



**SIMCO**

An Introduction to  
**STADIUM<sup>®</sup>**

Service Life Prediction Software  
for Optimal Management of Concrete Infrastructure

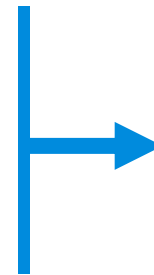
# The Challenge

- Most Design/Build and Signature Bridge Projects have design criteria requiring structures to be designed for a 100 year (or longer) service life
- Current U.S. codes & standards provide little guidance to assist engineers in achieving those requirements

# Design Life vs Service Life\*

## Design Life

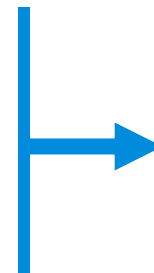
Period of time on which the statistical derivation of transient loads is based (75 years)



**Safety**

## Service Life

Period of time that the bridge is expected to be in operation



**Durability**

\* **AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications – Section 1.2 – Definitions**

# STADIUM<sup>®</sup> vs Others

Considered Mechanisms	Others	STADIUM <sup>®</sup> 2.99	STADIUM <sup>®</sup> 3.0 (2012)
Multiple transport mechanisms (coupled)		✓	✓
Chemical activity effects		✓	✓
Chemical degradation		✓	✓
Local conditions (humidity and temperature)	Temp. only	✓	✓
Local materials		✓	✓
Unsaturated/Saturated conditions		✓	✓
Existing structures		✓	✓
New structures	✓	✓	✓
Chloride induced corrosion	✓	✓	✓
Sulfate attacks		✓	✓
Membrane/Sealers	Simplified	Advanced Mode	✓
Repair options			✓
Life-cycle cost analysis	✓		✓



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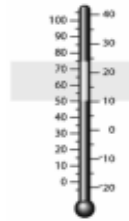
**KNOW  
YOUR  
CONCRETE™**

**A multiphase transport and reaction model**  
that can predict the degradation of cement-based  
materials exposed to a wide range of aggressive  
environments

# STADIUM<sup>®</sup> Approach

## COUPLED TRANSPORT

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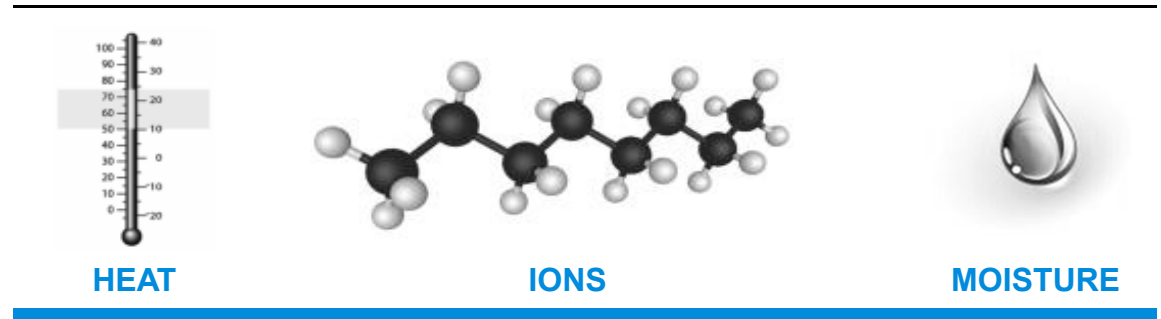
HEAT



IONS



MOISTURE

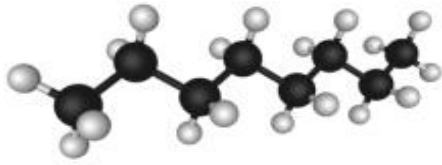


CHEMICAL DAMAGE

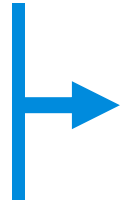


CHEMICAL EQUILIBRIUM

# STADIUM<sup>®</sup> Approach Advanced Modeling



IONS

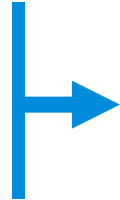


ION TRANSPORT  
IN UNSATURATED  
MEDIA

$$j_i = -wD_i \text{grad}(c_i) - \frac{D_i z_i F}{RT} w c_i \text{grad}(\psi) - w D_i c_i \text{grad}(\ln \gamma_i) - \frac{D_i c_i \ln(\gamma_i c_i)}{T} w \text{grad}(T) - c_i D_w \text{grad}(w)$$



MOISTURE

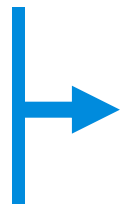


MOISTURE  
TRANSPORT

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial H} \frac{\partial H}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial T} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} - \text{div}(D_{mH} \text{grad}(H) + D_{mT} \text{grad}(T)) = 0$$



CHEMISTRY



CHEMICAL  
EQUILIBRIUM  
MODULE

$$K_m = \prod_{i=1}^N c_i^{v_{mi}} \gamma_i^{v_{mi}} \quad \text{DISSOLUTION/PRECIPITATION}$$

$$K_{ss} = \frac{(\text{Cl})^2}{(C_{ss})^{2/|z|}} \frac{\chi_{ss}}{\chi_{\text{Friedel}}} f_{ss} \quad \text{SOLID SOLUTION}$$

# STADIUM<sup>®</sup> Approach Coupled Transport



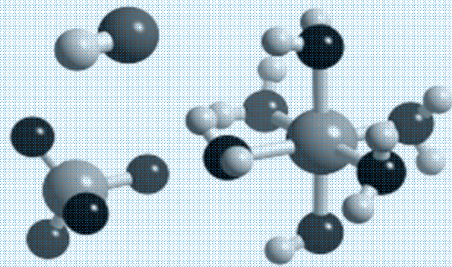
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Moisture  
Transport



Moisture  
Transport



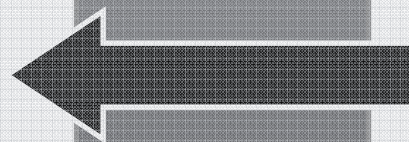
Cl, SO<sub>4</sub>  
and Mg ions  
**penetration**



ETTRINGITE AND  
GYPSUM FORMATION  
BRUCITE FORMATION  
FRIEDEL'S SALT FORMATION



Ca and OH  
**leaching**



CALCIUM HYDROXIDE  
DISSOLUTION  
C-S-H DECALCIFICATION





# An Integrated Solution



LOCAL EXPOSURE CONDITIONS



PROPERTIES OF MATERIALS



PROTECTION SOLUTIONS



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REGISTERED PROGRAM



CHEMICAL DEGRADATION

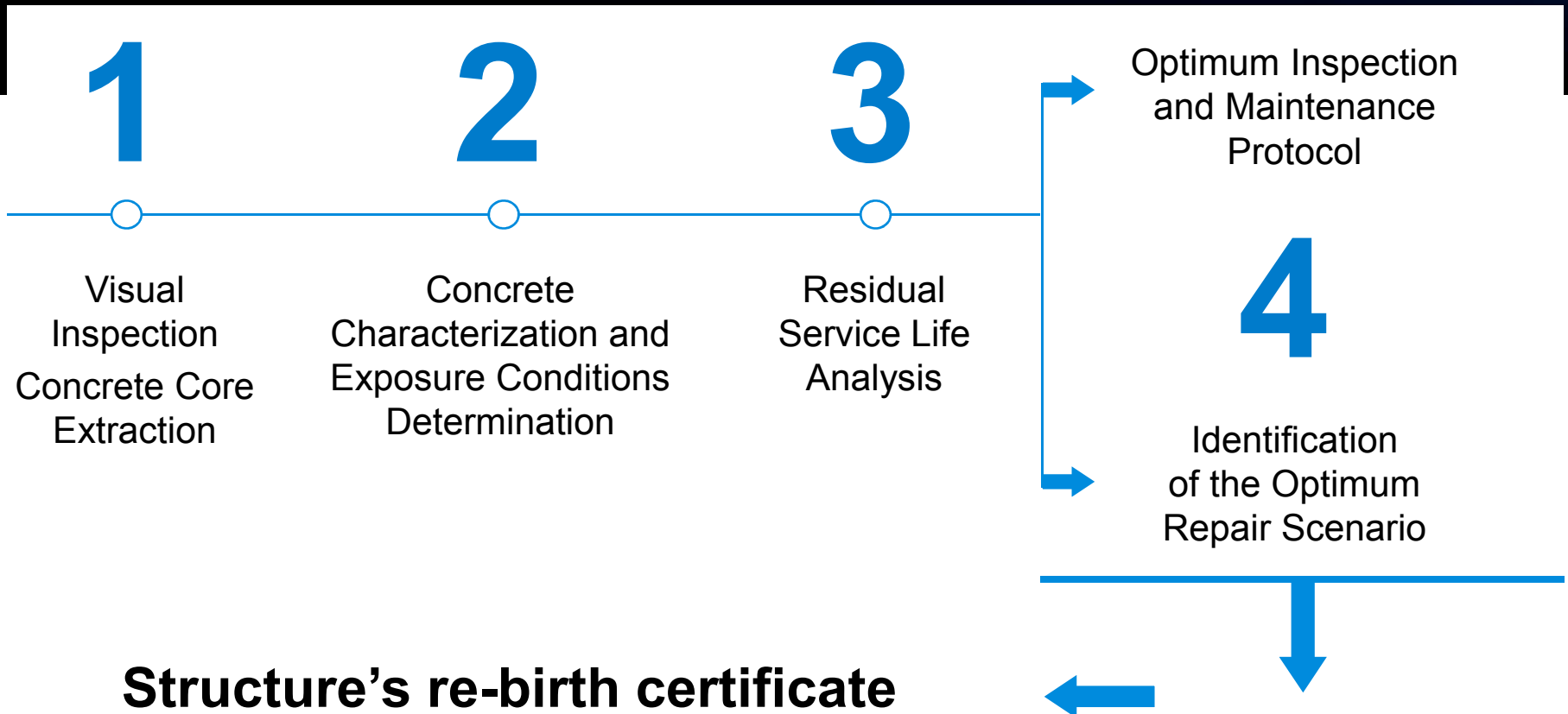


STEEL CORROSION



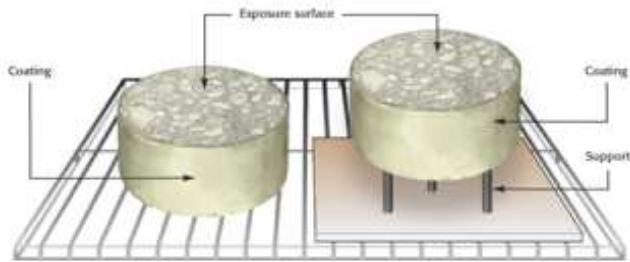
MOISTURE EMISSION

# STADIUM<sup>®</sup> Approach Existing Structure



# STADIUM® Lab Input – Data Determination (IDC/MTC)

## Moisture

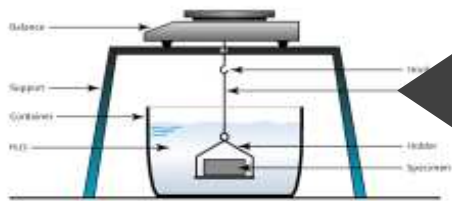


STADIUM® MTC

## Chemical



STADIUM® IDC



ASTM C642

Drying



Migration test



# Parkway Bridges - NJTA

## **Southbound Structure:**

- Year of construction: 1956
- Precast and cast-in-place concrete elements

## **Northbound Structure :**

- Year of construction: 1973
- All elements under investigation were precast



# Visual Inspection



Box Beams



Prestressed Piles



I-Beams



Pile Caps

<b>Element Inventory</b>
<b>Element Rating</b>
<b>Exposure Condition Assessment</b>

Northbound		Southbound	
Box beams	Prestressed piles	I-beams	Pile caps
Deicing salts	Airborne	Deicing salts (web)	Deicing salts
Airborne	Splash zone	Deicing salts (bottom portion)	Airborne
		Airborne	

# Coring Program

**Total number of cores: 56**

**31 cores from the northbound structure:**

- 15 in the box beams
- 16 in the prestressed piles

**25 cores from the southbound structure:**

- 12 in the I-beams
- 13 in the pile caps



# Characterization Test Results

## Concrete Properties

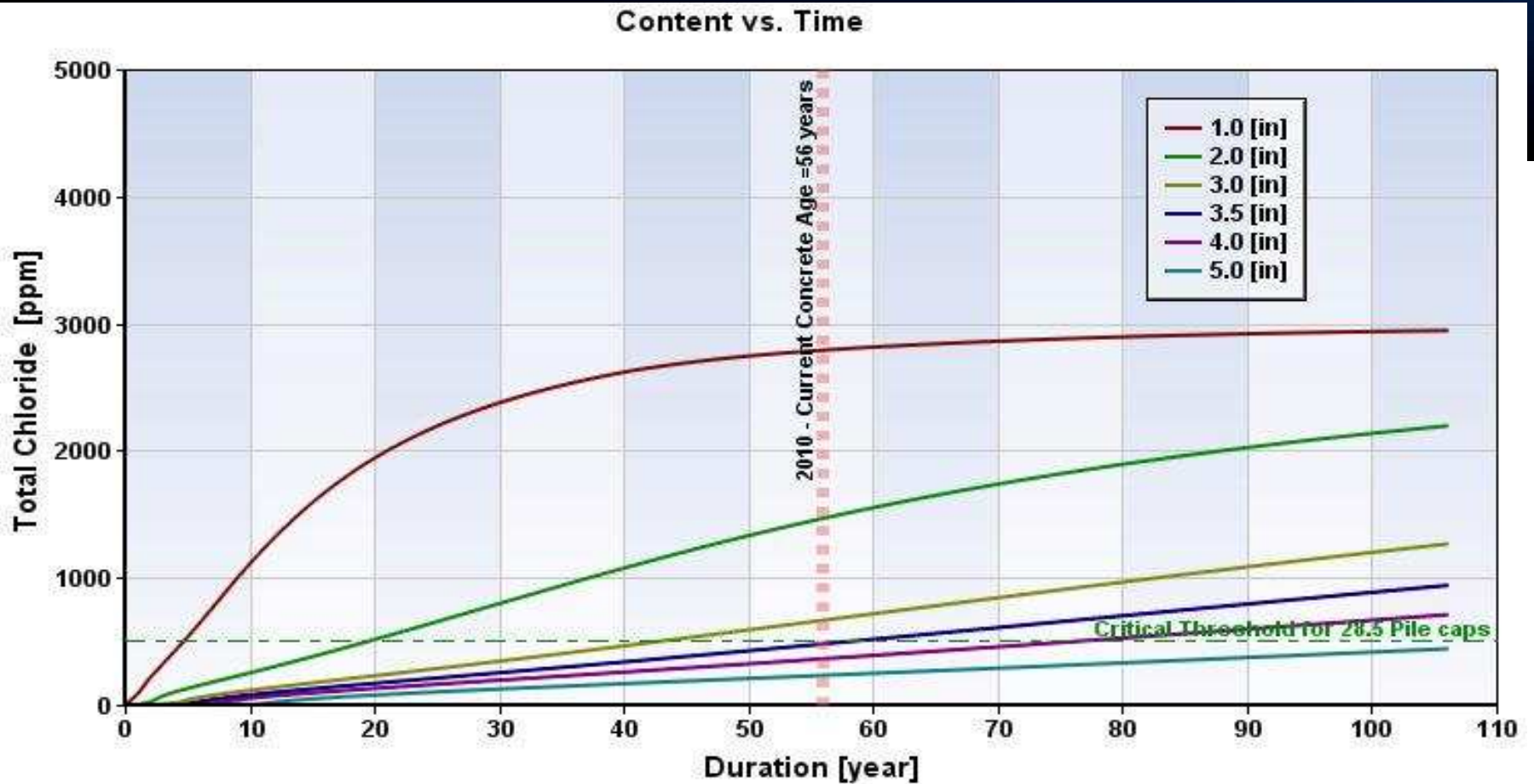
	Box beams	I-beams	Pile caps	Prestressed piles
<b>Volume of Permeable Voids (%)</b>	14.2	12.3	12.0	12.7
<b>Diffusion coefficient (E<sup>-11</sup> m<sup>2</sup>/s)</b>	23.0	18.5	19.0	13.0
<b>Water-binder ratio</b>	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40
<b>Paste vol. (%)</b>	28	32	28	29



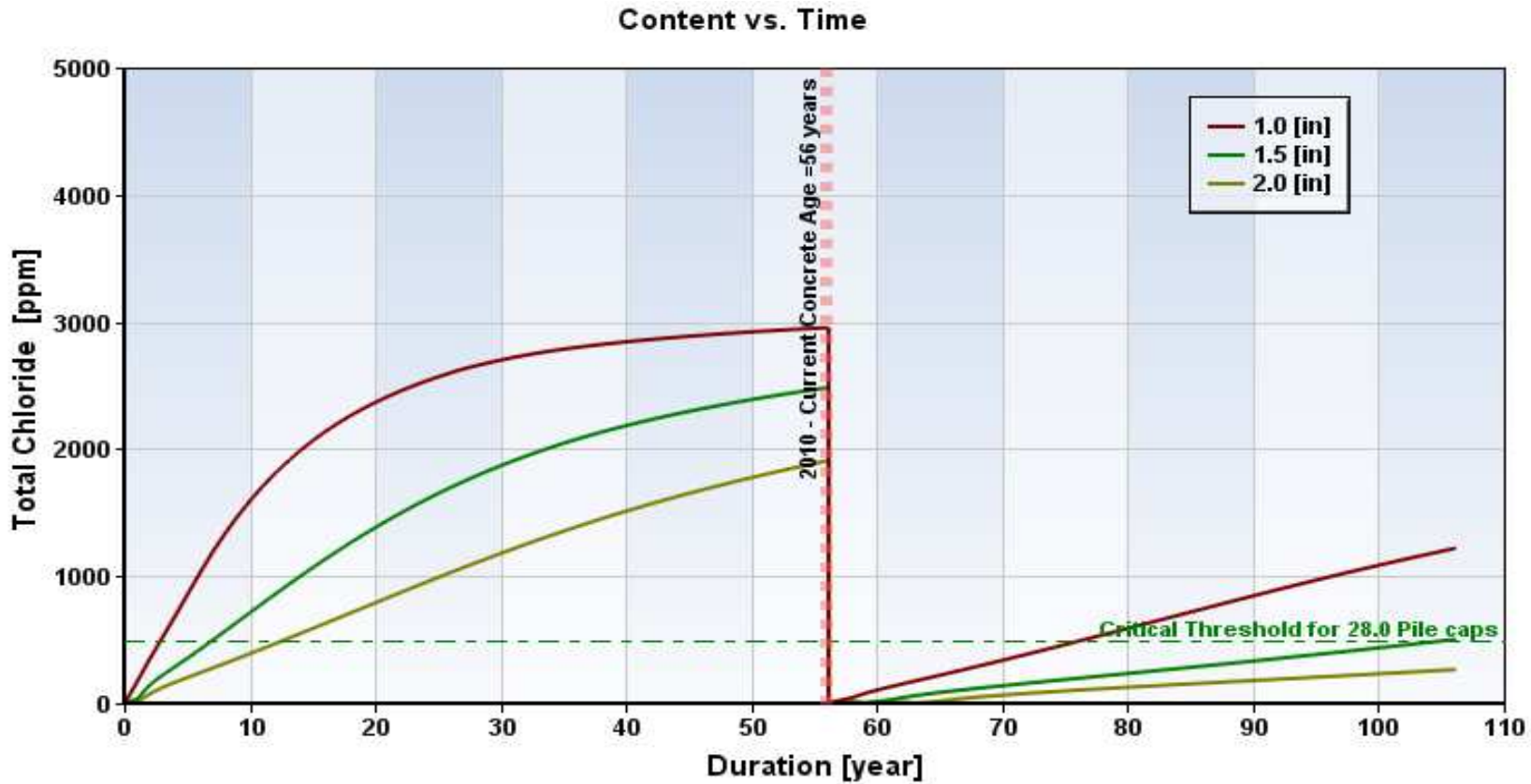
# Numerical Simulation Program

Box beams		I beams		Pile caps		Prestressed piles	
Deicing	Airborne	Deicing (web)	Deicing (bottom)	Deicing	Airborne	Airborne	Splash
No repair		No repair		No repair		No repair	
3 inch repair		2.0 inch repair	3.5 inch repair	2, 3, 6 inches repairs	Sealer every 10 years	Sealer every 10 years	Pile jacket
		Sealer every 10 years					1.5 inch repair with 0, 2 and 4 inch jacket

# Residual Service Life Pile Caps



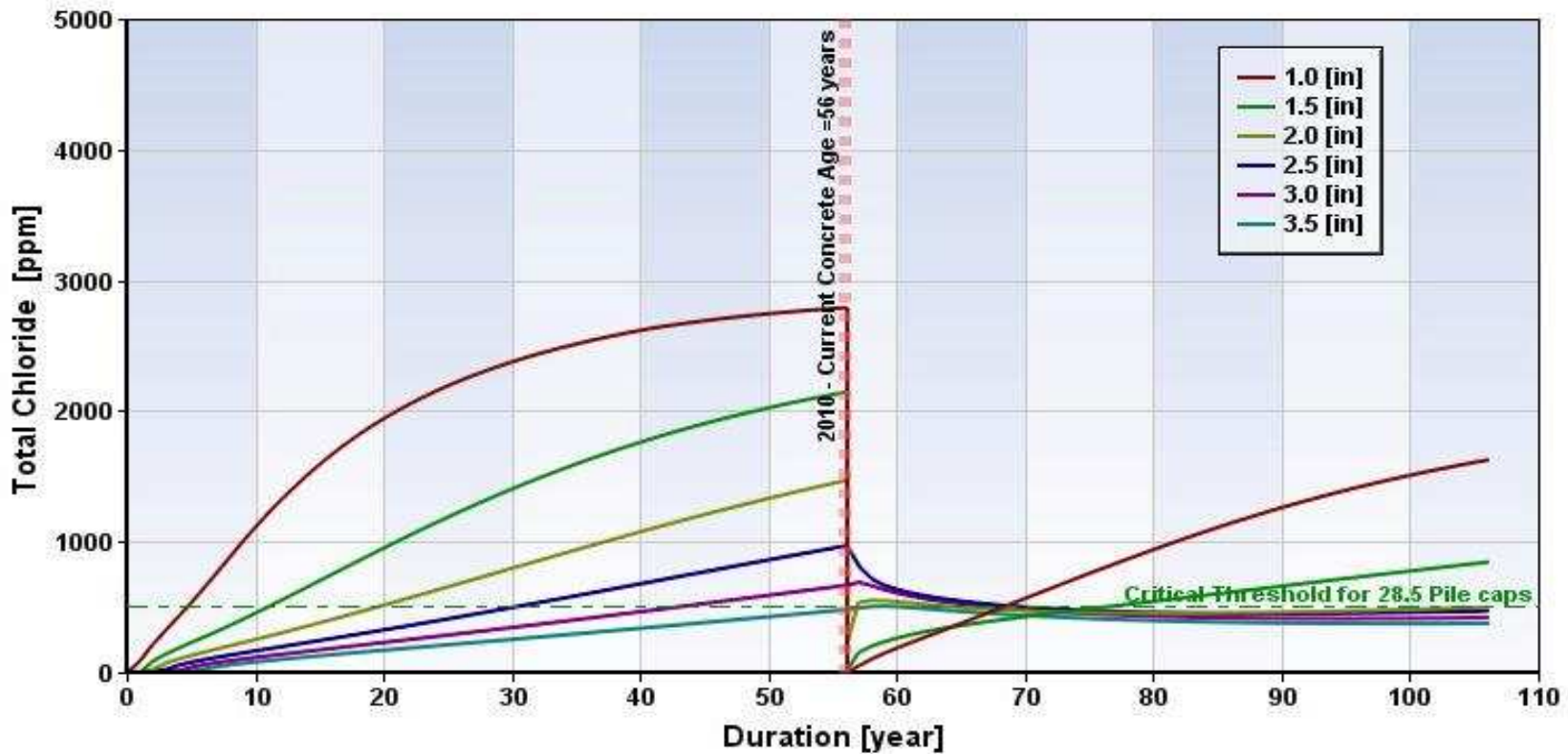
# Pile Caps – Deicing – 6-inch Repair



# Residual Service Life Analysis

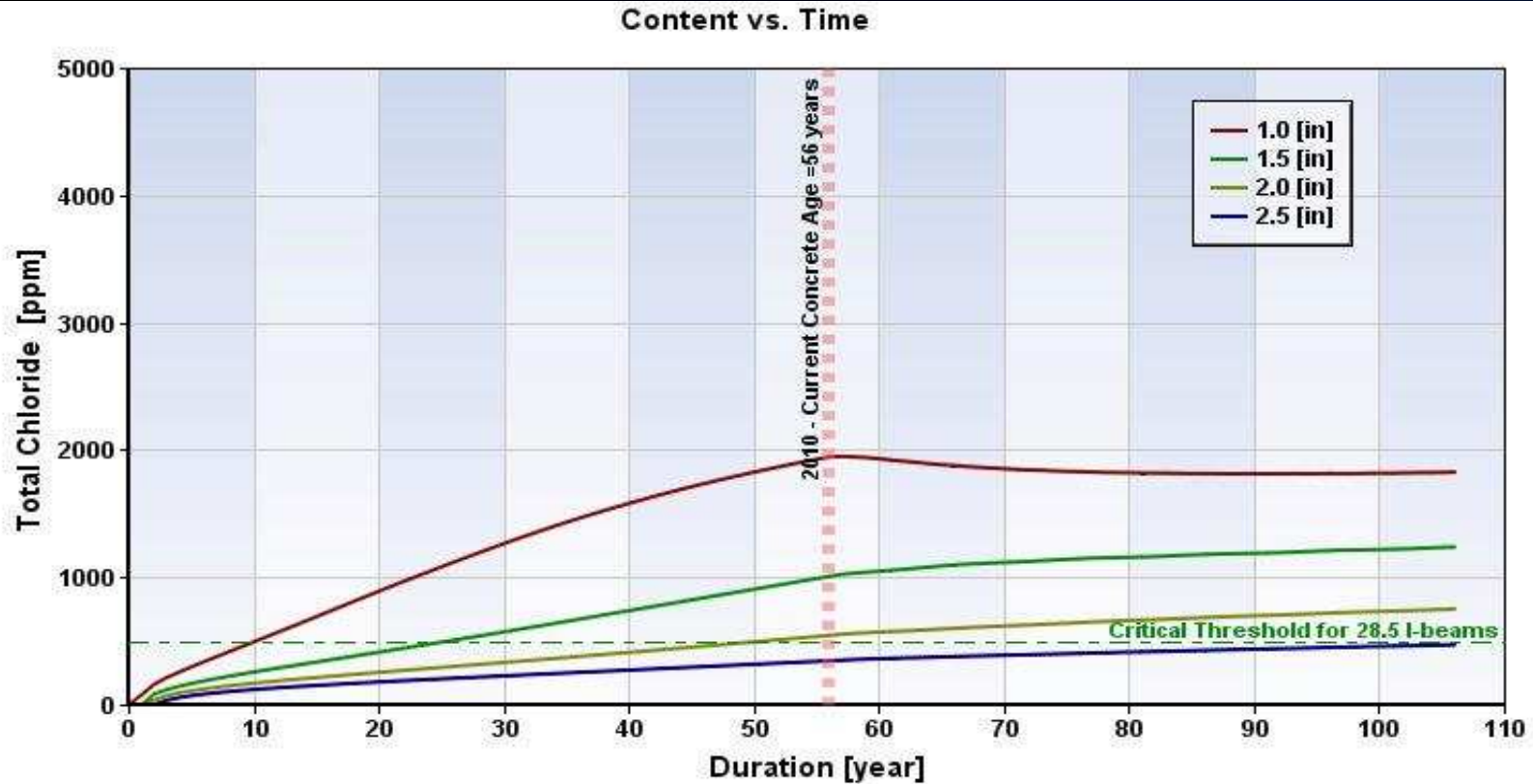
## Pile Caps 2" repair

Content vs. Time



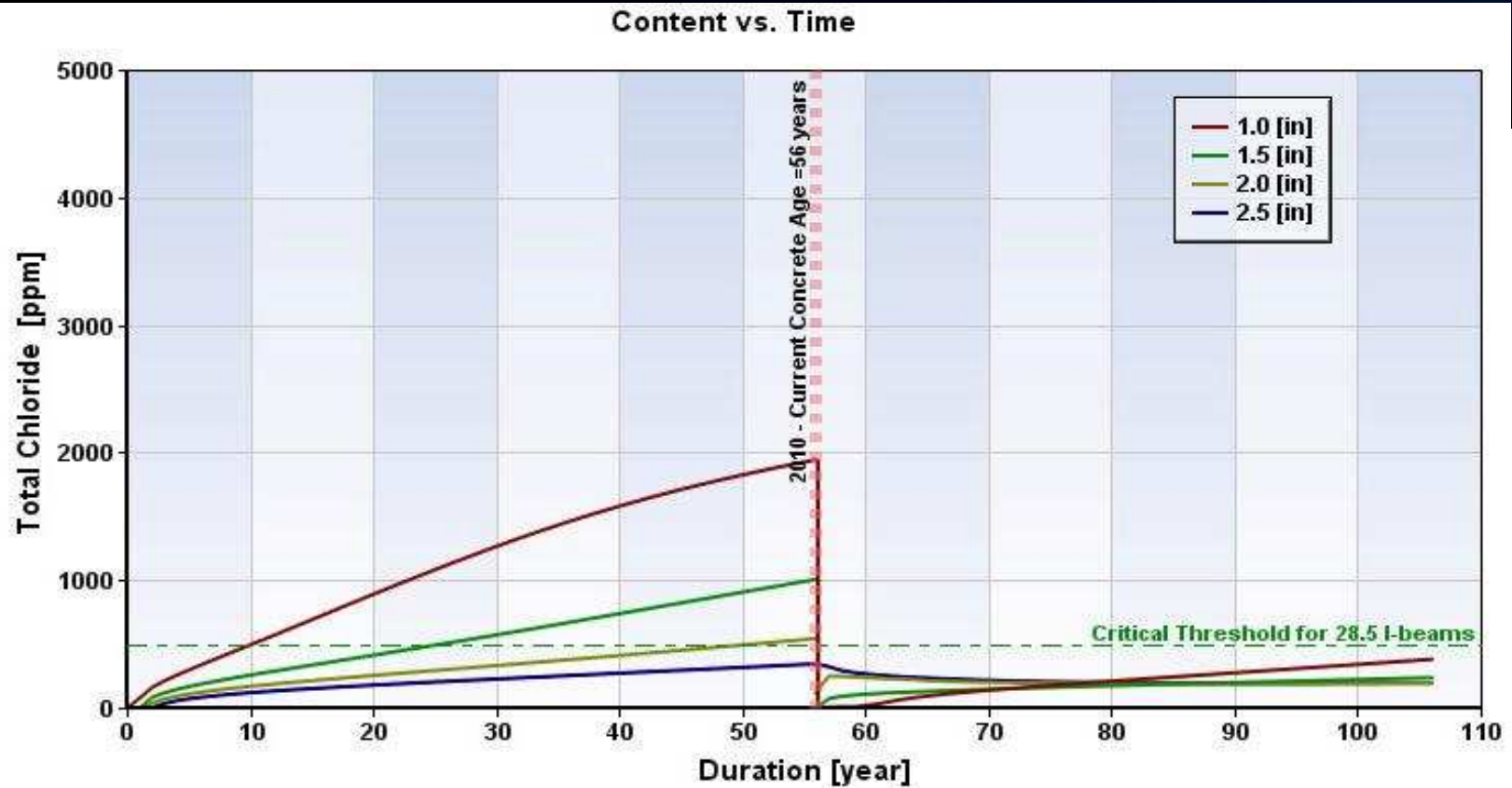
# Residual Service Life

I-Beams (web) sealer every 10 years

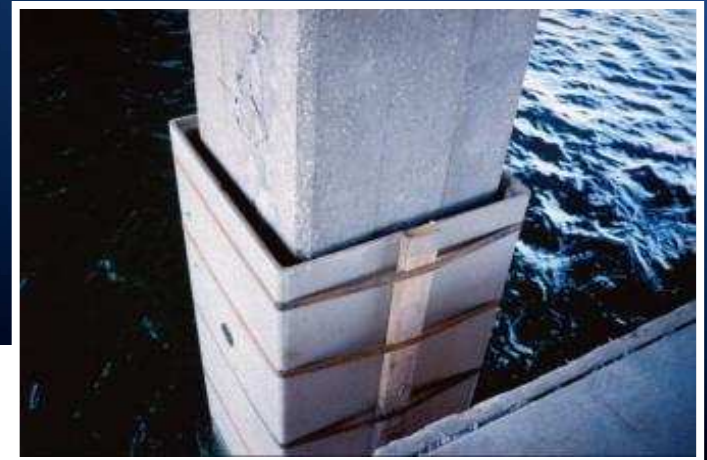


# Residual Service Life

## I-Beams (web) 2" Repair

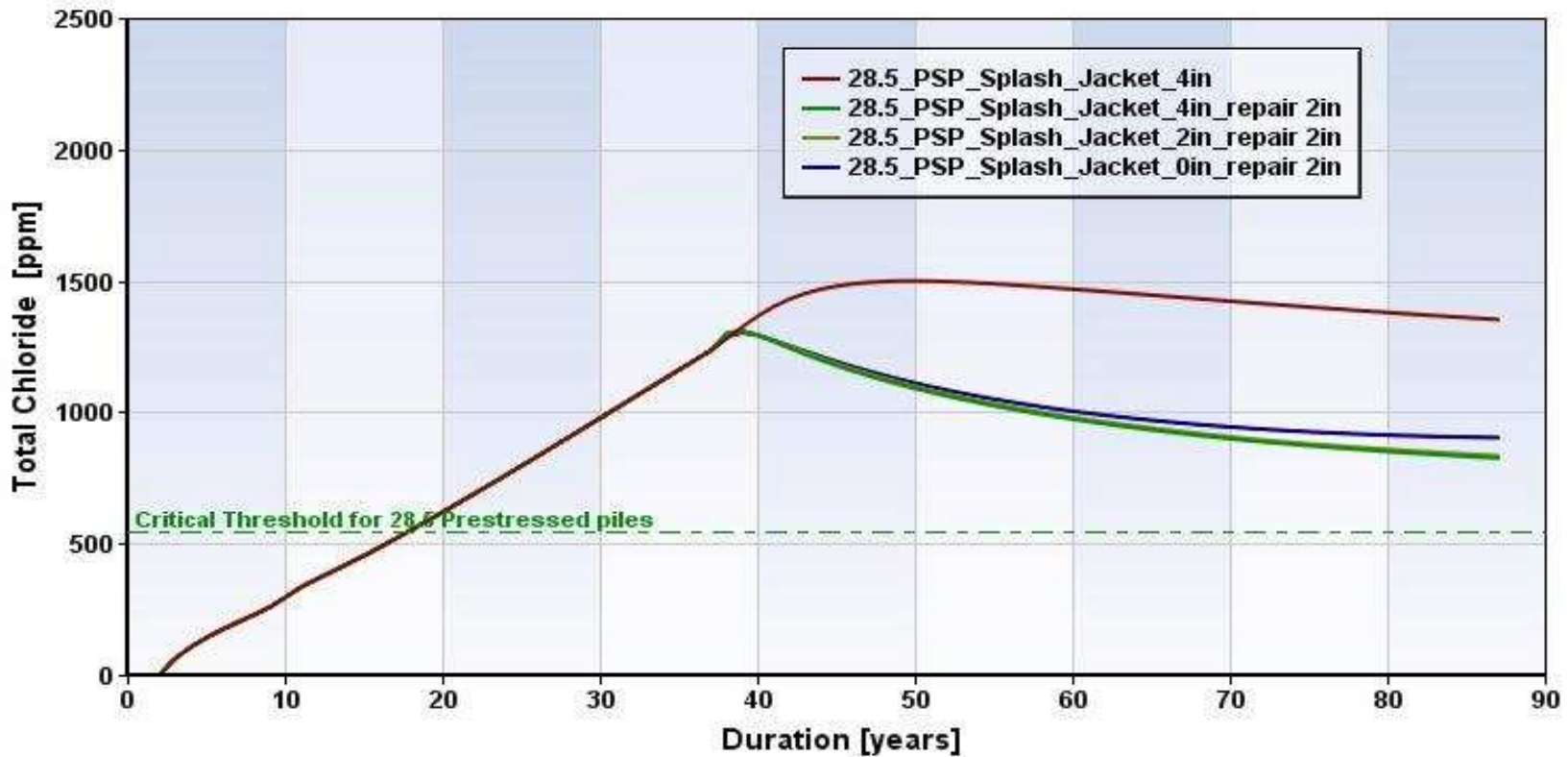


# Residual Service Life



## Pre-stressed Piles (Jackets)

Content vs. Time at 3.5 [in]





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Thank you

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Case  
Studies

Concrete Deterioration and Residual Service Life  
Prediction of a Deteriorated Concrete Overpass



Route 21 SB Viaduct

NEWARK NJ

# SIMCO's - Scope of Work



1. Establish the viability of concrete repair and maintenance scenarios to extend the service life by 25 years
2. Investigation of the condition of the concrete elements (deck and beams)

RT. 21 Viaduct

# New Jersey Experience with STADIUM<sup>®</sup>



**Expansion joints**

**Degradation**

**Concrete piers**

**Restrained bearings**

# Rt. 21 Recommendations

Implementation of a repair and maintenance plan will increase the service life of the existing viaduct by **an additional 25 years.**

## Summary

- Drainage system restoration and maintenance
- Concrete crack repair
- Bearing cleaning/replacement
- Joint replacement
- Sealing of exposed concrete surfaces
- Repair delaminated areas



Bottom Line

**NJDOT Saved - \$130 Million**



PRELIMINARY SCENARIO  
**Full replacement \$150 M**



FINAL RECOMMENDATION  
**\$20 M - 25 yrs extension**

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### Route 21 Southbound Viaduct

“This analysis and the subsequent recommendations saved millions in repairs or a total replacement of the bridge, estimated at costing upwards of \$100 million. [...]”

– *Brian Strizki, New Jersey’s State Transportation Engineer*

# STADIUM<sup>®</sup> New/Existing Structures



- Materials selection
- Mix design optimization
- Concrete characterization
- Prediction of performance
- Life cycle cost analysis
- QA/QC



- Inspection
- Concrete characterization
- Damage analysis
- Residual service life determination
- Optimum maintenance plan  
& Repair scenario
- Life cycle cost analysis