

Nuts and Washers for Anchor Rods

What is the proper material specification for anchor rod nuts and washers?

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Using Phi and Omega

On page 2-10 in the 13th Edition AISC *Specification for Structural Steel Buildings*, it states, "The general relationship between the safety factor (Ω) and the resistance factor (ϕ) is $\Omega = 1.5/\phi$." Does this relationship also extend to the loading, meaning if factored LRFD loads are provided can an engineer use the LRFD loads divided by 1.5 with ASD resistance factors?

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Torsion in HSS

How do you determine the Warping Constant (C_w) for HSS?

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Braced Frame Beam Design

On pages 3-47 and 3-48 of the AISC *Specification for Structural Steel Buildings*, a procedure is outlined for determining the axial force in a chevron braced frame beam. On page 3-48, the axial force is calculated as the average of the tension and compression resultants. Could you please explain the justification for this average value? From statics, it seems that it should instead be treated as a straight sum of the two resultants.

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