

DESIGN OF PLATE AND ANGLE TENSION MEMBERS-DESIGN OF BUILT UP
TENSION MEMBERS-CONNECTIONS IN TENSION MEMBERS

1. The tension member of a roof truss consist of a single ISA 100 x 75 x 10 mm thick, connected at the end to a gusset plate with the longer leg vertical with 20 mm diameter rivet. Find the safe tension the member can withstand. Permissible tensile stress may be taken as 150 N/mm².

Solution

Diameter of rivet hole = 20 + 1.5 = 21.5 mm

Net effective area provided

Where, A_1 = Net sectional area of the connected leg,

A_2 = Area of the unconnected leg, and

$$K = \frac{3A_1}{3A_1 + A_2}$$

In our case,

$$A_1 = \left(100 - \frac{10}{2}\right) 10 - 21.5 \times 10 = 735 \text{ mm}^2$$

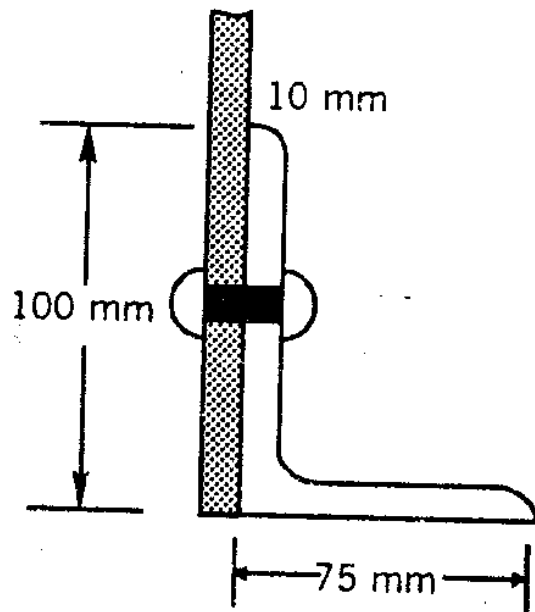
$$A_2 = \left(75 - \frac{10}{2}\right) 10 = 700 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$K = \frac{3 \times 735}{3 \times 735 + 700} = 0.759$$

$$A_{eff} = 735 + 700 \times 0.759 = 1,266 \text{ mm}^2$$

Safe axial tension = $A_{eff} \times \text{Safe stress}$

$$= 1,266 \times 150 = 1,89,900 \text{ N} = 189.9 \text{ kN.}$$



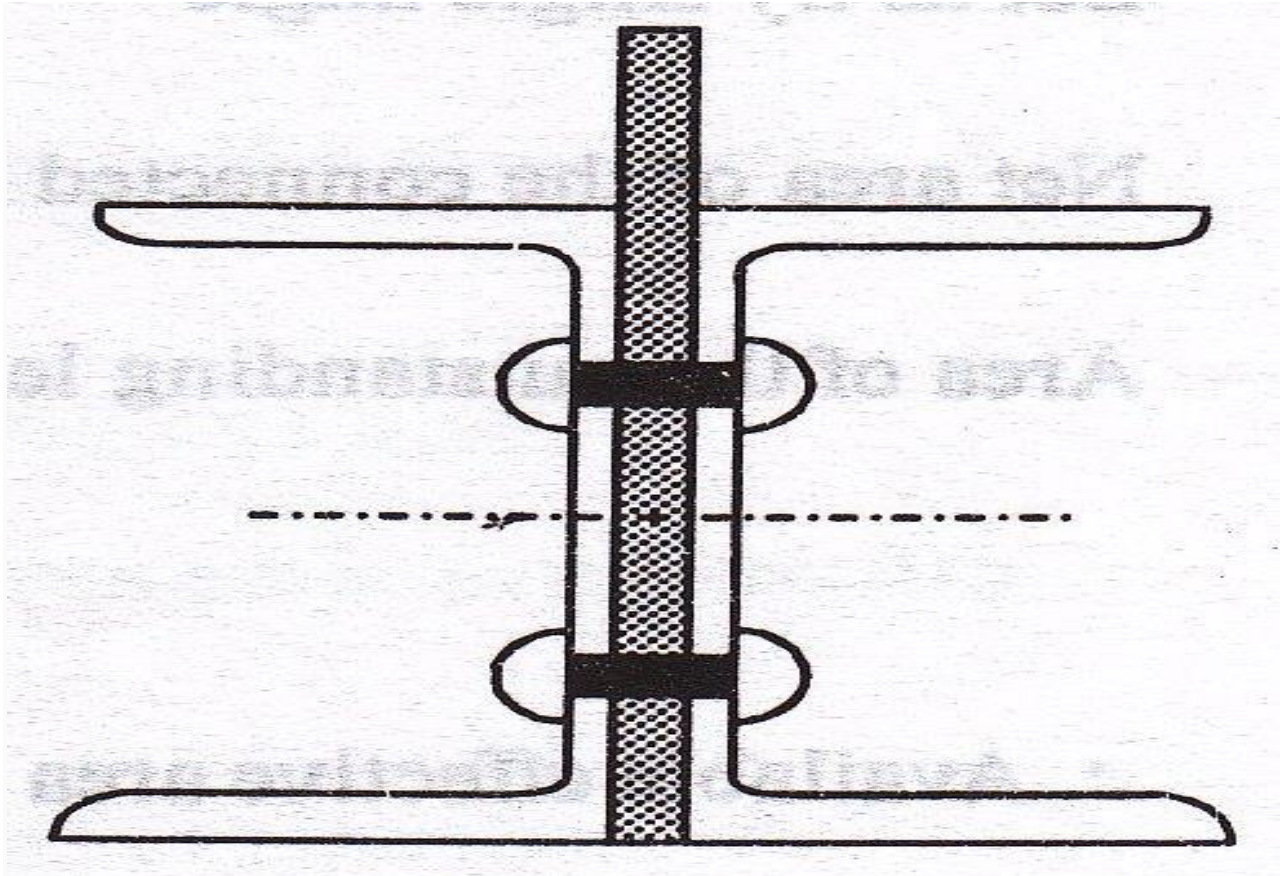
2. The tie in a bridge truss carries an axial tension of 350 kN. The member is to consist of two channels connected back to back on either side of a gusset plate. The diameter of rivets used for the connection is 16 mm. Two rivets are likely to appear in section. Design the member. Safe stress in tension is 150 N/mm^2 .

Solution

Net area required

Referring to steel tables, let us select two channels ISLC, 125





Dimensions of section $= 125 \text{ mm} \times 65 \text{ mm}$

$t_f = 6.6 \text{ mm}$

$t_w = 4.4 \text{ mm}$

Gross area $A_g = 1,367 \text{ mm}^2$ per channel

Diameter of rivet hole $= 16 + 1.5 = 17.5 \text{ mm}$

Making allowance for four rive holes,

Net area provided $= 2 \times 1367 - (4 \times 17.5 \times 4.4) = 2,426 \text{ mm}^2$.

But the required area is only $2,333 \text{ mm}^2$. Therefore, the section selected is safe.