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## Integrated Life Cycle Management (ILCM)

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# Subject

What will it cost to safely and reliably operate a nuclear plant beyond the original and extended license period?

# Background

- Industry initiated
- Standardized data and evaluation process
- Identification SSC refurbishment / replacement
  - Above baseline modifications
  - T+5 to end of operations
  - Outcomes determined to minimize cost and maximize reliability
- Forecast and Collaborate
- EPRI
  - Integrated Life Cycle Management (ILCM)
  - Long Term Operation (LTO)

# Vision

The Integrated Life Cycle Management (ILCM) project will:

- Provide a standard methodology to support effective decision-making for the long-term management of selected station assets.
- Provide technology to provide a sound basis for continued operation of the current nuclear plants at high performance levels through 2030 and beyond.

# Approach

## *Technical lens:*

- Identify major plant equipment (SSC) that drive cost (high cost – high consequence)
- Understand SSC behavior due to aging
- Determine probability of failure over time to end of plant life
- Roll up into plant level asset
- Develop evaluation process for optimizing long range strategy optimum scenario for long range plan

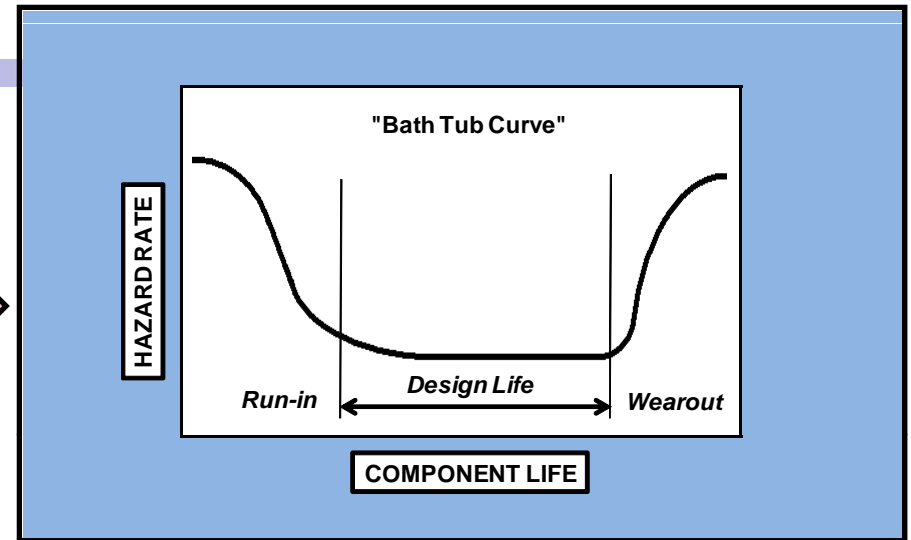
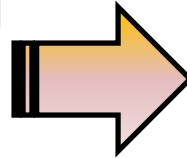
# Basic Principles

1. Build on existing methods and tools – we are not starting from scratch.
2. Utilize a fundamental understanding of how degradation occurs.
3. Compared against OE from operating nuclear plants.
4. Failure curves will be plant-specific.
5. Benchmarked against pilot plants.

# Concept of the Methodology

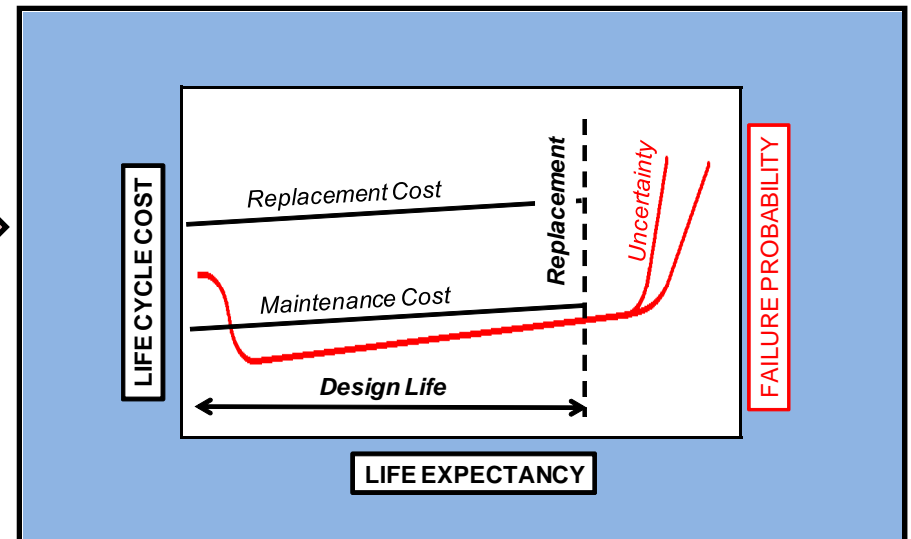
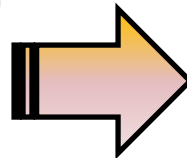
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Component Aging Models are developed for selected equipment and structures



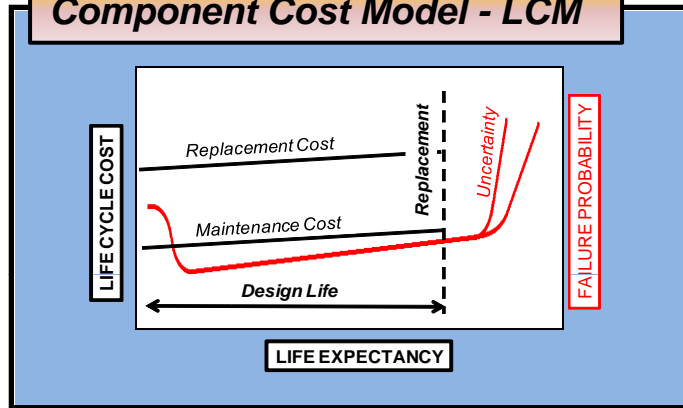
## Component Cost Model

Component Cost Models are developed – considering replacement costs, maintenance costs, and consequences of failure.

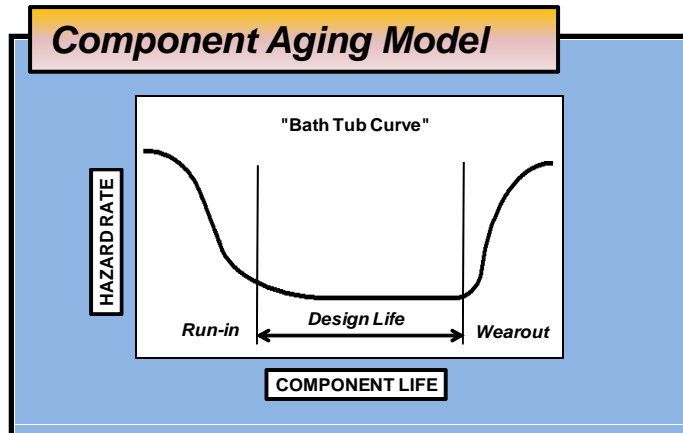


# Integrated Life Cycle Cost

## Component Cost Model - LCM

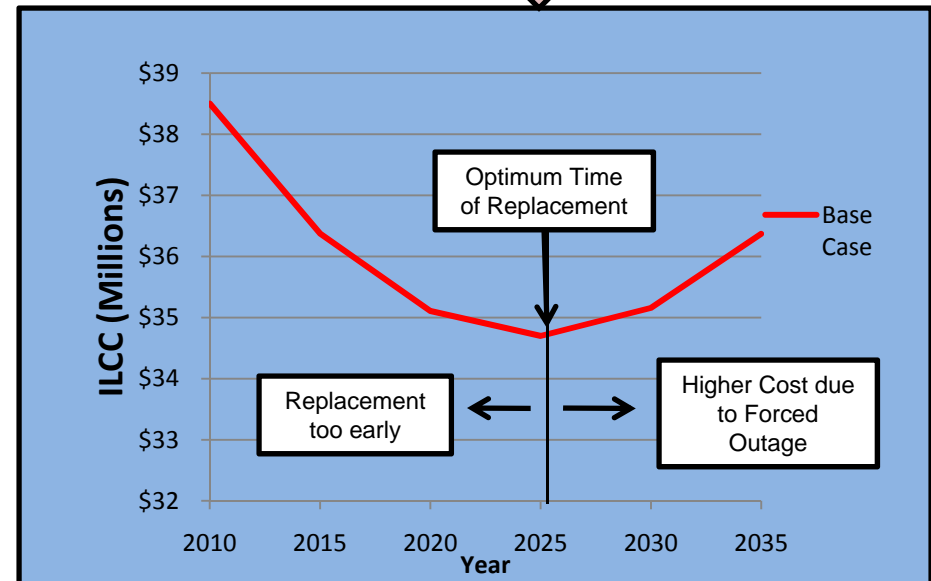


## Component Aging Model



## Integrated Life Cycle Cost (ILCC)

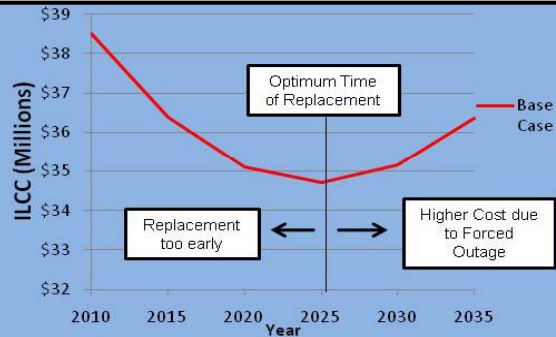
ILCC component models - Integrate the probability of failure from the aging model with costs and consequences to determine optimum replacement times





# Apply across Plant or Fleet

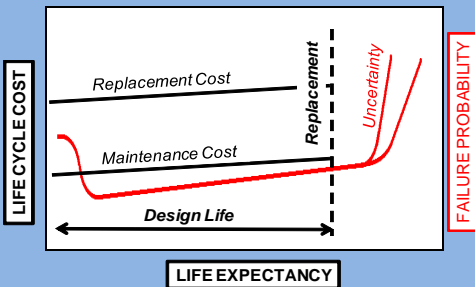
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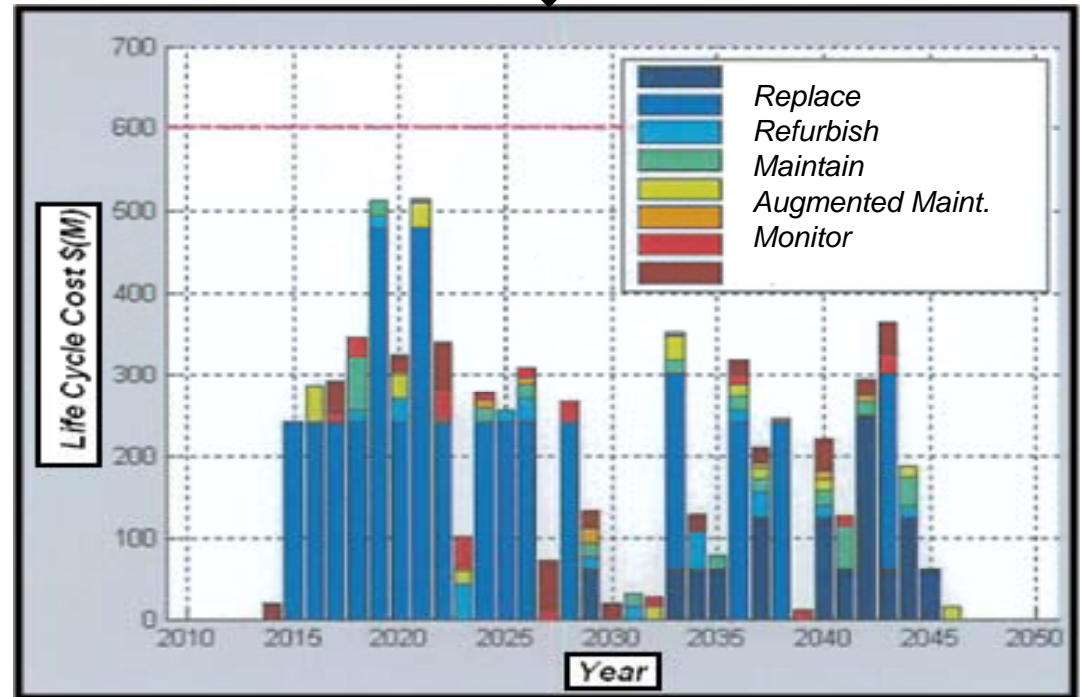
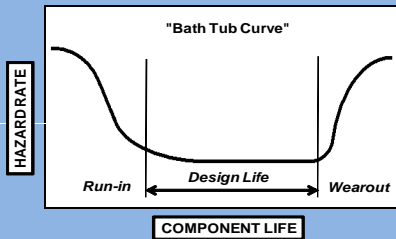
## Integrated Life Cycle Management (ILCM)

Integrate individual component and structure replacement strategies for plant or fleet wide assessment

## Component Cost Model - LCM



## Component Aging Model



# Two Phased Approach

## ***Phase 1:***

- Develop methods for determining long-term likelihood of failure curves.
- Apply to selected structures and components.

## ***Phase 2:***

- Collaboration with EDF
- Assess existing optimization methods
- Refine models to provide desired results.
- Perform pilot
- Move to deployment

# Project Deliverables

1. Methods and data to calculate failure probability.
2. Industry data base for long-term component and structure aging.
3. Methodology to calculate optimum replacement time.
4. Pilot results.
5. EPRI Technical Report.

# Success

- Reliability data
  - Method proven for in scope SSCs (High Cost/High Consequence)
  - Simplified template for medium cost/medium consequence SSCs
- ILCM Database
  - Database structured, defined, tested and working
- ILCM/EDF model reconciled, changed, tested, and working
- EPRI Guideline
- User accepted and incorporated into their decision-making process



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