

# **Evaluation of Degraded and Nonconforming Conditions for ASME III Div.1 and B31.1 Structures, Systems, and Components**

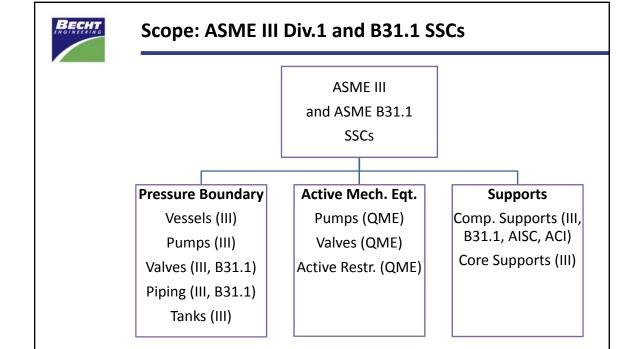
A Structured-Correct-Complete Approach

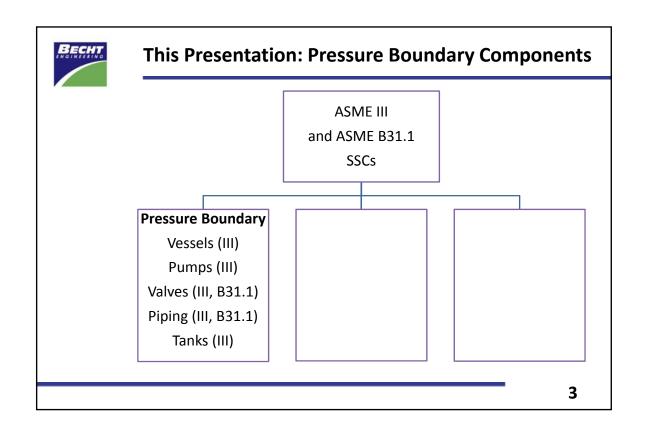
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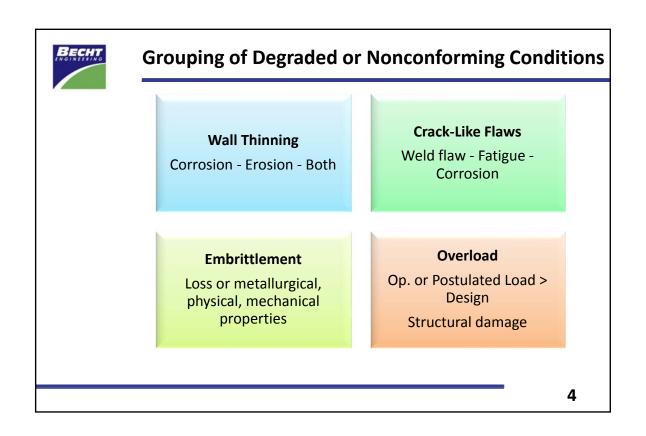
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# Pr. Boundary: Degraded or Nonconforming

#### **Wall Thinning**

Corrosion - Erosion - Both

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## **Wall Thinning**

- 1. ASME XI CC N-513\* (piping, moderate energy, pinhole leak) + RG 1.147
- 2. ASME XI CC N-597 (piping, high energy, without leak) + RG 1.147
- 3. ASME XI CC N-705 (vessel/tank, moderate energy, pinhole leak) + RG 1.147
- 4. ASME XI CC N-806 (buried pipe, high energy, without leak) not yet in RG 1.147
- 5. ASME III Ap. XIII (all components, was NB-3200 pre-2017) + 10CFR50.55(a)
- 6. ASME III Ap. XXVII (all components, was Ap. F\* pre-2017) + 10CFR50.55(a)
- 7. ASME XI Ap. U (piping, vessel/tank, moderate energy, pinhole)
- \* Acknowledged in current IMC-0326.



# Pr. Boundary: Degraded or Nonconforming

#### **Crack-Like Flaws**

Weld flaw - Fatigue -Corrosion

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#### Crack-Like

- 1. ASME XI IWA-3000\* (pre-qualified flaws) + 10CFR50.55(a)
- 2. ASME XI Ap. A (analytical evaluation of flaws)
- 3. ASME XI Ap. C (analytical evaluation of flaws in piping)
- 4. ASME XI Ap. H (analytical evaluation of flaws in piping, using FAD method)
- 5. ASME XI Ap. L (operating plants fatigue assessment)
- 6. ASME XI Ap. O (flaws in reactor vessel head penetrations)
- \* Acknowledged in current IMC-0326.



## Pr. Boundary: Degraded or Nonconforming

#### Overload

Op. or Postulated Load > Design Structural damage

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#### **Overload**

- Overload: An actual or postulated load that exceeds the design-basis of the SSC, or that was not analyzed at the design stage.
  - Examples:
    - Accidental over-pressure or accidental over-temperature
    - Flow-induced vibration in service
    - Locked snubber or physical interference
    - Seismic event exceeds OBE or SSE
    - Flood level exceeds design
    - etc
- Some overloads have been addressed through formal programs (seismic exceedance, flood exceedance, etc.)
- Other overloads are addressed ad-hoc (accidental over-pressure, over-temp.)
- ASME XI Task Group Beyond-Design-Basis has just started to look at overloads.



### **Conclusions**

- 1. It is essential to take a **Structured-Correct-Complete approach** to operability criteria for ASME SSCs. Such an approach is proposed here.
- Methods and criteria already exist in the ASME Codes for the evaluation of several types of degraded and nonconforming conditions of pressure boundary components.
- 3. Other degraded and nonconforming conditions are addressed in an **ad-hoc manner**, as explained here. They need to be developed. ASME is taking first steps regarding overloads.
- 4. A similar structured-correct-complete approach exists for active components, and support structures (not addressed here.)

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