



Wind-Turbine Bridge

11050 Super-light Structures
Group 10



1 - Inspiration



Reusing existing structures

Increase usability from existing structures by creating energy which can benefit the local inhabitants



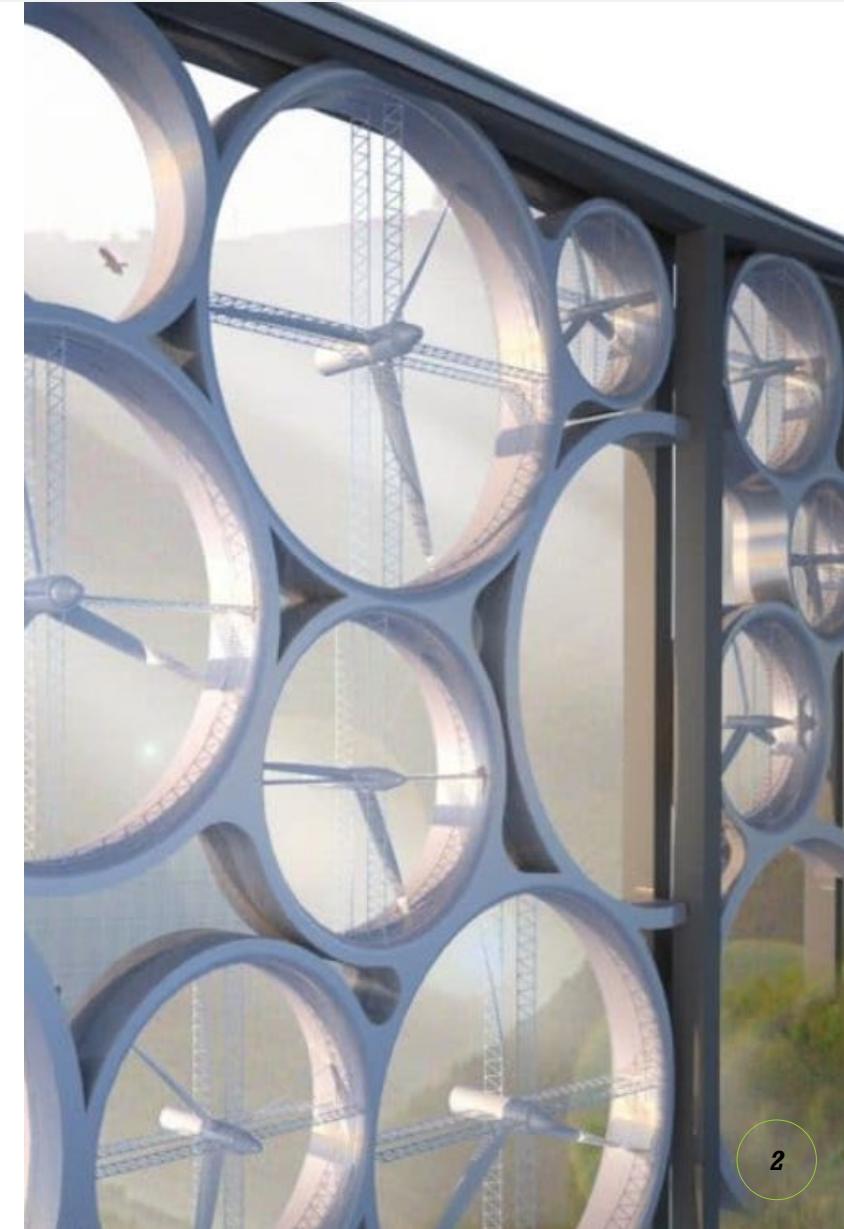
Sustainable Energy Source

Taking advantage of the typical wind in valleys and transform it into a sustainable energy source



Solar Wind Bridge

Architectural design competition in Italy to reuse an existing bridge





2 - Introduction



SL-Technology

Design and plan the construction of a structure, using super-light concrete, that can be reproduced in several locations



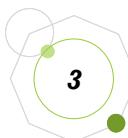
Design Requirements

A bridge is chosen which can fit and sustain small wind turbines



Energy Production

The wind-turbine bridge is able to generate green electricity for the communities around and therefore, provides a sustainable outcome.



3 – Design Requirements



Pillars Distance

The constant distance between pillars makes it more cost effective



Location

The bridge stands over a valley, a region where the wind is present during the year



Bridge Shape

The curved shaped of the bridge will benefit its performance under wind loads

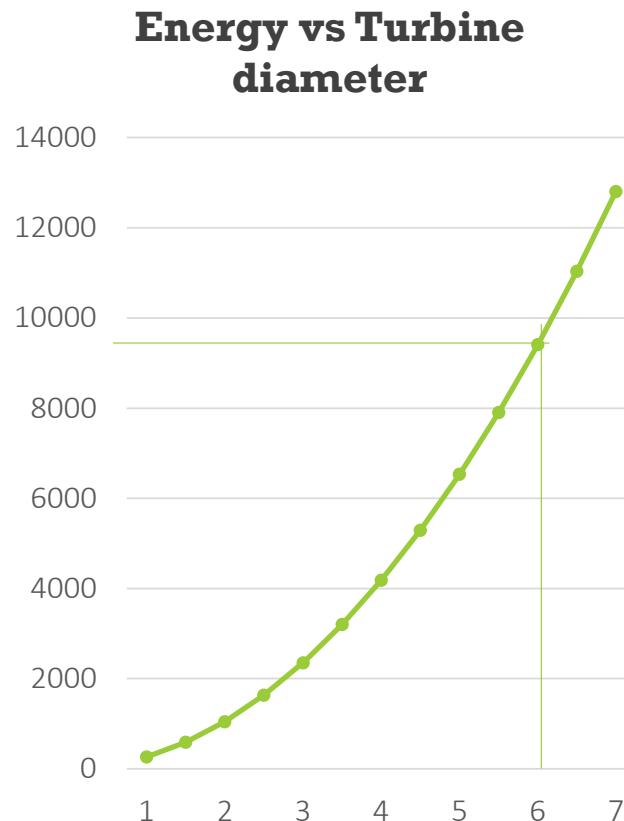
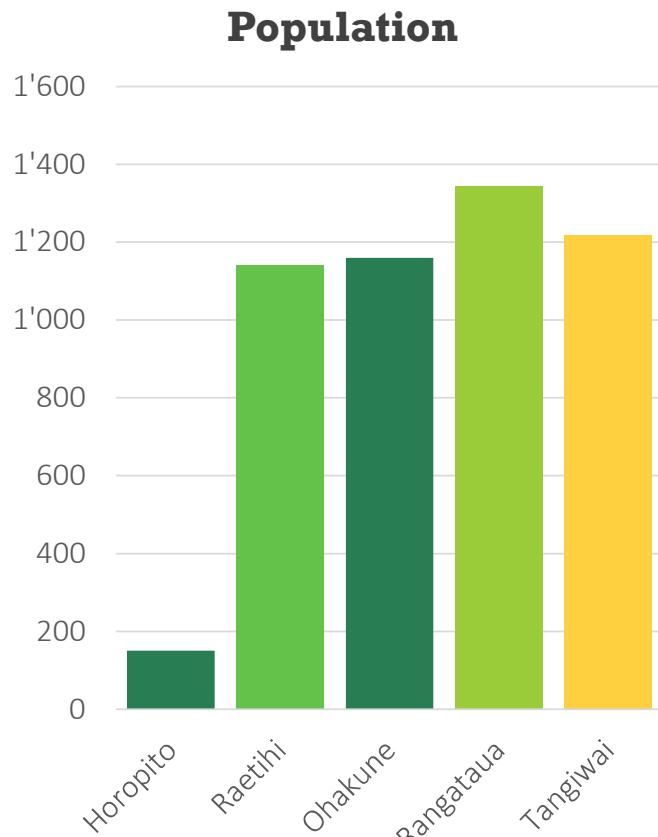
4 - Hapuawhenua Viaduct

- Tongaroriro National Park (New Zealand).
- 3 existing renewable energy plants in the park.
- Yearly average wind speed is 5m/s .
- Due to the geometry and wind speed, 3 turbines are chosen of 6m diameter each.



4 – Energy Production

The aim of the Windturbine Bridge is to provide energy to benefit the communities next to Tongaroriro National Park



496800 kWh/year

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150 households

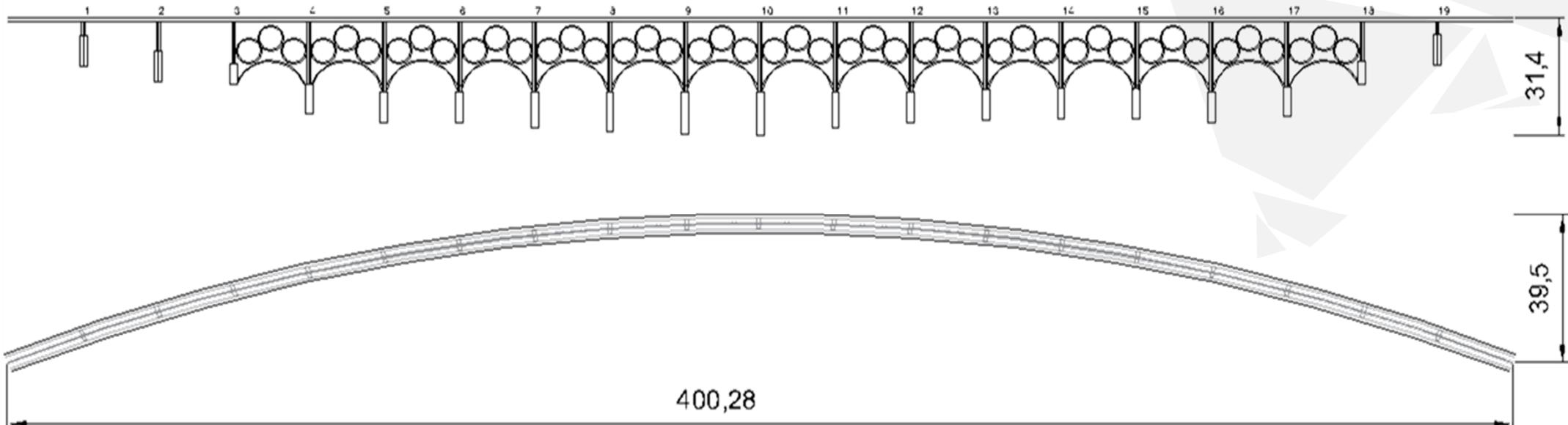


4% of the population around Tongaroriro National Park



5 – System/ Units/ Elements

1 *Entire Bridge*



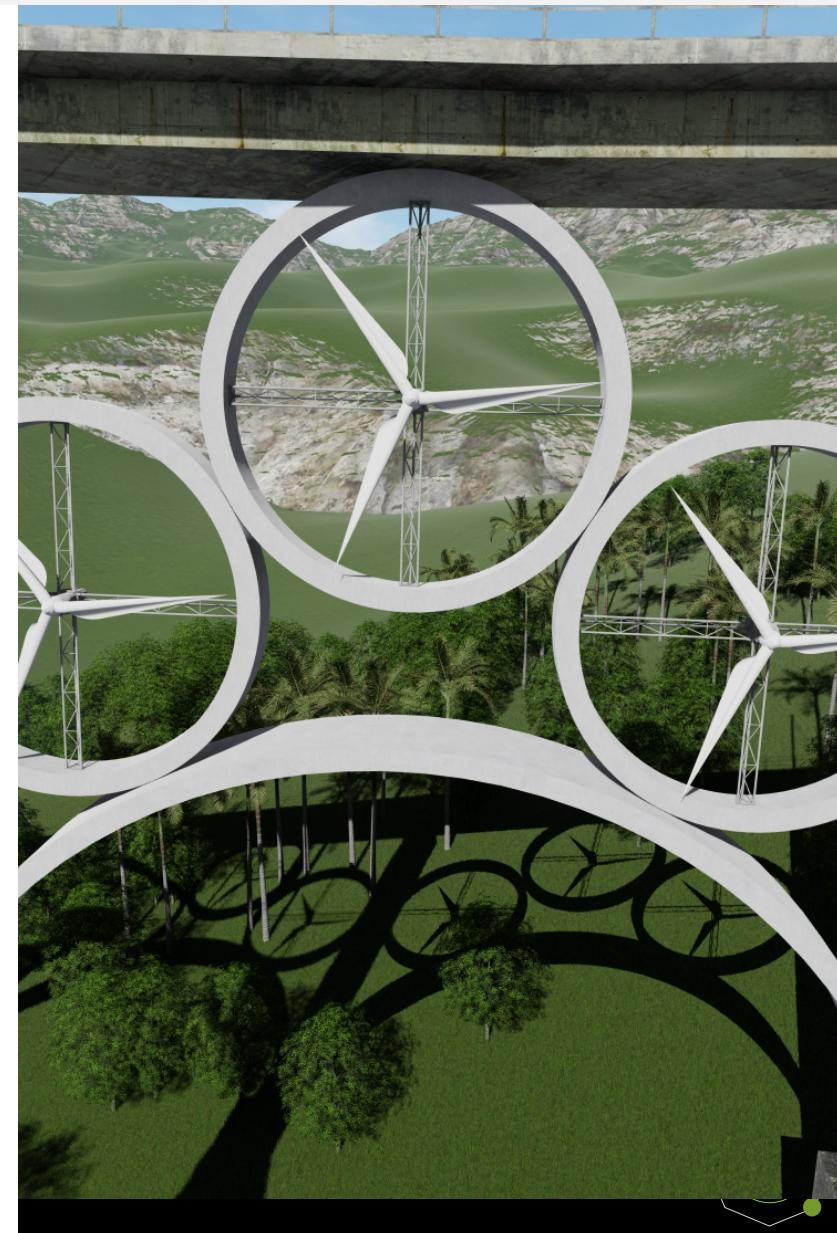
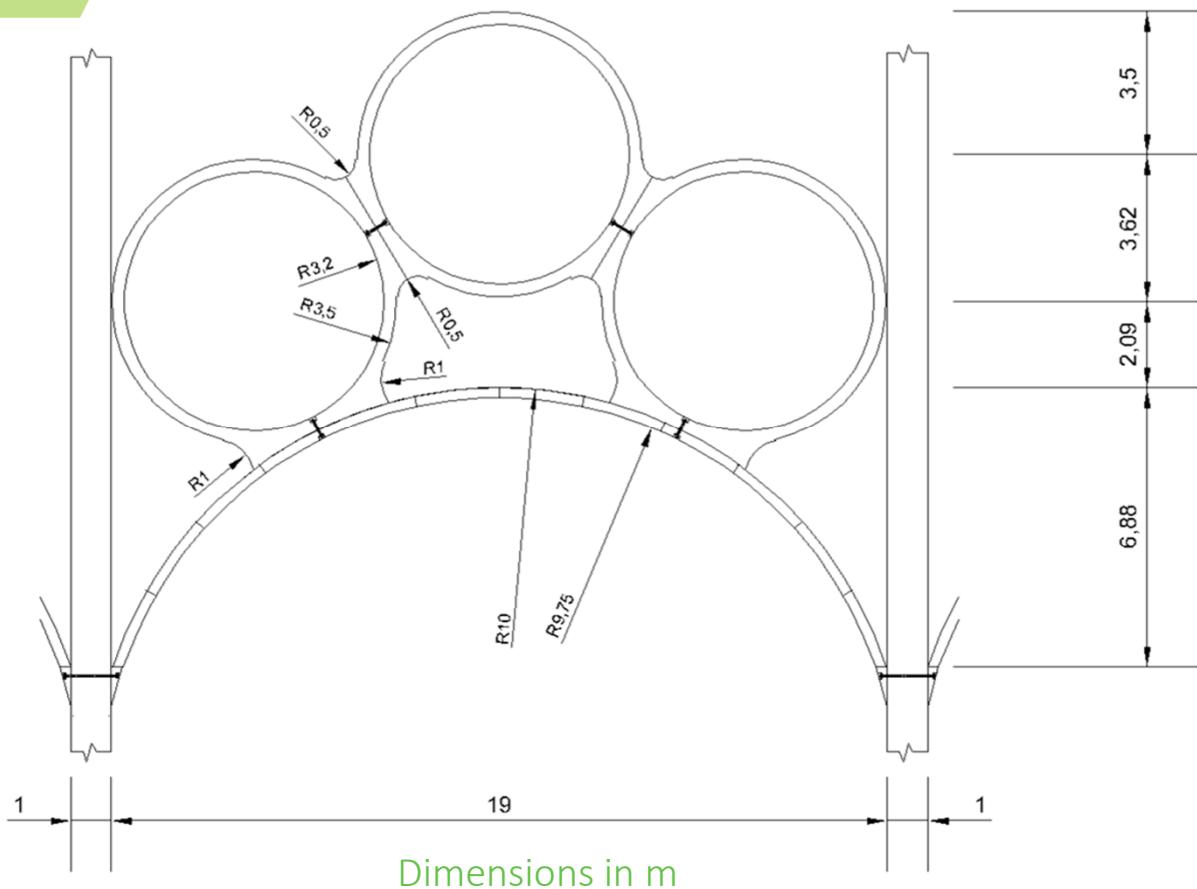
Dimensions in m



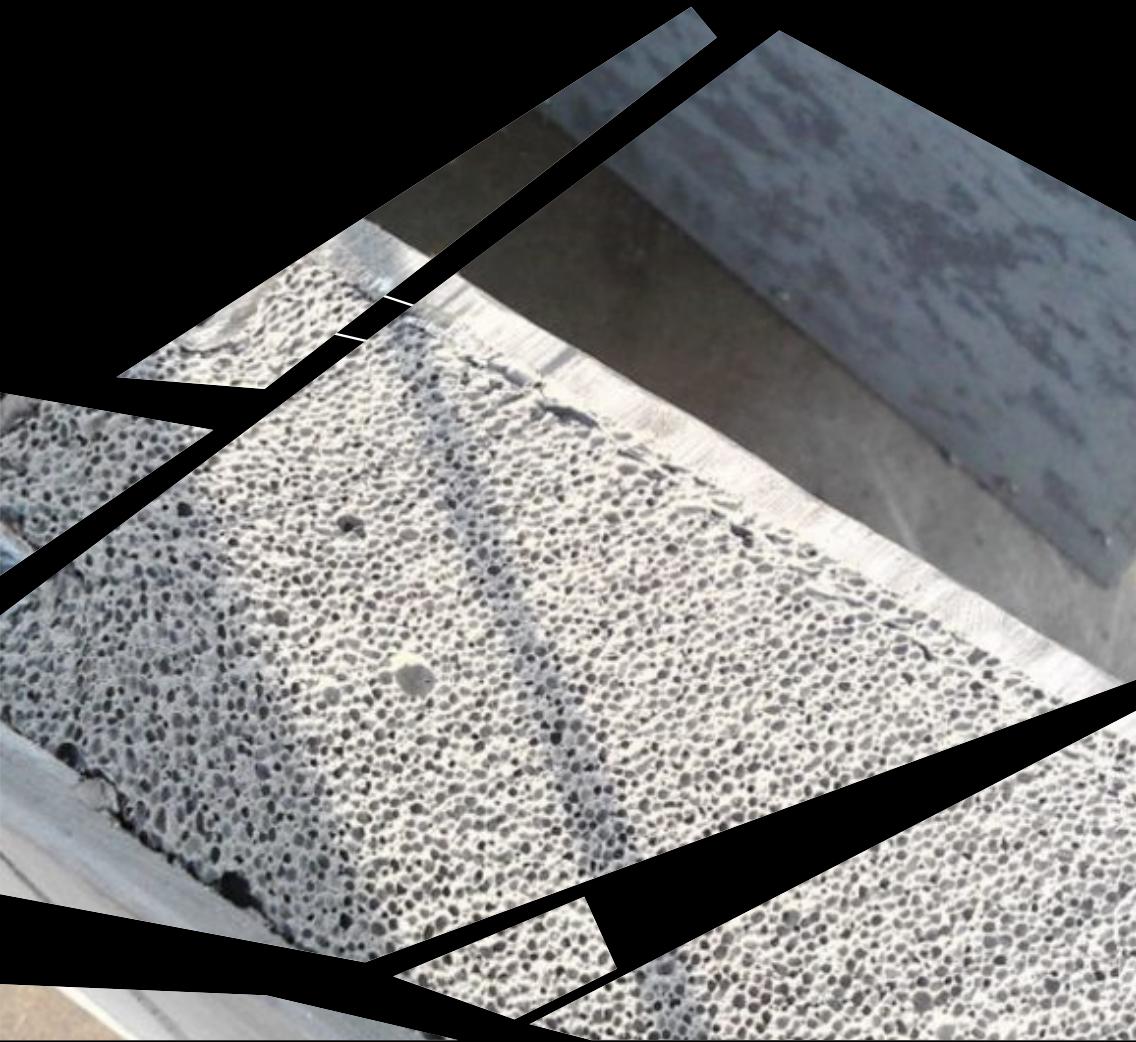
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Module unit



5 – System/ Units/ Elements



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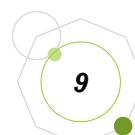
Materials

Concrete

Strong concrete	f_c	55 MPa
	f_t	4.21 MPa
	E	38.2 GPa
	ρ	2400 kg/m ³
Light concrete	f_c	3 MPa
	f_t	0.3 MPa
	E	2.1 GPa
	ρ	1700 kg/m ³

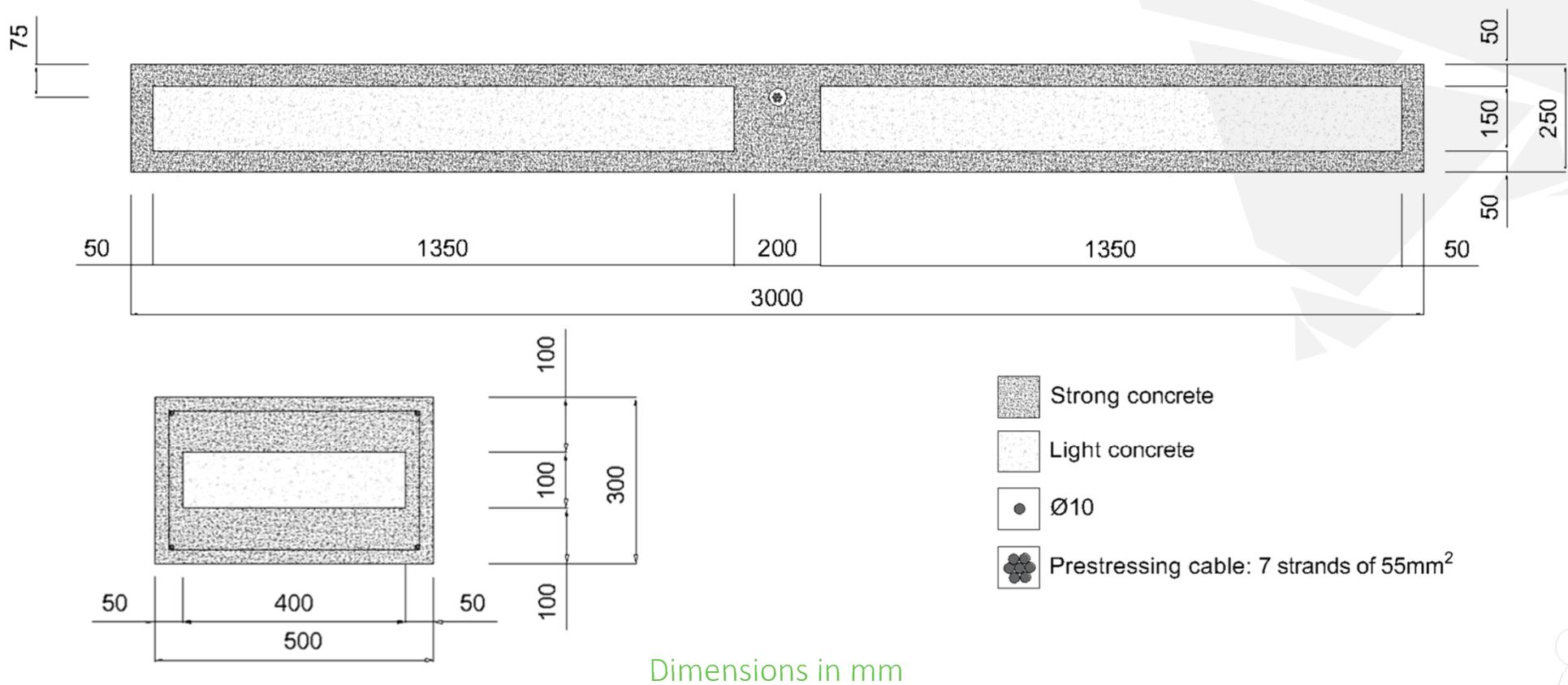
Steel

Reinforcement (ø10 bars)	f_{yk}	500 MPa
Pre-stress (7 strands of 55mm ²)	$f_{p0.1k}$	1582 Mpa

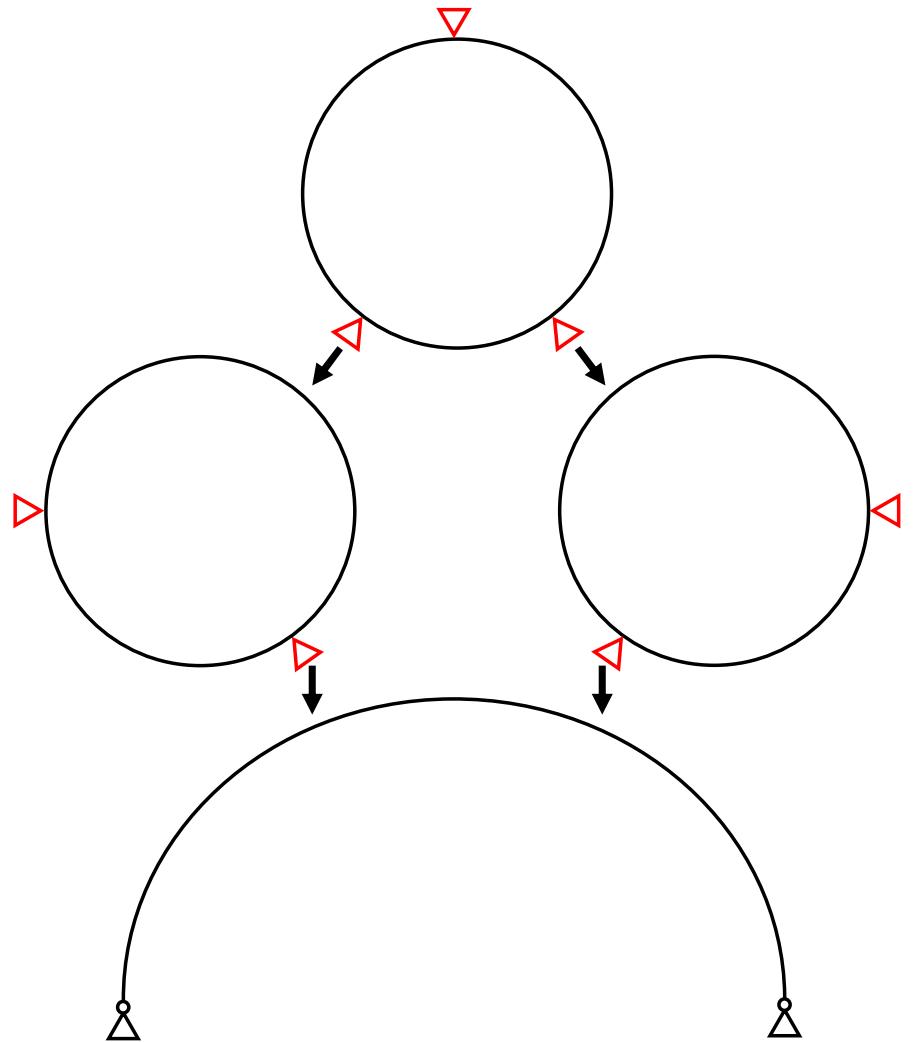


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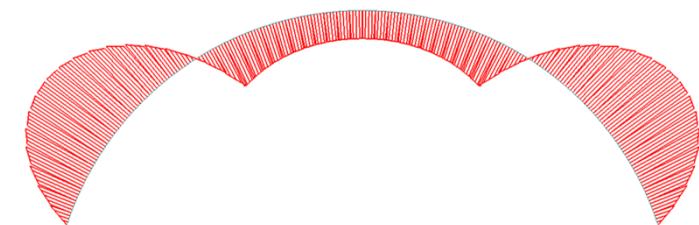
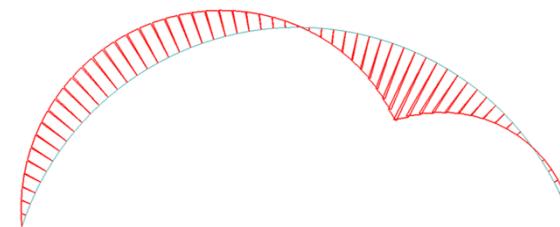
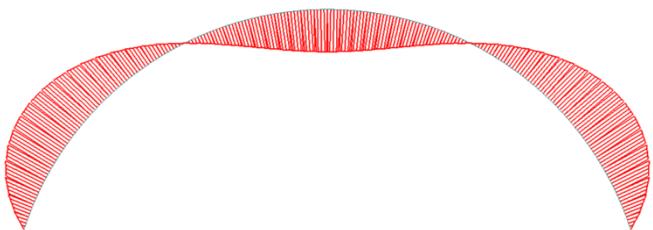
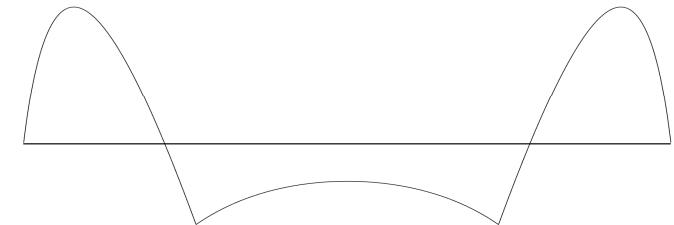
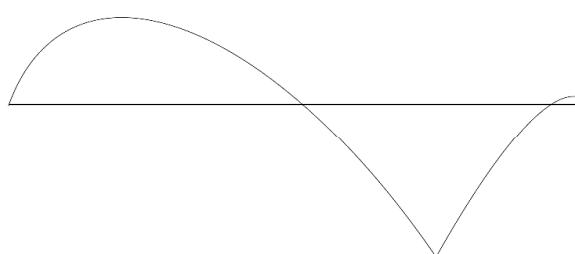
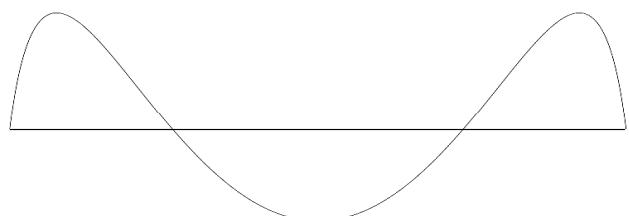
4 *Cross-sections*



6 – Static System



6 – Structural Calculations (Arch)



Self-weight

M_{max+} Analytical

55.42 kNm

M_{max+} FEM

65.41 kNm

M_{max-} Analytical

-43.23 kNm

M_{max-} FEM

-50.81 kNm

Point load

93.96 kNm

93.59 kNm

-161.41 kNm

-160.9 kNm

Total

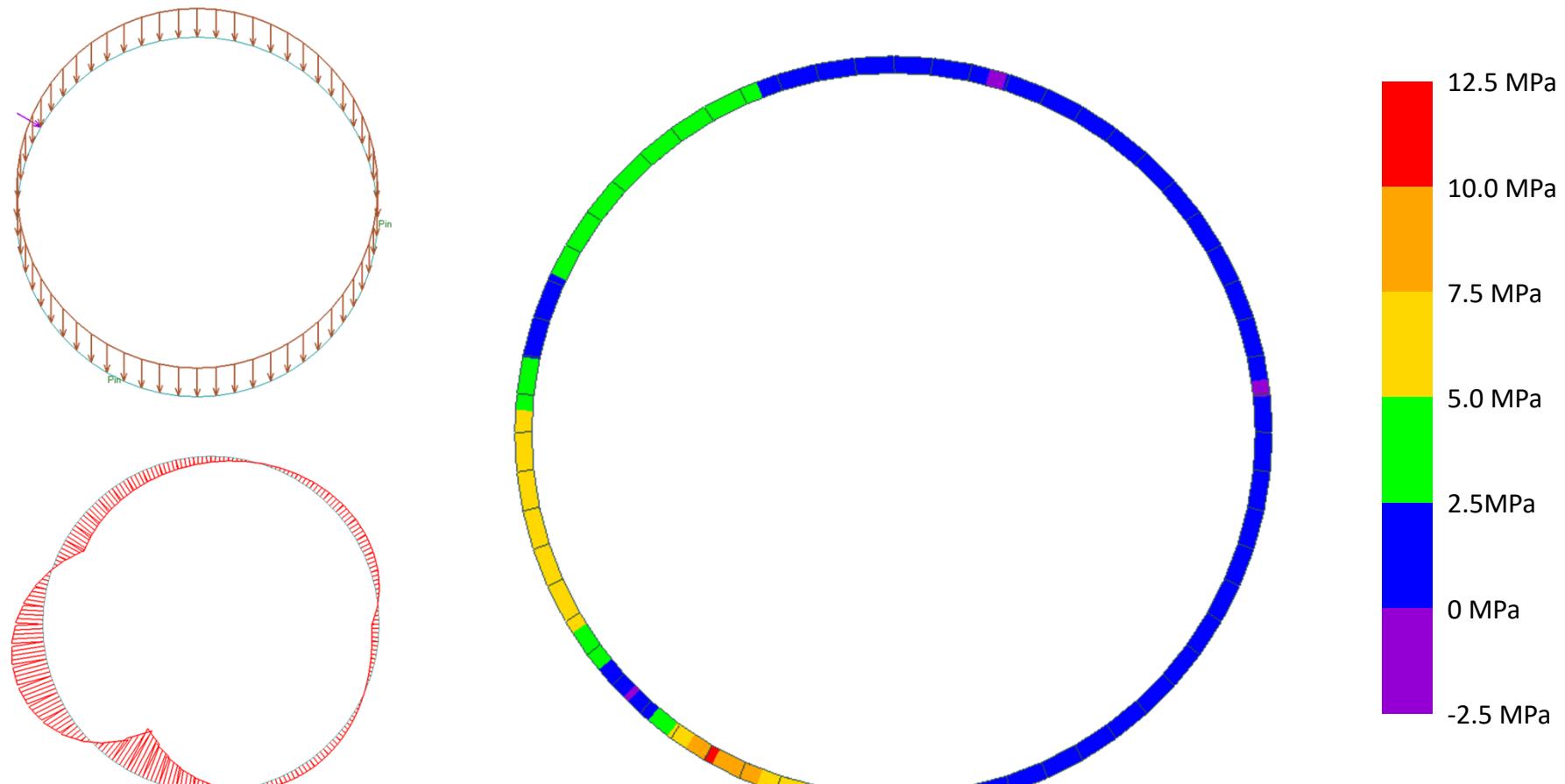
123.78 kNm

134.2 kNm

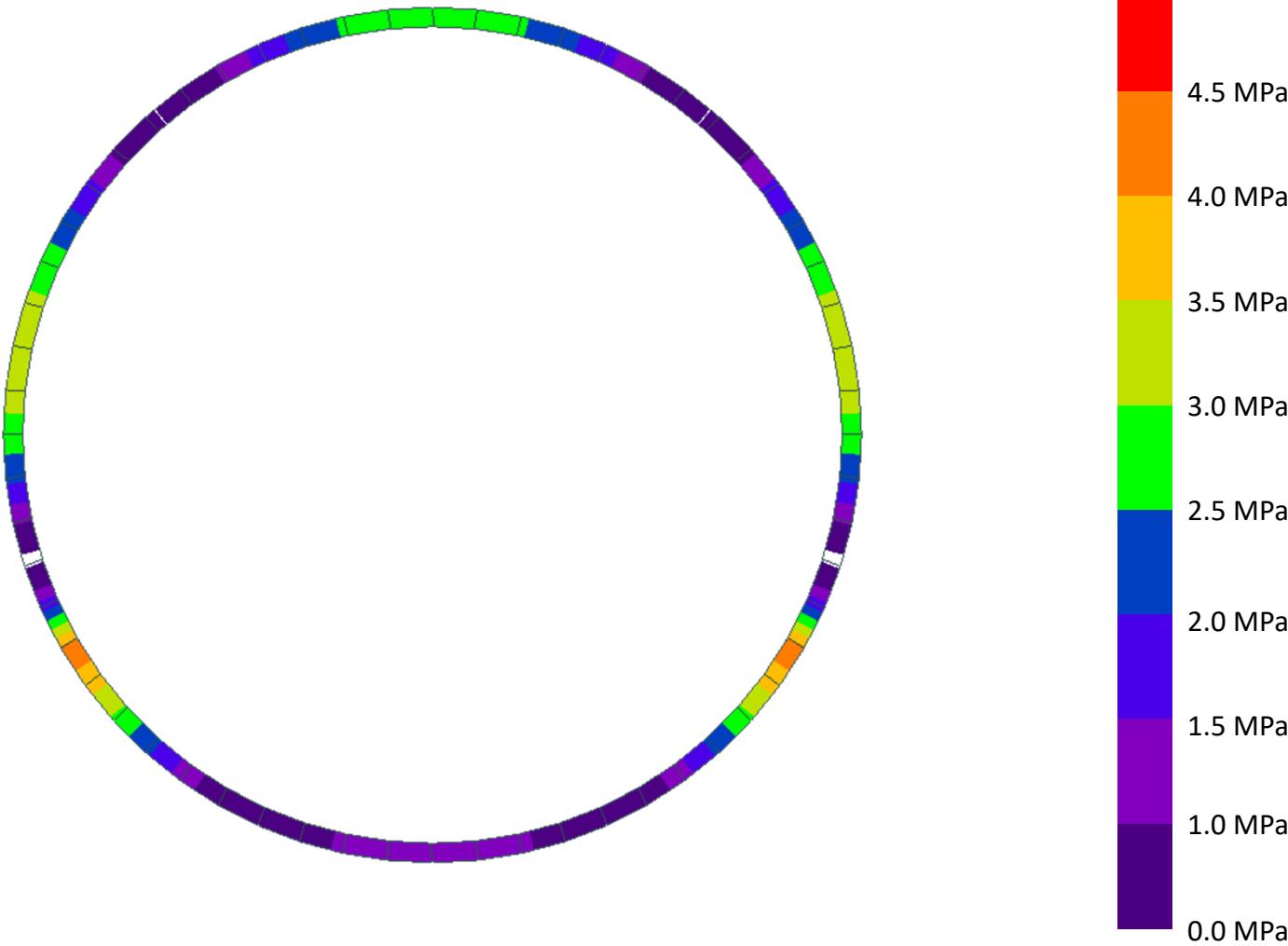
-74.25 kNm

-74.32 kNm

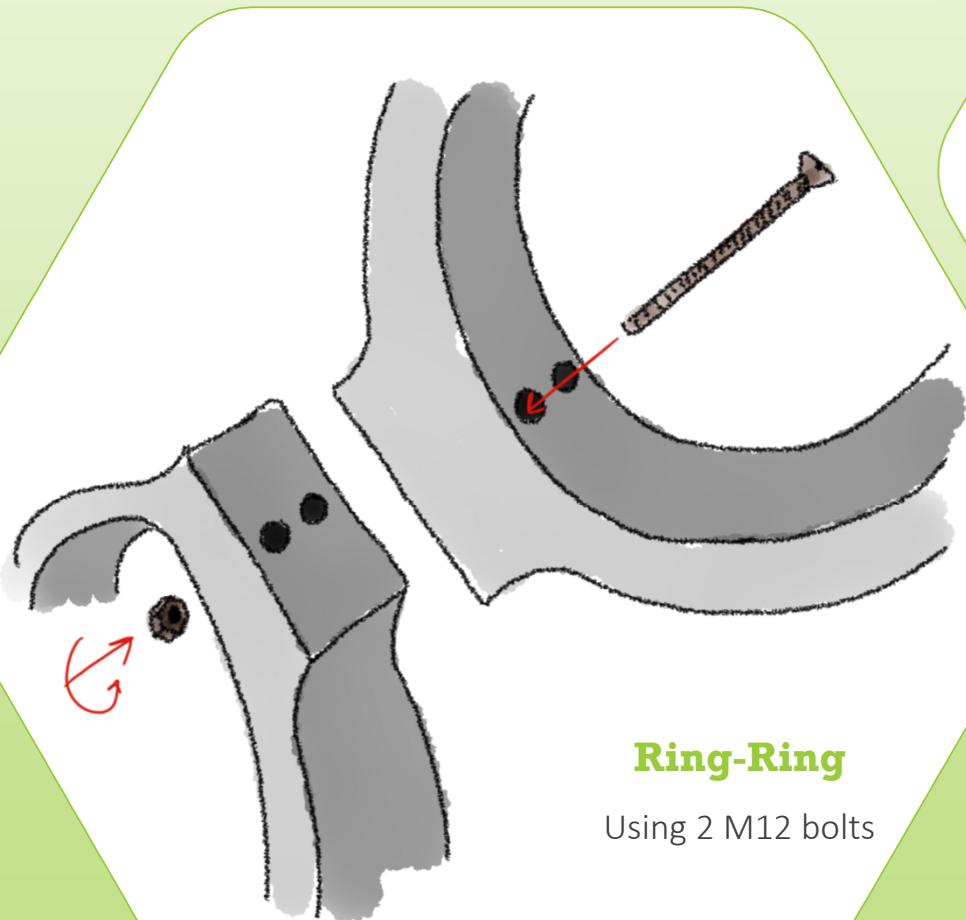
6 – Structural Calculations (Bottom rings)



6 – Structural Calculations (Top ring)

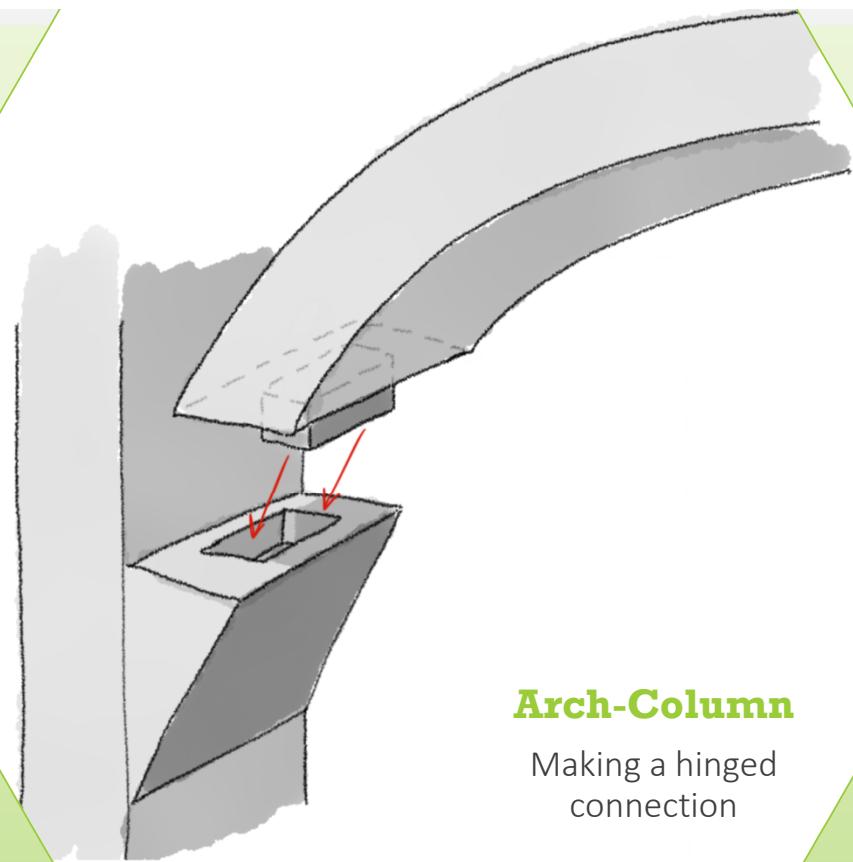


6 – Structural Connections



Ring-Ring

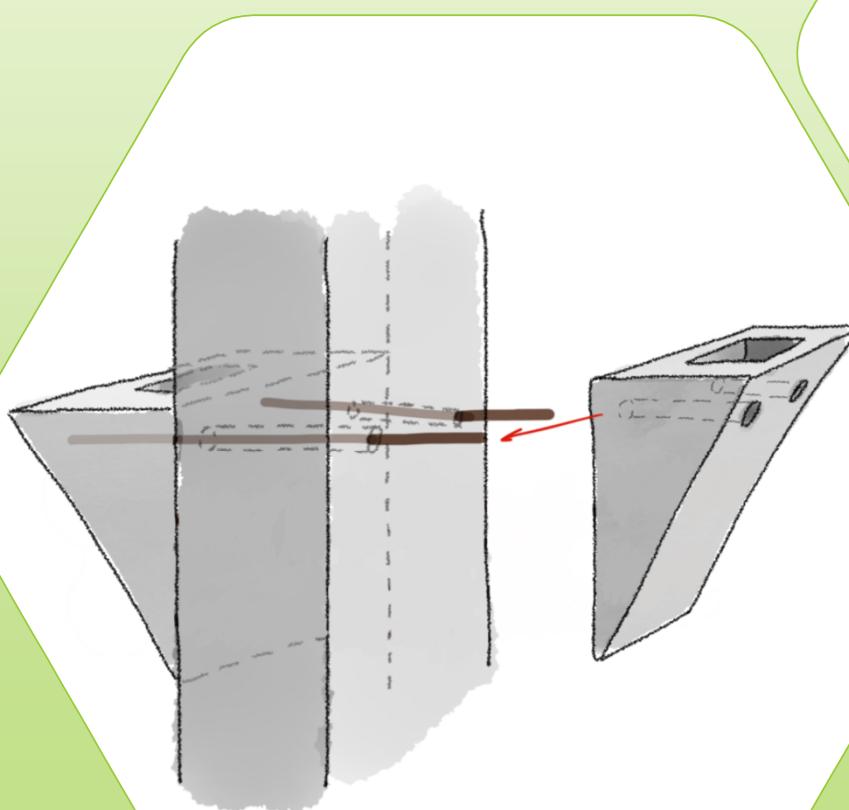
Using 2 M12 bolts



Arch-Column

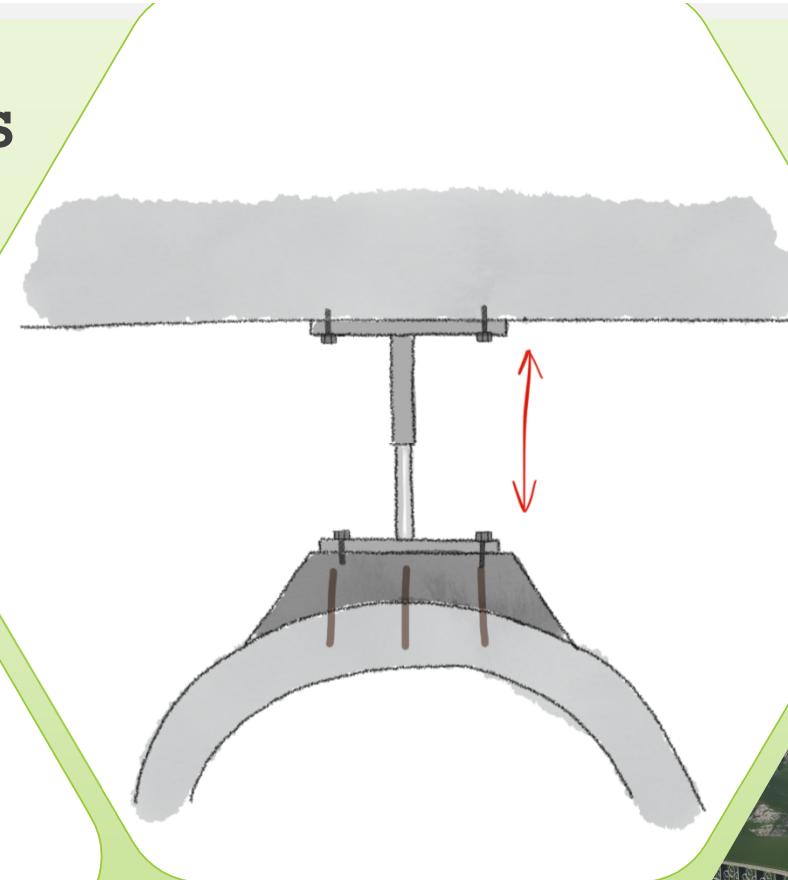
Making a hinged connection

6 – Structural Connections



Blister-Column

With 2 ø12 rebars

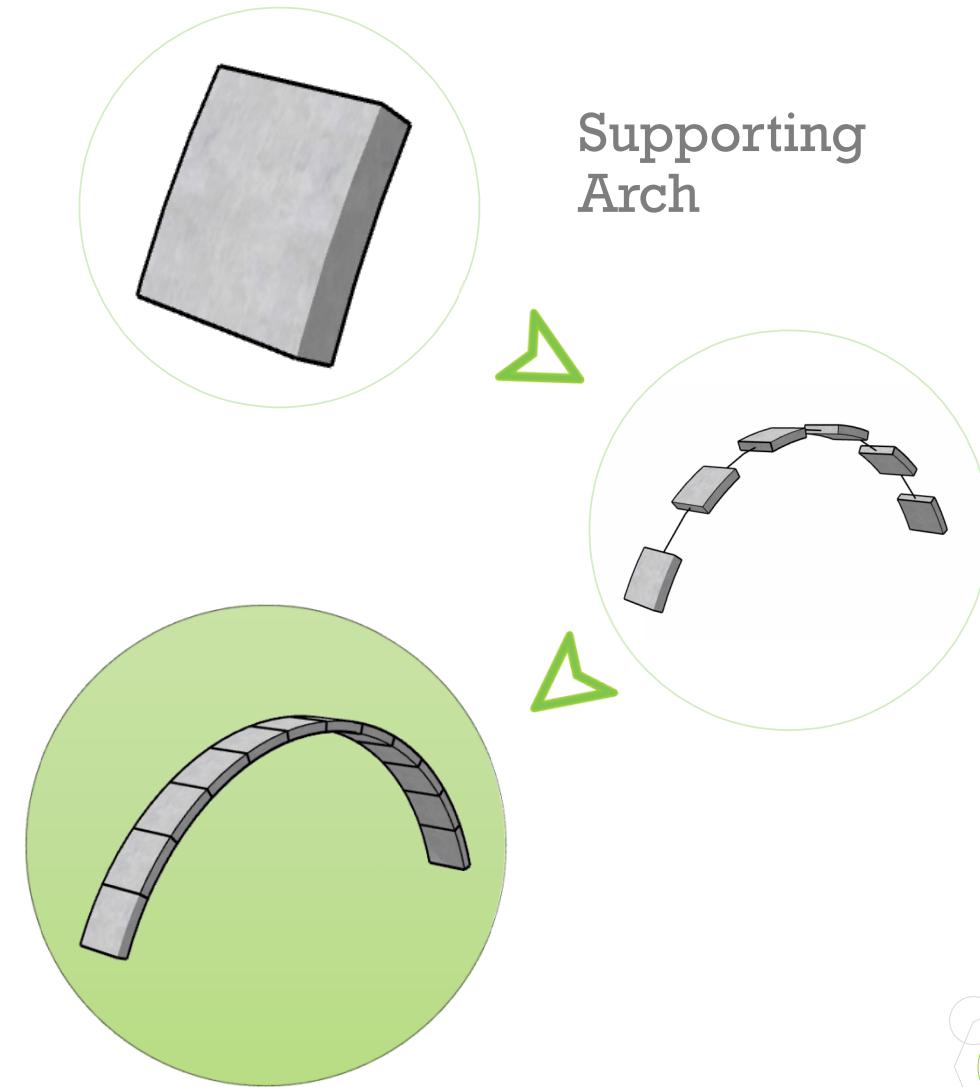
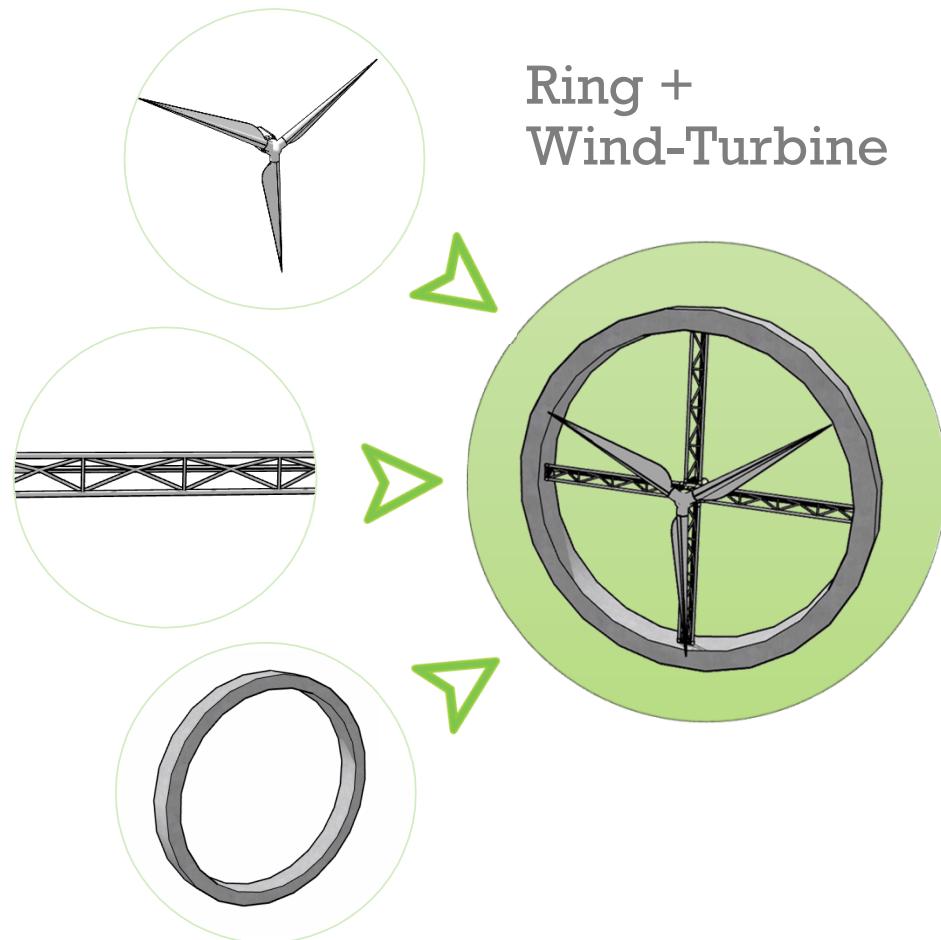


Ring-Deck

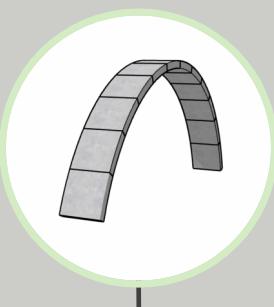
Transferring horizontal shear and allowing vertical deformations



7 – Component Assembly

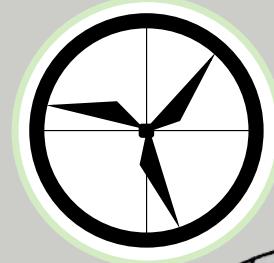


8 – Construction Process



Prefabrication 1

Prefabrication of the arches with pear chain technology



Prefabrication 2

Prefabrication of the rings incl. integrated wind turbines



Transportation

The prefabricated components can be transported from the factory to site on a train



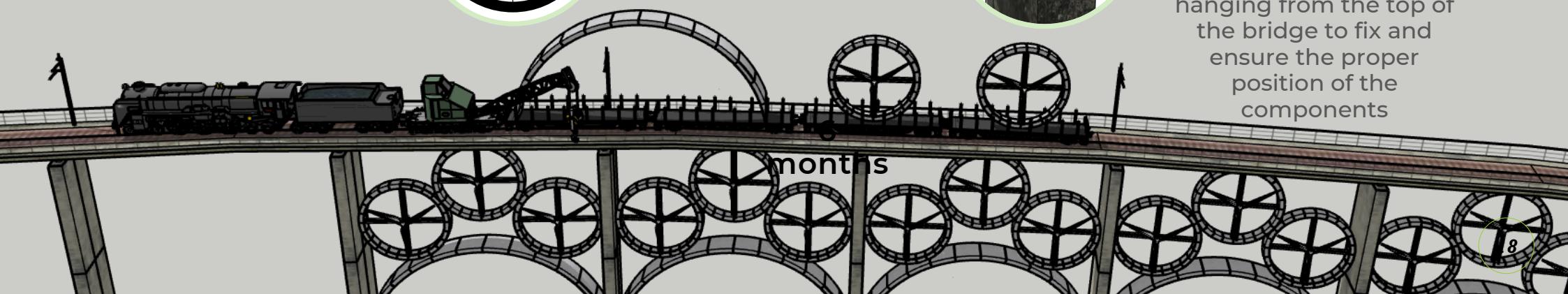
Bridge Preparation

Mounting the rings
on the bridge column



Assembly Process

In order to mount the structure under the bridge, a crane will be used, with workers hanging from the top of the bridge to fix and ensure the proper position of the components





A bridge spans a valley, supported by pillars featuring stylized circular patterns. The surrounding landscape includes palm trees and distant mountains under a sunset sky.

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Thank You

