

Allocation 101

(Allocation System Uncertainty)

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Value Realisation

- What is it & what does it mean

□ In simple terms:

- How much (and what) we have produced?
- How much it's worth?
- Who gets paid for it?

□ Financial “Top Line”



Value Realisation

- How do we do it?
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☐ Measurement

- Quantity measurement
 - Mass (tonnes, kg)
 - Volume (Sm³, kSm³, bbls)
- Quality measurement
 - Oil sampling & distillation analysis (boiling point fractions)
 - Gas composition (N₂, CO₂, C₁, C₂...)
 - Impurities (H₂S, sulphur, wax)

☐ Allocation

- What happens after measurement...

Value Realisation

- Measurement uncertainty



**Measurement
uncertainty**



**Revenue
uncertainty**

? ? **Sm³** ? ?



? ? **\$\$\$** ? ?

? ? **kg** ? ?

? ? **£££** ? ?

Measurement vs Allocation

- What's the significance?
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- Measurement uncertainty receives a high focus (rightly so)
- However, what do we actually get paid on?
- What value are we realising?
 - Measured value? 
 - Allocated value? 

Value Realisation

- How do we really do it?
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Additional inputs into allocation system

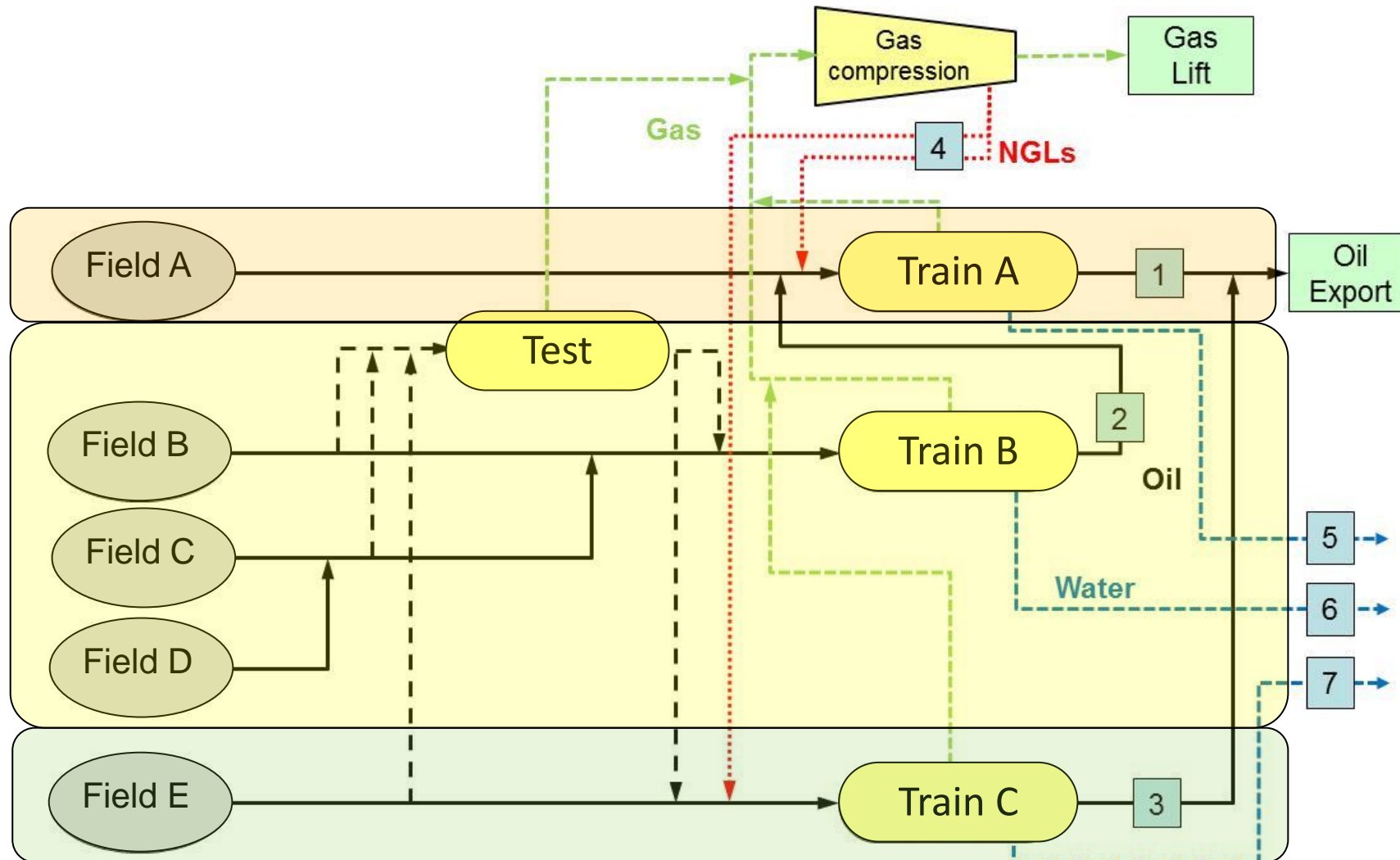
- Estimates (i.e. well tests)
- Parameters (i.e. process model factors)

Allocation methods

- Data “manipulation”
- Process models
- Mis-measurements
- Commercial agreement terms

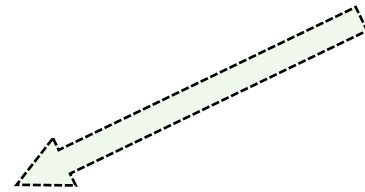
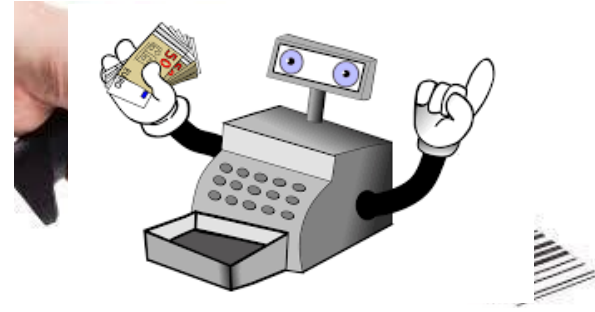
Example allocation system

- How do we realise value here?



Measurement system is a cash register...

- But is it really?



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Value Realisation

- Where is the real uncertainty?
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Uncertainty in the allocated values?

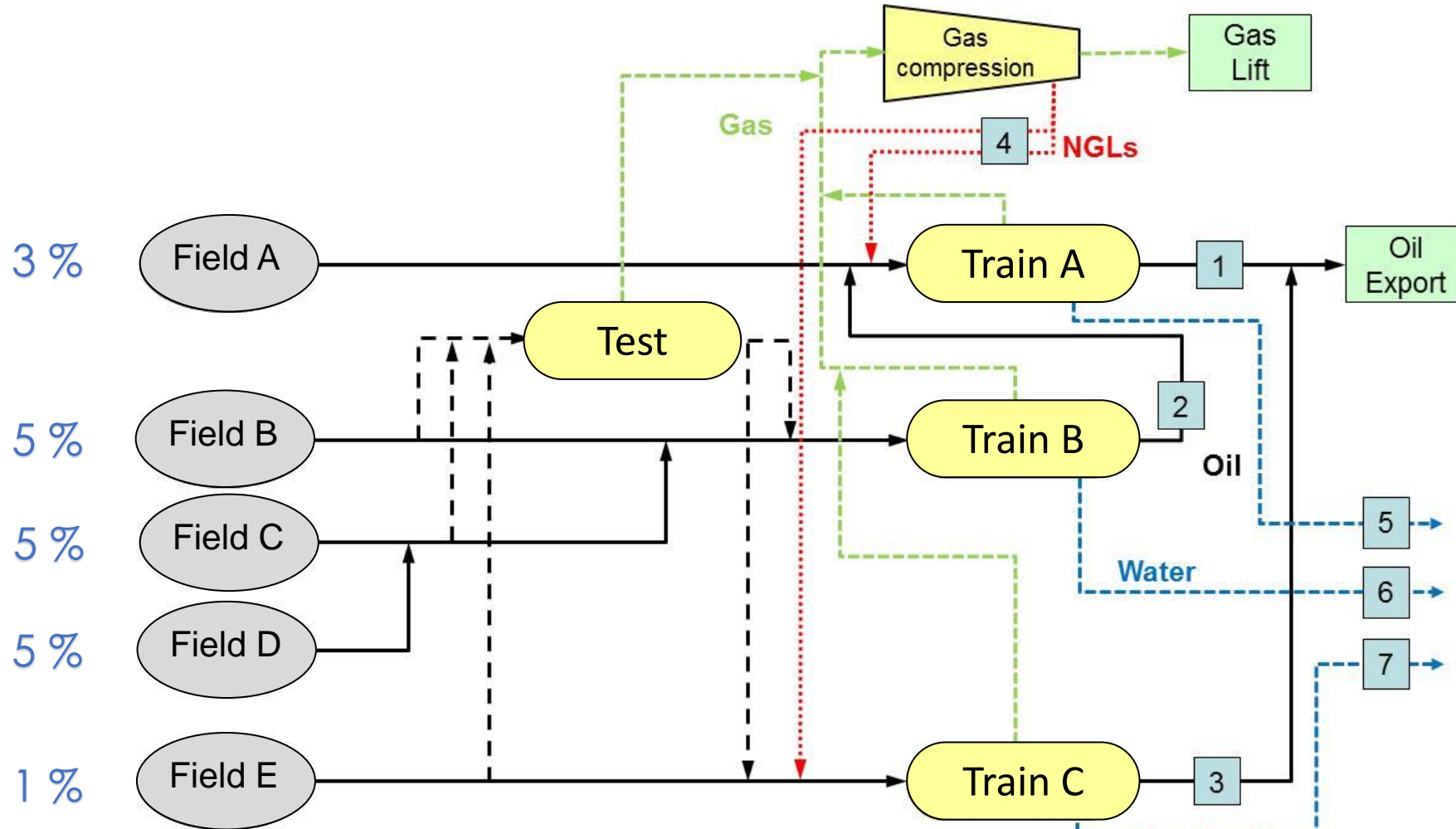
- Requires a detailed model of the allocation system
- Detailed understanding of inputs and uncertainties

Must account for:

- Allocation method (adjustments, reconciliations, etc.)
- Correlations (measurements, assumptions, etc.)

Example allocation system

- Allocated uncertainty will vary



Revenue uncertainty

- OK that's field level, but what about Owners (equity)
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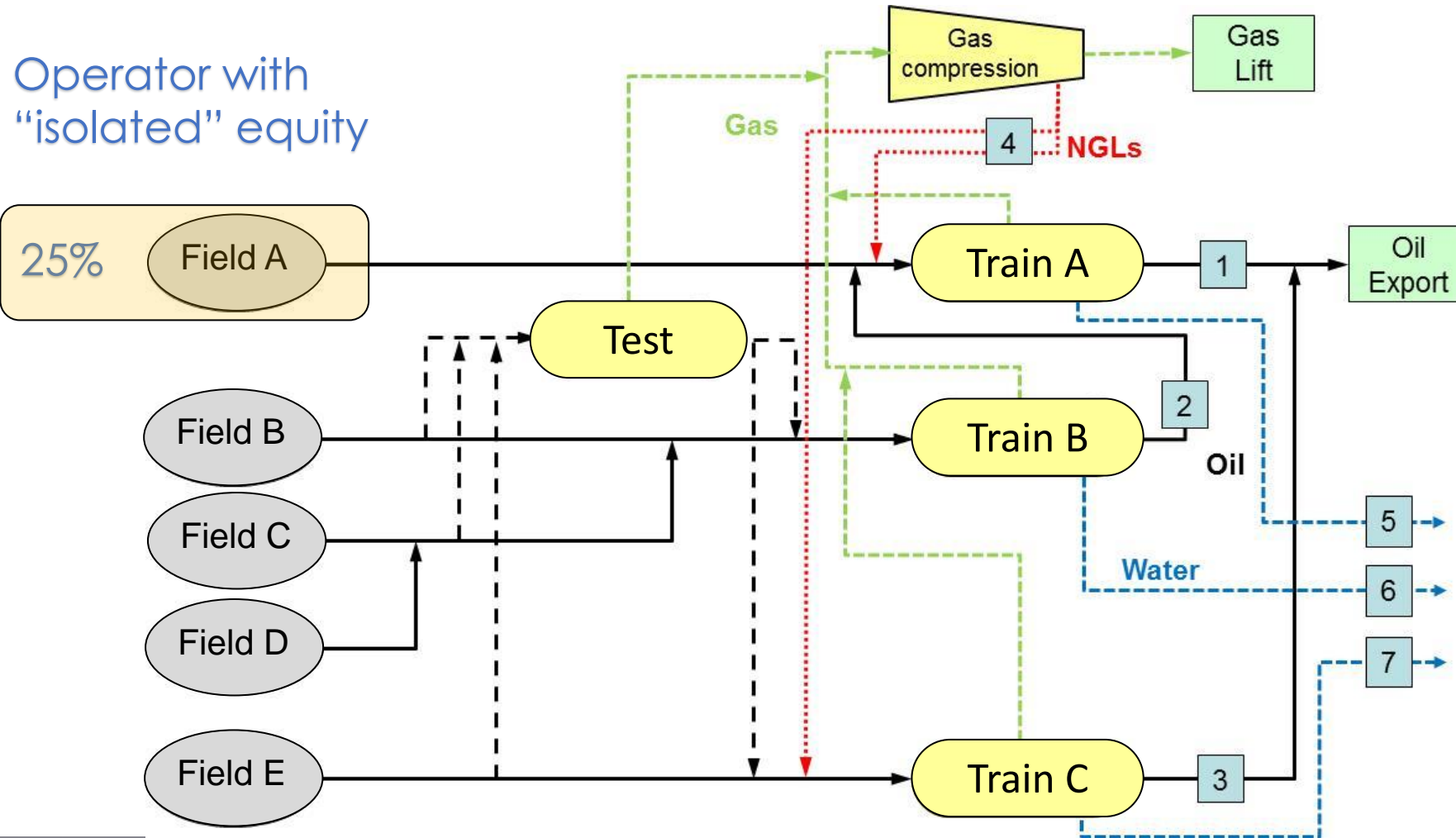
Uncertainty in the allocated revenue?

- Allocation to fields... what about equity?
- Allocation to owners/partners across all fields in system

How do we account for this?

Example allocation system

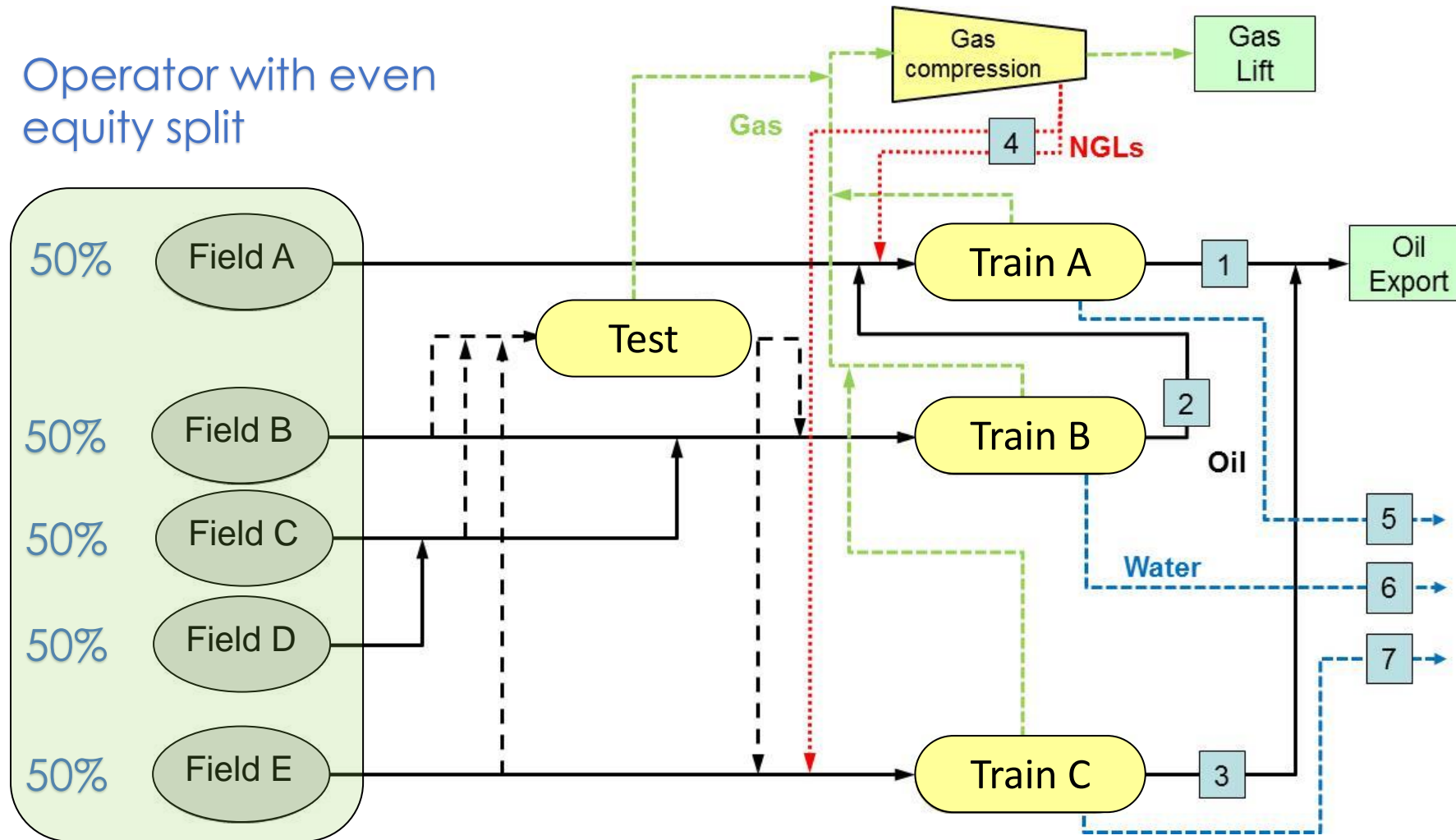
- Allocated uncertainty for “owner” in single field



Example allocation system

- Allocated uncertainty for “owner” in multiple fields

Operator with even equity split



Revenue uncertainty

- How many levels?
-

Why stop at “one-system” exposure?

Do we ever calculate overall “Operator exposure”?

Revenue uncertainty

- Overall Operator exposure
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- As an Operator what is our overall exposure?
- Where are the main risk factors?
- Are they operated by us or external?

Revenue uncertainty

- How many levels?
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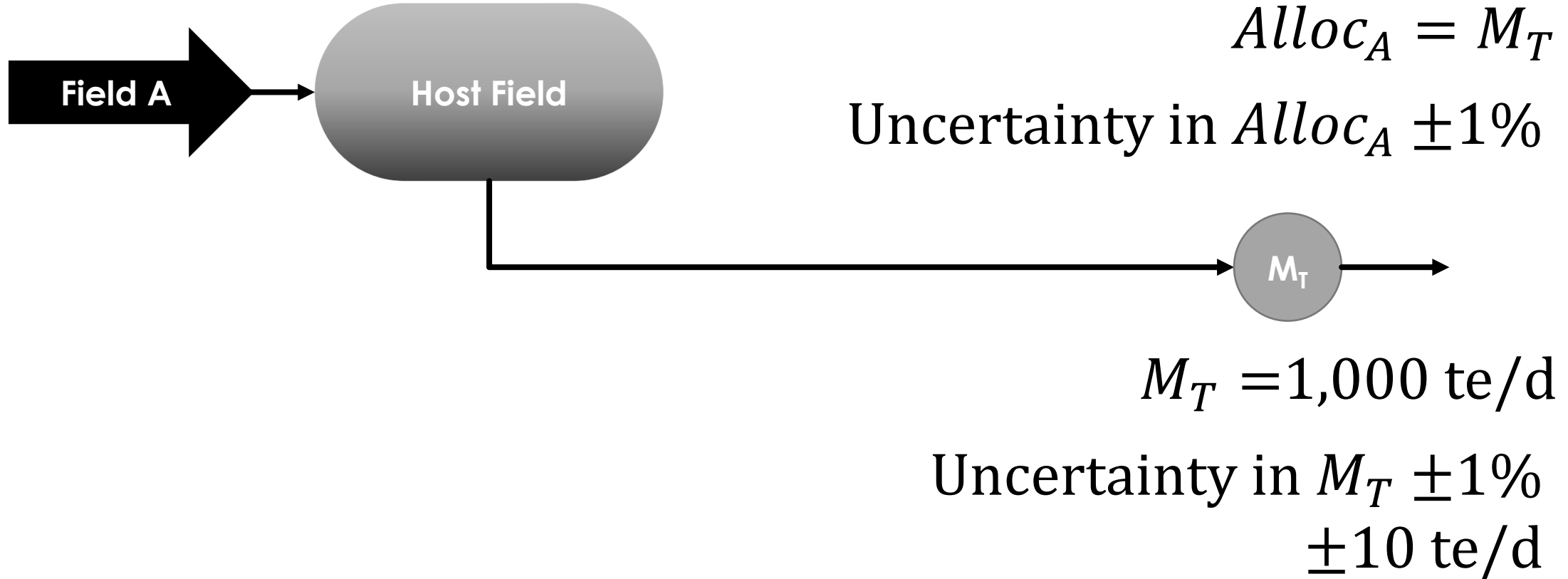
- Requires a complete bottom to top exposure analysis.
 - Does anyone ever think about this to that level?
 - Could we even do this?
 - Is it worth it?
- Same principle applies to all Operators (not just TAQA)

How to calculate allocation uncertainty

- Having looked at the high-level principles....
- How do we go about this?

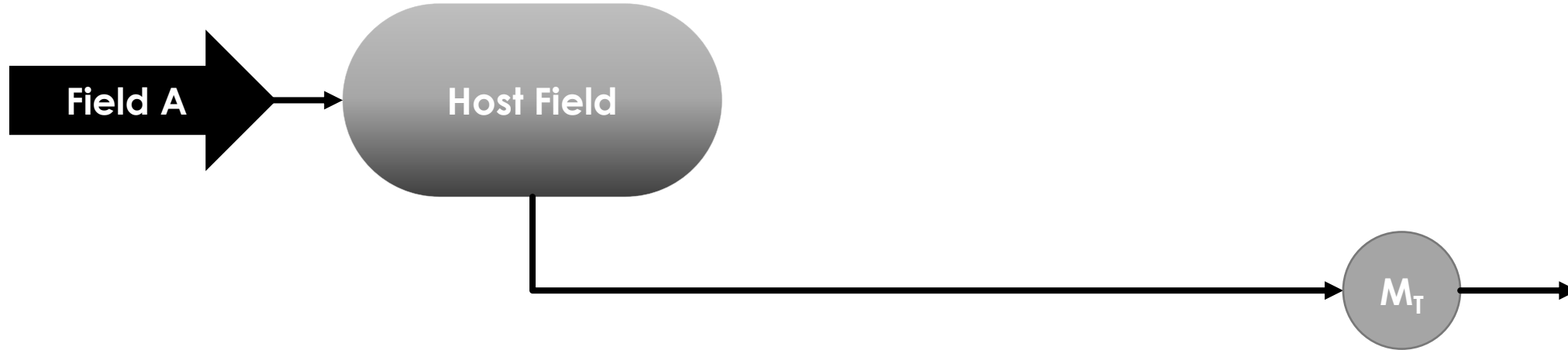
- Over to Phil...

Simple Process

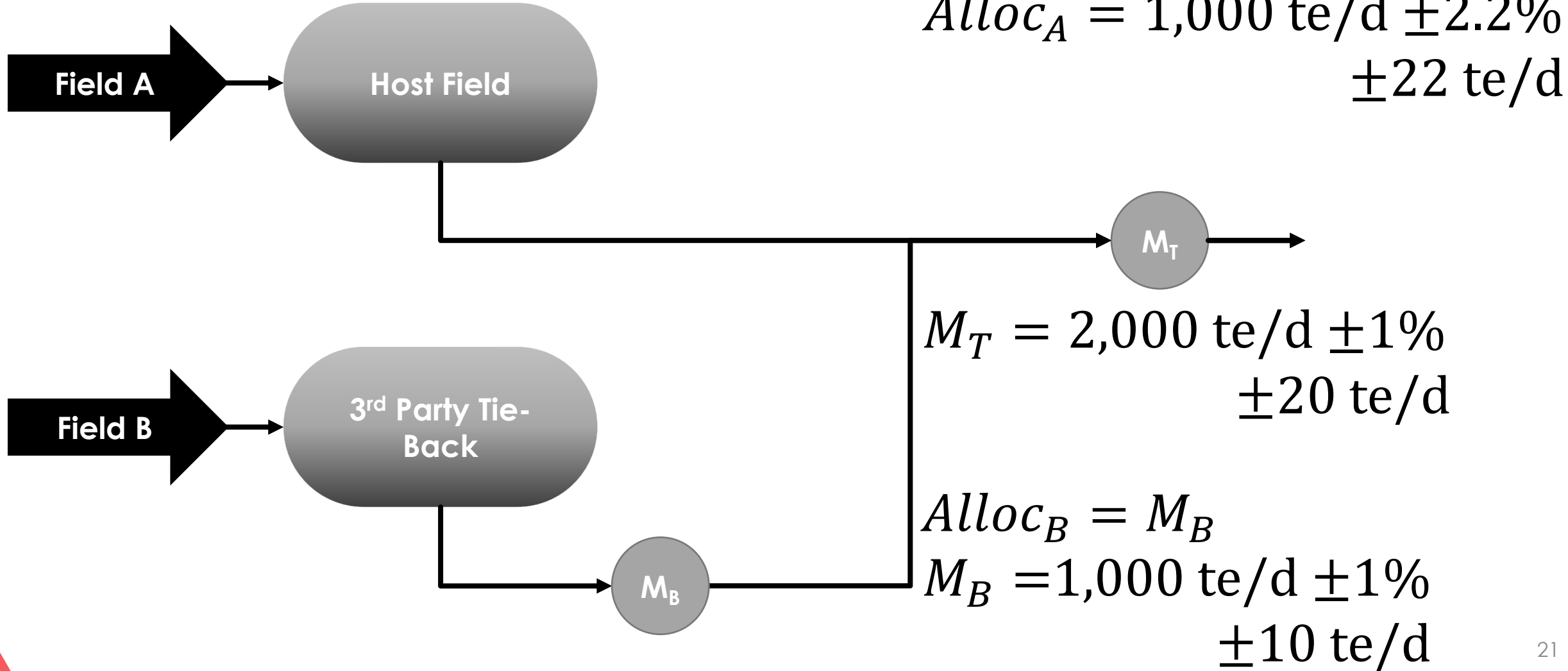


Uncertainty expressed at the 95% confidence level !

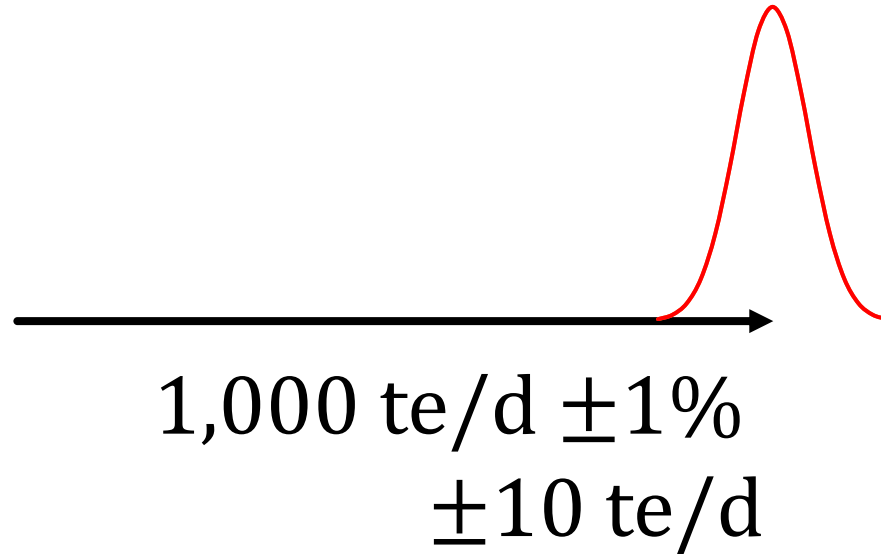
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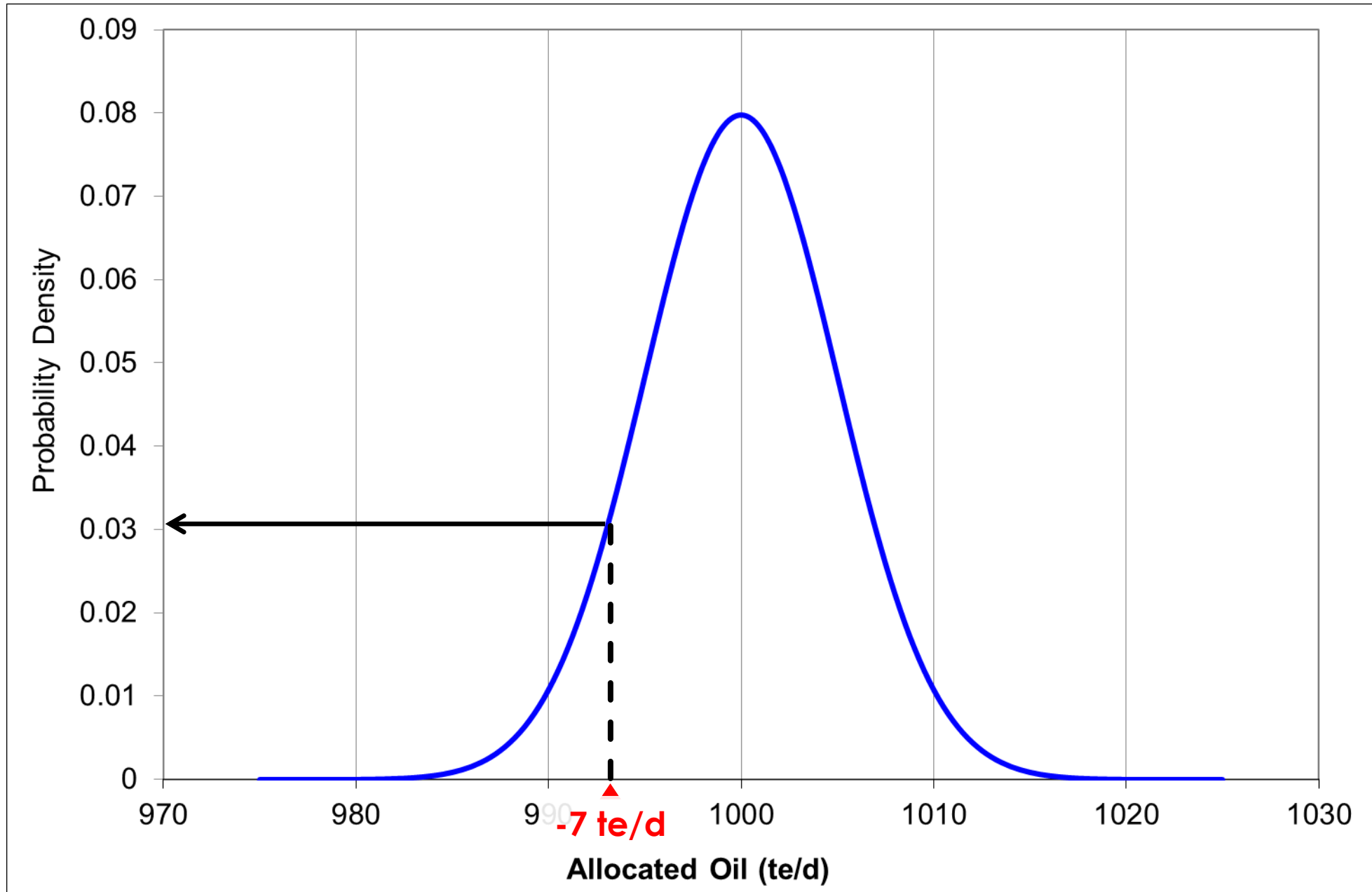


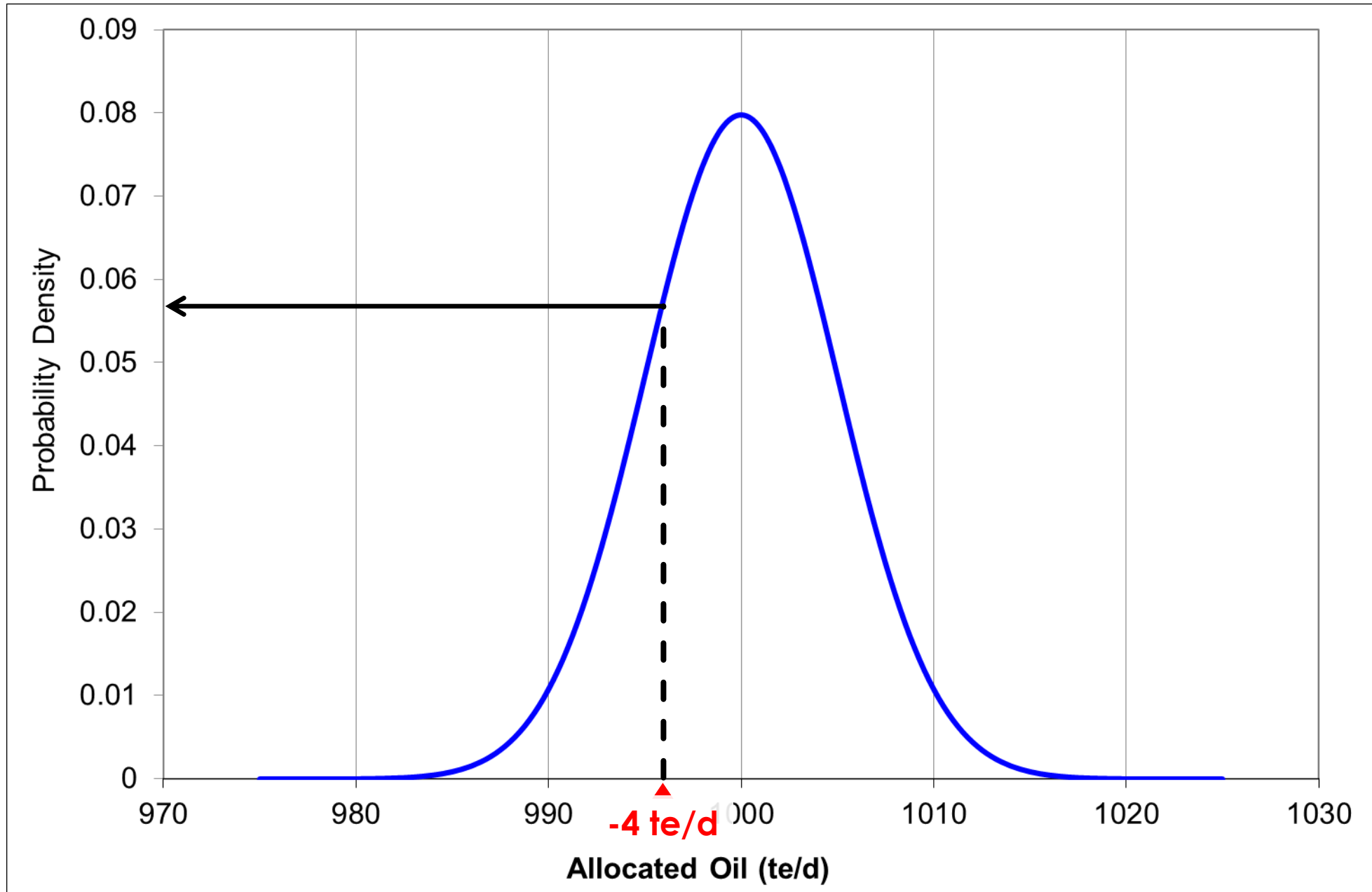
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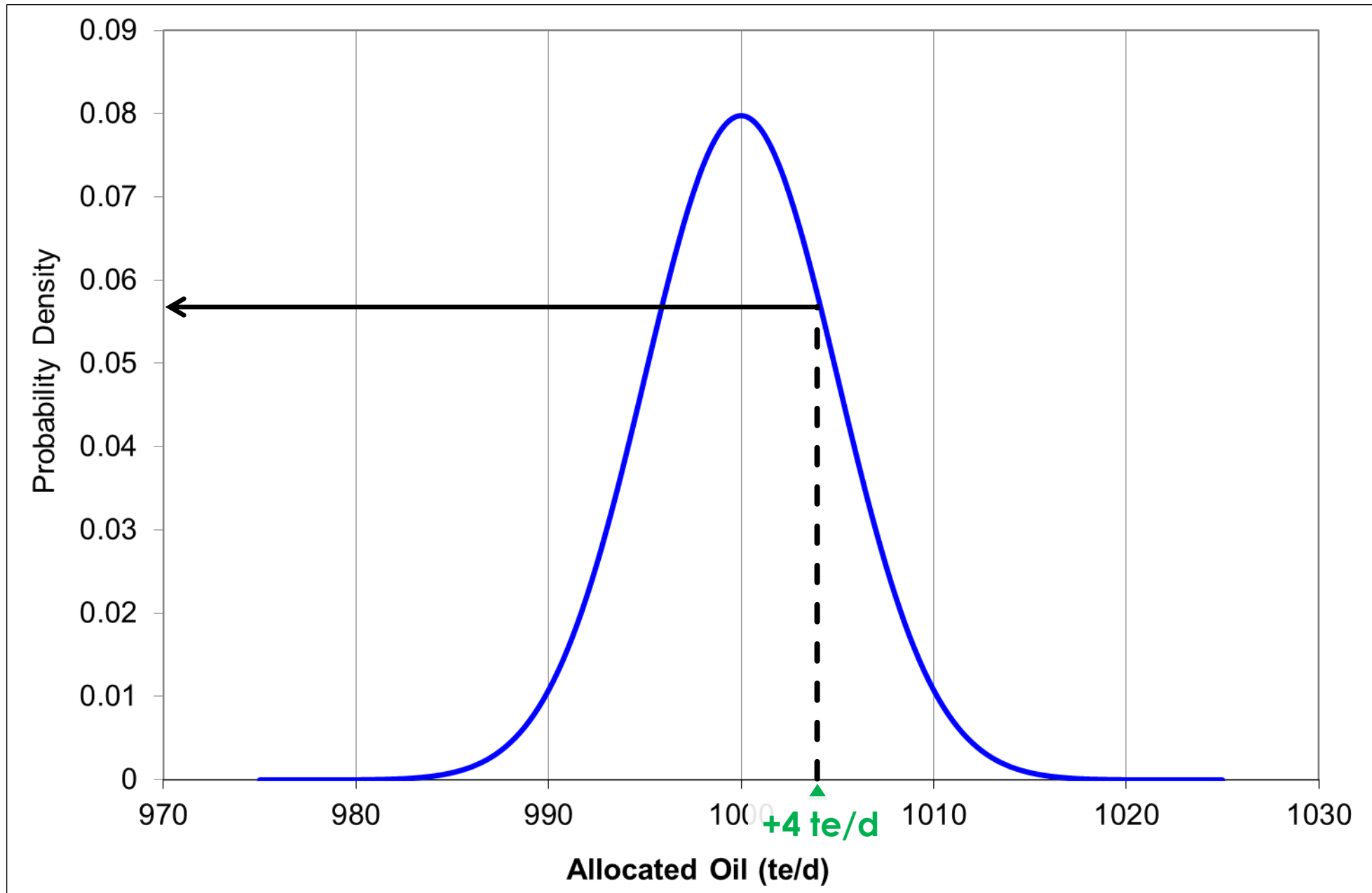


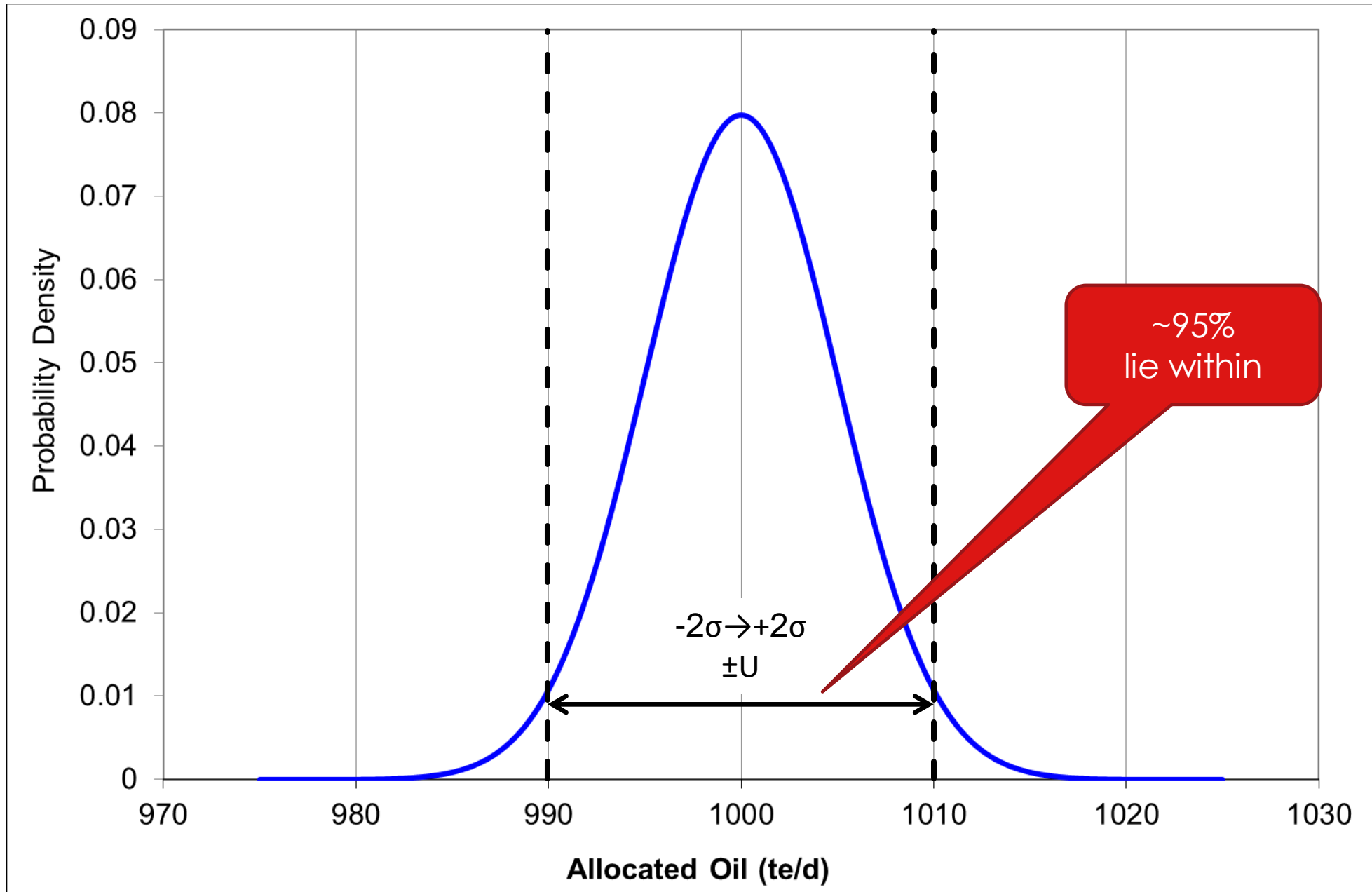
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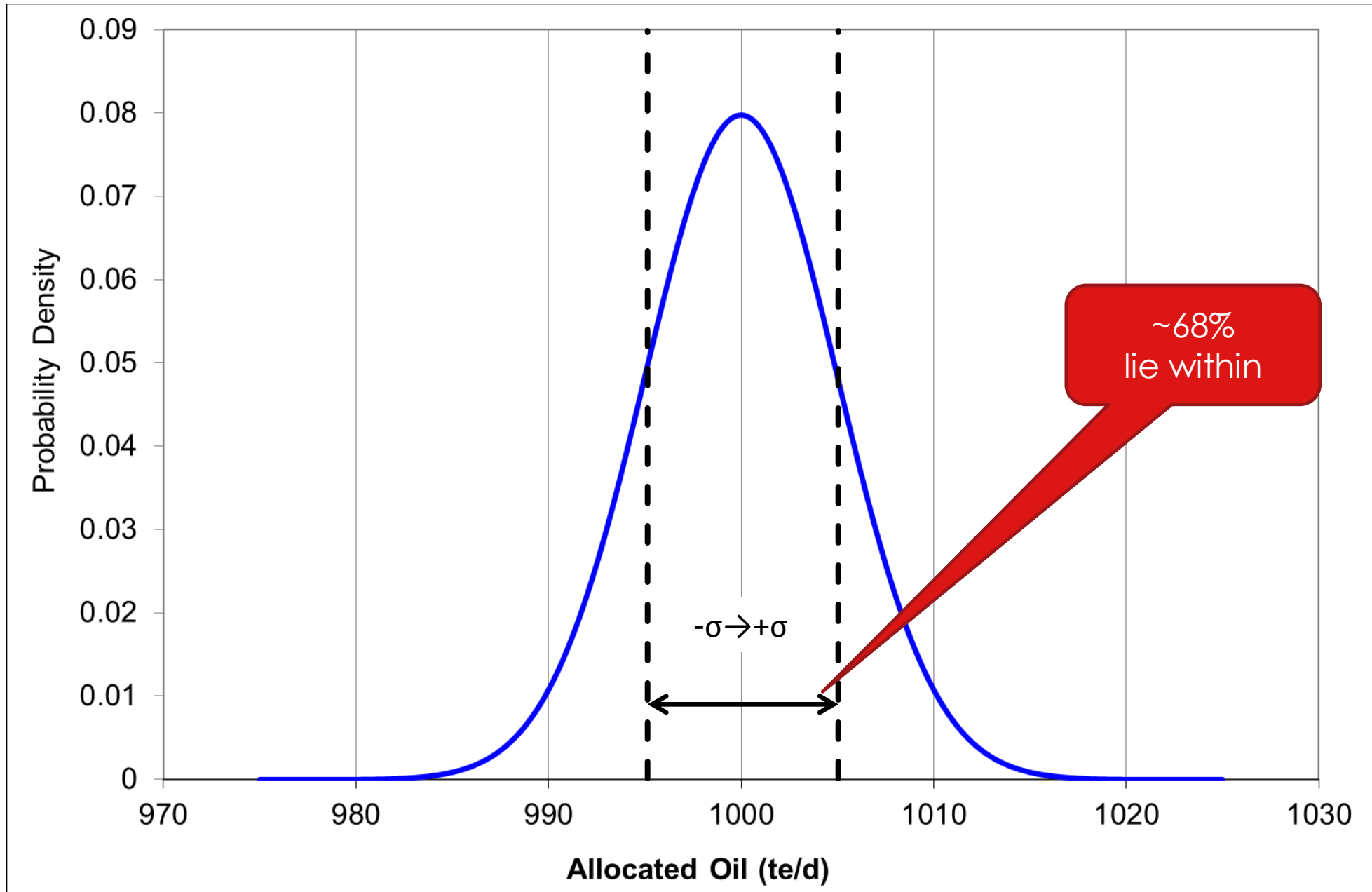


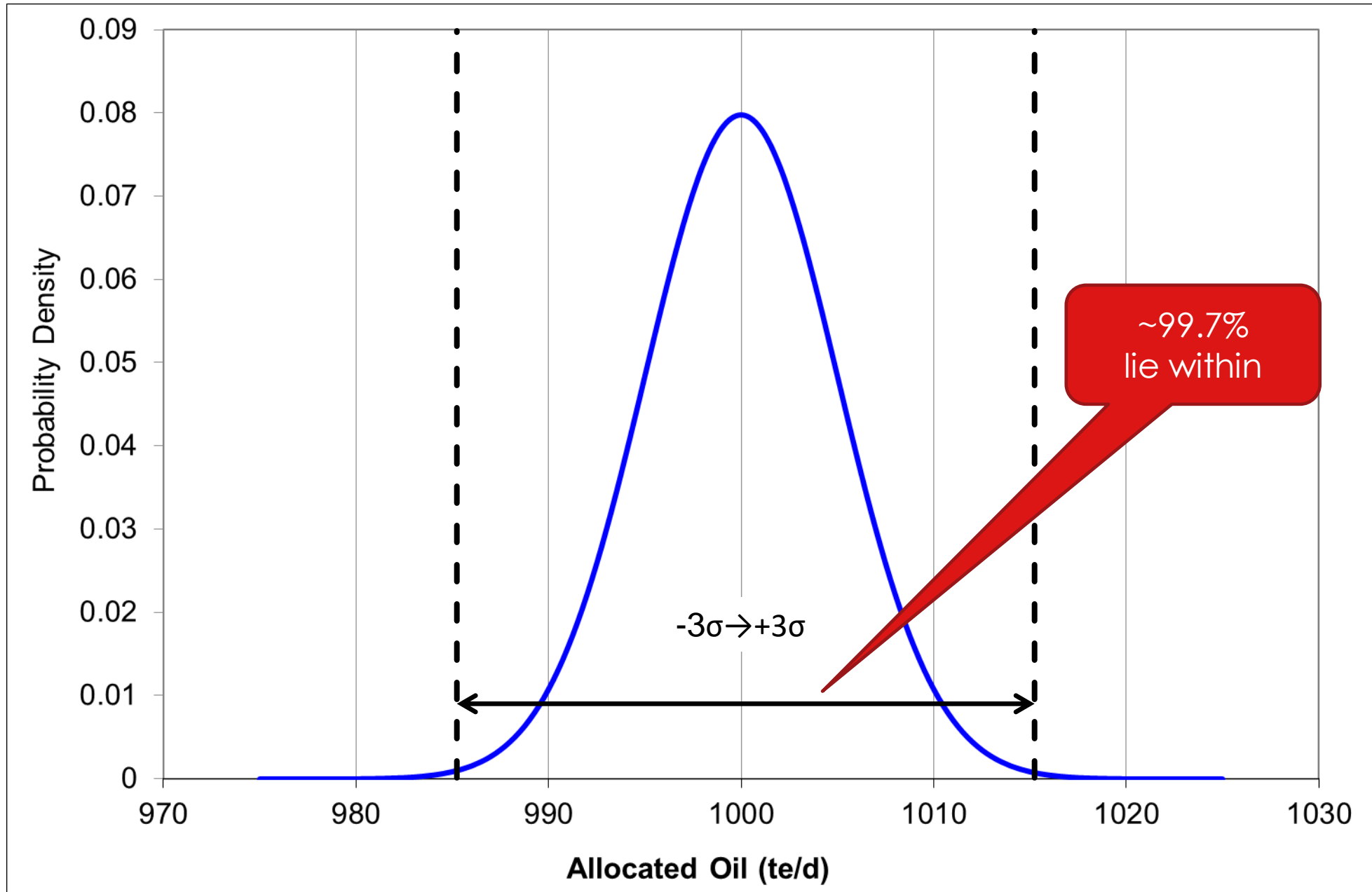


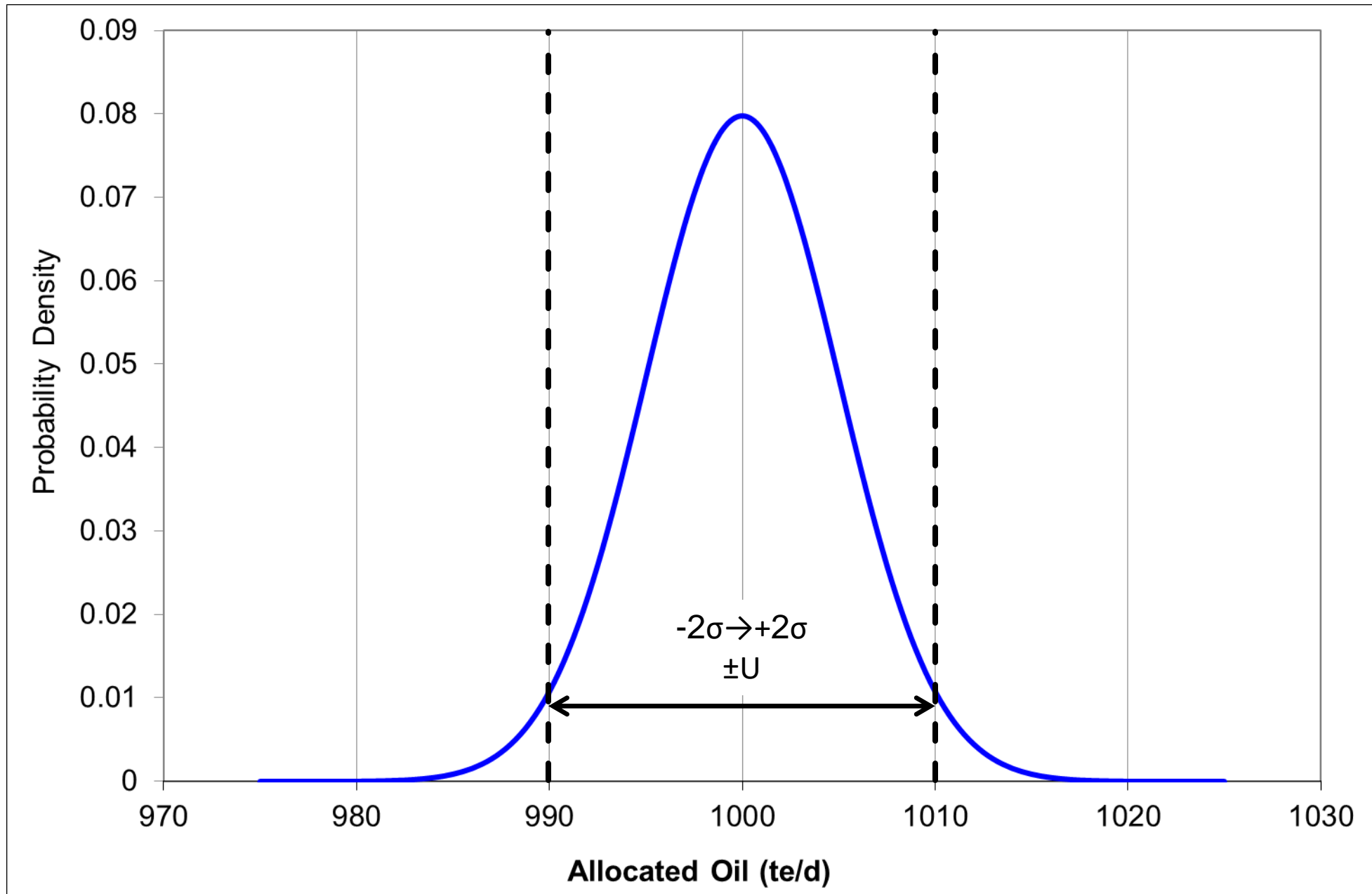


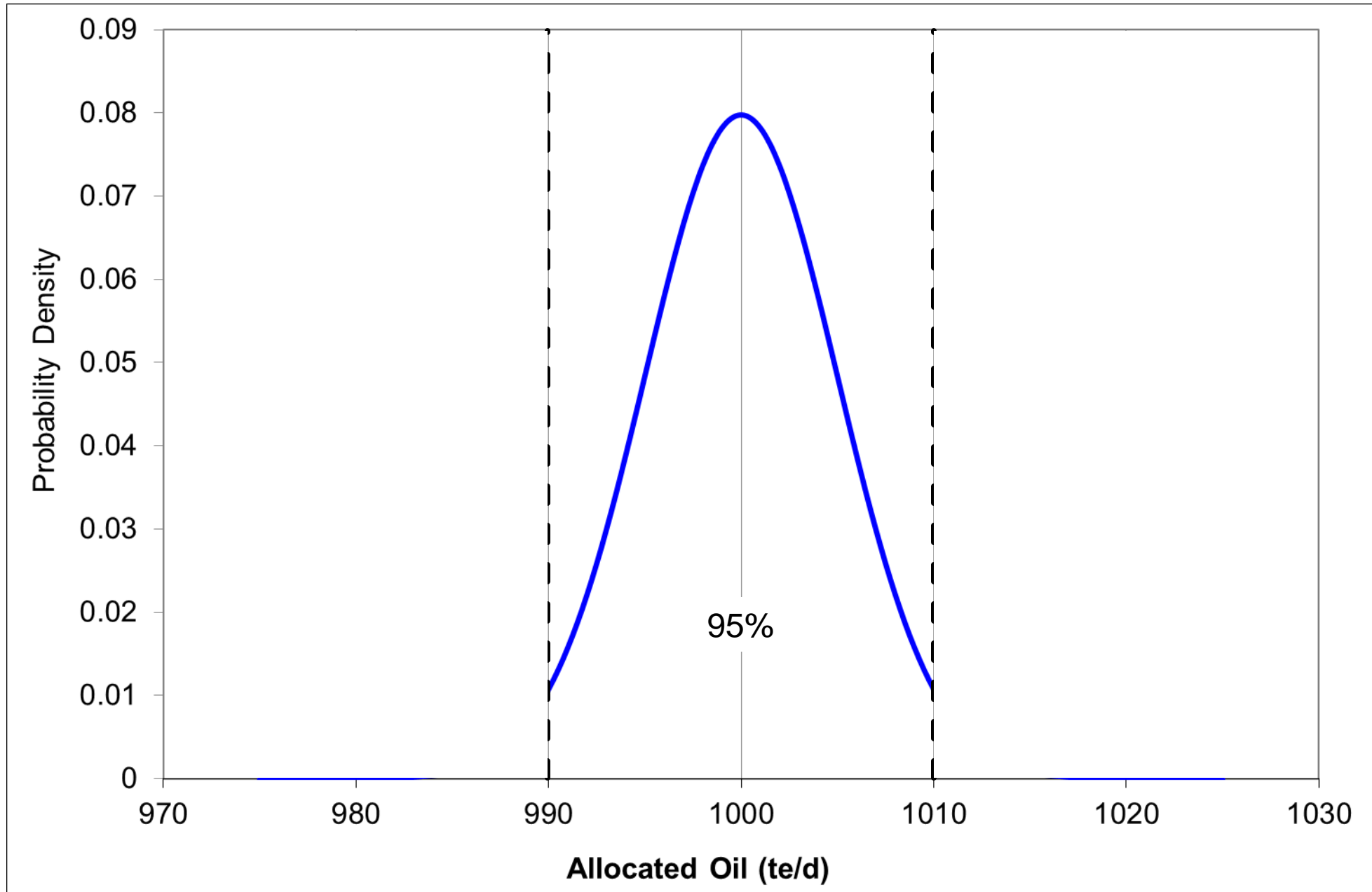


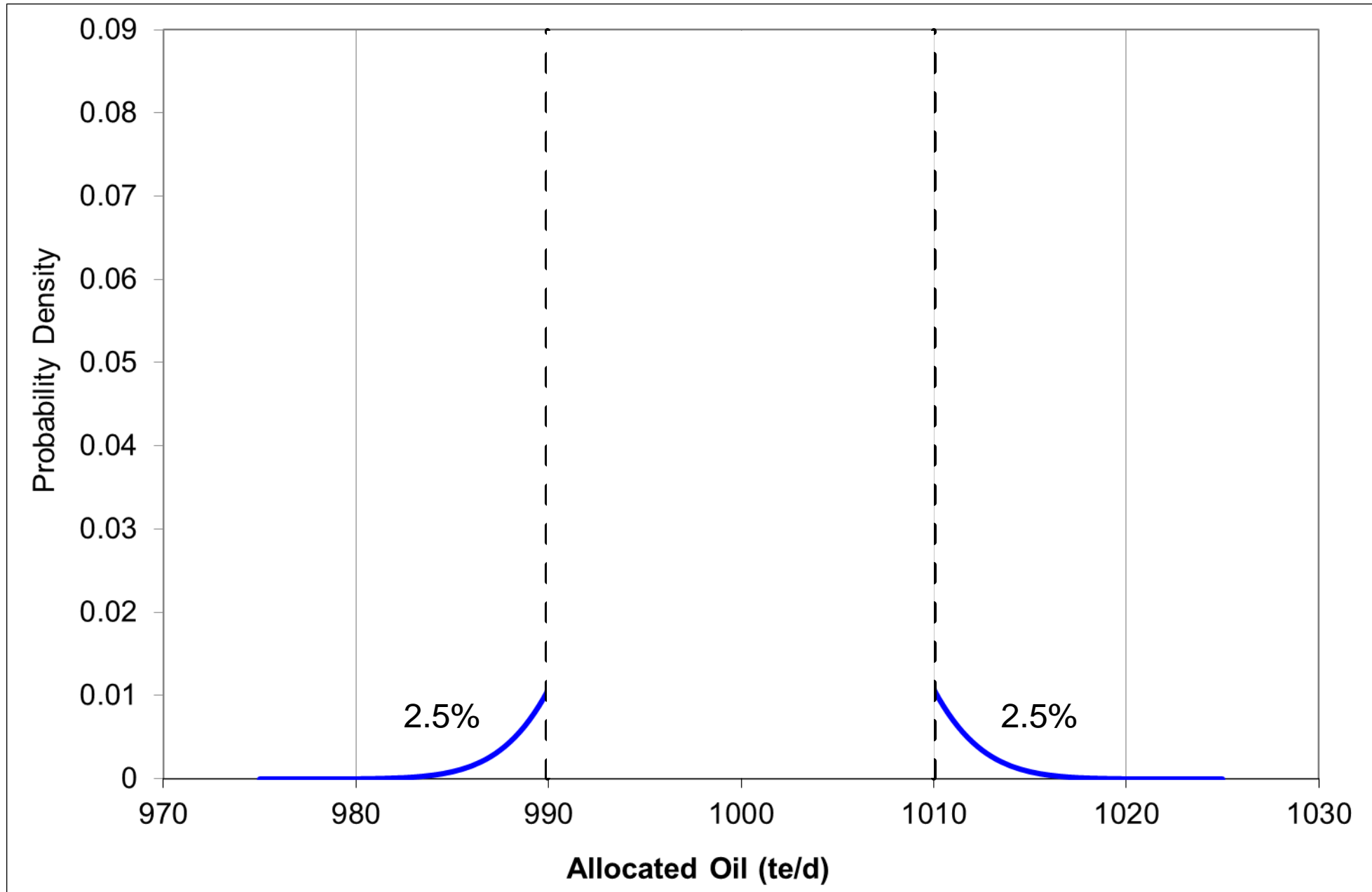


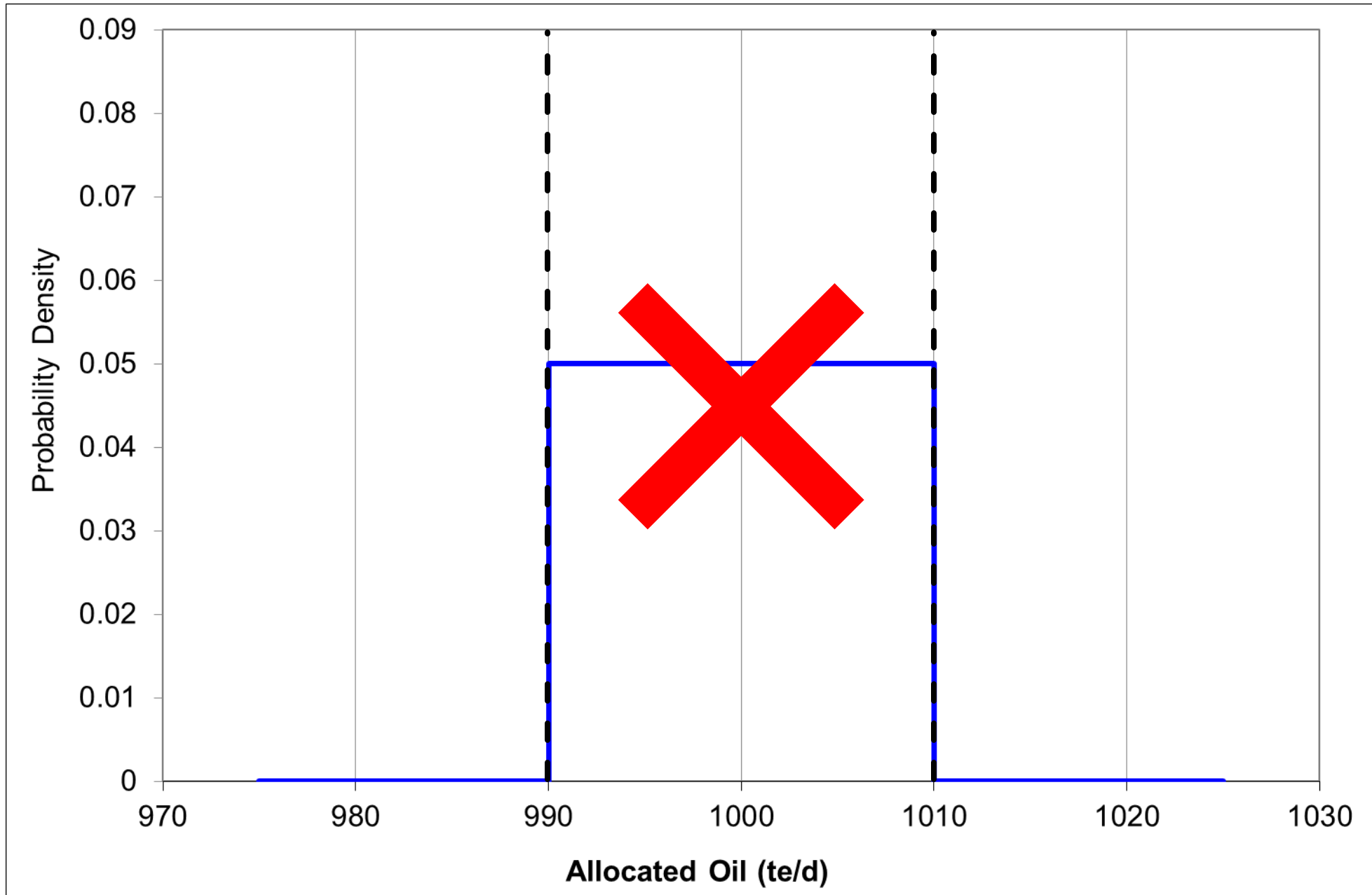


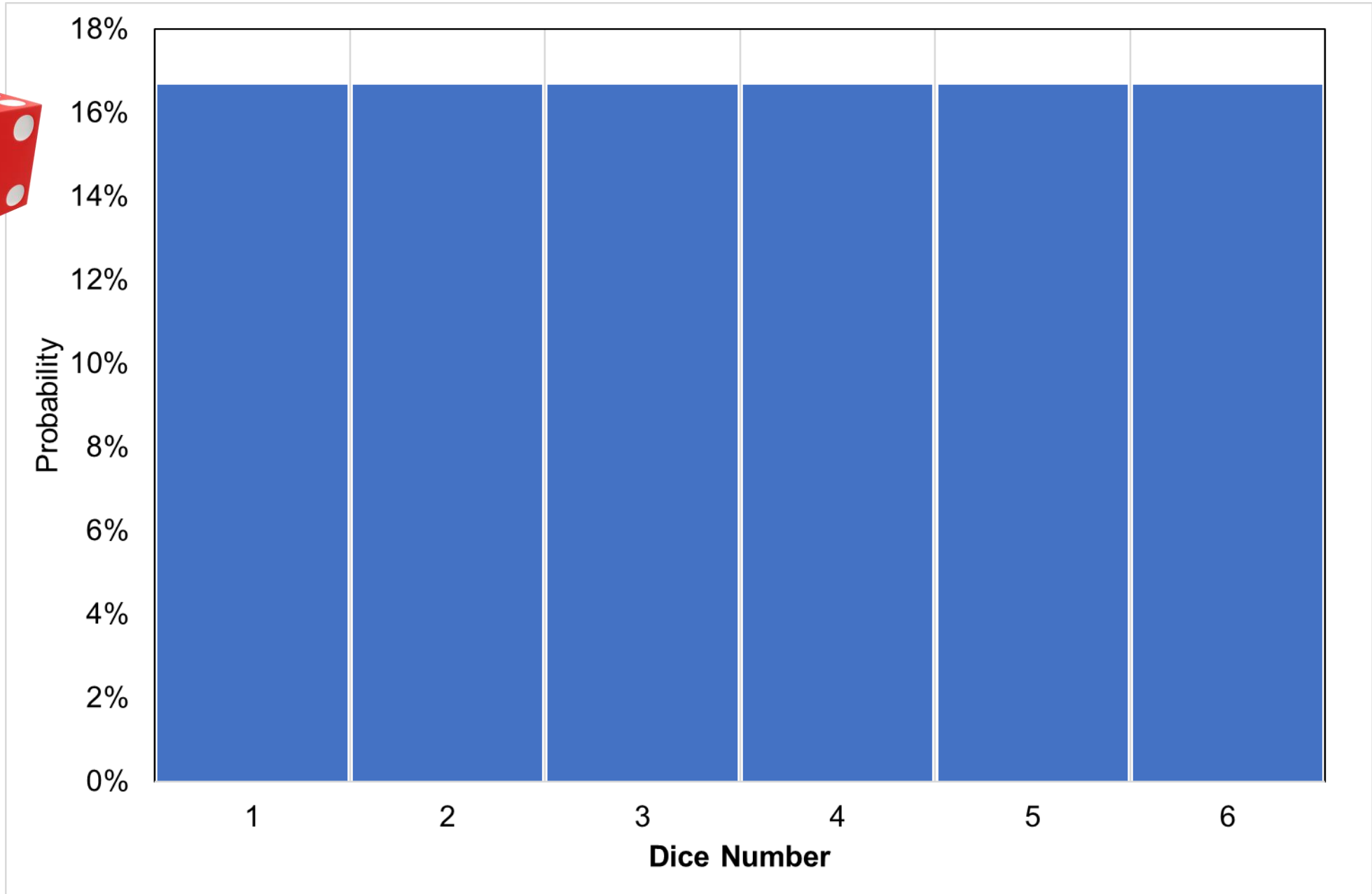


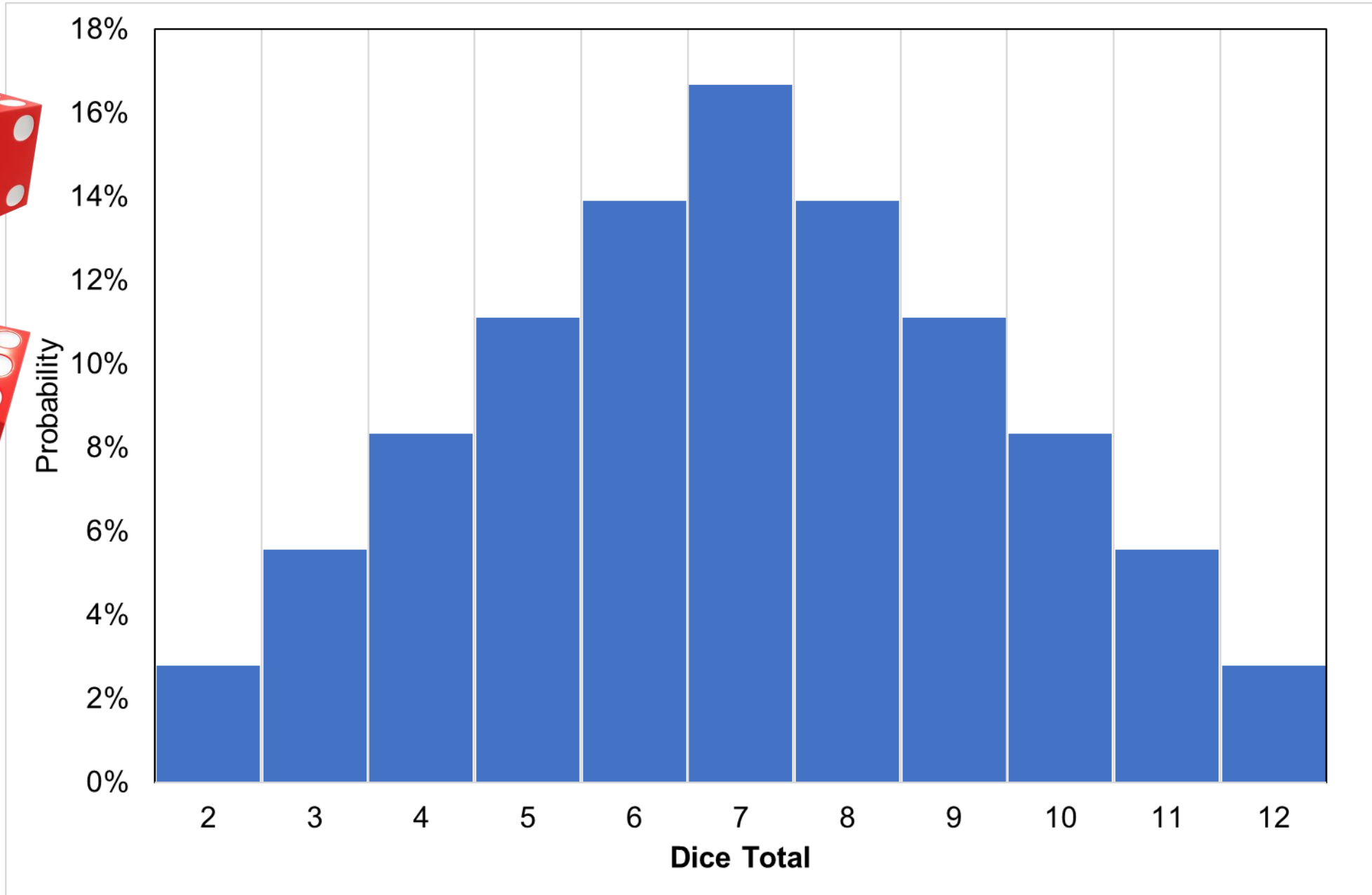


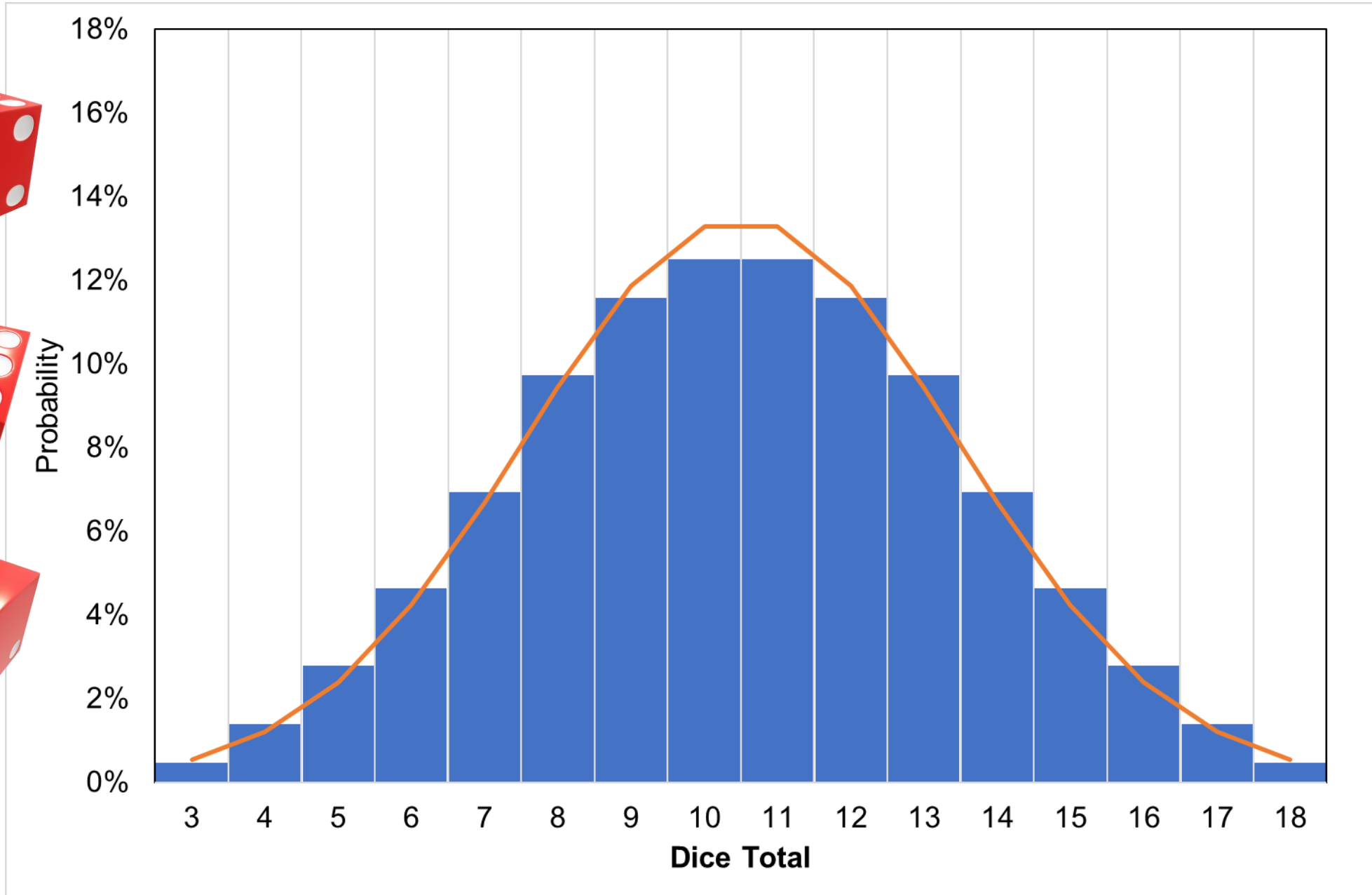
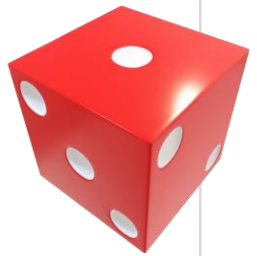




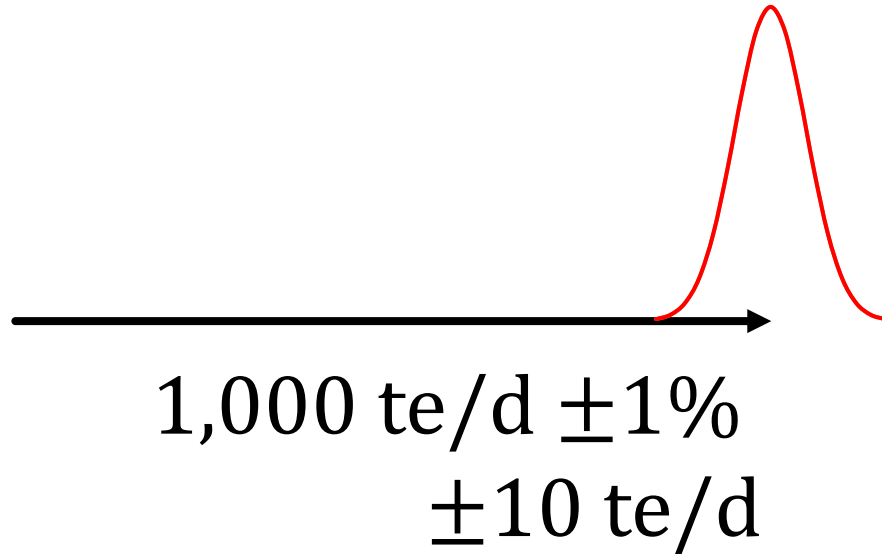




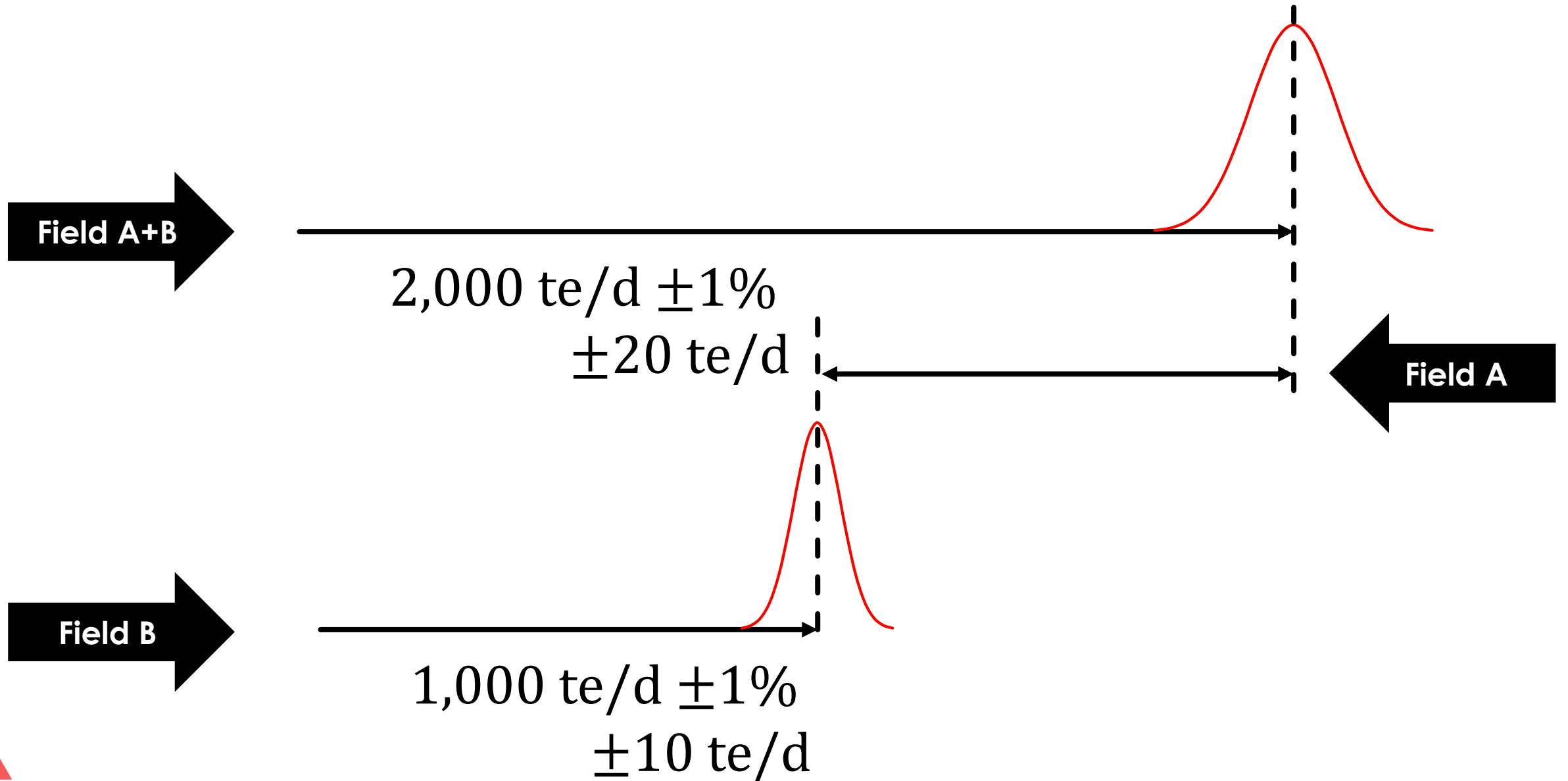




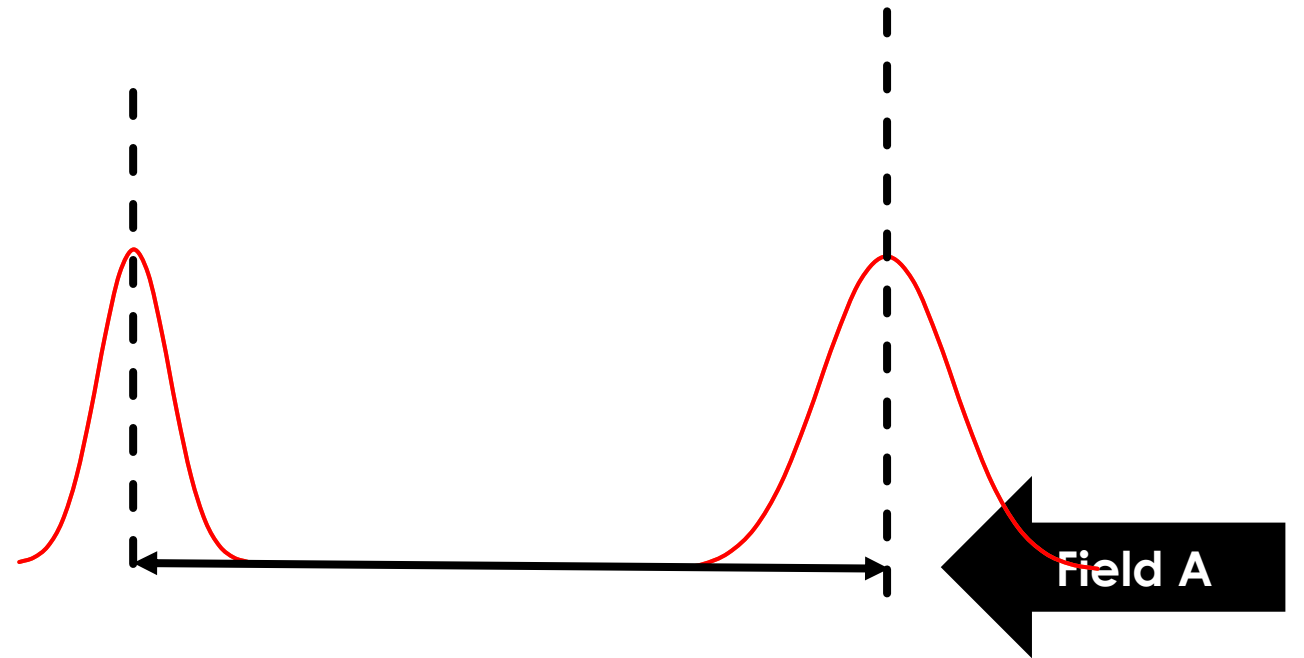
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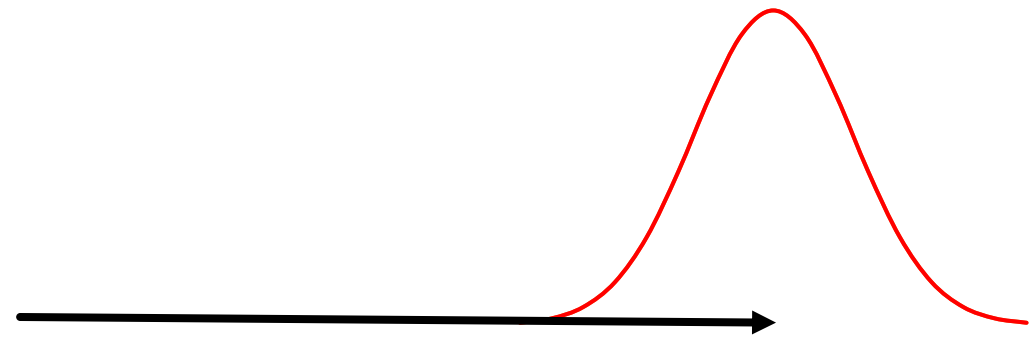
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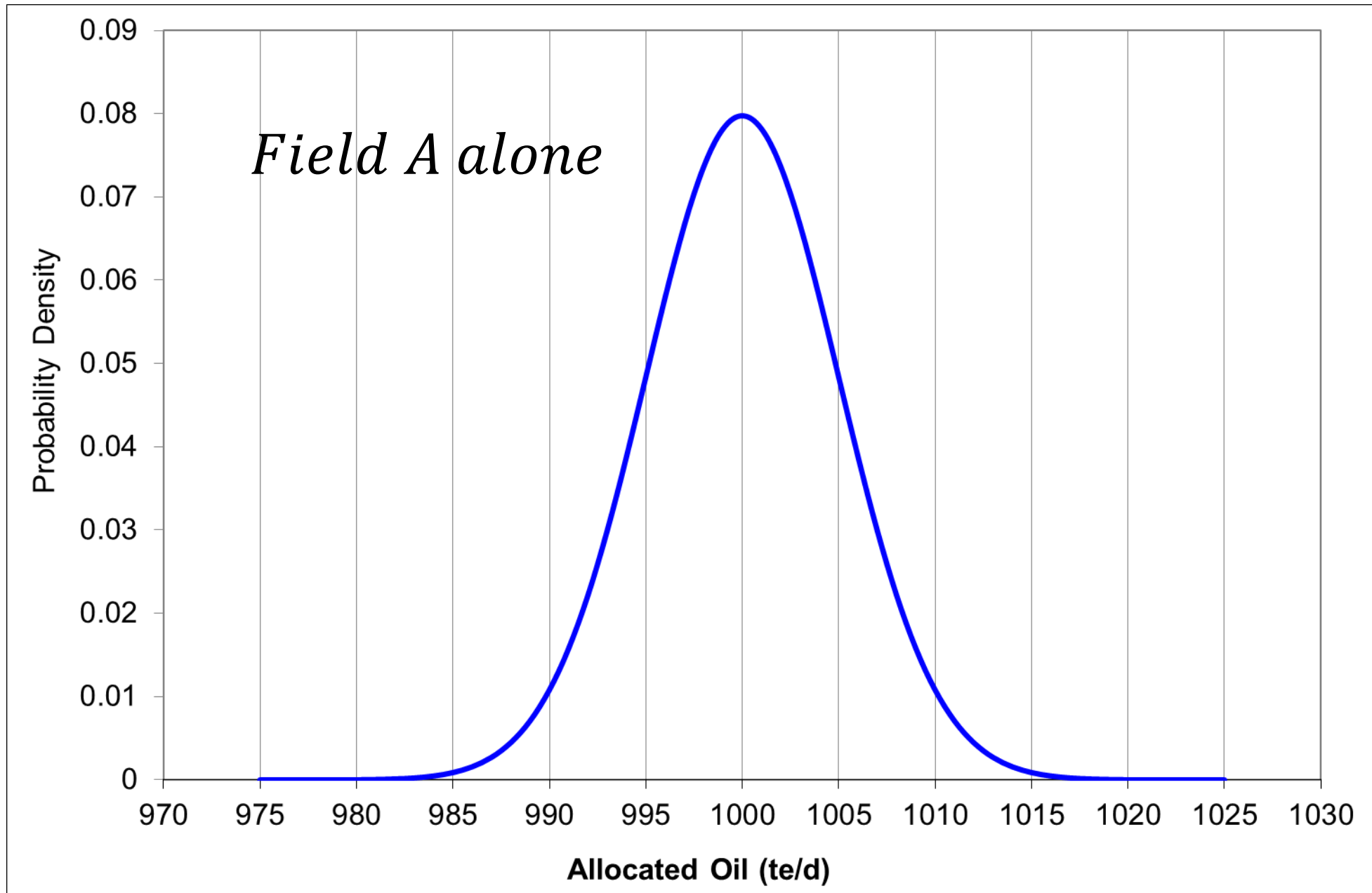
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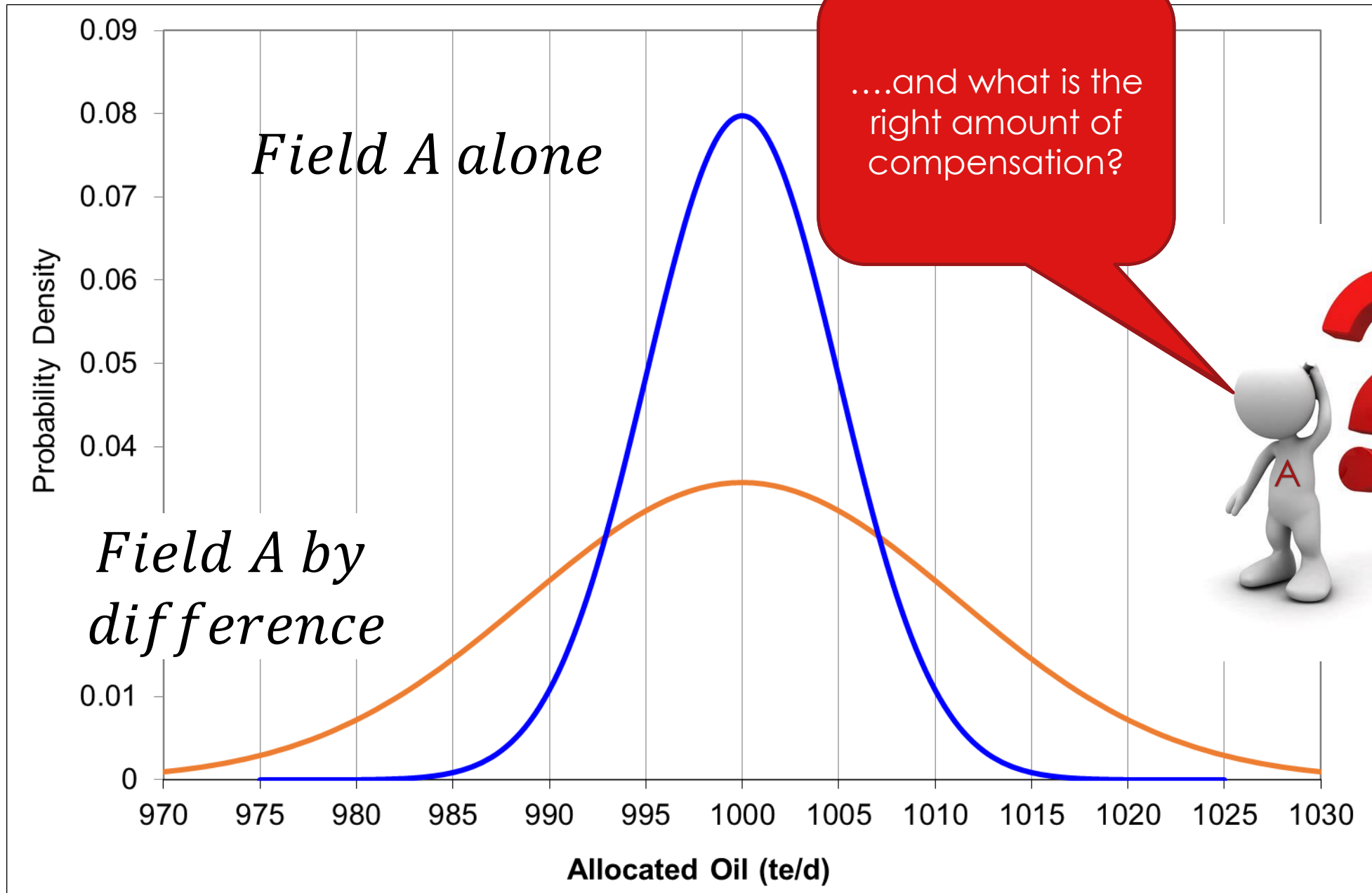


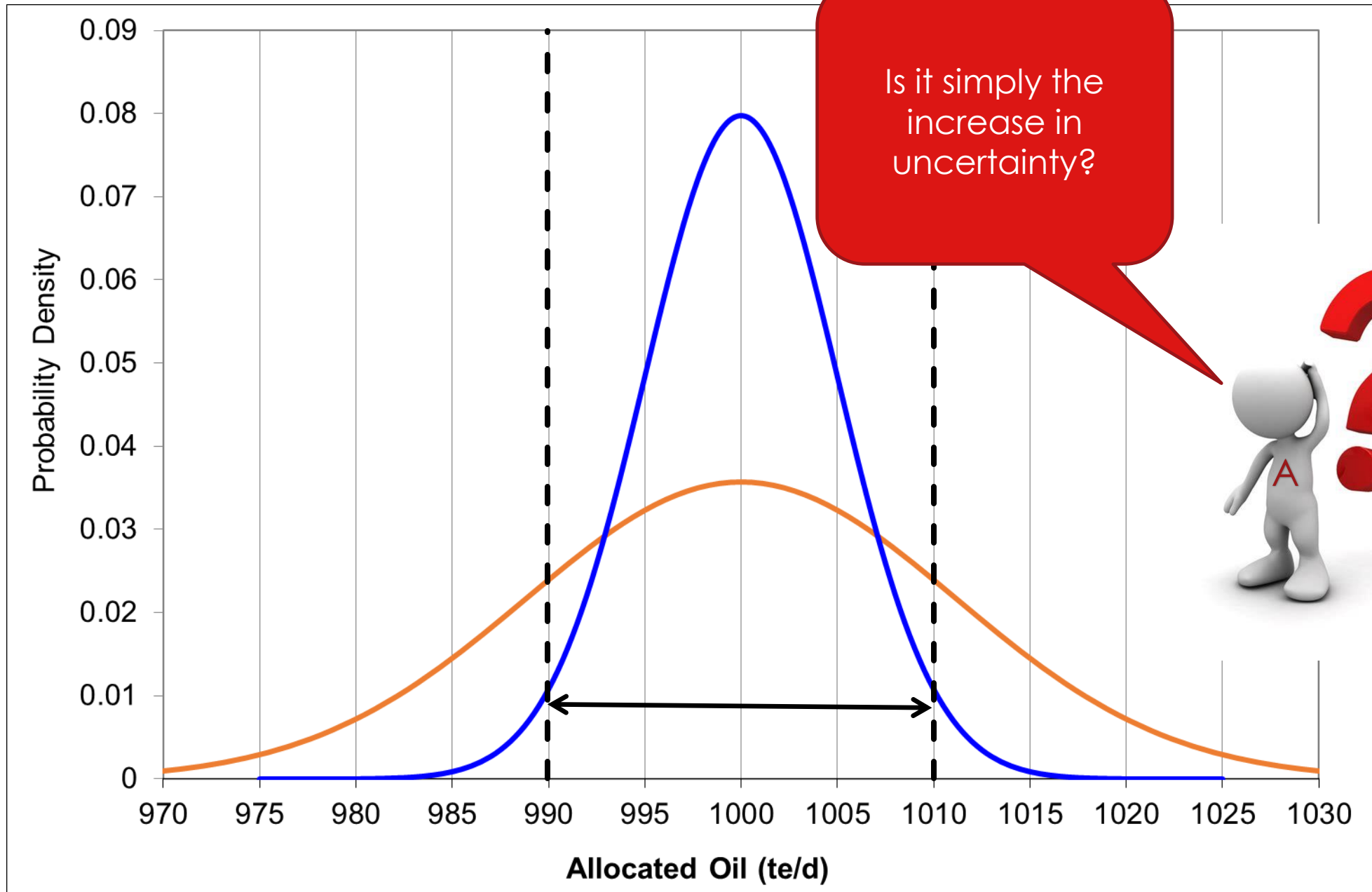
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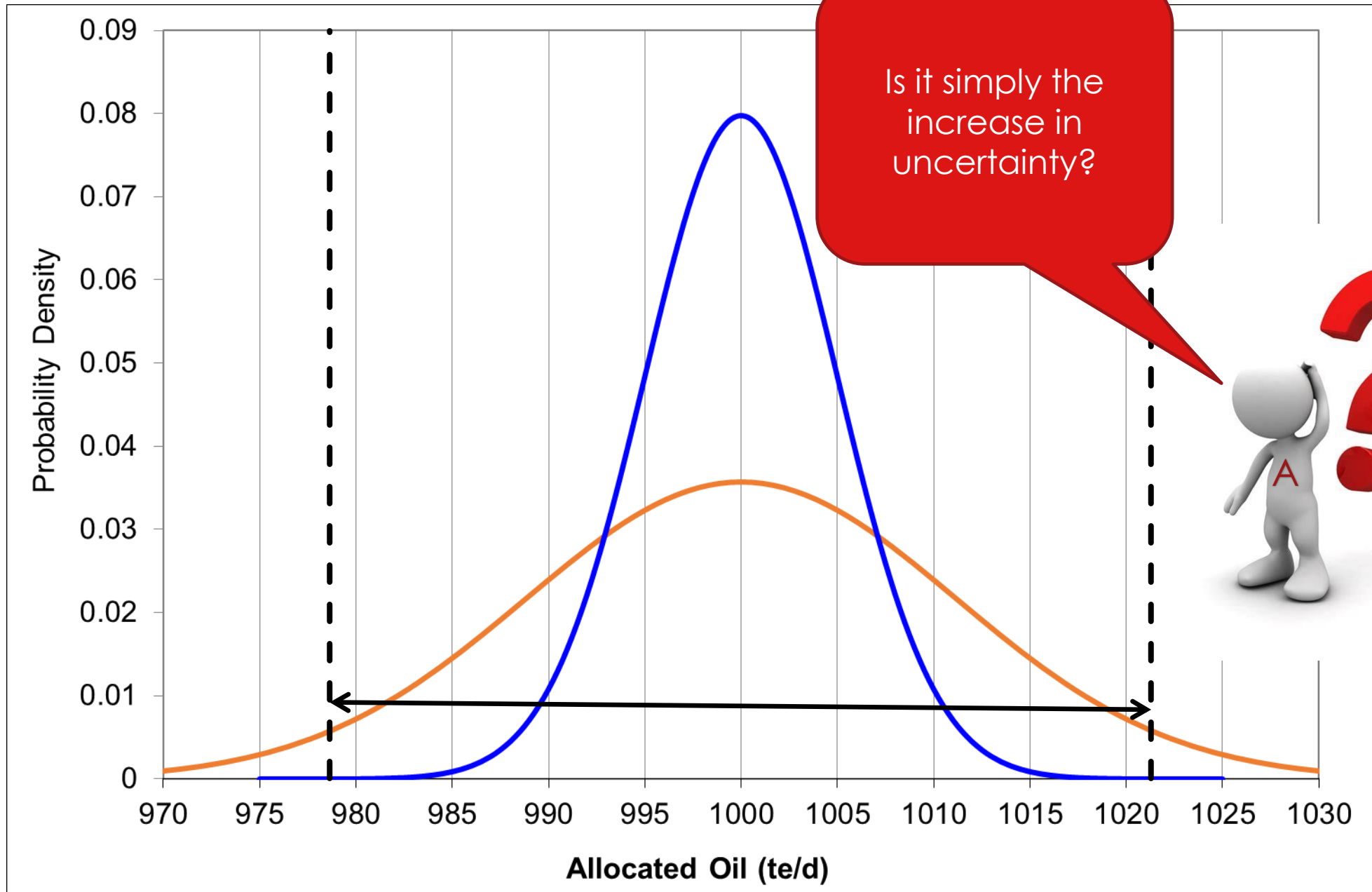


1,000 te/d $\pm 2.2\%$
 ± 22 te/d









Basis

1. Uncertainty described by the Normal or Gaussian distribution
2. Utility
 - a) Loss averse
 - b) Indifferent to gains



Offered a Gamble



Expected Value



50% chance



100% chance



50% chance

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



Utility



50% chance



1000000 €
100% chance



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

Utility



50% chance



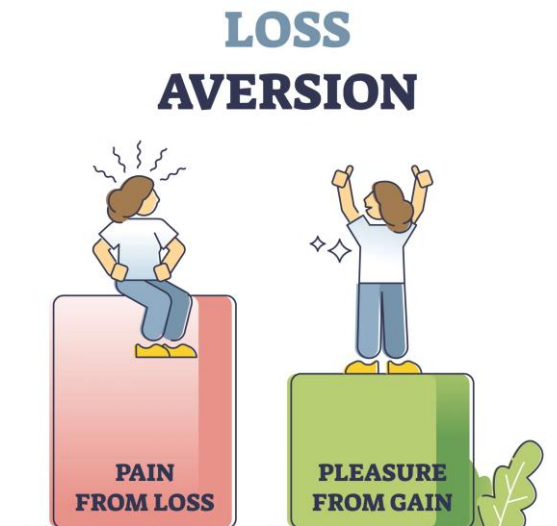
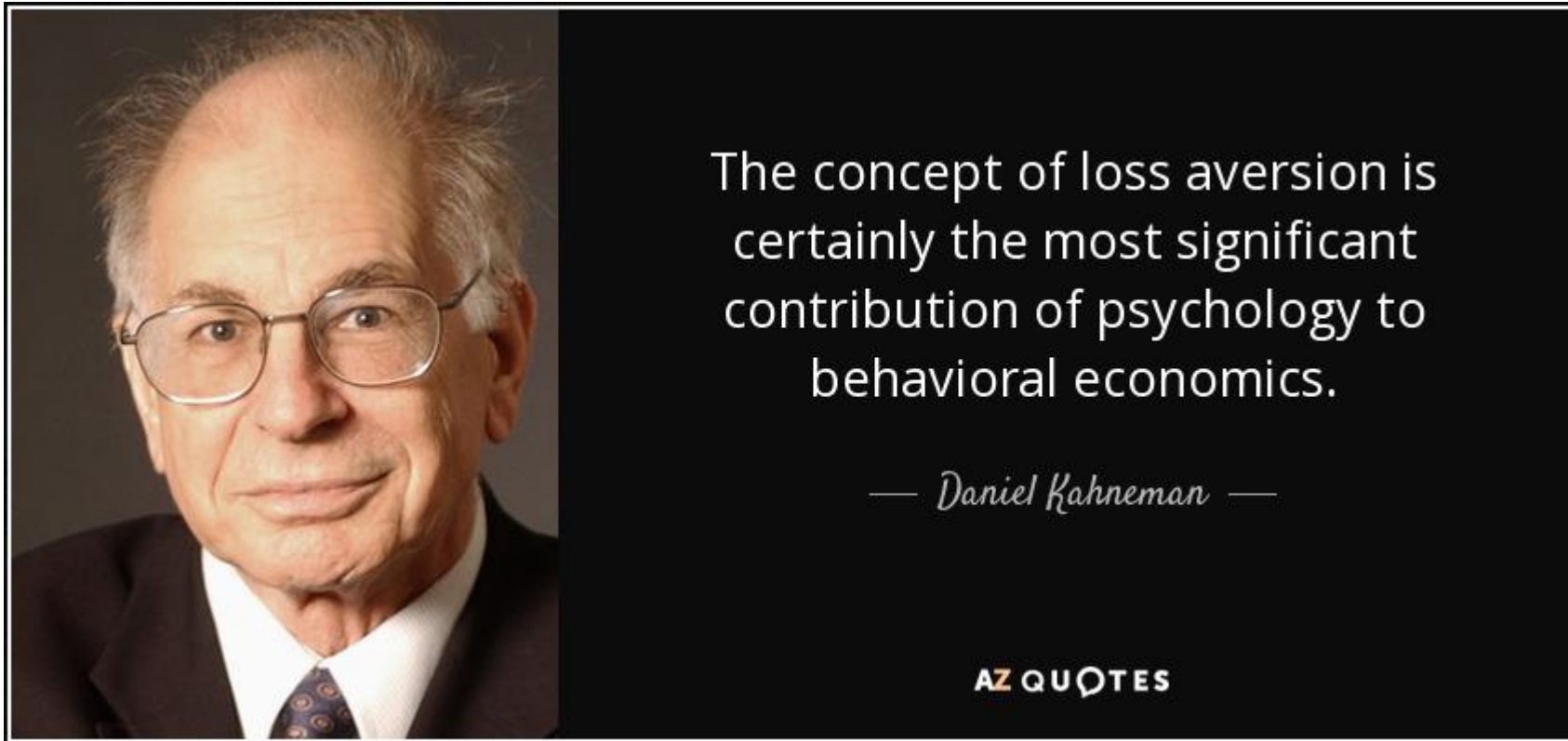
900000 €
100% chance



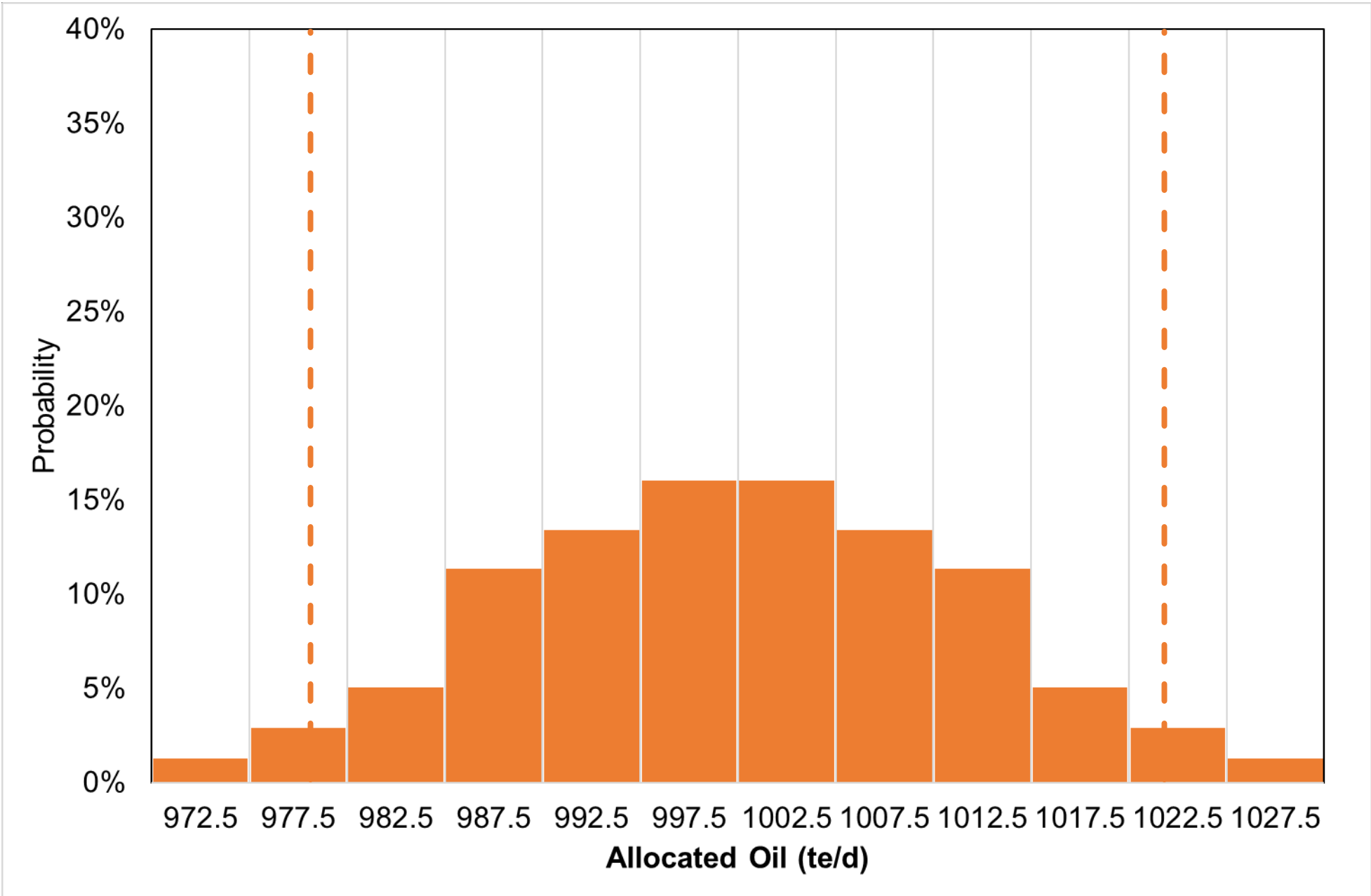
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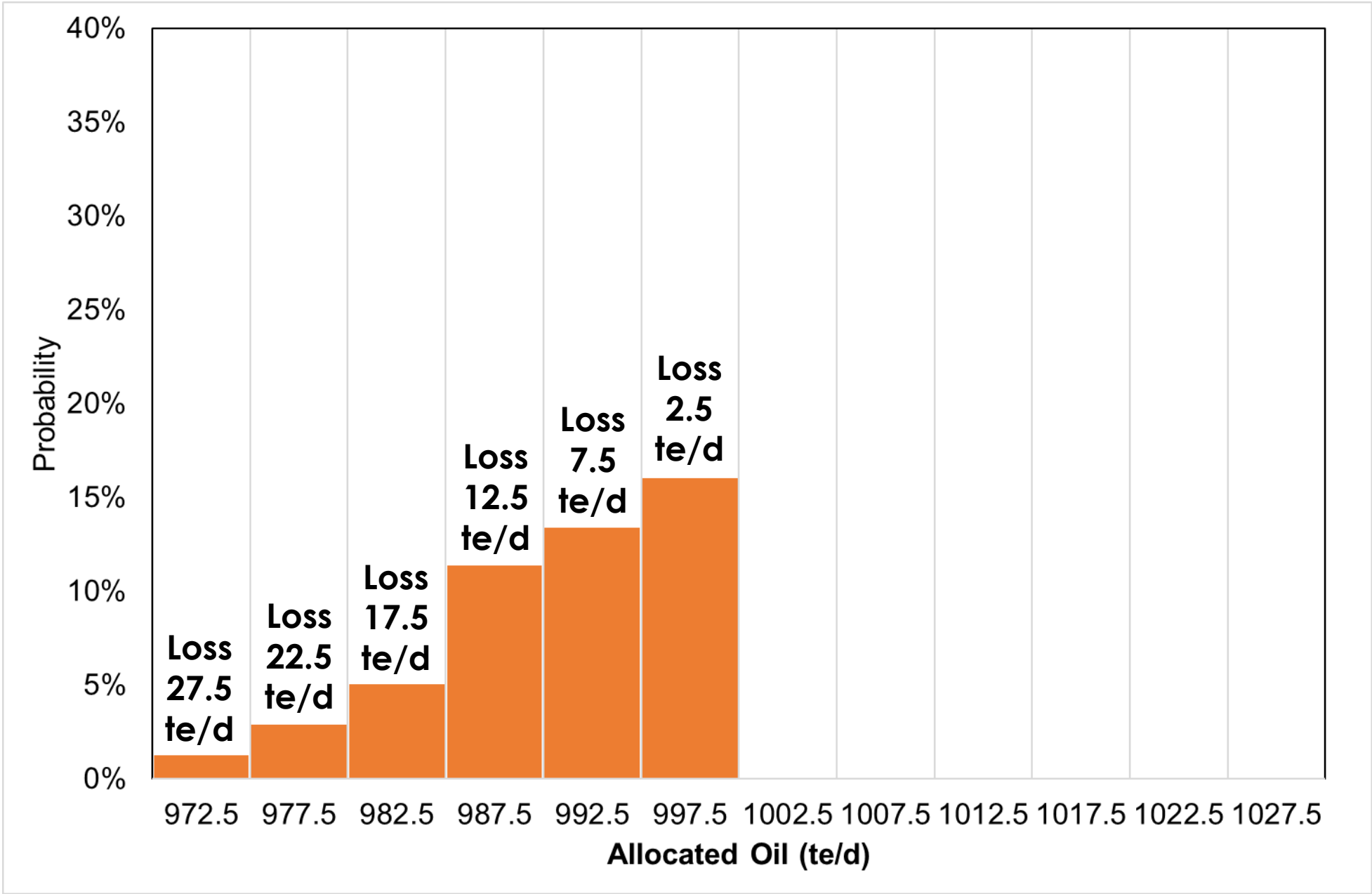
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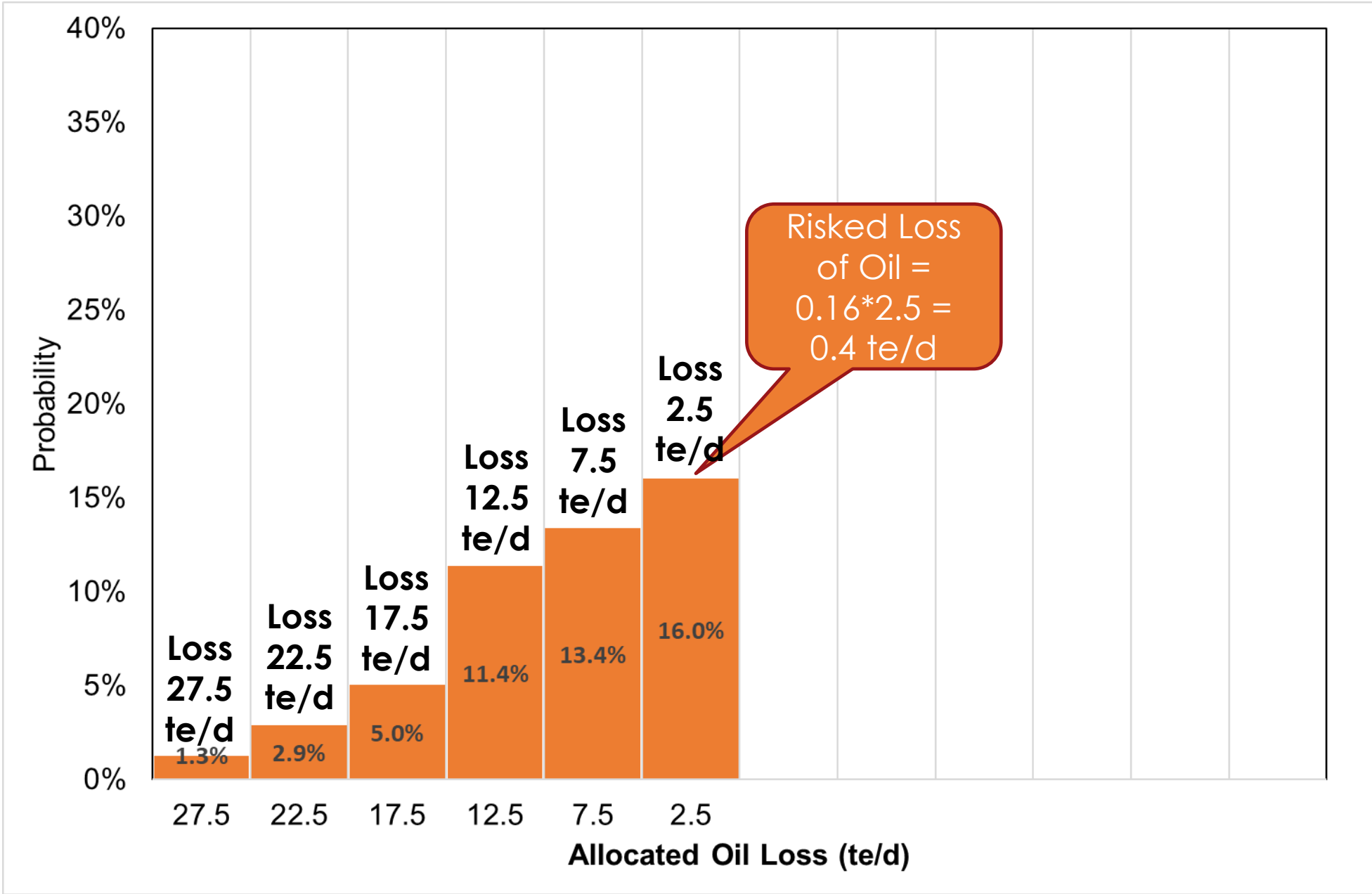
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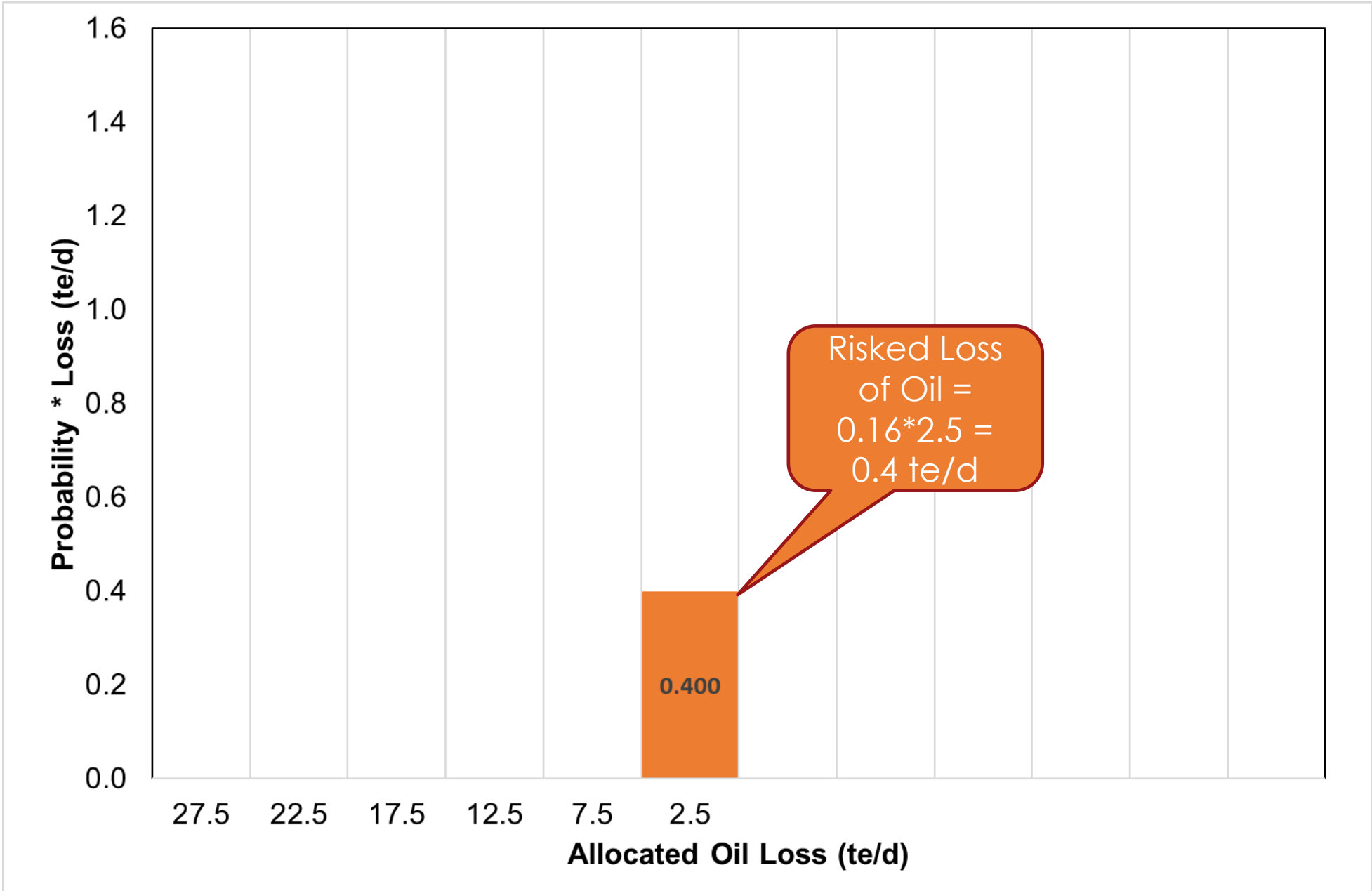


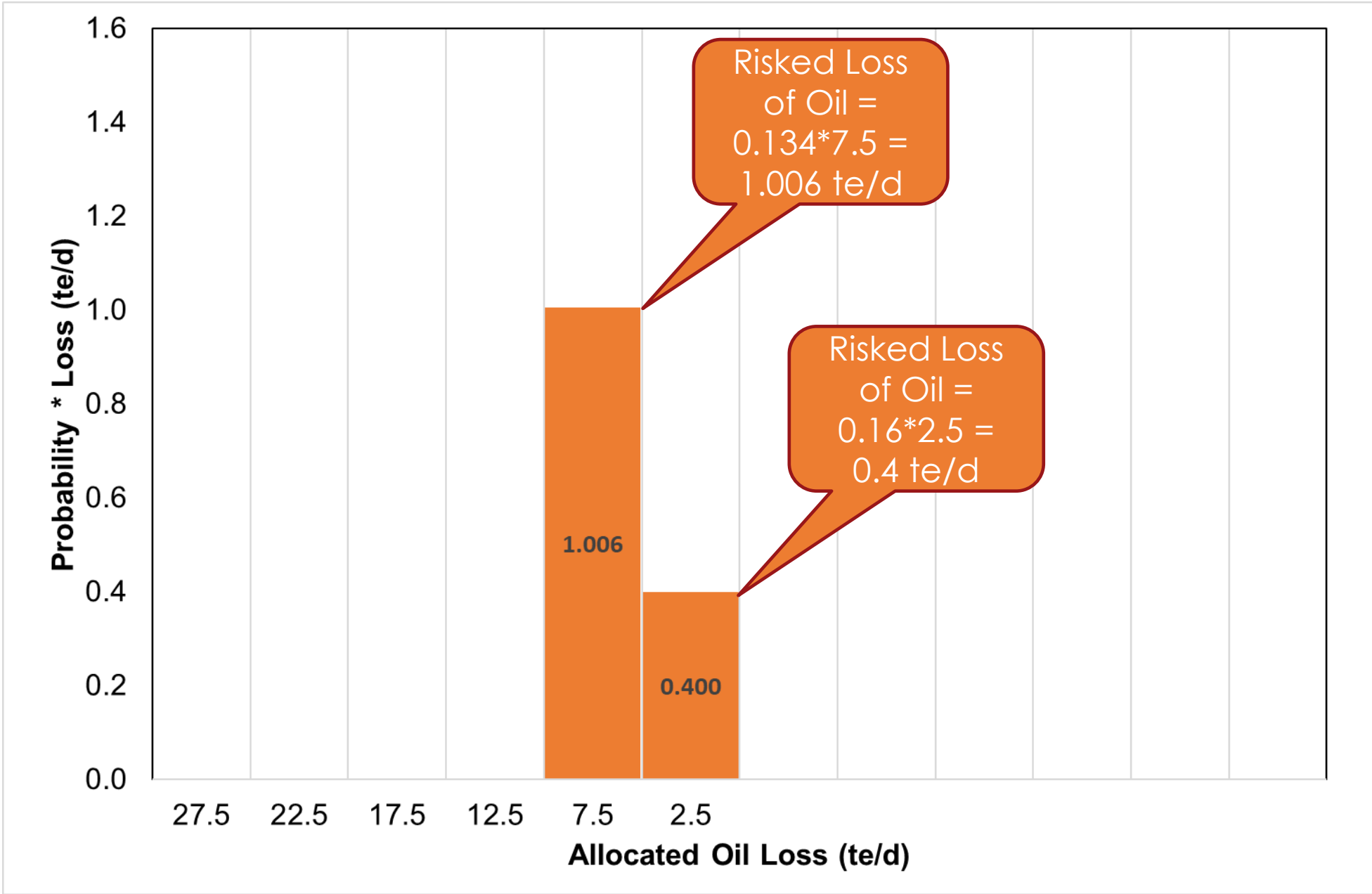
Pain of loss ~ twice joy of gain

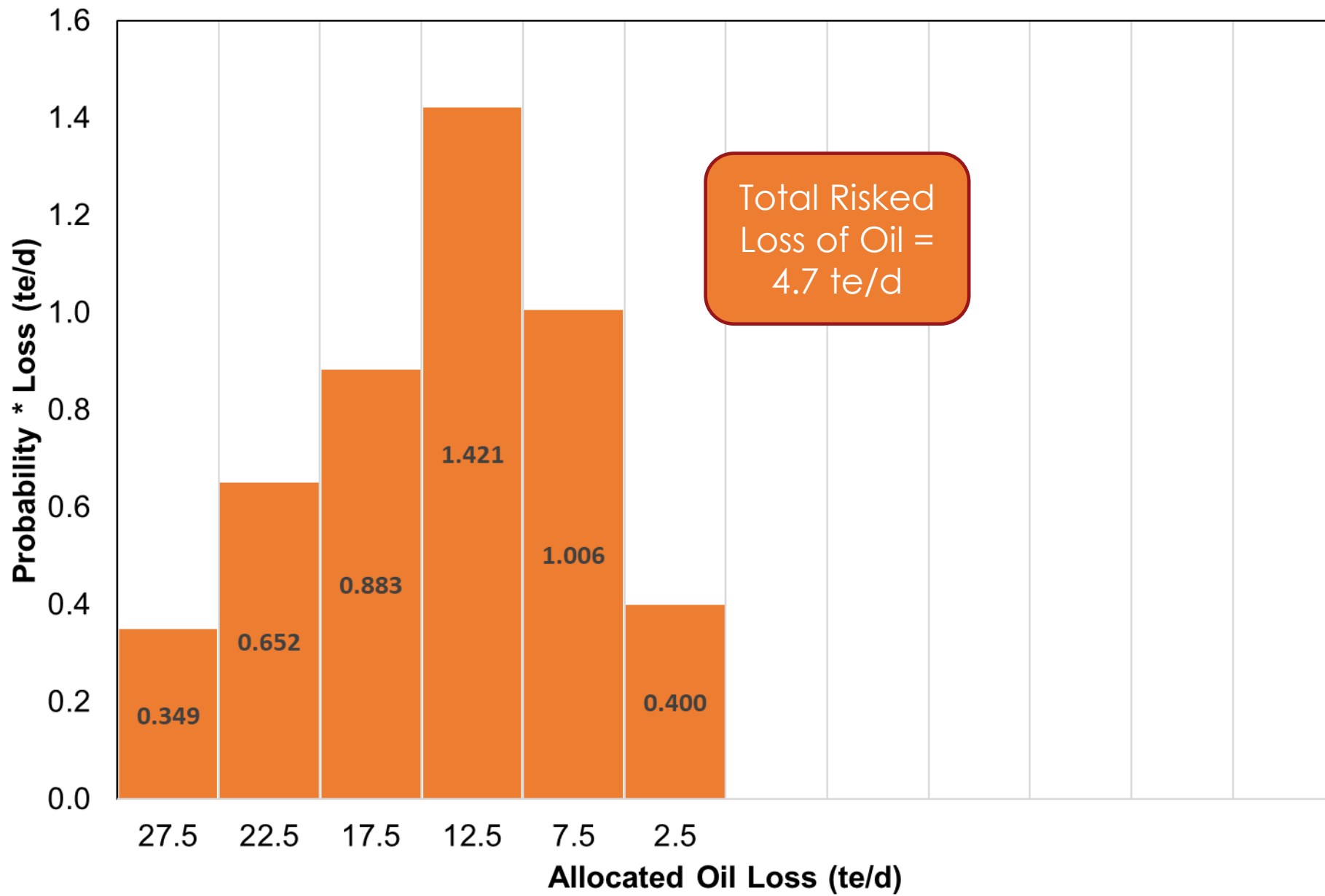


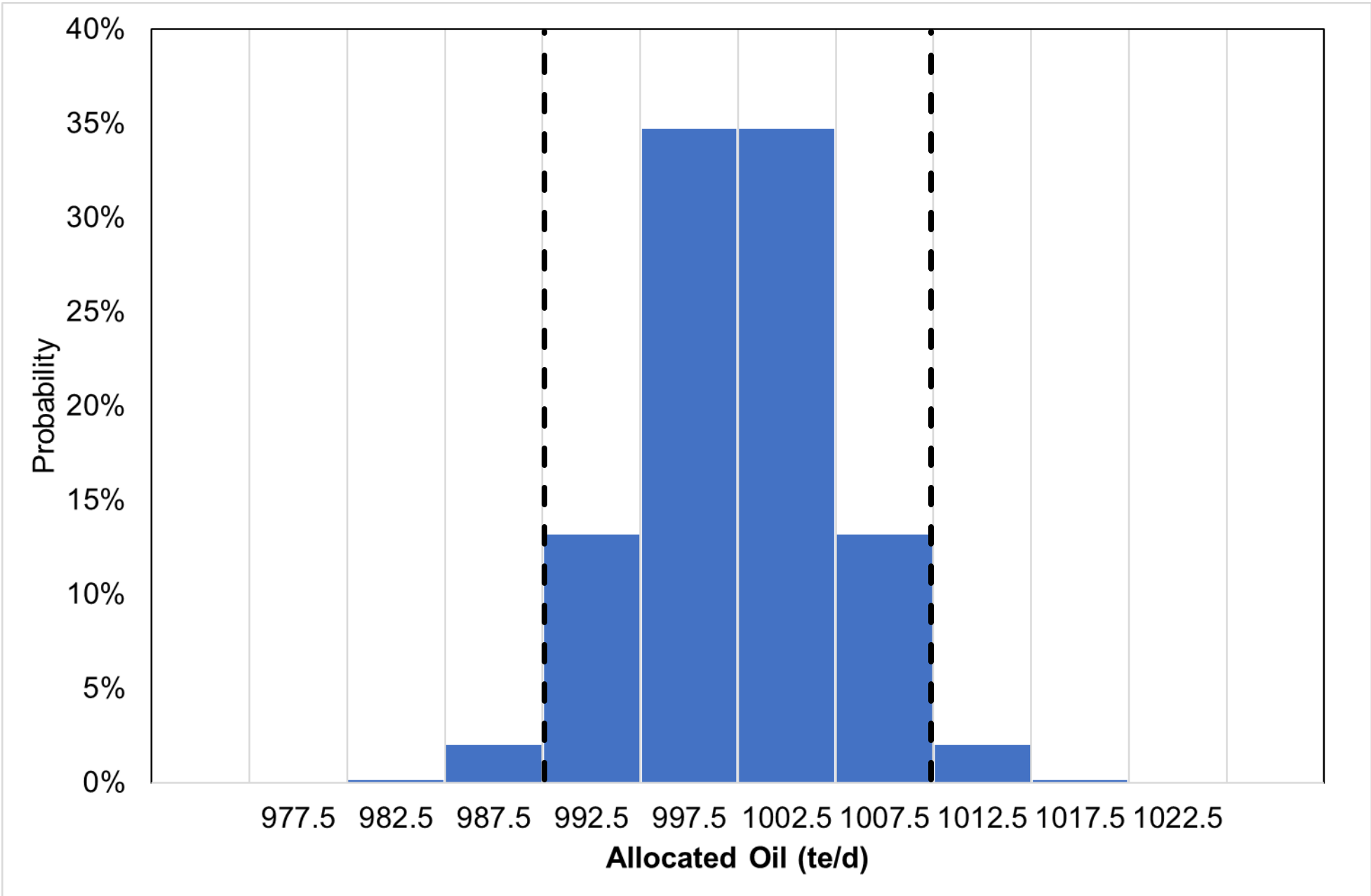


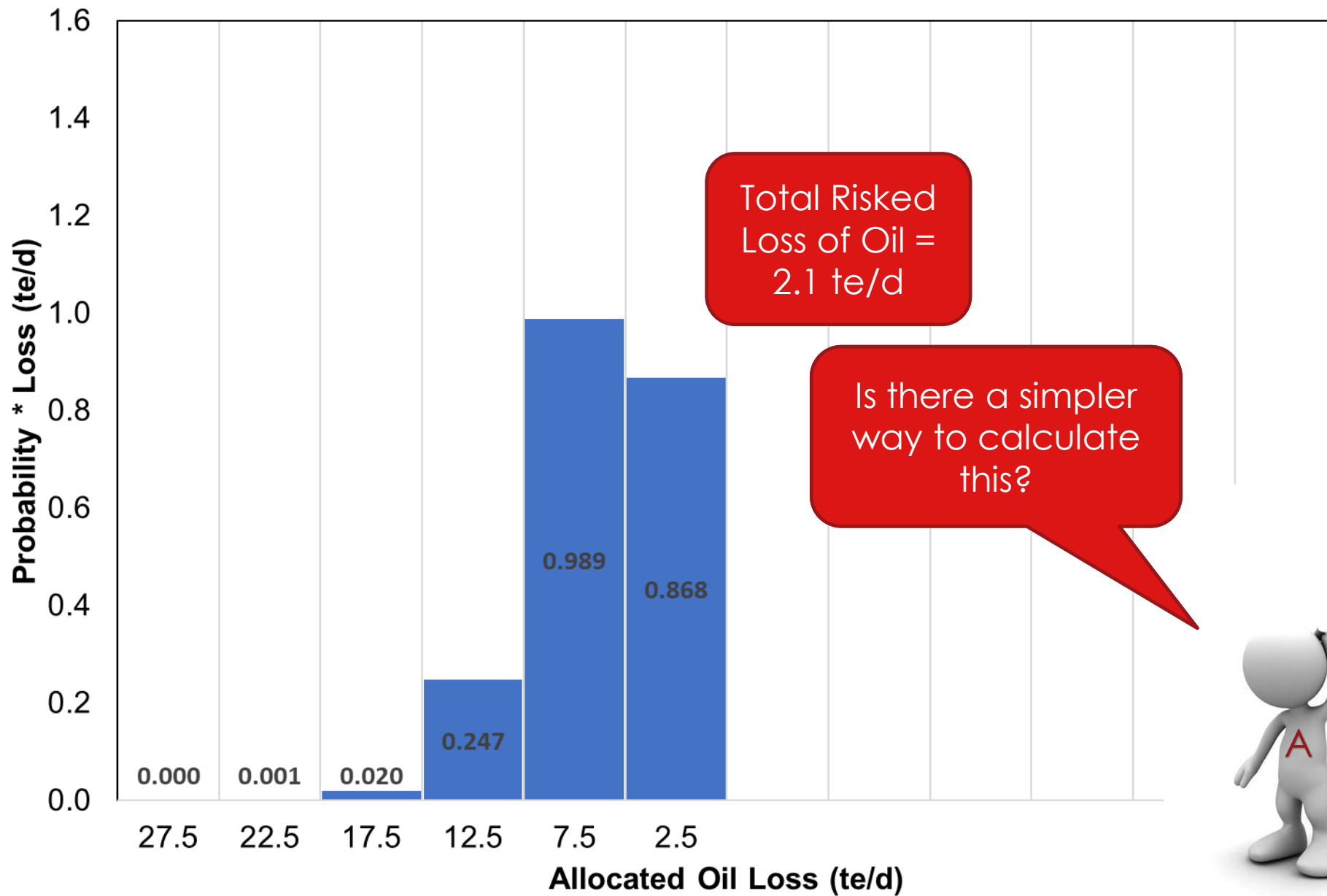


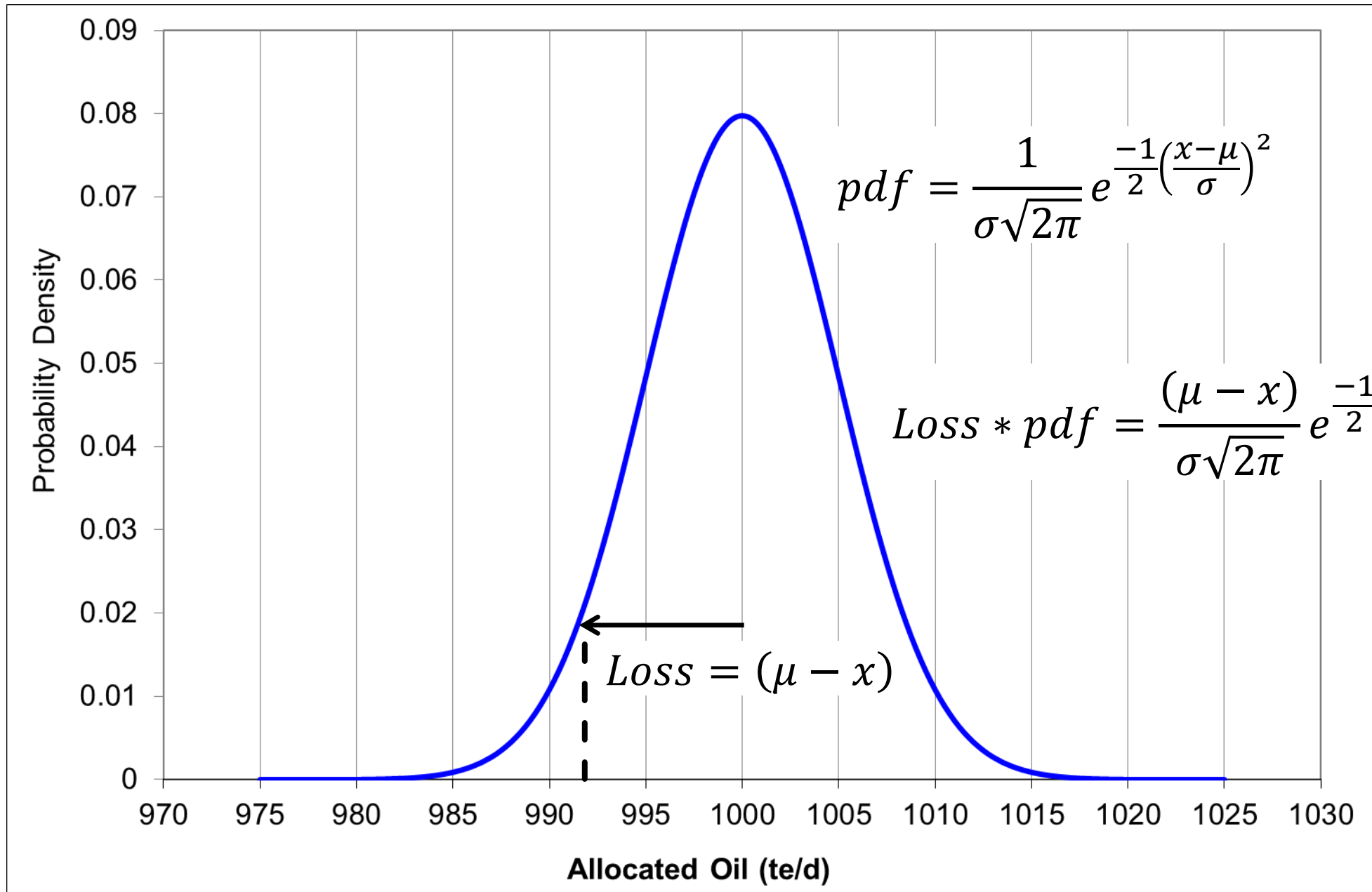


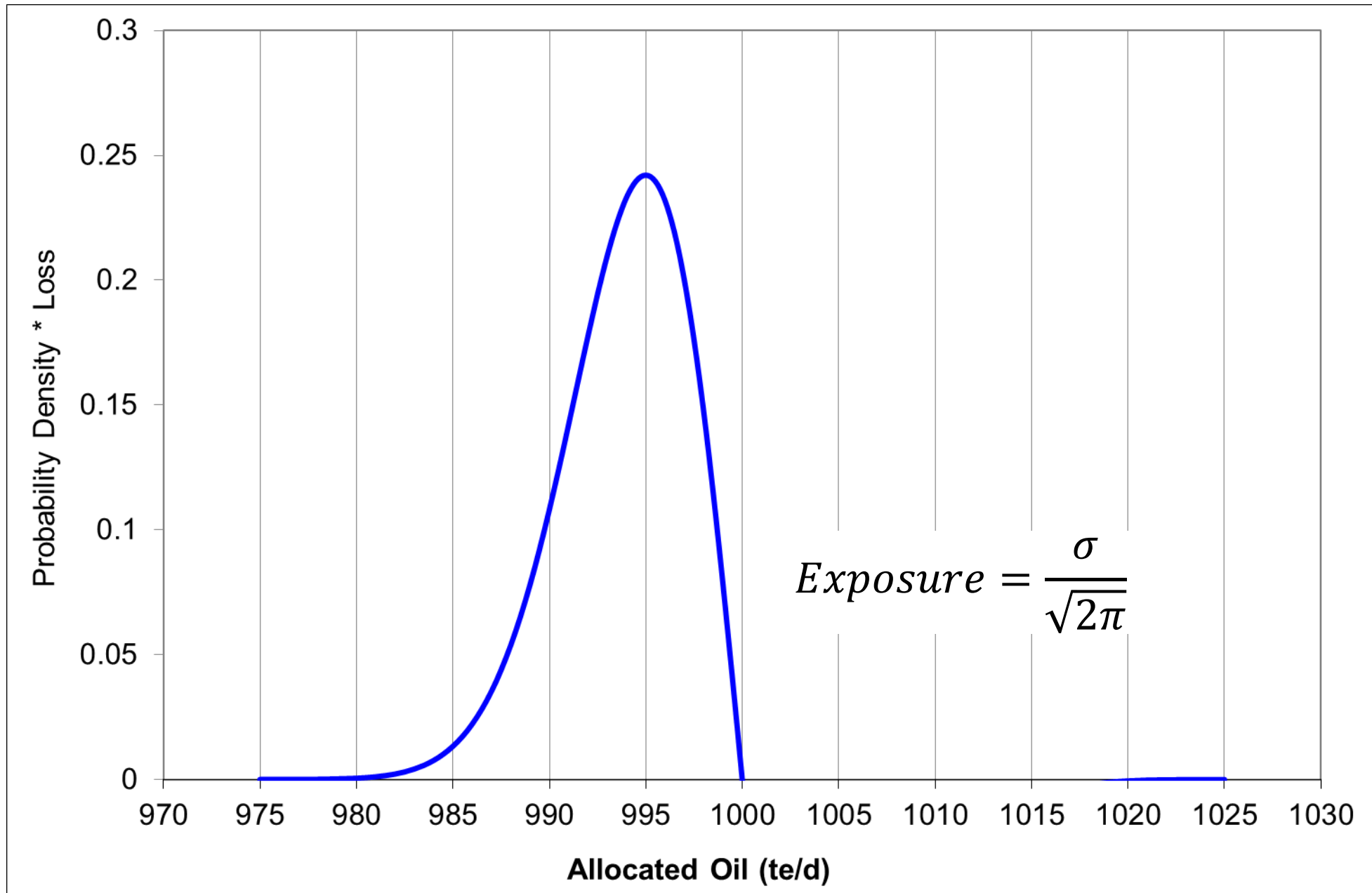


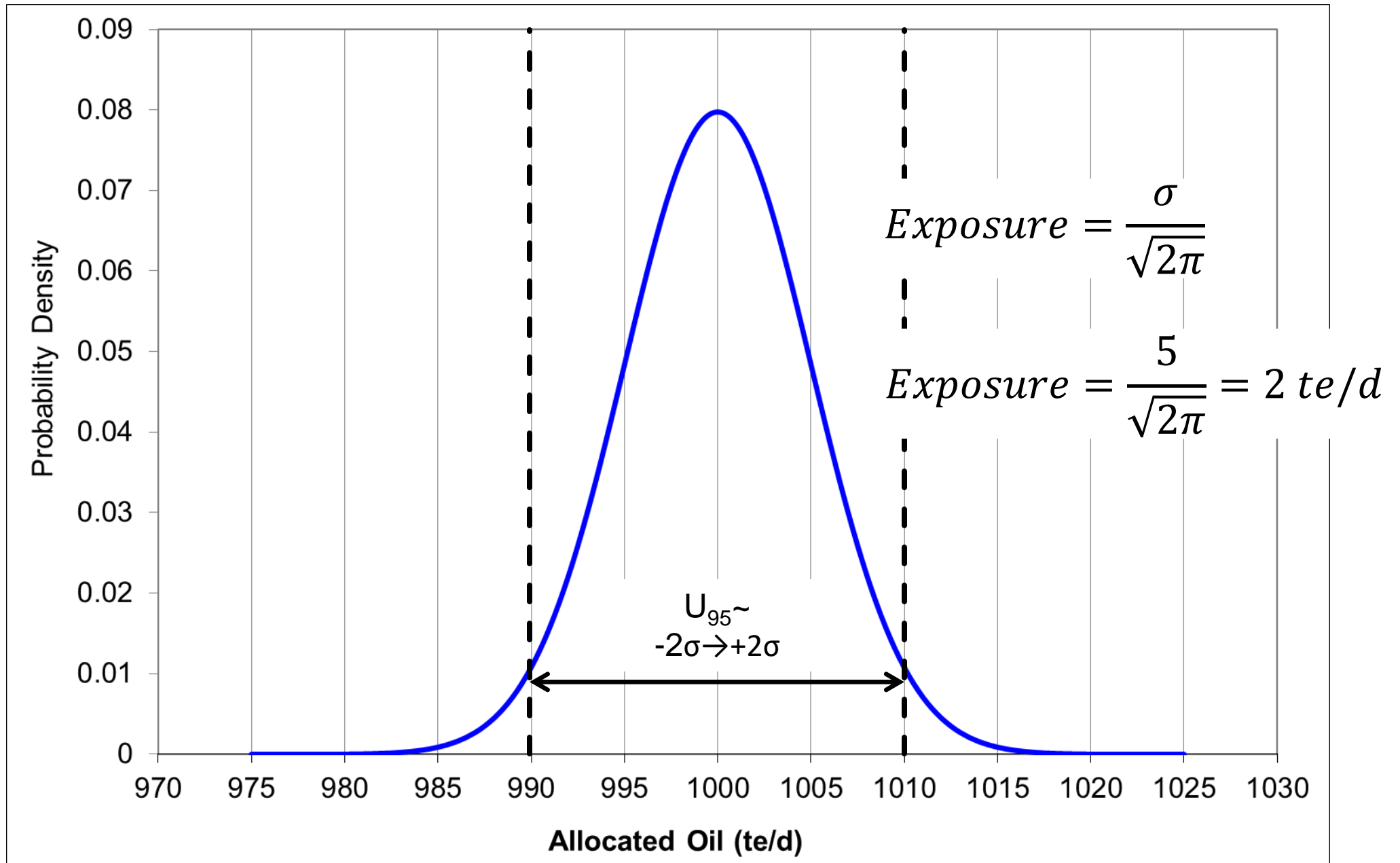


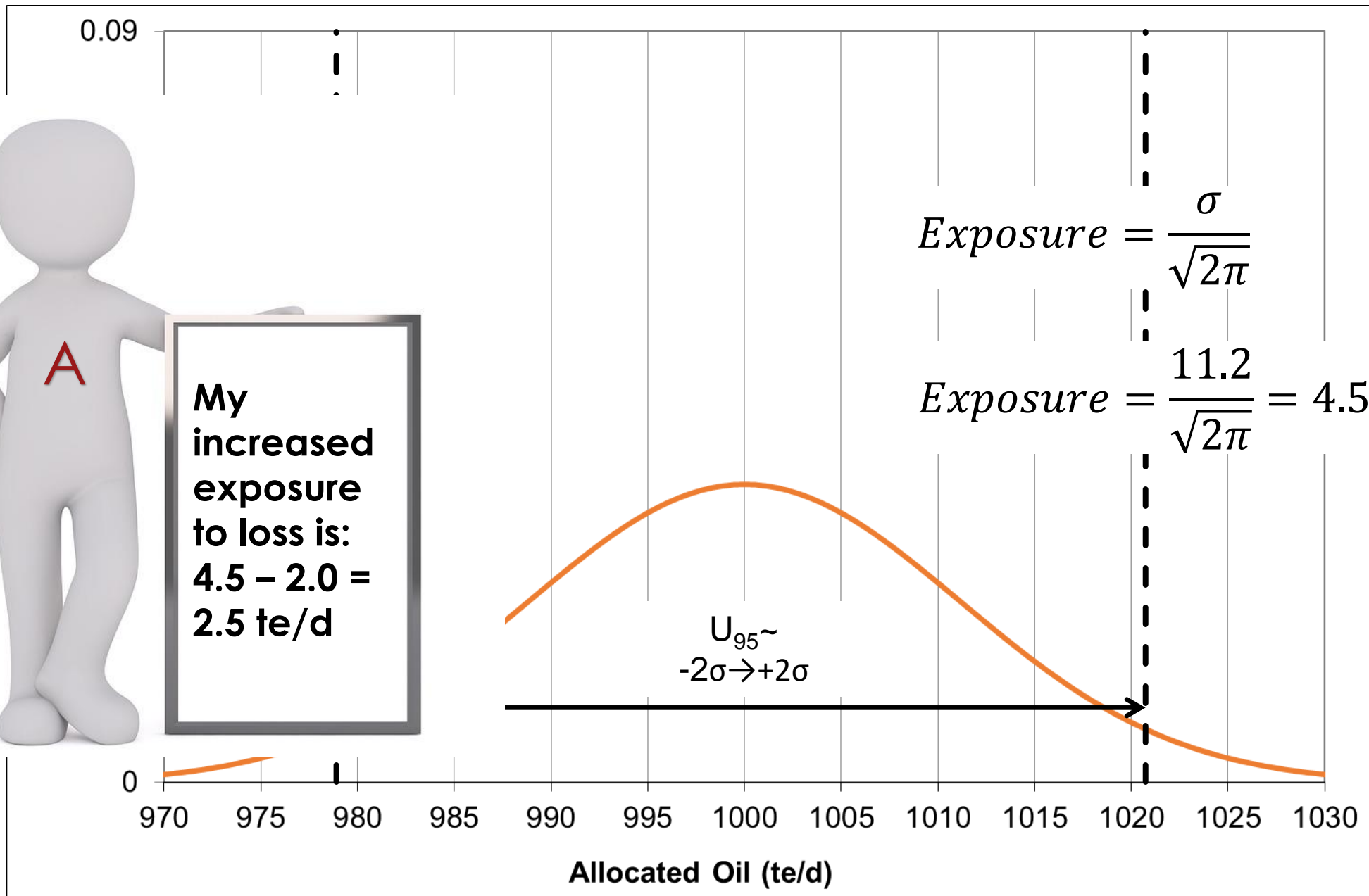
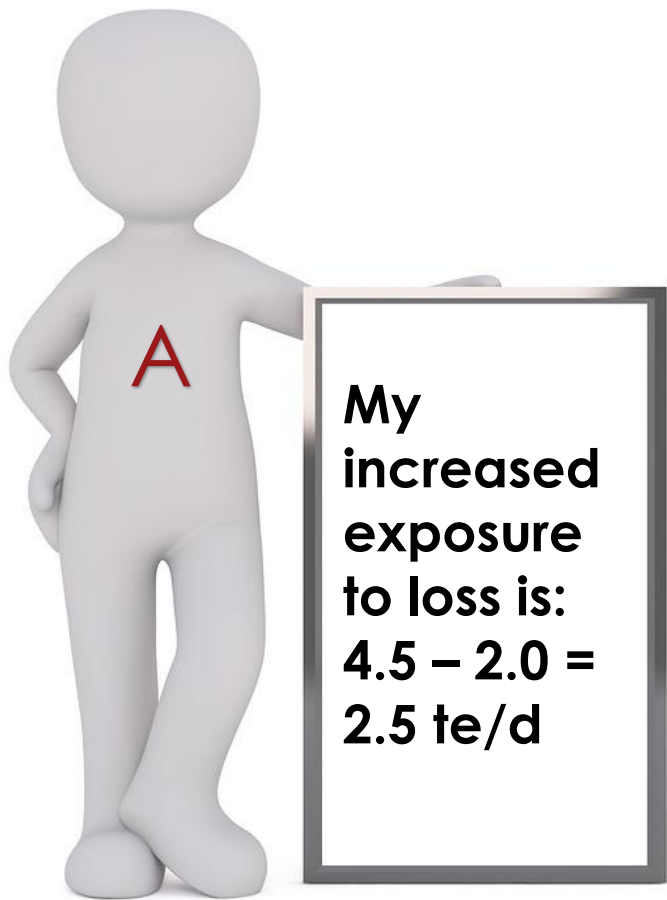












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$$\textit{Exposure to Loss} = \frac{U_k}{k\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

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

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



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NORSOK standard 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 is unreasonable to use as a reference for a low uncertainty concept.

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uncertainty
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 C_B total life cycle costs concept B
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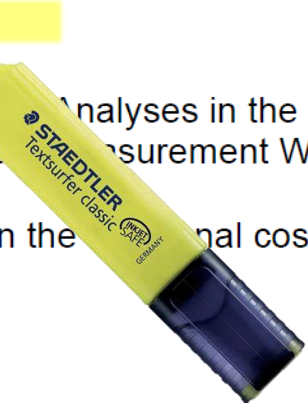
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UK OGA (Now NSTA) Guidelines

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

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

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

⁷ 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

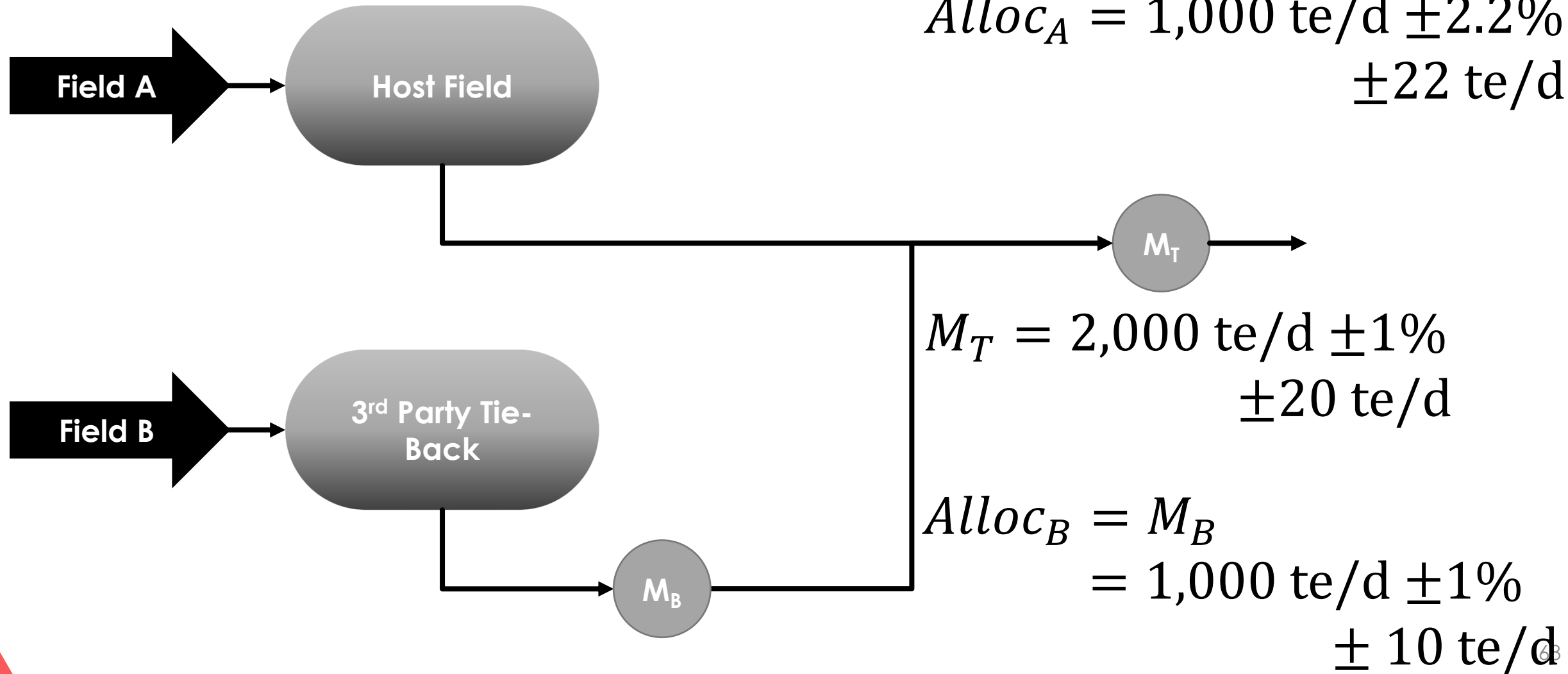
⁸ <https://info.nstano.no/documents/north-sea-flow-measurement-workshop/>



Previous Example Allocation Uncertainty

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$$Alloc_A = 1,000 \text{ te/d} \pm 2.2\% \\ \pm 22 \text{ te/d}$$

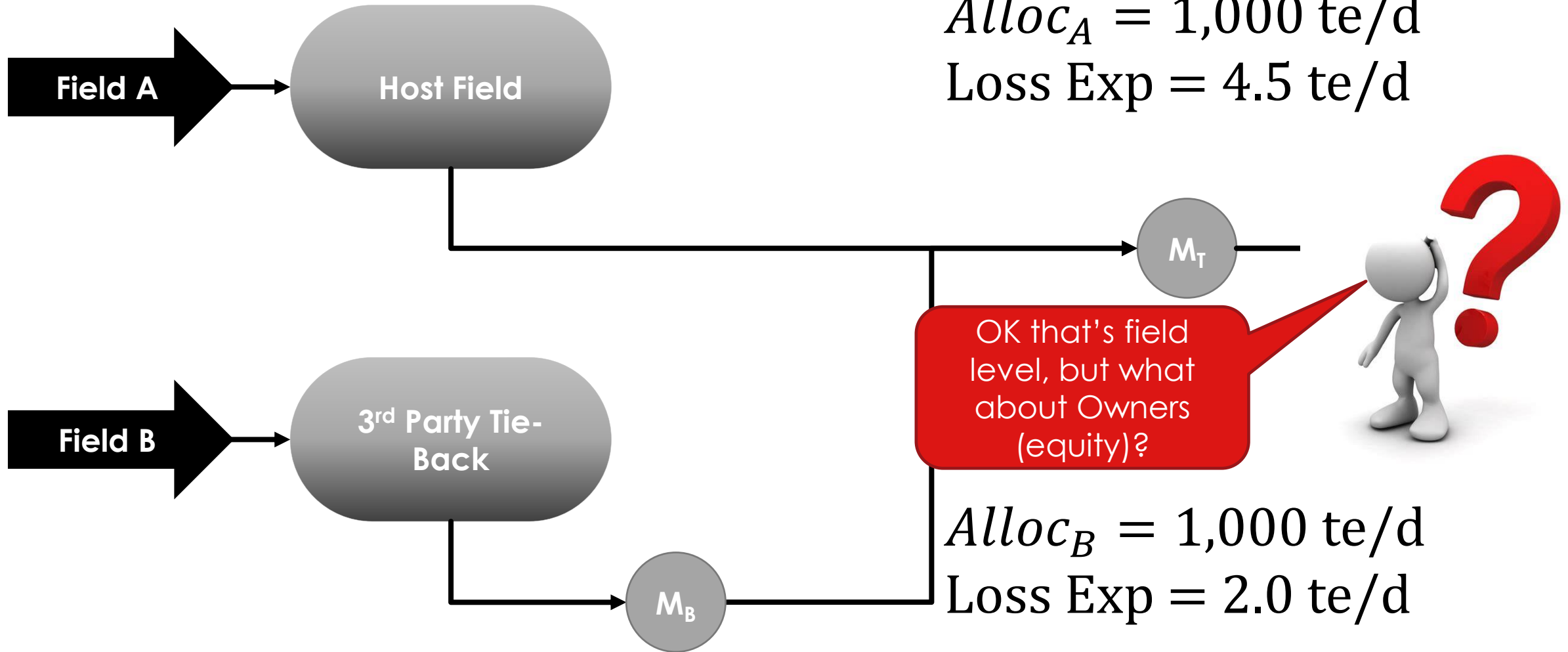


Previous Example Loss Exposure

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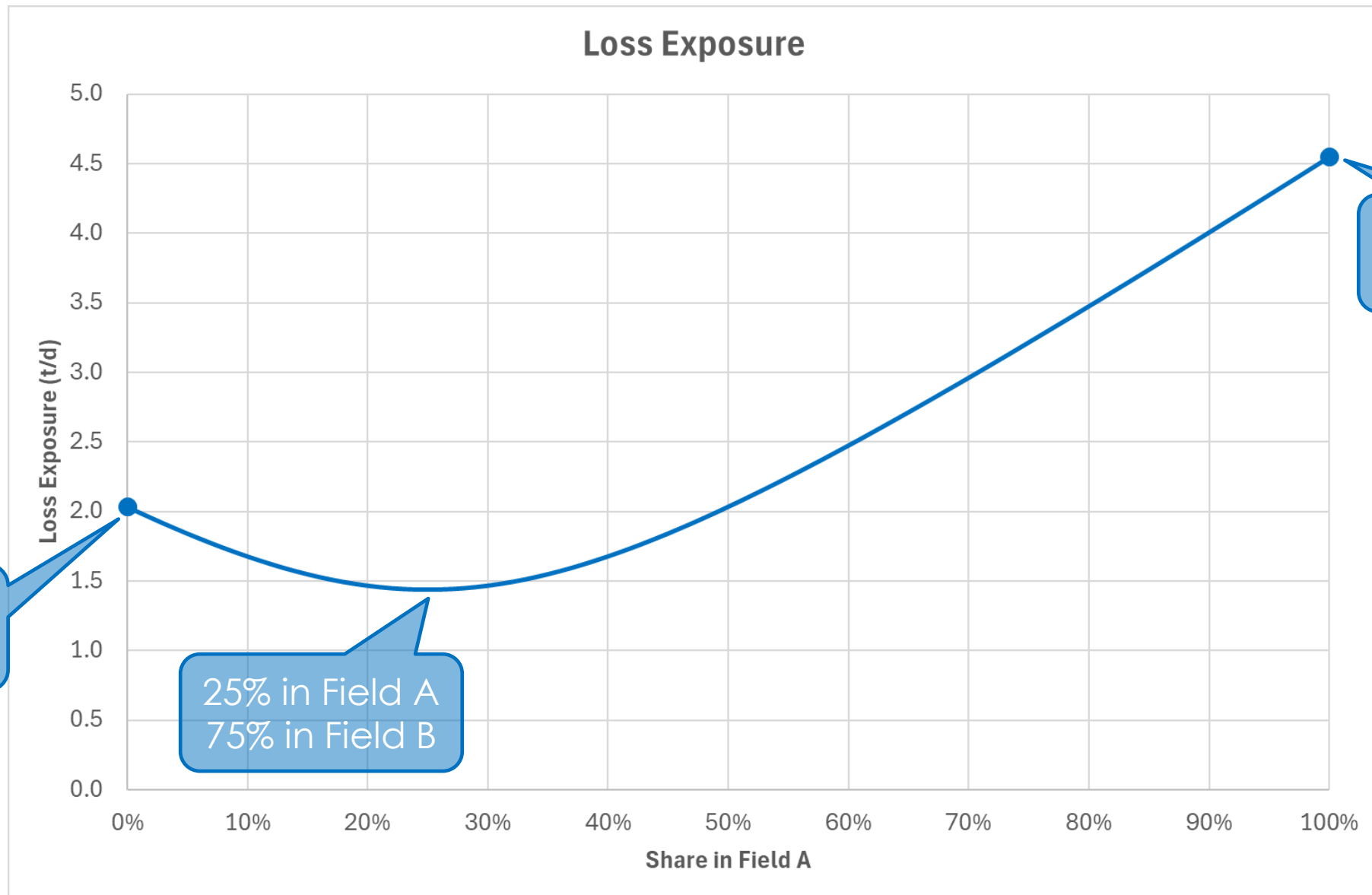
$$\text{Loss Exp} = 4.5 \text{ te/d}$$



$$Alloc_B = 1,000 \text{ te/d}$$

$$\text{Loss Exp} = 2.0 \text{ te/d}$$

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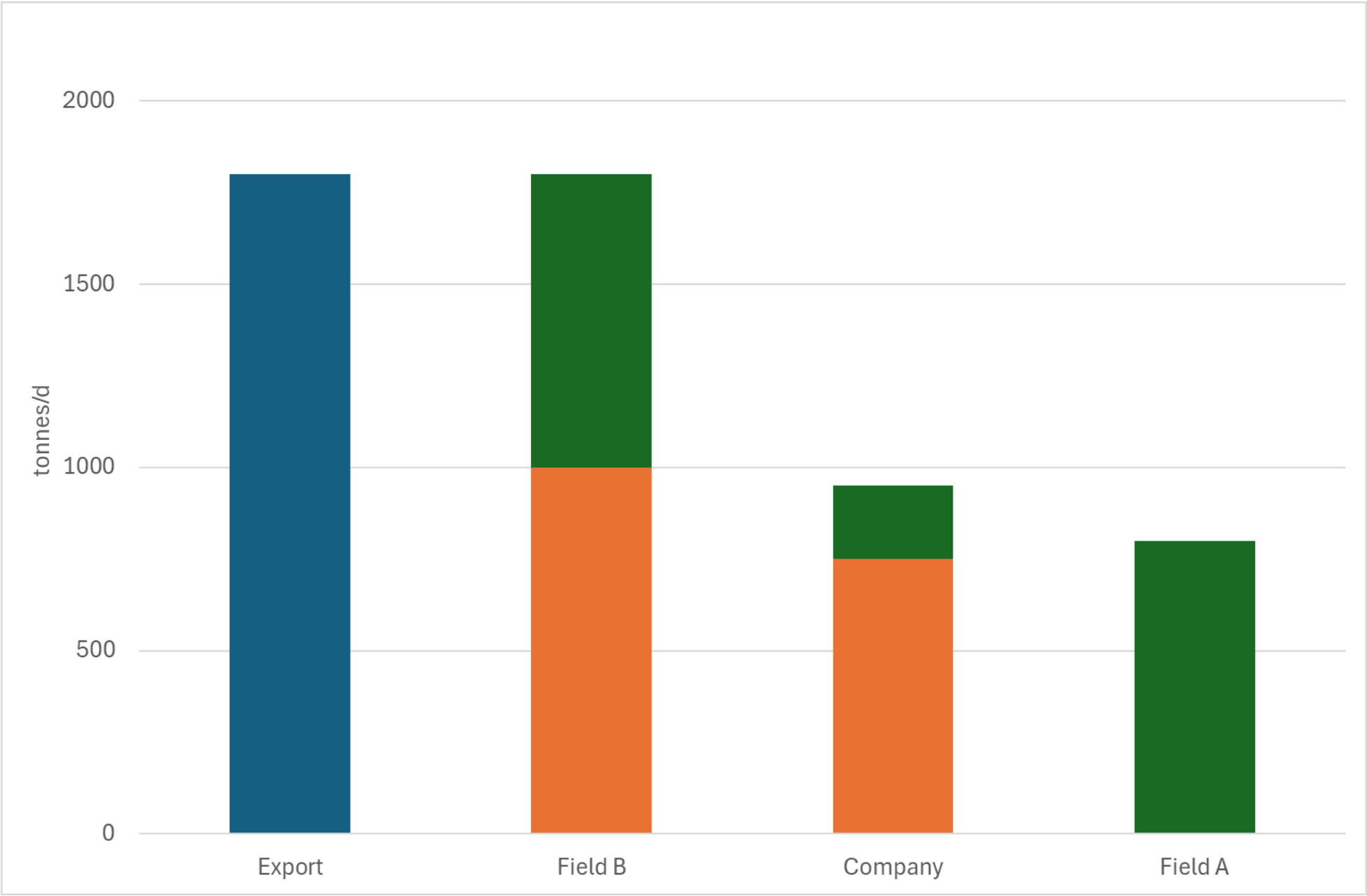


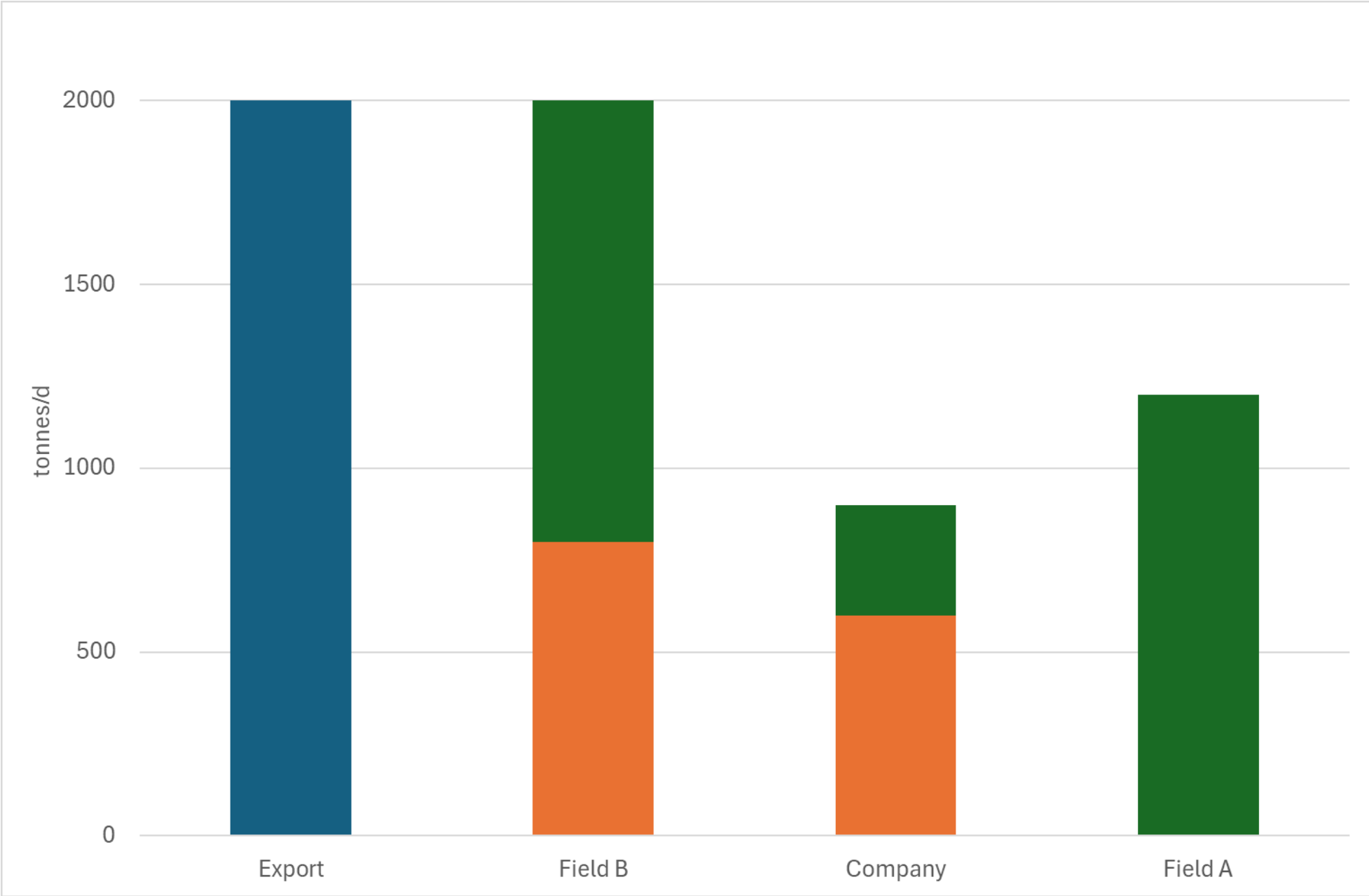
100% in
Field B

25% in Field A
75% in Field B

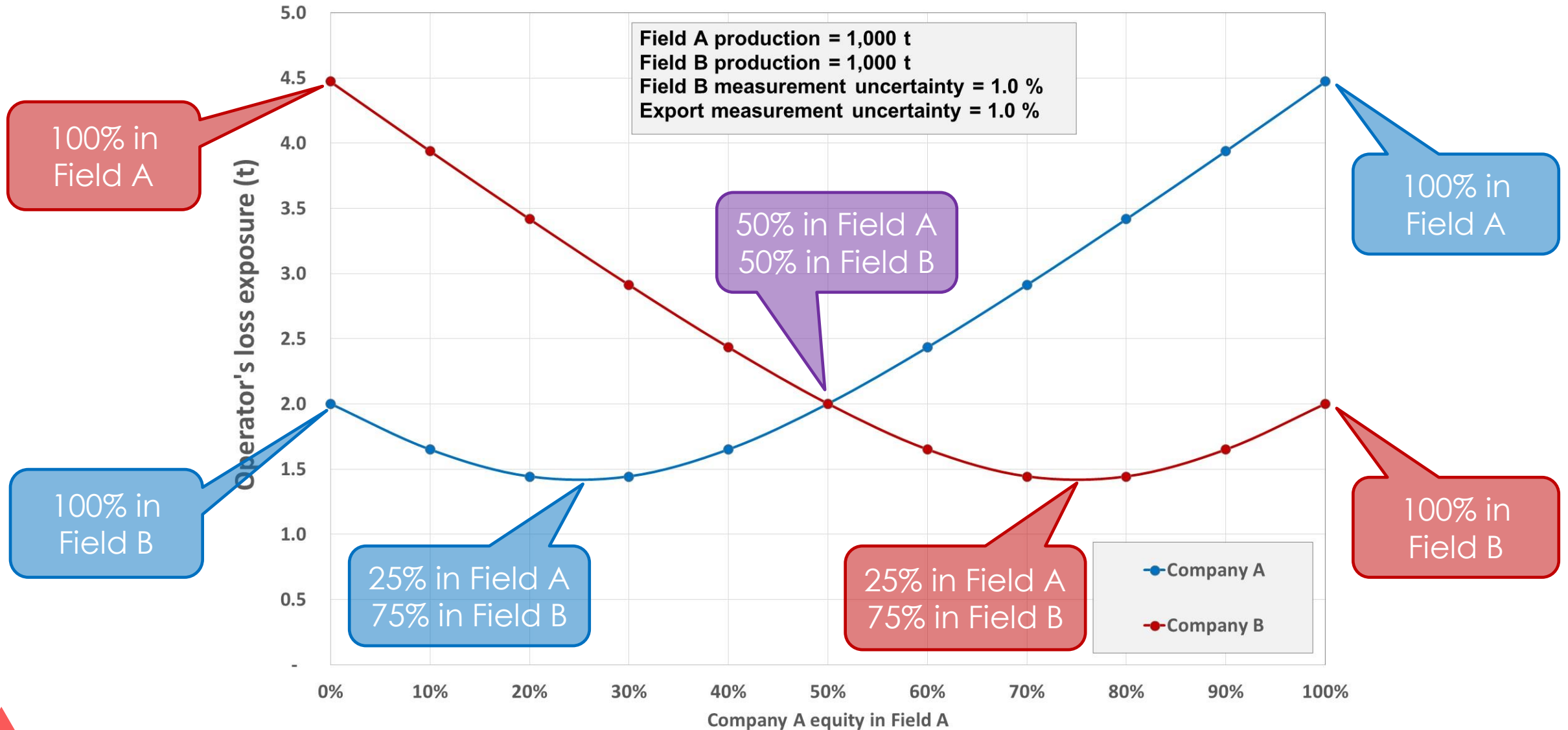
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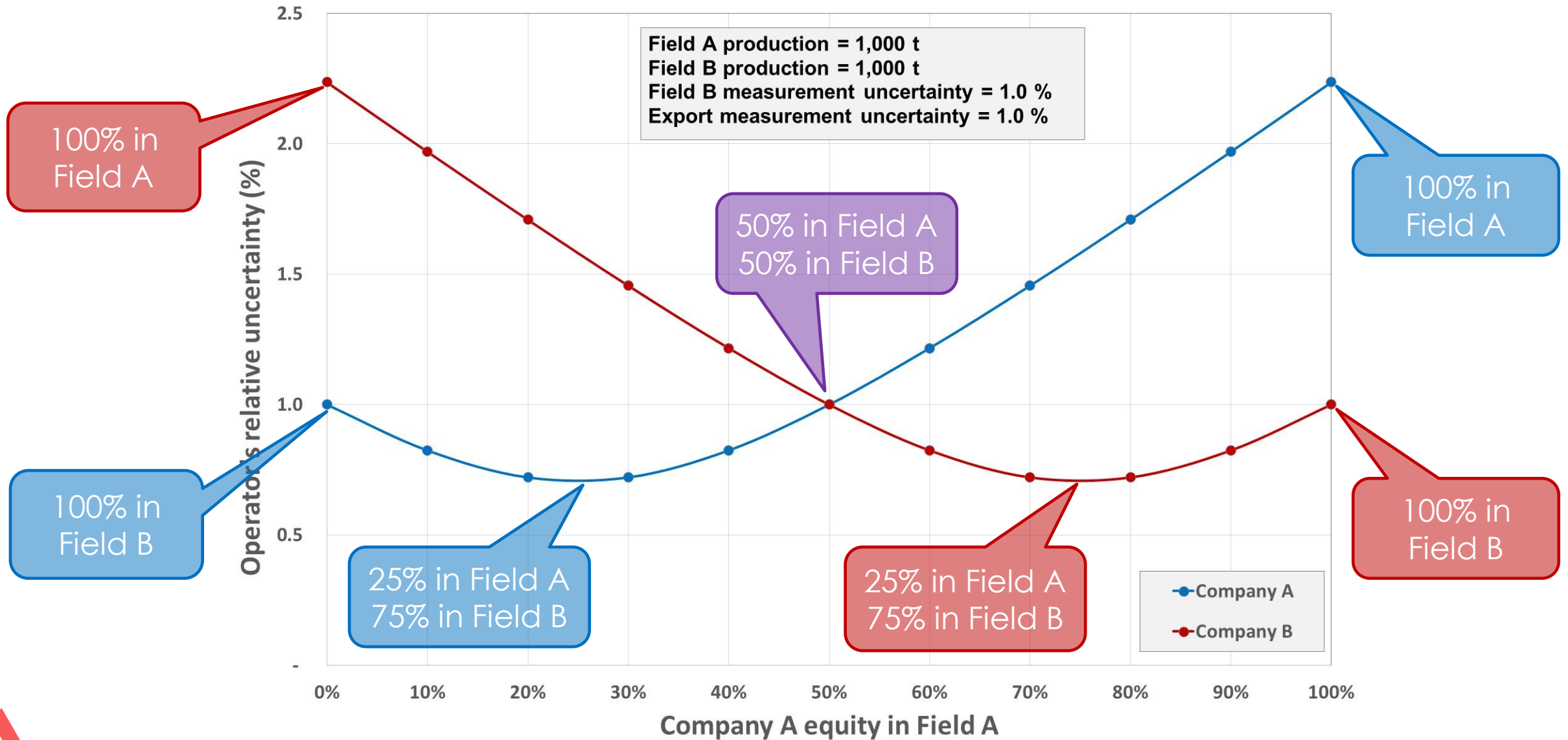




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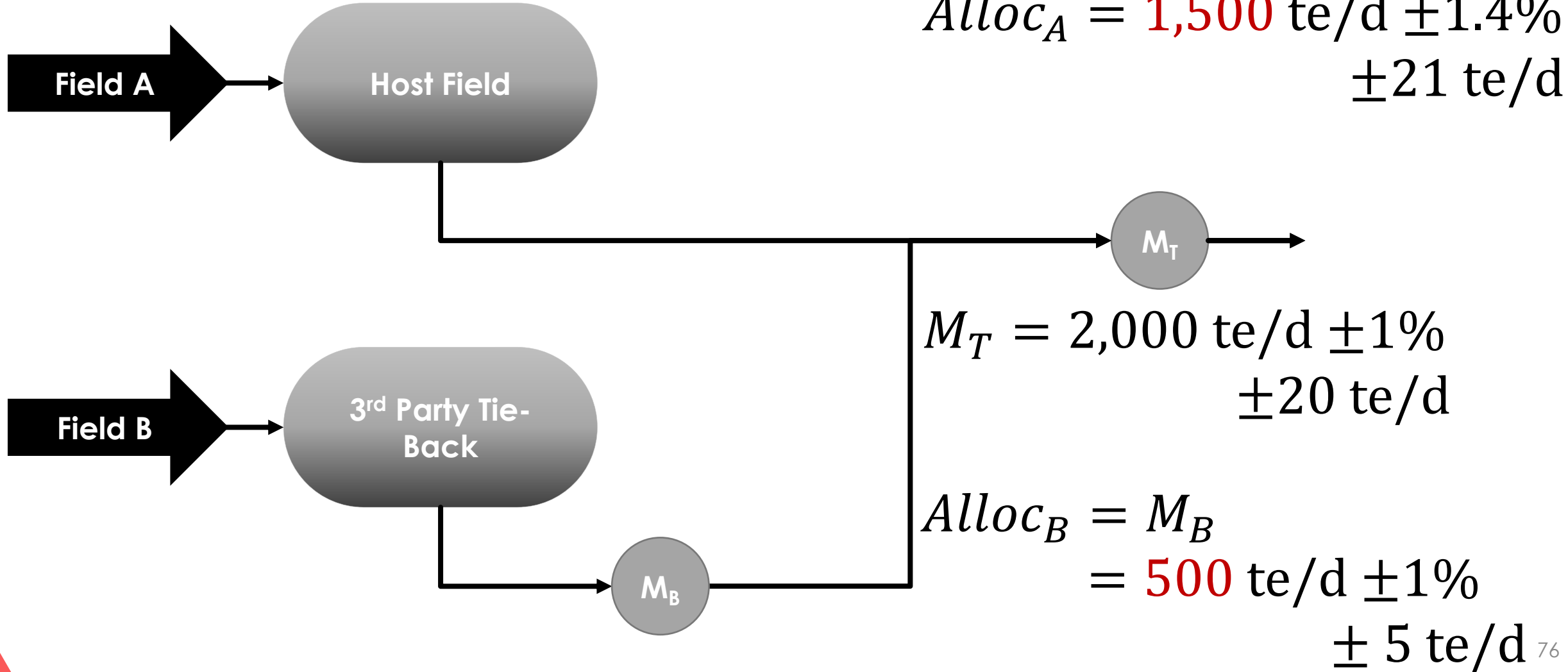


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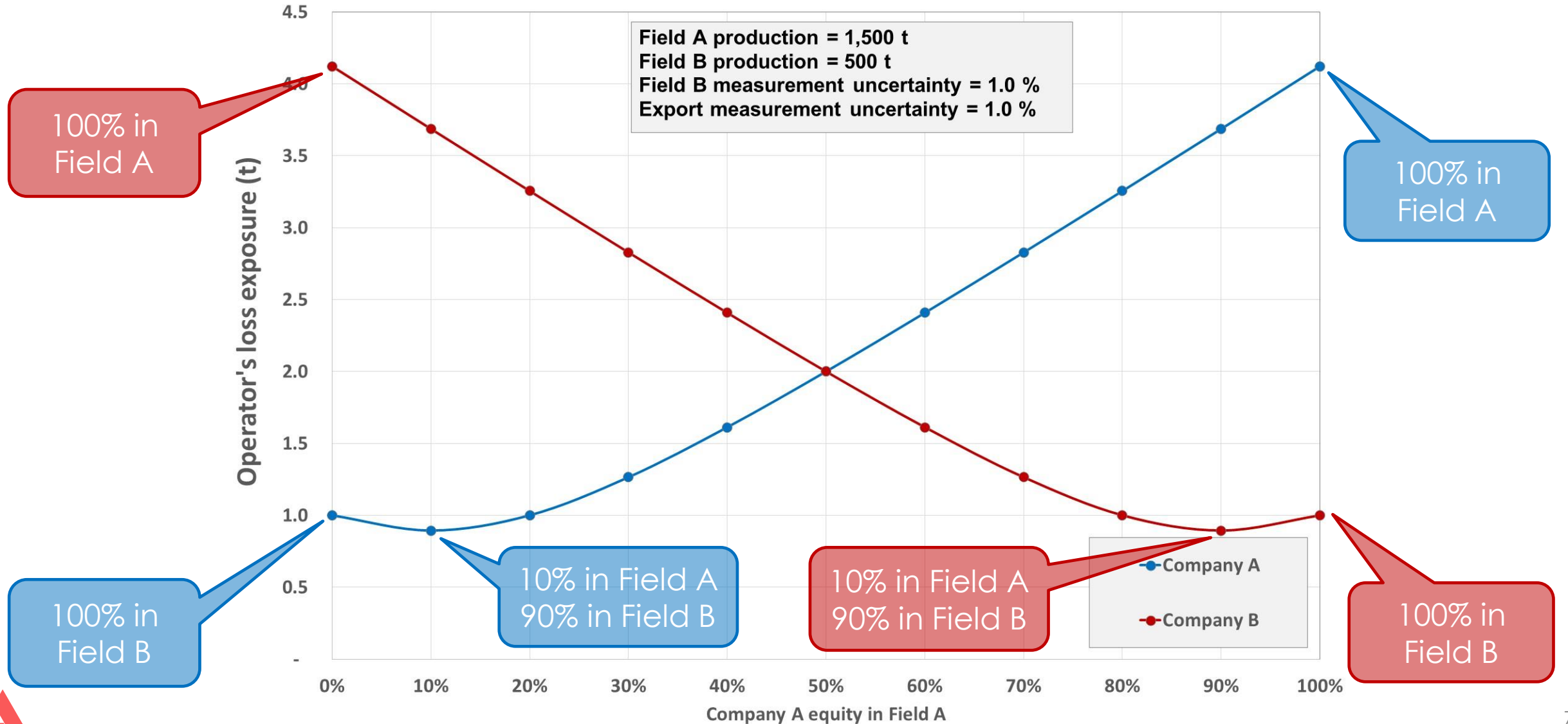
- How does exposure for each Operator vary with...
 - Production rates?
 - Meter uncertainties?



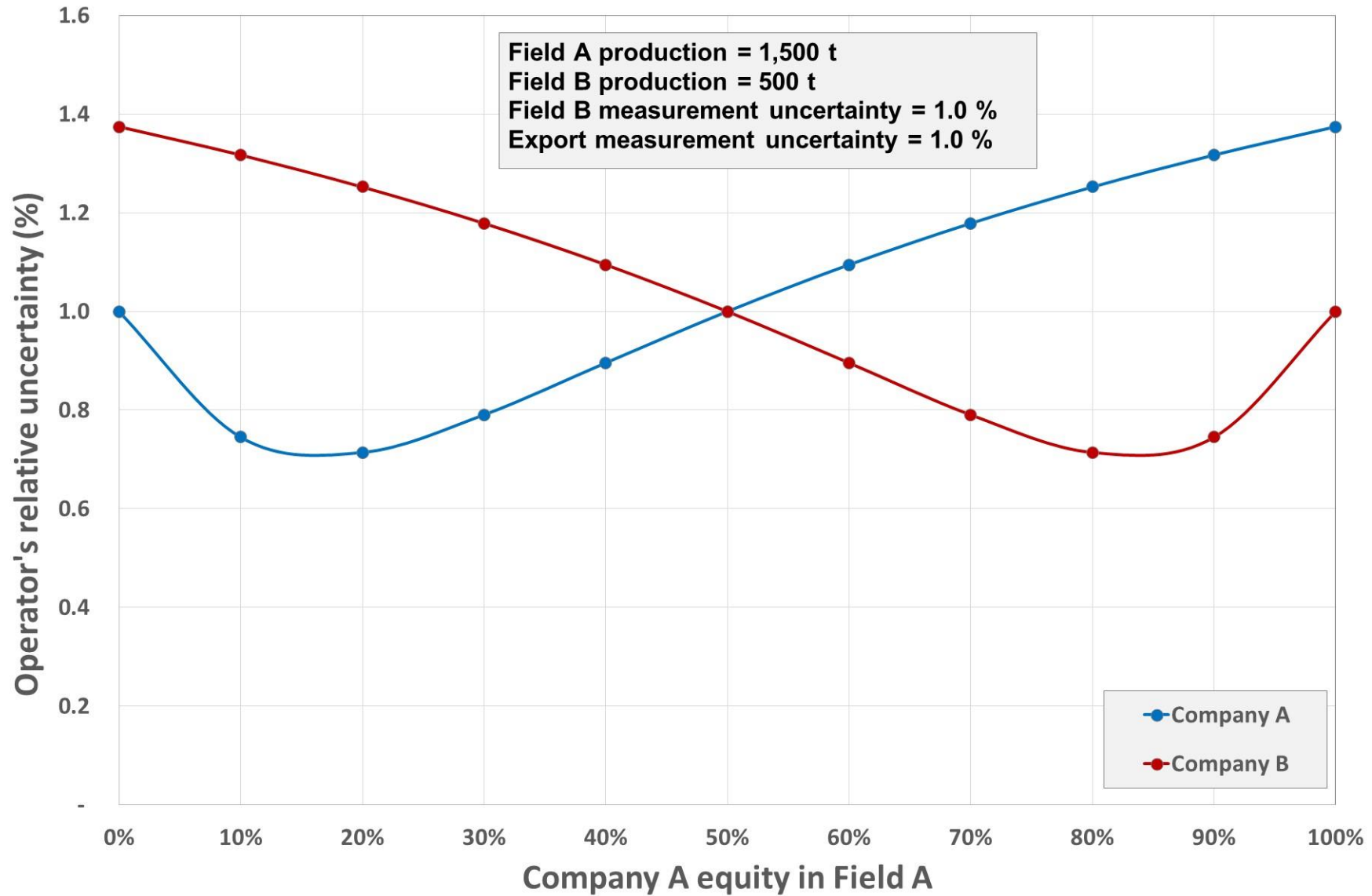
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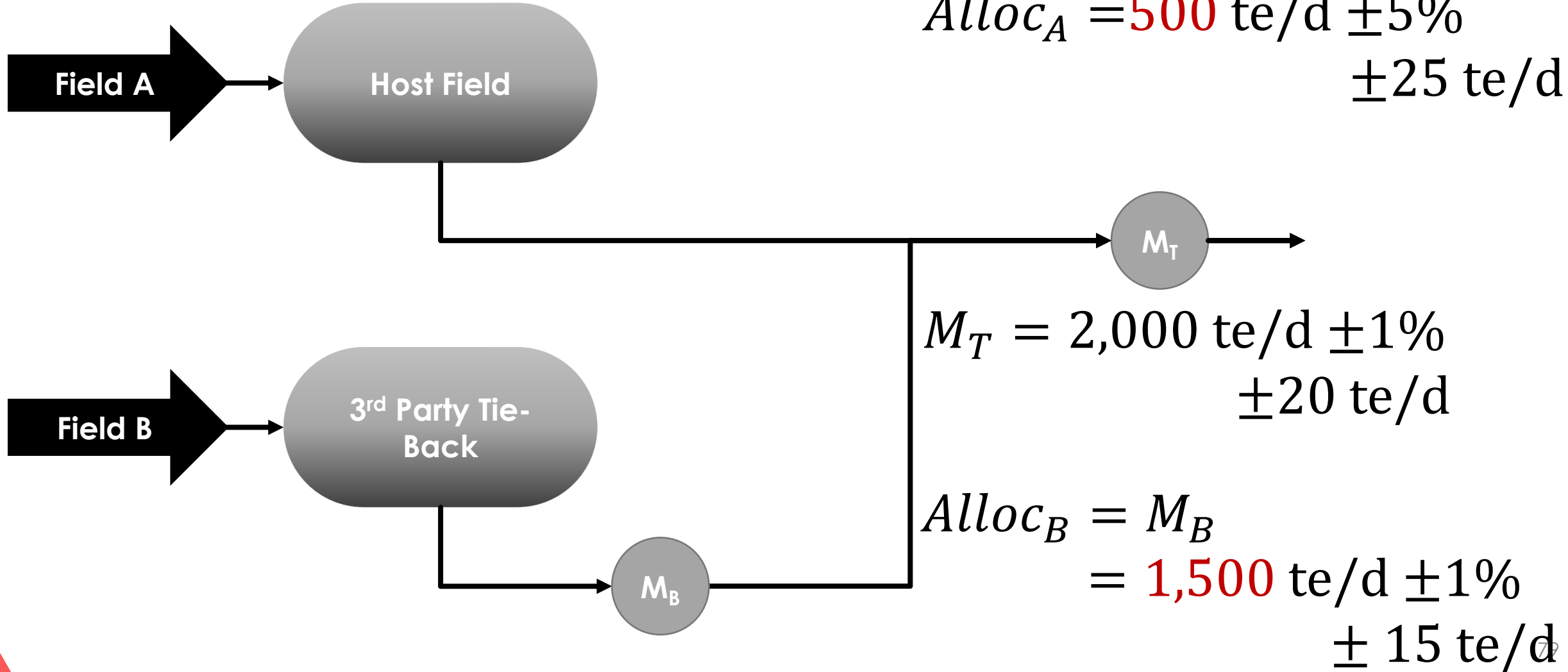
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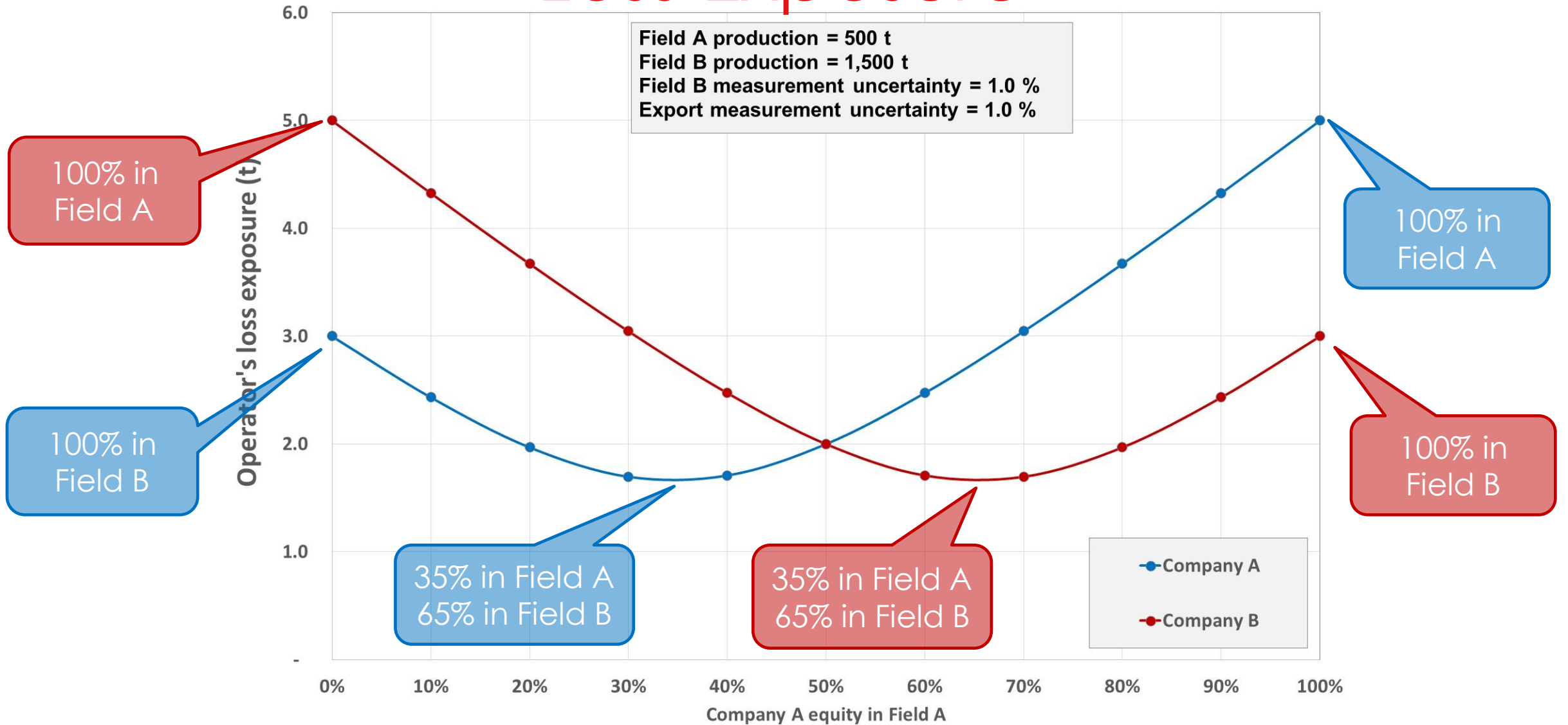
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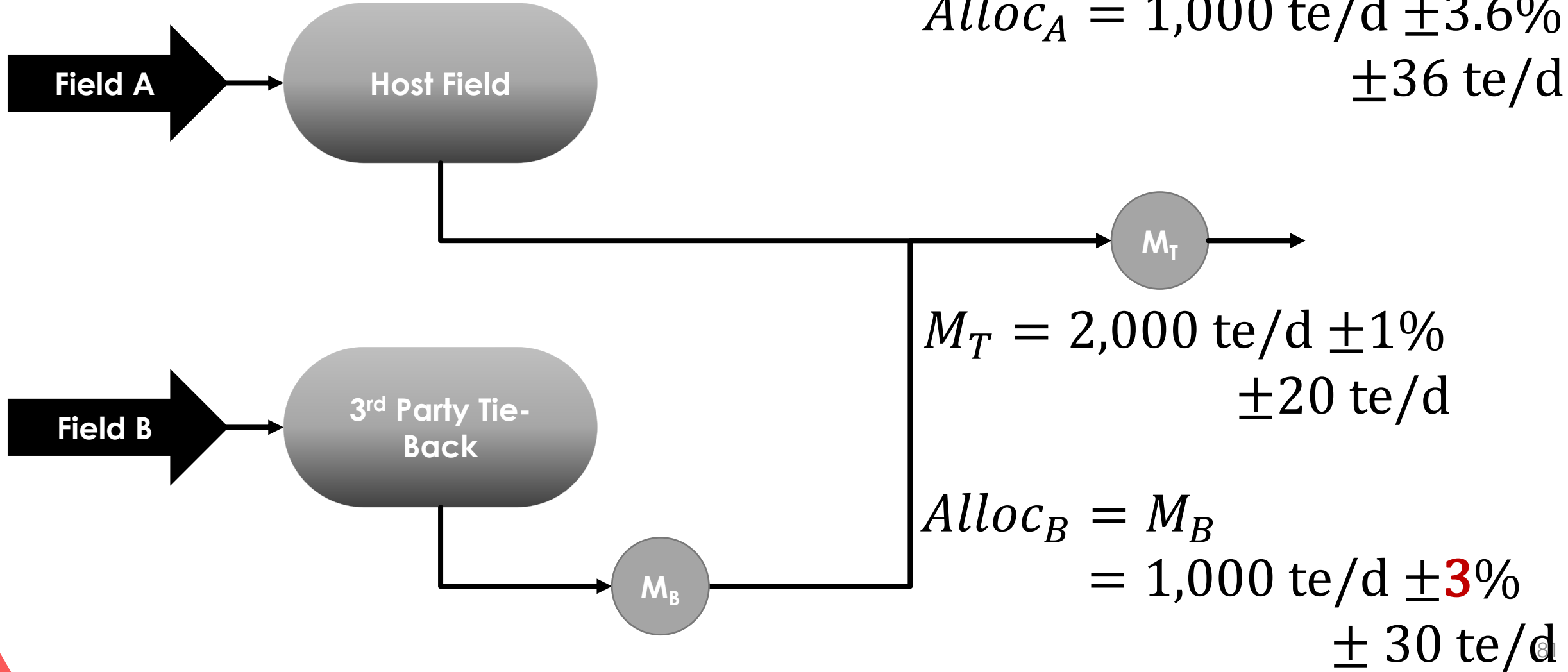
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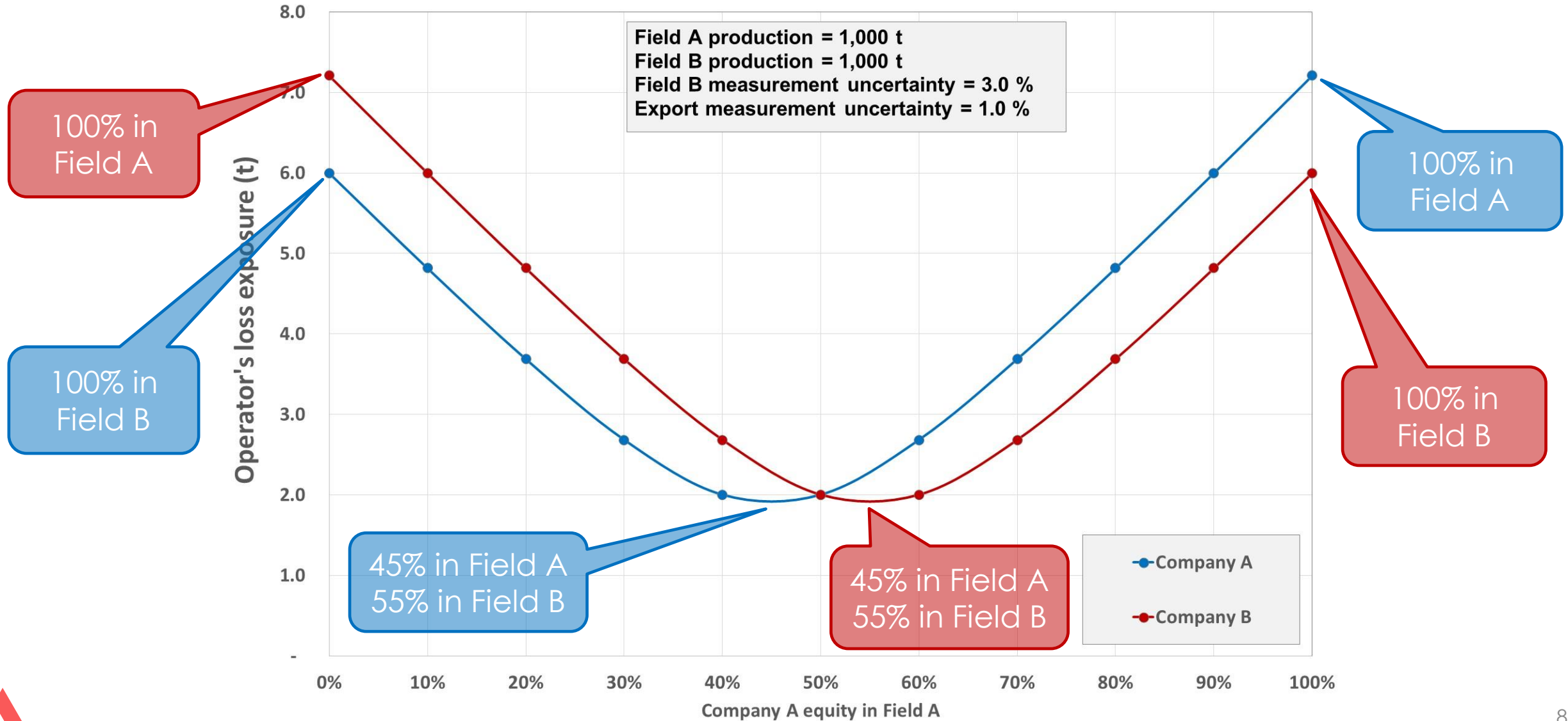
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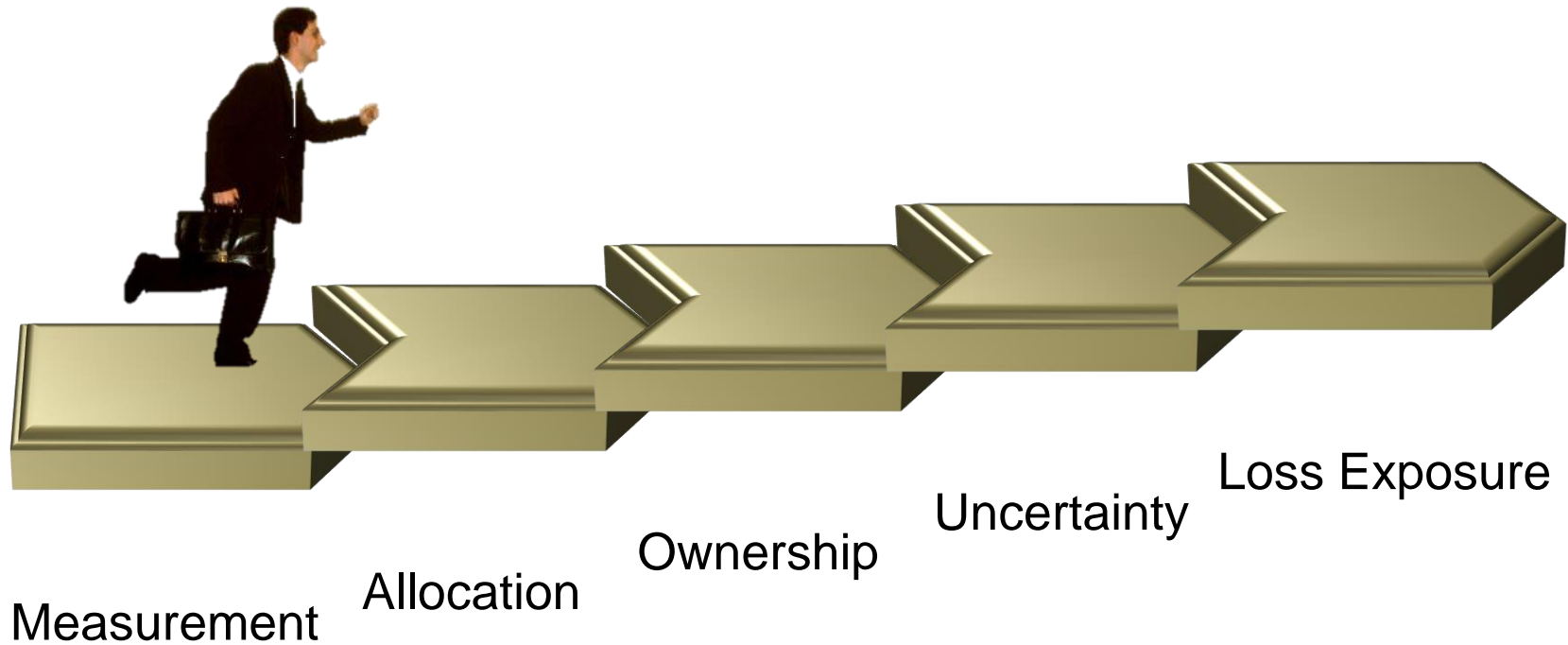
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Loss Exposure



Value Realisation and Loss Exposure





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The Stockton Factor | Total Theatre Magazine Print Archive

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Factor X Stockton: a mild bleeding diathesis associated ...

by TL Messier · 1996 · Cited by 17 — Bleeding in family members with the mutation, termed factor X Stockton, appears to be due to **disruption of normal hemostasis** by the presence in...



Spotify

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factors, which include:

- The process being modelled.
- The information obtained from the model (e.g. **shrinkage factor**, **expansion factor** **recovery factor**, etc.).

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