| UTC Project Information   |   |
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| Project Title   | MPC-616 – Descriptive and Predictive Deep Learning Analytical Tools<br>for Enhanced Bridge Management: Bridge Subtyping and Bridge<br>Deterioration Forecasting   |
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| Brief Description of Research<br>Project                                      | Several U.S. Acts mandate the government to perform regular bridge<br>inspections in order to assure health of the national bridge network.<br>These inspections have been conducted since the 1970s and have<br>generated valuable historic databases of bridge data based in local and<br>state governmental agencies across the nation. While these agencies<br>currently use the inspection data to maintain bridges and prevent failure,<br>we believe the inspection databases are heavily underutilized. In<br>particular, with the advent of machine learning and data mining<br>methods, we envision data-driven solutions that can derive much more<br>valued hidden knowledge from these databases that can be utilized to<br>significantly enhance bridge management. While in the past various<br>data-driven deterioration models are proposed in the literature to model<br>bridge deterioration, these models either suffer from low accuracy or are<br>too complex to be applicable. Moreover, they only address the problem<br>of deterioration forecasting. Recently deep learning is shown to |

|   | significantly outperform other analytical modeling methodologies in a<br>variety of application domains. In this study, we propose to develop two<br>analytical tools based on deep learning models for enhanced bridge<br>management. Our proposed tools will address the problems of bridge<br>subtyping (for descriptive analysis of inspection data to effectively<br>categorize bridges to groups based on their performance characteristics<br>and behavioral trends), bridge deterioration forecasting (for predictive<br>analysis of the bridge data to accurately identify quantitative descriptors<br>for the structure deterioration state (e.g., condition ratings) as well as<br>any possible anomalies in the deterioration pattern of the bridge<br>structure), and bridge anomaly detection. |
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| Describe Implementation of<br>Research Outcomes (or why not<br>implemented) |  |
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| Impacts/Benefits of<br>Implementation<br>(actual, not anticipated)          |  |
| Web Links<br>• Reports<br>• Project Website                                 |  |