Long-Term Bridge Performance Program

Status Update and LTBP Deterioration Modeling Framework

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Projects at a Glance

**Rutgers**
- Data-Driven Modeling
- Bridge Portal
- Field Data Collection
- Legacy Data Mining
- Other Projects – Drone

**PB**
- NW – SW visual inspection

**Michael Baker**
- Gulf Visual inspection, material sampling

**PSI**
- Legacy Data Mining

**Pennoni**
- WIM
- LTBP Performance Index
- Develop an accelerated testing bridge DB

**Website & Newsletter**
- Protocol Publication
- RABIT Acquisition
Automated Data Collection RABIT™ Bridge Deck Assessment Tool

- Procurement of four autonomous robotic bridge deck assessment tools inclusive of training to LTBP contractors for the proper deployment of the technology in field data collection activities.
RABIT™ Bridge Deck Assessment Tool

Status:

- Development of the software is on-going
- User Manual and Training Curriculum in development
- Validation of RABIT #1 scheduled for September – October.
- Robotic platform for RABIT #2 arrived
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- Status Update
- Data Management
- LTBP Analysis
- Moving Forward
LTBP Program – Bridge Portal Update

- Version 1.1 of the LTBP Bridge Portal is currently in the process of being deployed and will be available through FHWA network (UPACS) very soon.

*Version 1.1 currently being deployed*

*Version 2 expected in 2017*
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Key Underlying Assumptions

• Time is the most significant influence over bridge performance for any set of input and attributes
• The available NBI and NBE data may have errors and variability, but no bias – that is, the mean predictions derived from these data are (on average) representative of the true behavior
  • At this stage this assumption is made for untreated bridge decks, and will need to be revisited for other elements

Framework Characteristics

• Adaptive – has the ability to learn and adapt as new data become available (i.e. to modify, replace, or verify the key assumptions above)
• Comprehensive – is cast in general terms so as to be applicable to a diverse set of performances
• Efficient – makes use of all of the diverse data being collected by the LTBP Program
Two-Pronged Approach

**Top Down**
- Makes use of data available across the entire population of bridges located within clusters
- Employs probabilistic and/or deterministic models to generate deterioration curves based on this data
- Essentially provides a broad context to compare the bridges subjected to higher resolution data collection

**Bottom Up**
- Makes use of data available from legacy data collection, visual inspection, NDE, SHM, material sampling, etc.
- In some cases, the bottom up data maybe “translated” to the NBI/NBE scale to be located with respect to the top-down model
- Through comparison with the top-down models, the level of over- or under-performance of specific bridges can be quantified
- Provides a wealth of data and information to develop and validate quantitative explanations as to why certain bridges over- or under-perform
Step 1 – Top-down deterioration modeling

Approaches may include:

- **Deterministic** – Heuristic-based models, Wenzel et al.
- **Probabilistic** – Markov, Weibull, Hoatian et al., etc.

![Graph showing the relationship between deck performance and age](graph.png)
Step 2 – Locate the specific bridge within the top-down deterioration predictions

Direct use of NBI and/or NBE
Or use of other data such as NDE “translated” to the NBI/NBE scale

Deck Performance (e.g., condition rating 0-9)

Age (years)

Mean

NBI, NBE

NDE

Deterioration curve based on NDE data

Upper bound

Lower bound

Quantification of “under-performance”
Step 3 – Quantify explanatory variables

Quantify bridge-specific inputs and attributes based on bottom-up data collection efforts

- **Environmental Inputs** → Freeze-thaw cycles, hot-dry cycles, temperature range, temperature gradients, precipitation, etc.
- **Live Load** → ADTT, available traffic studies, trucking information, WIM, etc.
- **Preservation & Maintenance** → Number of snow falls greater than 1 in, available records (legacy data collection), common state practices, etc.
- **Design, Structural Characteristics** → Number of modes below 5 Hz, damping levels, actual distribution factors, global stiffness, design details (legacy data collection)
- **Construction Quality** → Available records (legacy data collection), variation of cover, variation of concrete modulus, deviations from design/specification, etc.
Step 4 – Closing the loop – Explanation for observed over- or under-performance

Bridge-Specific Inputs and Attributes
- Environmental Inputs
- Live Load
- Preservation & Maintenance
- Design, Structural Characteristics
- Construction Quality

Quantified level of Over- or Under Performance

Identify correlations between Inputs/Attributes and Over/Under-Performance

As more bottom-up data become available...
- Update, refine, validate key assumptions
- Quantify and model the influence of various inputs and attributes
- Ongoing model refinement and validation
- Updating of data collection approaches
Outcome – Enhanced Predictive Capabilities

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BEAST – Provides full life-cycle data for improved model refinement and validation
LTBP Data-Driven Deterioration Modeling Methodology (D^3M^2)

A modified top down approach to “learning”
Traditional Deterioration Learning Approach

Inherently assume that the chosen model specification best describes deterioration. → **Problematic**

Only very poor fit would motivate new choice of model specifications. → **Compromised Accuracy**

Only one model specification can be considered every time. → **Inability to Incorporate Different Opinions**

ISSUE: Data should determine model specification, not subjective judgments.
Ideally...

Data (to drive learning)

Determine Deterioration Model Specification

Estimate Model Suitability with Data

Subsequent Data Update

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Traditional Deterioration Learning Approach - Modified
Incorporate the "Learning of Model Specification"

- Propose multiple models of different types
- Allow different opinions to be simultaneously considered

LTBP Data-Driven Deterioration Modeling Methodology (D³M²)
Assign Weights to Proposed Models

Initial weights are assumed – consider weights as *prior probabilities* of each model being the true model.
Learning is in the form of updating weights of each model using data.

- Evaluate the probability of observing new/next data set given each candidate model
  - Alternatively, how much each candidate model agrees with data
- Update the weights of the models based on the probabilities
  - Models with greater likelihoods (higher probability of observance) gain more weight
    -- they agree more closely with the data
Demonstration of the D³M² Concept Using Data Collected from the LTBP Program VA Pilot Bridge
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LTBP Data-Driven Deterioration Modeling Methodology
(D³M²)

VA Pilot Bridge – Haymarket VA
- Constructed in 1979
- Single Index Learning – One Data Source - Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) Data on VA Pilot Bridge
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Modeling

- Accountable variables: \textit{AGE}
- \textit{GPR} at $T_a$ vs. \textit{GPR} at $T_b$
Demonstration of the $D^3M^2$ Concept Using Data Collected from the LTBP Program VA Pilot Bridge

Propose Candidate Models

Model Type 1: $GPR_{Tb} =$

$$GPR_{Ta} \cdot \exp(\alpha + \beta_T \cdot (T_b - T_a) + \varepsilon)$$

$$\varepsilon \sim N(0, (T_b - T_a)^2 \cdot \sigma^2)$$

- $\alpha = -0.30$
- $\beta_T = 0.20$
- $\sigma^2 = 0.08^2$

Model Type 2: $GPR_{Tb} =$

$$\mu + GPR_{Ta} \cdot \beta_{GPR} \cdot (T_b - T_a) + \delta$$

$$\delta \sim N(0, (T_b - T_a)^2 \cdot \varphi^2)$$

- $\mu = -10$
- $\beta_{GPR} = 0.25$
- $\varphi^2 = 5^2$

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Assumed Initial Weights

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\[
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\( \varepsilon \sim N(0, (T_b - T_a)^2 \cdot \sigma^2) \)

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- \( \beta_T = 0.20 \)
- \( \sigma^2 = 0.08^2 \)
- \( 20\% \)

Model Type 2: \( GPR_{T_b} = \)

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- \( \mu = -10 \)
- \( \beta_{GPR} = 0.25 \)
- \( \sigma^2 = 0.04^2 \)
- \( 10\% \)

- \( \mu = -8 \)
- \( \beta_{GPR} = 0.50 \)
- \( \sigma^2 = 0.07^2 \)
- \( 15\% \)

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Learning with 2009 – 2011 data (*updating weights*)

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Distinct Results

- Confidence ~100%
- Agency might not trust learning results
- Readjust the weights
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Learning with **2011 – 2014** data (*updating weights*)

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Learning is flexible and can be corrected any time

Models can be added or removed any time
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Remove Candidate Models with 0% Weights

Model Type 1: $GPR_{T_b} = GPR_{T_a} \cdot \exp(\alpha + \beta_T \cdot (T_b-T_a) + \varepsilon)$

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- 0%

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- $\sigma^2 = 0.07^2$
- 100%

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- $\beta_T = 0.25$
- $\sigma^2 = 0.04^2$
- 0%

Model Type 2: $GPR_{T_b} = \mu + GPR_{T_a} \cdot \beta_{GPR} \cdot (T_b-T_a) + \delta$

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Add New Candidate Models → Refined Learning

Model Type 1: $GPR_{T_b} =$

$$GPR_{T_a} \cdot \exp(\alpha + \beta_T \cdot (T_b - T_a) + \epsilon)$$

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100% Equal Weights

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Equal Weights

25%  \\
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$\alpha = -0.31$ 
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$\sigma^2 = 0.07^2$ 
87.49%

$\alpha = -0.30$ 
$\beta_T = 0.25$ 
$\sigma^2 = 0.07^2$ 
11.84%

$\alpha = -0.30$ 
$\beta_T = 0.26$ 
$\sigma^2 = 0.07^2$ 
0.08%

$\alpha = -0.31$ 
$\beta_T = 0.26$ 
$\sigma^2 = 0.07^2$ 
0.59%

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- Multi-Index Learning
  - Indices reflect the condition of the same element: *inevitably correlated*
  - Essential for D³M² to simultaneously learn multiple indices
  - E.g. GPR & Half-Cell Potential (HCP)

Model Type Example

\[ GPR_{T_b} = GPR_{T_a} \cdot \exp(\alpha + \beta_{GPR} \cdot (T_b - T_a) + \varepsilon) \]

\[ HCP_{T_b} = \omega \cdot HCP_{T_a} + \beta_{HCP} \cdot (T_b - T_a) + \delta \]

The ability to model and forecast individual indices allows us to forecast bridge conditions, and accordingly make optimal repair decisions.
What are the Implications of Proposed Data-Driven Modeling Approach?

Forecasting Ground Penetrating Radar Results (Bridge Decks)

Once enough data is collected and model is validated, it can be used for forecasting purposes. This could be done for ALL data collected by LTBP.

Forecast data
Where Are We Now?

A Beta Version of Deterioration Modeling Application has been developed for NBI and NDE data and incorporated into the Bridge Portal.

Conversations with Pilot States (NY, NJ, etc.) on validating the Deterioration Modeling Application.

We Need Historical Data – Core Elements OK!!
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- LTBP Data Collection
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- Moving Forward
There is substantial overlap in the six identified high priority bridge performance issues after considering either treated or untreated decks. The current focus is on field efforts.
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Refocus Field Efforts

Protocols Available Now!
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