# WG 2: Modelling of hazards

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Model = physics + statistics



Earthquake Landslide Tornado Avalanche Rock fall High groundwater Flood

hazards

Internal explosion

External explosion

**Internal fire** 

**External fire** 

Impact by vehicle etc

Mining subsidence

**Environmental attack** 

Vandalism Demonstrations Terrorist attack Design error Material error Construction error User error

Lack of maintenance

### Modelling of accidental actions (natural / man made)

- $\Box$  Triggering event *H* (place **x**, time *t*)
- □ Magnitude possibly some other parameters.
- Physical interactions (environment, structure S)
- Damage
- Consequences



Components for the extreme event modelling (S=Structure, H=Hazard event)



## **Impact scenario model**





variable	designation	type	mean	stand dev
n	number of lorries/day	deterministic	5000	-
Т	reference time	deterministic	100 years	-
λ	accident rate	deterministic	10 <sup>-10</sup> m <sup>-1</sup>	-
b	width of a vehicle	deterministic	2.50 m	-
α	angle of collision course	rayleigh	10°	10 <sup>°</sup>
v	vehicle velocity	lognormal	80 km/hr	10 km/hr
а	deceleration	lognormal	4 m²/s	1.3 m/s <sup>2</sup>
m	vehicle mass	normal	20 ton	12 ton
k	vehicle stiffness	deterministic	300 kN/m	-

Table 4.2.1: Data for probabilistic collision force calculation







Life time exceedence probability: 10<sup>-3</sup>



## **INTERNAL NATURAL GAS EXPLOSIONS**

$$p_d = \max\{3 + p_v, 3 + 0.5 p_v + 0.04 / (A_v / V)^2\}$$

*p<sub>d</sub>* = equivalent static pressure [kN/m<sup>2</sup>] *A<sub>v</sub>* = area of venting components [m<sup>2</sup>] *V* = volume of room [m<sup>3</sup>]
load duration = 0.2 s *dp*10-1000 kpa
reaction zone *b* 

Figure 1: Pressure waves inside the explosion medium: (a) deflagration, (b) detonation



# **UK** statistics

	Annual probability of occurrence in dwellings	Possible pressure
Reported explosion but not significant	0.064 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>	<<17 kN/m²
Moderate explosion	0.010 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>	<17 kN/m²
Severe explosion	0.005 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>	>17 kN/m²
Very severe explosion	0.0002 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>	>>17 kN/m <sup>2</sup>





### **Observed scatter in explosions**





## Human error model

- Probability of making an error P(H)
- Magnitude of the error
- Effect on R:  $\Delta$ , e.g. zero mean, normal, sd  $\sigma(\Delta)$

P(F) = [1-P(H)] P(F|no error) + P(H) P(F | error)

where  $P(F | error) = P(Z_e < 0) = P(R + \Delta - S < 0)$ 



## Human error model



Figure 1: possible model for the effect of human error on resistance.



#### **Data / Numerical values**

#### Aspects

✓ Professional skill

Complexity of the task, completeness or contradiction of information

Physical and mental conditions, including stress and time pressure

- Adaptation of technology to human beings
- Social factors and organisation

In some handbooks [e.g. Gutman and Swain, 1983] general estimates for the probability of making errors are given.



## Gutman/Swain

- Class 5 unbelievable
- Class 4 regular simple task, minimal stress
- Class 3 regular but more complex task, , some clues, less time
- Class 2 cues and memory necessary, distraction, little feed back
- Class 1 unfamiliar, complex, stress, no time

## • P(error) ~ 10 - class





Probability depends on training and mental circumstances (e.g.stress).

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Quantification



# **QA: Design checking**



Checking Efficiency versus Error Magnitude at t = 20 minutes.





## **Conclusions**

Hazards are reviewed

•Focus on modelling and probabilistic description of explosion events

•Statistical modelling of human errors also discussed

