



Preclosure Seismic Design Methodology and Performance Demonstration

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Purpose

- Discuss staff guidance in draft HLWRS-ISG-01, *Review Methodology for Seismically Initiated Event Sequences*, including analyses for categorization of seismic event sequences
- Discuss staff review perspective on
 - Yucca Mountain site-specific hazard curve and
 - Fragility curves for structures, systems, and components (SSCs), important to safety (ITS)



Background

- DOE Topical Report YMP/TR-003-NP, *Preclosure Seismic Design Methodology for a Geologic Repository at Yucca Mountain*, Revision 2, August 1997
- DOE Topical Report YMP/TR-003-NP, *Preclosure Seismic Design Methodology for a Geologic Repository at Yucca Mountain*, Revision 3, October 2004
- DOE Letter providing summary of the preclosure seismic design methodology, August 25, 2005



Proposed DOE Approach

- DOE's proposed approach for compliance with 10 CFR Part 63 (Topical Report YMP/TR-003-NP, Revision 3, October 2004)
 - Design Bases Earthquakes
 - NUREG-0800 criteria
 - DBGM-1 and DBGM-2
 - Seismic Margin Assessment (SMA) for a Beyond Design Basis Ground Motion (BDBGM)



NRC Actions

- Staff level Interactions at the NRC on-site representative's office to clearly understand the DOE approach
- Staff feedback in January 24, 2006 letter to DOE
- Issuance of a draft HLWRS-ISG-01 for public comment on May 22, 2006



Key Messages

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- Seismic performance of SSCs ITS may be determined using a methodology outlined in the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) Standard ASCE 43-05



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**NRC Interim Staff Guidance,
Draft HLWRS-ISG-01,
*Review Methodology for Seismically
Initiated Event Sequences***

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Part 63 Regulations for Preclosure Safety Analysis (PCSA)

- 10 CFR 63.111(a), 111(b)(1) for Category 1 Event Sequences. Category 1 event sequences are those that are expected to occur one or more times before permanent closure of GROA.
- 10 CFR 63.111(b)(2) for Category 2 Event Sequences. Category 2 event sequences are those other event sequences that have at least one chance in 10,000 of occurring before permanent closure of GROA.



YMGRP sections supplemented

- Section 2.1.1.4.2, *Review Method 2 Categories 1 and 2 Event Sequences*
- Section 2.1.1.4.3, *Acceptance Criterion 2 Categories 1 and 2 Event Sequences are Adequately identified*



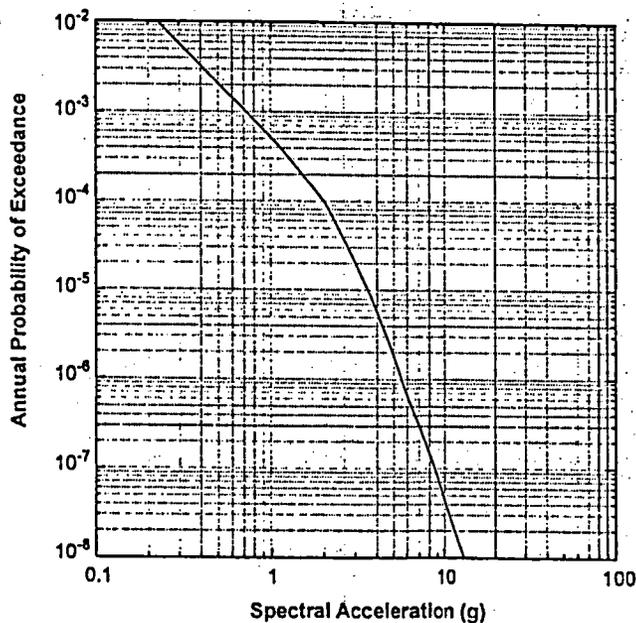
Seismically Initiated Event Sequence

- Seismic hazard curve
- Fragility curve of an SSC ITS
- Probability of failure, P_F , of an SSC ITS can be computed by convolving the hazard curve with the fragility curve (see ASCE 43-05, equation C2-6)

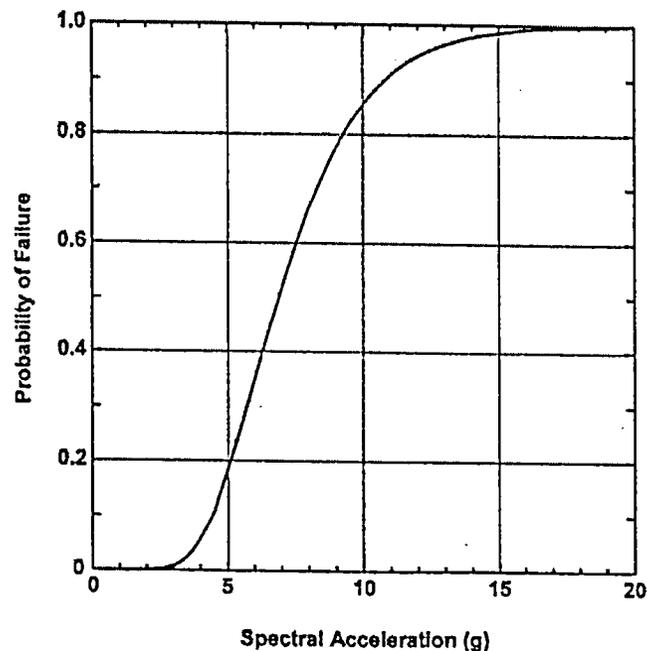


Seismic Hazard and Fragility Curves

Hypothetical Seismic Hazard curve at a specified frequency



Example Seismic Fragility Curve for a specified frequency



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Development of an SSC Fragility Curve

- Fragility curves for an SSC ITS should be developed using transparent technical bases and the failure criteria that are consistent with the SSCs ITS functional requirements at applicable hazard levels
- The log-normal distribution can be assumed to develop the corresponding mean fragility curve, which is expressed in terms of the median capacity level and the logarithmic standard deviation
- The fragility curve for an SSC ITS may be developed using a Monte Carlo analysis, simplified methods outlined in EPRI TR-103959, or other methods that capture appropriately the variability of the capacity



Compliance with Part 63 PSCA

- If P_F is less than 1 in 10,000 during the preclosure period for the evaluated SSC ITS, then the event sequence for the failure of the SSC would be a beyond Category 2 event sequence



Compliance with Part 63 PSCA (contd.)

- If, however, P_F of an individual SSC ITS is greater than or equal to 1 in 10,000 during the preclosure period, DOE may
 - use other SSCs ITS in the event sequence to combine the fragilities, determine the event sequence probability of occurrence, and categorize the event sequence
 - show that the dose consequence to the public at the site boundary is less than the dose limits in 10 CFR 63.111(b)(2)



DOE YM Seismic Hazard

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Purpose

- Discuss YM seismic hazard curves developed by DOE to date
- Provide NRC perspective on the development of the site-specific seismic hazard curves for the preclosure safety analysis



DOE YM Seismic Hazard

- YM PSHA (CRWMS M&O, 1998) provided hazard curves for Point A
- Site response modeling needed to obtain site specific hazard curves for points D, E, and B

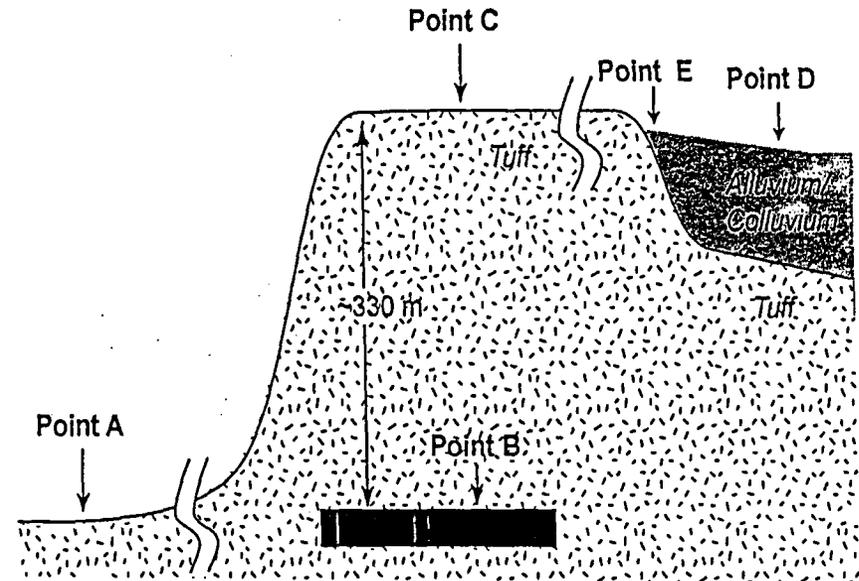


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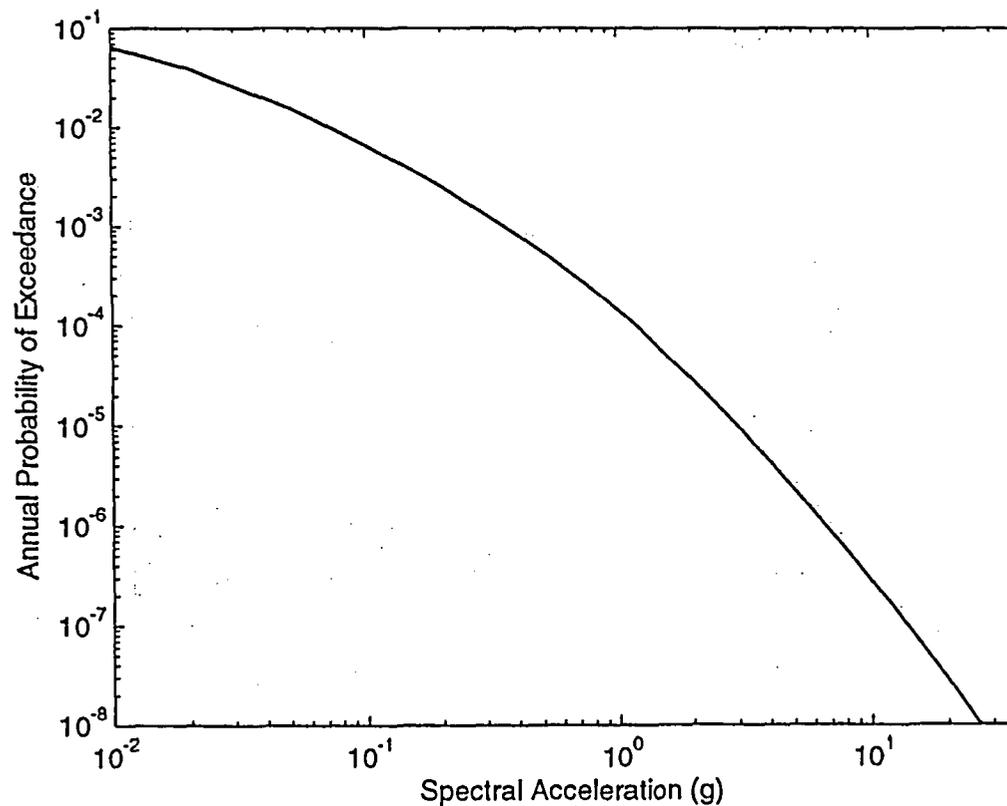
- Point A - Reference rock outcrop used in PSHA
- Point B - Rock site in waste emplacement level
- Point C - Rock site above waste emplacement level
- Point D - Soil site at surface facilities area
- Point E - Shallow soil/rock at surface facilities area

Figure modified from Bechtel SAIC Company, LLC, 2004, MDL-MGR-GS-000003



YM Mean Seismic Hazard Curve (Point A)

10 Hz Horizontal Spectral Acceleration



Ref: Bechtel SAIC Company, LLC,
2004, MDL-MGR-GS-000003



DOE Site Specific Surface Hazard Curves for Preclosure Facilities

- DOE provided site specific response spectra at annual probabilities of exceedance of 10^{-3} , 5×10^{-4} , and 10^{-4} (Points D and E)
 - One-dimensional equivalent-linear modeling (Bechtel SAIC Company, LLC, 2004, MDL-MGR-GS-000003)
 - Site specific geotechnical data (Bechtel SAIC Company, LLC, 2002, ANL-MGR-GE-000003) for a portion of the Surface Facilities Area



NRC Perspective on the Development of Site Specific Hazard Curves

- Site response modeling considerations:
 - 2D and/or 3D site effects
 - Nonlinear site-response model
 - Appropriate site geotechnical data
- Development of an appropriate site specific hazard curve
 - Incorporation of recent site response modeling results
 - Appropriate annual probabilities of exceedance



NRC Perspective on the Development of Site Specific Hazard Curves (contd.)

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Example Event Sequence Analyses

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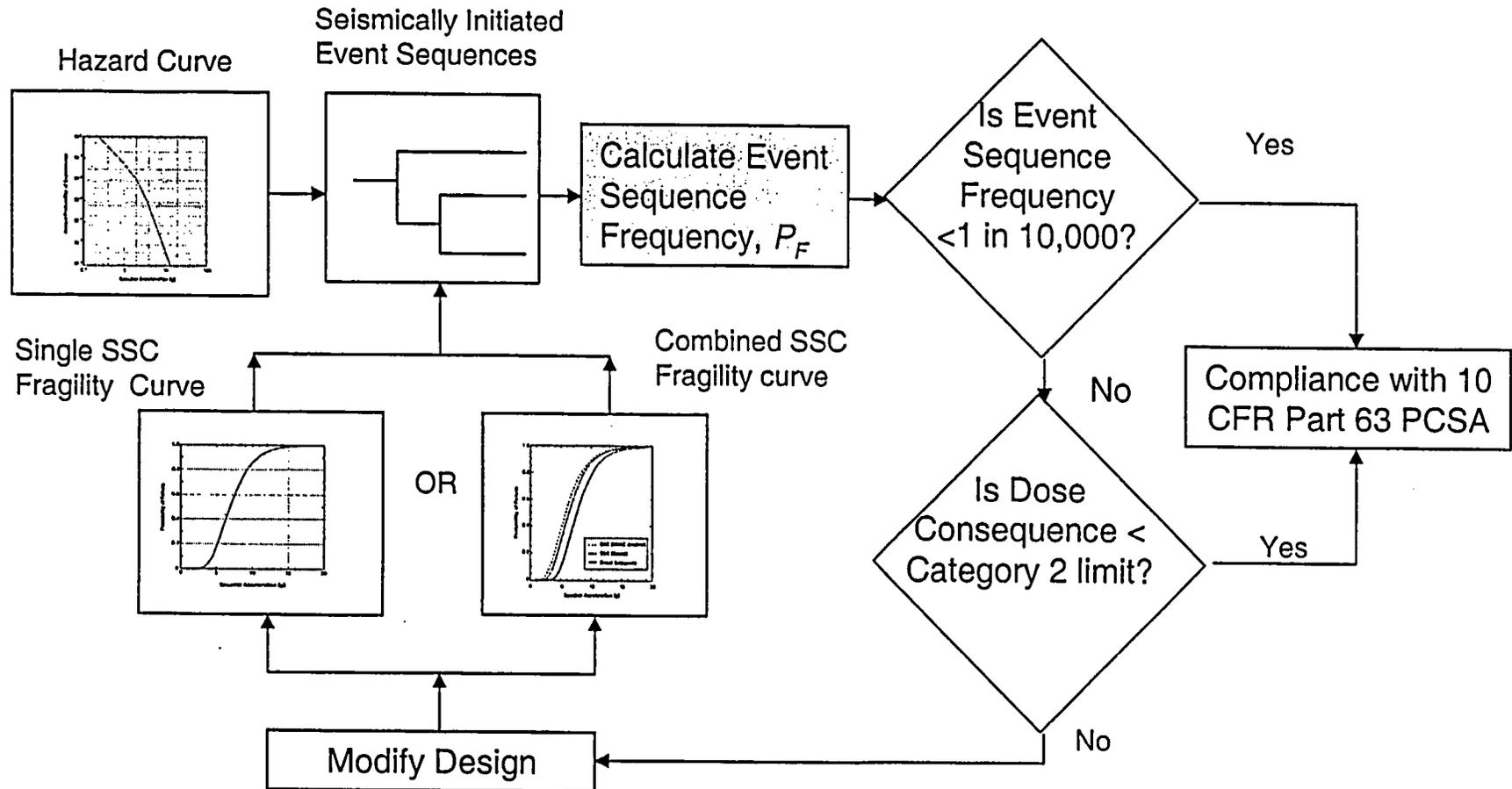


Purpose

- Discuss the application of the example methodology described in draft ISG to determine preclosure compliance for seismically initiated event sequences
- Discuss the example analyses presented in the draft ISG



Overview of Approach for Compliance with Part 63 PCSA





Example Event Sequence Analyses

- Appendices in the draft ISG-01
 - Appendix A: Example Methodology for Computing SSC ITS Probability of Failure during a Seismic Event
 - Appendix B: Example Methodology for Evaluation of Complete Event Sequences



Appendix A - Probability of Failure of SSC ITS

- Seismic Hazard Curve, $H(a)$:
 - Annual frequency of exceedance as a function of ground motion
- Fragility of a Component, $P_F(a)$
 - Assumes log-normal distribution
 - Median capacity, $C_{50\%}$
 - Logarithmic standard deviation, β
- Annual Probability of failure, P_F
 - P_F is obtained by convolving fragility and hazard curves (e.g., see ASCE 43-05, equation C2-6)



Probability of Failure of an SSC

- Seismic performance or failure probability of an SSC, P_F , is given by

$$P_F = - \int_0^{\infty} P_F(a) \left(\frac{dH(a)}{da} \right) da \quad \text{or} \quad P_F = \int_0^{\infty} H(a) \left(\frac{dP_F(a)}{da} \right) da$$

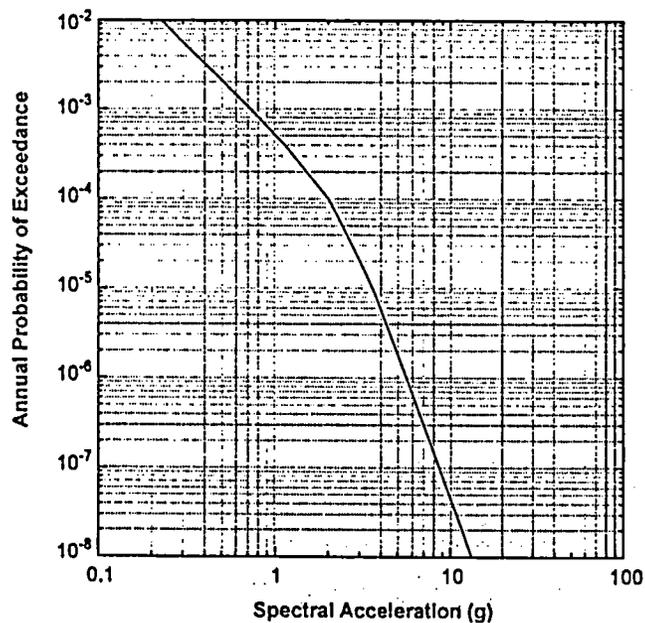
Where

- $H(a)$ is the annual probability of exceedance of ground motion level, a
- $P_F(a)$ is the conditional probability of failure given a value of the ground motion level, a

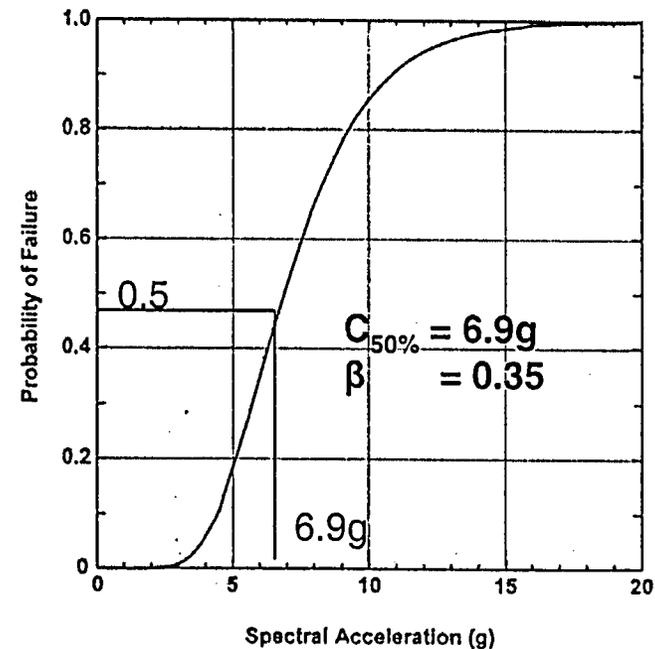


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Probability of Failure Computation

- Numerical Integration
 - Hazard curve is discretized into piecewise segments
- Annual Probability of Failure

$$P_F = \sum_{i=1}^n [H(a_i) - H(a)] P_F(a_{i+1})$$

Where, a_{cgi} is the acceleration at the center of gravity point of the hazard curve between a_i and a_{i+1} accelerations



Probability of Failure Computation (contd.)

– Closed-form Solution

- Hazard curve is approximated by a straight line in a log-log scale plot

$$H(a) = K_1 a^{-K_H}$$

- Fragility Curve: Log-normal distribution with a median capacity, $C_{50\%}$, and logarithmic standard deviation, β
- Annual Probability of Failure

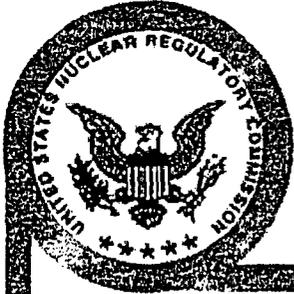
$$P_F = K_1 (C_{50\%})^{-K_H} e^{0.5(K_H\beta)^2}$$

Where, K_H is a slope parameter, and K_1 is a constant



Probability of Failure Computation (contd.)

- Annual Probability of Failure of SSC ITS
 - Numerical Integration: 1.5×10^{-6}
 - Closed form solution: 1.8×10^{-6}



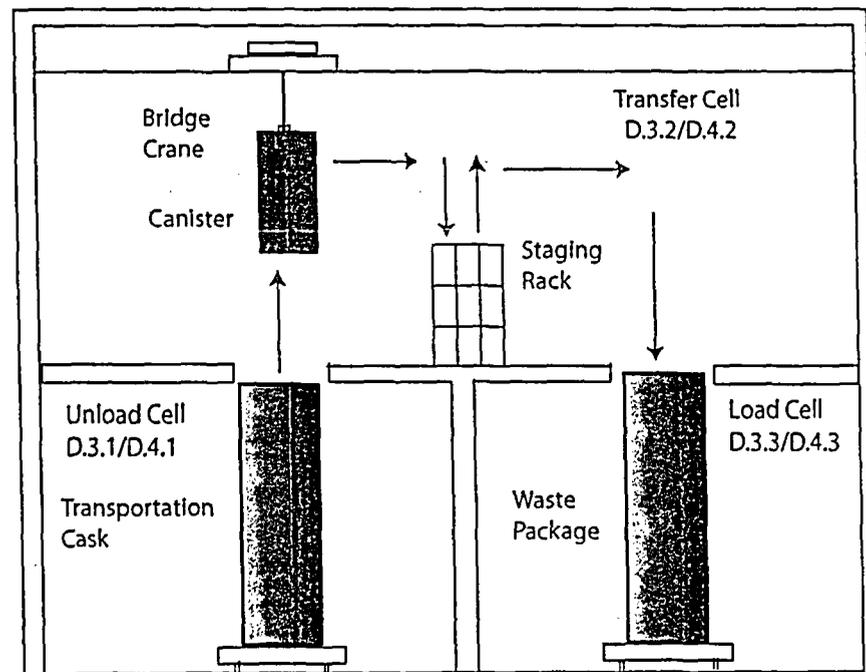
Appendix B - Methodology for Evaluation of Event Sequences

- Purpose of this example is to illustrate
 - How the probability of occurrence of a seismically initiated event sequence with more than one SSC ITS in the event sequence may be determined
 - How to categorize the event sequence for determining compliance with preclosure performance objectives



Conceptual Waste Handling Operations

- A bridge crane transfers a canister
- Concrete shear walls provide confinement
- HVAC-HEPA provides filtration to radionuclide particulates



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Assumptions

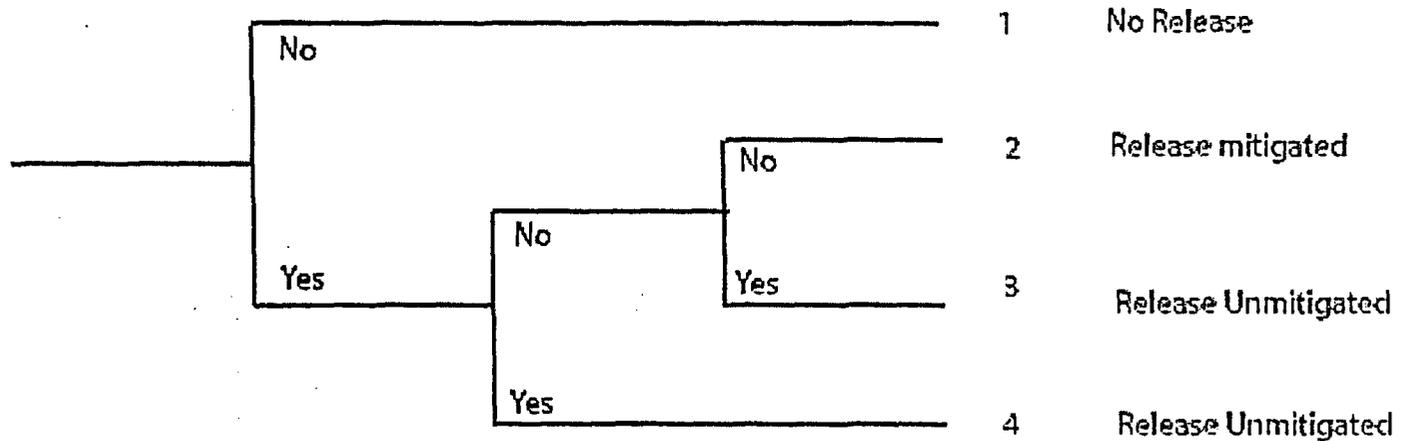
- Crane system, concrete shear wall, and HVAC duct anchor system respond independently for a given value of the ground motion parameter
- Failure of the concrete shear wall is associated with cracking resulting in loss of confinement
- If dropped, canister would breach and release radioactive material
- Considering a preclosure period of 100 years, Category 2 annual frequency of occurrence threshold is 10^{-6}

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Seismically Initiated Event Sequences

Crane System Failure, Drops Canister	Canister Breach	Concrete Shear Wall Failure (Loss of Confinement)	HVAC Duct Anchor system Failure	Sequence	Outcome
CRN_COMP	CANIS_BRCH	STR_SHWL	HVAC_ANC		



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Seismically Initiated Event Sequences (contd.)

- **Event Sequence 3**
 - Failure of the crane system + HVAC duct anchor system → potential consequence
- **Event Sequence 4**
 - Failure of the crane system + concrete shear wall → potential consequence



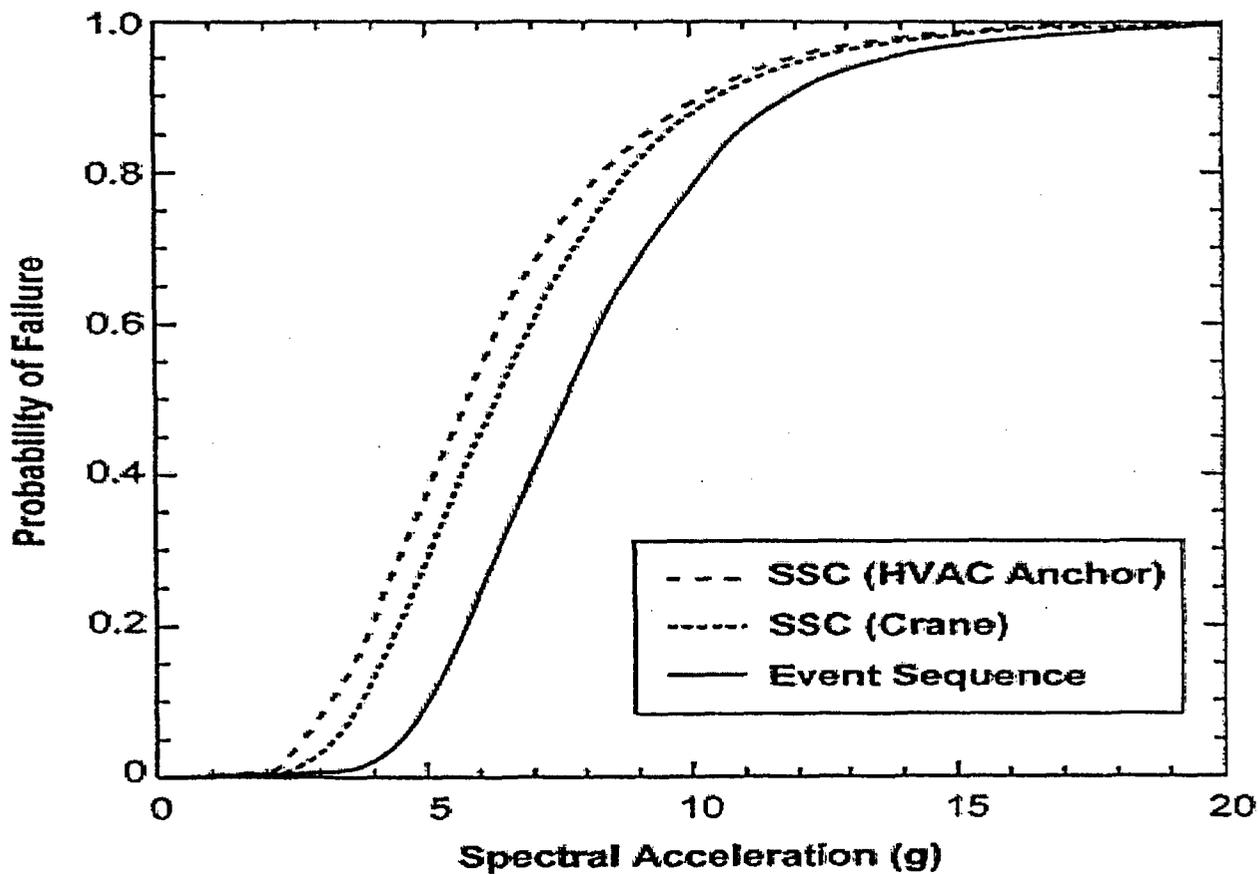
Annual Failure Probabilities of Individual SSCs ITS

SSC ITS	$C_{50\%}$	β	Annual P_F	Probability Criteria Met ?
Crane System	6.3 g	0.4	3.2×10^{-6}	No
Concrete Shear Wall	7.2 g	0.35	1.2×10^{-6}	No
HVAC Duct Anchor System	5.7 g	0.45	6.7×10^{-6}	No

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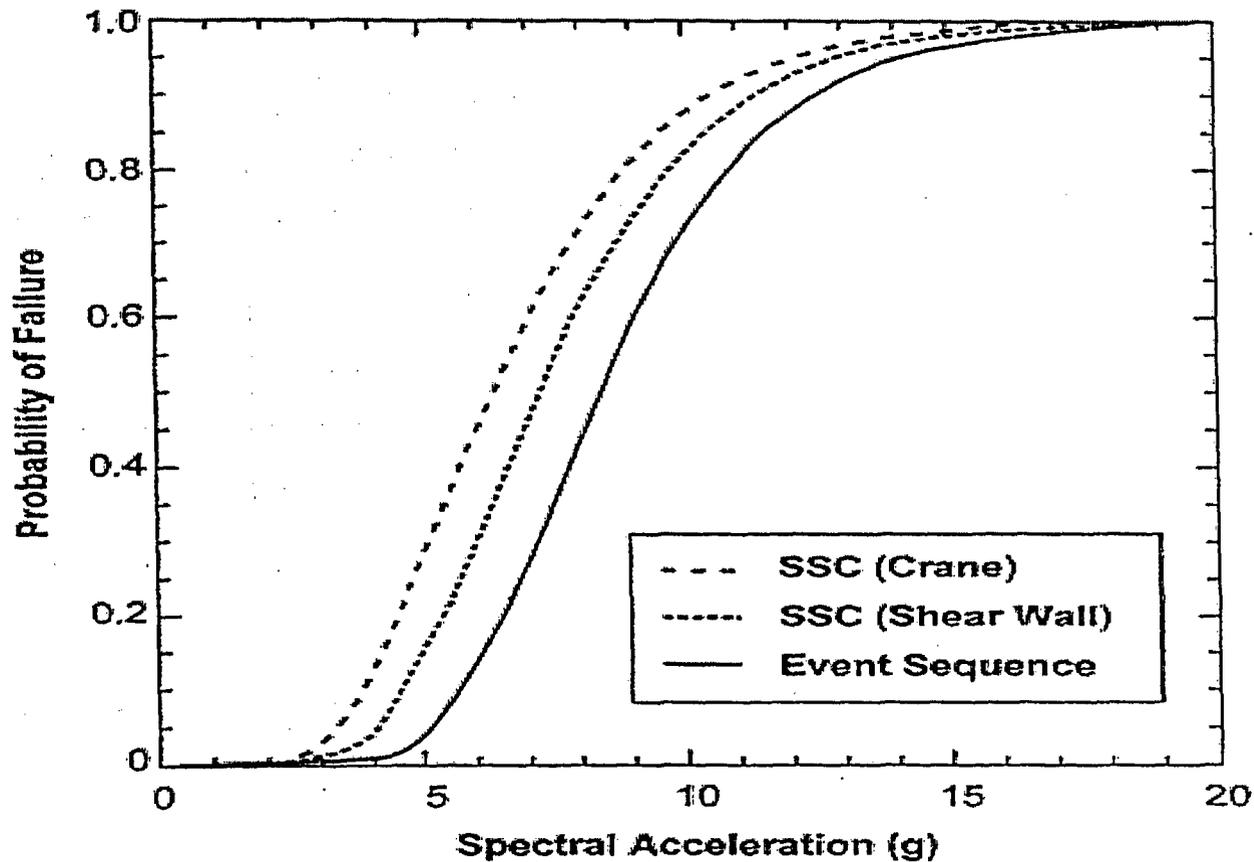
Event Sequence 3 Combined Fragilities



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Event Sequence 4 Combined Fragilities



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Compliance of Event Sequences

Event Sequence	SSC ITS	Event Sequence Frequency	Probability Criteria Met ?
3	Crane & HVAC	8.4×10^{-7}	Yes
4	Crane & Shear Wall	3.8×10^{-7}	Yes

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Summary

- This presentation illustrates the application of methodology described in draft ISG for demonstration of compliance to Part 63 for seismically initiated event sequences
- Discussed two examples
 - Methodology to compute annual probability of failure of SSC ITS
 - Methodology for evaluating event sequence frequency



Path Forward

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Path Forward for Draft HLWRS-ISG-01

- Receive public comment: July 6, 2006
- Consider public comments, as appropriate, in the final version of ISG-01
- Issue final ISG-01: September 2006



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Seismic Probability Analyses Overview

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Introduction

- **Overview**
 - Discussion of NRC letter of January 24, 2006
 - DOE path forward
 - Seismic probability analyses
- **Seismic Hazard Analyses**
- **Fragility Analyses**
- **Systems Analyses**
- **Summary**



NRC January 24, 2006 Letter

- **States the following:**
 - **Seismic design bases, and design codes and standards, appear consistent with regulatory requirements of §63.112(f)(2)**
 - **Seismic Margins Analysis (SMA) approach is useful but is not a substitute for demonstrating compliance with the performance objectives in §63.111(b)(2)**



NRC January 24 Letter

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- **Additional supporting analyses required to demonstrate compliance**
 - Develop probability of occurrence of event sequences through convolution of hazard curves and fragility curves
 - Reference to mixed oxide fuel fabrication facility at the Savannah River Site analyses and American Society of Civil Engineers Standard 43-05 approaches
 - The preclosure safety analysis requirements are met if the calculated probability of unacceptable seismic performance values of individual SSC ITS is less than 1 in 10,000 over the preclosure period, as defined in §63.111(b)(2)

ITS = Important to Safety

SSCs = Structures, Systems, and Components



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NRC January 24 Letter

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- If probability of occurrence of unacceptable seismic performance of individual SSCs ITS is greater than or equal to 1 in 10,000 over the preclosure period, DOE may demonstrate compliance with § 63.111(b)(2) by:
 - i. Showing that dose consequence is within 5 rem;
 - ii. Showing that probability of complete event sequence is less than 1 in 10,000 over the preclosure period; or
 - iii. Modifying the design



DOE Path Forward

- **DOE understands the letter is limited to seismically-initiated events**
- **DOE believes that elements of the SMA approach in addition to probabilistic seismic analysis will demonstrate compliance with regulations**
- **DOE will perform additional supporting evaluations and seismic probability analyses to demonstrate compliance for risk-significant SSCs**
- **Seismic approach will be documented in revised seismic methodology report**



DOE Path Forward

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- **Continue to use two-levels of seismic design bases ground motions (DBGM-1 and DBGM-2)**
- **Continue to use Conservative Deterministic Failure Margin (CDFM) method to define seismic HCLPF capacities for structures**

DBGM-1 = Design Basis Ground Motion #1 = 10^{-3} MAPE

DBGM-2 = Design Basis Ground Motion #2 = 5×10^{-4} MAPE

HCLPF = High-Confidence-of-a-Low-Probability-of-Failure

MAPE = Mean annual probability of exceedance



DOE Path Forward

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- **Modify current seismic approach to incorporate elements of probabilistic risk technology to demonstrate compliance for risk-significant SSCs – probabilistic seismic analyses**
- **Screening analysis will be used to focus analyses on risk-significant SSCs**



Seismic Probability Analyses

- Apply to risk-significant structures and equipment, having DBGM-2 design basis
- Demonstrate probability of unacceptable seismic performance is:
 - Less likely than one-chance in 10,000 during the preclosure period for individual ITS SSCs or for complete event sequences

Otherwise

- Dose consequence is less than 5 rem; or
- Modify the design



Seismic Probability Analyses Clarification

- **Probabilistic seismic analyses are not a full probabilistic risk assessment (PRA)**
 - **Analyses based on individual event sequences and individual ITS SSCs**
 - **Failure of individual ITS SSCs or individual event sequences will be shown to have probabilities of less than 1 in 10,000 over the preclosure period and therefore below the regulatory threshold or consequences of the event sequences will be shown to be less than 5 rem**
 - **Consistent with the NRC Letter of January 24, 2006, DOE will not sum the failure probabilities of individual ITS SSCs or probabilities of individual event sequences**

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Integration

- **Screening and quantification will require coordination of various technical inputs:**
 - **Seismic hazard analyses**
 - **Fragility (vulnerability) evaluations**
 - **System analyses**



Additional Slides



Performance Objectives Table

Performance Objectives Applied to Seismic Preclosure Safety	Dose Receptor	Consequences of Loss of SSC Safety Function Single Sequence Dose Limit (TEDE)	DBGM Assigned to ITS SSCs
Category 1 Event Sequences 10 CFR 63.111(b)(1) 10 CFR 20.1201-1204 10 CFR 20.1207-1208 10 CFR 20.1301-1302 10 CFR 20.1101	Radiation Worker	>5 rem (0.05 Sv)	DBGM-1
	Controlled Area Worker Beyond the Geologic Repository Operations Area Or Member of the Public Onsite and Beyond the Geologic Repository Operations Area Or Nevada Test Site and Nellis Workers in an Unrestricted Area	>100 mrem (1.0 mSv) or >2 mrem (0.02 mSv) in one hour Or >10 mrem (0.1 mSv) from air emissions	DBGM-1
	Member of the Public Beyond the Site Boundary in the General Environment	>15 mrem (0.15 mSv)	DBGM-1
Category 2 Event Sequences 10 CFR 63.111(b)(2)	Individual at or Beyond the Site Boundary	=>5 rem (0.05 Sv)	DBGM-2
Criticality Condition 10 CFR 63.112(e)(6)	N/A	N/A	DBGM-2

NOTE: Values are for TEDE (a measure of body dose). Higher dose equivalents for the lens of the eye, skin, and extremities are not included in the table, but are subject to separate limits per 10 CFR 63.111(b)(2), 10 CFR 20.1101, 10 CFR 20.1201 to 1204, 10 CFR 20.1207 to 1208, and 10 CFR 20.1301 to 1302.



Definition – Basic Terms

Seismic Risk:

- The probability that the undesirable consequences, harm or unacceptable performance due to a seismic event (earthquake) will be realized



Definition – Basic Terms

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Probabilistic Seismic Analysis:

- The development of a quantitative estimate of unacceptable seismic performance based on engineering evaluation and mathematical techniques for combining estimates of incident likelihood and consequences for risk-significant SSCs

Risk-Significant SSCs:

- *Risk-significant* SSCs are SSCs that are credited to mitigate/prevent seismically-initiated event sequences that potentially could result in a dose from unmitigated release that exceeds the performance objective of 10 CFR 63.111(b)(2)



Definition – Event Sequence

Event sequence (10 CFR 63.2):

“Event sequence means a series of actions and/or occurrences within the natural and engineered components of a geologic repository operations area that could potentially lead to exposure of individuals to radiation. An event sequence includes one or more initiating events and associated combinations of repository system component failures, including those produced by the action or inaction of operating personnel. Those event sequences that are expected to occur one or more times before permanent closure of the geologic repository operations area are referred to as Category 1 event sequences. Other event sequences that have at least one chance in 10,000 of occurring before permanent closure are referred to as Category 2 event sequences”



Definition – Convolution

Convolution:

In functional analysis, convolution is a mathematical operator that (in effect) represents the amount of overlap of one function, f , as it is shifted over another function, g . It therefore "blends" one function with another. If X and Y are two independent random variables with probability distributions f and g , respectively, then the probability distribution of the sum $X + Y$ is given by the convolution $f * g$.

For seismic analyses, the convolution can be expressed as:

$$\bar{f} = \int_0^{\infty} \left| \frac{d\bar{H}}{da} \right| P_{f:a} da$$

$\frac{d\bar{H}}{da}$ = derivative of hazard curve

$\bar{P}_{f:a}$ = fragility given a





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Site-specific Seismic Hazard

- **Three values of ground motion currently used for preclosure design analyses:**
 - **Design Basis Ground Motion #1 (DBGM-1): MAPE 10^{-3} or 1,000 year return period**
 - **Design Basis Ground Motion #2 (DBGM-2): MAPE 5×10^{-4} or 2,000 year return period**
 - **Beyond Design Basis Ground Motion (BDBGM): MAPE 10^{-4} or 10,000 year return period**
 - ♦ **Equivalent to a Review Level Earthquake**
- **Design ground motions, developed per NUREG-6728 Approach 2b by enveloping over epistemic uncertainties in site-response inputs and range of alluvium thickness, contain some unquantified degree of conservatism**



MAPE = Mean Annual Probability of Exceedance

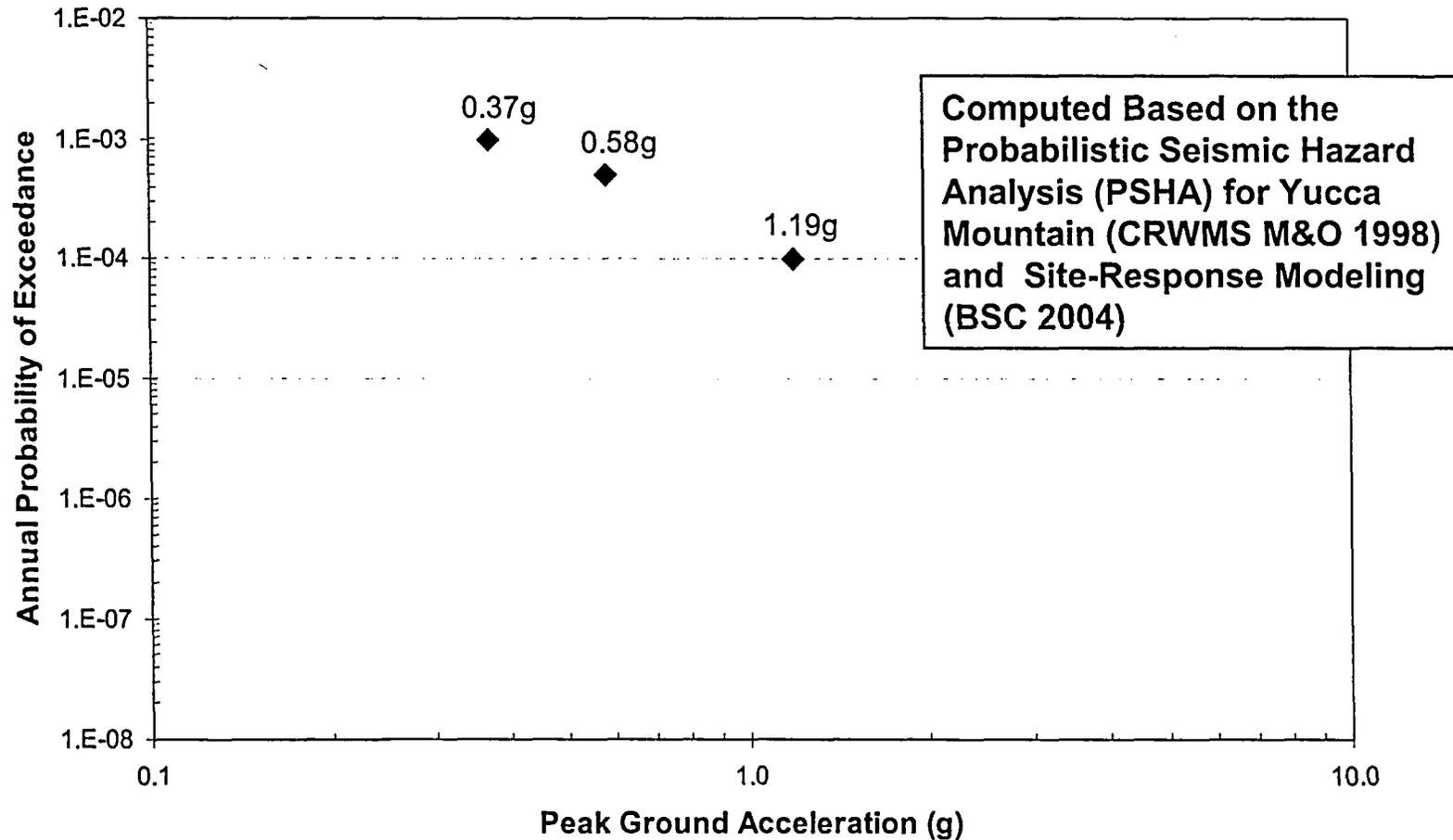
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Existing Hazard Points

Design Horizontal Peak Ground Acceleration for the Surface Facilities Area



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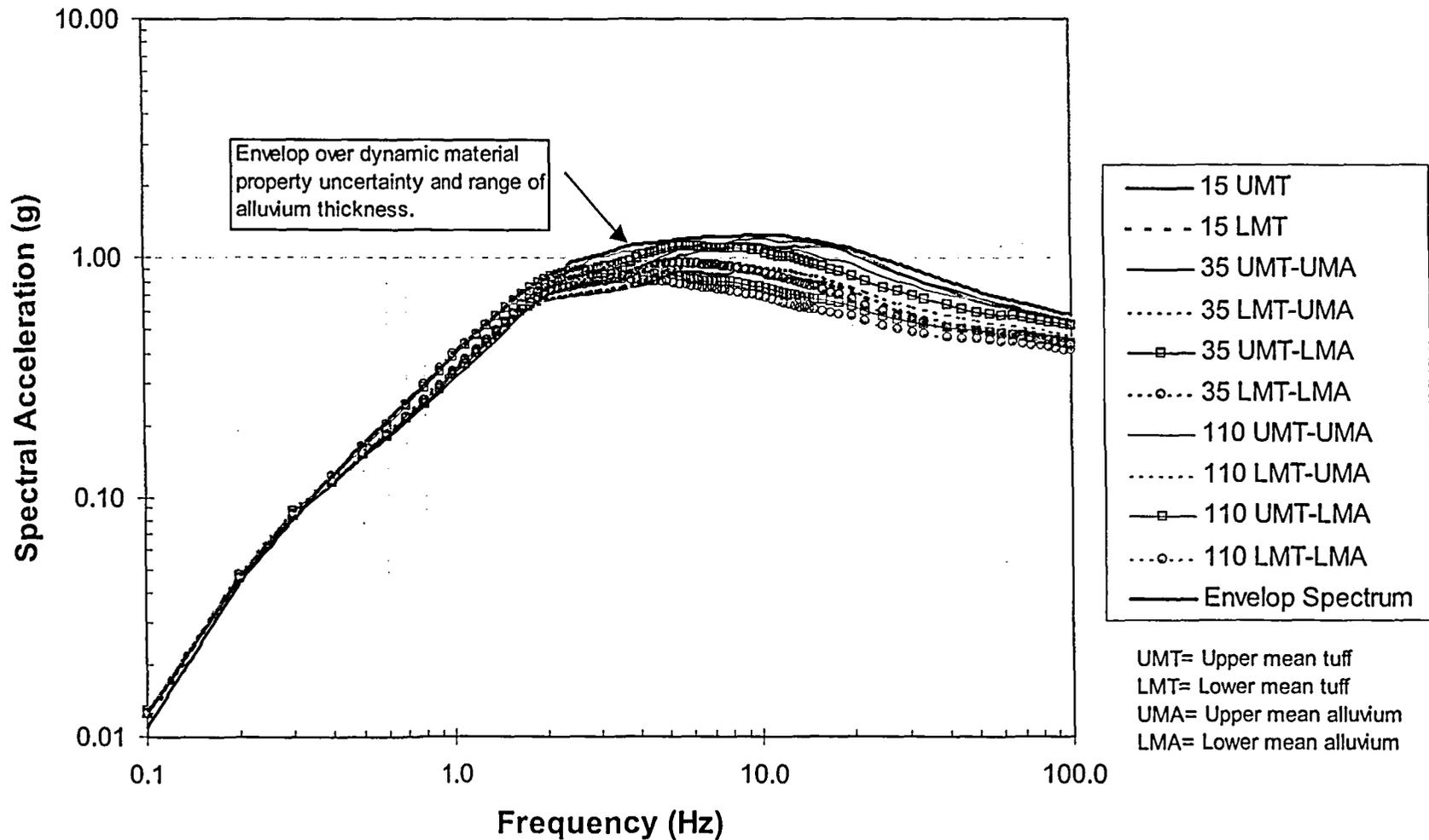


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Spectral Accelerations

5×10^{-4} MAPE



Hz = Hertz (cycles per second); g = Acceleration due to gravity



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Site-specific Seismic Hazard

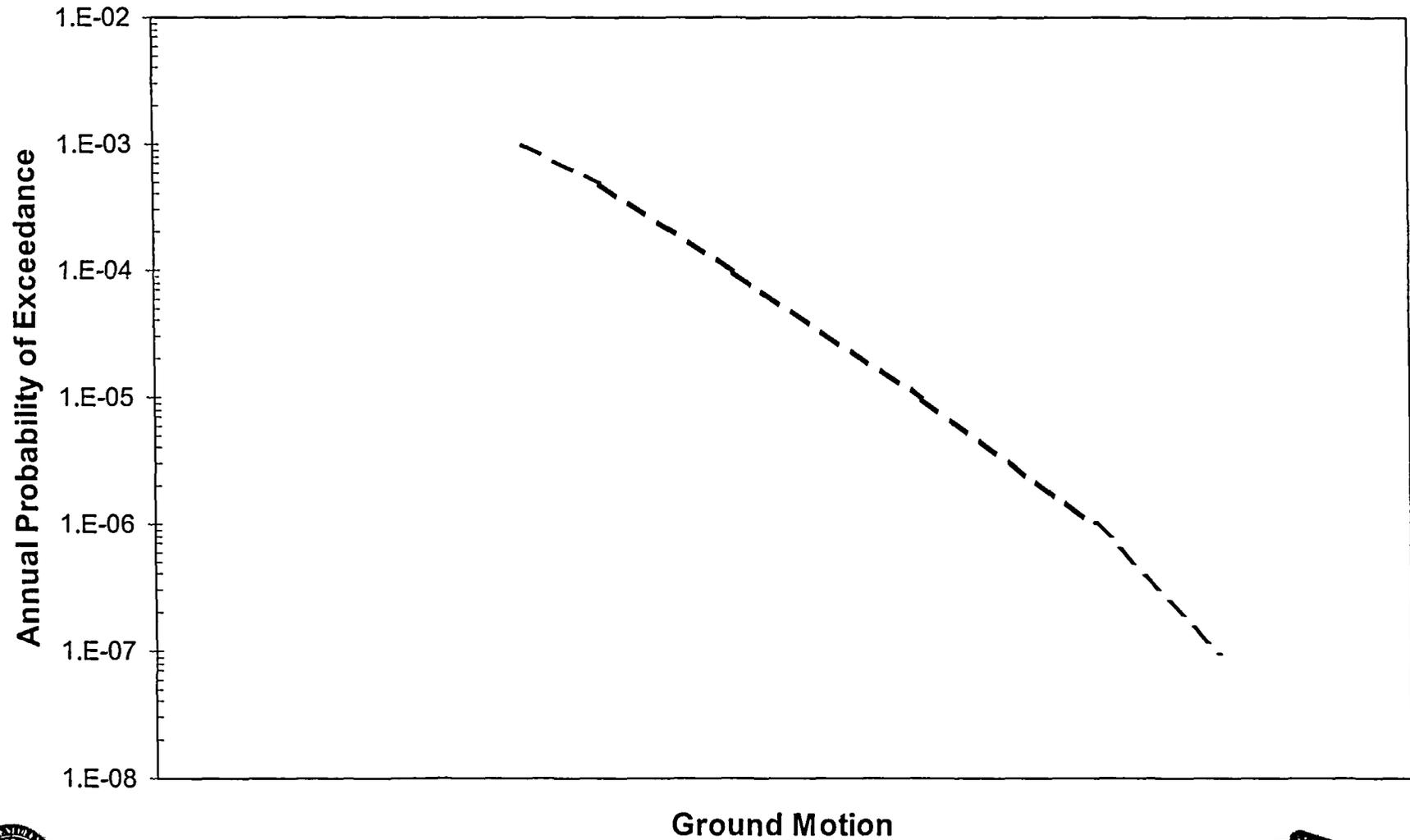
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- **DOE will develop a mean hazard curve for surface facilities area for annual probability of exceedance down to approximately 10^{-7} for quantification of probabilistic seismic analyses**
 - Incorporate results of ongoing geotechnical investigations
 - Develop mean ground motion (i.e., without conservative bias)
 - Incorporate knowledge of bounds to ground motion experienced at Yucca Mountain (e.g., geologic observations; seismic observations)



Full Hazard Curve Example

Hazard Curve for Surface Facilities Area





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Fragility Evaluation

- **Determines conditional probability of unacceptable seismic performance (failure) vs. appropriate ground motion parameter (e.g., spectral acceleration)**
- **Unacceptable performance (failure) is:**
 - **The inability of an SSC to perform or provide its intended safety function**
 - **Defined in terms of Limit States per ASCE 43-05**

SSCs = Structures, Systems and Components

ASCE 43-05 = American Society of Civil Engineers, Standard 43-05



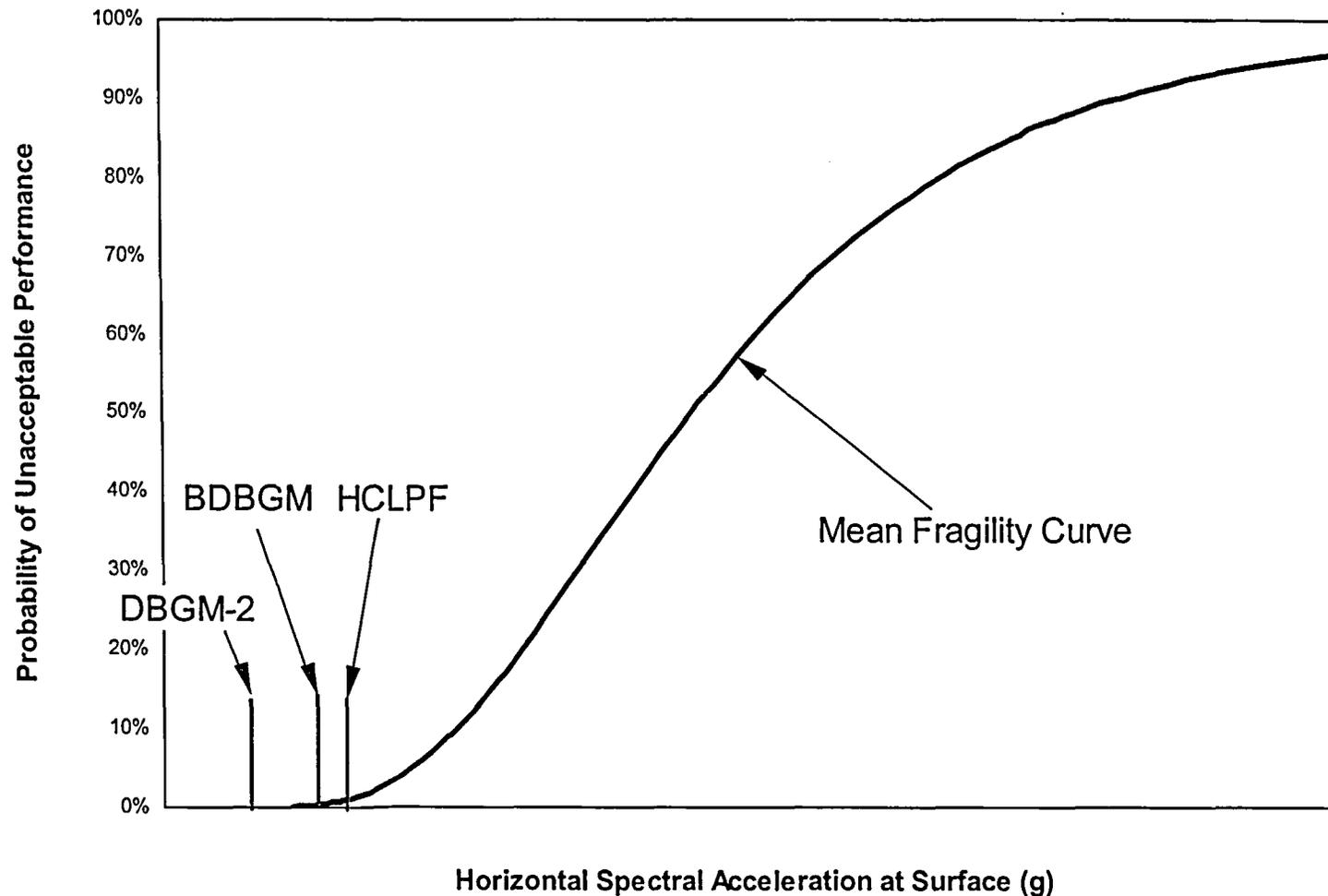
Hybrid Method

Mean Fragility Curve defined by:

- **High-Confidence-of-Low-Probability-of-Failure (HCLPF) capacity**
- **β - fragility logarithmic standard deviation**



Example – Mean Fragility Curve



DBGM-2 = Design Basis Ground Motion 2; g = acceleration due to gravity
BDBGM = Beyond Design Basis Ground Motion
HCLPF = High-Confidence-of-Low-Probability-of-Failure



Definition of HCLPF

High-Confidence-of-Low-Probability-of-Failure (HCLPF)

- **Seismic capacity of SSC described in terms of a specified ground motion parameter (e.g., spectral acceleration) corresponding to 1% probability of unacceptable performance on a mean fragility curve**
- **Deterministically computed using Conservative-Deterministic-Failure-Margin (CDFM) methodology**



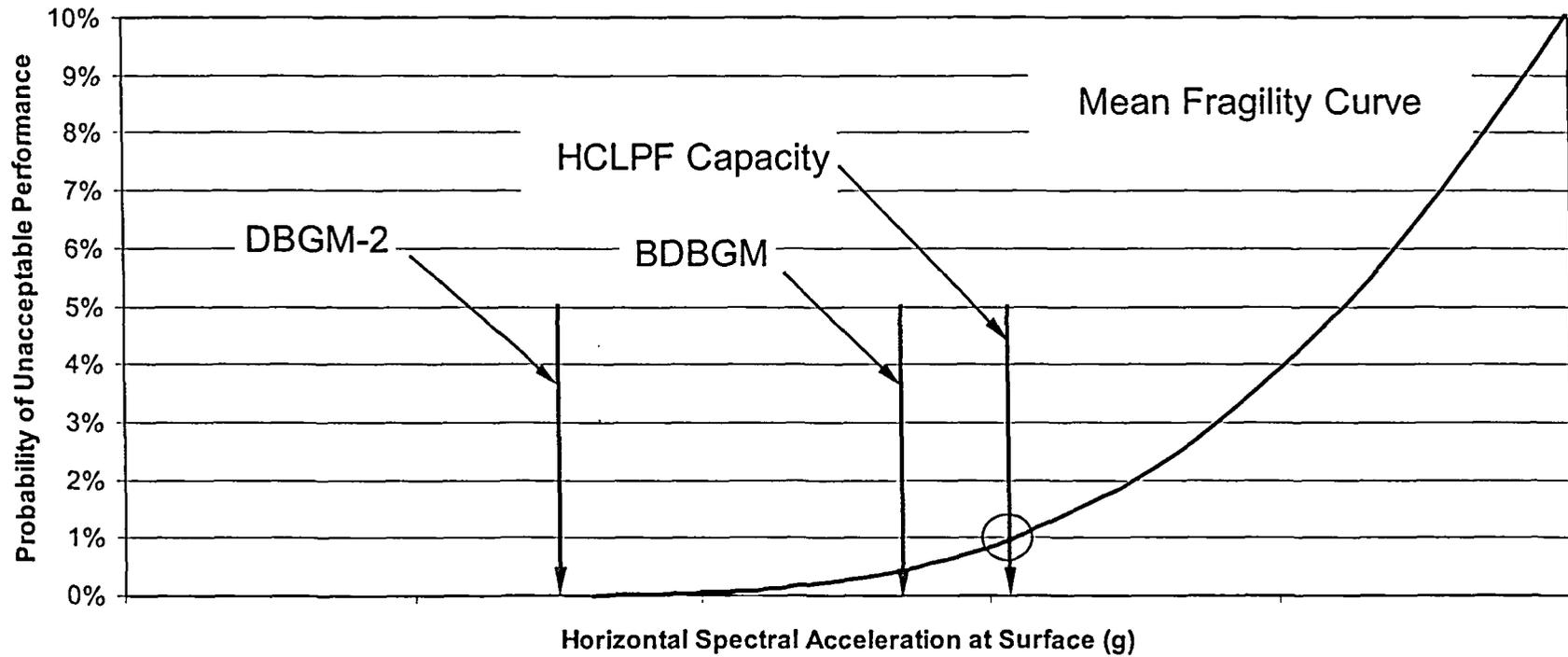
CDFM References

Conservative-Deterministic-Failure-Margin (CDFM) Methodology described in the following:

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- ASCE 43-05, Seismic Design Criteria for Structures, Systems, and Components in Nuclear Facilities



HCLPF Factor



Uncertainty Parameter, β

β - Fragility Logarithmic Standard Deviation

- Estimated based on published information, e.g.,
 - ASCE 43-05 Seismic Design Criteria for Structures, Systems, and Components in Nuclear Facilities
 - *Methodology for Developing Seismic Fragilities*, EPRI TR-103959, Electric Power Research Institute, June 1994
- β ranges from 0.3 to 0.5 for structures and equipment mounted at ground level
- β ranges from 0.4 to 0.6 for equipment mounted high in a structure



Results

Fragility Curves for Seismic Probabilistic Analysis

- **Structures**
 - Calculate specific fragility curves
- **Components**
 - Analyze for components such as cranes
 - Use “experience-based” (generic) information
 - Future qualification testing if required



Structural Margin

For Risk Significant Structures, Margin Demonstrated by:

- **DBGM-2 Demand significantly less than Code Capacity**
 - **DBGM-2 PGA: 0.58g horizontal and 0.52g vertical**
- **BDBGM Demand < HCLPF Seismic Capacity**
 - **BDBGM PGA: 1.19g horizontal and 1.49g vertical**
- **Structural Capacity that ensures that the probability of unacceptable seismic performance of the structure (or complete event sequence) is less than 1 in 10,000 over the preclosure period**

PGA = Peak Ground Acceleration

MAPE = Mean Annual Probability of Exceedance



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Preclosure System Analyses and Quantification

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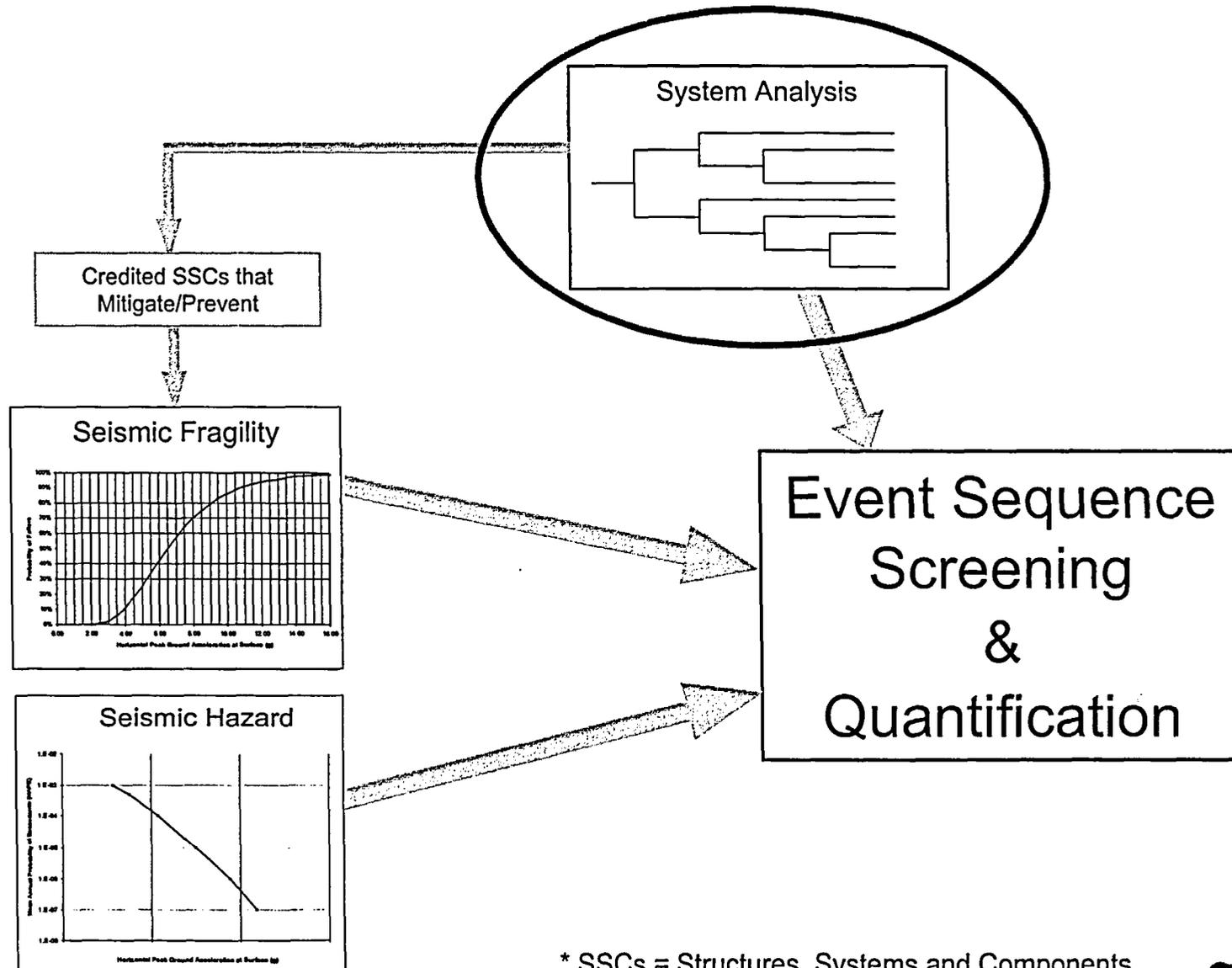
System Analysis

- **Seismic event sequence identification**
- **Consequence analysis and screening**
- **Seismic design bases assigned to SSCs**
- **Event sequence quantification**
- **Demonstration of compliance**



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Schematic of Seismic Probability Analyses



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Seismic Event Sequence Identification

- **Identify scenarios for potential direct exposure or airborne releases**
 - Conduct systematic evaluation
 - Identify seismically-induced failure of SSCs that initiate or affect event sequences
 - Identify amount and type of material at risk
- **Typical seismically-initiated scenarios**
 - Building damage impacts waste form
 - Heavy object (e.g., crane) falling onto waste form
 - Crane drops waste form
 - Trolleys or transporters tip over with impact to waste form
 - Shield doors or shield windows fail
 - Ducts lose confinement



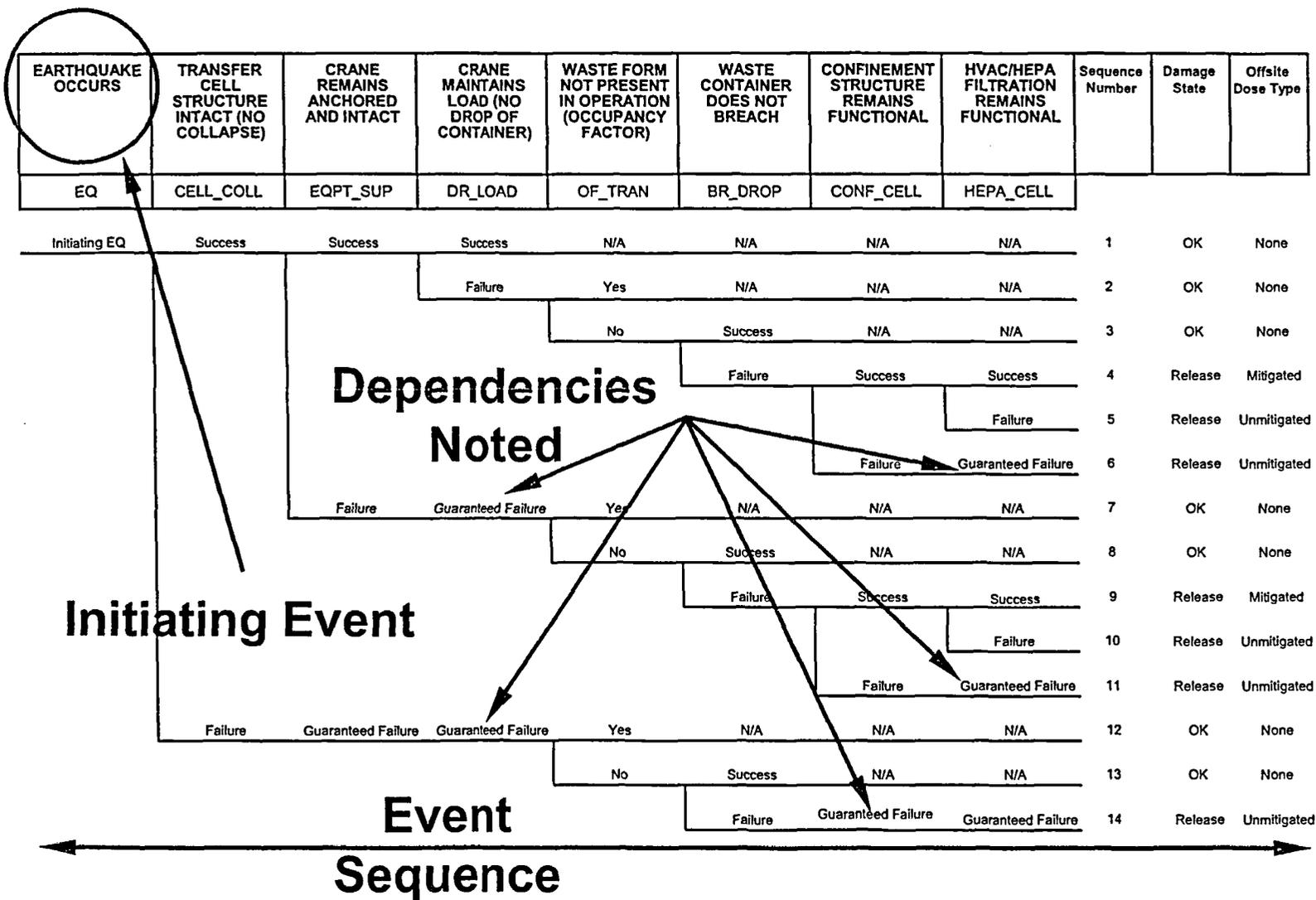
Seismic Event Sequence Identification

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- Identify non-seismic mechanisms or factors that affect potential radiation exposure or release
- Construct seismic event trees
- Apply screening doses to assign Design Basis Ground Motions (DBGM-1 or DBGM-2)
- Simplify event tree



Example of Seismic Event Tree

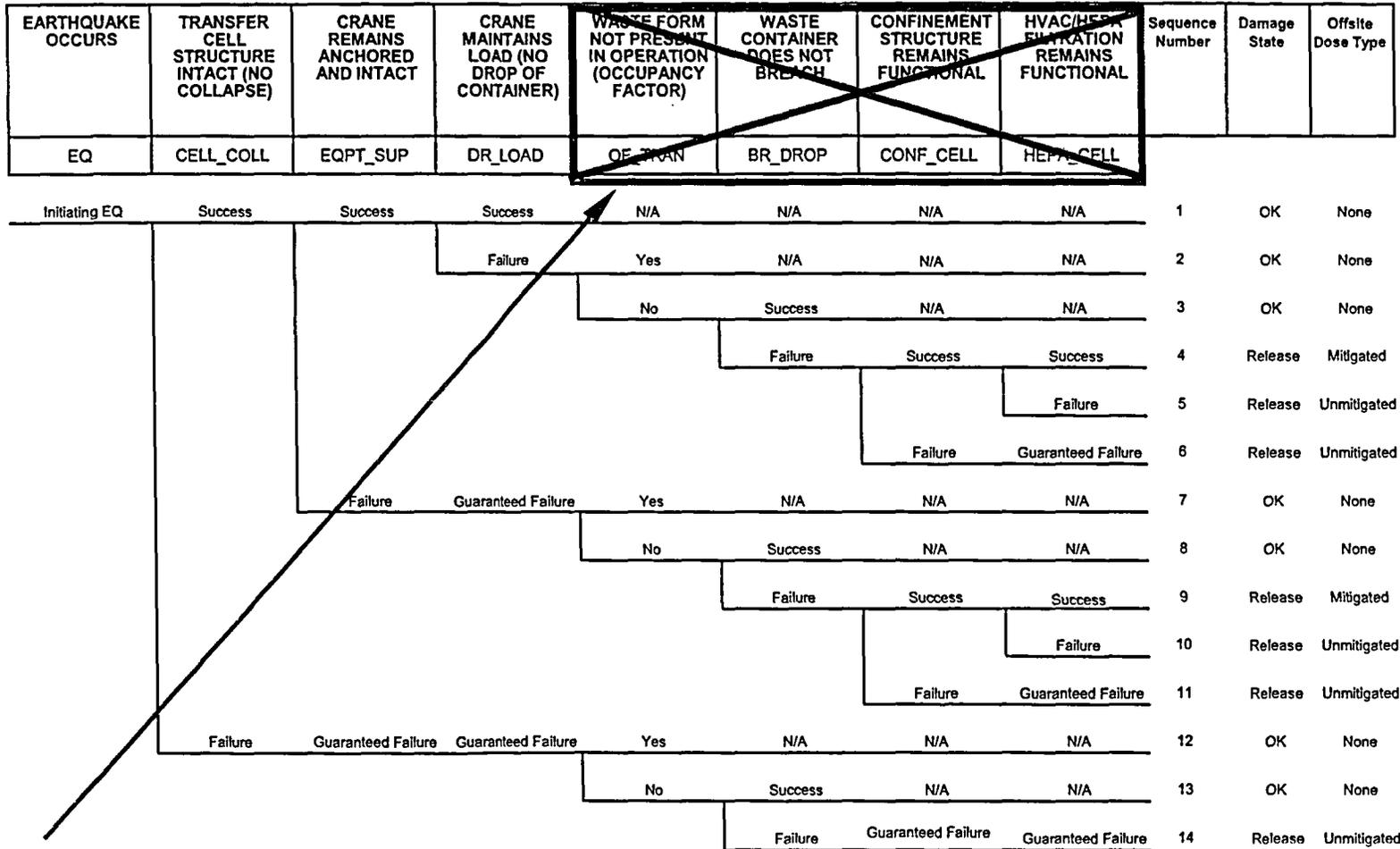


Simplifying Event Tree

- **Identify individual risk-significant SSCs**
- **Concentrate on preventing initiation of seismic event sequences**
- **No credit for active mitigation or confinement**
- **No credit for non-seismic factors that reduce likelihood of release scenario**



Simplifying Seismic Event Tree

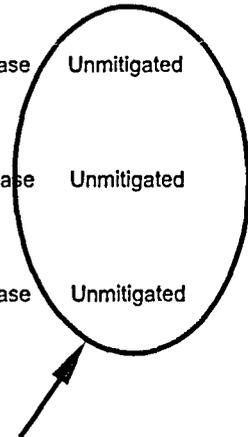


Events not credited in simplification process.
Initially, conditional failure probability set equal to 1.0.



Simplified Tree

EARTHQUAKE OCCURS	TRANSFER CELL STRUCTURE INTACT (NO COLLAPSE)	CRANE REMAINS ANCHORED AND INTACT	CRANE MAINTAINS LOAD (NO DROP OF CONTAINER)	Sequence Number	Damage State	Offsite Dose Type
EQ	CELL_COLL	EQPT_SUP	DR_LOAD			
Initiating EQ	Success	Success	Success	1	OK	None
			Failure	2	Release	Unmitigated
		Failure	Guaranteed Failure	3	Release	Unmitigated
	Failure	Guaranteed Failure	Guaranteed Failure	4	Release	Unmitigated

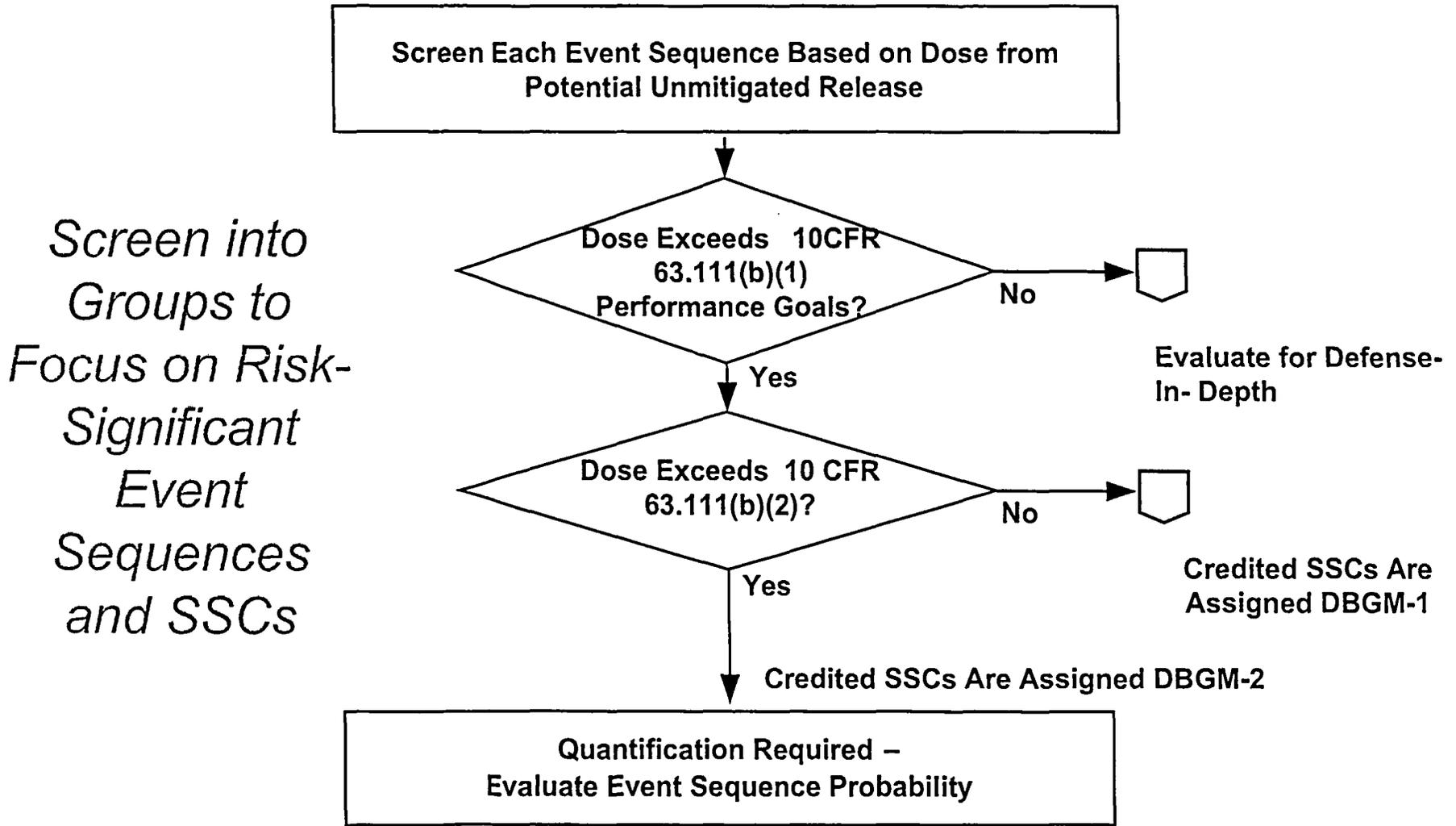


Use unmitigated dose associated with material at risk

SSC Safety Functions Credited in Preventing Event Sequence



Screening and Assigning Design Bases



DBGM-1 = Design Basis Ground Motion #1 = 1×10^{-3} MAPE
 DBGM-2 = Design Basis Ground Motion #2 = 5×10^{-4} MAPE
 MAPE = Mean Annual Probability of Exceedance



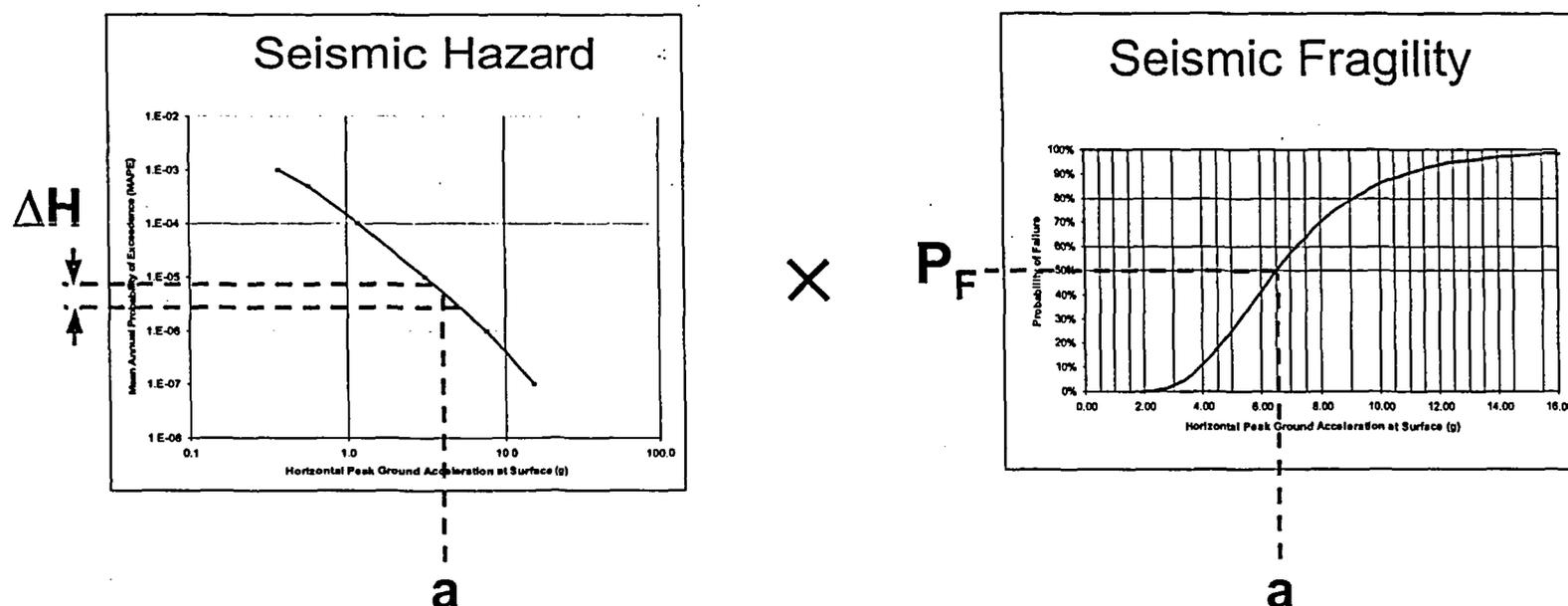
Seismic Event Sequence Quantification

- Apply to each event sequence where the dose consequence exceeds 10 CFR 63.111(b)(2)
- Obtain fragility for each SSC credited to prevent or mitigate a sequence; each SSC is
 - Classified as *Important to Safety*
 - Assigned DBGM-2 as seismic design basis
- Quantify the probability of the event sequence using probabilistic analysis including convolution integration of seismic hazard and fragility functions



Illustration of Convolution

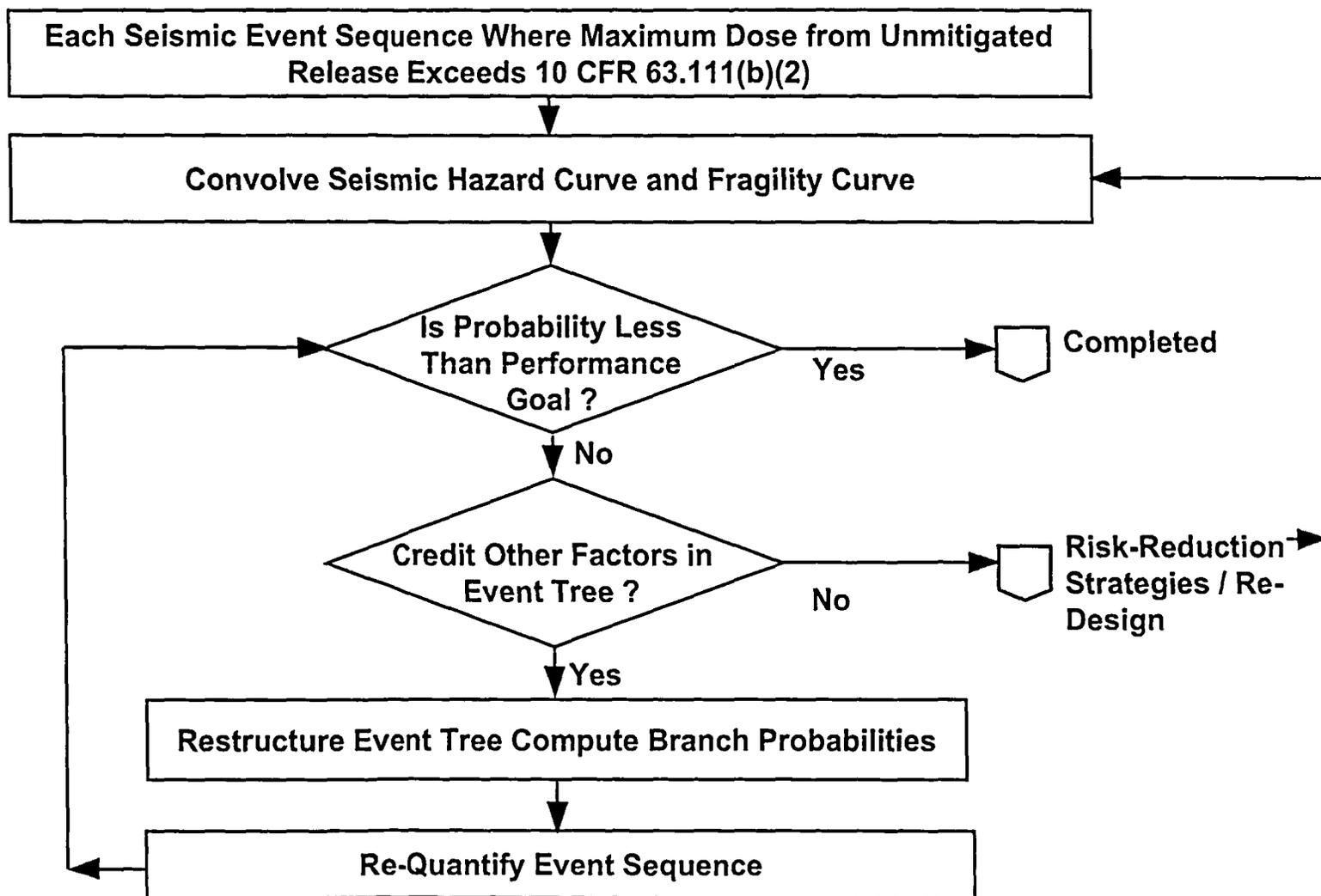
Example for seismic analyses – using numerical integration:



$$\sum \Delta H \times P_f = \text{Probability of Unacceptable Performance}$$



Quantification Process



Performance Goal = Less than 1 chance in 10,000 before permanent closure.



Results of Preclosure Seismic Analysis

- Identification of credible potential seismically-initiated event sequences and associated consequences
- Assignment of DBGM-1 or DBGM-2 to ITS SSCs credited to prevent or mitigate event sequences, based on potential dose due to unmitigated release
- Quantification of event sequence probability to demonstrate compliance to 10 CFR 63.111(b)(2)



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Seismic Probability Analyses Summary

- **Credible potential seismically-initiated event sequences will be identified and associated consequences estimated**
- **Appropriate design basis ground motions will be assigned to ITS SSCs credited to prevent or mitigate event sequences, based on potential dose due to unmitigated release**
- **Event tree quantification (including convolution) will be used to demonstrate compliance for individual ITS SSCs or each seismically-initiated event sequence as appropriate**

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Seismic Probability Analyses Summary

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- **The failure probability of each risk-significant SSC or the probability of each seismically-initiated event sequence where dose consequence could exceed 5 rem will be demonstrated to be less than 1 chance in 10,000 over the preclosure period**

