DESIGN STRENGTH OF BEARING BOLTS

- (a) In Shear: It is least of the following:
 - (i) Shear capacity (strength)
 - (ii) Bearing capacity (strength)
- (i) Shear capacity of bearing bolts (V_{dsb})

$$V_{dsb} = \frac{V_{nsb}}{\gamma_{mb}}$$

where γ_{mb} = partial safety factor of bolt

and V_{nsb} = nominal shear capacity of bolt

$$=\frac{f_{ub}}{\sqrt{3}}\left(n_n\,A_{nb}+n_s\,A_{sb}\right)$$

where f_{ub} = ultimate tensile strength of bolt

 n_n = number of shear planes through threads

= 1 for each bolt.

 n_s = number of shear planes intercepting non-threaded portion of shank

= 1, for a bolt in double shear

= 0, for a bolt in single shear.

 A_{sh} = nominal shank area of the bolt

 A_{nb} = net shear area in threaded portion

i.e.,
$$T_{dh} = \frac{0.9 f_{ub} A_n}{\gamma_{mb}} \le \frac{f_{yb} A_{sh}}{\gamma_{mo}}$$

where f_{yb} = yield stress of the bolt

 A_n = net area of the bolt at thread = 0.78 $\frac{\pi}{4} d^2$ for ISO bolts.

 A_{sh} = shank area of the bolt = $\frac{\pi}{4} d^2$.

DESIGN STRENGTH OF BOLTS IN SHEAR (V_{dsf})

$$V_{dsf} = \frac{V_{nsf}}{\gamma_{mf}}$$

where

 γ_{mf} = 1.10, if slip resistance is designed at service load

= 1.25, if the slip resistance is designed at ultimate load.

and

 $V_{nsf} = \mu_f n_e K_h F_o$

where

 μ_f = coefficient of friction as specified in Table 20 (Clause 10.4.3) in IS 800-2007.

 n_e = number of effective interfaces offering frictional resistance to the slip.

[Note: $n_e = 1$ for each bolt in lap joint and 2 for each bolt in double cover bolt joint]

 $K_h = 1.0$ for fasteners in clearance hole

= 0.85 for fasteners in oversized and short slotted holes and for long slotted holes loaded perpendicular to the slot.

 $F_o = \text{minimum bolt tension at installation and may be taken as } A_{nb} f_o$

 A_{nb} = net area of the bolt at threads

$$\left(0.78 \frac{\pi}{4} d^2\right)$$

$$f_o = \text{proof stress} = 0.7 f_{ub}$$
.

Note:

- All the reduction factors specified for bearing bolted connection hold good for HSFG bolted connection also.
- Since the bearing strength of HSFG bolts is greater than the plates, no check on bearing strength of the bolt is necessary.



Bolt Strength in Tension (Tot)

$$T_{df} = \frac{0.9 f_{ub} A_n}{\gamma_{mb}} \le \frac{f_{yb} A_{sh}}{\gamma_m}$$
$$\gamma_{mb} = 1.25, \gamma_m = 1.1$$

Note: In the design of HSFG bolts subjected to tensile forces additional force Q called prying forces is to be considered.

$$Q = \frac{l_v}{2l_c} \left(T_e - \frac{\beta \eta f_0 b_e t^4}{27l_c l_v^2} \right)$$

where

Q = prying force

 $2T_e$ = total applied tensile force

 l_v = distance from the bolt centre line to the toe of the fillet weld or to half the root radius for a rolled section

l_c = distance between prying forces and bolt centre line and is the minimum of either the end distance or the value given by:

$$l_c = 1.1t \sqrt{\frac{\beta f_0}{f_y}}$$

 $\beta = 2$ for non-pretensioned bolts and 1 for pretensioned bolts

 $\eta = 1.5$

 b_e = effective width of flange per pair of bolts

 f_0 = proof stress in consistent units

t = thickness of end plate.



PRINCIPLES TO BE OBSERVED IN THE DESIGN

- Design strength should be more than design load.
- The centre of gravity of bolts should coincide with the centre of gravity of the connected members.
- 3. The length of connection should be kept as small as possible.
- 4. It should satisfy requirements specified in clause 10.2, regarding spacing, such as
 - a. Pitch shall not be less than 2.5 d.
 - b. Minimum edge distance = $1.7 d_o$, in case of hand cut edges and $1.5 d_o$ in case of rolled or machine cut edges.
- 5. Diameter of bolt hole for various bolts shall be taken as shown below:

diameter of bolt (d): 12 14 16 20 22 24 30 36 diameter of bolt hole (d_0) : 13 15 18 22 24 26 33 39

6. Area of bolt at shank = $\frac{\pi}{4} d^2$

Area of bolt at threads = $0.78 \frac{\pi}{4} d^2$

7. Material properties of bolts.

Grade 4.6 Grade 4.8	$f_{vb} = 240 \text{ MPa}$	$f_{ub} = 400 \text{ MPa}$		
Grade 4.8	$f_{yb} = 320 \text{ MPa}$	$f_{ub} = 420 \text{ MPa}$		
Grade 5.6	$f_{yb} = 300 \text{ MPa}$	$f_{ub} = 500 \text{ MPa}$		
Grade 5.8	$f_{yb} = 400 \text{ MPa}$	$f_{ub} = 520 \text{ MPa}.$		

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Design a lap joint to connect two plates each of width 100 mm, if the thickness of one plate is 12 mm and the other is 10 mm. The joint has to transfer a working load of 100 kN. The plates are of f_e 410 grade. Use bearing type of bolts and draw connection details.

Solution: Using M16 bolts of grade 4.6,

d = 16 mm $d_o = 18 \text{ mm}$ $f_{ub} = 400 \text{ N/mm}^2$

Since it is a lap joint, the bolt is in single shear, the critical section being at the roots of the thread of the bolts.

.. Nominal strength of a bolt in shear

$$V_{nsb} = \frac{f_{ub}}{\sqrt{3}} \left(1 \times 0 + 0.78 \frac{\pi}{4} d^2 \right)$$
$$= \frac{400}{\sqrt{3}} \times 0.78 \times \frac{\pi}{4} \times 16^2$$
$$= 36218 \text{ N}$$

.. Design strength of a bolt in shear

$$V_{dsb} = \frac{V_{nsb}}{\gamma_{mb}} = \frac{36218}{1.25} = 28974 \text{ N}$$

Minimum pitch to be provided = $2.5 d = 2.5 \times 16 = 40 \text{ mm}$

Minimum edge distance = $1.5 d_o = 1.5 \times 18 = 27 \text{ mm}$

Provide p = 40 mm and e = 30 mm.

Strength in bearing:

$$k_b$$
 is least of $\frac{30}{3 \times 18}$, $\frac{40}{3 \times 18} - 0.25$, $\frac{400}{410}$ and 1.0

i.e.,
$$k_b = 0.4907$$

Now, thickness of thinner plate = 10 mm, $f_u = 400 \text{ N/mm}^2$

.. Normal bearing strength of a bolt

$$V_{npb} = 2.5 k_b dt f_u$$

= 2.5 × 0.4907 × 16 × 10 × 400
= 78512 N

∴ Design strength of M16 bolts

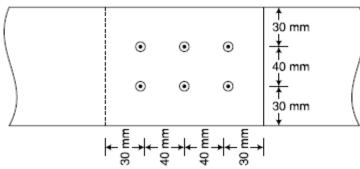
$$= 28974 \text{ N}$$

Working (nominal load) = 100 kN.

∴ Design load = 100 × 1.5 = 150 kN.

Hence, no. of bolts required $= \frac{150 \times 1000}{28974} = 5.18$

Provide 6 bolts. They may be provided as shown in Fig.





Check for the Strength of Plate

$$T_{dn} = \frac{0.9 \, A_n f_u}{\gamma_{ml}}$$

There are two holes along the critical section,

$$T_{dn} = \frac{0.9 \times (100 - 2 \times 18) \times 10 \times 410}{1.25}$$

$$= 188928 \text{ N} = 188.928 \text{ kN} > 150 \text{ kN}.$$

Hence safe.

Design a single bolted double cover butt joint to connect boiler plates of thickness 16 mm for maximum efficiency. Use M 20 bolts of grade 4.6. Boiler plates are of Fe 410 grade. Draw the connection details.

Solution: d = 20 mm : $d_o = 22 \text{ mm}$. $f_{ub} = 400 \text{ N/mm}^2$, $f_u = 410 \text{ N/mm}^2$, t = 16 mm. Since it is double cover but joint, the bolts are in double shear, one section at shank and another at root of thread are resisting shear.

.. Nominal strength of bolt in shear,

$$V_{nsb} = \frac{400}{\sqrt{3}} \left(1 \times \frac{\pi}{4} \times 20^2 + 1 \times 0.78 \times \frac{\pi}{4} \times 20^2 \right) = 129143 \text{ N}$$

.. Design strength

$$V_{dsb} = \frac{V_{nsb}}{1.25} = \frac{129143}{1.25} = 103314 \text{ N}$$

Assuming bearing strength is more than this, to get maximum efficiency, strength of plate per pitch width is equated to V_{dsb} .

To avoid failure of the cover plates, the total thickness of the cover plates should be more than the thickness of the main plate. Provide cover plates of 12 mm thickness.

:. Design strength of plate per pitch width

$$= \frac{0.9 \times 410 (p - 22)}{1.25} \times 16$$
$$= 4723.2 (p - 22)$$

Equating it to strength of bolt, we get

$$4723.2 (p - 22) = 103314$$

$$p = 43.87 \text{ mm}.$$

Minimum pitch to be provided = 2.5 d

$$= 2.5 \times 20 = 50 \text{ mm}$$

Provide p = 50 mm.

Check for Bearing Strength of Bolt

Minimum edge distance $e = 1.7 d_0 = 1.7 \times 22 = 37.4 \text{ mm}$

Provide e = 40 mm.

Then, k_b is minimum of $\frac{e}{3d_o}$, $\frac{p}{3d_o} - 0.25$, $\frac{f_{ub}}{f_u}$, 1.0

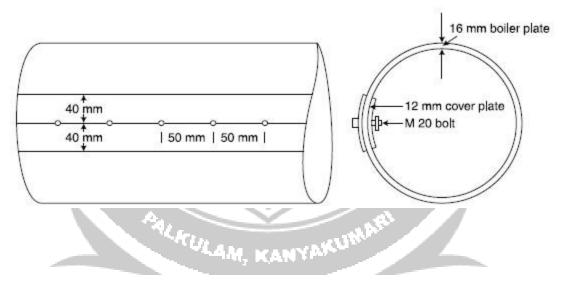
$$k_b = 0.5076$$

.. Design strength of bolt in bearing

$$= \frac{2.5 \times 0.5076 \times 20 \times 16 \times 400}{1.25}$$
$$= 129939 \text{ N} > 103314 \text{ N}$$

Hence, the assumption that design strength of bolt = 103314 N is correct.

Figure 2.4 shows the connection details.



ECCENTRIC CONNECTION WITH BEARING BOLTS

There are two cases of eccentric connections:

- Moment in the plane of bolts
- Moment at right angles to the plane of bolt.

When Moment is in the Plane of Bolts

If P is the eccentric load and 'e' is the eccentricity, moment to be resisted by bolts

$$M = Pe$$

The number of bolts per row required is given by $n = \sqrt{\frac{2Vp}{2Vp}}$ where p is the pitch.

If r_i is the radial distance of the bolts, and r the radial distance of extreme bolt, then force in the extreme bolt in radial direction is

$$F_2 = \frac{Per}{\sum r_i^2}$$

Direct shear in vertical direction

$$F_1 = \frac{P}{n}$$
, where *n* is the total number of bolts.

:. Resultant force on extreme bolt

$$F = \sqrt{F_1^2 + F_2^2 + 2F_1F_2\cos\theta}$$

where θ is the angle between F_1 and F_2 .

For safe design $F \le V$

Example A bracket is to be bolted to the flange of the column, which is of ISHB 300 @ 577 N/m. If the bracket has to carry a design load of 800 kN at an eccentricity of 250 mm, design the connection using 8 mm cover plates and M 20 bolts of grade 4.6.

Solution: Factored load on each plate of bracket $\frac{800}{2} = 400 \text{ kN}$

Eccentricity = 250 mm.

:. On each plate
$$M = 400 \times 250 = 100000 \text{ kN-mm}$$

= $100,000 \times 1000 \text{ N-mm}$

Flange thickness of ISHB 300 @ 577 N/m is 10.6 mm and thickness of cover plate is 12 mm. Hence, the thickness of thinner member is 10.6 mm.

$$d = 20 \text{ mm}$$
 $d_o = 22 \text{ mm}$ $f_{ub} = 400 \text{ N/mm}^2$
For rolled section $f_u = 410 \text{ N/mm}^2$.

Bolts are in single shear.

:. Design strength of bolt in single shear,

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$$V_{db} = \frac{1}{1.25} \frac{400}{\sqrt{3}} \left(0 + 0.78 \times \frac{\pi}{4} \times 20^2 \right)$$

= 45272 N

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Strength of the bolt in bearing:

$$k_b$$
 is the least of $\frac{e}{3d_o}$, $\frac{p}{3d_o}$ = 0.25, $\frac{f_{ub}}{f_u}$, 1.0

Adopting two rows of bolts each at 70 mm from the centre line of the column and pitch 50 mm $(\geq 2.5d)$,

$$k_b = 0.5076$$

$$V_{dpb} = \frac{1}{1.25} \times 2.5 \times 0.5076 \times 20 \times 8 \times 400$$

$$= 64973 \text{ N} > V_{db}$$

$$V = V_{db} = 45272 \text{ N}$$

$$\therefore \text{ Number of bolts required per row}$$

.. Number of bolts required per row

$$n = \sqrt{\frac{6M}{2Vp}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{6 \times 100,000 \times 1000}{2 \times 45272 \times 50}} = 11.51$$

Provide 12 bolts in each row as shown in Fig. 2.5.

Distance of extreme bolt from the centre of gravity of bolt,

$$r = \sqrt{70^2 + 275^2} = 283.77$$
 mm.

$$\sum r_i^2 = 4 \left[\sum_{i=1}^6 (x_i^2 + y_i^2) \right]$$
 Fig. 2.5
= 4 [6 × 70² + 25² + 75² + 125² + 175² + 225² + 275²]
= 832600 mm²

$$F_2 = \frac{Per}{\sum r_i^2} = \frac{400 \times 10^3 \times 250 \times 283.77}{832600} = 34082 \text{ N}$$

 $F_1 = \frac{P}{2n} = \frac{400 \times 1000}{2 \times 12} = 16667 \text{ N}$ Direct shear

$$\tan \theta = \frac{275}{70} : \theta = 75.719^{\circ}$$
 Hence, $\cos \theta = 0.24668$

∴ Resultant force on extreme bolt

$$= \sqrt{F_1^2 + F_2^2 + 2F_1F_2\cos\theta}$$

$$= \sqrt{16667^2 + 34082^2 + 2 \times 16667 \times 34082 \times 0.24668}$$

$$= 41467 \text{ N} < V$$

.. Design is safe.

Hence, provide 24 M 20 bolts as shown in Fig.

When the Moment is at Right Angles to the Plane of Bolts

In this case bolts are subjected to shear and tension. If P is the eccentric load, n number of bolts in the connection, direct shear

$$V_{sb} = \frac{P}{n}$$

If e is the eccentricity of load, moment is

$$M = P \times e$$

Since on tension side only bolts resist the force while on compression side entire connecting angle in contact with column resists the force, the centre of gravity is assumed at $\frac{1}{7}$ th the depth of the connection. Hence, moment resisted by bolts in tension,

$$M' = \frac{1}{\left[1 + \frac{2h}{21} \frac{\sum y_i}{\sum y_i^2}\right]}$$

where y_i is distance of *i*th bolt from CG and *h* is depth of connecting angle from topmost bolt. Then tensile force in the extreme bolt due to bending moment

$$T_b = \frac{M'y}{\sum y_i^2}$$

Design criteria to be satisfied is

$$\left(\frac{V_{sb}}{V_{db}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{T_b}{T_{db}}\right)^2 \le 1.0$$

where

 V_{db} = shear strength of bolt

 T_{db} = tensile strength of bolt.

Steps to be Followed in the Design

- 1. Select nominal diameter d of the bolt.
- 2. Adopt pitch = 2.5 d to 3.0 d.

3. Number of bolts in each row

$$=\sqrt{\frac{6M}{(2V)p}}$$

4. Find V_{sh} , T_h , T_{dh} and check for satisfying interaction formula.

Design a suitable bolted bracket connection for connecting a ISST-200 section to the flange of a ISHB 300 @ 577 N/m to carry a vertical factored load of 400 kN at an eccentricity of 150 mm. Use M20 bolts of grade 4.6 [Ref. Fig. 2.6]

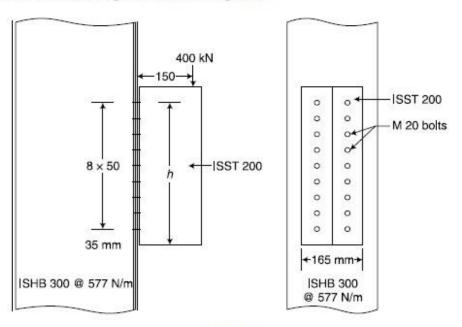


Fig. 2.6

Solution: For M 20 bolts of grade 4.6, d = 20 mm, $d_o = 22$ mm, $f_{ub} = 400$ N/mm², $f_{yb} = 240$ N/m For rolled steel section, $f_u = 410$ N/mm².

Thickness of flange of ISST 200 is 12.5 mm

Thickness of flange of ISHB 300 @ 577 N/m = 10.6 mm.

:. Thickness of thinner member = 10.6 mm.

Design strength of M20 bolts in single shear

$$= \frac{1}{1.25} \frac{400}{\sqrt{3}} \left[0 + 0.78 \times \frac{\pi}{4} \times 20^2 \right]$$

$$= 45272 \text{ N}$$
Minimum edge distance
$$= 1.5 d_o = 1.5 \times 22 = 33 \text{ mm}$$
Minimum pitch
$$= 2.5 d = 2.5 \times 20 = 50 \text{ mm}.$$

Let e = 35 mm and p = 50 mm.

$$k_b$$
 is the smaller of $\frac{35}{3 \times 22}$, $\frac{50}{3 \times 22} - 0.5$, $\frac{400}{410}$, 1.0

i.e.,

$$k_b = 0.5076$$

Design strength of bolts in bearing against 10.6 mm thick flange of I-section

$$= \frac{1}{1.25} \times 2.5 \times 0.5076 \times 20 \times 10.6 \times 400$$
$$= 86088 \text{ N} > V_{db}.$$

:. Design strength of bolt in shear $V = V_{db} = 45272 \text{ N}$

Design tension capacity of bolt

$$T_{db} = \frac{0.90 f_{ub} A_n}{\gamma_m} < \frac{f_{yb} A_{sb}}{\gamma_{mo}}$$

$$= 0.90 \times 400 \times 0.78 \times \frac{\pi}{4} \times 20^2 < \frac{240 \times \frac{\pi}{4} \times 20^2}{1.1}$$

$$= 88216 < 68544.$$

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$$T_{db} = 68544 \text{ N}$$

Using two rows of bolts, number of bolts required in each row,

$$n = \sqrt{\frac{6M}{(2V)p}}$$

Now,

$$M = 400 \times 150 \text{ kN-mm}$$

= $400 \times 150 \times 10^3 \text{ N-mm}$.

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$$n = \sqrt{\frac{6 \times 400 \times 150 \times 10^3}{2 \times 45272 \times 50}} = 8.91$$

Provide 9 bolts in each row as shown in Fig. 2.6.

$$h = 35 + 50 \times (9 - 1) = 435$$
 mm.

$$\frac{h}{7} = \frac{435}{7} = 62.14 \text{ mm}$$

i.e., neutral axis lies between bolt nos. 1 and 2 counted from bottom.

$$\therefore$$
 $y_2 = 35 + 50 - 62.14 = 22.86 \text{ mm}$

Bolt No.	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
y	22.86	72.86	122.86	172.86	222.86	272.86	322.86	372.86

$$\sum y_i = 1582.86 \times 2 \text{ mm}$$

$$\sum y_i^2 = 418188 \times 2 \text{ mm}^2$$

Design Shear Strength of Bolts

$$V_{dsf} = \frac{1}{1.25}$$
, $\mu_f n_e k_n F_o$
 $\mu_f = 0.48$, $n_e = 1$, $k_n = 1$ for fasteners in clearance
 $F_o = A_{ub} f_o = 0.78 \times \frac{\pi}{4} \times 24^2 \times 0.7 \times 800$
 $= 197604 \text{ N}$
 $\therefore V_{dsF} = 1/1.25 \times 0.48 \times 1 \times 1 \times 197604$
 $= 75880 \text{ N}$

Since there are two rows of bolts in the connection, number of bolts required per row when p = 70 mm and taking $V = V_{dsf}$, we get

$$n = \sqrt{\frac{6M}{(2V)p}} = \sqrt{\frac{6 \times 600 \times 1000 \times 250}{2 \times 75880 \times 70}} = 9.2$$

Provide 10 bolts in each row with edge distance 40 mm as shown in Fig. 2.7.

Tensile capacity of bolts

$$= \frac{1}{1.25} \times 0.9 f_{ub} A_{ub}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1.25} \times 0.9 \times 800 \times 0.78 \times \frac{\pi}{4} \times 24^{2}$$

$$= 203250 \text{ N}$$

When there is no load, the bracket is held on to the column by compression developed due to the bolt tension. This phenomenon continues even after the load is applied. Hence, the interface of the area 150×710 mm may be considered a plane in a monolithic beam. The stress diagram is shown in Fig. 2.7.

Max. bending stress =
$$\frac{6M}{bd^2} = \frac{6 \times 600 \times 10^3 \times 250}{150 \times 710^2}$$

= 11.9 N/mm²

Bending stress at $40 + \frac{70}{2} = 75$ mm from top flange

$$= 11.9 \times \frac{355 - 75}{355} = 9.39 \text{ N/mm}^2.$$

:. Average stress
$$=\frac{11.9 + 9.39}{2} = 10.64 \text{ N/mm}^2$$

This average bending stress could be considered tension in the bolt.

 \therefore Tension in extreme two bolts, $2T_e = 10.64 \times 150 \times 75$

$$2T_e = 119744 \text{ N}.$$

 $T_e = 59872 \text{ N}$

Prying Forces

Plate width = 150 mm. Plate thickness = 12 mm

$$l_v = \frac{150}{2} - 6 - 8 - 40 = 21$$
 mm.

where 8 mm is assumed thickness of weld

For the connecting plate, $f_u = 410 \text{ N/mm}^2$, $f_y = 250 \text{ N/mm}^2$

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$$l_c = 1.1 \times 12 \times \frac{\sqrt{1 \times 0.7 \times 410}}{250} = 14.14 \text{ mm} < \text{edge distance}$$

:. $l_c = 14.14 \text{ mm}$.
 $\beta = 1.0 \text{ for pretensioned bolts}$.
 $b_e = 150 \text{ mm}, f_o = 0.7, f_{ub} = 0.7 \times 800 = 560 \text{ N/mm}^2$
 $t = 12 \text{ mm}$.

.. Prying force Q is given by

$$Q = \frac{l_v}{2l_c} \left[T_e - \frac{\beta n f_o b_e t^4}{27 l_c l_v^2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{21}{2 \times 14.14} \left[59872 - \frac{1.0 \times 1.5 \times 560 \times 150 \times 12^4}{27 \times 14.14 \times 21^2} \right]$$

$$= 32936 \text{ N}$$

.. Total tensile force in the bolt

$$T_f = 59872 + 32936 = 92808 \text{ N}$$

Tension capacity $T_{df} = \frac{1}{1.25} \times 0.9 f_{ub} A_n$

Tension capacity
$$I_{df} = \frac{1}{1.25} \times 0.9 f_{ub} A_n$$

= $\frac{1}{1.25} \times 0.9 \times 800 \times 0.78 \times \frac{\pi}{4} \times 24^2$
= 203249 N

Direct shear in the bolt = $\frac{600 \times 1000}{2 \times 10}$ = 30000 N

$$\therefore \left(\frac{V_{sb}}{V_{dsf}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{T_f}{T_{dsf}}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{30000}{75880}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{92808}{203249}\right)^2$$
$$= 0.365 < 1.0$$

Hence, OK.