



**Olkiluoto 3 EPR  
PSA Main results and conclusions –  
fulfillment of the regulatory  
requirements for operating license**

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# OLKILUOTO 3 EPR MAIN FEATURES



# OLKILUOTO 3 EPR NPP

4 loop Pressurized Water Reactor 1600 MWe,  
supplied by consortium of AREVA and Siemens to TVO

Safety approach consists of

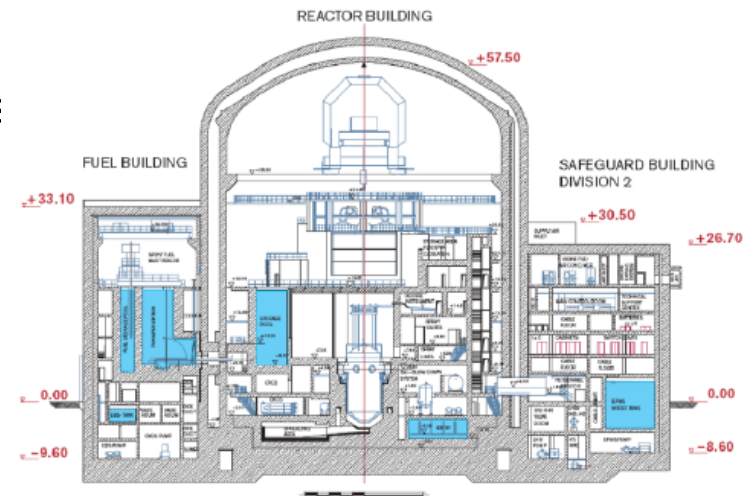
- improved preventive measures against accidents
- Mitigation features to cope with severe accident

Accident Prevention enforced by:

- ◆ Four redundant and geographically separated safeguard system trains (divisions)
- ◆ Diversity in system design and safety functions including back-ups to eliminate common mode failures
- ◆ Physical separation against internal & external hazards
- ◆ Increased grace periods for operator actions by large water inventories
- ◆ optimized man-machine interface by digital instrumentation and control systems
- ◆ Severe accidents are taken into account in the design



Nuclear Island building arrangement





# REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

# OL3 PSA Regulatory Framework in Finland

- **Authority STUK supervises compliance with legislation and regulations**
- **Regulatory Guides on nuclear safety and security (YVL)**
- **YVL 2.8\* - May 2003 – valid guideline for the operating license „PROBABILISTIC SAFETY ANALYSIS IN SAFETY MANAGEMENT OF NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS“**
  - ◆ **Requirements on a “PSA DURING THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NPP”**
  - ◆ **Requirements on a “PSA DURING THE OPERATION OF NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS”**
  - ◆ **CONTENT AND DOCUMENTATION OF PSA**
  - ◆ **QUALITY MANAGEMENT**

→ **Provides basic requirements on the scope and application of a PSA**

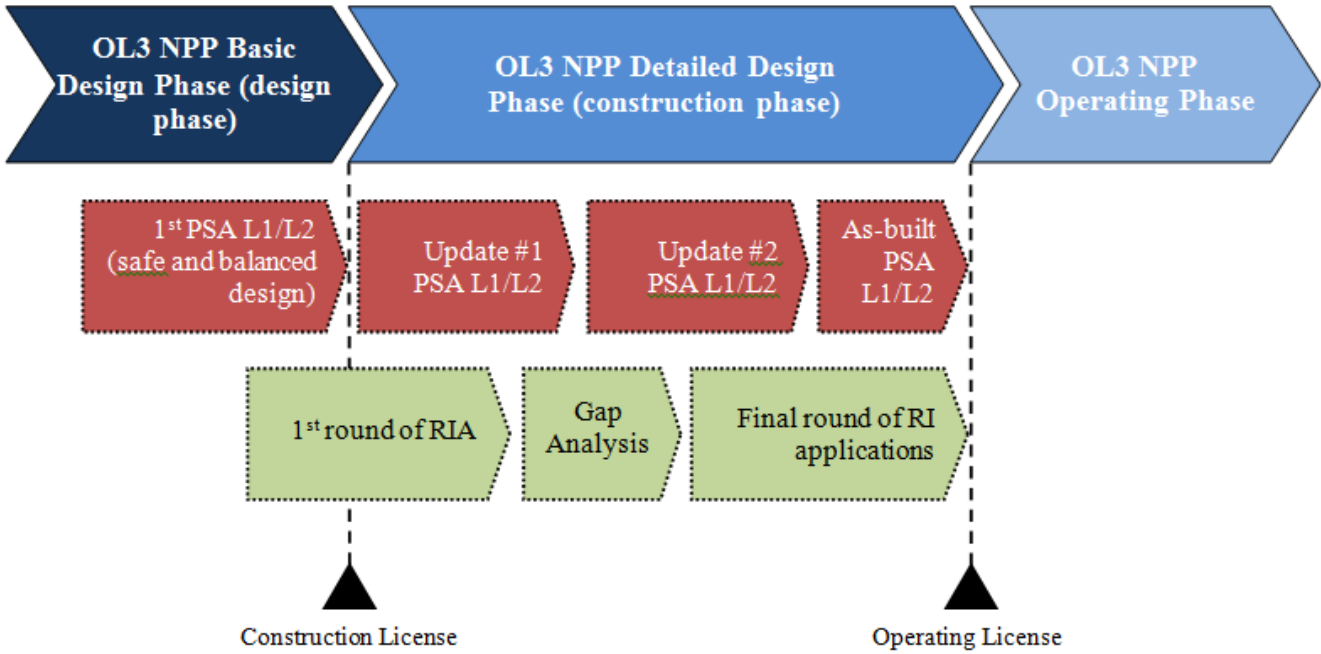
\* Replaced Nov 2013 by YVL A.7

# OL3 PSA Risk Application \*

- **The Finnish YVL regulatory guide requires the use of the PSA during construction and commissioning by Risk-Informed application, e.g:**
  - ◆ In-Service Inspection (RI-ISI)  
*“The PRA shall be used in the risk-informed development of the in-service inspection programmes of Safety Class 1, 2 and 3 as well as Class EYT system piping.”*
  - ◆ Periodic Testing (RI-PT)  
*“The PRA shall be used in the risk-informed development of testing procedures for systems and components important to safety”*
  - ◆ Technical Specification (RI-TS)  
*“The PRA shall be used in the risk-informed development of the Operational Limits and Conditions (OLC) to assess their coverage and balance.”*
  - ◆ Classification/categorization (RI-SSC)  
*“The PRA shall be applied to determine the safety classification of structures, systems and components.”*
  - ◆ Preventive Maintenance  
*“The PRA shall be used ... to develop preventive maintenance programmes”.*
- **Furthermore the PSA shall be used for**
  - ◆ drawing up EOP and provide input for the staff training
  - ◆ provide potential risk related insides to the commissioning test phase and program

\* See paper #162 on Lessons learned on RIA

# PROJECT EXECUTION





# OL3 PSA

## Project execution (1)

- Design phase PSA
  - ◆ A level 1 and 2 “**Design phase PSA**” is submitted for the application for construction license (CLA)
  - ◆ RiskSpectrum model (2004)
- Detailed design phase
  - contineous update of the PSA
  - ◆ to support the detailed design
  - ◆ to form a basis for the “Construction phase PSA”
  - ◆ Intermediate FinPSA model releases for reference configurations (e.g 2009, 2010, 2015)
- Construction phase PSA
  - ◆ A level 1 and 2 “**Construction phase PSA**” is submitted for the application for operating license (OLA)
  - ◆ Releases 2015 + 2016 with an Extended Fire PSA and a conservative and realistic model
  - ◆ Last release in 2018 (update concerning design reference configuration integration authority comments on OLA PSA)

# OL3 PSA Project execution (2)

- **Determination of methods on different topics in specific methodology reports**

→ included a STUK Review + Approval

- ◆ **PSA**

- internal flooding und internal fire
- Common Cause Initiator
- HRA
- Seismic PSA plan
- Developing of Seismic Fragilities
- Consideration of spurious signals in PSA

- ◆ **PSA based risk application**

- Probabilistic Review of Safety Classification
- Risk-informed Periodic Testing
- Risk-Informed Technical Specifications
- Risk informed Pre-Service and In-Service Inspection Methodology

→ ***Securement of the progressing PSA work for the final license process***



# TARGETS

# OL3 PSA Targets

- According to the Government Resolution (395/1991) referred in YVL 2.8, *accidents leading to large releases of radioactive materials shall be very unlikely*
  - ◆ In YVL2.8 the following numerical design objectives for the whole nuclear power plant are given
    - The mean value of the probability of core damage is less than **1E-5/a**
    - The mean value of the probability of a release exceeding the target value defined in section 12 of the Government Resolution (395/1991) must be smaller than **5E-7/a**.
    - Definition of **large release**:
      - Atmospheric release of **cesium-137** exceeding **100 TBq**



# SCOPE AND MODELLING

# OL3 PSA Scope

- **Level 1 and Level 2 PSA**
- **Plant operating states: at-power and shutdown**
- **Spectrum of initiating events :**
  - ◆ **Internal events: (e.g Transients; Secondary side breaks; LOCA)**
  - ◆ **Common cause initiators (based on screening analysis);**
  - ◆ **Internal hazards:**
    - Internal Fire;
    - Internal Flooding;
    - Load drop;
  - ◆ **External hazards:**
    - Seismic events
    - other external events (based on a screening analysis)
  - ◆ **Events affecting the heat removal from the spent fuel pool**


- **System modeling is based Failure Mode and Effects Analysis (FMEA) which includes**
  - ◆ Component failures by their specific failure modes,
  - ◆ Failure of dependencies
    - power supply of the component (electrical power supply, compressed air)
    - signals for actuation,
    - auxiliary systems (e.g. cooling water, room cooling, lubrication oil supply) ,
- **Additionally fault tree modeling includes:**
  - ◆ Scheduled test and maintenance unavailability of the component
  - ◆ Common cause failures
  - ◆ Human errors (pre-accident and post-accident)
  - ◆ Unavailability of components due to the initiating event (e.g. CCI and Hazards like fire, flooding)
  - ◆ undesired (spurious) emission of signals

# Modeling of I&C

- **Based on FMEA for I&C systems**
- **I&C reliability analyses to verify unavailability targets:**
  - ◆ Detailed FT-Modelling of I&C functions with basic events on hardware module level
  - ◆ modelling of software failure modes
  - ◆ Provides the basis for the I&C modelling in the PSA
- **Compact modelling of I&C in the PSA**
  - ◆ super components sub fault trees to create super-component basic events representing the failure of I&C system units
    - Not directly linked to the PSA model
    - Provide the failure probability for the I&C super-component basic events in the PSA
  - ◆ Super-components are then used for the I&C Fault tree modelling in the PSA (detected and undetected failures),
    - Signal conditioning
    - Processing units
    - Explicit modelling of dependencies on power supply, HVAC and indications in the control room for Diagnosis tasks



# Treatment of uncertainties

- Quantitative based on the uncertainty distributions of parameters 
  - ◆ initiating event frequencies
  - ◆ component failure rates
  - ◆ Parameters on common cause failures
  - ◆ Human error probabilities
- Qualitative
  - ◆ Discussion of modeling uncertainties (assumptions and simplifications)  
→ includes an evaluation of the impact on the result
  - ◆ Tracking of model modifications with the reasoning and evaluation of the impact on the result
- Sensitivity analyses for the major uncertainties on modeling assumptions, methods and data e.g:
  - ◆ CCF Modelling according to US NRC MGL parameters versus EUR
  - ◆ Consideration of multiple spurious operations due to software failures
  - ◆ Sensitivity studies on assumptions made for ATWS modeling
  - ◆ Sensitivity studies on assumption in Fire PSA

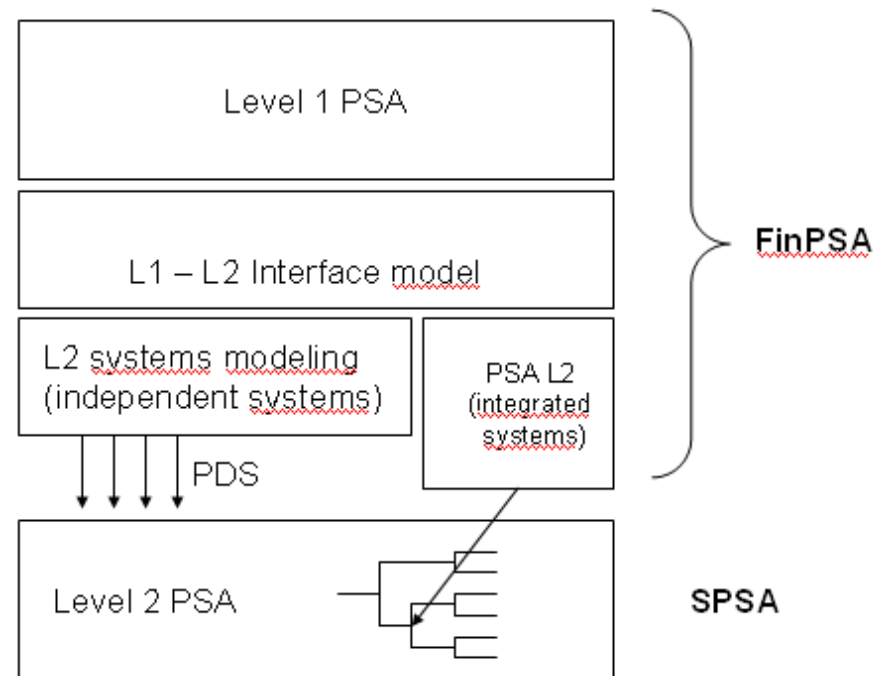
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- Non-integrated approach consisting of 3 parts:

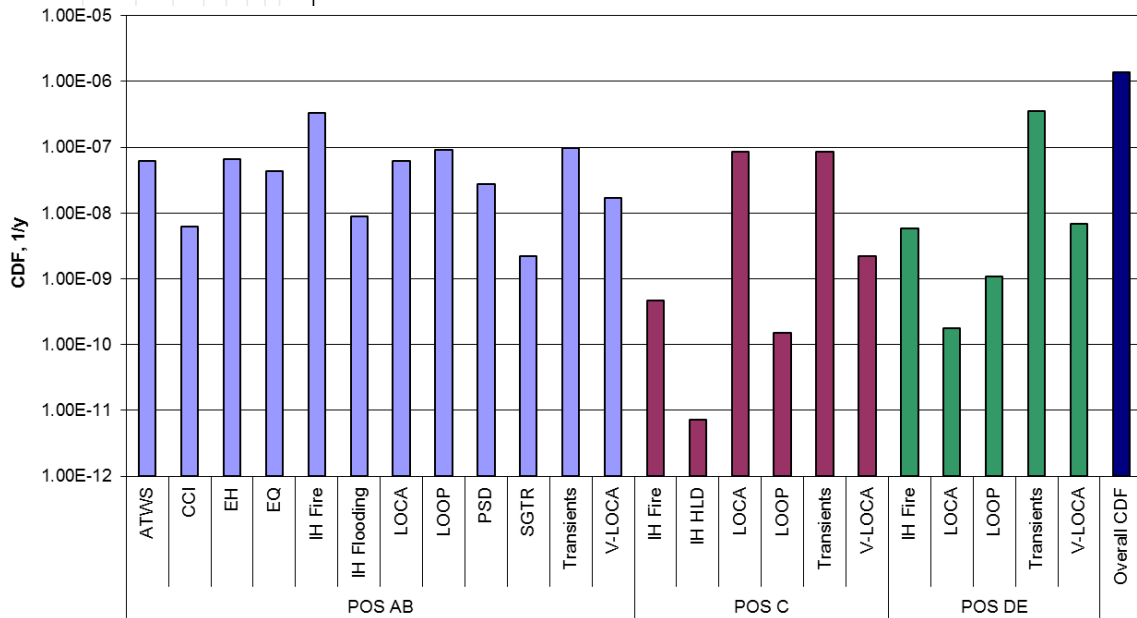
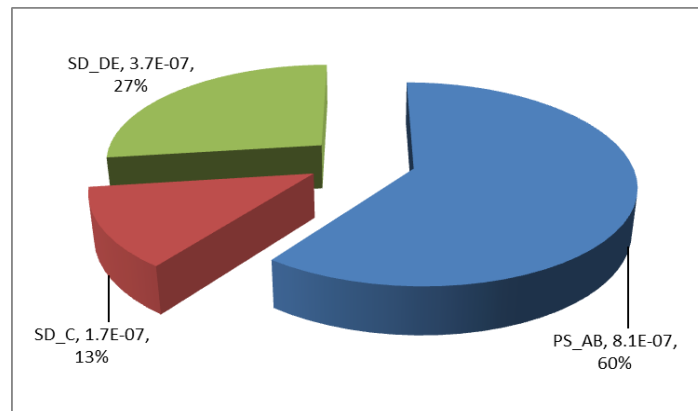
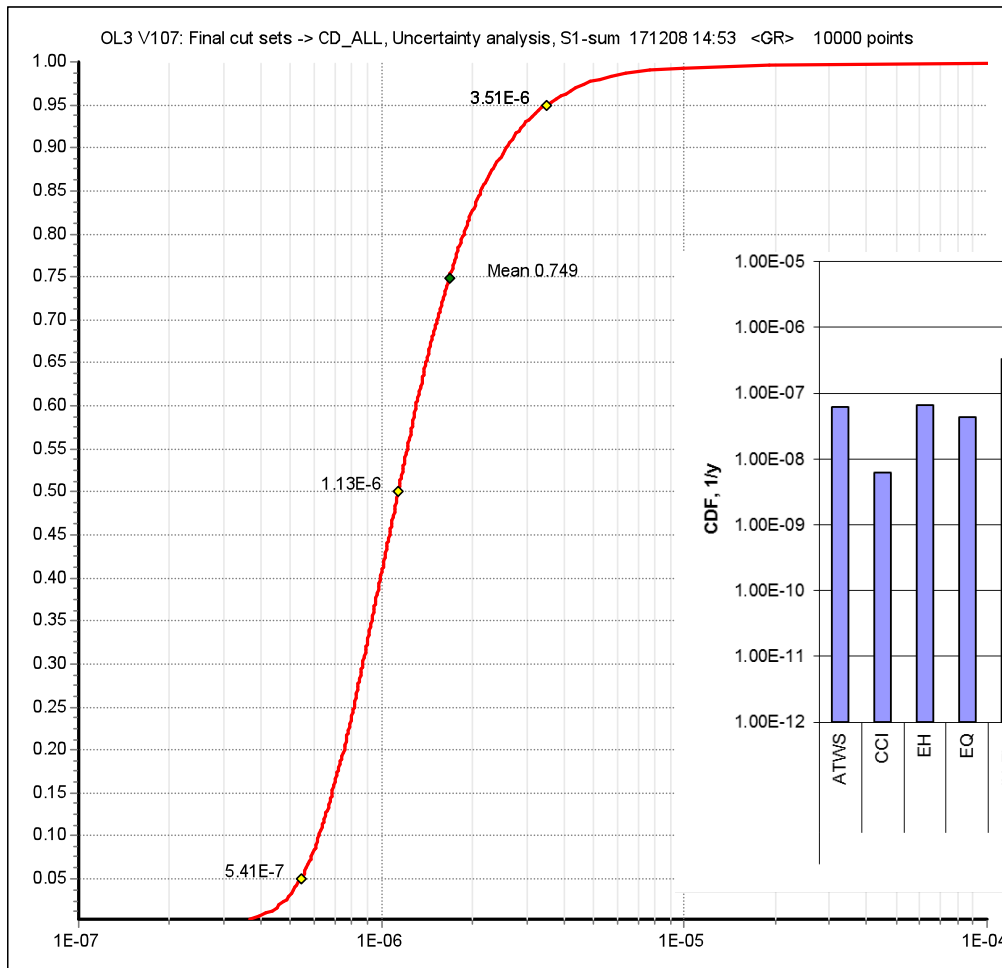
- ◆ Level 1 PSA model
- ◆ Level 1 – Level 2 PSA interface model
- ◆ Accident progression event tree model

- Advantages:

- ◆ modeling of the substantial uncertainties related to severe accident phenomena
- ◆ possibility to calculate path-dependent source terms within the event tree model
- ◆ exact quantification for large branch probabilities



# RESULTS

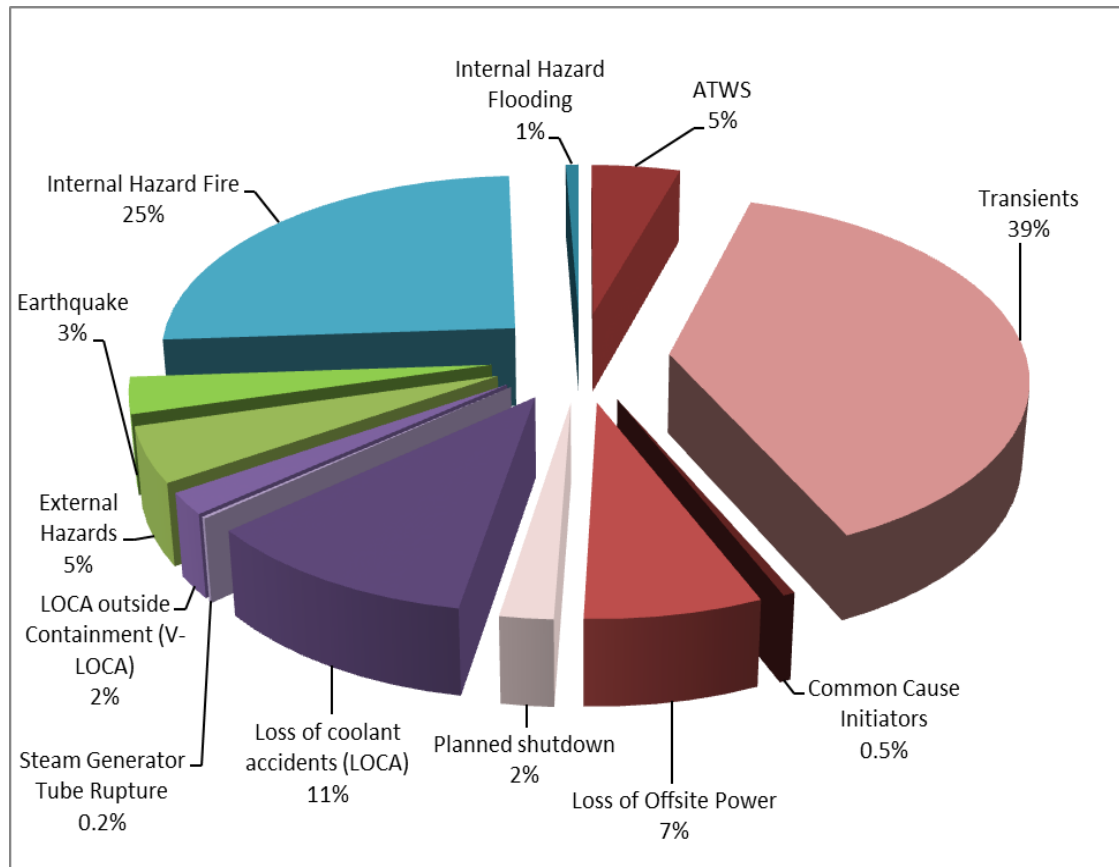


# OL3 PSA Results \*

- **Core damage frequency of the Level 1 PSA :**
  - ◆ **Mean value:** **1.7E-06/a**  
(Percentiles: 5% → 5.4E-7, 50% → 1.1E-6, 95% → 3.5E-06)
  - ◆ **Point estimate:** **1.4E-06/a**
  
- **Fuel damage frequency (fuel pool events):**
  - ◆ **Mean value – 2.2E-08/a**
  
- **Large release frequency Level 2 PSA**
  - ◆ **Mean value (includes core and spent fuel pool)**  
  
(over 100 TBq of Cs-137) **7.7E-08/a,**
  
  - ◆ **Core related ca 72%; spent fuel pool related ca 28%.**

\* 2018 Release

# OL3 PSA Main contributors to CDF



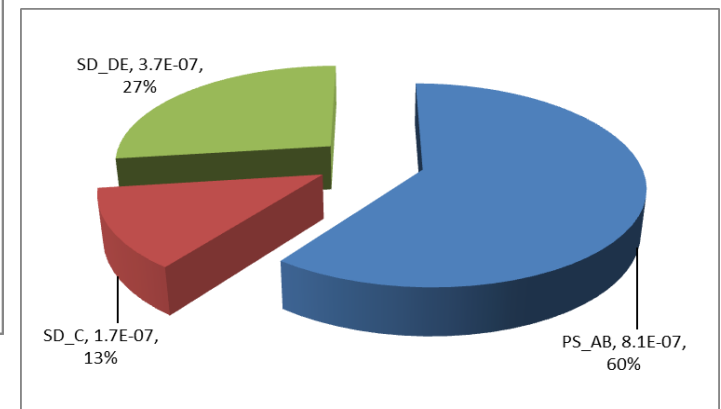
**Internal events  
(Transients and LOCA) 66%**

**Internal Hazards 26%**

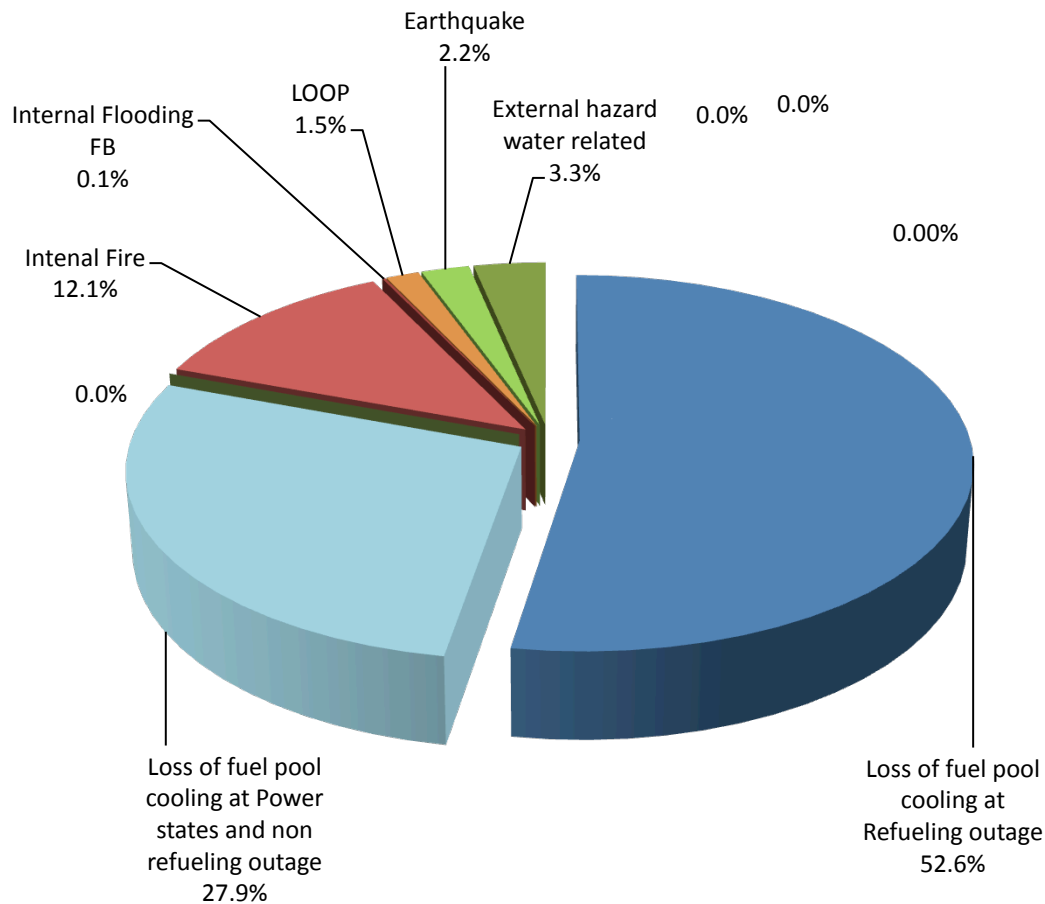
**External Hazards 8%**

**Power operation 60%,**

**Shutdown states  
with RPV closed 13%,  
with RPV open 27%**

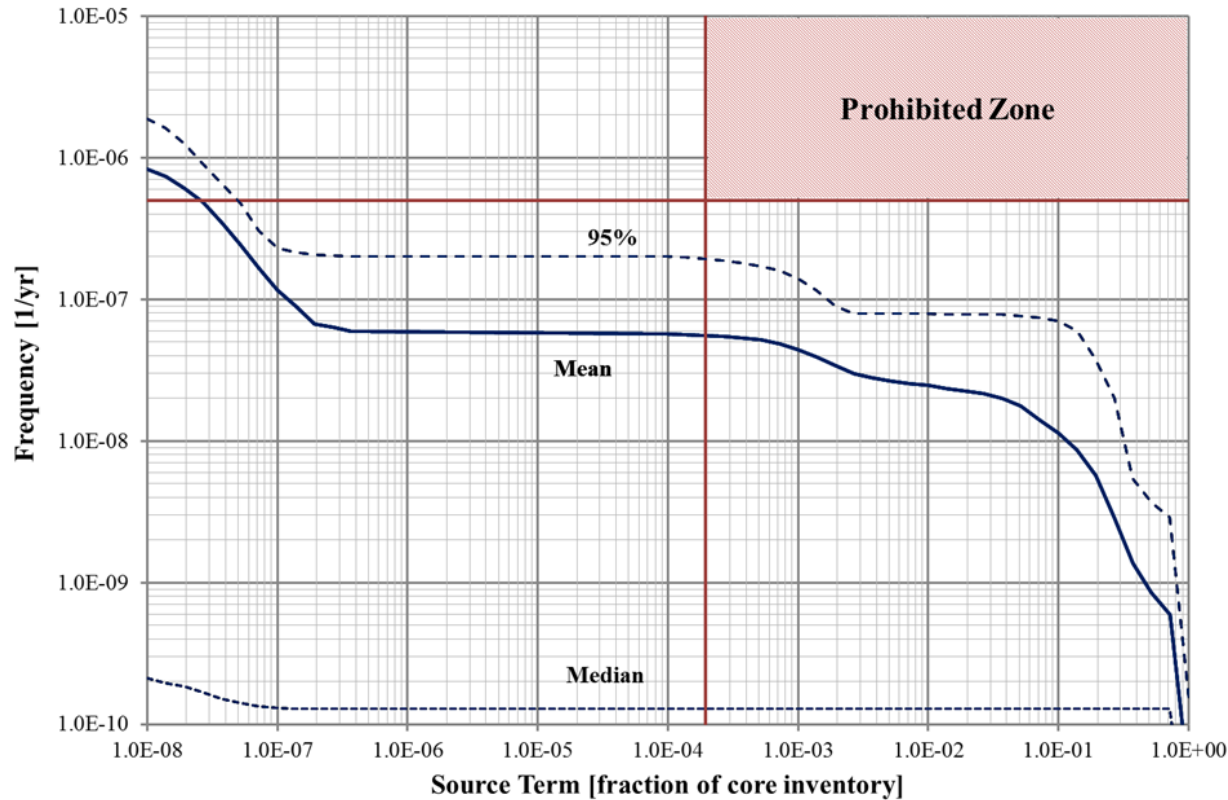


# Relative contribution of events leading to fuel damage



**Power operation and non refueling outage 47%,  
Refueling outage 53%,**

# OL3 PSA Release Frequency versus Cs-137 source term



- The prohibited zone is restricted by Guide YVL 2.8, where the frequency of releases exceeding 100 TBq of Cs 137 must be less than  $5E-7$  /a.

\*) Basis 2017

# OL3 PSA Conclusion

- Continuous update of PSA from the beginning of the Project to correspond to the progression during detailed design and provide insights to the design
- Results used to verify the plant design as well as verify/optimize operating and maintenance procedures and commissioning program by RI applications
- Latest PSA update was submitted to the regulatory body (STUK) in 2018 as part of the operating license application
  - ◆ Full scope PSA concerning spectrum of initiating events, plant operating states and modelling of systems (including dependencies)
  - ◆ Demonstration that the core damage frequency and the frequency of large releases is well below the target values required by Finnish regulation





# Thank You

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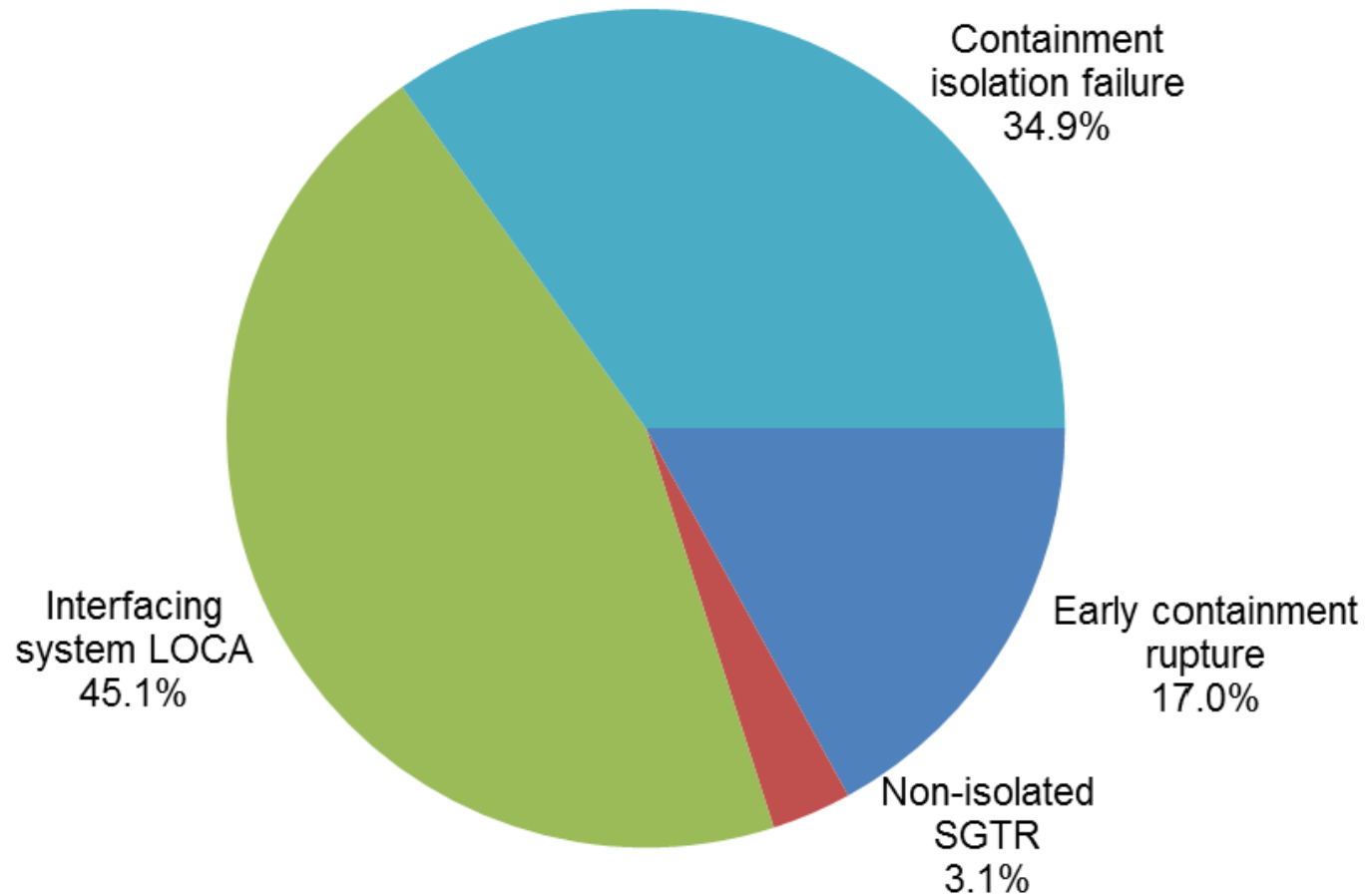
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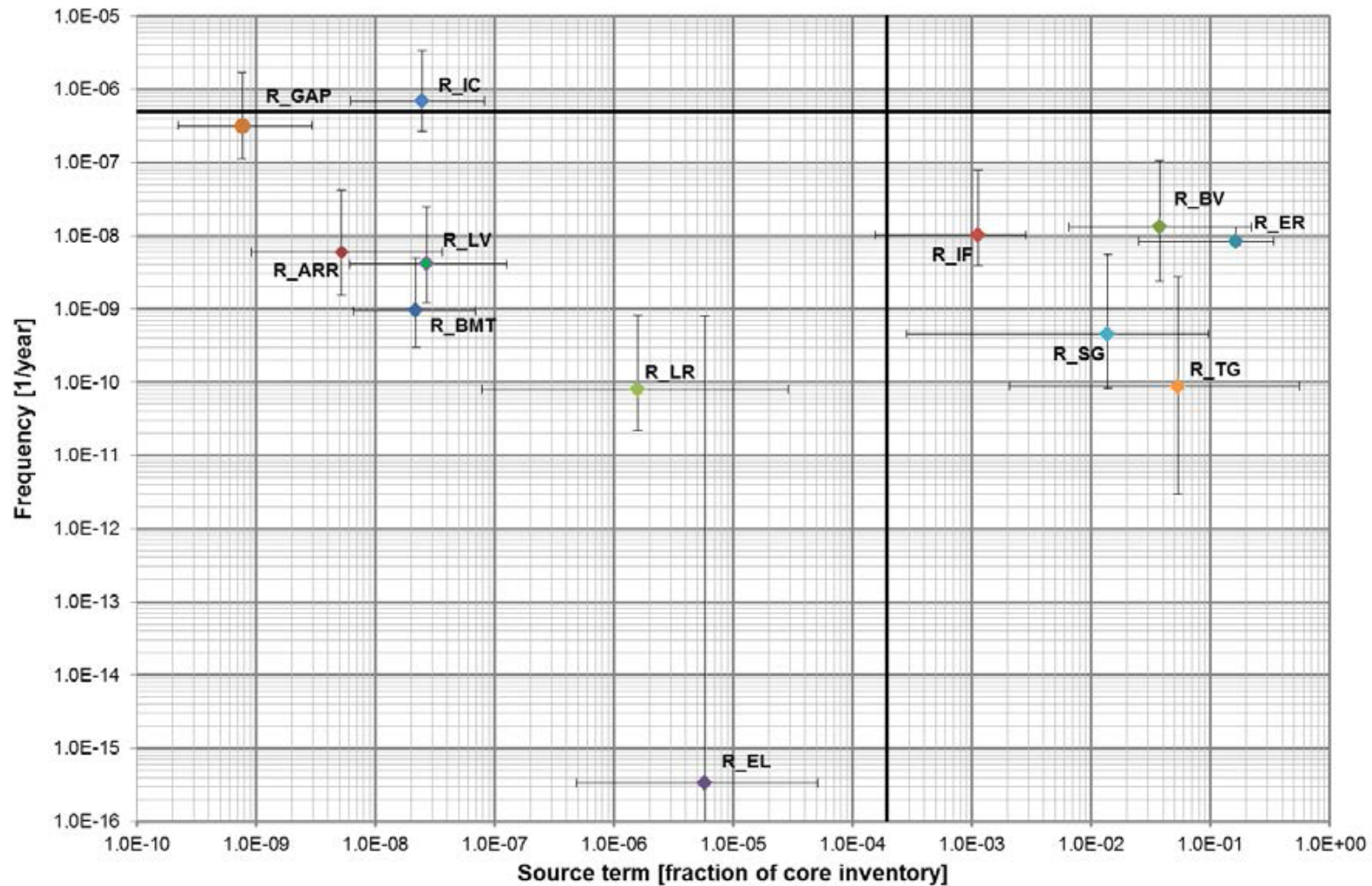


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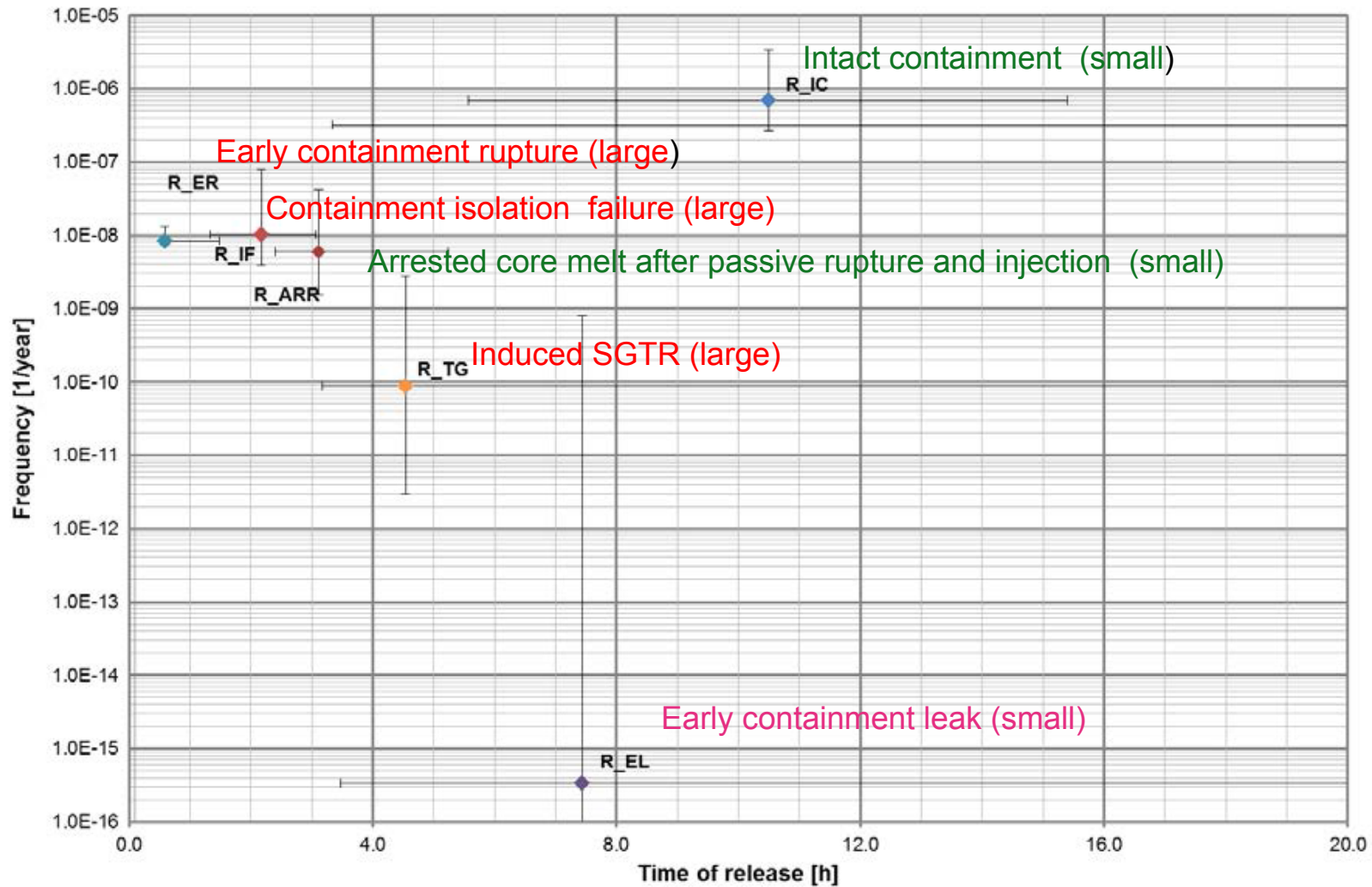
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## FREQUENCY VERSUS SOURCE TERM, NON CUMULATIVE



# FREQUENCY VERSUS TIME OF RELEASE, Early (first 20h)



# Component reliability data

- Reliability data assessment on **failure rates** including **uncertainty distributions** based on operating experience taken from reference plants N4 (France) / KONVOI (Germany)

If applicable for the respective equipment use of:

- Germany – ZEDB (centralized reliability data base)
- French data – EIReDA data base

Otherwise use of other data sources e.g:

- Nordic failure data provided in T-Book
- US operating experience

# Modeling of Human actions

- Identification of relevant operator actions by a multidisciplinary HRA team
- Types of human action considered in the PSA:
  - ◆ Post IE errors on tasks required after an initiating event:
    - Automatic protection design precludes any need of operator action within the first 30 minutes after accident initiation
    - Post-IE operator failure relevant
      - the plant has to be brought into a safe shutdown condition in the longer term,
      - beyond design conditions due to failure of safety system functions,
  - ◆ Pre-IE errors during maintenance and repair (e.g wrong position of valves; miscalibration of measurements)
  - ◆ Inadvertent plant personnel performance may lead to initiating events,
    - errors of this type are of interest especially in the shutdown PSA
- THERP (Technique of Human Error Rate Prediction) method used to predict human error probabilities
  - ◆ very detailed analysis method using the decomposition of task (diagnosis and action)
  - ◆ recommended for NPP applications in several guidance, e.g European Utility Requirements and German PSA Guidelines