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Module S

Mitigating System Performance Index (MSPI)

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- **Purpose:** Provide overview of MSPI, with special emphasis on its PRA basis
- **Objectives:** At the conclusion of this section, students will understand :
 - What is MSPI
 - Why MSPI was developed
 - How MSPI is related to Δ CDF
 - How MSPI includes both unavailability and unreliability
 - How MSPI uses importance measures
- **References**
 - NEI 99-02, Rev. 4, August 2006
 - NUREG-1816, February 2005

What is MSPI?

- **MSPI is the numerical sum of the deviation between a system's actual unavailability and unreliability values for a calendar quarter and the established baseline values.**
- **MSPI takes into account plant specific risk importance measures in the calculation.**
- **MSPI = Unavailability Index + Unreliability Index**

MSPI – Systems Monitored/Aspects

- **MSPI monitor four front-line systems and support system (e.g., emergency AC power, high pressure injection, secondary cooling, long-term heat removal, service water, etc.).**
- **Definitions/Aspects monitored:**
 - **Unavailability** - the ratio of the hours that a train was out of service for planned or unplanned maintenance or testing during the previous 12 quarters while critical, to the number of critical hours during the previous 12 quarters.
 - **Unreliability** - the probability that a component (failure modes) would not perform its monitored function (defined by PRA success criteria and mission time) when required during the previous 12 quarters.

Why Was MSPI Developed?

- **Problems identified with safety system unavailability (SSU) performance indicator**
 - **Uses short-term unavailability to approximate unreliability**
 - **Uses same performance threshold regardless of risk significance**
 - **Potential for double-counting support system failures**
 - **SSU inconsistent with Maintenance Rule definition of unavailability**
 - **Inconsistent with indicators promulgated by World Association of Nuclear Operators (WANO) and Institute of Nuclear Power Operations (INPO)**
 - **Requires plant personnel to track plant data three different ways**

Development Timeline

- **NRC initiates Risk-Based Performance Indicator program**
 - **NUREG-1753 issued in 2002**
 - Proposed indicators that incorporated risk significance, as measured by SPAR models
 - Plant-specific thresholds for indicators
- **MSPI Pilot Program initiated in Summer 2002**
 - **20 plants participated**
 - **Provided V&V of**
 - Baseline data
 - Current performance data
 - Importance measures
 - Spreadsheet calculations
 - Overall MSPI results
- **NRC gave NEI agreement to proceed with MSPI in August 2004**

MSPI Objectives

- **Provide a risk-informed, plant specific, indication of mitigating system performance.**
 - **Reflect risk impact of system availability and reliability at each plant**
 - **System performance requirements based on PRA system success criteria rather than design basis criteria**
 - **Monitor most risk significant components**

How To Calculate MSPI

- Includes unavailability and unreliability in single risk measure
- $MSPI = UAI + URI$
 - UAI is Unavailability Index
 - URI is Unreliability Index
- $MSPI = \Delta CDF = CDF_1 - CDF_0$
 - CDF_1 is actual plant performance
 - CDF_0 is industry baseline performance
- Because $MSPI = \Delta CDF$ can apply “colors” from SDP
 - $MSPI \leq 10^{-6}$ **GREEN**
 - $10^{-6} < MSPI \leq 10^{-5}$ **WHITE**
 - $10^{-5} < MSPI \leq 10^{-4}$ **YELLOW**
 - $MSPI > 10^{-4}$ **RED**

Calculating UAI

- **UAI is sum of contributions from each train of a monitored system:**

$$UAI = \sum_{j=1}^n UAI_{tj}$$

- **UAI_{tj} is unavailability index for each train**

Calculating UAI_t

- $$UAI_t = I_B(UA_{PRA}) \Delta UA$$
$$= I_B(UA_{PRA}) (UA_t - UA_{BLt})$$

where:

UA = train unavailability

UA_t = observed train unavailability

UA_{BLt} = baseline train unavailability

$I_B(UA_{PRA})$ = Birnbaum importance of PRA basic event representing unavailability of train

Calculating UAI_t

- Relationship to Fussell-Vesely importance

$$I_{F-V}(x) = \frac{p_x I_B(x)}{CDF}$$

Calculating UAI_t

- Substitute into equation for UAI_t

$$UAI_t = CDF \left[\frac{I_{F-V}(UA_{PRA})}{UA_{PRA}} \right] (UA_t - UA_{BLt})$$

where:

CDF = Plant core damage frequency

$I_{F-V}(UA_{PRA})$ = Fussel Vesely value from plant specific PRA

UA_{PRA} = Plant specific unavailability (probability of being unavailable due to being out for planned or unplanned maintenance)

UA_t = actual unavailability of train t = $\frac{[\text{Unavailable hours (planned and unplanned) during previous 12 quarters}]}{\text{Critical hours during the previous 12 quarters}}$

UA_{BLt} = historical baseline unavailability value for the train (industry average)

Birnbaum Importance and Δ CDF

- More on Birnbaum importance

$$I_B(x) = \frac{\partial(CDF)}{\partial p_x} = CDF(x=1) - CDF(x=0)$$

- Δ CDF $\approx \Sigma I_B(x)\Delta p_x$
- Thus UAI is approximately the increase in CDF caused by increase in unavailability of monitored systems

Calculating URI

$$URI = \sum_{j=1}^n I_{B,\max} (UR_{PRA,j})(UR_{BC,j} - UR_{BL,j})$$

$I_{B,\max}$ = maximum Birnbaum importance of all basic events for given component

UR_{PRA} = unreliability from PRA

UR_{BC} = Bayesian-corrected unreliability (plant-specific)

UR_{BL} = Industry baseline unreliability

Calculating URI

- Using relationship between Fussell-Vesely and Birnbaum importance gives

$$URI = CDF \sum_{j=1}^n \left\{ \left[\frac{I_{F-V}(UR_{PRA,j})}{UR_{PRA,j}} \right]_{\max} (UR_{BC,j} - UR_{BL,j}) \right\}$$

- URI includes both demand failures and running failures
 - Details can be found in App. F to NEI 99-02

Calculating URI

Where:

CDF = Plant core damage frequency

$I_{F-V}(UR_{PRA})$ = Fussel-Vesely value from plant specific PRA (component's failure modes [i.e., MDP fails to run])

UR_{PRA} = Plant specific unreliability (probability of component's failure modes [i.e., MDP fails to run])

UR_{BC} = Bayesian corrected plant-specific value for the component's specific failure modes [i.e., MDP fails to run]

$$UR_{BC,d} = (N_d + a)/(a + b + D)$$

N_d is the total number of failures of on demand during previous 12 quarters

D is total number of demands during the previous 12 quarters

a and b are parameters of the industry prior, derived from industry experience (Appendix F NEI99-02)

$$UR_{BC,r} = [(N_r + a)/(T_r + b)] * T_m$$

N_r is the total number of failures to run during previous 12 quarters

T_r is total number of run hours during the previous 12 quarters

T_m is mission time for the component based on PRA model assumption.

a and b are parameters of the industry prior, derived from industry experience (Appendix F NEI99-02)

UR_{BLt} = historical baseline values of unreliability for the component's failure modes [i.e., MDP fails to run]

Color Scale for MSPI

- **MSPI = UAI + URI**
- **MSPI is calculated for each monitored system and compared to risk thresholds**
 - **MSPI $\leq 10^{-6}$ GREEN**
 - **$10^{-6} < \text{MSPI} \leq 10^{-5}$ WHITE**
 - **$10^{-5} < \text{MSPI} \leq 10^{-4}$ YELLOW**
 - **MSPI $> 10^{-4}$ RED**

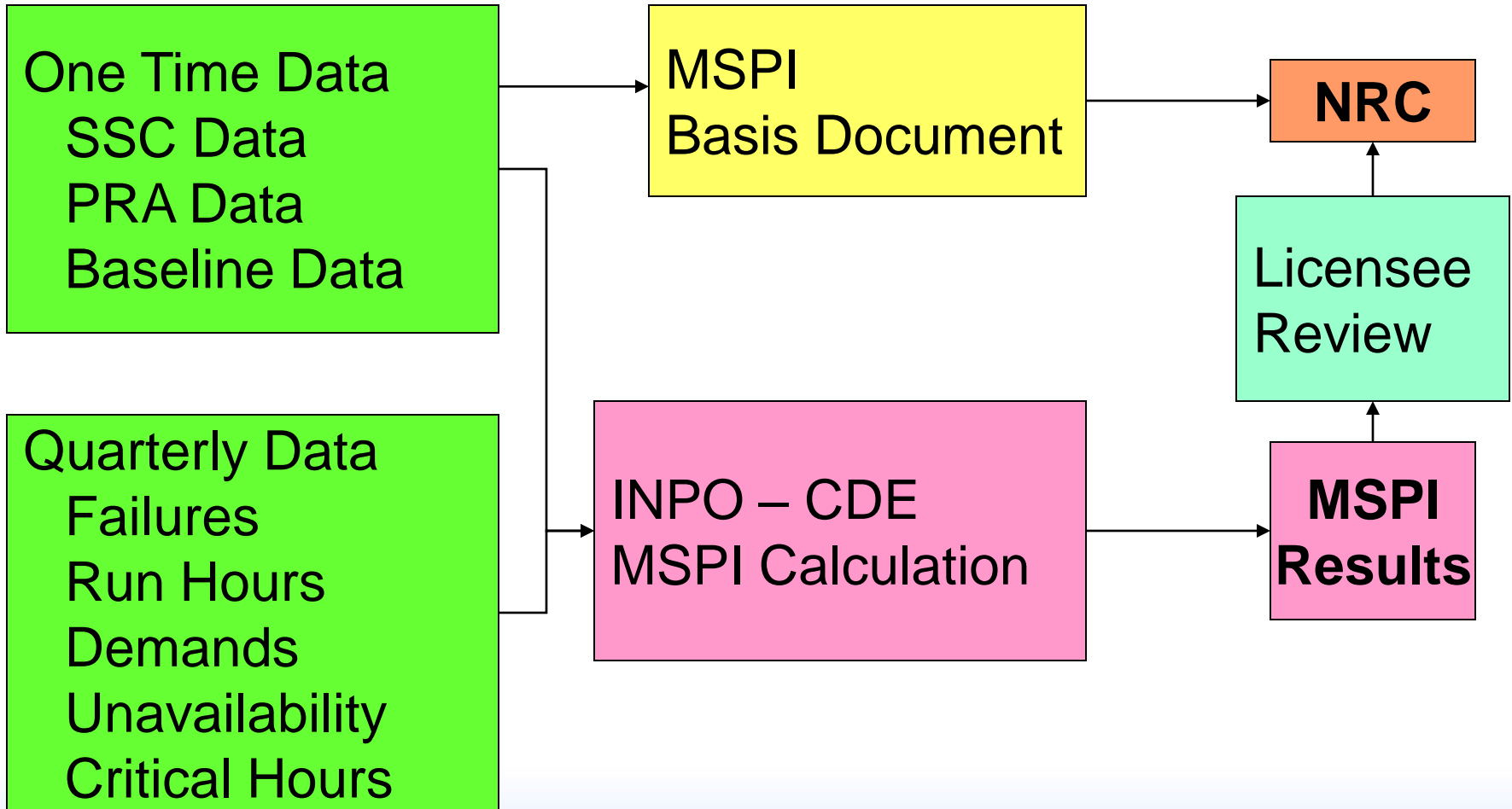
MSPI Front-Stop

- Don't want single failure to result in MSPI being WHITE
- For example, expected to see three failures over a three year period. Due to variability, it can be expected to see 2 or 4 failures in three year period.
- It is not appropriate a system should be placed in WHITE band due to expected variation.
- Avoid this by capping most risk-significant failure at 5×10^{-7} (from risk-informed Tech. Specs.) (This ensures one failure beyond expected alone doesn't result in $MSPI > 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$)

MSPI Back-Stop

- For systems with low Birnbaum importance, performance could degrade significantly without MSPI crossing WHITE threshold
- To prevent this, a maximum number of failures is determined as the threshold to the WHITE band, even though the calculated $MSPI < 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$
- Appendix E to NUREG-1816 or Appendix F of NEI99-02 gives formula for finding maximum allowed failures, even if MSPI is still **GREEN**

MSPI Overall Process



Guidance Documents

- **NEI 99-02 Section 2.2**
 - Basic Definitions
- **NEI 99-02 Appendix F**
 - Details of Calculation Methods
 - Detailed Definition of Inputs
- **NUREG-1816**
 - Technical bases
 - Description of pilot program
 - Recommended enhancements
 - MSPI limitations