



Operating Jumbo Cranes on Existing Wharves

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Purpose

Many ports have older, existing wharves, but need newer/larger cranes to operate the larger ships

Wharf modification is expensive

Ports should investigate using new technology to re-rate the wharf prior to committing money to upgrade



Overview:

Section 1: Operator's Perspective

Section 2: History of Crane Loads on Wharves

Section 3: Wharf Load Factors

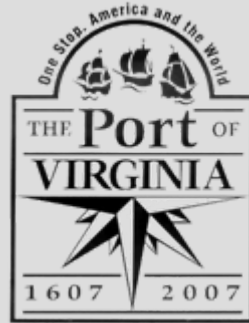
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Section 5: Reassessing the Rated Capacity of Existing Wharves

Section 6: Other Considerations

Section One: Owner's Perspective

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The Port of Virginia

The Virginia Port Authority (VPA)

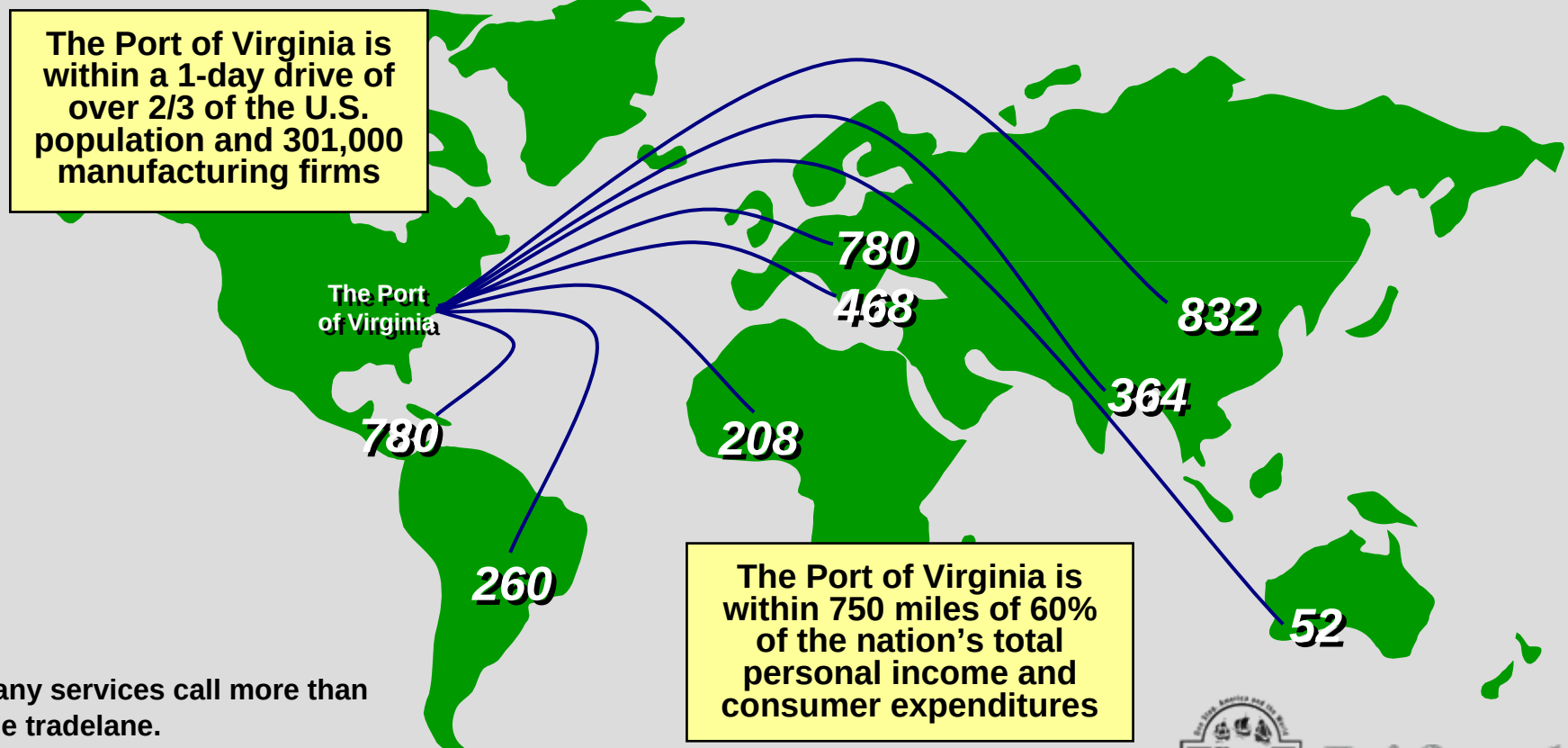
- An Agency of the Commonwealth of Virginia

Virginia International Terminals (VIT)

- A Virginia Non-Stock, Non-Profit Operating Affiliate of the Virginia Port Authority
- Operates the Terminals Owned by the Commonwealth

The Port of Virginia

The Port of Virginia offers world-class shipping facilities and is served by more than 75 steamship lines with sailings to over 250 ports in 100 overseas locations.



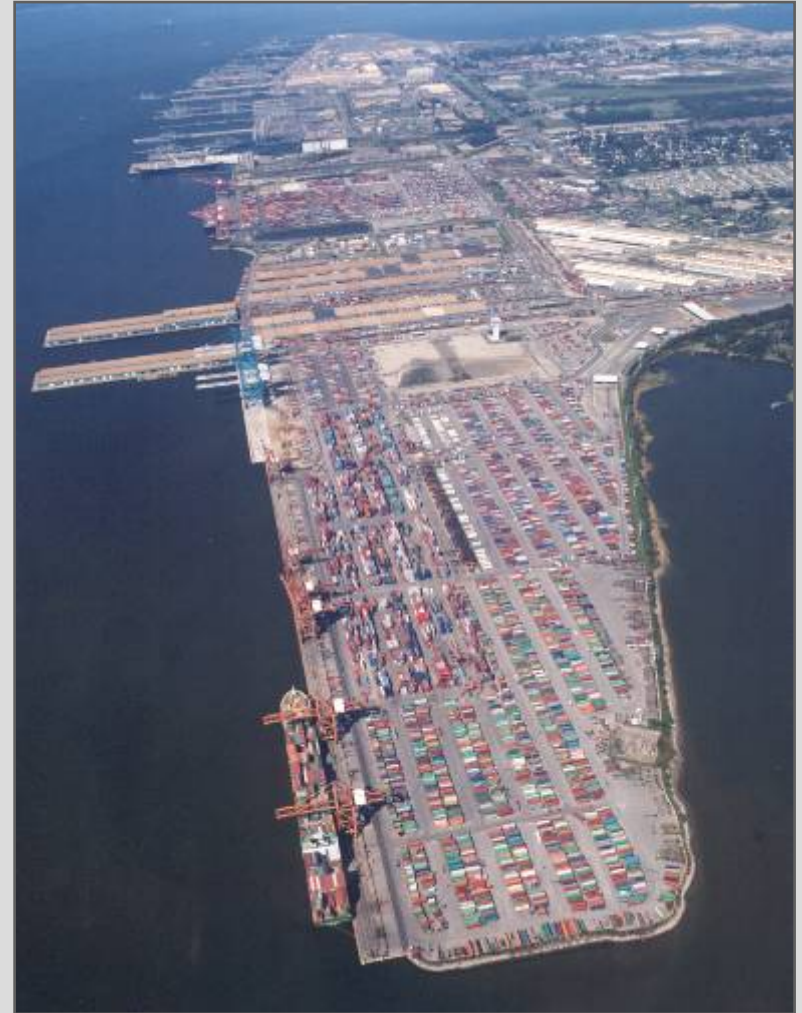
The Port of Virginia

The Port of Virginia is Currently Ranked:

- 8th Largest Container Port in the U.S.
- 3rd Largest Container Port on the East Coast

In the Year 2003 The Port of Virginia Handled:

- 1.65 Million TEUs of Containerized Cargo
- Combined Value of \$28 Billion



The Port of Virginia



Virginia Inland Port (VIP)
Front Royal, VA



Norfolk International Terminals (NIT)
Norfolk, VA



**Newport News
Marine Terminal (NNMT)**
Newport News, VA



Portsmouth Marine Terminal (PMT)
Portsmouth, VA



The Port of Virginia

- Three Marine Terminals Constructed Over Time
- Terminals Were Constructed by Various Agencies
- Some Structures Date Back to 1918
- Many of the Existing Container Cranes are First and Second Generation (13 Containers Wide)

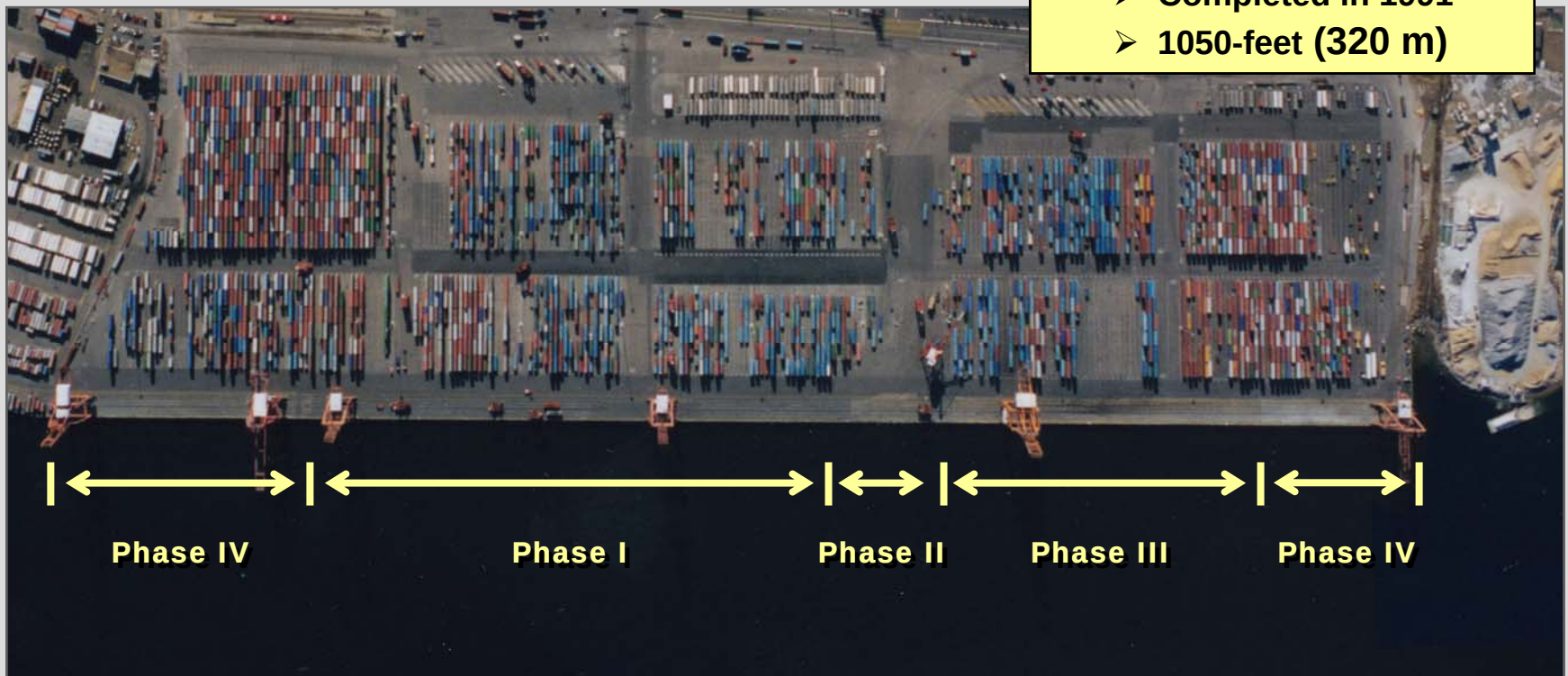


Portsmouth Marine Terminal

Wharf Structure

Phase IV

- Completed in 1991
- 1050-feet (320 m)



Portsmouth Marine Terminal

PMT Cranes are all 50-ft (15.2-m) Gage

Crane #1

- Purchased in 1967
- 16 Containers Wide
- Operating Wheel Loads (kips/ft)
LS: 21
WS: 21

Crane #3

- Purchased in 1970
- 13 Containers Wide
- Operating Wheel Loads (kips/ft)
LS: 14
WS: 16

Crane #4

- Purchased in 1971
- 13 Containers Wide
- Operating Wheel Loads (kips/ft)
LS: 16
WS: 16

Crane #5

- Purchased in 1987
- 15 Containers Wide
- Operating Wheel Loads (kips/ft)
LS: 19
WS: 19

Crane #6

- Purchased in 1967
- 13 Containers Wide
- Operating Wheel Loads (kips/ft)
LS: 12
WS: 14

Crane #2

- Purchased in 1997
- 16 Containers Wide
- Operating Wheel Loads (kips/ft)
LS: 17
WS: 21

Note:
 $20 \text{ kips/ft} \approx 30 \text{ t/m}$



Newport News Marine Terminal

VPA Acquired NNMT in 1971.

Pier B

- Completed in 1967

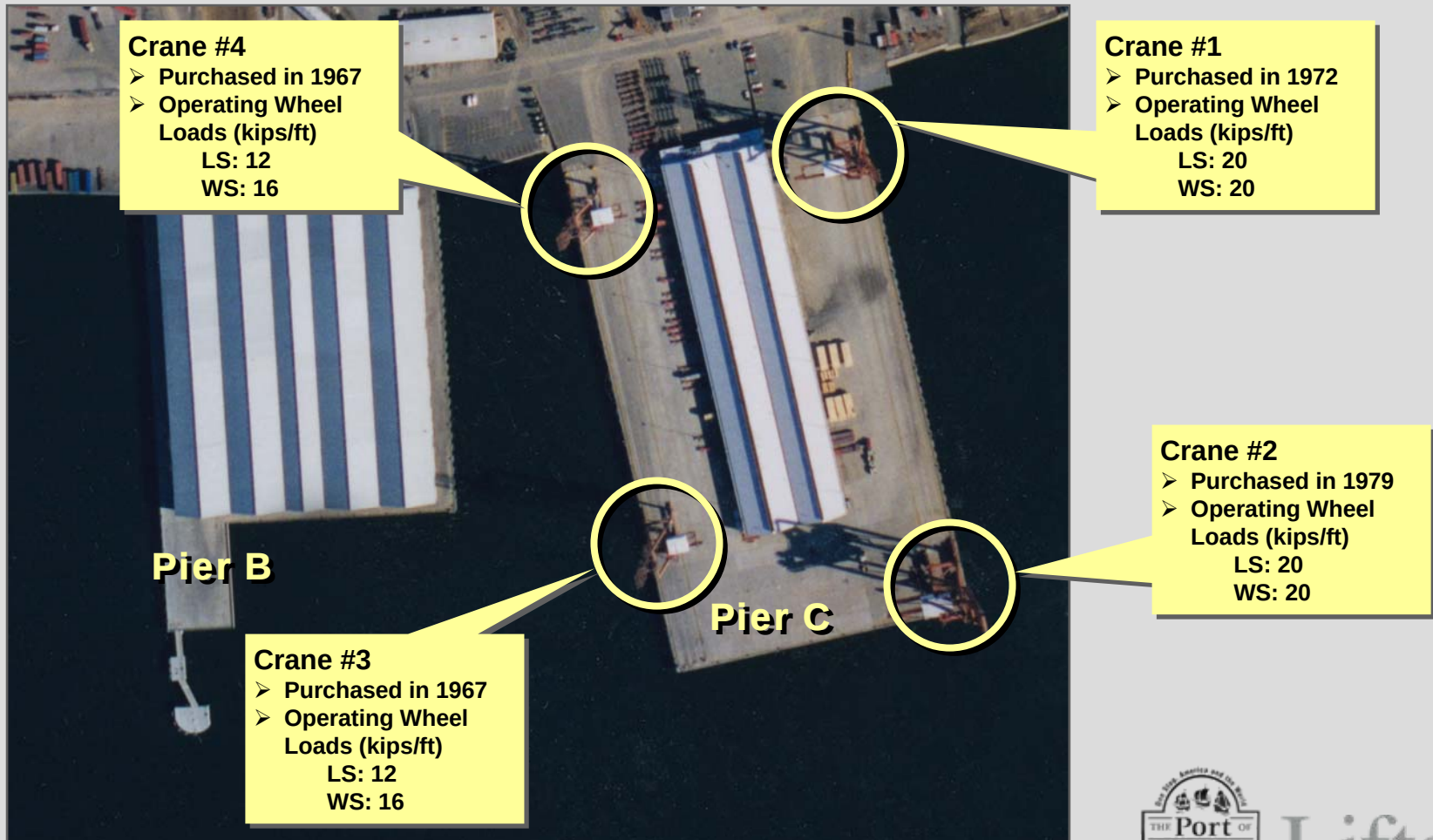
Pier C

- Completed in 1982



Newport News Marine Terminal

NNMT Cranes are All 50-ft Gage, 13 Container Outreach



Norfolk International Terminals

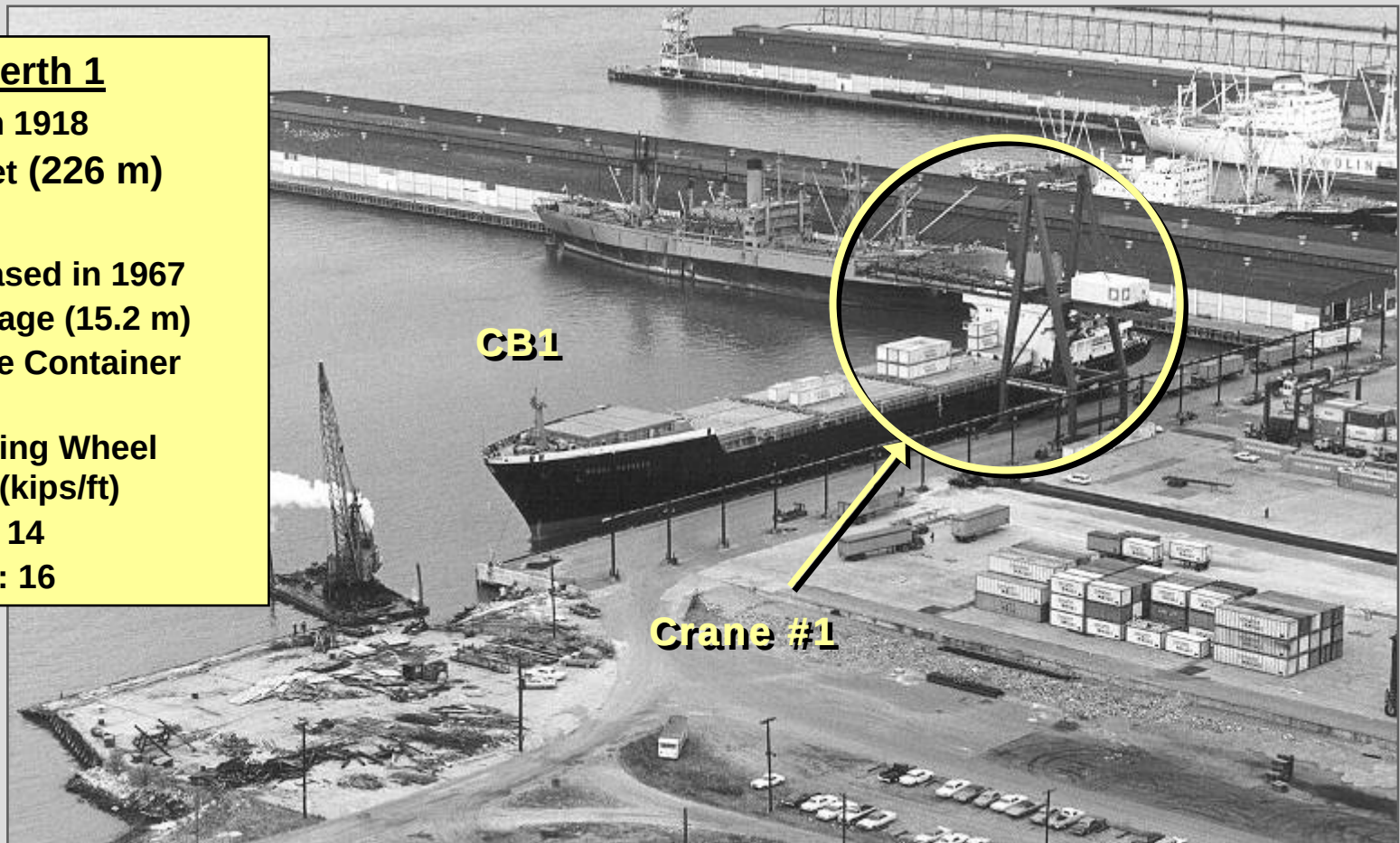
NIT Container Terminal Opened in 1967

Container Berth 1

- Built in 1918
- 740-feet (226 m)

Crane #1

- Purchased in 1967
- 50-ft Gage (15.2 m)
- 13-wide Container Reach
- Operating Wheel Loads (kips/ft)
 - LS: 14
 - WS: 16



Norfolk International Terminals

Terminal & Wharf Expansion in 1969

Cranes #2 & #3

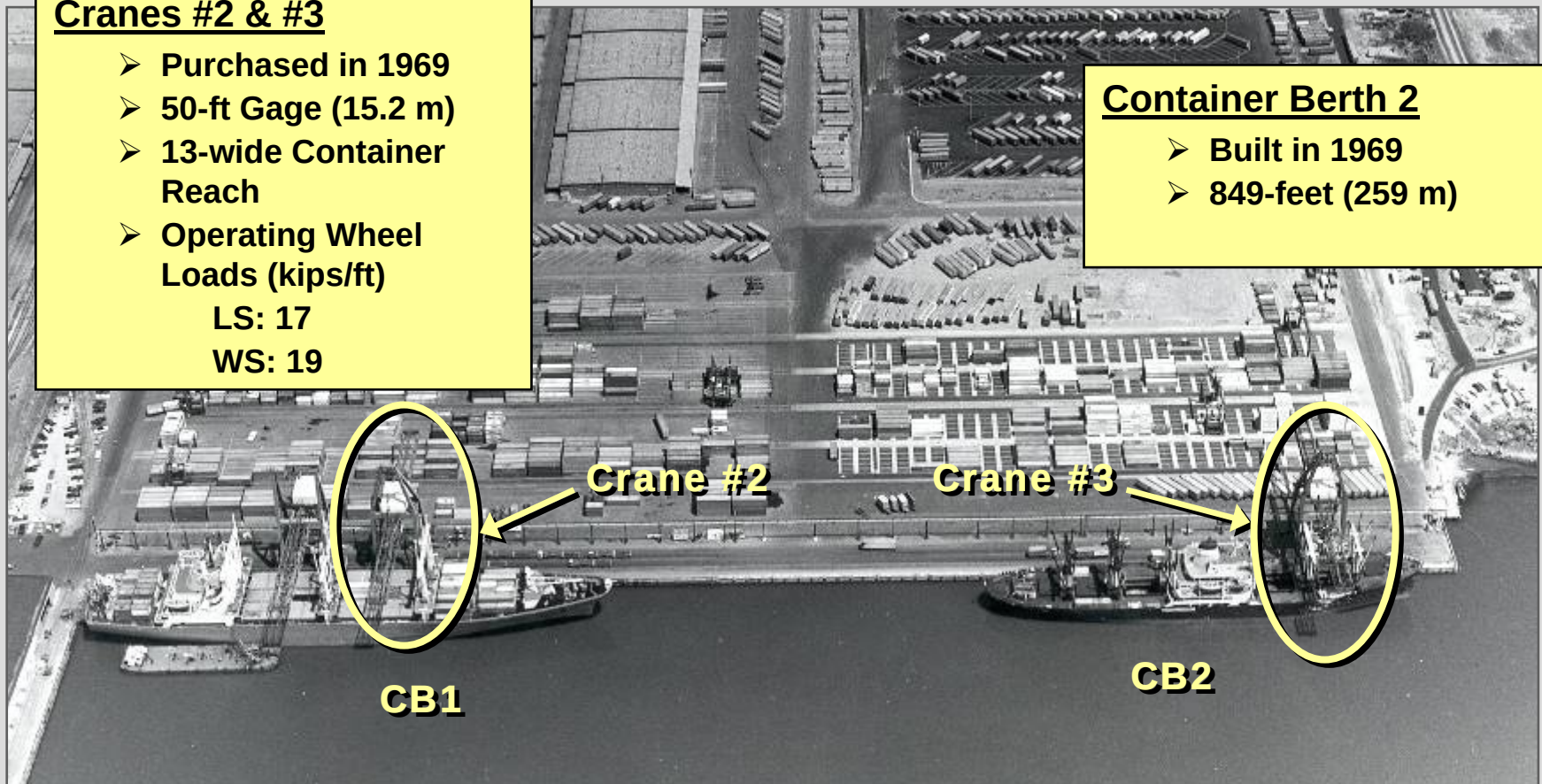
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- 50-ft Gage (15.2 m)
- 13-wide Container Reach
- Operating Wheel Loads (kips/ft)

LS: 17

WS: 19

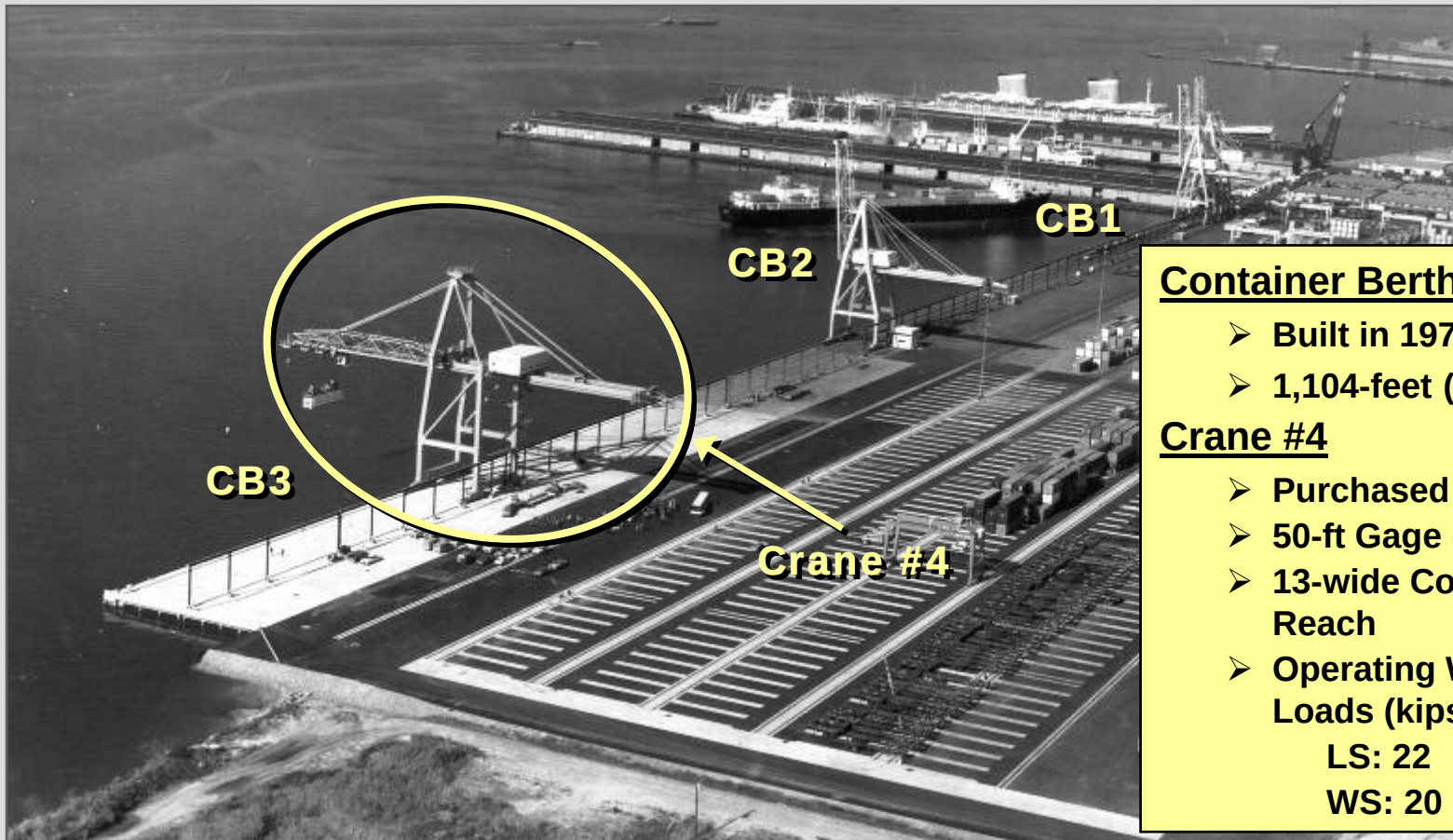
Container Berth 2

- Built in 1969
- 849-feet (259 m)



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Terminal & Wharf Expansion in 1975 & 1978



Container Berth 3

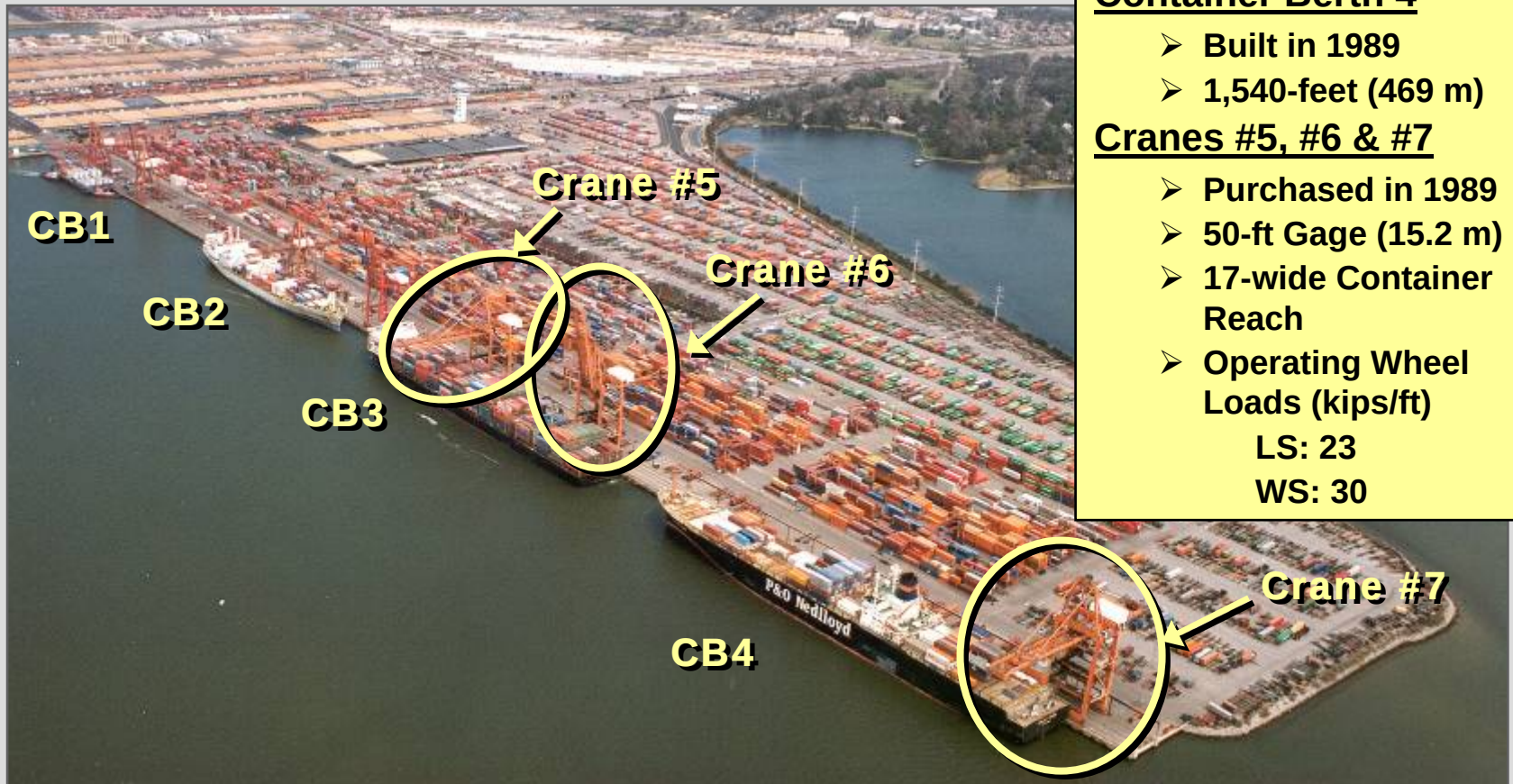
- Built in 1978
- 1,104-feet (336 m)

Crane #4

- Purchased in 1978
- 50-ft Gage (15.2 m)
- 13-wide Container Reach
- Operating Wheel Loads (kips/ft)
 - LS: 22
 - WS: 20

Norfolk International Terminals

Terminal & Wharf Expansion in 1989



Norfolk International Terminals

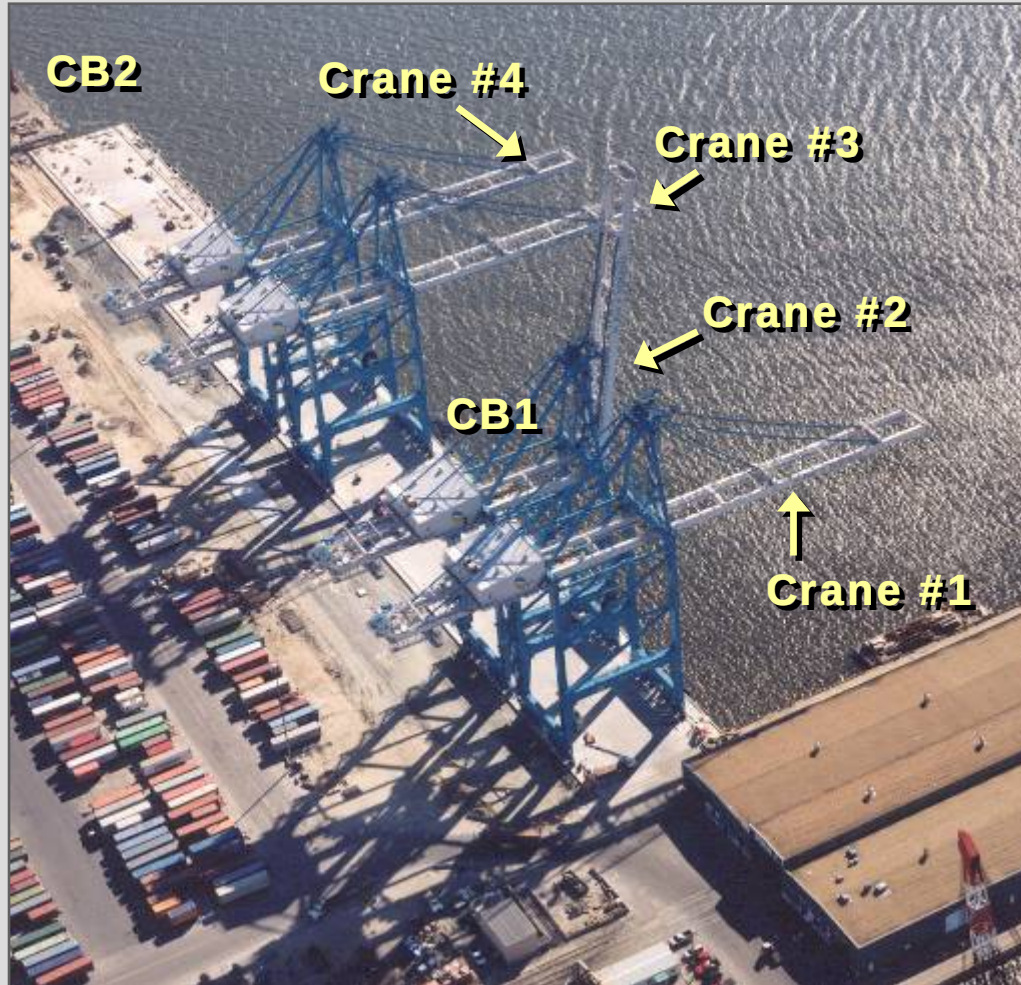
South Terminal Renovations

- Significant Portions of the Existing Wharf Are Structurally Obsolete & Require Replacement
- All Existing Berths Are Functionally Obsolete and Require Renovation
 - ⊕ Wharf Cannot Support Higher Loads of Modern Container Handling Equipment
 - ⊕ Wharf Cannot Support Modern Container Cranes, 100-ft (30.5 m) Gage
 - ⊕ Wharf Cannot Provide Deep Water Berths Required for Modern Container Ships



Norfolk International Terminals

Terminal & Wharf Renovation in 2003



New Container Berth 1

- Built in 2003
- 1,308-feet (399 m)

New Cranes #1, #2, #3 & #4

- Purchased in 2003
- 100-ft Gage (30.5 m)
- 26-wide Container Reach
- Operating Wheel Loads (kips/ft)

LS: 50

WS: 50

Norfolk International Terminals

Continuing Wharf Reconstruction 2004



The Port of Virginia

- Wharf and Cranes at NIT South Required Complete Replacement
- PMT and NNMT Require Modern Cranes
 - ⊕ Greater Outreach
 - ⊕ Faster Speeds
 - ⊕ Higher Loads
- Older Cranes Have Wheel Loads of 12 to 30 kips/ft
- Newer Cranes Have Wheel Loads of 25 to 50 kips/ft
- Need to Accommodate Modern Cranes on Existing Structures



Section Two: History of Crane Loads on Wharves

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Ship Evolution

Ship	Containers Rows	Minimum Crane Outreach* (m)
Panamax	13	38
Post-Panamax	16	46
Maersk	17	48.5
Standard Suez-max	19	54
Malacca-max	24	66

*Based on:

6-m, setback

1-degree list

Crane Evolution

(1960 to Present)

Paceco-First Container Crane (1960)

Europeans (Early 1960's)

Japanese (Late 1960's)

Repeated with:

- Koreans (1970's)

- Others

- Chinese (1990's)

Service Wheel Loads

Operating Condition (OP)

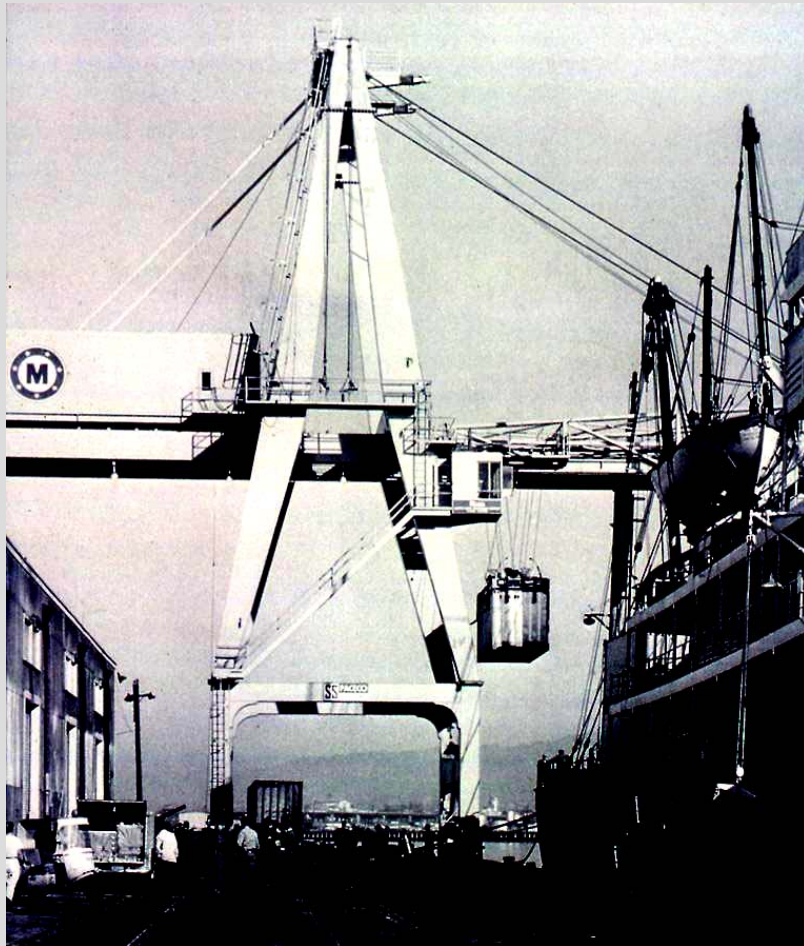
Dead Load + Trolley Load + Lift System + Rated Load +
 $0.5 \times \text{Impact}$ + Operating Wind Load

Storm Condition (ST)

Dead Load + Trolley Load + Lift System + Storm Wind
Load

First Container Crane

(1960) Paceco Cranes for Matson Navigation



* Note: 6 wheels / corner

Gage 10.4 m

Outreach 23.8 m

Lift Height 17.8 m

Capacity 22.7 t

Weight 290 t

Service Wheel Loads*
(t/wheel)

	OP	ST
Landside:	11	14
Waterside	12	11
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Paceco SL7 (1964)



* Note: 6 wheels / corner

Gage 15.24 m

Outreach 33 m

Lift Height 24 m

Capacity 30.5 t

Weight 490 t

Service Wheel Loads*
(t/wheel)

	OP	ST
Landside:	30	38
Waterside:	40	31

Paceco Panamax Modified A-Frame (1970)



* Note: 6 wheels / corner

Gage 30.48 m

Outreach 35 m

Lift Height 25 m

Capacity 40.6 t

Weight 580 t

Service Wheel Loads
(t/wheel)

OP ST

Landside: 34 43

Waterside: 41 46

Low Profile Cranes (1970s)



* Note: 6 Wheels / corner landside
8 Wheels / corner waterside

Gage 30.48 m

Outreach 35.2 m

Lift Height 2730 m

Capacity 40.6 t

Weight 550 t

Service Wheel Loads*
(t/wheel)

OP ST

Landside: 49 39

Waterside 43 17

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Post-Panamax Series (mid-1980s to early 1990s)



* Note: 8 Wheels / corner

Gage	30.48
	m
Outreach	44.2 m
Lift Height	29 m
Capacity	40.6 t
Weight	910 t
Service Wheel Loads*	
(t/wheel)	

	OP	ST
Landside:	45	54
Waterside	47	45

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Post-Panamax Low Profile Crane

Port Everglades (1991)



* Note: 8 Wheels / corner

Gage 30.48 m

Outreach 44.4 m

Lift Height 32.3 m

Capacity 40.6 t

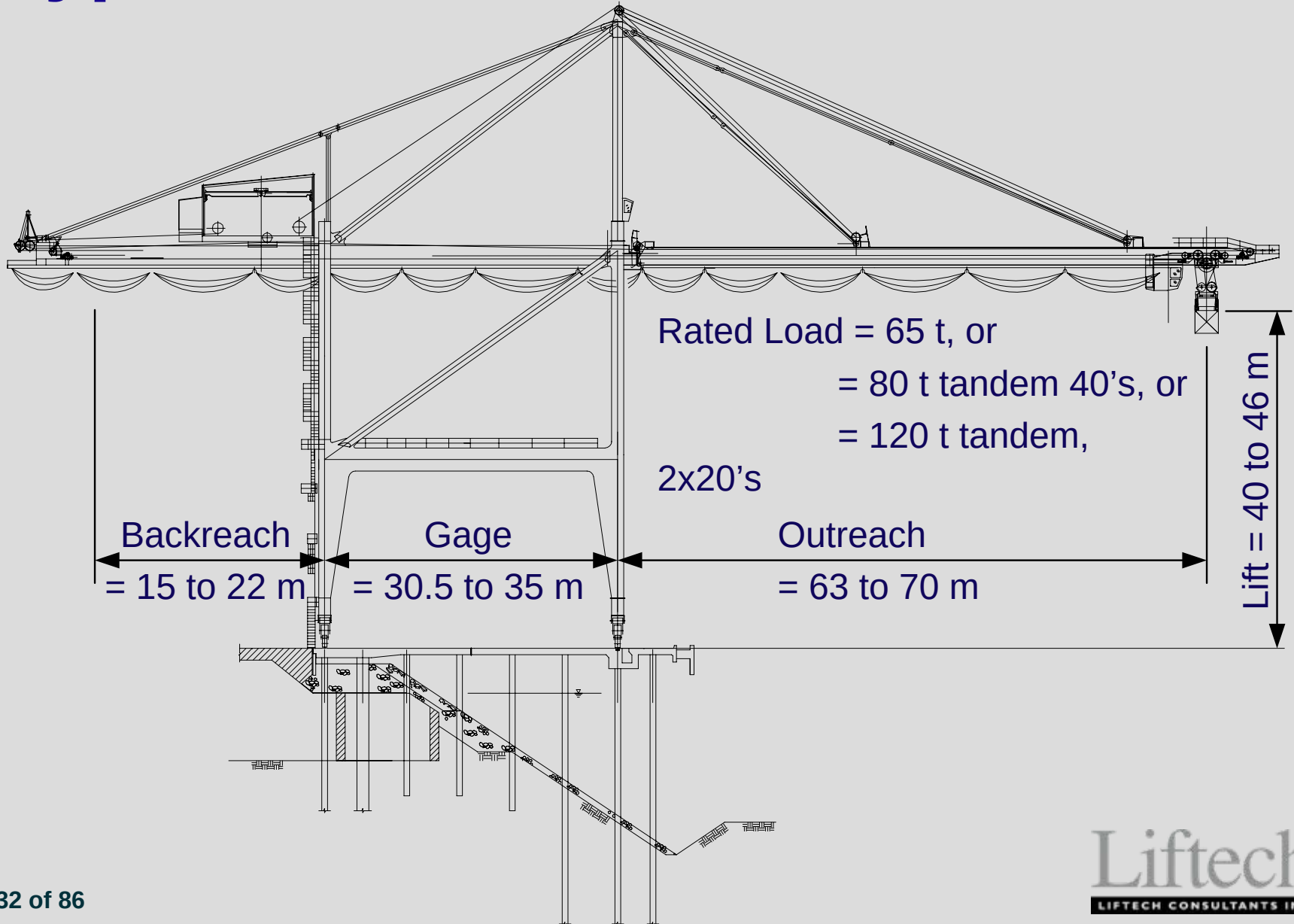
Weight 1270 t

Service Wheel Loads*
(t/wheel)

	OP	ST
Landside:	61	121
Waterside	111	83

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Typical Jumbo Crane



Suezmax Cranes

Virginia Port Authority North (1998)



Notes:

* 8 Wheels / corner

** Boom stows at 19 deg

Gage	30.48
Outreach	m 61.3 m
Lift Height	36.6 m
Capacity	50.8 t
Weight	1110 t
Service Wheel Loads* (t/wheel)	

	OP	ST**
Landside:	42	79
Waterside	79	110

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Malaccamax Cranes

Virginia International Terminals South (2003)



* Note: 8 Wheels / corner

Gage	30.48 m
Outreach	70.5 m
Capacity	50.8 t @ 70.5 m
Lift Height	66.0 t @ 63.5 m
Weight	1590 t
Service Wheel Loads* (t/wheel)	

	OP	ST
LS:	73	120
WS:	95	124

Future Jumbo Cranes?



Gage	30 to 40 m	
Outreach	73 to 75 m	
Lift Height	46+ m	
Capacity	80 to 120 t	
Weight	2,000+ t	
Service Wheel Loads (t/wheel)	OP	ST
Landside:	90	140
Waterside:	110	150

Malaccamax Crane & Statue of Liberty



Crane Comparison:

1st Container Crane & Malaccamax Crane



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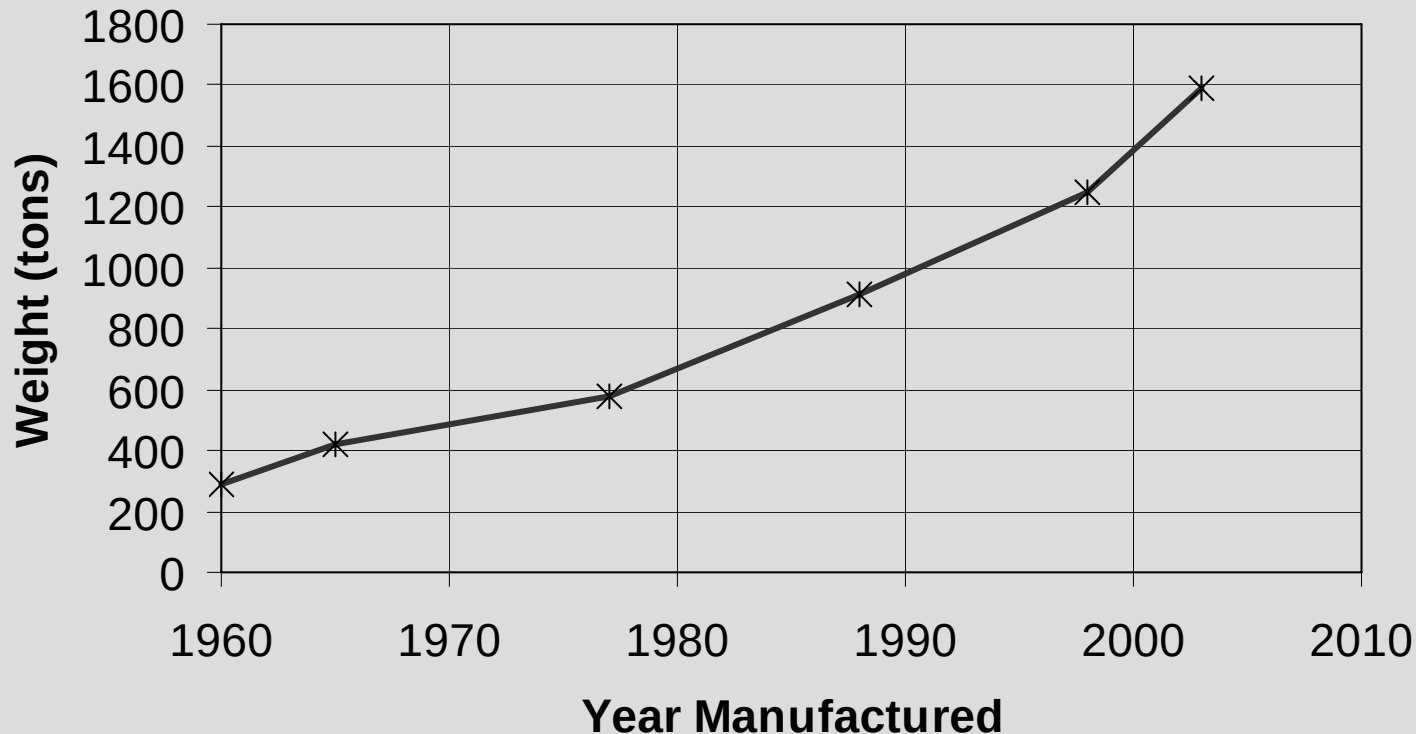
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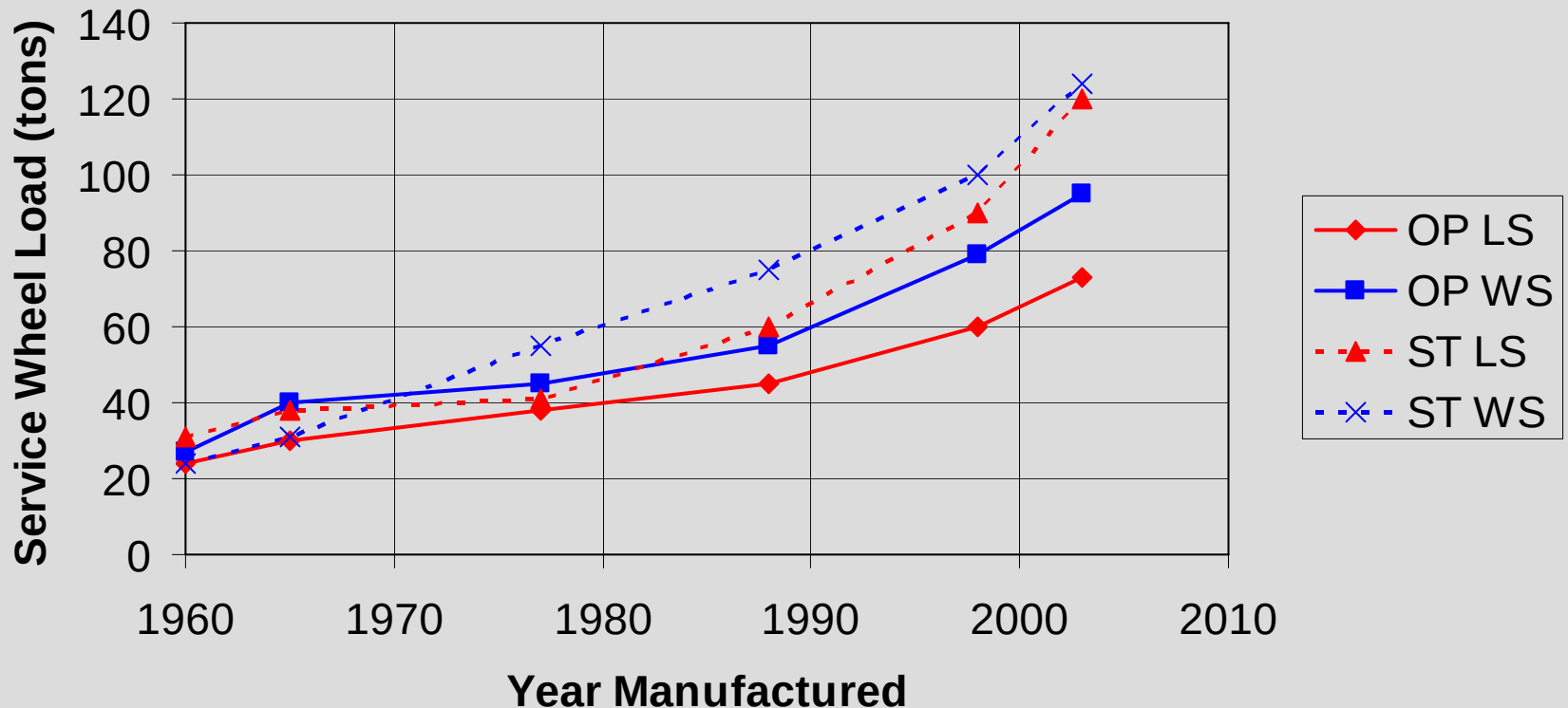
Crane Weight Evolution

Crane Weight vs Year Manufactured



Crane Service Wheel Loads

Crane Service Wheel Load vs Year Manufactured



Other Reasons for Wheel Load Increases

Crane modifications

Twin and tandem lifts

Dual hoist

Wind loads

Crane Modifications

Modifications can increase weight & wheel loads

Typical modifications:

- Increase lift height

- Increase outreach

- Change gage

- Increase lifted load

Modification Options

Geometry Changes

Increasing lift height, Port of Long Beach



Increased wind-induced wheel loads

Increased tie-down loads

Slightly increased dead load

No significant increases in operating loads

Modification Options

Geometry Changes

Increased outreach



Increased
operating wheel
loads

Slightly increased
wind-induced
wheel loads

Slightly increased
tie-down loads

Slightly increased
dead load
Boom addition

Modification Options

Geometry Changes

Rail gage change



Note: Modified from wider gage, shown in red

Redistribution of dead load (from WS to LS)

Redistribution of moving loads

Increased tie-down loads

Twin ...



... & Tandem Lifts



Dual Hoist



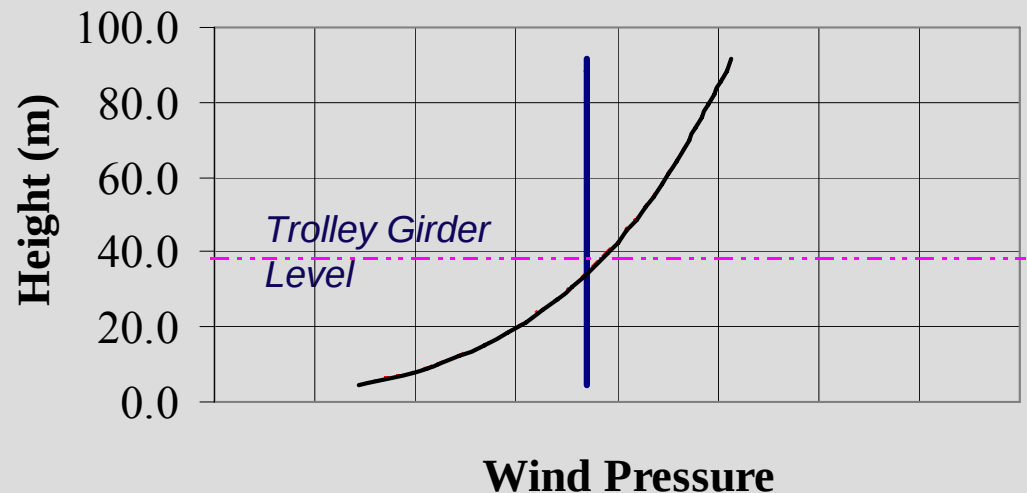
Storm Wind Loads

Older cranes designed to a constant wind pressure for the full height of the crane

Actual wind pressure varies with height

Wind speed mean recurrence interval (MRI) should be considered for structure and tiedowns

Wind Velocity Pressure vs. Height



Storm Wind Speed:

MRI & Probability of Exceeding

May want to reassess stowage hardware for older cranes, based on recent knowledge

Recommend:

50-yr MRI for crane structure

200-yr MRI for tiedowns

MRI (yrs)	Probability of Excedence (%):		
	1 yr	25 yrs	50 yrs
25	4	64	87
50	2	40	64
200	0.5	12	22



Section Three: Wharf Load Factors: One Perspective

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Factors Influencing Probability of Collapse

Taken from “Ultimate Load Analysis of Reinforced and Prestressed Concrete Structures,” by L. L. Jones:

Applied Load Factor = $X * Y$, where

X = factors influencing probability of collapse

Y = factors influencing seriousness of the results of collapse

Factors Influencing Probability of Collapse

Group X:

- A. Workmanship (inspection, maintenance, materials)
- B. Loading (control of use)
- C. Accuracy of analysis (type of structure)

Note: Group X factors vary from 1.1 to 3.95

Source: “Ultimate Load Analysis of Reinforced and Prestressed Concrete Structures” by L. L. Jones

Factors Influencing Seriousness of the Results of Collapse

Group Y:

D. Danger to personnel

E. Economic considerations

Note: Group Y factors vary from 1.0 to 1.6

Source: “Ultimate Load Analysis of Reinforced and Prestressed Concrete Structures” by L. L. Jones

Example: Combining Factors

Ultimate Load Factor = $X * Y$

A. Good workmanship	}	$X = 1.3$
B. Very good loading definition		
C. Very good analysis		
D. Not serious danger to personnel	}	$Y = 1.2$
E. Very serious economic loss		

Ultimate Load Factor = $1.3 * 1.2 = 1.56$

Source: “Ultimate Load Analysis of Reinforced and Prestressed Concrete Structures” by L. L. Jones

Assessment of Factors

Depending on Engineer's assessment of the A to E factors, the Load Factor can vary.

Load factors can vary from:

low of 1.1 ($= 1.0 \times 1.1$)

high of 6.31 ($= 3.95 \times 1.6$)

typically ≤ 1.6

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Section Four: History of Wharf Rated Capacities

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Working Stress Design

Service Loads Before 1963



Ultimate Load Design

ACI 318

U.S. Standard for
Concrete Design

ACI 318-02
ACI 318R-02

**Building Code Requirements for
Structural Concrete (ACI 318-02)
and Commentary (ACI 318R-02)**

An ACI Standard

Reported by ACI Committee 318



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Ultimate Load Design

1963 – 1970

$$U = 1.5 \text{ DL} + 1.8 \text{ LL}$$



Ultimate Load Design

1971 – 2001

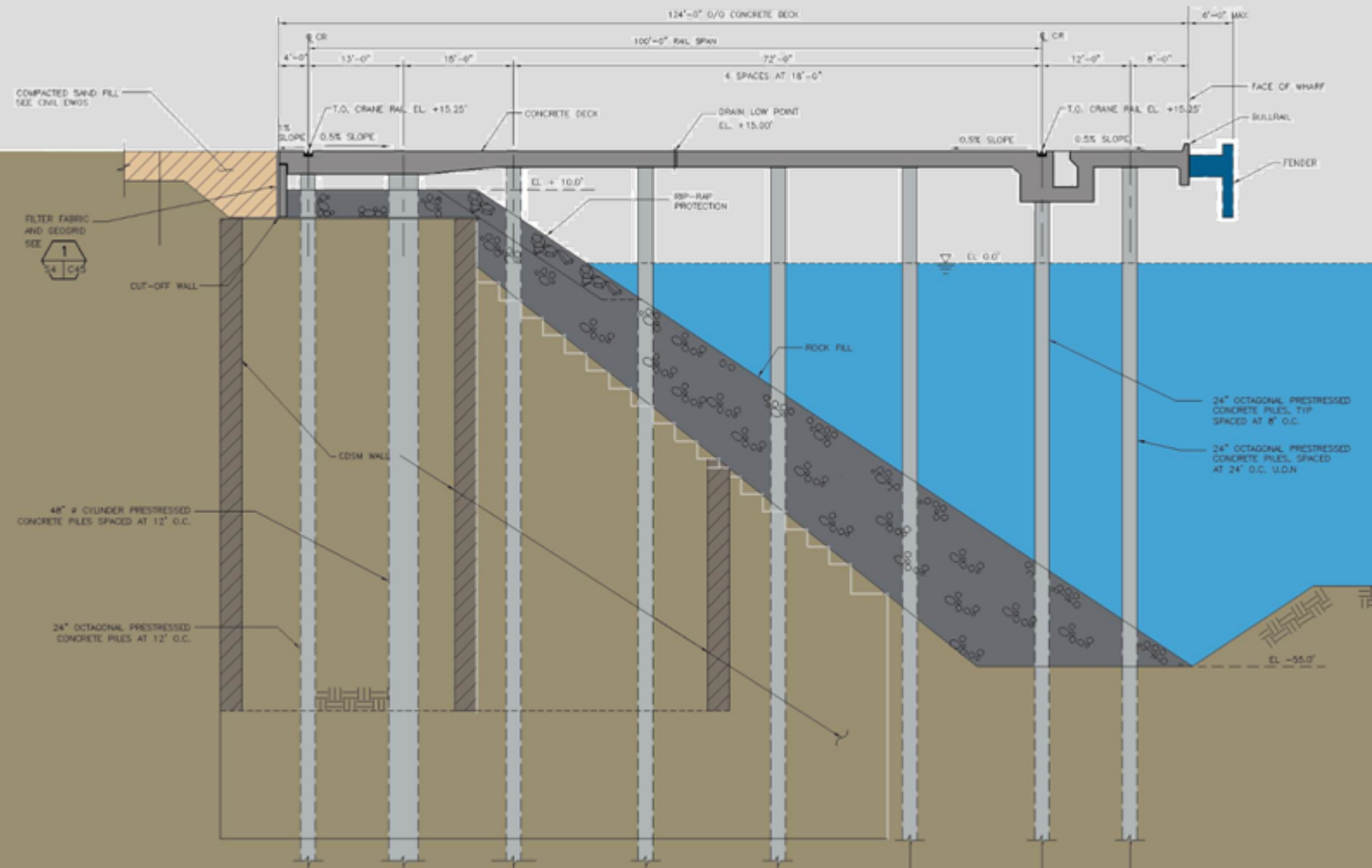
$$U = 1.4 \text{ DL} + 1.7 \text{ LL}$$



Ultimate Load Design

2002 – Present

$$U = 1.2 \text{ DL} + 1.6 \text{ LL}$$



Design Methodology Summary

Working Stress Design:

Before 1963 Service Load Factors

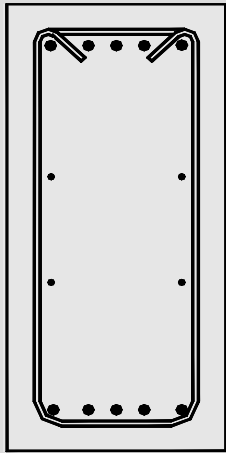
Ultimate Load Design:

1963-1970 $U = 1.5 \text{ DL} + 1.8 \text{ LL}$

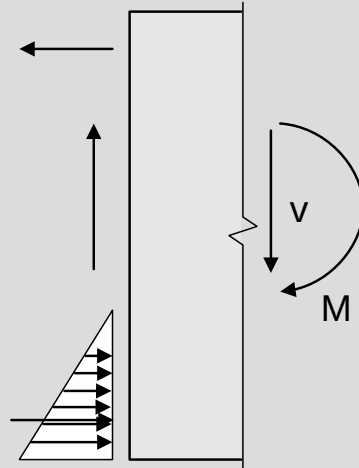
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2002-Present $U = 1.2 \text{ DL} + 1.6 \text{ LL}$

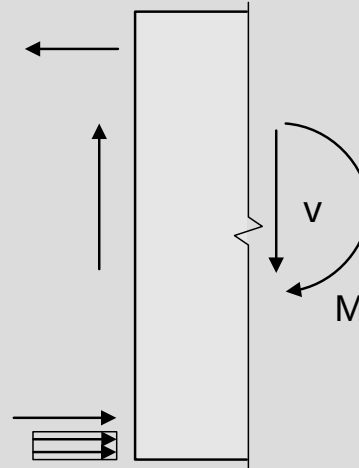
History of Design Capacity



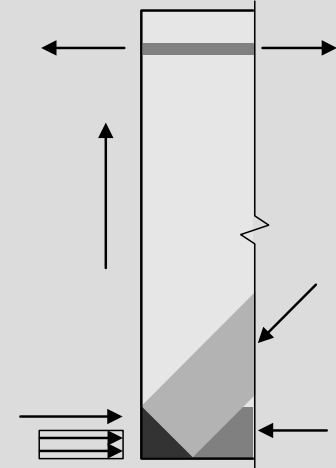
Isolated
Beam



1960
Elasti
c



1990
Plasti
c



2002
Strut &
Tie

Relative "Service"
Strength
Moment M
Shear V

*

1.00
1.00

1.50
1.00

1.70
1.35

* Considering Calculated Strength and Load Factors

Section Five:
**Reassessing the Rated
Capacity of Existing
Wharves**

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Reassessing the Rated Capacity of Existing Wharves for Higher Loads

Control group X factors, A to C

Reassessing the Rated Capacity of Existing Wharves for Higher Loads

A. Workmanship:

Materials—Concrete strength testing

Piles—Capacity based on load tests

Inspection of wharf for cracking, deterioration

Proper maintenance and repairs

Pile Load Testing

Destructive Testing:

Cut pile

Jack

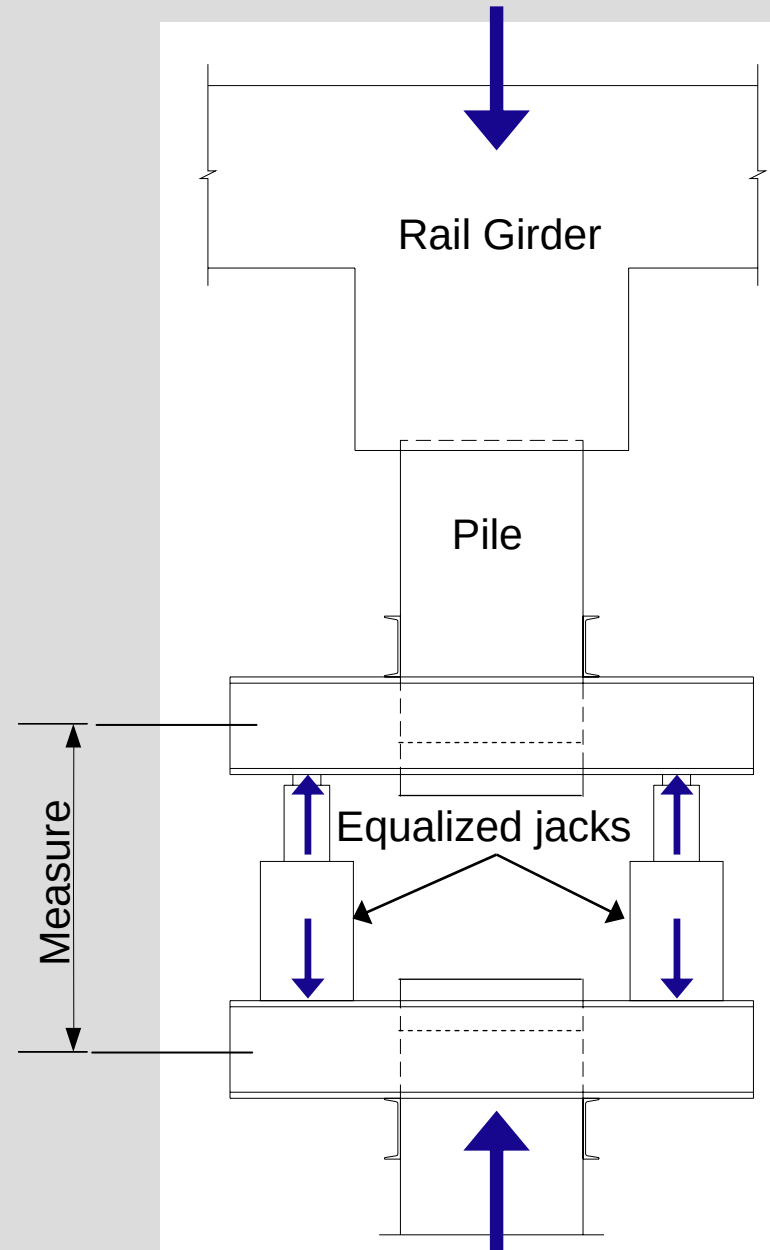
Measure resulting
deflection

When jacked

When released

For elastic movement:

Jack deflection = released
deflection



Reassessing the Rated Capacity of Existing Wharves for Higher Loads

B. Loading: Controlling the Load

- Weighing crane

- Using limiting devices for rated load

- Providing overload fuses in cranes

Reassessing the Rated Capacity of Existing Wharves for Higher Loads

C. Accuracy of Analysis: Use state-of-the-art modeling and analysis tools:

- Limit state design

- Beam on elastic foundation—accurately modeling piles as springs, better understanding of loads and distribution of wharf

- 3D models—Analyze the entire wharf, not just the crane girders

- Strut & tie model (STM) for concrete beam and column design

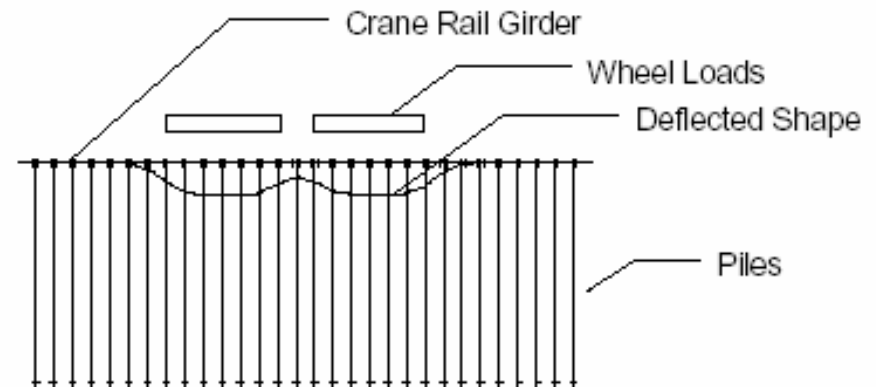
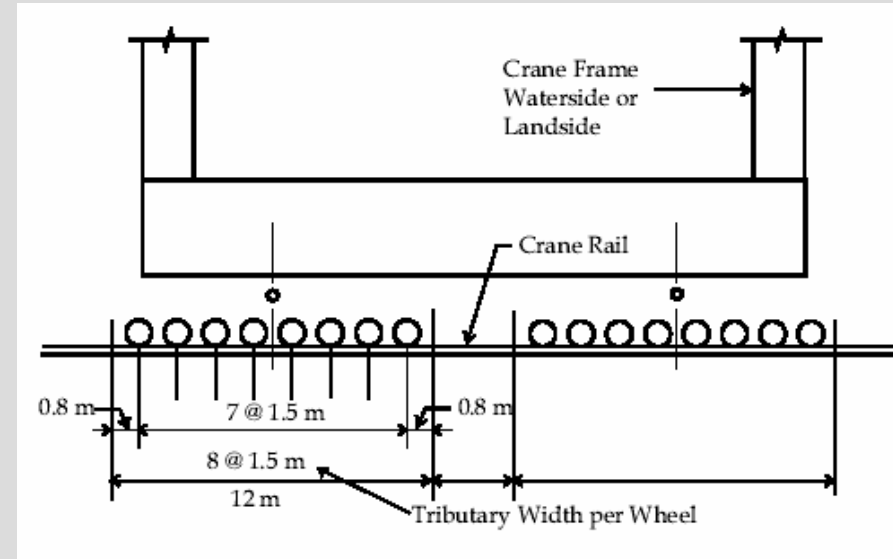
Beam on Elastic Foundation

Elastic deflection of piles included

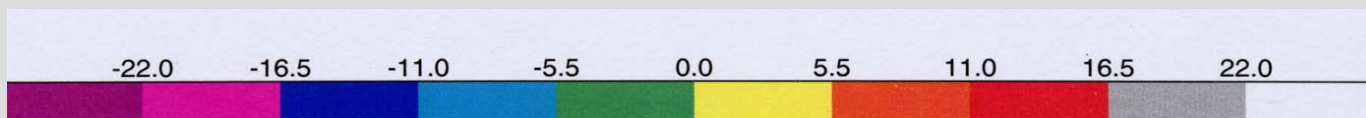
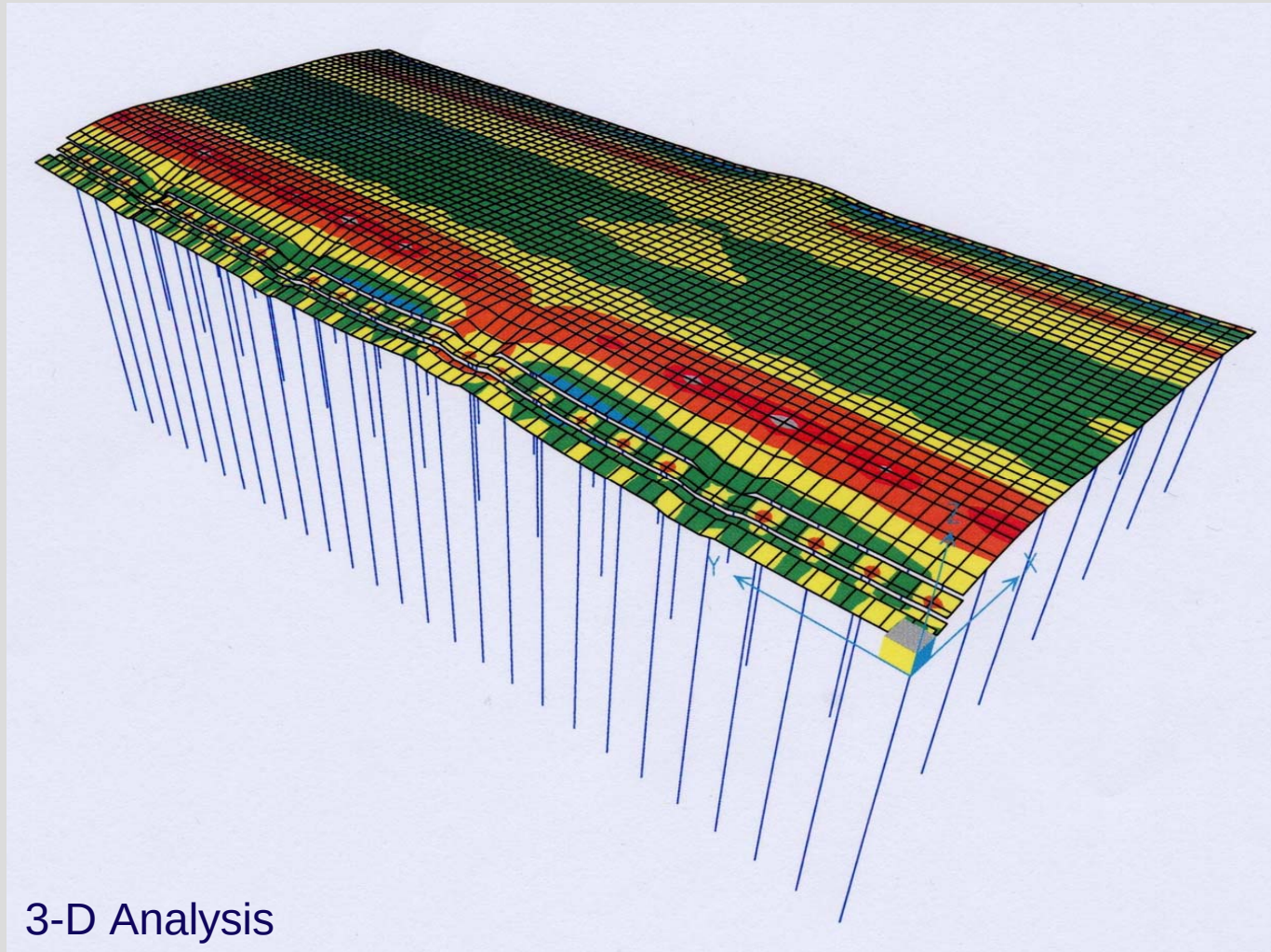
Girder may be modeled with cracked section properties.

Pile stiffness may be modeled with uncracked section properties

2-D Analysis



Analyzing the Entire Wharf



Strut and Tie Model

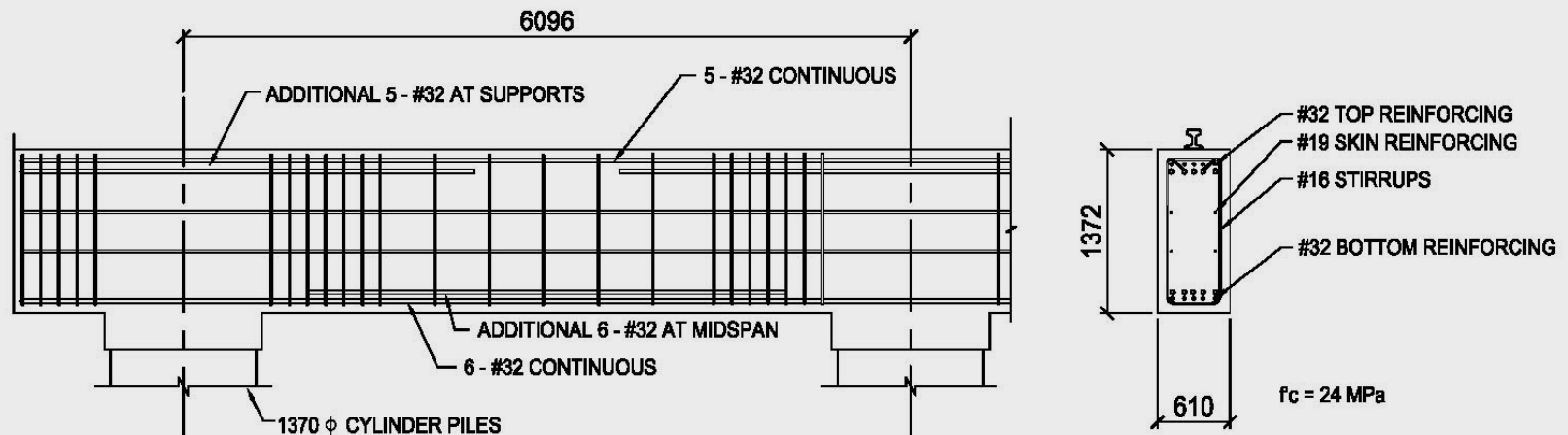
More accurately calculates capacities of structures having significant in-plane stresses or discontinuities.

Ultimate design uses empirical formulae to calculate strength

Strut and tie model converts the ultimate design model into compression and tension elements and provides more realistic results

Strut and Tie: Case Study

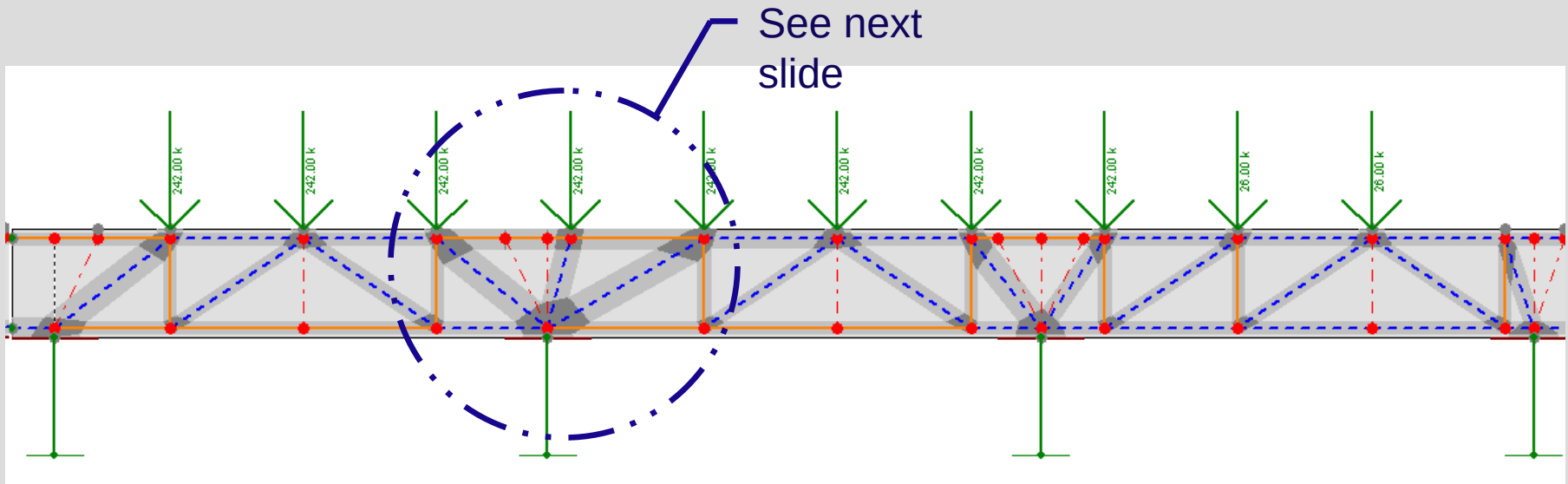
Virginia Port Authority, Portsmouth Marine Terminal, Phase 3 LS Girder



Details at Landside Crane Rail Girder

Strut and Tie: Case Study

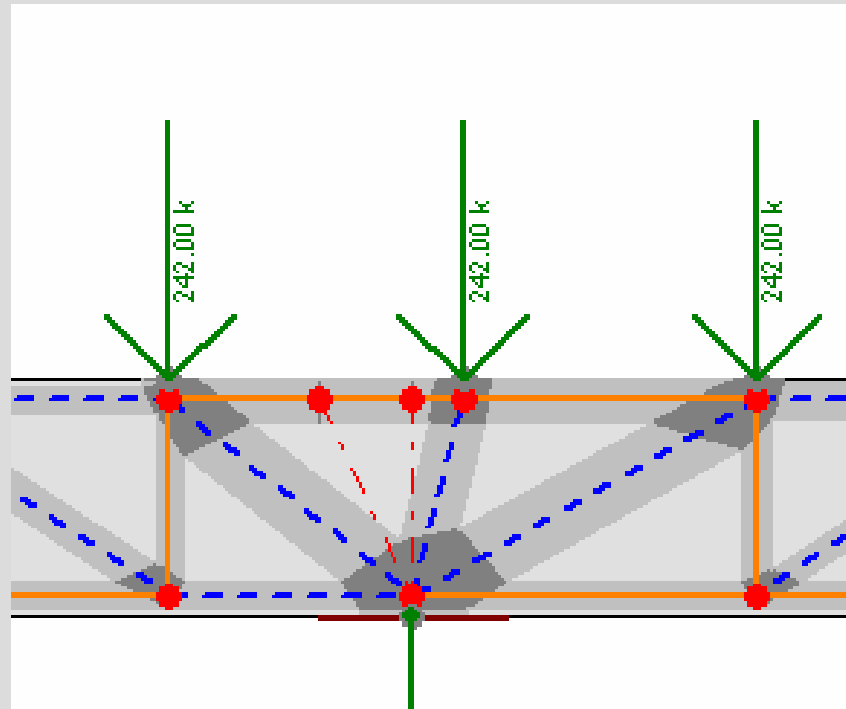
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Girder



Strut-and-Tie Model

Strut and Tie

Virginia Port Authority, Portsmouth Marine Terminal, Phase 3 LS
Girder



Strut-and-Tie Model

Strut and Tie: Case Study

Virginia Port Authority, PMT Case Study

Results:

Increased allowable wheel load in center bays
by 35%

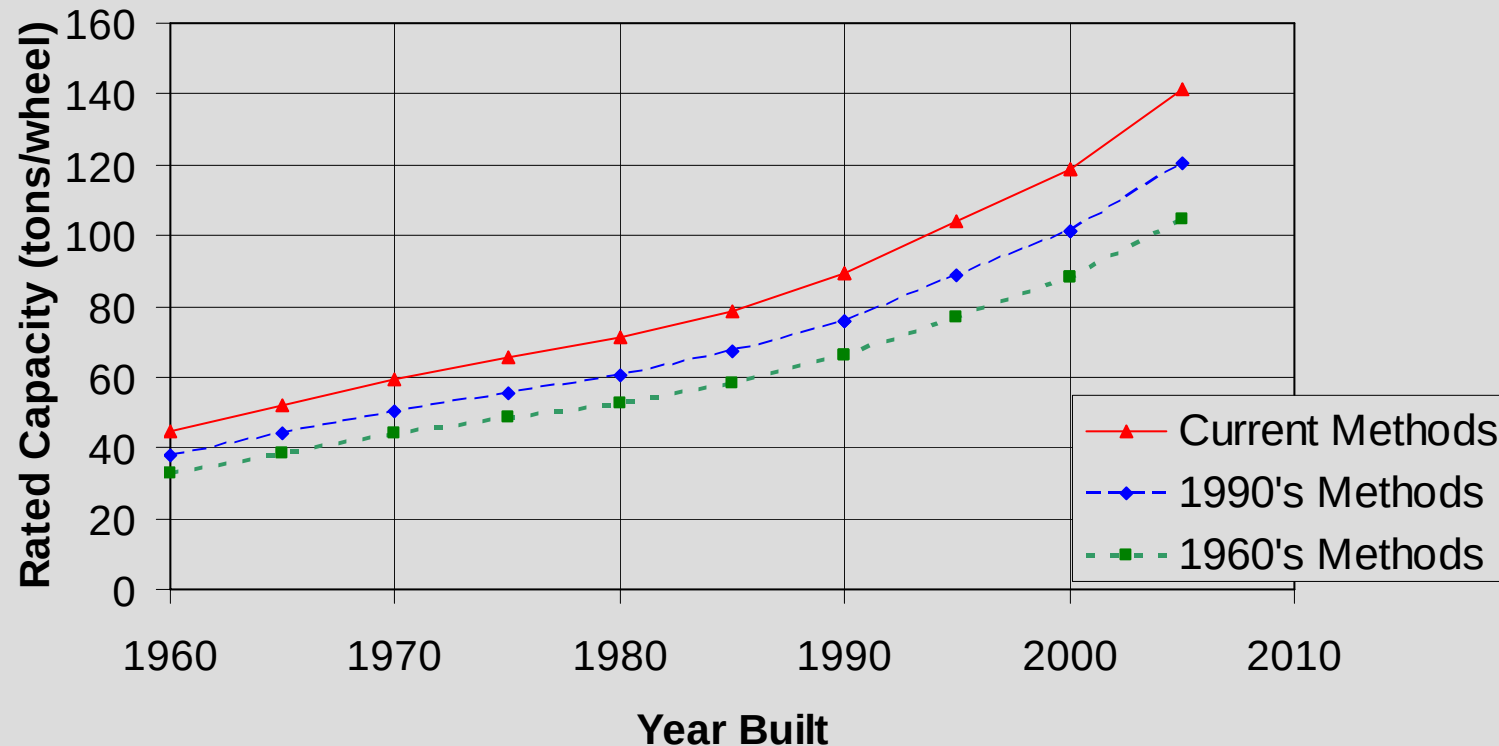
No increase in end bay allowable wheel loads

No reinforcement for operating condition
required

Minimal modification required for stowed
locations

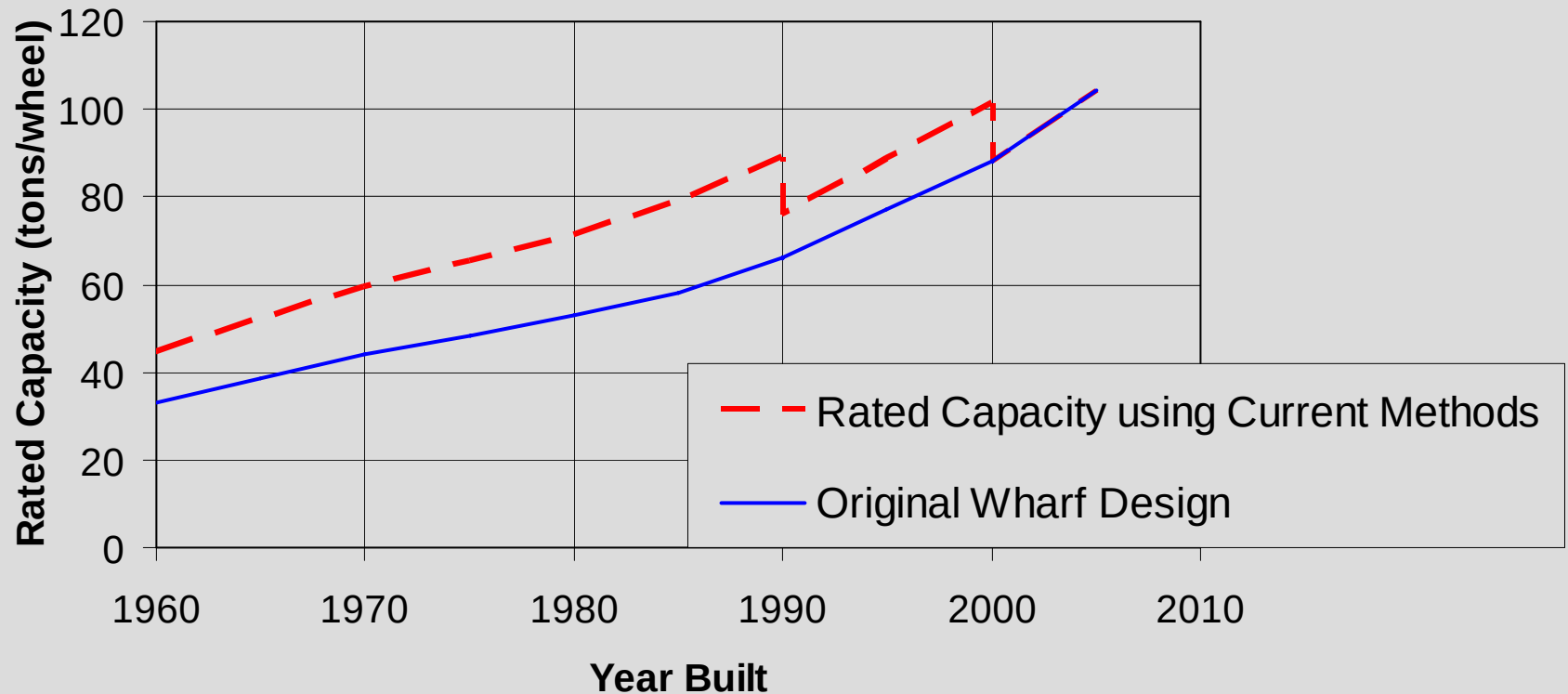
Theoretical Wharf Rated Capacity vs. Year Built: Design

Wharf Rated Capacity



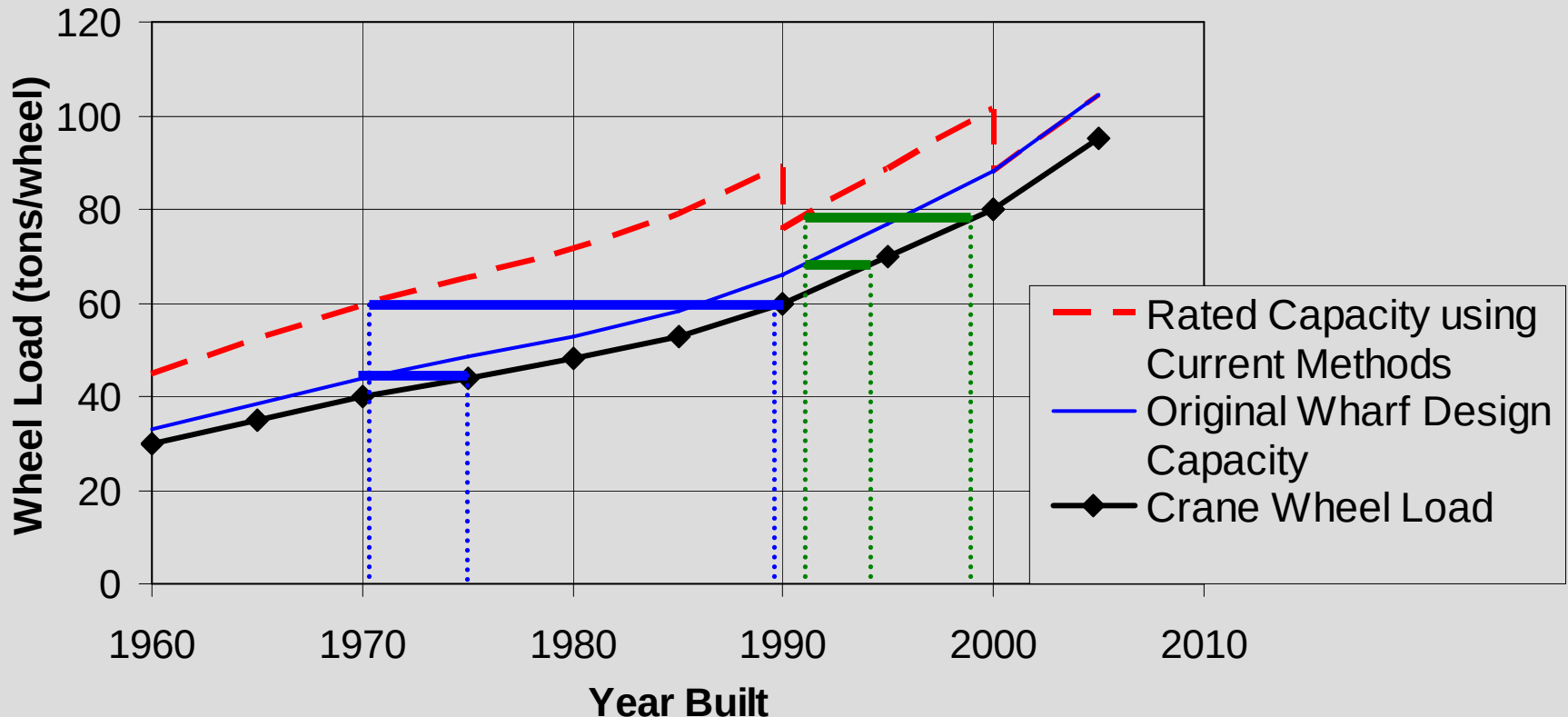
Actual Wharf Rated Capacity vs. Year Built: Design

Actual Wharf Rated Capacity



Wharf Rated Capacity and Applied Crane Loads

Wheel Loads vs. Year Built





Section Six: Other Considerations

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Crane/Wharf Interface

Stowage Brackets

Collision Bumpers

Tie-downs

Tie-downs: Pusan Hurricane, 2003



Tie-downs

Rational stability combinations to calculate tie-down forces

Establish load path from crane to wharf ... using the same loading and criteria

Often, the original design is not satisfactory

Most storm-related collapses are from tiedown system failure

Tie-downs



More Information?

This presentation is available for download
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WESTWOOD RAINIER
NASSAU

Values of X Factors

		vg—very good g—good f—fair p—				
Characteristic		poor (Loading) B =				
		vg	g	f	p	
Very Good Workmanship	C = (Analysis)	vg	1.1	1.3	1.5	1.7
		g	1.2	1.45	1.7	1.95
		f	1.3	1.6	1.9	2.2
		p	1.4	1.75	2.1	2.45
Good Workmanship	C = (Analysis)	vg	1.3	1.55	1.8	2.05
		g	1.45	1.75	2.05	2.35
		f	1.6	1.95	2.3	2.65
		p	1.75	2.15	2.55	2.95
Fair Workmanship	C = (Analysis)	vg	1.5	1.8	2.1	2.4
		g	1.7	2.05	2.4	2.75
		f	1.9	2.3	2.7	3.1
		p	2.1	2.55	3.0	3.45
Poor Workmanship	C = (Analysis)	vg	1.7	2.15	2.4	2.75
		g	1.95	2.35	2.75	3.15
		f	2.2	2.65	3.1	3.55
		p	2.45	2.95	3.45	3.95

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Values of Y Factors

Characteristic		D = (Personnel)		
		Not serious	Serious	Very serious
E = (Economic Considerations)	Not serious	1.0	1.2	1.4
	Serious	1.1	1.3	1.5
	Very serious	1.2	1.4	1.6

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