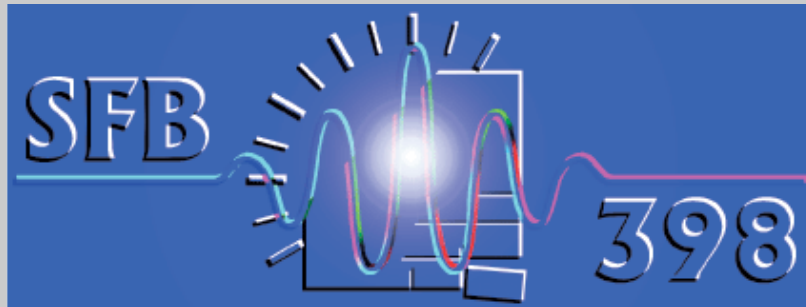


***Lifetime Oriented Design Concepts under Aspects of Degradation***

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# Basic Qualities of Buildings and their Construction

- technical safety (for all the expected lifetime),
  - sustainability (for us and for following generations),
  - harmony with nature, also with human nature, now and in future.
- qualities not only for now, but reaching into the future



**Prognostical methodology needed**

# Survey

## **in the focus of SFB 398:**

Concrete (reinforced, in case: prestressed) structures,  
steel and composite structures, as well as their foundations  
→ load carrying components of a building

## **not focussed:**

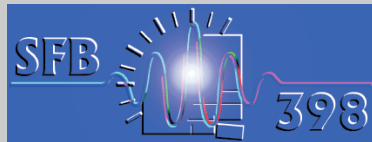
Interior and facade components, technical equipment etc.;  
in general with shorter life cycles  
→ in principle, same methodology can be used,  
but life cycle differences must be accounted for

**The following synopsis refers to structural concrete, only.**

# Lifetime Related Aspects of Structural Concrete

Appropriate Quality Assurance (QA) for structural design, detailing and execution

## Lifetime oriented design concepts



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Own basic SFB 398 research

Resistance against fatigue (cyclic loading)

Resistance against frost (-thaw cycles)

Simulations for combined mechanical and chemical processes and propagations

Integrated design concepts

## Durability

Integrated from outside into SFB 398 models and concepts

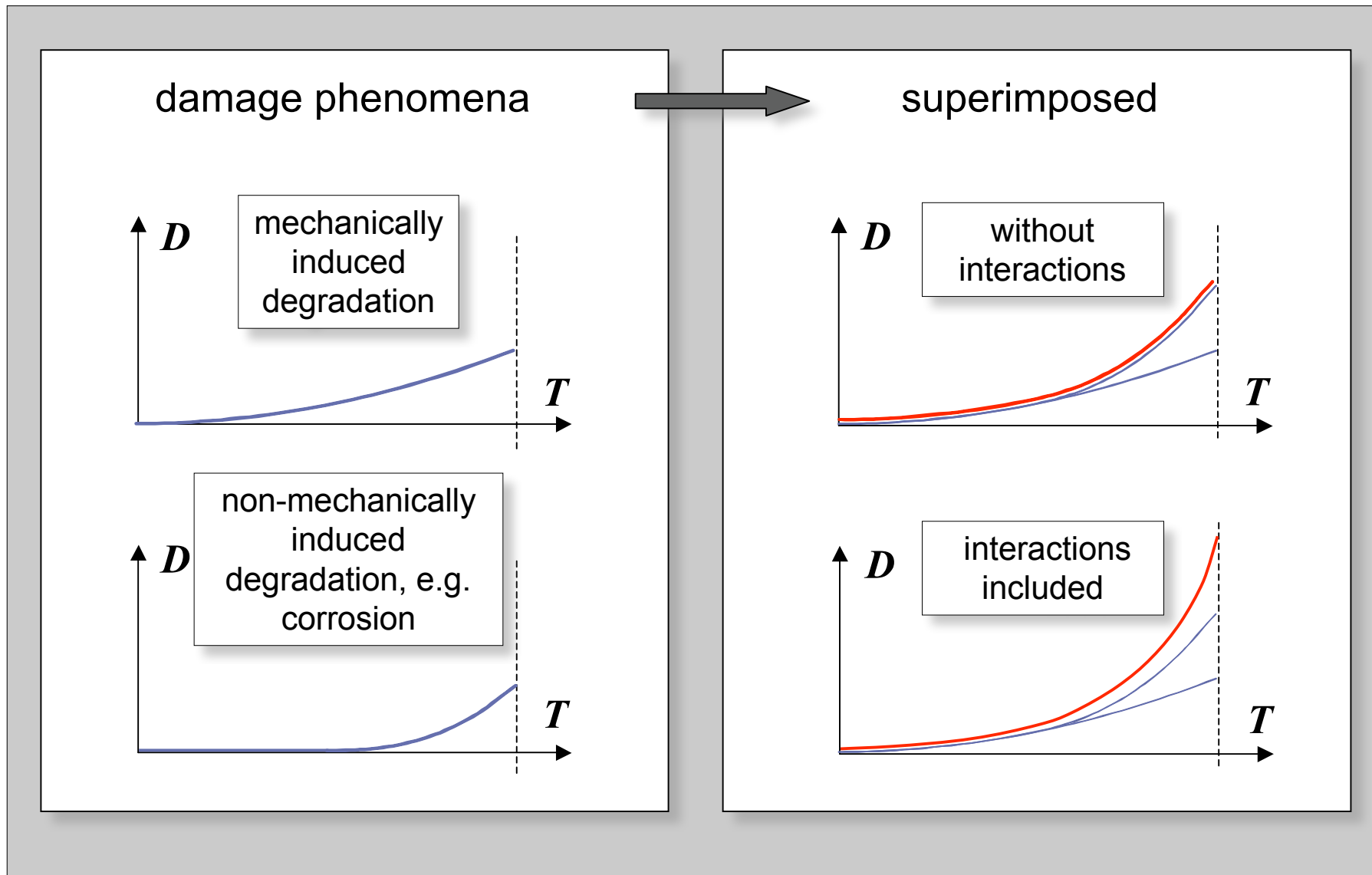
Resistance against abrasion

Chemical durability against substances penetrating from outside

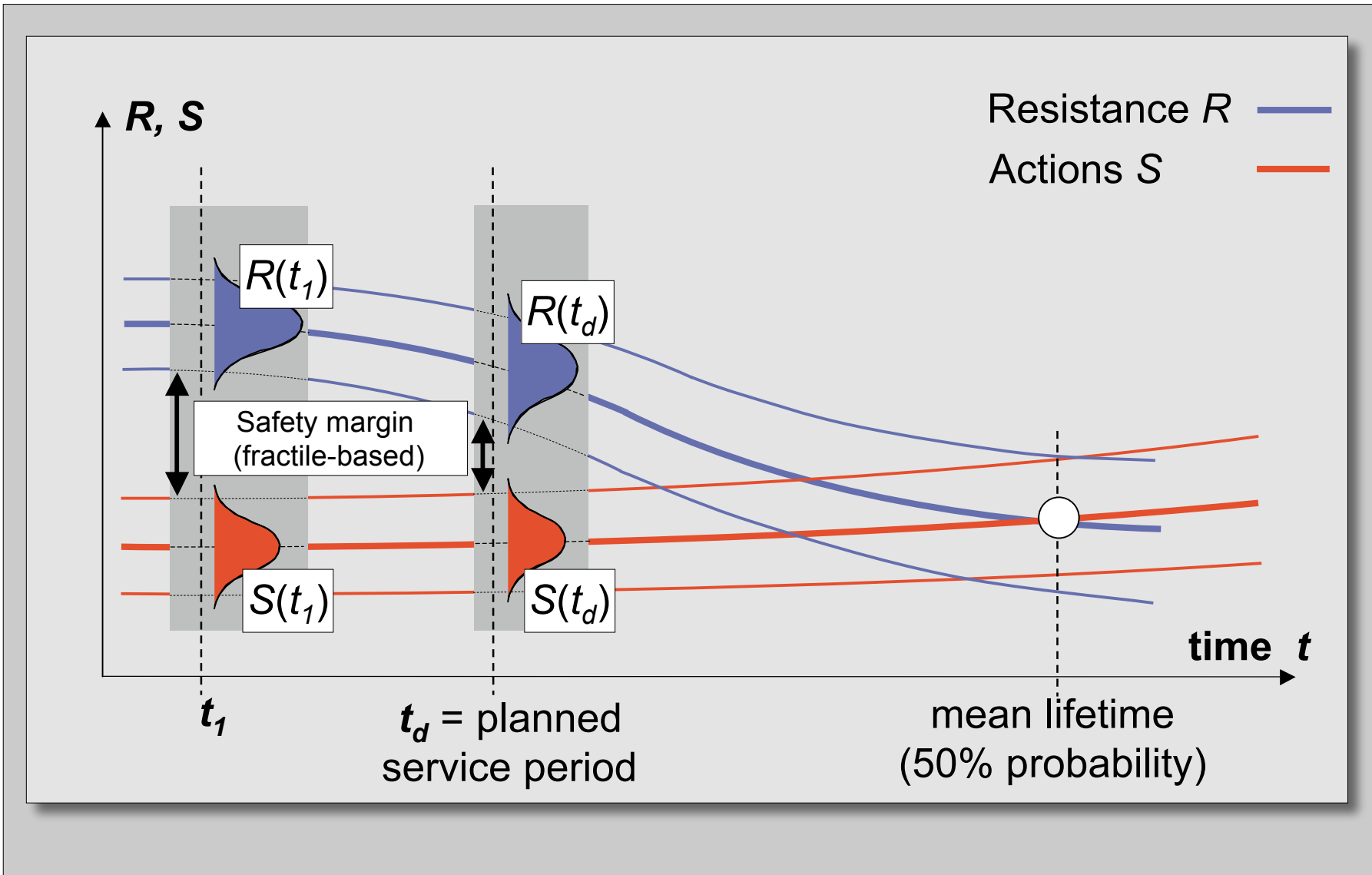
Corrosion protection of reinforcing steel in concrete:

- ▣ carbonation
- ▣ penetration of chlorides
- ▣ further deteriorations

# Evolution of Degradation



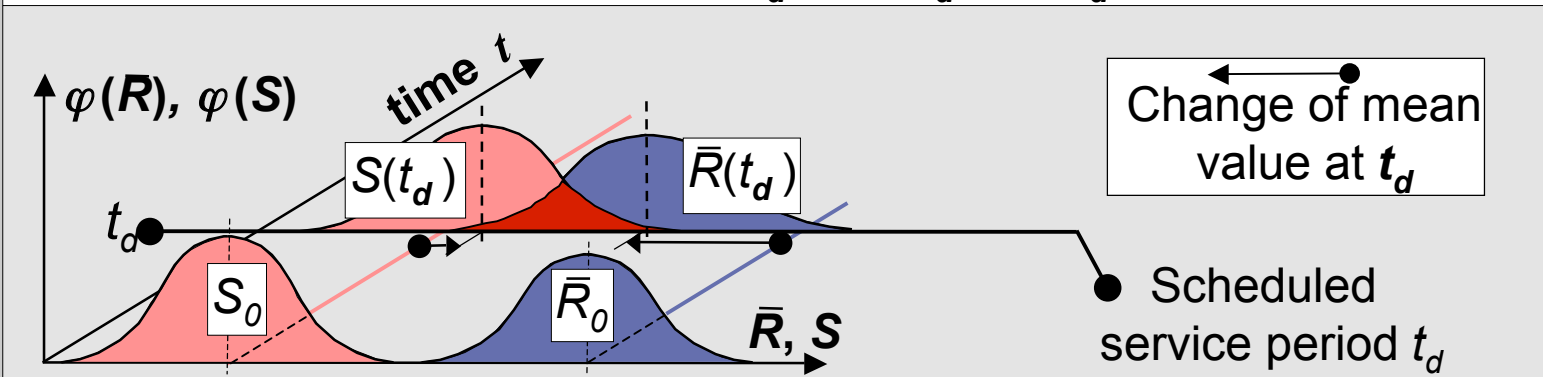
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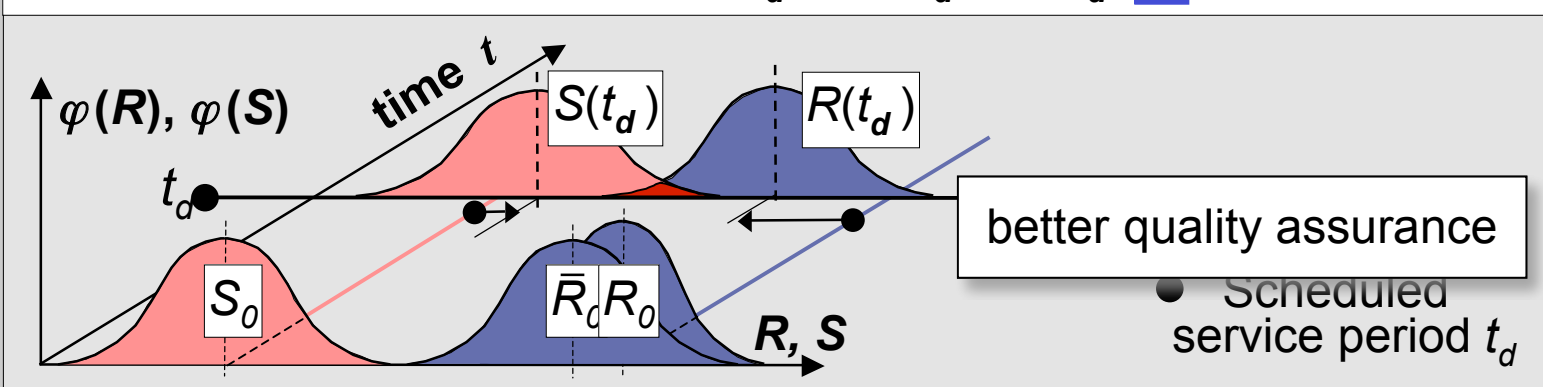
At time  $t_d$  unacceptable design

Safety margin :  $Z(t_d) = \bar{R}(t_d) - S(t_d) <$  scheduled value



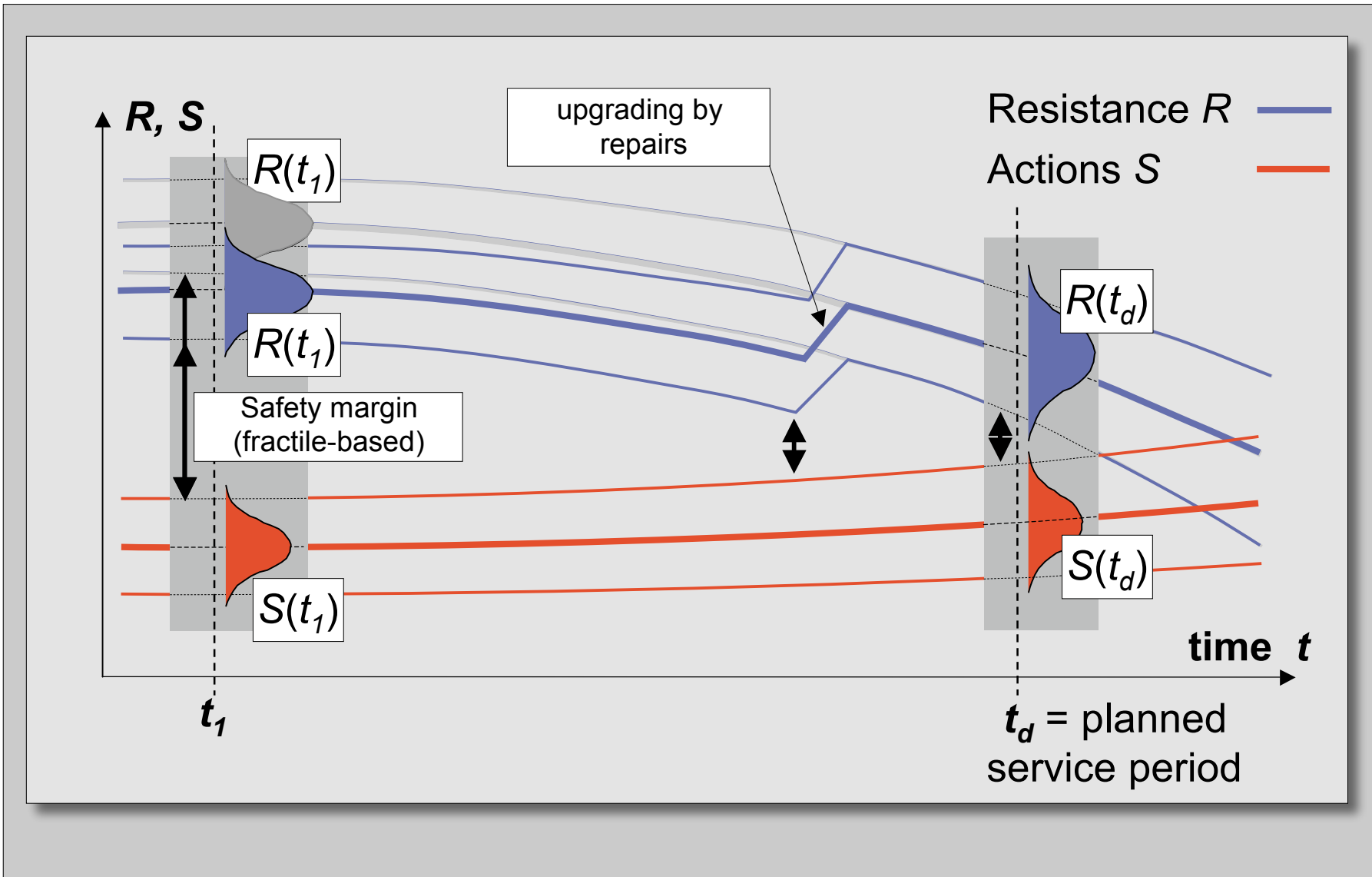
Improved design, at time  $t_d$  acceptable

Safety margin:  $Z(t_d) = R(t_d) - S(t_d) \geq$  scheduled value





# Time-dependent Reliability of Structures



# Building Classes

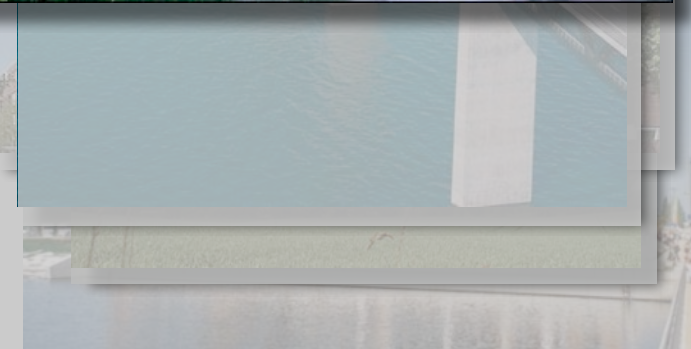
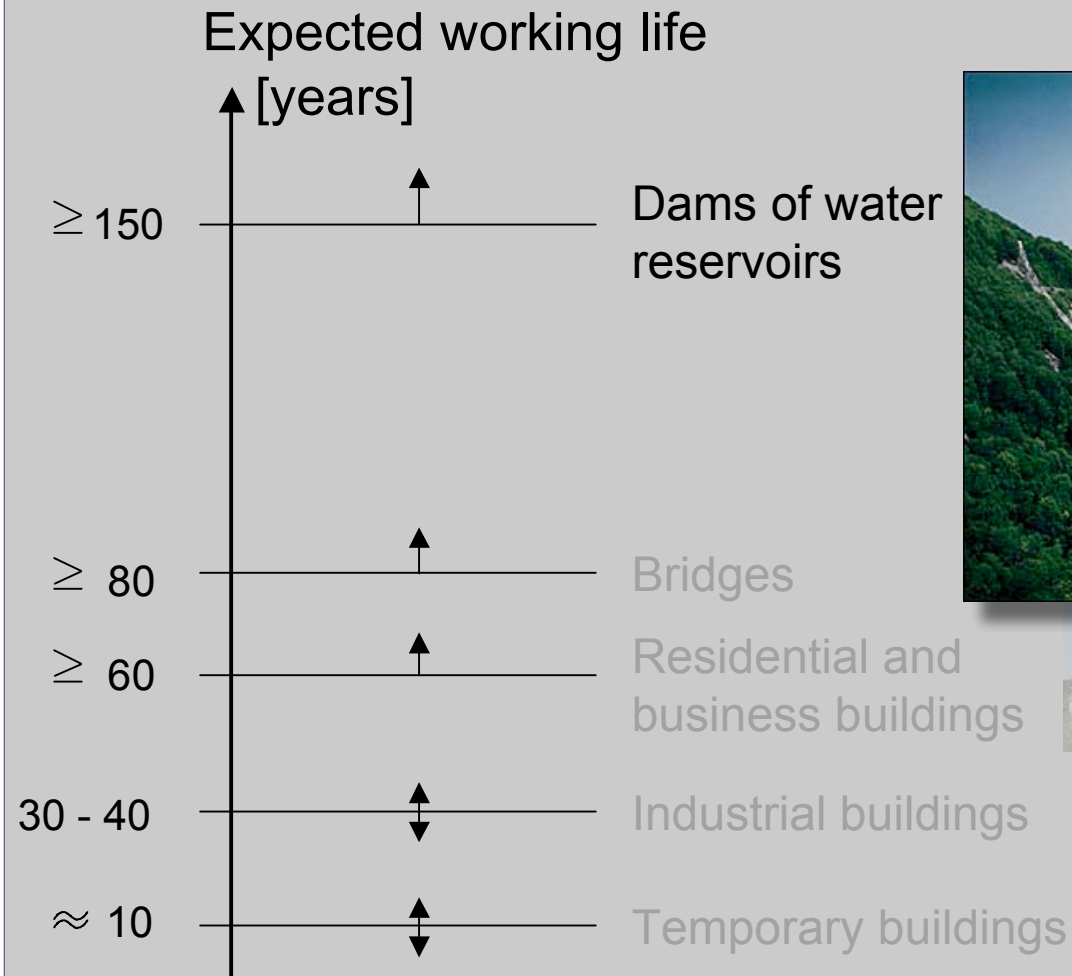
## Problems

- Standard design without account for different service lives; almost no differentiation.
- The service life often is not long enough, without unplanned repairs.

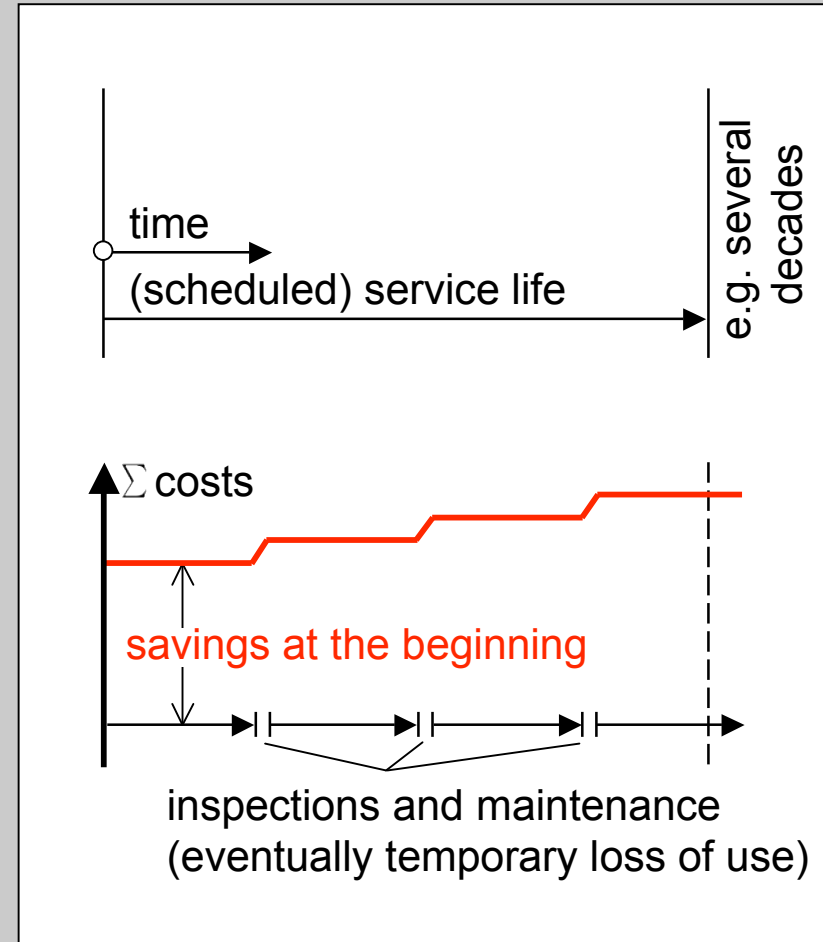
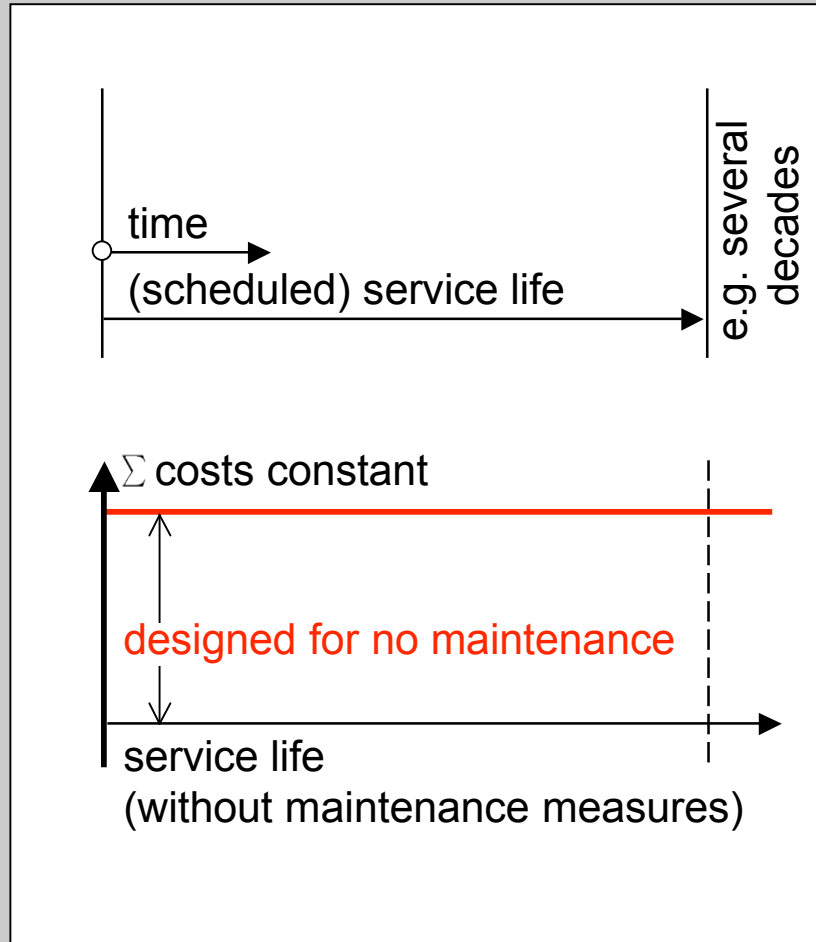
## Demand

Differentiation according to building classes of different service life

# Expected Working Life



# Service Life Control and Economic Aspects



# Service Life and Investment Costs

## Goal: Optimization of building investments

- construction,
- the (if necessary) periodic inspection, maintenance and strengthening
- temporary loss or restriction of use (e.g. due to maintenance interruptions) and consequent effects,
- financing etc.



Establishing of interfaces<sup>\*)</sup> in the SFB-concept  
for later assessment of costs  
and preparation of optimization methods

<sup>\*)</sup> cooperation with University of Munich, construction operation, Prof. Remmer  
and with University of Colorado, Boulder, Prof. Frangopol

## Service Life Control and Sustainability

**Savings of natural resources,  
e.g. economizing raw materials, energy etc.**

- minimizing costs of structural repair
- lifetime oriented strategies for successful investment economy

## Law Aspects

Duration time of warranty of structural quality is different in different countries (5 or 10 years or other)



Duration time of warranty should be conform with the planned service life and be harmonized internationally

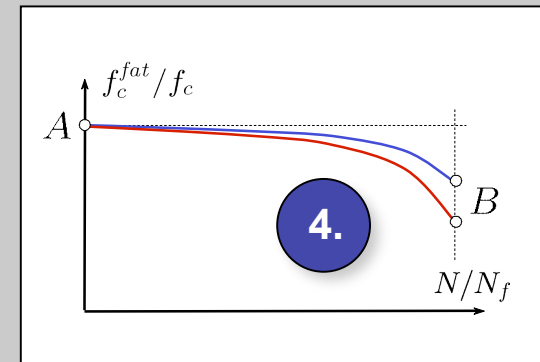
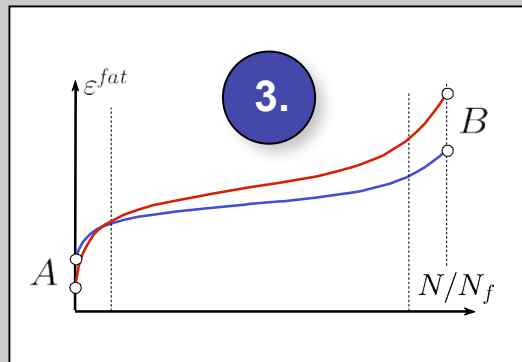
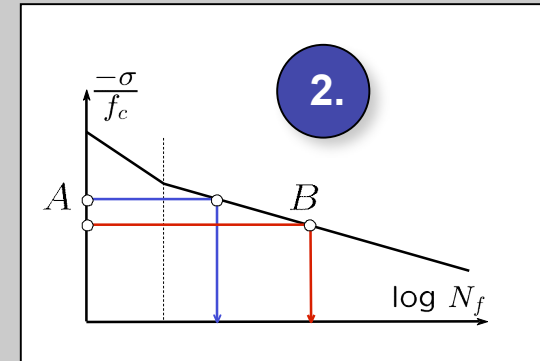
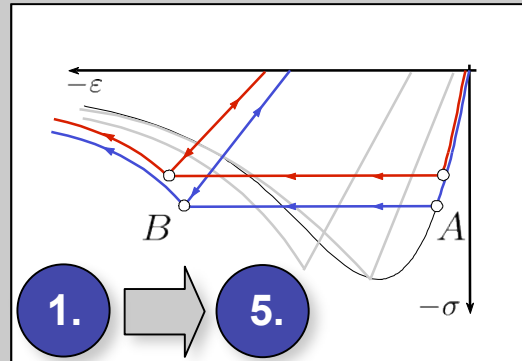
**Joining the different scientific fields together to holistic design concepts with respect to:**

- interactive degradation effects
- stochastic aspects

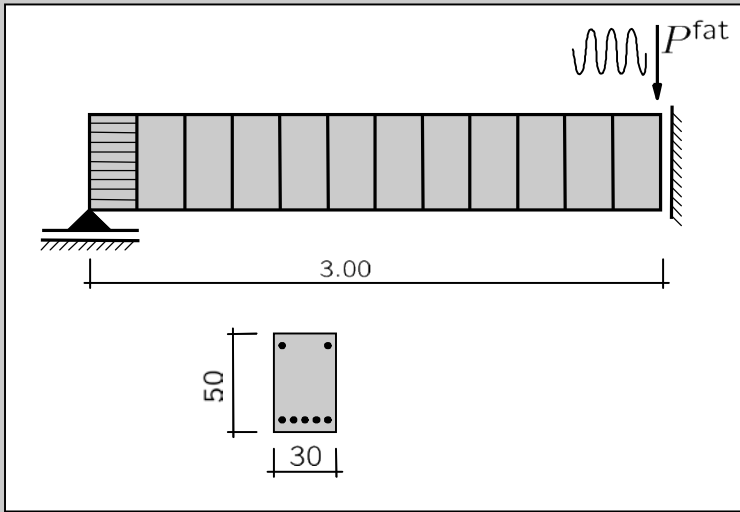


# Fatigue Damage (Concrete)

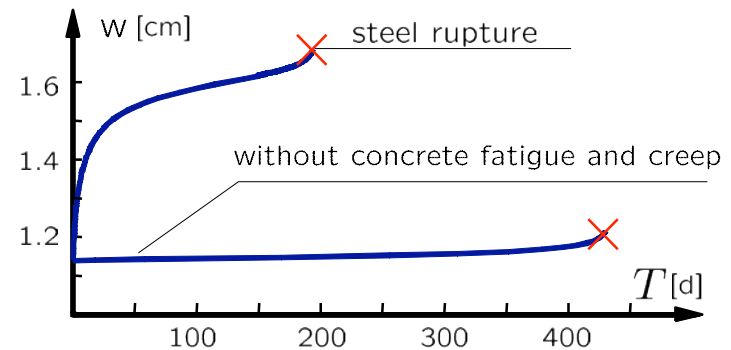
1. Material model for instantaneous response
2. Fatigue lifetime based on  $(\frac{-\sigma}{f_c})$ -N curves
3. Evolution of strain and damage
4. Degradation of compressive strength
5. Degraded material behavior



# Example: Beam under Fatigue Loading



## time-displacement plot

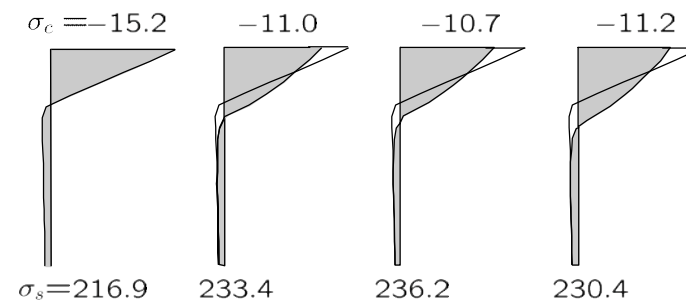


single span beam

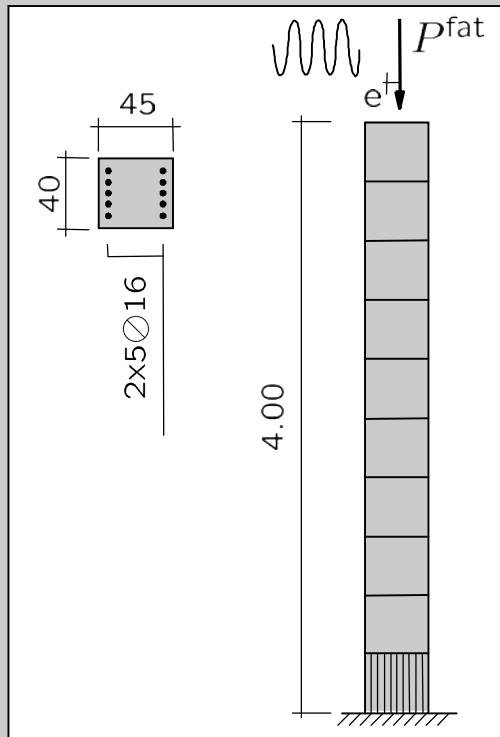
12 shell elements,  
10 concrete layers,  
2 steel layers

$$P_{fat,max} = 0.5P_{stat,max}$$

## stress distribution



# Example: Column under Fatigue Loading

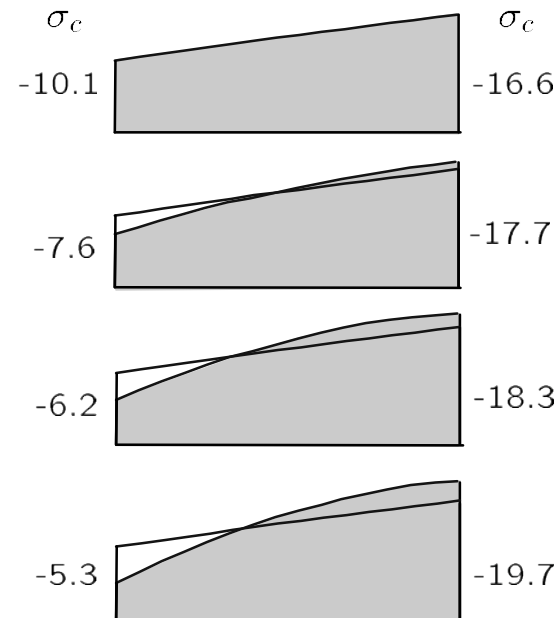


column

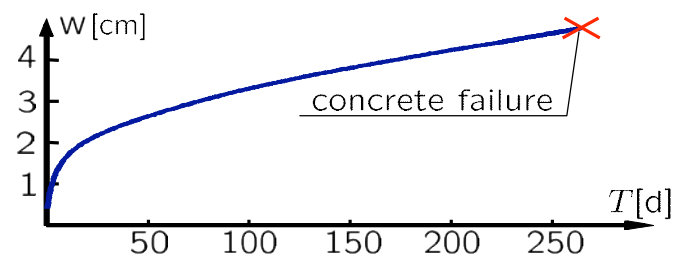
10 shell elements,  
8 concrete layers,  
2 steel layers

$$P_{fat} = 0.45P_{stat}, e = 10\text{mm}$$

stress distribution



time-displacement plot



## Reference Project *Hünxer Brücke*



Lifetime: 53 years

Challenge for lifetime oriented research

- ▶ SFB 398
- ▶ SFB 477
- ▶ SFB 524



## Related SFBs



Sicherstellung der Nutzungsfähigkeit von Bauwerken mit Hilfe innovativer Bauwerksüberwachung

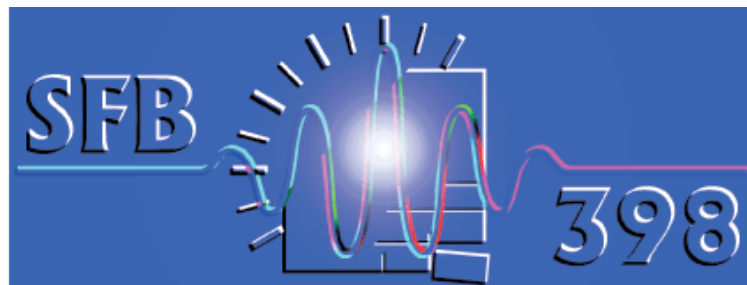
*Life Cycle Assessment of Structures via Innovative Monitoring*



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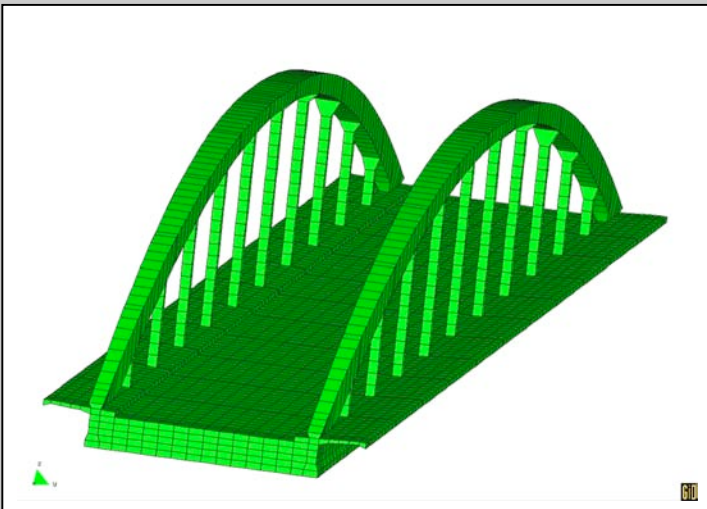


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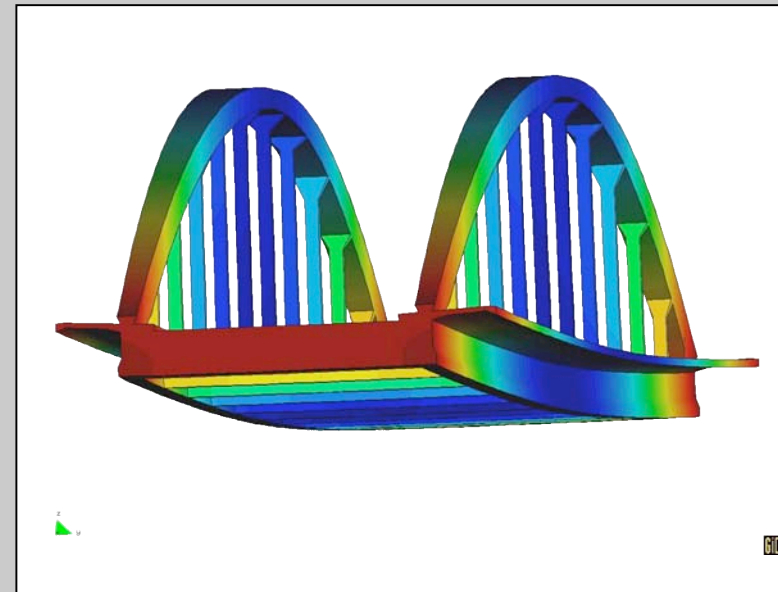
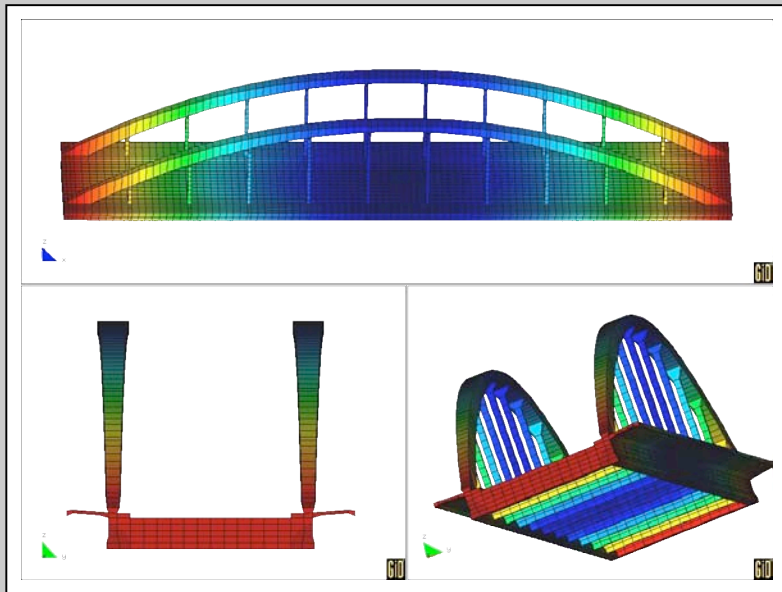
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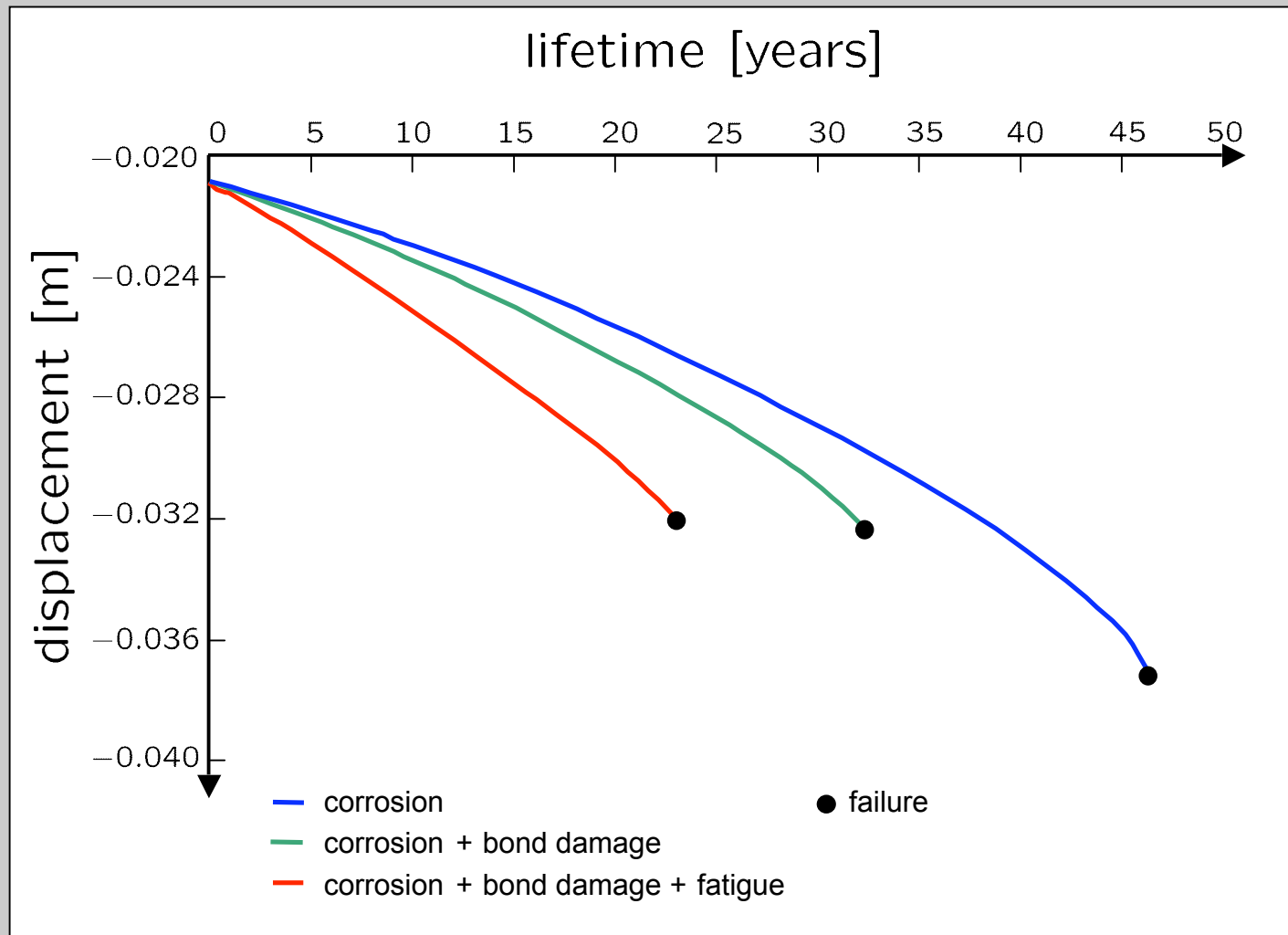
Discretisation:  
5200 shell elements  
about 33,000 DOF

# Reference Project *Hünxer Brücke*

Deformation under dead load



# Hünxer Brücke: Interaction of Deterioration Phenomena





## *SFB 398: Current Projects*

### Project Group A: Modelling of lifetime effects

A5 structural concrete  
A8 cyclically loaded soil  
A9 structural mechanics  
A11 concrete technology  
A13 concrete fatigue

### Project Group B: Methods for lifetime-oriented structural analyses

B1 damage mechanics of steel  
B3 simulation technology  
B4 damage diagnosis and localization  
B8 multi-scale damage simulation  
B9 simulation strategies

### Project Group C: Future lifespan-oriented design strategies

C1 simulation methodology  
C2 prognosis concepts for concrete  
C4 prognosis concepts for steel  
C5 holistic simulation concepts  
C8 composite structures  
C10 crack development simulation

### Project Group D: Evaluation on a reference structure

D1 reference structure: roadbridge