# INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON SEISMIC RETROFIT OF UNREINFORCED MASONRY CHURCHES OF THE PHILIPPINES National Museum Auditorium, Manila, Philippines 14 January 2016

## **Overview: Seismic Retrofit**

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## What I am going to talk about today

- Risk
   preparedness
   and limiting
   vulnerabilities
- General Heritage Conservation Guidelines



 Some retrofit ideas

## **Risk Preparedness and Limiting Vulnerabilities**



Hazard – the danger of injury or harm. Hazards generally cannot be controlled.



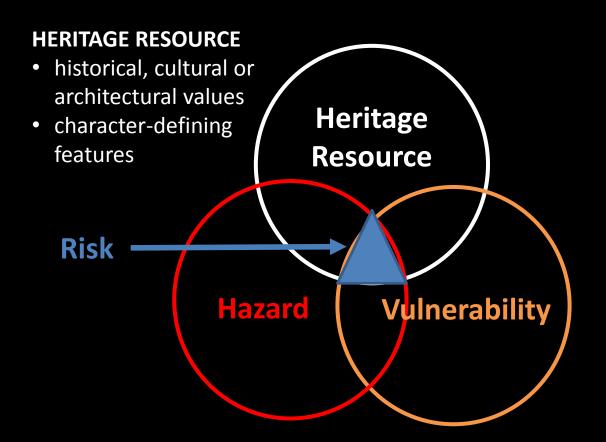
**Vulnerability** susceptibility or exposure of a community to the hazard. The inherent weakness due to its location, condition or specific characteristics. Vulnerabilities CAN be mitigated.



Risk – A choice for potential loss which could occur to a community due to a future hazard event. Risk can be reduced by addressing vulnerabilities.



## **How these terms interconnect**



#### **HAZARD**

- meteorological
- geological
- biological
- human-induced
- climate change

#### **VULNERABILITY**

- physical
- environmental
- social
- economic

## **Vulnerabilities – Poor or inadequate maintenance.**

Seismic, wind or flood events instantly bring out the weaknesses in building structures.





## **Vulnerabilities – Inappropriate repairs and additions**





## **Vulnerabilities – loss of traditional knowledge**









## Vulnerabilities – the engineer's general tendency of maximizing performance levels

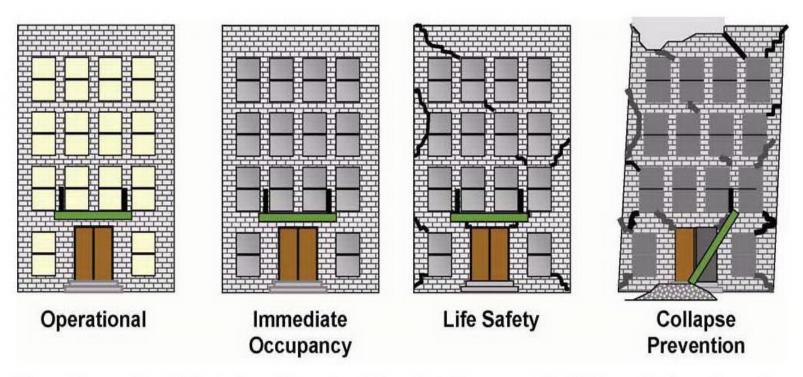


Figure 4-3 Graphic illustration of Operational, Immediate Occupancy, Life-Safety, and Collapse Prevention Performance Levels. (Courtesy of R. Hamburger)

## **Disaster Risk Management Cycle**



## Disaster response

- Search and Rescue
- Restore basic services
- Store artifacts
- Emergency stabilization

### After the disaster

- Damage assessments
- Treatments
  - Repairs
  - Rehabilitation
  - Restoration
  - retrofitting

### Before the next one

- Risk assessments
- Risk mitigation
- MAINTENANCE
- Emergency preparedness

# General Heritage Conservation Guidelines

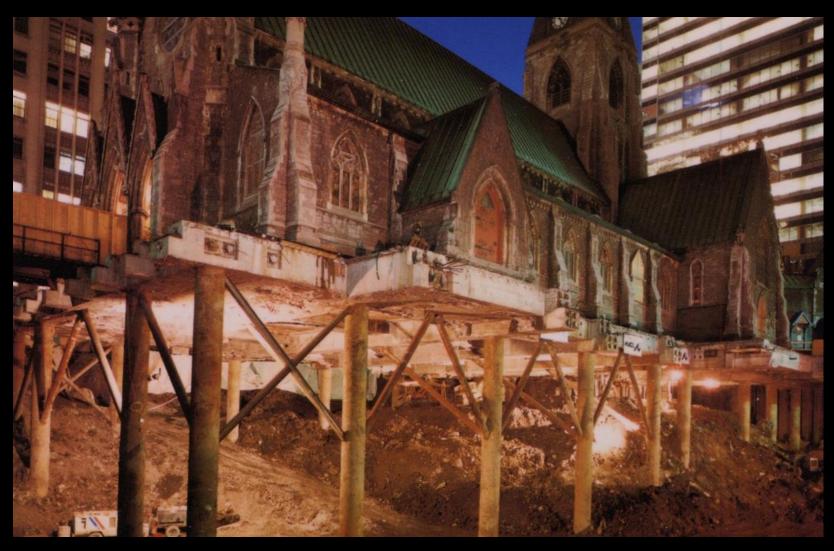


"Historic Buildings should set their own standards rather than be made to comply with current standards that have been established for contemporary construction."

ISCARSAH Principle: Repair should address root causes rather than symptoms.



## ISCARSAH Principle: No repair should be undertaken without demonstrating that it is necessary.



ISCARSAH Principle: Where possible, any repairs adopted should be "reversible" so that they can be removed and replaced with more suitable measures when new knowledge is acquired. Where they are not completely reversible, interventions should not limit further interventions.



ISCARSAH Principle: Imperfections and alterations, when they have become part of the history of the structure, should be maintained so far so they do not compromise the safety requirements.



# US National Park Service Preservation Brief 41 - The Seismic Retrofit of Historic Buildings: Keeping Preservation in the Forefront

- Historic materials should be preserved and retained to the greatest extent possible;
- New seismic retrofit systems, whether hidden or exposed, should respect the character and integrity of the historic building and be visually compatible;
- Seismic work should be "reversible" to the greatest extent possible to allow removal for future use of improved systems and traditional repair of remaining historic materials.

## Some (very schematic) Retrofit Ideas for the Churches in Bohol



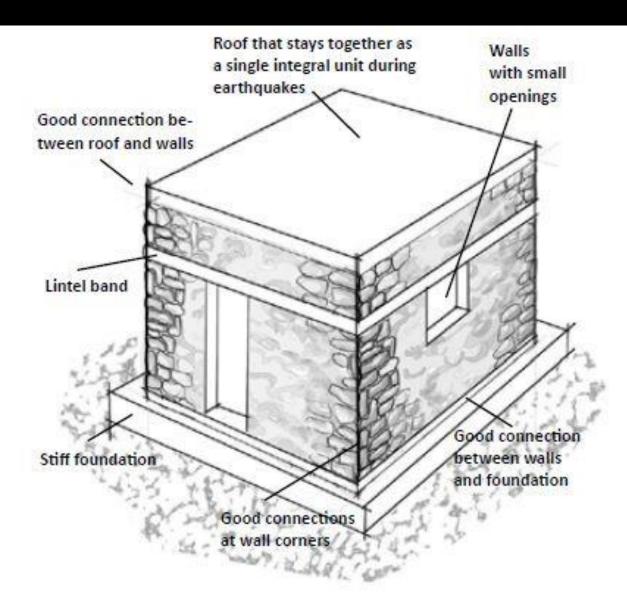
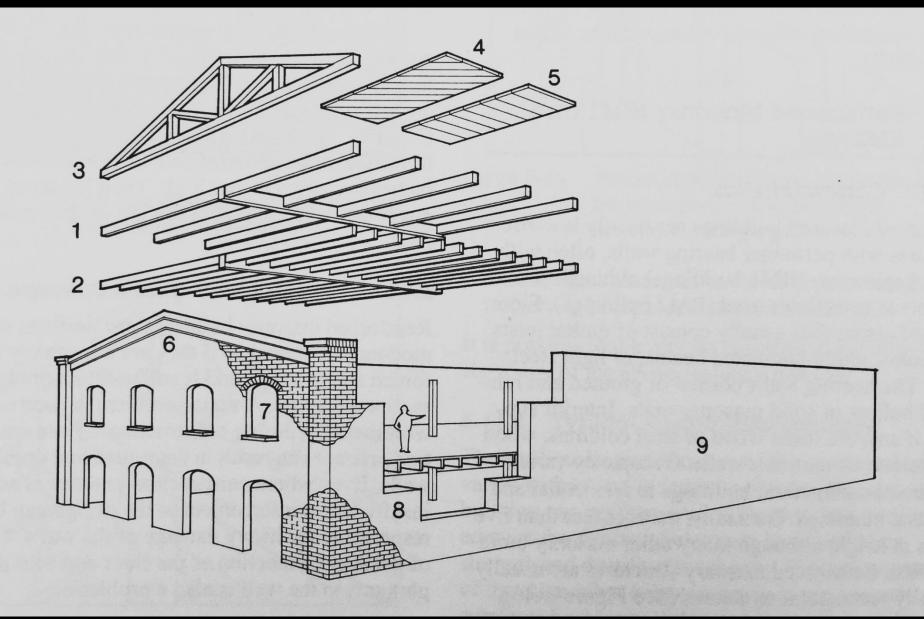


Figure 3.6 Key requirements for ensuring box action in a stone masonry building (adapted from: Murty 2005)



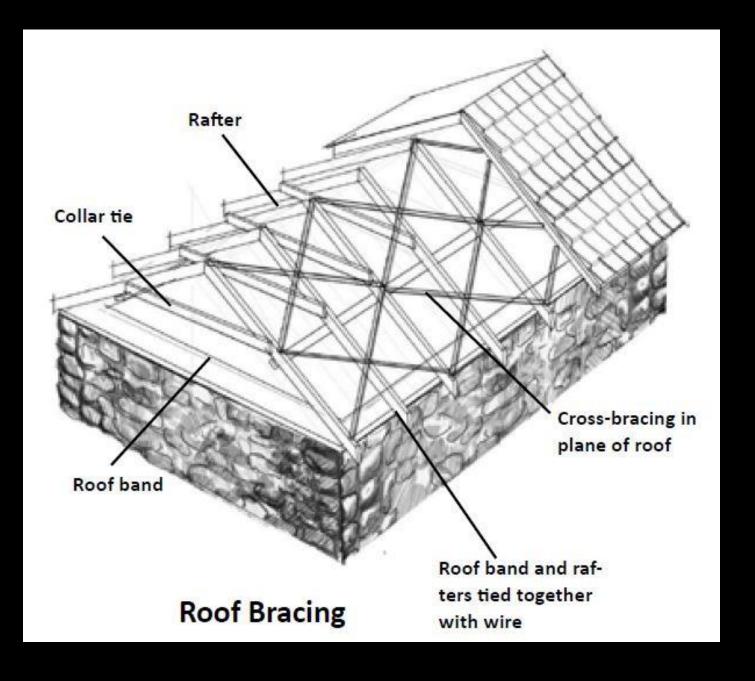


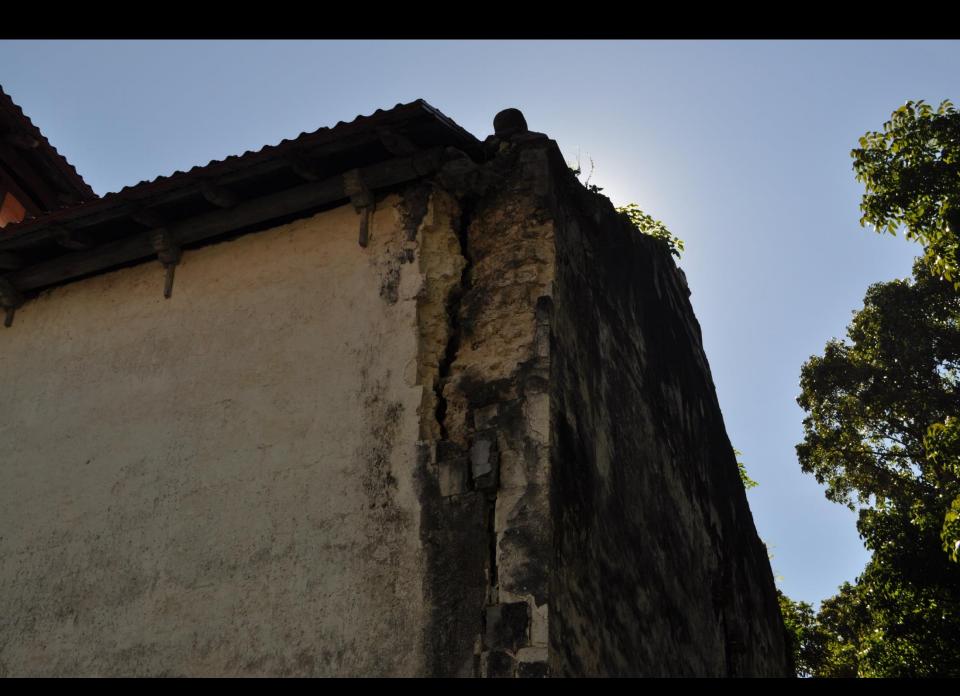












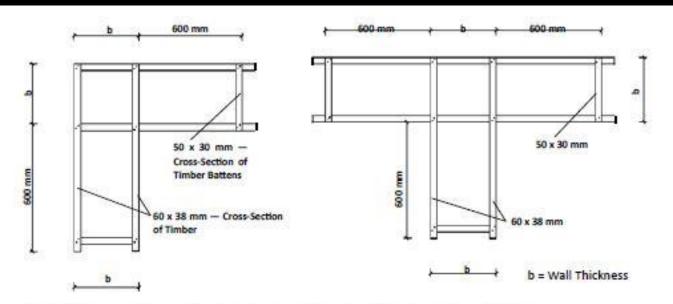


Figure 3.32 Stitches made from wood dowels at wall corners and intersections (adapted from: Bothara et al. 2002)

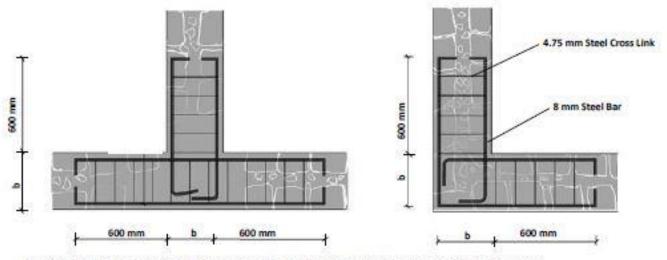


Figure 3.33 Wall stitches made from reinforced concrete with steel reinforcement (adapted from: Bothers et al. 2002)

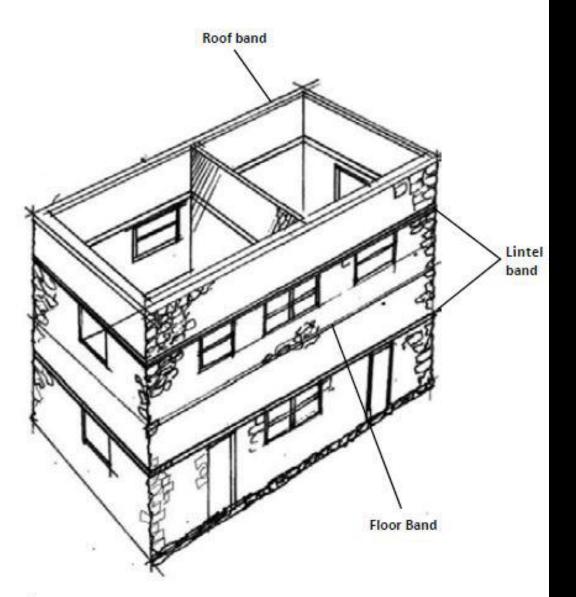


Figure 3.9 Locations of seismic bands in a stone masonry building (roof omitted for clarity) (adapted from: UNCRD 2003)







