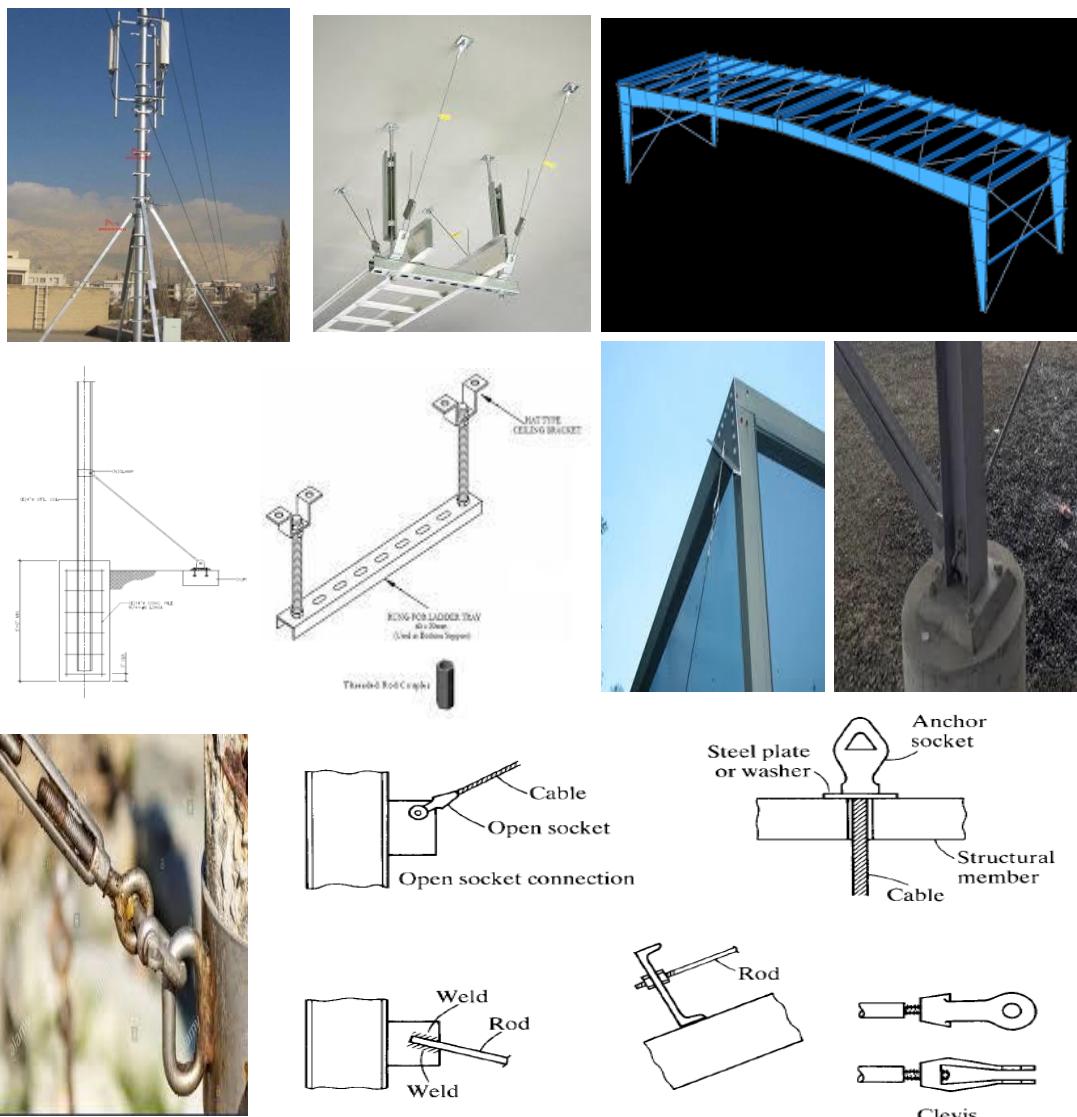


THREADED RODS (FASTENERS) (BARS)

When slenderness is not a consideration, rods with circular cross sections and cables are often used as tension members. The distinction between the two is that rods are solid and cables are made from individual strands wound together in ropelike fashion. Rods and cables are frequently used in suspended roof systems and as hangers or suspension members in bridges. Rods are also used in bracing systems; in some cases, they are pre tensioned to prevent them from going slack when external loads are removed. Figure below illustrates typical rod and cable connection methods. When the end of a rod is to be threaded, an upset end is sometimes used. This is an enlargement of the end in which the threads are to be cut. Threads reduce the cross-sectional area, and upsetting the end produces a larger gross area to start with. Standard upset ends with threads will actually have more net area in the threaded portion than in the unthreaded part. Upset ends are relatively expensive, however, and in most cases unnecessary.



Tension and Shear Strength of Bolts and Threaded Parts

The design tension or shear strength, ϕR_n , and the allowable tension or shear strength, R_n/Ω , of a snug-tightened or pre tensioned high-strength bolt or threaded part shall be determined according to the limit states of tensile rupture and shear rupture as follows:

$$R_n = F_n A_b \quad (J3-1)$$

$$\phi = 0.75 \text{ (LRFD)} \quad \Omega = 2.00 \text{ (ASD)}$$

Where

F_n = nominal tensile stress F_{nt} , or shear stress, F_{nv} from Table (J3.2)

$F_{nt} = 0.75 F_u$, ksi.

A_b = nominal unthreaded body area of bolt or threaded part in²

TABLE J3.2
Nominal Stress of Fasteners and Threaded Parts, ksi (MPa)

Description of Fasteners	Nominal Tensile Stress, F_{nt} , ksi (MPa)	Nominal Shear Stress in Bearing-Type Connections, F_{nv} , ksi (MPa)
A307 bolts	45 (310) ^{[a][b]}	24 (165) ^{[b][c][d]}
A325 or A325M bolts, when threads are not excluded from shear planes	90 (620) ^[e]	48 (330) ^[e]
A325 or A325M bolts, when threads are excluded from shear planes	90 (620) ^[e]	60 (414) ^[e]
A490 or A490M bolts, when threads are not excluded from shear planes	113 (780) ^[e]	60 (414) ^[e]
A490 or A490M bolts, when threads are excluded from shear planes	113 (780) ^[e]	75 (520) ^[e]
Threaded parts meeting the requirements of Section A3.4, when threads are not excluded from shear planes	$0.75 F_u^{[a][d]}$	$0.40 F_u$
Threaded parts meeting the requirements of Section A3.4, when threads are excluded from shear planes	$0.75 F_u^{[a][d]}$	$0.50 F_u$

[a] Subject to the requirements of Appendix 3.

[b] For A307 bolts the tabulated values shall be reduced by 1 percent for each $1/16$ in. (2 mm) over 5 diameters of length in the grip.

[c] Threads permitted in shear planes.

[d] The nominal tensile strength of the threaded portion of an upset rod, based upon the cross-sectional area at its major thread diameter, A_D , which shall be larger than the nominal body area of the rod before upsetting times F_y .

[e] For A325 or A325M and A490 or A490M bolts subject to tensile fatigue loading, see Appendix 3.

[f] When bearing-type connections used to splice tension members have a fastener pattern whose length, measured parallel to the line of force, exceeds 50 in. (1270 mm), tabulated values shall be reduced by 20 percent.

The value of f_u depending on the steel types as listed in Table (2-5)

Table 2-5

Applicable ASTM Specifications for Various Types of Structural Fasteners

Summary of Designs of Threaded Rod

LRFD Method ($\theta = 0.75$)	ASD METHOD ($\Omega = 2$)
Properties of material Steel f_y f_u (Table 2-5 / page 2-41 in AISC Manual) $P_u = 1.2D.l + 1.6L.l$ ($P_u \leq \theta P_n$)	Properties of material Steel f_y f_u (Table 2-5 / page 2-41 in AISC Manual) $P_a = D.l + L.l$ ($P_a \leq P_n / \Omega$)
$P_u = 0.75 \times 0.75 \times A_b x F_u$ $Ab = \frac{P_u}{0.75 \times 0.75 \times f_u}$ where: Ab = gross area for threaded rod F_u = Minimum ultimate tensile strength	$P_n / \Omega = 0.75 \times A_b x F_u / 2$ $Ab = \frac{P_n / \Omega}{0.75 F_u}$ where: Ab = gross area for threaded rod F_u = Minimum ultimate tensile strength

Example

A threaded rod is to be used as a bracing member that must resist a service tensile load of 2 kips dead load and 6 kips live load. What size of threaded rod is required if A36 steel is used?

solution

Steel f_y f_u (Table 2-5 / page 2-41 in AISC Manual)
A36 36 58

a- By using LRFD method

$$P_u = 1.2D.l + 1.6L.l = 1.2 \times 2 + 1.6 \times 6 = 12 \text{ kips}$$

$$Ab = \frac{P_u}{0.75 \times 0.75 \times f_u}$$

$$= \frac{12}{0.75 \times 0.75 \times 58} = 0.3678 \text{ in}^2$$

$$Ab = \pi D^2 / 4$$

$$0.3678 = 3.14 \times D^2 / 4 = 0.684 \text{ in}$$

use $\frac{3}{8}$ Diam. of threaded rod

or use the above Table to find the Diameter of threaded rod

Nominal Bolt Diameter, in.	Nominal Bolt Area, in. ²
5/8	0.307
3/4	0.442
7/8	0.601
1	0.785
1 1/8	0.994
1 1/4	1.23
1 3/8	1.48
1 1/2	1.77
1 3/4	2.40
2	3.14

b- By using ASD method

$$P_a = D.l + L.l = 2 + 6 = 8 \text{ kips}$$

$$Ab = \frac{P_a \Omega}{0.75 x f_u}$$

$$= \frac{8 \times 2}{0.75 \times 58} = 0.3678 \text{ in}^2$$

$$Ab = \pi D^2 / 4$$

$$0.3678 = 3.14 \times D^2 / 4 = 0.684 \text{ in}$$

Use $\frac{3}{8}$ Diam. of threaded rod

Or use the above Table to find the Diameter of threaded rod

Example

A 30 ft. of W14x48 is supported by two tension threaded rod AB & CD as shown in the Fig below. If 20 kip is a service live load, determine the rod diameter use A36 steel material and LRFD method.

Steel f_y f_u (Table 2-5 / page 2-41 in AISC Manual)
A36 36 58

$$P_u = 1.2 \times D_{II} + 1.6 P_{II} \\ = 1.2 \times (48/1000 \times 30) + 1.6 \times 20 = 33.78 \text{ kips}$$

$$\sum M@O=0$$

$$TAB = TCD$$

$$\sum F_y = 0$$

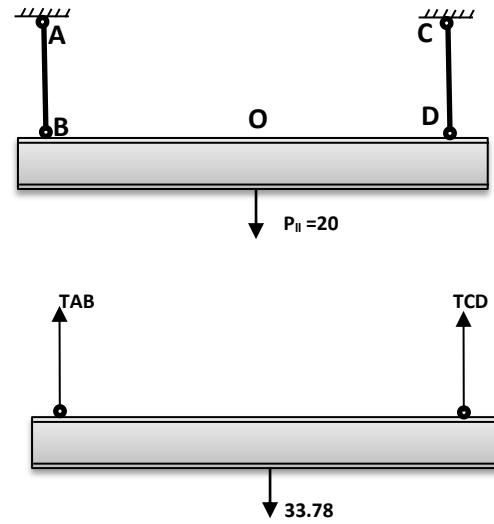
$$TAB + TCD = 33.78 = 2TAB = 33.78$$

$$TAB = TCD = 16.864 = P_u$$

$$Ab = \frac{P_u}{0.75 \times 0.75 \times f_u}$$

$$Ab = \frac{16.864}{0.75 \times 0.75 \times 58} = 0.5169 \text{ in}^2$$

Use 7/8 in Diam. of threaded rod



Example

What is the size of ASTM F1554 G36 threaded rod is required for member AB shown in the Fig. below if the service live load is 35 kip (neglect the self-weight of members) Use LRFD method

Steel f_y f_u (Table 2-5 / page 2-41 in AISC Manual)
ASTM F1554 G36 36 58

$$P_u = 1.2 P_{DI} + 1.6 P_{II}$$

$$1.6 \times 35 = 56 \text{ kips}$$

For joint B

$$\sum F_y = 0$$

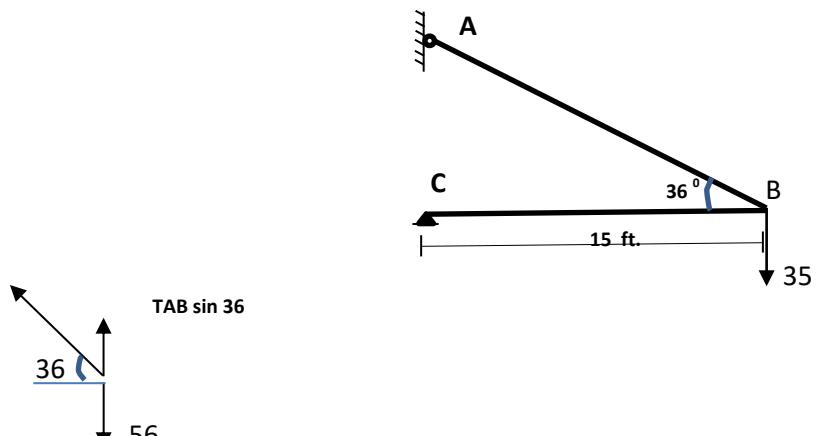
$$TAB \sin (36) = 56$$

$$TAB = 95.27 \text{ kip}$$

$$Ab = \frac{P_u}{0.75 \times 0.75 \times f_u}$$

$$Ab = \frac{95.27}{0.75 \times 0.75 \times 58} = 2.92 \text{ in}^2$$

Use 2 in Diam. of threaded rod



Homework

What is the size of ASTM F1554 G105 threaded rod is required for member AB shown in the Fig. below if the service live load is 35 kip and 1 k/ft as dead load Use LRFD method

