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3D BRIDGE app overview:

Enabling the Future of Bridge Inspection Data Collection

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 Faced with an aging bridge inventory and increasing federal requirements for collecting element level data, MDOT wished to increase the efficiency and reliability of collected data.







Current bridge

 inspection practices
 at the Michigan
 Department of
 Transportation
 (MDOT) utilize paper
 forms followed by a
 manual data entry
 step to populate their
 database.







 Additionally, photographs documenting bridge deterioration are collected and stored separately from inspection data.







 MDOT inspectors also carry reference manuals and past inspection reports to help verify the accuracy of the data they are collecting.







- The exact locations of bridge defects are not stored which creates an inconvenience as the data are difficult to visualize, to tabulates overall defect quantities, & to duplicate inspections.
- Federal rules require inspectors to collect AASHTO Element level data. Current processes don't enable the efficient collection of this data, especially for recording location-specific information.

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

STR 2304	SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT - CORE ELEMENTS					
Facility	Latitude / Longitude	MDOT Structure ID	Structure Condition	*		
M-99 NB	42.630728 / -84.622691	23123092000B020	Fair Condition(6)			
Feature	Length / Width	Owner				
GRAND RIVER	180 / 45.9	Region: University(6)				
Location	Built / Recon. / Paint / Ovly.	TSC	Operational Status			
0.5 MIS OF HOLT RD	1978 / / 2008 / 2008	Lansing(6A)	A Open, no restriction(A	.)		
Region / County Material / Design Last NE		Last NBI Inspection	Scour Evaluation			
University(6) / Eaton(23)	ersity(6) / Eaton(23) 3 Steel / 02 Stringer/Girder 05/07/2013 / BDYT 3 SC - Unstable					

NBI INSPE	CTION							BDYT
Inspector Name		Agency / Company Name	•		Insp. Freq.		Insp. Da	te
Janiene De\	Vinney	MDOT INSPECTOR		24		05/07/20	13	
CoRE ELE	MENTS						(Englis	sh Units)
Element Number	Element Name	Total Quantity	Unit	State 1	State 2	State 3	State 4	State 5
Decks/Slab	S							
18/3	Conc Dk Thn Epoxy Ov	8267	(SF)	8267 100%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%
Joints								
400/ 3	Strip Seal Exp Joint	92	(LF)	92 100%	0 0%	0 0%	xxxxx xxxxx	XXXXX XXXXX
401/3	Pourable Joint Seal	92	(LF)	0 0%	92 100%	0 0%	xxxxx xxxxx	XXXXX XXXXX
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107/3	Pnted Stl Girder /Bm	1079	(LF)	1074 100%	5 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%
161/3	Paint Stl Pin/Hanger	12	(EA)	12 100%	0 0%	0 0%	0	0 0%
331/3	Concrete Bridge Rail	361	(LF)	269 75%	92 25%	0 0%	0 0%	XXXXX XXXXX
Bearings								
311/3	Movable Bearing	12	(EA)	12 100%	0 0%	0 0%	xxxxx xxxxx	XXXXX XXXXX
313/3	Fixed Bearing	12	(EA)	12 100%	0 0%	0 0%	xxxxx xxxxx	XXXXX XXXXX
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234/ 3	Reinf Conc Pier Cap	105	(LF)	92 88%	13 12%	0 0%	0 0%	XXXXX XXXXX
Other Elem	ents							
321/3	Reinf Conc Appr Slab	2	(EA)	2 100%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	XXXXX XXXXX
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Objectives of MDOT Wireless Bridge Inspection Study

The goal is to help MDOT take advantage of the advances in portable data entry technologies, reduce the time needed for field staff to collect bridge inspection data and thereby help have a safer bridge inspection program, and help provide a compatible path forward to a more efficient bridge inspection process that is available to all appropriate levels of MDOT.







Objectives of MDOT Wireless Study

- Develop a wireless web/tables based bridge inspection data collection system. This system would:
 - Use 3D models to help collect data.
 - Integrate with MDOT Michigan Bridge Reporting System and other current MDOT bridge inspection processes.







MDOT's requested solution



A tablet application for MDOT Bridge Inspectors for the collection, display, and summarizing of bridge inspection data.





The 3D B^{RIDG}E app

The 3D B^{RIDG}E app helps MDOT take advantage of the advances in portable data entry technologies, reduce the need for field staff time to collect bridge inspection, and facilitate the bridge inspection process









How will this tool work from the Bridge Inspector's point of view?





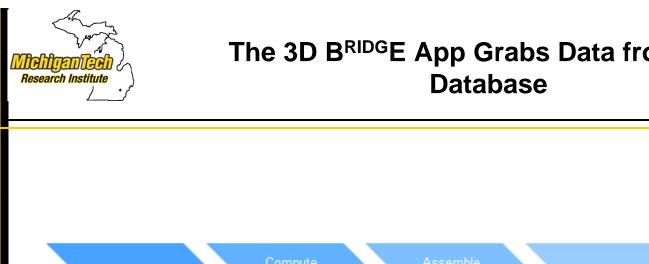


Overview videos available

Introduction to the 3D BRIDGE App for bridge inspections

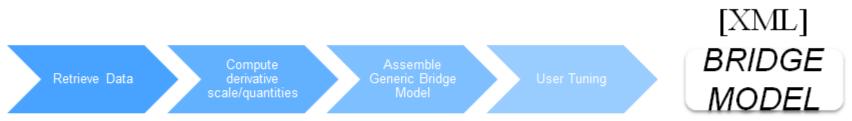
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sCrxqZ57aol

http://www.mtri.org/3dbridge.html





The 3D B^{RIDG}E App Grabs Data from BMS



- With few 3D models of the bridges available, a model needed to be created from scratch
 - Wanted to be able to use a 3D model for a bridge needing inspection, regardless of whether one already existed
- Large amounts of descriptive information within **MDOT's Bridge Management Database**
 - Sufficient information to auto-generate a sufficiently representative model of most bridges needing inspection





The 3D B^{RIDG}E App Grabs Data from BMS Database

- Queries all of the data from a static copy of MDOT's database.
- The MDOT bridge management database is composed of 16 tables.
- The 3D B^{RIDG}E App queries from almost all of them.

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User Tuning

- Created a web-based user interface for fine tuning the 3D bridge model
- Missing data are filled in with generic assumptions.
 - Ex: locations of pin & hanger assemblies
- User can alter data to fix any assumptions that were not correct

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Backend Outputs XML to Frontend

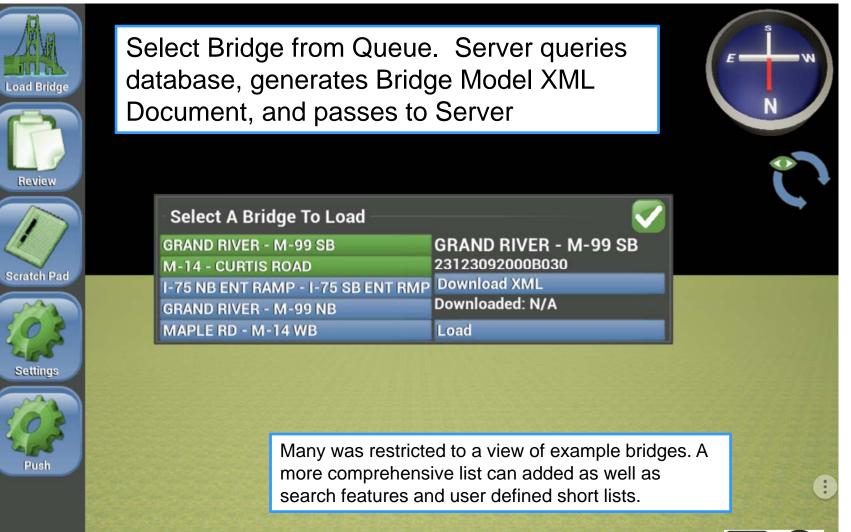
- Outputs bridge XML to create model.
 - Small file transmitted to tablet to create 3D model on the fly
 - <Member>

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Select bridge by Region / StructureID





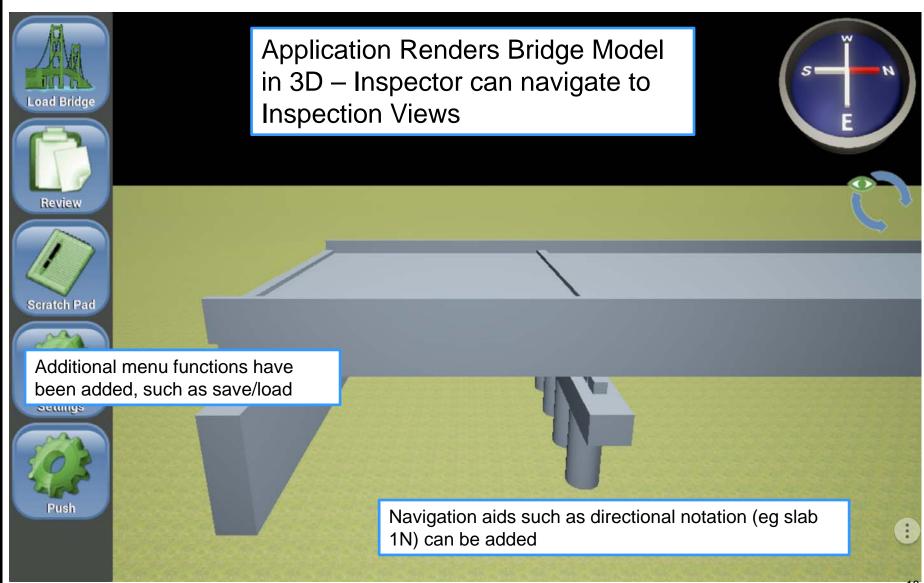


Desired bridge loads and is rendered





3D model is auto-generated using Epic Games' Unreal Engine, also provides user interface





Load Bridge

Review

Scratch Pad

Settings

Push



Navigation is constrained to an orbit around the bridge

"Cylinder View" ensures you will always have a useful view of the bridge. An additional along-bridge view is planned to offer perspectives common in the inspection process.

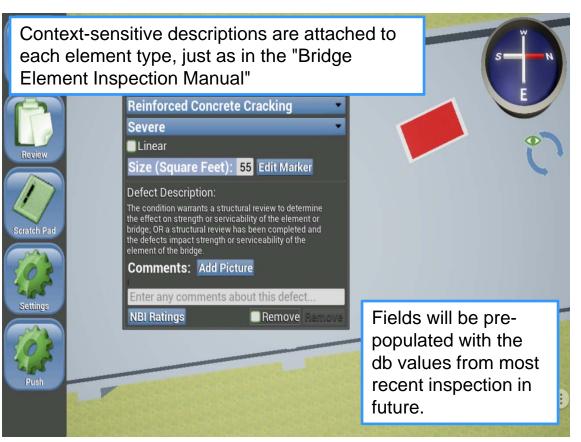
> Touching any location on the Bridge Model will indicate a location for any defects associated with that element type (eg concrete deck)





3D BRIDGE App Usage

- The 3D B^{RIDG}E App enables bridge inspectors to collect and record all of the necessary data for the bridge inspection process in one tool.
- Each individual defect can be annotated with a description, photos, and quantity.
- Inspectors no longer have to carry the Bridge Element Inspection Manual







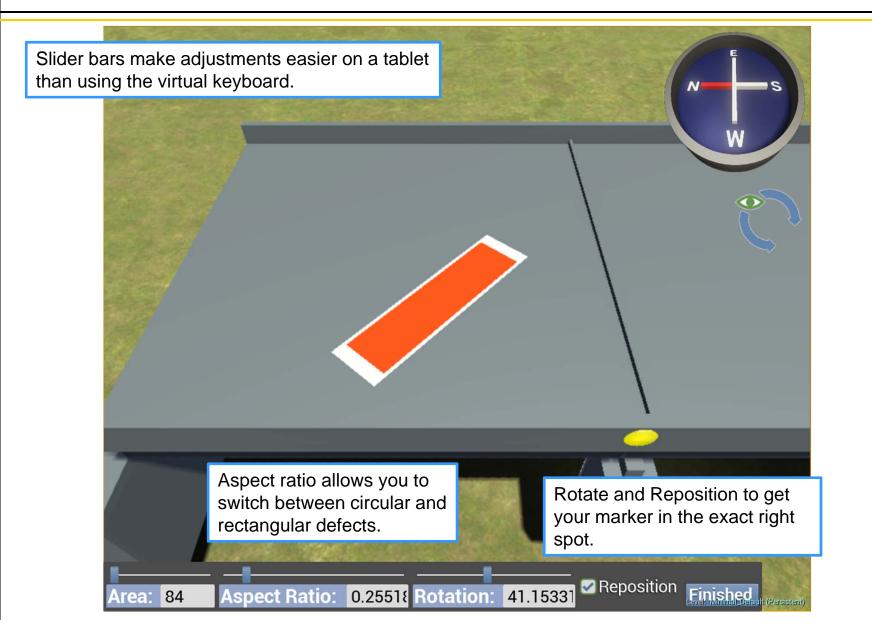
View Photos of the Desired Defect

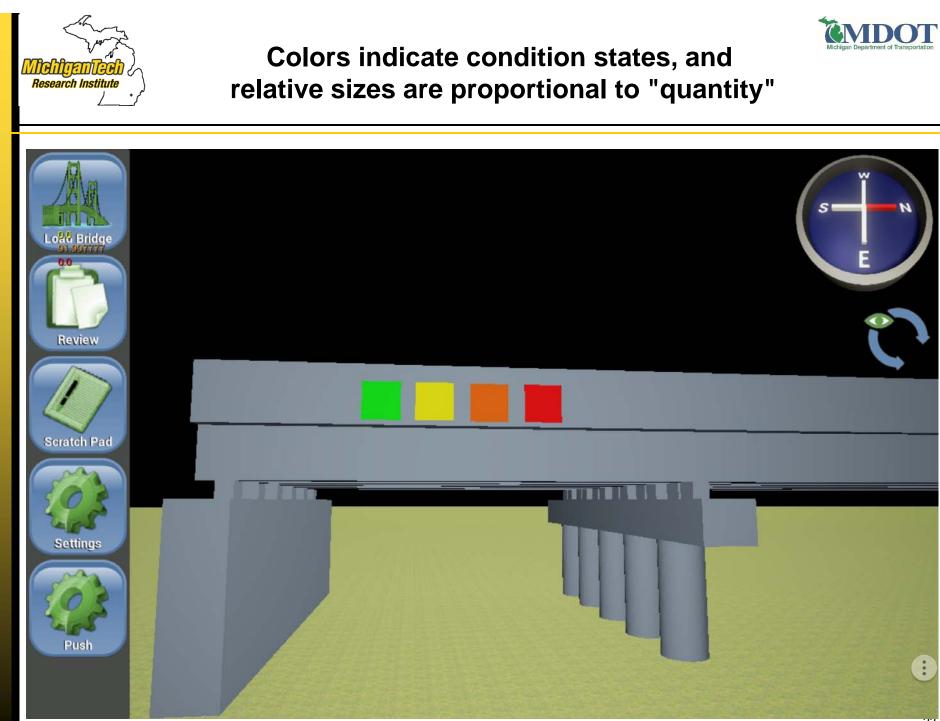






Customize the Defect's Size and Shape

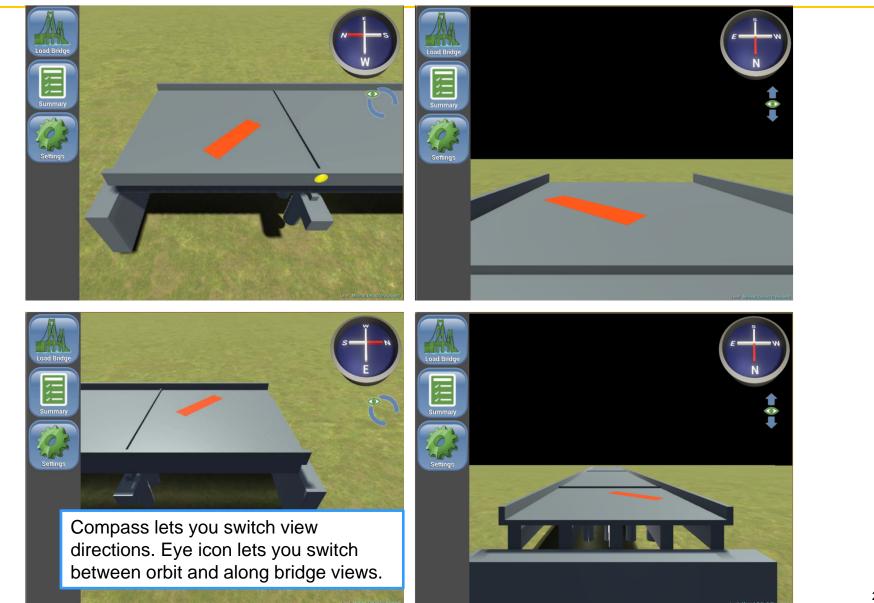


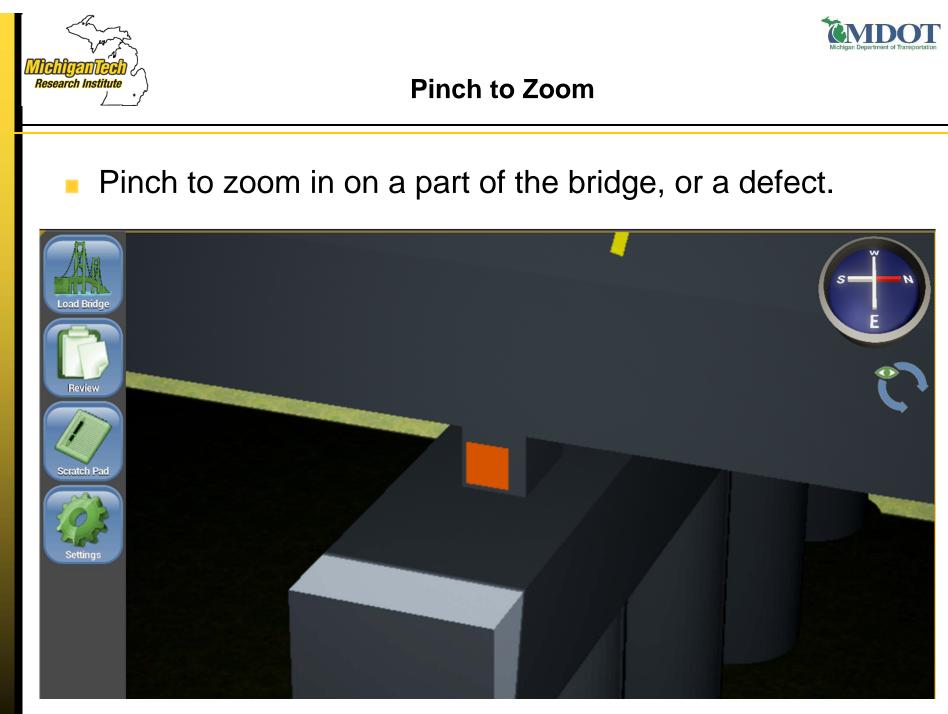






Saves the Defect's 3D Position For Future Inspections









Scratch Pad

 Write on the scratch pad to add any additional comments or drawings

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Collect and Display NBI Information

STR 10922	Defect Summary	TY INSPECTION REPORT	S13-811
Facility CURTIS ROAD	Latitude / Longitude 42.338417 / -83.605835	MDOT Structure ID 81181103000S130	Structure Condition Good Condition(7)
Feature	Length / Width	Owner	
M-14	325.996033 / 44.289486	1	
Location	Built / Recon. / Paint / Ovly.	TSC	Operational Status
3 MI W OF WAYNE CO LINE	1975/2006/0/2006	Brighton(6B)	Open, no restriction(A)
Region / County 6- University, Jackson /	Material / Design 3 Steel / 02 Stringer/Girder	Last NBI Inspection 9/4/2014 / EJD7	Scour Evaluation Bridge not over waterway
Washtenaw(81)		5/4/2014/2011	Bruge for over waterway
NBI INSPECTION			EJ
Inspector Name	Agency / Company Name	Insp. Freq.	Insp. Date
	MDOT Inspector	24	
GENERAL NOTES			
Long term testing of old concret	e columns under span 1w.		
D DECK			
SUBSTRUCTURE			

Review NBI Report Information in the "NBI Report" Summary Tab, and expand the report according to the category.





Collect and Display NBI Information

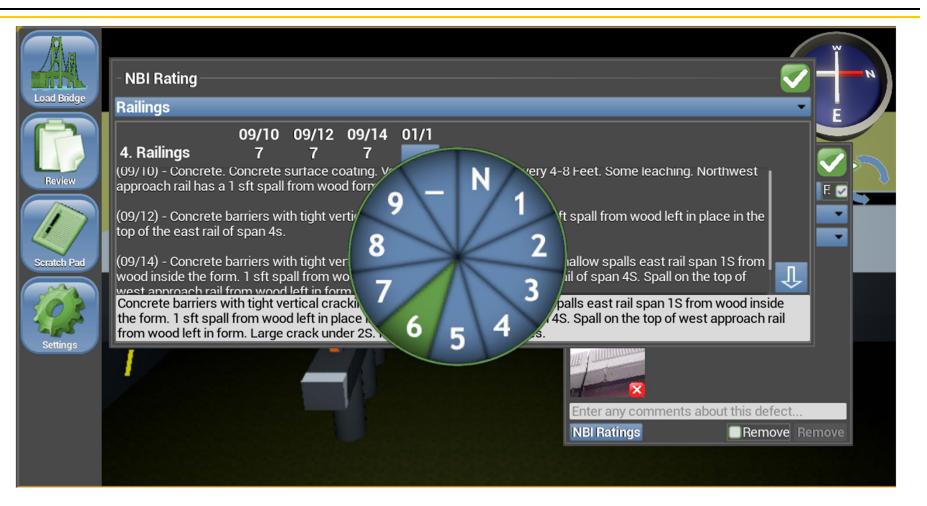
Enter in NBI Information by clicking the "NBI Ratings" button. Use previous comments from past NBI Reports using the "Download" arrow button







Collect and Display NBI Information



 Enter in the NBI Rating for a category by using userfriendly NBI Rating wheel





Collect and Display NBI Information

Bridge Review									
Element Review Defect Summary NBI Report									
09/10 09/12 09/14 01/1 4. Railings 7 7 7 6 (09/10) - Concrete. Concrete surface coating. Vertical cracks spaced every 4-8 Feet. Some leaching. Northwest approach rail has a 1 sft spall from wood form left in place. 9									
(09/12) - Concrete barriers with tight vertical cracking, some are leaching. 1 sft spall from wood left in place in the top of the east rail of span 4s.									
(09/14) - Concrete barriers with tight vertical cracking, some are leaching. 2 Shallow spalls east rail span 1S from wood inside the form. 1 sft spall from wood left in place in the top of the east rail of span 4S. Spall on the top of west approach rail from wood left in form. Minor traffic impact scrapes.									
Concrete barriers with tight vertical cracking, some are leaching. 2 Shallow spalls east rail span 1S from wood inside the form. 1 sft spall from wood left in place in the top of the east rail of span 4S. Spall on the top of west approach rail from wood left in form. Large crack under 2S. Minor traffic impact scrapes.									
09/10 09/12 09/14 01/1									
5. Sidewalks Or N N N Curbs (09/10) -									
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 Scroll through the entire report, and review NBI ratings of past and current reports





View Different Summaries of the Recorded Data

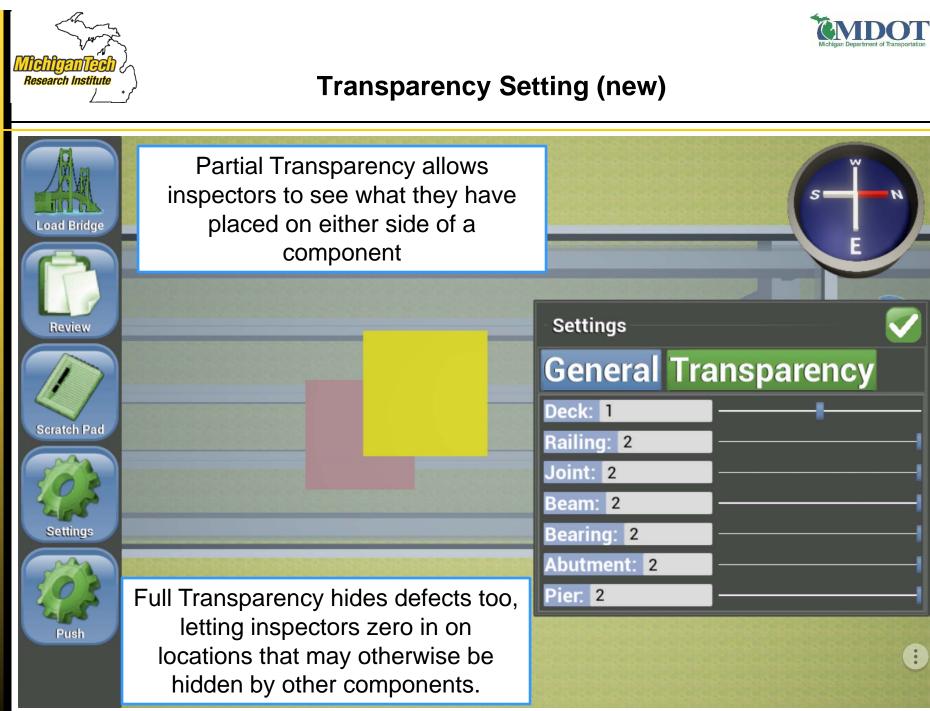
 Display and summarize the bridge inspection data with different views.

Bridge Review

AASHTO Element Level Data View

Summary Review	Element Report			NBI Repor	ť
Good	0	-	ft^2		
7 Fair	4		ft^2		
🗸 Railing			ft^2		
abla Reinforced Concrete Bridge Ra	ailing 4		ft^2		
ablaDamage	4		ft^2		
Railing - 2w	4		ft^2		
√Poor	8		ft^2		
ablaDeck			ft^2		
abla Reinforced Concrete Coated B	ars 8		ft^2		
ablaExposed Rebar	8		ft^2		
Deck - 1s	8		ft^2		
Severe			ft^2		

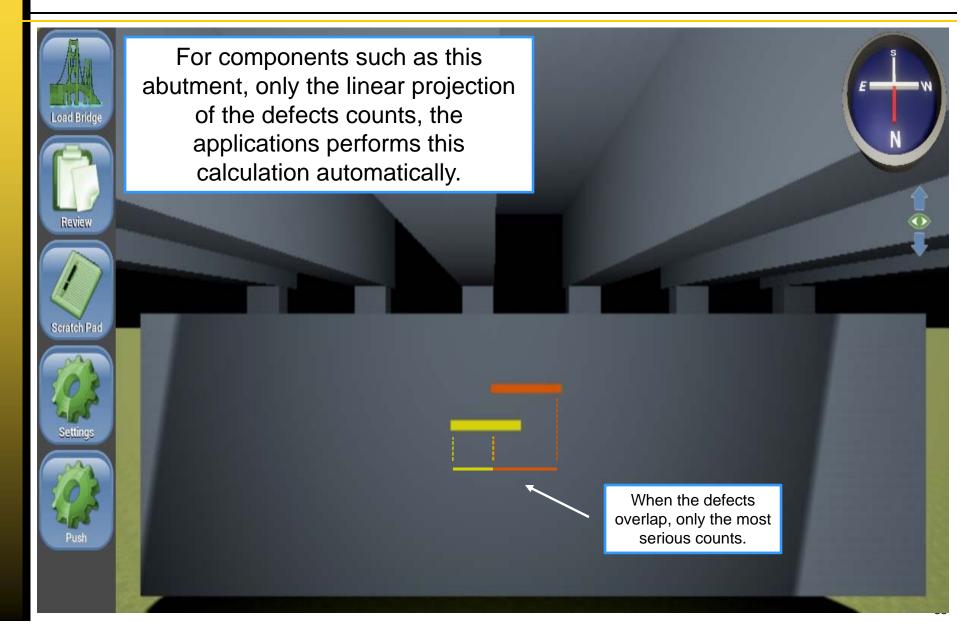
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∇	803	Reinforced (Concrete Coated Bars	Units	1344.957275	1336.95727	0.0	8.0	0,0
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	Superstructui	AAS	AASHTO name		Total Quantity	S1	S2	S3	S4
	Substructure	AA	SHTO name	Units	Total Quantity	S1	S2	\$3	S4
	Bearings	AA	SHTO name	Units	Total Quantity	S1	S2	\$3	S4
	Joints	AA	SHTO name	Units	Total Quantity	S1	S2	\$3	S 4
∇	Other Elemen	AA	SHTO name	Units	Total Quantity	SI	S2	S3	S4
∇	331	Reinforced C	oncrete Bridge Railing	Units	199.034409	195.034409	4.0	0.0	0.0
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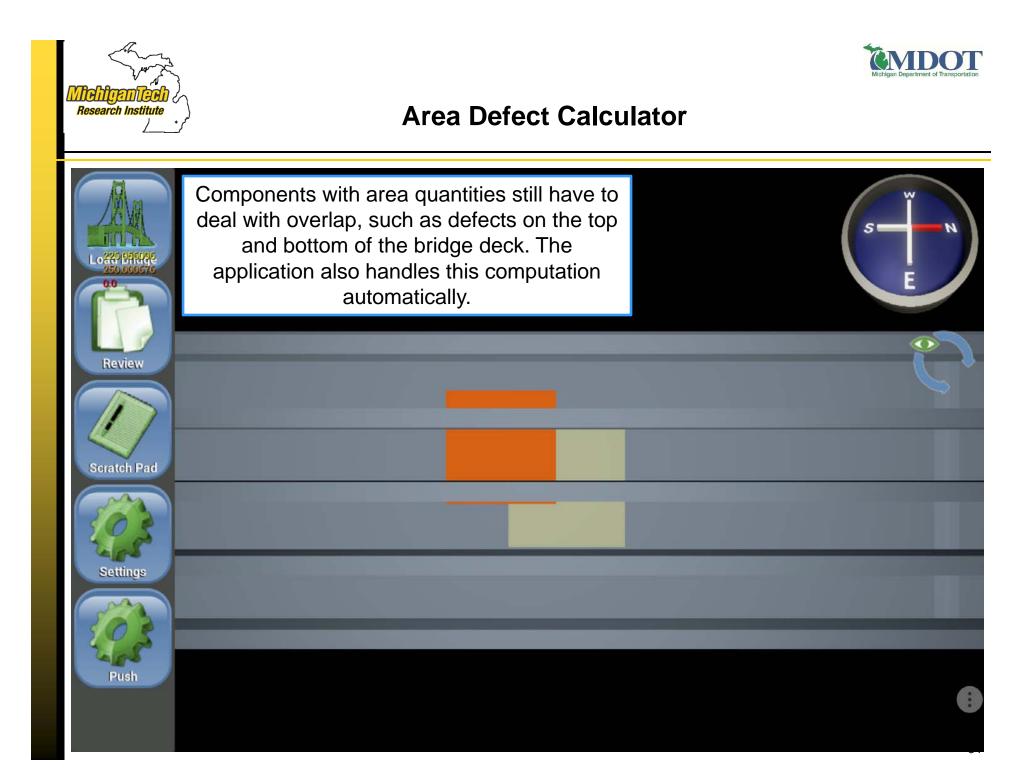






Linear Defect Calculator: abutments example (new)





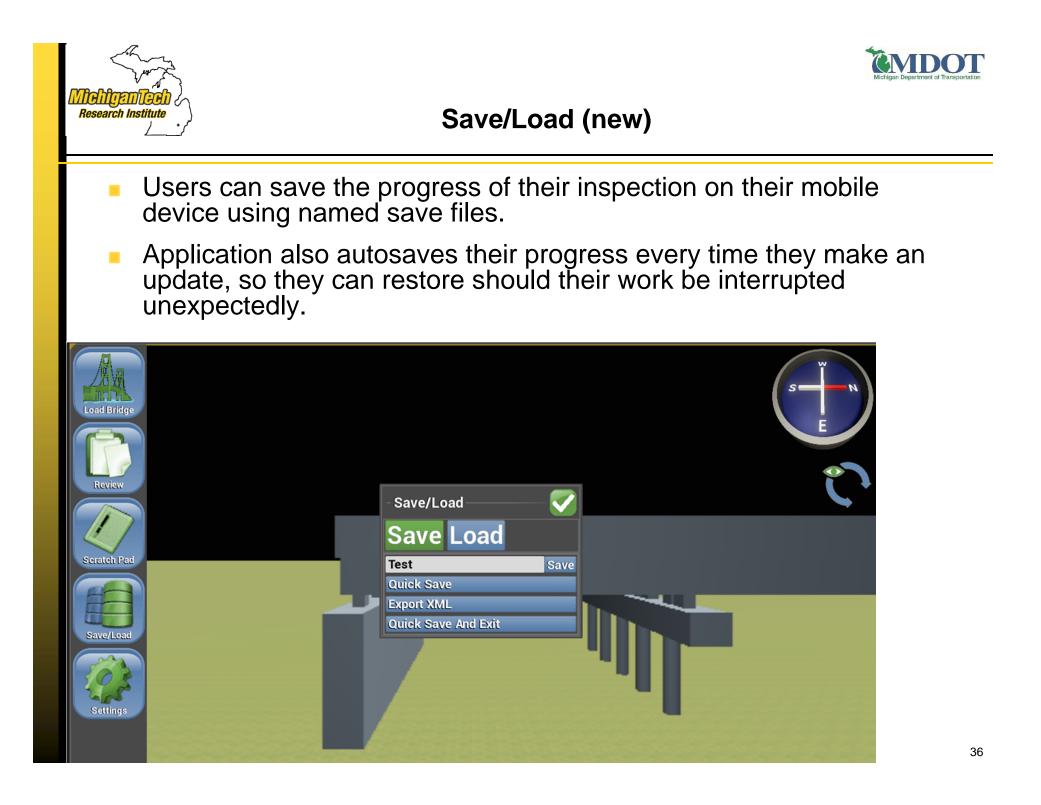




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Linear/Area Defect Calculator

	Bridge Review										
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El	ement Number	Element Name	Unit	Quantity	Good	Fair	Poor	Severe			
	Decks/Slabs		Units	Total Quantity	CS1	CS2	CS3	CS4			
	Superstructure		Units	Total Quantity	CS1	CS2	CS3	CS4			
∇	Substructure		Units	Total Quantity	CS1	CS2	CS3	CS4			
∇	215	Reinforced Concrete Abutment	feet	112	96 86%	5 4%	10 9%	0 0%			
	215	Delamination/Spall/Patched Area	feet	10				0			
	215	Exposed Rebar	feet	10	/		0	0			
	Bearings		Units	Total Quantity	cs	CS2	CS3	CS4			
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Save/Load

- Load menu gives a list of all save slots, selecting a save slot will list the bridge id, location, and date the save was created.
 - Can also delete unneeded/old saves

Load Bridge Review			
Scratch Pad	-Save/Load Save Load		
Save/Load	Quicksave Autosave Test	Test 81181103000S130 CURTIS ROAD 2017.01.23-18.53.37 Load Confirm Delete Delete Save	
Settings	Quick Load Import XML		





XML Import/Export

- It was necessary to develop a system to import/export data from the MDOT Bridge Management Database.
 - Would like to replace this with direct write to BrM 5.2.3 as its implemented by MDOT, with appropriate review
- All relevant data can be saved in an XML file for later upload to the database management system
 - While not as convenient as a direct uplink, it is also independent from MDOT's database (could be readily adapted to work with other database systems, as the bridge app does not need to change)





XML cont'd

<aashto_number>331</aashto_number>

<parent_key>0</parent_key>
<total quantity>652.992092328</total quantity>

<role>Other Elements</role>

<unit>feet</unit>

</aashto element>

-<aashto_element>

<aashto_number>321</aashto_number>

<parent_key>0</parent_key>

<total_quantity>2969.92778296</total_quantity>

<role>Other Elements</role>

<unit>sq feet</unit>

</aashto_element>

- </aashto_elements>
- <defects>
- -<defect>

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<aspect>1.0</aspect>

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<severity>2</severity>

<comment>narg</comment>

<element>331</element>

<type>1130</type>

linear>0</linear>

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<role>1</role>
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<parent location X="4968.179688" Y="1332.418823" Z="744.254028"/>
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</defect>

</defects>

</bridge>

- XML contains the data needed to build the bridge model, previous NBI data, and current NBI ratings and bridge defects.
 - Does not currently contain photos, but all other defect information is stored
 - Photos are still on the tablet device and could be uploaded with whatever method is currently in place to deal with inspection photos.
- Exported XML files can be imported back into the app on any device.
 - Behaves like a save file, restoring the inspection to the state it was at when exported.





The Application is Cross-Platform

- The 3D B^{RIDG}E App is compatible with Windows and Android, and iOS.
 - Unreal Engine platform is cross-platform compatible











Benefits

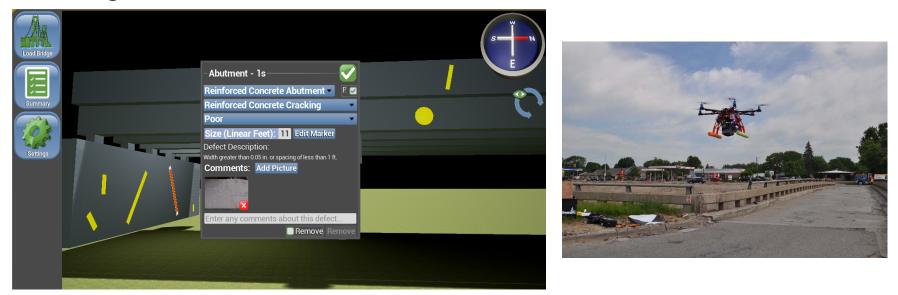
- Benefits of using a location-specific 3D interface extend beyond inspection, but also a tool for future asset management
 - 3D B^{RIDG}E App enables this future
- Enables transportation agency users (MDOT, etc.) to tie condition and deterioration of one component to related components
- Improves forecasting of condition, bridge needs
 - Leads to better, more efficient asset management





The Future of Bridge Inspections

3D B^{RIDG}E app is a key component towards the future goal of utilizing 3D models to monitor and review a bridge throughout its lifetime.



Next steps:

- MDOT: full implementation after BrM 5.2.3 deployment & integration, expand to more bridge types, user enhancements
- integrate other distress data (from NDT / remote sensing / UAV platforms / other sources)
- Other states: Interest in version for other states
- National: could be a national tool; interested in AASHTOWare BrM integration; complex / big bridge application



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