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# **Structural Eurocodes**

## **EN 1990 - Basis of Structural Design**

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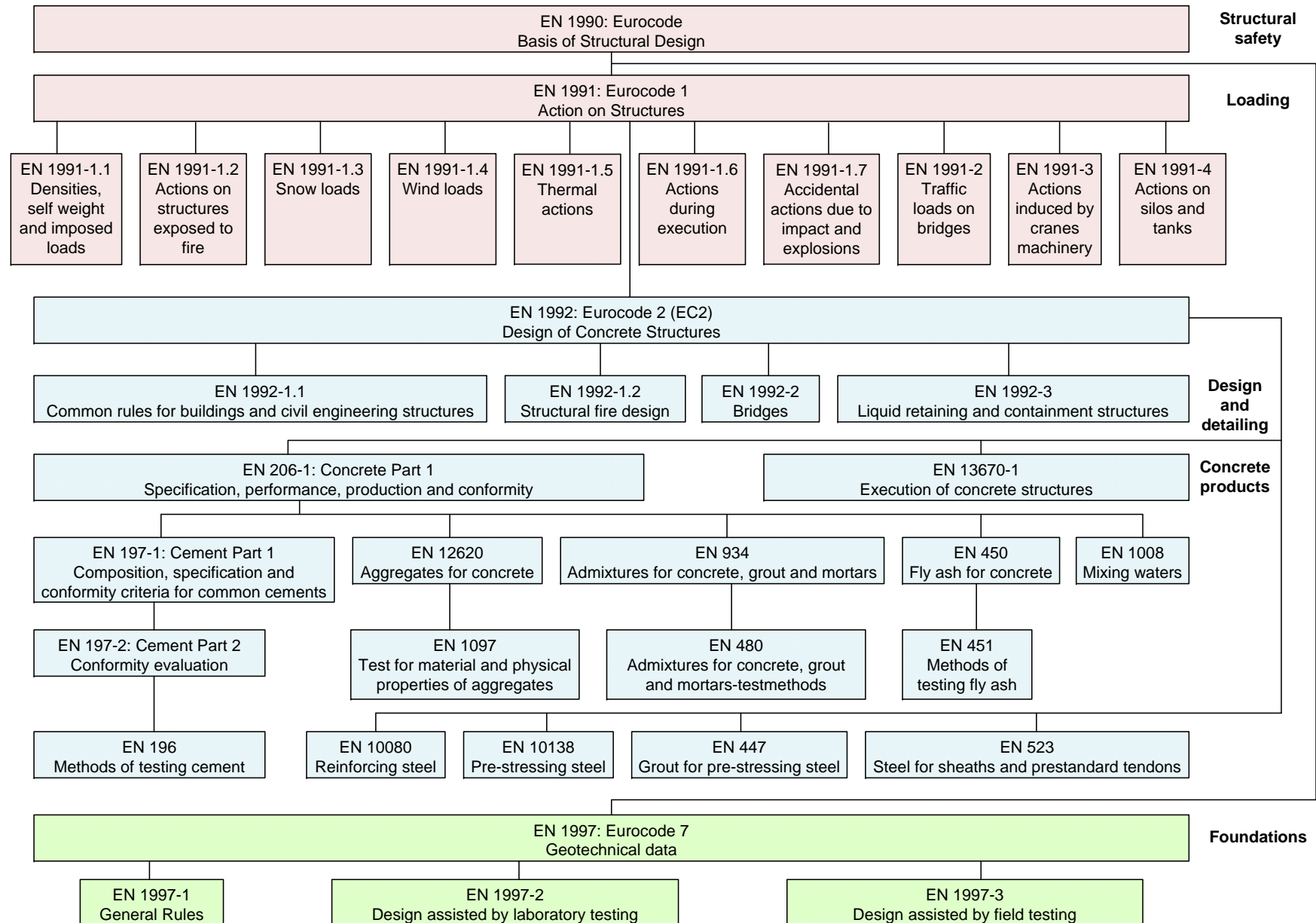
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# Structural Eurocodes



## ***Eurocode 1: Actions on Structures***

EN 1991-1-1	General actions – Dead loads, self-weight, imposed loads for buildings : 2002 + Correction AC:2009
EN 1991-1-2	General actions – Actions due to fire : 2003
EN 1991-1-3	General actions – Snow loads : 2003 + AC:2009
EN 1991-1-4	General actions – Wind actions : 2005(E) Amendment A1:2010 Correction AC:2010
EN 1991-1-5	General actions – Thermal actions : 2003 Correction AC:2009
EN 1991-1-6	General actions, Actions during execution : 2005 Correction AC:2008
EN 1991-1-7	General actions – Accidental actions : 2006 Correction AC:2010
EN 1991-2	Traffic loads on Bridges : 2004
EN 1991-3	Actions induced by cranes and machinery : 2006
EN 1991-4	General actions – Silos and tanks : 2006

## ***Objectives of EN 1990***

EN 1990 describes the Principles and requirements for safety, serviceability and durability of structures. It is based on the limit state concept used in conjunction with a partial factor method.

### ***Overview***

**Risks in Civil Engineering**

**Measures of Reliability in a Probabilistic Concept**

**Reliability Verification in EN 1990**

**Partial Factor Concept in EN 1990**

**Limit States**

**Ultimate Limit State – ULS**

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**Conclusions**

**Actions on Structures – EN 1991**

## *Risks in Civil Engineering*



Storm



Earthquake



Fire



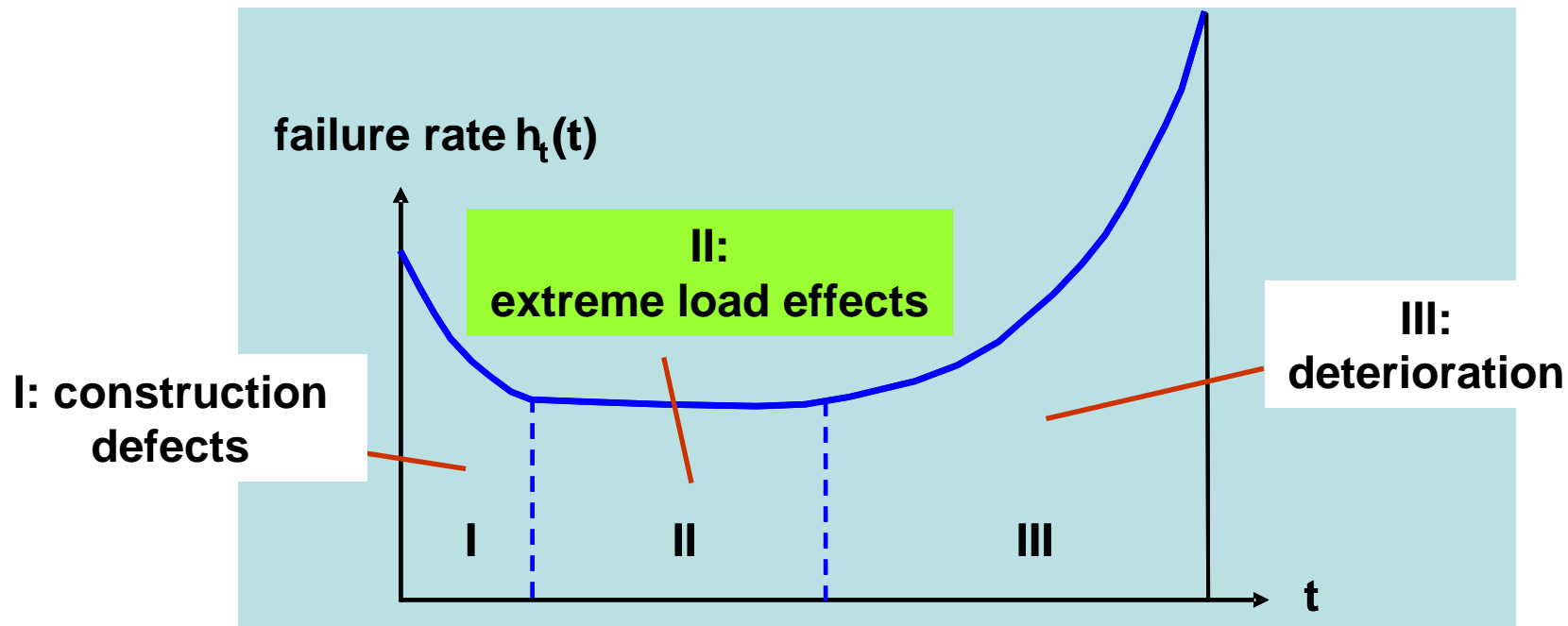
Water

# Risks in Civil Engineering

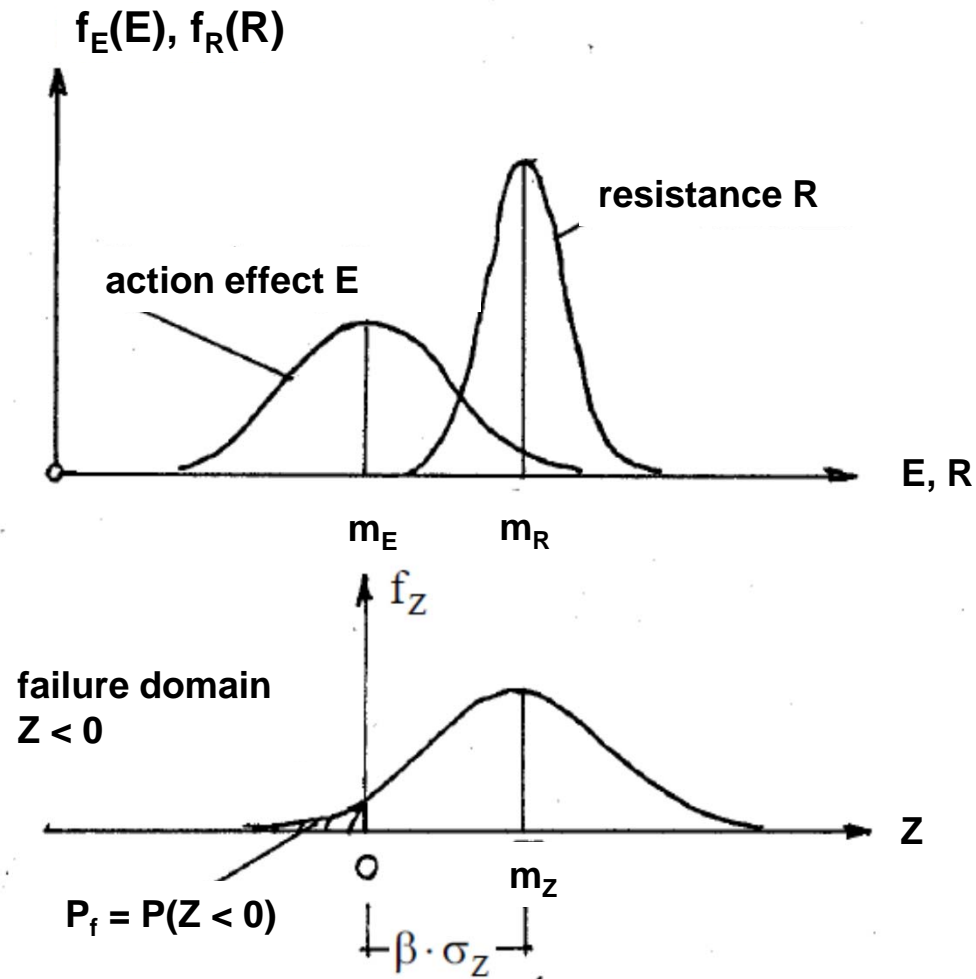
## Failure Rate:

$$h_t(t) = \frac{P(T_L \leq t + \Delta t | T_L > t)}{\Delta t}$$

$T_L$  – design life,  $t$  - time



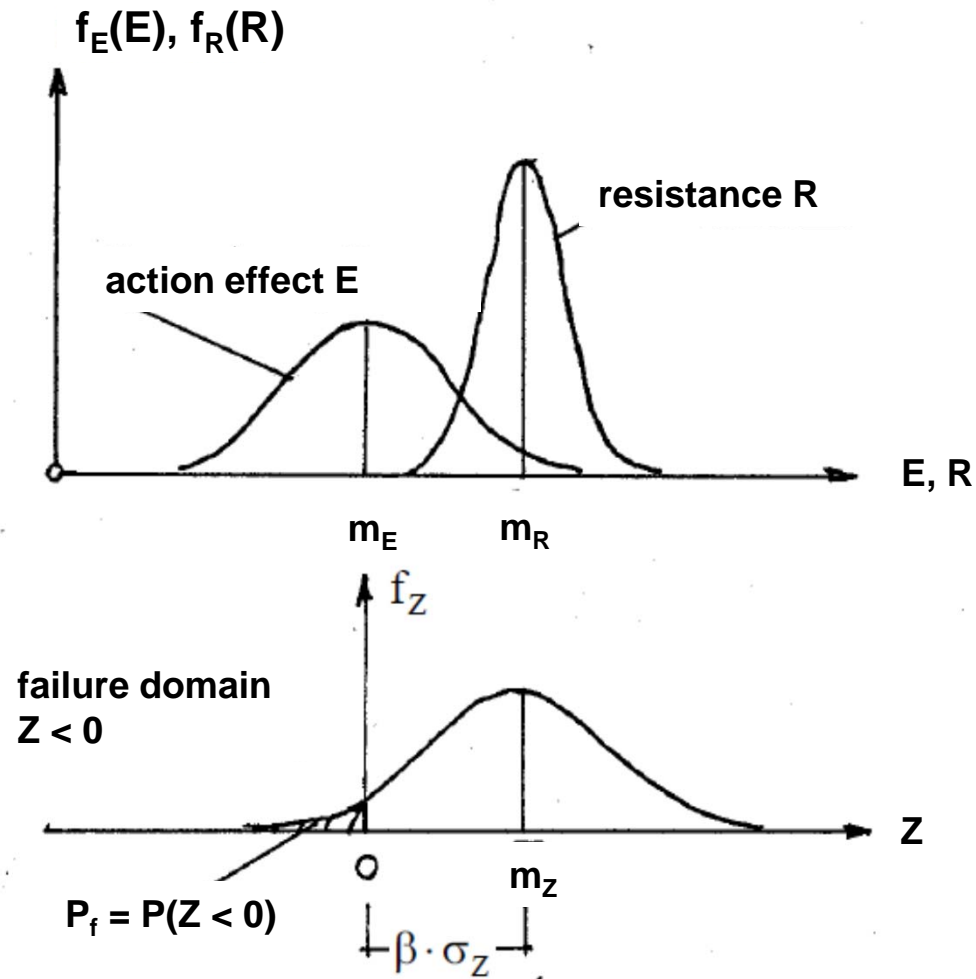
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with mean  $m_Z$ , stand. dev.  $\sigma_Z$

survival:  $Z > 0$ ; failure:  $Z \leq 0$

## Measures of Reliability



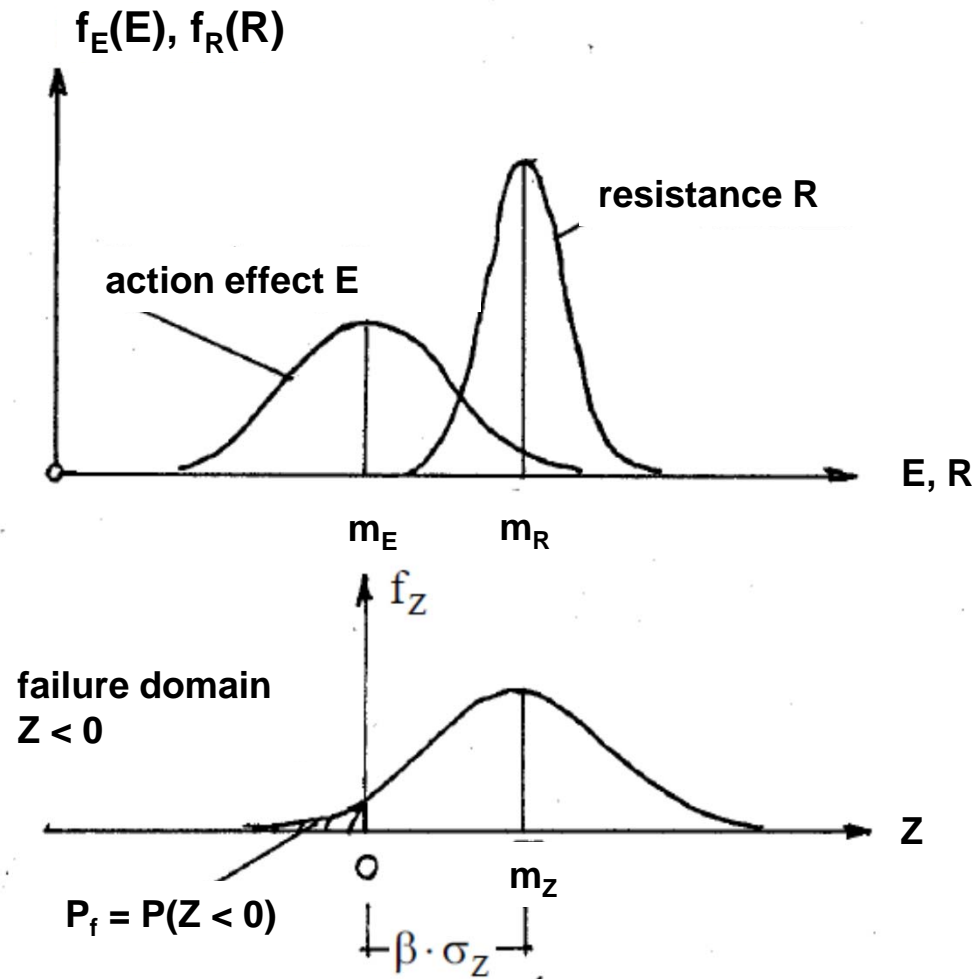
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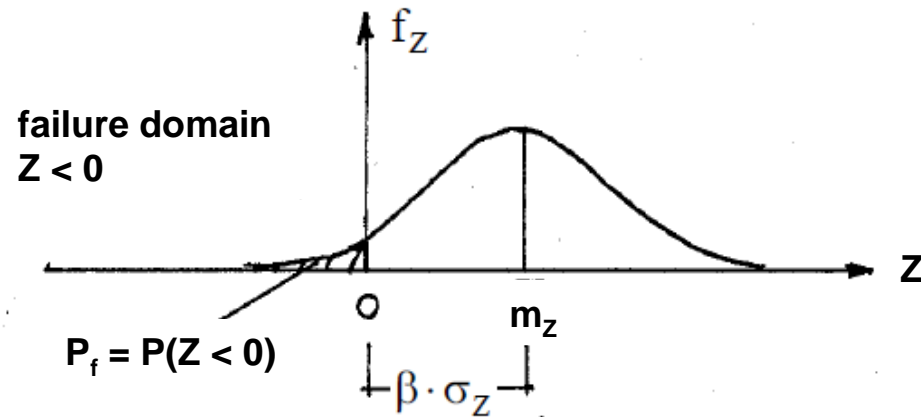
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reliability index  $\beta$

$$m_Z = \beta \cdot \sigma_Z$$

**A reliability index of  $\beta = 0$  corresponds to a failure probability of  $P_f = 0.5$ !**

## Measures of Reliability



The reliability index  $\beta$  is applied in EN 1990 for reliability verifications. It is related to the probability of failure,  $P_f$ , by

$$P_f = \Phi(-\beta)$$

where  $\Phi$  is the cumulative probability function of the Gaussian distribution

Table C1 - Relation between  $\beta$  and  $P_f$

$P_f$	$10^{-1}$	$10^{-2}$	$10^{-3}$	$10^{-4}$	$10^{-5}$	$10^{-6}$	$10^{-7}$
$\beta$	1,28	2,32	3,09	3,72	4,27	4,75	5,20

## Reliability Verification in EN 1990

### Design values of Action Effect, $E_d$ and Resistance, $R_d$

Given are:            target reliability index  $\beta$   
                          mean resistance  $m_R$   
                          standard deviation  $\sigma_R$   
                          mean action effect  $m_E$   
                          standard deviation  $\sigma_E$

design requirement:

$$m_Z = \beta \cdot \sigma_Z$$

Replacing Z by E and R:

$$m_R - m_E = \beta(\alpha_R \cdot \sigma_R - \alpha_E \cdot \sigma_E)$$

where  $\alpha$  are linear weight factors with ranges:

$$-1 \leq \alpha_E < 0$$

$$0 \leq \alpha_R \leq 1$$

Design verification using design values  $E_d$  and  $R_d$ :

$$m_R - \beta \alpha_R \cdot \sigma_R = m_E - \beta \alpha_E \cdot \sigma_E$$

$$R_d = m_R - \beta \alpha_R \cdot \sigma_R \geq E_d = m_E - \beta \alpha_E \cdot \sigma_E$$

## Reliability Verification in EN 1990

### Target values of Reliability

Table C2 - Target reliability index  $\beta$  for Class RC2 structural members <sup>1)</sup>

Limit state	Target reliability index	
	1 year	50 years
Ultimate	4,7	3,8
Fatigue		1,5 to 3,8 <sup>2)</sup>
Serviceability (irreversible)	2,9	1,5
<sup>1)</sup> See Annex B		
<sup>2)</sup> Depends on degree of inspectability, reparability and damage tolerance.		

(2) The actual frequency of failure is significantly dependent upon human error, which are not considered in partial factor design (See Annex B). Thus  $\beta$  does not necessarily provide an indication of the actual frequency of structural failure.

The target values of reliability are operational, indicative numbers

## Reliability Verification in EN 1990

### Reliability Differentiation in EN 1990

For the purpose of reliability differentiation, consequences classes (CC) may be established by considering the consequences of failure or malfunction of the structure as given in Table B1.

**Table B1 - Definition of consequences classes**

Consequences Class	Description	Examples of buildings and civil engineering works
CC3	<b>High</b> consequence for loss of human life, <i>or</i> economic, social or environmental consequences <b>very great</b>	Grandstands, public buildings where consequences of failure are high (e.g. a concert hall)
CC2	<b>Medium</b> consequence for loss of human life, economic, social or environmental consequences <b>considerable</b>	Residential and office buildings, public buildings where consequences of failure are medium (e.g. an office building)
CC1	<b>Low</b> consequence for loss of human life, <i>and</i> economic, social or environmental consequences <b>small or negligible</b>	Agricultural buildings where people do not normally enter (e.g. storage buildings), greenhouses

## Reliability Verification in EN 1990

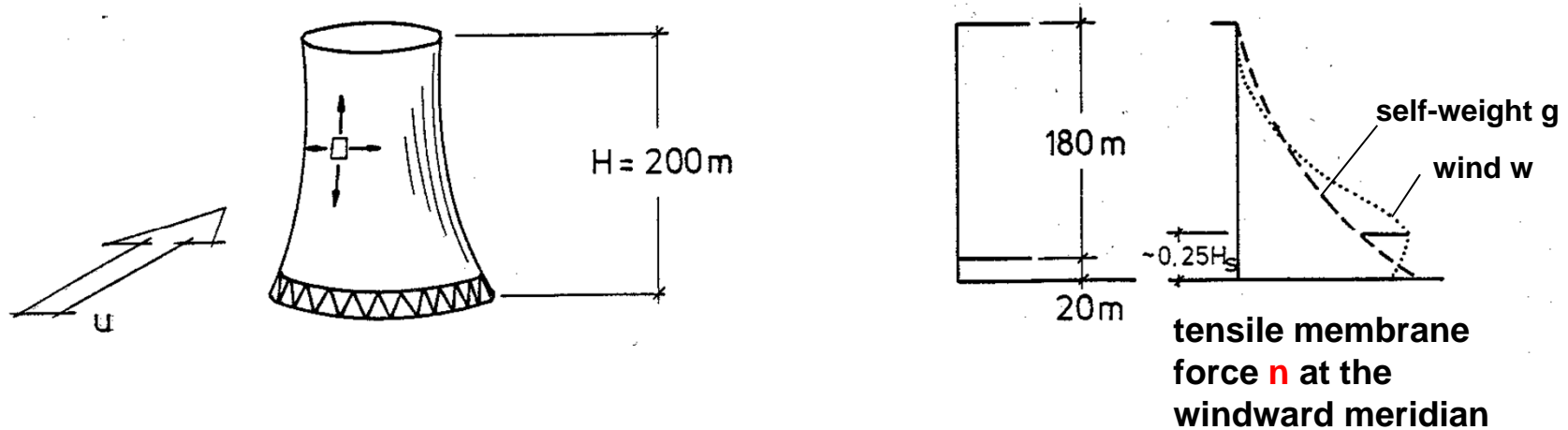
(2) Three reliability classes RC1, RC2 and RC3 may be associated with the three consequences classes CC1, CC2 and CC3.

**Table B2 - Recommended minimum values for reliability index  $\beta$  (ultimate limit states)**

Reliability Class	Minimum values for $\beta$	
	1 year reference period	50 years reference period
RC3	5,2	4,3
RC2	4,7	3,8
RC1	4,2	3,3

NOTE A design using EN 1990 with the partial factors given in annex A1 and EN 1991 to EN 1999 is considered generally to lead to a structure with a  $\beta$  value greater than 3,8 for a 50 year reference period. Reliability classes for members of the structure above RC3 are not further considered in this Annex, since these structures each require individual consideration.

## Partial Factor Concept in EN 1990



Actions: self weight  $g$ , wind load  $w$

Resistance: yield strength of the reinforcement  $A_s \cdot \beta_s$

**Global safety factor**  $\gamma_{tot}$  applied to design the shell for tensile strength:

$$\gamma_{tot} \cdot (n_w - n_g) \leq A_s \cdot \beta_s$$

Self-weight is compressive, it diminishes the tensile wind force:  
The shell cannot carry  $\gamma_{tot} \cdot w$  when designed with a global factor.

Such a goal would be achieved by the following design equation:

$$\gamma_{tot} \cdot n_w - n_g \leq A_s \cdot \beta_s$$



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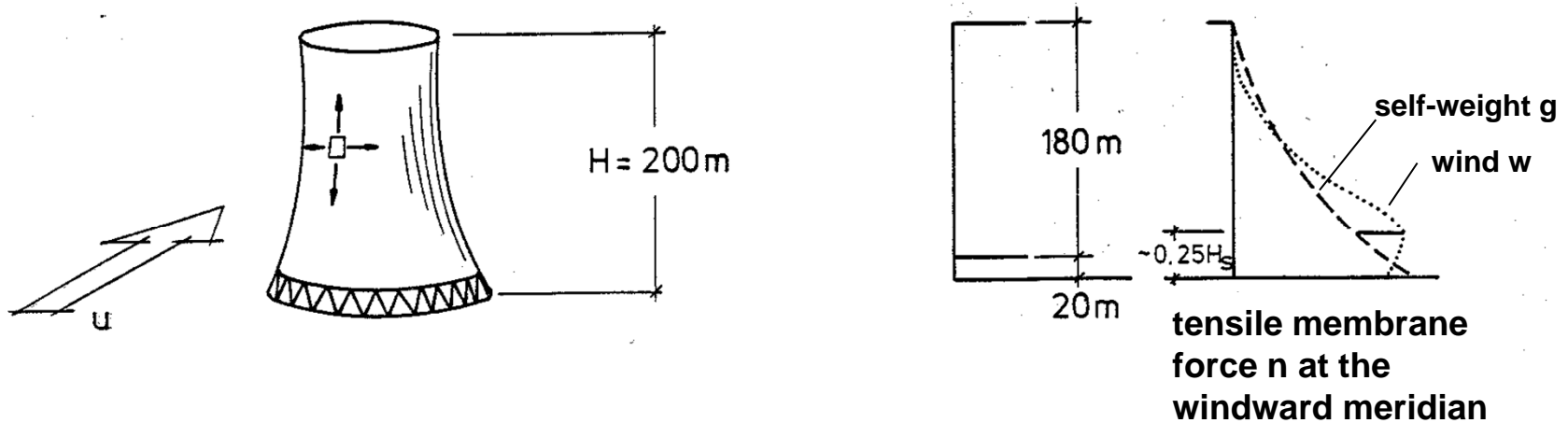
**In a strong gale, three Cooling Towers at the Ferrybridge Power Station, UK, collapse due to tensile failure of the reinforcement at the windward side**

### **Principal failure causes**

- (1) Small shell bending stiffness due to *Single layer reinforcement*, low natural frequencies, increase of resonant response to turbulence;**
- 2) *Load amplification due to flow Interference*;**
- (3) *Unified safety factor instead of partial concept***



## Partial Factor Concept in EN 1990



Concept of partial safety factors

$$\gamma_w \cdot n_w - \gamma_G \cdot n_g \leq A_s \cdot \beta_s / \gamma_M$$

VGB-BTR 2005:  $1,6 \cdot n_w - 1,0 \cdot n_g \leq A_s \cdot \beta_s / 1,15$

The shell is now designed to carry 1,6-times the nominal wind load against 1/1,15 times the nominal tensile strength.

## Partial Factor Concept in EN 1990

EN 1990 does not apply directly the **design values** but utilises the **partial factor design** consisting of the following steps:

(1) **Characteristic values** of the basic variables actions  $F_k$ , and of the material properties  $X_k$  are introduced.

**Characteristic values** are typically:

- for variable actions Q:  $Q_k$  is the 0,98-quantile of the yearly extremes;
- for permanent actions G:  $G_k$  is the mean value;
- for accidental actions A:  $A_d$  is a nominal value used as design value;
- for strength of materials X:  $X_k$  is the 5%-quantile.

(2) **Design values of actions F** are specified by using partial load factors  $\gamma_F$ :

$$\begin{aligned} F_d &= \gamma_F F_k && \text{for a leading action, or} \\ F_d &= \gamma_F \cdot \psi \cdot F_k && \text{for an accompanying action;} \end{aligned}$$

Design values of material properties X are specified by partial material factors

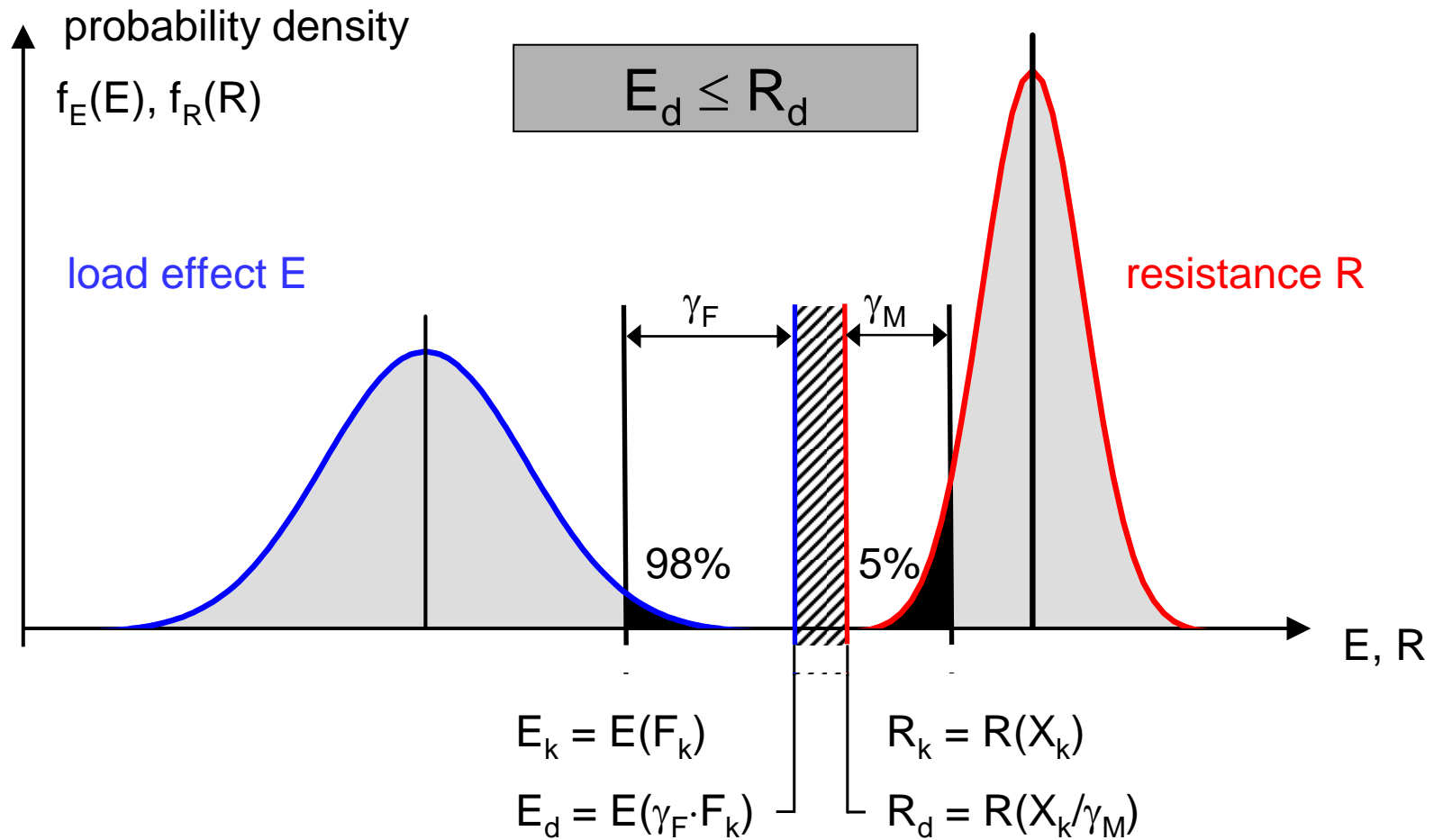
$$\gamma_m : \quad X_d = X_k / \gamma_m$$

(3) The **design values of action effect and resistance** are calculated as

$$E_d = E\{\gamma_F \cdot F_k; \gamma_F \cdot \psi \cdot F_k\} \leq R_d = R\{X_k / \gamma_m\}$$

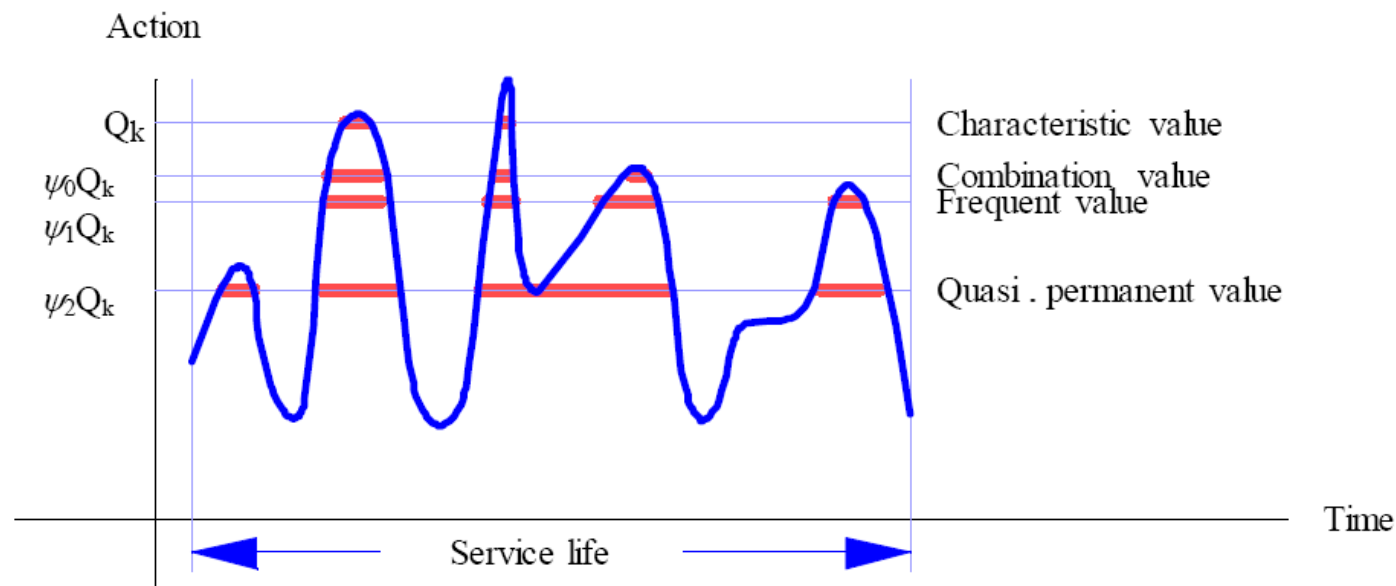
# Partial Factor Concept in EN 1990

## Summary of Verification Procedure



## Partial Factor Concept in EN 1990

If **several variable actions** have to be considered, the combination of actions consists of the **leading action**  $Q_{k1}$  and the **accompanying actions**  $\psi \cdot Q_{kj}$ , where  $\psi$  is the factor for accompanying actions,  $\psi \leq 1$



The factor  $\psi$ , covers the following situations:

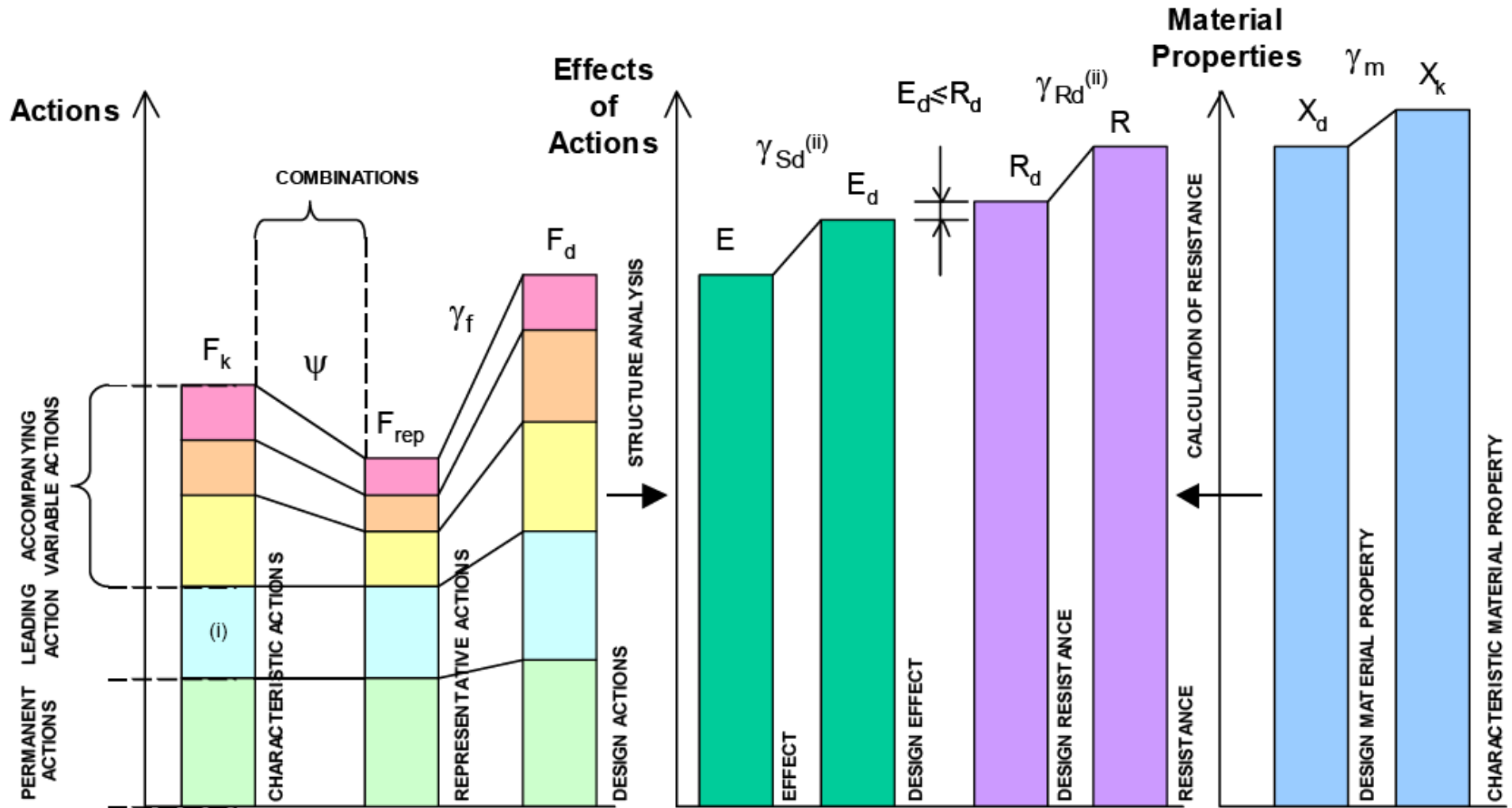
- the combination value of a variable action  $\psi_0 \cdot Q_k$
- the frequent value of a variable action  $\psi_1 \cdot Q_k$
- the quasi-permanent value of a variable action  $\psi_2 \cdot Q_k$

## Partial Factor Concept in EN 1990

### Variable loads and related $\psi$ -factors

Action	$\psi_0$	$\psi_1$	$\psi_2$
Imposed loads in buildings, category (see EN 1991-1.1)			
Category A: domestic, residential areas	0,7	0,5	0,3
Category B: office areas	0,7	0,5	0,3
Category C: congregation areas	0,7	0,7	0,6
Category D: shopping areas	0,7	0,7	0,6
Category E: storage areas	1,0	0,9	0,8
Category F: traffic area, vehicle weight $\leq 30\text{kN}$	0,7	0,7	0,6
Category G: traffic area, $30\text{kN} < \text{vehicle weight} \leq 160\text{kN}$	0,7	0,5	0,3
Category H: roofs	0	0	0
Snow loads on buildings (see EN 1991-1-3)			
– Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden	0,70	0,50	0,20
– Remainder of CEN Member States, for sites located at altitude $H > 1000$ m a.s.l.	0,70	0,50	0,20
– Remainder of CEN Member States, for sites located at altitude $H \leq 1000$ m a.s.l.	0,50	0,20	0
Wind loads on buildings (see EN 1991-1-4)	0,6	0,2	0
Temperature (non-fire) in buildings (see EN 1991-1-5)	0,6	0,5	0
Note: The $\psi$ values may set by the National annex.			

# Partial Factor Concept in EN 1990



source unknown

## ***Limit States***

### **Ultimate Limit State – ULS**

states associated with collapse or with other similar forms of structural failure

(1)P The limit states that concern :

- the safety of people, and/or
- the safety of the structure

shall be classified as ultimate limit states.

### **Serviceability Limit State – SLS**

states that correspond to conditions beyond which specified service requirements for a structure or structural member are no longer met

(1)P The limit states that concern :

- the functioning of the structure or structural members under normal use ;
- the comfort of people ;
- the appearance of the construction works,

shall be classified as serviceability limit states.

## ***Limit States: Ultimate Limit States***

### ***ULS in EN 1990***

EQU : Loss of static equilibrium of the structure or any part of it considered as a rigid body, where :

- minor variations in the value or the spatial distribution of actions from a single source are significant, and
- the strengths of construction materials or ground are generally not governing ;

STR : Internal failure or excessive deformation of the structure or structural members, including footings, piles, basement walls, etc., where the strength of construction materials of the structure governs ;

GEO : Failure or excessive deformation of the ground where the strengths of soil or rock are significant in providing resistance ;

FAT : Fatigue failure of the structure or structural members.

*FAT load combinations are given in the design codes EN1992 – EN1996*



## Ultimate Limit States: Static Equilibrium

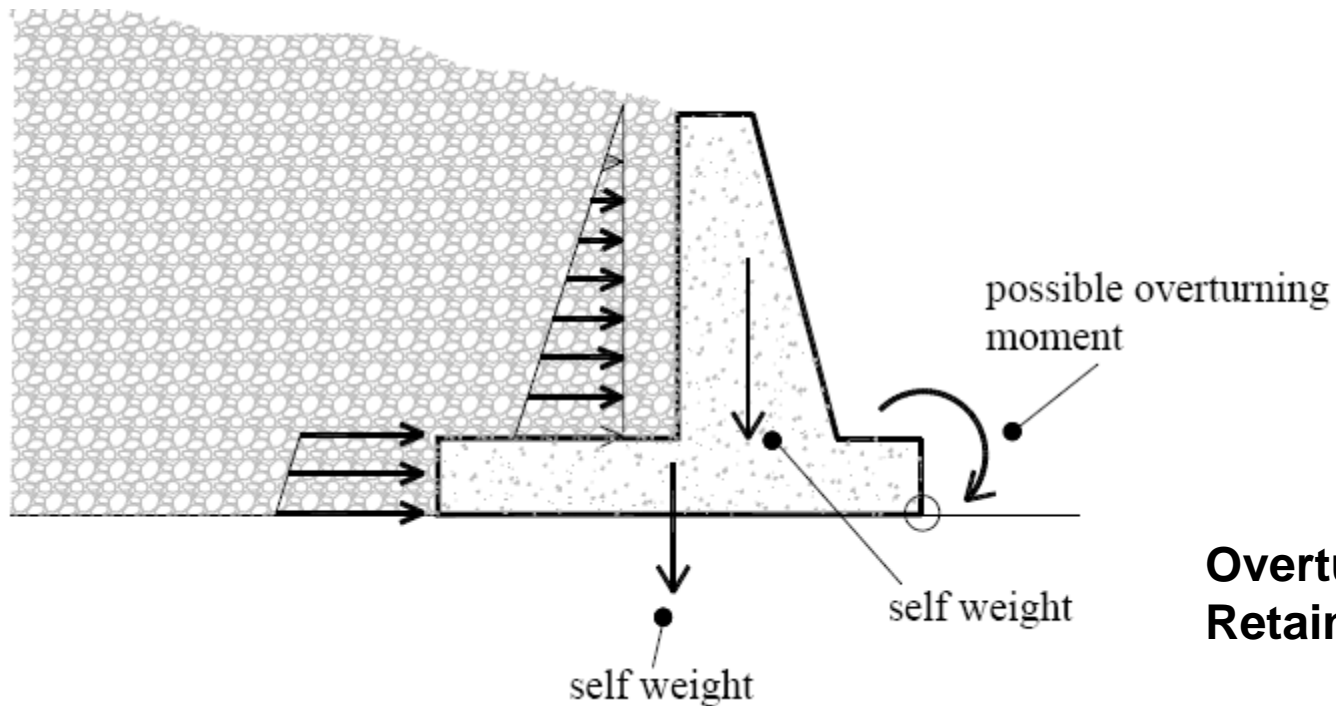
### Verifications of static equilibrium

$$E_{d,dst} \leq E_{d,stb}$$

where :

$E_{d,dst}$  is the design value of the effect of destabilising actions ;

$E_{d,stb}$  is the design value of the effect of stabilising actions.



**Overturning of a Retaining Wall**

## Static Equilibrium Limit States

$$E_{d,dst} \leq E_{d,stb}$$

$$\sum_{j \geq 1} \gamma_{G,j} G_{k,j} + \gamma_P P + \gamma_{Q,1} Q_{k,1} + \sum_{i > 1} \gamma_{Q,i} \psi_{0,i} Q_{k,i}$$

Persistent and transient design situations	Permanent actions		Leading variable action (*)	Accompanying variable actions	
	Unfavourable	Favourable		Main (if any)	Others
(Eq. 6.10)	$\gamma_{Gj,sup} G_{kj,sup}$ <b>1,10</b>	$\gamma_{Gj,inf} G_{kj,inf}$ <b>0,90</b>	$\gamma_{Q,1} Q_{k,1}$ <b>1,50 / 0</b>		$\gamma_{Q,i} \psi_{0,i} Q_{k,i}$ <b>1,50 / 0</b>

(\*) Variable actions are those considered in Table A1.1

NOTE 1 The  $\gamma$  values may be set by the National annex. The recommended set of values for  $\gamma$  are :

$$\gamma_{Gj,sup} = 1,10$$

$$\gamma_{Gj,inf} = 0,90$$

$$\gamma_{Q,1} = 1,50 \text{ where unfavourable (0 where favourable)}$$

$$\gamma_{Q,i} = 1,50 \text{ where unfavourable (0 where favourable)}$$

## Structural Failure Limit States

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Note regarding permanent actions resulting from **one** source:

The partial factor 1,35 applies for all actions originating from **self-weight** if the resulting total effect is unfavourable. Similarly,  $\gamma_{inf} = 1.00$  is valid if the resulting total effect is favourable. This also applies if different materials are involved.

## Structural Failure Limit States

$$\sum_{j \geq 1} \gamma_{G,j} G_{k,j} + \gamma_P P + \gamma_{Q,1} Q_{k,1} + \sum_{i > 1} \gamma_{Q,i} \psi_{0,i} Q_{k,i} \quad (6.10)$$

or, alternatively for STR and GEO limit states, the less favourable of the two following expressions:

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$$\left. \sum_{j \geq 1} \xi_j \gamma_{G,j} G_{k,j} + \gamma_P P + \gamma_{Q,1} Q_{k,1} + \sum_{i > 1} \gamma_{Q,i} \psi_{0,i} Q_{k,i} \right. \quad (6.10b)$$

Where :

- " + "        implies "to be combined with"
- $\Sigma$          implies "the combined effect of"
- $\xi$           is a reduction factor for unfavourable permanent actions  $G$

## Structural Failure Limit States

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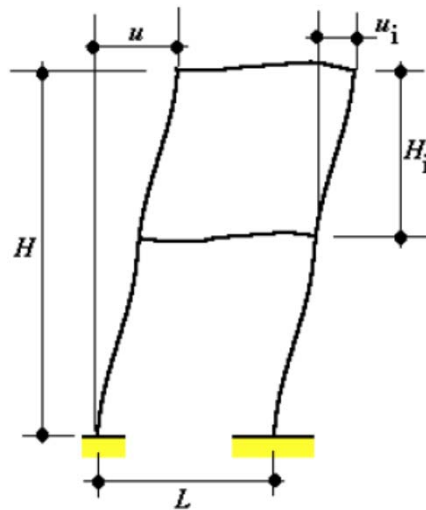
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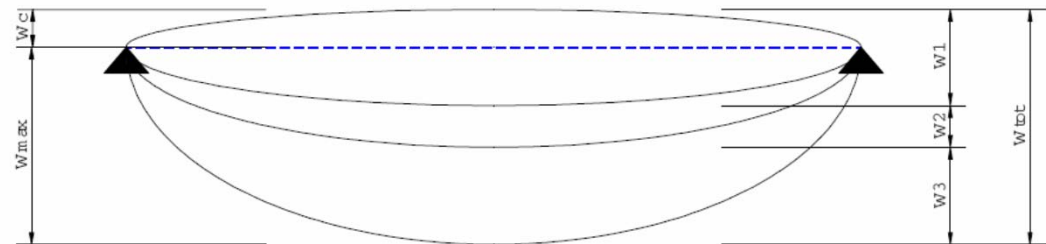
## Serviceability Limit States

(1) Serviceability limit states in buildings should take into account criteria related, for example, to floor stiffness, differential floor levels, storey sway or/and building sway and roof stiffness. Stiffness criteria may be expressed in terms of limits for vertical deflections and for vibrations. Sway criteria may be expressed in terms of limits for horizontal displacements.

(2) The serviceability criteria should be specified for each project and agreed with the client.



**Horizontal Displacements**



**Vertical Deflections**

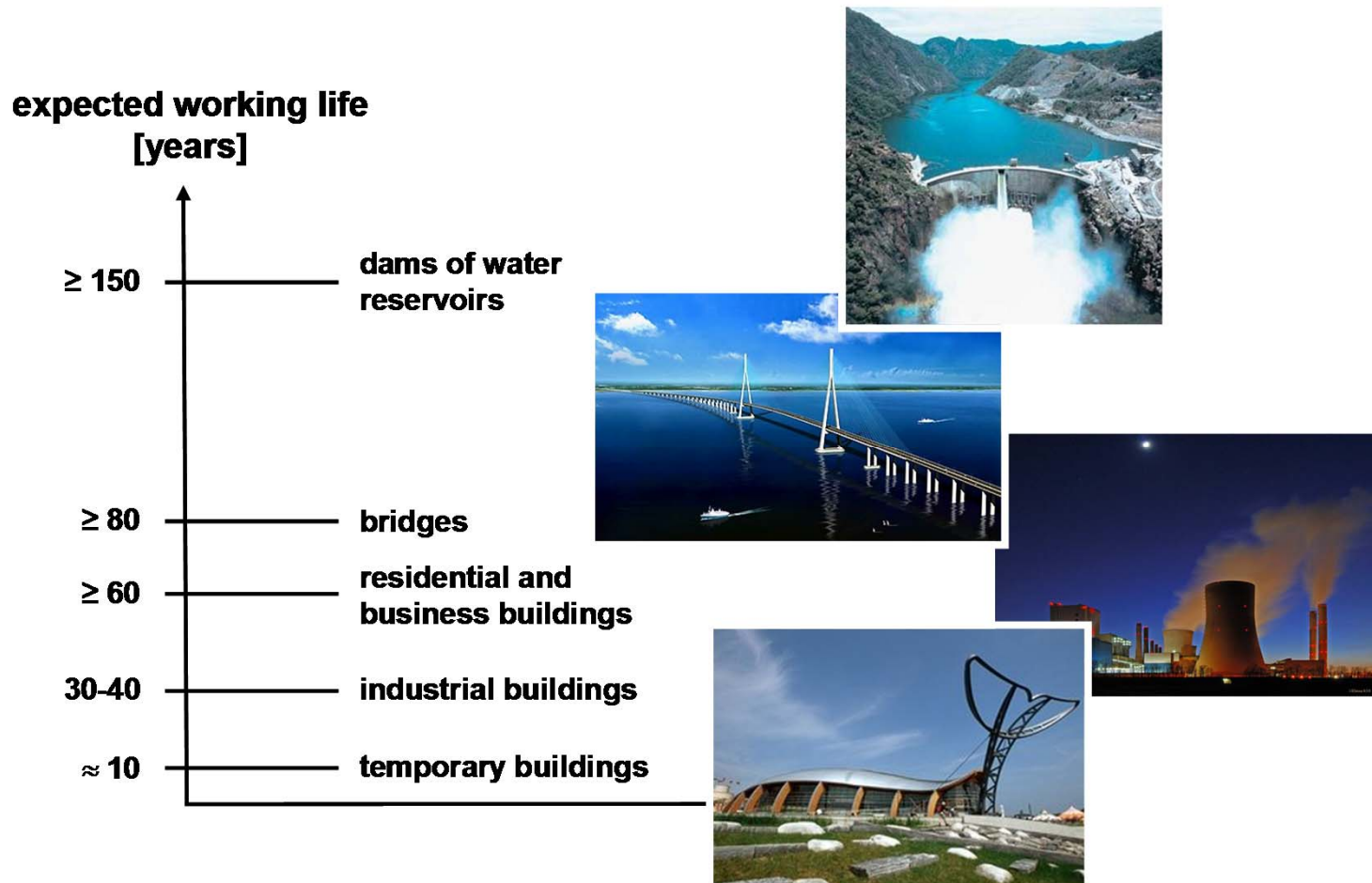
## Serviceability Limit States

	Irreversible effects of Actions	Reversible effects of Actions	
	Characteristic Combination  $w_{tot}$ or $w_{max}$	Frequent Combination  $w_{max}$	Quasi-permanent Combination  $w_{max}$
<b>Function</b> and damage to non-structural members (e.g. partition walls, claddings, etc) <sup>(3)</sup> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brittle</li> <li>• Non-brittle</li> </ul>	$\leq L/500$ to $L/360$ $\leq L/300$ to $L/200$		
<b>Function</b> and damage to structural members	$\leq L/300$ to $L/200$		
<b>To avoid ponding of water.</b> Roof covered with waterproof membrane		$\leq L/250$ <sup>(4)</sup>	
<b>Comfort</b> of user or functioning of machinery		$\leq L/300$	
Crane gantry girders, deflection due to static wheel loads		$\leq L/600$	
<b>Appearance</b>			$\leq L/250$

# Design working life

## Definition in EN 1990

assumed period for which a structure or part of it is to be used for its intended purpose with anticipated maintenance but without major repair being necessary





## Design working life

(1) The design working life should be specified.

NOTE Indicative categories are given in Table 2.1. The values given in Table 2.1 may also be used for determining time-dependent performance (e.g. fatigue-related calculations). See also Annex A.

**Table 2.1 - Indicative design working life**

<b>Design working life category</b>	<b>Indicative design working life (years)</b>	<b>Examples</b>
1	10	Temporary structures <sup>(1)</sup>
2	10 to 25	Replaceable structural parts, e.g. gantry girders, bearings
3	15 to 30	Agricultural and similar structures
4	50	Building structures and other common structures
5	100	Monumental building structures, bridges, and other civil engineering structures

(1) Structures or parts of structures that can be dismantled with a view to being re-used should not be considered as temporary.

# Design working life

