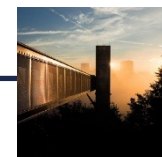
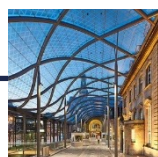
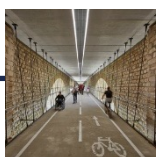


OA14: DESIGN CHOICES AND CHALLENGES



PRESENTATION STEEL BRIDGES SYMPOSIUM PRAGUE

Septembre 2024



WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO

ABOUT INCA

INCA Ingénieurs Conseils Associés S.à r.l.

- Established in 1991 (Gehl Jacoby & Associés)
- Rebranded INCA Ingénieurs Conseils Associés in 2006
- Team INCA : 8 partners, 140 multilingual experienced professionals



Our office in Niederanven (LU)



SUPERSTRUCTURES

- Residential, commercial, schools, leisure and industrial construction

INFRASTRUCTURES

- Bridge design
- Road and Railway engineering
- Flood risk management

PROJET MAGEMENT

- Planning
- Construction Management
- Quantity surveying

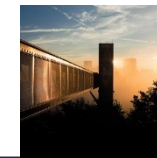
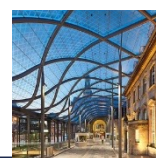
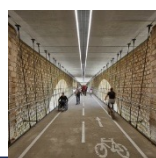
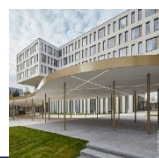
WORKS MANAGEMENT AND SUPERVISION

BUILDING PHYSICS

- Acoustics
- Thermal
- Fire safety

ENVIRONNEMENT

- Biotope studies
- Compensation measures



PROJETS

 EXEMPLES OF BRIDGES



REPLACING ROAD DECK OA498 & OA499
Insenborn - Lultzhausen



FOOTBRIDGE « PA1 »
Bettembourg station



FOOTBRIDGE
Bissen



FOOTBRIDGE + PLATFORM CANOPY
Luxembourg station



FOOTBRIDGE UNDER ADOLPHE'S BRIDGE
Luxembourg-Centre



RAILVIADUC FOR HIGH SPEED TRAIN
Rohrbach (France) – LGV Est

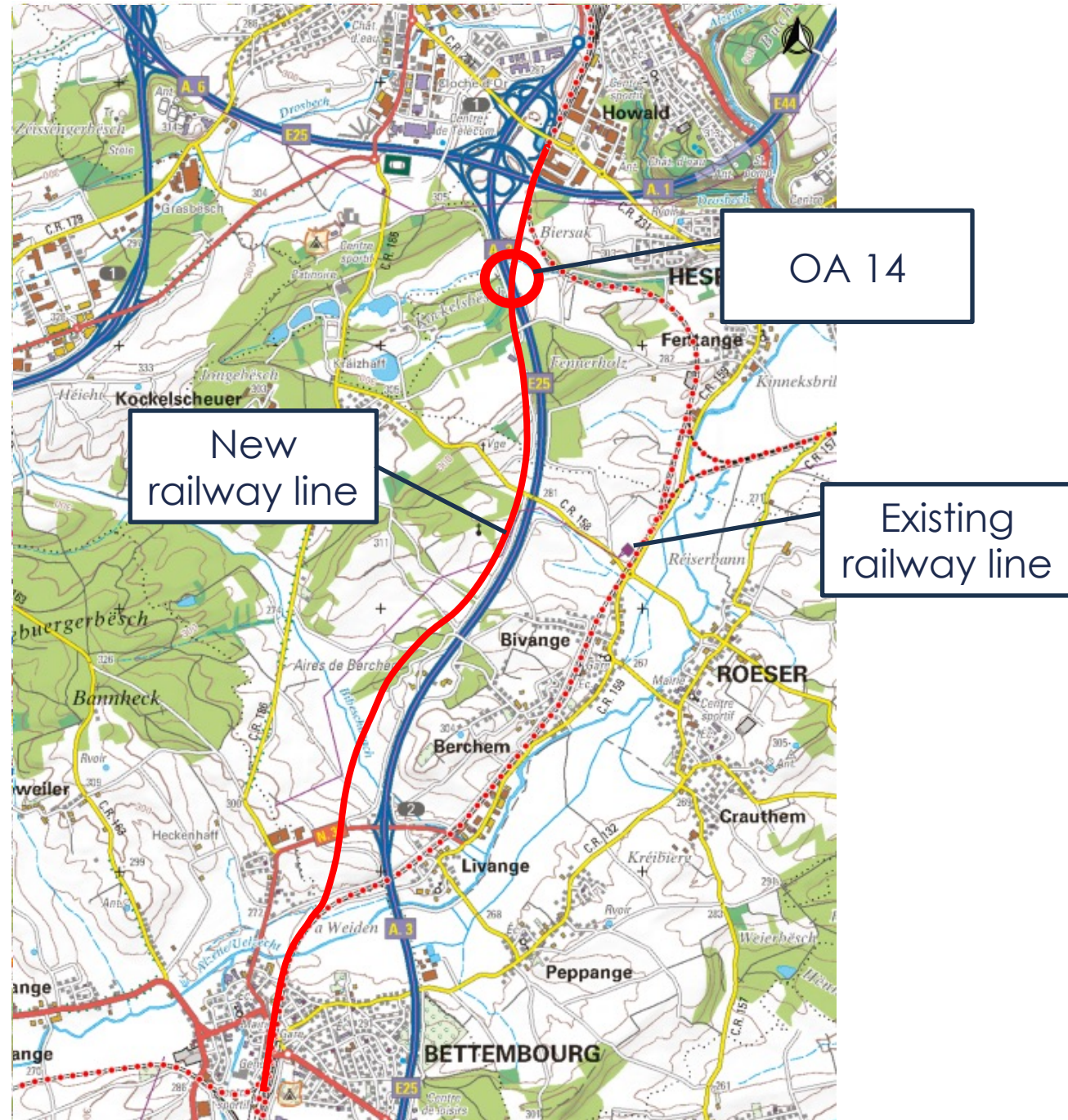


RAILBRIDGE « OA14 » OVER A3
Bettembourg - Luxembourg



OA401 – BORDER BRIDGE OVER MOSEL
Grevenmacher

PATH OF NBS (NEUBAUSTRECKEN – NEW RAILWAY LINE)



GEOMETRIC CONSTRAINS AND CONSIDERATION

BASIC INPUTS

CONSTRAIN OF THE MOTORWAY:

- Free span of the motorway: 46,0 m
- Clearance height: 5,0 m
- No closure of the highway during construction (except a single weekend for installation)

OUTPUTS

- COUPE PERPENDICULAIRE A L'AUTOROUTE / HYPOTHESE POUR ELARGISSEMENT AUTOROUTE -

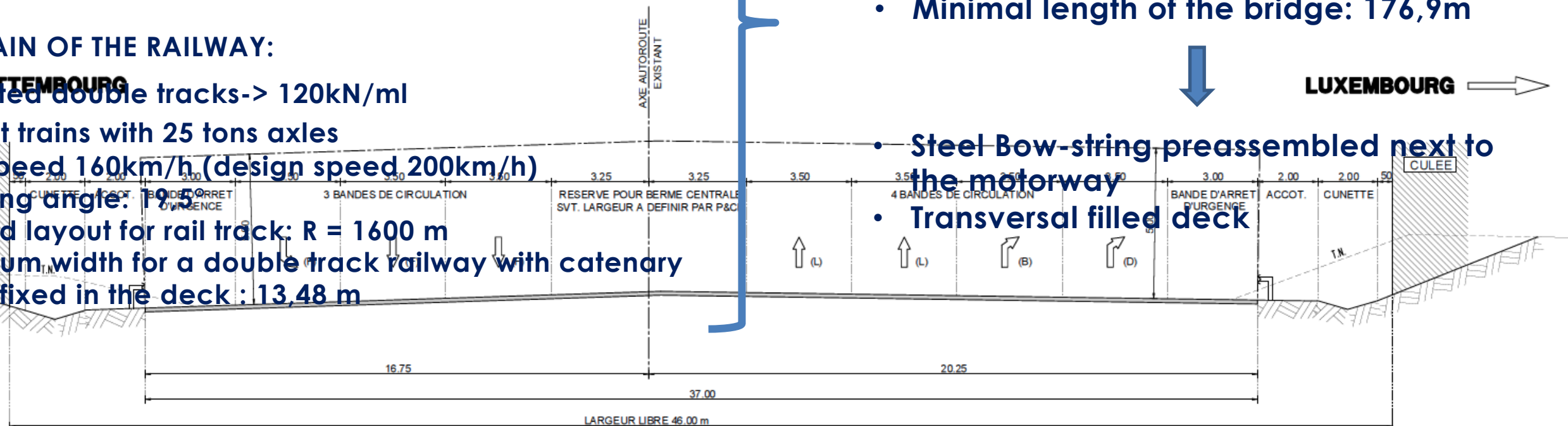
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CONSTRAIN OF THE RAILWAY:

- **BETTEMBOURG** ← Ballasted double tracks → 120kN/ml
- Freight trains with 25 tons axles
- Line speed 160km/h (design speed 200km/h)
- Crossing angle: 19,5°
- Curved layout for rail track: R = 1600 m
- Minimum width for a double track railway with catenary poles fixed in the deck : 13,48 m

- Maximal thickness of the deck: 93 cm
- Minimal length of the bridge: 176,9m

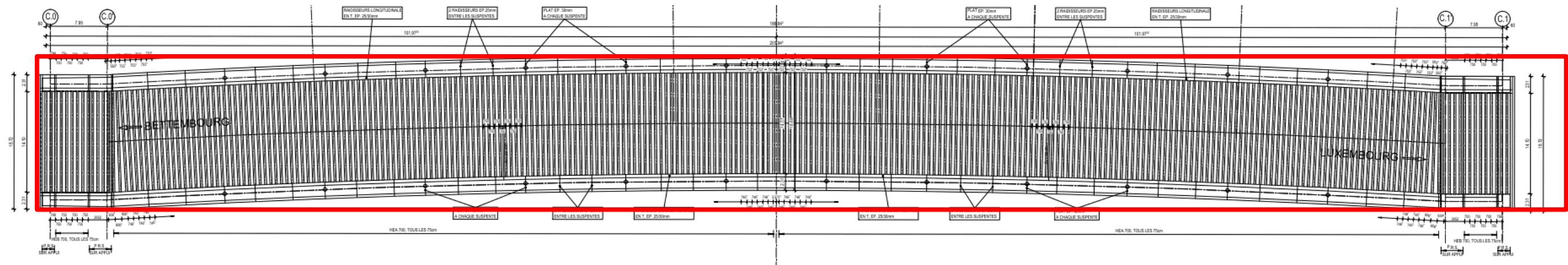
- Steel Bow-string preassembled next to the motorway
- Transversal filled deck



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1) Straight deck or curved deck?

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- With a straight deck, the surface area of the deck increases from 2900m² to 3600m² -> +24% and the field moment then increases by 35%

-> CURVED DECK

OA14: DESIGN CHOICES AND CHALLENGES

1) ~~Straight deck or~~ Curved deck

2) Hangers:

- Solid bars?
- Cables?
- Hollow Tubes?

2. Hangers

- Solid bar hangers type DIN-Fachbericht 103 §II-H.2 -> $N_{rd,max}$ = limit to 7440 kN and problem for butt welds
- Cable hangers -> at least 37strand, Need to re-tension them after concreting the slab, Motorway gauge to be respected, Consequence of creep to be controlled
- Tube
 - PRO: Significant vertical stiffness
 - PRO: "Easy" Butt welds



- CONS: Fatigue detail to be studied
- CONS: Joint moments to master
- CONS: Resonance with the wind

Hollow tubes

- Diameter: 457mm
- Thickness: 40 mm
- Quality of steel: S450H



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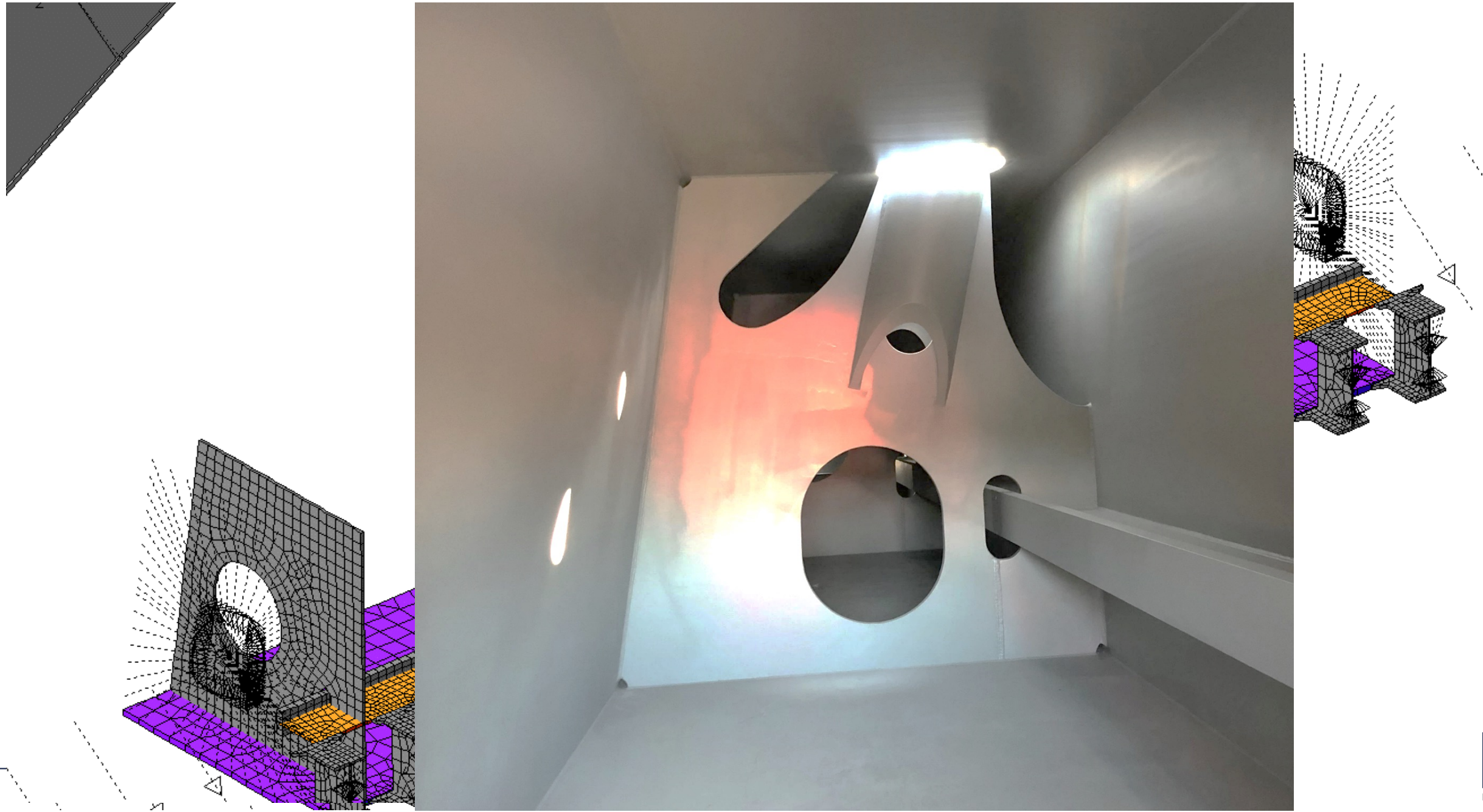
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- ~~Cables?~~
- Hollow Tubes?



Hanger – girder connection: design and fatigue study

Hangers: Fatigue Studies of type of joint



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Wind-induced vibrations

Hangers: vibration with wind



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EUROPEAN STANDARD
NORME EUROPÉENNE
EUROPÄISCHE NORM

EN 1990:2002/A1

December 2005

ICS 91.010.30

English Version

Eurocode - Basis of structural design

Eurocode - Bases de calcul des structures

Eurocode - Grundlagen der Tragwerksplanung

A2.4.4.2.4 Transverse deformation and vibration of the deck

(3) The first natural frequency of lateral vibration of a span should not be less than f_{h0} .

NOTE The value for f_{h0} may be defined in the National Annex. The recommended value is:
 $f_{h0} = 1,2$ Hz.



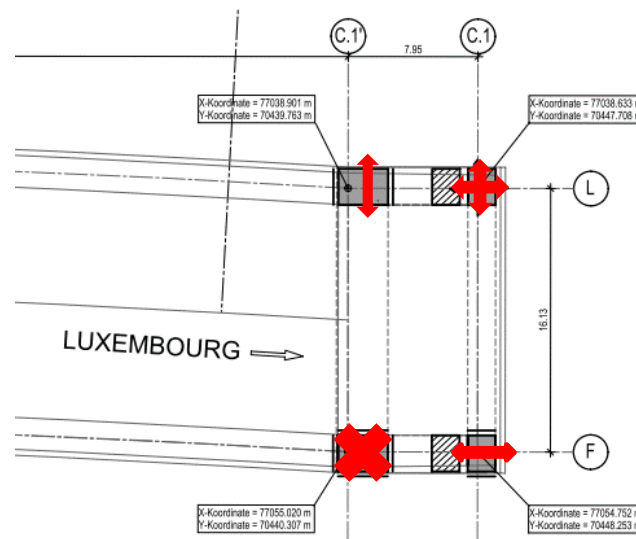
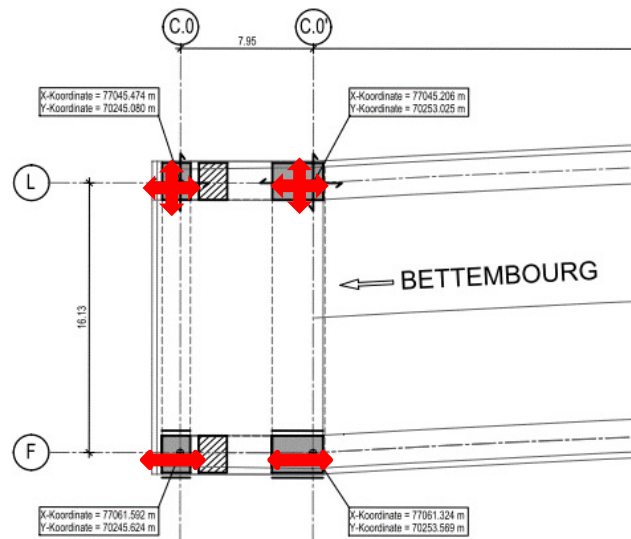
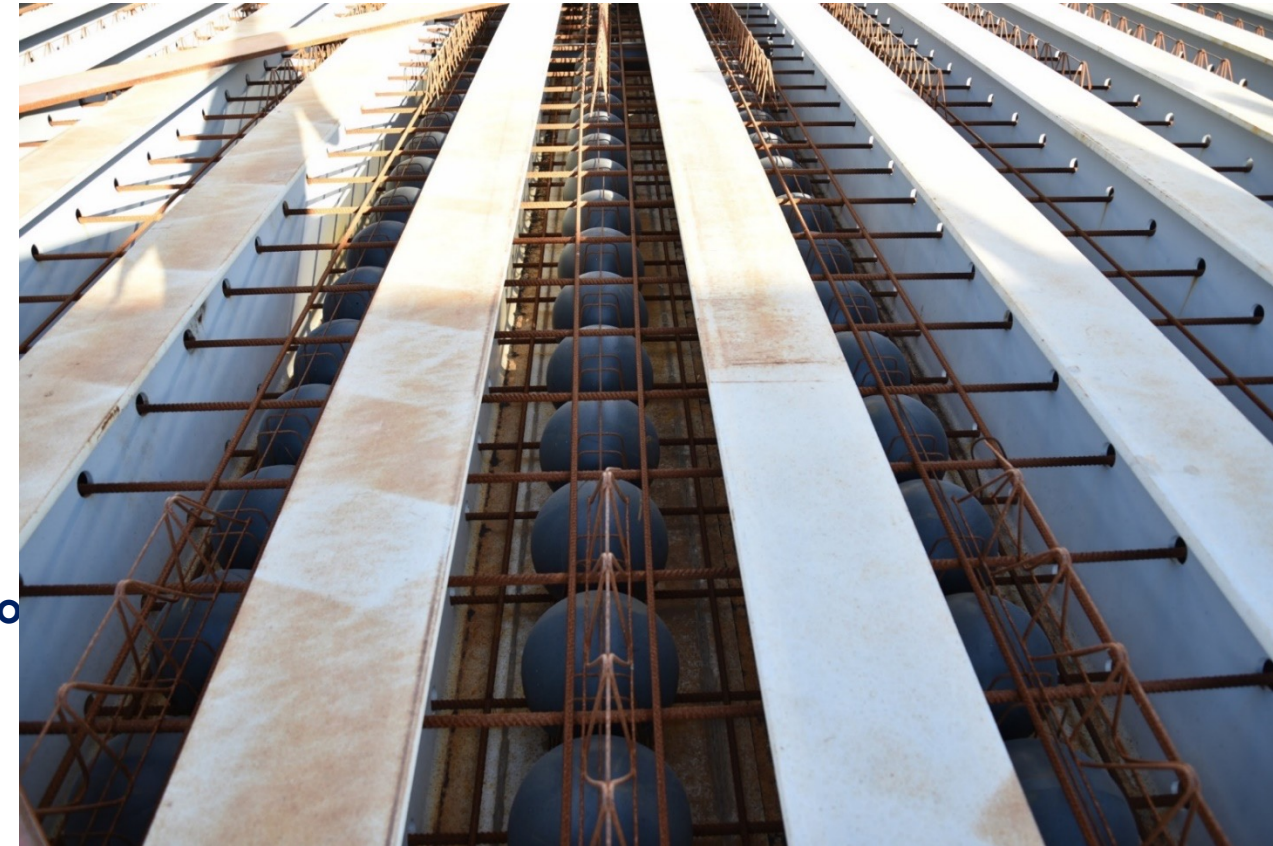
Model lateral bending frequency: 0.74Hz!

3. Supports ?

(5) The fundamental vertical bending frequency $n_{1,B}$ of a plate or box girder bridge may be approximately derived from Expression (F.6).

$$n_{1,B} = \frac{K^2}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot L^2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{EI_b}{m}} \quad (\text{F.6})$$

- **Increase stiffness -> Reinforce tie rods? Not sufficient**
- **Reduce mass -> - Steel deck? Problems with acceleration when trains crossing**
- **Reduce mass -> - Lightweight concrete + Cobiax®**
- **Reduce span -> Embedded abutments -> duplicate supports**



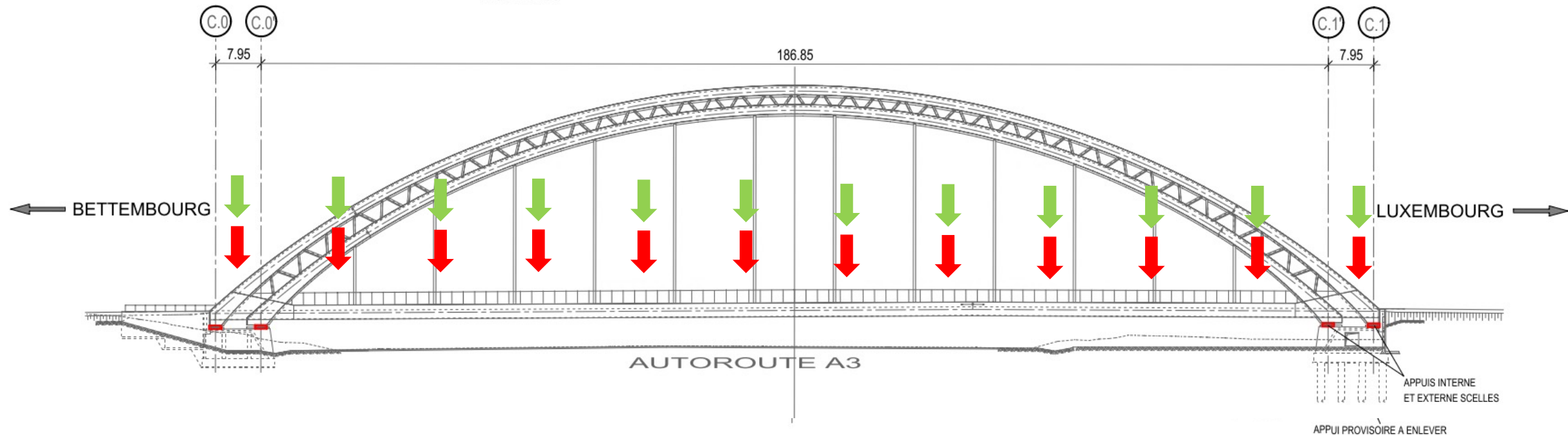
- **Enormous clamping forces**
- **Problem of uplifting of external supports**

Sequencing of installation

- Steel frame weight: 5600 ton → On external supports
- Concrete weight: 4450 ton } Largely on internal supports
- Weight of the railway structure: 2950 ton }

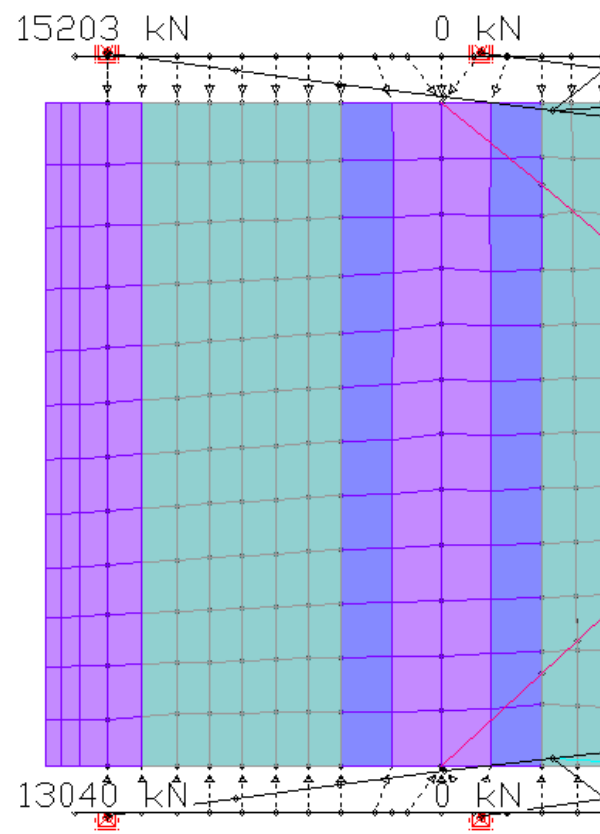
- ELEVATION OUVRAGE - SUR APPUIS DEFINITIFS
(AVANT BETONNAGE ET EN SITUATION PERMANENTE)

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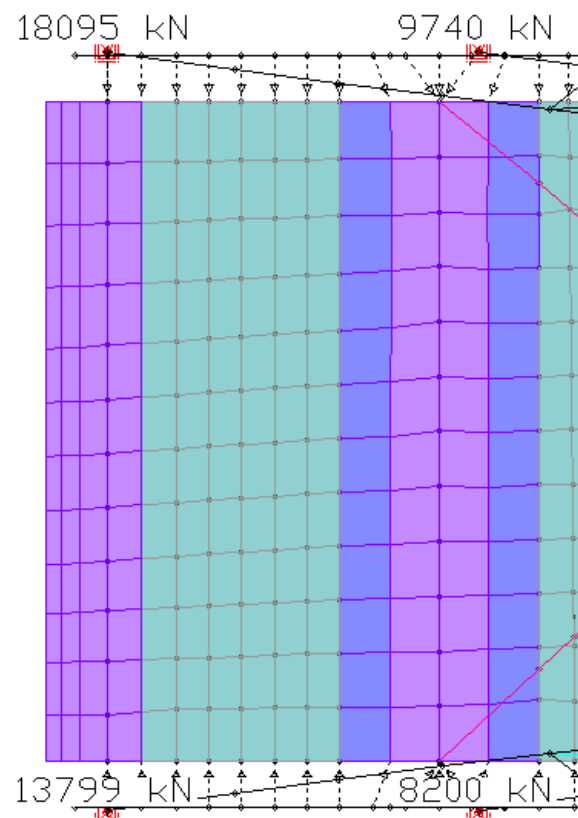
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After installation of the framework



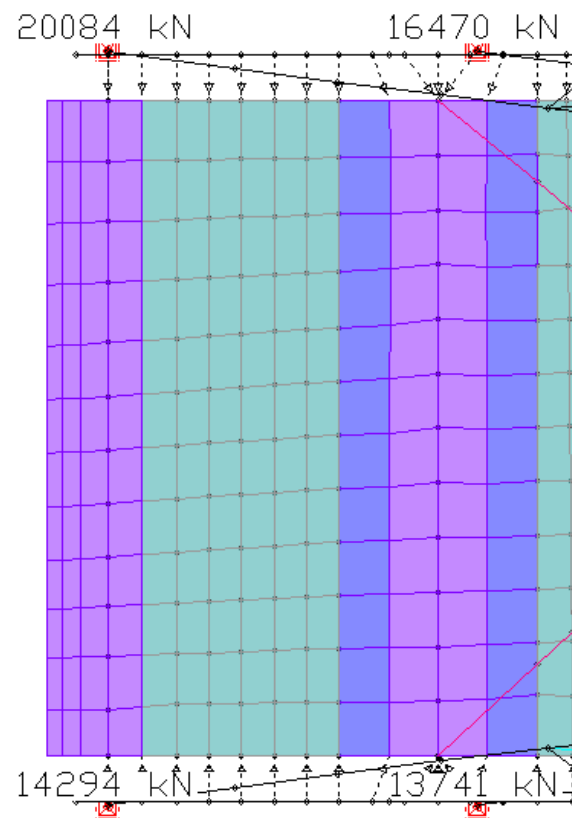
LC 4: redistribution acier + équipements
 Support reactions in the system of the support lines $Rz(l)$, 0,06 [kN/m] = \longleftarrow
 Sum in the global system $Rz(g)$ = 56486,72 [kN]

After concreting



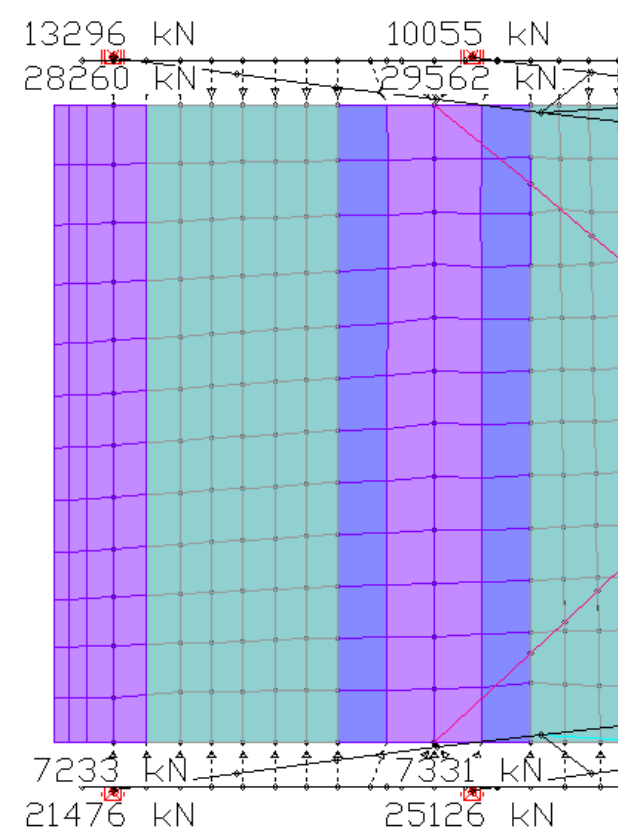
LC 2000: STRUCTURE
 Support reactions in the system of the support lines $Rz(l)$, 0,06 [kN/m] = \longleftarrow
 Sum in the global system $Rz(g)$ = 99667,73 [kN]

Permanent



LC 17: PERM
 Support reactions in the system of the support lines $Rz(l)$, 0,06 [kN/m] = \longleftarrow
 Sum in the global system $Rz(g)$ = 129180,16 [kN]

SLS Fréquent



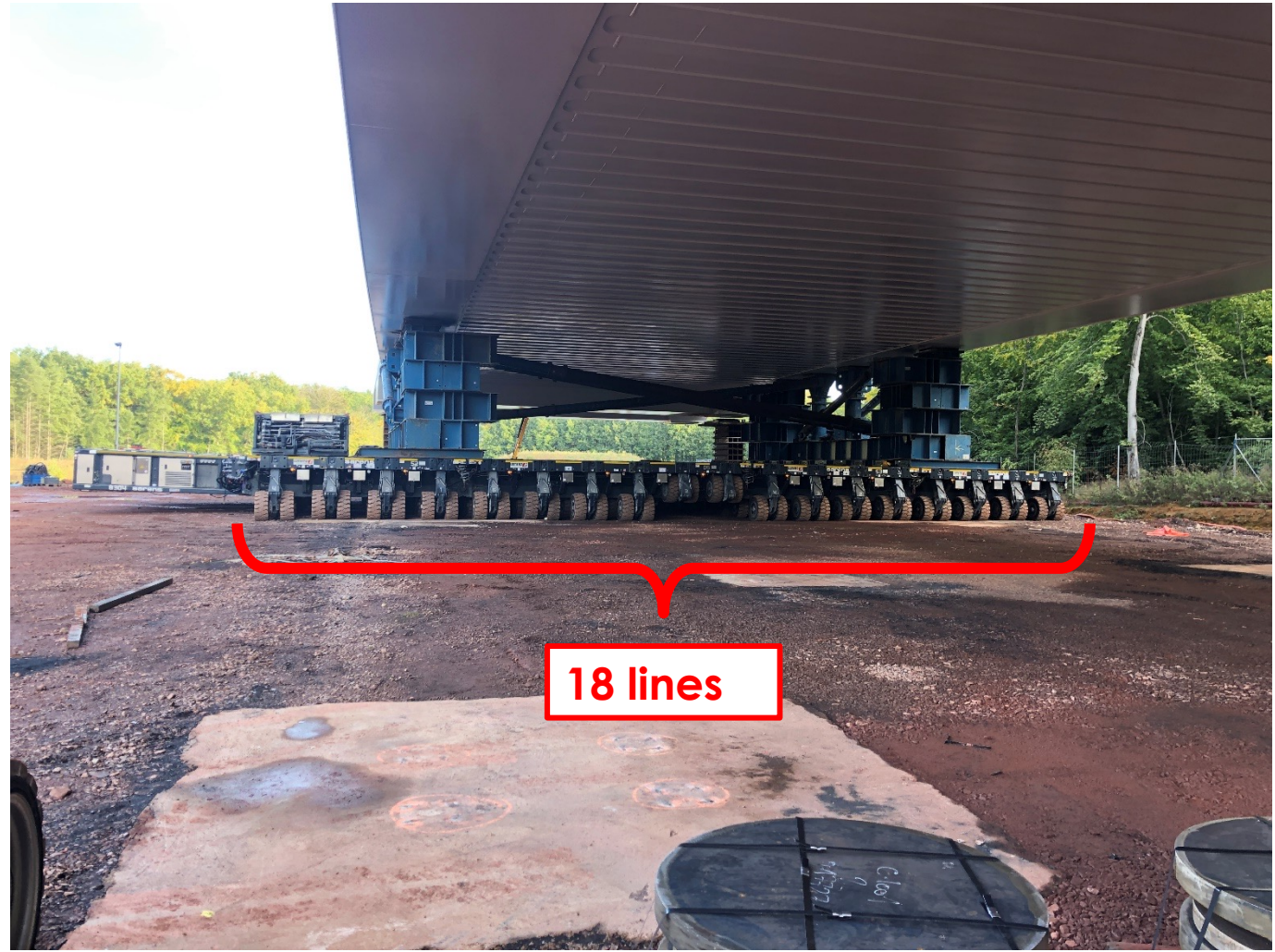
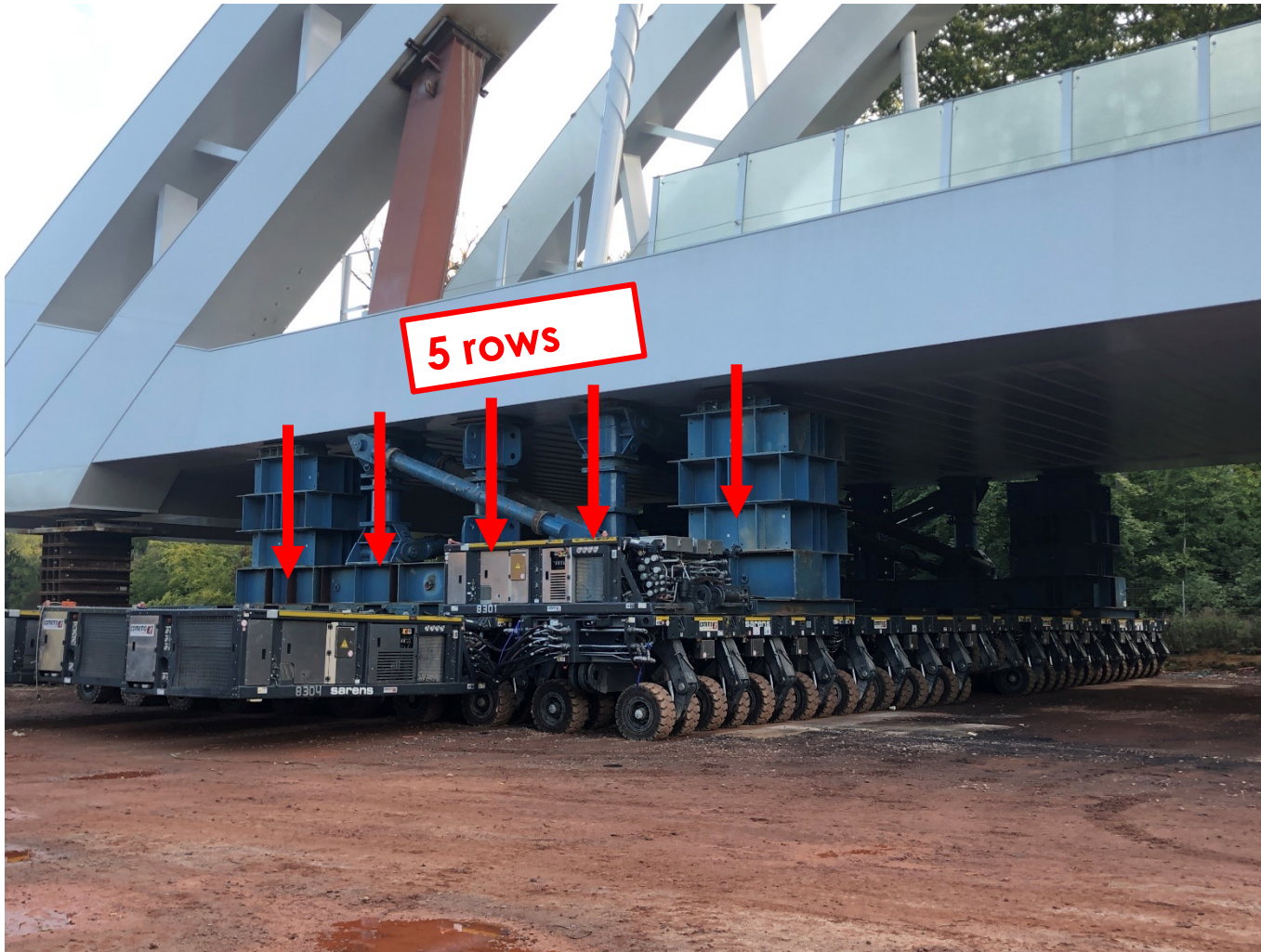
LCC 230: ELSF
 Support reactions in the system of the support lines min,max $Rz(l)$, 0,06 [kN/m] = \longleftarrow

Juin 2021 – Juillet 2022:

ON-SITE ASSEMBLY



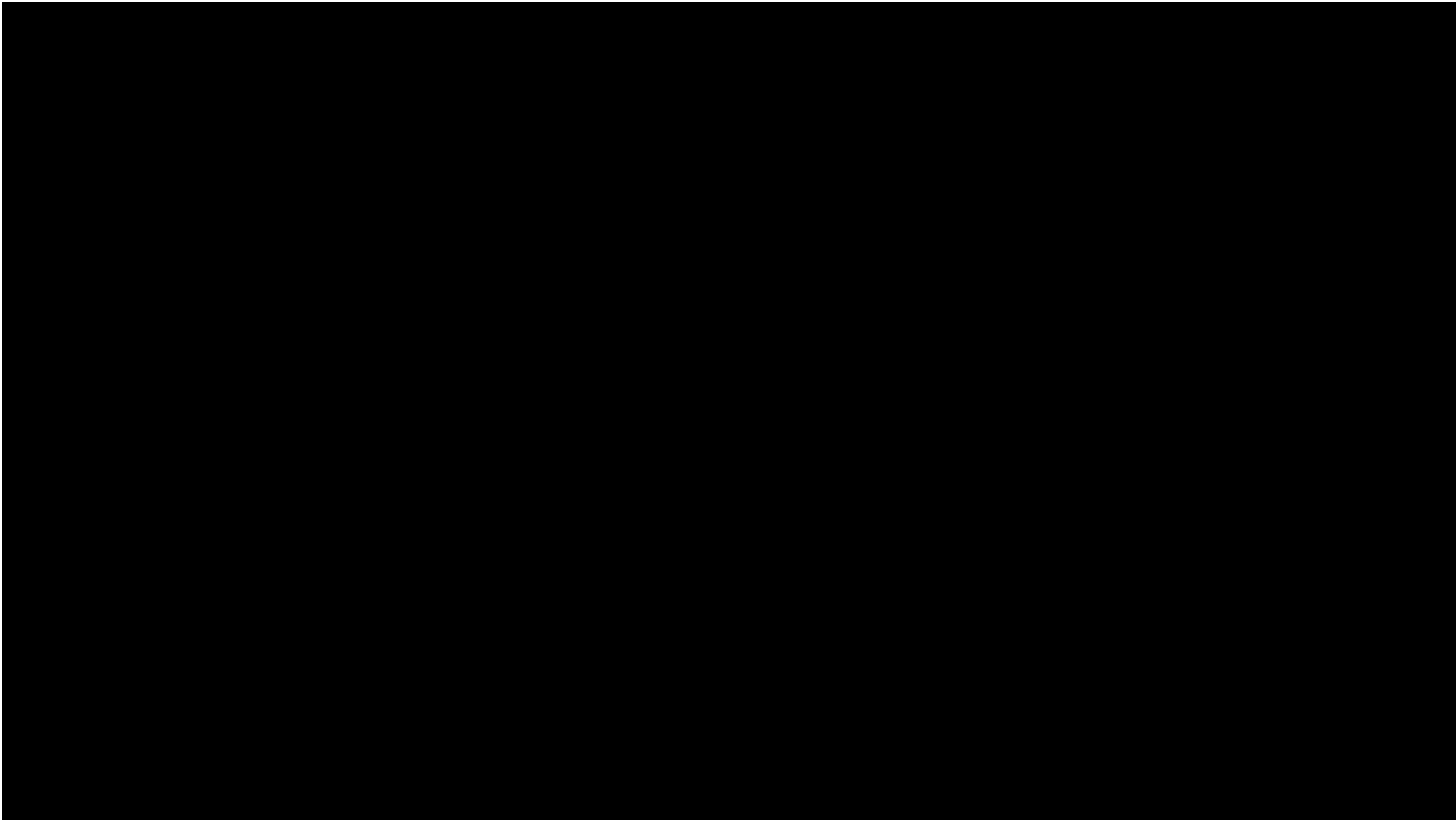
Lifting with SPMT



Total of 180 axle's lines

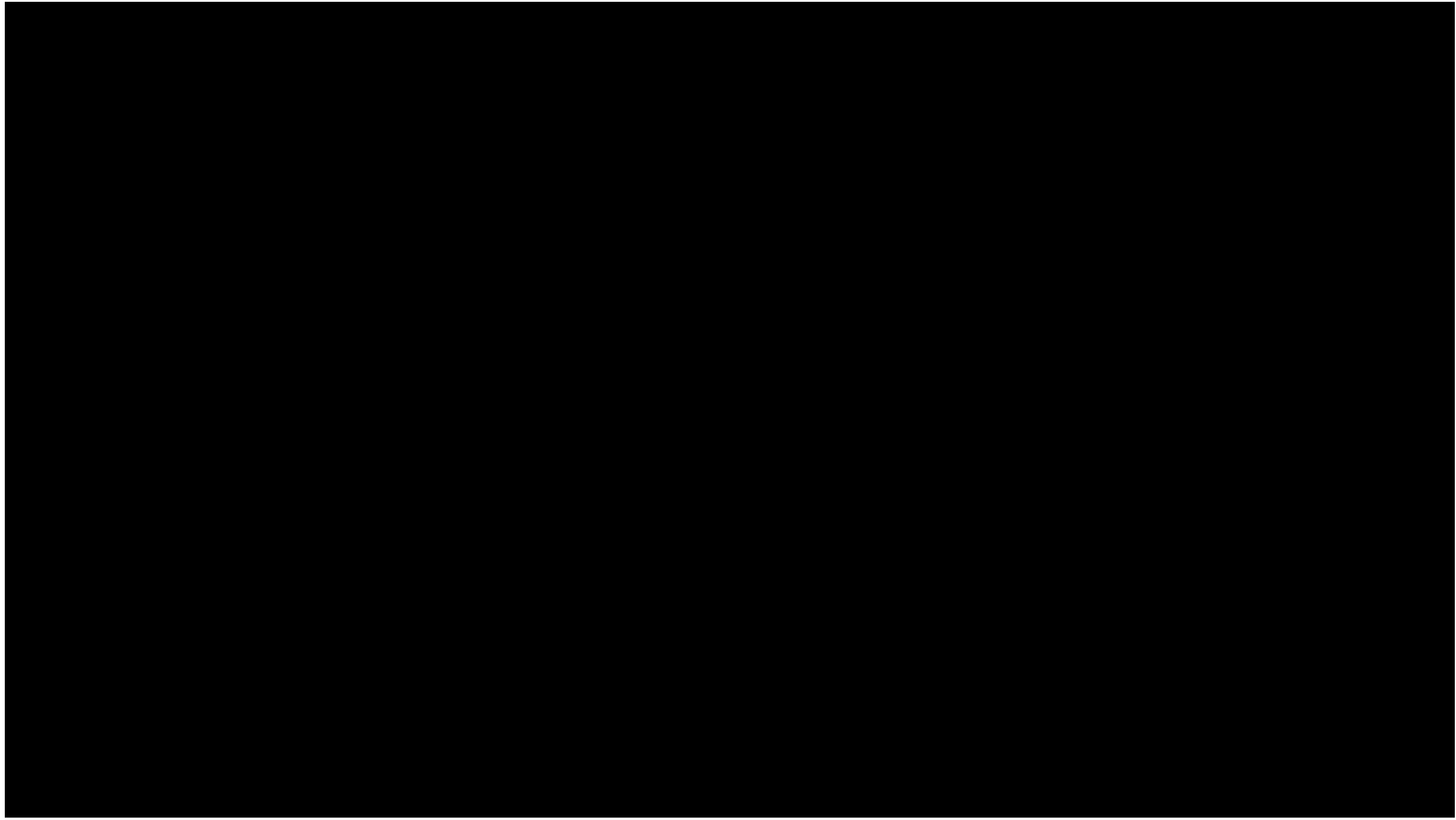
07-08 October 2022:

INSTALLATION OF THE STRUCTURE



24 August 2023:

STATIC LOAD TEST





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