

Ground Condition and Preparation for Mobile Cranes



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-President FEM Mobile cranes

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- Advanced Rigging: Multi-Crane Lifts and Load Turns

MIKE PARNELL — ABOUT YOUR HOST

Mr. Parnell has a wealth of knowledge regarding cranes, rigging, and lifting activities throughout a variety of industries.

- 30+ years learning about wire rope, rigging, load handling, and lifting activities.
- Vice Chair of the ASME B30 Main Committee which sets the standards in the US for cranes and rigging
- Chair of the ASME P30 Main Committee which sets the standards for lift planning.

ASME standards are also adopted by many countries around the world.



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Klaus Meissner – About your Guest Speaker

- Director of Product Integrity, Terex Cranes
- 25+ year experience in the crane industry
- Expert for mobile crane approval appointed by the German Health and Safety Authority
- Convenor of the working group developing EN13000 – the European Safety Standard for mobile cranes
- President of the product group for mobile cranes within FEM – the European Manufacturers Association of Material Handling, Lifting and Storage Equipment



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Cranes

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- *Crane tips over during travel on site*

Background

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- *Centre of gravity at height*

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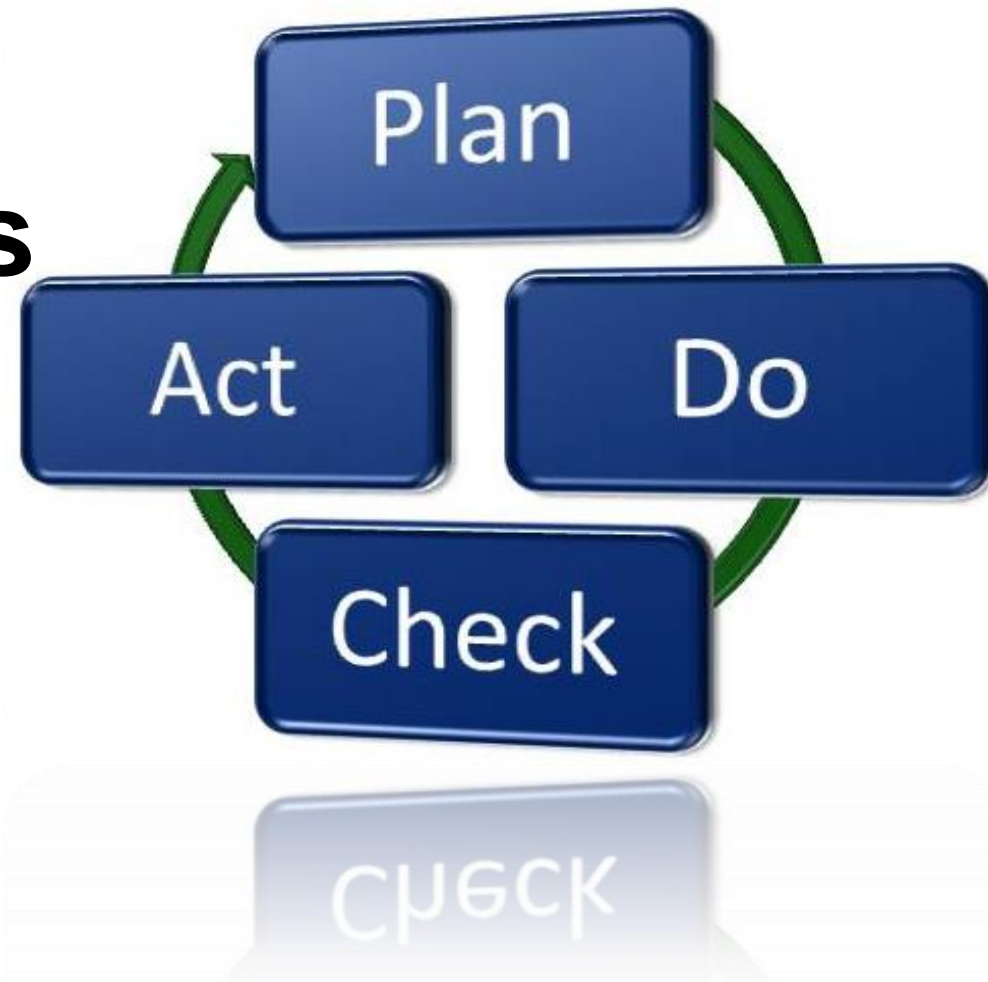


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Typical Incidents

Outside Influences
(acting on the "system crane")

Pure Physics
(the same for all sites and equipment)



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Background load distribution

Video 1

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EXPERIMENTS

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Background load distribution

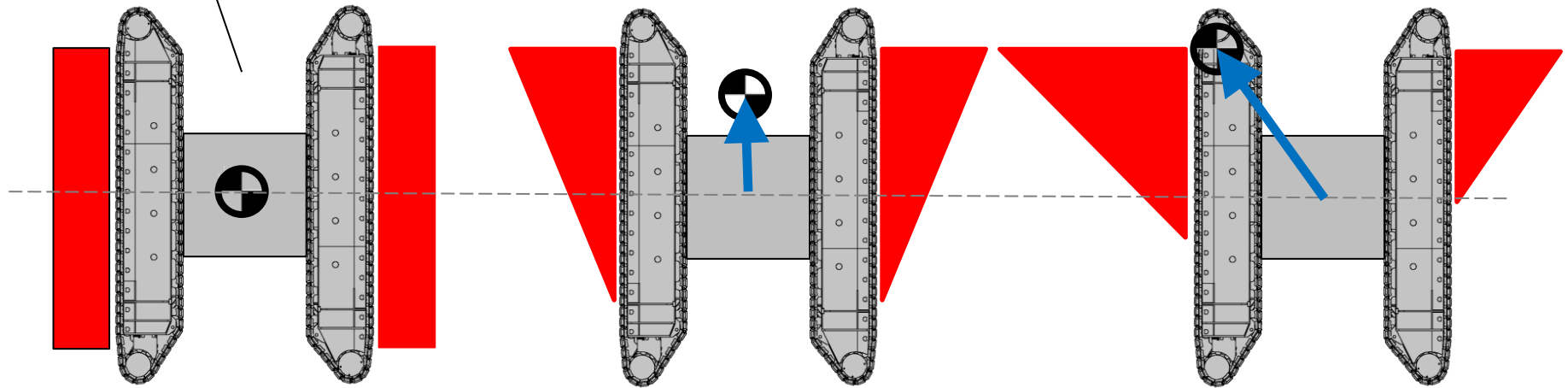
Top View on Crawler car Body,
Crawlers turned to better indicate Shape



**Symbol indicates
Centre of Gravity**



**Symbols indicate
Ground Pressure
under Crawler**



**Symmetrical
Loading**

**Symmetrical Loading
to the Front**

**Non-Symmetrical
Loading**



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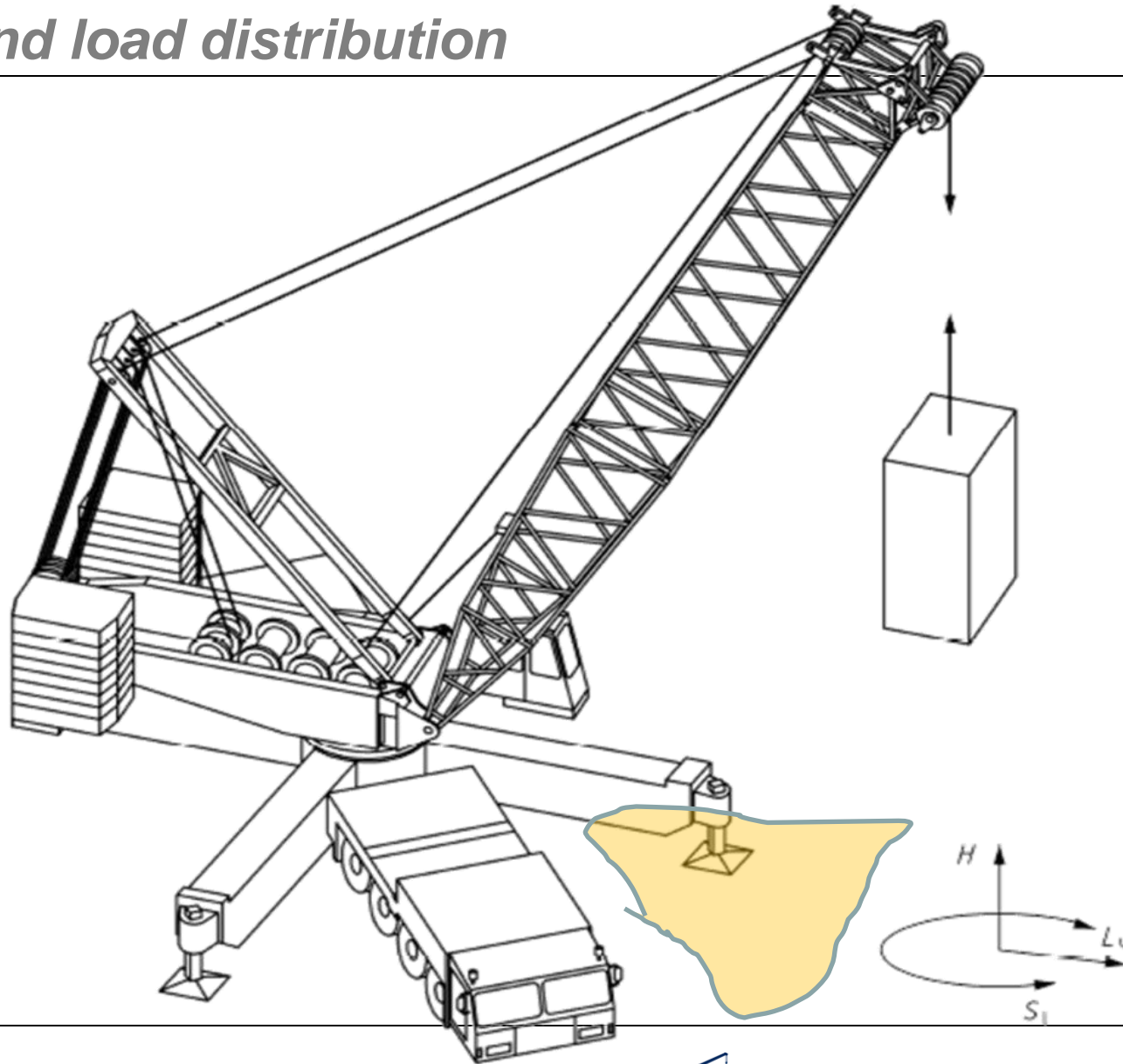
Background load distribution

Type of Soil/Description	Max. Allowable Bearing values (presumptive) in tons/sq.ft.	Max. Allowable Bearing values (presumptive) in psi
Hard Rock	100	1390
Soft Rock	12	167
Very compact sandy gravel	10	139
Loose fine sand or firm inorganic silt	1,5	21

Crane Cap.	Weight	Crawler Length	Crawler Width	Contact Surface	Theor. min. Ground Loading (crane w/o load and balaced)	Typical Ground Loading w. Load
600t	400t	10m	1,3m	26m ²	15,4t/m ²	30...>100 t/m ²
660tons	440tons	32ft	4.3ft	275sq.ft	1,6tons/sq.ft.	3.1...>10.4 tons/sq.ft.

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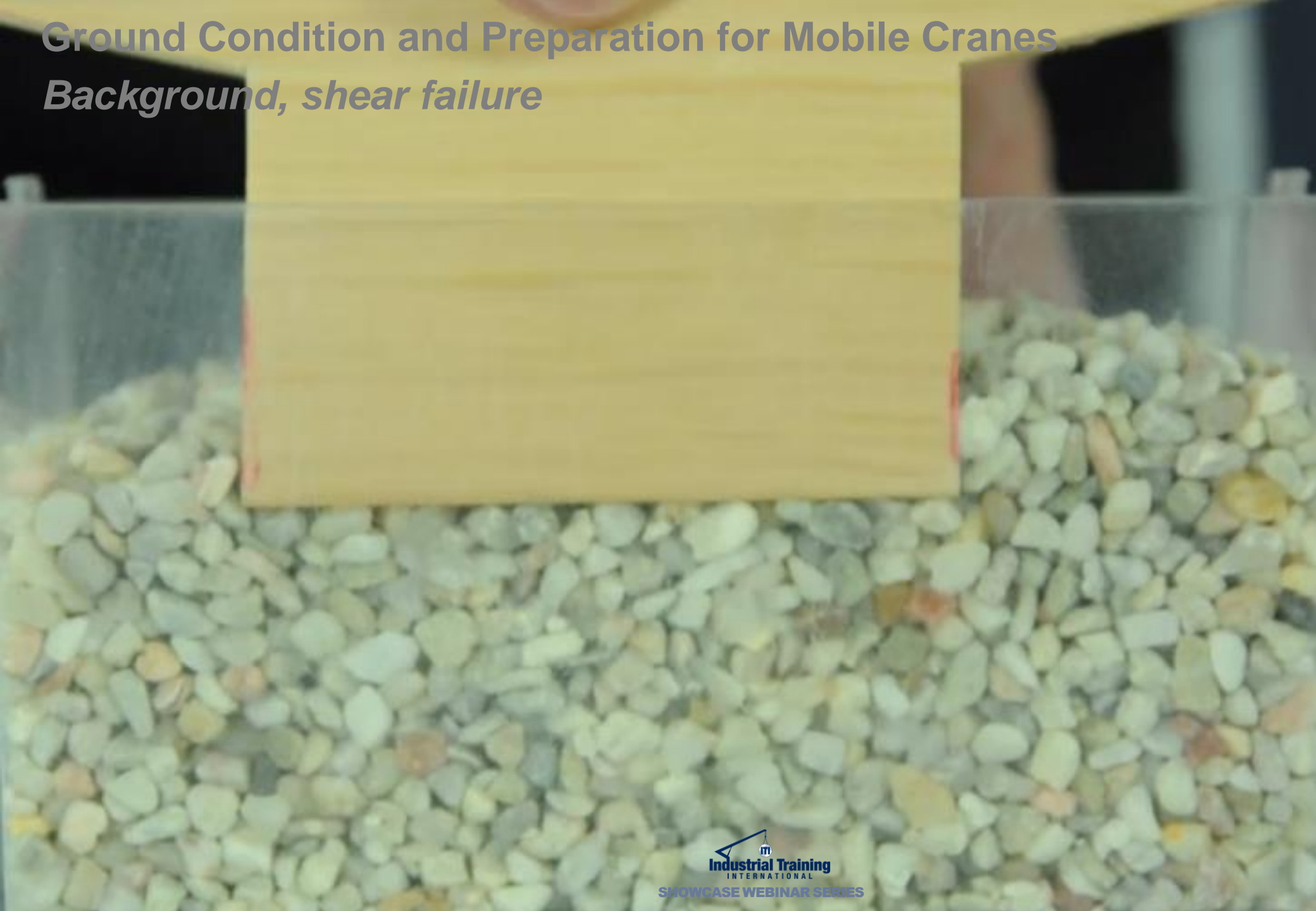
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Video 2

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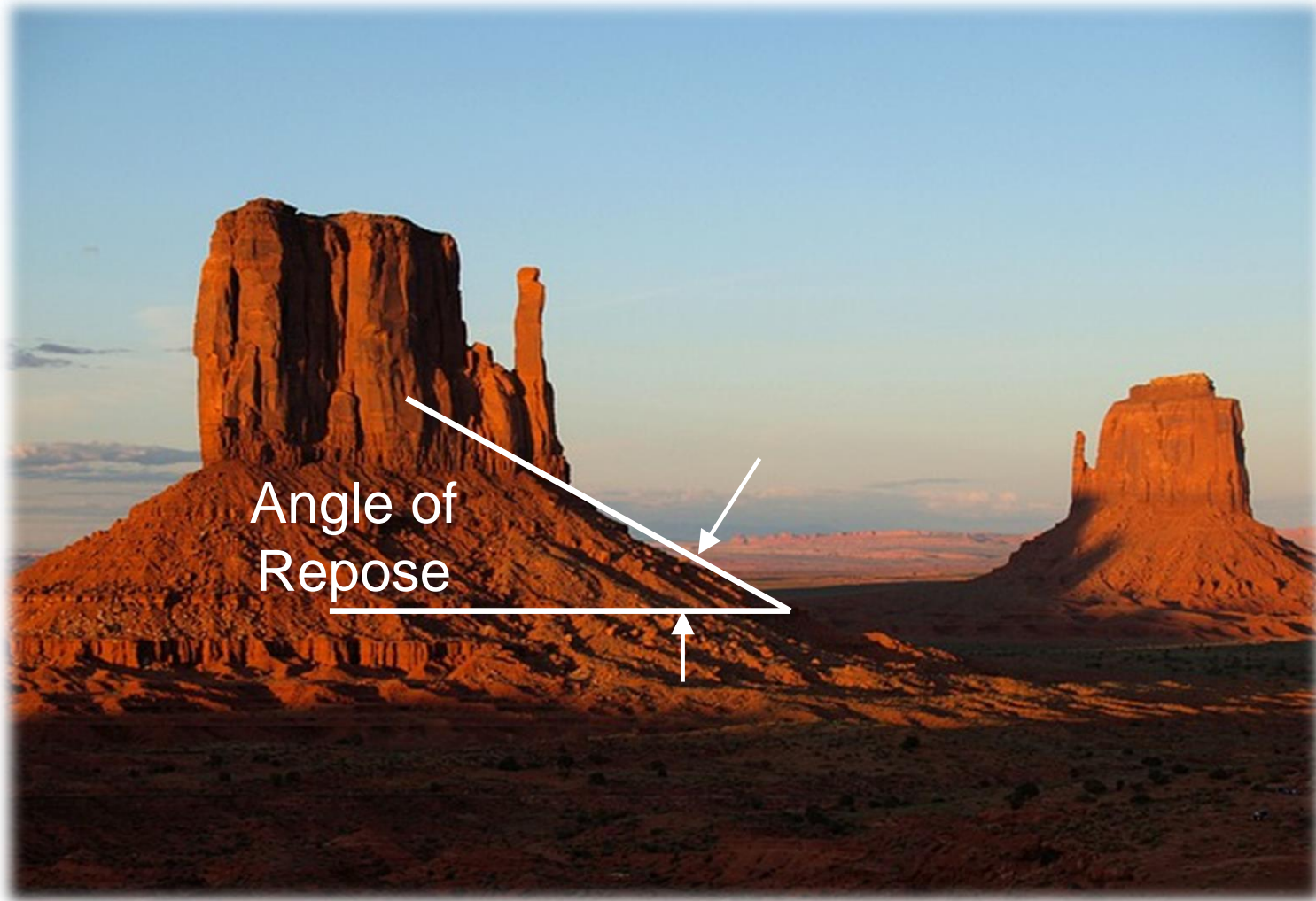
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Travel with load, exceeding load bearing capacity of ground



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Rescuing a truck, exceeding load bearing capacity of ground



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Travel on site with load



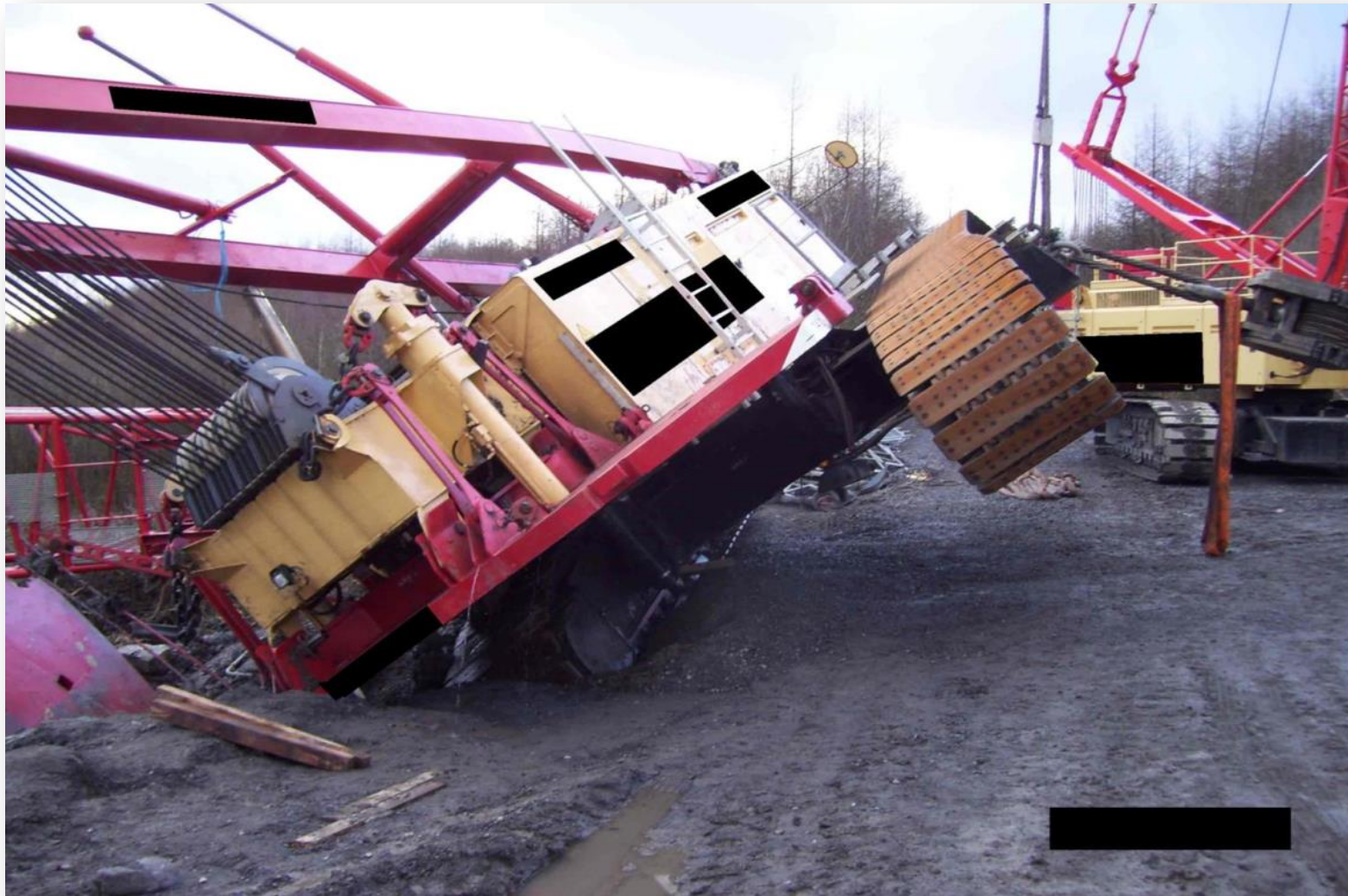
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Travel with load, partially erected crane



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Travel with load, partially erected crane, consequence



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Where is the Centre of Gravity?



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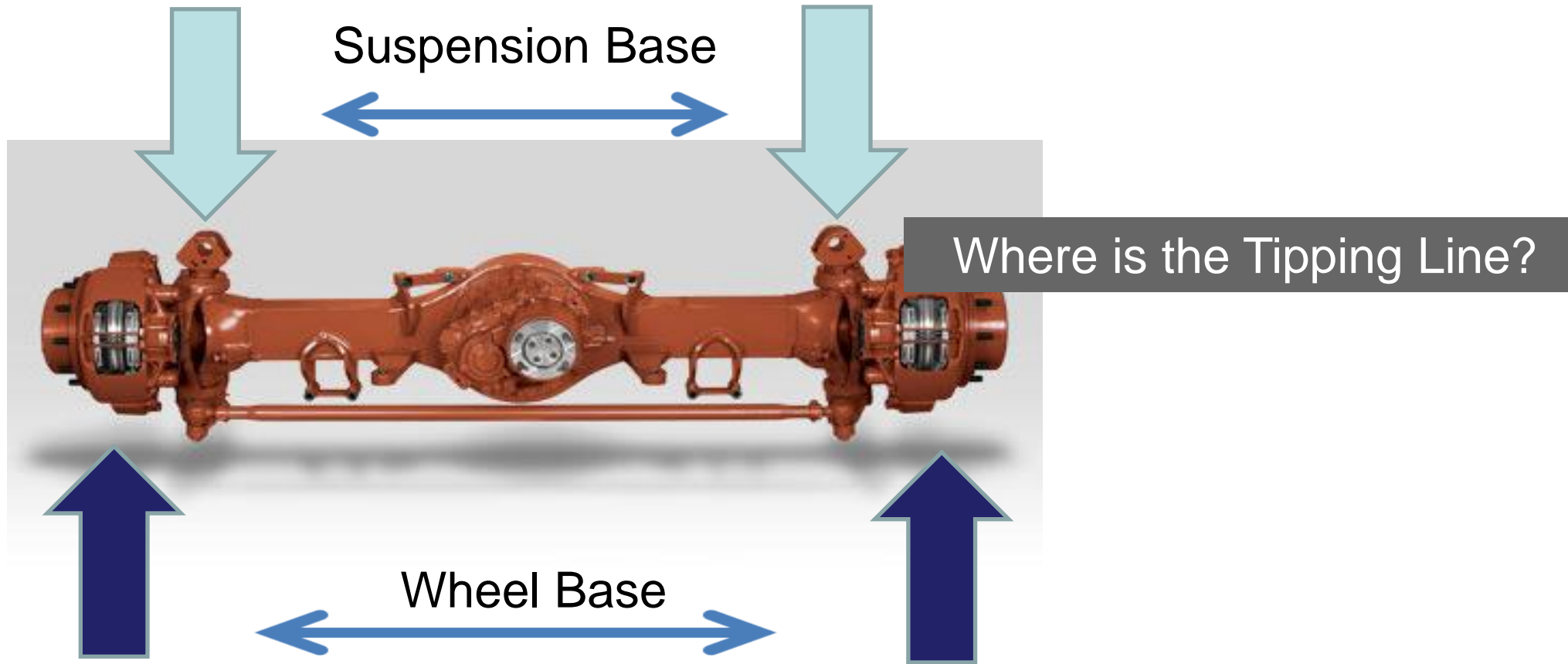
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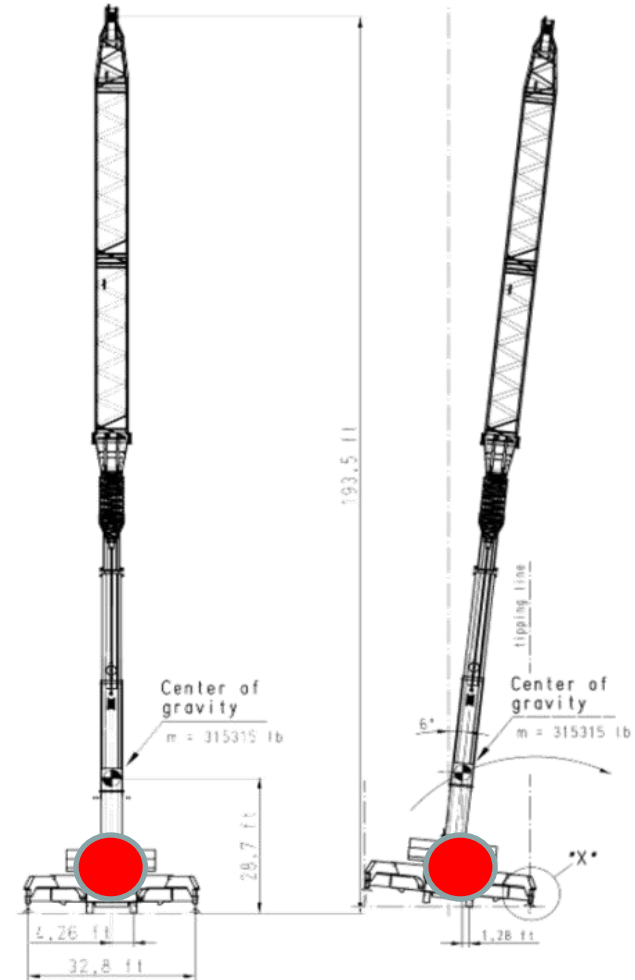
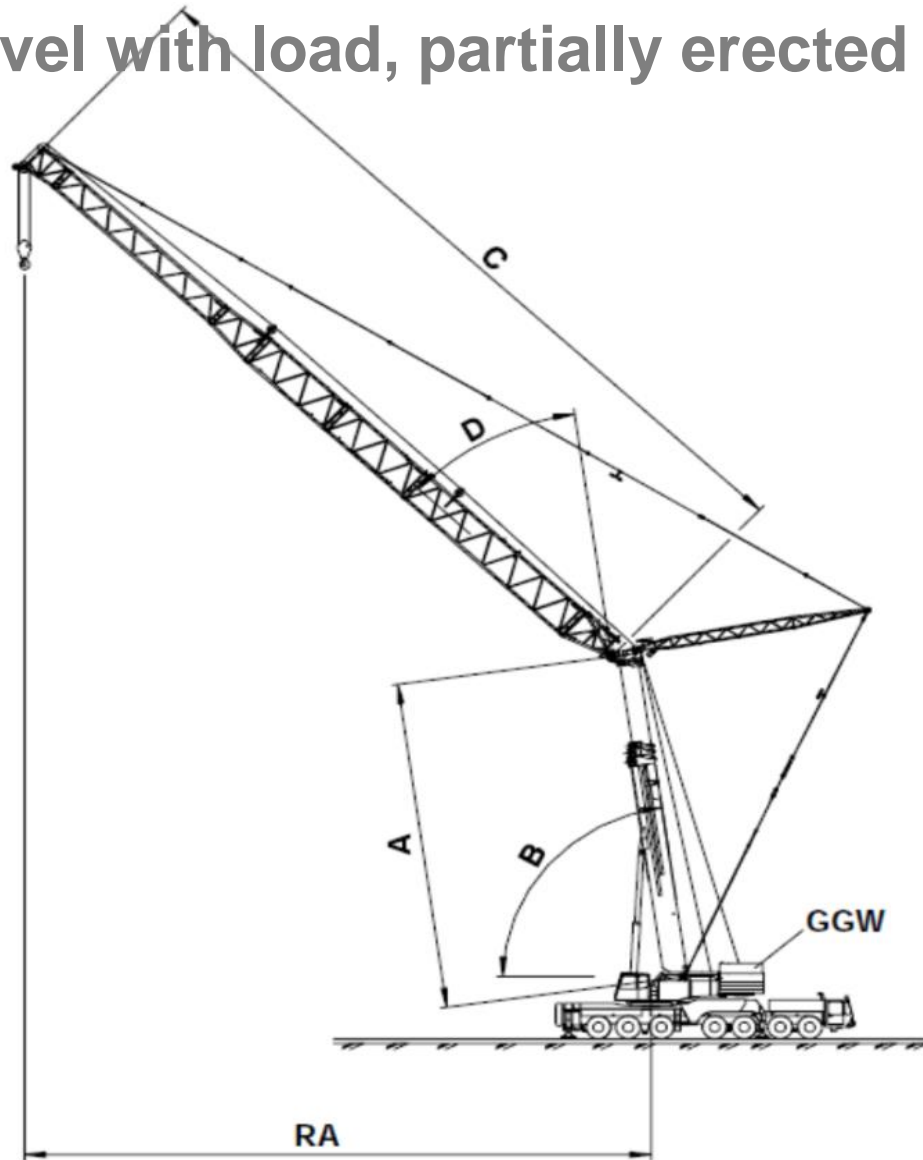
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General



- PLAN:** Develop a Plan
- DO:** Act according to Plan
- CHECK:** Are Conditions as per Plan
- ACT:** Take Action if needed

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Preparation of the hard stand

- **Establish the loads action on the ground**
 - Consult manufacturer's documentation
 - Use calculation tools
- **Investigate the ground**
 - Load bearing capacity?
 - Hidden cavities?
- **Prepare the ground and level it**
- **Use appropriate cribbing/mats**
 - Cribbing may fail if the load is not spread over the full area of the mat
 - Cribbing/mats may fail if the ground crushes or extensive settling appears
 - Cribbing/mats may fail when the mat bends
 - Cribbing/mats may fail by horizontal splitting

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Travel with load, preparation of builder's roads

Axle load ≤ 12 t
Axle load > 12 t⁵

Width = 5.0 m
Width = 7.0 m

How are the Roads you are using?

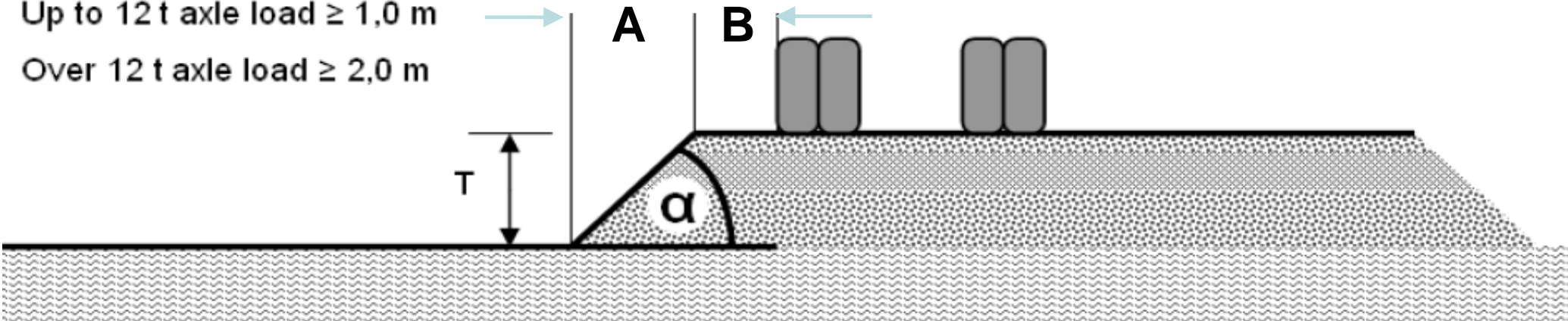
$\alpha \leq 30^\circ$ width soft soil; $A = 2 \times T$

$\alpha \leq 45^\circ$ width firm soil; $A = T$

B

Up to 12 t axle load $\geq 1,0$ m

Over 12 t axle load $\geq 2,0$ m



Slope angle and dimensioning a builders' road



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