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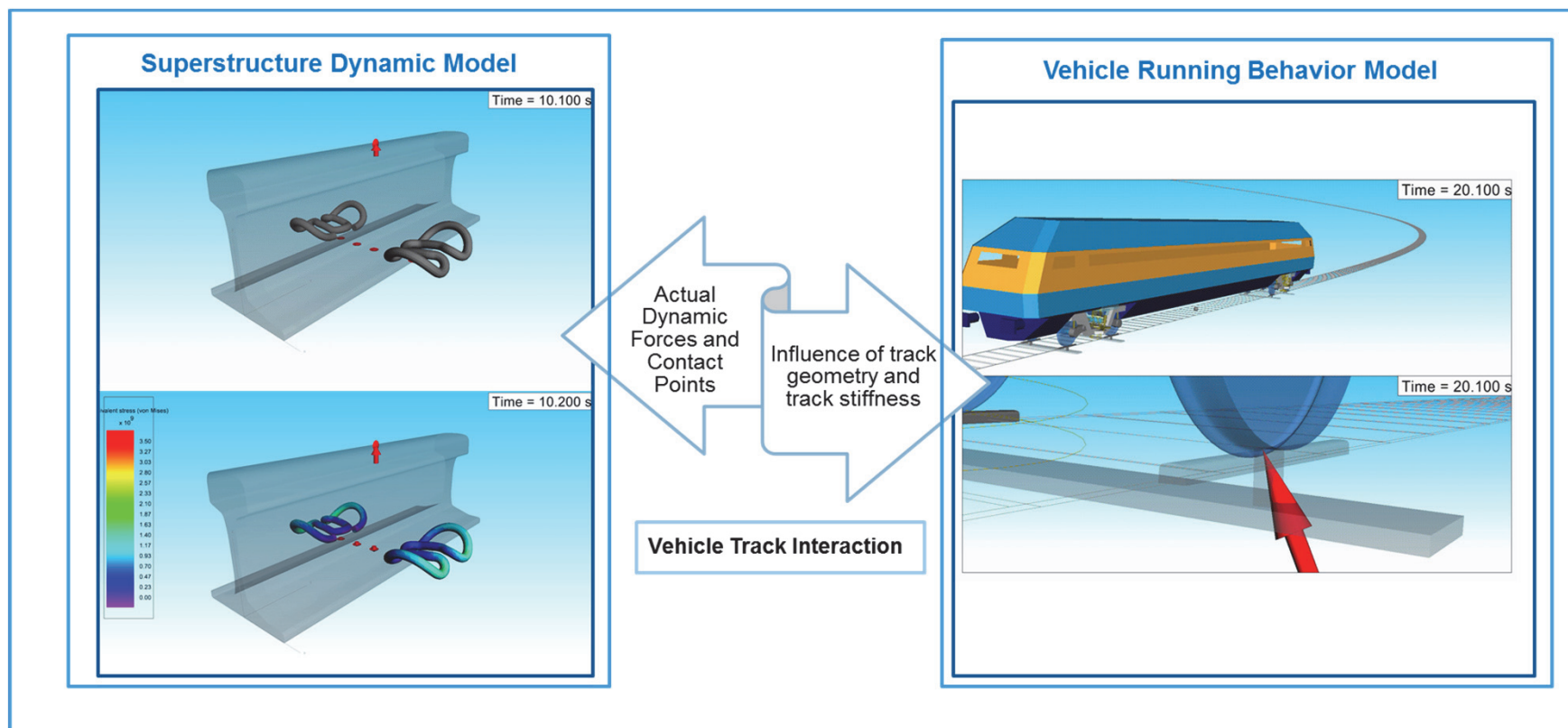
### **S2R-0C-IP3-01-2020: Next Generation Track Transition Zones**

**Track stiffness transition design using hybrid testing strategies  
(Virtual and lab/in-situ testing; Enhanced track structure  
monitoring based on train borne or/and track borne data)**

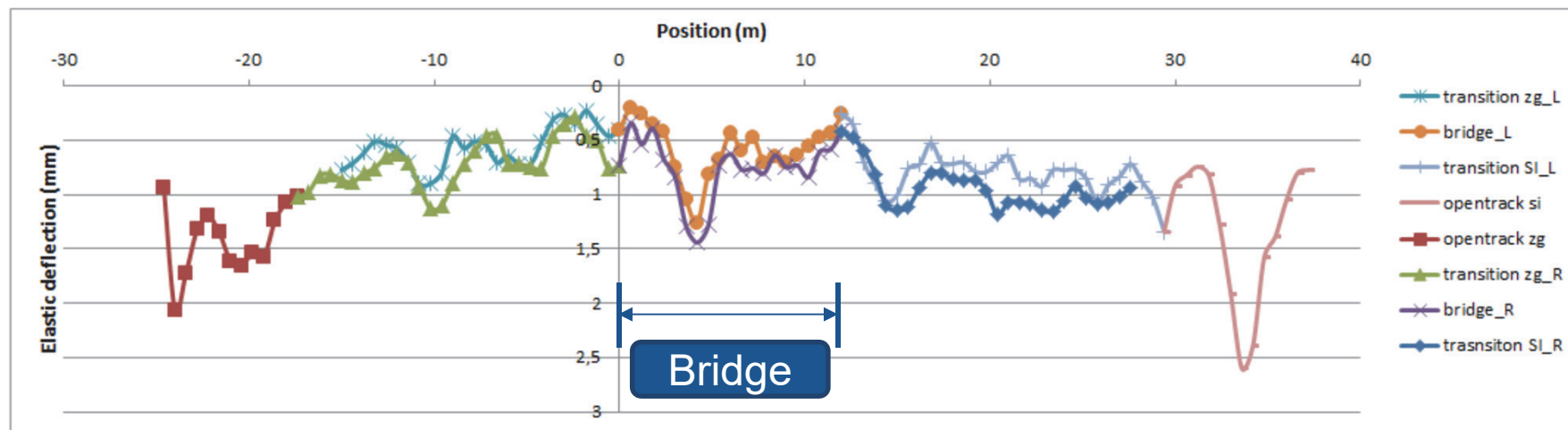
#### **Partners:**

- **Infrastructure managers (integration of track structure monitoring; train borne vs. track borne)**
- **Tracksystem, subsystem and components suppliers**

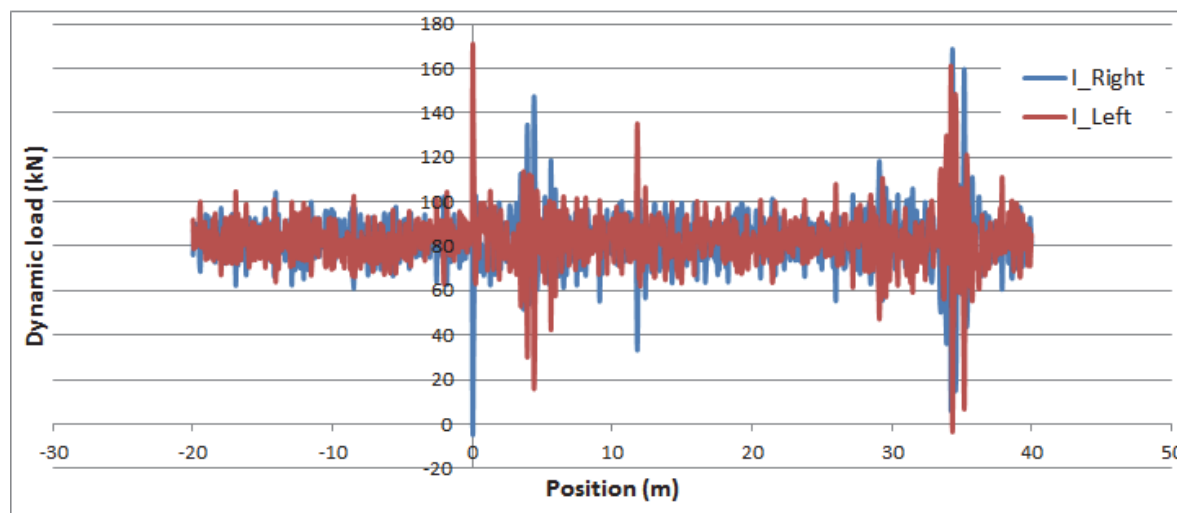
# Analysis and evaluation of local track geometry and stiffness discontinuities ( e.g. Transitions)



## Track stiffness variation along discontinuities, Case study Bridge - Transitions



## Dynamic wheel load simulation(MBS)



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