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Verification, Validation, Uncertainty Quantification, Predictive Modeling and Simulation:

Integration of NW Capabilities into NEAMS

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Three Main Themes

1. The Born-Assessed Framework can provide a science-based approach to risk-informed decisions for supporting licensing.
2. The NW program has provided leading tools and capabilities that can serve as starting points for the NEAMS VU program. However, *significant new VU tools and capabilities* are broadly needed to achieve the NEAMS goals.
3. Integration of VU with the other parts of NEAMS is essential from Day 1.

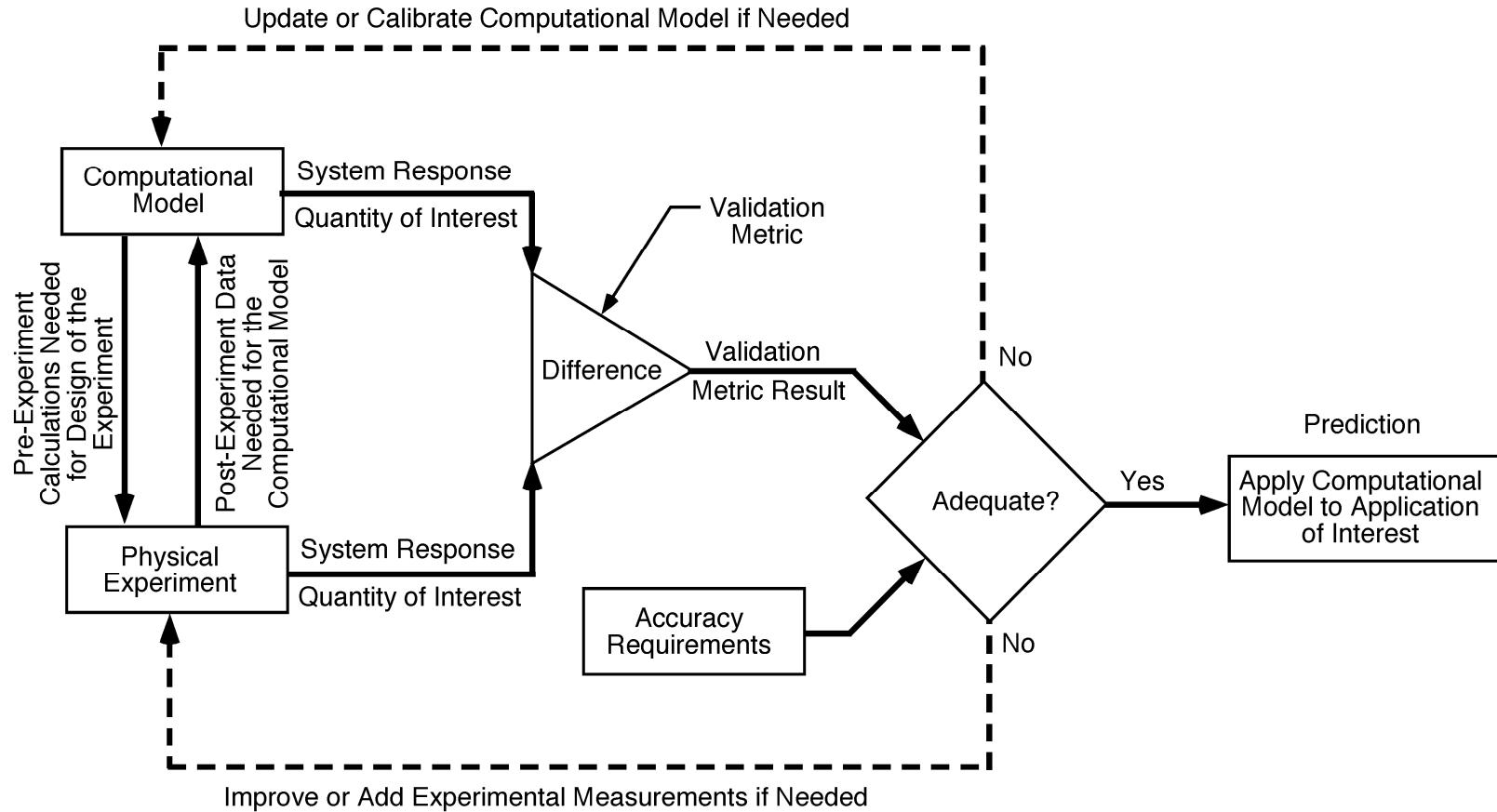


Outline

- *V&V-based Born-Assessed Framework*
- Verification
- VU Tools and Algorithms
 - Capability Gaps
 - Integration
- Towards Licensing



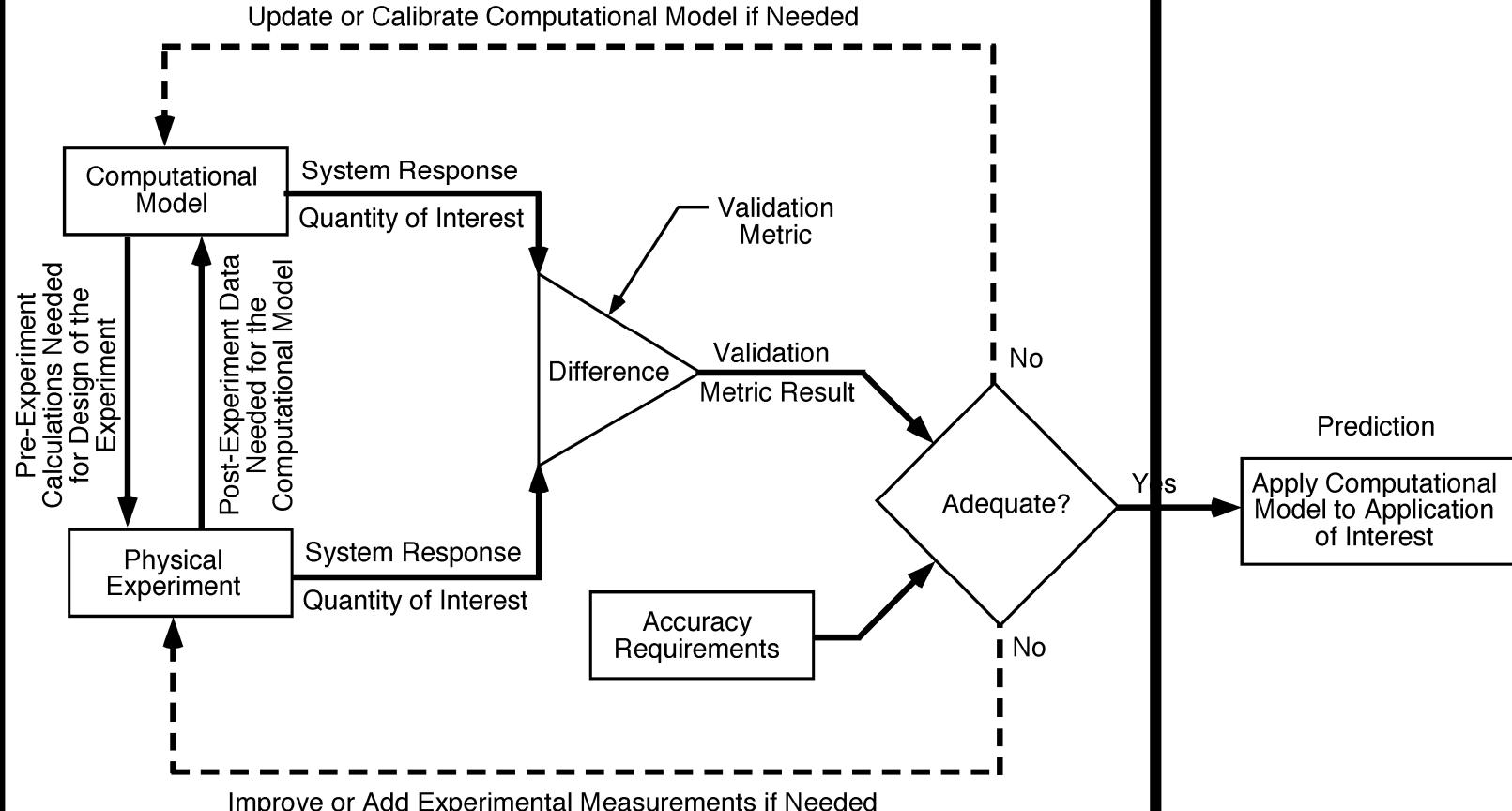
V&V-Based Born-Assessed Framework: Validation, Calibration, and Prediction



Reference: W. L. Oberkampf and M. F. Barone, "Measures of Agreement Between Computation and Experiment: Validation Metrics," SAND2005-4302, August 2005.



Steps for Code Release: *Born Assessed*



Remark: Conceptually similar to "Born Assessed" process documented in: R. A. Nelson, A. R. Larzelere, and S. Runnels, "GNEP Modeling and Simulation: An Improved Applications Development Paradigm for Rapid Deployment," Los Alamos National Laboratory Report LA-UR-07-1865.



Further Details of Validation/Calibration Process

(Prerequisite for Code Release)

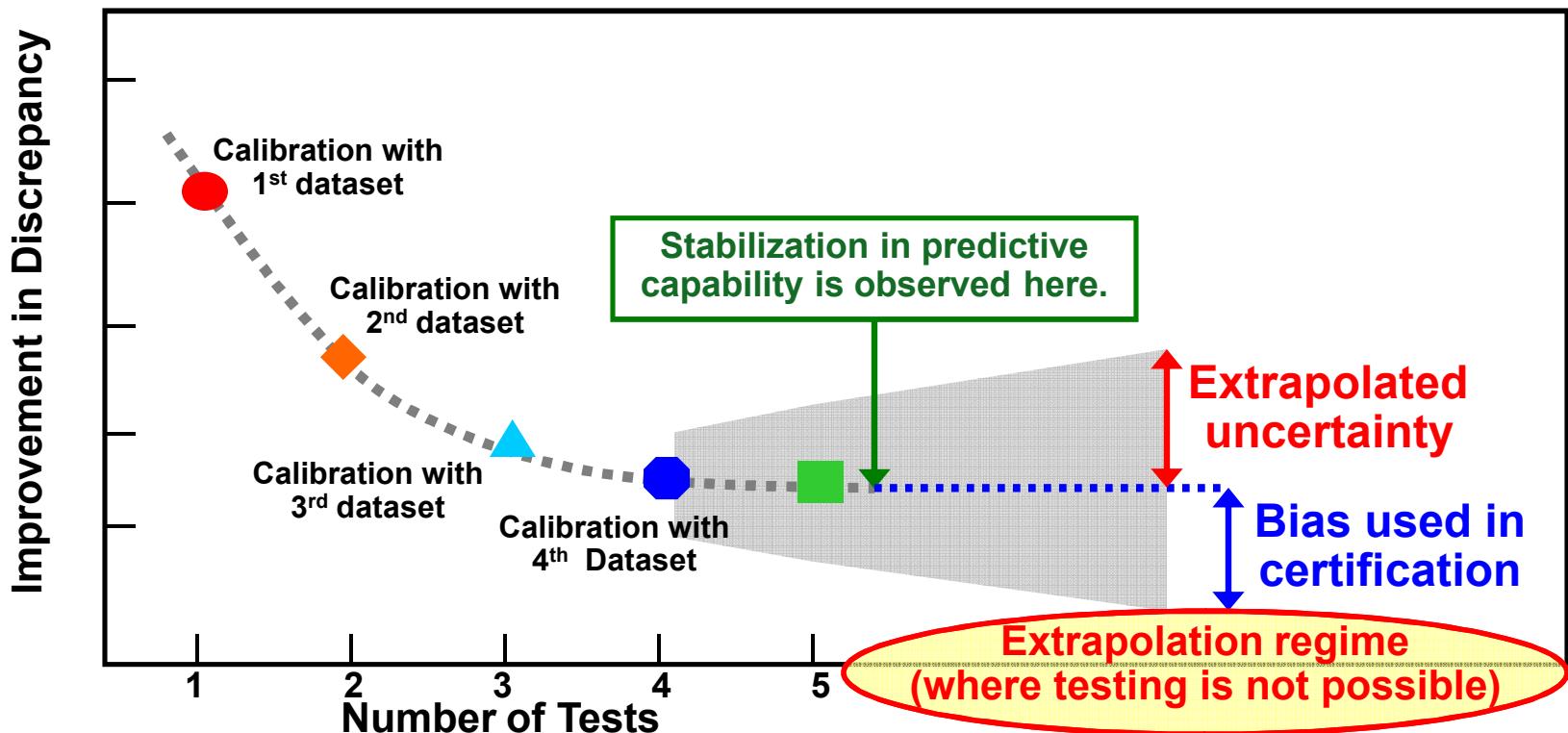
- Physical Experiments May Include
 - Separate Effects Tests (SETs)
 - Integral Effects Tests (IETs)
 - Uncertainty Quantification
- Application of Computational Model Involves
 - Model Setup: Geometry and Mesh
 - Solution Verification
 - Sensitivity Analysis and Uncertainty Quantification
- *Validation Metrics*: Comparison of computational model results to experimentally measured system response quantities (SRQs)
- *Updates/improvements* to model and/or physical experiments
- *Assessment of adequacy* for intended application (including possible interpolation/extrapolation of model)

Primary Goal: *Born Assessed*



More on Assessment of Adequacy: Seeking Robustness and Maturity

- We propose to develop models of predictive maturity based on the concept of *stabilization* (or robustness).



Reference: Hemez, F.M., Atamturktur, S., Unal, C., "Defining Predictive Maturity for Validated Numerical Simulations," *Technical Report of the Fiscal Year 2008 Global Nuclear Energy Partnership Program*, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico, September 2008. LA-UR-08-6741.

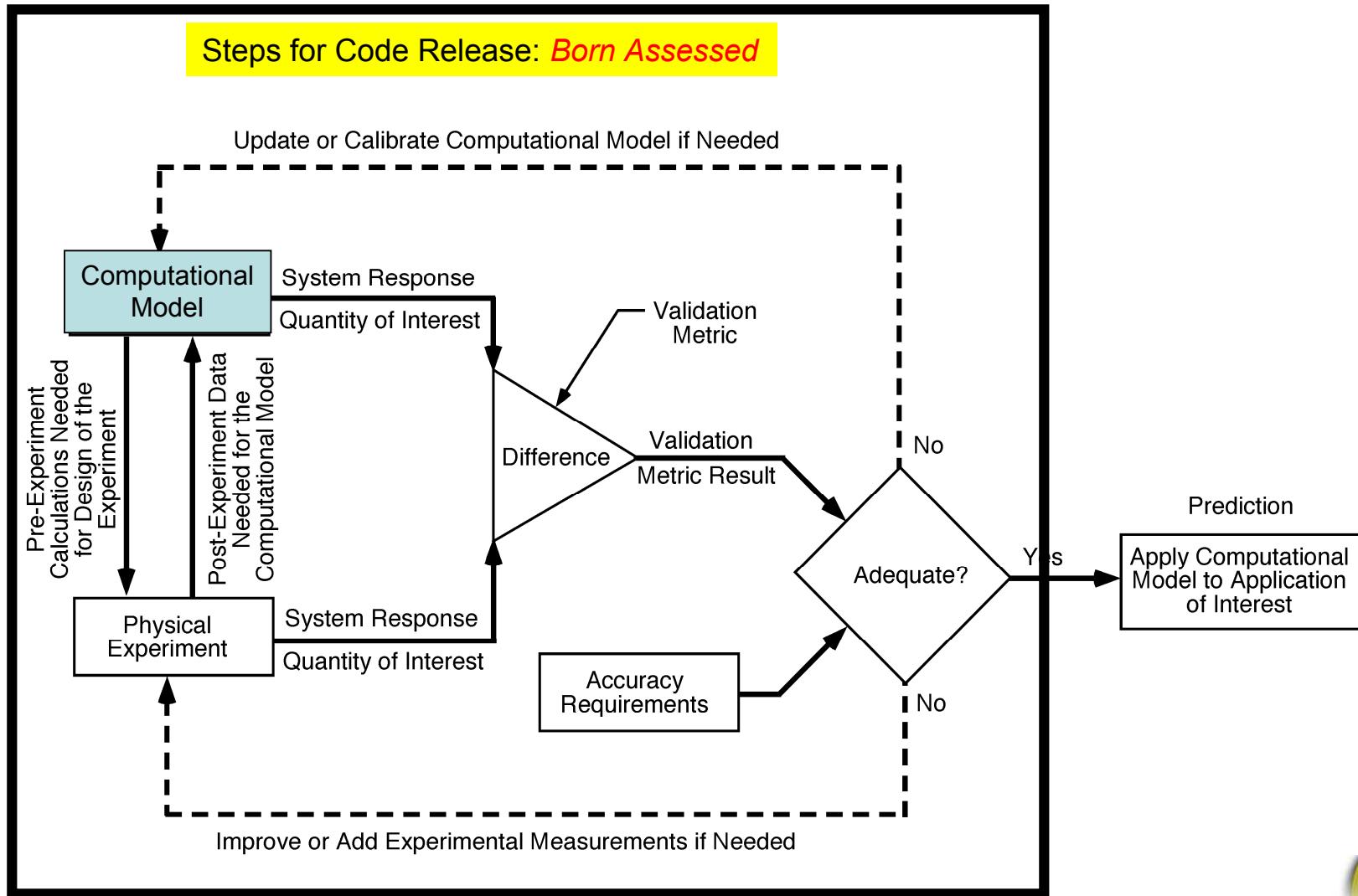


How Is “Born Assessed” Different From the CSAU Methodology?

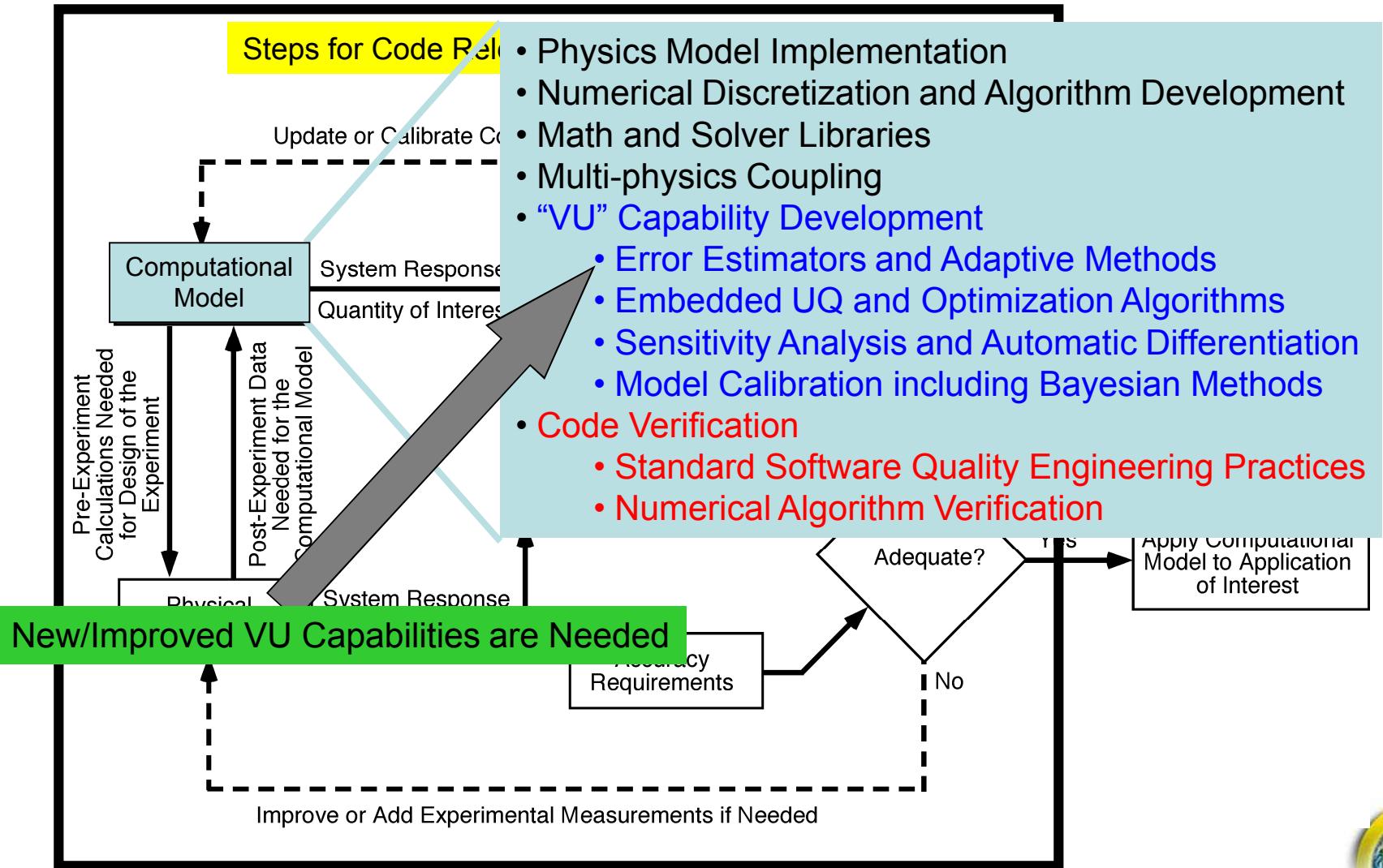
- Born Assessed is similar to CSAU in some ways, e.g.,
 - Formal quantification of uncertainties
 - Use of SETs and IETs
- However, Born Assessed builds on modern V&V ideas, e.g.,
 - Verification explicitly called out (to be discussed more later...)
 - Code verification
 - Solution verification
 - Formal role of validation: Model calibration and improvement through feedback of new experimental data
- Dynamic “Born Assessed” process vs. CSAU process that was developed for legacy, frozen software tools



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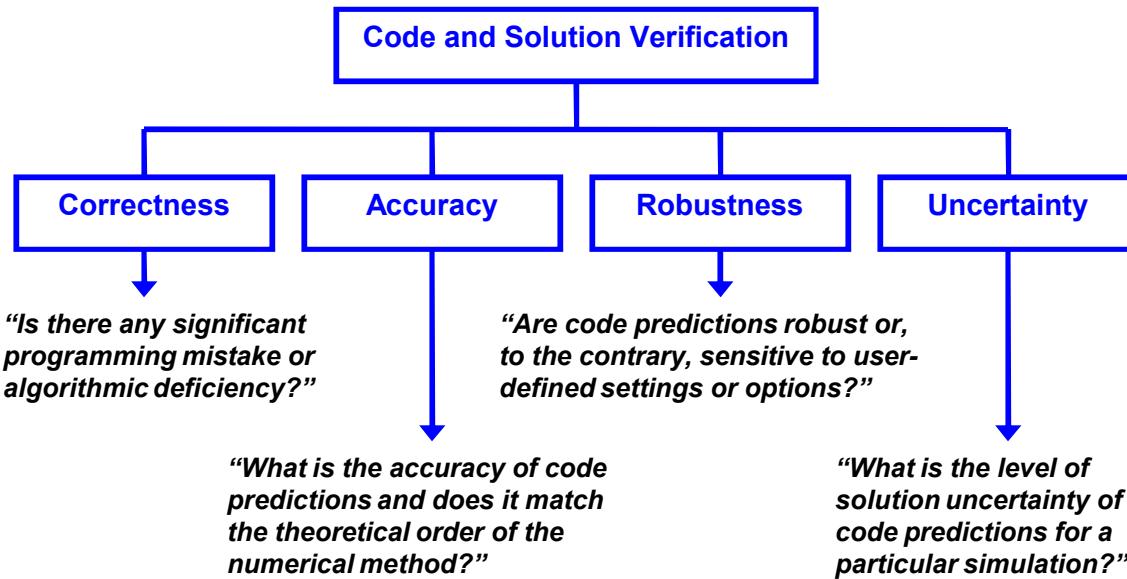
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Verification

- **Goal:** To demonstrate convergence to the correct answer for the intended application (i.e., the actual system of mathematical equations)
- Numerical errors can contribute to incorrect stockpile decisions or validation assessments
- Challenges
 - Multi-physics, multi-scale, non-smooth solutions, contact, singularities, etc.



Verification: Two Main Components

- Code Verification
- Solution Verification



Code Verification

Traditional SQE Activities

- Design review/inspection
- Code Review/inspection
- Pair programming
- Configuration management
- Requirements management
- Defect tracking
- Unit testing
- Regression testing
- Integration testing
- Low volume beta testing
- High volume beta testing
- Release & distribution management

Activities for scientific software

- Exact solutions
 - Open form
 - Closed form
 - Manufactured
- Order verification
 - Single physics
 - Tightly coupled multiphysics
 - Loosely coupled multiphysics
- Application-focused test coverage analysis



Solution Verification

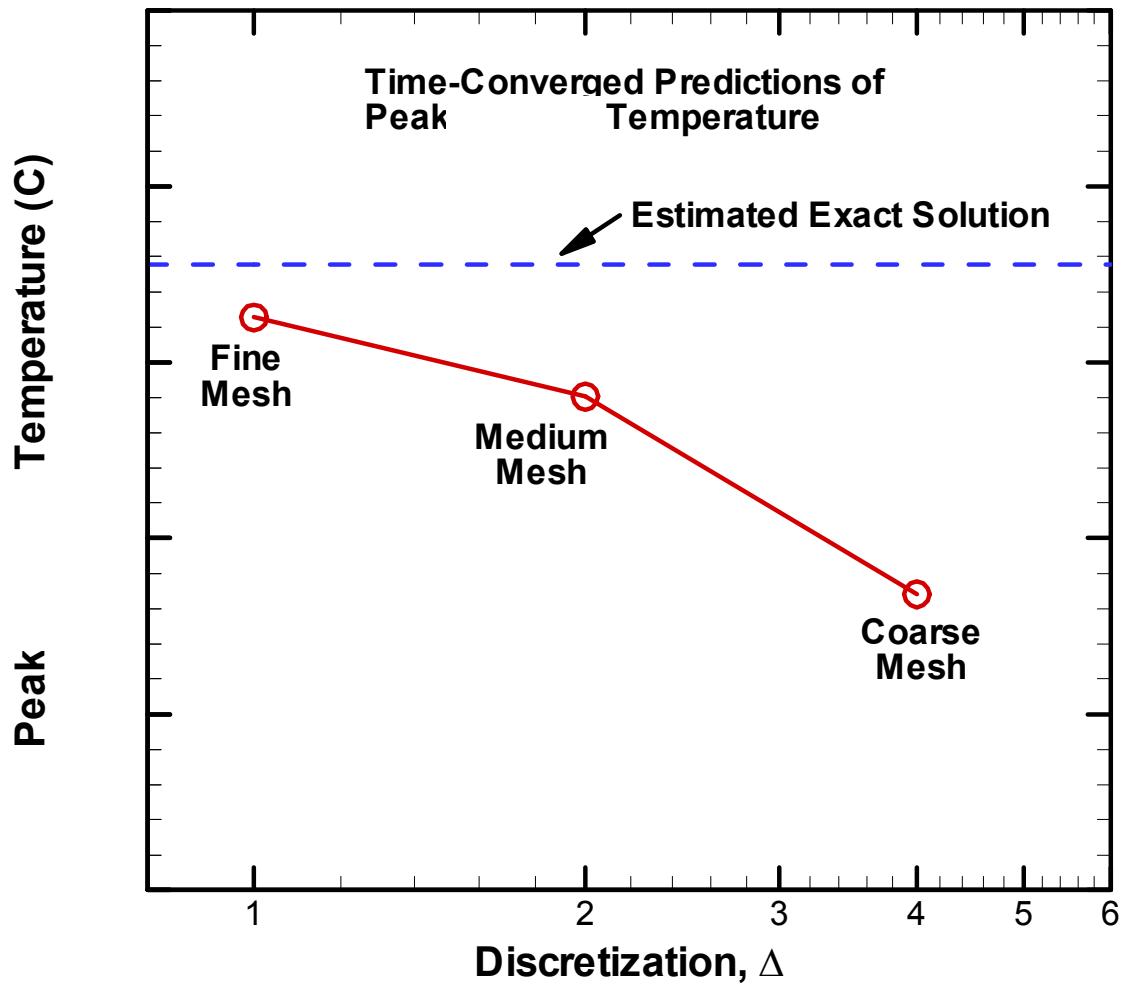
Solution verification addresses the following questions:

- In the context of *model validation*:
 - Are numerical errors obscuring or undermining comparisons of calculations with experimental data?
- In the context of *predictive simulation*:
 - Is the solution accuracy adequate for the intended application?



Weak Link Failure Model (SNL's Calore)

Solution verification: Is the discretization adequate?



Component is highly non-isotropic and (initially) not adequately mesh converged



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VU Capability Gaps

- *Main Issue:* Standard “Legacy” VU Methods are generally *not robust, too expensive* and/or *not scalable* for our new large-scale, multi-physics IPSCs; e.g.,
 - *Sensitivity Analysis:* Sampling, Response Surfaces, etc.
 - *UQ:* Monte-Carlo and Latin Hypercube Sampling
 - *Solution Verification:* Mesh Extrapolation (e.g., Richardson)

- The NW program has delivered leading tools (e.g., DAKOTA) for VU.
- However, these tools are *starting points* for NEAMS, and are not (yet) sufficient for licensing support.
- Additional investments in VU tools and capabilities are needed.



VU Capability Gaps: Why?

- In the ASC program, the V&V program developed *alongside* the other programs; i.e., **V&V didn't exist when ASC started!**
- Many “VU” algorithms have been developed and/or advanced within the last few years
 - Many require some degree of algorithm/software *integration* and *inter-operability* with the codes
 - Such integration can be expensive to retro-actively apply
- Much VU algorithm and tool development is still needed to address current deficiencies (e.g., robustness, efficiency, scalability, etc.)



VU Capability Gap:

A Posteriori Error Estimation

Goal: Accurately estimate or bound the mesh discretization error in the quantity of interest

- Based on *adjoints* which can be intrusive to the code
- Must be integrated with the code design and part of the code development activities



SNL's *Encore*: Toolkit for Verification

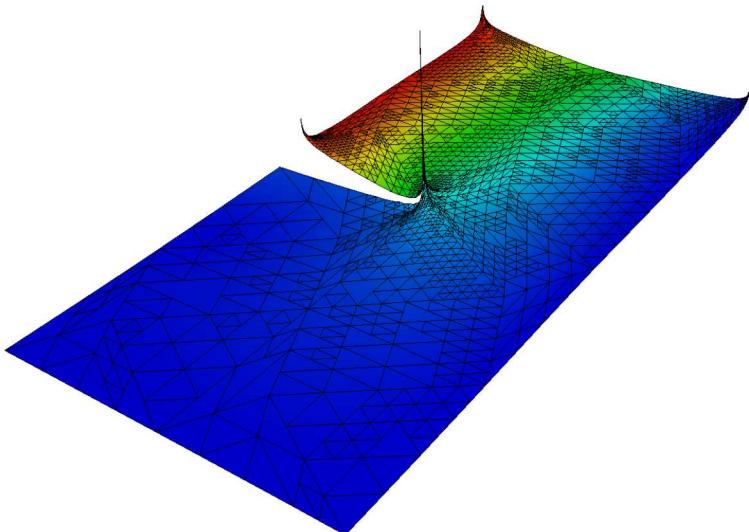
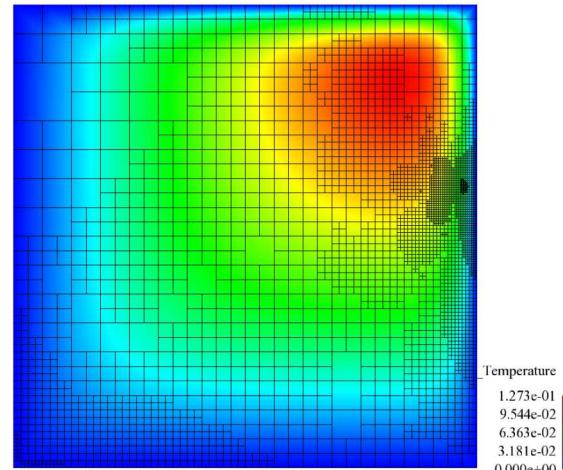
- Strategic goal: *To enable predictive simulations*
 - Unified, modular services for *code and solution verification*
 - Bridge between application codes (e.g., SIERRA Mechanics, RAMSES) and UQ tools (Trilinos, DAKOTA)
- Code verification**
 - Analytical and manufactured solutions
 - Grid transfers (for comparing solutions)
 - Norms, derived quantities of interest
- Solution verification**
 - Developing support for *adjoint-based* error estimators
 - Flexible, user-driven adaptivity system

MATURITY ELEMENT	Maturity Level 0 Low Consequence, Some M&S Impact, e.g. Screening	Maturity Level 1 Moderate Consequence, Some M&S Impact, e.g. Peer Review	Maturity Level 2 High-Consequence, High M&S Impact, e.g. Decision Support	Maturity Level 3 High-Consequence, Decision Making Based on M&S, e.g. Safety	
Representation and Geometric Fidelity What features are replicated because of simplifications or stylizations?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judgment only Little or no functional or geometric fidelity for the system or boundary conditions (BCs) Geometry or representation of major components is defined Significant simplification or stylization of the system and BCs Some models are physics based and are calibrated using data from unrelated experiments Few, if any, physics based models are used Minimal or ad hoc coupling of models 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judgment only Model forms are either unknown or fully specified Few, if any, physics based models are used No coupling of models 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited simplification or stylization of major components and BCs Some components are well defined for major components and some minor components Some peer review conducted Physics-based models for all important processes Significant validation needed using component-effects tests (CETs) and integrate-effects tests (IETs) One-way coupling of models Some peer review conducted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Essentially no simplification or stylization of major components and BCs Major components and BCs are at the detail of "as built" e.g., material interfaces, fasteners Independent peer review conducted All models are physics-based Minimal need for calibration using SETs and IETs Extensive physical basis for extrapolation and coupling of models Full, two-way coupling of models Independent peer review conducted 	
Physics and Material Model Fidelity How well are the physics and material models and what is the level of model calibration?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judgment only Little or no functional or geometric fidelity for the system or boundary conditions (BCs) Geometry or representation of major components is defined Significant simplification or stylization of the system and BCs Some models are physics based and are calibrated using data from unrelated experiments Few, if any, physics based models are used Minimal or ad hoc coupling of models 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judgment only Model forms are either unknown or fully specified Few, if any, physics based models are used No coupling of models 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Code verification Are algorithm deficiencies, software errors, and poor SOE practices causing poor simulation results? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Code is managed by SOE Minimal testing of any software Unit and regression testing conducted Some comparisons made with benchmarks Some peer review conducted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some algorithms are tested to determine order of numerical convergence Some features & capabilities (F&Cs) are tested to determine order of numerical convergence Some peer review conducted
Solution Verification Are numerical solution errors and human procedural errors corrupting the simulation results?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judgment only Model forms are either unknown or fully specified Large or unknown errors have unknown or large effect on simulation results 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judgment only Model forms are either unknown or fully specified Large or unknown errors have unknown or large effect on simulation results 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Model Validation How easily is the accuracy of the simulation and experimental results assessed at various tiers in a validation hierarchy? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quantitative assessment of predictive accuracy for some key SRQs from IETs and CETs Experimental uncertainties are well characterized for most SETs, but poorly characterized for some I/O independently verified Some peer review conducted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quantitative assessment of predictive accuracy for some key SRQs not directly relevant to the application Large or unknown experimental uncertainties are well characterized for most SETs, but poorly characterized for some I/O independently verified Some peer review conducted
Uncertainty Quantification and Sensitivity Analysis How thoroughly are uncertainties and sensitivities characterized and propagated?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judgment only Only deterministic (ADE) uncertainty propagation, but without sensitivity analysis Uncertainties and sensitivities are not addressed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ADE uncertainty segregated from propagation of other SRQs Quantitative sensitivity analyses conducted for most parameters Numerical propagation errors are estimated and their effect known Some strong UQSA assumptions made 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A&E uncertainties segregated from propagation of other SRQs Quantitative sensitivity analyses conducted for most parameters Numerical propagation errors are estimated and their effect known Some strong assumptions made Some peer review conducted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quantitative assessment of predictive accuracy for all important SRQs from IETs and CETs Experimental uncertainties are well characterized for all application geometries directly relevant to the application Independent peer review conducted Important simulations are independently reproduced Independent peer review conducted 	



Adjoint-Based Error Estimators and Adaptivity in SIERRA Mechanics

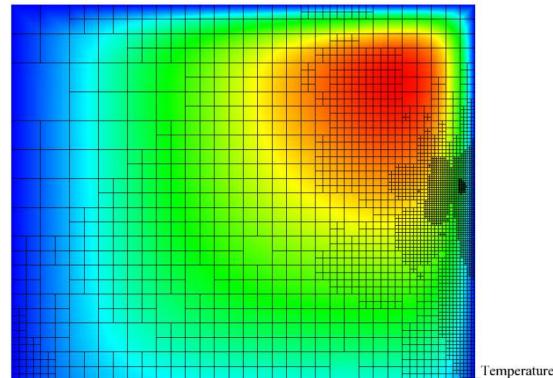
- Temperature field from thermal advection-diffusion example.
- *Quantity of interest:* Temperature at a point near the right boundary.
- The adjoint error estimator produces adaptivity that is optimal for this output.



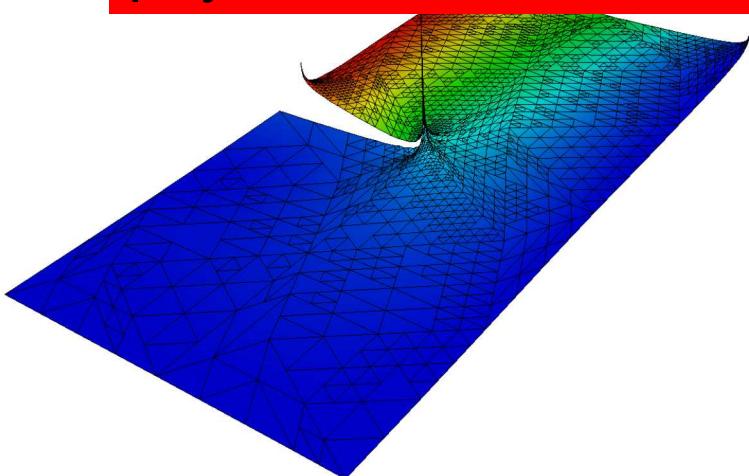
- Nonlinear quasi-statics example.
Elevation of Von Mises stress field colored by magnitude of adjoint displacement field.
Quantity of interest: Integral surface traction on the upper left surface.
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ISSUE: Only available for simple problems; much capability development still needed (nonlinear, multi-physics, scalable, etc.)



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VU Capability Gap: Embedded Algorithms

- Algorithm Infrastructure
 - Automatic Differentiation (AD)
 - Adjoint solution technology
- Applications of *Embedded Algorithms*
 - Sensitivity analysis
 - Uncertainty Quantification
 - Goal-oriented (adjoint-based) error estimation

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Code Verification Are computational, software errors, and poor SOE practices corrupting the simulation results?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judgment only • Minimal testing of any software elements • Little or no SOE procedures specified or followed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Code is managed by S&E procedures • Unit and regression testing conducted • Some comparisons made with benchmarks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some algorithms are tested to determine the observed order of numerical convergence • Some features & capabilities (F&Cs) are tested with benchmark solutions • Some peer review conducted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All important algorithms are tested to determine the observed order of numerical convergence • All important F&Cs are tested with rigorous benchmark solutions • Independent peer review conducted • Numerical effects are determined to be small on some SRQs • Important calculations are independently reproduced • Independent peer review conducted
Solution Verification Are numerical solution errors and human procedural errors corrupting the simulation results?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Judgment only • Numerical errors have unknown or large effect on simulation results 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Numerical effects on relevant SRQs are determined • Input/output (I/O) verified only by the analysts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Numerical effects are quantitatively estimated to be small on some SRQs • I/O independently verified • Some peer review conducted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quantitative assessment of predictive accuracy for some key SRQs from IETs and SETs • Experimental uncertainties are well characterized for most SETs, but poorly known for IETs • Some peer review conducted
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Adjoints and AD are key capabilities for increased efficiency and accuracy!



VU Challenge: Integration

- Many of these new algorithms require tight integration with codes and models
- *Many ASC codes already too “mature” to capitalize on new VU capabilities without significant investments in software re-architecting (e.g., adjoints and sensitivities)*



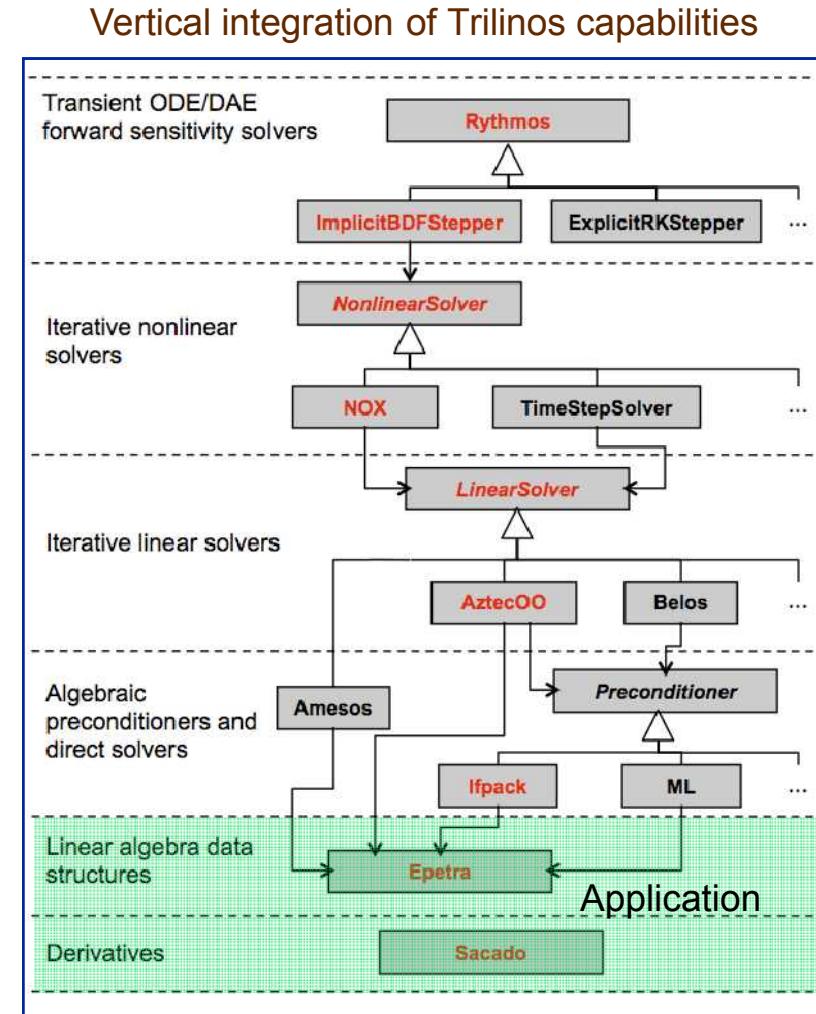
SNL's **Sacado** Package: *Automatic Differentiation*

- **Sacado**: Operator overloading AD tools for C++ applications
- Part of the **Trilinos** library
- Impacting UQ:
 - Stochastic Galerkin methods (ongoing)
 - Polynomial chaos methods (near term)
 - Epistemic UQ
 - Intervals (mid term)
 - Probability boxes (long term)



VU Integration: Using Sacado's Advance Capabilities for Sensitivity Analysis

- Requires integration with
 - Solvers
 - Application code



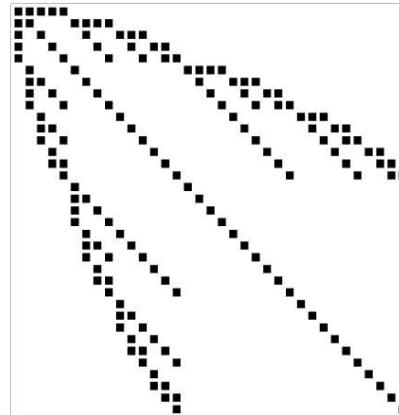
VU Capability Gap: UQ

Implementing Stochastic Galerkin Methods in Nonlinear Applications is Challenging

- Code transformation from deterministic code to SG code
 - Need tools/libraries to automate computation of SG residual and Jacobian entries

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u}; \mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{0} \rightarrow \bar{\mathbf{F}}(\bar{\mathbf{u}}) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{F}_0 \\ \mathbf{F}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{F}_{N_{PC}} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

Large linear systems: Each block is the size of a single “deterministic” block



SNL's Trilinos provides powerful capabilities here





SNL's DAKOTA Optimization and UQ Toolkit

- Wide array of non-embedded (black box) capabilities
- Available as an *early delivery vehicle* for the VU capabilities developed in NEAMS (*...along with other software available at LANL and SNL*)
- *DAKOTA/FRAPCON-3 Coupling*
 - FY07 GNEP Fuels Campaign project at SNL
 - Goal: Apply DAKOTA to assess the sensitivity and quantify uncertainty of a FRAPCON-3 response variable relative to uncertain model parameters
 - Included extensive PIRT analysis





New DAKOTA UQ Capabilities

Advanced Components for Born-Assessed Codes

	Production	New	Under dev.	Planned	Collabs.
Sampling	LHS/MC, QMC/CVT	<u>IS/AIS/MMAIS</u> , <u>Incremental LHS</u>		Bootstrap, Jackknife	Gunzburger
Reliability	1 st /2 nd -order local: MVFOSM/SOSM, x/u AMV/AMV ² / AMV+/AMV ² +, x/u TANA, FORM/SORM	<u>Global: EGRA</u>			Renaud, Mahadevan
Polynomial Chaos		<u>Wiener-Askey</u> <u>gPC</u> : sampling, quadrature, pt collocation	<u>Cubature</u>	Adaptivity, Wiener-Haar	Ghanem
Other probabilistic				Dimension reduction	Youn
Epistemic	<u>Second-order probability</u>	<u>Dempster-Shafer</u> <u>evidence theory</u>		Bayesian, Imprecise probability	Higdon, Williams, Ferson
Metrics	Importance factors, Partial correlations	Main effects, <u>Variance-based decomposition</u>	<u>Stepwise regression</u>		Storlie

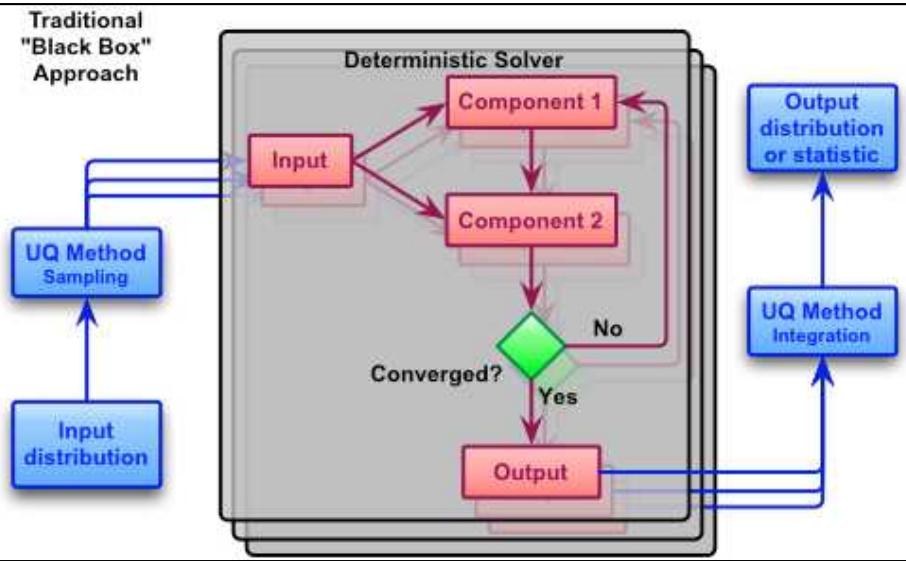
VU Integration: Some Remarks

- DAKOTA can be used as a starting point for NEAMS UQ, optimization, and sensitivity analyses, but must be further developed and appropriately tailored to support science-base licensing applications.
- NW-funded tools such as DAKOTA and Trilinos can be leveraged for developing Born-Assessed codes for NEAMS.

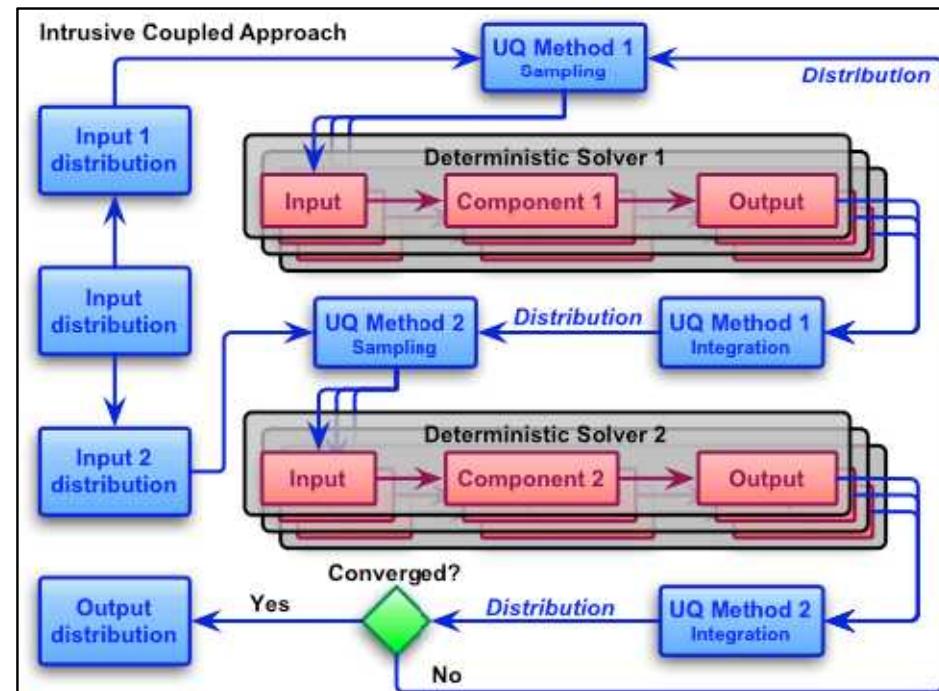


NEAMS Leveraging Opportunity: Coupled System Embedded UQ Research Project

(Led by SNL, Teaming with Ghanem at USC)



- Invert layering of UQ around system simulation
 - Apply UQ to each component separately
 - Stochastic coupled solver technology
- Potentially orders of magnitude savings
 - Heterogeneous UQ
 - Stochastic dimension reduction



- FY08 SNL Late-Start LDRD
 - Mathematical feasibility demonstrated
- Successful ASCR complex systems proposal (Beginning FY09, Post-CR)
 - Sandia ~\$600K/yr, USC ~\$200K/yr
 - *Emphasis on NE applications (reactor core to entire plant)*
 - Applicability to NEAMS

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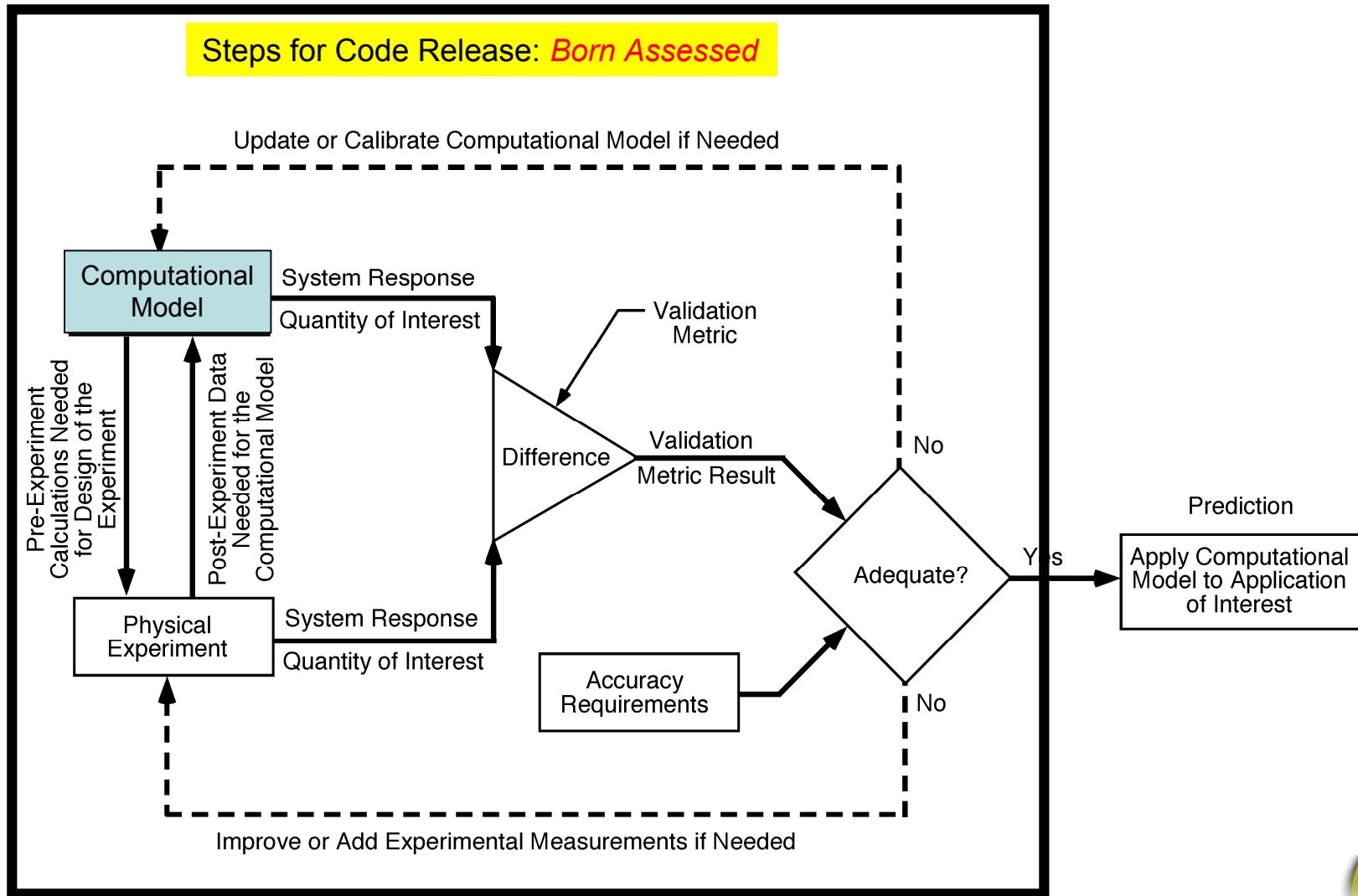
Towards Licensing:

Using Science-Based Modeling and Simulation for Risk-Informed Decisions

- Key Ingredients
 - Best Estimate + Uncertainty
 - Measure of Pedigree or “Confidence”: Predictive Capability Maturity Model (PCMM)
 - Treatment of other factors including “Unknown Unknowns”
- **There is more to risk-informed decision making than computational science**

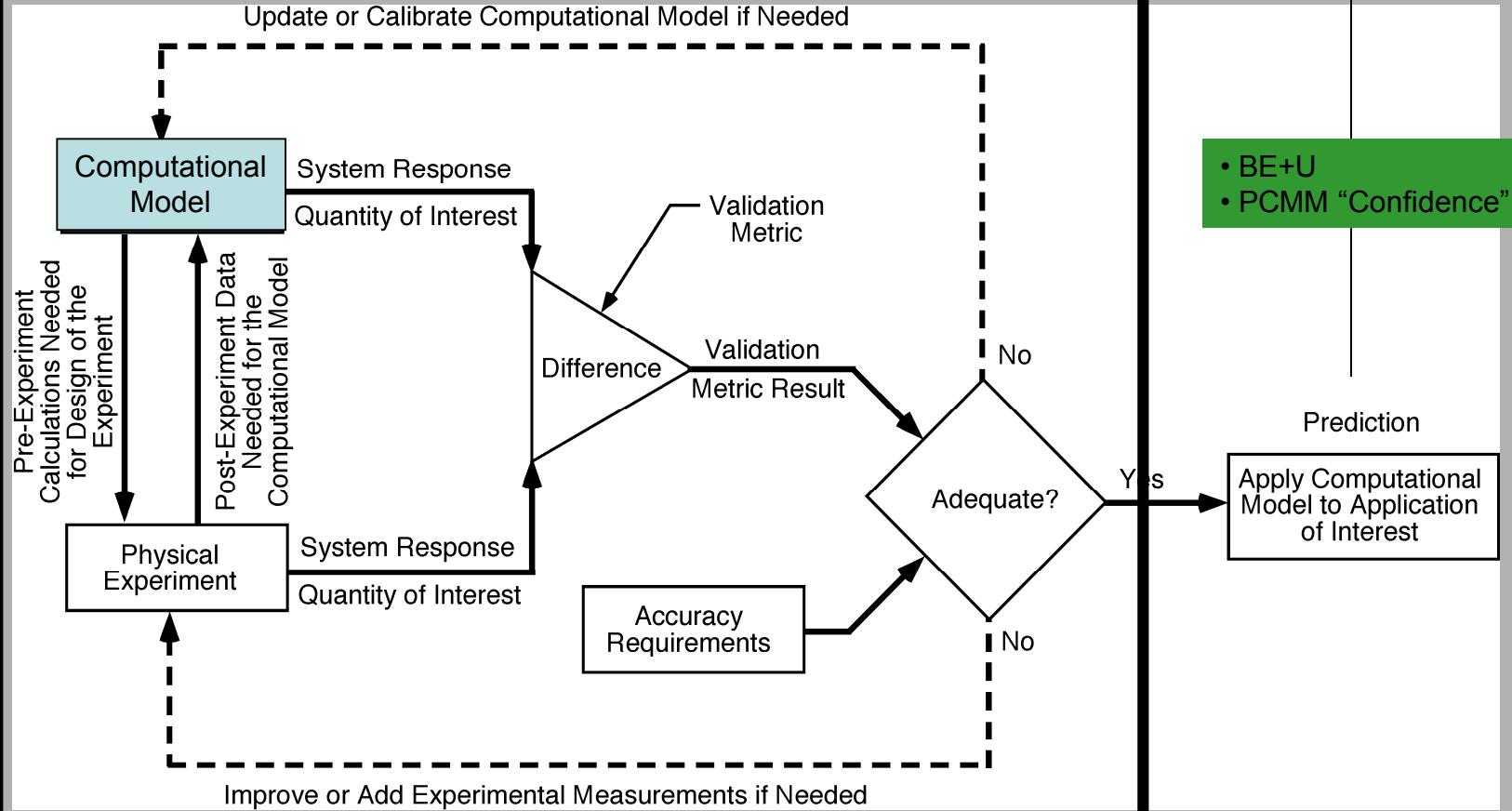


“Informing” the Licensing Process



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Steps for Code Release: *Born Assessed*



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Much can be leveraged from the NW program.



Key VU Challenge:

Integration Driven by the VU Program Element

- Integration of VU capabilities with the codes
- Integration of model development with
 - Physical experiments
 - Code development
- Integration of Born Assessed process
- Integration of V&V and UQ within the Licensing Framework

Key Lesson Learned:
Integration is Essential from Day 1

