Directed Design of Experiments (DOE) for Determining Probability of Detection (POD) Capability of NDE Systems (DOEPOD)

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Background

"I'm too much of a knucklehead to know this stuff"

"Oh boy, confidence limits. I hate these."

"We use 90/50"

"They don't use 90/50 they use 90/95."

“I should have used 90/50”

"I defer my answer to the statistician"

"I'm not a statistician."

"90/50 POD means that there is a 50% chance that the true POD is greater than 90% at that flaw size?" Responses: "No.", and "Yes.", rest of world gives blank stares.

“Confusion over ‘common definitions’ continues to be an issue…”

“We have been using 29 out of 29 clandestinely for years”
The core issue here is that the NDE folks, nationwide, have delegated basic NDE POD statistical analysis to the statisticians.

This creates a divergence in the interrelationship between the physics of the inspection procedure and the POD statistics.

NDE community should not blindly accept statistical results due to lack of knowledge.

When NDE personnel defer explanations on statistical confidence bounds to others, it's like saying "I don't understand the error bars of my data".

This is not a good position.

We all need to learn and to speak the language of the other.

This is the author's attempt to begin to bridge this gap.
Using The Binomial Distribution

The binomial distribution describes the behavior of a count variable \( X \) if the following conditions apply:

- The number of observations \( N \) is fixed.
- Each observation is independent.
- Each observation represents one of two outcomes ("success" or "failure").
- Use “green” or “red” to represent “Hit” or “Miss”, respectively.
- The probability of "Hit" (POH) is the same for each outcome.

If these conditions are met, then \( X \) has a binomial distribution.

By setting a threshold only two outcomes (Hit/Miss) observations are obtained.
Using The Binomial Distribution (continued)

Use binomial distribution for now.

Other distributions may be used if they can be demonstrated to be better.

- Example values of POH as observed during a test.
Probability of Hit (POH) Example

- Start with 60 flaws in the group.
- Each flaw has with the same probability of being observed as a Hit.
- Make 60 observations.
- If 58 Hits are observed, then the Probability of Hit is $\text{POH} = \frac{58}{60} = 0.97$ (the observed frequency)
- This is an estimated POH since the true POH can only be approached by making an “infinite” amount of observations.
- Now that the Probability of Hit is measured, what is the confidence in that value?
- This is analogous to asking what are the error bars or uncertainty in measurements.
- *Confidence level is the measure of probability associated with a confidence interval expressing the probability of truth of a statement that the interval will include the parameter value.*
- For NDE applications, the confidence bound of interest for Probability of Hit is the lower confidence bound.
Confidence Level Example

If the lower confidence limit (bound, value) = 0.90, then

“There is a 95% chance that the true POH is greater than 90% for that flaw size”
With $X = 58$ Hits after $N = 60$ trials, yielding $58/60 = 0.97$ POH (the observed frequency), the lower confidence bound, $P_l$, may be obtained from*

$$P_l = \frac{X}{X + (N - X + 1) F_\alpha(f_1, f_2)}$$

$$F_\alpha(f_1, f_2) = 1.83 \begin{cases} f_1 = 2(N - X + 1) = 14 \\ f_2 = 2X = 108 \end{cases}$$

$$P_l = 0.9$$

$\alpha$ is, a priori, the confidence level, 95%, that we are requiring $F_\alpha(f_1, f_2)$ is obtained from the F-distribution statistical table

**Note that the POH does NOT change if the confidence level is changed**

$P_l = 0.9$

There is an 95% chance that the true POH is greater than 0.9 at that flaw size

Or

There is a 95% chance that the inspection system reliability is greater than 0.9 at that flaw size

Or

90/95 POD at that flaw size
DOEPOD Concepts

- DOEPOD is a confidence driven approach that dynamically optimizes the class width to obtain the best lowest confidence value.

- Select real initial flaw set or use simulated or existing inspection data. Guidelines are in the manual. (Smallest number of samples is 5).

- Not all flaws are created equally; never identical; but they may be grouped by size, length, depth, etc.

- Use moving average class width and class width size optimization to identify the best lower confidence bound. Class widths start at 0.001” and increase.
Grouping of Flawed Specimens

• Flaws may be grouped into classes by size, length, depth, etc. The grouping may be any class width, e.g., 0.001”, 0.036”, 0.100”, etc.

• If there are sufficient number of flaws, then a moving average may be used to dynamically group adjacent flaws into classes with widths (classwidths).

  ➢ E.g., all flaws in the range 0.050” - 0.150” may be in a group, with the largest flaw being the identifier for the group.

    - Class width here is 0.100”

    - The next group may contain the range 0.049” - 0.149” if the moving average is from largest to smallest flaws.

• POH needs to be determined for each flaw size grouping (number of flaws in each group is not necessarily the same)

• Confidence bounds need to be determined for each flaw size grouping (both X and N vary for each group)

  What is the optimum class width?
Effect of Grouping of Flawed Specimens

Important: When grouping flaws, the observed POH and confidence bound is assigned to the largest flaw in the group.
DOEPOD Concepts (continued)

- Using POH lower confidence bound (value) as **driver** for directing DOE.

- If 90/95 POD is **reached** at a then identify locations that need additional validation for larger flaw sizes.

- If 90/95 POD is **not reached** then use best lower confidence value to identify where options are available to reach 90/95 POD.

- Identify **CASE** of the data set.

- Provide **directions**, depending on the CASE, on how to modify the DOE to continue to efficiently validate the inspection system.

- Determine **false call rate** and associated confidence limit.
### DOEPOD Parameters

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<th>Description</th>
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<td>Inspection parameter (length, depth, etc.)</td>
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<td>Flaw is detected</td>
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<td>Miss</td>
<td>Flaw is not detected</td>
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<td>Need</td>
<td>Add new samples to the existing set in order to reach the number of samples required at the class length</td>
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<td>LCL</td>
<td>Lower confidence bound (value) of POH @ 95% confidence</td>
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<td>Opt. $X_{POH}$</td>
<td>Optimum $X_{POH}$ is identified for non-survey data sets. Optimum $X_{POH}$ is the smallest class length and largest class width at which the minimum $X_{POH} = 1$ occurs. Optimum $X_{POH}$ may be more aggressive than optimal, $X_{POD\text{opt}}$, or $X_{Best\text{LCL}}$ when the class width is constrained to the companion Optimum $X_{POH}$ class width listed. DOEPOD does not force use of Optimum $X_{POH}$ over $X_{POD\text{opt}}$ or $X_{Best\text{LCL}}$. Stability has not been demonstrated at Optimum $X_{POH}$, therefore there is an additional risk that can not be satisfied.</td>
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<td>POH</td>
<td>Probability of Hit (Number of Hits in Class Length/Total Number of Trials in Class Length)</td>
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<td>POD</td>
<td>Probability of Detection (the true POD obtained if an infinite number of samples are used)</td>
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<td>Signal Amplitude</td>
<td>Scalar amplitude output of NDE inspection system</td>
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<td>Survey Data Sets</td>
<td>Survey Data Sets are data sets that have a sparse or disperse collection of samples. The moving average optimization has identified this set as having limited applications to moving average processing. An alternate optimization of $X_{POH}$ is used to provide guidance.</td>
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<td>Survey $X_{POH}$</td>
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DOEPOD Parameters (continued)

\( X_{\text{Best LCL}} \) Class length exhibiting the best LCL. The best class length is determined by increasing the moving average class width until a maximum LCL is obtained.

\( X_i \) Class length \( X \) at point “i”

\( X_L \) Largest class length in entire data set

\( X_m \) Class length near the mid-point between the largest and the smallest class lengths having no misses

\( X_{\text{POD}} \) Class length at which the lower confidence bound (value) is 0.90 or greater (90/95 POD)

\( X_{\text{POH}=1} \) Class length where there are no misses above this class length

\( X_{\text{PODopt}} \) Recommended optional existing smaller class length where \( X_{\text{POD}} \) may also be achieved if additional sample are added.

\( X_S \) Smallest class length in data set

\( \text{UCL} \) Upper confidence value of the false call rate @ 95% confidence
Case #1 (Best Case)

- 90/95 $X_{POD}$ reached at a class length
- Misses only below $X_{POD}$ (and POH =1 everywhere greater than $X_{POD}$)

**Directed Requirements for Validation of 90/95 $X_{POD}$**

- Need samples at largest class length, $X_L$
- Need samples at mid-class length, $X_m \approx (X_L - X_{POD})/2$
- Option: Adding samples at $X_{podopt}$ may yield a new $X_{POD}$ with a smaller class length.
- If this is a survey data set, then only need to add samples at Survey $X_{POH}$ (if listed)
- Option: The user may add samples at Optimum $X_{POH}$. The class width for all added samples at any class length is shown along with the Optimum $X_{POH}$.
- The range of validation may be expanded by adding samples at $2X_L$, $4X_L$, $8X_L$, $16X_L$, etc, if the current range of validation is too small.
Case #1 (Best Case)

Note: Xpodopt is within one class width of Xpod.
Case #2

- 90/95 $X_{POD}$ reached at a class length

- There are misses below $X_{POD}$ and some misses above $X_{POD}$. This is expected as $X_{POD}$ nears the capability of the inspection system.

- Since misses exist at class lengths $X_i$ above $X_{POD}$, then these greater lengths need to be validated. (i.e., The POH < 1 at class lengths $X_i$ above $X_{POD}$ point, $X_{POD}$, so these greater lengths need to be validated.)

**Directed Requirements**

- There are two (2) options that may be used to move this Case #2 toward Case #1
  
  - (a) Add samples of class length $X_i$ where POH<1 (TABLE A). Starting from largest class length, $X_i$, and work toward small class lengths until reaching an acceptable $X_{POD}$ or reaching $X_{POD}$.
  
  - (b) Add samples of class length $X_i$ where POH=1 (TABLE B). Accept a larger $X_{POD}$ class length at any of the $X_i$. This acceptance is valid as long as any existing larger class lengths where POH<1 are shown [via (a) above] to be at 90/95 $X_{POD}$ or greater. Acceptance of a larger $X_{POD}$ is not necessarily the $X_{POD}$ capability for the inspection system.

  *In summary, satisfy the smallest $X_{POD}$ in Table B that is greater than the largest $X_{POD}$ in Table A, and/or the largest $X_{POD}$ in Table A.*

- If this is a survey data set, then only need samples at Survey $X_{POH}$ (if listed), rather than at $X_{POH}=1$

- Option: If Optimum $X_{POH} < X_{POH}=1$ then the user may add samples at Optimum $X_{POH}$ rather than at $X_{POH}=1$. The class width for all added samples at any class length is shown along with the Optimum $X_{POH}$.

- Need samples at largest class length, $X_L$
Case #2

CASE 2 - 90/95 Xpod is reached at a class length.

Further VALIDATION is required.

Recommend satisfying XL and the smallest Xpod in TABLE B that is greater than the largest Xpod in TABLE A, and/or the largest Xpod in Table A.
Case #4

- 90/95 $X_{POD}$ Not Reached
- Best LCL is below 0.9 for the best class width group
- No misses at or greater than class length exhibiting the best LCL, $X_{Best\ LCL}$ (i.e., $POH = 1$ everywhere at or greater than class length currently having the best LCL, $X_{Best\ LCL}$)

**Directed Requirements**

- Need samples of $X_{Best\ LCL}$ in class length to achieve 90/95 $X_{POD}$ at $X_{Best\ LCL}$. $X_{Best\ LCL}$ may equal $X_L$ or $X_{POH=1}$ so that the number of samples listed at this class length are redundantly the same and only one set of samples is needed.
- If this is a survey data set, then need to add samples at Survey $X_{POH}$ (if listed), rather than at $X_{POH=1}$
- **Option:** If Optimum $X_{POH} < X_{POH=1}$ then the user may add samples at Optimum $X_{POH}$ rather than at $X_{POH=1}$. The class width for all added samples at any class length is shown along with the Optimum $X_{POH}$. 
CASE 4 - 90/95 Xpod is not reached anywhere. Recommend satisfying XL and the greater of Xpoh or Xlci.

Analysis file name: DOEPOD_v1.4.5.6.xls

- Probability of Hit (POH) in Class Range
- Actual Lower Confidence Value (95%, F-distribution)
- Estimate of POH - Marquardt Gradient/Grid
- Hit/Miss

NTIAC 90% POD = 0.901 @ 0.350 inch
NTIAC 90/95 POD = 0.901 @ 0.560 inch

False Call Rate = with UCL @ 95%

Largest Classlength, XL = 0.342 inch
Samples Needed @ XL = 27

Classlength Mid-point, Xm = 0.213 inch
Samples Needed @ Xm = 11

Smallest Classlength, Xs = 0.199 inch
Samples Needed @ Xs = 13

New Smaller Classlength, Xxs = 0.213 inch
Samples Needed @ Xxs = 11

BestLCL Classlength, Xlci = 0.342 inch
Samples Needed @ Xlci = 27

POH Classlength, Xpoh = 0.342 inch
Samples Needed @ Xpoh = 27

New Largest Classlength, 2XL = 0.685 inch
Xm Is Near Verification Point = 0.342 inch
Opt. POD classlength, Xpodopt = 0.342 inch
Samples Needed @ Xpodopt = 27
Case #5

- 90/95 $X_{POD}$ Not Reached
- Best LCL is below 0.9 for the best class width group
- There are misses at or greater than class length $X_{Best\ LCL}$
- There exists a class length, $X_{POH=1}$, above which there are no misses.
- There are no misses for class lengths equal to greater than $X_L/3$ (i.e., $X_{POH=1} \leq X_L/3$)
- $X_{POH=1} \leq X_L/3$ so that POH is not fluctuating at larger class lengths. Use $X_{POH=1}$ as the trial $X_{POD}$

**Directed Requirements**

- Need samples of $X_{POH=1}$
- If this is a survey data set, then need to add samples at Survey $X_{POH}$ (if listed), rather than at $X_{POH=1}$
- Option: If Optimum $X_{POH} < X_{POH=1}$ then the user may add samples at Optimum $X_{POH}$ rather than at $X_{POH=1}$. The class width for all added samples at any class length is shown along with the Optimum $X_{POH}$.
- Need 29 samples largest class length, $X_L$
Case #5

Detection Probability

File Name = C7001L_Case5.XLS
Date Set Name = C7001L_Case5(Lpi-a)
Date & Time = 5/11/07 4:31 PM
Xpod 90/95 Reached Anywhere? = Not Reached
Classwidth @ 90/95 Xpod = 0.0440 inch
Classlength @ 90/95 Xpod = 0.0738 inch
Actual Lower Confidence Value = 0.5403 inch
Best LCL = 14.03 inch
Classwidth @ Best LCL = 4.74 inch
Classlength @ Best LCL = 0.0086 inch
e(1) [Alpha] = 0.0026
a(2) [Beta] = 0.0001
Chi-Square = 0.0001

CASE 5 - 90/95 Xpod is not reached anywhere. Recommend satisfying XL and Xpoh.

Survey/Optimum Xpoh = 0.0881 - 0.004 inch
NTIA 90% POD = 0.903 @ 0.215 inch
NTIA 90/95 POD = 0.901 @ 3.360 inch

False Call Rate = 0.0001 with UCL @ 95% = 0.342 inch
Largest Classlength, XL = 0.342 inch
Samples Needed @ XL = 28
Classlength Mid-point, Xm = 0.000 inch
Samples Needed @ Xm = 28
Smallest Classlength, Xs = 0.000 inch
Samples Needed @ Xs = 28
New Smaller Classlength, Xns = 0.000 inch
BestLCL Classlength, Xlcl = 0.000 inch
Samples Needed @ Xlcl = 28
POH Classlength, Xpoh = 0.000 inch
Samples Needed @ Xpoh = 28
New Largest Classlength, 2XL = 0.342 inch
Xm is Near Verification Point
Opt. POD classlength, Xpopt = 0.000 inch
Samples Needed @Xpopt = 28

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→ Optimum Xpoh Available; Using Best LCL

Probability of Hit (POH) in Class Range
Actual Lower Confidence Value (95%, F-distribution) = Estimate of POH - Marquardt Gradient/Grid
Hit/Miss
Case #6

- 90/95 $X_{POD}$ Not Reached
- Best LCL is below 0.9 for the best class width group
- There are misses at or greater than class length $X_{Best\ LCL}$
- There exists a class length, $X_{POH=1}$, above which there are no misses.
- There are are misses for class lengths greater than $X_L/3$ (i.e., $X_{POH=1} > X_L/3$)
- $X_{POH=1} > X_L/3$ so that POH may be fluctuating rapidly.

**Directed Requirements**

- Need to expand current range of $X_L$ by adding new samples with class lengths of $2X_L$ or greater
- Need samples of $X_{POH=1}$. $X_{POH=1}$ may equal $X_L$ so that the number of samples at this class length are redundantly the same and only one set of samples is needed.
- Need 29 samples at largest class length, $2X_L$
- If this is a survey data set, then need to add samples at Survey $X_{POH}$ (if listed), rather than at $X_{POH=1}$
- Option: If Optimum $X_{POH} < X_{POH=1}$ then the user may add samples at Optimum $X_{POH}$ rather than at $X_{POH=1}$. The class width for all added samples at any class length is shown along with the Optimum $X_{POH}$. 
CASE 6 - 90/95 Xpod is not reached anywhere. Recommend satisfying XL, Xpoh, and 2XL.
Case #7

- 90/95 $X_{POD}$ Not Reached
- Best LCL is below 0.9 for the best class width group
- There are misses at or greater than class length $X_{Best LCL}$
- There does NOT exist a class length, $X_{POH=1}$, above which there are no misses.
- POH may be fluctuating rapidly
- There may be no hits anywhere

**Directed Requirements**

- Inspection system may not be appropriate for meeting inspection criteria
- If this is a survey data set, then need to add samples at Survey $X_{POH}$ (if listed)
- Option: The user may add samples at Optimum $X_{POH}$. The class width for all added samples at any class length is shown along with the Optimum $X_{POH}$.
- Need to expand current range of $X_L$ by adding new samples with class lengths of $2X_L$ or greater
- Need 29 samples at largest class length, $2X_L$
CASE 7 - 90/95 Xpod is not reached anywhere. Recommend satisfying 2XL and Optimum Xpod (if listed).
Survey and Optimized $X_{POH}$ Data Sets

- This data set has insufficient number of samples for unconstrained moving average optimization

- The moving average optimization has determined that there is a moving average class width for which the smallest $X_{POH}=1$ class length is identified. The Survey and Optimum $X_{POH}$ class lengths and class widths are identified on the charts as Survey/Optimum $X_{POH}$.

  - For example, the listing:

  Survey/Optimum $X_{POH} = 0.0500 – 0.015$ inch (need 18 samples)

  indicates that a class width of 0.015” has been used and the Survey or Optimum $X_{POH}$ occurs at 0.0500”, and that 18 additional samples may be added to achieve $X_{POD}$ add at that class length. The added samples should have sizes that range anywhere between 0.0500” and 0.035”, inclusively.

- If Survey/Optimum $X_{POH}$ is pursued, then the class width for all added samples at any other class length is to be the same as that for Survey/Optimum $X_{POH}$.

**Directed Requirements**

- Need samples at Survey/Optimum $X_{POH}$
- Need samples at $X_L$
- Survey results are not available when user sets the class width
Case #5 - Survey

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→ Survey Data Set; System Set Class Width

○ Probability of Hit (POH) in Class Range  ▲ Actual Lower Confidence Value (95%, F-distribution) = Estimate of POH - Marquardt Gradient/Grid  × Hit/Miss

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Survey Data Set: 90/95 Xpod is not reached anywhere. Recommend satisfying XL and Survey Xpodh (if listed).
DOEPOD Example

Does the fastener type affect the capability of the inspection system?
CASE 7 - Xpod is not reached anywhere. Recommend satisfying 2XL and Optimum Xpod (if listed).

Inspector Y
**DOEPOD Example** (continued)

Does the fastener type affect the capability of the inspection system?

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<th>Optimum Xpod (Best Xpod that could be achieved if test specimens are added) (in)</th>
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DOEPOD Example (continued)

All Inspectors

CASE 1 - 90/95 Xpod is NOW VALIDATED from Xpod to XL. An alternate 90/95 Xpod is available if Xpodpot or Optimum Xpod (if listed) is also satisfied.
False Calls

• False Calls are handled similarly except the upper confidence limit* $P_u$ is used

\[
\text{False Call Rate} = \frac{\text{Number of False Calls (X)}}{\text{Number of False Call Opportunities (N)}}
\]

\[
P_u = \frac{(X + 1) F_\alpha(f_1, f_2)}{(N - X) + (X + 1) F_\alpha(f_1, f_2)}, \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l}
  f_1 = 2(X + 1) \\
  f_2 = 2(N - X)
\end{array} \right.
\]
False Calls

• Test samples with no flaws present may be included in DOEPOD for determination of false call rate and the upper confidence value of the false call rate at 95% confidence. For test samples with no flaw present, enter flaw size of 0.00001”

• False call rate may be explored and optimized by adjusting signal amplitude threshold.

• Warning: May reach 90/95 $X_{POD}$ at cost of increasing false call rate. Need to know what false call rate is acceptable.

• False calls rate should not be accepted as is without first addressing the cause of the false call and identifying procedures to remove false calls. May need to modify or add inspection protocols.
### DOEPOD Data Entry

#### Hit / Miss Data

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DOEPOD REQUIREMENTS

• Inspection processes are to be under control and fixed.

• Multiple inspection processes may be used on the same set of test samples with the constraint that Directed DOE POD is to be executed for each process separately. When multiple inspection processes or systems are used, the resulting directed sample requirements may be overlapping. In this situation, the user is to keep the non-overlapping directed sample requirements applied to the appropriate inspection process, while utilizing overlapping directed sample requirements for the multiple processes in order to minimize the number of generated test samples.

• There are to be an equal number of unflawed samples during any test.

• There are to be more than two (2) samples at different class lengths.

• A moving average that groups flaws of similar size is used to optimize the lower confidence value. This moving average and best lower confidence bound (value) optimization will be invoked if there are more than four (4) samples at different class lengths.

• Flaw sizes must be greater than 0.00001”

• Test samples with no flaws present may be included for determination of false call rate and the upper confidence value of the false call rate at 95% confidence. For test samples with no flaw present, enter flaw size of 0.00001”

• The maximum number of test samples is 1999.

• Be prepared to generate, inspect, and evaluate test samples during the NDE technology capability determination.

• Validated 90/95 $X_{POD}$ is obtained when the user has reached and satisfied the sample requirements of Case 1. **That is, there is a 95% chance that the probability of detection of the system is greater than 90% for class lengths in the range 90/95 $X_{POD}$ to XL.**
SUMMARY

- Concept for Binomialization of Test Data
- Process for determining observed probability of hit (POH) and associated confidence limits
- Utilization of moving average to group flaws and flaw class width optimization
- Identification of POD CASES and directed actions needed to validate inspection systems.
- False call rate and confidence
- DOEPOD Data Entry
- DOEPOD Beta (2,500 lines of code, PC and MAC, limited distribution)
- Future work: DOEPOD upgrades
  - Interface with predicted POD MIL-HDBK-1823 - companion tool
  - Address very limited data sets when 90/95 $\text{X}_{\text{POD}}$ can never be reached, and communicating those risks.
• DOEPOD Probability of Hit estimating curve is for visualization only and not used in the DOEPOD analysis.

• Probability of Hit estimating curve is not to be used for validation or for justification of validation.

• The default function used in DOEPOD is:

\[
POH = \frac{\exp(a(1) + a(2) \times \log(x1))}{1 + \exp(a(1) + a(2) \times \log(x1))}
\]

\[a(1) = \alpha\]

\[a(2) = \beta\]

\[x1 = \text{Flaw size}\]

• Other multi-parameter functions may be used