

STRUCTURAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT IN HEAVY INDUSTRIES

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Hatch

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Purpose of SHM

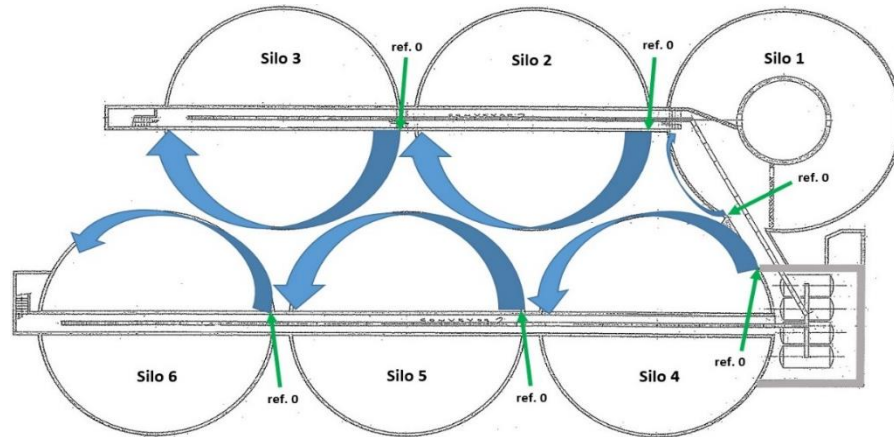
- ▶ Detect deterioration of structures due to corrosion, weathering, fatigue, chemical attack
- ▶ Locate damage zones
- ▶ Provide structural assessment for maintenance and rebuild plans

Methods of SHM

- ▶ Periodic techniques
 - Visual Inspection
 - Ground Penetrating Radar
 - Impact Echo
- ▶ Continuous techniques
 - Strain gauges
 - AE monitoring
 - Fiber Optic Sensing

Case Study of Industrial Application HATCH

- ▶ Six Cylindrical Concrete Silo (1957)
- ▶ One Steel Silo (1959)
- ▶ Subject to Typical Canadian Freeze and Thaw Condition for >60 years



Case Study of Industrial Application HATCH

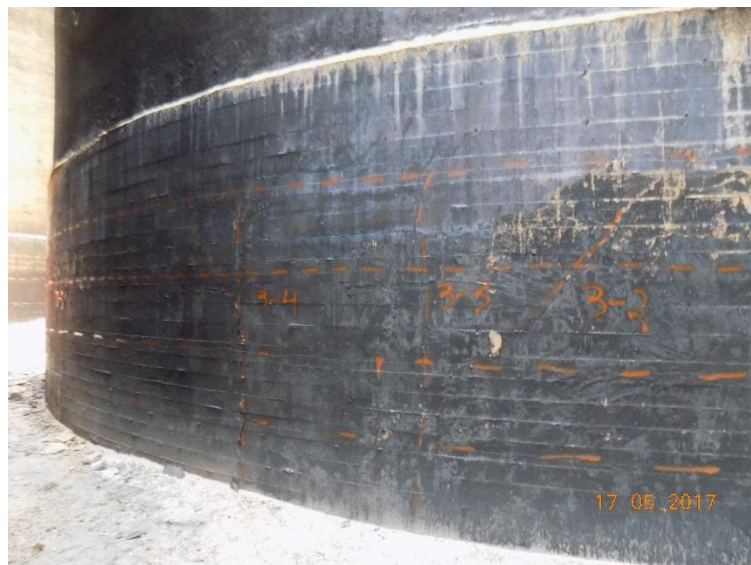
- ▶ Assess Structural Health suitable for Service Life Extension?

Comprehensive NDT program:

- ▶ Visual Inspection
- ▶ Ground Penetrating Radar
- ▶ Impact Echo
- ▶ Schmidt Hammer Rebound Test
- ▶ Ultrasound Test

Visual Inspection

- Locate Visible Damages and Main Structural Elements for further NDT Inspection
- Reduce Cost of NDT Inspection

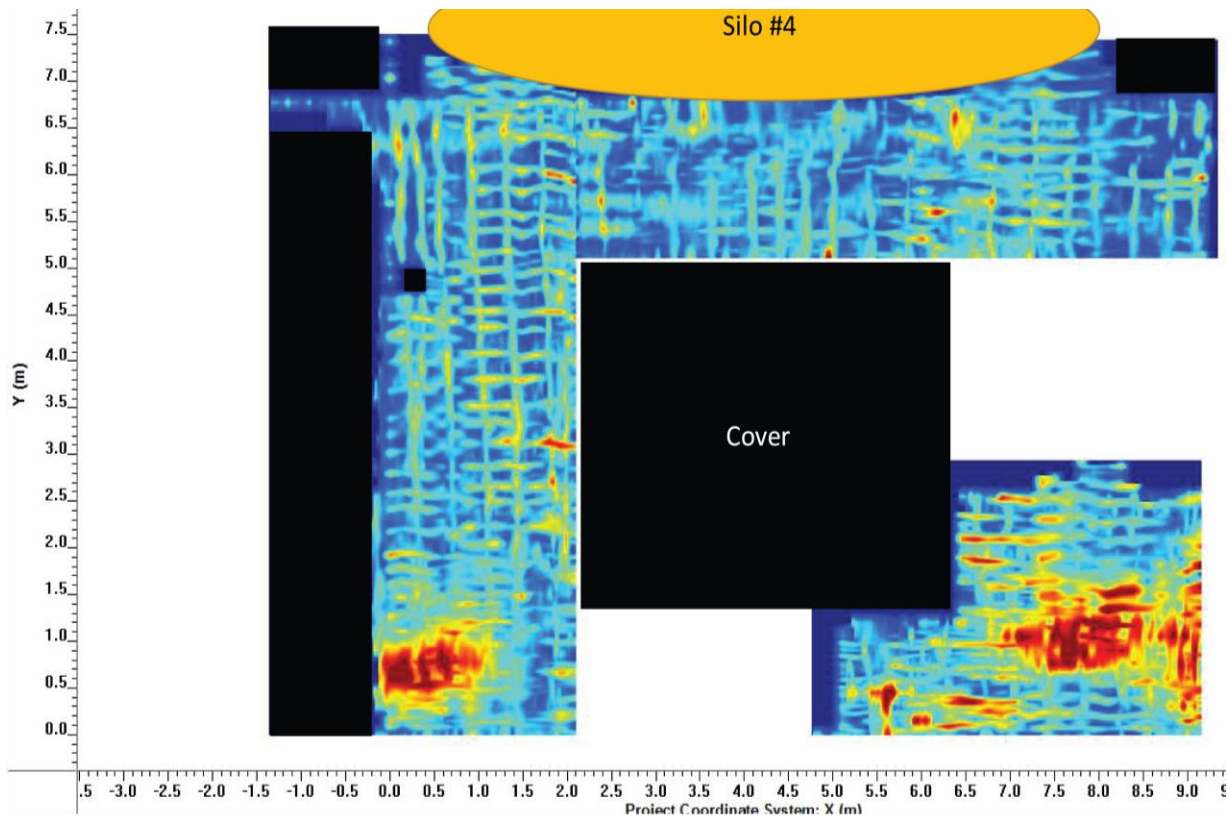


Exterior Damages on Wall

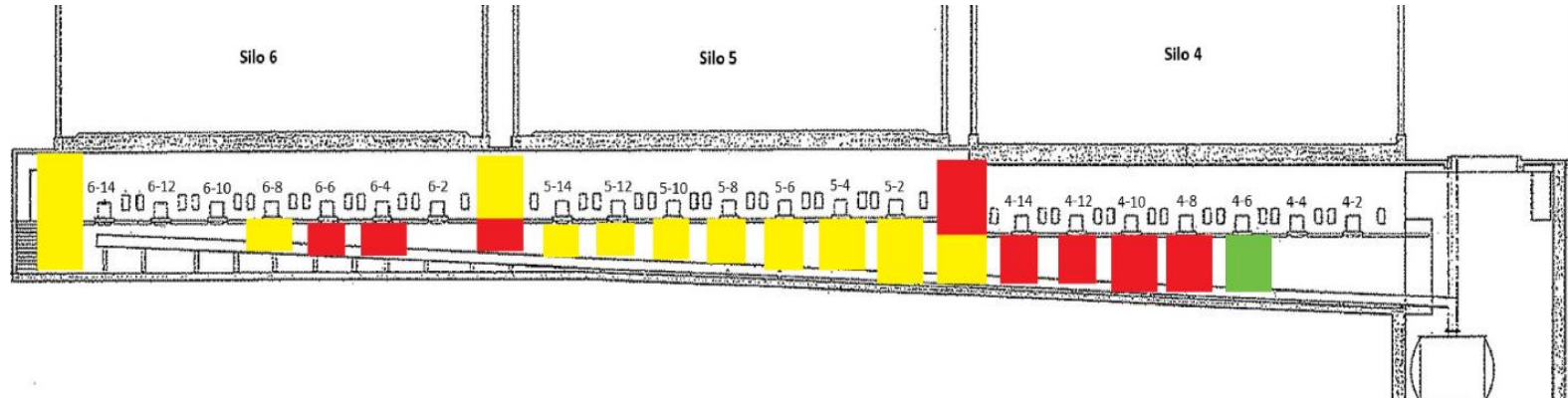


Interior Damaged Wall

Machine Room Roof 2D GPR Results



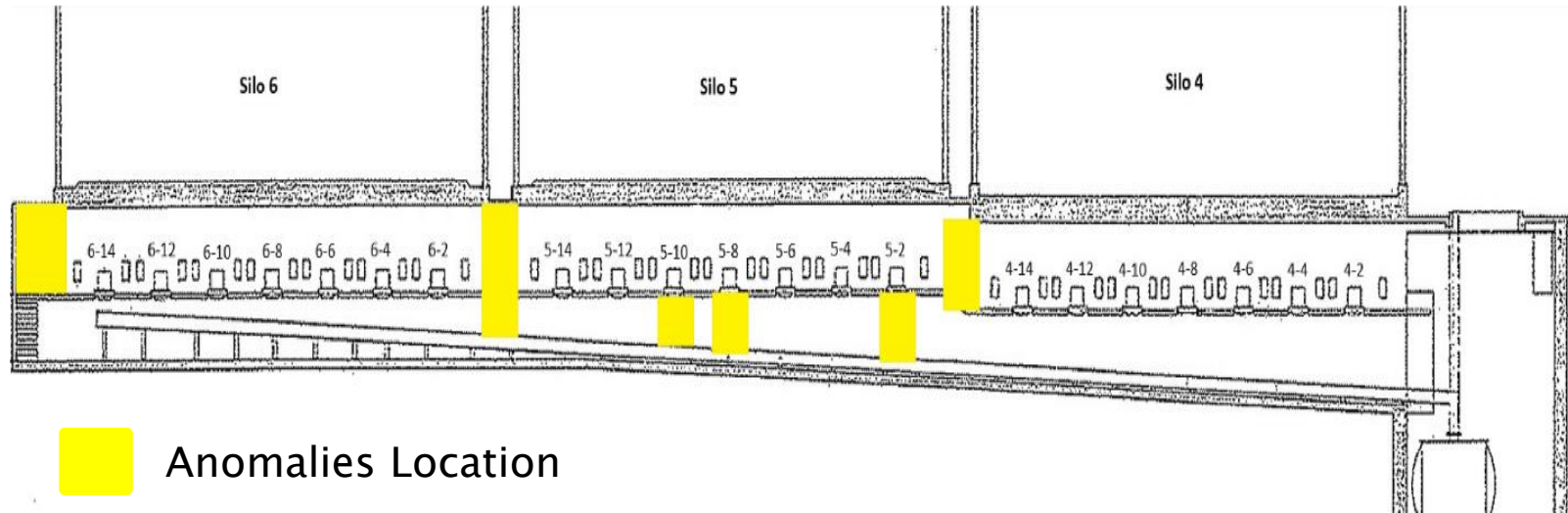
GPR Results of Delamination Map



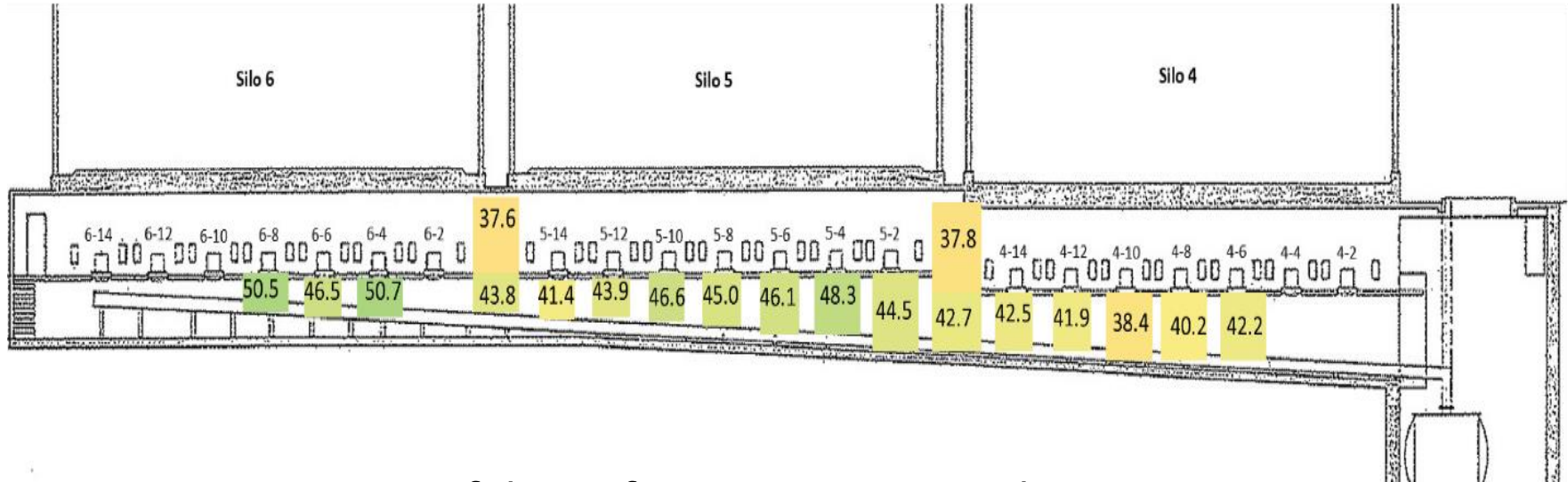
- Severely Delaminated
- Moderately Delaminated
- Consolidated Concrete

Impact-Echo (IE)

- Determine Cracks or Voids

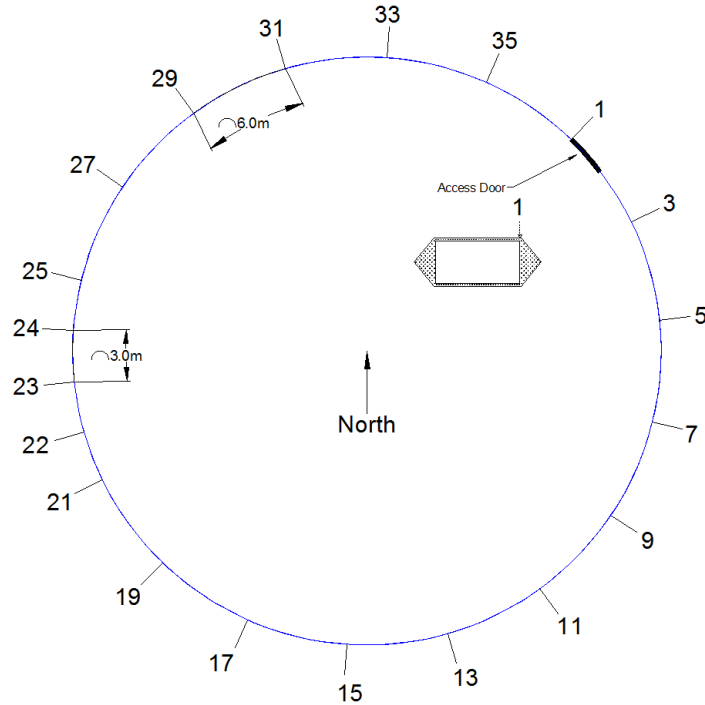


Schmidt Hammer

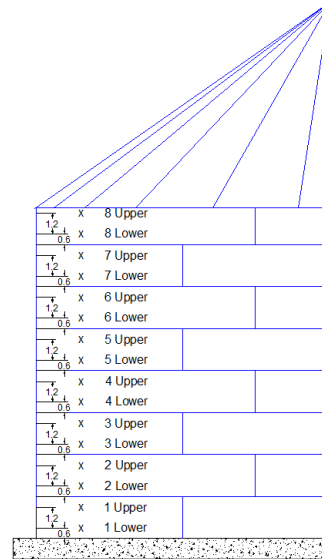


Most of the Surface Concrete Strength > 40 MPa

Ultrasound Test



543 UT Measurements
Average Thickness Loss is 0.4 mm



Corrosion and
Deteriorated Membrane



Conclusion

Comprehensive SHM Program:

- ▶ Prolong Campaign Life
- ▶ Plan for Maintenance → Timely Mitigation Measures
- ▶ Localize the Extent of Repair → Reduce cost



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