

# Road Asset Management (RAM) September 2024

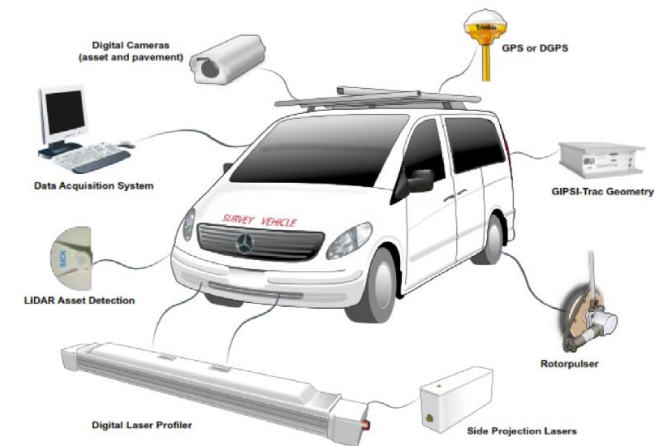
## Session: Asset Condition Data Collection for Major Asset Types

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- Data Collection as part of the Road Asset Management System decision and reporting cycle
- Types of data
- Data collection techniques
- Data collection principles and strategies



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# Why do we need the data?

How many assets do I manage?

What is the value of the assets

How are the assets performing?

How safe and comfortable are the road user experience?



What maintenance works are required

What are the long-term investment needs?

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# The decisions we make during the life of assets

- Transport Planning**
- › Demand and capacity management
    - › Network expansion
  - › Other modes of transport
    - › Utilities requirements



- Resilience, Renew & Expand**
- › Investment decision making
    - › Reconditioning & refurbishment
  - › Expanding and capacity improvements
  - › Route criticality / lifelines
    - › Exposure/network risk
      - › Asset resilience improvements
    - › Coastal protection



**Design and Construction**

- › Functional requirements
- › Capital budgeting
- › Design requirements
- › Environmental impact assessment

**Operations & Safety**

- › Network management
- › Traffic management systems (ITS)
- › Worksite safety and traffic management
- › Road safety monitoring
- › Road safety management and law enforcement
- › Overweight control



**Maintenance & Monitoring**

- › Maintenance inspection
- › Regular/ preventive maintenance planning
- › Maintenance execution
- › Contract and workflow management



# Types of Data We Collect

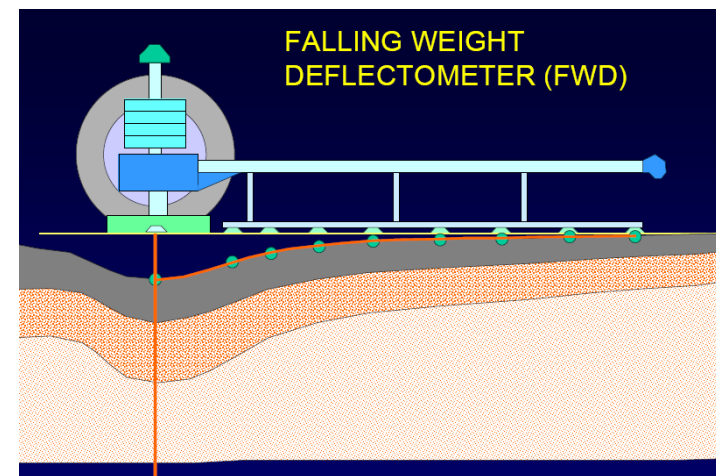
- **Inventory**
  - Physical elements of system
  - Do not change markedly over time
- **Condition**
  - Change over time
  - Require regular (or irregular) monitoring
- **Maintenance Records and Cost**
  - Cost and detailed works recorded for maintenance
- **Use**
  - Traffic Volumes
  - Truck numbers and loading
- **Customer Feedback**
  - User satisfaction surveys
  - Records from complaint system

# Pavement Data Framework

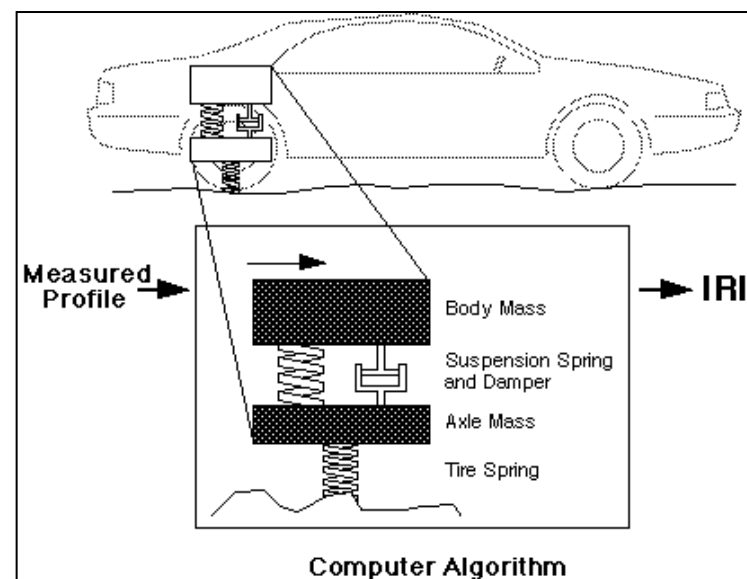
Evaluation Type	Pavement Function	Pavement Characteristics	Examples of Indicators and Indexes
Functional Evaluation	Serviceability	Roughness	IRI
			PSI
			QI
	Safety	Texture	Macrotexture
			Microtexture
		Skid Resistance	Skid Resistance Coefficient
Structural Evaluation	Structural Capacity	Mechanical Properties	Deflections
		Pavement Distress	Cracking
			Surface Defects
			Profile Deformations
Referencing System	X	(Location of Pavement Characteristic Data)	X

# Pavement Strength Testing

- Falling Weight Reflectometers
- Rolling Deflection Measurements

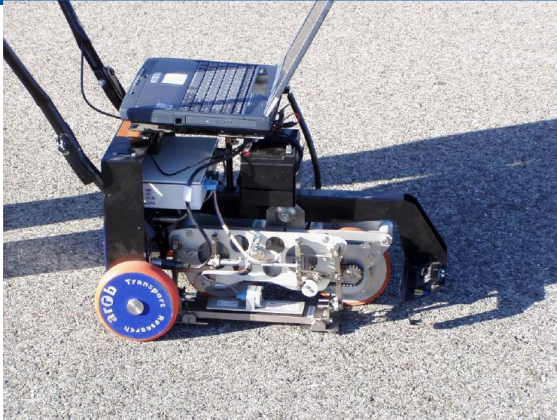


- ‘Bumpiness’ of road
- Usually related to serviceability but also reflects structural deterioration
- Affects VOC, safety, comfort, speed
- Most commonly expressed as IRI
- IRI simulates response of ‘Quarter-car’ to road profile





# Roughness Measurements



**Class I**

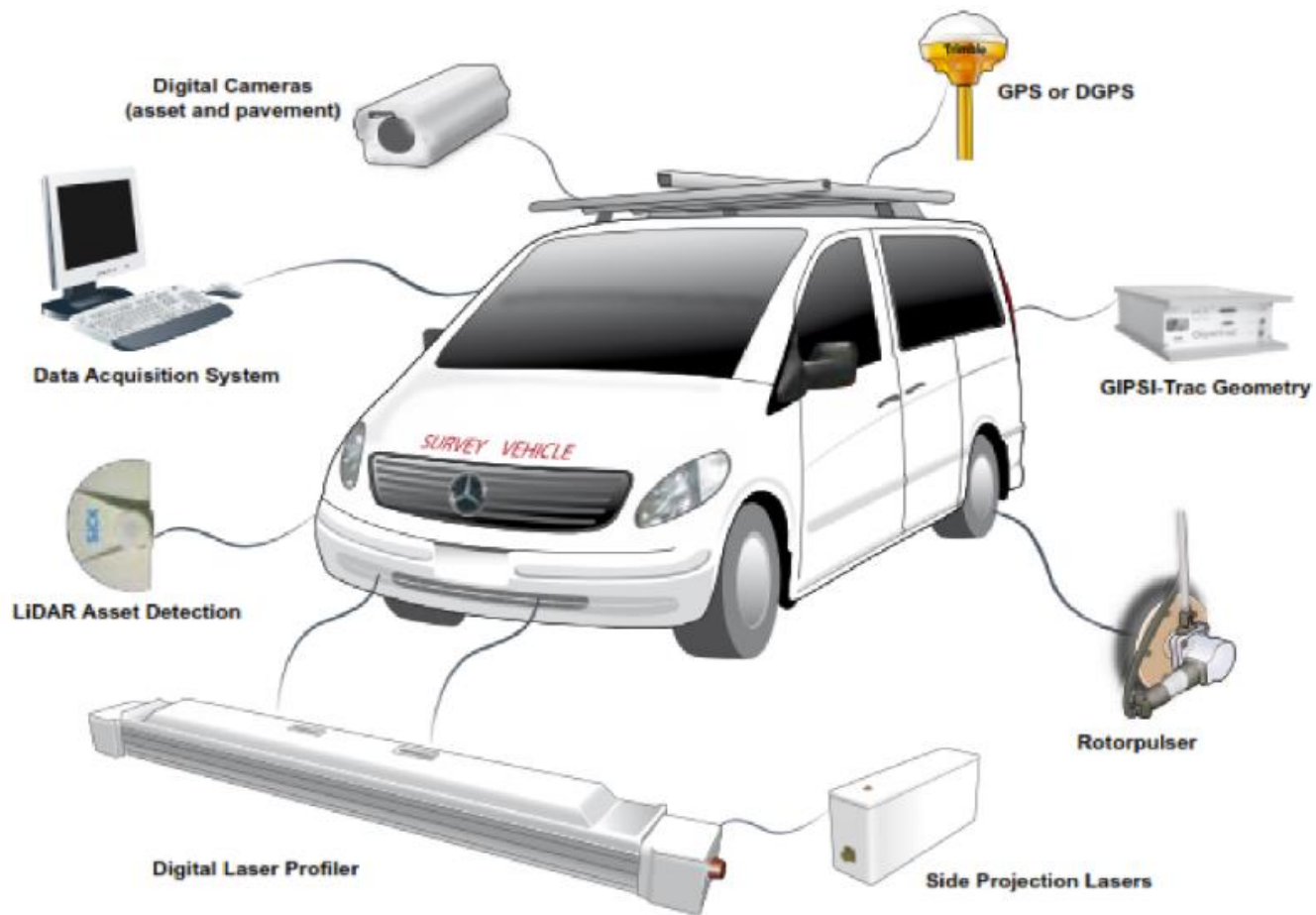


**Class III**



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# Class 1 - Laser

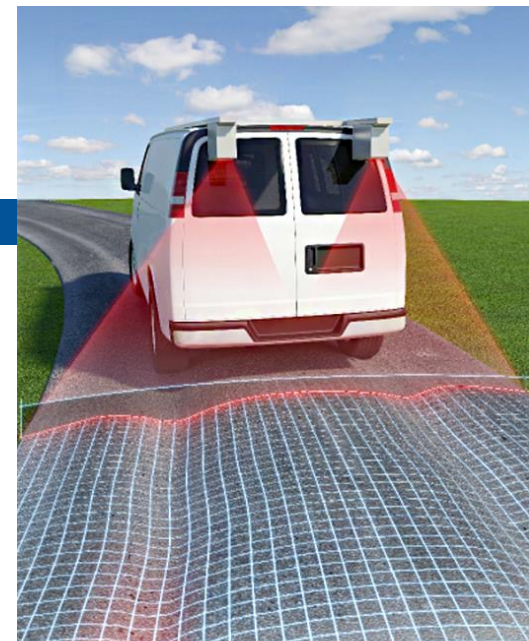


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# Scanning Lasers

- Road crack detection
- Road rut detection Road macro-texture evaluation (MPD)
- Road ravelling evaluation Pothole detection (area, depth, volume)
- Detection of lane markings, shoulders, drop-offs, curbs
- Detection of joints and faulting on concrete roads
- Longitudinal Profile and Roughness (IRI) Road Geometry (gradient, cross-slope and radius of curvature) – optional

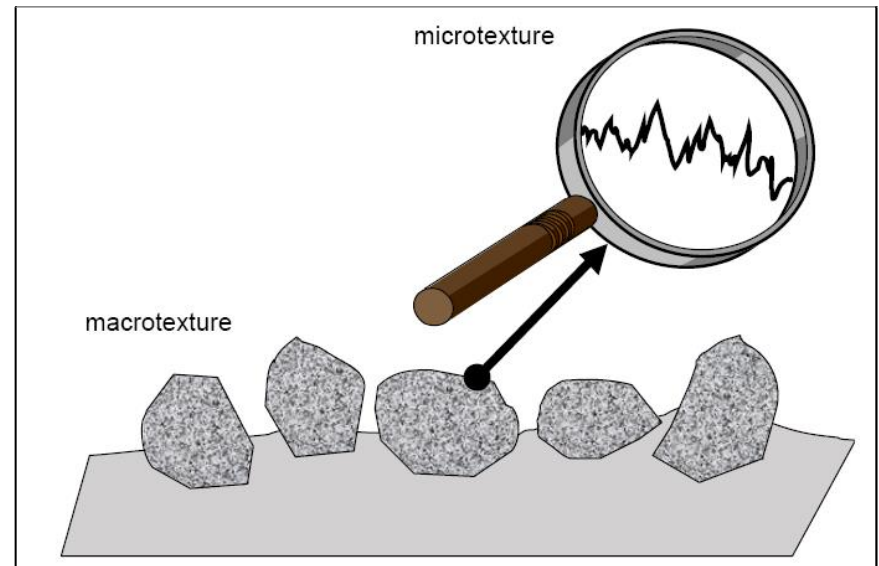
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- Measured using discrete sensors (ultrasonic/laser) or line
- Data analyzed to simulate rut depth under a straight edge
- Systematic under-recording with discrete sensors



- Measurements focus on microtexture and macrotexture
- High speed measurements use lasers
- Expressed as the Mean Profile Depths



# Skid Resistance Measurements

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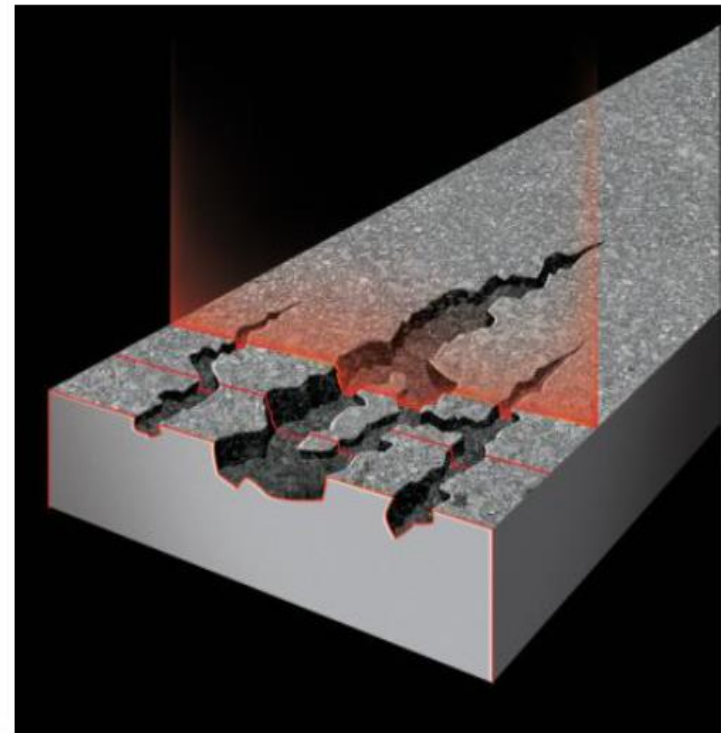
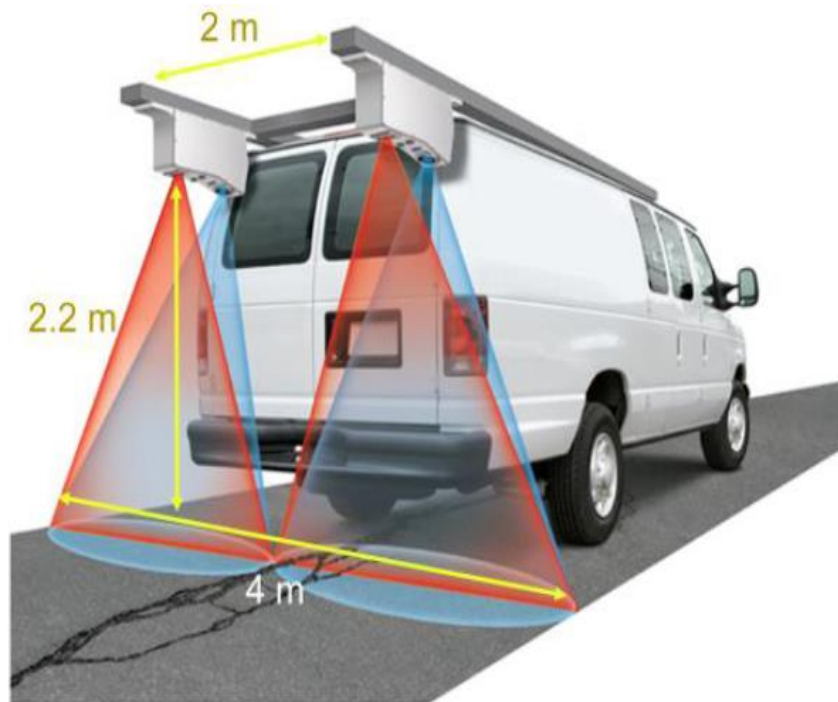
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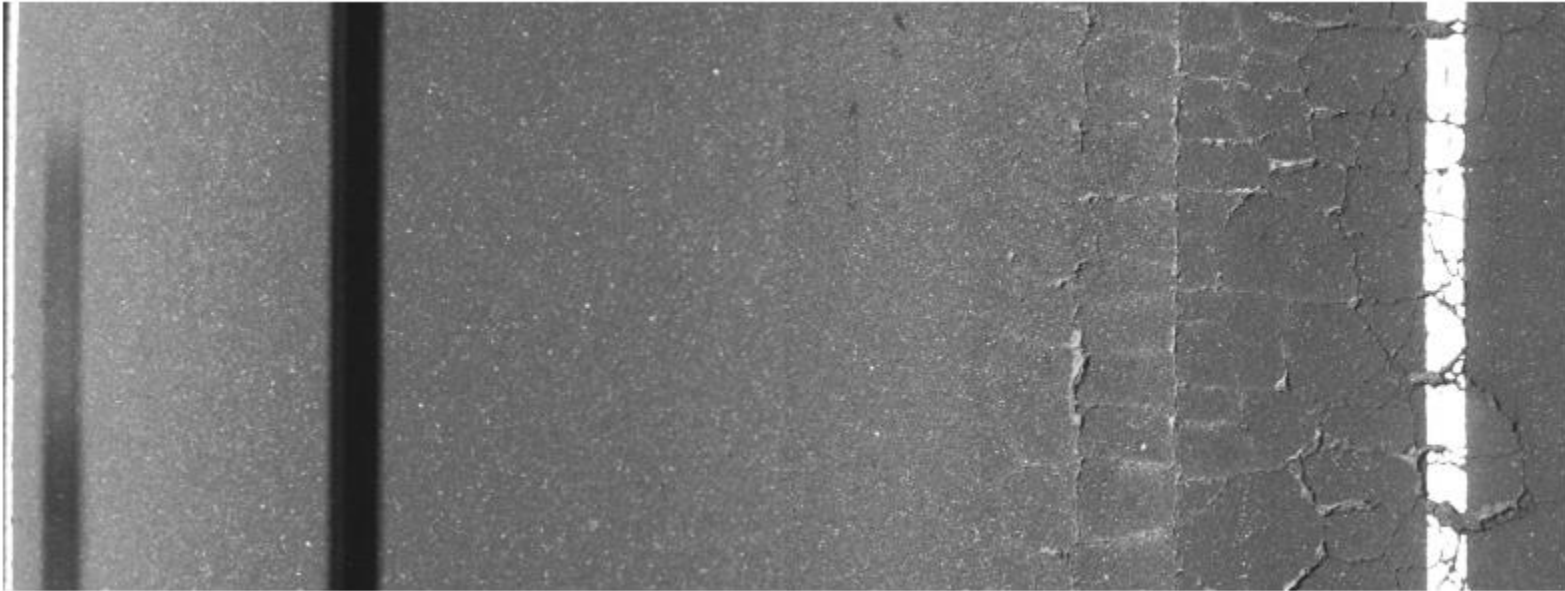


# Laser Crack Measurement System (LCMS)



## Source Pavemetrics

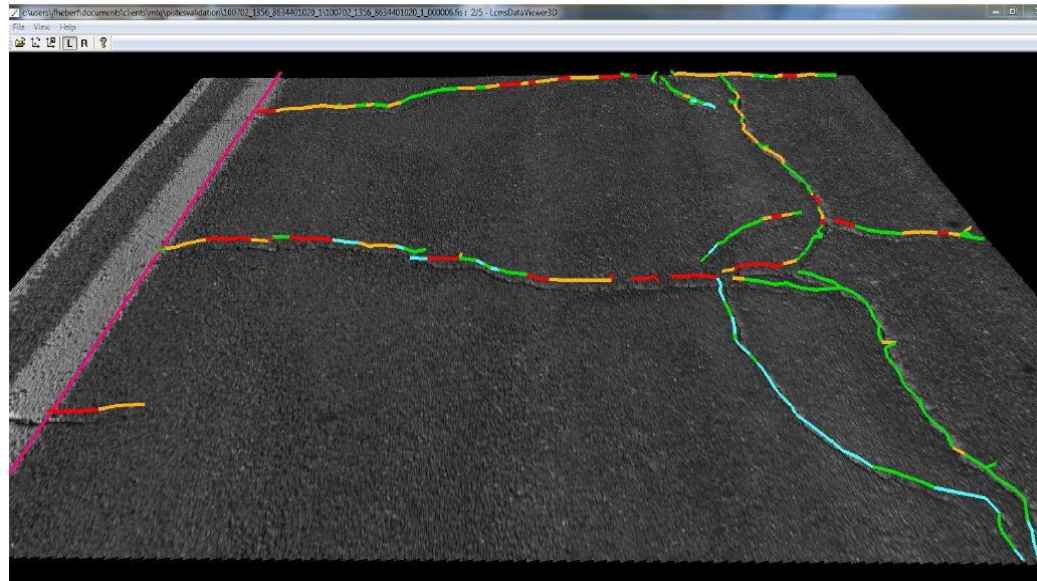
# Images from Line Scan



Source ARRB

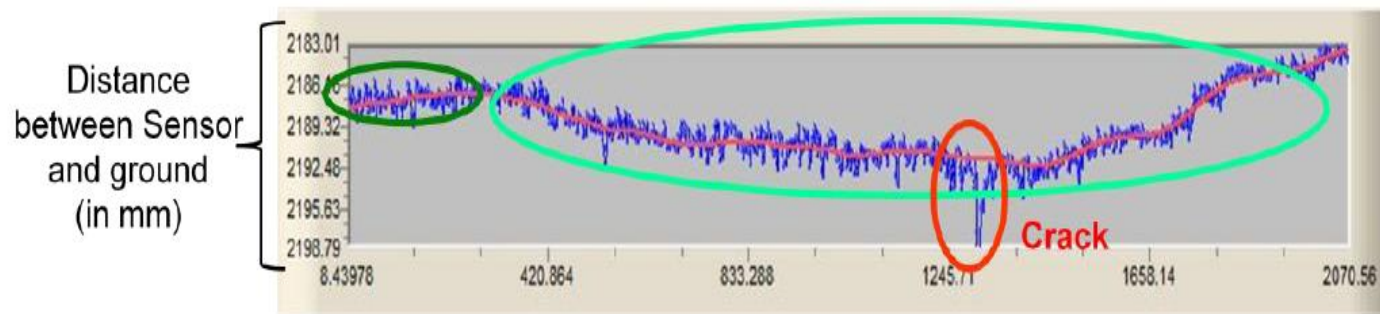


# LCMS Processing of Data



Macro-texture

Rut

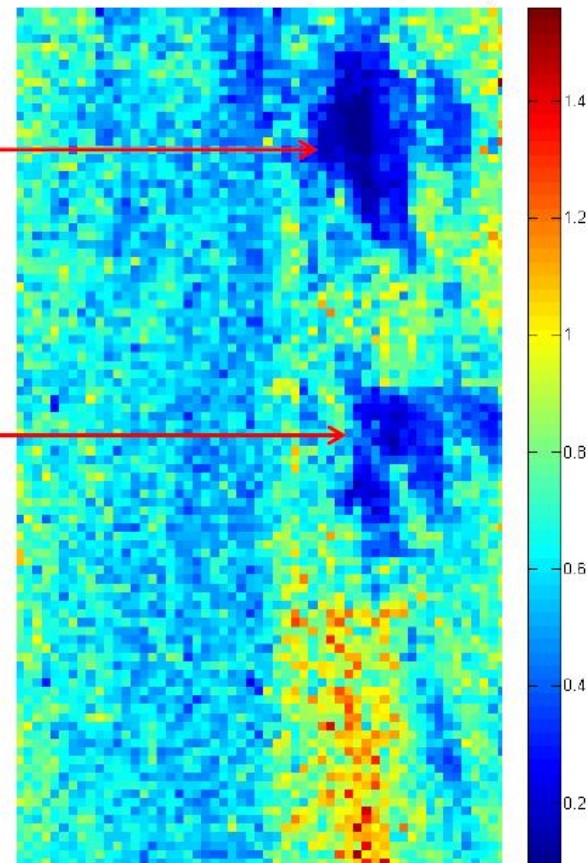


# Detecting Bleeding

Intensity image

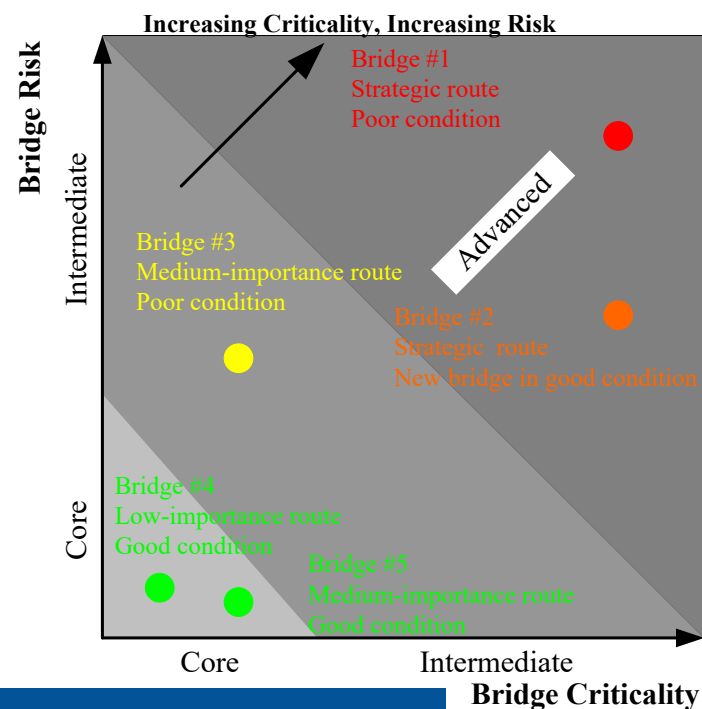


Texture image (MTD, mm)



# Risk and Criticality Based Strategy for Bridge Data Collection

Data collection regime	Failure risk-criticality band	Assessment resolution	Data collection tools
Core	Low	Aggregate bridge risk	Visual inspections every 3-6 years Limited, usually reactive SHM
Intermediate	Intermediate	Individual limit state risks	Visual inspections every 2-3 years Some, reactive and proactive SHM
Advanced	High	Individual structural or functional element risks	Visual inspections every 1-2 years Extensive, mostly proactive SHM



# Bridge Data Collection Regimes

DEVELOPMENT LEVEL	VI, TESTING AND MONITORING PROGRAMME	INSPECTION FREQUENCY		
		General inspections	Special inspections	Routine surveillance inspections
Core	Routine surveillance inspections, general inspections, programmed special inspections, reactive NDE	3–6 years	As identified during general inspection process or as planned by the bridge asset manager (eg access to critical elements or components)	As required by contractual arrangement (eg annual)
Intermediate	Routine surveillance inspections, general inspections, programmed special inspections, reactive and proactive NDE, network SHM data	2–3 years		
Advanced	Routine surveillance inspections, general inspections, programmed special inspections, reactive and proactive NDE, network SHM and bridge-specific SHM	1–2 years		

# Bridge Inspections

NZ TRANSPORT AGENCY WHA Kōwhiri		Bridge routine surveillance inspection report		Supplier logo	
Network area:		Bridge name:		Highway:	RP: BSN:
<b>Marking code</b> 0 = Not inspected 1 = Satisfactory 2 = Monitor next inspection R = Routine maintenance (provide comment) S = Structural maintenance (provide comment & photo) N = Not applicable		Bridge type:	Map ref. (easting):		
		Deck width:	Map ref. (northing):		
		Total bridge length:	Owner:		
		Spans:	RCA:		
Inspector:	Date (mth/yr):		Reviewer:	Date (mth/yr):	
Item	Description	Mark	Defect Description/Remedial Work	Priority (H/M/L)	Estimated Cost
1	Signs				
2	Superstructure/deck drainage				
3	Movement/expansion joints				
4	Carriageway and deck surfacing				
5	Approach adequacy				
6	Guardrail/handrail				
7	Road marking				
8	Flood debris/vegetation				
9	Scour/erosion				
10	Other defects				



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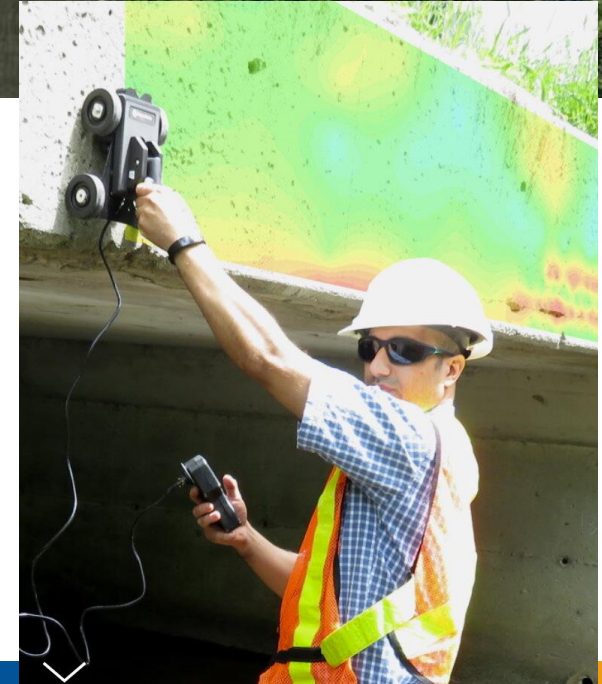
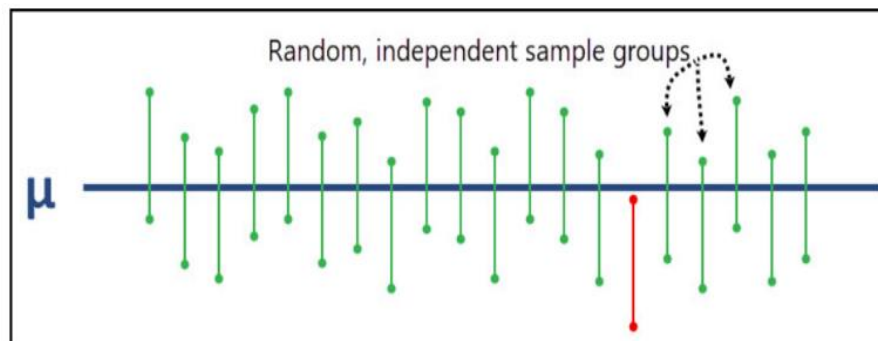
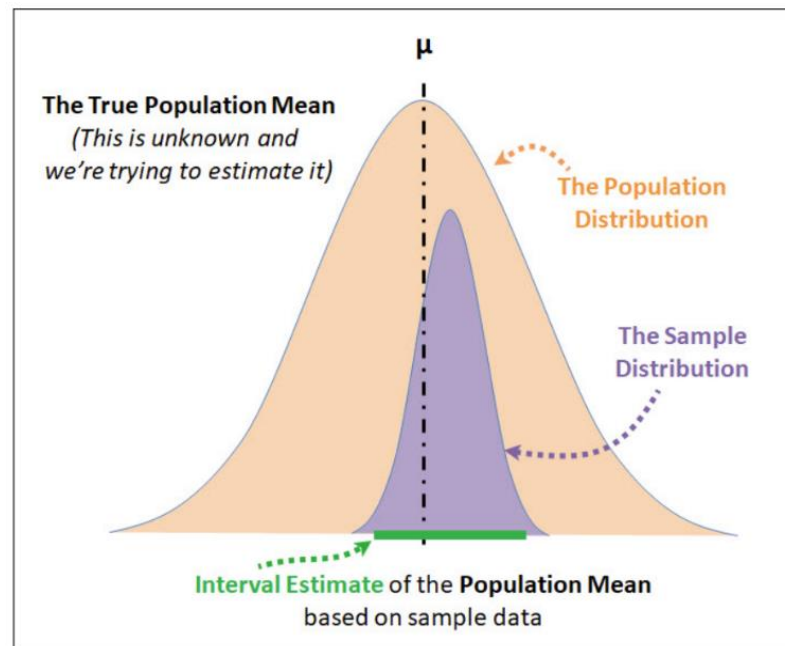


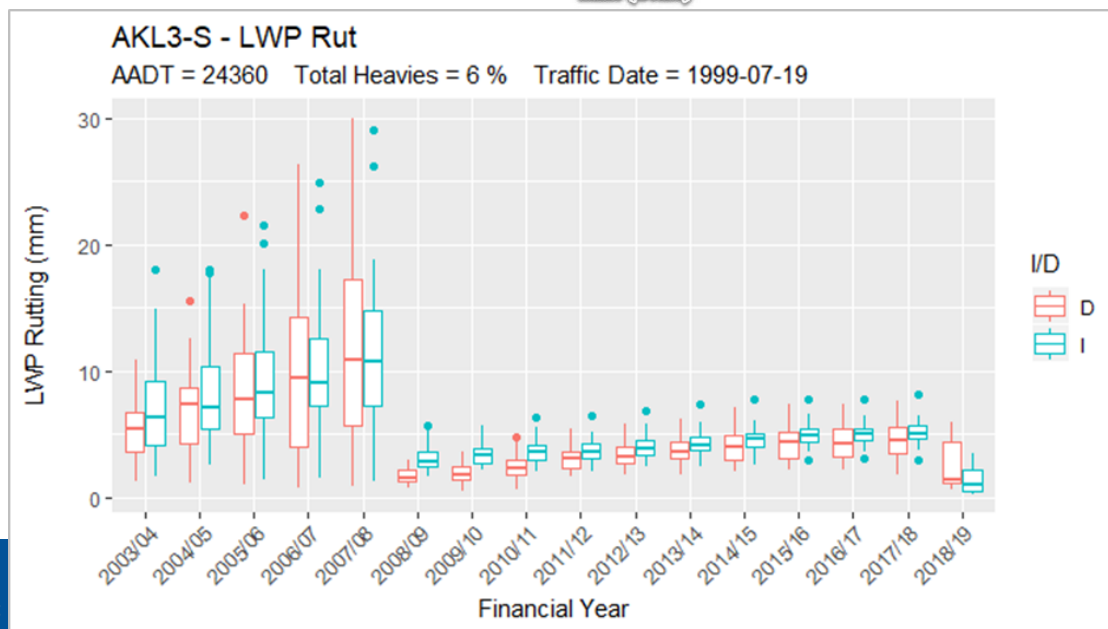
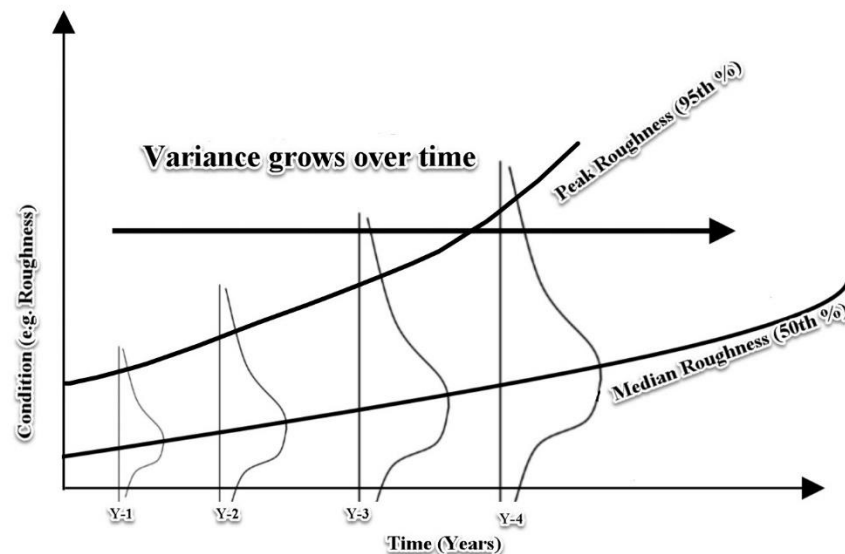
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# Principles for sampling data collection

- We cannot always afford to measure a 100% of the network
- For some applications it is ok, depending on what you use the data for



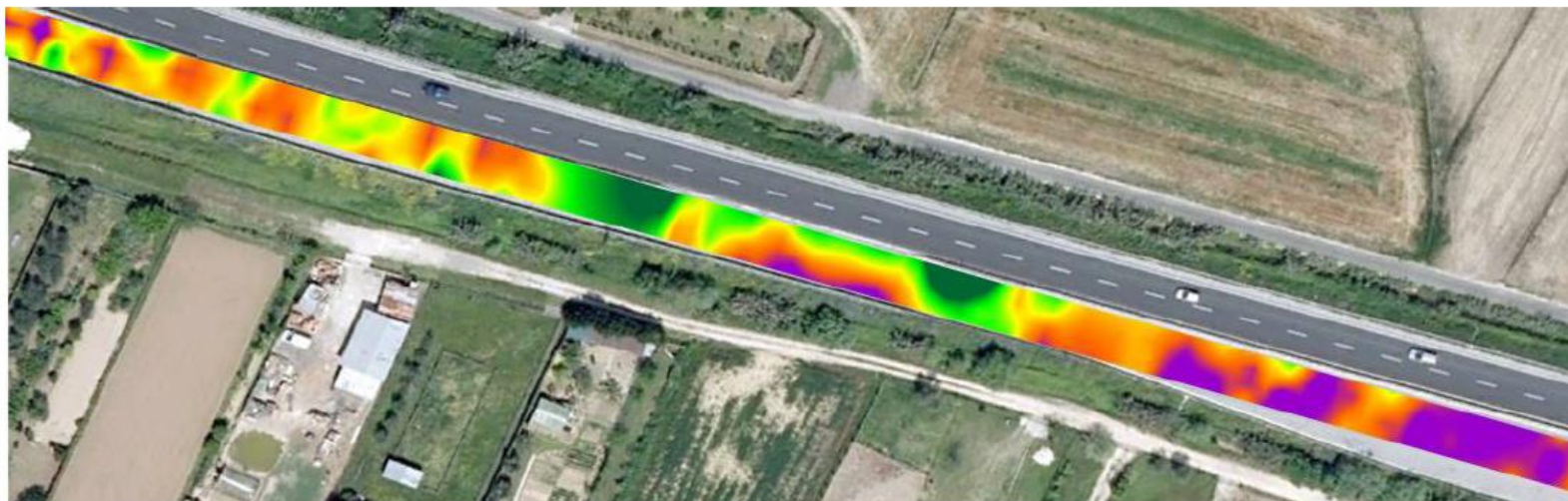
- Network Level
  - Frequent enough to detect network trends
- Project level
  - Have to catch a site before it becomes too expensive
- Frequency is a function of:
  - Section criticality
  - Network planning cycle



- **Inventory Data**
  - One off exercise
  - Updated/verified ~5 years
- **Pavement Condition Data**
  - Main roads 1-2 years
  - Minor roads ~2-3 years
- **Bridge Condition Data**
  - Regular surveys 1-2 years
  - Intensive surveys ~5 years
- **Traffic Data**
  - Permanent count stations (24/7/365)
  - Short-term count stations (~ 1 - 7 days)



# Homogeneous Section Lengths

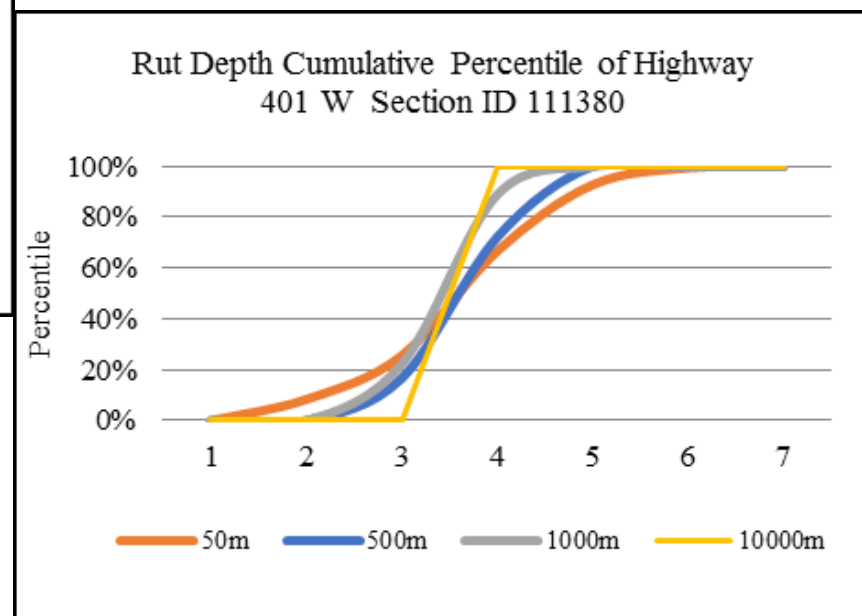
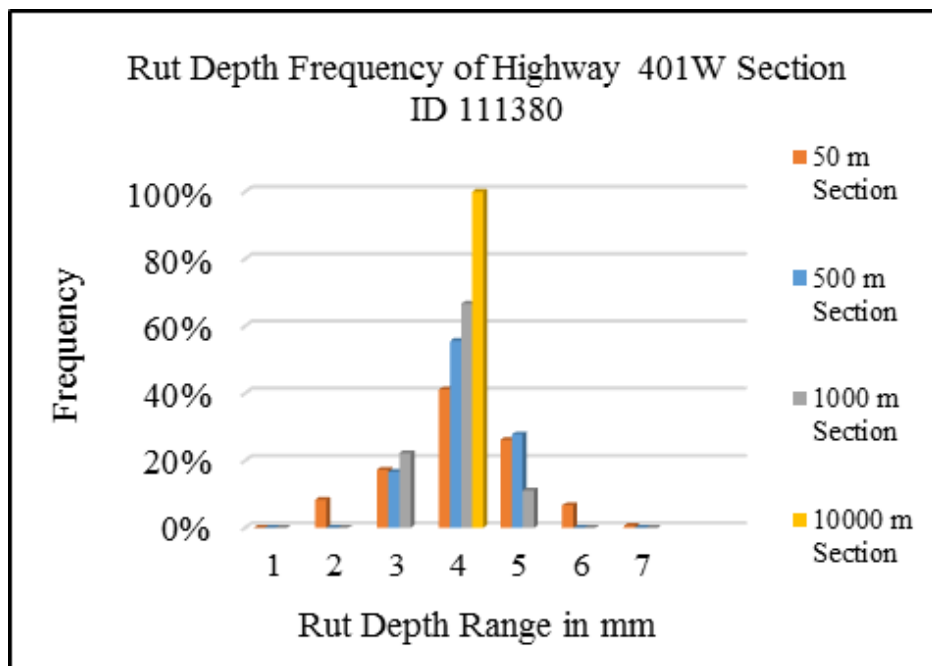


- Rectify any problem before overlaying
- Better the QA
- Lower the risk
- Longer life
- Lower life cycle costs



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# Importance of Section Length

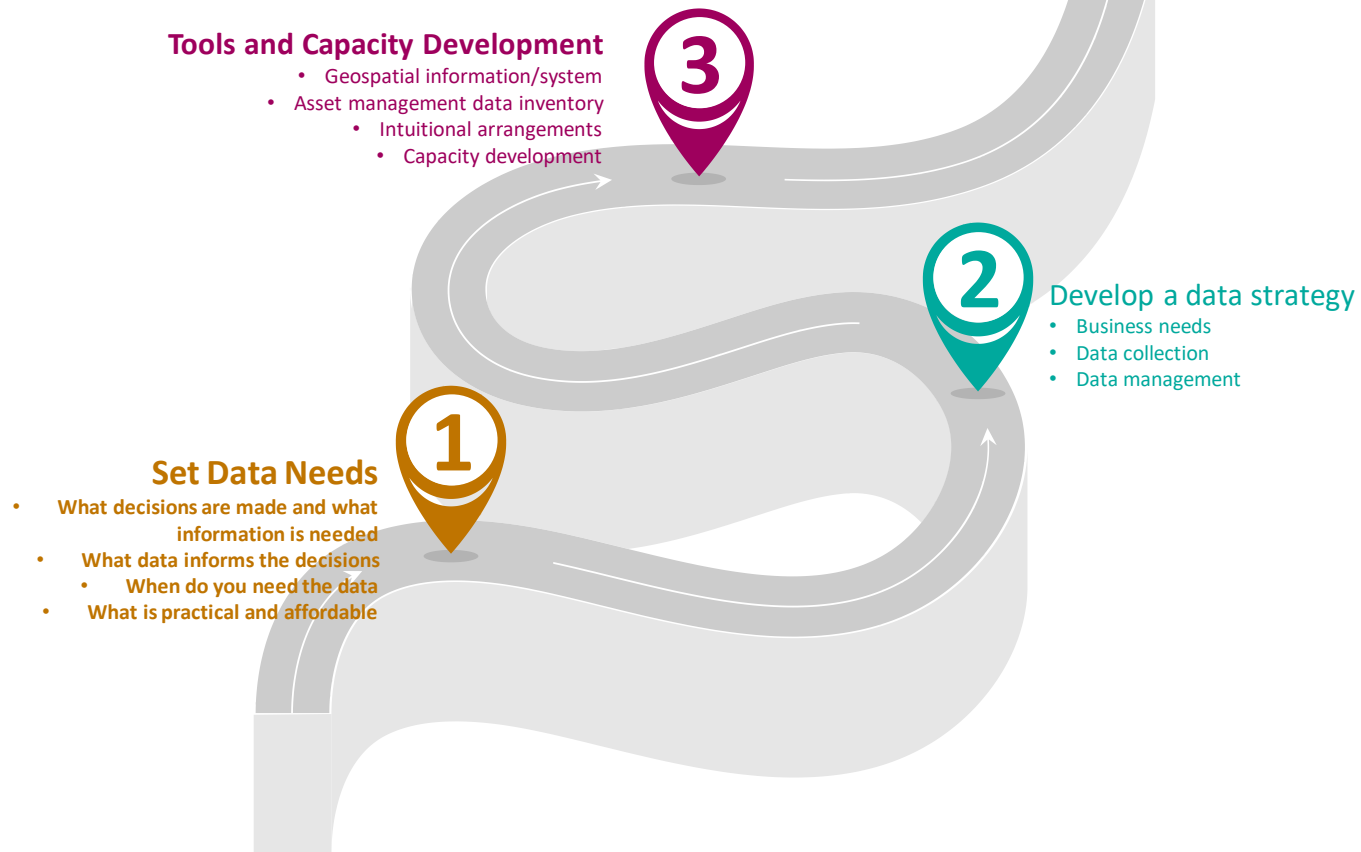


**To informed decisions can only be made from accurate data**

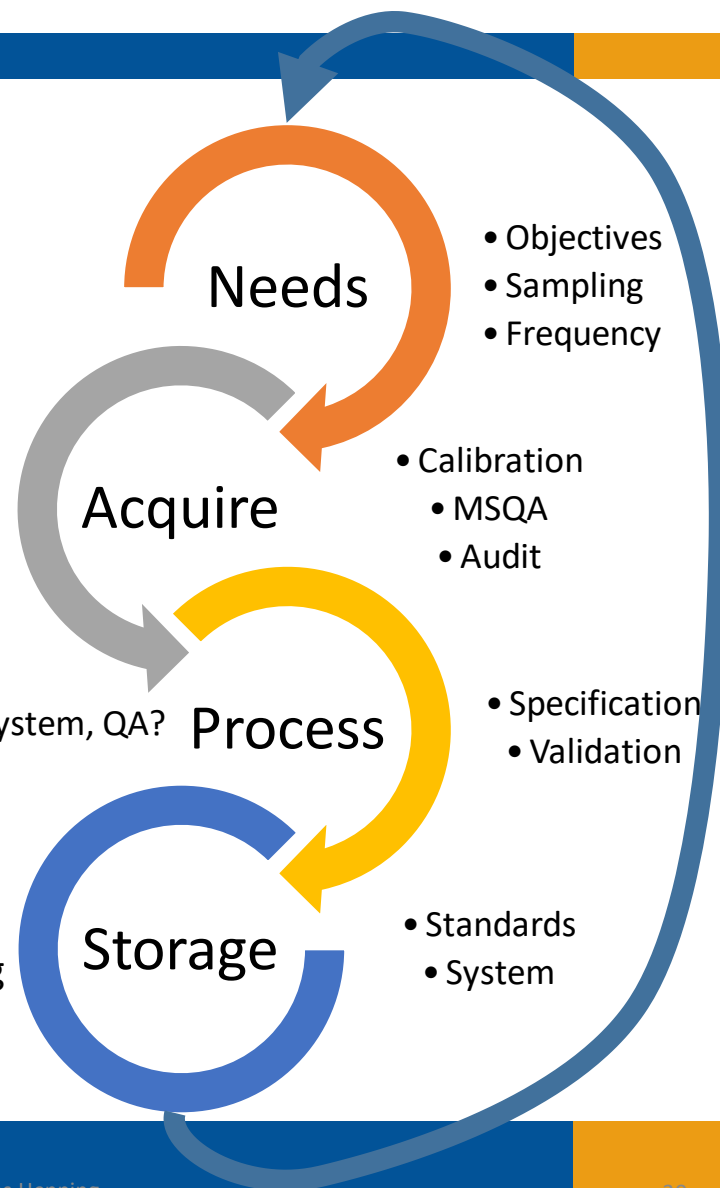


- Start with what you have
  - Using the data for 'real' gives it a purpose and drive improvements over time
- Developing an understanding for data items criticality
  - What difference does an item have on the final \$\$
  - Developing a habit of thinking in confidence ranges
  - Record data items for priority improvements

# ROADMAP DATA COLLECTION AND QUALITY IMPROVEMENTS



- **What do we need?**
- **Criticality and deterioration rates?**
  - Sample size, frequency, time of year?
- **Does it already exist?**
  - Where is it stored? Is it new?
- **How do we obtain it?**
  - Survey? Concurrently with other data?
- **Collection specifications?**
  - Calibration, accuracy, precision, repeatability, referencing system, QA?
- **Data specifications?**
  - Process raw to defined specification, Validation
- **How and where to store?**
  - Data standards. Who needs access? What reporting requirements?
- **Location Referencing.**
  - Link and node? Coordinates?



# Questions



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