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## Cold-Formed Steel Framing Design Guide

## Preface

This publication is intended as a guide for designers of cold-formed steel framing (CFSF) systems for buildings. CFSF products include cold-formed studs, joists, rafters, trusses and miscellaneous bracing and connection components. They may be stick built on site as individual members or panelized into pre-assembled systems for walls, floors or roofs.

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## Scope and Purpose of the Guide

This guide has been prepared to assist practicing structural engineers to design coldformed steel framing (CFSF) systems. This is the second edition of the Guide – the first was published January 2002 *(AISI 2002a)*.

A general review of the basic structural principles is provided along with a number of detailed design examples covering wind bearing and axial load bearing stud walls and joists. The design examples are based on the 2001 North American Specification for the Design of Cold Formed Steel Structural Members *(AISI 2001a)* and the Supplement 2004 to the North American Specification *(AISI 2004).* Reference is also made to ASCE 7-05 *(ASCE 2005)* and the 2006 International Building Code *(IBC 2006)*. The examples show how to translate the information available in load tables into complete structural systems. Both screwed and welded connection details are included with an emphasis on screwed. Useful information on the strength of commonly used concrete anchors and self-drilling screws is also included.

A number of methodologies are proposed to handle design problems not covered in the *AISI Specification*. These include a rational method to check the warping torsional stresses in channel members, an approximate method to check the bearing stresses under the bottom track of axial load bearing stud wall assemblies and a method to check the strength and stiffness of inner and outer top track assemblies for wind bearing applications.

A universal designator system for Cold-Formed Steel Framing (CFSF) members has been used throughout the Guide. This product identification method is described in Appendix I.

## Changes from the  $1<sup>st</sup>$  Edition of the Design Guide

The first edition of the Design Guide *(AISI 2002a)* has been completely rewritten to reflect improvements in the design of CFSF members and connections.

- The load combination factors as required by ASCE 2005 have been used including a 0.7 factor on wind for deflection calculations from IBC 2006.
- The design examples have been revised to conform to the latest design standards including the *AISI Specification (AISI 2001a)* and the *AISI Supplement (AISI 2004).* In addition, AISI/COFS standards have been used where applicable *(COFS 2004a, 2004b and 2004c)*.
- Powder actuated fasteners have been added to the examples.
- A single outer top track deflection detail has been added.
- A slide clip detail for connecting wind bearing jamb studs has been added.
- A design methodology for flat strap blocking-in has been provided.
- Design Example #2 has been expanded to include both welded and screwed connections.
- The design method for checking cantilevering stud deflections has been expanded.
- An alternative parapet design using cantilevering HSS posts has been added.
- The connection details in Design Example #4 have been converted from welded to screwed to reflect the more common practice.
- A jack stud has been added to the built-up jamb detail in Design Example #4.

## Load Tables

In the first edition of the Guide, the generic load tables prepared by the Steel Stud Manufacturers Association (SSMA) were used as the source for section properties and floor and wall load capacities. Generic tables based on the latest codes and standards *(AISI 2001a, AISI 2004, ASCE 2005 and IBC 2006)* were not available during preparation of this second edition and the output from industry standard software, AISIWIN1 *(Devco 2006)*, has been used instead. Thus in the design examples where reference is made to "load tables" or "manufacturer's tables", it is actually AISIWIN output that has been used. Note that the AISIWIN output is to the 2001 AISI Specification *(AISI 2001a)*  including the 2004 Supplement *(AISI 2004).*

 $\frac{1}{1}$  AISIWIN is an industry standard steel stud and joist software package prepared by Devco Software Inc.

## Other Sources of Information

There are a number of other valuable resource documents for the design of cold-formed steel structures. These are either referenced in the Design Guide or are available at the following websites:

- American Iron and Steel Institute (AISI) www.steel.org
- Association of the Wall and Ceiling Industries www.awci.org
- Center for Cold-Formed Steel Structures (CCFSS) www.umr.edu/~ccfss
- Cold-Formed Steel Engineers Institute (CFSEI) www.cfsei.org
- Steel Framing Alliance (SFA) www.steelframing.org
- Steel Stud Manufacturers Association (SSMA) www.ssma.com

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A number of individual engineers have also added their expertise to this project. Rob Madsen at Devco Engineering provided many helpful interpretations of industry practice on the West Coast. In addition, he authored the AISIWIN software package that was used during the preparation of the Guide and provided any needed technical support. Ed DiGirolamo and Nabil Rahman of the Steel Network and John Matsen of Matsen Ford Design Associates were also very helpful regarding practices in the East. In Canada, Scot McCavour at McCavour Engineering provided much practical and useful advice along with one of their in-house details *(Figure 3-17)*, and the willingness of Raymond van Groll at Atkins & van Groll Inc. to share his expertise has been gratefully received.

Lastly, many thoughtful comments were provided by the review committee from the AISI Committee on Specifications. The implementation of their ideas has improved the Guide considerably.

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## Introduction

## 1. Design Guide Focus

 This guide was written with a focus on the fundamental principles of coldformed steel design as they relate to CFSF construction. It shows how to use product literature published by the CFSF manufacturer when executing the design of building systems.

 It was necessary to focus on fundamentals because the versatility of CFSF construction makes an all inclusive design guide virtually impossible. By following the examples provided, the engineer should gain the confidence necessary to execute his own designs with the knowledge that there is nothing mysterious about cold-formed steel design. The same basic structural design principles that work with every other building material will also work with cold-formed steel framing.

 An intimate knowledge of the *AISI North American Specification for the Design of Cold-Formed Steel Structural Members with 2004 Supplement (AISI 2001a, AISI 2004)*, while desirable, is not essential. The examples focus on those areas of the *AISI Specification* that require the designer's attention. Much of the work has already been done during the preparation of product literature by the CFSF manufacturer with section properties and load tables calculated and ready to use in tabular form.

 In the Design Guide, the examples have been prepared with more detail than required for routine design. With experience, the designer will learn which secondary effects can be ignored to streamline the design process. In addition, the examples are not intended to preclude other design approaches and details. There are many satisfactory ways to design CFSF systems.

 Note that the Design Guide is almost entirely dedicated to hand calculation methods. Hand calculation is useful for illustration purposes but may not be the most efficient approach for routine design. Experienced practitioners automate the design process as much as possible typically by writing their own spreadsheet type programs or purchasing commercial cold-formed steel software packages or both.

## 2. LRFD Versus ASD

 The *AISI Specification* permits two different design approaches, Allowable Strength Design (ASD) or Load and Resistance Factor Design (LRFD). Either approach is acceptable but the CFSF industry continues to use the ASD approach almost exclusively. To reflect this practice, the Design Guide is based on ASD.

### 3. Loads

#### 3.1 Wind, Earthquake and Gravity Nominal Loads

The Design Guide does not attempt to interpret the wind and gravity load provisions in the various building codes. Instead, the nominal design wind and gravity loads are assumed.

#### 3.2 Load Combination Factors

The load combination factors for allowable strength design have been taken from ASCE 7-05 *(ASCE 2005)* Section 2.4. These load combination factors are consistent with the 2006 International Building Code *(IBC 2006).*

The deflection limit state for wall studs is checked for 0.7 times the nominal wind load *(for components & cladding)*. The 0.7 factor is taken from the AISI Standard for Cold-Formed Steel Framing - Wall Stud Design *(COFS 2004a)*.

### 4. Design Strengths for Cold-Formed Steel Framing Elements

#### 4.1 Member Design Strengths

Member capacities in the form of moment, shear, and web crippling design strengths and moments of inertia for checking deflection are generally available in published load tables. These tables also typically contain load data for wind and axial load bearing studs and roof and floor joists.

For this edition of the Guide, the allowable spans, loads and section properties have been derived using AISIWIN which is an industry standard software product. 2 The output from AISIWIN *(Devco 2006)* conforms to the latest requirements of the *AISI Specification (AISI 2001a)* and the *AISI Supplement (AISI 2004).* The increase in strength due to cold work of forming has been included for flexure where applicable.

Unless note otherwise, the following yield and tensile strength values for both stud and track have been used.

- For thicknesses less than or equal to 0.0451",  $F_y = 33$  ksi and  $F_u = 45$  ksi.
- For thicknesses greater than 0.0451",  $F_v = 50$  ksi and  $F_u = 65$  ksi.

These assumed yield and tensile strength values are common for stud whereas track is more typically available with a yield strength of 33 ksi for all

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*<sup>2</sup> For the first edition of the CFSF Guide, the allowable spans, loads and section properties were taken from the Steel Stud Manufacturers Association (SSMA) generic load tables. However, at the time of writing, the SSMA tables were not updated to the latest version of the AISI Specification (AISI 2001a) and the AISI Supplement (AISI 2004)*. *In the interests of having all data to the latest standards, the output from AISIWIN has been used instead.* 

thicknesses. Check with the local CFSF manufacturers before specifying track with a yield strength of 50 ksi – a special order may be required.

Occasionally, a designer may wish to derive a member capacity when published values are to be confirmed or when confronted with a special case. Member design is covered by the *AISI Specification (AISI 2001a)* and the *AISI Supplement (AISI 2004)* which include provisions for local buckling, members in tension, bending, compression and combined axial load and bending. A commentary is also available *(AISI 2001b).* For axially loaded wall studs clad with imperfect sheathing (i.e. sheathing that does not completely restrain the studs), refer to COFS 2004a. Lastly, the American Iron and Steel Institute publishes the AISI Manual, Cold-Formed Steel Design *(AISI 2002b)* which contains additional helpful information including computational aids, supplementary formulas, worked examples for beams columns and connections, properties of steels, and test procedures.

Note that the design expressions in the *AISI Specification* do not include members subject to torsional loading between bracing points. For this case, the *AISI Specification* requires testing (Section F) or rational analysis.

#### 4.2 Member Design Strength as a Function of Bracing

CFSF members, whether studs or joists, rely on supplementary bracing to resist lateral instability, weak axis buckling and the torsion resulting from loads not applied through the shear center.

4.2.1 Bracing for Wind Bearing Studs

Wind loads are transferred to studs by sheathing materials or by connectors such as brick ties. These loads are typically eccentric with respect to the shear center of the stud and torsion therefore results. Figure I(a) illustrates the torsional eccentricity for the case of sheathing loading the top flange of a joist. Figure I(b) illustrates a larger torsional



eccentricity more typical for wall studs with an old style wrap around brick tie or for sheathing attachment when the screw is in tension.

Three types of bracing are commonly used to resist the torsional component of the load and the tendency of the studs to buckle laterally. These are illustrated in Figures II, III and IV.

The through-the-punchout bridging in Figure II is designed to form a rigid moment connection between the stud and the continuous bridging channel. The torsion in any individual stud is resisted by the major axis bending strength of the bridging channel and the neighboring studs.



FIGURE II

Advantages:

- Periodic anchorage of the bridging to the structure is not as critical as with face bridging (anchorage is only required to resist translation – not rotation).
- Bridging is easily installed from one side.
- Provides support for batt type insulations.

Disadvantages:

- Pre-punched web punchouts must align.
- Each connection requires a clip angle and a minimum of 4 screws or welding.
- Not as stiff as face bridging particularly in thinner material.

The steel strap face bridging in Figure III is designed to act only in tension. Because the studs all have a tendency to twist in the same direction, the straps must be periodically anchored to the primary structure and/or blocking-in between the studs is required every few stud spaces as required structurally.



Advantages:

- Stiffest form of bridging even if installed with some initial slackness *(Miller 1989 and Drysdale 1991)*.
- Requires only 2 screws per stud (i.e. 1 screw per flange) or welding.
- Can be installed independently of web punchouts.

Disadvantages:

- To install the bridging, access is required to both sides of the wall assembly (unless connections are welded).
- Bridging forces accumulate over a number of studs and periodic anchorage or blocking-in is required.
- Tension straps are prone to field abuse.

Sheathing as bracing is illustrated in Figure IV. The sheathing may be steel, plywood, cementitious or gypsum wallboard, stucco on lath, waferboard, etc. with the most common being gypsum wallboard. Note that industry practice is to supplement sheathings with a minimum amount of steel bridging in order to align members and to provide the necessary structural integrity during erection and in the completed structure.



FIGURE IV

Advantages:

- Sheathings provide near continuous support to the studs.
- The diaphragm strength of sheathings transfers bracing forces to the top and bottom tracks.

• Sheathings are usually required to satisfy architectural or building science considerations and are available to act as bracing at little or no additional cost.

Disadvantages:

- Sheathings must be installed on both sides of the stud (or on one side supplemented by steel bridging on the other).
- Gypsum wallboard sheathings will restrain studs in thinner material (0.0346") but may require supplementary steel bridging to effectively restrain studs in thicker material *(Drysdale 1991)*.
- When subjected to wetting, the bracing performance of gypsum wallboard sheathings deteriorates significantly *(Drysdale 1991)*.
- Since the sheathings transfers bracing forces to the top and bottom tracks, the tracks must be designed to accept these forces. These forces are easily removed with typical bottom track detailing but require consideration where slip track type detailing is used at the top.

Allowable height tables for wind bearing studs typically assume that the studs are clad with perfect sheathings on both sides. These sheathings are assumed to completely restrain the studs laterally with no consideration given to lateral instability or secondary torsional stresses. When using such load tables, care is required to insure that this assumption can be achieved in practice. See Note I.

*Note I* 

*If sheathings are absent or cannot be relied on to act as a structural brace, then the typical sheathed manufacturers' load tables can still be used provided there is sufficient steel bridging so that the effects of lateral-torsional buckling and the secondary stresses due to torsion can be neglected.* 

#### 4.2.2 Bracing for Axial Load Bearing Studs

Axial load bearing studs resist both wind and axial loads.

With the superposition of wind and axial loads, bracing is required to provide lateral buckling and torsional restraint for wind *(discussed previously under 4.2.1)* as well as column buckling restraint about the weak axis. Typical bracing types are illustrated in Figures II, III and IV.

Both the through-the-punchout and face bridging in Figures II and III are designed to resist the torsional component of the load and the tendency of the studs to buckle laterally for wind. In addition, they must also prevent weak axis buckling of the studs due to axial loads. These weak axis bracing forces accumulate over a number of studs and the bridging, therefore, requires periodic anchorage to the primary structure. Figure V illustrates a common method for transferring bridging forces to the structure through the use of steel flat strap cross bracing.

An alternative design method is to rely on the shear diaphragm strength of the sheathings, Figure IV, to transfer to the accumulating bridging forces to the top and bottom tracks while any individual stud is designed as an all steel subsystem with no reliance on the sheathing. This design approach is based on the concept that the sheathings may be locally damaged or ineffective and therefore unable to support an individual stud but still structurally adequate over a length of wall to serve as a shear diaphragm.



BRACING FOR AXIAL LOAD BEARING STUDS

**FIGURE V** 

The Standard for Cold-Formed Steel Framing – Wall Stud Design *(COFS 2004a)* proposes another sheathing braced design approach where the sheathings are adequate to act alone without the benefit of steel bridging (although bridging is required for short term loading in the absence of sheathing). The capacity of the stud is limited by a number of strength limit states with the local strength of the sheathing to stud connection frequently controlling. With the exception of residential construction, this design approach has not been widely used by the stud industry for a number of reasons:

- The design expressions do not give credit to the presence of supplementary steel bridging which is typically installed in order to align members and to provide the necessary structural integrity during erection and in the completed structure.
- Provided there is adequate steel bridging, this sheathing approach can produce a lower capacity than an all steel approach.
- The most popular sheathing, gypsum wallboard, is seen by some as too moisture and load cycle sensitive to act as a reliable structural brace for the service life of a structure.
- The design method does not recognize that the sheathing and the sheathing to stud fasteners may already be doing other structural work. This other structural work might include sheathings used as the diaphragm elements in shearwalls; sheathings used to resist torsion in studs and sheathings used as air barriers.
- The design method does not provide a minimum length of sheathing for a wall segment. Very short lengths of wall may not perform as well as predicted.

Load tables for axial load bearing studs typically assume one of three possible bracing conditions:

- (i) The studs are clad with perfect sheathings which completely restrain the studs laterally and only allow column buckling about the stud major axis. When using such load tables, care is required to insure that this assumption can be achieved in practice.
- (ii) The studs are designed with an all steel approach with no reliance on sheathings. Overall major axis column buckling is checked along with minor axis flexural and torsional-flexural effects between the lines of bridging. The secondary stresses due to wind induced torsion are usually considered to be small enough to be neglected. *(Very few load tables explicitly account for warping torsional stresses.)*
- (iii) The studs are clad with imperfect sheathings and designed in accordance with the Standard for Cold-Formed Steel Framing – Wall Stud Design *(COFS 2004a)*

#### 4.2.3 Bracing for Joists and Rafters

Joists and rafters are typically designed neglecting torsion and lateral instability effects because sheathings such as plywood subfloors in combination with finished ceilings provide the necessary diaphragm strength. Where sheathing is absent on one or both sides, bridging is usually required to prevent twisting.

In any case, it is standard practice in the industry to supply a minimum amount of bridging to align members and to provide the necessary structural integrity during construction as well as in the completed structure. Load tables for joists and rafters typically assume complete restraint by top and bottom sheathings.

#### 4.3 Design Strengths for Connections

4.3.1 Welds

The unit strengths of fillet and flare groove welds are defined in the *AISI Specification* Sections E2.4 and E2.5. The unit strength is a function of the weld type, the weld length and the direction of loading.

The design examples in this document use a simplified conservative approach outlined in Appendix A.

#### 4.3.2 Screws

The design strength for sheet metal and self-drilling screw connections is defined in the *AISI Specification*. Analytical expressions are provided with the exception of the shear and tensile strength of the screw itself. These tensile and shear strengths are provided in Appendix A.

#### 4.3.3 Concrete Anchors and Fasteners

Suggested design values for three proprietary types of anchors are presented in Appendix B.

## Design Example #1 Wind Bearing Infill Wall with Screwed Connections and a Sheathed Design Approach

## Introduction

This design example is based on the sheathed design approach which assumes that the sheathing is structurally adequate to resist the torsional component of loads not applied through the shear center and to resist the effects of lateral instability. Members are designed using simple beam theory. All connections are fastened with self-drilling screws.

For welded connections and an unsheathed design approach, see Design Example #2 where the secondary effects of torsion and lateral instability are included.

Figure 1-1 shows the components of a wind bearing infill wall assembly. The numbers shown in Figure 1-1 correspond to the applicable design step used in this example The basic design steps are as follows:

Step 1: Given

Step 2: Design Wind Load Step 3: Typical Stud Selection Step 4: Bottom and Inner Top Track Step 5: Window Framing Members Step 6: Final Stud and Track Member Selection Step 7: Top Track Deflection Detail Step 8: Connection Design

## Step 1 – Given

- EIFS (exterior insulation finish system) exterior finish that applies a uniform load to the studs.
- Stud spacing  $= 16$ " o.c.
- Stud height =  $13'-0$ "
- Interior and exterior sheathings provide adequate torsional restraint for loads not applied through the shear center and for lateral instability.
- No axial loads other than the self weight of the assembly.
- L/360 deflection limit
- Stud depth  $= 6$ " for architectural considerations

## Step 2 – Design Wind Load

From the governing building code, the nominal wind load  $= \pm 28$  psf.

Load combination factors for allowable strength design (ASD) are based on ASCE 7-05 *(ASCE 2005)* Section 2.4. For strength, the full nominal wind load is used. For deflection, 0.7 times the nominal wind load is used. For further discussion refer to the Introduction Item 3.2.

Design wind load for strength =  $1.00(28) = \pm 28$  psf Design wind load for deflection =  $0.7(28) = \pm 19.6$  psf



## Step 3 – Typical Stud Selection

Refer to a manufacturer's wind bearing stud allowable height table with the following details:

- Height =  $13'-0$ "
- Spacing =  $16"$  o.c.
- Nominal wind load = 28 psf
- Deflection limit =  $L/360$

*Note that typical wind bearing tables include checks on the following:* 

- *Deflection check at 0.7 times nominal wind load*
- *Midspan moment check at nominal wind load*
- *End shear check at nominal wind load*
- *Web crippling may or may not be flagged in the allowable height tables*

Try 600S162-43 (33) stud

*(Note: 600S162-43 (33) is a universal designator system adopted by CFSF manufacturers for their products. For a description of the system, see Appendix J.)* 

From manufacturer's tables – conservatively choose the next highest nominal wind load  $=$  30 psf

 $H_{MAX} = 15' - 4'' > 13' - 0''$  *OK* 

Web crippling is flagged and therefore needs to be checked. *(See Note 1-1)*

#### *Note 1-1*

*For a typical stud to track connection (welded or screwed), the allowable web crippling strength of the stud is adequately predicted by the AISI Specification*  Eq. C3.4.1-1 assuming a nominal bearing length of 1 inch (Drysdale 1991) *provided there is at least that much bearing between the stud and the vertical leg of the track. For this web crippling calculation to be valid, web punchouts are not permitted near the end of the stud. Load tables typically set the distance from the centerline of the last punchout to the end of the stud at 12" minimum. Punchouts closer than 12" to the end of the stud may or may not result in a reduction to the allowable web crippling strength. Refer to the AISI Specification web crippling provisions for guidance.* 

*Recent research on the stud to track connection has resulted in a revised fastened EOF web crippling expression available in COFS 2004a. The COFS web crippling equation predicts higher capacities than the AISI equivalent used here.* 

Required  $P_{ext} = 0.5$  wL (spacing/12)  $= 0.5(28)(13)(16/12)$  $= 243$  lb.  $OK$ 

From tables for 1" bearing length and end one flange (EOF) fastened condition:

 $P_{\text{all}} = 259 \text{ lb.} > 243 \text{ lb.}$  *OK* 

### Step 4 – Bottom and Inner Top Track

The Standard for Cold-Formed Steel Framing - Wall Stud Design *(COFS 2004a)* provides a design procedure for checking local failure (tear through) of the track. The COFS standard does not require this failure mechanism to be checked when the thickness of the track is greater than or equal to the thickness of the stud.

Try a track that is thinner than the typical stud – 600T125-33 (33) track.

From the previous step: Required  $P_{ext}$  = 243 lb. Check track tear through using COFS 2004a C4.2(b)

 $P_{\text{nst}} = 0.6 t_t w_{st} F_{ut}$ 

where:  $P_{\text{nst}}$  = nominal strength for stud to track connection when subjected to transverse loads  $t_t$  = design track thickness  $w_{st}$  = 20 t<sub>t</sub> + 0.56 $\alpha$  ( $\alpha$  = 1 when t<sub>t</sub> is in inches and  $\alpha$  = 25.4 when t<sub>t</sub> is in mm)  $F_{ut}$  = tensile strength of the track  $\Omega$  = 1.70 For 600T125-33 (33)

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t_{t} = 0.0346u
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F_{ut} = 45 \text{ ksi}
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$$
P_{nst} = 0.6(0.0346)[20(0.0346) + 0.56(1)](45)(1000)
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= 1170 \text{ lb.}
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P_{all} = P_{nst} / \Omega = 1170/1.70
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= 688 \text{ lb.} > 243 \text{ lb.}
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Therefore, 600T125-33 (33) track is acceptable for typical stud tear through. For a discussion of final track selection see Step 6.

## Step 5 – Window Framing Members

Distribution of wind loads on glass to supporting members.

The transfer of wind loads from the window assembly to the surrounding stud framing is a complicated issue depending on the structural behavior of the window itself and the connection of the window to the surrounding CFSF members.

It is generally sufficient to assume either a 4-way or a 2-way wind load distribution as illustrated in Figure 1-2.

For this example:

Height  $= 6.50 \over 3.25 = 2.00$  for glass and the two way distribution is appropriate. Width

See Note 1-2.







#### *Note 1-2*

*A 2-way wind load distribution (Fig. 1-2) is usually adequate for windows with a height/width ratio greater than or equal to 2. This design example was also checked with a 4 way distribution (calculations not included here) indicating the following "errors" in the 2 way assumption:* 

 *Differences Between 4-Way and 2-Way Assumption*



*Note that the as-built behavior of the window sill, head and jamb CFSF framing may vary from either the 2-way or 4-way assumption depending on both the structural behavior of the window itself and the as-built connection of the window to the surrounding CFSF members. Designing for the actual load transfer details around windows is complicated, often not known at the time of stud design and usually not required.* 

#### Step 5(a) – Aluminum Mullion Loading



FIGURE 1-3

#### Step 5(b) – Sill and Head Track Design



FIGURE 1-4

Required Moment

$$
M_{req} = \frac{PL}{4} + \frac{WL^2}{8}
$$
  
=  $\left[ \frac{296(6.5)}{4} + \frac{45.5(6.5)^2}{8} \right] \left[ \frac{12}{1000} \right]$   
= 8.66 in.kips

Required Shear

$$
V_{\text{req}} = 296 \text{ lb.}
$$

Required Inertia

$$
\delta = \frac{PL^3}{48EI} + \frac{5wL^4}{384EI}
$$
  
= 
$$
\left[ \frac{296 (78)^3}{48 (29.5)(10^6)I} + \frac{5(45.5/12)(78)^4}{384 (29.5)(10^6)I} \right] [0.70]
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{0.1128}{I}
$$

For deflection limit = L/360

$$
\delta = 78 / 360 = 0.217 \text{ in.}
$$

$$
I_{\text{req}} = \frac{0.1128}{0.217} = 0.520 \text{ in}^4
$$

Try 600T125-43 (33) track



Reinforced window head for gravity loads – see Figures 1-6A and 1-6B.

The 600T125-43 (33) track has adequate major axis strength to resist wind loads. Some strengthening may be required, however, to resist the tendency for the window head to sag under the weight of the wall assembly above. The sagging will be further aggravated by the friction between the inner and outer top track when some relative slab movement occurs. The inner top track *(if the inner and outer top track deflection detail is used as shown in Figure 1-12)* cannot be relied on as a stiffening element because it may not be continuous over the window.

On narrow windows the sagging is insignificant and can be ignored. On wider windows a lintel may be required. Note that with the inherent stiffness of welded construction sagging is less of a concern.

For windows of intermediate width the window head reinforcement detail shown in Figure 1-6A may suffice. The detail in Figure 1-6B is appropriate for wide windows.

For this window try creating a built-up section as in Figure 1-6A. Assume the additional stud and track sections resist gravity load and the remaining track section resists wind.

Weight of EIFS wall assembly above window head = 9 psf (assumed)





FIGURE 1-6B

Required moment (dead load only)

$$
M_{req} = \frac{wL^{2}}{8}
$$
  
=  $\left[\frac{3.25(9)(6.5)^{2}}{8}\right] \left[\frac{12}{1000}\right] = 1.85 \text{ in.kips}$ 

Required inertia (dead load only)

$$
\delta = \frac{5 \text{wL}^4}{384 \text{EI}}
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{5(3.25)(9/12)(78)^4}{384(29.5)(10^6)1}
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{0.0398}{1}
$$

For deflection limit  $= L/360$  say

$$
\delta = 78 / 360 = 0.217 \text{ in.}
$$
  
I<sub>req</sub> =  $\frac{0.0398}{0.217} = 0.183 \text{ in}^4$ 

Try 600T125-43 (33) track plus 600S162-43 (33) stud

As an approximation, assume the reinforcing stud acts alone for strength. For deflection, assume the inertia is given by the simple addition of the weak axis properties of the reinforcing stud and track.



$$
I_{y(\text{def})} \approx \text{fully effective weak axis inertia for stud and track}
$$
  
= 0.148 + 0.044 = 0.192 in<sup>4</sup> > 0.183 in<sup>4</sup> *OK*

Note that the fully effective (unreduced for local buckling) weak axis inertias have been used for the deflection check since manufacturers' tables rarely show effective weak axis inertias appropriate for deflection calculation. This is an unconservative assumption but adequate given the additional stiffening from attached sheathings and the inner top track (even if discontinuous over the window) not accounted for here.

In Figure 1-6B sag is resisted by the major axis strength and stiffness of 2 - 600S162-43 (33) (the typical stud):

$$
I_{y(\text{def})} = 2(2.32) = 4.64 \text{ in}^4 \gg 0.183 \text{ in}^4
$$

#### Step 5(c) – Jamb Stud Design



FIGURE 1-7

The loading on the jamb stud is shown in Figure 1-7.

 $w_1 = (1.33/2)(28) = 18.6$  lb/ft  $w_2 = (3.25/2)(28) = 45.5$  lb/ft  $P = 296$  lb. (head/sill reaction)

Required Moment (*maximum at midspan*)

$$
M_{req} = [565(6.5) - 296(3.25) - 18.6(6.50)(3.25) - 45.5(3.25)(1.625)] [12/1000] = 24.9 \text{ in.kips}
$$

Required Shear and Web Crippling

$$
V_{\text{req}} = 565 \, \text{lb.}
$$

Required Inertia

Approximate deflections by replacing partial uniformly distributed load with a point load,  $P_1$ , as shown in Figure 1-8.



FIGURE 1-8

 $P = 296$  lb.  $P_1 = 6.50(45.5) = 296$  lb.  $w_1 = 18.6$  lb/ft  $L = 156$  in. (span length)  $a = 39$  in. (distance from support to P)

$$
\delta = \frac{5w_1L^4}{384EI} + \frac{P_1L^3}{48EI} + \frac{Pa}{24EI} \left(3L^2 - 4a^2\right)
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{0.70}{29.5(10^6)I} \left[ \frac{5(18.6/12)(156)^4}{384} + \frac{296(156)^3}{48} + \frac{296(39)[3(156)^2 - 4(39)^2]}{24} \right]
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{1.603}{I}
$$

Note that by computer

$$
\delta_{exact} = \frac{1.542}{I}
$$

Therefore, replacing the partial UDL with a point load is conservative by 4.0%.

For a deflection limit of L/360,  $\delta = 13(12)/360 = 0.433$  in.

Using the exact solution:

$$
I_{req} = \frac{1.542}{0.433} = 3.56 \text{ in}^4
$$

#### Possible Built-up Member Configurations

See Figures 1-9, 1-10 and 1-11.





#### Step 5(d) – Jamb Selection

The calculations for the jamb selection are summarized in Table 1-1.

This table is based on the design approximation that the allowable moment and inertia of the built-up sections are the simple addition of the component parts. See Note 1-3 for an alternative approach.

Note that the track section used as part of the built-up member will exceed 10'-0" in length which may require a special order. Check with the local manufacturers. For studs a punched section is assumed for allowable shear, allowable moment and inertia. The track is not punched.



Built-up Section A: Unsatisfactory for web crippling.

Built-up Section B: *OK* Built-up Section C: *OK* Built-up Section D: Unsatisfactory for web crippling.

Built-up section D consists of two back to back studs reinforced with a track section that does not transfer any end shear *(see the back to back alternative Figure 1-10*). The allowable web crippling strength,  $P_{ext}$ , of two studs connected back to back is actually greater than two times the web crippling strength for a single stud. Refer to the *AISI Specification* Section C3.4.1 and the following calculations:

$$
P_{all} = \frac{C t^2 F_y \sin \theta}{\Omega} \left( 1 - C_R \sqrt{\frac{R}{t}} \right) \left( 1 + C_N \sqrt{\frac{N}{t}} \right) \left( 1 - C_h \sqrt{\frac{h}{t}} \right)
$$

Choose coefficients for built-up sections and end one flange loading. Coefficients and safety factors are the same for fastened and unfastened conditions.

R = 0.0712" t = 0.0451" Depth = 6" h = Depth - 2t - 2R = 5.767" N = 1" Fy = 33 ksi θ = 90 degrees C = 10 CR = 0.14 CN = 0.28 Ch = 0.001 Ω = 2.00 substituting

 $P_{all} = 0.634$  kips per web

For back to back  $P_{all} = 2(634) = 1268$  lb.  $> 565$  lb.  $OK$ 

Note that the track reinforcing for the built-up jamb stud may not be necessary in order to satisfy strength or stiffness requirements but is required to facilitate connections at the window head and sill and for the connection of the window frame itself.

It was noted earlier under typical bottom and inner top track that if the track thickness is equal to or greater than the thickness of the stud, then track tear through need not be checked. This conclusion is based on single stud to track connections and may not apply to studs back to back. However, the design expression in Step 4 for a single stud can be conservatively applied to the back to back case to check the track thickness.

From Step 4 for 600T125-33  
\n
$$
P_{\text{all}} = P_{\text{nst}} / \Omega = 688 \text{ lb.} > 565 \text{ lb.}
$$
Built-up Section E: Unsatisfactory for web crippling.

Two studs toe to toe are not recommended as a built-up member in screwed construction because it is difficult to effectively connect the studs together. This toe to toe configuration is only recommended in welded construction.

*Note 1-3* 

*As an alternative approach to built-up jamb member selection, the load, W, carried by each of the component parts can be apportioned according to the relative stiffness of the members. By equating deflections, the following formulas can be obtained:* 

$$
W_{STUD} = \frac{W_{TOTAL}}{1 + \frac{I_{X(TRACK)}}{I_{X(STUD)}}}
$$
  

$$
W_{TRACK} = W_{TOTAL} - W_{STUD}
$$

*This relative stiffness approach can produce more conservative results when moment controls the jamb selection. Usually, deflection or web crippling govern and the simple addition approach used here is adequate. When moment controls, the simple addition approach is likely still valid because the member that first reaches yield is assumed to shed any additional loading to the other parts of the built-up member that still have strength reserve. This assumption has not been confirmed by testing. Note that the relative stiffness approach does not apply to web crippling because the stud section(s) are assumed to carry all of the load for this case.* 

# Step 6 – Final Stud and Track Member Selection

# *Note 1-4*

*It can be impractical to mix different thicknesses of stud and different thicknesses of track on the same project - or at least on the same floor.* 

- *Mixed thicknesses can result in the wrong thickness in the wrong place on site.*
- *Manufacturers do not stock stud and track but rather they roll to order. By specifying one type of stud and track the delivery time is reduced and the cost premium for small production runs is eliminated.*

There is little justification for mixing thicknesses of stud and track on this project. See Note 1-4. The following member selections are therefore appropriate:



# Step 7 – Top Track Deflection Detail

Two different top track deflection details are proposed – an inner and outer top track (Figure 1-12) and a single top track (Figure 1-13)

In either case, the top track detail will be used to accommodate slab deflections (and the possible effect of column shortening) such that the studs are not loaded axially. This detail also accommodates construction tolerance in the slab to slab height such that the studs do not have to be custom cut to length on site. Allow for a construction tolerance of say  $\pm$  1/4" (The  $\pm$ 1/4" implies considerably better than average concrete tolerances on this project).

From the project structural engineer, the specified long-time slab deflection due to all sustained loads and the immediate deflection due to live load occurring after attachment of steel stud wall  $= 1/2$ " upper floor slab relative to lower floor slab and vice versa. The effect of column shortening is assumed to be negligible.

At the time of installation the deflection gap should be 3/4" plus or minus the construction tolerance of 1/4". This results in a minimum possible gap at the time of installation of 1/2" which as adequate to accommodate slab deflections above assuming the slab below does not deflect. Conversely, if the slab below deflects 1/2" and the slab above does not deflect then the maximum possible gap is  $3/4" + 1/4" + 1/2" = 1-1/2".$ See Figures 1-12 and 1-13.









# Step 7(a) – Inner and outer Top Track Deflection Detail with Concrete Screw Anchors

The deflection gap is taken as the clear distance between the head of the concrete screw anchor and the inner top track. The maximum total gap is given by  $1-1/2" + 3/16" = 1-$ 11/16". *(Note that wedge type expansion anchors are not practical in this application because the exposed portion of the fastener interferes too much with the deflection gap.)*

Assuming a minimum engagement of 3/4", then the leg of the outer top track must be  $1-11/16" + 3/4" = 2-7/16".$ 

The 1-11/16" maximum total gap is used in the calculations that follow to determine the thickness of the outer top track.

Summary:



One leg of the outer top track is assumed to be loaded uniformly by the inner top track which spreads the concentrated reactions from the studs.

This assumption is reviewed in Appendix E where the inner top track is analyzed as a beam on an elastic foundation (i.e. the outer top track).



FIGURE 1-14

Figure 1-14 illustrates the cantilever design assumption for the outstanding leg of the outer top track. Check the required track thickness.

 $=$  182 lb/ft of length for strength  $=(13/2)(28)$ w 2  $P = \left(\frac{\text{Stud Height}}{\sigma}\right)^2$ ⎠  $\left(\frac{\text{Stud Height}}{2}\right)$ ⎝  $=\int$ 

 $M_{req} = 1.6875P = 1.6875(182)$ = 307 in.lb/ft. of length

Assuming an elastic section modulus,  $F_y = 50$  ksi and a 1 foot length of track:

$$
\begin{array}{l} \rm M_{all}=(1/6)bt^2F_y/\Omega\\ \rm=(1/6)(12)t^2(50,000)/1.67\\ \rm=59900t^2\end{array}
$$

For  $M_{\text{all}} = M_{\text{req}}$ 

$$
t \ge \sqrt{\frac{307}{59900}} = 0.0716 \text{ in.}
$$

Use standard t = 0.0713 in. ( $\approx$  0.0716 in.) with F<sub>y</sub> = 50 ksi.

#### *Note 1-5*

- *1. The outer top tack has been sized using an elastic section modulus. If a plastic section modulus, Z=(1/4)bt2, had been used, the allowable moment, Mall, would have been 50% higher.*
- *1. This 50% reserve strength is required to offset the errors in the assumption that the inner top track loads the outer top track uniformly. See Appendix E.*
- 2. *Some manufacturers sell outer top track in*  $F_y = 33$  *ksi material which will increase the required thickness accordingly.*

Check the outer top track horizontal movement using the formula developed in Appendix D:

$$
\delta \ge \frac{P}{EI} \left[ \frac{L_2^2 L_1}{8} + \frac{L_2^3}{3} \right]
$$

where:

$$
P = \left(\frac{\text{Stud Height}}{2}\right) w
$$
  
= (13 / 2)(28)(0.7)  
= 127 lb. for deflection (per foot of length)

 $L_1$  = 6" (track width)  $L_2 = 1-11/16$ " (maximum gap)  $E = 29,500,000 \text{ psi}$ I =  $bt^3/12 = 12(0.0713)^3/12 = 0.362(10^{-3})$  in<sup>4</sup>/ft of length

Substituting into the above equation and solving gives:

δ ≥ 0.044" *(see Note 1-6)*

*Note 1-6* 

- *1. Deflections in the outer top track may be locally higher. See Appendices D and E*
- *2. No limit on* δ *is proposed however, horizontal movement in the top track detail should be expected and accounted for in the architectural detailing.*

Use 0.0713" thick outer top track with 2-7/16" leg length.

# *Note 1-7*

*Sheathings are used in this design example to brace the studs to resist the torsional component of loads not applied through the shear center and to resist the effects of lateral instability. These sheathing forces are transferred to the top and bottom tracks where they accumulate until the track is connected to the primary structure. Note in Figure 1-12 that the inner top track is not connected to the outer top track and transfer of the bracing forces to the structure requires special detailing. One choice is illustrated in Figure 2-23 with the last stud anchored to the shearwall or column. Alternatively, the inner and outer top track can be connected together (screws or welds) adjacent to shearwalls or columns where relative slab deflection and/or where the accumulative effect of column axial shortening is not expected to occur. Detail A on Figure 3-16 (or some variation) is another possible choice.* 

*This periodic anchorage of the inner top track is also worthwhile for racking resistance in the plane of the wall to resist seismic forces and construction abuse.* 

#### Step 7(b) – Inner and Outer Top Track Deflection Detail With Powder Actuated Fasteners

Powder actuated fasteners have a negligible head dimension when installed and no allowance for the head is required when detailing the deflection gap.

Deflection gap summary with powder actuated fasteners:



And assuming a minimum engagement of 3/4", the leg of the outer top track must be  $1-1/2$ " +  $3/4$ " =  $2-1/4$ ".

Reworking the track thickness calculations from Step 7(a) but with a cantilever leg length of 1-1/2" gives the following:

 $t = 0.0675$ " Use next standard design thickness =  $0.0713$ " with  $F_v = 50$  ksi. and reworking the outer top track horizontal movement calculations with  $t =$ 0.0713" and  $L_2 = 1-1/2$ " gives:

 $\delta \geq 0.033$ "

See Note 1-7.

# Step 7(c) – Single Top Track Deflection Detail

See Figure 1-13. Compared with the inner and outer top track detail the single outer top track has the following advantages and disadvantages:

Advantages

- Easier to install
- Fasteners that connect the top track to the primary structure can be inspected.
- Fasteners such as wedge type expansion anchors can be used since the fastener head does not interfere with the deflection gap.

Disadvantages

• The single top track deflection detail provides no torsional restraint to the top of the studs and a line of bridging is typically required close to the end of the stud. *(If through-the-knockout style bridging is used the bridging is typically* 

*located 12 inches from the end of the stud. Flat strap bridging can be closer to the end because there is no knockout to compromise web crippling capacity of the stud.)*

- Only a local portion of the top track is mobilized to resist a stud reaction. This is particularly an issue for larger jamb reactions where a supplementary slide clip might be required.
- The web crippling capacity of the stud may be lower.

The deflection gap summary will be the same as Step 7(b) except that the minimum engagement is increased to maintain web crippling capacity (calculations to follow).

Assuming a minimum engagement of 1 in., the leg of the outer top track must be  $1-1/2" + 1" = 2-1/2".$ 

The thickness of the single top track can be checked using the provisions of the Standard for Cold-Formed Steel Framing - Wall Stud Design *(COFS 2004a)*.

From Section C4.3 (COFS 2004*a*)  
\n
$$
P_{ndt} = \frac{w_{dt}t^2F_y}{4e}
$$
\nand  
\n
$$
w_{dt} = 0.11(\alpha^2)(e^{0.5}/t^{1.5}) + 5.5\alpha \le S
$$
\nwhere:  
\n
$$
P_{ndt} = \text{nominal strength of the deflection track when subjected to transverse loads}
$$
\n
$$
w_{dt} = \text{effective track length}
$$
\n
$$
S = \text{centre to centre spacing of studies}
$$
\n
$$
F_y = \text{design yield strength of track material}
$$
\n
$$
e = \text{design deflection gap}
$$
\n
$$
\alpha = 1 \text{ when } e, t \text{ and } S \text{ are in } \text{mm}
$$
\n
$$
\Omega = 2.80
$$

The above equations are valid within the following range of parameters:





In addition, the clear distance from the stud to the end of the track must be greater than or equal to  $w_{dt}/2$  *(Commentary COFS 2004a)*.

Note that the thickness of the track cannot be solved for directly - use trial and error.

For a typical stud with  $S = 16$ "  $P_{req} = (1/2)($ stud height $)(16/12)(28)$  $=(13/2)(16/12)(28)$ = 243 lb. per stud

Try t = 0.0872" with e = 1.5" (no fastener head clearance required) and  $F_v$  = 50 ksi

$$
w_{dt} = 0.11(1)^{2} (1.5^{0.5} / 0.0872^{1.5}) + 5.5(1)
$$
  
= 10.73 in. ≤ 16 in.  

$$
P_{ndt} = \frac{10.73(0.0872)^{2} (50)}{4(1.5)}
$$
  
= 0.680 kips  

$$
P_{all} = P_{ndt} / \Omega = 680/2.80
$$
  
= 243 lb. =  $P_{req}$ 

Use the next standard design thickness = 0.1017 in.

Note that this design thickness exceeds the 0.0713 in. limit in COFS 2004a. This extrapolation of the design equations is deemed acceptable under the rational analysis provisions of the *AISI Specification* Section A1.1 and the Ω = 2.80 is more conservative than the safety factor requirements of that section.

Note also that for the single top track deflection detail, no analytical method for checking serviceability is currently available.

Recheck stud web crippling in the top track.

The typical stud web crippling check (Step 3) was based on 1" of bearing length and the end one flange (EOF) fastened condition. The fastened approach is not permitted for single top track deflection details because both stud flanges are not connected to the track flanges. Web crippling therefore reverts to the expression in the *AISI Specification* for unfastened end one flange loading. See the *AISI Specification* Table C3.4.1-2.

$$
P_{all} = \frac{C t^2 F_y \sin \theta}{\Omega} \left( 1 - C_R \sqrt{\frac{R}{t}} \right) \left( 1 + C_N \sqrt{\frac{N}{t}} \right) \left( 1 - C_h \sqrt{\frac{h}{t}} \right)
$$

where:  $R = 0.0712$ "  $t = 0.0451"$ Depth  $= 6$ " h = Depth -  $2t - 2R = 5.767$ "  $N = 3/4"$  or  $1"$  $F_v$  = 33 ksi  $\theta$  = 90 degrees  $C = 4$  $C_R = 0.14$  $C_N = 0.35$  $C_h$  = 0.02  $\Omega$  = 1.85 (unfastened)

substituting

$P_{all} = 225$	lb. with N = 3/4"	
$= 245$	lb. with N = 1"	
and from the previous calculations:		
$P_{req} = 243$	lb. per stud > 225	lb. with N = 3/4"
$<$ 245	lb. with N = 1"	

Therefore use minimum engagement of 1" for the single top track deflection detail.

For a jamb stud, assume the single top track design provisions apply *(from Section C4.3 COFS 2004a),*

> From Step 5(c) the jamb reaction is:  $P_{req} = 565$  lb.  $t = 0.1017$  in.  $e = 1.5$  in.  $F_v = 50$  ksi Substituting gives:  $w_{dt} = 9.65$  in.  $P_{\text{ndt}} = 0.832$  kips  $P_r = P_{ndt} / \Omega = 832 / 2.80$ = 297 lb. < 565 lb. *UNSATISFACTORY*

The jamb stud overstresses the single top track. Provide a proprietary slide clip to connect the top of the jamb stud to the primary structure.

# Step 8 – Connection Design

Member selection has been based on the assumption that the inner and outer wall sheathings provide adequate torsional restraint for loads not applied through the shear center and for lateral instability.

Provided the sheathing acts as a brace, a number of connection details have no required forces to resist and the detailing of these connections is therefore based on industry practice rather than structural design. These details include bridging and stud to top and bottom track connections. Other connection details require engineering.

# Step 8(a) – Bridging

Space bridging in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations. A maximum spacing of 5'-0" o.c. is common and is used here. Therefore, for a 13'-0" span, two rows of bridging are required at third points.

Use 150U50-54 continuous through-the-punchout bridging channel with  $1-1/2$ " x  $1-1/2$ " x 0.0566" x 5-1/2" long clip angles at each stud. Connect bridging channel to clip angles and clip angles to studs with 2 - #10 self-drilling screws. The screw locations in the clip angles may be defined by pre-drilled pilot holes provided by the manufacturer. See Figure 2-12.

# Step 8(b) – Stud to Bottom Track Connection

Use #10 self-drilling screws with low profile heads to connect stud to track (flange to flange). See Figure 2-16.

# Step 8(c) – Stud to Inner Top Track Connection

Figure 1-15 illustrates the details for the stud to top track connection using self-drilling screws. See Note 1-8.

# *Note 1-8*

- *1. With welded construction, the long legged inner top track can be replaced with conventional track. The welds do not interfere with the sliding connection.*
- *2. Do not install drywall screws above the line of the #10-16 self-drilling screw shown; otherwise, the performance of the sliding connection will be impaired.*



Required inner top track leg length  $= 3/4$ <sup>n</sup> + 1-1/2<sup>n</sup> + 3/16<sup>n</sup> + 5/16<sup>n</sup> = 2-3/4<sup>n</sup>

FIGURE 1-15

# Step 8(d) – Built-up Jamb Stud Interconnection

The connection requirements for a track and stud jamb member are not defined in the *AISI Specification*. Experience in the field indicates that a connection spacing of 24" o.c. is adequate. The details are shown in Figure 1-16.





# Step 8(e) – Built-up Window Head Interconnection

The connection requirements shown in Figure 1-17 are similar to the built-up jamb. These fastener requirements would also apply to the alternative built-up window head in Figure 1-6B.



# Step 8(f) – Sill Track to Jamb Stud Connection

Figure 1-18 illustrates the details of the screwed sill track to jamb stud connection.



FIGURE 1-18

# *Note 1-9*

- *1. Minimum dimension for screw gun clearance varies depending on the manufacturer of the screw gun. A minimum of 5/8" is generally adequate.*
- *2. Choose angle one thickness heavier than the connected members but not less than 0.0566". This rule of thumb is intended to control deformation in the angle connector.*
- *3. It is generally good practice to install self-drilling screws through the thinner material into the thicker. This connection detail is an exception to the rule.*



The eccentricity of the connection is assumed to be resisted as illustrated in Figures 1-19 and 1-20. This is the most efficient distribution of the eccentric forces since the fasteners are only subjected to shear. Because of the symmetry of the connection, the required load and the allowable strength for all four screws is the same.

Sill track end shear  $=$  V  $=$  296 lb. See Step 5(b).

See Figures 1-19 and 1-20 for connection force distributions.

 $V = 296$  lb.  $V_1$  = 296/2 = 148 lb.  $V_2 = Ve/4 = 296(0.75)/4 = 55.5$  lb.

$$
V_{\text{req}} = \text{Shear resultant}
$$

$$
= \sqrt{V_1^2 + V_2^2} = 158 \text{ lb.}
$$

Determine screw shear capacities by AISI E4.3 assuming #10-16 self-drilling screws.

#### *Note 1-10*

*The AISI provisions in E4 are based on a statistical review of a large number of screw tests including a variety of screw types and connection details. The AISI Specification allows the use of test values in lieu of the design expressions in E4.* 

Screw design input values:



# Allowable shear

Screw allowable shear limited by E4.3.1 tilting and bearing

 $t_2/t_1 = 0.797 < 1.0$  therefore choose the governing  $P_{ns}$  from AISI Equations E4.3.1-1, E4.3.1-2 and E4.3.1-3.

 $P_{ns} = 2.7t_2 dF_{u2} = 1041$  lb.  $P_{ns} = 2.7t_1 dF_{u1} = 1887$  lb.  $P_{\text{ns}} = 4.2 (t_2^3 d)^{1/2} F_{u2} = 789 lb. - governs$ 

Gives:

$$
V_{\text{all}} = P_{\text{ns}} / \Omega = 789 / 3 = 263
$$
 lb.

Screw allowable shear limited by E4.3.2 end distance

 $e = 3/4$ " for angle and track with the thinner track governing. Conservatively assume that the resultant shear acts perpendicular to the end of the sill track.

 $P_{ns}$  = te $F_u$  $= 0.0451(0.75)(45)$ = 1.522 kips

Gives:

$$
V_{\text{all}} = P_{\text{ns}} / \Omega = 1522 / 3
$$

$$
= 507 \text{ lb.}
$$

Screw allowable shear limited by E4.3.3 shear in the screws themselves. Refer to the *AISI Supplement (AISI 2004)*

 $P_{ns} = P_{ss}$ 

Where  $P_{ss}$  = nominal shear capacity of screw. See Appendix A, Table A-1.

 $P_{ns} = P_{ss} = 1400$  lb.

Gives:

$$
V_{\text{all}} = P_{\text{ns}} / \Omega = 1400/3
$$
  
= 467 lb.

The governing  $V_{all}$  is from E4.3.1 and is given by:

 $V_{\text{all}} = 263 \text{ lb.} > 158 \text{ lb.}$  *OK* 

#### *Note 1-11*

*1. Add a stud under the connection to resist dead load and construction abuse at the time of window installation. See optional cripple stud in Figure 1-1. As a design alternative, this additional stud could also be designed to pick up the end reaction due to wind from the sill track and thereby eliminate the need for a clip angle connection. The connection between the sill track and the additional stud could be analyzed using the provisions of The Standard for Cold-Formed Steel Framing – Wall Stud Design (COFS 2004a) Section C4.2(c).* 

#### Step 8(g) – Built-up Head to Jamb Stud Connection

Provide angles top and bottom at window head to resist wind load plus dead load and construction abuse – particularly at the time of window installation.



FIGURE 1-21

#### Step 8(h) – Bottom Track to Concrete Connection

The bottom track to concrete connection *(see Figure 1-22)* is designed for both wedge type and screw type concrete anchors.



FIGURE 1-22

# *Note 1- 12*

- *1. Reference Drysdale 1991 recommends an anchor spacing less than or equal to 2'-8" o.c. regardless of the type of anchor used. This spacing is necessary to control local and overall track deformations.*
- *2. The bottom track anchor is assumed to be loaded in shear only with negligible pull-out due to prying.*

Applied load to bottom track

 $V_{req} = (1/2)(Stud Height)(28)$  $= (13/2)(28) = 182$  lb./ft. for strength

i) Alternative (a) – 1/4" diameter wedge type expansion anchor

Allowable shear - for load data see Appendix B.1 – Tables B.1-1 and B.1-2.

 $f_c' = 3000 \text{ psi}$ Edge distance  $= 3"$ 

Choose 2" embedment and no special inspection.

From Tables B.1-1 and B.1-2, interpolate between edge distances for allowable fastener shear. *(Interpolation is permitted – see Appendix B.1 Notes)*



Then  $V_{\text{all}}$  = 397 x (inspection factor)= 397 x (1.0)  $= 397$  lb.

Check Bearing by *AISI Specification* Section E3.3.1 (without consideration of bolt hole deformation)

 $P_n = m_f C dt F_u$  $d/t = 0.25/0.0451 = 5.54 < 10$ Therefore,  $C = 3$  $m_f = 0.75$  (without washer)  $P_n = 0.75(3)(0.25)(0.0451)(45)(1000)$  $= 1142$  lb.  $V_{\text{all}} = P_{\text{n}} / \Omega = 1142 / 2.50$  $= 457$  lb.

Vall = 397 lb. per fastener governs

Required fastener spacing  $=$   $(V<sub>all</sub> / V<sub>req</sub>)(12) = (397/182)(12)$  $= 26.2$ " o.c.

Use 24" o.c. < 2'-8" o.c. *(See Note 1-12) OK*

Fastener requirements at jamb studs

Vreq = jamb bottom reaction = 565 lb. *(from Step 5c)* 

Provide 2 fasteners adjacent to jamb

 $V_{\text{all}} = 2(397) = 794 \text{ lb.} > 565 \text{ lb.}$  *OK* 

Space fasteners at  $S_{cr} = 4-1/2$ " i.e. 2-1/4" either side of jamb.

Bottom track bending strength between fasteners

Assume simple span with worst case location of stud end reactions.



#### FIGURE 1-23

Stud reaction =  $P_{req}$  = (13/2)(16/12)(28) = 243 lb. (strength)

From standard beam diagrams – for 2 equal concentrated loads the moment is maximum with one of the loads located at midspan as in Figure 1-23.

 $M_{\text{req}} = P_{\text{req}} (L/4)$  $= 243(24/4)/1000$ = 1.46 in.kips

For 600T125-43 (33) track Mall = 9.11 in.kips >> 1.46 in.kips *OK*

ii) Alternative (b) – 1/4" diameter concrete screw anchor

See Appendix B.2, Table B.2-1 and B.2-2

 $f_c' = 3000 \text{ psi}$ Edge distance  $= 3$ "

Choose embedment depth  $= 1-1/2$ " and no special inspection.

Allowable shear

From Table B.2-2  $C_{cr}$  = 3" therefore no edge distance reduction factor

From Table B.2-1  $V_{\text{all}} = 400 \times ($ inspection factor) =  $400 \times (1.0)$  $= 400$  lb.

Bearing is OK from Step 8(h)i.

Required fastener spacing

Spacing = 
$$
(12)(V_{all} / V_{req})
$$

\n=  $(12)(400/182) = 26.4$ ° o.c.

\nUse spacing =  $24$ ° o.c.  $(See Note I-12)$ 

\nOK

Fastener requirements at jamb studs

Vreq = jamb bottom reaction = 565 lb. *(from Step 5c)*

Provide 2 fasteners adjacent to jamb

 $V_{\text{all}} = 2(400) = 800 \text{ lb.} > 565 \text{ lb.}$  *OK* 

Space fasteners at  $S_{cr}$  = 4" – i.e. 2" either side of jamb.

iii) Alternative (c) – 0.145" diameter powder actuated fastener

Allowable shear - for load data see Appendix B.3 – Table B.3-1.

 $f_c' = 3000 \text{ psi}$ Edge distance  $= 3$ "

Choose 1-1/4" embedment.

From Tables B.3-1 interpolate between concrete strengths for allowable fastener shear. *(Interpolation is assumed to apply - not explicitly allowed by ICC Evaluation Report No. ER-1663.)*



Then  $V_{all}$  = 270 lb.

Check Bearing by *AISI Specification* Section E3.3.1 (without consideration of bolt hole deformation). *(Assume the provisions for bolt bearing apply to PAF's.)*

 $P_n = m_f C dt F_u$ 

 $d/t = 0.145/0.0451 = 3.22 < 10$ Therefore,  $C = 3$ 

 $m_f$  = 0.75 (without washer)

 $P_n = 0.75(3)(0.145)(0.0451)(45)(1000)$  $= 662$  lb.

$$
V_{\text{all}} = P_{\text{n}} / \Omega = 662 / 2.50
$$
  
= 265 lb.

Vall = 265 lb. per fastener governs

Required fastener spacing  $=$   $(V_{\text{all}} / V_{\text{req}})(12) = (265/182)(12)$  $= 17.3$ " o.c.

Use 16" o.c. < 2'-8" o.c. *(See Note 1-12) OK*

Fastener requirements at jamb studs

Vreq = jamb bottom reaction = 565 lb. *(from Step 5c)* 

Provide 3 fasteners adjacent to jamb

 $V_{\text{all}} = 3(265) = 795 \text{ lb.} > 565 \text{ lb.}$  *OK* 

Space fasteners at  $S_{cr}$  = 4" o.c.



#### Step 8(i) – Inner and Outer Top Track to Concrete Connection



#### *Note 1-13*

- *1. The maximum anchor spacing of 2'-8" o.c. recommended in Reference 1 applies to bottom track. For top track, this recommended maximum spacing is reduced to 2'-0" to account for the absence of torsional restraint from the studs. This 2'-0" recommendation is based on engineering judgement and has not been confirmed by testing.*
- *2. The anchor is loaded in shear and pull-out due to prying.*
- *3. Do not place bottom reinforcing steel along the line of the concrete anchors.*
- *4. Wedge type expansion anchors are not practical in this application because the exposed portion of the fastener interferes too much with the deflection gap.*
- *5. Unlike the bottom track condition, extra fasteners are not required at jamb studs because of load spreading by the inner top track.*

Applied load to top track

 $V_{\text{req}} = (1/2)(\text{Stud Height})(28)$ = (13/2)(28) = 182 lb./ft. for strength

Taking moments about "a" Figure 1-25 gives:

 $T_{req} = 182(1.6875/3.00) = 102.4$  lb/ft.





i) Alternative (a) – 1/4" diameter concrete screw anchor

See Appendix B.2, Tables B.2-1 and B.2-2.

 $f_c' = 3000 \text{ psi}$ Edge distance = 3"

Choose embedment depth = 1-1/2" and no special inspection.

Allowable shear

From Step 8(h)(ii),  $V_{all}$  = 400 lb.

Allowable tension

From Table B.2-2  $C_{cr}$  = 2-1/2" therefore no edge distance reduction factor

From Table B.2-1  $T<sub>all</sub> = 400 x (in։$  $= 200$  lb.

Check interaction using equation from Appendix B.2 Note 5 with s = fastener spacing in feet:

$$
\left(\frac{sT}{T_{all}}\right) + \left(\frac{sV}{V_{all}}\right) \le 1.0
$$

Substituting and solving for "s":

$$
\left(\frac{\text{s }102.4}{200}\right) + \left(\frac{\text{s }182}{400}\right) \le 1.0
$$
  
s = 1.03'  
Use 12' o.c.

ii) Alternative (b) – 0.145" diameter powder actuated fastener

For this case the deflection gap is reduced to 1-1/2" because there is no fastener head interference. See Figure 1-26 and the caution in Note 1-14.

 $V_{\text{req}} = 182 \text{ lb/ft}$ Treq = 182(1.50/3.00) = 91 lb/ft *(moments about "a")*



FIGURE 1-26

#### *Note 1-14*

*1. From Reference ASCE 2005 Section 13.4.5 – Power actuated fasteners shall not be used for tension load applications in Seismic Design Categories D, E, and F unless approved for such loading.* 

Allowable shear and tension – for load data see Appendix B.3 – Table B.3-1.

 $f_c' = 3000 \text{ psi}$ Edge distance  $= 3"$ 

Choose 1-1/4" embedment.

Allowable shear

From Step 8(h)iii Vall = 270 lb. will control *(bearing does not control in this material thickness by inspection)* 

Allowable tension

From Tables B.3-1 interpolate between concrete strengths for allowable fastener tension. *(Interpolation is assumed to apply - not explicitly allowed by ICC Evaluation Report No. ER-1663.)*



Then  $T_{all}$  = 170 lb.

Check interaction equation from Table B.3-1 Note 3 with s = fastener spacing in feet:

$$
\left(\frac{\text{sT}}{\text{T}_{\text{all}}}\right) + \left(\frac{\text{sV}}{\text{V}_{\text{all}}}\right) \le 1.0
$$

Substituting and solving for "s":

$$
\left(\frac{\text{s }91}{170}\right) + \left(\frac{\text{s }182}{270}\right) \le 1.0
$$
  
s = 0.831'  
Use 10" o.c.

Note that powder actuated fasteners have relatively small head diameters and pull-over and the interaction of shear and pull-over should be checked as possible limit states. Check for the 10" o.c. fastener spacing.

 $V_{req} = (10/12)(182) = 152$  lb. per fastener  $T_{req} = (10/12)(91) = 75.8$  lb. per fastener

Assume the pull-over provisions for screws apply to powder actuated fasteners. See the *AISI Specification* Section E4.4.2.

$$
P_{nov} = 1.5t_1d_wF_{u1}
$$
  
where:  
 $t_1 = 0.0713''$  (outer top track)  
 $d_w = 0.322''$  (fastener head diameter Table B.3-1)  
 $F_{u1} = 65$  ksi  
 $P_{nov} = 1.5(0.0713)(0.322)(65)(1000)$   
= 2240 lb.  
 $P_{all} = P_{nov} / \Omega = 2240/3$   
= 747 lb. > 75.8 lb.

Check interaction for combined shear an pull-over using *AISI Supplement (AISI 2004)* Section 4.5.

$$
\frac{Q}{P_{ns}} + 0.71 \frac{T}{P_{nov}} \le \frac{1.10}{\Omega}
$$
  
\n
$$
Q = V_{req} = 152 \text{ lb.}
$$
  
\n
$$
T = T_{req} = 75.8 \text{ lb.}
$$
  
\n
$$
P_{ns} = 2.7t_1 dF_{u1} = 2.7(0.0713)(0.145)(65)(1000)
$$
  
\n
$$
= 1814 \text{ lb.}
$$
  
\nand from above  
\n
$$
P_{nov} = 2240 \text{ lb.}
$$
  
\n
$$
\frac{152}{1814} + \frac{(0.71)(75.8)}{2240} \le \frac{1.10}{3}
$$
  
\nGives 0.11 < 0.37  
\nOK

#### Step 8(j) – Single Outer Top Track to Concrete Connection

For this case the deflection gap is reduced to 1-1/2" because there is no fastener head interference. See Figure 1-26.

 $V_{req} = (1/2)(Stud Height)(28)$  $= (13/2)(28) = 182$  lb./ft. for strength  $T_{\text{req}} = 182(1.50/3.00) = 91 \text{ lb/ft.}$  *(moments about "a")*  i) Alternative (a) – 1/4" diameter concrete screw anchor

The concrete screw anchor spacing derived for the inner and outer top track case (1.03' actual rounded to 1'-0" o.c.) could be used here. See Step 8(i)i. However, the fastener spacing can be increased somewhat because the deflection gap does not have to provide head clearance for the screw anchor.

From Step 8(i)i  $V_{all} = 400$  lb.  $T_{all}$  = 200 lb (no special inspection)

Check interaction using equation from Appendix B.2 Note 5 with  $s =$  fastener spacing in feet:

$$
\left(\frac{sT}{T_{all}}\right) + \left(\frac{sV}{V_{all}}\right) \le 1.0
$$

Substituting and solving for "s":

$$
\left(\frac{\mathrm{s}}{200}\right) + \left(\frac{\mathrm{s}}{400}\right) \le 1.0
$$

 $s = 1.10'$ 

Use 12" o.c. 
$$
\leq 16
$$
" o.c. (*See Note 1-15*) *OK*

#### *Note 1-15*

*The single top deflection track design provisions in COFS 2004a do not include any limit on fastener spacing. However, the background research (as reported in Gerloff 2004) was based on a maximum fastener spacing equal to the stud spacing and this is proposed here as an upper limit.* 

#### ii) Alternative (b) – 0.145" diameter powder actuated fastener

The analysis here will be the same as for the inner and outer top track for Step 8(i)ii. See Note 1-14.

Use 10" o.c.

iii) Alternative  $(c) - 1/4$ " diameter wedge type expansion anchor

Allowable shear – see Step 8(h)i

Vall = 397 lb. per fastener

Allowable tension

For load data see Appendix B.1 Tables B.1-1 and B.1-2.

 $f_c' = 3000 \text{ psi}$ Edge distance  $= 3"$ 

Choose 2" embedment and no special inspection

From Tables B.1-1 and B.1-2, interpolate between edge distances for allowable fastener tension. *(Interpolation is permitted – see Appendix B.1 Notes)*



Then  $T_{all}$  = 624 x (inspection factor)= 624 x (0.5)  $= 312$  lb.

Check interaction of tension and shear using the equation from Appendix B.1 Note  $9$  with  $S =$  fastener spacing in feet.

$$
\left(\frac{ST}{T_{all}}\right)^{5/3} + \left(\frac{SV}{V_{all}}\right)^{5/3} \le 1.0
$$

$$
\left(\frac{91S}{312}\right)^{5/3} + \left(\frac{182S}{397}\right)^{5/3} \le 1.0
$$

Solving by trial and error

S = 1.74' o.c. > stud spacing of 16" o.c. *(See Note 1-15)*

Use 16" o.c.



#### *Notes*

- *1. For the inner and outer top track, no additional top track fasteners are required at jamb locations since concentrated loads are spread by the inner/outer top track detail.*
- *2. For the single outer top track used in this design example, no additional top track fasteners are required at jamb locations because the jamb is connected at the top with a proprietary slide clip. See Section 8(k) for the slide clip connection details.*
- *3. For top track deflection details where earthquake design is a consideration, there may be restrictions on the use of powder actuated fasteners in tension. See Note 1-14.*

#### Step 8(k) – Slide Clip to Concrete Connection

From Step 7(c) a proprietary slide clip is required to transfer the top jamb reaction to the underside of the concrete floor slab. The engineering for the connection between the stud and the clip is assumed to be provided by the slide clip manufacturer. The connection between the slide clip and the concrete remains the responsibility of the CFSF designer.

It is assumed that two fasteners are required between the side clip and the concrete in order to provide some torsional restraint. Based on the sheathed design assumption in this example, there is no direct torsion applied to the connection from the jamb stud but there will be some inherent eccentricities in the connection itself. Assume all the connection eccentricity is resisted at the slide clip to concrete connection. See Figure 1- 27.



FIGURE 1-27

For this connection, the 3/8" diameter wedge type expansion anchor has been selected with 2" embedment. See Appendix B.1 Tables B.1-1 and B.1-2.

Detail the location of the fasteners.

The minimum edge distance is governed by shear and is given by: Cmin = 2-1/2" *(See Table 1-3 that follows.)*

The minimum fastener to fastener spacing is given by: Smin = 2" *(See Table 1-3 that follows.)*

Instead use 3" minimum edge distance to allow for some variation in the location of the slab edge along with the 2" minimum spacing. Using these distances, the concrete anchors will be asymmetrically placed as shown in Figures 1-28 and 1- 29.



FIGURE 1-29

The anchor spacing and edge distance requirements in Table B.1-2 need to be reworked *(by interpolation rounded to the nearest 1/8")* for an embedment depth of 2". The results are given in the following table:



Interpolate allowable tension and shear values from Table B.1-1 for a 2" embedment depth.



Required shear and tension

 $V =$  jamb reaction = 565 lb. from Step 5(c).

$$
V_1 = V/2 = 565/2
$$
  
= 233 lb.  

$$
V_2 = 0.75V/2 = 0.75(565)/2
$$
  
= 212 lb.

Shear resultant

$$
V_{req} = \sqrt{V_1^2 + V_2^2} = \sqrt{233^2 + 212^2}
$$
  
= 315 lb.

Moments about "a" assuming 1 fastener only in tension

$$
T_{\text{req}} = T_1 = 2V/(2+1) = 2(565)/3
$$
  
= 377 lb.

# Allowable shear

Establish the shear reduction factors for edge distance by interpolation. The values for  $C_{cr}$  and  $C_{min}$  are taken from Table 1-3 above.



 Establish the shear reduction factors for spacing by interpolation. The values for S<sub>cr</sub> and S<sub>min</sub> are taken from Table 1-3 above.



Using these factors the allowable shear from Table 1-4 above is reduced as follows *(see Appendix B.1 Note 8)*:

 $V_{\text{all}} = 1239(0.605)(0.90)$  $= 675$  lb.

Allowable tension

Establish the tension reduction factors for edge distance by interpolation. The values for  $C_{cr}$  and  $C_{min}$  are taken from Table 1-3 above.



 Establish the tension reduction factors for spacing by interpolation. The values for  $S_{cr}$  and  $S_{min}$  are taken from Table 1-3 above.



Using these factors the allowable tension from Table 1-4 above is reduced as follows *(see Appendix B.1 Note 8)*:

$$
T_{\text{all}} = 1094(0.933)(0.60)
$$
  
= 612 lb.

Check interaction of tension and shear using the equation from Appendix B.1 Note 9.

$$
\left(\frac{T}{T_{all}}\right)^{5/3} + \left(\frac{V}{V_{all}}\right)^{5/3} \le 1.00
$$
\n
$$
\left(\frac{377}{612}\right)^{5/3} + \left(\frac{315}{675}\right)^{5/3} = 0.73 \le 1.00
$$
\n*OK*

# Step 8(l) – Outer Top Track to Embedded Plate Connection

On some projects, the top track is connected to the underside of a spandrel beam rather than the underside of the slab. The quantity of bottom reinforcing steel in the spandrel beam may make the installation of drilled anchors difficult. For projects such as this, an embedded plate may be more practical. Suggested details are shown in Figures 1-30 and 1-32.

Assume embedded plates at maximum recommended spacing for anchoring outer top track = 24" o.c. *(Note 1-13).*

i) Alternative (a) – field welding

Check weld as shown in Figure 1-30 and 1-31

Applied load to track

 $V = (13/2)(28)$  $= 182$  lb./ft

For welds at 24" o.c.  $V_1 = 2(182)/2 = 182$  lb. per weld

By taking moments

 $T_1 = 1.50(2)(182)/6$ = 91 lb. per weld

Resultant shear per weld

$$
V_{\text{req}} = \sqrt{V_1^2 + T_1^2} = \sqrt{182^2 + 91^2}
$$
  
= 203 lb. per well



FIGURE 1-31

Allowable strength for a weld of length L inches *(See Note 1-16)*

 $V_{\text{all}} = 0.75tLF_{\text{u}}/\Omega$  $= 0.75(0.0713)L(65)(1000)/3.05$  $= 1140L lb.$ 

 $L_{req} = 203/1140 = 0.18$ " of weld length

Use  $L = 1$ " as a minimum practical weld length
### *Note 1-16*

- *1. A simplified approach to weld strengths is used in this Guide. Refer to Appendix A, Section A.1, for the origin of the general formula for the nominal unit strength of fillet and flare-bevel groove welds, 0.75tLF<sub>u</sub>* / $\Omega$  *with*  $\Omega$  = 3.05.
- *2. For this simplified method, the strength of fillet and flare groove welds in cold formed steel thicknesses less than or equal to 0.10" is a function of the tensile strength of the sheet and the length of the weld. It is assumed that the necessary weld leg size is available to develop the strength of the parent material.*
- *3. Show a nominal weld size on drawings of say 1/8" accompanied by a note "For material less than or equal to 0.10" thick, drawings show nominal weld leg sizes. For such material, the effective throat of welds shall not be less than the thickness of the thinnest connected part."*
- *4. The Fu values for various ASTM steels can be found in AISI 2002b, Part I.*

## ii) Alternative (b) – powder actuated fasteners

Applied loads on fasteners. See Figures 1-32 and 1-33.

From previous step:  $V = 182$  lb/ft

For PAF's at 24" o.c.  $V_{\text{req}} = V_1 = 2(182)/2$ = 182 lb. per fastener

Moments about "a"

 $T_{\text{req}} = 2(182)(1.5)/(4+1)$ = 109 lb. per fastener

Allowable shear and tension from Appendix B.4, Table B.4-1 assuming a 1/4" thick embedded plate.

Minimum edge distance = 1/2" < 1" *OK*

 $V_{\text{all}} = 575$  lb.  $T_{\text{all}} = 675$  lb.



FIGURE 1-32



FIGURE 1-33

Interaction check

$$
\left(\frac{T}{T_{all}}\right) + \left(\frac{V}{V_{all}}\right) \le 1.00
$$
\n
$$
\left(\frac{109}{675}\right) + \left(\frac{182}{575}\right) = 0.48 < 1.00
$$
\n*OK*

Pullover *OK* by inspection – see Step 8(i)ii.

*Note that where earthquake design is a consideration there may be restrictions on the use of powder actuated fasteners in tension – see Note 1-14.* 

# Design Example #2 Wind Bearing Infill Wall with an Unsheathed Design Approach and Welded or Screwed Connections



For parapet design and detailing see Step 8

FIGURE 2-1

# Introduction

This design example assumes an all steel system where the restraint of the sheathings is ignored. All connections are designed as welded or screwed. An inner and outer top track deflection detail is assumed.

Members are checked for lateral instability and for the torsional effects of loads not applied through the shear center. Bridging is checked for the accumulated torsion between bridging lines.

The layout of the members and the design wind loads are identical to Design Example 1. See Figure 2-1. The numbers shown in Figure 2-1 correspond to the applicable design step used in this example. Refer also to the following:

Step 6 - General Comments on Welded Connections Step 7 - Details at Shearwalls Step 8 - Parapets

# Step 1 – Typical Stud Design

## Step 1(a) – Check Trial Stud for Warping Torsion

Check the typical stud selected in Design Example 1 for warping torsion using the approximate method outlined in Appendix C.

This design example uses a torsional eccentricity from the shear center to the centerline of the web as illustrated in Figure 2-3A. This eccentricity would be typical for positive wind pressures loading the exterior sheathing which in turn load the compression flange of the stud. Abbreviated calculations are also provided for a torsional eccentricity from the shear center to the centerline of the flange (Figure 2-3B). This eccentricity would be typical for negative wind pressures loading the exterior sheathing with the attaching screws in tension. Note that the torsional analyses assume the sheathings load the studs but do not provide any meaningful or reliable torsional restraint.

The stud spans from A to D as shown in Figure 2-2 with bridging at points B and C. This gives an unsupported length  $L_u = 4'-4''$ . The applied wind load = 37.3 lb/ft is assumed to act through the web centerline. A component of this load, F, will act on the half-beam which is analyzed as a continuous beam with the top and bottom track and the bridging lines acting as supports.







Derive the properties for the torsional "half-beam" using the linear method. For further examples of the linear method and properties of line elements see AISI 2002b, Part I, Section 3. For this example, neglect the corner radii.



 $X_{cg} = \Sigma L X / \Sigma L$ 

 $= 2.0025 / 3.5461 = 0.5647$  in. (from web centerline)

 $I_{cg} = [\Sigma L X^2 + \Sigma I_0 / t - \Sigma L (X_{cg})^2] t$  $=[ 2.1779 + 0.3286 - (3.5461)(0.5647)^{2}][ 0.0451 ]$  $= 0.06204$  in<sup>4</sup> y(web) 0.06204  $S_{\rm v(web)} = \frac{I}{I}$ 

$$
S_{y(\text{web})} = \frac{1}{X_{cg} + t/2} = \frac{0.00204}{0.5647 + 0.0451/2}
$$

$$
= 0.1056 \text{ in}^3
$$

$$
S_{y(lip)} = \frac{I}{Flg - X_{cg} - t/2} = \frac{0.06204}{1.625 - 0.5647 - 0.0451/2}
$$

$$
= 0.0598 \text{ in}^3
$$

Load on "half-beam"

The torsional loads, F, illustrated in Figure 2-3A are derived as follows.

 $F = P(e/h)$  $P = 37.3$  lb/ft  $e = m = 0.670$  in. (distance from shear center to web centerline)  $h = depth - t = 6 - 0.0451 = 5.95$  in.  $F = 37.3(0.670/5.95)$  $= 4.20$  lb/ft

Required maximum moment on the half-beam is given by the 3 span continuous beam analogy where the moment over the first support (bridging line) is given by the following:

$$
\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M}_{\text{t}(\text{req})} &= \text{FL}_{\text{u}}\text{2}/10 \\ &= 4.20(4.33)\text{2}/10 \\ &= 7.87 \text{ ft}.\text{lb} \end{aligned}
$$

*(If the moment on the half-beam is to be checked at the midheight of the stud - i.e. middistance between bridging lines - then*  $M_{req} = FL_u^2/40$ . See Note 2-1, Item 1.)

Warping torsional stress:

 $\sigma_w = M_{t(\text{req})}/S_{y(\text{lip})}$  $= 7.87(12)/0.0598 = 1580$  psi

For combined bending and warping torsion calculate the moment reduction factor, R defined as follows:

R is given by the ratio of normal stresses due to bending alone divided by the combined stresses due to both bending and torsional warping at the point of maximum combined stress on the cross-section. See Note 2-1 Item 1. Stresses are calculated with full section properties for the torsional stresses and effective section properties for the bending stresses.

bend <sup>+0</sup> w  $R = \frac{O_{\text{bend}}}{O_{\text{eend}}}$  $σ<sub>bend</sub> + σ$  $=\frac{\sigma}{\sigma}$ 

Major axis moment

 $M_{x(\text{req})} = wL^2/8 = (16/12)(28)(13)^2(12)/8$  = 9460 in.lb  $\sigma_{\text{bend}} = M_{x(\text{req})}/S_{x(\text{eff})}$  $= 9460/0.767$ = 12300 psi

0.886  $R = \frac{12300}{12300 + 1580} =$ 

Reduce allowable moment  $= RM_{all}$  $= 0.886(16.68)$ = 14.78 in.kips

 $M_{x(\text{req})}$  = 9.46 in.kips < 14.78 in.kips  $\boldsymbol{OK}$ 

#### *Note 2-1*

- *1. For this design example, the maximum warping torsional effects occur at a line of bridging whereas the maximum primary bending moment occurs at midspan. A more rigorous design procedure would check Mall(reduced) both at the line of bridging and at midspan against Mx(req) calculated for each of the two locations. As a design expediency, this example assumes the maximum warping torsion and the maximum primary bending moment both occur at the same location even though this is not the case.*
- *2. There is some interaction between warping torsion and lateral instability not accounted for in this procedure. Refer to the discussion at the end of Appendix C.*
- *3. Where the restraint of sheathings is to be ignored, the effect of warping torsional stresses can generally be neglected for routine design provided there is adequate bridging.*
- *4. For torsional eccentricity to the flange centerline:*

*e = m + (centerline flange width)/2 = 0.670 + (1.625 - 0.0451)/2 = 1.46 in. F = 9.15 lb/ft Mt(req) = 17.16 ft.lb*  <sup>σ</sup>*w = 3440 psi R = 0.781 Reduced allowable moment = RMall = 13.03 in.kips Mx(req) = 9.46 in.kips < 13.03 in.kips OK*

#### Step 1(b) - Check Trial Stud for Lateral Instability

From Figure 2-2:

$$
L_u=4'-4" = 52"
$$

Assume:

$$
K_t = K_y = 1
$$

From load tables:

$$
J = 0.000303
$$
 in<sup>4</sup>

 $C_w = 1.10$  in<sup>6</sup>  $r_0 = 2.58$  in.  $A = 0.447$  in<sup>2</sup>  $r_y = 0.576$  in.  $S_f$  = full unreduced section modulus  $= 0.772$  in<sup>3</sup> Mall = 16.68 in.kips *(fully braced allowable moment for subsequent calculation of Fya )*  and E = 29,500 ksi

G = 11,300 ksi

From *AISI Specification* (Section C3.1.2):

Cb = 1 (Conservative – only a small benefit for *AISI Specification* Equation C3.1.2-10 for the middle  $L_u$ )

$$
\sigma_{ey} = \frac{\pi^2 E}{\left(\frac{K_y L_y}{r_y}\right)^2} = \frac{\pi^2 (29500)}{\left[\frac{(1)(52)}{0.576}\right]^2}
$$

$$
= 35.7 \text{ ksi}
$$

$$
\sigma_{t} = \frac{1}{Ar_{0}^{2}} \left[ GJ + \frac{\pi^{2}EC_{w}}{(K_{t}L_{t})^{2}} \right]
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{1}{(0.447)(2.58)^{2}} \left[ 11300 (0.000303) + \frac{\pi^{2} (29500)(1.10)}{[(1)(52)]^{2}} \right]
$$
  
= 41.0 ksi

$$
F_e = \frac{C_b r_0 A \sqrt{\sigma_{ey} \sigma_t}}{S_f}
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{(1)(2.58)(0.447)\sqrt{(35.7)(41.0)}}{0.772}
$$
  
= 57.2 ksi

Assuming Fya is not available in load tables *(both Mall and Sx(eff) are based on the fully braced condition)* 

$$
F_{ya} = M_{all}\Omega/S_{x(eff)} = 16.68(1.67)/0.767
$$
  
= 36.3 ksi

2.78  $F_{ya}$  = 2.78(36.3) = 100.9 ksi  $0.56 \text{ F}_{ya} = 0.56(36.3) = 20.3 \text{ ksi}$ 

For 2.78F<sub>ya</sub> > F<sub>e</sub> > 0.56F<sub>ya</sub>  
\n
$$
F_c = \frac{10}{9} F_{ya} \left( 1 - \frac{10F_{ya}}{36F_e} \right)
$$
\n
$$
= \frac{10}{9} (36.3) \left[ 1 - \frac{10(36.3)}{36(57.2)} \right]
$$
\n= 33.2 in.kips

See Note 2-2.

#### *Note 2-2*

*1. The next step in the AISI Specification is to calculate a revised effective section modulus, Sc , with Fya replaced by Fc . The moment capacity reflecting lateral buckling is then given by M<sub>all</sub> = M<sub>n</sub>/Ω = S<sub>c</sub>F<sub>c</sub>/Ω . For typical lightweight steel framing profiles, calculating Sc requires considerable work with little benefit. Use instead the following procedure:* 

 $M_{all}$  (lateral buckling) =  $M_{x}$  (fully braced)  $x$  ( $F_c/F_{ya}$ )

 *This expression is always conservative.* 

*2. Where section capacity does not include the effect of cold work of forming, Fya is replaced by Fy throughout Step 1(b).* 

> $M_{\text{all (lateral buckling)}} = M_{\text{all (fully braced)}}$  $= 16.68(33.2/36.3)$ = 15.3 in.kips

From Step 1(a)  $M_{x(\text{req})}$  = 9.46 in.kips < 15.3 in.kips *OK* 

Therefore from Steps 1(a) and 1(b), the allowable moment of the typical stud is reduced by warping torsion and by lateral instability. However, there is sufficient bridging and strength reserve such that the basic stud selection is unaffected.

# Step 2 – Through-the-Punchout Bridging Design

## Step 2(a) – Bridging Channel Design

The bridging channel is designed as a continuous beam supported by the major axis bending strength of each stud and loaded by the twisting moment from each stud. This is illustrated in Figure 2-5. Assume a 5-span (i.e. 5 stud spaces) condition as shown in Figure 2-6.



FIGURE 2-5



Moment =  $Coefficient \times M$  $(+ve = tension bottom fiber)$ 

FIGURE 2-6



The outside span is critical and is shown with the moment coefficients in Figure 2-7. The moment, M, is derived from the top and bottom flange brace requirements given in the *AISI Supplement* D3.2.2.

 $P_L = 1.5(m/d)W$ 

where:  $W = wa$  $w = load/ft$  on the stud for strength =  $(16/12)(28) = 37.3$  lb/ft  $a = \text{bridging spacing} = 4.33 \text{ ft}.$  $m =$  stud web center line to shear center =  $0.670$ "  $d = 6"$  $P<sub>L</sub> = 1.5(0.670/6)(37.3)(4.33)$  $= 27.1$  lb.  $P_{1}$  $\boldsymbol{\mathsf{x}}$  $\overline{\sigma}$  $P_{L}$ m

FIGURE 2-8

Then the moment resisted by the bridging channel is given by the flange brace couple with a lever arm equal to the depth of the stud. See Figure 2-8.

 $M = 27.1(6) = 162.6$  in.lb and the resulting moment values in the outside span are illustrated in Figure 2-9.





Try 150U50-54 (33) bridging channel.

Properties from product literature *(or from AISI 2002b formulas).* 

Section will be fully effective at  $F_y$  = 33 ksi *(i.e.*  $\lambda \le 0.673$  for all elements at f *= Fy AISI Specification B2.1 – calculations not shown here)*.

 $S_x = 0.0520$  in<sup>3</sup>  $r_y$  = 0.145 in.  $A = 0.130$  in<sup>2</sup>  $J = 0.000138$  in<sup>4</sup>  $C_w = 0.00104$  in<sup>6</sup>  $x_0$  = 0.254 in.  $r_0 = 0.622$  in.

Check strength:

$$
Mall = FySx/\Omega
$$
  
= (33)(0.0520)/1.67  
= 1.03 in.kips  

$$
Mreq = 0.163 in.kips \ll 1.03 in.kips
$$

Check lateral instability from *AISI Specification* (Section C3.1.2):

E = 29,500 ksi  
\nG = 11,300 ksi  
\nK<sub>t</sub> = K<sub>y</sub> = 1  
\nC<sub>b</sub> = 
$$
\frac{12.5M_{max}}{2.5M_{max} + 3M_A + 4M_B + 3M_C}
$$

where  $M_{\text{max}}$ ,  $M_A$ ,  $M_B$  and  $M_C$  are illustrated in Figure 2-9. Using similar triangles and absolute values:

 $x = 0.610L$  $y = 0.390L$  $M_{max}$  = M  $M_A$  = 0.590M  $M_B$  = 0.180M  $M_{C}$  = 0.230M

Substituting in the expression for  $C_b$  gives:

 $C_b = 2.20$ 

$$
\sigma_{ey} = \frac{\pi^2 E}{\left(\frac{K_y L_y}{r_y}\right)^2} = \frac{\pi^2 (29500)}{\left[\frac{(1)(16)}{0.145}\right]^2}
$$
  
= 23.91 ksi  

$$
\sigma_t = \frac{1}{Ar_0^2} \left[ GJ + \frac{\pi^2 E C_w}{(K_t L_t)^2} \right]
$$

$$
= \frac{1}{(0.130)(0.622)^2} \left[ 11300 (0.000138) + \frac{\pi^2 (29500)(0.00104)}{\left[(1)(16)\right]^2} \right]
$$

$$
= 54.52 ksi
$$

$$
F_e = \frac{C_b r_0 A \sqrt{\sigma_{ey} \sigma_t}}{S_f}
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{(2.20)(0.622)(0.130)\sqrt{(23.91)(54.52)}}{0.0520}
$$
  
= 123.5 ksi

 $2.78F_y = 2.78(33) = 91.7$  ksi

For  $F_e \geq 2.78F_y$ 

 $F_c = F_y$  and there is no reduction in allowable moment for lateral instability.

$$
Mall = 1.03 in.kips
$$
  

$$
Mreq = 0.163 in.kips < 1.03 in.kips
$$

Use 150U50-54 (33) bridging channel *OK*

#### *Note 2-3*

*For torsional eccentricity to the flange centerline:* 

 *e = m + (flange width)/2 = 0.670 + (1.625 - 0.451)/2 = 1.460" PL = 1.50(e/d)W = 1.50(1.460/6)(37.3)(4.33) = 59.0 lb. Mreq = 59.0(6) = 354 in.lb* 

 *Mall = 1.03 in.kips > 0.354 in.kips OK*

## Step 2(b) – Bridging Welded Connection

Refer also to Design Example #2, Step 6 for general comments on welded construction.

From Step 2(a), the twisting moment transferred from stud to bridging channel:

 $M_{\text{req}} = 162.6 \text{ in.}$ lb





Clip angle size

See Note 2-4.

Use  $t = 0.0566$ "

## *Note 2-4*

*The following design rules for wind bearing stud bridging clip angles are suggested:* 

- *Based on field experience and a limited amount of research (Drysdale 1991, Green 2004a), it is recommended that the thickness of the bridging clip angle be the greater of the thickness of the stud or 0.0566".*
- *Leg lengths to be 1-1/2".*
- *Length to be* ≥ *stud depth minus 1/2".*
- *Screws (or welds) in outer portion of the web of the stud.*

Bridging channel to clip angle weld (see Figure 2-10):



Using the linear method, the maximum required load per inch of weld length is given by:

$$
q_{req} = \frac{M_{req}}{S_{weld}} = \frac{162.6}{(1.5)^2 / 6} = 434 \text{ lb / in.}
$$

With the lower strength bridging channel governing, the allowable weld capacity per inch of weld length is given by (See Appendix A.1):

 $q_{all} = P_n / (\Omega L) = 0.75tF_u / \Omega$  $= 0.75(0.0566)(45)(1000)/3.05$ = 626 lb/in > 434 lb/in *OK*





Clip angle to stud weld (see Figure 2-11):



Weld group allowable moment (stud material governs):

$$
Mall = 5.50 \times (0.75) tLFu/\Omega
$$
  
= 5.50(0.75)(0.0451)(1)(45)(1000)/3.05  
= 2740 in.1b >> 162.6 in.1b  
OK



#### Step 2(c) – Bridging Screwed Connection

See Figure 2-12. For member sizes not shown, see Figure 2-10.



FIGURE 2-12

Clip angle size

Use t = 0.0566" *(See Note 2-4)*

Bridging channel to clip angle screws

Suggested dimensioning of the self-drilling screw locations is illustrated in Figure 2-12. Dimensions a and b are set and x and y are calculated. *(Note that bridging clip angles are frequently supplied with pre-drilled holes with dimensioning that varies from manufacturer to manufacturer. The dimensioning of pre-drilled holes should be used in design)*

 $a = 5/8$ " for screw gun clearance. b = minimum edge distance by *AISI Specification* Section E4.2.  $= 1.5d = 1.5(0.190) = 0.285$ "  $x =$  lever arm for force couple =  $1.101$ "  $y =$  edge distance parallel to force =  $0.337$ "

Required shear per screw

$$
V_{req} = M_{req} / 1.101 (M_{req} from Step 2(a))
$$
  
= 162.6/1.101  
= 148 lb/ screw

Determine screw shear capacities by the *AISI Specification* E4.3 assuming #10-16 self-drilling screws.

Screw design input values:



Allowable shear per screw

Screw allowable shear limited by E4.3.1 tilting and bearing

 $t_2/t_1$  = 1.0 therefore choose the governing  $P_{ns}$  from AISI Equations E4.3.1-1, E4.3.1-2 and E4.3.1-3.

 $P_{ns} = 2.7t_2 dF_{u2} = 1307$  lb.  $P_{ns} = 2.7t_1 dF_{u1} = 1887$  lb.  $P_{ns} = 4.2 (t_2^3 d)^{1/2} F_{u2} = 1109$  lb. – governs

Gives:

 $V_{\text{all}} = P_{\text{ns}} / \Omega = 1109 / 3 = 370$  lb.

Screw allowable shear limited by E4.3.2 end distance

```
e = 0.337" (Distance y from Figure 2-12)
P_{ns} = teFu
   = 0.0566(0.337)(65)= 1.24 kips
```
Gives:

$$
V_{\text{all}} = P_{\text{ns}} / \Omega = 1240/3
$$
  
= 413 lb.

Screw allowable shear limited by E4.3.3 shear in the screws themselves. Refer to the *AISI Supplement (AISI 2004)*

 $P_{ns} = P_{ss}$ 

Where  $P_{ss}$  = nominal shear capacity of screw. See Appendix A, Table A-1.

$$
P_{\rm ns} = P_{\rm ss} = 1400 \, \text{lb.}
$$

Gives:

$$
V_{\text{all}} = P_{\text{ns}} / \Omega = 1400/3
$$
  
= 467 lb.

The governing  $V_{all}$  is from E4.3.1 and is given by:

$$
V_{\text{all}} = 370 \text{ lb.} > 148 \text{ lb.}
$$

Clip angle to stud screws

Required tension per screw *(from moments about "c" in Figure 2-12)*

$$
T_{req} = M_{req} / (4 + 0.75)
$$
  
= 162.6 / 4.75  
= 34.2 lb.

Allowable tension per screw

Screw nominal tension limited by E4.4.1 pull-out

$$
P_{\text{not}} = 0.85t_{\text{c}}dF_{\text{u2}} \qquad \text{where } t_{\text{c}} = t_2 = 0.0451" = 0.85(0.0451)(0.190)(45)(1000) = 328 \text{ lb.}
$$

Screw nominal tension limited by E4.4.2 pull-over

 $P_{nov} = 1.5t_1d_wF_{u1}$ 

Does not govern by inspection.

Screw nominal tension limited by E4.4.3 tension in the screws themselves. Refer to the *AISI Supplement.* 

 $P_{nt} = P_{ts} = 1936$  lb.

Where  $P_{ts}$  = nominal tensile capacity of the screw. See Appendix A, Table A-1.

The governing nominal tension is given by  $P_{\text{not}} = 328$  lb. and

 $T_{\text{all}} = P_{\text{not}} / \Omega = 328/3$  $= 109$  lb.  $> 34.2$  lb.  $OK$ 

## *Note 2-6*

*For torsional eccentricity to the centerline of the flange: Mreq = 354 in.lb from Note 2-3. Bridging channel to clip angle screws: Vreq = 354/1.101 = 322 lb. Vall = 370 lb. > 322 lb. OK Clip angle to stud screws: Treq = 354/4.75 = 74.5 lb. Tall = 109 lb > 74.5 lb. OK*

# Step 3 – Check Bottom Track and Sill Track for Lateral Instability

 $L_u$  = stud spacing =  $16"$ 

Assume:

$$
K_t = K_y = 1
$$

Try 600T125-43 (33) track

From load tables:

 $M_{all} = 9.11$  in.kips  $F_v = 33$  ksi  $J = 0.000260$  in<sup>4</sup>  $C_w = 0.307$  in<sup>6</sup>  $r_0$  = 2.28 in.  $A = 0.383$  in<sup>2</sup>  $r_v = 0.337$  in.  $S_f$  = full unreduced section modulus

 $= 0.604$  in<sup>3</sup>

From *AISI Specification* (Section C3.1.2.1):

 $E = 29,500$  ksi G = 11,300 ksi Cb = 1 (Conservative - see *AISI Specification* Equation C3.1.2.1-10 if less conservative value required.)

$$
\sigma_{ey} = \frac{\pi^2 E}{\left(\frac{K_y L_y}{r_y}\right)^2} = \frac{\pi^2 (29500)}{\left[\frac{(1)(16)}{0.337}\right]^2}
$$
  
= 129.2 ksi  

$$
\sigma_t = \frac{1}{Ar_0^2} \left[ GJ + \frac{\pi^2 E C_w}{(K_t L_t)^2} \right]
$$

$$
= \frac{1}{(0.383)(2.28)^2} \left[ 11300 (0.000260) + \frac{\pi^2 (29500)(0.307)}{[(1)(16)]^2} \right]
$$

$$
= 176.8 \text{ ksi}
$$

$$
F_e = \frac{C_b r_0 A \sqrt{\sigma_{ey} \sigma_t}}{S_f}
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{(1)(2.28)(0.383)\sqrt{(129.2)(176.8)}}{0.604}
$$
  
= 219 ksi  

$$
2.78F_y = 2.78(33) = 91.7 ksi
$$
  
For F<sub>e</sub> > 2.78M<sub>y</sub>

 $F_c = F_y$  and no moment reduction for lateral instability. *(Where*  $F_c < F_y$  *see Step 1(b) for a simplified approach.)* 

Therefore, based on the fully braced strength checks from Design Example #1, the bottom track and sill track are *OK*.

## Step 4 – Jamb Stud

#### Step 4(a) – Welded Jamb Stud Interconnection

Refer to the Jamb Stud Selection Table 1-1 in Design Example #1.

Try built-up section E. The *AISI Specification* does not define interconnection requirements for this type of built-up member. Experience indicates that a connection spacing of 16" o.c. is adequate. The welds are required to transfer shear between the two stud sections and to generate at least partial closed section torsional behavior. See Figure 2-13.



From Design Example #1, Table 1-1, this jamb stud is overstressed in web crippling.

$$
P_{\text{all}} = 518 \text{ lb.}
$$
  
 
$$
P_{\text{req}} = 565 \text{ lb.} > 518 \text{ lb.}
$$
 *UNSATISFACTORY*

Recalculate the web crippling P<sub>all</sub> using instead the expression and coefficients provided in COFS 2004a Section C4.2(a). See Notes 1-1 and 2-7. See also additional limitations on the use of this web crippling expression in Section C4.2(a) *(COFS 2004a)*.

$$
P_{all} = \frac{C t^2 F_y \sin \theta}{\Omega} \left( 1 - C_R \sqrt{\frac{R}{t}} \right) \left( 1 + C_N \sqrt{\frac{N}{t}} \right) \left( 1 - C_h \sqrt{\frac{h}{t}} \right)
$$

 $R = 0.0712"$  $t = 0.0451"$ Depth  $= 6$ " h =  $Depth - 2t - 2R = 5.767"$  $N = 1"$  $F_v$  = 33 ksi  $\theta$  = 90 degrees  $C = 3.7$  $C_R = 0.19$  $C_N = 0.74$  $C_h = 0.019$  $\Omega$  = 1.70

substituting  $P_{all} = 0.392$  kips per web

For 2 studs toe to toe  $P_{\text{all}} = 2(392) = 784 \text{ lb.} > 565 \text{ lb.}$  *OK* 

## *Note 2-7*

*The stud to track web crippling expression in COFS 2004a assumes that both flanges of the stud are connected to both flanges of the track. For the inner and outer top track detail used here, this condition is met. However, for the single top track deflection detail, this condition is not met (there is no connection between the stud flanges and the single top track) and web crippling reverts to the expression provided in the AISI Specification for the unfastened, end one flange condition.* 

#### Step 4(b) – Screwed Jamb Stud Interconnection

The toe to toe stud configuration from Step 4(a) is not recommended for screwed construction because it is difficult to effectively connect the studs together with screws.

Use instead built-up section D from Table 1-1 Design Example #1. See Design Example #1 Step 8(d) for suggested interconnection requirements.

## Step 5 – Miscellaneous Connection Design

Step 5(a) – Welded Window Head Interconnection



FIGURE 2-14

Note that the weld requirements for the alternative window head built-up section in Figure 1-6B would be similar.

### Step 5(b) – Screwed Window Head Interconnection

See Design Example #1, Step 8(e).

## Step 5(c) – Welded Stud to Top or Bottom Track Connection

See Note 2-8.

### *Note 2-8*

*Connection design assumptions* 

- *All of the stud end shear is transferred in bearing against one upstanding leg of the track. Therefore, the welds (or screws) are not required to transfer any stud end shear.*
- *Welds (or screws) are required to provide torsional restraint to the end of the stud.*
- *Welds (or screws) are not required to provide torsional restraint to the track. (Depending on the fastening of the track to the primary structure some torsional restraint might be required but it has been neglected here.)*
- *The general case of torsion at the end of the stud is provided in Appendix I. For the design of this connection, the torsional term, Kawm, described in Appendix I, is conservatively neglected.*

Required end reaction for typical stud:  $= 0.5wL(spaceing/12)$  $= 0.5(28)(13)(16/12)$  $= 243$  lb.

From *AISI Supplement* Section D3.2.2

See Figure 2-15.

 $P_{req} = P_{L1} = -P_{L2} = \frac{\log \left(\frac{P}{T}\right)}{\log \left(\frac{P}{T}\right)}$  and of stud torsionally  $=$  (m/d) x (stud end reaction)  $=(m/d)P$  $P_{req} = (0.670/6)(243)$  $= 27.1$  lb. and for 1" weld length  $P_{all} = 0.75tLF_{u}/\Omega$ 

 $= 0.75(0.0451)(1)(45)(1000)/3.05$  $= 499$  lb.  $>> 27.1$  lb.  $OK$ 

Note that the weld configuration shown in Figure 2-15 allows welding from one side.

#### Step 5(d) – Screwed Stud to Top or Bottom Track Connection

See Step 5(c) for design assumptions and required load per screw.

 $P_{req}$  = 27.1 lb/screw

Screw input values



Allowable Shear per Screw

Screw allowable shear limited by E4.3.1 tilting and bearing

t2/t1 = 1.0 therefore choose the governing Pns from the *AISI Specification*  Equations E4.3.1-1, E4.3.1-2 and E4.3.1-3.

 $P_{ns} = 2.7t_2 dF_{u2} = 1041$  lb.  $P_{ns} = 2.7t_1 dF_{u1} = 1041$  lb.  $P_{ns} = 4.2 (t_2^3 d)^{1/2} F_{u2} = 789$  lb. – governs



FIGURE 2-16

Gives:

$$
V_{\text{all}} = P_{\text{ns}} / \Omega = 789/3
$$

$$
= 263 \text{ lb.}
$$

Screw allowable shear limited by E4.3.2 end distance

Not applicable

Screw allowable shear limited by E4.3.3 shear in the screws themselves. Refer to the *AISI Supplement*

 $P_{ns} = P_{ss}$ 

Where  $P_{ss}$  = nominal shear capacity of screw. See Appendix A, Table A-1.

$$
V_{\text{all}} = P_{\text{ns}} / \Omega = \phi P_{\text{ss}} / \Omega = 1400 / 3
$$

$$
= 467 \text{ lb.}
$$

The governing  $V_{all}$  is from E4.3.1 and is given by

$$
V_{\text{all}} = 263 \text{ lb.} > 27.1 \text{ lb.}
$$

#### Step 5(e) – Welded Sill to Jamb Connection

The end connection transfers both shear and torsion from the sill member. The torsional component is described as a general case in Appendix I. For the purposes of this design example, the term *Kawm (as described in Appendix I)* is neglected. See Figure 2-17

Stud and sill track:  $t = 0.0451"$   $F_u = 45$  ksi Required end reaction *(Design Example #1 Step 5(b))*:  $V_{\text{req}} = 296$  lb.

and from Appendix I the required torsional moment on the weld group *(neglecting Kawm)* is given by:

 $M_{req}$  = Rm =  $V_{req}$  m

From load tables for 600T125-43 track  $m = 0.336$ "

 $M_{\text{req}} = 296(0.336)$  $= 99.5$  in.lb



FIGURE 2-17



FIGURE 2-18

See Figure 2-18. Using the linear method, the maximum required load per inch of weld length is given by the vector addition of the 2 stress components:

$$
q_{req} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{M_{req}}{S_{weld}}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{V_{req}}{A_{weld}}\right)^{2}}
$$
  
\n
$$
S_{weld} = I_{weld}/c
$$
  
\n
$$
= 2 [1/12(1)^{3} + 1(2.5)^{2}] / 3
$$
  
\n
$$
= 4.22 \text{ in}^{2}
$$
  
\n
$$
A_{weld} = L = 2(1) = 2 \text{ in}.
$$

$$
q_{req} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{99.5}{4.22}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{296}{2}\right)^2}
$$
  
= 150 lb/in  

$$
q_{all} = P_n / (L\Omega) = 0.75tF_u / \Omega
$$

$$
= 0.75(0.0451)(45)(1000)/3.05
$$

$$
= 499 lb/in > 150 lb/in
$$

#### Step 5(f) – Screwed Sill to Jamb Connection

For detailing of this connection refer to Figure 1-18. The forces on the fasteners are the same as Design Example #1 Step 8(f) except that here the torsional moment, M, is superimposed.

From Step 5(e) the moment and shear applied to the connection are given by the following specified values:

 $V_{\text{req}} = 296$  lb.  $M_{req}$  = 99.5 in.lb

For screws connecting the angle to the sill track see Figures 2-19 and 2-20.



FIGURE 2-19



FIGURE 2-20

 $M = M_{\text{req}} = 99.5 \text{ in.} lb$  $V = V_{req} = 296$  lb.

$$
V_1 = V/2 = 296/2 = 148
$$
 lb.  
\n $V_2 = Ve/4 = 296(0.75)/4 = 55.5$  lb.

Shear resultant  
\n
$$
V_{req} = \sqrt{V_1^2 + V_2^2} = \sqrt{148^2 + 55.5^2}
$$
\n= 158 lb.

$$
T_{req} = T_1 = M/4.75
$$
  
= 99.5/4.75  
= 20.9 lb.

Screw allowable shear from Design Example #1 Step 8(f)

$$
V_{\text{all}} = 263
$$
 lb. per screw

Screw allowable tension

Screw nominal tensile strength limited by E4.4.1 pull-out

$$
P_{\text{not}} = 0.85t_{\text{c}}dF_{\text{u2}} \qquad \text{where } t_{\text{c}} = t_2 = 0.0451" = 0.85(0.0451)(0.190)(45)(1000) = 328 \text{ lb.}
$$

Screw nominal tensile strength limited by E4.4.2 pull-over

 $P_{nov} = 1.5t_1d_wF_{u1}$ 

Does not govern by inspection.

Screw nominal tensile strength limited by E4.4.3 tension in the screws themselves. Refer to the *AISI Supplement*.

 $P_{nt} = P_{ts} = 1936$  lb.

Where  $P_{ts}$  = nominal tensile strength of screw. See Appendix A, Table A-1.

The governing nominal tensile strength is given by  $P_{\text{not}} = 328$  lb. and

$$
T_{\text{all}} = P_{\text{not}} / \Omega = 328/3
$$
  
= 109 lb.

Assuming a linear interaction between tension and shear:

$$
\frac{V_{\text{req}}}{V_{\text{all}}} + \frac{T_{\text{req}}}{T_{\text{all}}} \le 1.0
$$
  

$$
\frac{158}{263} + \frac{20.9}{109} = 0.79 < 1.00
$$

For screws connecting the angle to the jamb stud see Figure 2-21.

The vertical component of shear,  $V_3$ , is relieved by the applied torsional moment, M, and the resulting net force on these screws will by less than in Design Example #1 Step 8(f)

Therefore, by inspection *OK*



FIGURE 2-21



FIGURE 2-22

## Step 5(g) – Welded Head to Jamb Connection

See Figure 2-22.

### Step 5(h) – Screwed Head to Jamb Connection

See Figure 1-21.

# Step 6 – General Comments on Welded Connections

The strength of welds in cold formed steel in thicknesses less than or equal to 0.10 inches is a function of the tensile strength of the sheet and the length of the weld. It is assumed that the necessary weld leg size is available to develop the strength of the parent material.

Show a nominal weld size on drawings of say 1/8" accompanied by a note "For material less than 0.10" thick, drawings show nominal weld leg sizes. For such material, the effective throat of welds shall not be less than the thickness of the thinnest connected part."

The minimum practical parent material thickness for welding varies with the skill of the welders and the welding procedure used. A common recommended minimum thickness is 0.0451". There is no minimum weld length requirement in the *AISI Specification* - a 1" minimum is used here

Refer to Appendix A.1 for the origin of the general formula for the nominal strength of fillet and flare-bevel groove welds, 0.75tLFu.

The  $F_u$  values for various steels can be found in AISI 2002b, Part I.

#### Advantages of Welded Connections

- 1. Many connections can be made without supplementary clip angles such as the window head and sill to jamb connections (Figures 2-17 and 2-22).
- 2. Special long-legged inner top tracks are not required for the inner and outer top track deflection detail.
- 3. Welded connections (with experienced welders) have generally less labor content than screwed connections. This is particularly the case in thicker material (say  $\ge$ 0.0566") and in shop conditions.

#### Disadvantages of Welded Connections

1. Experienced and certified welders capable of working with lightgauge material may not be available. Damaged members from burn through is the usual consequence of inexperience.

- 2. In shop conditions, the fumes from the galvanizing vapors are toxic and require special air handling or special masks.
- 3. The galvanized coatings are locally damaged by the heat of welding and touch-up with a zinc rich paint is usually required.
- 4. Where a strength increase from cold work of forming is used *(as in this Guide)* there is the possibility that this strength increase can be lost due to the heat of welding. The AISI Specification requires testing to evaluate this effect. See Section A7.2(c). Alternatively, the cold work of forming effect can be conservatively ignored.

# Step 7 – Details at Shearwalls

Inner and outer top track  $Slab -$ Shearwall Studs or column Bridging Bottom track Slab  $\prod$  $\mathbf{r}$ 

See Figure 2-23 and Note 2-9.



## *Note 2-9*

*Anchor the last stud to the shearwall or column with wedge type expansion anchors at say 2'-8" o.c. This anchorage eliminates any differential wind load deflections between the stud and the shearwall or column, effectively anchors the bridging and provides racking resistance in the plane of the wall.*
# Step 8 – Parapets



**FIGURE 2-24** 

### *Note 2-10*

- *1. Some parapets are designed to accept substantial vertical and lateral loads from window washing equipment, swing stages etc. and also may be required to function as a guard. It is assumed that these loads do not apply to this project. Nevertheless, parapet design should anticipate considerable abuse during construction (gravel buggies) and in the completed structure (re-roofing operations).*
- *2. Figure 2-25, as illustrated, is generally not acceptable. A fixed base moment resisting condition is required which cannot be achieved by anchoring the bottom track to the top of the roof slab.*

 *This detail will work if each stud is directly connected to the roof slab with a full moment connection. There are proprietary connection devices available for this purpose. Alternatively, provide anchor plates cast into the roof slab at regular intervals with hot-rolled angles, channels or hollow structural sections welded to the anchor plates and cantilevering over the height of the parapet to support the top track. The studs are then designed for the relatively trivial simply supported condition between the tracks. The top track is designed to span between the cantilevering posts and the bottom track is designed to span between fasteners into the roof slab which will be controlled by the 2'-8" o.c. maximum recommended spacing in Drysdale 1991. This cantilevering post design approach is detailed in Step 8(a) that follows.* 

*3. The design calculations for the alternative configuration in Figure 2-24 are provided in Step 8(b).* 

 *In order to accommodate roof slab deflections, a proprietary slide clip/continuous angle connection detail has been shown – see Figure 2-32. The continuous angle is required to correct for any out-of-straightness in the edge of the roof slab (in plan). Note that this particular slide clip provides little torsional restraint at the roof slab support and a line of bridging is therefore required. (Some slide clips do provide torsional restraint.)* 

 *For this purpose, flat strap face bridging is provided 12" below the roof support angle. The 12" distance between the reaction point and the line of bridging will induce warping torsional stresses in the studs which is checked in Step 8(c) using the model proposed in Appendix C. The bridging itself is checked in Step 8(e) (welded) and 8(f) (screwed).* 

 *For projects where the parapet is low, the line of bridging at the roof slab level may not*  be required because the parapet top track is close enough to provide adequate torsional *restraint. The warping torsional stresses, for this case could also be checked using the model proposed in Appendix C.*

## Step 8(a) – Cantilevering HSS Post Approach

# See Figure 2-26.



FIGURE 2-26

### i) Top Track

Assume continuous top tack supported by posts at 5'-4" o.c. For strength check assume a 2 span condition and for deflection assume 1 span.

Wind load on top track  $w =$  (parapet height/2)(28) =  $(4.83/2)(28)$  $= 67.6$  lb/ft

For the middle support of the 2 span case

$$
M_{req} = \frac{wL^2}{8} = \frac{67.6(5.33)^2}{8} \left(\frac{12}{1000}\right)
$$
  
= 2.88 in.kips  

$$
V_{req} = \frac{1.25wL}{2} = \frac{1.25(67.6)(5.33)}{2(1000)}
$$
  
= 0.225 kips

From load tables for 600T125-43 (33)

Mall = 9.11 in.kips > 2.88 in.kips *OK*

Vall = 1.377 kips > 0.225 kips *OK*

Combined bending and shear - *AISI Specification* Section C3.3.1 as revised in the *AISI Supplement*

$$
\sqrt{\left(\frac{\Omega_{\rm b} M}{M_{\rm nxo}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\Omega_{\rm v} V}{V_{\rm n}}\right)^2}
$$
  
=  $\sqrt{\left(\frac{M}{M_{\rm all}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{V}{V_{\rm all}}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{2.88}{9.11}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{0.225}{1.377}\right)^2}$   
= 0.36 < 1.00 *OK*

ii) Cantilevering Post

Try  $4'' \times 4'' \times 1/8''$  HSS ( $F_v = 33$  ksi) at  $5'-4''$  o.c. For HSS use the *AISI Specification*.



FIGURE 2-27

Required moment and shear - see Figure 2-27

 $P$  = track reaction = 1.25wL (for the two span track condition - worst case)  $= 1.25(67.6)(5.33)$  $= 450$  lb.  $M_{\text{req}} = PL = 450(4.83)(12/1000)$  $= 26.1$  in.kips  $V_{req} = P = 0.450$  kips

Properties from product literature *(STI 2005)*

 $w/t = 31.5$  $t = 0.116"$  $S_x = 2.20$  in<sup>3</sup>  $I = 4.40$  in<sup>4</sup>  $A = 1.77$  in<sup>2</sup>  $J = 6.91$  in<sup>4</sup>

Check if the HSS is subject to local buckling by the *AISI Specification* B2.1

A flat under uniform stress is the critical case.

$$
F_{cr} = \frac{k\pi^2 E}{12(1 - \nu^2)} \left(\frac{t}{w}\right)^2 = \frac{4\pi^2 29500}{12(1 - 0.3^2)} \left(\frac{1}{31.5}\right)^2
$$
  
= 107.5 ksi  

$$
\lambda = \sqrt{\frac{f}{F_{cr}}} = \sqrt{\frac{33}{107.5}}
$$

= 0.554 < 0.673 therefore no local buckling

Allowable moment

$$
Mall = FySx/Ω= 33(2.20)/1.67= 43.5 in.kips > 26.1 in.kips
$$
 *OK*

Allowable shear

By the *AISI Specification* Section C3.2.1

$$
\sqrt{\frac{Ek_{v}}{F_{y}}} = \sqrt{\frac{29500(5.34)}{33}} = 69.1
$$
  
h/t = 31.5 < 69.1 gives:  
F<sub>v</sub> = 0.60F<sub>y</sub> = 0.60(33)  
= 19.8 ksi  
V<sub>n</sub> = A<sub>w</sub>F<sub>y</sub> = (h/t)t<sup>2</sup>F<sub>y</sub> = 31.5(0.116)<sup>2</sup>(33)  
= 8.38 kips  
For 2 webs

$$
V_{all} = 2V_n / \Omega = 2(8.38) / 1.60
$$
  
= 10.5 kips > 0.450 kips

Combined bending and shear

By the *AISI Specification* Section C3.3.1 as revised *in the AISI Supplement*

$$
\sqrt{\left(\frac{\Omega_{\rm b} M}{M_{\rm nxo}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\Omega_{\rm v} V}{V_{\rm n}}\right)^2}
$$
  
=  $\sqrt{\left(\frac{M}{M_{\rm all}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{V}{V_{\rm all}}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{26.1}{43.5}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{0.450}{10.5}\right)^2}$   
= 0.60 < 1.00 *OK*

Deflection *(with 0.7 factor on wind load)*

$$
\delta = \frac{PL^3}{3EI} = \frac{0.7 (450)(4.83 \times 12)^3}{3 (29500)(1000)I}
$$

$$
= \frac{0.693}{I}
$$

The maximum permissible deflection is calculated using twice the length of the cantilever - see Note 2-12.

$$
\delta_{\text{max}} = \frac{2L_{\text{cant}}}{360} = \frac{2(4.83)(12)}{360}
$$

$$
= 0.322 \text{ in.}
$$

$$
I_{\text{req}} = \frac{0.693}{0.322}
$$

 $= 2.15$  in<sup>4</sup> < 4.40 in<sup>4</sup> *OK* 

Lateral-torsional buckling for HSS

From the *AISI Specification* Section C3.1.2.2

$$
L_{u} = \frac{0.36C_{b}\pi}{F_{y}S_{f}}\sqrt{EGJI_{y}}
$$

 $C_b = 1$  (conservative)  $F_v = 33$  ksi  $S_f = 2.20$  in<sup>3</sup>  $E = 29500$  ksi G = 11300 ksi  $I = 6.91$  in<sup>4</sup>  $I_{v} = 4.40$  in<sup>4</sup>

Substituting:

 $L_u = 1568$  in.  $>> 58"$  *OK* 

Therefore, no moment reduction for lateral buckling.

iii) Cantilevering Post Welding

See Figure 2-26, Details A and B.

The strength of welded joints with  $t > 0.10$ " is limited by the approximate method in Appendix A or shear through the effective throat of the weld itself.

Weld design data

 $t_{\text{min}} = 0.116$ "  $F_v = 33$  ksi Electrode  $F_{xx}$  = 60 ksi Allowable strength for 1/8" fillet weld

From Appendix A

$$
q_{all} = P_n / (L\Omega) = 0.75tF_u / \Omega
$$
  
= 0.75(0.116)(45)/3.05  
= 1.28 kips/in

From *AISI Specification* Section E2.4

$$
q_{all} = P_n / (L\Omega) = 0.75t_wF_{xx} / \Omega
$$
  
= 0.75(0.707)(0.125)(60)/2.55  
= 1.56 kip/in

Use  $q_{all} = 1.28$  kips/in

Cap plate to HSS post weld *(Figure 2-26 Detail B)*

 $V_{\text{req}}$  = track reaction = 0.450 kips

Required weld length *(cap plate thickness and Fy same as post)*

 $L_{req} = 0.450 / 1.28 = 0.35$ "

Supplied weld length =  $4" >> 0.35"$   $OK$ 

Embedded plate to HSS post weld *(Figure 2-26 Detail A)*

Aweld = 8 in. *(include only the welds to the webs here)*

$$
S_{\text{weld}} = I_{\text{weld}} / c
$$
  
= 2[(1/12)(4)<sup>3</sup> + (4)(2)<sup>2</sup>]/2  
= 21.3 in<sup>2</sup>

 $M_{\text{req}}$  = 26.1 in.kips  $V_{\text{req}} = 0.450 \text{ kips}$ 

The maximum required load per inch of weld length is given by the vector addition of the 2 stress components

$$
q_{req} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{M_{req}}{S_{weld}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{V_{req}}{A_{weld}}\right)^2}
$$

Substituting

$$
q_{\text{req}} = 1.23 \text{ kips/in} < 1.28 \text{ kips/in}
$$

## iv) Top track to post connection

Connect track to cap plate with 4 – #10-16 self drilling screws. *OK* by inspection.

### Step 8(b) – Cantilevering Typical Stud Approach

The parapet dimensions and loading are illustrated in Figure 2-28. See also Figure 2-32.



FIGURE 2-28

Reactions

Moments about A  $13.83R_B - 37.3(17.83)^2/2 = 0$ 

 $R_B = 429$  lb.

Required Moment and Shear

 $M_{\text{req}} = M_{\text{B}} = [37.3(4)^{2}/2][12/1000] = 3.58 \text{ in.kips}$ 

 $V_{req}$  (to the right of B) = 4(37.3) = 149 lb.

 $V_{\text{req}}$  (to the left of B) = R<sub>B</sub> - 149 = 429 - 149 = 280 lb.

Try 600S162-43 (33) stud

For span A - B, recheck allowable span lengths from Design Example #1 *(conservative approach that ignores the reduction in midspan moment and deflection due to the cantilever loading)*

The extra 10" in span length is *OK* by inspection.

For cantilever

$$
Mall = 16.68 in.kips > 3.58 in.kips
$$
  
\n
$$
Vall = 1.24 kips > 0.280 kips
$$

Check web crippling at B. See Note 2-11

*Note 2-11* 

*1. For the web crippling check to be valid, web punchouts are not permitted in the vicinity of the reaction at B. The required distance can be checked from the AISI Specification Section C3.4.2 Eq. C3.4.2-2 by setting*  $R_c = 1$  *and solving. Gives:* 

 $x = 1.89h + 0.887d_0$  *= 1.89(5.767)+ 0.887(1.50)*   $= 12.2$ "

 *Therefore, the required distance between the edge of bearing and the edge of the punchout must be* ≥ *12.2" for no reduction in web crippling.* 

Derive the web crippling allowable strength at B for interior one flange condition, unfastened and 3" bearing length. From the *AISI Specification* Section C3.4 and Table C3.4.1-2

$$
P_{all} = \frac{C t^2 F_y \sin \theta}{\Omega} \left( 1 - C_R \sqrt{\frac{R}{t}} \right) \left( 1 + C_N \sqrt{\frac{N}{t}} \right) \left( 1 - C_h \sqrt{\frac{h}{t}} \right)
$$

where:

 $R = 0.0712$ "  $t = 0.0451"$ Depth  $= 6$ " h = Depth -  $2t - 2R = 5.767$ "  $N = 3"$  $F_v$  = 33 ksi  $\theta$  = 90 degrees  $C = 13$  $C_R$  = 0.23  $C_N = 0.14$  $C_h$  = 0.01  $\Omega$  = 1.65

substituting

 $P_{\text{all}} = 0.714 \text{ kips} > 0.429 \text{ kips}$  *OK* 

Check combined bending and web crippling at B *(AISI Supplement Section C3.5.1 )*

$$
0.91\left(\frac{P}{P_n}\right) + \left(\frac{M}{M_{nxo}}\right) \le \frac{1.33}{\Omega}
$$

where:  $P = R_B = 0.429$  kips  $M = M_B = 3.58$  in.kips  $P_n = \Omega_w P_{all} = 1.65(0.714) = 1.178$  kips  $M_{\text{nxo}} = \Omega_{\text{b}}M_{\text{all}} = 1.67(16.68) = 27.9 \text{ in.kips}$  $Ω = 1.70$ 

Substituting:

$$
0.91\left(\frac{0.429}{1.178}\right) + \left(\frac{3.58}{27.9}\right) \le \frac{1.33}{1.70}
$$

0.46 ≤ 0.782 *OK*

Combined bending and shear

By the *AISI Specification* Section C3.3.1 as revised *in the AISI Supplement*

$$
\sqrt{\left(\frac{\Omega_b M}{M_{nxo}}\right)^2+\left(\frac{\Omega_v V}{V_n}\right)^2}=\sqrt{\left(\frac{M}{M_{all}}\right)^2+\left(\frac{V}{V_{all}}\right)^2}
$$

where:  $M = M_B = 3.58$  in.kips  $V = V_B = 0.280$  kips  $M_{all}$  = 16.68 in.kips  $V_{all}$  = 1.24 kips (use punched shear)

Substituting:

$$
\sqrt{\left(\frac{3.58}{16.68}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{0.280}{1.24}\right)^2} \le 1.00
$$

$$
0.31 \le 1.00
$$

Check Cantilever Deflection. *(See Note 2-12.)*

*Note 2 - 12* 

*In lightweight steel framing, it is common practice to check cantilever deflections assuming a deflection limit of L'/XXX (XXX = 360 for this example) where L' and the associated deflections are described in Figures 2-29 and 2-30. . This approach is based on the assumption that a cantilever is analogous to a portion of a simply supported beam.* 

*The simplified approach in Figure 2-29 is used here even though the slope is not zero at the base of the cantilever. A more rigorous model is shown in Figure 2-30 with Ls and* δ*c taken to the middle of the back span. Where deflected shapes are different from that shown in Figure 2-30, Ls and* δ*c can be taken instead to the point of zero slope.*



By computer analysis with all spans loaded as in Figure 2-28 except:  $w = 0.7(37.3) = 26.1$  lb/ft

$$
\delta_c = 0.172^{\circ}
$$
  
\n
$$
L' = 2L_c = 2(48^{\circ}) = 96^{\circ}
$$
  
\n
$$
L'/360 = 96/360 = 0.267^{\circ} > 0.172^{\circ}
$$

#### Step 8(c) – Warping Torsional Stresses for Cantilevering Typical Stud

As shown in Figure 2-30, there is a distance of 12" between the roof reaction point and the line of bridging. The torsional eccentricity of the reaction point (with respect to the shear center of the section) will induce warping torsional stresses in the studs which can be checked using the model proposed in Appendix C. See also Step 1(a) from this design example for additional background to the procedure.



FIGURE 2-31

The torsional loads on the "half-beam", w and P, are illustrated in Figure 2-31 and are derived as follows:

 $e = m = 0.670$  in. (distance from shear center to web centerline)  $h = depth - t = 6 - 0.0451 = 5.95$  in.

 $w = 28(16/12)(e/h) = (28)(16/12)(0.670/5.95)$  $= 4.20$  lb/ft

$$
P = (Reaction at B)(e/h) = (0.670/5.95)(429)
$$
  
= 48.3 lb.

The maximum required moment on the half-beam is found by computer analysis of the continuous beam illustrated in Figure 2-31. The top and bottom track and the bridging lines are supports for the half-beam. The maximum moment occurs at the location of the concentrated load, P *(the cantilever reaction point)*.

$$
M_{t(\text{req})} = 267 \text{ in.} lb
$$

Warping torsional stress:

$$
\sigma_{\rm w} = M_{\rm t(req)}/S_{\rm y} \ (S_{\rm y} \ from \ Step \ 1(a))
$$
  
= 267/0.0598  
= 4460 psi

Major axis bending stress:

$$
S_{x(eff)} = 0.767 \text{ in}^3
$$

 $M_{x(\text{req})}$  = 3580 in.lb (at the cantilever reaction point)

Then

 $σ_{bend} = M_{x (req)} / S_{x (eff)} = 3580 / 0.767$ = 4670 psi

R factor:

$$
R = \frac{\sigma_{bend}}{\sigma_{bend} + \sigma_w} = \frac{4670}{4670 + 4460}
$$

$$
= 0.512
$$

Reduced allowable moment  $=$  R.M<sub>all</sub>  $=$  0.512(16.68) = 8.54 in.kips > 3.58 in.kips *OK*

*Note 2-13* 

*For torsional eccentricity to the centerline of the flange: e = m + (flange width)/2 = 1.46"* 

> *For the half-beam w = 9.16 lb/ft P = 105 lb Mt(req) = 582 in.lb*  <sup>σ</sup>*w = 9730 psi*

*R.Mall = (0.324)(16.68) = 5.40 in.kips > 3.58 in.kips OK*

*Note that the R.M<sub>all</sub> should <u>not</u> be used in the interaction equations for moment and shear and moment and web crippling in Step 8(b).* 



FIGURE 2-32

#### Step 8(d) – Stud to Roof Slab Connection Design

i) Continuous Bent Plate

Use  $3'' \times 6''$  bent plate with long leg horizontal. By inspection,  $t = 1/4''$  is adequate.

ii) Proprietary Slide Clip

Check capacity with manufacturer's test reports.

iii) Concrete Anchor for Bent Plate to Roof Slab Connection



**FIGURE 2-33** 

Required shear  $V_{req} = R_B = 429 \text{ lb/stud (from Step 8(b))}$  $= 429(12/16) = 322$  lb/ft

Required tension from moments about "a" Figure 2-33  $T_{req} = (1.5/2)(322)$  $= 241$  lb/ft

Try 3/8" diameter wedge type expansion anchor with:

 $f_c' = 3000 \text{ psi}$ Edge distance  $= 3$ " Embedment = 2"

Allowable shear and tension *(from Design Example #1 – Step 8(k))*

$$
V_{\text{all}} = 675 \text{ lb.}
$$
  
T<sub>all</sub> = 612 lb.

Check interaction of shear and moment using the equation from Appendix B.1 Notes B.1 Item 9 with  $S =$  fastener spacing in feet.

$$
\left(\frac{ST}{T_{all}}\right)^{5/3} + \left(\frac{SV}{V_{all}}\right)^{5/3} \le 1.0
$$

$$
\left(\frac{241S}{612}\right)^{5/3} + \left(\frac{322S}{675}\right)^{5/3} \le 1.0
$$

Solving by trial and error

$$
S = 1.51
$$
 ft. o.c.

Use 18" o.c.

For jamb locations (by inspection) use 2 anchors spaced at  $S_{cr} = 4-1/2$ " *(For S<sub>cr</sub> see Design Example #1 Step 8(k) Table 1-3)* 

iv) Bent Plate Bending Strength between Concrete Anchors

*OK* by inspection.

v) Slide Clip to Bent Plate Welded Connection

See Figure 2-34.





 $R_B = 429$  lb/stud *(from Step 8(b))* 

Assuming a uniform stress along the length of the weld the load per weld is given by taking moments about "a"

 $T = (6R<sub>B</sub> / 4.125)/2$  *(welds top and bottom)*  $=[6(429)/4.125]/2$ = 312 lb. per weld

For both the slide clip and the bent plate  $F_u = 65$  ksi

Allowable weld strength per inch of weld length is given by:  $q_{all} = P_n/(\Omega L) = 0.75tF_u/\Omega$  (Appendix A.1)  $= (0.75)(0.0713)(65)(1000)/3.05$ = 1140 lb/inch of weld length

Required weld length =  $T_{\text{req}}$  /  $q_{\text{all}}$  $= 312/1140$  $= 0.27$ " per weld

Use 1" weld length top and bottom as a minimum practical weld length.

vi) Slide Clip to Bent Plate Powder Actuated Fastener (PAF) Connection

See Figure 2-35 and Note 2-14

 $R_B = 429$  lb/stud *(from Step 8(b))* 

Assuming equal tensile force in each PAF the force in each PAF is given by taking moments about "a"

 $T = (6R_B/3.625)/2$  (2 PAF's)  $=[6(429)/3.625]/2$  $= 355$  lb/PAF





Allowable strength per PAF *(Appendix B.4)*

For the bent plate  $F_u$  = 65 ksi and t =  $1/4$ " PAF diameter = 0.145"

> From Appendix B.4  $T_{\text{all}} = 675 \text{ lb.} > 355 \text{ lb.}$  *OK*

Check pullover assuming the *AISI Specification* Section E4.4.2 applies to PAF's

For head diameter = 0.322" *(Appendix B.4 Table B.4-1)*

 $P_{\text{all}} = P_{\text{nov}} / \Omega = 1.5t_1 d_w F_{\text{u1}} / \Omega$  $= (1.5)(0.0713)(0.322)(65)(1000)/3$  $= 746$  lb.  $> 355$  lb.  $OK$ 

# *Note 2-14*

*Where powder actuated fasteners act in tension it is preferred to provide two or more fasteners in the interests of structural redundancy. Also where earthquake design is a consideration, there may be restrictions on the use of powder actuated fasteners in tension see Note 1-14.* 

## Step 8(e) – Welded Flat Strap Bridging Design

As discussed in Note 2-10 Item 3, the proprietary slide clip is assumed to provide no torsional restraint and a line of bridging is required. The line of bridging is shown in Figure 2-32, a distance of 12" from the roof reaction point  $(R_B)$ . For the bridging flat strap details see Figure 2-36. For blocking-in details see Figure 2-37.



Note: For blocking-in connection details see Figures 2-37 & 2-38.

## FIGURE 2-36

Check bridging force required to restrain the stud according to the *AISI Supplement* Section D3.2.2. The reaction at  $R_B$  will induce twisting in the stud which in turn is partially relieved by the applied wind load.

From Step 8(b)  $R_B = 429$  lb. and  $m = 0.670$ "  $d = 5.95$ " (centreline stud depth)

The force  $R_B$  is within 0.3a of the bridging line, therefore:

 $P_L = (m/d)R_B$  $=(0.670/5.95)(429)$  $= 48.3$  lb.

*(The applied wind load 0.5a either side of the bridging line offsets PL and has been conservatively neglected here.)* 

Assume blocking-in every 9 stud spaces = 12'-0" o.c.

The accumulated required bridging force  $T_{req} = T = 9(48.3) = 435$  lb.

Try 1-1/2" x 0.0451" flat strap bridging *(Figure 2-36)*

Check tensile capacity of flat strap – gross cross section check only – *AISI Specification* Section C2.

 $T_{\text{all}} = T_{\text{n}} / \Omega = A_{\text{g}} F_{\text{y}} / \Omega$  $= (1.50)(0.0451)(33)/1.67$ = 1.34 kips > 0.435 kips *OK*

Blocking-in connection - see Figure 2-37.



FIGURE 2-37

The blocking-in is essentially a shear panel with equal and opposite applied loads, T, and with the internal forces, V, required for rotational equilibrium. The forces, V, are in turn resisted by the major axis bending strength of the connecting studs. Also see Note 2-15.

#### *Note 2-15*

*The design of blocking-in is based on the assumption that the load in the interior flat strap is resisted by an equal and opposite load in the exterior flat strap. But equal and opposite flat strap loads are not always possible – the end of a run of wall is one such example. In this case, some additional flat strap anchorage is required such as connection to a built-up jamb with sufficient weak axis strength and stiffness or connection to a primary structural element such as a column or shearwall. Also, it may be advantageous to space the blocking-in more closely than shown here such that any unbalanced loads when they do occur are relatively small.* 

The details in Figure 2-37 assume that there is no direct weld between the flat strap and the blocking-in. *(It is difficult to weld a 1-1/2" wide flat strap to a 1-5/8" flange.)* 

First, the strap loads are transferred to the flanges of two studs adjacent to the blocking-in. The weld is the typical strap to stud weld called up in Figure 2-36 *(not shown in Figure 2-37)*.

Check weld capacity - strap load is transferred through 2 studs adjacent to the blocking-in with 2 welds per stud for a total weld length of  $4 \times 1$ " = 4".

$$
V_{\text{all}} = 0.75tLF_{\text{u}}/\Omega = (0.75)(0.0451)(4)(45)/3.05
$$
  
= 2.00 kips > 0.435 kips

Then the loads are transferred to the blocking-in via the welds shown in Figure 2-37. But these welds are also simultaneously resisting the internal shear force V. Each of the 4 welds in Figure 2-35 is therefore subject to  $T/2$  and  $V/2$ .

$$
V_{\text{req}} = V = 6T/14.375 = 6(435)/14.375
$$
  
= 182 lb.

For each 1" weld:

Required resultant load =  $\sqrt{(\rm V_{req}/2)^2+(\rm T_{req}/2)^2}=\sqrt{(182/2)^2+(435/2)^2}$ = 236 lb. per weld  $V_{\text{all}} = 0.75tLF_{\text{u}}/\Omega = (0.75)(0.0451)(1)(45)(1000)/3.05$  $= 499$  lb.  $> 235$  lb.  $OK$ 

For torsional eccentricity to the centreline of the flange see Note 2-16.

# Step 8(f) – Screwed Flat Strap Bridging Design

Refer to Step 8(e) for the derivation of the required loads  $T_{req}$  and  $V_{req}$ . Refer also to Note 2-15. For the bridging flat strap details see Figure 2-36. For blocking-in details see Figure 2-38.





From Step 8(e) assuming again blocking-in every 9 stud spaces:  $T_{req} = T = 435$  lb.  $V_{req} = V = 182$  lb.

Try 1-1/2" x 0.0451" flat strap bridging *(Figure 2-36)*

Check tensile capacity of flat strap – net cross section check because of the screw hole *(The AISI Specification does not include an explicit design procedure for checking fracture in the net section at the connection where screw fasteners are used. For the purposes of this example, Equation C2-2 Section C2(b) is assumed to apply at the connection. Note that more conservative expressions for checking fracture at the connection are available in Section E3.2 but these are intended for bolted connections and may or may not apply to screwed connections.)*

#10-16 self-drilling screw diameter = 0.190" *(Table A-2)*

 $T_{\text{all}} = A_n F_u / \Omega$  $= (1.50 - 0.19)(0.0451)(45)/2.00$ = 1.33 kips > 0.435 kips *OK*

Gross area check – see Step 8(e) *OK*

From Step 5(d) the allowable shear strength of the #10-16 self-drilling screw is given by:

 $V_{\text{all}} = 263 \text{ lb/ screw } (t_1 = t_2 = 0.0451$ ")

Unlike the welded detail, the flat strap is screw connected directly to the blocking-in. This connection is shown in Figure 2-36.

Number of screws require for the flat strap to blocking-in connection is given by:

No. of screws = 
$$
T_{req} / 263 = 435 / 263 = 1.7
$$
 screws  
Use 2 screws

Blocking-in connection - see Figure 2-38

The angle connection in shear was previously investigated in Design Example #1 Step 8(f). The same clip angle detailing as illustrated in Figure 1-18 is assumed here.

From that example:

Vreq = 296 lb. *(required shear applied to the connection)*

resulting in:  $V_{\text{req}}$  / screw = 158 lb.

But:  $V<sub>all</sub> / screw = 263 lb.$ 

Therefore, the maximum allowable strength of the connection is given by:

$$
V_{\text{all}} = (263/158)(296)
$$
  
= 493 lb. > 182 lb. *OK*

For torsional eccentricity to the centerline of the flange, see Note 2-16.

*Note 2-16 For torsional eccentricity to the centerline of the flange: e = m + (flange width)/2 = 1.46" Gives: Treq = 948 lb. Vreq = 397 lb. For welded blocking-in use same details but reduce spacing to 8 stud spaces (calculations not shown here) For screwed blocking-in use same spacing and details except increase the number of screws connecting the strap to blocking to 4 (calculations not shown here).* 

# Step 8(g) – Parapets and Cantilevering Studs at Window Locations

The calculations for window locations have not been done here. The following should be considered:

- 1. The built-up jamb stud should be carried through to the top of the parapet. Check for the same limit states as the typical stud. The connection to the roof slab will require reinforcement.
- 2. The window built-up head detail should account for the extra weight, sag and accidental vertical loads applied to the parapet.
- 3. The cantilevering studs that extend upwards from the window head will alter the window head lateral loads compared with the typical case.

# Design Example #3 Wind Bearing Wall with Strip Windows

# Introduction

This design example reviews three alternative methods for framing strip windows with cold-formed steel framing. Detailed design calculations are presented for the third alternative, studs outside the face of the structure.

The calculations assume welded connections and an all steel system where the restraint of the sheathings is ignored. Where accounted for, torsional eccentricities are taken to the centerline of the web.

The section numbers for the design of individual components are identified in Figure 3- 1.

Refer also to the following:

- Step 2 Design Wind Loads
- Step 3 Design Earthquake Loads
- Step 4 Alternative Design Approaches
- Step 9 Alternative Detail for Shop Applied Finishes

# Step 1 – Given

- Stud Spacing  $= 24$ " o.c.
- Stud depth  $= 6"$
- Deflection Limit =  $L/360$
- Welded Connections
- Sheathings are assumed not to provide torsional or weak axis restraint for the studs.
- Finishes are field applied
- Weight of wall and window = 16 psf
- Geometry *(in elevation)* illustrated in Figure 3-2.

# Step 2 – Design Wind Loads

Load combination factors for allowable strength design (ASD) are based on ASCE 7-05 *(ASCE 2005)* Section 2.4. For strength, the full nominal wind load is used. For deflection, 0.7 times the nominal wind load is used. For further discussion refer to the Introduction Item 3.2.

From the governing building code, the nominal wind load = 30 psf

Design wind load for strength =  $(1.00)30 = 30$  psf Design wind load for deflection =  $0.70(30)$  = 21 psf



 $(A)$ 



# Step 3 – Design Earthquake Loads

From the governing building code for lateral force on elements of structures:

Nominal seismic force acting in any horizontal direction:



where  $W_p$  = the weight of an element or component

# Step 4 – Alternative Design Approaches

### Step 4(a) – Punched Window Approach (Design Alternative #1)

If each strip window is to be treated as a punched window, then the window head and sill member must be able to span horizontally between the window jambs spaced at 18'- 4".

Check the ability of the window sill to span 18'-4".

Wind load tributary width:  $= (6.08 + 2.58)/2 = 4.33'$ 

Required moment

$$
M_{\text{req}} = [4.33(30)(18.33)^{2}/8][12/1000] = 65.5 \text{ in.kips}
$$

Required inertia

$$
\delta = \frac{5 \text{wL}^4}{384 \text{EI}} = \frac{5(4.33)(30)(0.70)(220)^4}{12(384)(29.5)(10^6) \text{I}}
$$

$$
= \frac{7.83}{\text{I}} \text{ in.}
$$

Substituting  $δ = L/360 = 220/360$  in. and solving for I gives:

 $I_{req}$  = 7.83(360)/220 = 12.8 in<sup>4</sup>

For built-up window sill illustrated in Figure 3-3, try 600S162-68 (50) stud and 600T125-68 (50) track. *(Track with Fy = 50 ksi may require a special order.)*



FIGURE 3-3

From load tables *(see Note 1-3 for an alternative approach to built-up member analysis)*:

$$
M_{\text{all}} = 39.5 + 2(25.7)
$$
  
= 90.9 in.kips > 65.5 in.kips  

$$
I_{x(\text{def})} = 3.52 + 2(2.93)
$$
  
= 9.38 in<sup>4</sup> < 12.8 in<sup>4</sup> *UNSATISFACTORY*

Sill deflections are excessive even for a built-up section made with thick members. Therefore, the punched window approach with CFSF is not practical.

# Step 4(b) – CFSF Mullions (Design Alternative #2)

The span length of window head and sill members can be reduced with the introduction of CFSF mullions as shown in Figure 3-4.



This alternative is not usually acceptable architecturally since the visual effect of the strip window is compromised.

For design purposes, the strip window has been reduced to a series of punched windows which are similar to the infill Design Examples #1 and #2.

## Step 4(c) – Cantilevering Head and Sill (Design Alternative #3)

This detail as illustrated in Figure 3-5 is generally not acceptable. As was discussed under cantilevering parapets *(see Note 2-10 Item 2)*, anchoring conventional track to the structure will create neither a strong nor a stiff moment connection.

This detail will work if anchor plates are cast into the floor slabs at regular intervals and cantilevering hot-rolled angles, channels or hollow structural sections are welded in place. The CFSF members are designed as infill around the hot-rolled cantilevers. This is similar to the approach illustrated in Design Example #2 Step 8(a).

Note that with this type of detail, the differential slab deflections will be accommodated within the aluminum extrusions for the window. This requirement should be specified on the project contract documents.





### Step 4(d) – Studs Outside the Face of the Structure (Design Alternative #4)

See Figure 3-6. This approach is generally the most satisfactory way of framing strip windows and it will be used in the following design example.

 As for Step 4(c), Design Alternative #3, the differential slab deflections will be accommodated within the aluminum extrusions for the window. This requirement should be specified on the project contract documents. For purposes of the design example, assume a structural steel building with deck reinforced slab floors.



# Step 5 – Typical Stud Design

### Step 5(a) – Wind Loading

The wind load diagram on the typical stud is shown in Figure 3-7. Dimensions are to center lines of supports at B and C assuming a 2" x 2" angle at B.



FIGURE 3-7

### *Note 3-1*

*Co-ordination with the hot-rolled steel design is required to insure that adequate bottom flange braces are provided to pick up the stud reaction at B.* 

 $P = (6.08/2)(30)(2) = 182$  lb per stud

From moments about B  $2.33R<sub>C</sub> + 1.17(182) + 60(1.17)^{2}/2 - 60(5.17)^{2}/2 - 5.17(182) = 0$ 

 $R_C = 639$  lb.

 $R_B = 6.33(60) + 2(182) - 639 = 105$  lb.

Maximum moment at C

 $M_{req} = [60(2.83)^{2}/2 + 182(2.83)](12/1000)$ = 9.06 in.kips

Maximum shear to the right of C

$$
V_{req} = 182 + 60(2.83)
$$
  
= 352 lb.

Maximum deflection at D by computer analysis with all spans loaded as in Figure 3-7 except:

$$
w = 60(0.70) = 42 \, \text{lb/ft}
$$

gives

 $\delta_c$  = 0.1520/ I in. at the end of the cantilever

Use 2L<sub>c</sub> for cantilever deflection limit *(See Note 2-12)* 

 $\delta_{\text{allowable}} = (2)(34)/360 = 0.189$ "

 $I_{req} = 0.1520/0.189 = 0.804$  in<sup>4</sup>

Try 600S162-43 (33) stud



Combined bending and shear

By the *AISI Specification* Section C3.3.1 as revised in the *AISI Supplement*

$$
\sqrt{\left(\frac{\Omega_b M}{M_{nxo}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\Omega_v V}{V_n}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{M}{M_{all}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{V}{V_{all}}\right)^2}
$$

where:  $M = M_{\text{req}}$  at  $C = 9.06$  in.kips  $V = V_{\text{req}}$  at  $C = 0.352$  kips  $M_{all}$  = 16.68 in.kips  $V_{all}$  = 1.24 kips (use punched shear)

Substituting:

$$
\sqrt{\left(\frac{9.06}{16.68}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{0.352}{1.24}\right)^2} \le 1.00
$$
  
0.61 \le 1.00 *OK*

### *Note 3-2*

*No web crippling check is required here because the connection transfers shear directly from the web of the stud. This contrasts with the flange clip connection in Design Example #2 Step 8(b) where both web crippling and combined web crippling and bending must be checked.* 

Check lateral instability

*OK* by inspection. See Design Example #2, Step 1(b) for procedure to follow.

### *Note 3-3*

*Based on the above design checks, a 600S162-33 (33) stud would be a possible alternative selection. The 600S162-43 stud, with a design thickness of 0.0451", has been chosen to facilitate welding. See Design Example #2 Step 6 for further discussion.* 

## Step 5(b) – Earthquake Loading

Wind loads are applied normal to the wall surface while earthquake loads can act in any horizontal direction.

Earthquake loads acting in the plane of the wall, including earthquake forces on the windows, are transferred to the wall through the connectors. These forces can be distributed by the weak axis strength of the studs, the shear diaphragm strength of the finishes or flat strap cross bracing when present.

To be consistent with the "all steel" design approach used for this example, the earthquake forces are assumed to be distributed by the weak axis bending strength and stiffness of the studs.

### *Note 3-4*

*When the diaphragm stiffness of the sheathings substantially exceeds the weak axis bending stiffness of the studs and if the sheathings and their connectors lack the necessary diaphragm strength and ductility then, the studs will only be mobilized once the sheathings are damaged. To avoid sheathing damage - provide adequate diaphragm strength or add flat strap cross bracing.* 

Assume moments and reactions due to earthquake can be found by proportioning the wind load effects.

From ASCE 2005 ASD, the governing earthquake load combination is  $D + 0.7E$ 

Earthquake load acting on exterior walls with  $F_p = 0.288W_p$  $= 0.7(0.288)W_p = 0.7(0.288)(16)$  $= 3.23$  psf

Wind load = 30 psf

By proportioning the wind load moment at C, the applied weak axis earthquake moment is given by:

 $M_{req} = (3.23/30)(9.06) = 0.975$  in.kips

From load tables choose the lesser of the weak axis moment with the lips or the web in compression.

$$
M_{\text{all}} = 2.13 > 0.975 \text{ in.kips}
$$

A 600S162-43 stud has adequate strength for in-plane earthquake forces without relying on the shear diaphragm strength of the finishes or additional cross bracing.

Therefore, for both wind and earthquake, use a 600S162-43 (33) studs at 24" o.c.

# Step 6 – Typical Track

It is industry standard practice to match track thickness and stud thickness unless there is a structural requirement for heavier track. In this example, 600T125-43 (33) would satisfy both industry standard practice and structural requirements. However, in the interests of providing additional resistance to construction abuse, the heavier 600T125-54 (50) has been selected instead.
# Step 7 – Typical Stud Connections



FIGURE 3-8



Step 7(a) – Lateral Support Connection at B Under Wind Load – Body of the Connector

Section X-X Enlarged



## *Note 3-5*

- *1. This connection resists the lateral wind reaction and is assumed to act as a torsional restraint for the stud. A rigorous analysis of this connection detail would be quite complex but this has been avoided here through the use of a number of conservative and simplifying assumptions.*
- *2. Section properties for the 2" x 2" x 0.0713" are not available in the product literature and can be obtained from the formulas in AISI 2002b Part I or by interpolation as done here.*

Try 2" x 2" x 0.0713" cold-formed angle

For properties, linearly interpolate between properties for  $2'' \times 2'' \times 0.060''$ and 0.075" angles as provided in AISI 2002b Part I Table I-7. *(Linear interpolation is acceptable for the properties shown here but may not be for other properties.)* 



FIGURE 3-10



 $A = Area = 0.273$  in<sup>2</sup>

 $x =$  distance to centroid = 0.540 in.

 $S_x$  = section modulus about horizontal axis = 0.0758 in<sup>3</sup>

and the stud shear centre to the back of the stud is given by: m -  $t/2$  = 0.670 - 0.0451/2 = 0.647"

The loading on the angle is based on the following:

- The connection between the angle and the stud transfers the torsional restraint component *Rm - Kawm (discussed in Appendix I)*. For the design of the angle, it is conservative to neglect this torsional component.
- The stud shear is transferred from the web of the stud to the angle with an eccentricity about the vertical axis of the angle.
- The axial load in the angle is transferred to the bottom flange of the hotrolled beam with an eccentricity about the horizontal axis of the angle.
- Conservatively assume the axial load in the angle is applied with an eccentricity about both axes on both ends.
- Use the simplified analysis method proposed in Appendix H for fully effective behavior.

Use the simplified analysis method proposed in Appendix H. For fully effective behavior compressive stresses are limited to:

$$
f = \frac{5190}{(w/t)^2}
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{5190}{(1.741/0.0713)^2} = 8.70
$$
ksi

By inspection, overall stability effects can be neglected. Check interaction for strength only by the *AISI Specification* Section C5.2.1:

$$
\frac{\Omega_c P}{P_{no}} + \frac{\Omega_b M_x}{M_{nx}} + \frac{\Omega_b M_y}{M_{ny}} \le 1
$$

Where:

 $P$  = required wind load at B  $= 105$  lb.

$$
M_x = M_y = Pe = 105(0.540)
$$
  
= 56.7 in lb

 $P_{no} = Af = (0.273)(8700) = 2375 lb.$ 

 $M_{nx} = M_{ny} = Sf = 0.0758(8700) = 659$  in.lb

$$
\Omega_b = 1.67
$$
  

$$
\Omega_c = 1.80
$$

Substituting:

$$
\frac{1.80(105)}{2375} + \frac{1.67(56.7)}{659} + \frac{1.67(56.7)}{659}
$$
  
= 0.37 < 1.00 *OK*

#### Step 7(b) – Lateral Support Connection at B Under Earthquake Load – Body of the Connector



Assume the earthquake reaction at B can be found by proportioning the wind load effect.

For D + 0.7E load case and  $F_p = 0.288W_p$  $E/Q$  load = (0.7)(0.288) $W_p = (0.7)(0.288)(16) = 3.23$  psf Wind Load = 30 psf  $P_{\text{WIND}} = R_B = 105$  lb *(Step 5a)*  $P_{E/Q}$  = 105(3.23/30)  $= 11.3$  lb.

 $P_{E/Q}$  induces a moment in the angle with a lever arm of say  $4-1/2$ " to the centerline of the 1" weld *(Figure 3-11)*.

 $M_{req} = 4.5(11.3) = 50.9$  in.lb

Using the limiting stress from Step 7(a) for fully effective behavior

$$
M_{\text{all}} = Sf / \Omega_{b}
$$
  
= 0.0758(8700)/1.67  
= 395 in.1b > 50.9 in.1b  
OK

Therefore, a  $2'' \times 2'' \times 0.0713''$  angle is adequate for both wind and earthquake.

#### *Note 3-6*

*The 2" x 2" x 0.0713" angle has a large strength reserve. This reserve is useful for miscellaneous parts since they can be engineered with a minimum of effort without too much concern for precise eccentricities and loads. Also, the welding position for these parts is often awkward and the thicker 0.0713" material is less susceptible to welding damage.* 

#### Step 7(c) – Lateral Support at B Under Wind or Earthquake Load – Welds at Either End

The welds have substantial strength reserve and are *OK* by inspection.

### Step 7(d) – Vertical and Lateral Support at C Under Dead and Wind Load – Body of the **Connector**





 $P_{\text{WIND}} = R_c = 639$  lb

 $P_{DL}$  = (stud spacing)( $W_D$ )( $H_{FLR/FLR}$ )  $= (2)(16)(12.42)$  $= 397 lb$ 

See Figure 3-13.



FIGURE 3-13

 $\mathrm{P}_1=\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{DL}}=397\:\text{lb}$ 

 $P_2 = P_{\text{WIND}} = 639$ lb

The couple  $P_3$  is the torsional restraint component at C.

The required torsional restraint is given by *Rm - Kawm* from Appendix I. *(Unlike the previous design examples the component Kawm is included here.)* 

gives

$$
P_3 = \frac{Rm - Kawm}{d}
$$

where:

d = 4" for center to center spacing of 1" long welds when studs are 1" from face of structure

 $m =$  centerline of web to shear center of stud = 0.670 in.

$$
R = R_c = P_2 = 639 \, \text{lb.}
$$
\n
$$
K = 0.67 \, (Appendix \, I)
$$
\n
$$
a = \text{average distance to adjacent torsional braces} = (2.83 + 2.33)/2 = 2.58 \, \text{ft.}
$$

 $w = 2(30) = 60$  lb/ft

Substituting:

$$
P_3 = \frac{639(0.670) - 0.67(2.58)(60)(0.670)}{4}
$$

 $= 89.7$  lb.

Calculate thickness of angle, t.

A = 5t Sx = (1/4)t(5)2 = 4.17t Zy = (1/4)(5)t2 = 1.25t2 *(The plastic section modulus is used here)* Mx = P1(4) = 397(4) = 1588 in.lb My = P3(4) = 89.7(4) = 359 in.lb T = P2 = 639 lb.

Combined stresses – stability effects are negligible. *(The following stress check is equivalent to checking the AISI Specification Section C5.2.1 for strength only.)*

$$
\frac{M_X}{S_X} + \frac{M_Y}{Z_Y} + \frac{T}{A} = \frac{F_y}{1.67}
$$
  
For F<sub>y</sub> = 50 ksi  

$$
\frac{1588}{4.17t} + \frac{359}{1.25t^2} + \frac{639}{5t} = \frac{50000}{1.67}
$$

Gives:  $29940$ t<sup>2</sup> - 509t - 287 = 0

Solving the quadratic gives:

 $t = 0.107$  in.

Use the next standard CFSF thickness t = 0.1242" *(design thickness for 10 ga.)*

### Step 7(e) – Vertical and Lateral Support at C under Dead and Earthquake Load – Body of the Connector

The distribution of earthquake forces to the reaction points B and C in Figure 3-6 is similar (i.e. proportional) to the distribution of wind forces. The earthquake reaction can, therefore, be found by proportioning the wind load reaction. See Figure 3-14.





For the load case D + 0.7E and  $F_p = 0.288W_p$  $E/Q$  load = 0.7(0.288)(16) = 3.23 psf

Wind load = 30 psf

 $P_{\text{WIND}} = R_C = 639 \text{ lb}$  (Step 5a)

$$
P_{E/Q} = 639(3.23/30) = 68.8
$$
 lb.

Due to dead load:  $M<sub>X</sub>$  = 1588 in.lb (Step 7d) Due to earthquake:  $M_Y = (P_{E/Q})(4) = (68.8)(4)$ = 275 in.lb

Compared with the wind and dead load case, the earthquake moments are less severe and  $t = 0.1242$ " is *OK* by inspection.

Therefore, based on dead, wind and earthquake load cases use t = 0.1242" *(10 ga)* bent plate  $2" \times 6"$  angle in 50 ksi steel  $\times 5"$  long.

#### Step 7(f) – Vertical and Lateral Support at C Under Dead and Wind Load – Angle to Stud Welds

See Figure 3-13.

For the  $D + W$  load case

Each weld is loaded by 3 orthogonal forces. The required forces from Step 7(d) are given by:

 $P_1$  = 397 lb.  $P_2$  = 639 lb.  $P_3 = 89.7$  lb.

Assuming a uniform stress along the length of each weld *(see Note 3-7)* the required resultant shear per weld is given by:

$$
V_{req} = \sqrt{(P_1 / 4)^2 + (P_2 / 4)^2 + (P_3 / 2)^2}
$$
  
=  $\sqrt{(397 / 4)^2 + (639 / 4)^2 + (89.7 / 2)^2}$ 

= 193 lb/weld

#### *Note 3-7*

*The weld stresses resulting from the torsional restraint forces, P3, have been treated in an approximate and possibly unconservative fashion here by assuming that the resulting weld stresses are uniform along the length of the weld. A more rigorous solution, consistent with the assumptions in Appendix G, would be :* 

- *Calculate the linear section properties for the weld group, Sweld*
- *Using the linear method calculate the maximum required load per inch of weld length*   $q_{req} = M_{req} / S_{weld}$  (where  $M_{req} = 4P_3$  in this example). Convert the other components to *required loads per inch of weld length and find the resultant maximum q<sub>req</sub> using the square root function.*
- *Compare the resultant qreq with the allowable weld capacity per inch of length as given by*  $q_{all} = P_n / (LΩ) = 0.75$   $tF_u / Ω$

*The "exact" procedure has been demonstrated in Design Example #2 Step 5(e) and Design Example #3, Steps 7(h) and 7(i). Given the strength reserve in this weld group the extra design time for the "exact" procedure is not justified.*

#### Step 7(g) – Vertical and Lateral Support at C Under Dead and Earthquake Load – Angle to Stud Welds

See Figures 3-13 and 3-14.

*Note 3-8* 

*The earthquake load for weld design is higher than the earthquake load for the design of the body of the connector. See Step 3.* 

For the D + 0.7E load case and  $F_p = 0.900W_p$ . *(See Note 3-8.)* 

Earthquake Load =  $0.7(0.900)(16) = 10.1$  psf

Wind load = 30 psf

 $P_{\text{WIND}} = R_c = 639 \text{ lb.}$  (Step 5a)

Assume the earthquake reaction can be found by proportioning the wind load reaction at C.

 $P_{E/Q}$  = 639(10.1/30) = 215 lb.

 $P_1 = P_{DL} = 397$  lb. (Step 7d)

Assuming  $P_{E/O}$  is distributed equally to all 4 welds, the required resultant shear per weld is given by:

$$
V_{\text{req}} = \sqrt{(P_1 / 4)^2 + (P_{\text{E}/\text{Q}} / 4)^2}
$$

$$
= \sqrt{(397 / 4)^2 + (215 / 4)^2}
$$

 $= 113$  lb/weld < 193 lb/weld due to dead + wind

Therefore,  $dead + wind from Step 7(f) controls with:$ 

 $V_{\text{req}}$  = 193 lb/weld

The weld strength is governed by the steel properties for the stud

$$
V_{\text{all}} = 0.75tLF_{\text{u}}/\Omega
$$
  
= 0.75(0.0451)(1)(45000)/3.05  
= 499 lb/weld > 193 lb/weld  
OK

Therefore, use the angle to stud welds illustrated in Figure 3-13.

## Step 7(h) – Vertical and Lateral Support at C Under Dead and Wind Load - Angle to Concrete Pour Stop Welds

The calculation of resultant shears acting on the weld group is somewhat complex and reference is made to the general method outlined in Appendix G.

*Note 3-9* 

- *1. The sign convention in Appendix G can be confusing. In the appendix and Figure 3-15, all forces, moments and stresses are shown in the positive direction. Co-ordinates x, y and z are positive or negative in the usual sense. While the Appendix G sign convention has been followed here, in some cases it may be simpler to just handle the sign of resulting stresses intuitively.*
- *2. The critical element of weld has been selected where stresses are maximum and also where no weld stress relief is possible due to the direct bearing between parts.*



Weld Configuration with Axes Through the Centroid of the Weld Group



See Figures 3-13 and 3-15.

For the  $D + W$  load combination, the required forces are given in Step 7(d).

 $P_1 = 397$  lb.  $P_2$  = 639 lb.  $P_3 = 89.7$  lb. Try 1-1/2" long welds.  $P_X = 0$ 

 $P_Y = -P_1 = -397$  lb.  $P_Z = P_2 = 639$  lb.  $M_X = 4P_1 = 4(397) = 1588$  in.lb  $M_Y = 4P_3 + 1P_2$  $= 4(89.7) + 1(639)$  = 998 in.lb  $M_Z = 1(P_1) = 1(397)$  = 397 in.lb Linear properties with t=1  $A = 4(1.5) = 6.0$  in.  $I_X = 4[(1/12)(1.5)^3 + 1.5(1.75)^2]$ 

$$
I_X = \frac{4(1.7 \text{ L})(1.5)^{3} + 1.50}{1.50}
$$
  
= 19.5 in<sup>3</sup>  

$$
I_Y = 4(1.5)(1)^2
$$
  
= 6.0 in<sup>3</sup>

$$
I_Z = I_X + I_Y = 25.5
$$
 in<sup>3</sup>

For the critical element of weld in Figure 3-15 with due regard to signs *(see Note 3-9)*:

$$
q_x' = P_x/A = 0
$$
  
\n
$$
q_y' = P_y/A = -397/6.0 = -66.2 \text{ lb/in}
$$
  
\n
$$
q_z' = P_z/A = 639/6.0 = 106.5 \text{ lb/in}
$$
  
\n
$$
q_x'' = Mzy/I_z = 397(2.5)/25.5 = 38.9 \text{ lb/in}
$$
  
\n
$$
q_y'' = M_zx/I_z = 397(-1)/25.5 = -15.6 \text{ lb/in}
$$
  
\n
$$
q_z'' = Mxy/I_x - M_yx/I_y = 1588(2.5)/19.5 - (998)(-1)/6.0 = 370 \text{ lb/in}
$$
  
\n
$$
q_x = q_x' - q_x'' = 0 -38.9 = -38.9 \text{ lb/in}
$$
  
\n
$$
q_y = q_y' + q_y'' = -66.2 - 15.6 = -81.8 \text{ lb/in}
$$
  
\n
$$
q_z = q_z' + q_z'' = 106.5 + 370 = 476.5 \text{ lb/in}
$$

$$
q_{req} = \sqrt{q_x^2 + q_y^2 + q_z^2}
$$
  
=  $\sqrt{(38.9)^2 + (81.8)^2 + (476.5)^2}$   
= 485 lb/in

#### Step 7(i) – Vertical and Lateral Support at C Under Dead and Earthquake Load – Angle to Concrete Pour Stop Welds

See Figures 3-13, 3-14 and 3-15.

For the D + 0.7E load case and  $F_p = 0.900W_p$ .

From Step 7(g):  $P_{E/Q} = \pm 215$  lb.

From Step 7(d)  $P_{DL}$  = 397 lb.

PX = 215 lb. *(assuming PE/Q acts in the positive X direction)*

 $P_Y = -P_1 = -397$  lb.

 $P_Z = 0$ 

 $M_X = 4P_1 = 4(397) = 1588$  in.lb

$$
M_Y = 4P_{E/Q} = 4(215) = 860
$$
 in.1b

 $M_Z = 1(P_1) = 1(397)$ = 397 in.lb

Linear properties from Step 7(h)  $A = 6.0$  in.  $I_X = 19.5$  in<sup>3</sup>  $I_Y = 6.0$  in<sup>3</sup>  $I_Z = 25.5$  in<sup>3</sup>

For the critical element of weld in Figure 3-15 with due regard to signs *(see Note 3-9)*:

 $q_x' = P_x/A = 215/6.0 = 35.8$  lb/in  $q_y' = P_Y/A = -397/6.0 = -66.2$  lb/in

$$
q_z' = 0
$$
  
\n
$$
q_x'' = M_{zy}/I_z = 397(2.5)/25.5 = 38.9 \text{ lb/in}
$$
  
\n
$$
q_y'' = M_{zx}/I_z = 397(-1)/25.5 = -15.6 \text{ lb/in}
$$
  
\n
$$
q_z'' = M_{xy}/I_x - M_{yx}/I_y = 1588(2.5)/19.5 - 860(-1)/6.0 = 347 \text{ lb/in}
$$
  
\n
$$
q_x = q_x' - q_x'' = 35.8 - 38.9 = -3.10 \text{ lb/in}
$$
  
\n
$$
q_y = q_y' + q_y'' = -66.2 - 15.6 = -81.8 \text{ lb/in}
$$
  
\n
$$
q_z = q_z' + q_z'' = 0 + 347 = 347 \text{ lb/in}
$$
  
\n
$$
q_{req} = \sqrt{q_x^2 + q_y^2 + q_z^2}
$$
  
\n
$$
= \sqrt{(3.1)^2 + (81.8)^2 + (347)^2}
$$
  
\n
$$
= 357 \text{ lb/in} < 485 \text{ lb/in}
$$

Therefore, dead + wind from Step 7(h) controls

$$
q_{\text{req}} = 485 \text{ lb/in}
$$

The strength of welded joints with  $t > 0.10$ " is limited by the approximate method in Appendix A or shear through the effective throat of the weld itself.

Weld design data

 $t_{min} = 0.1242"$  $F_y$  = 50 ksi for angle and 33 ksi for concrete pour stop  $F_u$  = 65 ksi for angle and 45 ksi for concrete pour stop Electrode  $F_{xx}$  = 60 ksi

Allowable strength for a nominal 1/8" fillet weld *(A fillet weld occurs at the toe of the connector angle and a flare-bevel groove weld at the heel.)*

From Appendix A

Conservatively use  $t = 0.1242$ " in combination with  $F_u = 45$  ksi

 $q_{all} = P_n / (L\Omega) = 0.75tF_u / \Omega$  $= 0.75(0.1242)(45)/3.05$  $= 1.37$  kips/in

From *AISI Specification* Section E2.4

The leg length of the fillet weld is limited to the thickness of the angle  $connector = 0.1242"$ 

 $q_{all} = P_n / (L\Omega) = 0.75t_wF_{xx} / \Omega$  $= 0.75(0.707)(0.1242)(60)/2.55$  $= 1.55$  kips/in Use qall = 1.37 kips/in > 0.485 kips/in *OK*

Note that this  $q_{all}$  is also valid for the flare-bevel groove weld at the heel of the connector angle *(same effective throat if flare-bevel grove weld not filled flush to surface - see the AISI Specification Section E2.5)* 

Therefore, use the angle to concrete pour stop welds illustrated in Figure 3-13.

# Step 8 – Stud Infill

The strip windows are interrupted periodically and replaced with a full height stud wall. *(See elevation Figure 3-2.)* This full height stud wall can be achieved by continuing the strip window details *(Figure 3-6)* but adding stud infill to replace the window. A deflection gap detail such as the inner and outer top track may be required at the top of the stud infill. This is illustrated in Figure 3-16.

The deflection gap detail would not be required if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

- The stud infill is located at column lines where little or no relative slab deflection occurs.
- The accumulative effect of column axial shortening is not significant.
- Thermal expansion and contraction is not expected to be significant.

Where the deflection gap detail is used, add welded straps each end of the outer top track to provide racking resistance for the infill studs.



Section Between Strip Windows

FIGURE 3-16

# Step 9 – Alternative Detail for Shop Applied Finishes

An alternative deflection gap detail for the stud infill with shop applied exterior insulation and finish system is shown in Figure 3-17.



FIGURE 3-17

# Design Example #4 CFSF Floor and Axial Load Bearing Stud Wall

## Introduction

This example covers the design of a cold-formed steel framing floor system bearing on a steel stud wall with a window opening. Detailed calculations are included for all elements including the stud bridging and its anchorage.

The section numbers for the design of individual components are identified in Figures 4- 1 and 4-2. Refer also to Step 12, Bridging Anchorage.





# Step 1 – Given

- Design wind load = 25 psf
- Floor design live load = 40 psf
- Floor partition allowance =  $0$  psf
- Wall loads from above:  $P_{LL}$  = 1.33 kips  $P_{DL}$  = 0.67 kips
	- (No snow, rain or roof live load in this example)
- Wall deflection limit  $= L/360$
- Floor deflection limit =  $L/360$  for live load and  $L/240$  for total load
- Vibration criteria = none
- Screwed connections
- Platform construction
- Required fire rating = none
- Lateral stability for the building as a whole will be provided by reinforced concrete elevator shaft and stairwells.
- Depth of stud to meet architectural requirements  $=4"$



Section A

FIGURE 4-2







FIGURE 4-4

# Step 2 – Floor Joist Selection



Span length L = 15'-0" single span c/c of bearing *(Figure 4-2)*

Deflection limit =  $L/360$  for live load and  $L/240$  for total load

Vibration criteria = none

Try 800S162-54 (50) joist @ 16" o.c.

From load tables for 40 psf live load and 40 psf dead load:

Allowable span length = 15'-1" > 15'-0" *OK*

# Step 3 – Floor Joist Bridging

Floor joist selection has been based on the assumption that the concrete deck and the ceiling below provide adequate torsional restraint for loads not applied through the shear center and for lateral instability. In addition to this restraint, it is standard practice in the industry to supply a minimum amount of bridging to align members during erection and to provide structural integrity during construction as well as in the completed structure. Appropriate details are shown in Figure 4-5.

A maximum bridging spacing of 8'-0" o.c. is commonly used in this situation. With one line of midspan bracing, spacing =  $15/2 = 7$ '-6" <  $8$ '-0" *OK* 



Connect blocking-in with 1-1/2" x 1-1/2" angle x 5-1/2" long each end similar to Figure 1-18. Alternatively, provide a 8006162-54 joist section as blocking-in with connection details similar to Figure 2-36.

# Step 4 – Floor Joist Web Stiffener

Floor joists typically require web stiffeners to resist the joist end reactions and to transfer the axial load from the studs above. These web stiffeners are designed in accordance with the requirements of the *AISI Supplement* Section C3.6.2. A two flange loading case is used for both the joist end reaction and the stud load above.

In the absence of a structural load distribution member at the floor level, in-line framing is required to provide load transfer through the floor assembly to the studs below. The CFSF industry considers framing aligned when the centerlines of the studs above, the floor joists and the studs below all line up vertically. This alignment is illustrated in Figure 4-4. Tolerances on in-line framing are provided in COFS 2004c, Section C1.

The stiffeners can be either inside or outside the joist. Figure 4-4 shows stiffeners outside. Note that the definition of in-line framing does not change with the stiffener location but the allowable tolerances as defined in COFS 2004c do. Tighter tolerances are required for the case of stiffeners outside.

Stiffeners outside the joist can be full height whereas stiffeners inside must be cut short to fit. The *AISI Supplement* Section C3.6.2 specifies that the length of stiffeners shall not be less than the outside depth of the joist minus  $3/8$ ". Other requirements also apply  $$ see C3.6.2.

For stiffener details on this project see Figures 4-4 and 4-6.

Governing load combination

 $D + L$  $P_{LL}$  = stud load above + floor joist reaction  $= 1.33 + (15/2)(16/12)(40)/1000$  = 1.73 kips/stud  $P_{DL}$  = stud load above + floor joist reaction  $= 0.67 + (15/2)(16/12)(39.3)/1000$  $= 1.06$  kips/stud  $P_{\text{req}} = P_{\text{LL}} + P_{\text{DL}} = 1.73 + 1.06$ = 2.79 kips

Check web crippling capacity of stiffened joist

By *AISI Supplement* Section C3.6.2

$$
P_n = 0.7(P_{wc} + A_eF_y) \ge P_{wc}
$$



FIGURE 4-6

where:

 $P_{wc} = P_n$  = nominal web crippling for unstiffened joist by the *AISI Specification* Eq. 3.4.1-1 with bearing length = stud depth = 4". Use web crippling coefficients for fastened to support two-flange loading *(AISI Specification Table C3.4.1-2)* 

$$
P_n = Ct^2 F_y \sin \theta \left( 1 - C_R \sqrt{\frac{R}{t}} \right) \left( 1 + C_N \sqrt{\frac{N}{t}} \right) \left( 1 - C_h \sqrt{\frac{h}{t}} \right)
$$

where:

R = 0.0849"  
\nt = 0.0566"  
\nDepth = 8"  
\nh = Depth - 2t - 2R = 7.717"  
\nN = 4"  
\nF<sub>y</sub> = 50 ksi  
\n
$$
\theta
$$
 = 90 degrees  
\nC = 7.5  
\nC<sub>R</sub> = 0.08  
\nC<sub>N</sub> = 0.12  
\nC<sub>h</sub> = 0.048

Substituting:

 $P_{wc} = P_n = 0.957$  kips

 $A_eF_v$  = stub column strength of stiffener

For 362T125-54 (50) stiffener the term  $A_eF_v$  is available in AISI 2002b Table III-3  $A_eF_v = 11.2$  kips

 $P_n = 0.7(0.957 + 11.2)$ = 8.51 kips

 $P_{\text{all}} = P_{\text{n}} / \Omega = 8.51 / 1.70$ = 5.01 kips > 2.79 kips *OK*

#### *Note 4-1*

*As an alternative detail to Figure 4-4, the concrete floor finish could be carried to the outside face of the studs with the bottom track of the wall above bearing on the concrete. With this alternative, care is required to insure that the voids in the concrete created by the corrugations in the floor deck do not create a weak link in the transmission of axial load through the floor system. There is the additional disadvantage that the erection of steel above cannot proceed until the concrete has been poured and at least partially cured. However, this approach is beneficial in that the alignment of the framing may not be so critically important.* 

## Step 5 – Joist to Web Stiffener Connection

The connection of the stiffener to the joist is described in the *AISI Supplement* Section C3.6.2. A minimum of three fasteners are required and spaced such that the distance from the joist flanges to the first fasteners shall not be less than the depth of the joist/8.

Thus depth/ $8 = 8/8 = 1$ " Use  $1-1/4$ " – see Figure 4-6.

Note that Section C3.6.2 does not prescribe any forces that the fasteners are required to resist. In this design example, any end torsional effects are assumed to be resisted by the attached sheathings. However, significant torsional resistance is also provided by the connection of the joist to the stiffener, the stiffener to rim track and the top and bottom flange of the joist to the track (not shown).

# Step 6 – Rim Track

## Step 6(a) – Section Size

Use 800T125-54 (50) rim track *(thickness to match thickness of floor joists)*. See Figure 4-4 and Note 4-2.

## *Note 4-2*

*It is common practice to supply rim track with narrow flanges (1-1/4" in this example). This type of detail implies that the axial loads in the wall studs above and below the rim track are applied eccentrically through the outside flange of the studs. However, the rim track narrow flange detail might be beneficial in that the end rotation of the floor joist is less likely to transmit an end moment into the wall studs below.* 

*In any case, appropriate design end eccentricities for this connection detail have not been researched and engineering judgement is required. Currently, it is common practice in the CFSF industry to design the studs in Figure 4-4 as concentrically loaded. The weakening effect (if any) of this end eccentricity is assumed to be offset by conservative assumptions for end fixity. (These end fixity assumptions are reviewed in Step 7.)* 

## Step 6(b) – Screws

Provide nominal screw connection to match the stiffener to joist detail. See Figure 4-6.

# Step 7 – Typical Stud

The following design approach is recommended for axial load bearing steel studs. Refer also to the discussion on bracing in Section 4.2.2 of the Introduction.

- 1. Use an all steel (i.e. unsheathed) design approach with steel bridging at regular intervals to resist the torsional component of the load and the tendency for the studs to buckle laterally. The bridging will require periodic anchorage to the primary structure.
- 2. Conservatively assume  $K_x = K_y = K_t = 1.0$ . This assumption is common in published load tables.
- 3. Published load tables usually assume concentric axial loads and it is common practice to use this assumption in design.

Try 400S162-54 (50) stud and bridging spaced at 4'-0" o.c. maximum. The load tables used for stud selection in this *Guide* are based on the assumption that the 4'-0" bridging spacing can be located anywhere along the length of the stud. See Note 4-3.

### *Note 4-3*

*When using combined axial and lateral load tables, care is required to insure that the basic assumptions used to derive the allowable loads are understood.* 

- *1. In the past, the output in load tables typically included a 0.75 load combination factor such that the designer only needed nominal loads to use the tables. The effect of this approach was to provide an automatic check on two load cases L + D and 0.75(D + L + W). However, this approach is not consistent with the many different load combinations required by current standards such as ASCE 7-05 (ASCE 2005) and, as a result, newer tables typically do not have embedded load factors (except for Item 2 that follows). The designer is now required to apply the load combination factors before entering the tables and this approach is demonstrated here in the Guide.*
- *2. For checking wind load deflections, 0.7W may be embedded in the tables. This approach is assumed for the design examples provided in this Guide.*
- *3. There are two different assumptions in common use regarding bridging spacing. One assumption (which is used here) allows a maximum bridging spacing of say 4'-0" to occur anywhere over the length of the stud. For calculating allowable axial loads, the unsupported length (4'-0") is assumed to be in the worst possible location (typically in the middle). An alternative approach is to specify a maximum bridging spacing of again say 4'-0" o.c. but to also require that the bridging be equally spaced. For the 9'- 0" stud length used here the first assumption results in a bridging spacing of 4'-0" o.c. and the second 3'-0" o.c. This difference will have a significant impact on the allowable axial load capacity of the wall studs.*

For this example:

 $L_r$  (roof LL) = 0  $R$  (rain load) = 0 S (snow load) =  $0$ 

From ASCE 2005 the remaining load combinations are (for strength):

 $D + I$ .  $D + W$  $D + 0.75(W + L)$ 

And for deflection:

0.7W

## Step 7(a) – Check Web Crippling

Web crippling can be checked from wind bearing allowable height tables *(if web crippling is flagged)* or from the allowable web crippling capacities typically published in load tables.

 $P_{req} = 25(16/12)(9/2) = 150$  lb.

From load tables with 1" of bearing length and the end one flange fastened condition:

$$
P_{\text{all}} = 628 \text{ lb.} > 150 \text{ lb.}
$$

See also Step 9, 5th bullet for further discussion on the transfer of end shear in axial load bearing studs.

## Step 7(b) – Check Deflection

A deflection check based on a load of 0.7W is typically built into axial load bearing stud tables. For the allowable axial loads listed under 25 psf wind load, the deflection check is actually done at  $0.7(25) = 17.5$  psf and subscripts in the load tables indicate that an L/360 deflection limit does not control.

## Step 7(c) – Axial Load Capacity

Loads from the stud above plus the floor joist reaction *(from Step 4)*

 $P_{LL}$  = 1.73 kips/stud  $P_{DL}$  = 1.06 kips/stud.

 $D + L$  load case

 $W = 0$  $P_{\text{req}} = P_{\text{LL}} + P_{\text{DL}} = 2.79$  kips

From load tables for 400S162-54 (50) stud at 16" o.c. and 0 psf wind *(Conservatively use 5 psf wind if 0 psf is not available)*

 $P_{\text{all}} = 4.63 \text{ kips} > 2.79 \text{ kips}$  *OK* 

 $D + W$  load case

 $W = 25$  psf  $P_{\text{req}} = P_{\text{DL}} = 1.06 \text{ kips/stud}$ 

From load tables for 400S162-54 (50) stud at 16" o.c. and 25 psf wind

Pall = 3.06 kips > 1.06 kips *OK* 

 $D + 0.75(W + L)$  load case

$$
W = 0.75(25)
$$
  
= 18.75 psf  

$$
P_{req} = P_{DL} + 0.75P_{LL} = 1.06 + 0.75(1.73)
$$
  
= 2.36 kips

From load tables for 400S162-54 (50) stud at 16" o.c. and the next highest wind  $= 20$  psf

$$
P_{\text{all}} = 3.34 \text{ kips} > 2.36 \text{ kips}
$$

*(From a software solution for 0.75(25) = 18.75 psf,*  $P_{all} = 3.41$  *kips)* 

Use 400S162-54 (50)

## Step 8 – Jamb Studs



FIGURE 4-7

For this example, a built-up section consisting of 2 - 400S162-54 (50) king studs and 1- 400S162-54 (50) jack stud is adequate for the jamb (by inspection). See Figure 4-7. This built-up section provides 2 studs (1 jack and one king stud) to resist gravity loads and two full height king studs for wind loads. Thus each of the jamb studs will have the same tributary loading area as the typical studs for both gravity and wind loads. The track section is used as a connection device and its flexural strength is ignored. Note that the track section is cut short at the top and bottom tracks and is not available to participate in resisting axial loads.

The studs should be connected together to form a built-up section to resist wind load. A #10-16 screw spacing of 16" o.c. is recommended.

For axial load, the capacity of the built-up section can significantly exceed the sum of the capacity of the individual studs. However, the capacity of the jamb is adequate in this example when treated as individual studs. Any uncertainties such as the eccentrically applied gravity load from the header to the king stud can be accommodated within the strength reserve inherent in the partial built-up behavior. *(Note: The AISI Specification addresses full built-up behaviour in Section C4.5. The fastening requirements in C4.5 are quite onerous and are usually seen as uneconomical compared with the simpler approach of summing the capacity of the individual studs in the jamb.)* 

# Step 9 – Track Selection

The following design approach is recommended for the selection of track:

- In load bearing construction, it is recommended that the thickness of track be equal to or greater than the thickness of the stud.
- Axial loads are transferred in bearing between the end of the stud and the web of the track. The stud to track screws are not designed to transfer any axial load.
- The bearing stresses between the track and concrete should be checked using the approximate design expression proposed in Appendix F.
- Track should not be used as a beam to spread gravity loads at floor levels where studs or joists above do not align with studs below. Where misalignment is expected, a section with higher bending strength such as a hot-rolled angle or hollow structural section is required. With concrete floors, a concrete haunch is sometimes used which completely enclose the CFSF floor members over each load bearing wall. See also the discussion on in-line framing in Step 4.
- As for wind bearing studs, shear between the stud and the track is transferred by the stud bearing against the upstanding leg of the track except that there is the additional benefit of friction due to end bearing. Refer to Design Examples #1 and #2 for the design methodology for the track and the stud to track connection to resist wind loads.
- Stud to track connections should be pre-loaded before screwing in order to eliminate the bend radius gap. See Figure 4-8 that follows. Pre-loading deforms the track locally to allow the stud to seat. A maximum gap between the end of the stud and the track (after pre-loading) of 1/8" is permitted by COFS 2004c Section C3.4.4.
- Track may also by subjected to axial tension and compression as a result of system lateral loads. Where axial loads are incurred, the track sections including splices between track sections must be designed accordingly.



FIGURE 4-8

Check concrete bearing under the bottom track using the approximate method in Appendix F.

Try 400T125-54 (50) track *(Track with Fy = 50 ksi may require a special order.)*

From Step 4  $P_{LL}$  = 1.73 kips/stud  $P_{DL}$  = 1.06 kips/stud.

For L + D load case

 $P_{\text{req}} = P_{\text{LL}} + P_{\text{DL}} = 2.79 \text{ kips}$ 

From Appendix F assuming concrete  $f_c' = 3$  ksi

$$
x = 0.938t_{t} \sqrt{\frac{F_y}{f_c}} = 0.938(0.0566) \sqrt{\frac{50}{3}}
$$
  
= 0.217<sup>''</sup>  

$$
A_{\text{brg}} = (B + 2x)(C + x)(2) + [A - 2(C + x)][t_s + 2x]
$$

where:  $A = 4"$  $B = 1.625"$  $C = 0.500$ "  $t_s = 0.0566$ "  $x = 0.217$ " Substituting  $A_{\text{brg}} = 4.21 \text{ in}^2$  $P_{\text{all}} = A_{\text{brg}} 0.34 f_c$  $= 4.21(0.34)(3)$ = 4.29 kips > 2.79 kips and 400T125-54 (50) track *OK*

# Step 10 – Header

A box header detail is proposed – see Figure 4-10. The Standard for Header Design (*COFS 2004b)* includes special provisions for the design of this member but theses provisions have not been used here.

- The upturned track on top of the header means that COFS 2004b Sections B2.3 and B2.5 do not apply. *(See COFS 2004b Commentary.)*
- A recent and as yet unpublished change to COFS 2004b will require shear and combined bending and shear to be checked.

Given the above, the header design here is based on the requirements of the *AISI Specification* instead of the COFS document.

The header load condition is shown in Figure 4-9.



FIGURE 4-9

From Step 4  $P_{LL}$  = 1.73 kips/stud  $P_{DL}$  = 1.06 kips/stud. For the  $D + L$  load case  $P = P_{DL} + P_{LL} = 2.79$  kips

Try 2 - 800S162-68 (50) unperforated joist sections with 2 - 400T125-54 (50) track sections. The proposed built-up header configuration is shown in Figure 4-10.

Design the joist sections to carry gravity loads and the track to carry wind loads. Refer to Design Examples #1 and #2 for wind loaded track design methodology. Note that the top track is also assumed to provide resistance to lateral buckling such that the full moment capacity of the joist sections is available to resist the gravity loads.

The joists sections should be specified as unpunched as discussed in Step 10(b). Note, however, that unpunched moment and shear values may not be available in the load tables and in this case punched values may be used as a conservative substitution. Punched values are used here.



From the load tables for 2 - 800S162-68 (50):

 $M_{\text{all}} = 2(49.8) = 99.6$  in.kips  $V_{\text{all}} = 2(3.37) = 6.74$  kips  $I_{x(\text{def})} = 2(7.07) = 14.14 \text{ in}^4$  $m = 0.586$ "
#### Step 10(a) – Moment Capacity (Gravity Loads)

$$
M_{req} = 16P = 16(2.79)
$$
  
= 44.6 in.kips < 99.6 in.kips

#### Step 10(b) – Interior Web Crippling (Gravity Loads)

Derive the allowable web crippling at the location of load P for interior one flange condition. Assume an unfastened condition and bearing length equal to the flange width of the load bearing stud above = 1.625". From the *AISI Specification* Section C3.4 and Table C3.4.1-2.

$$
P_{all}=\frac{C\,t^2\,F_y\,\sin\theta}{\Omega}\Bigg(1-C_R\,\sqrt{\frac{R}{t}}\Bigg)\Bigg(1+C_N\,\sqrt{\frac{N}{t}}\Bigg)\Bigg(1-C_h\,\sqrt{\frac{h}{t}}\Bigg)
$$

where:

R = 0.10695" t = 0.0713" Depth = 8" h = Depth - 2t - 2R = 7.6435" N = 1.625" Fy = 50 ksi θ = 90 degrees C = 13 CR = 0.23 CN = 0.14 Ch = 0.01 Ω = 1.65

substituting for 2 sections

$$
P_{\text{all}} = 2(2.15) \n= 4.30 \text{ kips} > 2.79 \text{ kips}
$$
\n*OK*

For this allowable web crippling capacity to be valid, web punchouts are not permitted in the vicinity of the point loads. The header member has therefore been specified as unperforated.

#### Step 10(c) – Combined Web Crippling and Bending (Gravity Loads)

Check combined bending and web crippling at the location of load P *(AISI Supplement Section C3.5.1)* 

$$
0.91\left(\frac{P}{P_n}\right) + \left(\frac{M}{M_{n \times o}}\right) \le \frac{1.33}{\Omega}
$$

where:  $P = P_{req} = 2.79$  kips  $M = M_{\text{req}} = 44.6 \text{ in.}$ kips  $P_n = \Omega_w P_{all} = 1.65(4.30) = 7.10$  kips  $M_{\text{nxo}} = \Omega_{\text{b}}M_{\text{all}} = 1.67(99.6) = 166.3 \text{ in.kips}$  $\Omega$  = 1.70

Substituting:  
 
$$
0.91 \left( \frac{2.79}{7.10} \right) + \left( \frac{44.6}{166.3} \right) \le \frac{1.33}{1.70}
$$

 $0.626 \le 0.782$  *OK* 

## Step 10(d) – Combined Bending and Shear (Gravity Loads)

Combined bending and shear

By the *AISI Specification* Section C3.3.1 as revised *in the AISI Supplement*

$$
\sqrt{\left(\frac{\Omega_b M}{M_{nxo}}\right)^2+\left(\frac{\Omega_v V}{V_n}\right)^2}=\sqrt{\left(\frac{M}{M_{all}}\right)^2+\left(\frac{V}{V_{all}}\right)^2}
$$

where for 2 sections:  $M = M_{\text{req}} = 44.6$  in.kips  $V = P_{req} = 2.79$  kips  $M_{all}$  = 99.6 in.kips  $V<sub>all</sub> = 6.74$  kips

Substituting:

$$
\sqrt{\left(\frac{44.6}{99.6}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2.79}{6.74}\right)^2} \le 1.00
$$

 $0.61 ≤ 1.00$  *OK* 

#### Step 10(e) – Deflection (Gravity Loads)

See Figure 4-9.

Check: LL for L/360 TL for L/240

$$
\delta = \frac{\text{Pa}}{24\text{EI}} \left( 3\text{L}^2 - 4a^2 \right)
$$

where:  
\n
$$
P = P_{LL} = 1.73 \text{ kips}
$$
  
\n $P = P_{TL} = P_{LL} + P_{DL} = 1.73 + 1.06 = 2.79 \text{ kips}$   
\n $E = 29500 \text{ ksi}$   
\n $L = 48^{\circ}$   
\n $a = 16^{\circ}$ 

LL Check

$$
\delta_{LL} = \frac{1.73(16)}{24(29500)I} \left[ 3(48)^2 - 4(16)^2 \right]
$$

$$
= \frac{0.2302}{I} \text{ in.}
$$

for  $\delta_{\text{all}} = L/360 = 48/360 = 0.1333$ "

$$
I_{\text{req}} = 0.2302 / 0.1333
$$
  
= 1.73 in<sup>4</sup>

TL Check

$$
\delta_{\text{TL}} = \frac{2.79(16)}{24(29500)} \left[ 3(48)^2 - 4(16)^2 \right]
$$

$$
= \frac{0.3712}{\text{I}} \text{ in.}
$$

for  $\delta_{\text{all}} = L/240 = 48/240 = 0.200$ "

$$
I_{\text{req}} = 0.3712/0.200
$$
  
= 1.86 in<sup>4</sup>

Total load governs:

For 2 - 800S162-68 (50)  $I_{x(\text{def})} = 14.14 \text{ in}^4 > 1.86 \text{ in}^4$  *OK* 

## Step 10(f) – Track to Joist Connection (Gravity Loads)

The box header track to joist connection is required to provide torsional restraint at the locations of load P and at the supports for the header. See Figure 4-11.

Torsional restraint forces, PL , by the *AISI Supplement* Section D3.2.2. See also Figure 2-8.

 $P_L = (m/d)P$ 

where:  $P = 2.79/2 = 1.395$  kips/joist section  $d = 8"$  $m = 0.586$ "

 $P_L = (0.586/8)(1.395)(1000)$  $= 102$  lb.

For #10-16 self-drilling screw in shear use  $V_{\text{all}}$  = 370 lb. from Example #2 Step 2(c). *(This allowable strength is based on 2 sheets at t = 0.0566" and Fu = 45 and 65 ksi and is conservative here.)*

$$
V_{\text{all}} = 370 \text{ lb.} > 102 \text{ lb.}
$$





### Step 10(g) – Built-up Header to Jamb Connection

There are a number of acceptable ways to connect a header to the jamb studs. The design procedure used here is as follows:

- The allowable web crippling capacity (end one flange) of the box header is calculated assuming a bearing length equal to the flange width of the jack stud.
- The jack stud is assumed to carry this web crippling load.
- The residual end reaction for the box header is calculated and is given by the total end reaction less the allowable web crippling capacity from above.
- This residual portion of the reaction is assumed to be transferred to the first king stud via a shear connection detail consisting of a short piece of track.

See Figures 4-12 and 4-13.

Exterior one flange web crippling for box header

Assume an unfastened condition and bearing length equal to the flange width of the jack stud below = 1.625". From the *AISI Specification* Section C3.4 and Table C3.4.1-2.

$$
P_{all}=\frac{C\,t^2\,F_y\,\sin\theta}{\Omega}\Bigg(1-C_R\,\sqrt{\frac{R}{t}}\Bigg)\Bigg(1+C_N\,\sqrt{\frac{N}{t}}\Bigg)\Bigg(1-C_h\,\sqrt{\frac{h}{t}}\Bigg)
$$

where:

 $R = 0.10695$ "  $t = 0.0713"$ Depth  $= 8$ " h = Depth -  $2t - 2R = 7.6435$ "  $N = 1.625$ "  $F_v$  = 50 ksi  $\theta$  = 90 degrees  $C = 4$  $C_R$  = 0.14  $C_N$  =0.35  $C_h$  = 0.02  $\Omega$  = 1.85 (unfastened - conservative)

substituting for 2 - 800S162-68 (50) sections

 $P_{all} = 2(0.964)$ = 1.93 kips

*(For this allowable web crippling capacity to be valid, web punchouts are not permitted in the vicinity of the point loads. The header member has therefore been specified as unpunched.)* 

The web crippling load  $P_{all}$  = 1.93 kips is carried by the jack stud. The capacity of the jack stud is OK by inspection.

The balance of the header reaction is carried by a shear connection to the king stud. This required force is given by:

 $V_{\text{req}}$  = 2.79 -1.93 = 0.860 kips



FIGURE 4-12



FIGURE 4-13

Provide a short piece of track  $(6-1/2)$ " long) to act as a shear connector. Use  $t = 0.0713$ " to match header joist section.

Calculate screw forces assuming #10-16 self-drilling screws:

From Figure 4-13:  $V_1 = 860/4 = 215$  lb.  $V_2 = [860(0.625)/5]/2 = 54$  lb. Resultant V $_{\rm req}$  =  $\sqrt{{V_1}^2+{V_2}^2}$  =  $\sqrt{215^2+54^2}$  $= 222$  lb/screw

For #10-16 self-drilling screw in shear use  $V_{all}$  = 370 lb from Example #2 Step 2(c). *(This allowable shear is based on 2 sheets at t = 0.0566" and*  $F_u$  *= 45 and 65 ksi and is conservative here)* 

$$
Gives Vall = 370 lb/secw > 222 lb/secw
$$

Note the clip angles connection details at the top and bottom of the box header in Figure 4-12. These angles transfer the lateral wind loads from the header to the built-up jamb. *(Only the track portion of the box header is assumed to carry wind.)* 

# Step 11 – Frequency of Bridging Anchorage

Design bridging to resist torsion induced in the studs by wind load (*AISI Supplement D3.2.2)* and to resist the weak axis buckling of the studs. Forces will accumulate in the bridging channel and the design check here is to determine the number of studs that can be braced without exceeding the capacity of the bridging channel. Where the bridging channel is at the limit of its capacity anchorage is required.

The stud torsional effect which induces major axis bending moments in the bridging channel was previously reviewed in Design Example #2, Step 2.

The *AISI Specification* is silent on the bracing force required to restrain singly symmetric columns subject to weak axis flexural buckling and/or torsional-flexural buckling. Refer instead to COFS 2004a Section C5.1 where a bracing force equal to 2% of the design compression load in the stud is specified. The Commentary *(COFS 2004a)* further states that the 2% bracing force is accumulative between bracing points. A bracing stiffness requirement is assumed not to apply. See Note 4-4

*Note 4-4* 

*This 2% approach to bracing design is based on historical practice. More sophisticated approaches including both strength and stiffness requirements are available. See Galambos 1998 and Green 2004b.* 

The bridging channel will be subjected to axial load and both major and minor axis bending moment. The capacity of the channel is checked using the beam-column provisions in the *AISI Specification* C5.2.1.

# Step 11(a) – Applied Loads

i) Bridging axial load

Required bridging axial load *(tension or compression)*  $P_{req}$  = 0.02 x required stud axial load x number of studs braced (n).

ii) Bridging major axis moment,  $M_{x}$ 

Bridging major axis moment is taken from Figures 2-5, 2-6, 2-7 and 2-8.

The outside span is critical and is shown with the moment coefficients in Figure 2-7. The moment, M, is derived from the top and bottom flange brace requirements given in the *AISI Supplement* Section D3.2.2.

$$
P_{L} = 1.5 (m/d)W
$$

where: a = average bridging spacing  $=(4 + 2.5)/2 = 3.25$  ft. *(assumes 4 ft unbraced length at midheight)*   $w =$ load/ft on stud  $= (16/12)(25) = 33.3$  lb/ft  $W = wa$  $m =$  stud web center line to shear center =  $0.754$ "  $d = 4"$ 

Substituting:  $P<sub>L</sub> = 1.5(0.754/4)(33.3)(3.25)$  $= 30.6$  lb.

Then the moment resisted by the bridging channel is given by the flange brace couple with a lever arm equal to the depth of the stud. See Figure 2- 8.

 $M = P<sub>L</sub> d = 30.6(4) = 122$  in.lb and the resulting moment values in the outside span are illustrated in Figure 4-14.





iii) Bridging Minor Axis Moment, My

Bridging minor axis moment is illustrated in Figure 4-15. See Note 4-5.

$$
M_{y} = (X_{cg})(Bridging axial load) = X_{cg}P_{req}
$$
  
= 0.126P<sub>req</sub>





## *Note 4-5*

*The axial load in the bridging channel is incremented at every stud and accumulates over the number of studs between bridging anchorage points. While each increment of axial load is applied with a minor axis eccentricity, the accumulated axial load is assumed to be concentric. Significant minor axis eccentricity does occur in this example at the bridging anchorage point.* 

# Step 11(b) – Allowable Design Strengths

Use 150U50-54 (33) bridging channel. See Figure 4-16.



FIGURE 4-16

Allowable design strengths will be checked using the combined compressive axial load and bending provisions in the *AISI Specification* C5.2.1.

#### i) Section Properties

The following bridging channel section properties are taken from load tables or can be calculated from the formulas in AISI 2002b Part I. *(Note that the section is fully effective at a uniform stress of F<sub>y</sub> = 33 ksi - i.e.*  $\lambda \le 0.673$  *for all elements at f* = *F<sub>y</sub> AISI Specification B2.1 – calculations not shown here. Effective properties are therefore not required for either bending or axial load.)*

t = 0.0566 in.  
\nr<sub>i</sub> = 0.0849 in.  
\nA = fully effective (unreduced) area = 0.130 in<sup>2</sup>  
\nr<sub>x</sub> = 0.549 in.  
\nr<sub>y</sub> = 0.145 in.  
\nx<sub>0</sub> = 0.254 in.  
\nr<sub>0</sub> = 
$$
\sqrt{r_x^2 + r_y^2 + x_0^2}
$$
 = 0.622 in.  
\nI<sub>x</sub> = fully effective (unreduced) inertia = 0.0390 in<sup>4</sup>  
\nI<sub>y</sub> = fully effective (unreduced) inertia = 0.00274 in<sup>4</sup>  
\nX<sub>cg</sub> = location of fully effective (unreduced) centroid = 0.126 in.  
\nC<sub>w</sub> = 0.00104 in<sup>6</sup>  
\nJ = 0.000138 in<sup>4</sup>  
\nj = 0.787 in.

 $S_{fx}$  = fully effective (unreduced) major axis section modulus = 0.0520 in<sup>3</sup>

$$
S_{\text{fy}} = \text{fully effective (unreduced) minor axis section modulus}
$$
  
=  $I_{\text{y}} / (0.5 - X_{\text{cg}})$   
= 0.00733 in<sup>3</sup>

ii) Nominal axial strength, Pn (*AISI Specification C4 and C4.2*)

Assume  $K_xL_x = K_yL_y = K_tL_t = 16"$ 

Determine the controlling critical elastic buckling stress,  $F_e$ :

$$
\sigma_{ey} = \frac{\pi^2 E}{\left(\frac{K_y L_y}{r_y}\right)^2} = \frac{\pi^2 (29500)}{\left[\frac{16}{0.145}\right]^2} = 23.91 \text{ ksi}
$$

$$
\sigma_{ex} = \frac{\pi^2 E}{\left(\frac{K_x L_x}{r_x}\right)^2} = \frac{\pi^2 (29500)}{\left[\frac{16}{0.549}\right]^2} = 342.8 \text{ ksi}
$$

$$
\sigma_t = \frac{1}{Ar_0^2} \left[ GJ + \frac{\pi^2 EC_w}{(K_t L_t)^2} \right]
$$
  
= 
$$
\frac{1}{(0.130)(0.622)^2} \left[ 11300(0.000138) + \frac{\pi^2 (29500)(0.00104)}{16^2} \right]
$$
  
= 54.52 ksi

$$
\beta = 1 - (x_0 / r_0)^2
$$
  
= 1 - (0.254 / 0.622)<sup>2</sup> = 0.8332

From *AISI Specification* C4.1, the flexural critical elastic buckling stress is given by:

> $F_e$  = the lesser of  $\sigma_{ex}$  or  $\sigma_{ey}$ = 23.91 ksi

From *AISI Specification* C4.2, Fe may also be limited by the torsionalflexural critical elastic buckling stress given by:

$$
F_e = \!\frac{1}{2\beta}\!\bigg[\!\left(\sigma_{ex} + \sigma_t\right) \!-\! \sqrt{\left(\sigma_{ex} + \sigma_t\right)^2 - 4\beta\sigma_{ex}\sigma_t}\,\bigg]
$$

Substituting gives:

$$
F_e = 52.91
$$
ksi

 $F_e$  = 23.91 ksi governs.

From the *AISI Specification* C4:

$$
P_n = A_e F_n
$$
  
\n
$$
\lambda_c = \sqrt{\frac{F_y}{F_e}} = \sqrt{\frac{33}{23.91}} = 1.175
$$
  
\nFor  $\lambda_c \le 1.5$   
\n
$$
F_n = (0.658)^{\lambda_c^2} F_y = (0.658)^{1.175^2} (33)
$$
  
\n= 18.52 ksi  
\n
$$
P_n = A_e F_n = 0.130(18.52) \qquad \text{(No local l)}
$$

Pn = AeFn = 0.130(18.52) *(No local buckling)* = 2.41 kips

iii) Nominal flexural strength  $M_{nx}$ 

Check lateral-torsional buckling by the *AISI Specification* C3.1.2.1

From Design Example #2 Step 2(a) there is no reduction in allowable moment for lateral instability.

 $M_{nx} = F_c S_x = 33(0.0520)$  *(No local buckling)* = 1.716 in.kips

iv) Nominal flexural strength, M<sub>ny</sub>

Lateral buckling associated with bending about the y-axis can be checked using the *AISI Specification* C3.1.2.1 with the critical elastic stress defined by Equation C3.1.2.1-6.

This expression applies to bending about the centroidal axis perpendicular to the symmetry axis. For typical CFSF members, it is the weaker axis by a significant margin, lateral buckling does not occur and  $F_c = F_y$ .

That is,  
\n
$$
M_{ny} = S_{fy}F_y = 0.00733(33)
$$
 (*No local buckling*)  
\n= 0.242 in.kips

v) Nominal axial strength,  $P_{no}$ 

$$
P_{no} = A_e F_y = 0.130(33)
$$
 (No local buckling)  
= 4.29 kips

vi)  $P_{Ex}$  and  $P_{Ey}$ 

$$
P_{Ex} = \frac{\pi^2 EI_x}{(K_x L_x)^2} = \frac{\pi^2 (29500)(0.390)}{(16)^2}
$$
  
= 44.4 kips

$$
P_{Ey} = \frac{\pi^2 EI_y}{(K_y L_y)^2} = \frac{\pi^2 (29500)(0.00274)}{(16)^2}
$$
  
= 3.12 kips

vii)  $C_{mx}$  and  $C_{my}$ 

$$
C_{mx} = 0.6 - 0.4 (M_1/M_2)
$$

For  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  see Figure 4-14.

$$
C_{mx} = 0.6 - 0.4(0.64 M/M)
$$
  
= 0.344

To calculate  $C_{\text{my}}$ , assume a concentric axial load one end and an eccentric axial load the other with  $e_y = X_{cg}$ . This gives:

 $C_{\rm my} = 0.6$ 

Summarizing:

 $P_n$  = 2.41 kips  $M_{nx}$  = 1.716 in.kips  $M_{ny} = 0.242$  in.kips  $P_{no}$  = 4.29 kips  $P_{Ex}$  = 44.4 kips  $P_{Ey} = 3.12$  kips  $C_{\rm mx} = 0.344$  $C_{\text{mv}} = 0.6$  $\Omega_c = 1.80$  $\Omega_{\rm b}$  = 1.67

#### Step 11(c) – Interaction Checks

By *AISI Specification* C5.2.1 Interaction Equation #1 (C5.2.1-1)

$$
\frac{\Omega_c P}{P_n} + \frac{\Omega_b C_{mx} M_x}{M_{nx} \left(1 - \frac{\Omega_c P}{P_{Ex}}\right)} + \frac{\Omega_b C_{my} M_y}{M_{ny} \left(1 - \frac{\Omega_c P}{P_{Ey}}\right)} \le 1.00
$$

Substituting allowable design strengths from Step 11(b)

$$
\frac{1.80P}{2.41} + \frac{1.67(0.344)M_x}{1.716(1 - \frac{1.80P}{44.4})} + \frac{1.67(0.6)M_y}{0.242(1 - \frac{1.80P}{3.12})} \le 1.00
$$

Interaction Equation #2 (C5.2.1-2)

$$
\frac{\Omega_c P}{P_{no}} + \frac{\Omega_b M_x}{M_{nx}} + \frac{\Omega_b M_y}{M_{ny}} \le 1.00
$$

Substituting allowable design strengths from Step 11(b)

$$
\frac{1.80P}{4.29} + \frac{1.67M_x}{1.716} + \frac{1.67M_y}{0.242} \le 1.00
$$

Try anchoring bridging every 11 studs.

The required bridging loads are from Step 11(a) and are multiplied by the appropriate load combination factor in the calculations that follow.

Load Case  $I$   $D + L$  $P_{req}$ /stud = 2.79 kips (from Step 7c) P for bridging channel with  $n = 11$  $= 2.79(0.02)(11)$  $= 0.614$  kips  $M_x = 0$  $M_y = 0.126P = 0.126(0.614)$  = 0.0774 in.kips Substituting in Interaction Equation #1  $0.46 + 0.00 + 0.50 = 0.96 < 1.00$ Substituting in Interaction Equation #2  $0.26 + 0.00 + 0.53 = 0.79 < 1.00$  *OK* Load Case II  $W + D$  $P_{req}$ /stud = 1.06 kips (from Step 7c) P for bridging channel with  $n = 11$  $= 1.06(0.02)(11)$ = 0.233 kips  $M_x = 0.122$  in.kips  $M_y = 0.126P = 0.126(0.233)$  = 0.0294 in.kips Substituting in Interaction Equation #1  $0.17 + 0.04 + 0.14 = 0.35 < 1.00$  *OK* Substituting in Interaction Equation #2  $0.10 + 0.12 + 0.20 = 0.42 < 1.00$  *OK* 

Load Case III  $D + 0.75(W + L)$  $P_{\text{rea}}$  / stud = 2.36 kips (from Step 7c) P for bridging channel with  $n = 11$  $= 2.36(0.02)(11)$  $= 0.519$  kips  $M_x = 0.122(0.75)$  $= 0.0915$  in.kips  $M_v = 0.126P = 0.126(0.519)$  $= 0.0654$  in.kips Substituting in Interaction Equation #1  $0.39 + 0.03 + 0.39 = 0.81 \le 1.00$  *OK* 

Substituting in Interaction Equation #2

 $0.22 + 0.09 + 0.45 = 0.76 \le 1.00$  *OK* 

Therefore, from Load Cases I, II and III interaction checks, anchoring bridging every 11 studs is *OK*. See Note 4-6.

# *Note 4-6*

- *1. Flat strap tension bridging (Introduction Fig. III) is also an acceptable brace for axial load bearing steel studs. Note that the accumulated force in flat strap bridging includes 2% of the axial load in each stud plus the force necessary to restrain torsion in every stud. The accumulation of the torsional component can be reduced with periodic blocking-in between the studs.*
- *2. The spacing of bridging anchorage is based on a strength criterion only. To help control the stiffness of the bridging, arrange the bridging anchorage so that no stud is more than 6 stud spaces away from an anchorage location.*

# Step 12 – Bridging Anchorage

From Step 11(c), the bridging must be anchored every 11 studs. See Figure 4-17 for a suggested anchorage detail using flat strap X-bracing.





Introduction Figure V shows another acceptable detail. Other anchorage arrangements are commonly used including anchoring bridging to shear wall elements or built-up members such as jambs. Wherever the bridging is anchored, the anchorage point must have sufficient strength and stiffness.

# Step 12(a) – Flat Strap X-Bracing

See Figure 4-18. The distance between the top or bottom track and a line of bridging is assumed to be 2'-6" with the 4'-0" maximum bridging spacing at midheight.



FIGURE 4-18

Input data from previous steps:

From Step 11(c):  $P<sub>bridging</sub> = 614 lb.$  D + L  $= 233$  lb.  $D + W$  $= 519$  lb.  $D + 0.75(W + L)$ From Step 7(c):  $P_{req}$ /stud = 2.79 kips  $D + L$  $= 1.06$  kips  $D + W$  $= 2.36 \text{ kips}$  D + 0.75(W + L)  $P_{all}$ /stud = 4.63 kips D + L  $= 3.06 \text{ kips}$  D + W  $= 3.34 \text{ kips}$  D + 0.75(W + L)

Try 1-1/2" x 0.0451" flat strap with  $F_y$  = 33 ksi.

i) X-bracing vertical reaction

The vertical component of force in the flat straps increases the stud axial load *(for the studs serving as anchorage points)*:

The vertical component from two levels of straps is given by:

 $\Delta P = 2P_{\text{bridging}} (30/32)$ 

D + L load case  $\Delta P = 2(614)(30/32)$ = 1151 lb.

P<sub>req</sub>/stud = 2.79 + ΔP = 2.79 + 1.15  
\n= 3.94 kips  
\nP<sub>all</sub> = 4.63 kips > 3.94 kips  
\n
$$
D + W \text{ load case}
$$
\n
$$
\Delta P = 2(233)(30/32)
$$
\n= 437 lb.  
\nP<sub>req</sub>/ stud = 1.06 + ΔP = 1.06 + 0.44  
\n= 1.50 kips  
\nP<sub>all</sub> = 3.06 kips > 1.50 kips  
\n
$$
D + 0.75(W + L) \text{ load case}
$$
\n
$$
\Delta P = 2(519)(30/32)
$$
\n= 973 lb.  
\nP<sub>req</sub>/stud = 2.36 + ΔP = 2.36 + 0.97  
\n= 3.33 kips  
\nP<sub>all</sub> = 3.34 kips > 3.33 kips  
\n
$$
P_{all} = 3.34 \text{ kips} > 3.33 \text{ kips}
$$
\n*OM* = 2.16 + 0.97  
\n
$$
D + L \text{ load case governs. See Figure 4-19
$$

For X-bracing on both sides of studs  $T_{req}$  / strap =  $(P_{\text{bridging}}/2)(43.9/32)$  $= (614/2)(43.9/32)$  $= 421$  lb.

For detailing #10-16 screw locations assume the following distances:

- end distance =  $3d = 3(0.190) = 0.570$ "
- minimum centre to centre spacing =  $3d = 3(0.190) = 0.570$ "
- minimum edge distance =  $1.5d = 1.5(0.190) = 0.285$ "

Screw design input values:



Allowable screw capacity (Vall /screw) is given by the following: *(calculations not shown – see Design Example #2 Step 2(c) for typical procedure)* 





E4.3.1 tilting and bearing  $V_{all}$  = 347 lb.

E4.3.2 tear-out with end distance = 3d  $V_{all}$  = 386 lb.

E4.3.3 shear through the screw itself  $V_{\text{all}} = 467$  lb.

 $V_{\text{all}}$  = 347 lb. governs

Required number of screws =  $T_{\text{req}} / V_{\text{all}}$  $= 421/347$  $= 1.2$ 

Use 2 screws each end of each strap.

iii) Number of screws required to transfer flat strap horizontal reaction into top and bottom track

Flat strap imposes a horizontal load near the end of the stud. The stud transfers this load into the track (top or bottom) through the stud to track screw connection.

For the  $D + L$  load case the horizontal reaction is given by:  $P_{req} = 614$  lb.

Screw design input values:



Vall /screw = 467 lb. with shear through the screw itself governing. *(Calculations not shown – see Design Example #2 Step 2(c) for typical procedure)*

 $V_{\text{all}}$  = 2(467) for one screw each side  $= 934$  lb.  $> 614$  lb.  $\overline{OK}$ 

iv) Flat strap size

For 1-1/2" x 0.0451" flat strap with  $F_v$  = 33 ksi and  $F_u$  = 45 ksi

 $T_{\text{req}}$  / strap = 421 lb. from above

Check the gross section *AISI Specification* Section C2(a)  $T_{\text{all}} = T_{\text{n}} / \Omega = A_{\text{all}} F_{\text{w}} / \Omega$ 

 = (1.50)(0.0451)(33)/1.67 = 1.34 kips > 0.421 kips *OK*

# Check the net section

*(The AISI Specification does not include an explicit design procedure for checking fracture in the net section at the connection where screw fasteners are used. For the purposes of this example, Equation C2-2 Section C2(b) is assumed to apply at the connection. Note that more conservative expressions for checking fracture at the connection are available in Section E3.2 but these are intended for bolted connections and may or may not apply to screwed connections.)* 

Assume screws are aligned perpendicular to the tensile force

 $T_{\text{all}} = T_{\text{n}} / \Omega = A_{\text{n}} F_{\text{u}} / \Omega$  $=[1.50 - 2(0.190)](0.0451)(45)/2.00$ = 1.14 kips > 0.421 kips

Therefore,  $1-1/2$ " x 0.0451" flat strap with  $F_v$  33 ksi and 2 - #10-16 screws each end *OK*

# Step 12(b) – Bridging Clip Angle at Bridging Anchorage Point

In axial load bearing construction to insure a stiff connection detail, size clip angles as per Note 2-4 except that it is recommended that the thickness of the bridging clip angle be the greater of 0.0566" or one thickness heavier than the thickness of the stud.

For clip angle with 400S162-54 stud use  $1-1/2$ " x  $1-1/2$ " clip angle with t = 0.0713", F<sub>y</sub> = 50 ksi and 3-1/2" long.



i) Connection of bridging channel to bridging clip angles at anchorage point. See Figure 4-20.

FIGURE 4-20

From Step 11(c) the maximum axial load in the bridging channel is given by  $D +$ L Load Case

Required shear per screw

Pbridging = 614 lb. *(tension or compression)*

Assuming all load is transferred through one clip angle  $V_{\text{req}}$  / screw = 614/2 = 307 lb.

Allowable shear per screw

Screw design input values:



Vall /screw = 370 lb. with Equation E4.3.1-1 governing *(Calculations not shown – see Design Example #2 Step 2(c) for typical procedure).* 

 $V_{\text{all}} = 370 \text{ lb.} > 307 \text{ lb.}$  *OK* 

Therefore, for transfer of forces between the bridging channel and the clip angle, a single clip angle is sufficient.

ii) Connection of bridging clip angle to studs at anchorage point

The bridging channel can be in tension or compression. The load is transferred to the clip angle, then to the stud and finally to the flat strap X-bracing.

First check if a single clip angle is sufficient for the connection between the clip angle and the stud. The screws will be in tension. Again, the  $D + L$  load case governs.

Required pullout/screw

 $T_{\text{rea}}$  / screw = 614/2 = 307 lb.

Allowable pullout/screw

Screw design input values:

 $t_c = t_2 = 0.0566$ " and  $F_u = 65$  ksi Screw = #10-16 d = 0.190" *(App. A Table A-2)*

Tall /screw = 198 lb. *(Calculations not shown – see Design Example #2 Step 2(c) for typical procedure)*

Tall = 198 lb. < 307 lb. *UNSATISFACTORY*

Therefore, a single clip angle is not sufficient because the clip angle to stud screws acting in tension do not have sufficient capacity.

Add a second clip angle as illustrated in Figure 4-20. With this configuration the load transfer between the clip angle and the stud will be in bearing whether the bridging channel is in tension or compression.

# Step 13 – Bridging to Typical Stud Screwed Connection

The bridging channel to stud connection detail is required to transfer the torsional component of the wind load plus 2% of the axial load in the stud.

See Figure 4-21.

M<sub>req</sub> for the torsional restraint of the stud under the full wind load W.

From Step 11(a)ii

 $M_{\text{req}} = 122$  in.lb



FIGURE 4-21

Preq for translation restraint of stud

For full live load L *(with PLL from Step 7c)*

 $P_{\text{req}} = 0.02 P_{\text{LL}} = 0.02(1.73)(1000)$  $= 34.6$  lb.

For dead load D *(with PDL from Step 7c)* 

 $P_{req} = 0.02P_{DL} = 0.02(1.06)(1000)$  $= 21.2$  lb.

#### Step 13(a) – Bridging Channel to Bridging Clip Angle Screws

From Design Example #2 Step 2(c) and Figures 2-12 and 4-21 the spacing between the screws is given by:

 $x = 1.101"$ 

Required shear per screw

 $Load Case I$   $D + L$ 

For translational restraint only  $V_{req} = (34.6 + 21.2)/2$  $= 28$  lb/screw

Load Case II  $W + D$ 

For translational restraint + torsional restraint  $V_{req} = 21.2/2 + 122/1.101$  $= 121$  lb/screw

*(The Vreq /screw total conservatively assumes the two contributing components are directly additive even though they act in different directions.)* 

Load Case III  $D + 0.75(L + D)$ 

For translational restraint + torsional restraint  $V_{\text{req}} = 21.2/2 + 0.75(34.6)/2 + 0.75(122)/1.101$  $= 107$  lb/screw

Load Case II governs and  $V_{req}$  = 121 lb/screw.

Allowable shear per screw

Screw design input values:



Vall /screw = 370 lb. with Equation E4.3.1-1 governing *(Calculations not shown – see Design Example #2 Step 2(c) for typical procedure).* 

Gives  $V_{\text{all}} = 370 \text{ lb.} > 121 \text{ lb.}$  *OK* 

### Step 13(b) – Bridging Clip Angle to Stud Screws

From Figure 4-21 with a 3-1/2" long bridging clip angle, the spacing between the screws is assumed to be 2.75"

Required pullout per screw

 $Load Case I$   $D + L$ 

For translational restraint only  $T_{req} = (34.6 + 21.2)/2$  $= 28$  lb/screw

Load Case II  $W + D$ 

For translational restraint + torsional restraint *(Moments about "c" Fig. 4- 21)*  $T_{req} = 21.2/2 + 122/(2.75 + 0.375)$  $= 50$  lb/screw

Load Case III  $D + 0.75(L + D)$ 

For translational restraint + torsional restraint *(Moments about "c" Fig. 4- 21)*  $V_{\text{req}} = 21.2/2 + 0.75(34.6)/2 + 0.75(122)/(2.75 + 0.375)$  $= 53$  lb/screw

Load Case III governs and  $V_{req} = 53$  lb/screw.

Allowable pullout per screw

Screw design input values:

 $t_c = t_2 = 0.0566$ " and  $F_u = 65$  ksi Screw = #10-16 d = 0.190" *(App. A Table A-2)*

Tall /screw = 198 lb. *(Calculations not shown – see Design Example #2 Step 2(c) for typical procedure)*

Gives  $T_{\text{all}} = 198 \text{ lb.} > 53 \text{ lb.}$  *OK* 

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# Appendix A Design Values for Self-Drilling Screws and Welds

There are a variety of acceptable fasteners for connecting CFSF members. This appendix provides design data only for welds and self-drilling screws.

# A.1 Welds

The strengths of fillet and flare groove welds are defined in the *AISI Specification* Sections E2.4 and E2.5. The strength is a function of the weld type, weld length, material thickness, material tensile strength, and the direction of loading.

The design examples in this Guide use a simplified conservative approach as follows *(The terms are defined in the AISI Specification):*

- The allowable strength of all fillet and flare-bevel groove welds irrespective of the length to thickness ratio or direction of loading is set equal to 0.75tLFu  $/\Omega$ with  $\Omega$  = 3.05. This expression is valid for the welding of metallic coated or uncoated material provided the effective throats of welds are not less than the thickness of the thinnest connected part.
- In addition, if  $t > 0.10$  inch, the allowable strength determined above shall not exceed  $0.75t_wLF_{xx}/\Omega$  with  $\Omega$  = 2.55.
- •
- For welded connections in which the thickness of the thinnest connected part is greater than 3/16 in. reference is made to the AISC "Specification for Structural Steel Buildings, Allowable Strength Design and Plastic Design", or the "Load and Resistance Factor Design Specification for Structural Steel Buildings"

In the design examples, the drawings show a nominal weld size of 1/8". Where this approach is used on engineering drawings, it should be accompanied by a note: "For material less than or equal to 0.10" thick, drawings show nominal weld leg sizes. For such material, the effective throat of welds shall not be less than the thickness of the thinnest connected part."

# A.2 Self-Drilling Screws

For the purposes of this Guide, the design strength of self-drilling screw connections are calculated in accordance with the requirements of the *AISI Specification* Section E4, E5 and C2. The relevant sub-sections are as follows:

- Section E4.3.1 tilting and bearing failure modes
- Section E4.3.2 connection shear limited by end distance
- Section E4.3.3 shear in the screw itself
- Section E4.4.1 pull-out
- Section E4.4.2 pull-over
- Section E4.4.3 tension in the screw itself.
- Section E5 rupture
- Section C2 tension members

It is assumed that pull-over, Section E4.4.2, does not govern for typical CFSF screwed connections.

The sections covering tension and shear in the screw itself require the use of test values. The ultimate strengths defined in Table A-1 will be used in the design examples.



# *Note A.1-1*

- *1. The shear and tensile strengths in Table A-1 have been taken from the 2005 product catalogue by ITW Construction Products for Buildex TEKS self-drilling self-tapping screws and may not be appropriate for other screw types or products from other screw manufacturers. Other screw types are acceptable provided the shear and tensile strengths are available from the manufacturer or from test.*
- *2. The AISI Specification allows the use of test values in lieu of the design expressions in E4.*

In addition, the design of screwed connections require the nominal hole diameter. Appropriate values for design are provided in Table A-2 *(taken from reference AISI 2001b)*.



# Appendix B Anchor Design Values

There are a variety of acceptable fasteners for connecting CFSF members to either concrete or steel structures. This appendix provides design data for three types of anchors: wedge type expansion anchors (concrete), self-tapping concrete screw anchors (concrete) and low velocity pins (concrete and steel).

# B.1 Wedge Type Expansion Anchors

The design values in this appendix have been taken from ICC Evaluation Service Report No. ESR-1385 (Issued September 1, 2004) for carbon steel Kwik Bolt 3 fasteners by Hilti Inc. and will not be appropriate for other anchor types or anchors of similar type by other manufacturers. Other anchor types are acceptable provided the design values are available from the manufacturer or from test.

*Alternative ACI 318-05 Appendix D design data for anchorage in cracked and uncracked concrete can be found in ICC Evaluation Service Report No. ESR-1917 (issued September 1, 2005) for Kwik Bolt TZ anchors by Hilti.* 

Only a part of the design data is included here and the user is referred to the report for additional information such as detail on the fasteners themselves, installation, inspection, other embedment depths, other concrete types, other fastener types, identification requirements and limits of applicability for the design values.





# Notes B.1

These note apply to Tables B.1-1 and B.1-2 for normal weight uncracked concrete.

- 1. Tension values require special inspection as defined in the ICC report. For tension values without special inspection multiply the listed value by 1/2.
- 2. For  $C \geq C_{cr}$  and  $S \geq S_{cr}$  no reduction in allowable load is required.
- 3. When using  $C_{\text{min}}$  for shear, reduce allowable load by 50%. When using  $C_{min}$  for tension, reduce allowable load by 20%.
- 4. When using  $S_{min}$  for shear, reduce allowable load by 10%. When using S<sub>min</sub> for tension, reduce allowable load by 40%
- 5. For S and C between listed minimum and critical values, linearly interpolate the allowable load reduction.
- 6. For embedments between listed values, linearly interpolate values for  $S_{cr}$ ,  $S_{min}$ ,  $C_{cr}$ , and Cmin.
- 7. For embedment depths or concrete strengths between listed values, linearly interpolate values for allowable tension and shear.
- 8. Load reductions are multiplied when considering simultaneous reductions due to edge distance and spacing.
- 9. For combined tension and shear:

$$
\left(\frac{T}{T_{all}}\right)^{5/3} + \left(\frac{V}{V_{all}}\right)^{5/3} \le 1.0
$$

 where: T = applied tension load V = applied shear load  $T_{all}$  = allowable tension strength  $V<sub>all</sub>$  = allowable shear strength

10. Shear values in Table B-1.1 are reduced, where required, for the effect of fastener threads in the shear plane. No further reduction is therefore required.
## B.2 Self-Tapping Concrete Screw Anchors

The design values in this appendix have been taken from ICC Evaluation Service Report No. ESR-1671 (Issued March 1, 2006) for Tapcon concrete screw anchors with advanced threadform technology by Illinois Tool Works, Inc., Buildex Division and will not be appropriate for other anchor types or anchors of similar type by other manufacturers. Other screw anchor types are acceptable provided the design values are available from the manufacturer or from test.

Only a part of the design data is included here and the user is referred to the report for additional information such as detail on the fasteners themselves, installation, inspection, other embedment depths, other concrete types, other fastener types, identification requirements and limits of applicability for the design values.





#### Notes B.2

These notes apply to Table B.2-1 and B.2-2 for normal weight uncracked concrete.

- 1. Tension values require special inspection as defined in the ICC report. For tension values without special inspection multiply the listed value by 1/2.
- 2. The critical edge and spacing distances are for full anchor capacity, and the minimum edge and spacing distances are for reduced anchor capacity.
- 3. For spacings and edge distances between listed minimum and critical values, linearly interpolate the load reduction factor.
- 4. Load reductions are multiplied when considering simultaneous reductions due to edge distance and spacing.
- 5. For combined tension and shear:

$$
\left(\frac{T}{T_{all}}\right) + \left(\frac{V}{V_{all}}\right) \le 1.0
$$

 where:  $T =$  applied tension load V = applied shear load  $T_{all}$  = allowable tension load Vall = allowable shear load

6. Under 2003 IBC, use of anchors installed in normal-weight concrete to resist seismic loads is beyond the scope of the ICC Evaluation Service Report No. ESR-1671.

### B.3 Powder Actuated Fasteners into Concrete

The design values in this appendix have been taken from ICC Evaluation Service Report No. ESR-1663 (issued May 1, 2006) and ESR-2269 (issued June 1, 2007). The design values are for Hilti X-DNI and X-U low-velocity powder actuated fasteners (PAF) and will not be appropriate for other PAF types or PAF's of similar type by other manufacturers. Other PAF types are acceptable provided the design values are available from the manufacturer or from test.

Only a part of the design data is included here and the user is referred to the report for additional information such as detail on the fasteners themselves, installation, inspection, other fastener types, identification requirements and limits of applicability for the design values.



#### Notes B.3

These notes apply to Table B.3-1

- 1. The tabulated allowable loads utilize a factor of safety that is greater then or equal to 5.
- 2. Minimum edge distance is 3 inches and minimum centre to centre spacing is 4 inches.

3. For combined tension and shear

$$
\left(\frac{T}{T_{all}}\right) + \left(\frac{V}{V_{all}}\right) \le 1.0
$$

 where:  $T =$  applied tension load  $V =$  applied shear load  $T_{\text{all}}$  = allowable tension load Vall = allowable shear load

- 4. Uncracked concrete is assumed.
- 5. The use of fasteners to resist earthquake loads is outside the scope of the ICC Evaluation Service Report No. ESR-1663 and ESR-2269.
- 6. Deeper fastener embedments of 1-1/4 and 1-1/2 inch may require specific Powder-Actuated Tool (PAT) types and cartridge booster settings. Consult with the manufacturer.

### B.4 Powder Actuated Fasteners into Steel

The design values in this appendix have been taken from ICC Evaluation Service Report No. ESR-1663 (issued May 1, 2006) and ESR-2269 (issued June 1, 2007). The design values are for Hilti X-EDNI and X-U knurled low-velocity powder actuated fasteners (PAF) and will not be appropriate for other PAF types or PAF's of similar type by other manufacturers. Other PAF types are acceptable provided the design values are available from the manufacturer or from test. *(Note that the test data for powder actuated fasteners into steel can be transposed into allowable loads using the AISI Specification Section F. This AISI approach can be used in lieu of the allowable loads provided in the ICC reports.)*

Only a part of the design data is included here and the user is referred to the report for additional information such as detail on the fasteners themselves, installation, inspection, other fastener types, identification requirements and limits of applicability for the design values.



#### Notes B.4

These notes apply to Table B.4-1

1. The tabulated allowable loads utilize a factor of safety that is greater then or equal to 5.

- 2. Base Steel Requirements
	- 2.1 For X-EDNI fasteners: For base material >  $1/8$ " thick –  $F_y \ge 36$  ksi and  $F_u \ge 58$  ksi. For base material =  $1/8$ " thick – F<sub>y</sub>  $\geq$  50.8 ksi
	- 2.2 For X-U fasteners: Base material must comply with the minimum requirements of ASTM A36.
- 3. Minimum edge distance is 1/2 inches and minimum centre to centre spacing is 1 inch.
- 4. For combined tension and shear

$$
\left(\frac{T}{T_{all}}\right) + \left(\frac{V}{V_{all}}\right) \le 1.0
$$

 where:  $T =$  applied tension load V = applied shear load  $T_{all}$  = allowable tension load Vall = allowable shear load

- 5. The use of fasteners to resist earthquake loads is outside the scope of the ICC Evaluation Service Report No. ESR-1663 and ESR-2269.
- 6. Allowable load for 1/2 inch embedment in 3/4 inch steel.
- 7. Allowable load for 3/8 inch embedment in 3/4 inch steel.

# Appendix C Simplified Approximate Method for the Calculation of Warping Torsional Stresses

*Winter 1950 outlines an approximate method for the calculation of warping torsional stresses. The following has been taken directly from the original paper with the exception of some added comments in brackets and minor simplifications in the algebra.* 

"... The performance of a channel loaded in the plane of the web *(and therefore eccentric with respect to the shear center)* can be visualized most simply by thinking of a single load P at midspan *(of a single span beam)* and considering the displacement of the midspan section as proceeding in successive stages depicted in Figure C-1. The section, then, is thought of as being first displaced downward in simple translation *(with the load P through the shear center)*. The stresses introduced would be those of simple beam theory and are indicated in character by the appropriate signs at the corners of the section (Fig. C-1b). Next the channel is considered as cut and the two halves displaced *(by the forces F where Fh = Pe*) much like two individual beams resulting in the appropriate indicated corner stresses (Fig. C-1c). To fit the two halves together they are next rotated about their individual shear centers, giving rise to ordinary shear stresses of the St. Venant character (Fig. C-1d). In this inclined position, finally, the component of the vertical load parallel to the major axis, βP, causes additional bending about the minor axis, with its corresponding normal stresses (Fig. C-1e)...... It is evident that under such a stress distribution cross sections distort out of their original plane; for this reason the stresses associated, in particular, with the displacement stage (c) of Figure C-1 are generally known as warping stresses......

*(By comparison with a more precise theoretical model, it was demonstrated that warping torsional stresses could be predicted with reasonable accuracy by adding the stresses for Figures C-1b and C-1c only. In addition, the term* β*h/2 was found to be small such that F could be approximated by Pe/h. Lastly, the analysis was extended to channels with intermediate braces as depicted in Figure C-2.)* 

... The action of intermediate braces is now easily visualized. It prevents horizontal displacement of the fictitious half-beams at the points of bracing; consequently, these half-beams are converted from simple beams of span length equal to that of the entire channel to continuous beams with individual spans equal to the distances between braces *(L versus l0 in Figure C-2 for the particular case of bracing at third points)*. The resulting maximum horizontal bending moment on the 'half-beam' and the corresponding stresses of Figure C-1c are less than one quarter of those obtained without bracing, as can be verified easily by continuous beam analysis ...

For horizontal bending the cross section of each half-beam is regarded as consisting of the flange, lip and one quarter of the web. *(The one quarter web assumption was verified by comparison with a more accurate theoretical model.)* This beam is loaded horizontally at all points where vertical loads P act on the channel by the corresponding horizontal loads F  $=$  Pe/h ... For distributed vertical load p the corresponding distributed horizontal load, of course, is  $f = pe/h$ . Each half-beam so loaded represents a continuous beam supported at the braces, as shown for one particular case in Figure C-2. Stresses from this horizontal bending (Figure C-3b) are computed in the usual manner and superimposed on those from vertical bending (Figure C-3a) to result in the maximum corner stresses. *(For a sample calculation see Design Example #2.)*

... For design purposes, it is now possible to take one of two positions. Conservatively, one can stipulate that the maximum corner stress shall not exceed the yield point ... Here the use of a single channel with discrete bracing will always be less economical than one with continuous bracing since the corner stress in the former always exceeds that of the latter for the same load. This difference decreases with decreasing spacing of braces. Alternatively, one can take advantage of the reserve strength by plastic stress redistribution *...(such that)* the difference between the maximum corner stress *(due to warping and simple bending superimposed)* shall not exceed a specified fraction of *...(the maximum stress due to simple bending alone).* This fraction must be so specified that it shall not adversely affect the carrying capacity i.e. such that its effect would be obliterated by plastic redistribution.

On the basis of the experimental evidence *(a series of test were run as part of this study)*, it is seen that a 15% overstress does not affect the carrying capacity of the channels significantly... It would seem, therefore, that within the limits of our test evidence, a theoretical overstress of about 15% can be disregarded in practical design. The problem then, merely, to locate braces such that no more than this overstress will occur.

#### *Note C-1*

- *1. For the design examples in this document, the 15% overstress has not been permitted and the corner stress has been limited to the yield stress. This approach has been taken because:* 
	- *The tests that were part of this study only included the case where maximum additive compressive stress due to warping and bending occurred at the flange/web junction. Other studies (Bogdan 1999) indicate that the lip/flange case is more critical and the 15% allowance may not be justified.*
	- *The effect of web punchouts on the torsional strength of the stud is not well understood.*
	- *Some of the bridging details used in standard stud construction are somewhat flexible and allow some twisting to occur at the bridging points. This twist may magnify the warping torsional stresses.*
	- *There is some interaction between lateral instability and warping torsion not accounted for in this procedure.*
	- *In the design examples, the procedure has been extended to loading cases not confirmed by testing*
- *2. More accurate methods for calculating warping torsional stresses are available. Refer to Seaburg 1997 and Moore 2002. These references contain the solution to 12 torsional loading cases but require torsional section properties for the cross section including J, Cw and Wns. Wns , is the normalized warping function at point s on the cross section and is not usually available in published load tables for lightweight steel framing members. Refer to Galambos 1968 for a method of calculation.*







 $(d)$ 

 $(e)$ 

 $Fh + 2M_1 = P(e + \beta h/2)$ 

- is compression
- + is tension

FIGURE C-1







# Appendix D Outer Top Track Flexibility Formulas

To connect wind bearing studs to the structure, inner and outer top track details are useful for accommodating floor deflections and construction tolerances.

The detail is, however, inherently flexible. Some horizontal movement occurs in the track whenever the studs are loaded by wind.

The following approximate formulas provide a lower bound estimate of the movement to be expected assuming uniform loading along the length of the track. Local deformations in the vicinity of fasteners and overall torsional deformations between fastener locations have been neglected. See also Appendix E where it is shown that localized increases in deflection can occur due to discontinuities in the inner top track and due to locally heavily loaded studs (such as jambs).

Two different fastening conditions have been examined:

Figure D-1: Outer top track to concrete with an expansion anchor Figure D-2: Outer top track welded to a steel beam

For both figures:

P = horizontal load from inner top track  $L_2$  = maximum gap.



FIGURE D-1

From Figure D-1:

$$
\delta_{\text{total}} = \delta_1 + \delta_2
$$
  
=  $\theta_A L_2 + \delta_2$   
=  $\frac{PL_2^2 L_1}{8EI} + \frac{PL_2^3}{3EI}$   
=  $\frac{P}{EI} \left( \frac{L_2^2 L_1}{8} + \frac{L_2^3}{3} \right)$ 



FIGURE D-2

From Figure D-2:

$$
\delta_{\text{total}} = \delta_1 + \delta_2
$$
  
=  $\theta_A L_2 + \delta_2$   
=  $\frac{PL_2^2 L_1}{3EI} + \frac{PL_2^3}{3EI}$   
=  $\frac{P}{3EI} (L_2^2 L_1 + L_2^3)$ 

# Appendix E Inner Top Track as a Beam on an Elastic Foundation

The outer top track is typically designed as if uniformly loaded by the inner top track. The validity of this assumption can be reviewed by treating the inner top track as a beam supported by the outer top track which in turn functions as an elastic foundation.

While it may seem intuitively obvious that the inner top track will effectively distribute loads from typical studs spaced at 16" or 24" o.c. it is not so clear that large reactions from window jamb studs will be effectively distributed. A further complication is the case of buildings with short pieces of stud wall interrupted by full height windows and shear walls. This condition is common in condominium type projects.

The basic equations for finite length beams on elastic foundations are taken from Roark 1975.

$$
\beta = (k/4EI)^{1/4}
$$
  
\nC<sub>2</sub> = cosh  $\beta L \sin \beta L + \sinh \beta L \cos \beta L$   
\nC<sub>3</sub> = sinh  $\beta L \sin \beta L$   
\nC<sub>4</sub> = cosh  $\beta L \sin \beta L - \sinh \beta L \cos \beta L$   
\nC<sub>11</sub> = sinh<sup>2</sup>  $\beta L - \sin^2 \beta L$   
\nC<sub>A1</sub> = cosh  $\beta(L - a) \cos \beta(L - a)$   
\nC<sub>A2</sub> = cosh  $\beta(L - a) \sin \beta(L - a) + \sinh \beta(L - a) \cos \beta(L - a)$   
\nF<sub>2</sub> = cosh  $\beta x \sin \beta x + \sinh \beta x \cos \beta x$   
\nF<sub>1</sub> = cosh  $\beta x \cos \beta x$   
\nF<sub>A4</sub> = cosh  $\beta(x - a) \sin \beta(x - a) - \sinh \beta(x - a) \cos \beta(x - a)$ 

If x \n
$$
\leq
$$
 a then F<sub>A4</sub> = 0  
\n $\theta_A = \frac{W}{2EI\beta^2} \frac{C_2C_{A2} - 2C_3C_{A1}}{C_{11}}$   
\n $y_A = \frac{W}{2EI\beta^3} \frac{C_4C_{A1} - C_3C_{A2}}{C_{11}}$ 

 $y =$ local horizontal deflection in outer top track leg

$$
=y_A F_1+\frac{\theta_A F_2}{2\beta}-\frac{W F_{A4}}{4E I \beta^3}
$$

where:

- L = Beam length, inches
- a = Distance from left end to point load, inches
- $x =$  Distance from left end to deflection location, inches
- k = Spring constant for outer top track, lbs/inch per inch of deflection
- $I =$ Inner top track major axis beam inertia, inches $4$
- W = Point load, lbs

## Example E1

Check the inner and outer top track design from Design Example #1 as shown in Figure E-1.





Assume inner top track length = 158"`

Approximate inertia of long legged inner top track by using the deflection inertia for 600T125-43 track section with  $F_y$  = 33 ksi.

 $I_{x(def)} = 1.75$  in<sup>4</sup> ±

From Appendix D *(Figure D-1)* for outer top track leg

$$
\delta_{\text{total}} = \frac{P}{EI} \left( \frac{L_2^2 L_1}{8} + \frac{L_2^3}{3} \right)
$$

The spring constant  $k \omega \delta = 1$ " is given by:

$$
k = \frac{EI}{\frac{L_2^2 L_1}{8} + \frac{L_2^3}{3}}
$$

$$
= \frac{24EI}{3L_2^2 L_1 + 8L_2^3}
$$

For  $t = 0.0713$ " outer top track

 $L_1 = 6"$  $L_2 = 1.5"$  $I = (1/12)bt^3$  $= (1/12)(1)(0.0713)^3$  $= 30.21 \times 10^{-6} \text{ in}^4/\text{in}$  $E = 29.5 \times 10^6 \text{ psi}$ 

Substituting and solving for k:

 $k = 316.9$  lb/in per inch of deflection

See Table E-1 for calculations of outer top track horizontal local deflections at x = 0" and at x = 40" due to stud reactions. *(These deflections are found by solving for y = local horizontal deflection in outer top track leg using the formulas on Page E-1.)* 

Check βL

 $\beta L = 0.0352(158) = 5.6 < 6.0$  *OK* 

#### *Note E-1*

- *1.* Roark 1975 restricts the beam on an elastic foundation to βL ≤ 6 because of *potential round-off errors when two nearly equal large numbers are subtracted.*
- *2. If programmed on a computer the equations are easy to use. Double precision calculations will extend the* β*L* ≤ *6 limit somewhat. See Roark 1975 for alternative equations when* β*L > 6.*
- *3. Theory has not been confirmed by test.*



 $\delta$  = 0.0564 inches at x = 0 inches governs for the point loaded beam (the inner top track) on an elastic foundation (the outer top track).

For a uniform load on the outer top track as a cantilever:  $w = 6.5(28)/12 = 15.17$  lb/in  $\delta = w/k = 15.17/316.9 = 0.0479$  in.

Then:

1.18 0.0479 0.0564  $\frac{\delta_{\text{(outer top track as an elastic foundation)}}}{\delta_{\text{(outer top track as a uniformly loaded cantilever)}}} = \frac{0.0564}{0.0479}$ 

Note that stresses in the cantilevering outer top track leg also increase (locally) by a factor of 1.18.

## Example E2

Repeat Example E1 except with the inner top track cut-off 1" to the left of the jamb. See Figure E-2.



FIGURE E-2



For this case at  $x = 0$ "

2.47 0.0479 0.1183  $\frac{\delta_{\text{(outer top track as an elastic foundation)}}}{\delta_{\text{(outer top track as a uniformly loaded cantilever)}}} = \frac{0.1183}{0.0479} =$ 

and at  $x = 16$ "

36.1 0.0479 0.0651  $\frac{\delta_{\text{(outer top track as an elastic foundation)}}}{\delta_{\text{(outer top track as a uniformly loaded cantilever)}}} = \frac{0.0651}{0.0479}$ 

This example illustrates the locally high outer top track deflections (and stresses) that can develop if the inner top track joint occurs near a heavily loaded stud. For this case, the deflections (and stresses) will be 2.47 times those from the simple uniformly loaded assumption. Note, however, that the stresses will be localized and that at a distance of 16" from the end of the inner top track the ratio has dropped to 1.36. It is likely that the high overstress implied by the 2.47 ratio will be alleviated somewhat by plastic redistribution.

See also Note 1-5 from Design Example #1 for a discussion of plastic versus elastic section modulus when checking the strength of the outer top track leg.

### **Conclusions**

- 1. The outer top track is subject to locally high stresses.
- 2. These locally high stresses are greater where the inner top track joint occurs near a heavily loaded stud.

# Appendix F Bearing Stress Distribution Between Track and Concrete for Axial Load Bearing Studs

The bearing stress distribution between the track and concrete for axial load bearing studs has not been researched with the exception of some preliminary testing at the University of Manitoba. *(A summary of this work has been published – see LGSEA 2001b).* This appendix proposes a method for calculating the bearing area that should be considered an approximation only. See Figure F-1.

The allowable bearing stress on concrete is taken from AISC 2005, Section J8. Allowable bearing stress =  $0.85f_c'/\Omega$ 

 $= 0.85f_c'/2.50$  $= 0.34 f_c'$ 

*Note F-1* 

*Where the ratio of bearing area to the area of the concrete support is less than 1, a higher allowable bearing stress may be permitted. Refer to the relevant concrete specification.* 

The width of track that can cantilever beyond the face of the stud is shown on Figure F-1 as "x" and is calculated as follows:

$$
M_{req} = \frac{0.34f_c' x^2}{2}
$$
  
\n
$$
M_{all} = ZF_y / \Omega
$$
  
\nwhere:  
\n
$$
Z = \text{plastic} \text{ section modulus}
$$
  
\n
$$
= (1/4)bt_t^2 \text{ with } b = 1^{\text{th}}
$$
  
\n
$$
\Omega = 1.67
$$
  
\nSet  $M_{req} = M_{all}$  and solve for x  
\nGives:  
\n
$$
x = 0.938t_{t} \sqrt{\frac{F_y}{f}}
$$

 $f_c$ '  $x = 0.938t$ c t

Then from Figure F-1

$$
A_{\text{brg}} = (B + 2x)(C + x)(2) + [A - 2(C + x)][t_s + 2x]
$$

#### *Note F-2*

*Among other approximations, this bearing area calculation does not take into account the beneficial effect of the flange of the track nor does it account for the detrimental influence of local buckling in the web of the stud.* 



## Appendix G General Method for Determining Stresses in Welded Connections

The following method is taken from Bresler 1967 except that the sign of  $M_v$  has been revised to conform to the usual convention for positive moments.



FIGURE G-1

At any point of the connection, the stress on the weld due to one single component of load can be computed from the conventional formulas (Equations 1, 2 and 3). In Figure G-1, the notation shows  $f_x$  and  $f_y$  as shearing stresses and  $f_z$  as normal stress.

Due to forces:

$$
f_x^I = \frac{P_x}{A}
$$
,  $f_y^I = \frac{P_y}{A}$ ,  $f_z^I = \frac{P_z}{A}$  (1)

Due to moments:

$$
f_x^{II} = \frac{M_z}{I_z} y, \t f_y^{II} = \frac{M_z}{I_z} x, \t f_z^{II} = \frac{M_x}{I_x} y - \frac{M_y}{I_y} x
$$
  
\nwhere:  
\n
$$
A = \int dA \t I_x = \int y^2 dA \t I_y = \int x^2 dA
$$
  
\nand:  
\n
$$
I_z = \int (x^2 + y^2) dA = I_x + I_y
$$
\n(2)

Resultant components of stress with due regard to signs:

$$
f_x = f_x^I - f_x^{II},
$$
  $f_y = f_y^I + f_y^{II},$   $f_z = f_z^I + f_z^{II}$  (3)

For fillet welds, x, y, and z components of stress on a given leg of the weld are used to determine q<sub>req</sub>, the maximum required resultant shear force per unit length of weld, and the latter is arbitrarily considered a "shear" force acting on the throat section as follows:

$$
q_{req} = t f = t \sqrt{f_x^2 + f_y^2 + f_z^2}
$$

where t is the effective throat dimension.

For welded connections with welds of uniform size, calculations may be simplified by considering  $t = 1$  and computing  $q_{req}$  values directly without calculating stresses. In this method, all loads acting on a fillet weld are considered as shears, independent of their actual direction.

See Design Example No. 3, Steps 7(h) and 7(i) for a worked examples using this approach.

# Appendix H Simplified Conservative Design Approach for Equal Leg Angles without Lips

This appendix proposes a simplified method for calculating the axial capacity of equal leg angles without lips.

It is proposed to restrict compressive stresses such that local buckling does not occur either due to axial load or moment. This approach will substantially underestimate the true capacity of angles particularly when the flat width to thickness ratio of the unstiffened flanges is large. However, where efficient use of material is less important than efficient use of a designer's time, this approach is useful.



From the *AISI Specification* Section B2.1

 $\lambda \leq 0.673$  for fully effective behavior (i.e. no local buckling)

$$
\lambda = \sqrt{\frac{f}{F_{cr}}} \leq 0.673
$$

Substitute into the expression for  $\lambda$  the following:

$$
F_{cr} = \frac{k\pi^2 E}{12(1-\mu^2)} \left(\frac{t}{w}\right)^2
$$

 $\mu = 0.3$ E = 29500 ksi  $k = 0.43$ 

and setting equal to 0.673 and reworking gives:

$$
f = \frac{5190}{(w/t)^2} \text{ ksi}
$$

Thus if bending and axial stresses are restricted to f, then local buckling can be neglected. Overall stability of the angle must, of course, still be checked.

## Appendix I Reaction Forces at End of Stud

Figure I-1 is a free body diagram of a short piece of stud at the end support. An all-steel design approach is assumed – that is, sheathings are assumed to provide no torsional restraint to the studs. This free body diagram is appropriate for designing the restraint required for the end of the stud in order to transfer the stud end shear and torsion.





#### The applied forces consist of:

- The resultant internal shear, *R*, at the end of the stud with a line of action through the stud shear center.
- The accumulated torsion between the end reaction and the first line of bridging given by *Kawm* with:
	- *a* = distance between the end reaction and the first line of bridging
	- *w* = wind load/unit length assumed to be applied through the web of the stud
	- *m* = distance from the centerline of the stud web to the shear center

*K* = coefficient considering force distribution at supports. *(Where the accumulated torsion Kawm relieves the internal connection stresses, it is conservative to underestimate the value for the constant K. The AISI Specification (D3.2.2) uses K = 1.5 for interior torsional brace points. A value of K = 0.50/1.5 =* 

*0.33 at the end reaction would be a conservatively low assumption consistent with the conservatively high 1.5 value for an interior line of bridging. Alternatively, where the accumulated torsion adds to the internal connection stresses K = 1.5(0.50) = 0.75 would be appropriate.)*

The reaction forces (and the forces applied to the end connection) consist of:

- The reaction force, *R*, which is assumed to be applied along the line of the stud web.
- The moment, *Rm Kawm*, which is required for equilibrium.

*Note that for continuous stud applications, the restraint force Rm - Kawm also applies at interior*  reaction points. Once again, where the torsional component Kawm relieves the internal *connection stresses, it is conservative to underestimate the value of the constant K. For this case, a value of K = 1.00/1.5 = 0.67 at the interior reaction would be a conservatively low assumption consistent with the conservatively high 1.5 value (AISI Specification D3.2.2) for an interior line of bridging.* 

## Appendix J Product Identification

The cold formed steel framing manufacturers use a universal designator system for their products. The designator is a four part code which identifies depth, flange width, member type and material thickness.

Example: 600S162-54



*Notes:* 

- *1. The designator remains the same in imperial and metric.*
- *2. Material thickness is given as the minimum thickness exclusive of coatings and represents 95% of the design thickness. See the AISI Specification Section A2.4.*
- *3. For those sections with a yield strength other than 33 ksi, the yield strength used in design needs to be identified on the contractual documents and when ordering the steel. [e.g. "600S162-54 (50 ksi)" for 50 ksi yield material. "600S162-54 (50)" is also acceptable.]*
- *4. For track, "T", sections, depth is a nominal inside to inside dimension. Other dimensions are out to out.*



*5. For "S" sections (studs and joist) lip lengths are standardized as follows:* 

*6. Section styles are defined in Figure J-1* 



FIGURE J-1