

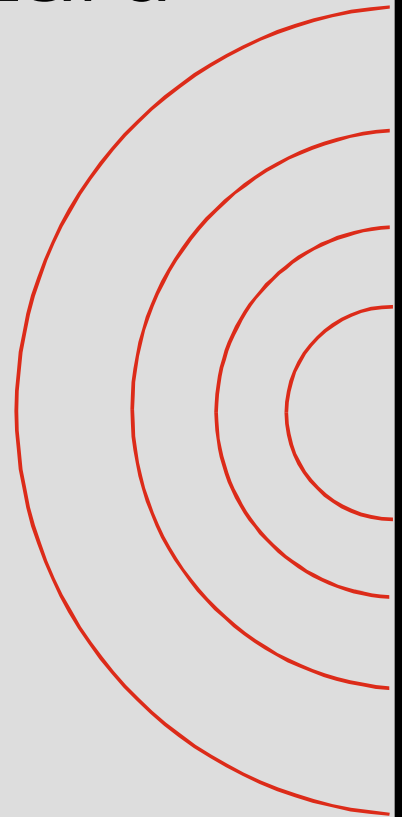
Simulation-based Multi-hazard Decision Support

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Introduction

Aseismic Design and Retrofit

Aseismic Decision Support

Multi-hazard Decision Support

Summary

Simulation-based Multi-hazard Decision Support

Overall Objective

Enhance community resilience to extreme events

Characteristics

Multidisciplinary

Uncertainty, ambiguity and risk

Spatial and temporal dimensions

Finite resources

Unlimited possibilities



Complex Problems



Robust Solutions

Simulation-based Multi-hazard Decision Support

Research Objective

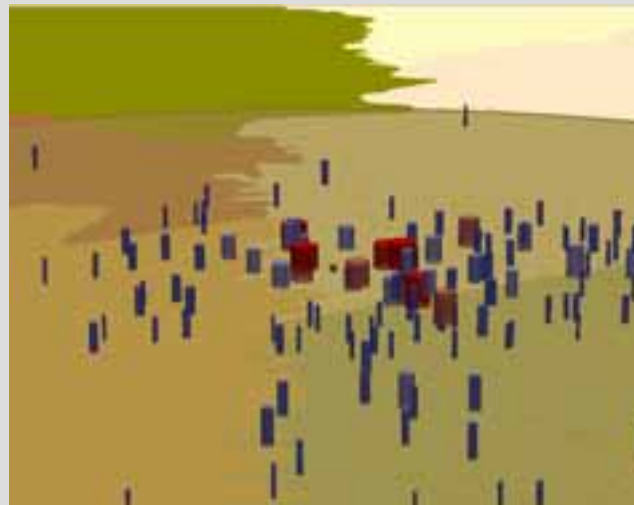
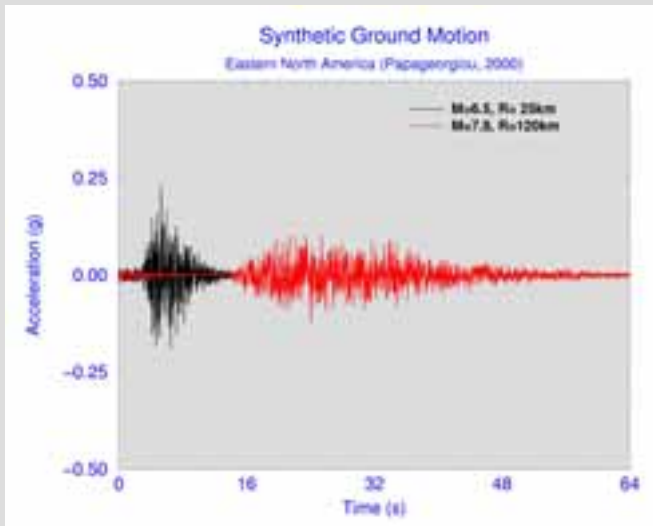
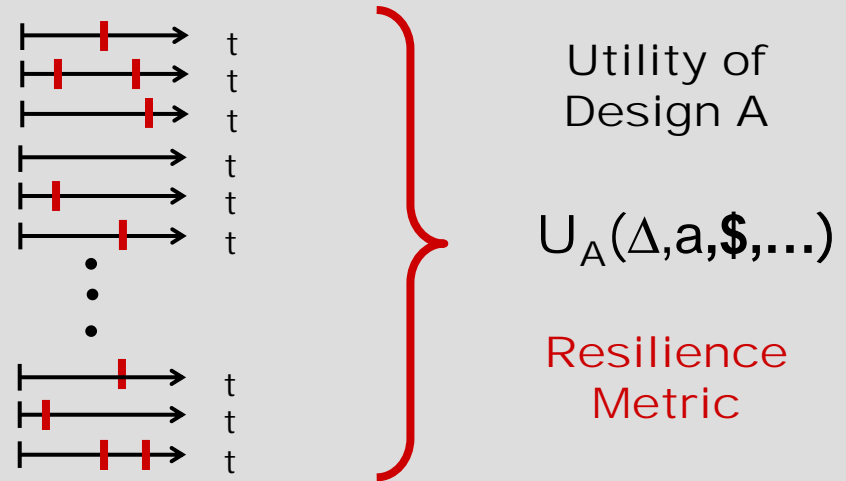
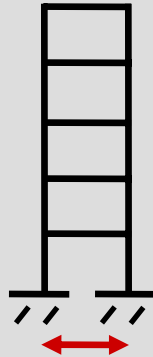
Develop a computational decision support framework for critical infrastructure and facilities that

- Provides flexibility to include a broad range of models and simulation software
- Incorporates both engineering and sociotechnical aspects
- Allows consideration of a variety of extreme events
- Seeks robust solutions to complex problems

Focus initially on critical care facilities and healthcare networks under seismic hazards

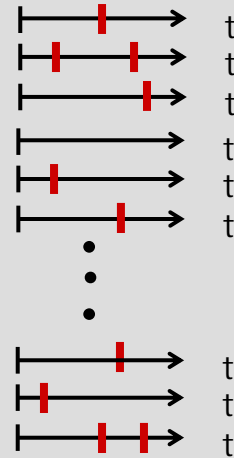
Aseismic Structural Design and Retrofit

Design
A



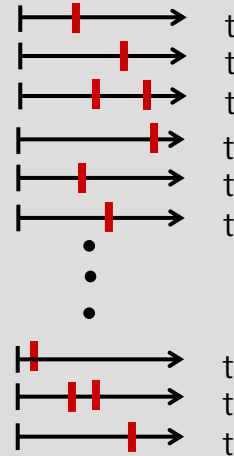
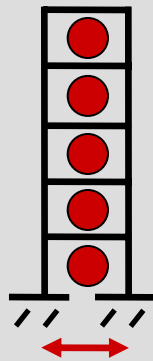
Aseismic Structural Design and Retrofit

Design
A



$$U_A(\Delta, a, \$, \dots)$$

Design
B



$$U_B(\Delta, a, \$, \dots)$$

Aseismic Structural Design and Retrofit

Difficulties

Many potential design solutions exist

How does one determine Designs A and B?

Simulation-based Design

Define utility function U

Identify space of possible design solutions S

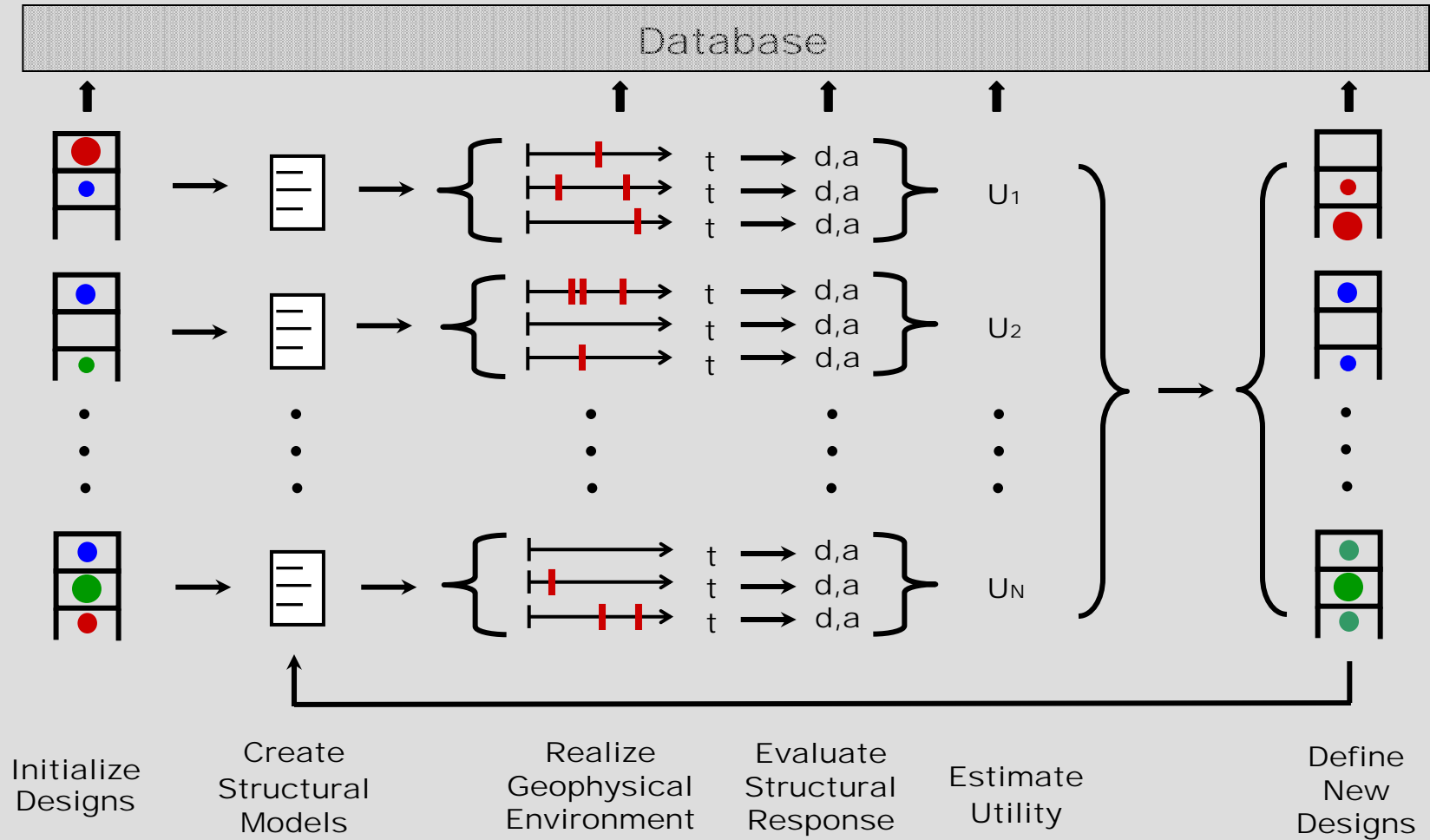
Identify/develop appropriate simulation algorithms to evaluate U for all possible design solutions in S

Utilize systematic method to find **robust** designs



Genetic Algorithms (Holland, 1975)

Evolutionary Aseismic Design and Retrofit



Evolutionary Aseismic Design and Retrofit Features

Passive damper options include both rate-independent (metallic) and rate-dependent (viscous and viscoelastic) devices

Nonlinear models for base structure and passive elements using lumped parameter representations

Uncertain seismic environment or fixed ensemble of ground motions

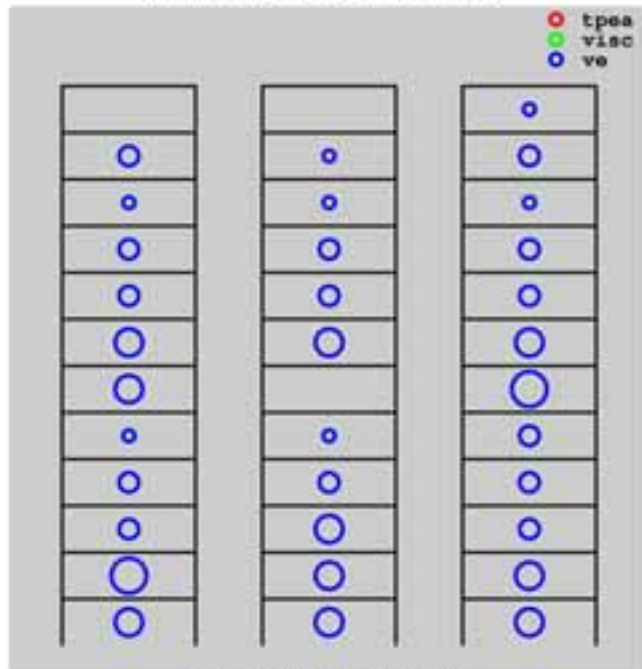
Transient dynamic analysis to evaluate seismic response

Structural fitness (or utility) depends upon:

- Satisfactory levels for interstory drift and total acceleration
- Performance of non-structural components
- Damper cost
- Risk aversion index

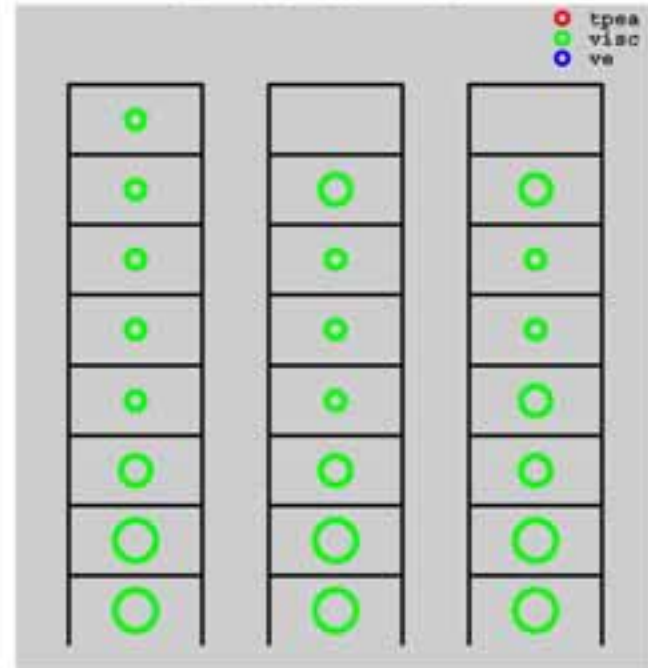
Evolutionary Aseismic Design and Retrofit Examples

Twelve Story Steel Frame in Memphis
7th Story Discontinuity
Single Damper Type (s12m05)



	Generations 0 thru 128	899	717
Trials:	1092	899	717
Cost:	104.0	84.0	112.0
Survive:	0.924	0.923	0.918
Fitness:	1851	1849	1848
Rho< 5:	7195	13594	3801

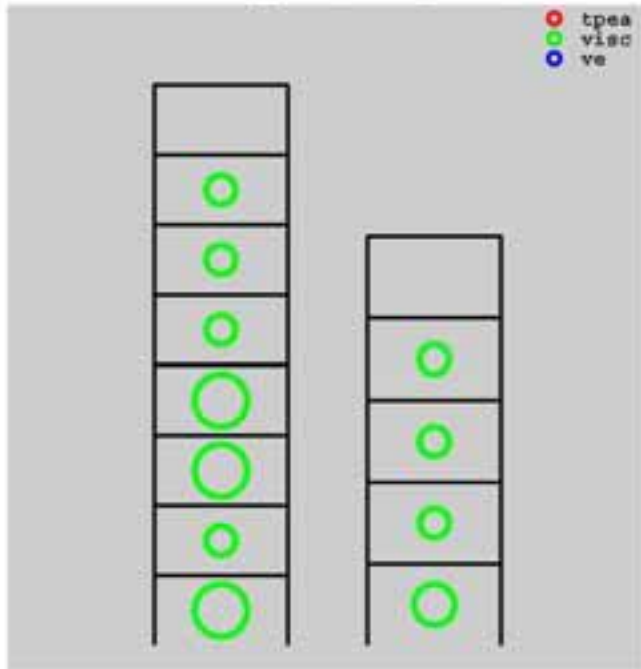
Eight Story Steel Frame Structures
West Coast (2%/50yrs) Ground Motions
Single Damper Type (C08_onell)



	25	25	25
Trials:	25	25	25
Survive:	25	25	25
Rate:	1.000	1.000	1.000
Fitness:	0.948	0.948	0.944

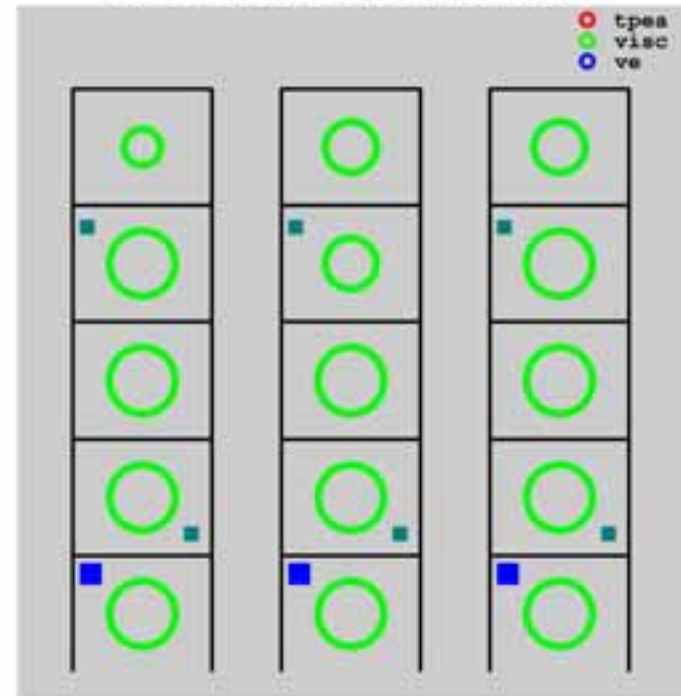
Evolutionary Aseismic Design and Retrofit Examples

Adjacent Steel Frame Structures
West Coast (2%/50yrs) Ground Motions
Viscous Dampers (C08D05_viscl2)



Trials: 25
Survive: 25
Rate: 1.000
Fitness: 0.920

Uniform Five Story Steel Structures
West Coast (2%/50yrs) Ground Motions
Frame + Viscous Dampers (M05wkvl3b)



Trials:	25	25	25
Survive:	25	25	25
Rate:	1.000	1.000	1.000
Fitness:	0.868	0.868	0.864

For more details, please see poster by Seda Dogruel

Healthcare Organizations

(Petak-Alesch, 2004)

Existence of robust engineering solutions is not sufficient

Retrofit selected only if critical care organization:

- **Believes that a solution exists to reduce the risk**
- **Believes that it is in its best interest to act**
- **Finds a solution compatible with its mission**
- **Has the capacity to implement the solution**
- **Perceives the seismic risk**

Temporal dimension of decision-making process also is important

Can simulations provide useful information to this decision-making process? What models would be appropriate?

Aseismic Decision Support

Simulation-based Approach

Define utility function U for organization

Identify space of possible policy sets S

Identify/develop appropriate simulation algorithms to evaluate U for all possible policy sets in S

Utilize genetic algorithm to evolve **robust** policy sets



Evolutionary Aseismic Decision Support

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Critical Care Formulation

Utility Function

**Building & equipment; Monetary assets
Patients served
Accumulated damage; Patient-days lost** } Resilience
Metric

Decision Space

Policy 1: Seismic Retrofit

Evaluation frequency, Retrofit criteria,
Retrofit level

Policy 2: Building & Equipment Investment

Investment coefficient, B/P target ratio,
Monetary asset threshold

Policy 3: Facility Status

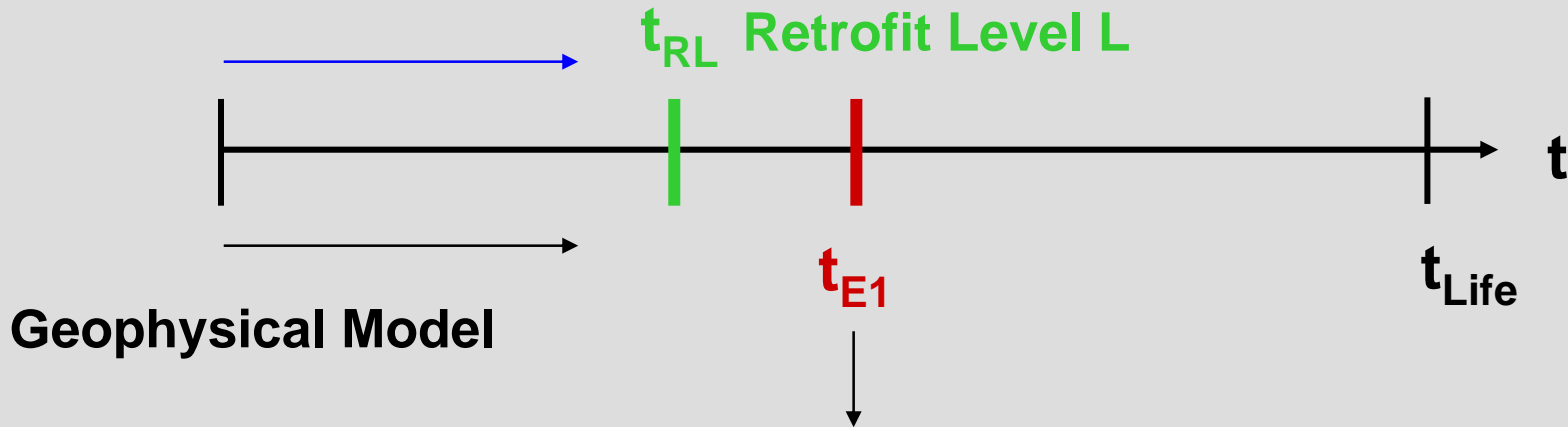
Open/close decision, Alternative function

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Critical Care Formulation

Single Realization over Time

Organizational Model



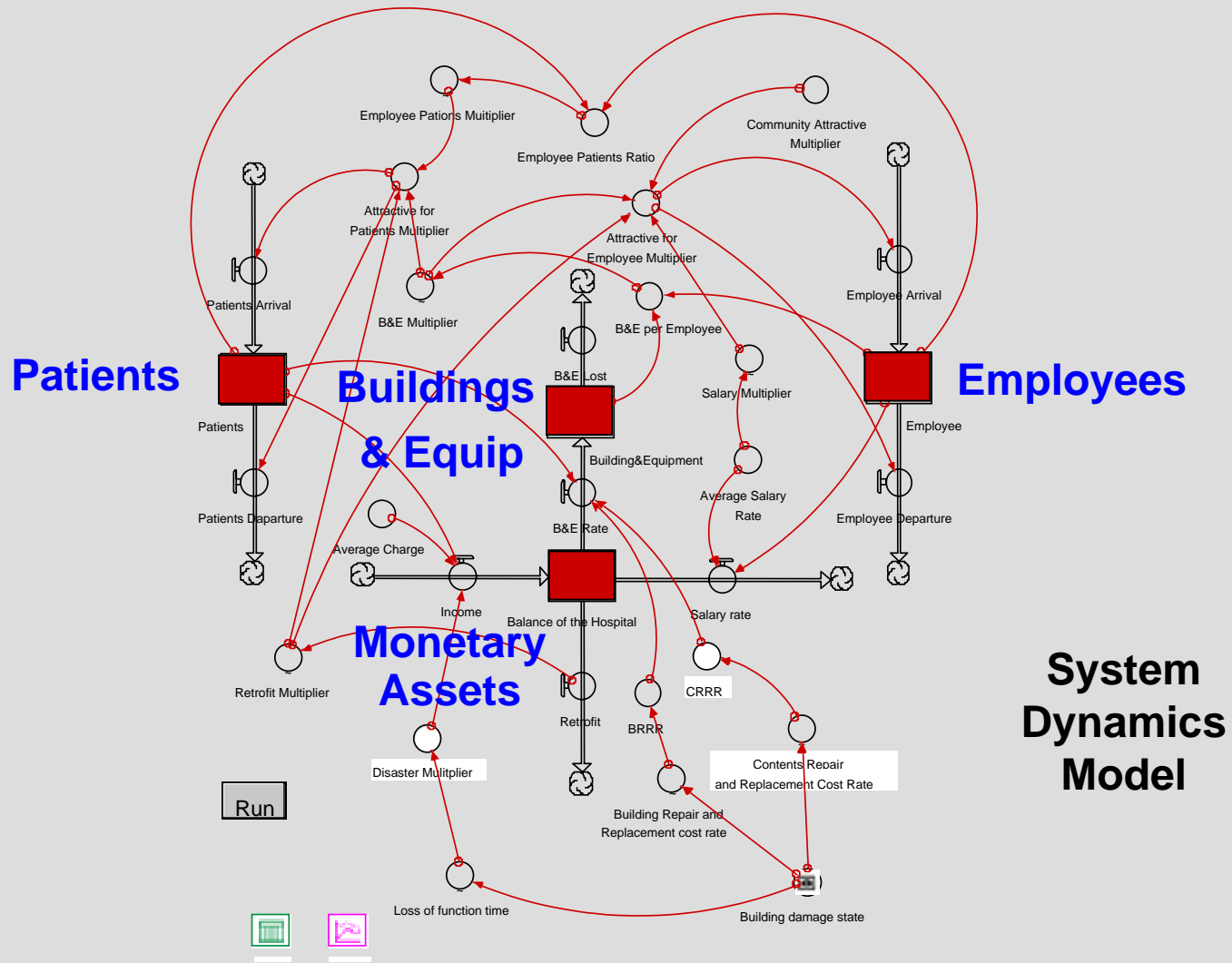
Geophysical Model

Earthquake Model

Structural Model

Damage Model

Organizational Model of Hospitals Initial Formulation



Organizational Model of Hospitals

Initial Formulation


System Dynamics (Forrester, 1961, 1969)
Population Dynamics (May, 1973)

Primary Variables:

- Patients (P)
- Employees (E)
- Buildings & Equipment (B)
- Monetary Assets (M)

Key Ratios:

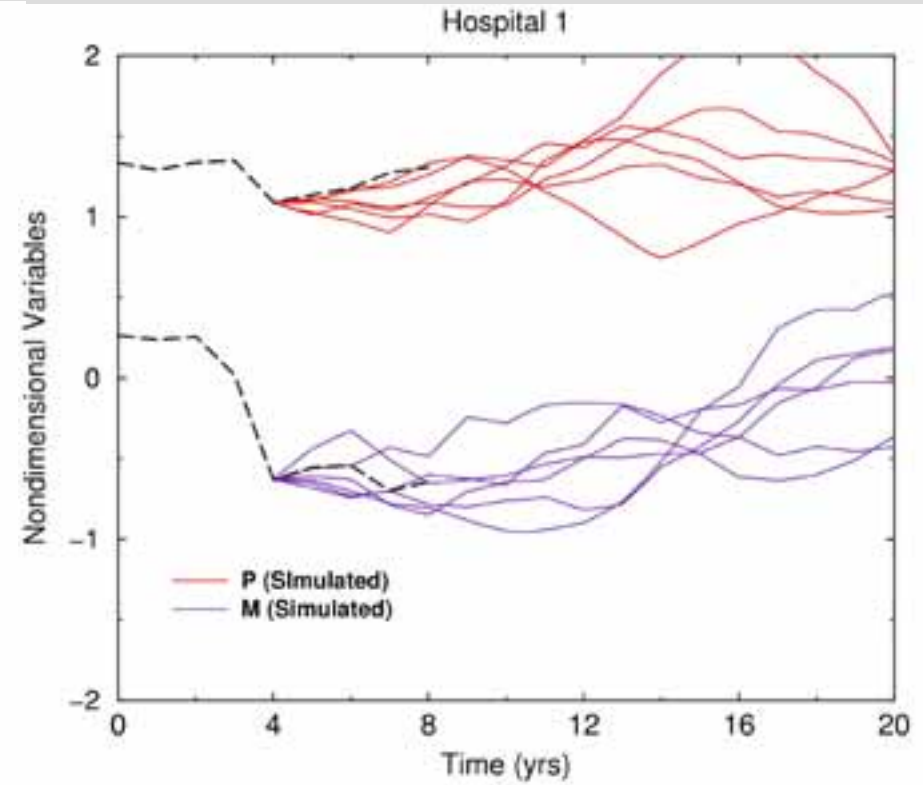
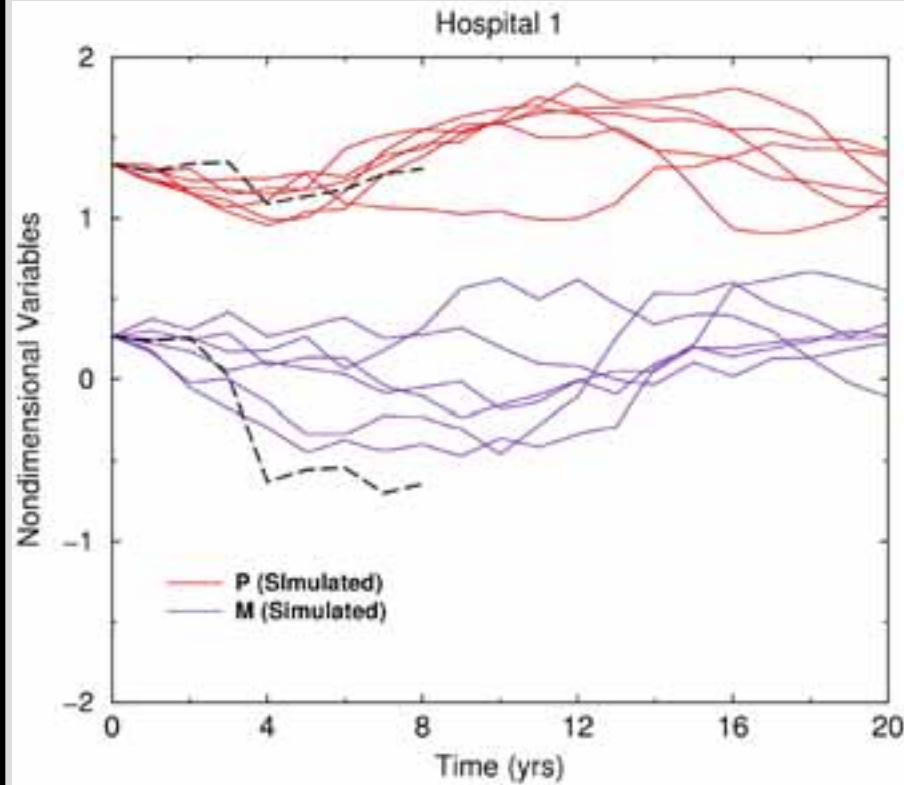
- E/P
- B/P


$$d \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{X}, t) dt$$

Parameter estimation based upon OSHPD database

Organizational Model of Hospitals

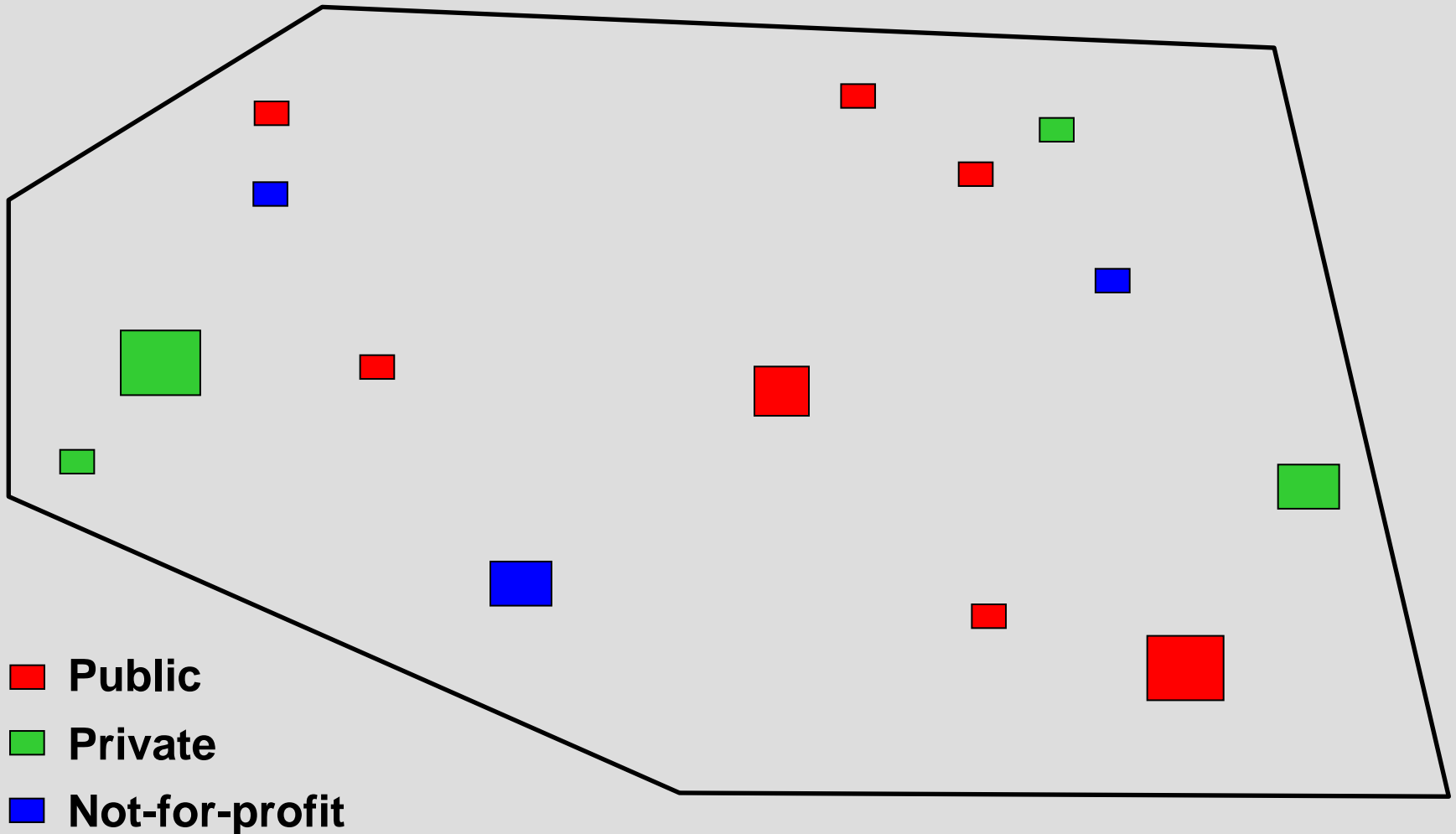
Initial Formulation



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Spatial Distribution of Hospitals

Regional Policy Formulation



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Regional Policy Formulation

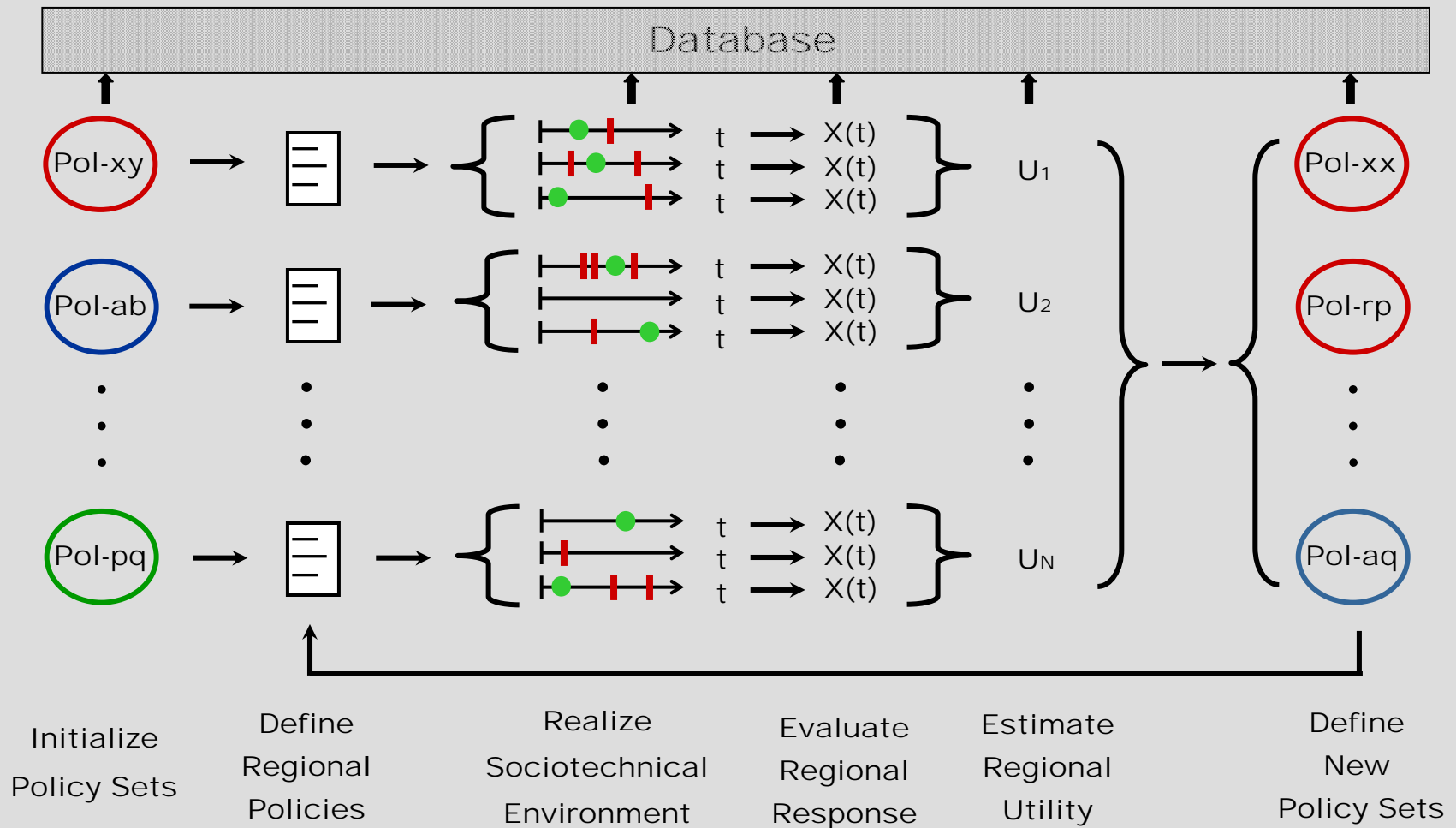
Utility Function

Patients served; Economic activity
Accumulated damage; Patient-days lost } Resilience
Metric

Decision Space

- Policy 0: No retrofit regulation**
- Policy 1: Mandated retrofit wo/financial support**
- Policy 2: Mandated retrofit w/financial support**
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- .**
- .**
- Policy n: Optional retrofit w/incentives Z phased in
with time schedule X**

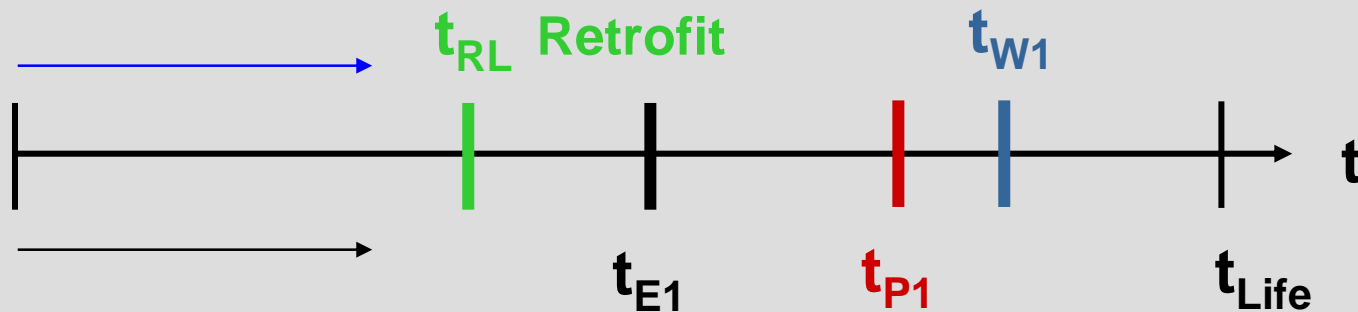
Evolutionary Aseismic Decision Support Regional Policy Formulation



Multidisciplinary Decision Support

Single Realization over Time

Organizational Model



Geophysical Model

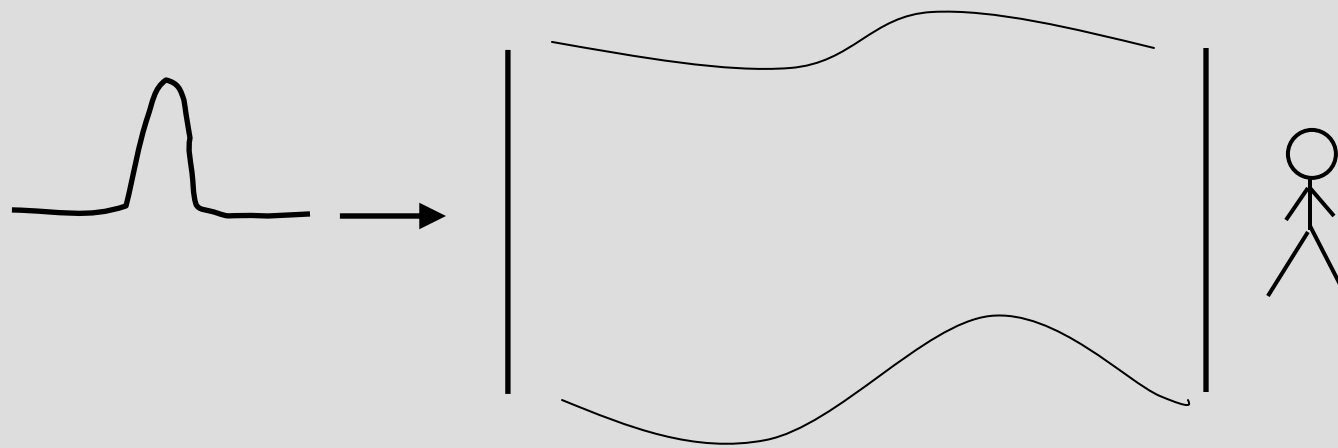
Meteorological Model

Extreme Events: Earthquake Model

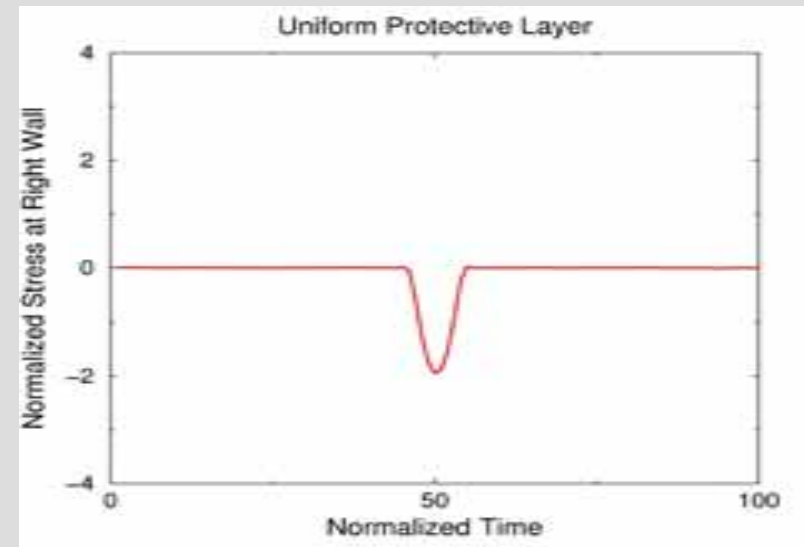
Wind Model

Sociopolitical Model [e.g., SB1953]

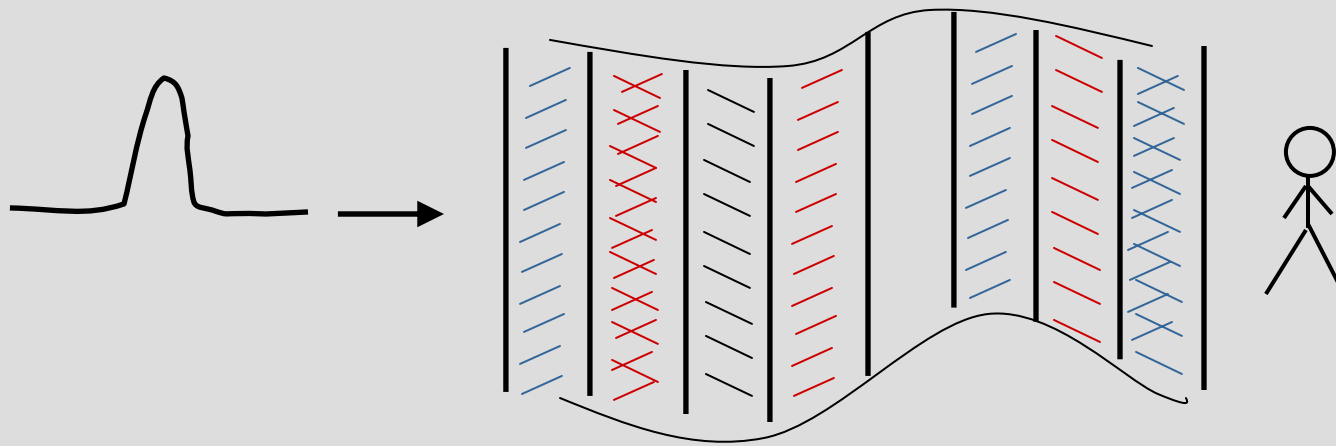
Evolutionary Protective System Design (Aref et al.)



**Elastodynamic Wave
Propagation via
Boundary Element
Method**

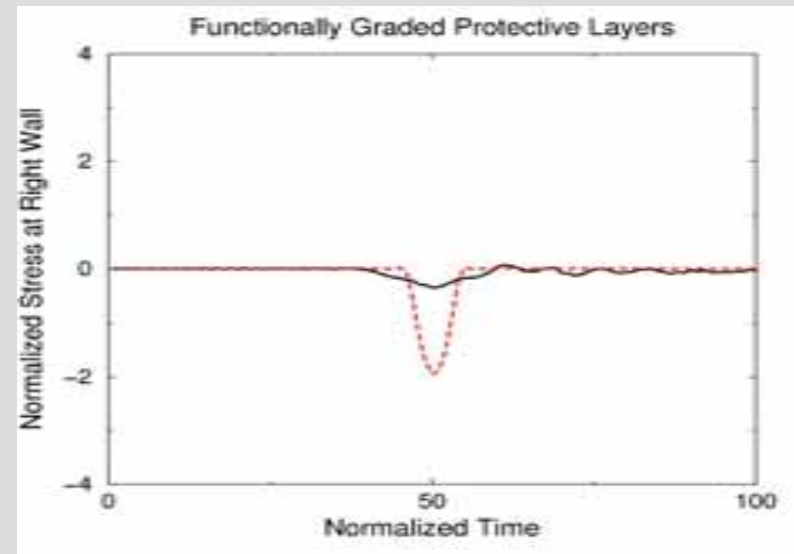


Evolutionary Protective System Design (Aref et al.)



**Elastodynamic Wave
Propagation**

**Genetic algorithm to
select material layers**



Simulation-based Multi-hazard Decision Support

Summary

Overall Approach

Define utility function U

Identify space of possible solutions S

Identify/develop appropriate simulation algorithms to evaluate U for all possible solutions in S

Utilize genetic algorithms to evolve robust solutions

Simulation-based Multi-hazard Decision Support

Summary

Framework is flexible

Applicable to a broad range of extreme event design and decision processes

Extendable to incorporate more advanced models and analysis tools

Approach is encouraging

Consistently produces robust aseismic structural designs in either uncertain or fixed environments

Holds promise to provide guidance in the overall sociotechnical decision-making process

Computational requirements are manageable

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Thank you!