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The wind loading stresses involved during operation, and the need to keep the total mass of the turbine blades reasonably low, has lead engineers to design and build turbine blades as...

Thanks to this feature, blades can be transported safely and efficiently in hard-to-reach places. Apart from lifting, it can also rotate the blade by 360 degrees around its axis.

This paper highlights the logistical and infrastructure challenges of transporting wind turbine blades from manufacturing facilities to end-user markets, and outlines a solution: Lockheed Martin's Hybrid Airship.

Transport is carried out using a trailer, with at least ten axles. This mechanism is incorporated behind the tractor head, which allows both turning the blade and lifting it in the vertical plane, always fixing ...

Wind turbines can be found all over the world, gracefully spinning and generating electricity to power entire communities. These structures look majestic and can feature blades hundreds of feet ...

To move enough blades for a whole wind-farm operation, a WindRunner might fly back and forth from factory to farm every day for months, carrying one or two blades at a time.

A wind turbine cannot be folded or bent once built, so moving the enormous blades presents logistical challenges.

The blades are heavy and the customer doesn't want to pay a specialized pilot with a large copter that guzzles aviation fuel to spend hours doing transport. We recently had a project come in with blades ...

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