



# Design for Fire and Robustness

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# Structures after fire and Historical structures in fire

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## Objectives of the lecture

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- The treatment of reconstruction of fire damaged structures
- The particularity of fire safety of historical structures



## Structures after fire

### Outline of the lecture

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- Principles
- Assessment procedure
- Design for repair
- Case study
- Summary

## Structures after fire

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- **In fire design**
  - the structure should resist the required time of fire
  - the structure should survive all fire exposure

Based on rules and models

## Structures after fire

- The structural behavior **after fire** is not determined
  - After **compartment fires**  
all the interior is substantially **damaged**
  - Bearing structure is only  
**part of the cost** of the building
  - Except of special cases, like
    - Tunnels
    - Highrised
    - Towers

## Assessment procedure

- Site visit
- Desk study
- Detailed collection of evidence
- **Damage assessment**
- Specification of repairs

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## Site visit

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- To gain early scale of damage
- To advise on safety of building
- To recommend protection measures

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## Desk Study

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- Collect relevant information
  - Original design of building
  - Construction materials, usage before fire, cause of fire
  - Duration of fire
  - Fire spread
  - Contents left unburnt
- Establish a strategy for gathering of more detailed information

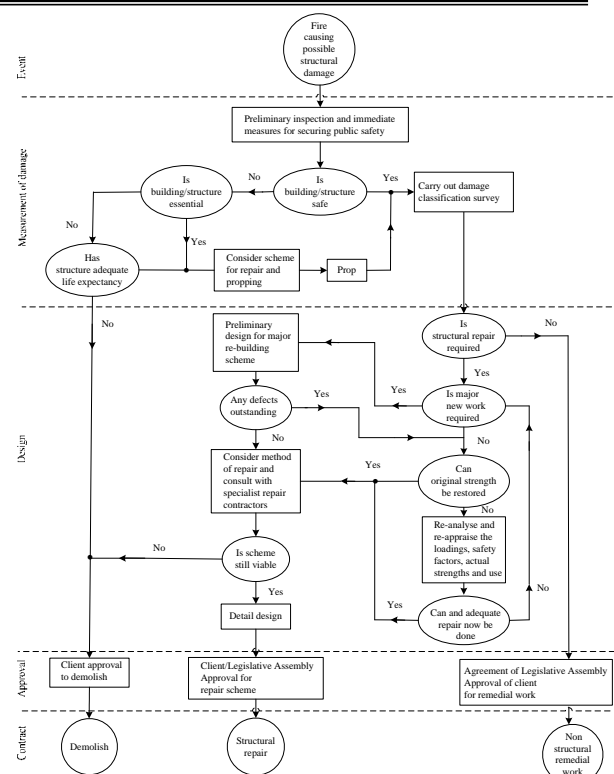
# Detailed Assessment Strategy

## Damage classification

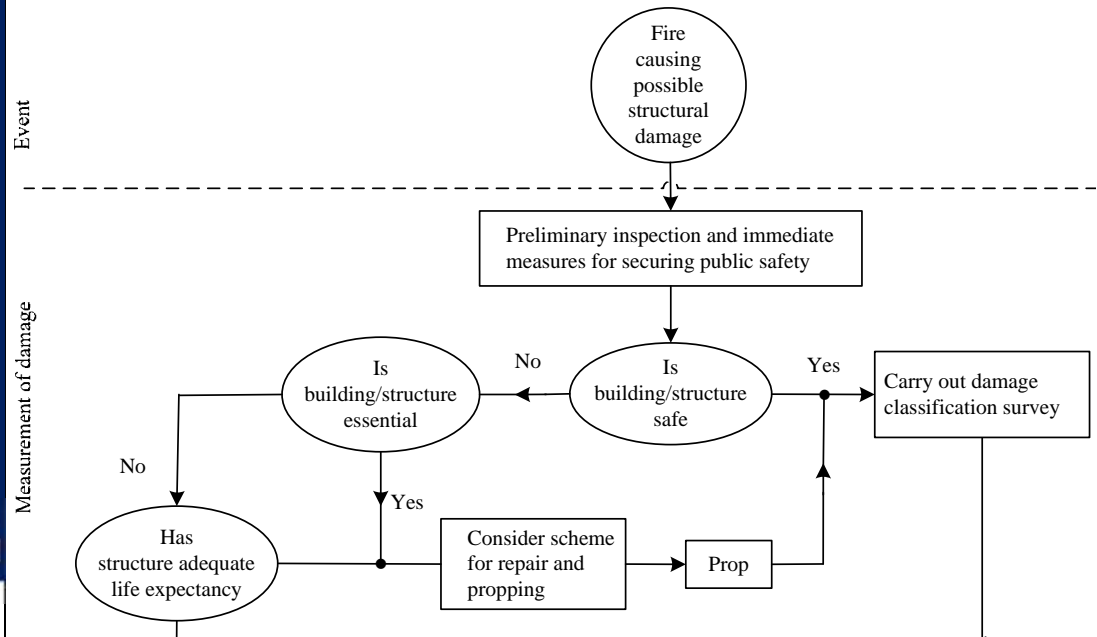
- A. No damage
- B. Repairable damages
  - detailed collection of evidences
- C. Major damage
  - replacement of structural member
- D. Total damage
  - scrap

# References to assesment procedure

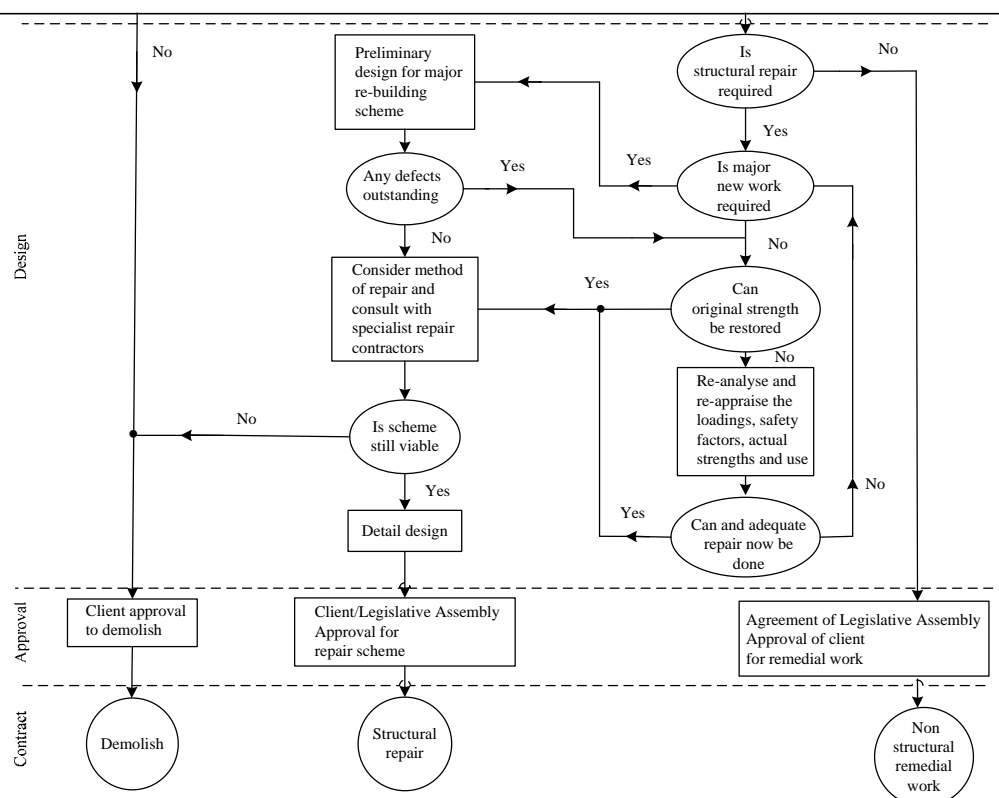
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Concrete Soc., 1990



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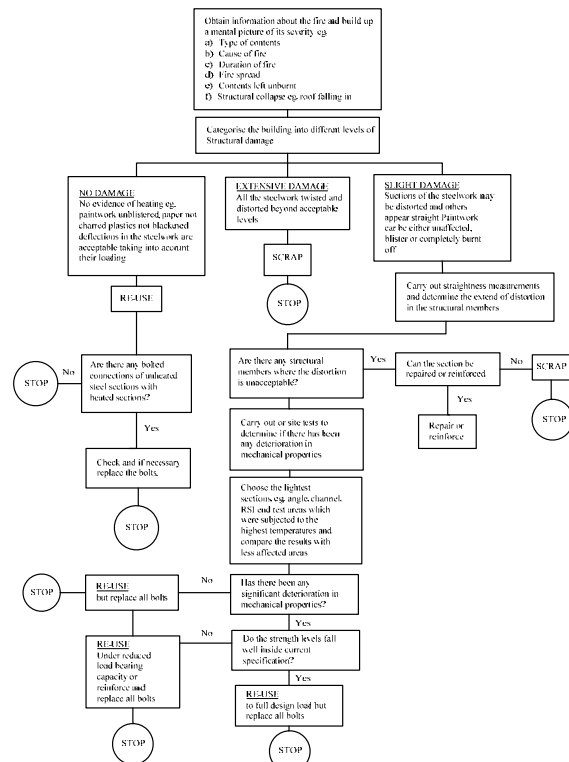
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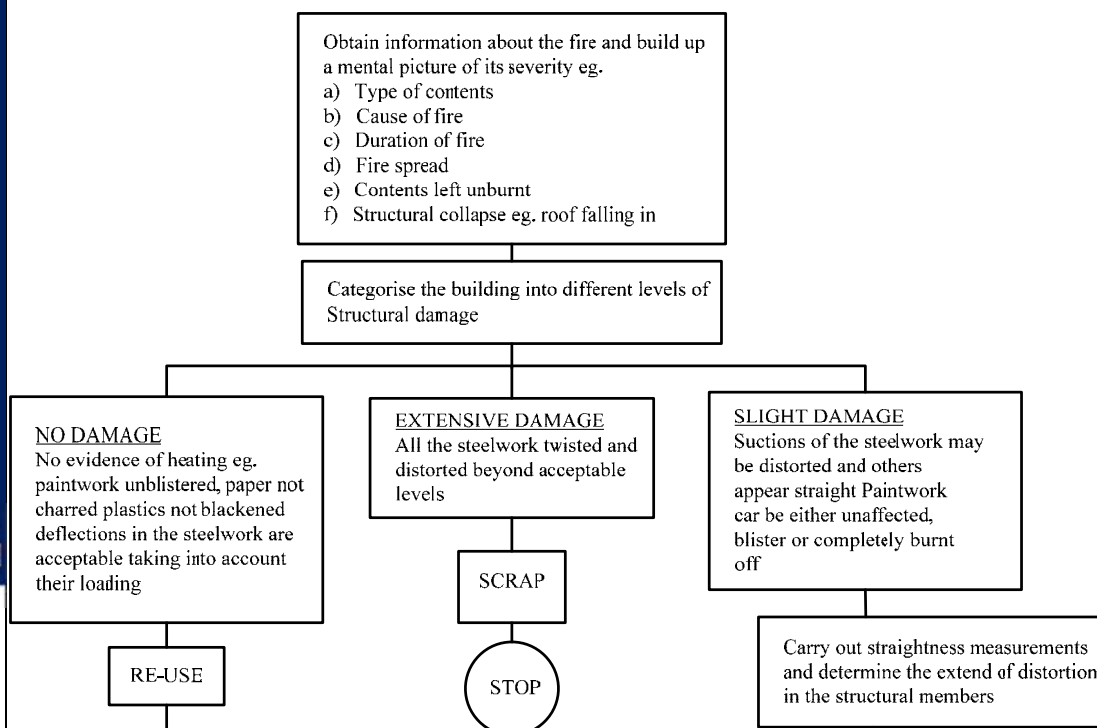
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Kirby et al, 1986



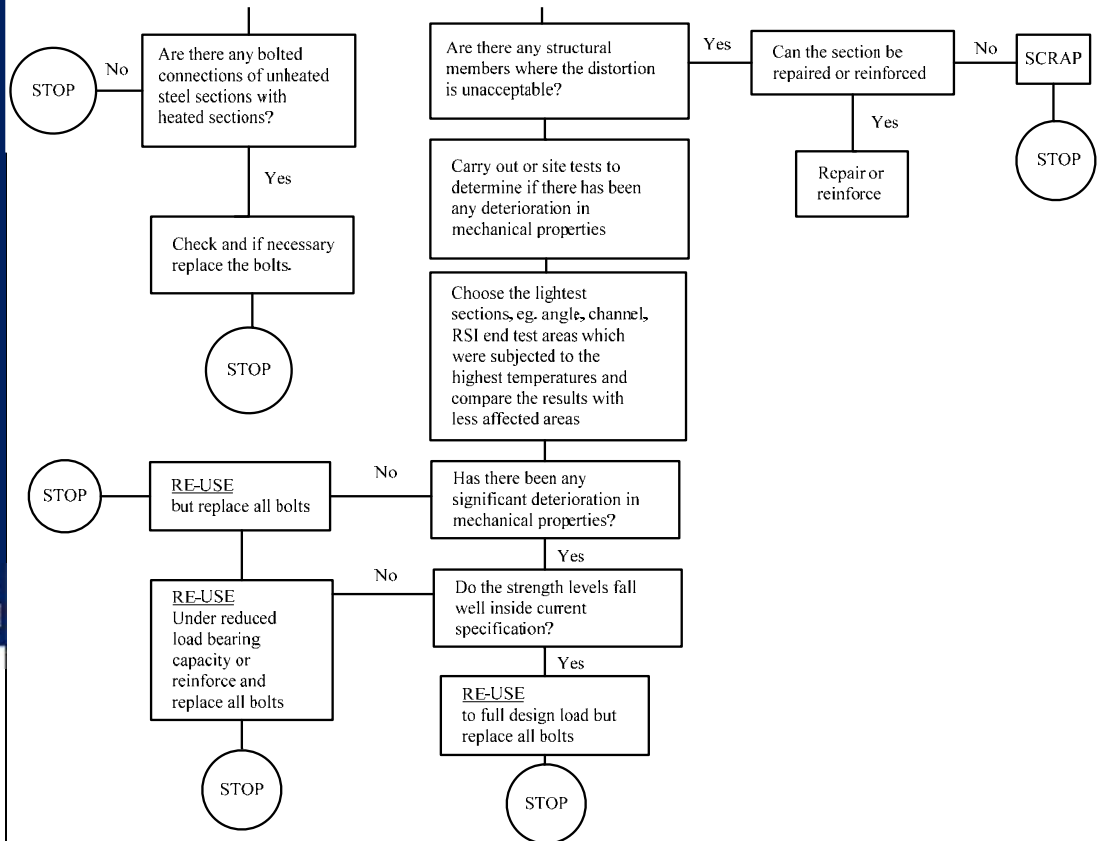
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## Steel structures





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## Detailed Collection of Evidence

- Residual strength and stiffness of material
- Temperature attained in structure
- Fire development
- Cooling
- **Result of firemen's intervention**
- Correlation of results

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## Fire Developments

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Depends on

- Burnt combustible materials
- Openings
- Construction materials of enclosure

Should fulfill

- Correlation with physical evidence

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## Temperatures Attained in Structural Members

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- Fire development + thermal analysis
  - Metallurgy analysis
  - Colour changes in concrete
- More detailed testing:  
thermoluminescence test
- Physical evidence
- Correlation of results

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## Mechanical Properties

- Temperatures + residual properties relationships
- Non-destructive testing
  - Schmit Hammer Test
  - Ultrasonic Pulse Velocity Test



- Destructive testing
- Correlation of results

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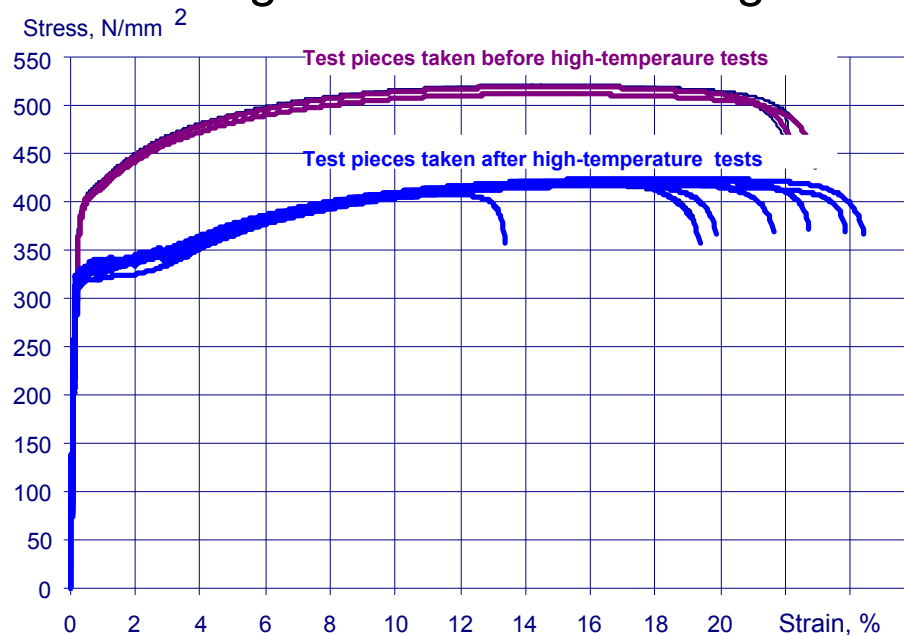


## Destructive Tests

- Concrete core test
- Steel coupon test

## Steel coupon test

### Steel degradation after heating to 950°C



see Outinen and Mäkeläinen, 2004

## Design calculations for repair

### Load

- Include extra weight of repair materials
- Temporary support loads
- Reduced material factors

### Model

- Treat structure as simply supported
- Complex modelling at elevated temperature

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# Design calculations for repair of steel structures

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## Compressed members

- Check of straitness
- Imperfections and tolerances
- Change of deformed compressed members
- Local buckling of plates heated up to 500 °C

## Steel connections

- Bolts - change
- Welds - 90 % resistance of heated up to 500 °C

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# Design calculations for repair of steel structures

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## Fireman intervention

- Hardening and loss of ductility
- Source fireman reports of fire attack
- Hardness check by impact hammer

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## Repair Methods

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- Reconstruction
  - Sprayed concrete
  - Resin repair
  - Overcladding
- Others
  - FRP strengthening
  - Change of use
  - Additional supports

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## Advanced techniques

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- Consideration of **actual fire**  
fire generate non-uniform temperature
  - Fire advanced modelling
  - Thermal deformation measurements
  - Destructive + non-destructive testing
  - Advanced models of damaged structure

# Case study

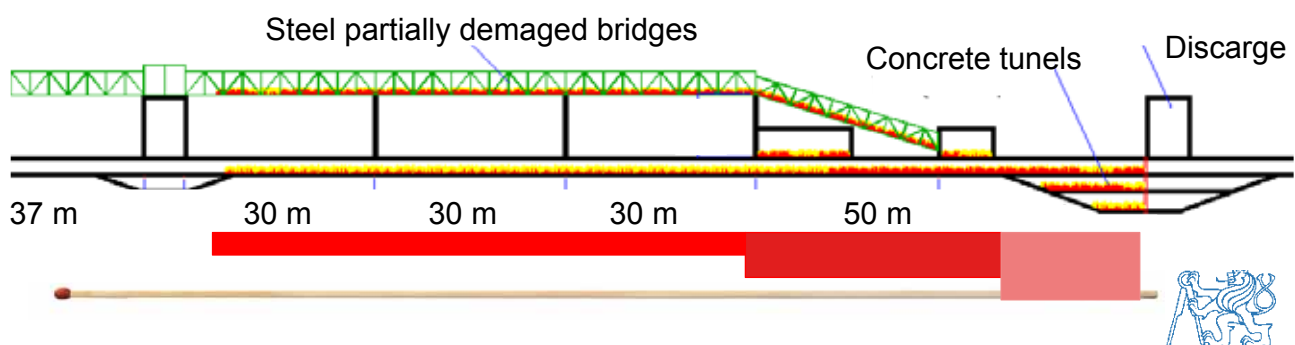
## Steel coal feeding bridge



- Fire - September 2005, Opatovice power station, Czech Republic
- Coal belt transport infrastructure completely burned
- Bearing structure noticeably damaged



**120 m**  
of the steel transport bridges attack





## Observations



- Geodetic measurements of major positions of the structure, joints of the trusses and the rail of the conveyor
- Geometric measurements of straightness of compressed elements
- Mechanical property by 54 coupon tests - reduction 10 %
- Microstructure of steel – changes acceptable



## Deformed upper stiffening truss





# Reconstruction



Replacing of the end frame



- Elements with excessive deformations were replaced
  - Maximum allowed out of straightness 10 mm
- Operational test after reconstruction



# Replacement

- Horizontal bridges
  - Upper truss stiffeners
  - Upper crossbeams
  - Upper parts of the props of the end stiffeners
- Inclined bridge
  - Also lower cross beams
  - Also lower stiffening trusses

View into the reconstructed bridge



# Straightening of riveted connections



Straightening of frame geometry

- Not visibly deformed
  - After detailed calculation
    - Assumed 15 % reduction of resistance
    - Unsatisfactory connection
- strengthened by welding**



## Bridge after reconstruction



Uncovered bridge



Reconstruction in three weeks



## Summary

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- **Assessment differs**
  - from fire resistant design of the structure
  - From structural material
- Steel fire damaged structures **can be mostly repaired**
- Concrete fire damaged structures **have to be damaged**
- Timber fire damaged structures **mostly does not exists**

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## Assessment

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- Which structures are designed after fire?
- What are the steps of detailed Assessment Strategy?
- What are the steps Assessment Procedure?
- What is the procedure for compressed members after fire?
- What is the procedure for bolted connections after fire?
- What is the procedure for welded connections after fire?

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## Historical structures in fire

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- Data, loss statistics and evaluating risks
- Cultural and financial value
- Available and developing technology
- Property management strategies
- Case studies

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## Historic fire incidents in cities

- London, England 1212 and 1666
- Uppsala, Sweden 1702
- Copenhagen, Denmark 1795
- Edinburgh, Scotland 1824
- Chicago, USA 1871
- Boston, USA 1872
- Jacksonville, USA 1901
- Baltimore, USA 1904
- Alesund, Norway 1904
- Chelsea, USA 1908
- Salem, USA 1914
- Thessaloniki, Greece 1917
- Tokyo, Japan 1923
- Chiado, Lisbon, Portugal 1988
- Edinburgh, Scotland 2002
- Trondheim, Norway 2002

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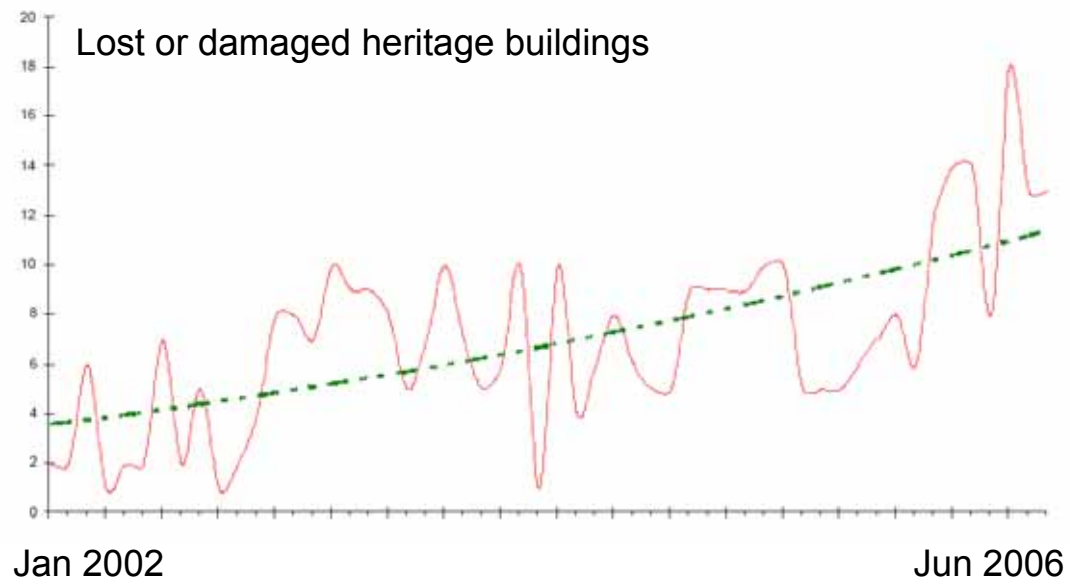
## Major European heritage fire losses the mid 1980's to the mid 1990's

- York Minster, England July 1984
- Hampton Court Palace, England March 1986
- Uppark House, England August 1989
- Proveantgarden, Copenhagen, Denmark February 1992
- Odd Fellow Palace, Copenhagen, Denmark April 1992
- Christianborg Palace Church, Copenhagen, Denmark June 1992
- Windsor Castle, England November 1992
- Redoutensal, Hofburg Palace, Vienna, Austria November 1992
- Pont de la Chapelle, Lucerne, Switzerland August 1993

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## Example Fire Loss to Historic Buildings

- Monthly and Cumulative in UK Historic Buildings



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## Trinity Cathedral, St Petersburg, Russia



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## Most common causes of fire in historic buildings

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1. Arson
2. Electrical fault
3. Match
4. Smoking Materials
5. Candle
6. Heating equipment
7. Natural causes (lightning)
8. Hot works



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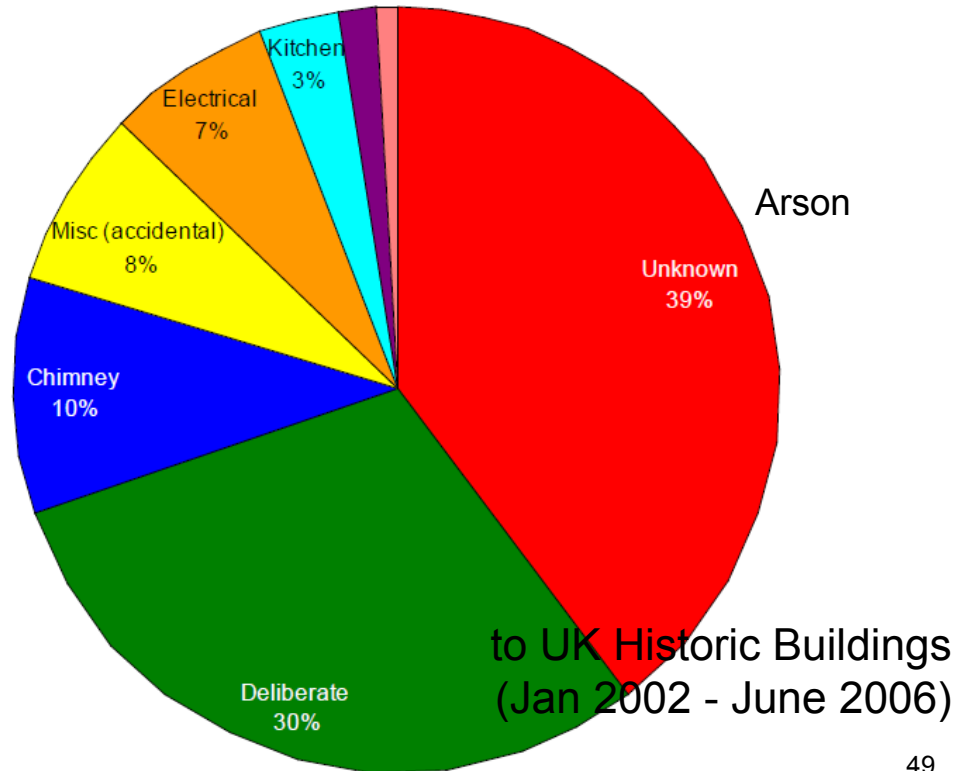
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# Causes of Fire Loss



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# Hofburg Palace, Vienna December 1992



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## Thatched Cottage, Stanford in the Vale, Oxford, England August 2005 fire



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## Bower Building, Glasgow University, Scotland



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## Evaluation of risks: measures for historic buildings

Considering the consequences of the loss of a historic building, the risk analysis should include:

- loss of economic value (in terms of providing a modern replacement of premises of the same quality as the building which has been lost)
- loss of historic cultural and emotional value
- loss of a positive image for the local community
- loss of economic impact on the tourist industry
- additional costs for reconstruction

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## Evaluation of risks: special measures for historic buildings

The special characteristics of historic buildings should be described and analysed in the risk analysis to recognise the:

- particular vulnerability of the building
- activities taking place in the building
- fabric of the building and its structural features
- surroundings of the building, and the activities that take place there
- probability of fire ignition
- length of time required for the fire brigade to arrive

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## Fire risk from spot lamp



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## Introducing technology into historic and cultural buildings

- **Essential**
  - The fire systems should be central to meeting the objectives of the protection of life, buildings and contents.
- **Appropriate to Risk**
  - Any system that is installed should be apposite to the risks being considered.
- **Compliant with legislation**
  - Systems should be installed according to demonstrable performance-based and other legislatively prescribed standards of safety.
- **Minimally invasive**
  - The retrospective fitting of fire systems should involve minimal degrees of physical intervention on the historic structure.
- **Sensitively integrated**
  - Installed systems should be designed to be integrated sympathetically with the historic fabric and its detail.
- **Reversible**
  - Fire systems should be installed according to a reversible, 'plug-in, plug-out' installation philosophy.

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## Inserted intumescent door sealing strip



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## Sprinkler



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# Technical solution

## Example - pull fire escape



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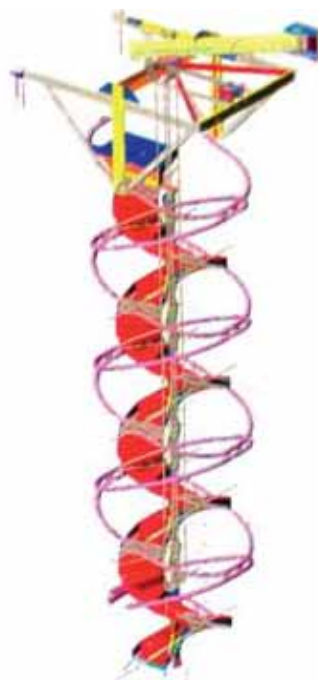


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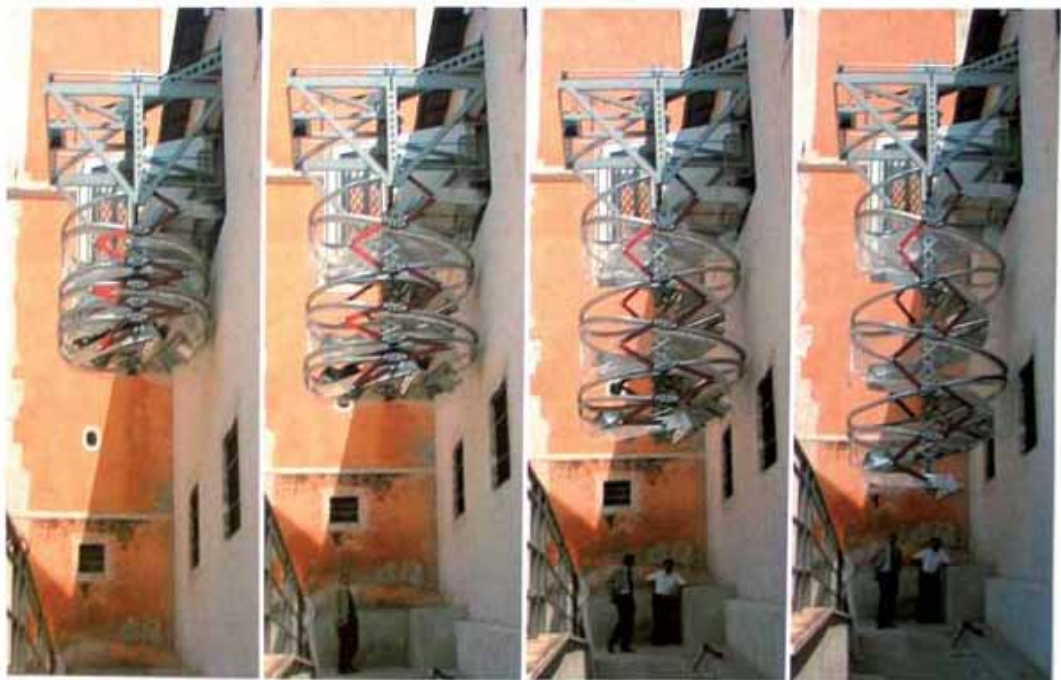


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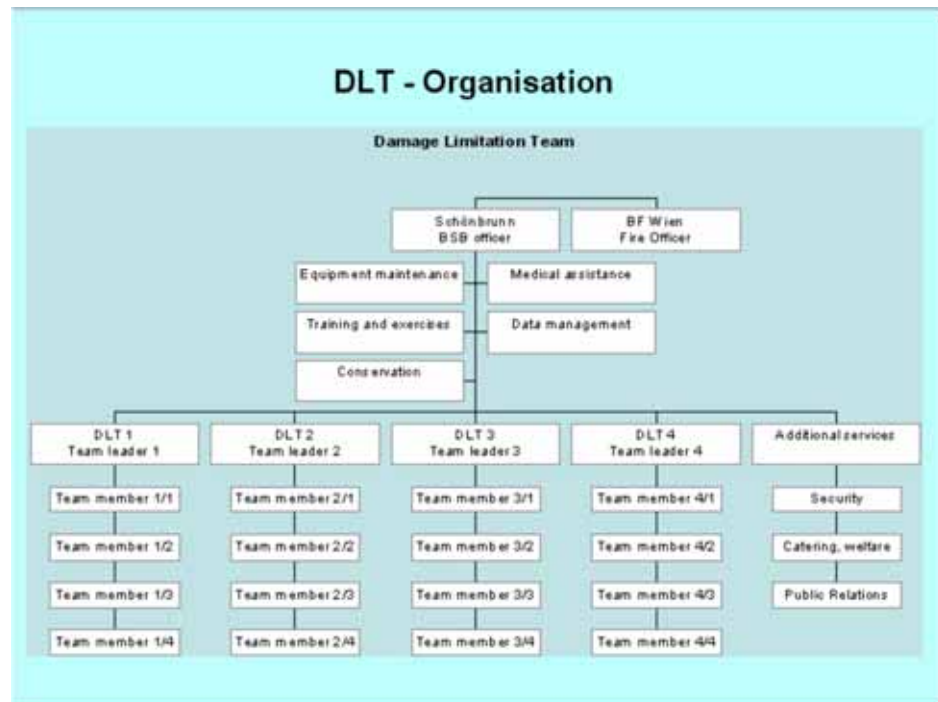


# Improvements by records/rules

## A Fire Safety Log Book

- Fire training sessions
- Fire drills undertaken
- Inspections
  - by the insurance company, fire brigade or other persons including brief details of any observations made
- Full details of all fire equipment
  - fire systems maintenance, including
  - emergency lighting
  - fire detection or alarm systems
- Details of any fire incidents, false alarms or other matters of interest, together with the responses or remedial action taken.

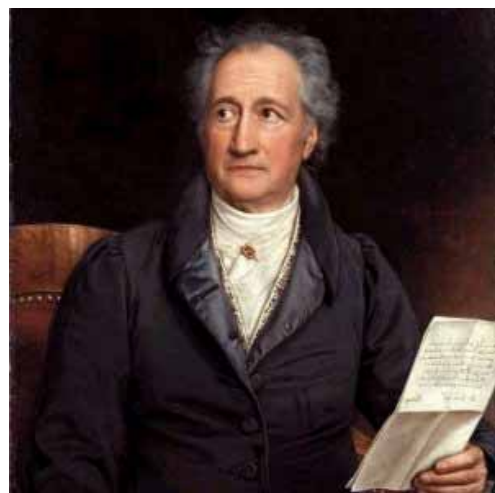
## Schloss Schonbrunn Damage Limitation Team structure



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## Herzogin Anna Amalia Library in Weimar

- Built in 1565 as a palace for Duke Johann Wilhelm
- In 1766, the Duchess Anna Amalia converted to Library
- Goethe the librarian (1797 – 1832)



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# Fire

- Evening of 2 September 2004 severely damages
  - The fire started in the attic and spread to the rococo hall
  - Automatic fire report
  - Fire compartmentation, fire walls and doors
- 50,000 books were completely destroyed
- 62,000 suffered fire and/or water damage
  - saved as the fire blazed by staff and the public, who organised hand-to-hand chains.
  - included the 'Luther Bible' from 1534

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## Library on fire: 2 September 2004



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## Post fire situation



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## Historic books do burn



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## The Colosseum fire 217 AD

- According to study of Prof. Enzo Cartapati

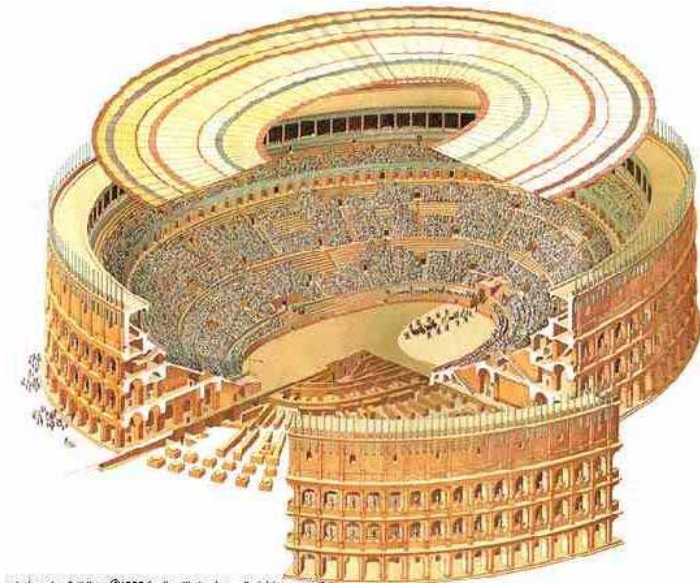


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## The Colosseum fire 217 AD

- For up to 45 000 viewers
- Timber stands and equipment



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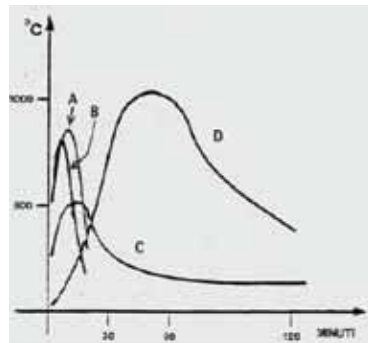
- Construction from 69 AD under Emperor Vespasian
- Open hand 80 AD at emperor Titus
- Fire in 217, 23 August??
- Earthquakes year August-October 223
- Reconstruction in 230  
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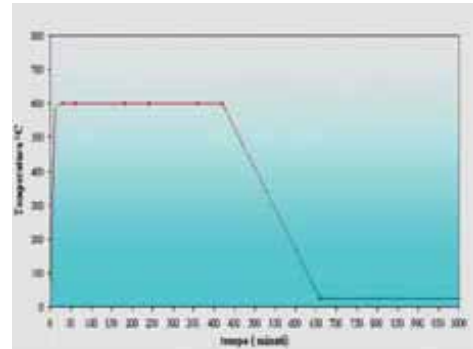
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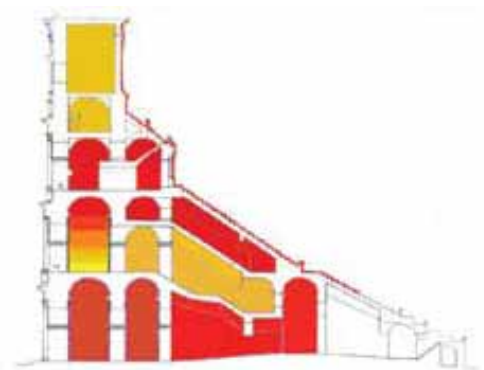
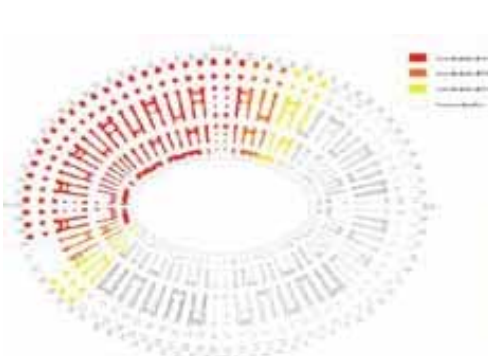


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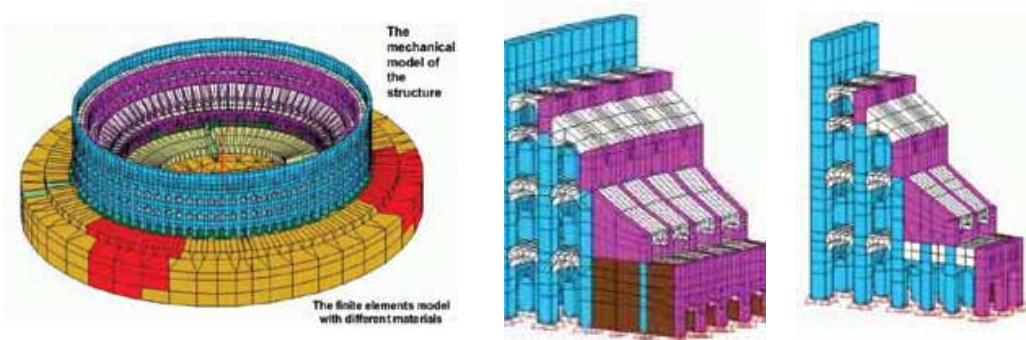


Transfer of heat

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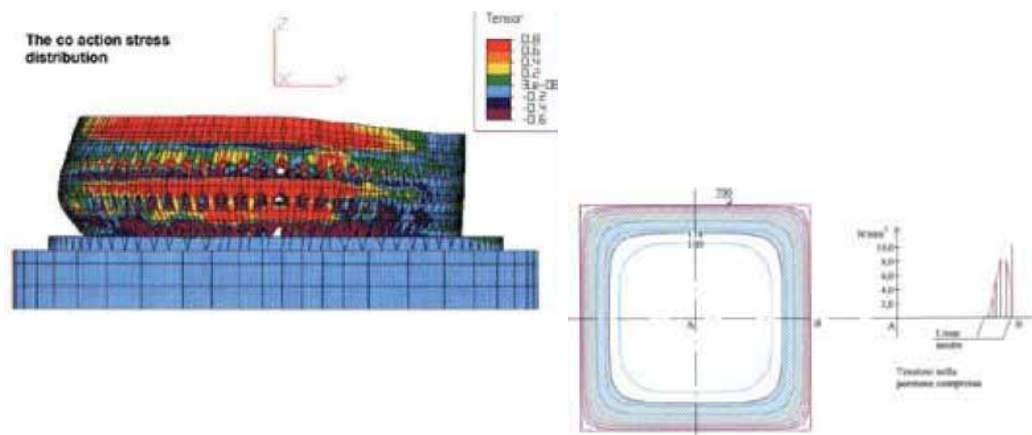


Mechanical model

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