Verification example Extended Moment End-Plate

Type of connection: Extended Moment End-Plate connection

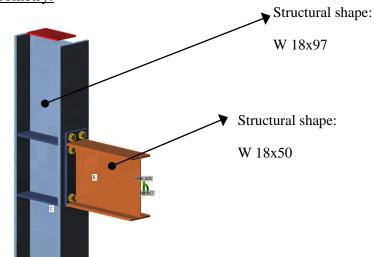
Unit system: Imperial (converted to metric)

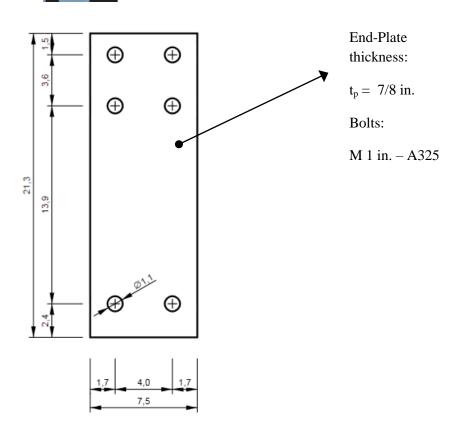
Designed acc. to: AISC 360-10 - Design Guide 16 – LRFD

Investigated: Bolts, End-plate

Materials: Steel A36, Bolts A325

Geometry:





Applied forces:

M = 252 kip-ft

V = 0 kips

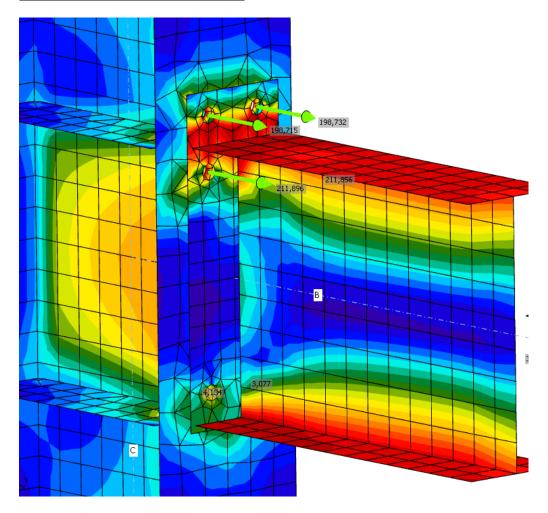
N = 0 kips

Procedure:

For the purpose of verification, it is considered that the design is determined by bolt rupture with prying actions. Therefore the design procedure with prying actions (acc. DG16) is used.

Example is based on an example in AISC Design Examples v14.1 - EXAMPLE II.B-4 FOUR-BOLT UNSTIFFENED EXTENDED END-PLATE FR MOMENT -CONNECTION (BEAM-TO-COLUMN FLANGE)

IDEA StatiCa Connection – results



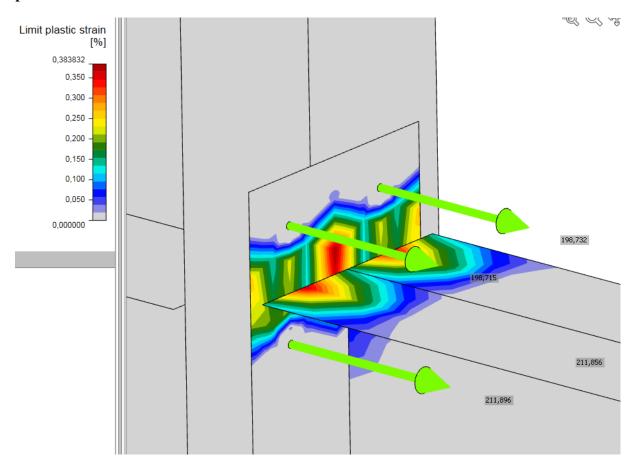
The extreme tension force in upper bolt is Ft = 211.9 kN = 47.6 kips

The ultimate tensile strength of 1 in. – A325 is ϕ **Fnt = 53 kips**

acc. Table J3-2 and Eq. J3-1

The unit check: 47.6/53 = 0.90 = 90%

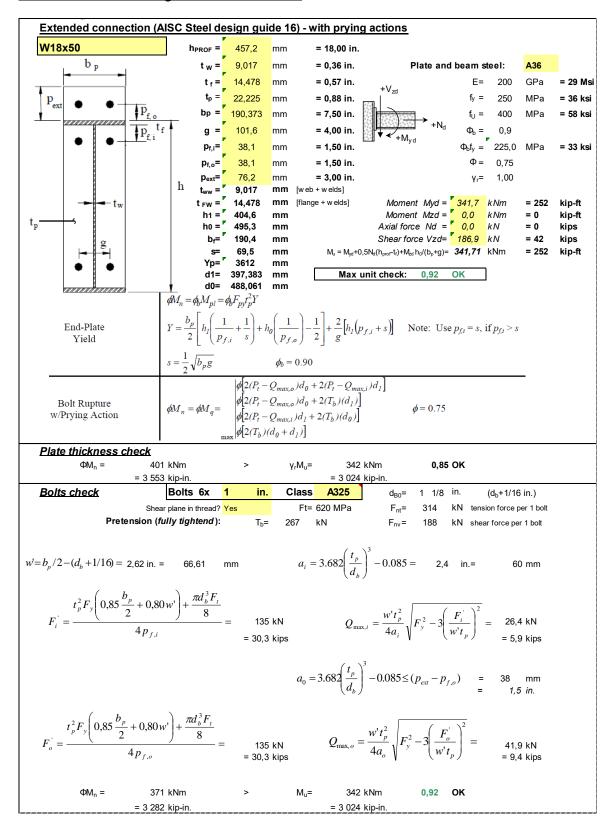
Picture below shows that certain areas of connection overcome the yield strength. Therefore, the plastic strain limit must be taken into consideration:



The maximal plastic strain is around 0.38%, which is significantly under the limit of 5%.

It's clear that the designed connection is close to its limit by both limit states of bolt rupture and by limit state of plate thickness. However the connection design is satisfactory, the unit check is then around 0.90.

AISC 360-10 and Design Guide 16 – results



The different stiffness of extended part (in CBFEM calc.) probably causes the non-linear force distribution in bolts. Therefore, the force in inner bolts is bigger than in outside ones. The standard

approach in Design guide 16 is taken as the linear distribution along the height of connection, therefore the force in outside bolts is greater than in inner ones.

However we can compare the final bolts' capacity, which is around 0.92 = 92%

Comparison:

The results show, that the force computed using CBFEM method by IDEA StatiCa is almost identical with the standard approach in AISC Design Guides.

The stress of end-plate in IDEA StatiCa calculation is beyond the yield strength and the end-plate undergoes a plastification. The strain limit is under the 5% limit. The check using AISC Design Guide 16 gives a unit ratio 0.85 which is quite close to the limit. The check of end-plate is satisfactory in both software calculation and DG calculation.