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Improving Bridge Risk and Deterioration Modeling

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Background

Agency's questions:

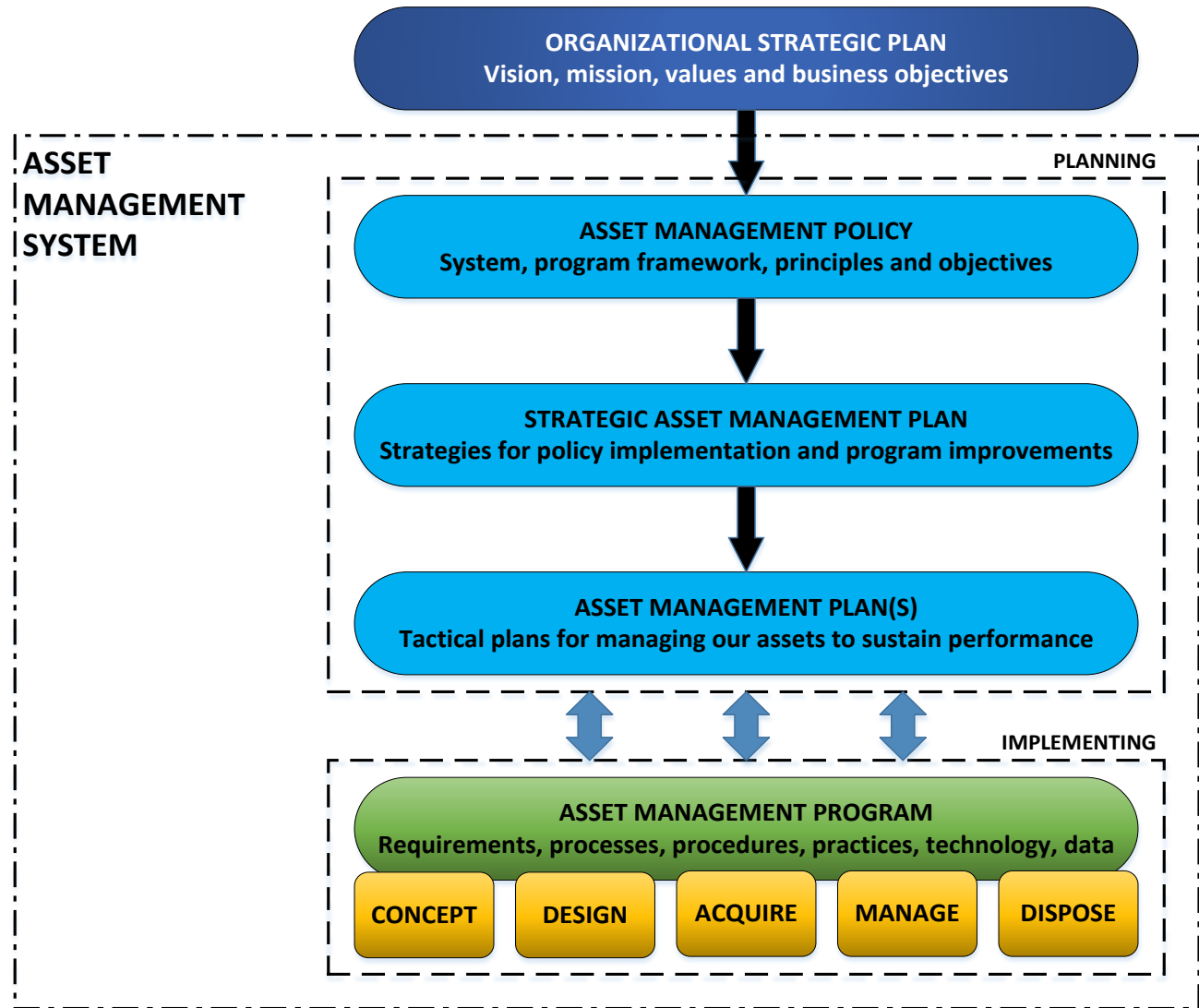
**How our bridges
deteriorate?**

**What factors influence
our bridge
deterioration?**



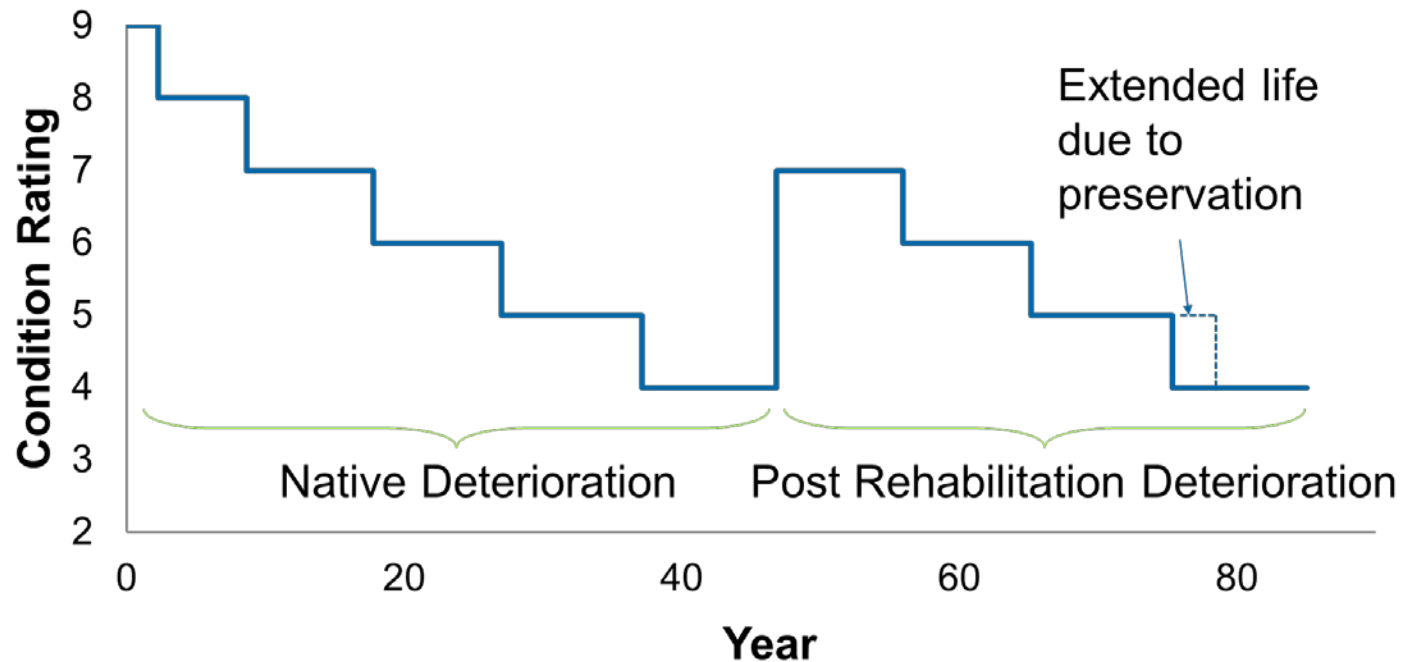
Importance

- Performance Forecasting
- Life Cycle Cost Analysis
- Financial Planning
- Risk Management



Main Questions

- ✓ Native Deterioration (no preservation or rehabilitation)
- ✓ Post-rehabilitation Deterioration
- ✓ Impact of Preservation on Deterioration



Deterioration Analysis

Deterioration Modeling of:

- 16000 bridges (deck, superstructure, substructure, wearing surface)
- 6000 culverts

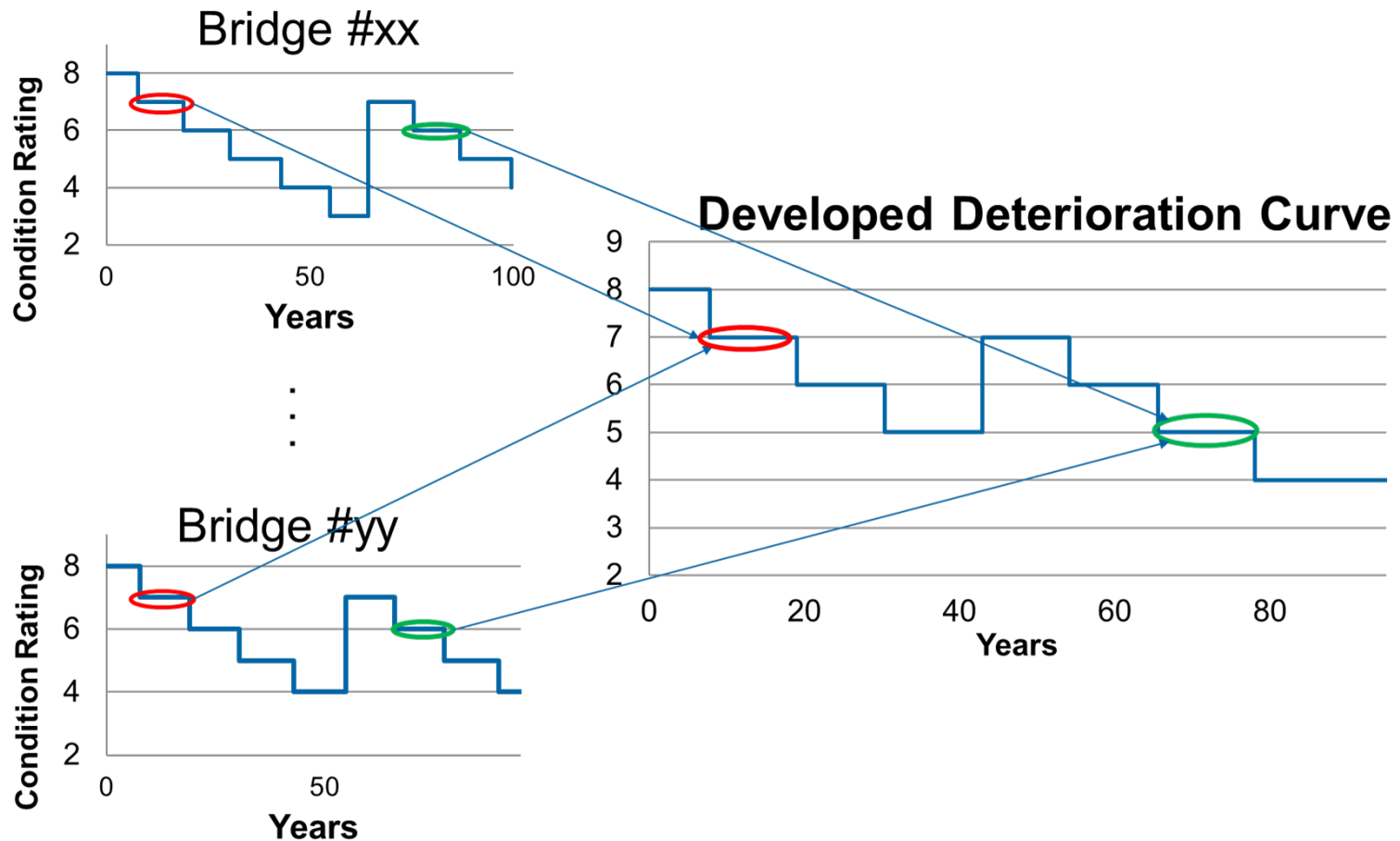
Statistical Analysis of the Impact of the Following Factors on Bridge Deterioration:

- Material
- Traffic
- Truck Traffic
- Functional Classification
- Construction Year
- Freeze Thaw Rating
- Business Plan Network
- Bridge Length

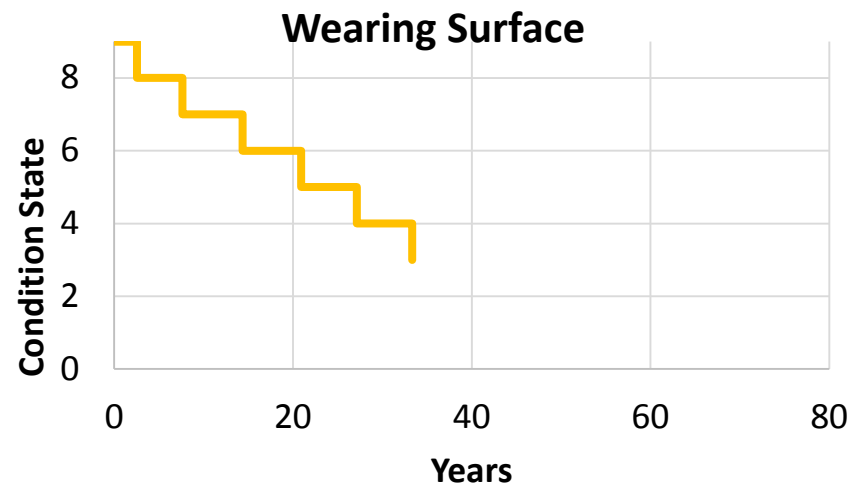
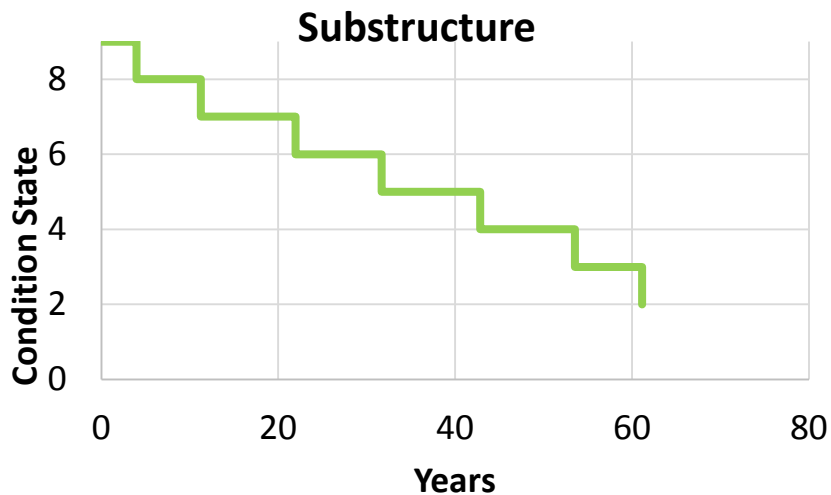
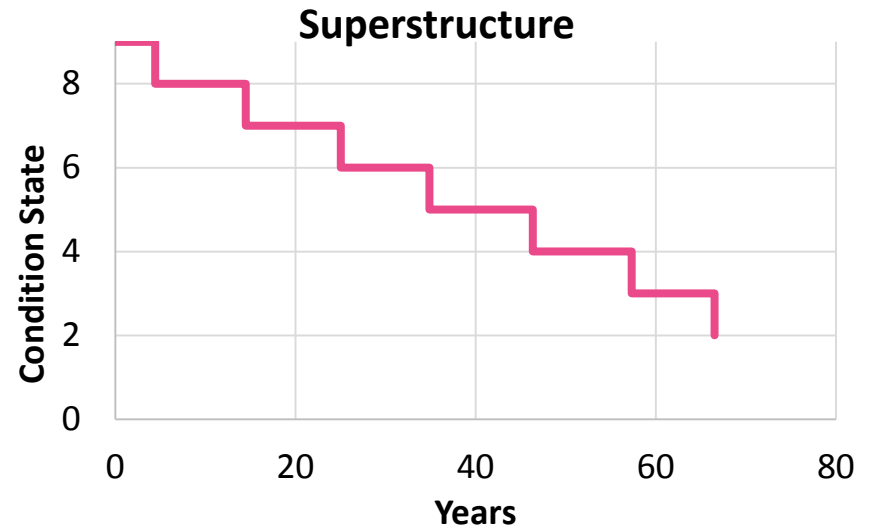
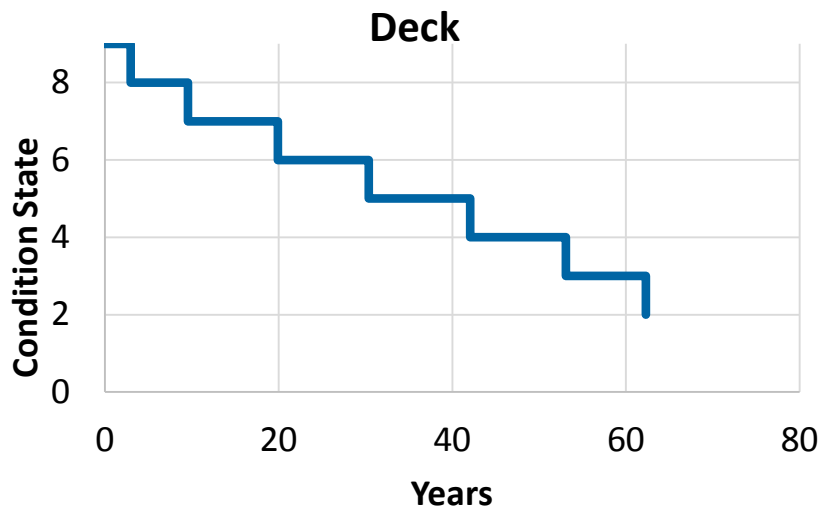


Method: Condition State Duration Prediction

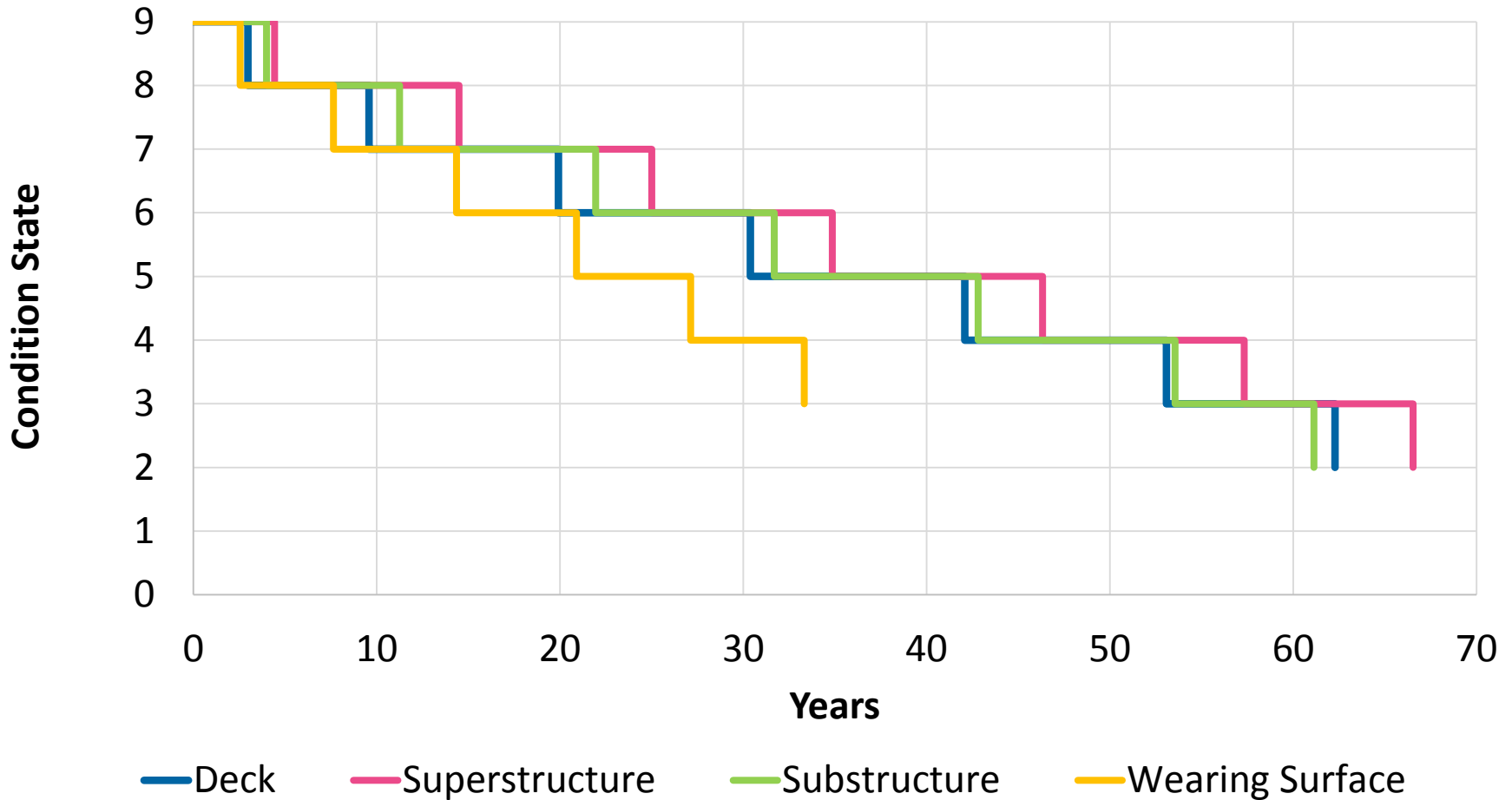
Estimates the expected years that a bridge remains in each condition state



Native Curves



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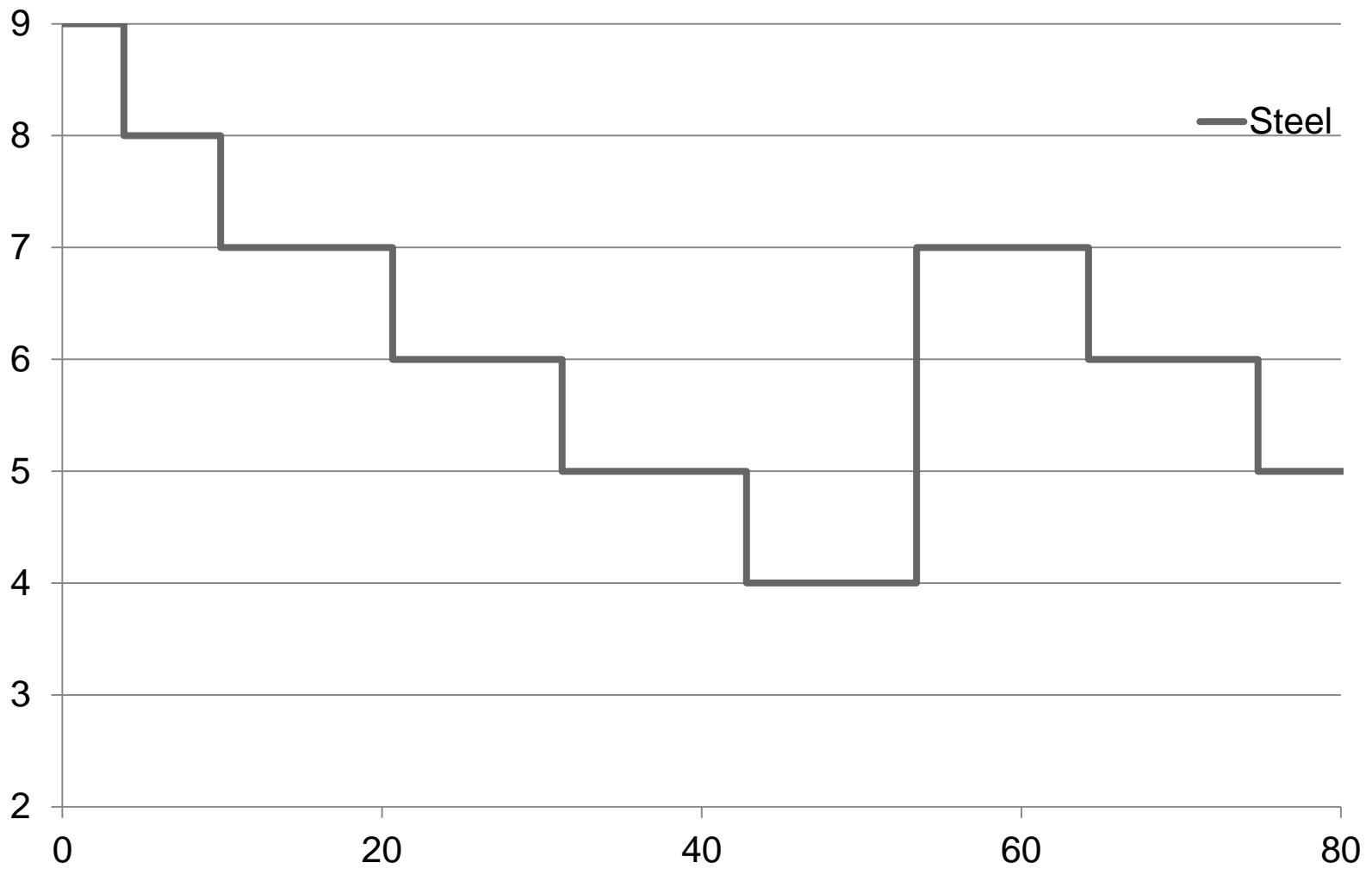


Results

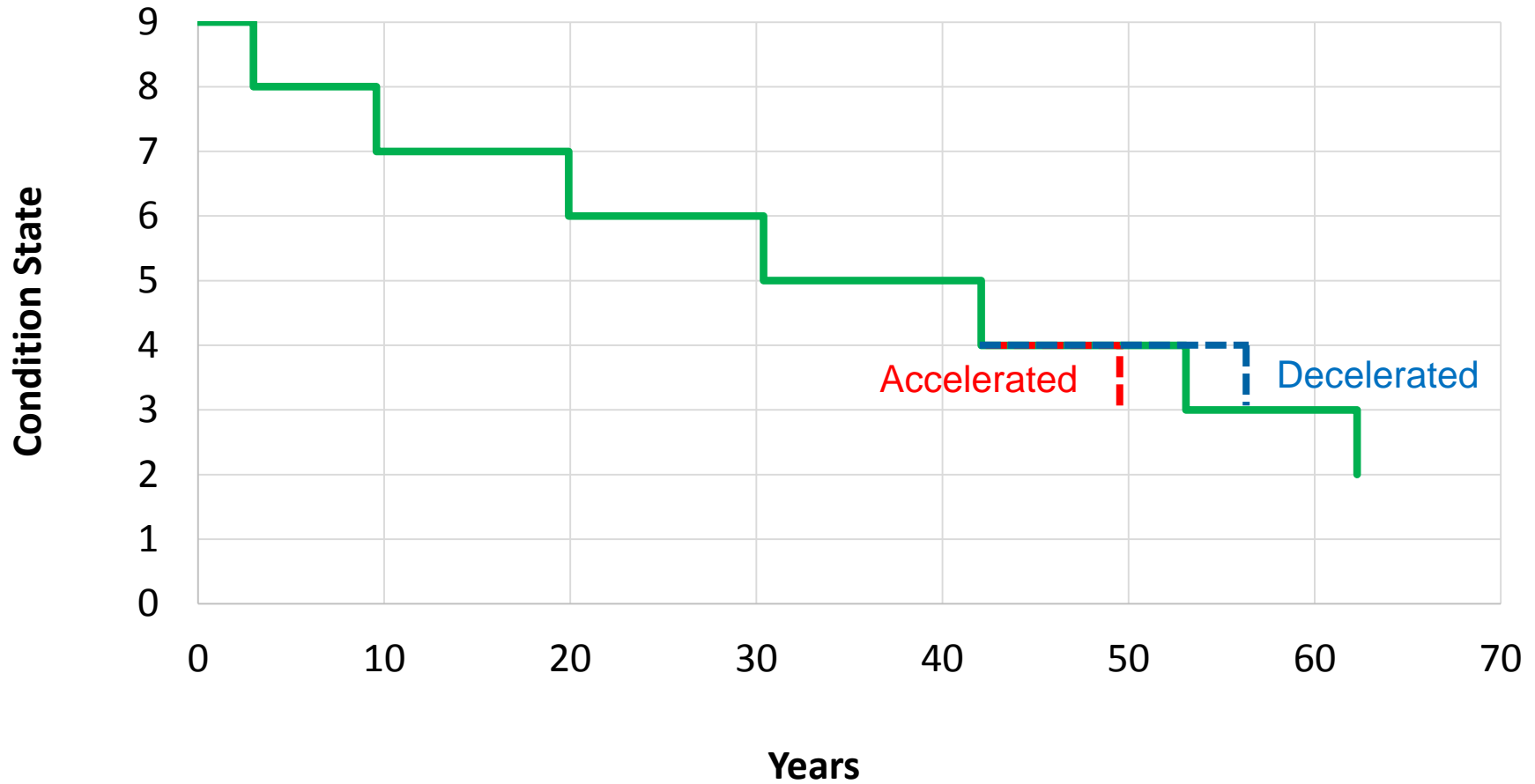
Expected Life to Structural Deficiency without Major Rehabilitation/Reconstruction (yrs) – Numbers are Illustrative				
Category	Deck	Superstructure	Substructure	Wearing Surface
Overall	36	39	36	23
Concrete	41	41	39	23
Steel	32	36	33	22
P/S	32	37	36	24
Rural	36	40	37	23
Urban	34	39	36	24
BPN 1	30	34	32	22
BPN 2	33	38	36	22
BPN 3	36	41	37	23
BPN 4	36	40	37	24
ADT < 1000	37	40	37	24
1000 < ADT < 5000	37	42	38	22
5000 < ADT < 15000	35	39	36	23
ADT > 15000	31	36	33	23
Pre 1919	37	42	36	23
1918 - 1931	38	40	35	22
1931 - 1944	37	37	33	22
1947 - 1979	32	35	35	22
1983 - 2000	37	36	36	29
Span Length < 40	39	41	38	23
40 < Span Length < 80	33	38	36	23
80 < Span Length < 100	32	36	35	23
100 < Span Length < 150	30	34	32	23
Span Length > 150	33	36	32	23



Illustrative Substructure Curves

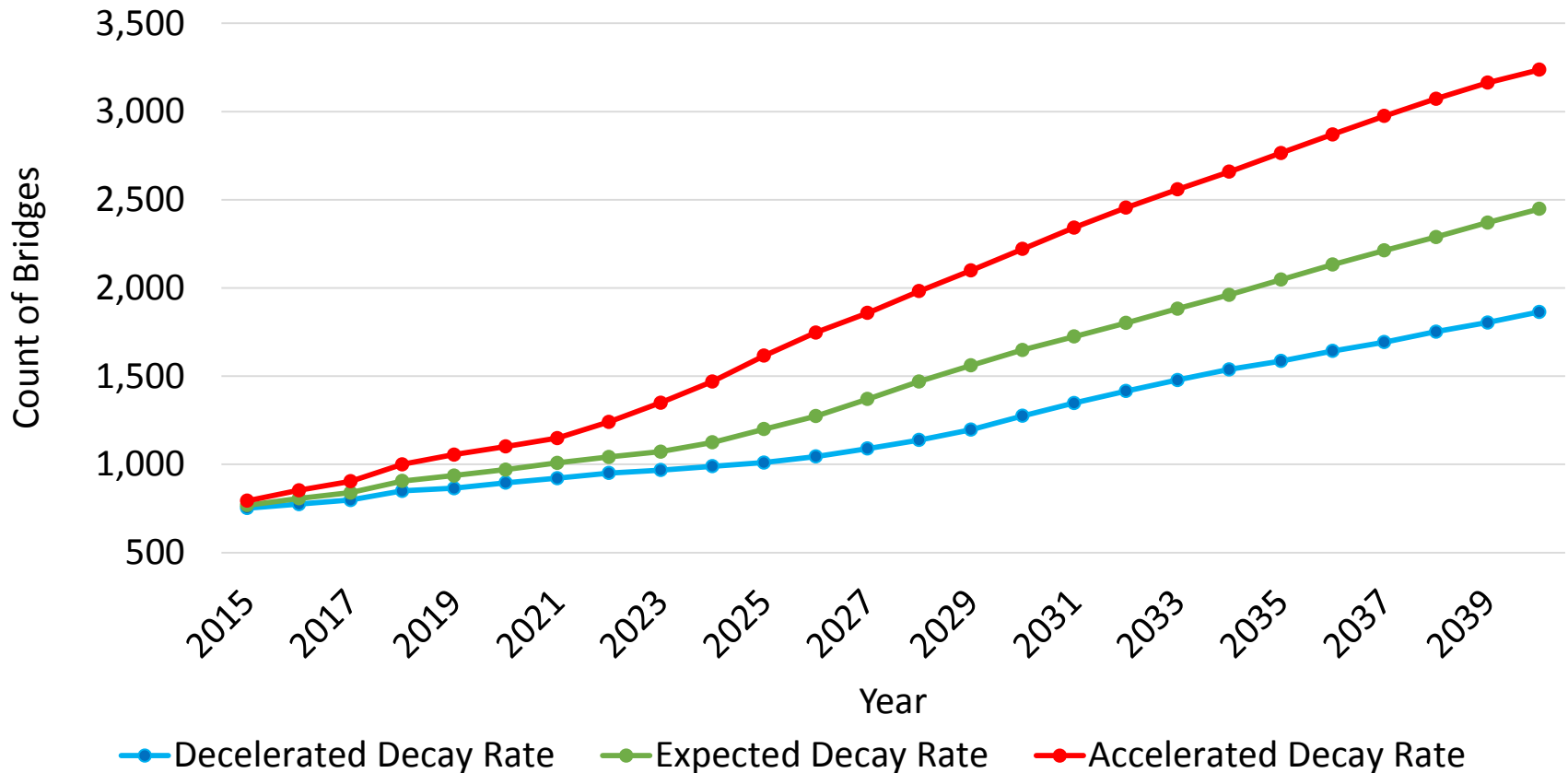


Incorporating Risk...



Risk-based Decision Making

Projection of Structurally Deficient Bridges based on three Deterioration Scenarios (Illustrative Figure)



Summary

- ✓ Current method can be used by any transportation agency that collects bridge condition data
- ✓ Easily repeatable and the results can be easily updated with new inspection data
- ✓ Incorporates deterioration uncertainties with standard deviations
- ✓ Agencies are able to define multiple forecasting and financial planning scenarios to consider risk



Questions



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