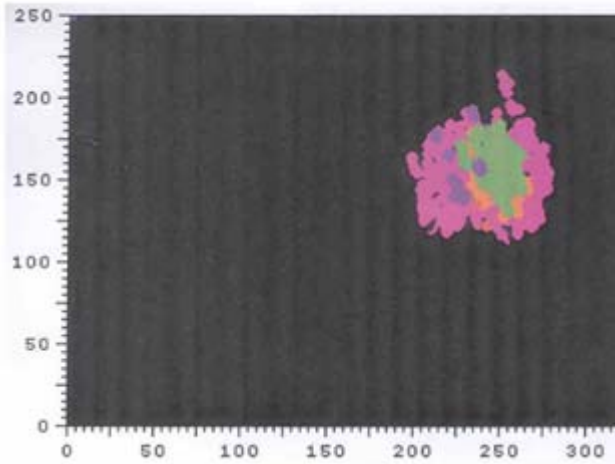


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Temporal variability in corrosion modeling and reliability updating

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Motivation

- Corrosion models are applied in many industries, for both
 - Design
 - Inspection & maintenance planning
 - To optimize inspection and maintenance activities, a probabilistic approach is required
 - Most of the applied models are simplistic and/or deterministic
 - They do not consider neither **spatial variability** nor **temporal variability**
- 1) What are the implications of using simplistic models in this context?
 - 2) How can the temporal variability be accounted for?

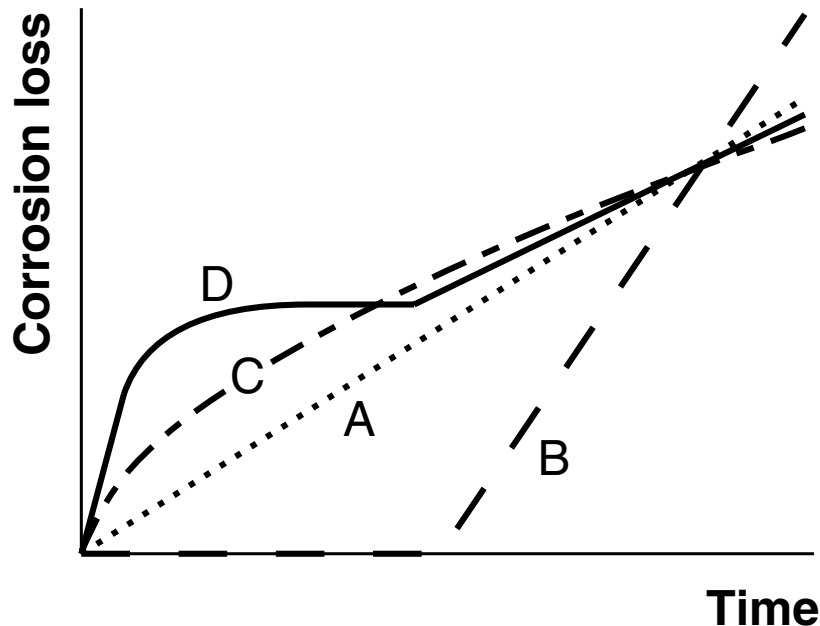


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Modelling of corrosion

- Typical models from the literature:



A: Constant corrosion rate

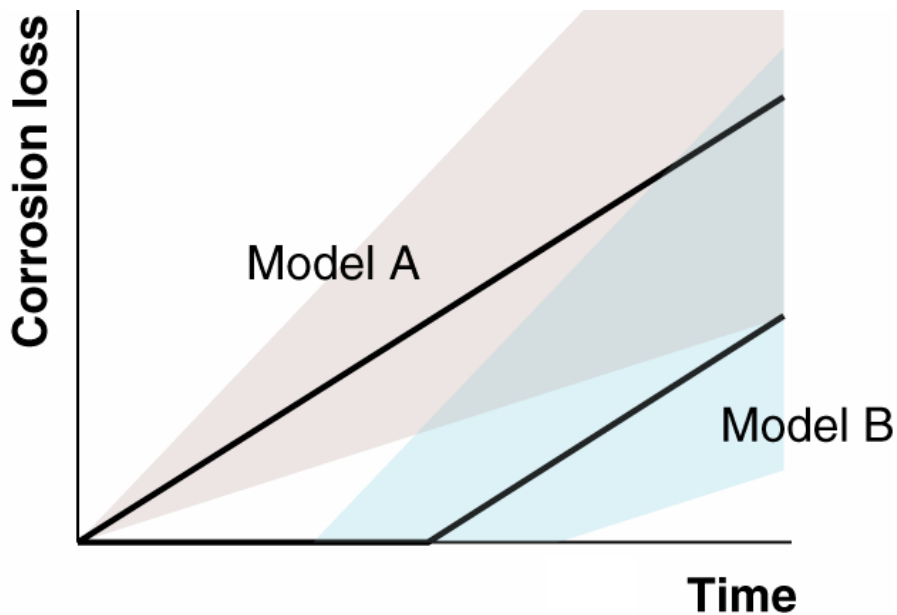
B: Constant corrosion rate with initiation period

C: Corrosion loss follows a power law

D: A model considering different driving mechanisms

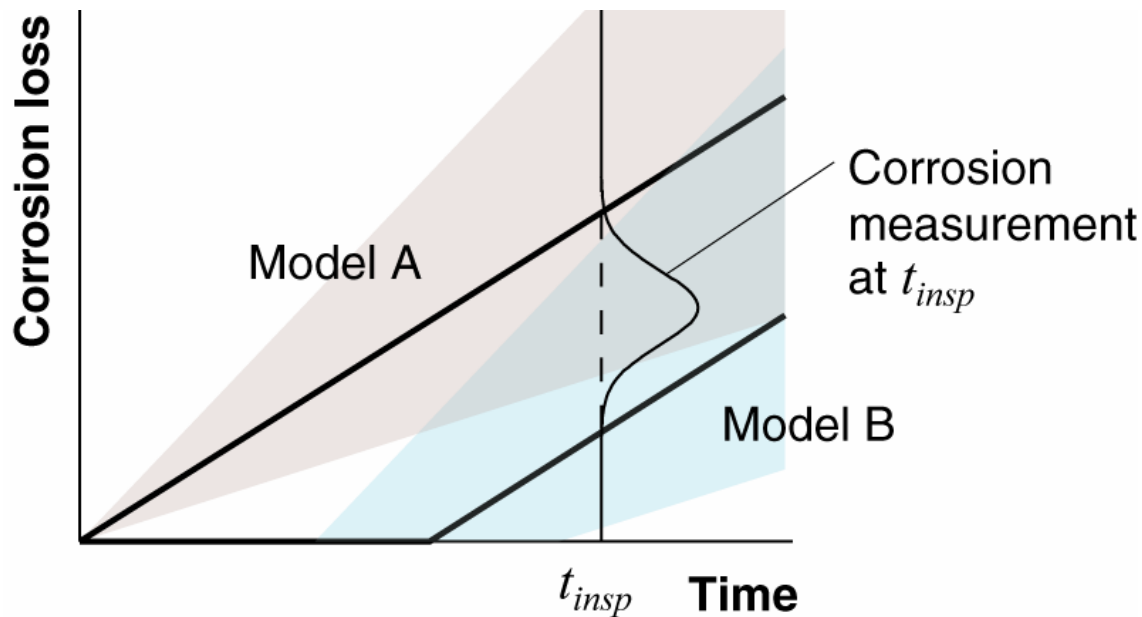
Probabilistic modelling of corrosion

- Comparing two (simple) models:
 - Model A: constant corrosion rate
 - Model B: As A, with initiation period
- Model A can be considered as conservative compared to B



Probabilistic modelling of corrosion

- Influence of an inspection result on the reliability as evaluated with the two models



Example

$$g = d_{cr} - d_C(t)$$

$$g_m = d_m - d_C(t)$$

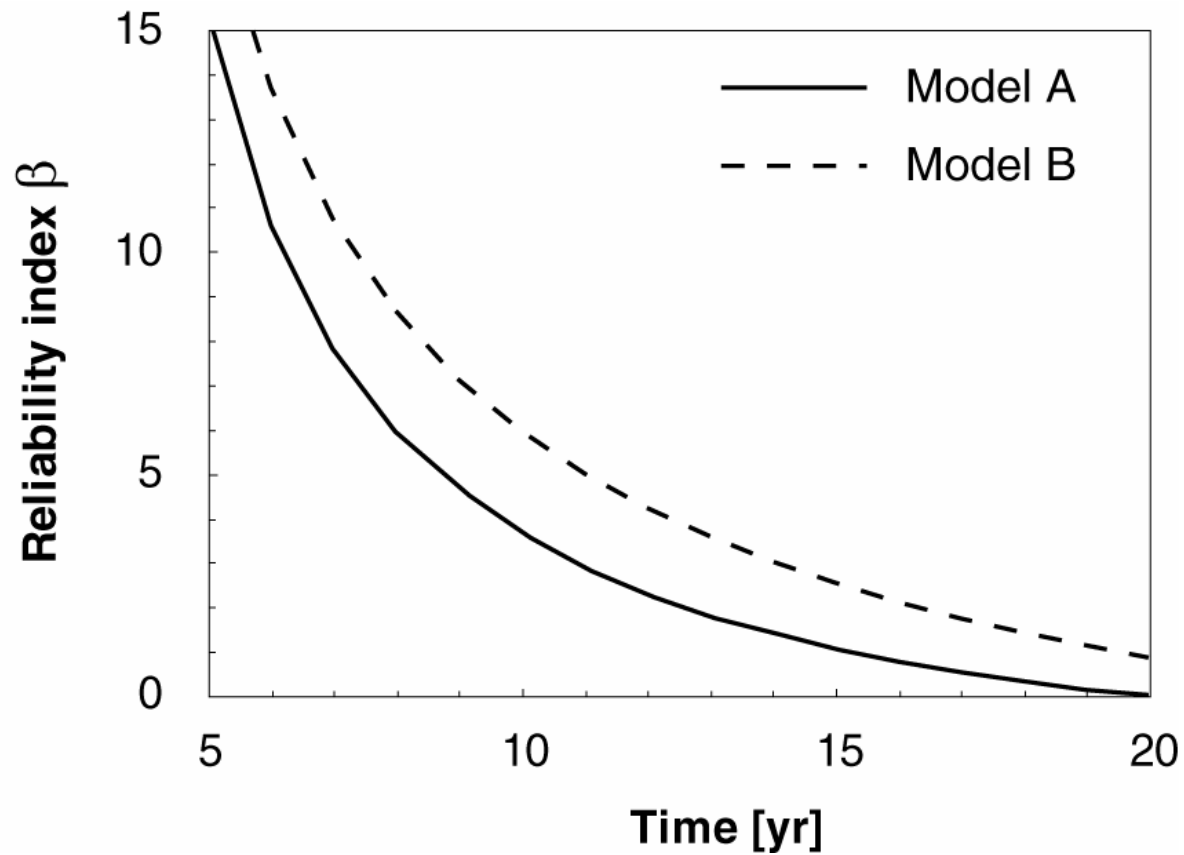
$$d_C(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t < t_I \\ r(t - t_I) & t \geq t_I \end{cases}$$

Parameter	Dim.	μ	σ	Dist.	
Corrosion rate r	mm/yr	1	0.3	W	
Initiation time t_I	yr	0	0	-	
	Model B	yr	5	2	LN
Critical depth d_{cr}	mm	20	-	D	
Insp. time t_{Insp}	yr	8	-	D	
Corrosion measurement d_m	mm	6	1	N	

μ : Mean value; σ : standard deviation; W: Weibull distr.; LN: Lognormal distr.; D: deterministic; N: Normal distr.

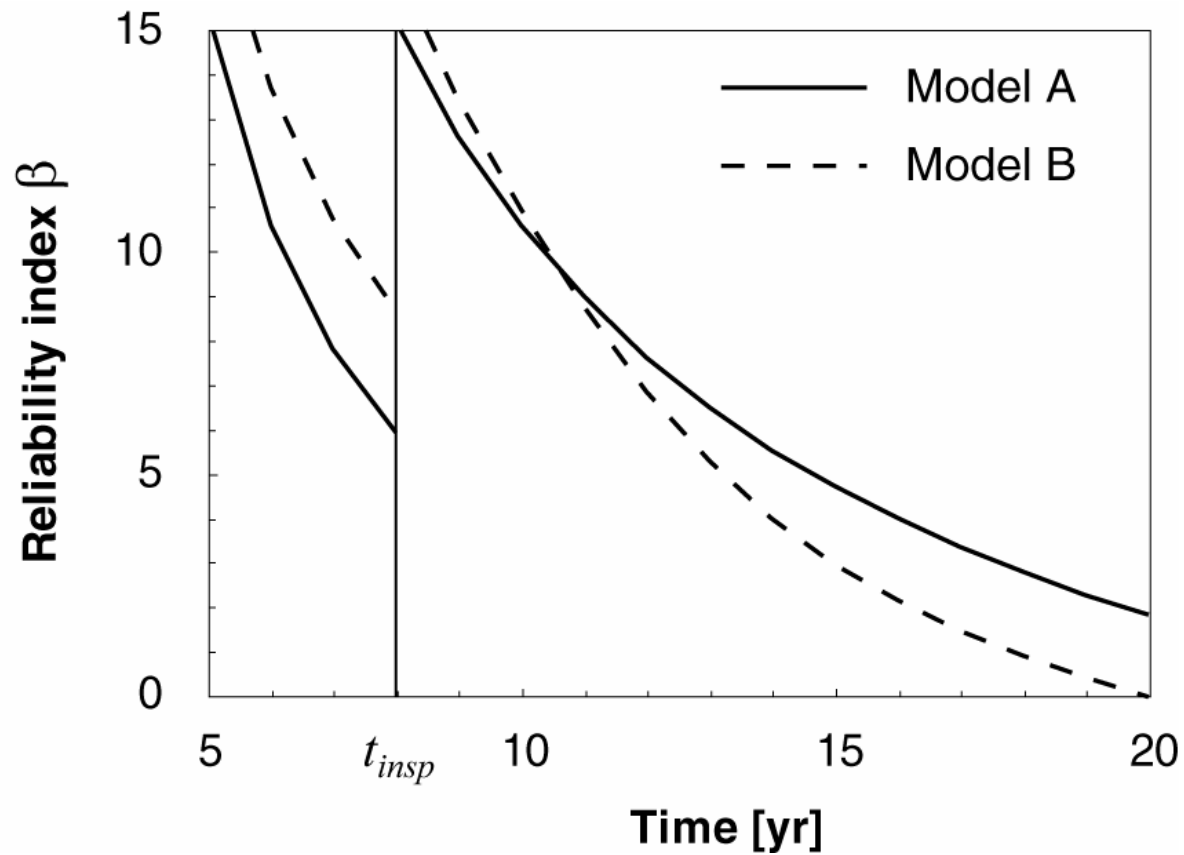
Results example

- Without inspection: Model A is conservative



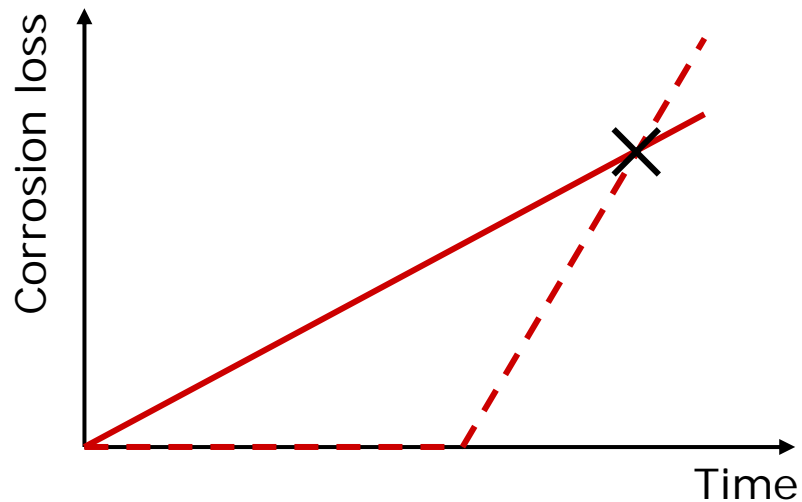
Results example

- With inspection: Model A is no longer conservative



Probabilistic modelling of corrosion

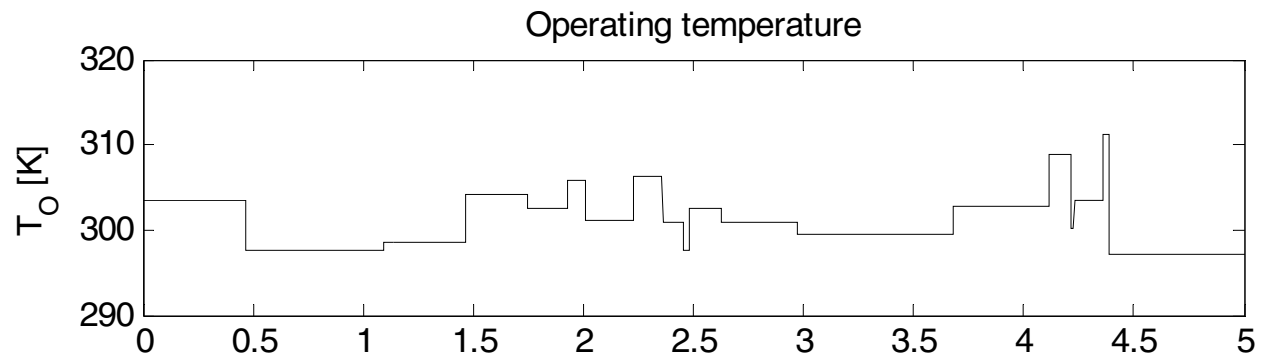
- The non-conservatism of model A can be illustrated by considering only the measurement event deterministically:



- This points out the importance of an appropriate phenomenological model of the corrosion deterioration

Temporal variability in corrosion modeling

- So far no temporal variability in the model has been considered, i.e., all random variables were assumed constant with time.
- In the real world, influencing factors vary with time, e.g.,
 - Chemical composition of the environment
 - Temperature
 - Pressures



- What is the influence of these variation and how can it be considered?

Temporal variability in corrosion modeling

- **CO₂ corrosion in a pipeline**
- DeWaards-Miliams model:

$$g = d_{cr} - d_C(t)$$

$$d_C(t) = X_M r_{CO_2} t$$

$$r_{CO_2} = 10^{(5.8 - 1710/T_o + 0.67 \cdot \log_{10} f_{CO_2})}$$

$$f_{CO_2} = P_{CO_2} \cdot 10^{P_o(0.0031 - 1.4/T_o)}$$

$$P_{CO_2} = n_{CO_2} P_o$$

- Parameters considered as stochastic processes:
 - Temperature
 - Pressure

Temporal variability in corrosion modeling

- Temperature & pressure are modelled by conditional Poisson square wave processes.
- The underlying Poisson processes are fully correlated.
- Additionally a correlation factor of 0.8 between the amplitudes of temperature & pressure at any point in time is assumed.
- For an ordinary Poisson square wave processes it is

$$E[X(t)] = E[Y]$$

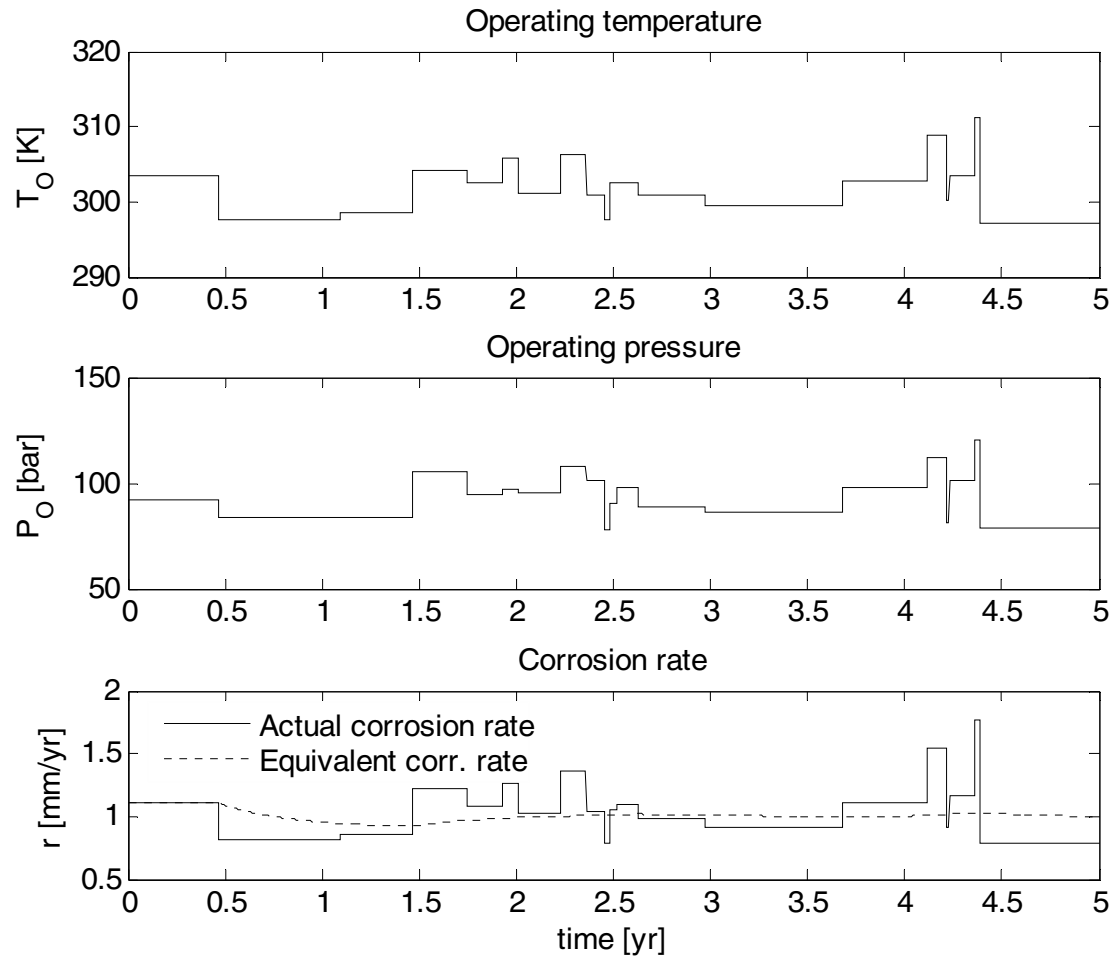
$$\text{Cov}[X(t_1), X(t_2)] = \text{Var}[Y] \exp\{-\nu(t_2 - t_1)\}$$

- The mean values of the amplitude of T and P are uncertain themselves. Therefore it is:

$$\text{Cov}[X(t_1), X(t_2)] = \text{Var}[Y] e^{-\nu|t_2-t_1|} + \text{Var}[\mu_Y] \left(1 - e^{-\nu|t_2-t_1|}\right)$$

Temporal variability in corrosion modeling

- One realisation of the random processes:



Temporal variability in corrosion modeling

- The corrosion rate follows also a conditional Poisson square wave process
- For one realisation of the corrosion rate, an equivalent corrosion rate can be computed:

$$r_e(t) = \frac{d_C(t)}{t} = \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t r_{CO_2}(t) dt$$

- The moments of such an integration are obtained as

$$E[r_e(t)] = \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t E[r_{CO_2}(t)] dt = E[Y_r]$$

$$\text{Var}[r_e(t)] = \frac{1}{t^2} \int_0^t \int_0^t \text{Cov}[r_{CO_2}(t_1), r_{CO_2}(t_2)] dt_1 dt_2$$

Temporal variability in corrosion modeling

- The variance for the considered process is obtained as

$$\text{Var}[r_e(t)] = \text{Var}[\mu_{Y_r}] + 2\left(\text{Var}[Y_r] - \text{Var}[\mu_{Y_r}]\right)\left(\frac{1}{\nu t} + \frac{(e^{-\nu t} - 1)}{(\nu t)^2}\right)$$

- To calculate the moments of equivalent corrosion rate at any time, the following must be evaluated numerically:

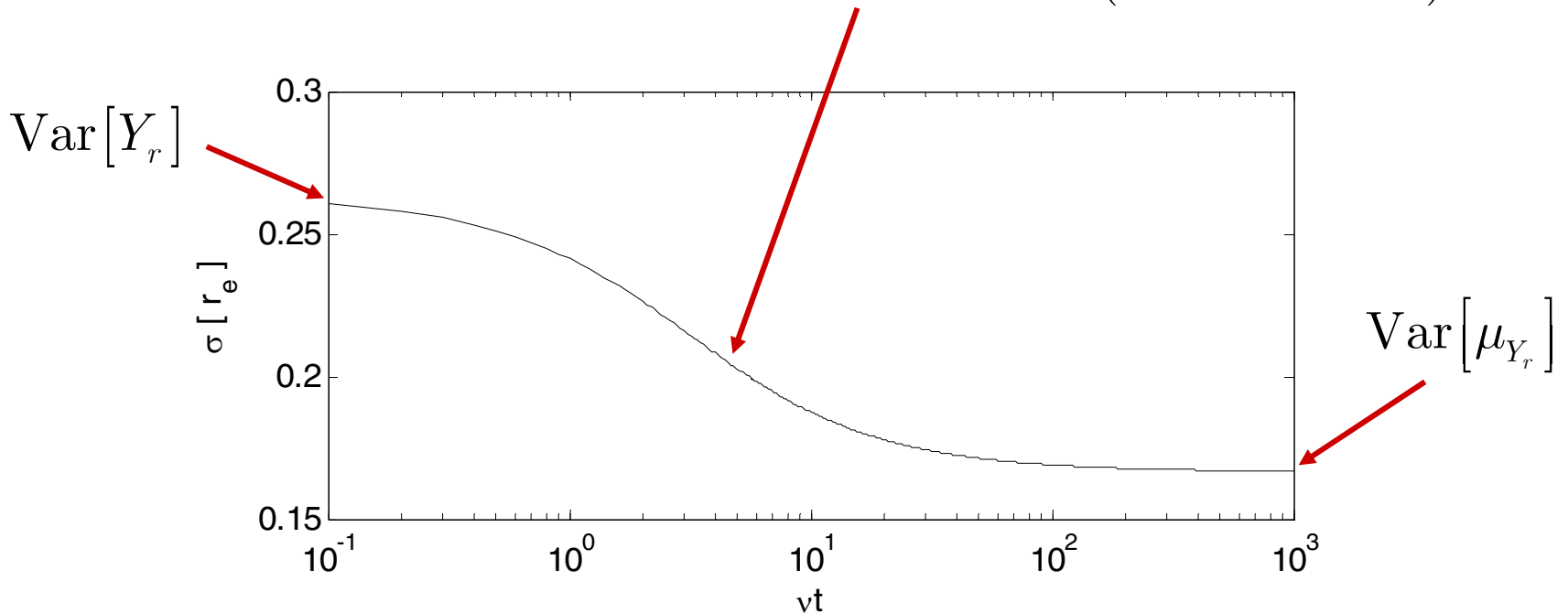
$$\text{E}[Y_r] \quad \text{Constant}$$

$$\text{Var}[Y_r] \quad \text{The random-point-in-time variability} \quad \sigma_{r_e}^2(\nu t = 0)$$

$$\text{Var}[\mu_{Y_r}] \quad \text{The variability related to the time-invariant variability} \quad \sigma_{r_e}^2(\nu t = \infty)$$

Temporal variability in corrosion modeling

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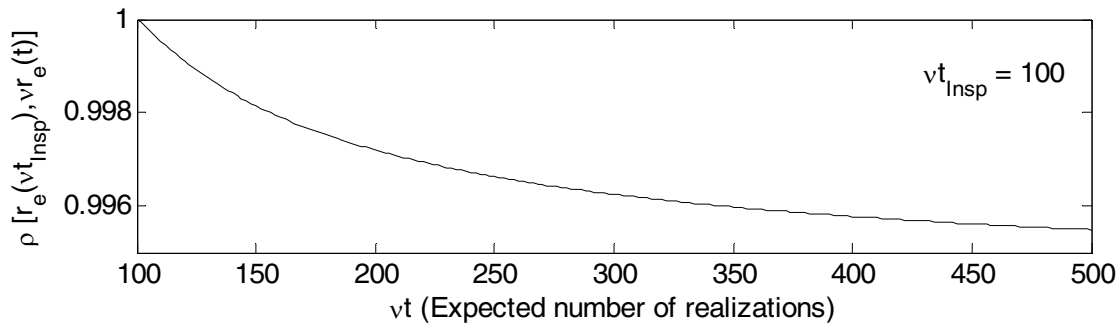
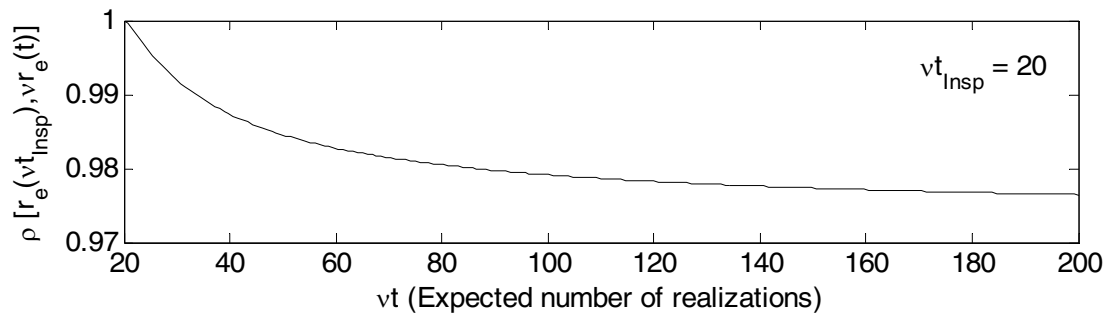
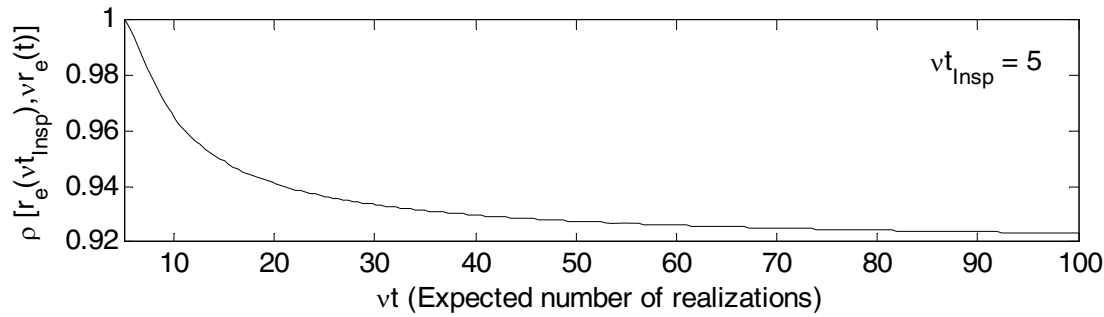
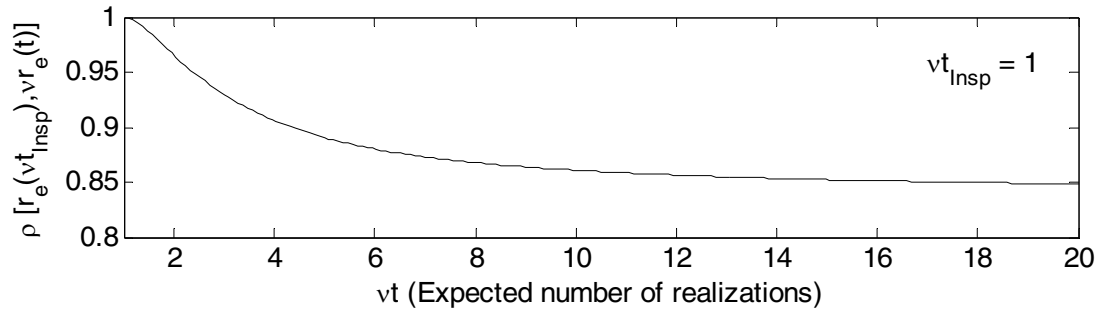
Temporal variability in corrosion modeling

- The equivalent corrosion rate $r_e(t)$ can now be calculated at any point in time
- The time-variant analysis can be replaced by a time-invariant reliability analysis with $r_e(t)$
- How to consider the temporal variability in reliability updating?

Temporal variability in corrosion reliability updating

- The application of equivalent values for the calculation of corrosion reliability may not be appropriate when considering reliability updating.
- This is investigated by calculating the correlation between the equivalent corrosion rate before and after the inspection:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cov}\left[r_e(t_{insp}), r_e(t)\right] &= \frac{1}{t_{insp} t} \int_0^{t_{insp}} dt_1 \int_0^t dt_2 \text{Cov}\left[r_{CO_2}(t_1), r_{CO_2}(t_2)\right] \\ &= \text{Var}\left[\mu_{Y_r}\right] + \left(\text{Var}\left[Y_r\right] - \text{Var}\left[\mu_{Y_r}\right]\right) \left(\frac{2}{\nu t} + \frac{1}{\nu t_{insp} \nu t} \left(-e^{-\nu(t-t_{insp})} + e^{-\nu t} + e^{-\nu t_{insp}} - 1\right)\right)\end{aligned}$$



Discussion & conclusions

- The use of an appropriate corrosion model is crucial for inspection & maintenance planning
- Temporal variability can be considered through the use of an equivalent corrosion rate as proposed
- The equivalent corrosion rate is derived for one example, but can be extended to other corrosion models
- The equivalent corrosion rate principle is also valid for reliability updating
- The same considerations apply also for other deterioration mechanisms