



# ***Advance Steel for BIM: Seamless Workflow from Design to Fabrication***

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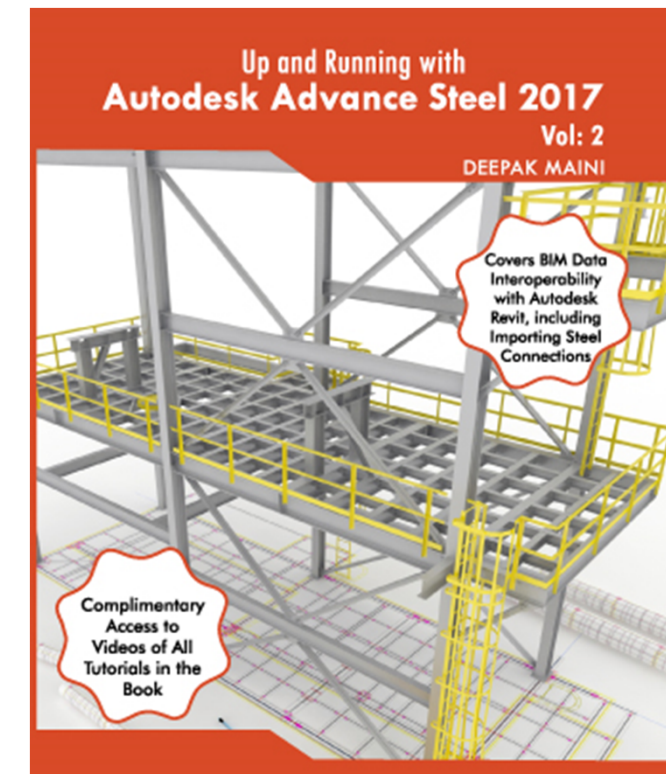
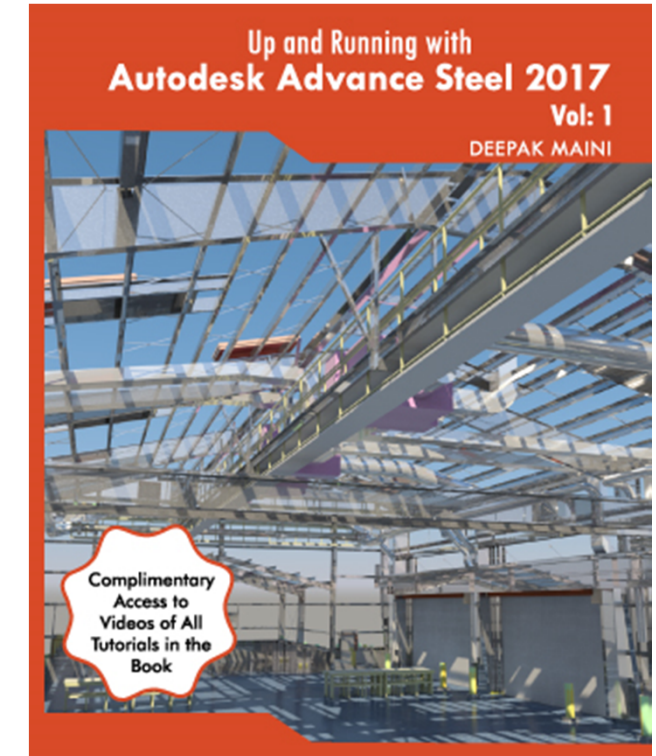
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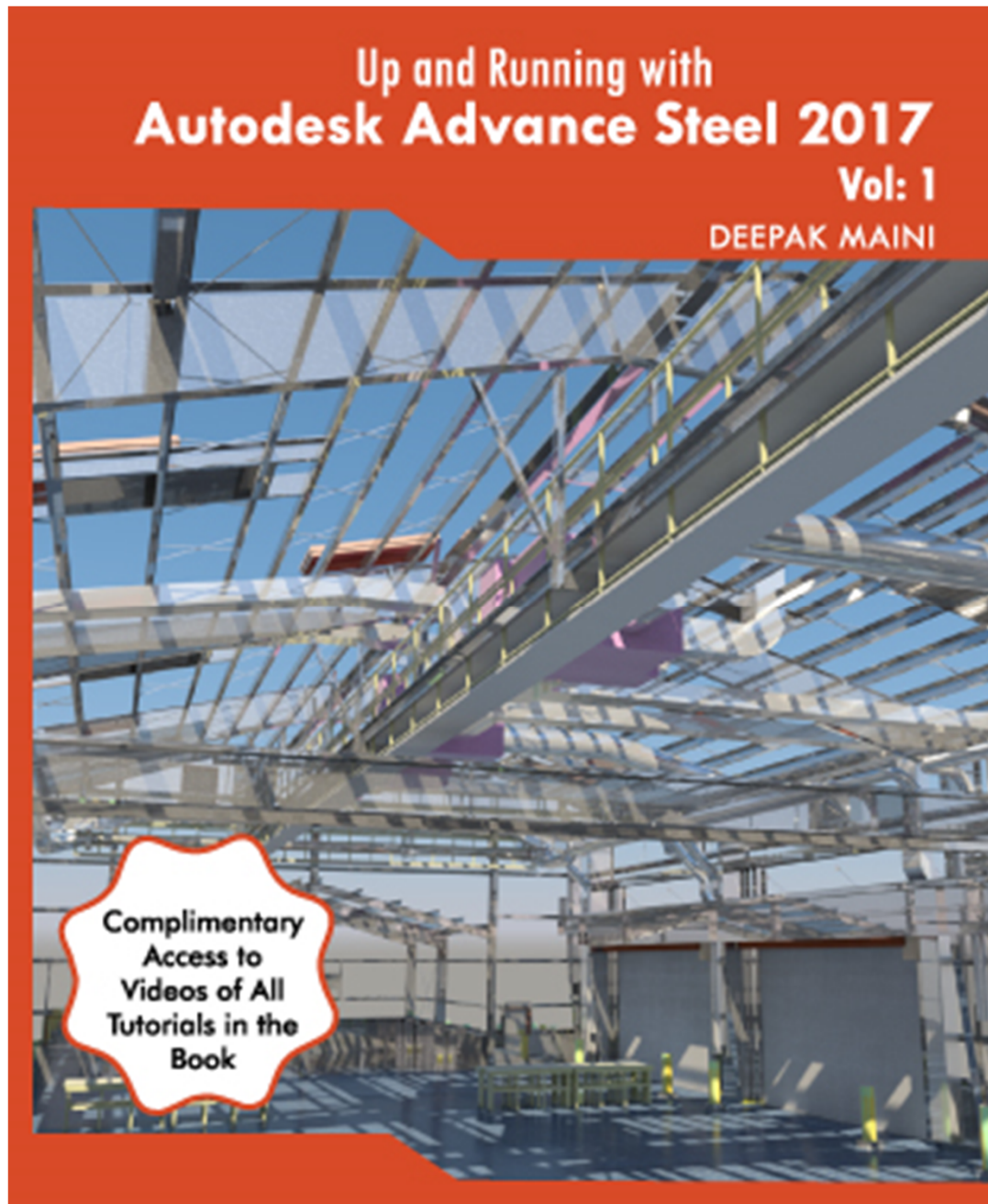
# My Introduction

- Qualified Mechanical Engineer
- More than 18 Years of Experience on various CAD Software
- Regular Speaker at Autodesk University in Las Vegas
- Guest Lecturer at the University of New South Wales (UNSW) and University of Technology Sydney (UTS)
- Author of the “Up and Running with Autodesk Advance Steel” series of books
- Author of the “Up and Running with Autodesk Navisworks” series of books





# Give Away 2 Copies of the Advance Steel Book





# A lot more Goodies...





# My Aim: Lets Keep it Simple and Have Fun as we Learn

- Class is Being Recorded. You and your colleagues will be able to view it around Mid-December as “Class on Demand” from AU Website
- Happy to Receive Emails from Attendees Anytime about Any Technical Question
- Mobile Phones on Silent Mode Please. Thanks



## Class summary

To maintain a competitive advantage, more and more structural engineers are trying to find a way to capitalize on their Building Information Modeling (BIM) data for steel detailing and fabrication. This class will focus on showing how Advance Steel software is proving to be the missing link that enables structural engineers to capitalize on their Revit Structure models for steel detailing and fabrication.





# Key learning objectives

At the end of this class, you will be able to:

- Export Revit Structure model and import into Advance Steel
- Create automated steel connections between the members imported from Revit
- Generate automated fabrication drawings and NC files
- Use Sync to review and import any Revit changes into Advance Steel or validate an Advance Steel model in Revit



# Industry Trends

- **Delivering on BIM Mandates**

AEC industry's technological change has seen exponential growth in BIM uptake. So the question is no longer "What is BIM?" The new question is "How can I leverage BIM on my projects?"

- **Maintaining a Competitive Advantage**

With the project leads now demanding that entire teams leverage BIM solutions, contractors need to find new ways to differentiate themselves from their competition and provide the best service and value to their clients.

- **Keeping Lean**

With the tough economic and competitive environment and these new working practices to tackle, the challenge to effectively advance lean production and processes to increase profitability is difficult to address.

- **Collaborating Effectively**

As BIM centres on collaboration, successful teams need to be equipped to deal with it. With greater project requirements, it's become even more challenging to maximize efficiency by collaborating effectively.

# Current Workflow for Steel Design, Detailing, and Installation

Design

Detailing and Fabrication

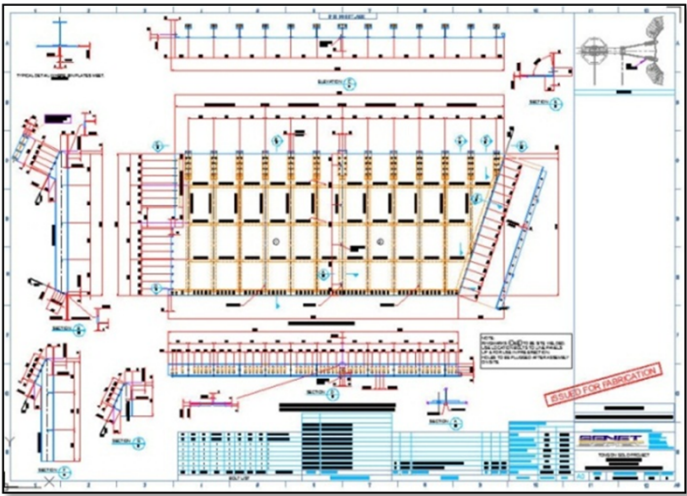
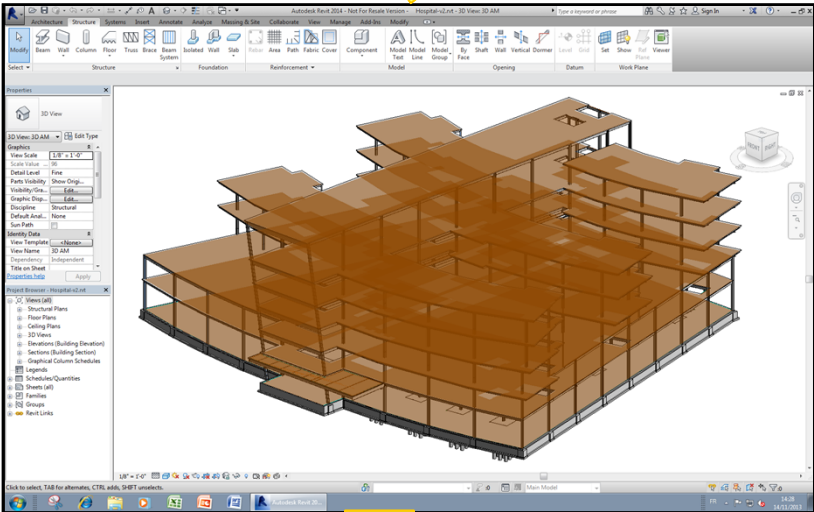
Construction

Revit Structure

Tekla / Pro Steel

Navisworks / Glue / Field / Point  
Layout for Total Station Export

Data Loss/Hard to Compare



IFC Export  
No Intelligent Sync

CIS/2 / IFC Export  
No Intelligent Sync





**So what's the Solution???**



# The Solution is...

- A workflow in which we have a single unified model from design to documentation
- Project complexity will reduce
- Interoperability will avoid errors and redundancies
- Result in improved productivity
- Better project coordination



# Preferred Workflow for Steel Design, Detailing and Installation

Design

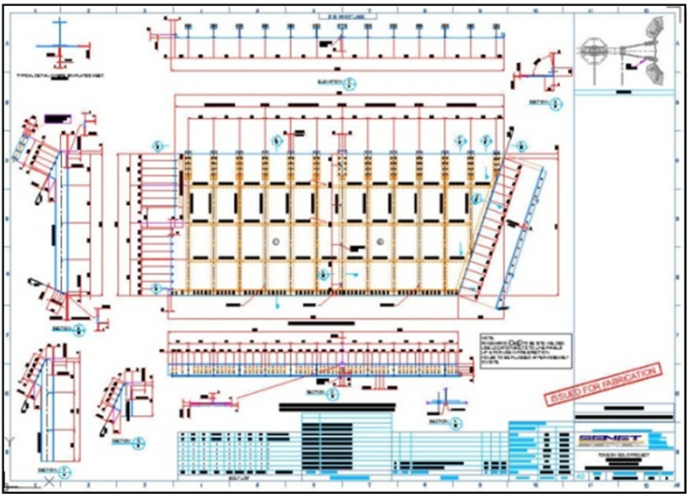
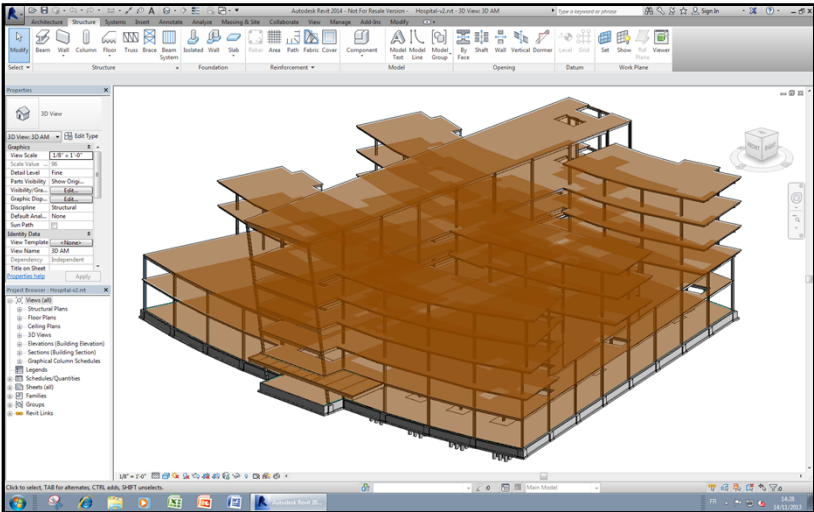
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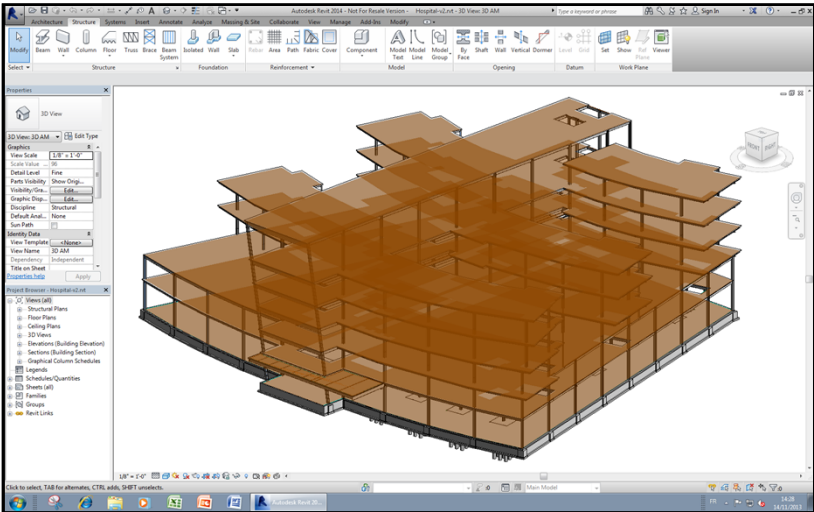
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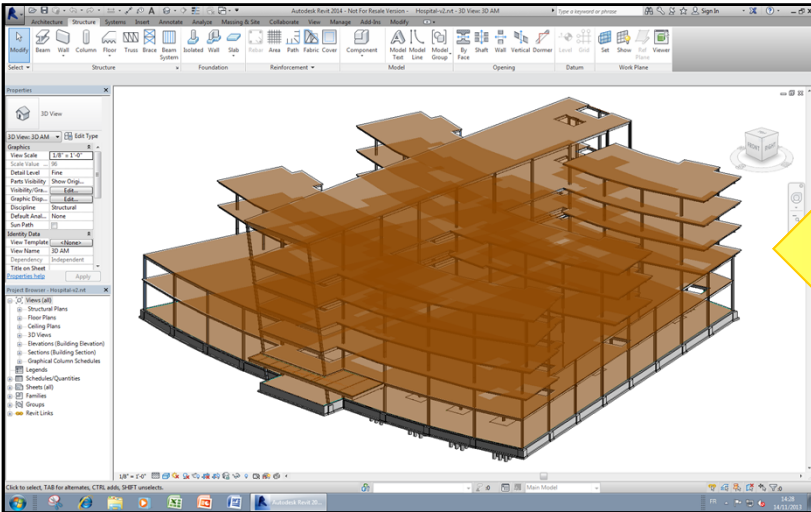




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# Autodesk Advance Steel

Advance Steel is a software specifically designed for structural engineers and steel detailers who need an easy-to use steel detailing application.

- Allows Bi-directional data interoperability with Autodesk Revit Structure
- Automates the creation of complex structural models and connections that would be too tedious to manually model
- Increases productivity during the creation of construction detailing and documentation drawings, bills of material (BOMs) and reports



# Autodesk Advance Steel Key Features

- Bidirectional Link with Autodesk Revit
- Intelligent Structural Objects
- Parametric Steel Connections
- Extremely Smart Detailing and Documentation Tools
- Bill of Materials and Reports Generation
- NC/DSTV File Generation
- Document Management and Revision Control




# Leveraging Autodesk Revit Model (BIM Data) for Steel Detailing



# Advance Steel Plugin for Autodesk Revit



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## Advance Steel 2017 Extension

Autodesk, Inc.

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### Description

With Advance Steel 2017 Extension, Autodesk® Revit® 2017 users can quickly connect their models to Advance Steel 2017 using the export, import and synchronize functionalities to transfer the model BIM data in LOD350 for Structural Steel. This interoperability helps users to more rapidly produce general arrangement drawings, fabrication drawings, BOMs, and NC files for steel structures. Using synchronization of BIM data between applications users can update the modifications without having to reimport the entire structure. Synchronization also reduces the risk of potential errors by offering the possibility to track changes made on the same model in different applications.

Using Advance Steel 2017 Extension, the BIM data from the Revit model can be imported or exported also in other formats such as SDNF (Version 2.0 and Version 3.0), CIS2 and PSS.

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Autodesk Revit  
Version: 2017

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# Live Demo

# Importing Advance Steel Connections into Autodesk Revit



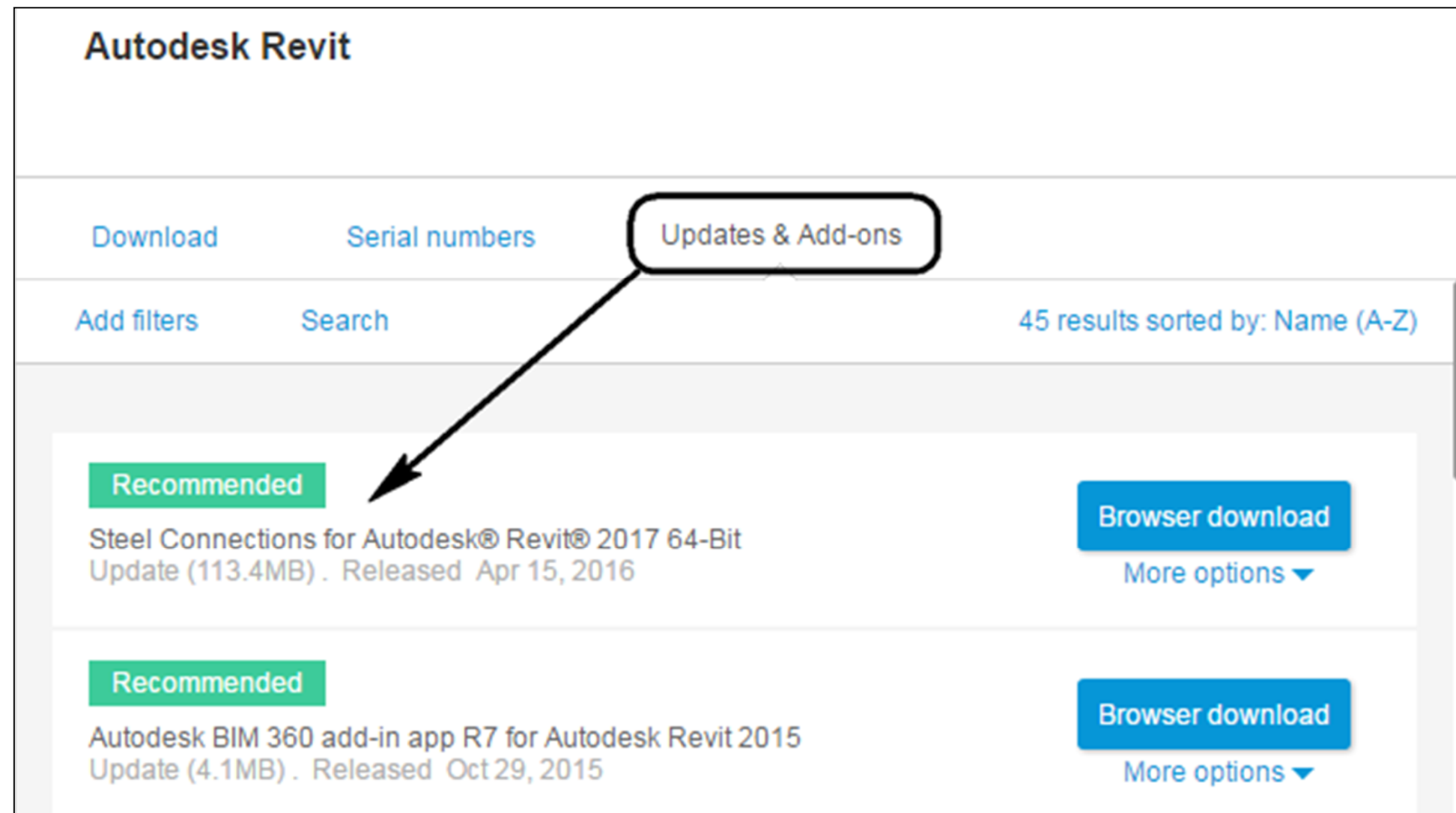
# Importing Advance Steel Connections into the Autodesk Revit Model (*for LOD 400 or above Jobs*)

- Structural Engineer working on LOD 400 or above jobs need to deliver fabrication level structural model.
- Especially, the projects in high seismic regions require the structural engineer of record to be involved in the connection designs and to give guidance to the fabricator.
- Generally the structural detailers working under the fabricators are capable of working on the fabrication level model.
- There has been a shift in this industry and now certain structural engineers are starting to deliver the LOD 400 model.
- Autodesk Revit 2017 allows you to create steel connections inside Revit. Alternatively, you can import the structural connections from Advance Steel straight into Autodesk Revit.

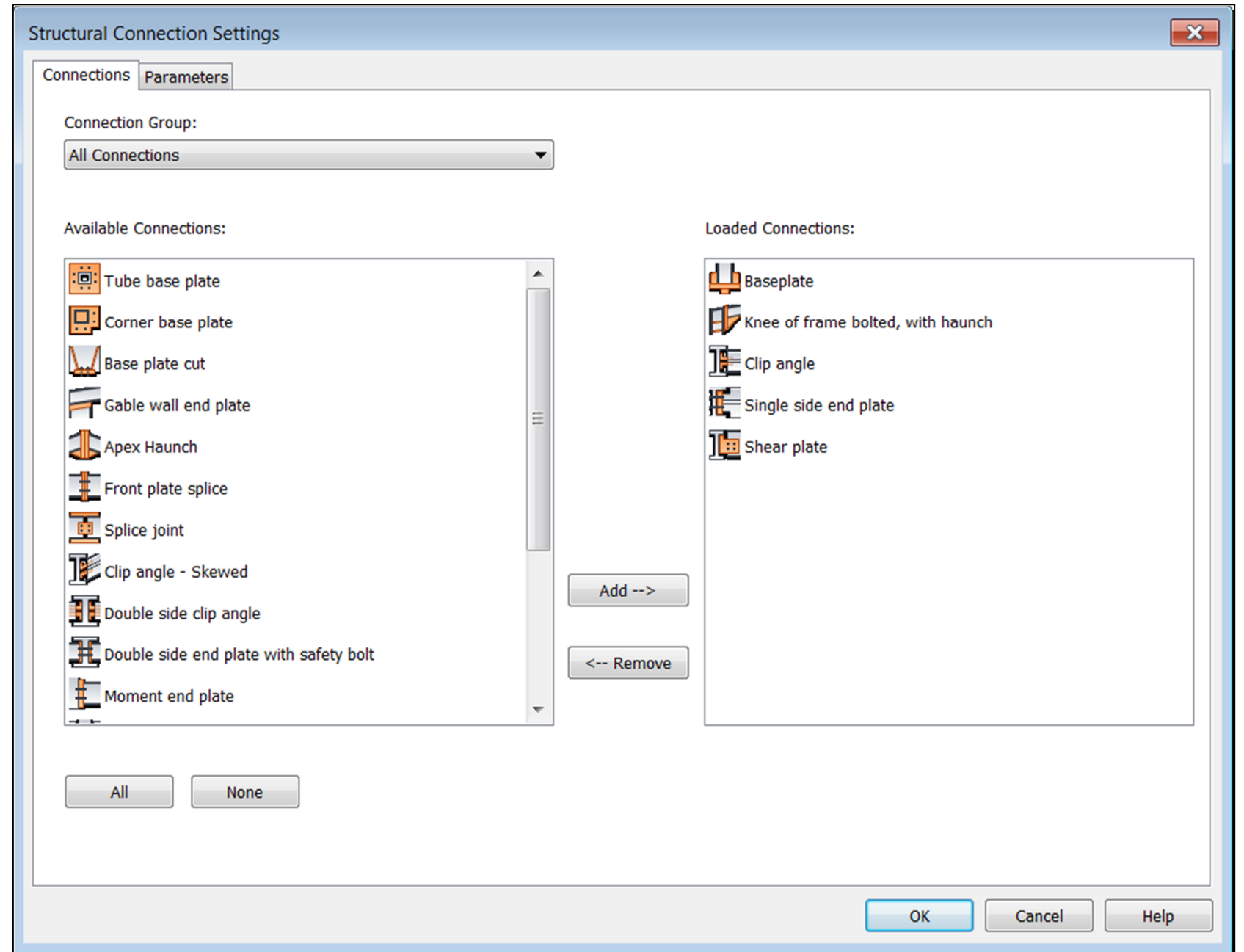
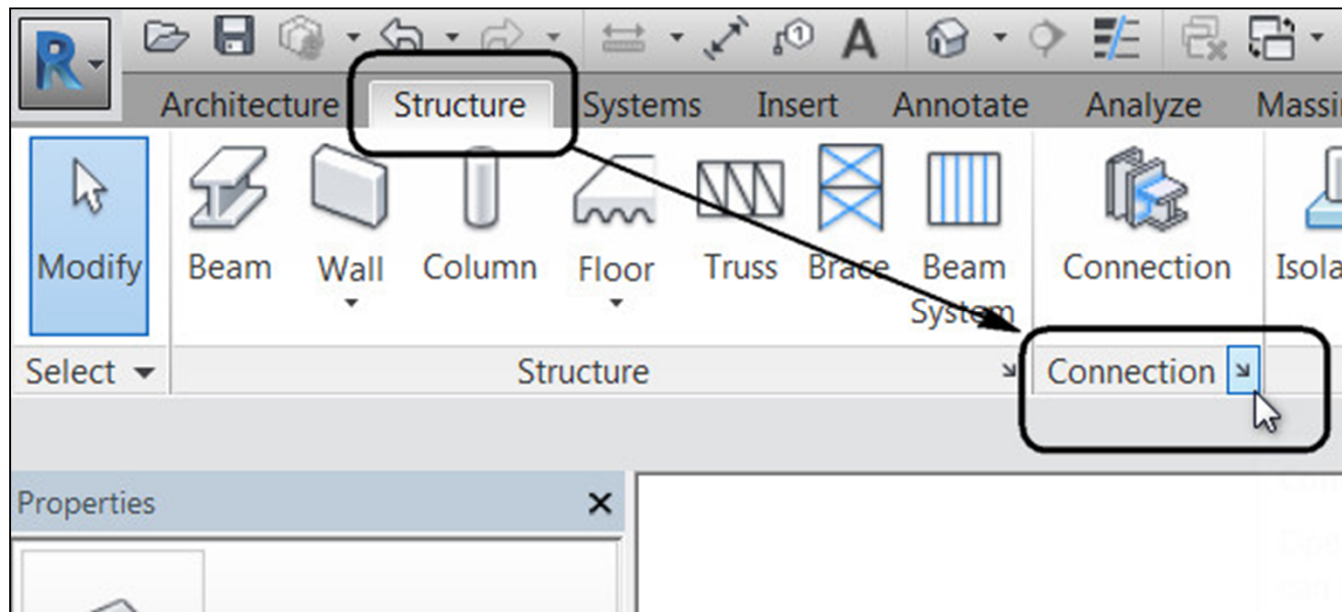


# Steel Connection Add-In for Autodesk Revit

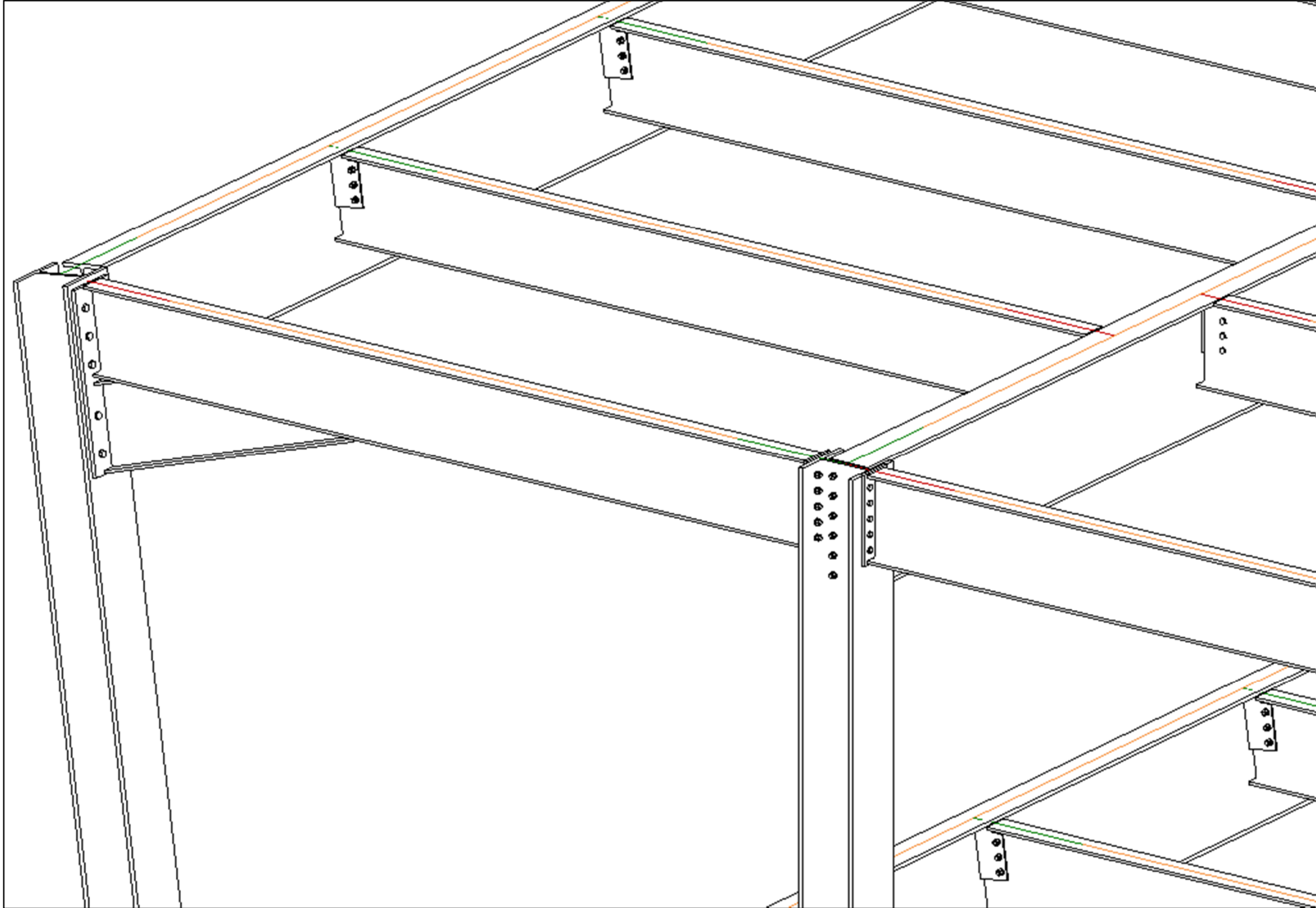
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# Live Demo

**Now the goodies...**

**VR Yayyyy!!!**  
**Lets put the goggles on**





