

Drone potentiale ved drift og vedligehold af store brokonstruktioner, samt anvendelse af kunstig intelligens til skadesregistrering

Storebælt
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The Storebælt Link

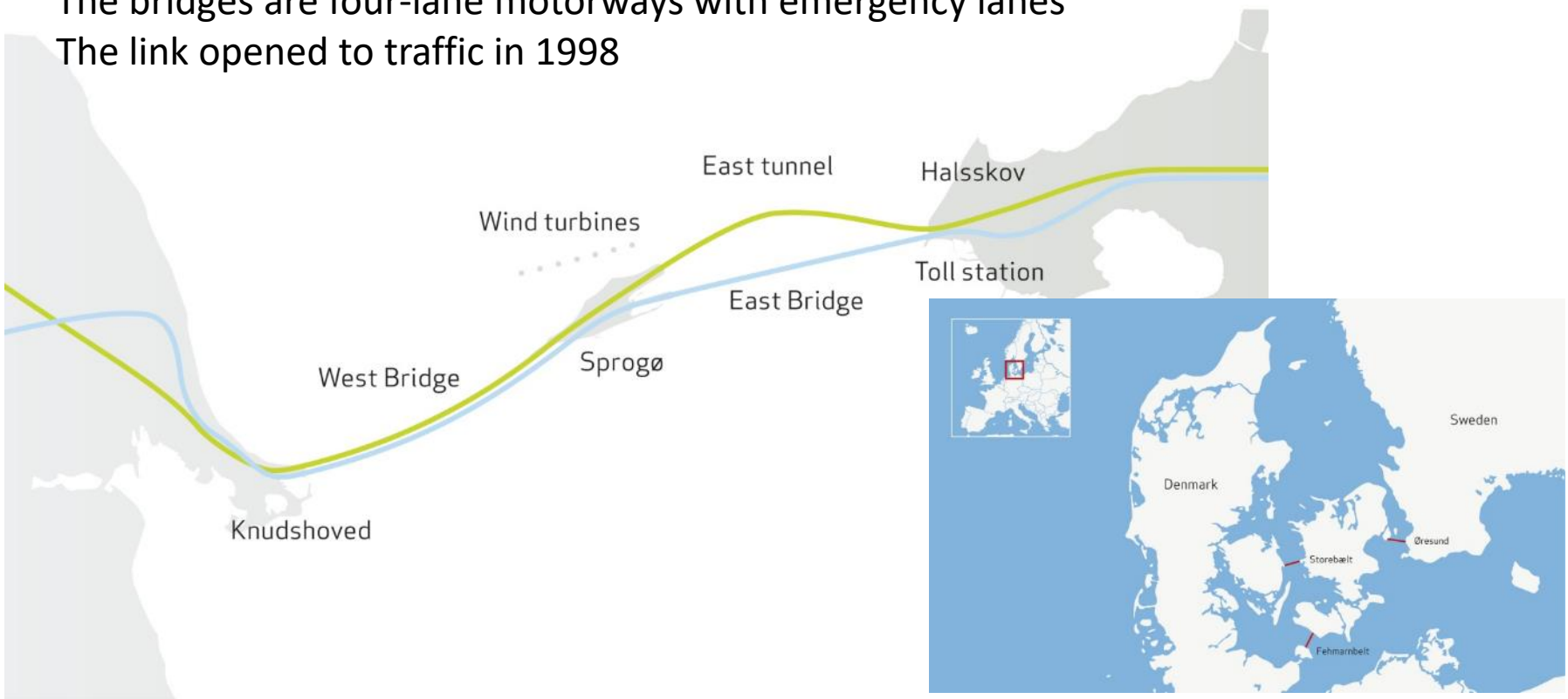
East Bridge, 6.8 km

West Bridge, 6.6 km

Sprogø, 3 km

The bridges are four-lane motorways with emergency lanes

The link opened to traffic in 1998



The Storebælt Link



- 18 km motorway between Zealand and Funen
- 8 km bored tunnel for railway
- 3 km motorway on Sprogø
- 7 km bridge (road and railway)
- 7 km suspension bridge

The Storebælt Link

Suspension bridge: 2,700 m

Main span 1,624 m

Two side spans of 535 m

Navigation clearance is 65 m

Height of pylons: 254 m



The Storebaelt Link

Inauguration:

Railway June 1997

Motorway June 1998

Average daily traffic (2018): 35.000

Record: 52,938 (August 12, 2018)

10 lanes eastbound

12 lanes westbound

Toll cars: 38 USD

Toll lorries (Length >10 m): 152 USD

Approach Bridge platform



West Bridge Platform



Cable inspection platform



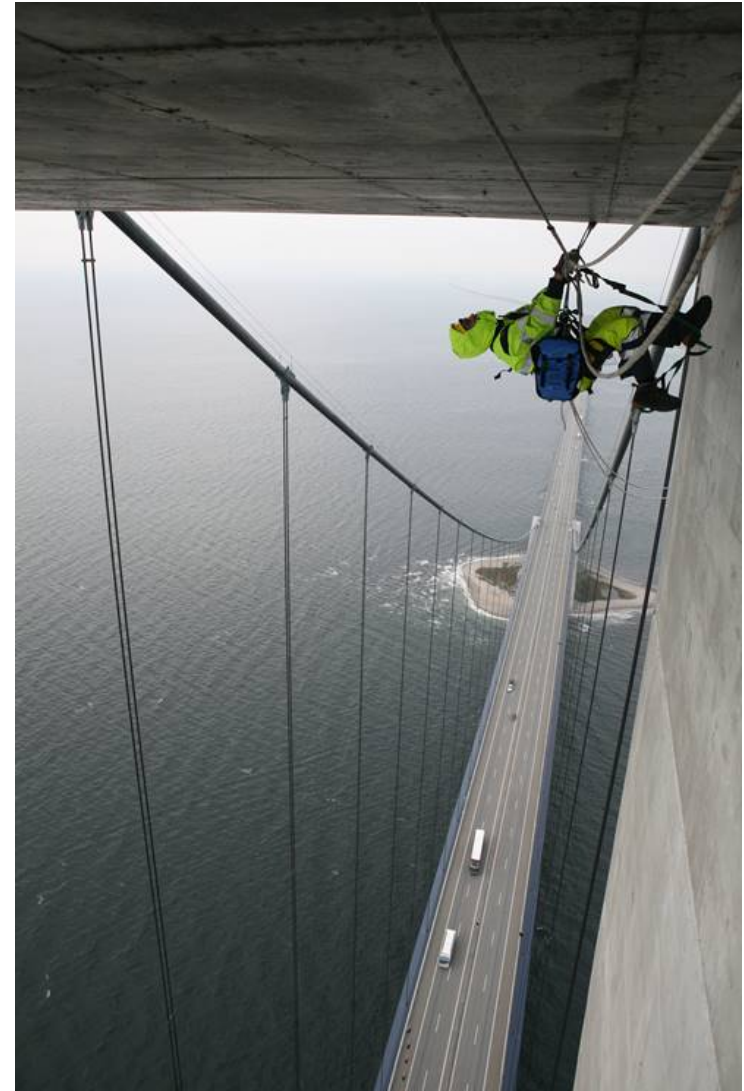
Sky climber platform at pylon



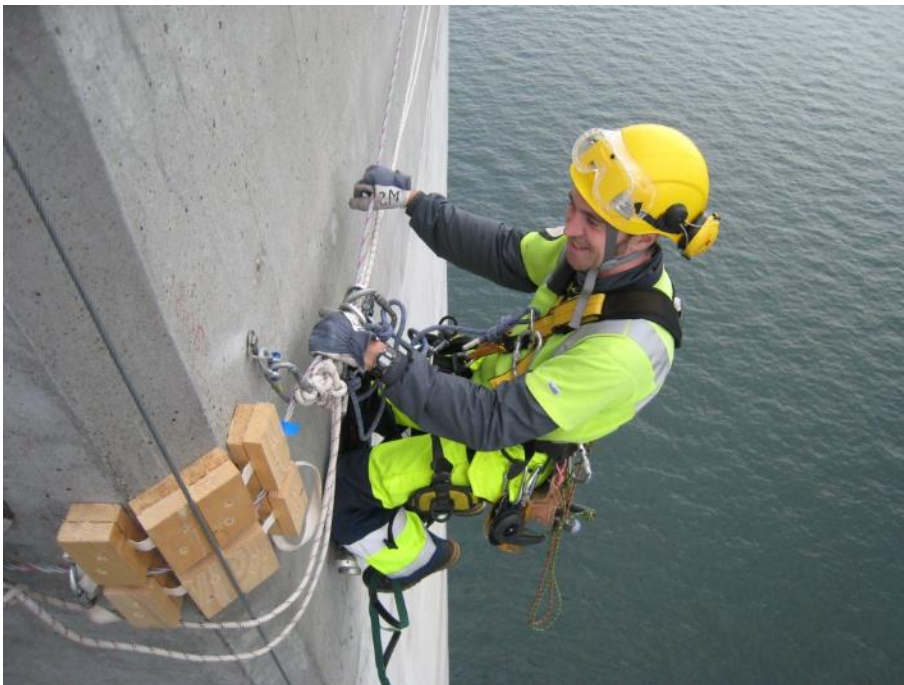
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Abseiling



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Roadmap project

- Yearly operational and maintenance cost is more than 60 mio. USD.
- Our goal is a 2 % savings on maintenance cost every year
- Road map project together with Blue Ocean Robotics



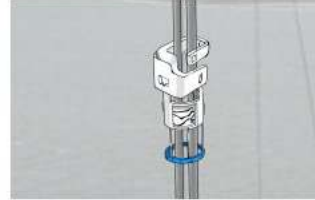
Roadmap project



RPA 1
Outdoor Inspection Drone



RPA 2
Indoor Inspection Drone



RPA 3
Cable Climbing Robot



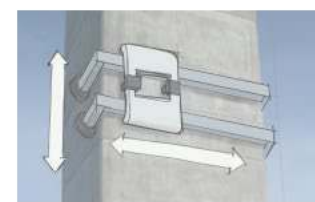
RPA 4
Mobile Inspection Robot



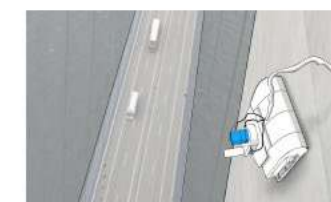
RPA 5
Tunnel and Railway
Inspection Robot



RPA 6
Steel Surface Inspection and
Treatment Robot



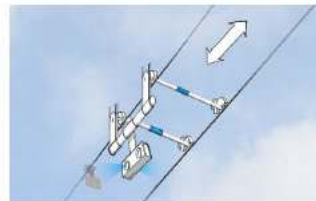
RPA 7
Concrete Surface Inspection
and Treatment Robot



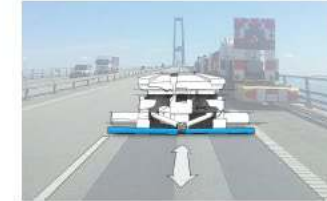
RPA 8
Surface Treatment
Suction Robot



RPA 9
Underwater Inspection Drone



RPA 10
Train Overhead Cable Inspection
Robot



RPA 11
Road Inspection Robot

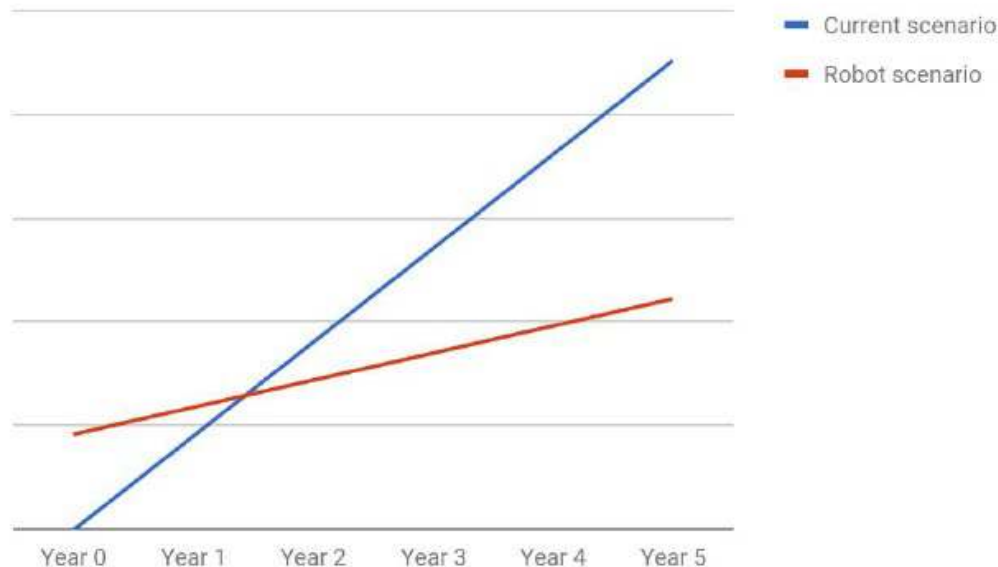
RPA 1 - Outdoor Inspection Drone



Conclusion

Based on the available data and input provided by Sund & Bælt, the business case for RPA 1 indicates a **very good** potential, with an **initial investment** of **920,000 DKK** and a **payback time** of **1.43 years** when considering the main business case drivers. This is a significant potential, especially as the unaddressed business case parameters and socio-economic factors would improve the business case even more.

[Link](#) for business case data and estimations.



Inspection of separators and clamps





Phantom 4 Pro

- First Anchor block completed using standard DJI Phantom 4 Pro
- Unable to look up and low GPS accuracy (1-2 meters)

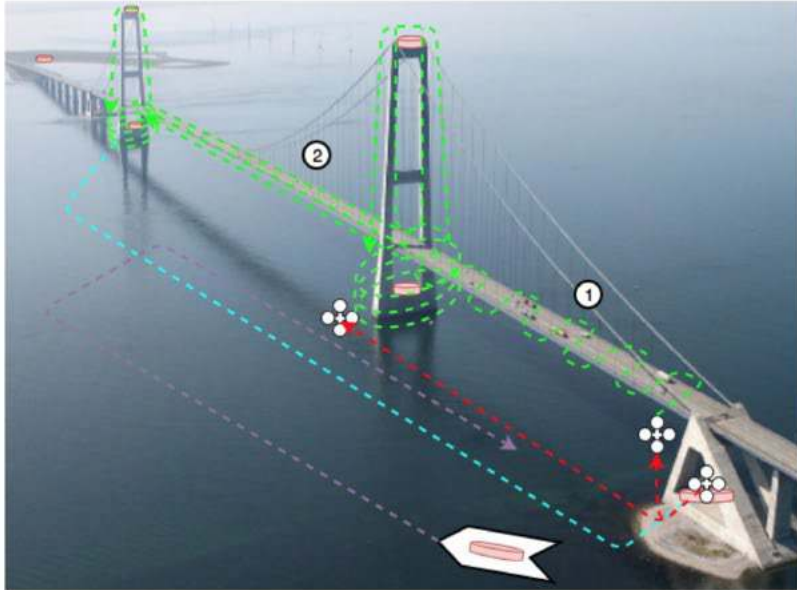
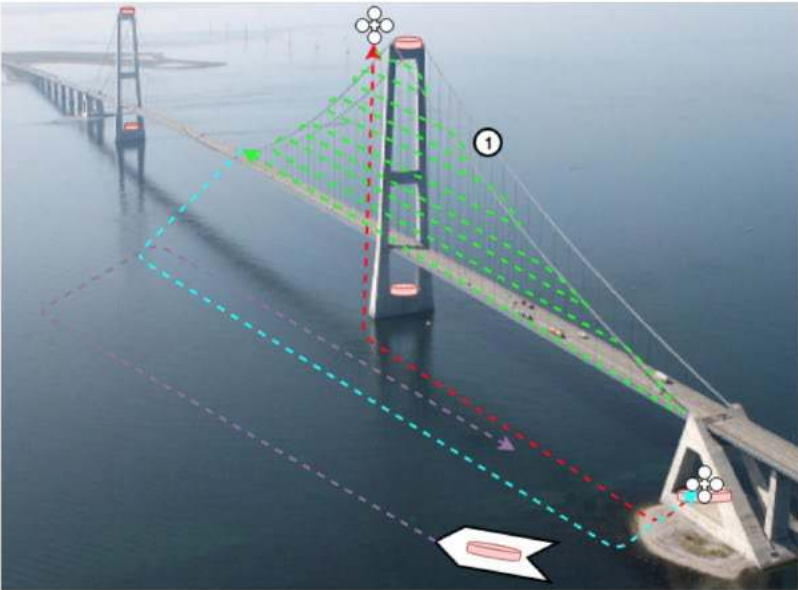


Matrice 210 RTK, ver 2

- Option to mount camera on top and look up underneath the bridge
- better GPS positional accuracy through RTK (15-20 cm)



Semi/full automatic drone flight navigation



Drone inspection of the anchorage



Video showing the system

Observation #14

Inspector	SAJN	Detailed view from Image	Overview from 3D Model	Comment
Defect	Afskalning \x2fdelaminering - Spalling \x2fdelamination			<p>Afskal ved revne, måske pga. bevægelse.</p>
Lenght (m)	1.082			
Area (m2)	0.0465			
Rating	3A			

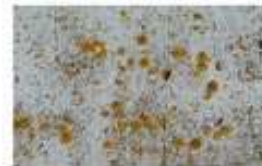
Group of damages



Cracks



Rust



Algae

Conclusion:

New approach using UAV (Unmanned aerial vehicles) for data sampling and virtual inspection tool to inspect structures has shown its potential by:

- Reducing man hours spent in the field
- Reducing costs for expensive access equipment
- Reducing traffic interruption
- Applicable for many different kinds of structures

Data based automated integrated systems are the future leap at Sund & Baelt but it will never be a complete substitute for good, professional engineering knowledge. Even the best trend prediction systems do not supersede our civil engineers. We still need manual inspections on a regular basis.

