# **Elastic Analysis of Eccentric Welded Connections**

It is assumed here that the rotation of the weld at failure occur around the elastic centre (EC) of the weld. The only difference from bolts is we are dealing with unit length of weld instead of a bolt



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□ stresses due to torsional moment "M" is

$$M = F e$$

$$J = I_x + I_y$$

$$f_2 = \frac{M d}{J}$$
- Calculation shall be done for  $\mathbf{t}_{eff}$ 

$$t_{eff} = 0.707 w$$

$$\mathbf{w}$$

$$\underline{f_{2x}} = \frac{M y}{J}$$

$$f_{2y} = \frac{M x}{J}$$

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**Goldstate** Forces due to direct applied force is

$$f_{1x} = \frac{F_x}{A_{weld}} \qquad \qquad f_{1y} = \frac{F_y}{A_{weld}}$$

**Total stress in the weld is** 

$$f_x = f_{1x} + f_{2x}$$
 &  $f_y = f_{1y} + f_{2y}$ 

$$f_v = \sqrt{f_x^2 + f_y^2} \le \phi R_{n_weld}$$

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#### Ex. 7.7 – Design Strength of Welded Connection – Shear and Torsion

• Determine the size of weld required for the bracket connection in the figure. The service dead load is 50 kN, and the service live load is 120 kN. A36 steel is used for the bracket, and A992 steel is used for the column.



Calculations are done for  $t_{eff}$  = 25 mm

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• Step I: Calculate the ultimate load:

 $P_u = 1.2D + 1.6L = 1.2(50) + 1.6(120) = 252 \text{ kN}$ 

• Step II: Calculate the direct shear stress:

$$f_{1y} = \frac{252 \times 1000}{200 + 300 + 200} = 360 \text{ N/mm}$$

• Step III: Compute the location of the centroid:  $\overline{x}(700) = 200(100)(2)$  or  $\overline{x} = 57.1 \text{ mm}$ 

Step IV: Compute the torsional moment:
 *e* = 250+ 200 - 57.1 = 392.9 → M = Pe = 252(392.9)=99011 kN-mm.

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 Step V: Compute the moments of inertia of the total weld area:

$$\begin{split} I_x &= 1(300)^3 \ (1/12) + 2(200)(150)^2 = 11.25 \times 10^6 \ mm^4 \\ I_y &= 2 \ \{(200)^3 \ (1/12) + (200)(100 - 57.1)^2 \ \} + \ 300(57.1)^2 = 3.05 \times 10^6 \ mm^4 \\ J &= I_x + I_y = (11.25 + 3.05) \times 10^6 = 14.3 \times 10^6 \ mm^4 \end{split}$$

Step VI: Compute stresses at critical location:

$$f_{2x} = \frac{M}{J} = \frac{99011(150) \times 1000}{14.3 \times 10^{6}} = 1039 \text{ N/mm}$$

$$f_{2y} = \frac{M}{J} = \frac{99011(200 - 57.1) \times 1000}{14.3 \times 10^{6}} = 989 \text{ N/mm}$$

$$f_{y} = \sqrt{f_{2x}^{2} + (f_{1y} + f_{2y})^{2}} = \sqrt{(1039)^{2} + (989 + 360)^{2}} = 1703 \text{ N/mm}$$