

Fukushima Unit 2 (2F) Alarm Limits

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- Introduction
- Alarm Limit Options
- General Procedure
- Data Requirements
- Data Used for 2F
- How the Data Was Used
- Setting the Limits
- Using the Process
- Causes for Alarms
- Future



Introduction

➤ History of PEPSE at 2F

- Units 1-4 models developed early 2008
- Units 1-4 models tuned to plant data 2009 – design mode

➤ How Alarm Project Got Started

- Discussions and alarm project definition, 2008-2009
- Project start mid 2009

➤ Future

- Units 1-4 models tuned to plant data 2010 – perf mode
- 2F Unit 1 alarms after turbine replacement



Alarm Limit Options

- **Limits Based on Plant Experience and Knowledge**
 - Arbitrary
 - Vary from plant to plant
- **Limits Based on 1st Principles**
 - Design mode components
 - Use design mode tuning factors
- **Limits Based on Historical Data**
 - Over time
 - Averages, min/max, statistical, other



General Procedure

- **Build PEPSE Models**
- **Collect Data (1 month -> 2 years)**
- **Review Data for Applicability**
- **Define Average or Trend**
 - **Average for static data**
 - **Trend for varying data**
- **Establish Alarm Limits**
- **Define Procedure for Use**

PEPSE Models

- **2F Units 1-4 Developed in January/February 2008**
 - Heat balance models
 - Models tuned to acceptance test data
 - Models with design mode components
- **Models Modified for This Effort**
 - Used models tuned to acceptance test data
 - Modified models using turbines tuned to plant data
 - Added additional “Special Outputs” to reflect stage pressure ratios



Data Requirements

- **Types of Data - P, T, MWe, MWt, flows**
- **Hardware**
 - **Turbines**
 - **Feedwater heaters and condensers**
 - **Pumps**
 - **Generator**
 - **Moisture separators and reheaters**
- **Amount – 2 years**
- **Accuracy (?)**



Data Used for 2F

➤ What We Used

- 24 months, 2 timestamps/month (7/31/07 – 7/31/09)
- 100+ tags/unit

➤ What We Didn't Use

- Redundant tags
- Bad data
- Not required for PEPSE
- Averages



How the Data Was Used

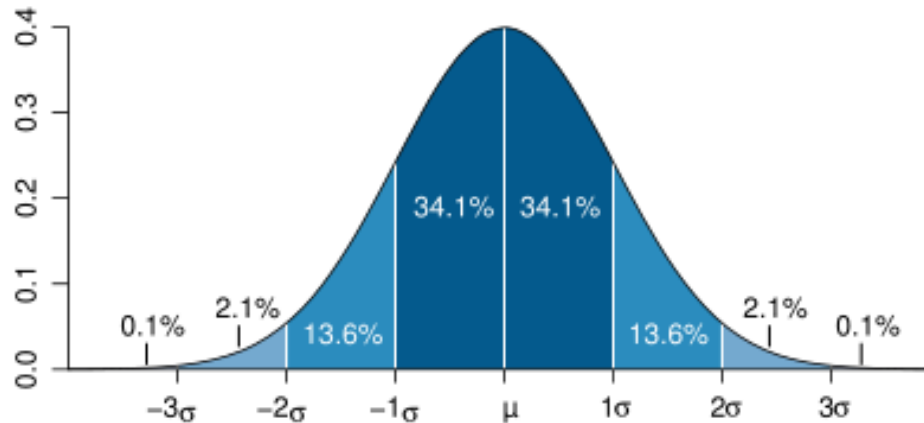
➤ Process

- Used data to calculate performance parameters (TTD, DCA, ΔT , P_1/P_2 , backpressure, cleanliness factor, final feed T, pump power and head, MWe)
- Excel used to manage data



Setting the Limits

- Methods Reviewed and Approach Chosen
 - Statistics Method Recommended and Approved
 - 3σ Approach Used





Setting the Limits (cont.)

- Static – Uses Average of Sample for Baseline

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N [x_i - \bar{x}]^2}$$

where: σ = 1 standard deviation

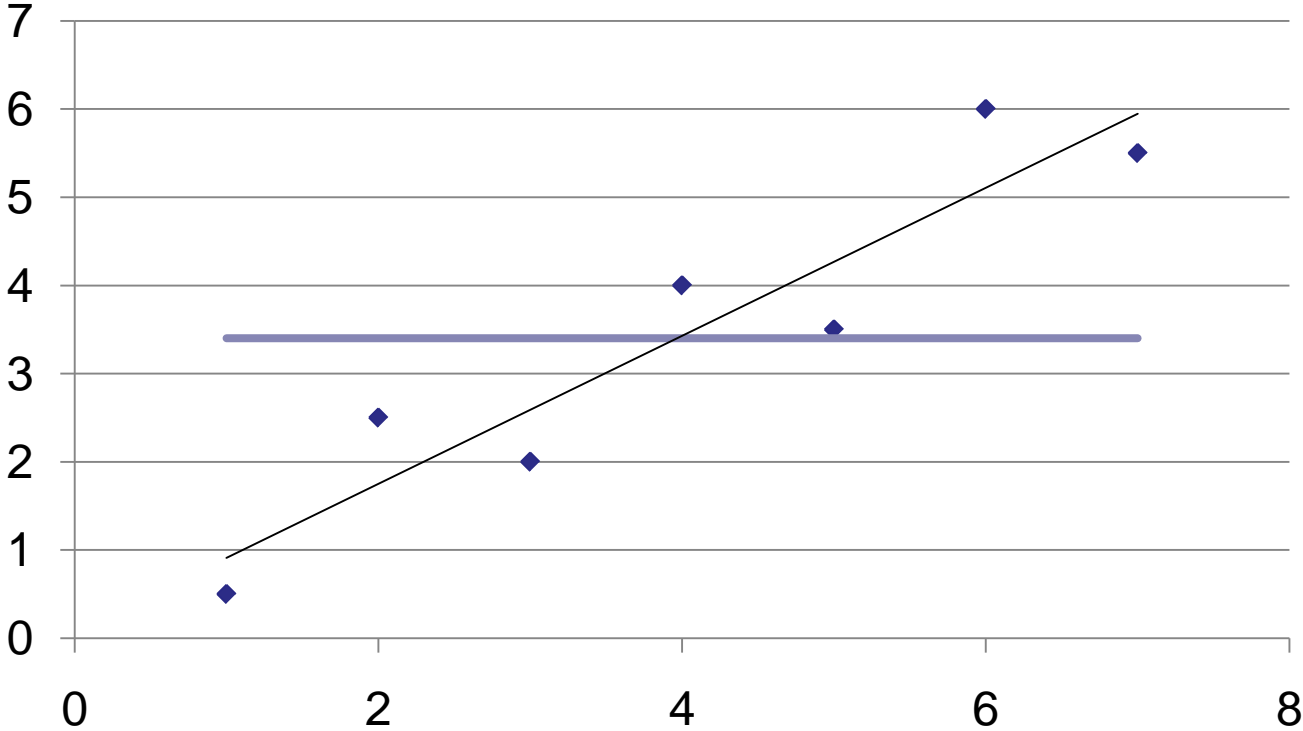
N = number of data points in sample

x_i = each data point

\bar{x} = average of data sample

Setting the Limits (cont.)

➤ Varying





Setting the Limits (cont.)

- Varying – Uses Trendline (2nd Order) as Baseline

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N - 1 - k} \sum_{i=1}^N [x_i - f(y_i)]^2}$$

where: k = order of polynomial

$f(y_i)$ = trend line function of order k

Other parameters same as static



Setting the Limits (cont.)

- Large spreadsheet to manage 2-year's data
- Most data static
- Dynamic data varied with circulating water temperature (condenser backpressure)



Using the Process

- **Transfer Alarm Limits to Separate Spreadsheet**
 - Separate spreadsheet used to monitor data
 - Calculated alarm limits transferred automatically to monitoring spreadsheet - “Modeling_u3.xls” (for Unit 3)
- **Changing the Alarm Limits**
 - Recalculate limits using new data set
 - Manually change limits on spreadsheet



Causes for Alarms

- **Bad Data**
 - Instrumentation failure
 - Drift
- **Malfunctioning Components**
 - Degraded over time
 - Step change
- **Plant Transient**
- **Data Frequency or Time Mismatch**
- **Limits Too Tight**



Future

- Alarm Limits for 1F
 - 2F or Sciencetech
 - Duration of data (1 day -> 2 years)
- PMAX
- Discussion

Questions?





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Sciencetech History and Experience

➤ PEPSE

- Started 1978
- 200+ installations worldwide in 20 countries
- Every nuclear plant in US
- Many fossil installations

➤ PMAX

- Started in 1983
- 250 installations worldwide in 8 countries
- 60% of US nuclear plants
- Many fossil installations