

STORMSIM RUBBLE MOUND HINDCASTING FRAMEWORK

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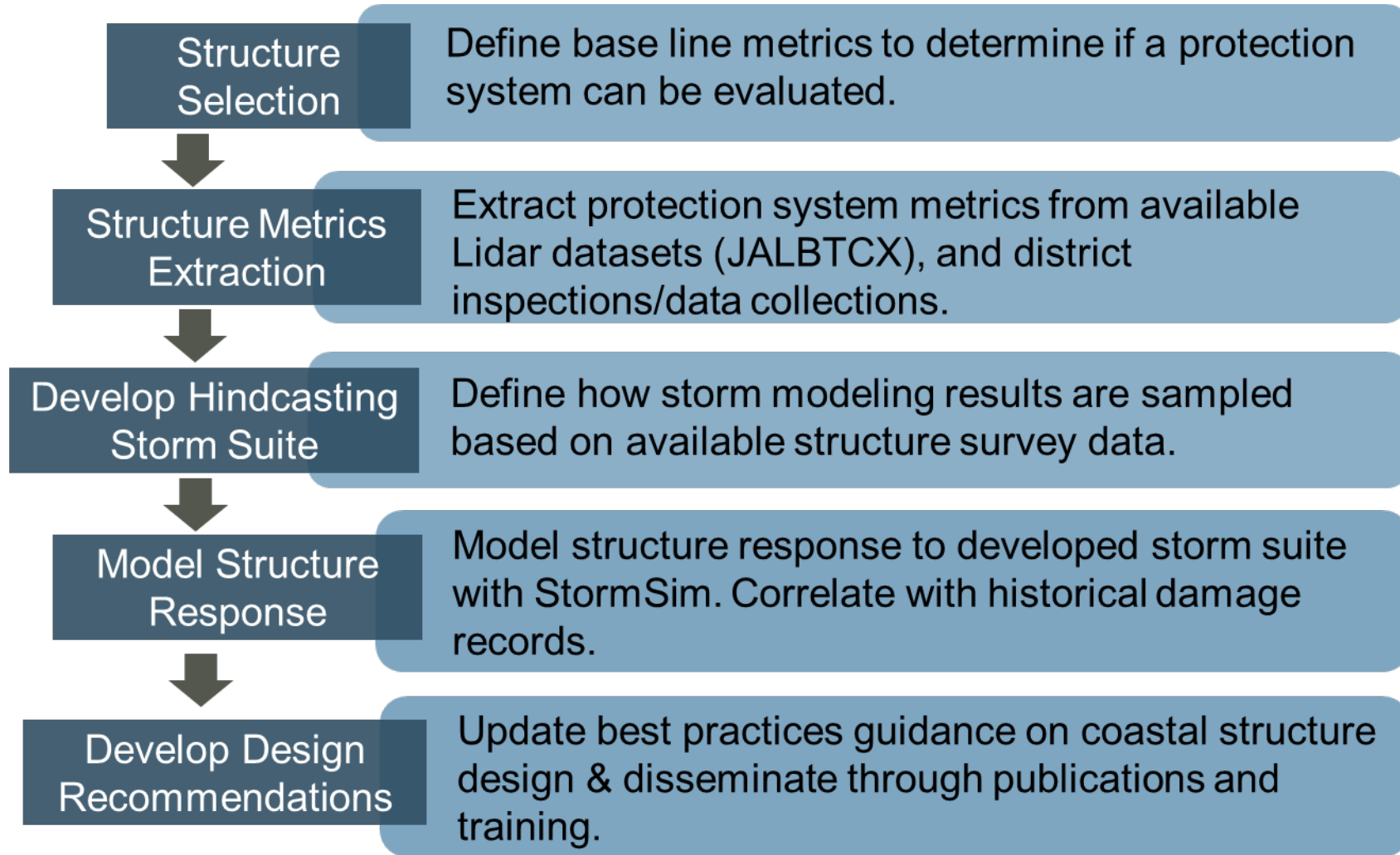
INTRODUCTION



- Present empirical coastal rubble mound damage predictions have not been validated with in-place designs over extensive wave and water level forcing conditions.
- This effort seeks to sort out and provide guidance on coastal rubble mound design and performance metrics (i.e., Annual Exceedance Probabilities (AEPs), level of confidence, and limit states) within the developed probabilistic framework.
- There is great potential for collaboration with field SME's/partners:
 - Hindcasting framework considerations
 - Any knowledge of high accuracy and/or frequency of damage quantification.
 - District projects that can serve as candidates to test the proposed framework (Data request)



RUBBLE MOUND HINDCASTING FRAMEWORK





1. STRUCTURE SELECTION

- USACE manages over +1000 rubble mound structures (breakwaters/Jetty).
- Structures will be selected based on the available data in the following context:
 - Lidar Surveys
 - Field inspections
 - Published Reports (i.e., REMR Reports)
- Analysis ability hinges upon frequency of damage information and quantification of damaged area.

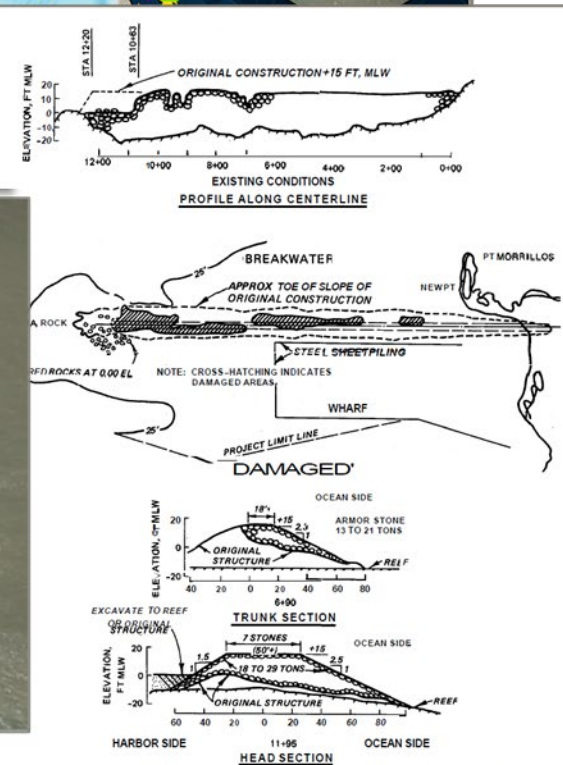
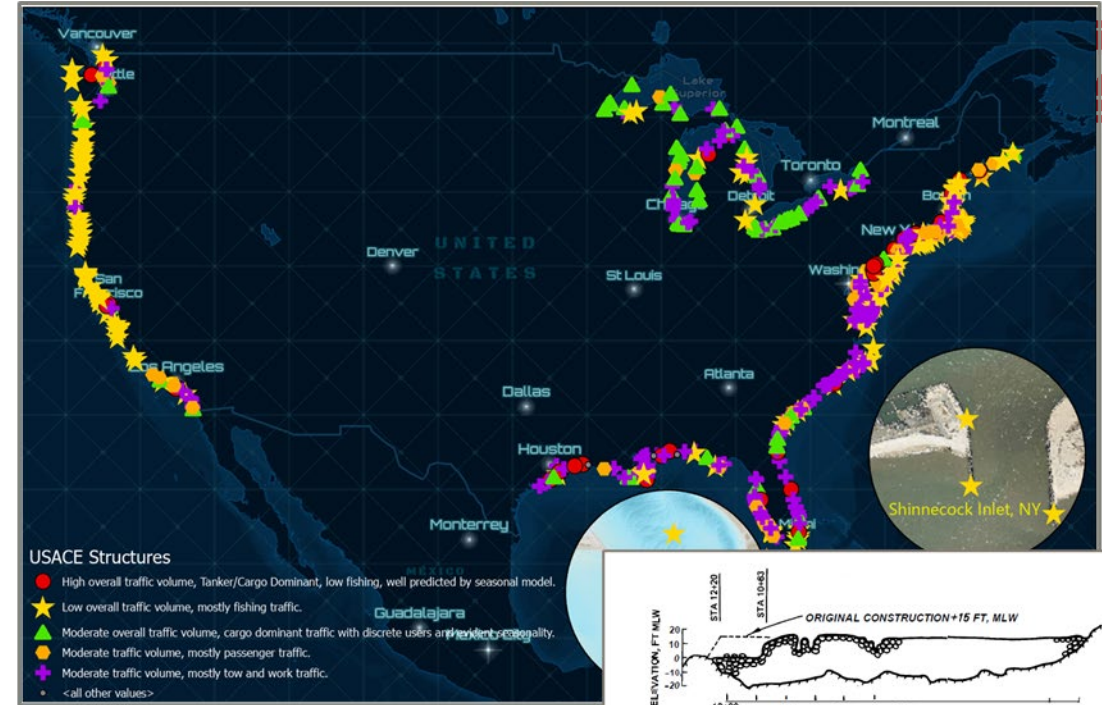


Figure 42. Arecibo Harbor existing damage prior to 1984 repairs and typical repair sections

*REMR-*Repair, Evaluation, Maintenance And Rehabilitation*



2. STRUCTURE METRICS

DEM Processing

Extract QC
Void Fill (if needed)

Transect Generation

@ 10-m spacing along structure centerline

Point Generation

@ 1-m spacing along structure transects

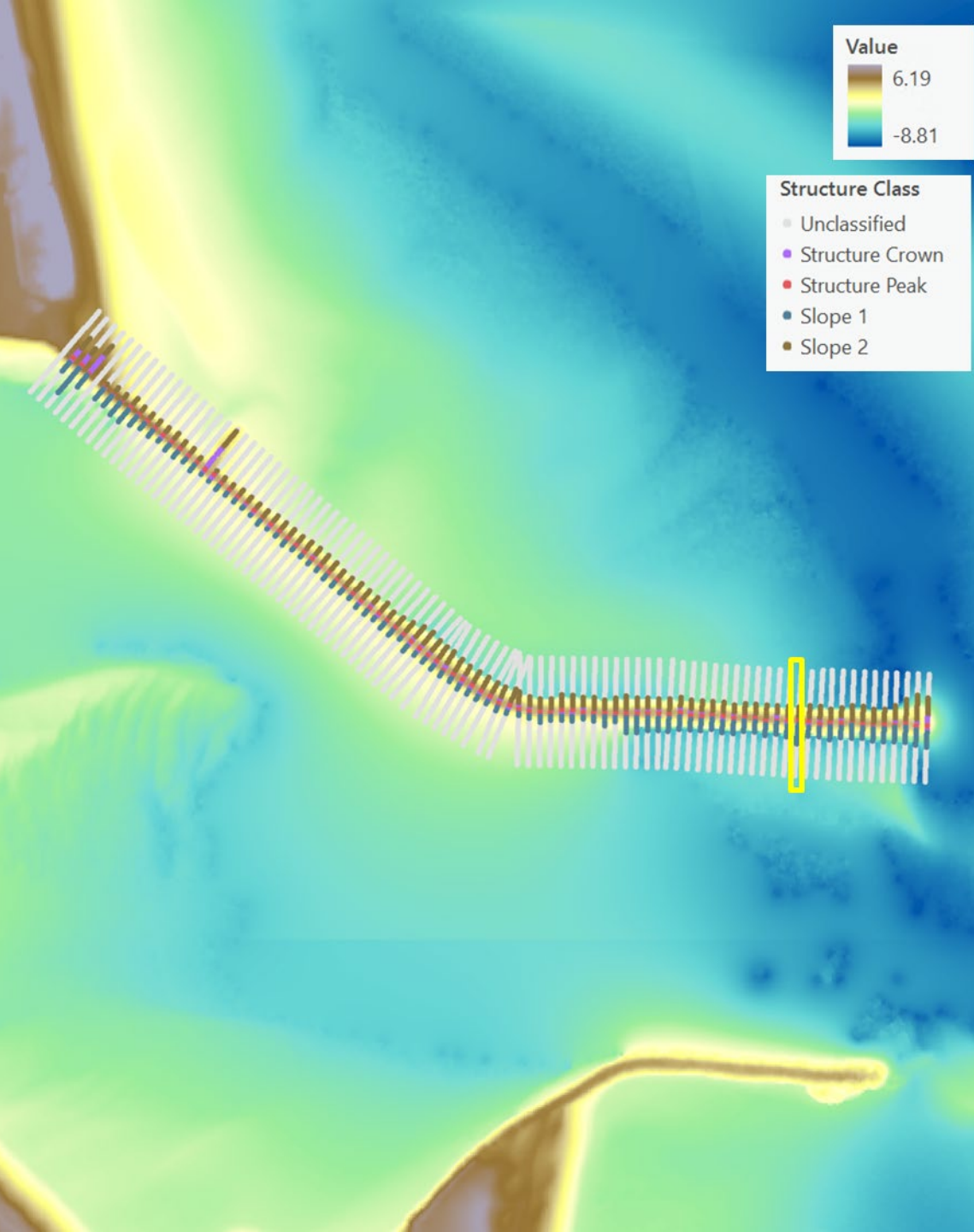
Structure Classification

Structure Crown
Side Slope 1
Side Slope 2

Metrics Computations

Elevation
Height
Slope
Width
Volume
Difference

NCMP Year	T 9
Elevation	2016.0
Height Above Base	2.29
Area	1.89
Slope Left of Peak	13.7
Crest Width	26.0
Transect ID	1.01
	9.0

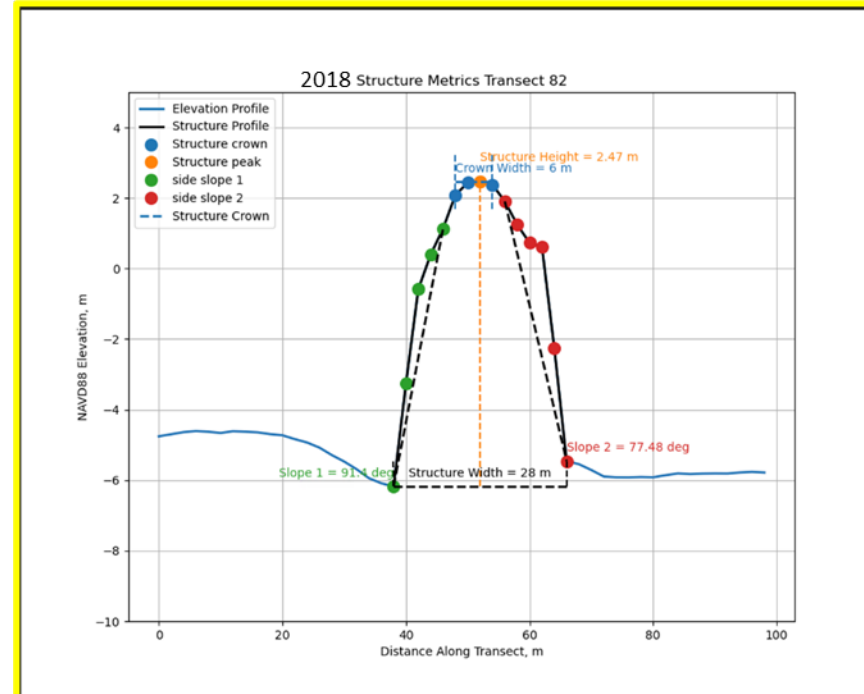
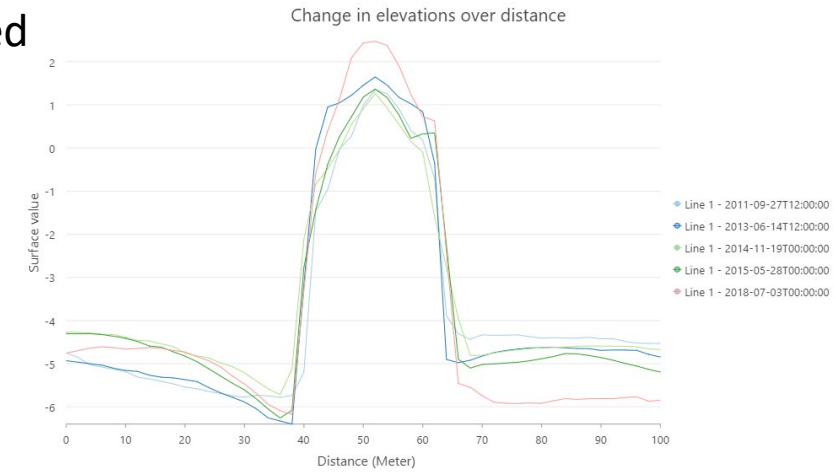


Merrimack River North Jetty

Lidar: 2018 NCMP (void-filled)

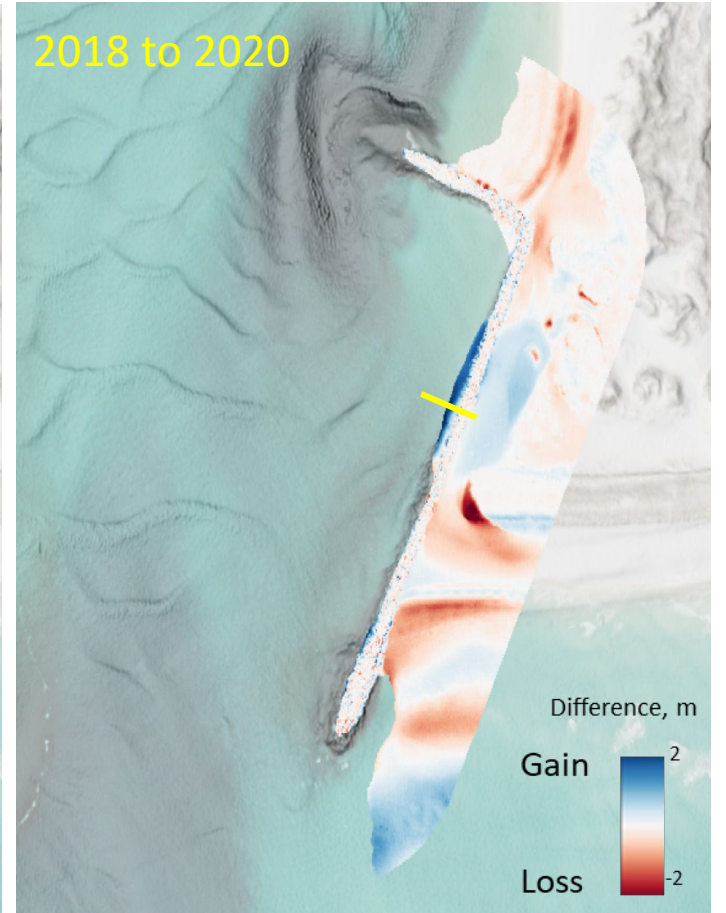
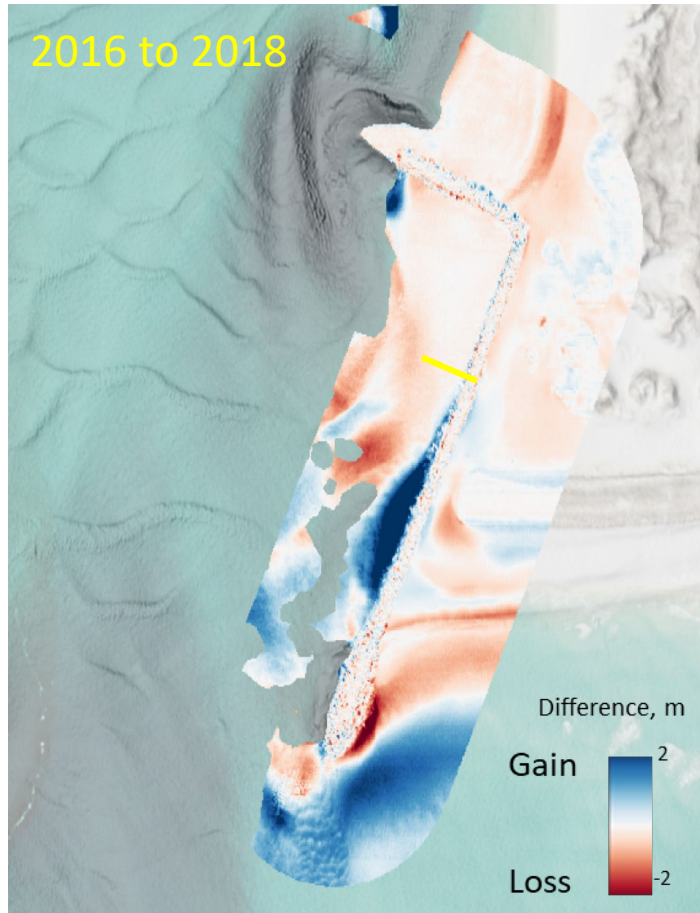
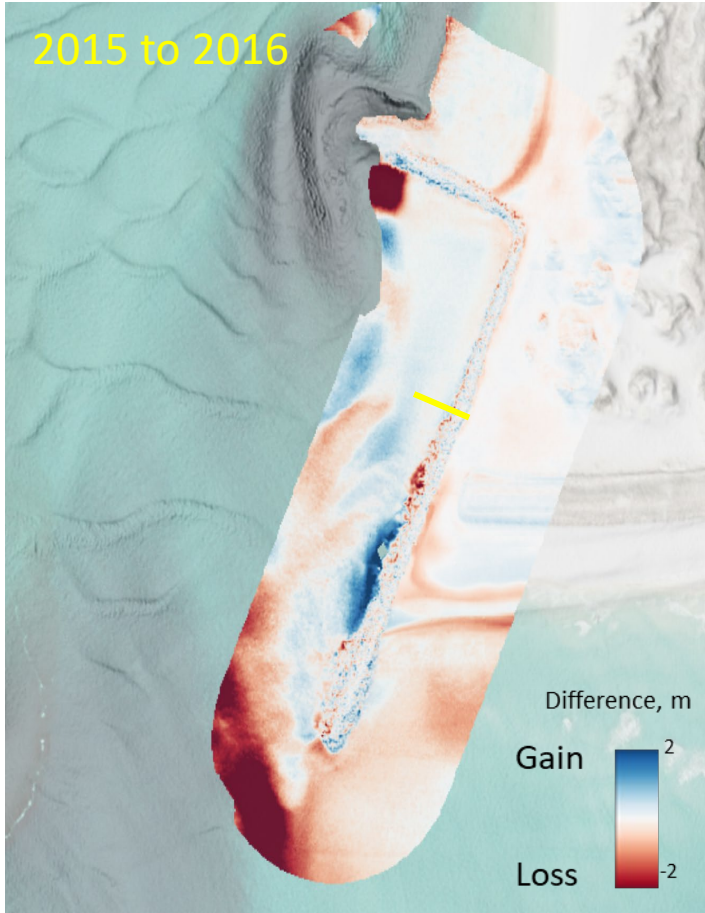
Centerline: hand-digitized

Transects: 10-m spacing



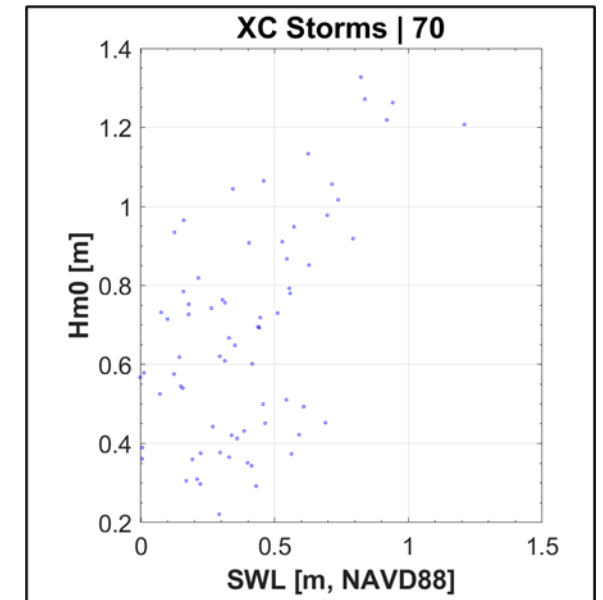
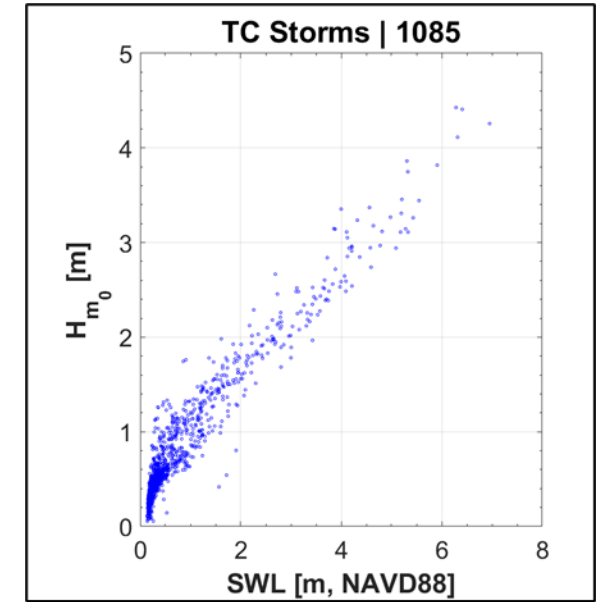


East Pass (FL) East Jetty Elevation Difference



3.HINDCAST STORM SUITE

- Hindcasting analysis will leverage the following data sources to characterize the forces acting upon the structures:
 - Wave Information Study (WIS)
 - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
 - Coastal Hazard System (CHS) -> surrogate models
- Hindcasting storm suite is built according to the surveying data found for the system.
 - Before/after extreme event
 - Data limited to specific extreme event. (historical)
 - Routine inspections
 - Surveys cover a range of years of operation.
 - Storm suite must be synthesized from mentioned sources.



Coastal Hazards System (CHS)

What is the CHS?

A national-scale, multi-agency initiative for accurate, efficient, and consistent quantification of coastal storm hazards along U.S. coastlines and other strategic locations critical to our national security.

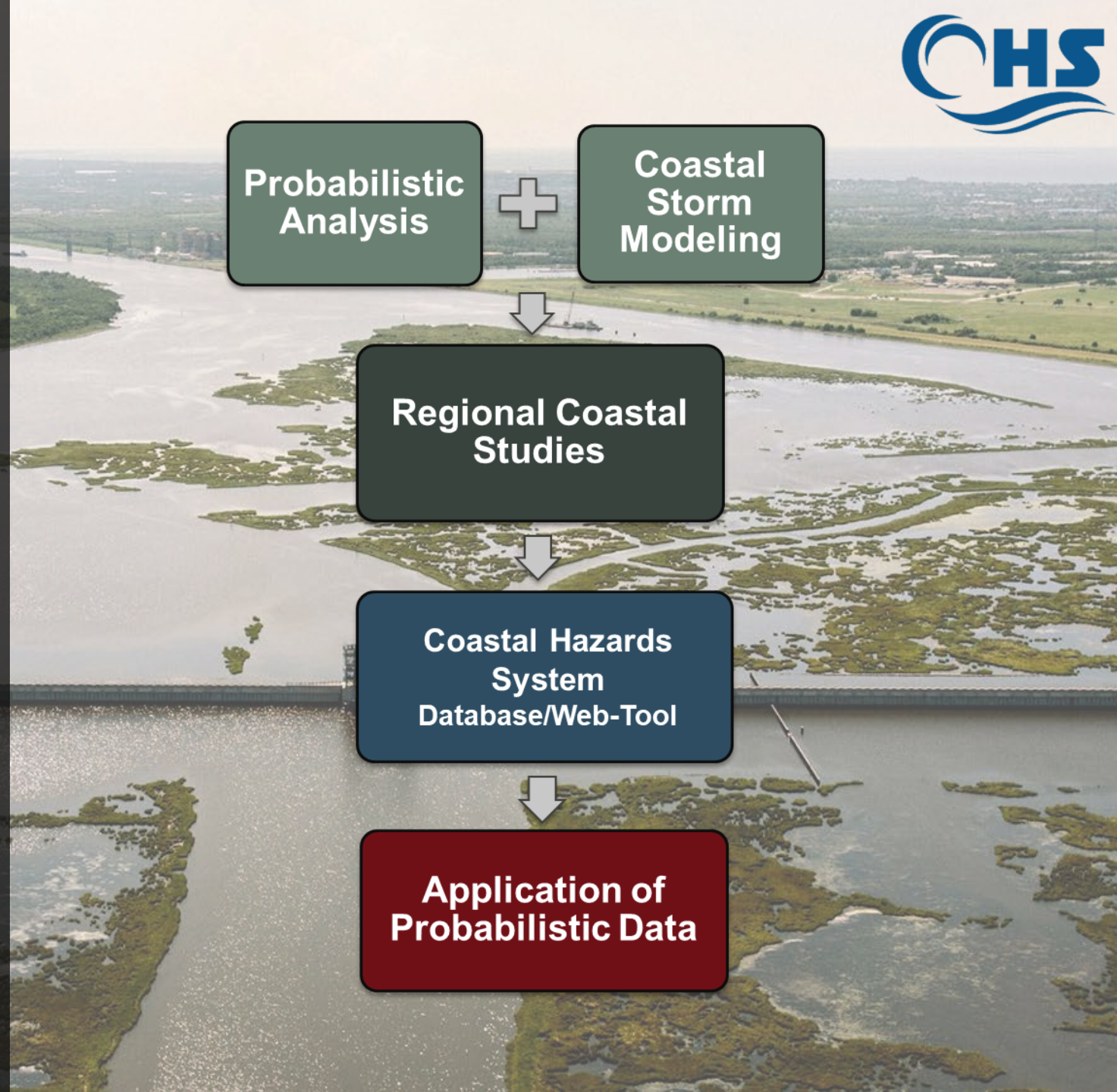
Goal:

Provide high-fidelity, high-resolution state-of-the-art hydrodynamic and probabilistic modeling and companion tools in a multivariate statistical context for coastal planning, engineering, and operations and maintenance.

Impact to the Nation:

Methods, data, and tools within the CHS serve as the basis for coastal engineering by providing high-fidelity, probabilistic coastal hazards on a national scale.

<https://chs.erdc.dren.mil>





Synthetic Storm Suite

(4,355 unique TCs)

- NACCS
1050 TCs (green tracks)
- SACS: NCSFL
1,060 TCs (orange tracks)
- SACS: SFLMS
1,085 TCs (cyan tracks)
- SACS: PR/USVI
300 TCs (red tracks)
- LACS
645 TCs (purple tracks)
- TXCS
660 TCs (yellow tracks)





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CHS INTERFACE



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Web-Tool / Study

Update: Filters must be applied below before viewing conditions.
Status: See Quick Start Guide in Help Menu for guidance.
SACS: Tropical Historic data has been broken out into their own Model Condition/Area for ease of access.

Regional Coastal Studies

Instructions

CHS - South Atlantic Coastal Study (CHS-SACS)

Save Point (Model Condition/Area)

Instructions

Apply Filter

Name	Select	Results	Statistics
▼ CHS-PR (PR & USVI)			
Tropical Historic	<input type="checkbox"/>	▢	▢
Base Conditions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	▢	▢
Base Conditions + SLC1	<input type="checkbox"/>	▢	▢
Base Conditions + SLC2	<input type="checkbox"/>	▢	▢
▼ CHS-SA (NC to SEFL)			
Tropical Historic	<input type="checkbox"/>	▢	▢
Base Conditions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	▢	▢
Base Conditions, Tides	<input type="checkbox"/>	▢	▢
Base Conditions + SLC1	<input type="checkbox"/>	▢	▢
Base Conditions + SLC2	<input type="checkbox"/>	▢	▢

Arecibo Harbor

Zoom to

Point Location: (-66.705, 18.4796)

Instructions

AEF AEFCond ADCIRC STWAVE Details

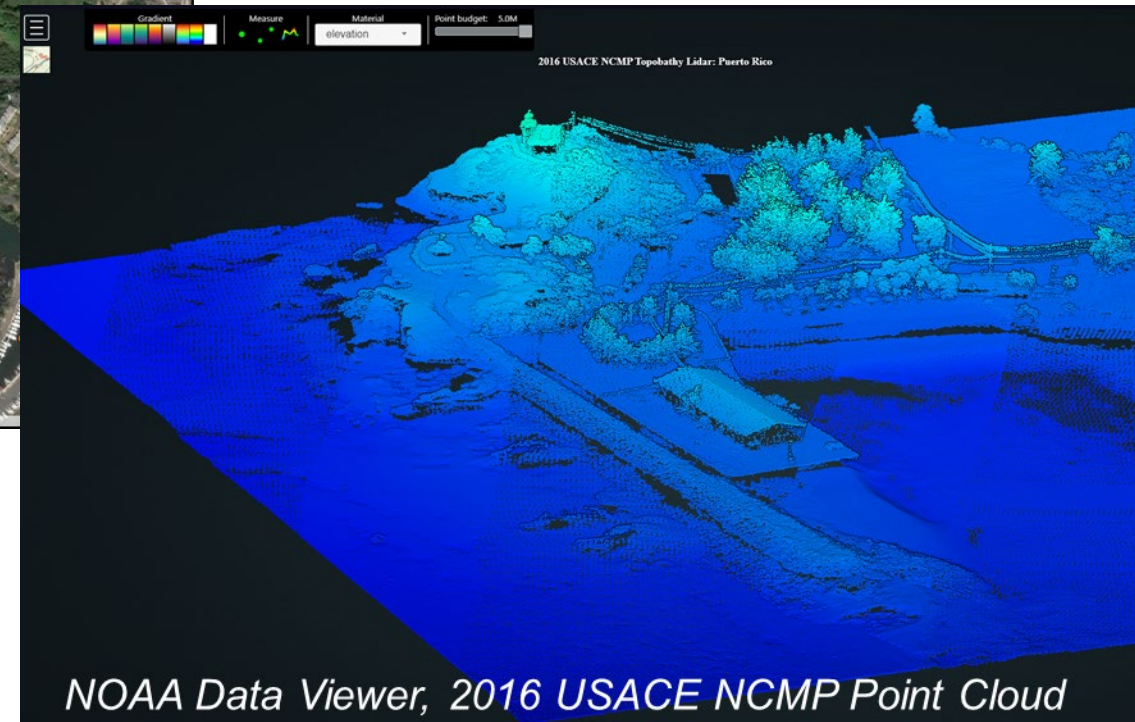
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Region/Condition	Hm0	SWL	Tp
Base Conditions	▢	▢	▢

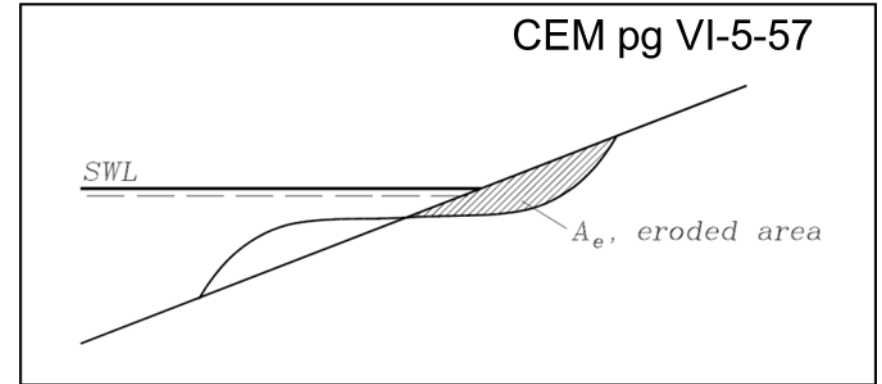
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- ADCIRC/STWAVE **Peaks**
- ADCIRC/STWAVE **Timeseries**
- **Associated probability and statistics files**
- Details regarding regional CSTORM modeling can be found on the CHS library.

Using CHS data takes care of multi variate problem (correlation of storm surge + waves.) and aleatory uncertainty.



- Initial protection system evaluation will be done with the Stochastic Storm Simulation (StormSim) library.
- The StormSim: Life Cycle Simulation module will be used to estimate the following responses:
 - Run-up (R2%)
 - Overtopping Discharge Rate (q)
 - Armor Stone Damage Progression (S)
- Additional modeling external to StormSim will be considered if needed on a structure-to-structure basis.



$$D = \frac{\text{number of displaced units}}{\text{total number of units in area}}$$

$$N_{od} = \frac{\text{number of units displaced}}{(\text{width of tested section})/D_n}$$

$$D = \frac{\text{average eroded area from profile}}{\text{area of average original profile}} \times 100\%$$

$$S = \frac{A_e}{D_{n50}^2}$$



WHAT IS STORMSIM?



- Universal, modular and data agnostic MATLAB functions library that provides users with tools that help in:
 - Probabilistic Coastal Structure Responses and Life Cycle Performance
 - CSRM Feasibility Studies and Engineering Design
 - Flood Risk Management
 - Data Visualization
 - Technology Integration
- Developed as part of regional studies (NACCS, CTXS, SACS) and reimbursable projects.
- Native support for CHS response and statistical data



STORMSIM: COMPUTATIONAL KERNELS & INTEGRATED WORKFLOWS



Response Base Kernel (For Peaks &/or Timeseries)

1. StormSim: Probabilistic Response Of Structures (PROS)
2. StormSim: Life Cycle Simulation (LCS)
3. StormSim: LCS-Coastal Structure Reliability (LCS-CSR)
4. StormSim: LCS-CSR: Damage Progression Analysis (DPA)

Frequency Base Kernel

1. StormSim: PROS-Frequency Base (PROS-FB)
2. CSRM Spreadsheet

***Everything is executed from a centralized master script**

StormSim: PROS Responses
Run-up [m]
Combined Overtopping Discharge Rate [m ³ /s per m] (q _{wave_ot} + q _{overflow})
Overtopping Discharge Rate [m ³ /s per m] by wave overtopping
Overtopping Discharge Volume [m ³ per m]
Median Seaside Stone Size [m]
Median Leaside Stone Size [m]
Low Crested Median Seaside Stone Size [m]
Goda Wall Pressures [Pa]
Overtopping Nappe Responses

StormSim: LCS Responses
Seaside Armor Damage
Leaside Armor Damage
Low Crested Armor Damage
StormSim: PROS supported response in a LC context

1. Forcing:

- Extratropical (XC) & Tropical Cyclones (TC)
- Storms/Events (Peaks/Timeseries)
- Steric SWL
- Tides
- RSLC

2. Protective System Element (PSE's):

- Levee, Rubble Mound, Floodwall

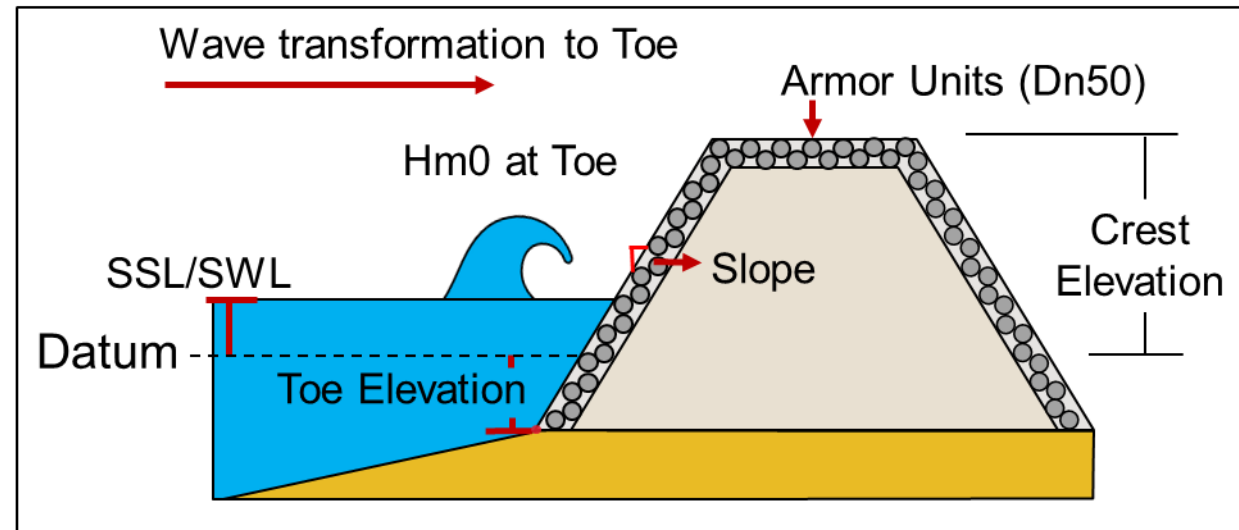
3. Uncertainty:

- Aleatory (e.g. annual, intra-annual storm variability)
- Epistemic (i.e., Model Error)

4. Configuration File:

- Project/Module set-up

What does StormSim “see” in a simulation?



*SSL -> Storm Surge Level

*SWL -> Storm Water Level (SSL + Tides + SLR + other)



DESIGN VS PERFORMANCE



CHS defines the baseline storm suite and covers the full probability space.

Define Storm Suite

StormSim: PROS (Design)

StormSim: LCS (Performance)

Pseudo Monte Carlo

Create project forcing with discretize standard normal distributions

Compute peak structure responses for all storms

Add response uncertainty (epistemic) and integrate

Extremal Distributions (hazard curves)

StormSim: SST
StormSim: JPM

Deterministic

Stochastic

Build LC of historical data

Create project forcing with random sampling of extreme events

Add uncertainty (epistemic) to all LC

Compute structure responses for all timesteps across all LC's

Structure performance metrics

StormSim:CSR

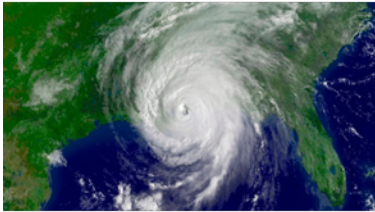


STORMSIM: MASTER SCRIPT FLOWCHART

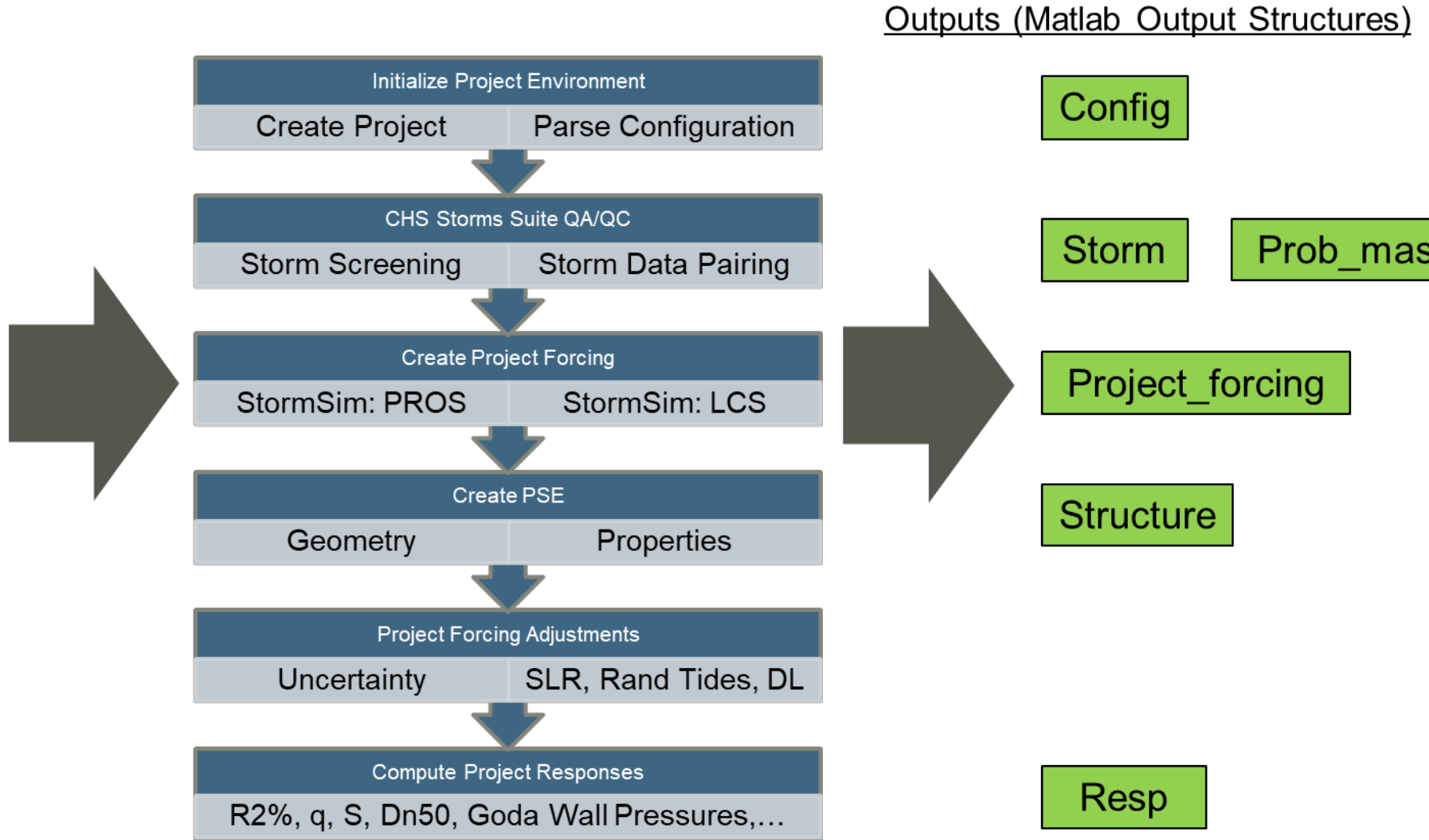


Inputs

Configuration File



Uncertainty

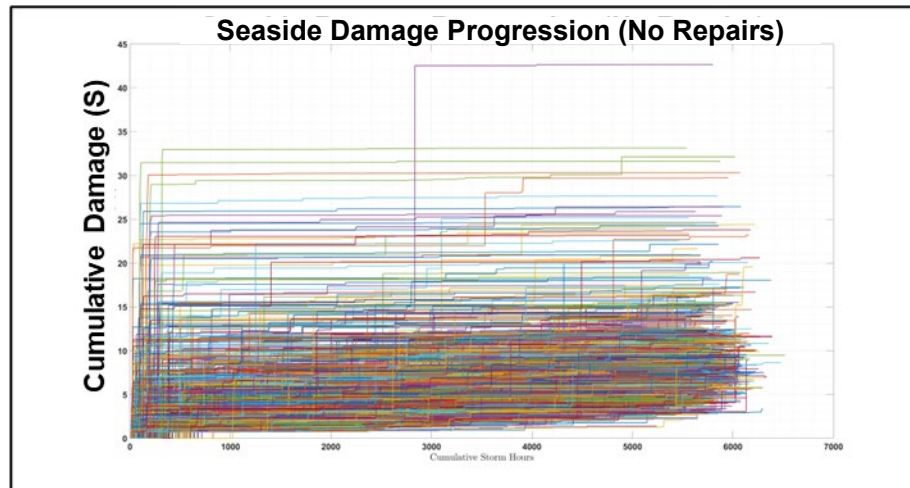




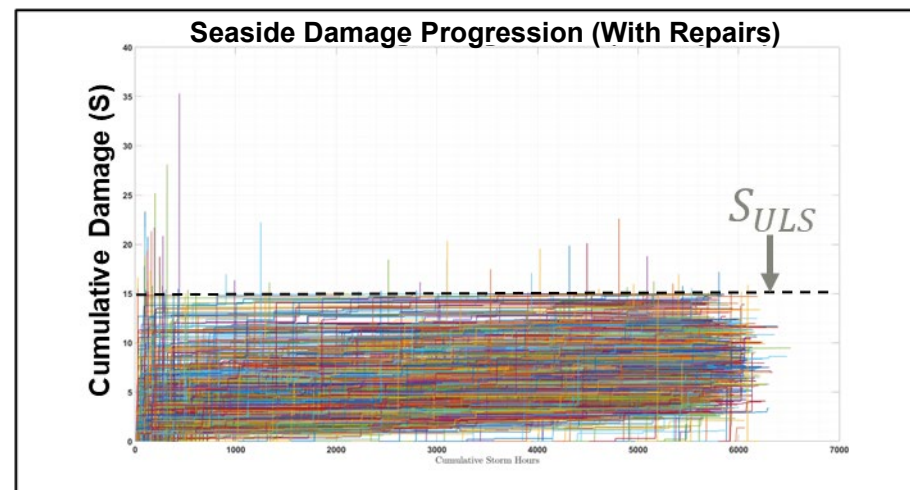
STORMSIM RESPONSES EXAMPLE OUTPUTS



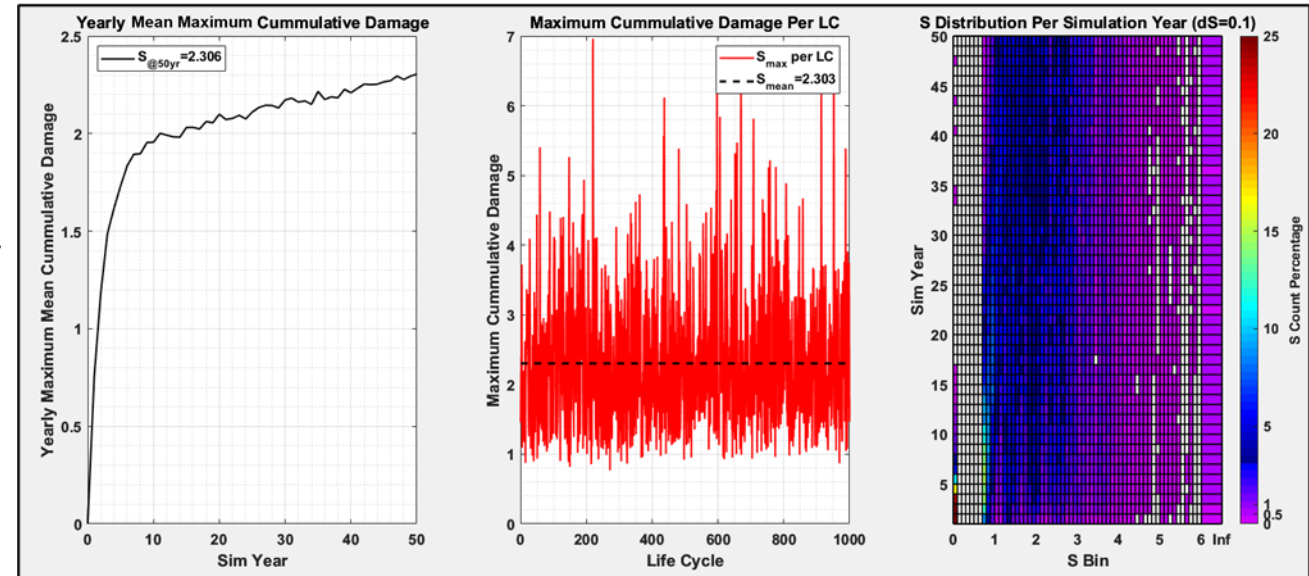
Damage Accumulation No repairs



Damage Accumulation With repairs



Yearly Mean Maximum Cumulative Damage



How are yearly values computed?

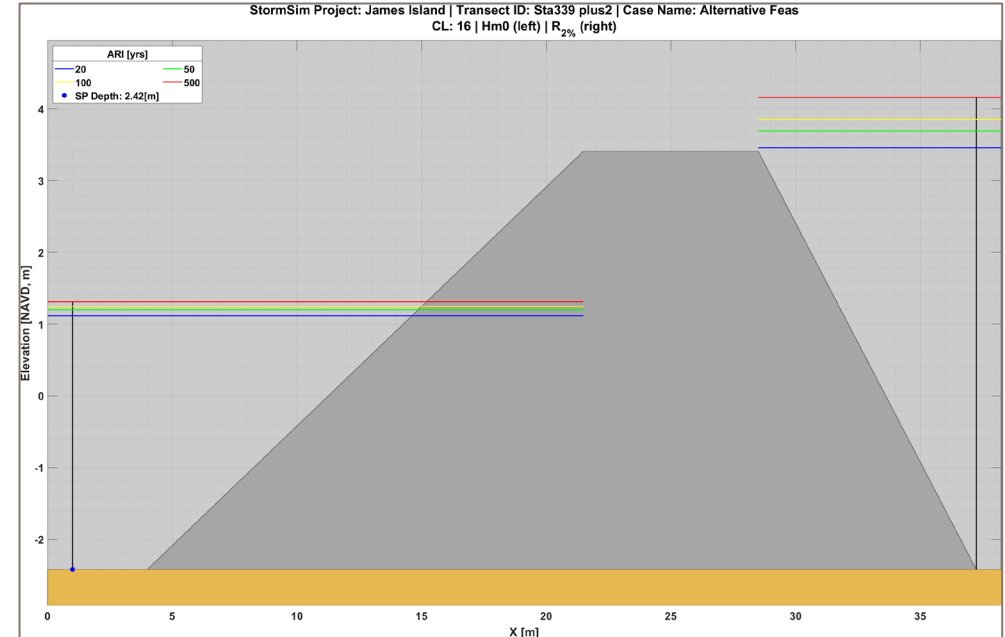
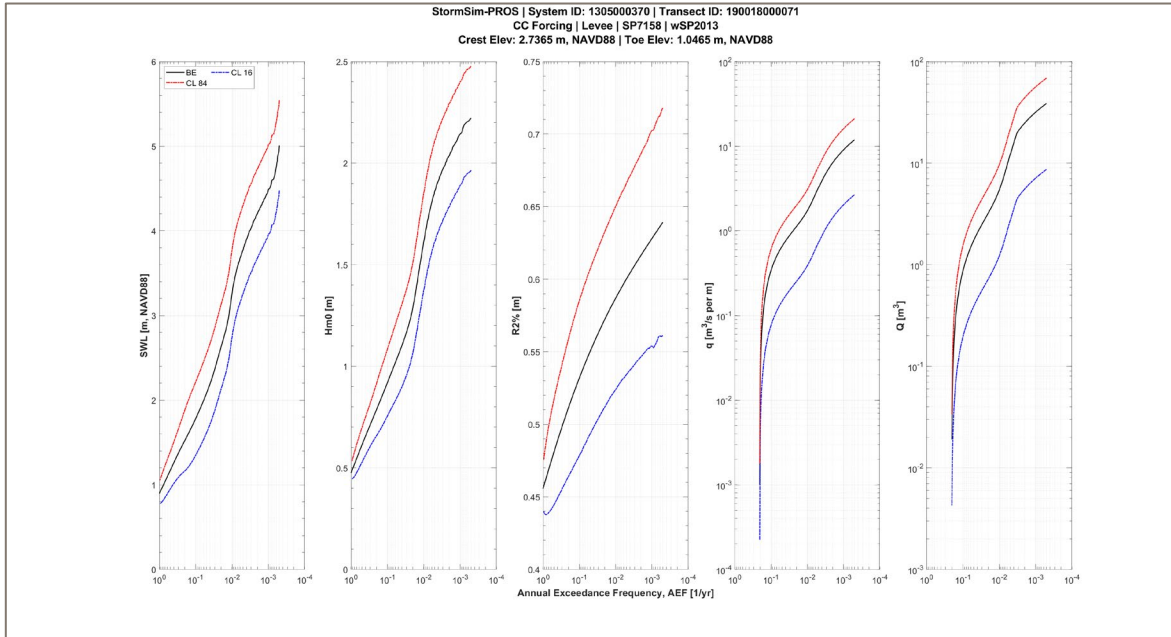
1. Bin all storms damage vectors across all LC by simulation year.
2. Find the maximum cumulative damage (S) for all storm damage vectors across all bins.
3. Average out the maximum values to get a singular value for year N (Mean-maximum)



STORMSIM RESPONSES EXAMPLE OUTPUTS, CONT.



Storms & Structure Responses Hazard Curves



StormSim: PROS leverages the use of:

- StormSim: Joint Probability Method (JPM)
- StormSim: Stochastic Simulation Technique (SST)



CURRENT STATUS



- StormSim Library is near beta stage.
- StormSim documentation is in process.
- Hindcasting is currently in the structure selection stage. Aiming to pick 5 protection systems to evaluate through framework.
- Structure analysis will serve as a reference to guide district partners in the evaluation of new systems or repairs.



STORMSIM INTEREST?



Levels of engagement:

- Rubble mound Hindcasting
 - Provide candidate structure corresponding surveying data.
- Beta testing
 - Testing of StormSim library and review of guidance draft documents.
- Tool improvements:
 - Provide feedback on missing metrics for project deliverable.
- Python conversion:
 - Interest on helping the migration of StormSim to Python.



QUESTIONS





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