

3 hour Technical Seminar

Advanced Design of Steel Connections and Joints – Strength, Stiffness and Ductility

by

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Abstract

Joints and connections play a pivotal role in stability and safety of steel structures, which should provide an adequate load transfer between ends of members and their connecting components. To date, the connection design heavily relies on ‘Hand Calculations’ by spreadsheet or in-house tools, leading to a potential risk of human manipulation errors due to their over-simplifications as infinite rigid or frictionless pinned joints. This ‘Hand Calculation’ method may only be valid for some typical connections. Also, the actual details may violate the assumption of ‘pinned’ or ‘rigid’ connection, while the ‘semi-rigid’ connection offers the potential of significant decreases in steel weight as a means of decarbonization with less use of material without an introduction of joint complexity and construction cost. Further, it seems not rational to consider stiffness of beams and columns but not joints in a structural design. This seminar will share the knowledge and applications of the component-based finite element method for the design of both typical and complex steel connections and joints.

About the Speakers

Mr. SX Jing is a principal structural engineer of China United Engineering Corporation (中國聯合工程集團有限公司). He is a First class registered constructor in Mainland China. He was responsible for and involved in many EPC design of power station projects in China and oversea.

Ir Kevin Wang is an Associate of Buro Happold. He is a chartered structural engineer and registered professional engineer, experienced in structural steel engineering and had led and involved a variety of projects in Hong Kong, Mainland China and other regions of East Asia such as XRL, Xiqu Centre and Morpheus Hotel.

Dr. YP Liu obtained BSc. and MEng from Sun Yat-Sen University and his PhD at HK PolyU. He is currently a guest professor at Southwest Jiaotong University and Shenyang Jianzhu University in Mainland since 2018. He was involved in drafting of steel design codes in Mainland GB50017 (2017) and sits in the ad hoc committee in Hong Kong Steel Code. Dr. Liu publishes more than 100 publications in second-order direct analysis, nonlinear finite element and computational methods and acts as the principal developer of software Nida for practical analysis and design by second-order direct analysis and its theoretical development. In addition to research in steel, composite and seismic and wind engineering and position as Associate editor of the SCI-e Journal “Advanced Steel Construction” and the Journal “Progress in Steel Building Structures”, Dr. Liu acquires extensive practical experience in steel structure design which includes the second-order direct analysis and design of the world longest steel roof in MGM resort in Macau archived in Guinness Record 2019.

Dr. Jake Chan obtained his PhD in the field of Structural Engineering at the University of Hong Kong in 2020. He is currently a senior researcher at NIDA technology Ltd. His research interests are in advanced scaffold design and semi-rigid connections by finite element modelling. His research publication “Direct Analysis of Steel Frames with Asymmetrical Semi-rigid Joints” co-authored with his PhD supervisor Prof SH LO was granted a commendation award for HKIE Structural Excellence Award (R&D Project) in 2020.

Date: 20th December 2022 Tuesday
Time: 1:30 pm for 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Venue: Room Z414, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hung Hom, Kowloon.
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Programme

Time	Programme	Speaker
1:30 pm	Registration	N.A.
2:00 pm	Welcome speech	Ir Prof. SL Chan
2:05 pm	Design of complex steel joints in practical projects using advanced method	Mr. SX Jing
2.45 pm	Theoretical background and advantages of component-based finite element method	Ir YY Wang
3:25 pm	Break	N.A.
3:40 pm	Innovative design of hoarding system with consideration of semi-rigid connection	Dr. Jake Chan
4:20 pm	Steel design by second-order direct analysis allowing for finite joint stiffness	Dr. YP Liu
5:00 pm	End	N.A.

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