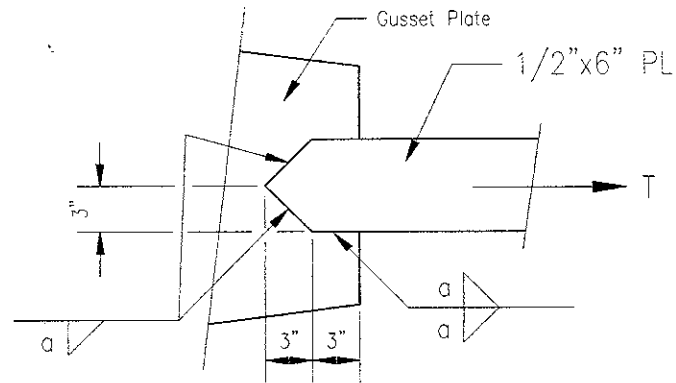


**Example Problem 5.3**

**Given:** The connection shown has a flat plate tension member attached to a gusset plate.

The plates are A36 steel.  
The electrode is F6.  
The weld size  $a = 3/8$ "

**Wanted:**

- Determine the weld strength of the connection considering the effect of the angle of load to weld axis.
- Determine the weld strength of the connection not considering the effect of angle of load to weld axis.
- Determine the thickness of the gusset plate to prevent shear rupture.

**Solution:**

a) FOR  $\theta = 0^\circ$

$$F_w = .60 (1 + 0.5 \sin^{1.5}(0)) 60 \text{ ksi} = .6 (60 \text{ ksi}) = 36 \text{ ksi}$$

$$A_w = 2(3") [1.707(3/8")] = 1.59 \text{ in}^2$$

$$R_{N 0^\circ} = 36 \text{ ksi} (1.59 \text{ in}^2) = 57.3 \text{ k}$$

FOR  $\theta = 45^\circ$

$$F_w = .60 (1 + 0.5 \sin^{1.5}(45^\circ)) (60 \text{ ksi}) = .778 (60 \text{ ksi}) = 46.7 \text{ ksi}$$

$$A_w = (2) \sqrt{3^2 + 3^2} [1.707(3/8")] = 2.25 \text{ in}^2$$

$$R_{N 45^\circ} = 46.7 \text{ ksi} (2.25 \text{ in}^2) = 105.1 \text{ k}$$

$$\text{TOTAL } R_N = 57.3 \text{ k} + 105.1 \text{ k}$$

TOTAL $R_N = 162.3 \text{ k}$	← ANSWER (a)
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b)

$$R_N = F_w A_w = .60 (60 \text{ ksi}) \left[ .707 \left( \frac{3}{8} \right) \left( 2(3'') + 2 \frac{3''}{.707} \right) \right]$$

$$= 36 \text{ ksi} (3.84 \text{ in}^2)$$

$$\boxed{R_N = 138.2 \text{ k}} \leftarrow \text{ANSWER (b)}$$

c)

$$F_{BM} A_{BM} \geq F_w A_w$$

$$\left( \frac{1}{2} F_{BM} \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} t_{PL} \right) \geq \left( \frac{1}{2} F_{EXX} \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} t_{PL} \right) \left( .707 a \right)$$

$$t_{PL} \geq \frac{F_{EXX}}{F_u} (.707 a) = \frac{60 \text{ ksi}}{58 \text{ ksi}} (.707) \left( \frac{3}{8} \right)$$

$$t_{PL} \geq .274''$$

$$\boxed{\text{USE } t_{PL} = 5/16''} \leftarrow \text{ANSWER (c)}$$