Pin-connected members should be designed for the following limit states (see Figure 3.38).

1. **Tension** on the net effective area (Figure 3.38a):

$$\phi_t = 0.75, \ \Omega_t = 2.00, \qquad P_n = F_u(2tb_e)$$
 (AISC Equation D5-1)

2. Shear on the effective area (Figure 3.38b):

$$\phi_{sf} = 0.75, \ \Omega_{sf} = 2.00, \qquad P_n = 0.6F_u A_{sf}$$
 (AISC Equation D5-2)

3. **Bearing.** This requirement is given in Chapter J ("Connections, Joints, and Fasteners"), Section J7 (Figure 3.38c):

 $\phi = 0.75, \Omega = 2.00, P_n = 1.8F_v A_{pb}$  (AISC Equation J7-1)

4. Tension on the gross section:

$$\phi_t = 0.90, \ \Omega_t = 1.67, \qquad P_n = F_y A_g$$
 (AISC Equation D2-1)

where

- t = thickness of connected part
- $b_e = 2t + 0.63 \le b$
- b = distance from edge of pin hole to edge of member, perpendicular to direction of force

$$A_{sf} = 2t(a+d/2)$$

- *a* = distance from edge of pin hole to edge of member, parallel to direction of force
- d = pin diameter

 $A_{pb}$  = projected bearing area = dt

Additional requirements for the relative proportions of the pin and the member are covered in AISC D5.2







(a) Fracture of net section





(c) Bearing

## Problems

## **Tensile Strength**

- **3.2-1** A PL  $\frac{3}{8} \times 7$  tension member is connected with three 1-inch-diameter bolts, as shown in Figure P3.2-1. The steel is A36. Assume that  $A_e = A_n$  and compute the following.
  - a. The design strength for LRFD.
  - b. The allowable strength for ASD.



## FIGURE P3.2-1

- **3.2-2** A PL  $\frac{1}{2} \times 8$  tension member is connected with six 1-inch-diameter bolts, as shown in Figure P3.2-2. The steel is ASTM A242. Assume that  $A_e = A_n$  and compute the following.
  - a. The design strength for LRFD.
  - b. The allowable strength for ASD.



FIGURE P3.2-2

- **3.2-3** A C12 × 30 is connected with 1-in. diameter bolts in each flange, as shown in Figure P3.2-3. If  $F_y = 50$  ksi,  $F_u = 65$  ksi, and  $A_e = 0.90A_n$ , compute the following.
  - a. The design strength for LRFD.
  - b. The allowable strength for ASD.