

# CAREM and Differences from CSAU

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**CAREM : Code Accuracy based Realistic Evaluation Model  
(APR1400-F-A-TR-12004-NP, Rev.0); ML13023A080**

# Objective

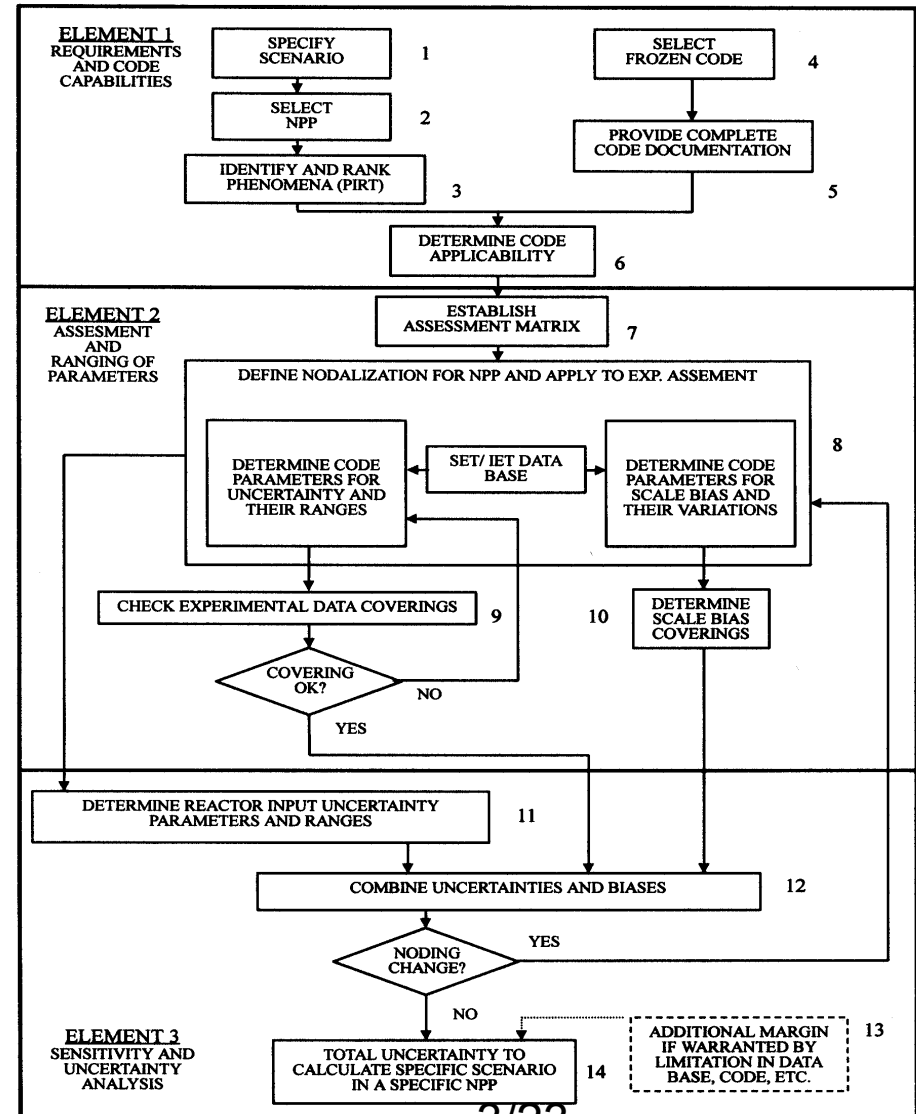
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- To provide a summary of the APR1400 LBLOCA Realistic Evaluation Model (CAREM) Topical Report
- To provide the differences from the CSAU

**CSAU : Code Scaling, Applicability and Uncertainty (NUREG/CR-5249)**

# Overview of CAREM (1/2)

- CAREM consists of 3 elements and 14 steps as in CSAU.
- Step 9 checks Experimental Data Covering (EDC) using the uncertainty parameters determined in step 8. If it fails, step 8 repeats until the covering is satisfied.
- Non-parametric statistics and Simple Random Sampling (SRS) calculation are used in EDC as well as in plant calculations for propagation of uncertainties.



# Overview of CAREM (2/2)

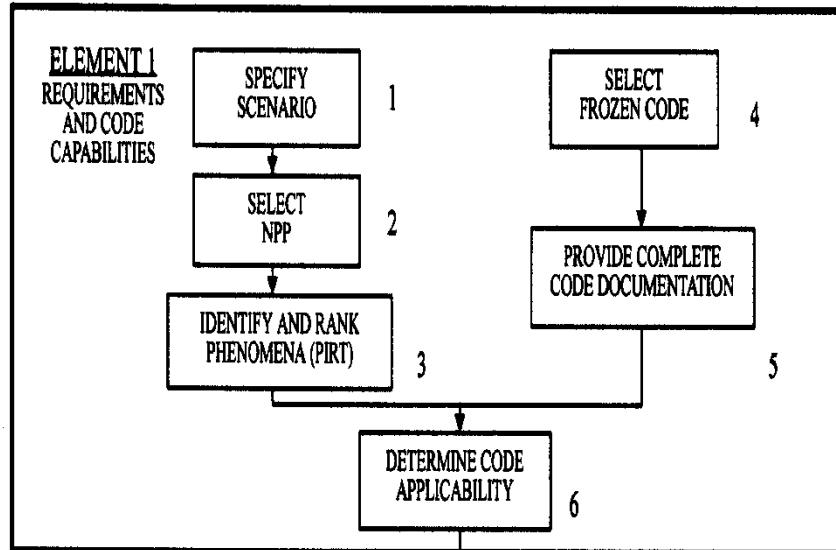
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## Best Estimate + Uncertainty Quantification

1. CAREM developed based on the CSAU
  - Uncertainties are quantified by non-parametric statistics and SRS calculation
  - Introduce EDC for confirmation of uncertainty parameters and their ranges & distributions
2. RELAP5/MOD3.3 + CONTEMPT4/MOD5
  - Two codes exchange mass & energy (RELAP) and pressure (CONTEMPT) as boundary conditions for each other

# Element 1

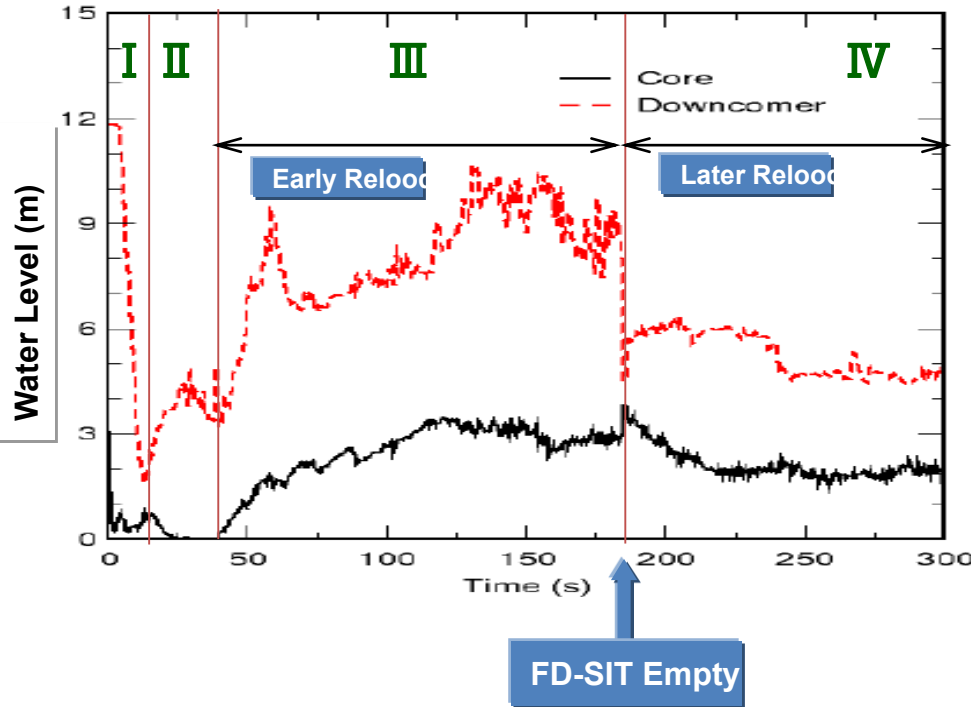
## Requirement and Code Capabilities



- The same as CSAU

# Step 1 : Specify Scenario

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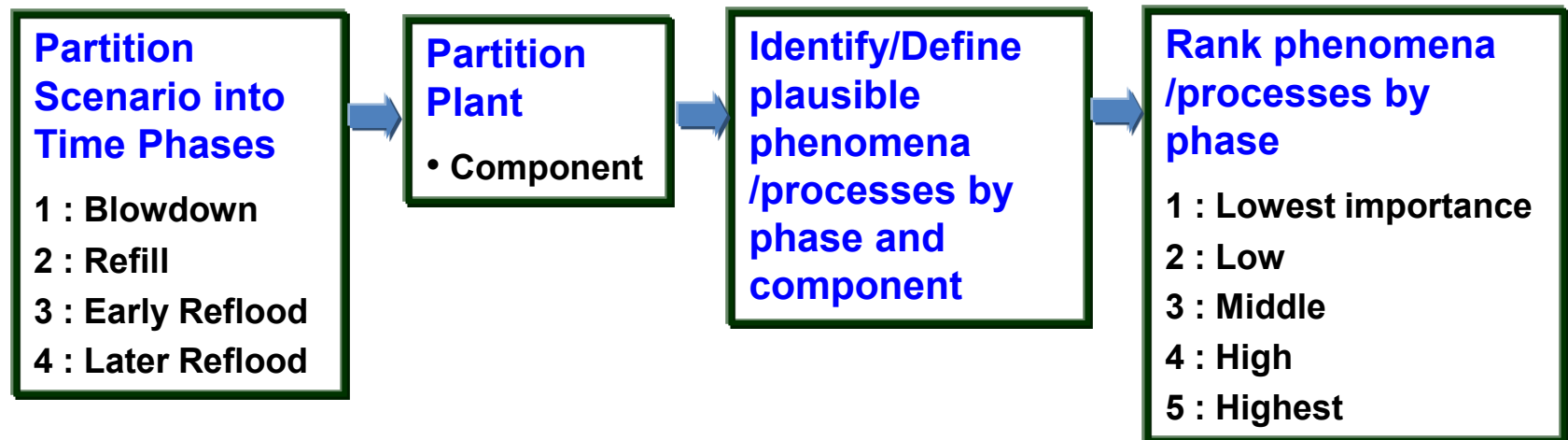
- I : Blowdown (~ 20 sec)**  
break open ~ initiation of SIT-FD
- II : Refill (~ 35 sec)**  
until mixture water level is reached to the bottom of active core
- III : Early Reflood (~ 190 sec)**  
until SIT-FD empty
- IV : Later Reflood**  
after SIT-FD empty

## Step 2 : Select NPP

➤ APR1400

## Step 3 : Identify and Rank Phenomena (PIRT)

- APR1400 LBLOCA PIRT was developed based on KNGR PIRT
  - INEEL/KINS developed KNGR PIRT (2001)
  - Panel had ~150 MY collective experiences
- Findings from various tests and code calculations were reflected



## Step 3 : PIRT

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## Step 4 : Select Frozen Code

- RELAP5/MOD3.3/K & CONTEMPT4/MOD5

## Step 5 : Provide Complete Code Documentation

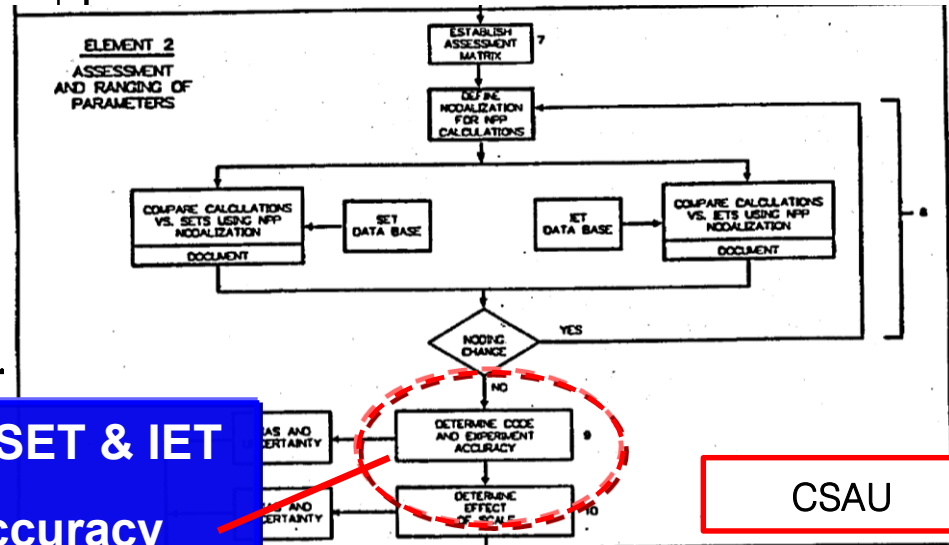
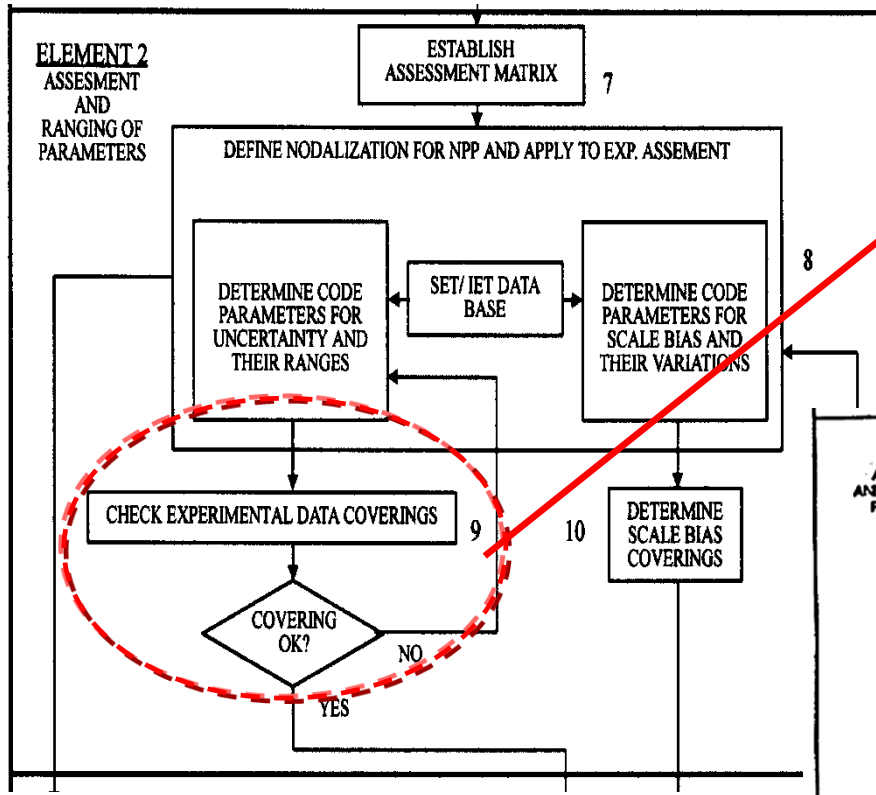
## Step 6 : Determine Code Applicability



# Element 2

## Assessment and Ranging of Parameters

Unique Step to determine code-accuracy-based uncertainty parameters and their ranges.



To evaluate overall code accuracy for SET & IET : Definition of code and experiment accuracy

CSAU

# Step 7 : Establish Assessment Matrix

## ● Assessment Matrix

- Includes various SETs, IETs and tests for APR1400
  - to confirm code's predictability of LBLOCA phenomena
  - to assess code accuracy
  - to confirm code's scale-up capability
  - to determine nodding
  - to range uncertainty parameters
- Includes developmental assessments as well
- ❖ APR1400 related tests (conducted by KAERI)
  - Reference file location: '#4 Reference\#2 Topical reference'
  - **MIDAS** : ECC bypass - Appendix F
  - **DOBO** : Downcomer boiling – Appendix G
  - **ATLAS** : Overall reflood phenomena, ECC bypass, DC boiling – Appendix E
  - **VAPER** : SIT-FD – Appendix H
  - ※ MIDAS, DOBO, VAPER : SET Facility

ATLAS : IET Facility

## Step 8 : Define Nodalization for NPP and Apply to Exp. Assessment

- **Determine Nodalization for NPP (Step 8.1)**
  - Guide lines and the various nodalizations of NPP & test facilities in RELAP5 documents and international experiences were referenced.
  - NPP nodalization is kept in the test facility nodalization.

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- **Determine Code Parameters and their Ranges (Step 8.2)**  
(Plant operation related parameters are covered in Step 11)
  - Candidate uncertainty parameters are first determined by comparing the important phenomena and corresponding code models, and by performing the auxiliary calculations.
  - The ranges of candidate parameters are validated as a set by way of Experimental Data Covering (EDC) against SET and IET data.

■ Code Parameters

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- **Code Parameters for Scale Bias and their Variations (Step 8.3)**

- **NUREG/CR-5249 (CSAU)**

- **Main components that cause code bias in NPP calculation are DC, LP, and UP which are distorted in a power-to-volume scaled facility.**
- **ECC bypass and liquid carry-over to SGs (steam binding) are affected.**

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## Step 9 : Check Experimental Data Coverings

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- **CAREM: Code accuracy (Step 9.1)**
  - This step designed to evaluate overall code accuracy using assessment results of experiments.
- **CSAU: Definition of code and experimental accuracy (Step 9)**
  - This step is the same with step 9.1 of the CAREM.

## Step 9 : Check Experimental Data Coverings

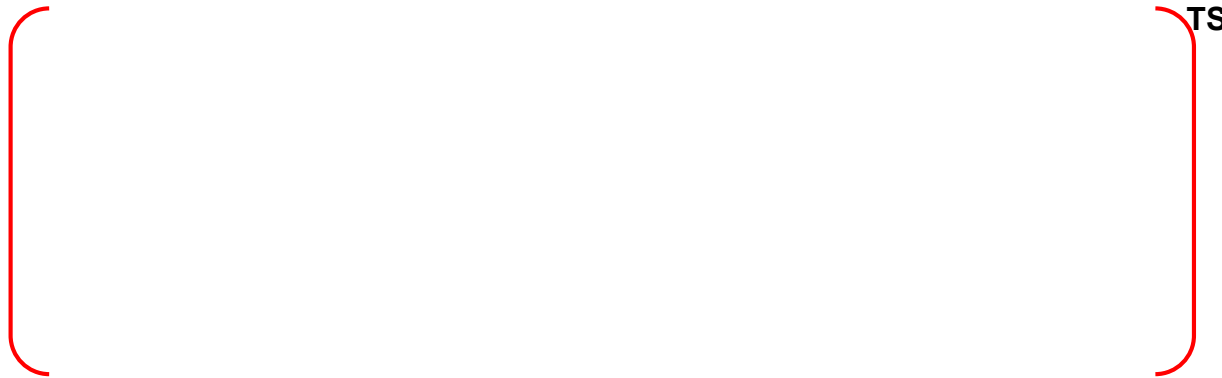
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### ➤ CAREM: Experimental Data Covering (Step 9.2)

- Experiment data covering was introduced to check whether selected uncertainty parameters and their ranges could cover experiment data.
- If it fails, Step 8 repeats until the covering is satisfied.

## Step 10 : Determine scale bias coverings

- Based on the code assessments in Step 8, following bias calculations are determined

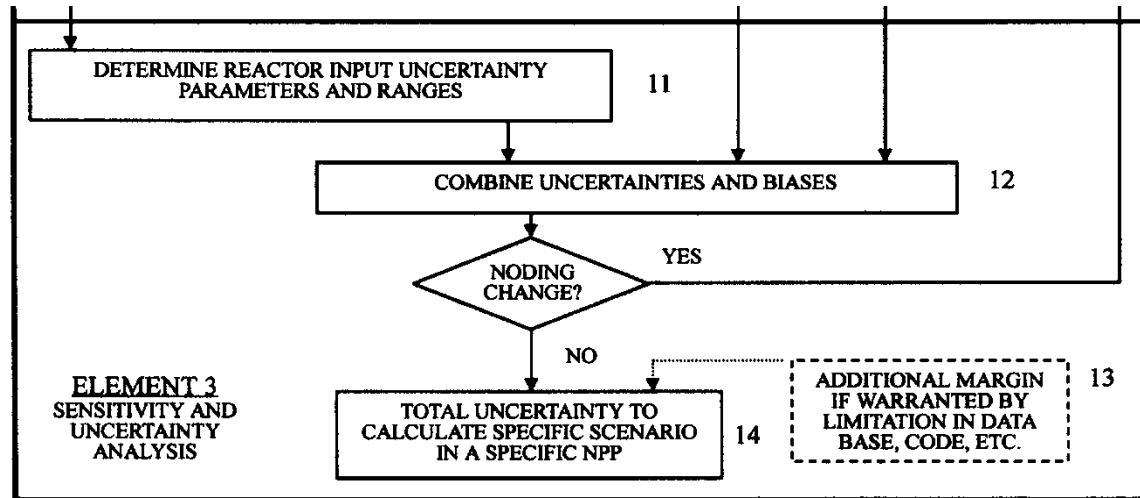


- Bias calculation of NPP are evaluated in Step 12.



# Element 3

## Sensitivity and Uncertainty Analysis



- Addresses important plant specific parameters (Step 11)
- Reactor input uncertainty parameters and code uncertainty parameters are taken into the NPP SRS calculations (Step 12)
- Scale bias are added to 95/95 values (Step 12)
- Additional uncertainties are added (Step 13 & 14)
- ❖ CSAU has the same analysis processes except uncertainty quantification method

# Step 11 : Determine reactor input uncertainty parameters and their ranges

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# Step 12 : Combine Uncertainties and Biases

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## Step 12 : Combine Uncertainties and Biases

- CAREM adopted non-parametric statistics and SRS calculation to quantify uncertainty propagation
- Whereas, response surface method is used in CSAU

### Non-Parametric Statistics

- Monte Carlo calculations : Simple Random Sampling (SRS) Calculation
- Number of calculations – Wilks formula
  - 59 cases :  $1 - (p)n \geq q$  (1<sup>st</sup> highest value calculated is 95/95)
  - 124 cases :  $q = 1 - [p^n + n(1-p)p^{n-1} + 1/2*n(n-1)(1-p)^2p^{n-2}]$   
(3<sup>rd</sup> highest value calculated is 95/95)

where,  $p = 0.95, q = 0.95$

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## Step 13 : Additional Uncertainty

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## Step 14 : Total Uncertainty

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# Conclusions

- CAREM has been developed based on the CSAU
- Main differences between CAREM and CSAU
  - Uncertainty parameters and their ranges are confirmed by experiment data cover (Step 9.2)
    - Code accuracy which is step 9 of the CSAU is evaluated in Step 9.1
  - CAREM adopted SRS calculation based on non-parametric statistics instead of response surface which is used in CSAU (Step 12)

# Thank you for your attention