



## SP4 Advanced Monitoring

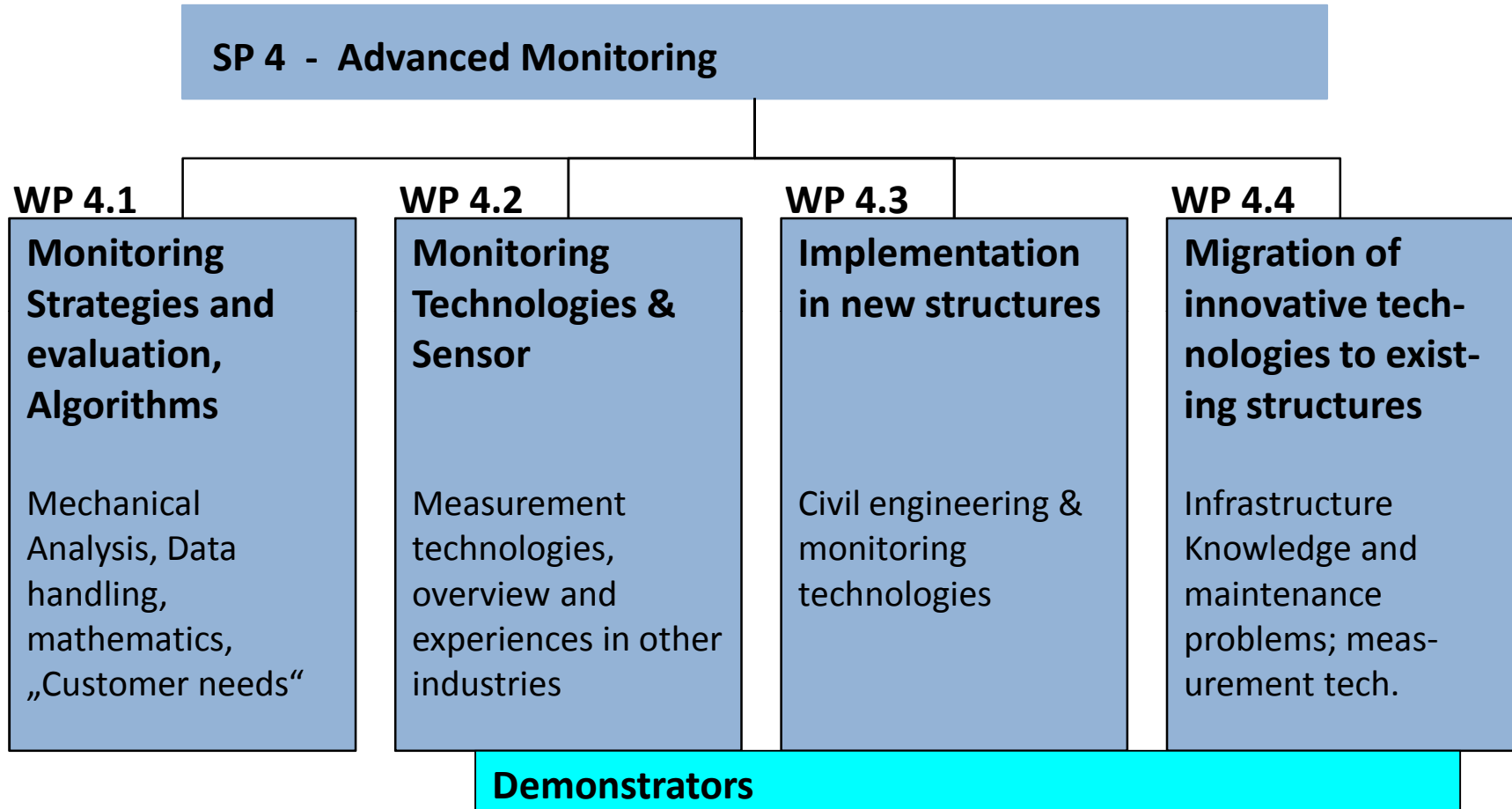
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## Workpackages and content



## Steps of the last 18 month ...

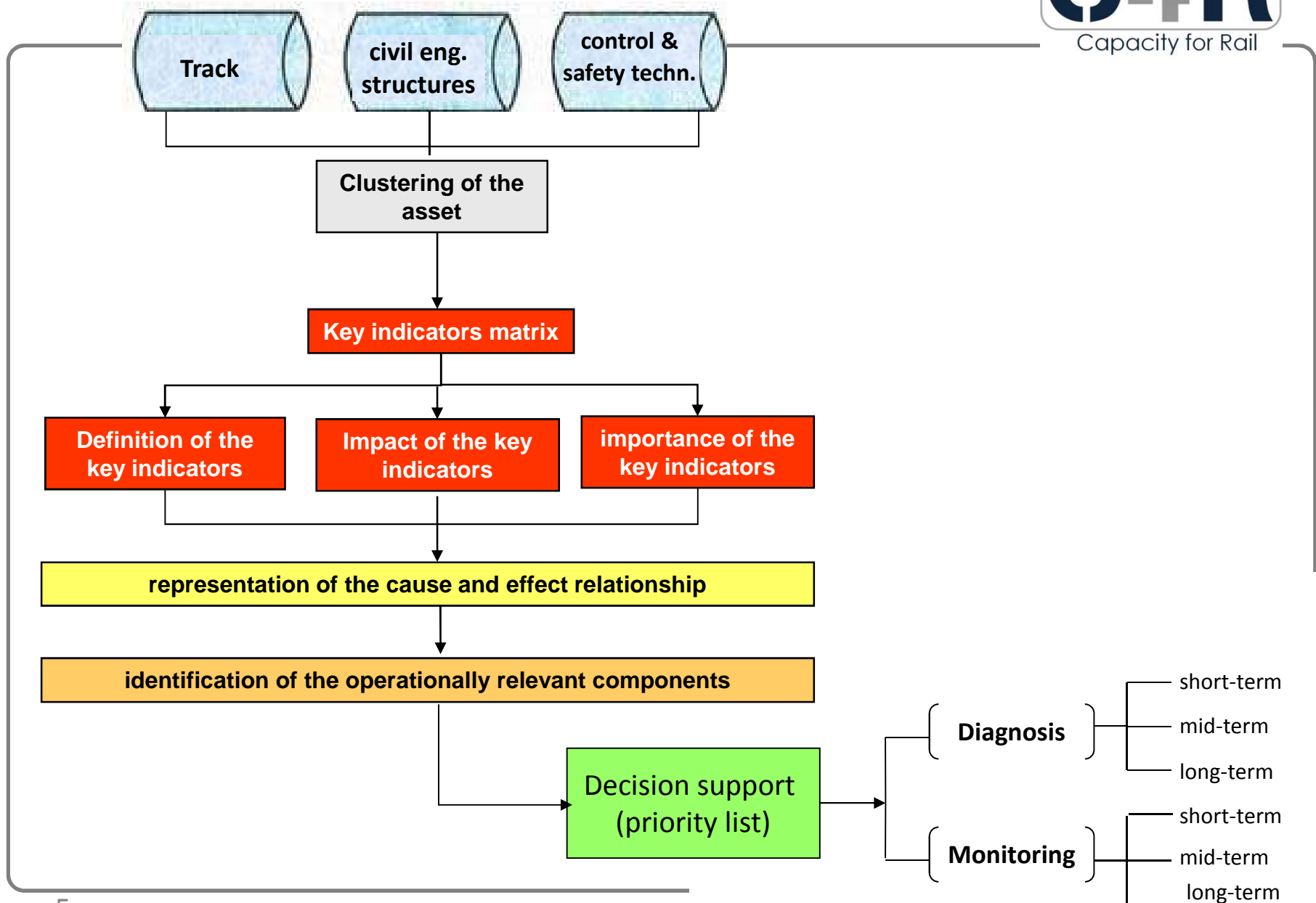
- Development of a questionnaire for maintenance
- „Wish-list“ for components/systems which should be monitored
- Process for technical and economical assessment
- Definition of requirements for Monitoring Technologies
- Survey of suitable Monitoring Sensors/Technologies
- Application examples for new structures and Retro-fit

# Starting point for the questionnaire

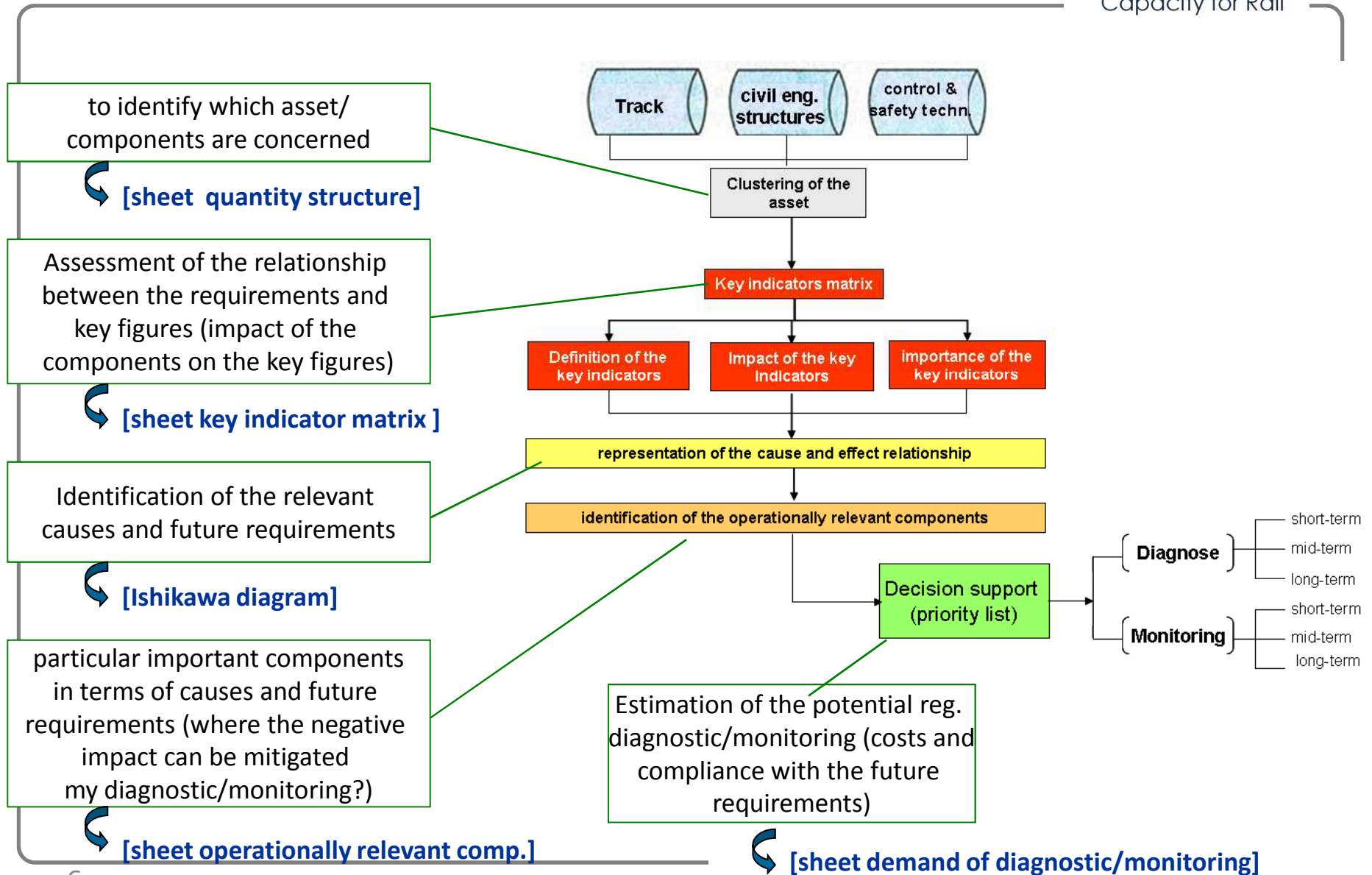
- Target group of the questionnaire are Asset manager and strategists of the railway systems
- Identification of the needs regarding diagnostic and monitoring respectively for short-term, mid-term and long-term perspective
- Create a decision support for diagnostic/monitoring demand based on technical and operational analysis, i. e. to figure out where diagnostic and monitoring respectively is required and to evaluate how much does it cost
- Systems and components of assets for the trades of track, civil engineering structure and control & safety technologies

**objective: priority list reg. diagnostic technology and monitoring respectively for new and retrofit components**

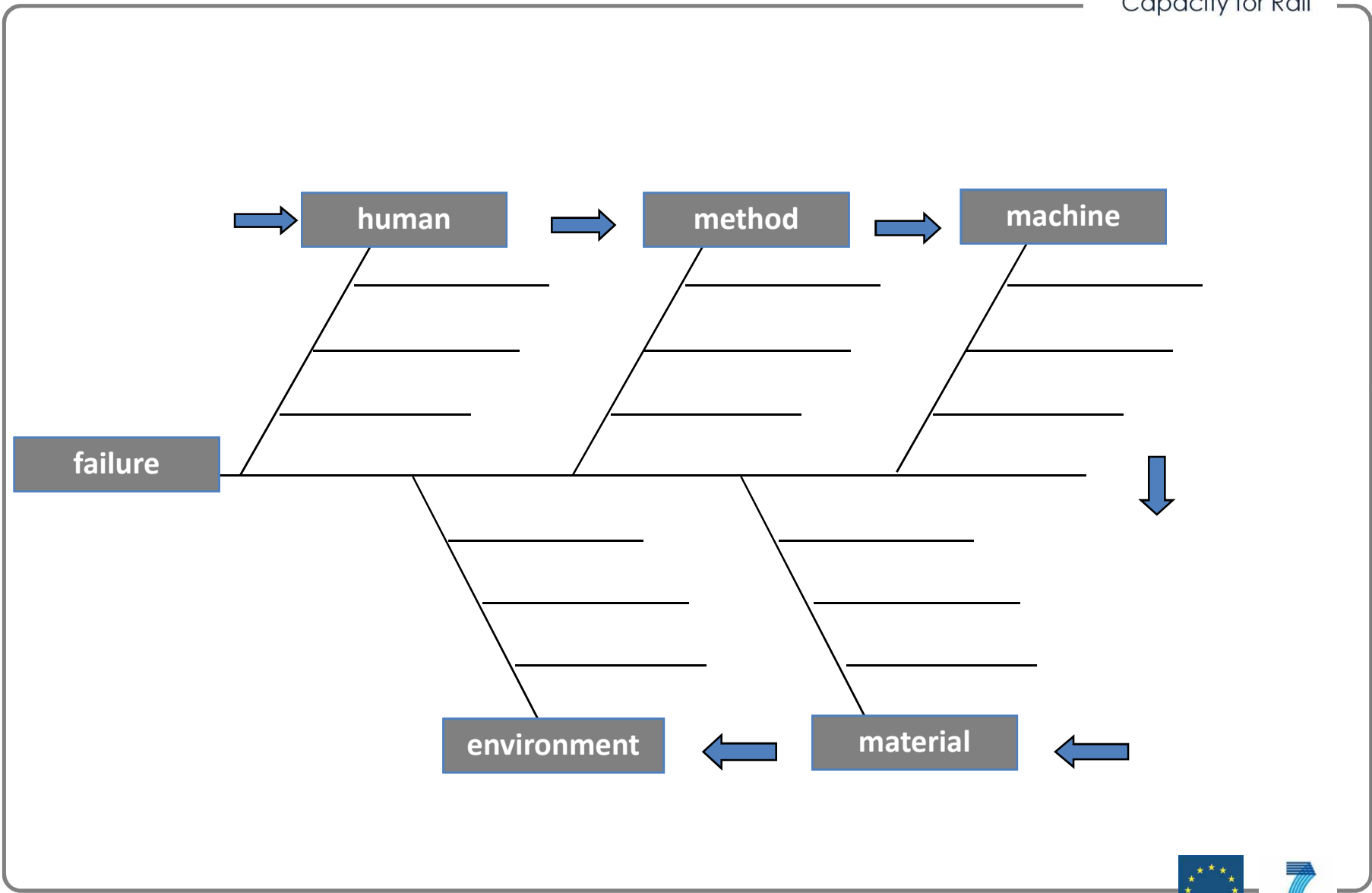
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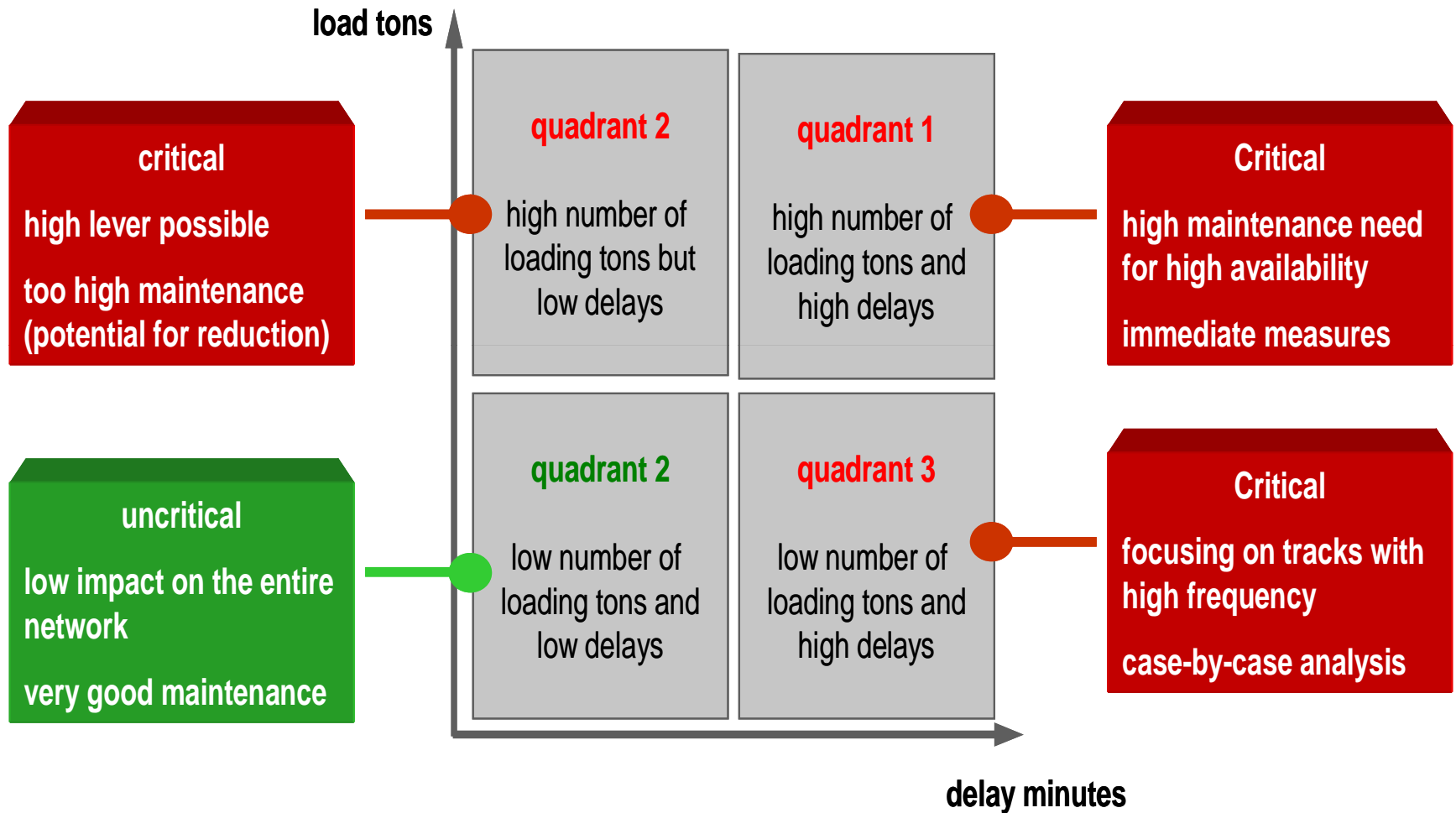
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# Representation of the cause and effect relationship through Ishikawa diagram



# Classification of the switches





# Analyses based on the available data

**Cost per damage**

high	Root cause analysis	Early warning	Act
moderate	Monitoring	Root cause analysis	Early warning
low	Do nothing	Monitoring	Root cause analysis
	low	moderate	high

Frequency of failure per time slice

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## Important differences

Increasing Complexity & Costs

- Monitoring

Measuring of direct or indirect values to identify unusual product behaviour. (Switches → measurement of the current)

- Diagnosis

Automatic assessment of measured values. Repeatability ensured by statistic. Clear Knowledge about the behaviour of components or products.

- Inspection (Self-inspection)

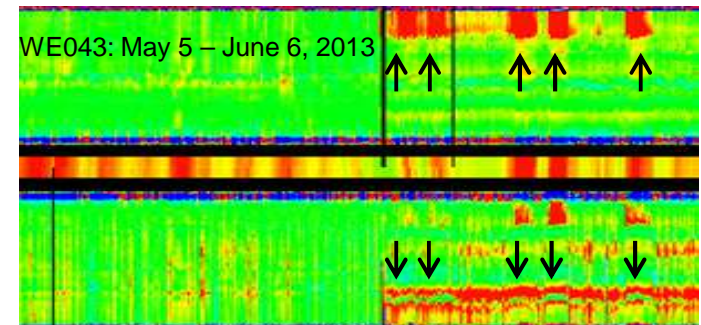
Measurement or visual assessment of safety relevant behaviours. The measurement accuracy must be at least 10-times better than the value in the specification. ( 1,0 mm → 0,01 mm)

### TRADITIONAL POINT DIAGNOSTICS



### LONG-TERM POINT MACHINE BEHAVIOUR

Example: Point machine temperature-induced anomalies

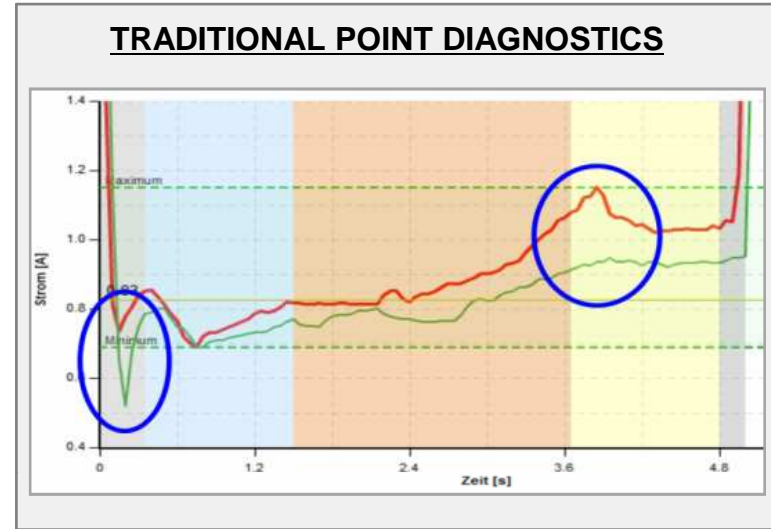
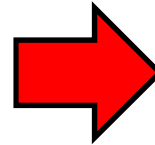


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## Current status for switches

- Monitoring

**State-of-the-art**



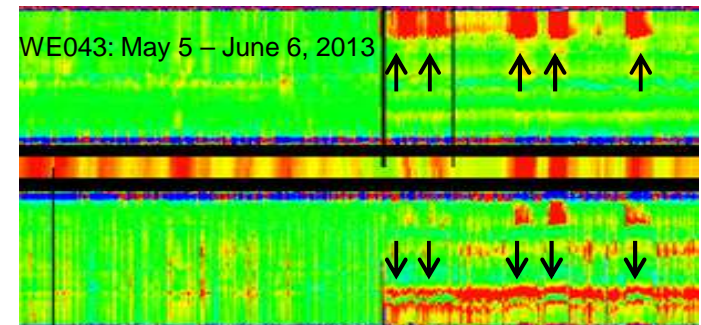
- Diagnosis

**Current & upcoming technology**



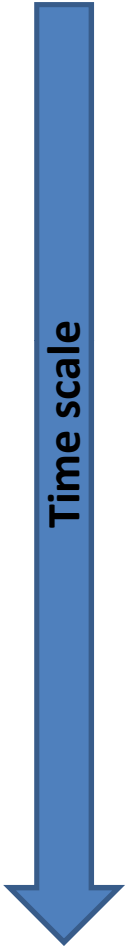
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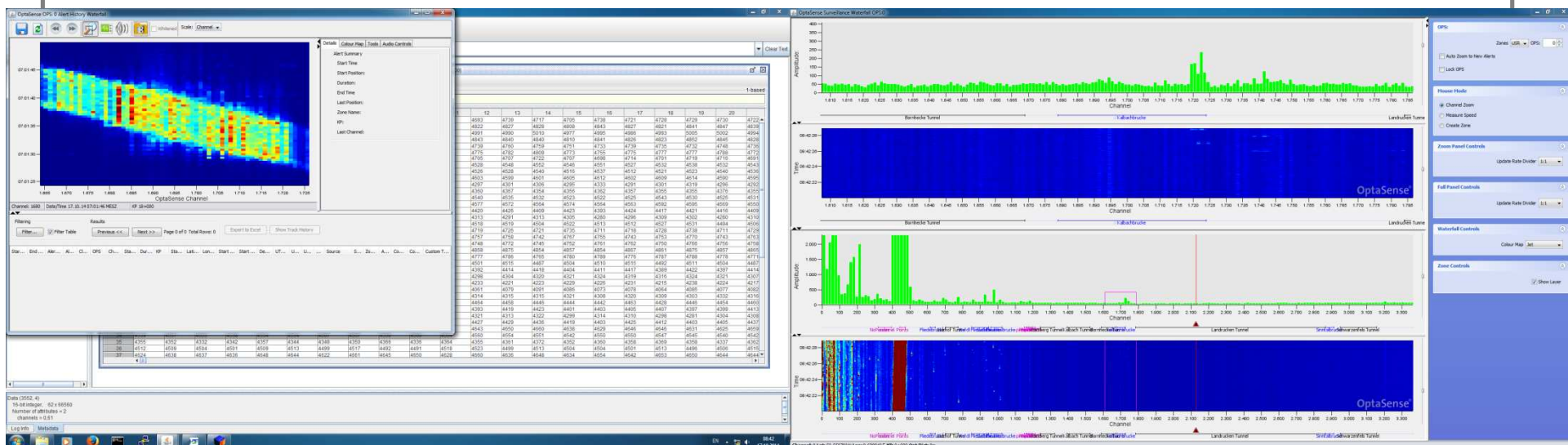
Time scale



## Open points for switches

- Monitoring of Actuating and Locking System is State-of-the-art.
- Necessary is the monitoring of the dynamic behaviour of the switch → Information about track degradation
- Necessary ist the monitoring of the frog for defects – up today identified only by visual inspection

- A first evaluation of an „Optasense“-fingerprint of a high-speed line was done and should be analysed by track specialists within the department.



- A comparison with acoustic-monitoring is planned for august to identify further signal patterns for RCM purposes.  
➔ noise, axle counting, hunting, wheel flats ... Input SP3



## WP4.3 Implementation in new infrastructures

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4. Next steps and outcomes

## Work Package 4.3. Implementation in new structures

### Goal

To design and demonstrate the Advanced Monitoring system to be integrated in the new slab track concepts developed in SP1.

### Tasks

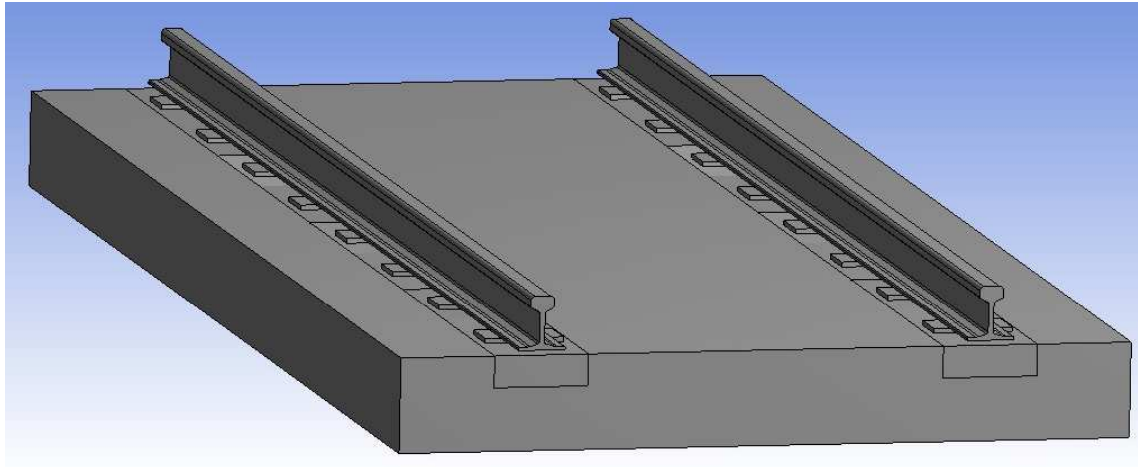
- T4.3.1. Specific monitoring requirements and techniques for the new infrastructure elements
- T4.3.2. Analysis of the interaction/interference between sensors and infrastructure elements
- T4.3.3. Development of procedures for installation, maintenance and replacement of sensors
- T4.3.4. Demonstration of innovative monitoring concepts in new infrastructure

### Partners

CEMOSA (leader), Deutsche Bahn, ACCIONA, University of Birmingham, Uppsala University, University of Porto, ADEVICE, TCDD, REFER, EFRTC

## Modular Slab Track

RAMS optimised concept



### Weak points

- High lateral forces in the stoppers.
- Possible movements in the gap between consecutive slabs
- Loss of tightening force in steel plates fixing the blocks to the slab
- Drainage of the blocks channel and the slab

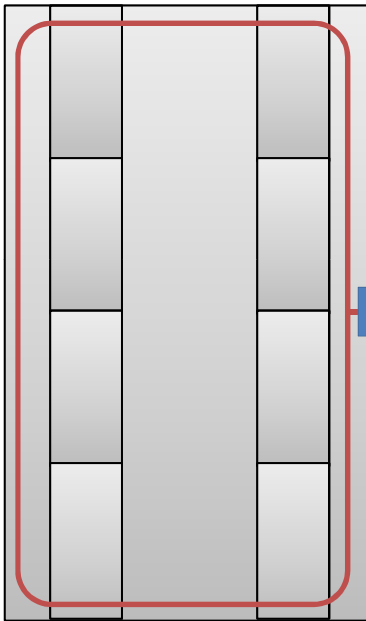


Failures modes

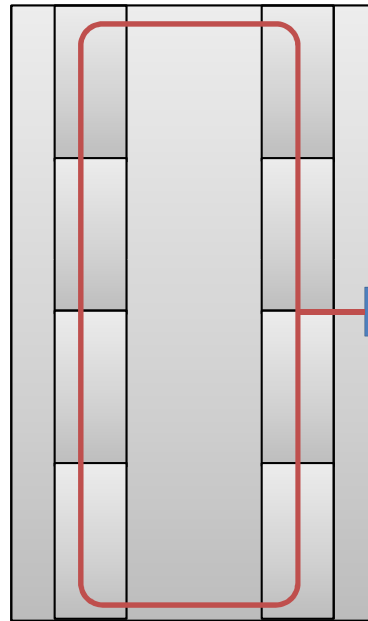
Failure detection methods

## Low cost sensors embedded in precast concrete elements

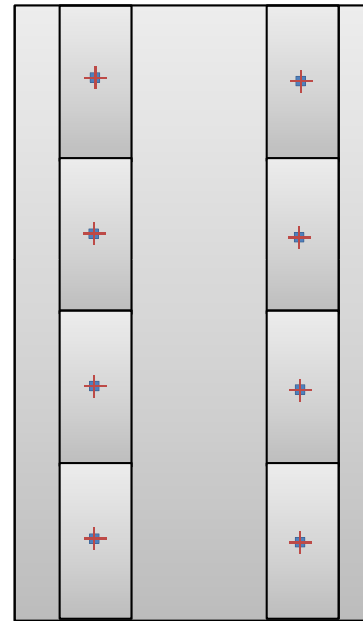
Fiber optic inside the external slab



Fiber optic below the blocks



Accelerometers inside the blocks



### Targets:

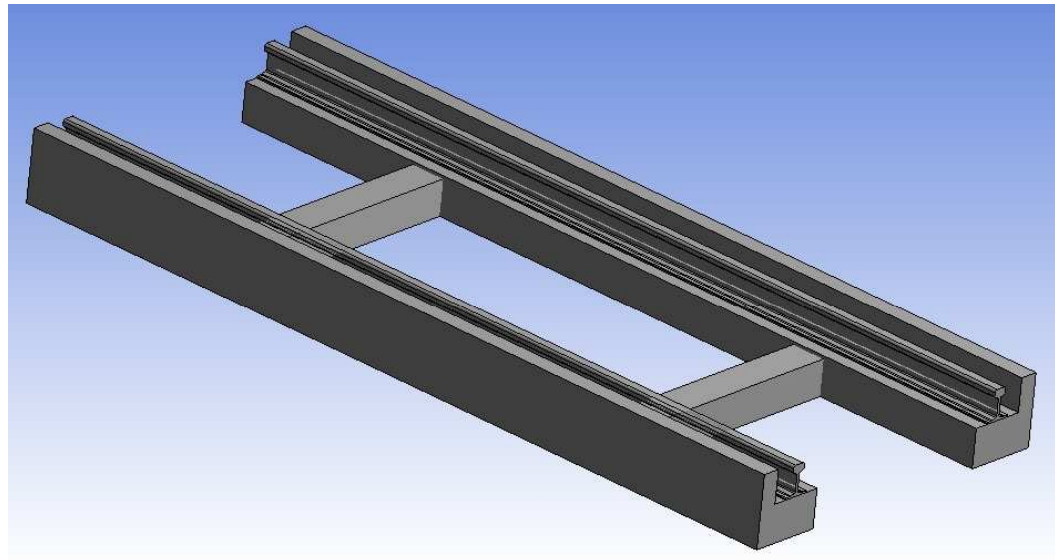
- Direct measurement of strains/stresses.
- Movements in the blocks.
- Indirect detection of defects due to anomalies in natural frequencies

Plug&Play monitoring box:  
Energy and comm.



## Ladder Track

LCC optimised concept



### Weak points

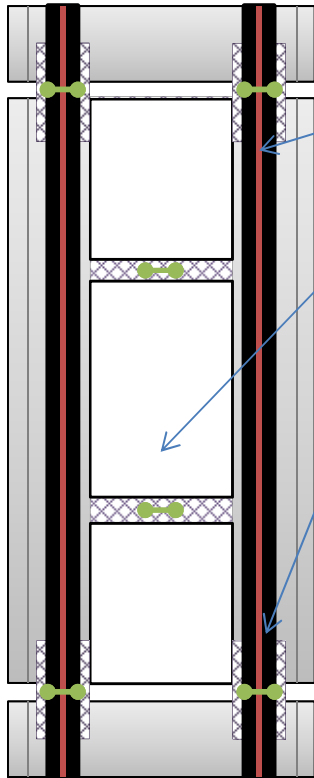
- High bending moments in the transversal sleepers
- High stresses in the transition steel plates between beams
- Drainage between the longitudinal beams



Failures modes

Failure detection methods

## Continuous rail support -> Continuous monitoring



Fiber optic below the continuous rail pad

Strain gauges at the transversal sleepers

Strain gauges at the transition plates

### Targets:

To detect **excessive strains** -> **high stresses**

To detect **relative movements** between consecutive beams

To monitor **train operation**

No need of monitoring boxes: The fiber optic could be the communication/powering way of the monitoring system.

### **Next steps**

- Analysis of the interaction/interference between sensors and infrastructure elements
- Development of procedures for installation, maintenance and replacement of sensors
- Demonstration of innovative monitoring concepts in new infrastructure, in coordination with SP1

### **Deliverables**

- D43.1. Guidelines for installation and maintenance of sensors
- D43.2. Demonstration of new monitoring techniques

*...any questions?*



Thank you for your  
attention !