

# Performance-Based Seismic Assessment of Skewed Bridges



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# Goals

## Modeling skew abutment response

Developing *NLTH* simulation models for skew bridges

Exploring and quantifying skew-bridge response

$$\lambda(DV) = \int \int \int G(DV | DM) \cdot dG(DM | EDP) \cdot dG(EDP | IM) \cdot d\lambda(IM)$$







# Previous Studies

## Straight Abutment:

Aviram, Mackie, and Stojadinovic 2008

Johnson et al. (2009), Kotsoglou and Pantazopoulou (2010), Mackie and Stojadinovic (2007), Paraskeva et al. (2006)

## Skewed Abutment:

Abdel-Mohti and Pekcan (2008)

Meng and Lui (2000), Maragakis (1984), Wakefield et al. (1991), Ghobarah and Tso (1974)



# Outcome Summary

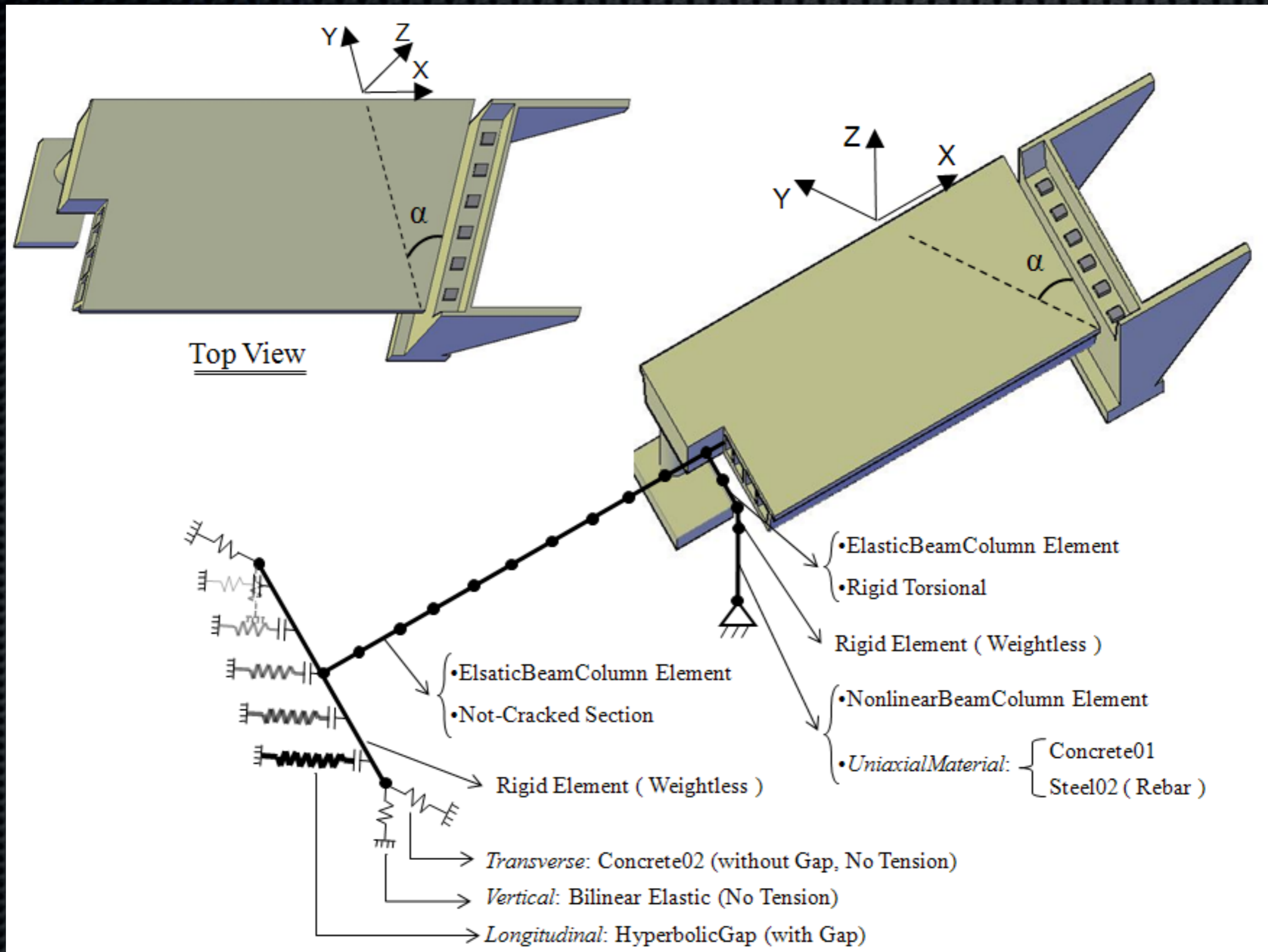


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1. New Skewed Bridge Modeling Technique
2. Efficient Ground Motion Intensity Measure (*IM*)
3. Trend Observations of Skewed Bridge Response
4. Multi-phase Probabilistic Assessment of Structural Response to Seismic Excitations (M-PARS) Method

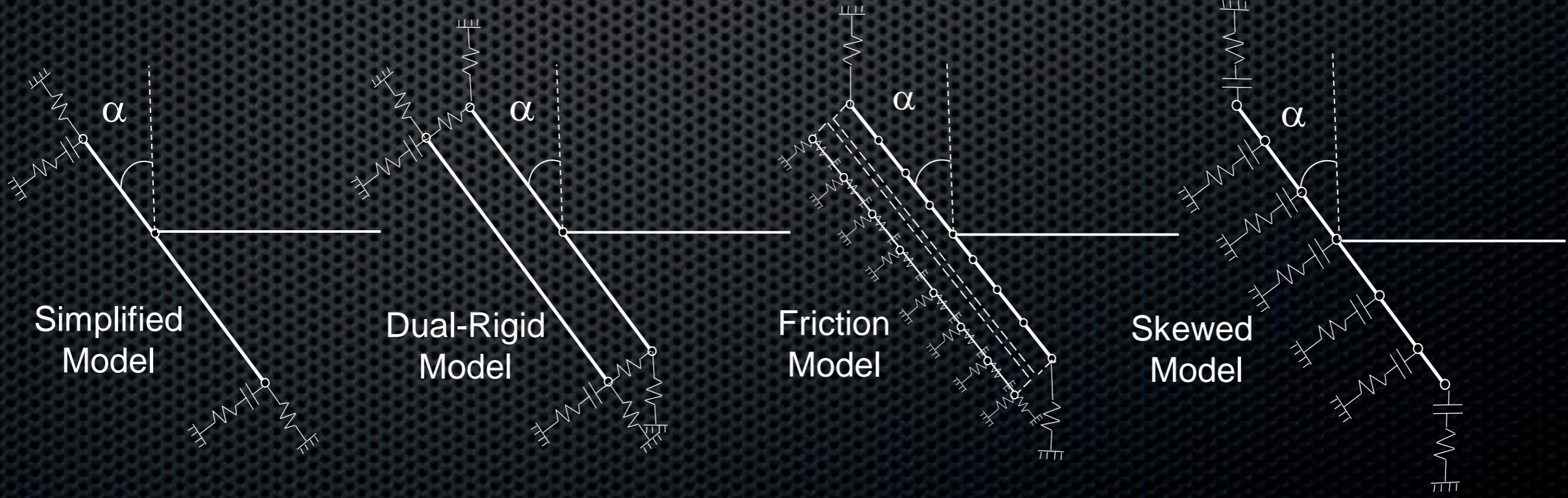
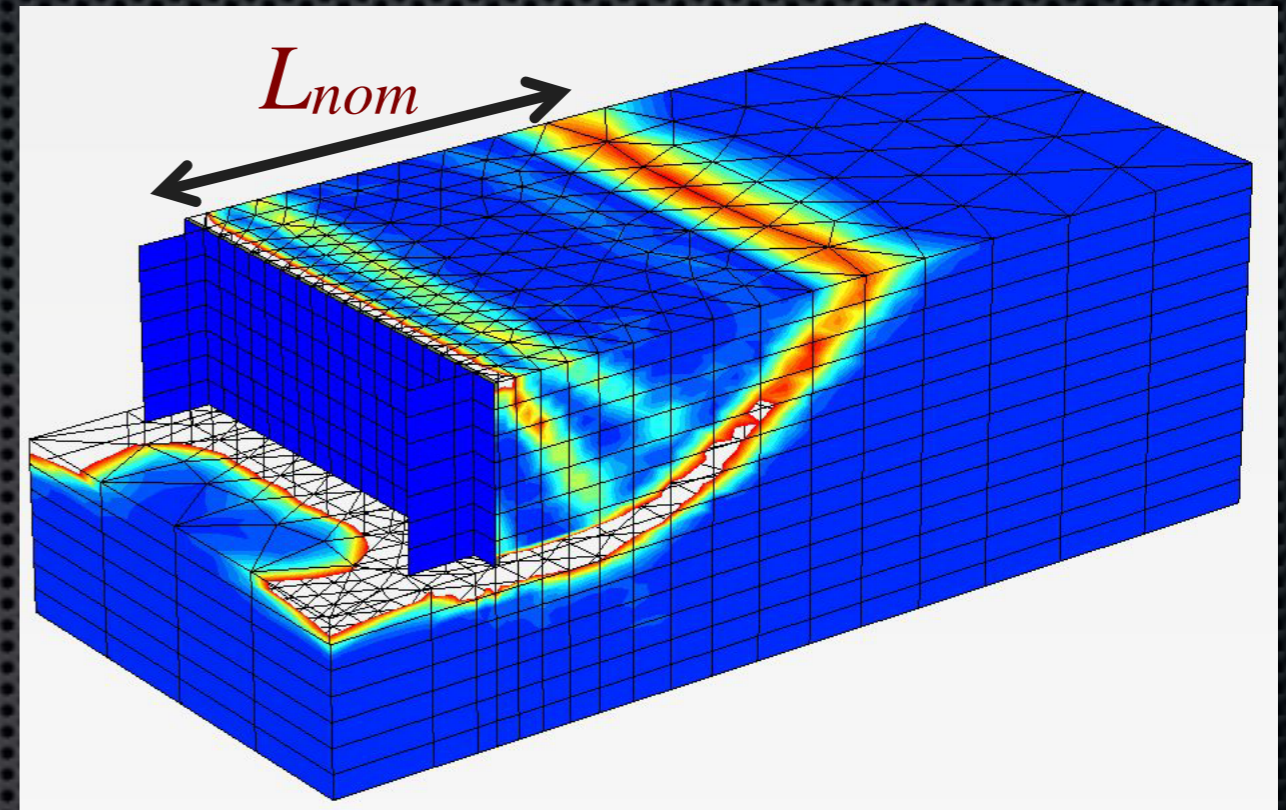
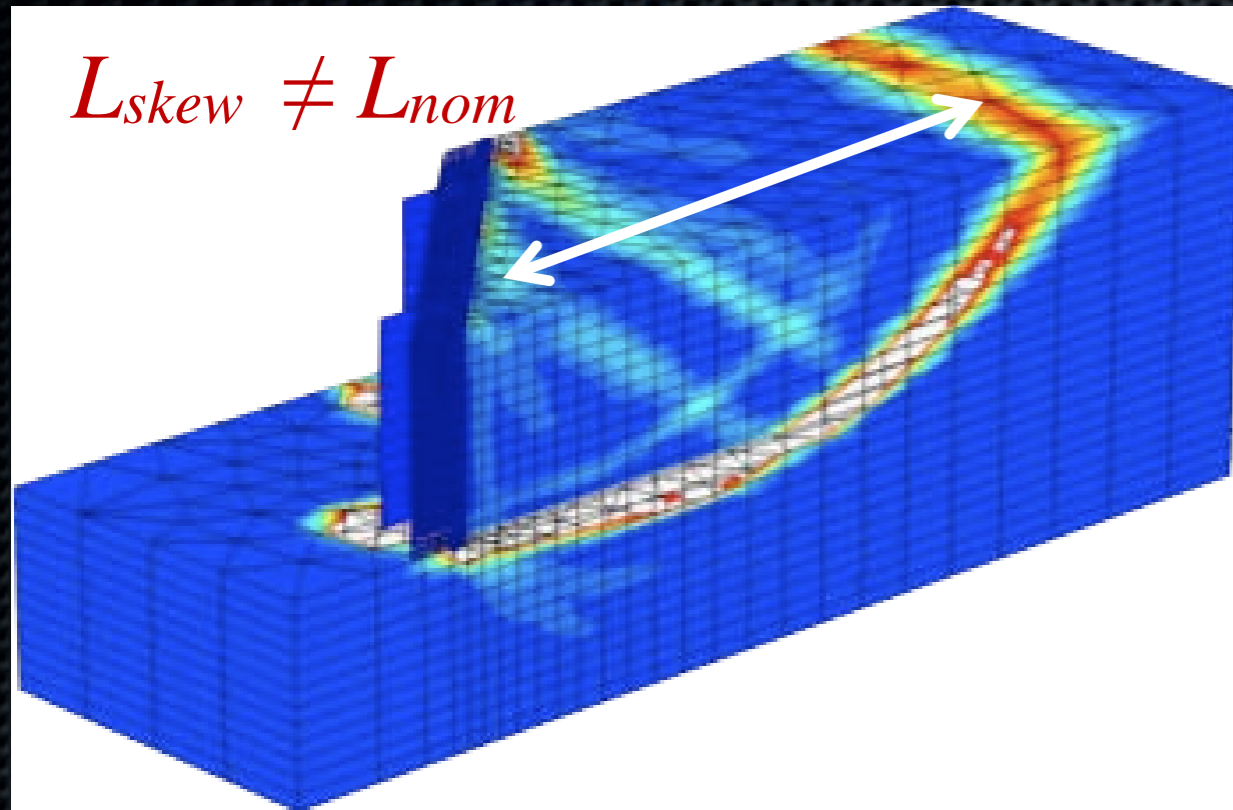


# Anatomy of Bridge Model



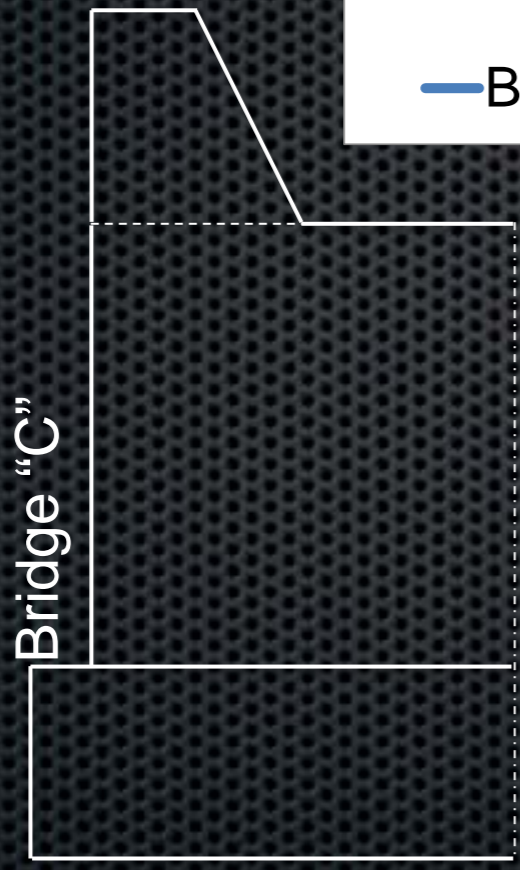
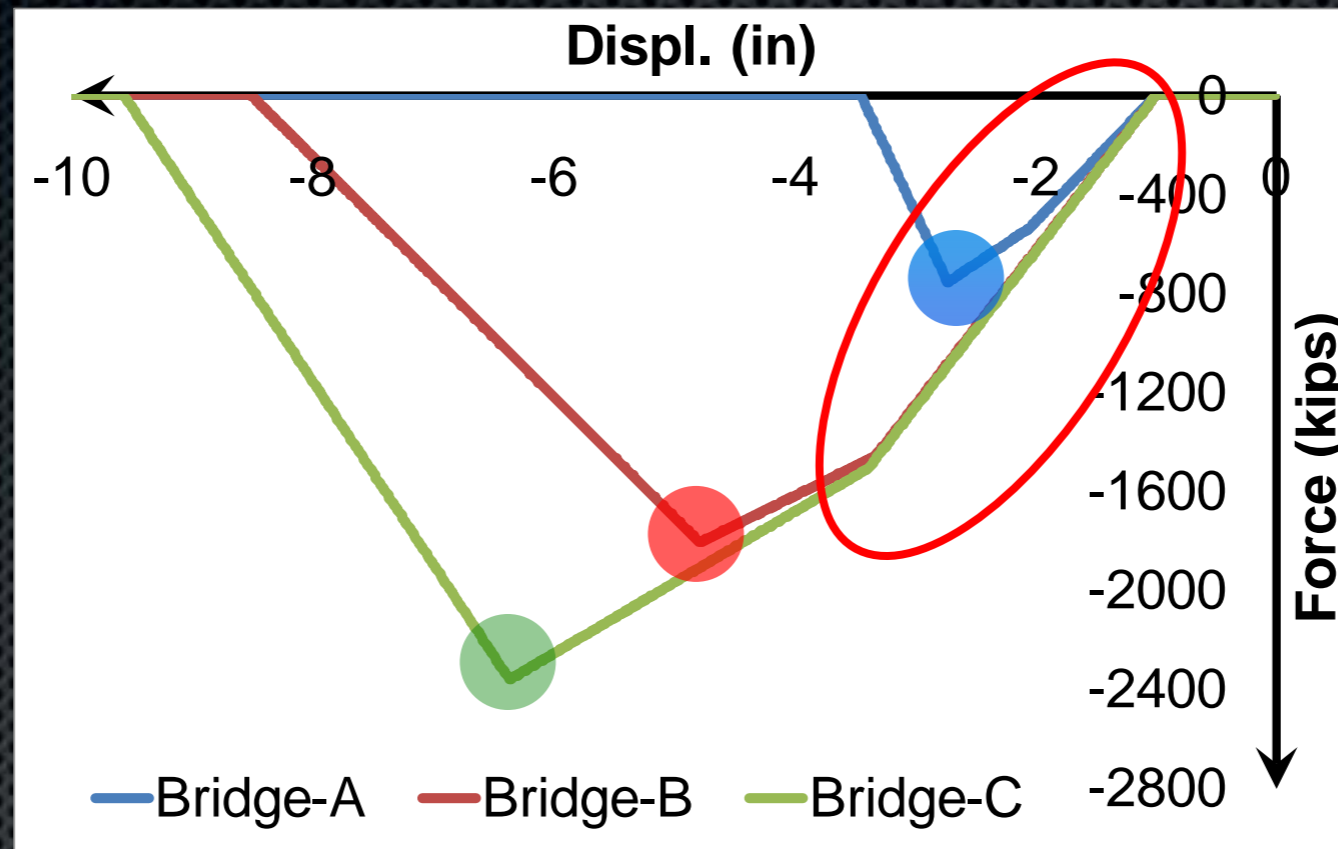


# Abutment Modeling

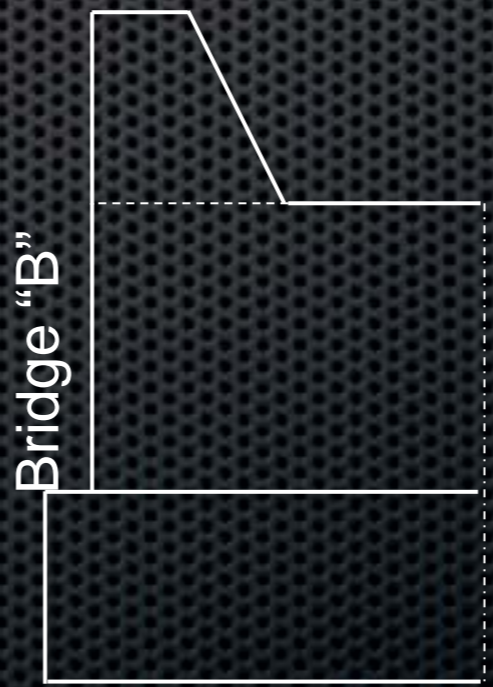




# Shear Key Modeling



$V_{N,C} = 2360$  kips



$V_{N,B} = 1810$  kips



$V_{N,A} = 755$  kips



# Bridge Matrix



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*The Jack Tone Road On-Ramp Overcrossing*



*The La Veta Avenue Overcrossing*



*The Jack Tone Road Overhead*

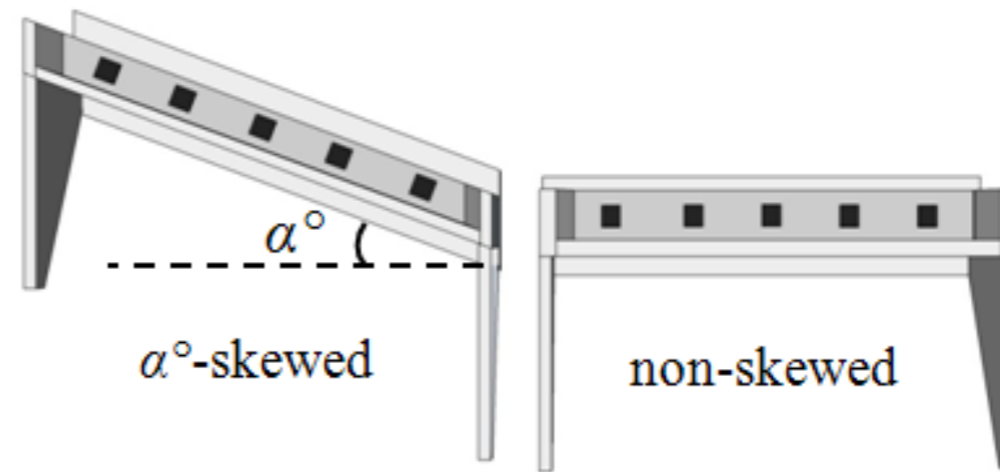




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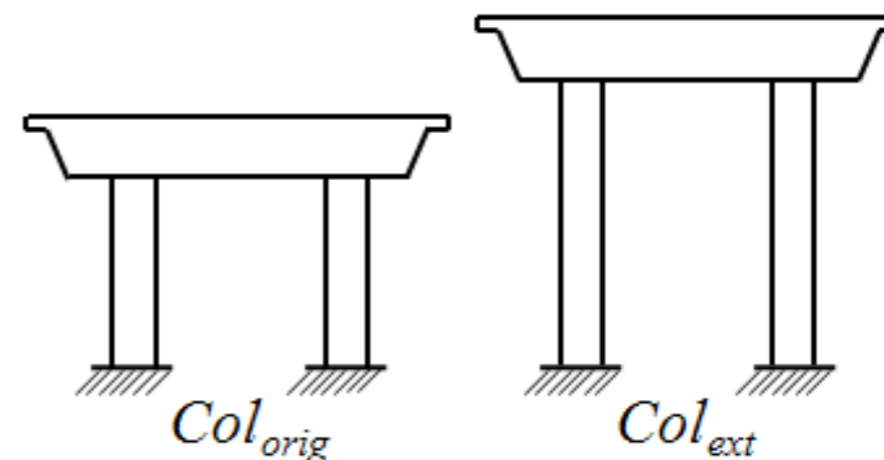


**Abutment skew angle** {  
 0°  
 15°  
 30°  
 45°  
 60°



**Column-bent height**

{  
 ➤ Original height  
 ( $Col_{orig}$ )  
 ➤ Extended height  
 ( $Col_{ext} = 1.5 \times Col_{orig}$ )



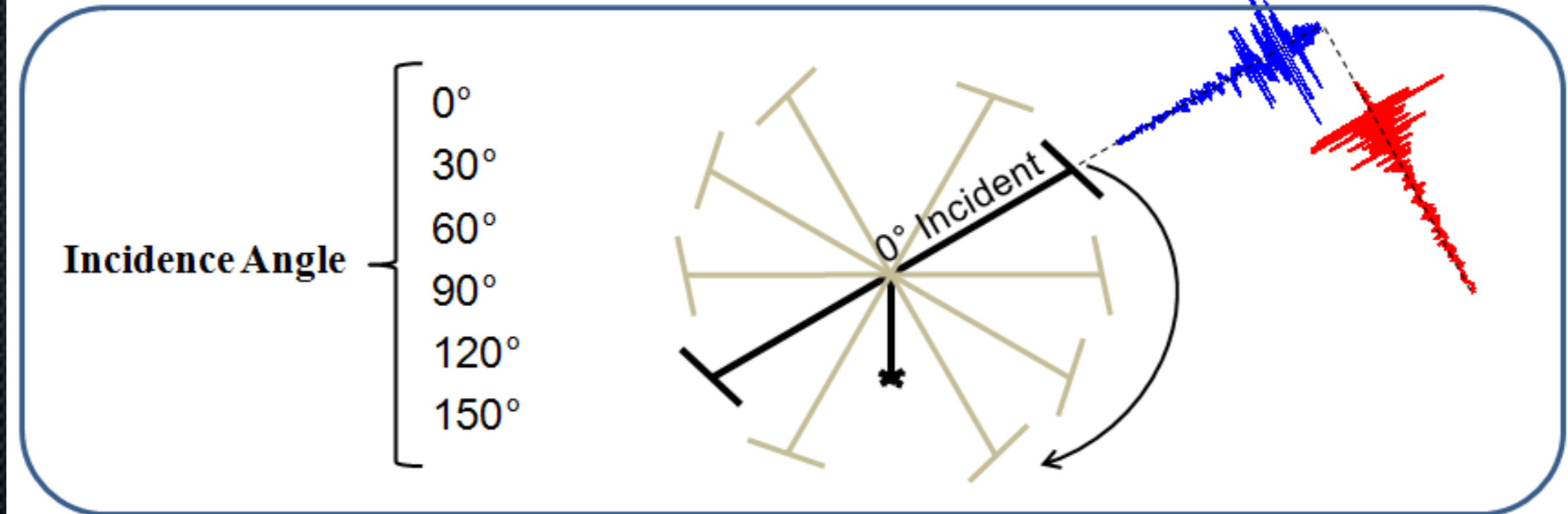
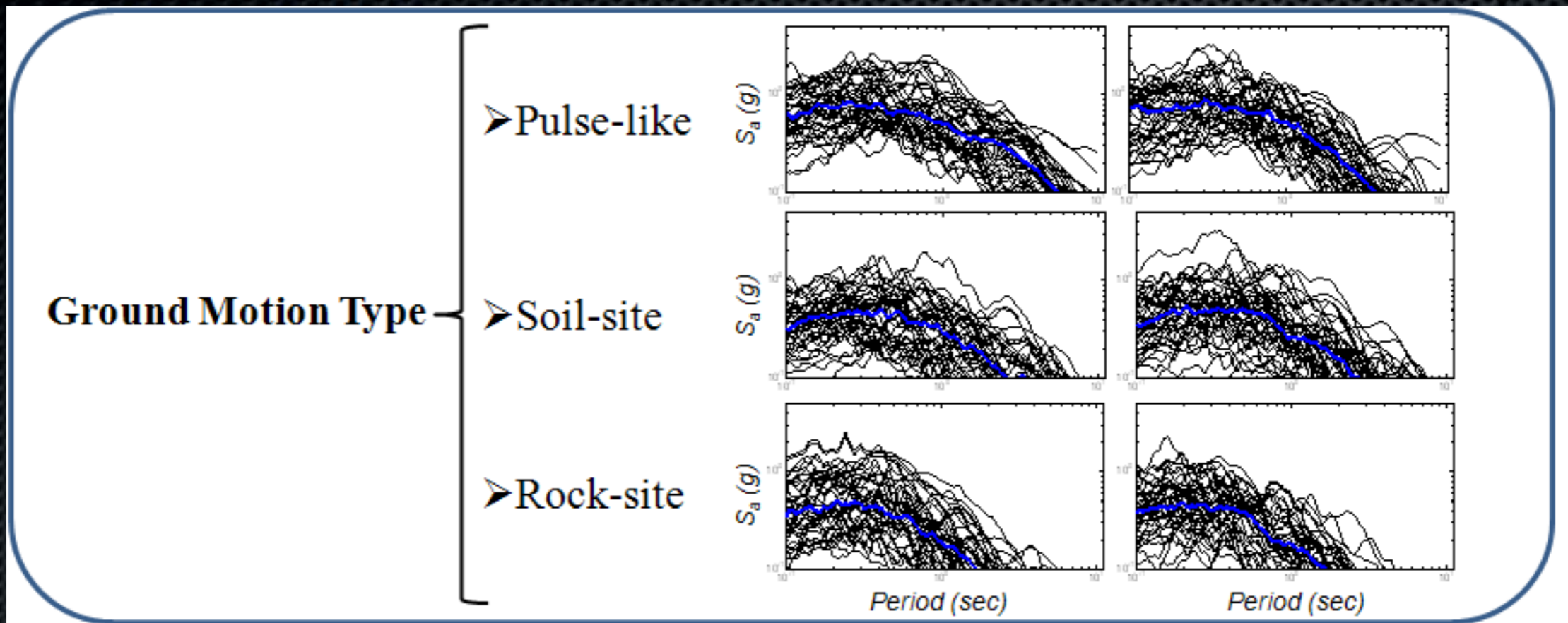
**Span arrangement**

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 ➤ Symmetric  
 ➤ Asymmetric

Bridges	Symmetric	Asymmetric
"Bridge A"		
"Bridge B"		
"Bridge C"		



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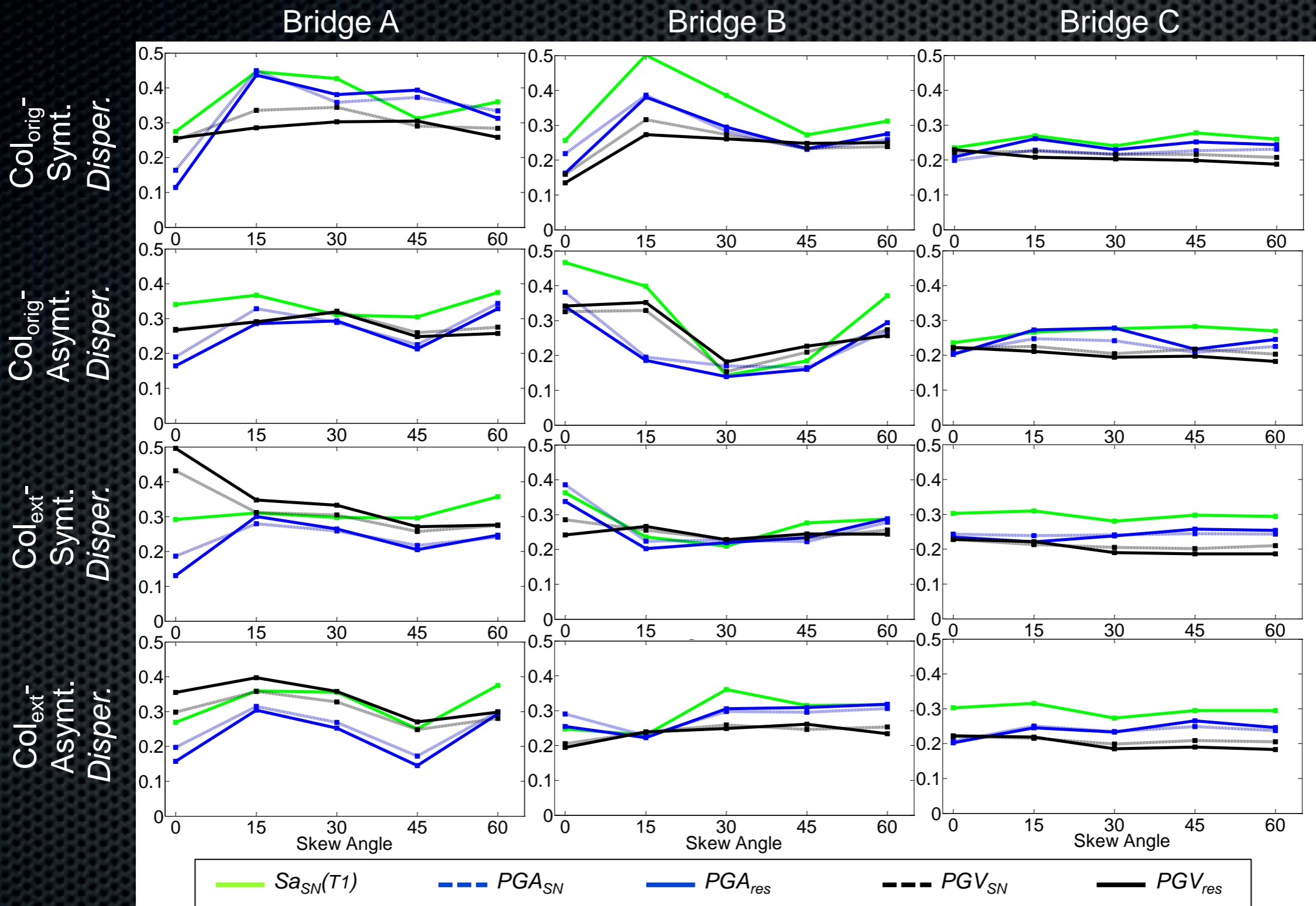




# Efficient GM Intensity Measure



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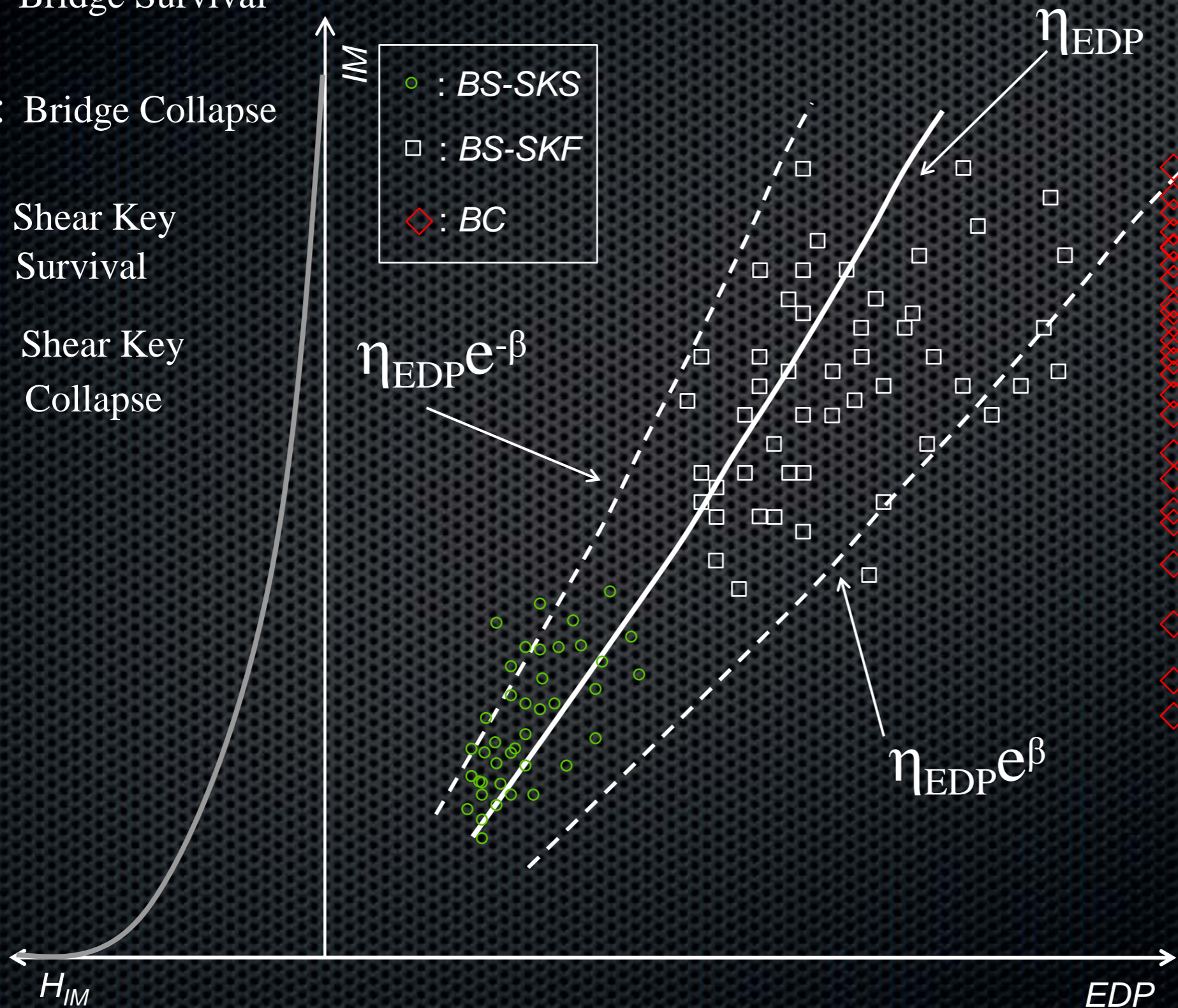
# Traditional IM-EDP

• **BS**: Bridge Survival

• **BC**: Bridge Collapse

• **SKS**: Shear Key Survival

• **SKS**: Shear Key Collapse





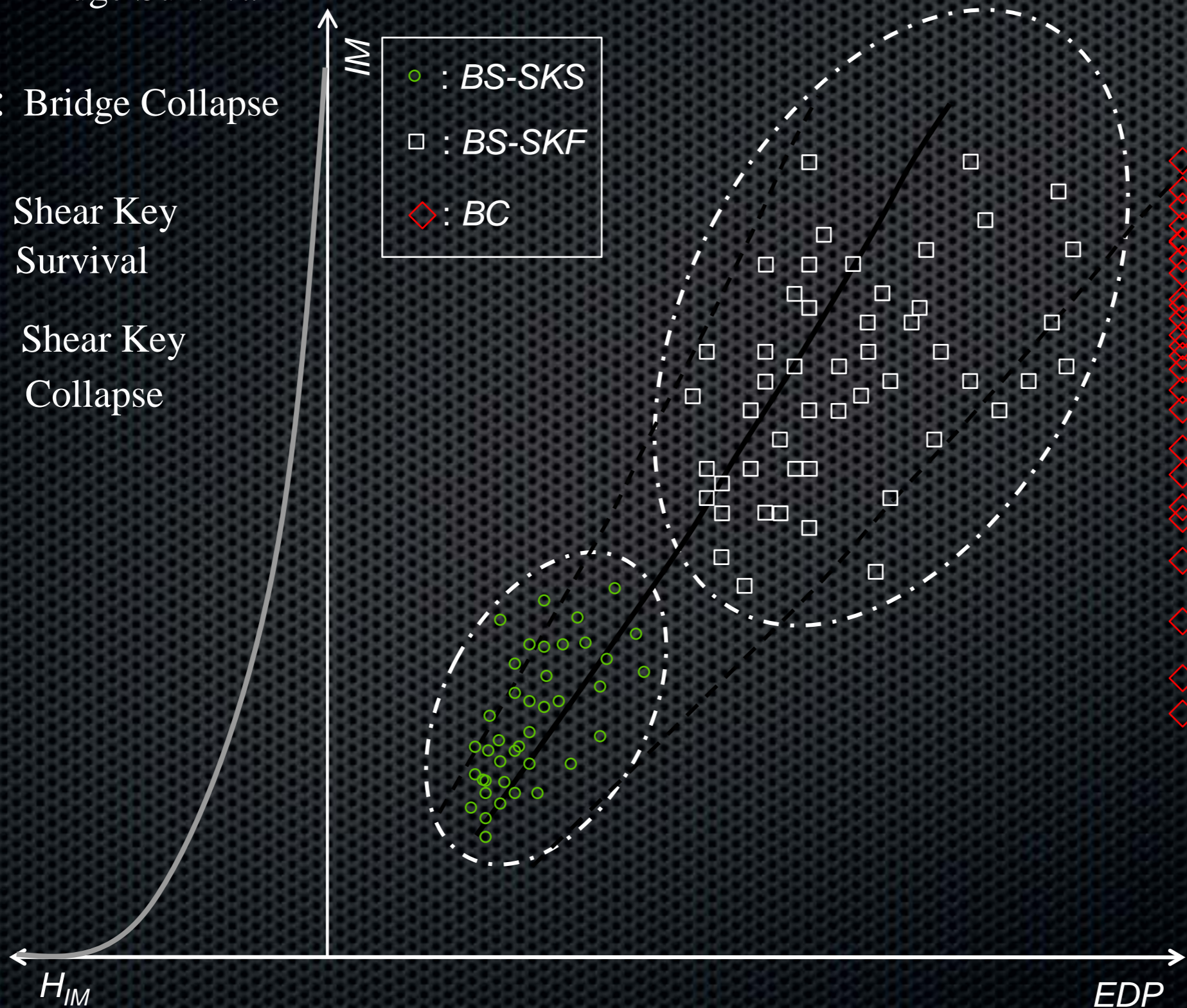
# Multi-phase IM-EDP

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• **BC**: Bridge Collapse

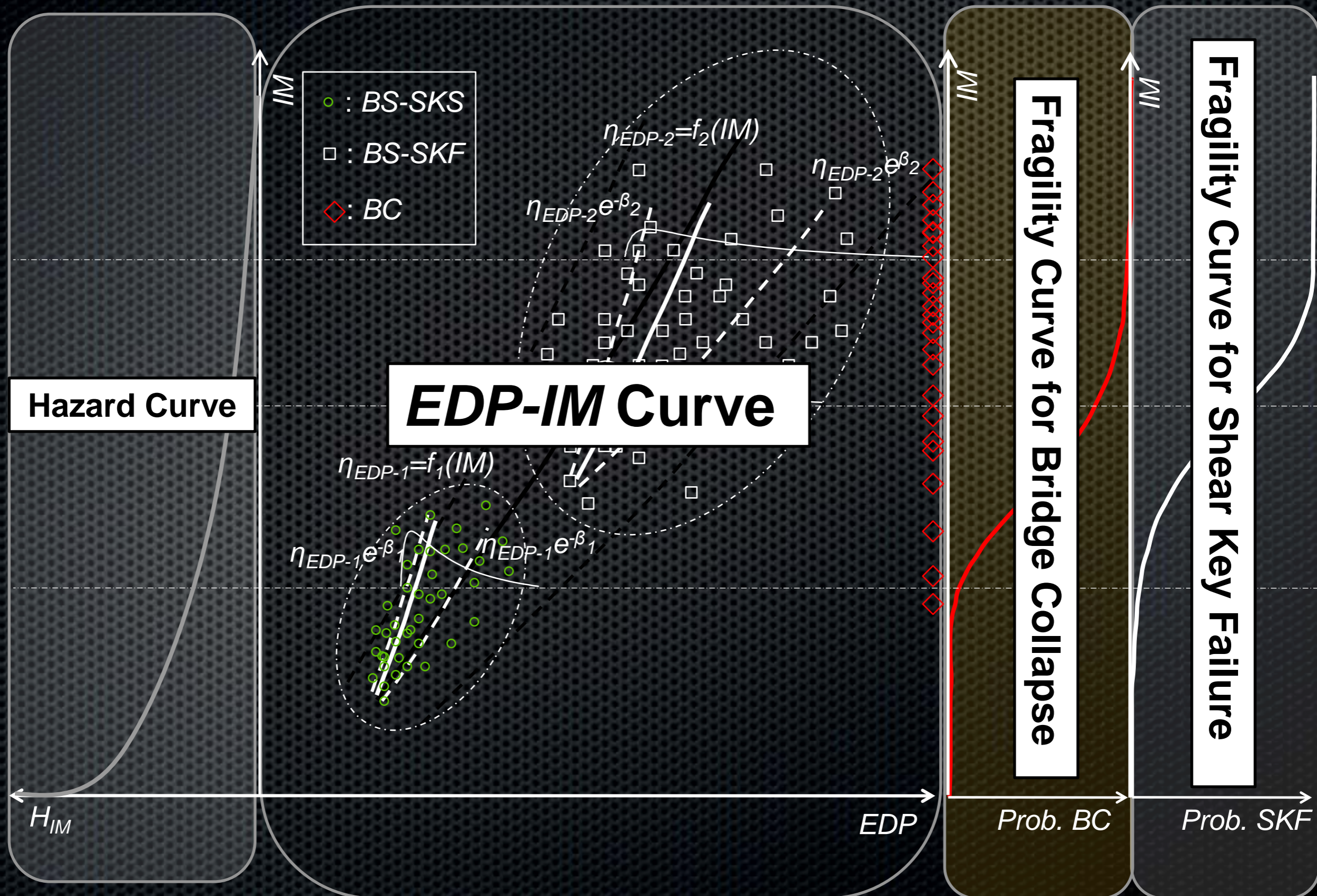
• **SKS**: Shear Key Survival

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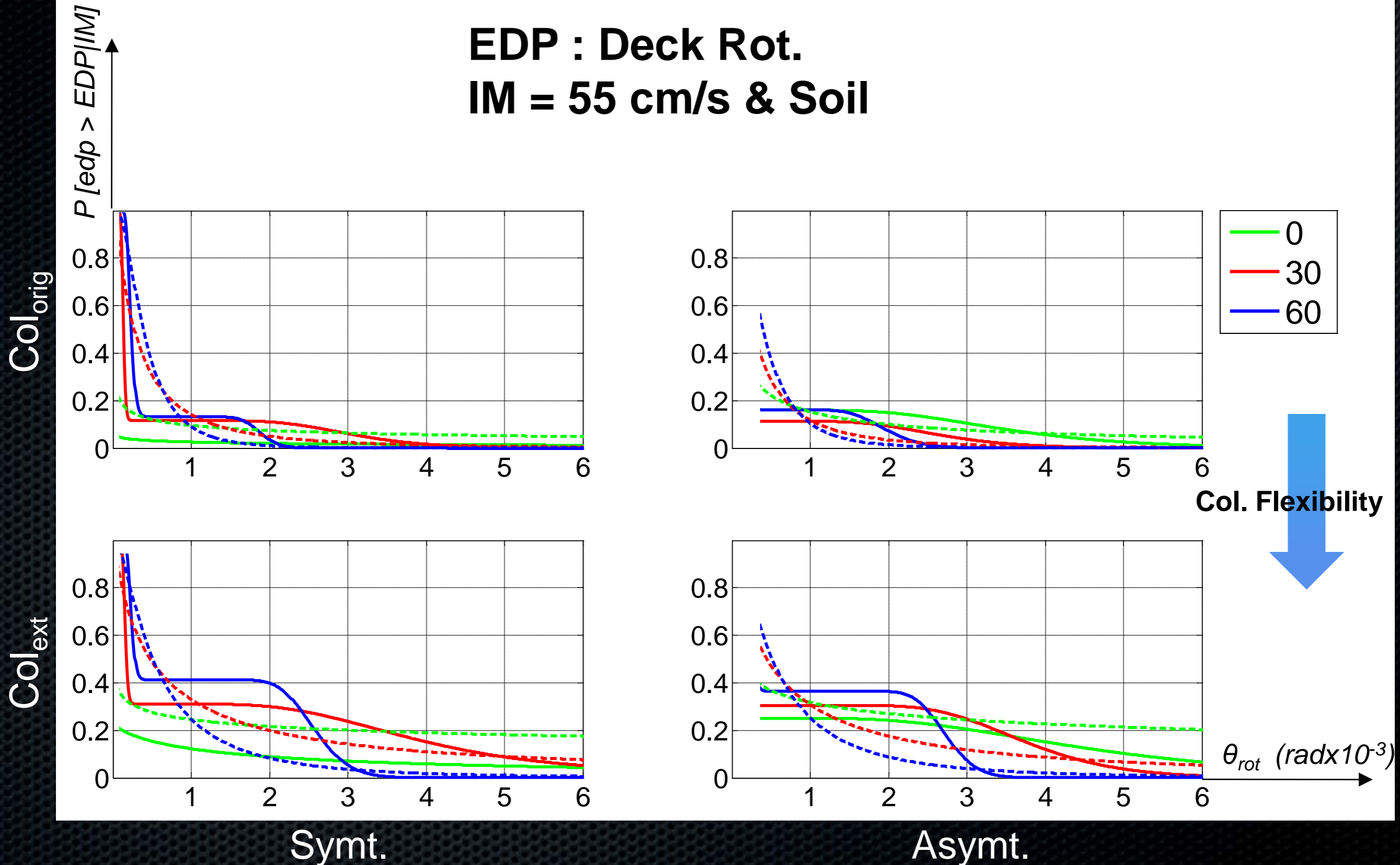




# Deck Rotation – Bridge A



**EDP : Deck Rot.**  
**IM = 55 cm/s & Soil**

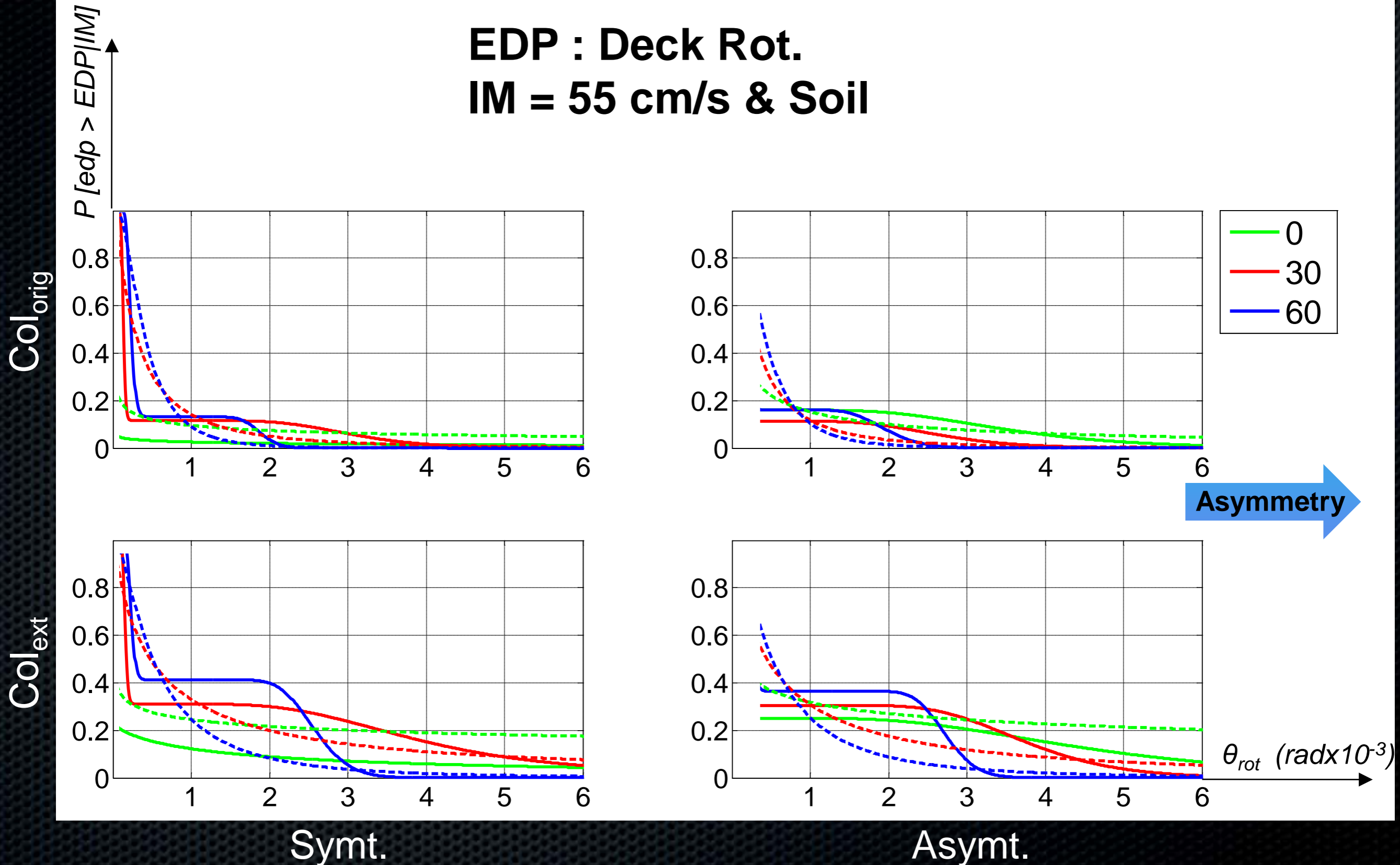




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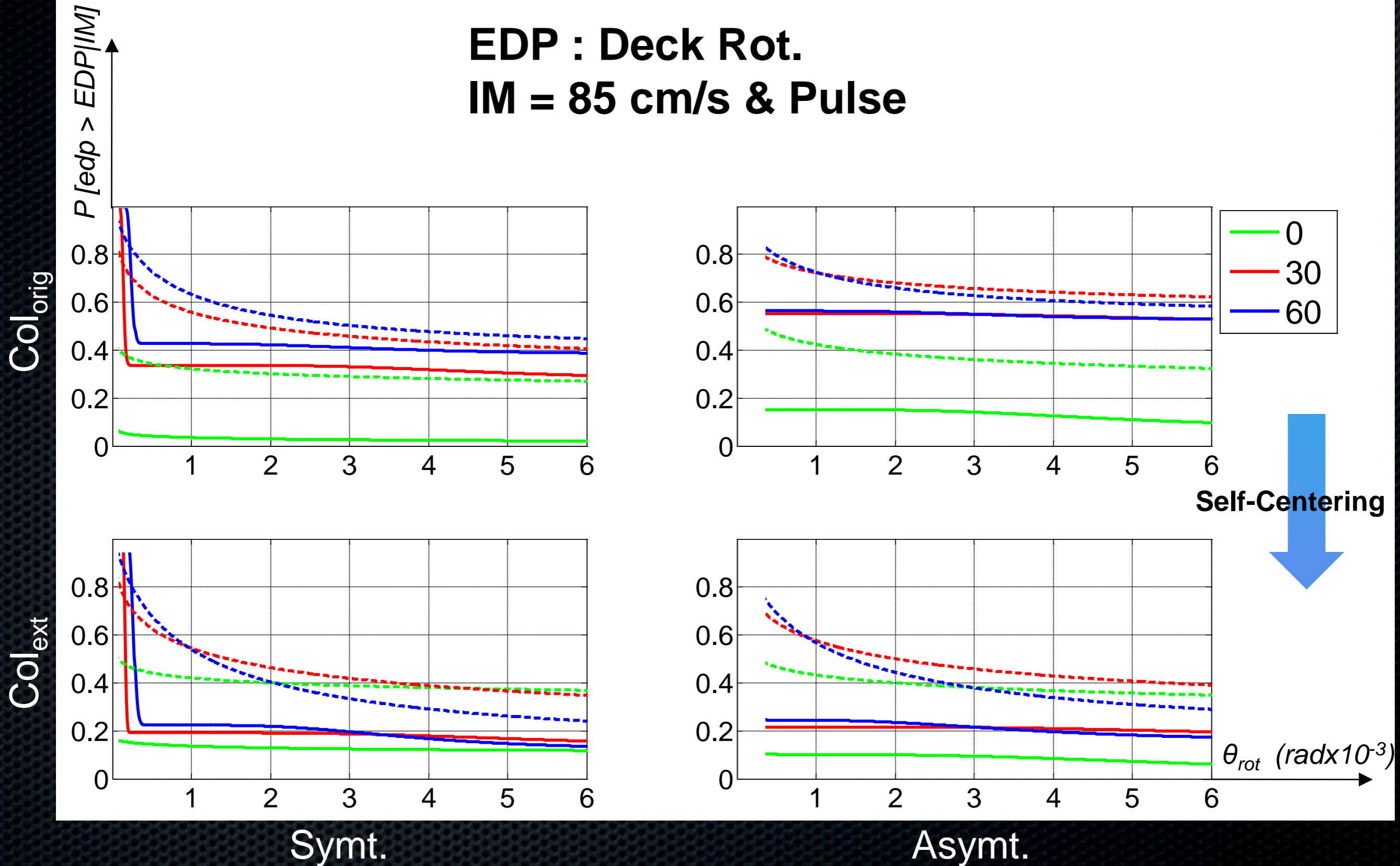




# Deck Rotation – Bridge A



**EDP : Deck Rot.**  
**IM = 85 cm/s & Pulse**

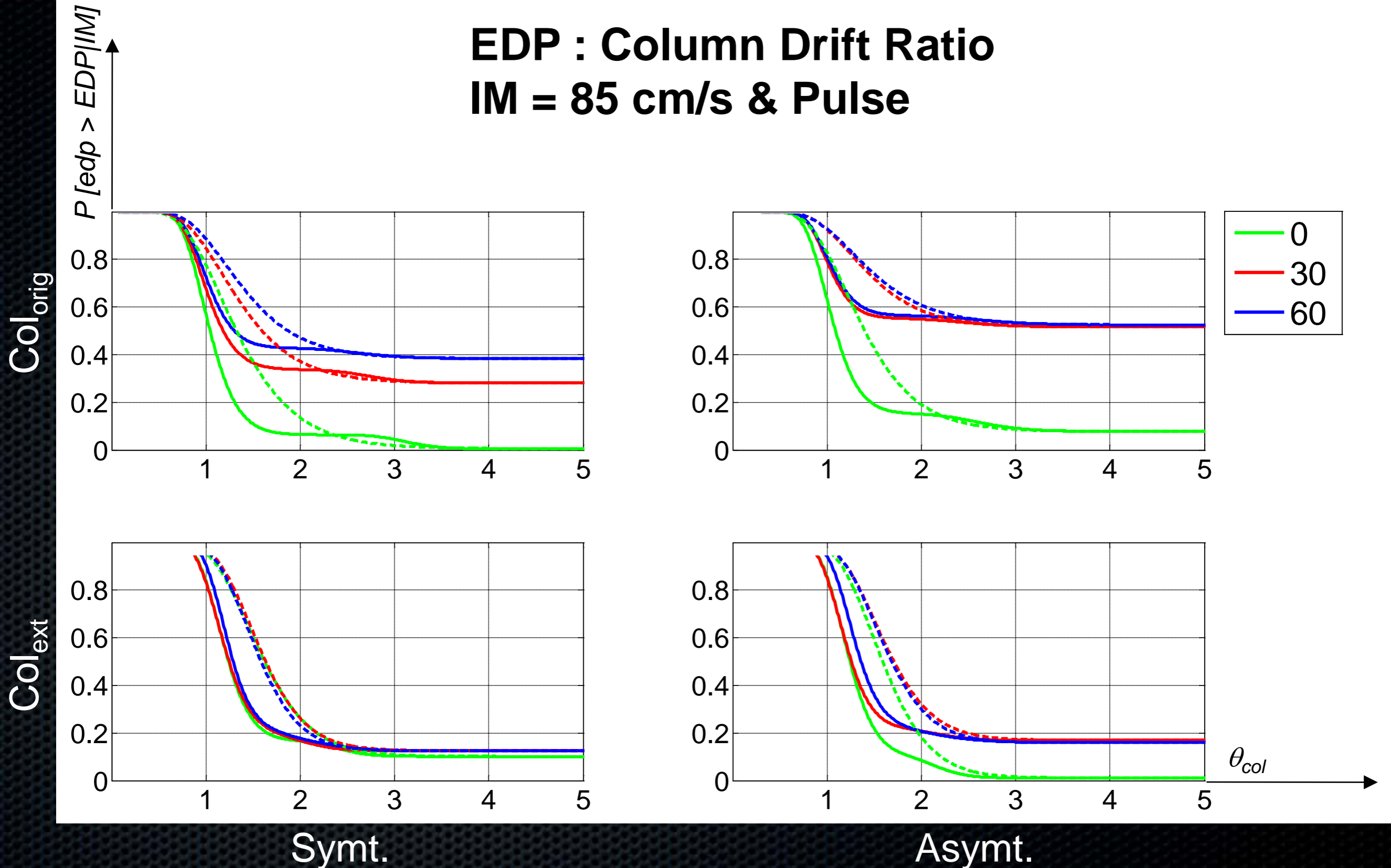




# Col. Drift Ratio – Bridge A



**EDP : Column Drift Ratio**  
**IM = 85 cm/s & Pulse**





# Future Research

1. Extension of the study to other type of bridge configuration:
  - Abutments (e.g., monolithic),
  - Geometry (e.g., curved deck),
  - Deck configuration (e.g., seat-type),
  - New Technologies (e.g., self-centering columns)
2. Define rigorous structural damage measures and collapse indicators.
3. Performance assessment on the network level.
4. Enhancement in component and ground motion modeling