

Crane Girder Design



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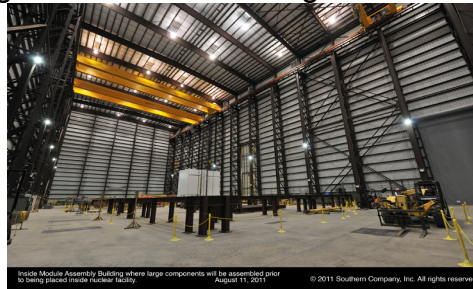
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Learning Objectives:

- Discuss the design of crane girder connections for good fatigue performance.
- Demonstrate the design of industrial crane girders.
- Demonstrate design of crane girders to resist seismic loads.

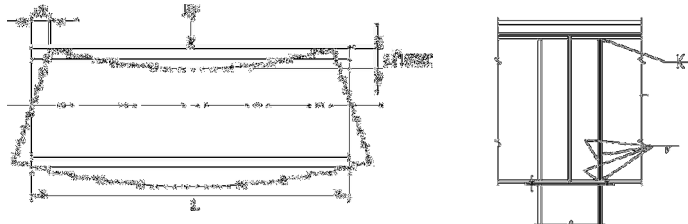


Inside Module Assembly Building where large components will be assembled prior to being placed inside finished facility. August 11, 2011 © 2011 Southern Company, Inc. All rights reserved.

Crane Girder Details

Proper detailing is the key to good fatigue performance

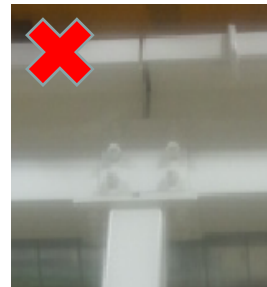
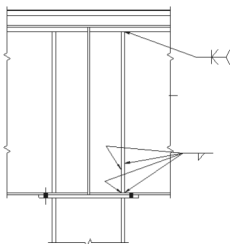
The vast majority of crane girder performance issues occur at the crane girder to column connection.



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Column or Bracket Support

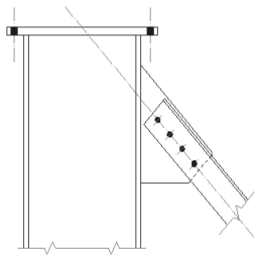
- Do not use framed or clip angle type connections.
- Extend bearing stiffeners the full height of the girder
- Weld to the girder top flange with full penetration welds or welds sized for the wheel loads.
- Weld to the girder web and bottom flange with properly sized continuous fillet welds.



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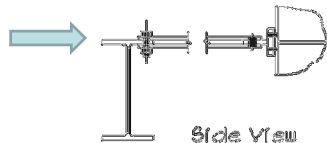
Crane Column Cap Plates

- Allow girder end rotation
 - avoid thick cap plates
 - place the bolts outside of the column flanges.
- Do not use knee braces
- Allow for adjustment in placing the crane girder.

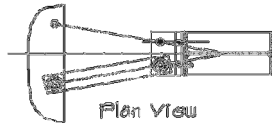


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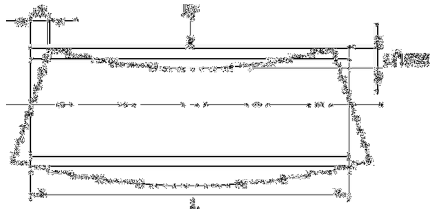
Tie Back Design



Side View



Plan View



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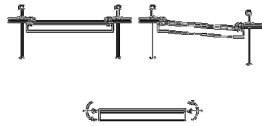
Girder Lacing

Using a truss to stabilize the top and bottom flange for lateral loads



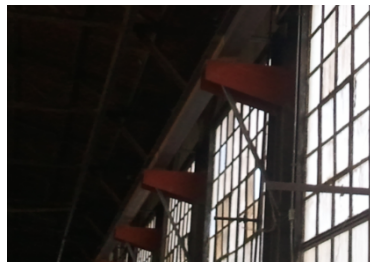
Detail to avoid creating inadvertent continuity in adjacent spans

Consider bending in the angles due to relative vertical movement.



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Problematic Girder Support



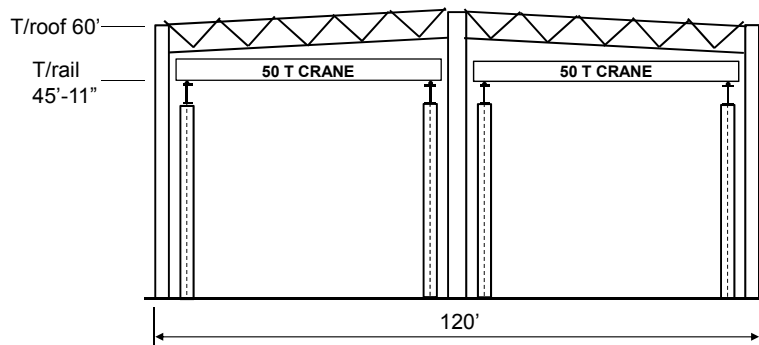
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Crane Girder Example



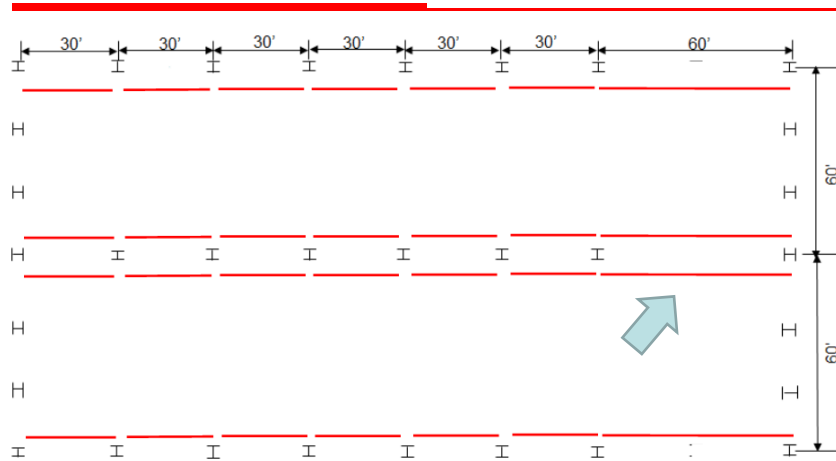
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Cross Section



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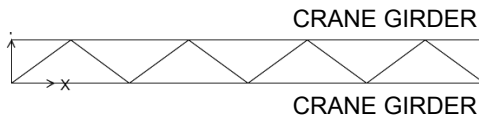
Building Footprint



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60 ft Runway Girder:

Center Condition:



Use angles to create a truss at the top and bottom of the girders.



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Codes, Standards & Ref's

- Building Code: IBC 2015
- Minimum Design Loads For Buildings And Other Structures (ASCE 7-10)
- Guide for the Design and Construction of Mill Buildings (AISE Tech Report No. 13, 2003)
- Industrial Buildings Roofs to Anchor Rods 2nd ed. (AISC Steel Design Guide Number 7, 2004)



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Design of a Runway Girder

Crane capacity = 50 tons (CMAA Class D)
Bridge weight = 90.8 kips
Trolley and hoist weight = 31.2 kips
Wheel load = 78 kips (Maximum with lifted load)
Wheel spacing = 11.0 ft.
Rail weight = 175 lbs./yard

Vertical impact = 25% of wheel loads
Lateral load = 20% of lifted load + trolley and hoist
Longitudinal load = 10% of the maximum wheel loads.

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Performance Requirements

Crane Girder Deflection Limits

- Vertical $L/800$
- Horizontal $L/400$

Service Life

-500,000 cycles

CMAA Class D:

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Load Combinations

Strength Design Loads: ASCE 7-10

Chapter 2 Section 2.3 Basic Load Combinations

$$2) 1.2D + 1.6L$$

Chapter 12 Section 12.4 Seismic Load Effects, Combinations

$$5a) (1.2 + 0.2S_{DS})D + \rho Q_E + L + .2S$$

$$5a) (1.2 + 0.2S_{DS})(D + C_d) + \rho Q_E$$

Serviceability

Vertical wheel loads without impact & 100% lateral load

Fatigue Life Design Load

wheel loads without impact (one crane)

50% of maximum lateral load (one crane)

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Seismic Loads

- Spectral Acceleration, S_s : 1.054 G
- Spectral Acceleration, S_1 : 0.400 G
- Occupancy Category: II
- Site Class: D
- Importance Factor, I: 1.0

$$S_{MS} = F_a S_s = (1.1)(1.054) = 1.16g \quad S_{M1} = F_v S_1 = (1.6)(0.400) = 0.640g$$

$$S_{DS} = \frac{2}{3} S_{MS} = \frac{2}{3} (1.16) = 0.77g \quad S_{D1} = \frac{2}{3} S_{M1} = \frac{2}{3} (0.64) = 0.43g$$

- Seismic Design Category = D

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Design of a Runway Girder

Evaluate for Seismic Loads: Design Crane Girder to resist loads based on ASCE 7-10 Chapter 13: Seismic Design Requirements for Nonstructural Components

$$F_p = \frac{A a_p S_{DS} W_p}{R_p I_p} \left(1 + 2 \frac{z}{h} \right) \quad a_p = 2.5, \quad R_p = 3.5$$

(Table 13.5-1 "Other flexible components, High deformability element and attachments)

$$I_p = 1.0 \quad (\text{section 13.1.3})$$

$$z = 45.9 \text{ ft.} \quad h = 60.0 \text{ ft.} \quad S_{DS} = 0.770$$

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Runway Girder -Seismic

$$F_p = \frac{.4(2.5)(.77)W_p}{\left(\frac{3.5}{1.0}\right)} \left(1 + 2 \frac{45.9}{60.0}\right) = .56W_p$$

$$\text{Total Bridge + Trolley} = 90.8 \text{ k} + 30.2 \text{ k} = 122 \text{ k.}$$

$$F_p = .56(122 \text{ kips}) = 68.3 \text{ k. } F_p/\text{wheel} = 17.1 \text{ k. (ult.)}$$

$$C_d = \frac{90.8}{4} + \frac{30.2}{2} = 35.8 \text{ kips/wheel (Vertical Load)}$$

For Comparison: Max wheel load = 78 k.

$$F_{ulat} = 1.6 * .2(100 + 31.2) = 42.0 \text{ kip } F_{ulat}/\text{wheel} = 10.5 \text{ kips}$$

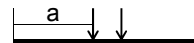
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LRFD Design of 60' Crane Girder

Deflection requirements: Locate wheel loads symmetrically placed about the girder centerline. $a = 24.5 \text{ ft. (294 in.)}$

Vertical: $L/800 = (60 \text{ ft.})(12)/800 = 0.9 \text{ in.}$

$$I_{xreqd}: \Delta_{max} = \frac{P_a a}{24EI} (3L^2 - 4a^2)$$



$$\Delta_{max} = \frac{(78)(294)}{24(29000)I} (3(720)^2 - 4(294)^2) = \frac{39849}{I}$$

$$I_{xreqd} = \frac{39849}{\Delta_{max}} = \frac{39849}{.9} = 44277 \text{ W40x593 } I_x = 50,400 \text{ in}^4$$

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Design of 60 ft Runway Girder

Calculate Moments & Forces 1.2D+1.6L:

$$DL \text{ (Girder + Rail + Clamps)} = 593 + 175/3 + 20 = 671 \text{ lbs/ft}$$

$$M_{DL} = (1/8)wL^2 = (1/8)(0.67 \text{ kips/ft})(60 \text{ ft})^2 = 302 \text{ k-ft}$$

M_{LL} : See table 3-23 case 44



$$M_{LL} = \frac{1.25 * 78}{2(60)} (60 - 11/2)^2 = 2413 \text{ kip-ft.}$$

$$M_{ux} = 1.2 * M_{DL} + 1.6 * M_{ULL} = 1.2 * 302 + 1.6 * 2413 = 4223 \text{ k-ft.}$$

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Design of 60 ft Runway Girder

Calculate Moments & Forces 1.2D+1.6L :

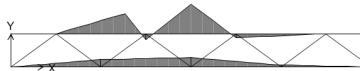
$$M_{uy} = \frac{1.6 * 6.6}{2(60)} (60 - 11/2)^2 = 261 \text{ k-ft. (total)}$$

Calculate chord force in truss:

$$P_u = \left(\frac{261}{5.5}\right) = 47 \text{ k (top flange)}$$

Bending Between the panel points:

$$M_{uy} = 49 \text{ k-ft. (per model)}$$



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Design of 60 ft Runway Girder

Available Moment: $L_b = 15$ ft., $L_r = 63.9$ ft., $L_p = 13.4$ ft.
See table 3-2

$L_p \leq L_b \leq L_r$ Therefore use Equation F2 – 2:

$$M_n = C_b [M_p - (M_p - .7F_y S_x) \left(\frac{L_b - L_p}{L_r - L_p} \right)] \leq M_p$$

$$M_n = 1.0 [11400 - (11400 - .7(50) \left(\frac{2340}{12} \right)) \left(\frac{15 - 13.4}{63.9 - 13.4} \right)] \leq 11400$$

$$M_n = 11255 \text{ k-ft.} \quad \phi M_n = .9 * 11255 = 10130 \text{ k-ft}$$

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Design of 60 ft Runway Girder

Check combined forces on girder 1.2D+1.6L

$$\frac{kl}{r_y} = \frac{15 * 12}{4.82} = 37.3 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \phi P_n = 40.7 * 3.23 * 16.7 = 2195 \text{ k}$$

$$\phi M_{ny} = \phi F_y Z_y / 2 = (.9)(50)(481)/2 / 12 = 902 \text{ kip-ft.}$$

$$\phi M_{nx} = 10130 \text{ kip-ft.}$$

Interaction per AISC Chapter H

$$\frac{P_u}{2\phi P_n} + \frac{M_{ux}}{\phi M_{nx}} + \frac{M_{uy}}{\phi M_{ny}} \leq 1.0 \quad \frac{47}{2 * 2195} + \frac{4223}{10130} + \frac{49}{902} = .51 \text{ OK}$$

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Design of 60 ft Runway Girder

Evaluate for Seismic Loads (Continued):

Recall: $M_{DL} = 302 k - ft.$

$M_{LL} = 2413 k - ft. (1.25 * \text{Wheel load of } 156 \text{ kips})$

$P_u = 69 k$ (For Lat. wheel loads of 10.6 kips)

$M_{uy} = 49 k - ft. (For Lat. wheel loads of 10.6 kips)$

For load Case 5a: $(1.2 + .2S_{DS})(D + C_d) + \rho Q_E$

$M_{ux} = (1.35)[(302) + (35.8/(1.25 * 156))(2413)] = 1006 k-ft.$

$P_u = \frac{(17.1)}{(10.6)} 47 = 76 \text{ kip (total)}$

$M_{uy} = (17.1/10.6) 49 \text{ kip-ft.} = 79 k-ft.$

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For Load Case 5a W40 Crane Girder

Interaction per AISC Chapter H

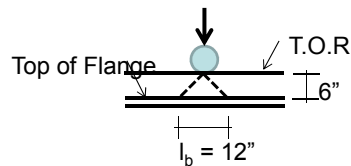
$$\frac{P_u}{2\phi P_n} + \frac{M_{ux}}{\phi M_{nx}} + \frac{M_{uy}}{\phi M_{ny}} \leq 1.0 \quad \frac{76}{2 * 2195} + \frac{1009}{10130} + \frac{79}{902} = .21 \text{ OK}$$

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Design of 60 ft Runway Girder

Check Limit states for:

- Shear
- Web Local Yielding J10.2 (wheel loads)
- Web Local Crippling J10.3 (wheel loads)
- Web Sidesway Buckling J10.4 (wheel loads)



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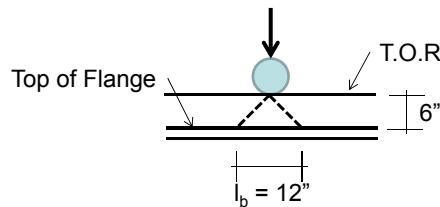
Check Web Local Yielding- AISC J10.2 W40x593

$$\phi = 1.$$

$$\phi R_n = \phi F_{yw} t_w (5k + l_b) \quad J10-2$$

$$= (1.0)(50 \text{ ksi})(1.79 \text{ in.})[(5)(4.41 \text{ in.}) + (12 \text{ in.})] = 3047 \text{ kips}$$

$$156 \text{ kips} < 3047 \text{ kips ok}$$



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Check Web Local Crippling- AISC J10.3 W40X593

$t_f = 3.23$ in., $t_w = 1.79$ in., $d = 43.0$ in., $l_b = 12$ in. $\phi = .75$

$$\phi R_n = \phi .8 t_w^2 \left[1 + 3 \left(\frac{l_b}{d} \right) \left(\frac{t_w}{t_f} \right)^{1.5} \right] \sqrt{\frac{E F_{vw} t_f}{t_w}} \quad \text{J10-4}$$

$$\phi R_n = .75 * .8 (1.79)^2 \left[1 + 3 \left(\frac{12}{43.0} \right) \left(\frac{1.79}{3.23} \right)^{1.5} \right] \sqrt{\frac{29000(50)(3.23)}{1.79}}$$

$\phi R_n = 4184 \geq 156$ k. OK

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Check Sidesway Web Buckling AISC J10.4(b) compression flange not restrained against rotation

$$W40x593: h/t_w = 19.1, \quad b_f = 16.7 \text{ in.}, \quad L_b = 180 \text{ in.}$$

$$(h/t_w)/(L_b/b_f) = 19.1/(180/16.7) = 1.77 > 1.7$$

Sidesway web buckling limit state OK

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Laced Crane Girders

- Horizontal truss attached to the top flange of the girder and a back up girder to form a truss to stabilize the top flange of the girder
 - usually economical for spans over 40 feet

Horizontal loads for the 60' Girder Lacing

- Seismic Loads
- Crane Lateral Loads
- AIST Bottom flange bracing criteria

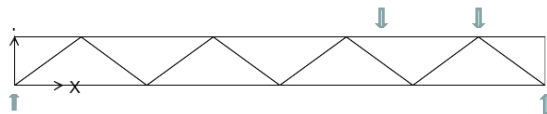
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Crane Girder Lacing

Determine brace force:

Seismic: $F_p = 17.1$ kips/wheel

lateral crane load: $F_u = 1.6 * 6.6 = 10.6$ kips/wheel):



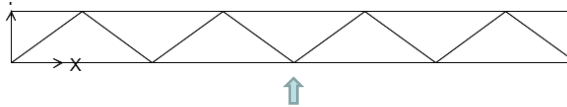
$$R_{end} = 17.1(2)(52.5 + 41.5) / 60 = 53.6 \text{ kips}$$

$$\text{Max. Angle Force } P_u = 53.6(112/66) = 90.9 \text{ kips}$$

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Determine brace force: 2.5% of W40 flange force



Average f_b in bottom flange = 19.98 ksi (Ult. load level)
 Brace force = $.025f_b A = .025(19.98)(3.23 \text{ in.})(16.7) = 26.9 \text{ kips}$
 Applied at mid span
 Max Angle Force = $(26.9/2)(112/66) = 22.8 \text{ kips} < 90.9 \text{ kips}$
 Seismic Load Controls

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Design of 60 ft Runway Girder

Angle Strength: $L=9.33 \text{ ft}$.

Try 2L4x4x5/16 AISC Manual Table 4-8:

$\phi P_n = 100.9 \text{ kips} > 90.9 \text{ kips OK}$

Table 4-8 (continued)
Available Strength in Axial Compression, kips
 Double Angles—Equal Legs $F_y = 36 \text{ ksi}$

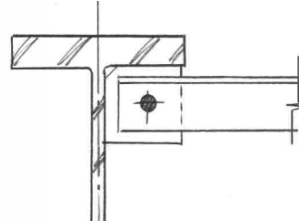
Shape	2L4x4x														No. of connectors	
	3/4		5/8		1/2		7/16		5/8		5/16		13/16			
	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD	ASD	LRFD		
lb/ft	37.0	31.4	25.6	22.6	19.6	16.4	13.2									
Design	P_n/Ω_c	ϕP_n	P_n/Ω_c	ϕP_n	P_n/Ω_c	ϕP_n	P_n/Ω_c	ϕP_n	P_n/Ω_c	ϕP_n	P_n/Ω_c	ϕP_n	P_n/Ω_c	ϕP_n	P_n/Ω_c	ϕP_n
0	236	353	199	299	162	243	142	214	123	185	103	155	75.9	114		
2	230	346	195	293	158	238	139	210	121	182	101	152	74.6	112		
4	215	324	183	275	149	224	131	197	114	171	95.4	143	70.7	106		
6	193	290	164	247	134	202	118	178	103	155	86.4	130	64.7	97.3		
8	166	249	142	215	116	174	108	154	89.5	134	75.3	113	57.9	85.9		
10	136	205	117	176	96.3	145	85.5	128	74.7	112	63.1	94.8	46.3	68.3		
12	107	161	93.1	140	76.7	115	66.3	103	59.9	90.1	50.8	76.4	40.1	60.3		
14	80.8	121	70.7	106	58.8	87.9	52.3	78.6	46.1	69.3	39.3	59.1	31.8	47.9		
16	61.9	93.0	54.1	81.4	44.8	67.3	40.1	60.2	36.3	53.0	30.1	45.2	24.6	37.0		
18	48.9	73.5	42.8	64.3	35.4	53.2	31.6	47.6	27.9	41.9	23.8	35.7	19.4	29.2		
20			34.6	52.1	28.7	43.1	25.6	38.5	22.6	33.9	19.3	28.9	15.7	23.7		

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Check Connection for applicable limit states:

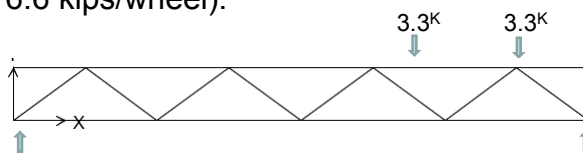
- Bolt shear (J3.1)
- Bolt bearing (J3.10)
- Weld and base metal shear rupture (J2.4, J4.2)
- Block shear on angle and gusset (J4.3)
- Tensile rupture on net angle section (D2)
- Fatigue per Appendix 3. *



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Design of 60 ft Runway Girder

Fatigue Condition: Service Load 50% of max lateral loads (.5*6.6 kips/wheel):



$$R_{\text{end}} = 3.3(52.5 + 41.5) / 60 = 5.2 \text{ kips}$$

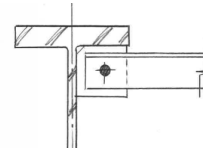
$$\text{Angle Force } P_s = 5.2(112/66) = \pm 8.8 \text{ kips}$$

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Fatigue Evaluation

Check Connection at the bolt:

- Base Metal at net section of high strength bolted joints designed ...bearing resistance, but fabricated and installed to all requirements for slip critical connections.



Section 2: Stress Category B $C_f=12$ $F_{th}=16 \text{ Ksi}$

$$F_{SR} = 1000 \left(\frac{C_f}{n_{sr}} \right)^{.333} \geq F_{TH} \quad n_{sr}=500,000 \text{ cycles}$$

$$F_{SR} = 1000 \left(\frac{12}{500,000} \right)^{.333} = 28.9 \text{ ksi}$$

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Fatigue Evaluation

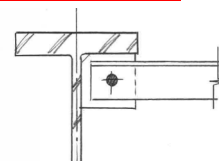
Check Connection PL. at the bolt:

5/8" x 6" plate (1) 1 1/4" dia. A325 Bolt

$$A_{net} = .625(6 - 1.375) = 2.89$$

$$f = (2)(8.8) / 2.89 = 6.1 \text{ ksi} < 28.9 \text{ ksi OK } (< 16 \text{ ksi})$$

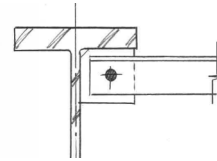
Also check net section on the angles



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Fatigue Evaluation

Check connection at the gusset weld:
 Section 5.7 Base Metal and weld metal at
 transverse end connections of tension-
 loaded plate elements....



(2) Cases require evaluation

- Crack initiating from the weld toe
- Crack initiating from the weld root

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Fatigue Evaluation

Check connection at the gusset weld (continued):

Crack initiating from weld toe Stress Category C

$$C_f = 4.4 \quad F_{th} = 10 \text{ Ksi}$$

$$F_{SR} = 1000 \left(\frac{4.4}{n_{SR}} \right)^{.333} \geq F_{TH} \quad F_{SR} = 1000 \left(\frac{4.4}{500,000} \right)^{.333} = 20.7 \text{ ksi}$$

Crack initiating from weld root Stress Category C "

$$F_{SR} = 1000 R_{fil} \left(\frac{4.4}{n_{SR}} \right)^{.333} \quad R_{fil} = \frac{06 + .72(w/tp)}{t_p^{.167}} \quad F_{th} = N/A$$

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Fatigue Evaluation

Check connection at the web weld (continued):

Section 5 Crack initiating from weld root Stress Category C

$$R_{fil} = \frac{06 + .72(.3125/.625)}{.625^{1.67}} = .454$$

$$F_{SR} = 1000(.454) \left(\frac{4.4}{500,000} \right)^{.333} = 9.4 \text{ ksi} \quad (\text{CONTROLS})$$

$$5/16 \text{ fillet weld capacity} = 9.4 \text{ ksi} (.3125 * .7071) = 2.08 \text{ k/in.}$$

Elastic analysis of the L shaped weld group $f = .7 \text{ k/in.}$

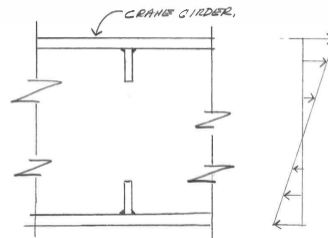
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Fatigue Evaluation

Check fatigue at the welded plate to the girder web and tension flange.

- Impact of the stress riser on the strong axis bending strength.

Table A-3.1, Section 5.7, "Base metal of tension loaded plate elements and on girders and rolled beam webs or flanges at toe of transverse fillet welds adjacent to welded transverse stiffeners."



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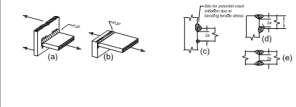
Fatigue Evaluation

**TABLE A-3.1 (continued)
Fatigue Design Parameters**

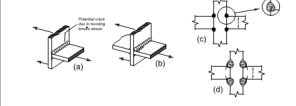
Illustrative Typical Examples

SECTION 5 – WELDED JOINTS TRANSVERSE TO DIRECTION OF STRESS


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**TABLE A-3.1 (cont.)
Fatigue Design Parameters**

Description	Stress Category	Constant C_f	Threshold F_{TH} ksi (MPa)	Potential Crack Initiation Point
SECTION 5 – WELDED JOINTS TRANSVERSE TO DIRECTION OF STRESS (cont'd)				
5.6 Base metal and filler metal at transverse end connections of tension-loaded plate elements using a pair of fillet welds on opposite sides of the plate. F_{SR} shall be the smaller of the toe crack or root crack stress range. Crack initiating from weld toe:	C	44×10^8	10 (69)	Initiating from geometrical discontinuity at toe of weld extending into base metal or, initiating at weld root subject to tension extending up and then out through weld
Crack initiating from weld root:	C''	Eqn. A-3-5 or A-3-5M	None provided	
5.7 Base metal of tension loaded plate elements and on girders and rolled beam webs or flanges at toe of transverse fillet welds adjacent to welded transverse stiffeners.	C	44×10^8	10 (69)	From geometrical discontinuity at toe of fillet extending into base metal

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Section 5.7 (stress cat. C) $C_f = 44 \times 10^8, F_{TH} = 10 \text{ ksi}$

$$F_{SR} = \left(\frac{C_f}{n_{SR}}\right)^{0.333} \geq F_{TH} \quad F_{SR} = (44 \times 10^8 / 500,000)^{0.333} = 20.6 \text{ ksi}$$

$$f_b = M_W / S_x = (1931 \text{ kip-ft.})(12) / 2340 \text{ in.}^3 = 9.9 \text{ ksi} \leq 20.6 \text{ ksi ok}$$

For Comparison without the welded attachment

Section 1.1 (stress cat. A) $C_f = 250 \times 10^8, F_{TH} = 24 \text{ ksi}$

$$F_{SR} = (250 \times 10^8 / 500,000)^{0.333} = 36.7 \text{ ksi}$$

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CONCLUSION

1. Follow Good Detailing Practices
2. Design for serviceability then strength
3. Evaluate fatigue life per AISC Appendix 3

