

# High Speed Connector

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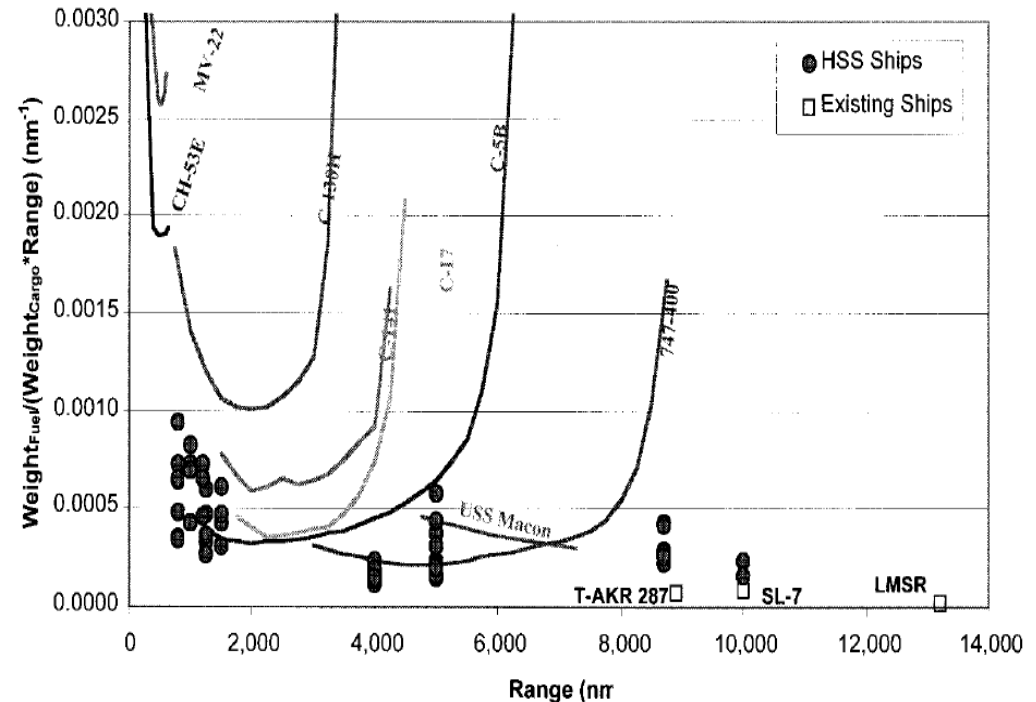
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- Part of System of Systems
  - Intra-theater Connector within the Sea Basing Concept
  - High Speed, Agile, Versatile Platform
- Focused Logistics
  - “...ensure the delivery of the right equipment, supplies, and personnel to the right place, at the right time to support operational objectives.”\*
- Affordable
- Industry Standard vs. Navy Standard

\*Note: CJCSM 31170.01, “Operation of the Joint Capabilities Integration and Development System”, June 2003.

# Required Capabilities

- Cargo:
  - 500-1000 Itons
- Speed >40 kts
- Range ~2000nm
- Interface: Roll-on-roll-off, Cargo, Vertical Movement of Cargo.
- Manning 20~30
- Navigational Agility:
  - Low Draft
- Limited Self-defense:
  - Air: point defense
  - Surface: visual range
  - Sub-surface: passive



$$R = \frac{Weight_{fuel}}{Weight_{cargo} * Range}$$

\*Pegrum, M., Kennell, C. "Fuel Efficiency Comparison between High Speed Sealift Ships and Airlift Aircraft" Marine Technology, Vol. 39, April 2002

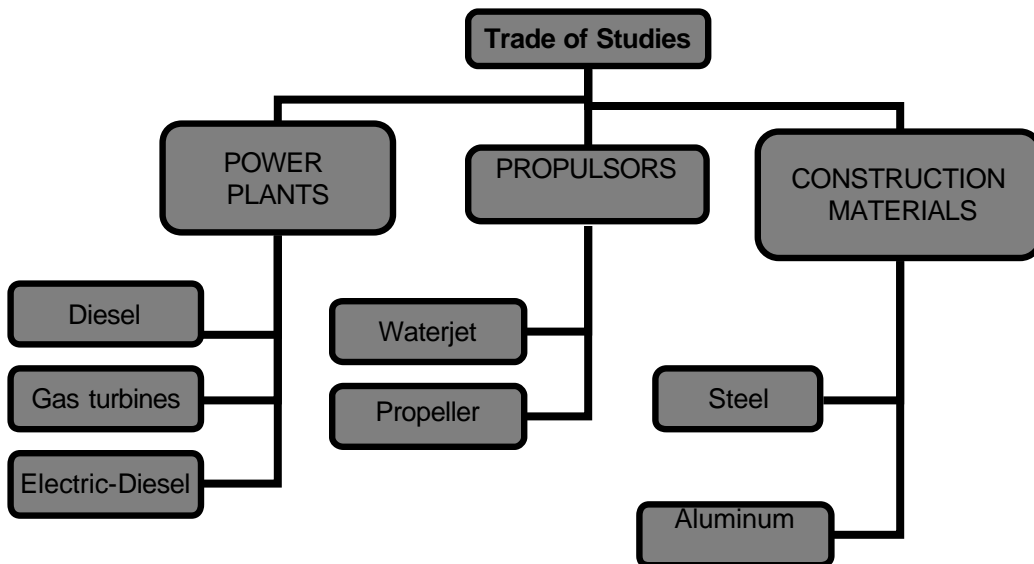
# Generation of Competing Variants

## Design of Experiments:

- Data points were produced with proper randomization for the execution of the experimental runs.

## Range of operational requirements:

- Speed: 32 knots to 44 knots.
- Payload: 500 Itons to 1000 Itons.



## Developed Variants:

- Catamarans (26)
- Monohulls (27)
- Trimarans (28)

## Comparison of alternative solutions by means of:

- Quantitative attributes (Transport Factor)

$$\text{TransportFactor} = \frac{\text{Payload} \cdot \text{Speed}}{\text{InstalledPower}}$$

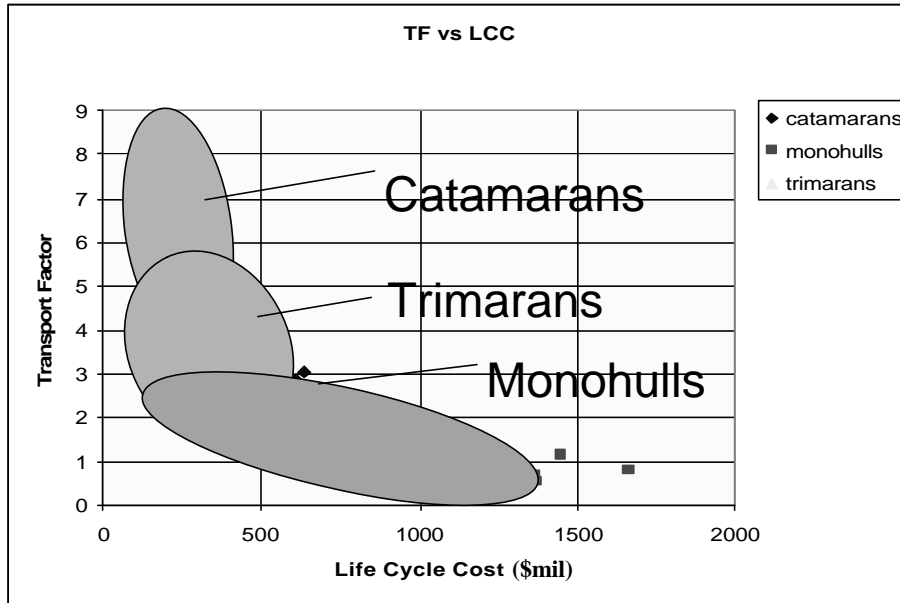
- Qualitative attributes

- Seakeeping
- Loading interface
- Survivability
- Feasibility
- Ability to manufacture

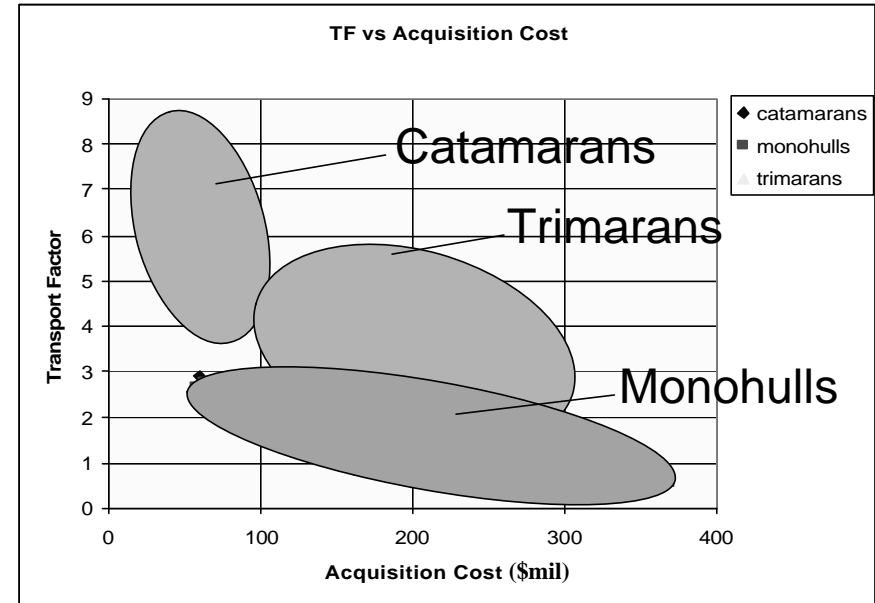
# Hull Selection

## Transport Factor (TF) -vs- Cost

Life Cycle Cost



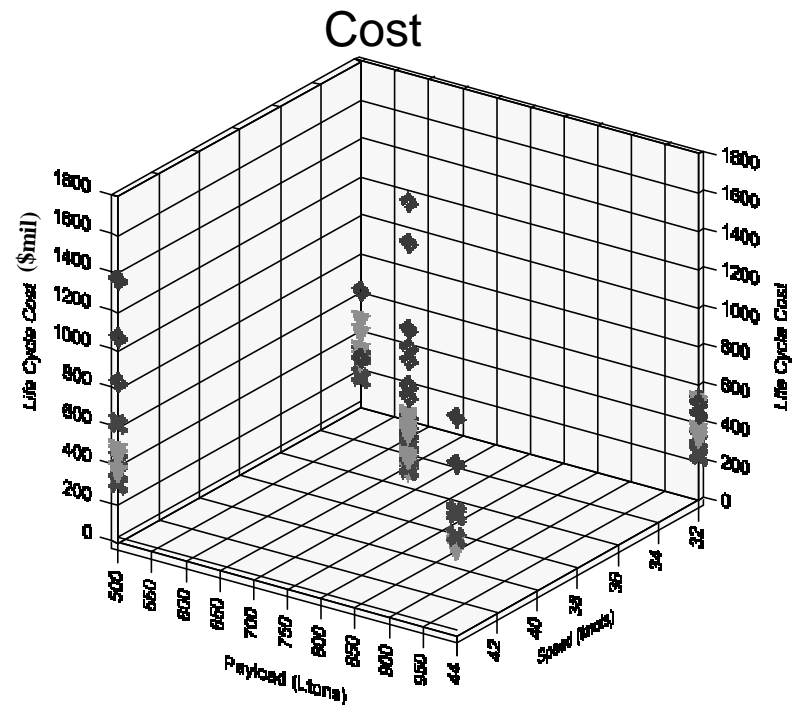
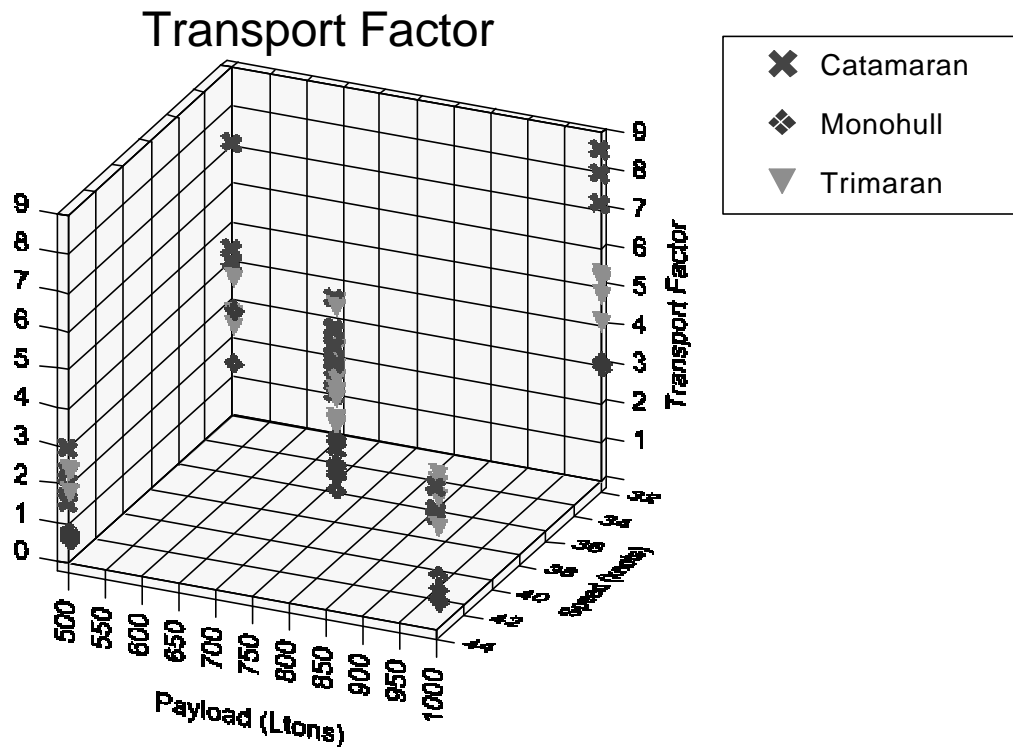
Acquisition Cost



- Catamarans demonstrate the best combination of TF/LCC
- Trimarans give smaller TF for slightly lower LCC
- Monohulls represent the least attractive combination

- Trimarans demonstrate higher acquisition cost than catamarans due to high R&D
- Monohulls become more competitive in terms of acquisition cost

# Hull Selection TF and Cost in Speed-Payload Space



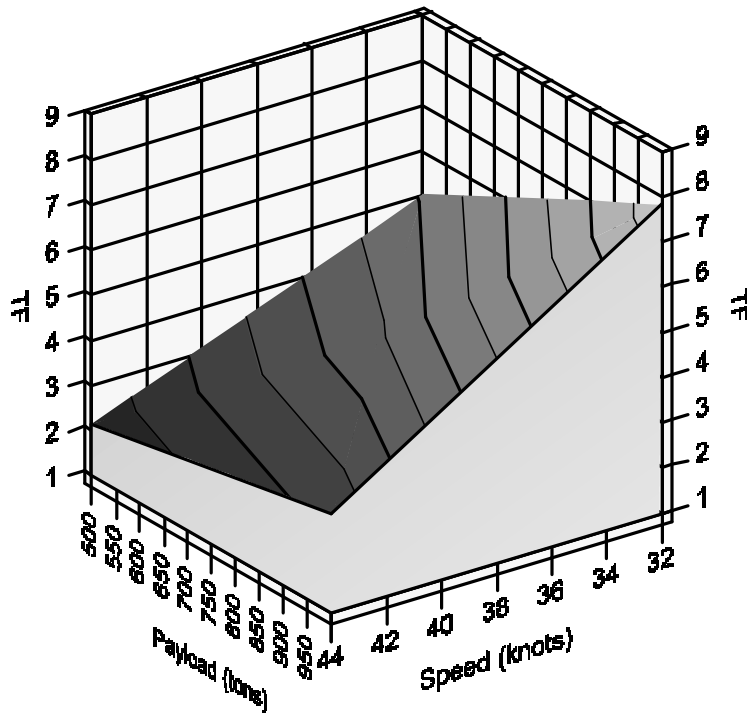
- Monohulls: worst performance in all combinations of speed-payload
- Trimarans: excel only in High speed - High payload case
- Catamarans: best TF in the rest of Speed-Payload space

- Monohulls: worst solution in terms of LCC
- Trimarans: marginally lower LCC in High speed - High payload region
- Catamarans: lowest LCC in the rest of Speed-Payload space

- Seakeeping Capability
  - Recent designs have demonstrated the ability to travel with 30 knots in sea state 6
- Loading interface
  - Lowest draft
  - Highest maneuverability
  - Best arrangeability due to rectangular configuration of cargo area
  - Lowest rolling angle
  - Capability for Vertical Access, Cargo Ramps for RO-RO
- Survivability
  - Large reserve cross-structure volume
  - Duplicated systems in fair separation
- Tested technology
  - 37 catamarans on 49 HSC were delivered on 2003
- Ability to manufacture
  - Demonstrated over a number of shipyards across US

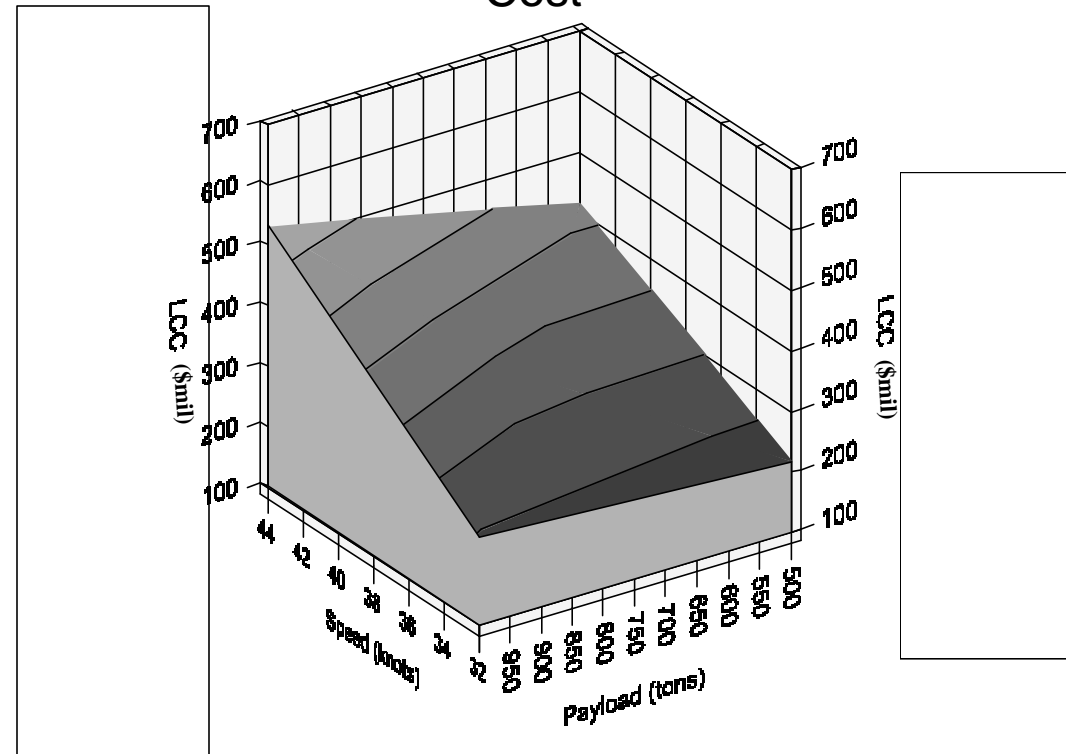
# TF and Cost for Catamarans

Transport Factor

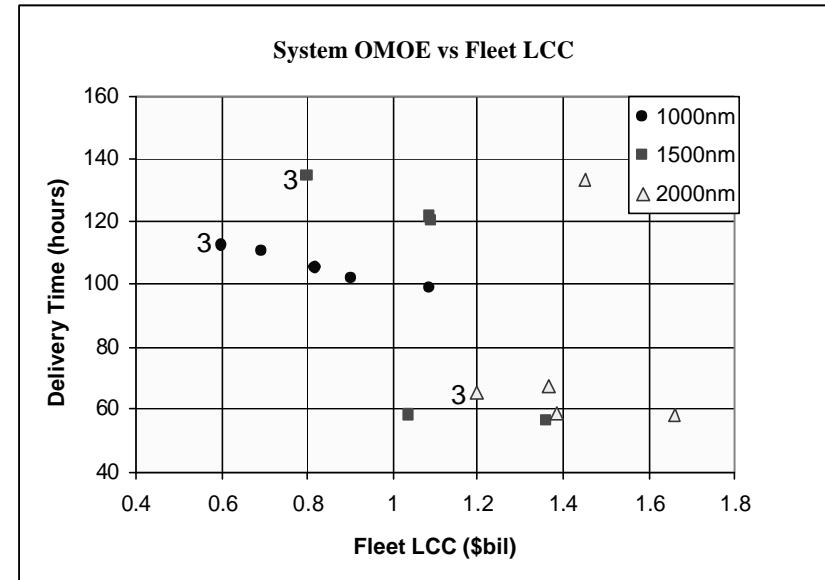
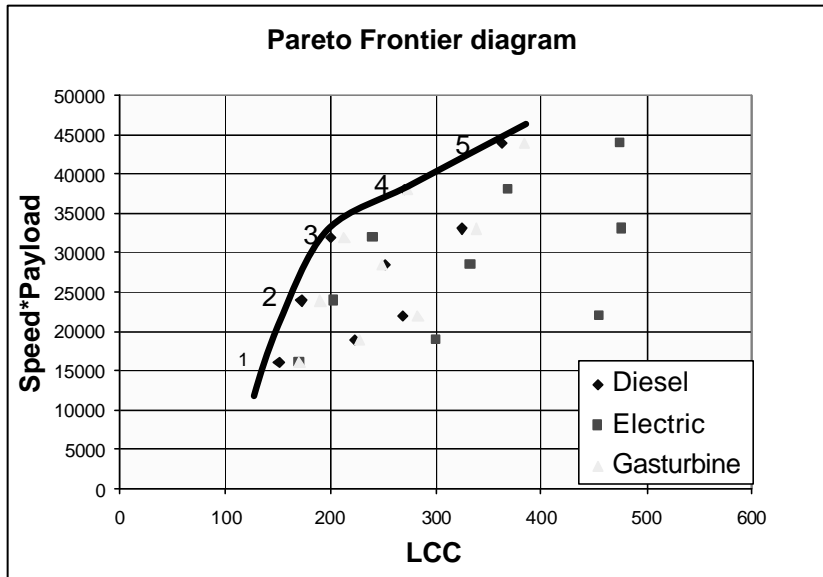


- Excellent performance in low speed regions
- Serious degradation with high speeds
- Low degradation with payload

Cost



- Very attractive choice for low speed regions
- High increase in LCC with speed



### Non Dominated Variants:

- Aluminum hull
- Waterjet propulsion
- Diesel Propulsion plant

### Optimization of overall system:

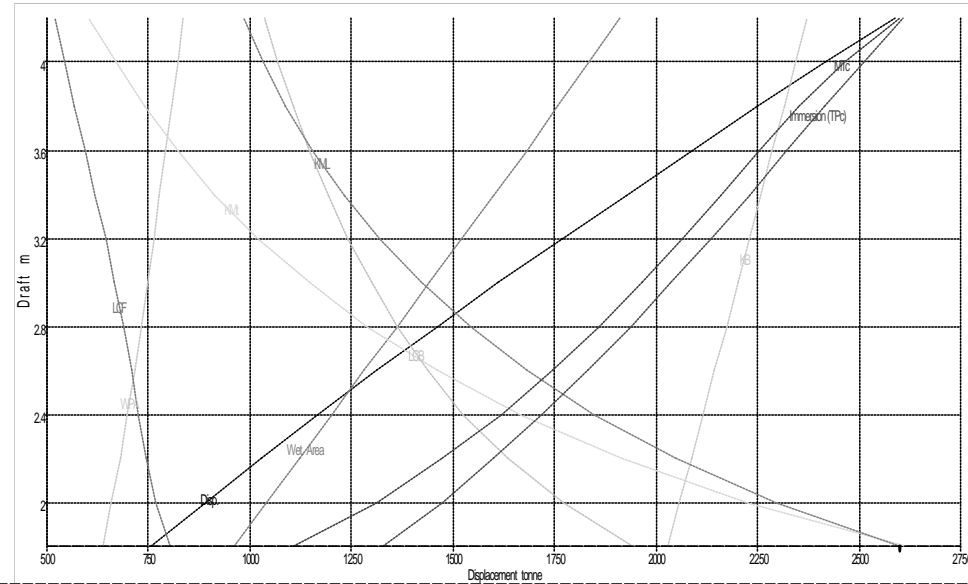
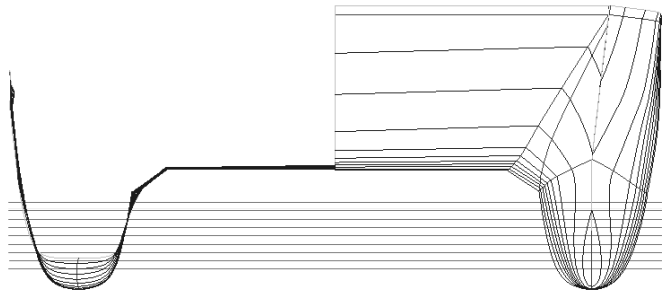
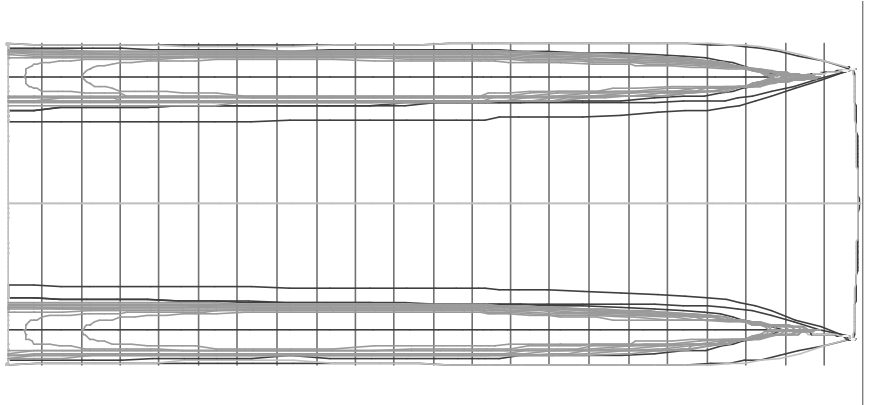
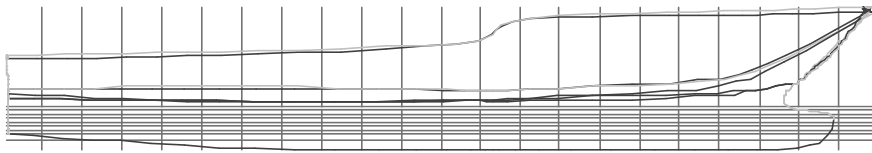
- Speed: 32knots
- Payload: 1000tons
- Number of required vessels: 4

# Geometry

- Round bilge hull FW
- Flat bottom AFT
- High L/B ratio
- Low draft
- Bulbous bow
- Raised wet deck
- Small bottom rake angle AF



Displacement	2222	Long Ton
Lwl	91.59	m
Beam	30.15	m
Draft	3.8	m
Cp	0.82	-
Cb	0.61	-
Cm	0.77	-
Cwp	0.83	-
LCB from zero pt	-3.1	m
LCF from zero pt	-5.1	m
KB	2.25	m
BMt	57.1	m
BMI	214.6	m
KMt	59.3	m
KMI	216.8	m
Immersion (TPc)	8.14	Long Ton/cm
MTc	52.6	Long Ton.m



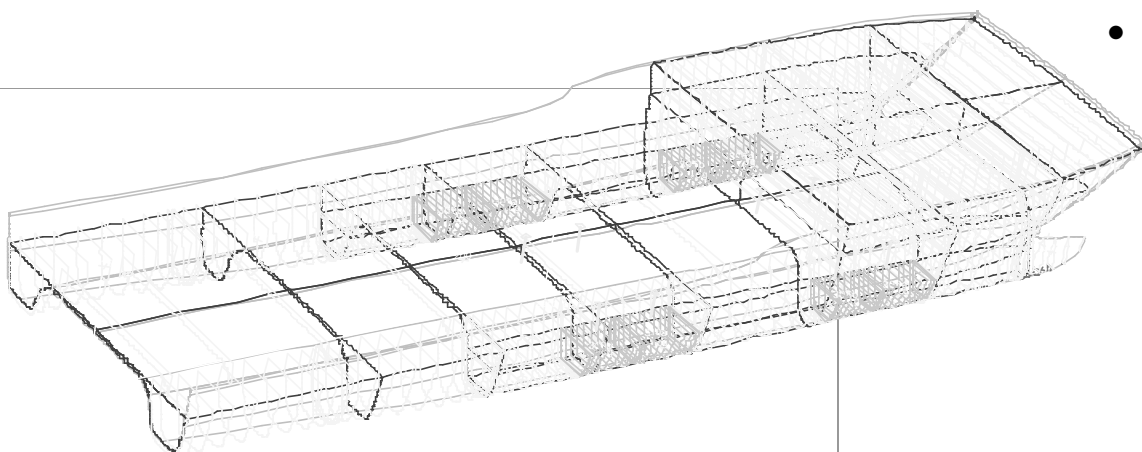
When draft increases:

- Displacement and WSA increase linearly due to vertical sides of hull
- LCB, LCF move back
- Transverse and longitudinal metacentric radii decrease resulting to lower but still more than efficient stability

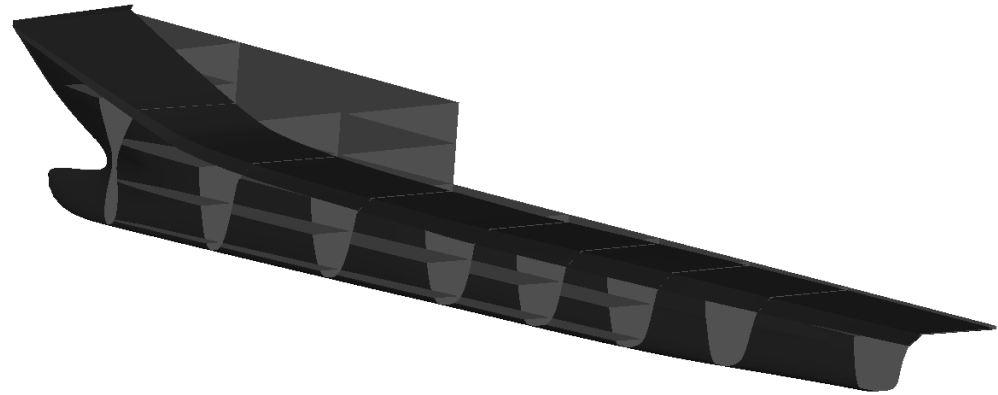
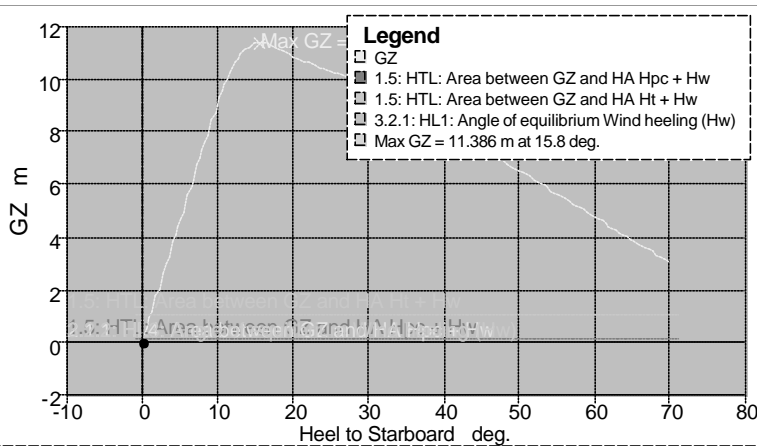
# Equilibrium conditions

	Total Weight (ltons)	Draft (m)	LCG (m)
Empty of cargo - Low fuels	963.5	2.2	-0.66
Full of cargo - Low fuels	1959	3.4	-3.22
Full of cargo - Hi fuels	2219	3.8	-2.60

- Very large variation of characteristics with cargo
- Challenge to maintain neutral trim
  - In general, catamarans very sensitive due to small WPA
  - Usage of ballast tanks had to be avoided due to extra weight, system complexity, environmental considerations
- Tankage volume 140% of required for specified range
  - Negligible KG correction for free surface
  - Adaptability: replacing 130 tons of cargo with fuel will result to ~40% higher range



# Intact and Damaged Stability

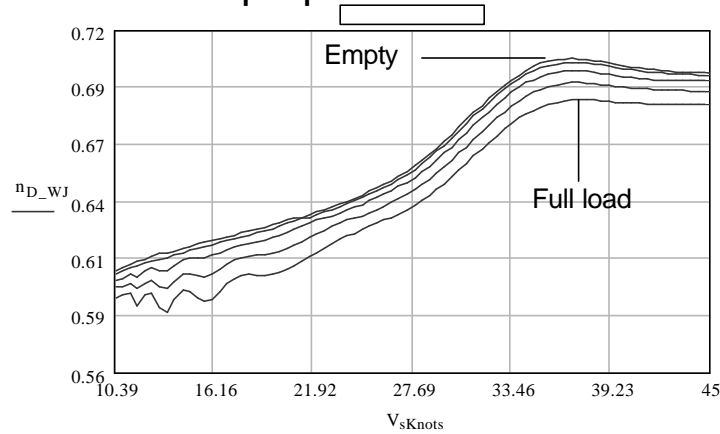


- Fulfills IMO Intact and Damaged stability requirements
- High max GZ value
- Low equilibrium angles
- Max GZ appears at a small angle of inclination due to
  - high metacentric height
  - extremely high beam/freeboard

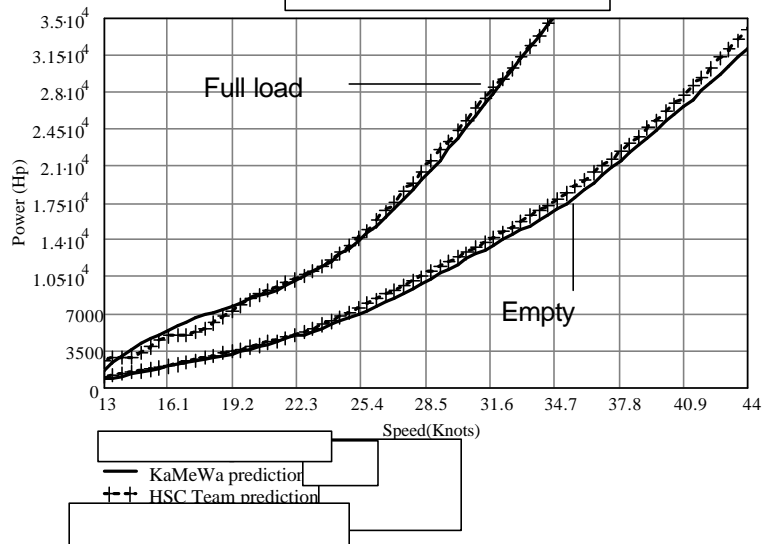
- Double hull extending from FW perpendicular to FW machinery room
- Compartment subdivision: Designed for 15%LWL floodable length



## Variation of overall propulsive coefficient with speed & draft



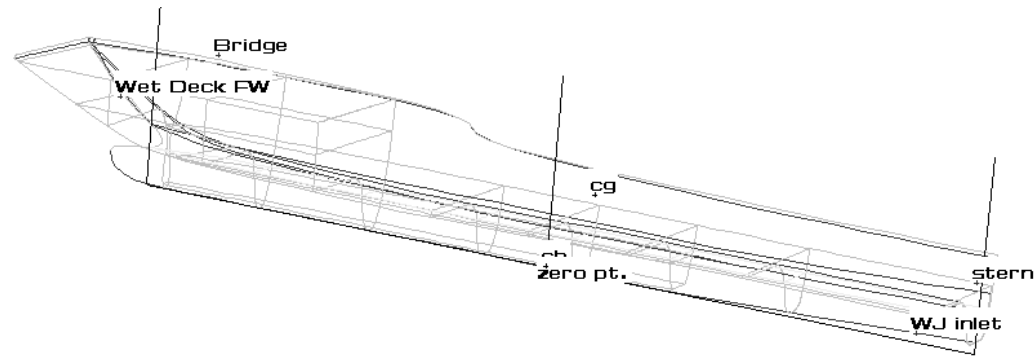
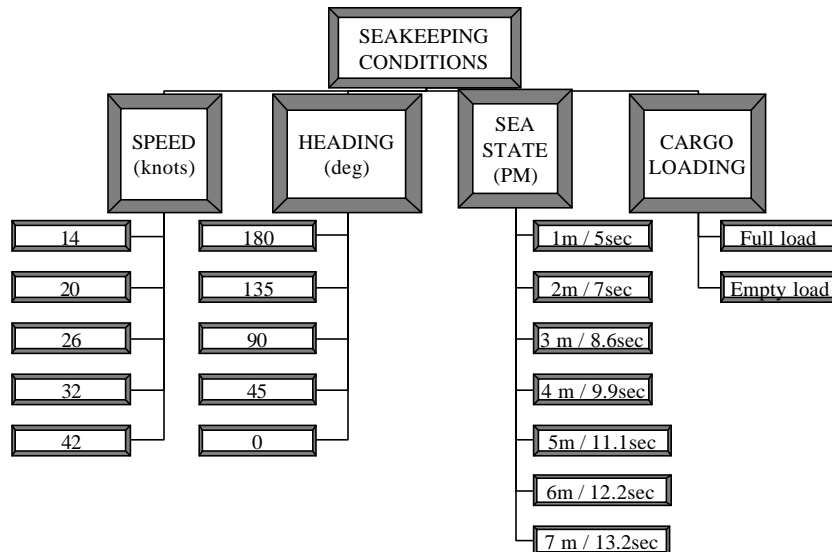
## Power requirements



## Achievable speeds

Condition	Speed (knots)	
	Full	Empty
After consumption of 10% margin	33	43.1
Sea Trials	34.1	44.1

## Examined Conditions



## Criteria

- Roll angles
- Pitch angles
- Accelerations at the bridge
- Wet deck slamming
- Waterjet aeration
- Deck wetness at the stern

LOCATION	MEASURE (in significant values)	LIMIT VALUE	
		Full Load	Empty
CG	Roll angle (deg)	8	8
CG	Pitch angle (deg)	3	3
Bridge	Absolute vertical acceleration(m/sec <sup>2</sup> )	0.5g	0.5g
Bridge	Lateral vertical acceleration (m/sec <sup>2</sup> )	0.2g	0.2g
Wet deck FW	Relative vertical motion (m)	4.7	5.9
Stern ramp	Relative vertical motion (m)	2.1	3.7
WaterJet inlet	Relative vertical motion (m)	2.9	1.3

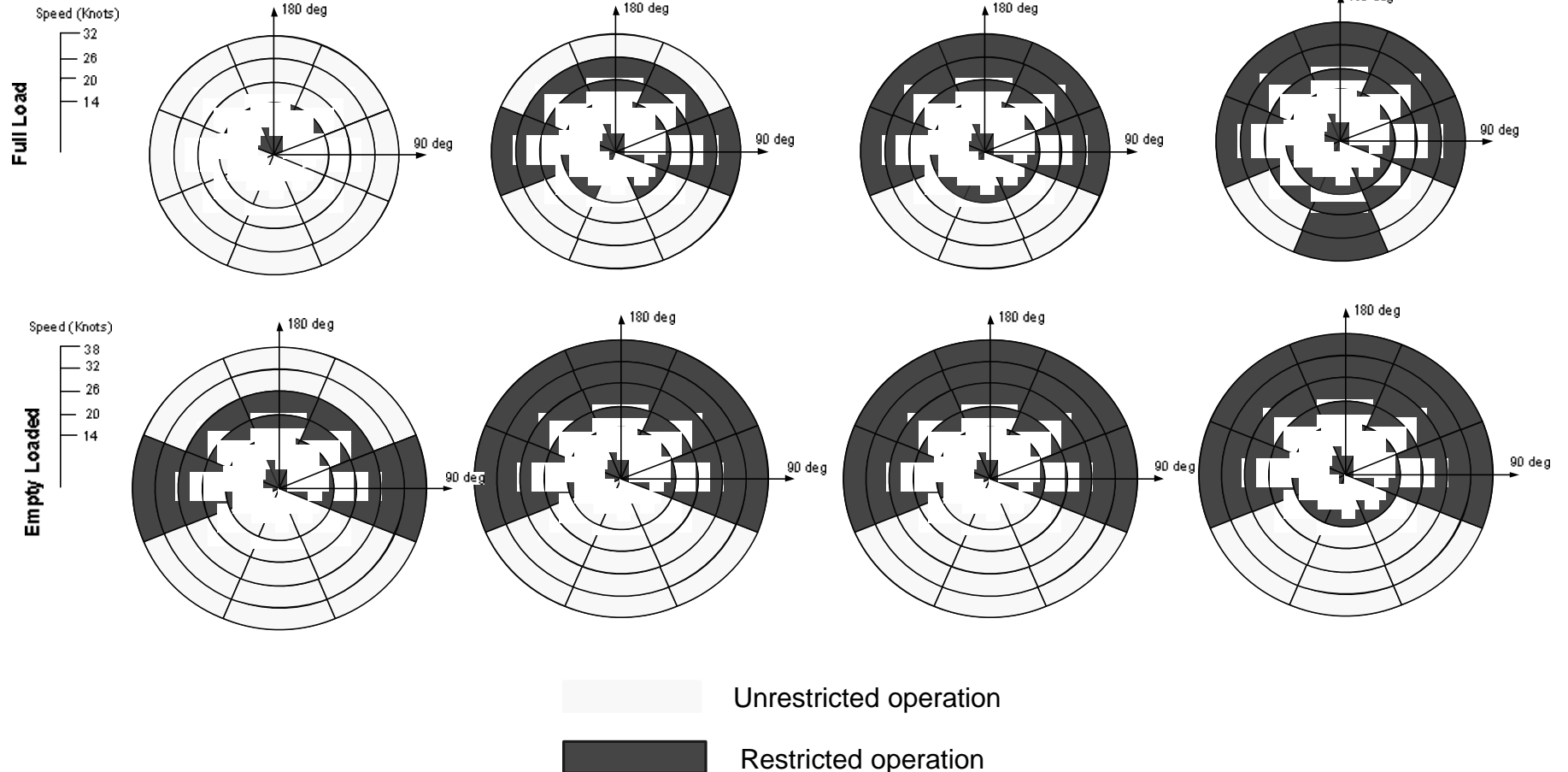
# Seakeeping Results

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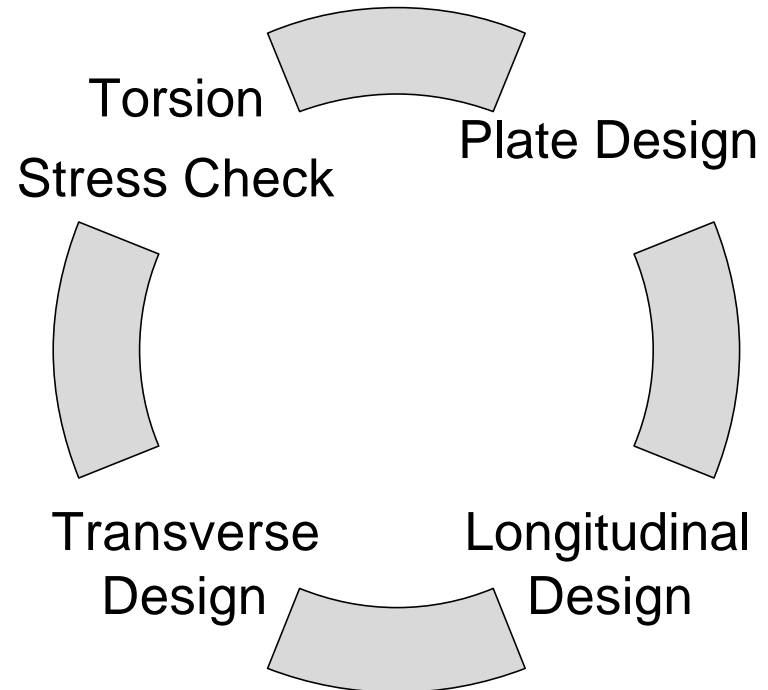
Wave Height 5m

Wave Height 6m

Wave Height 7m

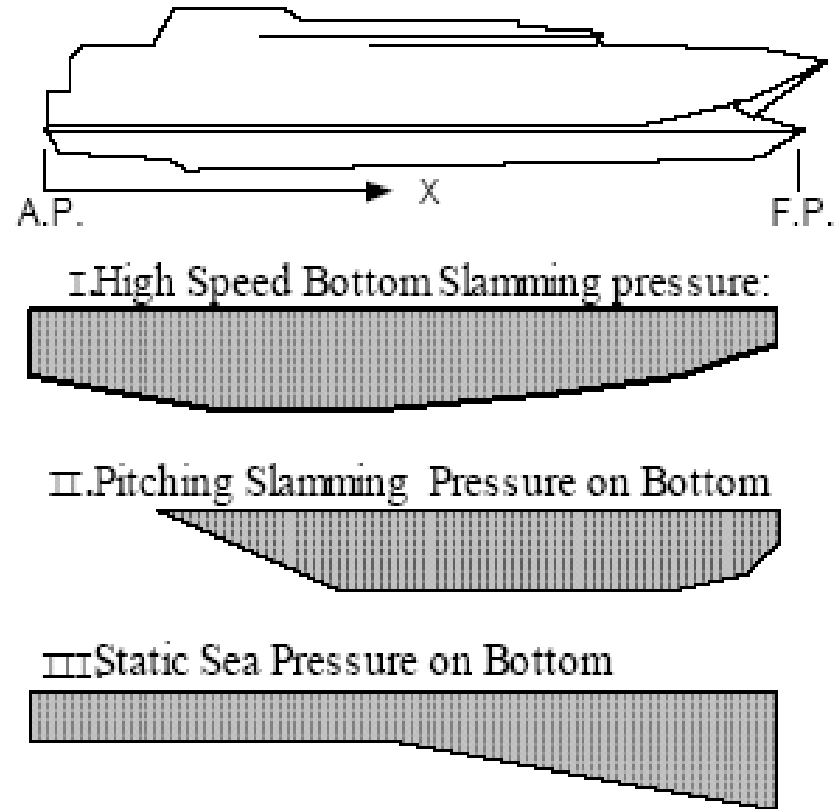


- Design Criteria
  - Based On Det Norske Veritas (DNV) High Speed Light Ship Rules.
- Iterative Process
  - Plate Design (boundary conditions: clamped-clamped)
  - Longitudinal Girder/Stiffener Design
  - Transverse Web Frame Design
  - Torsion Stress Check



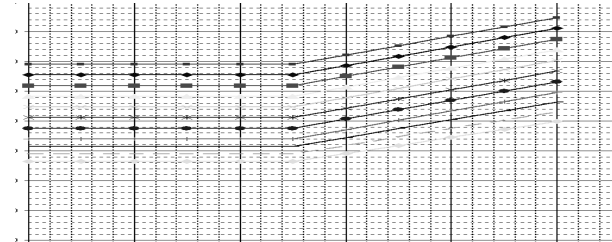
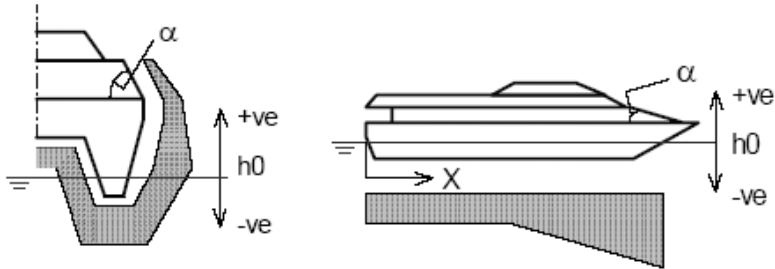
# Loading Stresses

- Major Factors
  - Speed
  - Loading Condition
  - Sea State Condition
  - Geometry (length, width, draft)
- Stress Due To
  - Water Pressure
  - Longitudinal Bending
  - Slamming (bottom, cross-structure)
  - Forward Motion (bow bottom, side)
  - Vehicle Loading

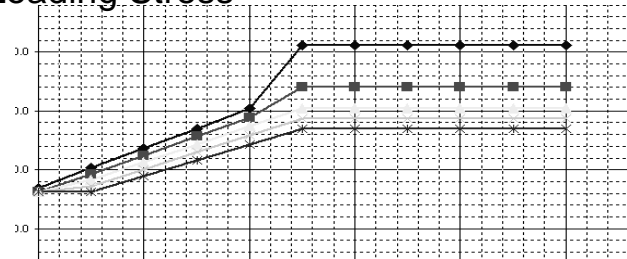
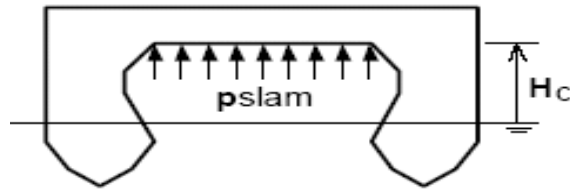


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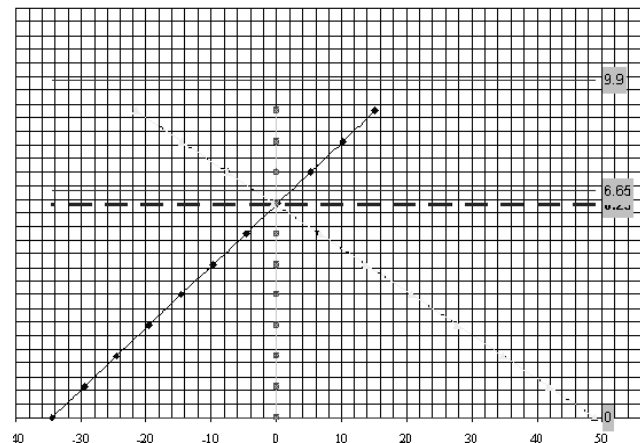
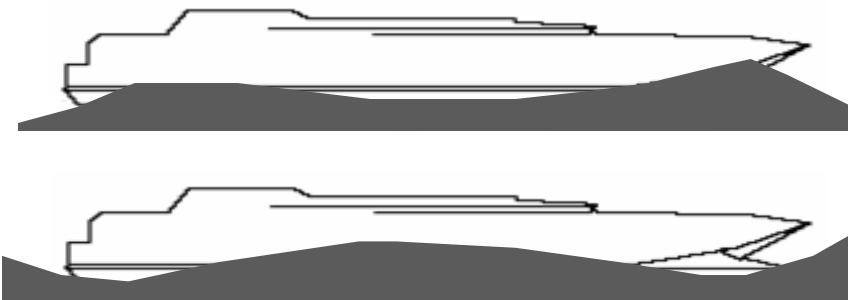
Sea Pressure Loading Stress



Slamming Pressure Loading Stress

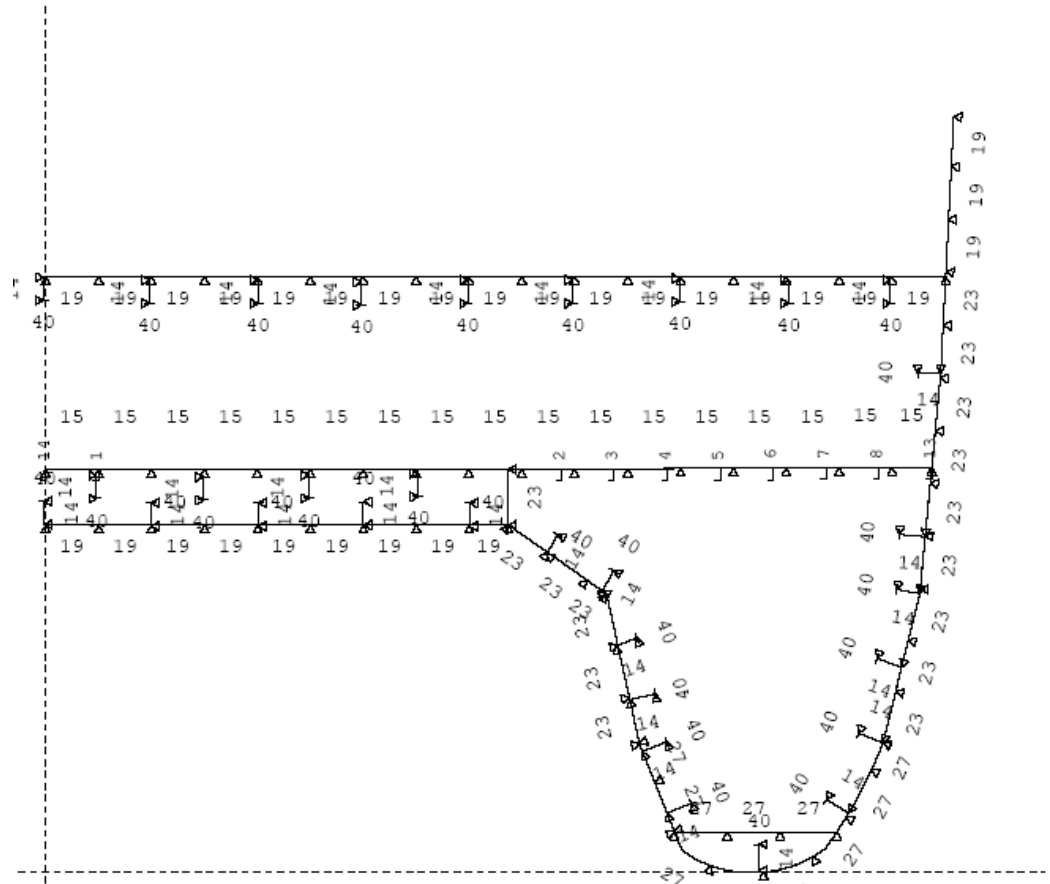


Longitudinal Bending Stress



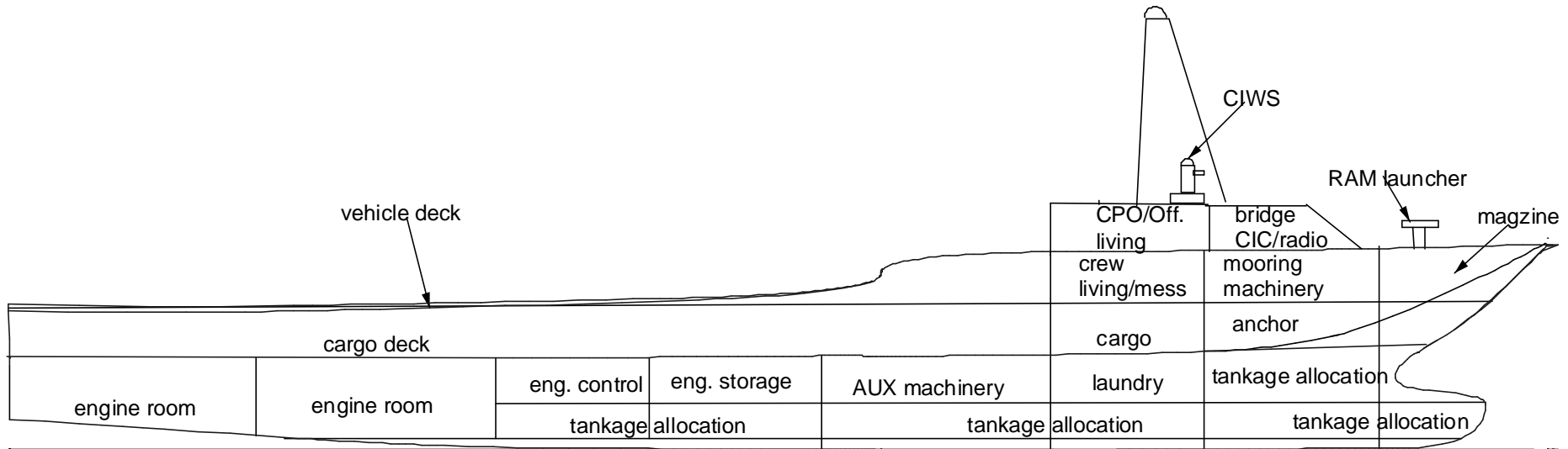
# Scantling Design Results

- Material
  - Aluminum Alloy 3008H18
  - Density: 2730 kg per cubic meter
  - Yielding stress 225 Mpa
- Plate (5x1.849 m)
  - 27mm
  - 23mm
  - 19mm
- Stiffener
  - Type 243 CY FdaTb
  - Fundia TB 160x40 (two sizes)
- Webframe
  - Same type (two sizes).
- Safety Factor >3
  - Maxi stress 72 Mpa in Web frame with torsion

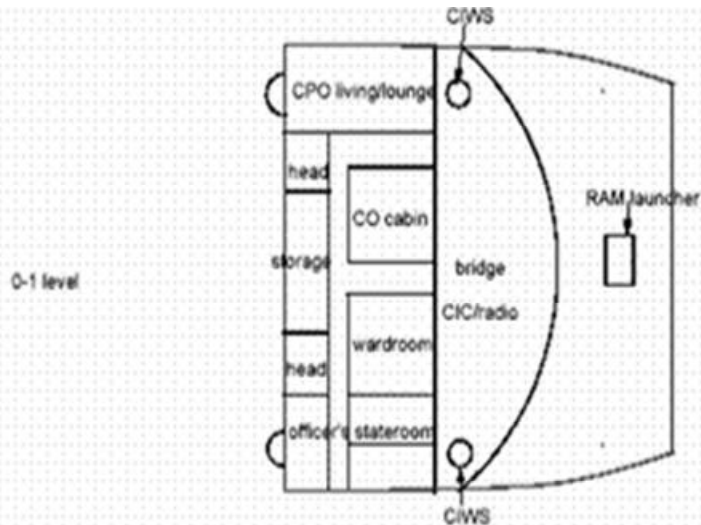


# Arrangement

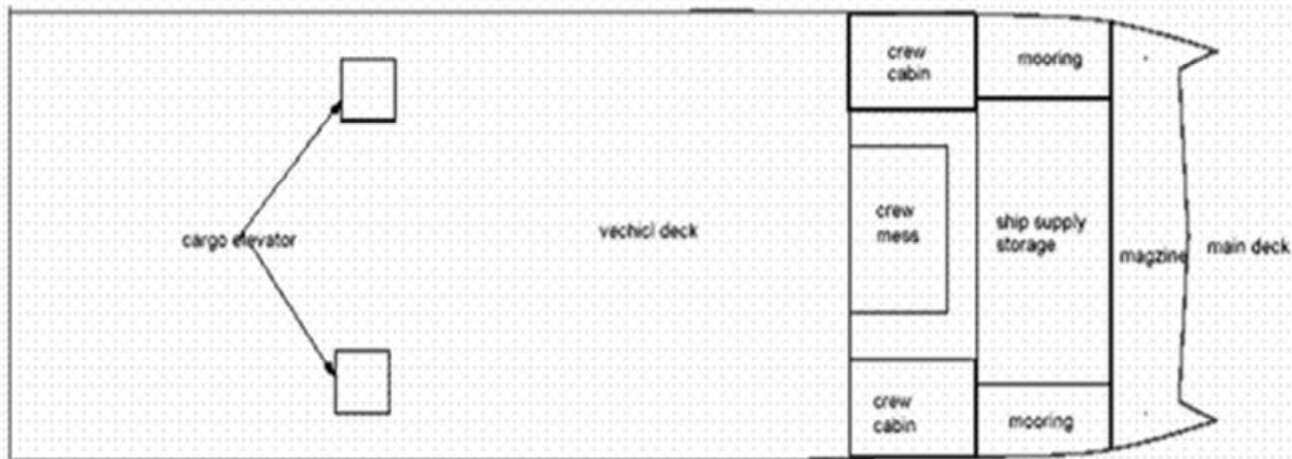
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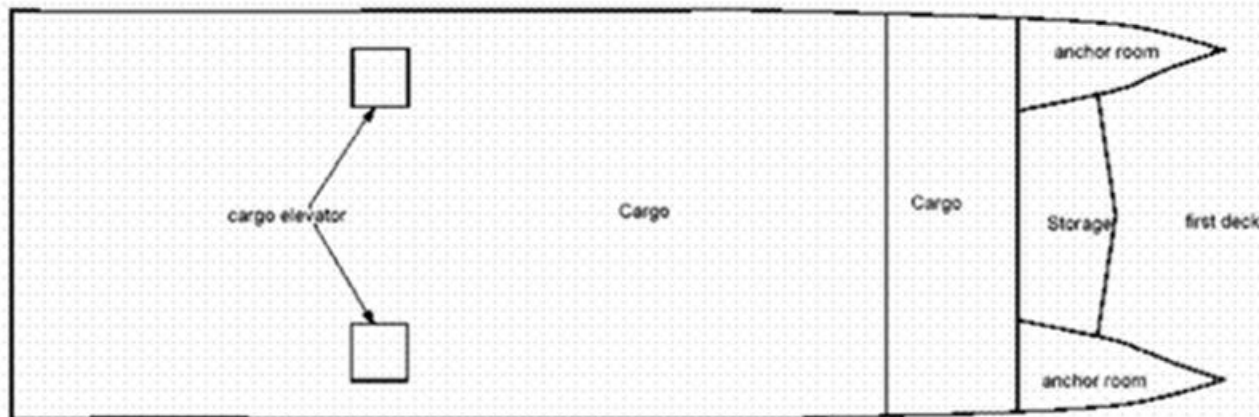
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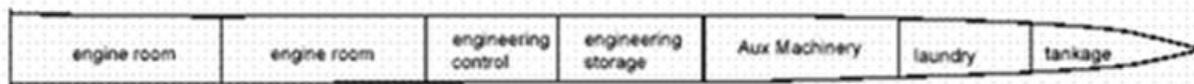
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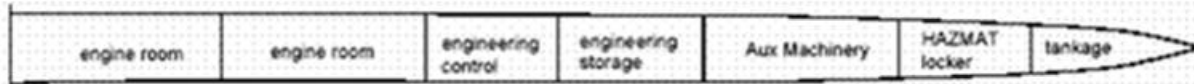


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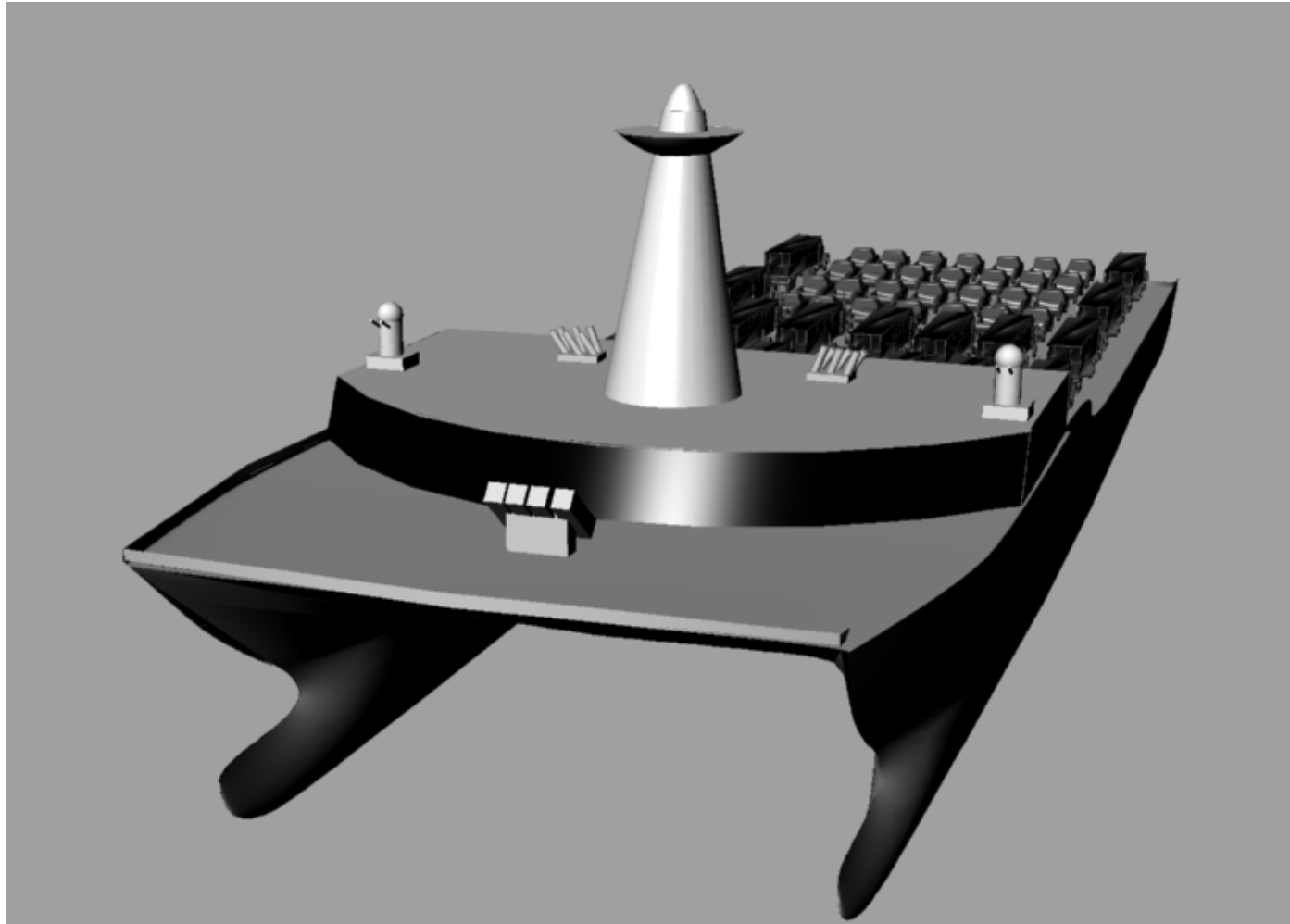


second deck

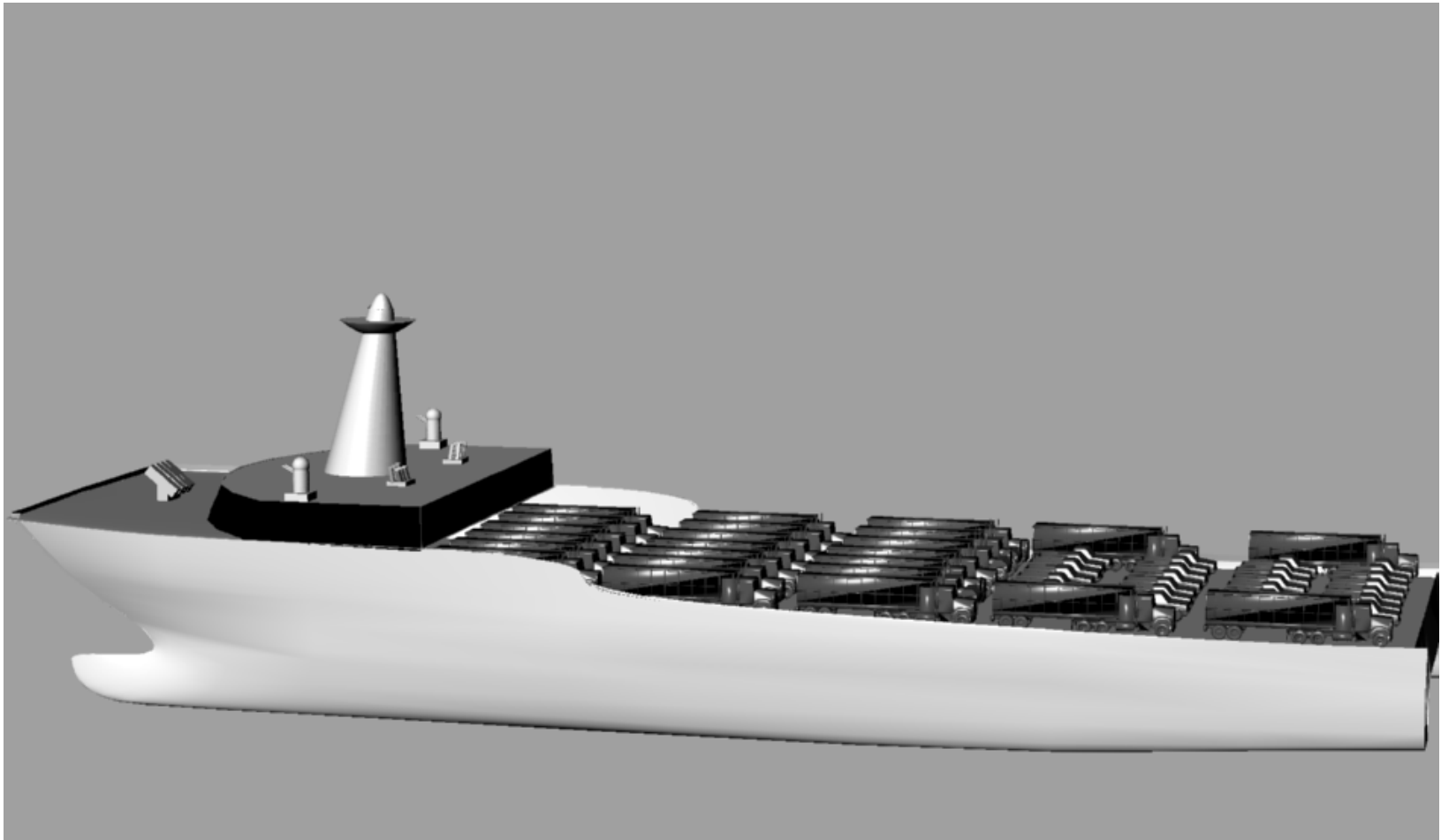
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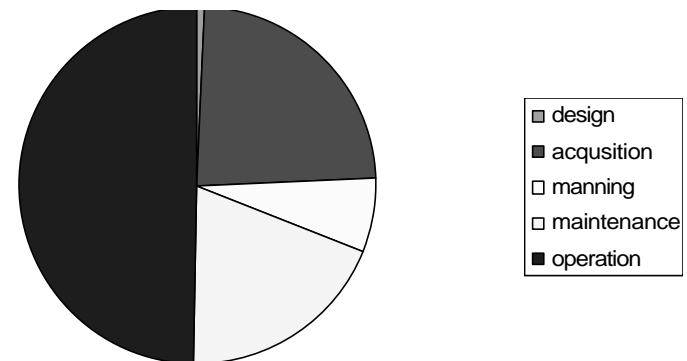
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# Cost

- Parametric ESWBS weight groups
  - Material Cost
  - Labor Cost
- Adjusted for individual items
  - Engines
  - Gensets
  - Gear boxes, cables.
- Life Cycle Cost (in 2005 US dollar)
  - 20-year span
  - 4-ship class
  - Including
    - Design: 4.42 million
    - Acquisition: 186.5 million
    - Manning: 3.95 million/year
    - Maintenance: 11.5 million/year
    - Operational Cost: 29.5 million/year
  - Total 780.12 million/195 million per ship.
  - Annual cost per ship: 9.75 million

Production Number	Cost Per Ship (\$Million)
ship#1	59.8606
ship#2	42.393
ship#3	42.1831
ship#4	42.0616
Total	186.4983



# Conclusion

- **Success**
  - Achieved payload of 1000 tons.
  - Partially achieved speed goal of >40 knots.
  - Low-draft, agile, inexpensive and versatile.
- **Future Works**
  - To consider the dynamic stress load of the ramp to the stern structure
  - To design propulsion system and control for dynamic station-keeping while unloading.

	Threshold	Goal	Achieved
Speed	32kts	>40kts	34-44kts
Payload	500 tons	1000 tons	1000 tons
Range	2000 nm	2000 nm	2100 nm
Cost	150 million	50 million	46 million

Principal Ship Characteristics		
Displacement	2222	LT
Draft (Full Load)	3.8	m
LWL	91.6	m
Beam WL	30.15	m
Manning	29	Personnel
Power Plant	4	MTU 20V 1163 TB7.3L Diesels
Propulsion	4	KaMeWa Quadruple 112 SII waterjets
Speed - Full Load	34	Knots
Speed - Light Ship	44	Knots
Range (Full load, max speed)	2100	nm

# Questions?

