

# On Uncertain Seismic Wave Propagation

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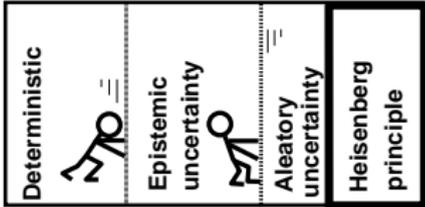
Stein Sture  
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EMI Conference,  
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# Outline

# Personal Motivation

- ▶ Probabilistic fish counting
- ▶ Stein Sture's lectures, MGM project
- ▶ David Muir Wood's book
- ▶ John Williams' DEM sims., displacement vortexes
- ▶ Kaspar Willam's spec. topics course, comments at EM98
- ▶ Kenneth Runesson's explanations on bifurcation
- ▶ Lev Kavvas' probabilistic hydrology

# On Uncertainties

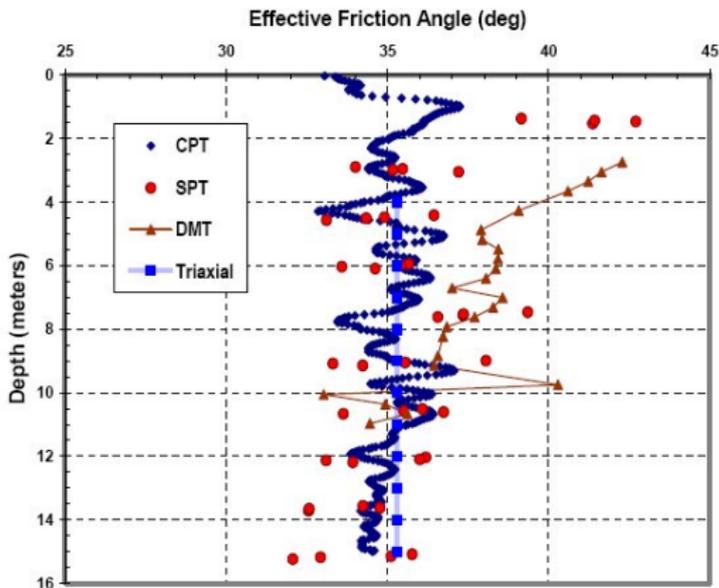
- ▶ Epistemic uncertainty - due to lack of knowledge
    - ▶ Can be reduced by collecting more data
    - ▶ Mathematical tools not well developed, trade-off with aleatory uncertainty
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- ▶ Aleatory uncertainty - inherent variation of physical system
    - ▶ Can not be reduced
    - ▶ Has highly developed mathematical tools
  - ▶ Ergodicity – exchange ensemble average for time average?
    - ▶ Possibly yes
    - ▶ Issues up for discussion (soil, concrete, rock, biomaterials...)

# Historical Overview

- ▶ Brownian motion, Langevin equation → PDF governed by simple diffusion Eq. (Einstein 1905)
- ▶ With external forces → Fokker-Planck-Kolmogorov (FPK) for the PDF (Kolmogorov 1941)
- ▶ Approach for random forcing → relationship between the autocorrelation function and spectral density function (Wiener 1930)
- ▶ Approach for random coefficient → Functional integration approach (Hopf 1952), Averaged equation approach (Bharrucha-Reid 1968), Numerical approaches, Monte Carlo method

# Material Behavior Inherently Uncertainties

- ▶ Spatial variability
- ▶ Point-wise uncertainty, testing error, transformation error



(Mayne et al. (2000))

## Problem Setup

- ▶ Incr. 3D el-pl:

$$d\sigma_{ij}/dt = \left\{ D_{ijkl}^{el} - \frac{D_{ijmn}^{el} m_{mn} n_{pq} D_{pqkl}^{el}}{n_{rs} D_{rstu}^{el} m_{tu} - \xi_* r_*} \right\} d\epsilon_{kl}/dt$$

- ▶ phase density  $\rho$  of  $\sigma(x, t)$  varies in time according to a continuity Liouville equation (Kubo 1963)
- ▶ Continuity equation written in ensemble average form (eg. cumulant expansion method (Kavvas and Karakas 1996))
- ▶ van Kampen's Lemma (van Kampen 1976)  $\rightarrow$   
 $\langle \rho(\sigma, t) \rangle = P(\sigma, t)$ , ensemble average of phase density is the probability density

# Eulerian–Lagrangian FPK Equation

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial P(\sigma(x_t, t), t)}{\partial t} &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} \left[ \left\{ \left\langle \eta(\sigma(x_t, t), D^{el}(x_t), q(x_t), r(x_t), \epsilon(x_t, t)) \right\rangle \right. \right. \\
 + \int_0^t d\tau \text{Cov}_0 &\left[ \frac{\partial \eta(\sigma(x_t, t), D^{el}(x_t), q(x_t), r(x_t), \epsilon(x_t, t))}{\partial \sigma}; \right. \\
 &\left. \left. \eta(\sigma(x_{t-\tau}, t - \tau), D^{el}(x_{t-\tau}), q(x_{t-\tau}), r(x_{t-\tau}), \epsilon(x_{t-\tau}, t - \tau)) \right] \right\} P(\sigma(x_t, t), t) \Big] \\
 + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \sigma^2} &\left[ \left\{ \int_0^t d\tau \text{Cov}_0 \left[ \eta(\sigma(x_t, t), D^{el}(x_t), q(x_t), r(x_t), \epsilon(x_t, t)); \right. \right. \right. \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

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## Euler–Lagrange FPK Equation

- ▶ Advection-diffusion equation

$$\frac{\partial P(\sigma, t)}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} \left[ N_{(1)} P(\sigma, t) - \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} \{ N_{(2)} P(\sigma, t) \} \right]$$

- ▶ Complete probabilistic description of response
- ▶ Solution PDF is second-order exact to covariance of time (exact mean and variance)
- ▶ It is deterministic equation in probability density space
- ▶ It is linear PDE in probability density space → Simplifies the numerical solution process
- ▶ Template FPK diffusion–advection equation is applicable to any material model → only the coefficients  $N_{(1)}$  and  $N_{(2)}$  are different for different material models

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# Probabilistic Yielding

- ▶ Weighted elastic and elastic–plastic Solution

$$\partial P(\sigma, t) / \partial t = -\partial \left( N_{(1)}^w P(\sigma, t) - \partial \left( N_{(2)}^w P(\sigma, t) \right) / \partial \sigma \right) / \partial \sigma$$

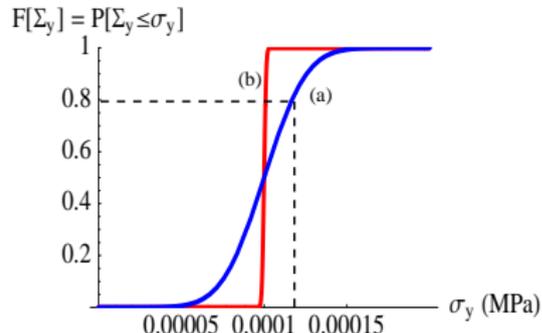
- ▶ Weighted advection and diffusion coefficients are then

$$N_{(1,2)}^w(\sigma) = (1 - P[\Sigma_y \leq \sigma]) N_{(1)}^{el} + P[\Sigma_y \leq \sigma] N_{(1)}^{el-pl}$$

(Black–Scholes options pricing model '73,

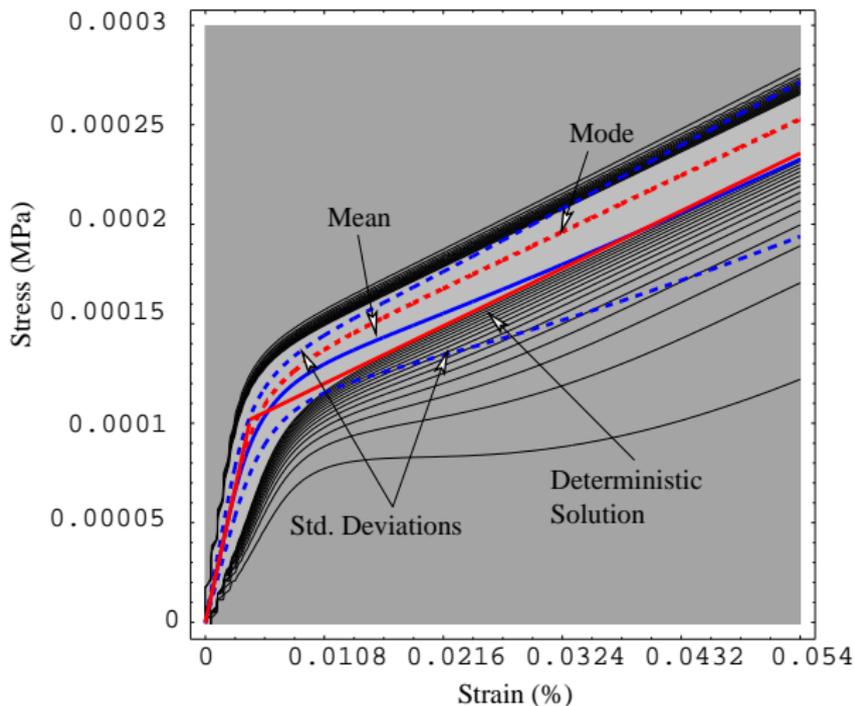
Nobel Economics Prize '97)

- ▶ Cumulative Probability Density function (CDF) of the yield function



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# Transformation of a Bi-Linear (von Mises) Response



linear elastic – linear hardening plastic von Mises

# Spectral Stochastic Elastic–Plastic FEM

- ▶ Minimizing norm of error of finite representation using Galerkin technique (Ghanem and Spanos 2003):

$$\sum_{n=1}^N K_{mn} d_{ni} + \sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{j=0}^P d_{nj} \sum_{k=1}^M C_{ijk} K'_{mnk} = \langle F_m \psi_i[\{\xi_r\}] \rangle$$

$$K_{mn} = \int_D B_n D B_m dV$$

$$K'_{mnk} = \int_D B_n \sqrt{\lambda_k} h_k B_m dV$$

$$C_{ijk} = \langle \xi_k(\theta) \psi_i[\{\xi_r\}] \psi_j[\{\xi_r\}] \rangle$$

$$F_m = \int_D \phi N_m dV$$

# Inside SEPFEM

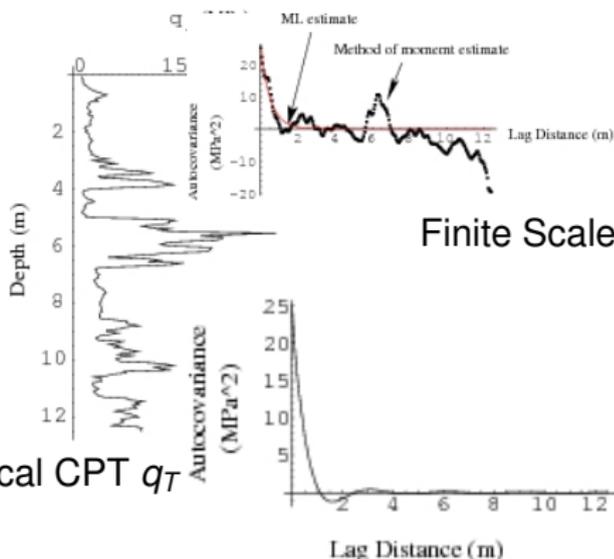
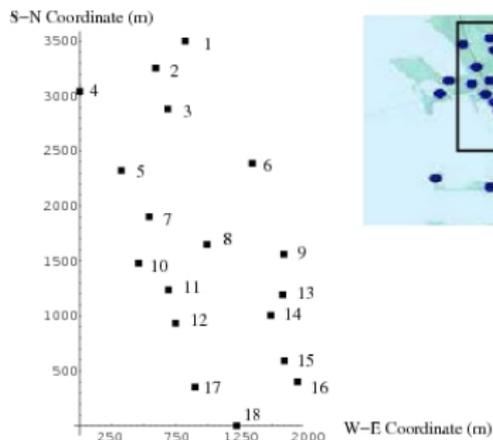
- ▶ Explicit stochastic elastic–plastic finite element computations
- ▶ FPK probabilistic constitutive integration at Gauss integration points
- ▶ Increase in (stochastic) dimensions (KL and PC) of the problem (parallelism)
- ▶ Development of the probabilistic elastic–plastic stiffness tensor

# Seismic Wave Propagation through Stochastic Soil

- ▶ Soil as 12.5 m deep 1–D soil column (von Mises Material)
  - ▶ Properties (including testing uncertainty) obtained through random field modeling of CPT  $q_T$ 
    - $\langle q_T \rangle = 4.99 \text{ MPa}$ ;  $\text{Var}[q_T] = 25.67 \text{ MPa}^2$ ;
    - Cor. Length  $[q_T] = 0.61 \text{ m}$ ; Testing Error =  $2.78 \text{ MPa}^2$
  
- ▶  $q_T$  was transformed to obtain  $G$ :  $G/(1 - \nu) = 2.9q_T$ 
  - ▶ Assumed transformation uncertainty = 5%
    - $\langle G \rangle = 11.57 \text{ MPa}$ ;  $\text{Var}[G] = 142.32 \text{ MPa}^2$
    - Cor. Length  $[G] = 0.61 \text{ m}$
  
- ▶ Input motions: modified 1938 Imperial Valley

# Random Field Parameters from Site Data

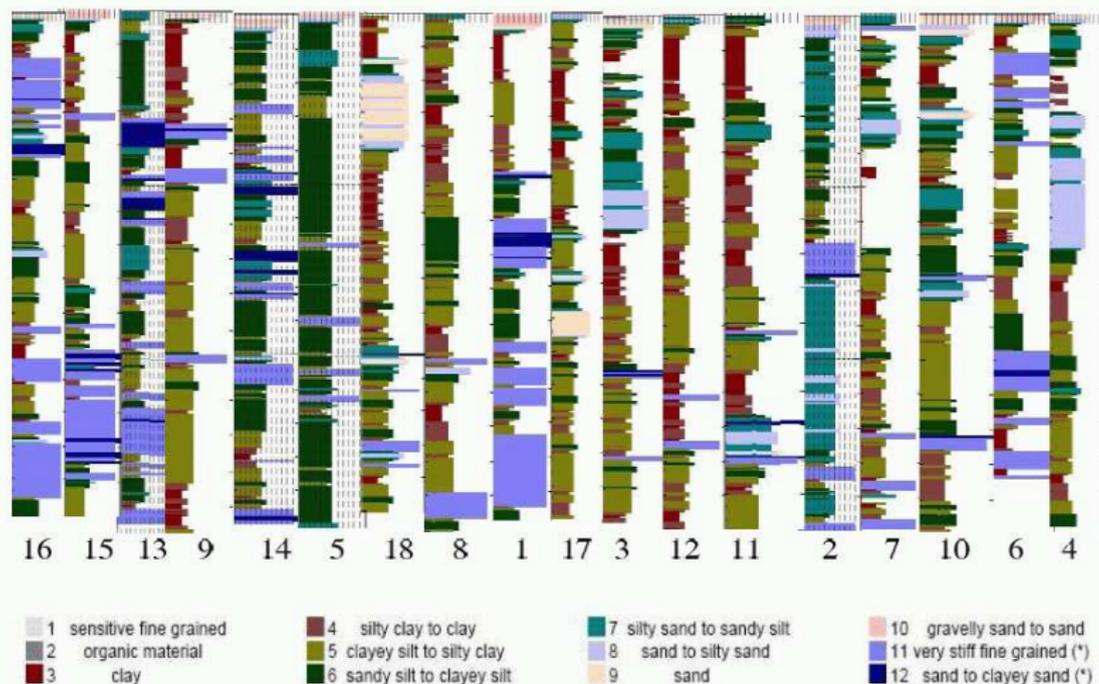
## ► Maximum likelihood estimates



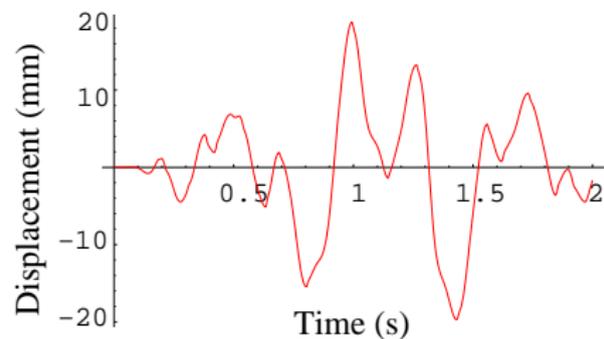
Finite Scale

Fractal

# “Uniform” CPT Site Data

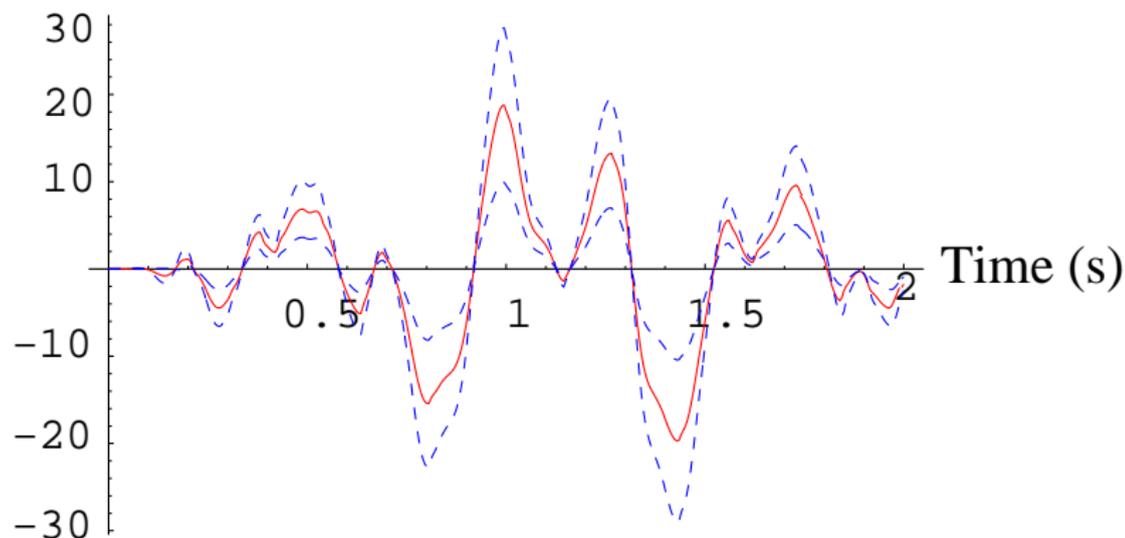


# Surface Displacement Time History



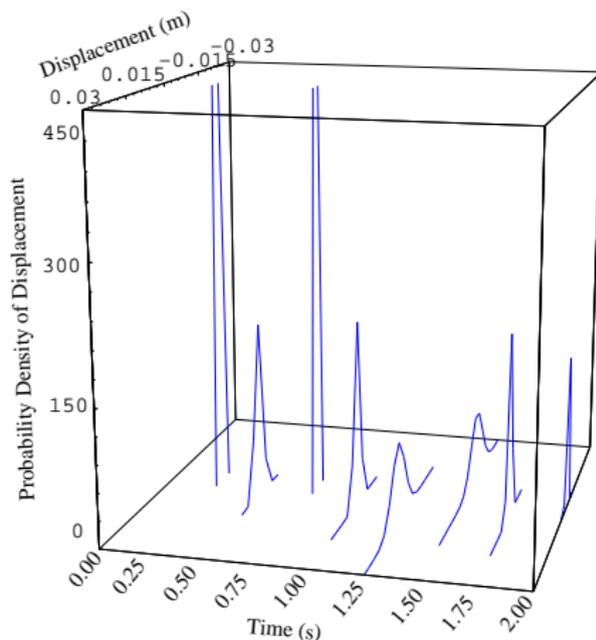
Mean  $\pm$  Standard Deviation

Displacement (mm)

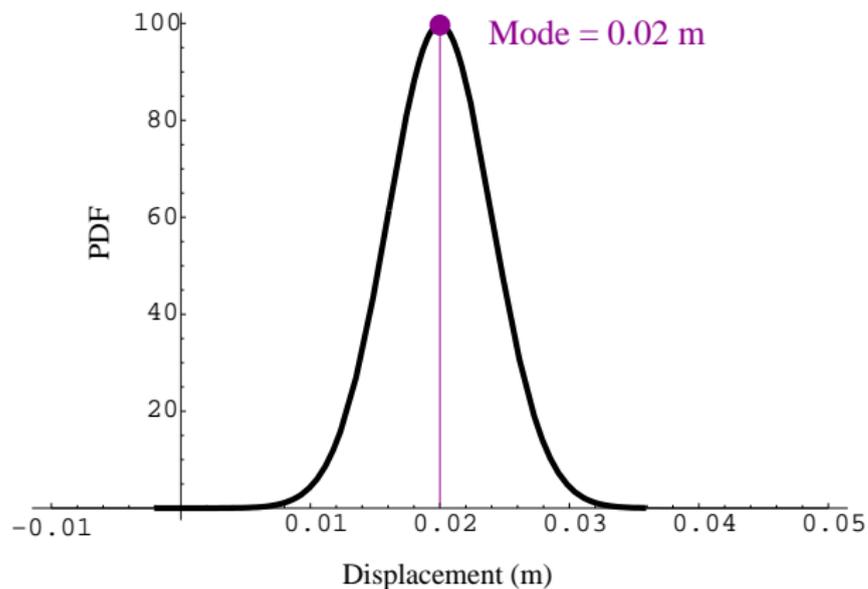


# PDF of Surface Displacement Time History

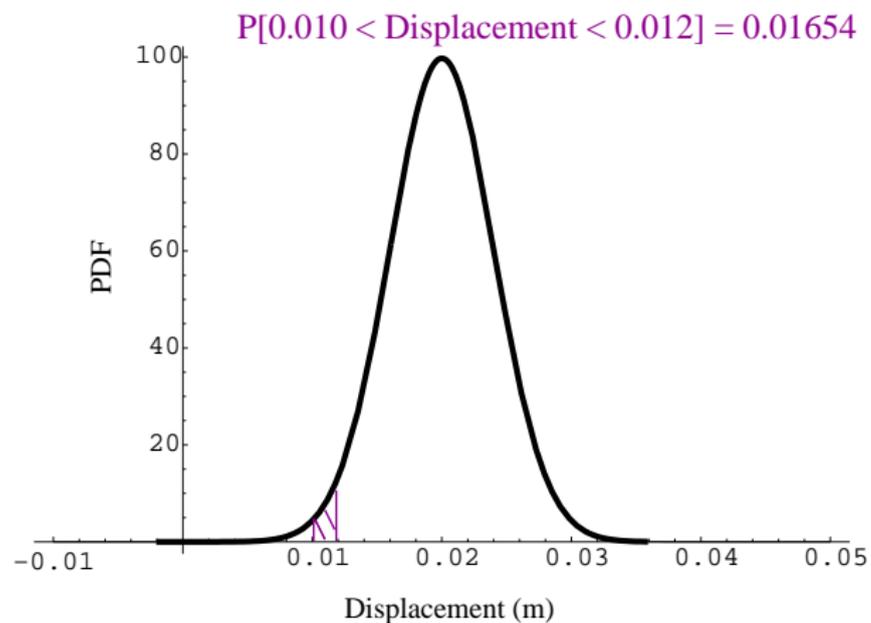
- ▶ PDF at the finite element nodes can be obtained using, e.g., Edgeworth expansion (Ghanem and Spanos 2003)
- ▶ Numerous applications, especially where extreme statistics are critical



# Most Probable Solution

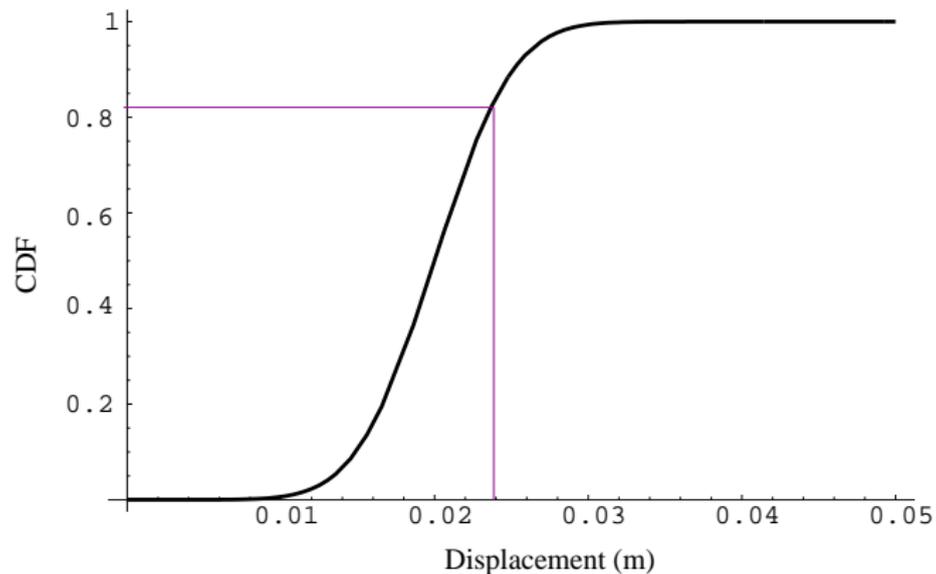


## Tails of PDF



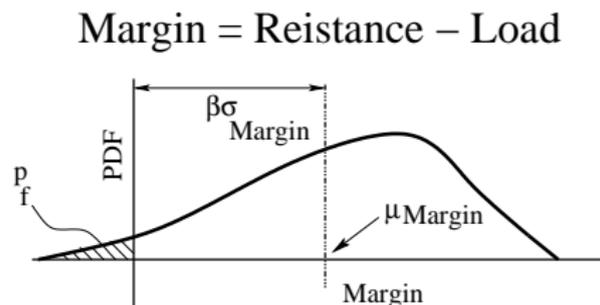
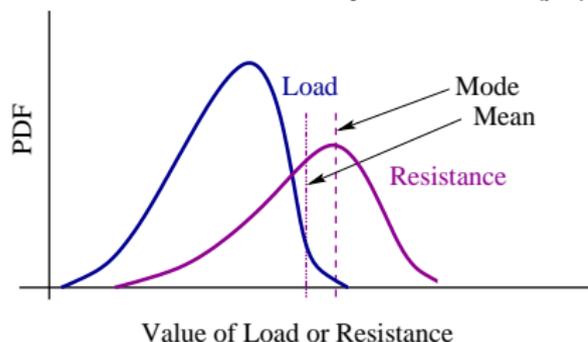
# Probability of Exceedance

Probability that displacement exceeds 0.025 m =  $1 - 0.825 = 0.175$



## Derivative Applications

- ▶ Performance based engineering
  - ▶ Reliability index ( $\beta$ )
  - ▶ Probability of failure ( $p_f$ )



- ▶ Financial risk analysis
- ▶ Sensitivity analysis

# Summary

- ▶ Work on probabilistic elasto–plasticity as continuation of work with Stein Sture at CU Bolder
- ▶ Getting older, supposed to have more answers, in fact I have more questions

Thank you Stein!