

Diagnostics of prestressed ropes after multiannual operation – SNP Bridge, Bratislava, Slovakia

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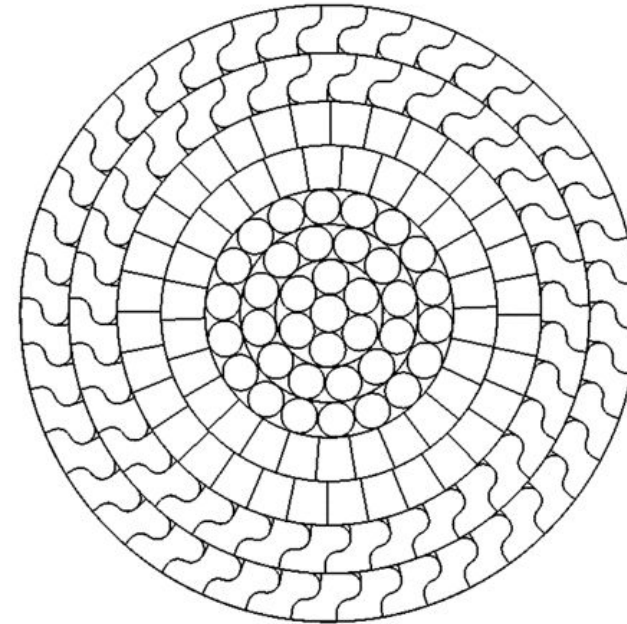
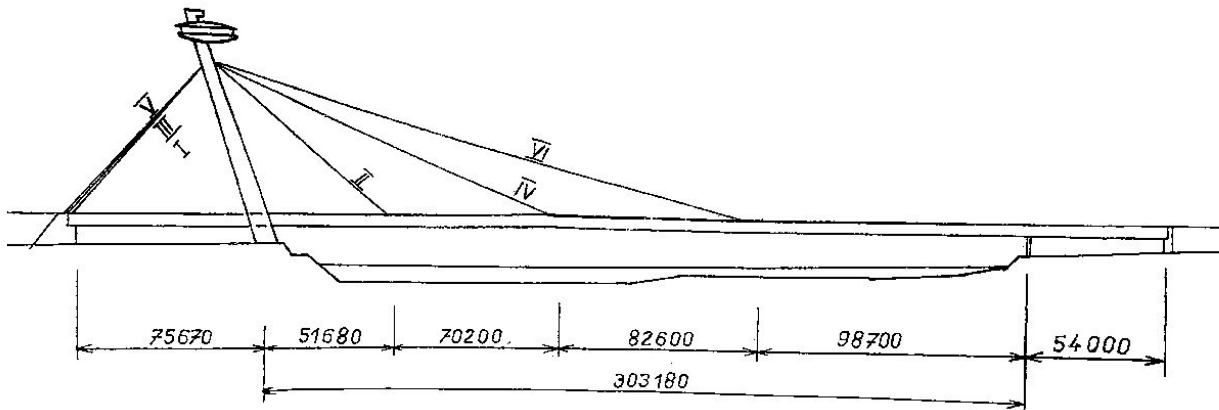
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- SNP Bridge in Bratislava, Slovakia
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- Cable tension estimation
- Rope tension estimation
- FEM Simulation of a rope
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SNP BRIDGE BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA



ROPE CROSS-SECTION

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION - SPECTROMETRY



BELEC Compact Port HLC
MASS SPECTROMETER



ANALYSED SURFACE

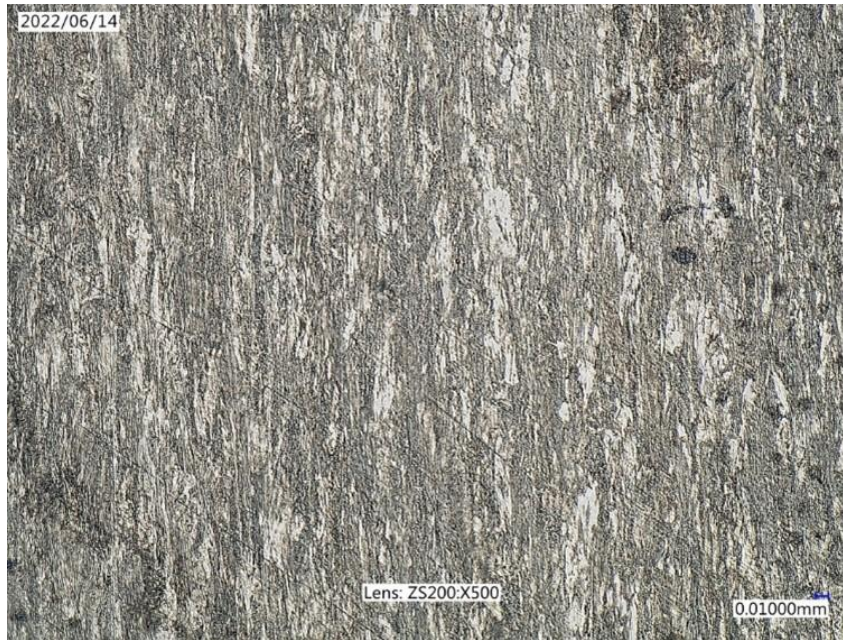
CHEMICAL ELEMENT	C (%) 0.848	Si (%) 0.269	Mn (%) 0.520	Cu (%) 0.178	Cr (%) 0.570	Mo (%) 0.105	Ni (%) 0.115
CHEMICAL ELEMENT	V (%) 0.045	Ti (%) 0.070	Co (%) 0.101	W (%) 0.12	Nb (%) 0.047	Al (%) 0.057	P, S(%) 0.05

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION OF THE ROPE

ANALYSIS OF THE MATERIAL



KEYENCE VHX 6000
MICROSCOPE



MAGNIFIED 500x



MAGNIFIED 1000x

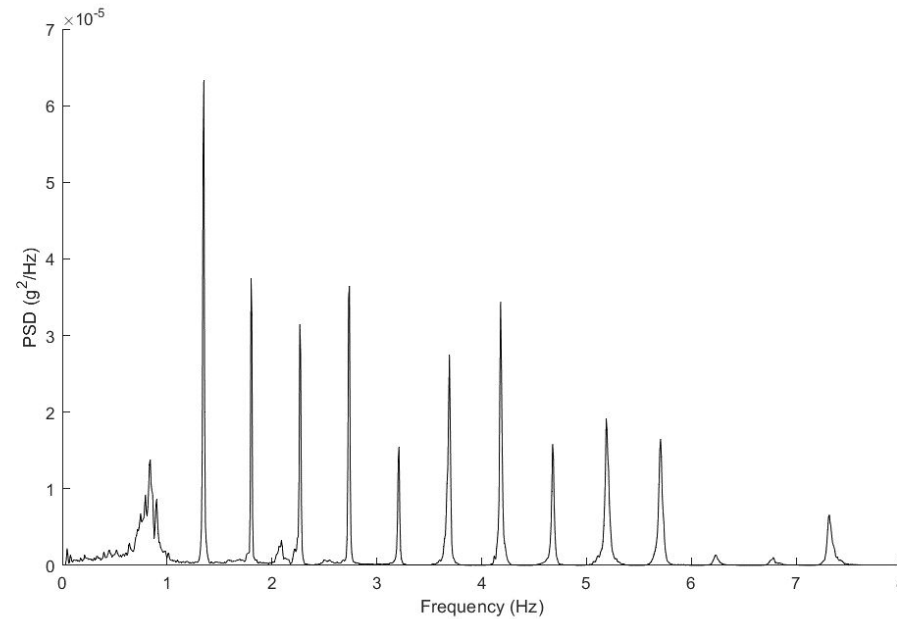
MICROSTRUCTURE OF THE ROPE

SORBITIC STRUCTURE WITH NO INVESTIGATED DEGRADATION (SEGREGATION),
PATENTED STEEL WITH ESTIMATED STRENGTH ABOUT 1370 MPa

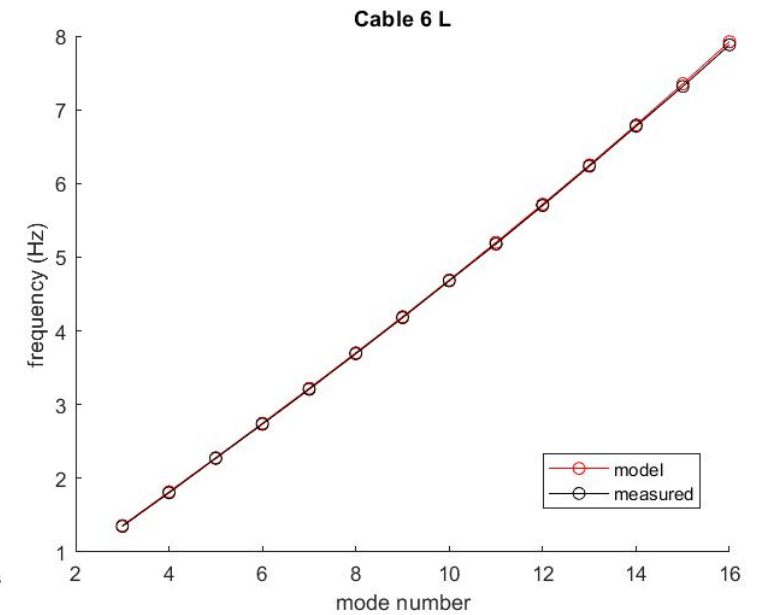
TENSION ESTIMATION by VIBRATION METHOD



MODAL SHAKER on the CABLE 6



PSD 15 MINUTE MEASUREMENT



FREQUENCY vs MODE NUMBER

TENSION ESTIMATION by VIBRATION METHOD

$$m \frac{\partial^2 y(x, t)}{\partial t^2} + EI \frac{\partial^4 y(x, t)}{\partial x^4} - T \frac{\partial^2 y(x, t)}{\partial x^2} = 0$$

STRING THEORY

$$T = 4mL^2 \left(\frac{f_n}{n} \right)^2$$

- NEGLECTS BENDING STIFFNESS
- HINGED ENDS

EULER-BERNOULI BEAM THEORY

$$T = 4mL^2 \left(\frac{f_n}{n} \right)^2 - \frac{EI}{L^2} (n\pi)^2$$

- INCLUDES BENDING STIFFNESS
- BENDING STIFFNESS IS **UNKNOWN**
- ASSUMES HINGED ENDS

FANG-WANG - PRACTICAL FORMULA

$$T = 4\pi^2 mL^2 \frac{f_n^2}{\gamma_n^2} - \frac{EI}{L^2} \gamma_n^2$$

- INCLUDES BENDING STIFFNESS
- BENDING STIFFNESS IS **UNKNOWN**
- FIXED ENDS
- [FANG, 2012]

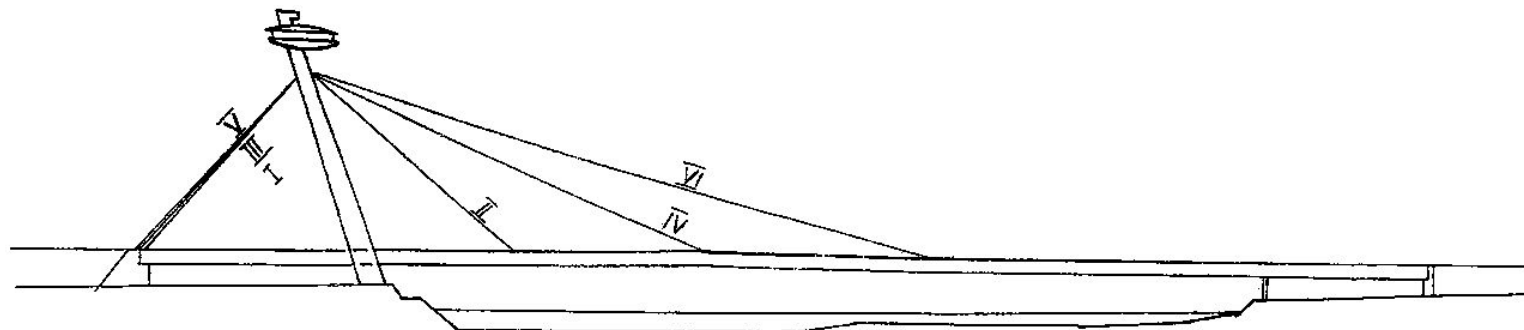
ESTIMATION OF BENDING STIFFNESS

$$f_n = \sqrt{\frac{\pi^2 EI}{4\rho AL^4} n^4 + \frac{T}{4\rho AL^2} n^2}$$

$$\min F(EI, T) = \sum_n \left\{ \left(\frac{\pi^2 EI}{4\rho AL^4} n^4 + \frac{T}{4\rho AL^2} n^2 \right) - (f_n^m)^2 \right\}^2$$

HIGHER ORDER VIBRATION METHOD [YAMAGIWA, 2000]

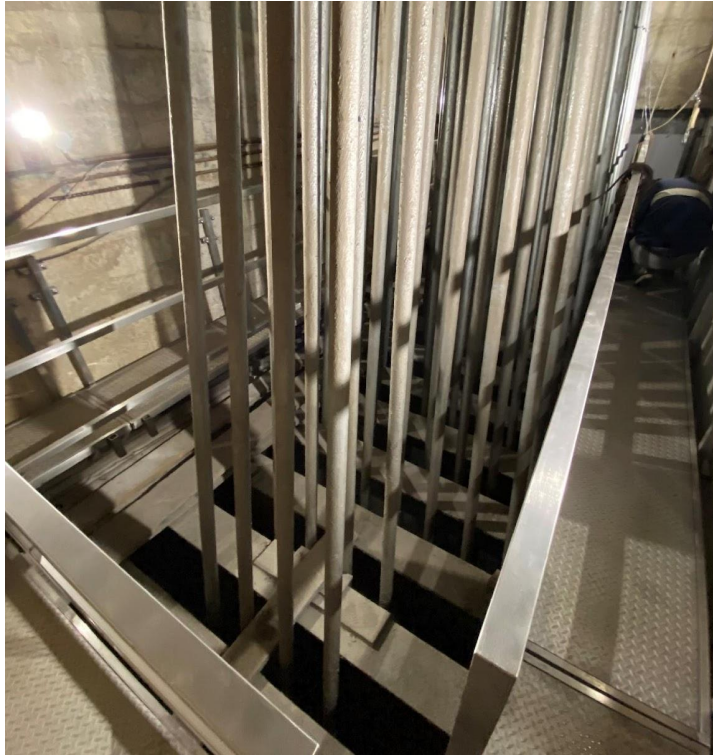
CABLE MEASUREMENTS



Cable	String Theory [MN]	Beam theory (hinged ends)[MN]	Fang (fixed ends) [MN]
1	8.904	9.0050	8.1636
2	9.290	9.0827	8.1802
3 R	16.127	15.8365	14.650
3 L	16.477	16.3023	15.014
4 R	22.201	22.3574	20.658
4 L	22.579	22.3574	20.868
5 L	25.342	24.8416	21.562
6 R	21.632	21.6588	20.222
6 L	21.632	21.6588	20.222

ESTIMATED TENSION FORCES

ROPE MEASUREMENTS

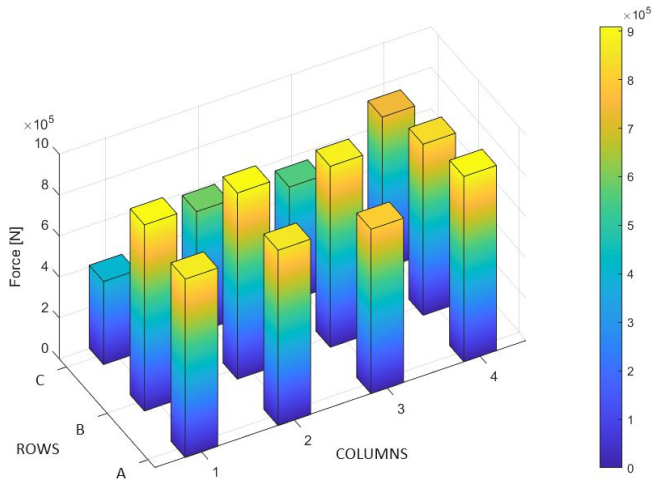


ANCHORING CHAMBER

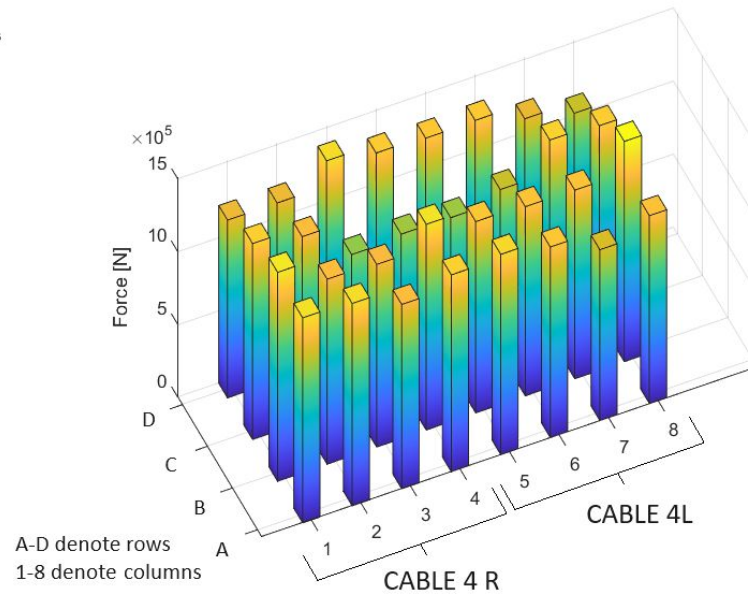


ACCELEROMETERS on ROPES

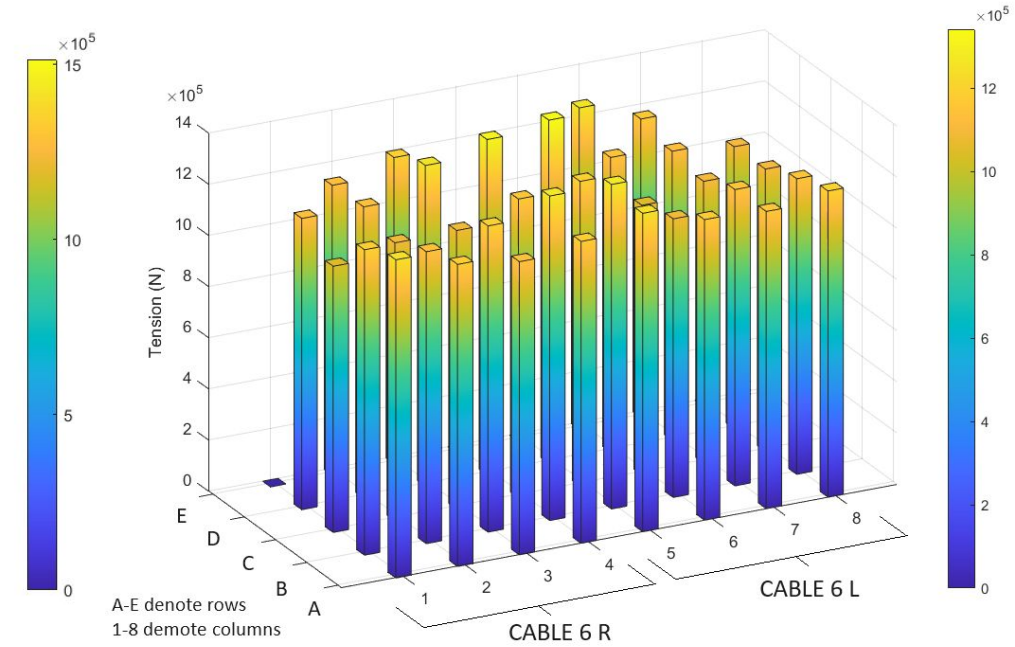
ROPE MEASUREMENTS - TENSION DISTRIBUTION



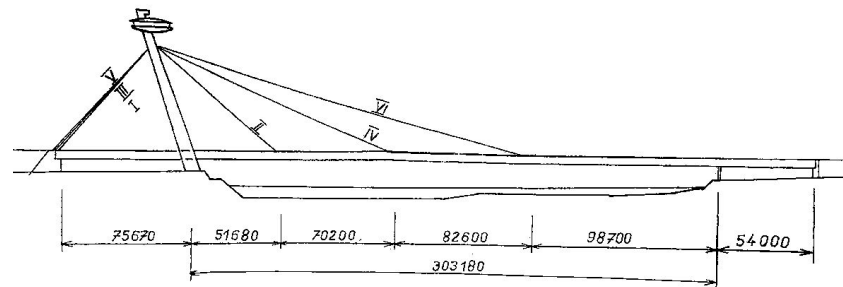
CABLE 2



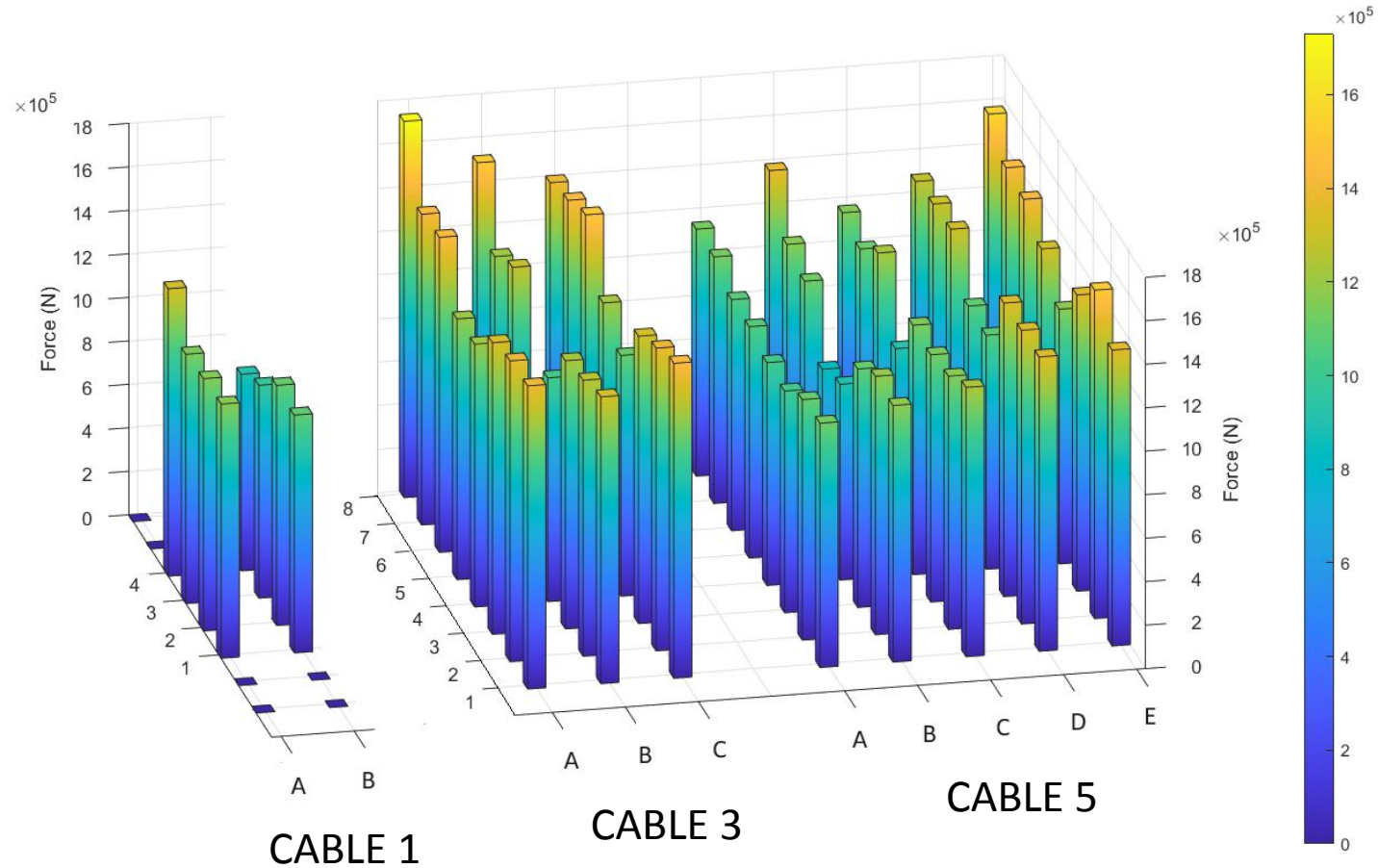
CABLE 4



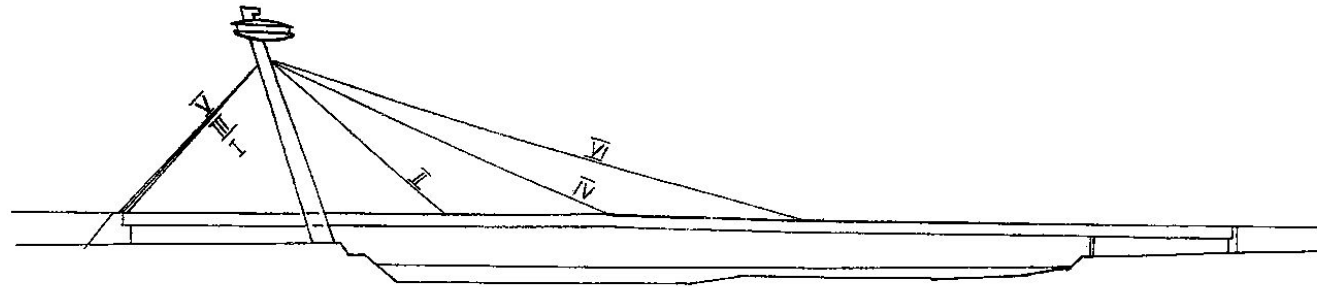
CABLE 6



ROPE MEASUREMENTS - TENSION DISTRIBUTION



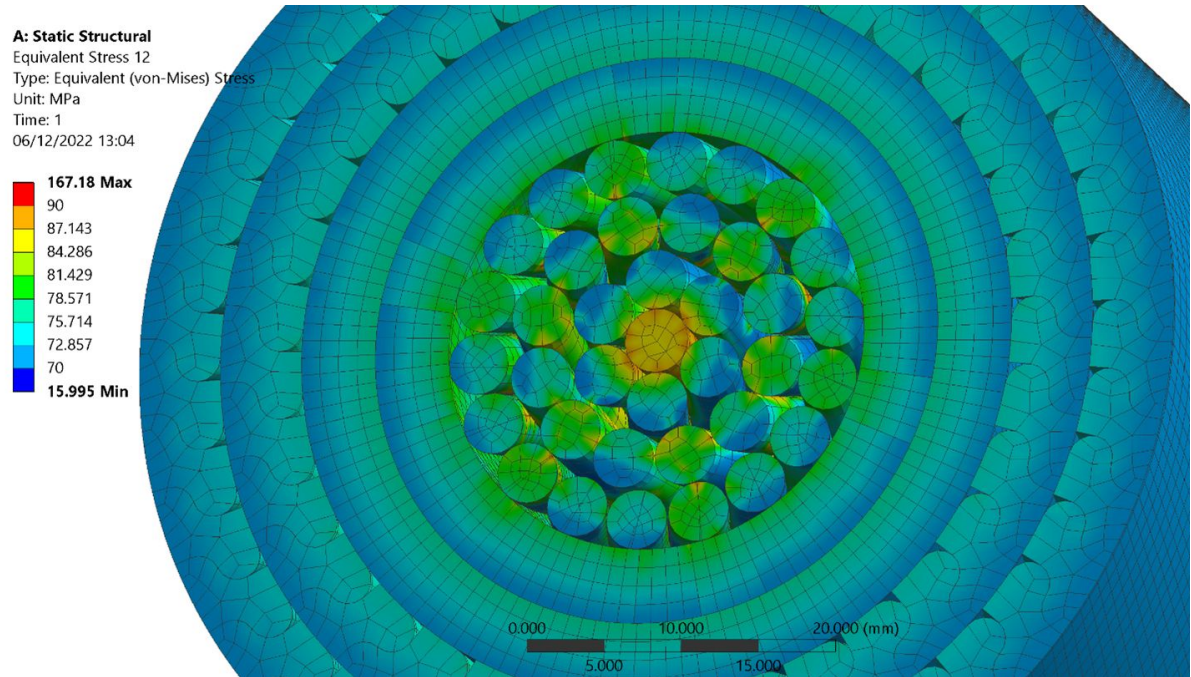
CABLE vs ROPE MEASUREMENTS



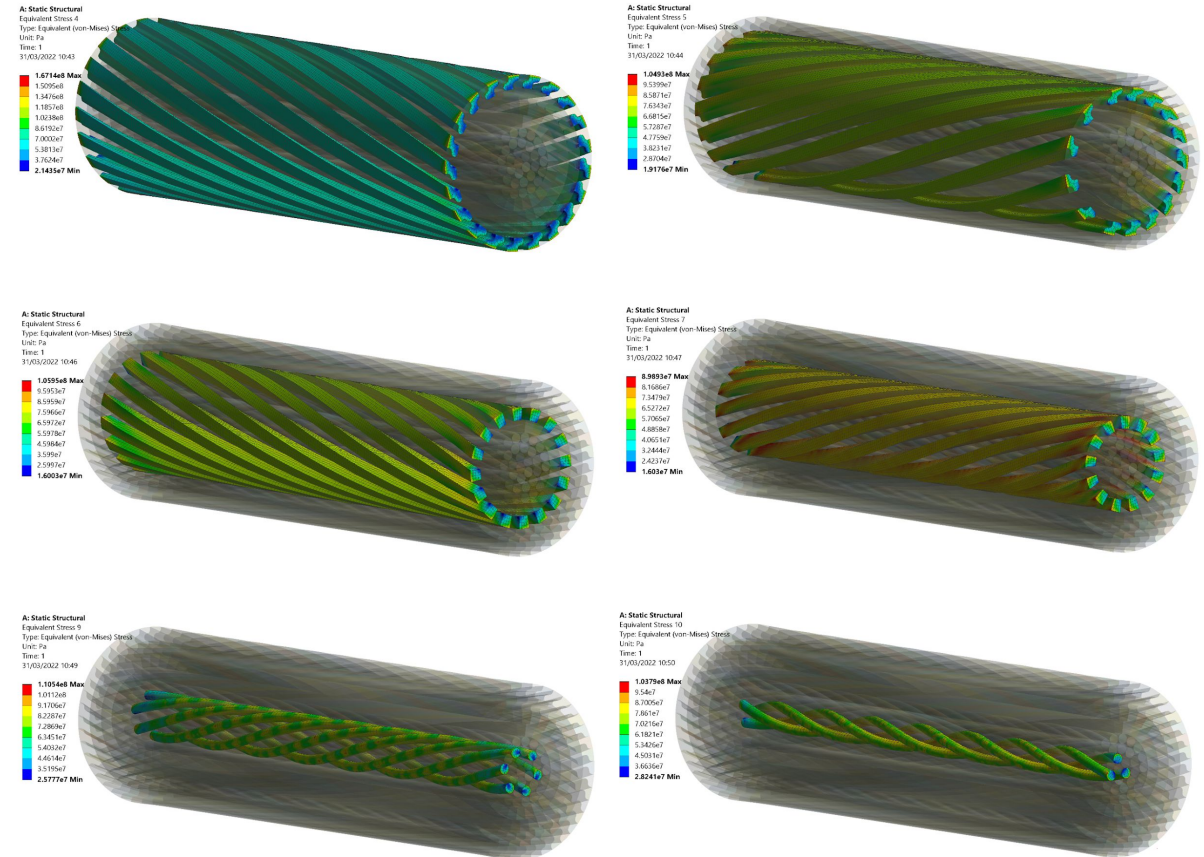
Cable	String Theory (MN)	Beam Theory (hinged ends) (MN)	Fang-Wang (MN)	Sum of ropes (MN) min/max
1	8.904	9.0050	8.1636	8.432 / 8.881
2	9.290	9.0827	8.1802	8.035 / 9.269
3 R	16.127	15.8365	14.650	14.701 / 15.452
3 L	16.477	16.3023	15.014	15.401 / 16.190
4 R	22.201	22.3574	20.658	18.389 / 20.684
4 L	22.579	22.3574	20.868	18.164 / 20.435
5 L	25.342	24.8416	21.562	23.010 / 24.076
6 R	21.632	21.6588	20.222	21.591 / 23.442
6 L	21.632	21.6588	20.222	21.616 / 23.471

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FEM SIMULATION - TENSION



ROPE CROSS-SECTION

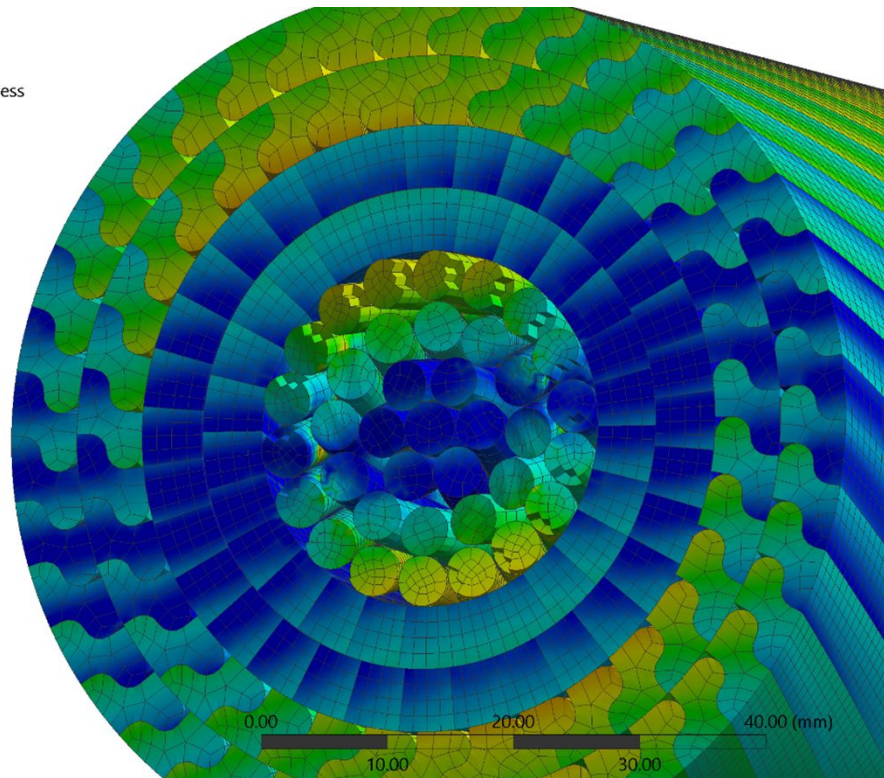


STRESS DISTRIBUTION in the CROSS-SECTION
HIGHEST STRESS is **8% HIGHER** THAN the AVERAGE STRESS

FEM SIMULATION – BENDING / CORROSION

A: Static Structural
Equivalent Stress 12
Type: Equivalent (von-Mises) Stress
Unit: MPa
Time: 1
13/12/2022 09:26

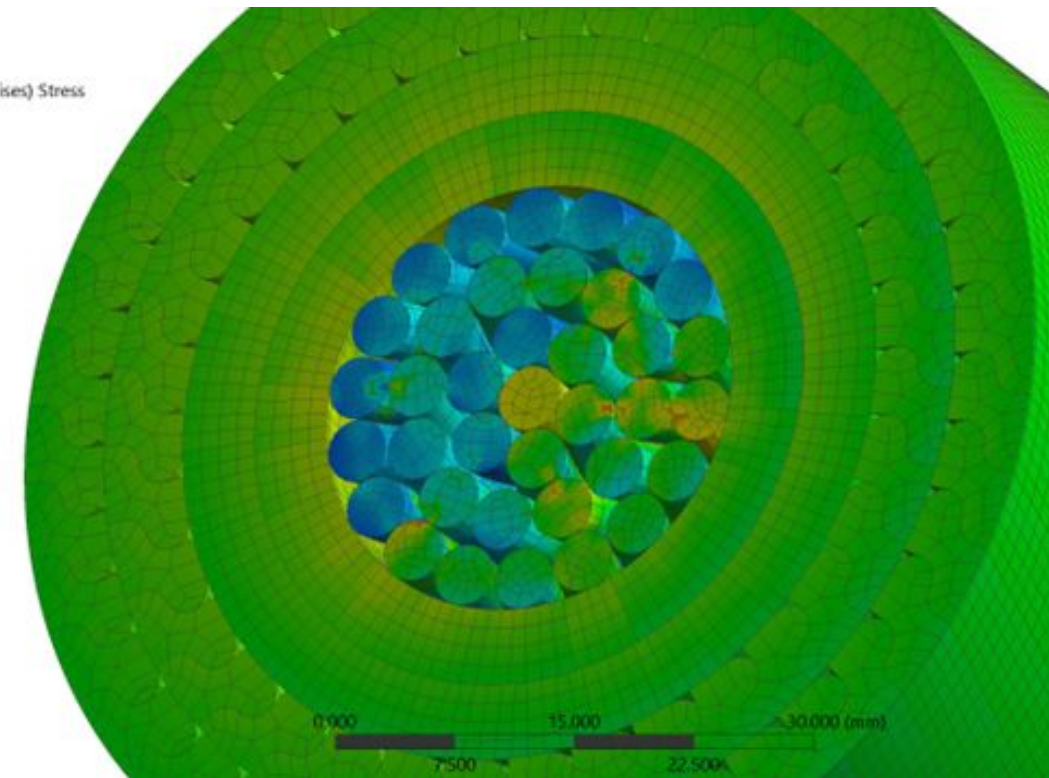
37.306 Max
8
7
6
5
4
3
2
1
0.015889 Min



BENDING IN HINGES (542.5 MPa)

C: u = 0.1mm korozia
Equivalent Stress 12
Type: Equivalent (von-Mises) Stress
Unit: MPa
Time: 1
12/12/2022 13:01

598.14 Max
100
91.429
82.857
74.286
65.714
57.143
48.571
40
1.4173 Min

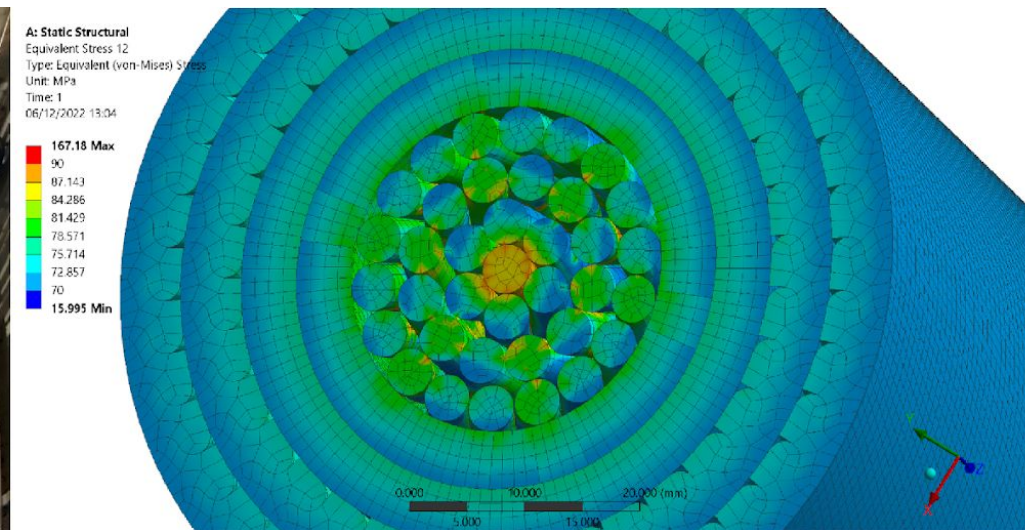


CORROSION OF INTERNAL WIRES
(8% CROSS SECTION REDUCTION)
17% STRESS INCREASE

SUMMARY

- Material strength of around 1370 MPa was estimated.
- Cable and rope tension has been estimated using vibration method, AVERAGE STRESS 330 MPa (24% of strength).
- FEM analysis of tensile loading of the rope was performed, highest stress is 8% higher than the average stress
- FEM analysis of bending, 542.5 MPa (40% of strength)
- FEM analysis of corrosion





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