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Purpose Statement

This webinar will facilitate proactive considerations to changes in pavement loading due to advancements in truck technology. These advancements impact current pavement design methods for durable and resilient pavements in the future.

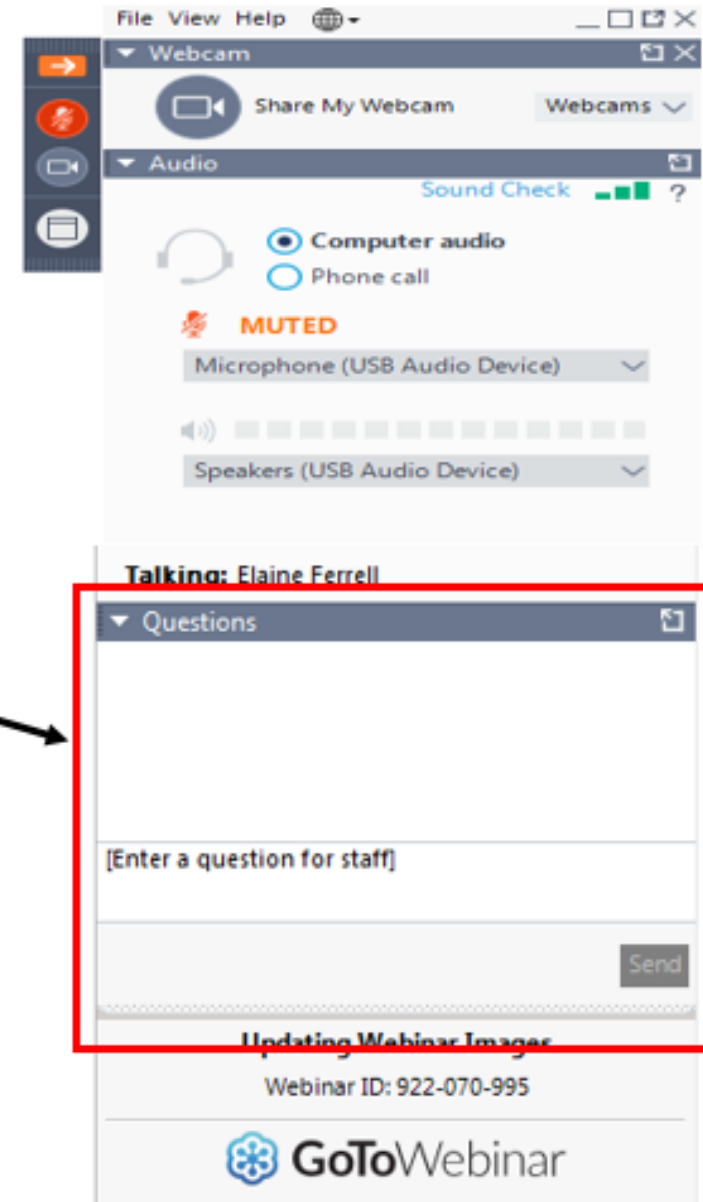
Learning Objectives

At the end of this webinar, you will be able to:

- (1) Speak to the impacts that emerging truck technologies have on highway pavement loading such as weight and frequency
- (2) Identify considerations in pavement design methods and rehabilitation strategies due to anticipated changes in highway loading

Questions and Answers

- Please type your questions into your webinar control panel
- We will read your questions out loud, and answer as many as time allows



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Design and testing of pavements with integrated charging systems for electric vehicles

Recent studies in France



**Université
Gustave Eiffel**

Introduction

To limit global warming France's objective is to be carbon neutral by 2050.
For transport, this means **complete decarbonization of land transport by 2050.**

In France, the sector of transport is responsible for **31 % of CO₂ emissions**

94 % of transport emissions come from road transport




Therefore to reduce CO₂ emissions, it is **vital to decarbonize road transport**

For **heavy-duty vehicles (HGVs)**, solutions for decarbonization are biofuels, battery electric, hydrogen or **Electric Road Systems (ERS).**

ERS consist in supplying electricity continuously to vehicles on the road, to improve the range of the vehicles without the need of very heavy and expensive batteries

→ **Impact of these new ERS technologies on pavements ?**

Electric Road technologies

3 ERS technologies		Advantages	Limitations
Conductive charging by catenaries		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - High charging power - Compatible with different pantographs - Large experience in the rail sector - No impact on pavements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Non interoperable - Risk of fall of cables - Need of regular cable maintenance - Visual impact
Conductive charging by rails		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - High charging power - Interoperable between different vehicle types - No visual impact 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Less mature technology - Road safety - Robustness of the current collector - Rail cleaning and Winter maintenance - Impact on pavement durability
Inductive charging		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Interoperability - Electrical safety - Low maintenance cost - No visual impact 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lower charging power - Electromagnetic field exposure - Distance and alignment between primary and secondary coils - Heat dissipation - Impact on pavement durability

Next important challenge : demonstrating feasibility of road deployment

- Choice of solutions for road integration
- **Design/modelling of these solutions and validation**

Road construction method



Effects of temperature and water



Resistance to traffic



Maintenance



Winter Maintenance





**Modelling and design of inductive solutions
INCIT-EV Project**

Road integration of inductive charging systems

Main integration challenges :

- Material selection for ensuring protection of the charging system and electromagnetic compatibility (no metal)
- Resistance to traffic loads with systems embedded at low depth
- Heat losses of the charging system – Impact on pavement materials
- Resistance to temperature variations

Need to develop new Models for :

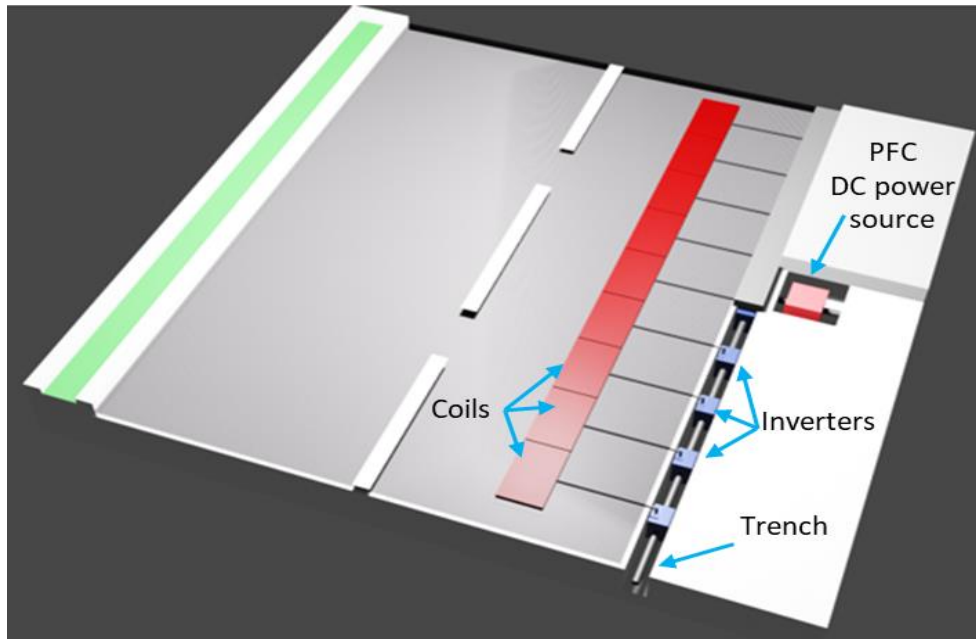
Mechanical behaviour under traffic loads

Thermal behaviour : heat dissipation in the inductive coils

Different modelling approach from classical pavements, due to embedded charging systems → **Finite element modelling**

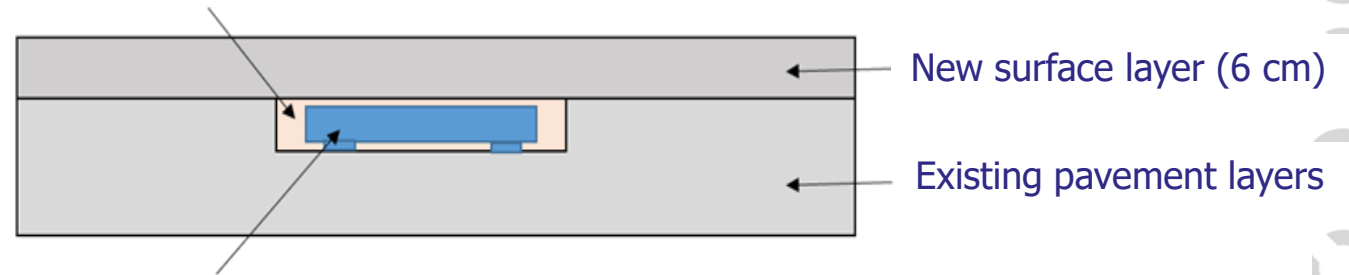
INCIT-EV Project - development of inductive charging demonstrator

System layout



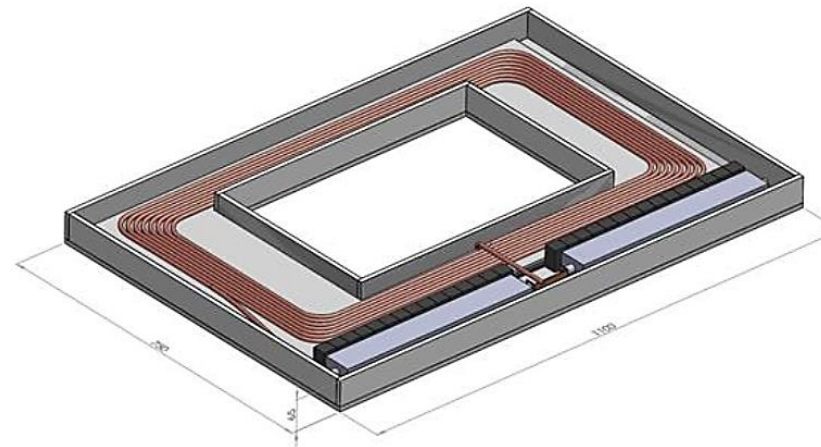
Solution for pavement integration

Trench + sealing resin → importance of good bonding



Block containing the inductive coils

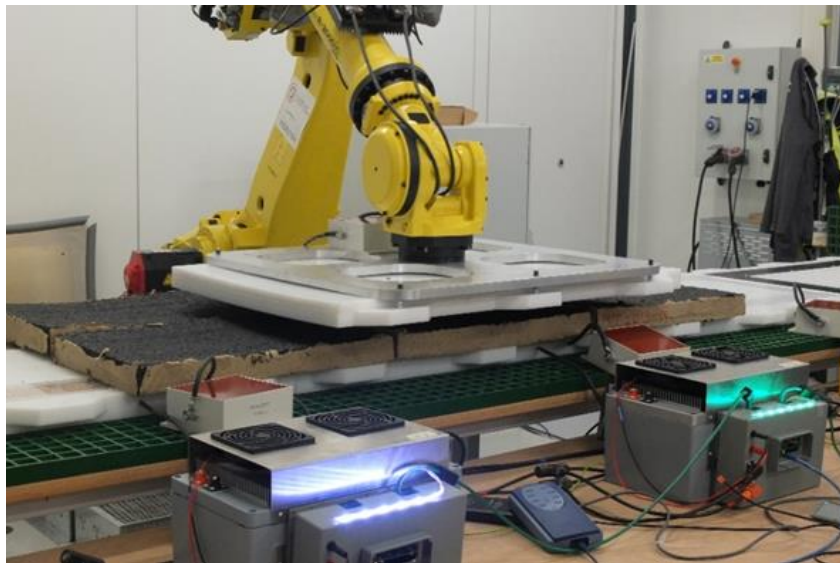
Coil block



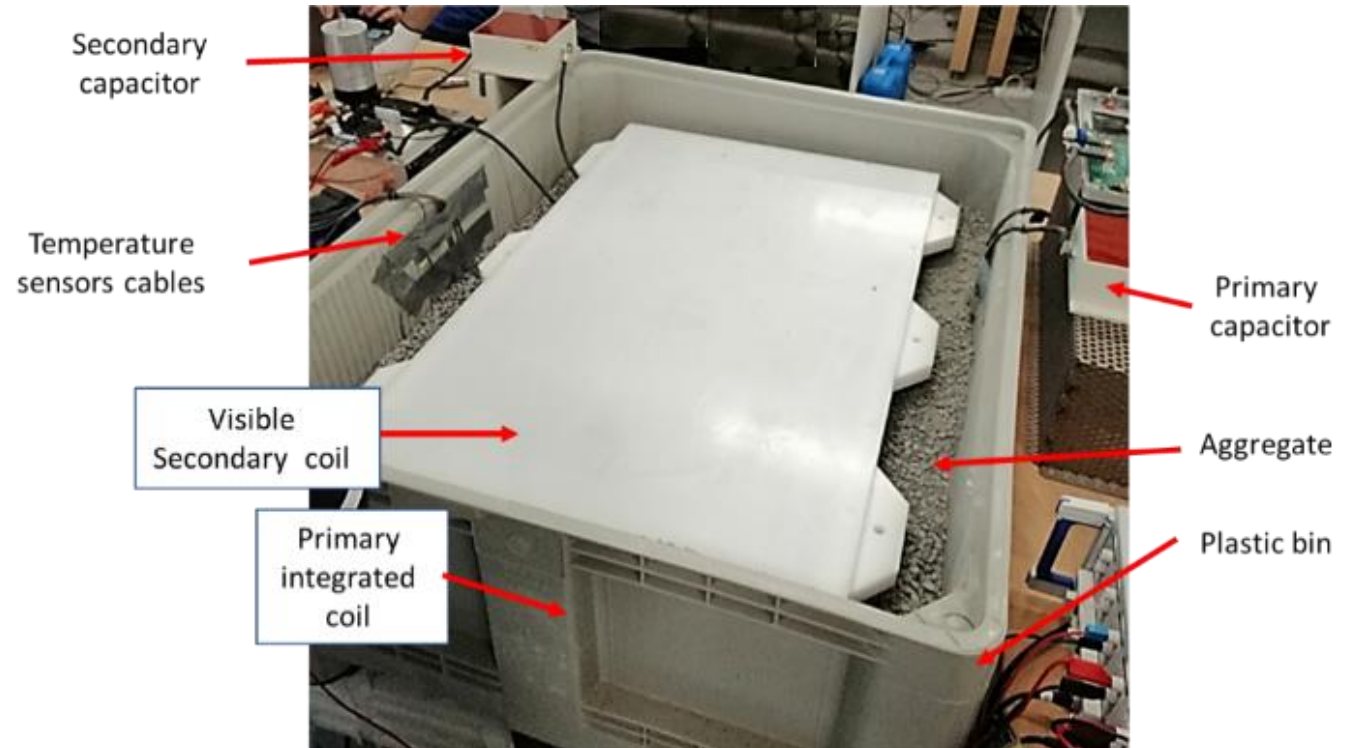
Laboratory testing of the charging system

⇒ **Need to develop specific tests to determine the performance of the charging system in the road**

Testing of charging efficiency
With coils embedded in asphalt material



Measurement of heat losses during charging
with coils embedded in granular material



⇒ **Optimisation of charging system**

Laboratory testing of solution for road integration

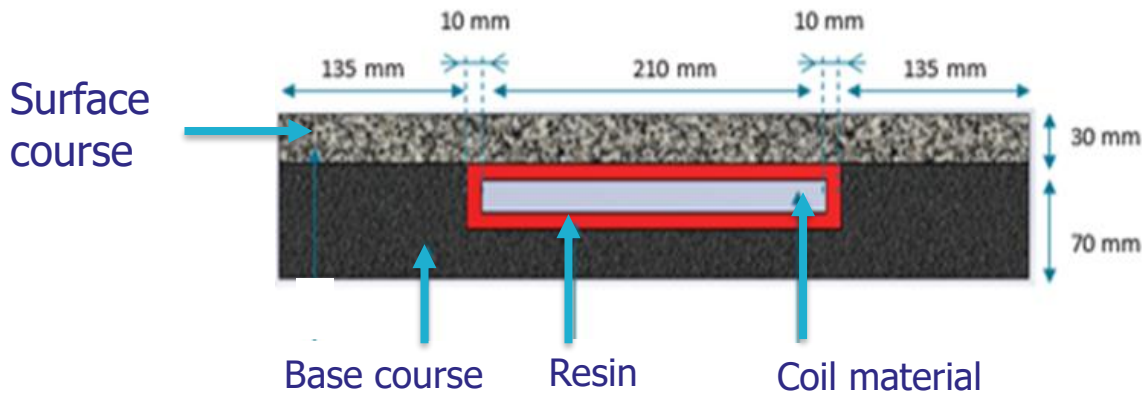
Wheel tracking tests on small scale specimens with embedded coil blocks

Wheel tracking test at 60 °C

Study of rutting resistance under 30000 load cycles

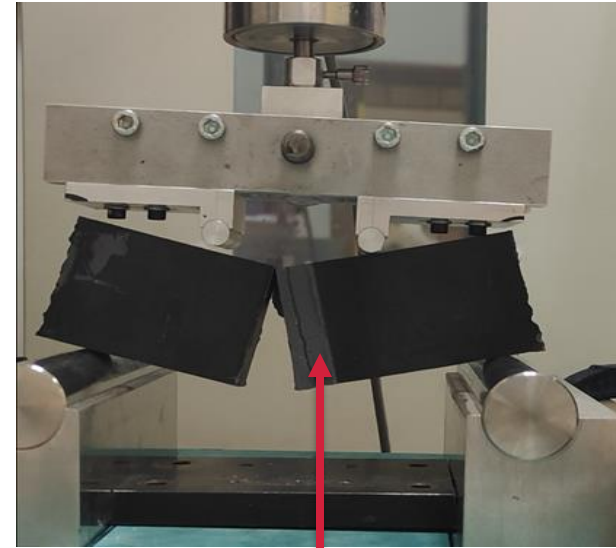


Specimen geometry



Testing of bonding between coil block and sealing resin

4 point bending tests



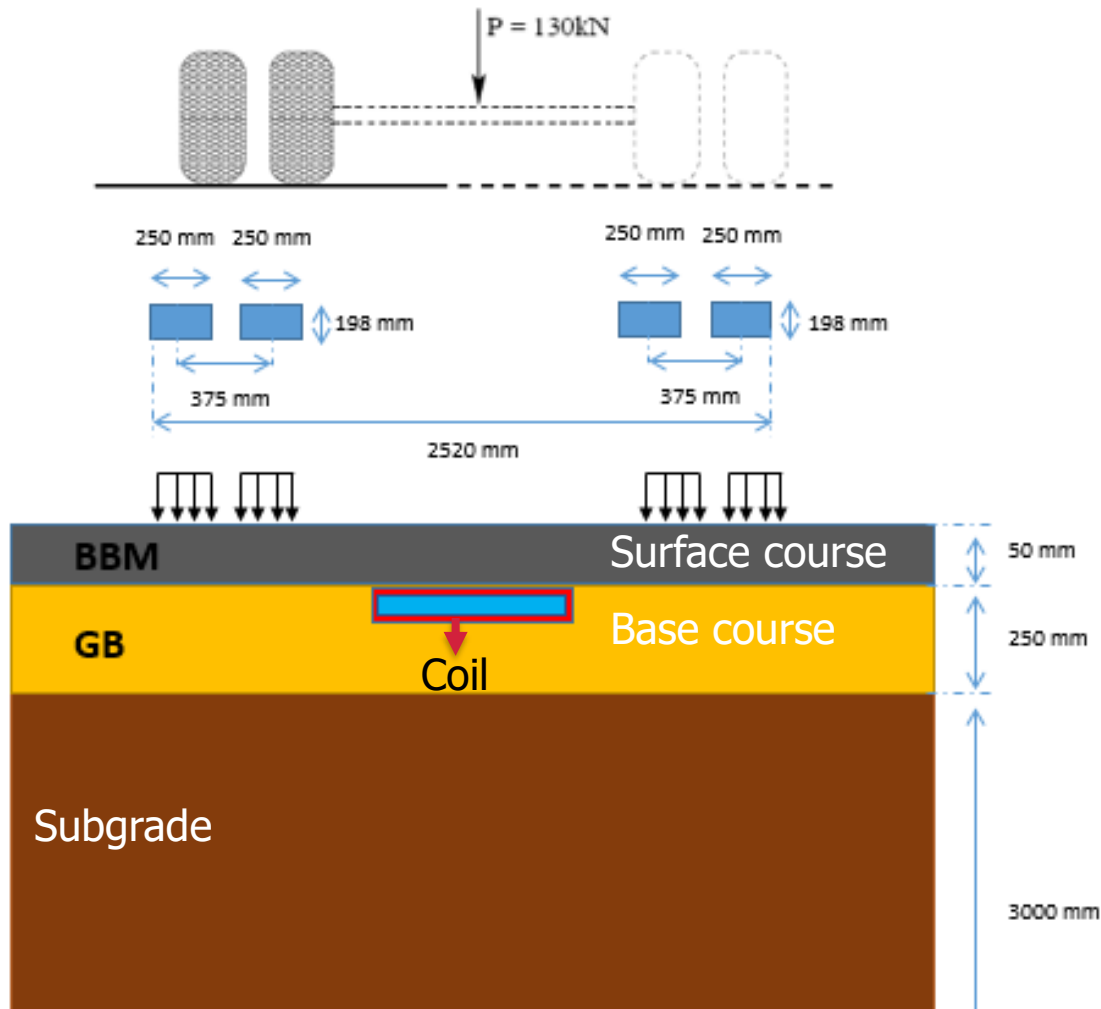
Resin

⇒ Selection of suitable coil materials and sealing resins

Modelling of mechanical behaviour

Finite element calculations (in 3D)

Pavement structure and loading



Material characteristics (linear elastic, at 15 °C)

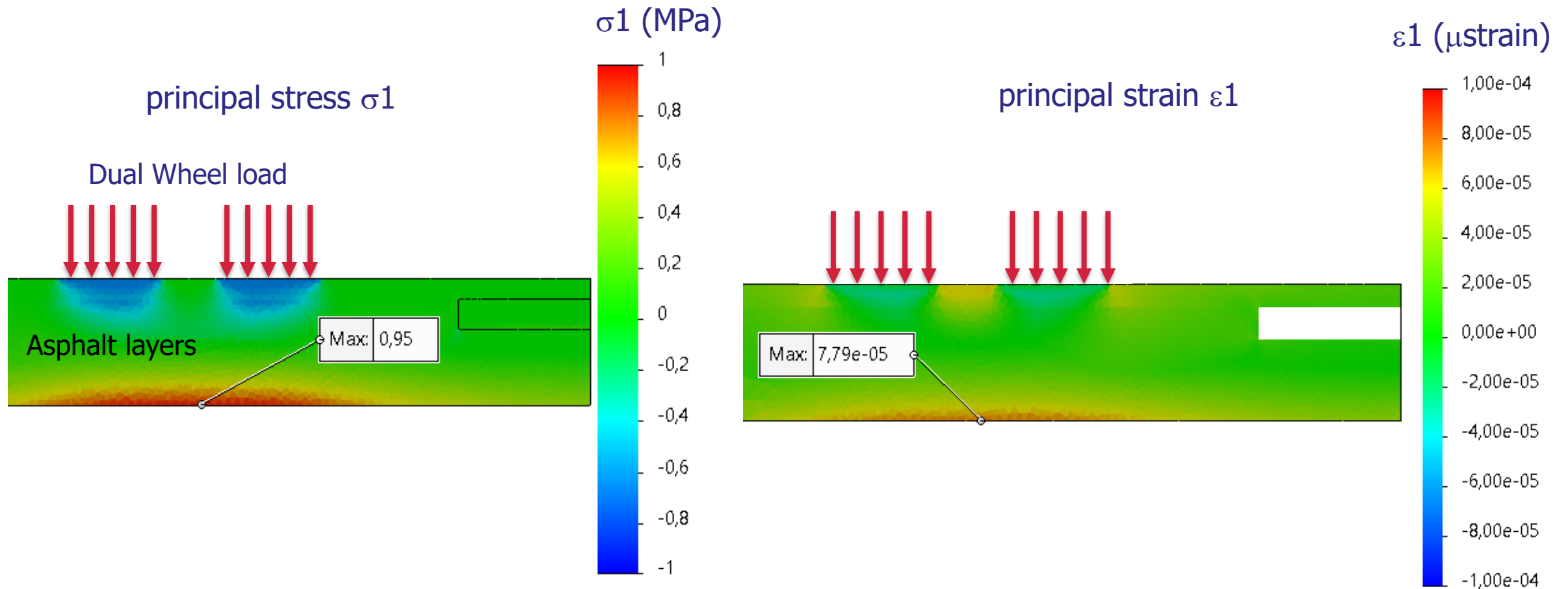
Material	E (MPa)	ν	ρ (kg/m ³)
Resin 1	500 MPa	0.45	1830
Resin 2	5660 MPa		
Coil block (PUR)	2300 MPa	0.40	950
BBM	5400 MPa	0.35	2350
GB	9300 MPa	0.35	2350
Sol PF2	50 MPa	0.35	2000

⇒ **Calculation of critical stresses and strains** under heavy vehicle axle loads for 3 different load positions

Modelling of mechanical behaviour

Stresses and strains in Electric Road System under wheel loading

Position 1 – coil in the middle of the wheel path

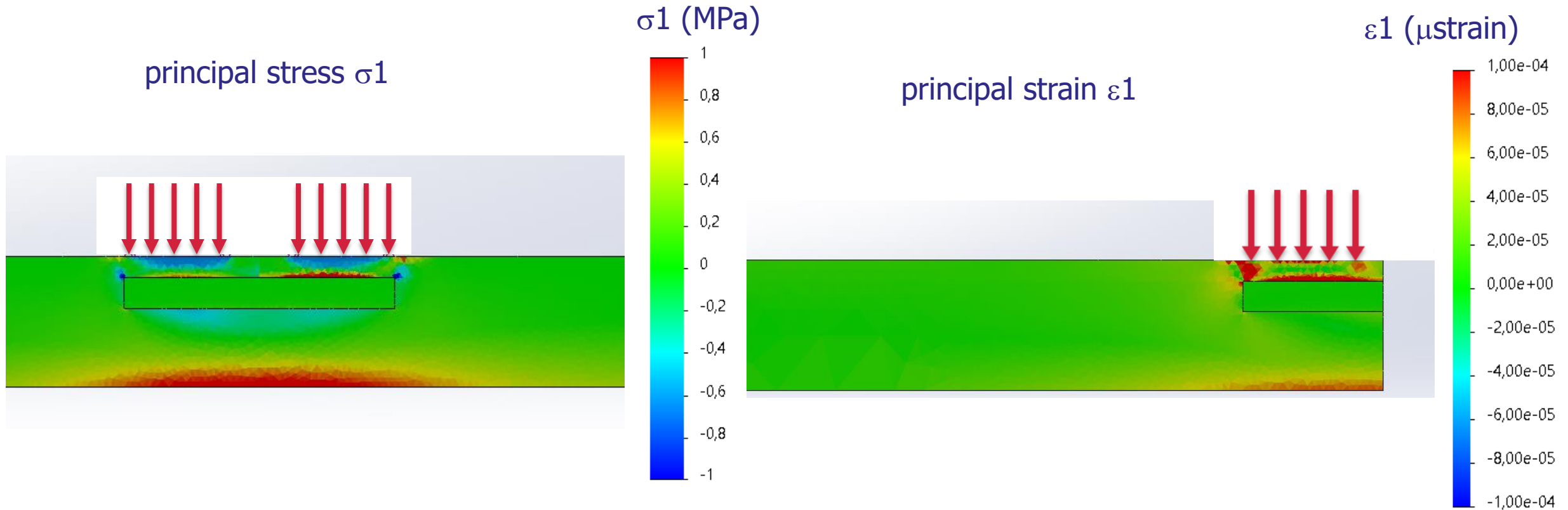


Position 1 : No significant stresses and strains applied on the coils

Modelling of mechanical behaviour

Stresses and strains in Electric Road System under wheel loading

Position 3 – wheels centered on the coil



Position 3 : Significant tensile stresses and strains above the coils
Possible risk of cracking or debonding

Modelling of mechanical behaviour

Maximum stresses and strains for different wheel positions

Position 1 – coil in the middle of the wheel path

Position 2 – wheels at the edge of the coil

Position 3 – wheels centered on the coil → Critical position

Critical stresses and strains with resin 1

Loading case	Position 1	Position 2	Position 3
σ_1 : Max principal tensile stress in AC (MPa)	0.954	1.03	2.85
ϵ_z : maximum vertical strain in subgrade (μ strains)	-287	-313	-349
ϵ_1 : maximum extension strain in AC (μ strains)*	80.0	130	865

Critical stresses and strains with resin 2

Position 1	Position 2	Position 3
0.95	0.95	1.01
-274	-280	-301
77	77	80

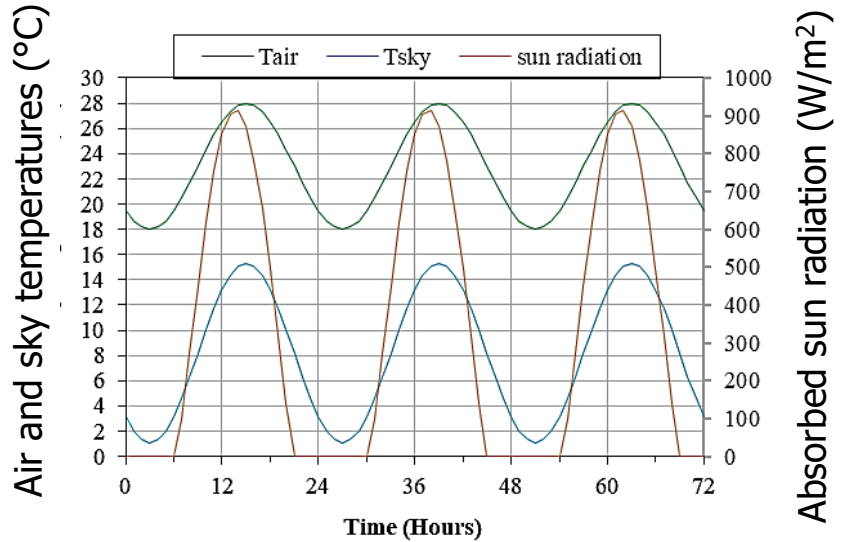
Values in red \Rightarrow Risk of failure due to high stress or strain levels

Simplified approach, based on elastic calculations, with classical pavement fatigue failure criteria

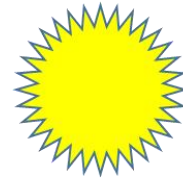
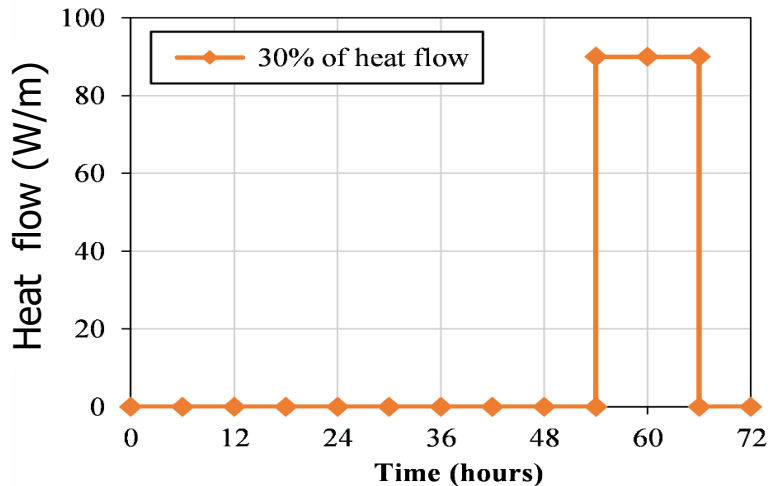
Need to define more appropriate failure criteria for ERS components

Modelling of thermal behaviour- 2D finite element calculations

Air temperature and sun radiation
(daily variations – summer conditions)

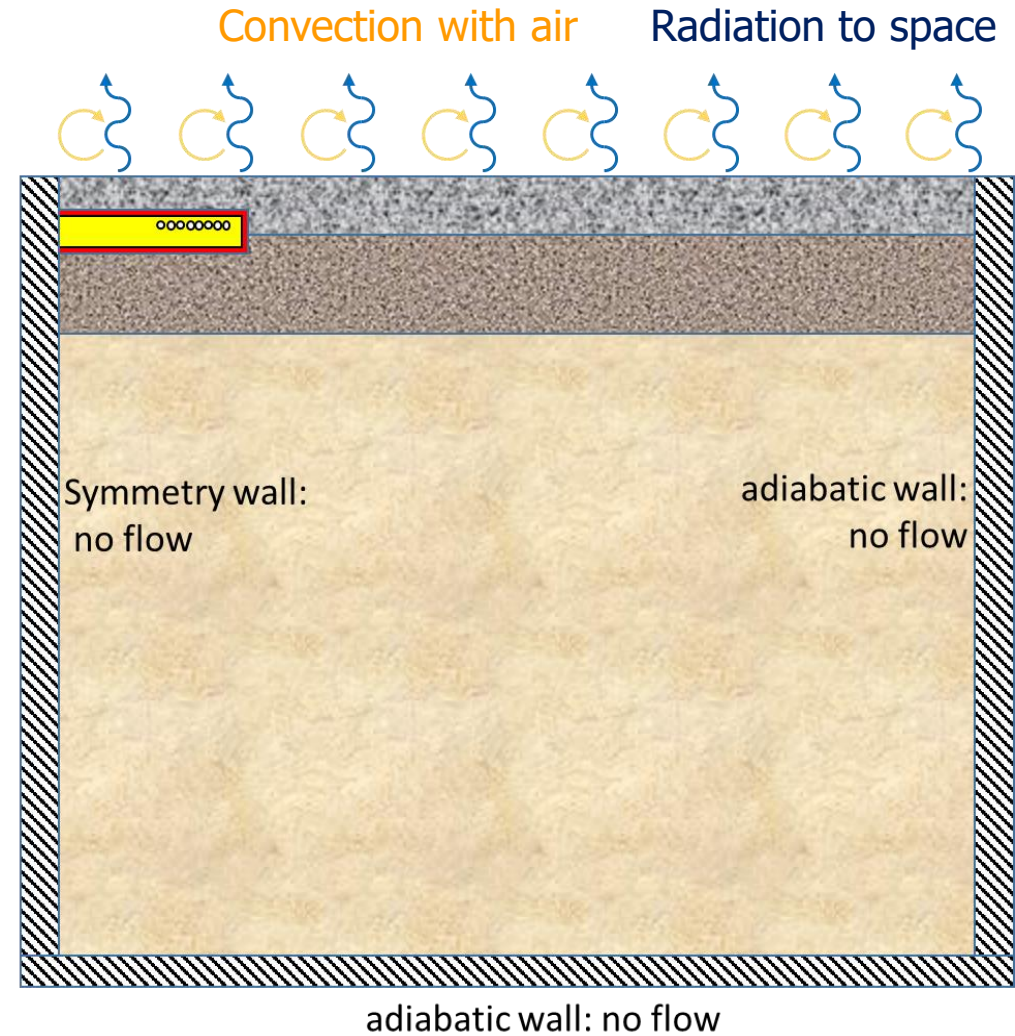


Heat loss in charging system



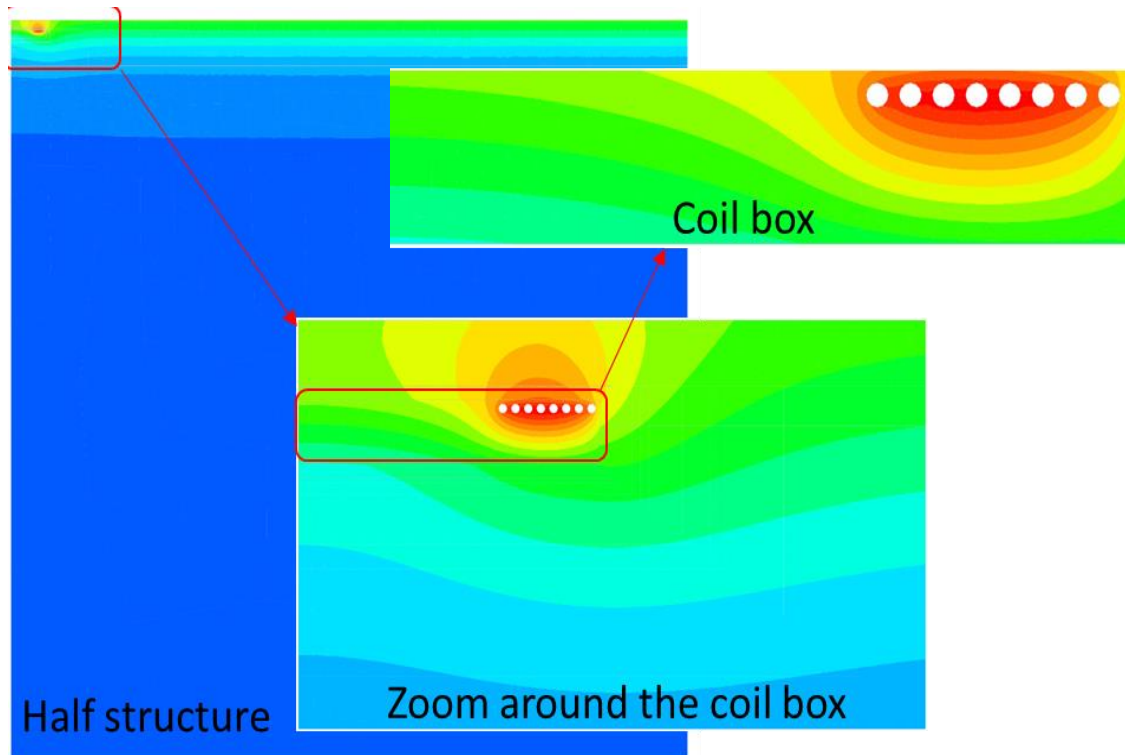
! Sun radiation

Modelling hypotheses



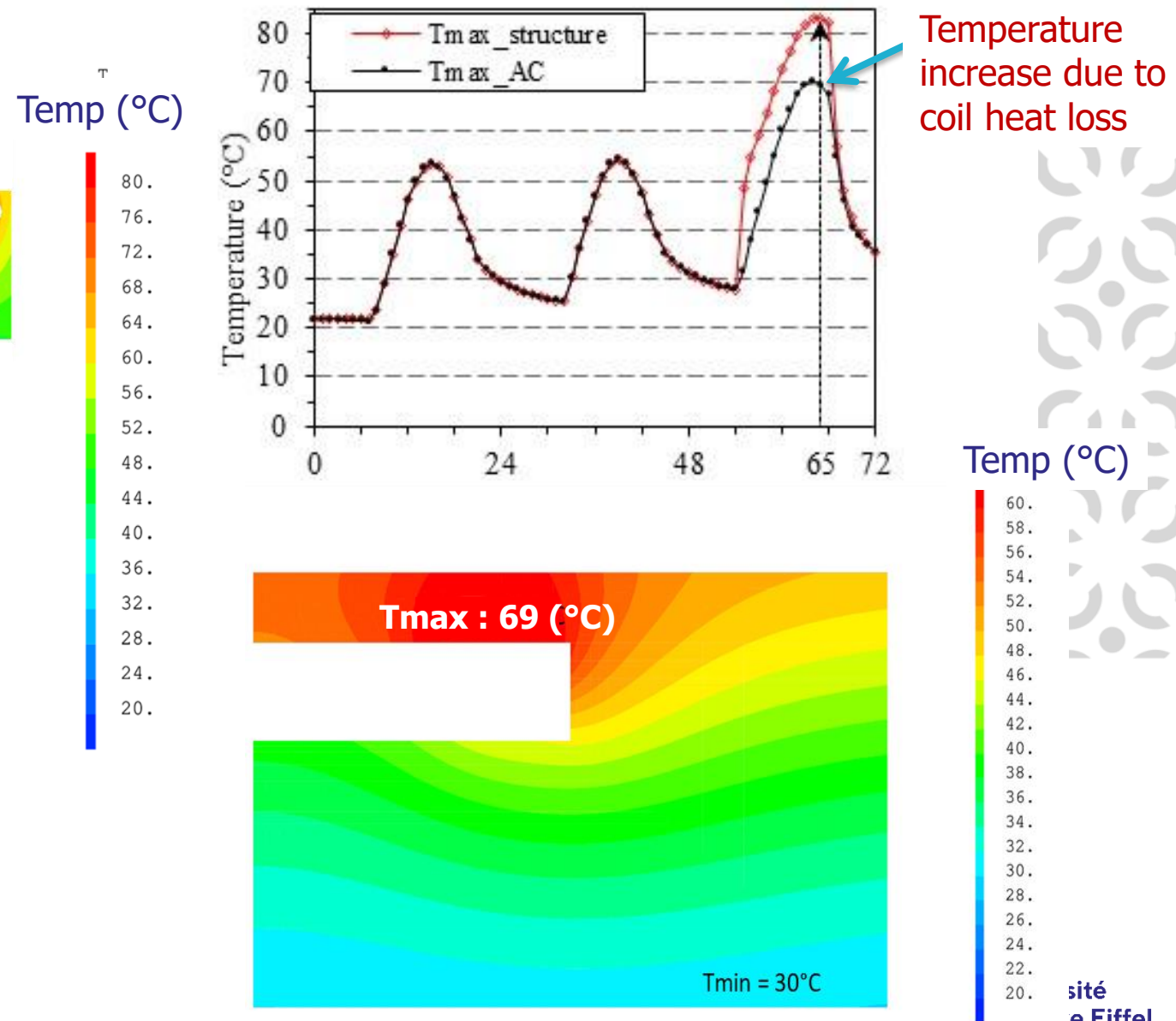
Modelling of thermal behaviour

Maximum calculated temperatures
(summer conditions)



Temperature increase of about 15 °C due to heat losses in the inductive coils

Daily maximum temperatures in coil and asphalt concrete



Conclusions :

Need to develop specific tests and models to design and evaluate Electric Road systems

Testing :

- Need to select suitable materials for the protection of the coils
- Need to evaluate both mechanical and thermal behaviour
- Importance of interfaces and thermal expansion properties
- Need of tests at different scales (material properties, small scale prototypes, full scale prototypes)

Modelling :

- Need to model mechanical and thermal behaviour
- Difficulty to define appropriate failure criteria, especially for cyclic loading
- Validation of models by appropriate tests is essential

Electric Road systems represent a new research field for road engineers, with lots of challenges to achieve efficient, durable and cost-effective charging solutions !



**Accelerated pavement testing
Charge as you Drive project**

Project Charge as You Drive (CAYD) (2023 – 2026)

Partners : Vinci, Université Gustave Eiffel, Electreon, Elonroad, Hutchinson

Development of inductive ERS demonstrator (Electreon System)

Challenges

- Demonstrate charging **in real conditions on a motorway**, with 3 categories of vehicles : heavy truck, bus and light utility vehicle
- High speed operation (90 km/h)
- High charging power : 200 kW

2023 – 2024 : Laboratory testing of components and inductive coils design improvements

Large APT test on the Nantes accelerated pavement testing facility

Modelling of mechanical behaviour under traffic loading

2025 : Planned construction of 1.5 km long demonstrator of **inductive solution** on motorway A10 near Paris

CAYD project – Accelerated pavement testing on inductive ERS

Need to validate road intergration solution before deployment on a real road

APT facility of Université Gustave Eiffel

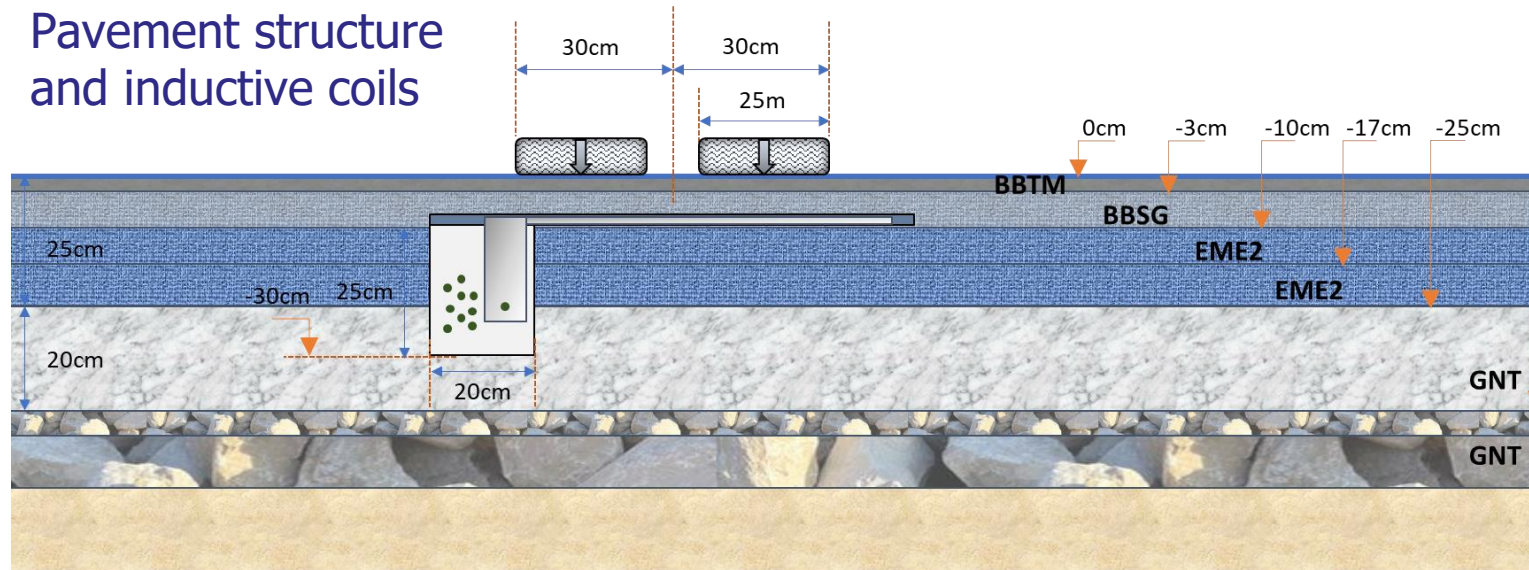


Outdoor circular facility

- 40 m diameter (120 m long track)
- Maximum load per arm : 150 kN
- Maximum loading speed 100 km/h
- Lateral wandering (11 positions)
- Maximum loading capacity
≈ 500 000 loads / month
- 3 test tracks – mobile machine

CAYD project – APT testing of inductive ERS

Pavement structure and inductive coils



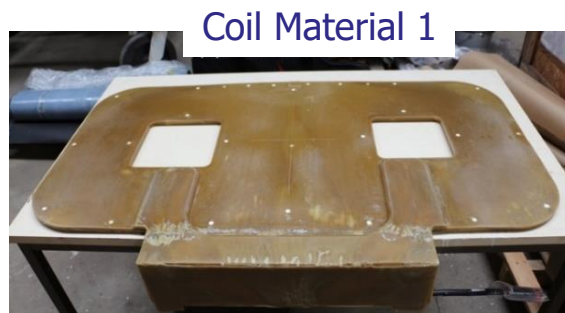
**Motorway asphalt
Pavement structure**

25 cm of asphalt materials
over granular subbase

Coils placed at 10 cm
depth, sealed
with appropriate resin

Testing of 3 coil designs with protective materials of different stiffness

+ 3 bonding solutions : Resins A and B, and bitumen emulsion ⇒ need to ensure good bonding

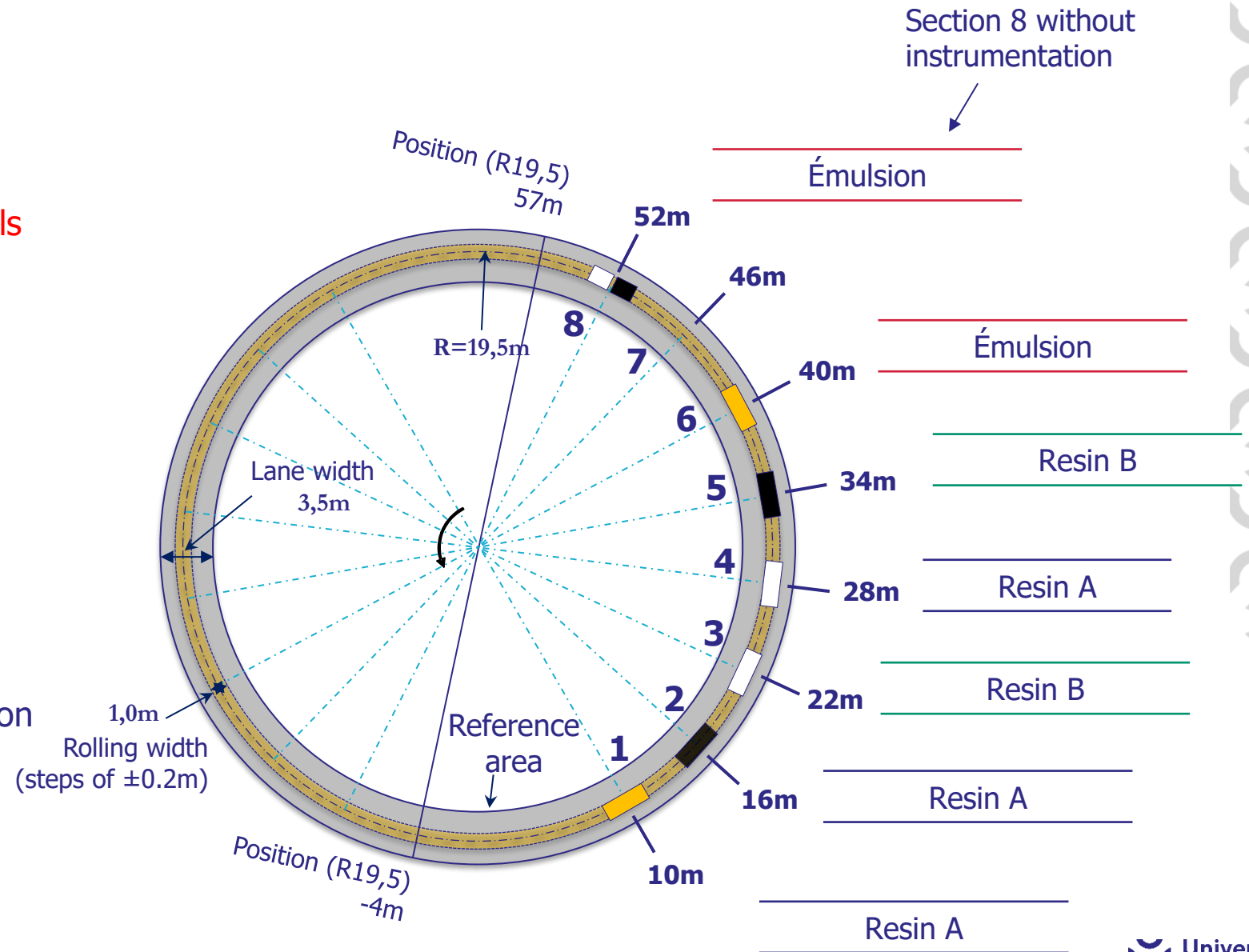


7 test sections

Total pavement length : 62 m

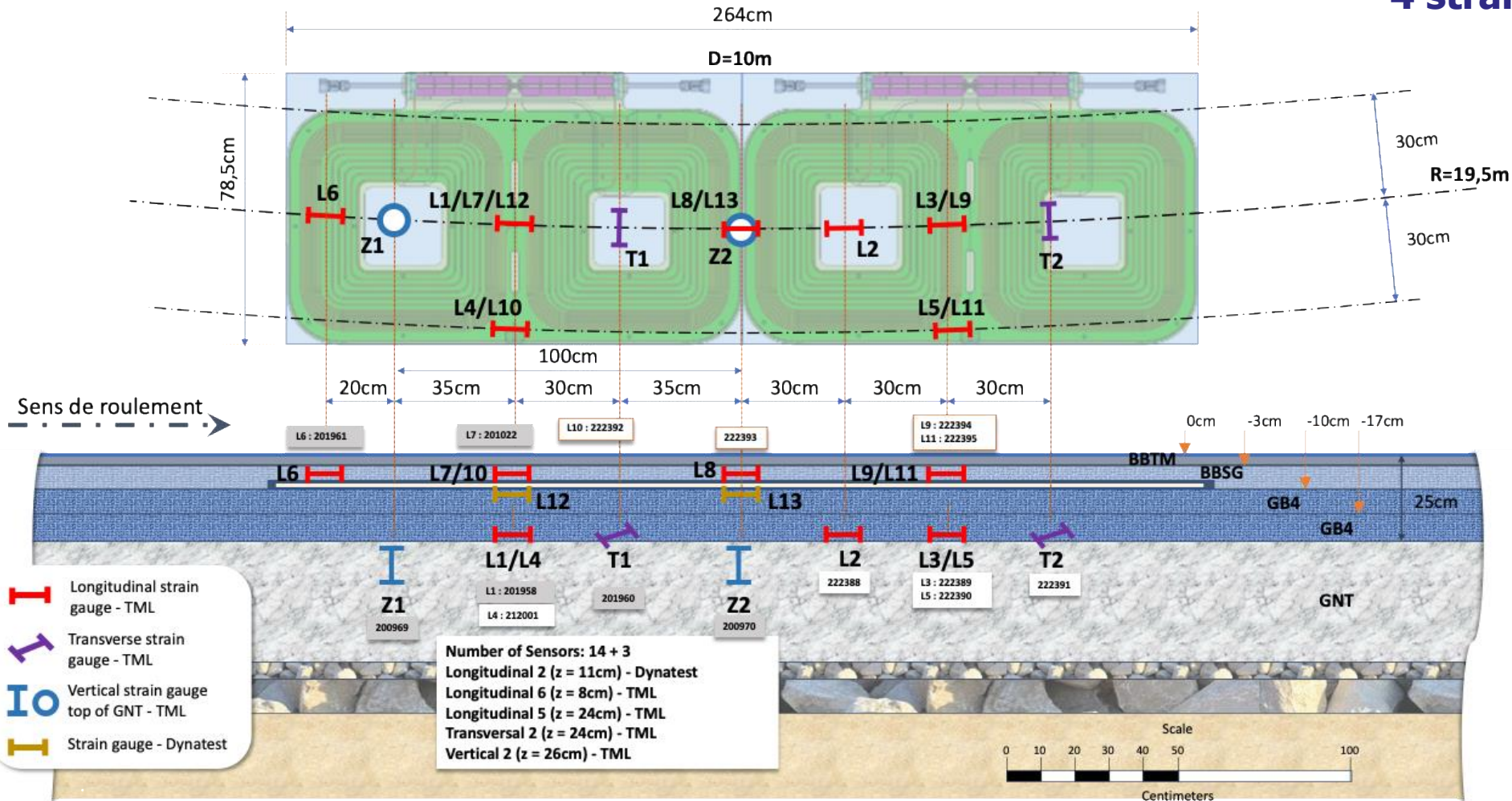
Test sections

- 0** - Reference section without coils
- 1** (10m) – Material 1 – Resin A
- 2** (16m) – Material 2 – Resin A
- 3** (22m) – Material 3 – Resin B
- 4** (28m) – Material 3 – Resin A
- 5** (34m) – Material 2 – Resin B
- 6** (40m) – Material 1 – Emulsion
- 7** (46m) – No Coils
- 8** (52m) – Material 2/Material 3 - Emulsion



Example of Pavement Instrumentation

4 strain measurements levels:



Longitudinal strains above the coils

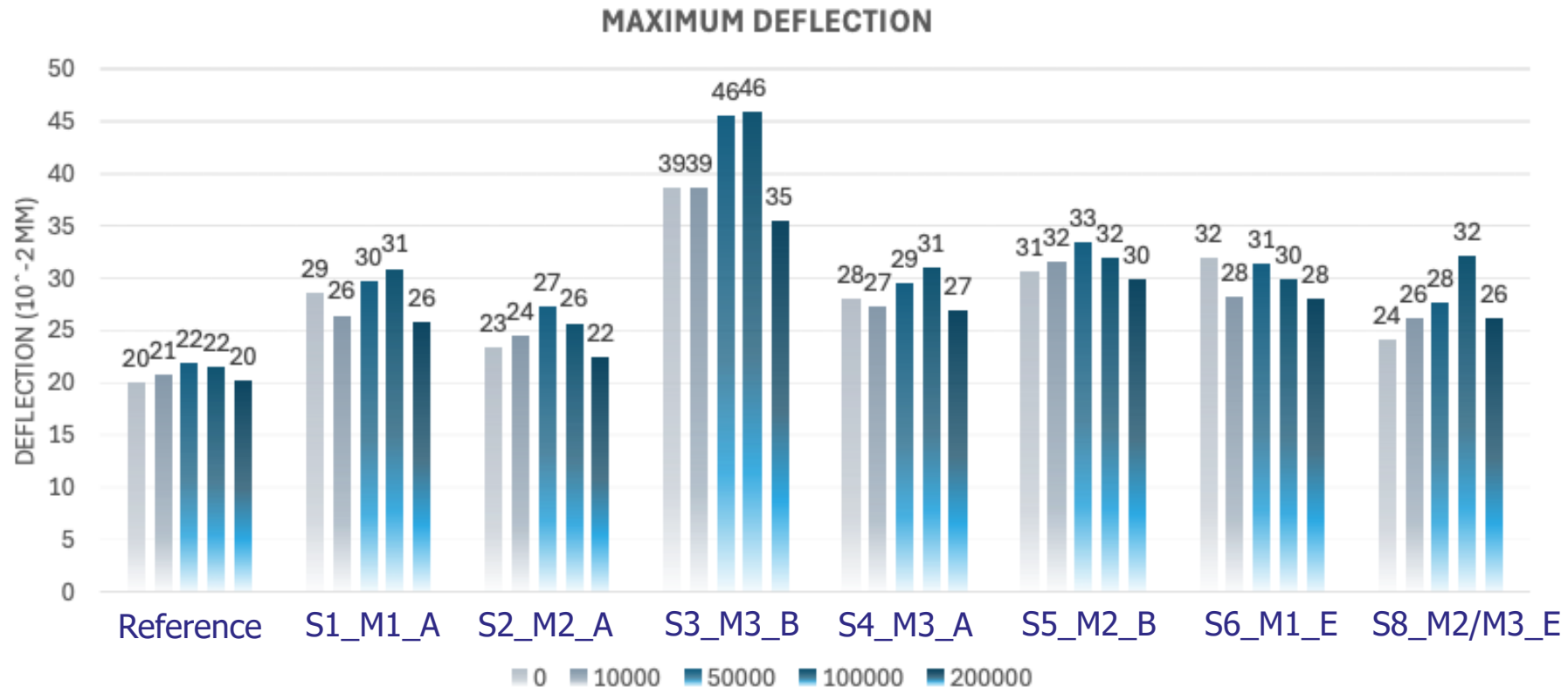
Longitudinal strains below the coils

Longitudinal and Transversal strains at bottom of Asphalt base

Vertical strains in granular layer

Deflection Measurements (FWD) – 65 kN load pulse

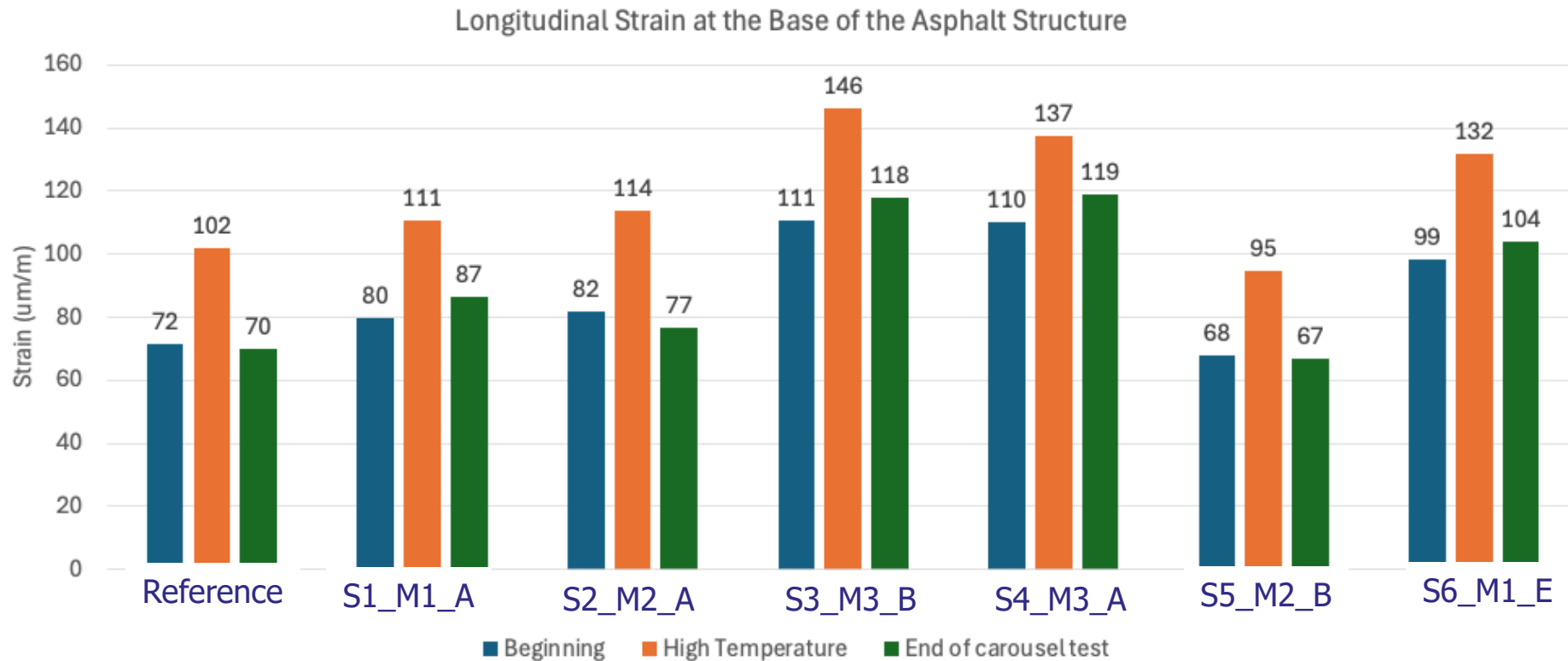
Comparison of maximum deflections (at 20 °C) at different numbers of load cycles



- Deflections increase on all sections with coils
- Deflections are similar on all sections except section 3 with soft protective material which presents higher deflections
- No significant increase of deflections with traffic level ⇒ No significant pavement damage

Strain measurements

Maximum longitudinal tensile strains at the bottom of asphalt base layers in all sections



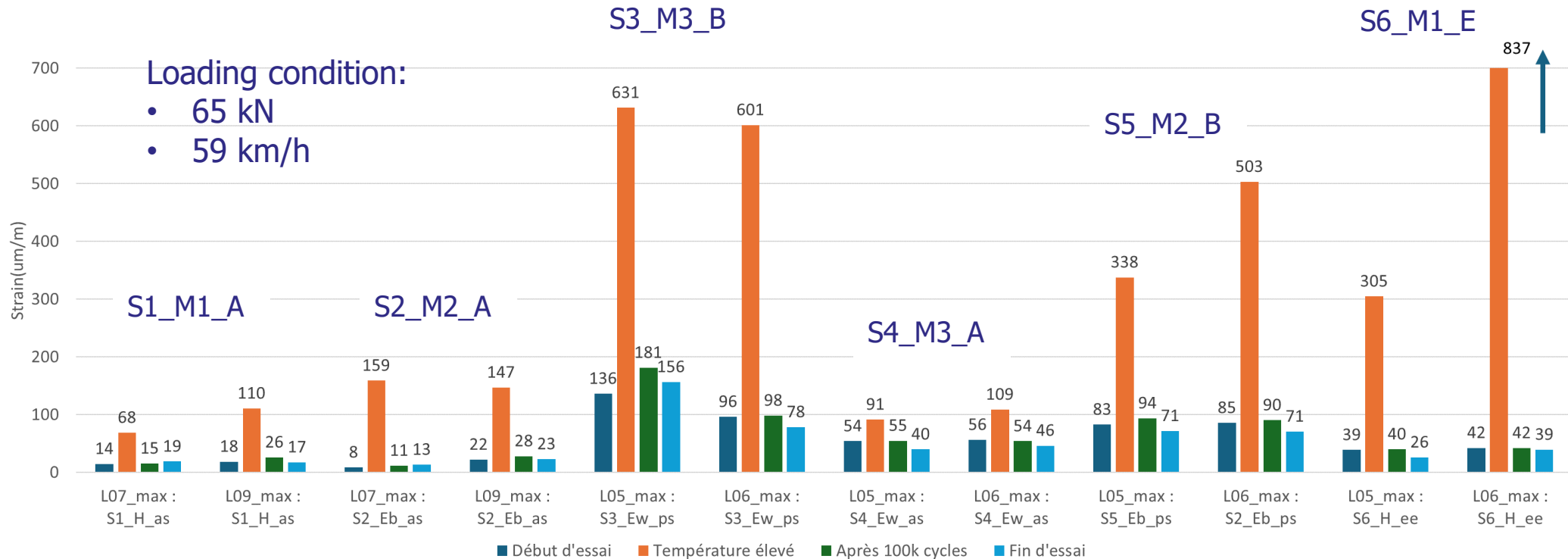
- Significant strain increase at high temperature (48 °C on surface)
- No significant strain evolution with traffic at 25 °C (No damage)
- Higher tensile strains on sections 3, 4 and 6, but no “critical” values

Loading conditions:

- 65 kN
- 59 km/h

Strain measurements

- Maximum longitudinal strains in extension above the coils on all sections



- Very large (critical) strains in extension at high temperature (48 °C on surface) on sections 3, 5, 6 ⇒ poor performance of resin B and emulsion (**probable debonding**)
- The strains above the coils present the largest differences between sections
- No significant strain evolution with traffic at 25 °C

CAYD project – Summary of APT test results

Comparison of the performance of the different sections

Criteria	Reference	S1_M1_A	S2_M2_A	S3_M3_B	S4_M3_A	S5_M2_B	S6_M1_E	S8_M2/M3_E
Permanent Deformation - 200k	5,3	3,8	3,9	5,6	3,3	5,6	8,7	6,8
Deflection - Highest values (~100k)	22	31	27	46	31	33	32	32
E_vertical granular layer - 200k (compressive strain)	172	202	214	269	192	242	240	-
E_long. bottom base - 24 °C - 200k (tensile strain)	67	83	72	108	102	93	96	-
E_long. bottom base - 29 °C (tensile strain)	102	111	114	146	137	141	132	-
E_long. top coil - 24 °C - 200k (tensile strain)	-	18	18	117	43	71	32	-
E_long. top coil - 42 °C (tensile strain)	-	89	153	616	100	420	571	-

- **Most relevant performance criteria : permanent deformation, deflection, and strains above the coils**
- Sections with emulsion present larger permanent deformations
- Sections with resin B and emulsion present large (critical) tensile strains above the coils (debonding ?)
- Resin A provides by far the best bonding
- **Sections S1 and S2 (materials 1 and 2 with resin A) present the best overall performance**

Thank you for your attention

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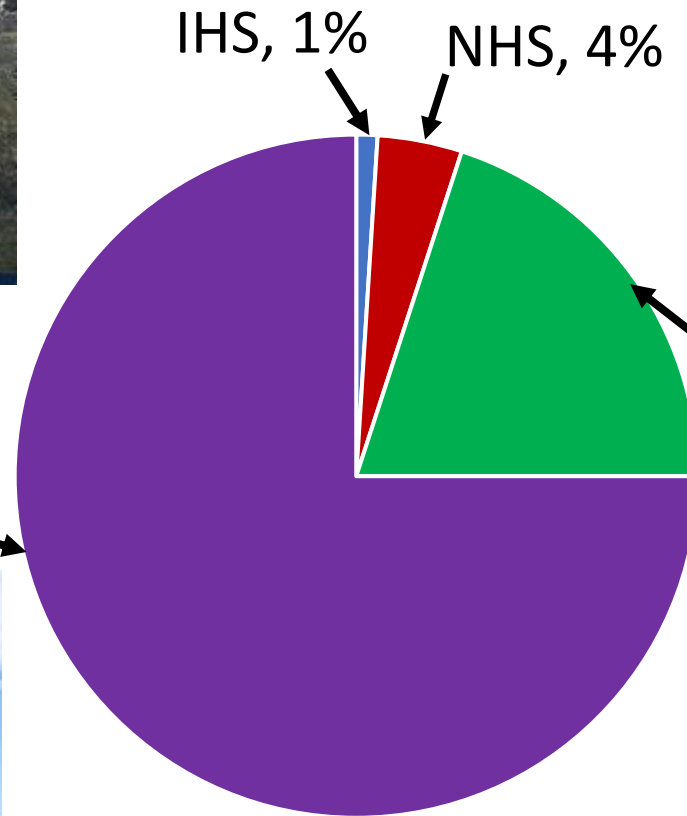
Current Snapshot

Introduction

- The world has approximately 64 million km (40 million miles) of roads
- Approximately 8.3 million km (5.2 million miles) of those roads, ~13%, are in North America
- Approximately 6.6 million km (4.1 million miles) of North American roads, ~80%, are in the United States



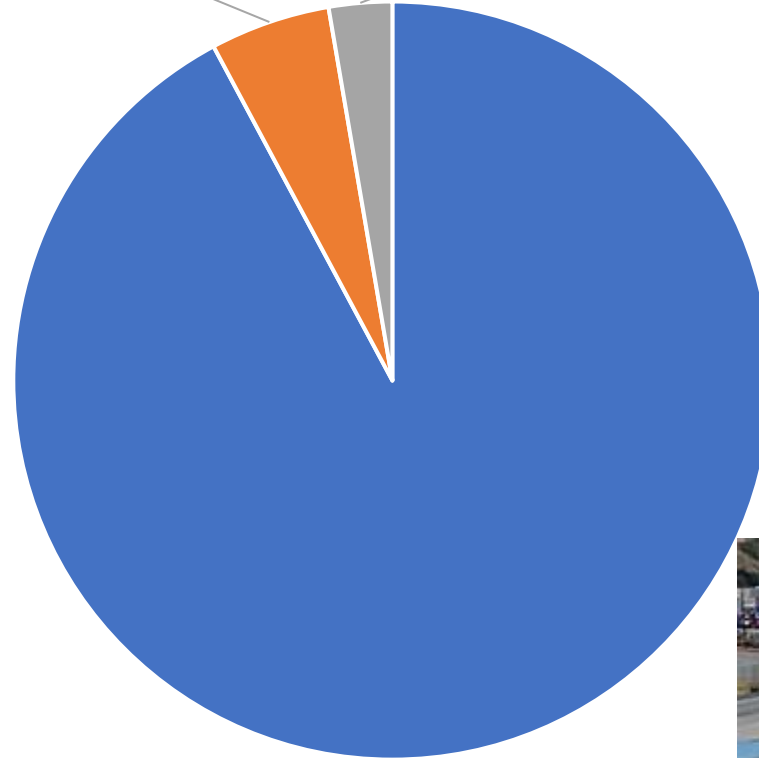
US Road Statistics



US annual freight value, \$13.5 trillion



Train, 5%



Water, 3%



Truck, 92%



Sustainability

Long-term transportation emission objectives

- Gradual transfer from a fossil-based energy source to other renewable sources
- Promotion of alternative modes of transportation that generate less Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions
- Improvement of vehicle and fuel technology

2021 U.S. GHG Emissions by Economic Sector [1]

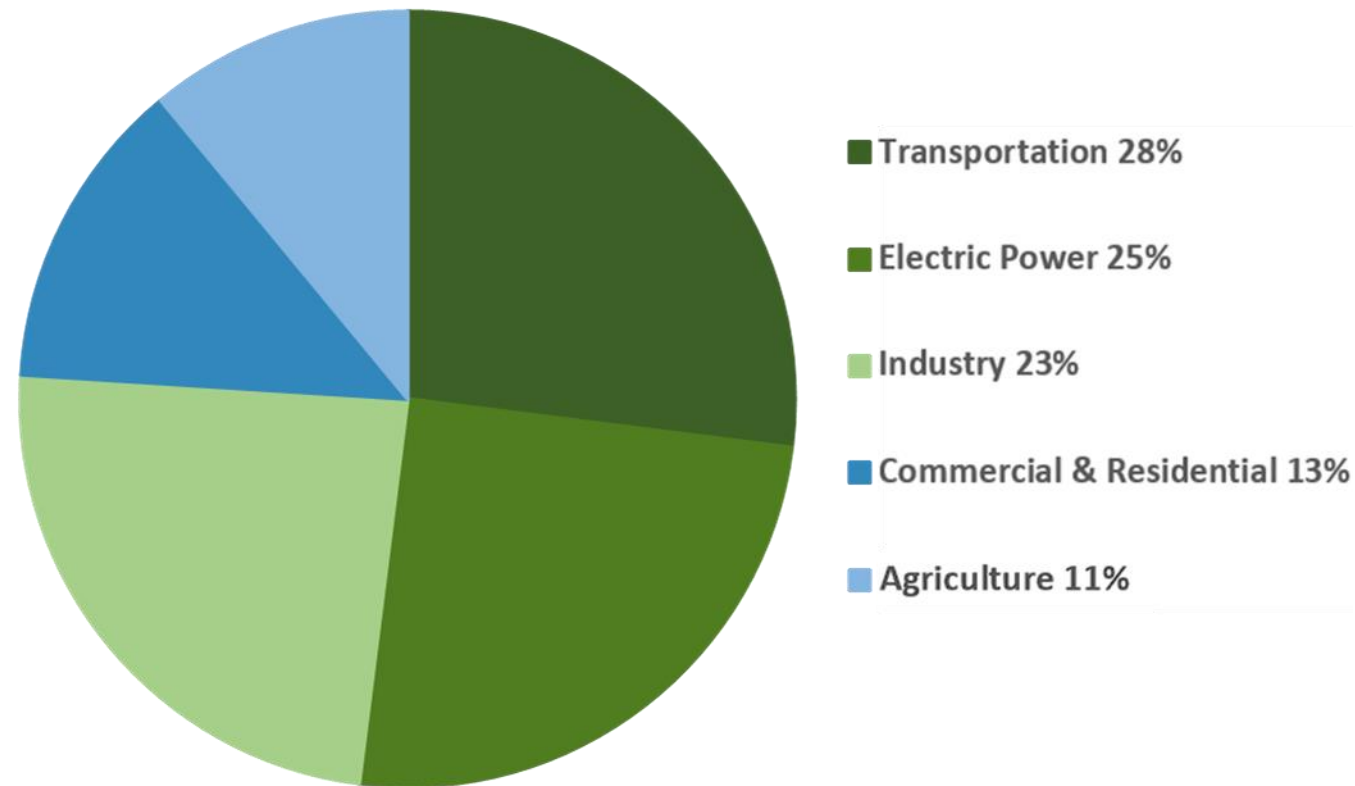


Figure 1. 2021 US GHG emissions by economic sector¹

Electric Vehicles and Sustainability

- EVs can assist in reducing transportation-generated emissions²
- EVs can reduce fuel costs due to the high efficiency of electric-drive components²
- Heavy-Duty Vehicles (HDVs) account for approximately 25% of transportation-related GHG emissions, despite making up a small fraction (6%) of the total vehicle fleet²
- De-fossilizing HDVs can reduce CO2 emissions as they emit approximately 60% less GHG than diesel-powered fleet³



Heavy Duty EV Opportunities



HDEVs require significantly larger batteries than light-duty vehicles to support long distances and high energy demands



Larger batteries add significant weight to HDEVs, leading to higher road stresses, increased wear on infrastructure, and reduced payload capacity



Mining and processing materials like lithium, cobalt, and nickel for larger batteries have environmental and social impacts



Given their higher energy demand, HDVs necessity high-capacity charging station, placing substantial strain on the power grid

HDEV Weight Considerations

- A battery for a HDEV may weight up to 7,200 kg (16,000 lbs.) which may add between 1,800-2,400 kg (4,000 to 5,300 lbs.) to the overall weight of the HDEV in comparison to a traditional diesel-powered HDV⁴
- Due to heavier weights caused by EV battery sizes, load sizes must be decreased to compensate for existing vehicle weight limits on roads and bridges⁵
- This has led some states to reevaluate the maximum gross weight of vehicles for those powered by alternative fuels⁶

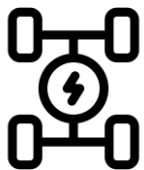


HDEV Weight Considerations

- According to the Department of Transportation, a 900-kg (2,000-lbs) axle weight increase can cause 50% more pavement damage
- Higher axle loads result in increased pavement strain, accelerating damage and overall pavement deterioration⁷
- Damage is concentrated in corridors with the highest freight traffic (urban and major freight routes)
- The need for more frequent maintenance and rehabilitation increases lifecycle costs for pavements exposed to heavier vehicles
- Thin pavements can incur up to 23% higher costs compared to standard pavements⁷

HDEV Opportunities⁸

HDEVs with heavier batteries significantly increase axle loads, leading to higher pavement stress, which accelerates damage and reduces service life



The distribution of battery weight (front, rear, or evenly spread) critically impacts stress distribution and road degradation, with uneven placement causing localized failures



Acceleration and braking in HDEVs amplify transient stresses on pavements, particularly affecting flexible pavements, which are more sensitive to these forces



The larger torque of HDEVs, particularly during acceleration and braking, causes significant longitudinal stresses



Dynamic Wireless Power Transfer

- Reduce battery size and vehicle cost
- Allow trucks to have more useful weight
- Reduce production and transportation costs
- Potentially increase profits



Battery Reduction

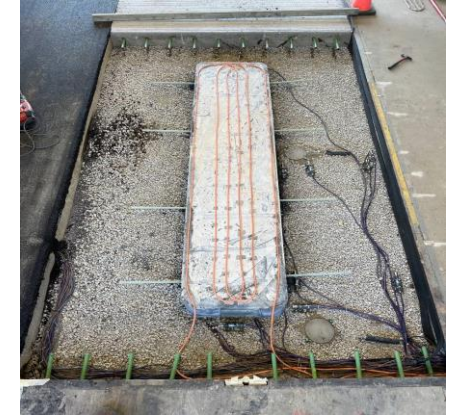
- DWPT reduces the need for large batteries in HDEVs by enabling on-the-move charging, improving payload capacity and reducing upfront battery cost, which constitute up to 50% of total vehicle cost in HDEVs⁹
- Downsizing battery requirements through DWPT significantly decreases reliance on costly raw materials like lithium and cobalt
- Continuous charging via DWPT reduces the need for frequent charging stops, improving delivery efficiency and reducing delivery times
- The cost competitiveness of DWPT depends on achieving high utilization ratios⁹

DWPT Feasibility¹⁰

- Systems for HDVs are competitive with conventional diesel trucks at an energy cost of 30 ¢/kWh
- Implementing DWPT on high-traffic routes is feasible, with estimated construction costs ranging from three to four times higher per lane-mile than current construction
- DWPT requires additional substations near highways
- Renewable energy sources might be used to meet energy demands
- Payback periods for an early adoption range between 20 and 25 years, largely dependent on the penetration level of EVs adopting DWPT technology

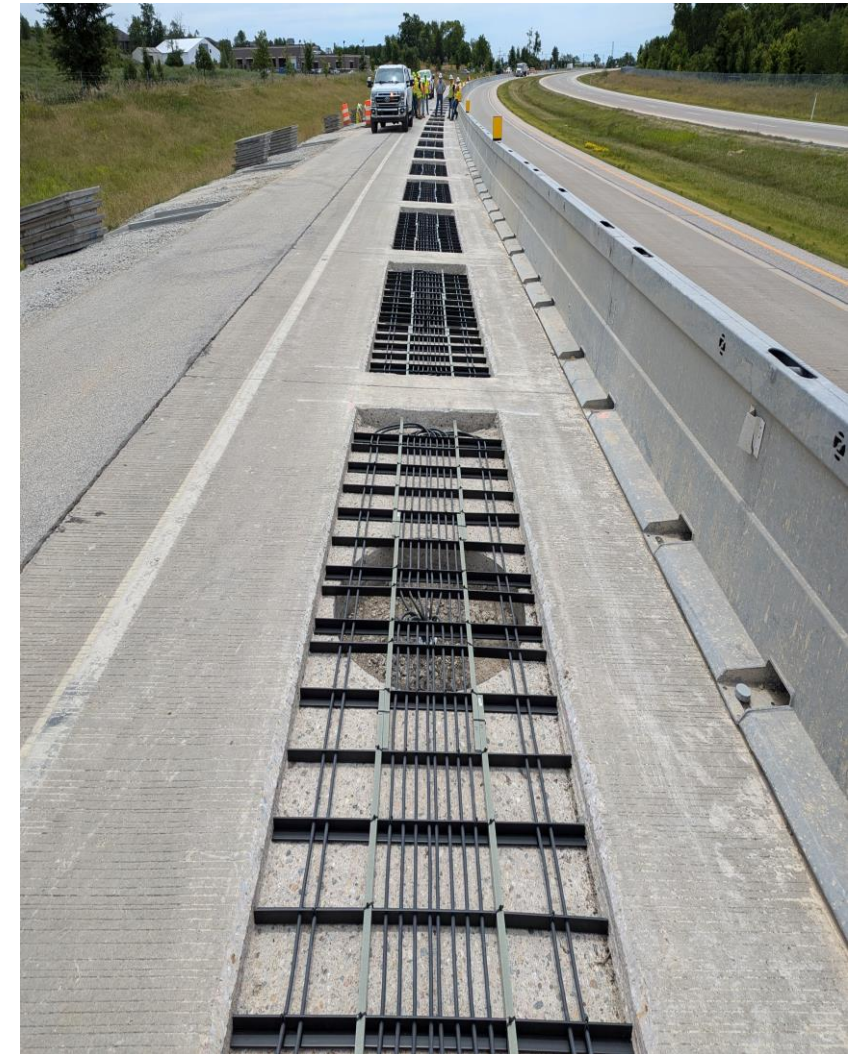
Indiana Initial Tests

- Investigate the mechanical and thermal performance of DWPT-pavement
- Two scale pavements with embedded DWPT in accelerated pavement testing
- Conduct testing to assess the pavement performance due to embedded DWPT components



Indiana Pilot

- DWPT testbed, 400 m (¼ mile) US 52/US 231
- Transition the embedment of DWPT technology from a controlled test setting to implementation on a real roadway structure
- Enable the research team (Purdue/INDOT/Contractors) to develop methods to efficiently install coils within a practical roadway
- Explore methods to lower installation costs



Michigan Pilot

- 1.6 km (1 mile) wireless Electric Road System (ERC) in downtown Detroit
- The goal of the pilot will be to showcase the viability and effectiveness of wireless dynamic charging on public roads for multiple vehicle types and use cases in a real-world scenario, such as, but not limited to, transit buses, passenger shuttles, and last-mile delivery trucks



Central Florida Expressway

- SR 516 will be equipped to recharge batteries of electric cars and trucks as they drive along the tollway
- System will provide charging at up to 200 kW (for HDEVs)



20-Year Roadway-Electrification Roadmap

2023

Phase 1 Pilots
(1/4 - 1/2 mile)



2023: Electric Roadway pilots installed in Utah, Indiana, and Florida.

2026

Extended Pilots
(1 - 2 miles)



2026: Initial learnings extended as supply chain is built out.

2030

Road Segments
(5 - 10 miles)



2030: Installing roadway segments in key locations across the US.

2035

Corridors
(50 - 100 miles)



2035: Electric Roadway corridors established.

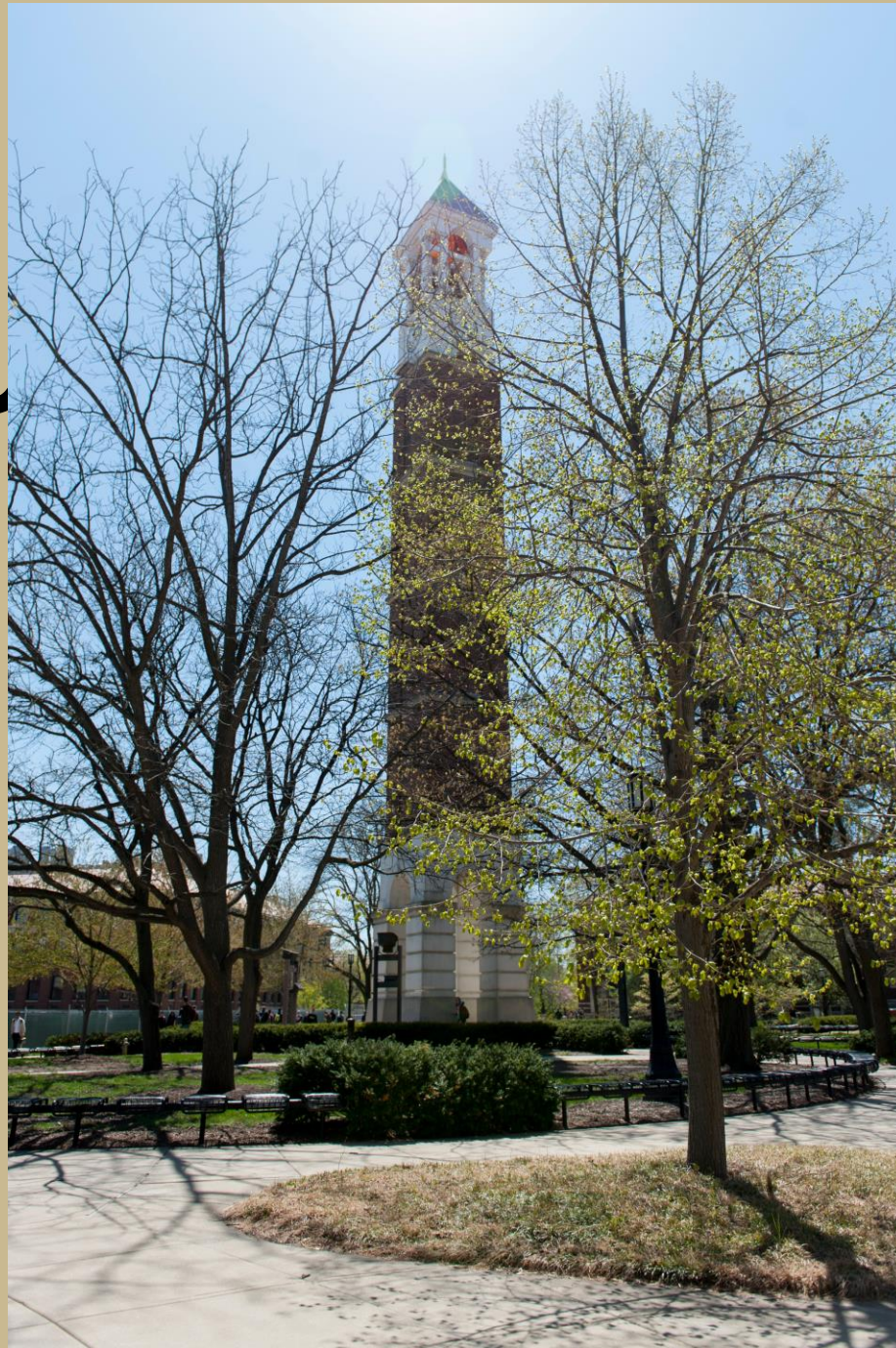
2040

Interstate Highways



2040: Electric Roadways expand from metro areas.

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Anticipated Truck Loadings in Pavement Design and Potential Impacts on Road Network Performance and Operation: An Australian Perspective

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Scope of presentation

1. Anticipated changes in loading and potential impacts on road networks and users
 - Focus on most common pavement types (unbound granular with thin bituminous surfacings)
2. Pavement and surfacing assets – What does it mean?
 - Components of pavement wear
 - Status of performance models
3. Future pavement management systems and strategic analysis
4. Summary and Next steps

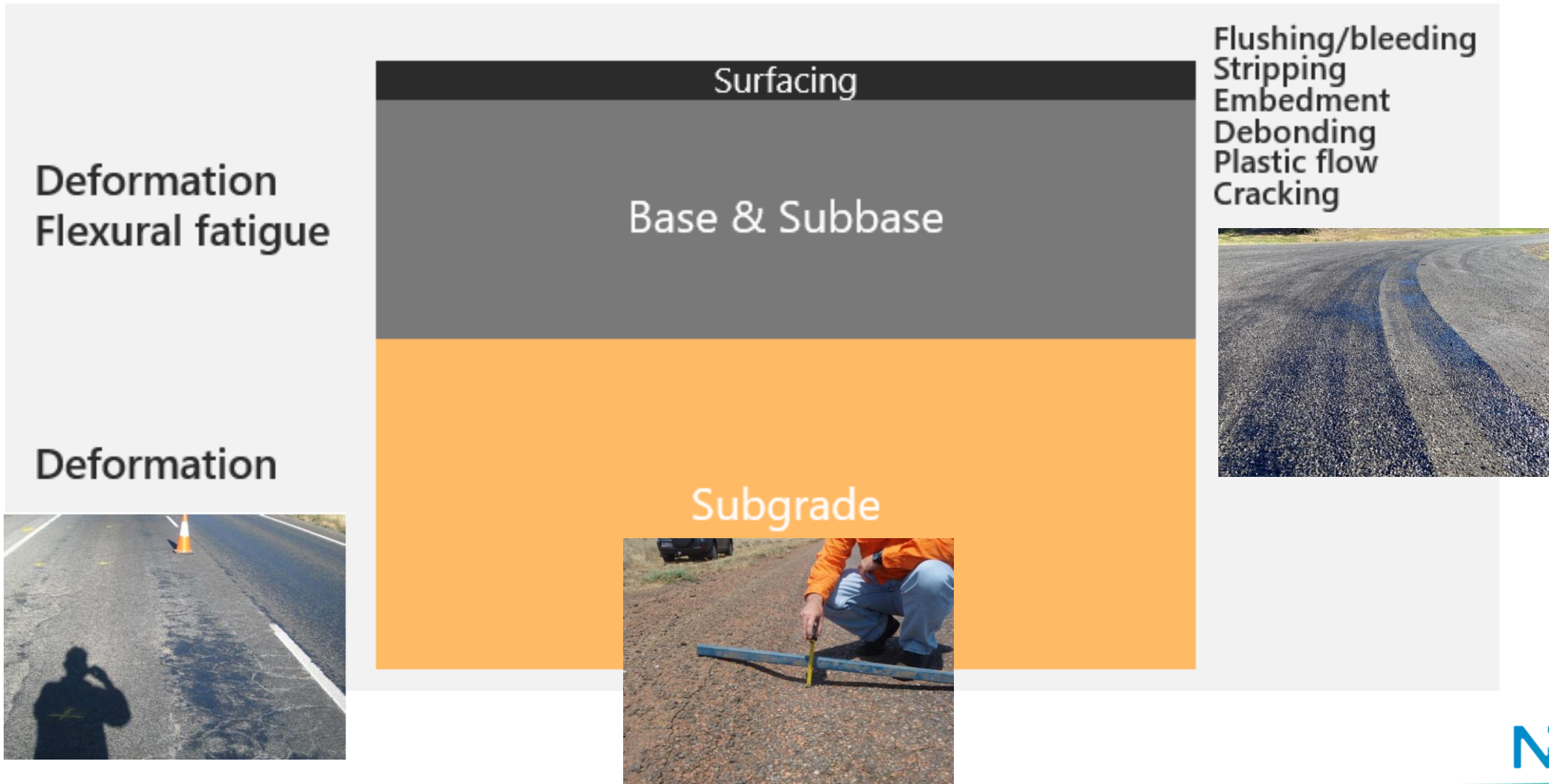


The drivers and associated loading changes

- Emissions reductions targets & timescales
 - 43% below 2005 levels by 2030
 - Net zero by 2050
 - Anticipated power trains for low and zero emissions vehicles (LZE) increase pavement loading considerably
- Transport productivity
 - Drive for increased payloads and less trips
 - Ministerial support for country-wide change
- Likely vehicle loading changes for LZE HV
 - From 6t to 7.5t possibly up to 9t on steer axle (25% to 50% higher)
 - From 16t to 18t – 20t on (twin) drive axles (12% to 25% higher)
- Pavement loading consequences – and our knowledge and experience base
- Identifying and addressing areas of greatest uncertainty. NB: sprayed bituminous seals on granular road bases represent 85% of the Australian network.



Components of pavement wear – what we believe we know, or do not know so well



Status of performance models

Deformation & Fatigue

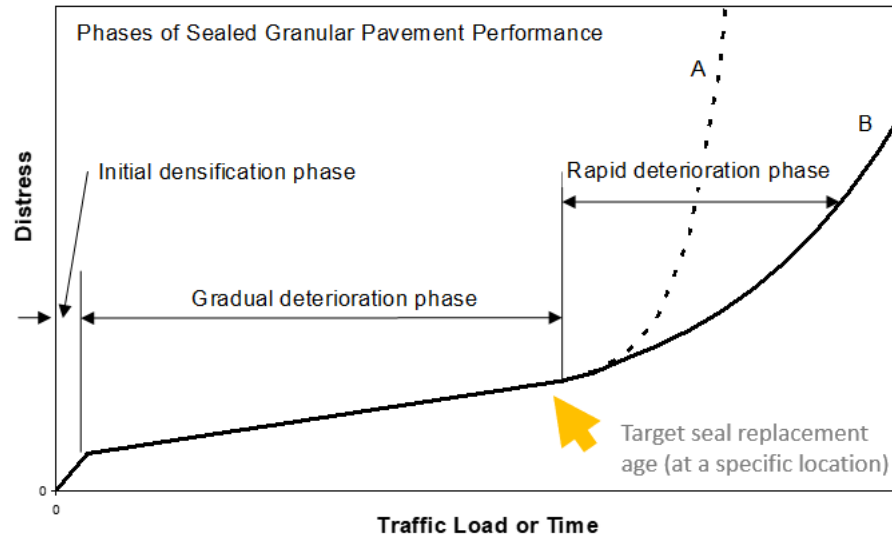
- **Primary load issue:** Vertical load
- **Distress modelling:** Have performance models
- Models related to load, ESAs/ SAR concepts, Reference loads
- **Extrapolation:** Some needed,
- **Analysis forecast risk** not excessive relative to underlying research

Surfacing distresses

- **Primary load issue:** Vertical & horizontal
- **Distress modelling:** No performance models
- **Extrapolation:** Impossible – no models
- **Approach:**
 - Consider changes in treatments and/or service lives of treatments AND criticality of locations, alignment etc.
 - Re-examine vehicle loading / dynamic loading models

What might it mean for surfacings?

- All sites
 - Shorter lives
 - Heavier more costly future treatments
 - Most at risk
 - 'Fresh' surfacings
 - 'Mature' Surfacings – increasing issue with low budgets
- Highly stressed sites
 - All of the above, but more
- A word of caution
 - Our design process is largely empirical within known limits, conditions – **The latter will change**



Current target lives are 'oxidation-based' under typical conditions, how will distress initiation and progression change?



Future pavement analyses

- Will they be the same with some differences or what?
YES, mostly the same but address pavement & surface effects
- Foundational investment principles – **THEY STILL APPLY**
 - The ‘Goldilocks’ principle – finding the combination of treatment strategies that minimise future costs
 - ‘Stitch-in-time’ – a fit for purpose pavement still needs timely preventive maintenance
- Use cases and uptake scenarios – what might they be?
- Vehicle types and configuration

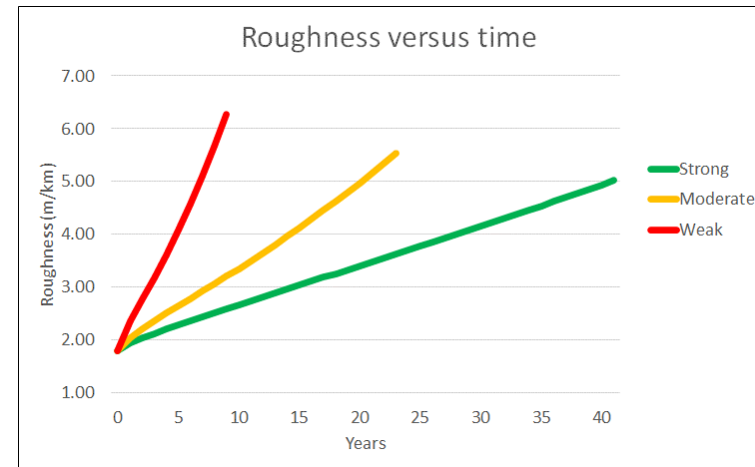


Pavement damage: Relationships for network level application

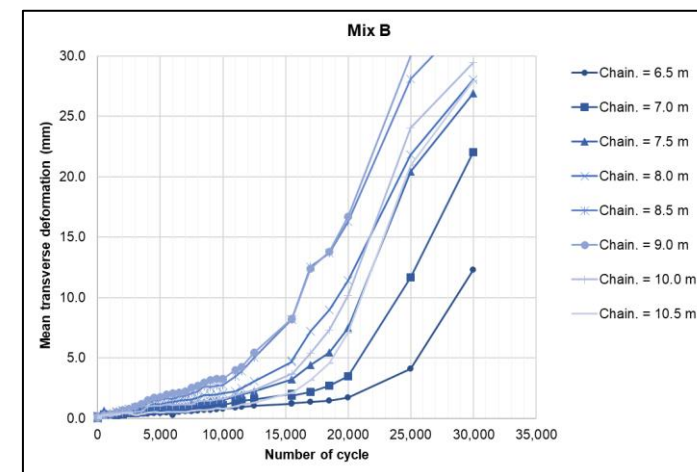
Use of deterministic models from observational studies

- Change in pavement surface condition
 - Cracking
 - Rutting
 - Roughness (Ride quality)
- Change in structural condition
 - Increase in pavement deflection
 - Reduction in pavement (modified) structural number
- Key independent, contributing variables
 - Pavement type and structure
 - Traffic loading, Initial in-service strength, Climate
 - Other factors such as drainage quality, road configuration (widths, sealed shoulders etc)

Impact of pavement strength



ALF: Impact of deliberate pavement wetting



Pavement damage: Accounting for pavement loading configuration in 'thin' flexible pavements

- ESA = Equivalent standard (80 kN) axles
- For a single vehicle proportional to

$$sum = \sum_{n=x}^1 (Axle\ or\ Group\ Load / Ref)^{LDE}$$

Ref = Reference load for axle/ axle group and tyre dimensions which contributes the same damage as a standard 80kN axle load.

LDE = load damage exponent, typically 4 (Seal with granular base (SS), 5 (Asphalt base), 12 (Cemented base))

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Table 7.7: Loads on axle groups with dual tyres which cause same damage as a Standard Axle

Axle group type	Load (kN)
Single axle with dual tyres (SADT)	80
Tandem axle with dual tyres (TADT)	135
Triaxle with dual tyres (TRDT)	182
Quad-axle with dual tyres (QADT)	226

Table 7.8: Loads on axle groups with single tyres which cause same damage as a Standard Axle

Axle group type	Nominal tyre section width	Load (kN)
Single axle with single tyres (SAST)	Less than 375 mm	53
	At least 375 mm but less than 450 mm	58
	450 mm or more	71
Tandem axle with single tyres (TAST)	Less than 375 mm	89
	At least 375 mm but less than 450 mm	98
	450 mm or more	119
Triaxle with single tyres (TRST)	Less than 375 mm	121
	At least 375 mm but less than 450 mm	132
	450 mm or more	162
Quad-axle with single tyres (QAST)	Less than 375 mm	150
	At least 375 mm but less than 450 mm	164
	450 mm or more	201

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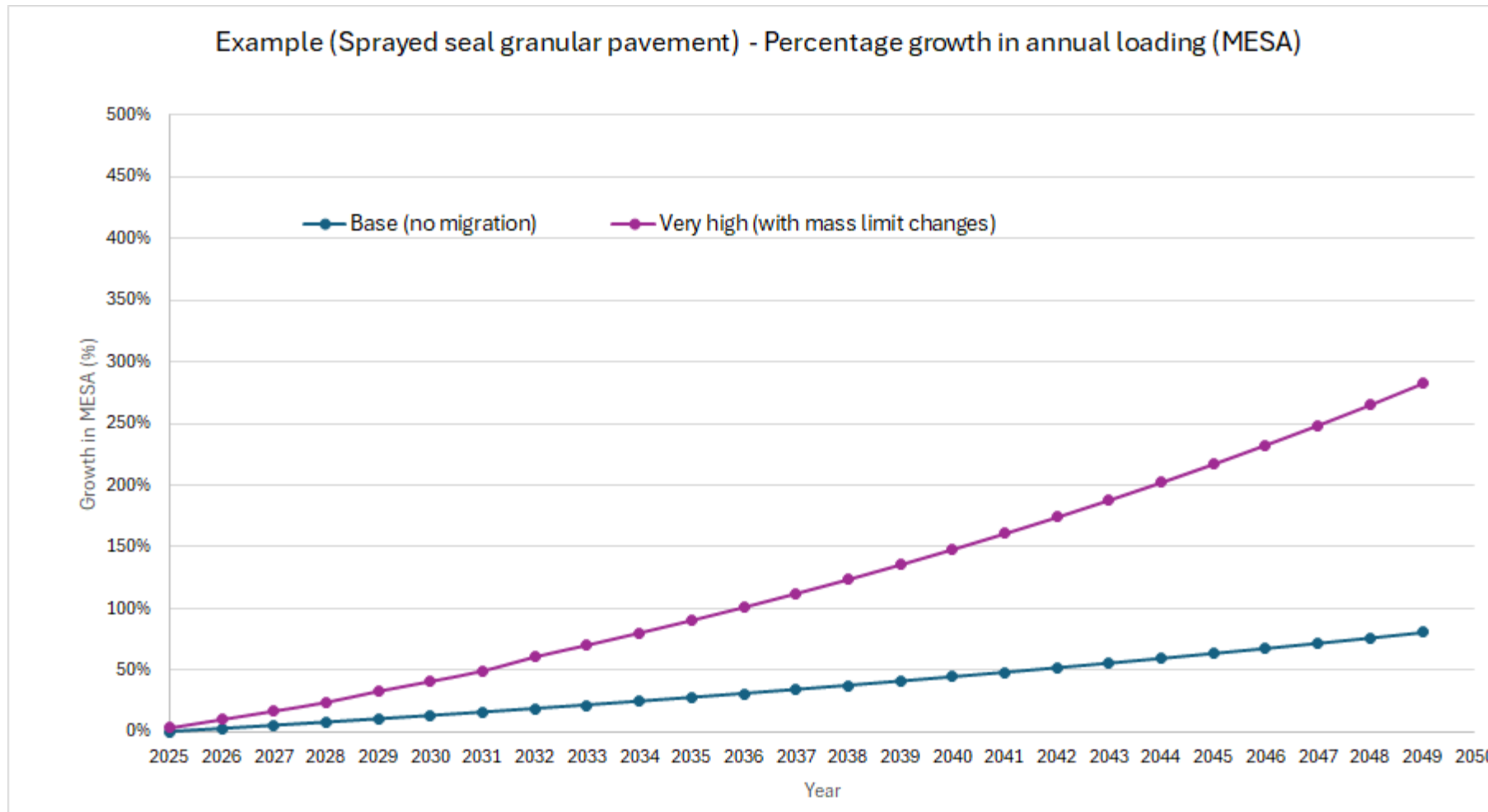
Super single – Ref Load, 73 kN
Ultra wide single, Ref Load 77 kN

Future uptakes and potential loading

- Future loading will vary
 - Back to base
 - Line haul
- Uptake rates uncertain
 - Important to test scenarios – low to high, and impacts on design / pavement management strategies
- Uncertain but likely sources of additional costs
 - Costs not directly proportional to additional loading (typically less, but we are pushing the limit and budgets are tight)
 - The Sleeper – the reality of less-than-optimal funding means risks are high and comprehensive analysis required and is in progress.

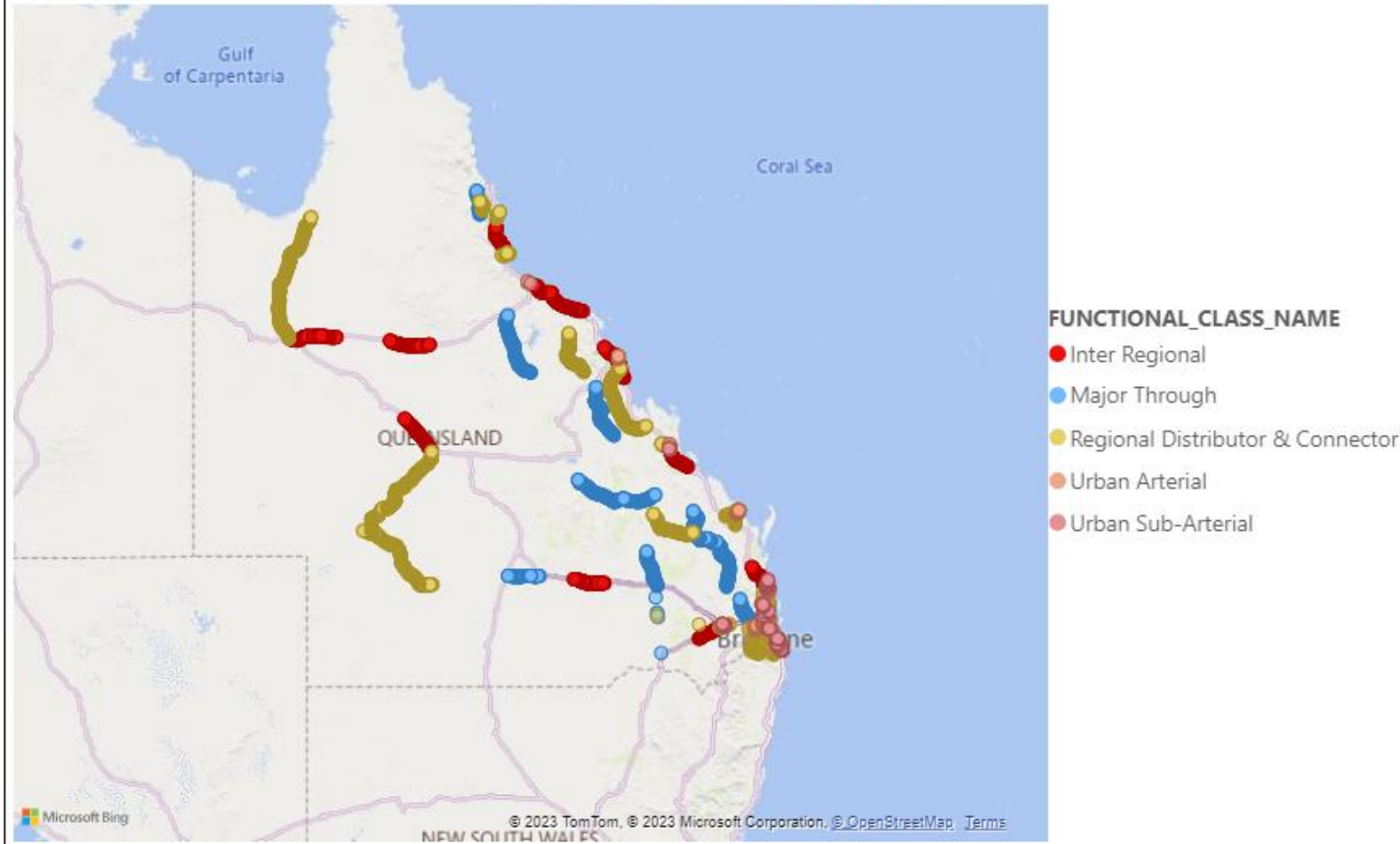


Example proportional ESA change over time by uptake scenario and pavement type



Queensland research: Analysis of sample of network (100m segments)

Location of the analysis segments



FUNCTIONAL_CLASS_NAME	Segment Count
Inter Regional	9942
Major Through	12533
Regional Distributor & Connector	19199
Urban Arterial	3433
Urban Sub-Arterial	1142
Total	46249

ROAD_NAME

- ANGUS SMITH DRIVE CONNECTION ROAD
- BEAUDESERT - BOONAH ROAD
- BEAUDESERT - NERANG ROAD
- BEENLEIGH - REDLAND BAY ROAD
- BEERBURRUM ROAD
- BELLS CREEK ARTERIAL ROAD
- BOONAH - RATHDOWNEY ROAD
- BOWEN DEVELOPMENTAL ROAD
- BRIGHTON - REDCLIFFE ROAD
- BRISBANE VALLEY HIGHWAY
- BRUCE HIGHWAY

Analysis framework and scope

Analysis Scope and Rules

- 30-year analysis period
- Traffic volumes and loading reflect uptake scenarios
- 3 pavement types (SS, AC, CS)
- Optimisation – maximisation of pavement condition (Improvement in PCI) with 'ideal' funding for target LOS and under budget constraint

Analysis set up

- Intervention levels and treatment selection based on traffic levels
- Accounting for structural condition through tracking DEF/SNC based on TSD / IPAVE data and accounting for non-structural treatments
- Use of NTRO developed Austroads 2010 Road Deterioration models

Reporting

- Costs (by year, treatment type etc)
- Condition (common measures of cracking, rutting and roughness, structural parameters)
- Tabular and graphical, PowerBI



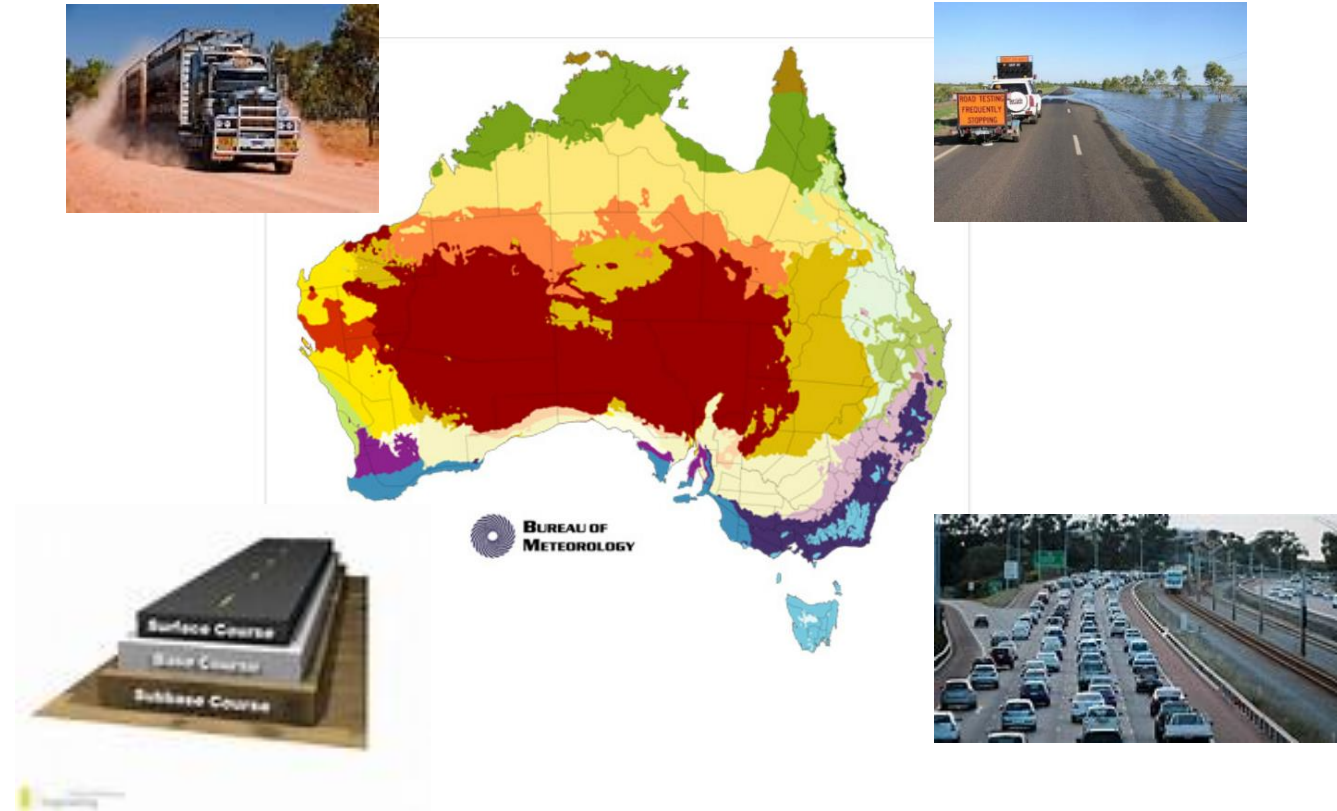
Proposed whole of network representation

- **Physical sections**

- Best representation of actual conditions
- Results can be reviewed directly and on site
- Provide input to stereotypes
- Requires detailed data with analysis being bigger (longer in time)

- **Representative sections or stereotypes**

- Illustrative of conditions and needs
- Some review possible
- If designed well could provide a sufficiently accurate estimate at a network level



Functional class	Pavement Types	Other factors
M	SS	Climate
A	AC	Locale
B	CS	Traffic level
C	Concrete	Condition
Local	Unsealed	History

Summary and Concluding Remarks

1. The challenge

- Rate of consumption of existing assets will accelerate based on the scale of changes in loading
- Treatment demand and retreatment costs will be higher

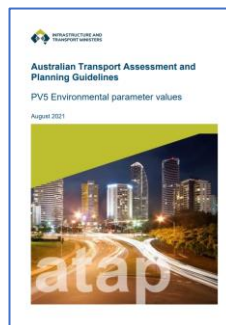
2. What will the future hold and what to do

- Forecasts will continue to be uncertain
- Addressing areas of greatest performance uncertainty and highest risk/impact is vital

3. Better to be ready and acknowledge that nothing comes free – our greener future needs investment and communication / coordination. Let's share.

Our existing knowledge base and current studies

- Current sources (Austroads)
 - Road deterioration and works effects models
 - Pavement design, surfacing and rehabilitation guides
 - Sustainable use of available materials
 - Framework for asset preservation and renewal
 - Accelerated loading studies
- Australian Transport Assessment and Planning guidelines
 - PV2 – Road parameter values
 - PV5 – Environmental parameter values
- Agency supported studies
- Ongoing studies
 - **NACOE A68 - Impact Assessment of the Introduction of Low and Zero Emission Heavy Vehicles on Road and Transport Infrastructure,**
 - **Other NACOE and WARRIP studies**
 - Marginal cost of additional load related road wear
 - Sustainability assessment tool (SAT4P)
 - Changes to HV masses and dimensions and effect of wide tyres
 - **Austroads NEF6392 - Future Freight Vehicles and Buses Implications for Road Managers – Pavement Analysis**
 - Review of pavement loading and available modelling
 - Applying uptake forecasts to inform case studies of pavement impacts and investment needs



Thank you

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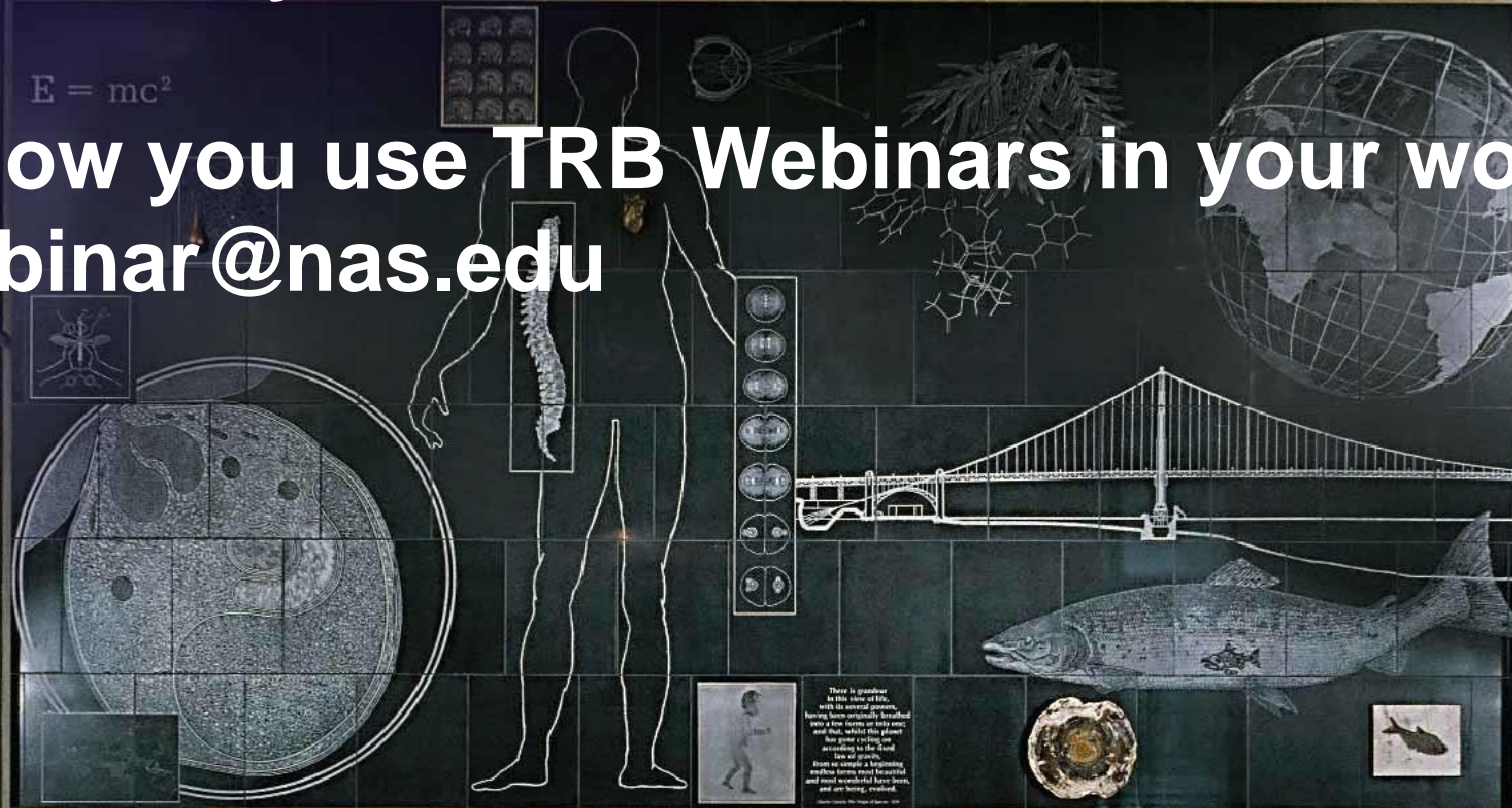
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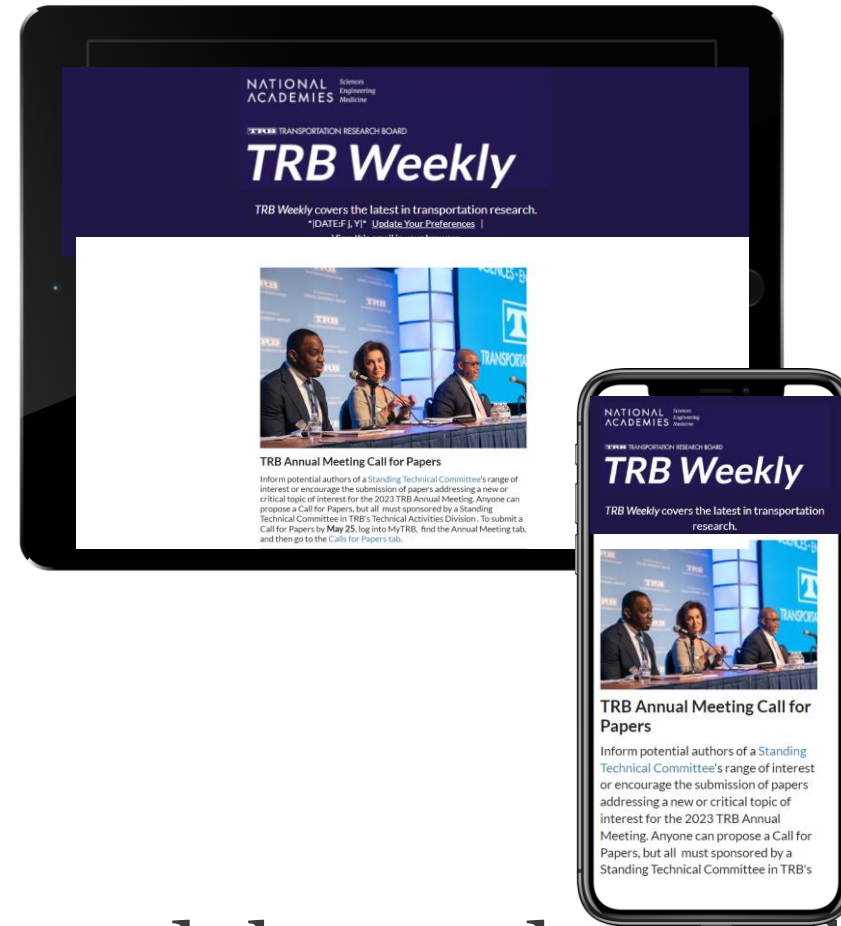


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