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OPTIMAL RETROFIT DECISION-MAKING FOR BRIDGE SYSTEMS BASED ON MULTI-HAZARD LIFECYCLE COST ANALYSIS

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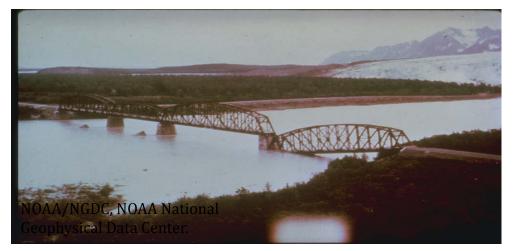
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- In the lifetime of an infrastructure, the system may experience multiple types of hazards.
- As an example, state of New York has identified the following hazards to be significant for their bridges:
 - o Earthquakes
 - o Hydraulic hazards
 - o Collisions
 - Failure in details of steel structures
 - Failure in details of concrete structures
 - o Overload



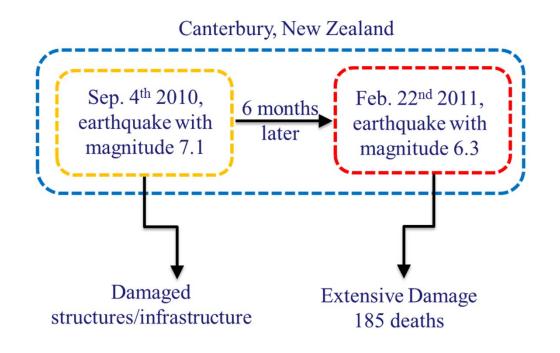




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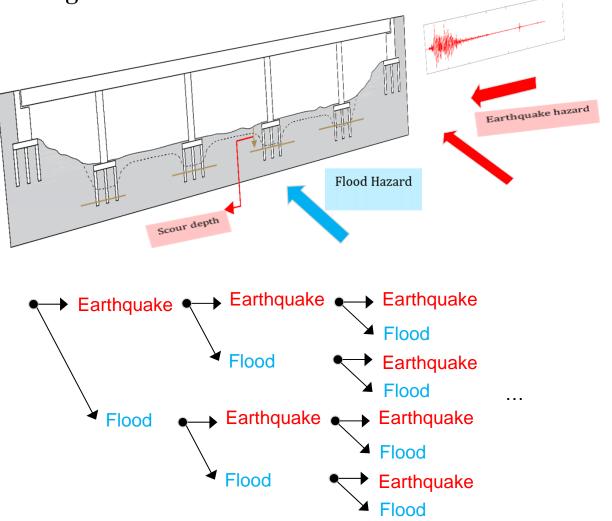
- Structural integrity and functionality of bridges can be significantly affected by these hazard types.
- Each of these hazard types may occur several times in the lifetime of the system, which may:
 - Happen in a short period of time.
 - Aggravate the damage resulting from previous hazard types.





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• Another example: an arterial bridge in a seismic zone, built upon a river with high discharge.





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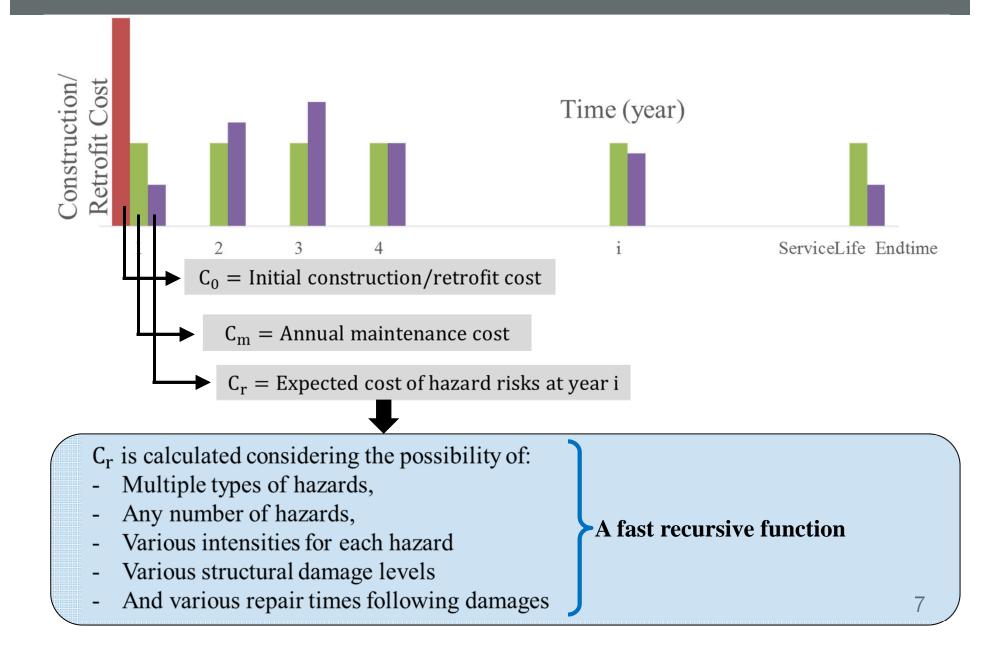
- Each of these hazards is stochastic in:
 - Time of occurrence
 - o Intensity
 - o Extent of incurred damage
- Depending on the extent of damage, various levels of the following consequences may happen:
 - Bridge physical damage
 - Human casualties, and environmental damage
 - o User delay from repair traffic disruptions
 - Economic consequences
- Followed by a damage, corrective repair actions are performed, which are costly and time-consuming, depending on the level of induced damage and the type of actions.
 - The implementation of actions may not finish before next hazards occur.



- To ensure safety and manage bridges in a cost-efficient manner, such risk costs should be considered.
- There are two more cost terms in the lifetime of bridges:
 - Initial retrofit/construction cost
 - o Maintenance cost
- To account for these three costs, as an efficient tool, lifecycle cost (LCC) has been utilized for decision-making purposes.
- Many of former studies assessed systems under one type of hazard, and assumed repair actions to be instantaneous.
- In some others, effects of multi-hazards are accounted for independently.
- Other techniques require numerous scenario-based simulations; and therefore may not be practical.

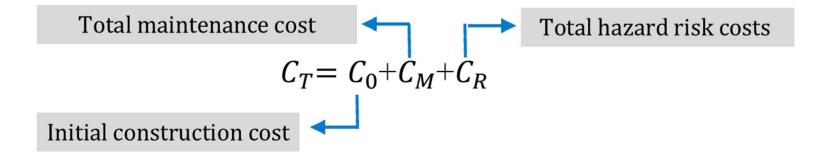
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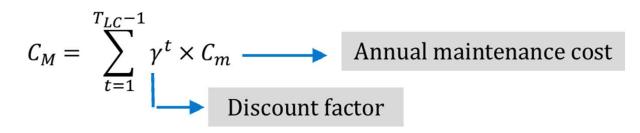




The total incurred cost in the service lifetime of a structure is:



• Total maintenance cost:



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Analytical Framework Total Repair Cost

$$C_{R} = \sum_{t=0}^{T_{LC}-1} \gamma^{t} \times C_{R,t} \quad \text{Repair cost at time } t$$

$$Probability of being in condition-state n during [t, t + 1]$$

$$C_{R,t} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} C_{r}(CS_{n}, [t, t + 1]) \times P(CS_{n}, [t, t + 1])$$
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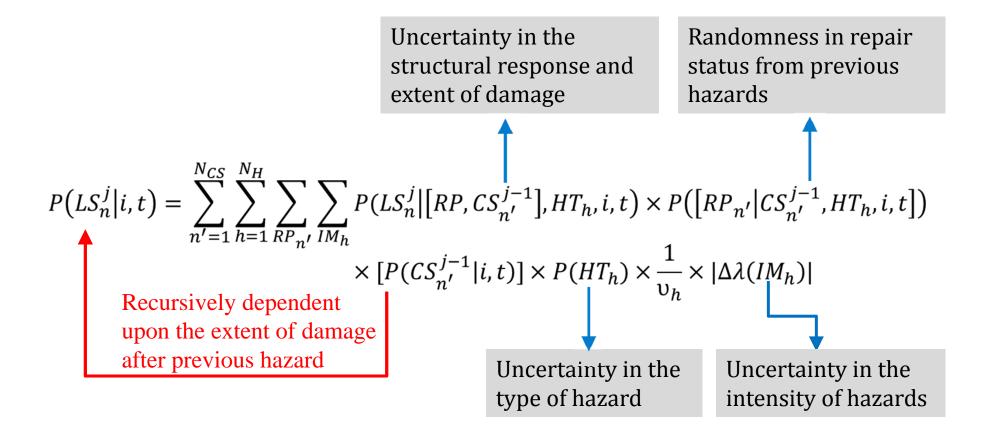
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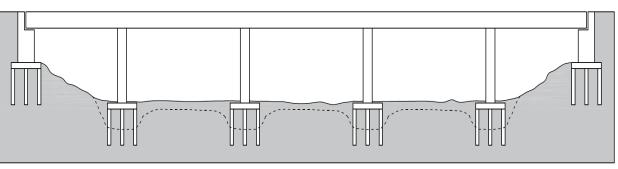
Analytical Framework







• A realistic 5-span RC bridge model is used from literature.

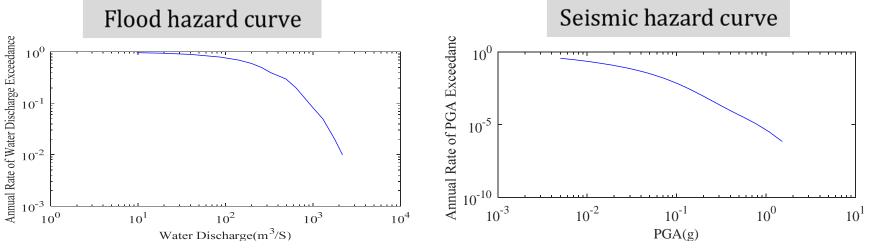


- The bridge is assumed to be located at the City of Sacramento on the American river; exposed to frequent:
 - o flooding
 - o earthquakes
- Four retrofit plans will be evaluated using the proposed LCC framework:
 - o Status quo
 - o Retrofitting piers with steel jacketing
 - Performing scour countermeasures
 - Performing both steel jacketing and scour countermeasures



Input Variables for the Framework

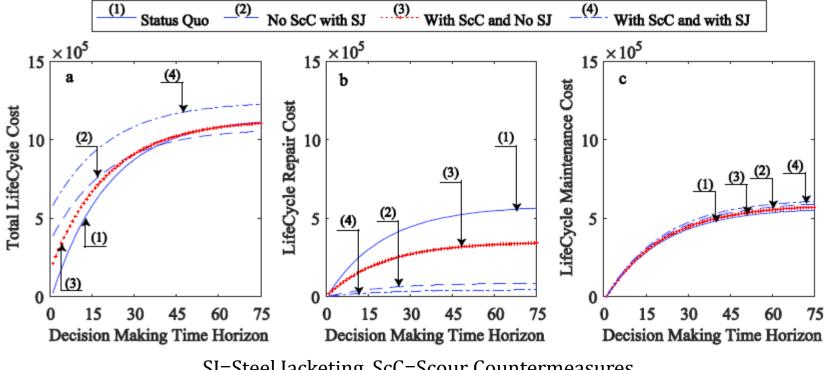
- Input variables for the framework include:
 - Hazard curves: Flood and earthquake



- Damage-state dependent fragility curves
- o Repair times for each type of damage-state
- Agency and user costs at each combination of damage-state:
 - Physical cost of repair, cost of delay time on users, extra vehicle operations, excess gas emissions, economic loss, and human casualties

Numerical Results

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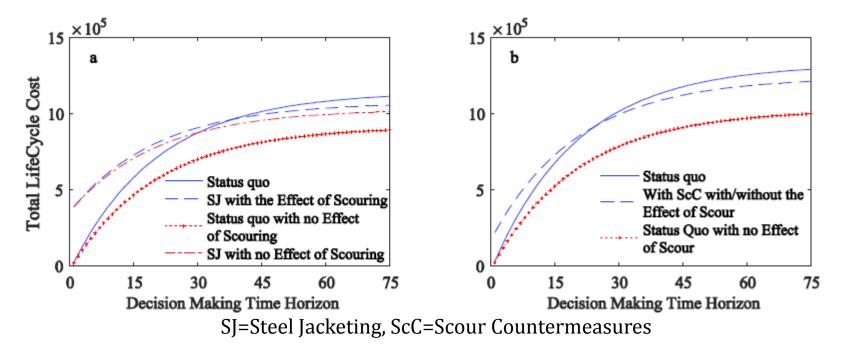


SJ=Steel Jacketing, ScC=Scour Countermeasures

- Both steel jacketing and scour countermeasures reduce the risk of ۲ hazards, while the former reduces the risk the most.
- Since applying steel jacketing is costly, it will be the optimal decision for lifespans longer than 35 years.

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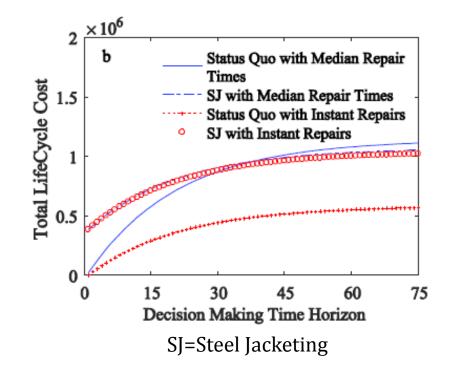
Importance of Incorporation of Multi-Hazard



- In case flood hazard is not considered in LCC analysis, impacts of scouring on seismic vulnerabilities will not be accounted for:
 - For 75 years of lifetime, an extra of \$60,000 would have been incurred.
- Deciding whether or not to just perform ScC, if the region is considered to have more business around (with twice as the current economic consequences), false identification of optimal action:
 - For 75 years results in \$80,000 loss.

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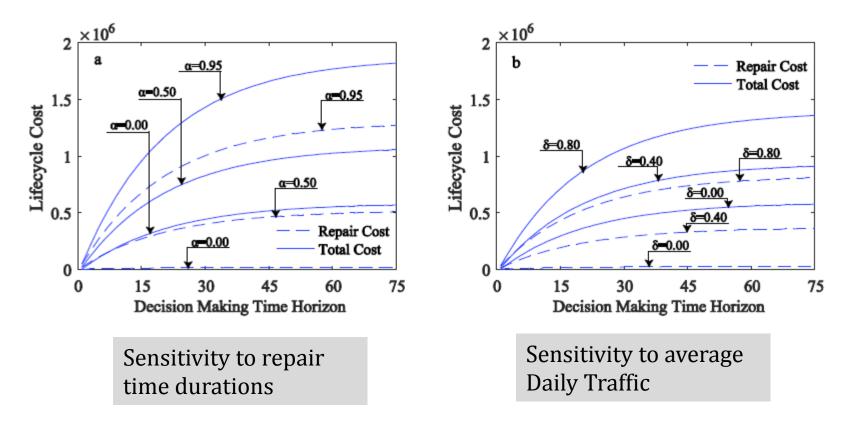
Importance of Incorporation of Repair Times



- Not considering repair time durations will result in:
 - False identification of the optimal retrofit plan as status quo,
 - An extra incurred cost of \$60,000, for 75 years of lifetime.
 - Underestimation of the total LCC of the system by almost 50% (\$5e-5), which can be problematic for management purposes.

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Variation of LCC to repair times and ADT



- As the required repair times increase, the incurred LCCs grow significantly;
- As expected, the more traffic on the bridge, the more the incurred cost due to potential hazards and therefore the higher the total lifecycle costs:



• This study proposes a new framework for LCC of infrastructures that:

Is comprehensive in hazard modeling	Multiple types, Multiple occurrences of each type, all the scenarios for the order of events.
Incorporates dependencies	Between incurred damages of various types and the capacity of the structure for future hazards, if repair is incomplete.
Is computationally efficient	Such damage-state probabilities after each hazard occurrence is computed through a dynamic programming procedure.
Requires limited input	Only requires hazard curves , cost values , damage-state dependent fragility curves and repair times .
Helps decision- makers to reliably	Select retrofit strategies that considerably reduce expected LCC of infrastructures.
	Invest on factors that reduce the lifecycle costs the most. 17



Conclusion

