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Project

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Steel – Glass Roof Skylight and Glass Cable- Net Facades**

- preliminary ideas -

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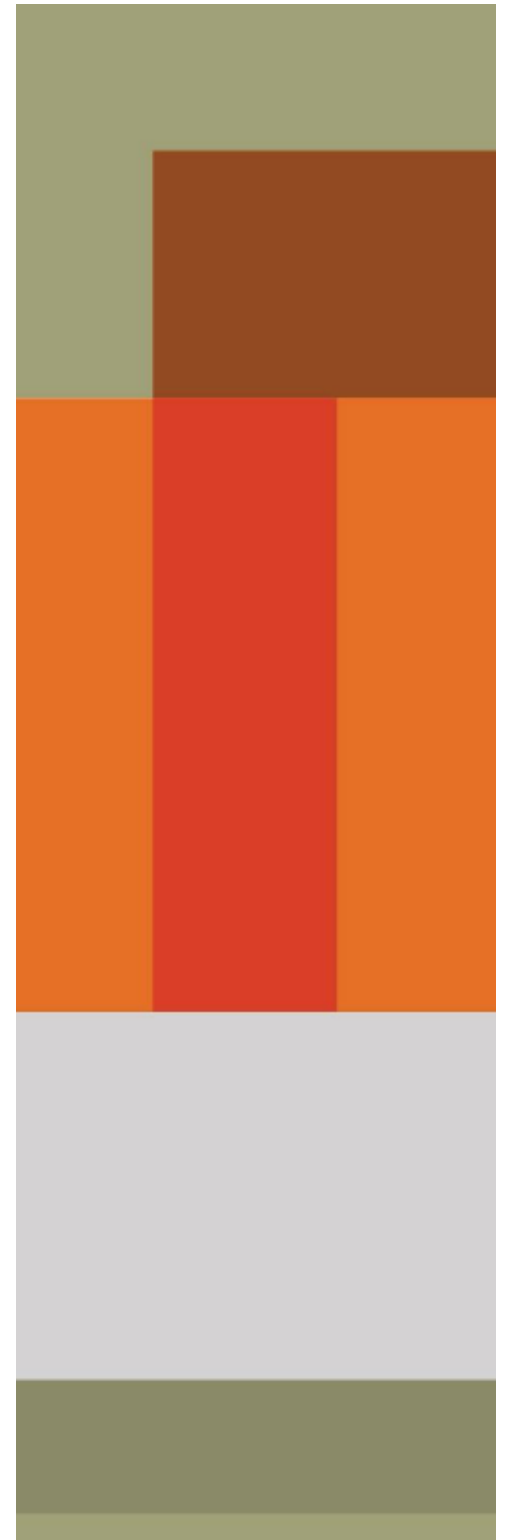
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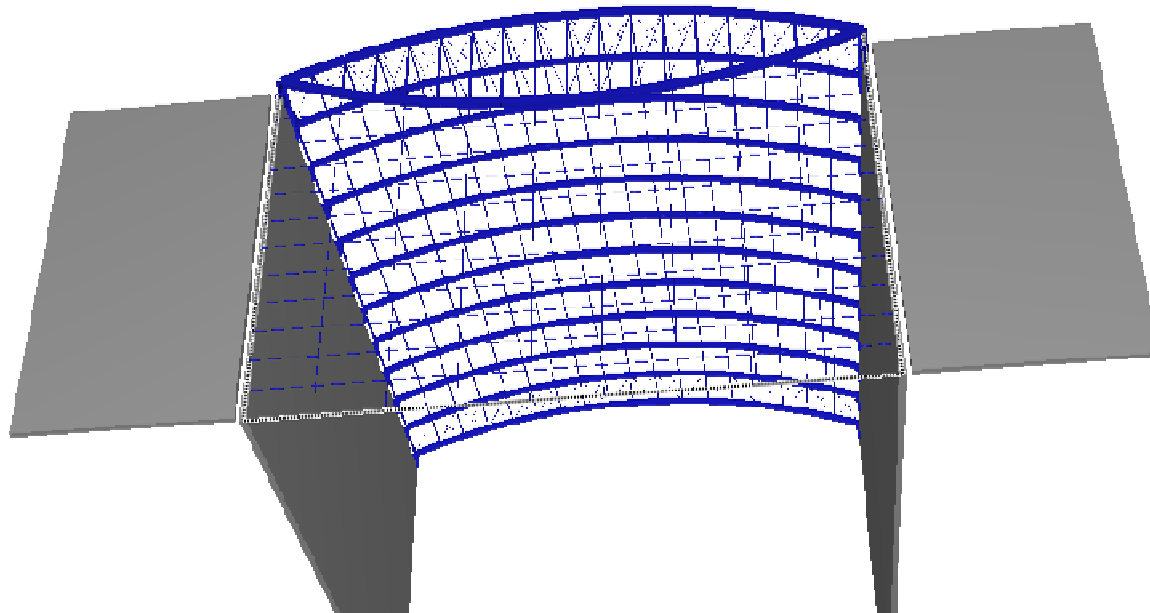


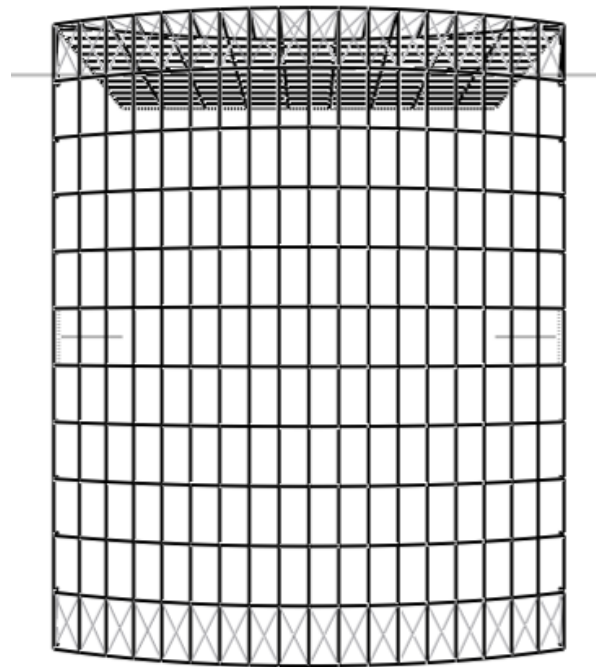
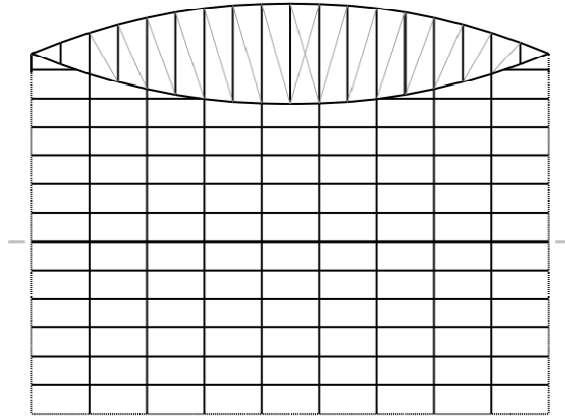
Introduction

Thornton Tomasetti SKIN & SPECIALTY group has been asked by KPF Architects to support their steel-glass design for the transparent roof and cable- net front façade from a structural and façade engineering point of view. This report summarizes one concept option (roof arches) and gives preliminary member sizes.

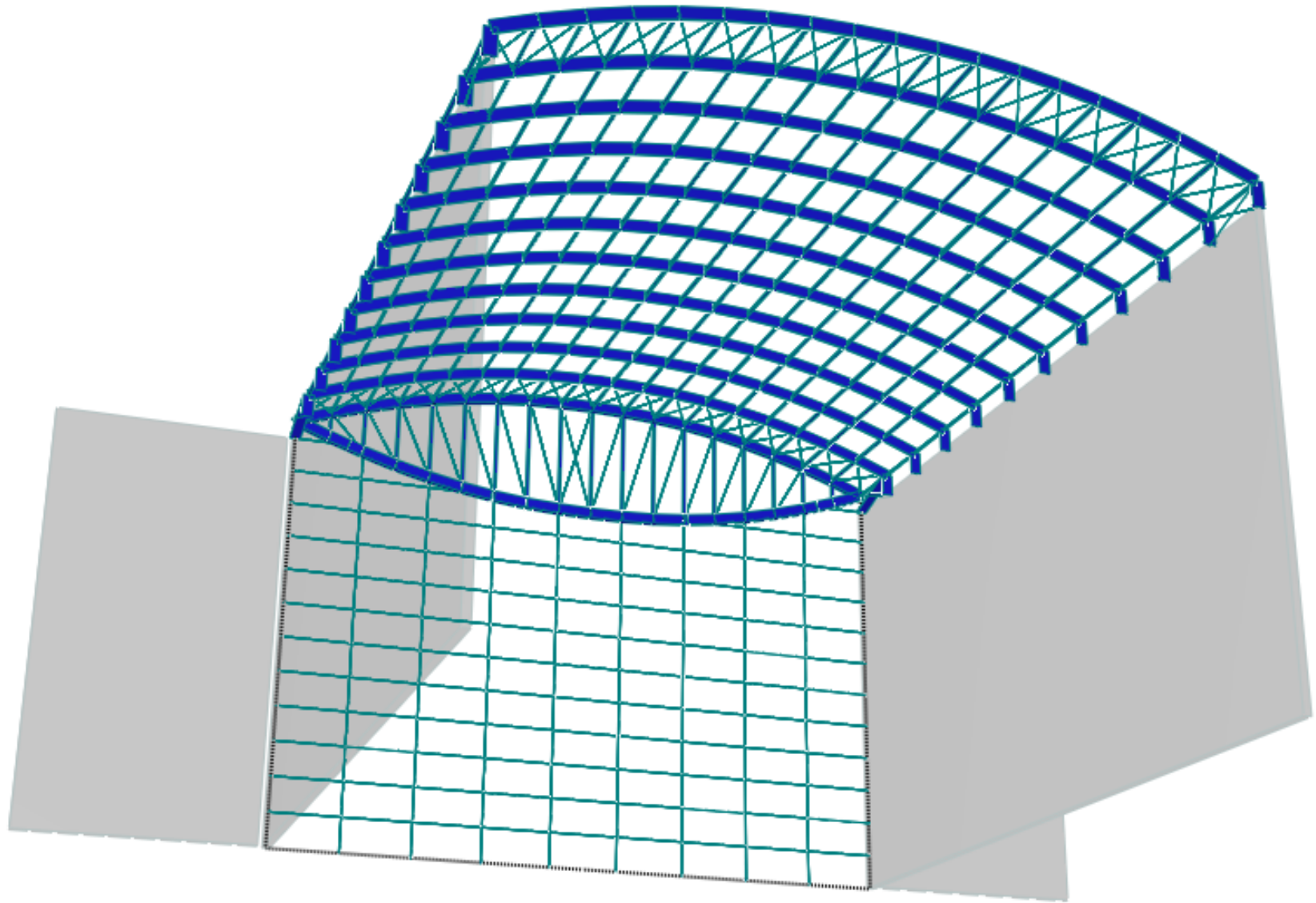
Steel- Glass Roof

- assumed max span L across = 27m (= 1,063 inches) – preliminary and flexible assumption
- assumed span from one arch to the next = 3m (118 inches) - preliminary and flexible assumption
- assumed glazing sizes 1.54m x 3.00m (61 x 118 inches) - preliminary and flexible assumption
- span L to height (girth) ratio = 10 : 1 - preliminary and flexible assumption

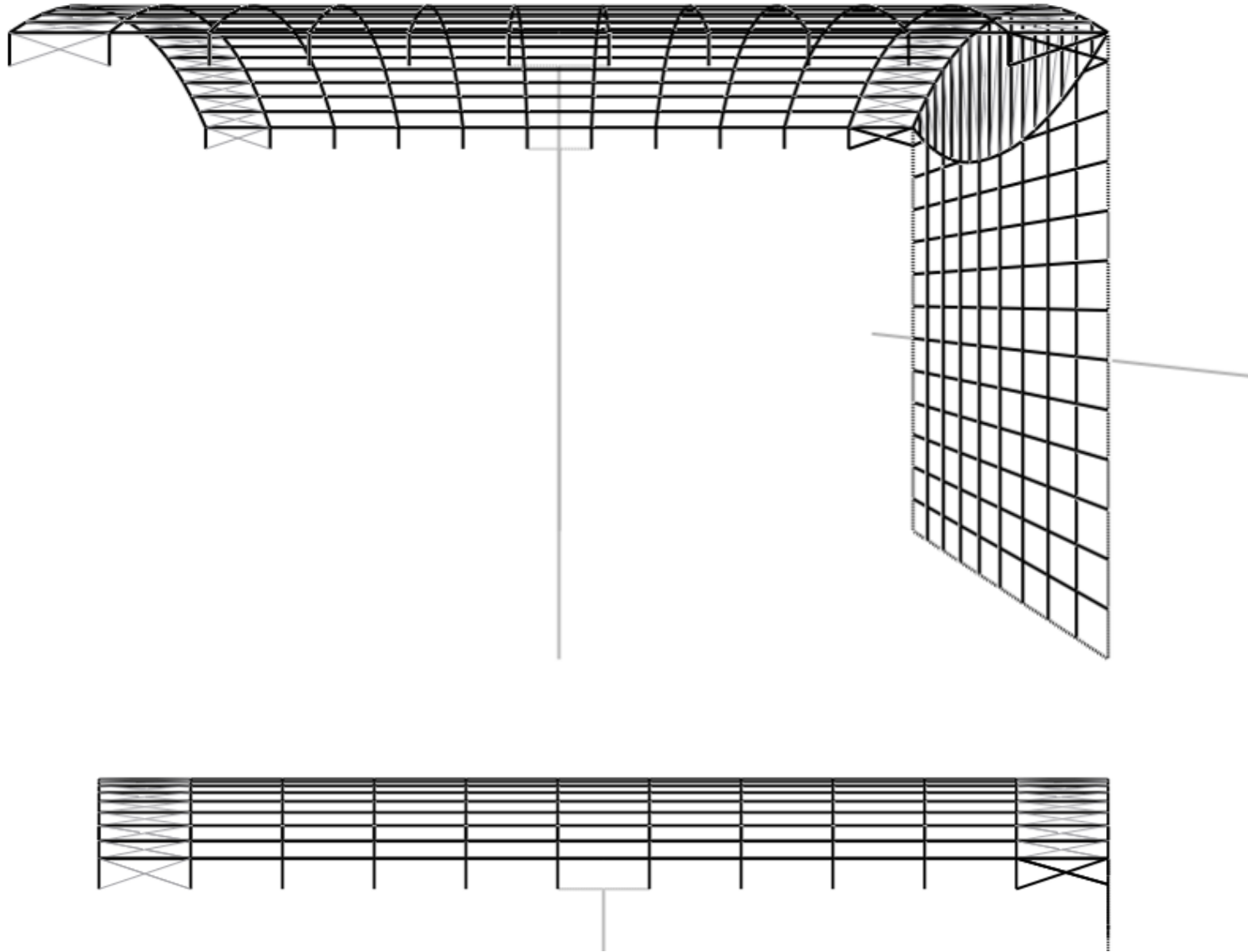




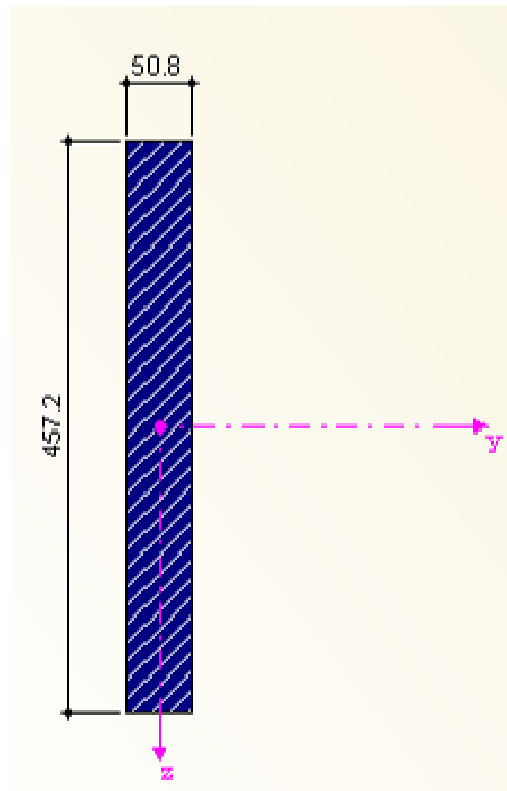
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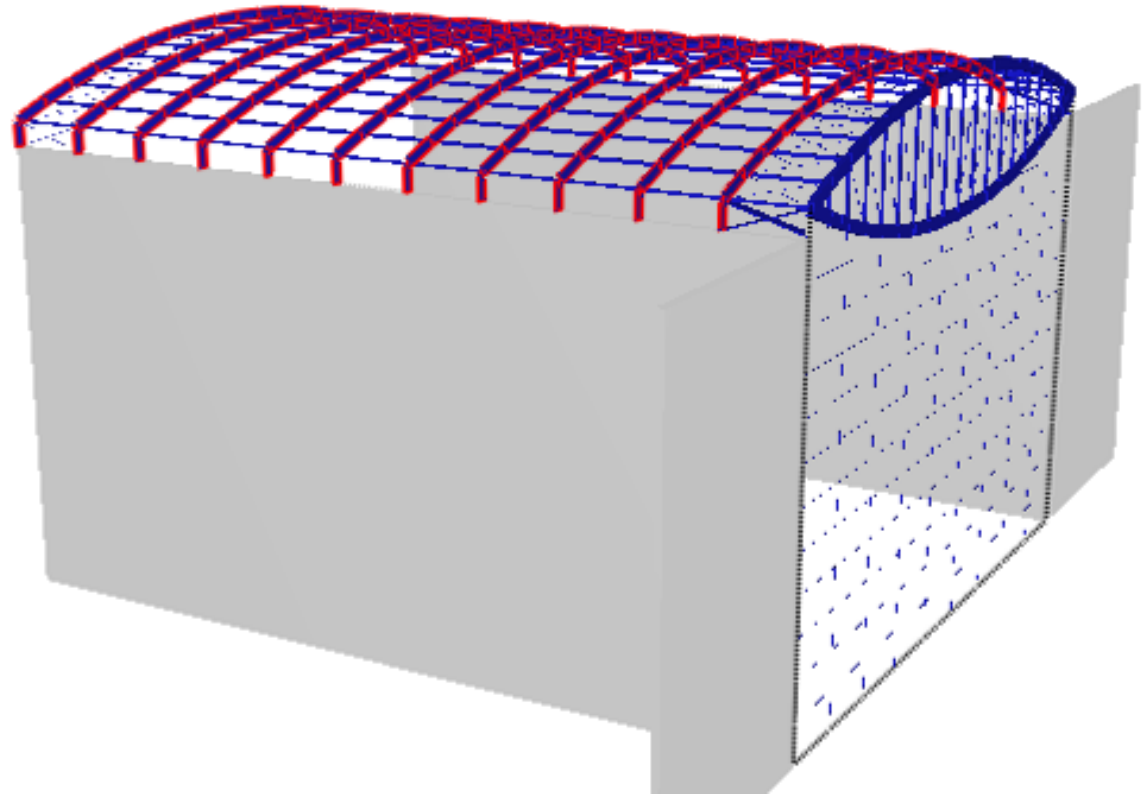
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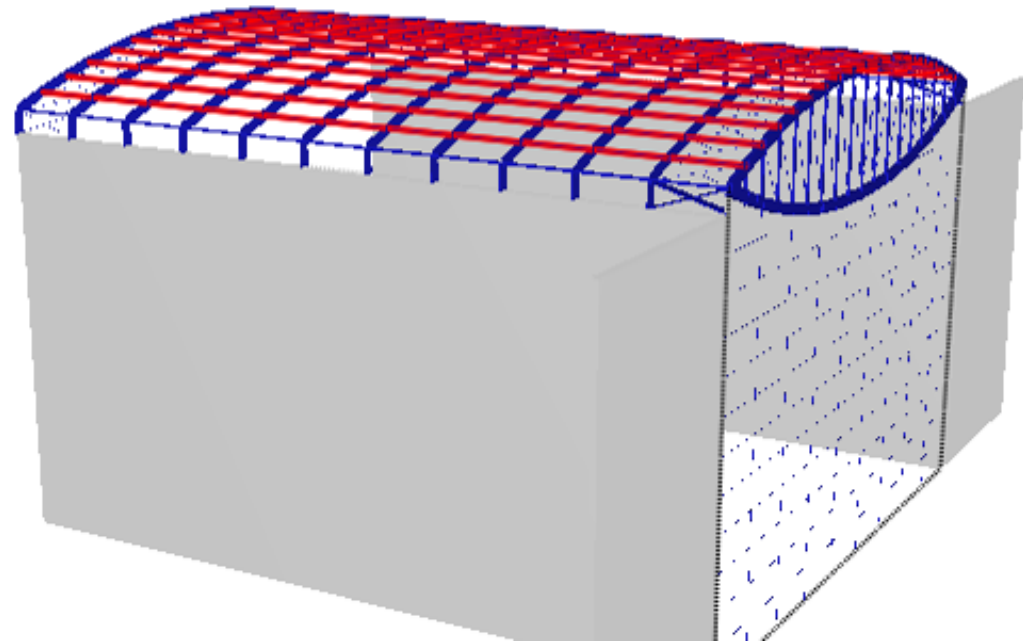
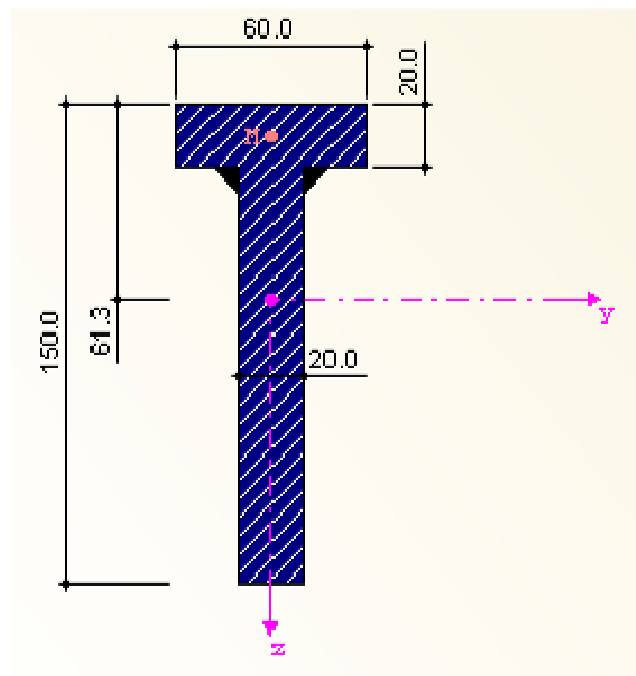


[mm] – main typical arches

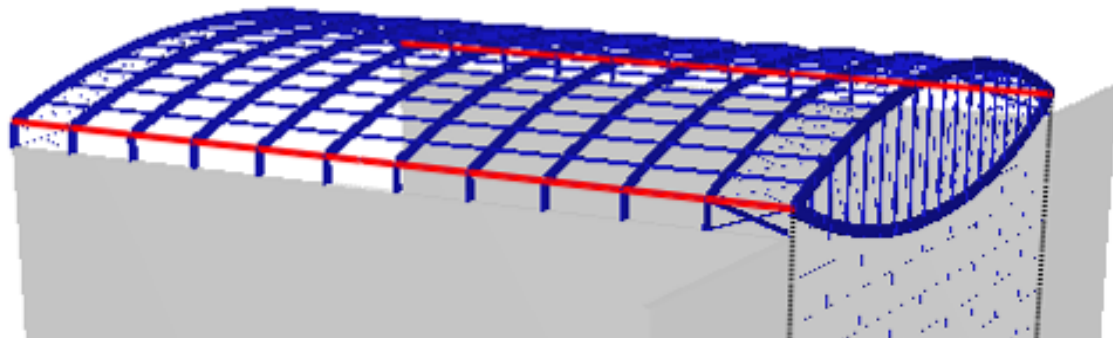
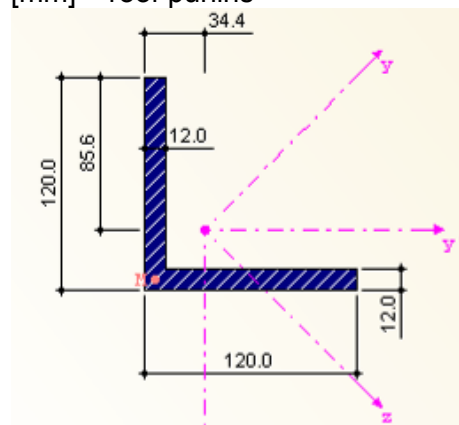


Please notice that local cut- outs are possible for this section (laser- cut patterns according to KPF)

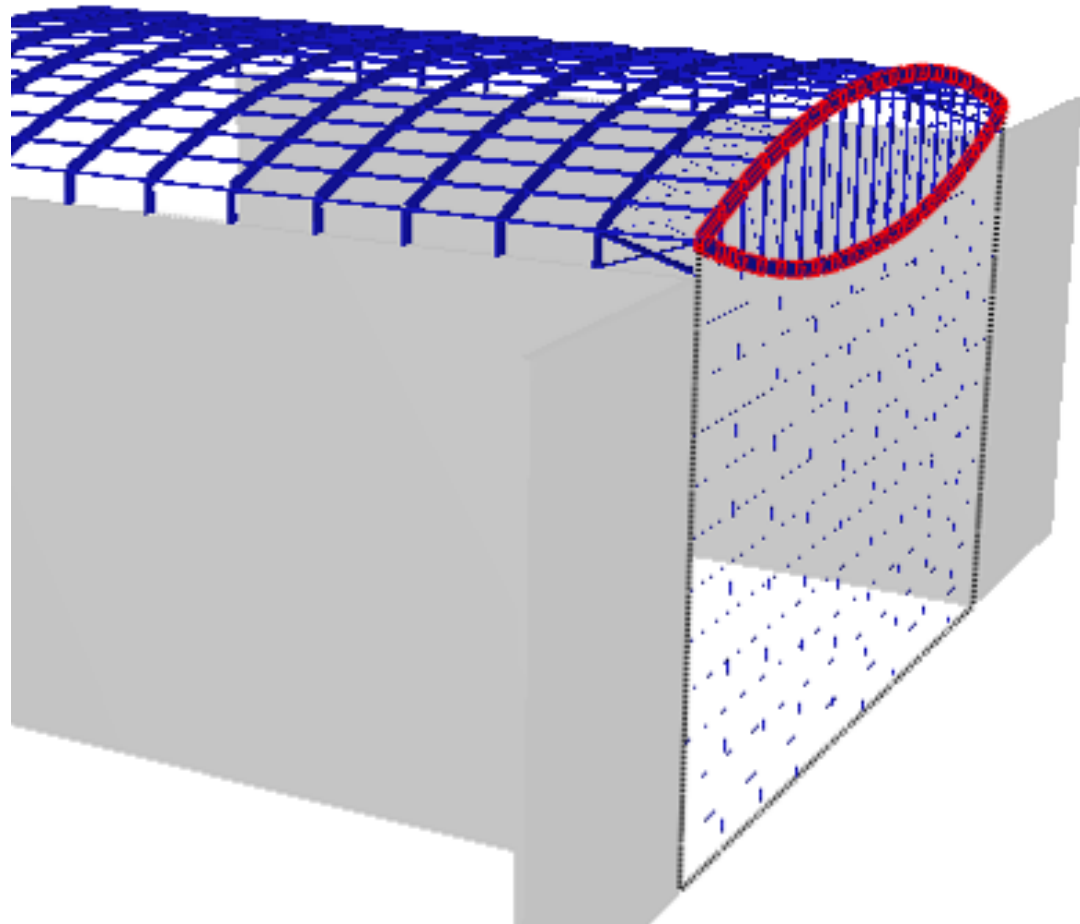
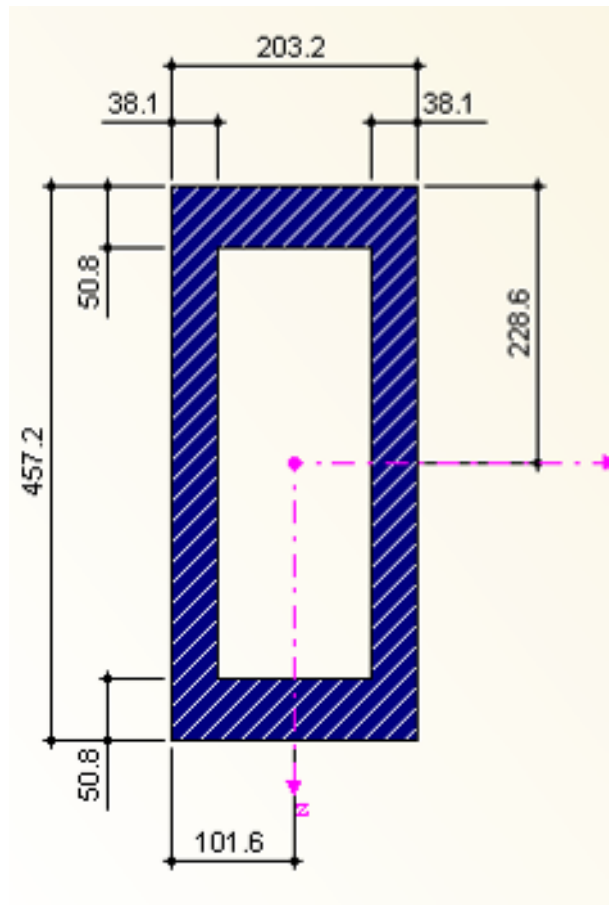
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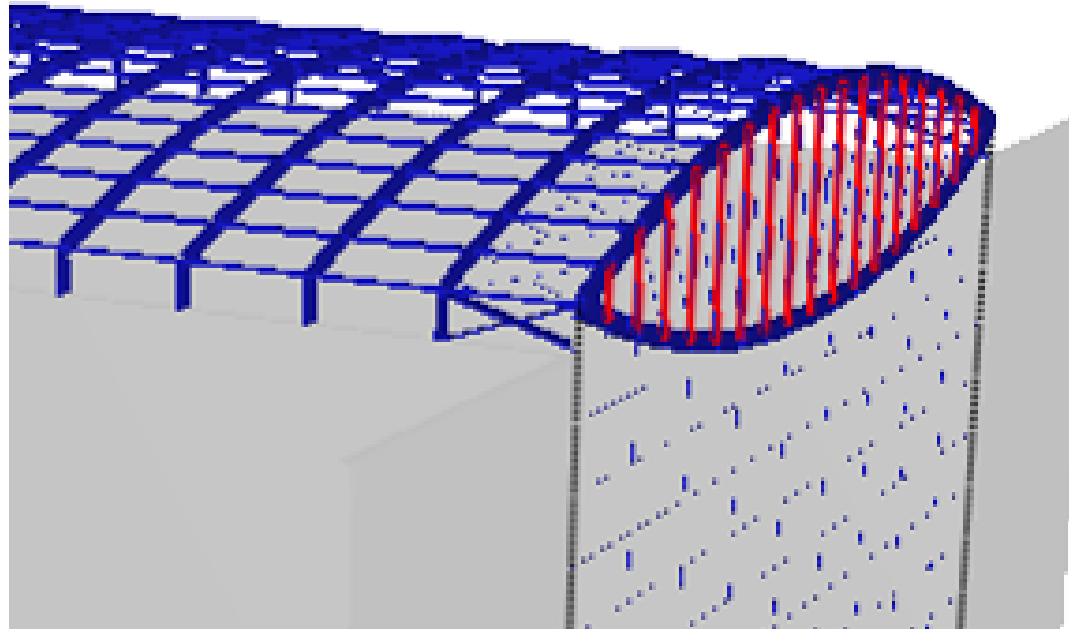
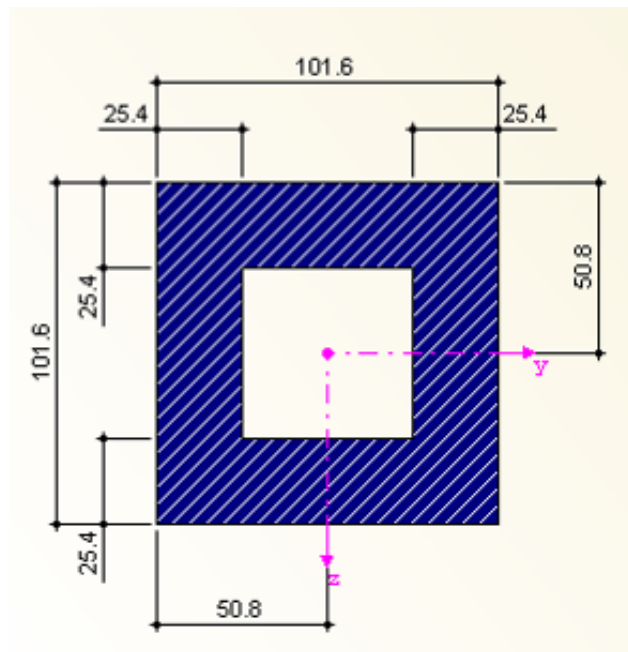
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Main front truss, top and bottom chord - note that the wall thicknesses are preliminary at this stage

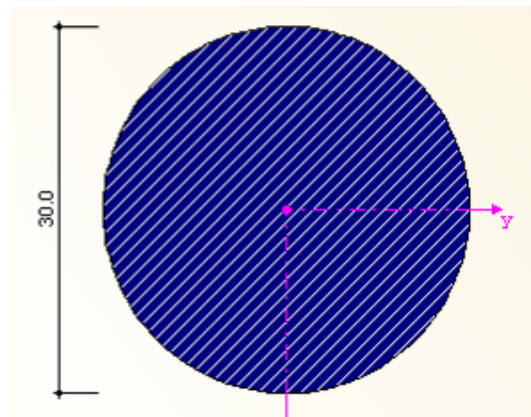
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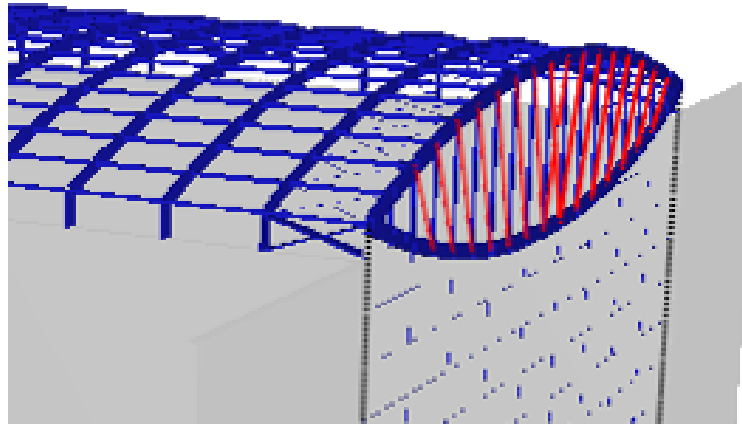
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Main front truss, vertical chords (in line with vertical cables) - note that the profile wall thicknesses are preliminary at this stage

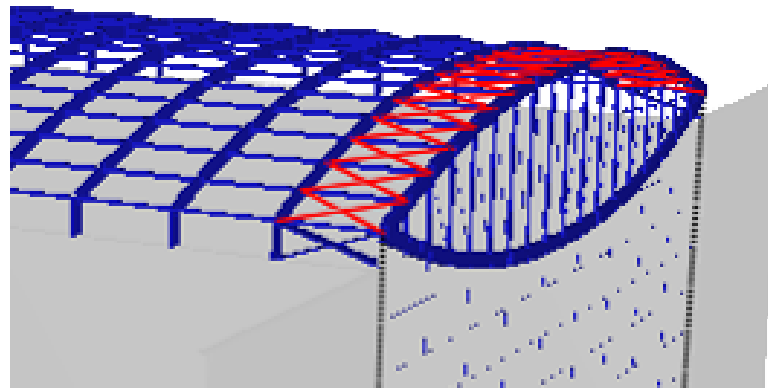
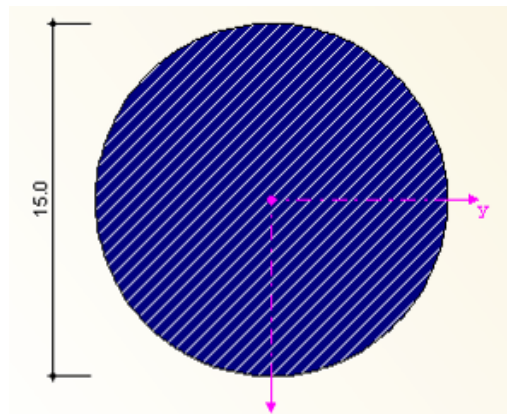
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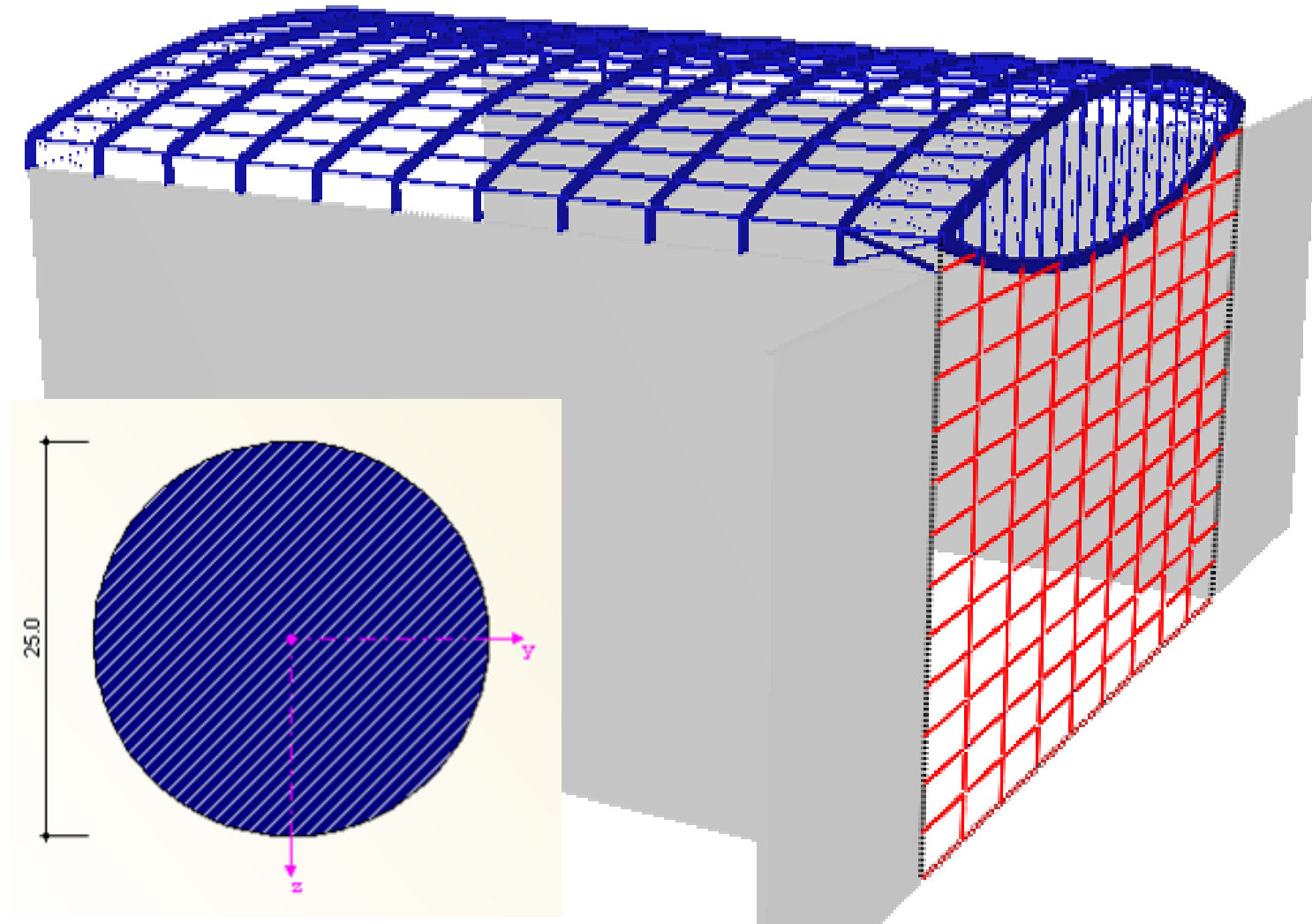


Main front truss, diagonal cables - note that the cable thicknesses are preliminary at this stage



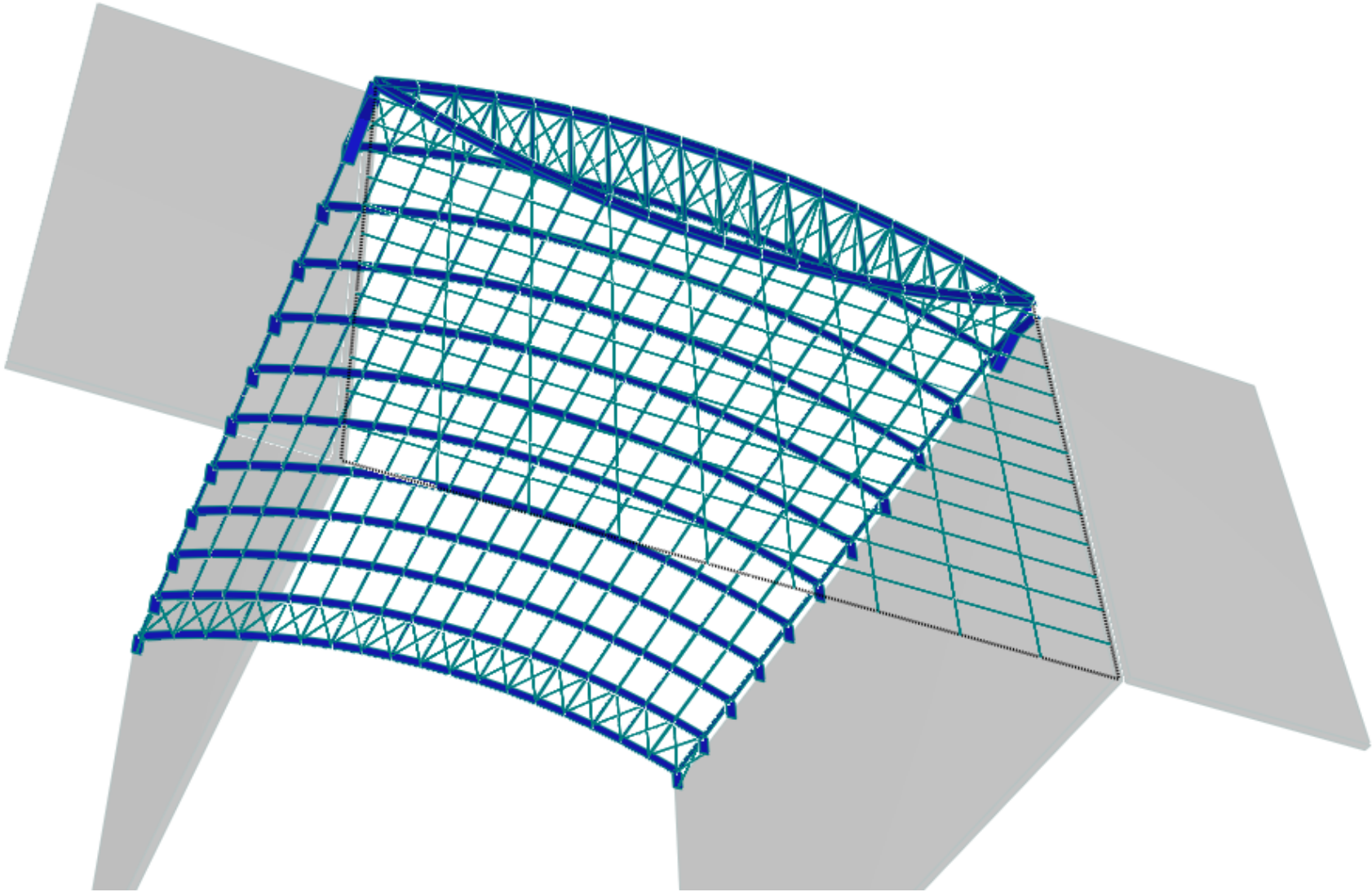
Roof bracing diagonals

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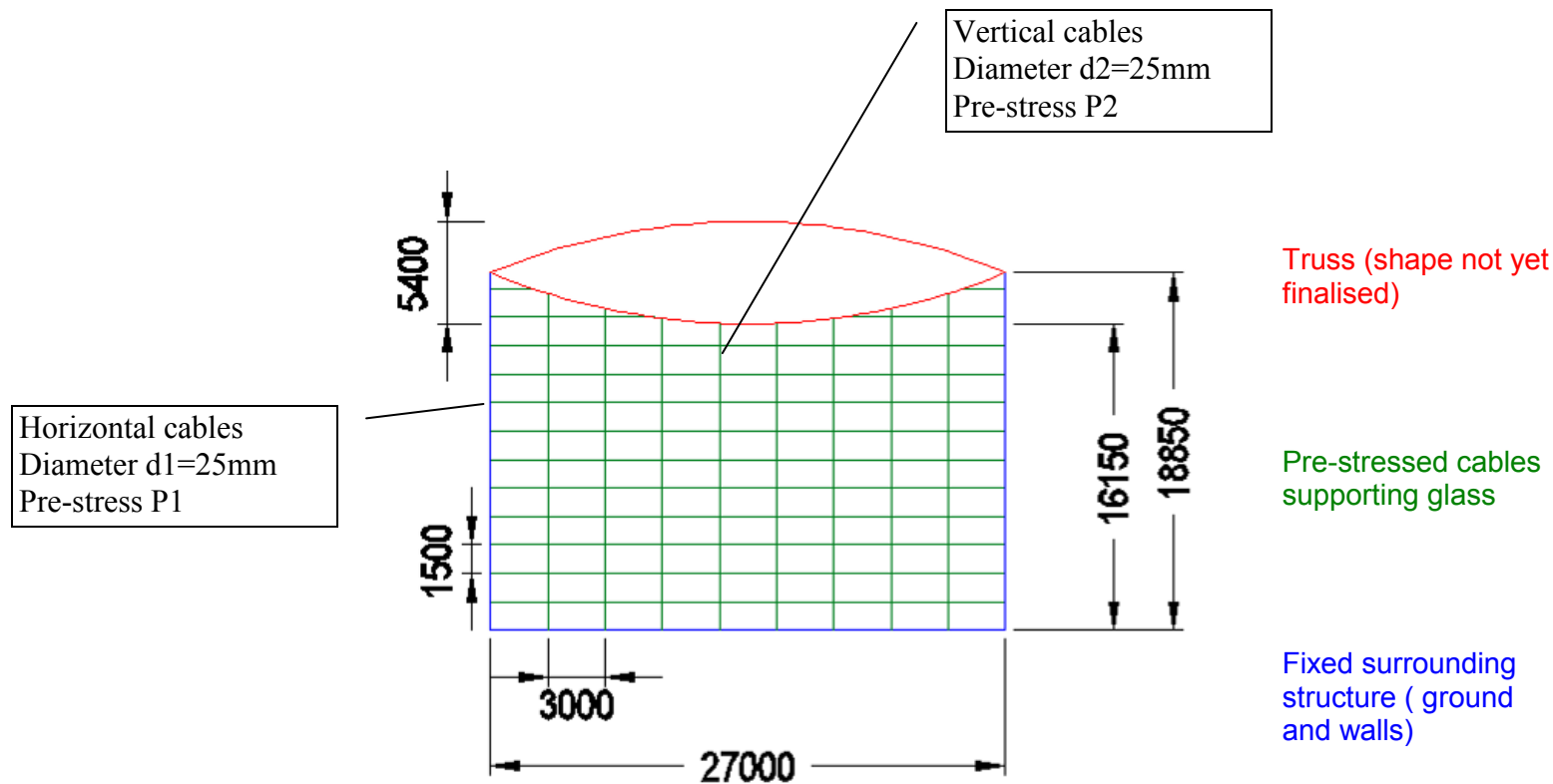
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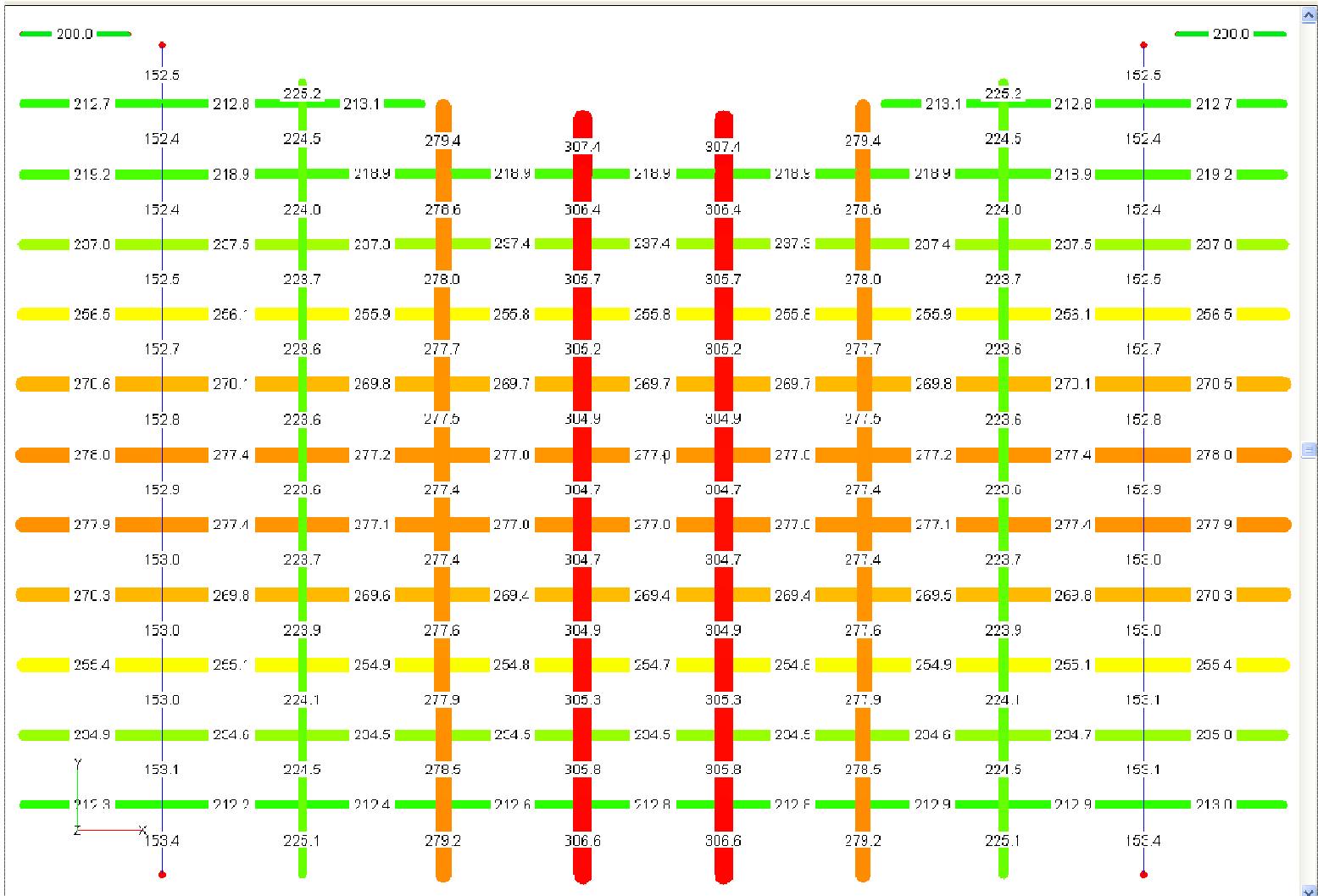


Cable- Net Facade

The 2-ways cable net façade is spanning in between two buildings (assumed max width = $9 \times 3\text{m} = 27\text{m}$ wide). Roof is made of arches and vertical cables are tied to the ground at the bottom and to a truss beam at the top. Current pre- stress levels are placeholders only and will be finalized later as the design progresses. Currently a rigid top truss is assumed, this can be refined.



Cable facade sketch (unit = mm)



Forces under pre-stress and max. wind load

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Maximum deflection is $f_{max}=0.47m=h/34$ – careful local glazing fitting and edge support detailed design is required.

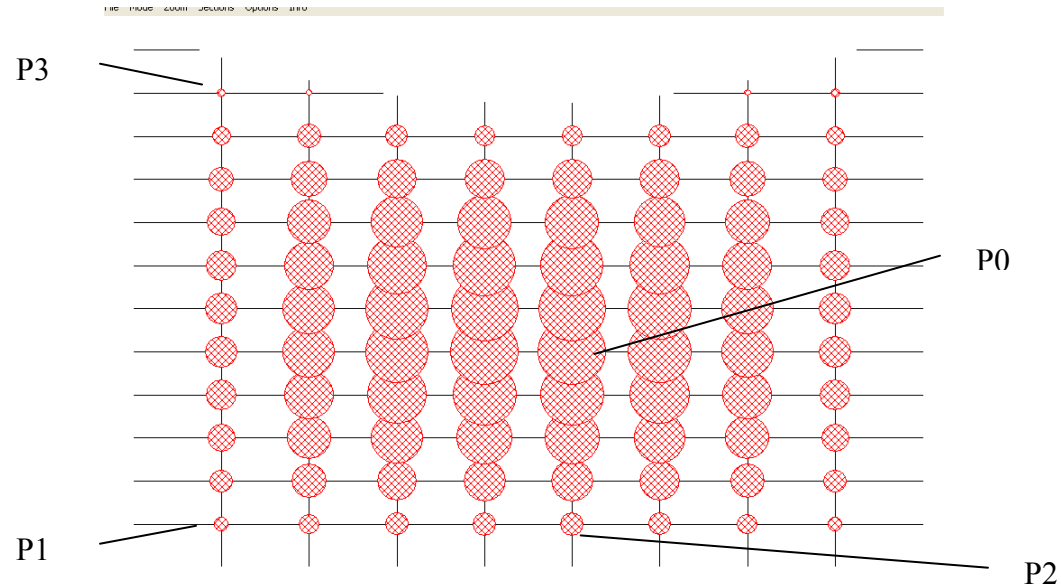
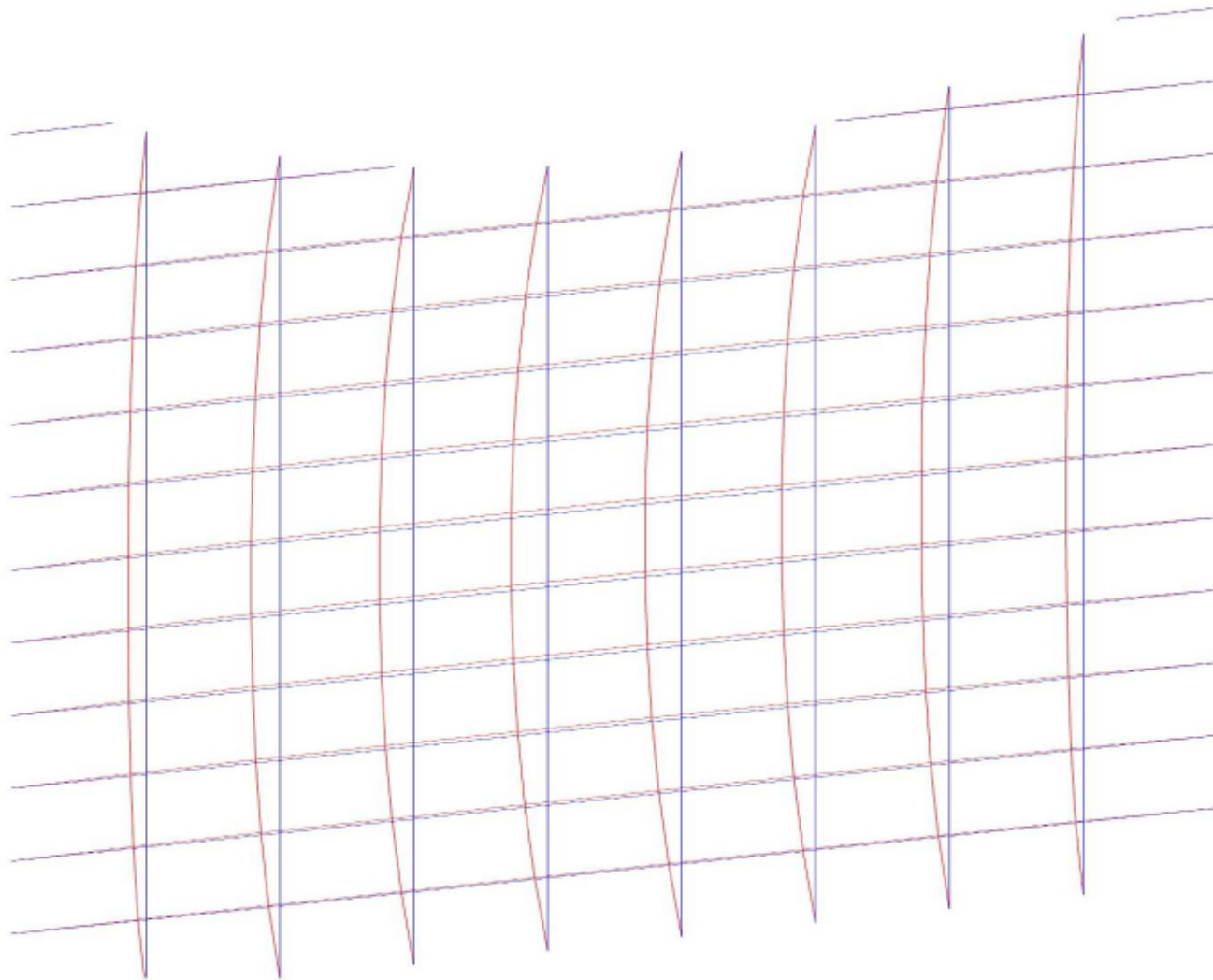
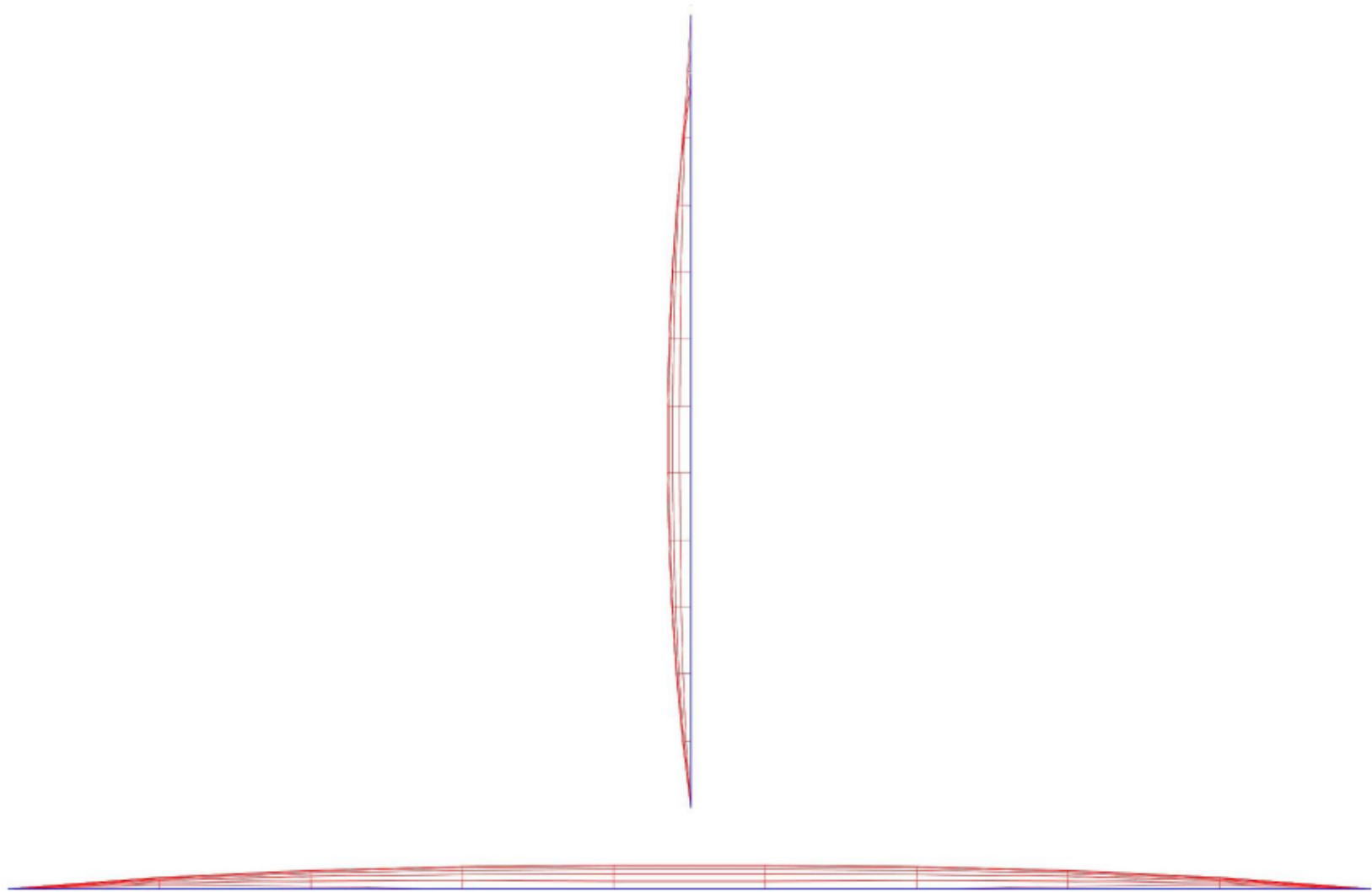


Figure 1 Deflections under pre-stress and wind load (40psf)

	P0	P1	P2	P3
Deflection f (mm)	470	100	165	69
Angle alpha (/vertical)		3.8°	6.3°	3.1°
Angle beta (/horizontal)		1.9°		1.3°



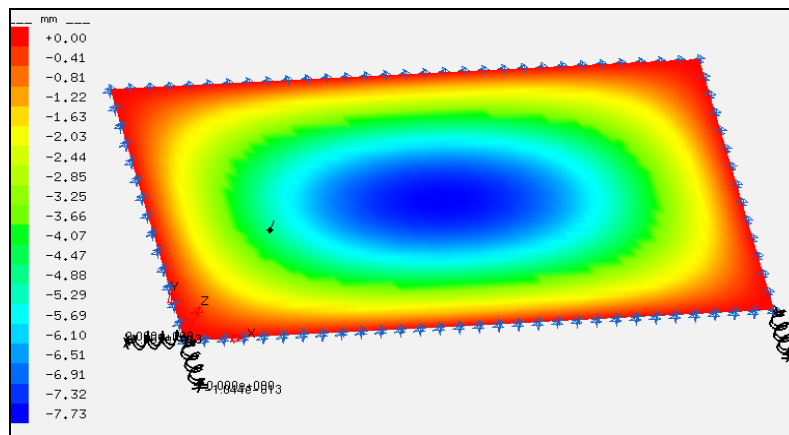
Deflected shape of cable- net structure under full wind load 40 psf



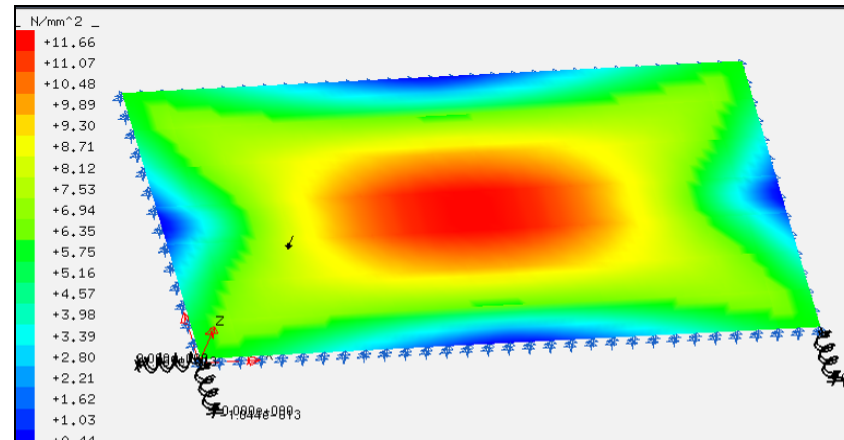
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Roof Glazing

- Ceramic frit pattern according to kpf
- walk- on glass (with integrated latch-way support points)
- IGU with soft solar coating
- top lite fully tempered HST / air cavity / bottom lites laminated safety glass composed of heat- strengthened glass



max deflections – ok

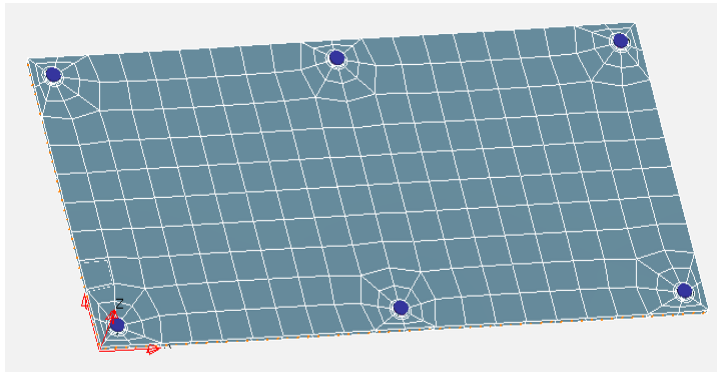


max stresses - ok

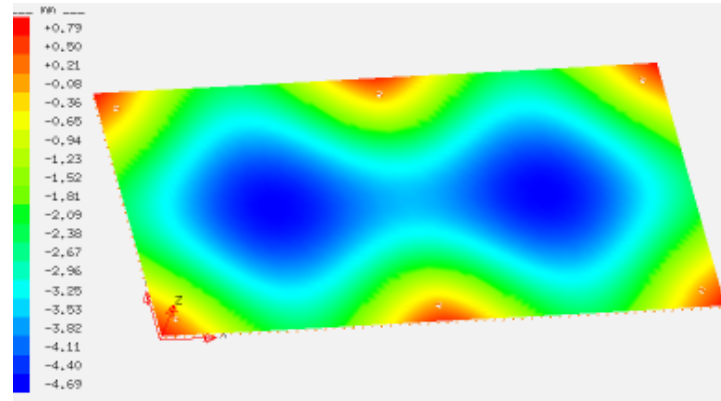
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2	PVB long time...	0.03	0.5	.76	1.07e-9	8.e-5	0
1	Glass, heat st...	70000.	0.23	8	2.55e-9	1.e-5	0

Front Cable- net Façade Glazing

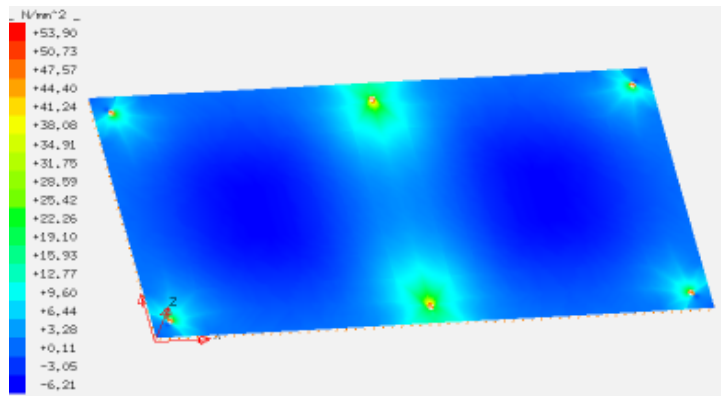
- Ceramic frit pattern according to kpf
- IGU with soft solar coating
- 6 point supports or 6 local edge clamps, fixed to horizontal and vertical cables (spiders or arms)
- inner lite fully tempered HST / air cavity / outer lites laminated safety glass composed of tempered glass HST



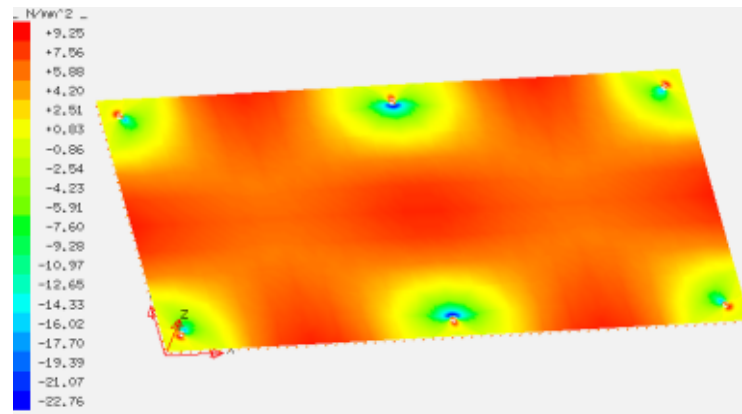
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