

MASTER THESIS

Structure design of a sailing yacht by rules and direct method

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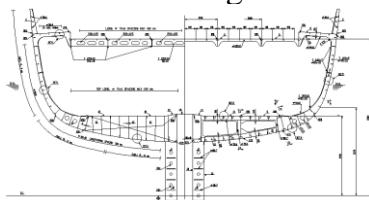


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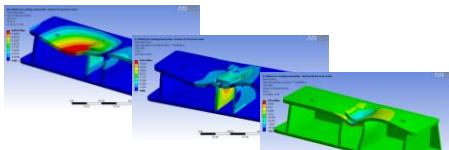
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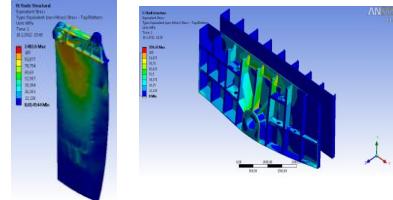
Aluminum

Types of aluminum and the alloys
Chemical properties
Mechanical properties
Advantages
Disadvantages

Main mast base foundation



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$L_{OA} = 58.6 \text{ m}$ $D = 3.85 \text{ m}$
 $B = 11.4 \text{ m}$ $T = 2.15 \text{ m}$

$v = 15.5 \text{ kn}$
 $\Delta = 540 \text{ t}$



American Bureau of Shipping
(ABS) rules

Guide for Building and Classing
Offshore Racing Yachts, 1994

Chapter 7: Thickness of the shell

$$t = sc \sqrt{\frac{pk}{\sigma_a}}$$

Chapter 8: Section modulus

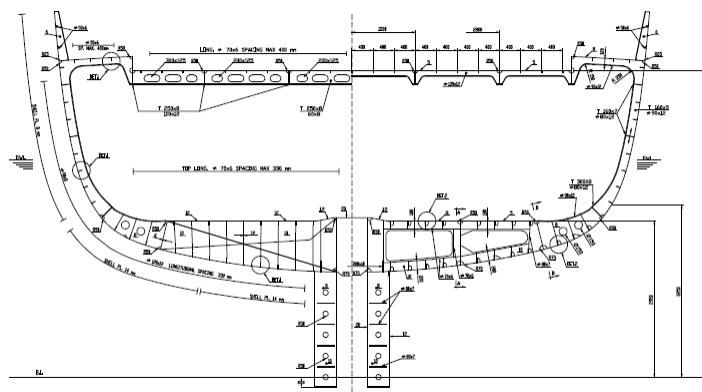
$$SM = \frac{Chsl^2}{\sigma_a} + SM_k$$

| Deck structure ($t = 5 \text{ mm}$) | | | | | | |
|---|-----------------|---------|---------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Direction | Type | Profile | Web [mm] | Flange [mm] | SM _{required} | SM _{profile} |
| Longitudinal | Primary | T | 250 x 8 | 100 x 12 | 104,28 | 133,82 |
| Longitudinal | Secondary | FB | 70 x 6 | | 4,00 | 4,90 |
| Transverse | Main frame | T | 250 x 8 | 60 x 8 | 96,14 | 112,43 |
| Transverse | Frame | FB | 120 x 12 | | 24,03 | 28,80 |
| Side structure ($t = 8 \text{ mm}$) | | | | | | |
| Direction | Type | Profile | Web [mm] | Flange [mm] | SM _{required} | SM _{profile} |
| Longitudinal | Primary | T | 160 x 7 | 80 x 12 | 60,07 | 65,46 |
| Longitudinal | Secondary | FB | 90 x 8 | | 10,30 | 10,80 |
| Transverse | Main frame | T | 160 x 9 | 90 x 12 | 41,26 | 52,00 |
| Bottom ($t = 14 \text{ mm}$) and inner bottom ($t = 12 \text{ mm}$) | | | | | | |
| Direction | Place | Profile | Longitudinals | Stiffeners | SM _{required} | SM _{profile} |
| Longitudinal | Bottom | FB | 120 x 12 | | 22,60 | 28,80 |
| Longitudinal | Iner bottom | FB | 70 x 6 | | 10,31 | 11,67 |
| Longitudinal | Bottom bulkhead | FB | | | 70 x 6 | 10,31 |
| | | | | | | 11,67 |



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Aluminium

History of aluminum boats:

- 1892 – power boat *Mignon* – Switzerland
- 1894 – 58 m torpedo boat *Falcon* - Scotland
- 1894 – several 5.48 m boats built in USA for polar expeditions
- 1895 – aluminium boat *Defender* – won The America's Cup

Aluminium boats in that time had several problems with corrosion

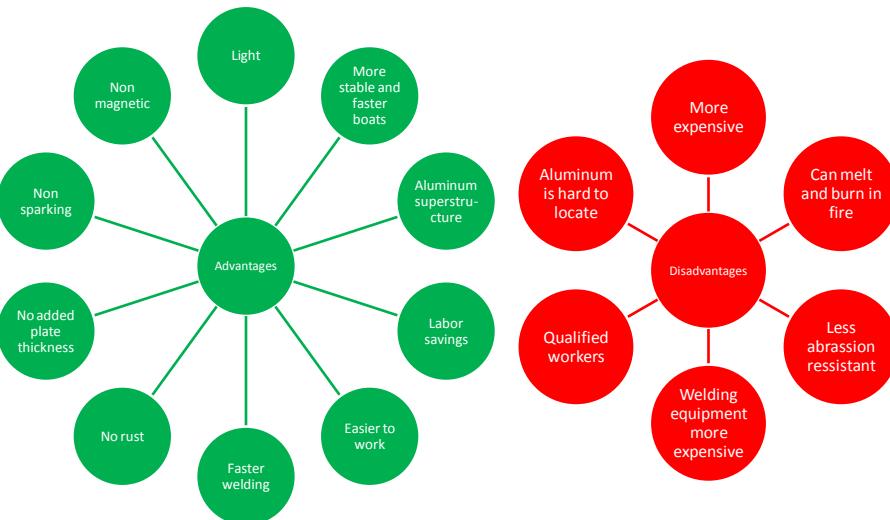
Table Families of aluminum alloys:

| Alloy element | Series | Marine application: |
|-----------------------|--------|--|
| None | 1000 | Alloy 5083 it was registered in 1954 by the Aluminum Association |
| Copper | 2000 | Properties of 5083 alloy: |
| Manganese | 3000 | -Corrosion resistance |
| Magnesium | 5000 | - High strength |
| Magnesium and silicon | 6000 | - Good mouldability |
| Zinc and magnesium | 7000 | - Excellent for welding |



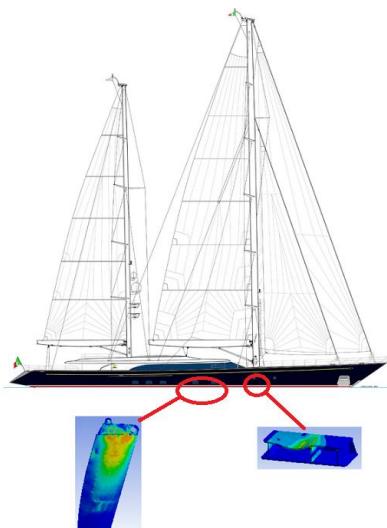
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Finite element method analysis



Software:
Modeling – SolidWorks 2010
Analysis – Ansys Workbench v13.

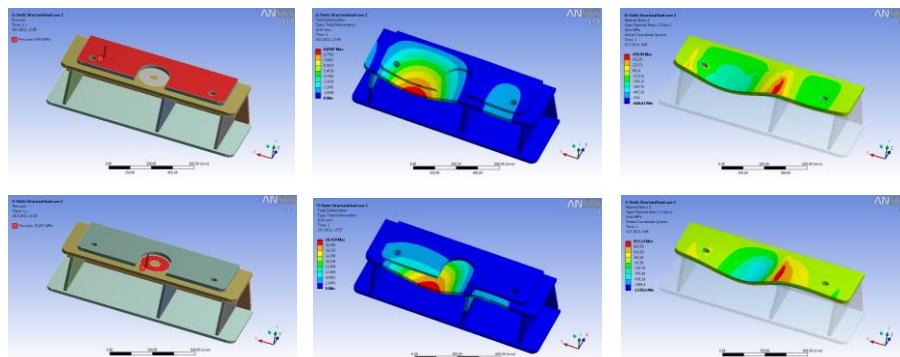
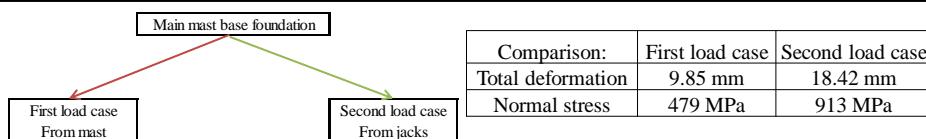
Models:
Main mast base foundation
Keel – Hull structure connection

Goal:
Verification of the existing structure for the new loads coming from the new mast
Become familiar with the software features
Verification of the structure according to the ABS rules



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Main mast base foundation

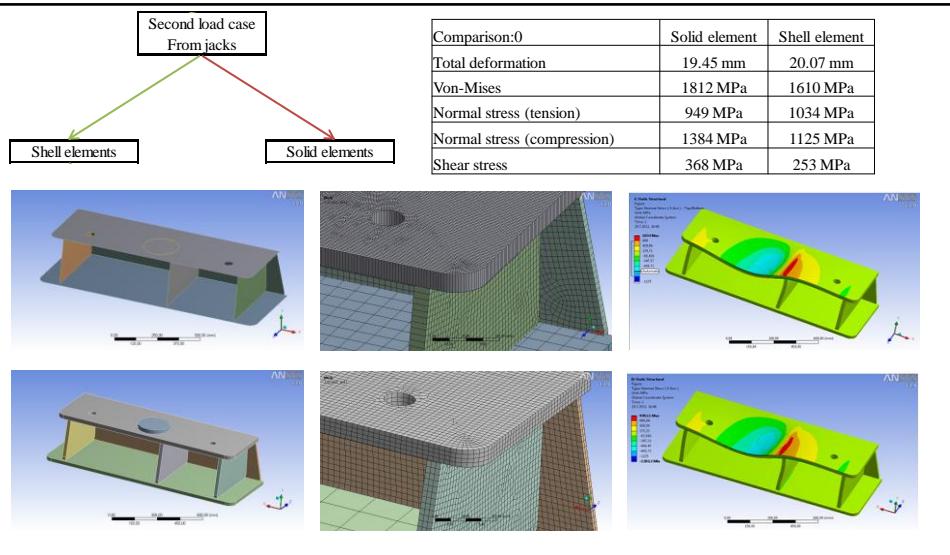


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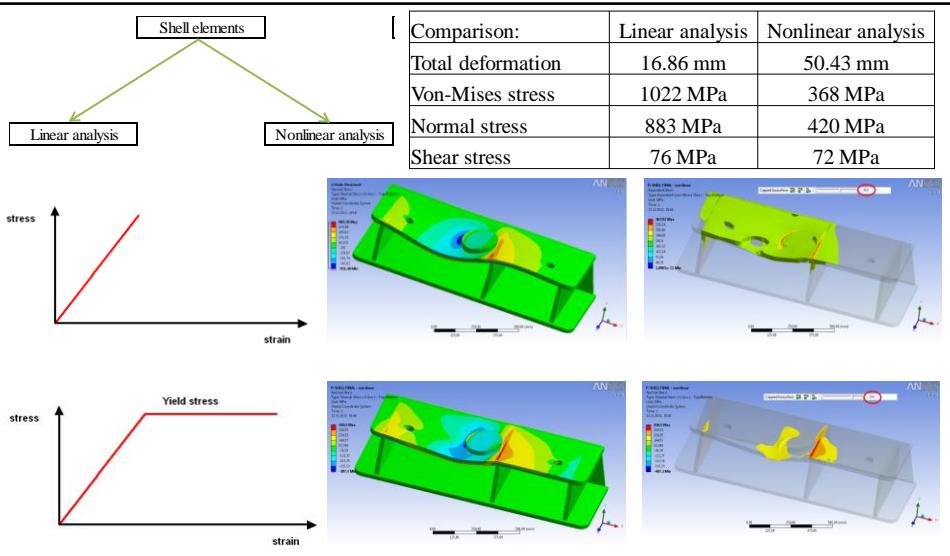


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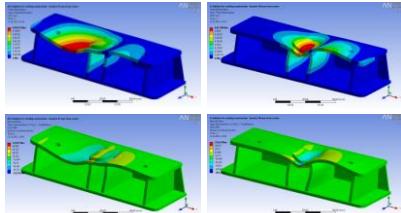


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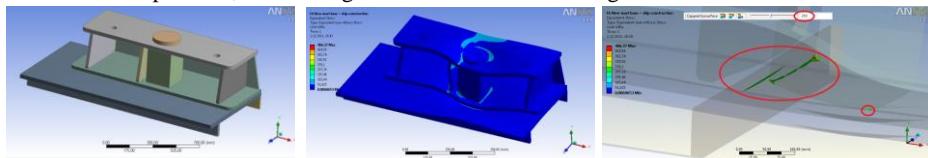
Main mast base foundation

Solution of the problem, for existing structure - welding



| Position of the bracket | Deformation | Von-Mises | Normal stress |
|-------------------------|-------------|-----------|---------------|
| In the middle | 1,401 mm | 218 MPa | 139 MPa |
| 15 mm | 0,842 mm | 182 MPa | 122 MPa |
| 20 mm | 0,725 mm | 169 MPa | 142 MPa |
| 25 mm | 0,627 mm | 160 MPa | 160 MPa |
| 30 mm | 0,550 mm | 169 MPa | 177 MPa |
| 50 mm | 0,677 mm | 233 MPa | 235 MPa |

Solution of the problem, for existing structure - without welding

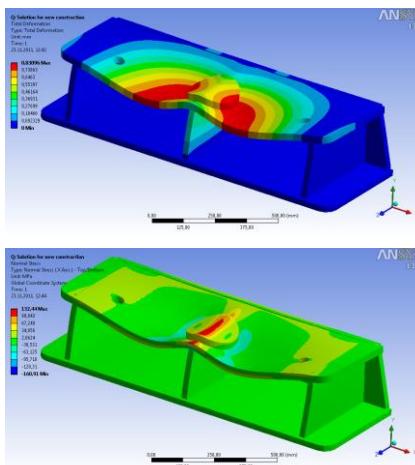


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Main mast base foundation



Solution for the new construction



| | |
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| Total deformation | 0.831 mm |
| Von-Mises stress | 197 MPa |
| Normal stress | 132 MPa |
| Shear stress | 8 MPa |

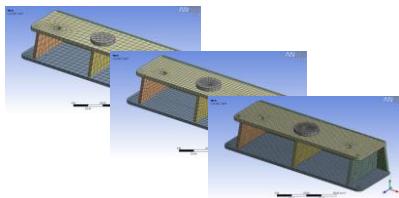


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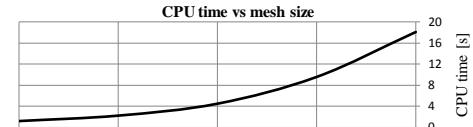
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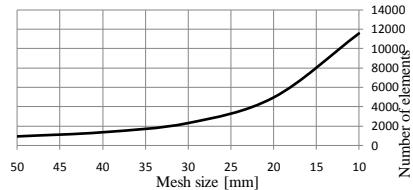
Influence of the mesh on the results



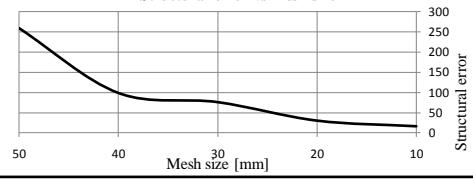
| Mesh [mm] | 50 | 40 | 30 | 20 | 10 |
|------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Von-Mises [MPa] | 170,56 | 175,06 | 171,76 | 173,52 | 194,38 |
| Normal stress [Mpa] | 91,76 | 82,02 | 117,63 | 133,36 | 123,42 |
| Shear stress [Mpa] | 3,58 | 4,56 | 5,02 | 6,28 | 6,93 |
| Total deformation [mm] | 0,804 | 0,762 | 0,811 | 0,83 | 0,816 |
| Error | 259 | 99,21 | 76,52 | 30,84 | 16,97 |
| Number of elements | 956 | 1383 | 2328 | 4958 | 11560 |
| CPU time [s] | 1,2 | 2,23 | 4,49 | 9,56 | 18,08 |



Number of elements vs mesh size



Structural error vs mesh size

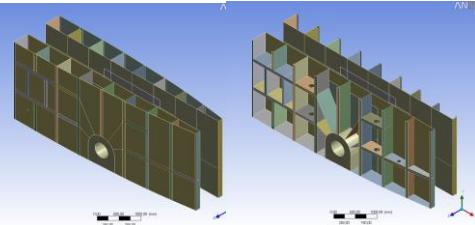
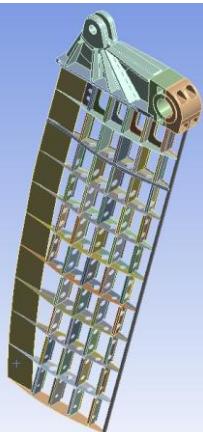


$$\text{Structural error: } E_S = \frac{\|f_{exact} - f_{numerical}\|}{\|f_{exact}\|}$$



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Keel – Hull structure connection



According to ABS rules:

Assumed load : weight of the keel below the section of the keel under consideration acting at its centre of gravity

Allowable stress: $0.5\sigma_y$ - primary stress

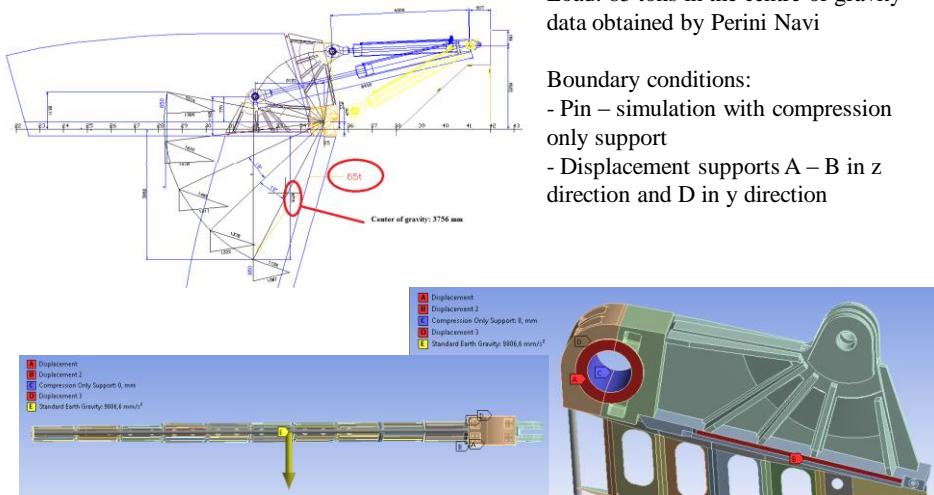


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Loads and boundary conditions:



Load: 65 tons in the centre of gravity – data obtained by Perini Navi

Boundary conditions:

- Pin – simulation with compression only support
- Displacement supports A – B in z direction and D in y direction

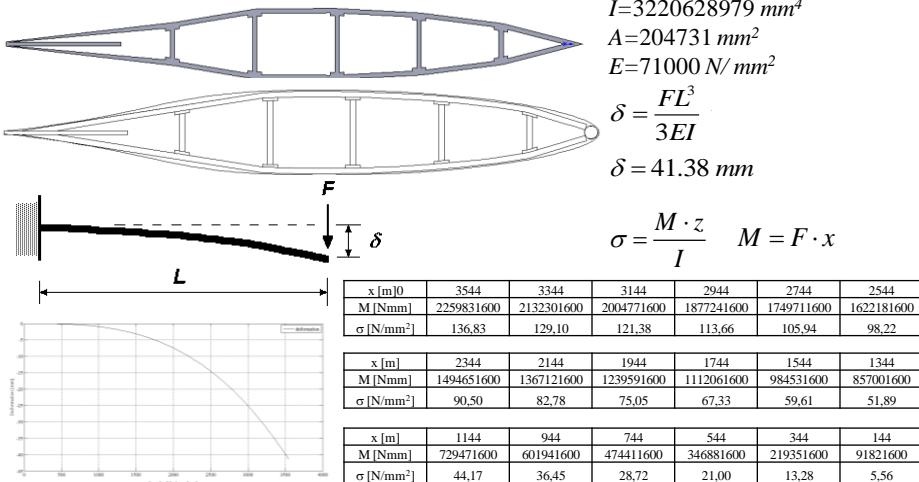


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Total deformation of the keel by direct method

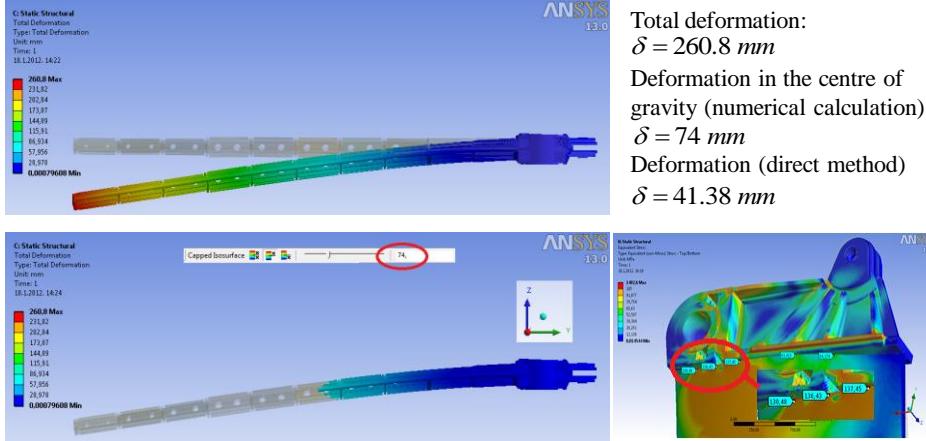


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Total deformation obtained by numerical calculation:



Total deformation:
 $\delta = 260.8 \text{ mm}$

Deformation in the centre of gravity (numerical calculation)
 $\delta = 74 \text{ mm}$

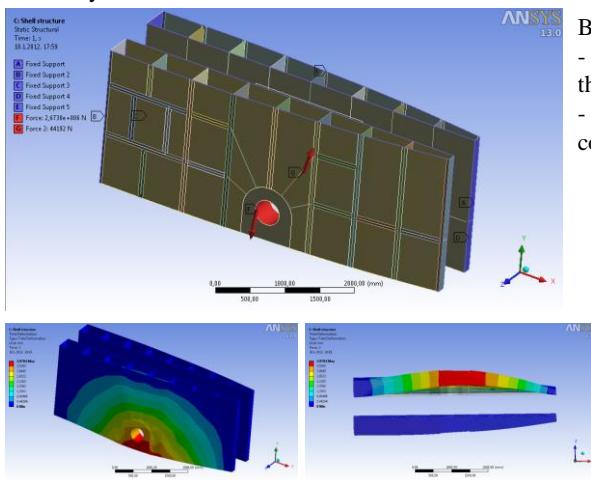
Deformation (direct method)
 $\delta = 41.38 \text{ mm}$



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Boundary condition and forces for the hull structure:



Boundary conditions:

- Force – transmitted forces from the keel structure
- Fixed supports A, B, C, D and E – constrain all degrees of freedom

Total deformation is less than 4 milimeters.

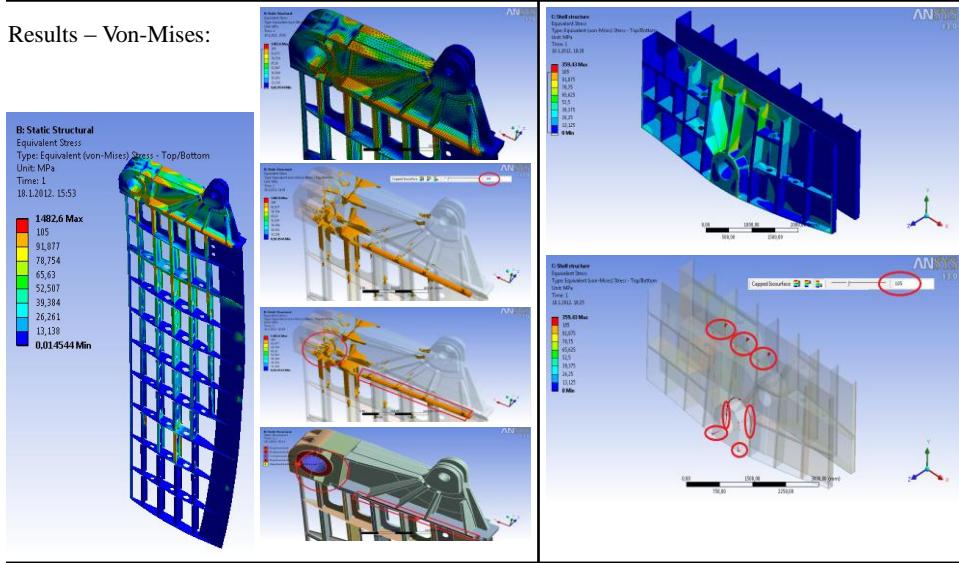


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Results – Von-Mises:



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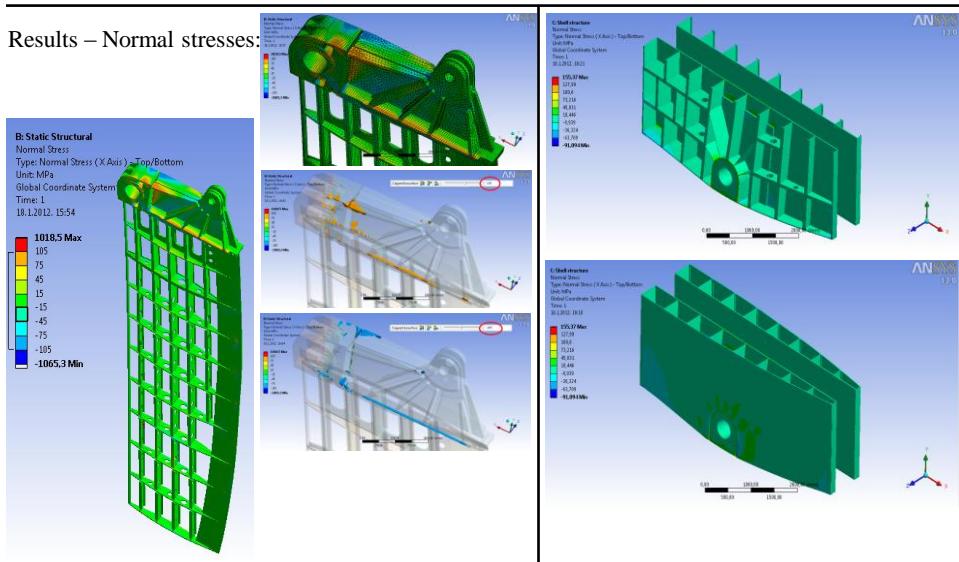
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Results – Normal stresses:



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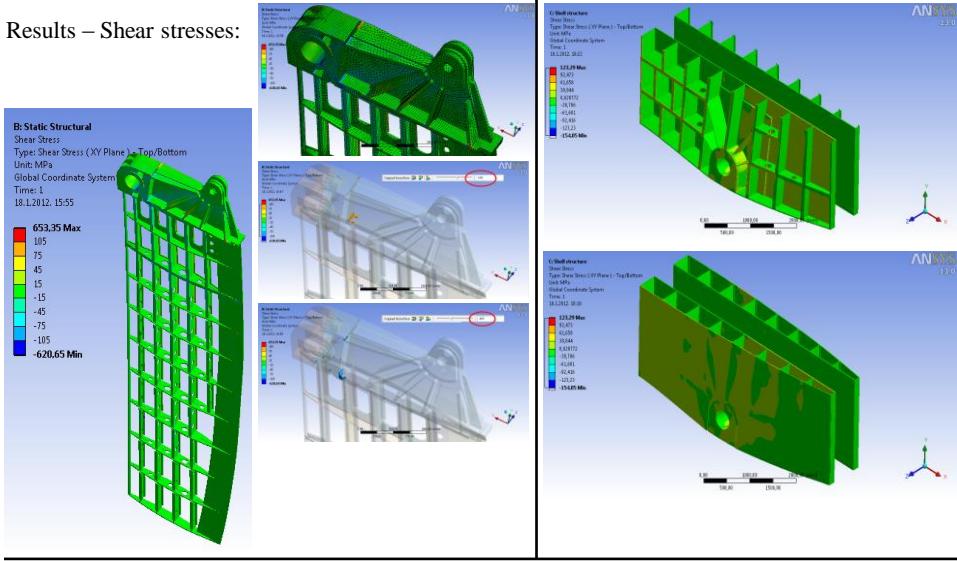
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Results – Shear stresses:



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Conclusion



Many advantages of the aluminum compared with steel

The most important advantage is corrosion resistance

Finite element method is very powerful tool for solving structural problems

Very easy to operate with ANSYS Workbench

Mesh has the most important influence on the results

Shell elements are better than solid elements

Stresses around boundary condition not to take into a consideration

For result analysis, experience of the engineer is the most important

Engineer should check results using different method

Computer is an instrument for our work and it can't substitute our knowledge and experience

Thank you for your attention



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