

# Urban strategies for reducing flooding impacts in cities

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## Infrastructure as backbone of cities

- **ROADS**
- **RAIL**
- **POWER SYSTEM**
- **ICT**



## Impact of natural hazards on cities

- **ACCESSIBILITY**
- **SERVICE DISRUPTIONS**
- **POWER CUT-OFF**
- **CASUALTIES**





## Socio-environmental issues

- CLIMATE CHANGE
- DEMAND
- AGING





# Flooding impact on bridges



**REDUCED PRACTICABLE SERVICE:** Eamont Bridge (2015)



**NO PRACTICABLE SERVICE.** Calva bridge (2009)



**COLLAPSE.** Tadcaster bridge (2015)



**HUMAN LOSSES.** Northside bridge (2009)



# CAT (catastrophe) modelling

Current method for direct damages to buildings

→ No indirect damages to infrastructure

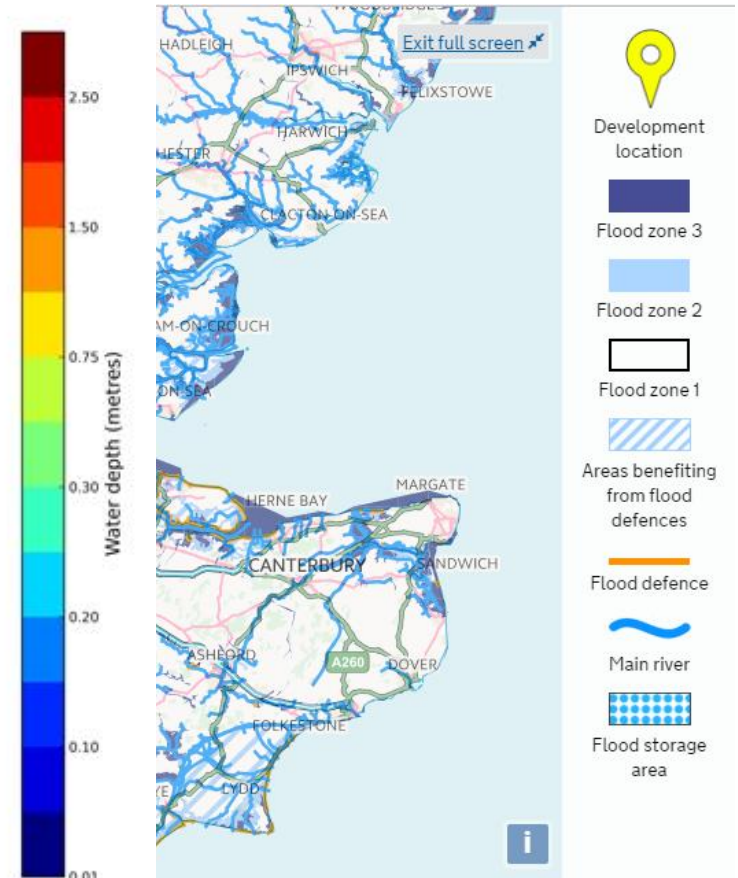
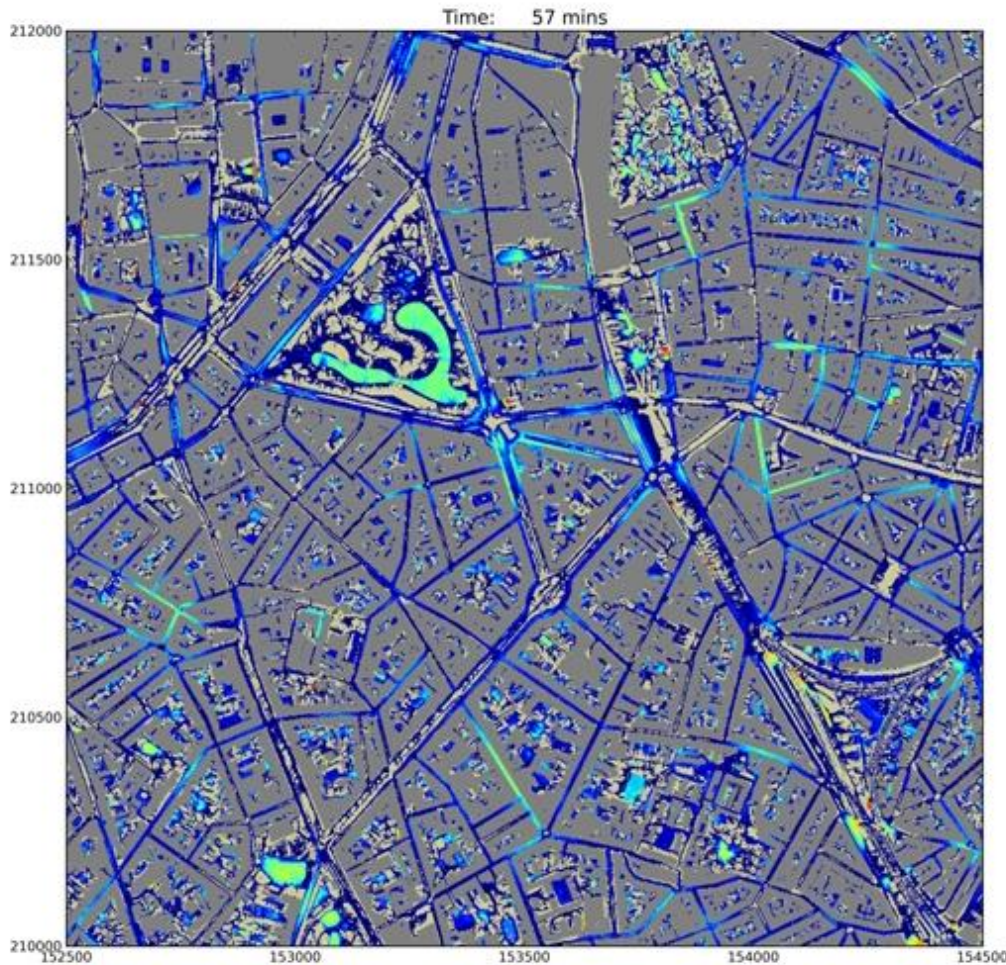




# Hazard modelling

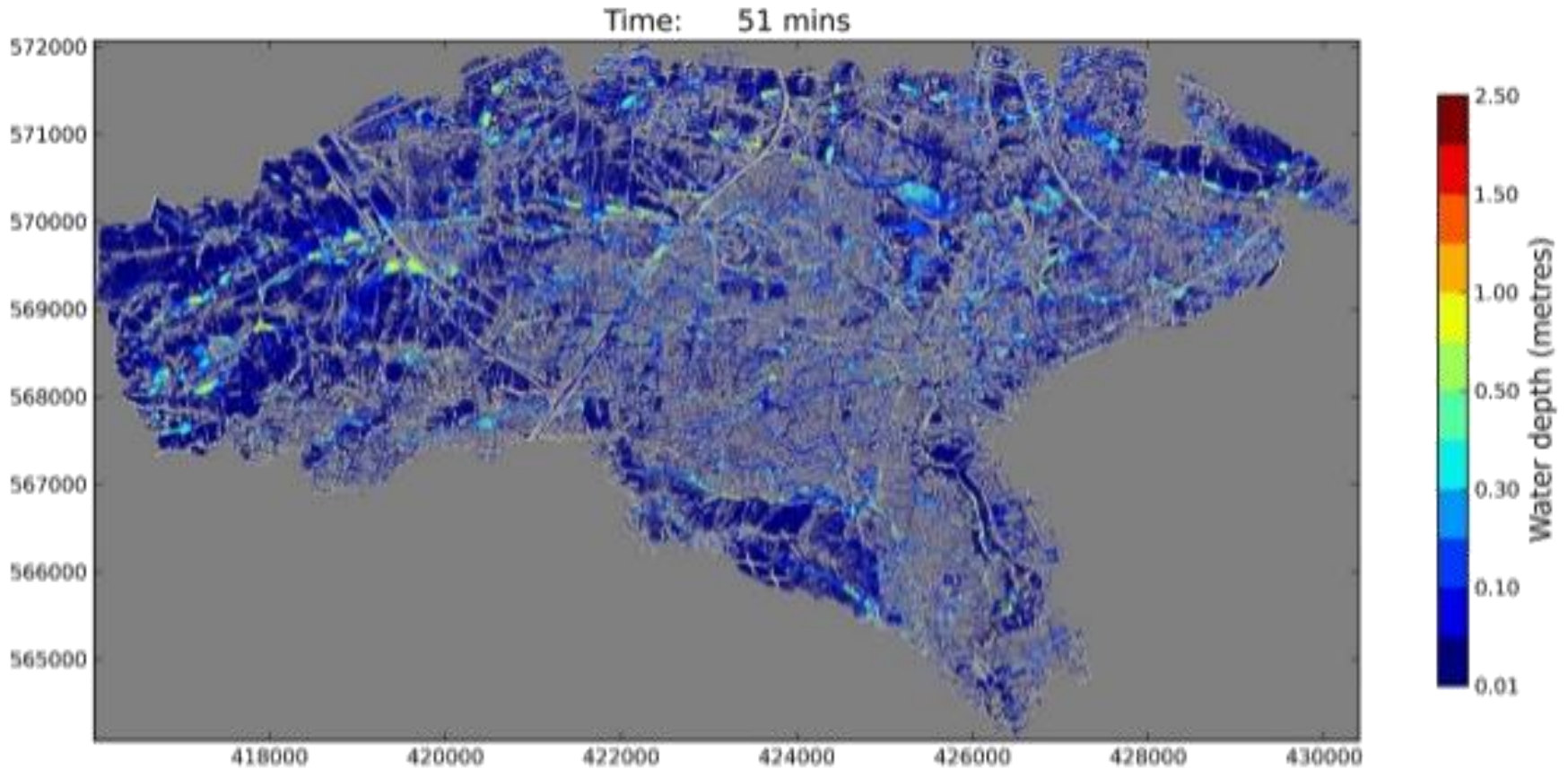
- Analysis of hazard scenarios
- Flood intensity measures
- Hazard maps

HAZARD





## CityCAT flood model



Water depth map of **Ouseburn catchment** (area = 120km<sup>2</sup> , cell size = 2m, cells = 30million). Storm event = 60 minutes, 100-year return period





# Exposure assessment

- Build a geo-referenced database
- Merging data into one inventory
- Technical and engineering information

HAZARD

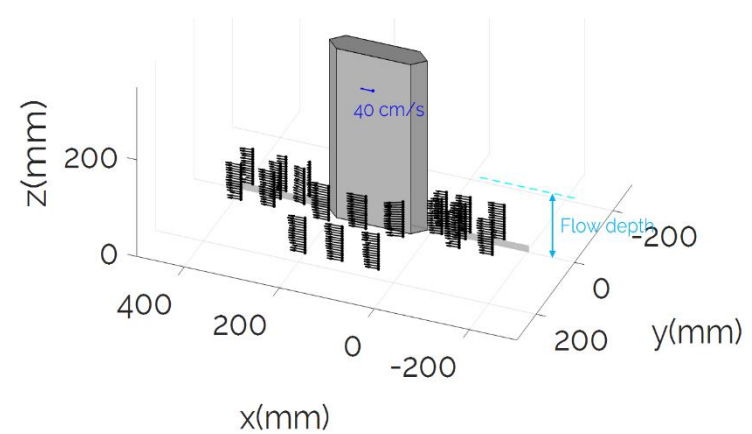
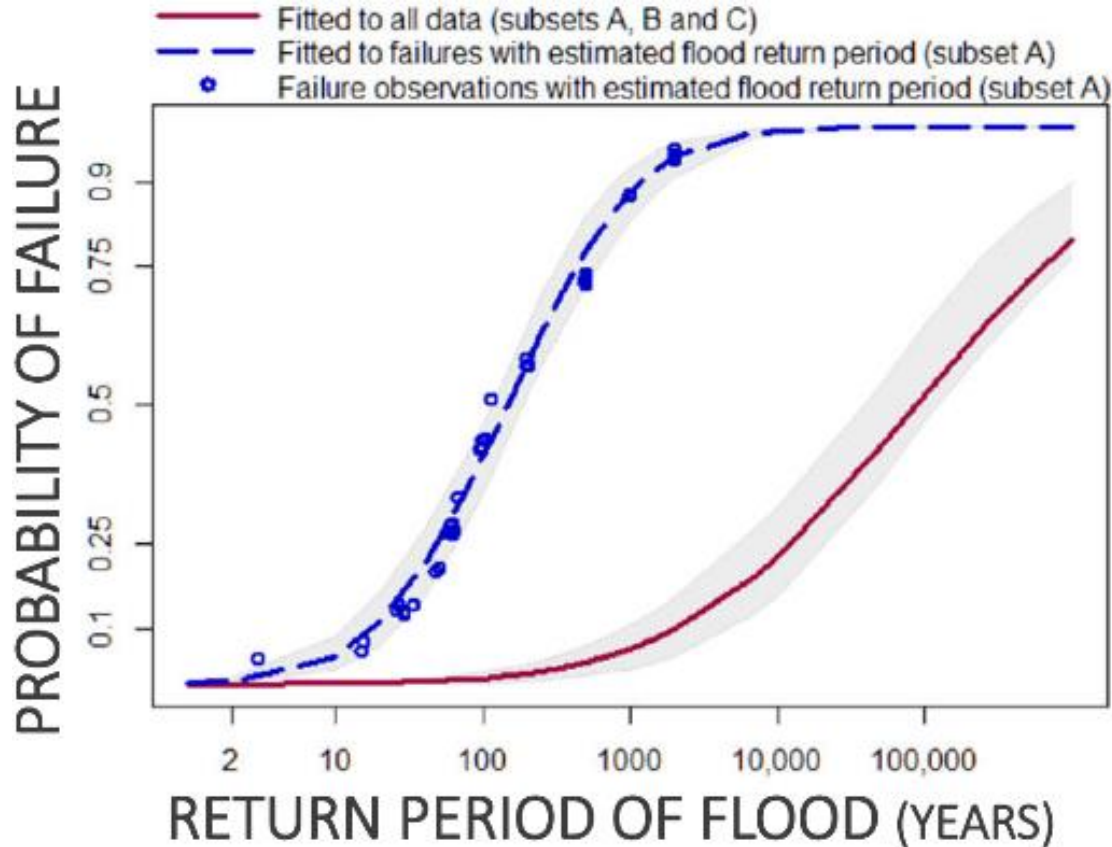
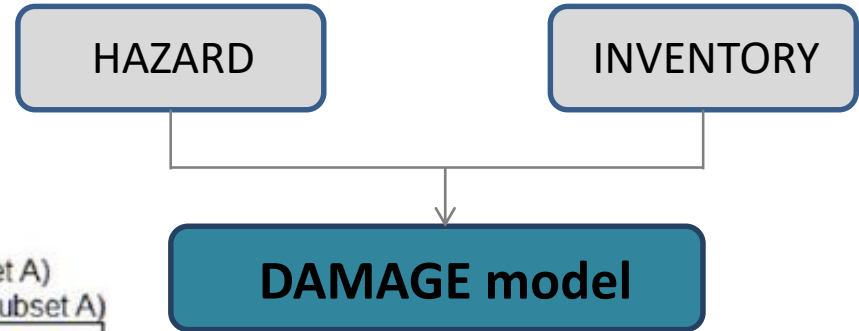
INVENTORY

Data Source	Description of source	Accuracy and reliability of source	Owner of source	Comments			
<b>Scour, assets, failures</b>							
Railways Archive	Failure reports	Not all incidents included	Railways Archive				
News Reports	Internet searches for news reports	Not all incidents included	<b>Date</b> DD/MM/YYYY	<b>River</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Type of Structure</b>	<b>Use</b>
New Civil Engineer (NCE) magazine	Incidents included as news items	Not all incidents included	<b>Road/Foot bridges</b>				
<b>Weather and Rainfall Data</b>			21/11/2009	Derwent	Northside Bridge, Workington, Cumbria	Bridge	Road
EA/NRW	Rainfall and river flow data	Good	??/11/2009	Derwent	Northside Foot Bridge	Bridge	Foot
Hi-Flows UK	Flood peak data	Good	01/11/2009	Derwent	Calva Bridge, Workington, Cumbria (road bridge)	Bridge	Road
NRFA	River flow data	Good	21/11/2009	Derwent	Camerton bridge, Workington, Cumbria (foot bridge)	Bridge	disused railway/footbridge
			??/11/2009	Cocker	Lorton Bridge, near Cockermouth	Bridge	Road

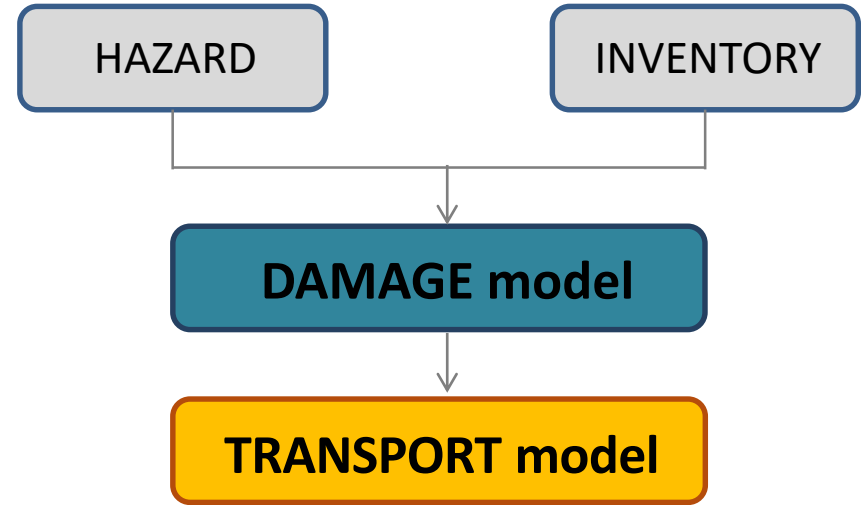
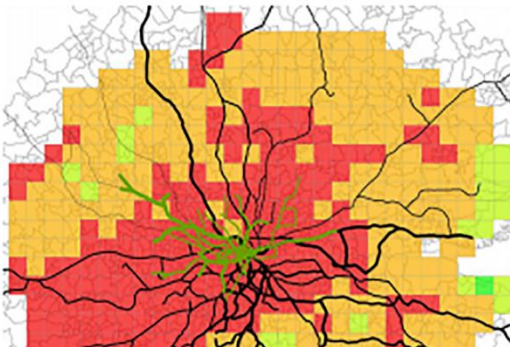
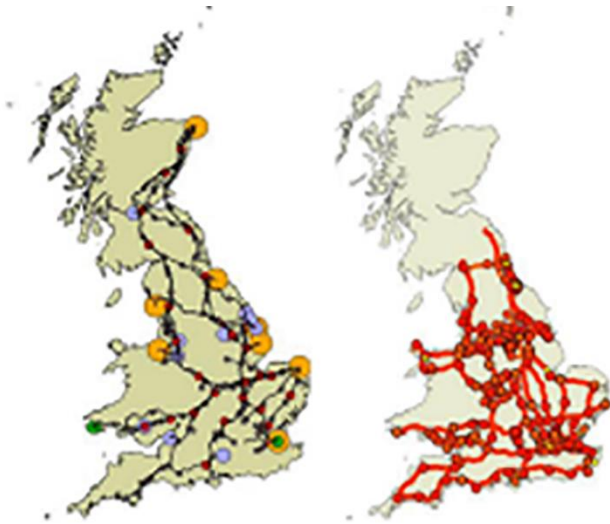


# Damage modelling

- Assess the damage
- Hazard loading vs damage  
Functionality loss metrics



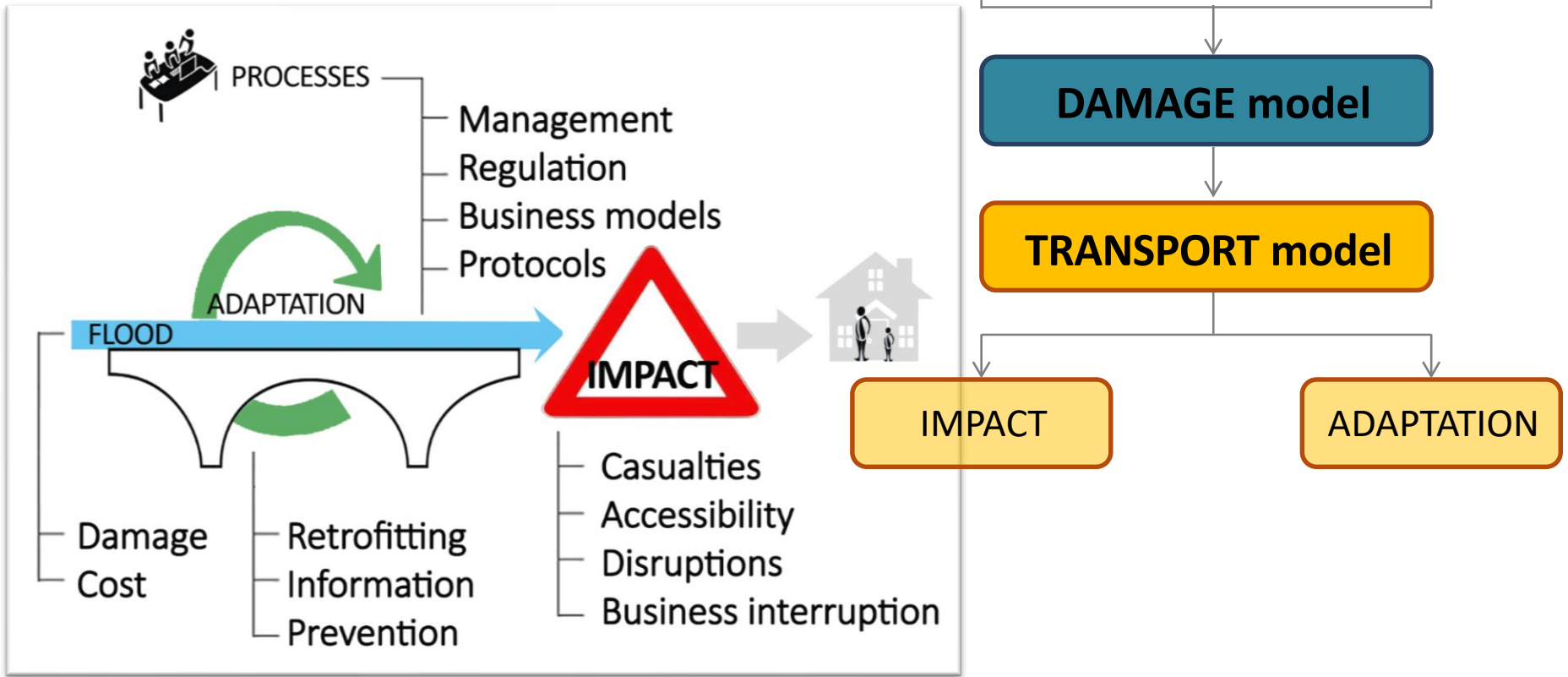
- Model network flows and accessibility
- Flood-transport integration
- Identify bridges and routes at risk





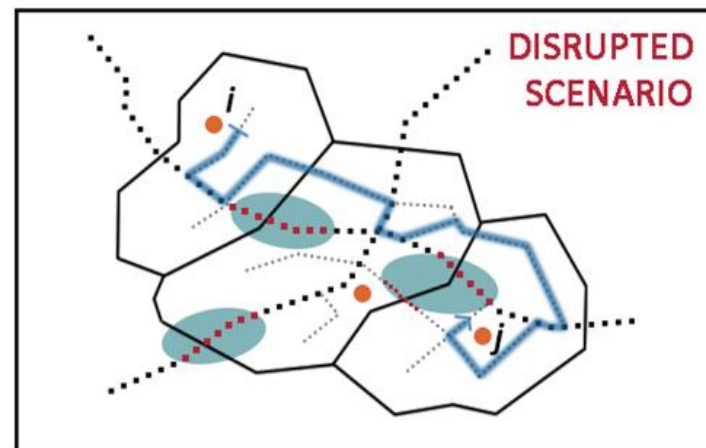
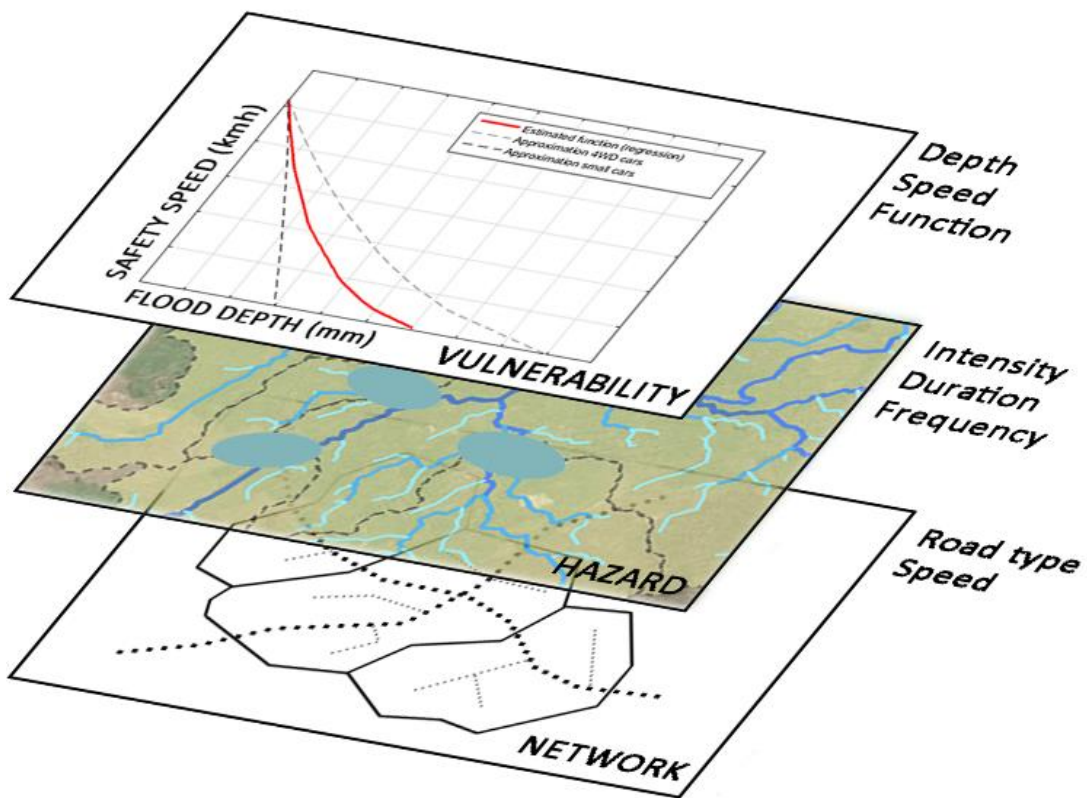
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- Societal and economic impact
- Target interventions
- Quantify returns and payback





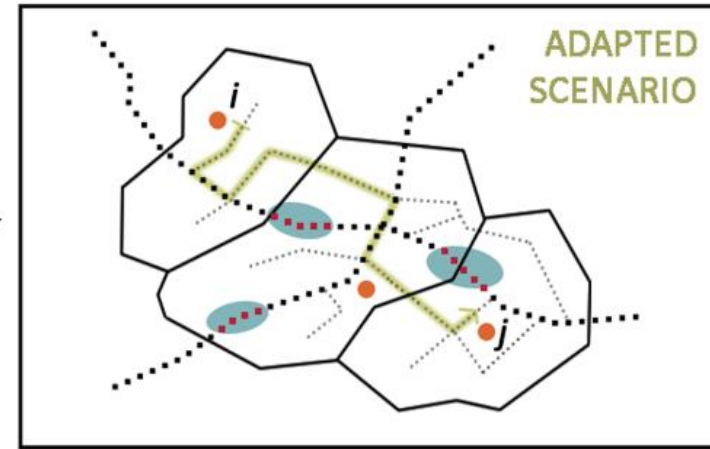
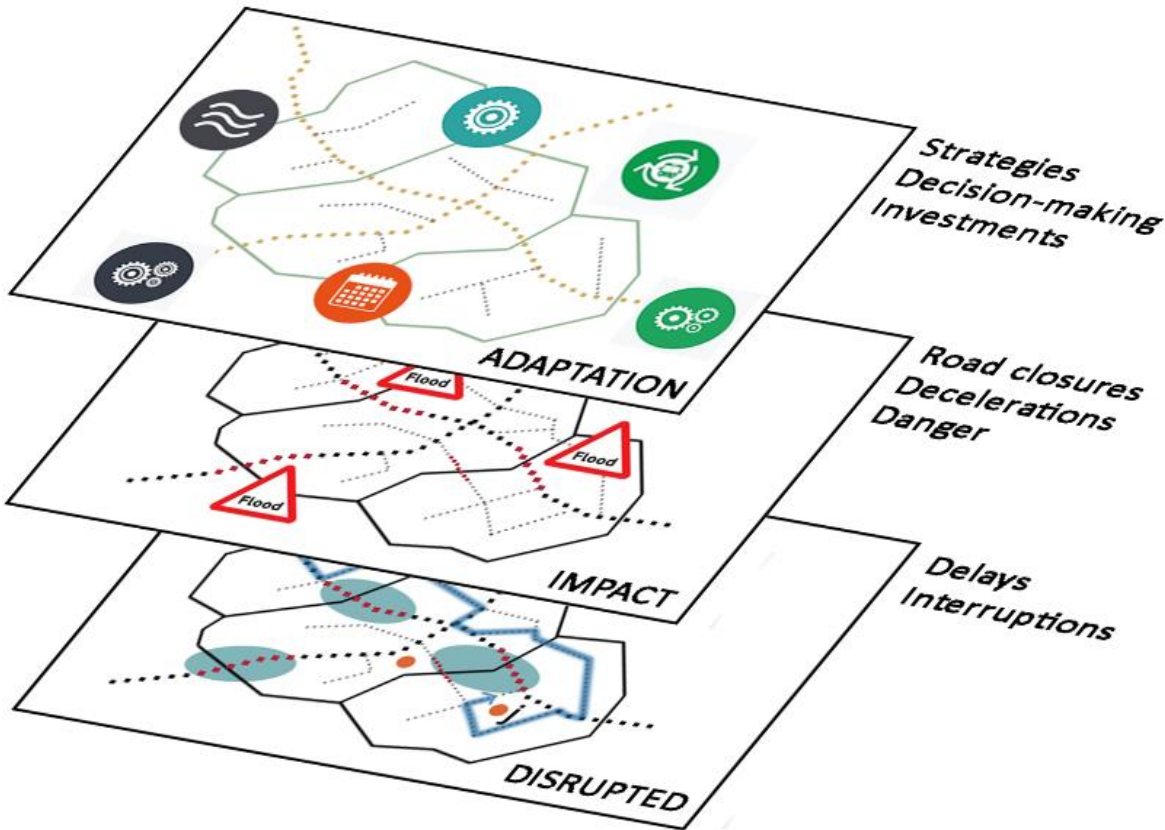
## Flood impact on road networks



- ..... Main roads
- ..... Minor roads
- ..... Impacted roads
- Centroids
- Ward
- Disrupted journey
- Flooded areas



## Adaptation on road networks



- ..... Main roads
- ..... Minor roads
- ..... Impacted roads
- Centroids
- Ward
- Adapted journey
- Flooded areas



# Adaptation



## Grey adaptation



## Green adaptation



**海绵城市**  
Sponge City





## BASELINE COST

Damage cost of hazard impact WITHOUT ADAPTATION

## ADAPTATION COST

Damage cost  
WITH  
ADAPTATION

+

Adaptation  
intervention  
cost

-

Co-benefits  
from  
adaptation

## COST-BENEFIT

BASELINE COST

-

ADAPTATION COST





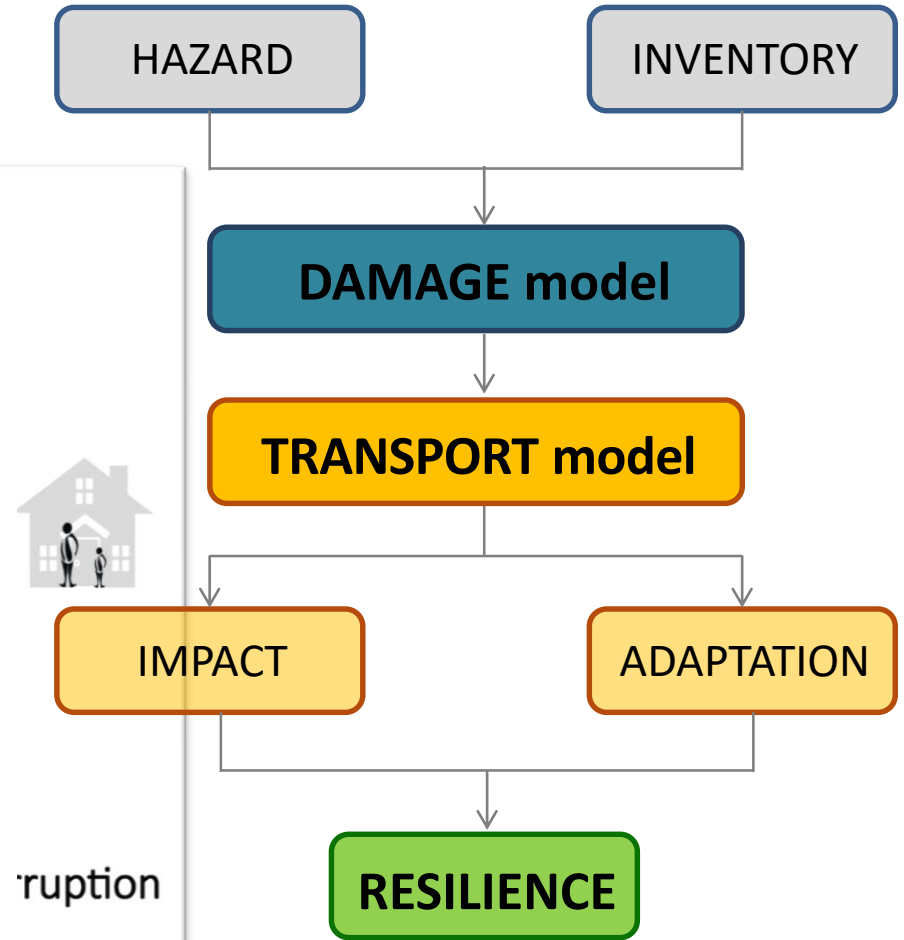
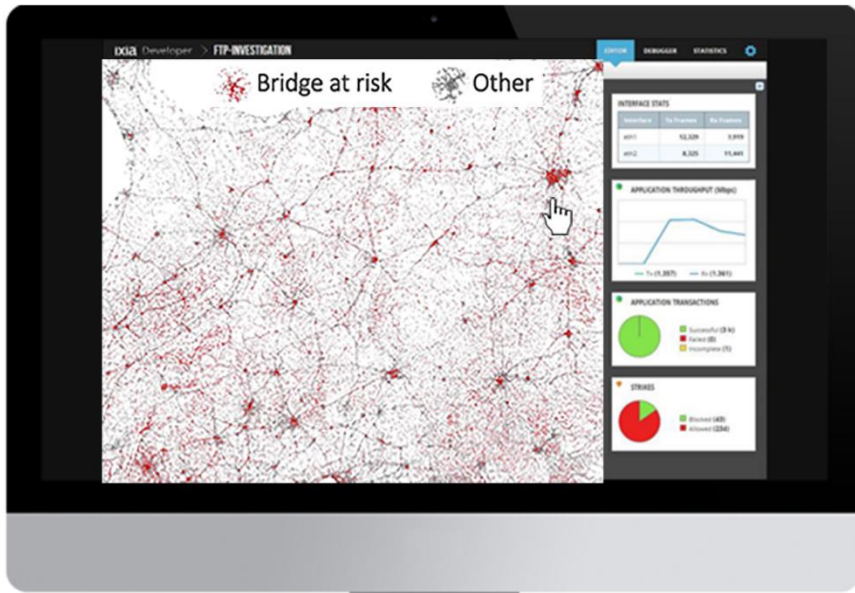
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PROCESSES

- Management
- Regulation
- Business models

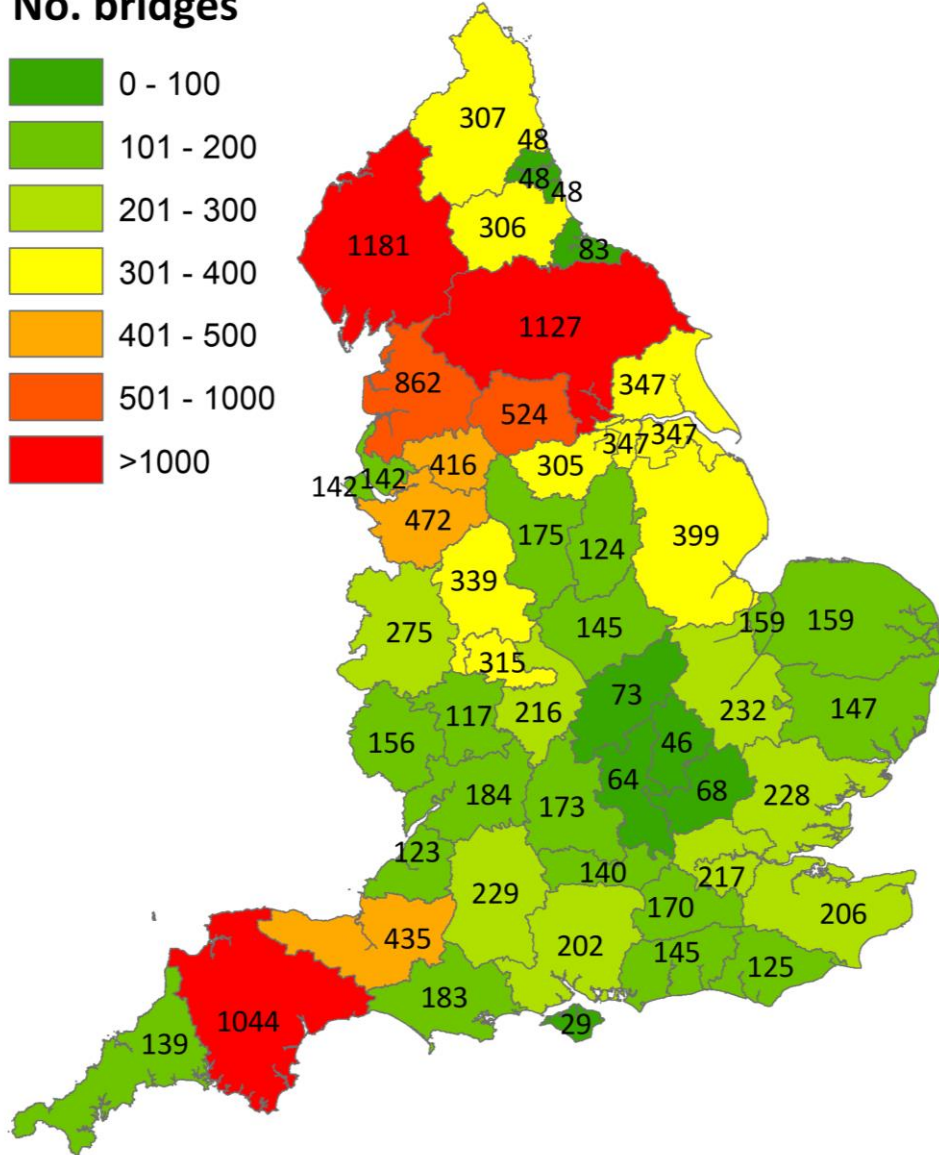
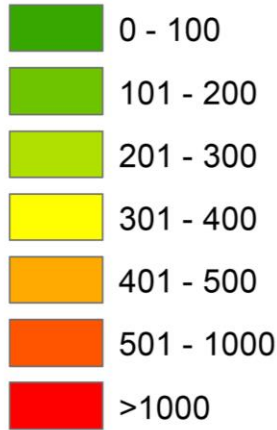




## BRIDGE TAXONOMY

- Topography (catchment)
- Type of bridge
- Type of foundations
- Age
- Maintenance
- Type of load/mean

### No. bridges



- **CITIES ALONG RIVERS**
- **BRIDGE CRITICALITY**
- **DISCONNECTION COST**
- **NATIONAL BRIDGE DATABASE**





- **FLOOD-BRIDGE DAMAGE MODEL**
- **INVENTORY PILOT**
- **UK CASE STUDY**
- **RETROFITTING**
- **SMART BRIDGES**





**THANK YOU**  
**谢谢**

*Questions?*

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*Interested in?*

- **CAT modelling**
- **Flood impact**
- **Urban adaptation**
- **Bridge engineering**

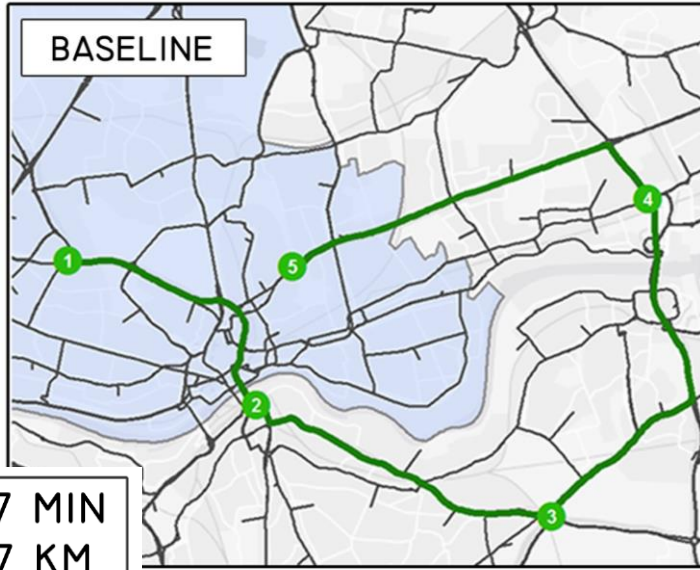
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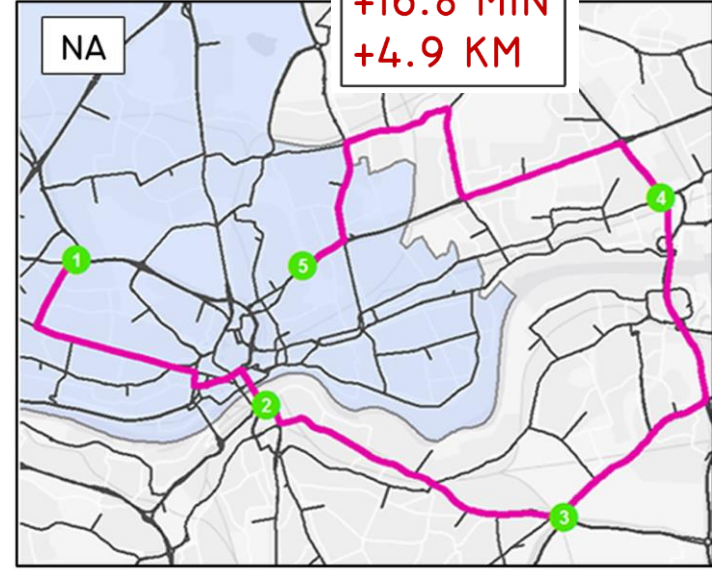
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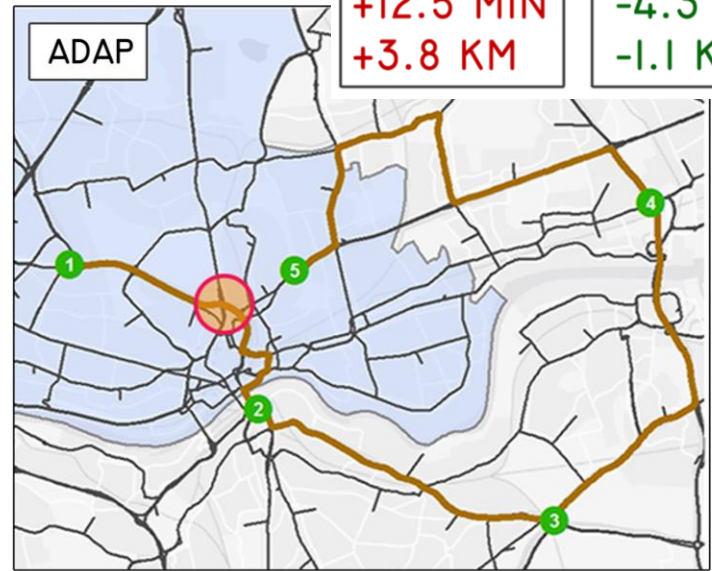
# Example (Newcastle)



23.7 MIN  
26.7 KM



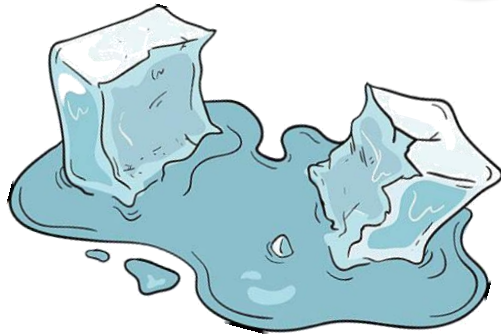
+16.8 MIN  
+4.9 KM



+12.5 MIN  
+3.8 KM

-4.3 MIN  
-1.1 KM

Protection of one **node**

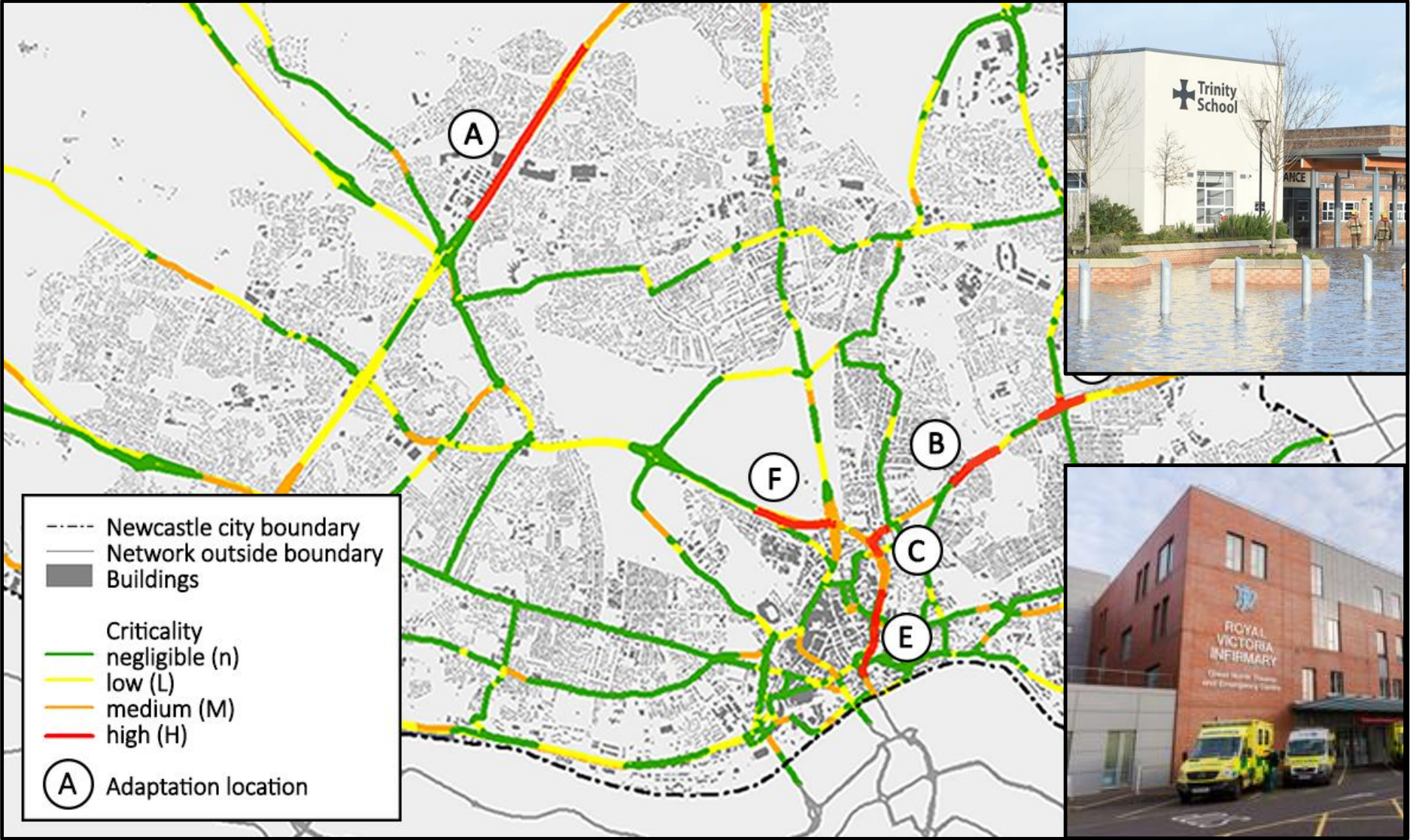




# Critical links

[MM] FLOOD DEPTH \ [CAR/HR] FLOW		EXPOSURE				IMPACT
		MINOR 0-500	MODERATE 501-1500	MAJOR 1501-2500	SEVERE >2500	
HAZARD	MINOR 0-100	LOW	LOW	LOW	MEDIUM	LOW
	MODERATE 101-300	LOW	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	MEDIUM
	MAJOR 301-1500	LOW	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH
	SEVERE >1500	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH

# Hotspots







# ....OTHER QUESTIONS??

- How infrastructure can be made SMART?
  - Smart in its usage
  - Smart in its robustness
  - ...
- Main barrier to use so much technology?
  - Costs vs benefits
  - Being reliant on technology
  - ...

