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**STRUCTURAL CALCULATIONS ON  
SLOTTED STRUT CHANNELS  
TO MATCH STANDARD SMACNA  
REINFORCING ANGLES**



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### **OBJECTIVE**

The objective of this analysis is to determine the equivalent strut that can match a standard SMACNA angle. The criteria used will be providing a strut section that is equal to or greater than the moment of inertia or section modulus of the SMACNA angle. So the main criteria are trying to match the bending properties.

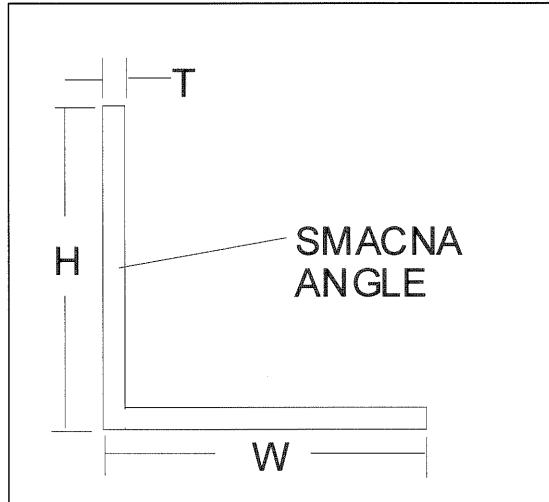
### **CALCULATION FOR MOMENT OF INERTIA AND SECTION MODULUS OF SMACNA ANGLES**

The SMACNA angles we are trying to match are as follows:

$\frac{3}{4}'' \times \frac{3}{4}'' \times 1/8''$   
 $1'' \times 1'' \times 16$  Gage  
 $1'' \times 1'' \times 1/8''$   
 $1 \frac{1}{4}'' \times 1 \frac{1}{4}'' \times 12$  Gage  
 $1 \frac{1}{4}'' \times 1 \frac{1}{4}'' \times 1/8''$   
 $1 \frac{1}{2}'' \times 1 \frac{1}{2}'' \times 1/8''$   
 $1 \frac{1}{2}'' \times 1 \frac{1}{2}'' \times 3/16''$   
 $2'' \times 2'' \times 1/8''$   
 $2'' \times 2'' \times 3/16''$   
 $2'' \times 2'' \times 1/4''$   
 $2 \frac{1}{2}'' \times 2 \frac{1}{2}'' \times 1/8''$   
 $2 \frac{1}{2}'' \times 2 \frac{1}{2}'' \times 3/16''$   
 $2 \frac{1}{2}'' \times 2 \frac{1}{2}'' \times 1/4''$   
 $3'' \times 3'' \times 1/4''$

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**FIGURE 1: SECTION VIEW OF ANGLE**

Below are the equations to determine the area, A, and the centroid, Y, of the angle.

$$A = H \times T + (H - T) \times T$$

$$Y = [H \times T \times H/2 + (H - T) \times T \times T/2] / A$$

Below are the equations to determine the moment of inertia, I, and the Section Modulus, S, of the angle.

$$I = H^3 \times T / 12 + (H/2 - Y)^2 \times (H \times T) + (H - T) \times T^3 / 12 + (T/2 - Y)^2 \times (H - T) \times T$$

$$S = I / (H - Y)$$

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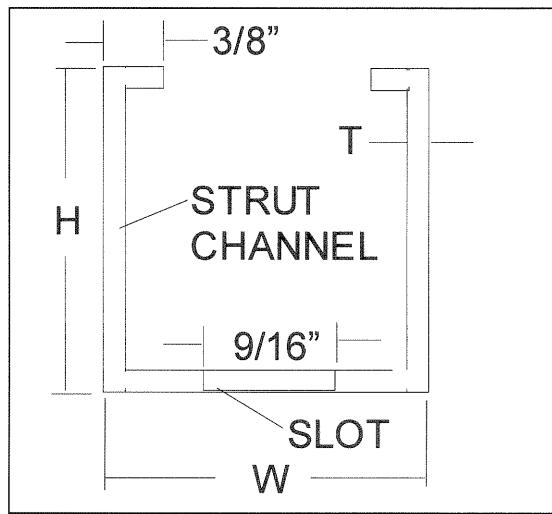


FIGURE 2: SECTION VIEW OF STRUT CHANNEL

Below are the equations to determine the area, **A**, and the centroid, **Y**, of the strut channel. The width of the Slot is 9/16".

$$A = 2 \times (H - 2 \times T) \times T + (W - \text{Slot}) \times T + 2 \times 0.375 \times T$$

$$Y = 2 \times (H - 2 \times T) \times T \times H/2 + (W - \text{Slot}) \times T \times T/2 + 2 \times 0.375 \times T \times (H - T/2) / A$$

Below are the equations to determine the moment of inertia, **I**, and the Section Modulus, **S**, of the strut channel.

$$\begin{aligned} I_{y-y} &= [ T(H-2xT)^3 /12 + (H/2 - Y)^2 \times (H-2xT)xT ] \times 2 \\ &+ [ (W-Slot)xT^3 / 12 + ((W-Slot)xT) \times (Y-T/2)^2 ] \\ &+ [ 0.375xT^3 /12 + ((H - T/2) - Y)^2 \times (0.375xT) ] \times 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$S_{y-y} = I_{y-y} / (H - Y)$$

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Properties of SMACNA angles and equivalent strut sizes are tabulated below.

ANGLE SIZE	AREA	I	S	WT/FT
<b>3/4 X 3/4 X 1/8</b>	0.172	0.009	0.017	0.58
<b>1"x1"x16 GA</b>	0.116	0.011	0.016	0.39
<b>1"x1"x1/8"</b>	0.234	0.022	0.031	0.80
<b>1 1/4" x 1 1/4" x 12 GA</b>	0.251	0.038	0.042	0.85
<b>1 1/4" x 1 1/4" x 1/8"</b>	0.297	0.044	0.049	1.01
<b>1 1/2" x 1 1/2" x 1/8"</b>	0.359	0.078	0.072	1.22
<b>1 1/2" x 1 1/2" x 3/16"</b>	0.527	0.110	0.104	1.79
<b>2" x 2"x 1/8"</b>	0.484	0.190	0.131	1.65
<b>2" x 2" x 3/16"</b>	0.715	0.272	0.190	2.43
<b>2" x 2" x 1/4"</b>	0.938	0.348	0.247	3.19
<b>2 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 1/8"</b>	0.609	0.378	0.207	2.07
<b>2 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 3/16"</b>	0.902	0.547	0.303	3.07
<b>2 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 1/4"</b>	1.188	0.703	0.394	4.04
<b>3" x 3" x 1/4"</b>	1.438	1.244	0.577	4.89

ANGLE SIZE	EQUIVALENT STRUT SIZE	STRUT HEIGHT	GAGE	AREA	Iy-y	Sy-y	WT/FT
<b>3/4 X 3/4 X 1/8</b>	<b>13/16 x 1 5/8 x 16 GA</b>	0.8125	0.0598	0.191	0.018	0.042	0.71
<b>1"x1"x16 GA</b>	<b>13/16 x 1 5/8 x 16 GA</b>	0.8125	0.0598	0.191	0.018	0.042	0.71
<b>1"x1"x1/8"</b>	<b>15/16 x 1 5/8 x 16 GA</b>	0.9375	0.0598	0.206	0.026	0.051	0.76
<b>1 1/4" x 1 1/4" x 12 GA</b>	<b>1 1/8 x 1 5/8 x 16 GA</b>	1.125	0.0598	0.229	0.040	0.067	0.84
<b>1 1/4" x 1 1/4" x 1/8"</b>	<b>1 1/4 x 1 5/8 x 16 GA</b>	1.25	0.0598	0.244	0.052	0.078	0.89
<b>1 1/2" x 1 1/2" x 1/8"</b>	<b>1 1/2 x 1 5/8 x 16 GA</b>	1.5	0.0598	0.273	0.082	0.102	0.99
<b>1 1/2" x 1 1/2" x 3/16"</b>	<b>1 3/4 x 1 5/8 x 16 GA</b>	1.75	0.0598	0.303	0.120	0.129	1.09
<b>2" x 2"x 1/8"</b>	<b>2 x 1 5/8 x 14 GA</b>	2	0.0747	0.412	0.203	0.193	1.47
<b>2" x 2" x 3/16"</b>	<b>2 1/4 x 1 5/8 x 14 GA</b>	2.25	0.0747	0.449	0.274	0.232	1.60
<b>2" x 2" x 1/4"</b>	<b>2 1/4 x 1 5/8 x 12 GA</b>	2.25	0.1046	0.617	0.365	0.308	2.20
<b>2 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 1/8"</b>	<b>2 3/8 x 1 5/8 x 12 GA</b>	2.375	0.1046	0.643	0.419	0.337	2.29
<b>2 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 3/16"</b>	<b>2 3/4 x 1 5/8 x 12 GA</b>	2.75	0.1046	0.721	0.615	0.429	2.55
<b>2 1/2" x 2 1/2" x 1/4"</b>	<b>3 x 1 5/8 x 12 GA</b>	3	0.1046	0.773	0.774	0.495	2.73
<b>3" x 3" x 1/4"</b>	<b>3 5/8 x 1 5/8 x 12 GA</b>	3.625	0.1046	0.904	1.279	0.682	3.18