

# Metal Structures II

## Lecture VI

### Tensile structures

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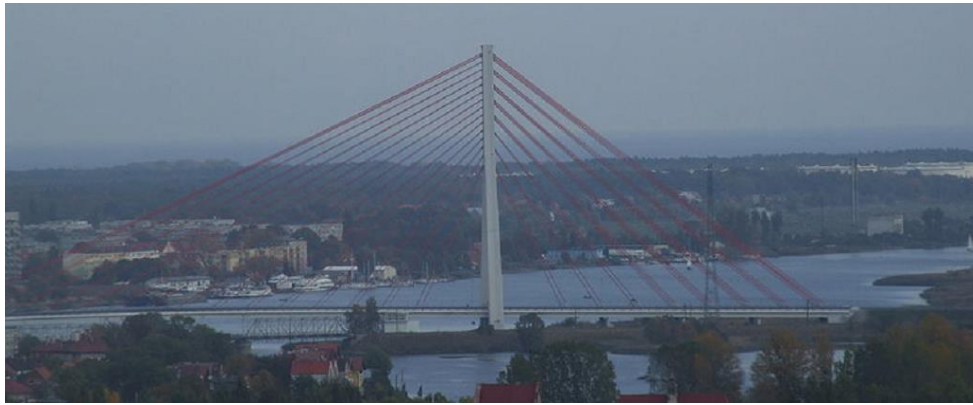
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## Introduction

Each structures presented previous, on I<sup>st</sup> and II<sup>nd</sup> step of study, are mainly calculated according to EN 1993-1-1 or EN 1993-1-5. For suspension structures is dedicated other Eurocode:

EN 1993-1-11 Design of structures with tension components

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Bridges (cable-stayed, suspension, ribbon, arch)

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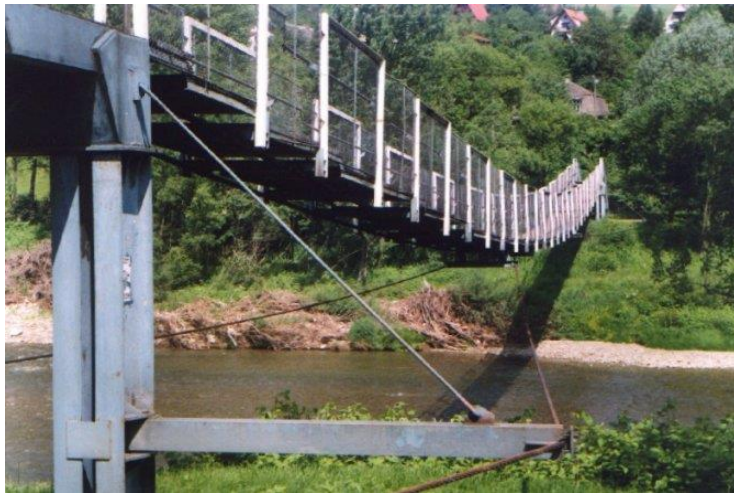


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## Suspension roofs



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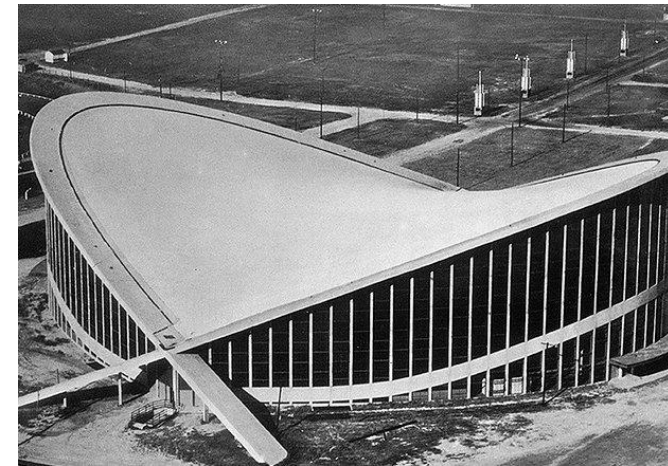


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## Guys & stays

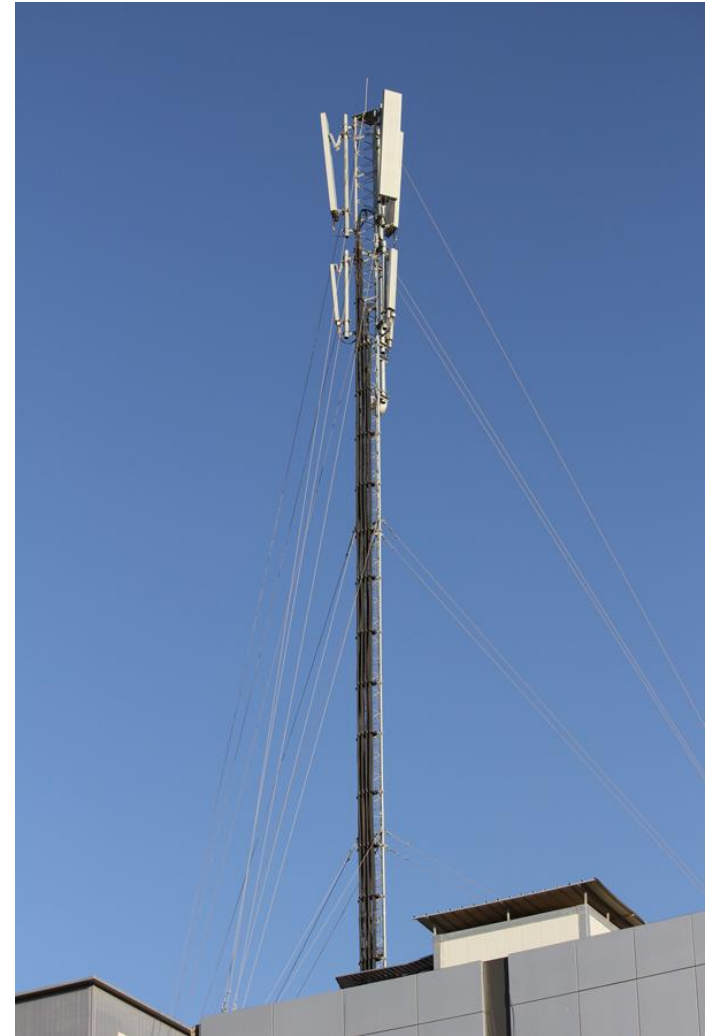


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Stays in truss

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## Transport

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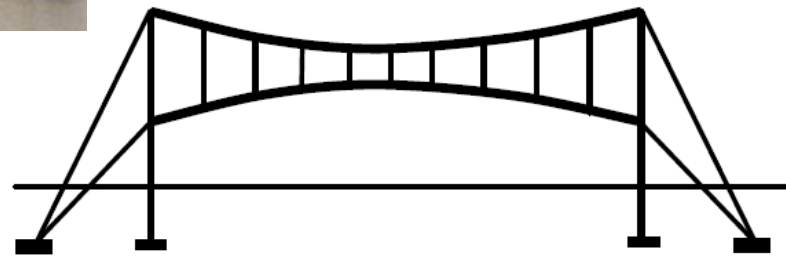
## 2D & 3D tensile structures

Example of flat tensile structure is Jawerth truss: special type of girder, in which both cords are tension members; web members are classical steel bars.



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Spatial tensile structure: di-curvature cable nets (roofs).

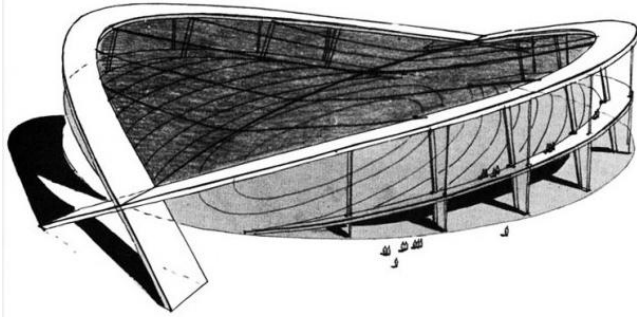


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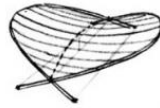


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## Standards:

EN 1993-1-11 Design of structures with tension components

EN 10 138 Prestressing steels

EN 10 264 Steel wire and wire products. Steel wire for ropes

EN 12 385 Steel wire ropes. Safety

EN 13 411 Terminations for steel wire ropes. Safety

## EN 1993-1-11

### Design of structures with tension components

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## Types of tension members

Group	Main tension element	Component
A	Rod (bar)	Tension rod (bar) system, prestressing bar
B	Circular wire	Spiral strand rope
	Circular and Z-wires	Fully locked coil rope
	Circular wire and strand wire	Strand rope
C	Circular wire	Parallel wire strand (PWS)
	Circular wire	Bundle of parallel wires
	Seven wire (prestressing) strand	Bundle of parallel strands



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A - round bars connected by threads

EN 1993-1-11 tab. 1.1

B - wires; diameter 5 mm - 160 mm; anchored in sockets or other



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C - need individual or collective anchoring and corrosion protection

## Group A:

bracing for roofs, walls, girders;  
stays for roof elements, pylons;  
tensioning systems for steel-wooden truss and steel structures, space frames

EN 1993-1-11 1.1.(2)

## Group B (first part):

### **Spiral strand ropes are mainly used as:**

- stay cables for aeriels, smoke stacks, masts and bridges;
- carrying cables and edge cables for light weight structures;
- hangers or suspenders for suspension bridges;
- stabilising cables for cable net, anr wood and steel trusses;
- hand-rail cables for banisters, balcones, bridge rails and guardrails;

EN 1993-1-11 1.1.(2)

## Group B (second part):

**Fully locked coil ropes are fabricated in the diameter range of 20 mm to 180 mm and are mainly used as:**

stay cables, suspension cables and hangers for bridge construction;

suspension cables and stabilizing cables in cable trusses;

edge cables for cable nets;

stay cables for pylons, masts, aerials;

EN 1993-1-11 1.1.(2)

## Group B (third part):

### **Structural strand ropes are mainly used as:**

stay cables for masts, aerials;

hangers for suspension bridges;

damper / spaced tie cables between stay cables;

edge cables for fabric membranes;

rail cables for banisters, balcones, bridge rails and guardrails;

EN 1993-1-11 1.1.(2)

Group C:

**Bundles of parallel wires** are mainly used as stay cables, main cables for suspension bridges and external tendons;

**Bundles of parallel strands** are mainly used as stay cables for composite and steel bridges

EN 1993-1-11 1.1.(2)

Group A → EN 1993-1-1 and EN 1993-1-11

Groups B and C → EN 1993-1-11

Group A - rigid elements

Groups B and C - generally limp elements

Group A: horizontal distance between both ends of element  $\leq 6,00$  m → dead weight of element can be neglected; otherwise - tension with bending.

Groups B and C - small or big deflection → #t / 71

## Structure of tension members

### **Strand**

An element of rope normally consisting of an assembly of wires of appropriate shape and dimension laid helically in the same or opposite direction in one or more layers around a centre.

### **Strand rope (structural strand rope)**

An assembly of several strands helically in one or more layers around a core (single layer rope) or centre (rotation-resistant or parallel-closed rope).

### **Spiral rope**

An assembly of a minimum two layers of wires laid helically over a central wire

### **Spiral strand rope**

EN 1993-1-11 1.3.1 - 1.3.5

Spiral rope comprising only round wires.

### **Fully locked coil rope**

Spiral rope having an outer layer of fully locked Z-shaped wires.

Truss bar - axial force (tensile or compressive) is an effect of loads.

Tension component group A - tensile axial force is an effect of initial tensile axial force and loads. Only tensile force is accepted as axial force.

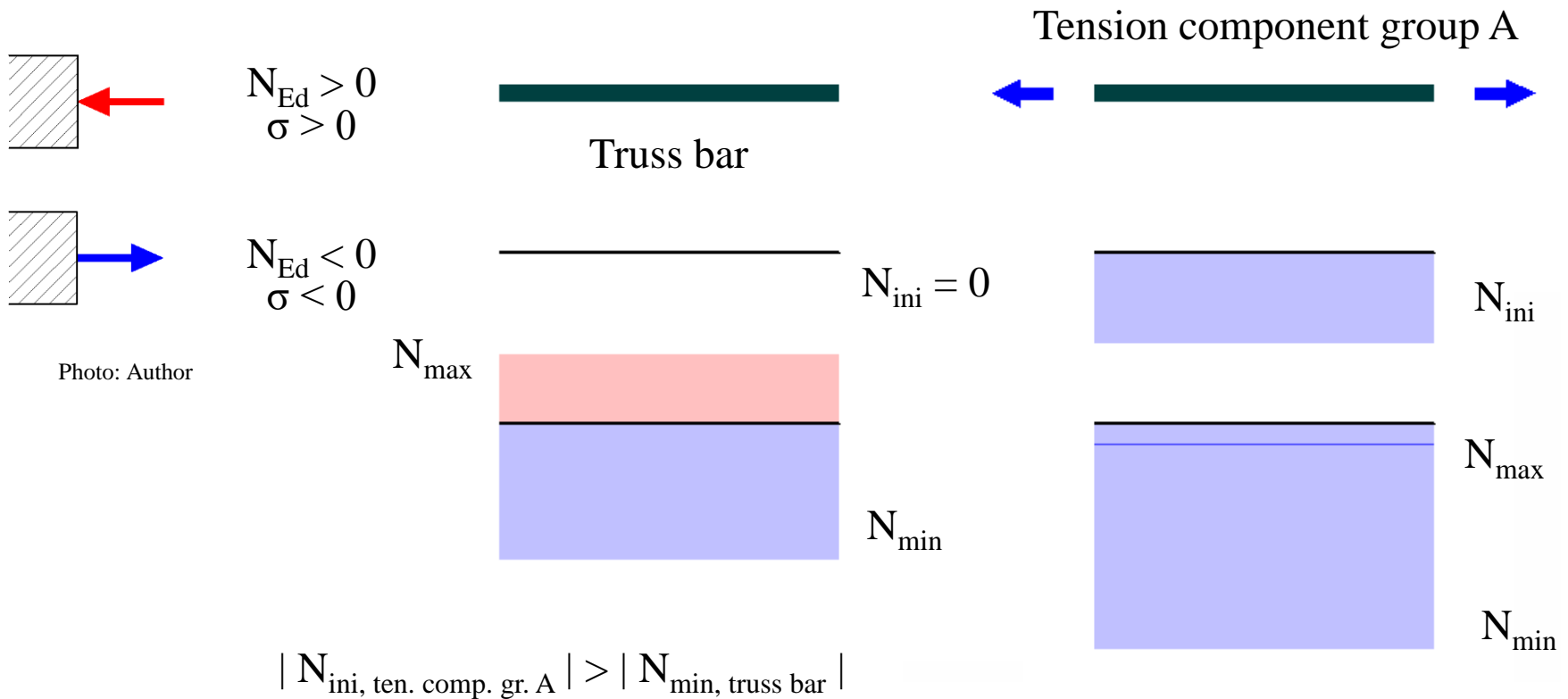


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**Wire** - basis element of tension components; the most often has O or Z cross-section shape.

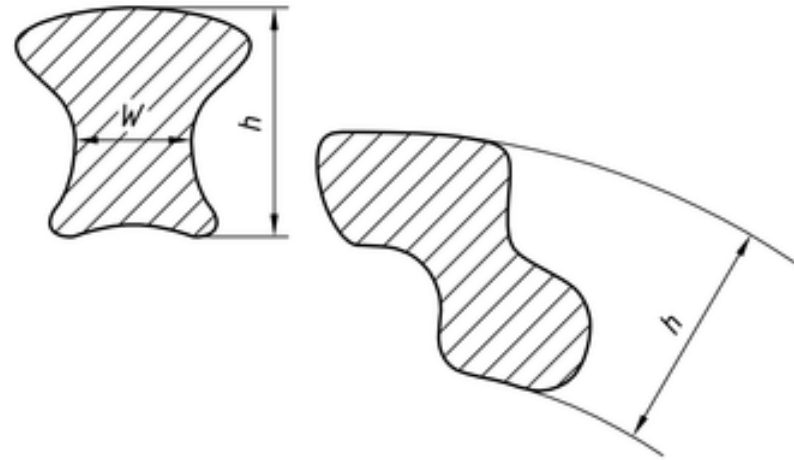
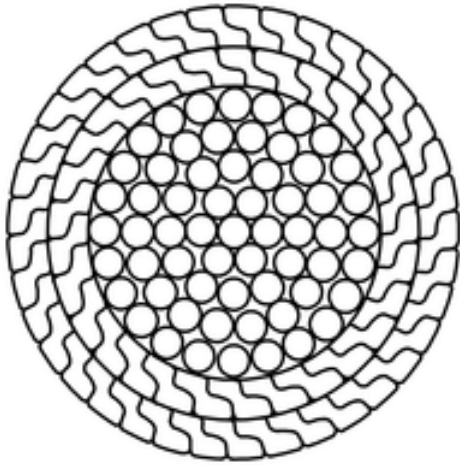


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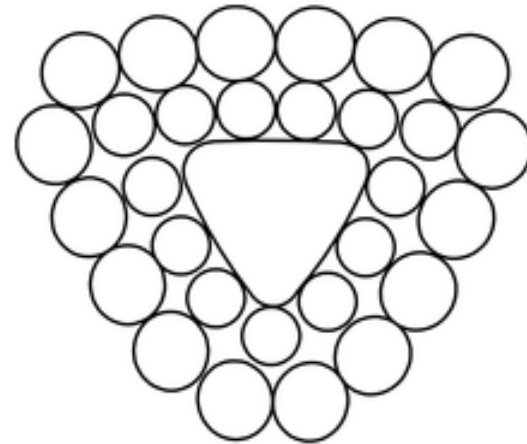
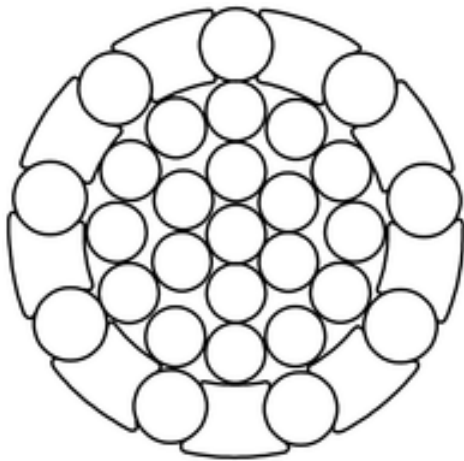


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**Strand** - part of **strand rope**, consist of **wires**

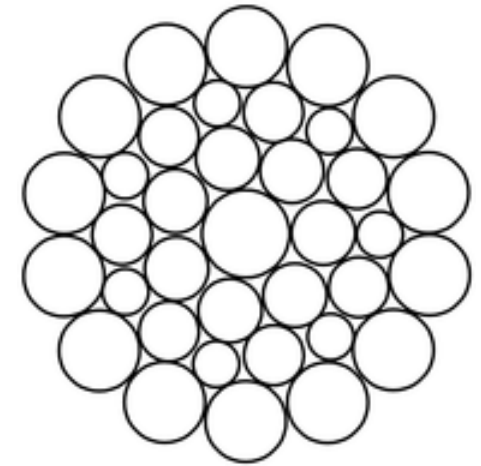


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# Strand rope - consist of strands

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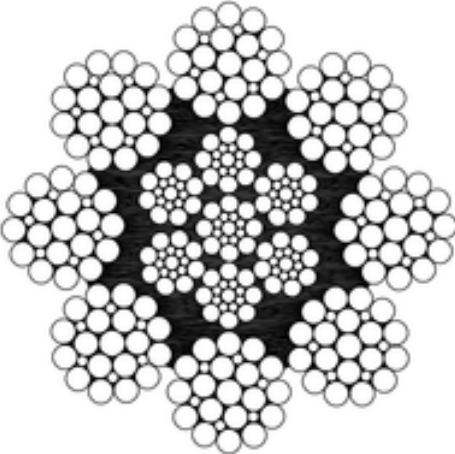
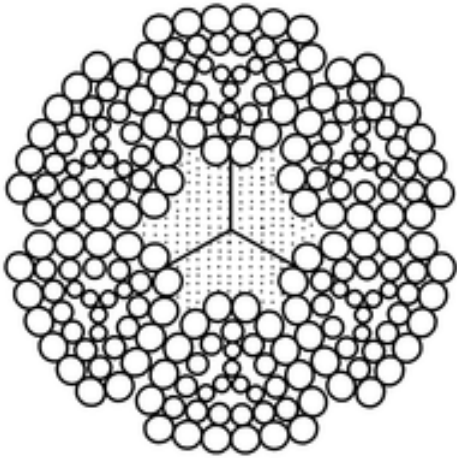
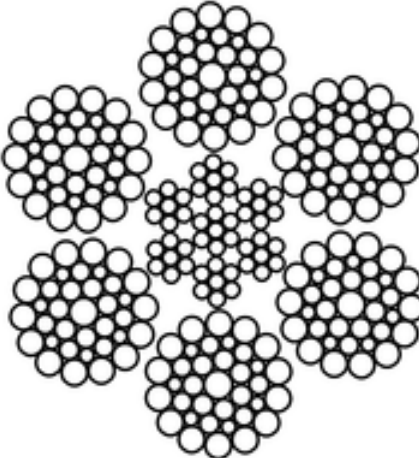
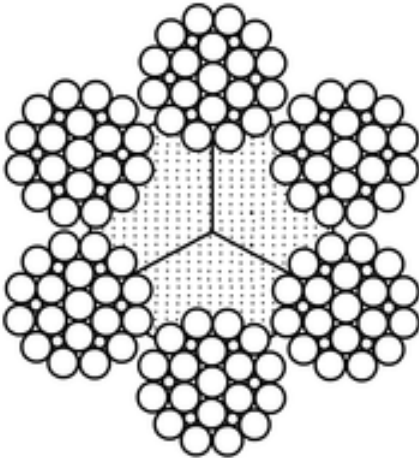


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## Steel core of fiber core:



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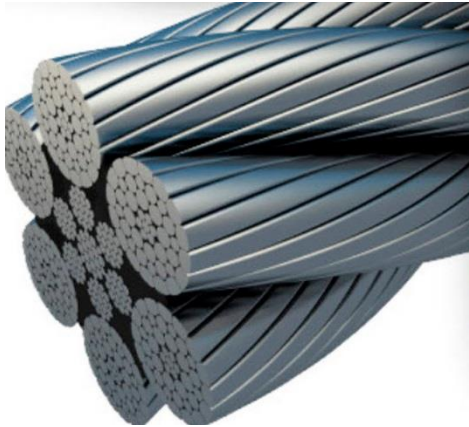
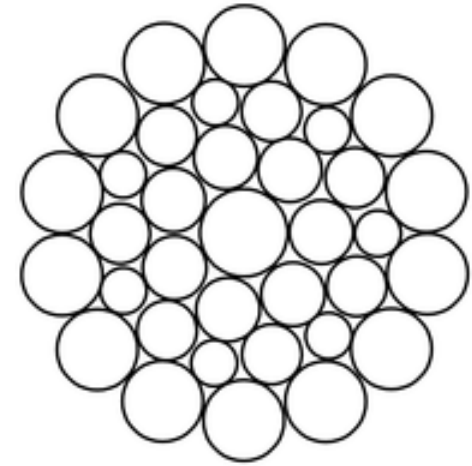


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**Strand spiral rope**  
(subtype of **spiral rope**)

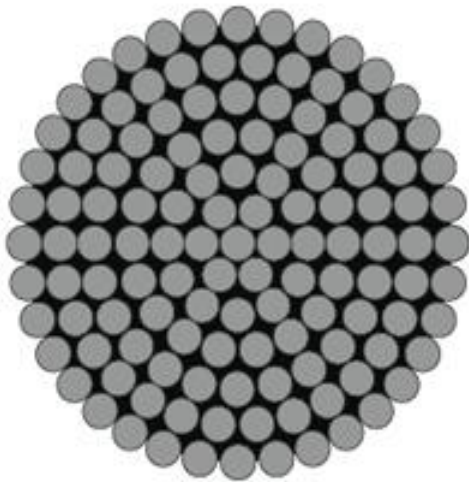


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**Fully locked coil rope**  
(subtype of **spiral rope**)

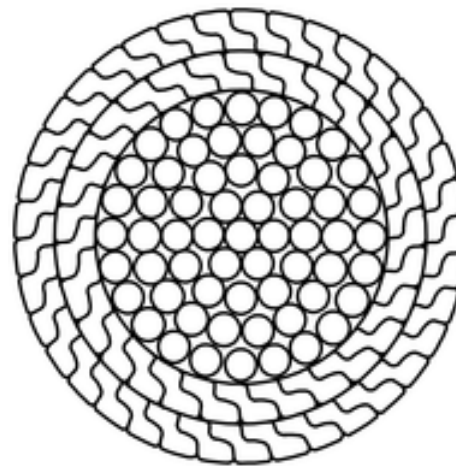


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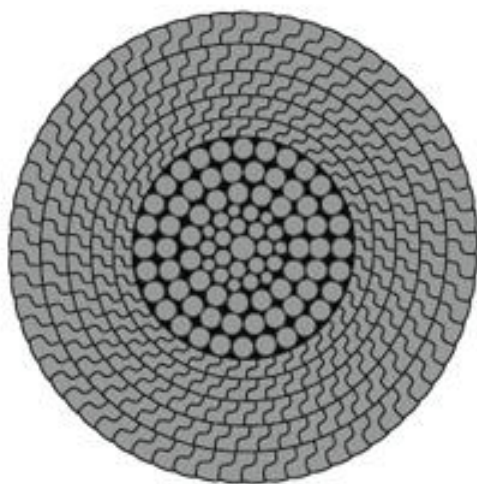
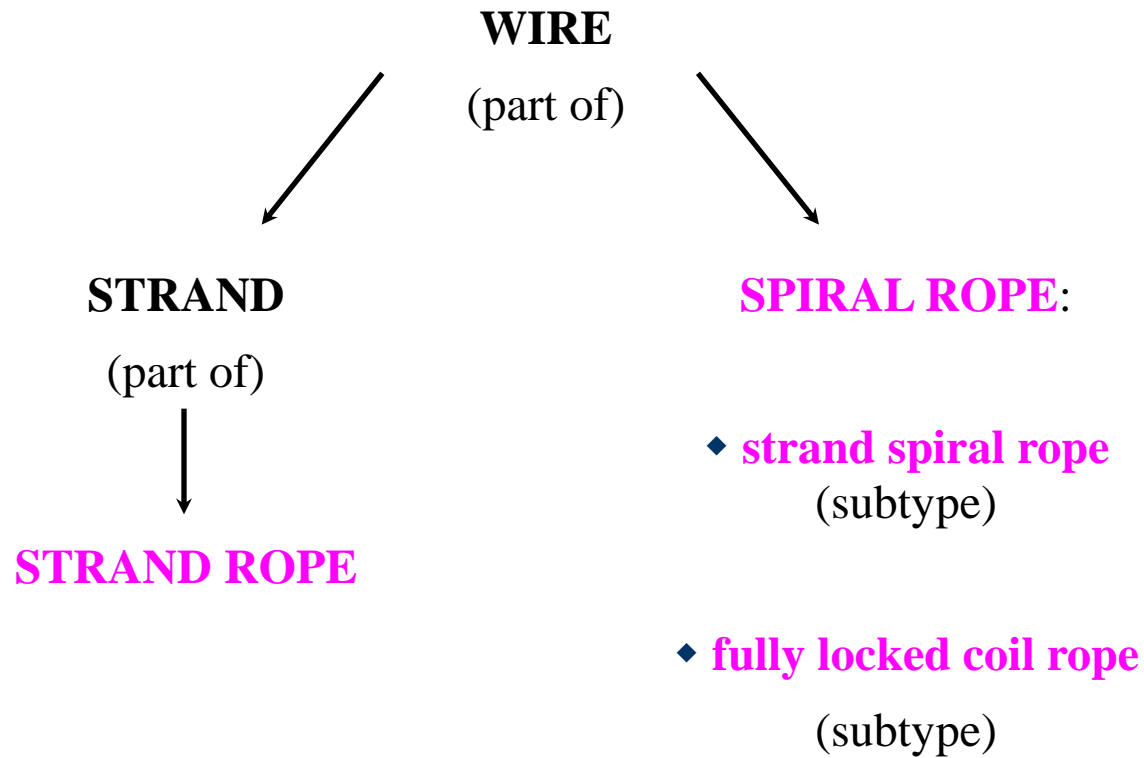


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**Component**

**Self-supporting element**

Cross-sections of **strand** and **spiral rope** could look the same.

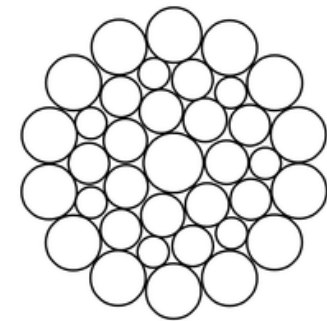


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## Grade of steel

There is high-strength steel, applied to tension members

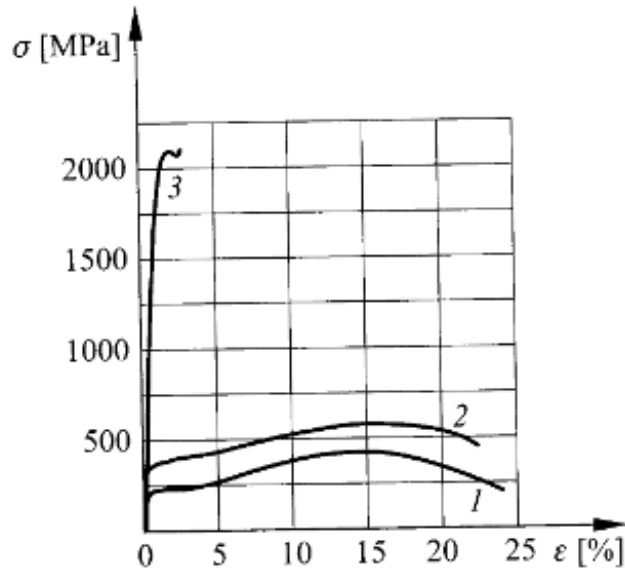


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1. S235
2. S355
3. Steel for tension members

Type	$f_u$ [MPa]
„Normal” steel, round wire	1 770
„Normal” steel, Z-wire	1 570
Stainless steel, round wire	1 450

EN 1993-1-11 3.1

Besides values  $f_u$  recommended by EN 1993-1-11 3.1, strength of steel for ropes can be even higher:

1 960 MPa

2 160 MPa

2 300 MPa

Because of this, the most popular grades of ropes (defined by manufacturers)  $R_r$  are as follow:

1 570 MPa

1 770 MPa

1 960 MPa

2 160 MPa

In opposite to "normal" steel, there is no plastic shelf for high strength steel. Because of this,  $f_{0,1}$  or  $f_{0,2}$  are calculated, based on statistical analysis of results  $R_e$  for  $\epsilon_{pl} = 0,1 \%$  or  $0,2 \%$  respectively.

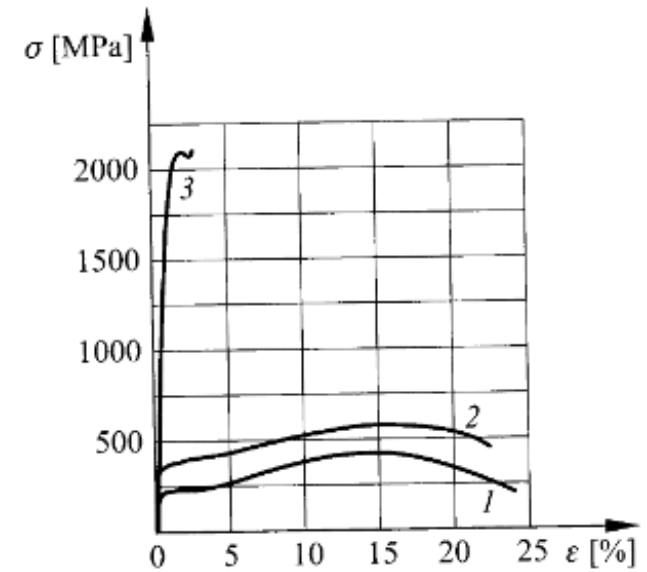


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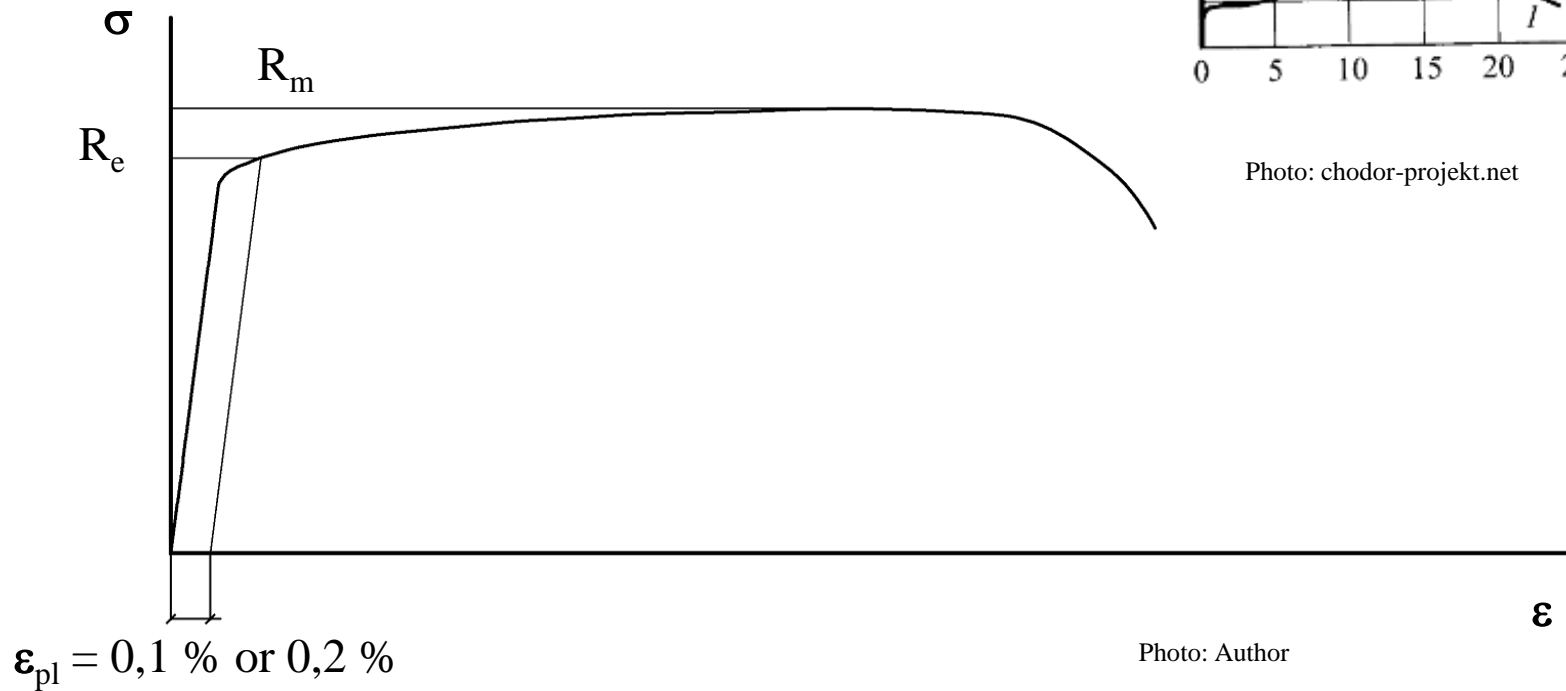


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## Young modulus

EN 1993-1-11 3.2

Group A →  $E = 210 \text{ Gpa}$

Group B, C → EN 1993-1-11 tab. 3.1

	High strength tension component	$E_Q$ [kN / mm <sup>2</sup> ]	
		„Normal” steel wires	Stainless steel wires
1	Spiral strand ropes	150 +/- 10	130 +/- 10
2	Fully locked coil ropes	160 +/- 10	
3	Strand wire ropes with CWR	100 +/- 10	90 +/- 10
4	Strand wire ropes with CF	80 +/- 10	
5	Bundled of parallel ropes	205 +/- 5	
6	Bundled of parallel strands	195 +/- 5	

CWR / CWS - steel core (rope / strand) → #t / 26

CF - fiber core → #t / 26

## Catenary effects (recalculation to effective Young modulus because of catenary)

$$E_t = E / [ 1 + w^2 l^2 E / (12 \sigma^3)]$$

EN 1993-1-11 (5.1)

w - unit weight  $\rightarrow$  #t / 38

l - horizontal span

$\sigma$  - stress in cable during exploitation



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# Ultimate Limit State

$$F_{Ed} / F_{Rd} \leq 1,0$$

EN 1993-1-11 (6.1), (6.2)

$$F_{Rd} = \min \{ F_{uk} / (1,5 \gamma_R) ; F_k / \gamma_R \}$$

$$F_{uk} \rightarrow \# t / 36$$

$$F_k \rightarrow \# t / 39$$

Measures to minimise bending stresses at the anchorage ( $\rightarrow \# t / 70$ )	$\gamma_R$
Yes	0,90
No	1,00

EN 1993-1-11 tab. 6.2

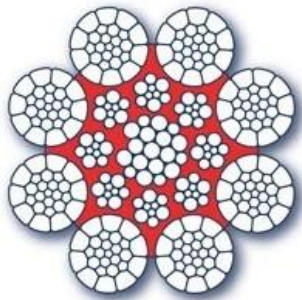


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$A$  = area of metal part only (white)

$A_m$  = area of total cross-section (white + red)

Group	$F_{uk}$
A	$A f_u$
B	$F_{min} k_e$
C	$A_m f_{uk}$

$$F_{min} \rightarrow \# t / 37$$

$$f_u \rightarrow \# t / 30$$

$$f_{uk} \rightarrow \text{characteristic value of } f_u$$

$$A \rightarrow \# t / 35$$

$$A_m \rightarrow \# t / 35 \quad ; \quad A_m = \pi d^2 f / 4$$

$$f \rightarrow \# t / 38$$

EN 1993-1-11 6.2.(3), (4)

EN 1993-1-1 6.2.3

Type of termination ( $\rightarrow \# t / 48-49$ )	Loss factor $k_e$
Metal filled socket	1,0
Resin filled socket	1,0
Ferrule-secured eye	0,9
Swaged socket	0,9
U-bolt grip	0,8 *)
*) For U-bolt grip a reduction of preload is possible	

EN 1993-1-11 tab. 6.3

EN 1993-1-11 1.3.8, 1.3.9

Minimum breaking force

$$F_{\min} = d^2 R_r K$$

Grade of rope  $R_r \rightarrow \#t / 31$

Breaking force factor:

$$K = \pi f k / 4$$

or

$K \rightarrow \text{EN 12 385}$

$f = (\text{area of metal cross-section}) / (\text{area within the circumference of rope}) = (\text{white}) / (\text{white} + \text{red})$

$f \rightarrow \#t / 38$

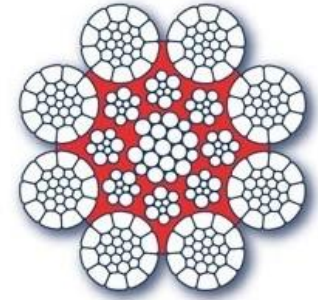
Spinning loss factor k:

0,75 - 0,80 - strand ropes

0,88-0,90 spiral ropes non fully locked

0,92 - fully locked ropes

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# Fill factor f

EN 1993-1-11 tab. 2.2

		Fill factor f						Unit weight w [kN / m <sup>3</sup> ]	
		Core wire + 1 layer z-wires	Core wire + 1 layers z-wires	Core wire + >1 layer z- wires	Number of wire layers around core wire				
					1	2	3 - 6		> 6
1	Spiral strand ropes (→ # t / 27)				0,77	0,76	0,75	0,73	83
2	Fully locked coil ropes (→ # t / 28)	0,81	0,84	0,88					83
3	Circular wire strand ropes (→ # t / 26)				0,56				93

Group	Relevant standard	$F_k$
A *)	EN 10 138-1	$F_{0,1k} = A_m f_{0,1}$
B	EN 10 264	$F_{0,2k} = A_m f_{0,2}$
C	EN 10 138-1	$F_{0,1k} = A_m f_{0,1}$
*) For prestressing bars see EN 1993-1-1 and EN 1993-1-4		

$$f_{0,1}, f_{0,2} \rightarrow \# t / 32$$

$$A_m \rightarrow \# t / 35 \quad ; \quad A_m = \pi d^2 f / 4$$

$$f \rightarrow \# t / 38$$

# Serviceability Limit State

Three aspects of SLS must be taken into consideration:

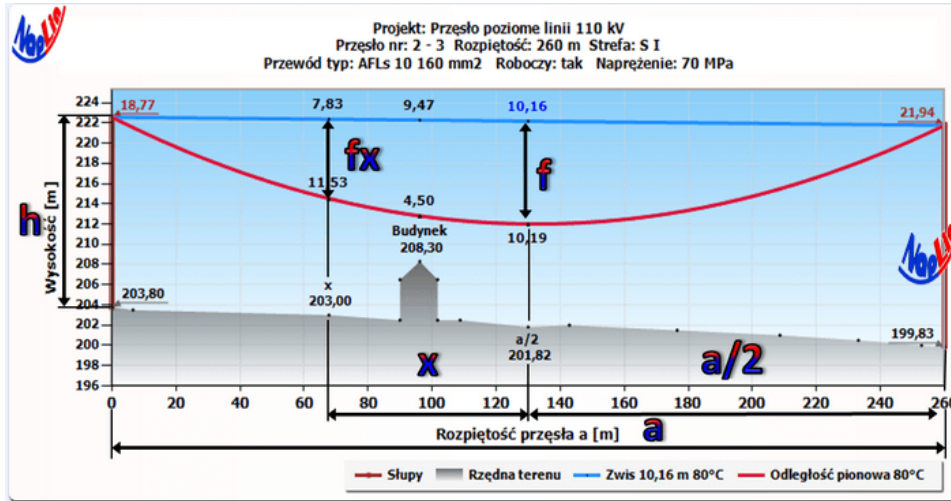


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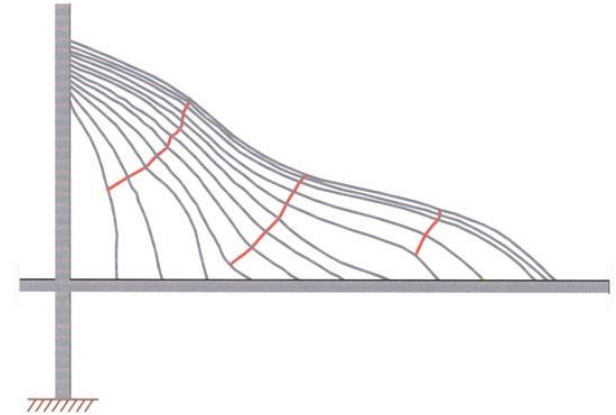


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Deformations, deflections (for example: electro-energetic lines; → #t / 41)

Vibrations (for example: stays in bridges; → #t / 42 );

Stresses (→ #t / 43 – 46).

# Deformation: electro-energetic line

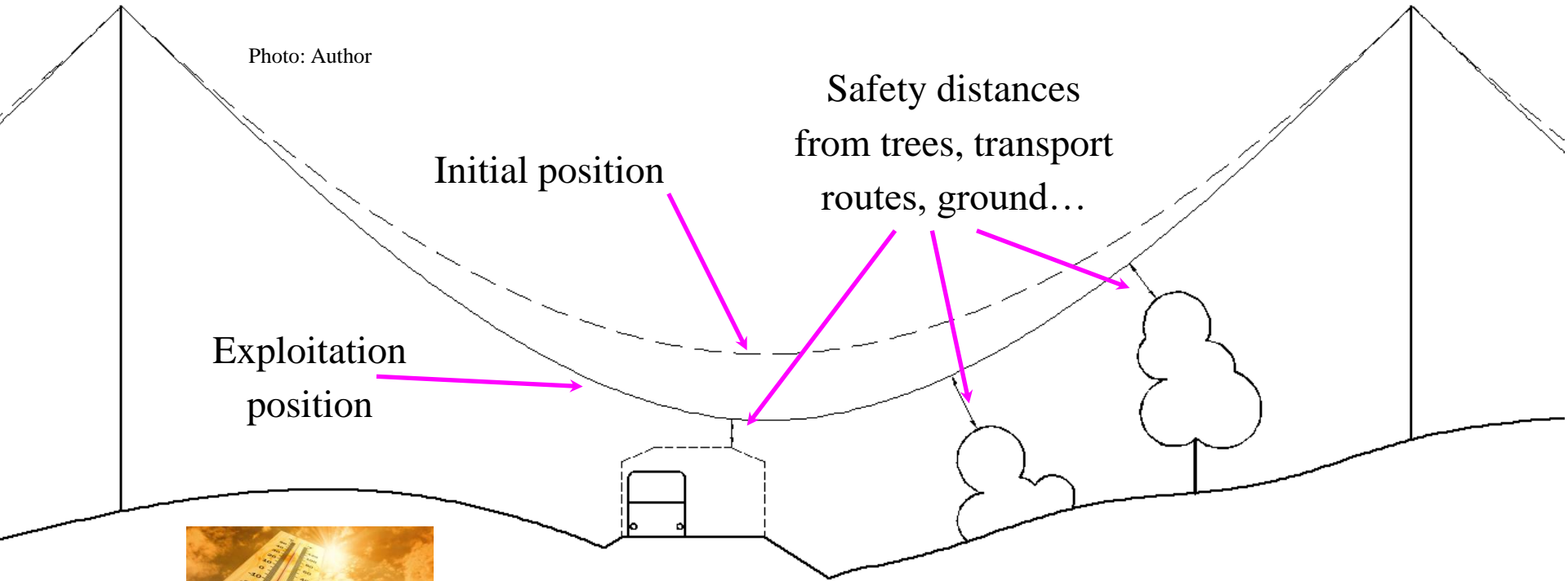


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## Summer condition:

high temperature → thermal expansion of cable → bigger deflection in exploitation stage



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## Winter condition:

Atmospheric icing (→ #t / 53) → bigger load → bigger deflection in exploitation stage

## Vibration: stays in bridge

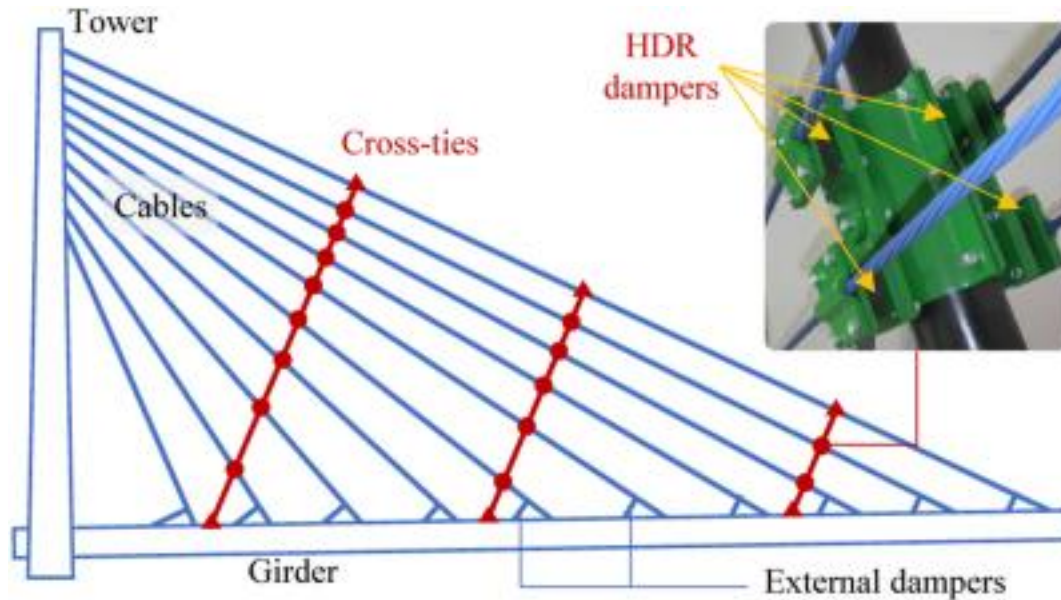


Photo: Stay cable vibration mitigation: A review. L. Sun, L. Chen, H. Huang, *Advances in Structural Engineering*, Volume 25 Issue 16, December 2022

Vibrations of tendons may be caused by various types of dynamic actions ( $\rightarrow$  #t / 55 – 68). Vibrations cause unfavorable pulsations of tension forces in cables. Various types of dampers ( $\rightarrow$  #t / 70) or cross-ties can be used as countermeasures, changing periods (susceptibility to excitation) and amplitudes of vibrations.

## Stresses

$$\sigma_{cf/sc} / \sigma_{SLS} \leq 1,0 \quad \text{EN 1993-1-11 (7.1)}$$

$$\sigma_{SLS} = \sigma_{SLS} (\sigma_{uk})$$

$$\sigma_{uk} = F_{uk} / A_m$$

$$A_m \rightarrow \#t / 35$$

$$F_{uk} \rightarrow \#t / 36$$

This formula must be satisfied for stress in construction phase ( $\sigma_{SLS} \rightarrow \#t / 44 - 45$ ) and inservice conditions ( $\sigma_{SLS} \rightarrow \#t / 46$ ).

For construction phase:

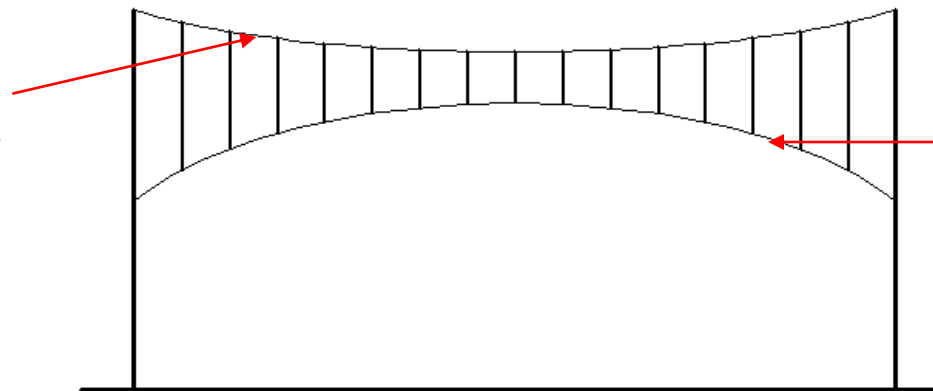
$$\sigma_{SLS} = f_{const} = \sigma_{uk} / (1,5 \gamma_R \gamma_F) \quad \text{EN 1993-1-11 tab 7.1}$$

Stage of installation	$f_{const}$	$\gamma_R$	$\gamma_F$
First tension components for only a few hours	$0,60 \sigma_{uk}$	1,0	1,1
After instalment of other tension components	$0,55 \sigma_{uk}$	1,0	1,2

EN 1993-1-11 tab 7.1

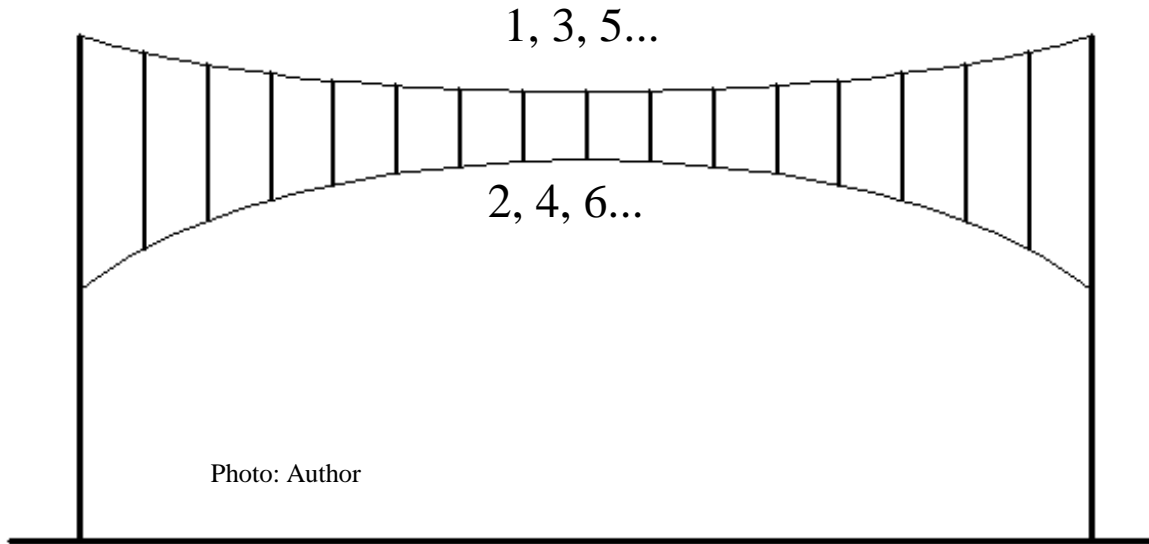
Differentiation („first tension component” – "other tension components") construction phase into two cases is effect of changes in the tension of the cable during assembly.

Main cable - carries deadweight of structure, snow load and wind pressure



Tensioning cable - carries wind suction

Photo: Author



1. Tension of main cable
2. Tension of tensioning cable - it changes tensile force in main cable
3. Adjustment of force in main cable - it changes tensile force in tensioning cable
4. Adjustment of force in tensioning cable - it changes tensile force in main cable
- ...

Conclusion - stresses in cables during construction phase change many times and are completely different, than under service condition.

For inservice conditions (exploitation stage):

$$\sigma_{SLS} = f_{SLS} = \sigma_{uk} / (1,5 \gamma_R \gamma_F) \quad \text{EN 1993-1-11 tab 7.1}$$

Loading condition	$f_{SLS}$	$\gamma_R$	$\gamma_F$
Fatigue design including bending stresses *)	$0,50 \sigma_{uk}$	0,9	1,5
Fatigue design without bending stresses	$0,45 \sigma_{uk}$	1,0	1,5

\*) Bending stresses may be reduced by detailing measures, see 7.1.(2) ( $\rightarrow \# t / 70$ )

EN 1993-1-11 tab 7.2

## Corrosion protection:

exposure classes

Fatigue action	Corrosion action	
	Not exposed externally	Exposed externally
No significant fatigue actions	Class 1	Class 2
Mainly axial fatigue actions	Class 3	Class 4
Axial and lateral fatigue actions (rain & wind)	Not exposed externally + wind & rain is impossible	Class 5

EN 1993-1-11 tab. 2.1

Class 2, 4, 5 → corrosion protection must be very effective

Class 3, 4, 5 → wind fatigue calculation are needed

# Anchorage

Type of termination:

Metal filled socket, resin filled socket



Photo: [sdj.sagepub.com](http://sdj.sagepub.com)



Photo: [strider-resource.com](http://strider-resource.com)

## Ferrule-secured eye



Photo: franklin.com.sg

## Swaged socket



Photo: indiamart.com

## U-bolt grip



U-Bolt of all clips on  
dead end of rope.

**Correct**



Staggered Clips

**Incorrect**



U-Bolt of all clips on  
live end of rope.

**Incorrect**

Photo: e-rigging.com



Photo: msdirect.com

Generally, there are two cases: anchorage with possibility of regulate tensile force (active anchorage, adjustable anchorage) and without possibilities of regulate tensile force (passive anchorage, fixed anchorage).

**ADJUSTABLE**  
standard anchorage

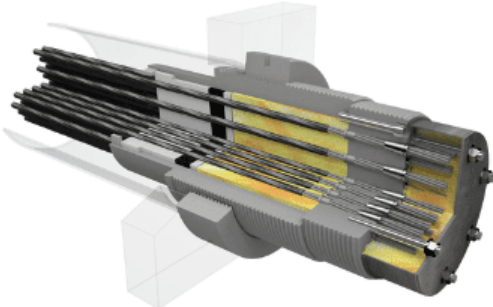


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standard anchorage

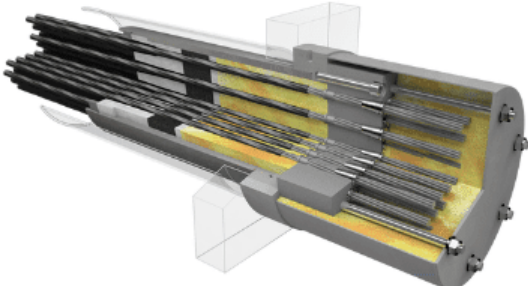


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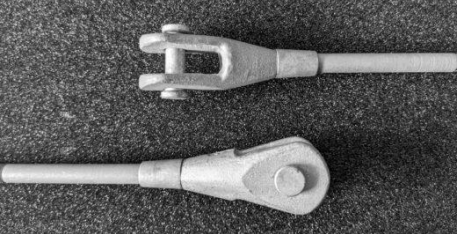


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Two the most popular solutions for active anchorage:

- by stressing jack;
- by rotation of threaded head;



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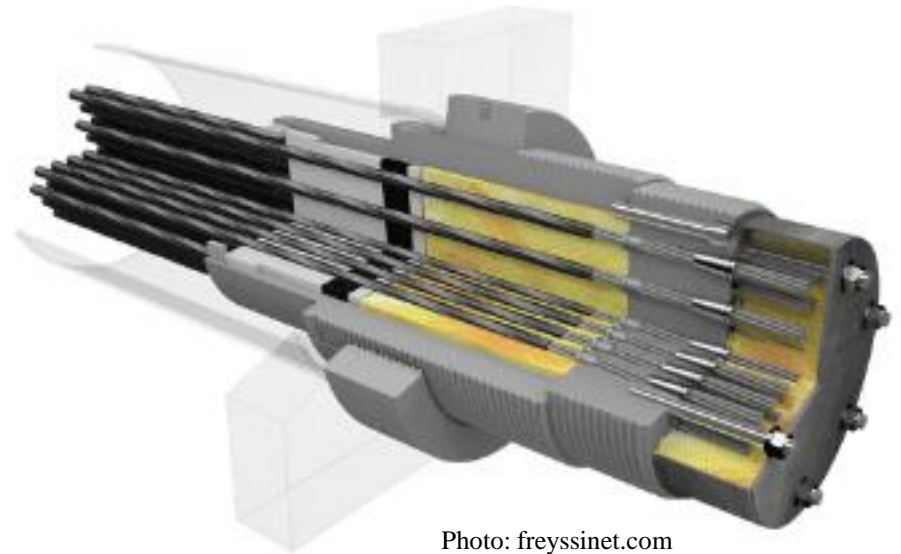


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## Loads

Dead weight  $w \rightarrow \#t / 38$

Static wind action  $\rightarrow$  EN 1991-1-4

Atmospheric icing  $\rightarrow$  PN B 02013

Thermal action  $\rightarrow$  EN 1991-1-5

Prestressing  $\rightarrow$  EN 1993-1-11

Dynamic loads induced by wind (vibrations, aerodynamic instability)  $\rightarrow$  EN 1991-1-4,  
literature

Atmospheric icing is one of the most important types of actions for many structures. At now, there is no special Eurocode for this type of load; we use old National Standards (for example PN B 02013, or better PN-EN 50341-2-22:2016).

According to workers from Chorągwica guyed mast, ice stalactites can have 15 m length and 1 m diameter ( $\sim 3,5$  T)



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Atmospheric icing changes three aspects of loads:

- Gravity load (big additional mass);
- Static wind actions (change of dimensions of cross-section; change of cross-section shape → change of aerodynamic factors );
- Dynamic wind actions (change of cross-section shape → possibility of aerodynamic instability, for example galloping for cables → #t / 58)

## Vibrations, aerodynamic instability

Buffeting → # t / 56

Bénard – von Kármán vortex → # t / 57

Galloping → # t / 58 - 62

Interferences with neighbour cables → # t / 63

Rain-wind induced vibrations → # t / 64

Aerodynamic divergence → # t / 65

Flexural-torsional flutter → # t / 66

Membrane flutter → # t / 67

Aerodynamic phenomenon dangerous for cables

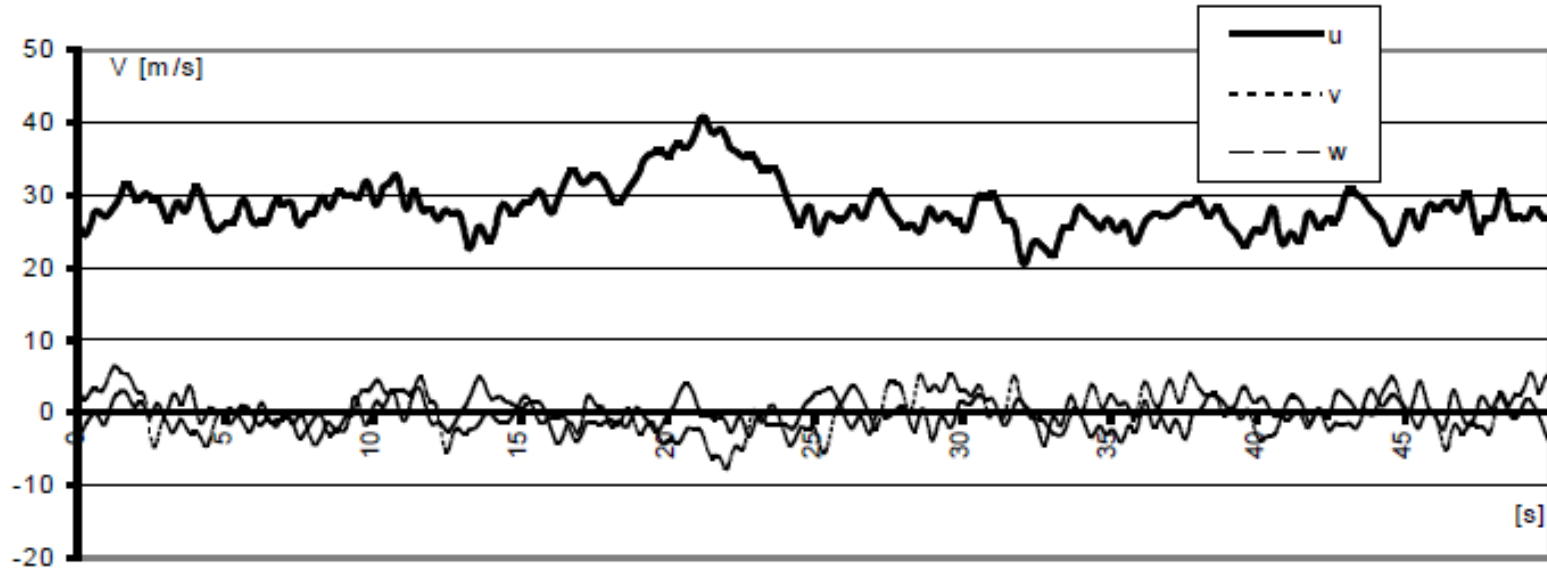
Aerodynamic phenomenon dangerous for tension structures but not dangerous for cables

Aerodynamic phenomenon dangerous for both

# Buffeting

## 3D components of wind velocity

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Non-cyclic pulsations of wind velocity can indicate vibrations of structure as effect of chaotic change of wind pressure. For this one phenomenon important is structural factor  $c_s c_d$  (EN 1991-1-4)

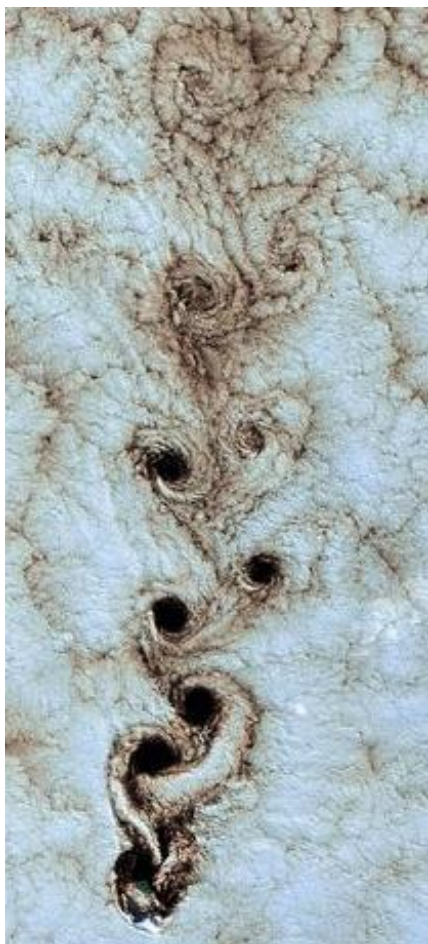


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## Bénard – von Kármán vortex (Henri Bénard, Theodore von Kármán)

Unsteady separation of flow of air around round member →  
cyclic (non-chaotic) change of flow direction → change of  
pressure → cyclically variable force → resonance with free  
vibrations of structure

$$V_{cr} = 5 f d$$

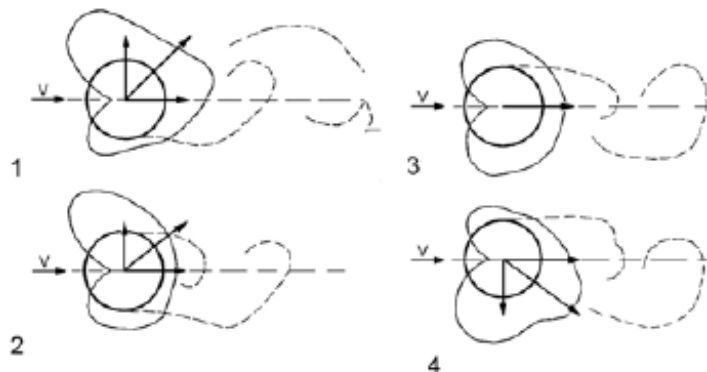


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# Galloping

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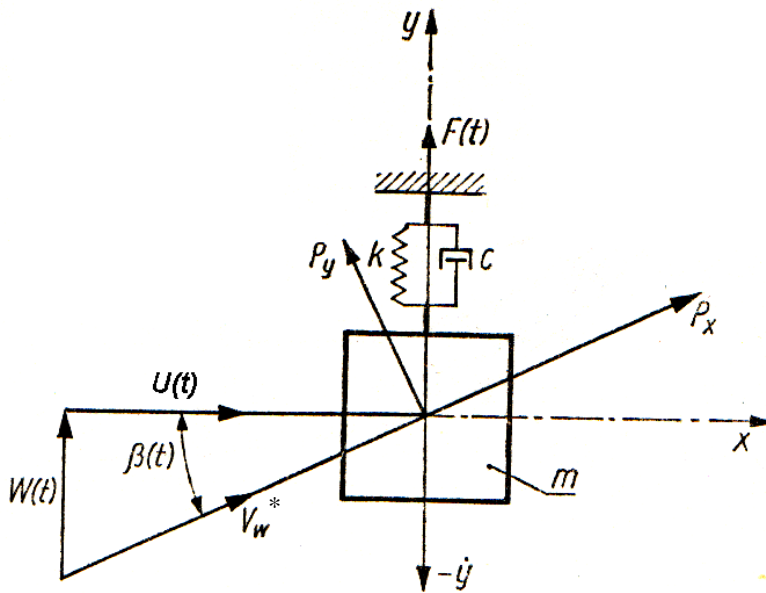
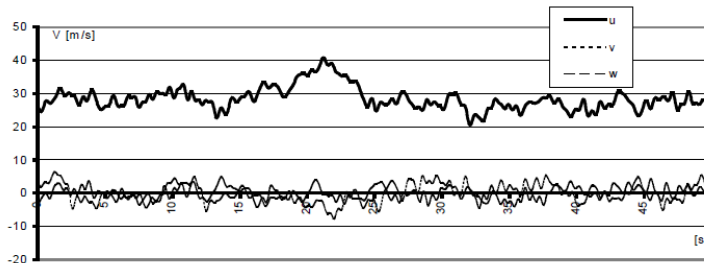


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Arkady Warszawa 1978

Wind velocity in main direction  $U(t)$  is dominant. But, as the effect of buffeting, two additional components of wind ( $V(t)$ ,  $W(t)$ ) must be taken into consideration. Their product will be action, applied to rope in direction perpendicular to main wind direction.

Common effect of  $U(t)$  and  $W(t)$  is  $V_w^*$ . It causes two forces, applied to rope:  $P_x$  (parallel to instantaneous wind direction) and  $P_y$  (perpendicular to instantaneous wind direction). Both forces change over time because of changes of  $U(t)$  and  $W(t)$ .

Changes of value  $W(t)$  over time causes change rake angle  $\beta(t)$ .

$$\beta(t) = \arctg [W(t) / U(t)]$$

$$\beta(t) \text{ small} \rightarrow \beta(t) \approx W(t) / U(t)$$

Fundamental formula for vibrations ( $\rightarrow$  #7 / 25):

$$m y'' + c y' + k y = F(t)$$

$$F(t) = P_y \cos \beta(t) + P_x \sin \beta(t) = F[\beta(t)]$$

First element of the Taylor series:

$$F[\beta(t)] \approx [\partial F / \partial \beta]_{\beta=0} \beta(t) = [\partial F / \partial \beta] [W(t) / U(t)]$$

Speed of wind relative to structure is the same as speed of structure relative to air, so:

$$W(t) \approx -y'$$

Longitudinal component of wind has no influence on transverse vibrations

$$U(t) \approx U = \text{const}$$

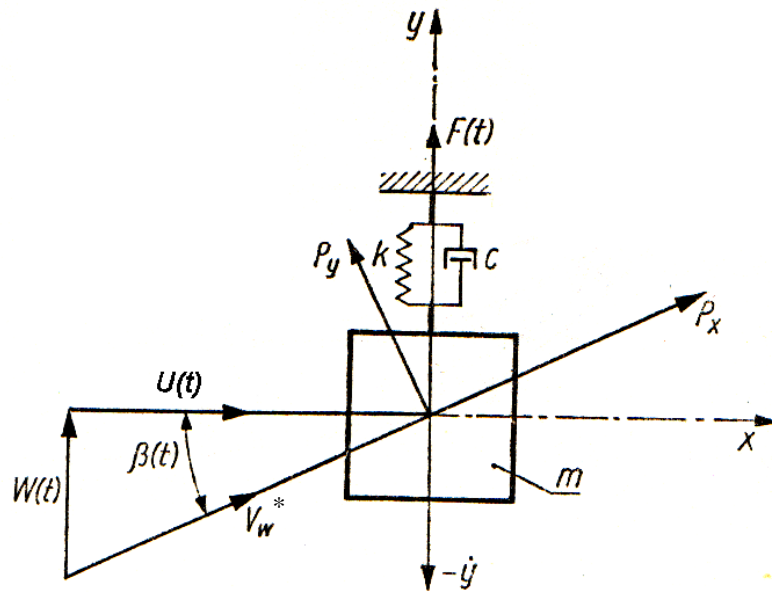


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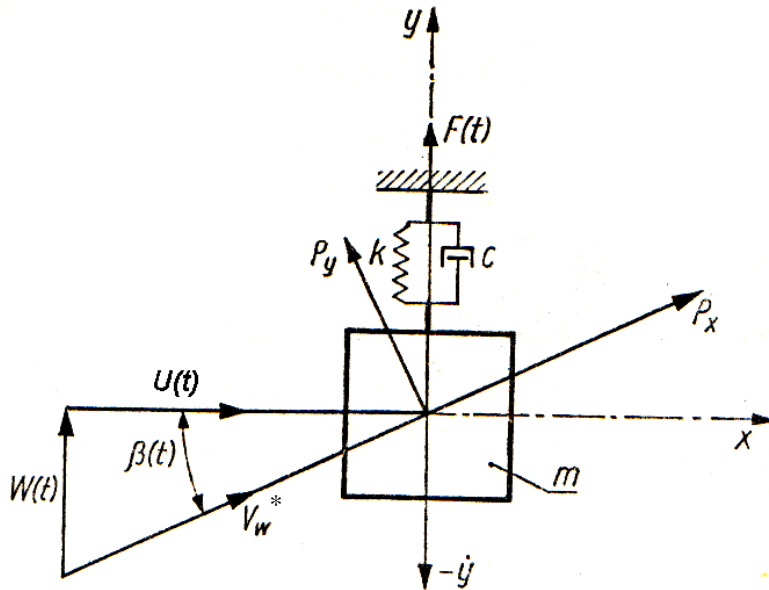


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$$\begin{aligned}
 F(t) &= [\partial F / \partial \beta] [W(t) / U(t)] = \\
 &= - [\partial F / \partial \beta] [y' / U] = \\
 &= - y' [\partial F / \partial \beta] [1 / U]
 \end{aligned}$$

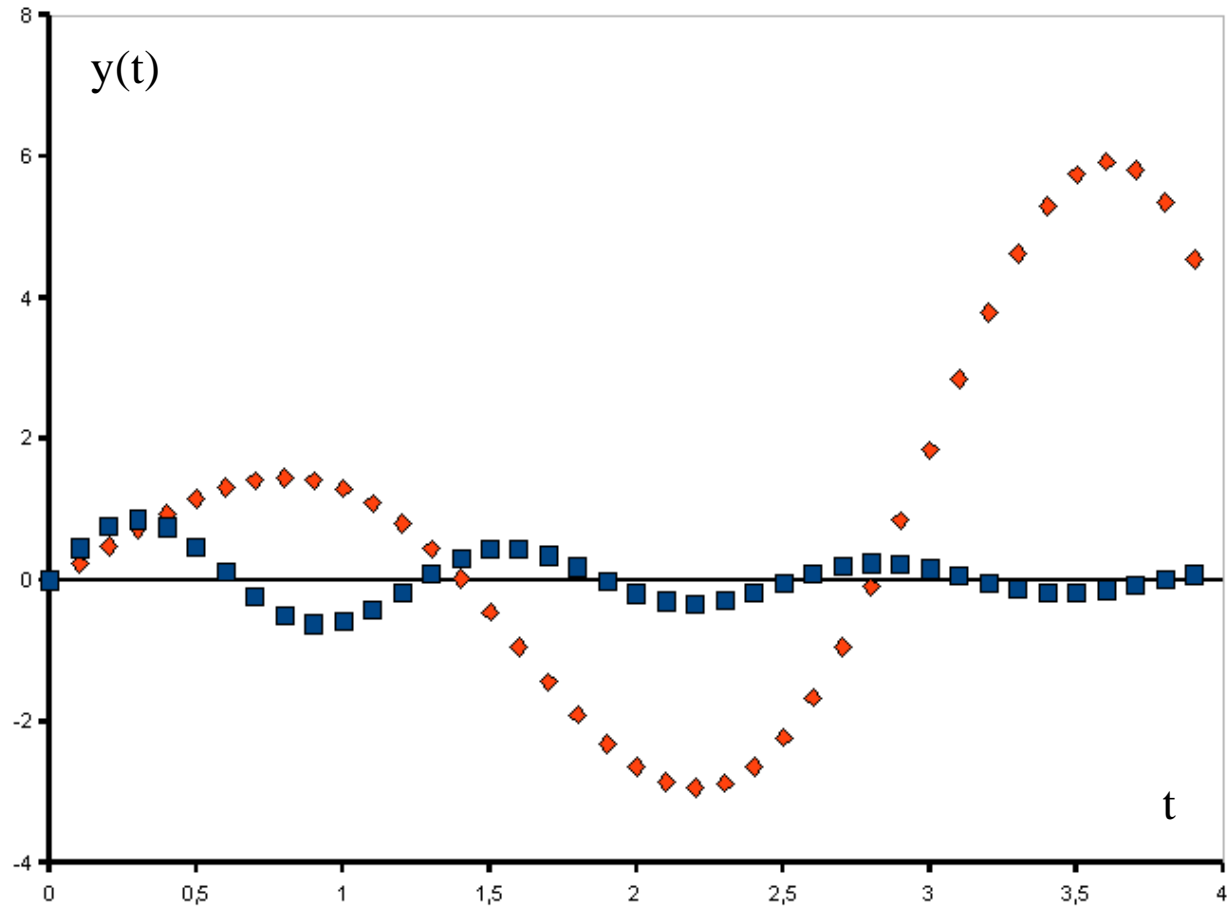
$$m y'' + c y' + k y = - y' [\partial F / \partial \beta] [1 / U]$$

$$m y'' + \{c + [\partial F / \partial \beta] [1 / U]\} y' + k y = 0$$

$$m y'' + c_1 y' + k y = 0$$

New form of fundamental formula: damping coefficient  $c_1$  contains not only material characteristic, but additionally impact of type of wind flow around cross-section

Photo: Author



$$\omega = \sqrt{(k / m)}$$

$$r = c_1 / (2 m)$$

$$y(t) = A e^{-r t} \sin [\sqrt{(\omega^2 - r^2)} t + \varphi]$$

$$c_1 = \{c + [\partial F / \partial b] [1 / U]\} > 0 \text{ (dumped vibrations)}$$

$$c_1 = \{c + [\partial F / \partial b] [1 / U]\} < 0 \text{ (galloping)}$$

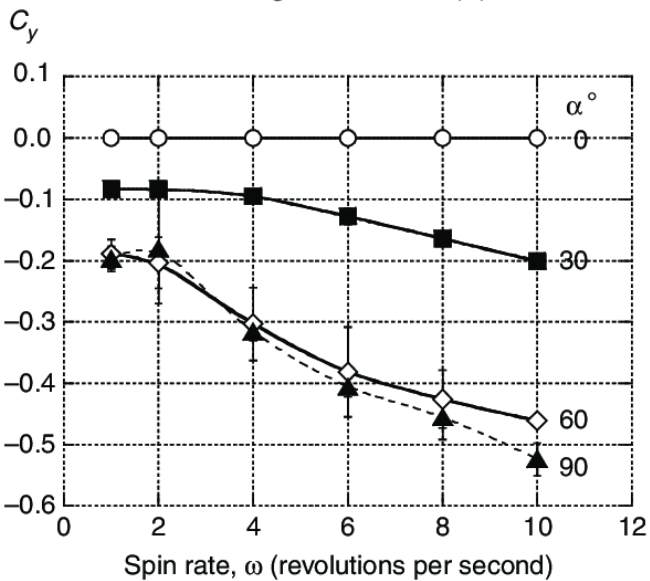
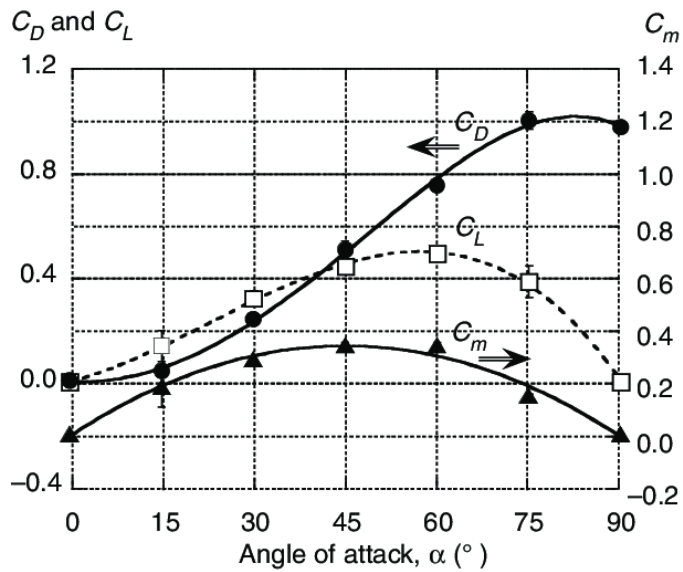


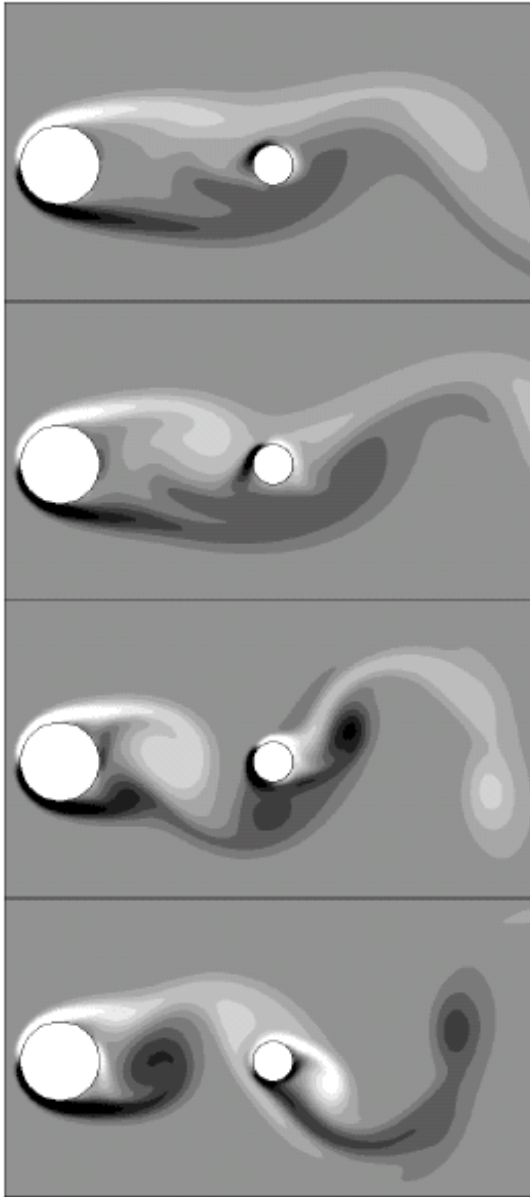
Photo: Flight dynamics of the screw kick in rugby,  
K. Seo, O. Kobayashim, M. Murakami

For round cross-section,  
 $\partial F / \partial \beta = 0$  ;  $c_1 = c$   
 but for complicated cross-section is possible  
 $[\partial F / \partial \beta] [1 / U] \ll 0$



Photo: hin.no

For icing, value of  
 $[\partial F / \partial \beta] [1 / U]$   
 is hard to predict



## Interferences

Next cable in Bénard – von Kármán vortex street - interactions between vibrations of next cable and vibrations of first cable. For very small distance between cables there is possible feedback from next to first.

## Rain-wind induced vibration

Raindrops on the surface of the rope changes the aerodynamic coefficients. As a result there are specific vibrations of cable and, additionally, feedback between vibrations and position of raindrops rivulet.

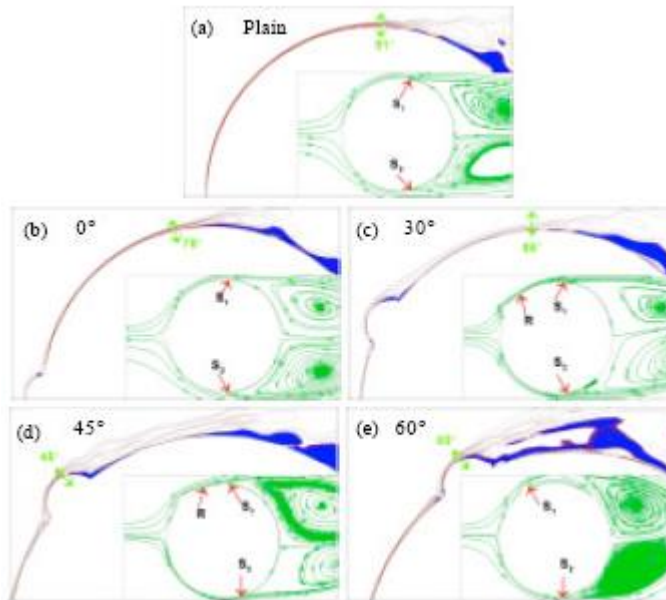


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## Aerodynamic divergence

Type of instability (aerodynamic buckling). Due to aerodynamic torsional moment for specific shape of cross-section, structure rapidly changes configuration from one stable position to other (snap-through buckling). Phenomenon danger for bridges (examples: Myślenice footbridge)



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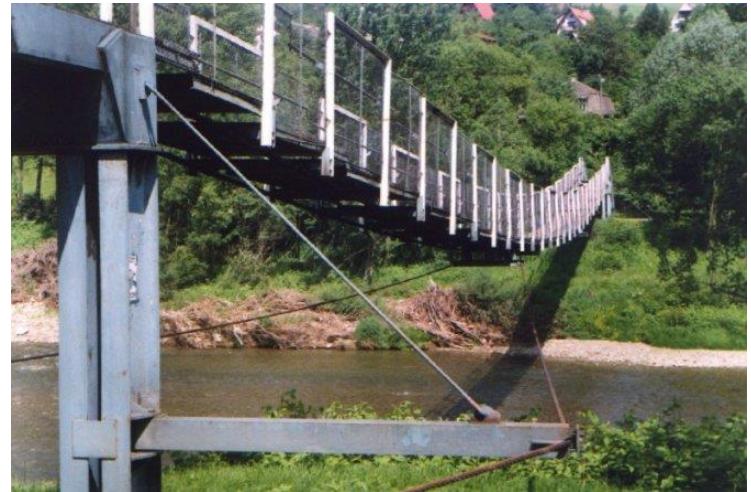


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## Flexural-torsional flutter

Phenomenon similar to galloping. Due to specific shape of cross-section, there are non-zero values of lift aerodynamic force (as for galloping) and aerodynamical torsional moment. There is possible positive feedback between amplitudes of both types of vibration (bending and torsional). Amplitudes will increase to destruction of structure. Phenomenon danger for bridges (example: Tacoma Narrow Bridge).



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## Membrane flutter

Vibrations (often resonant and near-resonant vibrations) of roof membranes / cable nest structures due to wind actions. Well-known example of it phenomenon is flag flutter.

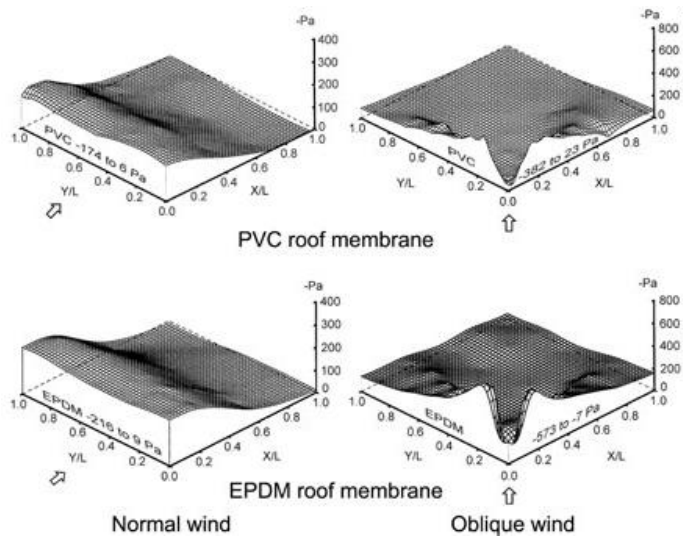


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Phenomenon	Process
Buffeting	Chaotic vibration along wind, no resonance
Bénard – von Kármán vortex	Cyclic vibration across wind, possibility of resonance
Galloping	Increasing amplitude of vibration to destruction of structure
Interferences	Disturbance of wind flow around object, resulting in vibrations of other very close objects
Rain-wind induced vibrations	Rivulets of water on cables change their aerodynamic characteristics
Aerodynamic divergence	Aerodynamic torsional moment increases with angle of twist of object (positive feedback moment ↔ angle)
Flexural-torsional flutter	Positive feedback (amplitude of vertical vibrations) ↔ (amplitude of torsional vibrations)
Membrane flutter	Positive feedback (deformations) ↔ (forces stimulating deformations)

# Prevention

Change of dynamical characteristics of structure by additional mass or additional ropes between main cables;

Additional elements on surface of cables (change flow of wind, reduction galloping and rain-wind induced vibrations)



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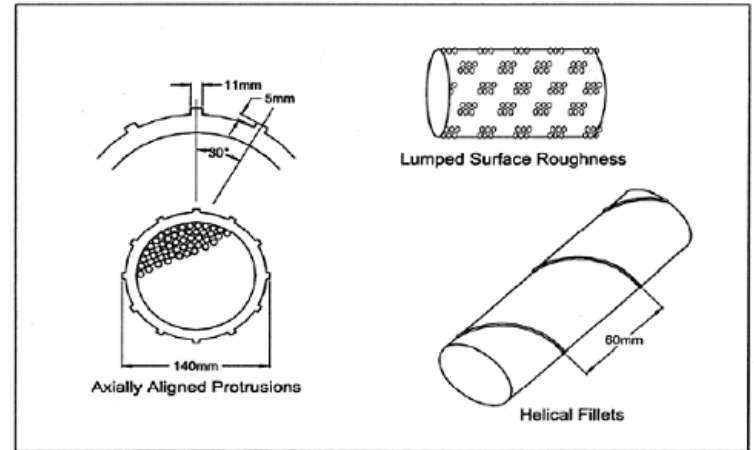


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# Dumping



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Anchorage &  
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vibrations  
damper

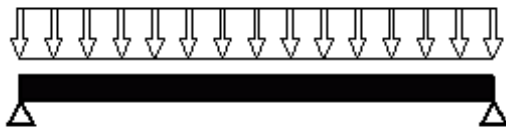
Transversal  
vibrations  
damper

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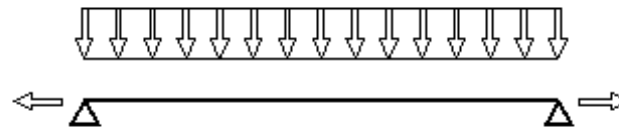
Transversal vibrations dampers are important to minimise bending stresses at the anchorage ( $\rightarrow \# t / 35, 46$ )

## Static and dynamic calculations of single tension member

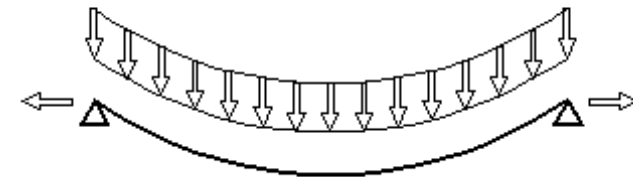
There are many problems with static and dynamic calculations for cables. Complications are presented, based on deflection of cables  $\Delta$  and first eigenfrequency  $f$  in comparison to one-span simple supported beam.



Beam



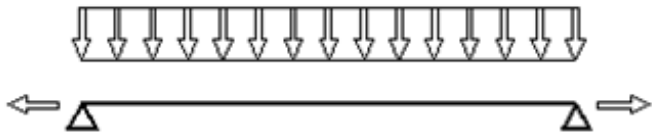
Tension member  
(small deflection)



Tension member  
(big deflection)

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Tension member  
(small deflection)



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Stays in truss (tension members group A)

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Cable-stayed bridges (tension members group B, C)



Short guys & stays (tension members group B, C)

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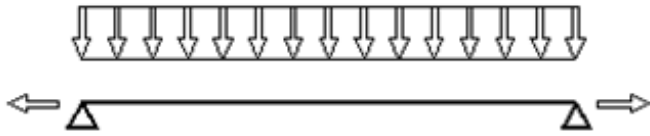


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Generally: rather short members or members with big value of tension force.

Frequently used solution is the use of tensioning devices, e.g. heavy pulleys maintaining a more or less constant tension force. Thanks to this, tendon axis remains almost straight even in case of large perpendicular loads.

Tension member  
(big deflection –  
generally tension  
members group B, C)

Photo: Author

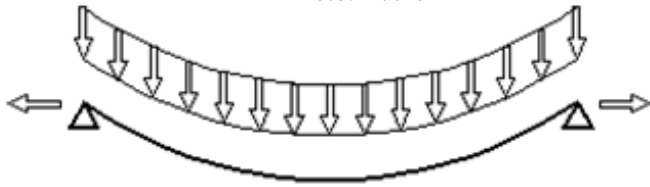


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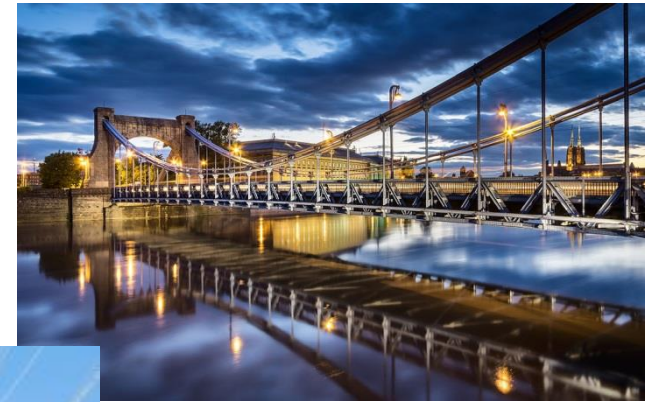


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Suspension roofs

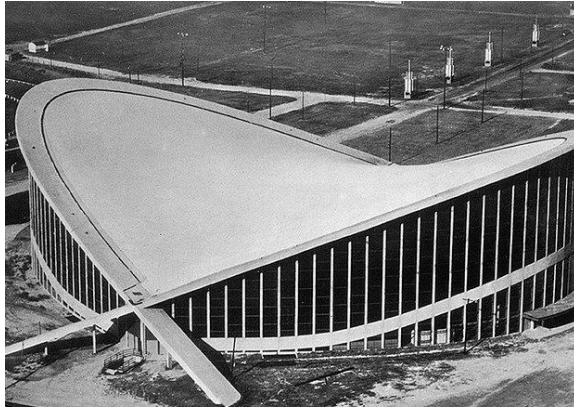


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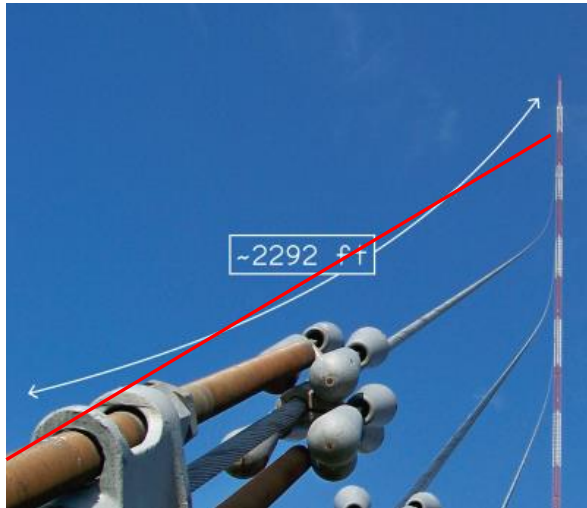
Suspension bridges



Electro-energetic lines

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Ropeways



Long guys & stays

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## Static calculations

Generally, there is relationship between deformation, load and static stiffness of structure:

$$\text{deformation} = \text{load} / \text{static stiffness}$$

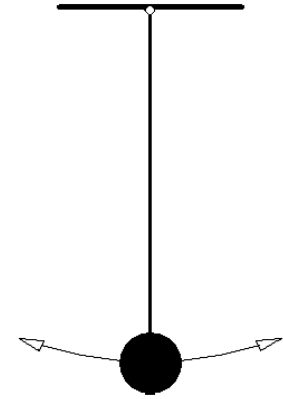
This relationship derives from fundamental relationship for steel:

$$\varepsilon = \sigma / E$$

$\varepsilon$  – effect of deformations,  $\sigma$  – effect of loads,  $E$  – stiffness parameter

## Dynamic calculations

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Basic dynamic characteristics of structures → Lec #7 / 23 - 30

Generally, for one degree of freedom, there is relationship for frequency, mass and dynamic stiffness:

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{k / m}$$

There is possible for both cases calculate specific value:

- static stiffness
- dynamic stiffness

according to formulas:

$$\text{deformation} = \text{load} / \text{static stiffness}$$

$$\text{frequency} = \sqrt{(\text{dynamic stiffness})} / \sqrt{(\text{mass factor})}$$

## Beam

**Load:  $g$**  [N / m]

$EJ$  [N m<sup>2</sup>]

**Mass factor:  $\mu$**  [kg / m]

$L$  [m]

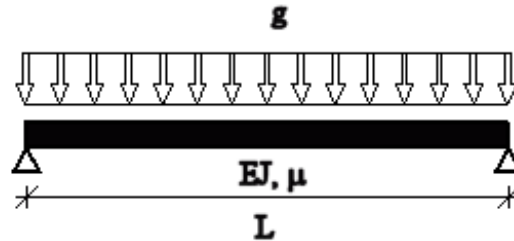


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Parameter	Value		Stiffness (static or dynamic)
$\Delta$ [m]	$5 g L^4 / (384 EJ)$	$g / k_{\text{stat}}$	$384 EJ / (5 L^4)$
$f$ [Hz]	$\pi \sqrt{(EJ) / (2L^2 \mu)}$	$\sqrt{(k_{\text{dyn}}) / \mu}$	$\pi^2 EJ / (4 L^4)$

Both stiffnesses are independent on change of loads  $g$  (ice coating or perpendicular loads from wind); they have constant value.

## Tension member, small deflection

**Load:**  $g$  [N / m]

$H$  [N]

**Mass factor:**  $\mu$  [kg / m]

$L$  [m]

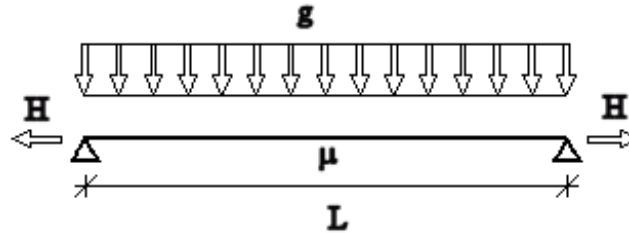


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Parameter	Value		Stiffness (static or dynamic)
$\Delta$ [m]	$g L^2 / (8 H)$	$g / k_{\text{stat}}$	$8 H / L^2$
$f$ [Hz]	$0,5 \sqrt{(H) / (L \mu)}$	$\sqrt{(k_{\text{dyn}}) / (\mu)}$	$0,25 H / L^2$

Situation is much more complicated, than for beam. H it's initial horizontal tension force, which changes due to change of loads (additional ice coating or perpendicular loads from wind). There are nonlinear relationships between  $\Delta H$  and  $\Delta g$ .

- big H or small  $\Delta g \rightarrow \Delta H$  can be negligible  $\rightarrow$  linear calculation  $\rightarrow$  there can be defined static and dynamic stiffness of constant value (small deflection);
- small H or big  $\Delta g \rightarrow \Delta H$  can't be negligible  $\rightarrow$  nonlinear calculation  $\rightarrow$  static and dynamic stiffness depends on type of loads and have various values for various combinations of load (big deflection); this impact can be much more important and much more complicated in comparison to „classical” second-order effect in bar structures.

## Tension member, big deflection

**Load:  $g$**  [N / m]

$H$  [N]

**Mass factor:  $\mu$**  [kg / m]

$L$  [m]

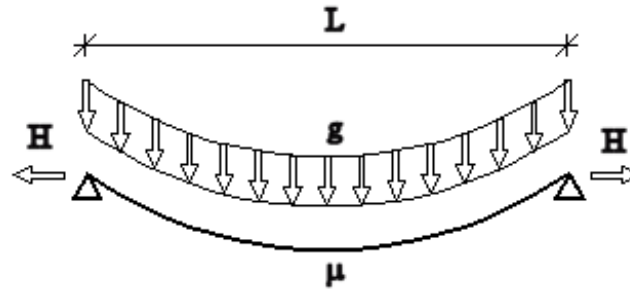


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$$k = H / g$$

Parameter	Value	Stiffness (static or dynamic)
$\Delta$ [m]	$k [ \cosh (L / 2k) - 1 ]$	We can't present formula as $g / k_{\text{stat}}$
$f$ [Hz]	$\rightarrow \#t / 82$	We can't present formula as $\sqrt{(k_{\text{dyn}})} / \sqrt{(\mu)}$

Stiffness depends on change of loads  $g$  (ice coating or perpendicular loads from wind): change of loads changes value of initial force  $H \rightarrow$  change of stiffness  $\rightarrow$  nonlinear calculations.

For big deflection we can't make assumption, that after change of  $g$ ,  $H = \text{const.} \rightarrow$  always nonlinear calculations.

$$f = (1 / 2\pi) \sqrt{\{[2(u' + u'') \sin \alpha \cos^2 \alpha - (u''' + u'''' ) \cos^3 \alpha] / [\lambda (2u' \operatorname{tg} \alpha + u'' - u)]\}}$$

$u = u(\alpha)$  - normal component of vibrations ;  $\lambda = H / g^2$

Solution of this formula depends on  $L, H, g, \mu$  in nonlinear way. We need additional calculations for define relationship  $u = u(L, H, g, \mu)$

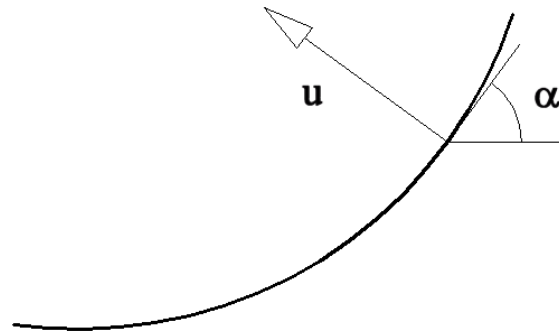


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But, additionally,  $H$  depends on change of  $\Delta g$  in strongly nonlinear way. There are two degrees of nonlinearity:

- nonlinear relationships between  $\Delta$  and  $g$  (by cosh) and between  $f$  and  $\mu$  (by nonlinear solution of differential equation of the third degree);
- nonlinear relationship between  $\Delta g$  and  $\Delta H$  for static calculation and nonlinear relationship between  $\lambda$  and  $g$  for dynamic relationship.

There is never possible for big deflection to define values of static and dynamic stiffnesses. This concept – stiffness of constant value – does completely not exist in relation to them. In every second, due to change of wind load, tension member has different „stiffness”.

## Conclusions

Member	Static stiffness	Dynamic stiffness	Comments
Beam	$\sim EJ / L^4$	$\sim EJ / L^4$	d.s. $\approx$ s.s.
Tension member, small deflection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ linear calculations: <math>\sim H / L^2</math></li> <li>or</li> <li>◆ nonlinear calculations, stiffness not defined</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ linear calculations: <math>\sim H / L^2</math></li> <li>or</li> <li>◆ nonlinear calculations, stiffness not defined</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ linear calculations: d.s. <math>\approx</math> s.s.</li> <li>or</li> <li>◆ nonlinear calculations, stiffness not defined</li> </ul>
Tension member, big deflection	nonlinear calculations only, stiffness is not defined	nonlinear calculations only, stiffness is not defined	◆ nonlinear calculations, stiffness not defined

## Examples of structures

- Exhibition halls
- Sport facilities
- Entertainment centres
- Special industrial facilities
- Special transport facilities
- Landmarks
- Bridges

Comparison of dimensions:

Kraków Main Square: 200x200 m;

Hejnalica: 82 m;

Distance: Cracow University of Technology - Wawel Hill: 2 000 m;



Photo: wikipedia

Kraków Main Square: 200x200 m;  
Hejnalica: 82 m;

## Examples of structures

Stadnion Narodowy,  
Warszawa

length 270 m  
width 240 m  
height 100 m

Suspension roof

Photo: muratorplus.pl





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Dorton Arena (Paraboleum),  
Raleigh

Soprt arena, entertainment center

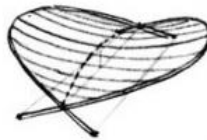
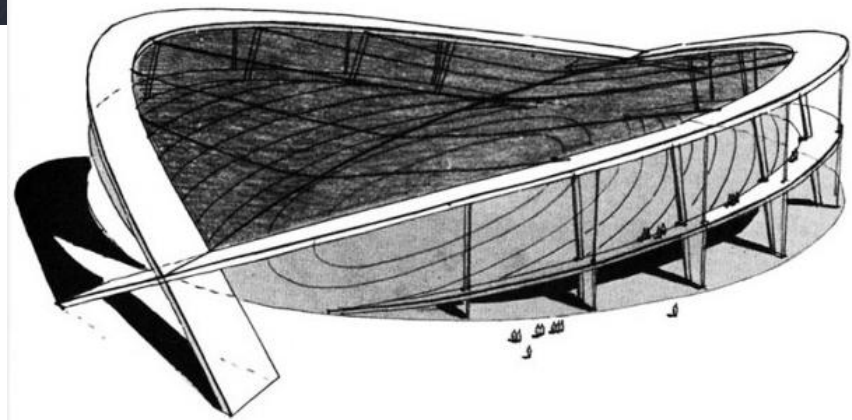
length 97 m

width 92 m

height 27 m

Suspension roof

Photo: culture.pl



Kraków Main Square: 200x200 m;



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Khan Shatyr, Astana

Entertainment center

length 200 m

width 160 m

height 150 m

Suspension roof

Kraków Main Square: 200x200 m;

Hejnalica: 82 m;



Photo: en.tengrinews.kz

Millenium Dome (O2  
Arena), London

Entertainment center

diameter 365 m  
height 52 m

Suspension roof



Photo: wikipedia

Kraków Main Square: 200x200 m;

Hejnalica: 82 m;

Cooling tower,  
Schmehausen

diameter 91 - 84 - 146 m  
height 180 m

Cable net



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Kraków Main Square: 200x200 m;  
Hejnalica: 82 m;

Ropeway Eibsee, Zugspitze  
span 3 213 m

The longest span of ropeway in the  
world



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Distance: Cracow University of Technology – Krak  
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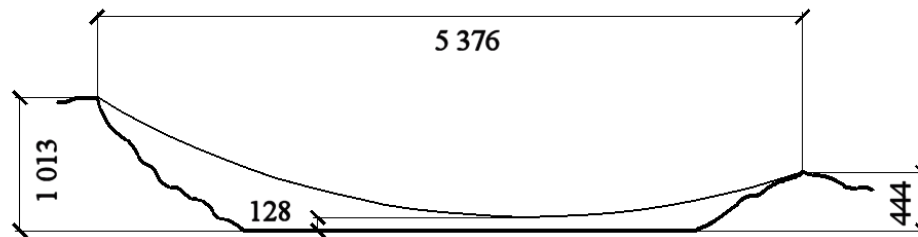
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Powerline

span 5 376 m

The longest span of powerline in the world

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Distance: Cracow University of Technology - Wawel Hill: 2 000 m;

# Changtai Yangtze River Bridge

main span 1 176 m

Distance: Cracow University of Technology – Mariacki Church: 1 150 m;



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1915 Çanakkale Bridge, Stambul  
main span 2 023 m

Distance: Cracow University of Technology -  
Wawel Cathedral: 2 000 m;

## Examination issues

Types of tension members

Loads and aerodynamical phenomenons, acting on tensile structures

Beam, tension member with small and big deflection - similarities and differences

Tension components - elementy ciągnowe

Suspension - wiszący

Cable-stayed - podwieszony

Ribbon - wstęgowy

Guy - odciąg

Stay - stężenie ciągnowe

Sag - zwis

Wire - drut

Rope - lina

Bundle - wiązka

Stand - splotka

Thread - gwint

Socket - tuleja zaciskowa

Strand - splotka

Strand rope - lina splotkowa wielozwita

Spiral rope - lina spiralna jednozwita

Spiral strand rope - lina splotkowa jednozwita

Fully locked coil rope - lina zamknięta

Minimum breaking force - minimalna siła zrywająca

Breaking force factor - współczynnik siły zrywającej

Fill factor - współczynnik wypełnienia

Spinning loss factor - współczynnik strat na zwicie

Catenary - zwis

Saddle – siodło

Clamp - zawiesie

Bénard - von Kármán vortex - wiry Bénarda - Kármána

Galloping - galopowanie

Bénard - von Kármán vortex street - ścieżka wirowa

Thank you for attention

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