

# Long-term performance and carbon emissions associated to tunneling

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# Outline

- Carbon emissions of road tunnels
- Example of vehicle operation economy – emissions and \$
- Improvement of carbon emissions in tunnel construction: the role of sprayed concrete
- Long-term accidents in tunnels
- Long term monitoring of tunnel behavior
- Final remarks

# Carbon emissions of road tunnels

# Lifetime assessment of Norwegian road tunnels (Huang *et al.*, 2013)

- 67 m<sup>2</sup> cross section
- Rock
- 100 years lifetime
- 1280 kWh / (m.year) for lighting, ventilation, pumps, monitoring

# CO<sub>2</sub>eq emissions due to construction

- 6.5 tons / 1m tunnel
- Energy: 9%
- Transportation of materials: 15%
- Concrete: 42%
- Diesel for construction machines: 8%
- Explosives: 4.8%
- Others ...

# Total emissions during lifetime (100 yr, t / m)

- Construction: 6.5
- Operation: 4.55
- Maintenance: 1.95

Example of vehicle operation economy –  
emissions and \$

# Example of emissions evaluation Tunnel versus at-grade solution

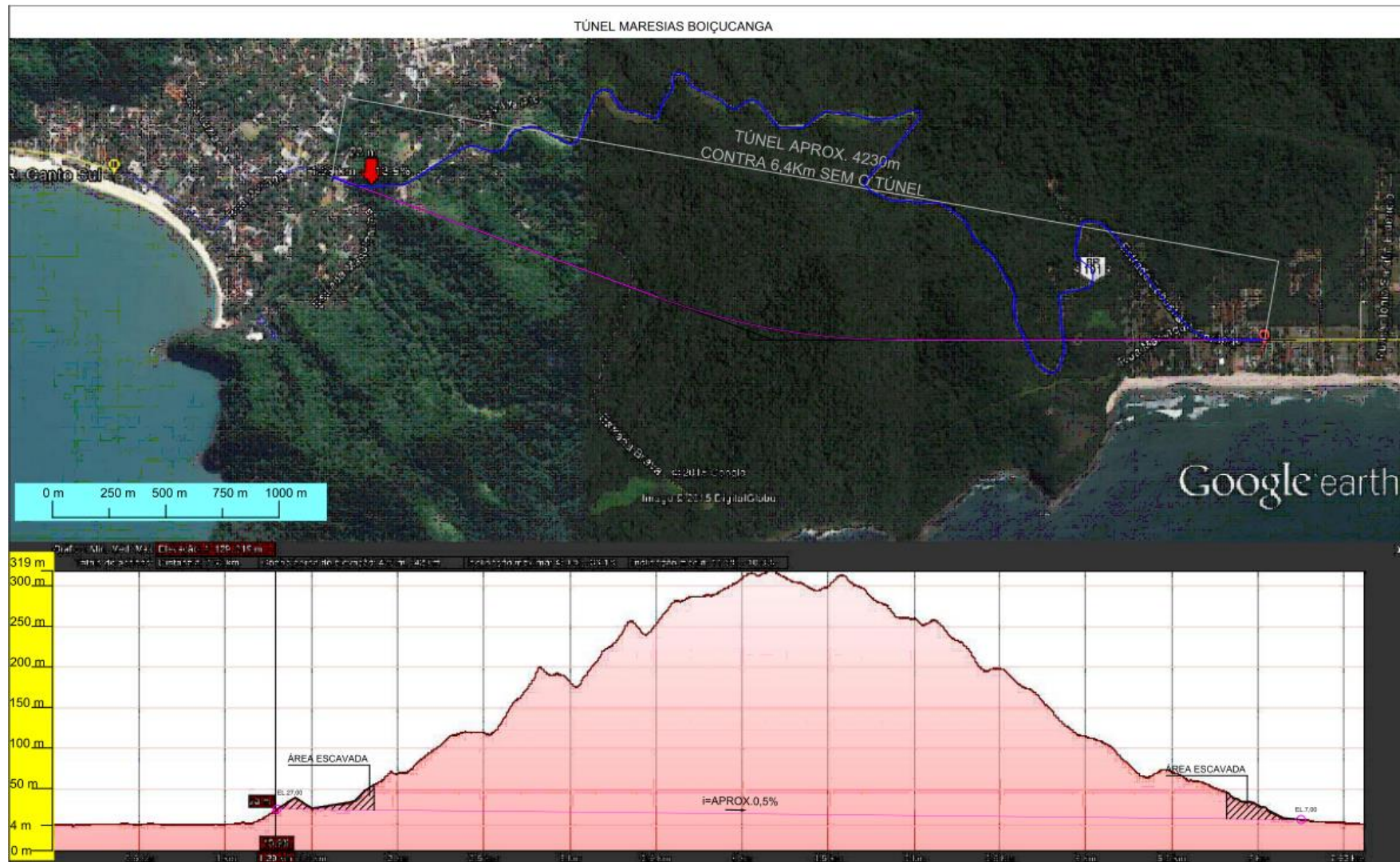
- Example: SP 55 highway
- Between Maresias and Boiçucanga beaches
- Evaluation last 40 years
- Assumptions from Huang *et al.* (2013)



# **Cost of no-tunnel solution for roads SP 55 Road, Northern Coast, State of São Paulo**



# Maresias-Boiçucanga section



# SP-55 – Maresias-Boiçucanga

- Straight line distance: 4.2 km
- At-grade road: 6.4 km
- Maximum elevation: 320 m
- Gradient: 6%
- Average daily traffic: 12,325 vehic./dia

# Construction, operation and maintenance CO<sub>2</sub>eq emissions

## 1 – Tunnel

|                 |                               |               |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
| • Construction: | $6.5 \times 4230$             | 27495 t       |
| • Operation:    | $4.55 \times 4230 \times 0.4$ | 7700 t        |
| • Maintenance:  | $1.95 \times 4230 \times 0.4$ | <u>3300 t</u> |
|                 |                               | 38500 t       |

## 2 – At grade

- Construction:
- Operation:
- Maintenance:

# Economy of vehicle emissions in 40 years if tunnel existed

- At surface: cars  $12323 * 65\% * 6420 * 365 * 40 * (\text{consumption class G})$   
trucks  $12323 * 35\% * 6420 * 365 * 40 * (\text{consumption class G})$
- Tunnel cars  $12323 * 65\% * 4230 * 365 * 40 * (\text{consumption class A})$   
trucks  $12323 * 35\% * 4230 * 365 * 40 * (\text{consumption class A})$

Economy with tunnel in 40 years: **470000 t CO<sub>2</sub>eq**

# Vehicle operational cost

## Tunnel vs at-grade road

- Total additional distance traveled per year: 11.5 million km
- 288 turns around the world
- Additional vehicle operating cost:  
US\$ 1,42 billion  
in the last 40 years

# Additional costs of at-grade road

- Accidents
- Pavement maintenance
- Landslides
- Etc.





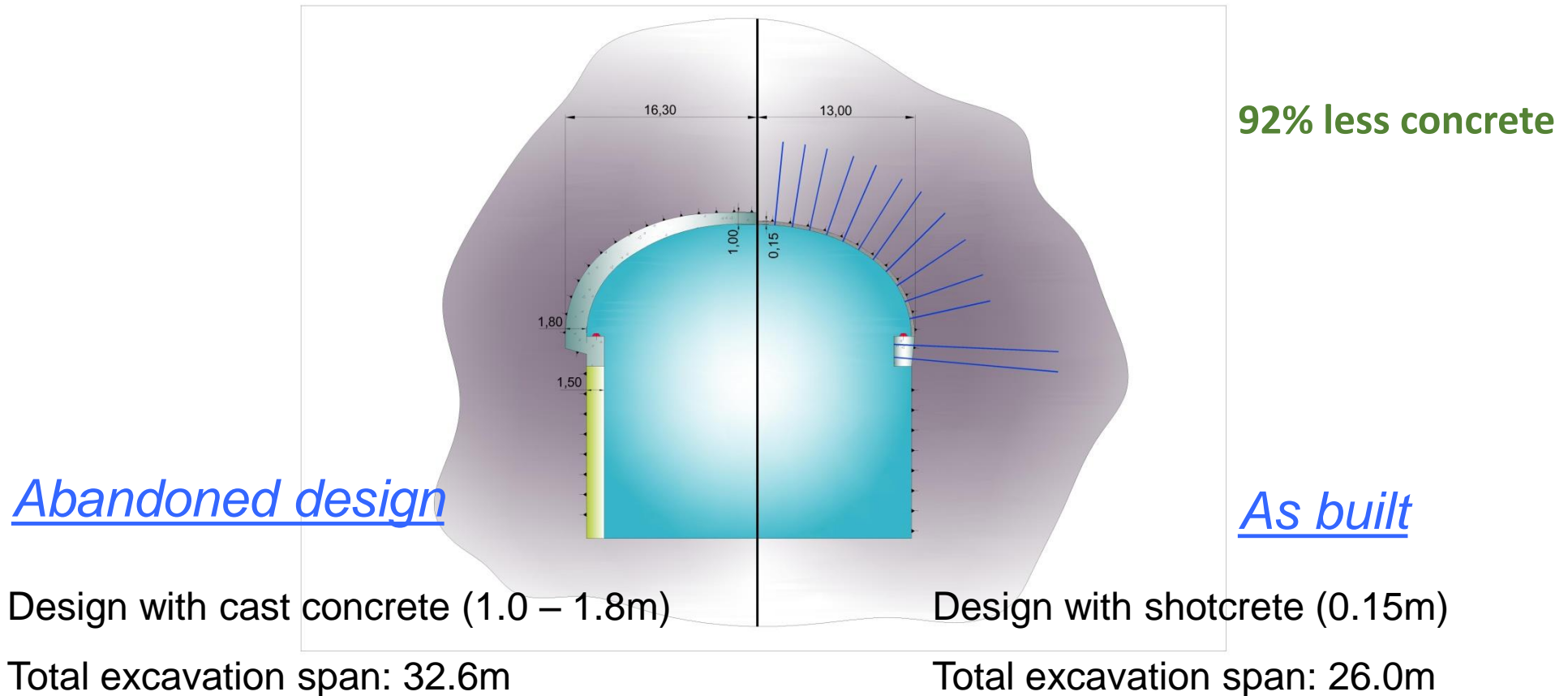




Sprayed concrete  
Lower emissions and costs

## 2 TUNNELS AND SHAFTS

### Paulo Afonso IV power house



## 2 TUNNELS AND SHAFTS

### Single-shell lining in Germany Single track tunnels (*Pöttler & Klapperich, 2001*)

| Year           | 1981-83 | 1982 | 1984-87 | 1987-89 |
|----------------|---------|------|---------|---------|
| Ground         | S/M     | S/M  | M       | C       |
| Pressure (bar) | 0.5     | 0.5  | 0.5     | 0.6     |
| Thickness (cm) | 37      | 25   | 39      | 40      |

| Year           | 1987-89 | 1989-90 | 1990-92 | 1991 |
|----------------|---------|---------|---------|------|
| Ground         | C       | M       | M       | G/M  |
| Pressure (bar) | 0.6     | 0       | 1.2     | 0    |
| Thickness (cm) | 25      | 40      | 30      | 35   |

C – claystone    M – marl    S - sandstone

## 2 TUNNELS AND SHAFTS

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### Comments by *Pöttler & Klapperich*, 2001

- ❑ 10 - 15% savings due to single shell concept
- ❑ Scattered considerations about load on the second layer:  
  
full load to partial load
- ❑ Different design philosophy → even more significant savings

## 2 TUNNELS AND SHAFTS

### Single-shell lining in São Paulo Single track tunnels

- Year: since 1981
- Ground: stiff clay with water-bearing sand layers
- Pressure: 0.5 to 2.0 bar
- Total thickness: 20 to 25 cm



## 2 TUNNELS AND SHAFTS

# Shotcrete lining for the São Paulo Subway



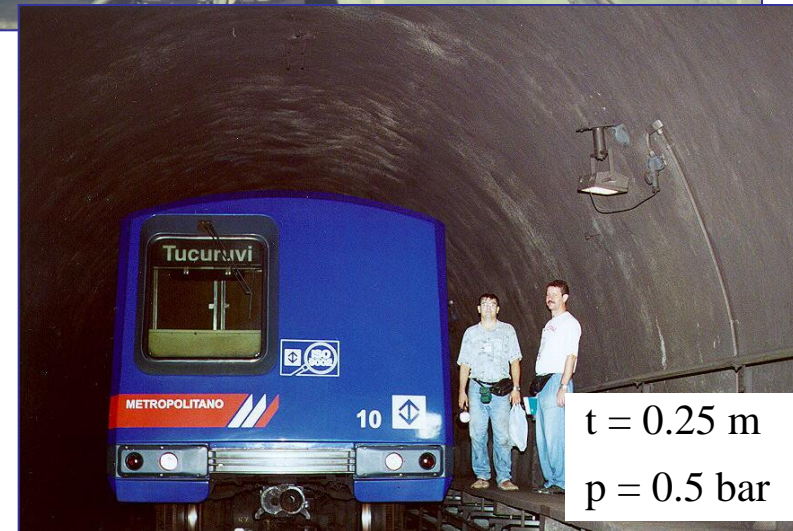
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$t = 0.40 \text{ m}$   
 $p = 0.7 \text{ bar}$



$t = 0.25 \text{ m}$   
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São Paulo Ring Road  
200 m<sup>2</sup>  
4 lanes 86,000 vehic/day



## 2 TUNNELS AND SHAFTS

# Rio de Janeiro Metro - Arcoverde Station



## 2 TUNNELS AND SHAFTS

### Stockholm Metro





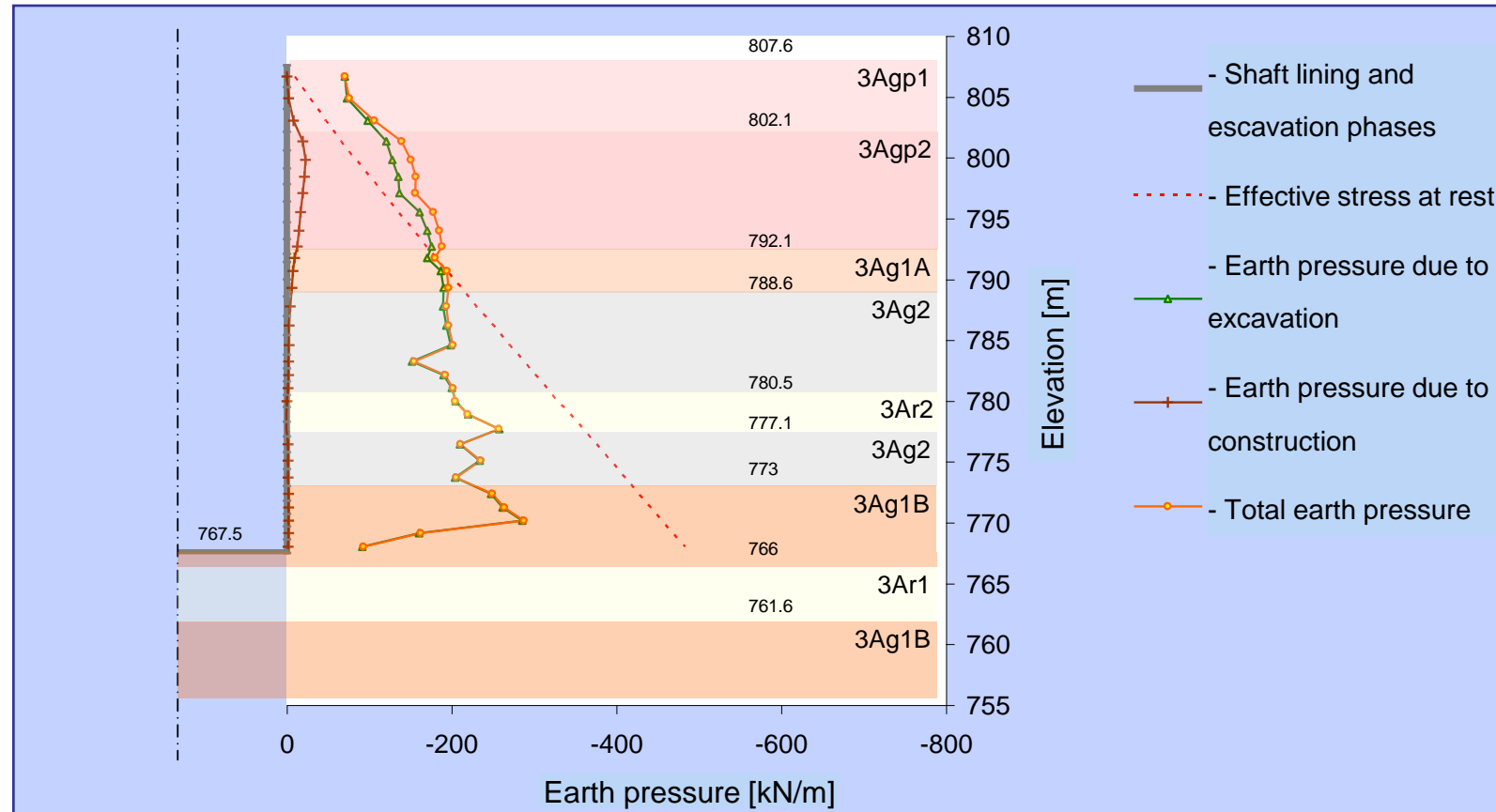
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# Shotcrete Supported Shafts José Eusébio Shaft, São Paulo Line 4



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### José Eusébio Shaft





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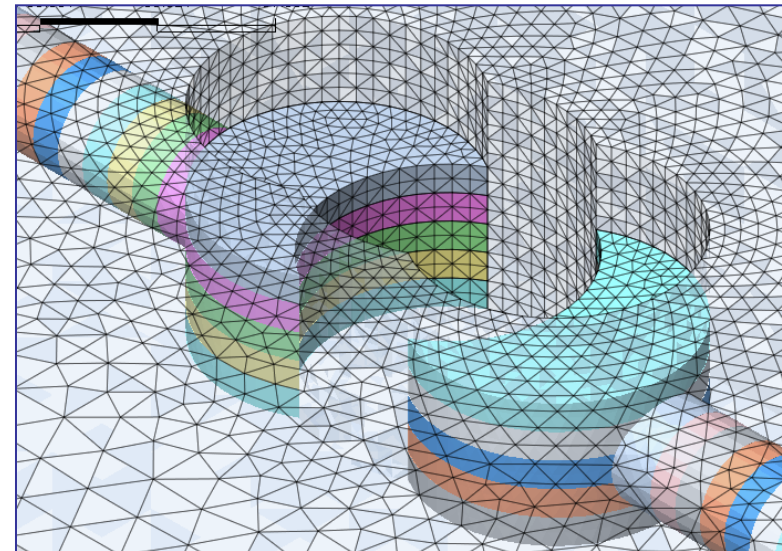
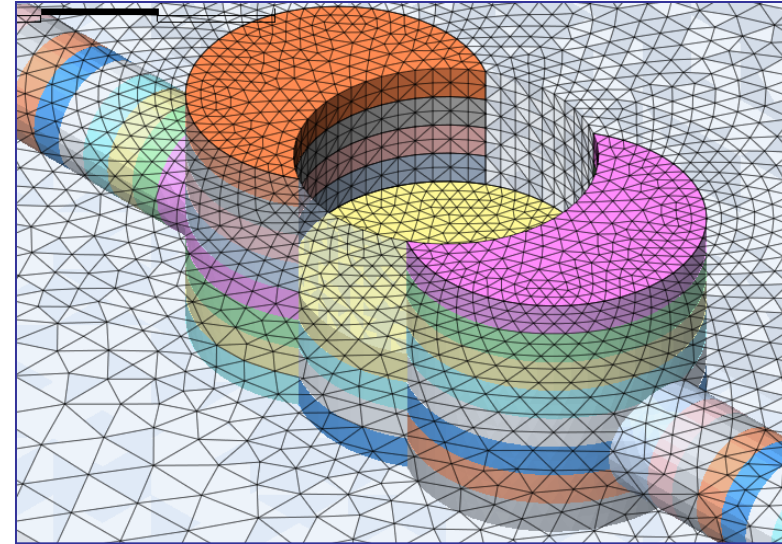
# São Paulo Metro Luz Station Shaft



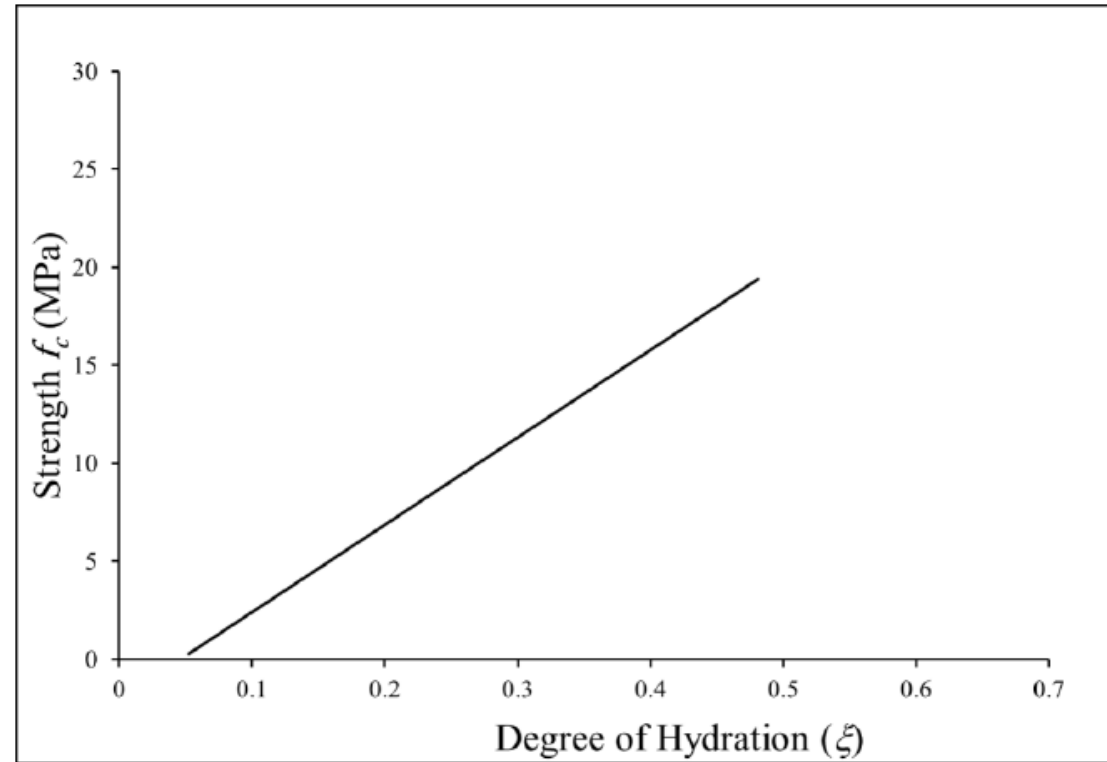


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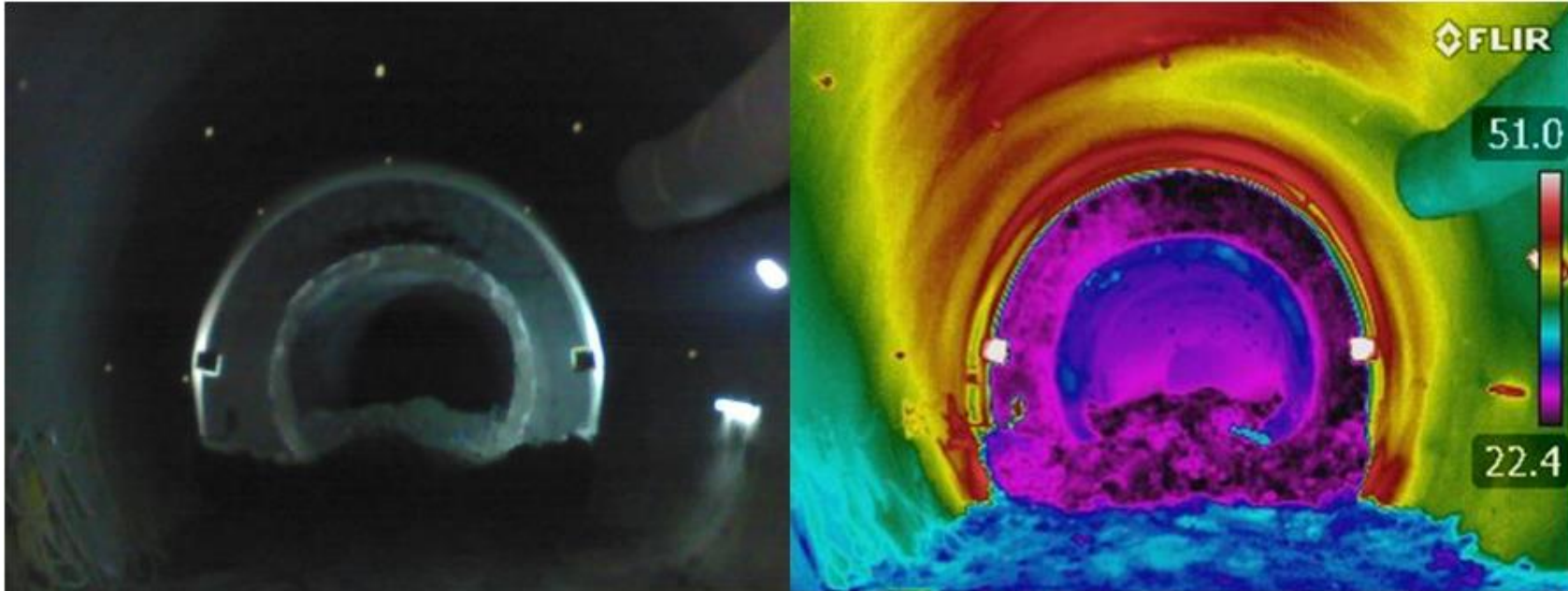
### 3D simulation



# SMUTI™ – evolution of strength with degree of hydration

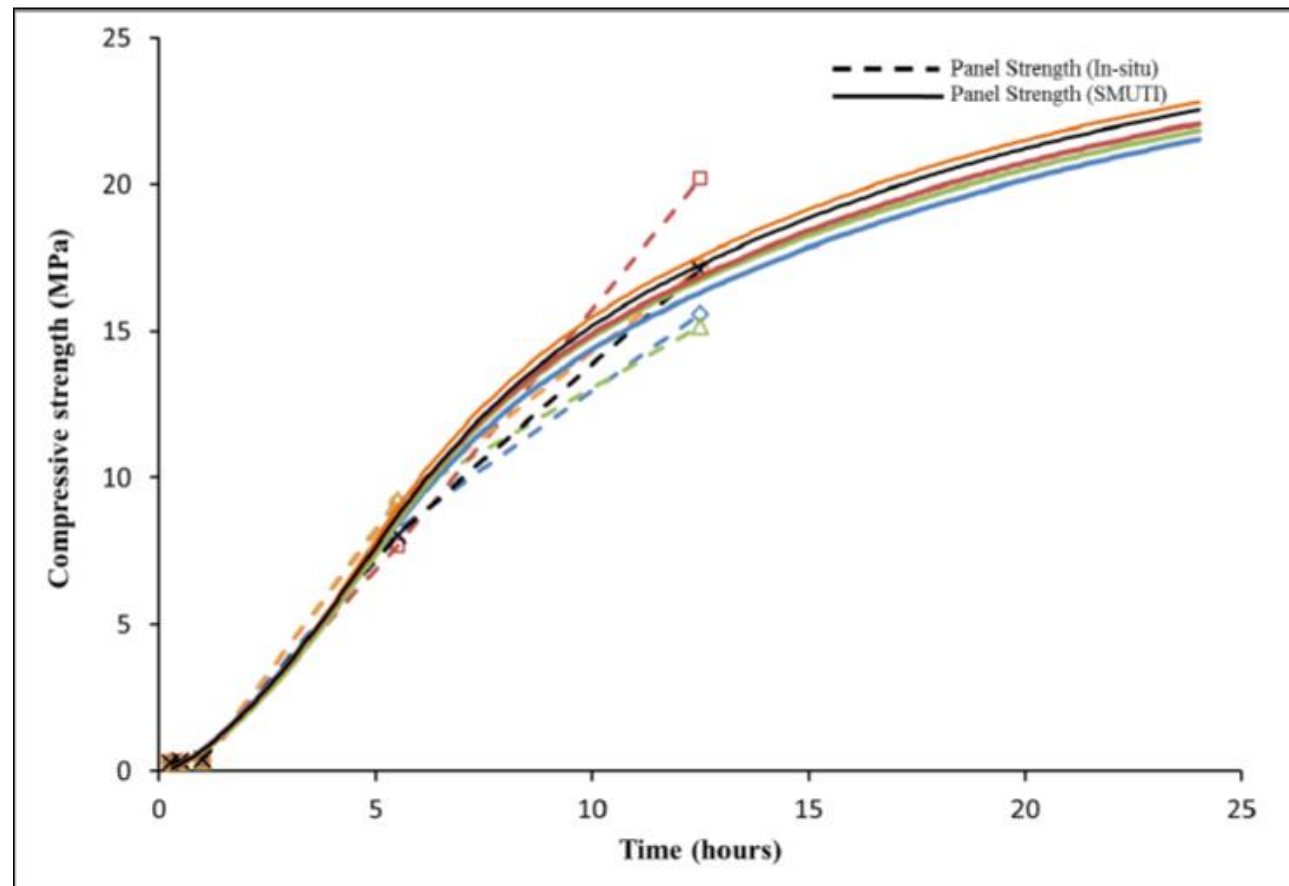


# Thermal scanning





# Measured and evaluated compressive strengths



# Long-term accidents in tunnels

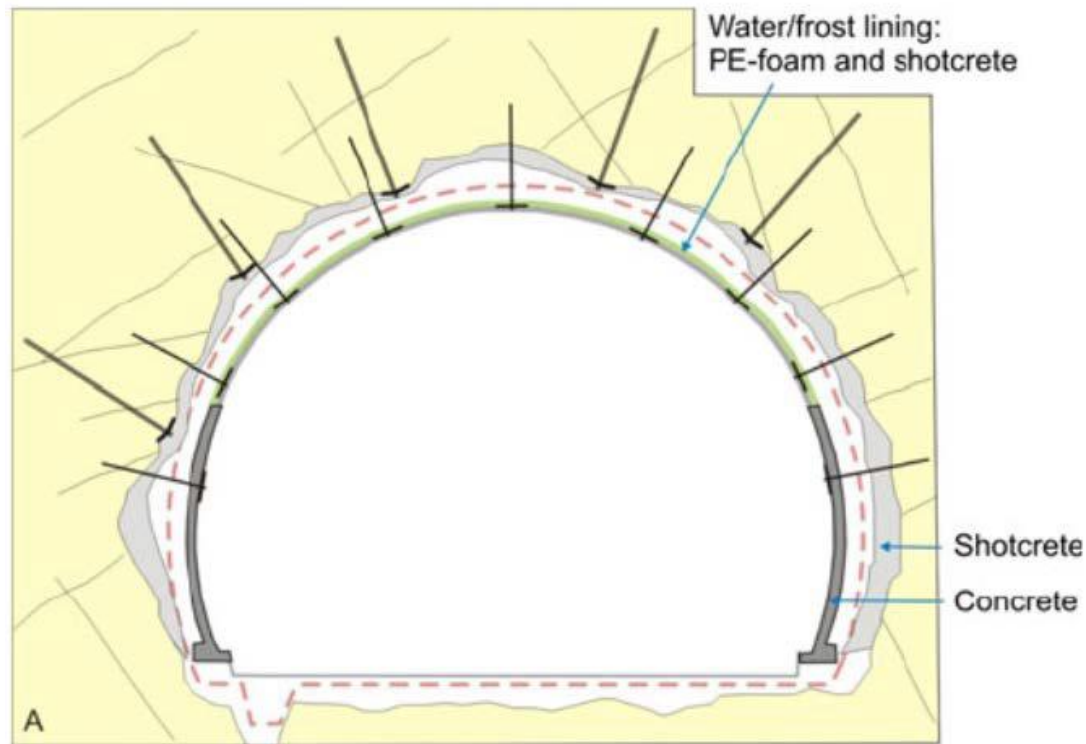
Two examples

# Guandu Tunnel

- Water supply to Rio de Janeiro
  - Constructed in the early 1960s
  - Decrease of water flow
  - Inspection: major collapse in fault zone
  - Swelling clay
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- Similar problems in tunnels of the Cantareira water supply system, São Paulo
  - Contributions by Selmer-Olsen

# Hanekleiv road tunnel, Norway

## Christmas 2006



# Hanekleiv Tunnel

## Mao *et al.* (2015)

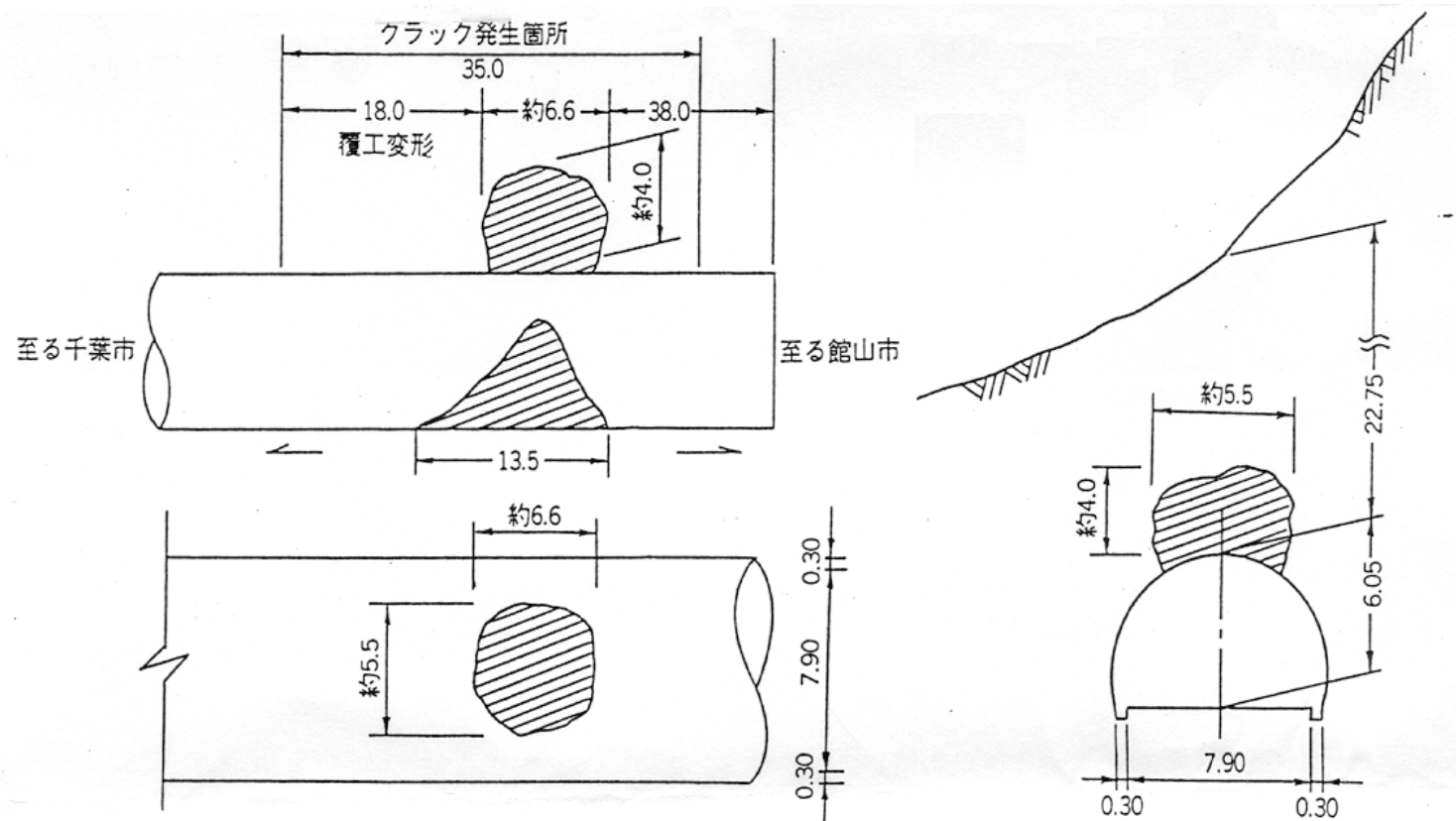
- Collapse 10 years after completion
- Fault zone in syenite
- $Q = 0.01 - 0.02$  (extremely poor)
- Fault gouge 5-10 cm thick, low content of swelling clay

# Hanekleiv Tunnel

## Mao *et al.* (2015)

- 15 cm of steel fiber reinforced sprayed concrete
- Cracks during construction
- Additional 10 cm sprayed concrete before cladding
- Collapse: 250 m<sup>3</sup>
- One large block (several tons); mainly small blocks, gravel and fragments of altered syenite
- Conclusion: insufficient support

# Collapse Koyamano Road Tunnel, Japan Inokuma (1990)

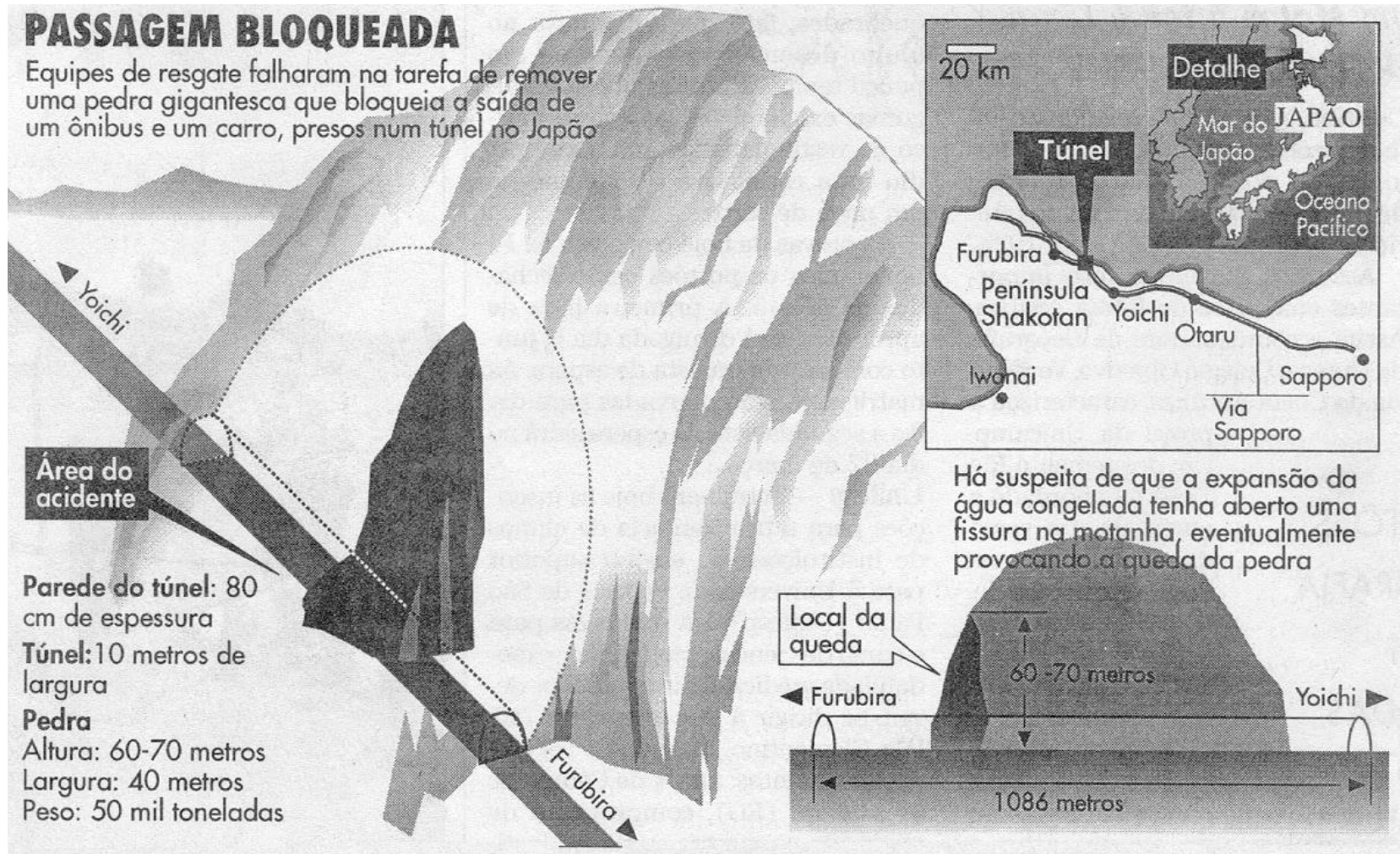


**Construção: Março 1967 (Conclusão)**

**Acidente : 04/02/1990**

## PASSAGEM BLOQUEADA

Equipes de resgate falharam na tarefa de remover uma pedra gigantesca que bloqueia a saída de um ônibus e um carro, presos num túnel no Japão





**Tunnel dimensions:    B = 8,50m    H = 6,05m**

**Overburden:                    20m**

**Lining:                            30cm Concrete**

**Daily traffic:                15.700 Vehic/Day**

**Ground mass:                Sandy silt**

**Warning:                        Cracks and water one day before**

**Probable cause:            Seepage, carrying solids**  
**Voids:                            Load increase**

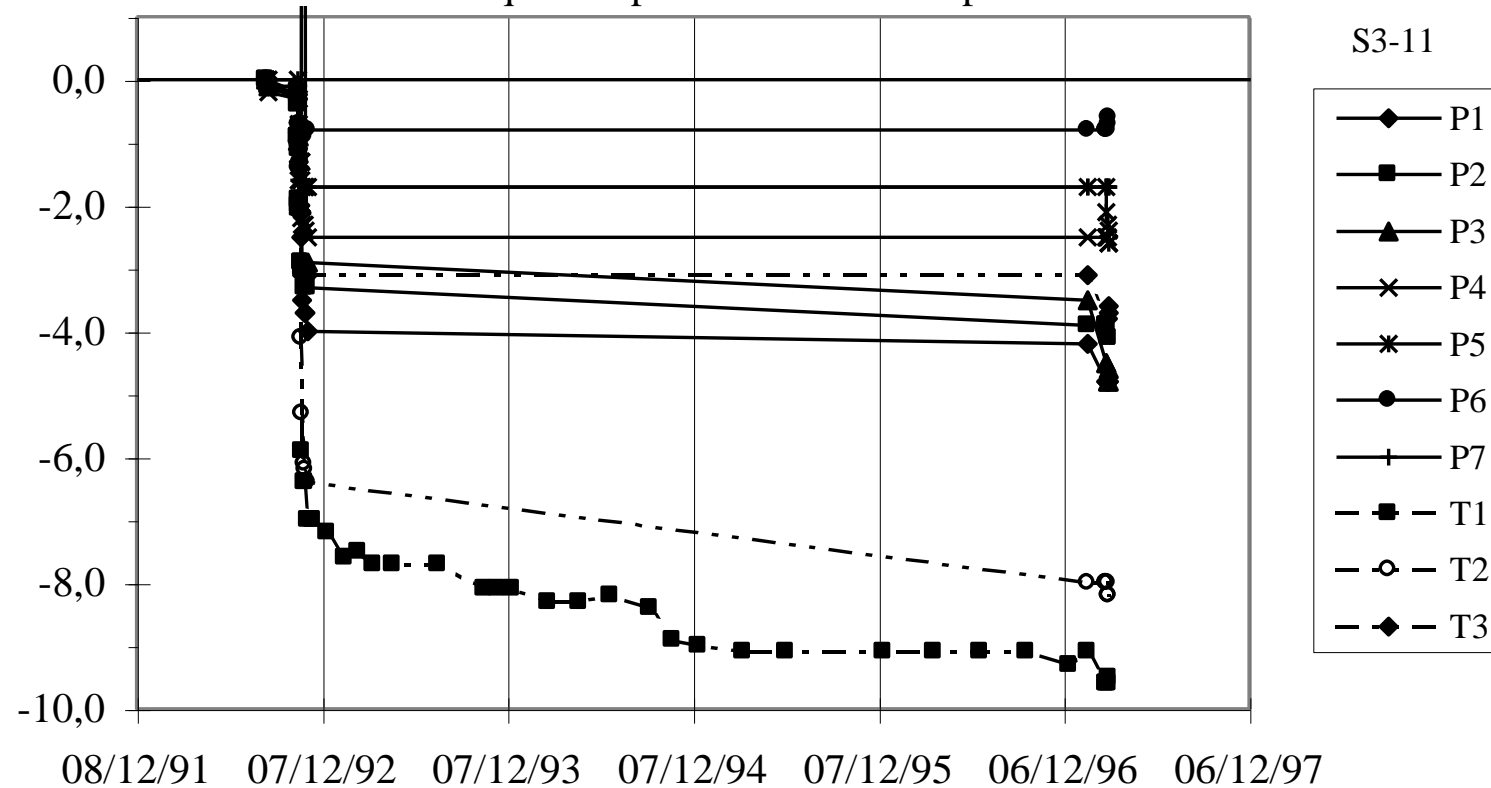
# Long term monitoring of tunnels

Examples of tunnels in Tertiary stiff clays and sands

## Placas e Tassômetros - S3-11

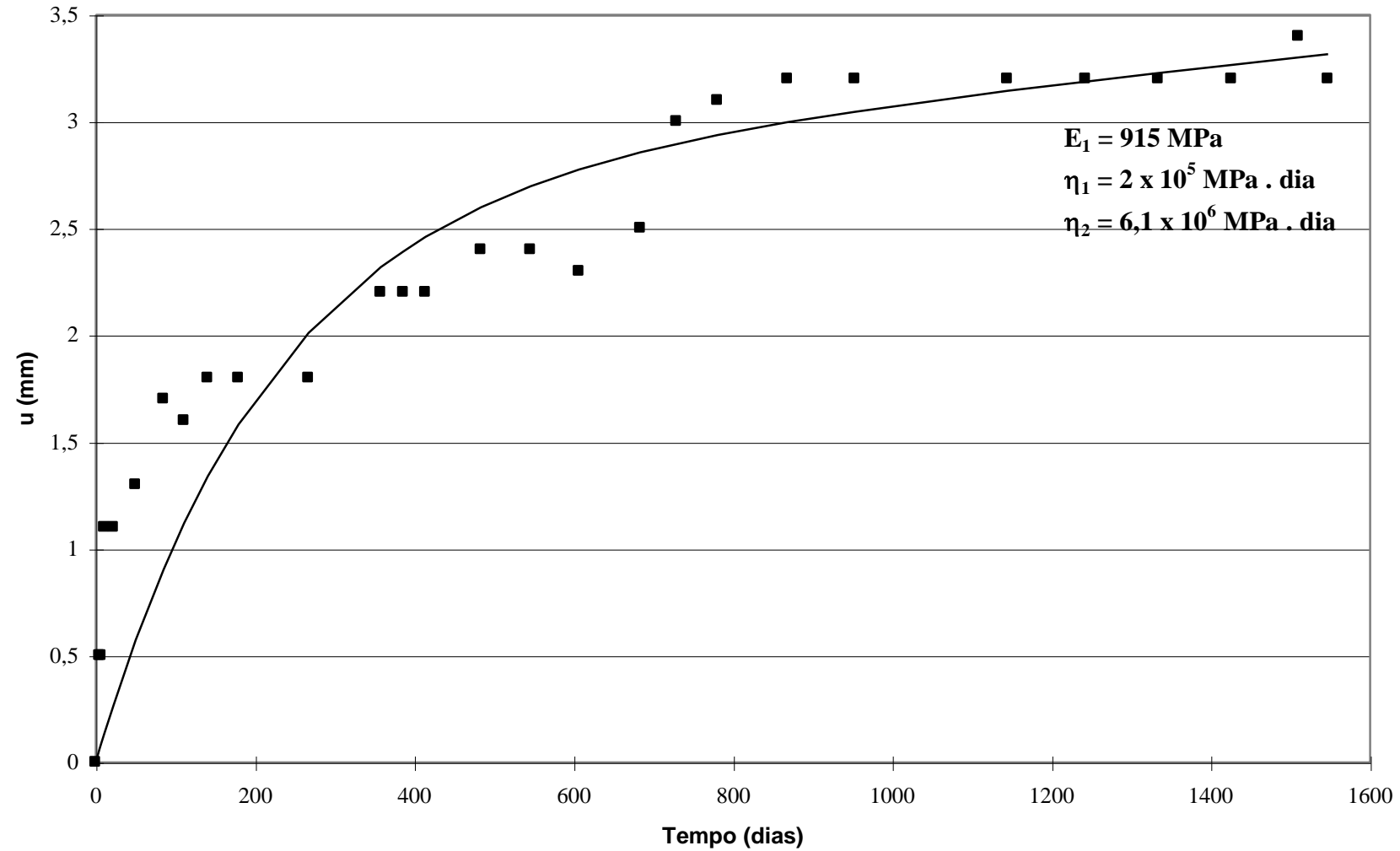
EIXO: Jac-Gau    PROGRESSIVA: 784,2m

Recalques de placa/tassom x Tempo

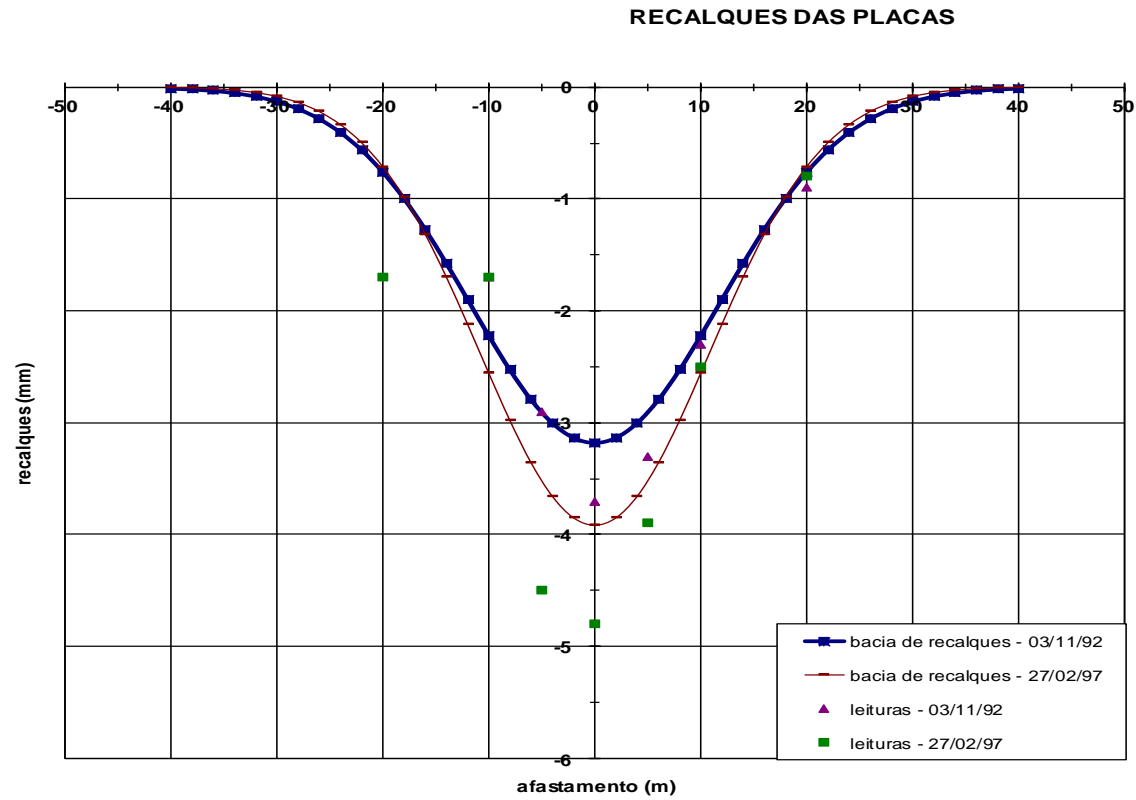


**Settlements along 4.5 years**  
**Jaciporã Tunnel, Line 2, São Paulo Metro**

### Tassômetro T1 - Seção S3-11

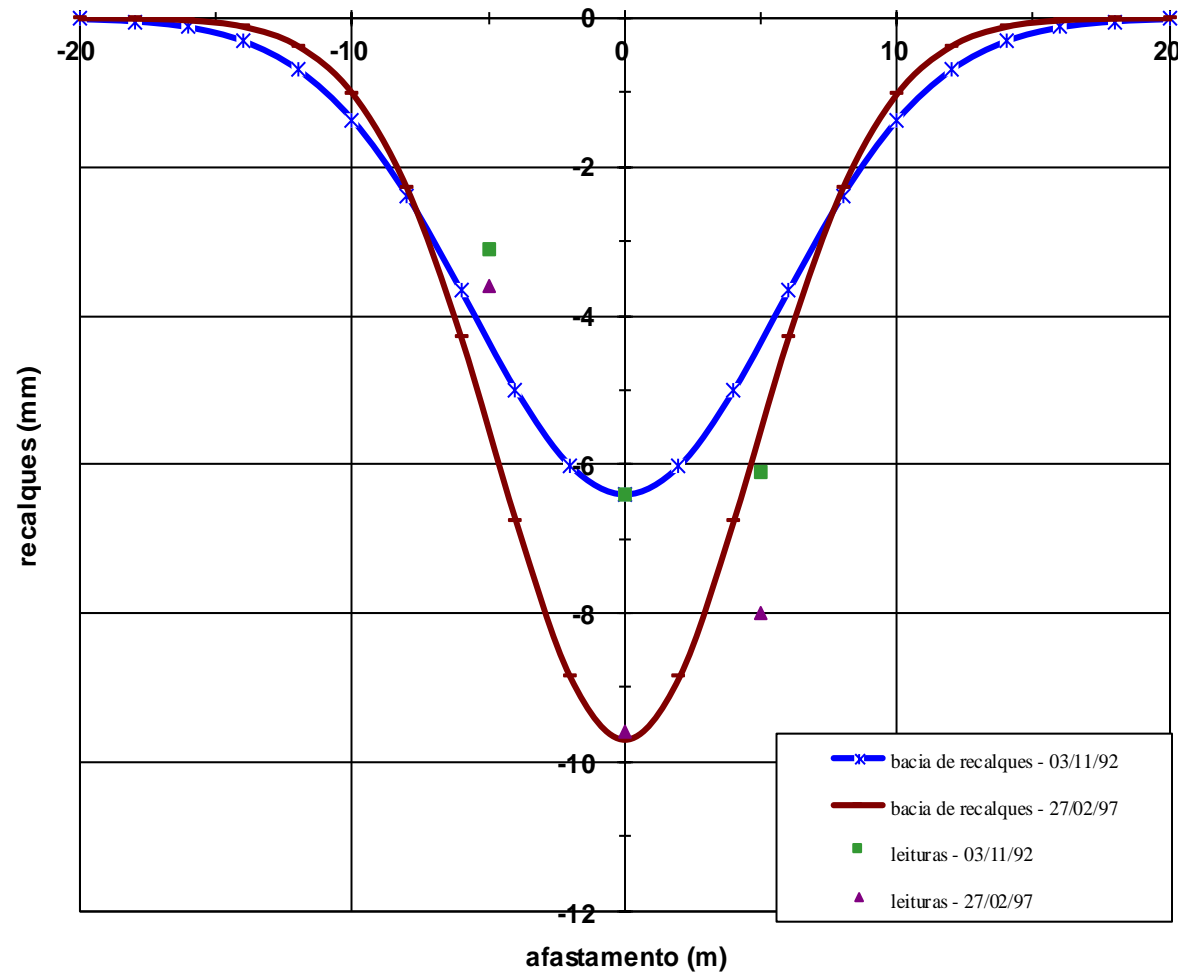


## Curve fitting Burger's viscoelastic model



**Evolution of surface settlement trough**

## RECALQUES DOS TASSÔMETROS



# Evolution of deep settlement trough



# Final remarks

- Emissions during tunnel construction and operations are not large.
- Concrete represents a large amount
- Sprayed concrete lining largely reduces emissions (and cost)
- Emissions and vehicle operational cost due to tunnels is remarkable
- Long-term accidents are rare; need for low-cost and feasible monitoring

*Thank you!*