



## ***FAST DANUBE***

***Technical Assistance for Revising and Complementing the Feasibility Study  
Regarding the Improvement of Navigation Conditions on the Romanian-Bulgarian Common Sector of the Danube and  
Complementary Studies***



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TECHNICAL WORKSHOP  
AFDJ / IAPPD / Halcrow Romania team

29 Aug 2018, Bucuresti



# Technical Workshop (29 Aug'18)

- Revised options – Bechet / Corabia / Belene / Popina
- Design approach – morphological principles to option selection
- Design approach – river training structures / islands
- Design approach – bank stabilisation
- Options appraisal – modelling results
- MCA – multi-criteria (objective) analysis
- Adaptive management



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Short presentation – TECHNICAL WORKSHOP  
DESIGN APPROACH – RIVER TRAINING STRUCTURES / ISLANDS

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# River training structures/islands

- Feasibility designs
- Geosynthetic tubes

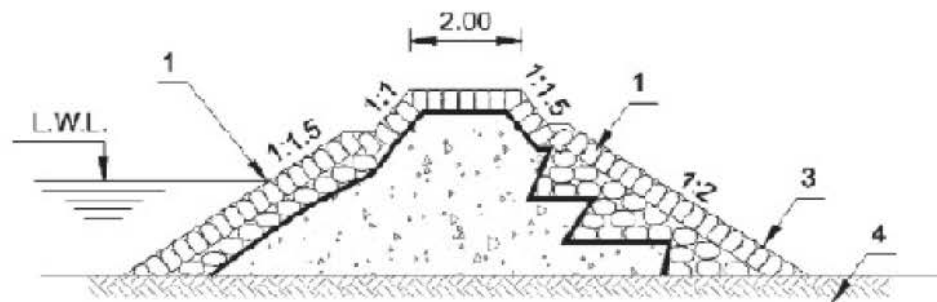
Best practice:

- Mississippi, US
- Lower Columbia River, US
- Kootenai/Lower Meander River, US
- Rhine, Holland (Rijkswaterstaat)
- mid-Danube, Austria (Bad Deutsch Altenberg/Witzeldorf Project between Vienna and Bratislava – deregulation of the river ie environmental restoration involving Prof Habersack)

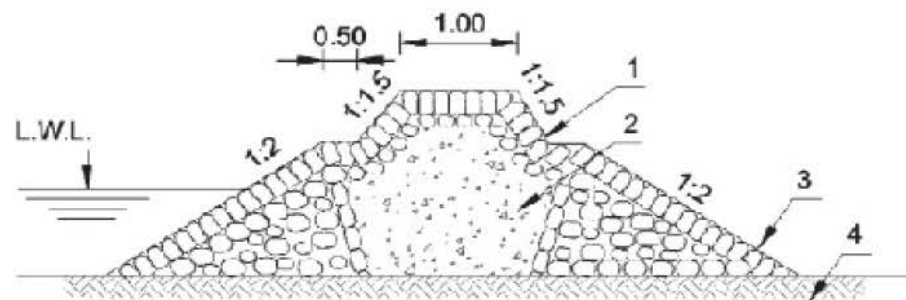


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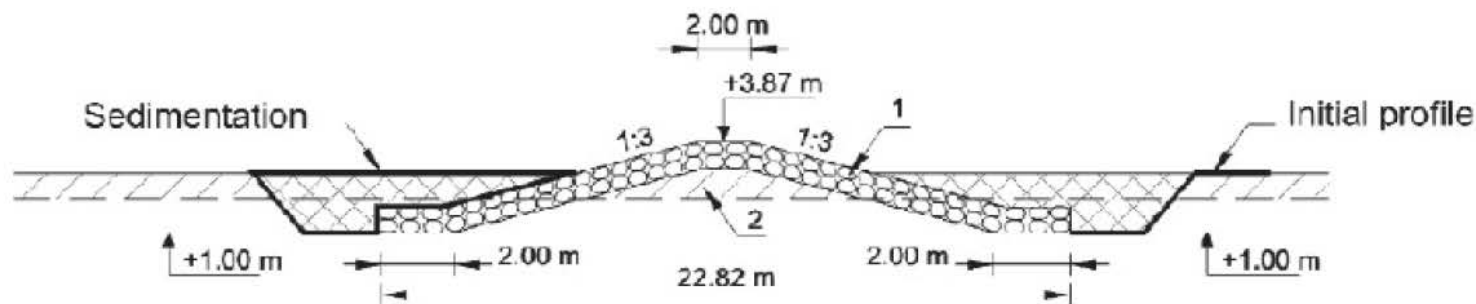


(a) High spur or longitudinal dike



(b) High spur or longitudinal dike

- 1 Cover layer (loose, pitched or grouted stones)
- 2 Gravel
- 3 Rip-rap
- 4 Sub-soil or coarse-broken stone



(c) Low spur-dike

Figure 8: River training structure typical cross sections (source: CIRIA C683)





TYPE 1

MAIN CURRENT DEFLECTED OUTSIDE SPUR DIKE FIELD



TYPE 2

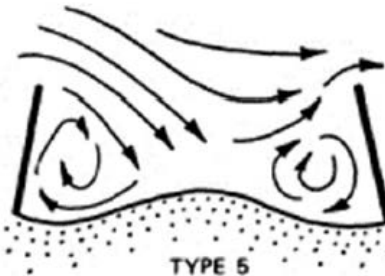


TYPE 3

MAIN CURRENT DIRECTED AT DIKE

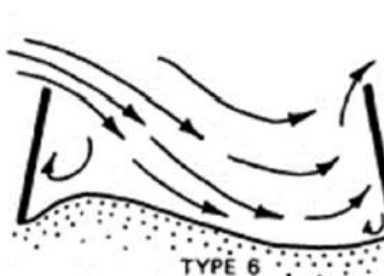


TYPE 4



TYPE 5

MAIN CURRENT DIRECTED AT BANK



TYPE 6



*Pilot project Witzelsdorf – all construction from river*

*Figure 6: Flow patterns between dikes (source: Bank protection techniques using spur dikes)*





***Island building, Wachau, River Danube***  
*(source: Life Nature Wachau, 2008)*



***Island building, Bonners Ferry Island project***  
*(source: Lower Meander Project Design Report, RDG 2017)*



***Cutter suction dredging***



***Causeway construction***



## ***Core material***

Options for sourcing the main core of a new island are:

- Dredged from the river channel: Sand and gravel dredged from the adjacent river bed using a cutter suction dredger and pumped directly onto existing sand bars. Some sand maybe swept downstream by the current during placement – construction should take place during low flow periods. Large earth moving equipment will be used to shape the island as required.

This option requires a large quantity of material to be removed from the river bed and this could include a significant overdig of the fairway to ensure long term navigation improvements. Cutter suction dredging would not be suitable if the river bed is formed from cohesive material or rock. If necessary a sand filled bag/tube or rock containment bund could be placed around the perimeter of the island to provide tranquil conditions inside for depositing dredged material

- Borrow pit: Rock or earth will be excavated from a nearby landside borrow pit, transported to the river then along a causeway to the proposed island location and tipped in place. Large earth moving equipment will be used to shape the island as required



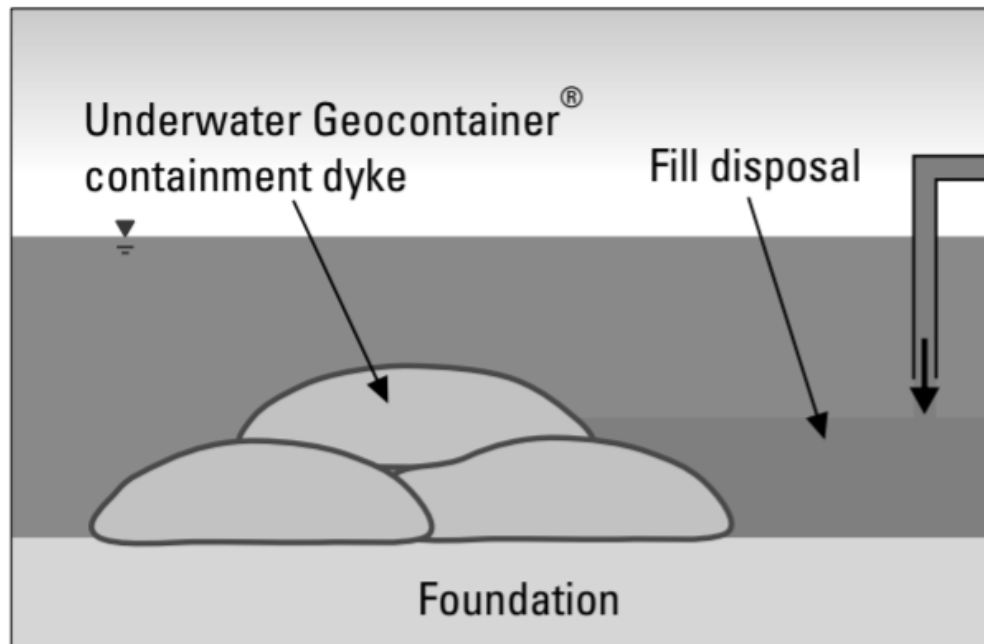
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# Geosynthetic tubes (geo-tubes)

Example of construction option using sand filled geosynthetic tubes for initial building of islands, dikes, groynes and chevrons:

[https://www.rhmooreassociates.com/images/pdf/Geotube-BRO\\_CoastalAndMarine\\_tcm28-43898.pdf](https://www.rhmooreassociates.com/images/pdf/Geotube-BRO_CoastalAndMarine_tcm28-43898.pdf)



**Underwater Geocontainer® containment dyke**

- Geobag system; 2 till 10 m<sup>3</sup>
- Geotube® system; 100 tot 750 m<sup>3</sup>
- Geocontainer® system; 100 tot 600 m<sup>3</sup>

Geosystems are sand filled elements made out of woven high strength textiles. The textiles used are special designed for Geosystems with the same strength in both directions.

In some instances, underwater containment dykes are constructed to retain spoil and other fills in an environmentally acceptable manner.









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# Geotube® system

- Will be filled on position.
- Filling hydraulically with a mixture of sand and water.
- Lengths vary between 30 till 100 meter.
- Diameter vary between 1,6 till 5 meter diameter.
- In relative short period a dam can be constructed.
- Essential is fabric strength and confection, seam strength.

diameter	circum	height	fill	width	width	recommended
				max	base	high strength
D	C	H	F	W	Wb	fabric
m	m	m	m <sup>3</sup> /m <sup>1</sup>	m	m	
1,60	5,0	1,0	1,7	2,0	1,7	GT 750 M
2,50	7,9	1,5	4,1	3,2	2,7	GT 750 M
3,25	10,2	2,0	6,9	4,2	3,5	GT 1000 M
4,00	12,6	2,4	10,4	5,1	4,3	GT 1000 M
5,00	15,7	2,7	16,3	6,4	6,0	GT 1000 M



## Dawlish Warren Beach Management Scheme

September 2017

### Project update



A total length of 460m of GeoTube defence



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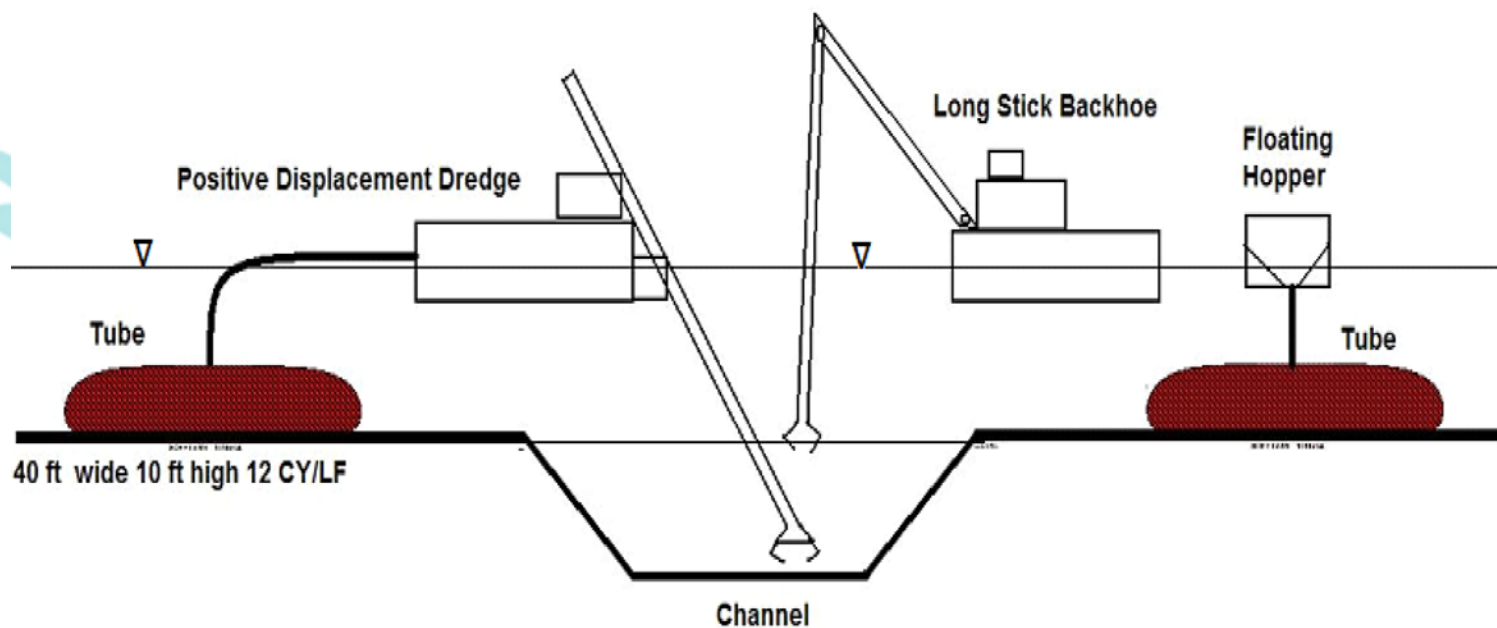




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# Filling Tubes Underwater





## Installation/filling time

Giving: Geotube<sup>®</sup> diameter 4 meter  
fillingheight 2,4 meter, length 50 meters.

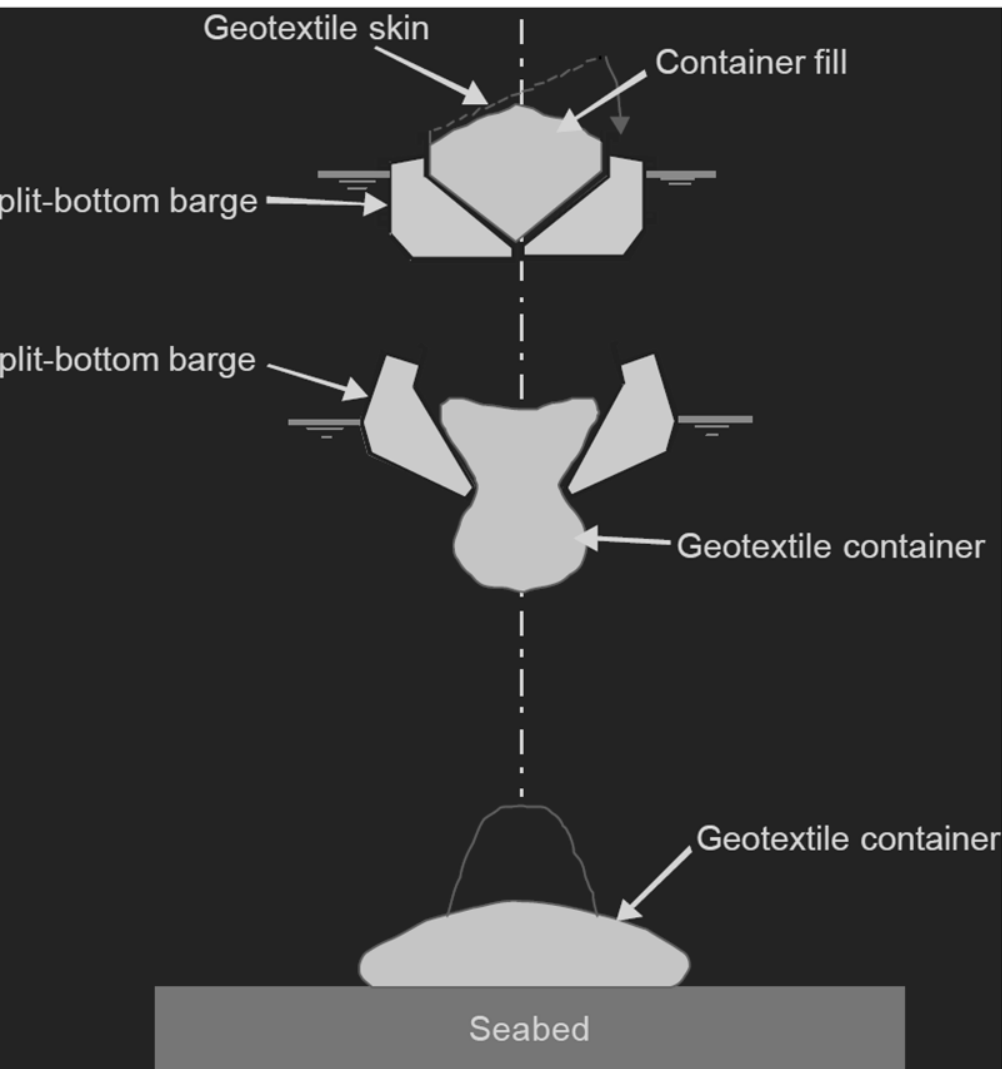
Total volume to be filled with  $50 \times 10,4 = 520 \text{ m}^3$

pumpcapacity 400 m<sup>3</sup>/hour at 15 % mixture (60 m<sup>3</sup>/hour)

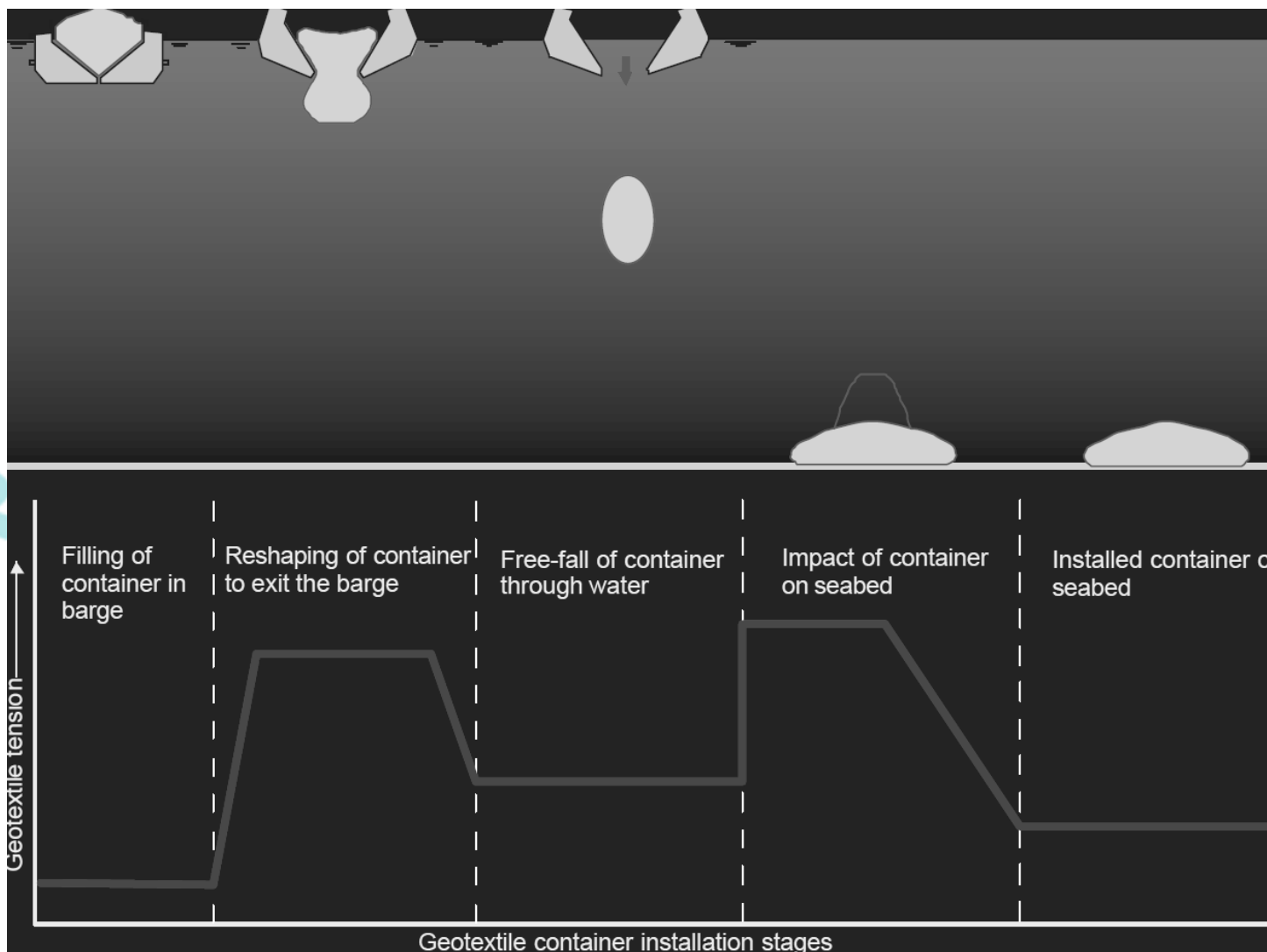
It will take around  $520/60 = 9$  hours to fill the Geotube<sup>®</sup>.



# Geocontainer<sup>®</sup> system



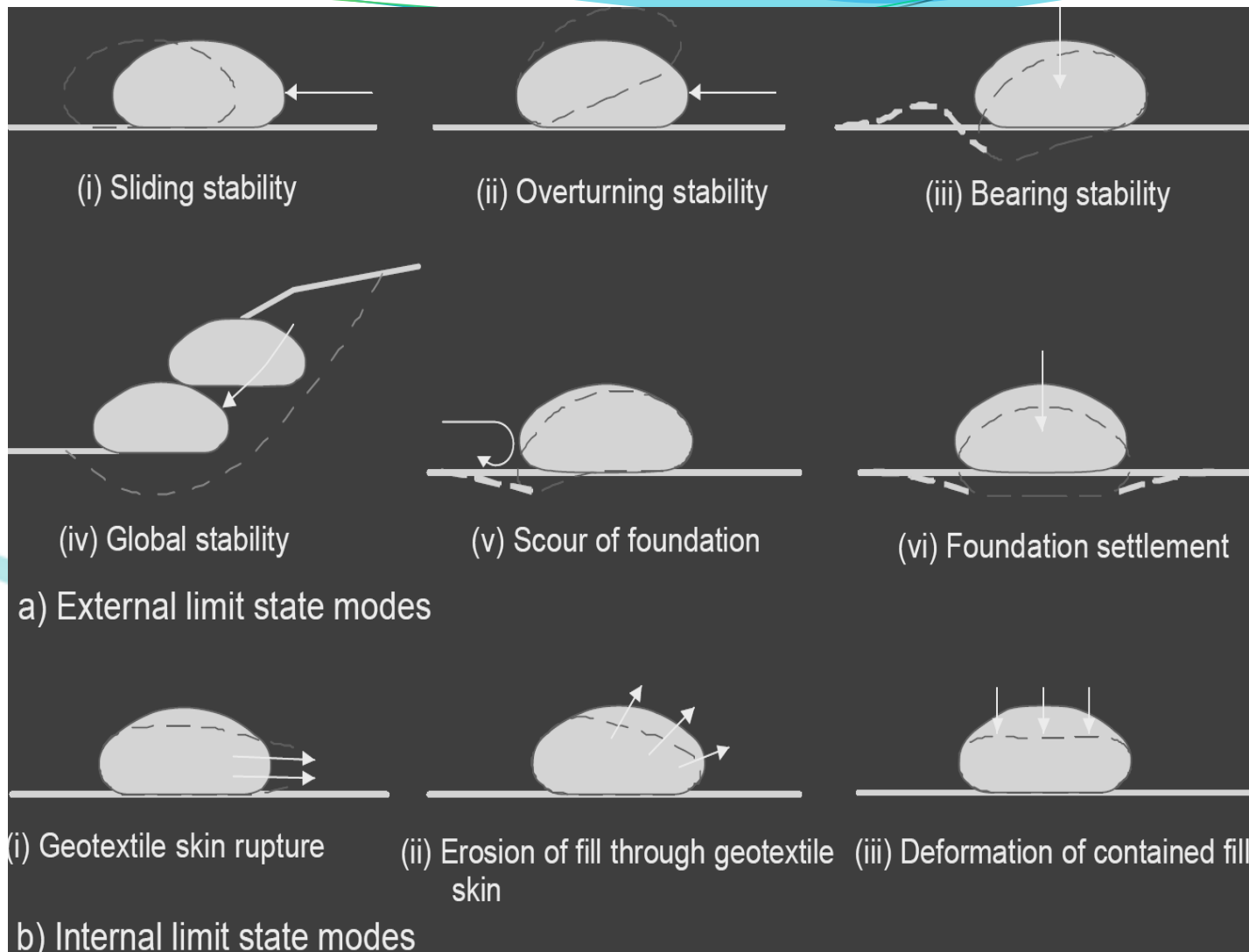
- Geocontainer<sup>®</sup> are installed by split-bottom barges
- Two types of applications:
  - Structural, submarine, mass-gravity units
  - Contained, submarine disposal of contaminated sediments
- For hydraulic applications container volumes are in range 100 to 600 m<sup>3</sup>
  - Smaller volumes give better installed tolerances and are more easily installed but are more costly



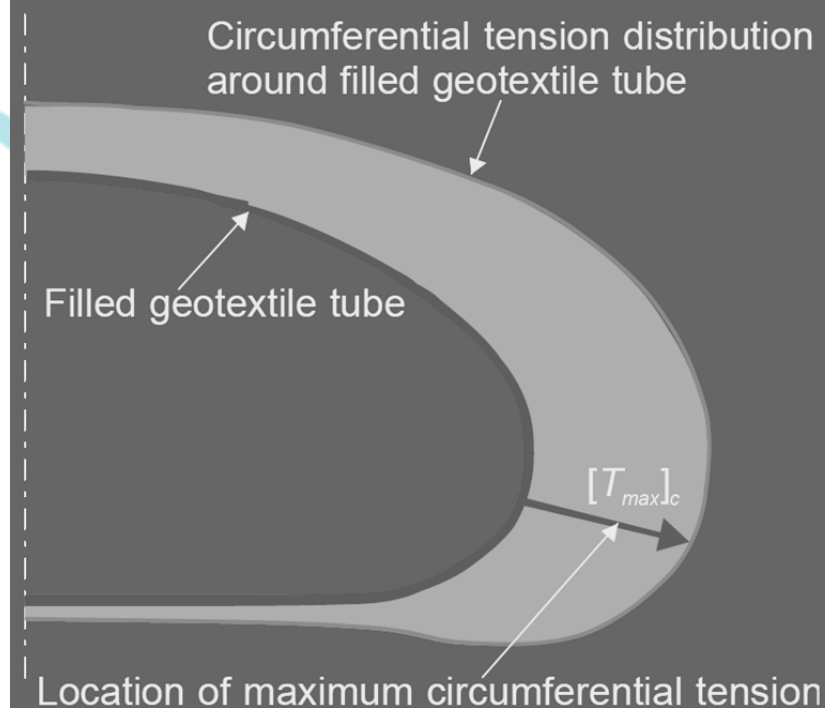
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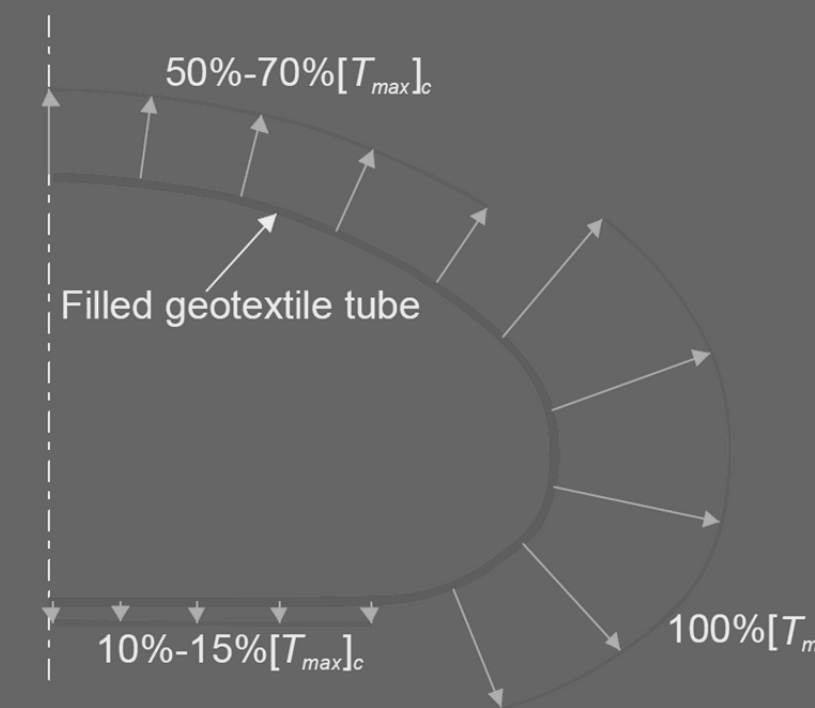




a) Circumferential tension distribution around a filled geotextile tube



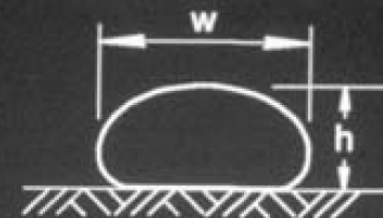
b) Approximation of circumferential tension distribution in terms of  $[T_{max}]_c$







- Circumference of tube,  $L=9$  m
- No outside water
- $\gamma_{slurry} / \gamma_{water} = 1.2$
- No safety factors on geosynthetic strength



$$T_{ult} = 875.0 \text{ kN/m}$$

$$\left(\frac{h}{w} = 0.98\right)$$

$$p_o = 593.4 \text{ kPa}$$

$$\text{Area} = 6.66 \text{ m}^2$$

$$h = 2.9 \text{ m}$$

$$T_{ult} = 87.5 \text{ kN/m}$$

$$\left(\frac{h}{w} = 0.83; \quad p_o = 52.4 \text{ kPa}\right)$$

$$\text{Area} = 6.51 \text{ m}^2; \quad h = 2.6 \text{ m}$$

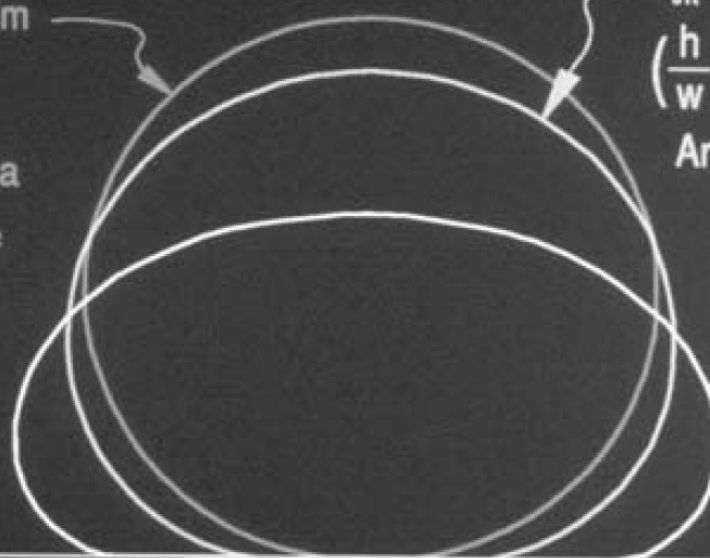
$$T_{ult} = 14.6 \text{ kN/m}$$

$$\left(\frac{h}{w} = 0.50\right)$$

$$p_o = 4.8 \text{ kPa}$$

$$\text{Area} = 5.56 \text{ m}^2$$

$$h = 1.8 \text{ m}$$



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