



# Risk of Loss in Allocation Systems

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Simple Example



Risk and Return



Uncertainty and the Normal Distribution



Risk and Loss Aversion



Integrated Risk of Loss

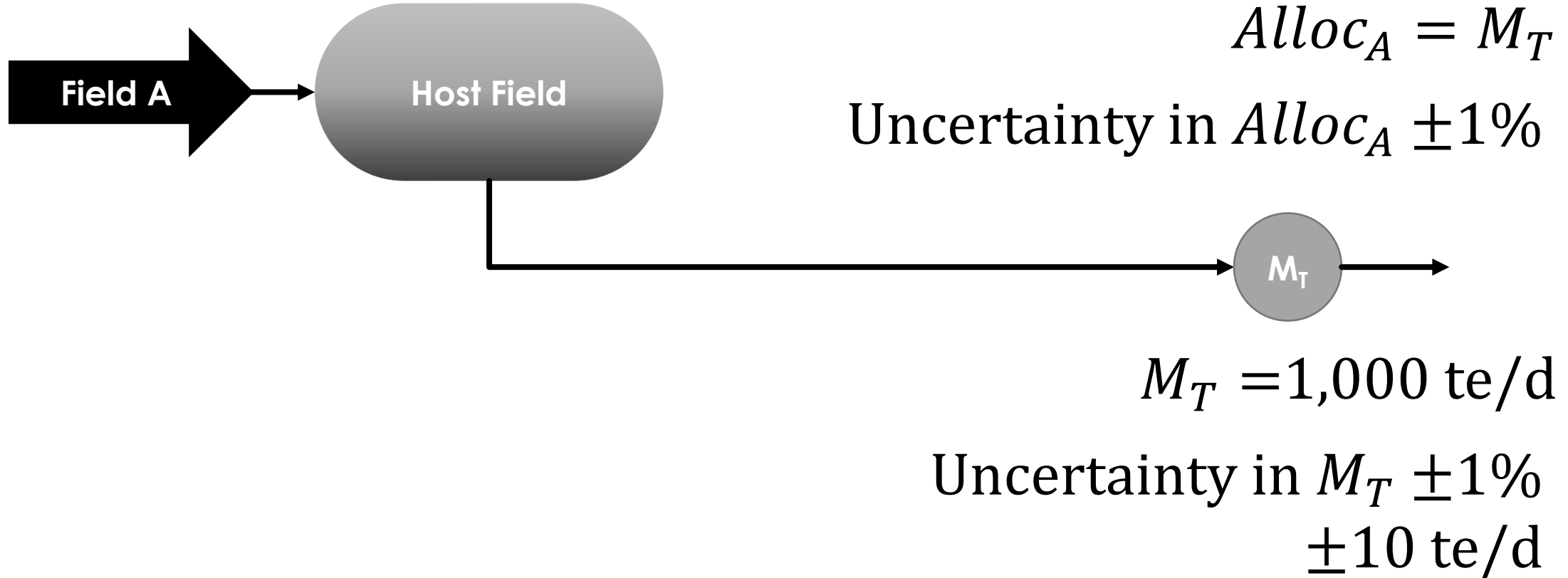


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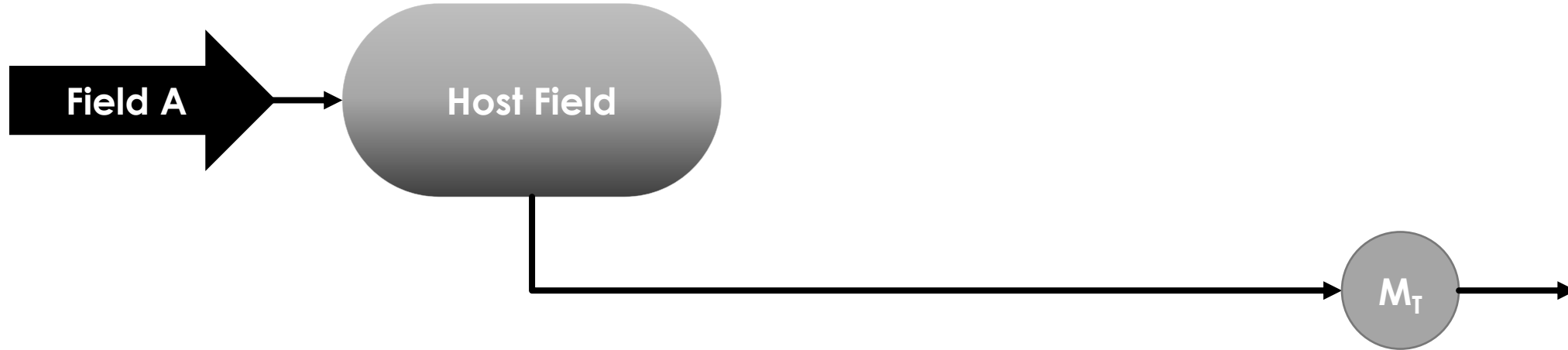
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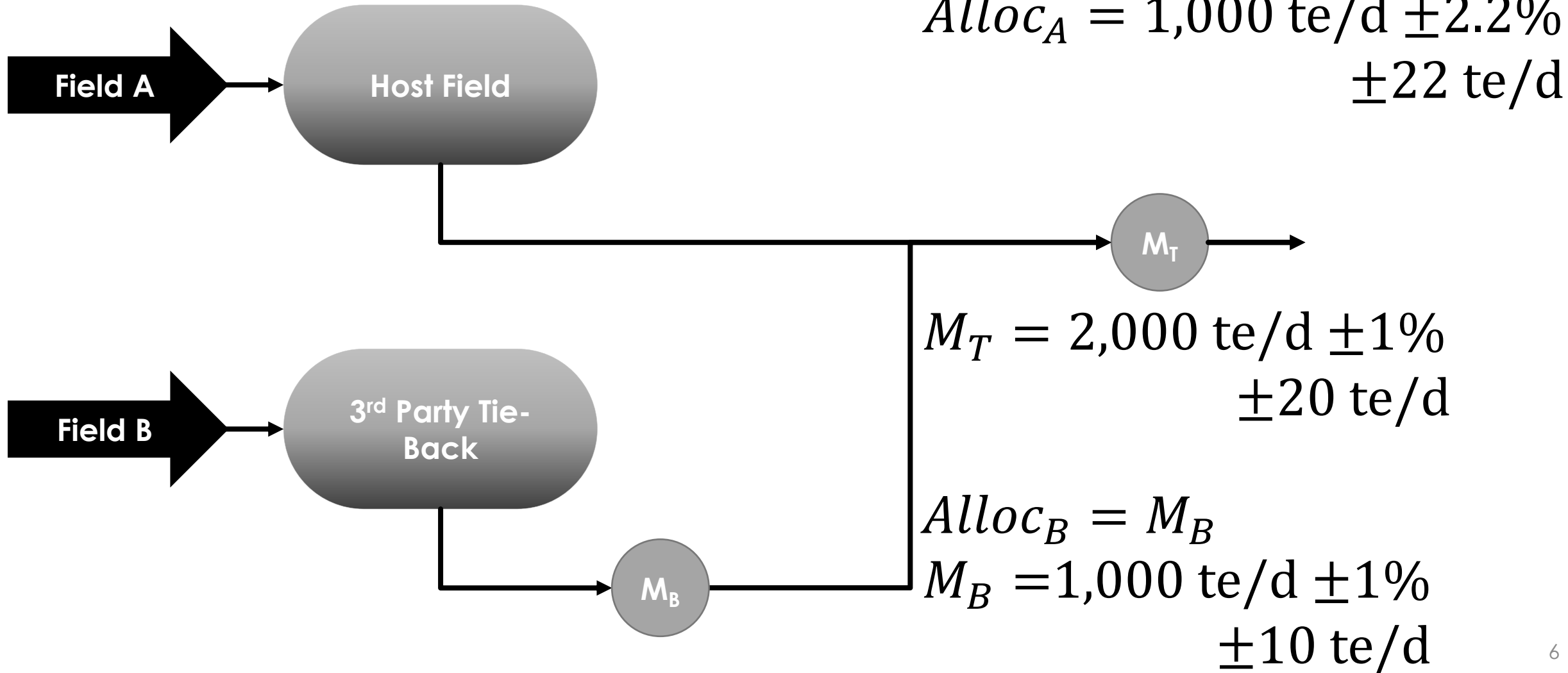


**Uncertainty expressed at the 95% confidence level !**

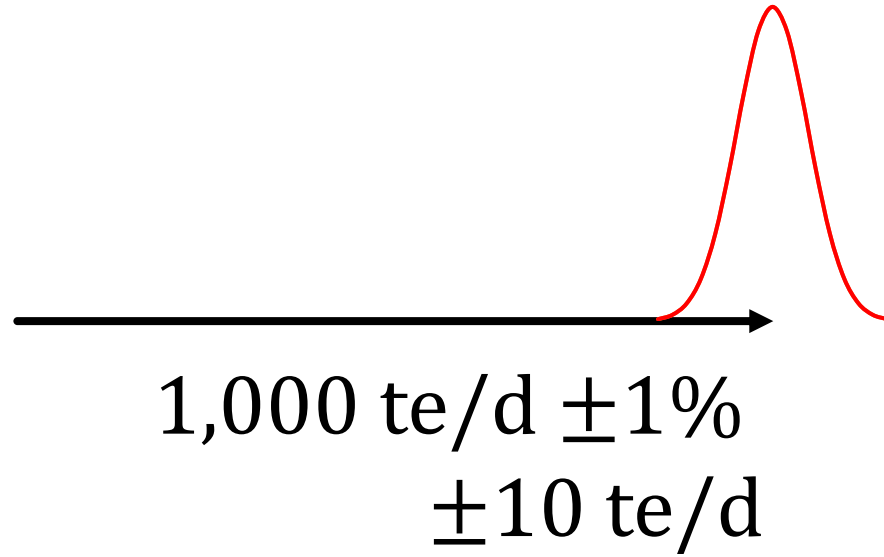
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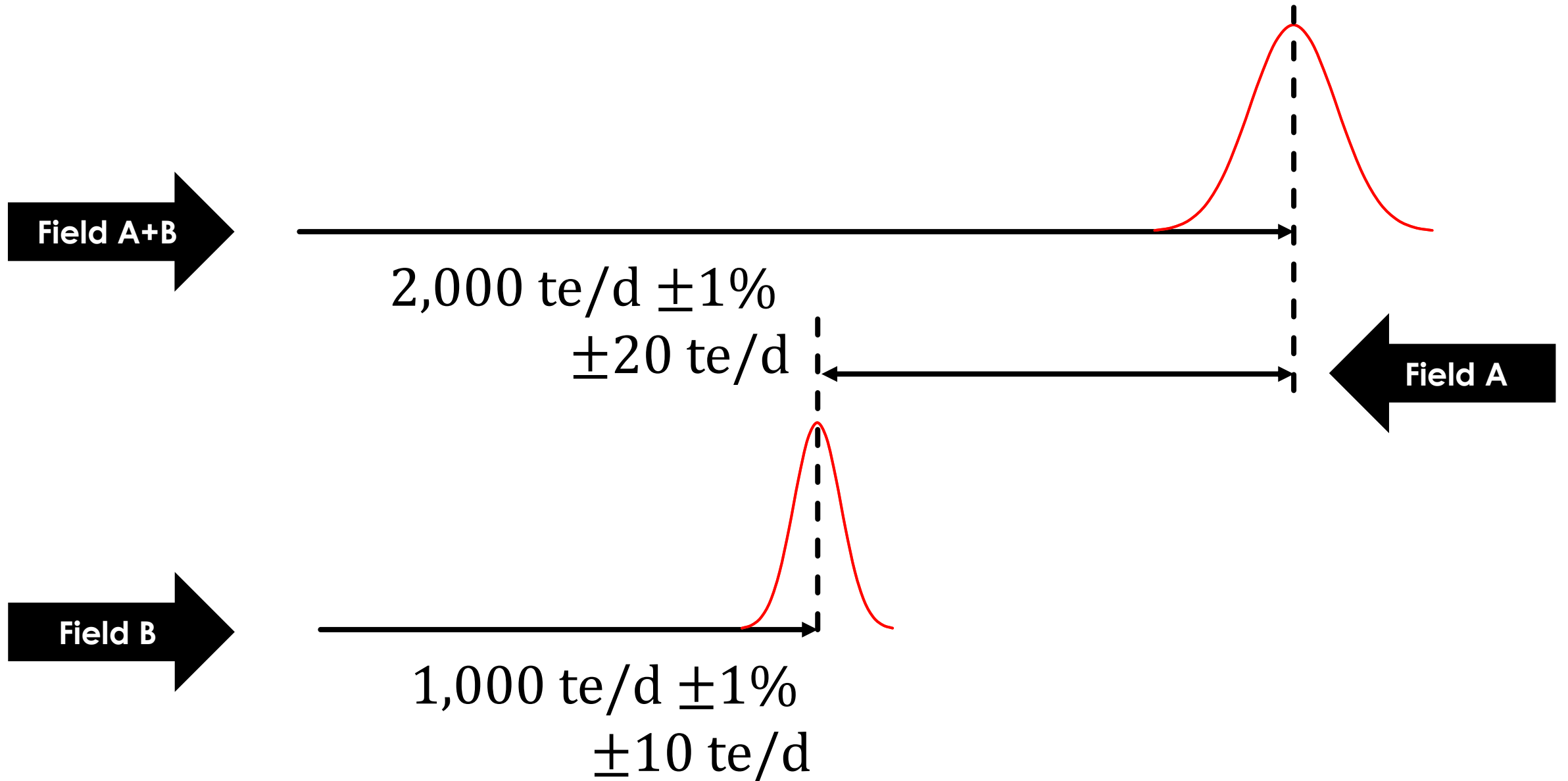
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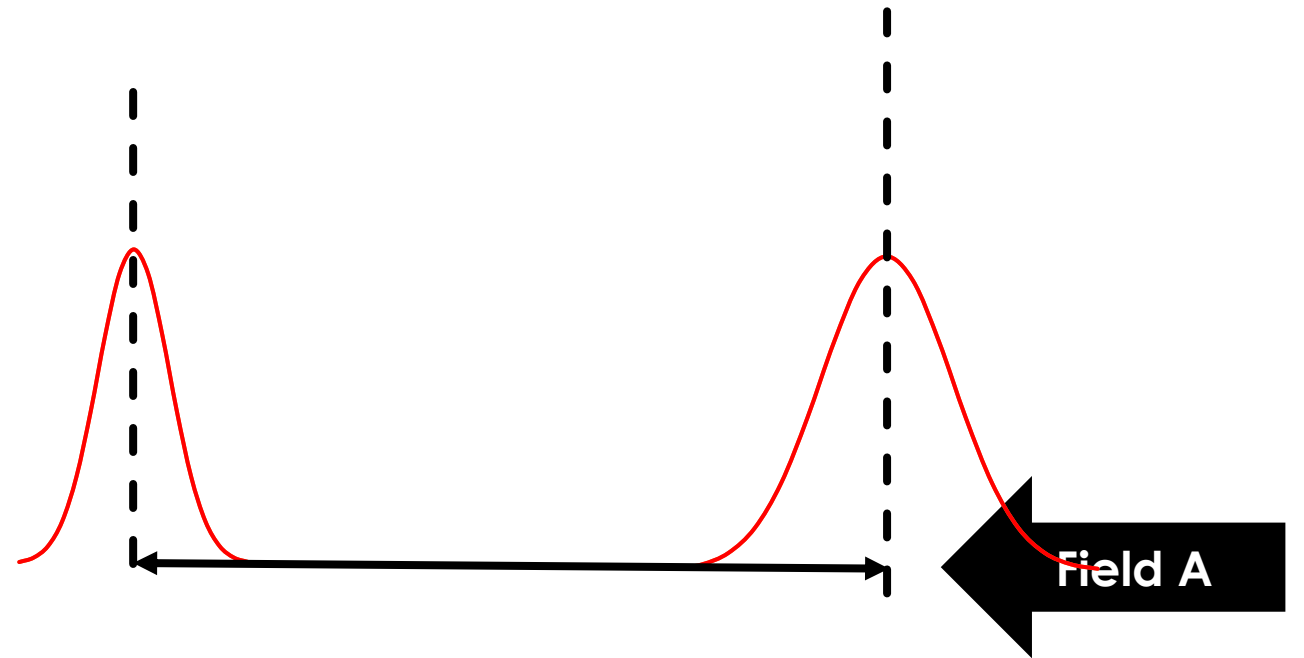


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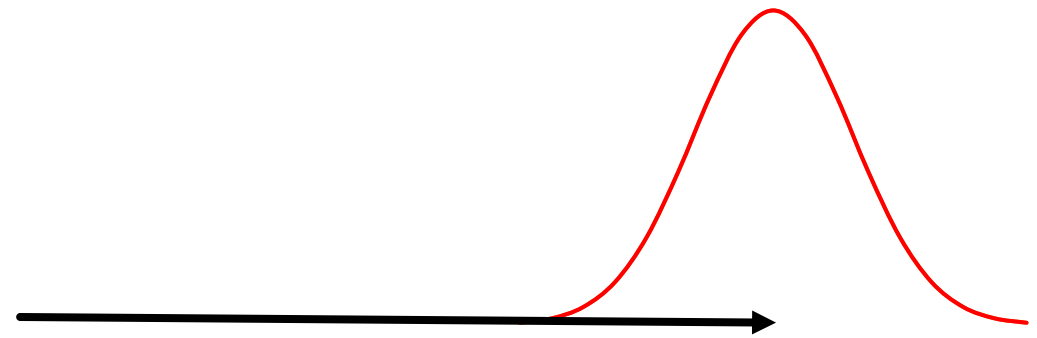




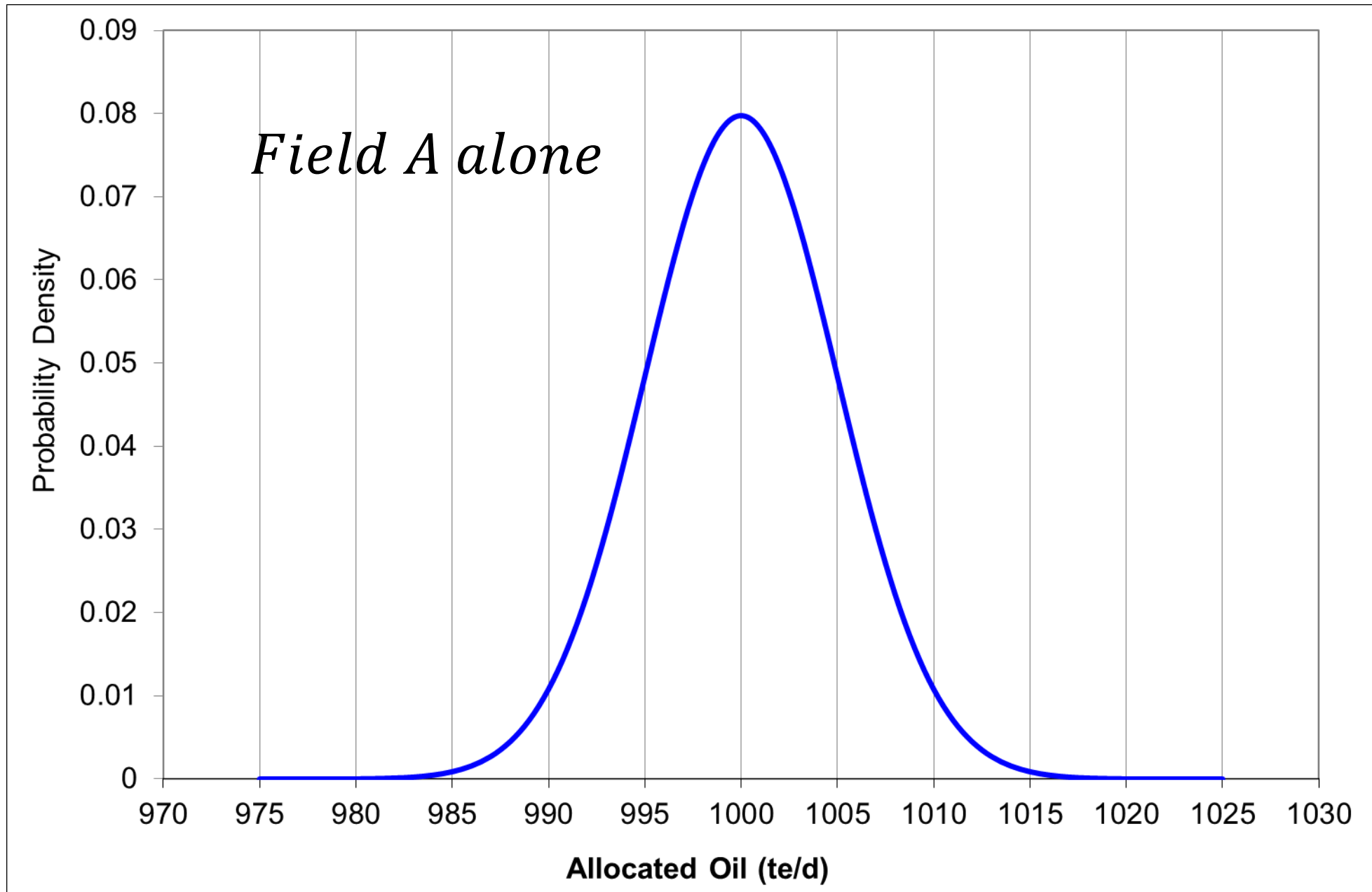
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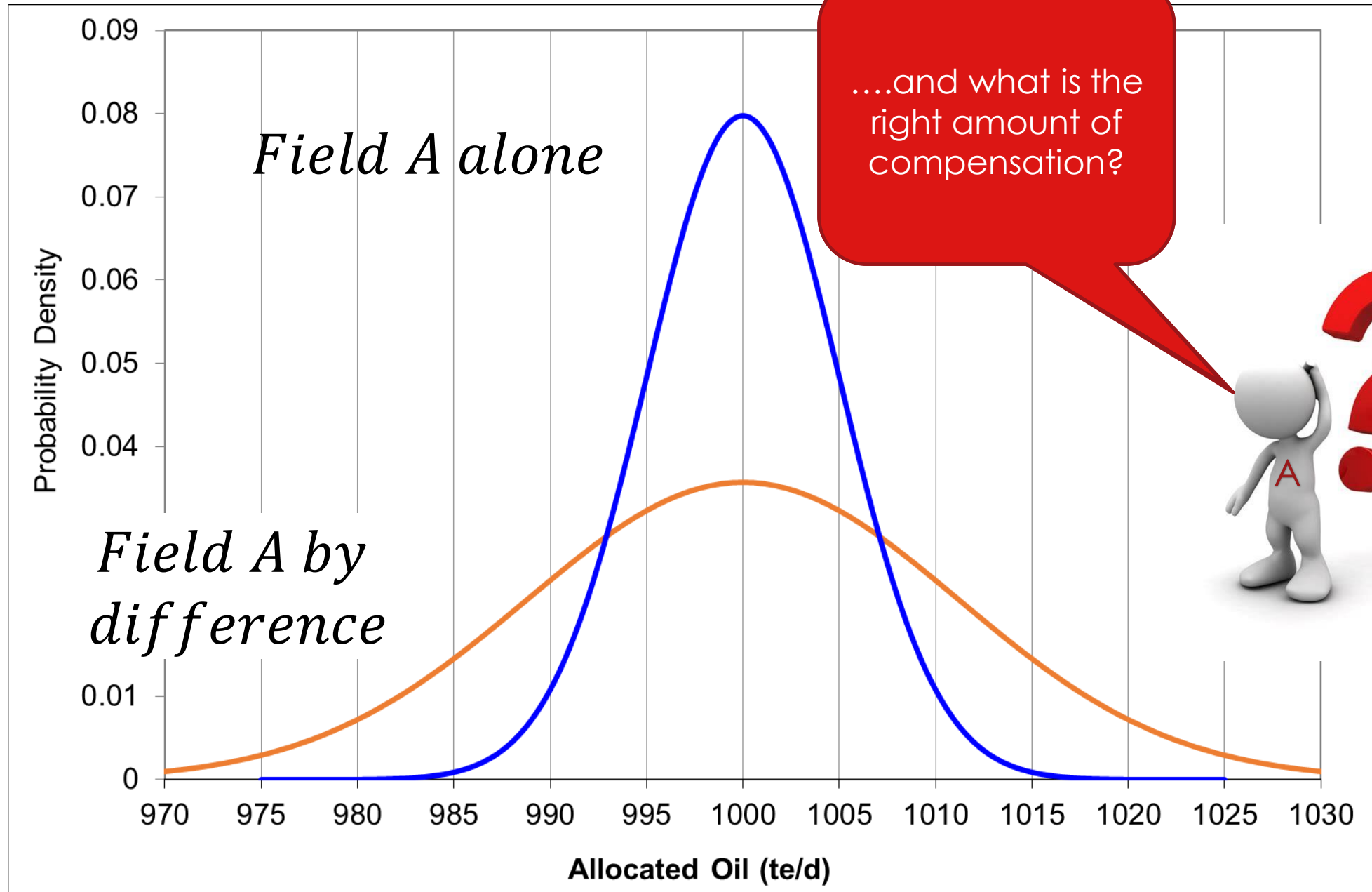


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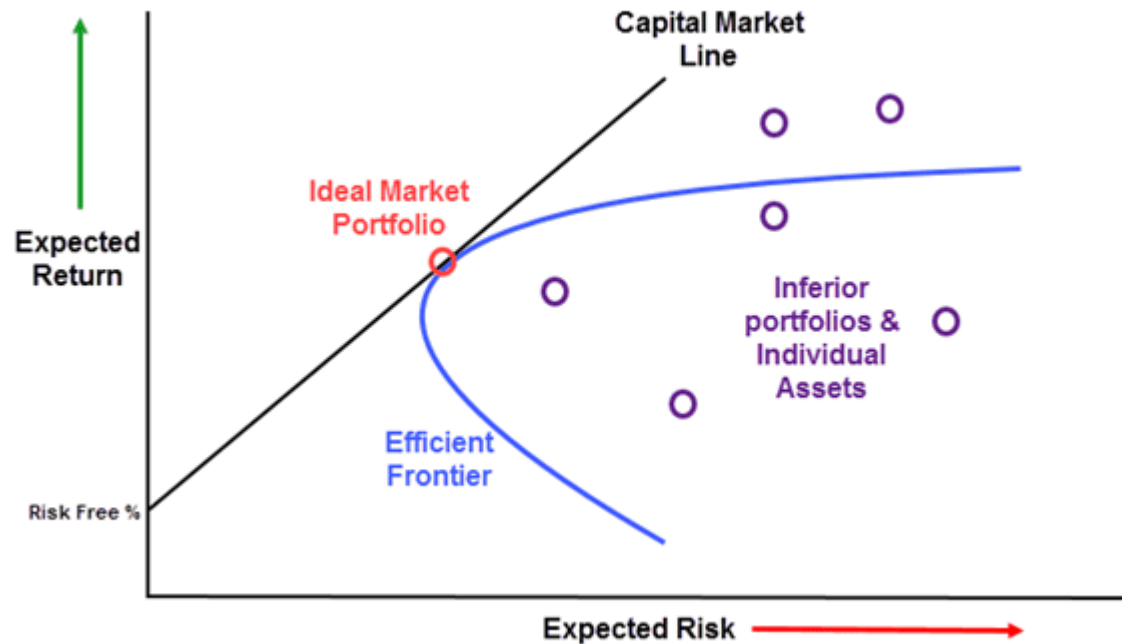


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# Modern Portfolio Theory



The MPT assumes that investors are risk-averse, meaning they prefer a less risky portfolio to a riskier one for a given level of return.

Used to calculate discount rates in NPV calculations – Capital Asset Pricing Model (CAPM).

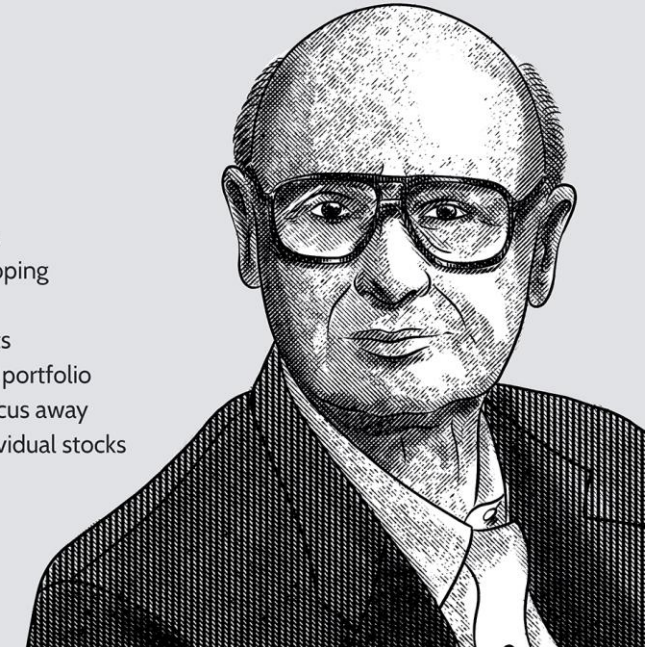
Post Modern Portfolio theory – based on downside risk

## Harry Markowitz

Born: August 24, 1927

### Economist

- 1990 Nobel Prize Recipient in Economic Sciences for developing the modern portfolio theory
- His work popularized concepts like diversification and overall portfolio risk and return, shifting the focus away from the performance of individual stocks



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# Basis

1. Uncertainty described by the Normal or Gaussian distribution
2. Utility
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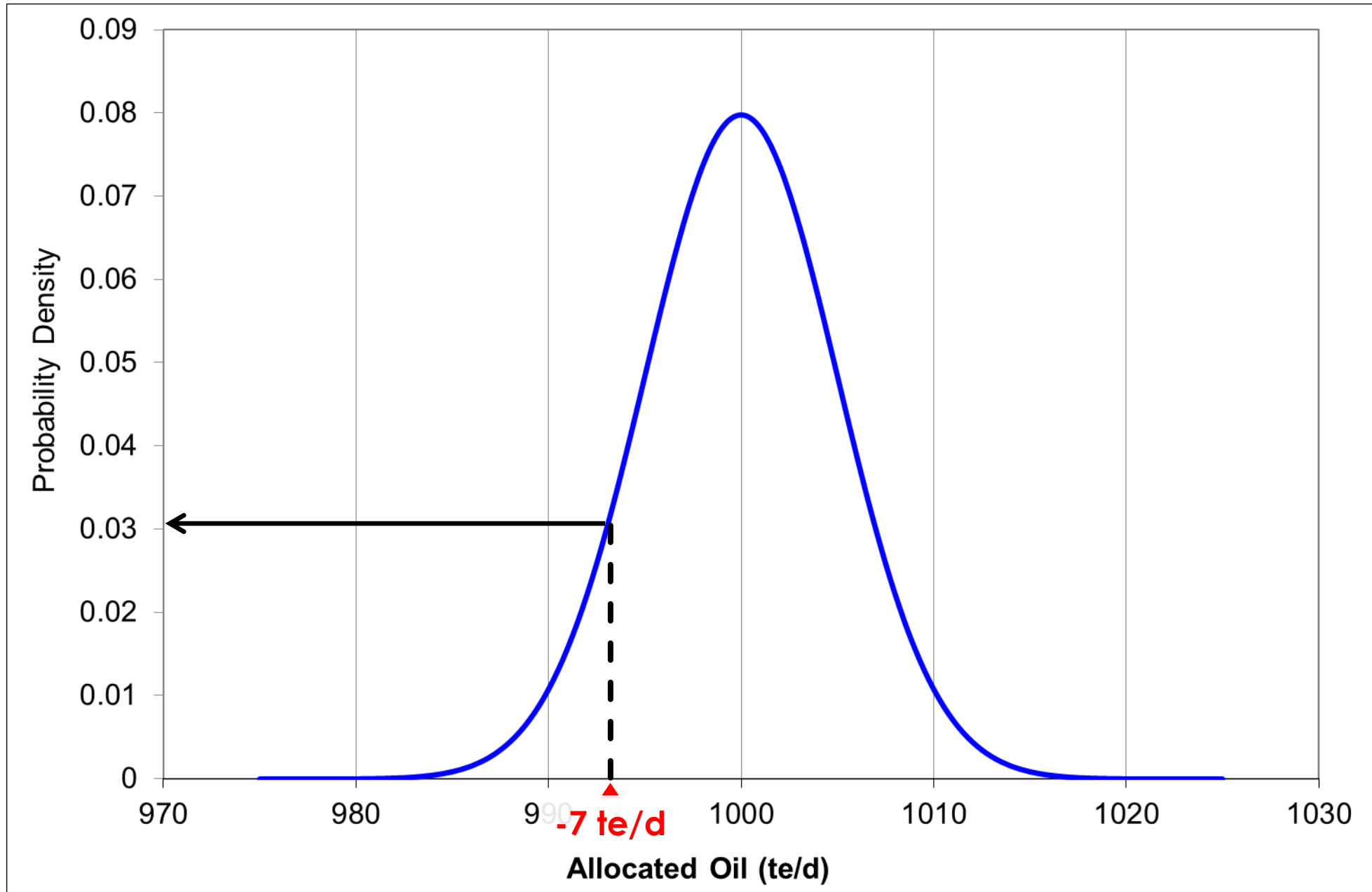


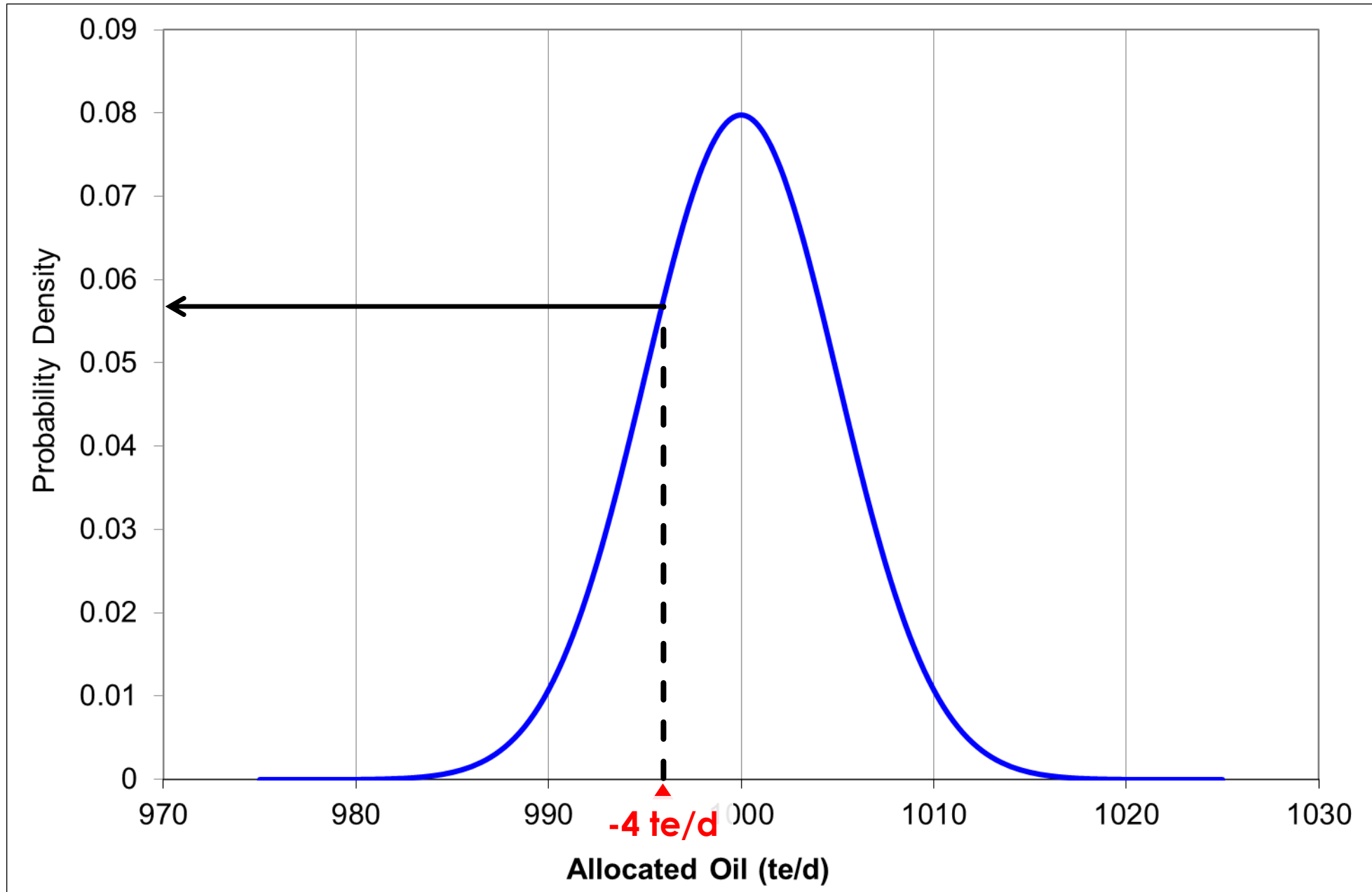
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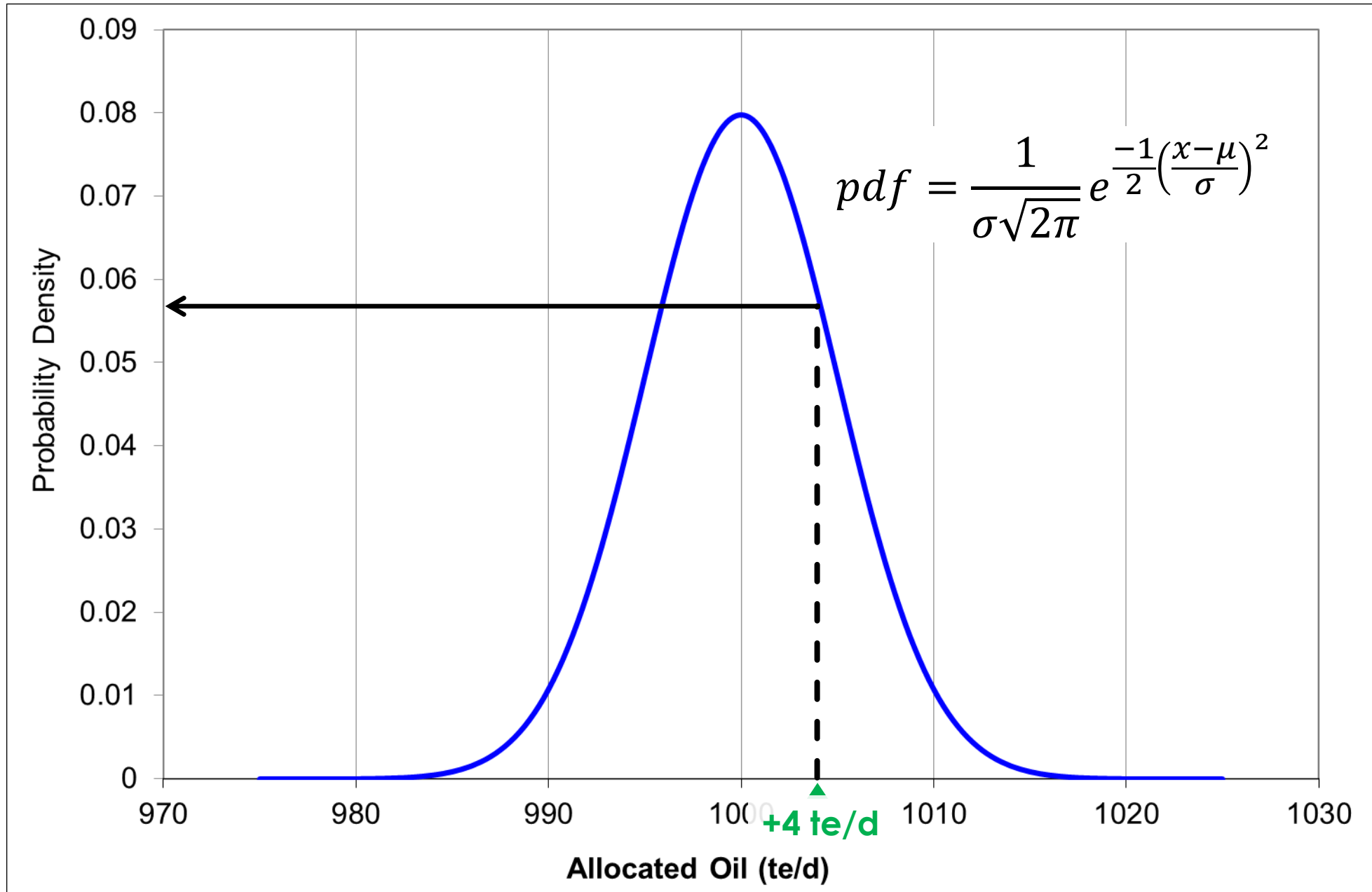


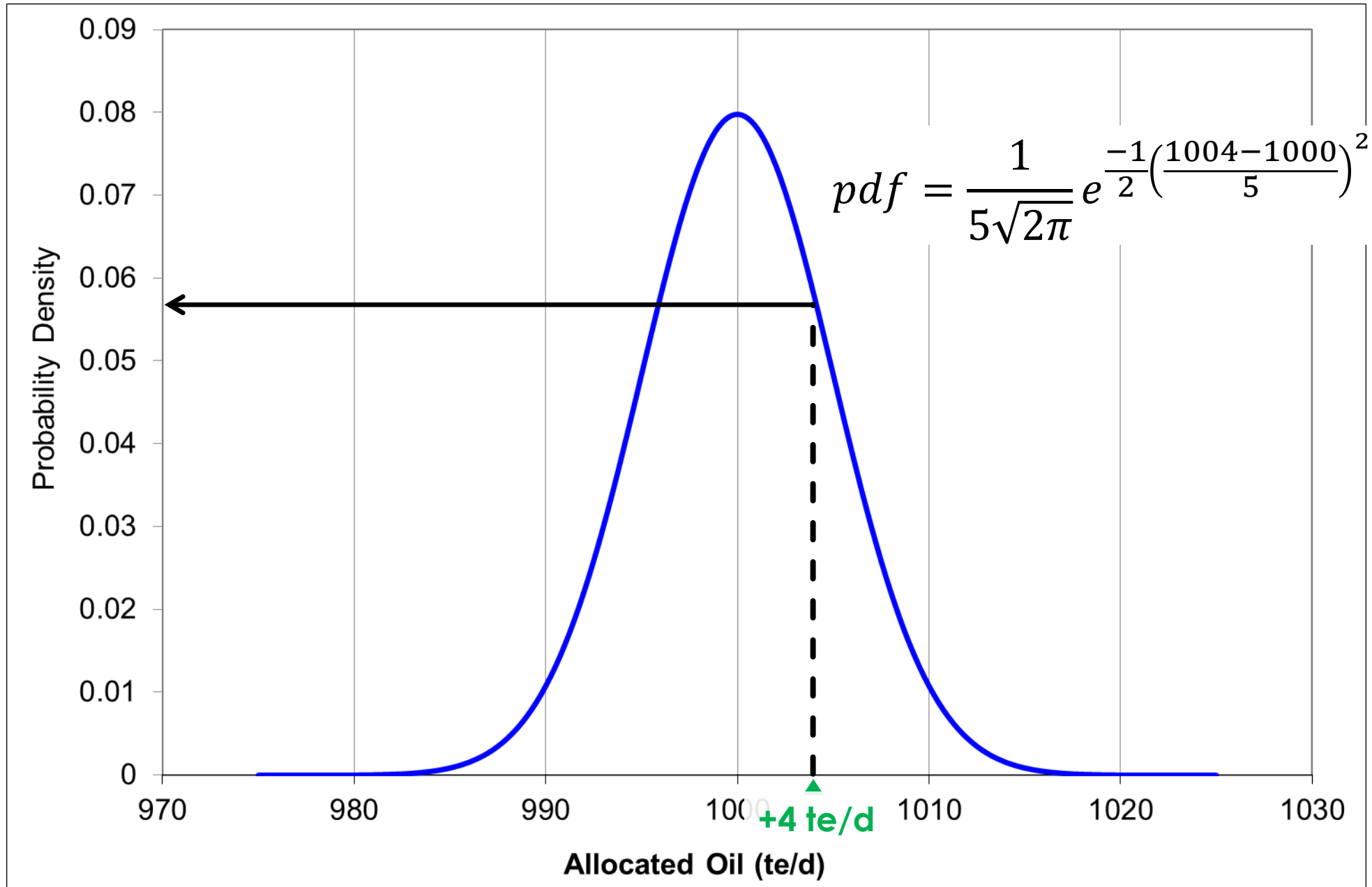
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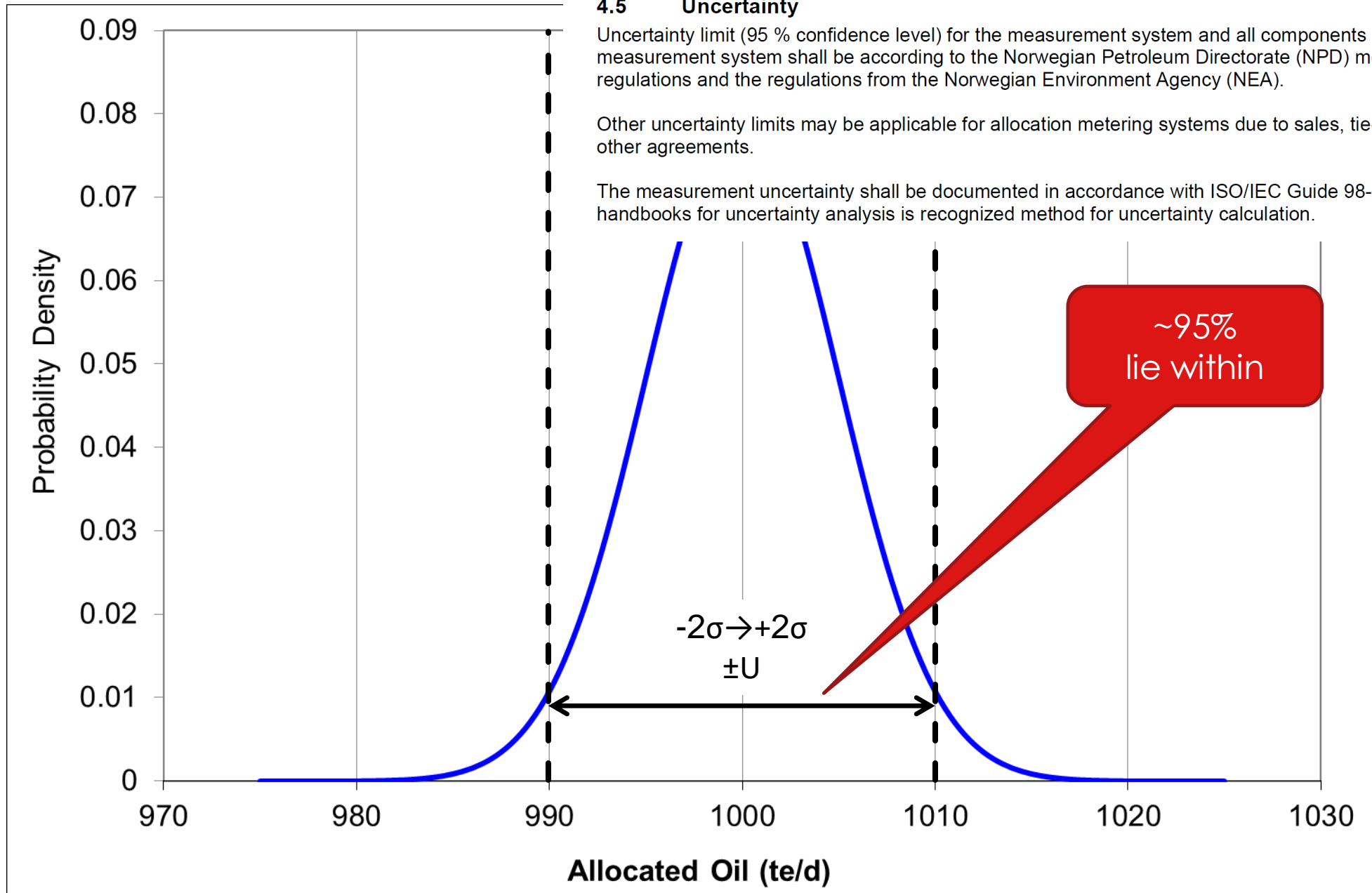


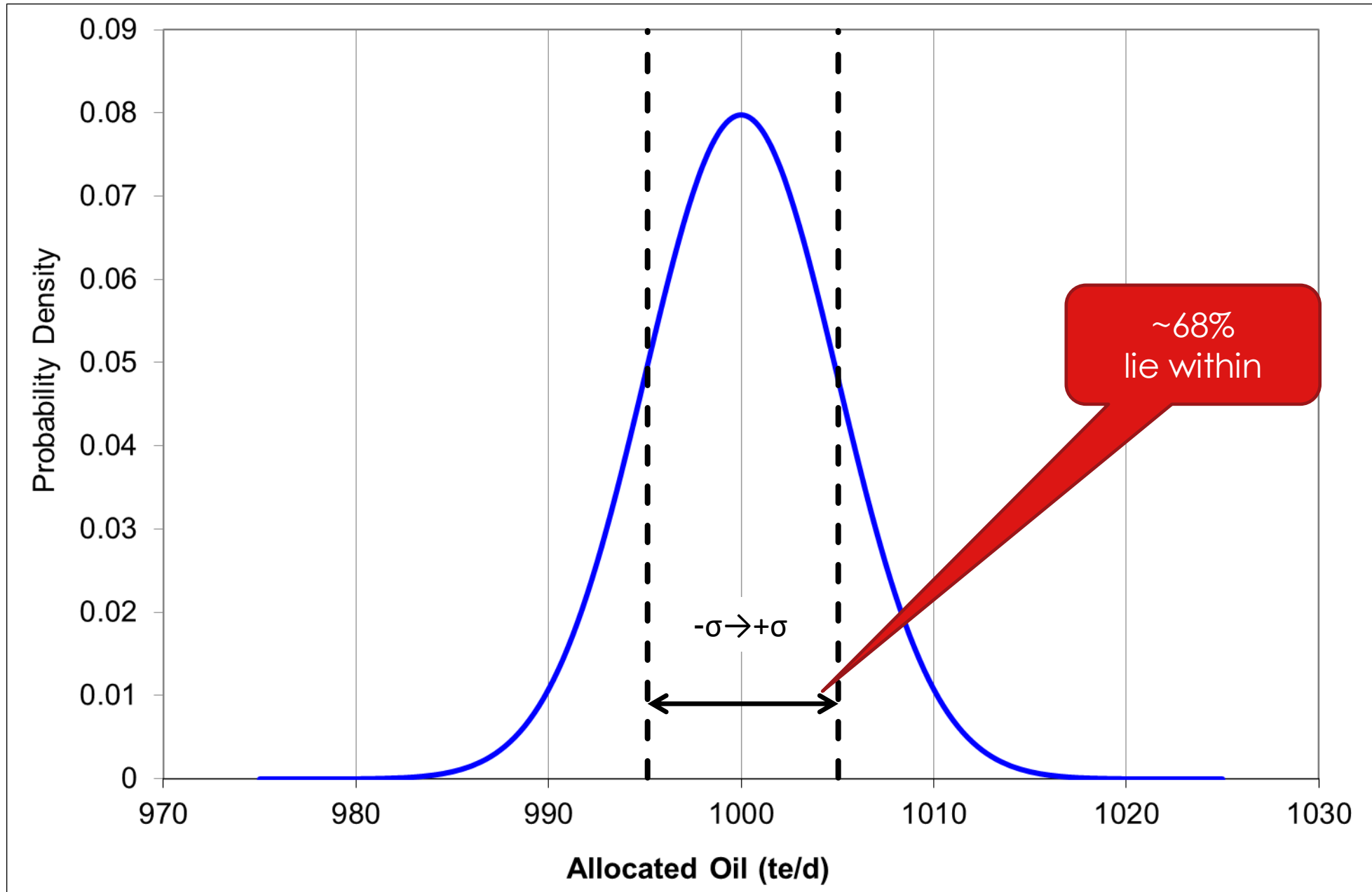
#### 4.5 Uncertainty

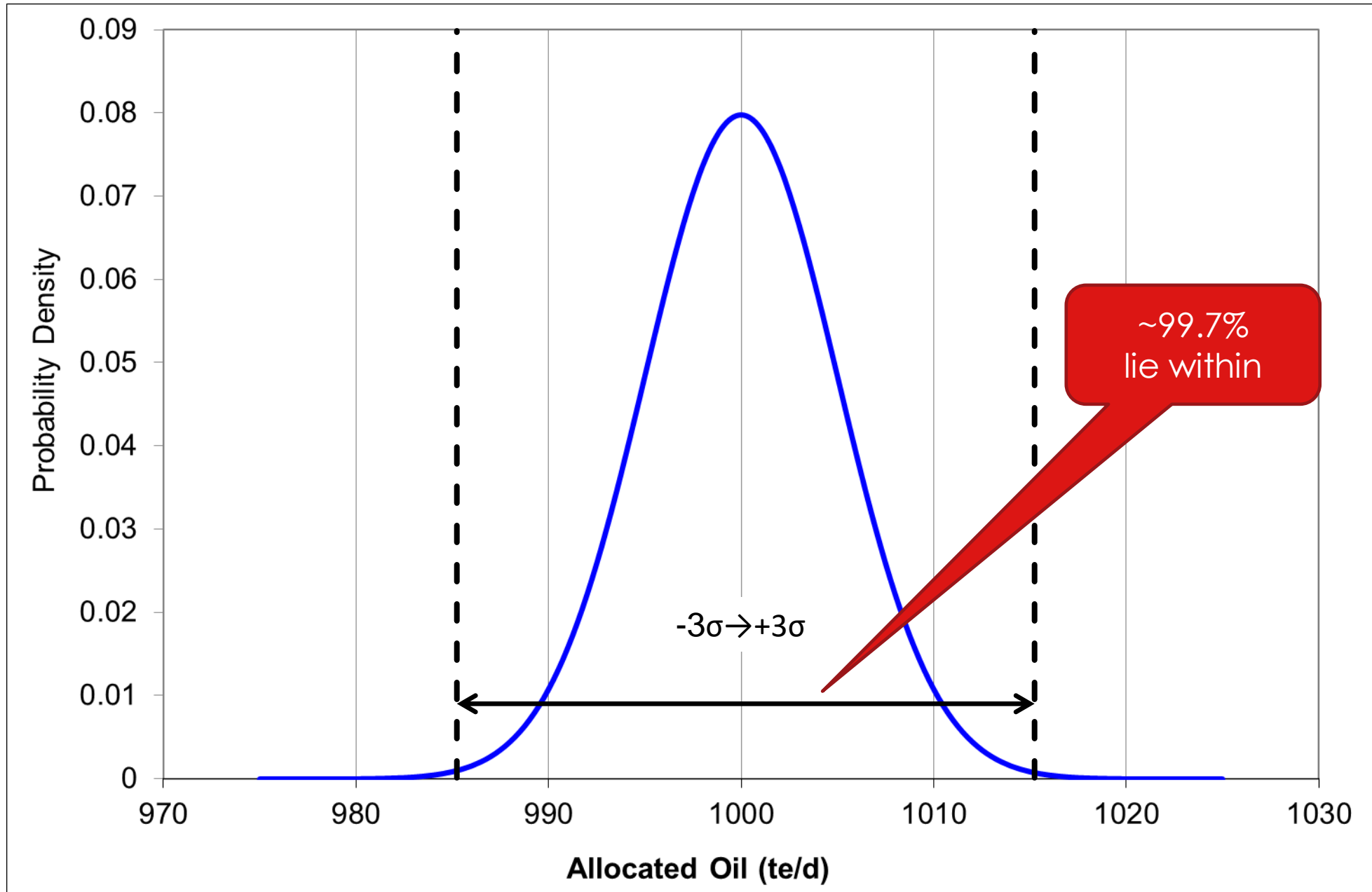
Uncertainty limit (95 % confidence level) for the measurement system and all components in the measurement system shall be according to the Norwegian Petroleum Directorate (NPD) measurement regulations and the regulations from the Norwegian Environment Agency (NEA).

Other uncertainty limits may be applicable for allocation metering systems due to sales, tie-in, processing or other agreements.

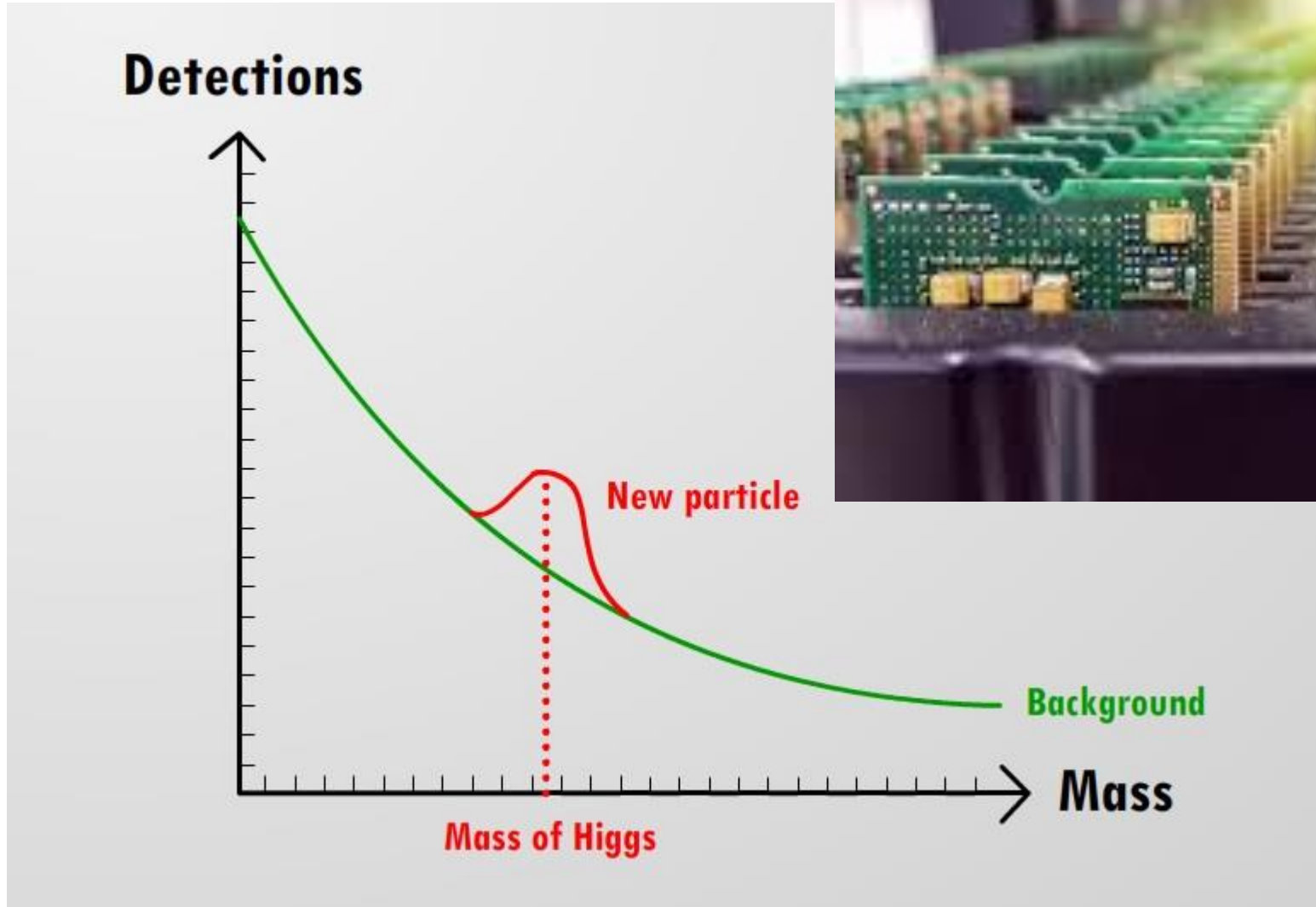
The measurement uncertainty shall be documented in accordance with ISO/IEC Guide 98-3:2008. NFOGM handbooks for uncertainty analysis is recognized method for uncertainty calculation.





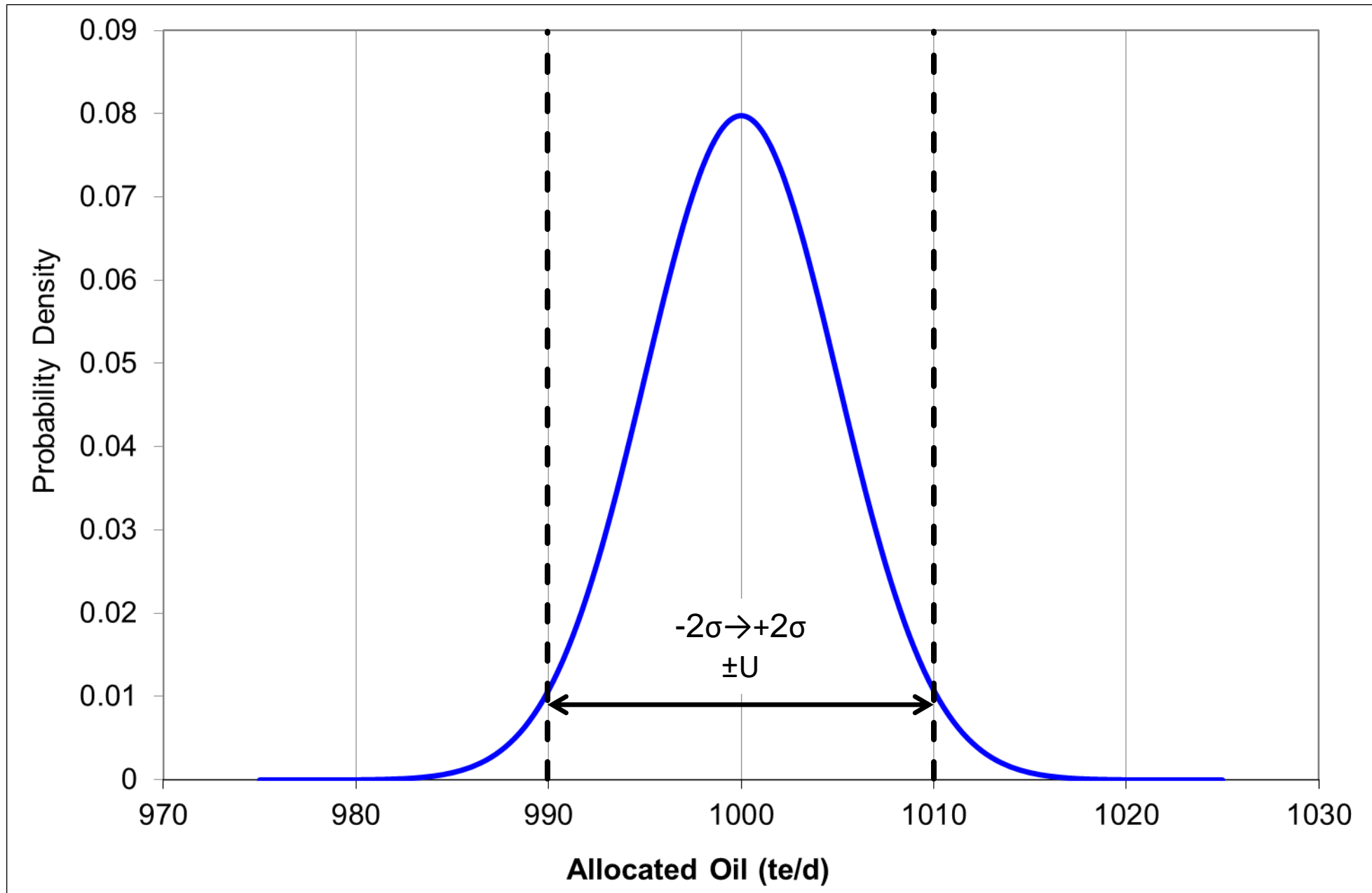


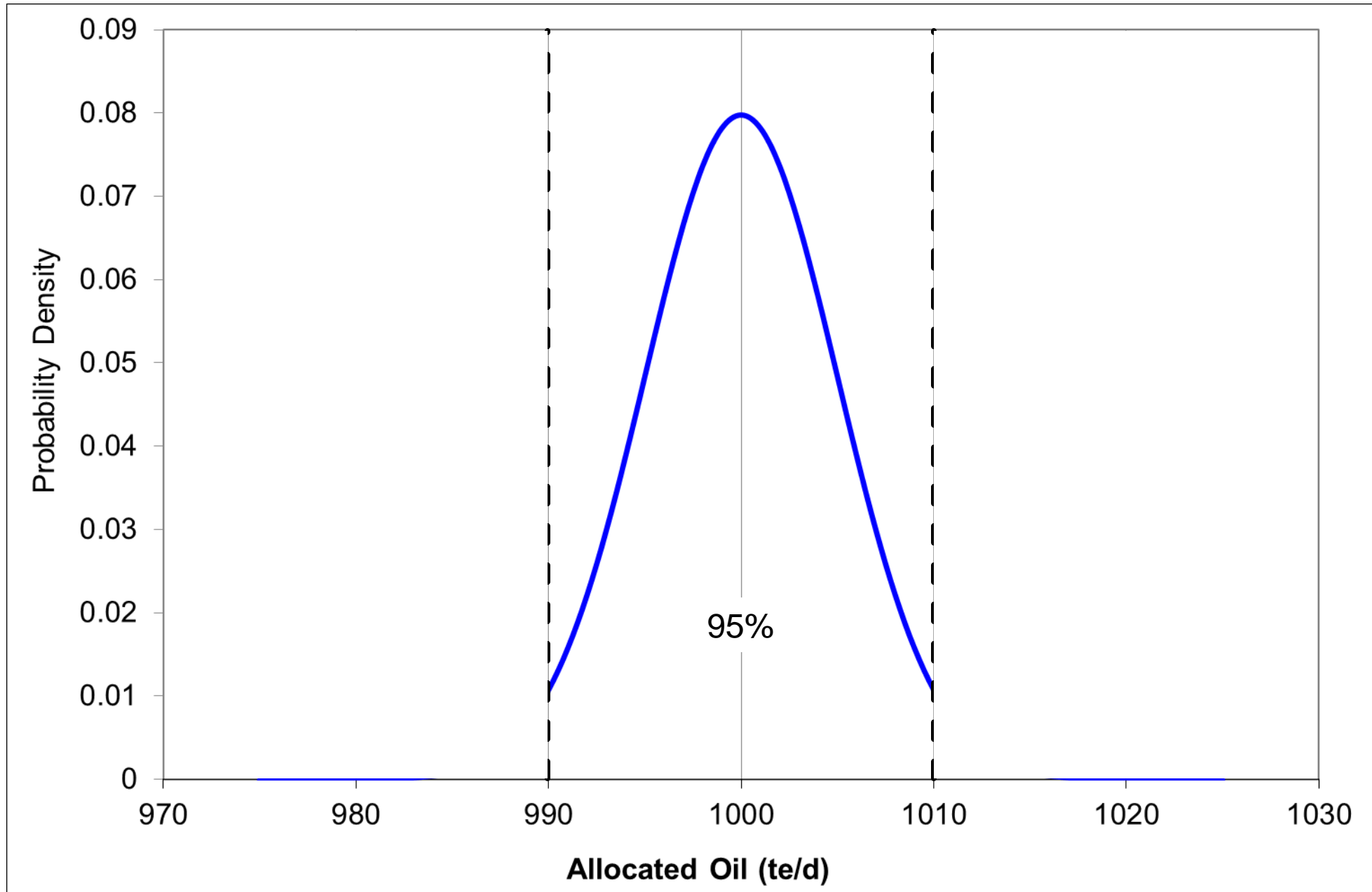
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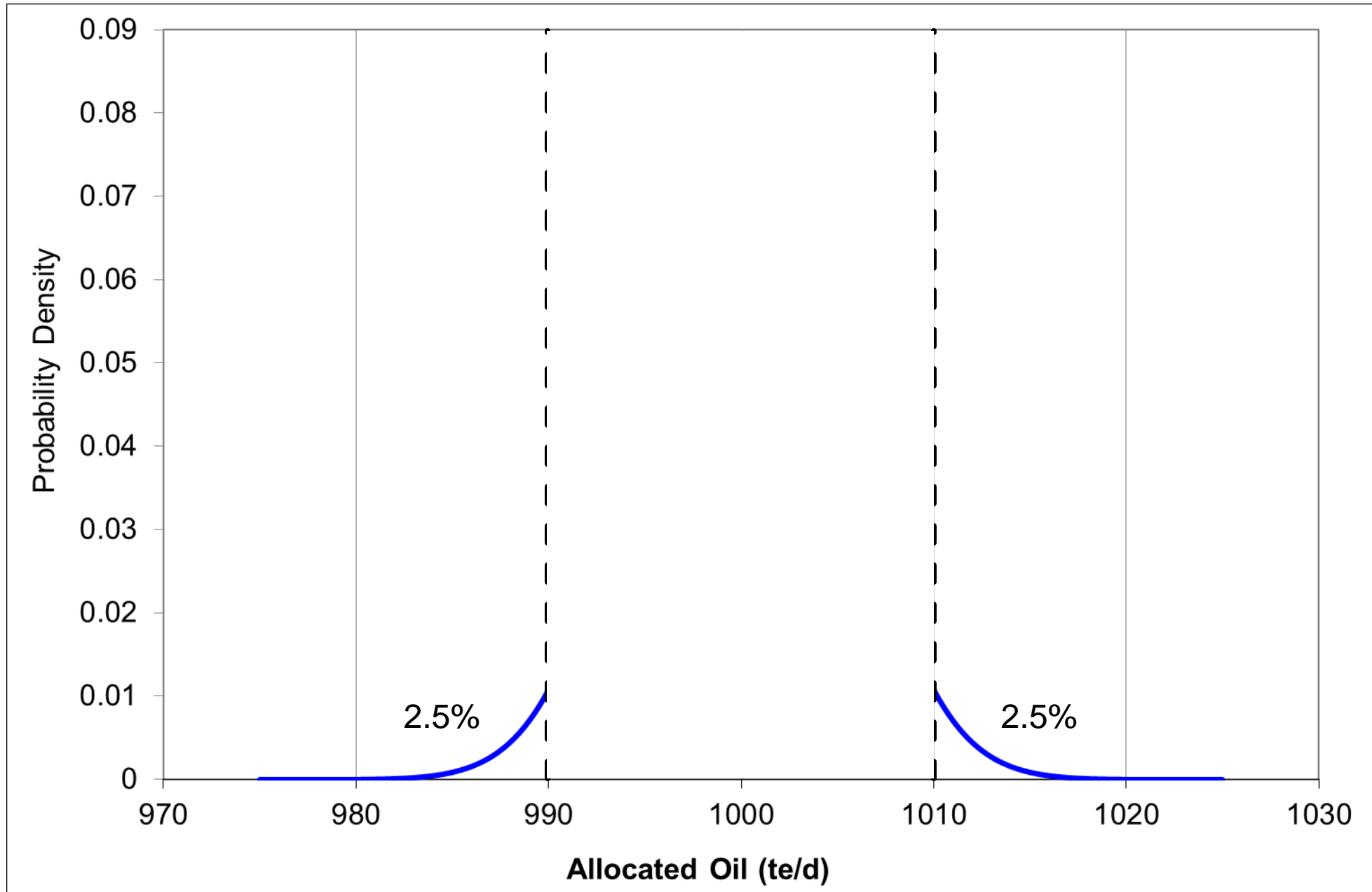


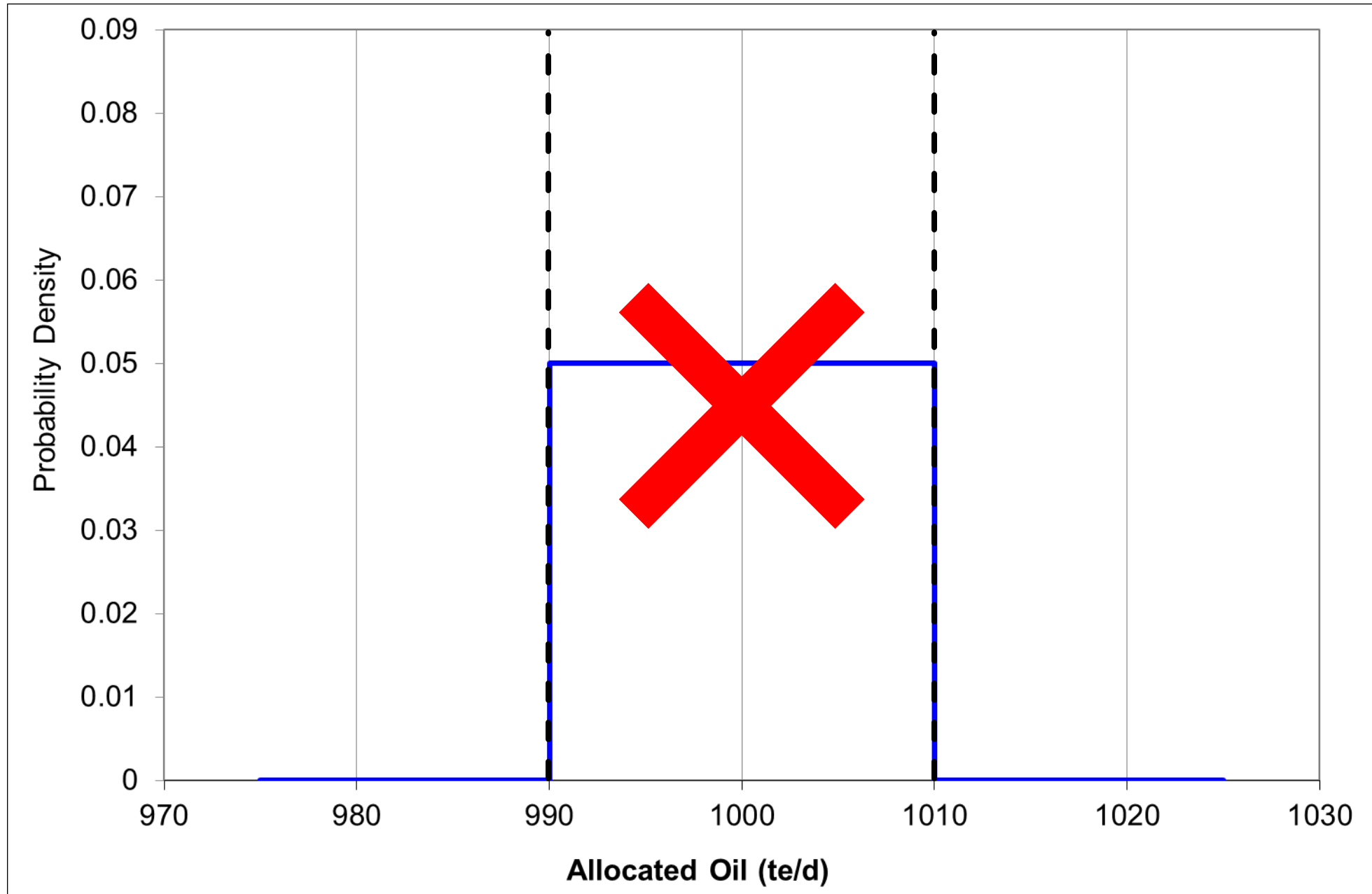
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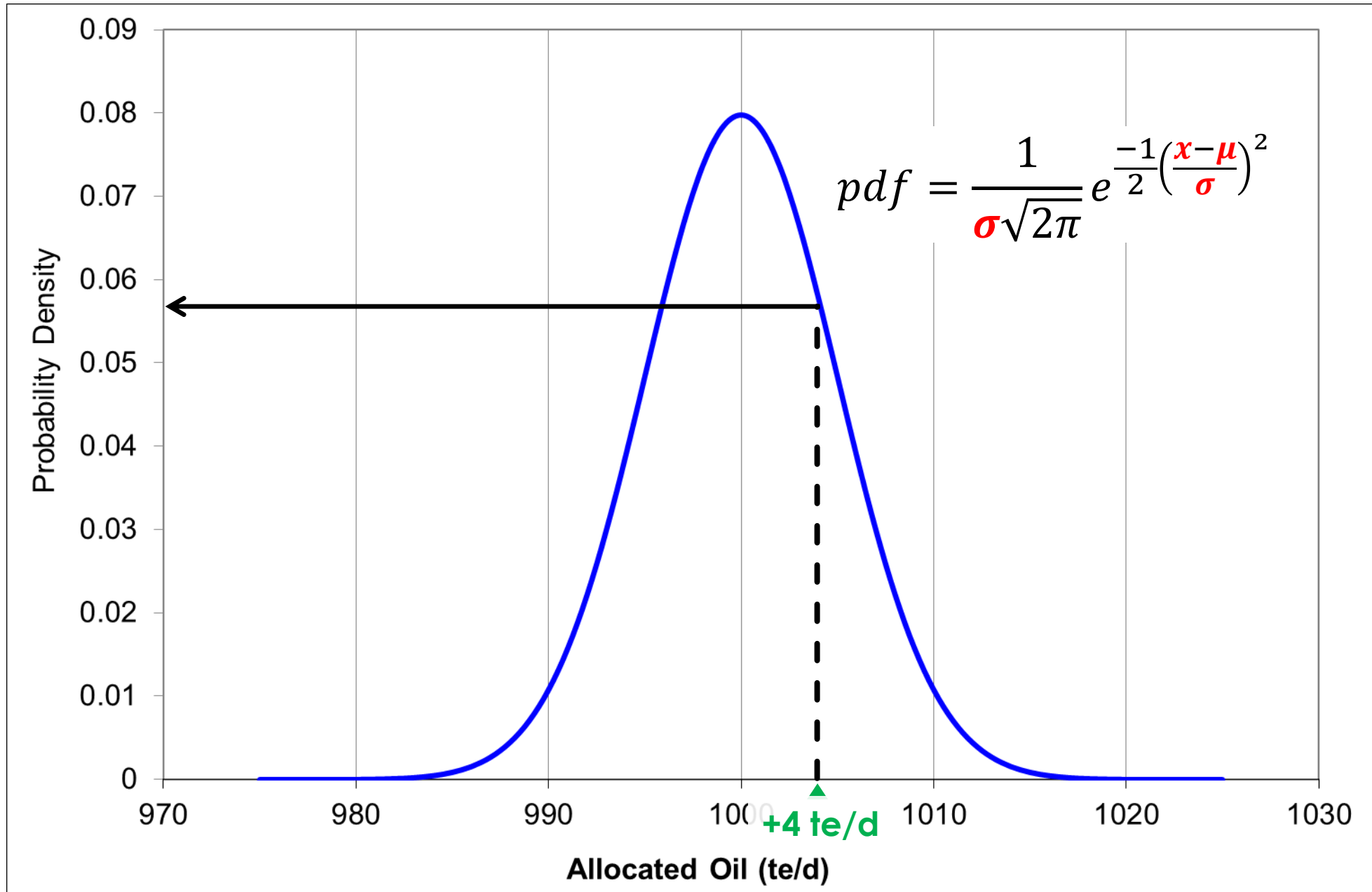












# From predicting the orbit of Ceres...

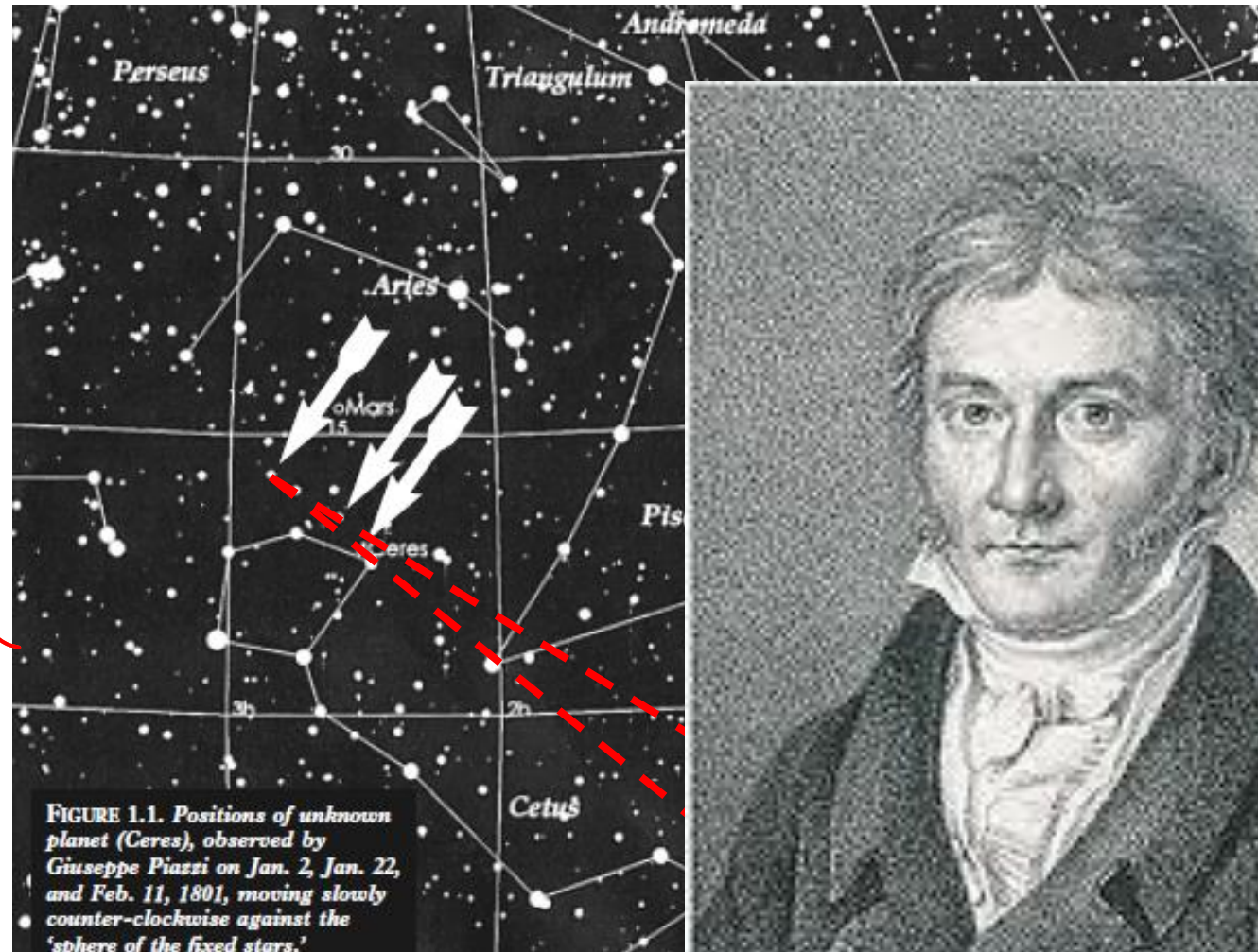
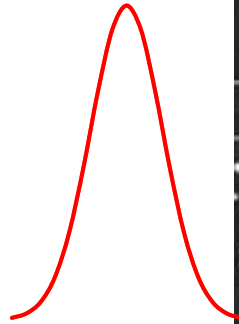
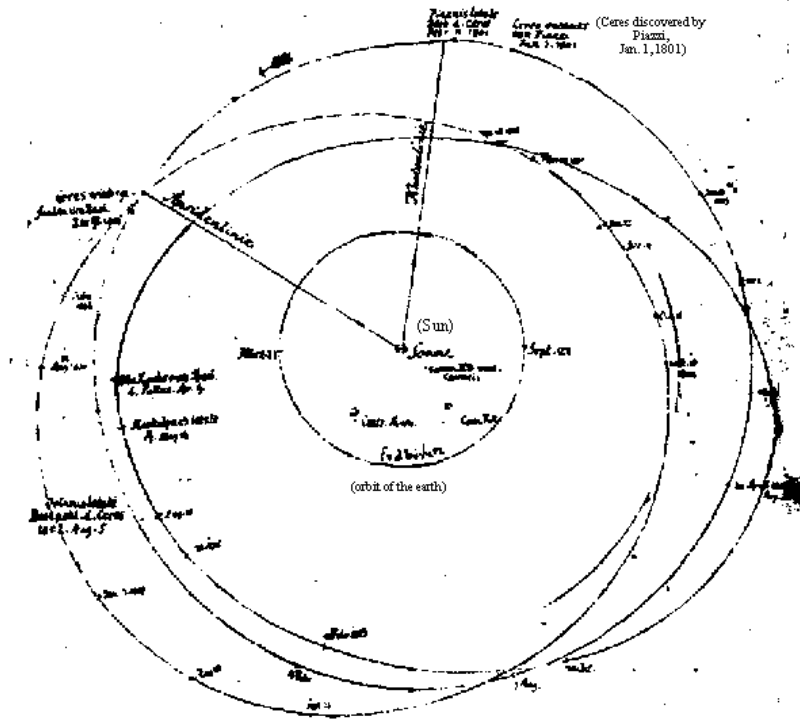


FIGURE 1.1. Positions of unknown planet (Ceres), observed by Giuseppe Piazzi on Jan. 2, Jan. 22, and Feb. 11, 1801, moving slowly counter-clockwise against the 'sphere of the fixed stars.'

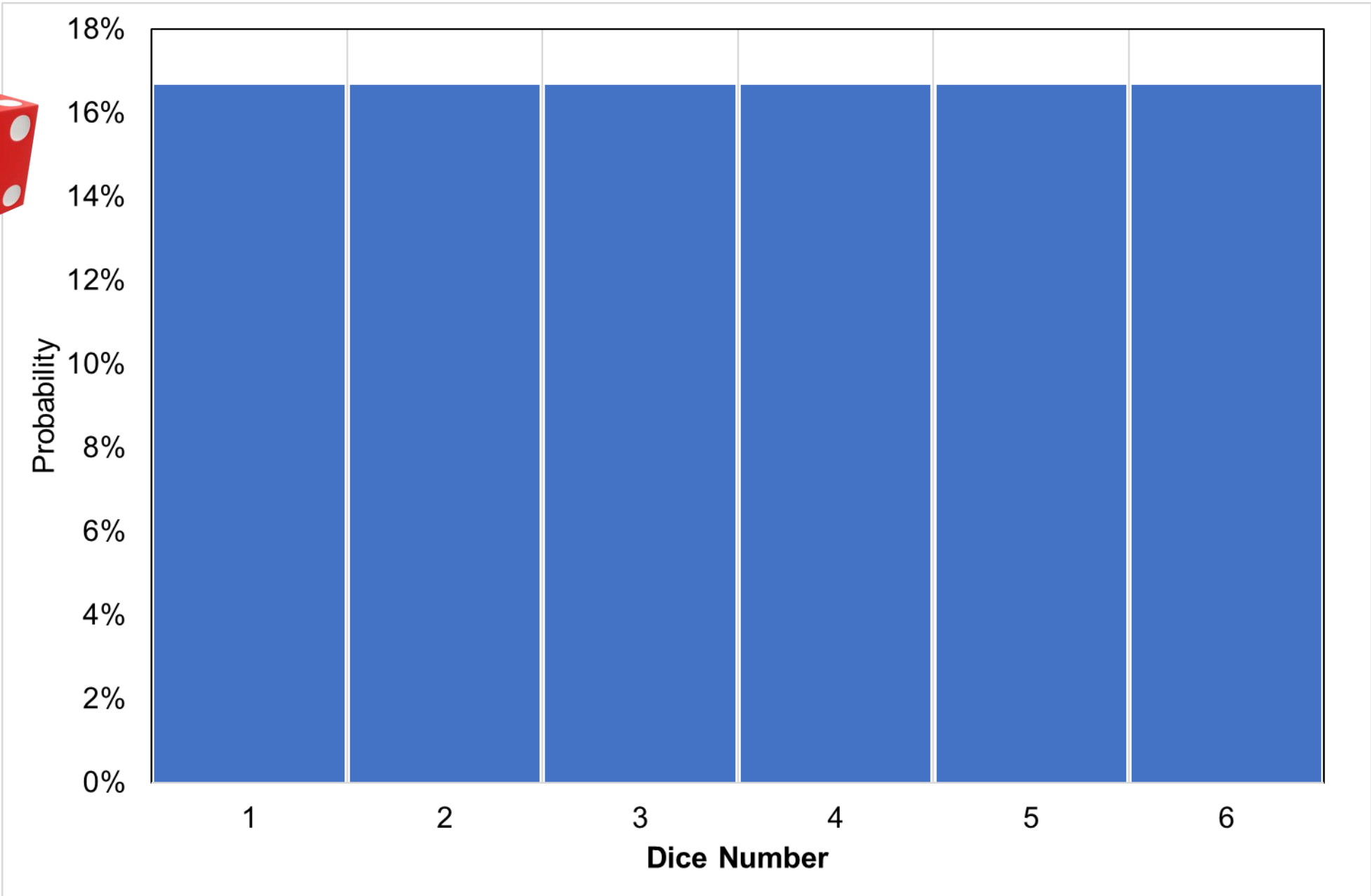


# Gauss Develops the Mathematics of Uncertainty

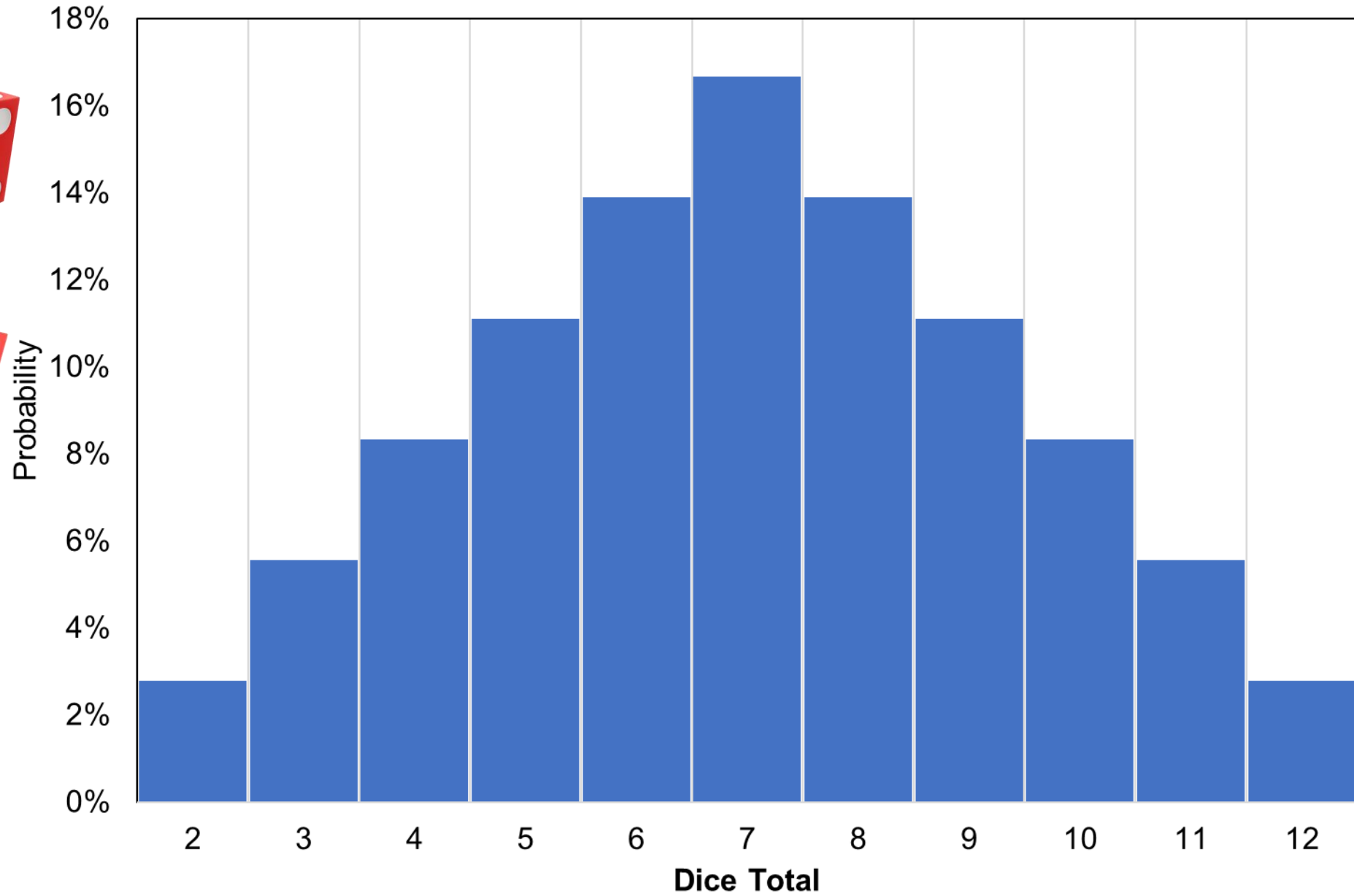


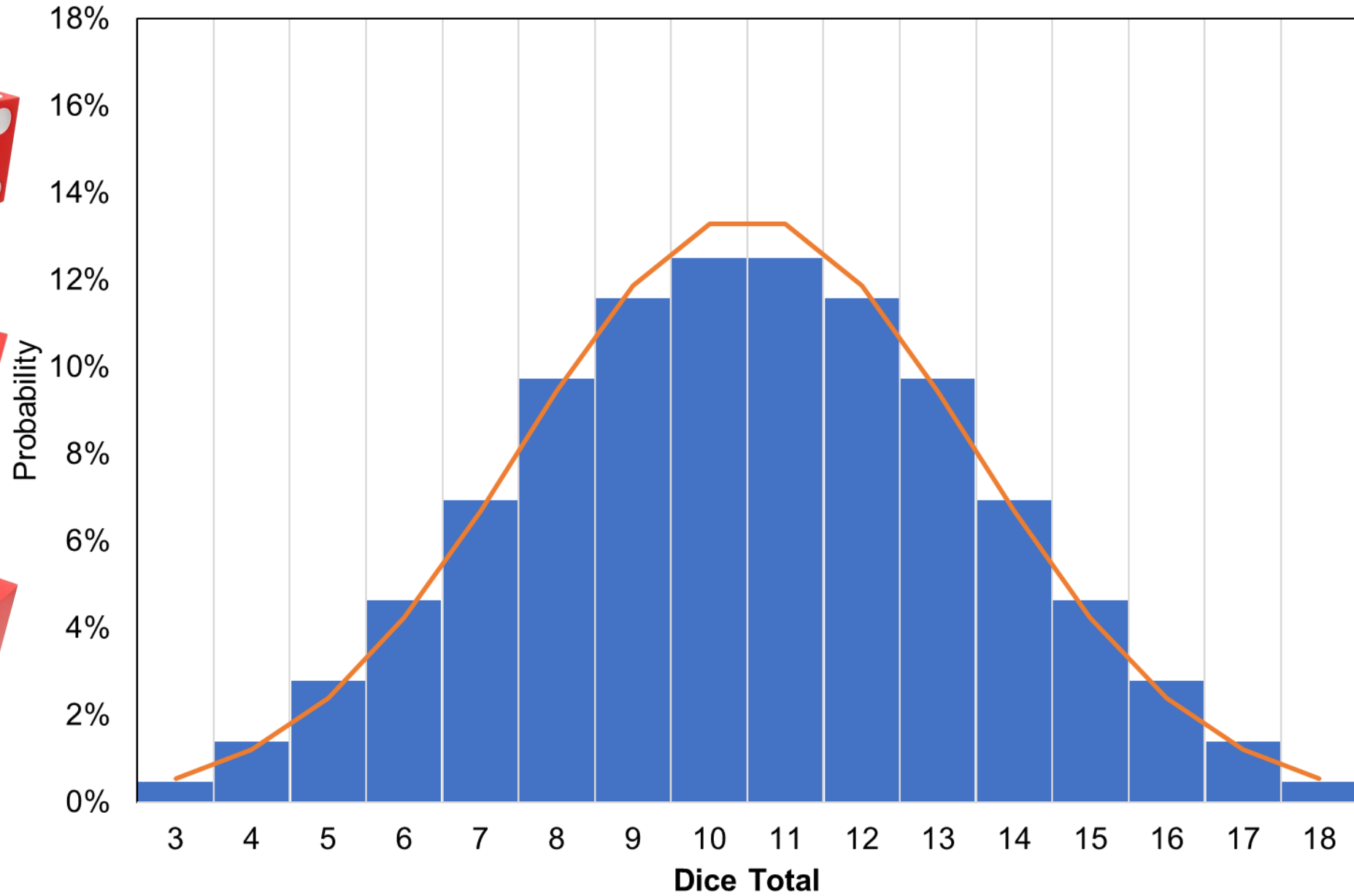
Sketch of the orbits of Ceres and Pallas (nachlaß Gauß, Handb. 4). Courtesy of Universitätsbibliothek Göttingen.





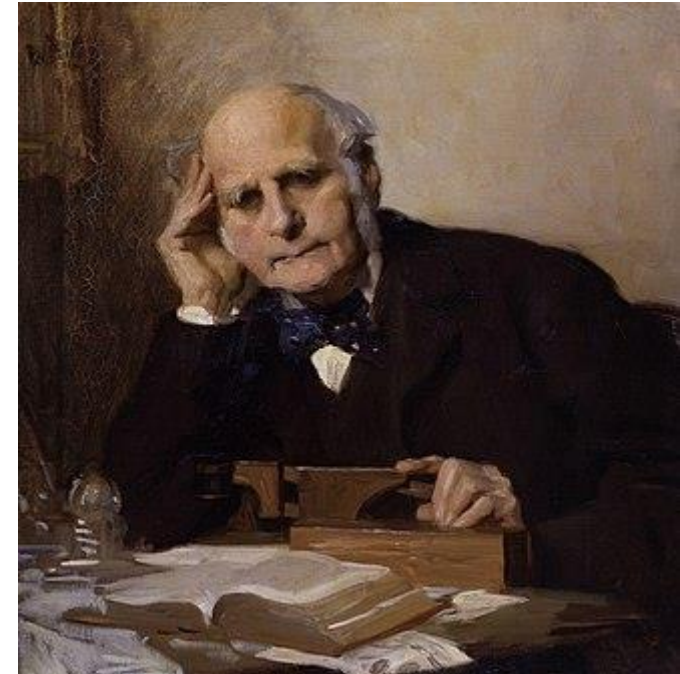






# Central Limit Theorem

*“I know of scarcely anything so apt to impress the imagination as the wonderful form of cosmic order expressed by the [Central Limit Theorem]. The law would have been personified by the Greeks and deified, if they had known of it.”*



Sir Francis Galton



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# Offered a Gamble



# Expected Value



50% chance



100% chance



50% chance

$$\text{Expected value} = 0.5 \cdot 0 + 0.5 \cdot 2 = 1 \text{ €}$$

# Utility



50% chance



1000000 €  
100% chance



50% chance

Expected value =  $0.5 * 0 + 0.5 * 2000000 = 1000000 \text{ €}$

# Utility



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900000 €  
100% chance



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# Expected Utility



Daniel Bernoulli

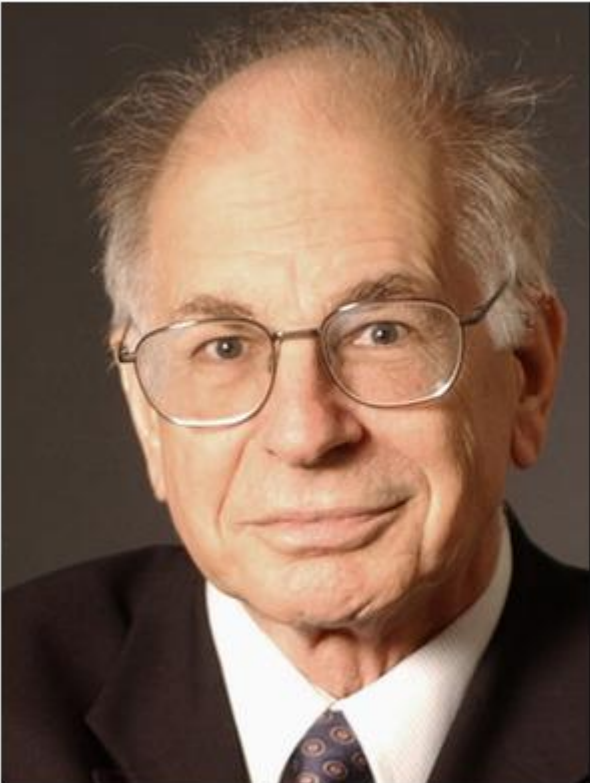


St Petersburg Paradox  
1713



Nicholas Bernoulli

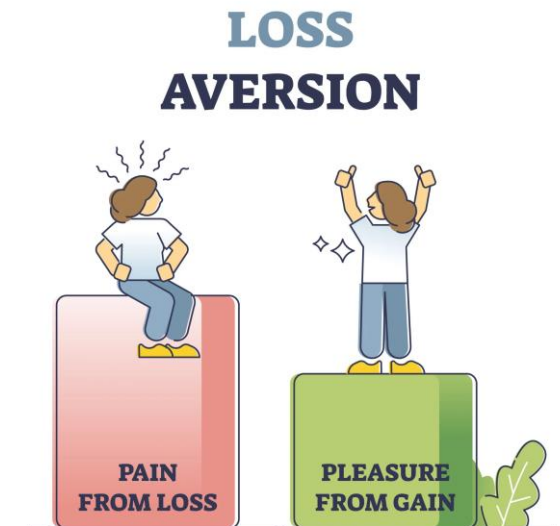
# Prospect Theory - Loss Aversion



The concept of loss aversion is certainly the most significant contribution of psychology to behavioral economics.

— Daniel Kahneman —

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Pain of loss ~ twice joy of gain



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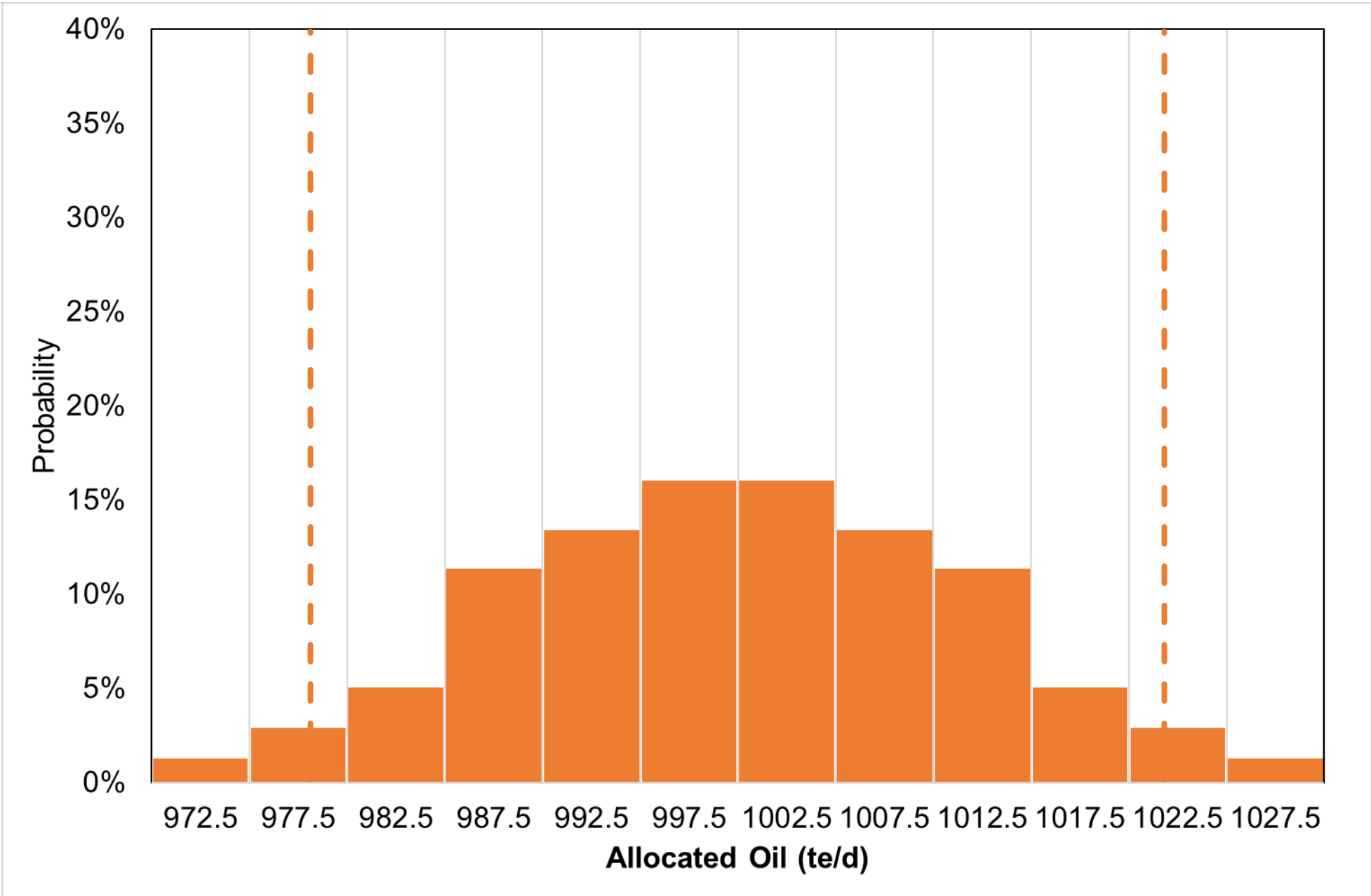
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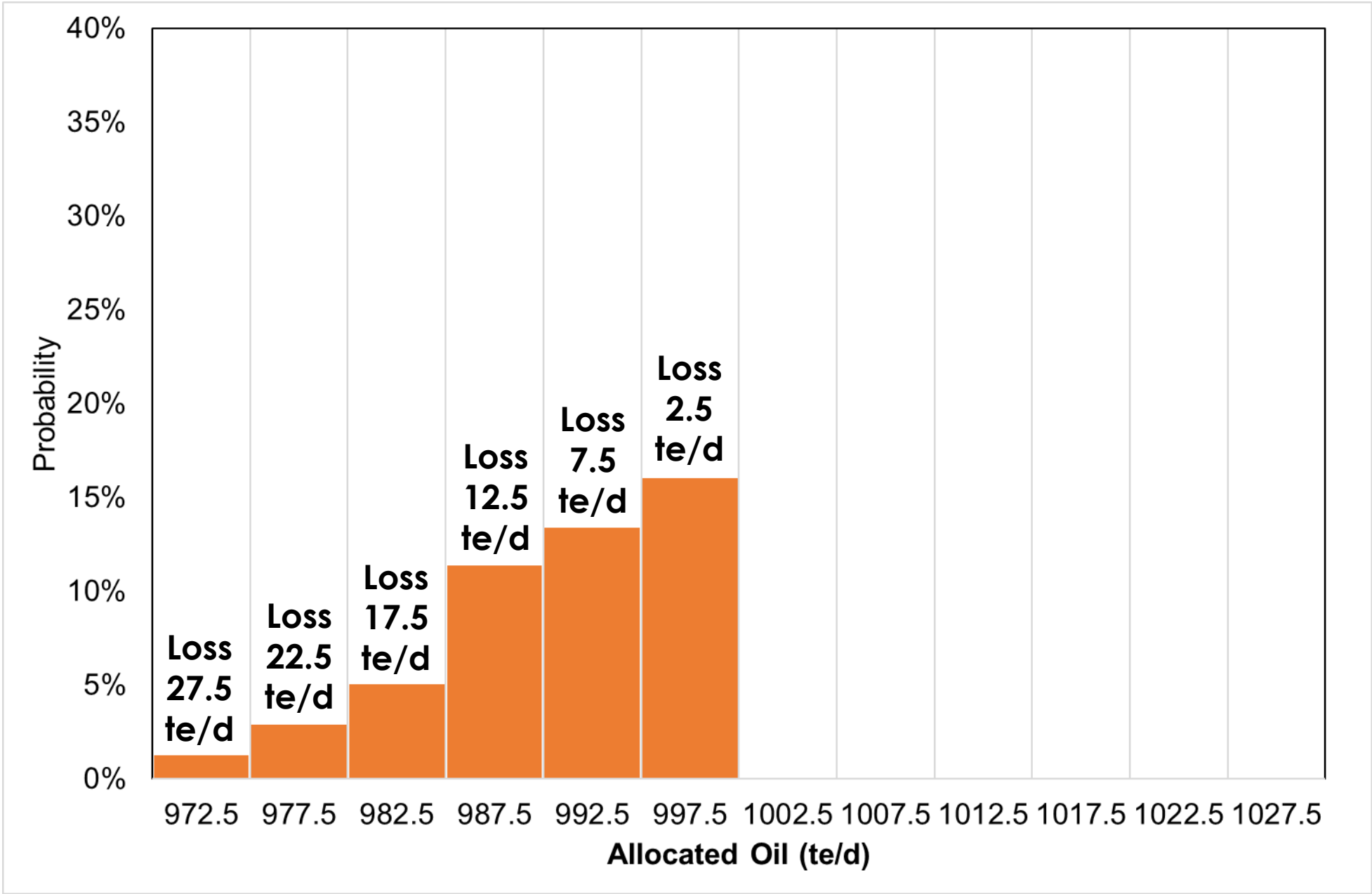


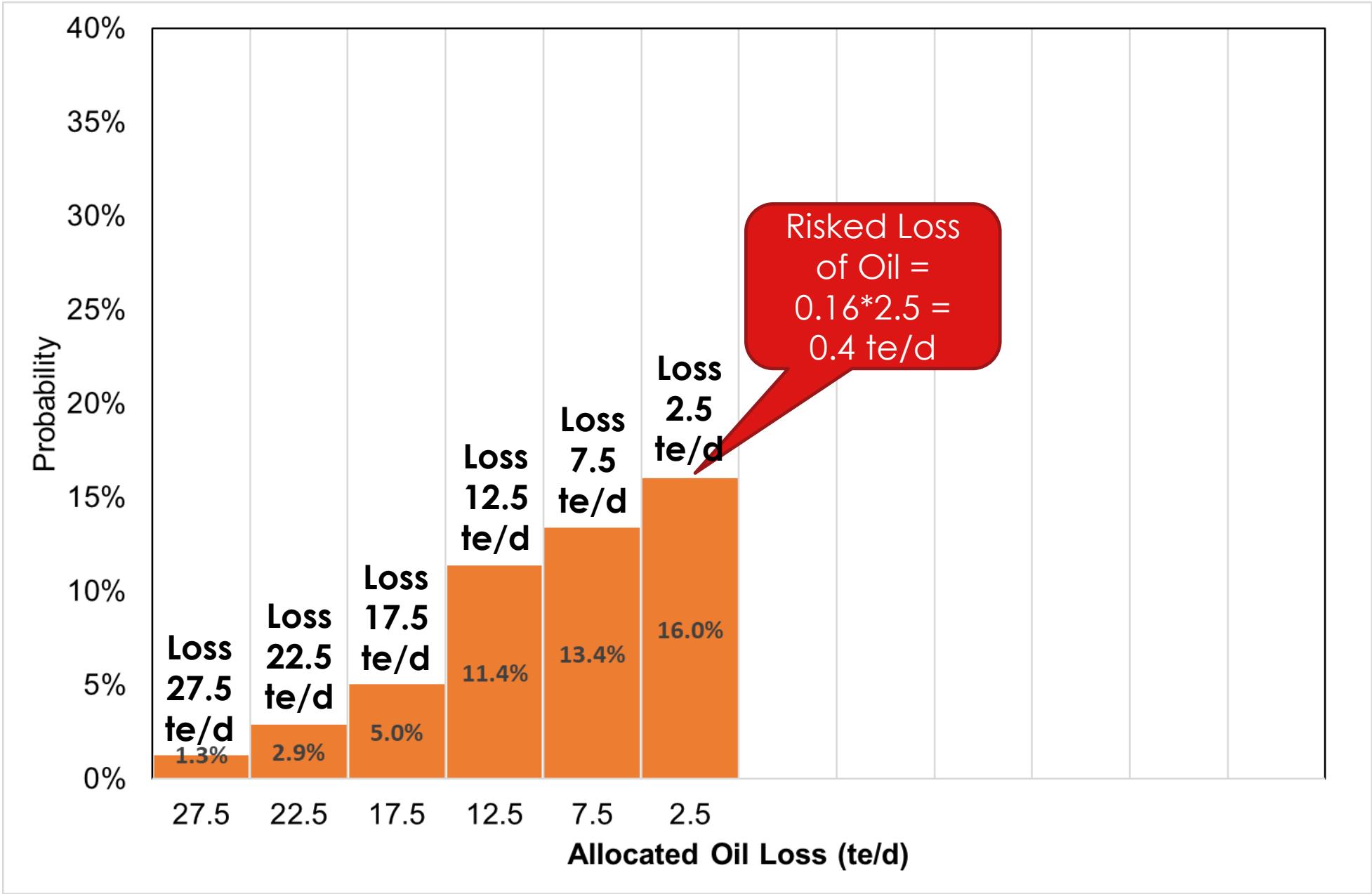
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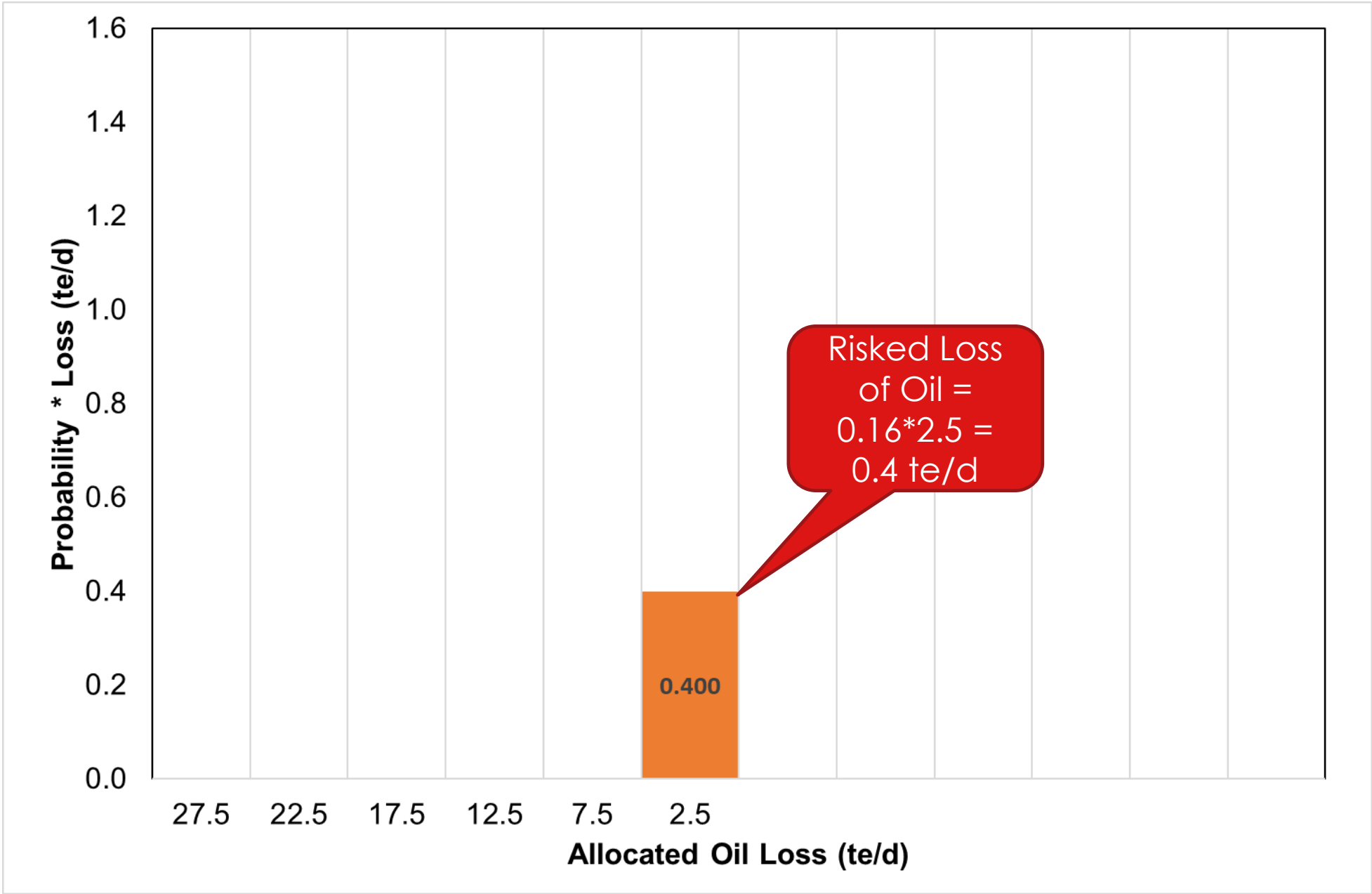


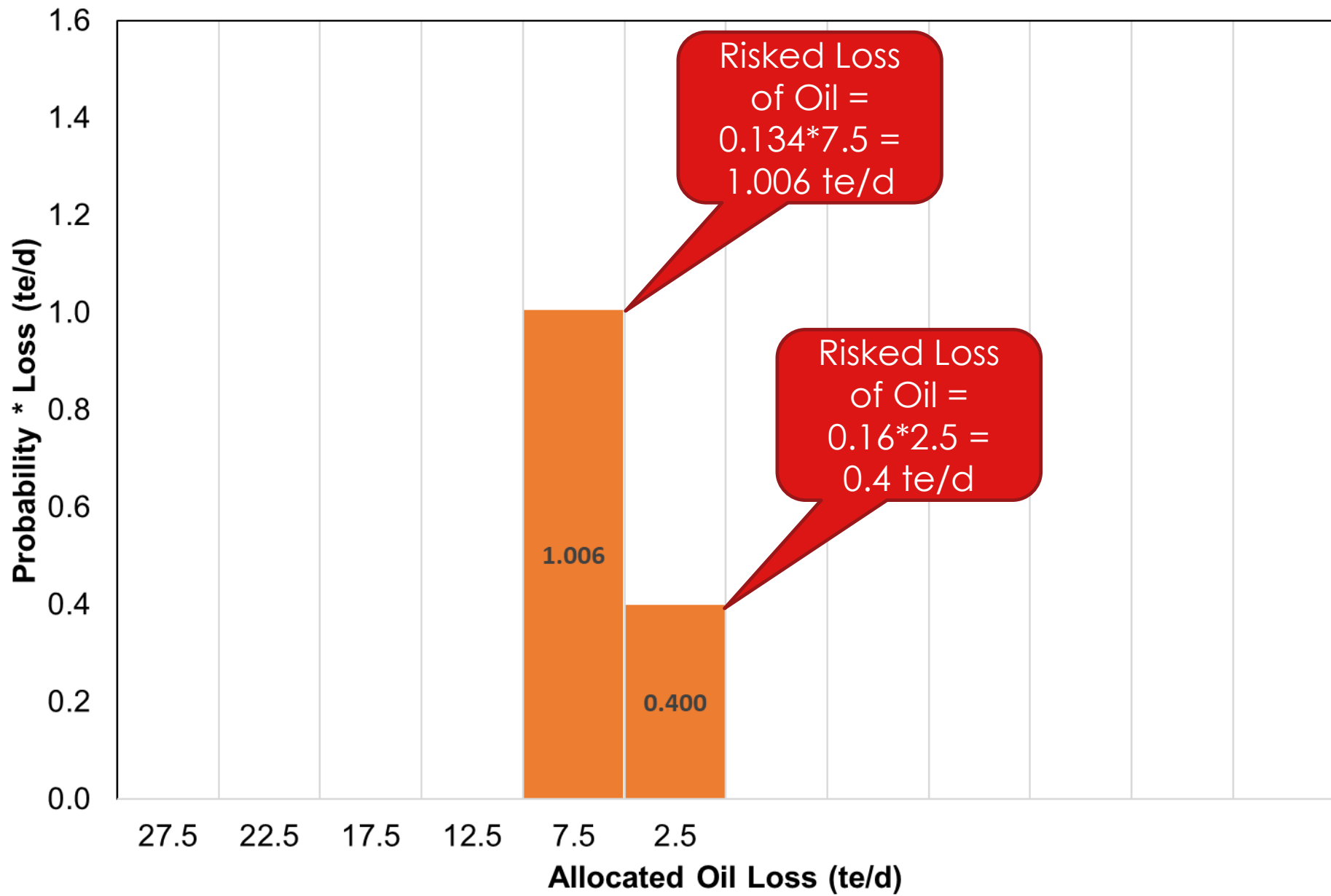
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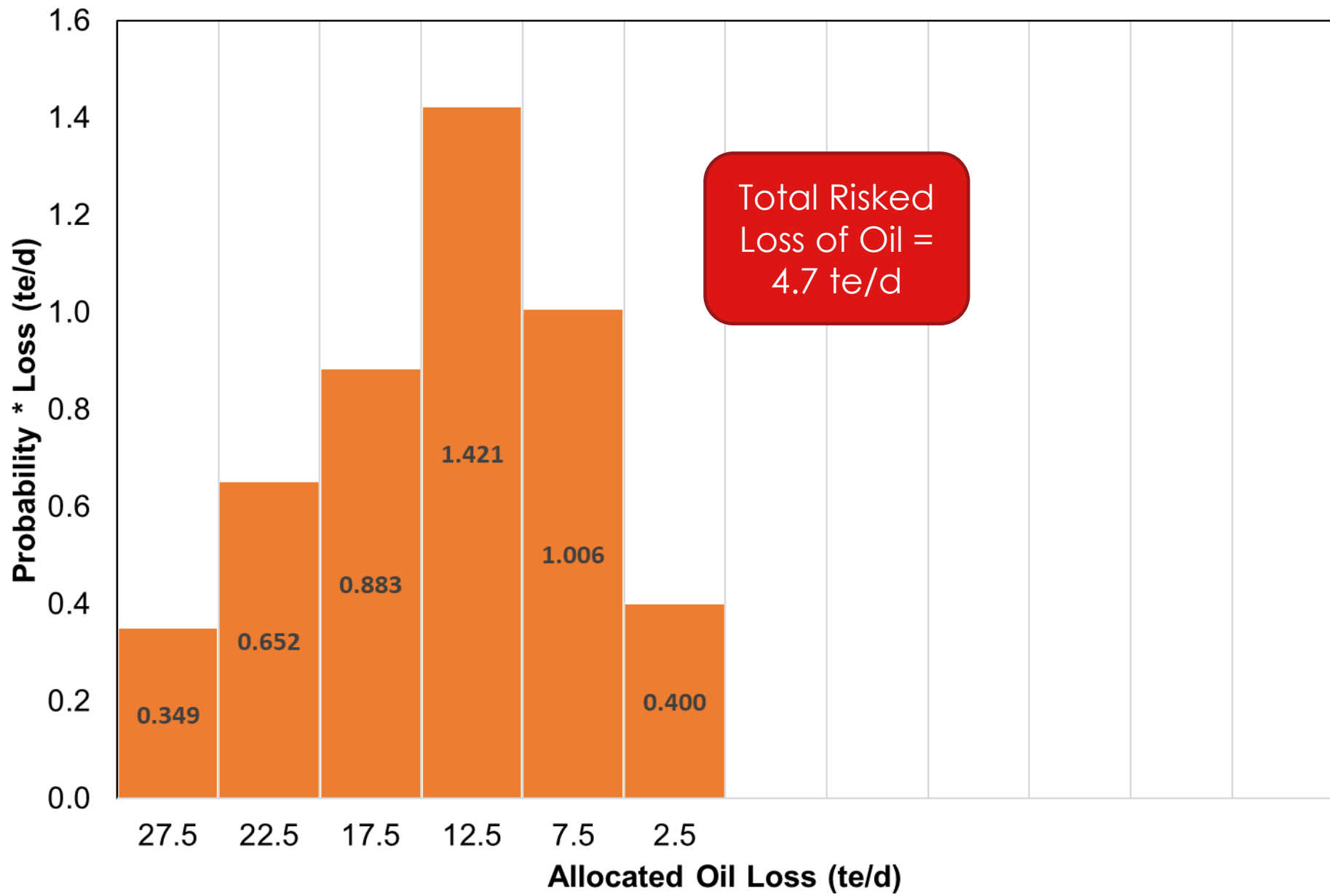


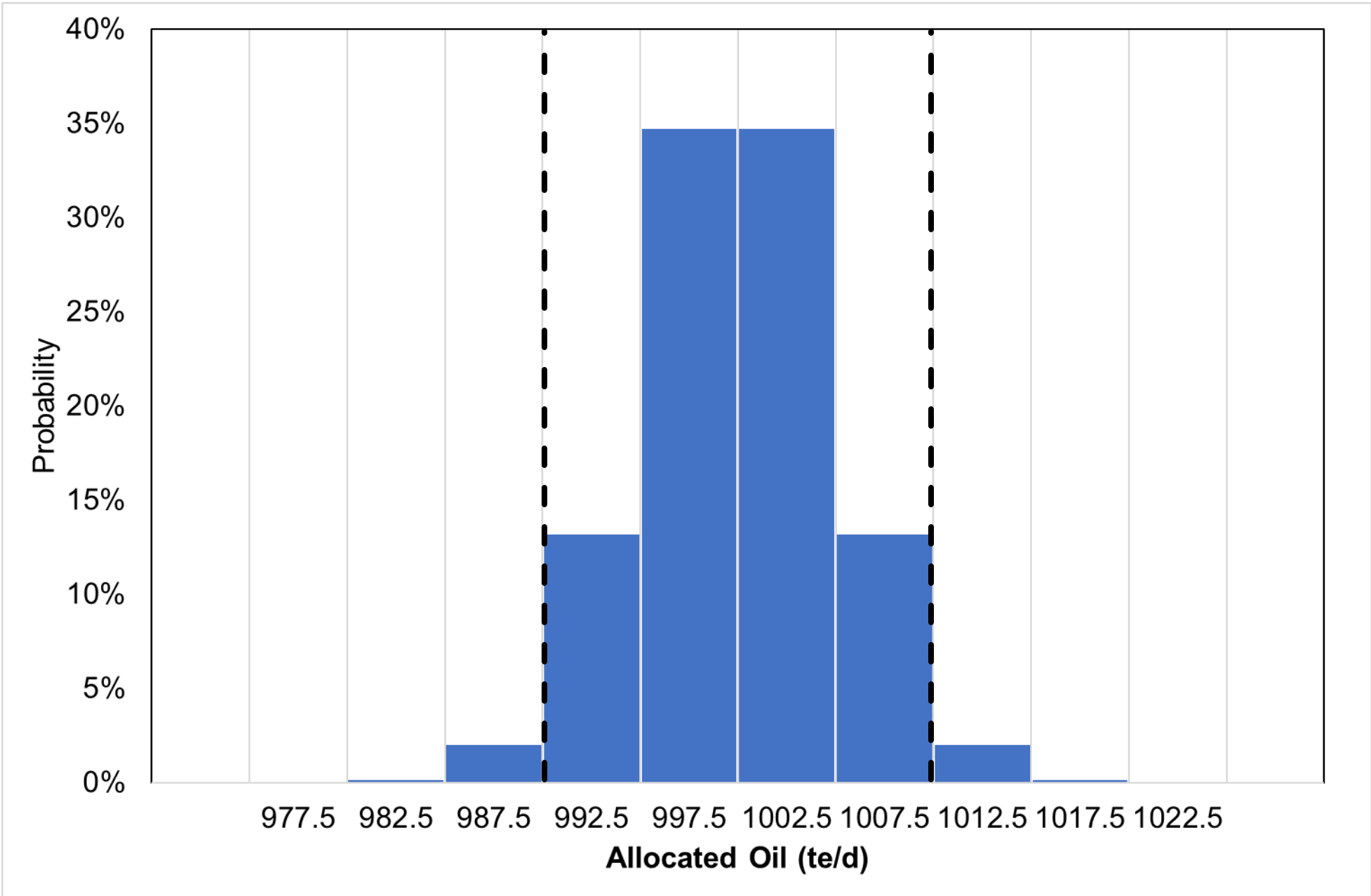


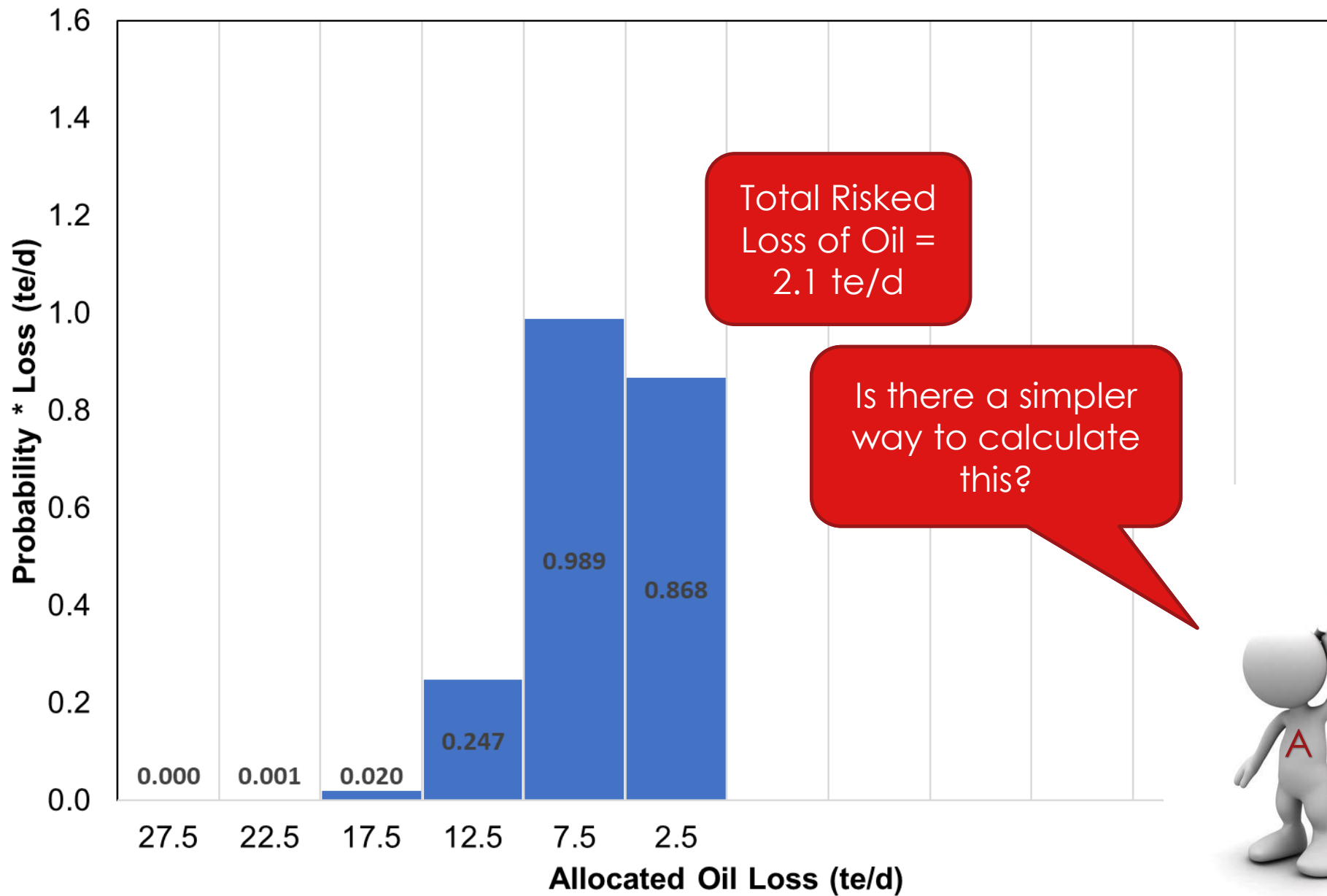


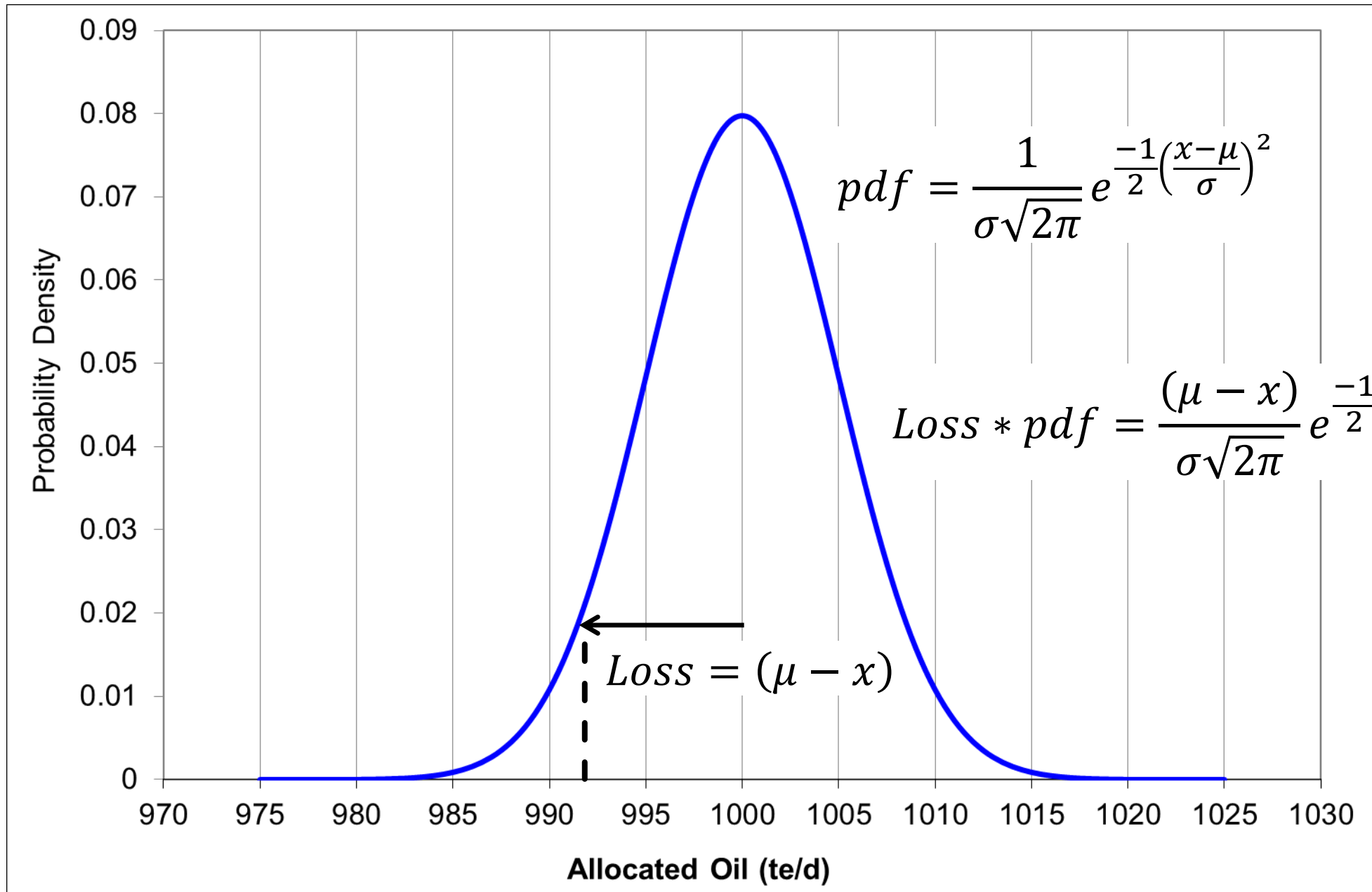


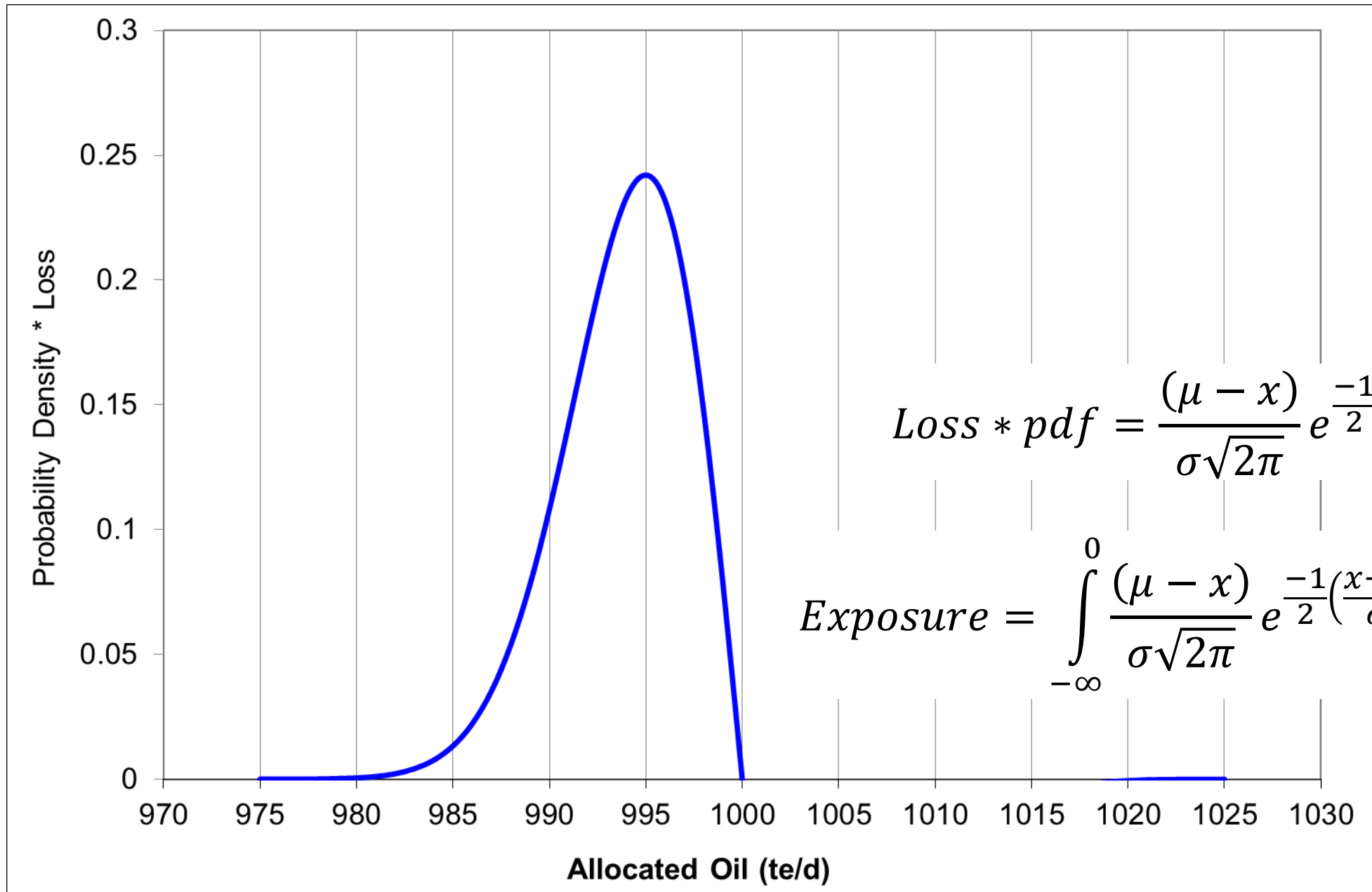


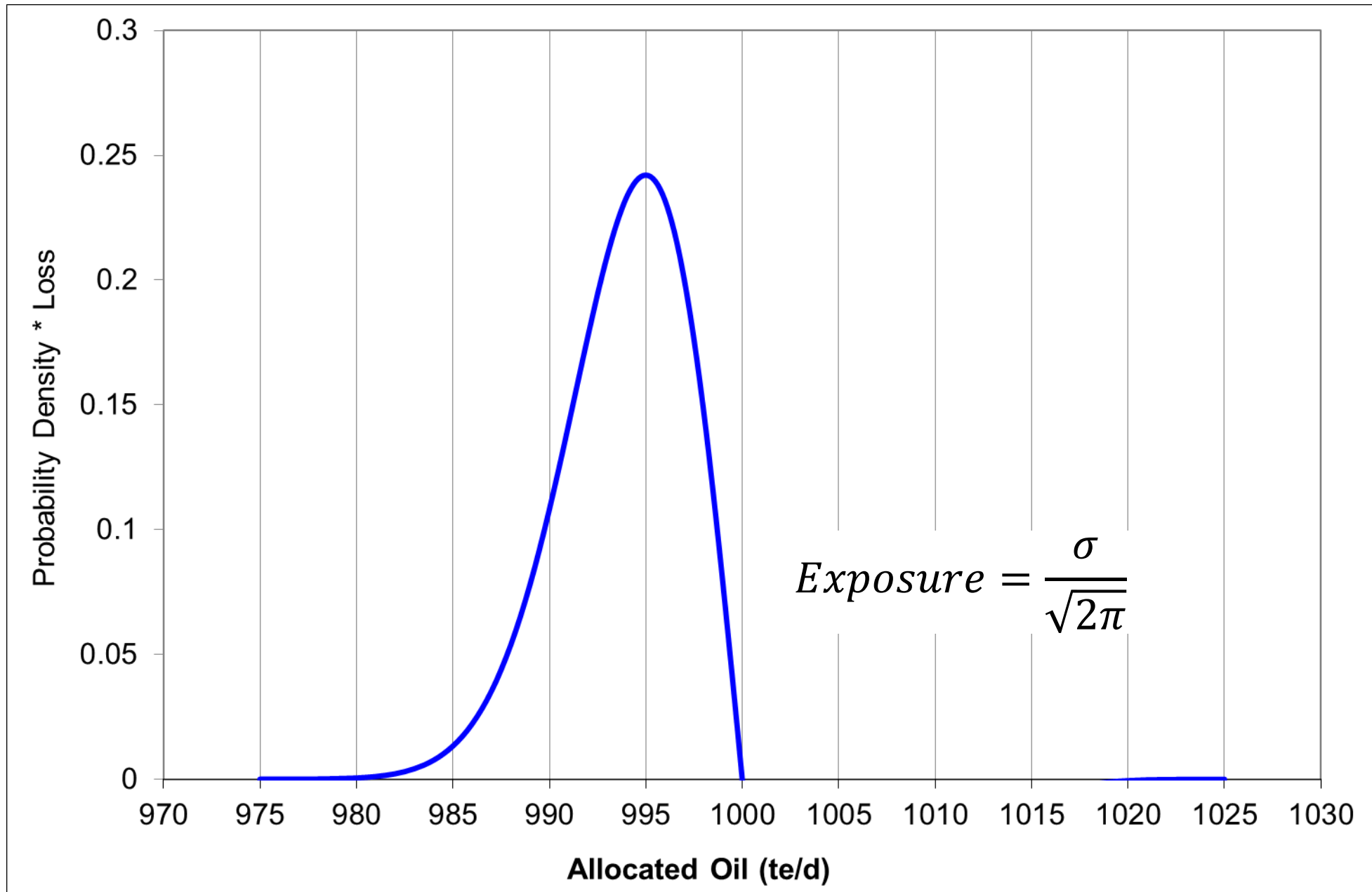


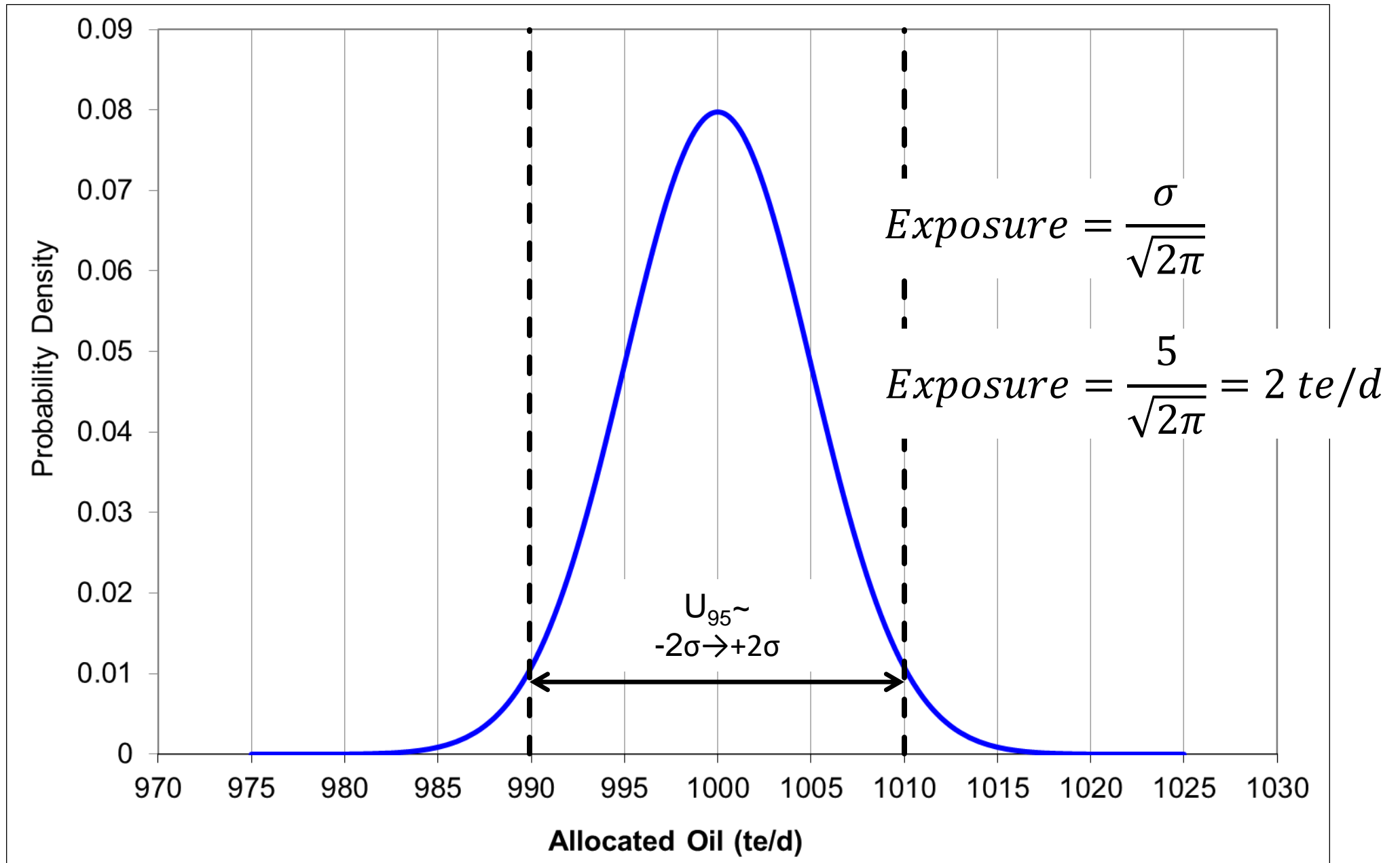


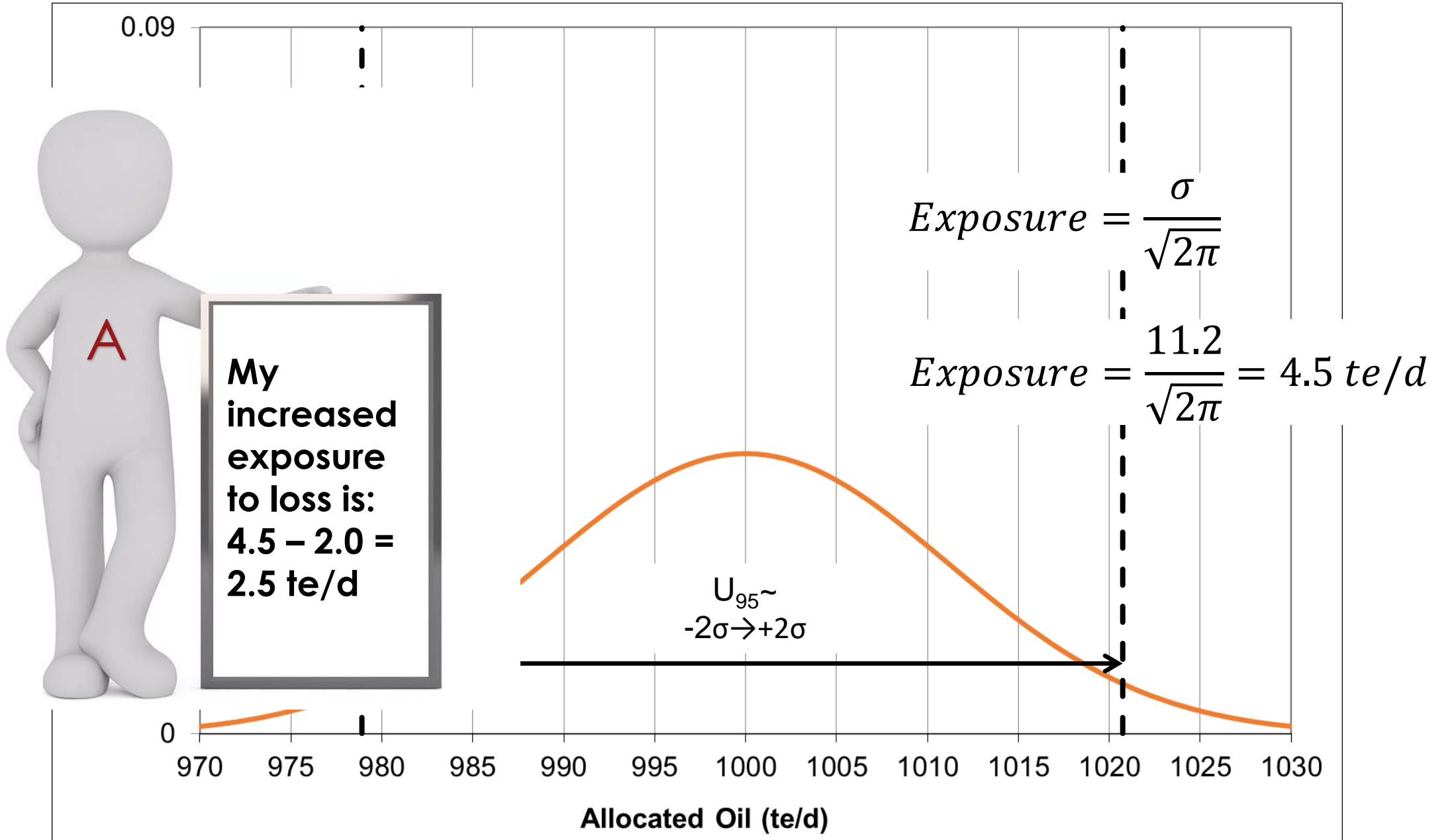














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$$\textit{Exposure to Loss} = \frac{U_k}{k\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

$$\textit{Exposure to Loss} = \frac{U_{95}}{1.96\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

$$\textit{Exposure to Loss} \sim 0.2 * U_{95}$$

# NORSOK I-106

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## **ANNEX C** **System selection criteria (informative)**

All measurements have an uncertainty. In fiscal measurement there is a risk for loss of revenue as the measured value may be lower than the true value. Concept with low measurement uncertainty has lower risk for loss of revenue than concepts with higher uncertainty. Metering systems with low uncertainty normally has higher cost than systems with higher uncertainty. The higher cost will also represent a loss of revenue.

There is a concept with low uncertainty (cost) which may be unreasonable to implement if the level of uncertainty is not acceptable.

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uncertainty  
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# UK OGA (Now NSTA) Guidelines

## 4.1 Risk-Based Maintenance Strategies

4.1.1 The OGA expects Operators of both pipelines and individual measurement stations to be open to the adoption of a risk-based approach to maintenance.

4.1.2 In such an approach, Operator experience is used to assess the likely overall effect, in terms of financial exposure, of increased uncertainty in measurement at either the primary or the secondary element, and to balance this against the cost of its mitigation by re-calibration.

4.1.3 In considering the effect of increased measurement uncertainty, it is important use

<sup>5</sup> Pashrina, N & Daniel, P. "Determination of Optimal Calibration Intervals – A Risk-Based Approach." 34th International North Sea Flow Measurement Workshop, St. Andrews 2016.

<sup>6</sup> Stockton, P. "Cost benefit analyses in the design of allocation systems." 27th International North Sea Flow Measurement Workshop, Tønsberg 2009.

<sup>7</sup> Sætre, C. et. al "A new methodology for cost-benefit risk analysis of oil metering system lay-outs." 33rd International North Sea Flow Measurement Workshop, Tønsberg 2015

<sup>8</sup> <https://info.nstano.no/documents/north-sea-flow-measurement-workshop/>

# NSFMW 2009 Paper

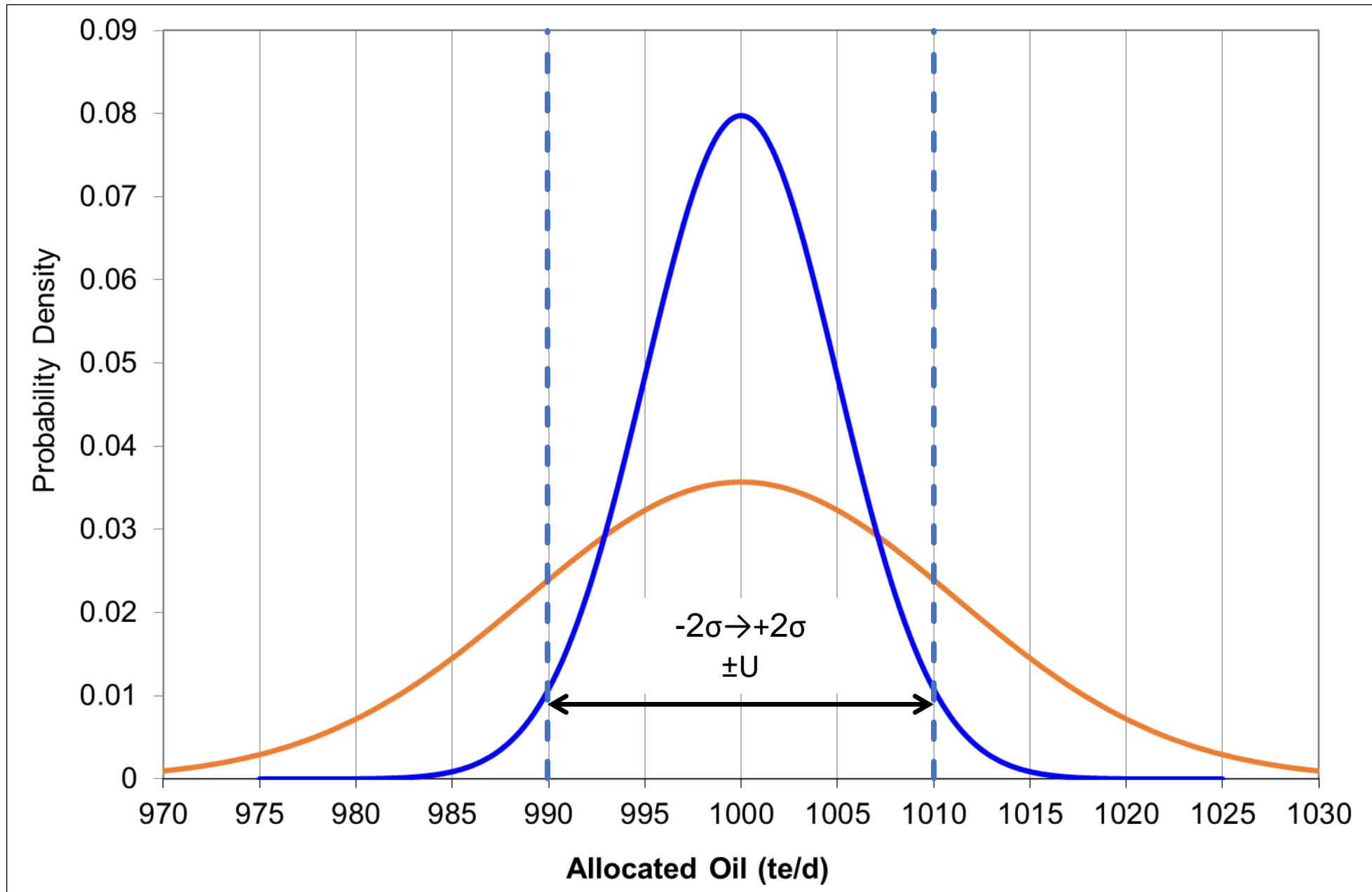
The total exposure to lost revenue is found between  $x_1$  equal to minus infinity and  $x_2$  equal to  $\bar{x}_{\text{mean}}$ . R then reduces to:

$$R = \frac{-\sigma}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \quad (10)$$

The value of L is the negative of R and can be expressed in terms of the uncertainty (equal to twice the standard deviation).

$$L = \frac{U}{\sqrt{8\pi}} \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{8\pi}} \quad (11)$$

**Only applies when U is expressed at the 95% confidence level !**





A cinematic still of Thor from the Marvel Cinematic Universe. He is shown from the chest up, wearing his iconic Asgardian armor and a red cape. He has long, wavy blonde hair and a serious expression. He is holding the hammer Mjolnir in his right hand. The background is a blurred, grey, industrial or battlefield setting.

IF THE ONLY TOOL YOU HAVE  
IS A HAMMER, YOU TEND TO  
SEE EVERY PROBLEM AS A NAIL

- ABRAHAM MASLOW



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Conclusions



Compensation for increased allocation uncertainty



Allocation uncertainty Normally distributed



Loss aversion



Developed equation from first principles



Calculate risk of loss in allocation systems



Stockton factor





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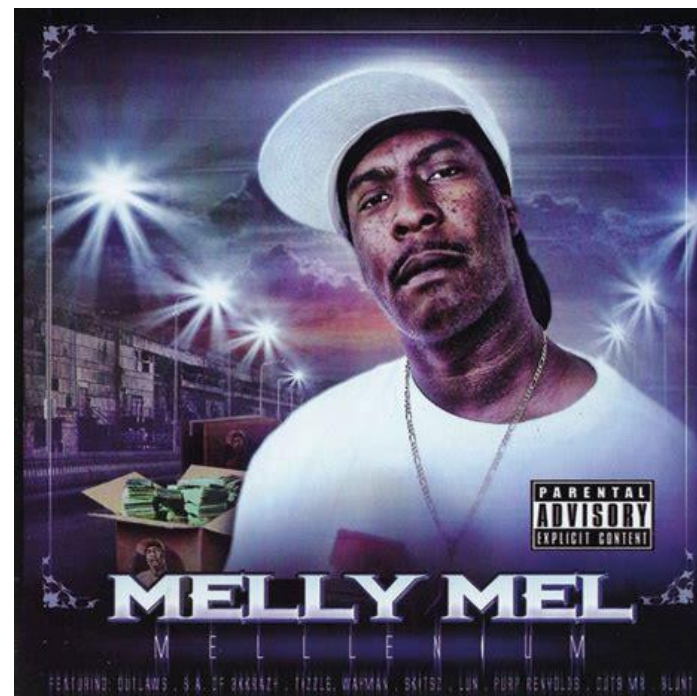
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