



PIANC WORKSHOP

'MITRE GATE DESIGN and OPERATION'

6 November 2017

Brussels – BELGIUM

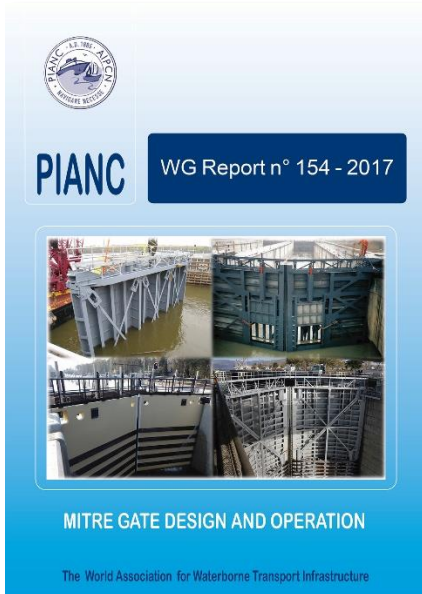
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*In the framework of
the PIANC InCom Report n°154*

A similar conference (in French) will be organised in Paris on 7 November 2017,
with most of the same speakers.

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!!! Maximum 80 participants including a maximum of 20 YP's/students!!!



The workshop on 6th Nov. is a one day event to launch and promote the new PIANC Report n°154 on **Mitre Gate Design and Operation** (published by PIANC in August 2017).

We will start by a presentation of the new PIANC Report by the members of the WG (focusing on the new innovative concepts – with an updated state of art), followed by an open forum with worldwide experts discussing about the lessons learnt from mitre gate failures that happened recently in several navigation locks.

REGISTRATION

<http://www.workshopregistration.pianc.org/workshopmitregate.htm>

AGENDA

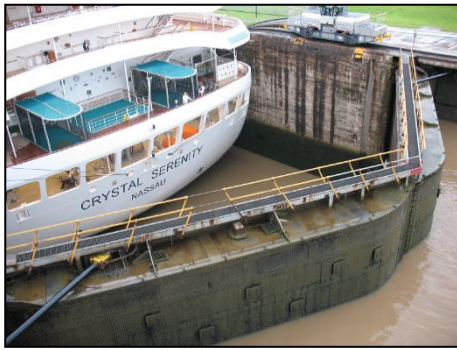
- 8:00 Arrival - PIANC Headquarter Brussels
- 8:20 **Welcome** by Philippe Rigo, PIANC InCom Chair
- 8:30 - 10:15 **MITRE GATES DESIGN AND OPERATION – Part 1**

Presentation of the PIANC Report n°154 on Mitre Gates (*)

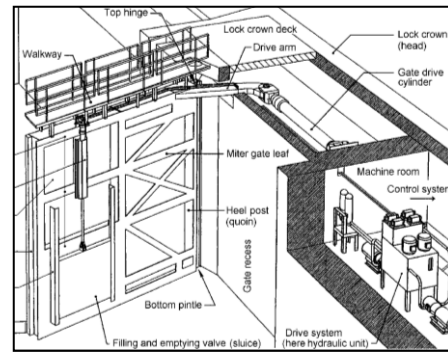
Chair: Fred Joers, Moderator: Philippe Rigo

Focus on the new innovative concepts & updated state of art by

- Fred Joers (USACE, USA): Introduction
- Ryszard Daniël, PhD. Eng. (RADAR Structural, NL): Load transfer, Hinge, Pivot, ...
- Joshua Repp (Bergmann Assoc., USA) – Mitre Gate Design



Mitre Gates of the 1st & 2nd Set of Miraflores Locks, Panama



10:15 - 10:45 Break

10:45 - 12:30 **MITRE GATES DESIGN AND OPERATION – part 2**

Presentation of the PIANC Report n°154 on Mitre Gates (*)

Chair: F Joers, Moderator: Ph Rigo

- Jos Vorstenbosch (RWS, NL) – Materials & Use of FRP in MitreGates
- Eric Johnson (USACE, USA) – Mitre Gate Seals
- Yvan Cordier (VNF, FR) – Operations and Maintenance and Ancillary Components

12:30 - 14:00 Lunch

14:00 - 17:30: **Expert Panel**

Exchanges of experience & lessons learnt from the failures happened recently at few mitre gates,

Introduction by Fred Joers, WG154 Chair

14:00 - 15:30 **PRESENTATIONS OF THE STUDY CASES (lessons learnt)**

Moderator Ph Rigo

The following speakers will present the

- Lanaye Mitre Gates (BE), by David MONFORT, Bureau Greisch (BEG)
- Ivoz-Ramet Mitre Gates (BE), by Stéphane BARLET, SPW
- Evergem Mitre Gates (BE), by Jeroen VERBELEN, W&Z
- Cracking of USA Mitre Gates, by Eric JOHNSON, USACE, USA
- Cracking of Embedded Anchorage, by Fred JOERS, USACE, USA
- Maasbracht Lock Gates, by Jos VORSTENBOSCH, Rijkswaterstaat, NL

15:30 - 16:00 Break

16:00 - 17:15 **OPEN DISCUSSIONS**

Moderator Ph Rigo, InCom Chair, Prof. ULg

Expert Panel composed of:

- Rigoberto H. Delgado V., Panama Canal Authority
 - James Costello, TetraTech, USA
 - David Monfort, Bureau Greisch (BEG), Belgium
 - Stéphane Barlet, SPW, Belgium
 - Jeroen Verbelen, W&Z, Belgium
 - Uwe Enders, BAW, Germany
- and the PIANC WG 154 Members (*)



17:15 - 17:30 **CONCLUSION:**

Ph. RIGO, INCOM Chairman, and
Fred JOERS, WG154 Chairman on Mitre Gates (2017)

17:30- 18:00 Drink



(*) With the support of the WG 154 members:

- Frederick Joers, Eric Johnson, John D. Clarkson and Thomas Hood, USACE, USA
 - Andrew Bator, St Lawrence Seaway, Canada
 - Yvan Cordier, VNF, France
 - Richard Daniel, RADAR Structural, NL
 - Jos Vorstenbosch, RWS, NL
 - Michael Hough, TetraTech (USA)
 - Joshua M. Repp, Bergmann Associates, USA
 - Juan Ollero, INROS LACKNER, Germany,
 - Joris Meerschaert and Dieter Gevaert, SBE, Belgium
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Exchanges of experience & lessons learnt from the failures happened recently at few mitre gates

PRESENTATIONS OF THE STUDY CASES (lessons learnt)

1) Lanaye Mitre Gates (BE),



Speaker:

Name: David MONFORT
Position: Head of Department of infrastructures
Company: Study Office Greisch, (BEG)

Title: Crack Initiation on stiffeners & repair method, Downstream mitre gate - 4th lock of Lanaye (BE)

The new class VIb lock of Lanaye (225mx25m) is equipped with a downstream mitre gate. The lock water head is 14 m. The lock was inaugurated in July 2015.



One year later, a series of cracks were detected along the vertical stiffeners of both leaves of the miter gates.



A close collaboration started straight away between all the involved services (Public Administration, Contractors, Study Office, Supervising Office and Insurance). A series of investigations and additional calculations were performed (residual stresses due to welding method, combination of bending and shearing effects in the stiffeners, fatigue induced cracking,...).

The technical explanation was found out a few weeks later: the filling and emptying cycles of the lock generate a repeated local distortion of the horizontal box girders, whose webs are directly connected to the vertical stiffeners (U-rib). Local bending stresses appear and lead to fatigue cracking (oligo-cyclic phenomenon).

2) Ivoz-Ramet Mitre Gates (BE)

Speaker:

Name: Stéphane BARLET
Position: Civil servant - Project Engineer
Administration: SPW – Waterways of Liège, Belgium



Title: Ivoz Ramet (BE) - Two locks equipped with mitre gates - Two modes of transmission of the forces

The Ivoz-Ramet lock site has two locks equipped with mitre gates. The problems met in these 2 locks relate both to the transmission of the forces coming from the mitre gates to the sidewalls. Indeed, the transmission mode of the forces to the sidewalls depends of the orientation of the contact surfaces of the support blocks. When closed (under differential water level), the gates of the 1st lock transmit a part of the water pressure to the support blocks and the other part to the hollow quoin and the bottom sill ("mixed solution").

The gates of the 2nd lock transmit all forces to the support blocks only ("pure solution"). This means that the support blocks are oriented to take all the forces. Each concept has advantages and disadvantages, which may induce troubles.

Indeed, the mixed solution (1st lock) allows a better sealing but the large number of degrees of freedom reduces the control of the behaviour. At this 1st lock, an upper tie rod breaks (Figure 1) and the seal (glue) using to fix the neoprene on its supports does not resist, allowing the neoprene moving (Figure 2), inducing navigation interruption. Corrosion of the spring washer, small ship impacts and manufacturing defects (neoprene sealing) are at the origin of successive failures (problems).

On the other hand the pure solution (2nd lock) requires more precise adjustment and is very sensitive.

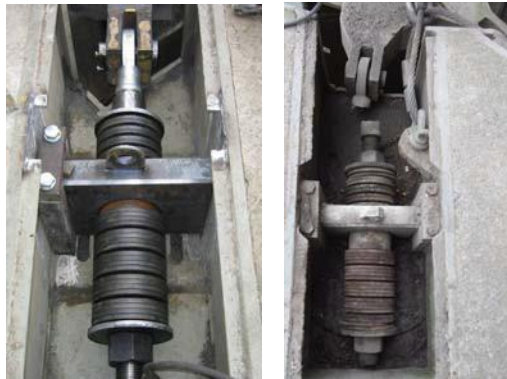


Figure 1: The "Belleville springs" elastic connexion (of the upper tie rod with the gate), which failed (cracks occurred in the springs).

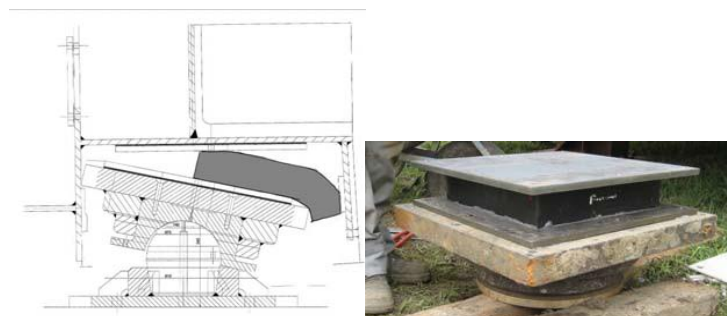


Figure 1: The lower support with the pintle (rotation around vertical axis) and a neoprene support (as in bridge) to allow heeling and a small horizontal displacement

3) Evergem Mitre Gates (BE)

Speaker:

Name: Jeroen VERBELEN
Position: Project Engineer
Administration: Waterwegen & Zeekanaal NV (W&Z)
Dpt. BovenSchelde, Flanders/Belgium



Short presentation of the technical problem(s) which occurred, the possible reasons (causes) and how the problem(s) where solved:

(5-15 lines: Start by giving the lock name (close City, Country), lock dimension and water head and explain the problem that occurred – please use pictures and drawing)

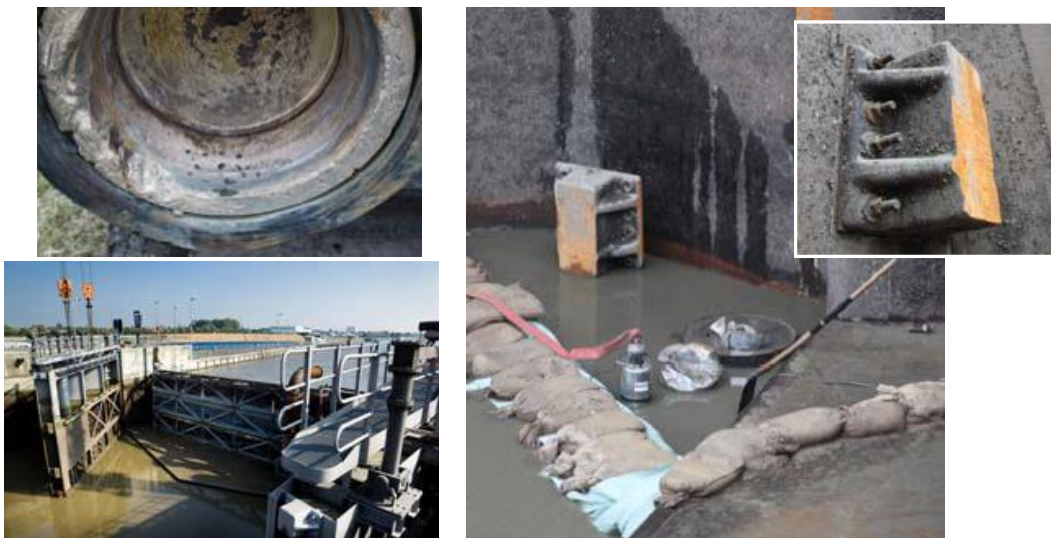
Title: Failure and adjustment of the gate alignment, Upstream and downstream mitre gates; 2nd lock of Evergem (BE)

The new class VIb lock of Evergem, near Ghent, was inaugurated in 2009. The lock has identical pairs of steel miter gates with a single leaf dimension of 14m x 8m and weight of 90 tons. The design lock water head is 3m.

In 2014 significant problems occurred when the gates reached the closed position only under a higher force (jacks). As part of a first repair was performed in March 2014. It concerned the upper connection between the gate and the pivot, which was strengthened on all gates, after a diving inspection had pointed out that almost all bolts of the upper connection were cut off. Several theoretical calculations and field investigations were made.

In August 2014 similar problems occurred during the closing of the gates. In addition a cracked pivot and some support blocks that was torn off the wall where observed. On all gates the support blocks at the back post showed severe wear. The repair strategy was threefold. First a detailed 3D alignment survey was carried out. Subsequently a virtual geometric simulation indicated that an unhindered gate motion was not possible. Finally the alignment of the rotation axis and all support blocks and seals were adjusted on all gates.

At present the lock is in full operation. The necessity of final adjustments is under investigation. Meanwhile a lawsuit against the contractor is ongoing.



4) McAlpine and Lower Granite Mitre Gates (USA),

Speaker:

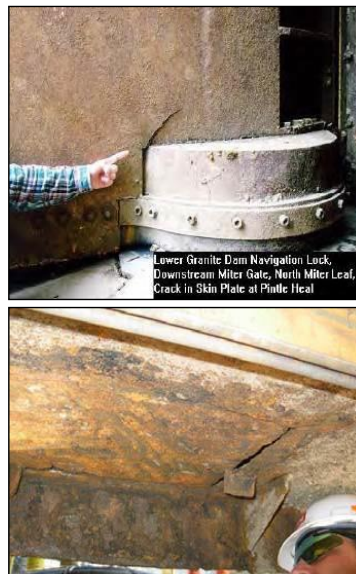
Name: Eric Johnson
Position: Structural Engineer
Administration: US Army Corps of Engineers

Title: Cracking of USA Mitre Gates near the Pintle (Bottom Pivot)

In the USA, there has been widespread problems with miter gates cracking near the pintle (bottom pivot) of the gate. The main cause is lack of bearing contact of the gate-to-wall contact blocks. When contact is lost, the large hydrostatic forces acting on the gate are transferred horizontally along the gate through the main framing beams into the pintle (pivot) instead of into the wall bearing area. This causes large localized stresses in the pintle region which when coupled with poor material fracture toughness and poor geometrical detailing leads to cracks.

In 1998, cracks were discovered in the skin plates and bottom girders of both gate leaves at the Lower Granite Lock on the Snake River in the state of Washington (See figs on the right). A variety of repair techniques were used to get the gate back into operation.

In 2004, in the McAlpine Lock on the Ohio River cracks were found, which lead to emergency repairs and temporary lock closure. The lock gates were repaired using large patch plates (See Fig bottom left).



5) Poe Lock at Soo Locks Complex (USA)

Speaker:

Name: Frederick Joers
Position: Director, Inland Navigation Design Center
Administration: US Army Corps of Engineers



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Title: Cracking of Mitre Gate Embedded Anchorage (Top Hinge)

The Soo Locks are located on the St. Marys River at Sault St. Marie, Michigan, on the international border with Canada. There are two operating locks at the Soo, the MacArthur Lock, (1943) and the Poe Lock (1968). They are critical locks since half of all steel produced

in the U.S. is manufactured with domestically mined ore and over 92 % of the iron ore mined in the U.S. traverses through the Soo Locks.

The miter gate embedded anchorages were being studied as part of a Rehabilitation Report. An analysis revealed a potential near-term risk of failure in the upper region of the embedded anchorage. The study concluded that Embedded Anchorages exceeded their life expectancy and would likely perform until they experience a "SUNNY DAY" brittle failure with little to no outward signs of distress or warning – resulting in mitre gate collapse.

Based on the study findings, concrete was removed to uncover and inspect the anchorages. Inspection found cracks where the analysis predicted. All the embedded anchorages at the lock were rehabilitated to keep lock in good operation condition.



6) Maasbracht Lock Complex (The Netherlands)

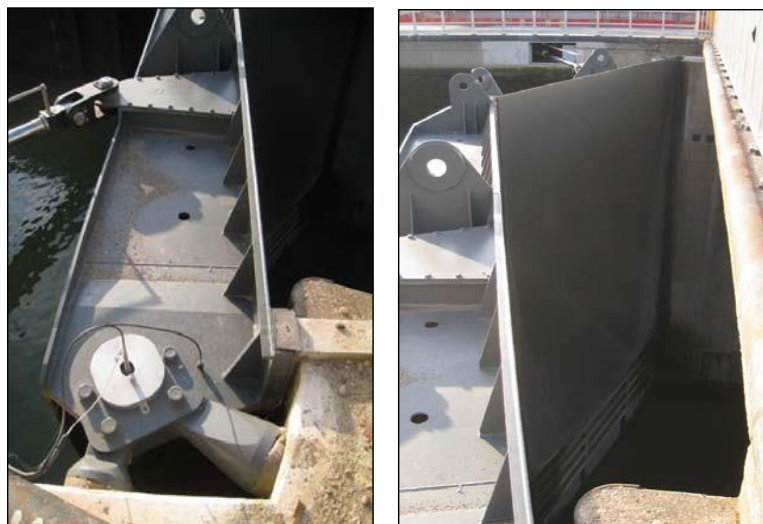


Speaker:

Name: Jos Vorstenbosch
Position: Senior Consultant
Administration: Rijkswaterstaat

Title: Maasbracht Lock Gates

The Maasbracht Locks (Sluizencomplex Maasbracht) located on the Juliana Canal in the Netherlands. A variety of interesting issues will be discussed including hinge design using FRP, anchorage failure, fatigue design of welded connections, and contact blocks using FRP.



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Mitre Gate Design and Operation

(2017)

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MITRE GATE DESIGN AND OPERATION

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- PIANC Report on Locks – 1986 (state of art)
- WG 106 - Innovations in Navigation Lock Design (2009)
- WG 151 - Impacts of seismic loads and ship impact on lock gates
- WG 154 - Miter Gate Design and Operation
- WG 155 - Ship behavior in locks and lock approaches
- **WG 173 - Movable Bridges and Rolling Gates**
- **WG 189 - Fatigue of Hydraulic Steel Structures**
- **WG 190 - Corrosion Protection of Lock Equipment**
- **WG 191 - Composites for Hydraulic Structures**
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- **WG 199 - Health Monitoring for Port and Waterway Structures**

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InCom Working Group 154
Design and Operation of Miter Gates

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Working Group 154 Terms of Reference

- The objective for the working group was to identifying “Best Practices” for the design, fabrication, and operation of lock mitre gates
- The goal for this working group was to create a compilation of mitre gate designs that discusses the benefits and disadvantages and makes recommendations for typical sized low, medium and high head mitre gates.
- This group will build upon the information provided by *WG 29 Innovative Lock Design*, *WG 129 Asset Management*, *WG151 Impacts of Seismic Loads and Ship Impact on Lock Gates* and *WG 138 M&E Lessons Learnt*.

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Working Group 154

Meetings:

September 2013 Maastricht, Netherlands

February 2014 Brussels, Belgium

September 2014 St. Catharines, Canada

April 2015 Bremen, Germany

November 2015 Paris, France

November 2016 Seattle, USA

+ conference calls/ E-mail / SharePoint website/small group meetings

Working Group 154 Design and Operation of Miter Gates

This report gives an introduction, history, and terminology distinct to mitre gates. General design aspects, advantages, disadvantages of mitre gates and other types of lock gates are discussed to aid in selection of type of lock gate used. Mitre gate design guidance from around the world is listed for comparison and aid to designers. This report provides guidance and outlines potential issues that may be encountered during the design phase of a new mitre gate. In addition to outlining general guidance, an awareness is raised of both normal and unexpected design conditions that can alter design approach, methodology, and detailing of gate features.

Working Group 154 Design and Operation of Miter Gates

Mitre gates have a long history of use with little modification to their historic geometric shape and have been adapted for many uses in navigation. There are a wide variety of conditions that mitre gates are used in with a wide variation of heights and widths. These site-specific conditions pose different advantages and disadvantages which are discussed in more detail in the report chapters. More general conclusions and recommendations are discussed at the end of the report.

Design and Operation of Miter Gates Report

1 MITRE GATE SYSTEMS

Gate Selection Process / Short History / Geometry of Gates and Recesses / Free, floating and fixed hinged systems / Horizontally and vertically framed systems / Drive Systems and connections

2 MITRE GATE COMPONENTS

Framing / Buoyancy Chambers / Top Hinge / Anchorages / Pintles / Heel (Quoin) and Mitre Blocks / Lock Filling and Emptying Valves / Diagonals / Struts / Drive Systems / Operating System Connections / Gate Controls

3 MITRE GATE DESIGN ISSUES AND GUIDANCE

Design Guides / General Load Conditions / Design and Analysis Methods / Fatigue / Connections / Bolted Mitre Gates / Flexibility/Stiffness of the Leafs and Structure / Gate Recess Design / High Lift Lock Mitre Gates

Design and Operation of Miter Gates Report

4 GATE and COMPONENT MATERIALS

- Materials for Structural Framing / Corrosion protection / Contact Materials / Seal Materials / Hinge Materials / Self-lubricating Fiber reinforced polymers / Sliding Materials / Bolts, nuts, and rivets / Anchorages in concrete / Ship arrestors

5 MITRE GATE SEALS

- Seal type/ bottom seals/ side seals/ contact surface

6 ANCILLARY COMPONENTS

- Walkways and Access / Lubrication / Mitre Guide and Alignment Features / Impact Protection Systems

Design and Operation of Miter Gates Report

7 OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

- Spare Parts / Emergency Parts / Spare Gates / Standardization of Replacement Parts / Methods of Repair / Ice and Debris Management / Inspections / Structural Health Monitoring/Cranes

8 CONCLUSIONS

- Recommendations Related to Design, Geometry and Framing/Recommendations related to analysis/Recommendations Related to Materials and Maintenance

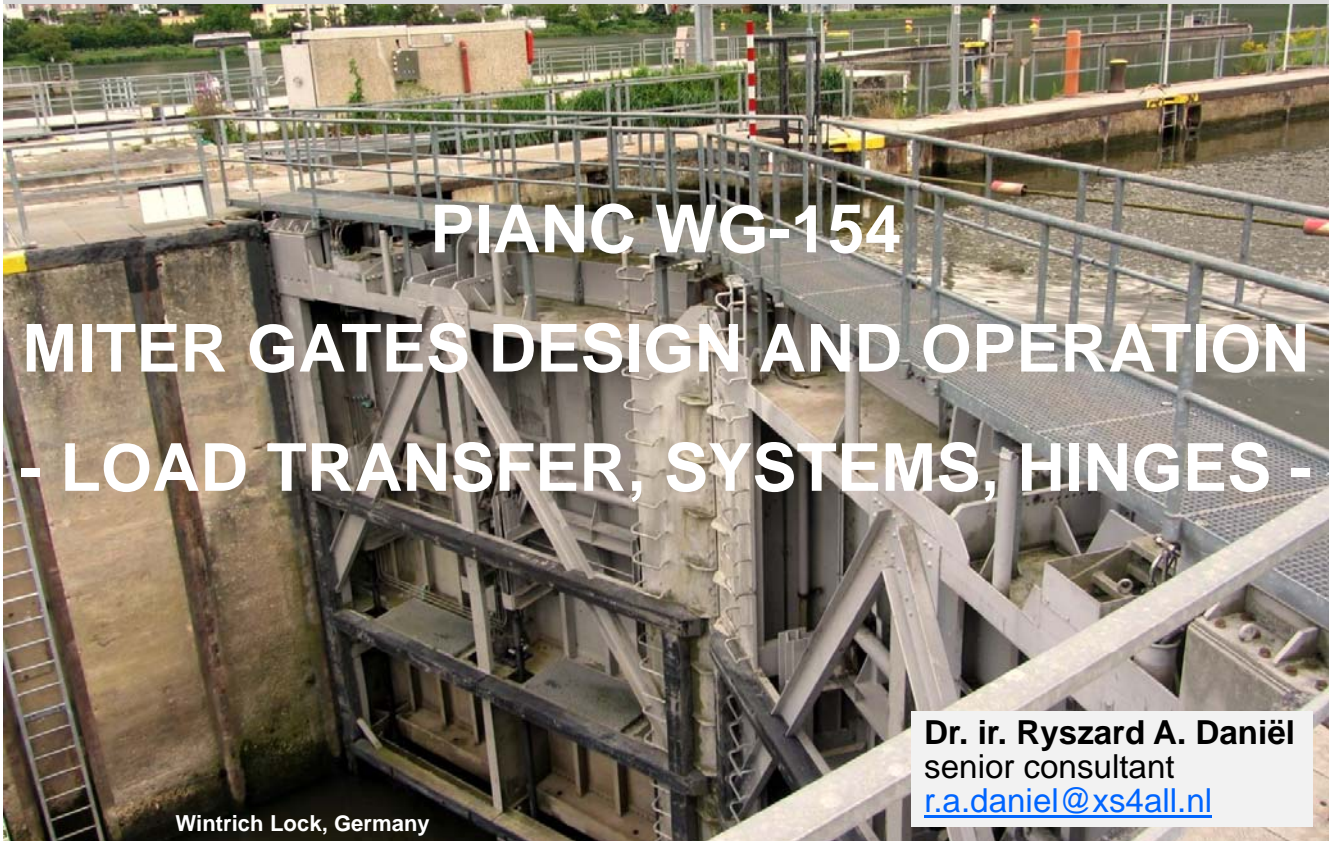
9 REFERENCES

APPENDIX A: Mitre Gate Operation Speed

APPENDIX B: Measure Leakage Rates

APPENDIX C: Cranes for Installation

APPENDIX D: Design Loads Guidance



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MITER GATES DESIGN AND OPERATION - LOAD TRANSFER, SYSTEMS, HINGES -

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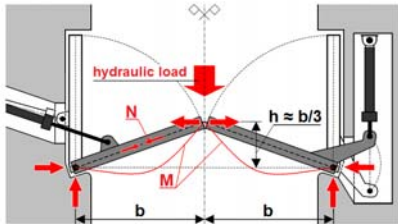
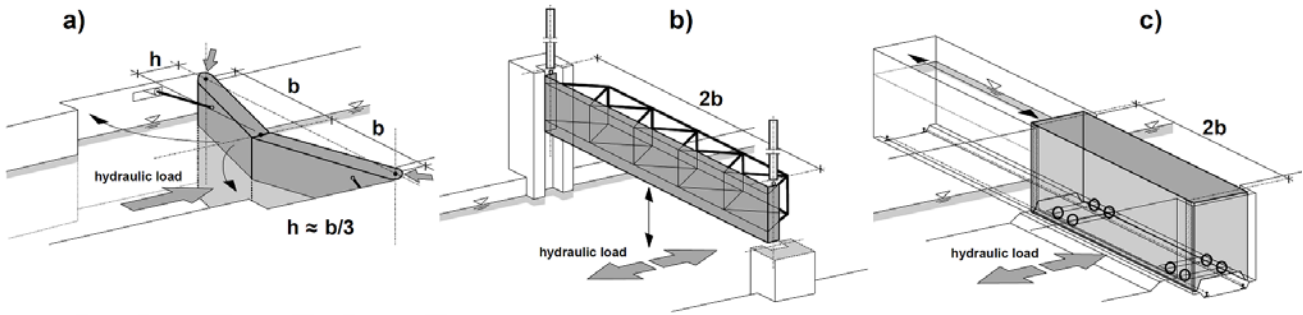
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- **What makes miter gates special**
 - Basic concept, short history
 - Advantages and disadvantages
- **Gate structural systems, classification**
- **Systems in view of hydraulic load transfer**
 - Overview, focus on hinges, pintles and quoins
 - Examples, crucial details
- **Systems in view of main girder direction**
 - Horizontally and vertically framed gates
 - American and European views, the same or different
- **Skin plate arrangements as a system criterion**
 - Possible skin plate arrangements
 - Impact of uplift loads in European gates
- **Systems in view of vertical load transfer**
 - Overview, focus on pintle issues
 - Recent views and developments
- **Systems in view of drive connection**
- **Concluding remarks**

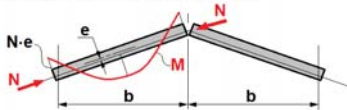


Louisville Lock, USA

WHAT MAKES MITER GATES SPECIAL?



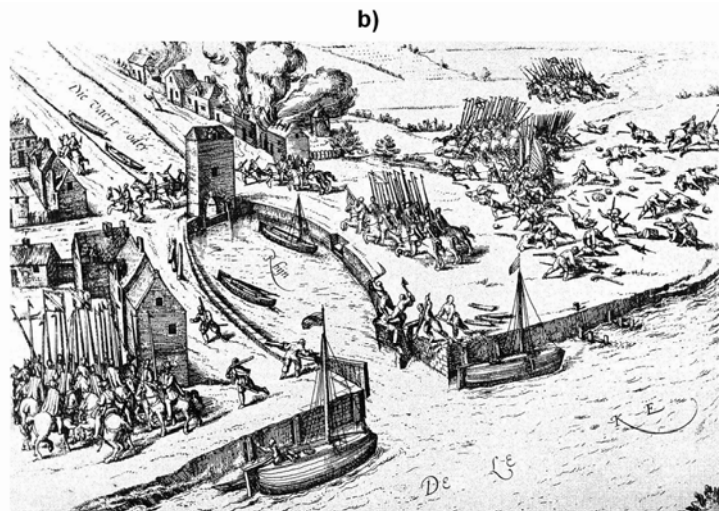
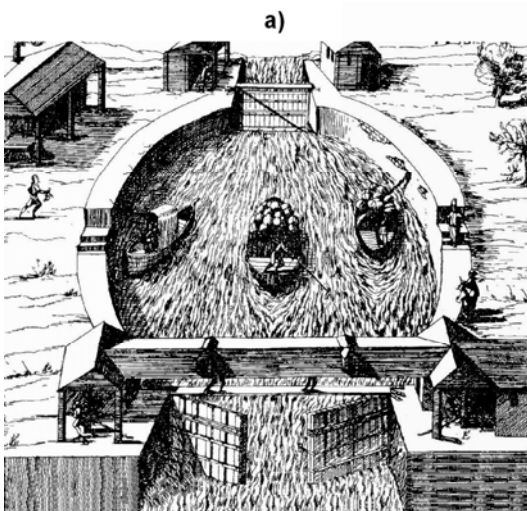
... and with eccentric compression:



- Compact spatial layout
- Shorter leaf bending span, economical
- Symmetrical, navigation friendly closing
- Can carry high differential water heads
- “Water itself seals the gate”
- Various drive arrangements possible
- Relatively low drive forces required

HOW IT ALL BEGAN ... (1)

Bertola da Novate or Leonardo da Vinci ?



Early Italian lock with a miter gate
 (after R. Pohl, Dresden University of Technology)

Netherlands' Vreeswijk Lock in XVI century
 (after G.J. Arends, Delft University of Technology)

HOW IT ALL BEGAN ... (2)

Development in XIX and XX century



Old Panama Canal lock gates
 (here Crystal Serenity in Miraflores Locks)



Bristol Portbury Lock gate (42.7 m)
 (photo F. de Crescenzo)

ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The most frequently used type of gate – well-proven technology • Sustainable principle of operation: "water head itself fixes and seals the gate" • Many different structural systems possible – nearly all in proven technology • Construction and maintenance costs low or moderate in a wide range of dimensions • Gate recesses along the lock chamber → small space consumption • No limit to overhead space for navigation → fit for locking ships of any height • Opening and closing times low or moderate • Can be constructed with entirely free lock deck – valued for special transports, mooring of large ships, emergencies, etc. • Symmetric flow patterns during opening and closing – favored by navigation • Filling and emptying devices easy to fit to gate and accessible for small maintenance • Less vulnerable to sediment and sunk obstacles than rolling gates (but care required) • In double-sided service, lock crowns can be shorter than for double sets of miter gates • Relatively easy in transport and installation due to compact dimensions of components • Architectural advantage of free horizon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single-sided operation, although low reverse loads can be carried under some provisions • Double gates required when high water heads can occur from both sides • Not economical for very wide navigation locks (e.g. sea harbors), wider than about 40.0 m • Closing under flow very difficult • Number of system components relatively high due to two sets of gate leaves and drives → increased risk of failure • Necessity to synchronize the motion of leaves • High motion resistance in wide locks → high drive energies and powerful drives required • As above, with as a result slower gate opening and closing • High loads on gate hinges during motion → wear problems by intensive operation • Gate locking necessary if water head can appear on both sides – difficult and not leak-free • Hydraulic load transfer not entirely in plane of chamber walls → massive crowns required • Very sensitive components (bottom pintles) practically inaccessible for maintenance • Gate maintenance in site possible only after (partial) dewatering of lock chamber • Operation in winter (ice floes) and in situations with floating debris can present a problem

GATE SYSTEMS - CLASSIFICATION

“EUROPEAN” VIEW:

- **Character of hydraulic load transfer:**
 - a) free hinged (load transfer through heel posts)
 - b) floating pintle (load transfer through heel posts)
 - c) fixed hinged (load transfer through hinges)
- **Direction of main girders:**
 - d) horizontally framed
 - e) vertically framed
- **Arrangements for skin plate location:**
 - f) plate girders with skin upstream
 - g) skin plate double-sided
 - h) plate girders with skin downstream
 - i) fold plate and other systems
- **Arrangements for vertical load transfer:**
 - j) bottom pintle – top hinge
 - k) bottom hinge – top pintle
 - l) support or suspension outside hinges
 - m) buoyancy tanks
- **Drive connection:**
 - n) direct to (top) girder
 - o) indirect through drive arm

The focus in all the structural systems (a) through (o) is put on the properties of the gate structure and not of its drive mechanism. When drive mechanisms are concerned, the following systems be identified:

- **Drive mechanism:**
 - p) manually driven (directly or geared)
 - q) electro-mechanically driven
 - r) electro-hydraulically driven
 - s) hydrostatically or otherwise driven

“AMERICAN” VIEW:

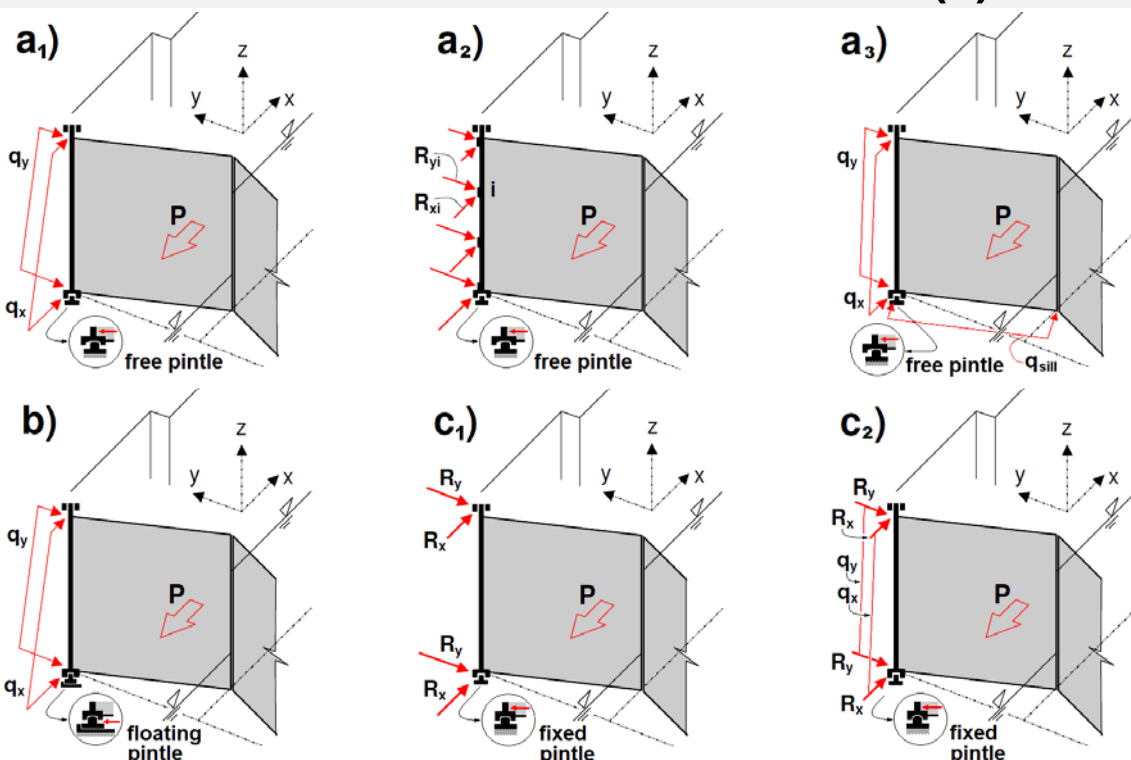


Ohio River Lock 2



Ohio River Lock 52

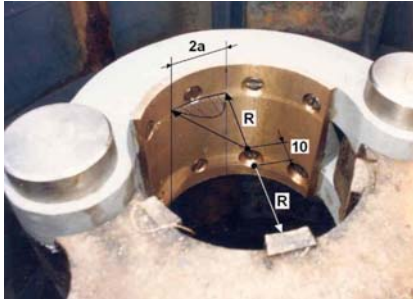
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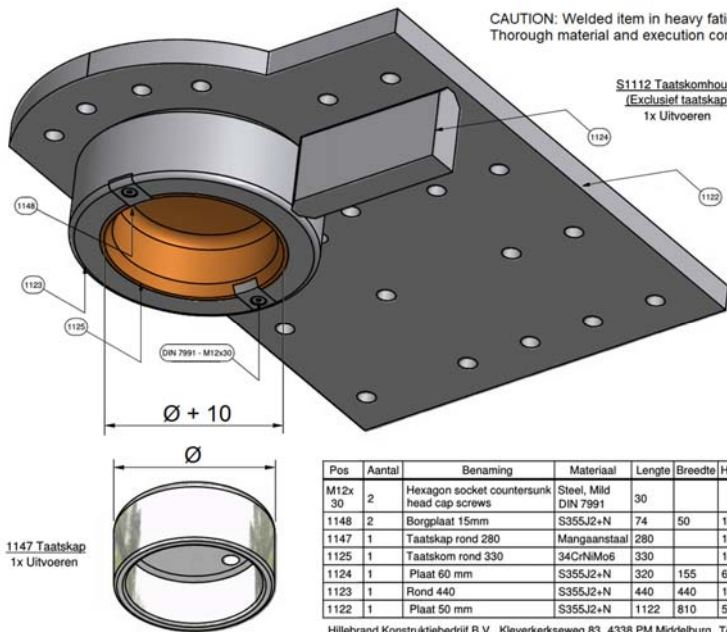
HYDRAULIC LOAD TRANSFER (2)

European free hinged gates, typical hinge assemblies:

TOP HINGE BRACKET



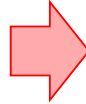
Bushing: Aluminum bronze
 Pin (in gate): Steel 34CrMo4



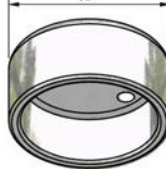
Pos	Aantal	Benaming	Materiaal	Lengte	Breedte	Hoogte	Gewicht
M12x30	2	Hexagon socket countersunk head cap screws	Steel, Mild DIN 7991	30			0,1 kg
1148	2	Borgplaat 15mm	S355J2+N	74	50	15	0,7 kg
1147	1	Taatskap rond 280	Mangaanstaal	280		140	29,0 kg
1125	1	Taatskom rond 330	34CrNiMo6	330		155	43,4 kg
1124	1	Plaat 60 mm	S355J2+N	320	155	60	21,9 kg
1123	1	Rond 440	S355J2+N	440	440	155	76,3 kg
1122	1	Plaat 50 mm	S355J2+N	1122	810	50	315,9 kg

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BOTTOM PINTLE ASSEMBLY



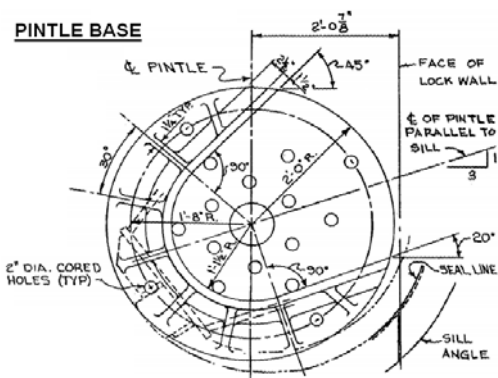
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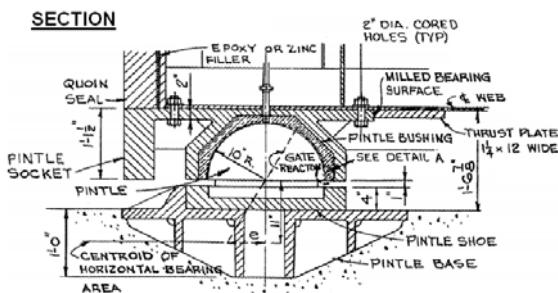
HYDRAULIC LOAD TRANSFER (3)

American floating pintle gates, typical hinge assemblies:

PINTLE BASE



SECTION

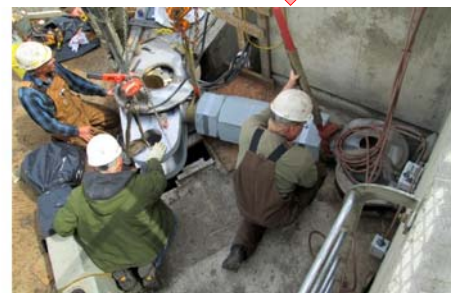


TOP HINGE

THREE-PIN ANCHORAGE



FIVE-PIN ANCHORAGE



HYDRAULIC LOAD TRANSFER (4)

2nd Lock Evergem, Belgium:

Heel post (quin) compression:



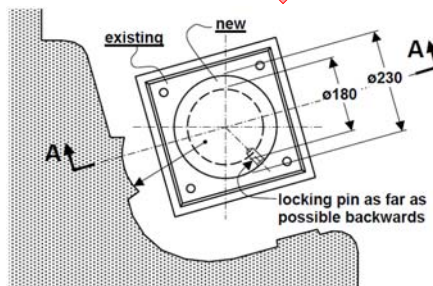
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HYDRAULIC LOAD TRANSFER (5)

Free hinged gates, new contact materials:

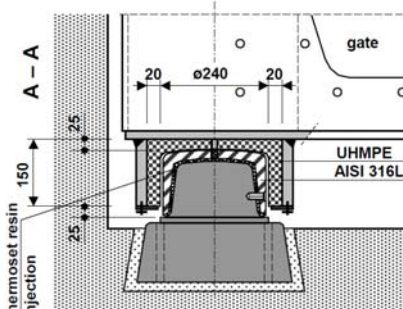
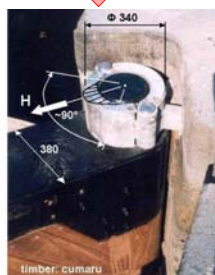
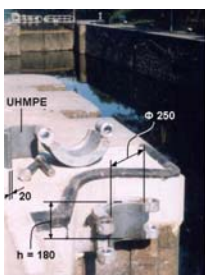


UHMPE in pintles



Detailing questioned

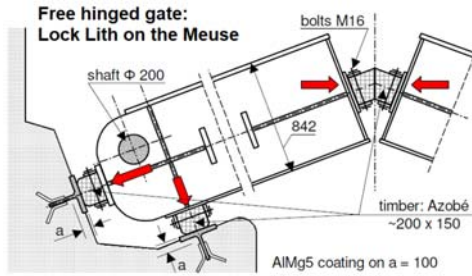
UHMPE in top hinges



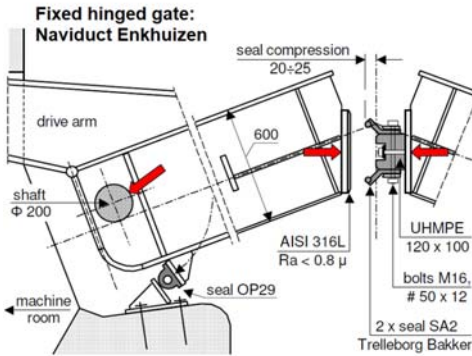
FEROFOM T814 in hinges and pintles

HYDRAULIC LOAD TRANSFER (6)

European fixed hinged gates:



Naviduct pintle cap



Naviduct pintle



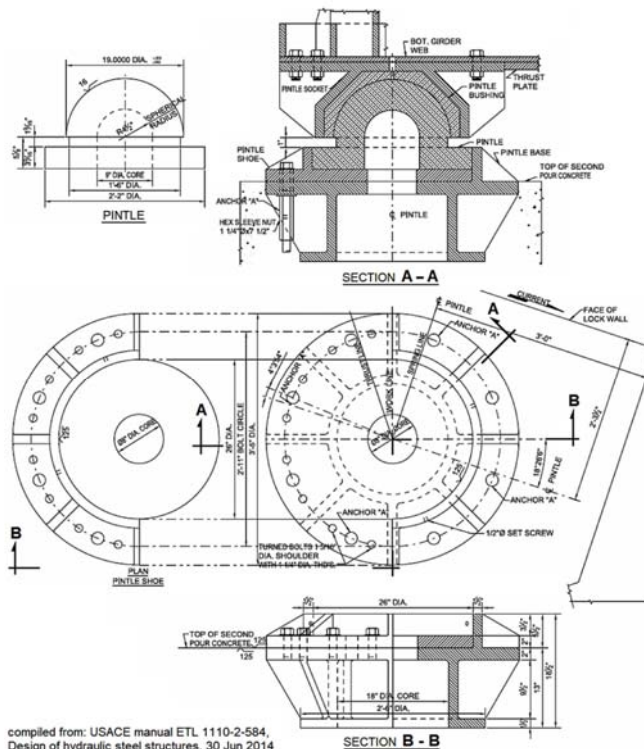
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HYDRAULIC LOAD TRANSFER (7)

American fixed hinged gates:



Louisville Lock miter gate



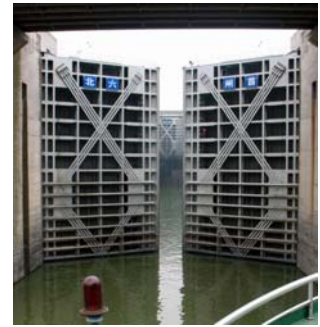
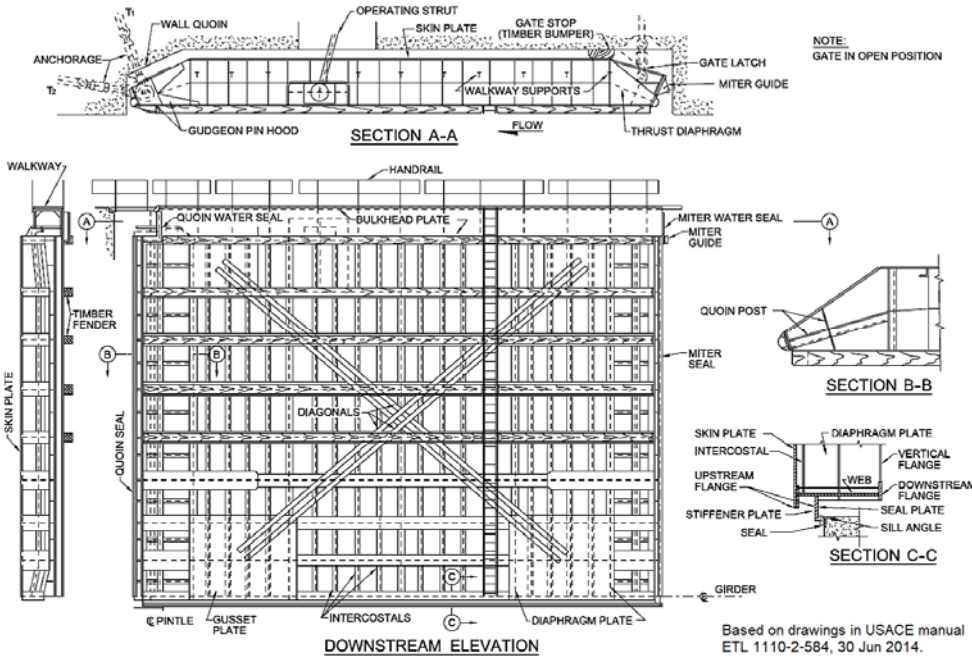
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Louisville Lock pintle assembly

MAIN GIRDER DIRECTION (1)

Horizontally framed gates:



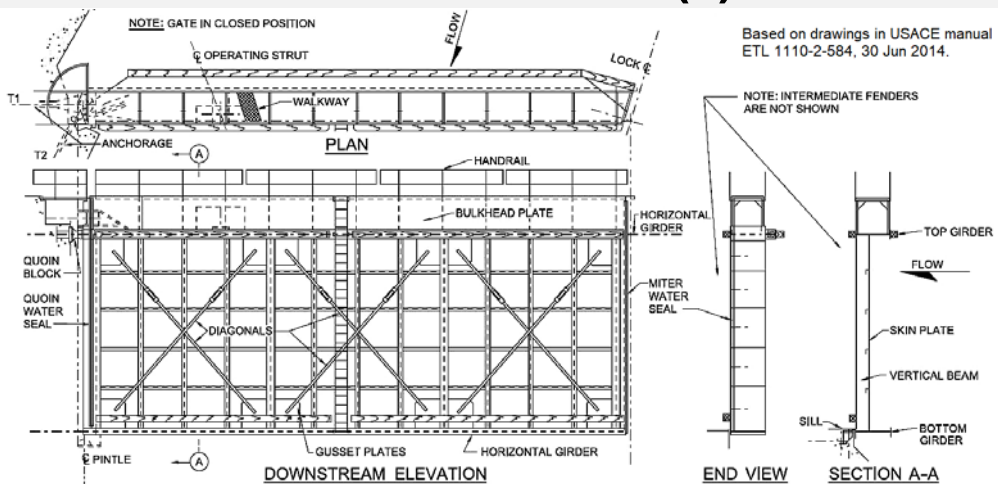
Three Gorges Lock, Yangtze, China



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MAIN GIRDER DIRECTION (2)

Vertically framed gates:



Mississippi, Lock & Dam 21, USA



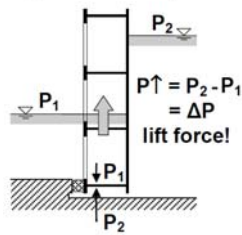
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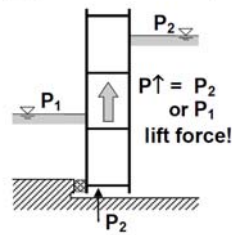
SKIN PLATE LOCATION (1)

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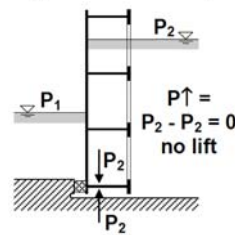
f) Plate upstream



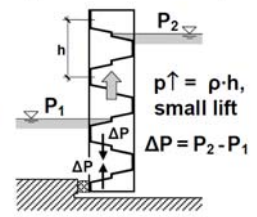
g) Plate double-sided



h) Plate downstream



i) Fold plate structure



European problem, because:



Kiel-Holtenau Lock, Germany (1895)

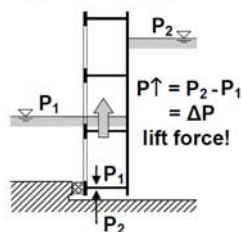


Mississippi Lock 19, Keokuk, Iowa

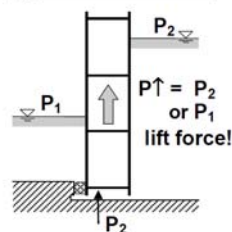
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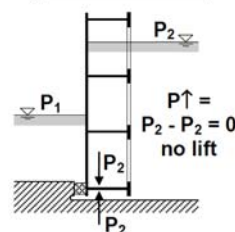
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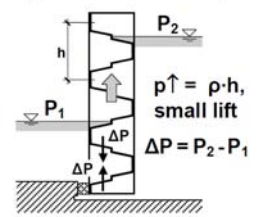
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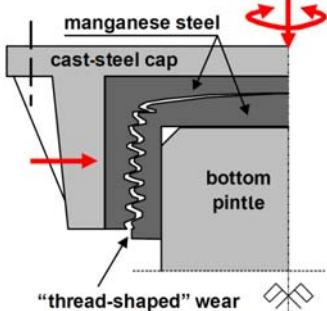
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Detail of conventional bottom pintle Problem:

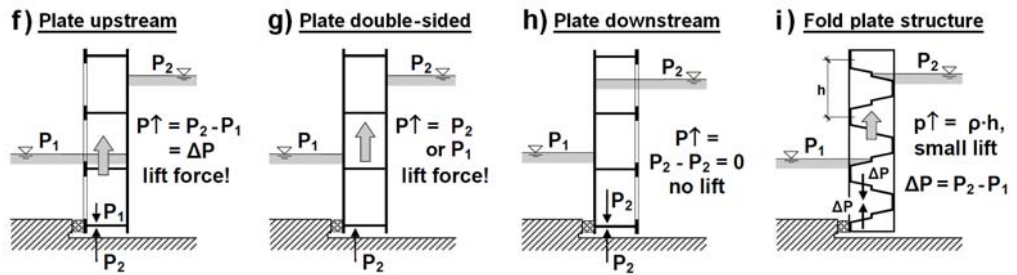


Solution: plate downstream
 Miter gates of the 2nd Lith Lock on the Meuse



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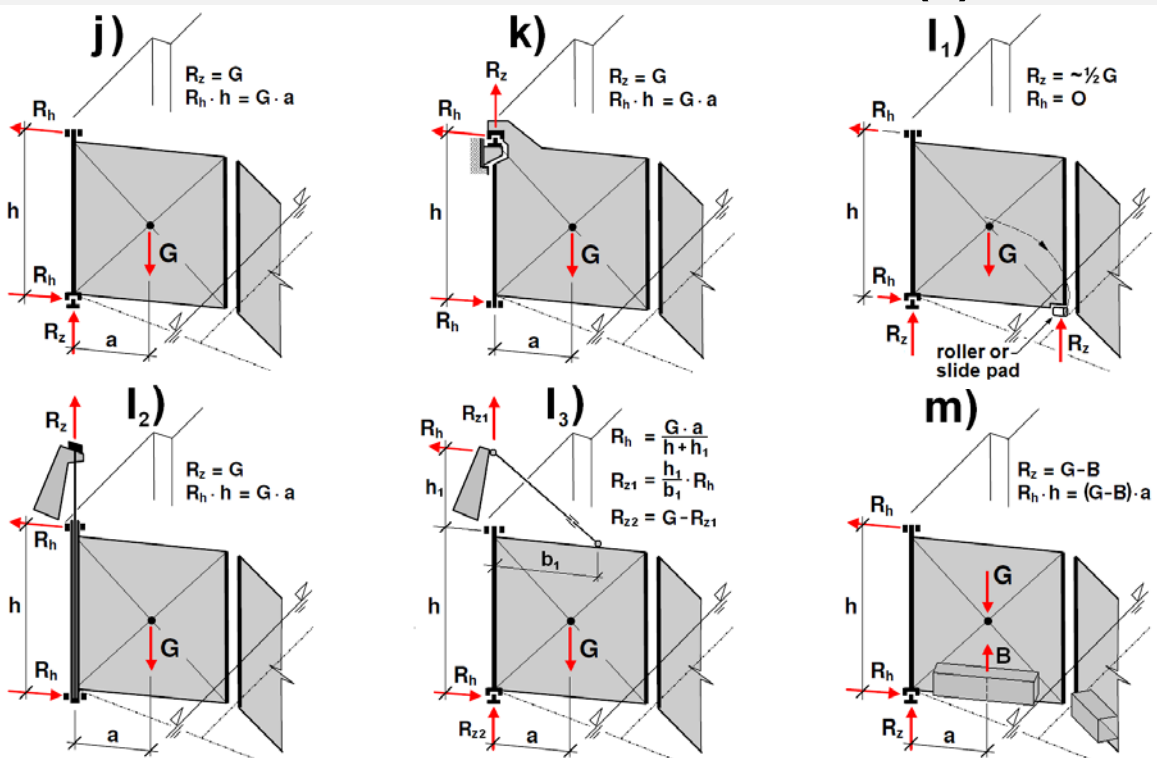


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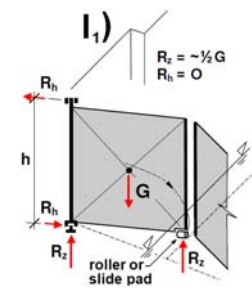
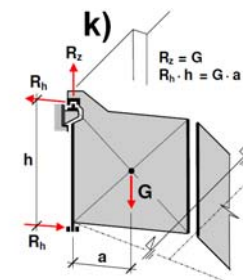
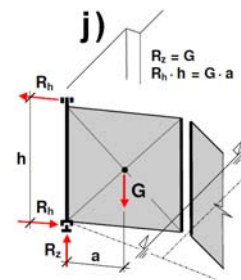
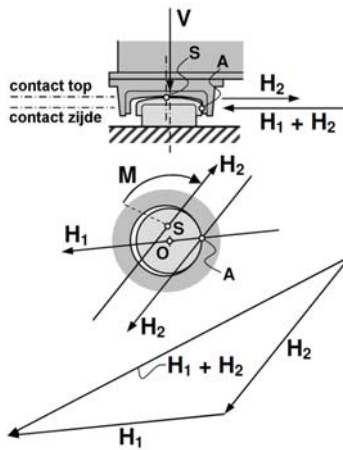
Uelzen Lock II, Germany



VERTICAL LOAD TRANSFER (1)



VERTICAL LOAD TRANSFER (2)



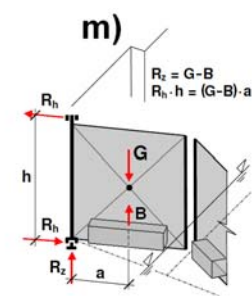
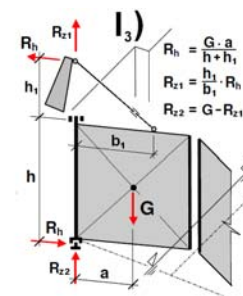
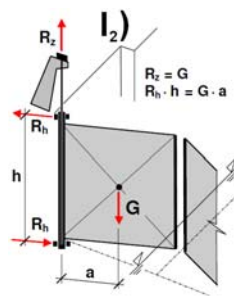
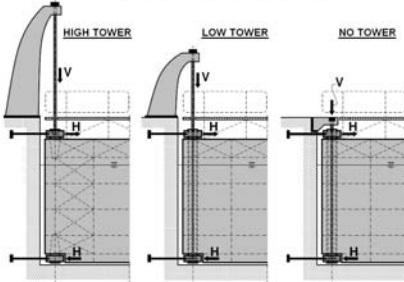
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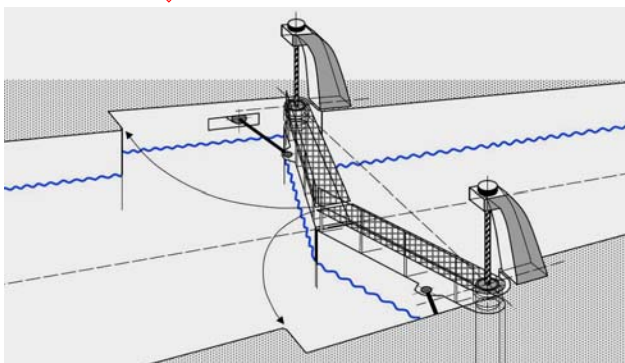
VERTICAL LOAD TRANSFER (3)

POSSIBLE OPTIONS OF SUSPENSION GATE:

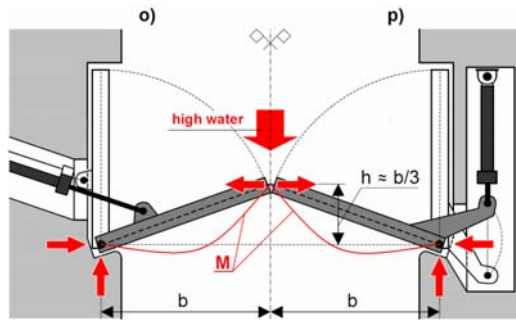


Concept, not realized yet

New Orleans, USA



DRIVE CONNECTION (1)

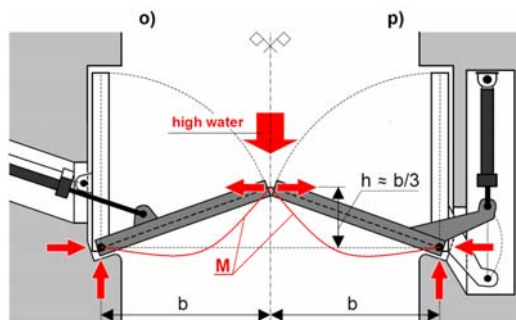


Old Born Lock on the Meuse



Orange Locks, Amsterdam

DRIVE CONNECTION (2)



BUT DRIVES ARE ANOTHER STORY

Afsluitdijk Lock, Kornwerderzand



Orange Locks, Amsterdam



CONCLUDING REMARKS:

- Miter gates are an ingenious concept of hydraulic closures; and have a long and stunning history. They are particularly favored in inland navigation locks.
- The advantages of miter gates resulted in a large number of their systems. These systems can be distinguished with respect to various aspects, like:
 - **hydraulic load transfer**
 - **direction of main girders**
 - **position of skin plate**
 - **vertical load transfer**
 - **gate drive connection**
 - **type of drive mechanism.**
- Most essential is the division in view of hydraulic load transfer. The systems are: free hinged gates, fixed hinged gates, floating pintle gates, gates without and with load transfer to sill.
- Miter gate systems require specific designs of **bottom pintles, top hinges, quoins** and seals. Both conventional and innovative arrangements are practiced.
- The most common in America is the division in view of main girder direction. It distinguishes **horizontally framed** gates and **vertically framed** gates. The latter perform particularly well in wide but relatively shallow locks.
- The **position of skin plate** affects the gate operation in many ways, including vertical load variation. This and the **vertical load transfer** lead to yet other systems. Generally:
 - Downstream skin plate location reduces uplift in European gates.
 - Vertical load transfer through top hinge becomes increasingly common.
- Gate drives are usually coupled either **directly or through lever arms** to the top girders. The latter is more complex but it offers advantages in terms reliability and maintenance.

Naviduct Enkhuizen, Netherlands

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Mitre Gate Design

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Report Overview

Part 1 (morning):

1. Mitre Gate Systems
2. Mitre Gate Components
3. Mitre Gate Design Issues and Guidance

Part 2 (afternoon):

4. Gate and Component Materials
5. Mitre Gate Seals
6. Ancillary Components
7. Operations and Maintenance
8. Conclusions
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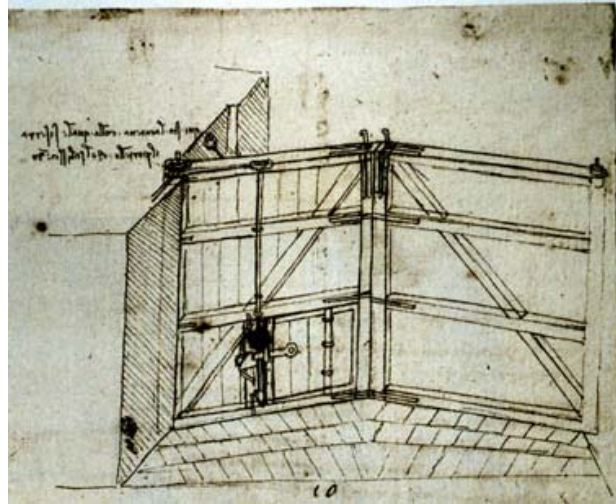
MITRE GATE DESIGN AND OPERATION

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Chapter 1: Systems

- **Goals:**

- Identify History
- Terminology
- Selection Process
- Geometry
- Structural System



Chapter 1: Gate Selection Process

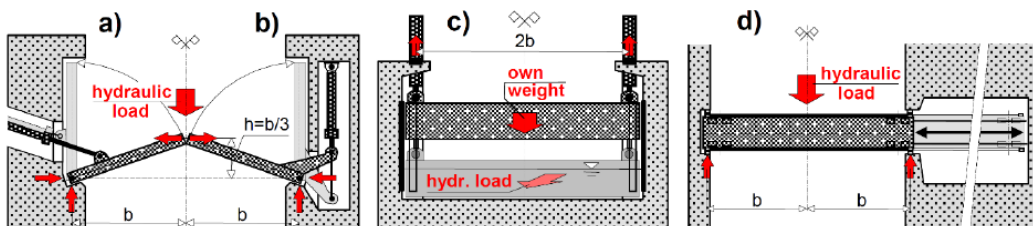


Figure 1-5: Four gate types for the Princess Moaxima Lock in Lith

Criterion	Gate Type			
	Mitre Gate (a)	Mitre Gate (b)	Vertical Gate (c)	Rolling Gate (d)
1. Total costs	+	+/-	+	--
2. Reliability	+	+	++	+
3. Navigation	+	++	-	+/-
4. Maintenance	+/-	+	+	-
5. Environment	+	+	+	-
6. Aesthetics	++	+	--	+/-
Total score	+	+	+/-	-

Key:

- ++ very good
- + good
- +/- fair
- poor
- bad

Chapter 1: Gate Selection Process (example)

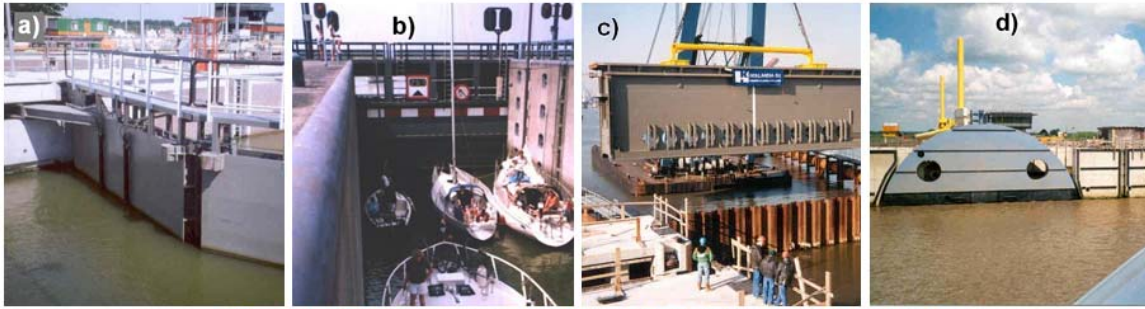
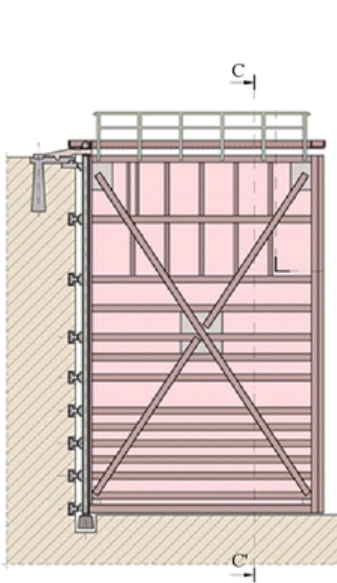


Figure 1-6 Four gate types considered for the Naviduct in Enkhuizen

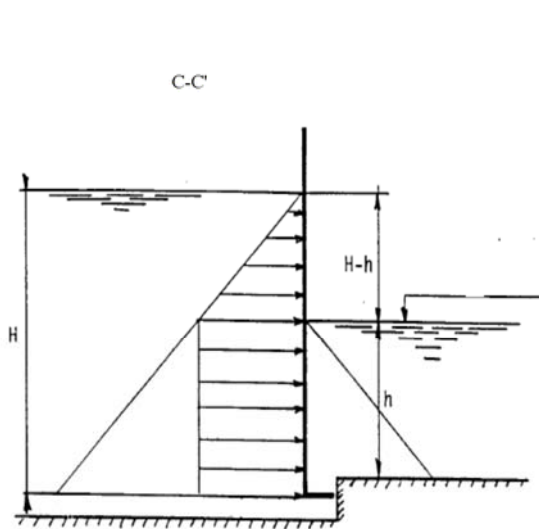
Table 1-2 Gate assessment in weighted criteria for the Naviduct in Enkhuizen

Criterion	Weight Factor	Gate Type			
		Mitre Gate (a)	Mitre Gate (b)	Vertical Gate (c)	Rolling Gate (d)
1. Total costs	.40	8	9	6	6
2. Operation	.35	9	8	8	7
3. Navigation	.10	8	7	8	7
4. Maintenance	.10	8	7	8	6
5. Environment	.05	7	7	6	7
Total score	1.00	8.30	8.15	7.10	6.50

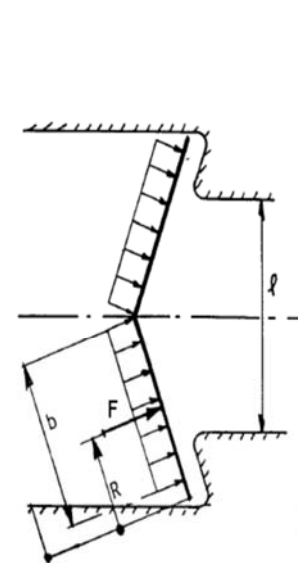
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Gate Elevation

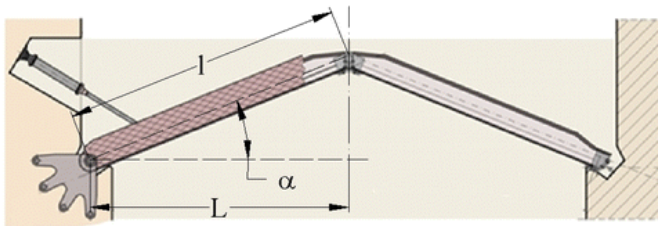


Gate Section

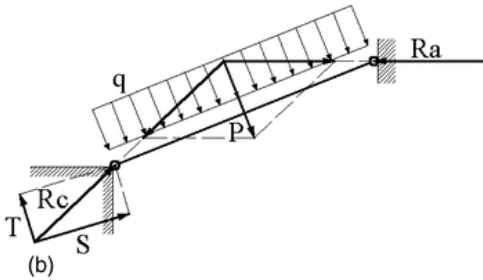


Gate Plan

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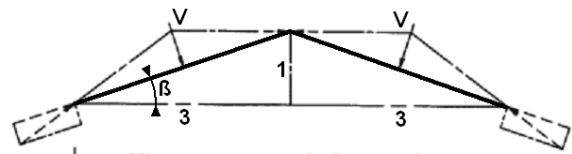
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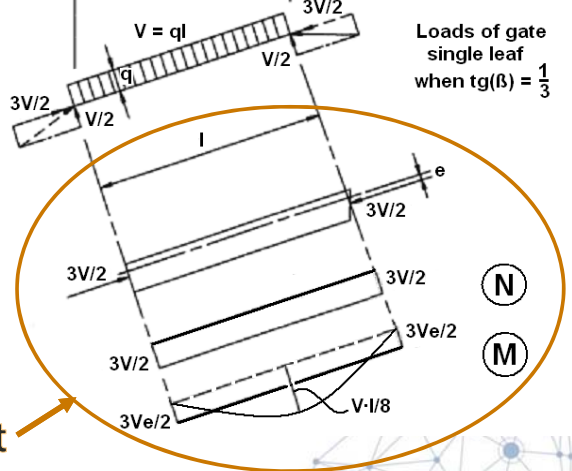
(b)

Gate Plan - End Reactions

Eccentricity lessens positive moment



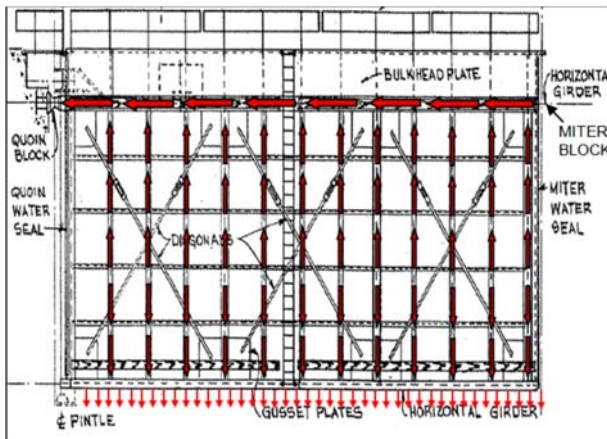
Miter gate geometrical proportions



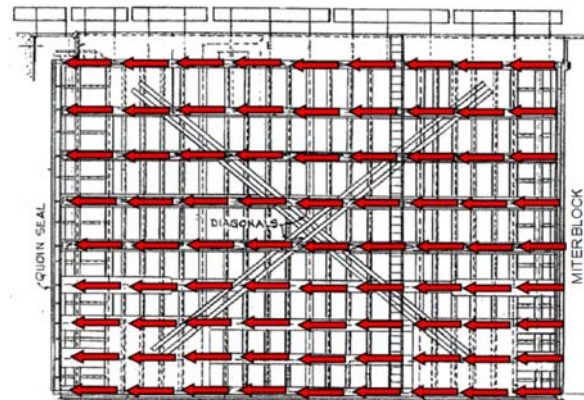
Loads of gate single leaf when $\text{tg}(\beta) = \frac{1}{3}$

Chapter 1: Gate Framing Types

Vertically Framed Gate

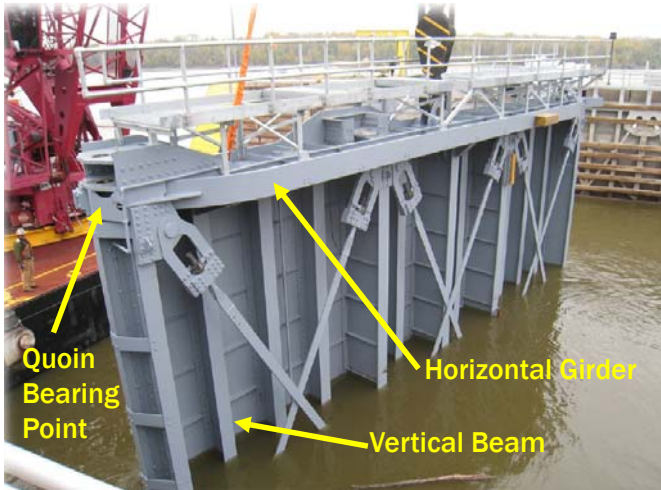


Horizontally Framed Gate

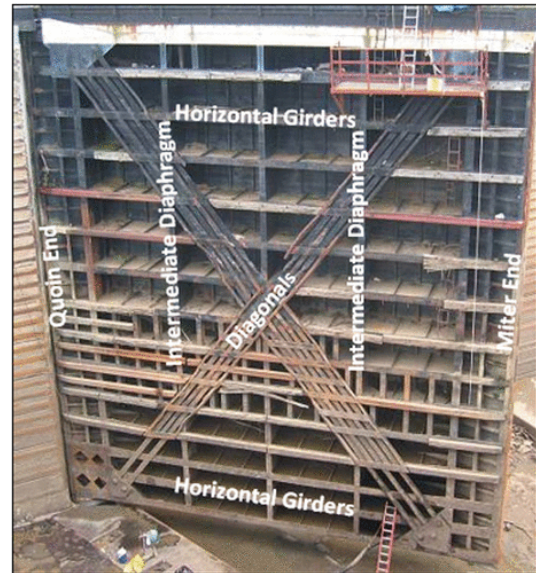


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Vertically Framed Gate



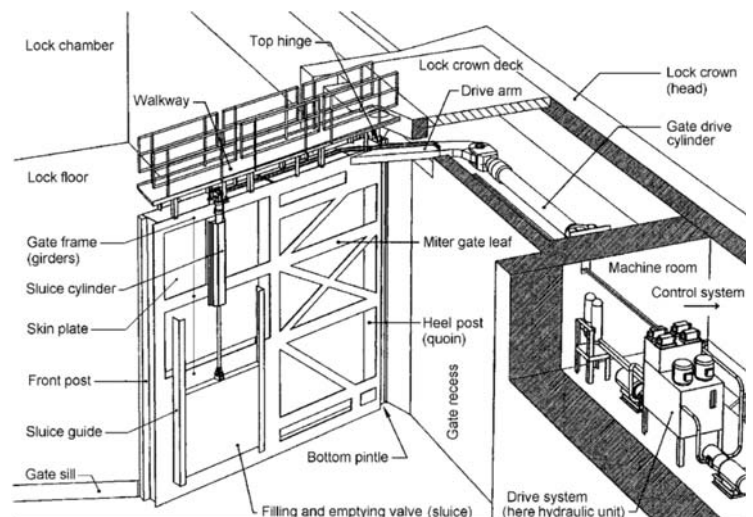
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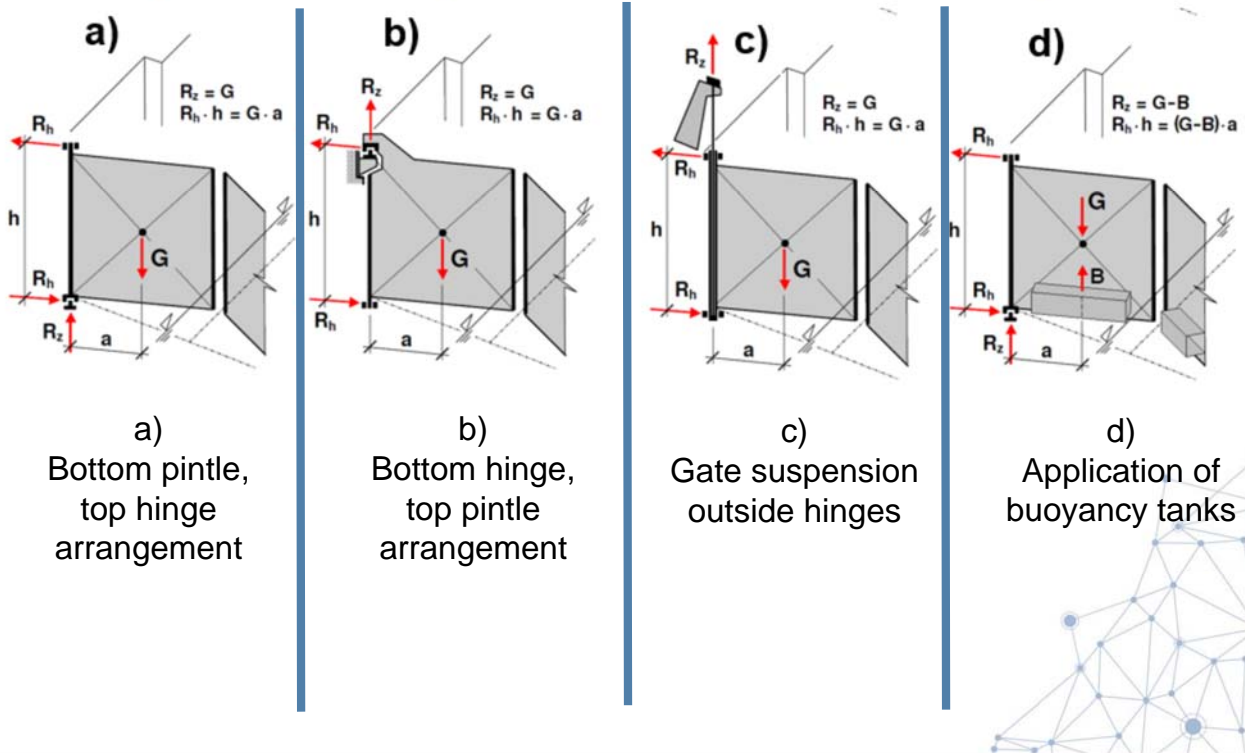
Chapter 2: Components

• Goals:

- Structural Arrangements
- Hinges / Gudgeon / Pintles (Pivots)
- Anchorage
- Heel (Quoin) / Mitre Blocks
- Diagonals
- Operating Machinery
- Control System



Chapter 2: Components (Structural Arrangements)



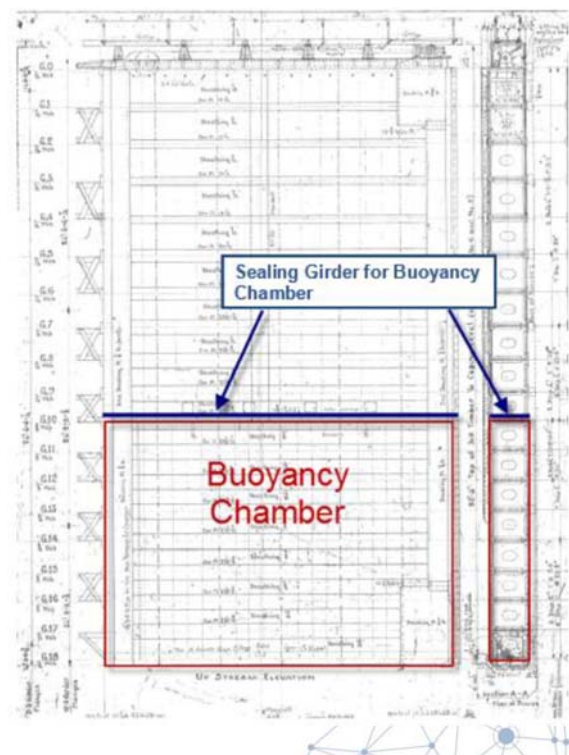
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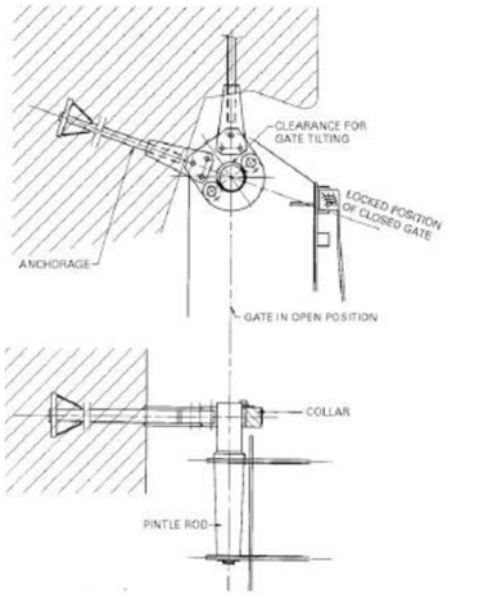
- Effectively lessens gate weight during operation.
- Less wear on support components.

Disadvantages:

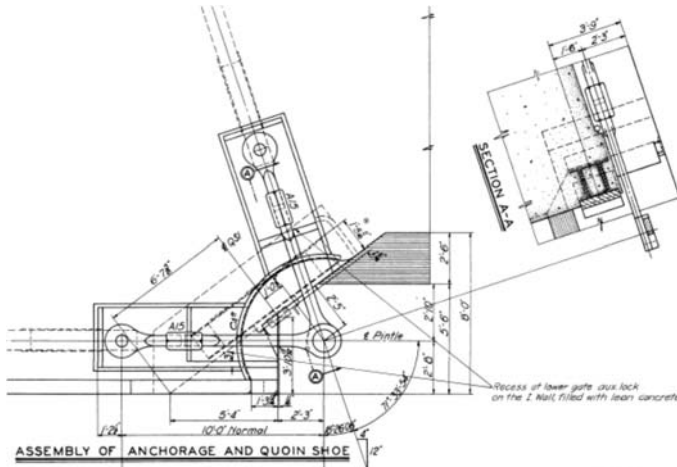
- Difficult to inspect inside surfaces.
- Need to maintain sealed condition (can't leak).



Chapter 2: Components (Anchorage)



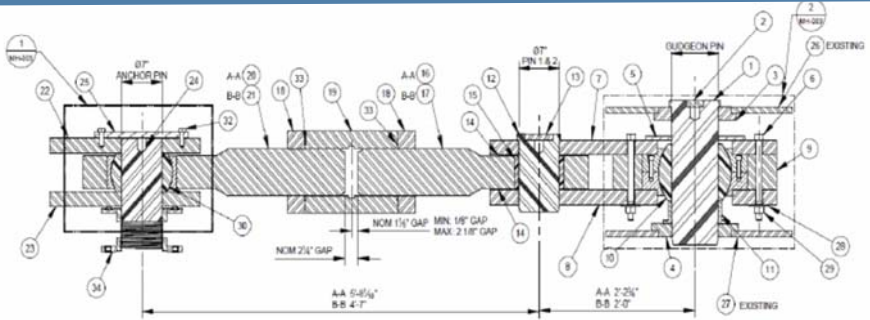
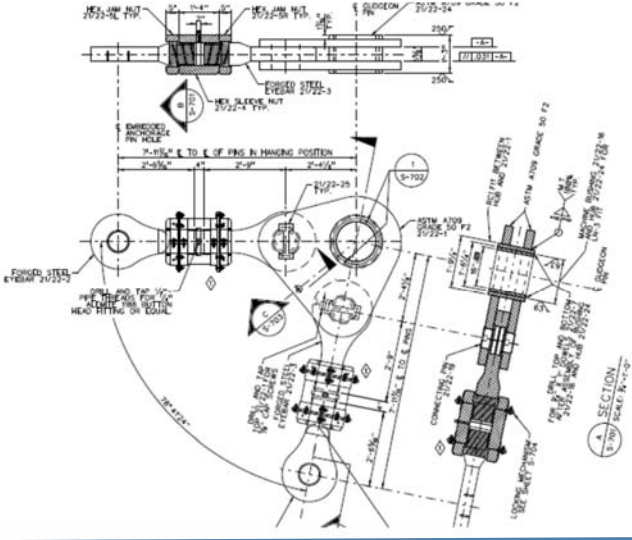
Top hinge design typical in Europe (ROK Design of Locks – Part 1)
Figure 2-



Typical Upper Mississippi (3-pin) lapped

Chapter 2: Components (Anchorage)

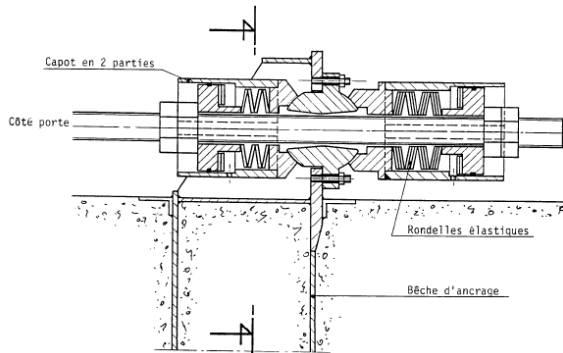
Five-pin anchorage (USACE, Greenup Lock).



Five-pin anchorage cross-section with spherical bushings (USACE, The Dalles Lock)

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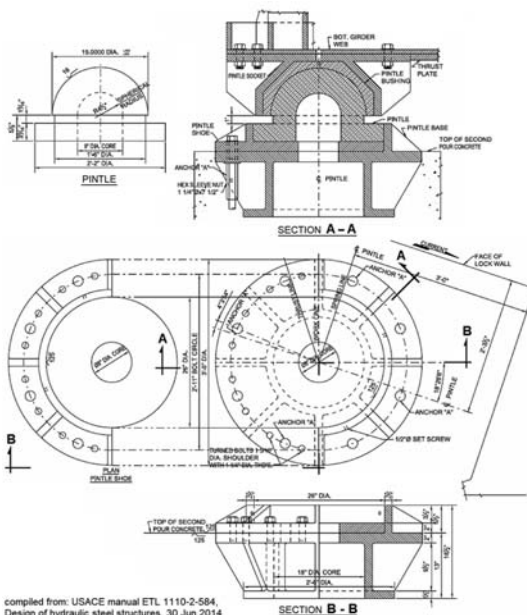
Belleville Springs: Spring-loaded anchorage linkage



- Preferred in France.
- Allow the gates to hang and swing with a clearance in the heels (quoins) and then when a head builds up on the gates, the springs compress in the linkages allowing the heel (quoin) to make contact.



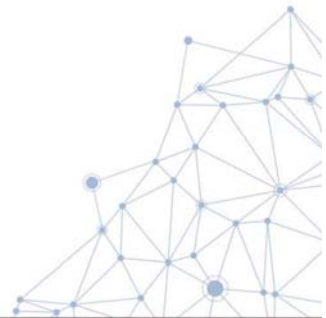
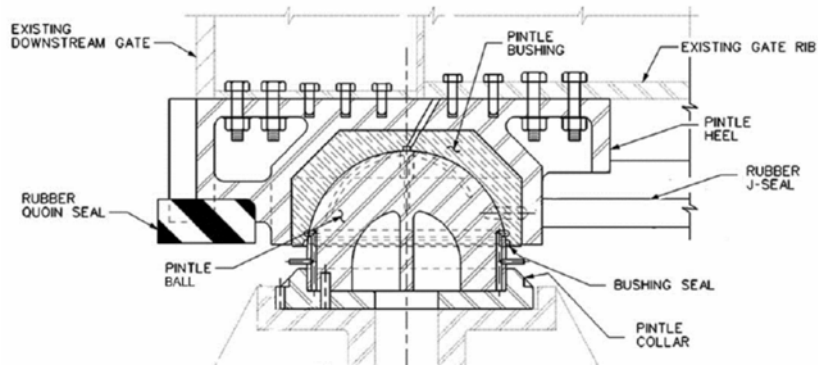
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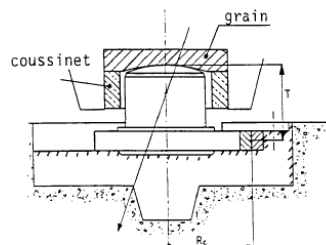
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PIVOT A EMBASE INTEGREE MAINTENUE PAR DES COINS SUR UNE PIECE SCHELLEE

VI.2. Figure 4

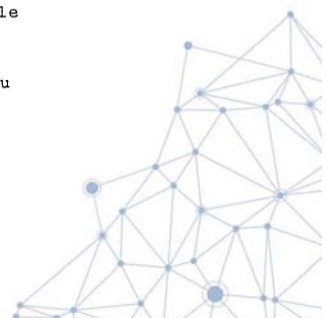
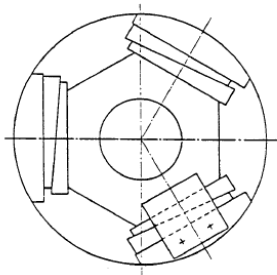


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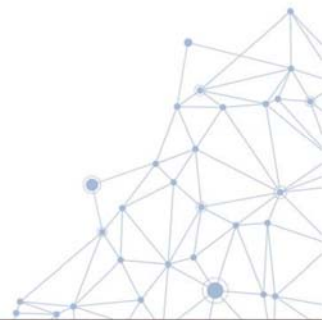
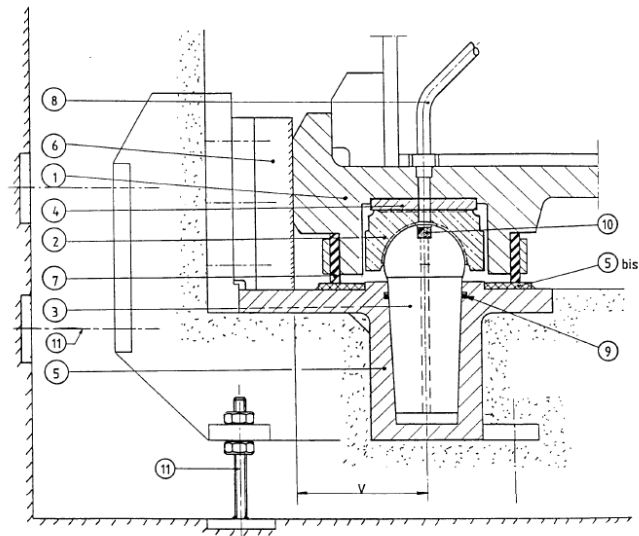
- Nombreuses interfaces
- Précontrainte par coins insuffisante
- Problèmes d'instabilité fréquents
- Lorsque la direction de F_R s'incline : efforts de manoeuvre élevés, frottement important sur le grain lors du buscage. La résultante sort du noyau central de l'appui, entraînant des efforts de soulèvement des coins.
- Les efforts alternés finissent également par desserrer les coins
- Maintenance très difficile, resserrage sous l'eau impossible

Avantage unique

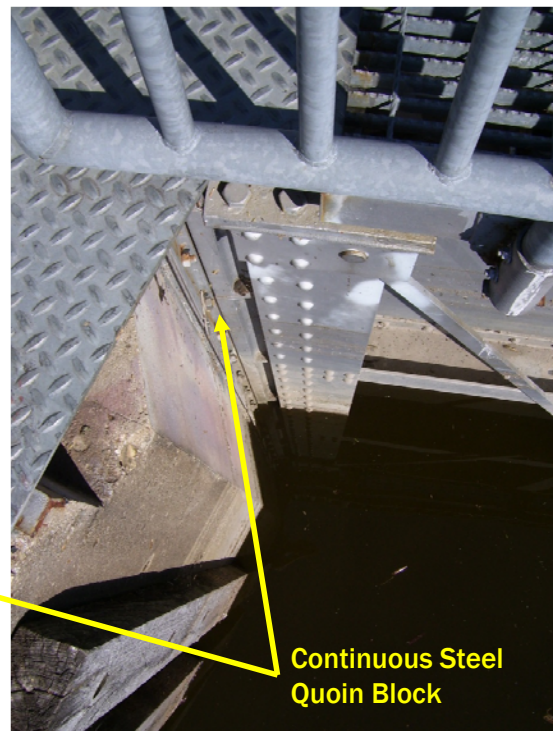
- Permet de régler la position du pivot au montage



Chapter 2: Components (Pintles)



Chapter 2: Components (Blocks)

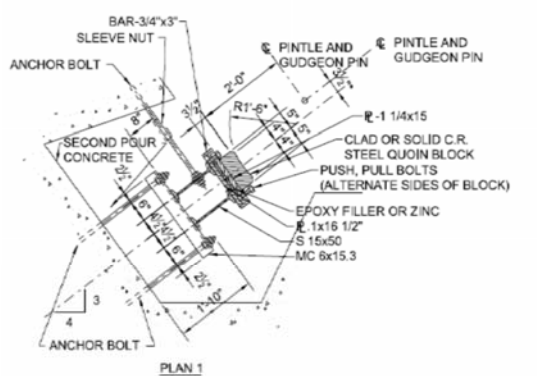


Continuous Steel Quoin Block

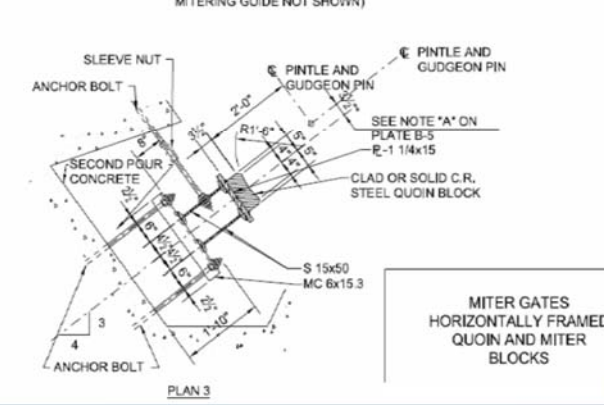
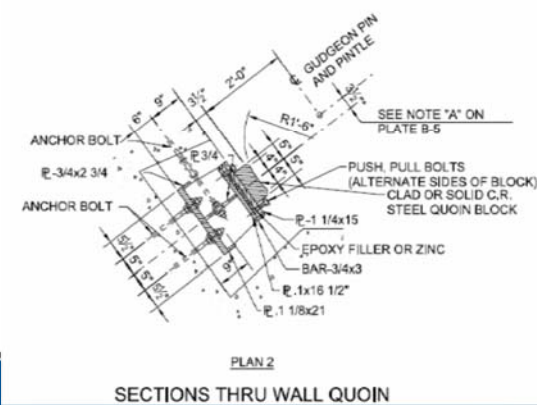
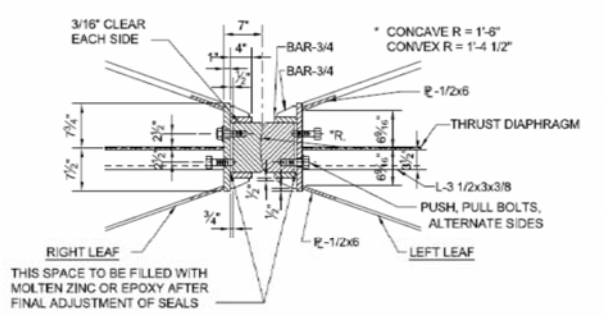
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MITER GATES HORIZONTALLY FRAMED QUOIN AND MITER BLOCKS

SECTIONS THRU WALL QUOIN

Chapter 2: Components (Quoin Blocks)

Contact blocks need good alignment and adjustability

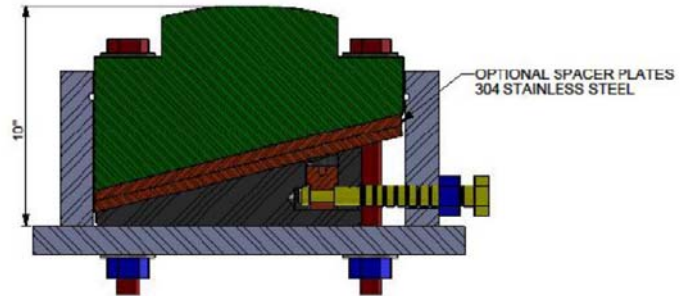
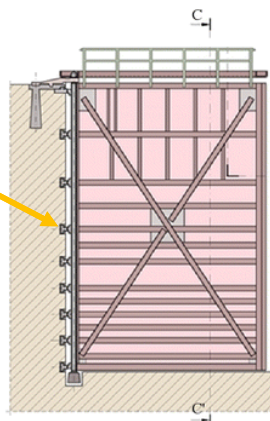


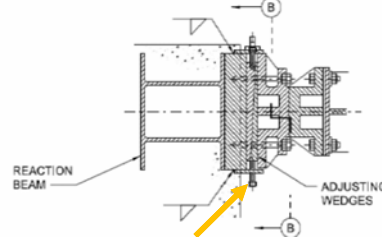
Figure 2-16: Mechanically adjustable quoin blocks of The Dalles mitre gate, USA

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Intermediate Blocks

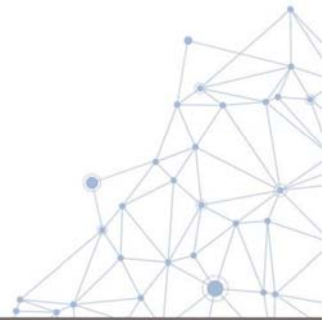


Vertically Framed Gate Block (Adjustable)



Chapter 2: Quoin Blocks

Timber Quoin (Flight of Five – Erie Canal)



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Timber Quoin (Flight of Five – Erie Canal)

- **Challenge**

- New Gate Fabrication
- Surface of quoin is not uniform

- **Solution**

- Core quoin



Chapter 2: Quoin Blocks

Timber Quoin (Kentucky River Locks, USA)



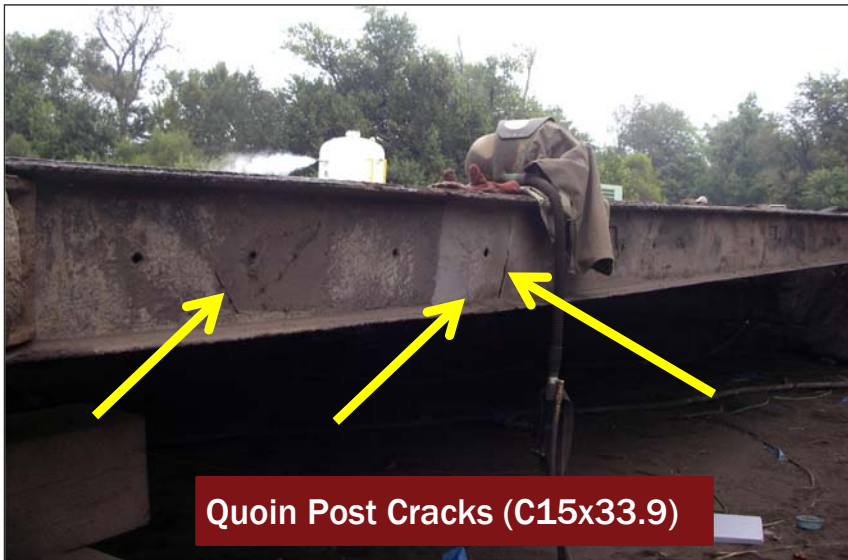
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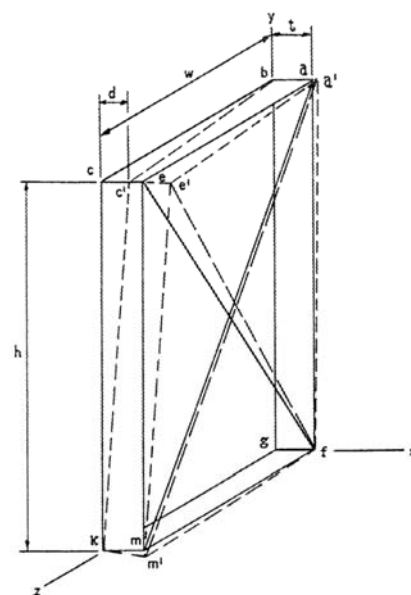
Chapter 2: Components (Diagonals)

Advantages:

- Keep Gate Plumb.
- Better Alignment at Contact Surfaces.
- Improved Stiffness During Operation.

Disadvantages:

- Difficult to Adjust.
- Impact Protection is Needed.
- Can be a Source of Cracking.



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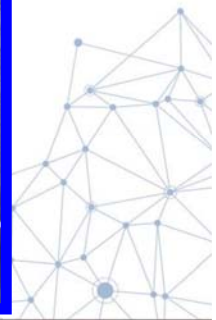
Figure 2-17: Diagonal with threaded ends and large nut (115-mm diameter) and with hydraulic tensioner attached (right)

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Figure 2-18: Multiple nut tensioning mechanism using multiple stud tensioners

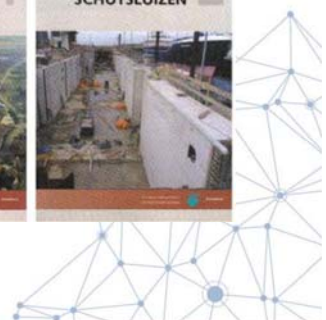
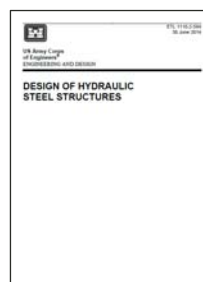
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Chapter 3: Design Issues and Guidance

• Goals:

- Global Design Guidance
- Design Load Conditions
- Fatigue
- Connections
- Flexibility / Stiffness
- Gate Recess Design
- High Lift Lock Gates



Chapter 3: Design Issues and Guidance

Guideline, Reference, or Report	Area of Origin	Title	Gate Feature / Design Component															
			General Design	Locks General	Gate Type	Gate Loads	Fatigue	Primary Members	Materials Concrete	Materials Steel	Materials Timber	Materials Composites	Diagonals	Seals	Star Plate	Pinfile	Anchorage	Mechanical / Electrical
PIANC	International	Final Report of the International Commission for the Study of Locks (1986 Lock Report)	*															
PIANC InCom WG 106	International	Innovations in Navigation Lock Design	*															
PIANC InCom WG 151	International	Design of Lock Gates for Ship Collision		*														
Eurocodes (0) to (8)	Europe	Various codes related to Structural Design, Loads, and Various Materials	*			*	*	*	*	*								
University of Liege	Belgium	Navigation Locks - Ecluses de Navigation by Nicolas M. Dehouse (1985)	*															
FRT 101	France	Parts of Rollers																*
FRT 102	France	Joints, Bearings, and Trunnions																*
FRT 103	France	Critical Mechanical Components of Miter Gates																*
FRT 104	France	Sealing System Works										*						*
FRT 105	France	Fixed/Embedded Pieces (Anchorage)																*
FRT 106	France	Elastomeric Bearings																*
FRT 107	France	Actuators																*
DIN 19704-1	Germany	Hydraulic steel structures - Part 1: Criteria for design and calculation			*													
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ROK 1.2 ⁽¹⁾	Netherlands	Richlijn(en) Ontwerpen Kmitwerken (Miter Gate Guideline)			*	*	*											*
SB260	Belgium	Hydraulic Structures							*									*
SB270	Belgium	Mechanical and Electrical Devices																*
USACE TR-02-7	US	Advanced Materials Selection Guide for Lock, Dam, and Hydro Elec Plant Components	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
USACE ETL 1110-2-584	US	Design of Hydraulic Steel Structures			*													*
USACE ETL 1110-2-566	US	Advanced Reliability Analysis of Fatigue Cracking in Horizontally Framed Miter Gates			*													*
USACE EM 1110-2-1612	US	Ice Engineering			*													*
USACE EM 1110-2-2602	US	Planning and Design of Navigation Locks			*													*
USACE EM 1110-2-2610	US	Mechanical and Electrical Design for Lock and Dam Operating Equipment			*													*
USACE EM 1110-2-2703 ⁽²⁾	US	Lock Gates and Operating Equipment			*		*			*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
USACE EM 1110-2-6054	US	Inspection, Evaluation and Repair of Hydraulic Steel Structures			*													*
ASCE Journal	US	Optimal Design of Horizontally Framed Miter Gates			*													*
AWS (Various)	US	Welding Guidelines							*									*
AISC	US	American Institute of Steel Construction - Steel Construction Manual							*									*
AASHTO	US	Bridge Design Specifications				*	*											*
CAN/CSA - S6	Canada	CAN/CSA - S6 Canadian Highway Bridge Design Code			*	*												*
CSA S16	Canada	Design of Steel Structures			*	*												*

Notes:
⁽¹⁾ This document is unofficial and is under development.
⁽²⁾ EM 1110-2-2703 has been superseded by ETL 1110-2-584. However, the EM still contains valuable information on miter gate design that may not be found within the ETL.

Figure 3-2: Global design references table

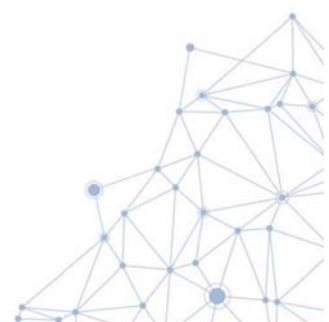
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• Load Considerations (Usual and Unusual Conditions)

- Impact Loads (PIANC WG 151)
- Environmental Load (Waves, Ice, Silt, Obstructions)
- Construction
- Load Redistributions with Worn / Misaligned Gates

• Analysis Considerations

- 2D vs. 3D Modeling
- Fatigue
- Connections
- High Lift Locks



Chapter 3: Design Issues and Guidance

Load Cases			Loads/Load Factors							
			D	G	H _s	H _d	Q	EV	IM	EQ
Limit State	Description	Case	γ_D	γ_G	γ_{H_s}	γ_{H_d}	γ_Q	γ_{EV}	γ_{IM}	γ_{EQ}
Strength I	Gate Closed	1a	0	0	1.4	0	0	0	0	0
Strength I	Gate Closed	1b	0	0	1.4	1.0	0	0	0	0
Strength II	Gate Open	2	1.2	1.6	0	1.0 ⁽¹⁾	1.2 ⁽¹⁾	0	0	0
Extreme I	Gate Closed	3	0	0	1.4	0	0	0	1.0 ⁽¹⁾	1.0 ⁽¹⁾
Fatigue I	Finite Life	4a	0	0	1.0	1.0	0	0	0	0
Fatigue II	Infinite Life	4b	0	0	1.0	1.0	0	0	0	0

Notes: (1) Select one at a time

D = Dead Load (self-weight);
G = Gravity Load (mud or ice);
H_s = Hydrostatic Force;
H_d = Hydrodynamic;
Q = Operating Machinery (max load);
EV = Wind (not applicable in table);
IM = Barge Impact (or vessel impact);
EQ = Earthquake.

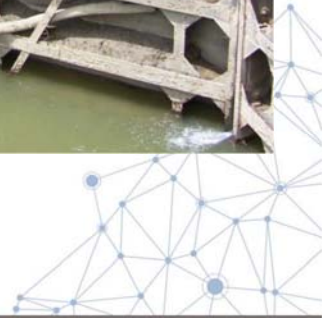
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Analysis Type	Advantage	Disadvantage
2-D Modeling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accomplished in less time given its simplicity. Is easier to check and verify accuracy of results. Generally accurate for determining stresses in primary members. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poor in identifying stresses at connection areas (girder to quoin, pintle forces on gate, load from diagonals). Lacks ability to evaluate misalignments or other anomalies that could result in redistribution of stresses. May also lack ability to evaluate stresses from unusual loading, since stresses are not easily redistributed between members (e.g. impact or gate obstruction cases)
3-D Modeling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides ability to size various members in one analysis (girder, skin plate, and quoin/mitre blocks). Better ability to predict stresses for unique or unusual loading. Provides more accuracy of stresses in connection areas, particularly for fatigue resistance design. Checks for fabrication fit-up and interference 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can require a lot of effort depending on the detail of the model and loading. Verifying results (checking) can be more difficult and timely. Comparing results with a simplified 2-D model or other hand calculations must be performed to confirm accuracy of modelling.

Table 3-1: Analysis methods

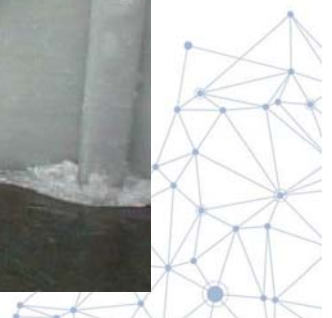
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$G = \text{Gravity Load (mud or ice);}$



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Chapter 3: Construction and Maintenance Loads

Gate Removal and Installation:

- *Consider Lifting Points*
- *Consider Gate Stresses During Lifting*



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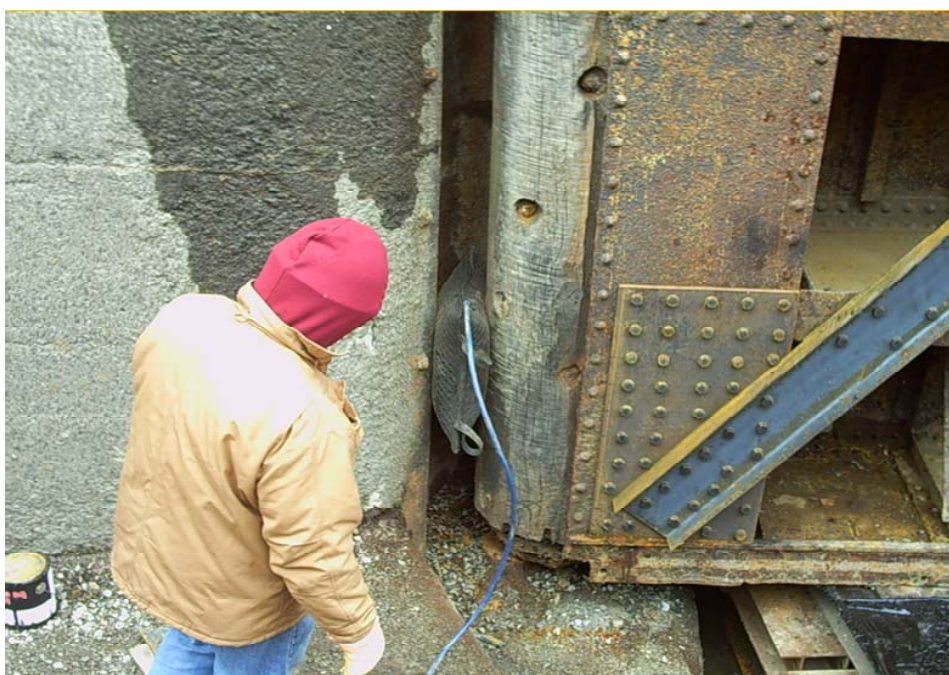
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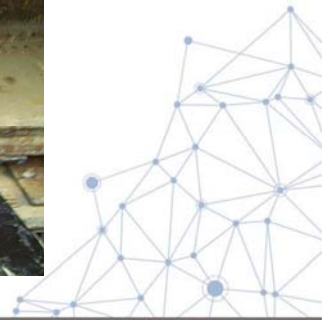
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Chapter 3: Bolting vs. Welding (Repair)



Chapter 3: Repair Access



Chapter 3: High Lift Gates

• Considerations

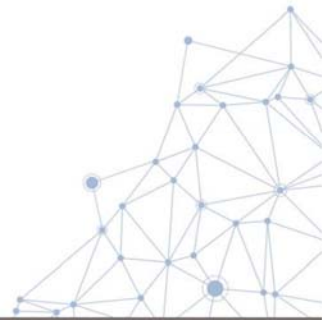
- Increased sensitivity to gate tolerances and alignment
- Temperature (solar loading)
- Constructability
 - Crane access
 - Lifting points
- 3D modeling



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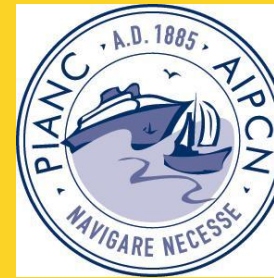
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MATERIALS AND
FRP COMPOSITES
in Mitre Gates

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Steel:



Structural framing
and Machinery
Protection



Corrosion fatigue
on 12% Mn steel
Pivot



High Strength
Steel (YS > 360
MPa) only for
Mooring and
Impact protection



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Steel:



Anchorage failure due to low ductility of Steel ($Y_S < 1000$ MPa is recommended)



Contact blocks with Rubber Seals

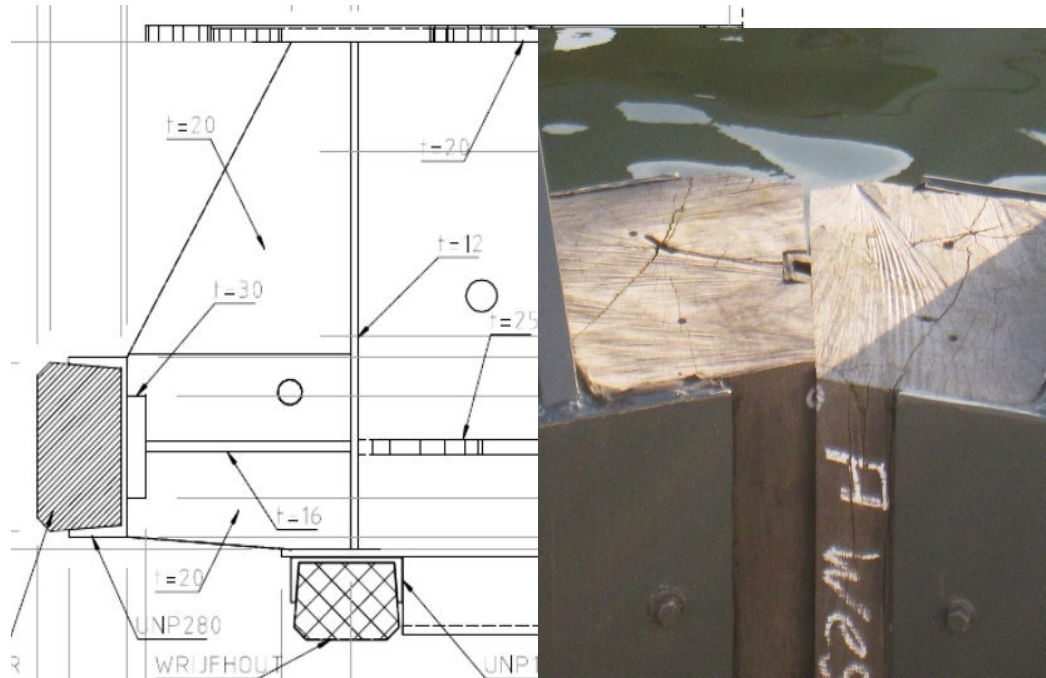


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Timber:



Structural framing



Sealing and Contact blocks (rubber insert)

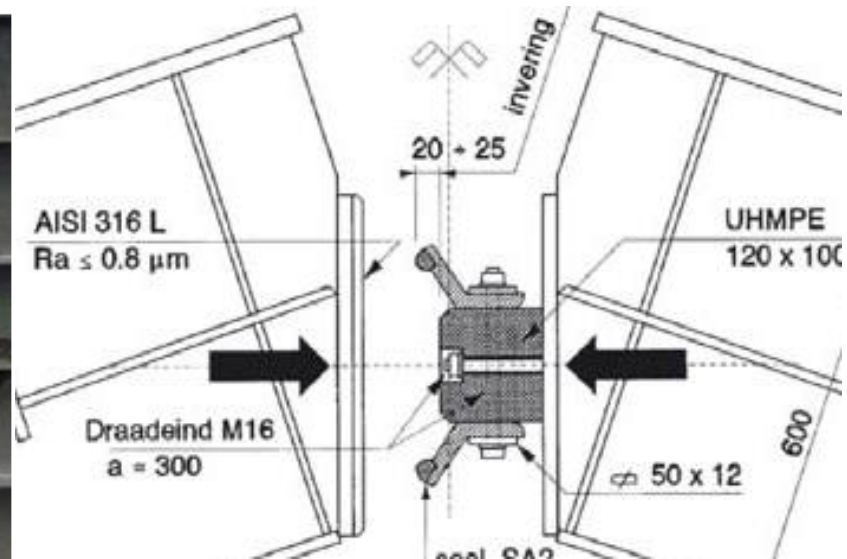


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Polymers:



UHMWPE Sliding blocks on Stainless steel



UHMWPE Contact blocks on Stainless steel



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Fiber Reinforced Polymer Composites:

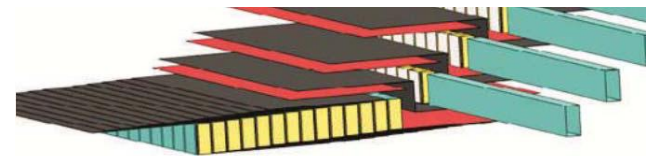


Structural framing and Walkways



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World's largest Fiber Reinforced Polymer composite Mitre Gates



Monolithic sandwich with PU foam,
Glass fibers and Poly ester resin.

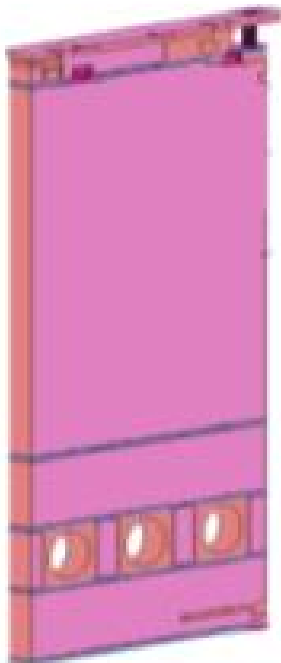


Leaf dimension 12 m x 9 m x 0,5 m



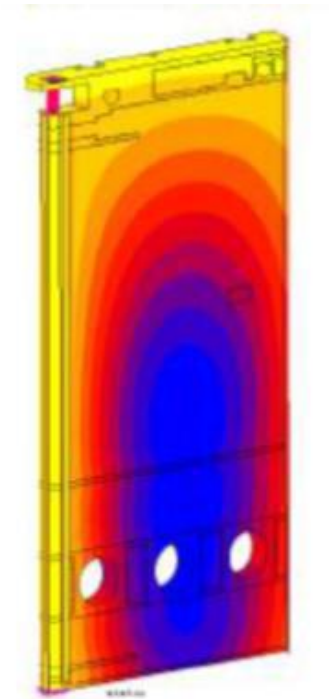
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Maximum calculated deflection SLS including creep, humidity and fatigue after 100 years:

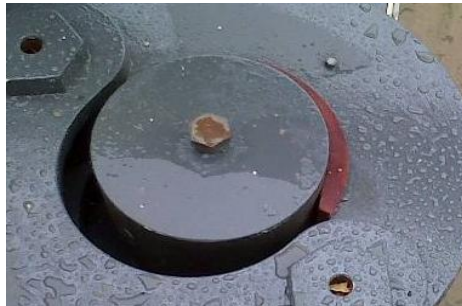
- Hinges (bottom Pintle) 4.0 mm
- Gate paddles (center) 1.4 mm
- Heel post (quoin block) 1.3 DEG
- Sill (leaf center) 14 mm





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Fiber Reinforced Polymer Composites:



Grease less bearings



Full scale testing



De-lamination hazard

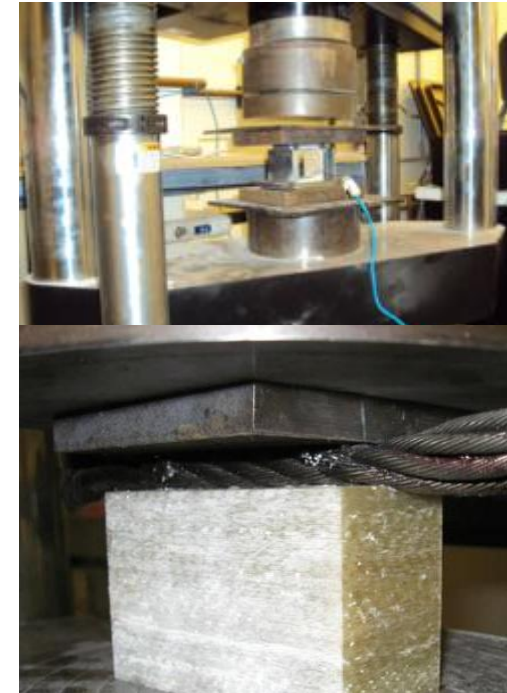
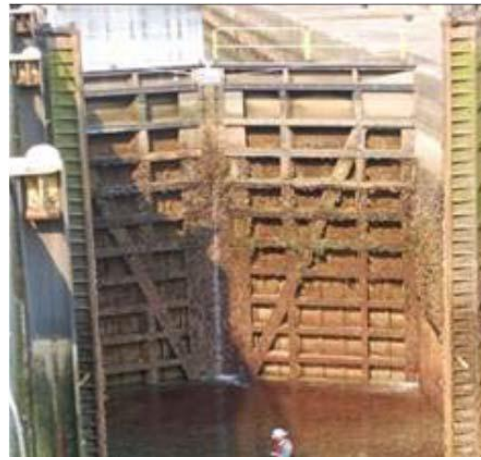


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Fiber Reinforced Polymer Composites:



Fiber Reinforced Polymer contact blocks



Fatigue and pinching test



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Conclusions:

Polymers and Fiber Reinforced Polymer Composites in Mitre Gates have been used for:

- Structural framing
- Hinges
- Contact blocks
- Sliding blocks



Full scale testing on strength, wear, aging and fatigue is recommended to prove structural integrity and reliability.

As long time experience is not available, extra material safety factors are recommended.

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Mitre Gate Seals

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Overview

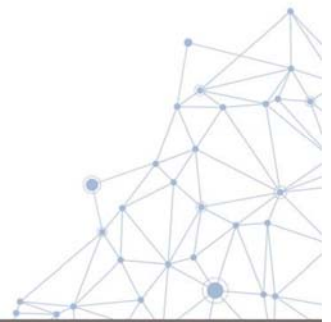
• Miter Gate Seals

- Seals serve an important purpose in sealing the perimeter of the gate to the lock walls and sills
- Bottom Seal
 - The bottom seal of the gate against the lock sill is important since the high water pressures can cause excessive leakage and damaging vibrations to the gate.
- Side Seal
 - The side seals of the gate against the lock walls are primarily for water retention.

Chapter 5: Mitre Gate Seals

- **Three primary sealing configurations:**

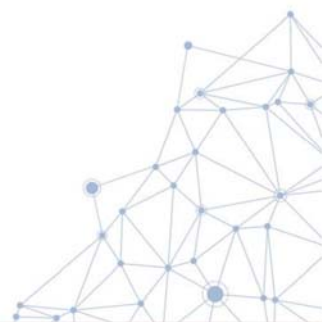
- Elastic polymers (rubber) bearing on metal or concrete contact
- Metal bearing on metal contact
- Wood bearing on metal contact or concrete lock wall



Chapter 5: Mitre Gate Seals

- **There are several factors to consider in choosing a seal:**

- Durability
- Maintenance
- Leakage Limits
- Load Transfer Ability (Stiffness)
- Environmental Conditions (Temperature, UV)



Seal Locations

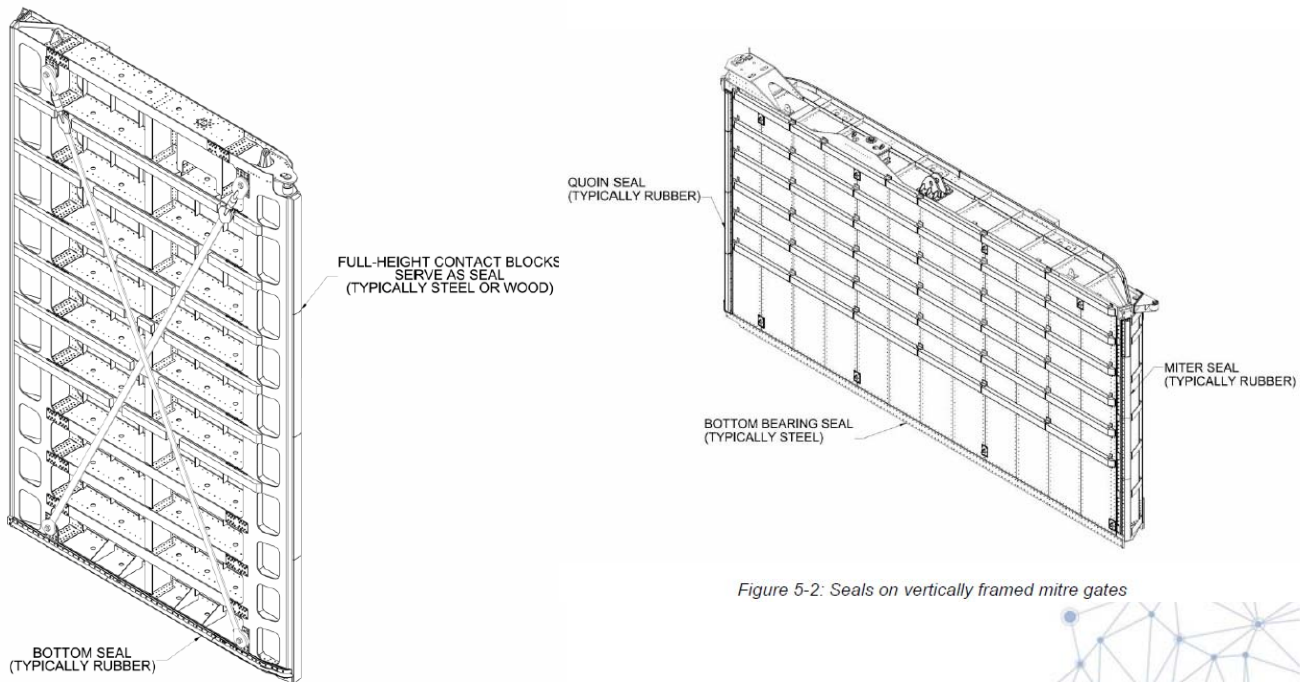


Figure 5-1: Seals on horizontally framed mitre gates

Figure 5-2: Seals on vertically framed mitre gates

Bottom Sill Seals

•Types

- Bottom Round Rubber Seal
- Bottom J-Bulb (Music Note) Seal
- Bottom Pork Chop Seal
- Inclined J-Bulb Seal
- Bottom Wood Sill Seal
- Bottom Block Seal in the Pintle (Pivot) Region

Bottom Sill Seals - Bottom Round Rubber Seal

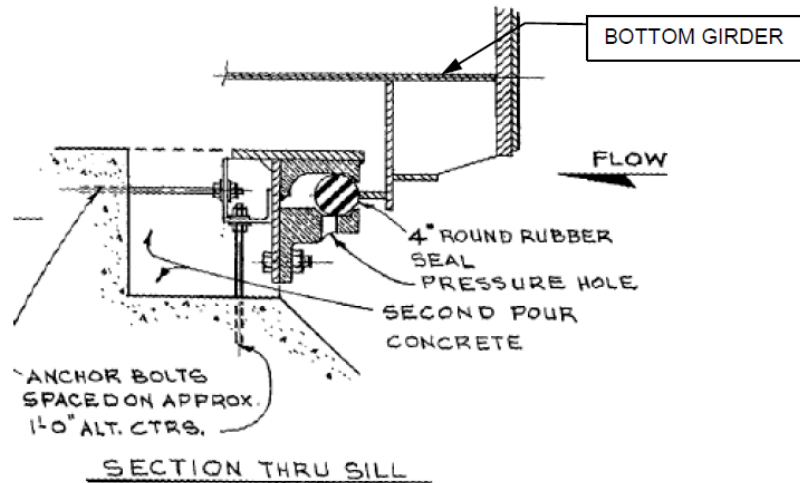
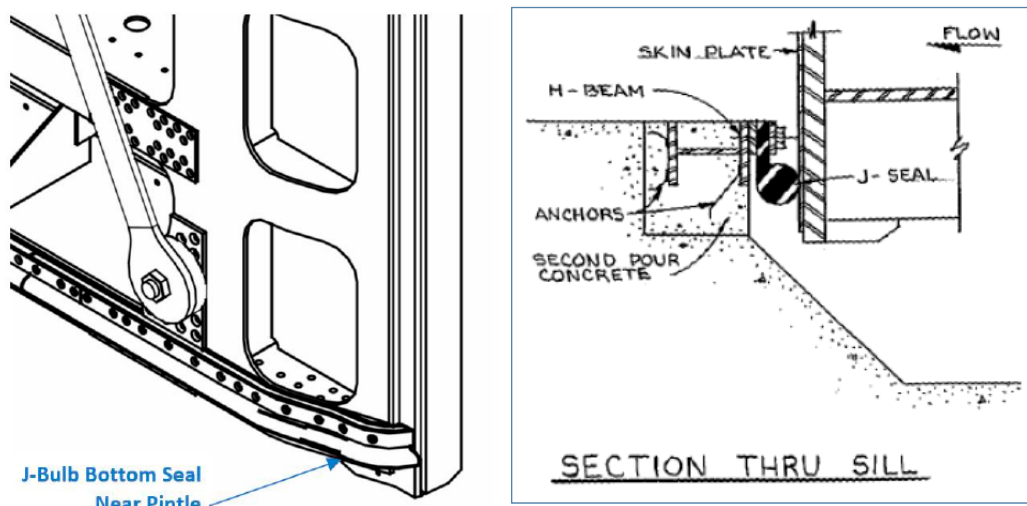


Figure 5-3: Round rubber seal
(USACE EM 1110-2-2703 Plate B-21)

- Typically 100-mm (4-in) in diameter
- Can accommodate gate's thermal expansions
 - 25 mm (1 in) of horizontal misalignment
 - 10 mm (3/8 in) +/- of vertical misalignment

Bottom Sill Seals - Bottom J-Bulb (Music Note)



- Perform well around sharp bends (pivot area)
- Problematic along bottom sill
 - Prone to vibration
 - Debris can get stuck behind seal and affect performance

Bottom Sill Seals - Bottom "Pork Chop" Seal

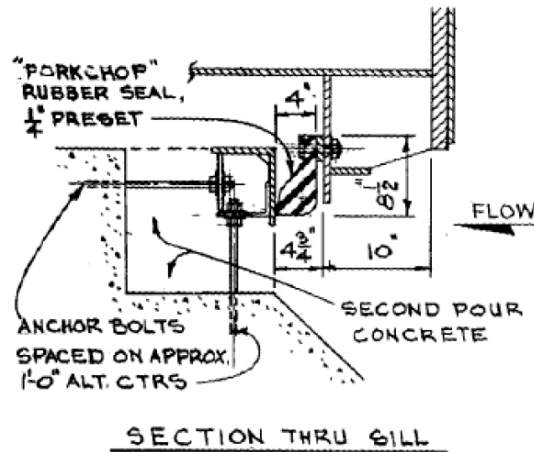
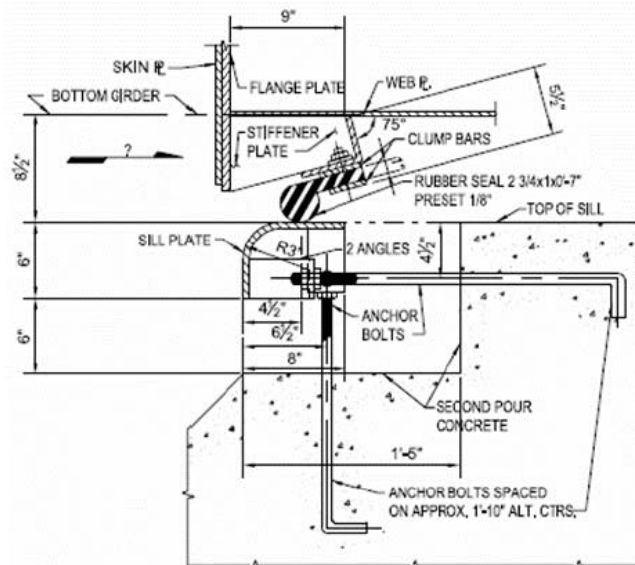


Figure 5-10: Pork chop seal

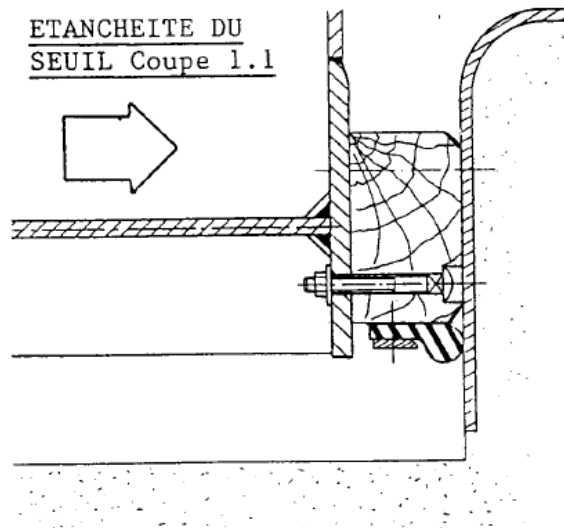
- Less vibration problems
- Cannot accommodate large gate thermal expansions
 - 16 mm (5/8 in) of horizontal misalignment
 - Over 25 mm (1 in) of vertical misalignment

Bottom Sill Seals - Inclined J-Bulb Seal



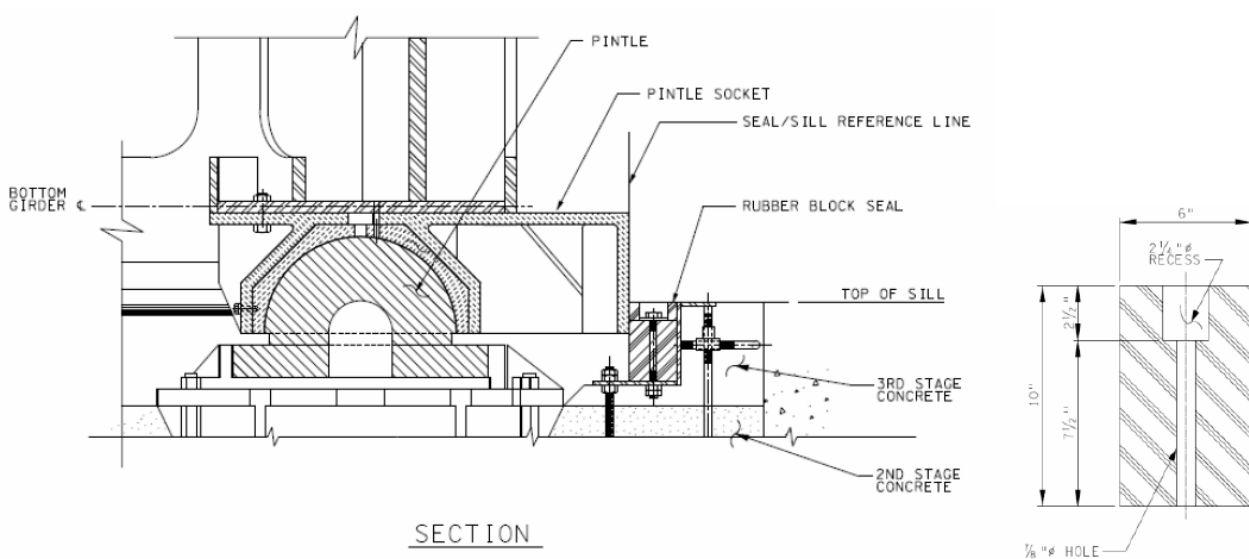
- Recommended
- Best for withstanding damage from sill debris

Bottom Sill Seals - Bottom Wood Sill Seal



- Extensive use, good if always submerged
- Preferred sill seal in Netherlands

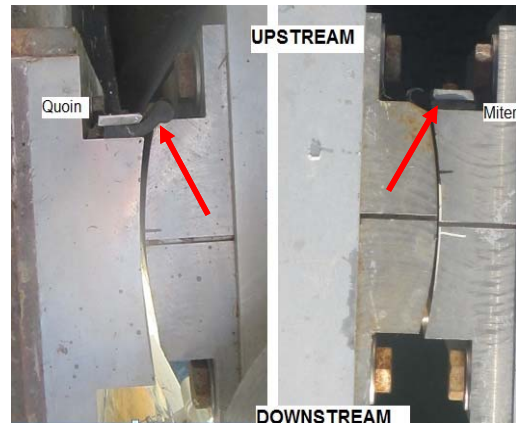
Bottom Block Seal in the Pintle (Pivot) Region



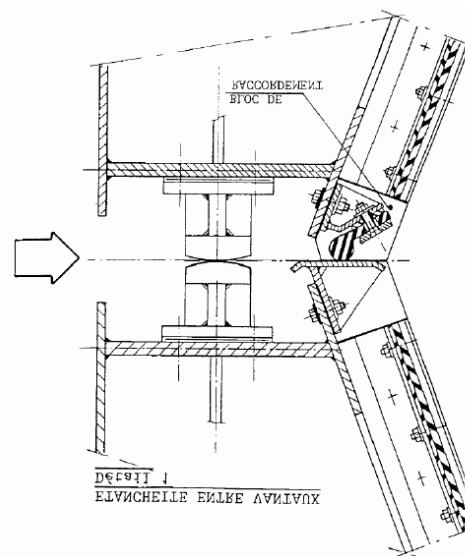
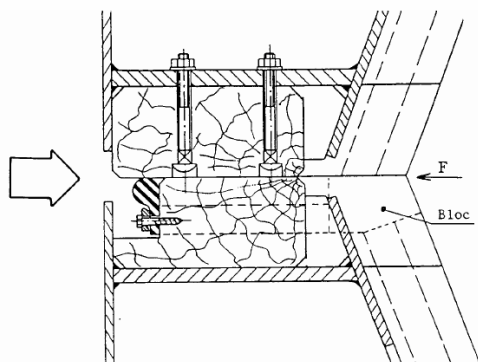
- Robust – long service life
- Disadvantage – attached to concrete, hard to service

Side Seals

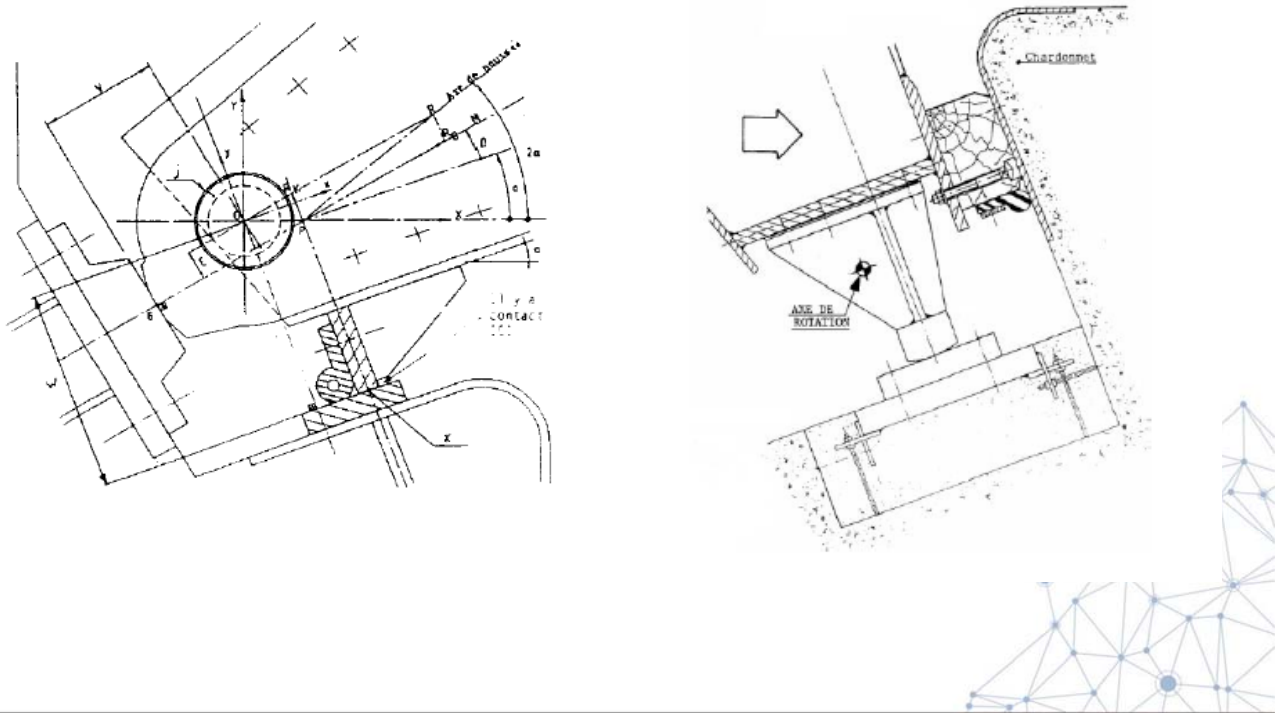
- Side seals run full-height of the quoin blocks
- Used to improve gate leak aesthetic performance
- Be careful – Side seals can mask quoin block alignment issues



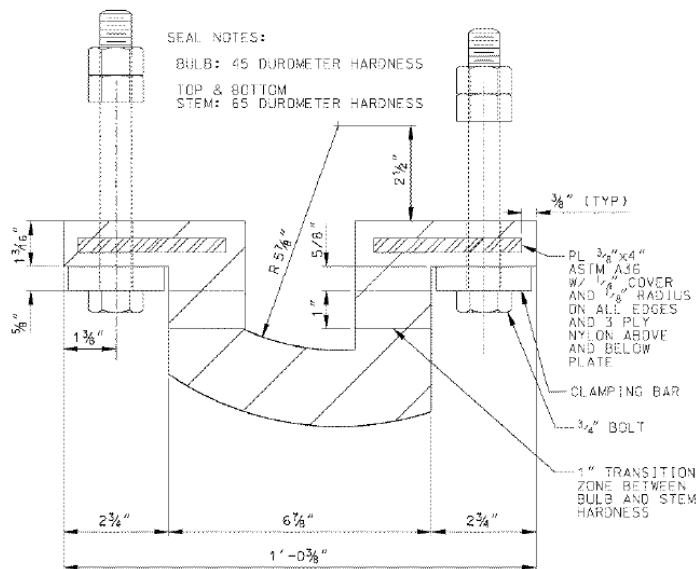
Side Seals at Mitre End



Side Seals at Quoin (Hinge) End



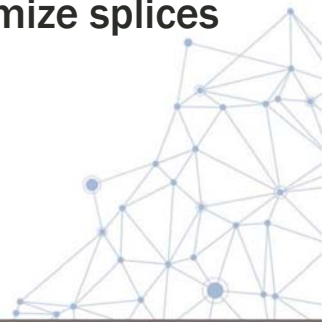
Side Seals – Omega Seal



- More durable and abrasion resistant than J-bulb (Music Note)
- 10-mm thick plate has been embedded in the stem to prevent seal from tearing from gate

Seals – Best Practices

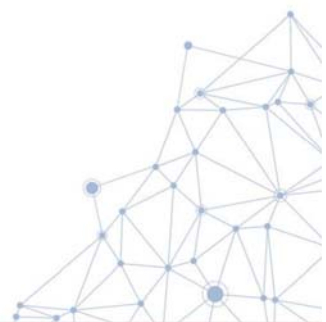
- Consider factors in choosing a seal:
 - Durability
 - Maintenance
 - Leakage Limits
 - Load Transfer Ability (Stiffness)
 - Environmental Conditions (Temperature, UV)
- Where possible, make seal in one piece – minimize splices
- Attach to gate for ease of maintenance



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Mitre Gate : Design and Operation

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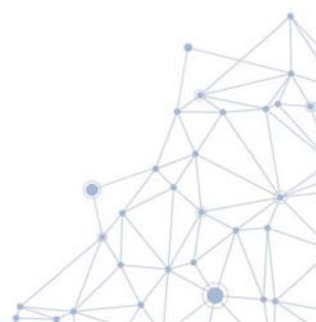
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Chapter 6

Ancillary Components



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Ancillary but essential components of a mitre gate are:

- Walkways and access
- Lubrication
- Mitre guide and alignment features
- Impact protection systems



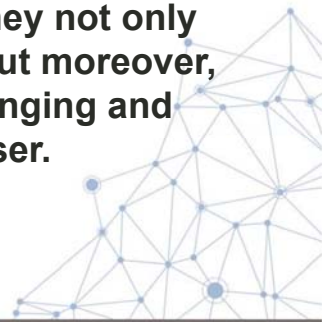
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6.1 Walkways

The section 6.1 presents a complete summary of all design suggestions for walkways built on leaf gates and the associated protective railings.

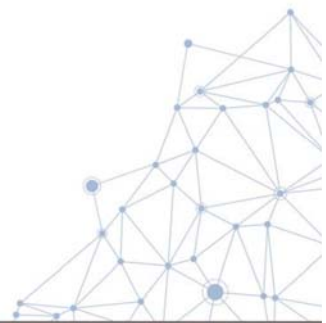
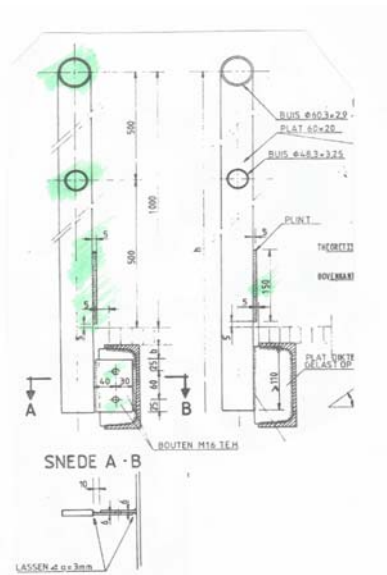
The essential safety points for protective railings lie:

- in their horizontal stiffness,
- in the use of longitudinal side baseboards: they not only prevent objects from falling off the walkway but moreover, these boards guide and recentre the steps bringing and confirming their true safety function for the user.

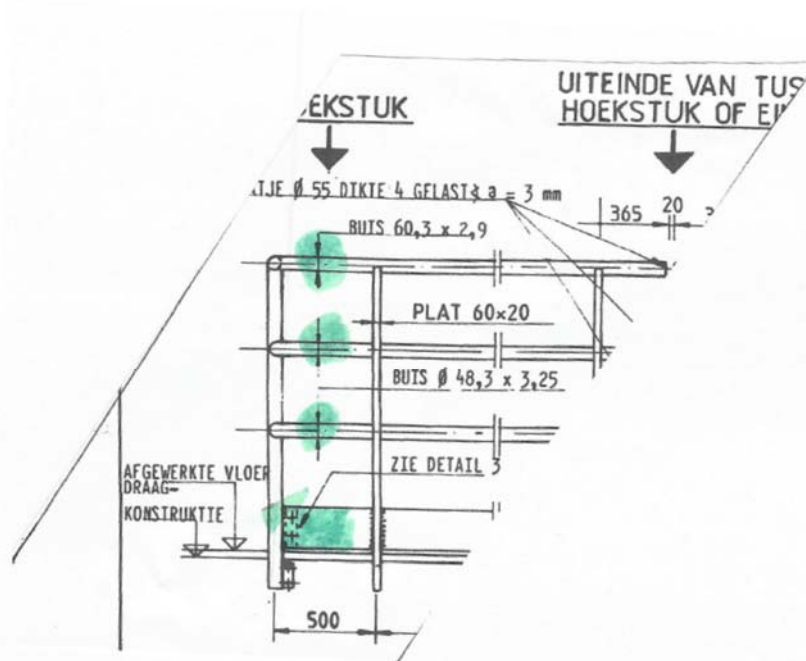


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6.1 Walkways and railings



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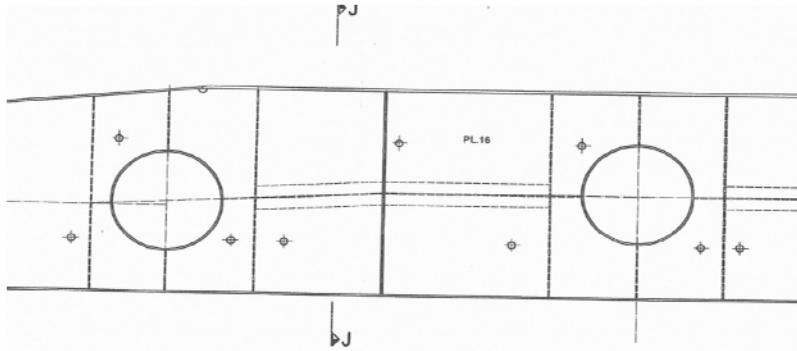
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6.2 Access in the gate

- Inside access holes in the horizontal beams – as the overall leaf thickness often allows - are in fact true manholes with or without covers. These access holes serve to inspect the leaf's structural components.
- Exterior access holes make it possible to check the cleanliness of the gate pivot area and its possible sanding-up or silting. They are equipped with cover plates.

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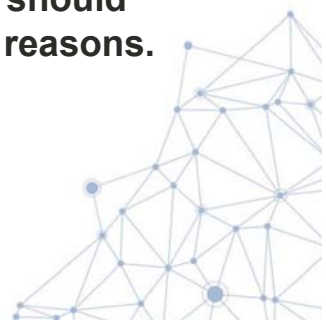
Inside access
Internal Manholes Phi 700 in
horizontal girders (two upper
girders)



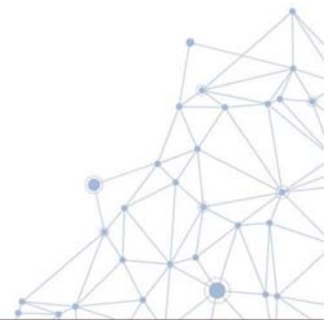
6.3 Lubrication - General

- **Self-lubricating materials offer potential for improved performance.**
 - **Corrosion resistant**
 - **Examples:** Kamatics KAron V, Deva, Bronze Pan, Tenmat Ferroform/Ferroglide

As an additional measure related to lubrication and as far as the pintle is concerned, practical sense indicates that a supplemental forced lubrication FOR THE PINTLE should generally be scheduled for all the aforementioned reasons.



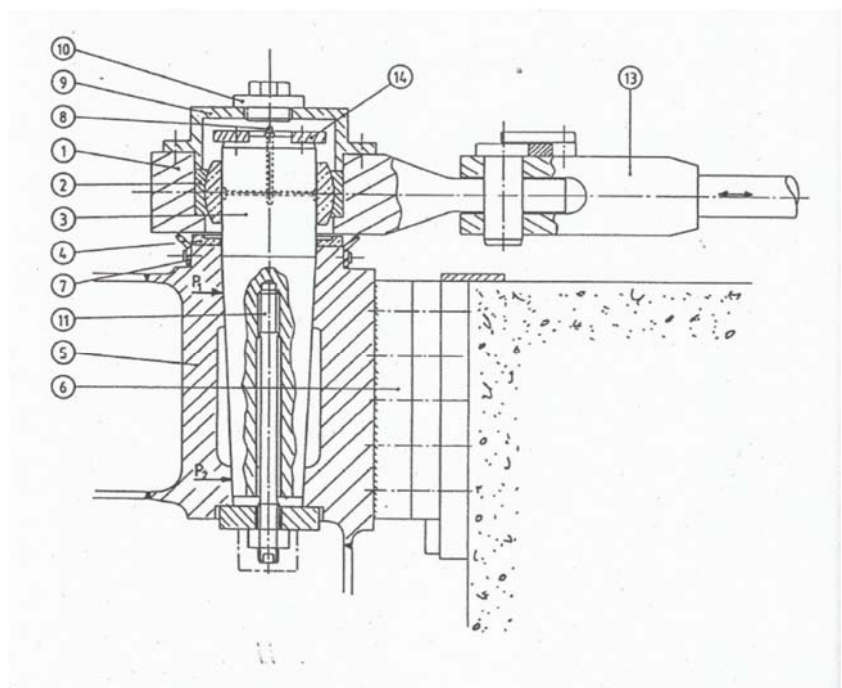
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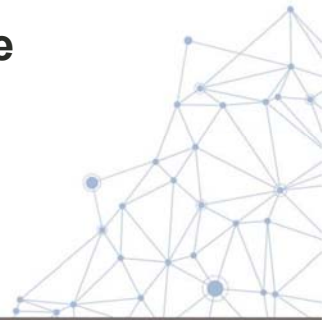
• Top Hinge

Design example
Gate linking with
the upper
gudgeon by
spherical joint.



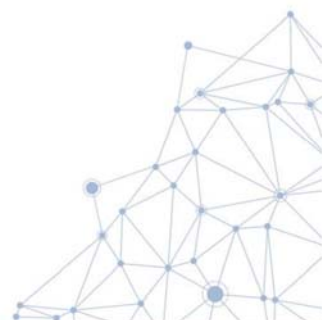
Top Hinge

- **The convex spherical central part slides into the pintle: this part is usually manufactured in self-lubricating bronze with inserts for solid lubricants.**
- **This assembly makes perfect self-alignment possible between the upper gudgeon and the lower pintle.**
- **Dedicated grease ports (10 and 8) ensure the possible lubrication of the bushings.**



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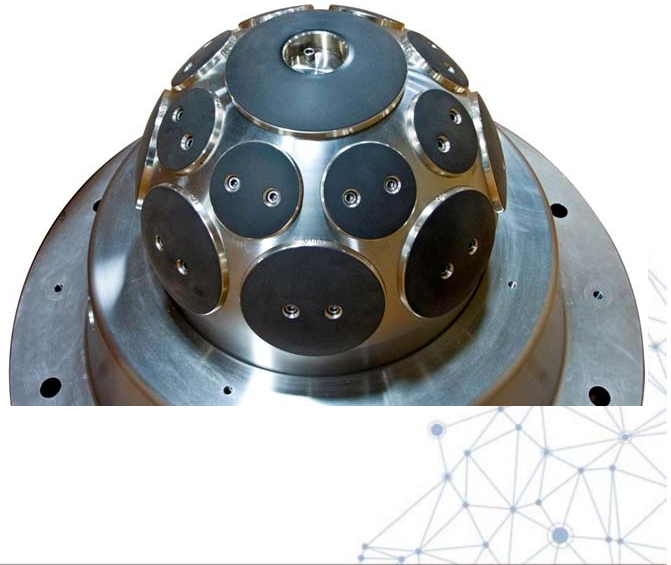
- **Pintle Ball Lubrication Grease Lines**
 - Grease feed pipe lines must be robust, protected, accessible for inspection, able to be dismantled and easily replaced.
 - Pintle lines are used to evenly distribute grease across the pintle ball circumference
 - The lubrication Improves performance and corrosion resistance



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• Self Lubricating Pintle

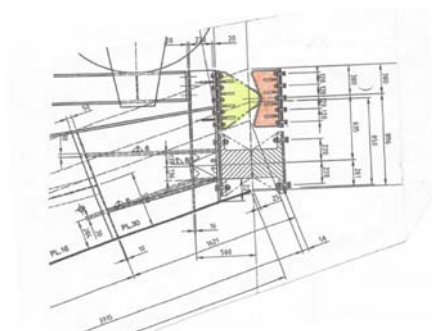
- Improved service performance
- Corrosion resistant
- In my personal view, does not eliminate the need for grease systems
- Higher initial cost



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Mitre Guide and Alignment Features

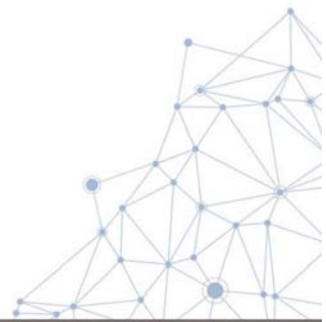
- Position and or distance sensors are usually installed on each leaf to detect whether a gate is in a good open condition or in a good closed condition.
- The use of gate latches can be justified during exceptional operating conditions of long durations because of the required protection towards wave shocks (recessed position).



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Impact Protection Systems

- VID (Very Important Document): PIANC WG 151, Design of Lock Gates for Ship Collision
- Mitre gates are very susceptible to impact damage by vessels entering and leaving a chamber.
- Protection Feature Types
 - Gate fenders, gate bumpers, guard gates , and ship arrestors



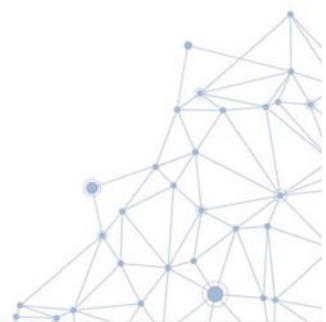
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Fenders on downstream side



Figure 6-16: Typical fendering (Lock 19, Mississippi River)

**Fender recommended materials:
timber, metal, polyethylene**

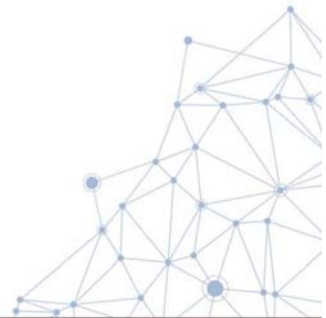
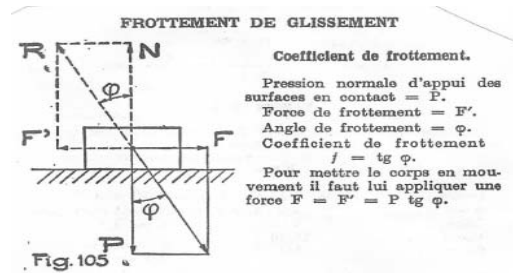


6 5 1 Fenders on downstream side

Reminder

As far as the design of fenders and gates is concerned every design for impact load should be based on two different assumptions of friction:

- Absence of sliding friction between ship hull and gate: $f = \tan \varphi = 0$
- Maximum friction: $f = f_{\max}$



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Timber Gate Fenders

- Economical
- Good energy absorption
- Potentially shorter service life than UHMW – rotting; friction properties becoming spoilt with aging



UHMW-PE Glass Reinforced Gate Fenders

- Low coefficient of sliding friction
- Reduces “Stick-Slip” behavior on contact
- Long service life

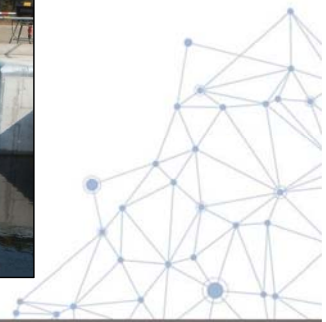


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Bumpers

In case of an accidental sliding impact, bumpers are used to minimize:

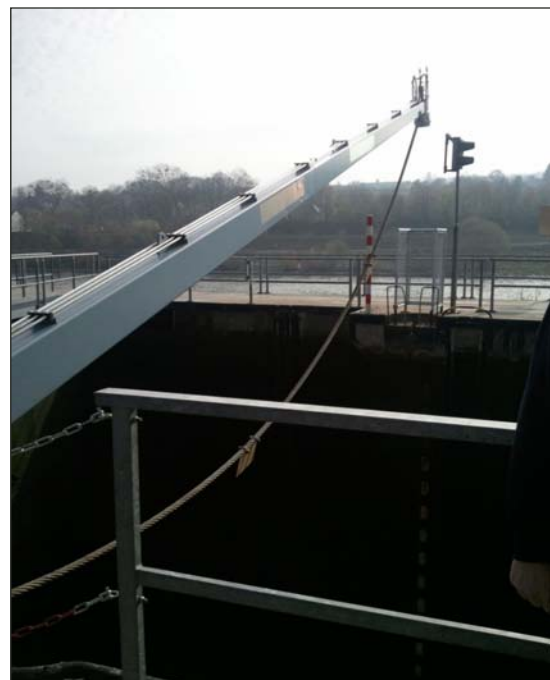
- the overall loading of the recessed gate,
- the simultaneous machinery loading.



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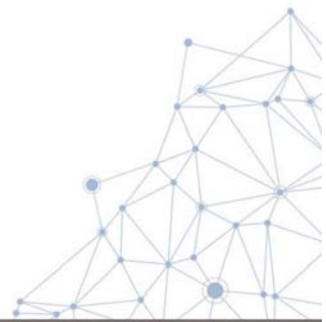
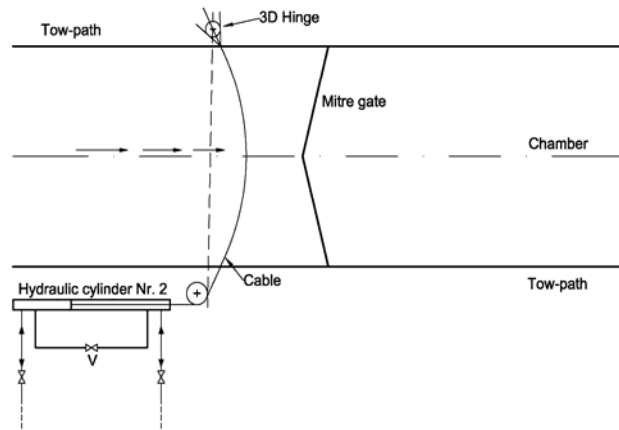
Ship Arrestor System (not attached to gates)

- Design reduces the risk for mitre gate damage due to vessel impact
- The necessary elongation for proper cable function and energy absorption (order of magnitude: 4 to 5 metres) requires a corresponding lengthening of the lock chamber.
- This can be expensive construction for which investment has to be weighed against the risk of failure of the water retaining structure and navigation interruptions
- Mechanical system in itself: cost-effective and easy to maintain



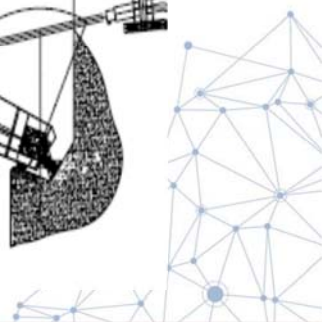
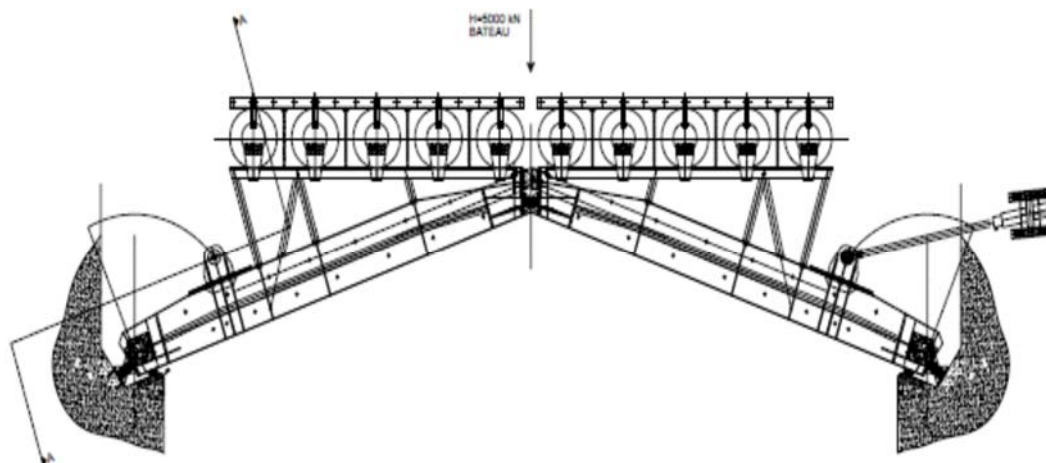
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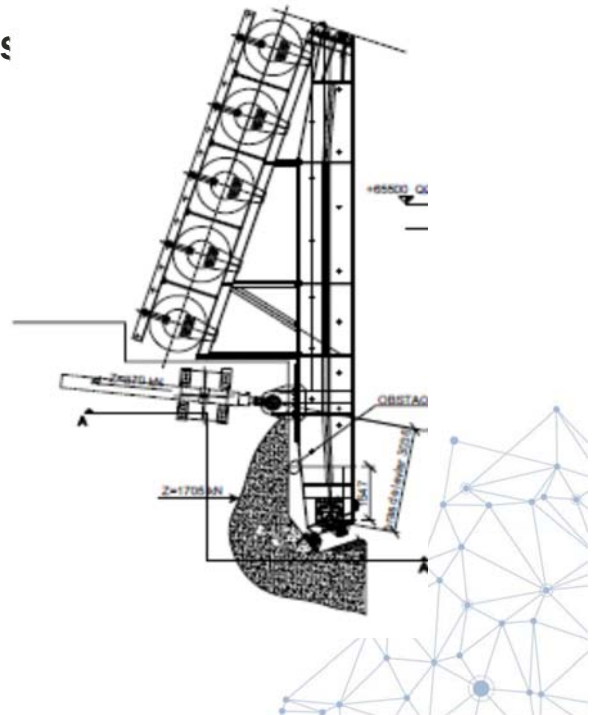
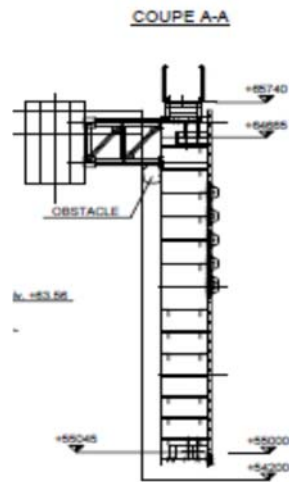
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Rubber Crushable Pipes System (system attached to gates)



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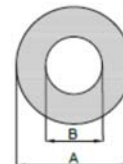
- Rubber Crushable Pipes System (system attached to gates and partially immersed)



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Crushable Pipes System (system attached to gates)

- When compared to the prior system, the crushing necessary for a pipe's proper function is less than the cable elongation; the resulting dynamic amplification is thus greater than that of the cable system.



Standard dimensions

A (mm)	B (mm)	Weight (kg/m)
100	50	7.2
150	75	16.3
200	100	29.0
250	125	45.3
300	150	65.2
380	190	105
400	200	116
450	225	147
500	250	181
600	300	255
800	400	453
1000	500	707
1200	600	1018
1400	700	1396
1600	800	1940
1800	900	2597
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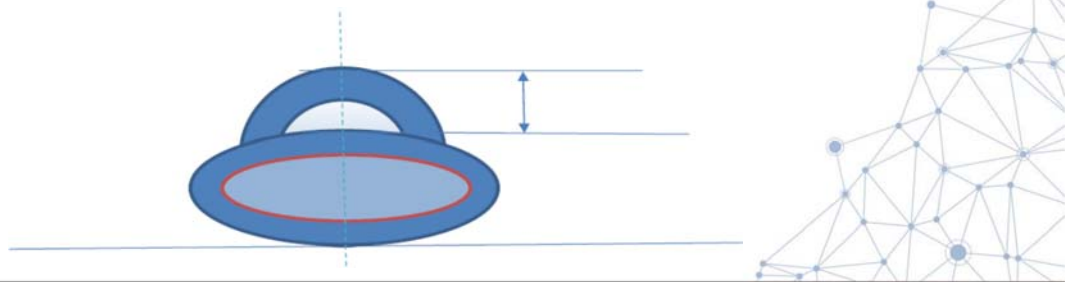
Other non standard dimensions available on request.



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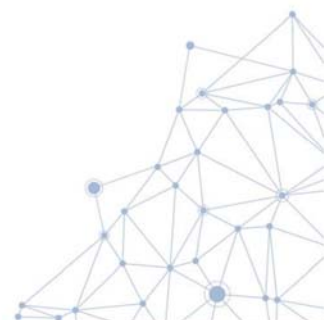
Crushable Pipes System (system attached to gates)

- Advantage: the space required along the length of the chamber is relatively small and the overall investment cost is reduced.
- Mechanical system: cost-effective and easy to maintain



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- Spare Parts
- Spare Gates
- Gate Repair
- Ice and Debris Management
- Inspections

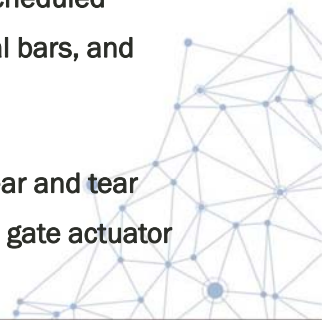


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Spare Parts

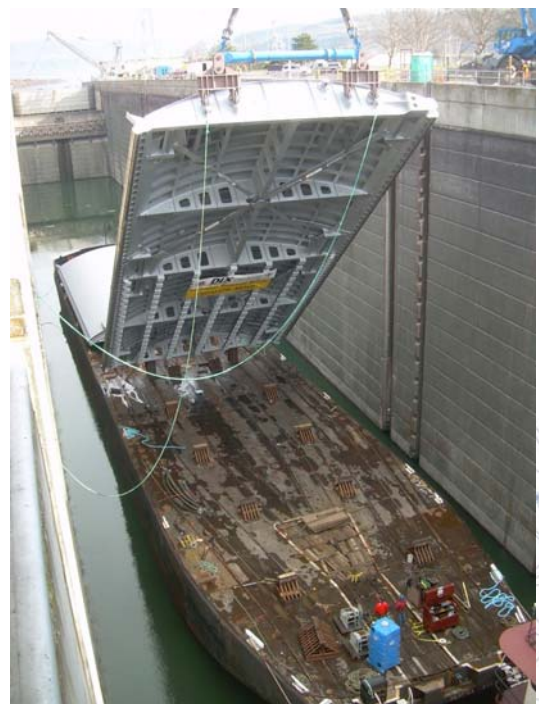
- The operation of mitre gates requires stocking spare parts for the most fragile parts on a permanent basis.
- Split into two categories:
 - **Emergency Parts**
 - Replacement cannot be foreseen and therefore cannot be scheduled
 - Anchorage bars and linkages, pintles, gudgeon pins, diagonal bars, and operating strut arms
 - **Scheduled Replacement Parts**
 - Those parts which will need to be replaced due to normal wear and tear
 - Pintle bushings, gudgeon pin bushings, anchorage bushings, gate actuator parts and sensors, fenders, seals, and sensors



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Spare Gates

- Typically, the acceptable time period for navigation interruption is much shorter than the time required for major repairs or replacement.
- This is why there is a need for spare mitre gates that can be placed into operation in a relatively short amount of time.
- Depending on gate size and crane capacities, gates are stored at locks, on barges or in special buildings to preserve their condition.
- An analysis needs to be performed to determine the duration and costs of navigation interruption compared to the delay and costs of having spare gates.



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Gate Repair

- Gate weight, site accessibility and navigation interruption time will drive the need for repairing the gate in-place or removal of the gate.
- The mitre gate may contain lifting lugs that were used during construction
 - Facilitates handling during shop fabrication, erection, and initial placement of the gate
 - Facilitates maintenance operations
- Larger gates should be designed with jacking points
 - Allows the gate to be moved vertically using hydraulic jacks for initial placement, removal or maintenance of the pintle or seals



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Ice and Debris Management

- Ice prevention and ice breaking measures require flexibility. Why?
 - Disparity of the inland waterways
 - Geographical location within the country
 - Type of inland waterway traffic
- High volume air bubbler systems
 - Move ice and debris from the gate recess area such that the gate may fully recess
 - Low volume air systems or propeller systems can be attached to the gates to prevent the build-up of ice on the gates
- Electric thermal strip systems



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Inspections

- Underwater divers
 - Historical method
- An alternative technique
 - Refers to a process which replaces and prevents diving (human immersion)
 - Remote camera inspection
- A complementary technique
 - Submerged or non-submerged assistance operations provided during an underwater diving operation
 - The main objective of complementary techniques to diving is to improve the safety of the underwater operations and reduce the risks faced by divers

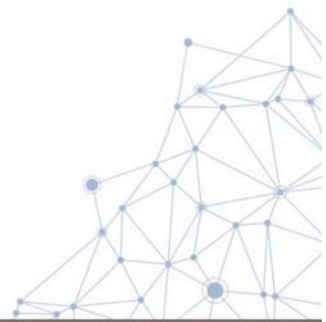


Remote automatic dredging



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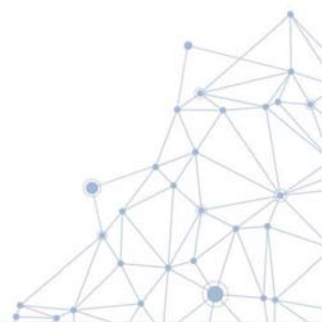
- Design to accommodate safety of navigation, structural robustness, ease of future maintenance
- Consideration of new materials, weighing advantages and limits
- Standardization can be very useful



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Operations Appendix A – Charts to Assess Mitre Gate Opening/Closure Time

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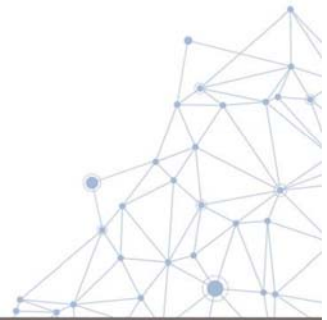
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- 1. Mitre gate Operating Speed**
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1. Mitre gate Operating Speed

The rotational speed value chosen for the miter gates is very important for...

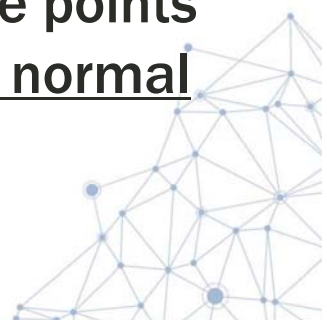
- **the total time** taken for the closing and opening operations;
- **working out the maximum operating forces**;
- **selecting the hydraulic equipment** (pumps, pressure and pump flow rates for the actuators).



2. Results of the WG 154 Survey and Proposal of Design Charts

Group 154 conducted a survey to help the designers choosing **relevant values of the opening and closing times.**

These values can be used as reference points for classifying a movement as a slow, normal or fast movement.



2. Results of the WG 154 Survey and Proposal of Design Charts

- Recap of the survey's assumptions
- The inventory does not take any lubrication type, or system of upper & lower hinges into account, and no water temperature effect. **It only applies to steel gates.**
- Gates are always supposed to operate during **normal operating conditions** without taking into account any particular design specification or code, wave, wind loading or other loading.

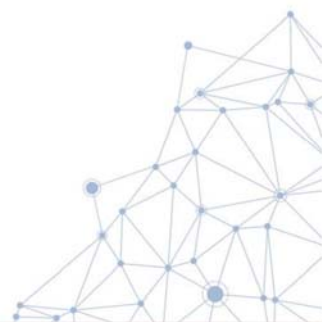


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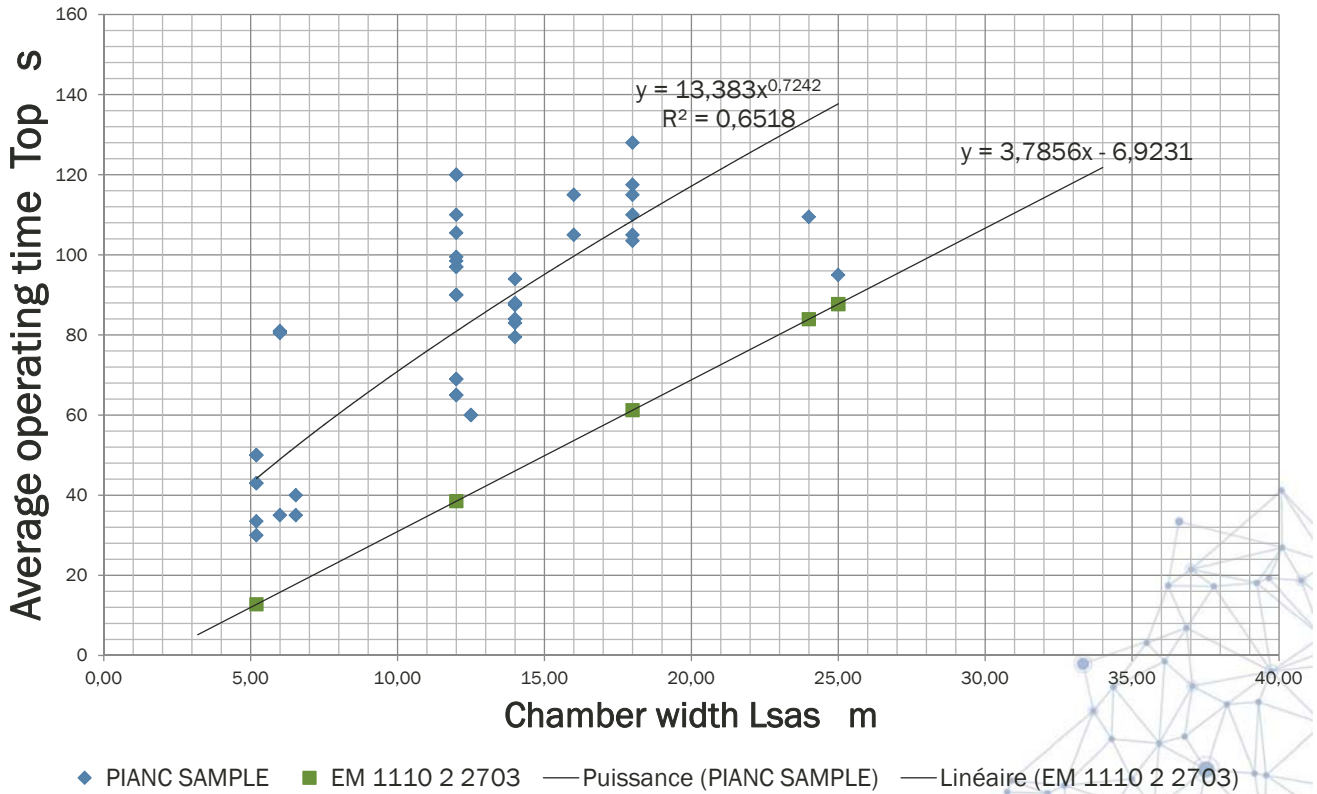
The operating time of a gate is between 50 s and 120 s.

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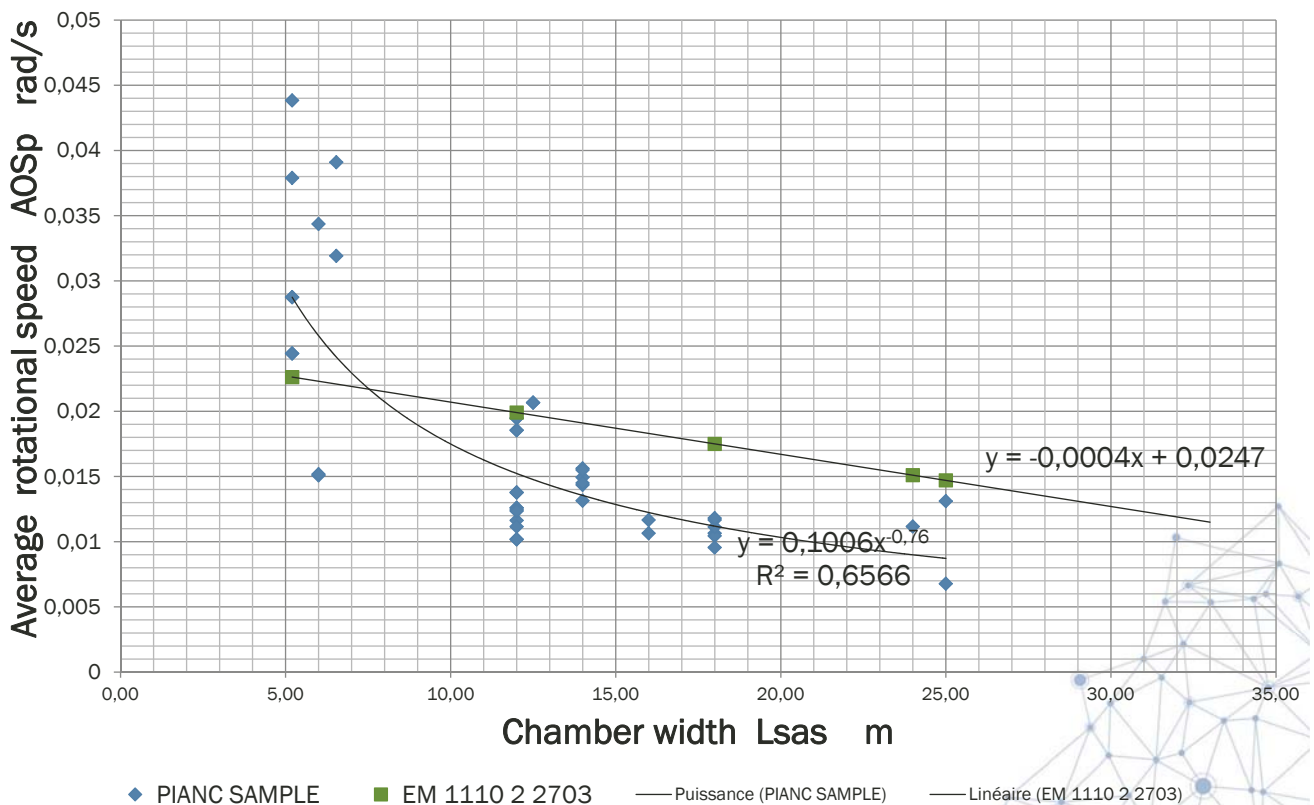
- **Average operating time**
- **Average rotational speed**



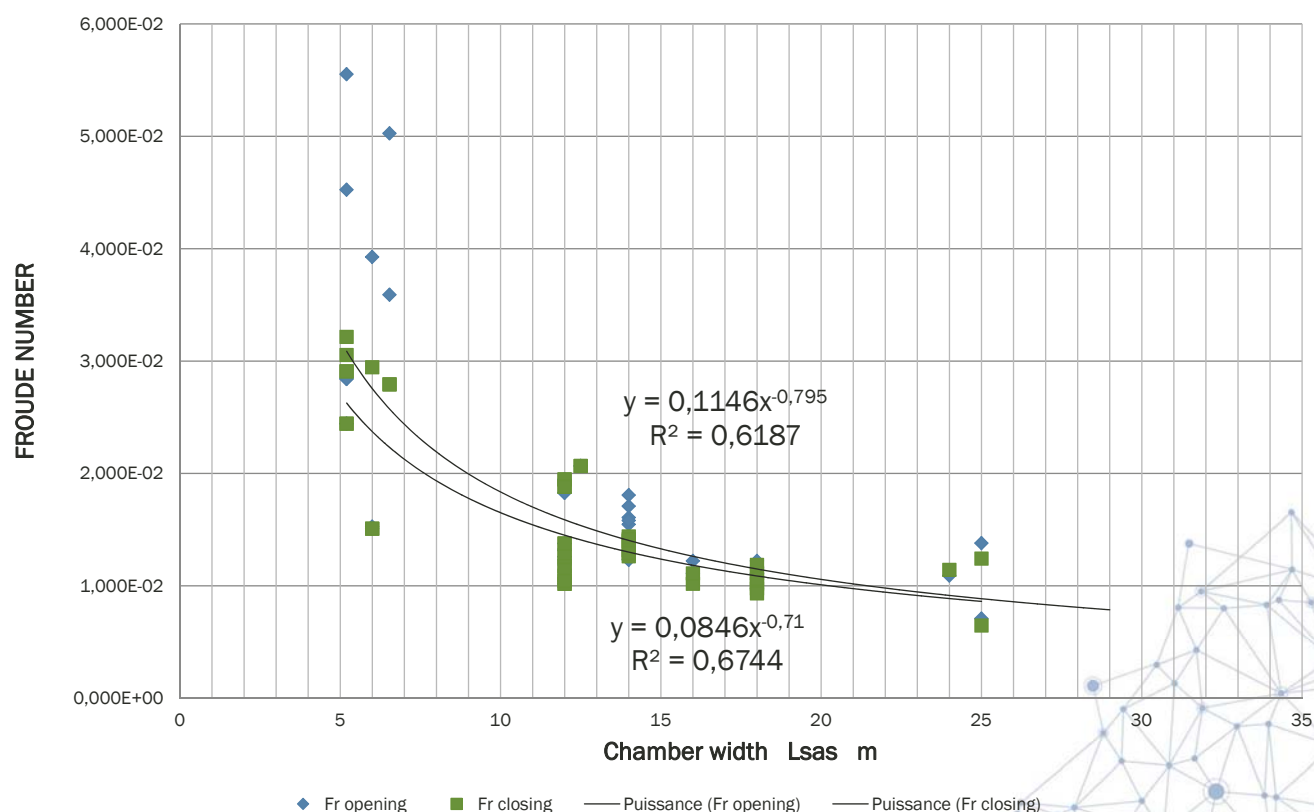
Graph Average Operating Time



Average Rotational Speed



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2. Results of WG 154 Survey and Proposal of Design Charts

How to hose a relevant **closing** (opening) **time value** and **average rotational speed** ?

We interpret the standard deviation S intuitively, i.e. we state that:

- Approximately 68% of the observations are within one standard deviation S of the mean M , i.e. within the interval $M + - (1 * S)$;
- Approximately 95% of the observations are within two standard deviations of the mean M , i.e. within the interval $M + - (2 * S)$.

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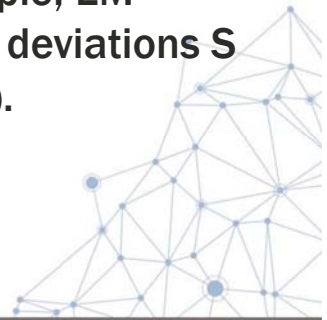
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3. Comparison with US Design Specification EM 1110-2-2703 and conclusion

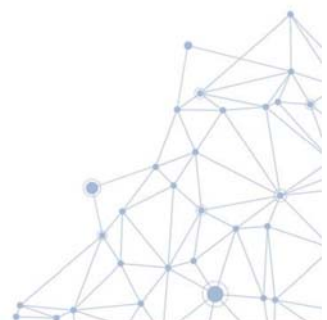
- Specification for chamber widths between 25 m (smaller gates) and 34 m (larger gates).
- The time proposed by the EM 1110 design specification is shorter and should be considered as belonging to $\sim\sim 95\%$ of the target group described in the PIANC sample; EM 1110 values are small and within two standard deviations S of the mean M , i.e. within the interval $M - (2*S)$.



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Conclusions

- Mitre gates have a long history and have been used in a wide variety of conditions, heights, and widths
- This variety of conditions pose difference advantages and disadvantages

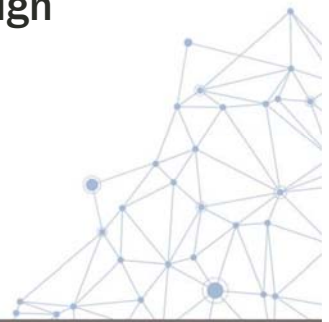


Recommendations for Design, Geometry, and Framing

- Vertically framed more economical and easier to maintain for height-to-width ratios of less than about 0.7
- Top and Bottom Hinges that accommodate tolerances for fabrication, wear, and construction improves load transfer and longevity
- Gate operating mechanism: Ohio River (direct connected mechanism)
- Design to accommodate ease of future maintenance
- Diagonals method of tensioning located near the top of the gate, preferably above the water line, for accessibility and corrosion prevention.

Recommendations for Computational Analysis

- Ship impact can be more easily considered at early design stage without having to use nonlinear finite elements
- Feedback from instrumentation and structural health monitoring is providing better understanding of gate behavior that can be modeled and improve design



Recommendations for Materials, Seals, and Maintenance

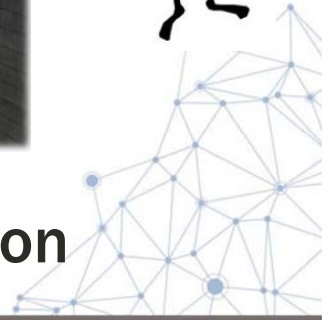
- For materials used, consider structural demands and match them with materials that have best properties to meet performance and longevity
- Consider new materials - applicability depends on the material properties, performance history, limitations and specific conditions.
- Attaching seals to the gate rather than to the concrete wall or sill results in easier maintenance
- Standardization: reduces part inventory, improves consistency in repair & replacement methods, and reduces overall maintenance costs



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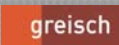




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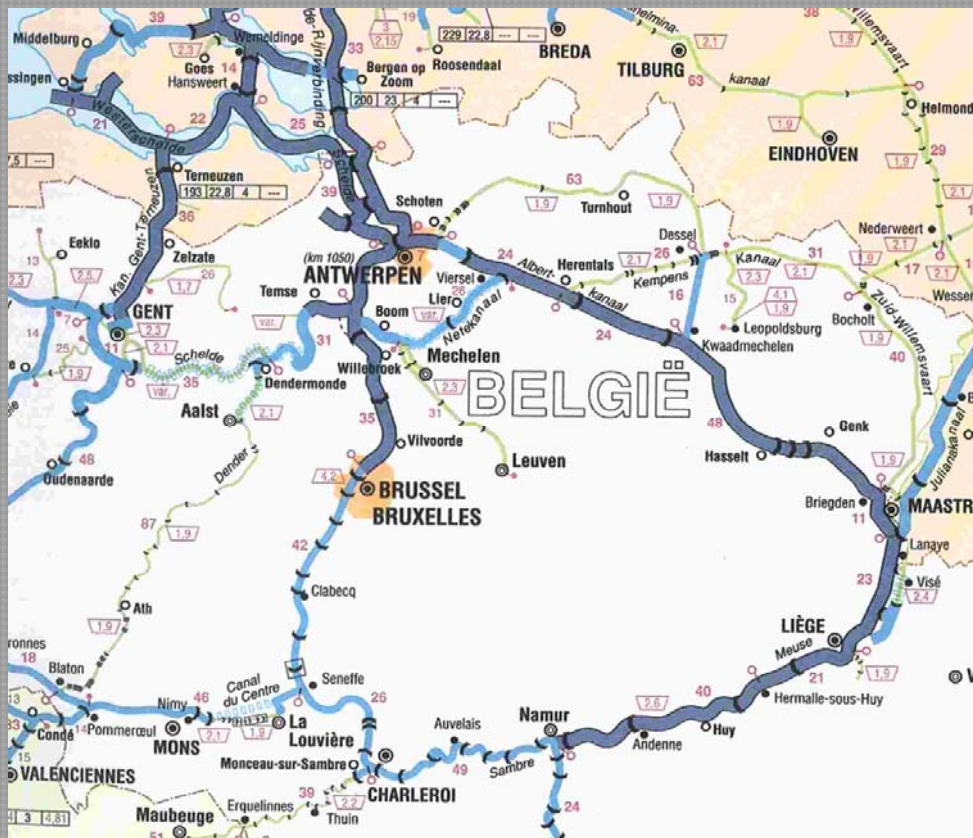


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main dimensions

class VIb lock
225 x 25 m
14m head
butterfly valves
2 longitudinal culverts



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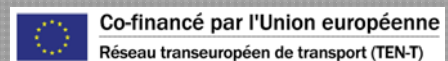
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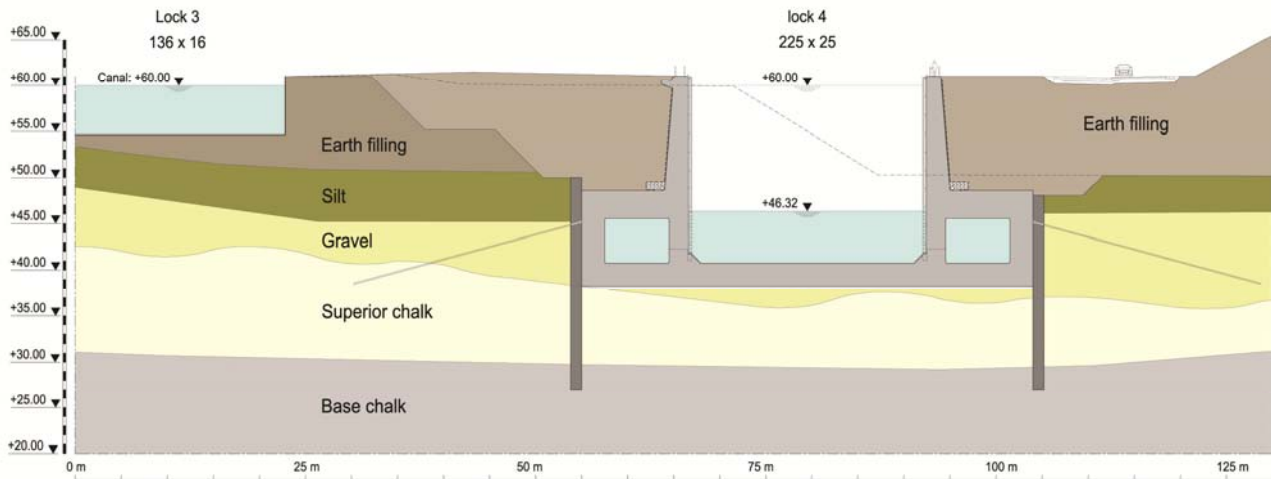
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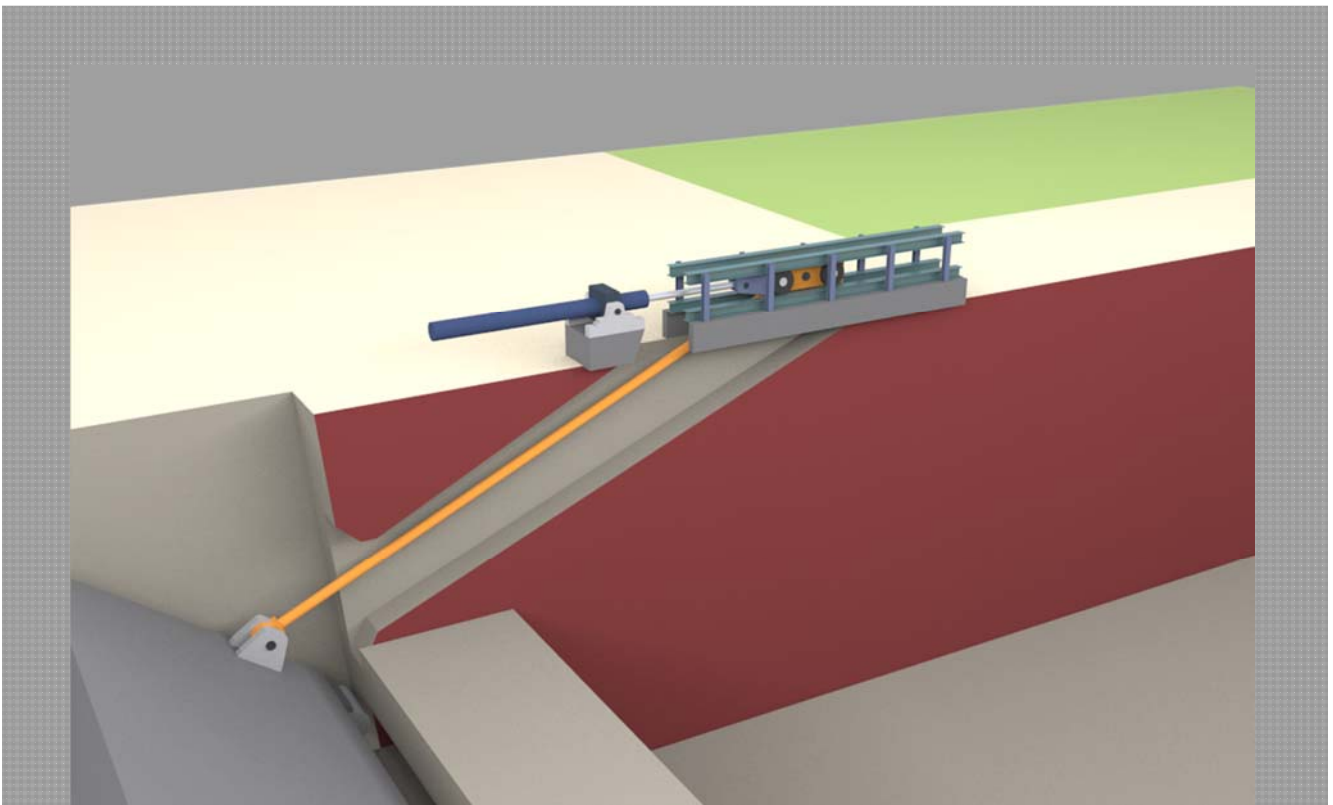
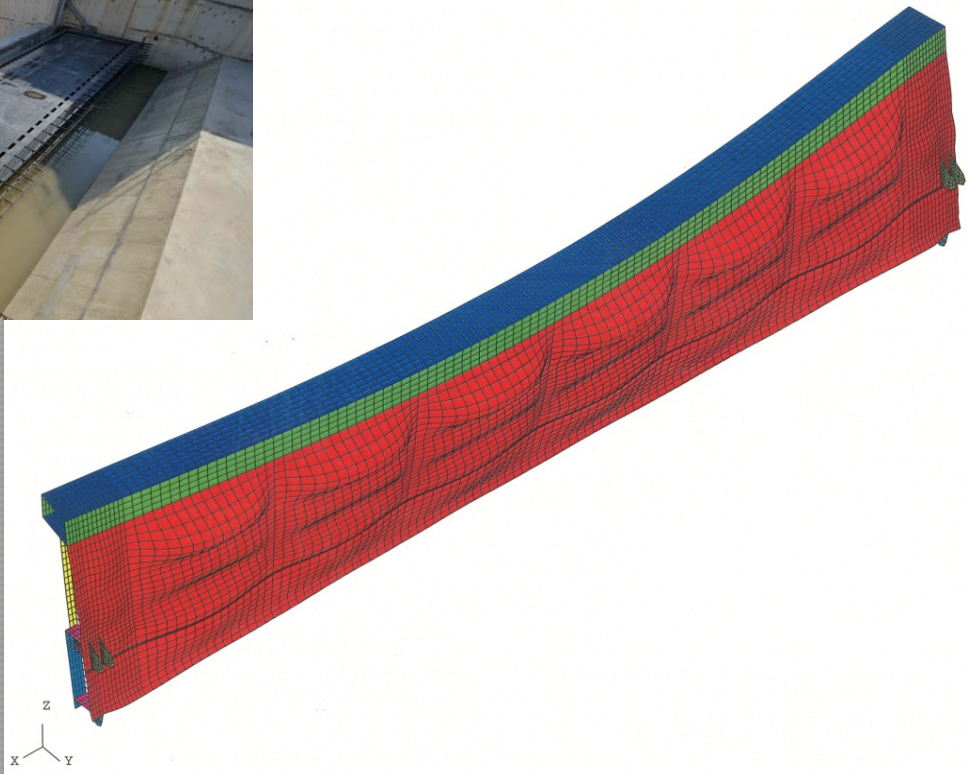
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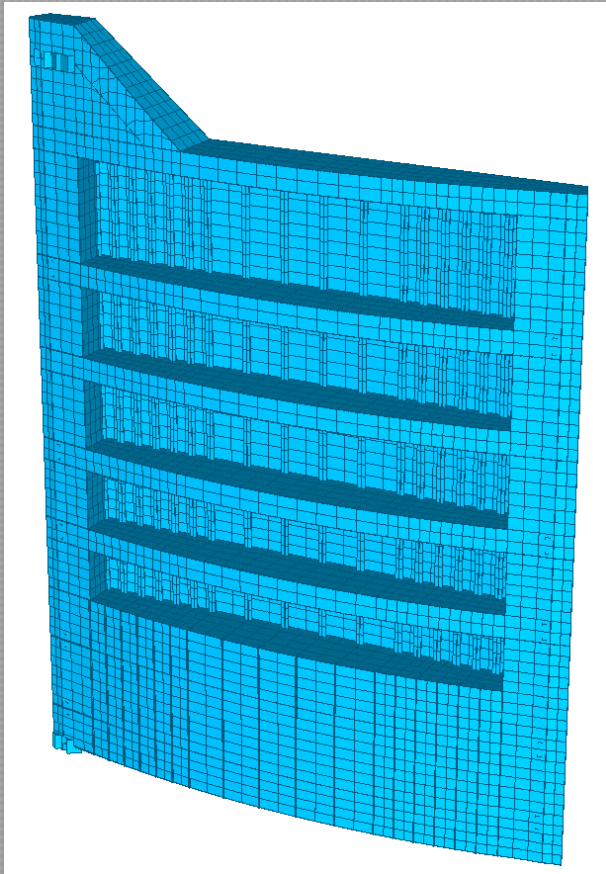
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Flap gate upstream





Mitre gate
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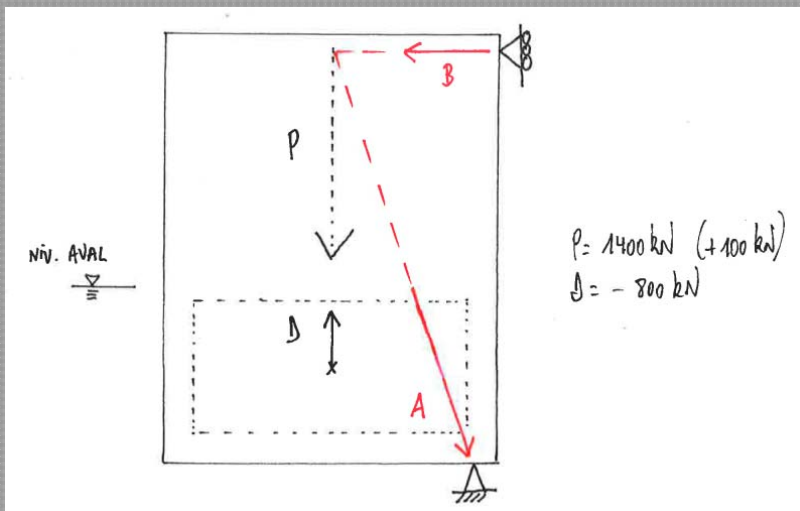


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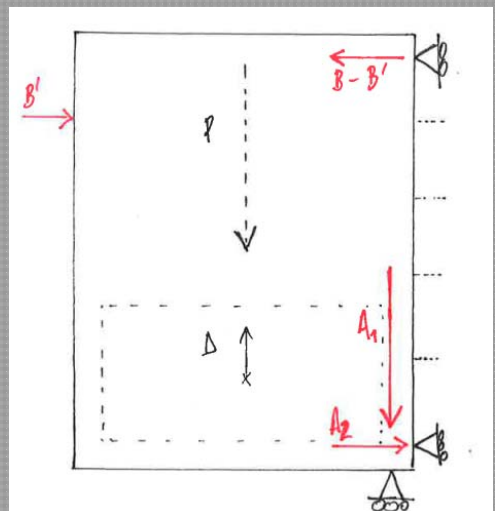
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Supporting points of the gate during rotation



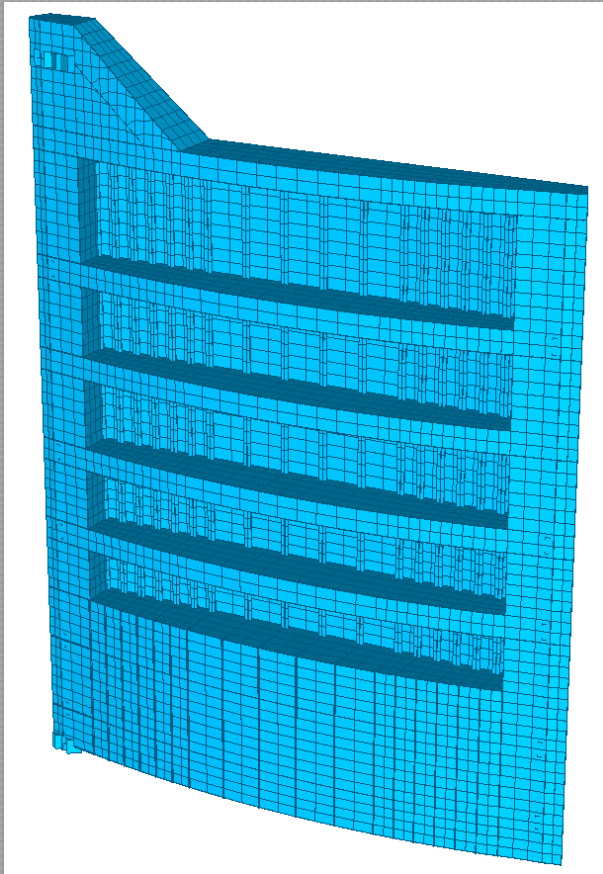
Supporting points of the closed gate



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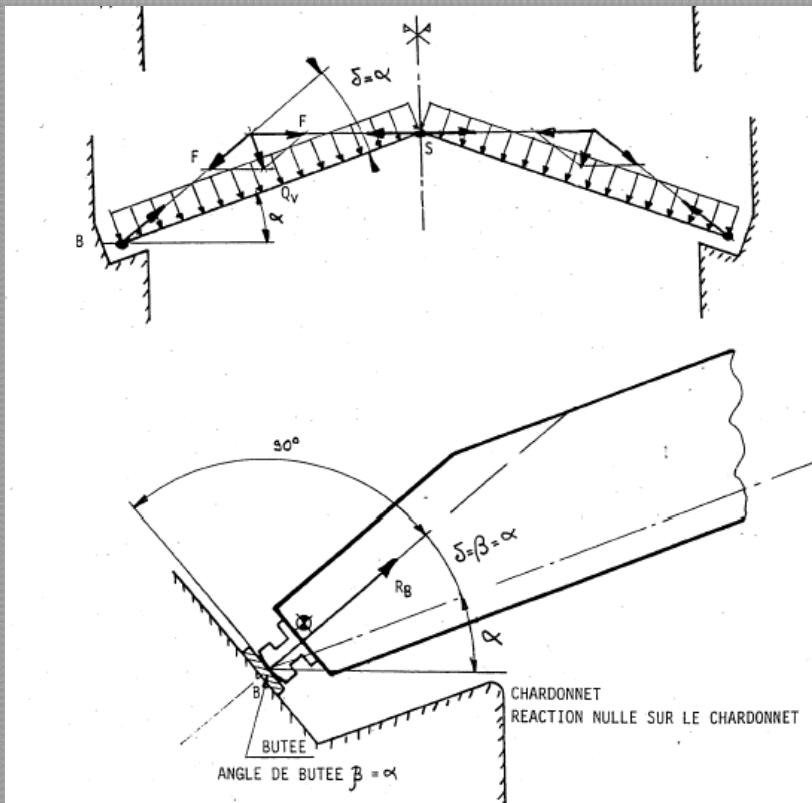




Mitre gate
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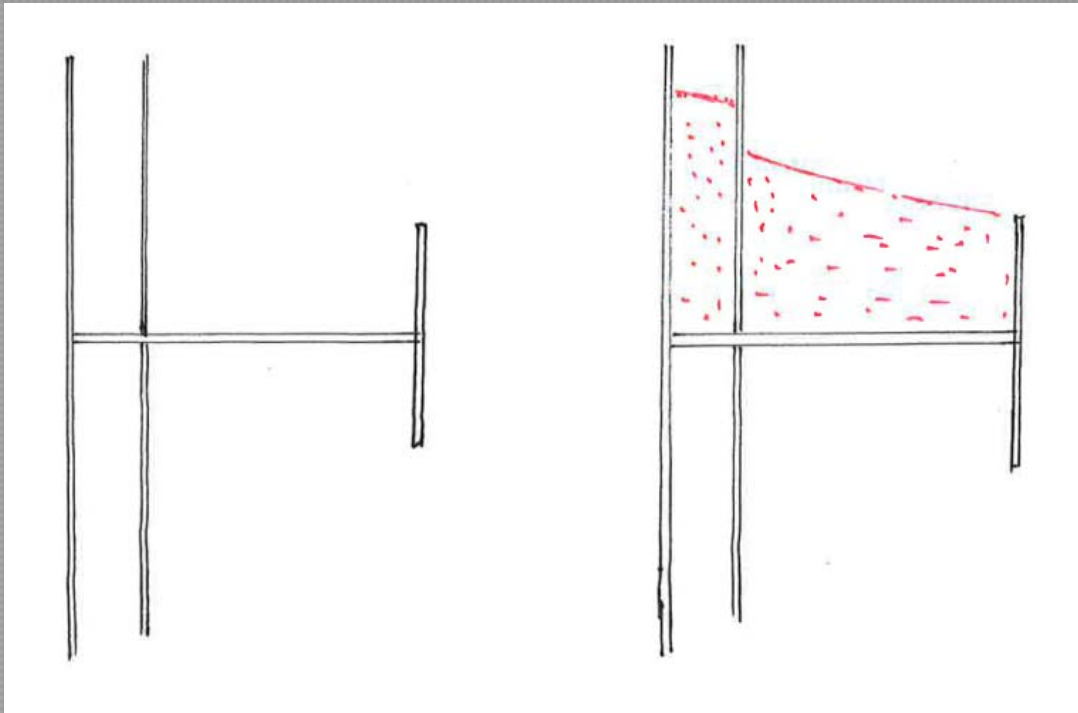


Box girder nr4
(depth. 13m)
- $p = 127 \text{ kN/m}^2$
- $P_{\perp} = 3750 \text{ kN}$
- $F = 5000 \text{ kN}$

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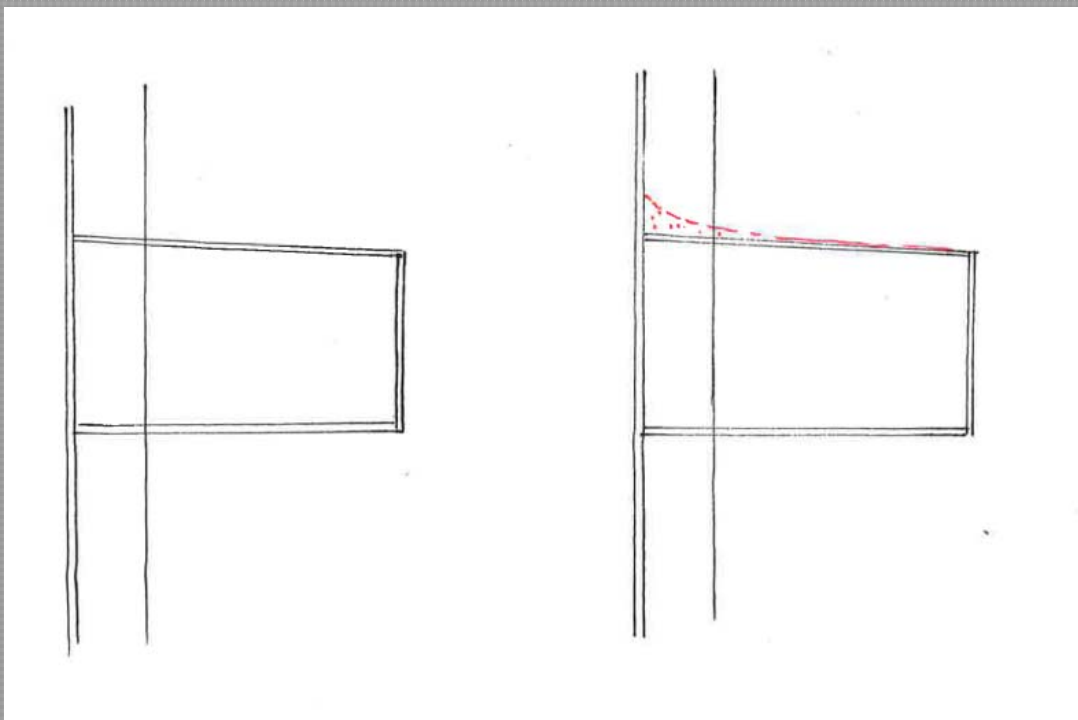
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- Operations made under the authority of the Public Administration of Wallonia
- Close collaboration between all the involved services (Public Administration, Contractors and sub-contractors, Study Office, Supervising Office)
- Common goals : security of the people and the structure, identification of the cause(s), repair strategy, durability and impact minimization (navigation was interrupted during 2 months)



Investigation of causes





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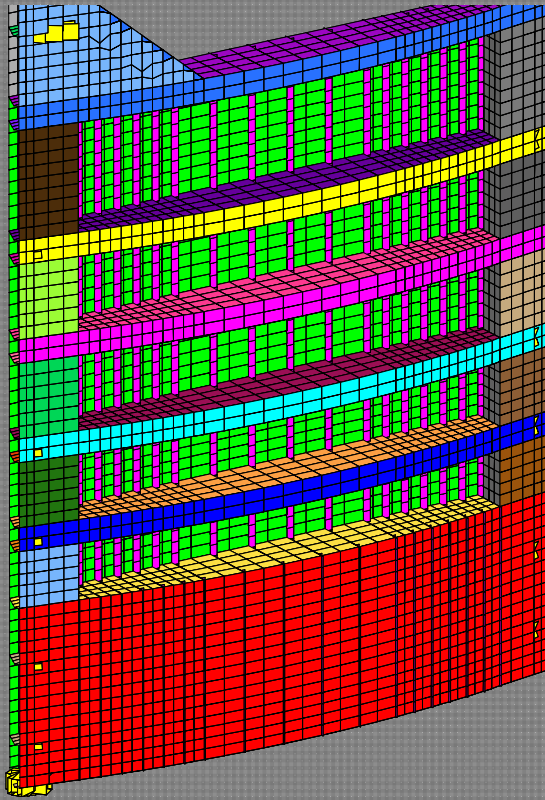
- Combination of bending and shearing effects in the stiffeners (acting as vertical continuous beams):
→ very low stresses
- Lack of ductility in the folded metal : 7mm fillet welds upon 7mm metal sheet
→ Internal bending radius of the sheet 35 mm : ratio ok
- Welding methods (Residual stresses) :
→ all procedures are correct and in accordance with the Execution class of the steel structure

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3D Calculation model of a single leaf

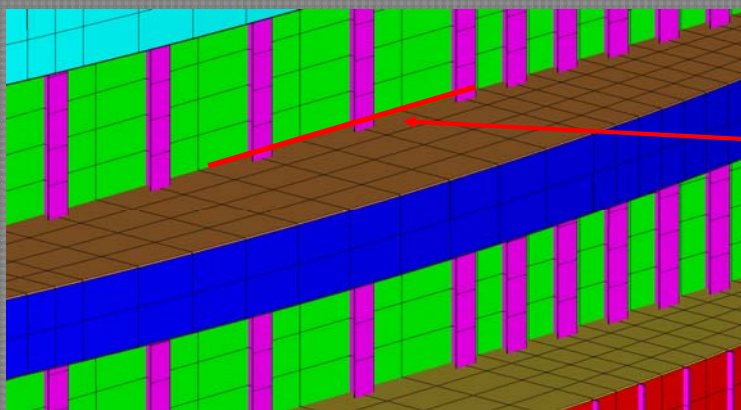


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- Global behaviour of the structure
- Reactions
- Design of all constitutive sheets (thickness, steel grade)
- Design of beams and stiffeners, ...
- Instability verifications

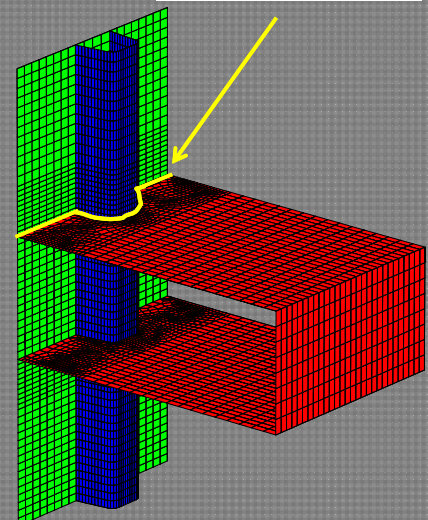
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3D Model : focus on the cracked zone



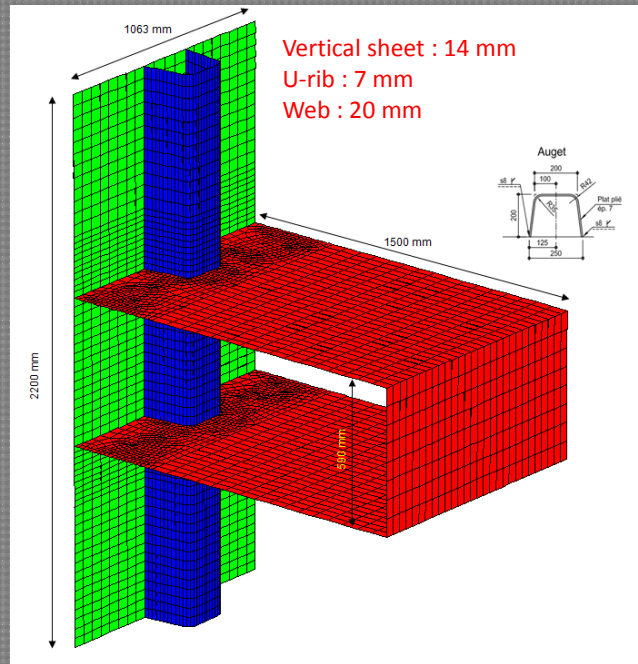
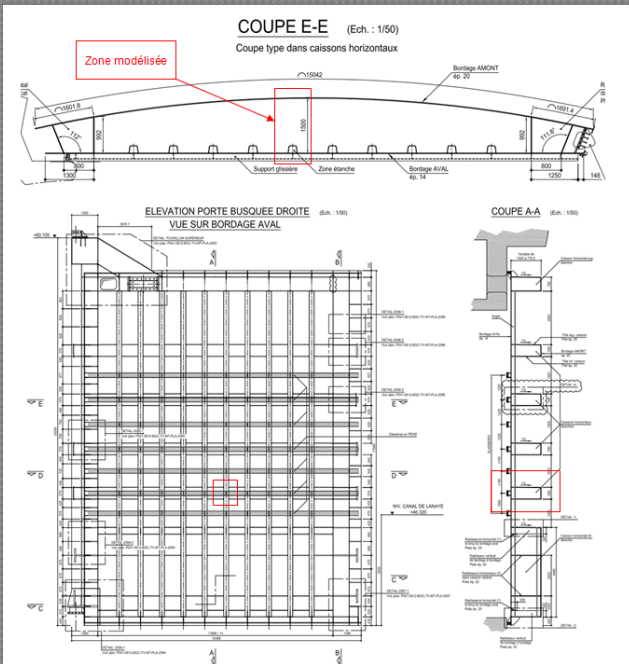
Modelized supporting line

Real supporting line

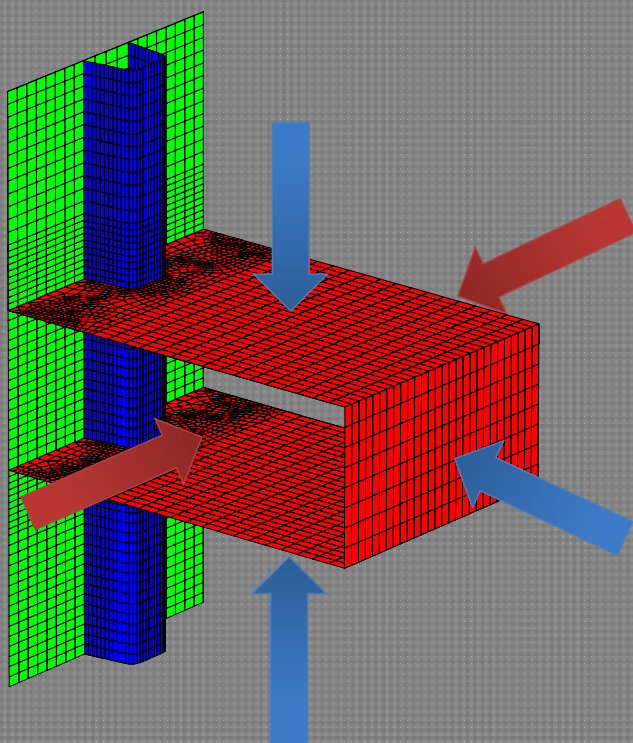


Stiffeners are simulated by equivalent beams, with the appropriate excentricity but the deformation of the webs of the main beams (brown sheet) is not exactly the same.

3D local model : represents one slice of the beam, of the U-ribs and of the main steel sheet



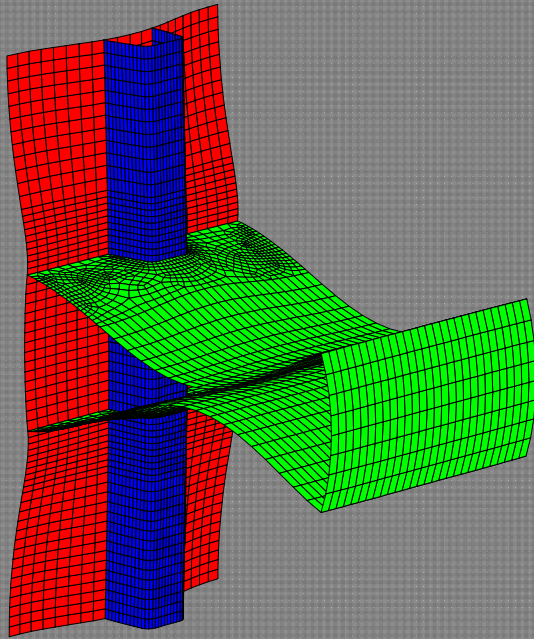
3D local model : defining the actions



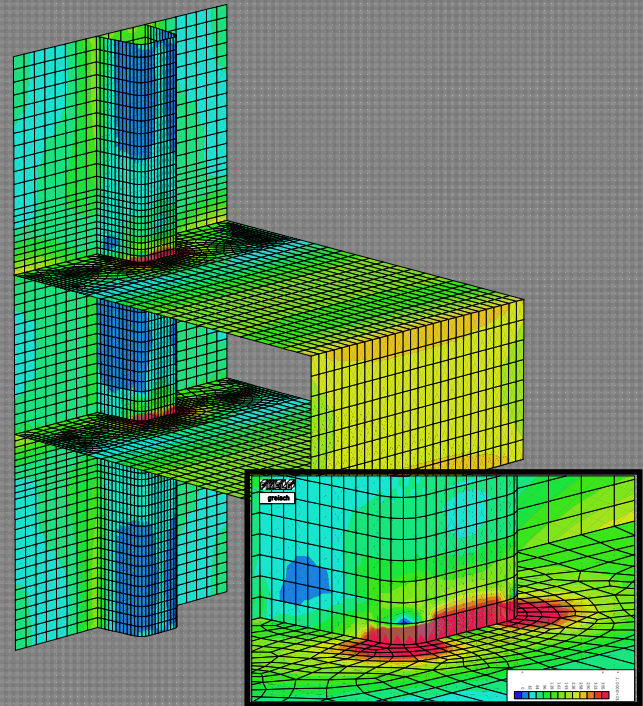
- BLUE : Water pressure upon each side of the box (up to 130 kN/m² for the lowest beam)
- RED : mitre effect (horizontal compression in the beams)

3D local model : results

Deformed shape



Local Von Mises stresses
> 355 N/mm² in red

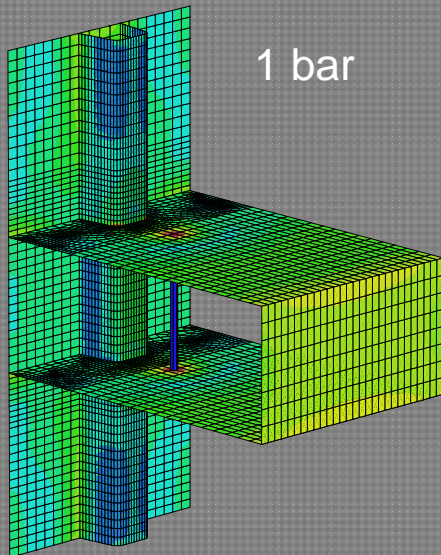


How to fix this?

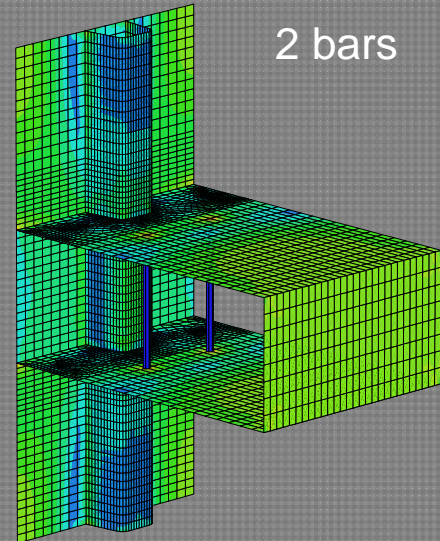
- From the outside? Addition of stiffeners or tie-rods between the box girders : welding , protection, painting + losing the initial simplicity of shapes
- Opening the boxes to balance the water pressure? The boxes are waterproof and not protected – no contact with external air nor water is allowed
- From the inside ? Vertical bars to balance the external pressure

3D local model : reinforcing with bars

Main goal: to minimize the bending stresses at the connexion between the webs and the U-ribs



1 bar

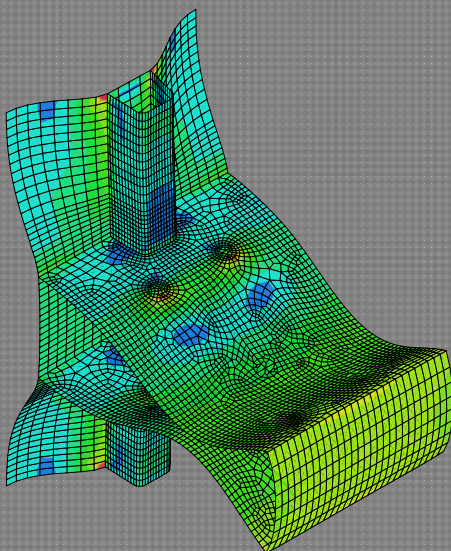


2 bars

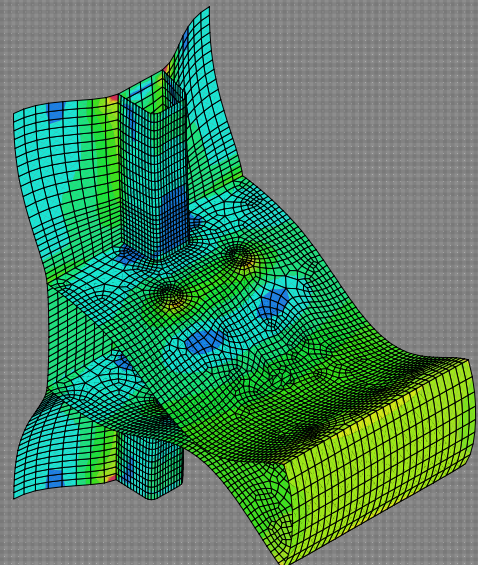
Local stress concentrations

3D local model : reinforcing with steel tubes

2 round welded tubes

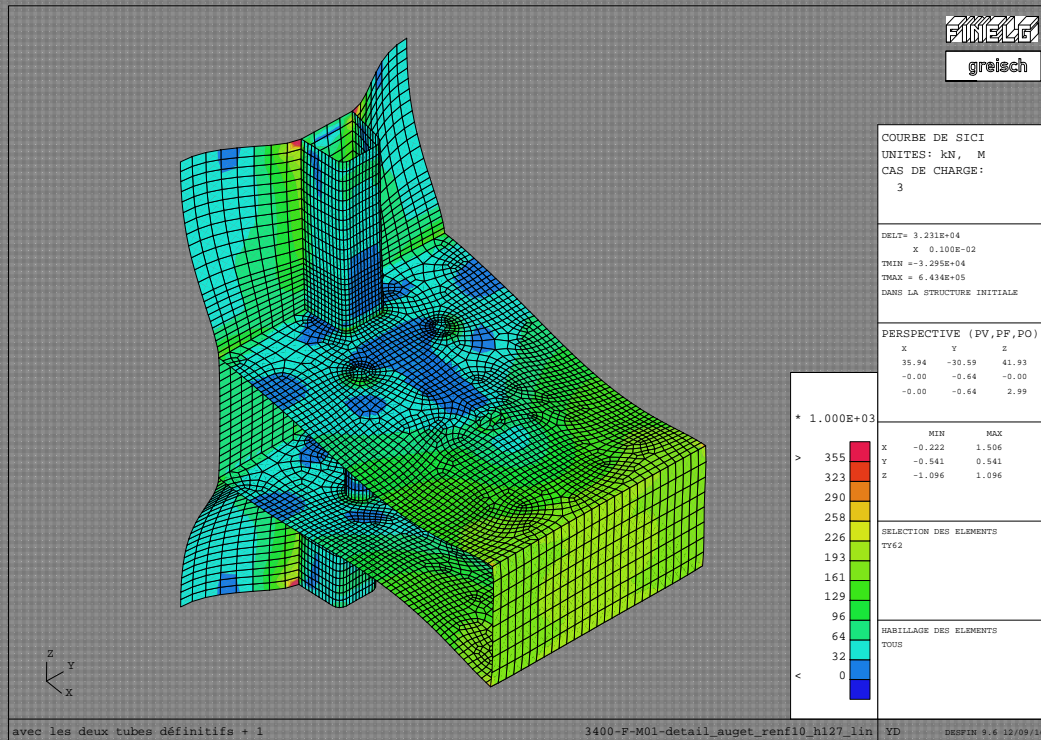


2 locally welded tubes



Easier to introduce, local welding for positioning, simple compression, limitation of bending stresses inside the tubes

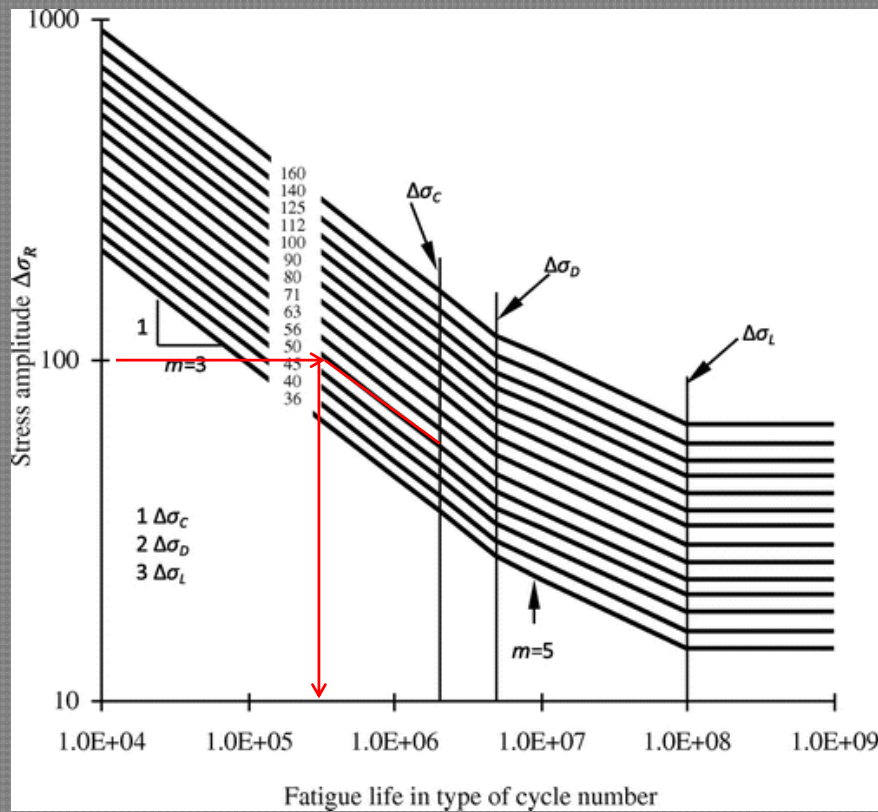
3D local model : reinforcing with steel tubes



This operation cancels the oligo-cyclic fatigue phenomenon.
No more damage is generated

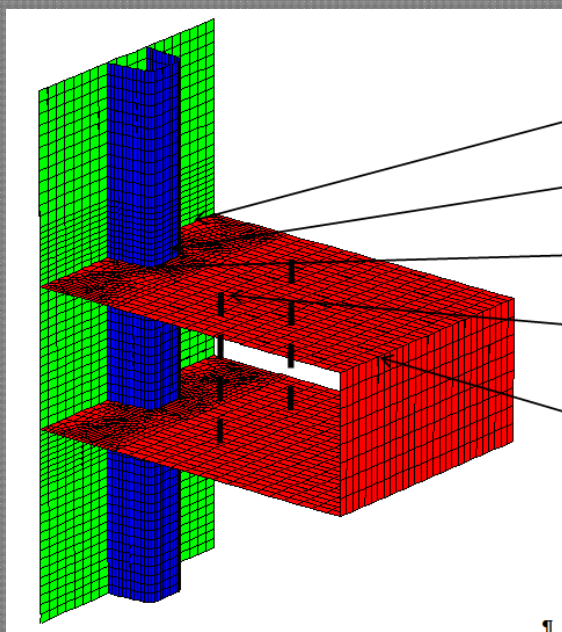
The reinforced structure needs to be verified according to
classical fatigue norms:
20 cycles/d * 300d/year * 50 years = 300 000 cycles

$$\Delta\sigma_{300\,000} \approx 2 * \Delta\sigma_{2\,000\,000}$$



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connexion	detail
Beam web / vertical plate	36*
U-rib reconstitution	36* or 71
U-rib/beam web	36* or 71
Plain web facing the tube	160
Web / flange	100
+ Manholes closure	71

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Follow up

- Regular diving inspections (ultrasonic measures to check that the U-ribs keep dry)
- Periodical emptying of the lock for full welding inspection

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Thank you for your attention !



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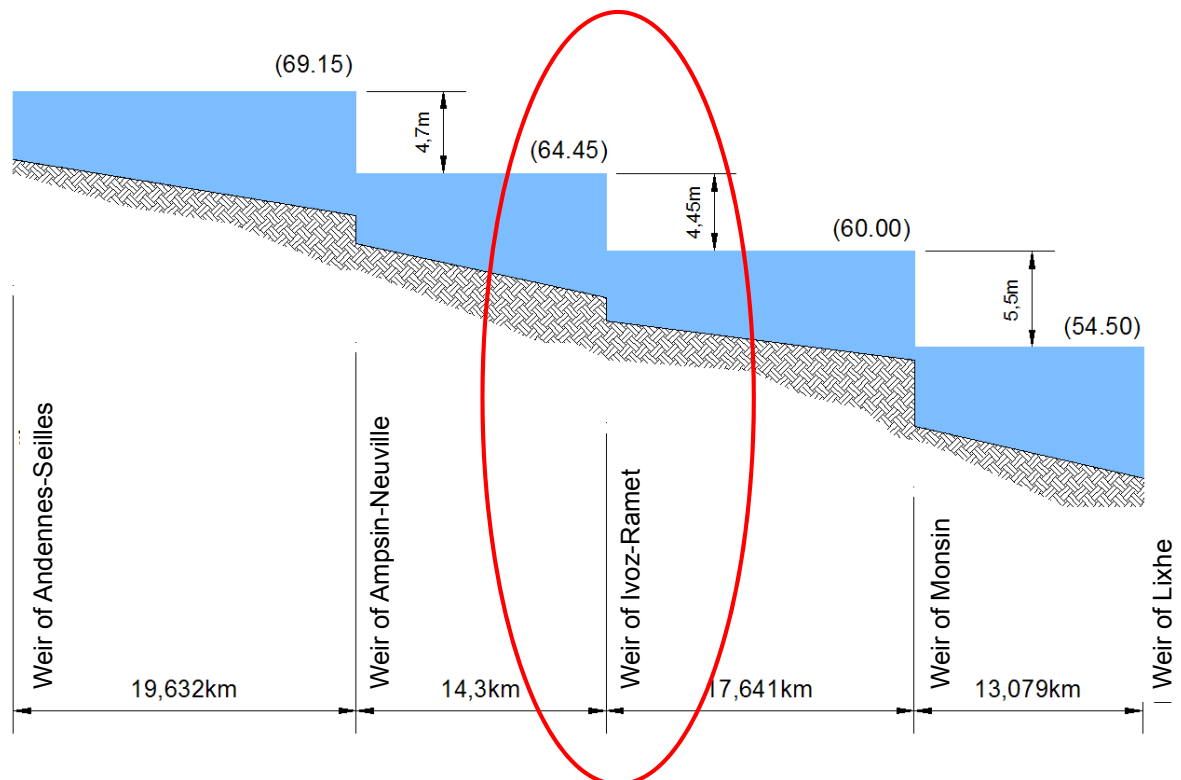
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Two locks equipped with mitre gates

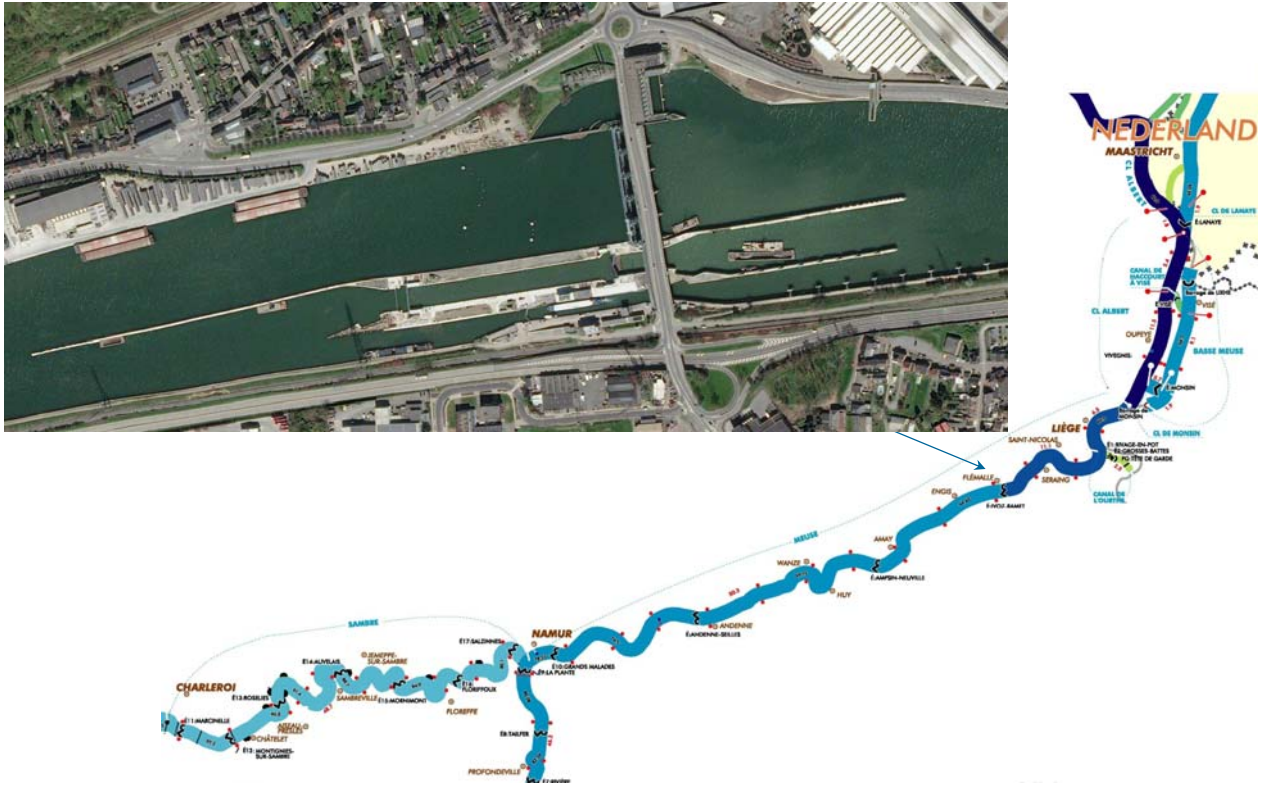
Two modes of transmission of the forces

6th November 2017 - Brussels

Meuse river



Situation

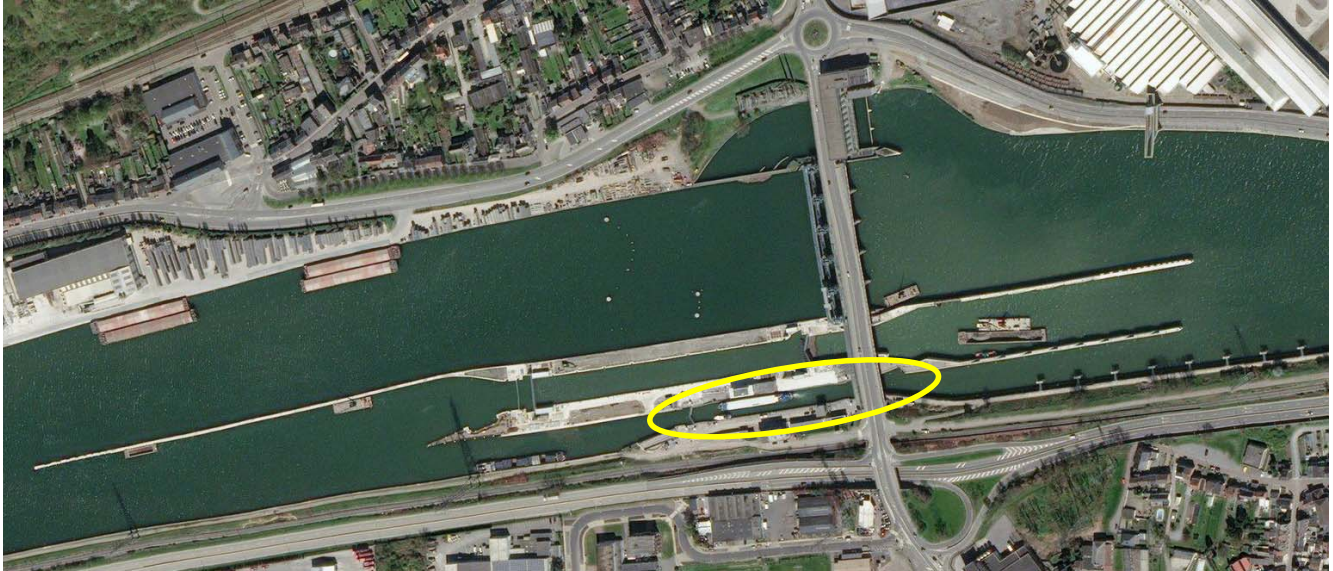


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- Two cases
- Hinges and thrust blocks

Medium lock 136 x 16 m

Free hinge - mixed solution



Lock 136x16m - Description

Filling and emptying system : 2 longitudinal culverts – 4 butterfly valves

Culvert - Valve



Side port



Lock 136x16m - Restoration 1999 to 2001

Substitution

- Hollow quoins and sills
 - Mitre gates (with buoyancy tanks)
 - Valves
- } in 3 weeks during July 1999

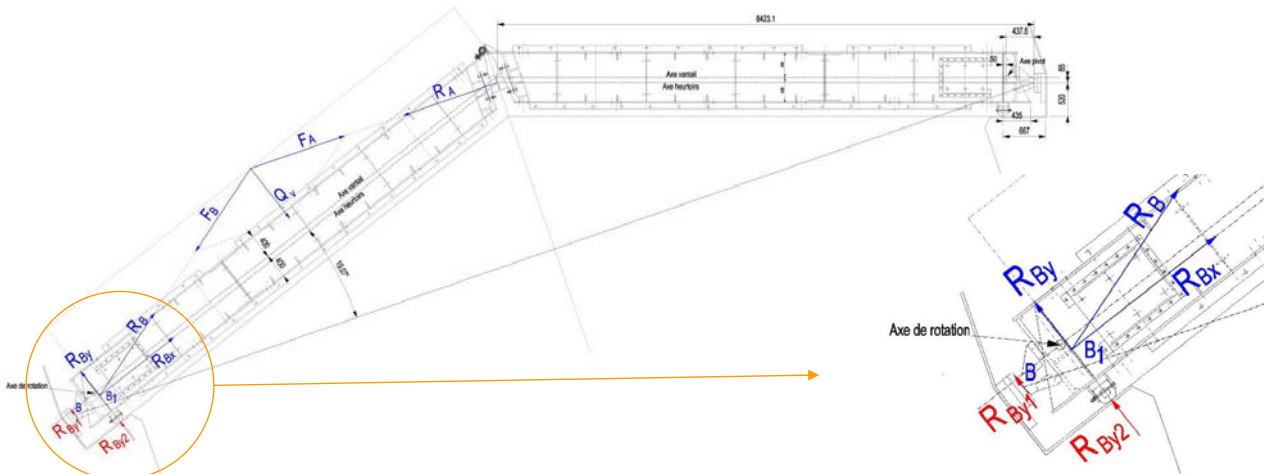


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Lock 136x16m

Mitre gate – Geometry – High: downstream 9.5 m - upstream 6.65 m – Width: 8.42 m

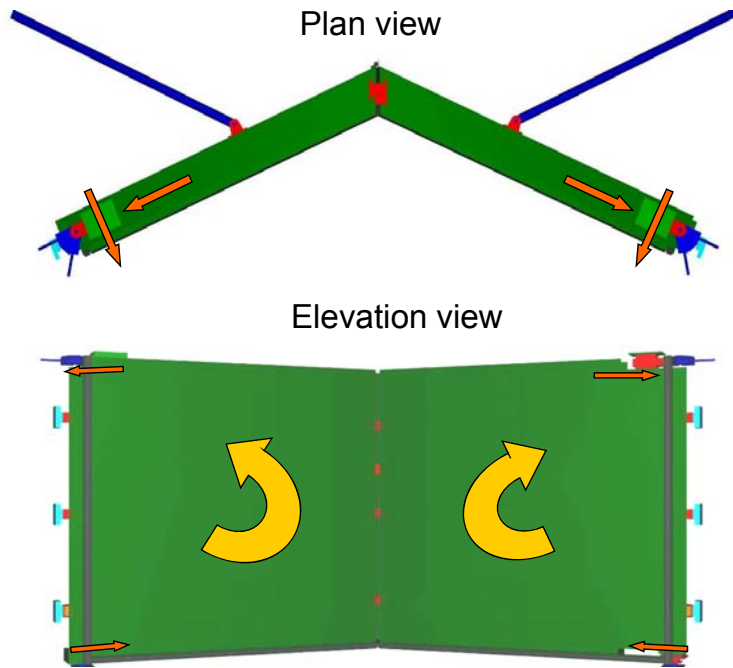
1. $\alpha = 19.07^\circ$ and $\beta = 0 \equiv$ **Mixed solution**
2. Hydrostatic force $Q_v = 2340$ kN/leaf
3. Reaction on thrust blocks $R_{Bx} = 3400$ kN
4. Reaction perpendicular to leaf axis: $R_{By} = 1170$ kN = friction. block R_{By1} + hollow quoin R_{By2}



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Gate closing

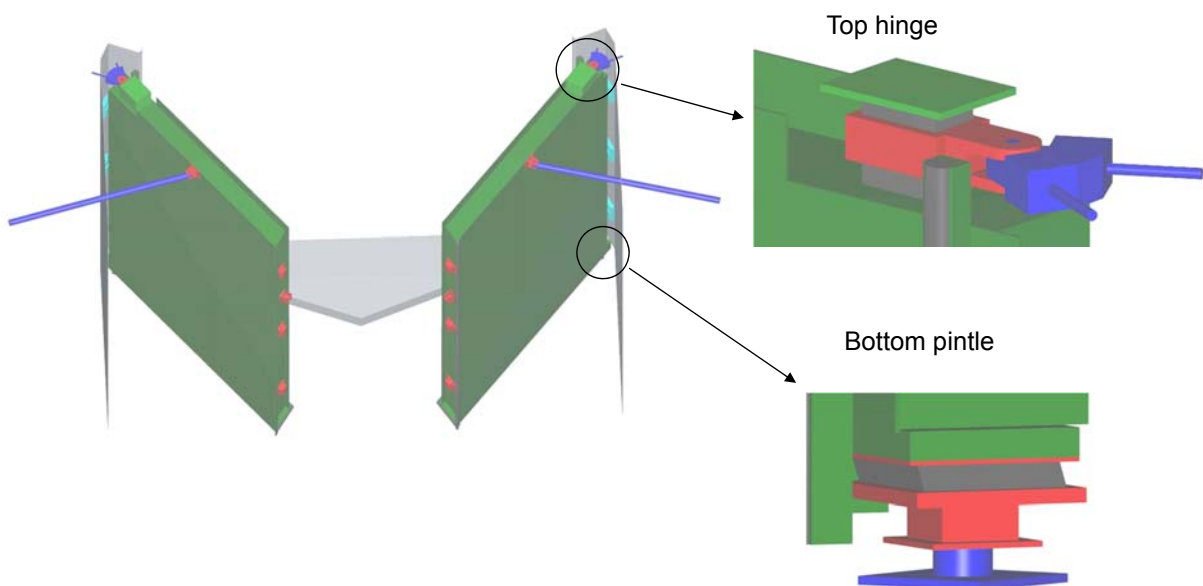


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Free hinge

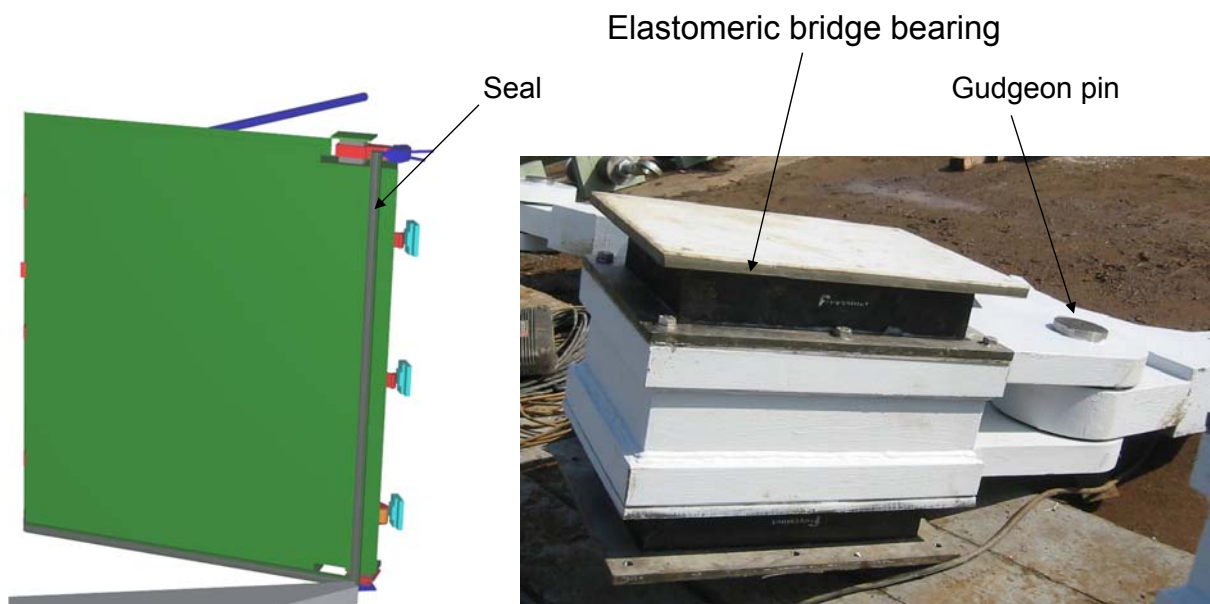
Possible movement of the leaf during closing carried out by the neoprene



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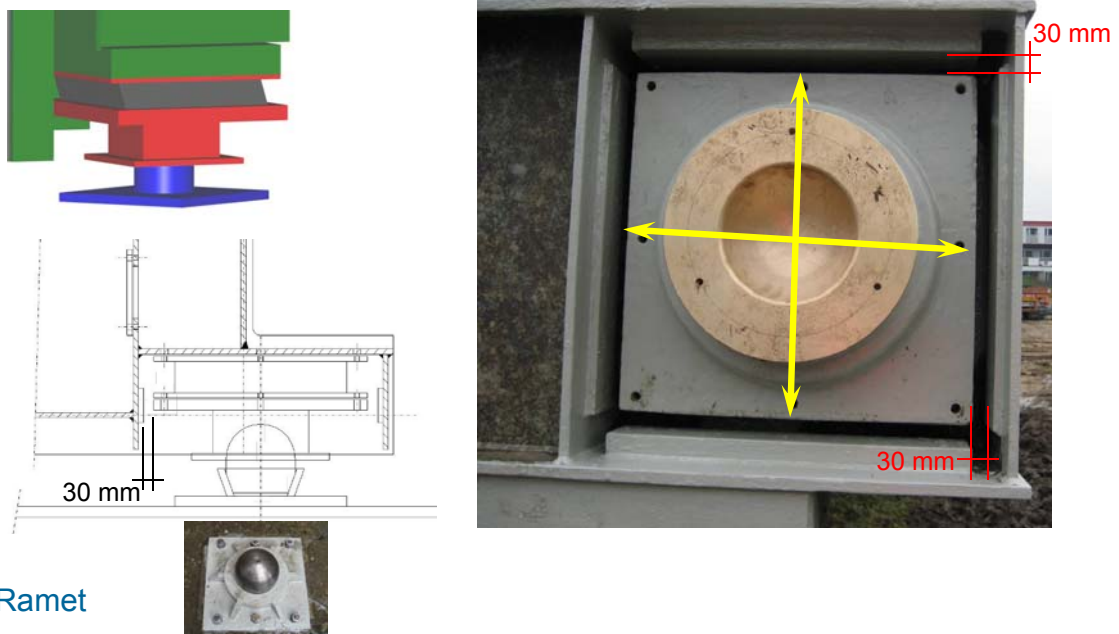
1. The seal of the gate is applied perfectly on the wall → very good sealing
2. Crushing of the seal – Buckling a part of stresses



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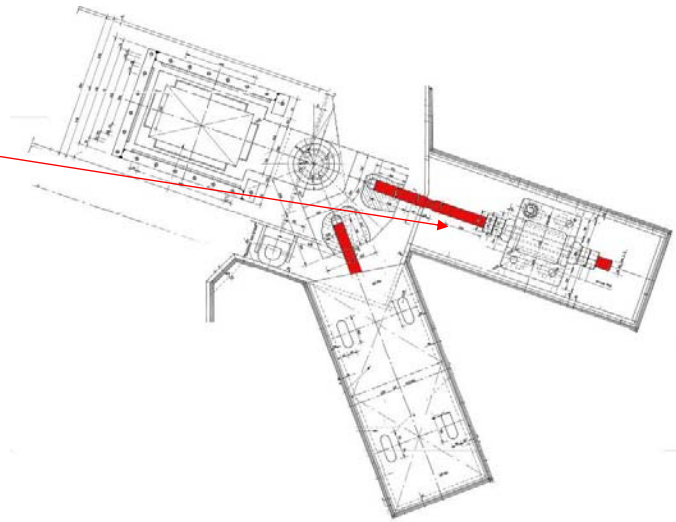
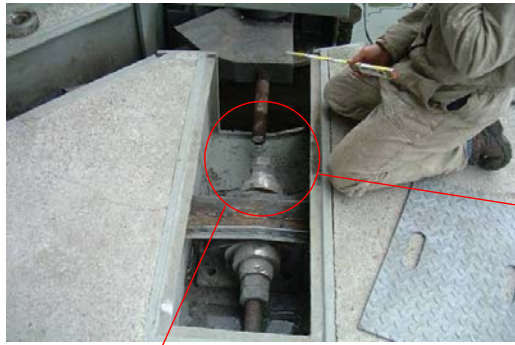
Lock 136x16m

4. Elastomeric bridge bearing must be prestressed $> 2\text{N/mm}^2$ to avoid path → Ballast for the bottom part and bolts at the top hinge part
5. Limited clearance : $2 \times 30\text{ mm}$ in **both directions** \equiv Free pintle system



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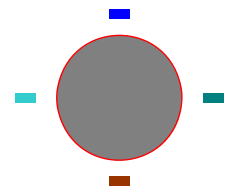
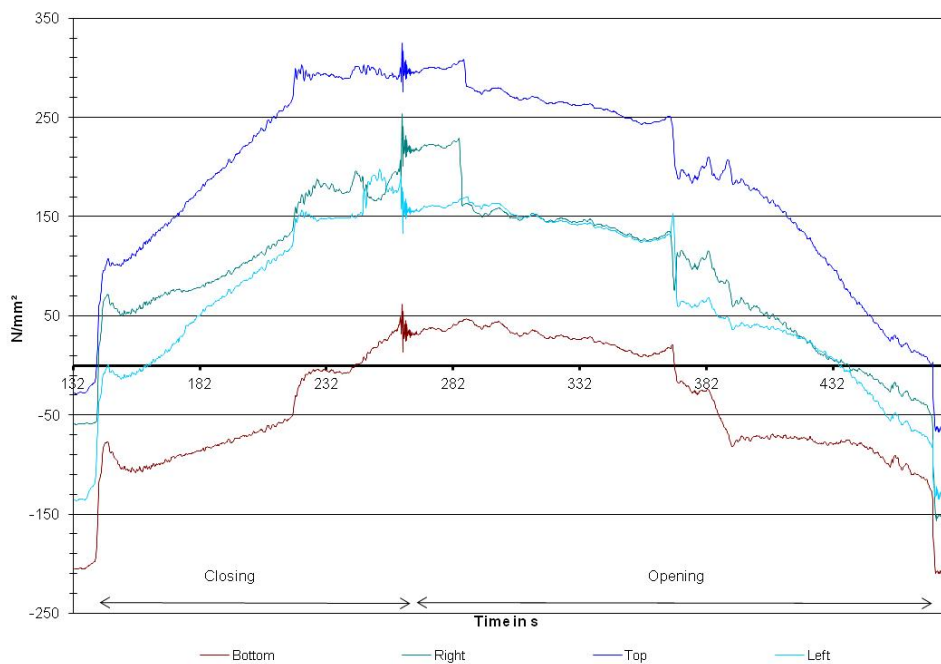
Breaking tie rods – Top hinge



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Breaking anchor rod – Top hinge

Stress analysis using strain gauges
Upstream anchor rod

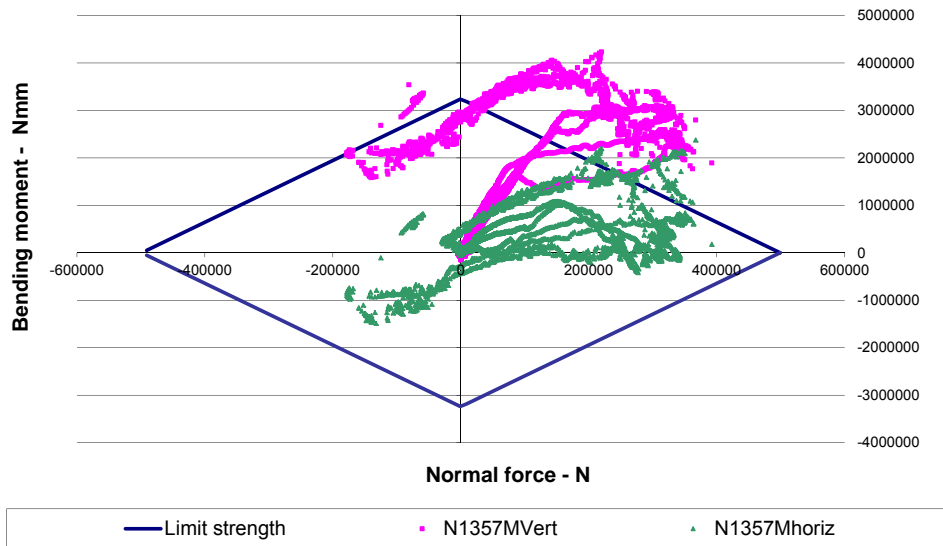


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Breaking anchor rod – Top hinge

Stress analysis

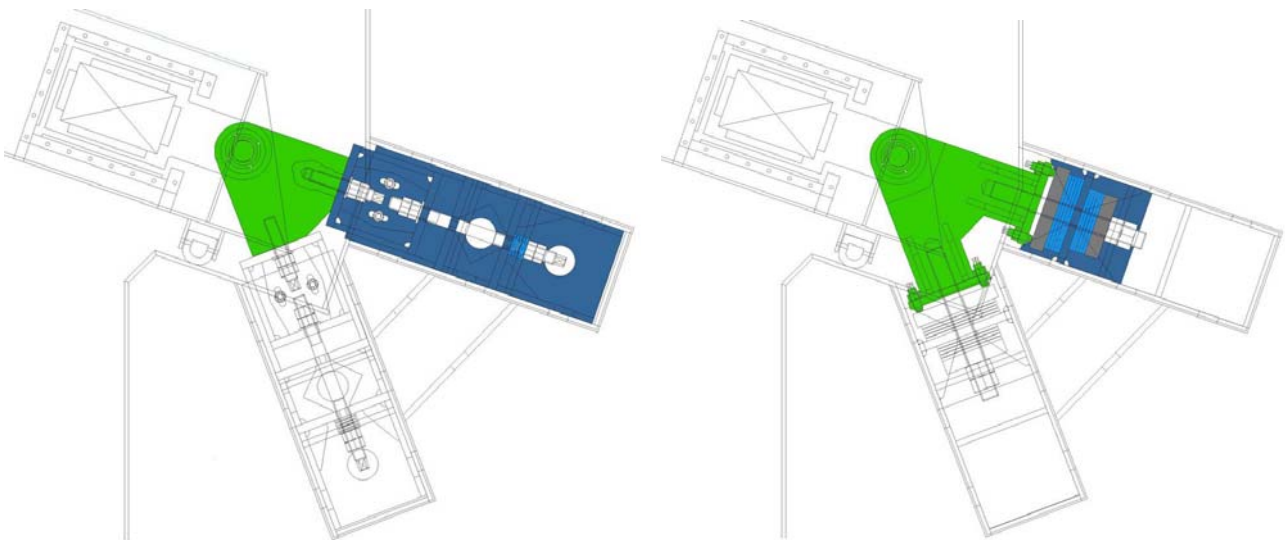
Interaction diagram Bending moment - Normal force
Upstream anchor rod of downstream gate



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Breaking anchor rod – Top hinge

Two designs projects



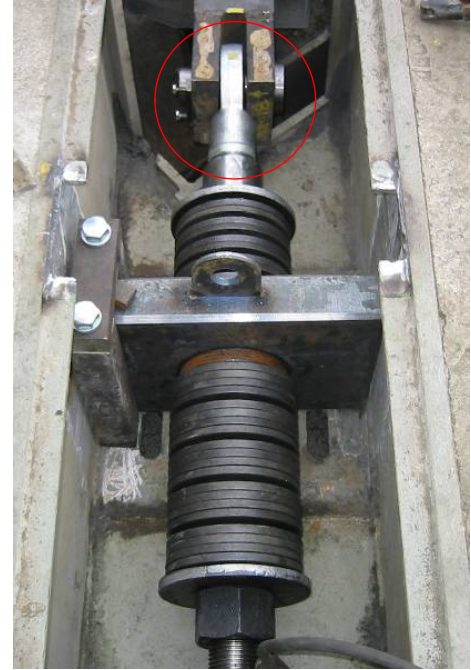
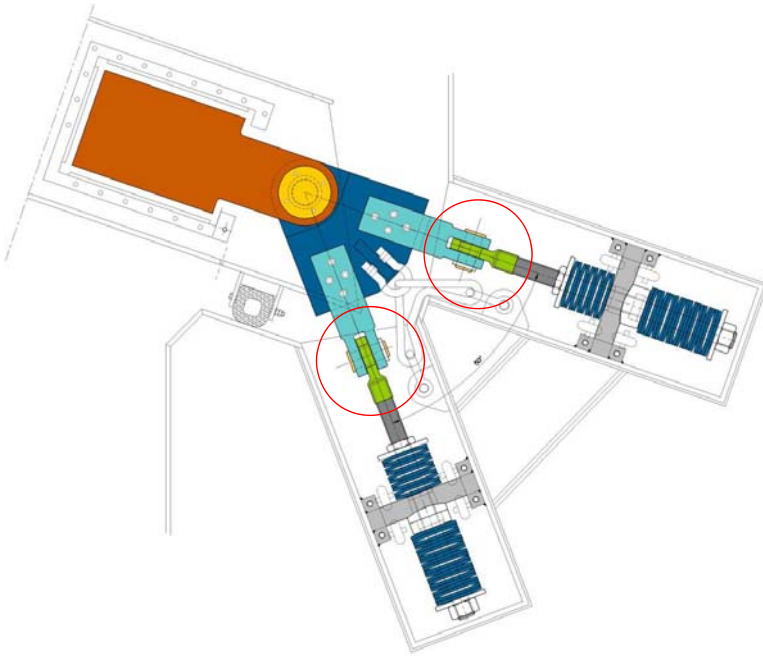
Stiffen

Releasing – Adding a bearing

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Breaking anchor rod – Top hinge

Executed : Bearing with spring washer (Belleville) adding spherical bearing



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Anchor rod – Top hinge – Spring washer

Spring washer failure after 3 years ½

Diameter 200/102 mm



crack



Corrosion increases the friction between washers and so the stiffness and therefore the forces

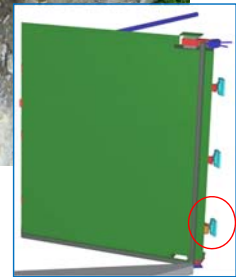
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Loch 136x16m

Lower fixed thrust block



Rolling thrust block



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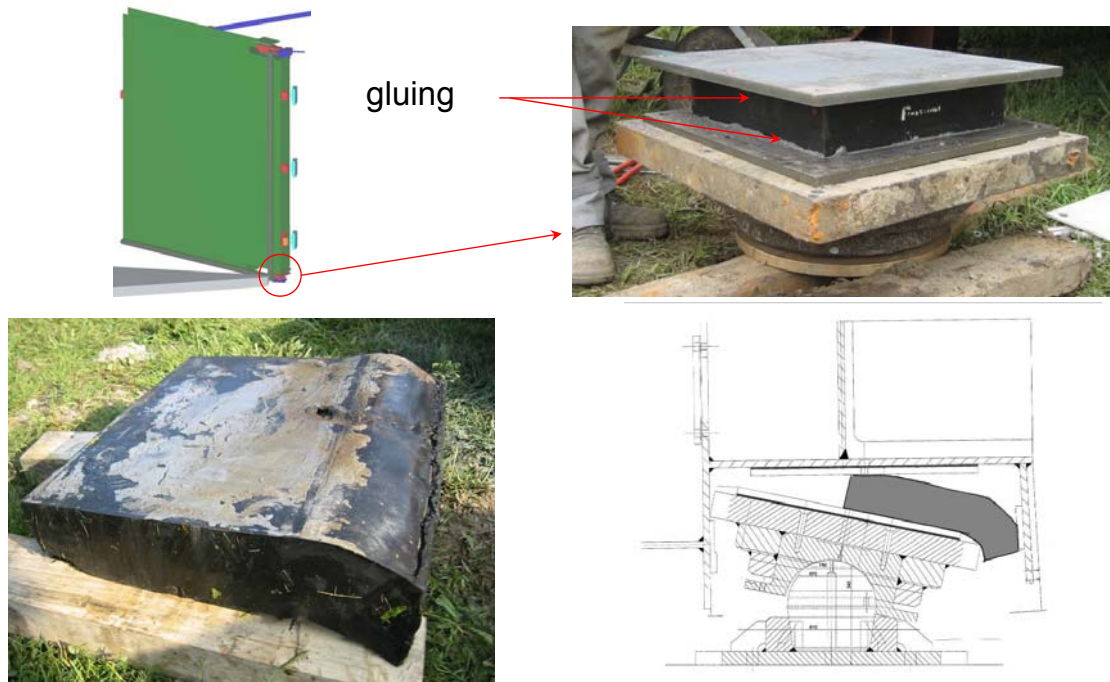
Seal on the hollow quoin



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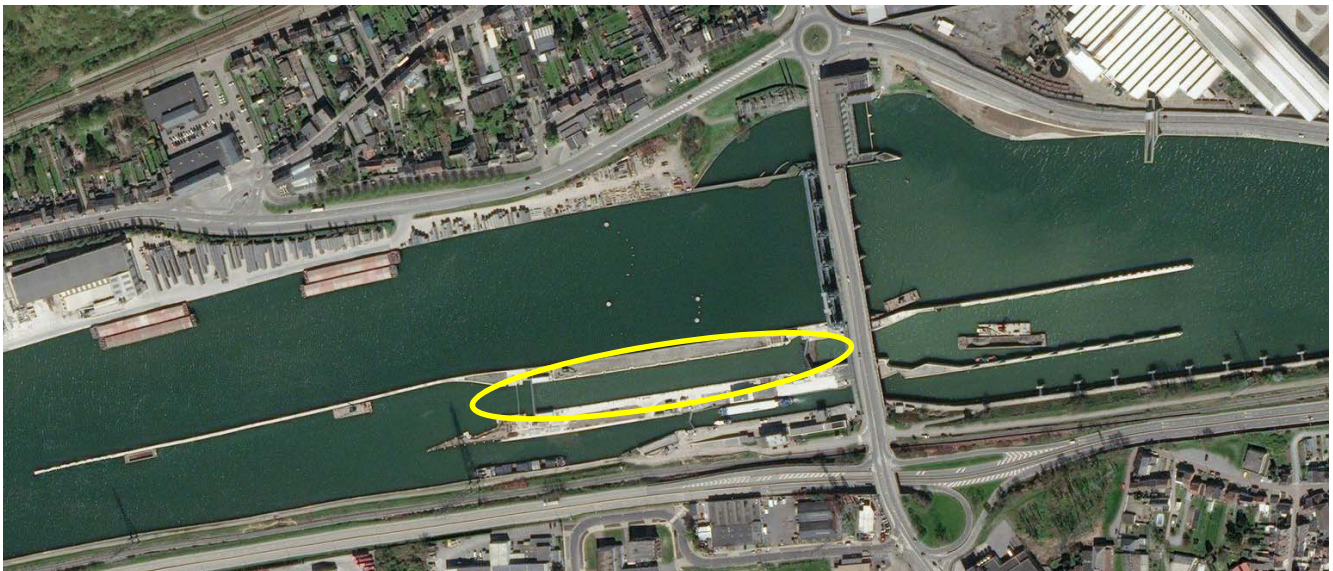
Lock 136x16m

Peeling off bottom hinge after 3 months due to a bad new gluing



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Large lock 225 x 25 m
Free hinge - pure solution



Lock 225x25m

Downstream gate



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Lock 225x25m



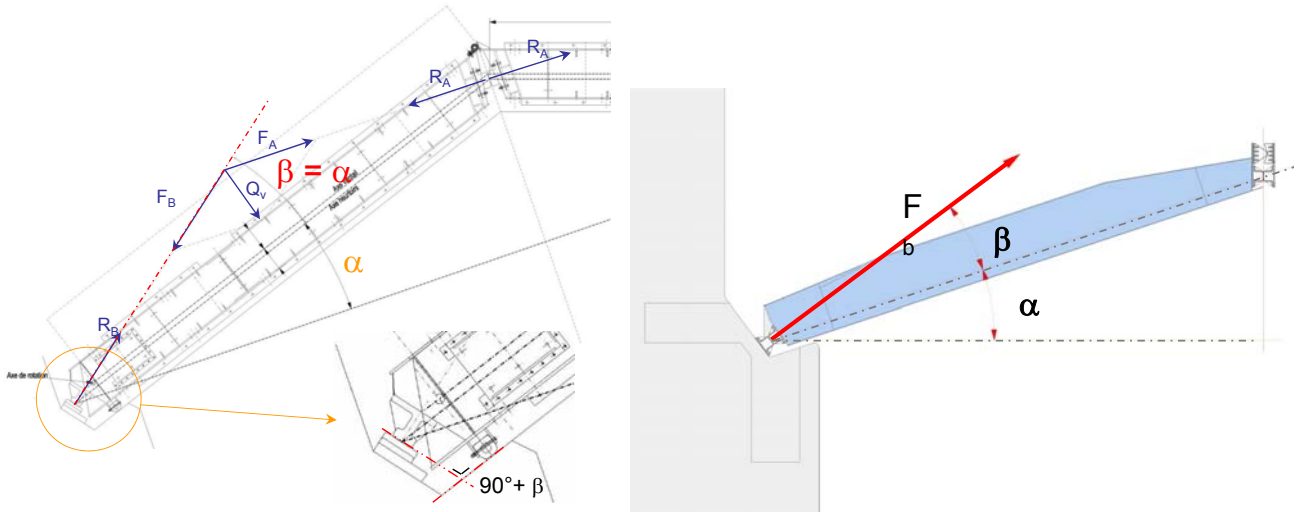
Plate girders with skin downstream - 14.07 x 10.91

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Lock 225x25m

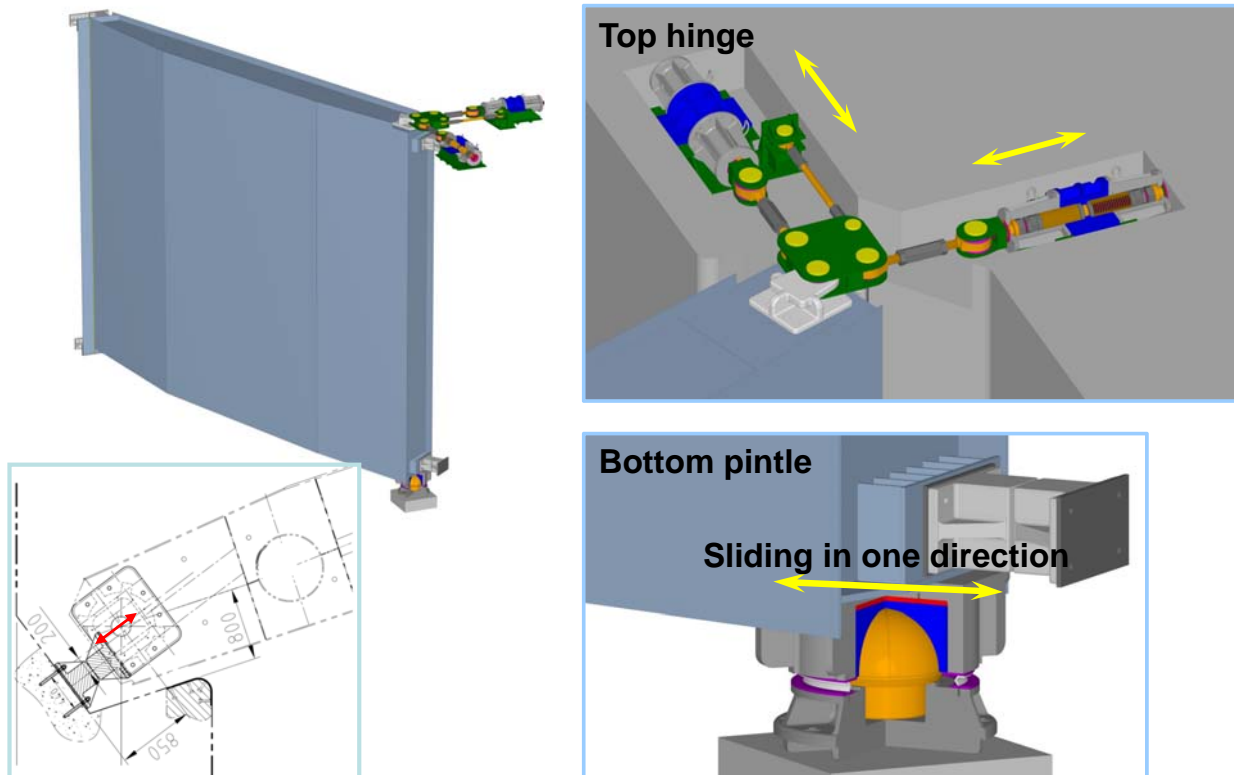
Mitre gate – Mode of transmission of forces

$\beta = \alpha = 18^\circ.43 \rightarrow$ No force on the hollow quoin \equiv Pure solution



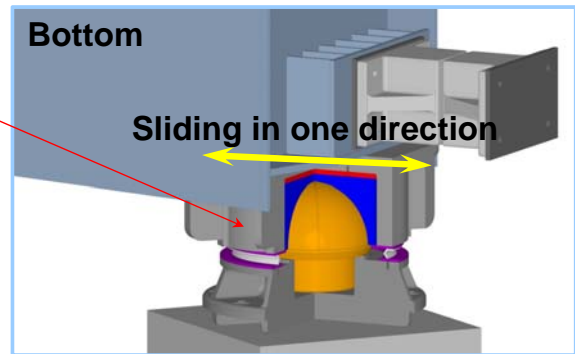
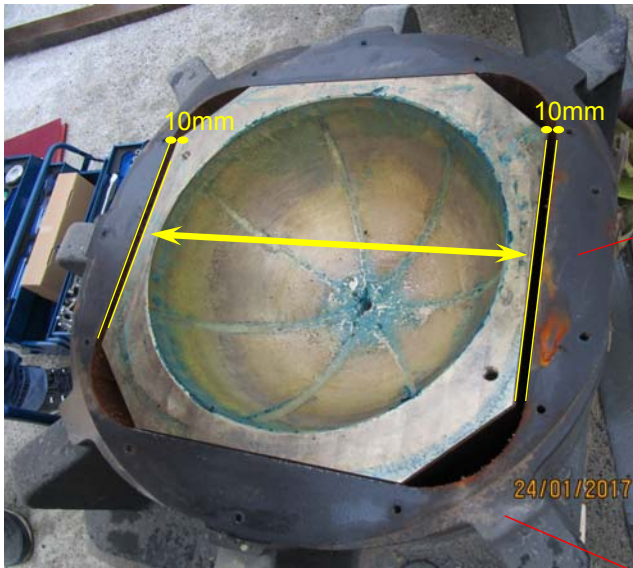
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Bushing in bushing socket

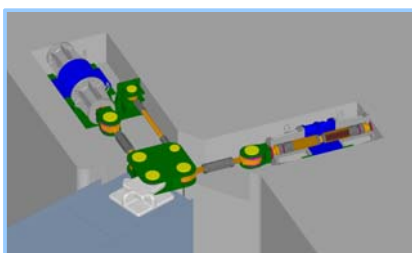
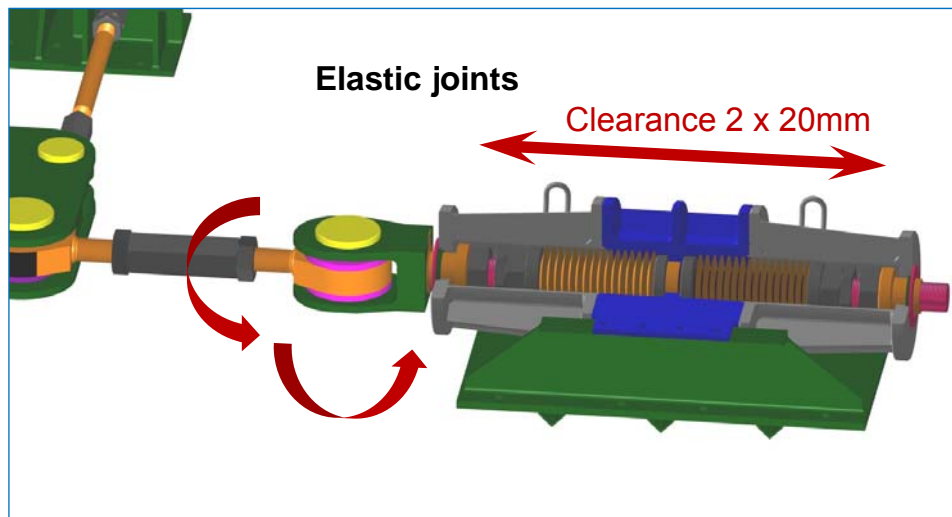
Limited clearance 2 x 10mm

≡ Free pintle system **in one direction**

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Top



Spring washer protection by grease and box

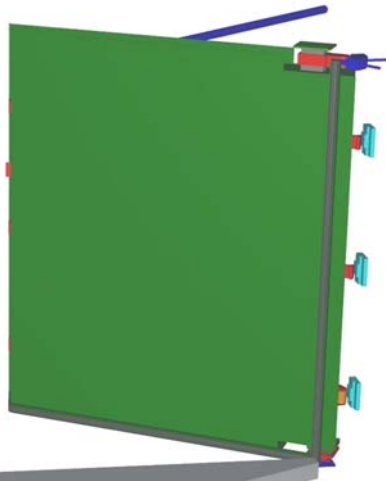
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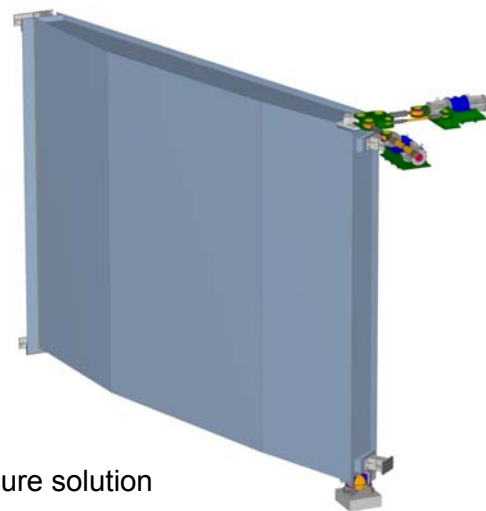
Comparison



Mixed solution

Advantages

- No hydraulic load on gate hinges
- Very good sealing
- Easy and fast gate installation



Pure solution

Advantages

- No hydraulic load on gate hinges
- Load transfer only over thrust block
- Well-controlled behavior

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Experience &
lessons learnt
from failures



Workshop Mitre Gate Design and Operation, PIANC WG154
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Lock characteristics

1st repair March 2014

Research

2nd repair August 2014

Conclusion



Lock characteristics

2nd lock of Evergem

CEMT VIb

In service since 2009

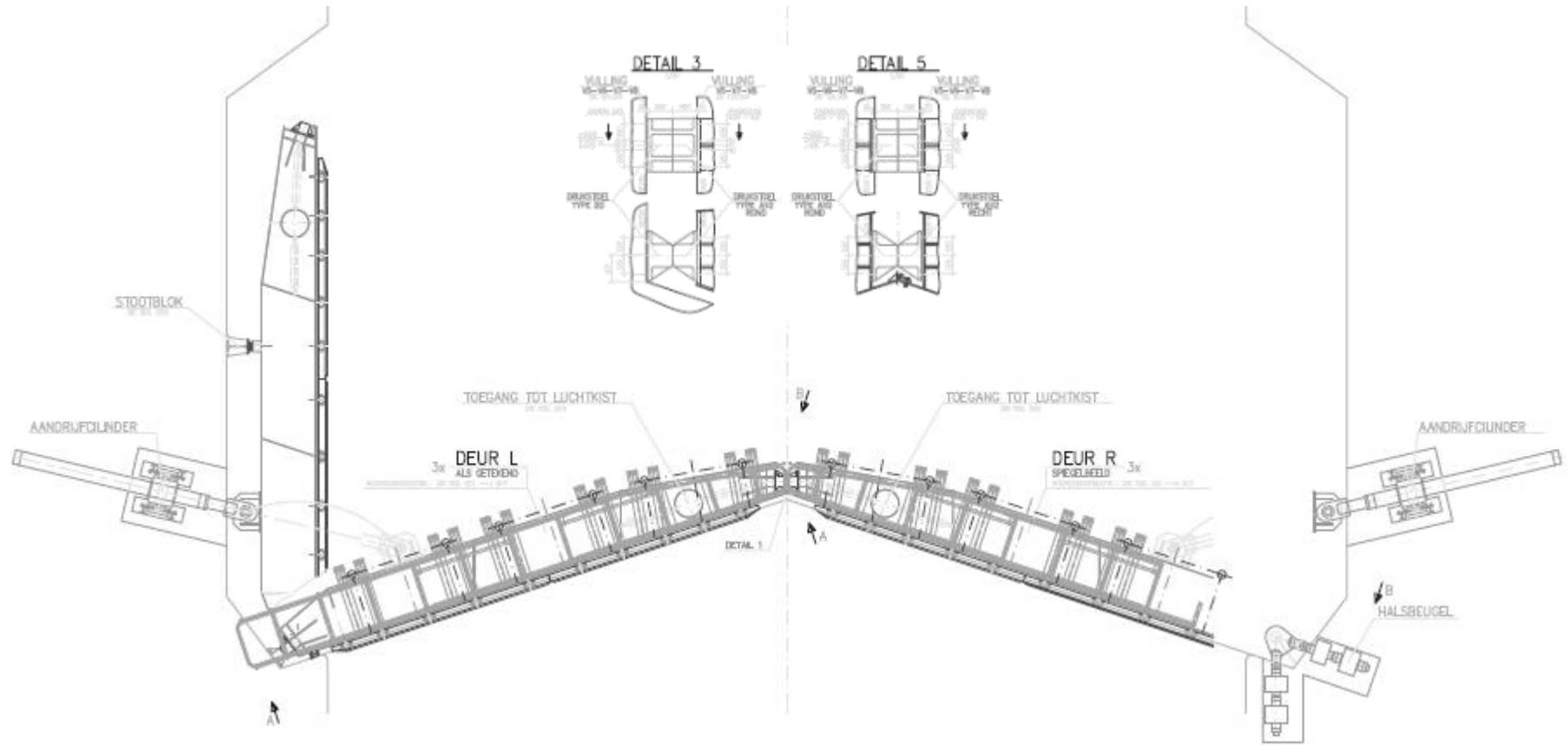
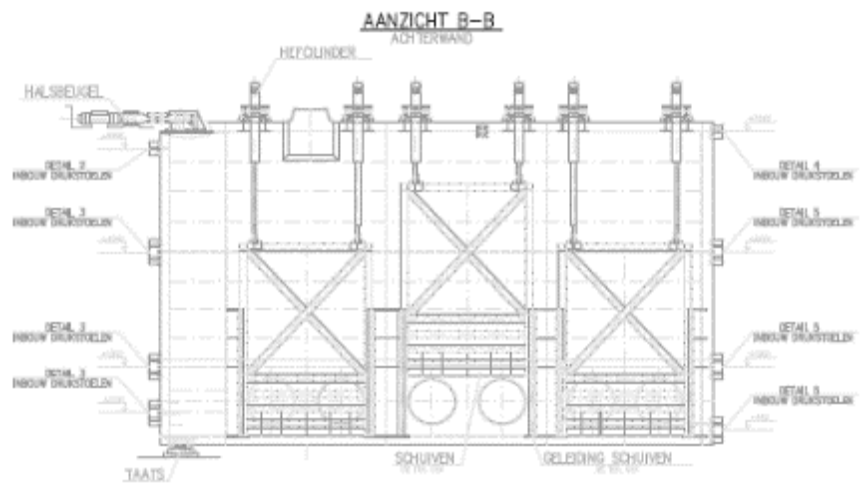
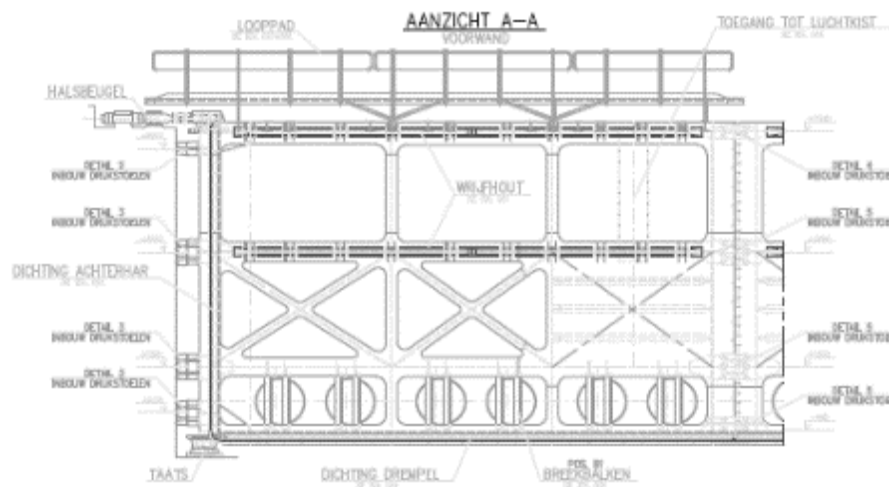
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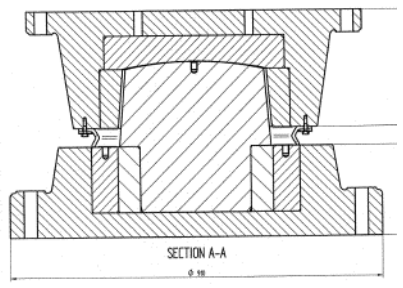
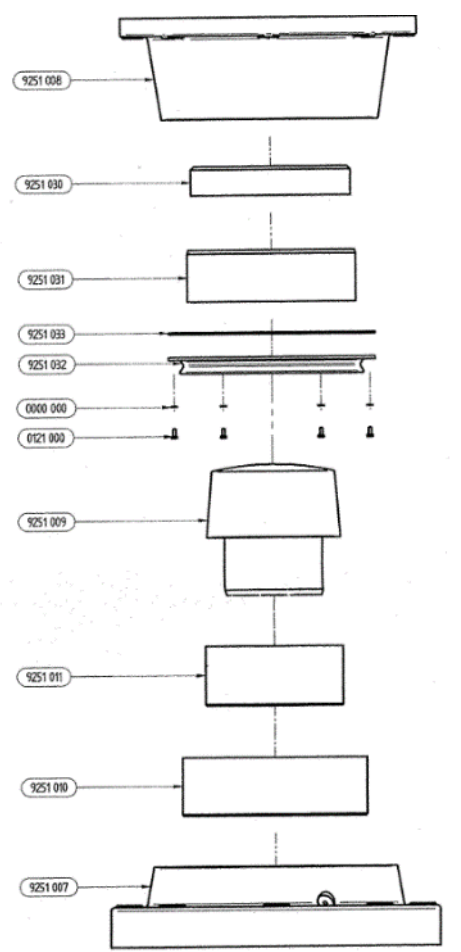
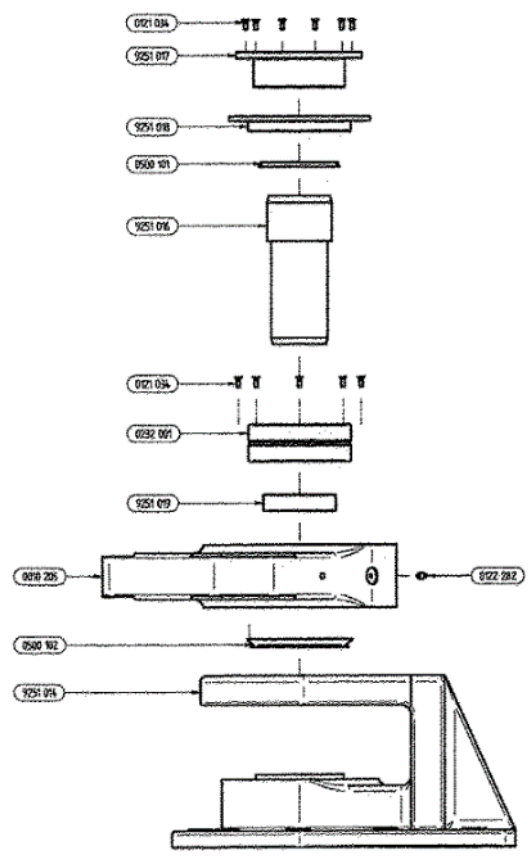
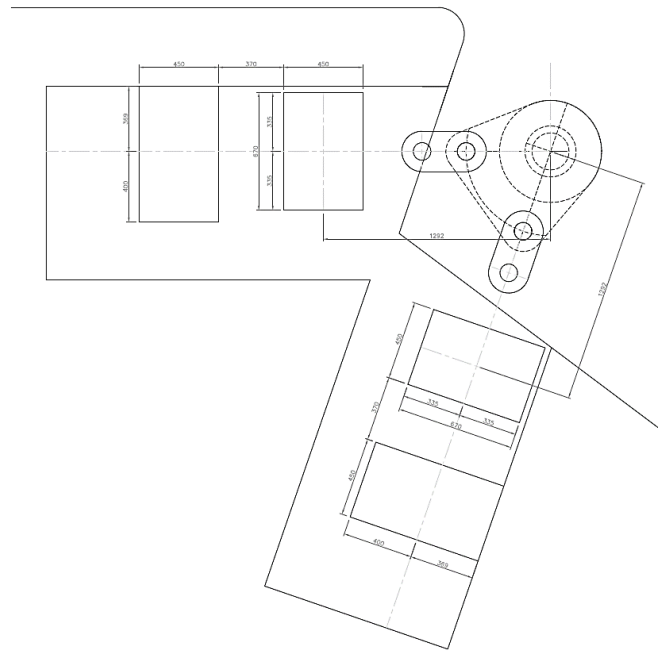
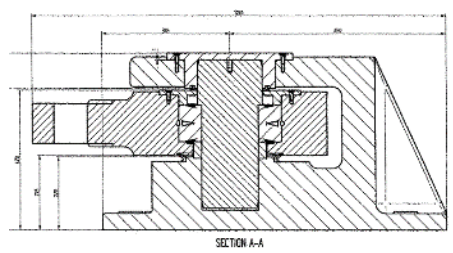
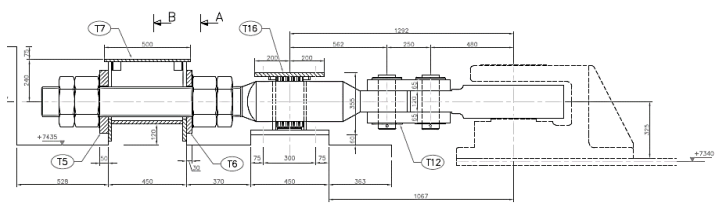
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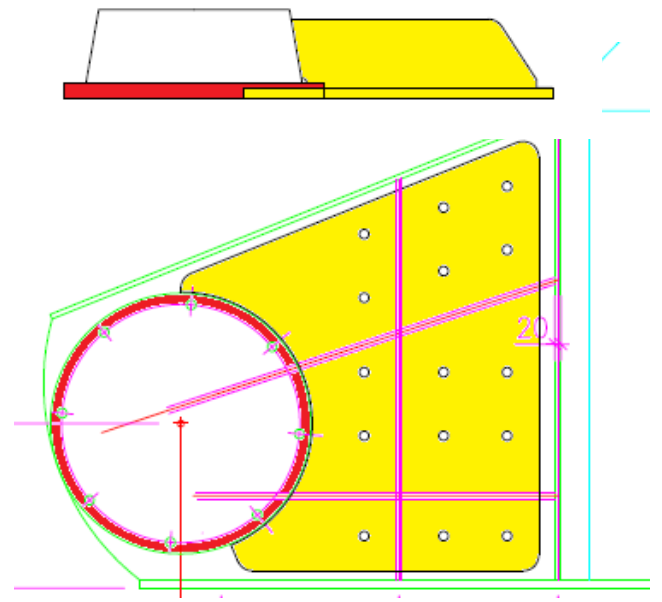
closing problems on 4 gates
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>50% bolts failed
emergency repair

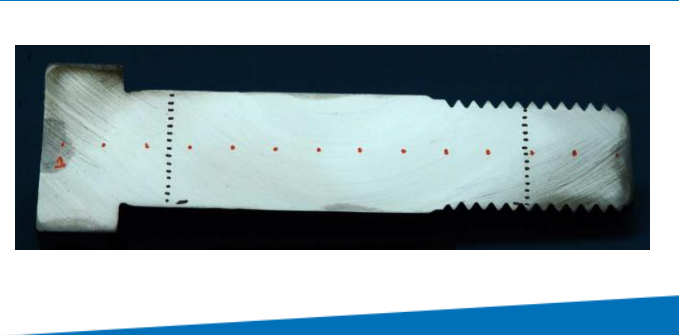
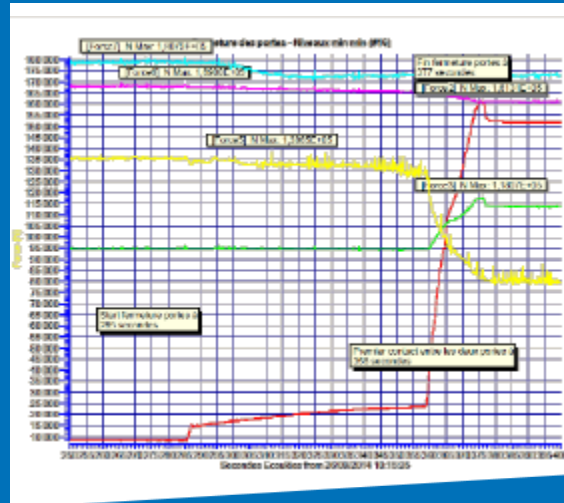
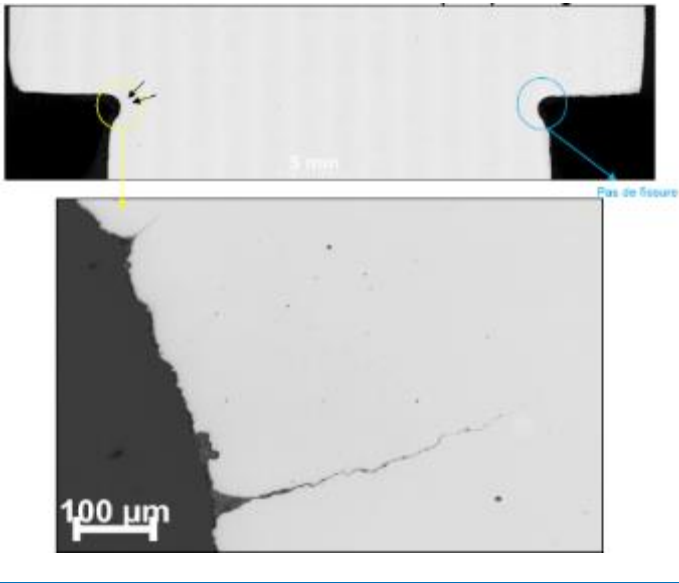


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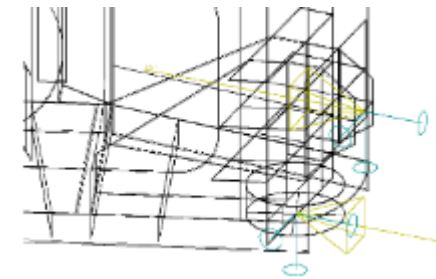
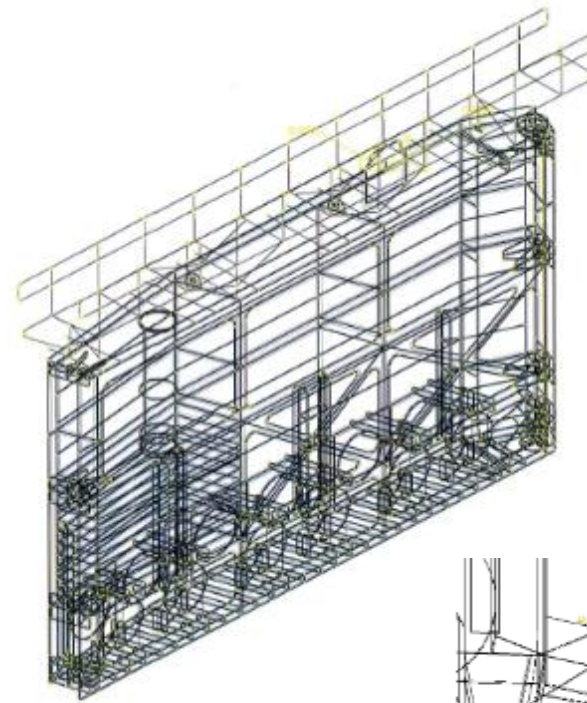
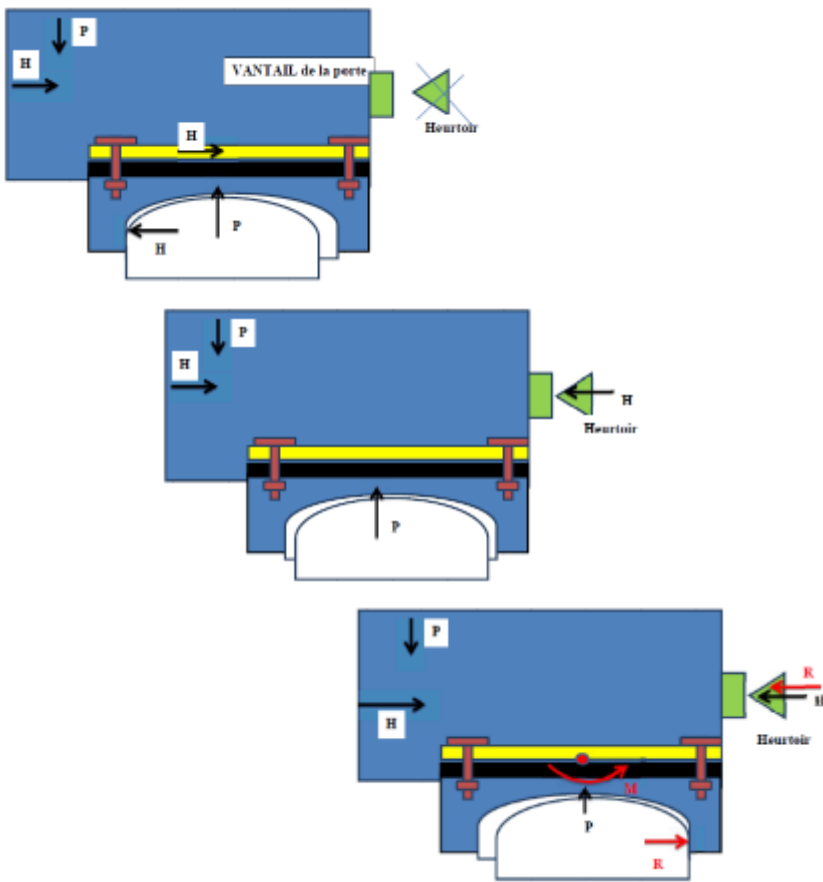




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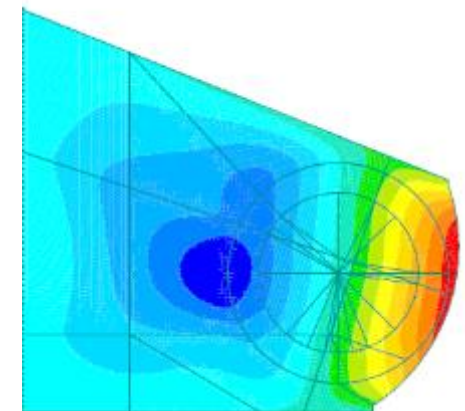
- type of bolts
- metallographic composition
- hardness
- fatigue
- stress in bolt measured





Research

turning movement
 correct retaining position
 misaligned position
 FEM model
 misalignment leads to failure





2nd repair August 2014

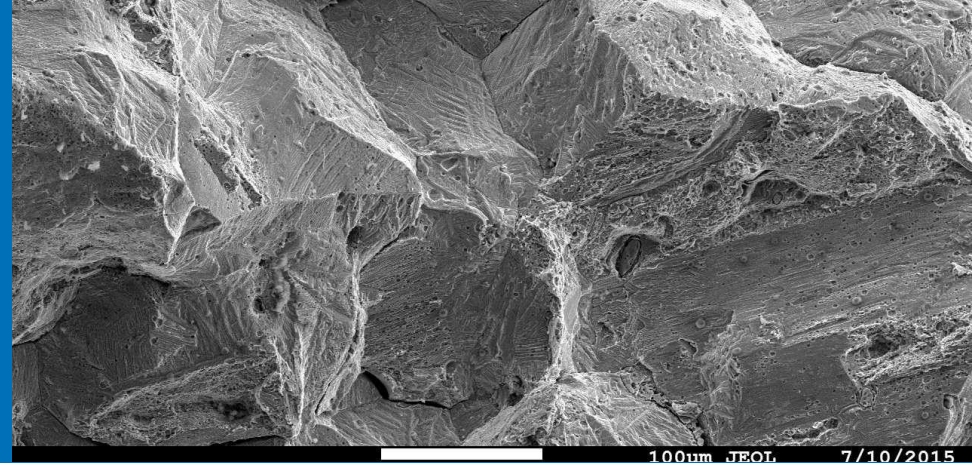
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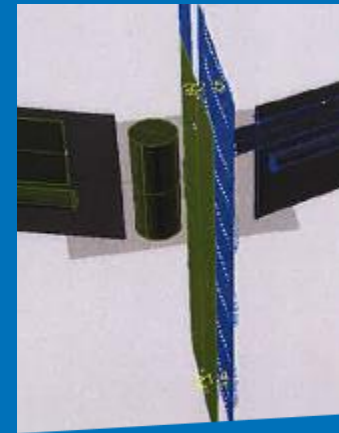
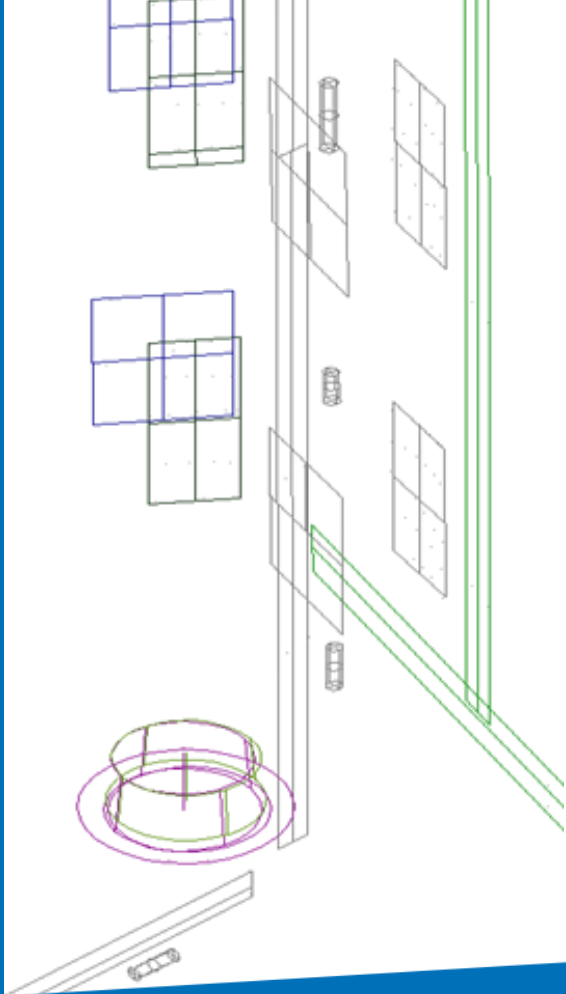
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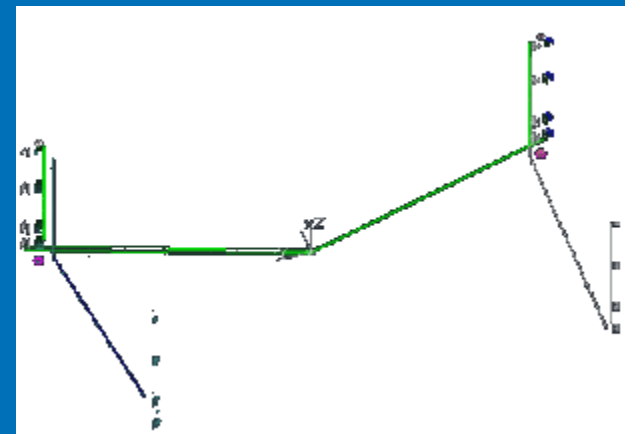






Research

detailed 3D survey
virtually simulated alignment
hindered movement
contact surface re-milled
spacer / filling plates



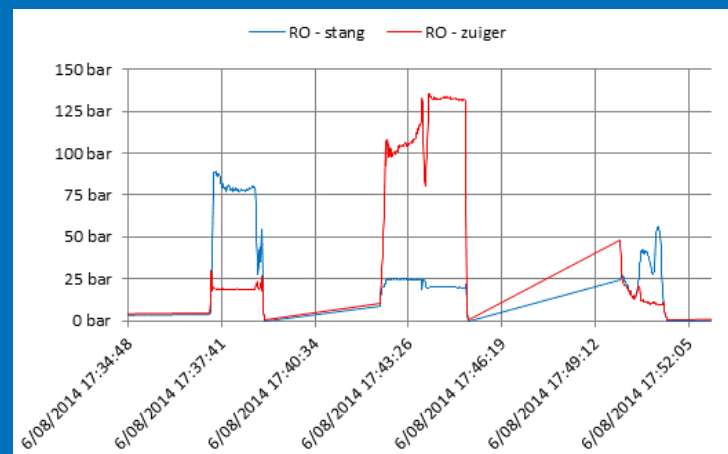


Research

pressure registration
 head side
 rod side
 safety valve



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Conclusion

Alignment gate leafs
Material properties
Operating mechanism



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Cracking of USA Mitre Gates

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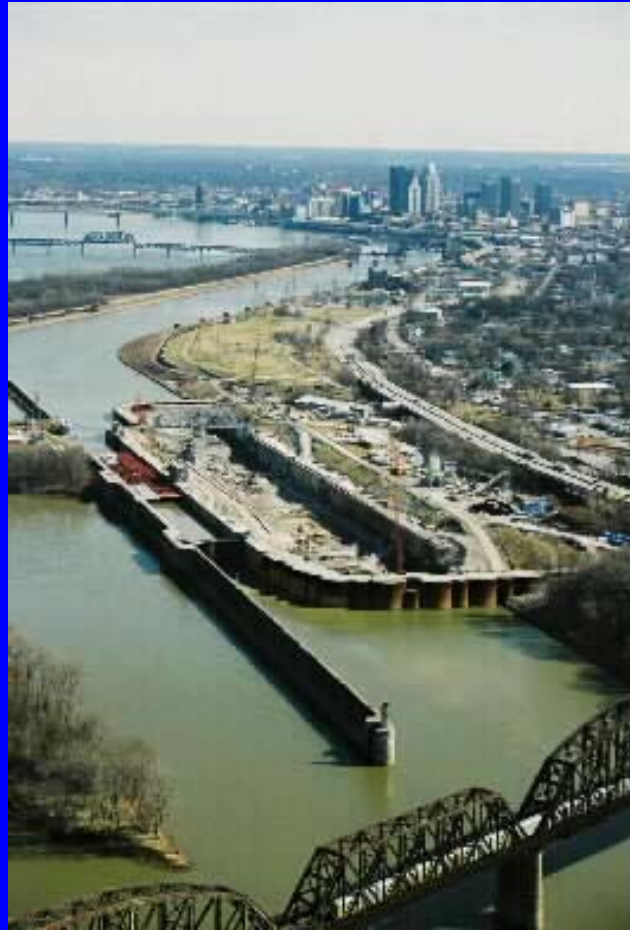
McAlpine Lock Closure and Emergency Repairs 9-19 August 2004

**Peter W. Frick, PE
Lock & Dam Emergency Repairs
Workshop
Vicksburg, MS
19 April 2006**



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Project Overview



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Historical Background

- **McAlpine lock chamber construction required demolition of the antiquated auxiliary chamber.**
- **This leaves it as only Ohio River lock project with no auxiliary chamber.**
- **McAlpine main chamber closure = Ohio River closure at Louisville.**

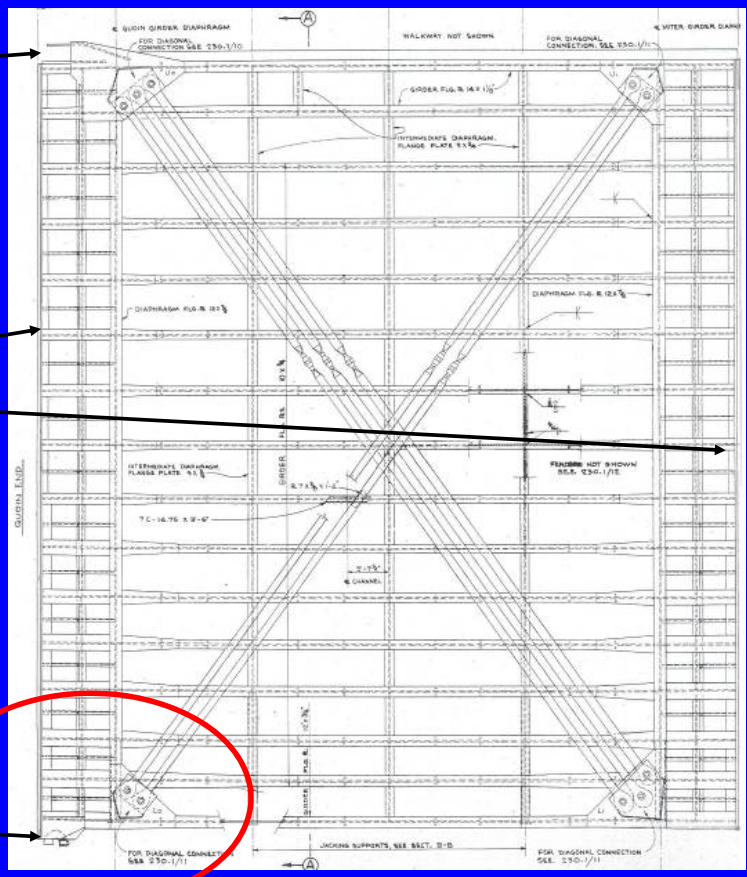
The Problems

Gudgeon Pin & Anchorage

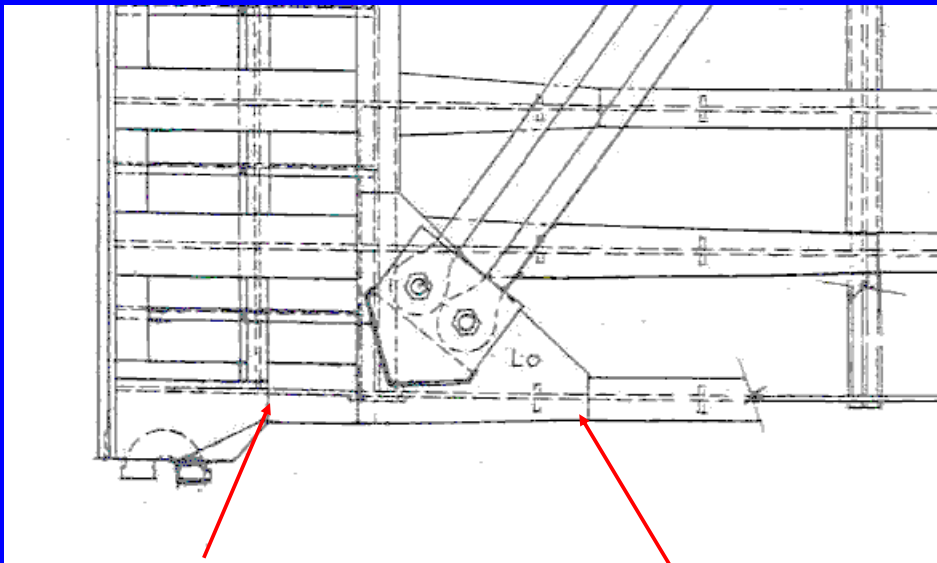
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Miter Blocks

Problem Area

Pintle



The Problems



Cracked welds at
pintle socket
connection to gate.

Cracked welds across
girder flange and web.

Cracks

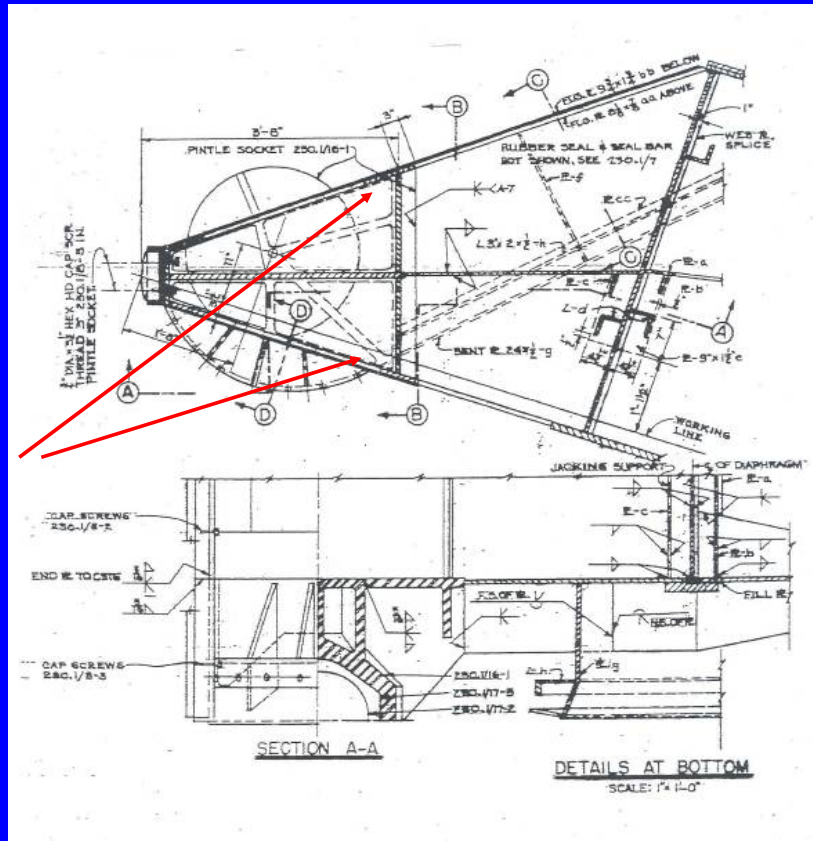


Plate Reinforcing Repair Overview

- Reinforce U.S & D.S Lower Quoin/Pintle Area and D.S. Lower Miter End with 19 mm ($\frac{3}{4}$ "') Pre-Fab Plate
- Design plates to be installed easily in the field
- Cracks under plate will not be repaired unless deemed necessary by the Engineer.
- Irregular surfaces under plate areas to be ground smooth for plate to fit flush
- Clean and Blast areas of gate where plates will be welded

Plate Reinforcing Repair Overview (Cont.)

- Tack Weld plates to gate after positioning
- Following Weld Sequence shown on the plate drawings
- Check gap between Plate and Gate. Increase weld size if gap is $> 1.6 \text{ mm}$ (1/16")
- Inspect Welds MT, VT
- Paint w/ Epoxy Primer
- Silicone Caulk around inside perimeter of joining surfaces



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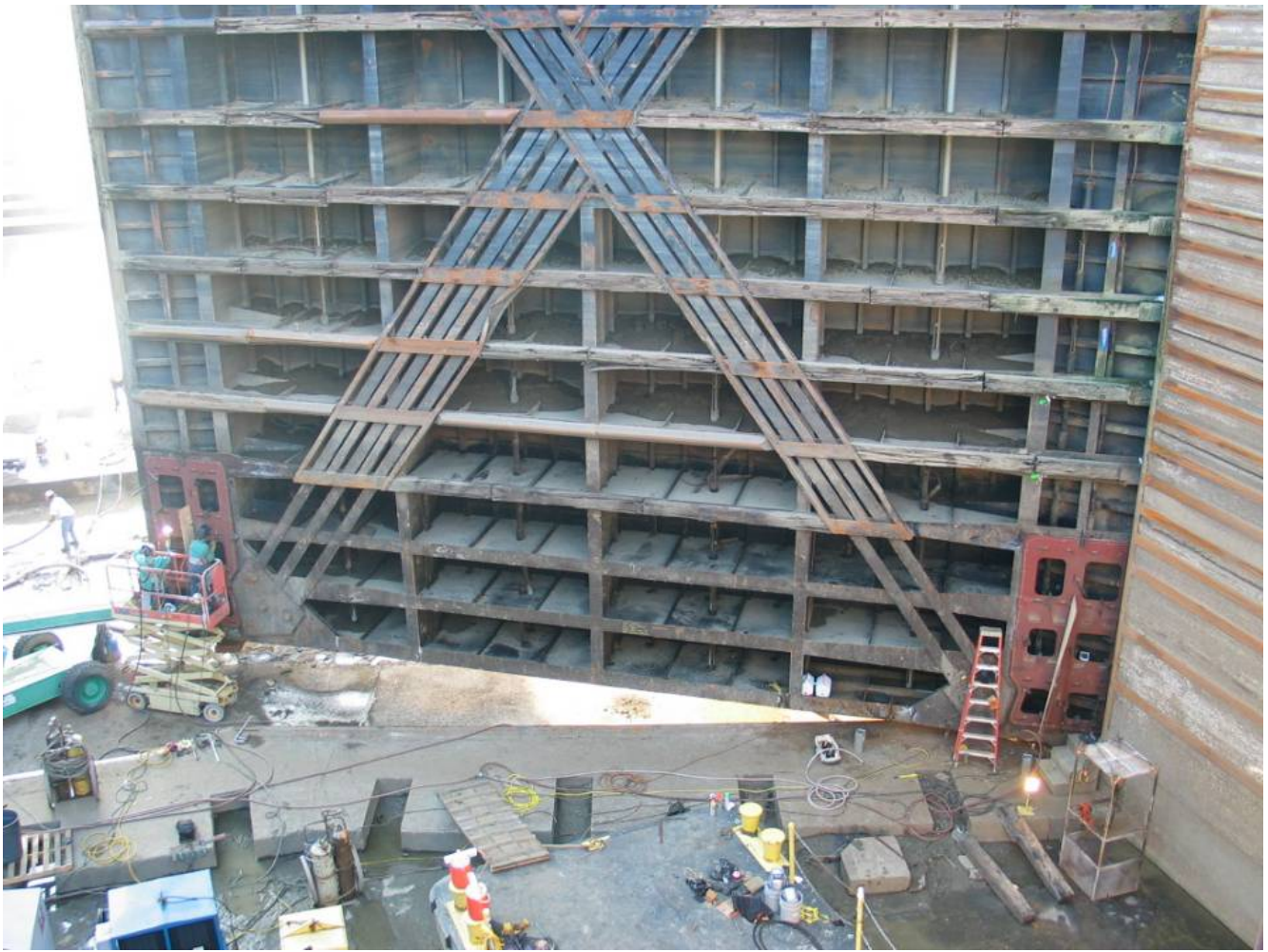
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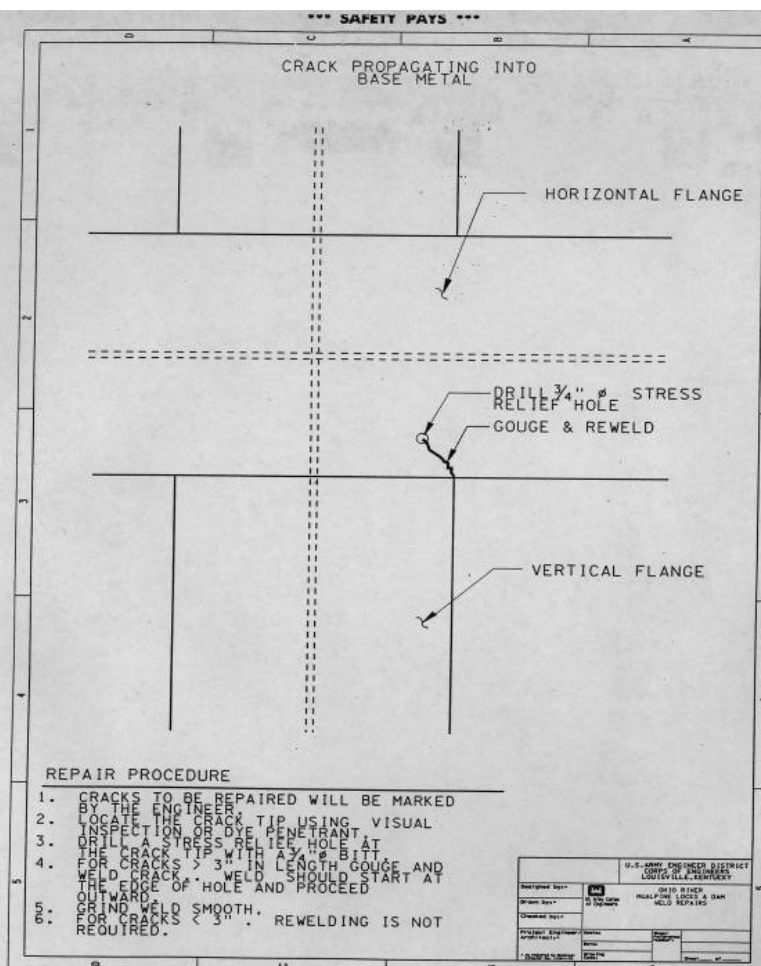
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Crack Repair Overview

- Cracks will either be drilled at the tip or gouged and rewelded
- Inspectors will identify cracks and the repair procedure to be used
 - Drill Only
 - Gouge and Reweld
 - Gouge, Reweld and Grind Smooth
- In general, cracks > 75 mm (3") will be gouged & rewelded. Cracks < 75 mm (3") will be drilled only.
- Visually Inspect welds. Some repairs may be UT'd.





Web Straightening and Repair

- Web buckling in critical areas need to be repaired
- Will probably require heat straightening or in a severe cases, plate replacement.
- Provide angle stiffeners to strengthen buckling capacity of the web





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Reopening





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Closing Observations

- **Successful accomplishment attributed to intensive planning and advance preparation.**
- **Intense cooperation between LRL Engineering, Operations and Contracting provided the materials, equipment and expertise when needed.**
- **Availability of engineers on site 24 hours per day assured no delays or re-work when questions arose.**



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Closing Observations

- **The Esprit de Corps during this job was incredible. Everyone realized the importance of the work and made their best efforts.**

Lower Granite Lock Downstream Mitre Gate Repair



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Lower Granite Dam Navigation Lock On Lower Snake River (tributary of Columbia River)

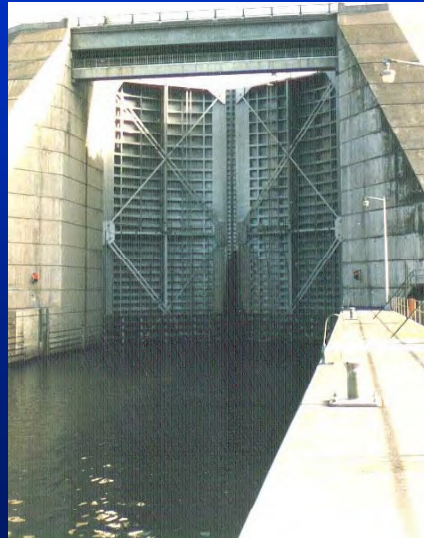


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Lower Granite Dam Navigation Lock, Downstream miter gate



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Lower Granite Dam Navigation Lock, Downstream miter gate



- Arch miter gate $r = 16.6$ m (54'-6") to face of skin plate
- Lock width = 26 m (86 feet)
- Lock length = 206m (675 feet)
- **Gate height = 37.5m (123 feet)**
- **Weight = 337 tonne (372 tons/leaf)**
- Total hydrostatic head = 37 m (121 ft)
- Operates with hydraulic cylinders





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Lower Granite Dam Navigation Lock, Downstream miter gate



General View, Lower Granite Lock and Dam,
Downstream Miter Gate, North Miter Leaf,
Pintel Area

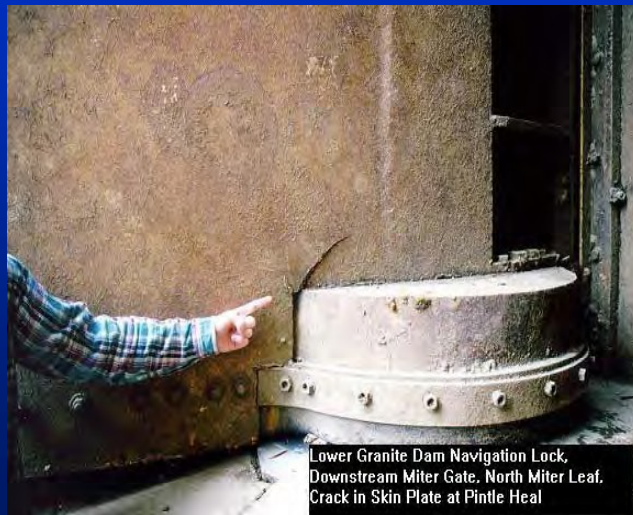


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Lower Granite Dam Navigation Lock Downstream miter gate



*In March 1998
cracks were
discovered in the
skin plates of both
gate leaves during a
periodic dam safety
inspection of the
navigation lock*



Lower Granite Dam Navigation Lock,
Downstream Miter Gate, North Miter Leaf.
Crack in Skin Plate at Pintle Heal



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*The crack also
propagated from
reentrant corner
across the bottom
horizontal girder*

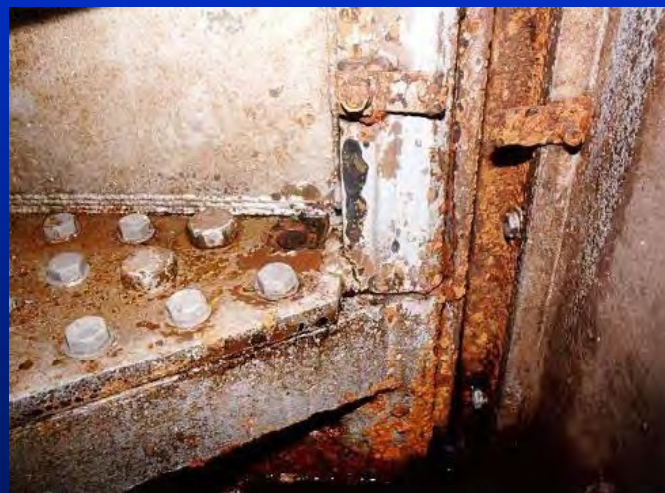


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*Additional cracks
were found along
the horizontal
stiffener and quoin
contact block
recess, along with
broken bolt head(s)*



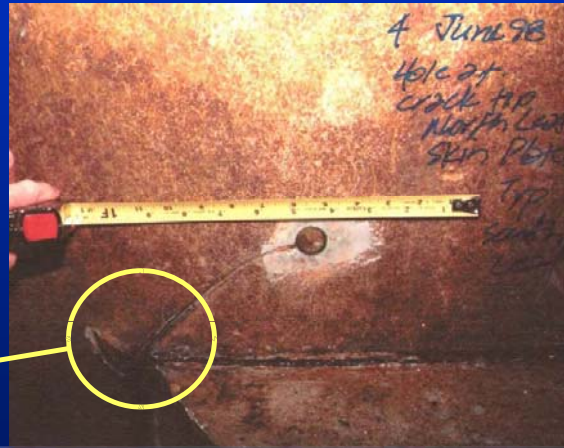


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Lower Granite Dam Navigation Lock, Downstream miter gate



*Drilled out the tip of the
crack on the skin plate
and inserted a bolt*



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Lower Granite Dam Navigation Lock, Downstream miter gate



Temporary repairs, removed skin plate



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Temporary repairs, new cover plate



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Lower Granite Dam Navigation Lock, Downstream miter gate temporary repairs crack preparation

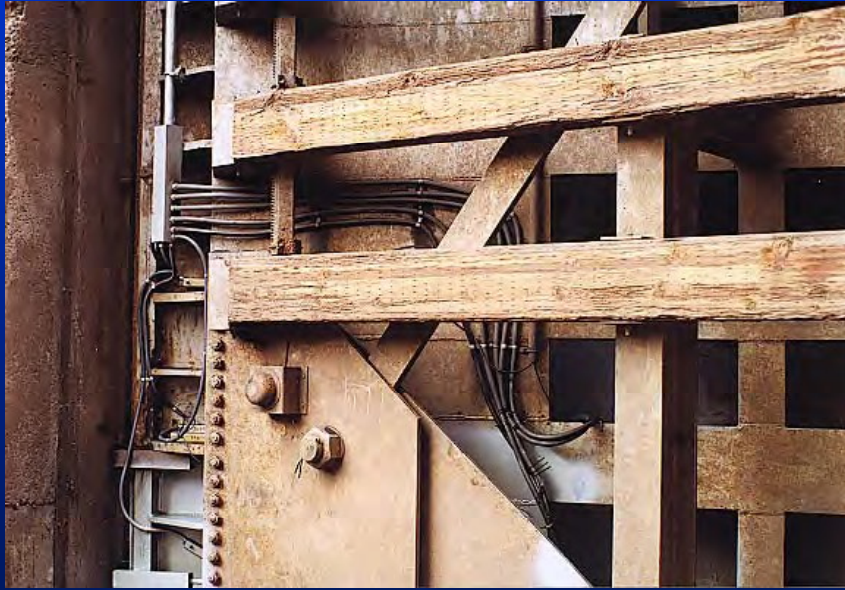




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Lower Granite Dam Navigation Lock, Downstream miter gate, permanent instrumentation



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Lower Granite Dam Navigation Lock, Downstream miter gate skin plate repaired, permanent instrumentation installed





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Lower Granite Dam Navigation Lock, Downstream miter gate

Permanent Repairs FY 02

- Install temporary bridge
- Raise gate off pintles
- Replace pintle assembly
- Replace and realign gate quoin and miter contact blocks
- Replace and repair damaged steel members
- Re-align bottom sill angle
- Set gate on pintles, reattach gudgeon, pre-stress diagonals, set sill angles, test gate operation



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Lower Granite Dam Navigation Lock





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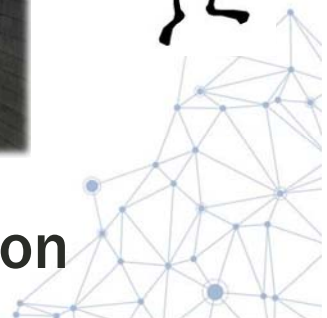
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MITER GATE EMBEDDED ANCHORAGE SOO LOCKS Sault Ste. Marie, MI



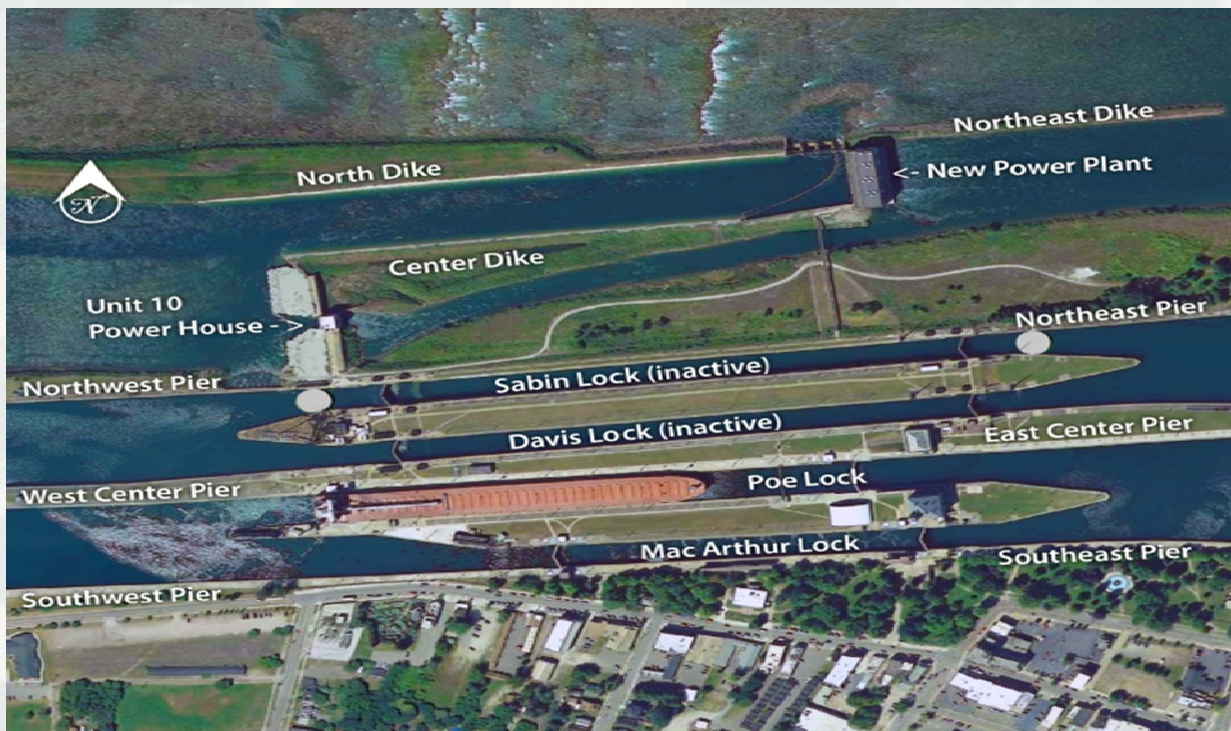
SOO LOCKS

- The Soo Locks are located on the St. Marys River at Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, on the international border with Canada.
- There are two operating locks at the Soo, the MacArthur Lock, (1943) and the Poe Lock (1968).
- POE Lock - Approximately **70 percent** of the Great Lakes fleet carrying capacity can only pass.
- Approximately \$160 million – 30 day unscheduled closure of the Soo Locks would have a **direct economic impact to the shipping industry**
- Half of all steel produced in the U.S. is manufactured with domestically mined ore and over **92% of the iron ore mined in the U.S.** traverses through the Soo Locks. Steel-dependant industries contribute more than 10% to the total U.S. Gross Domestic Product.
- The Soo Locks shut down from mid January to early April because of ice and extreme weather



POE Lock General Information

- The POE lock was formally dedicated and placed into service on 26 June 1969 (47 years old).
- POE Lock chamber 110 ft x 1200 ft (33.5m x 365.7m)
- 32 ft (9.7m) depth of water over the sills at normal lower pool.
- Head of 21.5 feet (6.6m)
- Approx. 63 ft (19.2m) wide gate leaf between contact blocks
- Approx. 37 ft (11.3m) tall between CL gudgeon and sill
- Miter angle 1:3, or 18.4 degrees
- 1-Upstream Operating Gate, 2 Downstream Operating Gates, and 1 Downstream maintenance Gate
- ASTM A36 Steel





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MITRE GATE DESIGN AND OPERATION

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Case study:

MAASBRACHT Lock Mitre Gates

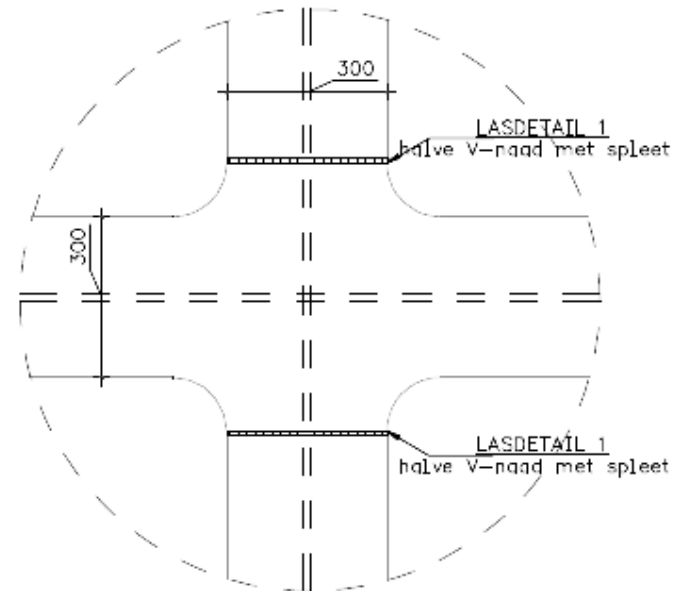
Jos Vorstenbosch, Brussels, November 6 th 2017

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Fatigue Design



Cracks in Old Gates



New Gate details

Fatigue analysis must include hydraulic loads + machinery loads.



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FRP Composite Hinges



Bottom Pivot

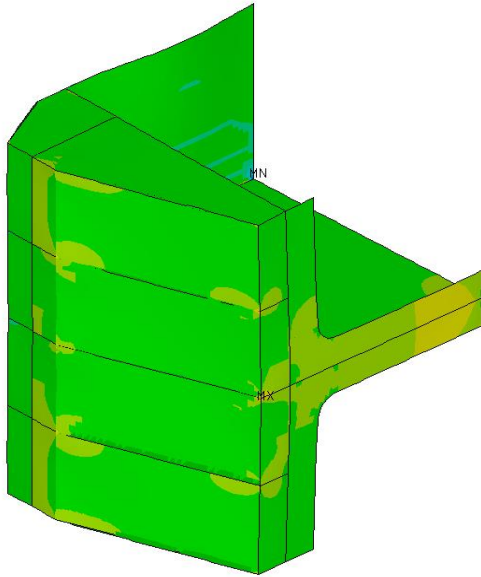


Top Hinge

*Design includes obstruction by obstacle + wear + connections to steel.
High Engineering efforts and Testing is needed.*

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Heel post design:



Closed structure



Entrapment of floating obstacle caused high loads at top Hinge

Working Group 154 MAASBRACHT Lock Gates

Top Hinge failure:



Entrapment of floating obstacle caused anchorage failure



Re-design top Hinge

Anchorage is > 1.5 x stronger than sacrificial bolts (issue fatigue life)



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Heel post re-design:



Thick horizontal plates replaced closed structure as 'obstacle crushers'



Lessons learnt MAASBRACHT Lock Gates

- Curved / smooth steel plate design
- Welds in low stress locations
- Fatigue analysis must include hydraulic loads + machinery loads

- FRP Composite Hinges need high Engineering effort and Testing

- Closed Heel post structure is susceptible for high obstacle loads on Hinges and Gate itself
- Sacrificial bolts / Pins for Anchorage is recommended



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