

# TUNNELS IN ROCK

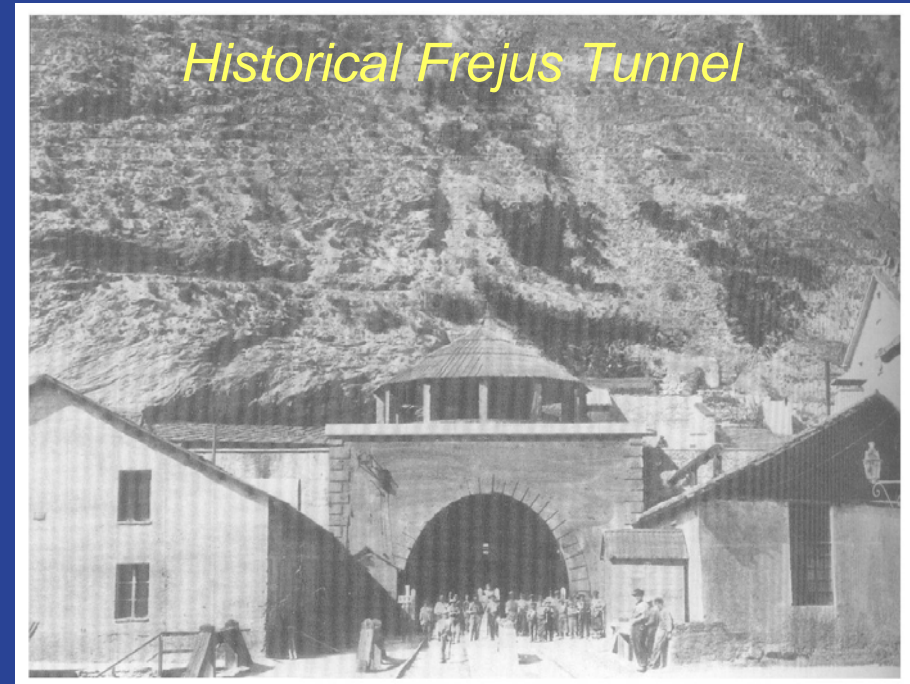
*Piergiorgio Grasso*

Torino, 17 Novembre 2004

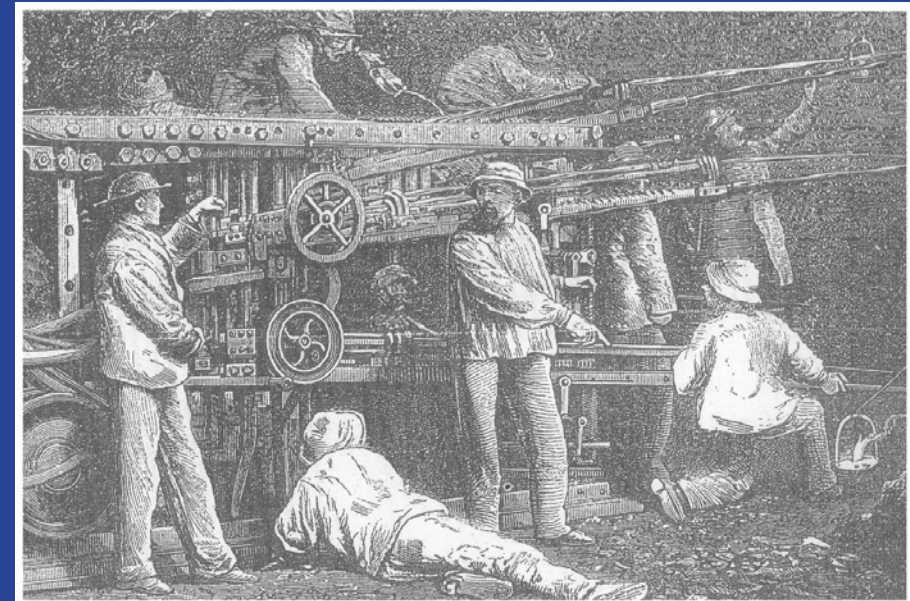
## The complexity of the new challenges

Tunnelling in rock is often related with the construction of long and deep tunnels, which have always represented one of the most complex and ambitious engineering undertakings.

The increasing number of new challenging projects together with the pressing market requirements – in terms of quality, safety and costs – continuously lead to new difficulties to be overcome.



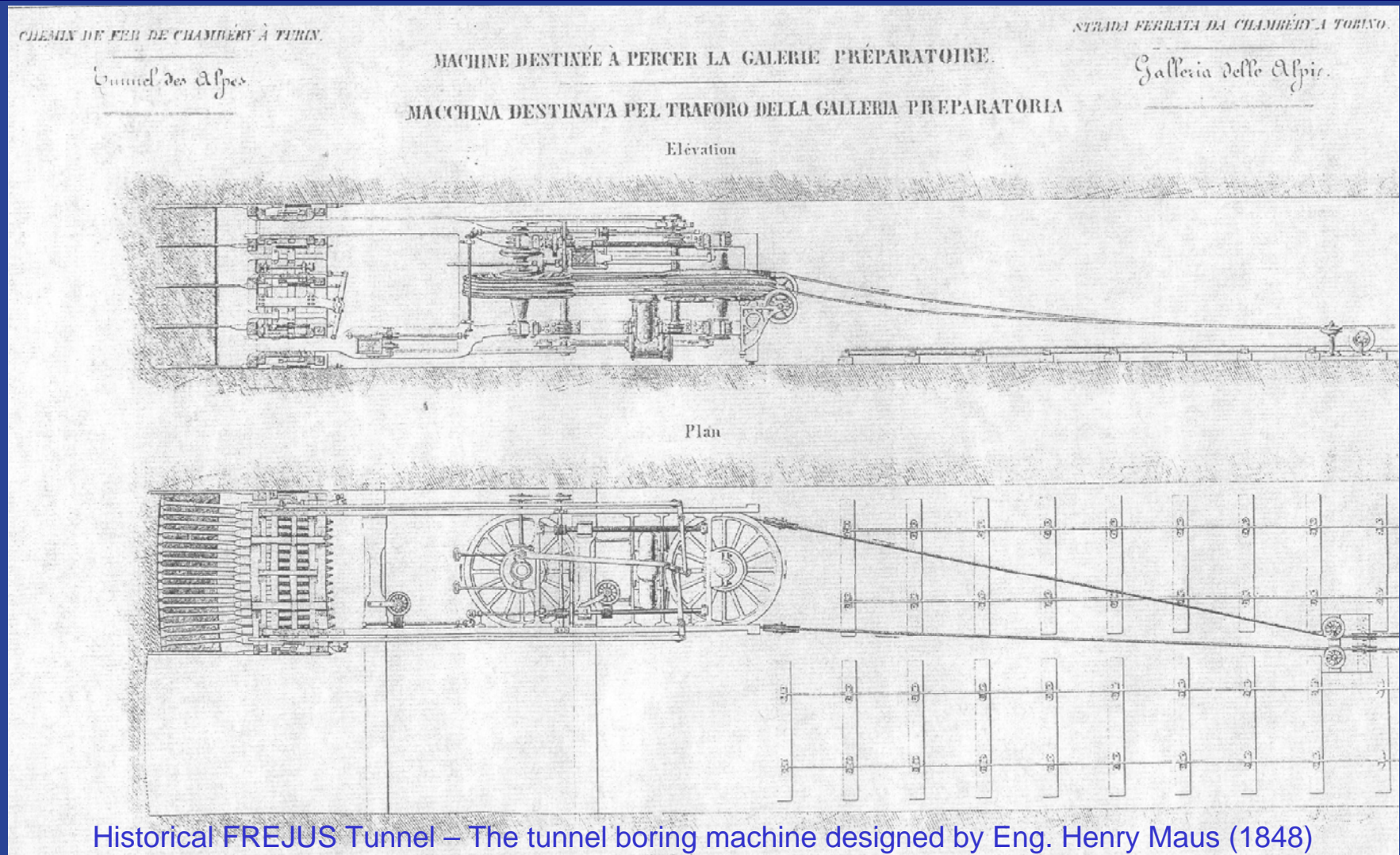
*Historical Frejus Tunnel*



*Operating the drilling machine at the tunnel face*



# The past offers many examples of how challenges were faced ...

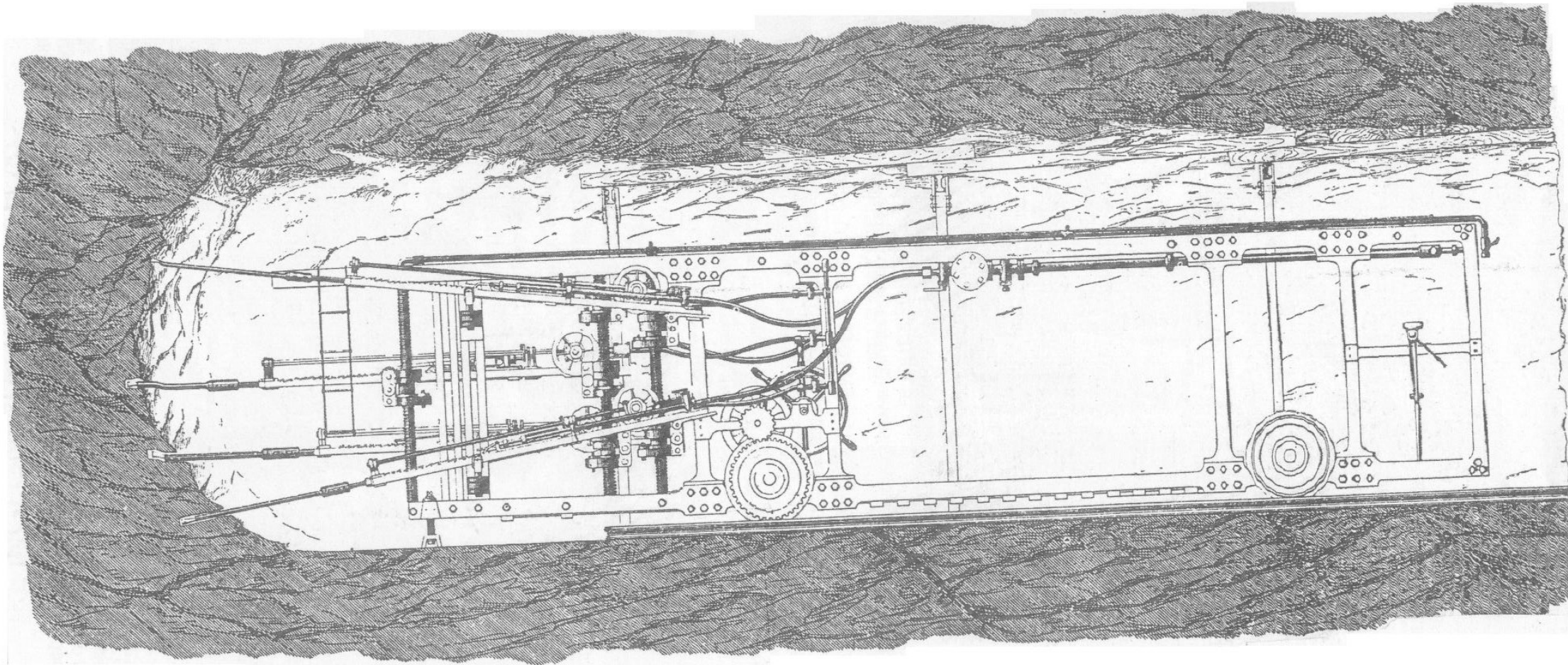


Since the very first experiences of tunnelling in the Alps two requirements have been raised:

- *excavating as fast as possible*
- *limiting the costs as much as possible*



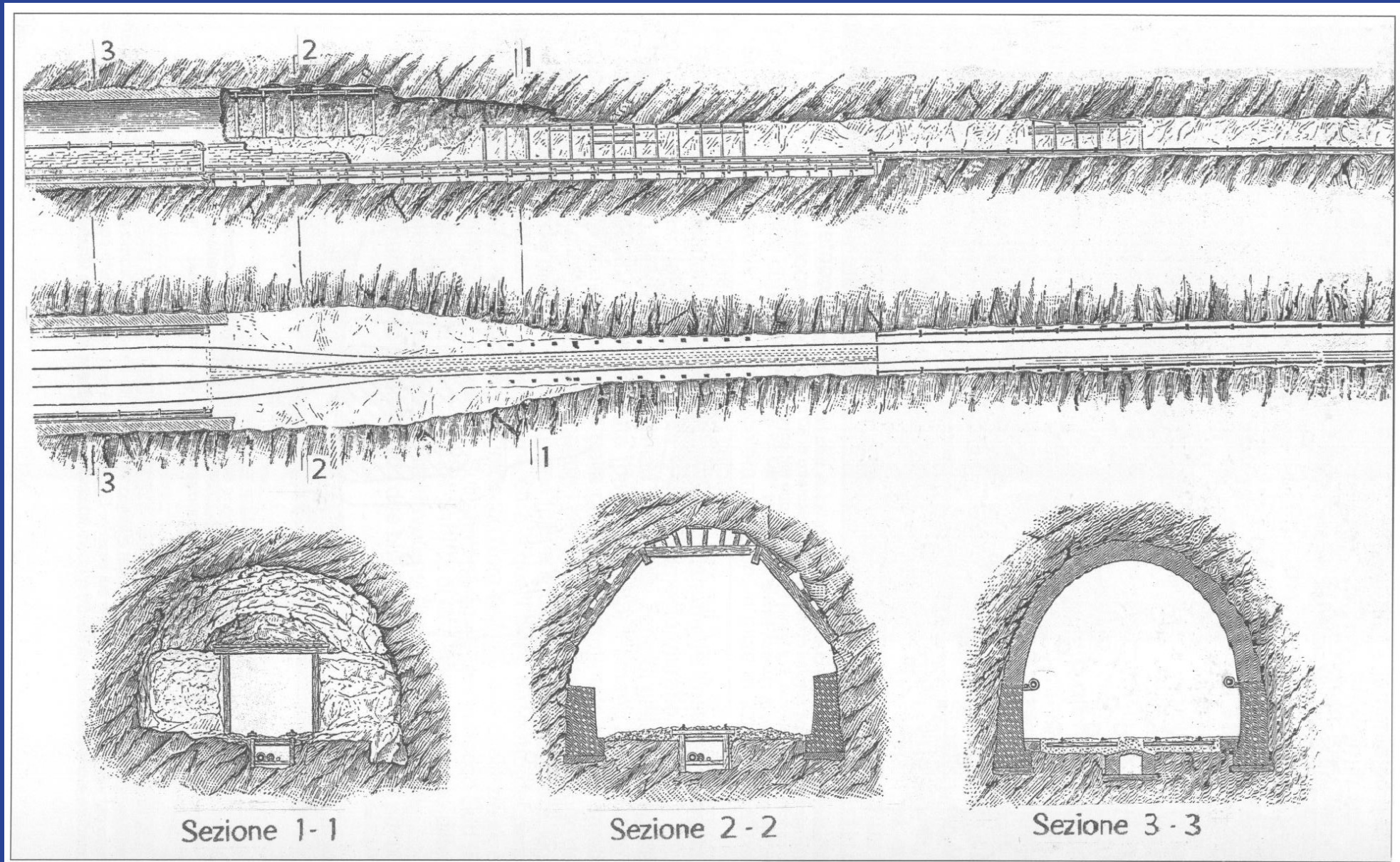
... and how they were successfully overcome



Drilling machine designed by G. Sommelier for excavating the Frejus Railway Tunnel 130 years ago

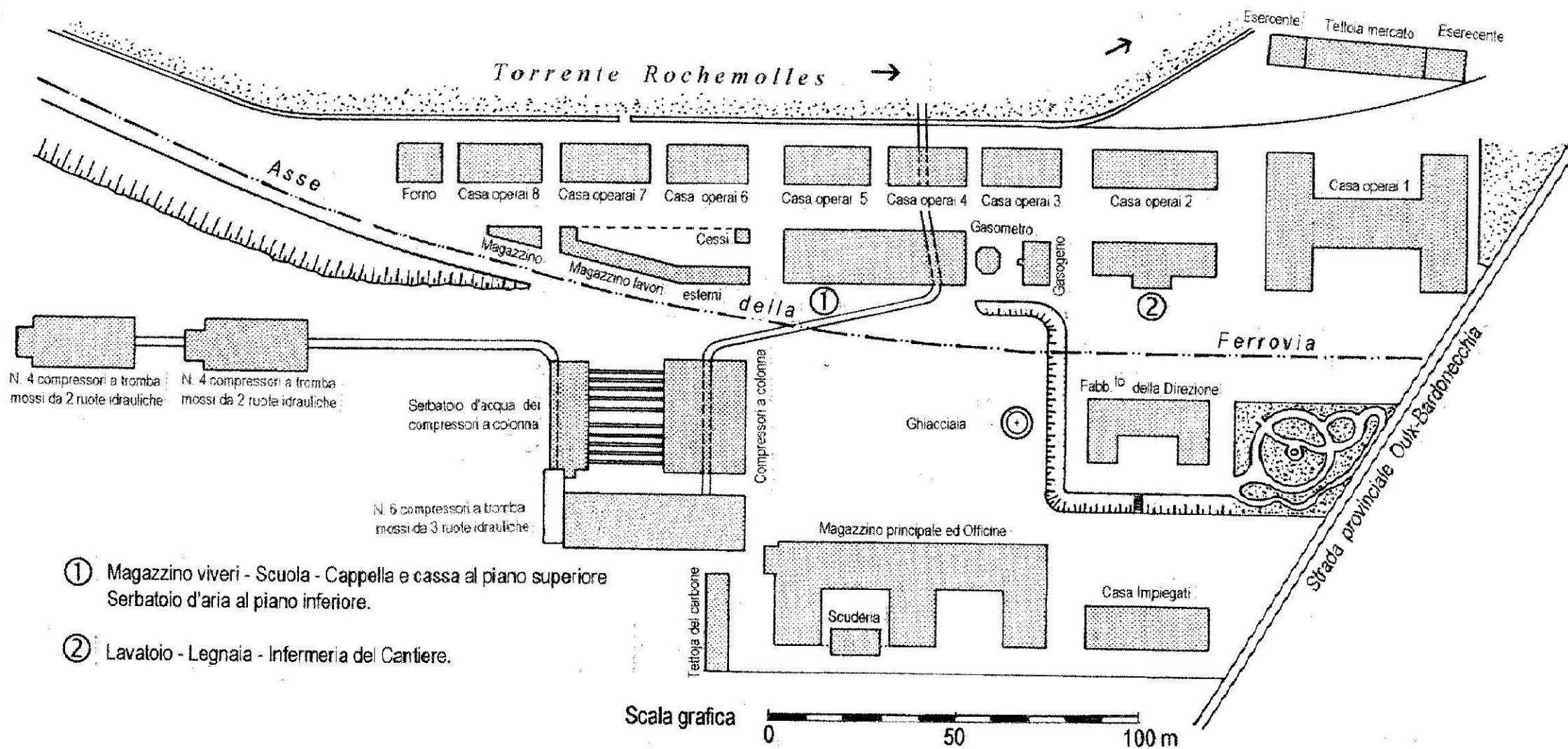
**Necessity stimulates Innovation**





**Historical FREJUS Tunnel - Scheme of the construction sequence**





General scheme of the worksite logistics in Bardonecchia (around 1865)



**The main work done so far by the ITA WG 17 was to understand better - with the help of the entire tunneling community - the worldwide trends in the planning, implementation, operation and maintenance of major infrastructure projects involving long tunnels at great depths.**





# **First Report of ITA WG17 “LONG TUNNELS AT GREAT DEPTH”**

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**The tunnelling world has witnessed steady incremental improvement in tunnel construction techniques, especially mechanized excavation methods.**

**In the area of mechanized tunnelling the case-histories presented in this Congress emphasize the huge improvements achieved:**

- **the diameter of the tunnels keeps increasing;**
- **the performance of TBMs are constantly improving;**
- **the length of a drive by a single TBM is also increasing.**

The first report prepared by the WG17 was set to meet the following specific objectives:

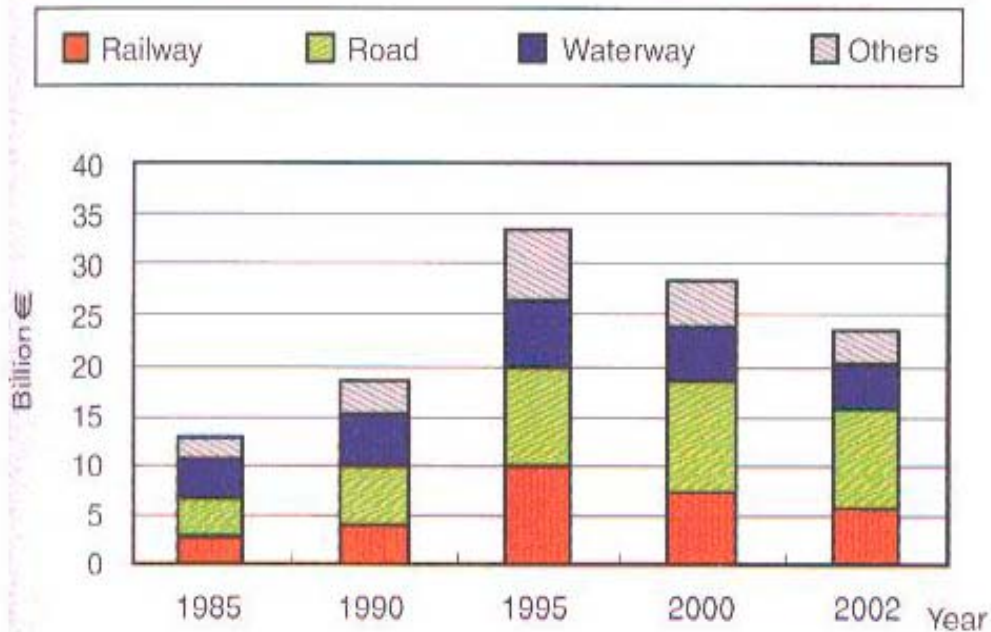
- *to report the state-of-the-art of the field,*
- *to provide a checklist of the problems involved,*
- *to recommend an approach or a methodology for resolving the major problems in the checklist.*

The feedback and advice from the professional, diversified and qualified audience of this lecture will be a valid contribution for the continuation of the works by WG17.



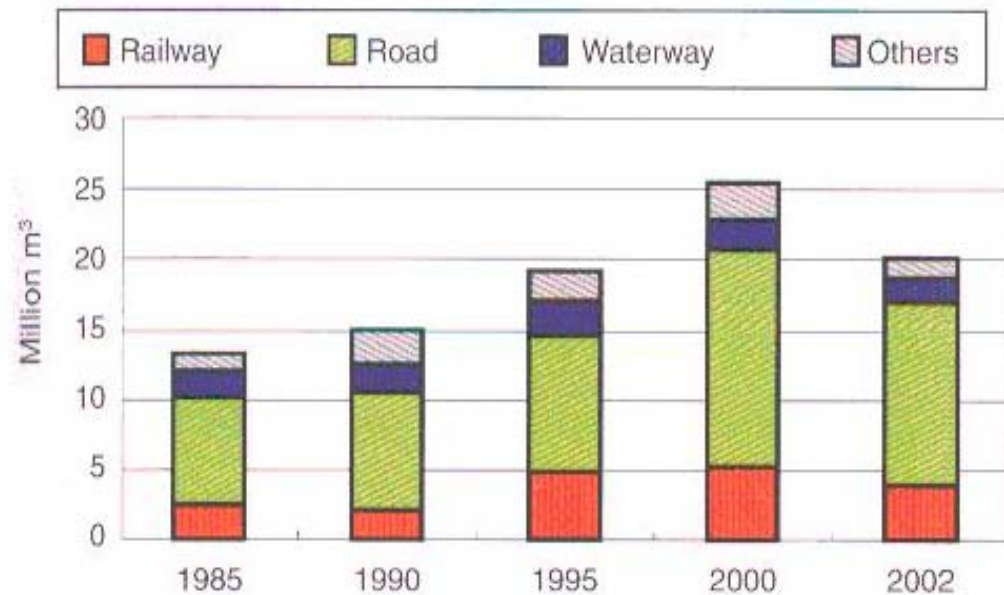
Tunnel Name	Type	Country	Opening	Length [km]	Diameter [m]	Notes
TUNNELS IN OPERATION						
Wanjiashai	hydraulic	China	2001	88.7	4.9	4 tunnels excavated with 4 double-shield telescopic TBMs
Seikan	railway	Japan	1988	53.8	9.6	23 .3 km of submarine section; 240m beneath the sea level
Channel	railway	UK - France	1994	52		11 TBMs
Laerdal	road	Norway	2000	24.5		NATM
Sempione	railway	Italy – CH	1922	19.8		
Vereina	railway	Switzerland	2001	19	7.64	9414m TBM bored in 22 months
Qinling	railway	China	1999	18		Twin tunnels, D&B for one tube, 2 TBMs for the second tube
St. Gotthard	road	Switzerland	1980	17		
Frejus	railway	Italy - France	1871	13.6		
Pinglin	road	Taiwan	2004	12.9	11.8	3 DS TBMs
North Cape	road	Norway	1999	7		212m beneath the sea level
Great Belt	railway	Denmark	2000	7		
		Some challenging international projects				
Tunnel Name	Type	Country	Started	Length [km]	Diameter [m]	Notes
TUNNELS UNDER CONSTRUCTION						
Gotthard Base		Switzerland	1999	57	9.5	90% of the length with 8 TBMs
Lotschberg Base		Switzerland	1999	36	9.5	
Guadarrama	railway	Spain	2002	22	9.5	Under construction by 4 TBMs
Hida	road	Japan		10.75	12.84 + 4.5	Tunnel + emergency tunnel
Pajares	railway	Spain	2004	25	10	

## Trend of Amount in Tunnel Works under Contract

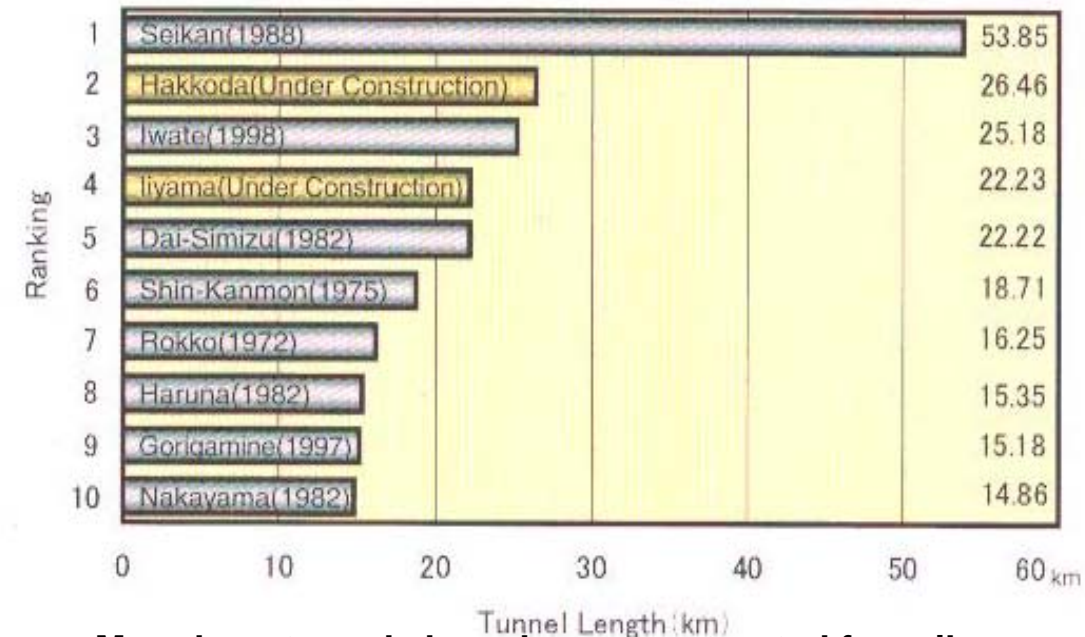


In 2000 alone, the total length of tunnels under construction was as much as 1178km

## Trend of Excavated Volume in Tunnel Works

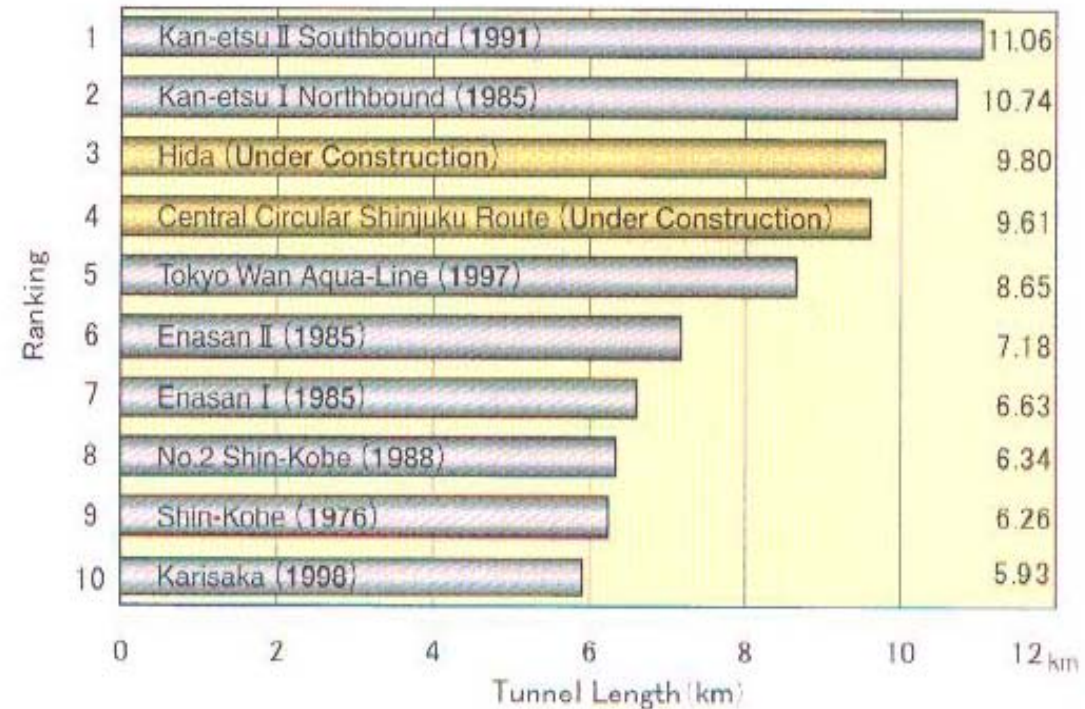


## Long Railway Tunnels in Japan



More long tunnels have been constructed for railways than for roads

## Long Road Tunnels in Japan





**Many technological innovations have been introduced in tunnel boring machines over the last years.**

**Each innovation has been originated by the requirement of minimizing and controlling certain risks. Hence, an innovation is achieved through a Risk Management process.**

**The success of an innovation depends on two main factors:**

- investment**
- the synergy among the new Actors: not only Owner, General Contractor and Designer, but also Contractor for the Special Works and TBM Manufacturer**

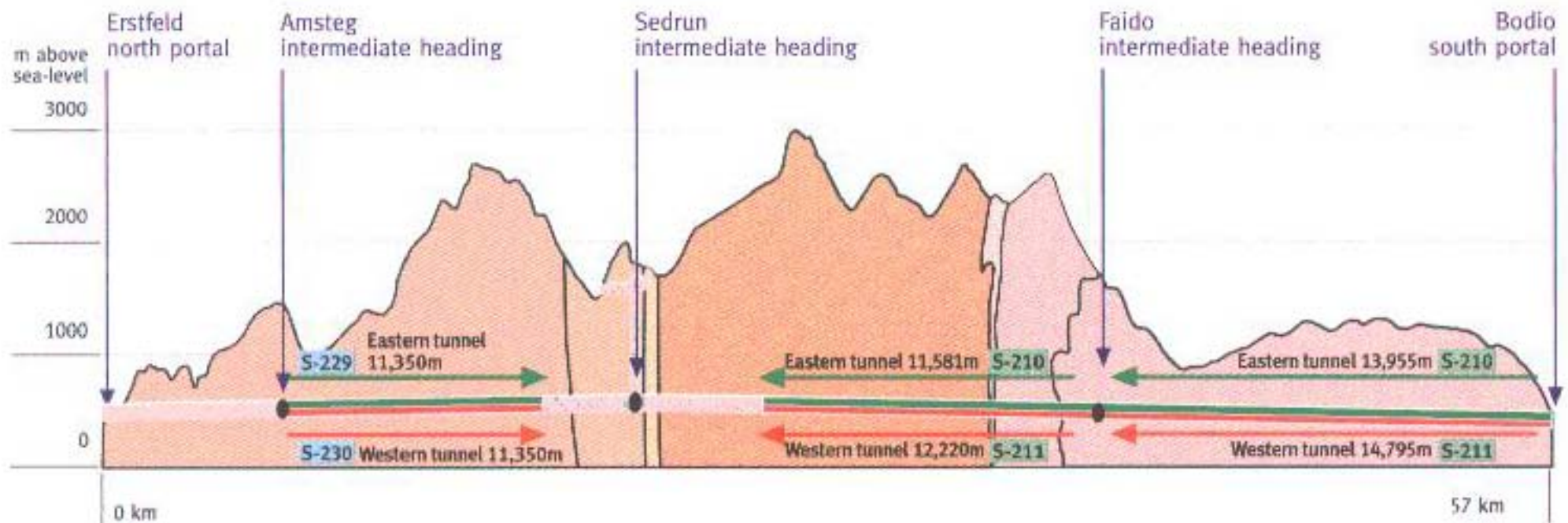


# Tunnels in the stage of planning and feasibility studies

Project Name	Type	Country	Length	Notes
<b>TUNNELS IN PLANNING AND FEASIBILITY STUDY</b>				
Brenner Base Tunnel	railway	Austria – Italy	54 km	
Lyon-Turin Base Tunnel	railway	France - Italy	52 km	
California High Speed	railway	USA	2x100 km	
Gibraltar Strait Crossing	railway	Spain - Morocco	50 km	
Nusantara Tunnel	road	Indonesia	2x33 km	
Chongming Tunnel	road	China	2x8 km	Shall be the largest bored tunnel in the world (15.2m diameter)
Brightwater System	hidraulic	USA	31 km	
Hong Kong Drainage Tunnels	hidraulic	Hong Kong	20 km	
South-North Water Transfert Scheme	hidraulic	China	244.1 km	7 tunnels, 3 of them being longer than 50 km



# The new St. Gotthard Tunnel



 **TBM-Advance with Herrenknecht machines**

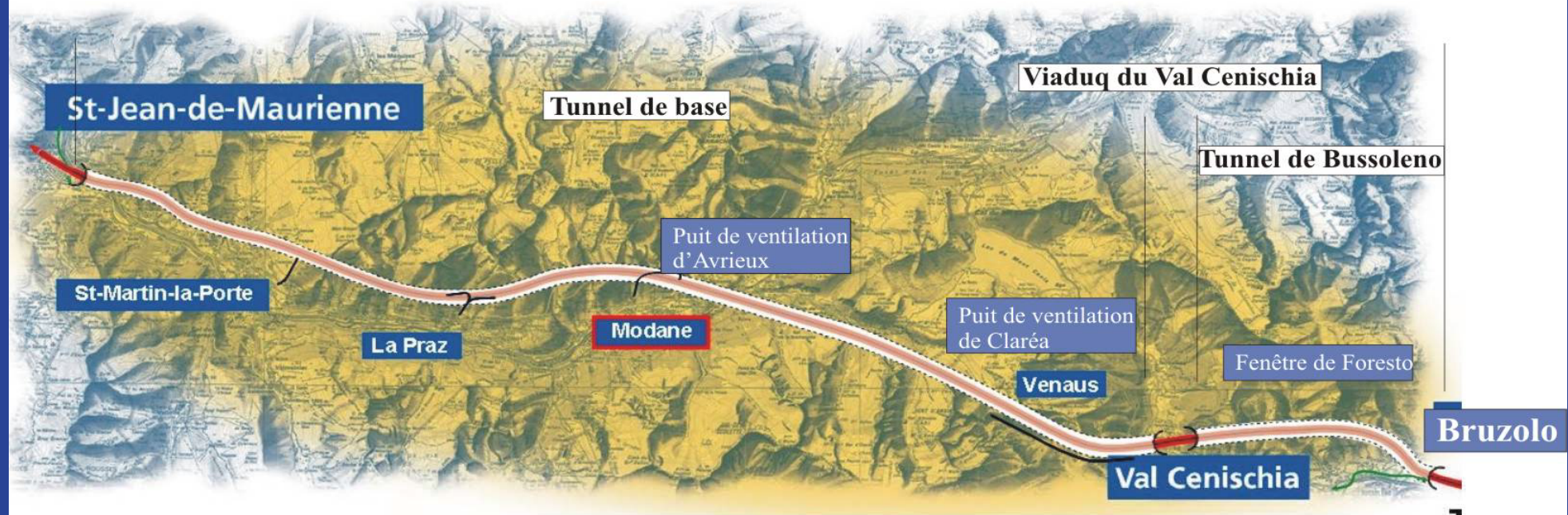
## Geology

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|--|--|
|  Aar Massif                   |  Urseren-Garvera zone |
|  Tavetsch Intermediate Massif |  Gotthard Massif      |
|  Piora zone                   |  Pennine gneiss zone  |



# The new railway link between Turin and Lyon

Figure 2 : Le tunnel de base (53 km) et le tunnel de Bussoleno (12km) de la section commune italo - française.

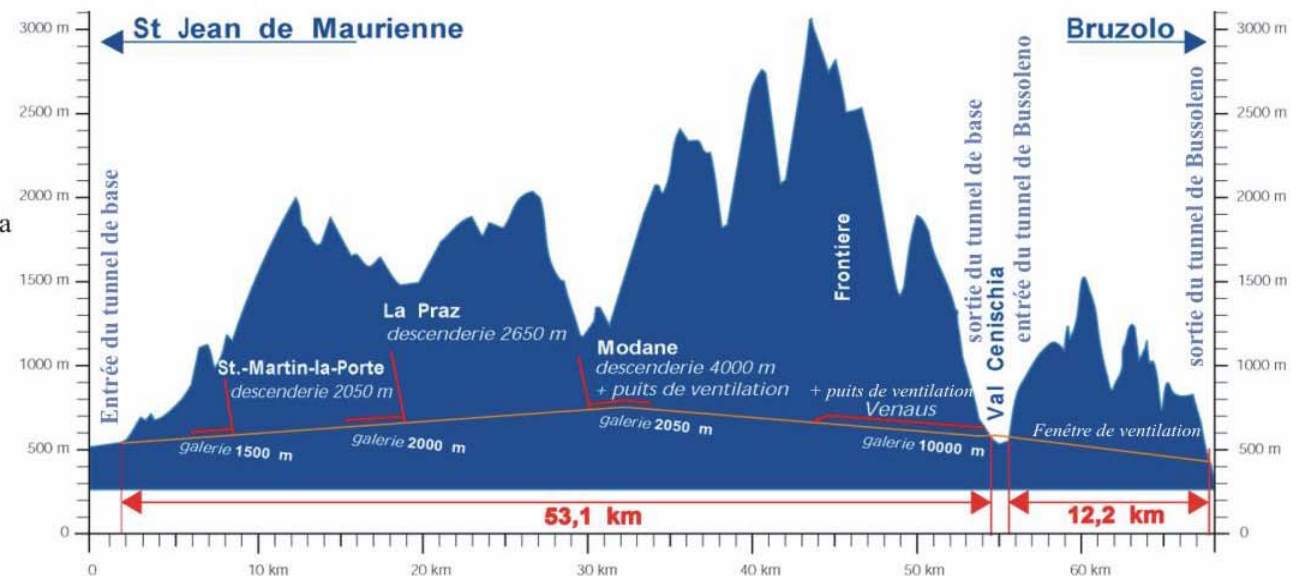


## Les ouvrages secondaires :

Galleries de Modane, La Praz, St Martin La Porte et Venaus,

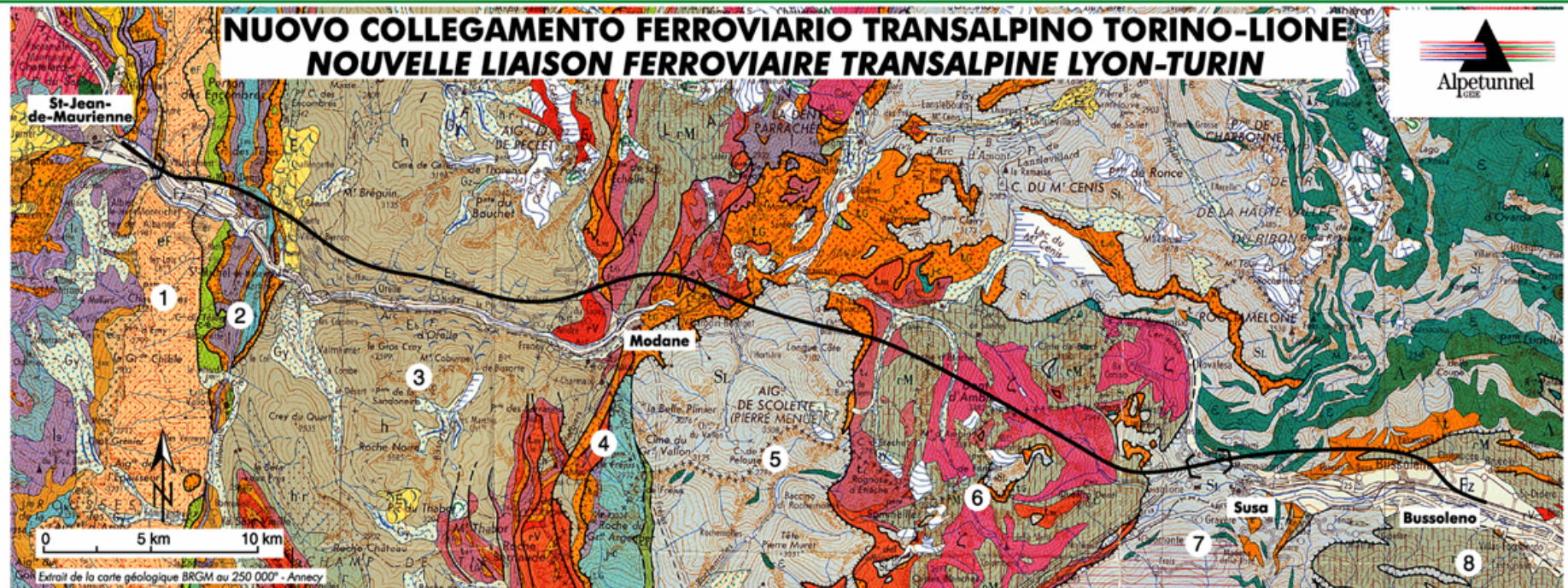
Puits de ventilation d'Avrieux et de Claréa

Fenêtre de Foresto

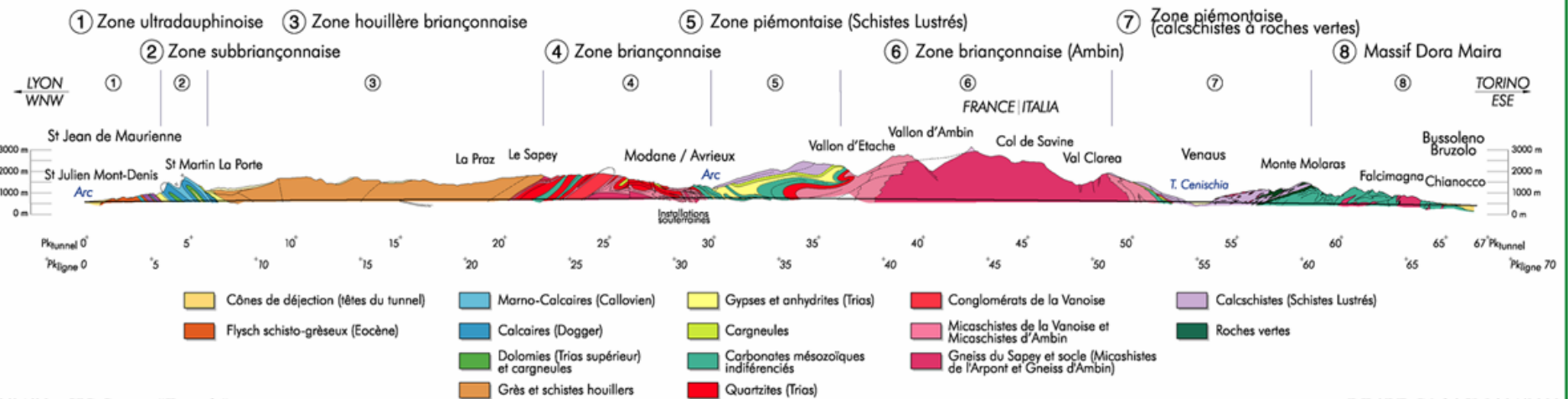




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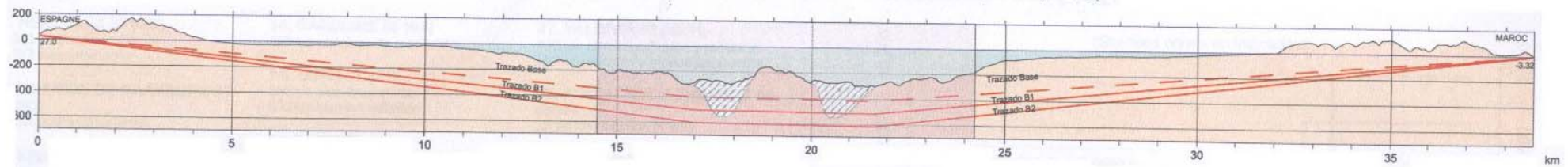
**CARTA E SEZIONI GEOLOGICHE SEMPLIFICATE DEI TUNNEL DI BASE E DI BUSSOLENO**  
**CARTE ET COUPES GEOLOGIQUES SIMPLIFIEES DES TUNNELS DE BASE ET DE BUSSOLENO**  
 (G. Ménard et R. Sacchi, 03/2000)



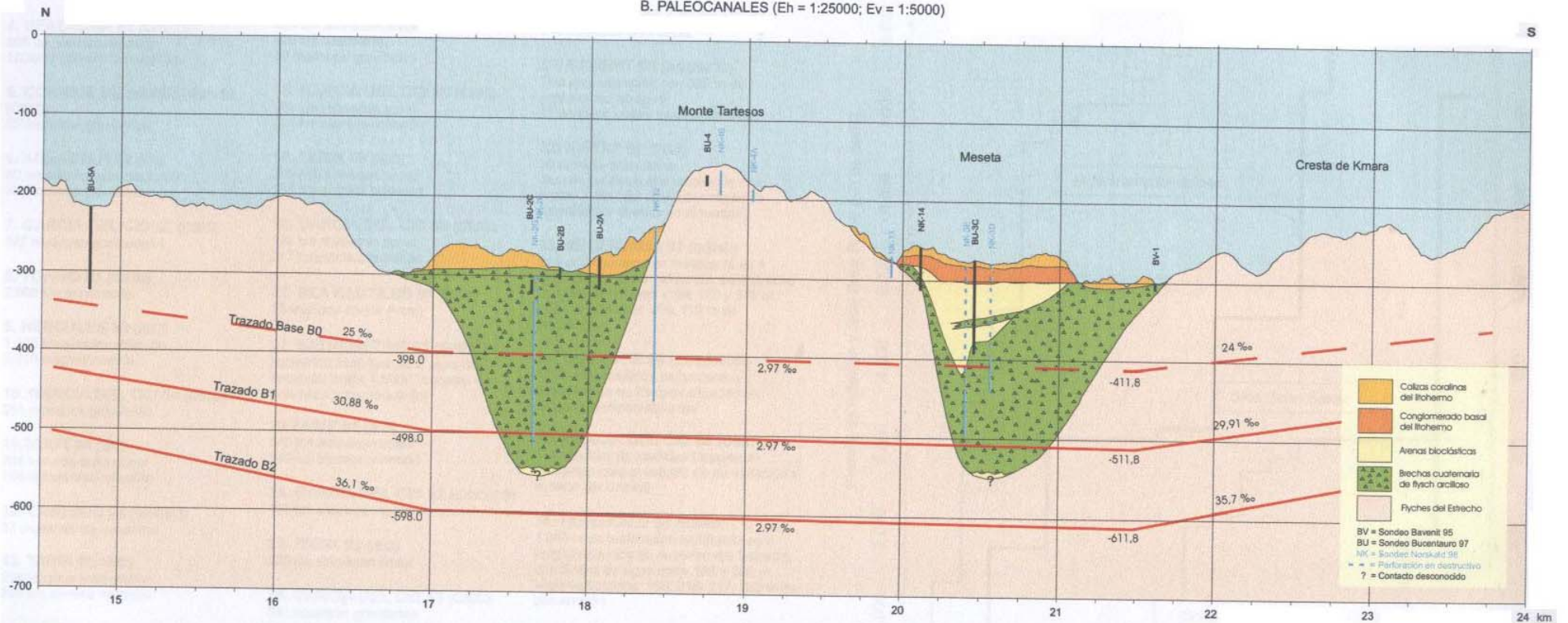


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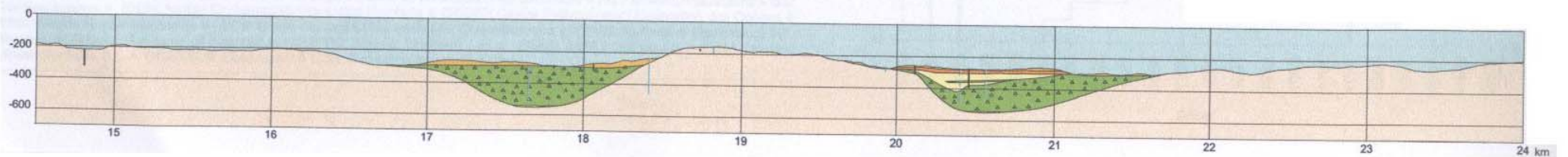
A. PERFIL BASICO Y VARIANTES PROFUNDAS  
Trazo Base ( $z \approx -400$  m;  $i = 25\text{‰}$ ) ● Trazado B1 ( $z \approx -500$  m;  $i = 30\text{‰}$ ) ● Trazado B2 ( $z \approx -600$  m;  $i = 35\text{‰}$ )



B. PALEOCANALES (Eh = 1:25000; Ev = 1:5000)

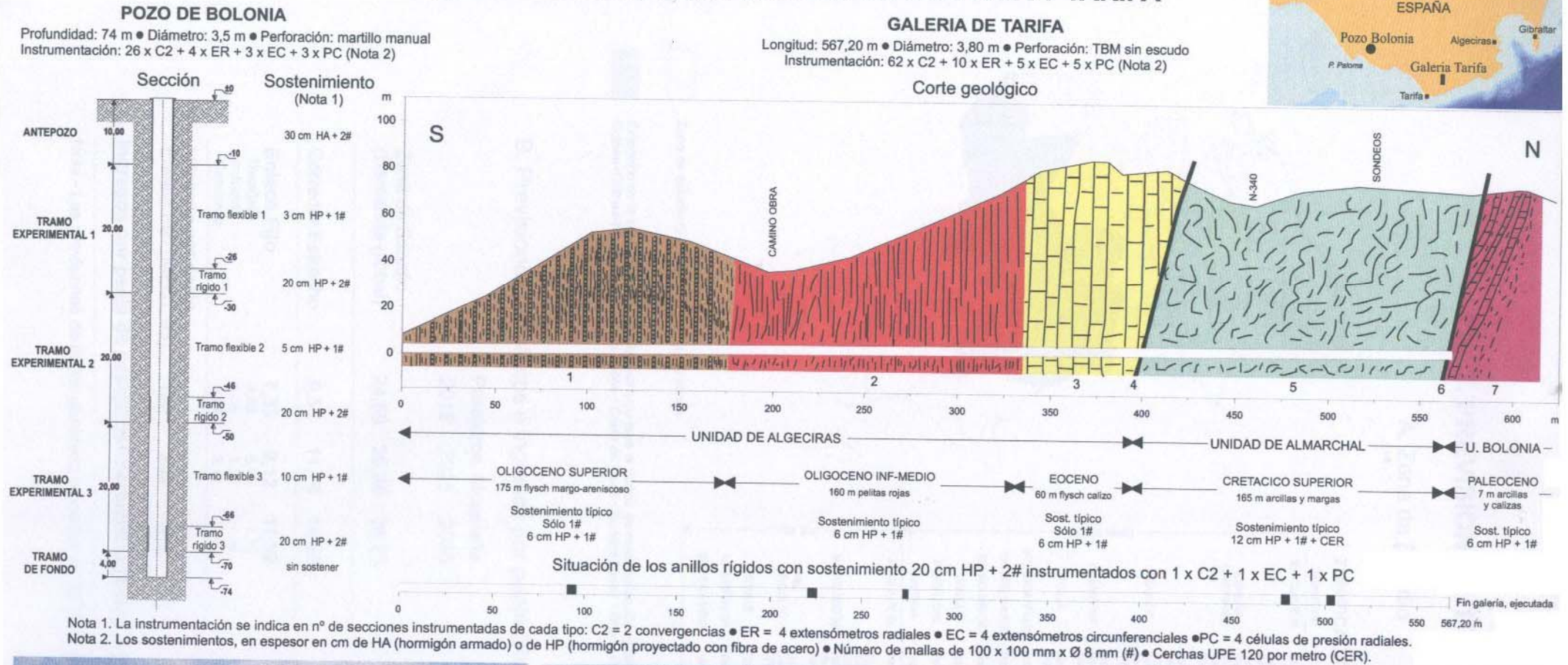


C. PALEOCANALES (Eh = 1:25000; Ev = 1:25000)





**Fig. 6. OBRAS EXPERIMENTALES DE BOLONIA Y TARIFA**



Pozo de Bolonia. Al fondo el cerro de San Bartolomé



Tuneladora Ø 3,80 m utilizada en la Galería de Tarifa



Galería de Tarifa. Tramo de flysch margo-areniscoso



## Behavior of the rock mass upon excavation and heterogeneity of ground in the face

Stability of the excavation face and of the cavity

Rock wedges

Yielding and plastic zone

Failure of the walls under the grippers

Squeezing

Swelling

Sticky behavior

Water inflow

Gas inflow



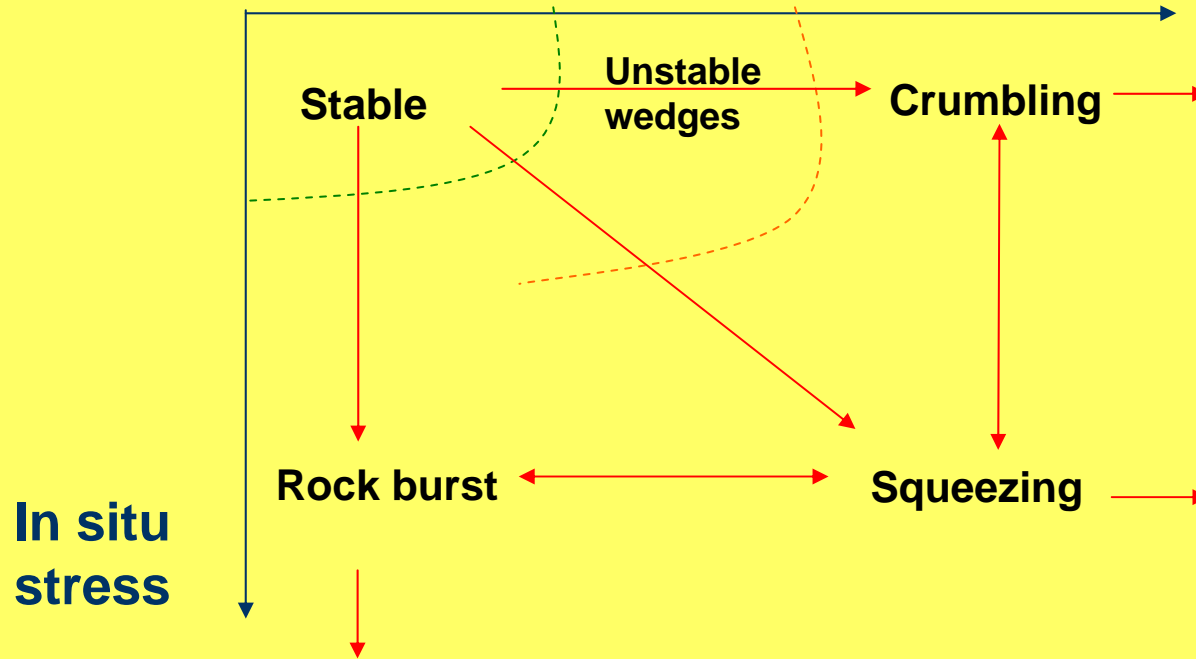
S.S.1 - S.Niccolò Pilot Tunnel (1991-1992)  
*Squeezing behavior / collapse of the reaction  
zone beneath the grippers*



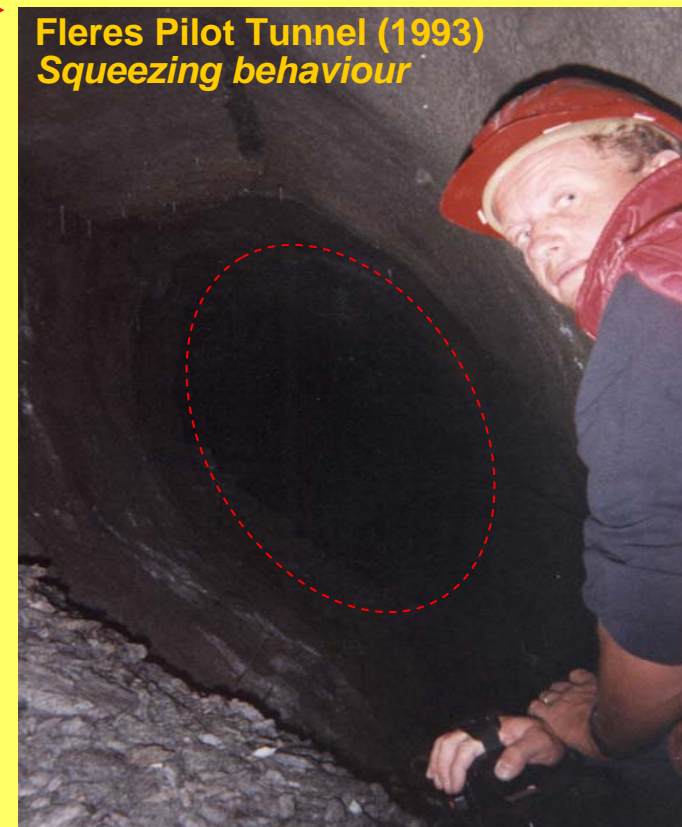
# The deformation phenomena

(most frequent condition)

Fracturing degree



Pont Ventoux Hydroelectric Power Plant  
*Crumbling behavior in a fault zone: heavy support behind the head of the TBM (from Barla and Pelizza, 2000)*



Fleres Pilot Tunnel (1993)  
*Squeezing behaviour*

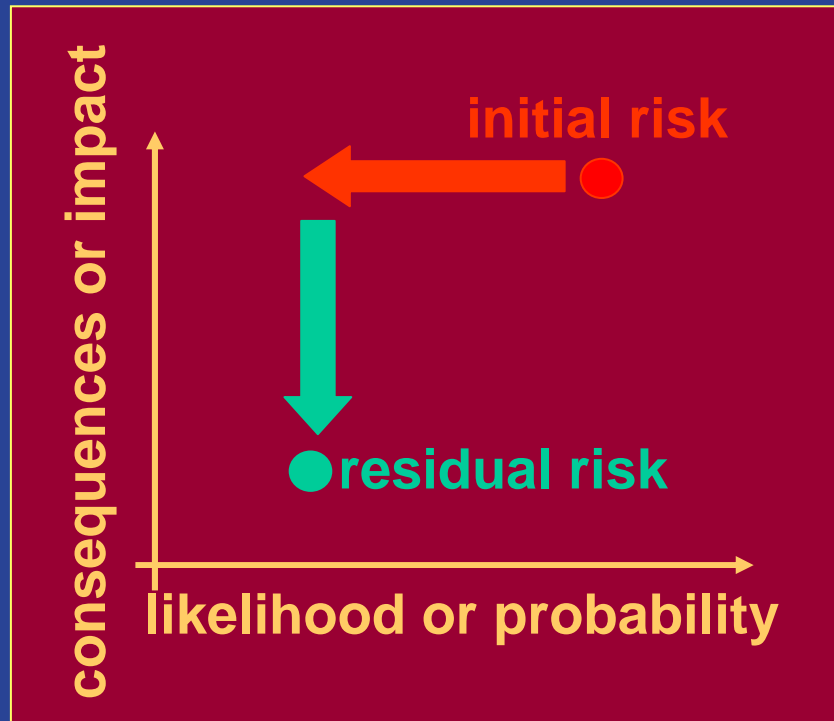


St. Gotthard Tunnel  
*Rock burst*

# The need for a Risk Management Approach

No construction project is risk free. Risk can be managed, minimized, shared, transferred, or simply accepted, but it cannot be ignored.

Realistically, not all risks associated with underground construction can be entirely avoided or mitigated.



**HAZARD** is an event that may cause damage, and is associated with a probability of occurrence and losses.

**RISK** is generally defined as the product of the probability of occurrence and the resulting losses (impact, consequence).

**RESIDUAL RISK** is the risk remaining after primary-risk response.



# Risk Identification and Quantification

Risk should be properly managed by:

- risk identification,
- risk quantification,
- definition of the responses to risk

## LEGEND – Risk Scale

	Negligible
	Low
	Medium
	High

		PROBABILITY				
		Negligible	Unlikely	Likely	Probable	Very likely
IMPACT	Very high		<b>Face instability</b>		<b>Rockbursts</b>	
	High				<b>Squeezing conditions</b>	
	Medium		<b>Lowering of the</b>		<b>Water Inflow</b>	
	Low		<b>groundwater table</b>			
	Very low			<b>Inadequate</b>		
				<b>support capacity</b>		

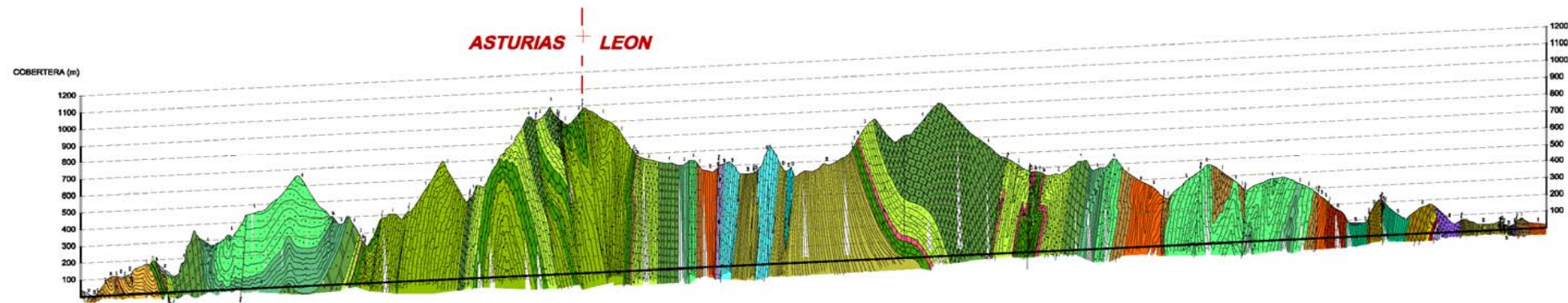
# Risk Quantification

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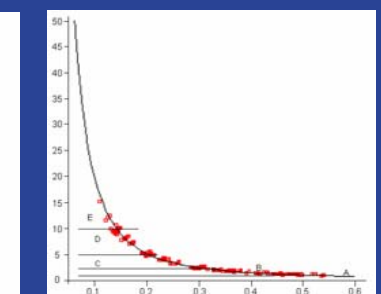
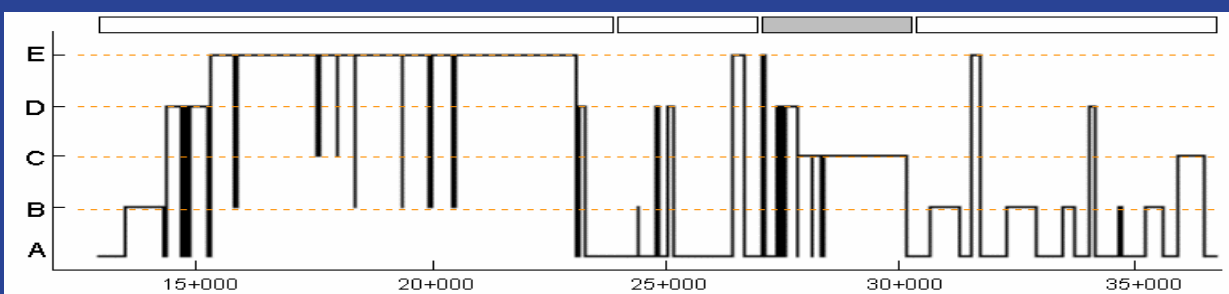
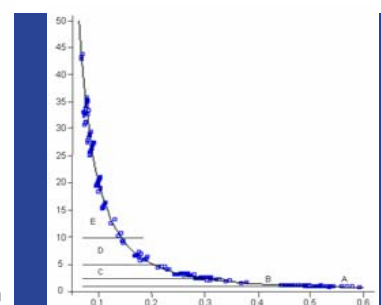
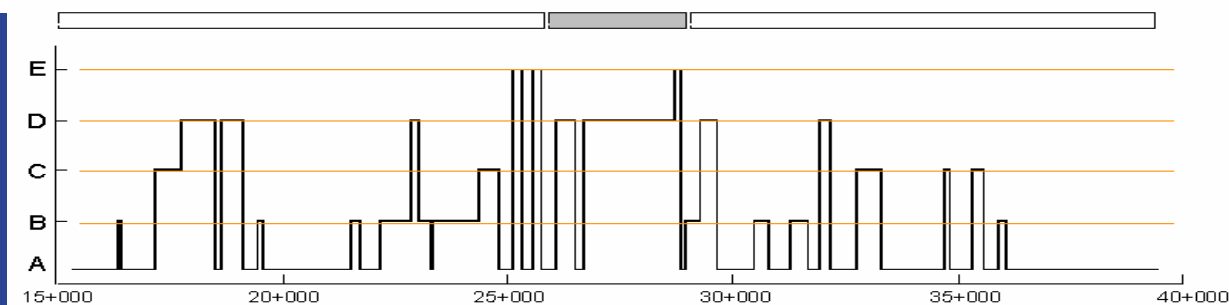
Esquema constructivo y diagrama de ejecución (plazos probabilísticos)

Solución base del Estudio Informativo

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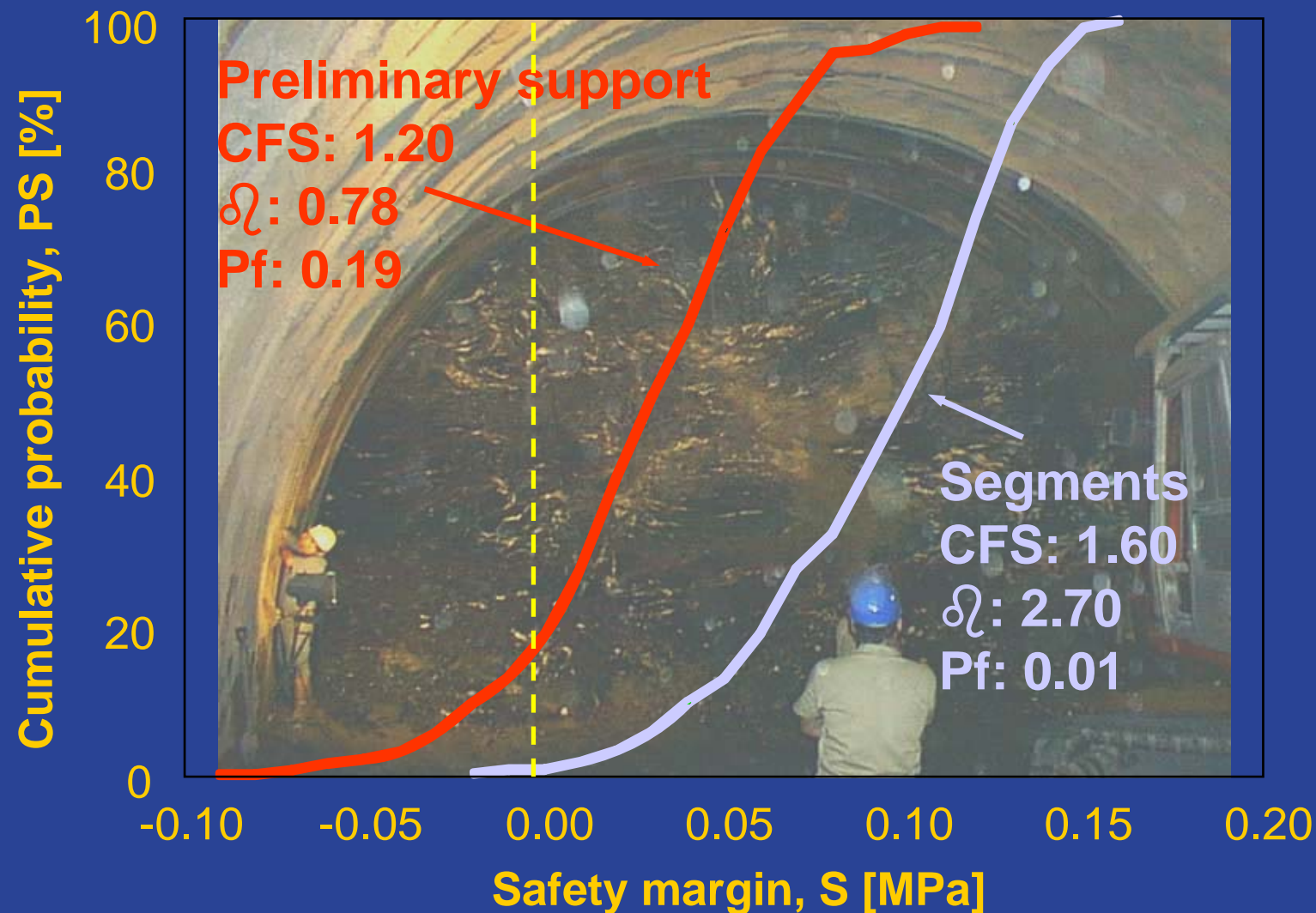


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CALIDAD TERRENO	Red	Red	Yellow	Red	Yellow
TASA DE CONVERGENCIA	Green	Red	Yellow	Red	Green
PRESENCIA DE AGUA	Yellow	Red	Yellow	Red	Green
PRESENCIA DE GAS	Yellow	Green	Red	Red	Green



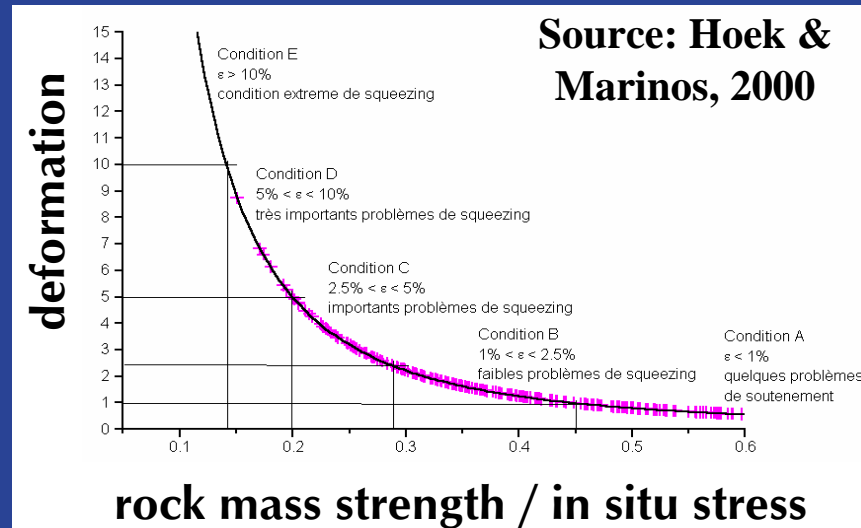


## Example of quantifying the probability of failure

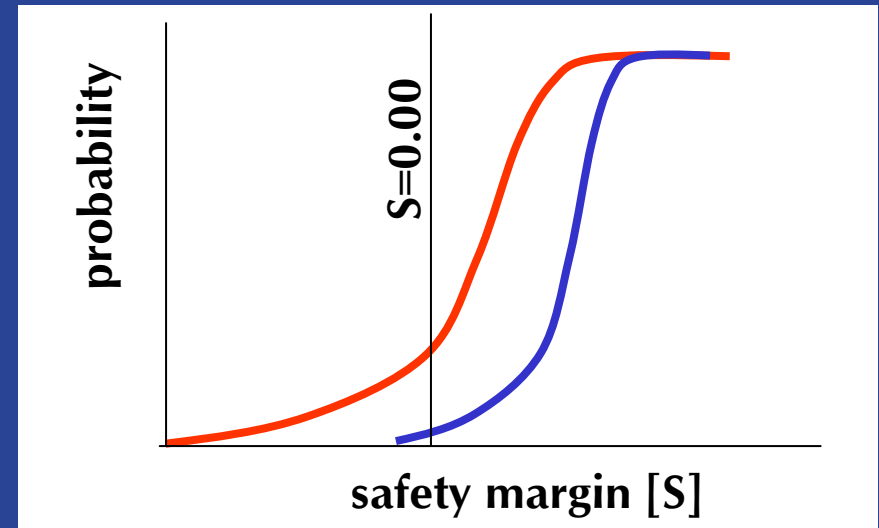


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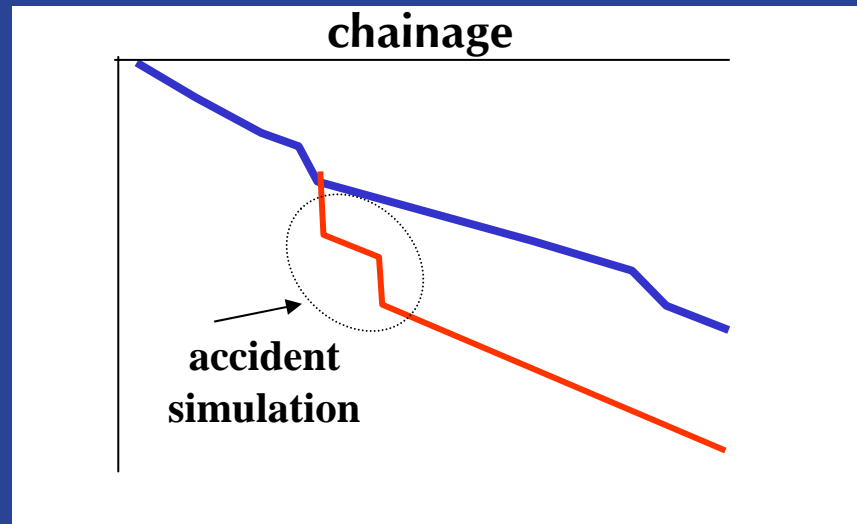
## Evaluation of rock mass behavior



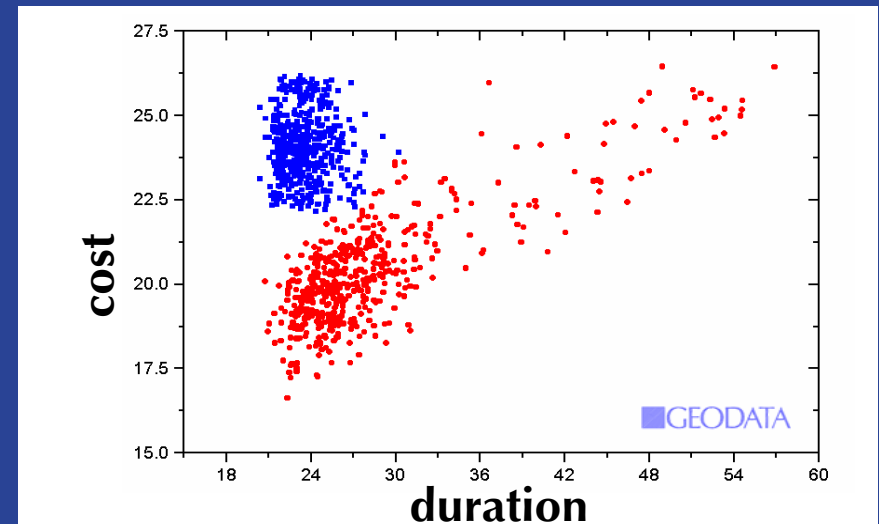
## Evaluation of section capacity



## Simulation of structural inadequacy

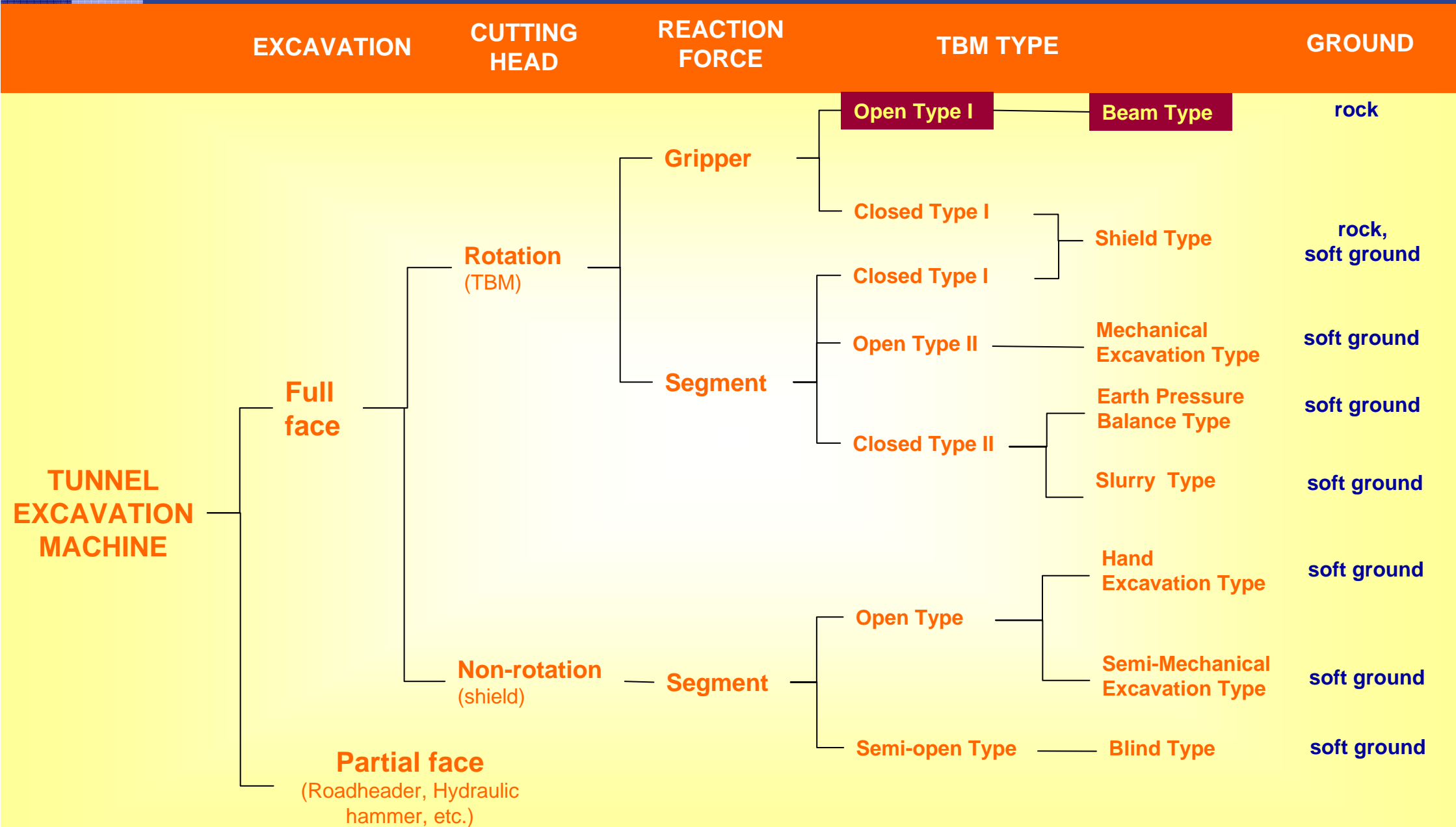


## Distribution of time and cost



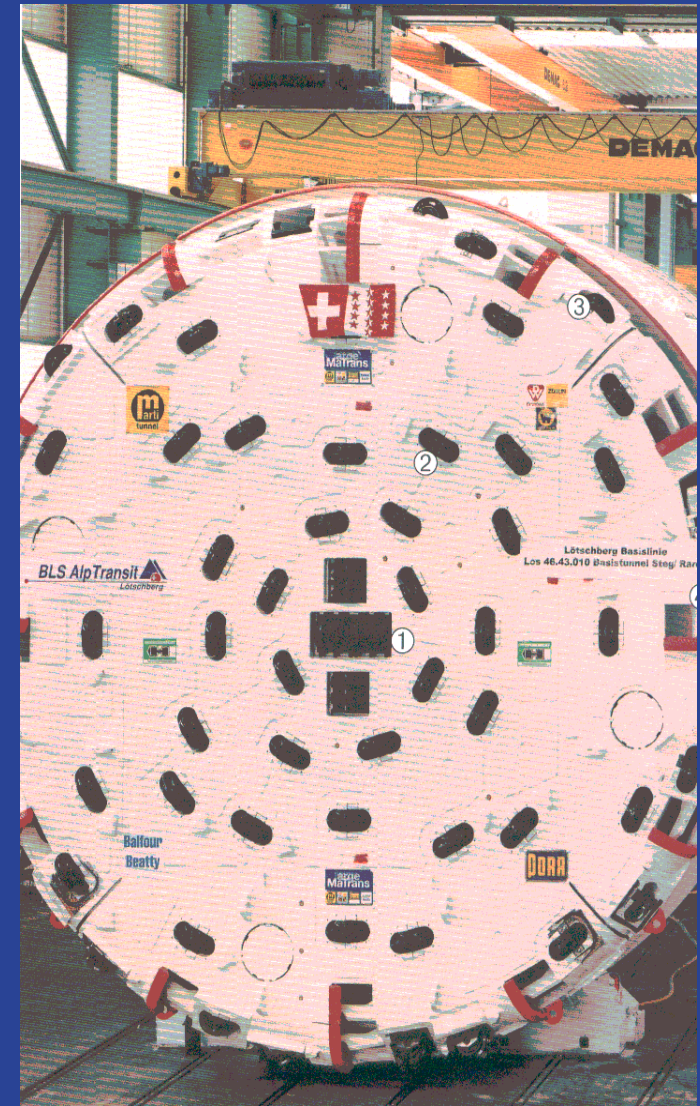
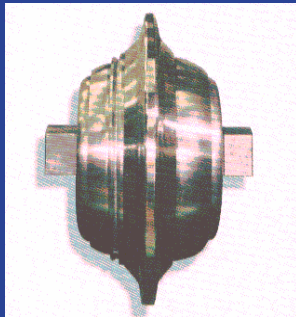
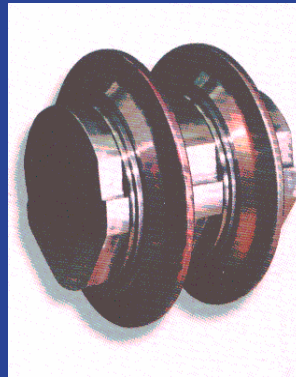
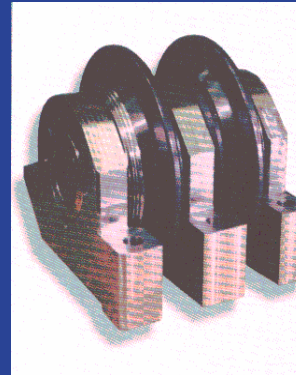


# Classification of tunnel excavation machines (ITA WG14, 2000)



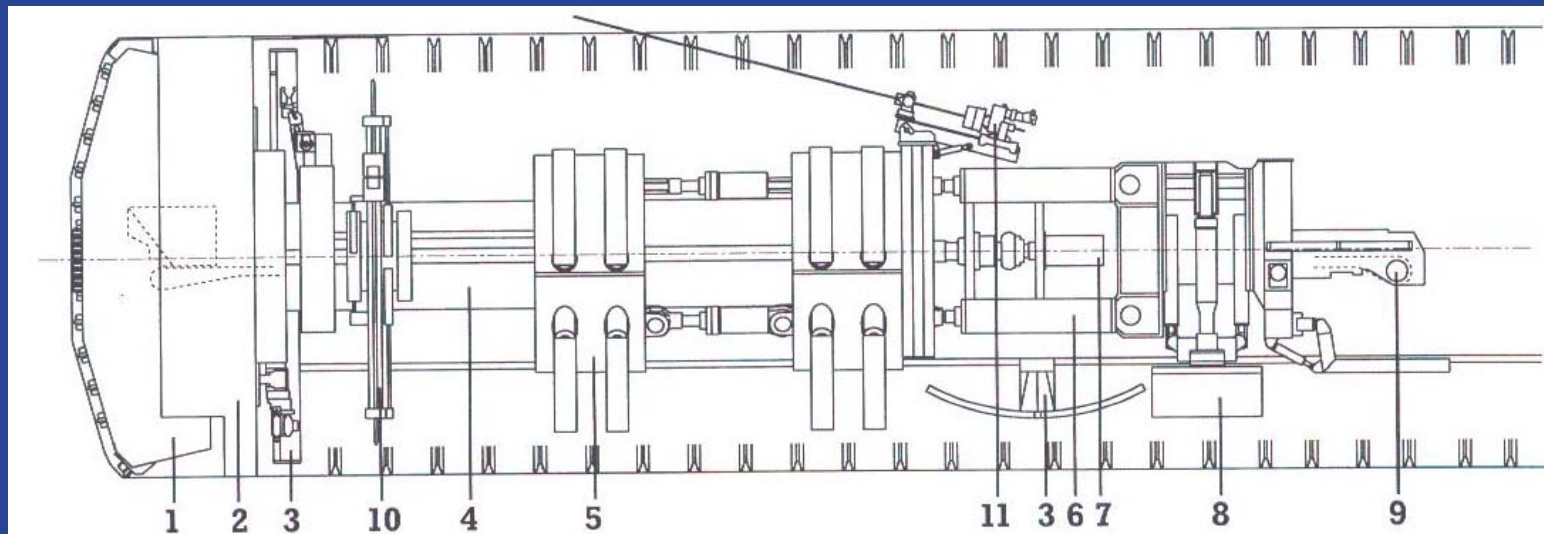
# Open gripper TBMs

The family of open TBMs is developed for excavating in rock.  
The thrusting force is obtained by reacting on the grippers.  
The head is equipped with cutting disks.





# Open TBMs



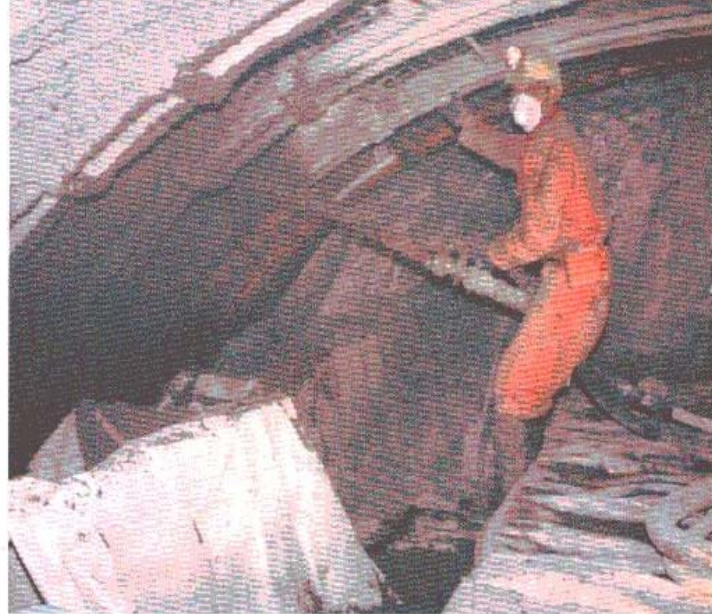
1. Cutter head 2. Cutter head shield, hydraulically adjustable 3. Support installation system and transport system 4. Inner kelly  
5. Outer kelly, two-piece, with grippers and adjusting cylinders 6. Thrust cylinder 7. Cutter head drive 8. Rear support  
9. Belt conveyor 10. Roof-bolting drill 11. Probe drill







Ribs and wire-mesh support are mechanically installed directly behind the cutter head



Shotcreting can start immediately behind the cutter head



Space is available on the machine for fitting of wire-mesh support and ring beams



The support rings installed are bridged to avoid damage; the geometry of the grippers is tailored to this.



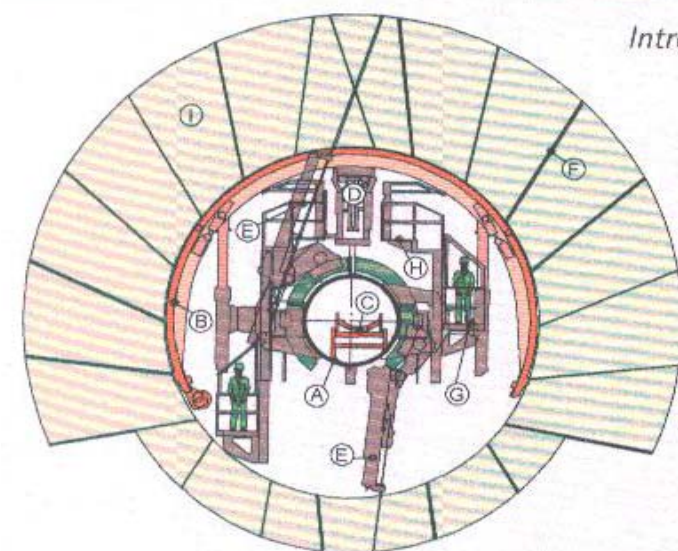
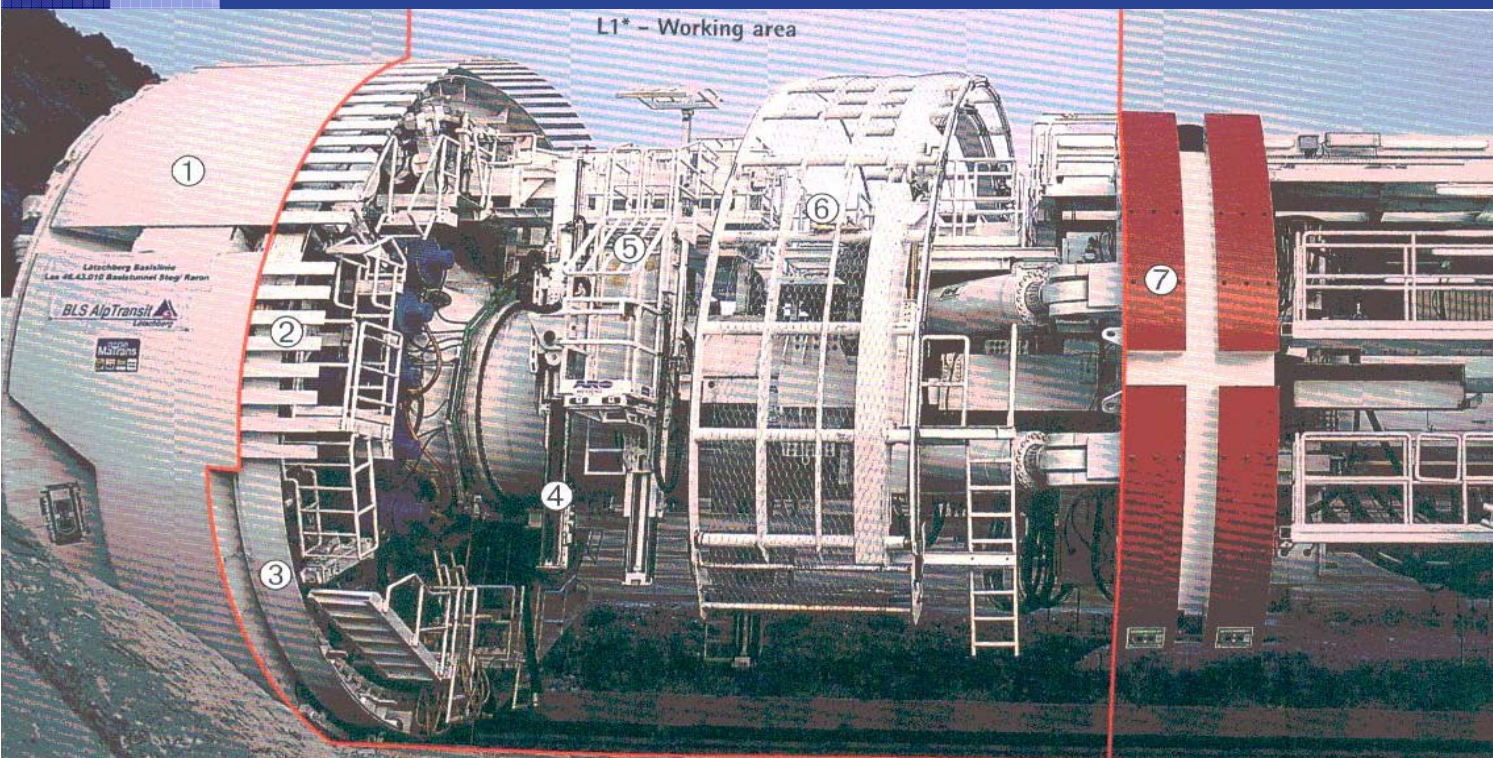
The clearance underneath the machine allows invert cleaning and transport of invert segments.





# Open TBMs – the working zone

The requirement of stabilizing the tunnel immediately behind the cutting head, when excavating in fractured rock, led to the development of effective and versatile systems for the installation of the support.



*Introduction of rock anchors as protection against loose rock.*

- Ⓐ machine carrier
- Ⓑ wire mesh erector
- Ⓒ conveyor belt
- Ⓓ supply of support segments / wire mesh
- Ⓔ rock drill mount
- Ⓕ anchors
- Ⓖ work cage with safety roof
- Ⓗ work platform with safety roof
- Ⓘ telescopic anchor area



The only means of face support is mechanical

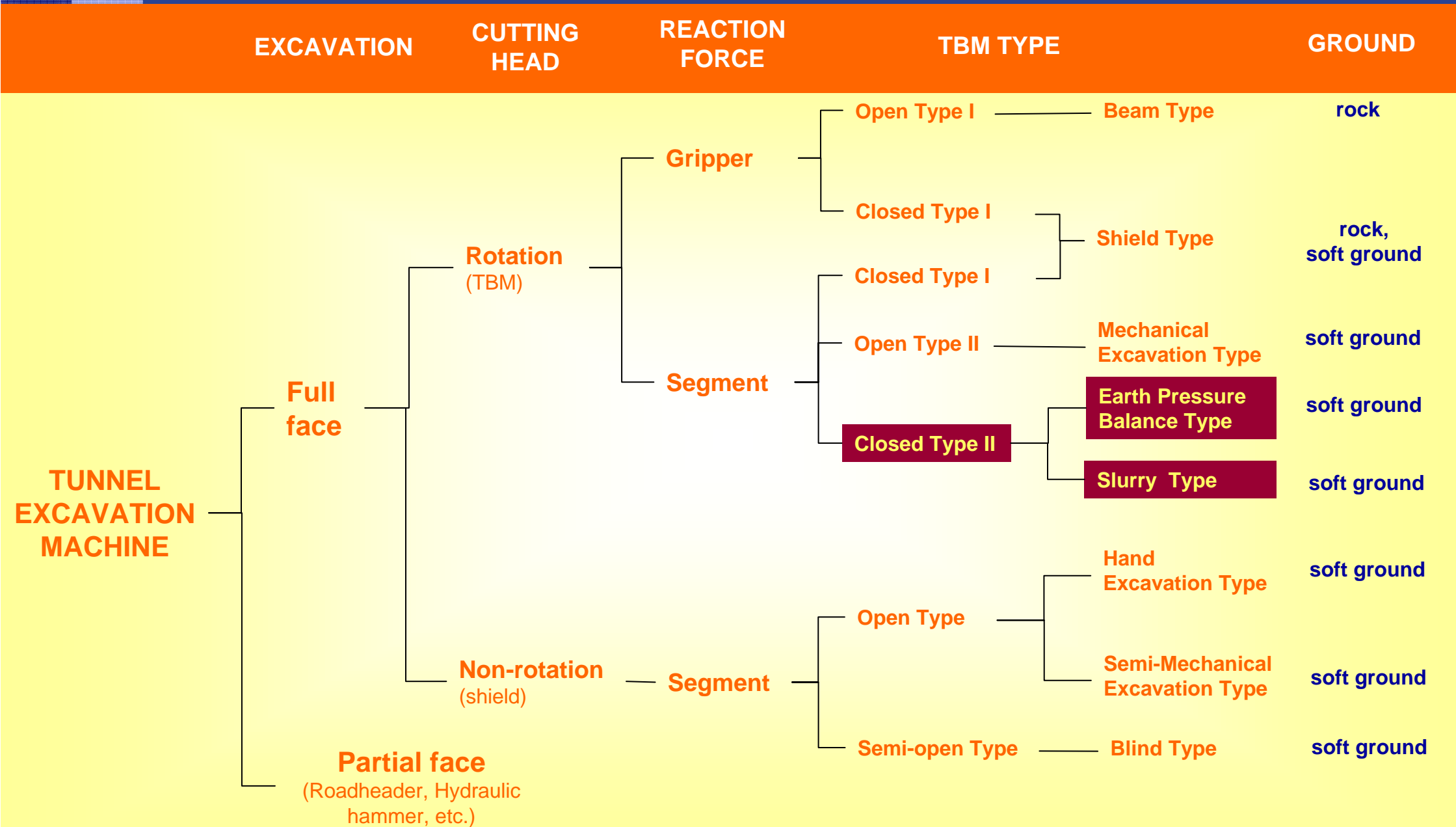




TBM Herrenknecht - Lötschberg Base Tunnel ( $\phi=9.43\text{m}$ )

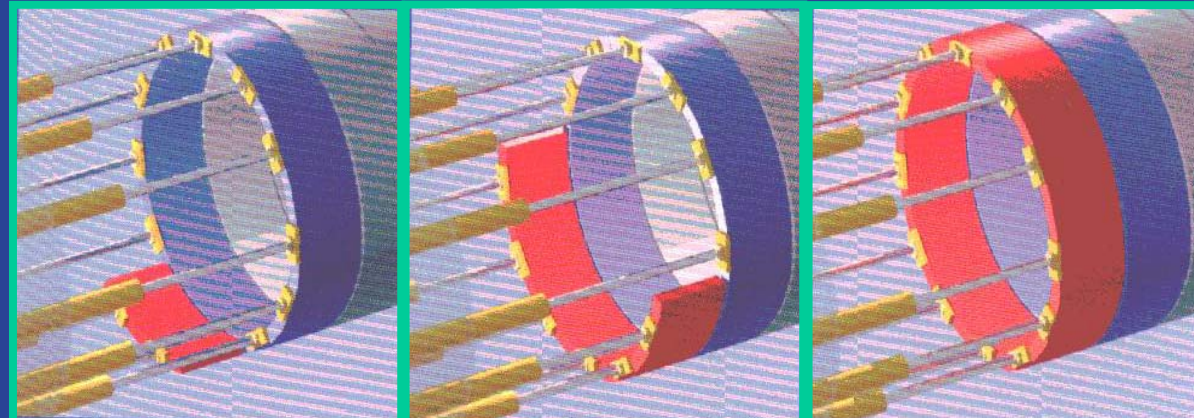
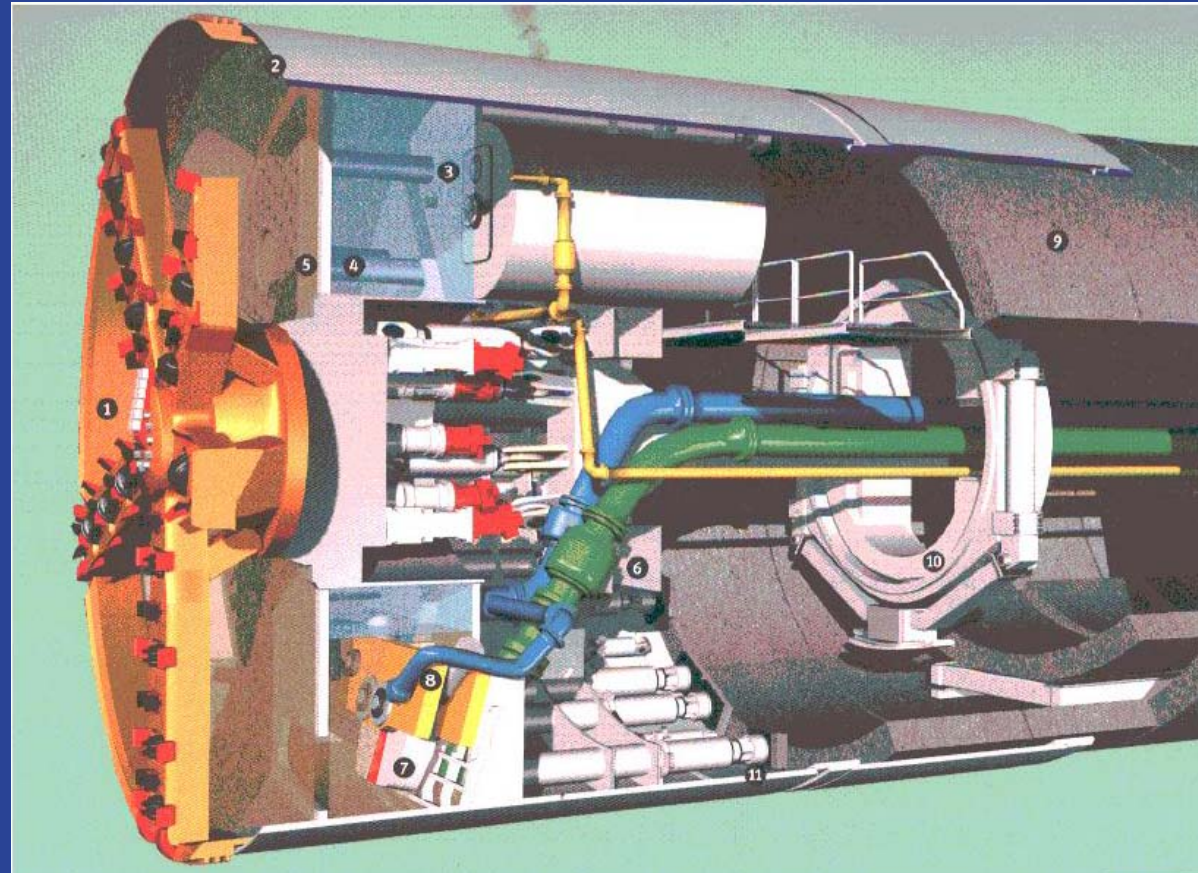


# Classification of tunnel excavation machines (ITA WG14, 2000)



Another category of excavation machines is developed for poor geological conditions, the so-called closed shields, equipped for pressurizing the excavation face.

Advanced technologies guarantee the hydraulic tightness towards the inside of the shield creating the possibility of working with non-mechanical means of face support: Slurry shields and EPB Shields.

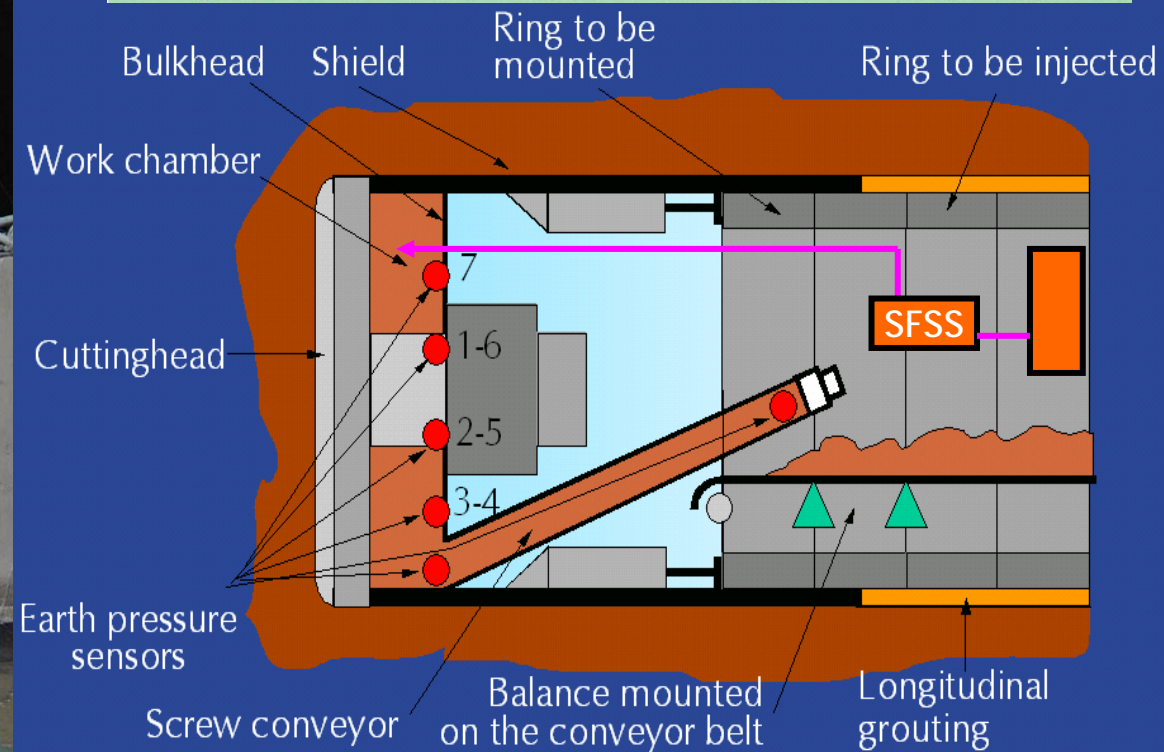
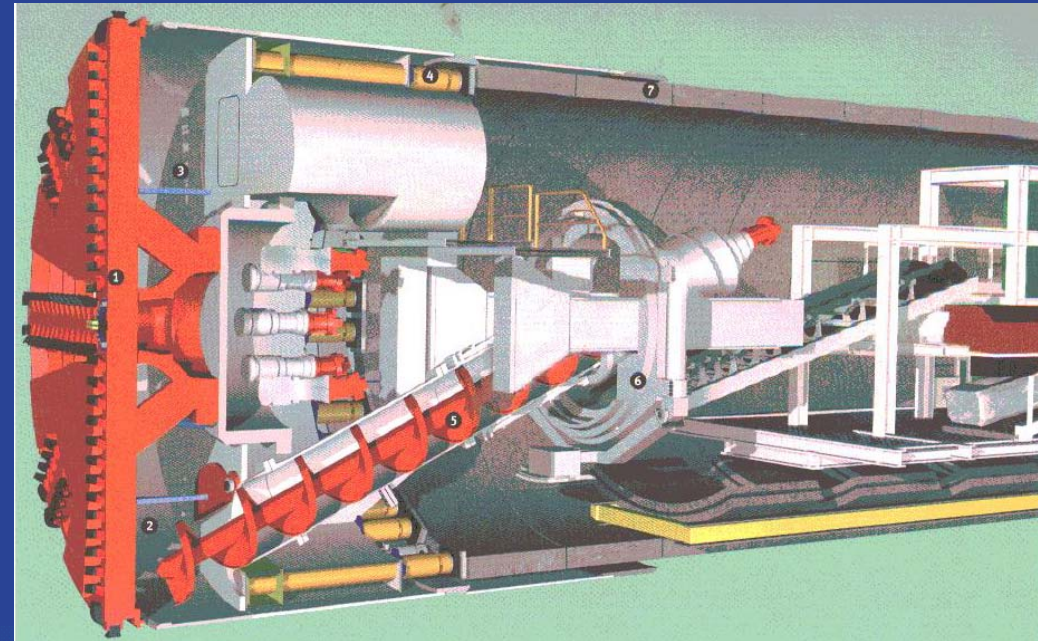




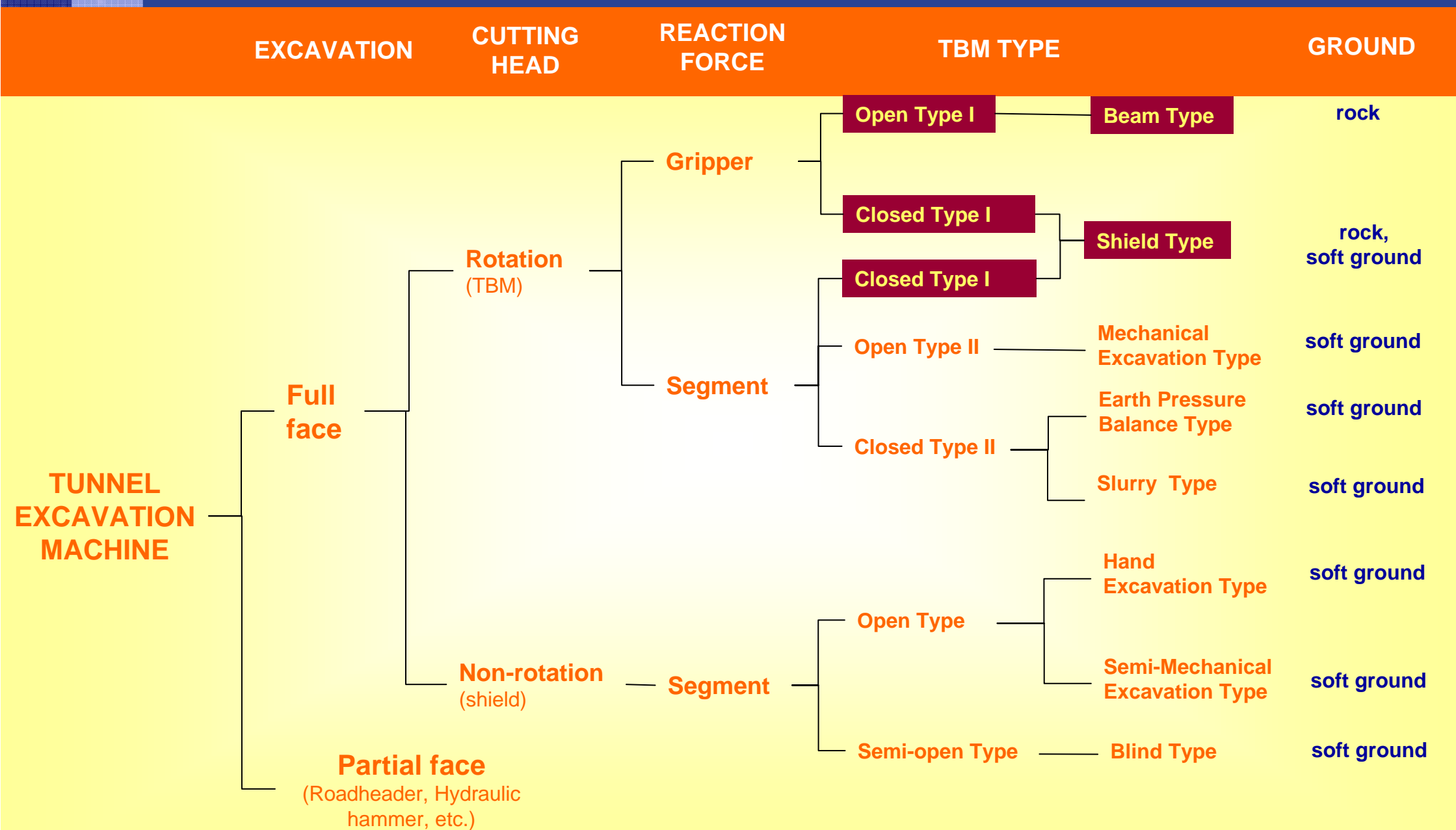
One of the two Herrenknecht EPB-TBMs used for excavating the 7km of tunnels of Porto Metro



## Earth Pressure Balance



# Classification of tunnel excavation machines (ITA WG14, 2000)







a) open

b) shielded

The first significant hybrid machine is a double-shield TBM produced by Robbins in the early '80: grippers + lining installed under the protection of a shield.

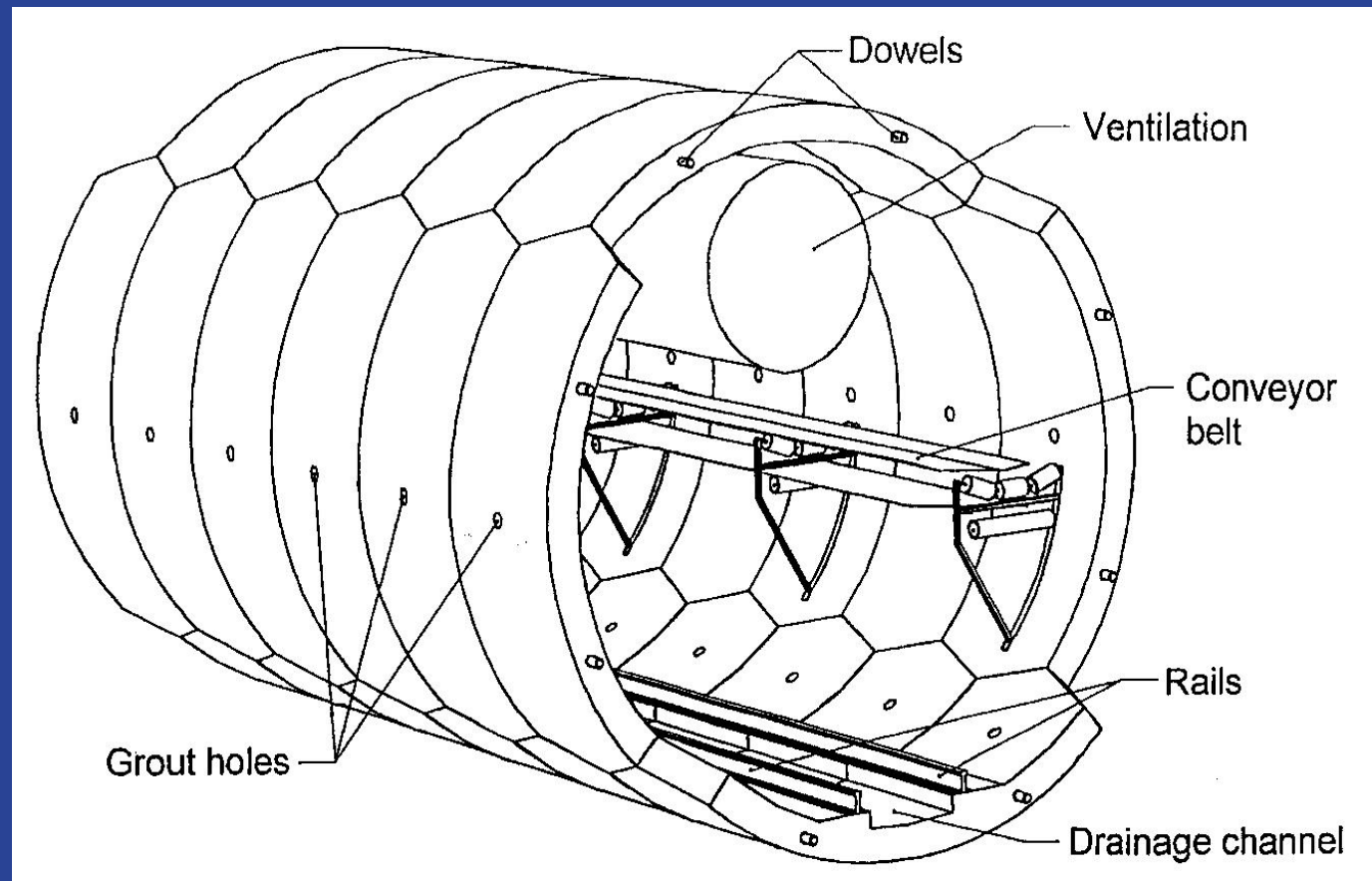


c) Double shield  
Robbins TBM



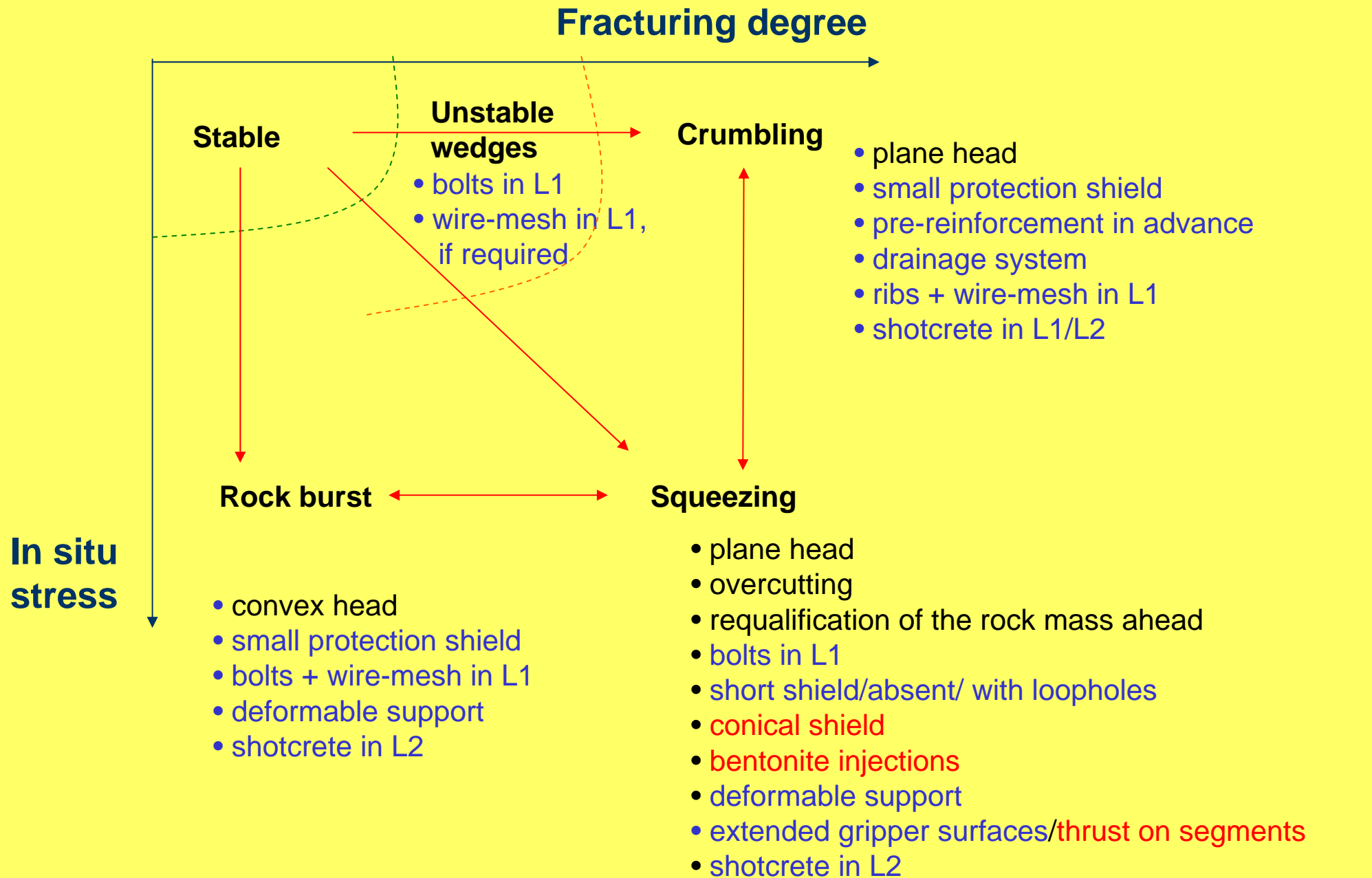
## Rapid lining installation for straight tunnels: the hexagonal segments

With the offset in the circumferential joints it is possible to erect half of a ring while the TBM is thrusting its gripping units against the second half of the previously installed ring.





# Possible solutions



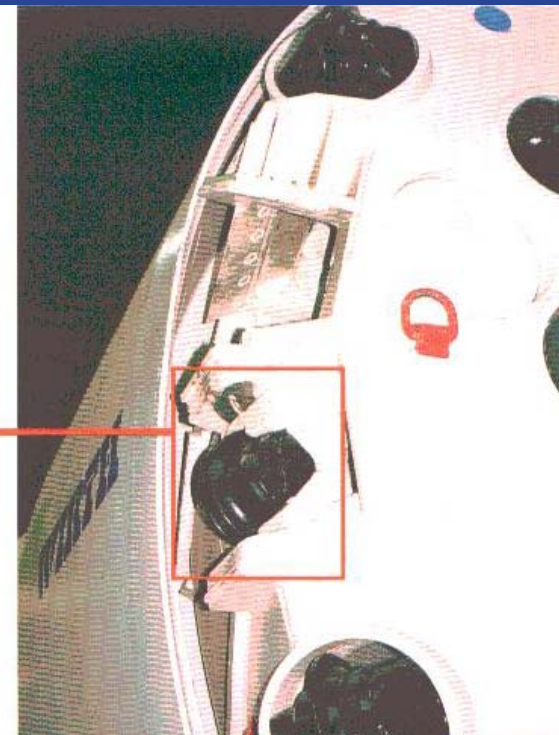
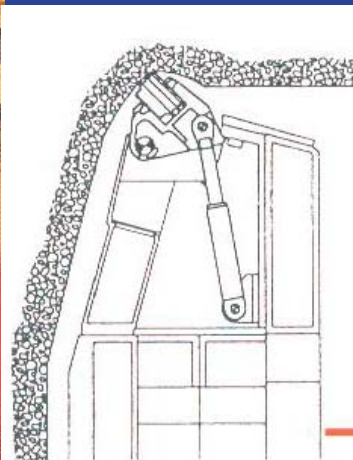


## Open TBMs – Innovations

**The innovations are effective when  
a multidisciplinary approach is activated**



**Hydraulically adjustable  
enlarging cutters make it  
possible to increase the bore  
diameter as and when required**



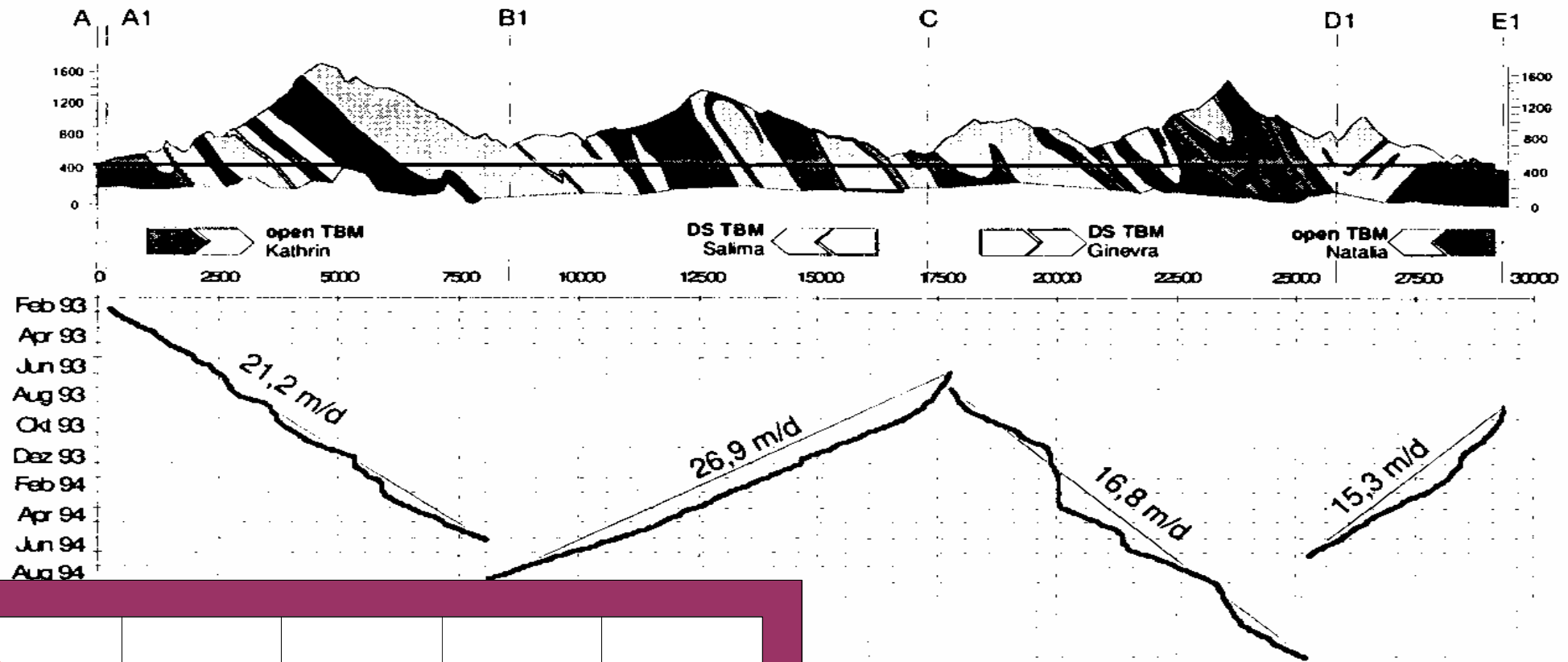


## Short double shield

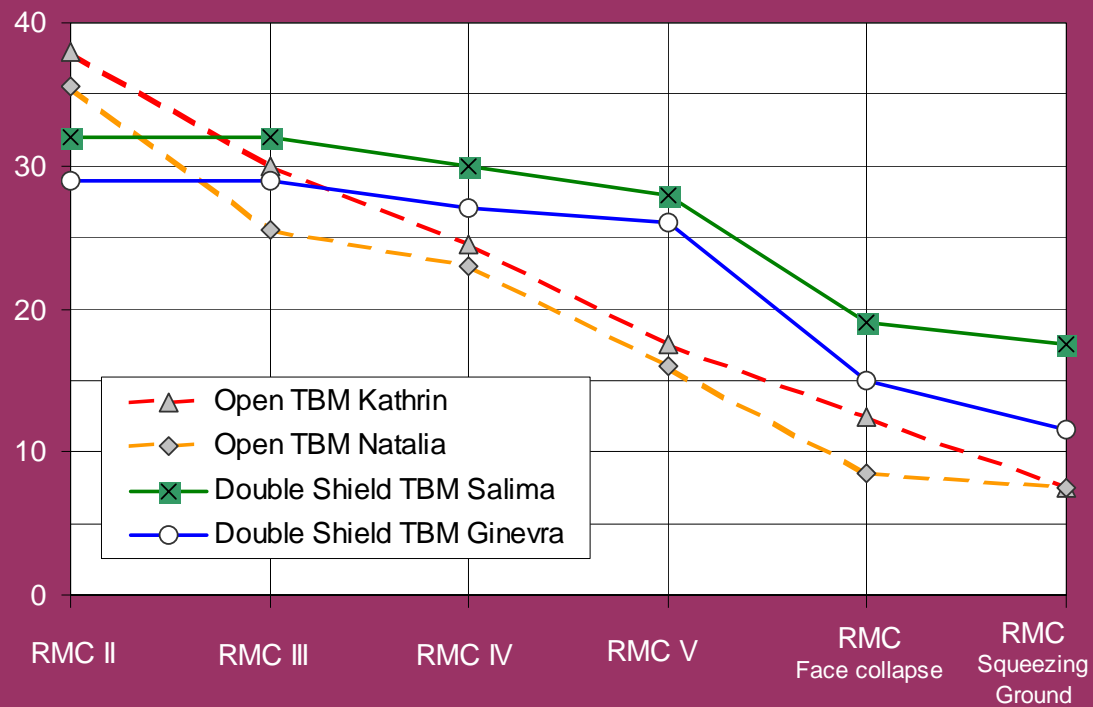




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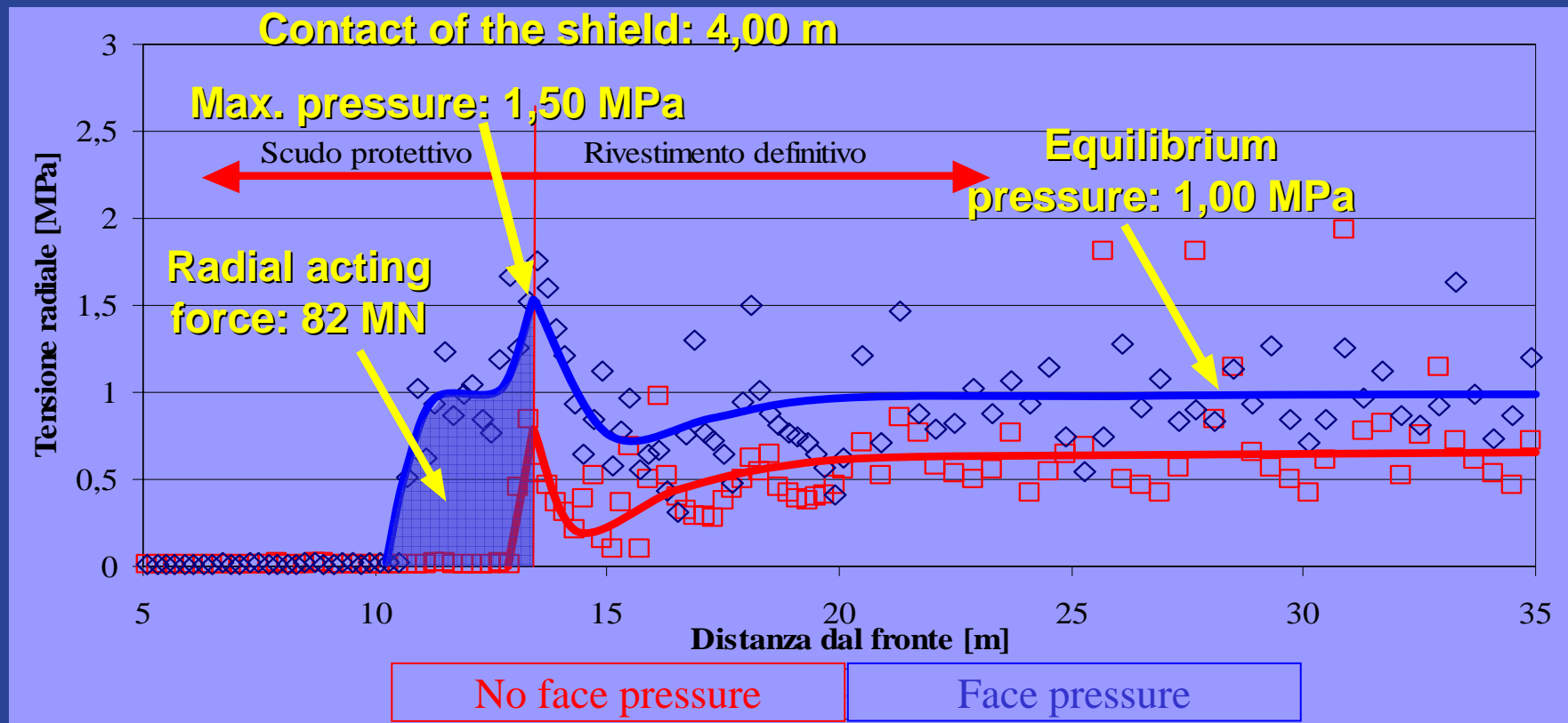
TBM's average daily advance rate [m/d]



Rock Mass Classification (RMC)

Evynos Tunnel – Greece

The model takes into account the pressure of the cutting head

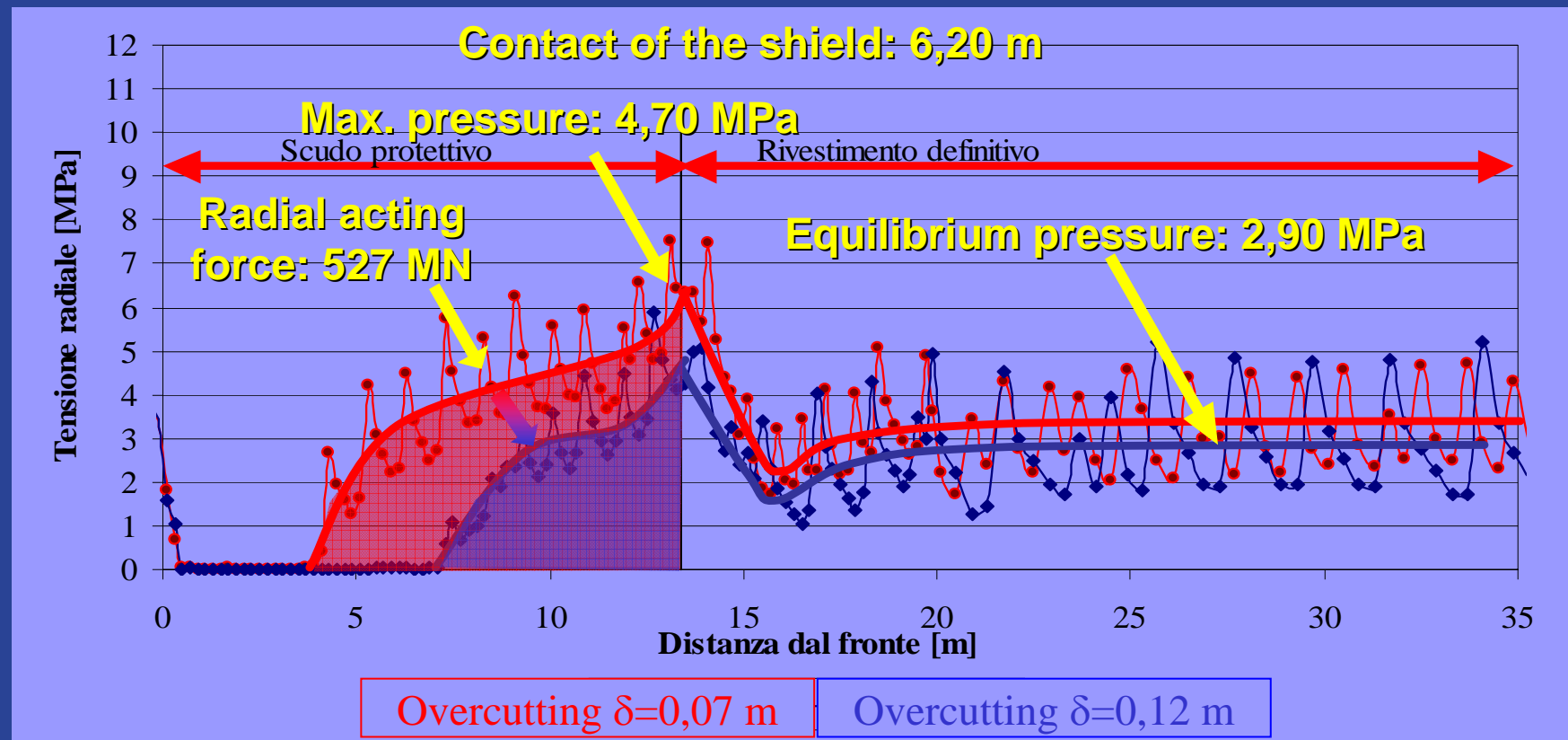




## Variation induced from considering the pressure of the face

	Non-considered pressure	Considered pressure
Contact of the shield	0,40 m	→ 4,00 m
Max. pressure acting on the shield	0,77 MPa	→ 1,50 MPa
Radial force acting on the shield	(5 MN)	→ 82 MN
Equilibrium pressure cavity – final lining	0,65 MPa	→ 1,00 MPa

## Modelling at greater depth: increase of the overcutting





## Variation induced by increasing the overcutting

	Depth $h=600$ m ocercutting $\delta=0,07$ m	Depth $h=600$ m overcutting $\delta=0,12$ m
Contact of the shield	9,40 m	→ 6,20 m
Max. pressure acting on the shield	6,30 MPa	→ 4,70 MPa
Radial force acting on the shield	1082 MN	→ 527 MN
Equilibrium pressure cavity – final lining	3,35 MPa	→ 2,90 MPa

# Double shield TBM with extended surface of the grippers

## GUADARRAMA TUNNEL

### Tunnel project:

Guadarrama, Spain · Railway tunnel

Tunnel length: 2 x 14,500m

Geology: granite, gneiss, fault zones

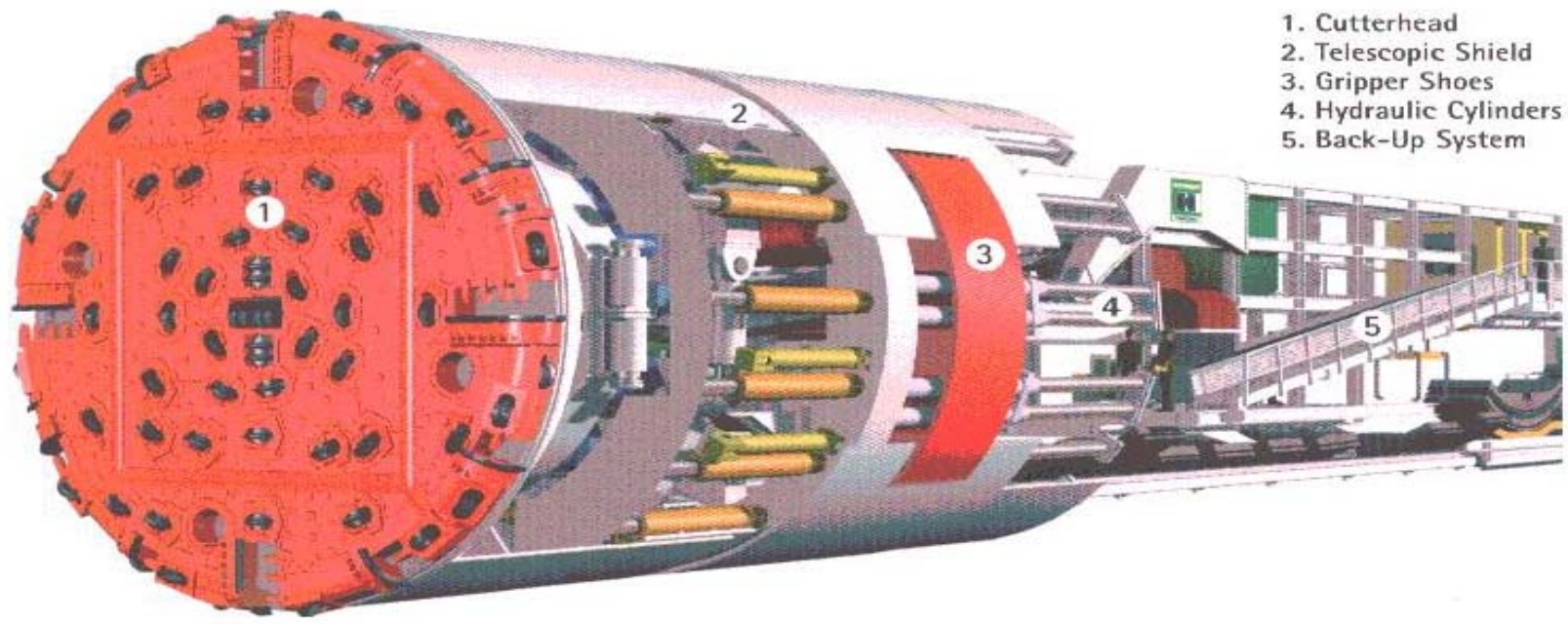
### Machine data:

2 x Hard Rock Double Shield TBM, Ø 9.51m,  
Cutterhead power 5,500kW, Weight 1,650t,  
Length 220m

### Contractor / JV:

S-201: FCC, ACS, Ferrovial

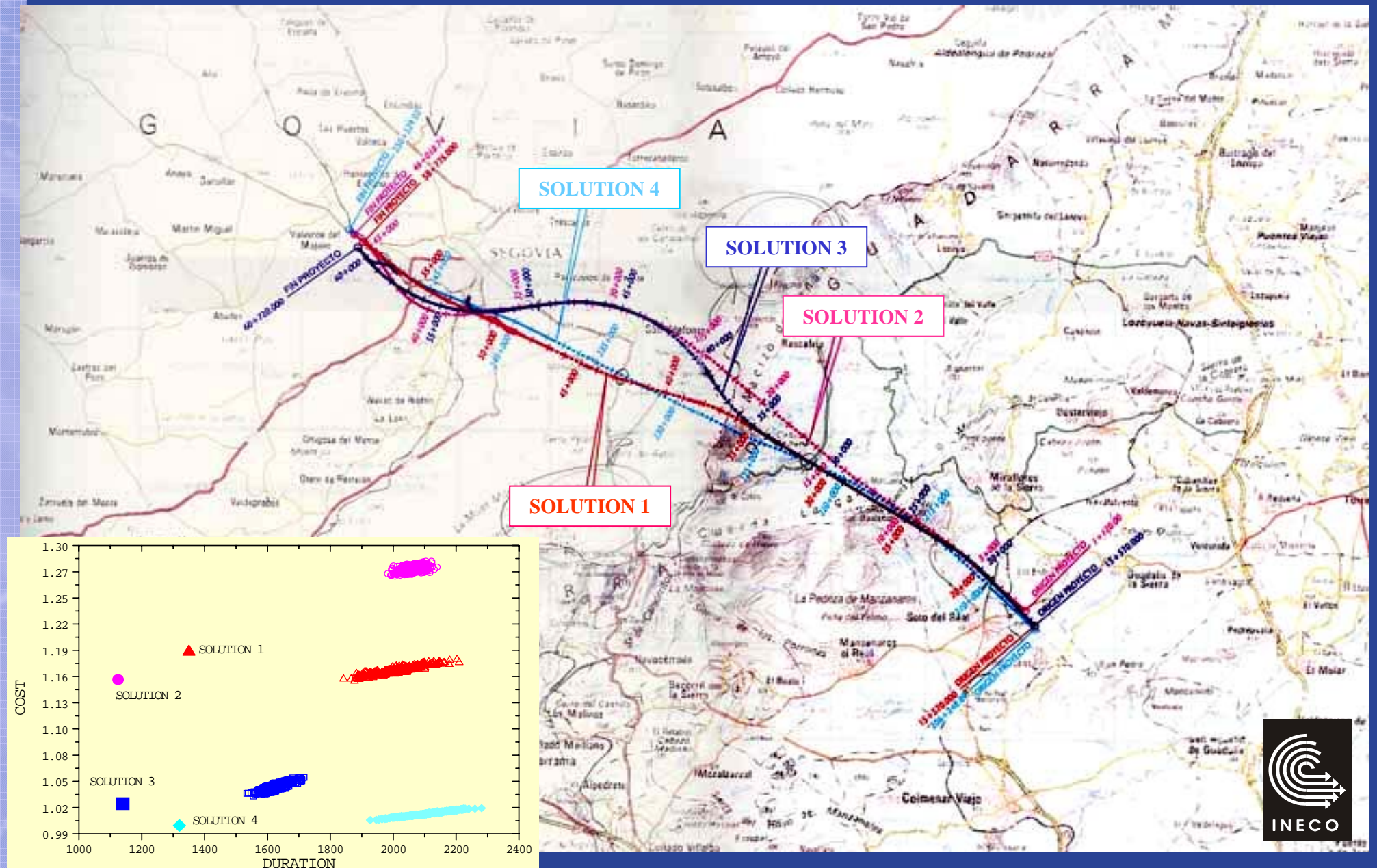
S-202: Comsa, Dragados, Necso, Ohi, Sacyr



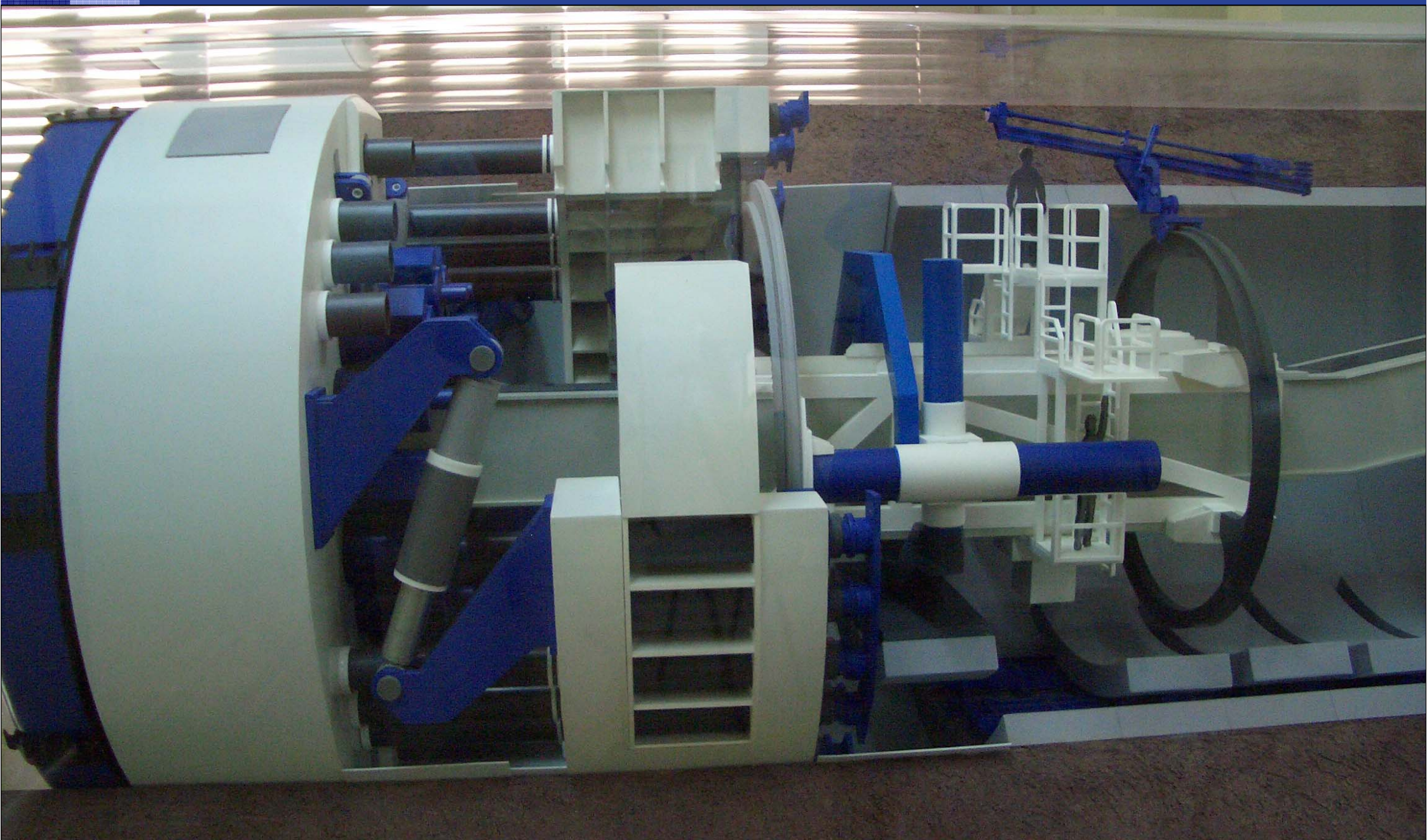
1. Cutterhead
2. Telescopic Shield
3. Gripper Shoes
4. Hydraulic Cylinders
5. Back-Up System



# High-speed railway Madrid-Segovia: Guadarrama Tunnel

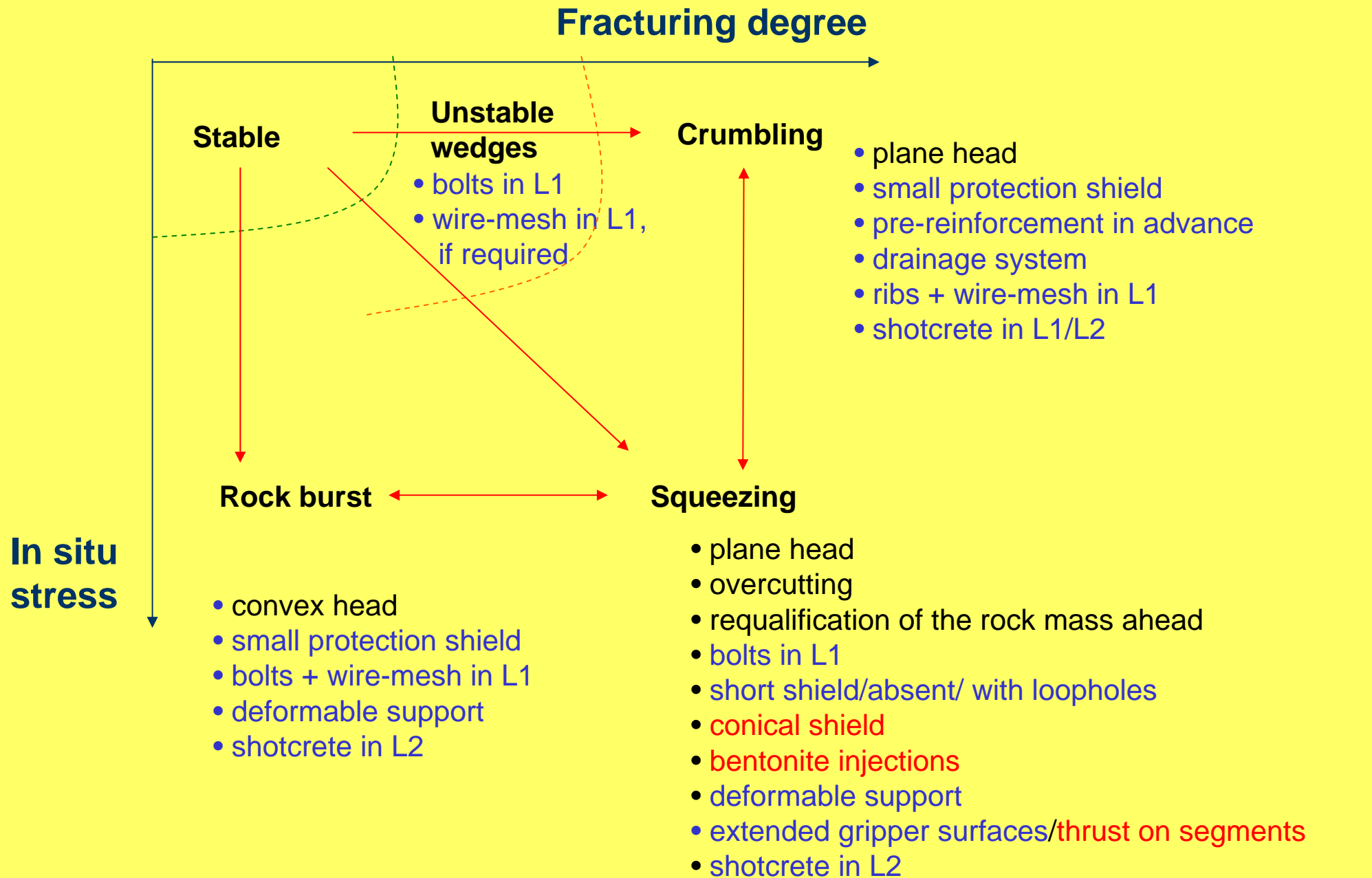








# Possible solutions



**Both the infrastructure market and the complexity of the new frontiers do offer huge opportunities for further developments in the field of tunnelling in rock, especially with reference to deep and long tunnels.**

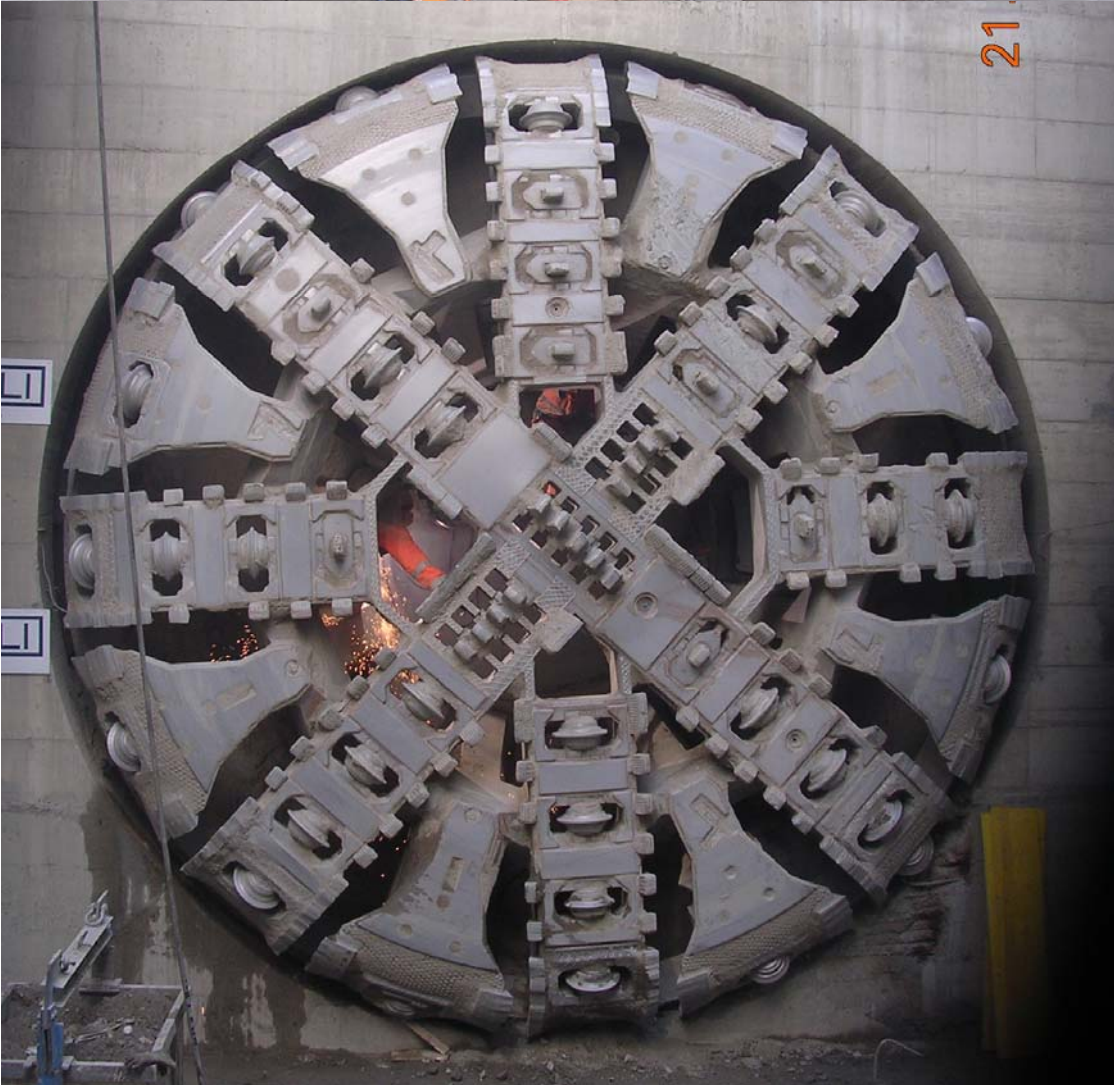
**As an example, the following point can be mentioned:**

- **improve the exploration ahead of the excavation face;**
- **manage excessive convergences;**
- **supply high counter-pressures to the tunnel face.**









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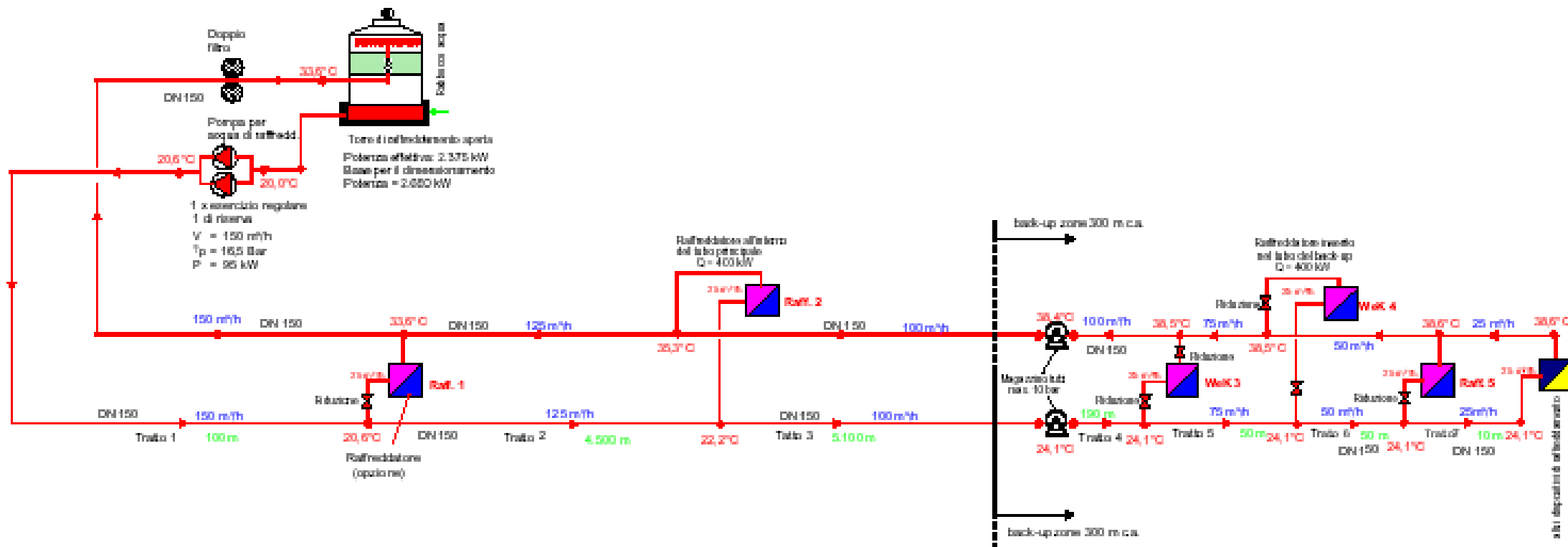
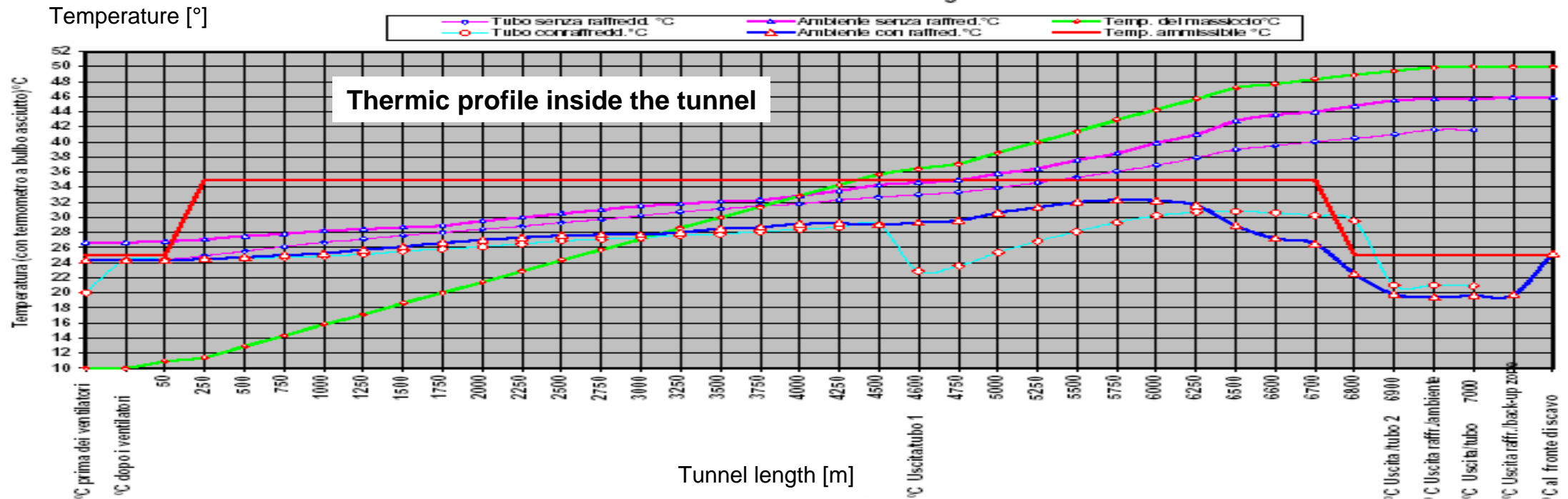








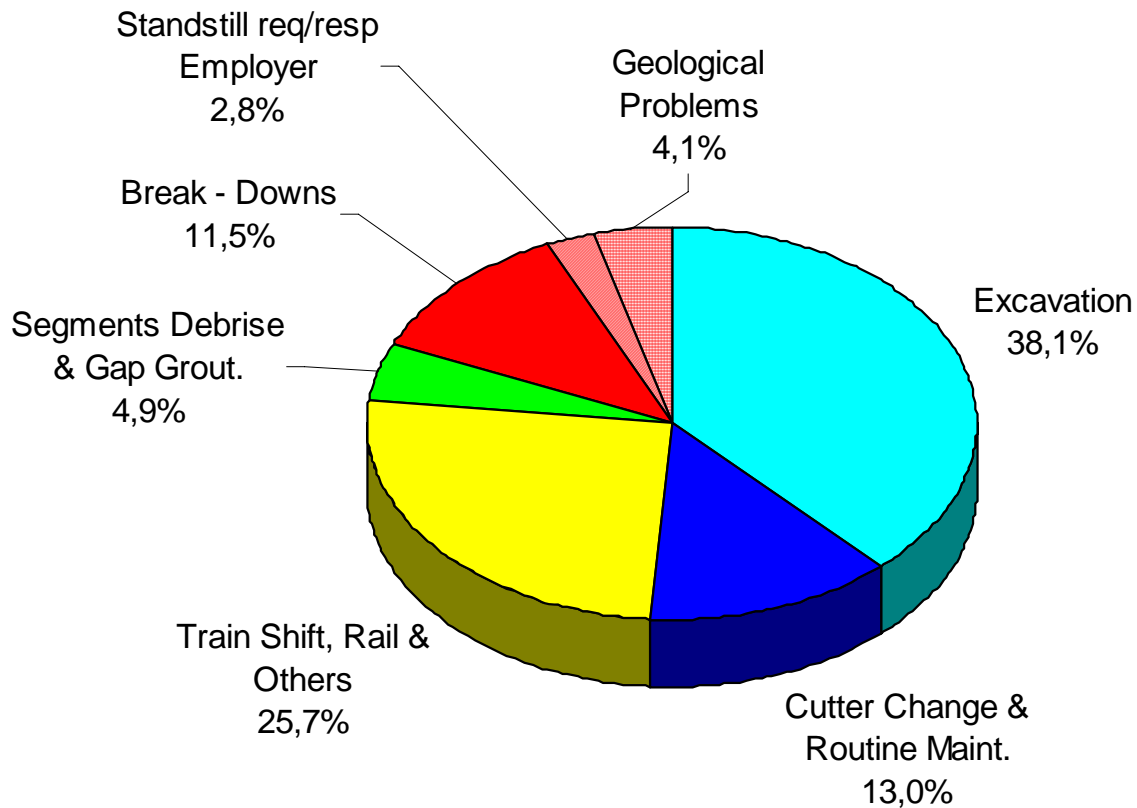


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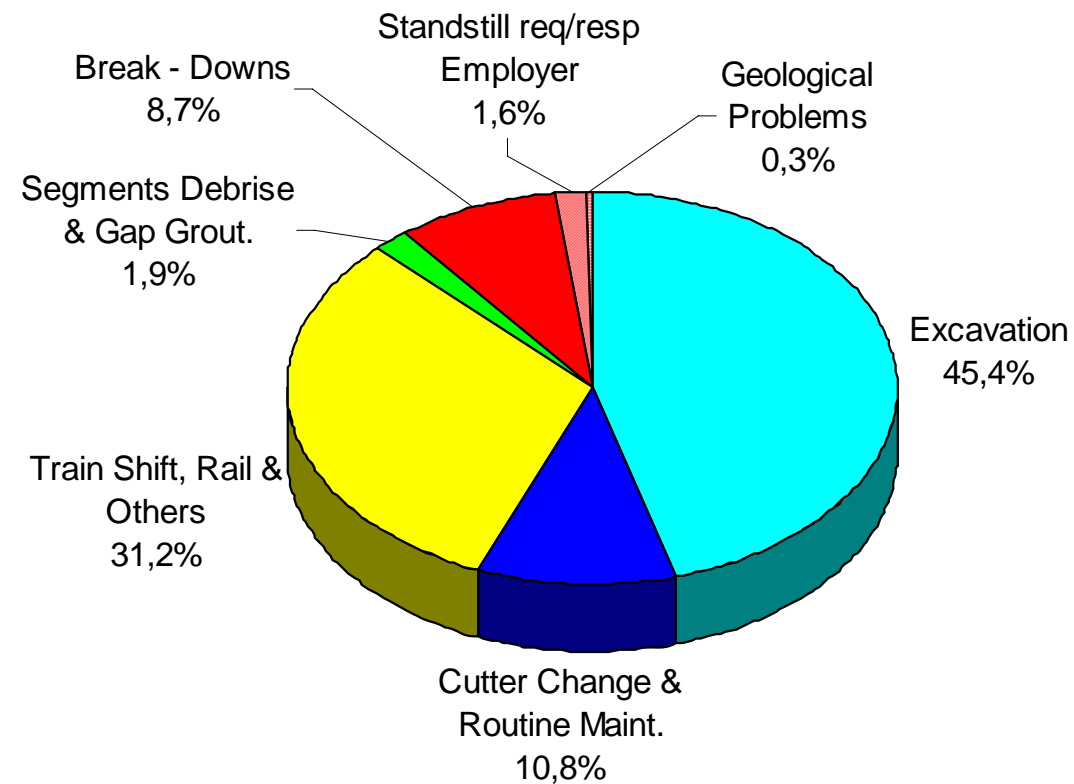


# The importance of the logistics and of the “auxiliary” equipments

**TBM A (T4+T5) - Expected**



**TBM A (T4+T5) - Actual**



**WANJIAZHAI - China**



# RMP: Risk quantification - Evaluation of alternatives with respect to management of unfavorable conditions

LÍNEA FFCC LEÓN-GIJÓN - VARIANTE DE PAJARES - TÚNEL DE BASE

Esquema constructivo y diagrama de ejecución (plazos probabilísticos)

Solución Alternativa 1 (Fig. 2)

GEODATA

## RESUMEN LITOLÓGICAS

Calizas y Dolomías:	20%
Pizarras, Lutitas y Limolitas:	40%
Areniscas y Conglomerados:	30%
Cuarzitas:	8%
Margas:	2%

## LEYENDA

Cond. favorables
Cond. medias
Cond. desfavorables

## VELOCIDADES DE AVANCE

TBM en roca buena/media:	10.0-20.0m/día
TBM en roca mala:	5.0-10.0m/día
TBM en sentido descend.:	5.0-15.0m/día
CONV en roca buena:	5.0-6.0m/día
CONV en roca media:	2.5-3.0m/día
CONV en roca mala:	1.5-2.0m/día
POZO en cualquier roca:	2.0-2.5m/día
GALERIA en cualquier roca:	6.0-7.0m/día

## TRABAJOS PRELIMINARES

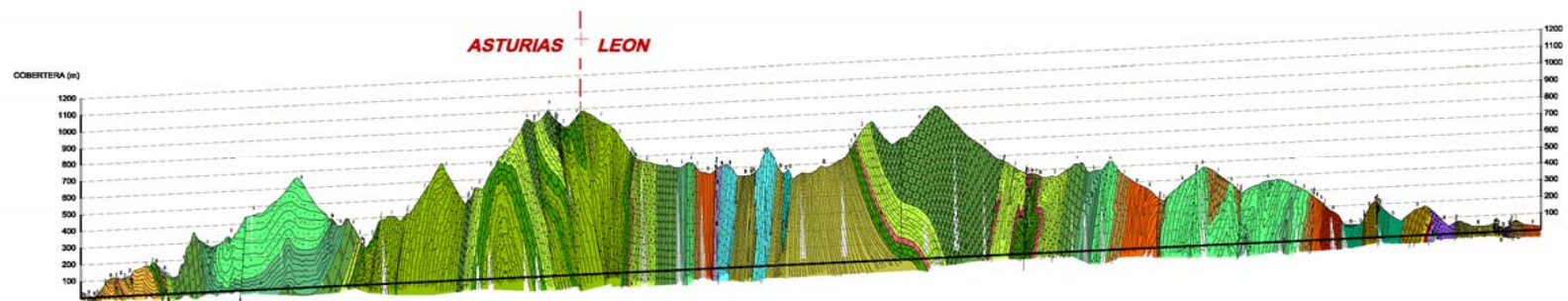
Instalaciones y boquilla pozo/túnel:	6 meses
Instalaciones y boquilla galería:	3 meses
Montaje TBM en pozo o galería:	6 meses
Orden, construcción y montaje TBM:	12 meses

## DÍAS DE TRABAJO

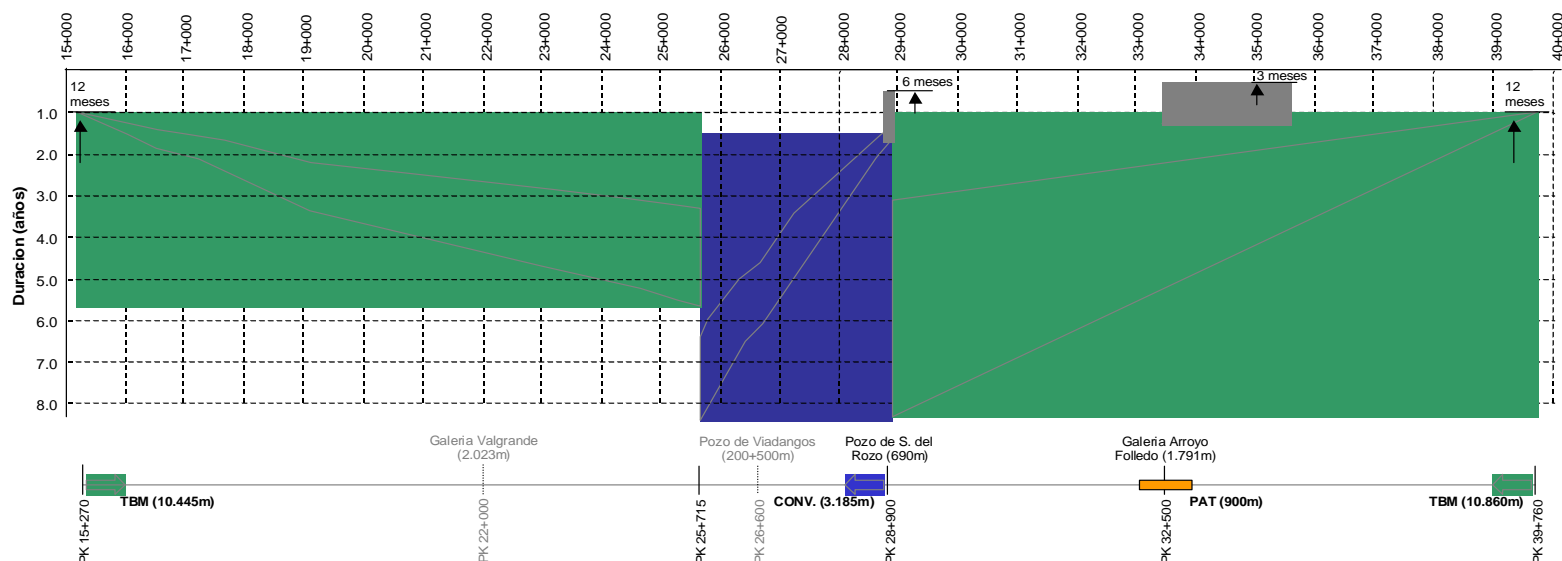
24 días/mes

## NOTAS

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CALIDAD TERRENO	Cond. favorables	Cond. medias	Cond. medias	Cond. medias	Cond. medias
TASA DE CONVERGENCIA	Cond. favorables	Cond. medias	Cond. medias	Cond. medias	Cond. medias
PRESENCIA DE AGUA	Cond. favorables	Cond. medias	Cond. medias	Cond. medias	Cond. medias
PRESENCIA DE GAS	Cond. favorables	Cond. medias	Cond. medias	Cond. medias	Cond. medias





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Esquema constructivo y diagrama de ejecución (plazos probabilísticos)

Solución base del Estudio Informativo (Fig. 1)

GEODATA

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## TRABAJOS PRELIMINARES

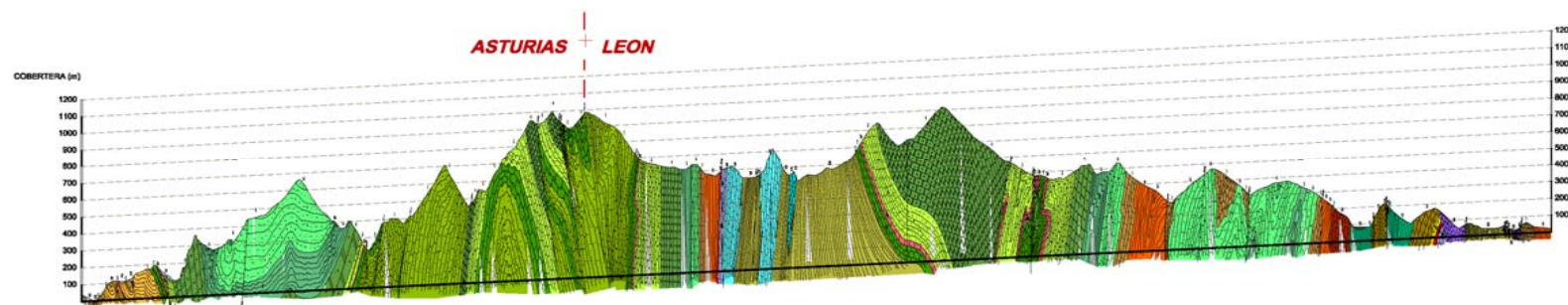
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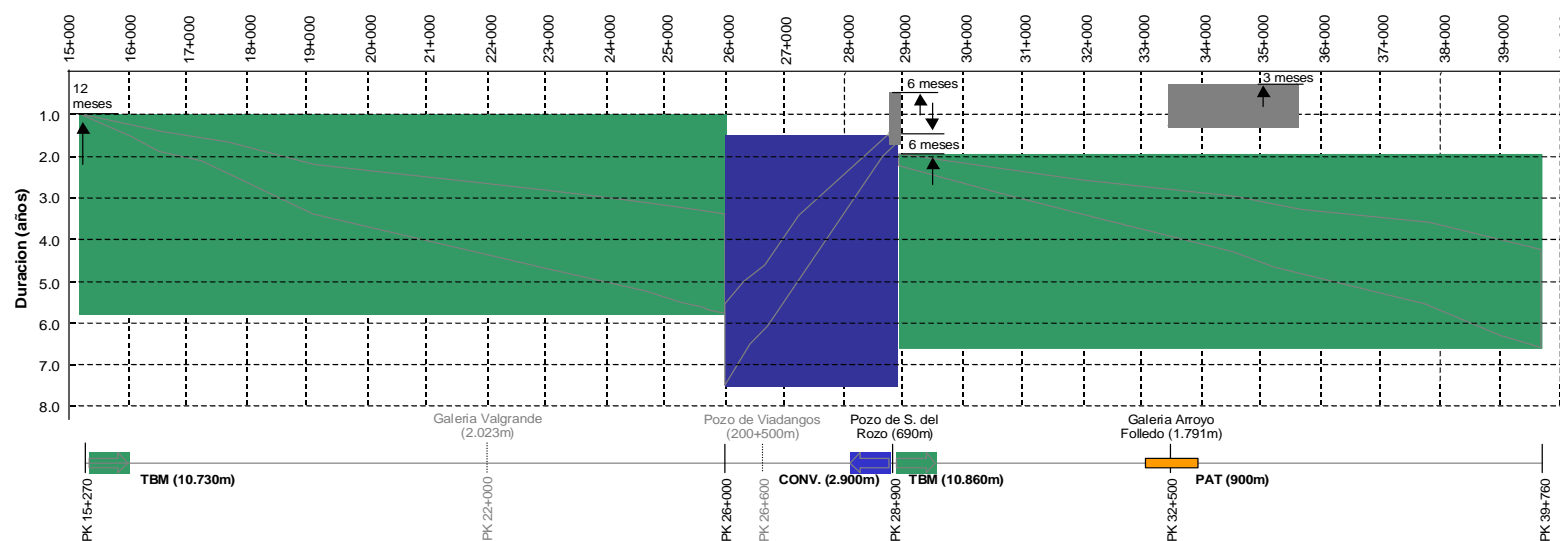
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Esquema constructivo y diagrama de ejecución (plazos probabilísticos)

Solución Alternativa 2 (Fig. 3)

GEODATA

## RESUMEN LITOLÓGICAS

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## VELOCIDADES DE AVANCE

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## TRABAJOS PRELIMINARES

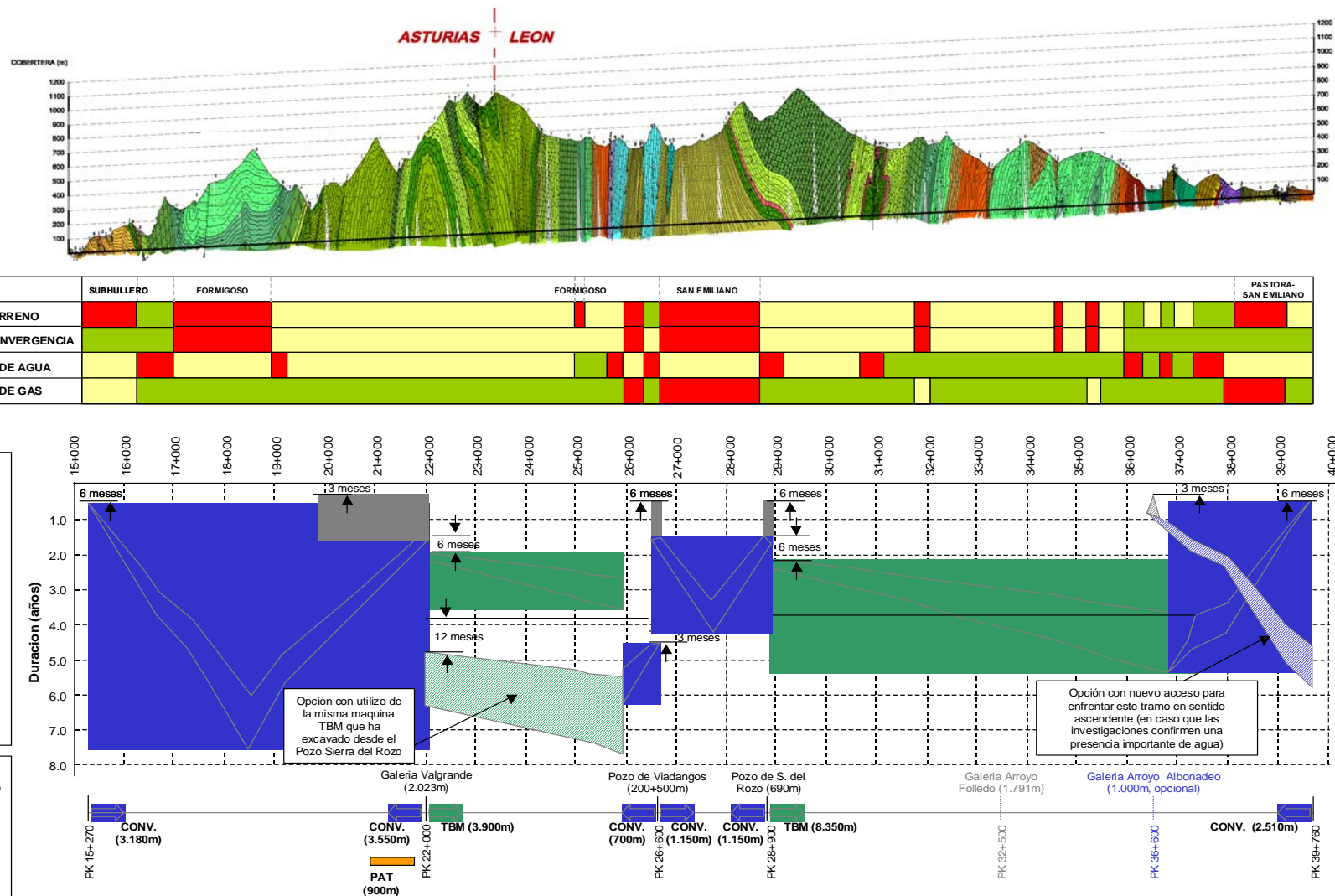
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## DÍAS DE TRABAJO

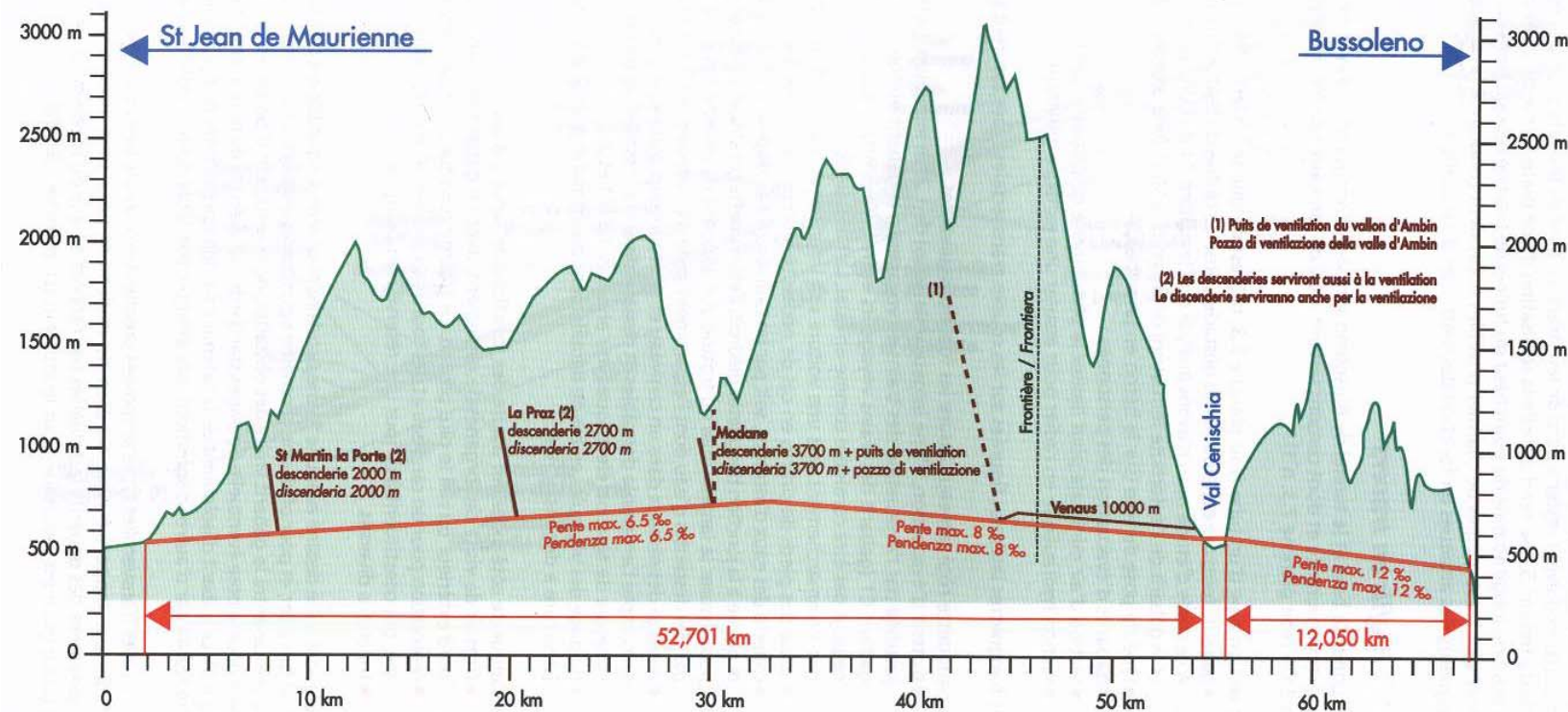
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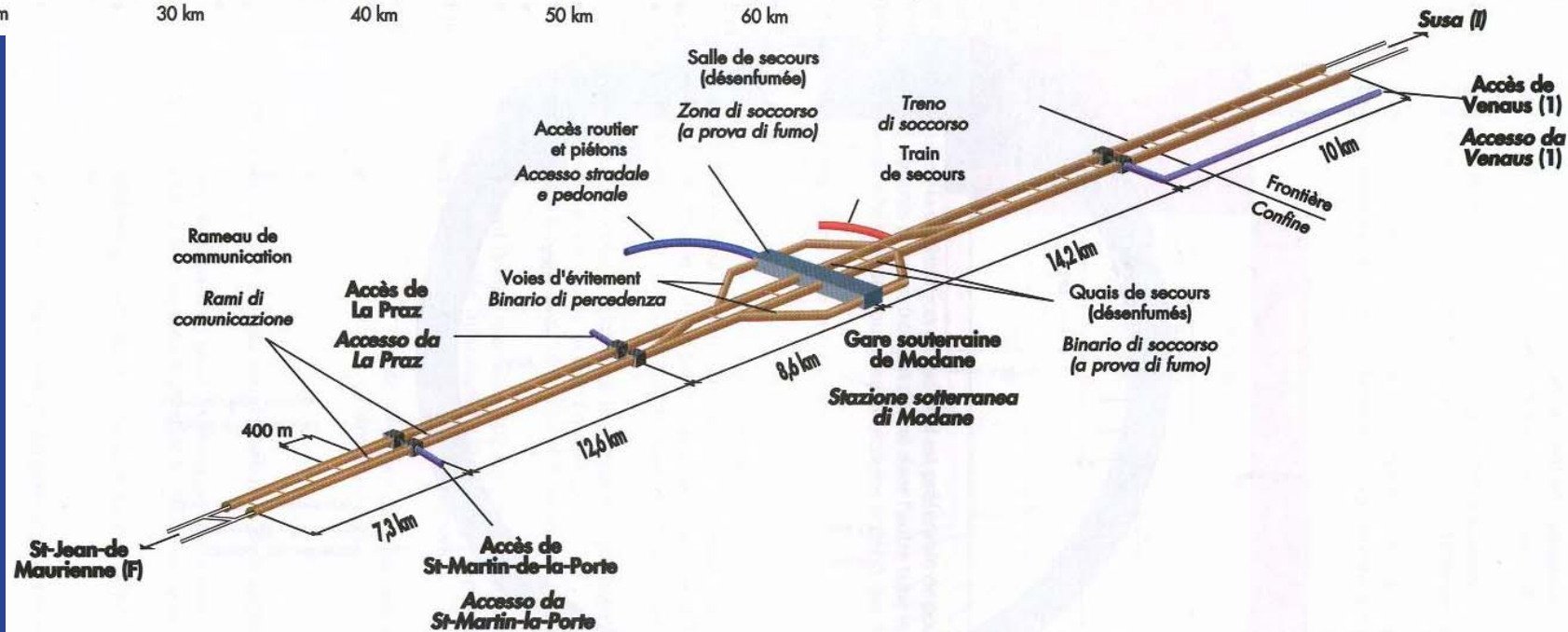
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# Lyon – Turin Base Tunnel: Schematic profile



Source: CIG -  
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12/2000

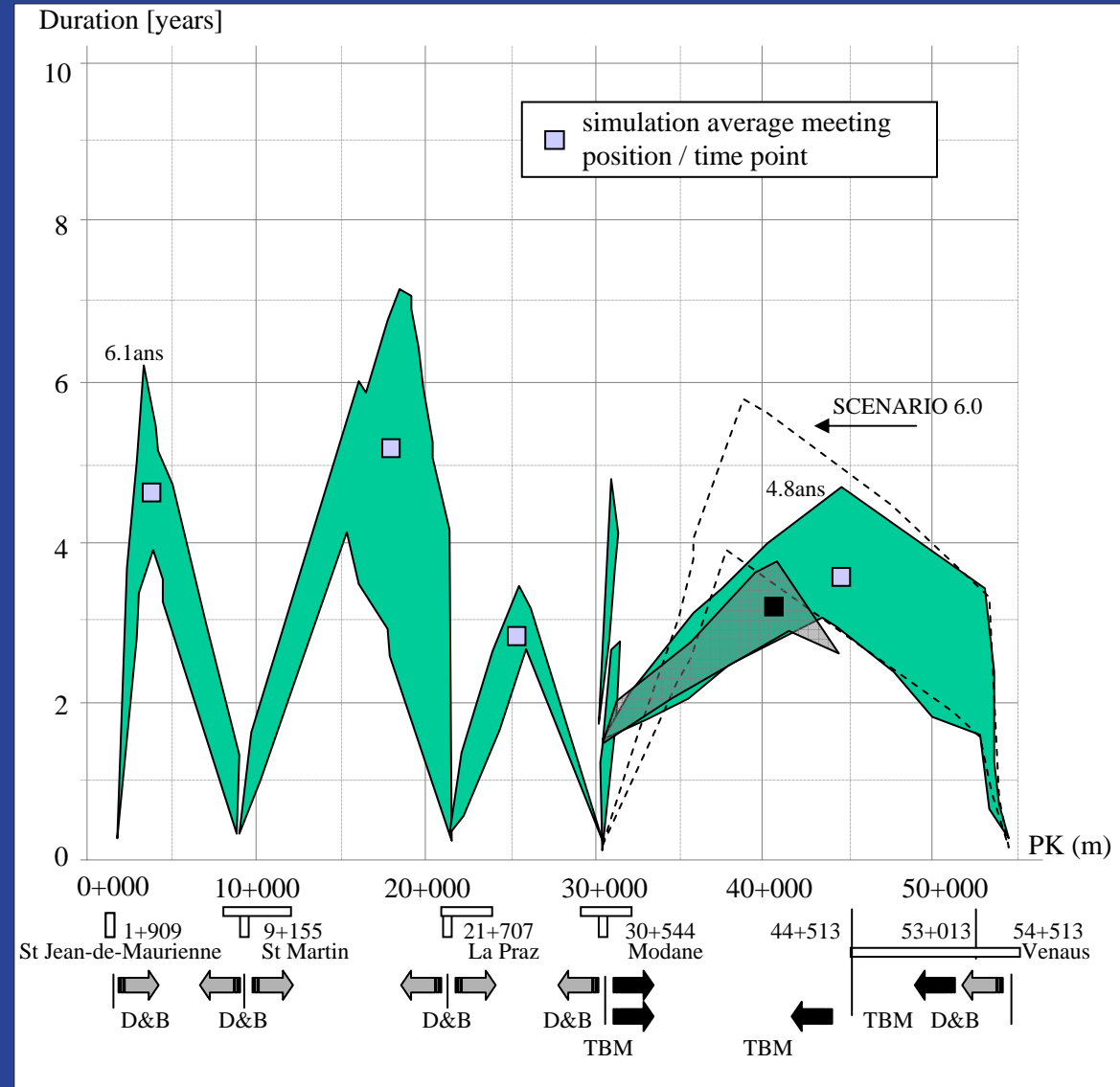
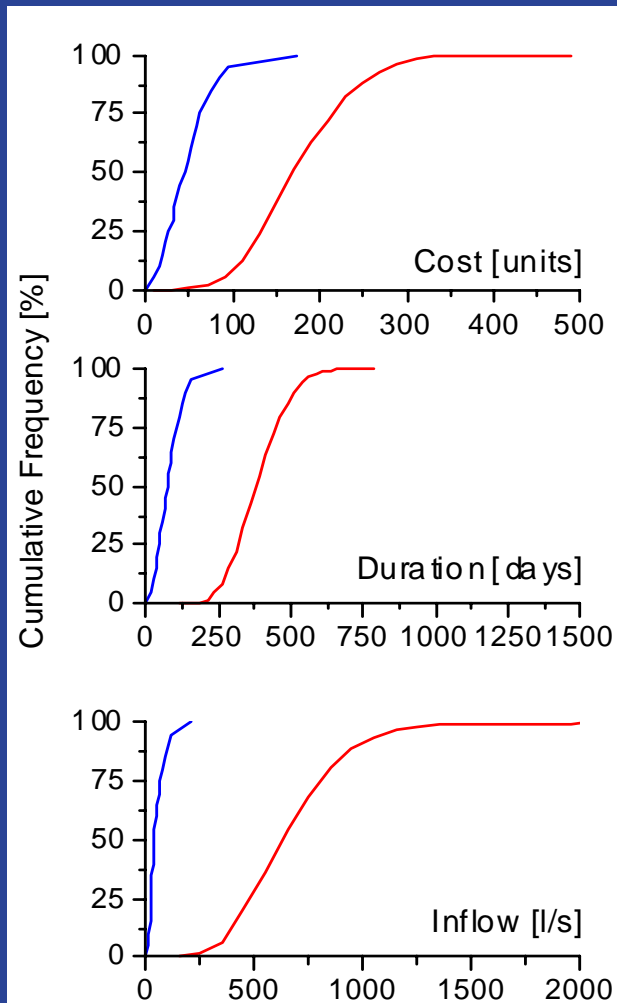




# RMP: Risk quantification - Evaluation of alternatives with respect to management of unfavorable conditions

## High-capacity 52km-long railway link

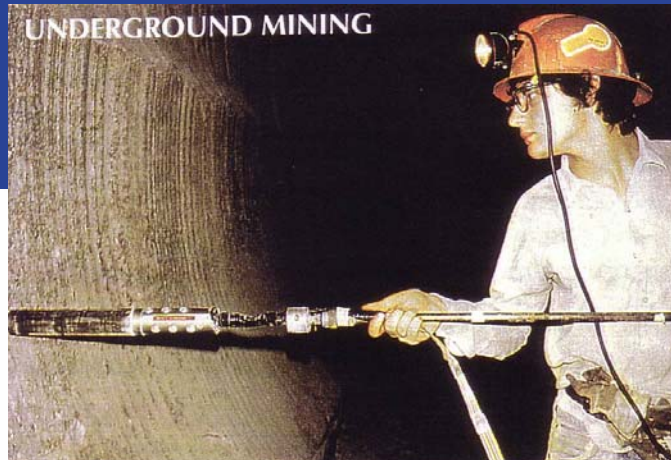
### Distribution of additional cost, duration, and inflow due to unforeseen geologic conditions



Source: B & G - GEODATA, 11/2000

# SERATA STRESS TECHNOLOGY (SST)

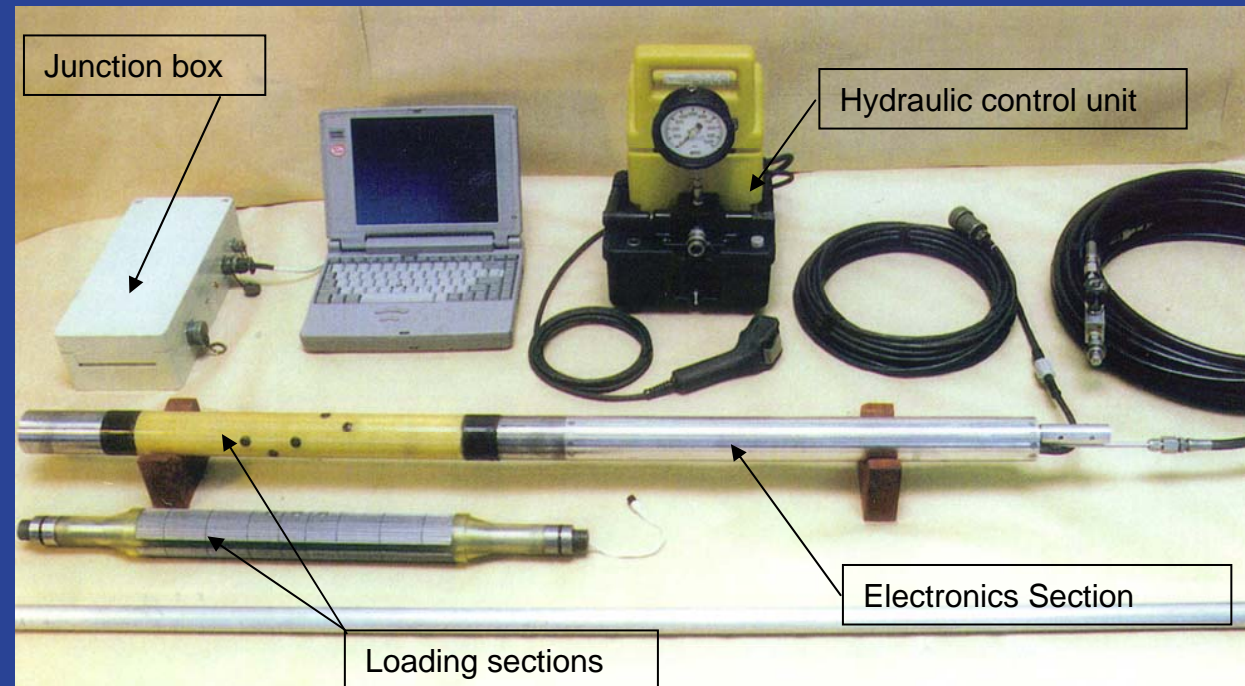
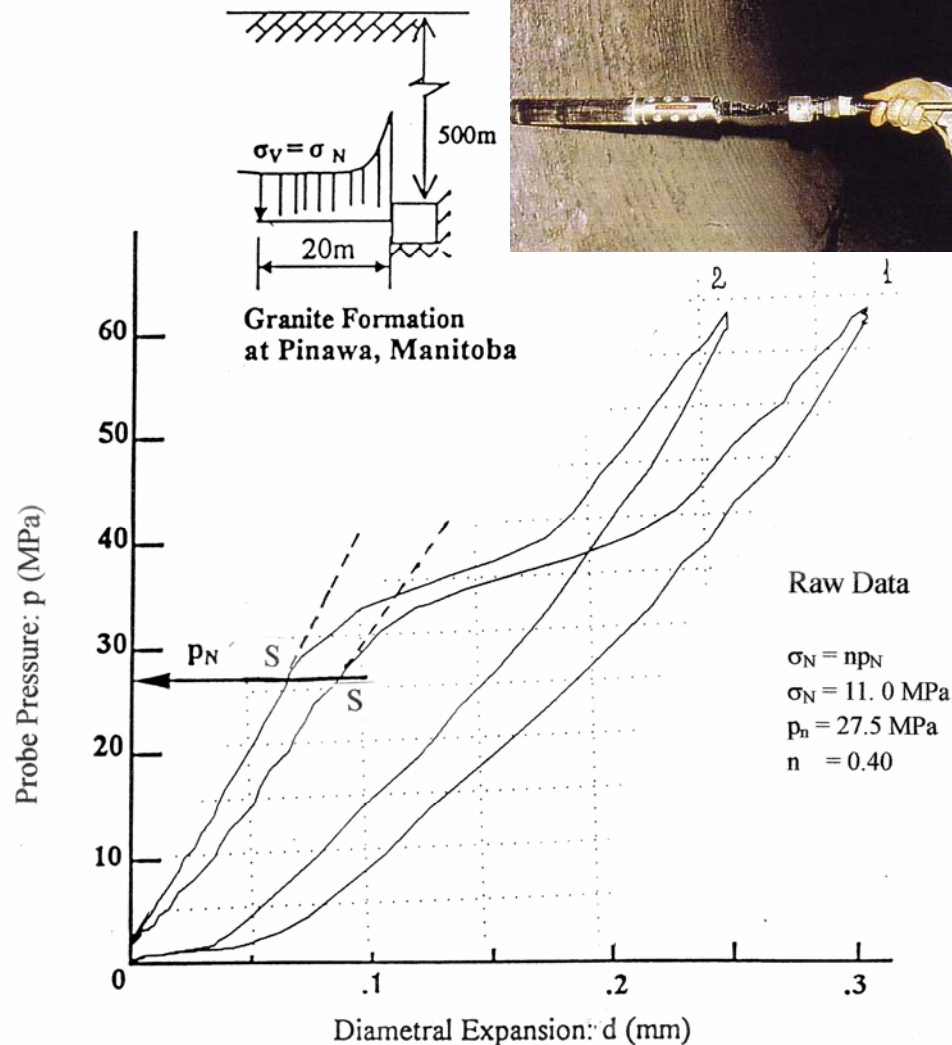
Underground Research Laboratory  
(URL) of Canada Atomic Energy



Allows to determine the initial stress and the elasticity characteristics of the material (key parameters for deep tunnels and for mechanized tunneling) with a unique test.

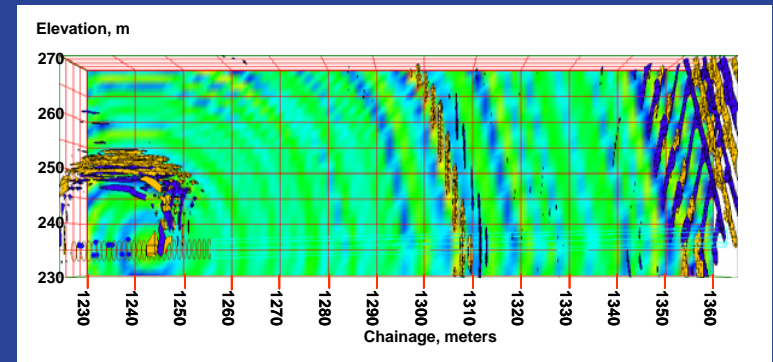
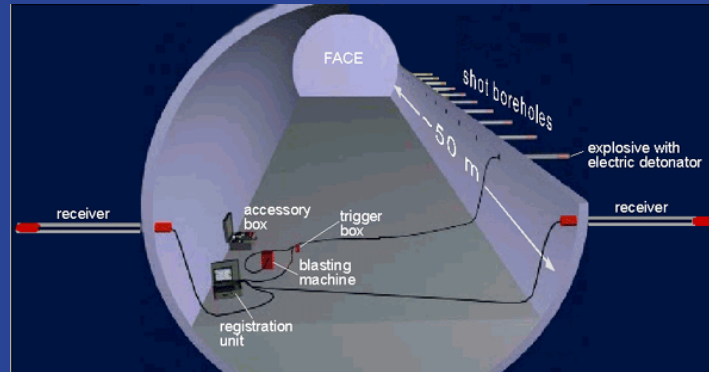
Testing is quick and induces limited interference with the tunneling operations.

Limited execution time (15-20 min. / test)





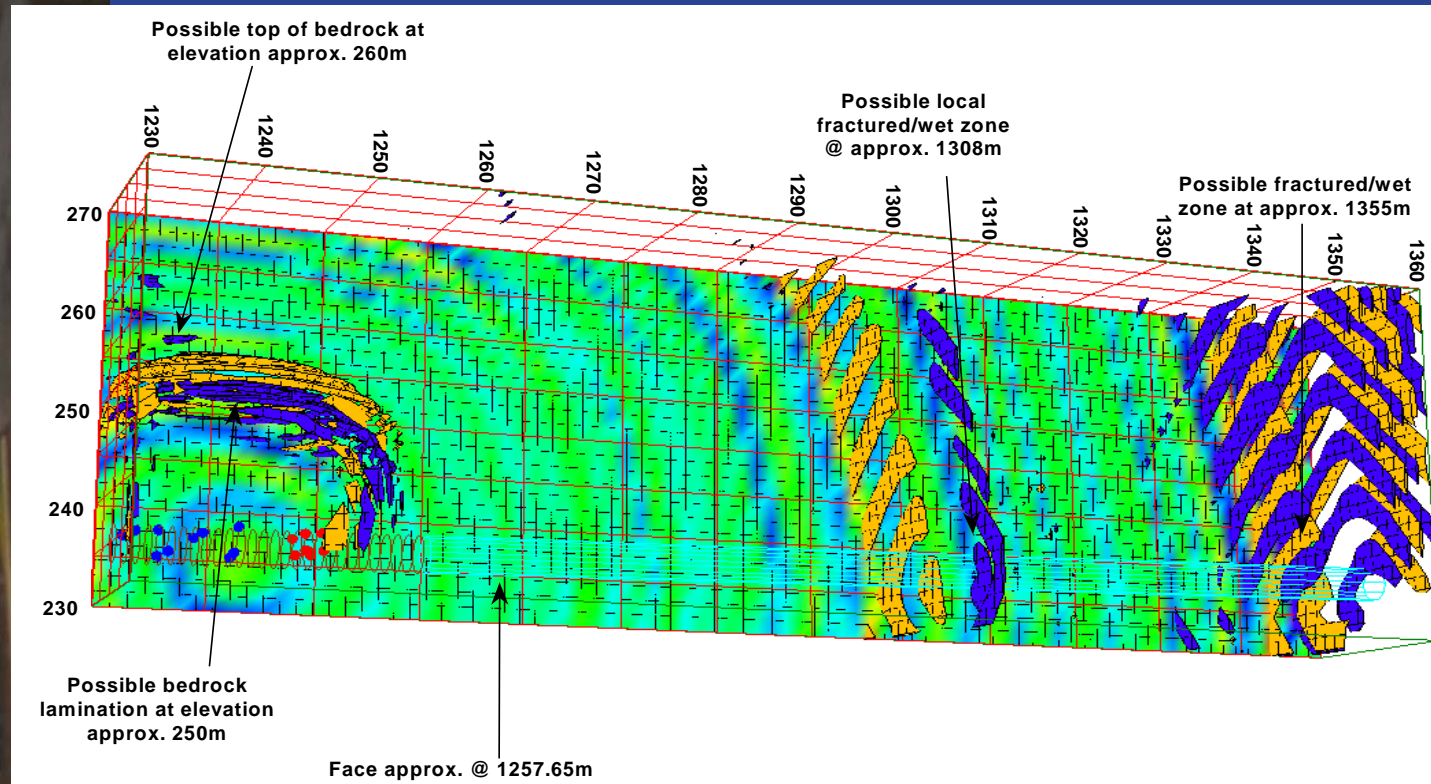
# Exploration ahead of the tunnel face: TSP e TRT



	<b>TSP (Amberg) Tunnel Seismic Prediction</b>	<b>TRT (NSA) Tunnel Reflection Tomography</b>
<b>Energy source</b>	Explosive	Magnetic restrictive System (Etrema) Explosive, sledge hammer
<b>Test duration</b>	3 hours <u>plus</u> time for the boring 26 holes	4 to 5 hours
<b>Test depth</b>	100 to 200m Limited depth in case of TBM excavation	50 to 150m in whatever excavation and site conditions
<b>Results</b>	One-dimensional profile of the elastic characteristics of the rocks. Delimitation and characteristics of the main reflectors (position, dip and strike angle)	Tomographical image with 2D and 3D of the reflection coefficient

# Exploration ahead of the tunnel face - TRT

## TRT – 3D results



The *TRT* test provides **great versatility** since more than one type of **energy source** can be used: **explosive charges** (deep level of investigation and signals with quite high frequency); **mechanical methods** (impact masses); new **electro-mechanical methods** (very low impact on site activities whilst giving a good level of penetration and high frequency signals).

**TRT - Supply of energy inside the TBM**

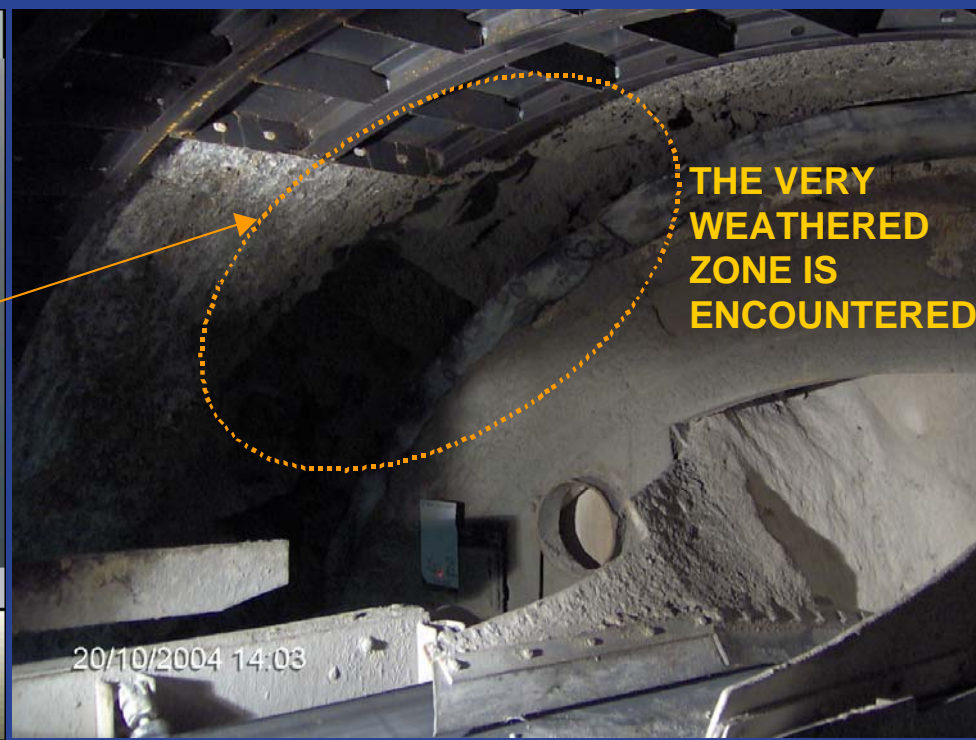
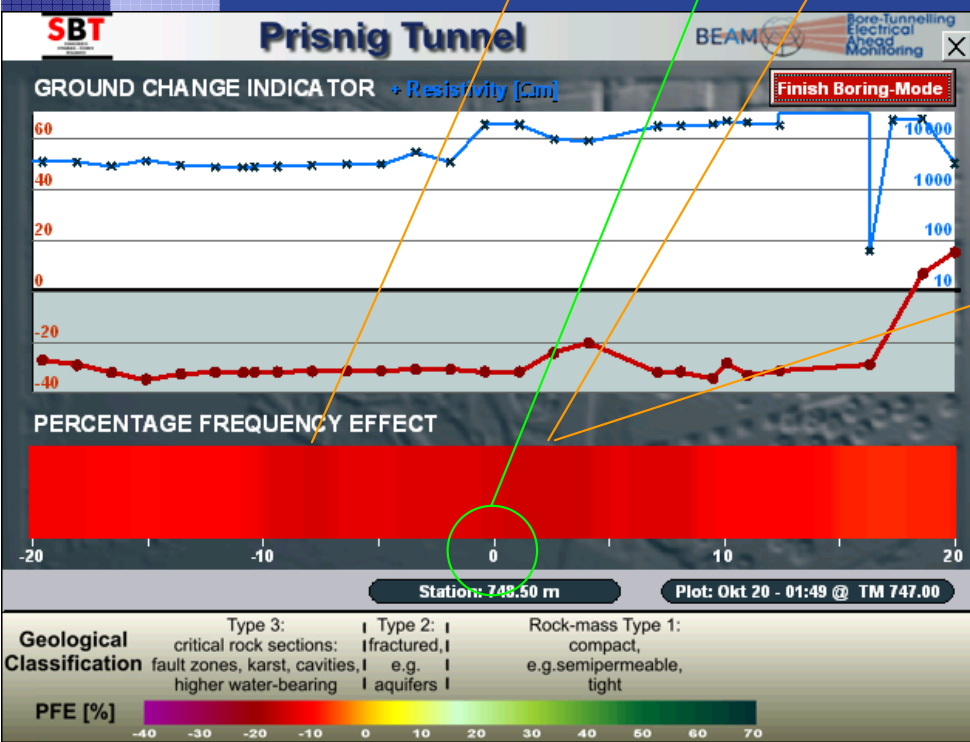
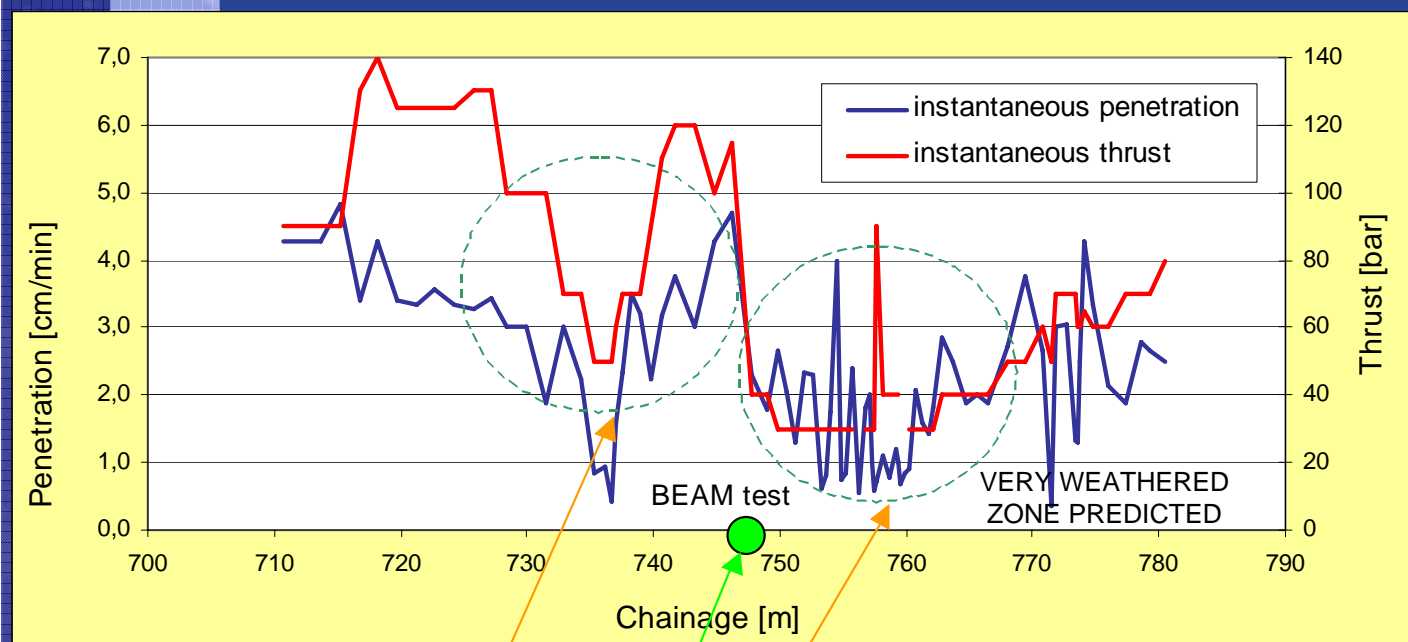


# Exploration with Bore-tunnelling Electrical Ahead Monitoring - BEAM

BEAM is a focused-electrical frequency domain induced polarization method to explore fore-field and perimeter ground while TBM drives.

It allows the early detection and location of rock changes due to continuous automatic measurement of electrical parameters.

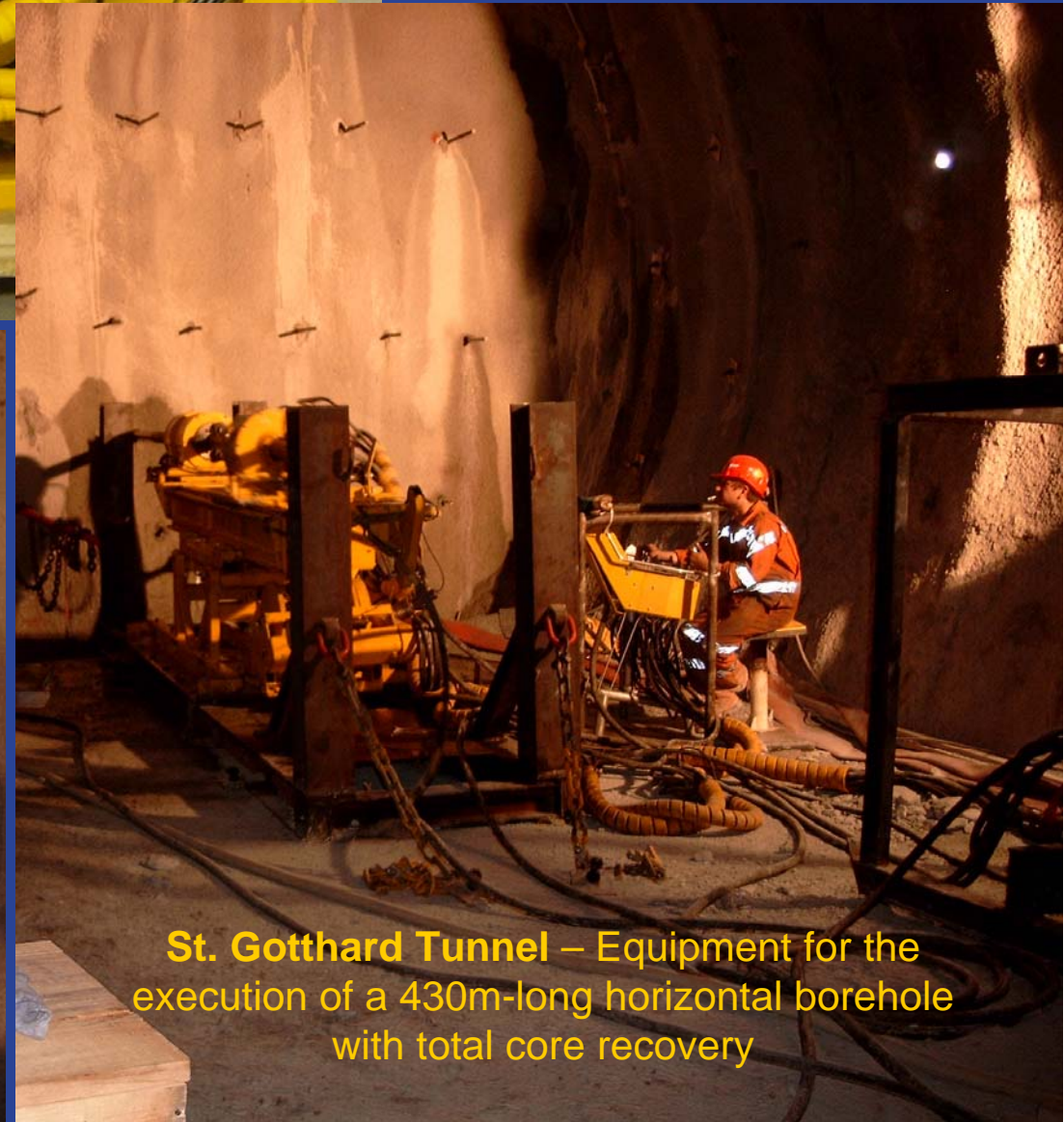
The monitoring current beam is forced to penetrate the ground ahead of the face up to a distance of several times the tunnel diameter







**DIAMEC drilling device**







**St. Gotthard Tunnel – Equipment for the execution of a 430m-long horizontal borehole with total core recovery**



# Beilage Vorauserkundungsrapport Kernbohrung EST SW Nr. 9: Erkundung Urseren-Garvera-Zone Stand 04.11.2004

## Legende Geologische Aufnahme: Bandaufzeichnung

-  Gneise
-  Schiefergneise
-  Schiefer
-  Serpentin

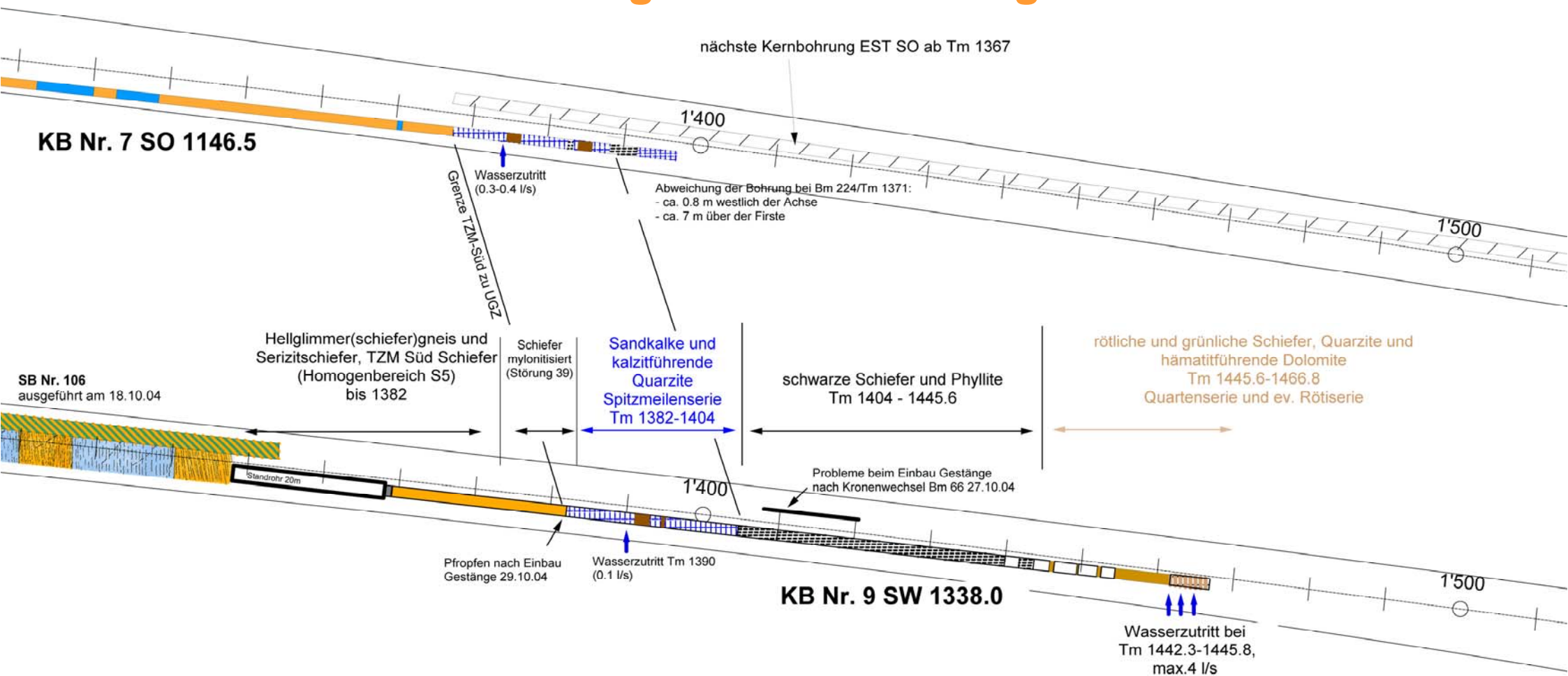
## Legende Aufnahme Bohrungen im TSM Süd

-  Gneise
-  Schiefergneise
-  Schiefer
-  Kernverlust

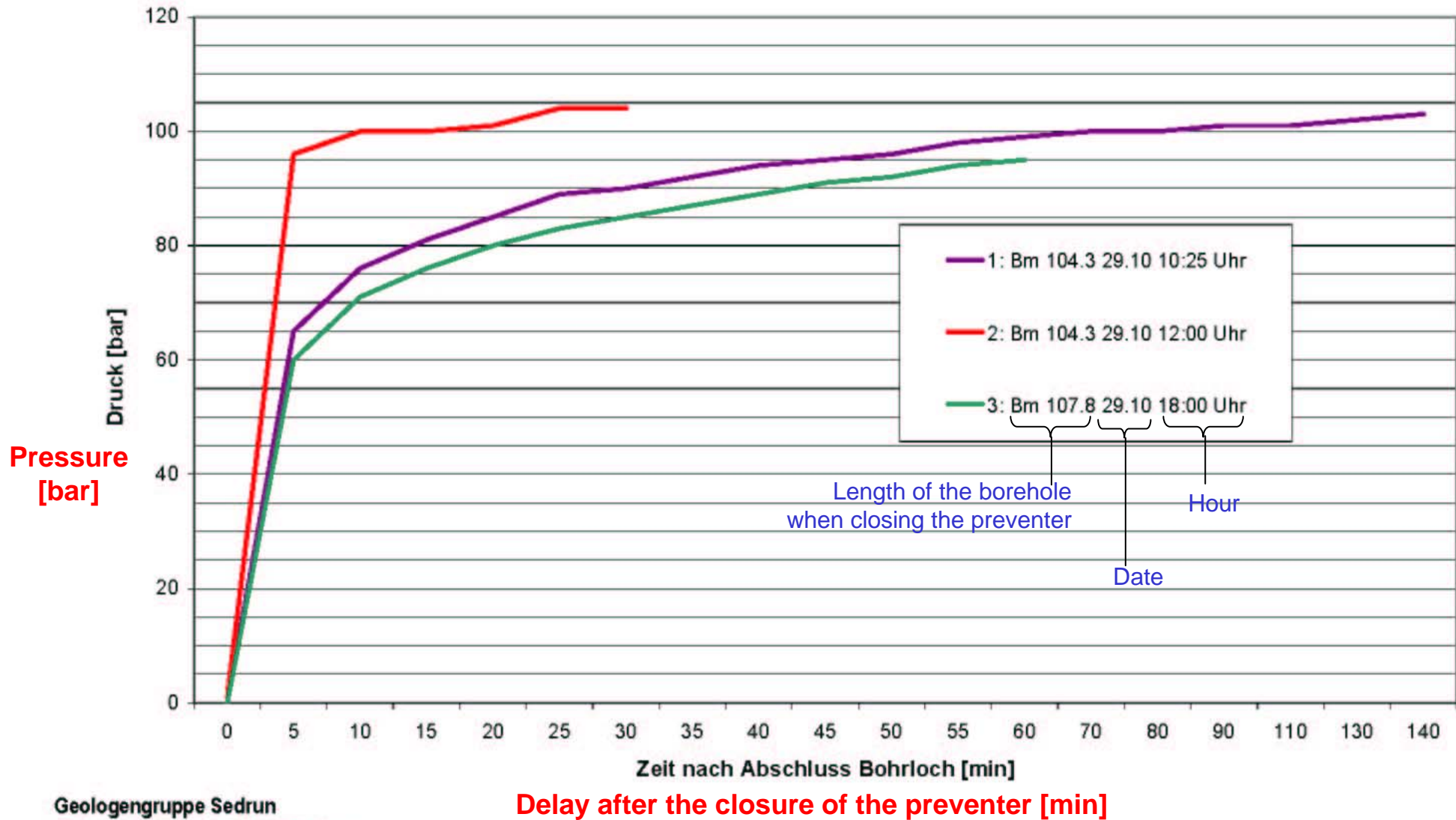
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| <b>Spitzmeilenserie</b>  | <b>Prodkammserie</b>   | <b>Quartenserie</b>   |
|  Sandkalk     |  schwarze Schiefer, z.T. Kalkschiefer |  quarzreiche, dolomitische Schiefer, grünlich, rötlich |
|  Kalkschiefer |  |  hämatitführende Dolomite                              |
|  Quarzit      |  |   |

## Long horizontal drilling at St.Gotthard Tunnel



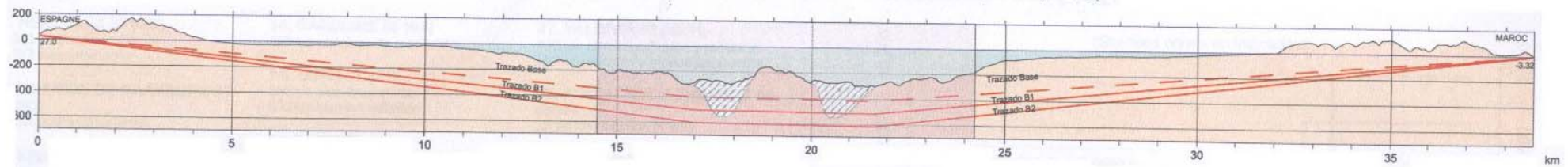
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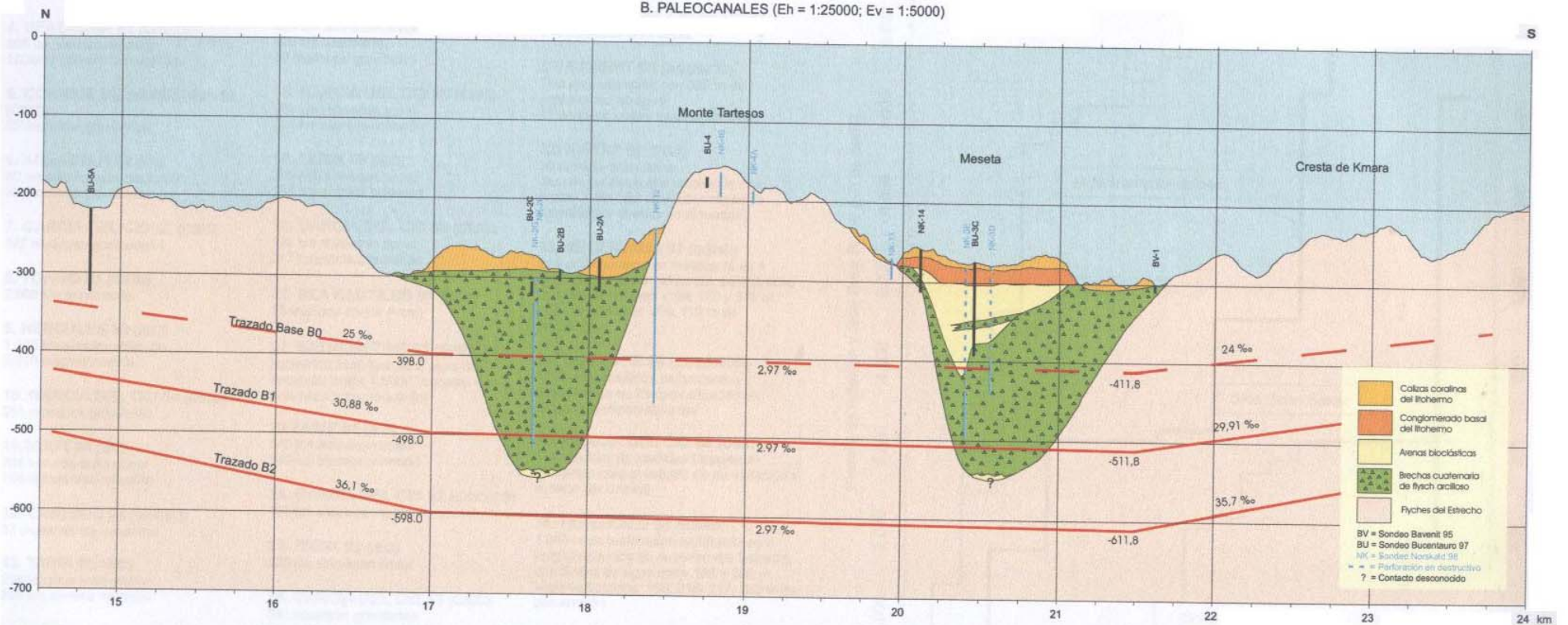


# Gibraltar Strait Crossing

A. PERFIL BASICO Y VARIANTES PROFUNDAS  
Trazo Base ( $z \approx -400$  m;  $i = 25\text{‰}$ ) ● Trazado B1 ( $z \approx -500$  m;  $i = 30\text{‰}$ ) ● Trazado B2 ( $z \approx -600$  m;  $i = 35\text{‰}$ )



B. PALEOCANALES (Eh = 1:25000; Ev = 1:5000)



C. PALEOCANALES (Eh = 1:25000; Ev = 1:25000)

