Factors Influencing the Usage of Footbridges Along Epifanio de los Santos Avenue (EDSA)

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## Background

- With the excessive amount of vehicles that traverse EDSA everyday, pedestrian utilities has been compromised.
- Footbridges serves as a dual purpose in the Philippines.
- The increasing problem of deaths and accidents because of jaywalking proves that a number of pedestrians do not use the footbridges







# Background







## Map of EDSA Footbridges



## Main Objective



## To determine the factors that greatly influence the demand for footbridges

# **Specific Objectives**

- To obtain and compare the physical characteristics of footbridges along EDSA.
- To measure the current peak hour demand of footbridges along EDSA.
- To determine and compare the importance of each sub-factor influencing the use of footbridges based on the preferences of the pedestrians.
- To recommend further study regarding footbridges in Metro Manila.

## Hypothesis

 The location of the footbridges, with respect to nearby land use activities and establishments, is the predominant factor the determines the demand for footbridges.





- 1. Would analyze the usage of chosen footbridges.
- 2. Consider the preferences of pedestrians while crossing
- 3. One of the first footbridge studies in the Philippines





- 1. 48 pedestrian footbridge including 11 footbridges connected to the MRT.
- 2. 4 Factors: Safety, Security, Comfort and Convenience

3. All survey respondent are of Filipino.

## Methodology



#### Inventory

physical characteristics of footbridges along **EDSA** 



### Count

peak hour volume



Survey

questionnaires



#### **Data Analysis**

Regression



#### **Data Analysis** Level of Service

random sampling

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#### **Data Processing**

#### **Data Analysis**

Analytical Hierarchical Process

**Data Analysis** 

Likert Scale



# Material Used

Steel (38%) Concrete (63%)

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#### Connection to Rail



LRT/MRT (23%) Separated (77%)

#### **Material Used**

#### **Connection to Rail**

## Inventory



#### **Ramp Facilities**

#### **Weather Protection**

## Inventory

#### No. of Jaywalkers



#### Footbridge Elevation



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#### **Footbridge Elevation**

## Inventory

#### Width of Footbridge



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## Survey Results: SM Skybridge



#### Age

#### **Monthly Income**

# Survey Results: SM Skybridge

#### Gender

#### Employment



Male (60%) E Female (40%)

Gender



#### Employment

## Survey Results: SM Skybridge



#### **Destination**

# Level of Service Analysis

Footbridge	Effective Width (m)	Pedestrian Flow (ped/min/ft)	Level of Service Category
MCU	1.39	12.67	D
Skybridge	1.49	22.19	E
Quezon Avenue	1.44	17.01	E
Taft-Pasay	1.19	19.42	E

## **Analytical Hierarchical Process**



49% of responses are compatible with the design of <u>Magallanes Footbridge</u>

# 55% of respondents say that <u>Safety</u> is their first priority



- Law Enforcement: 3.647
- Structural Safety: 4.039
- Barriers: 4.149



# Security

- Lighting: 4.178
- Street Activity: 3.329
- No. of companions: 3.378
- Security Guards: 3.929



# Comfort

- Walkway Width: 3.639
- Aesthetics: 2.800
- Cleanliness: 3.561
- Absence of Vendors: 3.971



## Convenience

- No. of Steps: 3.594
- Footbridge Elevation: 3.588
- Escalators/Elevators: 3.584
- Walking Distances: 3.878
- PWD Facilities: 3.990



## **Analytical Hierarchical Process**

Factors	AHP	Likert
Safety	55%	3.960
Security	29%	3.812
Comfort	5%	3.618
Convenience	11%	3.727

## **Regression Analysis**

	PHV	Commercial	Residential	Institutional	Transportation	Work
Taft-Pasay	4325	3	5	1	5	4
Megamall	1934	4	2	2	3	2
MCU	2436	1	2	2	4	3
Magallanes	2035	4	1	2	5	2
EDSA-Ayala	1634	6	3	0	7	0
Ortigas	2257	3	2	2	2	2
EDSA-	664	3	2	0	0	0
MacArthur	1523	7	0	0	2	1
Quezon	3767	5	0	2	1	4
Skybridge	5223	9	4	2	5	2

Number of pedestrian generators within 1.5-km radius from the centre of the footbridge.

## **Regression Analysis**

Variables (x)	P-value	
(1) Commercial	0.004	
(2) Residential	0.017	
(3) Institutional	0.289	
(4) Transportation	0.510	
(5) Work	0.005	
$y = 351.51 x_1 + 407.10 x_2 + 229.83 x_3 - 55.45 x_4 + 703.35 x_5 - 1378.83$		
$r^2 = 0.97$		



Variables (x)	P-value
(1) Commercial	0.001
(2) Residential	0.005
(5) Work	0.001

$$y = -1309.753 + 341.14 x_1 + 352.65 x_2 + 806.93 x_5$$
$$r^2 = 0.95$$

## **Conclusion: Main Pedestrian Generator**

- Establishments that are significant in the change of PHV: residential, Work and Commercial
- Location with respect to pedestrian generators significant in the change of demand of footbridge
- Footbridge amenities is not a significant determinant of demand.



# Conclusion: Effective Width

- Four footbridges failed considering LOS C as passing
- A standard of 3.3m of effective width will have all overpass at least a LOS C.

Footbridge	Level of Service Category
MCU	D
Skybridge	E
Quezon Avenue	E
Taft-Pasay	Ε

# Conclusion: Design of Footbridge



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## **Ayala Footbridge**

Caters to the preference of 46.12% of respondents

# Conclusion: Design of Footbridge



## **Magallanes Footbridge**

#### **Caters to the preference of 48.57% of respondents**

## Recommendations



Footbridges should be erected in the proximity of commercial, work and residential establishments.



Amenities shall be present to cater to the preferences of the pedestrians.

A minimum effective width of 3.3 meters shall be present to at least have a level of Service C.

## Recommendations



24-hour volume count would be beneficial for usage evaluation

A comparison with at-grade crossings may be done to broaden the aspect of pedestrian decision-making process



A separate data gathering for weekends could be executed in comparison with weekly data.