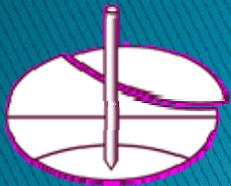


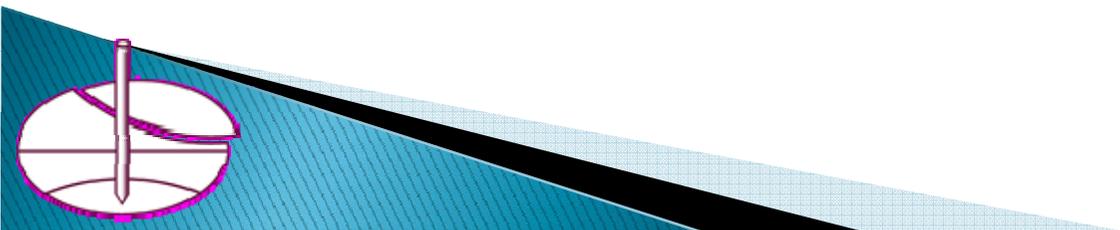
# Level III Reliability Based Design of Examples set by ETC10

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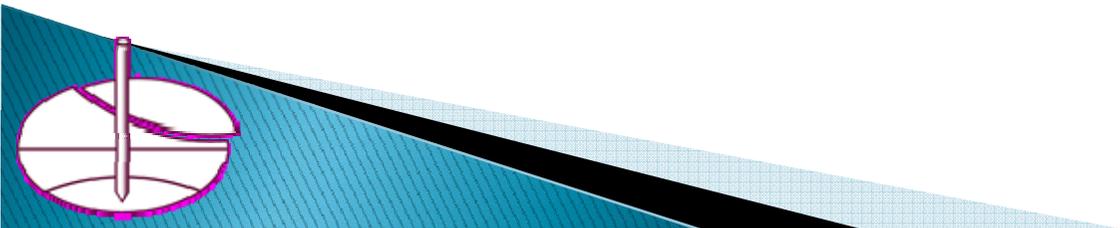
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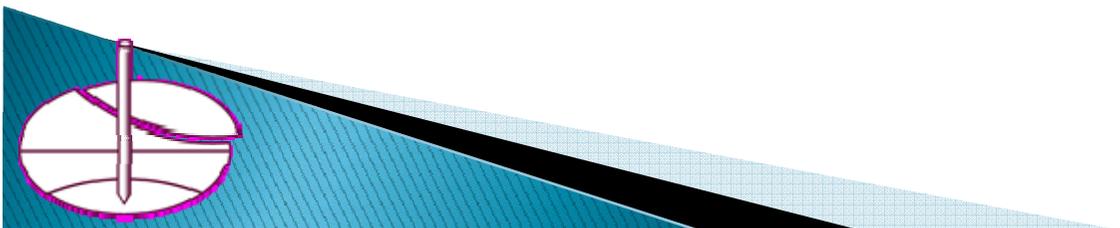
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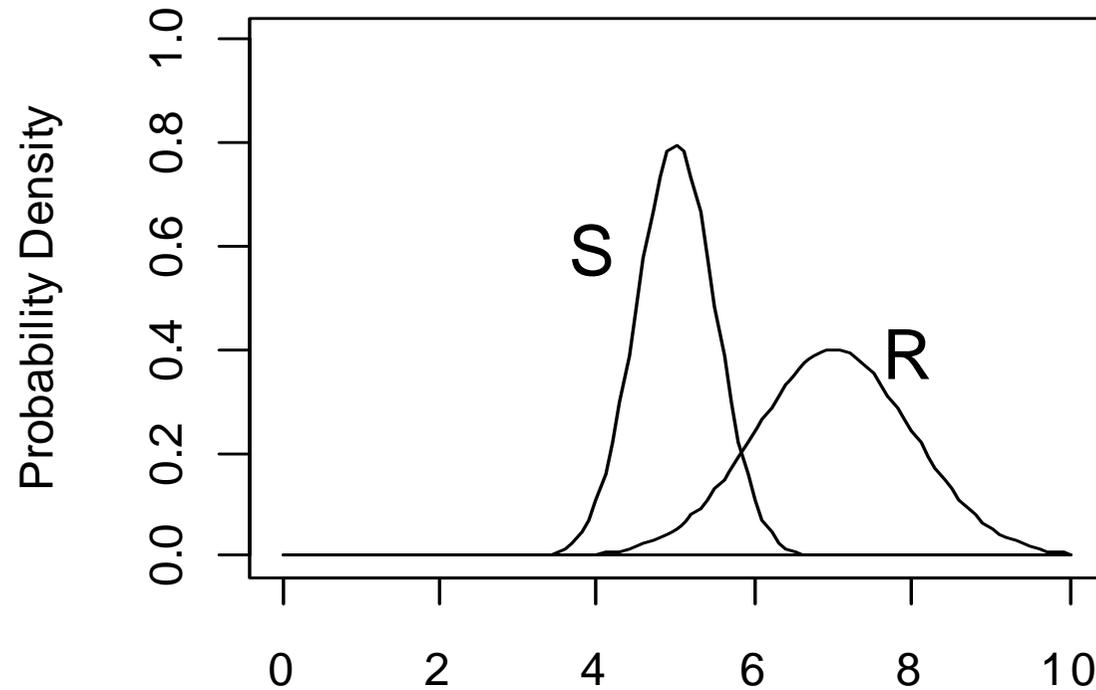


## Classification of Reliability based Design in Structure Engineering

Design Method	Basic Variables	Reliability Assessment	Verification
<b>Level III</b> Full distribution	Random variables Probability distributions	Failure Probability	Cost Optimization etc.
<b>Level II</b> FORM and $\beta$	Random variables Mean, SD & Covariances (Distribution Free)	Reliability index $\beta$	Target $\beta_T$
<b>Level I</b> Partial factors	Deterministic variables	Partial factors LRFD	Verification formula



## Level III RBD Full distribution approach

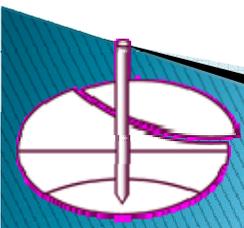


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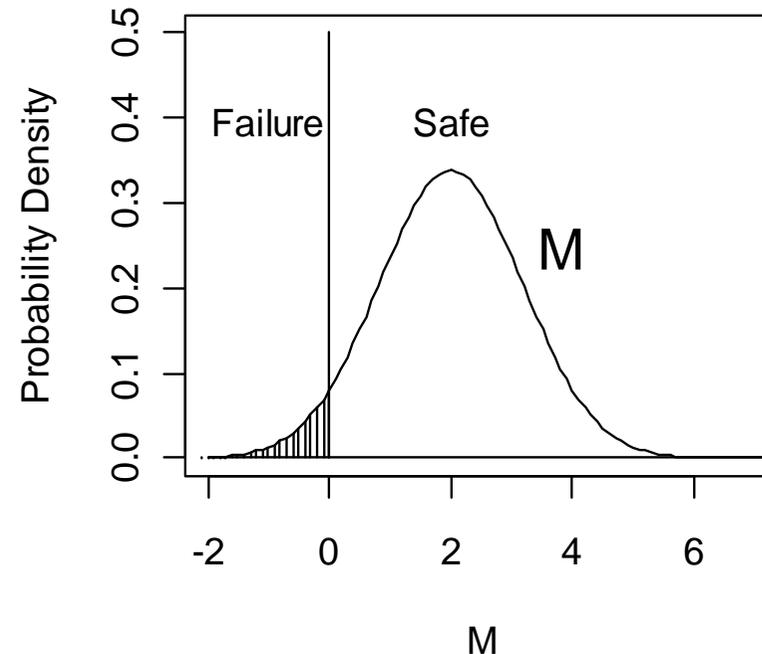
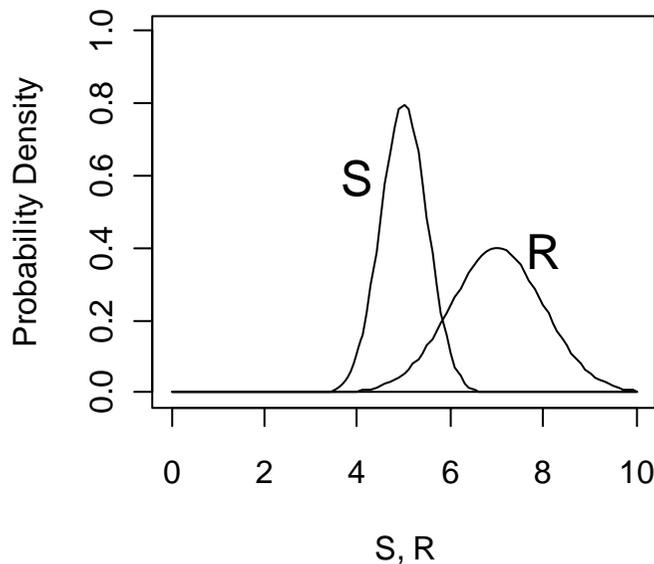
$$P_f = P[R \leq S]$$

Design structures so that

$$P_f \leq P_{fT}$$



## Level III RBD Full distribution approach



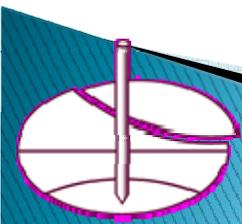
$$M = R - S$$

where  $R$  : resistance  $R \sim N(\mu_R, \sigma_R^2)$   $S$  : force  $S \sim N(\mu_S, \sigma_S^2)$

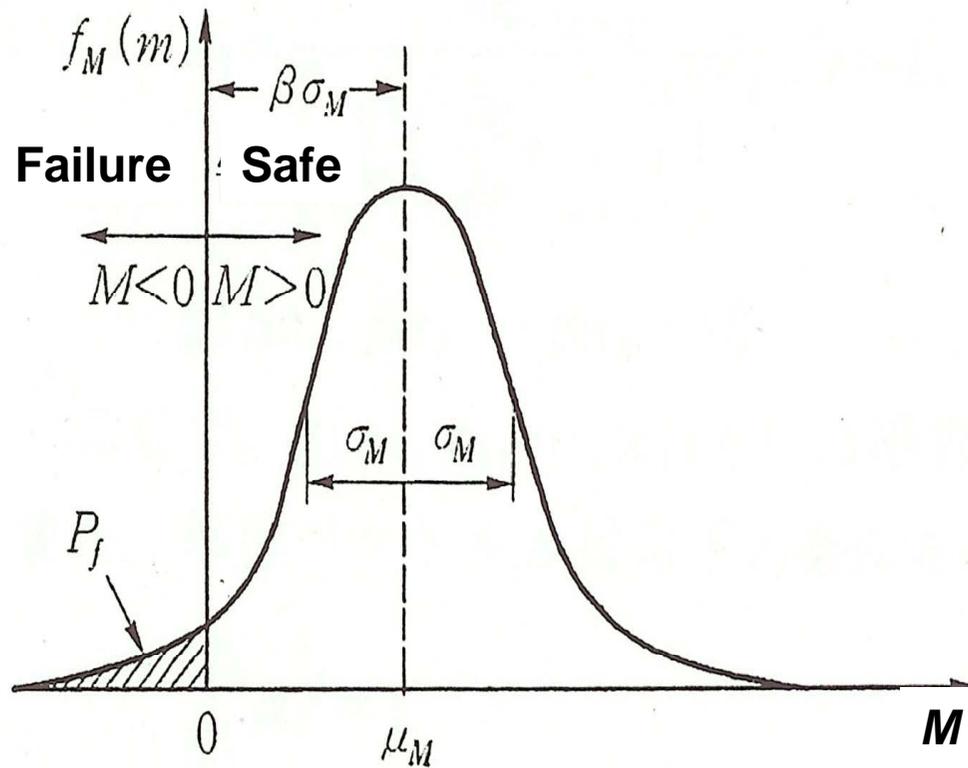
$M$  : safety margin, and  $M \sim N(\mu_M, \sigma_M^2)$

where  $\mu_M = \mu_R - \mu_S$ ,  $\sigma_M^2 = \sqrt{\sigma_R^2 + \sigma_S^2}$

therefore,  $P_f = P[M \leq 0]$



# Level II RBD (reliability based design): FORM and Reliability Index



$$M = R - S$$

$$\rightarrow \beta = \frac{\mu_M}{\sigma_M} = \frac{\mu_R - \mu_S}{\sqrt{\sigma_R^2 + \sigma_S^2}}$$

$M$  : safety margin

$R$  : resistance  $\sim N(\mu_R, \sigma_R^2)$

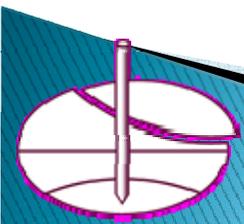
$S$  : force  $\sim N(\mu_S, \sigma_S^2)$

$\beta$  : reliability index

$$P_f = P[M \leq 0]$$

**Table 1.3 Relationship between  $\beta$  and  $P_f$  (Normal distribution)**

$P_f$	$10^{-1}$	$5 \times 10^{-2}$	$10^{-2}$	$10^{-3}$	$10^{-4}$
$\beta$	1.28	1.64	2.32	3.09	3.72



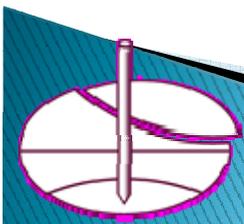
## Level II: Recommended $\beta$ -values (examples)

**Table 1.1**  $\beta$  recommended in EN 1990 annex B

Reliability class (RC)	Min $\beta$ for 50 years for U.L.S.		Limit State	Target $\beta$ for 50 years (RC2)
RC3	4.3		U.L.S.	3.8
RC2	3.8		Fatigue	1.5 – 3.8
RC1	3.3		S.L.S.	1.5 (irreversible)

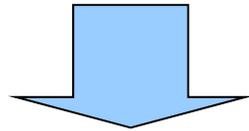
**Table 1.2** Target  $\beta$  values (life time examples) in ISO2394

Relative cost of safety measures	Consequences of failure			
	little	some	moderate	great
high	0.0	1.5	2.3	3.1
moderate	1.3	2.3	3.1	3.8
low	2.3	3.1	3.8	4.3

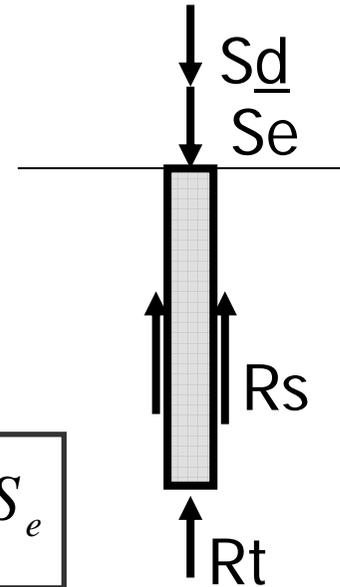


## Level I RBD: partial factors / LRFD format

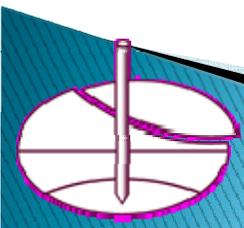
$$\frac{1}{F_s} (R_t + R_s) \geq S_d + S_e$$



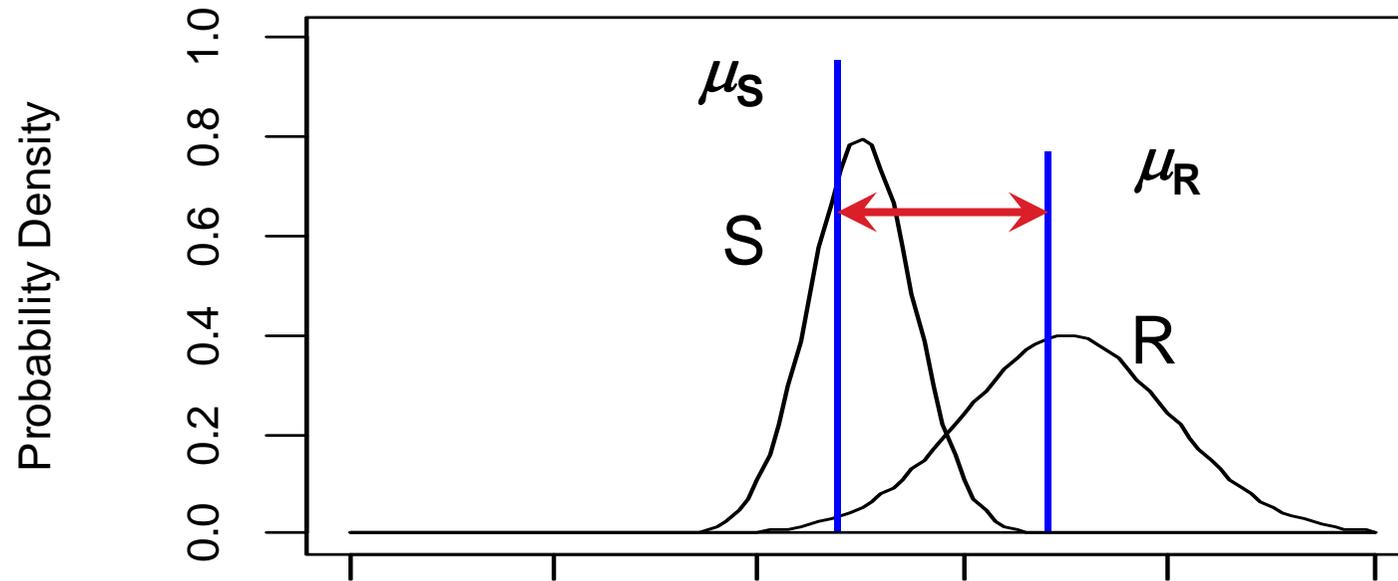
$$R_t / \gamma_{Rt} + R_s / \gamma_{Rs} \geq \gamma_{Sd} S_d + \gamma_{Se} S_e$$



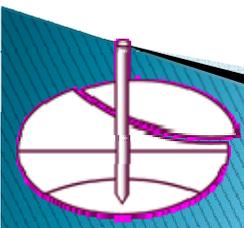
**By determining partial factors based on Level II or III RBD, one can incorporate the intended safety margin (e.g.  $\beta_T$ ) into structures. This is the mission of code writers to fix these partial factor values in this way (code calibration).**



## Level I RBD: partial factors approach

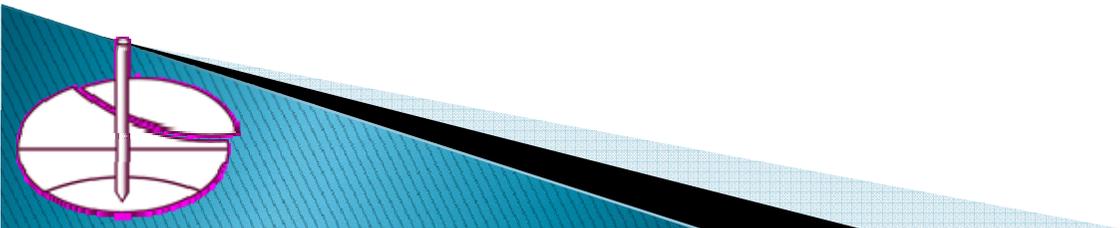


**Given the target reliability level (e.g.  $\beta_T$ ), and assuming  $\sigma_R^2$  and  $\sigma_S^2$  are known, one determine the distance between  $\mu_R$  and  $\mu_S$  by partial factors.**



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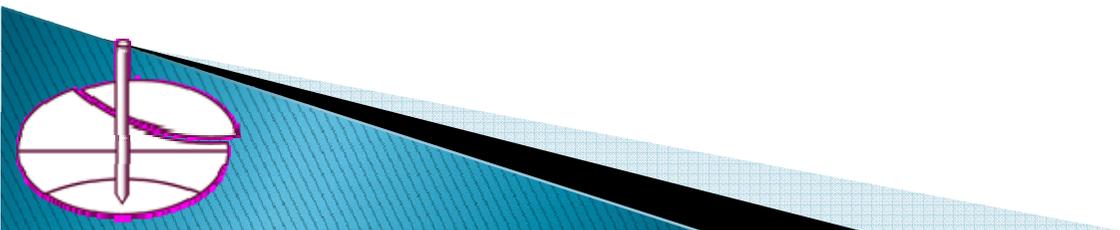
# Two sources of LSD in Structural Eurocodes

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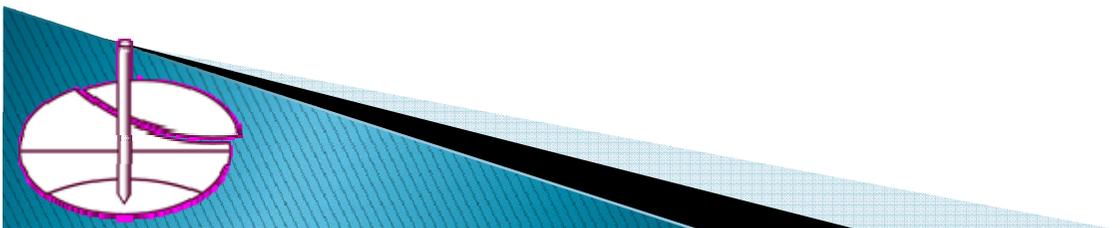
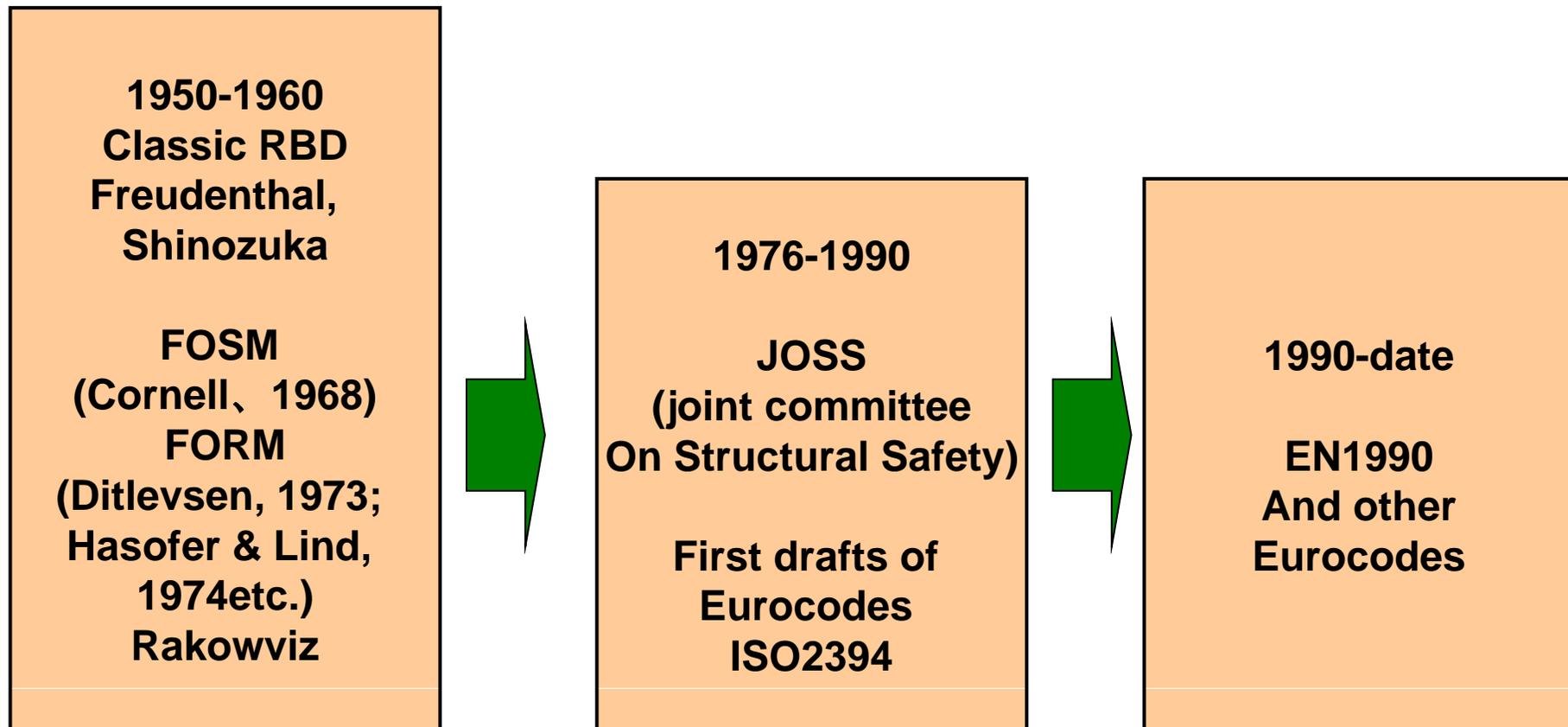
- Classic Reliability based Design by Fredenthal et al. (from 1940<sup>th</sup>)
- FOSM by Cornell(1969) and FORM by Ditlevsen (1973); Hasofer & Lind (1974) etc.
- Activities of JCSS (Joint Committee on Structural Safety)
- Eurocodes 0,1,2,3 ...

## ➤ Geotechnical Engineering

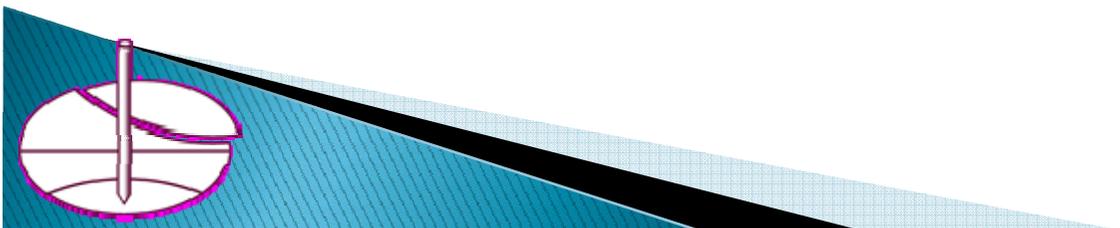
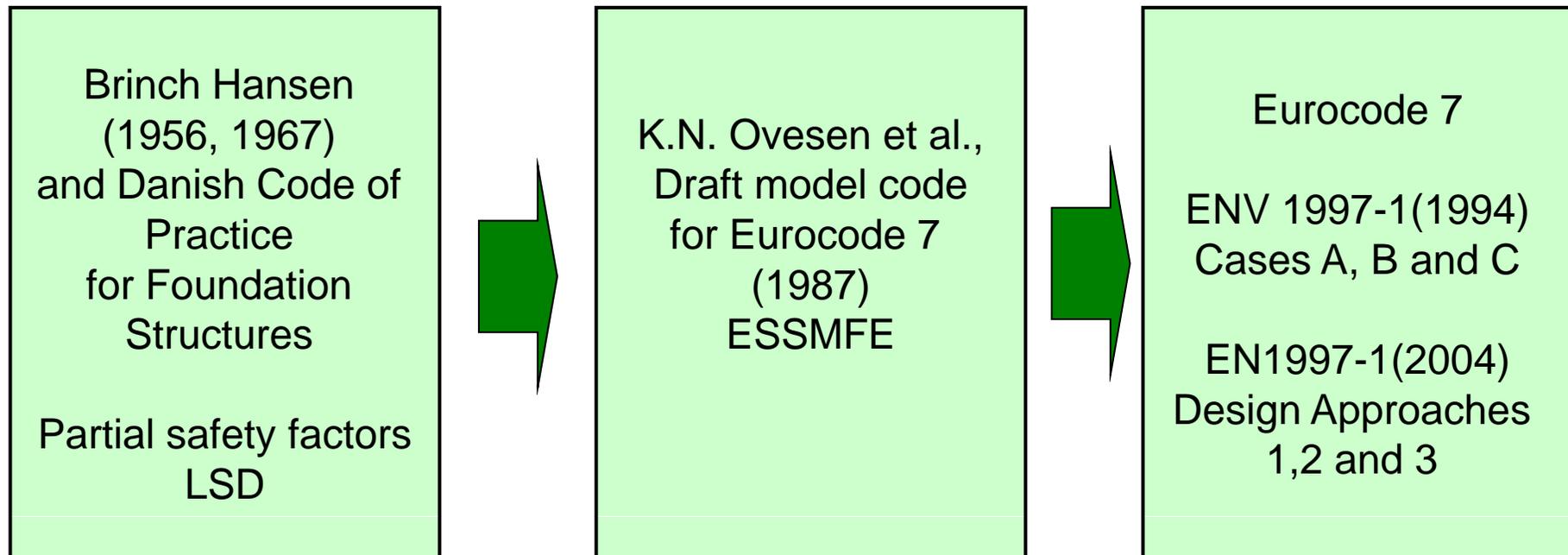
- Brinch Hansen (1956, 1967) and Danish Code of Practice for Foundation Structures (LSD and partial factors of safety)
- K.N. Ovesen et al., Draft model code for Eurocode 7 (1987)
- Eurocode 7



# Development of LSD and partial safety factors in Eurocode – **Structural Design**



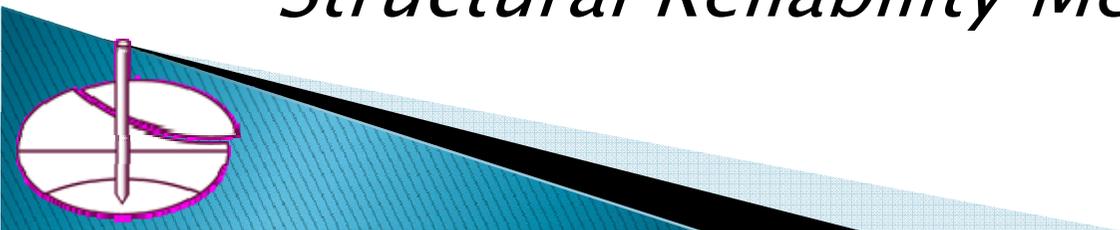
# Development of LSD and partial safety factors in Eurocode – **Geotechnical Design**



## Partial safety factor: contributions from geotechnical engineering

A consistent code formulation of a detailed partial safety factor principle was started in the 1950's in Denmark before other places in the world. This development got particular support from the considerations of **J. Brinch Hansen** who applied the principles in the field of soil mechanics.

(Ditlevsen and Madsen,  
*Structural Reliability Methods* (1996), p.31)



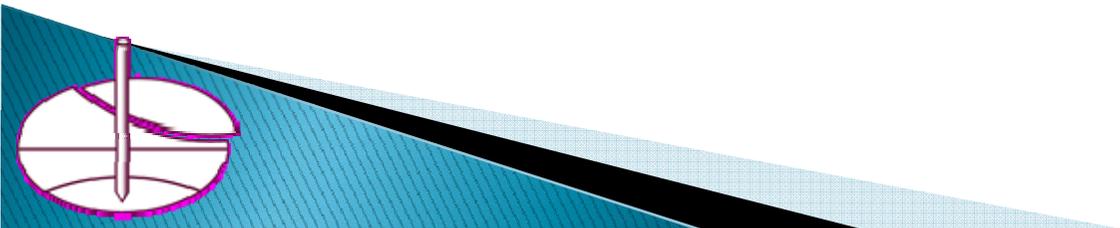
# Purposes of this presentation

- Try to fill the gap between the two approaches, i.e. geotechnical and structural, or EC7 and other ECs.
- Estimate degree of reliability embedded in various design so as to make comparison of reliability possible among various design results.

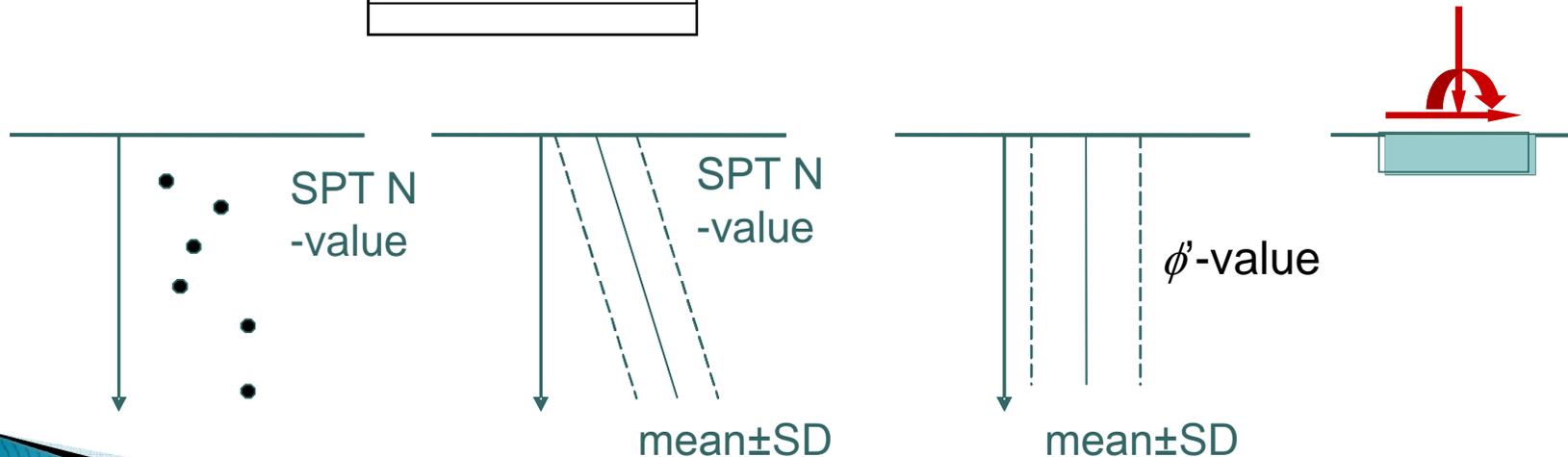
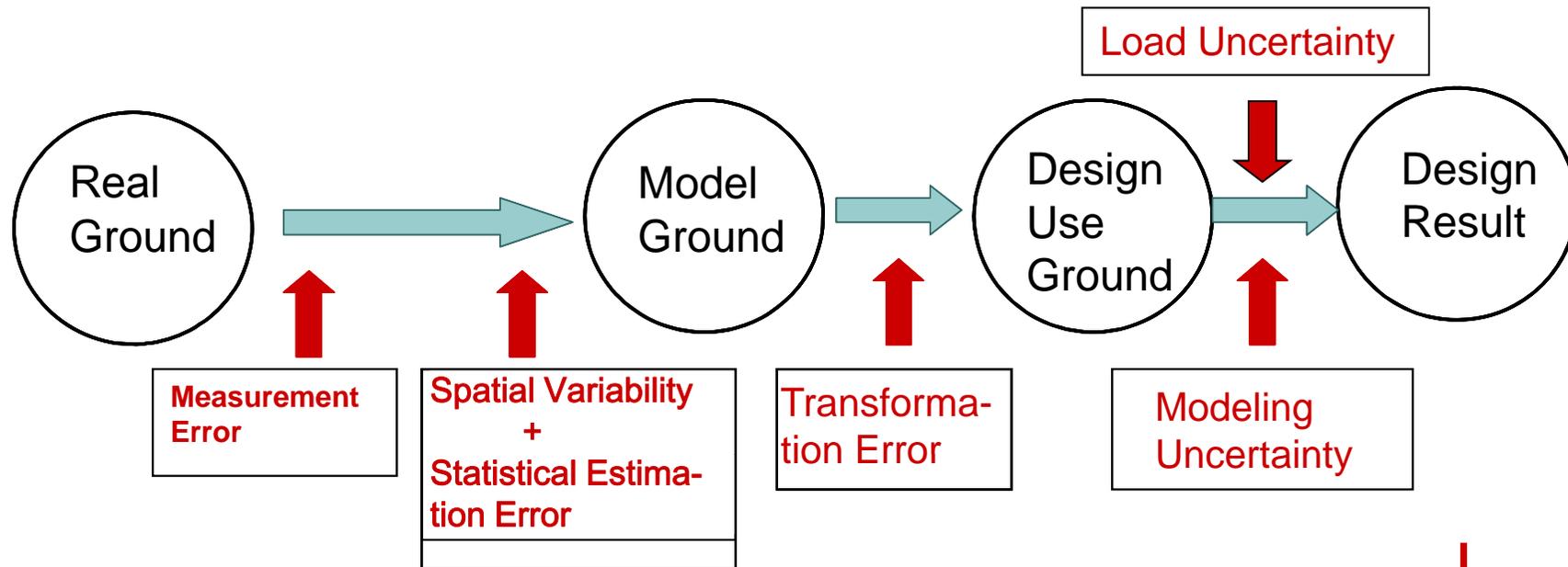


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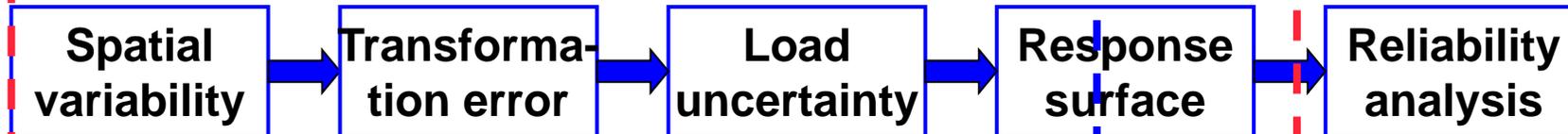


# Uncertainties in Geotechnical Design



# Procedures for different examples

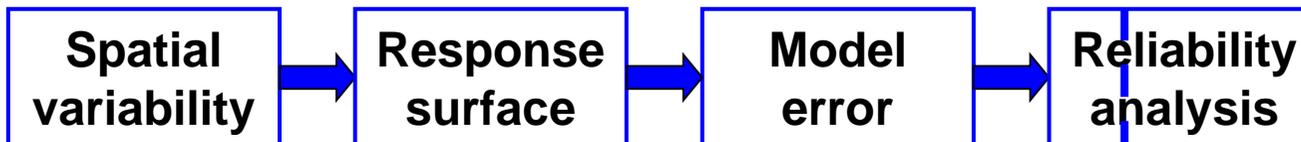
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EX2-1 ULS

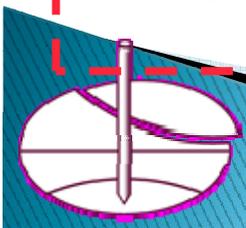


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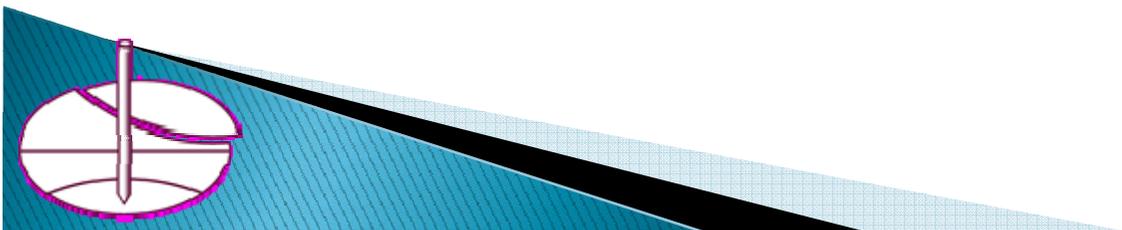
**Geotechnical Design**

**RBD**

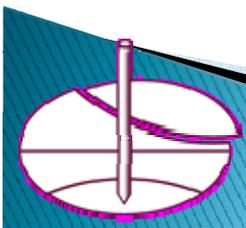
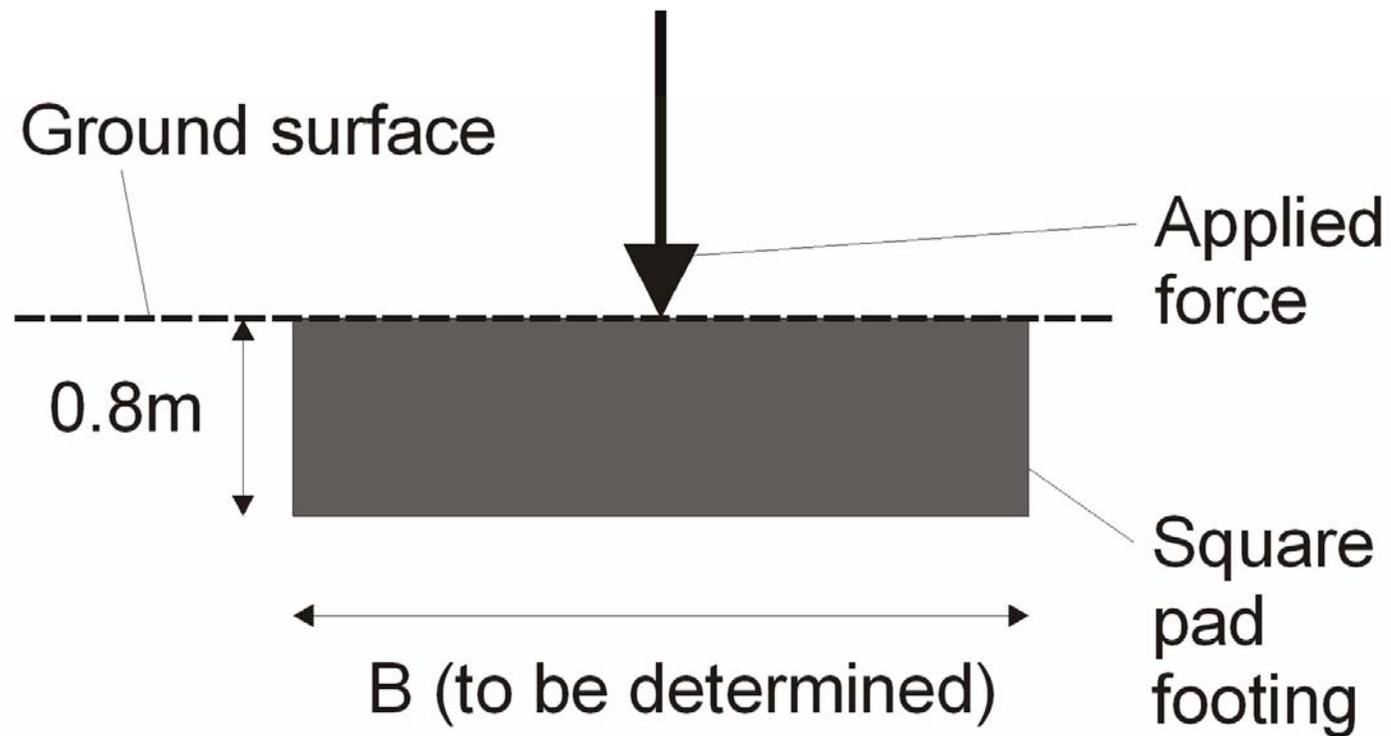


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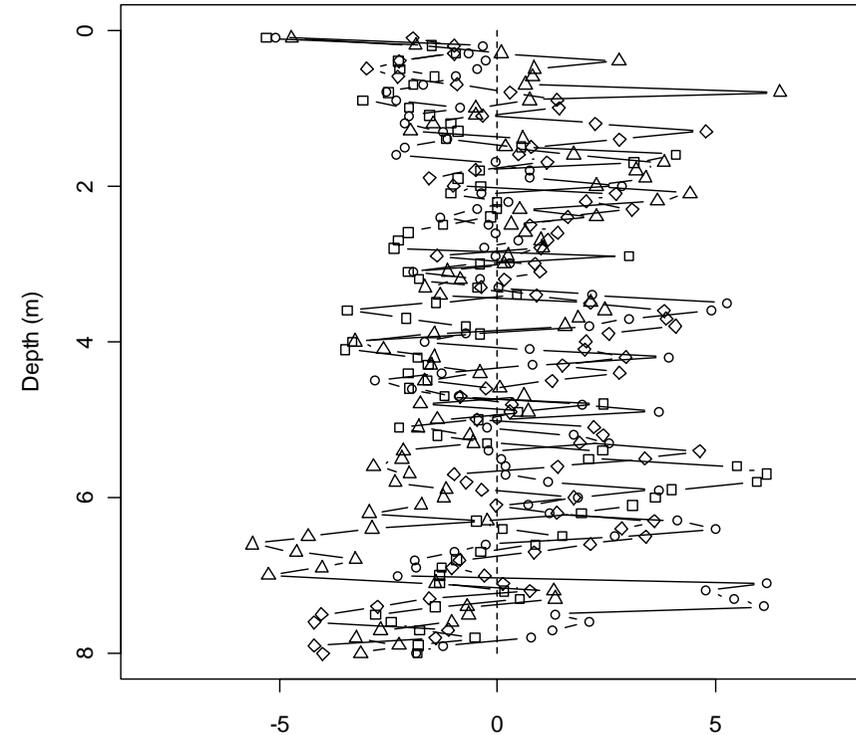
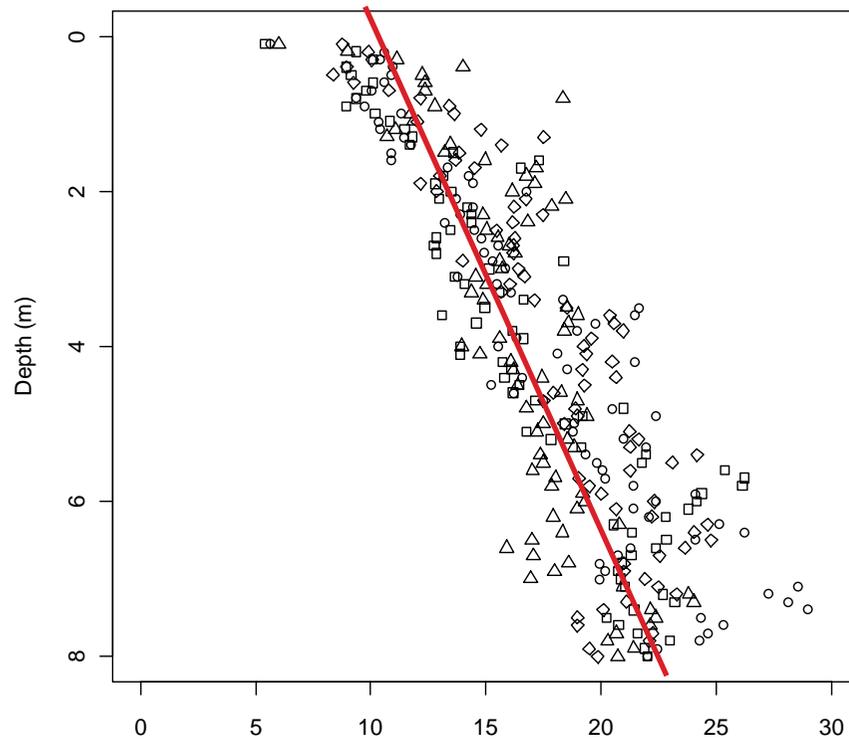


## EX2-1: Pad foundation on sand





## EX2-1(SLS): Trend and Random Components of CRT $q_c$

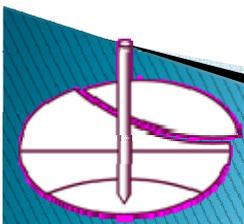


CPT1  $q_c$  (MPa)

$$\text{Mean value: } q_c = 10.54 + 1.66z \text{ (MPa)}$$

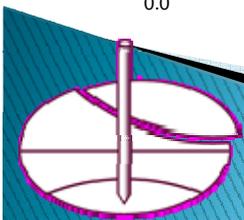
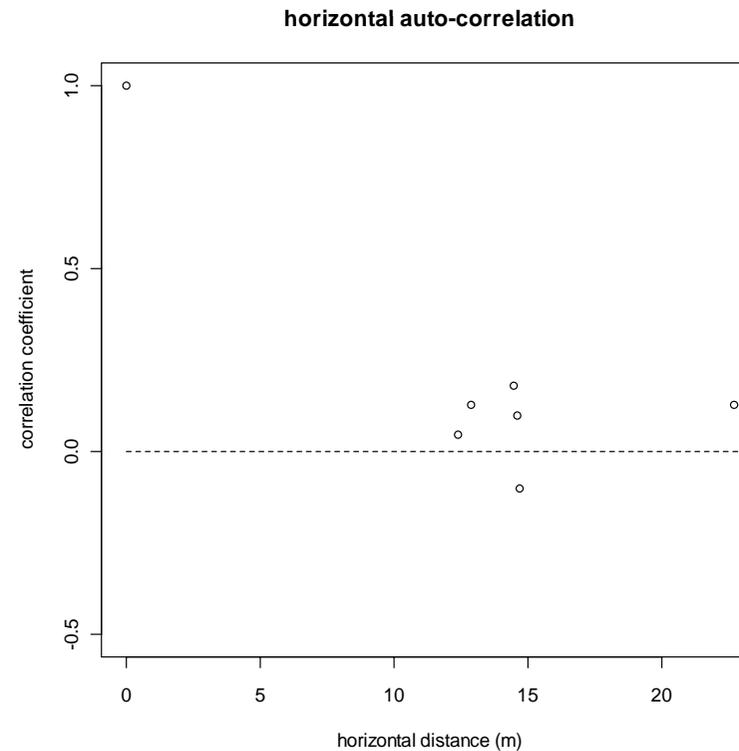
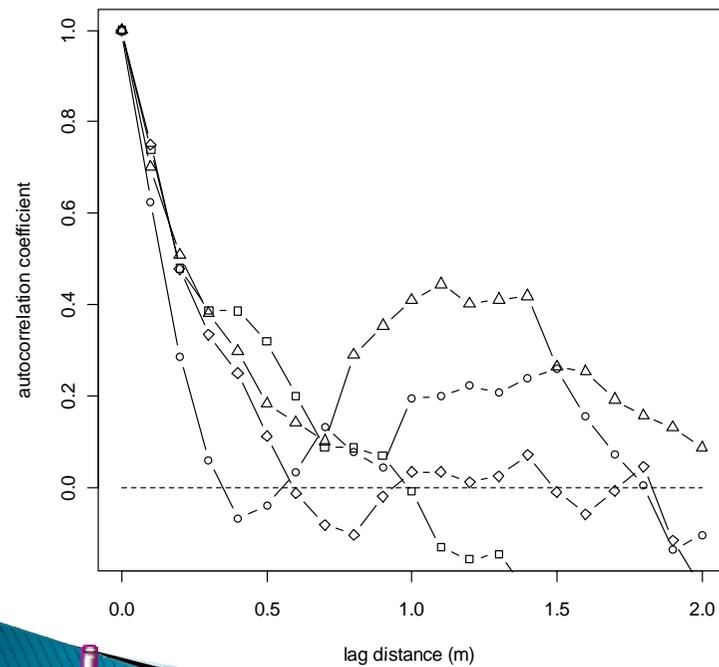
CPT  $q_c$  residuals (MPa)

$$\text{Standard deviation: } 2.28 \times 0.7 = 1.60 \text{ (MPa)}$$



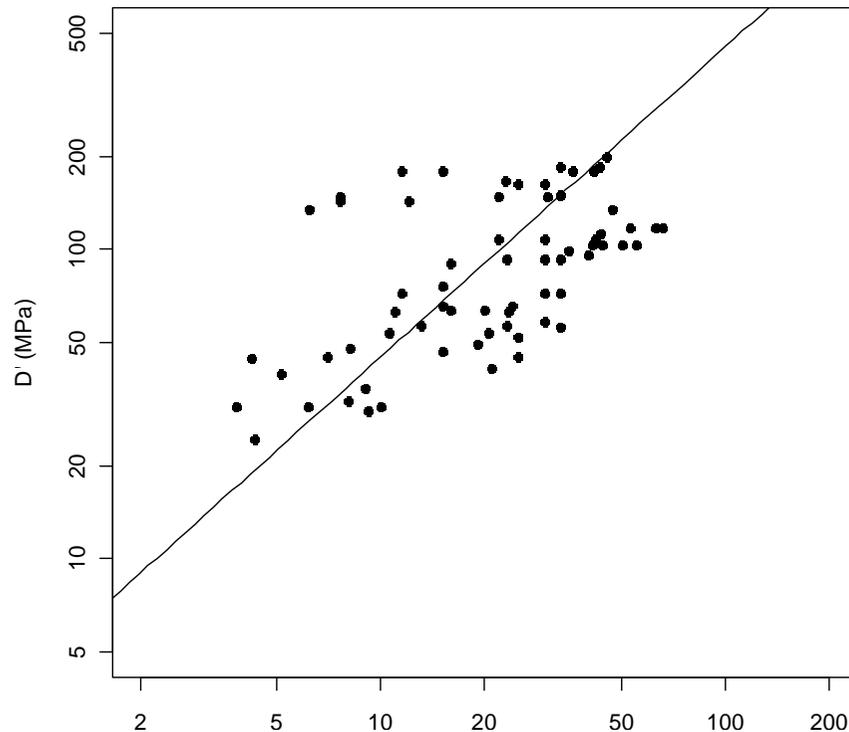


## EX2-1 (SLS): estimation error – auto correlation of CPT qc





## EX2-1 (SLS): from $q_c$ to Young modulus $E'$



Mean value:  $q_c = 10.54 + 1.66z$  (MPa)

Standard deviation:  $2.28 \times 0.7 = 1.60$  (MPa)

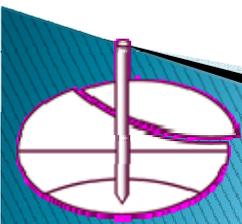
$$D' = 5(q_c - \sigma'_{v0})$$

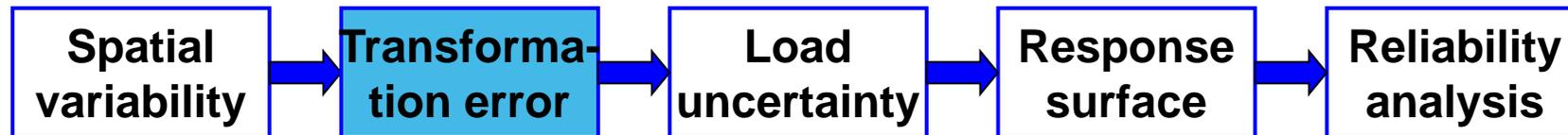
$$E' = D' \frac{(1 + \nu')(1 - 2\nu')}{(1 - \nu')}$$

NCHRP (2007)

$$E' = 5 \times \{ (10.54 + 1.66z) - 0.02z \} \times \frac{(1 + 0.2)(1 - 2 \times 0.2)}{(1 - 0.2)}$$

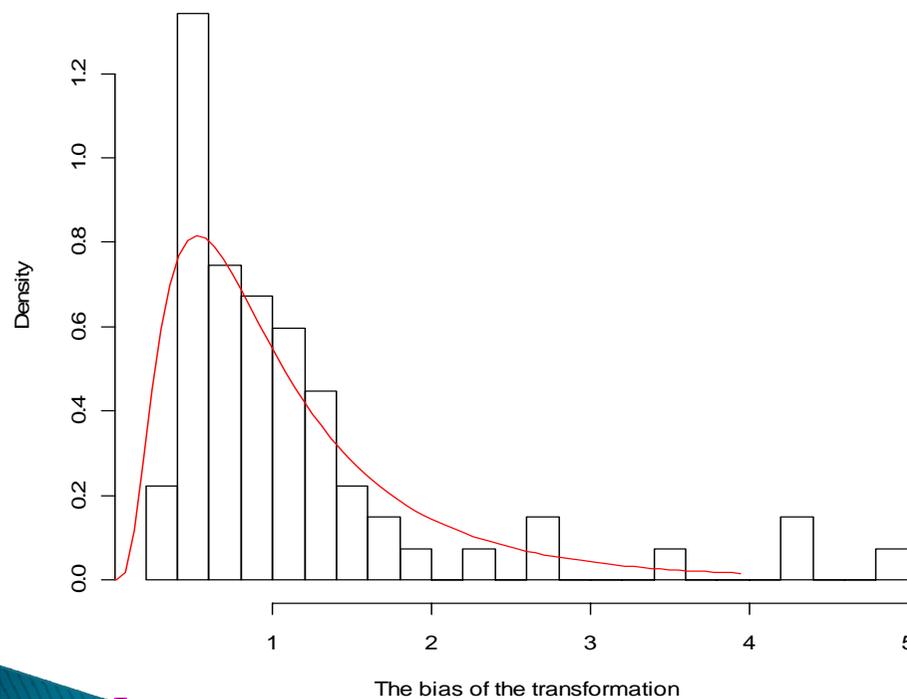
$$= 47.43 + 7.38z \quad (MPa)$$





## EX2-1 (SLS): from $q_c$ to $E'$

PDF of the bias

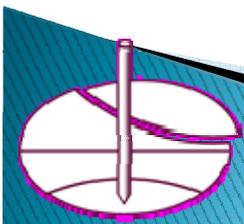


$$\delta_E = \frac{5(q_c - \sigma'_{v0})}{D'}$$

Mean of  $\delta_E = 1.14$

SD of  $\delta_E = 0.94$

Following Lognormal distribution

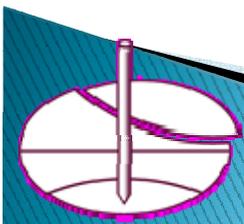


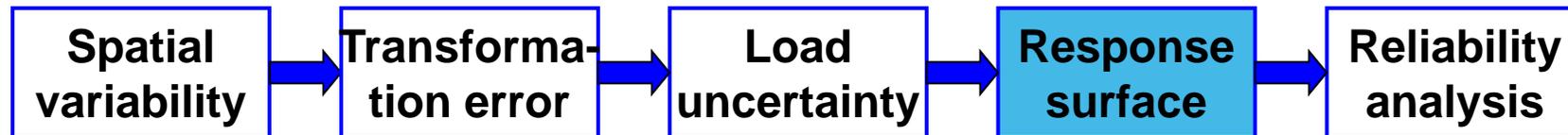


## EX2-1 (SLS): Load Uncertainties

Permanent load (Gk)	$\delta_{Gk}$	1.0	0.1	Normal <sup>(2)</sup>
Variable load (Qk)	$\delta_{Qk}$	0.6	$0.35 \times 0.6 = 0.21$	Gumbel distribution

Based on JCSS(2001) and Holicky, M, J. Markova and H. Gulvanessian (2007).





## EX2-1 (SLS): Geotechnical design tools -> 3D PLAXIS Elastic analysis (5 cases)

Table 2.2 The settlement of the pad foundation by 3D PLAXIS

Width	B (m)	4	3	2	1	0.5
Settlement	s (mm)	4.24	6.51	9.32	16.13	24.59

the relationship between B and s:

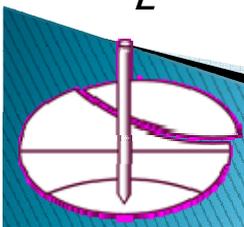
$$s = 17.0 - 9.73 \log B \quad (7)$$

( $R^2 = 0.989$ ), the perfect fit

it is expected that the settlement would be double if Young's modulus is half:

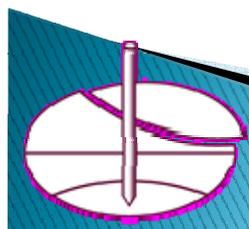
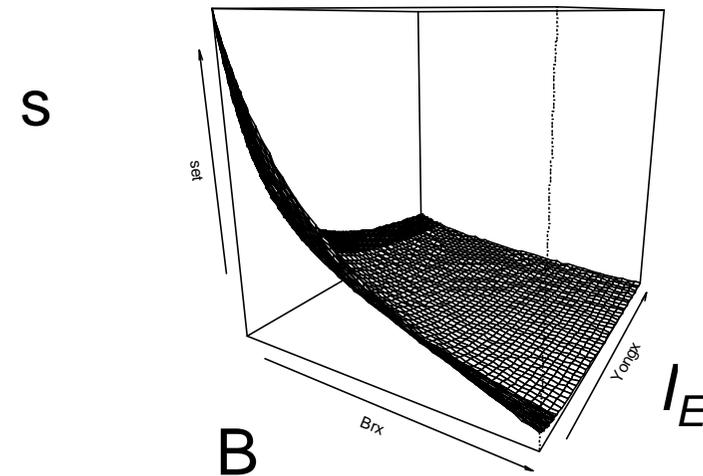
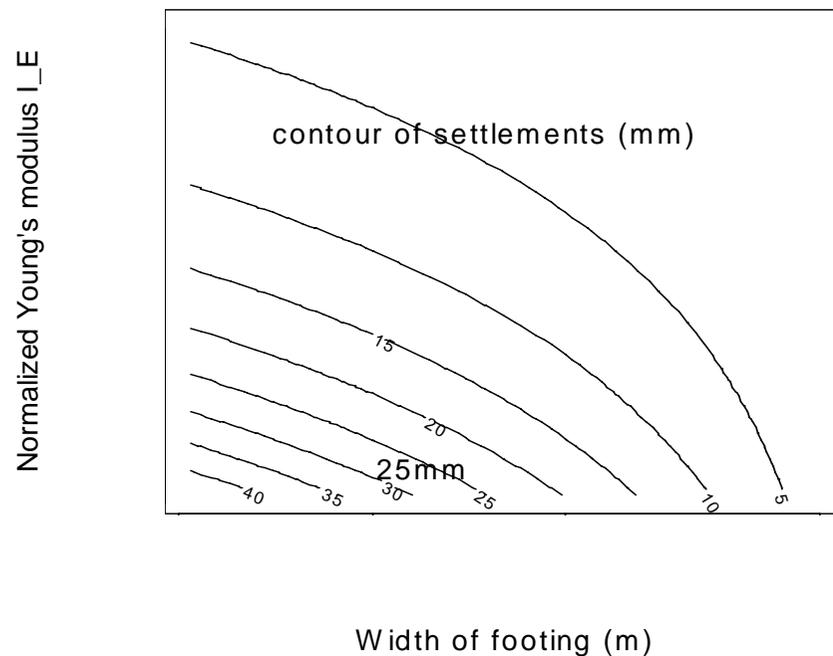
$$s = (17.0 - 9.73 \log B) / I_E \quad (8)$$

$I_E$ : a normalized Young's modulus.

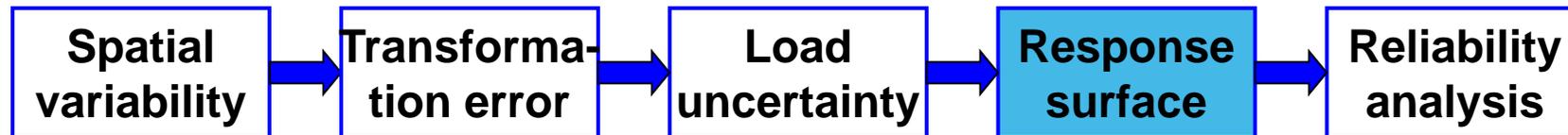




## EX2-1 (SLS): The contour and a bird view of the Response surface



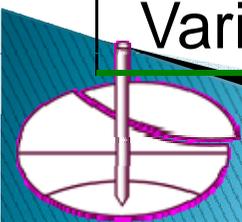
$$s = (17.0 - 9.73 \log B) / I_E$$

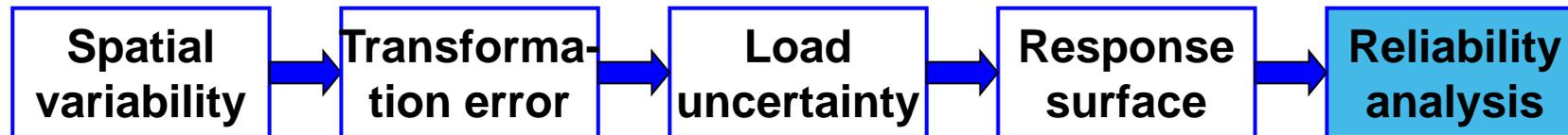


## EX2-1 (SLS): Performance Function of settlement

$$\begin{aligned}
 s &= \frac{(17.0 - 9.73 \log(B))}{I_E \cdot \delta_E} \left( \frac{\gamma \cdot D_f \cdot B^2 + G_k \delta_{Gk} + Q_k \delta_{Qk}}{\gamma \cdot D_f \cdot B^2 + G_k + Q_k} \right) \\
 &= \frac{(17.0 - 9.73 \log(B))}{I_E \cdot \delta_E} \left( \frac{20 \cdot B^2 + 1000 \delta_{Gvk} + 750 \delta_{Qvk}}{20 \cdot B^2 + 1750} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Basic variables	Notation
Estimation error of spatial average of $E'$ for 2(m) depth.	$I_E$
Transformation error on $E'$	$\delta_E$
Permanent load	$\delta_{Gk}$
Variable load	$\delta_{Qk}$



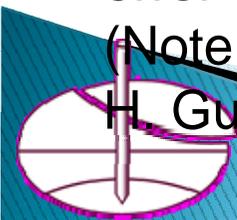


## EX2-1 (SLS): List of basic variables

Basic variables	Notation	mean	SD	Distribution type
Estimation error of spatial average of $E'$ for 2(m) depth.	$E$	$E'=47.43 + 7.38 z$ (MPa)	7.2(MPa) COV=0.12 <sup>(1)</sup> at $z=1.5$ (m)	Normal
Transformation error on $E'$	$\delta_E$	1.14	0.94	Lognormal
Permanent load	$\delta_{Gk}$	1.0	0.1	Normal <sup>(2)</sup>
Variable load	$\delta_{Qk}$	0.6	$0.35 \times 0.6 = 0.21$	Gumbel distribution <sup>(2)</sup>

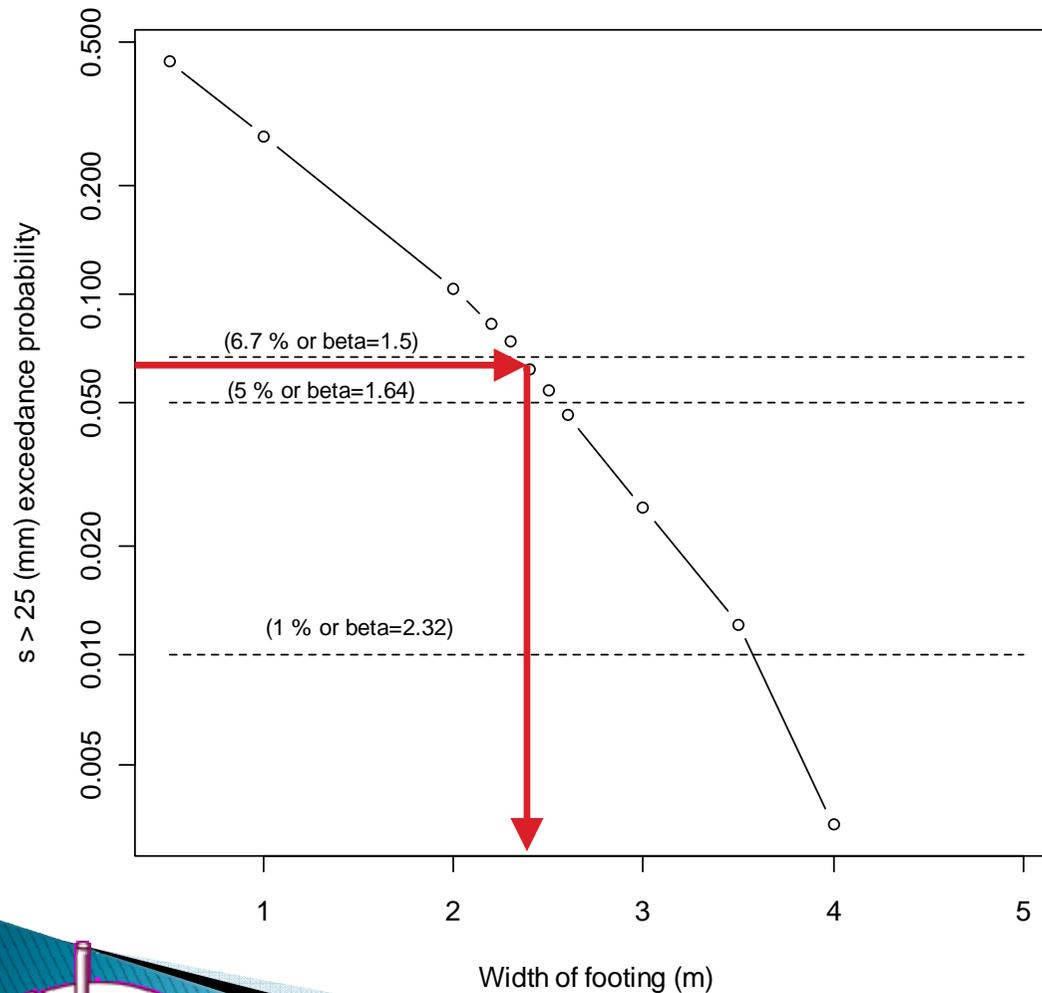
(Note 1) COV at about  $z=1.5$  (m) is calculated to represent estimation error of  $E'$  based on limited number of samples.

(Note 2) Based on JCSS(2001) and Holicky, M, J. Markova and H. Gulvanessian (2007).

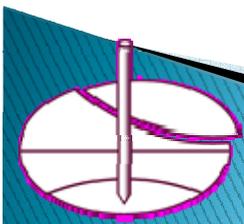




## EX2-1 (SLS) settlement: results

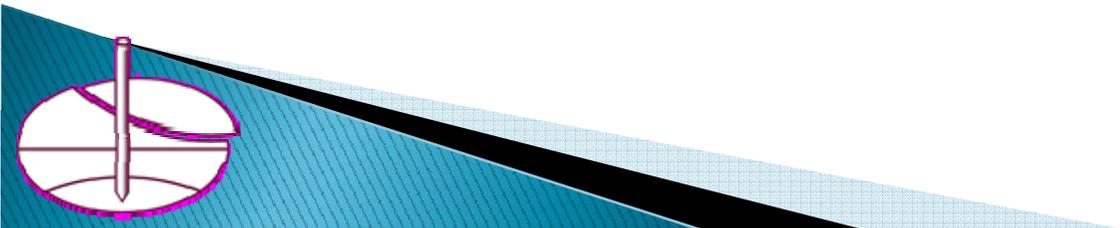


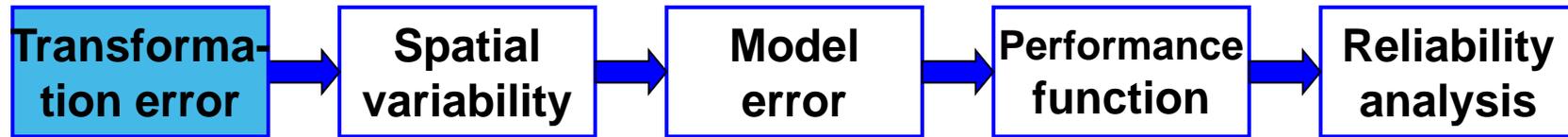
SLS:  
 the settlement  
 < 25 (mm)  
 After 100,0000  
 MCS runs.  
 (R language)  
 if  $\beta \geq 1.5$   
 (i.e. 6.7%  
 exceedance in  
 50 years)  
 $B > 2.4$  (m)



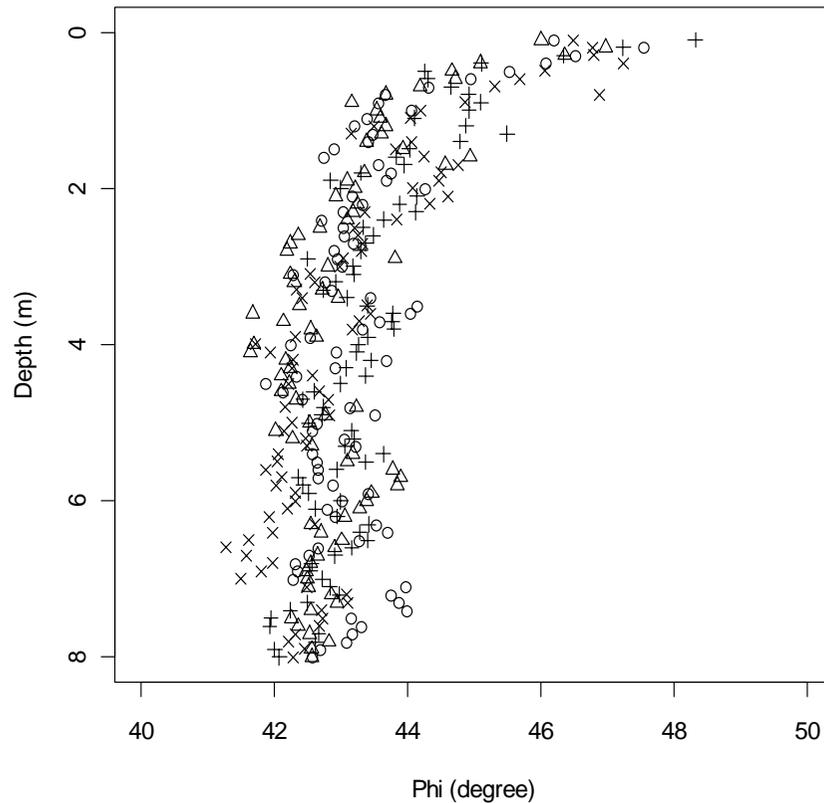
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## EX2-1(ULS): CPT $q_c$ to $\phi'$



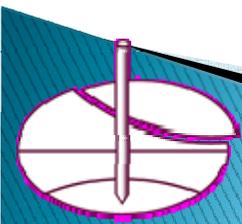
$$\phi'_{tc} = 17.6 + 11.0 \log \left( \frac{\left( \frac{q_c}{p_a} \right)}{\left( \frac{\sigma'_{v0}}{p_a} \right)^{0.5}} \right)$$

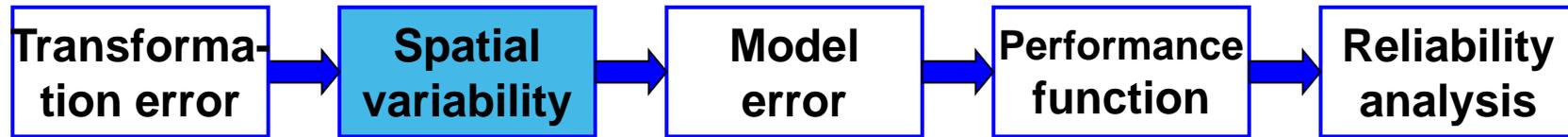
where  $p_a$  = atmospheric pressure (0.1 MPa)

$\sigma'_{v0}$  = effective overburden stress.

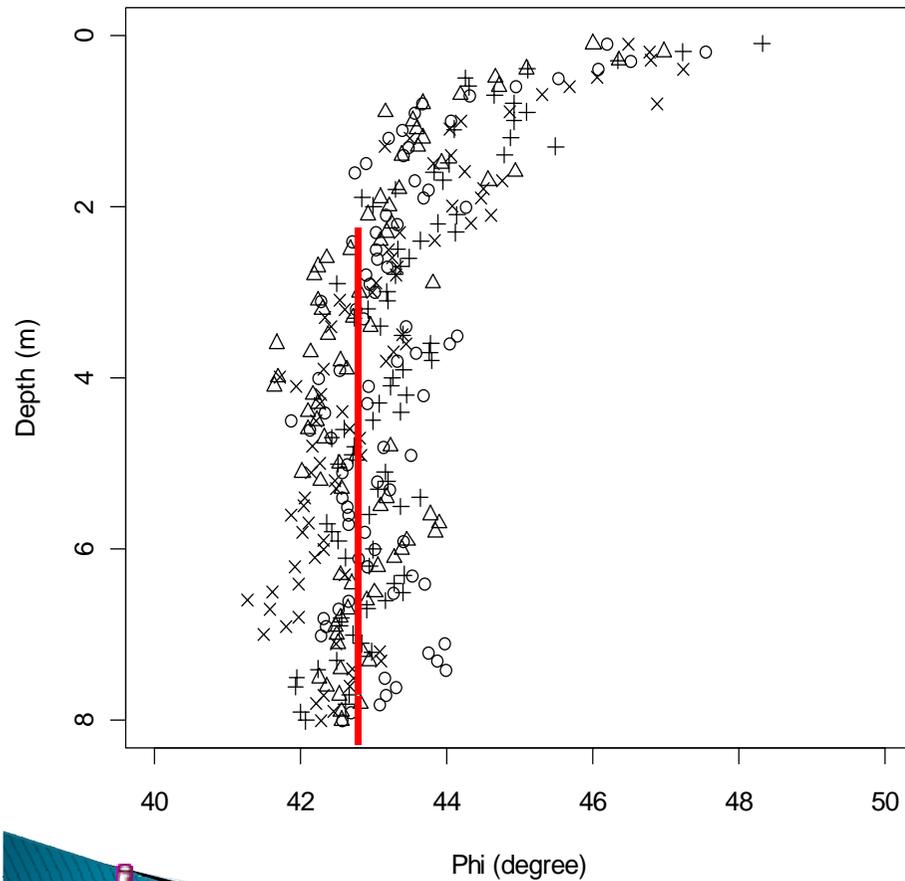
**SD for transformation = 2.8 (degree).**

(Kulhawy et al. 1990)

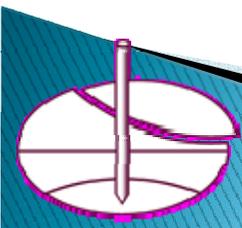


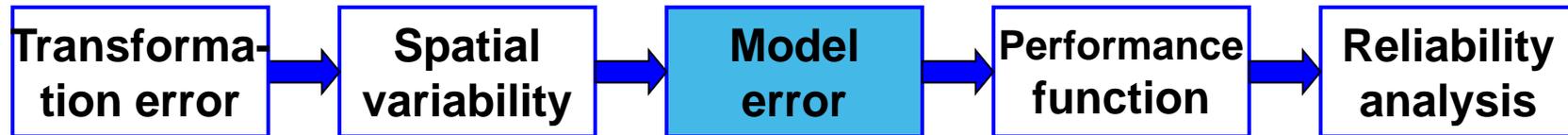


## EX2-1(ULS): spatial variability of $\phi'$



spatial average  
of  $\phi'_{tc} = 42.8$   
(degree) and  
SD=0.60 (degree).





## EX2-1(ULS): Model error in bearing capacity estimation

$$R_u = A_e \left\{ \kappa \cdot q \cdot N_q \cdot S_q + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \gamma_1 \cdot \beta \cdot B_e \cdot N_\gamma \cdot S_\gamma \right\}$$

$$\kappa = 1 + 0.3 \frac{D_f'}{B_e} = 1 + 0.3 \frac{0.8}{B_e} = 1 + \frac{0.24}{B_e}$$

$$q = \gamma_2 \cdot D_f = 20 \times 0.8 = 16 \text{ (kN/m}^2\text{)}$$

$$N_q = \frac{1 + \sin \phi}{1 - \sin \phi} \cdot \exp(\pi \cdot \tan \phi)$$

$$S_q = \left( \frac{q}{q_0} \right)^{-1/3} = \left( \frac{16}{10} \right)^{-1/3} = 0.86$$

$$\gamma_1 = 20 \text{ (kN/m}^3\text{)}$$

$$\beta = 0.6$$

$$N_\gamma = (N_q - 1) \times \tan(1.4\phi)$$

$$S_\gamma = \left( \frac{B_e}{B_0} \right)^{-1/3} = \left( \frac{B_e}{1.0} \right)^{-1/3} = B_e^{-1/3}$$

where  $A_e$  = the effective area of the foundation (=  $B_2$ ),

$B_e$  = effective width (in this case  $B_e = B$ ),

$\kappa$  and  $\beta$  = shape factors for  $N_q$

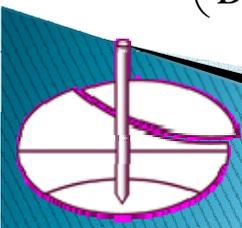
$N_q$ ,  $q$  = overburden pressure at the foundation bottom,

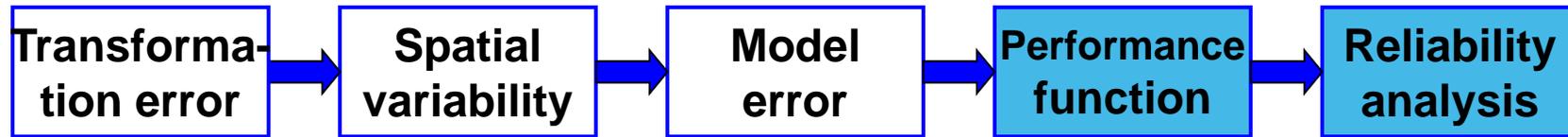
$D_f'$  = embedded depth (m),

$S_q$  and  $S_\gamma$  = scale factor for  $N_q$  and  $N_\gamma$

$B_0$  and  $q_0$  = reference width and load respectively.

Kohno et.al (2009) **Model error:**  
**the bias = 0.894 with SD = 0.257.**



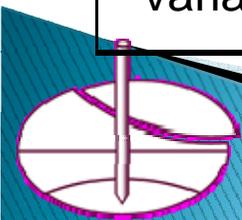


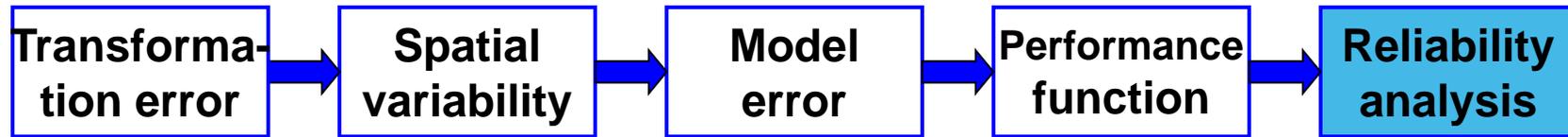
## EX2-1 (ULS): Reliability analysis by MCS

$$M = Ru(B, \phi'_{tc}) \cdot \delta_{Ru} - G_k \cdot \delta_{Gk} - Q_k \cdot \delta_{Qk}$$

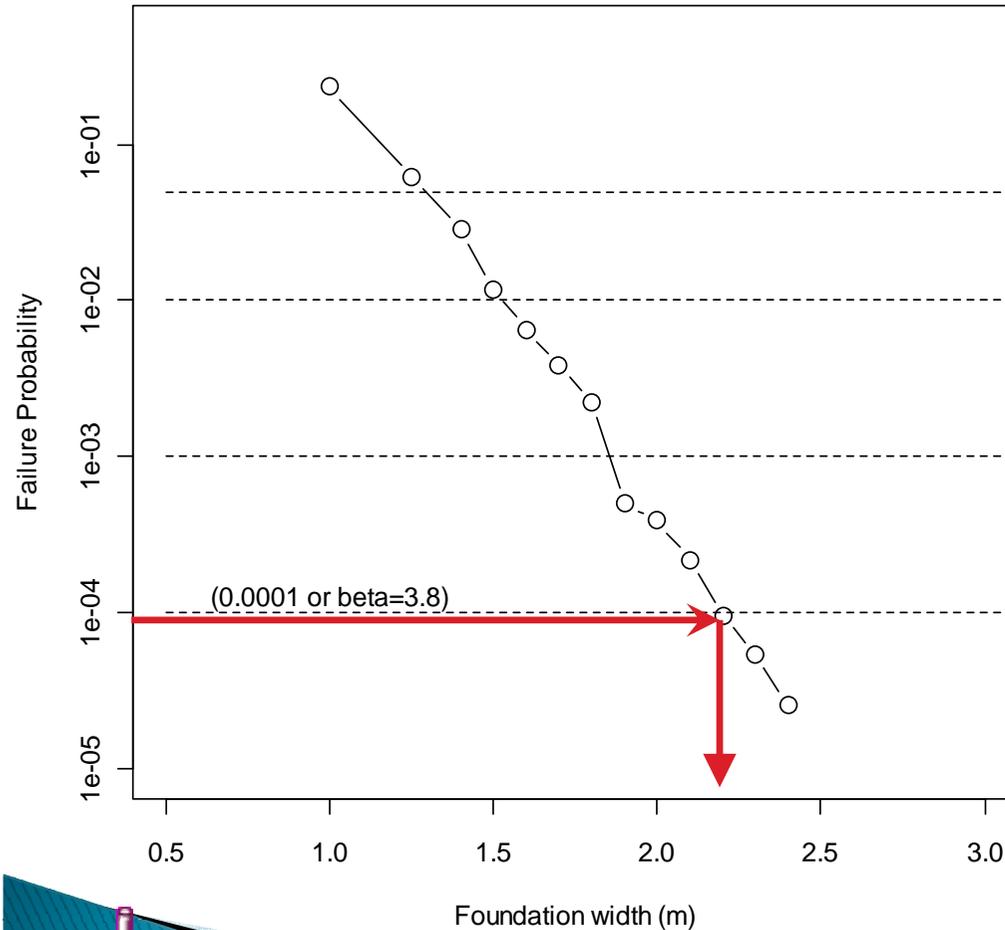
where  $M$  = safety margin,  $Ru$  = bearing capacity of the foundation,  
 $G_k = 1000(\text{kN})$ ,  $Q_k = 750(\text{kN})$ ,  $B$  = width of footing

Basic variables	Notation	Mean	SD	Distribution type
Spatial variability	$\phi'_{tc}$	42.8	0	Deterministic variable
Transformation error from $q_c$ to $\phi'_{tc}$	$\phi'_{tc}$	42.8	2.8	Normal
$R_u$ estimation error	$\delta_{Ru}$	0.894	0.257	Lognormal
Permanent action	$\delta_{Gk}$	1.0	0.1	Normal
Variable action	$\delta_{Qk}$	0.6	$0.35 \times 0.6 = 0.21$	Gumbel distribution





## EX2-1 (ULS): results of the reliability analysis

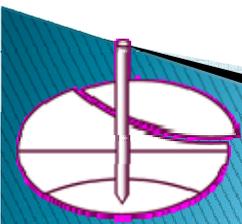


After 100,000 MCS runs

$$\beta = 3.8$$

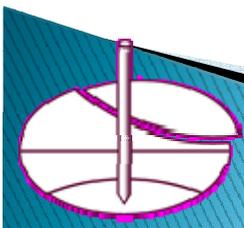
(i.e.  $10^{-4}$  failure probability for 50 years design working life.)

$$B = 2.2 \text{ (m)}$$



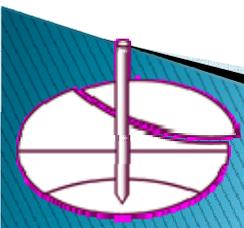
## Summary of EX2-1: Pad foundation

<i>Limit state</i>	<i>Target <math>\beta</math> for 50 years design working life. (<math>P_f</math>)</i>	<i>Required width (m)</i>
S.L.S.(s < 25 mm)	1.5 (0.067)	B > 2.4 (m)
U.L.S.(stability)	3.8 ( $10^{-4}$ )	B > 2.2 (m)



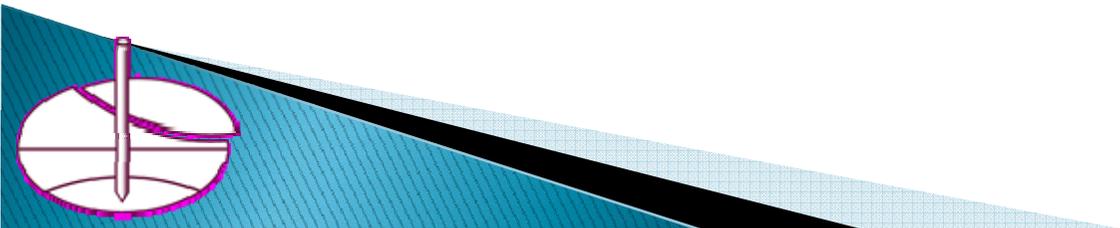
## Summary of EX2-1: Pad foundation

1. If all average values obtained for basic variables
  - SLS: only 0.5 (m)  $\rightarrow$  2.4 (m) (4.8 times)
  - ULS: 0.85 (m) for  $\rightarrow$  2.2 (m) (2.6 times)
2. The uncertainty components contributing the design
  - the conversion of  $q_c$  to Young's modulus for settlement (SLS).
  - the model error in the bearing capacity equation for bearing capacity (ULS).
  - The contribution of spatial variability of soil properties on total uncertainty is not as large.

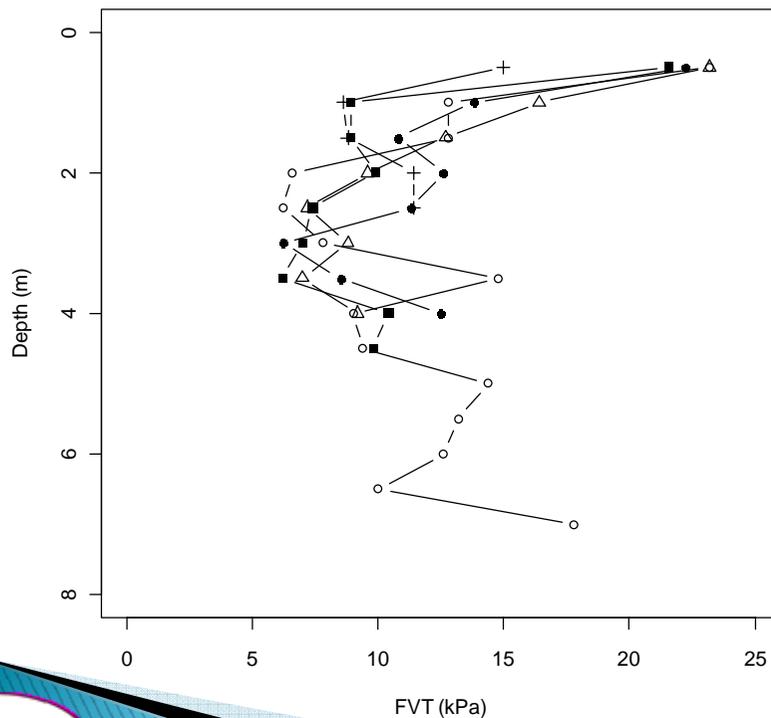
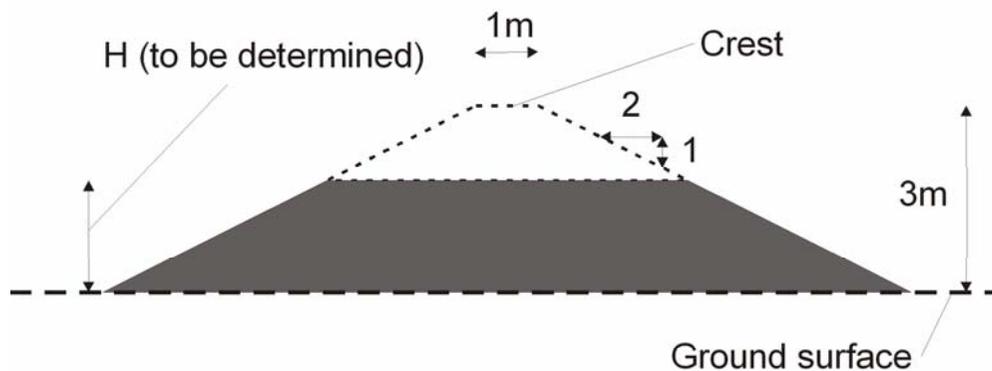


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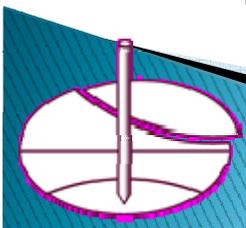
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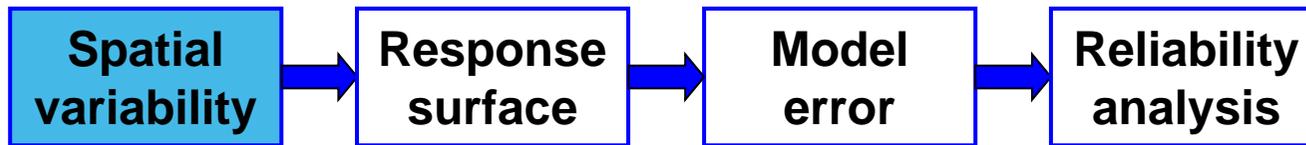


# EX 2-5 : EMBANKMENT OF SOFT PEAT



- An embankment on a soft peat with final height 3 (m)
- determine the first stage embankment height.
- The Embankment material
  - $\gamma = 19$  (kN/m<sup>3</sup>),
  - $\phi'_k = 32.5$  (degree).
- Top soil : normally consolidated clay ( $\gamma = 18$  (kN/m<sup>3</sup>) and  $\gamma' = 9$  (kN/m<sup>3</sup>)
- 3 to 7 (m) thick peat layer with  $\gamma' = 2$  (kN/m<sup>3</sup>) overlaying
- Pleistocene sand of  $\gamma' = 11$  (kN/m<sup>3</sup>) and  $\phi'_k = 35$  (degree).
- 5 filed vane test (FVT) results are given whose testing interval is 0.5 (m)





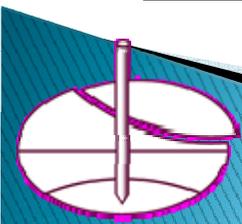
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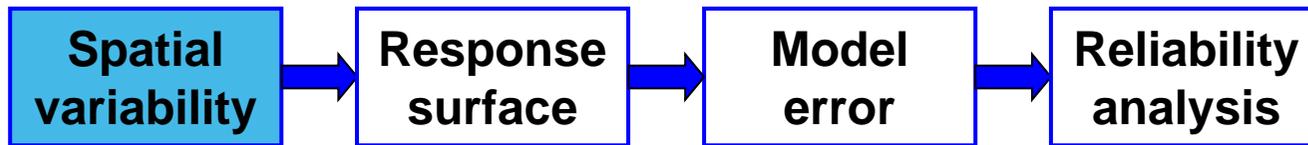
Undrained shear strength of the topsoil

<i>Mean (kPa)</i>	<i>SD (kPa)</i>	<i>COV</i>
21.04	3.44	0.163

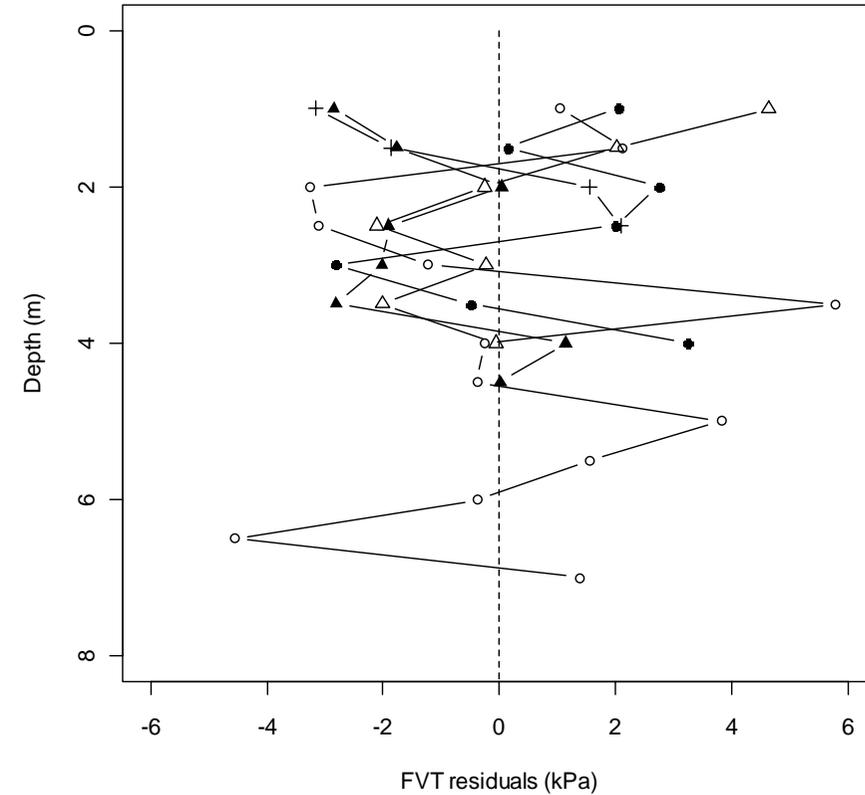
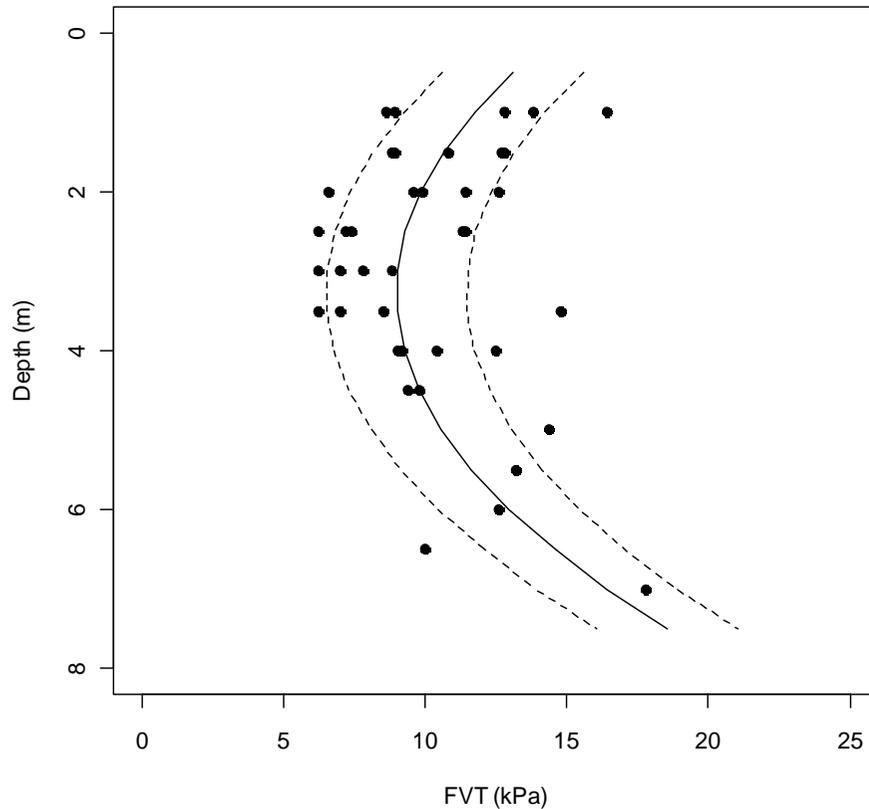
Alternative models fitted to *su* of the peat layer

<i>Models</i>	<i>Trend (kPa)</i>	<i>SD</i>	<i>AIC</i>	<i>Note</i>
Constant	10.33	2.89	196.52	
Linear	9.3677 + 0.3221z (9.40) (1.085)	2.85	197.30	$R^2 = 0.031$ (t-values)
Quadratic	14.73 - 3.51z + 0.536z <sup>2</sup> (9.04) (3.42) (3.85)	2.40	185.82	$R^2 = 0.314$ (t-values)



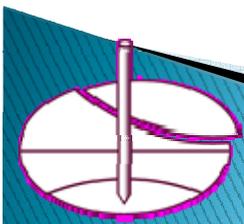


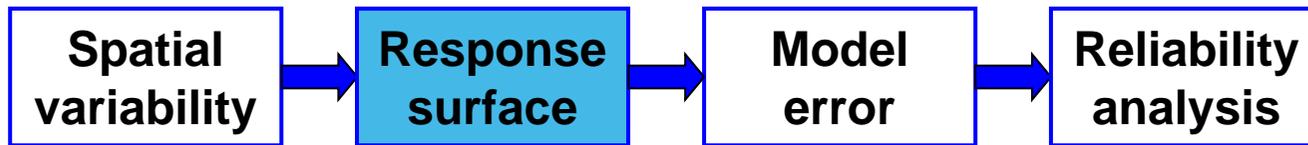
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$$su = 14.73 - 3.51z + 0.536z^2 \text{ (kPa)}$$

the SD of the  $su \rightarrow 2.40 \times 0.5 = 1.20 \text{ (kPa)}$ .





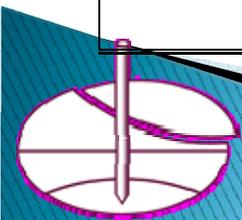
## EX2-5: Range of values used in obtaining RS (135 cases)

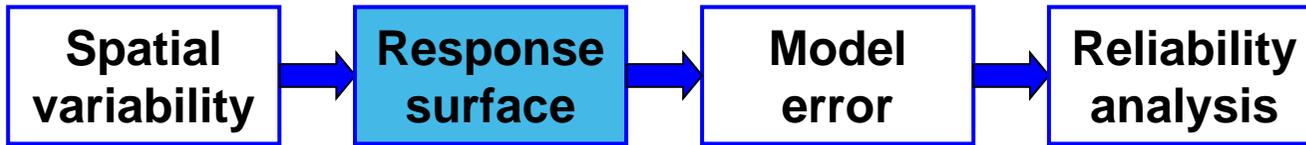
$h$ (m)	$I_{peat}$	$I_{topsoil}$	$D_t$ (m)
1, 1.5, 2, 2.5, 3	0.5, 0.75, 1.0	0.5, 0.75, 1.0	0.5, 0.75, 1.0

$$I_{peat} = s_u / (\text{mean of } s_u \text{ of the peat layer})$$

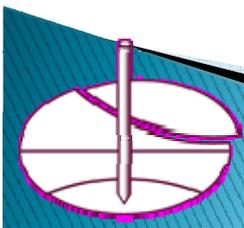
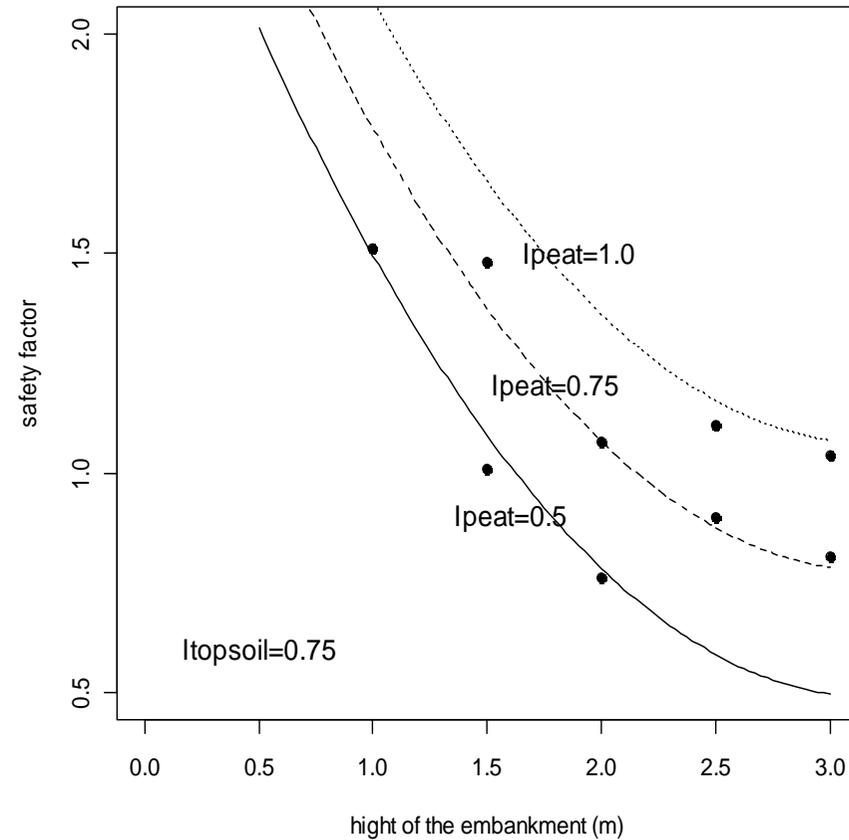
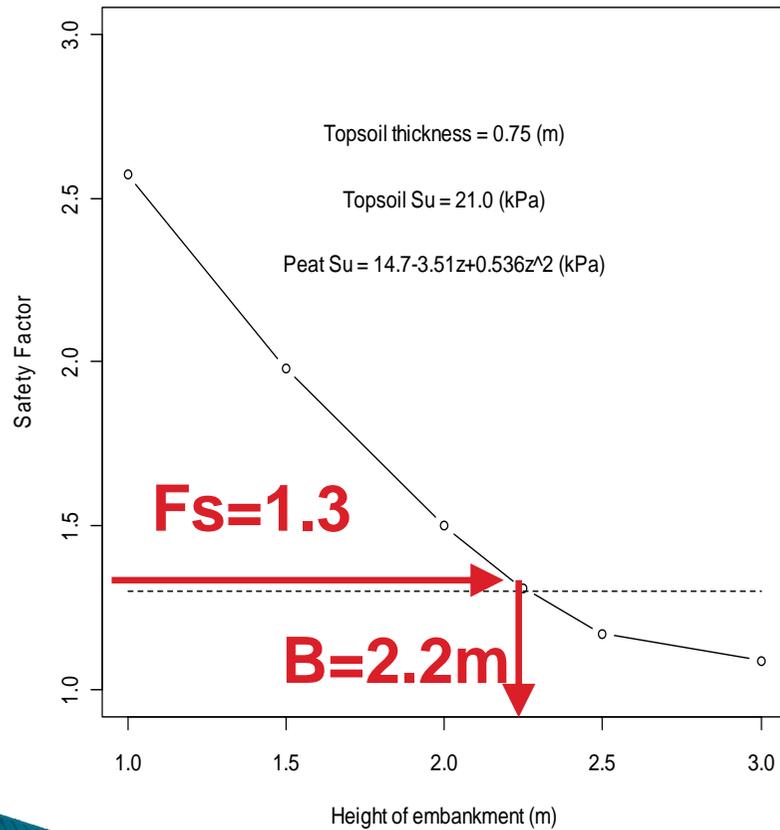
$$I_{topsoil} = s_u / (\text{mean of } s_u \text{ of the topsoil}) = s_u / 21.04$$

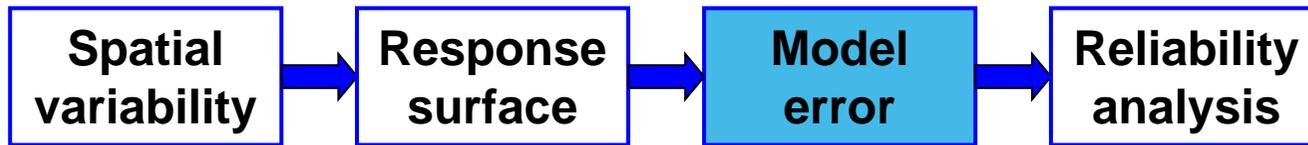
model	equation	r.s.e.	R <sup>2</sup>
Linear	$F_s = 0.948 - 0.449 h + 1.154 I_{peat} + 0.272 I_{topsoil} + 0.047 D_t$	0.0985	0.823
Quadratic	$F_s = 1.783 - 1.351 h + 0.213 h^2 + 1.156 I_{peat} + 0.272 I_{topsoil} + 0.091 D_t$	0.0533	0.949
logalismic	$F_s = 0.595 - 0.915 \log(h) + 1.181 I_{peat} + 0.272 I_{topsoil} + 0.079 D_t$	0.0645	0.924





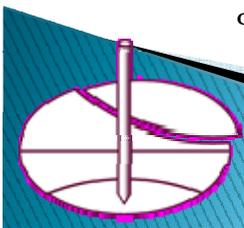
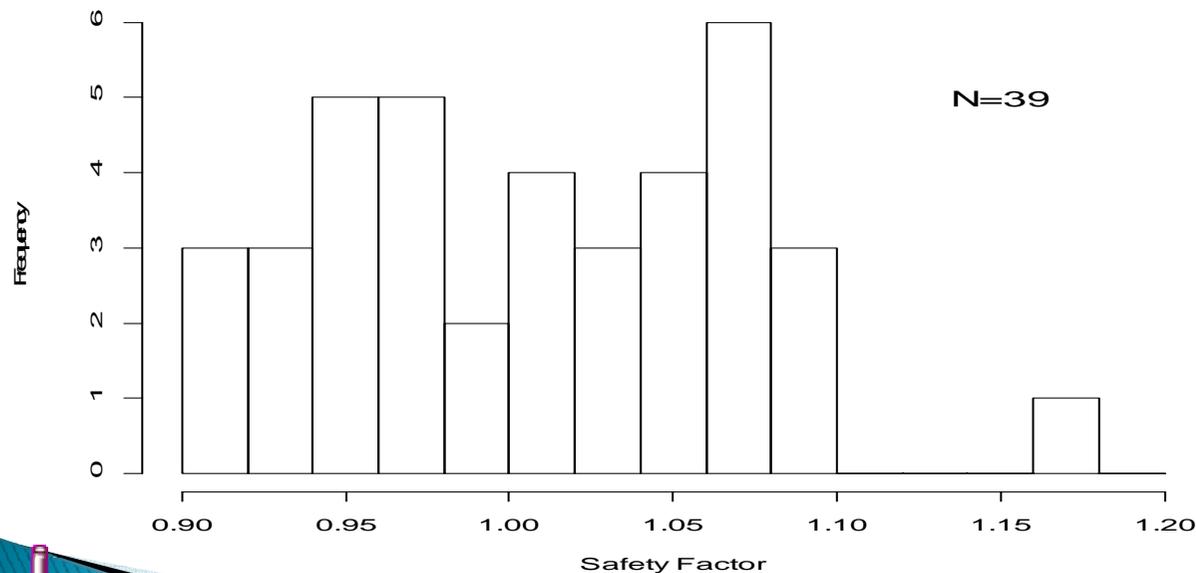
## EX2-5: Height vs. $F_s$ and Response surface



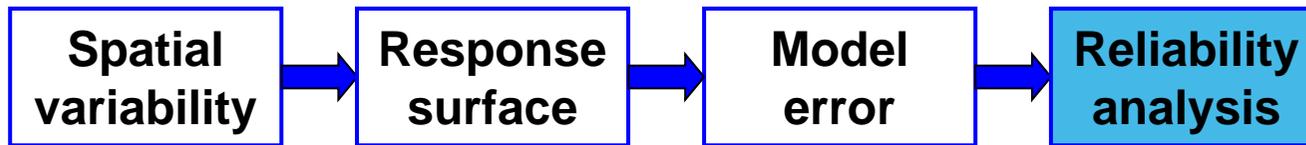


## EX2-5: Model error in stability analysis of embankment

39 failure cases of embankment on soft ground by FV/UU compression tests and  $\phi' = 0$  circular slip method, and  $F_s$  distributed between  $F_s = 0.9$  to 1.1.



Model error (Matsuo and Asaoka, 1976)

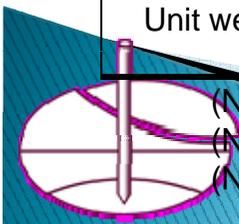


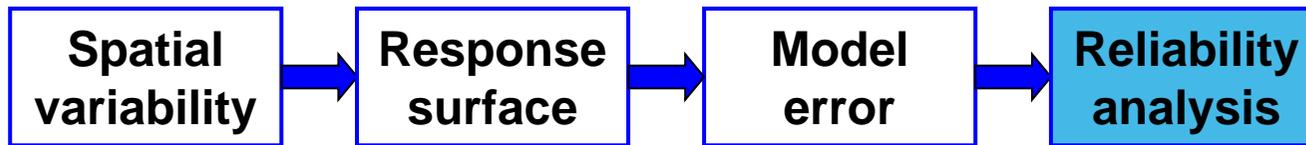
Basic variables	Notations	mean	SD	Distribution
Topsoil $s_u$ (kPa)	$s_{upeat}$ ( $I_{peat}$ )	21.04 (1.0)	3.44 (0.163)	Normal
Peat $s_u$ (kPa)	$s_{utopsoil}$ ( $I_{topsoil}$ )	$14.73-3.51z +0.536z^2$ (1.0)	1.20 (0.13) <sup>(1)</sup>	Normal
Topsoil thickness	$D_t$	[0.5, 1.0] (m)		Uniform <sup>(2)</sup>
Model error	$\delta_{Fs}$	[0.9, 1.0]		Uniform <sup>(3)</sup>
Unit weight of embankment	$\gamma_f$	19.0(kN/m <sup>3</sup> )	-	Deterministic
friction of embankment	$\phi_f$	32.5 degree	-	Deterministic
Unit weight of topsoil	$\gamma_c$	9.0(kN/m <sup>3</sup> )	-	Deterministic
Unit weight of peat	$\gamma_P'$	2.0(kN/m <sup>3</sup> )	-	Deterministic
friction of sand	$\phi_s$	35 degree	-	Deterministic
Unit weight of sand	$\gamma_s'$	11.0(kN/m <sup>3</sup> )	-	Deterministic

(Note 1)  $s_{utopsoil}$  (at  $z=4.0$ (m)) =  $14.73 - 3.5 \times 4.0 + 0.53 \times 4.0^2 = 9.27$ ,  $COV=1.20/9.27=0.13$

(Note 2) It is assumed that the boundary of the topsoil and the peat layer lies somewhere between  $z = 0.5$  to  $1.0$  (m).

(Note 3) Based on Matsuo and Asaoka (1976).



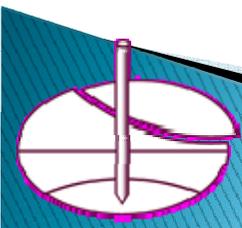


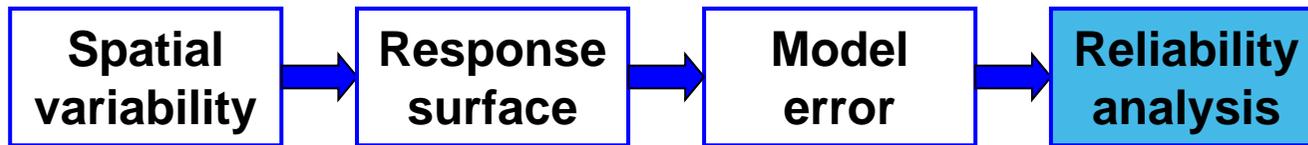
## EX2-5: reliability analysis by RS and MCS

The response surface for the safety factor

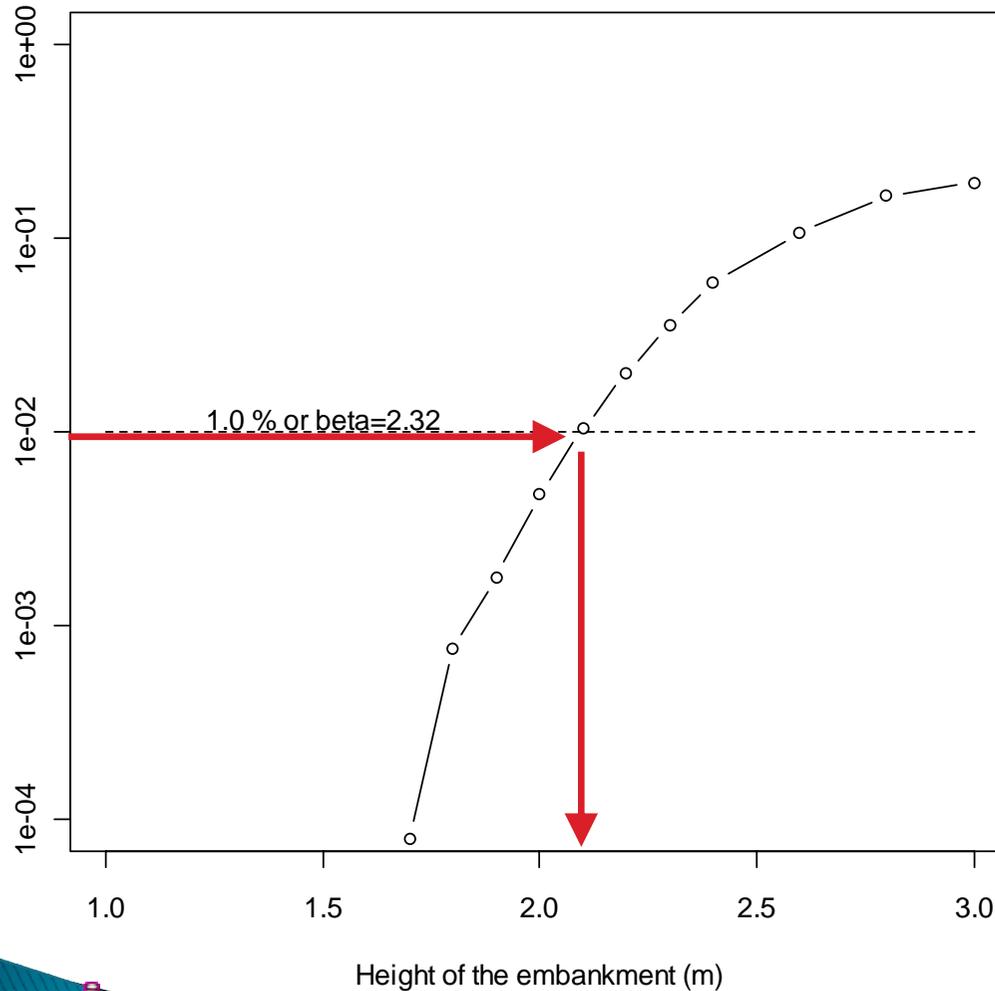
$$F_s = (1.783 - 1.351 h + 0.213 h^2 + 1.156 I_{peat} + 0.272 I_{topsoil} + 0.091 D_t) \delta_{F_s}$$

After 100,000 MCS runs, to obtain  
 $P_f = P [ F_s \leq 1.0 ]$

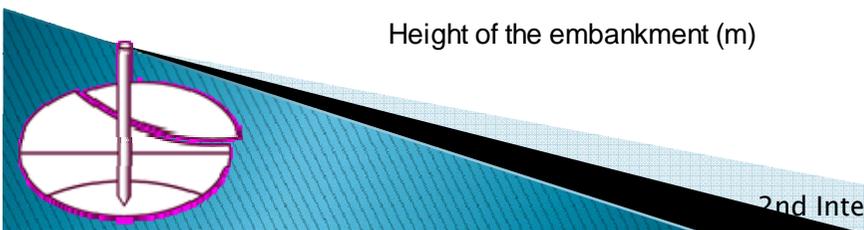




## EX2-5: Result of the reliability analysis



For  $\beta = 2.32$ ,  
the first stage  
embankment  
height should be  
less than 2.1 (m).

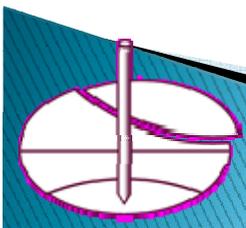


## EX2-5: Summary and discussions

Based on the RS, one can evaluate the contribution of each basic variable to the safety of the embankment. For example,

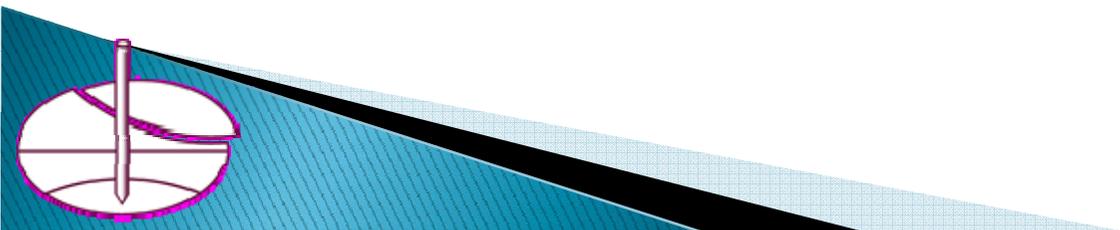
- The effect of the height of the embankment becomes less as the embankment height increase, which is indicated by the quadratic function.
- 10% reduction of peat strength reduces the safety factor by 0.12. The reduction is 0.027 in case of the topsoil strength.
- 0.1 (m) change of the topsoil layer thickness changes the safety factor by 0.01.

$$F_s = (1.783 - 1.351 h + 0.213 h^2 + 1.156 I_{peat} + 0.272 I_{topsoil} + 0.091 D_t) \delta_{F_s}$$



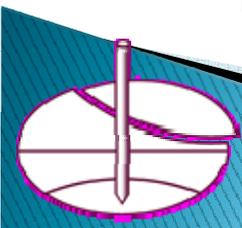
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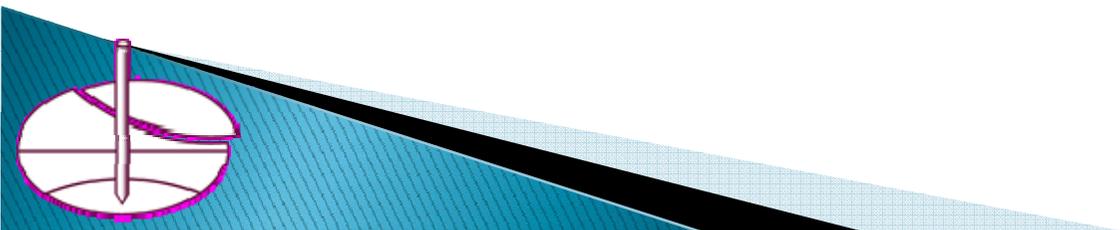
# Conclusions

1. Three out of six examples (*i.e.* EX2-1, 5 and 6) set by ETC10 – Evaluation of Eurocode 7 – has been **solved by using Level III reliability based design**.
2. it is **not soil properties spatial variability** that controls the major part of the uncertainty in many geotechnical designs.
3. The **error in design calculation equations, transformation of soil investigation results** (*e.g.* SPT N-values, FVT, CPT  $q_c$ ) to actual design parameters (*e.g.*  $s_u$ ,  $f'$ , resistance values), and **statistical estimation error** are more important factors.

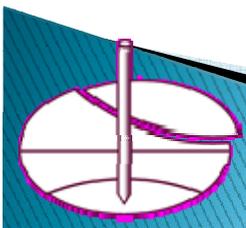
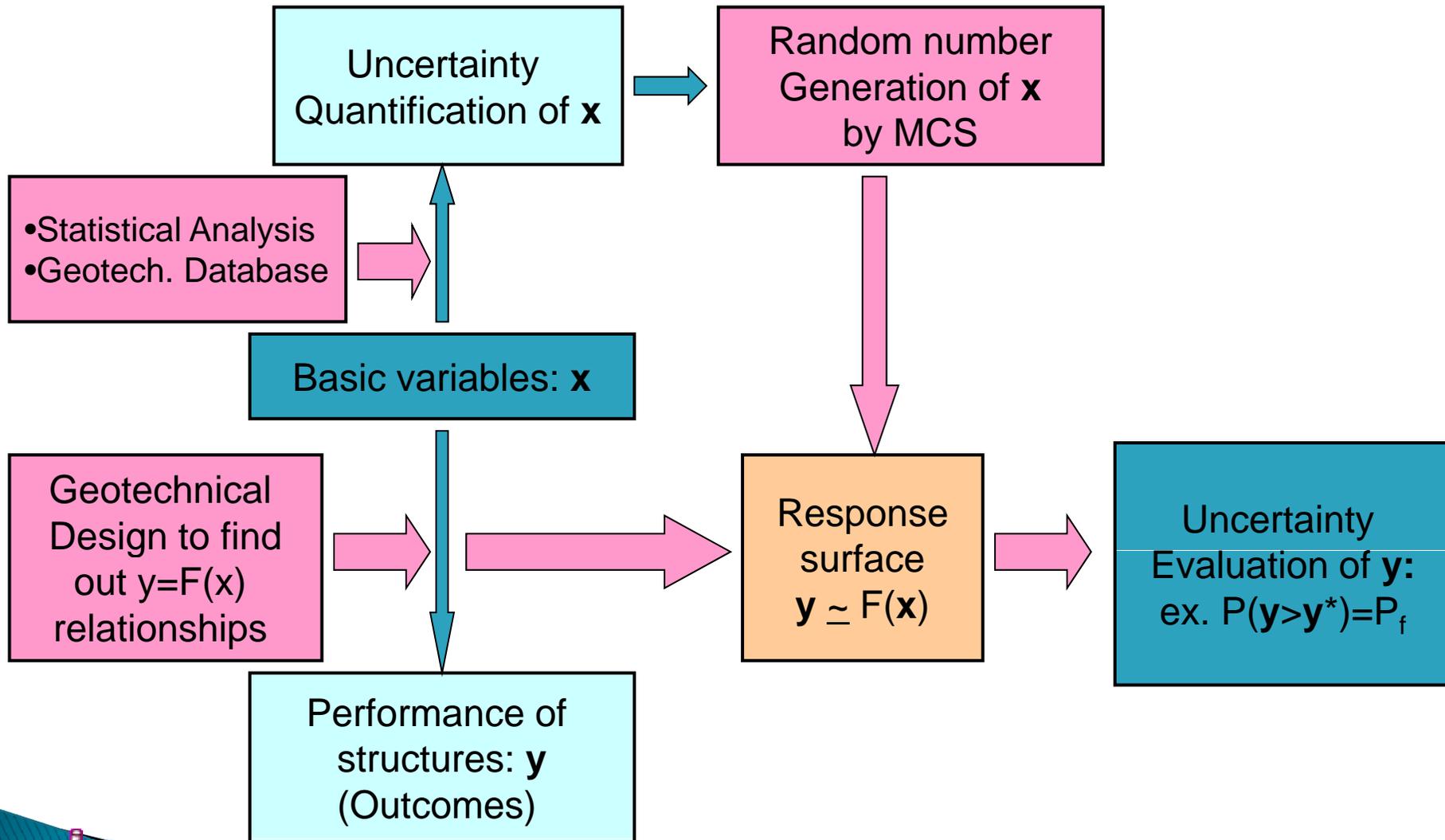


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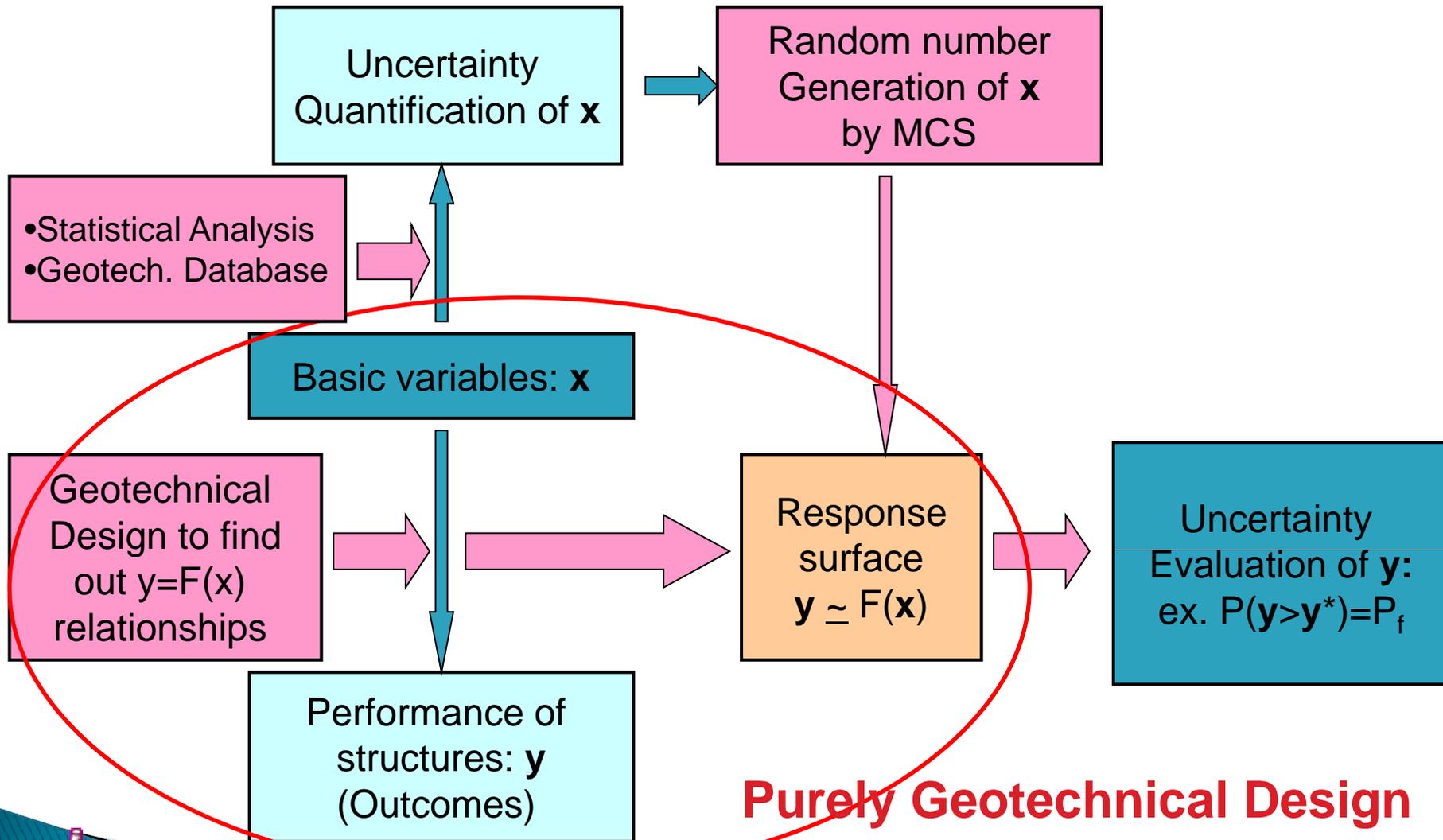
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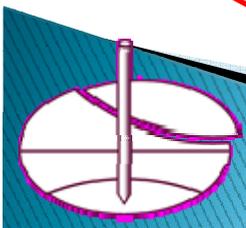
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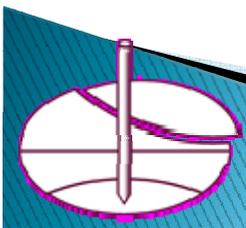
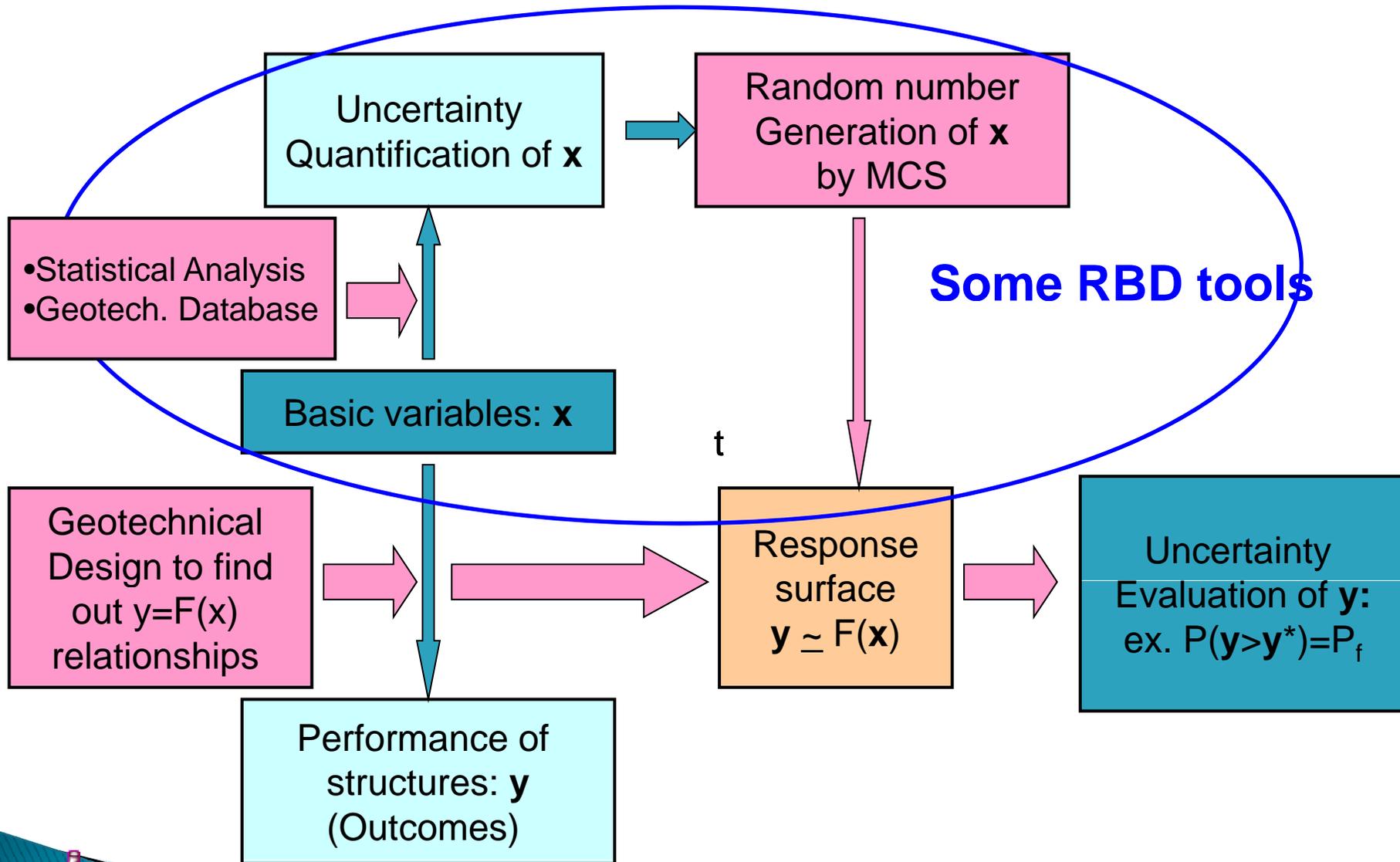
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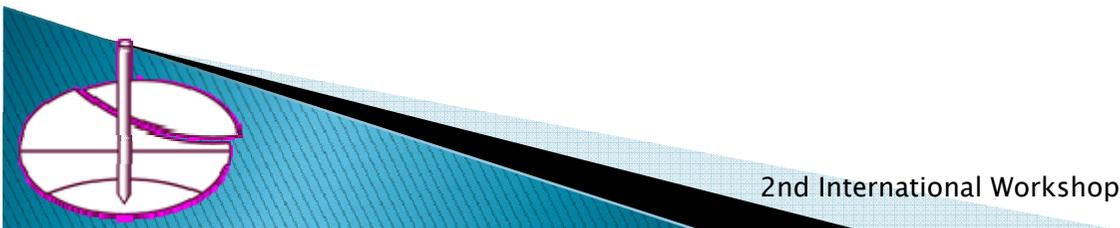


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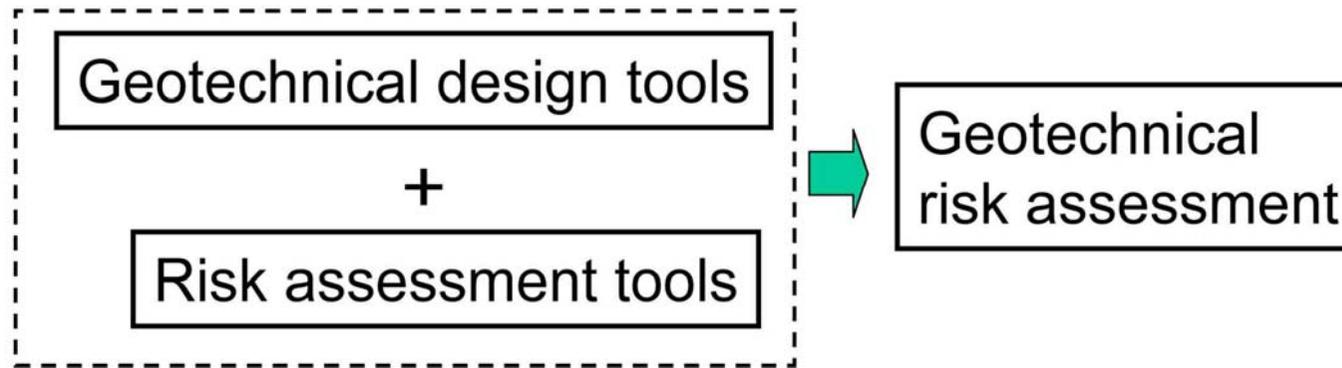
# Merits of RSM (response surface method)

1. Release geotechnical engineers from the uncomfortable feelings for RBD tools by separating geotechnical design part and RBD part.
2. Monte Carlo simulation, a very straightforward tool, is only RBD tool employed.
3. The response surface (RS) itself contains considerable amount of useful design information.
4. Direct geotechnical designers to make the most of their knowledge, experiences and engineering judgments in obtaining the RS.

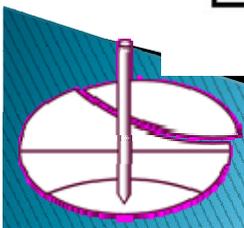
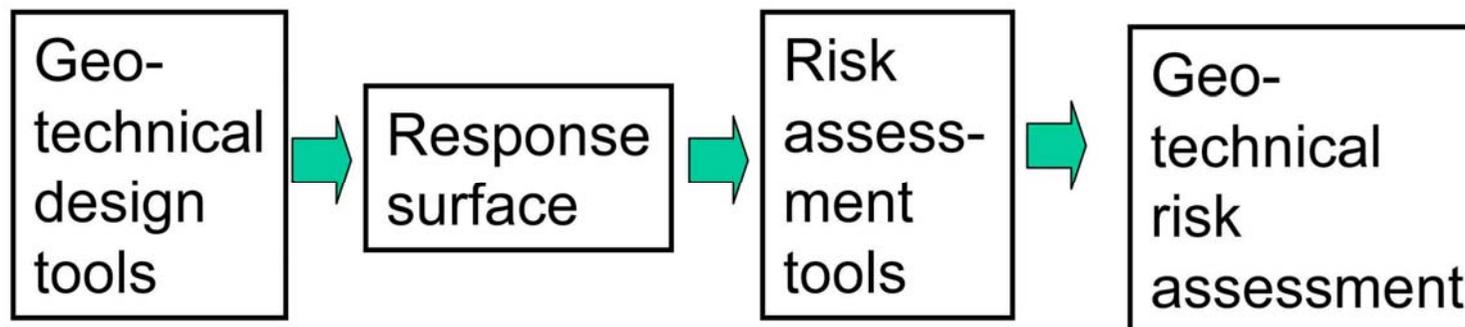


# RBD by response surfaces

Existing methods



Proposed method

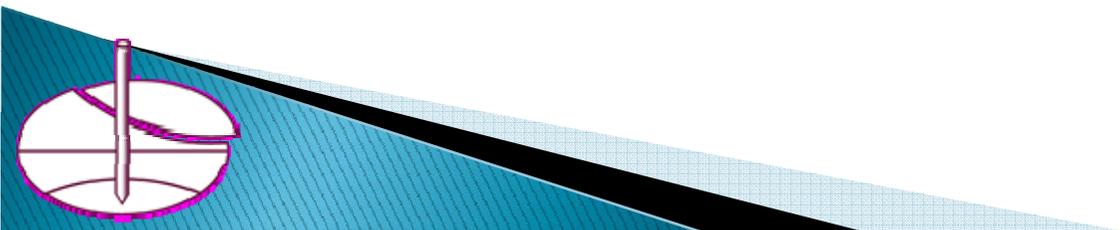


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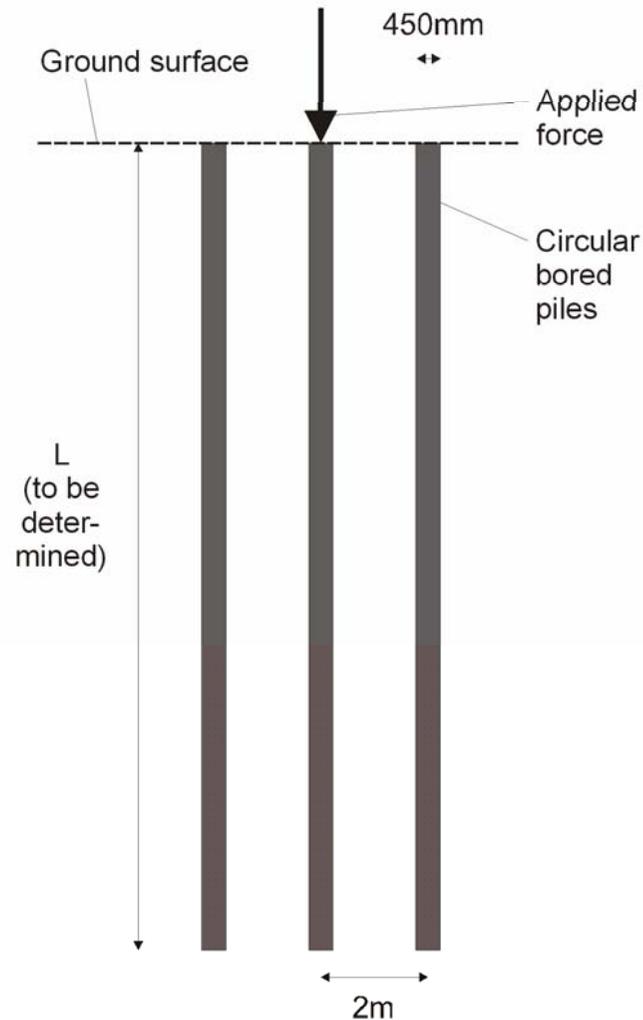


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## EX 2-6 : PILE FOUNDATION IN SAND



Determine bored pile length  $L$  (m) ( $D = 0.45$  m) spaced 2.0 (m) centres

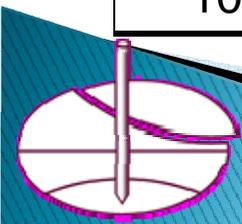
permanent load = 300 (kN)

vertical variable load = 150 (kN).

Pleistocene fine and medium sand covered by Holocene layers

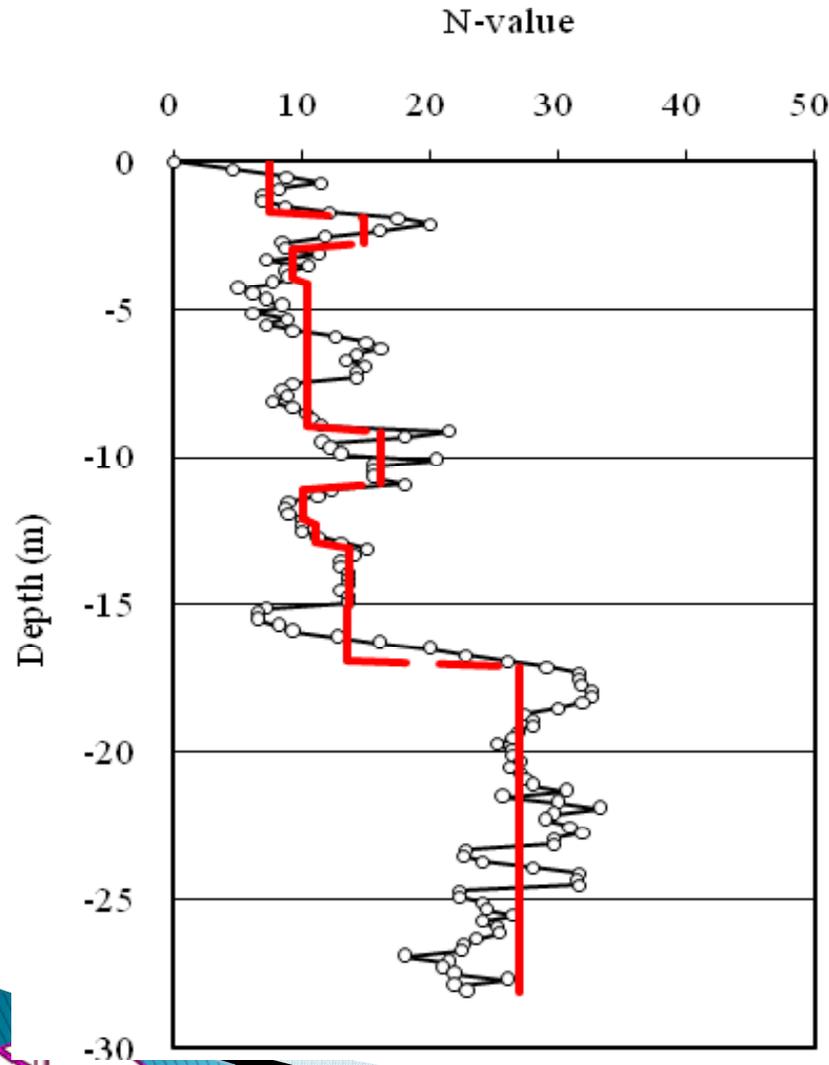
## EX2-6: Mean and SD of converted SPT-N of each layer

layer	Soil description	Depth (m)	Mean (SPT N)	SD (SPT N)
1	Clay with sand seams	0.0 - 1.9	7.5	3.66
2	Fine sand	1.9 - 2.9	14.8	4.58
3	Clay with sand seams	2.9 - 4.0	9.2	1.44
4	Fine silty sand	4.0 - 9.0	10.3	3.22
5	Fine silty sand with clay & peat seams	9.0 - 11.0	16.2	3.31
6	Clay with sand seams	11.0 - 12.3	10.1	1.45
7	Clay with peat seams	12.3 - 13.0	11.1	1.51
8	Clay with peat seams	13.0 - 15.0	13.7	0.54
9	Fine sand	15.0 - 17.0	13.6	7.24
10	Fine sand	17.0 -	27.0	3.71



# EX 2-6 : PILE FOUNDATION IN SAND

## Transformation of $q_c$ to SPT-N



$$\frac{q_c / p_a}{N} = 5.44 D_{50}^{0.26}$$

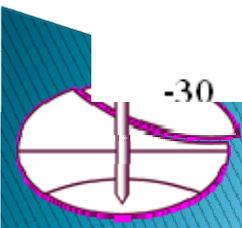
where

$p_a$  = atmospheric pressure,

$D_{50}$  = 50% grain size of soil.

No bias in the conversion  
but SD is 1.03.

Kulhawy and Mayne (1990, Fig. 2.30),



## EX2-6: Performance function or RS

$$M = U \delta_f \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_{ti} f_i(\delta_t N_i) L_i + \delta_{qd} q_a(\delta_t N_n) A_p - \delta_{Gk} G_k - \delta_{Qk} Q_k$$

where,

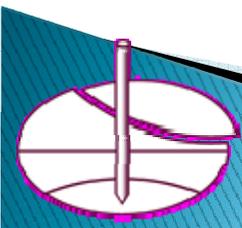
$\delta_f$  : uncertainty of estimating pile shaft resistance,  $f_i$ , by SPT-N

$\delta_{qd}$  : uncertainty of estimating pile tip resistance,  $qd$ , by SPT-N

$\delta_t$  : uncertainty of transformation from CPT  $qc$  to SPT-N

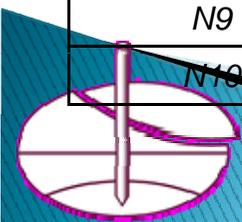
$\delta_{Gk}$  : uncertainty on characteristic value of permanent load.

$\delta_{Qk}$  : uncertainty of characteristic value of variable load.

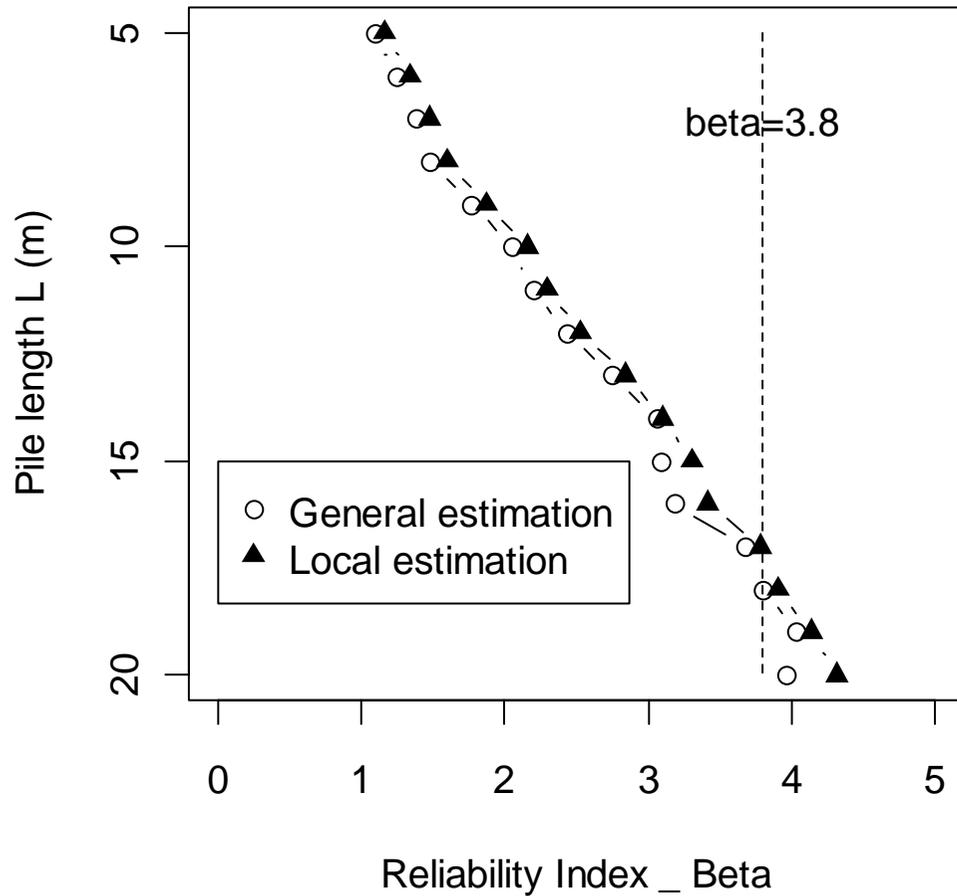


## EX2-6: Statistical properties of the basic variables

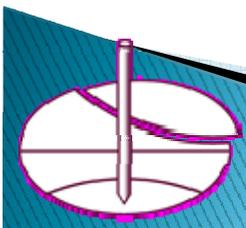
Basic variable	Mean	SD	Distribution	Note
$\delta_{Gk}$	1.0	0.1	N	$G_k = 300$ (kN) <sup>(1)</sup>
$\delta_{Qk}$	0.6	0.21	Gumbel	$Q_k = 150$ (kN) <sup>(1)</sup>
$\delta_f$	1.07	0.492	LN	Okahara <i>et.al</i> (1991)
$\delta_{qd}$	1.12	0.706	LN	Okahara <i>et.al</i> (1991)
$\delta_t$	1	1.03	LN	Kulhawy & Mayne (1990)
$N1$	7.51	3.66	N	unit: SPT N-value
$N2$	14.80	4.58	N	unit: SPT N-value
$N3$	9.24	1.44	N	unit: SPT N-value
$N4$	10.33	3.22	N	unit: SPT N-value
$N5$	16.17	3.31	N	unit: SPT N-value
$N5$	10.08	1.45	N	unit: SPT N-value
$N7$	11.14	1.51	N	unit: SPT N-value
$N8$	13.68	0.54	N	unit: SPT N-value
$N9$	13.56	7.24	N	unit: SPT N-value
$N10$	26.98	3.71	N	unit: SPT N-value



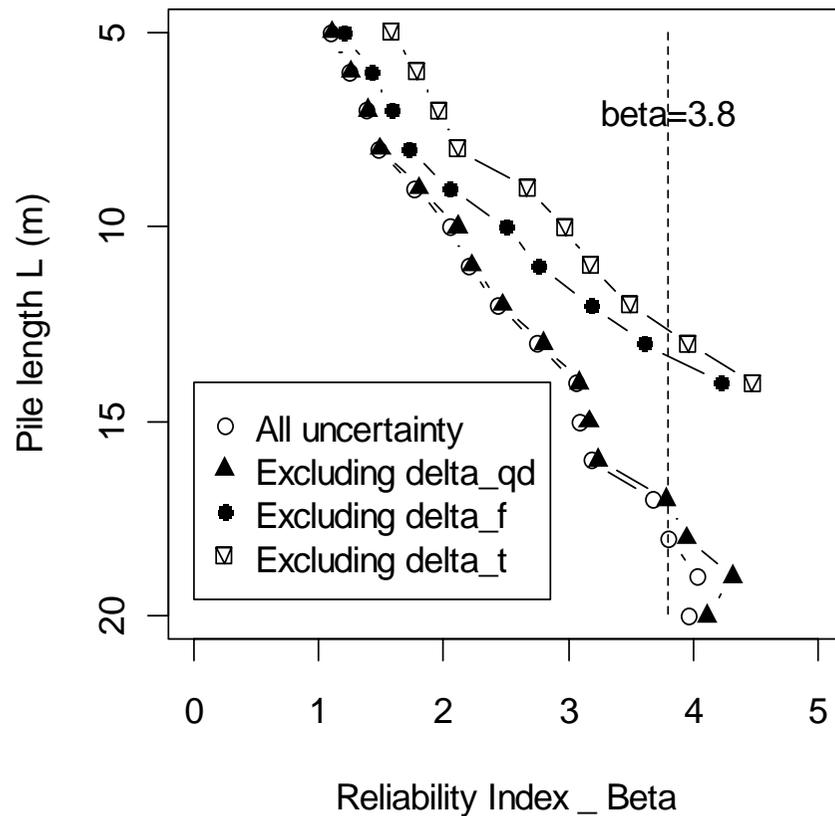
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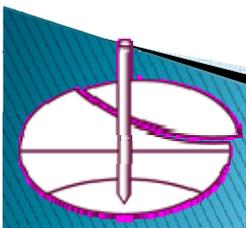
pile length of more than 18 (m) is necessary for  $b=3.8$



# EX 2-6 : PILE FOUNDATION IN SAND – results



$\beta =$	2.3	3.1	3.8
Consider all uncertainty	11.5	15.0	18.0
Excluding $\delta_{qd}$	11.3	15.0	17.1
Excluding $\delta_f$	9.5	12.0	13.3
Excluding $\delta_t$	8.4	11.0	12.7



# Development of LSD – Structural Engineering

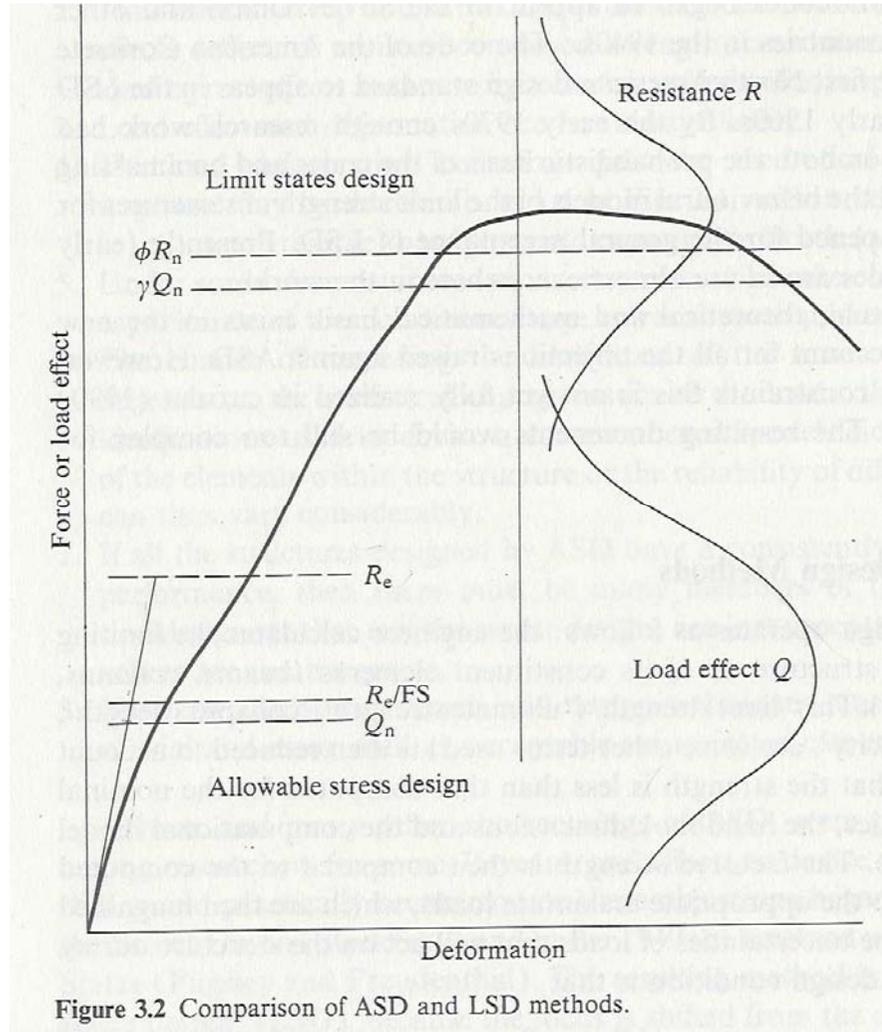


Figure 3.2 Comparison of ASD and LSD methods.

(Galambos, 1992)

19<sup>th</sup> Century

ASD (Allowable Stress Design)

1920 th

Ultimate Strength Design researches in USSR and Eastern Europe

After World War II

Classic Reliability Based Design

(Freudenthal, 1945 etc.)

LSD (Limit State Design)

FOSM (First Order Second Moment Method) (Cornell, 1968)

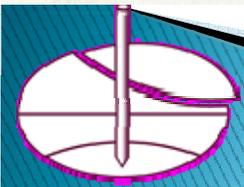
1970 th

FORM (First Order Reliability Method)

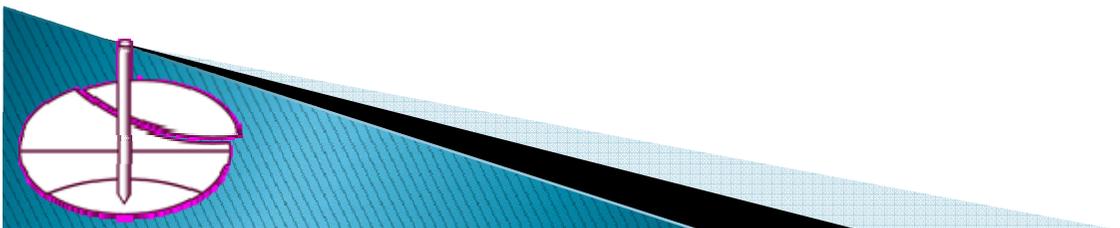
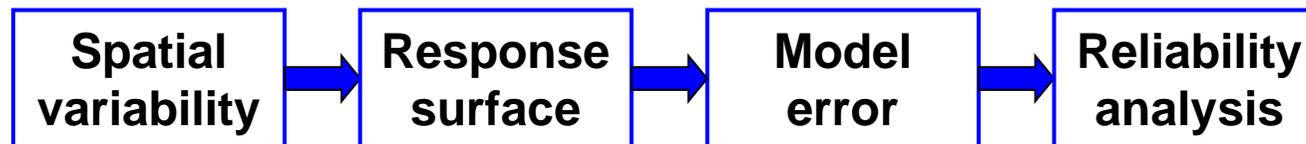
(Ditlevsen, 1973; Hasofer & Lind, 1974etc.)

Development of Structural Eurocodes

(JCSS, Joint Committee on Structural Safety)

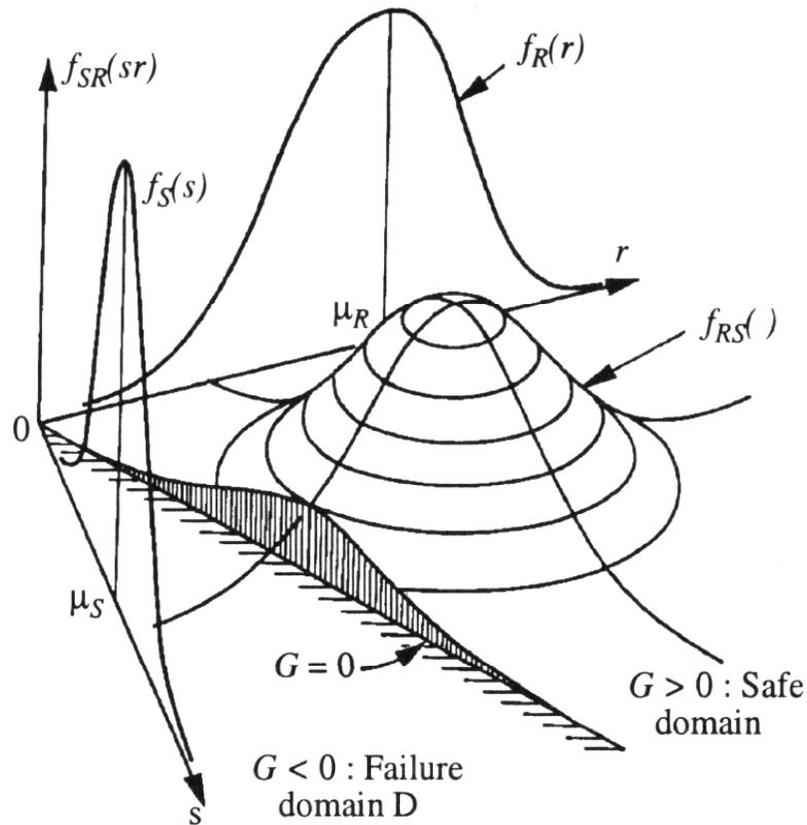


# Procedures for different examples



# Level III RBD (reliability based design): Full distribution approach

Failure probability is obtained  
By integrating portion of the  
distribution in failure region.



$$P_F = \int \int_D f_{RS}(r, s) dr ds$$

