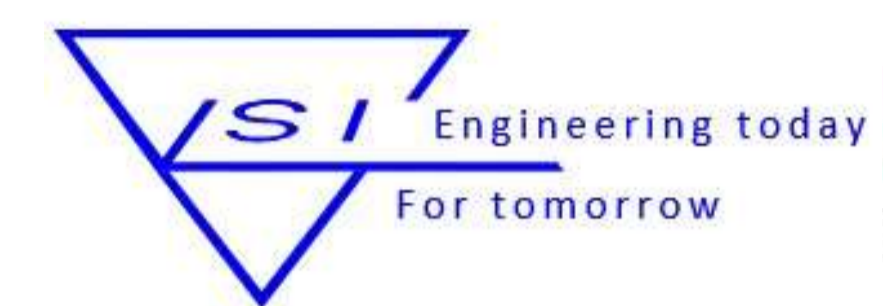


FLOATING MODULAR ASSEMBLY OF WIND TURBINE FLOATERS

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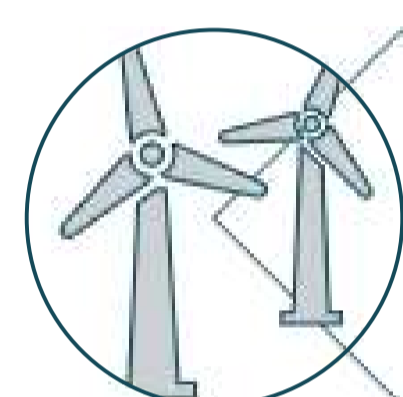
1. INTRODUCTION

- Challenge in FOWT fabrication for ports. (Veers et al., 2023)
- Large member of heavy offshore floaters. (Crowle & Thies, 2022)
- Not big enough dry docks for entire floater construction (Elkinton et al., 2014)
- Modular concrete floater floating construction



Global floating wind forecast (Global Offshore Wind Report 2023)

• 83% → 270%



EC Estimated increase of offshore wind energy in Europe (MITECO)

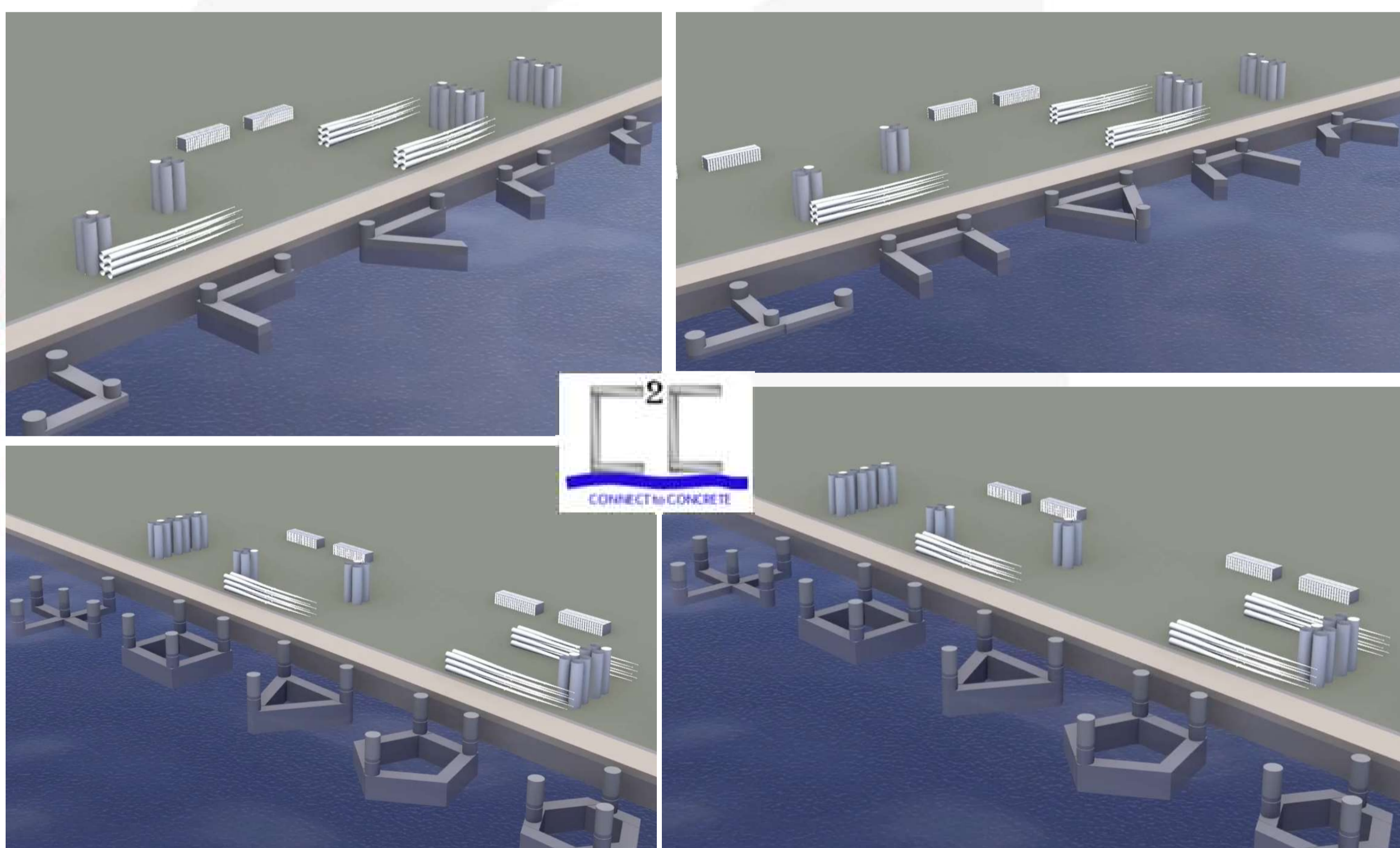
• 12 GW → 450 GW



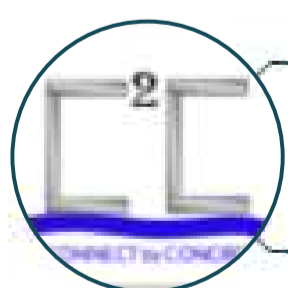
Global target for offshore wind generation (Global Offshore Wind Report 2023)

• 2500 GW

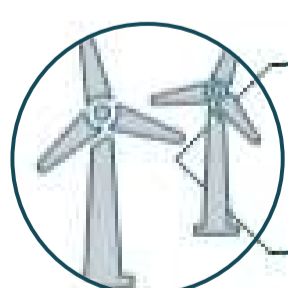
3. MODULAR FLOATER FABRICATION



FOWT concrete floaters constructed by modules



Floating caissons mating made by C2C Patent

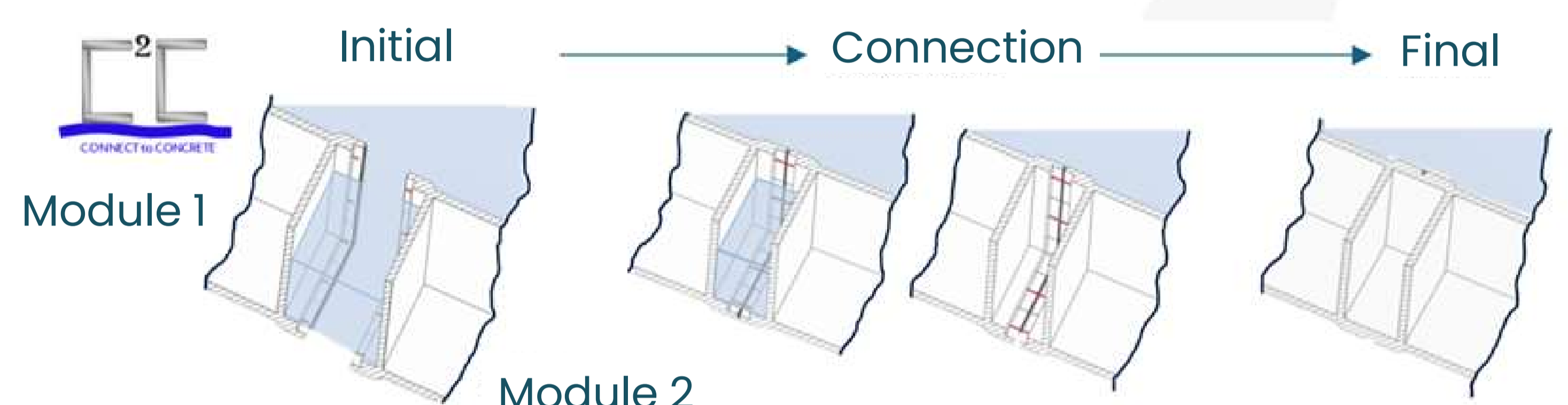


Adaptable to **ANY TYPE AND SIZE** of floater

CONFIDENTIALITY

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2. C2C. CONNECT 2 CONCRETE[®] PATENT



- Floating concrete modules connection
- All section continuity ensured
- Concrete modular continuous and monolithic platforms
- No divers
- Blocked motions for safety during caissons connection and concreting

Industrial

Safe

Economical

Scalable

Code compliance

Customizable

Adaptable

Modular

4. HYDRODYNAMIC ANALYSIS OF THE MATING

FDA Multibody Analysis input

Joint stiffness analytical estimation

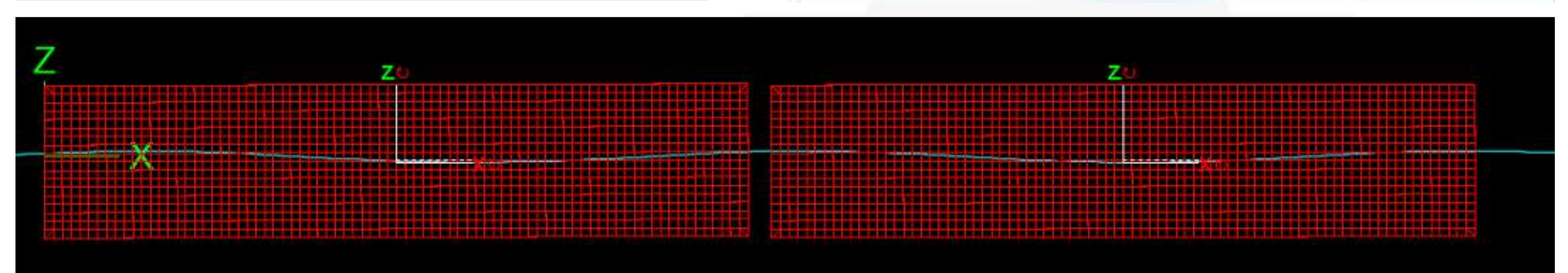
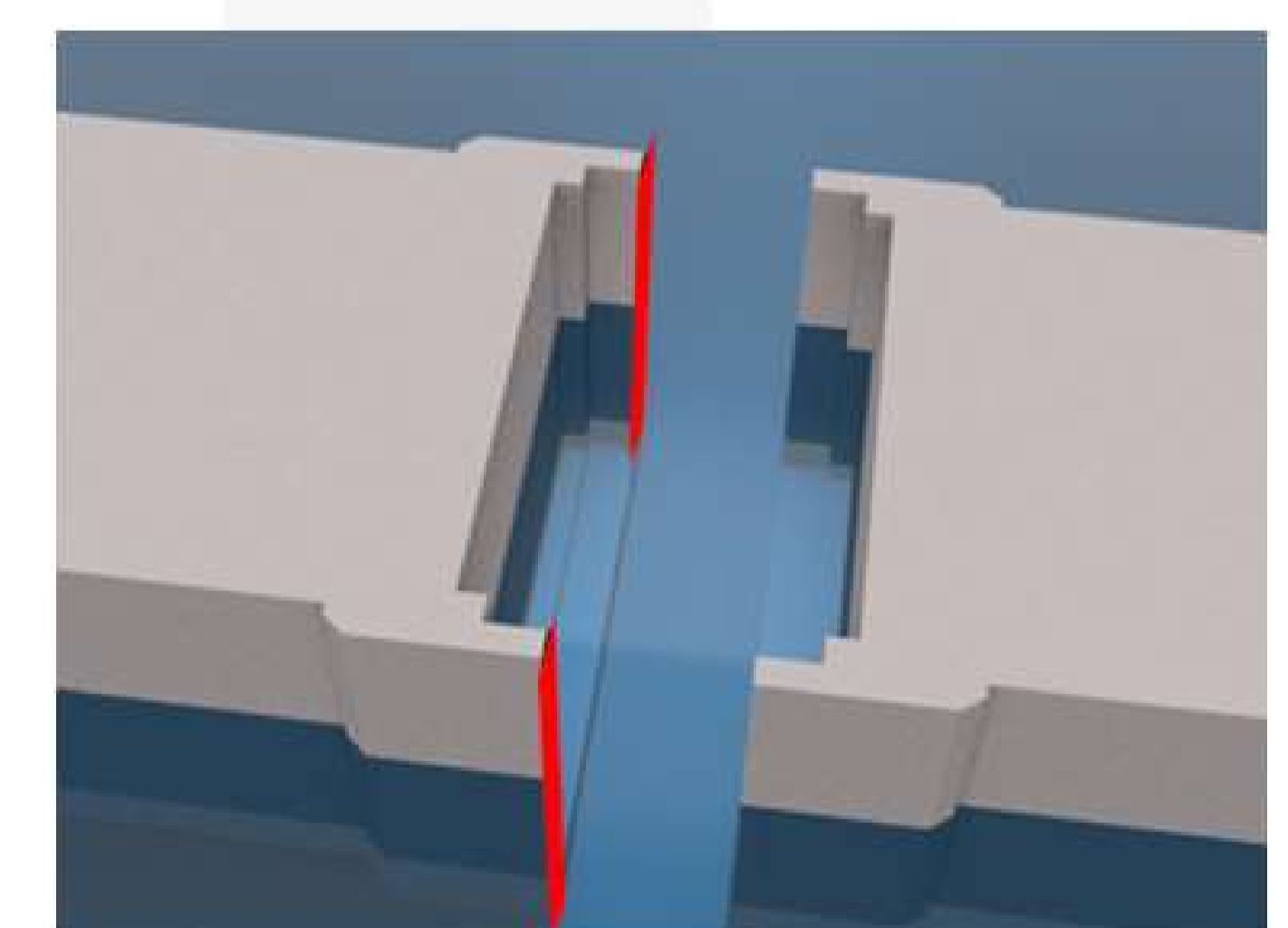
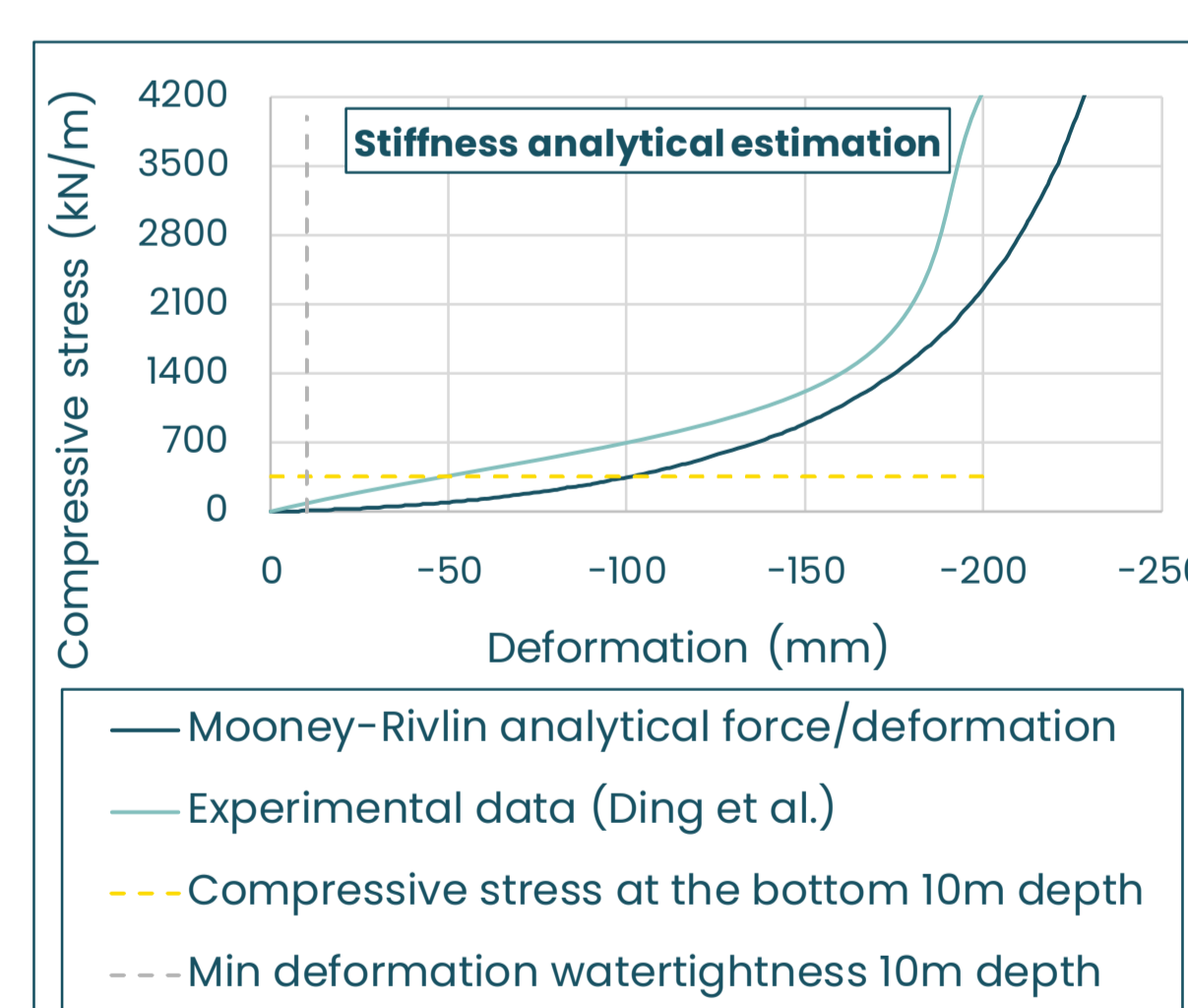
Watertight joint 3D modeling

METHODOLOGY

Dynamic analysis

Ballast heel-trim compensation

Caissons mating



5. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE RESEARCH LINES

- Watertightness compression ensured by installation devices
- Relative caissons motions within tolerances (temporary ballasting)
- Future external alignment aids dynamic analysis
- Future basin test for model calibration

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