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Overview on the Asset Integrity Management of Large Structures

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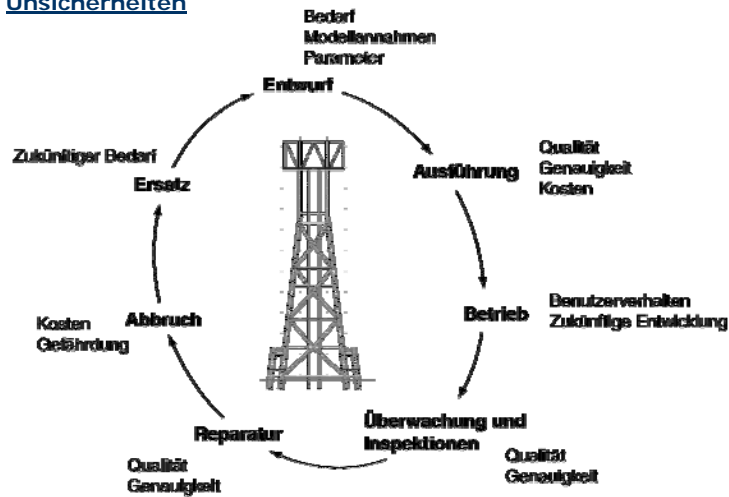
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Example results are included throughout the presentation
(Concrete structure subject to chloride-induced corrosion of the reinforcement)



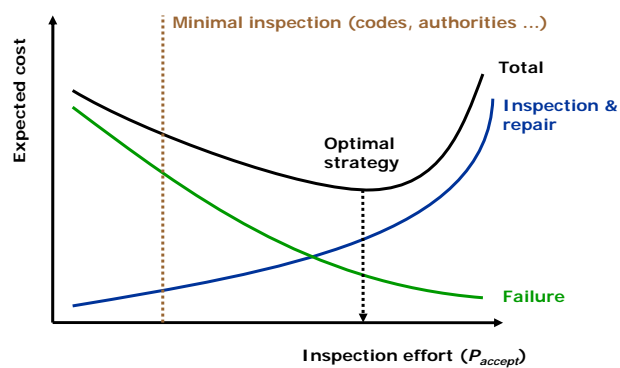
Life-cycle of a structure

Unsicherheiten



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- Decisions must be made under uncertainty
- For individual structural elements, such decisions can be optimized
- For large systems, many dependencies among individual elements/components must be considered:
 - Dependencies in the deterioration performance
 - Dependencies of the failure consequences
 - Dependencies of the inspection/repair costs
 - Inference from inspection of other parts of the system
- These dependencies must be taken into account when determining:
 - *What* to inspect for
 - *Where* to inspect
 - *When* to inspect
 - *How* to inspect



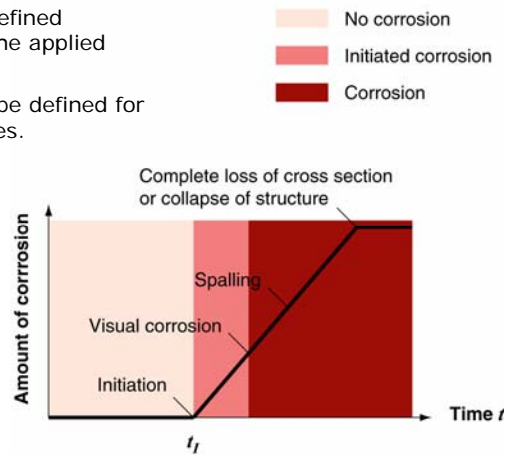
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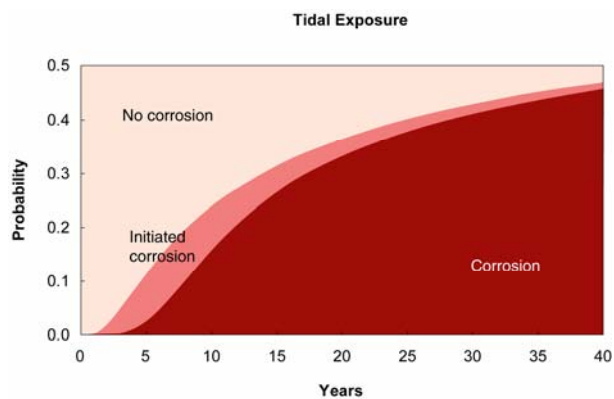


Quantitative temporal modelling of deterioration

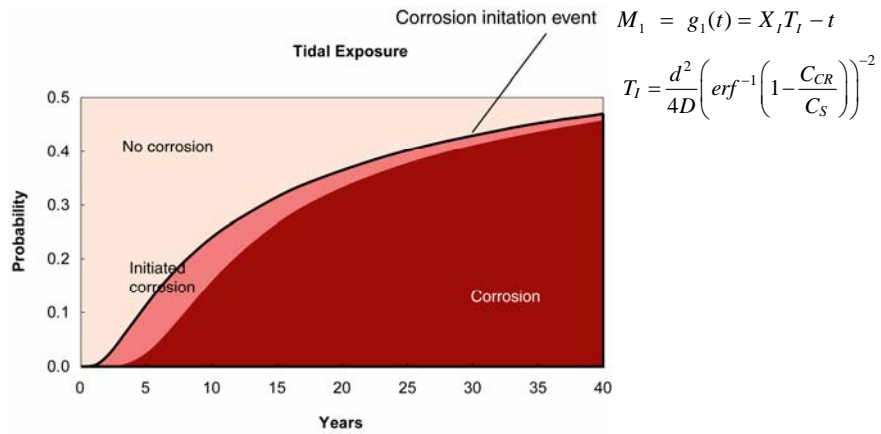
- The state of the structure is expressed in terms of condition states, e.g., corrosion initiation and visible corrosion.
- Condition states must be defined quantitatively in terms of the applied corrosion models.
- Limit state functions must be defined for the different condition states.



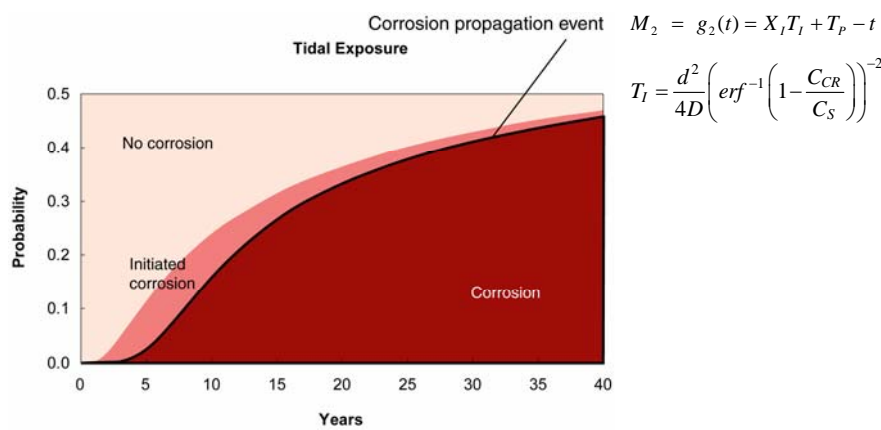
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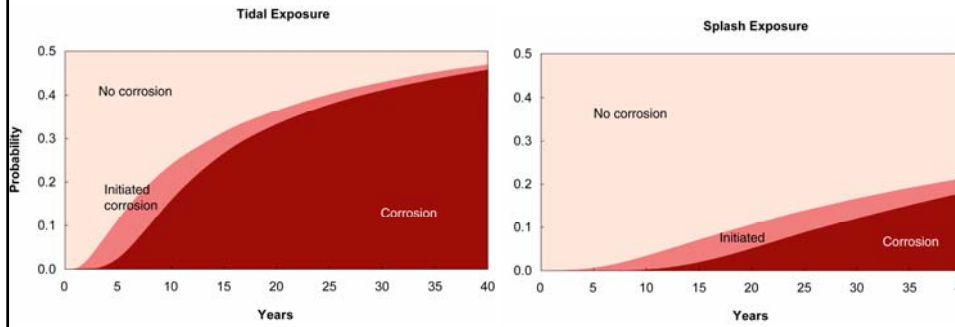


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- Tidal vs. splash exposure:

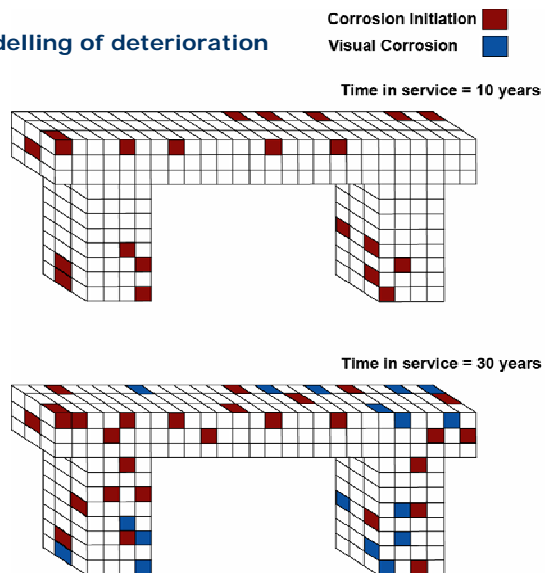


- The differences are observed for the same structure in different exposure classes



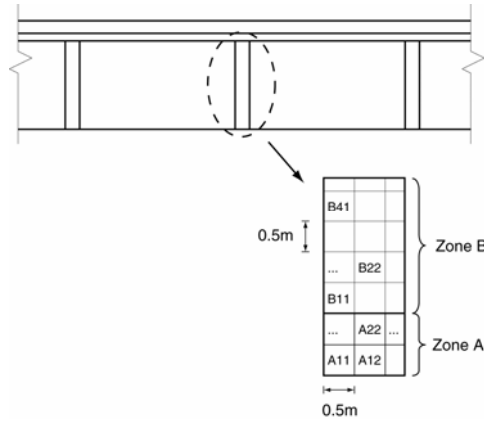
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- Deterioration varies over the structure
- Combined spatial and temporal modelling:



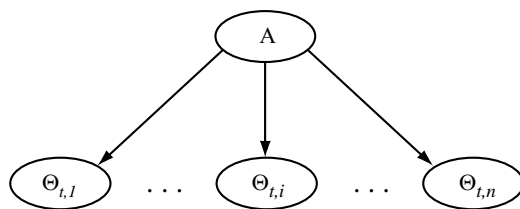
Quantitative spatial modelling of deterioration

- Spatial model is required
- Discretize into zones and elements
- Zones: Areas with the same parameters



Quantitative spatial modelling of deterioration

- Proposed spatial model:
- Discretize into zones and elements
- Zones: Areas with the same parameters
- Using hyper-parameters to represent the dependency among elements in one zone.



Hyper-parameters

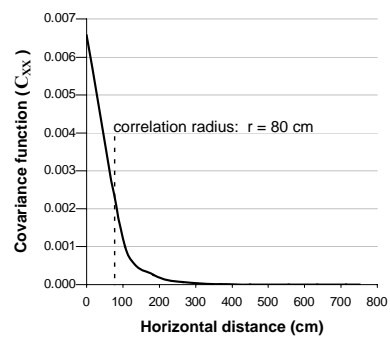
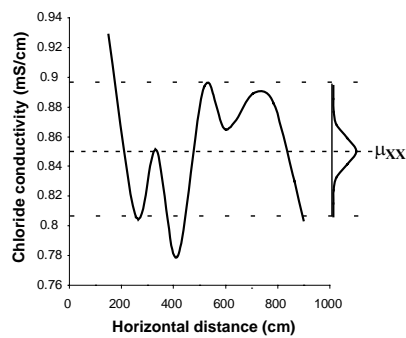
Condition states at the n individual elements at different points in time t





Determine spatial variability through experiments

- Determine element size (elements are independent given the hyper-parameters)



$$f_X(\mathbf{x}) = (2\pi)^{-m/2} |C_{XX}|^{-1/2} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mu_{XX})^T C_{XX}^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \mu_{XX})\right]$$



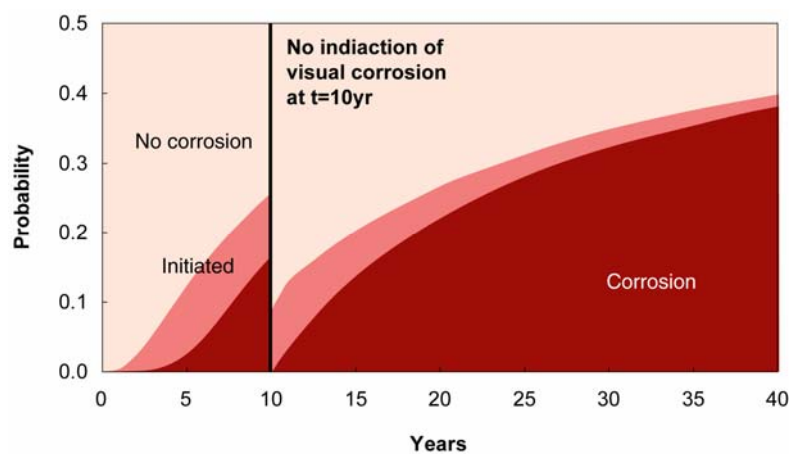
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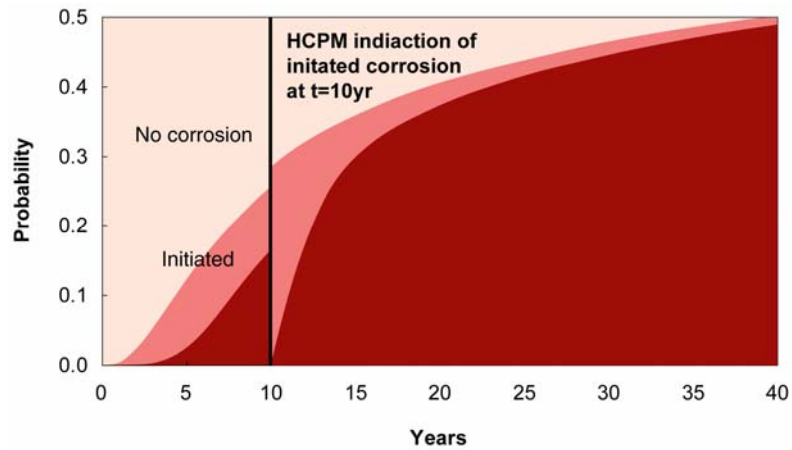
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The effect of inspections in space

- Inspections provide information on the state of the element, but also of the entire system
- The effect on the system is a function of the dependencies in the model:
 - Full dependency: Inspection of 1 element is sufficient
 - No dependency: All elements must be inspected
- The value of an inspection of an element with regard to the other elements can be assessed

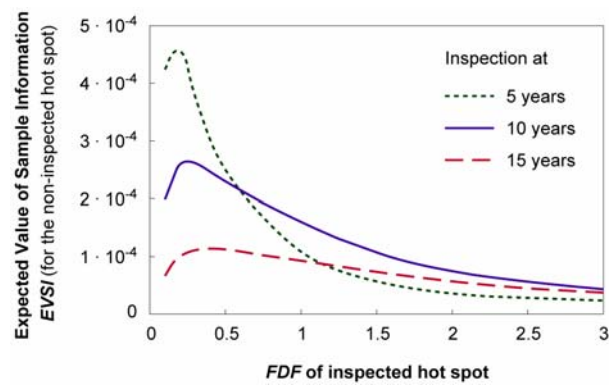


(Straub & Faber, Structural Safety 2005)

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The effect of inspections in space

- The value of inspecting an element with regard to another element (or the system):



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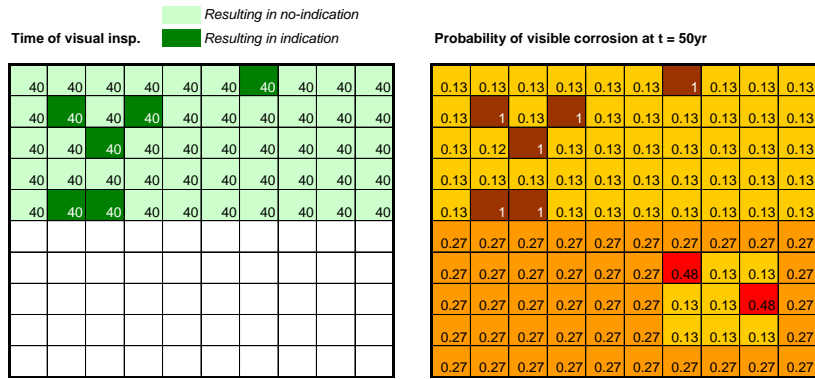
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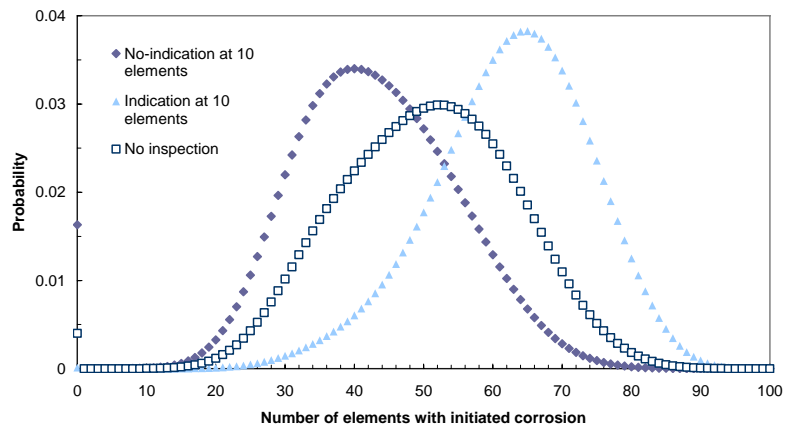
Computational framework (paper)

- Example:



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- Example (HCPM at year 25)



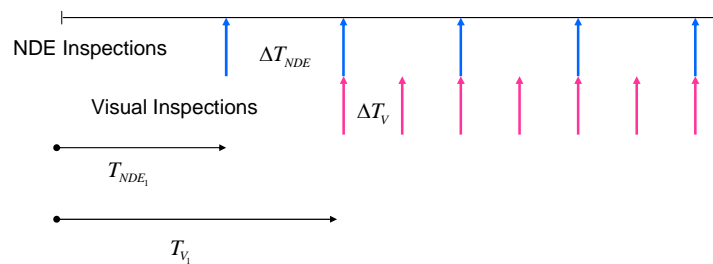
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Define inspection strategies

- *What percentage* of the structure should be inspected *when* and with *which method*?
- Define inspection/repair strategies:

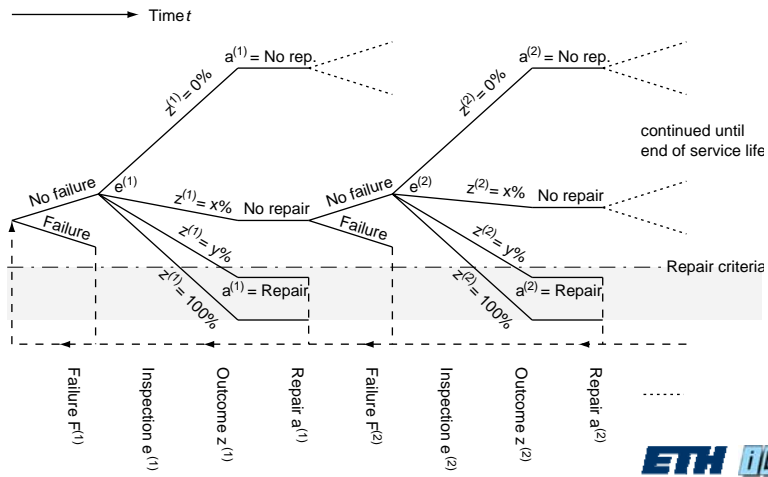


- When should repair actions be carried out? Repair criteria should be given as a function of the inspection outcomes



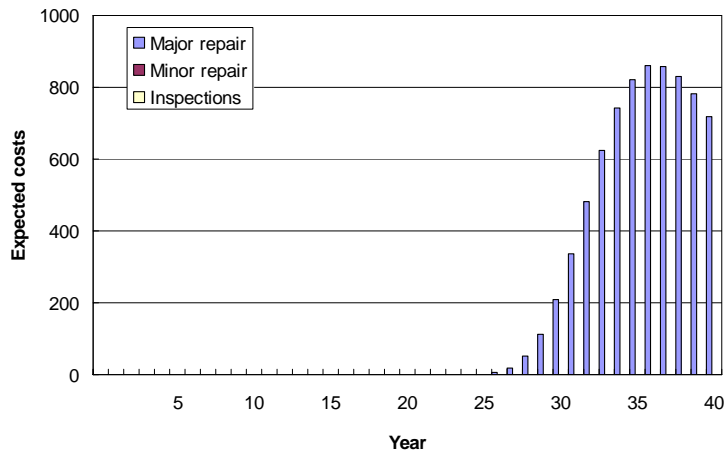
Calculating the inspected costs

- Decision tree (with much additional complexity compared to the case for the single element)



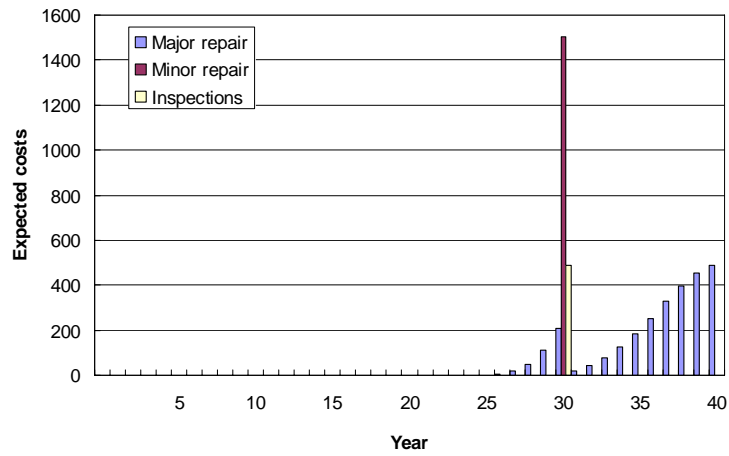
Optimizing inspection strategies

- Example (Zone with 100 elements) – Expected cost without inspections:



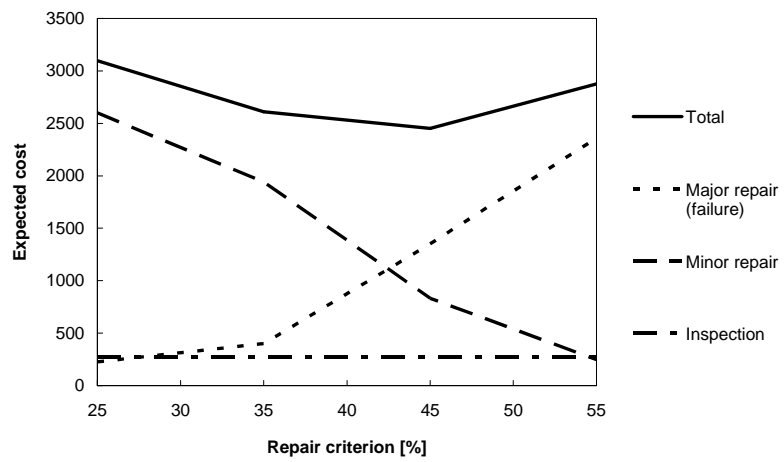
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- Example – Expected cost with 50% HCPM inspection at year 30:



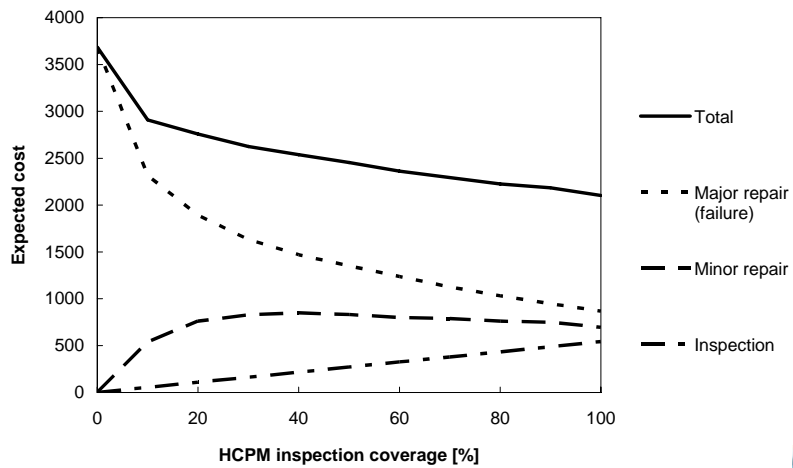
Optimizing inspection strategies

- Optimize repair criterion for HCPM outcome:



Optimizing inspection strategies

- Optimize inspection coverage for HCPM outcome:



Conclusions

- Asset integrity management for large deteriorating structures requires that both the temporal & spatial variability is explicitly addressed by the model
- The presented framework allows for explicit consideration of inspection results at different times and locations
 - An updated probabilistic model is available at all points in time for the planning of future actions
- Due to the computational efficiency, the model allows for an optimization of inspection efforts and repair strategies
- Thank you for your attention