



Wind effects on multispan suspension bridge
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Topics for today

Stability limit for multispan suspension bridge – multimodal flutter analysis

Initial thoughts on effects of wind shielding on vehicles

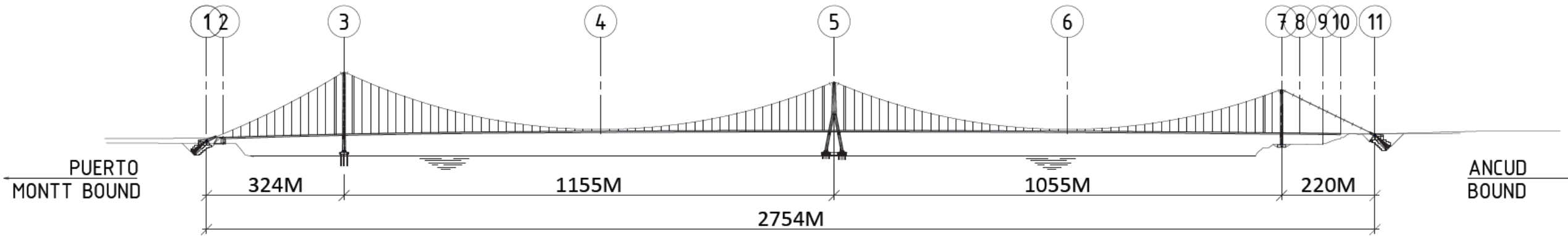


Stability phenomena for long span bridges

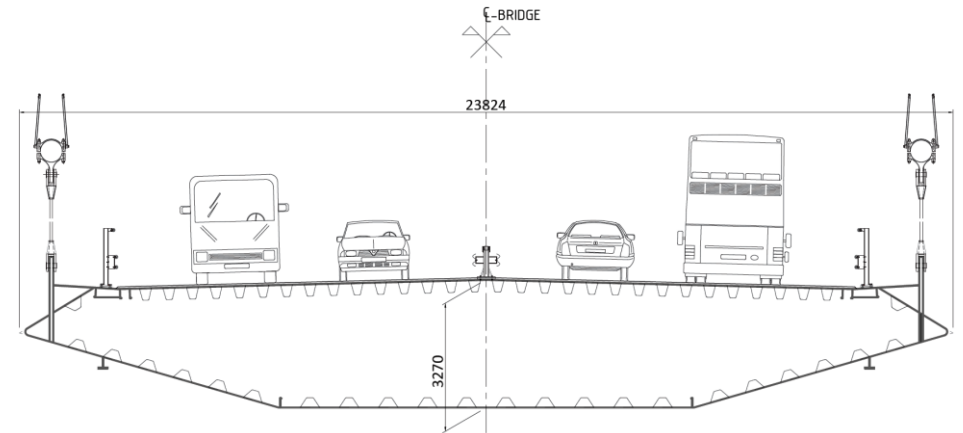
- Stability phenomena
 - **Static divergence**
 - **Galloping**
 - **Dynamic torsion instability**
 - **Flutter**
- Other effects
 - **Vortex shedding (Bridge deck, cables, pylons)**



Multimode flutter analysis of Chacao bridge

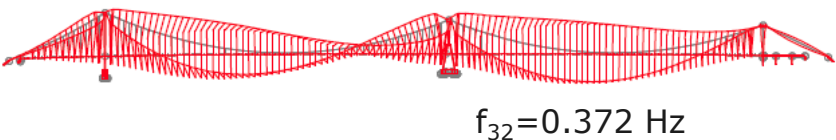


- Location: Chile
- Spans: 1155m + 1055m
- Pylon height: 157m-199 m
- Girder Dimension: 23.8m x 3.27m.
- Deck elevation: 50m
- $U_{10min_100y} = 42.5 \text{ m/s}$
- Flutter criteria: 63.5 m/s

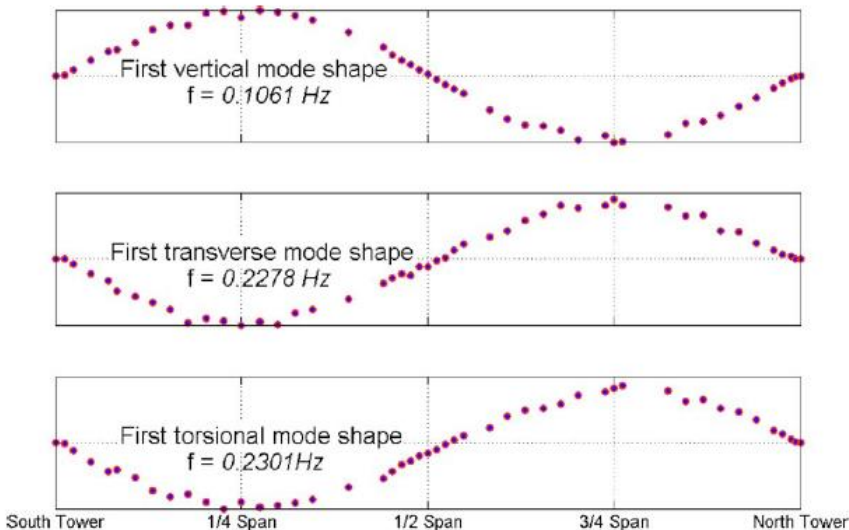


Selbergs formula - Choice of modes

Chacao - two span suspension bridge

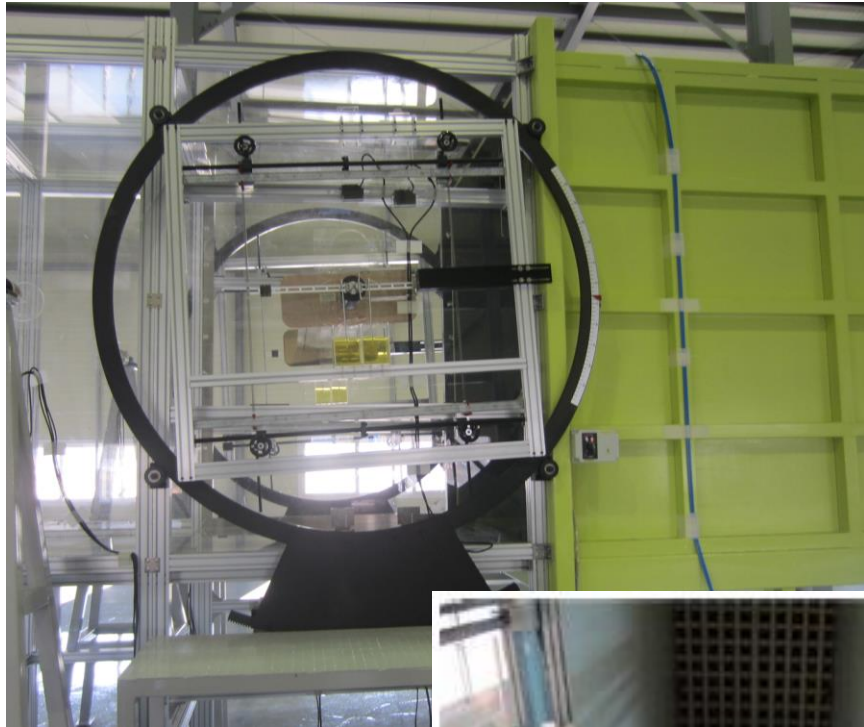


One span suspension bridge

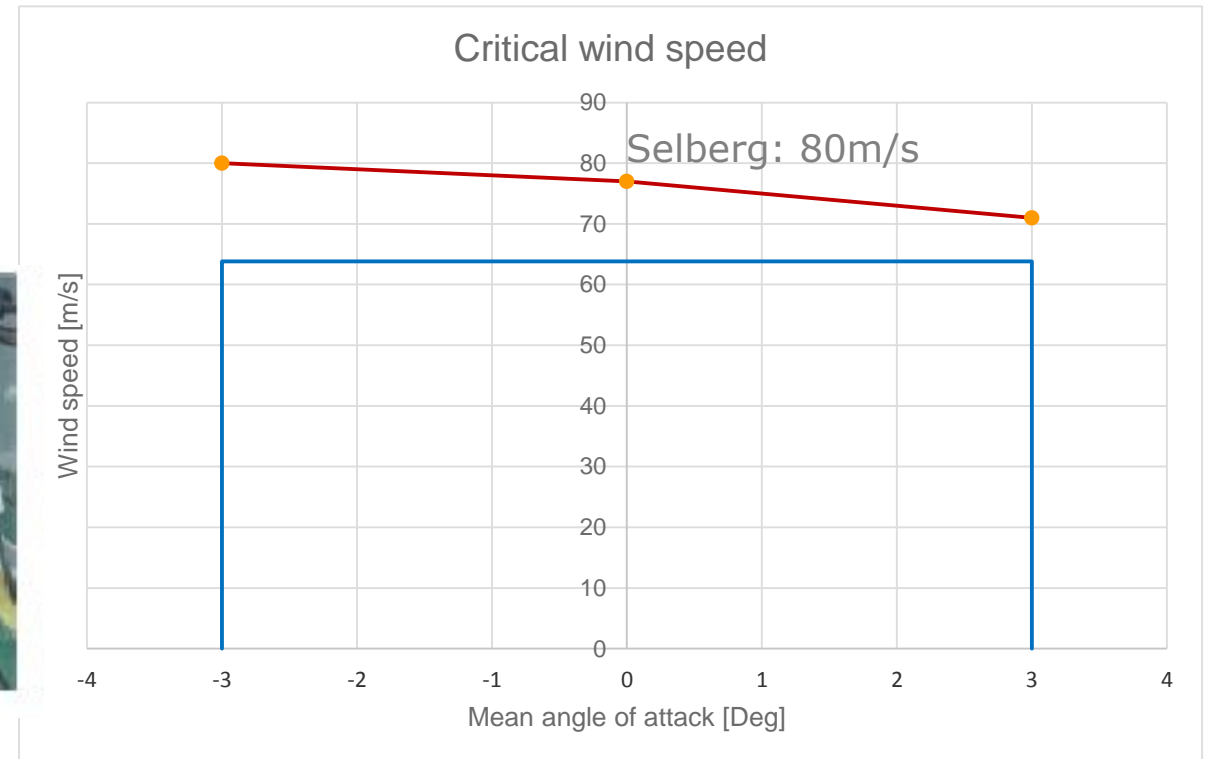


Mode No	Shape sim. [-]	Freq. ratio. [1/s]	V_{cr} [m/s]
5(V) / 29(T)	0,28	2,90	80,04
5(V) / 32(T)	0,46	3,03	80,44

Flutter speed from section model WTT



Flow	Flutter Onset Speed ¹⁾			Critical speed
	-3°	0°	+3°	
Smooth Flow	higher than 80m/s	77 m/s	71 m/s	63.8m/s
Turbulent Flow	higher than 77 m/s	higher than 77 m/s	72 m/s	



Multimodal approach

$$M_o \ddot{r}(t) + C_o \dot{r}(t) + K_o r(t) = Q_{se}(t) \quad Q_{se}(t) = C_{ae} \dot{r}(t) + K_{ae} r(t)$$

$$q_{y,se} = \frac{\rho V^2 B}{2} \left(K P_1^* \frac{\dot{r}_y}{V} + K P_2^* \frac{B \dot{r}_\theta}{V} + K^2 P_3^* r_\theta + K^2 P_4^* \frac{r_y}{B} + K P_5^* \frac{\dot{r}_z}{V} + K^2 P_6^* \frac{r_z}{B} \right)$$

$$q_{z,se} = \frac{\rho V^2 B}{2} \left(K H_1^* \frac{\dot{r}_z}{V} + K H_2^* \frac{B \dot{r}_\theta}{V} + K^2 H_3^* r_\theta + K^2 H_4^* \frac{r_z}{B} + K H_5^* \frac{\dot{r}_y}{V} + K^2 H_6^* \frac{r_y}{B} \right)$$

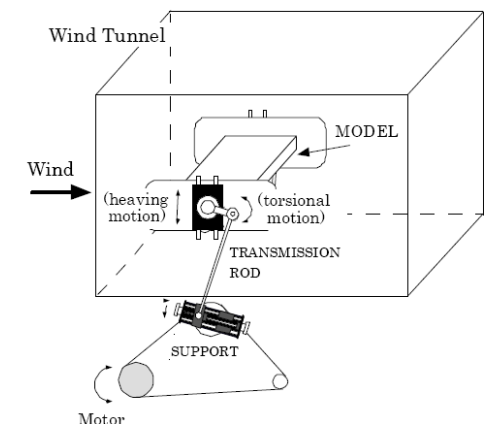
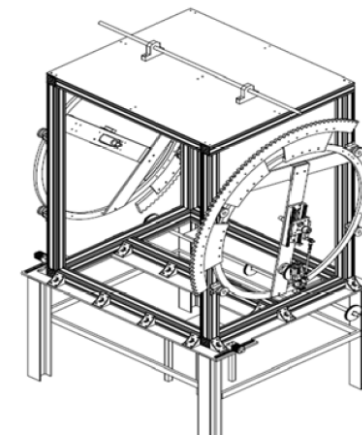
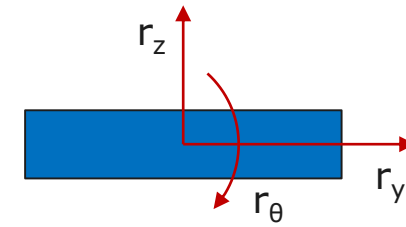
$$q_{\theta,se} = \frac{\rho V^2 B^2}{2} \left(K A_1^* \frac{\dot{r}_z}{V} + K A_2^* \frac{B \dot{r}_\theta}{V} + K^2 A_3^* r_\theta + K^2 A_4^* \frac{r_z}{B} + K A_5^* \frac{\dot{r}_y}{V} + K^2 A_6^* \frac{r_y}{B} \right)$$

- Re-arranging terms => aerodynamic damping and stiffness matrix

$$C_{ae} = \frac{\rho B^2}{2} \omega \begin{bmatrix} P_1^* & P_5^* & B P_2^* \\ H_5^* & H_1^* & B H_2^* \\ B A_5^* & B A_1^* & B^2 A_2^* \end{bmatrix}, K_{ae} = \frac{\rho B^2}{2} \omega^2 \begin{bmatrix} \cancel{I_4^*} & \cancel{I_6^*} & B P_3^* \\ \cancel{I_6^*} & H_4^* & B H_3^* \\ B \cancel{A_6^*} & B A_4^* & B^2 A_3^* \end{bmatrix}$$

○ : Quasistatic

X : Zero

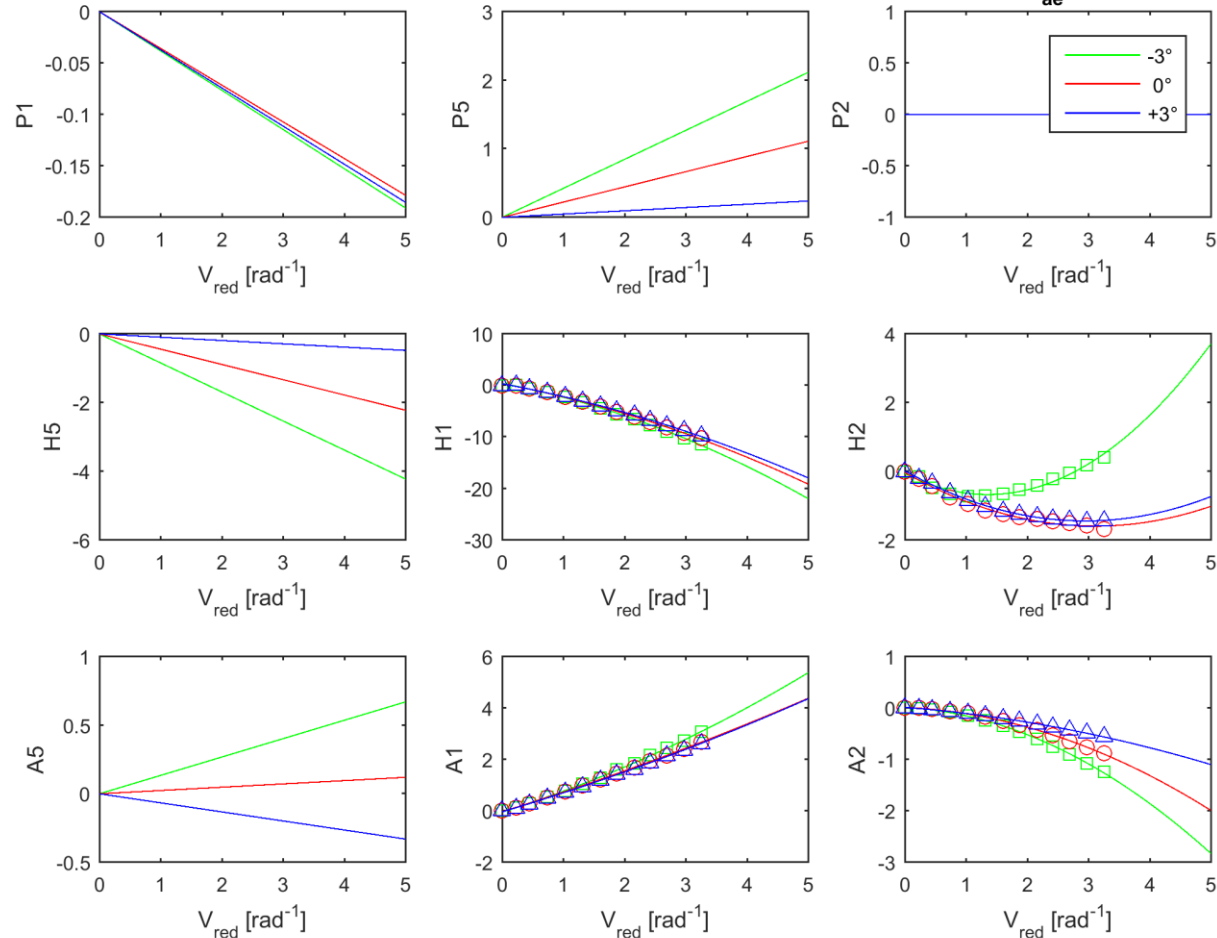


Results - damping

$$M \cdot \ddot{r} + (C_0 - C_{ae}) \cdot \dot{r} + (K_0 - K_{ae}) \cdot r = F(t)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} P_1^* & P_5^* & BP_2^* \\ H_5^* & H_1^* & BH_2^* \\ BA_5^* & BA_1^* & B^2A_2^* \end{bmatrix}$$

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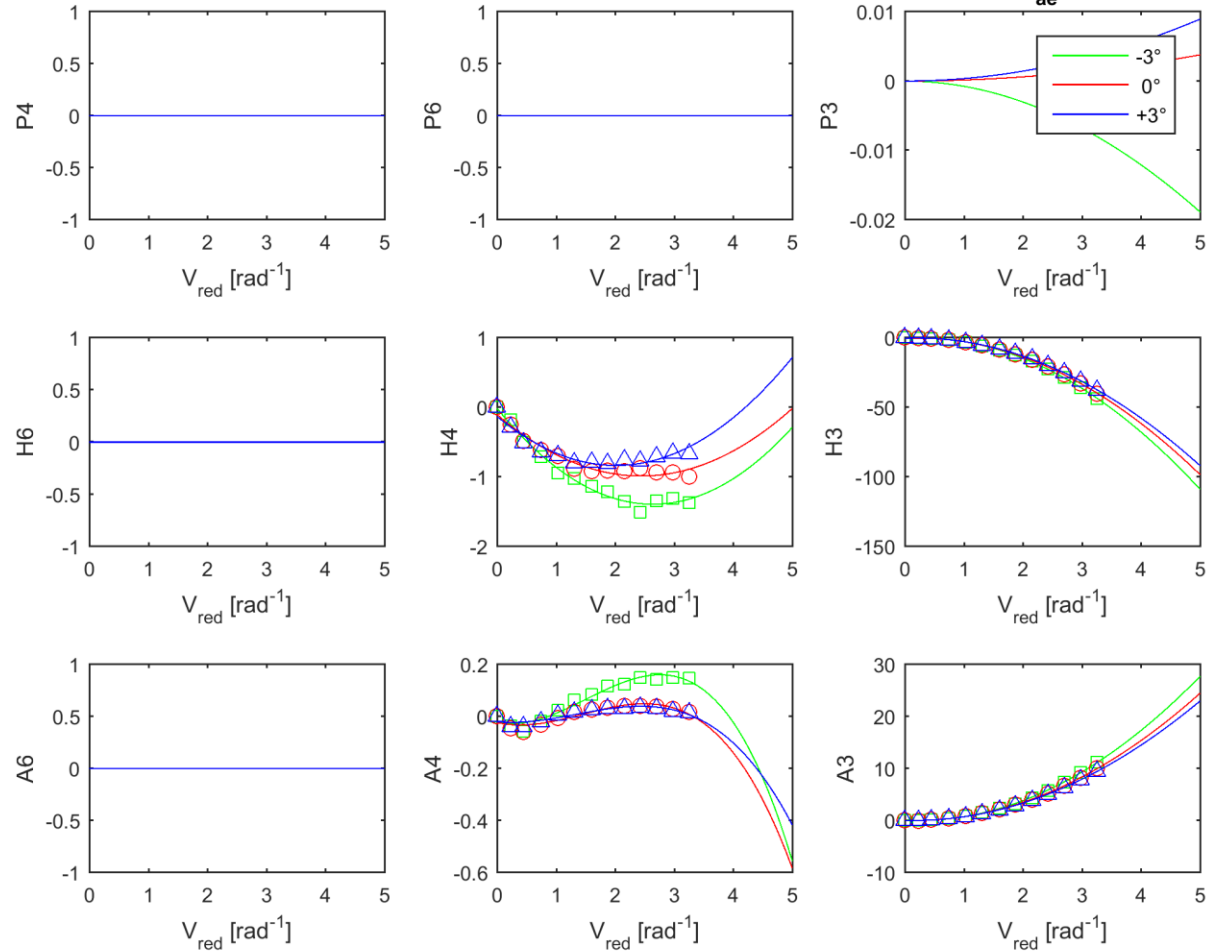


Results - stiffness

$$M \cdot \ddot{r} + (C_0 - C_{ae}) \cdot \dot{r} + (K_0 - K_{ae}) \cdot r = F(t)$$

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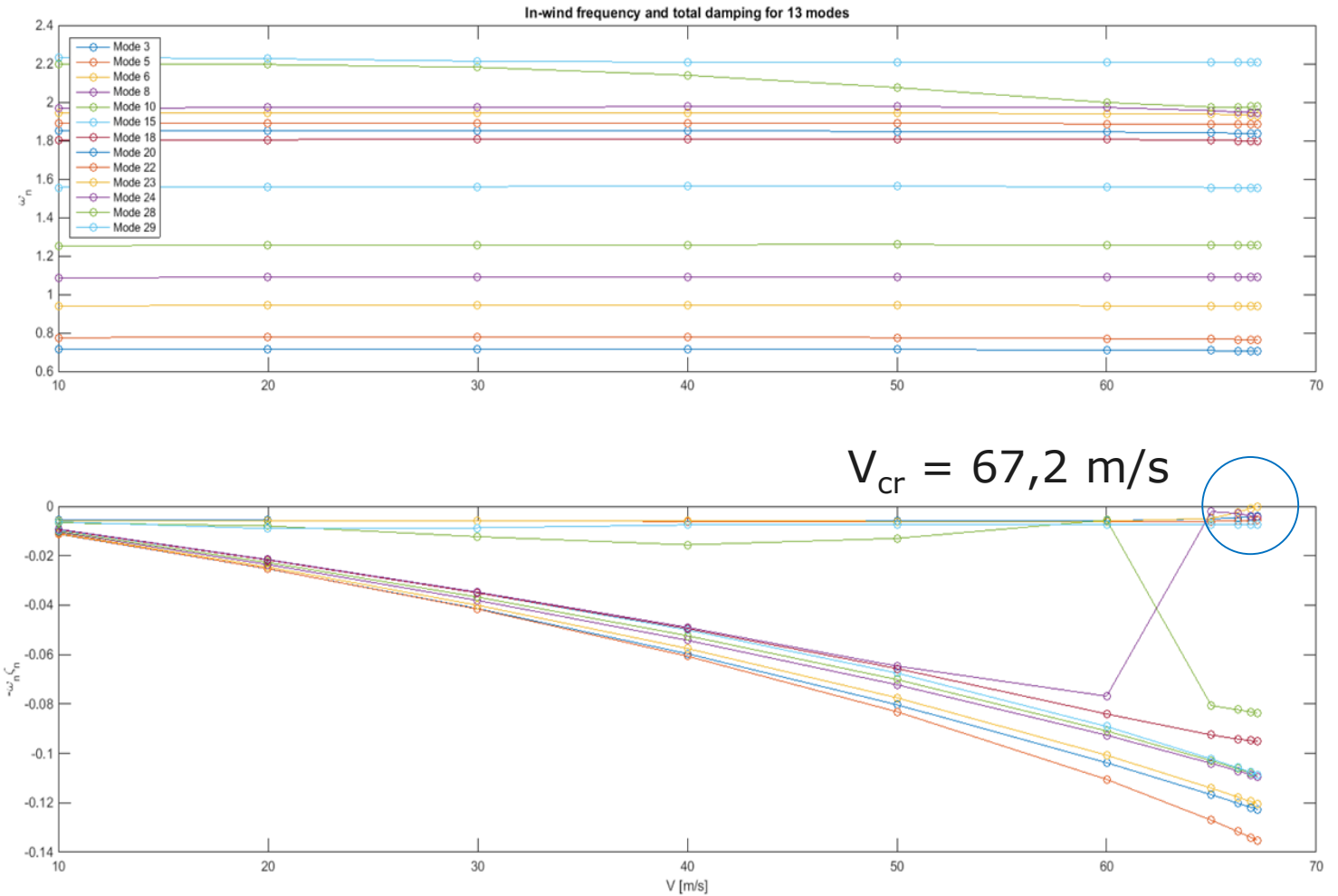
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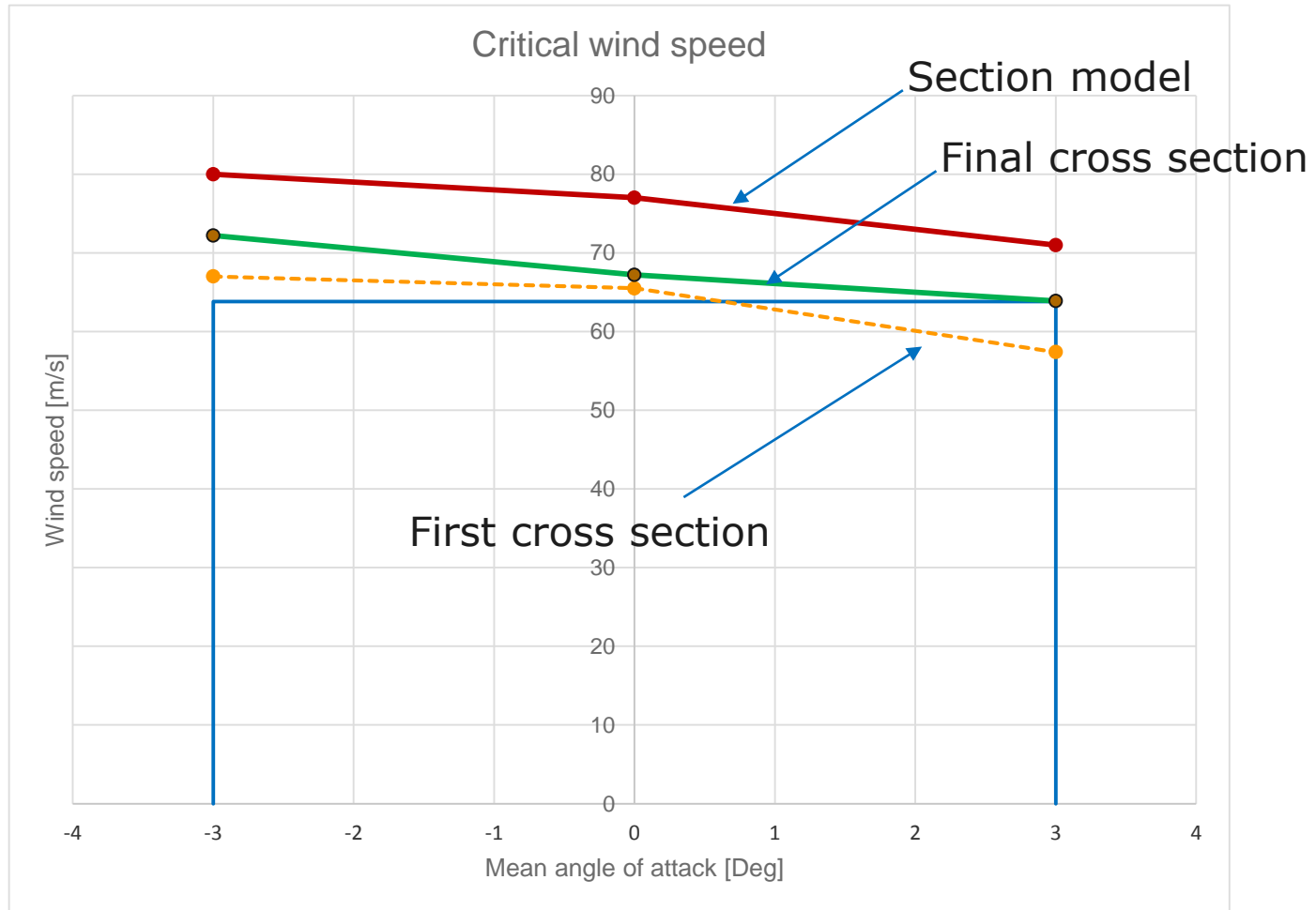
Calculation method

Numerical analysis:

- Chose modes to be included
- Incrementally increase wind speed
- Look for zero-damping => flutter

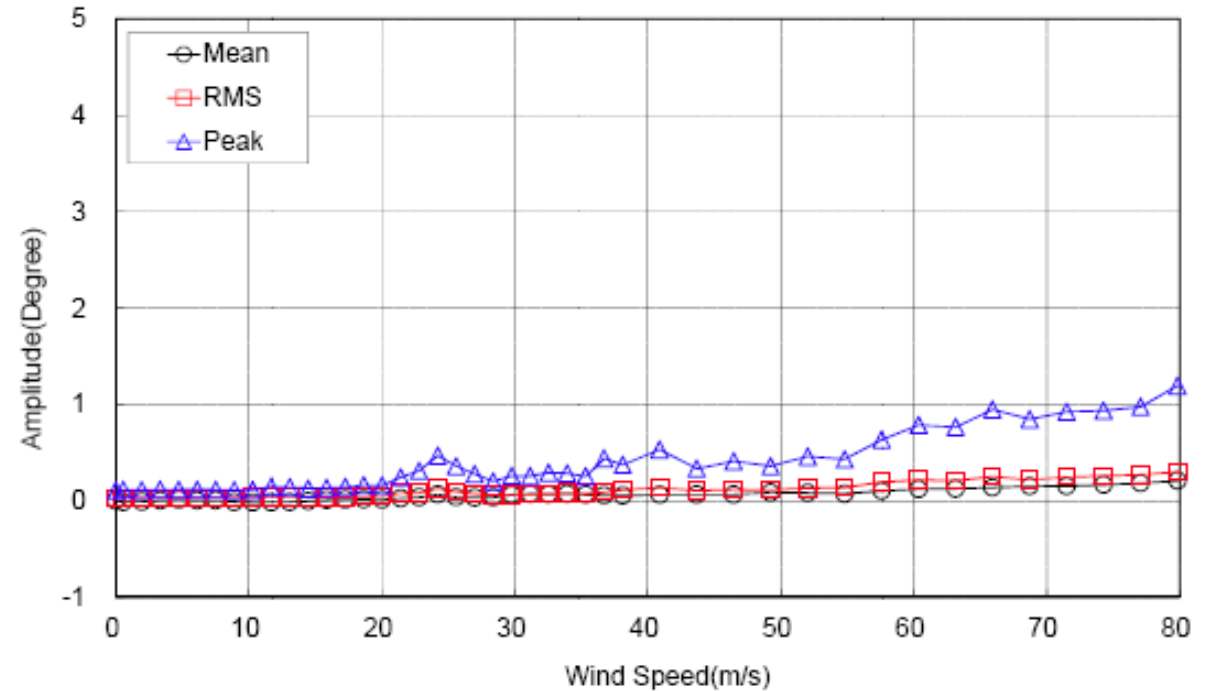


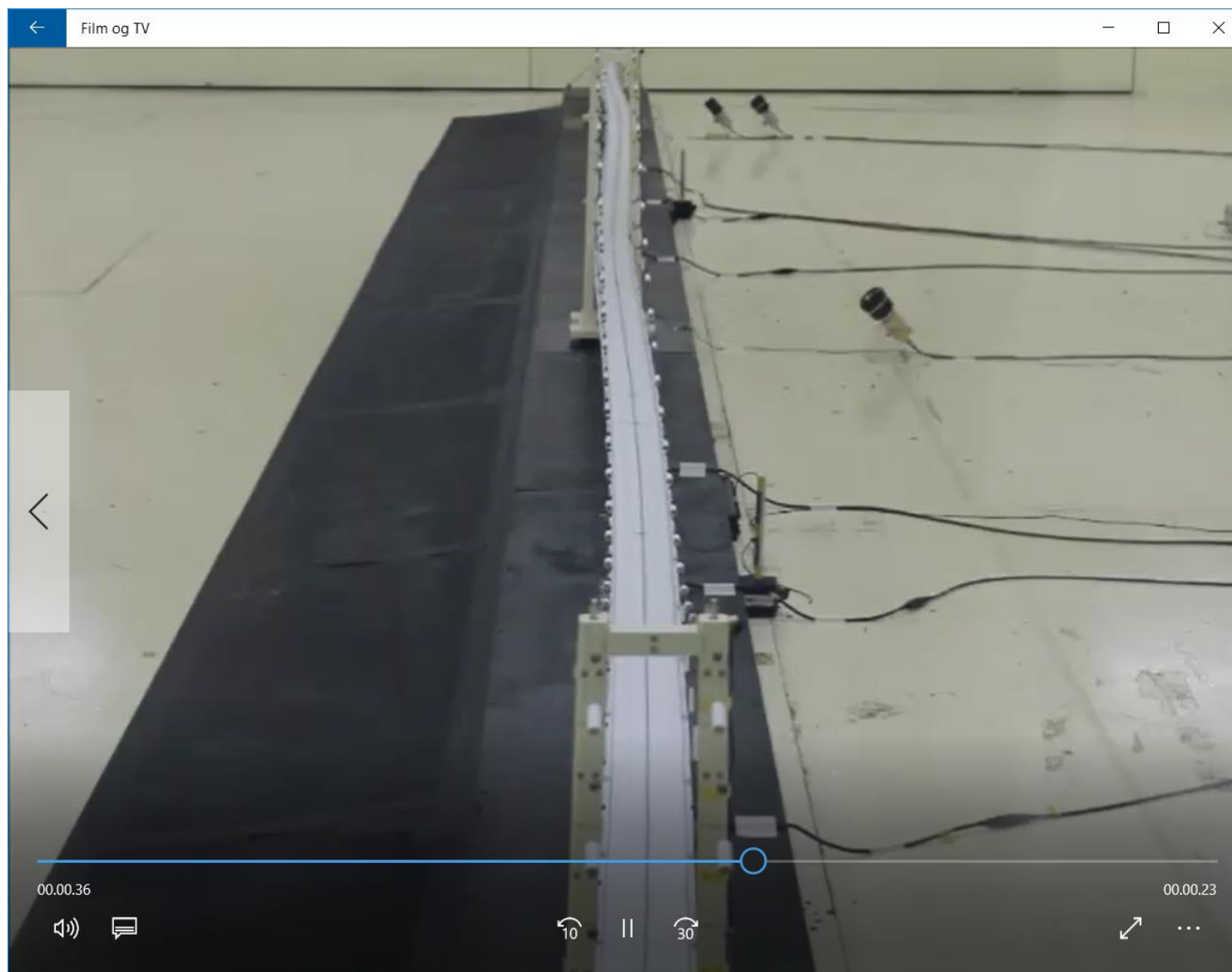
Analysis of final cross section



Verification wind tunnel test – full bridge

- Scale: 1:250
- Smooth and turbulent wind.
- Wind direction: Perpendicular and 30°
- Tolerance on vibration modes: 5%
- Actual damping: typically 0.5% of critical.





Summary of flutter analysis

The Chacao bridge has sufficient safety towards flutter

Wind shielding of vehicles

Linking stability analysis (which is a very unlikely event) with user comfort.

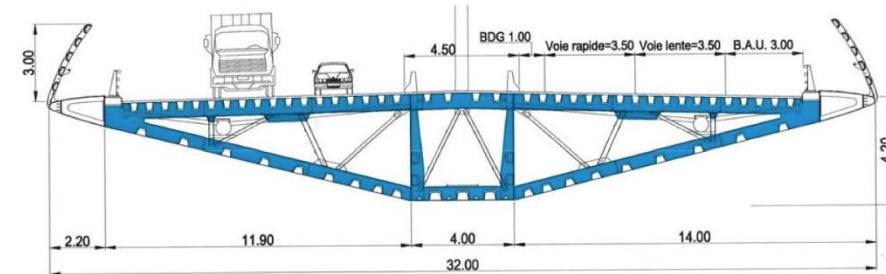
Initial thoughts on effects of wind shielding on vehicles

- What's important for a bridge:
 - **Safety**
 - **Accessibility (i.e. uptime)**

Typical thresholds:

- 10 m/s: High wind warning
- 15 m/s: Wind-sensitive vehicles stopped (caravans, motorcycles).
Speed limited to 80 kph.
- 20 m/s: Speed limited to 50kph
- 25 m/s: Closed for all traffic

Bjørnafjorden – completely closed: 15.5h a year.



Cross wind effects on vehicles

- Cross wind variation
- Forces on vehicle
- Human response
- Dynamic response of vehicle
- Acceptance criteria:
 - Lane: 3.5m
 - Car: 2.0m
 - Wiggle room: +/-0.75m
 - Wind: +/- 0.5m
- Need WT input

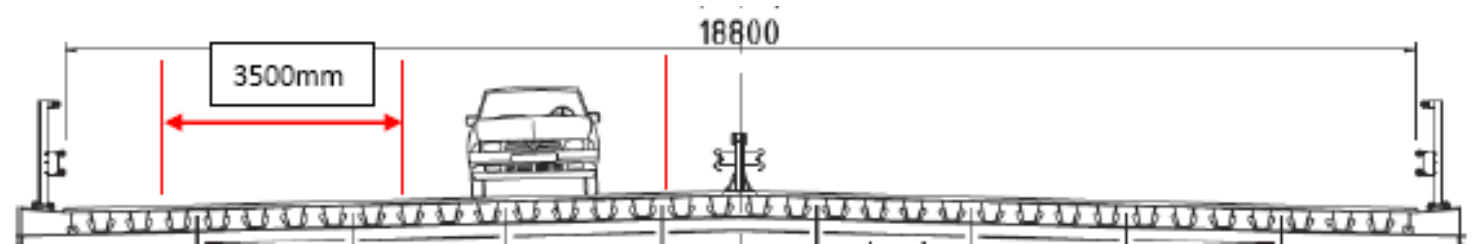
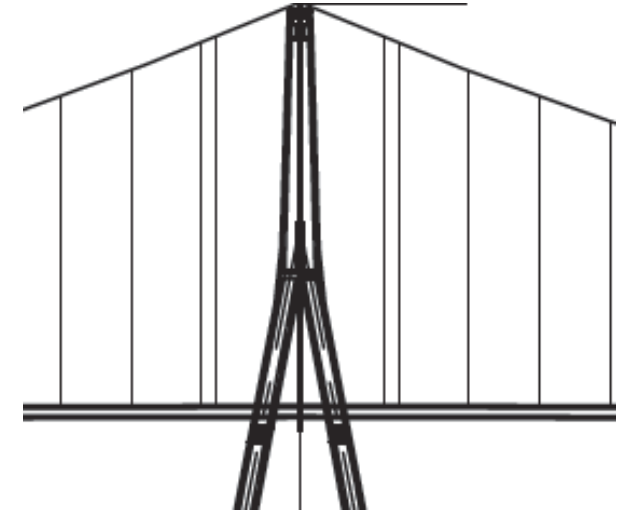
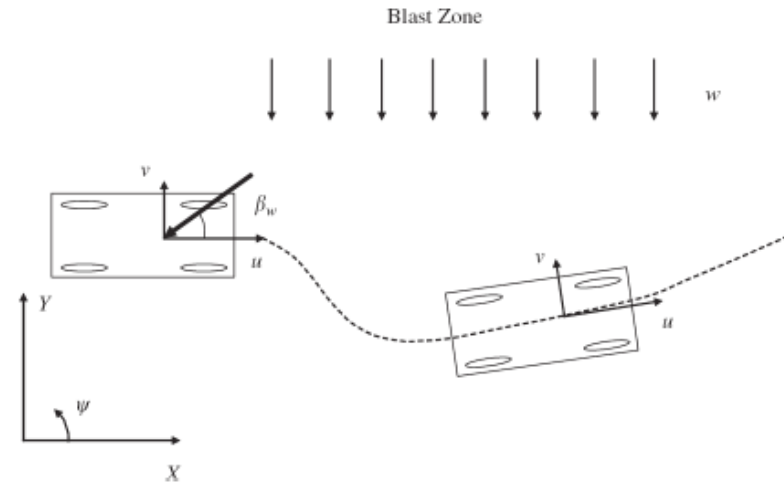
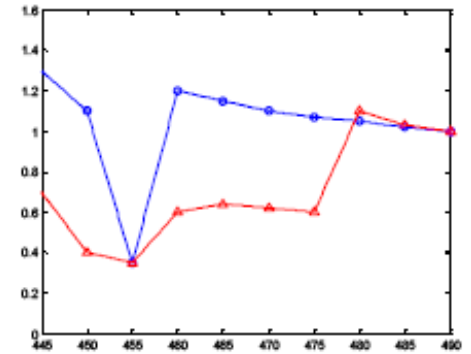
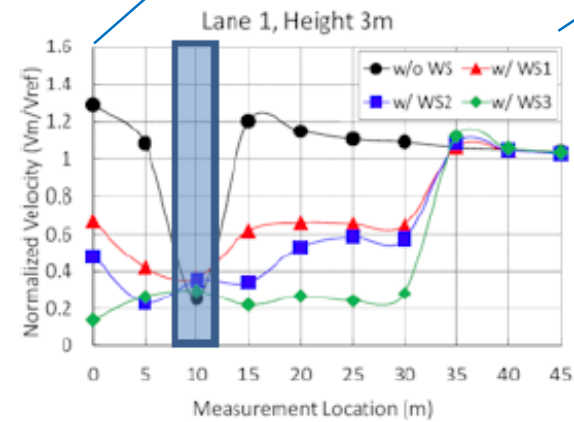
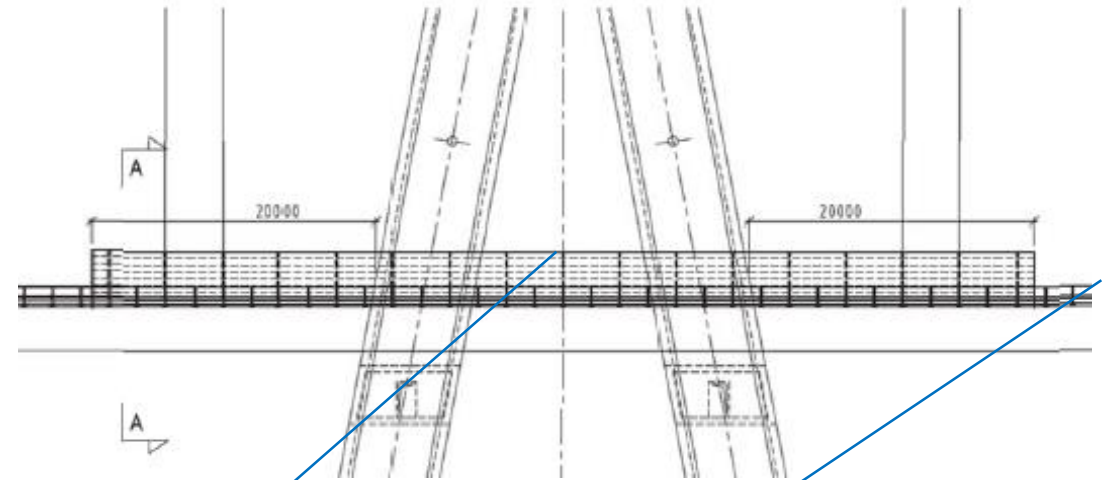
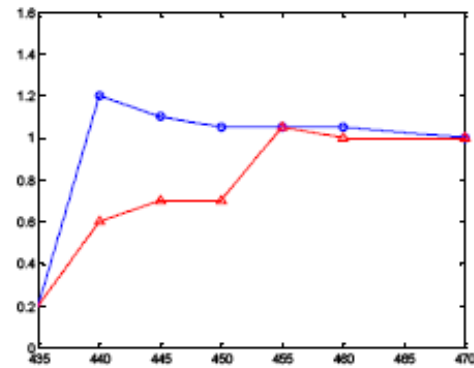
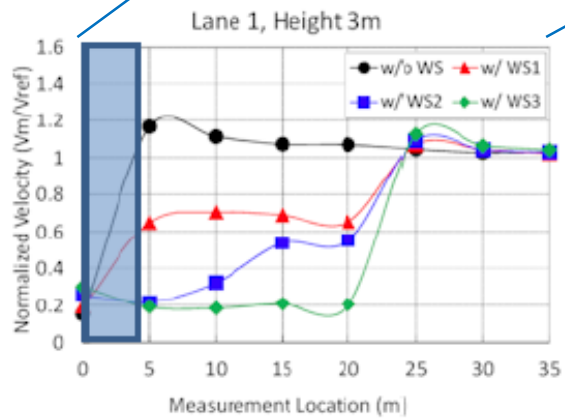
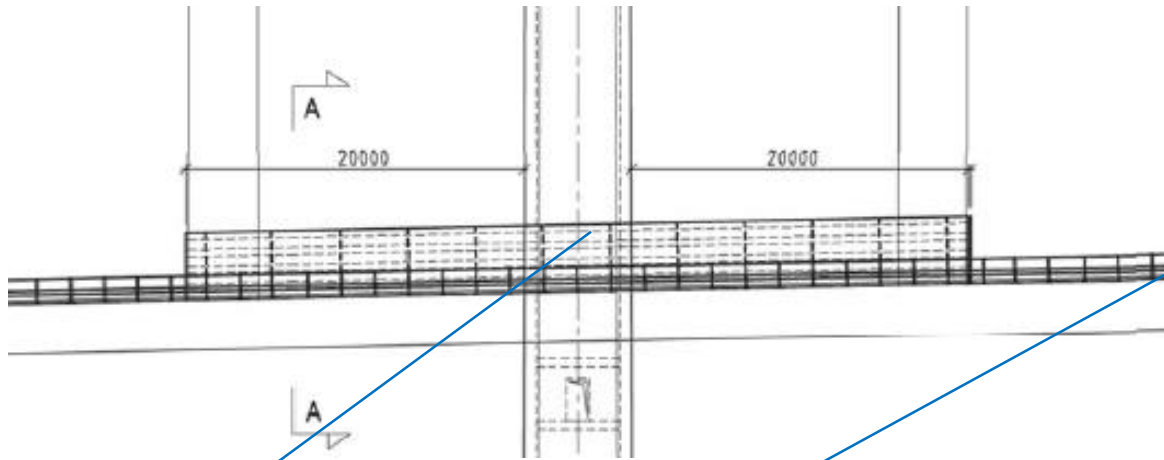


Figure 7 Bridge girder. Lanes indicated

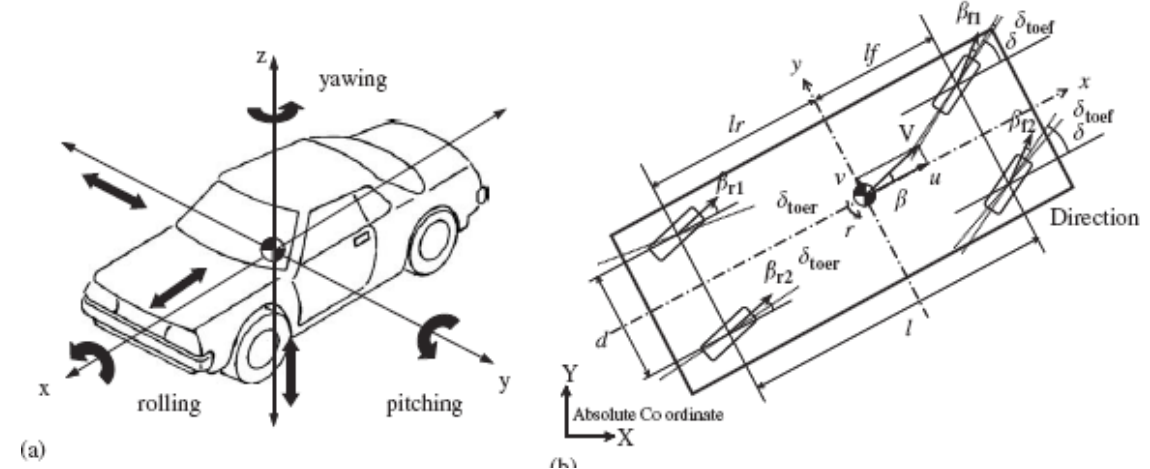
Shielding effects. Wind tunnel tests.



Calculation model

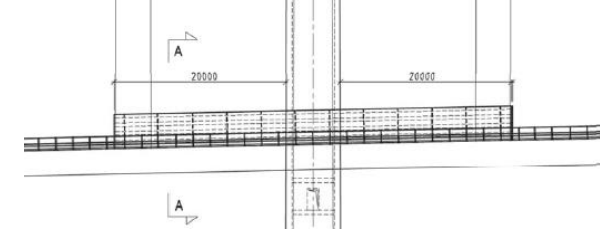
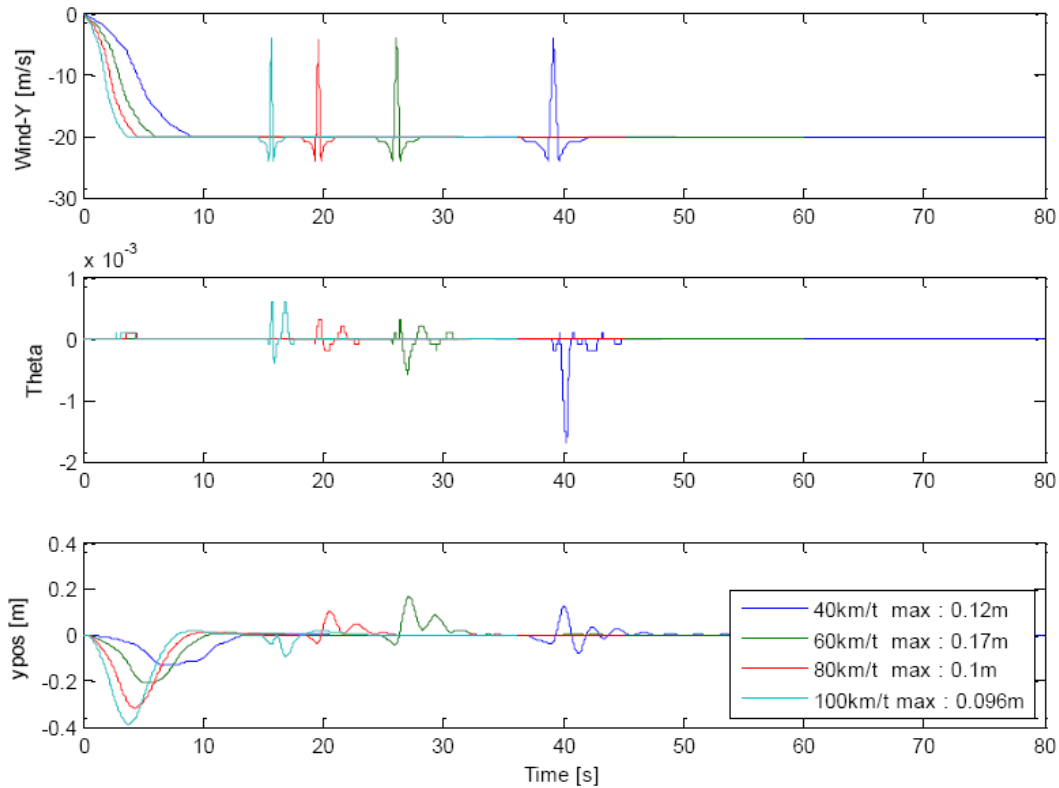
- Vehicle data
 - Aerodynamic properties
 - Dynamic
- Human response

Maruyama and Yamazaki. *Dynamic response of a vehicle model with six degrees of freedom under seismic motion*

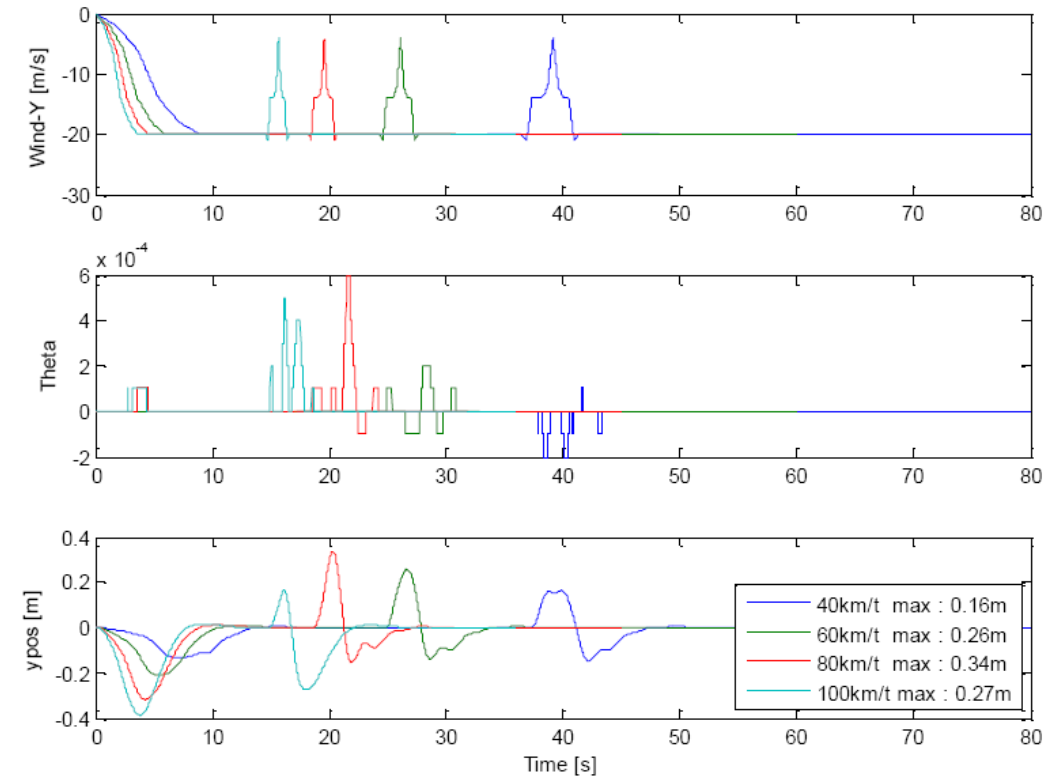


North pylon analysis

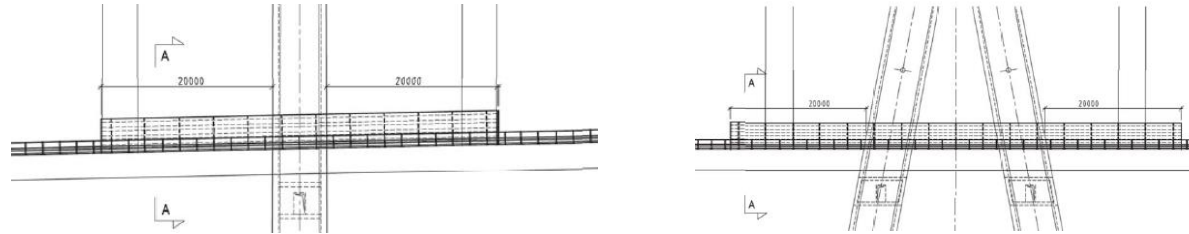
North pylon wo/screens. Compact car. $V=20$ m/s



North pylon w/screens. Compact car. $V=20$ m/s



Results



	North Pylon		Central pylon	
Wind shield:	Without [m]	With [m]	Without [m]	With [m]
40 km/h	0.12	0.16	0.15	0.21
60 km/h	0.17	0.26	0.12	0.27
80 km/h	0.10	0.34	0.15	0.34
100 km/h	0.10	0.27	0.35	0.16

General trend: These wind screens give larger sideways deflection than no-screen case.

Sensitivity analysis:

- Lower speed: less response

- Increasing mass: response equal or reduced

- Increased aerodynamic area: increased response

Further work on cross wind effects on vehicles

- Review acceptance criteria
- Better database for input to analysis
- More vehicles
 - **Aero and dynamic properties**
 - **High sided vehicles**
- Improve human response algorithm
- Local effects near pylon
 - **More wind screen types**
 - **Local «shaping» of pylons?**
 - **Bridge girder effects?**

Summary

The multimodal flutter analysis of Chacao bridge showed that it has sufficient safety towards flutter.

Local wind shielding might not be beneficial for vehicles, but more comprehensive work is needed.

(Different vehicles, identify differences in bridges if any, is optimizing of local shielding possible, interaction with human response)



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