

FIRE DESIGN METHOD FOR COLD-FORMED STEEL SHEETING SYSTEM

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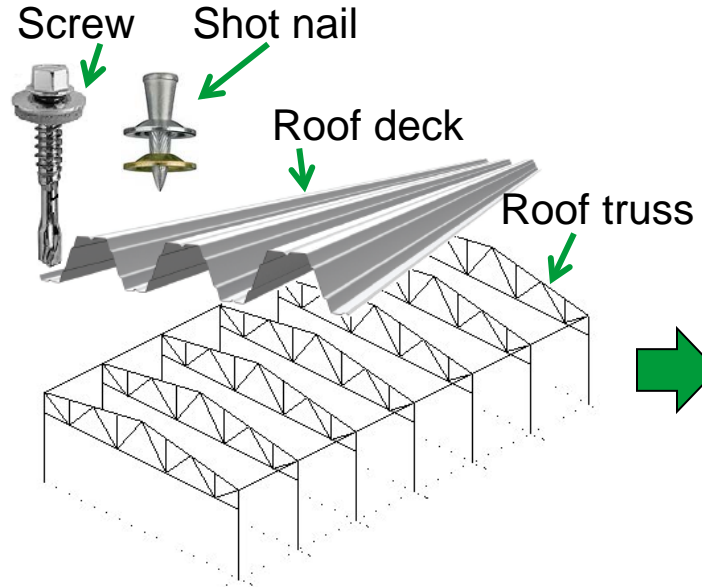


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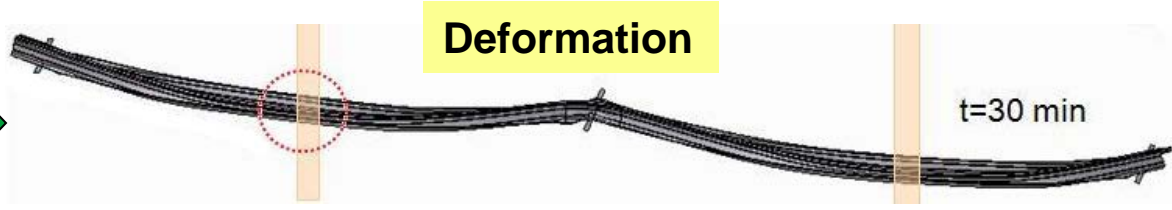
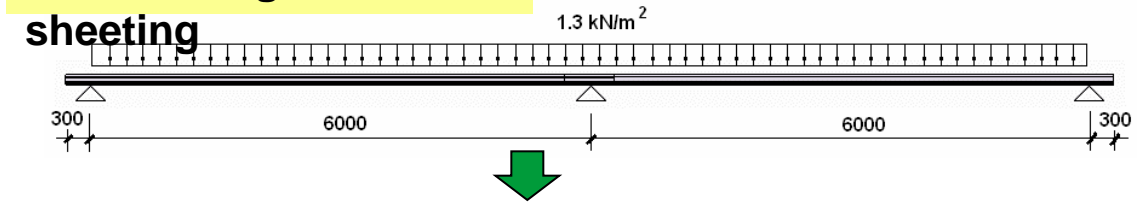
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Applications and objectives

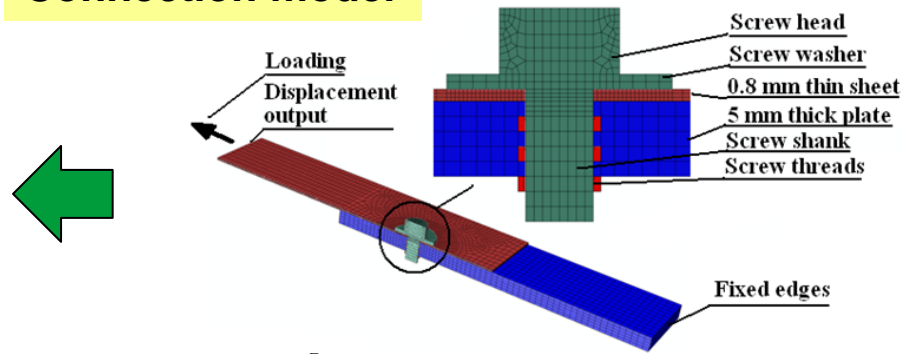


FE modeling of sheeting



Assumptions: No failure occurred in connection; Temperature is uniformly

Connection model sheeting



Drawback → Only one direction shear is modelled.

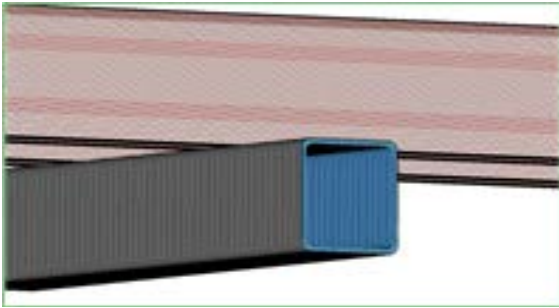
Objective of this research:

- Temperature distribution near joint with or without fire protections
- Behaviour of sheeting system when connector is modelled

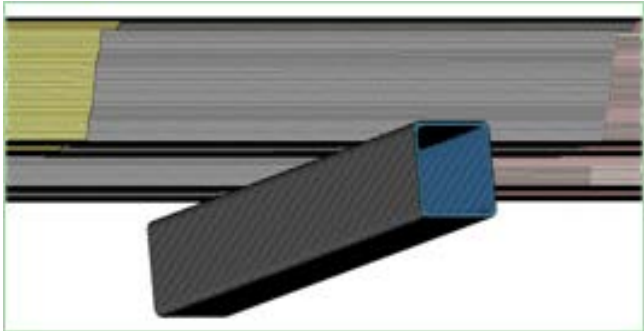
Geometrical model with fire protections



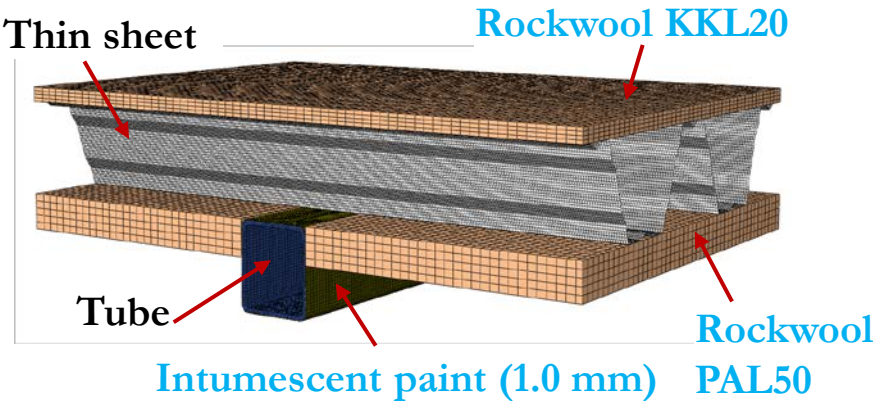
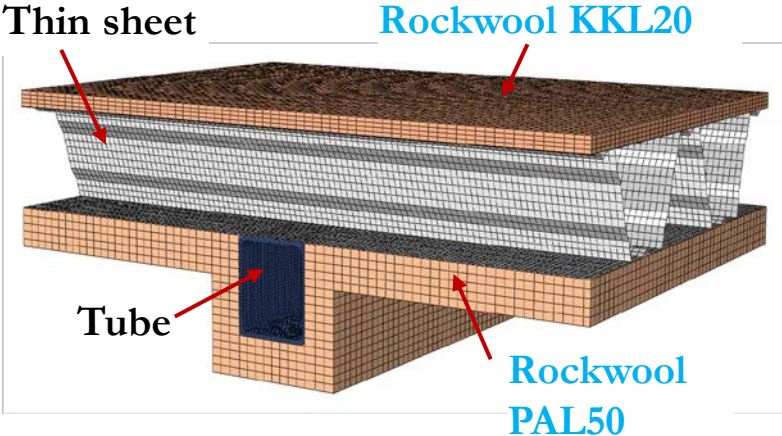
Connection details



Only tube protected
→ intumescent paint (1 mm)



Both tube and sheeting (500 mm) protected → intumescent paint (1 mm)



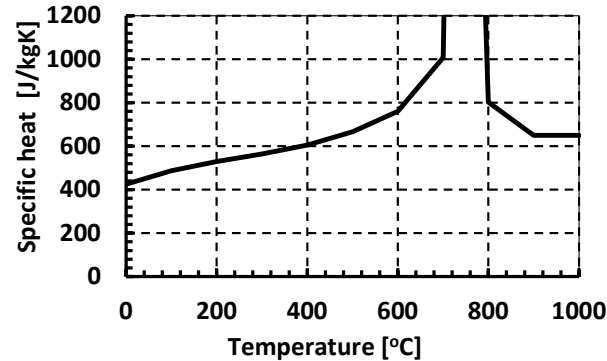
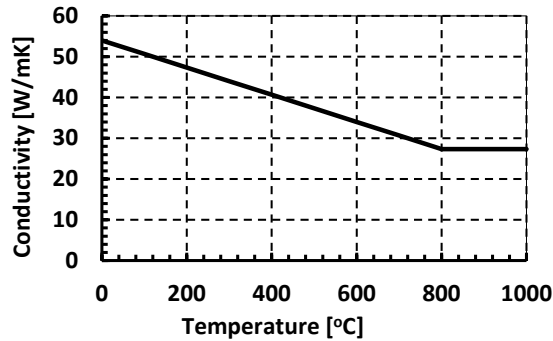
FE models

| Cases | Fire Protections | | | Output | Fire model |
|--------|------------------|----------|------|------------------------|------------|
| | Tube | Sheeting | Nail | | |
| Case A | no | no | no | Nail Steel sheeting | ISO fire |
| Case B | ITUPaint | no | no | | |
| Case C | ITUPaint | ITUPaint | no | | |
| Case D | RW | ITUPaint | no | | |
| Case E | RW | RW | no | | |

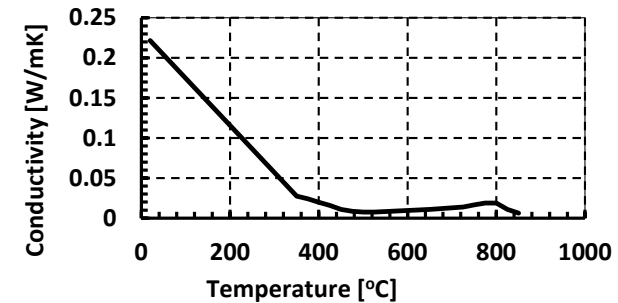
- **ABAQUS / Standard**
- **Diffusive heat transfer elements, which allow for the heat storage (specific heat and latent effects)**
 - Steel sheeting \Rightarrow shell elements **DS4**
 - Tubular chord \Rightarrow solid elements **DC3D8**
 - Nails \Rightarrow solid elements **DC3D8**.
 - Intumescent paint \Rightarrow solid elements **DC3D8** (3 layers in 1 mm thickness)
 - Rockwool panels \Rightarrow solid elements **DC3D8**

Thermal material properties

Steel → EN 1993-1-2

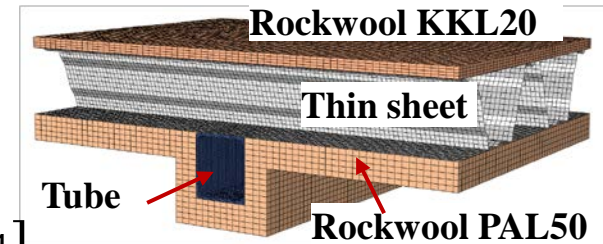


Intumescent paint



- Thermal properties of Rockwool
 - Thermal conductivity for Rockwool 0.045 W/mK
 - Density for Rockwool: PAL50 → 155 kg/m³ for KKL20 → 235 kg/m³
- Intumescent paint
 - Thickness of intumescent paint is assumed to be constant
 - Equivalent thermal conductivity is varied with time

Thermal load



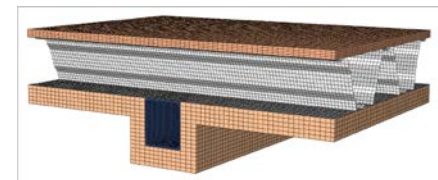
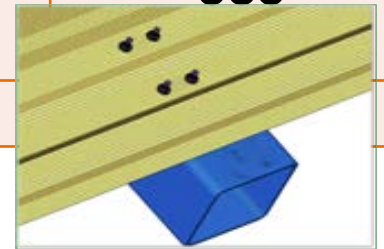
- Heat flux through exposed surface

$$q = \alpha_c \cdot (T_g - T_s) + \sigma \cdot \varepsilon \cdot \left[(T_g + 273)^4 - (T_s + 273)^4 \right]$$

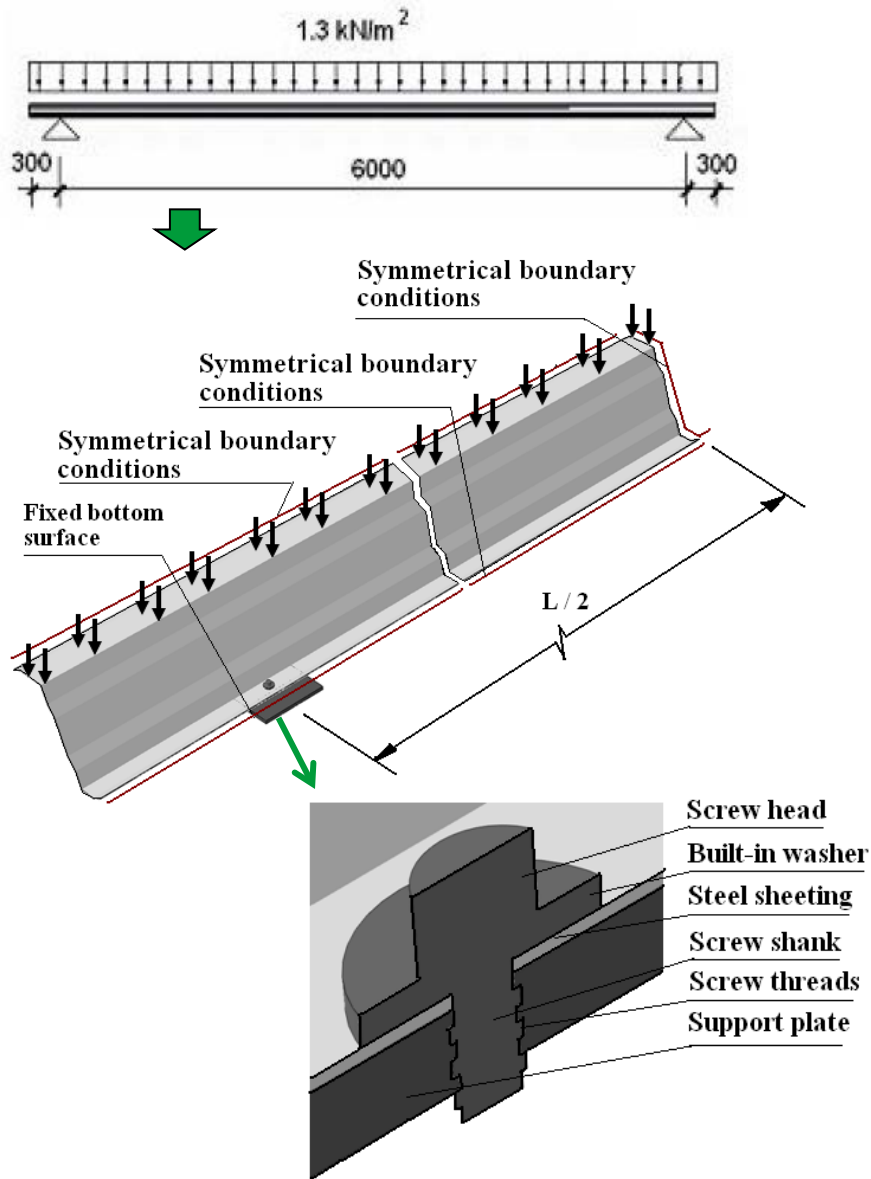
- Convection in ABAQUS using keyword *SFILM with Film properties
 - 25 W/mK → exposed surfaces to hot gas
 - 8 W/mK → upper surface exposed to ambient temperature
- Radiation → *SRADIATE with emissivity of 0.6 for both steel and protection
- Cavity radiation
 - Inner surfaces of tube
 - Surface between rockwool panel and folds of sheeting
- Approximate cavity radiation approach in ABAQUS, assuming
 - Equal view factors and constant emissivity in the cavity surfaces (0.3)
 - Full thin coat with high conductivity is modeled
- Contact conductance
 - Steel to steel → 2000 W/m²K
 - Rockwool to steel → 200 W/m²K

Comparisons of temperatures at 30 min

| CASES | Sheet [°C] (top) | Sheet [°C] (bottom) | Tube [°C] | Nail-shank [°C] |
|--------------------------------|--|------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| No protection (A) | 565 | 831 | 720 | 710 |
| Tube ITU, sheet no (B) | 470 | 831 | 475 | 565 |
| Tube ITU, sheet ITU (C) | 340 | 450 | 475 | 460 |
| Tube ITU, sheet RW (D) | 45 | - | 390 | 385 |
| Both Rockwool (E) | Affected by protection applied to sheeting | | 51 | |



- Top or bottom sheeting
- Steel tube temperature → affected by protection on it
- More effective → Rockwool
- Location of nails
- Nail temperature → affected by the tube protection



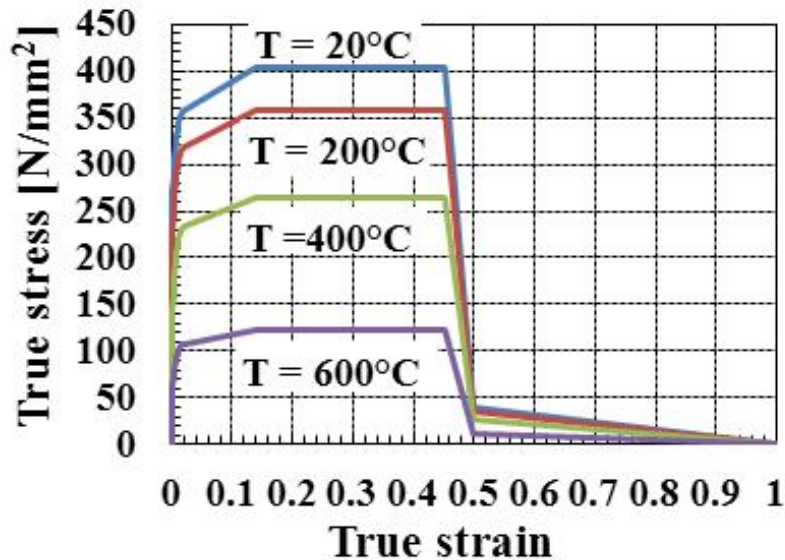
FE model

- Geometrical model
 - Single span ($L = 6 \text{ m}$) with uniform load
 - Steel sheeting R120, $t=0.8\text{mm}$
 - Screw $\phi 5.5$
 - Connected to thick plate (5 mm)
 - Bottom surface of thick plate is fixed
- Two step loading process:
 - Mechanical loading $\rightarrow 1.3\text{kN/m}^2$
 - Temperature increase \rightarrow ISO fire
- ABAQUS / Explicit
- Symmetrical properties
 - Profile
 - Half span
- Geometrical nonlinearity and material non-linearity
- Solid elements \rightarrow C3D8R for all parts
- General contacts

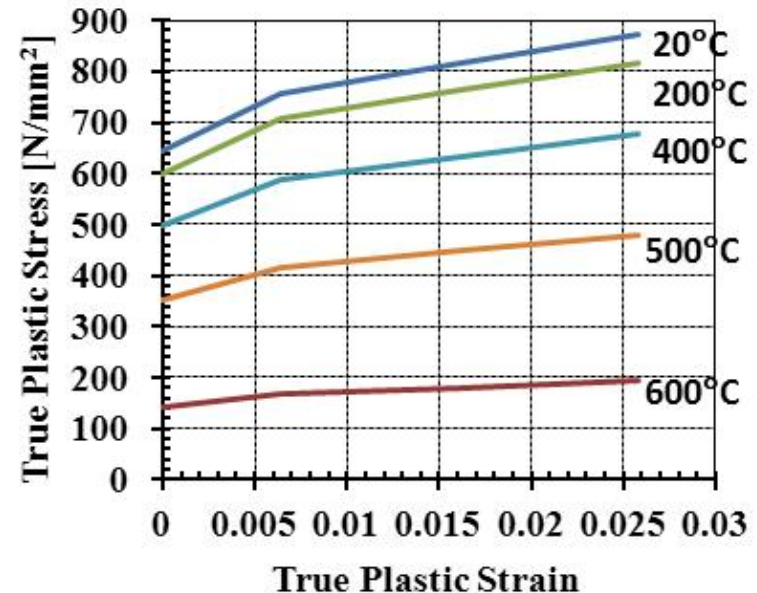
Material properties

| | Sheeting | Support | Connector |
|-------------------|------------------|---------|-----------|
| Steel grades | S350 | S355 | 8.8 |
| Damage initiation | 0.45 true strain | No | No |

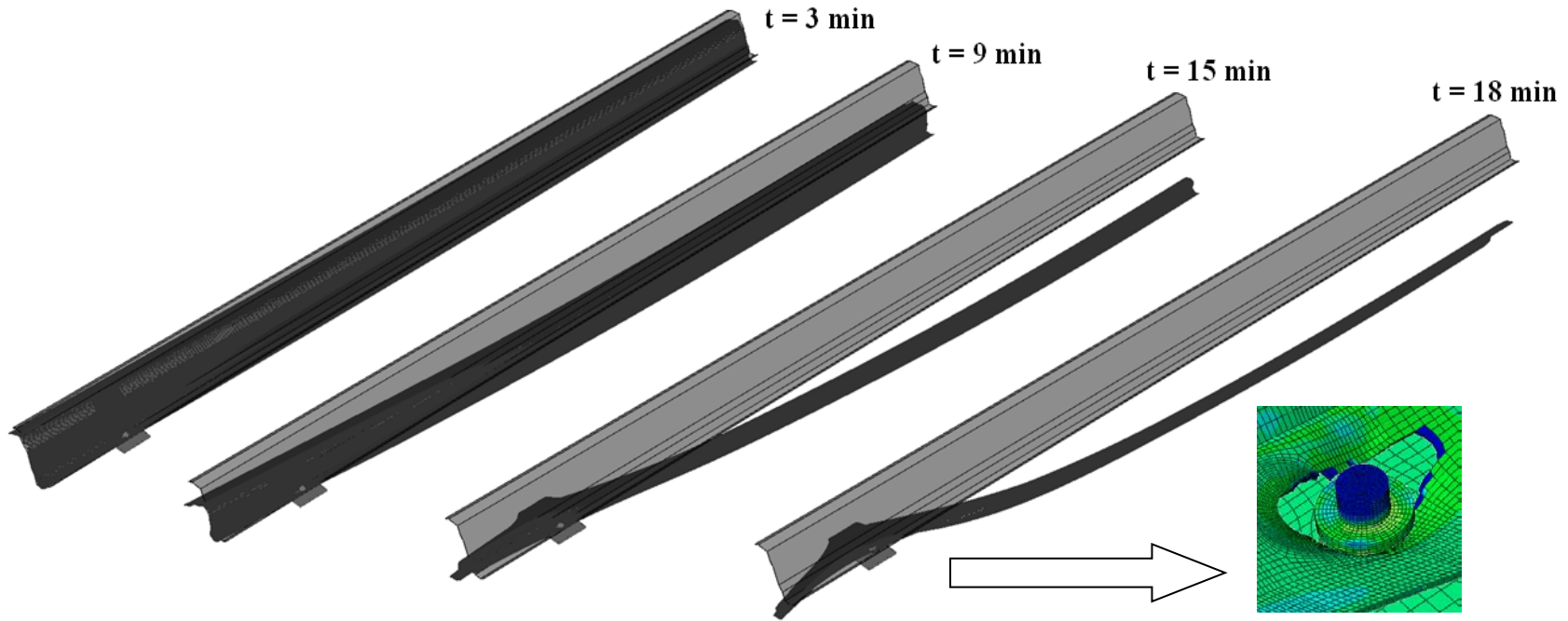
True stress – true strain curve for S350 with damage model



True stress – true strain curve for bolt 8.8

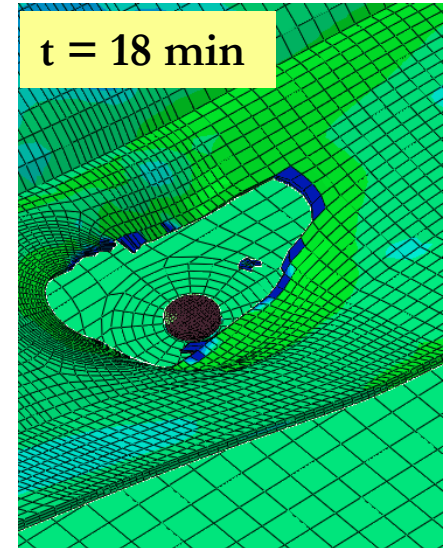
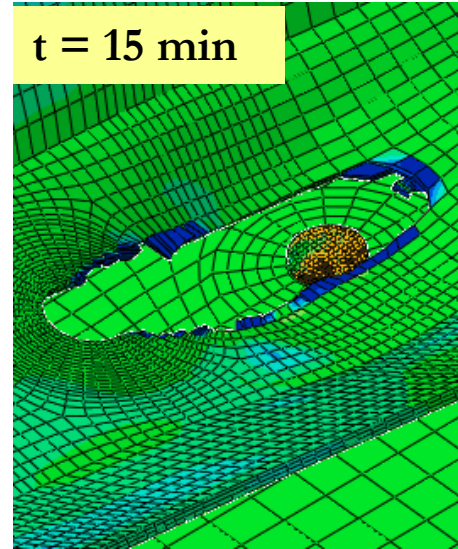
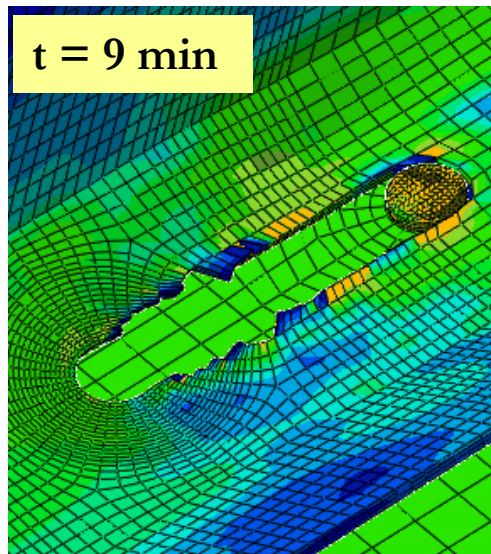
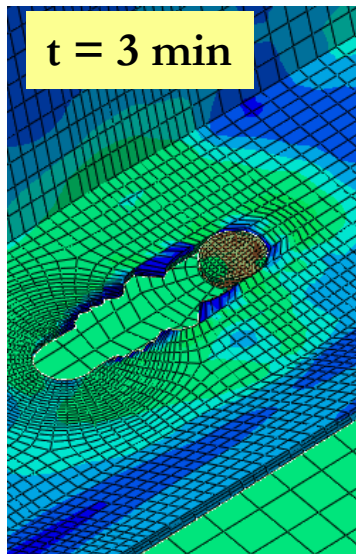


Deformation histories



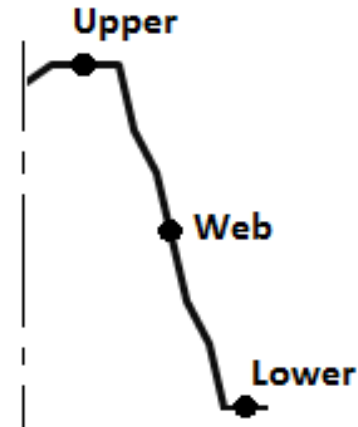
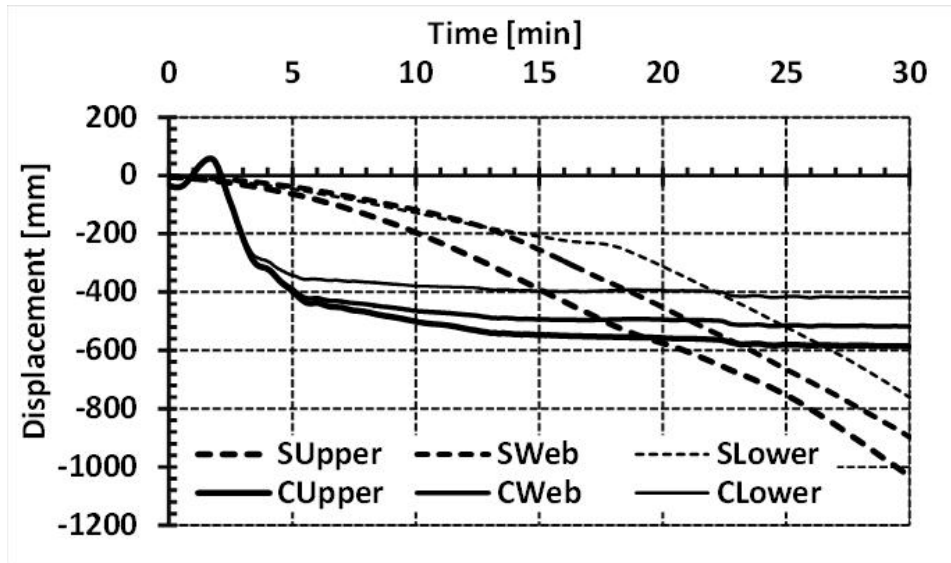
- $t = 9 \text{ min}$ → top flange deformed more than web and lower flange
- $t = 15 \text{ min}$ → profiled cross-section collapsed at support
- $t = 18 \text{ min}$ → profiled cross-section collapsed in mid span
- Pull – through failure of sheeting has been observed

Local deformation at joint



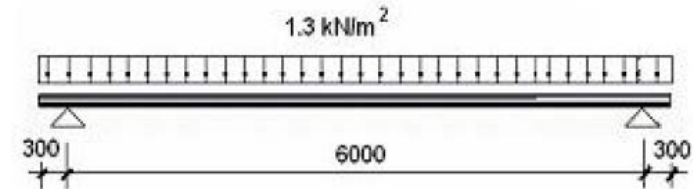
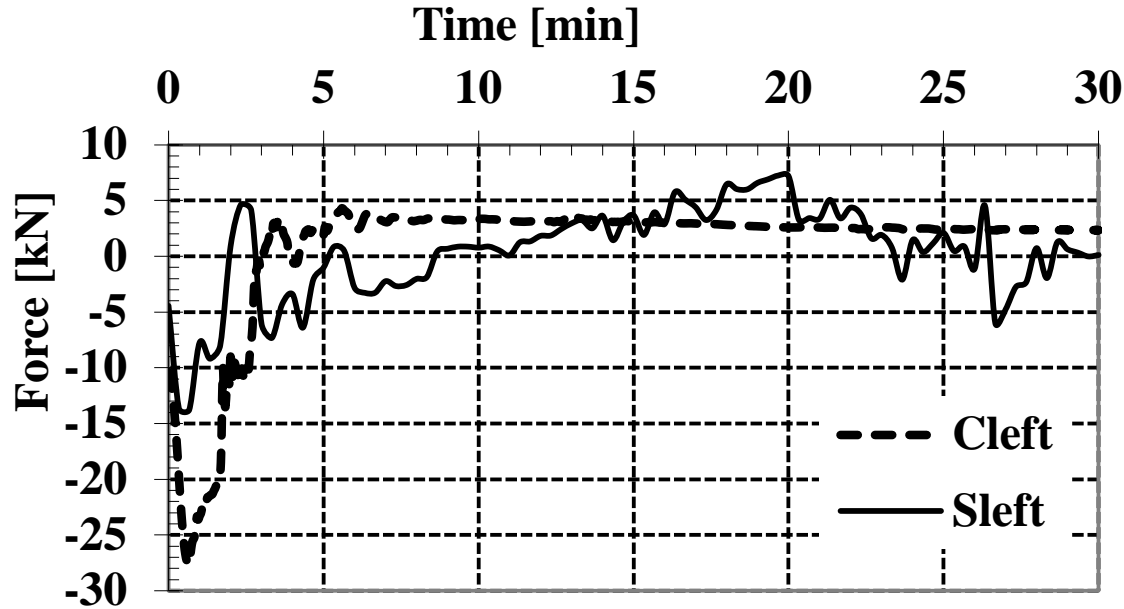
- $t = 3 \text{ min}$ → bearing failure of sheeting
- $t = 9 \text{ min}$ → bearing force start to change direction
- $t = 15 \text{ min}$ → sheeting in the process of catenary action
- $t = 18 \text{ min}$ → profiled cross-section changed to simple sheet
- Uplift force → pull – through failure of sheeting observed

Displacement - time curves



- Location of output points → upper, web and lower
- Solid lines → FE model with connector elements
- Dotted lines → FE model with screw being modelled
- Buckling of sheeting → earlier for model with connector element
- Rigidity → more rigid of joint → higher compressive load
- Pull – through failure → FE model with screw being modelled

Variation of reaction force at left support



- Solid lines → FE model with screw being modelled
- Dotted lines → FE model with connector elements
- Stiffness of joint → higher compressive force developed
- Compression to tension → gradually or suddenly

Conclusions

- **Rockwool protection is more efficient than ITUPaint (1mm thickness)**
 - **Thickness of ITUPaint need to be improved in order to get same efficiency**
- **3D FE sheeting system model including the actual screw dimensions**
 - **Current model captures main behaviour up to 20 minutes**
- **Comparing to FE model with connector elements**
 - **Current model showed a reduced maximum compressive force developed from restrained thermal elongation**
 - **A delayed buckling of steel sheeting**
 - **Benefit for both steel sheeting and joint**
- **Future researches**
 - **Improvements for FE model**
 - ~~**Integrate temperatures distribution at joint into FE model of sheeting system**~~