

# **Verification & Validation:**

## **Measured Credibility, on Demand, for Stockpile Applications**

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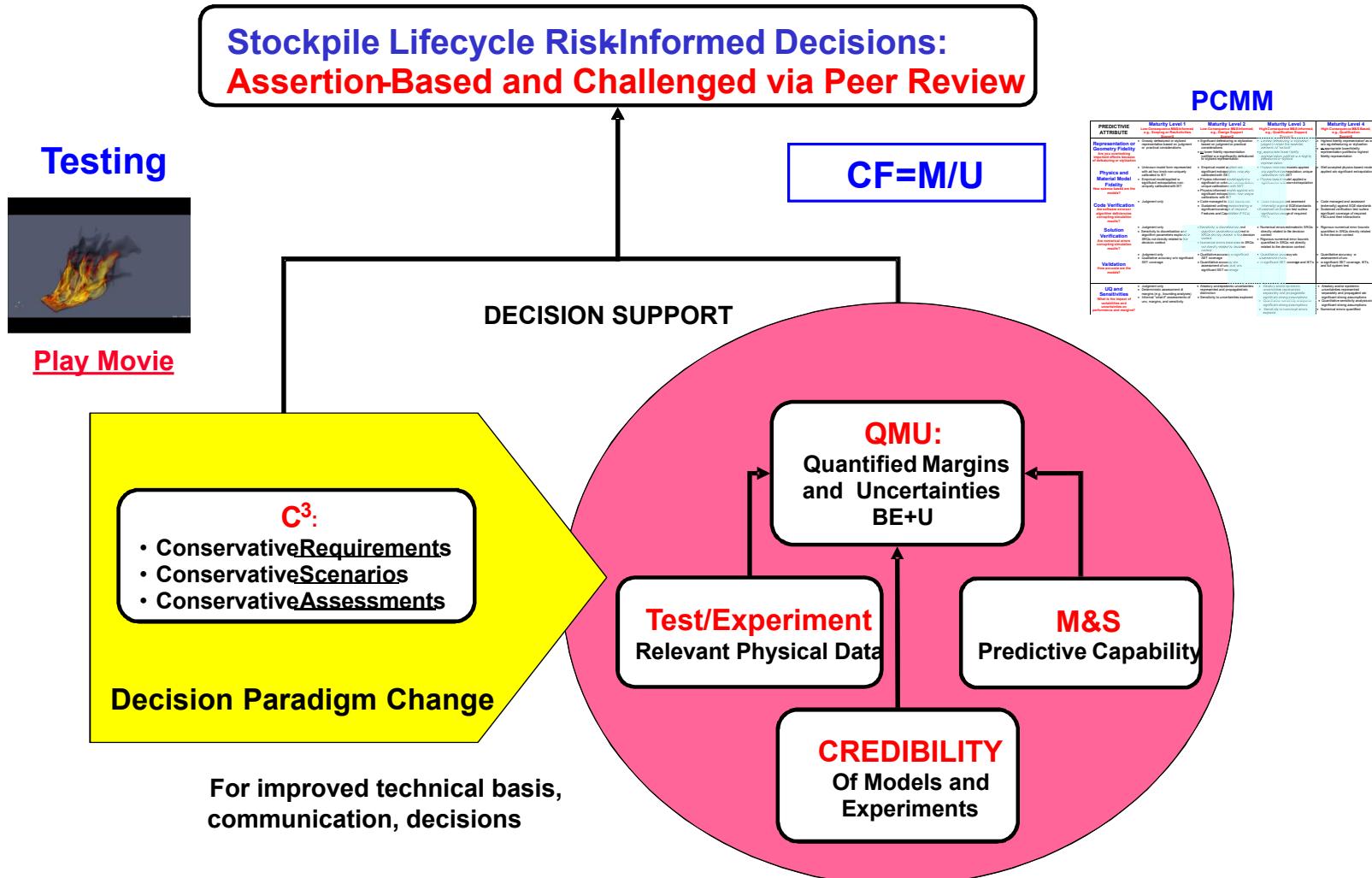
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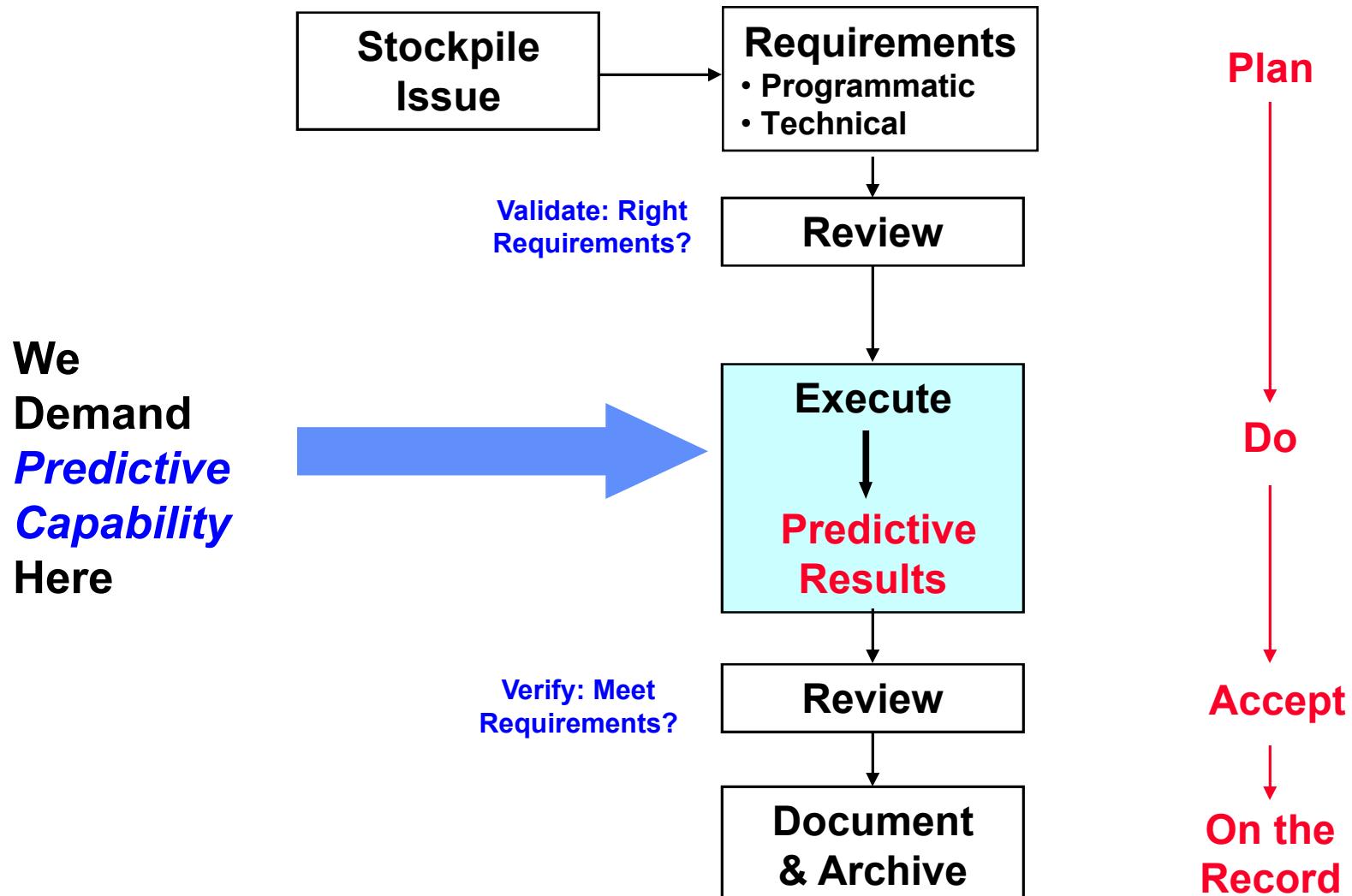
- **Stockpile Applications**
  - There *is* a decision context: High consequence design and decision making associated with nuclear weapons
- **On Demand**
  - Agility and responsiveness are critical to the nuclear weapons complex of the future
- **Measured Credibility**
  - What's the “certificate of credibility” that accompanies M&S results

# M&S Increasingly Contributes to Risk-Informed Decisions at Sandia



# High Consequence Issues Demand Predictive Capability

## Concepts of Stockpile Computing: SAND2004-2479





# What Does it Mean “to Predict”?

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American Heritage Dictionary:

- **Predict:** To state, tell about, or make known in advance, especially on the basis of *special knowledge*\*

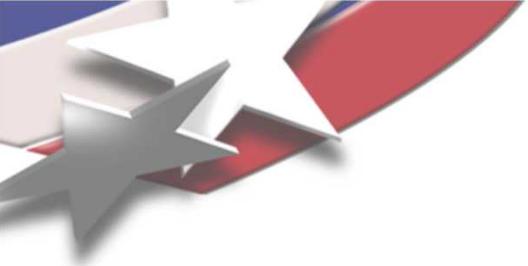
**What *special knowledge* do we demand  
of M&S to assert a predictive capability  
and how do we communicate it?**



# You Can't Measure and Communicate "it" Unless You Know What "it" Is

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- **Some Attributes of Predictive Capability**
  - Representation or geometric fidelity
  - Physics and material model fidelity (predictive science)
  - Code verification
  - Solution verification
  - Validated models
  - Uncertainty quantification with sensitivity analysis



# How Much is Enough?

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Increasing Rigor  
Expected

- Sufficiency can only be discussed in an application context
- Graded approach
  - Maturity Level 1:
    - Low-consequence, M&S-informed (e.g., scoping studies)
  - Maturity Level 2:
    - Low-consequence, M&S-informed (e.g., design support)
  - Maturity Level 3:
    - High-consequence, M&S-informed (e.g., qual support)
  - Maturity Level 4:
    - High-consequence, M&S-based (e.g., qualification)
- Negotiate expectations for future work or communicate maturity for work already done

# This is Where We Are Going

## Predictive Capability Maturity Model (PCMM)

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## Why PCMM?

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- Educate the decision maker about what should be expected from M&S
- Measure/communicate process maturity (not adequacy of results) associated with M&S in a decision context
- Provide program vision so that technical and infrastructure needs can be leveraged across multiple funding lines to enhance the credibility of M&S results
- Speak to the *whats*, not dictate the *hows*

**Setting the National Agenda in V&V**

# Representation or Geometric Fidelity

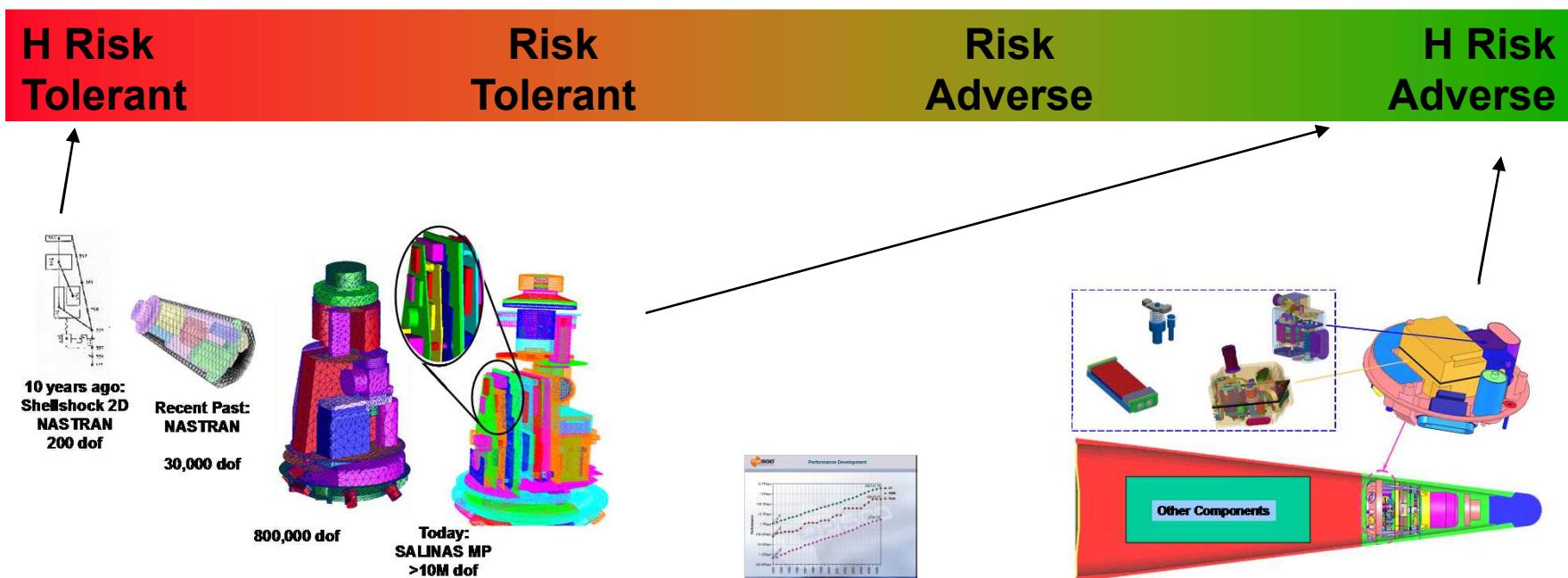
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Grossly defeatured or stylized

Significant D&S based on judgment

Limited D&S judged to retain the essential elements of "as built"

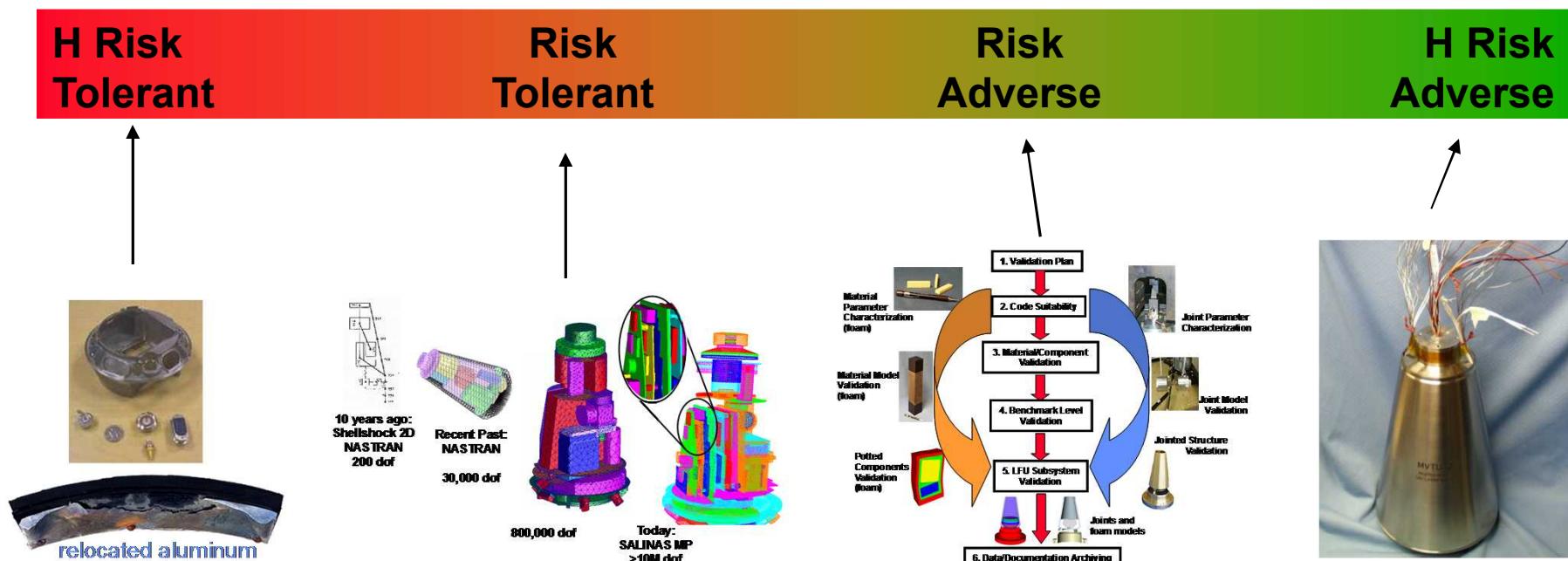
Highest fidelity representation "as built" w/o significant D&S



# Physics and Material Model Fidelity

## Are the models science-based?

Unknown model form or empirical model form applied w sig extrap	Empirical model form applied w/o sig extrap or physics informed model applied w sig/unk extrap	Physics-informed model applied w/o sig extrap or physics based model applied w sig/unk extrap	Physics-based model applied w/o sig extrap
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# Code Verification

## Are software errors or algorithm deficiencies corrupting simulation results?

Judgment only

Code managed to SQE standards

Sustained unit/regression tests w sig coverage of F&C

SQE +assessment + sustained VERTS w sig coverage of F&C

SQE(A) + VERTS w sig coverage of F&C interactions

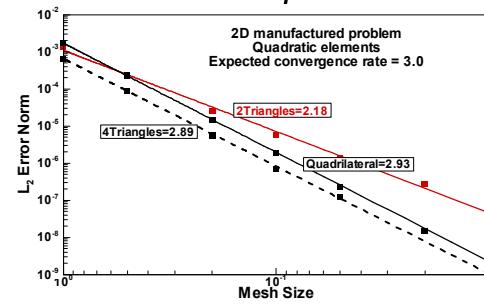
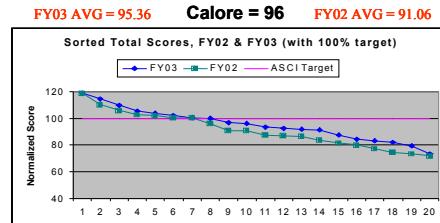
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Code/Code Comparisons



		Verification Test Suite		
	Features & Capabilities	Unit Tests	VERT 1	VERT 2
Code A	FC1	UT1	VT1	
	FC2	UT1	VT1	
	FC3	UT2	VT1	
	FC4	UT3	VT1	
	FC5			
Code B	FC6	UT4		VT2
	FC7	UT5		VT2
	FC8	UT6		
	FC9	UT7		VT3
	FC10	UT8		VT3
Code or Applic Perspective		$f = \frac{\sum_{r=1}^{NFC} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{Nv} C_r \right)}{NFC \sum_{r=1}^{NFC} C_r}$		
Line or Cap Coverage		80%		
Capability+Interaction Coverage		3.22%		

# Solution Verification

## Are numerical errors corrupting simulation results?

Judgment only

Explore sensitivity to discretization and algorithm parameters

Estimate numerical errors

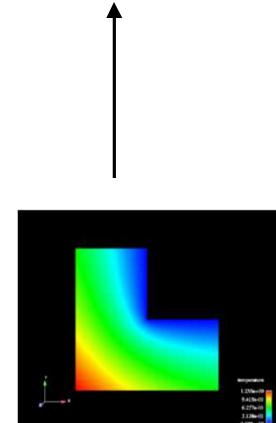
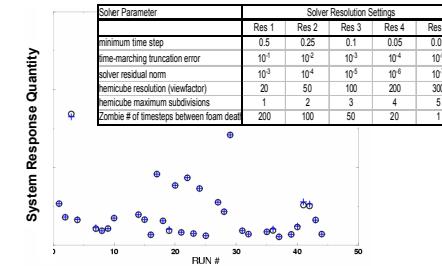
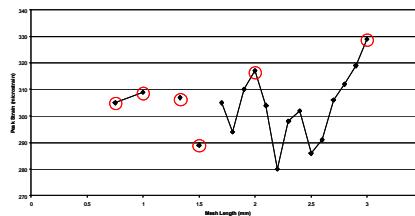
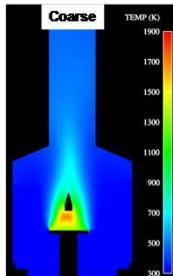
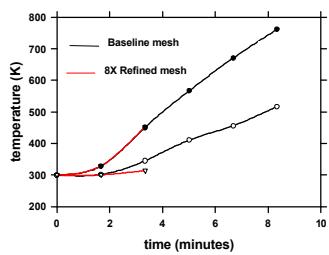
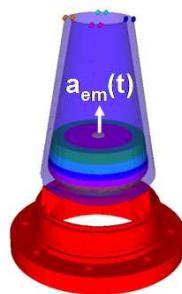
Quantify rigorous numerical error bounds

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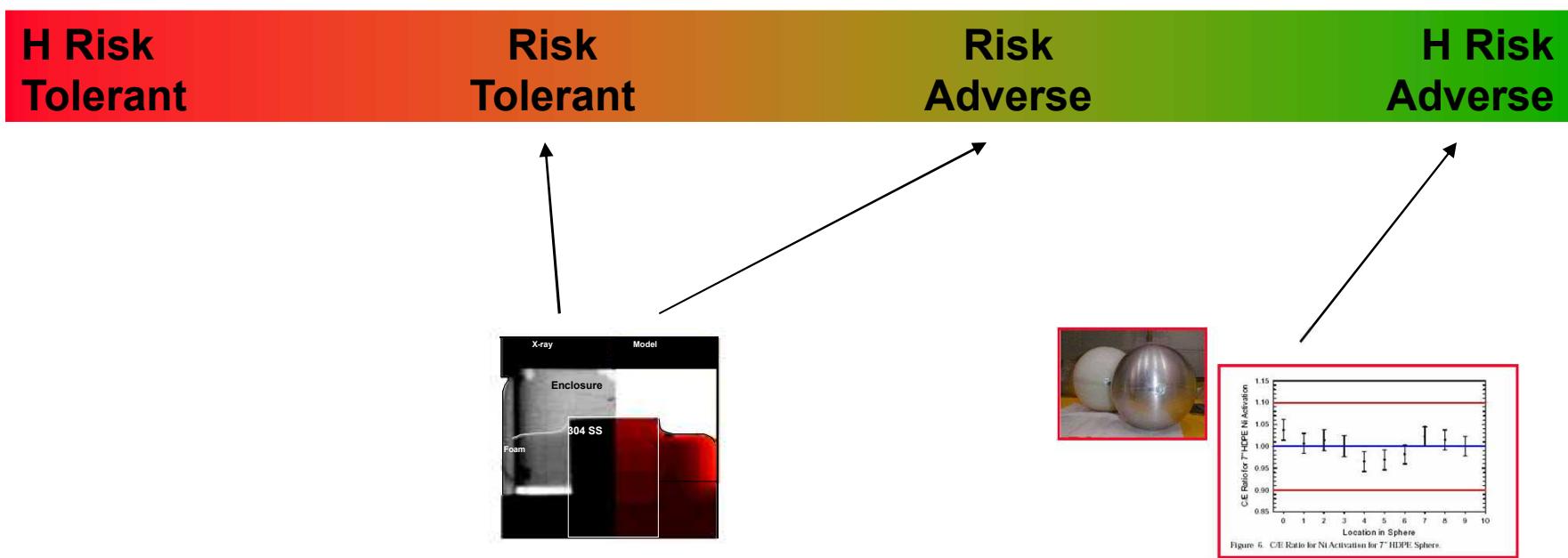
## How accurate are the models?

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Qual accuracy w SET coverage

Quantitative accuracy w/o assessment of unc and w SET coverage and IETs

Quantitative accuracy w assessment of unc and SET coverage and IETs and full system



# Uncertainty Quantification and Sensitivities

## What is the impact of variabilities and uncertainties on performance and margins?

Judgment only  
Deterministic assessment of margins or informal “what if” studies

Aleatory and epistemic unc represented w/o distinction  
Sensitivities explored

Aleatory/epistemic unc interpreted separately w strong assumptions  
Sensitivities w strong assumptions  
Sensitivity to numerical errors exp

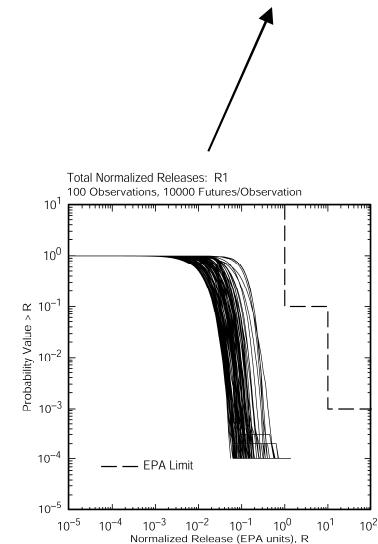
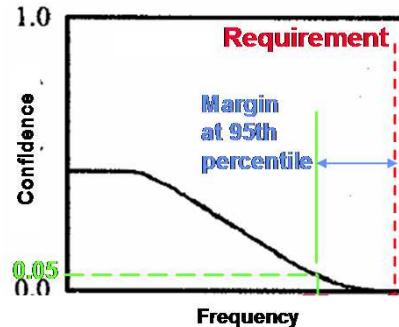
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## Adaptivity

## Codes and Platforms

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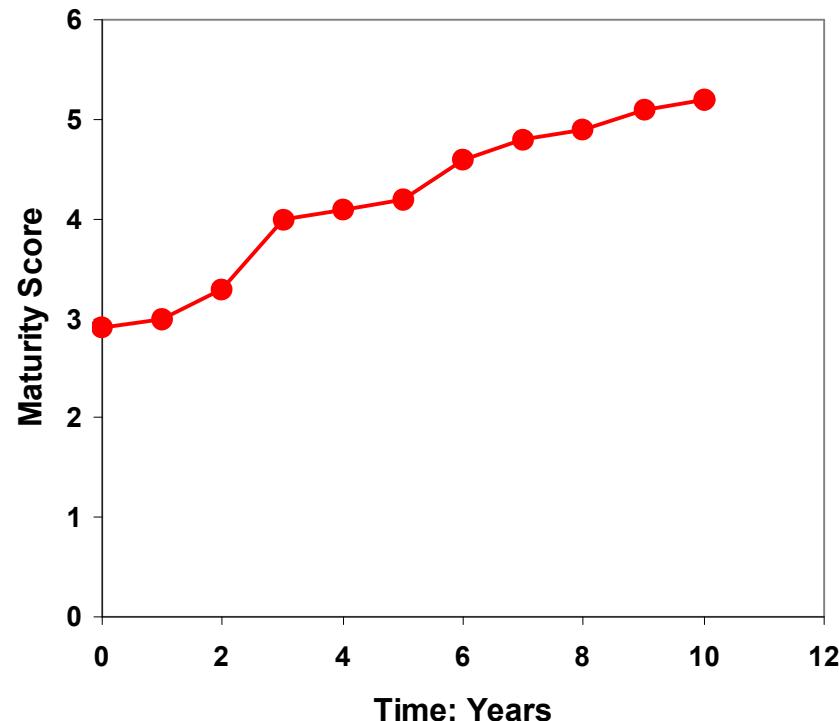
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# Measure Progress Over Time

## Application: Legacy Weapon in Fuel Fire

	Rollup Scores	Avg/Avg Score	Avg/Min Score
Representation or Geometric Fidelity			
Fire Environment	4.5	4.0	4.0
Weapon	5.0	5.0	5.0
Physics and Material Model Fidelity			
Fire Environment	3.2	3.0	1.0
Fuel vaporization from spill	2.0	2.0	2.0
Fluid mechanics	4.0	4.0	4.0
Turbulent mixing	3.0	3.0	3.0
Combustion	4.0	4.0	4.0
Emmission	2.0	2.0	2.0
Radiative transport to weapon	4.0	4.0	4.0
Convective transport to weapon	2.0	2.0	2.0
Weapon Thermal Response	3.3	3.3	0.0
Code Verification			
Fire Environment	2.0	2.0	2.0
Weapon Thermal Response	2.0	2.0	2.0
Solution Verification			
Fire environment	1.5	1.0	1.0
Weapon thermal response	2.0	2.0	2.0
Validation			
Fire Environment	2.1	1.6	0.0
Weapon Thermal Response	2.3	2.3	0.0
UQ/SA		4.0	4.0



Note: all scores are notional



# ***Measured Credibility*, on Demand, for Stockpile Applications**

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- Decision makers need to understand predictive capability in order to make informed decisions and to efficiently leverage and make use of research dollars
- Progress in predictive capability needs to be measured in each individual decision context
  - Predictive capability is more than geometric fidelity or even physics fidelity
  - There is a need to define sufficiency (or adequacy) in each attribute of predictive capability
- The **Predictive Capability Maturity Model** provides a graded approach to assessing and measuring predictive capability for specific applications

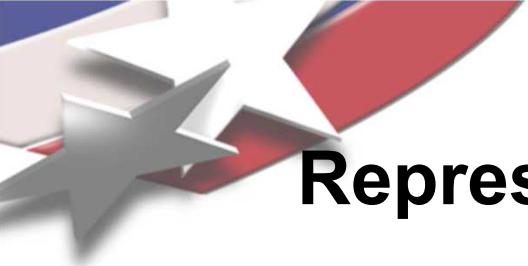


# The Credibility of M&S is Critical

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**“Due diligence means asking *all* the questions, even if you don’t think you’ll like the answers.”**



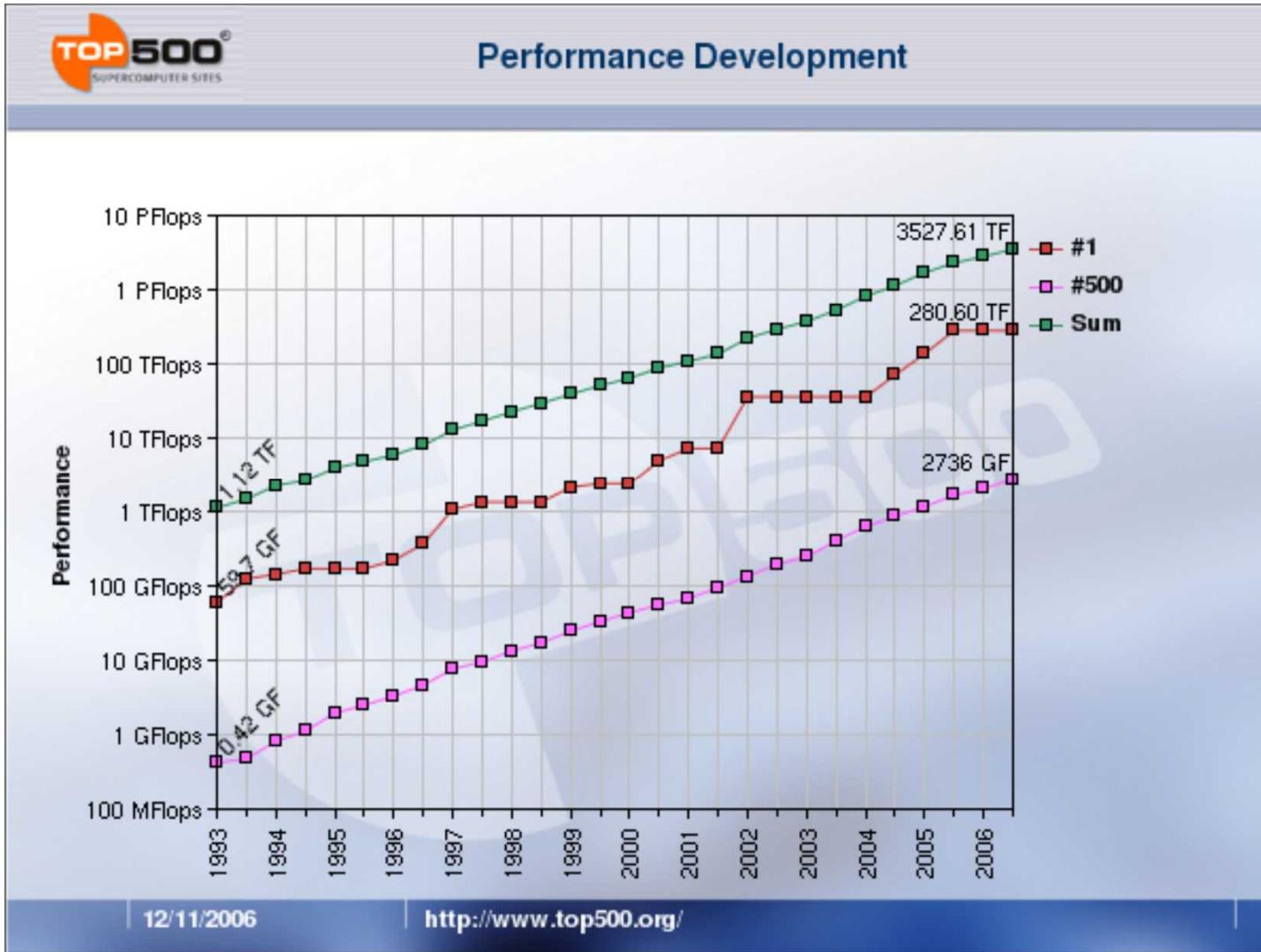
# Representational (Geometric) Fidelity

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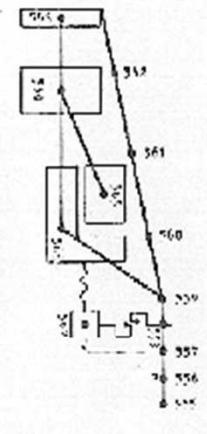
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# Imagine the Future!

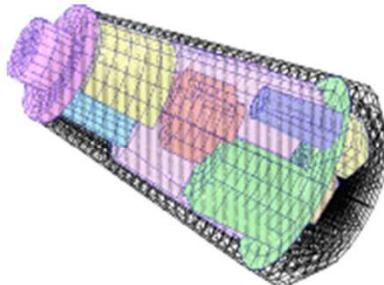
## Computing Speed - Dec. 2006



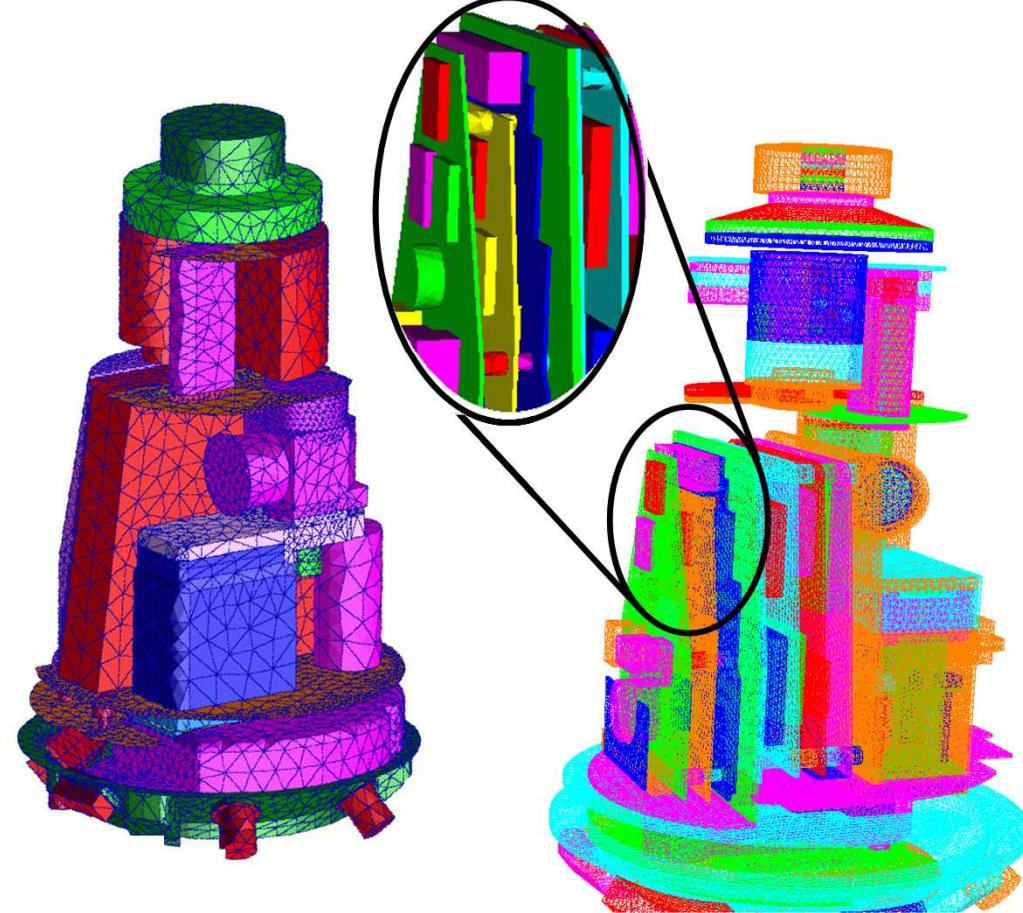
# Progress in Representational Fidelity in Structural Dynamics



**10 years ago:  
Shellshock 2D  
NASTRAN  
200 dof**



**Recent Past:  
NASTRAN  
30,000 dof**



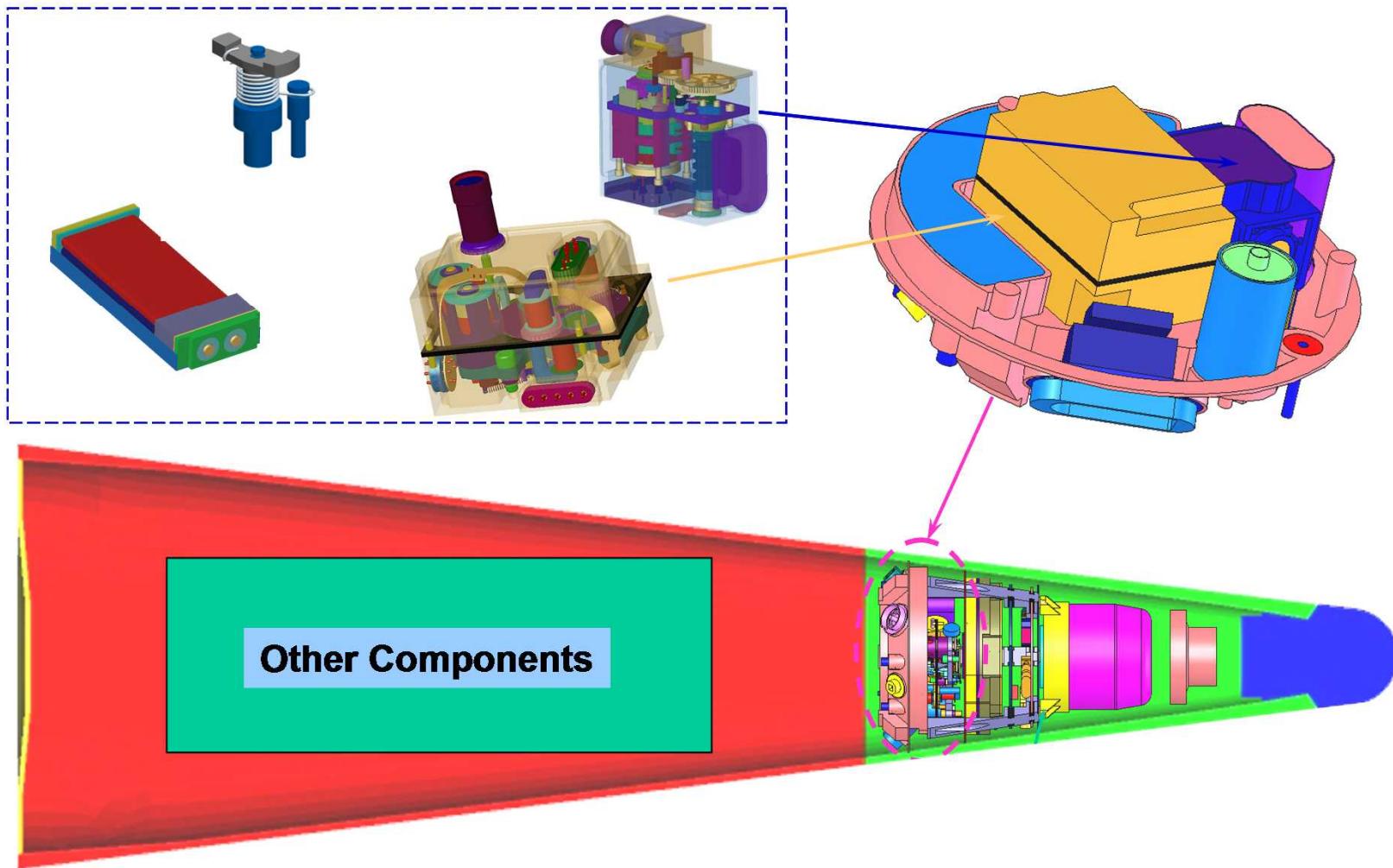
**800,000 dof**

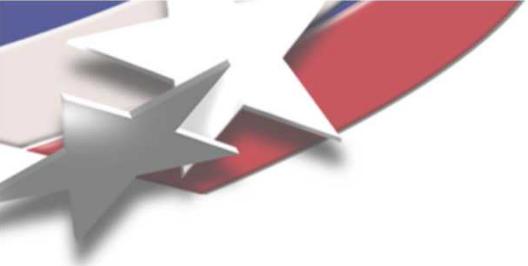
**Today:  
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>10M dof**



# Progress in Representational Fidelity Thermal Modeling

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# Physics Fidelity

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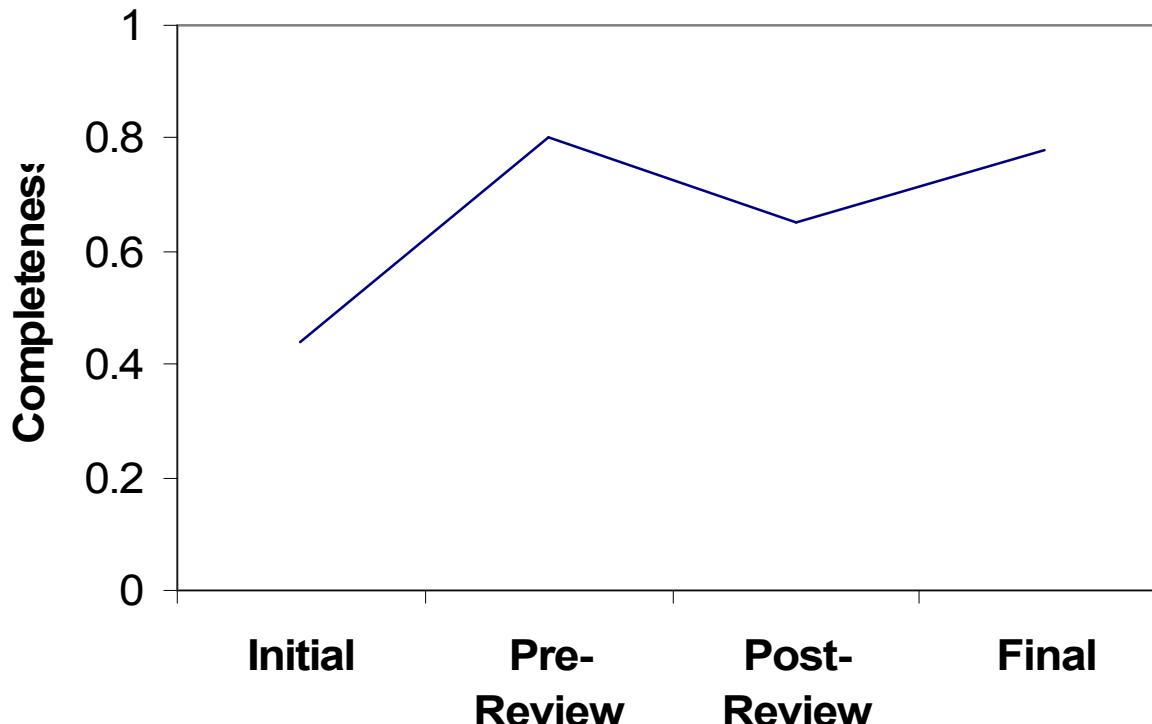
# Phenomena Identification and Ranking Tables (PIRT)

Establish efficiency and sufficiency of activities

Phenomena	Importance	Adequacy		
		Model	Code	Validation
P1	H	H	M	L
P2	M	M	L	L
P3	L	L	L	L

Gap = 5

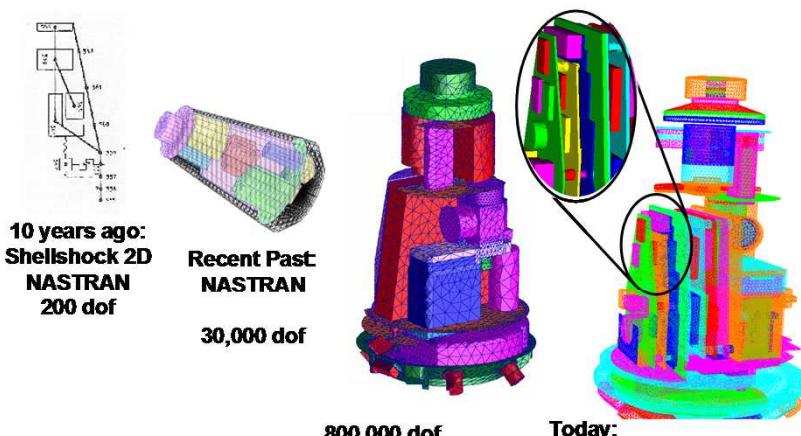
Completeness = 0.44



# Low Physics Fidelity

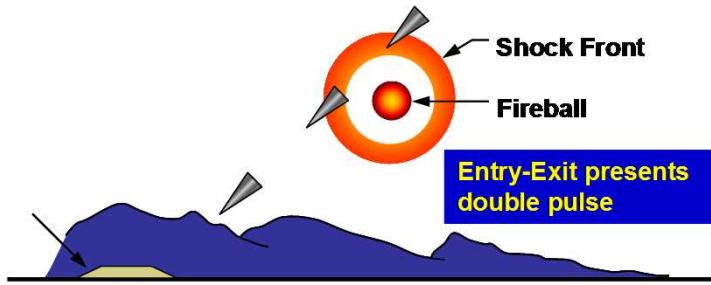


- Conduct blast test

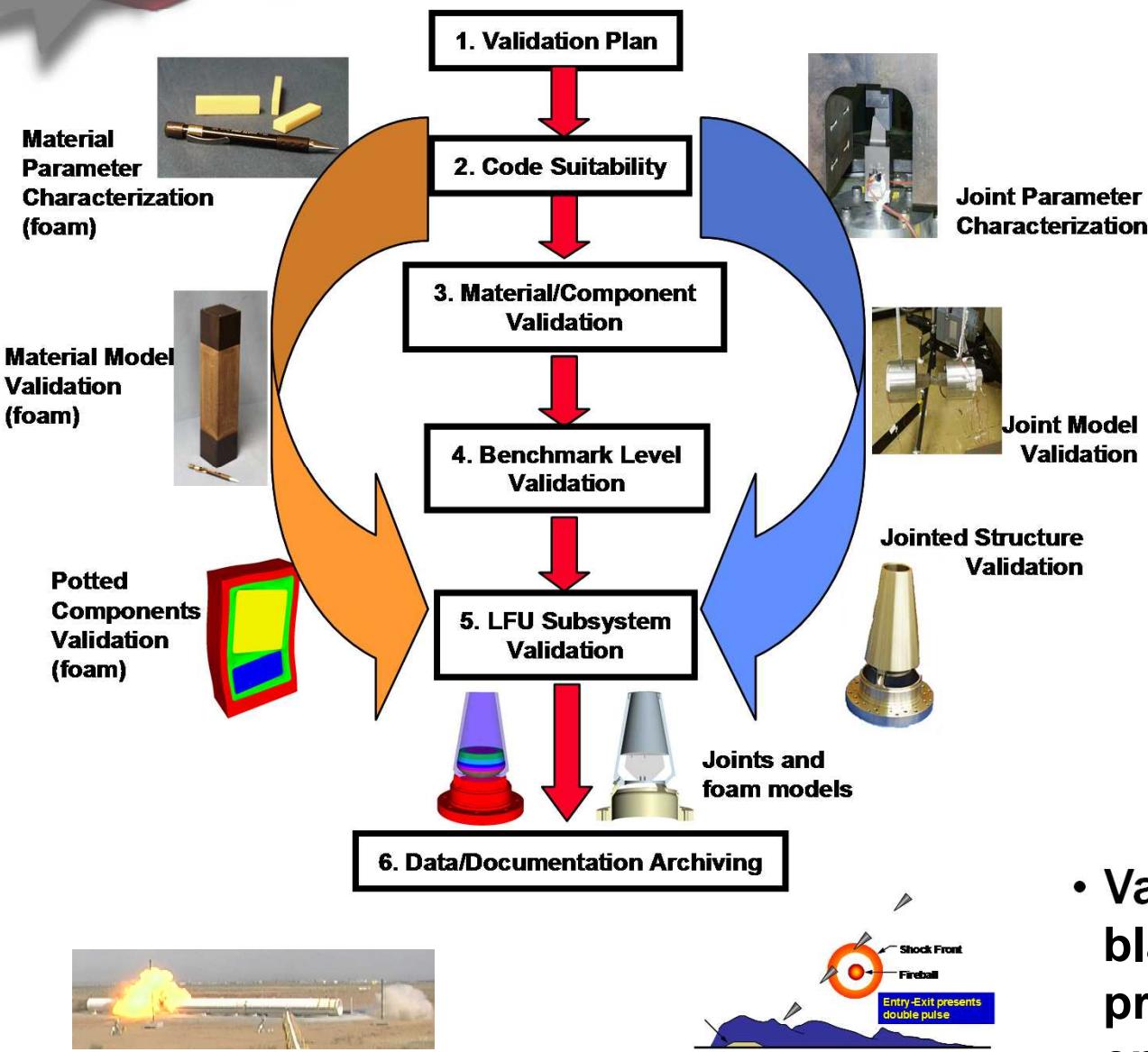


- Calibrate model to blast test using global **stiffness** and **damping** parameters: **knobs that act as surrogates for missing or unknown physics**

- Use calibrated model to make prediction in tactical environments



# Improving Physics Fidelity



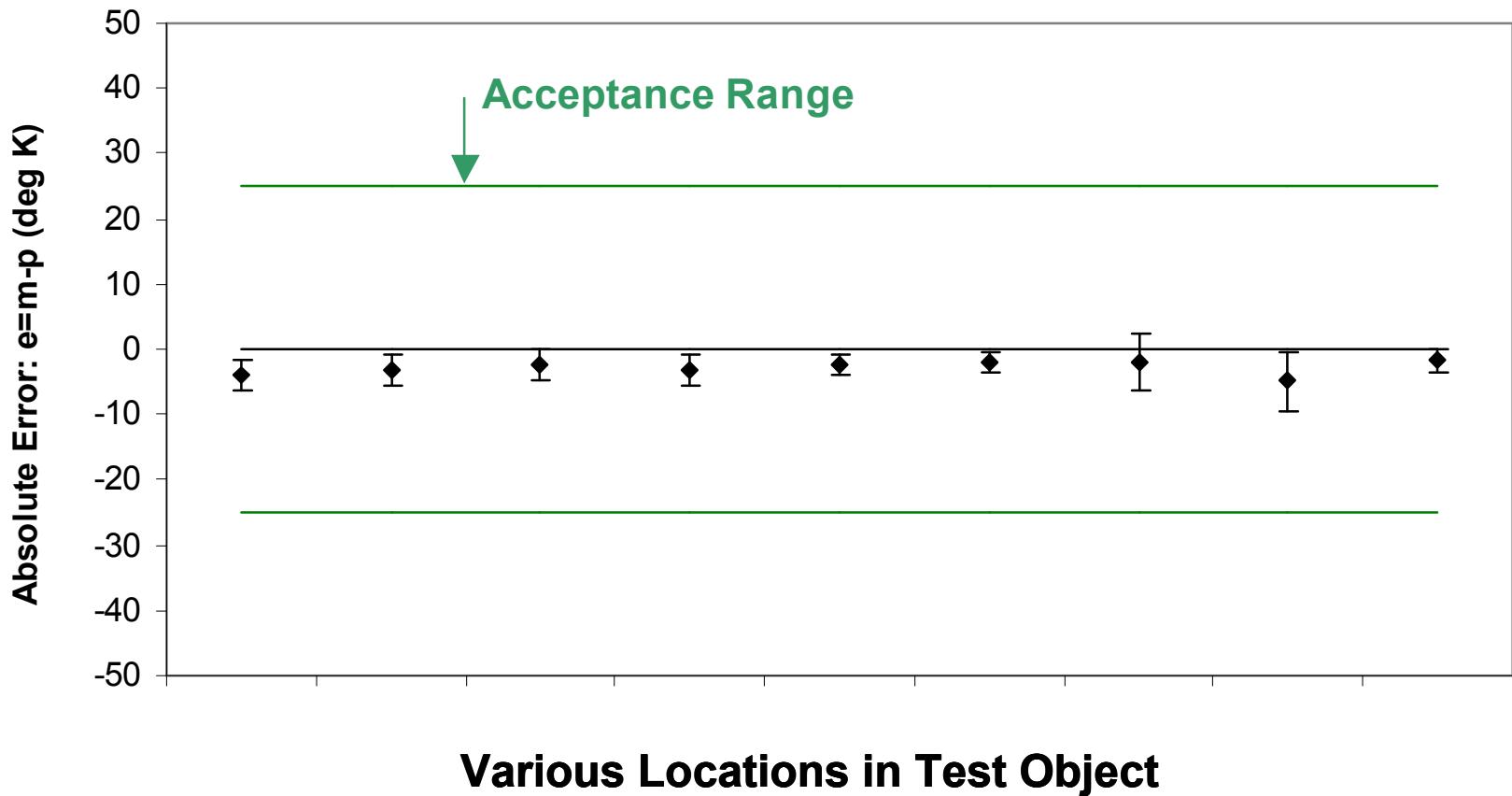
- Physics-informed models validated against separate effects tests

- Validate against blast test and make prediction in tactical environments



# Well Established Physics Fidelity

$e \sim 2K$  for conduction



Various Locations in Test Object



# Code Readiness

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## Hyperlinks

# Attributes of Verification

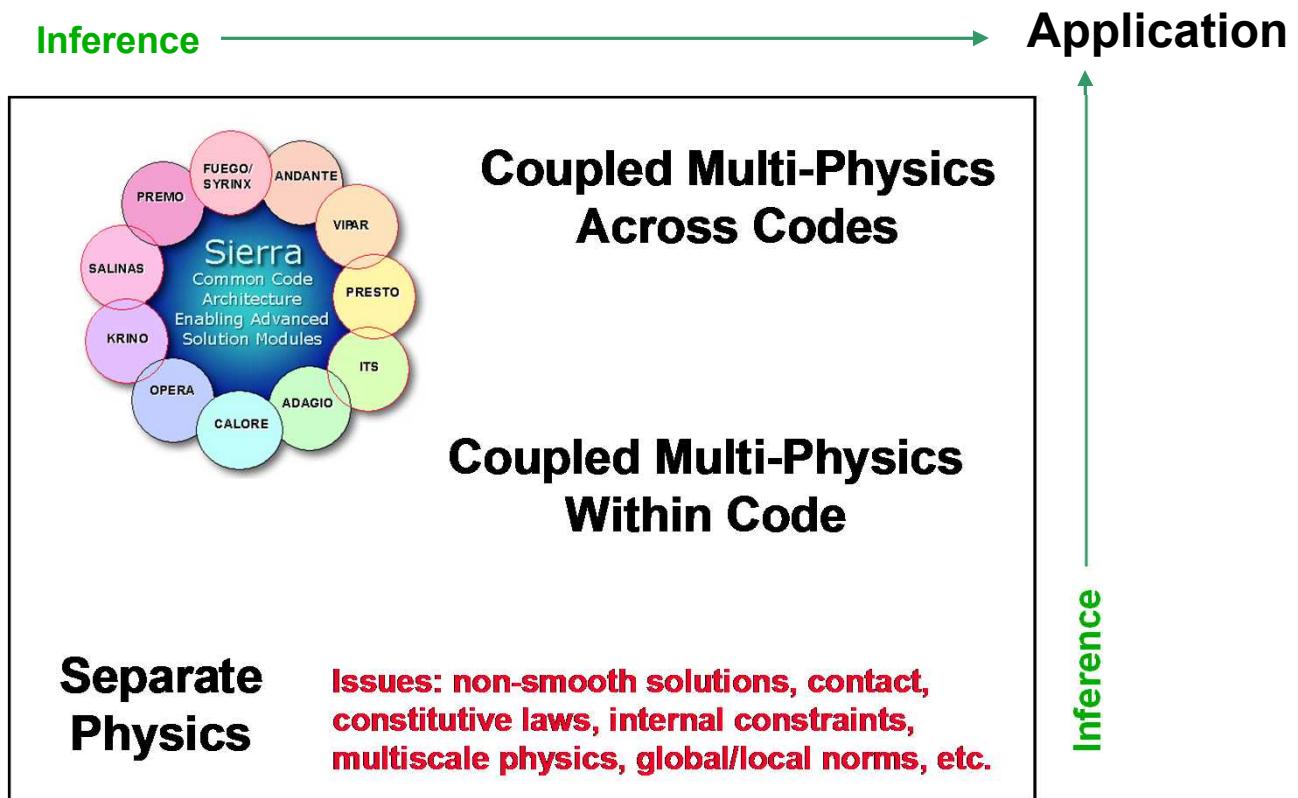
Demonstrating **Convergence to Correct Answer**  
for the **Intended Application**

- Solution Verification: **Convergence for intended application, but is it the right answer?**
- **Address adequacy of spatial AND temporal AND other discretizations AND numerical knobs**

## Regression Testing

SQE(A)

Pilch – VV 2007



Code Verification: **Convergence to correct answer, wrong application**

- **Eliminate code bugs AND inadequate algorithms**



# Code to Code Comparisons Are a Poor Substitute for Formal Verification

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## Code Comparison Principle (CCP)

**Code 1 = assessed code      Code 2 = benchmark code**

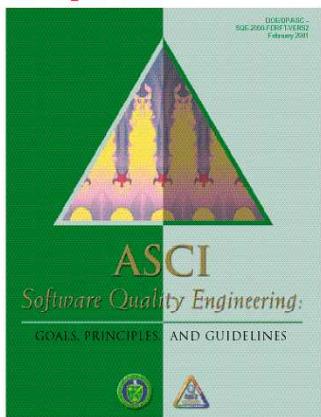
$$\| \text{Code 1} - \text{Truth} \| \leq \| \text{Code 1} - \text{Code 2} \| + \| \text{Code 2} - \text{Truth} \|$$

- $\| \text{Code 1} - \text{Code 2} \|$  - **What if this term is not negligible?**
  - Could be that Code 1 models are different from Code 2 models
  - Could be a bug in Code 1 or Code 2
  - Could be an algorithm flaw in Code 1 or Code 2
  - Could be that Code 1 or Code 2 model is not converged

Points to path for better code-to-code comparisons; but if Code 2 is formally verified, why not verify Code 1 to the same verification test suite? And if not, why bother with the code-to-code comparison?

# SQE(A): Demonstrated Due Diligence in the Stewardship of Codes

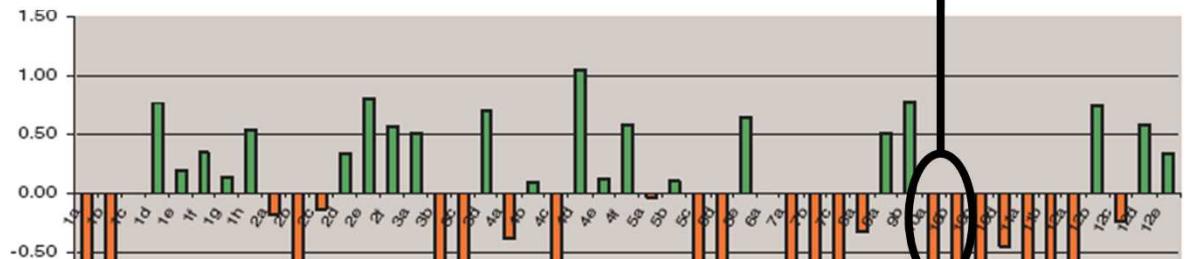
## Requirements



FY03 AVG = 95.36

## SourceForge: Issue Tracking

## Improvement

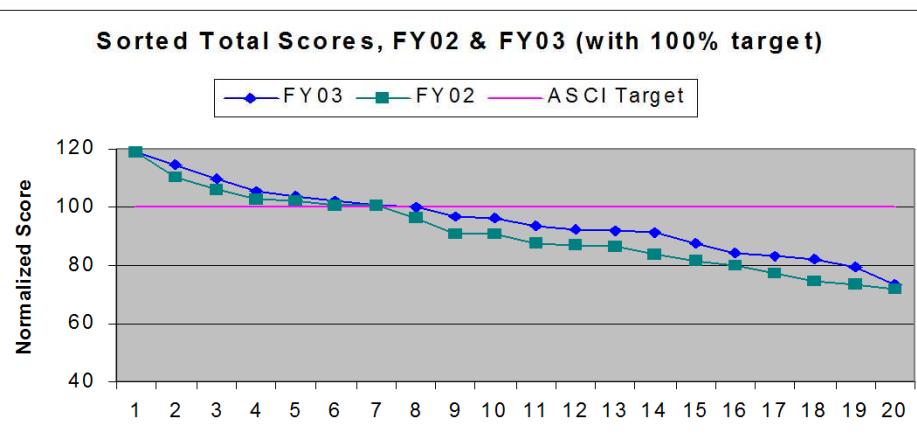


Calore = 96

FY02 AVG = 91.06

Sorted Total Scores, FY02 & FY03 (with 100% target)

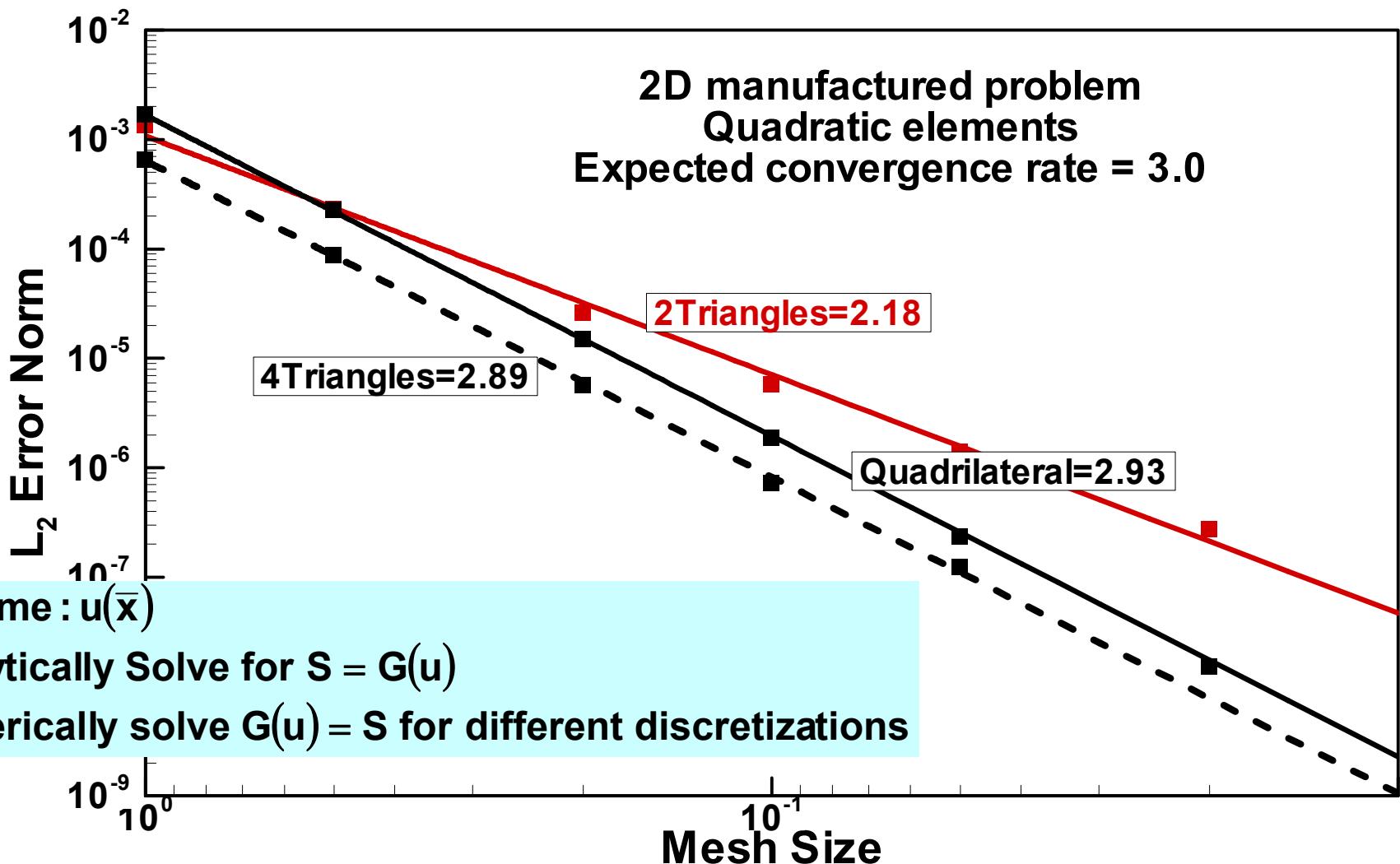
— FY03 ■ FY02 — ASCI Target



## Assessments

# Verification with Manufactured Solution

## CEPTRE: Radiation Transport



# Measuring Progress in Code Verification Coverage and Interactions

		Verification Test Suite				
Features & Capabilities		Unit Tests	VERT 1	VERT 2	VERT 3	Ideal
Code A	FC1		VT1			
	FC2	UT1	VT1			
	FC3	UT2	VT1			
	FC4	UT3	VT1			
	FC5			VT2		
Code B	FC6	UT4		VT2		
	FC7	UT5		VT2		
	FC8	UT6				VT3
	FC9	UT7				VT3
	FC10	UT8				VT3
Code or Appl Perspective		Line or Cap Coverage	$f = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{Nverts} \left( \sum_{r=1}^{nv} C_r \right)_i}{\sum_{r=1}^{NFC} NFC C_r}$			
		80%	Capability+Interaction Coverage 3.22%			



# **Solution Verification**

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## **Hyperlinks**

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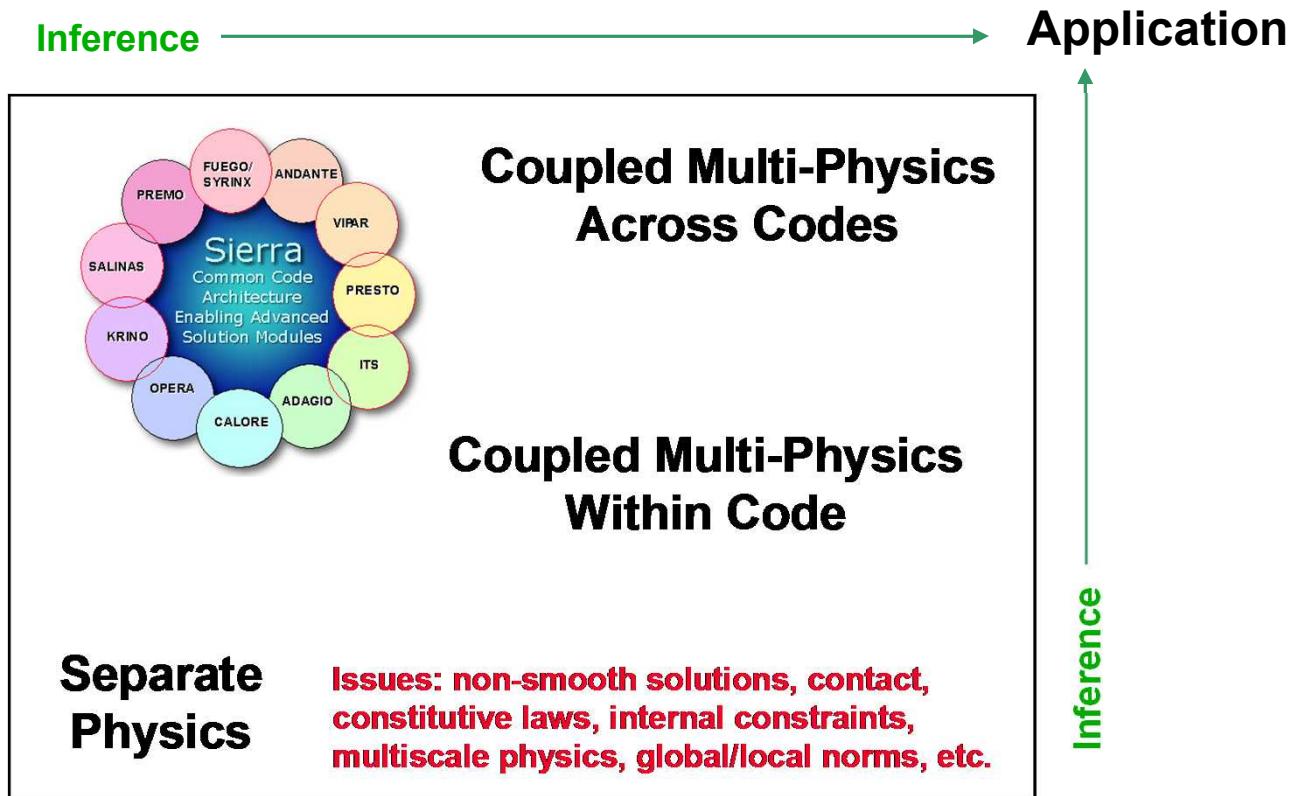
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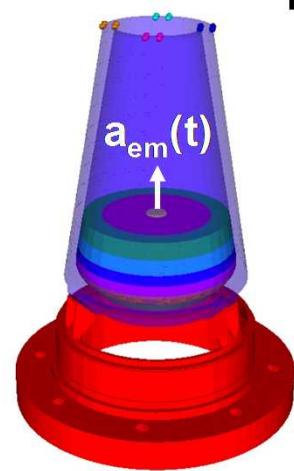
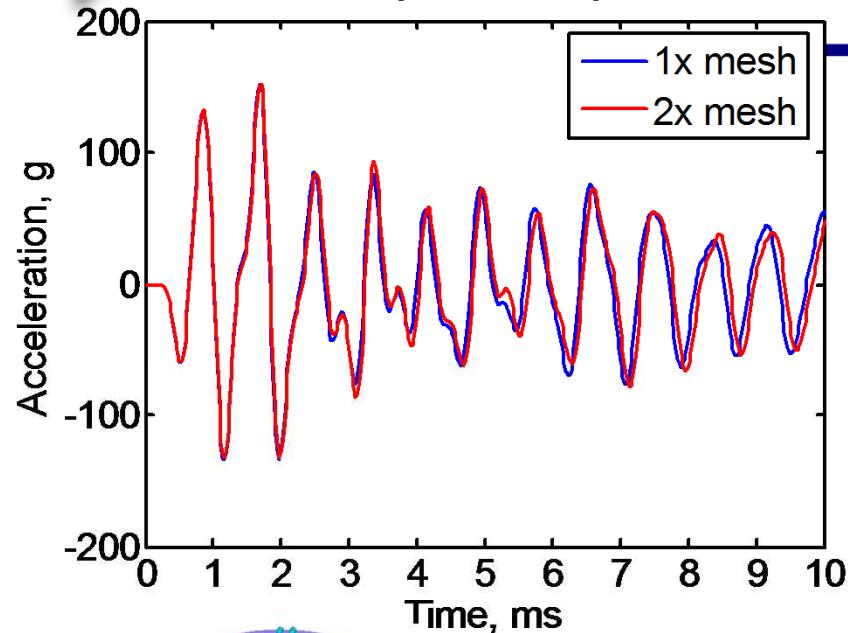
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# Sensitivity to Mesh Parameters

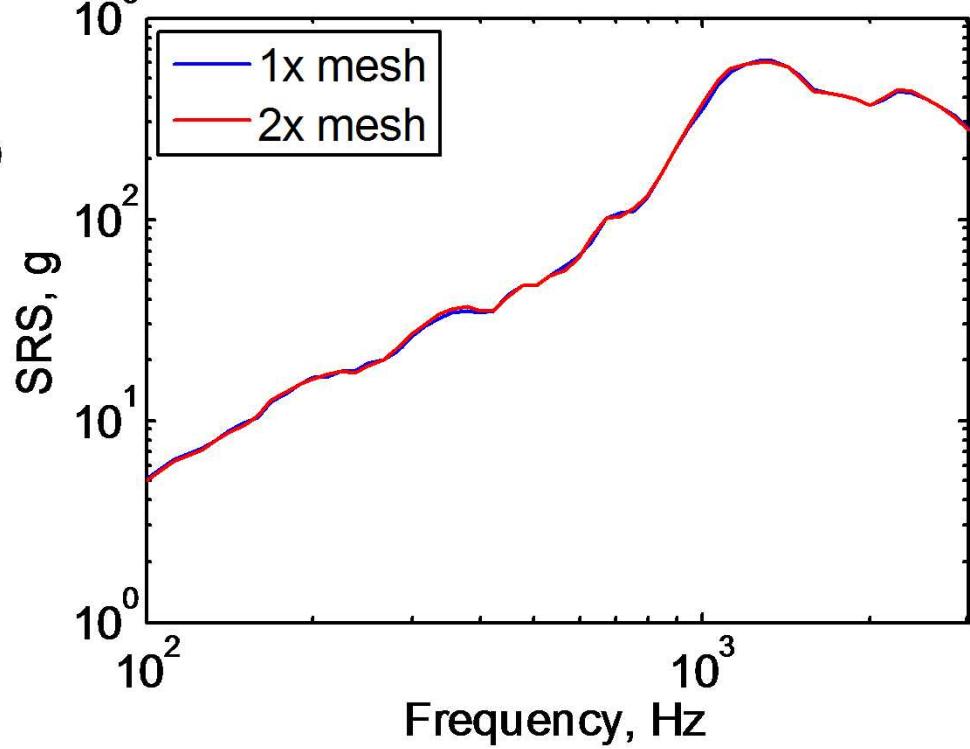
## Structural Dynamics

Acceleration response at top of enc. mass



Max. relative error between SRS: +/- 5%

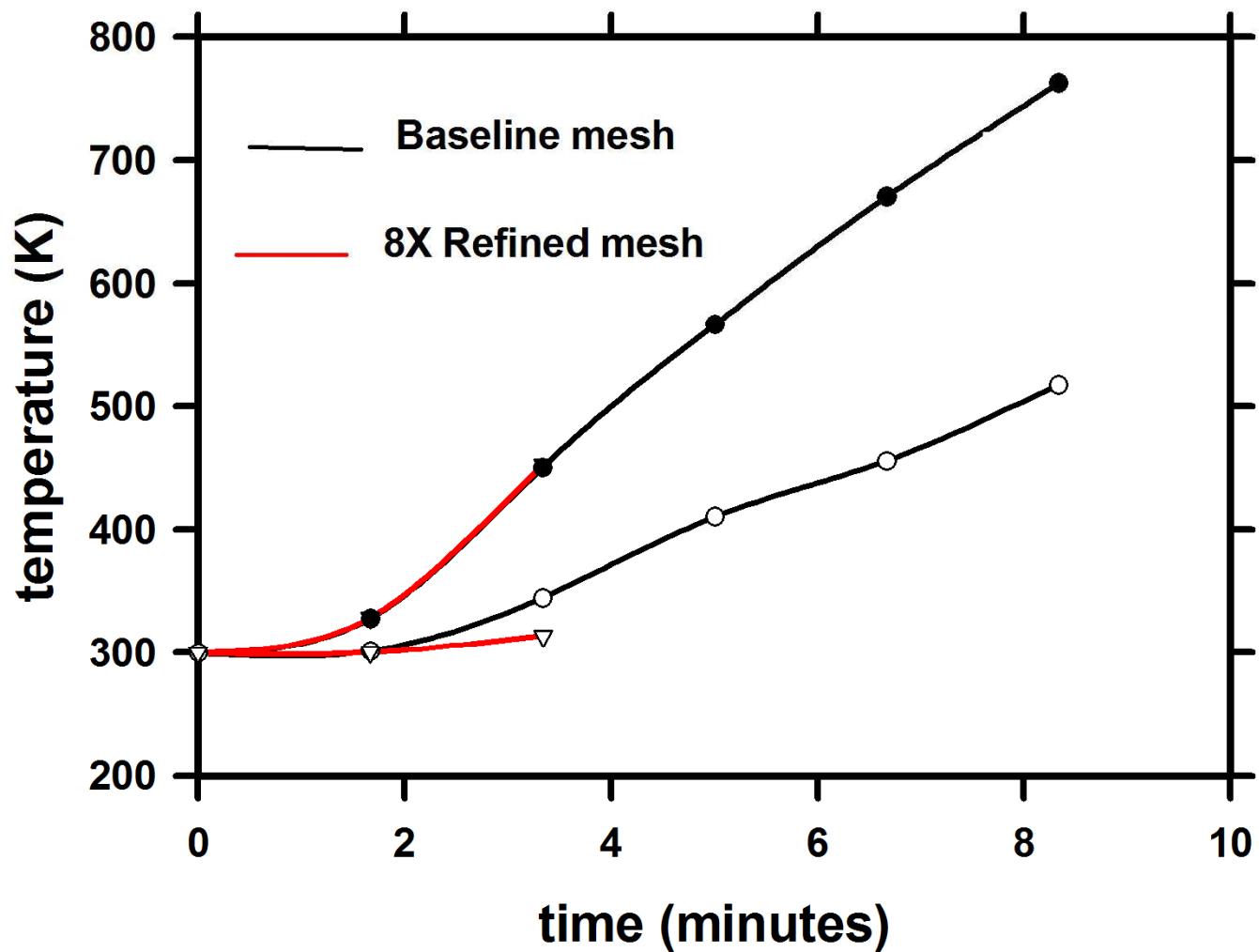
Shock response spectra at top of enc. mass

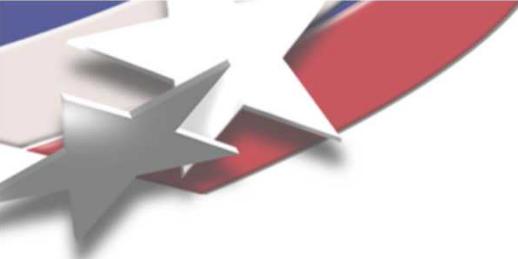




# Solution Verification on High Fidelity Models is Hard

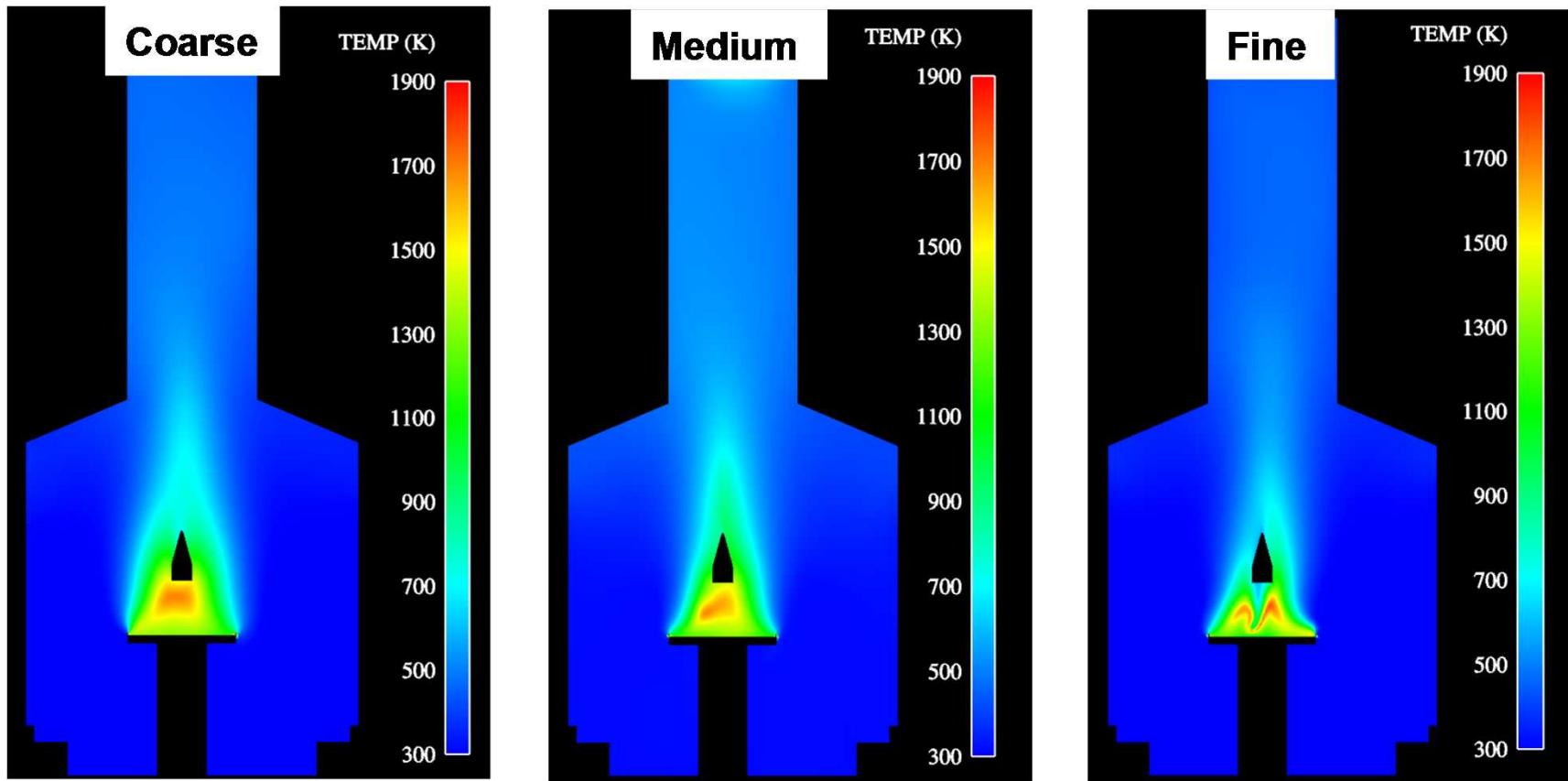
**Solution Verification: Is the Discretization Adequate?**





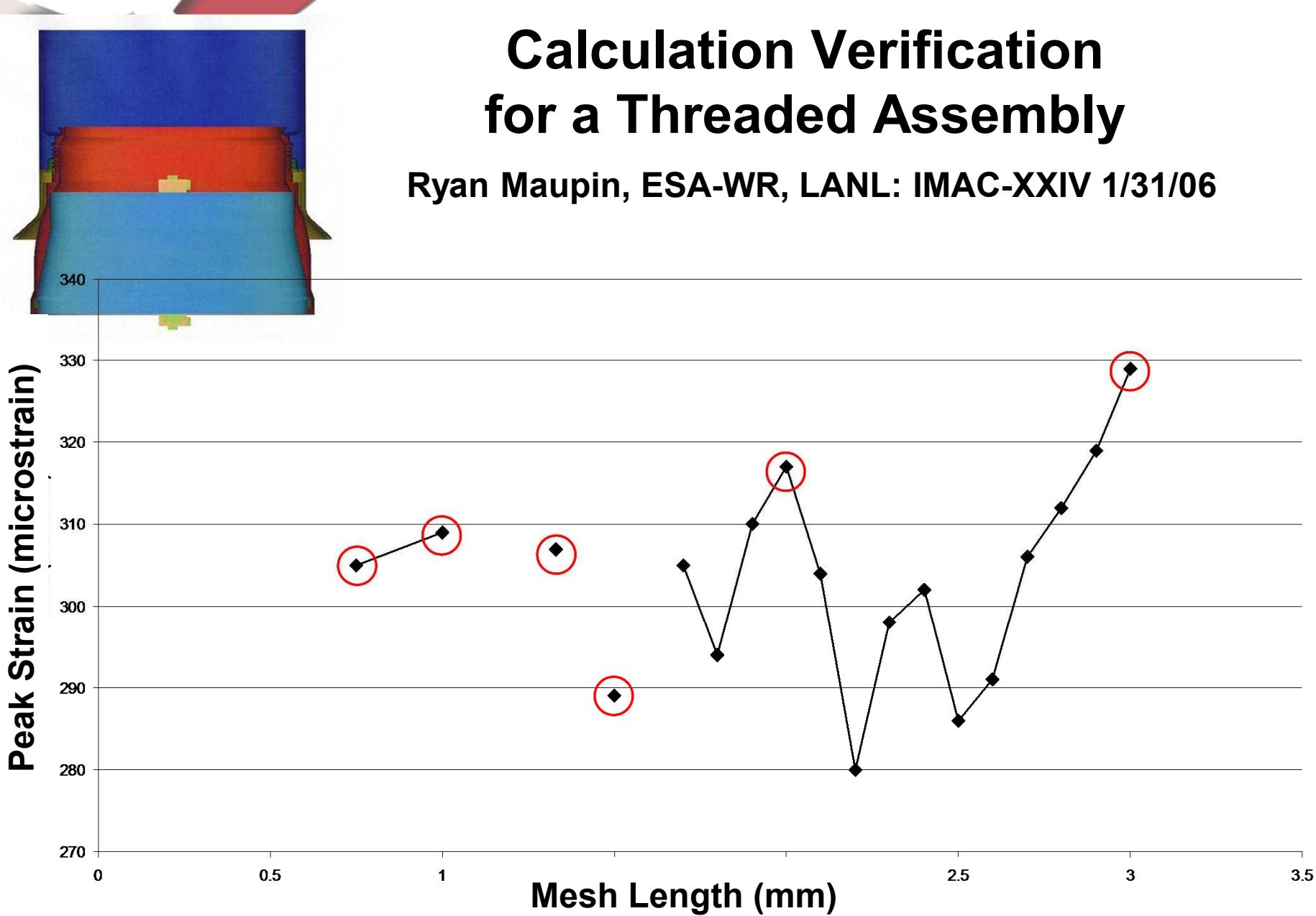
# Calorimeter Fire BVG Solutions

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# Calculation Verification for a Threaded Assembly

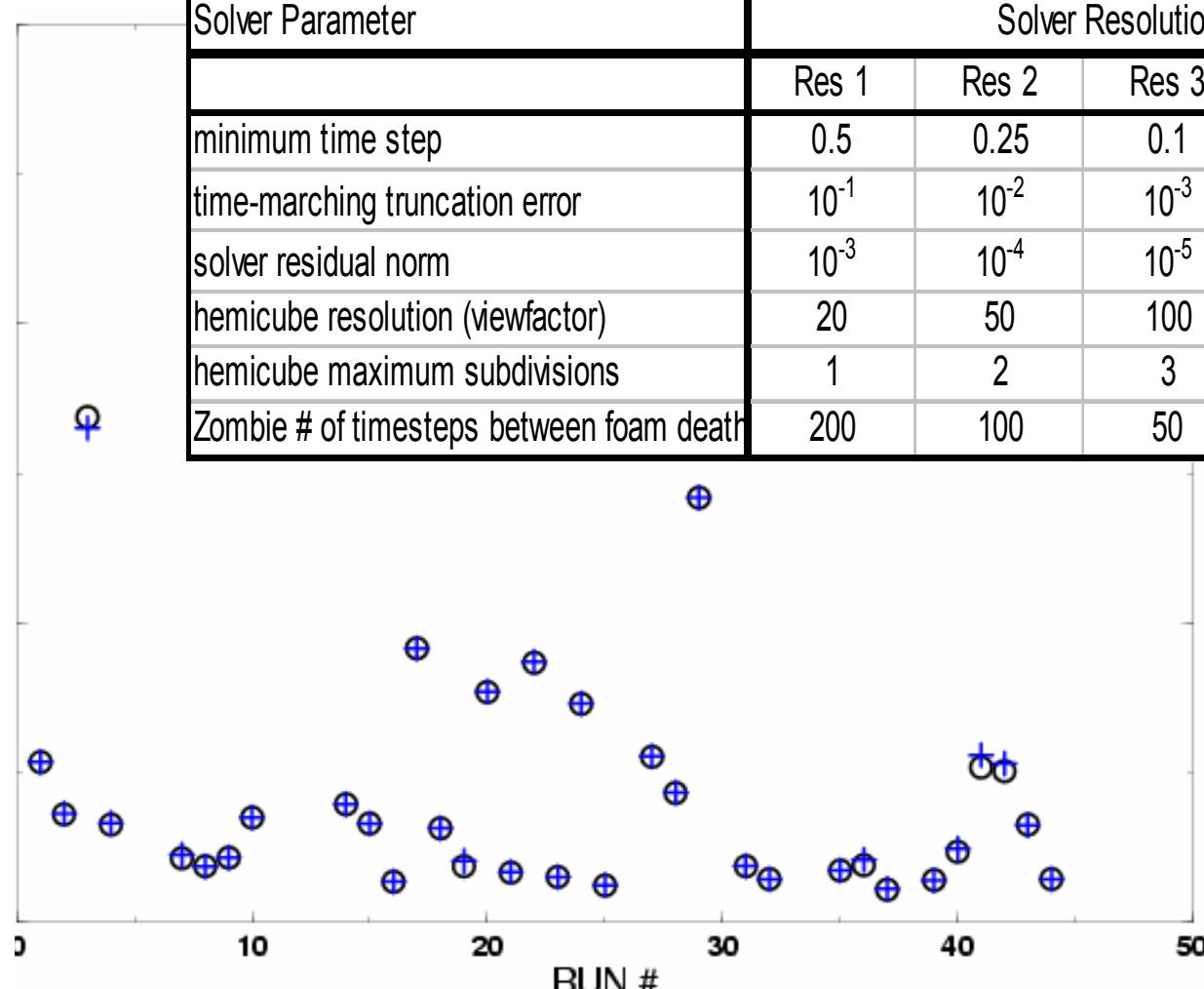
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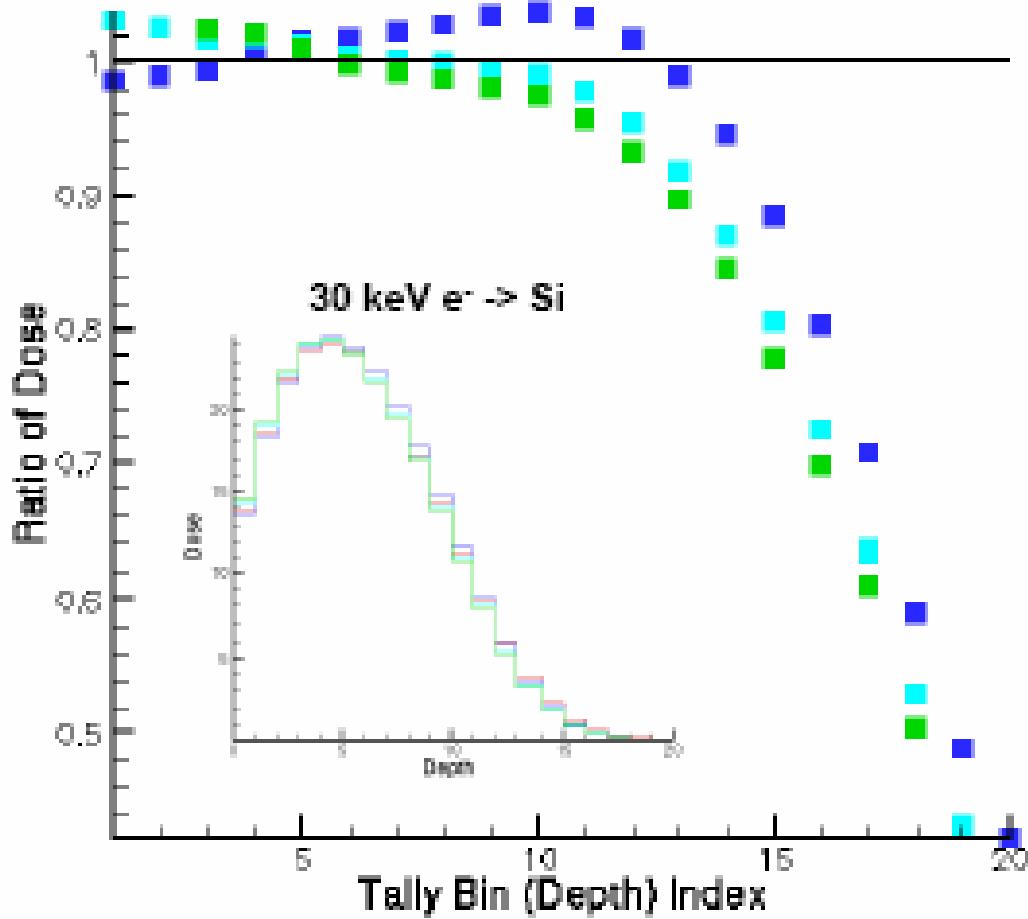
# Solver Resolution Over UQ Parameter Space

**Solution Verification: Are the solver settings adequate?**

System Response Quantity

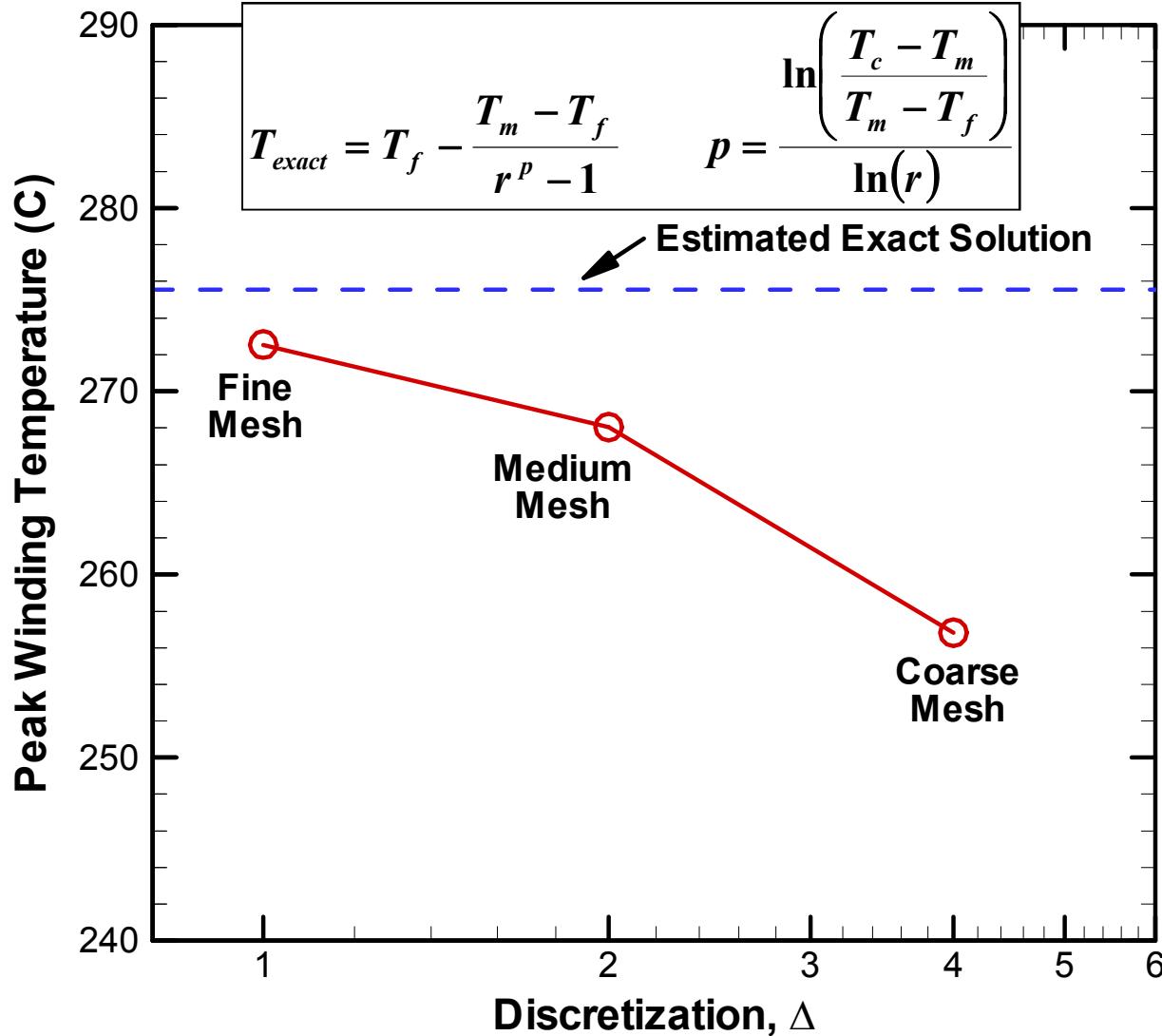
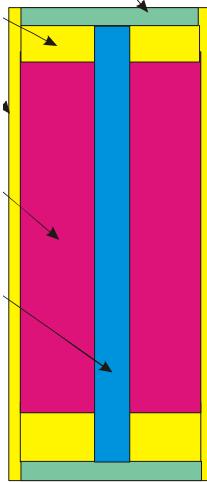


# Dose Sensitivity to Electron Boundary Crossing Algorithm



- Evaluation of ITS electron boundary-crossing error: (All with respect to no internal boundaries, default substep size.)
- Blue: internal boundaries, default substep size
- Cyan: Internal boundaries half-default substep size
- Green: Internal boundaries quarter-default substep size

# Numerical Errors Pollute Validation Assessments



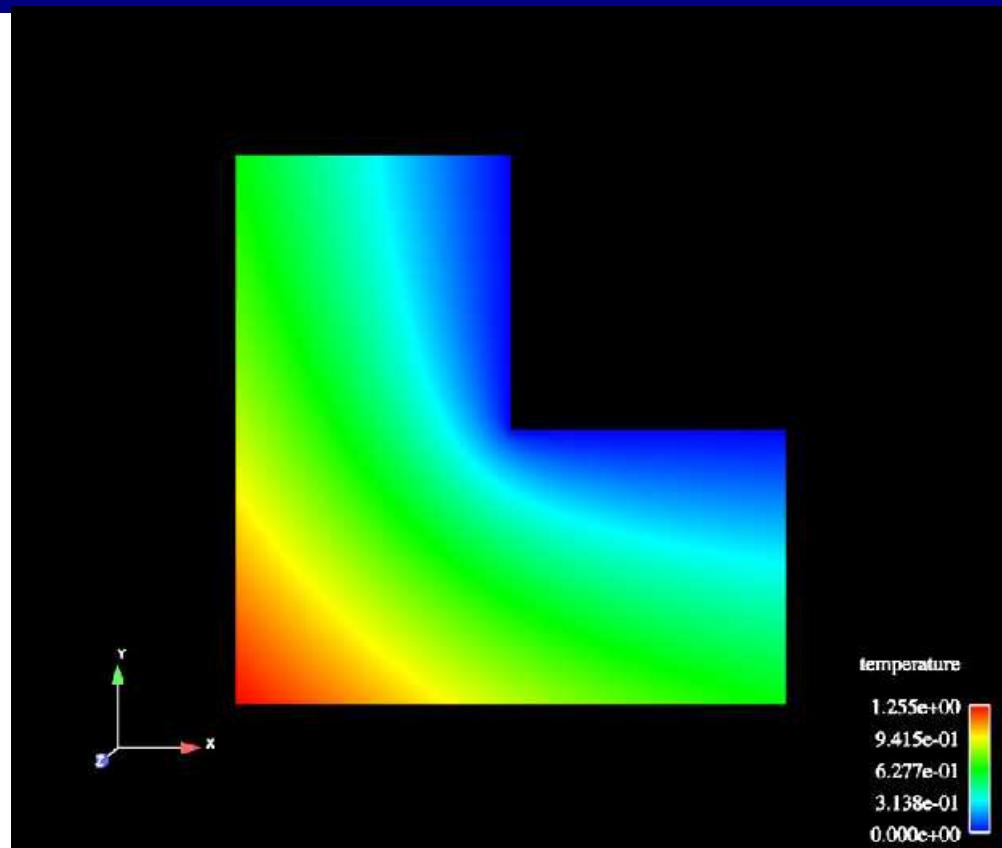
# Verification of Error Estimator and Adaptive Algorithm

- 2D Exact Solution:

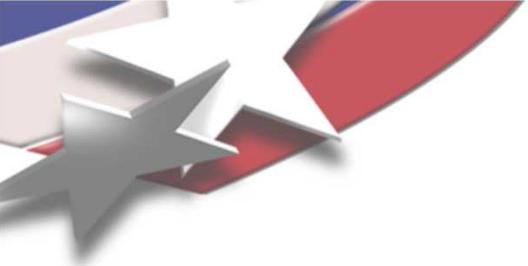
$$u = r^{2/3} \sin\left(\frac{2}{3}\theta\right)$$

- Linear elements
- ZZ error estimator

- Feedback adaptive algorithm:



if  $\left( ||e^*||_{H_1(\omega_j)} > 0.995 \max_{1 \leq i \leq N_\omega} ||e^*||_{H_1(\omega_i)} \right)$  then refine  $\omega_j$



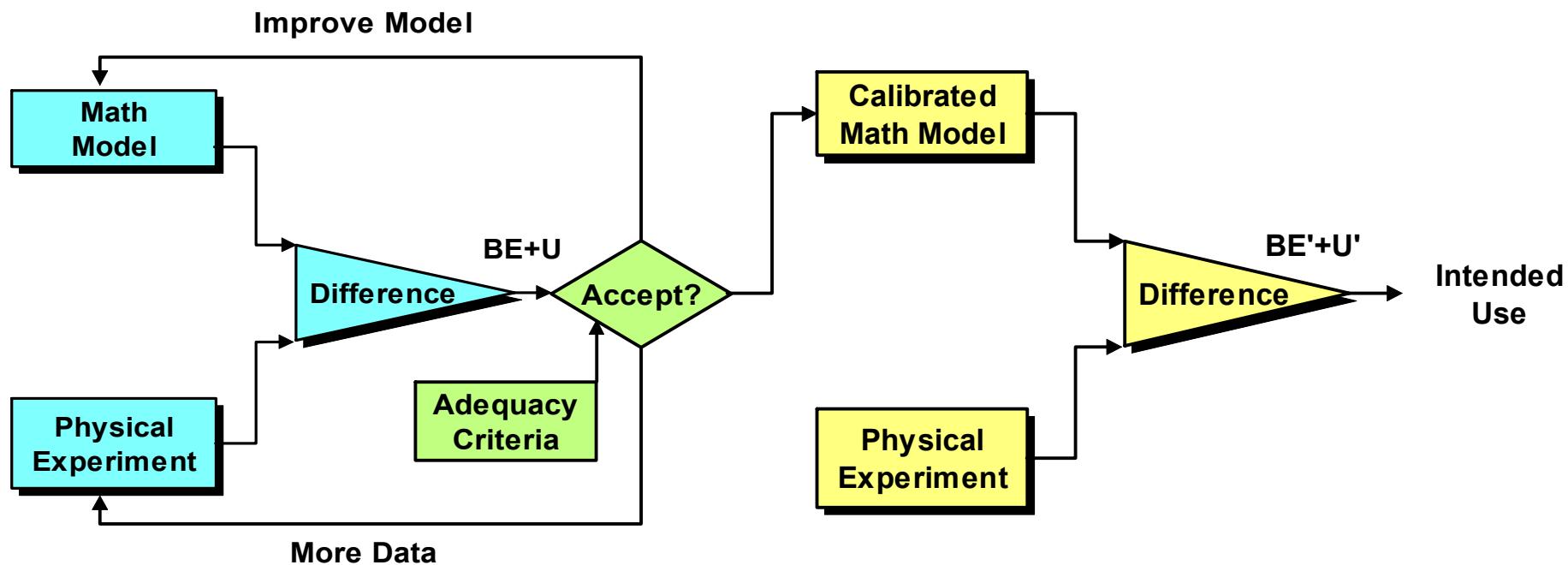
# Validation

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# Validation is Assessment

## Calibration is not Validation

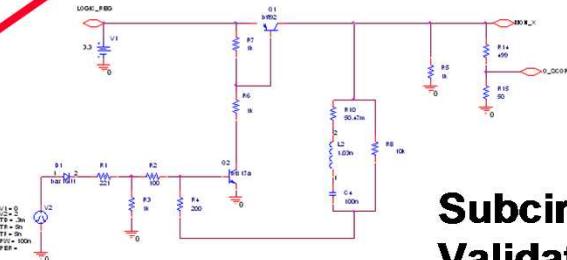


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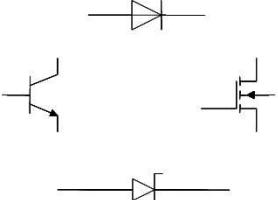
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Hierachal Validation: Right answer for the right reason

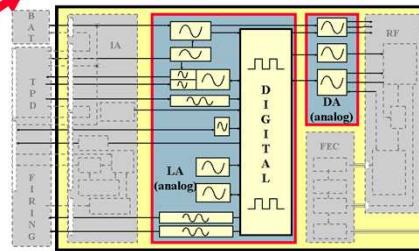
Increasing complexity,  
Decreasing number of tests



Subcircuit Validation



Single Device Characterization and Validation



Single ASIC Validation

System-Level Circuit Validation

- Application relevant parameter space
- Formal DOE and replicate tests
- Attention to diagnostic bias and precision

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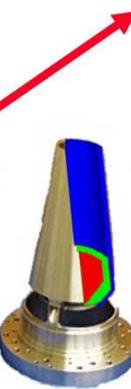
Joint parameter characterization



Single joint validation



Jointed structure validation



Full System Test

Mockup with jointed structure and foam embedded object

- Application relevant parameter space
- Formal DOE and replicate tests
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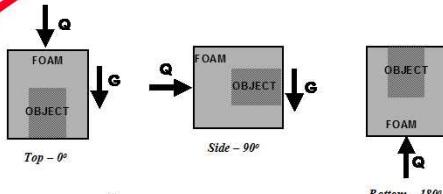
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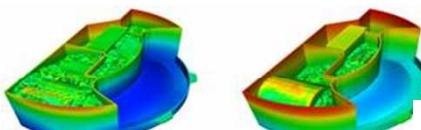


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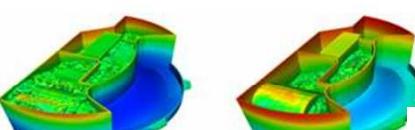


Validation with  
mockups

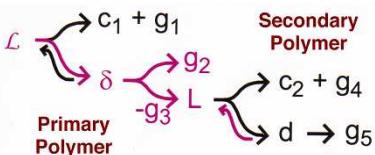


Validation  
Real Sub-systems

Foam recession



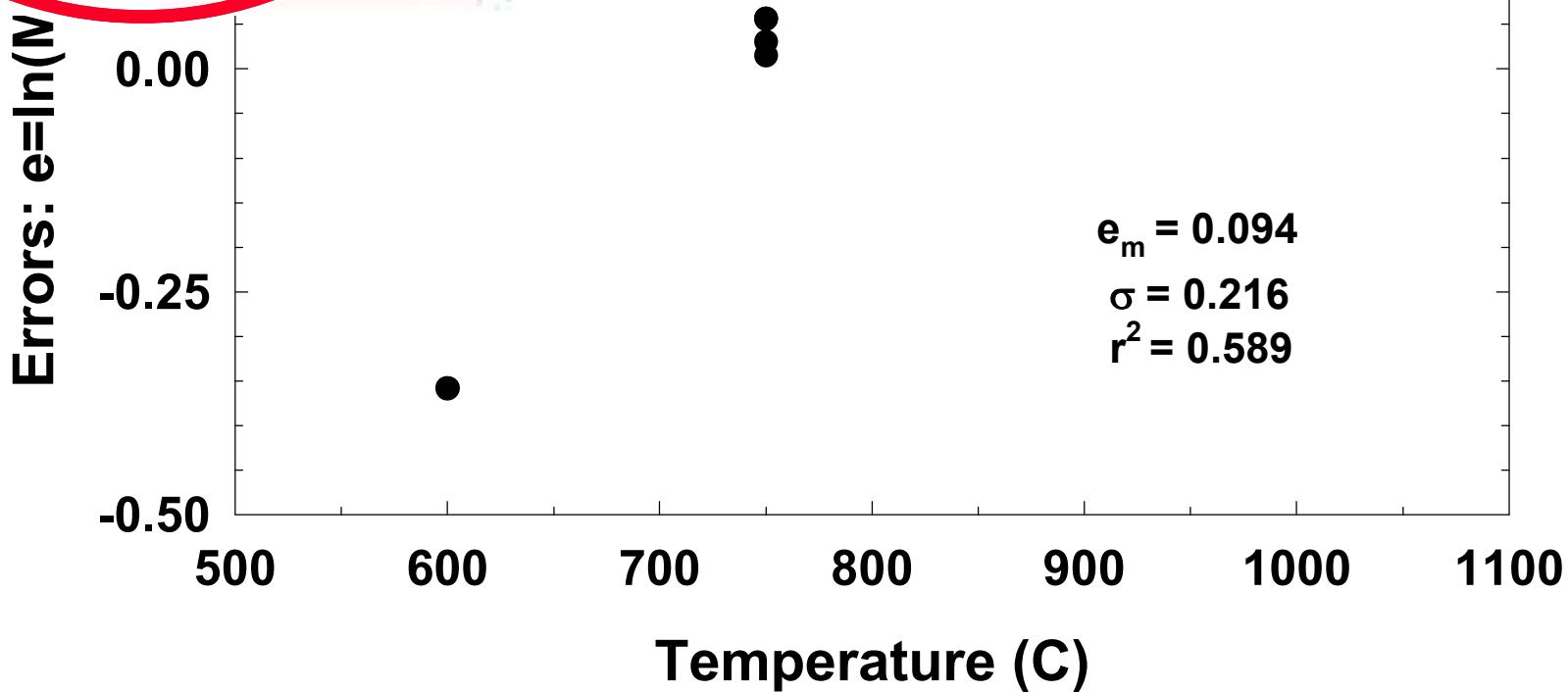
Chemistry  
characterization/validation



- Application relevant parameter space
- Formal DOE and replicate tests
- Attention to diagnostic bias and precision

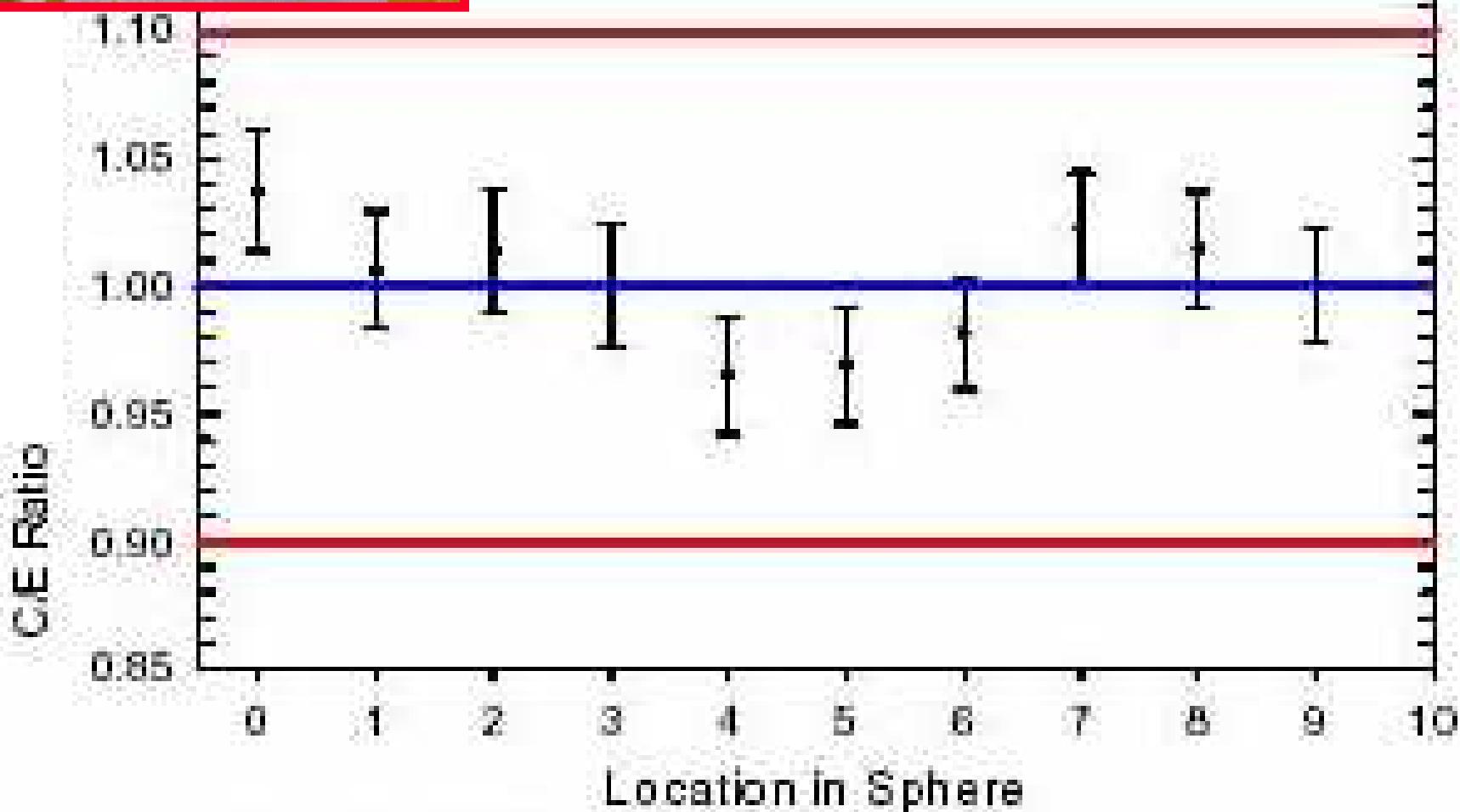
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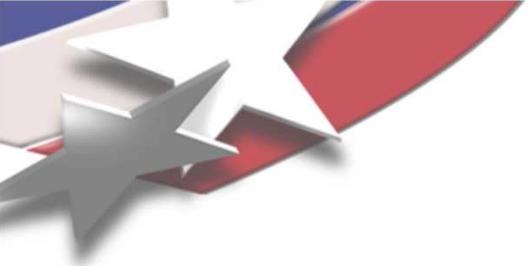
## Vugraph Norms Are Not Adequate





# Neutron Attenuation in Test Objects

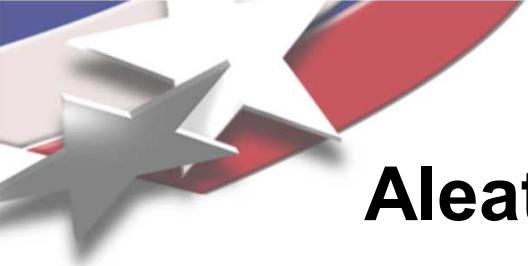




# QMU and Sensitivities

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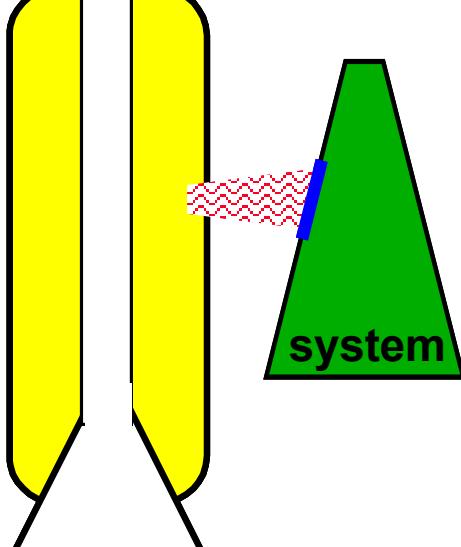
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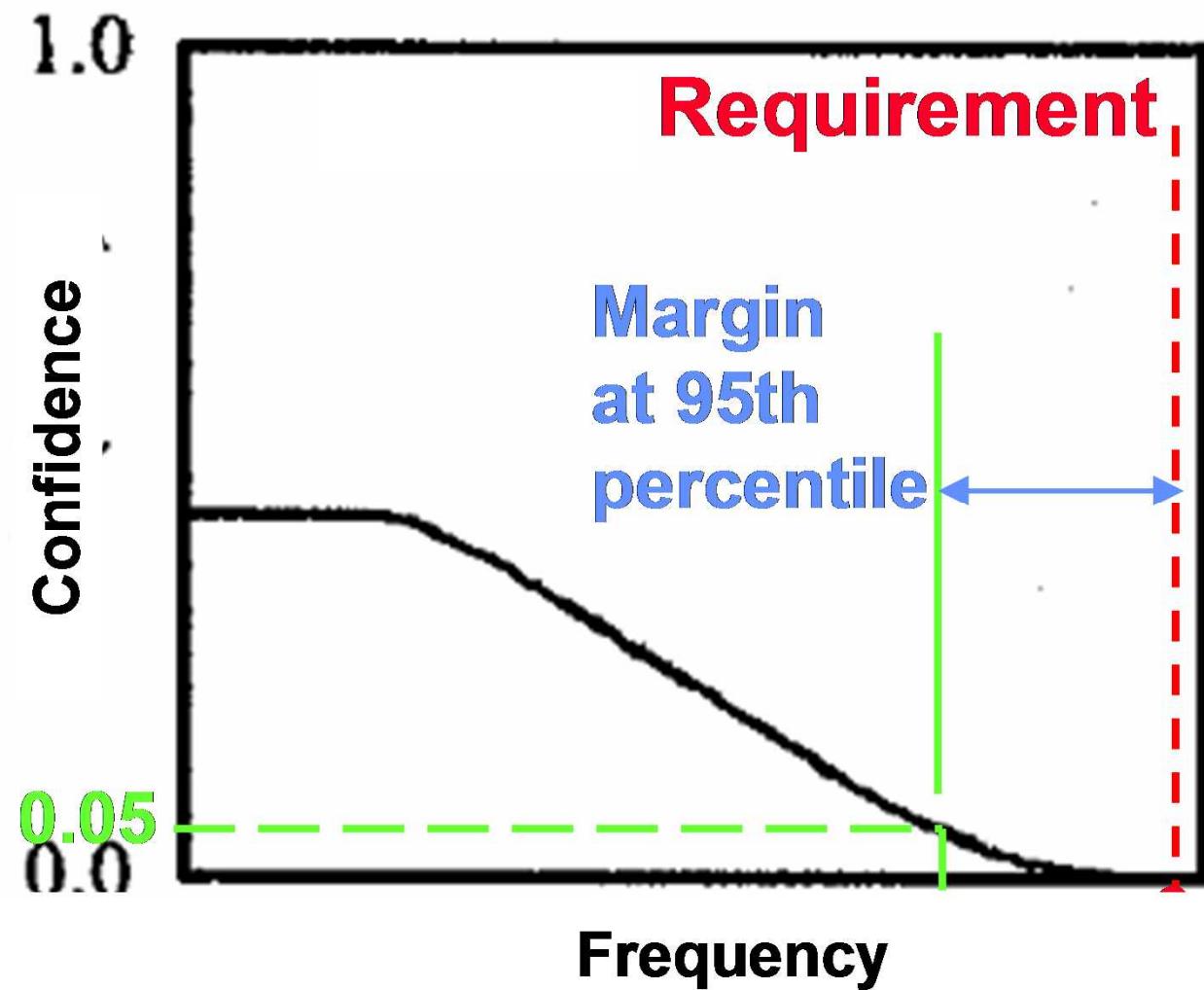
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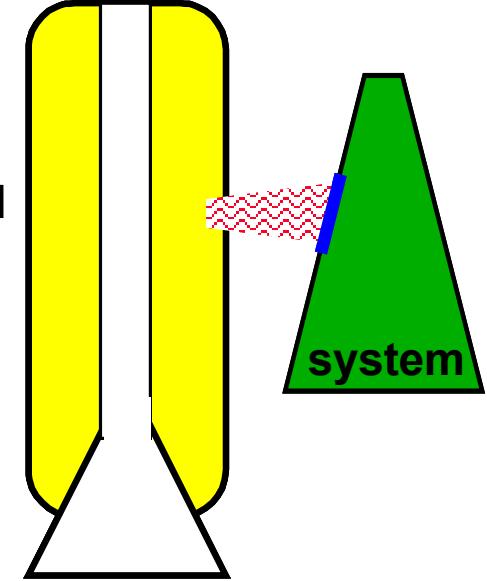
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- **Aleatory uncertainty:** Inherent randomness in behavior of system under study (**frequency interpretation**)
  - Alternatives: Variability, stochastic uncertainty, irreducible uncertainty, type A uncertainty
  - Examples: component failures or material properties derived from statistically significant testing under conditions relevant to intended application
- **Epistemic uncertainty:** Lack of knowledge about appropriate value to use for a quantity that is assumed to have a fixed value in the context of a specific analysis (**confidence or belief interpretation**)
  - Alternatives: state of knowledge uncertainty, subjective uncertainty, reducible uncertainty, type B uncertainty
  - Examples: representative scenarios, unknown parameters in frequency distributions, parameters or models with defensible bounds but no sense of frequency



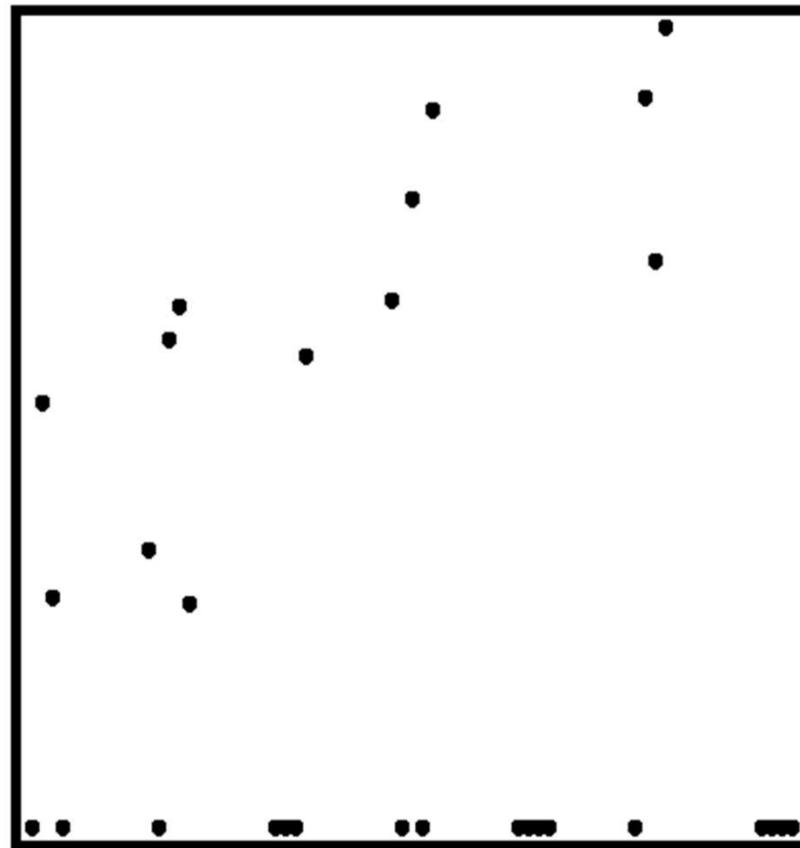
# Quantified Margins and Uncertainties

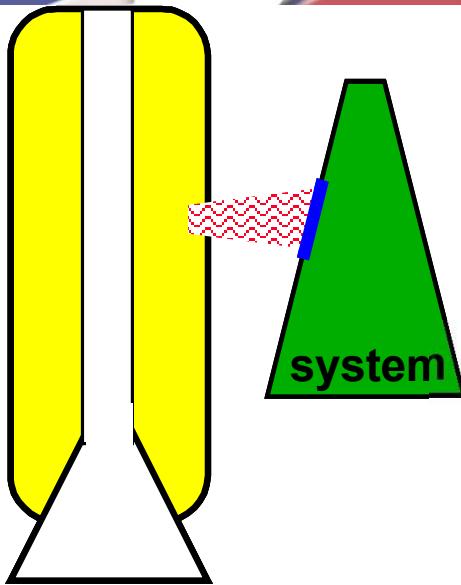




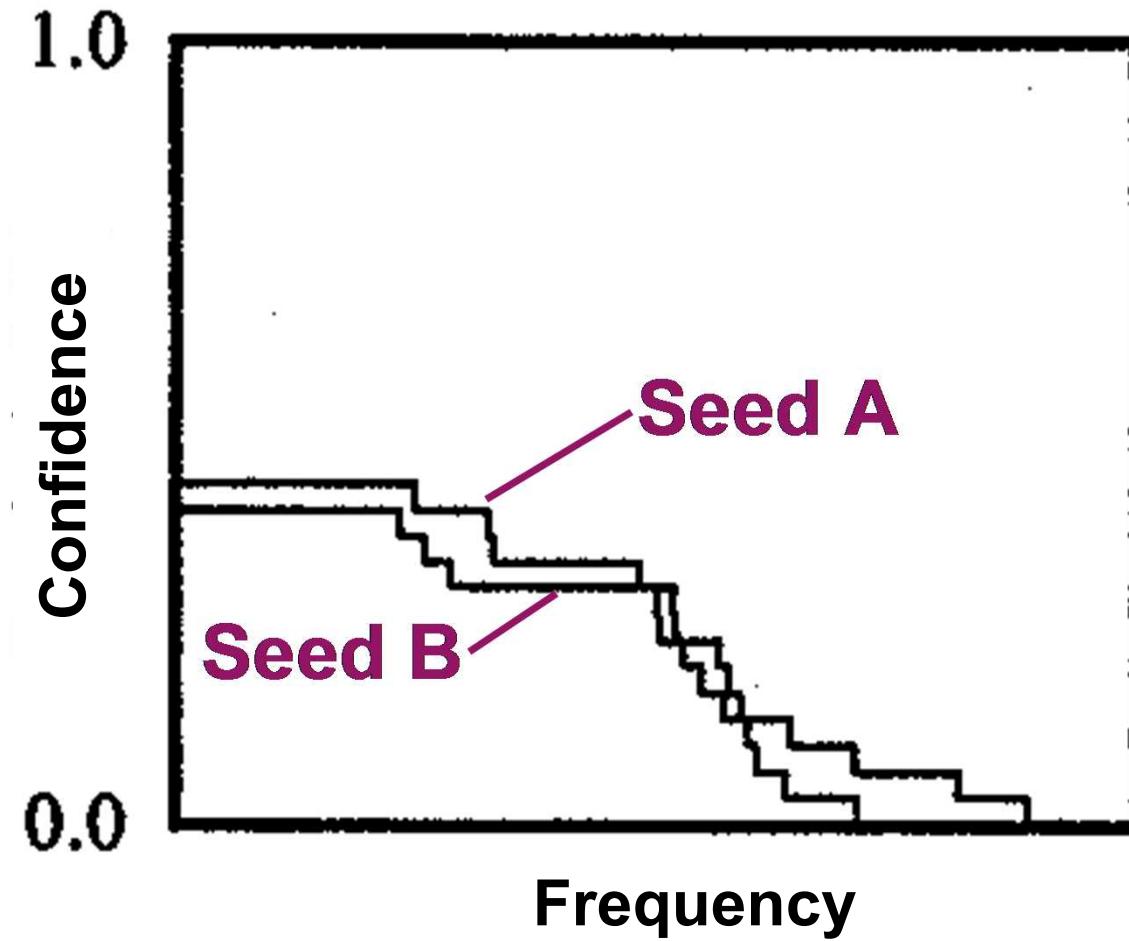
# Sensitivity Analysis

$SCorr = 0.809$





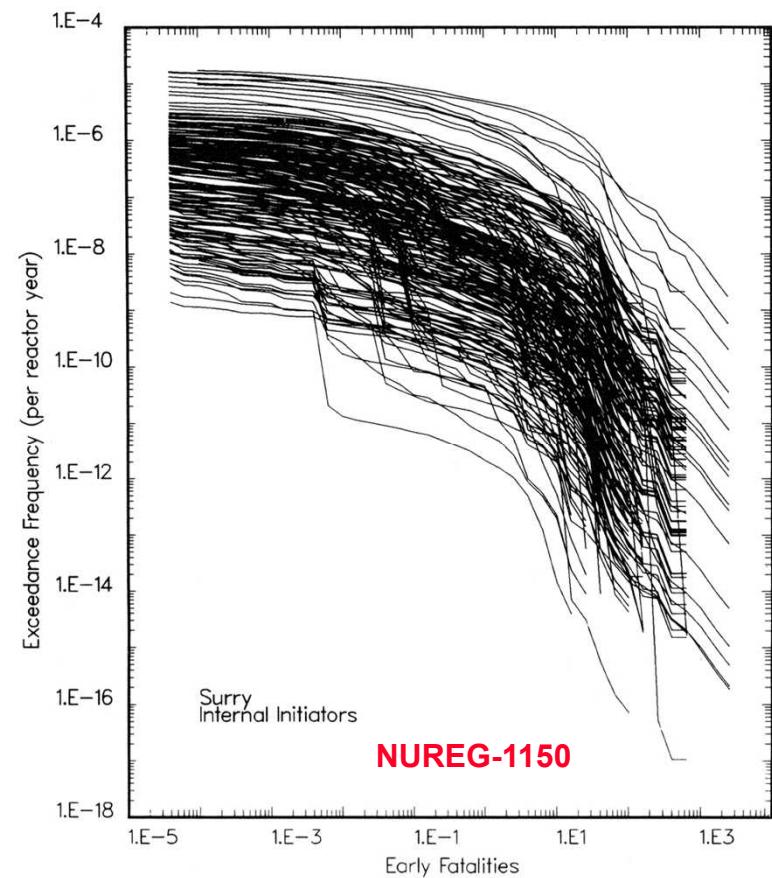
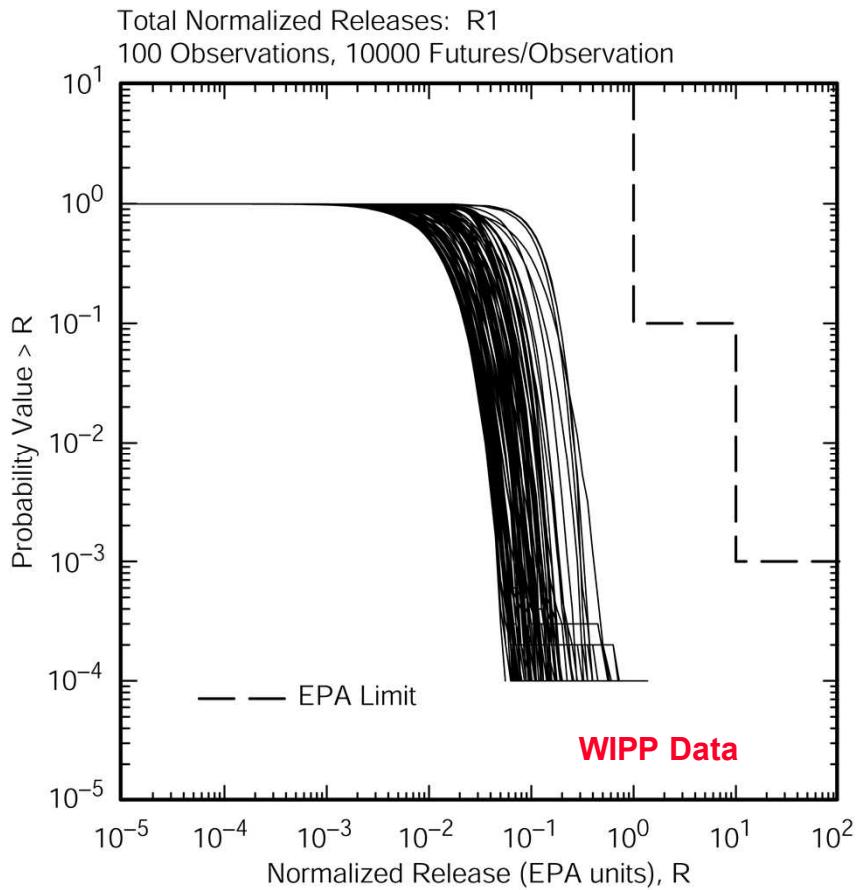
## UQ Solution Verification



**Seed Effects from limited sampling**

# WIPP and NUREG-1150 Precedents

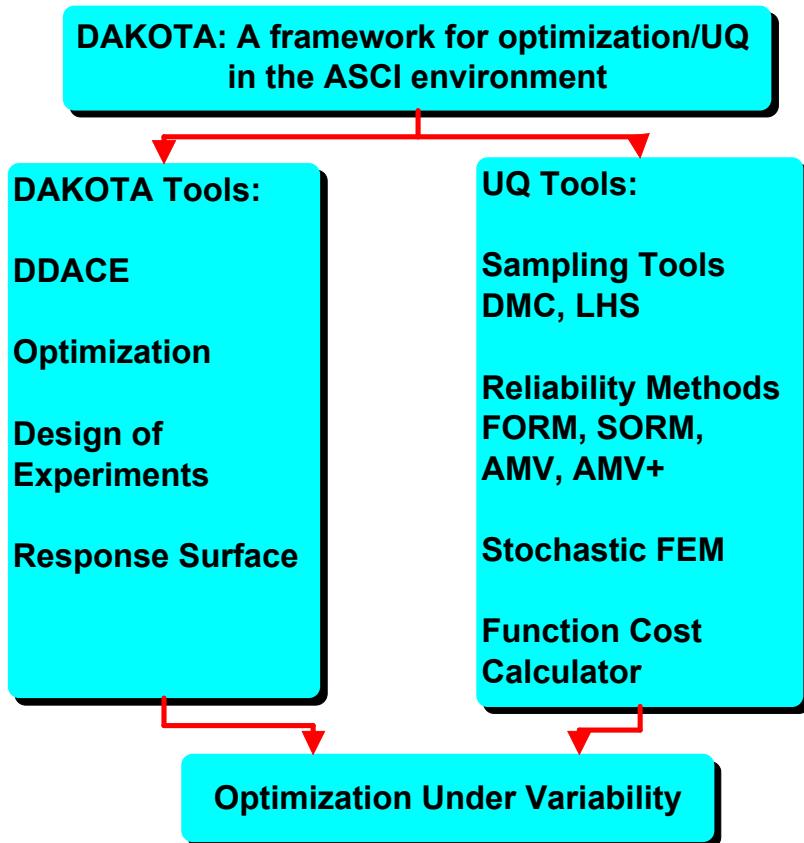
High Consequence Regulatory Issues in the National Interest  
Addressed Primary Through Modeling and Simulation



Lessons Learned: (1) Seek BE + Uncertainty

(2) It takes more than one shot to get it right

# Infrastructure for ASCI-Scale UQ Analyses



1. **Algorithmic coarse-grained parallelism:** independent concurrent fn. evaluations
2. **Algorithmic fine-grained parallelism:** parallel computation of internal linear algebra
3. **Function evaluation coarse-grained parallelism:** concurrent execution of separable simulations within a fn. eval. (e.g., multiple loading cases)
4. **Function evaluation fine-grained parallelism:** parallelization of the solution steps within a single analysis code (e.g., SALINAS, MPSalsa)

