

Sample No. 5

Sample FEA Analysis for Reinforced Branch Connection

DN2000 WT=10mm Header with DN300 WT=10mm Branch
Pipe Material A106-B

Geometry:

Header Pipe OD =	2000	mm	D/t=	200
Header Pipe WT=	10	mm		
Branch Pipe OD =	300	mm	D/t=	30
Branch Pipe WT=	10	mm		
Re-pad Width=	150	mm		
Re-pad WT=	20	mm		

Note: D/t is greater than 20 therefore can be considered as thin shell.

With 2 m of Length for Header and 1 m for Branch

Note: Length of Header is the total length. Branch is modelled at the center of header.

The given length of Branch is from face of header to end of branch.

Loads Applied at Branch End:

In-plane Bending Moment=	30000	N-m
Out-Plane Bending Moment=	10000	N-m
Axial Force=	100000	N
Torsional Moment=	50000	N-m
Internal Pressure, P=	1	Mpa

Boundary Condition:

Fixed at the One End of the Header Pipe

Inplane Von-Mises Equivalent Stress Output:

One FEA Software	283 Mpa	(Inplane)	
Another FEA Software (Brick Element)	258 Mpa	(Inplane)	(Mid Nodes Not Included)
Another FEA Software (Brick Element)	306 Mpa	(Inplane)	(Mid Nodes Included)
Another FEA Software (Plate Element)=	526 Mpa	(Inplane)	(Linear Plate Element Formulation)
Another FEA Software (Shell Element)=	632 Mpa	(Inplane)	(General Shell Element with Mid Node)
Another FEA Software (Shell Element)=	578 Mpa	(Inplane)	(Thin Shell Element)

Outplane Von-Mises Equivalent Stress Output:

One FEA Software	151 Mpa	(Outplane)	
Another FEA Software (Brick Element)	144 Mpa	(Outplane)	(Mid Nodes Not Included)
Another FEA Software (Brick Element)	163 Mpa	(Outplane)	(Mid Nodes Included)
Another FEA Software (Plate Element)=	306 Mpa	(Outplane)	(Linear Plate Element Formulation)
Another FEA Software (Shell Element)=	360 Mpa	(Outplane)	(General Shell Element with Mid Node)
Another FEA Software (Shell Element)=	324 Mpa	(Outplane)	(Thin Shell Element)

Axial Von-Mises Equivalent Stress Output:

One FEA Software	192 Mpa	(Axial)	
Another FEA Software (Brick Element)	174 Mpa	(Axial)	(Mid Nodes Not Included)
Another FEA Software (Brick Element)	218 Mpa	(Axial)	(Mid Nodes Included)
Another FEA Software (Plate Element)=	428 Mpa	(Axial)	(Linear Plate Element Formulation)
Another FEA Software (Shell Element)=	435 Mpa	(Axial)	(Thin Shell Element)
Another FEA Software (Shell Element)=	485 Mpa	(Axial)	(General Shell Element with Mid Node)

Torsion Von-Mises Equivalent Stress Output:

One FEA Software	76 Mpa	(Torsion)	
Another FEA Software (Brick Element)	91 Mpa	(Torsion)	(Mid Nodes Not Included)
Another FEA Software (Brick Element)	116 Mpa	(Torsion)	(Mid Nodes Included)
Another FEA Software (Plate Element)=	81 Mpa	(Torsion)	(Linear Plate Element Formulation)
Another FEA Software (Shell Element)=	88 Mpa	(Torsion)	(Thin Shell Element)
Another FEA Software (Shell Element)=	87 Mpa	(Torsion)	(General Shell Element with Mid Node)

Pressure Von-Mises Equivalent Stress Output:

One FEA Software	204 Mpa	(Pressure)	
Another FEA Software (Brick Element)	278 Mpa	(Pressure)	(Mid Nodes Not Included)
Another FEA Software (Brick Element)	351 Mpa	(Pressure)	(Mid Nodes Included)
Another FEA Software (Plate Element)=	319 Mpa	(Pressure)	(Linear Plate Element Formulation)
Another FEA Software (Shell Element)=	253 Mpa	(Pressure)	(Thin Shell Element)
Another FEA Software (Shell Element)=	361 Mpa	(Pressure)	(General Shell Element with Mid Node)

Combined Loading Von-Mises Equivalent Stress Output:

One FEA Software	442 Mpa	(Combined)	
Another FEA Software (Brick Element)	407 Mpa	(Combined)	(Mid Nodes Not Included)
Another FEA Software (Brick Element)	483 Mpa	(Combined)	(Mid Nodes Included)
Another FEA Software (Plate Element)=	1238 Mpa	(Combined)	(Linear Plate Element Formulation)
Another FEA Software (Shell Element)=	1239 Mpa	(Combined)	(Thin Shell Element)
Another FEA Software (Shell Element)=	1424 Mpa	(Combined)	(General Shell Element with Mid Node)