



## **Dubai-I**

#### "Voor en Door Staalconstructeurs"

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## **KCI Company profile**

- Founded in 1987
- Main markets are
  - Oil & Gas
  - Renewables
  - Equipment
  - Wheels
- ISO 9001 certified
- FPAL registered no. 10049367
- Part of Oceanteam group

"It's our drive to create the best solutions for our customers assets"





### **Our Market Segments**

- Renewables / Offshore Wind
  - Substations (topsides & foundations)
  - WTG foundations
  - Cable lay solutions

#### Oil & Gas

- Field development
- Platforms, foundations & pipelines

#### Equipment

- Specialized equipment design for lifting, pipe & cable lay
- Transport & Installation Engineering
  - Transport and lay analyses
  - Procedures
- Wheels
  - Design & engineering of observation wheels

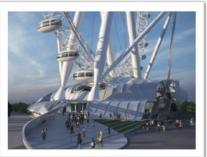
















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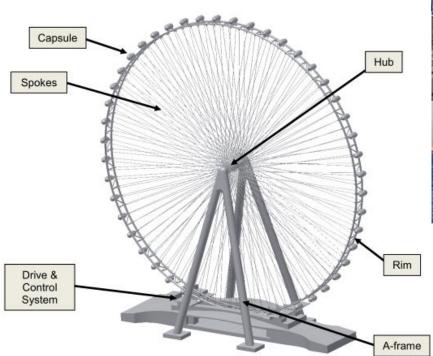






#### **General Project Info – Introduction**







#### Key Figures:

- Approx. 250m Top Elevation
- 137.5m Spindle Elevation
- 238m Rim Diameter
- 48 Capsules (40p. Capacity Each)
- 192 Spoke Cables
- 4 Towers with Drive & Guide Units
- Total Mass approx. 11,000mton

### **General Project Info – Project Location**













#### **General Project Info – Artist impressions**

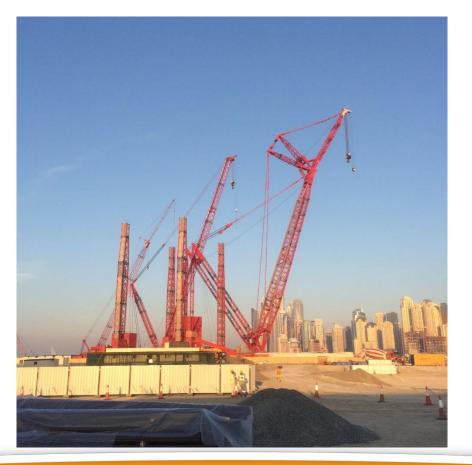




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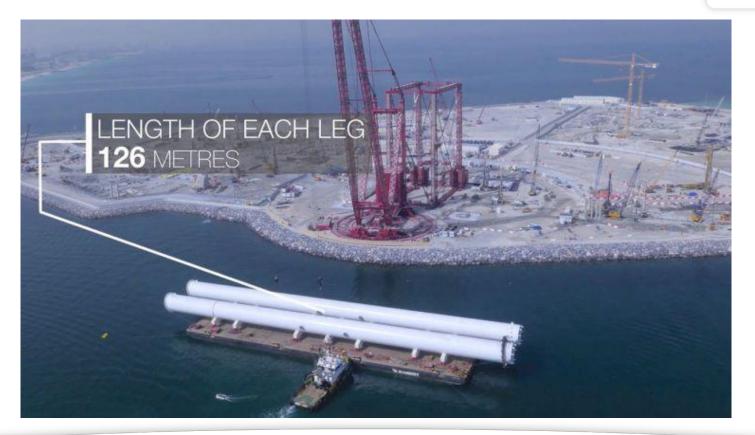
















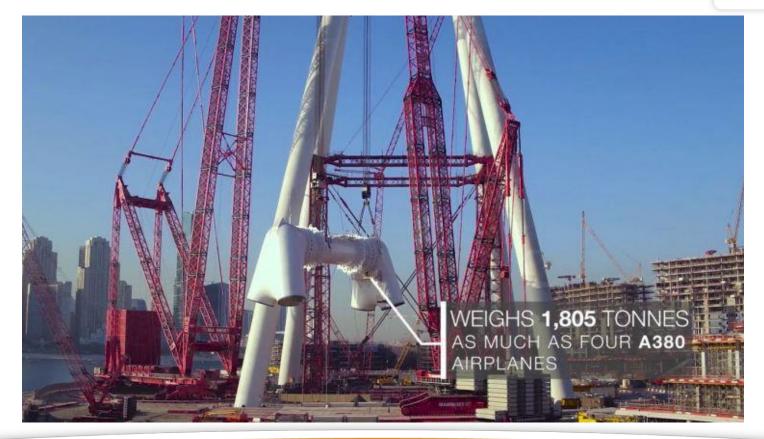
























## **Specific Engineering & Design Topics**



- Static Analyses Wind Load
- Dynamic Wind Response
- ANSYS Post-Processing Routines
- Static Wind Tunnel Tests
- Dynamic Wind Tunnel Tests
- Spectral Seismic Analyses
- Seismic Time-History Analyses
- Various Fatigue Analyses
- Various Detailed Analyses
- SCF Calculations
- Capsule Design
- Evacuation Strategy
- Guide/Drive Unit Design
- Storm Lock Design
- Collector Gear Design
- Temperature Effects
- Rim Pushover Analyses
- A-Frame Pushover Analyses
- A-Frame Footing Design
- Imperfections

- Installation Analyses
- Bearing Design
- Spoke Cable Design
- Cable Socket Design
- Bent Limiter Design
- Cable Damper Design
- Vortex Induced Vibrations
- Tuned Mass Dampers
- Bearing Replacement
- Bearing Pad Exchange
- Bearing Tests
- Foundation Stiffness Variation
- Various Sensitivity Studies
- Restraint Tower Stiffness
- Hub-Drive Design
- Boarding Platform Gap Analyses
- Cable Replacement Analyses
- Accidental Spoke Cable Snap
- ... Many More





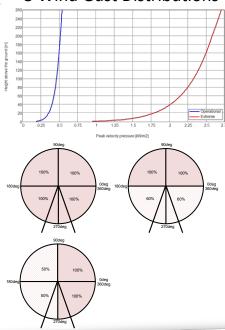
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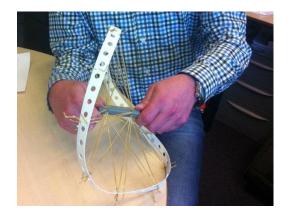


## **Static Analyses – Wind Load**

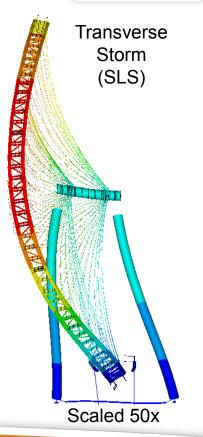
- Operational Wind Speed Limit
- Extreme Wind Speed Limit
- 5 Wind Directions
- 3 Wind Gust Distributions



- : **20m/s** (3s gust)
- : **45m/s** (3s gust)







## **Static Analyses – Monitored Parameters**



#### Monitored Results with User-Defined ANSYS routines:

- Cable Forces
- Member UC's
- Tubular Joint UC's
- Bearing Loads
- A-Frame Support Reactions
- Drive & Guide Forces
- Deflections
  - Spindle
  - A-Frame Foundations
  - Rim
  - Capsules at Boarding Platform

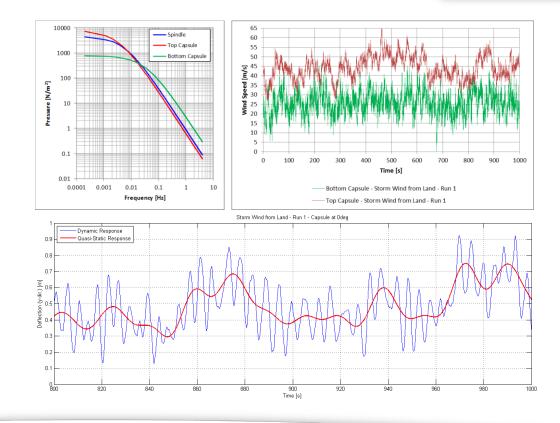


#### **Dynamic Wind Response**



#### Wind Response

- Time History Analysis
- DAF-factor
- Human Comfort





# **Fatigue Analyses**

## **Fatigue Analyses - Introduction**

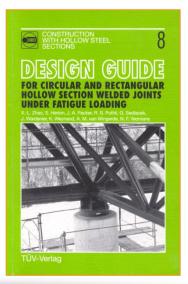
- Applied codes
- Fatigue loadings
- Applied methods
- Calculation examples
- Conclusions



#### **Fatigue Analyses – Applied codes**

- Eurocode 3 *BS EN 1993-1-9:2005*
- International Institute of Welding IIW document IIW-1823-07
- DG-8-CIDECT Design guide for circular and rectangular hollow sections welded joints under fatigue loading
- Several papers

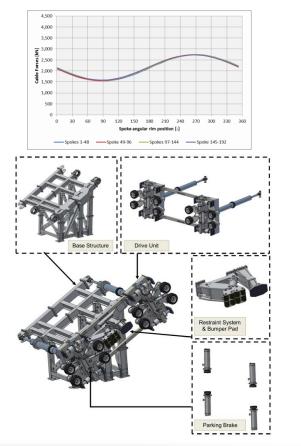




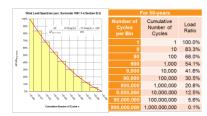


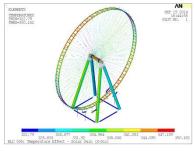
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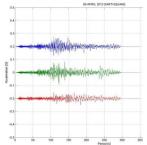
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- Interaction between rim drive box and drive and restraint system
- Wind effect
- Temperature effects
- Seismic acitivity







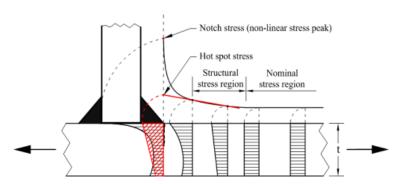


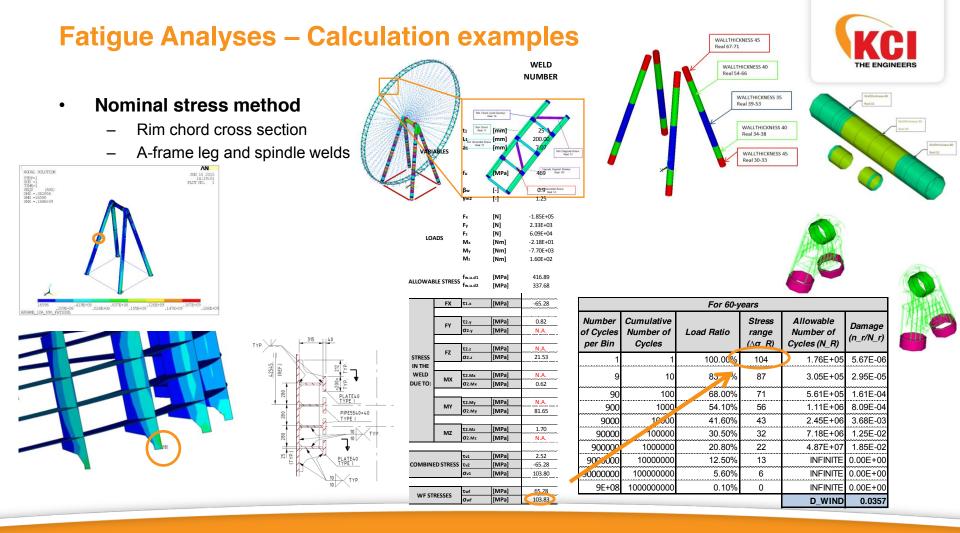


## **Fatigue Analyses – Applied methods**



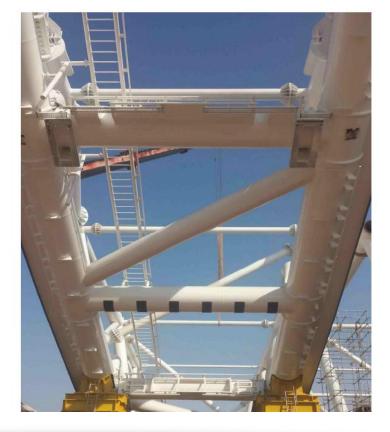
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- Hot spot stress method
- Notch stress method
- Fracture mechanics approach





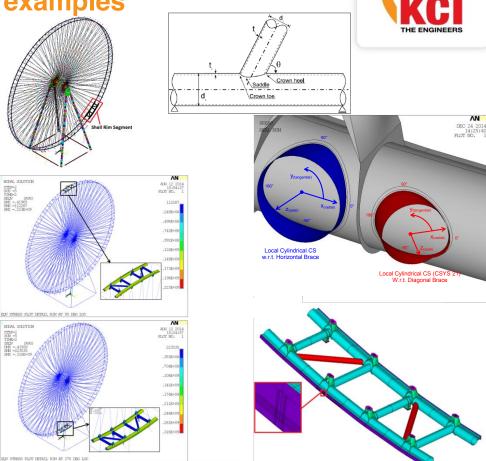


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#### Weld details in A-frame and Brace

- Fatigue due to a seismic event (time domain analysis)

STRESS IN WELD 2

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- Member loads are calculated (beam model)
- Hot spot stress signal over time

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500 Time (s)

BOTTOM OF LEG FORCES

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500 Time [s]

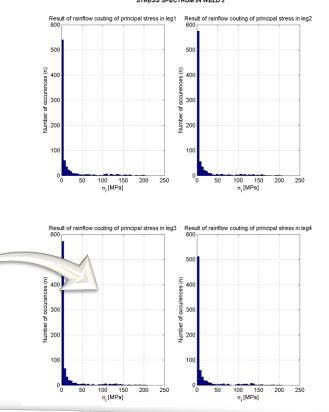
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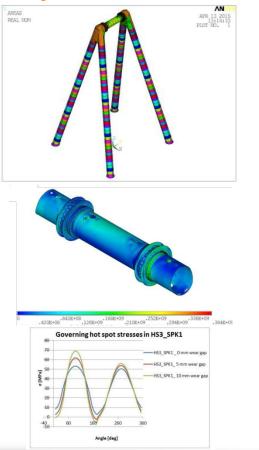
- Rainflow counting applied on the stress signal
- Miner rule for damage accumulation

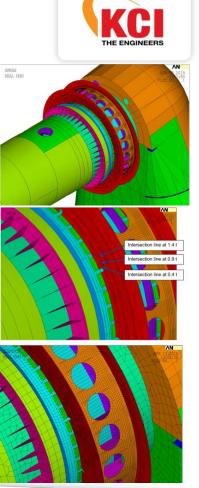
#### STRESS SPECTRUM IN WELD 2





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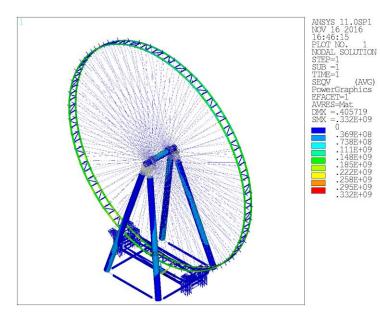
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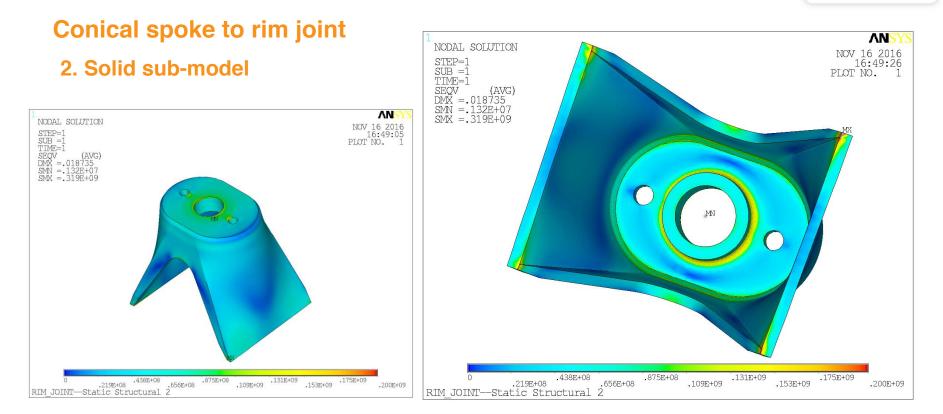
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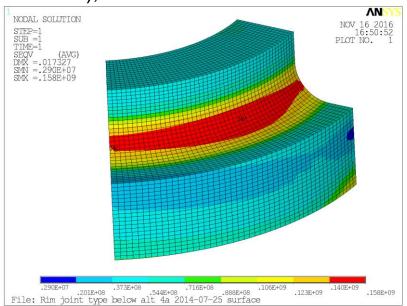




#### Conical spoke to rim joint

#### 3. Solid sub-sub-model

- Grinded weld is modeled (R=35mm), FAT 112 is used
- Principal stress is used







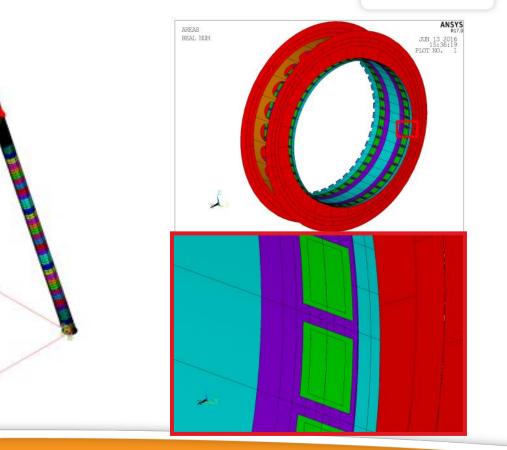
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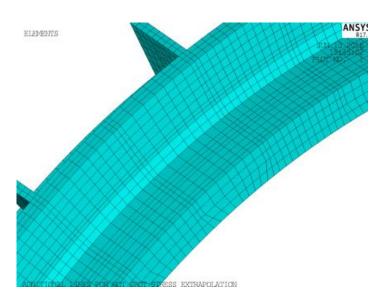
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1. Shell model



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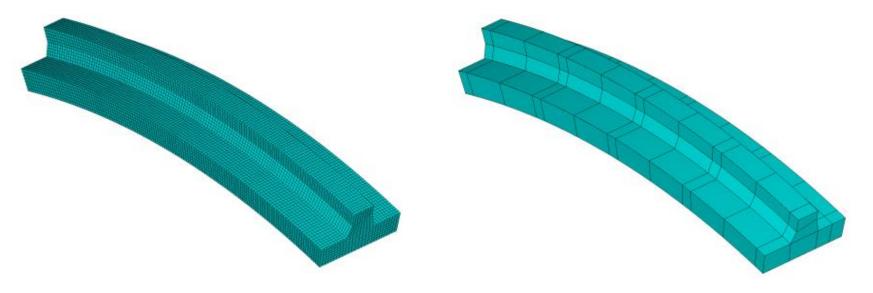
#### 2. Solid sub-model





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4. Solid sub-sub-model



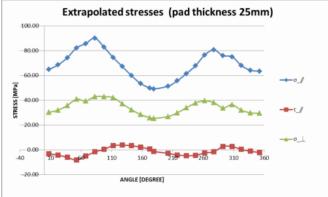


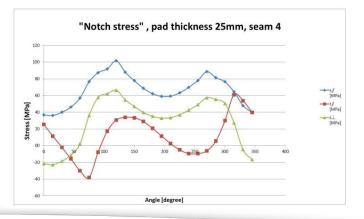


#### Weld details in rotating hubs

#### 5. Fatigue calculation

- Result of 2 typical weld details (as-welded)
- Result of 2 typical weld details (grinded)
- Which outcome is correct?





Weld detail	HSS / NSA (as-welded)	HSS / NSA (grinded)
1)	250	55
2)	32	10

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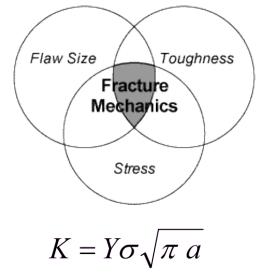
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- Fracture mechanics approach
  - Currently under consideration





## **Fatigue Analyses – Conclusions**



#### Nominal stress approach

- Easy to use in beam/tubular structures
- Relative quick lifetime estimation for standard weld details
- Hot spot stress approach
  - Predict fatigue in geometric complex structures
  - Fatigue predictions in (relative) thin walled structures
  - Be carrefull while using this method in very thick walled structures

#### Notch stress approach

- Can be used at machined weld details
- Can be used for non-categorized weld details





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