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Introduction

The International Standard ISO 13623 allows the use of innovative techniques and procedures such as reliability-based limit state methods providing the minimum requirements of ISO 13623 are satisfied.

This International Standard provides the supplement to ISO 13623 in giving recommendations and specifying the framework and principles for the application of the probabilistic approach, i.e. "reliability-based limit state methods".

Pipeline integrity management during design and operation are performed by the following two limit state approaches:

- a deterministic approach, with the use of safety or usage factors applied to characteristic loads and resistances; and
- a probabilistic approach, based on structural reliability analysis applied to the relevant limit states, e.g. reliability-based limit state methods.

Both approaches satisfy the safety requirements; implicitly by the deterministic approach (via earlier-calibrated safety factors) and explicitly by the probabilistic approach (a direct check on the actual safety level) as illustrated in Figure 1.

Significant differences exist among member countries in the areas of public safety and protection of the environment. Within the safety framework of this International Standard, such differences are allowed for and individual member countries can apply their national requirements for public safety and the protection of the environment to the use of this International Standard.

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Petroleum and natural gas industries — Pipeline transportation systems — Reliability-based limit state methods

1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the functional requirements and principles for design, operation and re-qualification of pipelines in the petroleum and natural gas industries using reliability-based limit state methods as permitted by ISO 13623. Reliability-based limit state methods provide a systematic way to predict pipeline safety in design and operation.

This International Standard supplements ISO 13623 and can be used in cases where ISO 13623 does not provide specific guidance and where limit states methods can be applied, such as, but not limited to,

- qualification of new concepts, e.g. when new technology is applied or for design scenarios where industry experience is limited,
- re-qualification of the pipeline due to a changed design basis, such as service-life extension, which can include reduced uncertainties due to improved integrity monitoring and operational experience,
- collapse under external pressure (in deep water),
- extreme loads, such as seismic loads (e.g. at a fault crossing), ice loads (e.g. by impact from ice keels),
- situations where strain-based criteria can be appropriate.

This document applies to rigid metallic pipelines on-land and offshore used in the petroleum and natural gas industries.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 13623:2000, *Petroleum and natural gas industries — Pipeline transportation systems*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1

basic variable

load or resistance variable entering the limit state function including the variable accounting for model uncertainty in the limit state function itself

3.2

characteristic load

nominal value of a load to be used in determination of load effects

NOTE Characteristic load is normally based upon a defined fractile in the upper end of the distribution function of the load.

**3.3
characteristic resistance**

nominal value of a strength parameter to be used in determination of capacities

NOTE Characteristic resistance is normally based on a defined fractile in the lower end of the distribution function of the resistance.

**3.4
characteristic value**

nominal value to characterize the magnitude of a stochastic variable

NOTE Characteristic value is normally defined as a fractile of the probability distribution of the variable.

**3.5
commissioning**

activities associated with the initial filling of a pipeline with the fluid to be transported

[ISO 13623]

**3.6
construction**

phase comprising installation, pressure testing and commissioning

**3.7
design life**

period of time selected for the purpose of verifying that a replaceable or permanent component is suitable for the anticipated period of service

[ISO 13623]

**3.8
design point**

most probable outcome of the basic variables when failure occurs

NOTE The design point is the point on the limit-state surface with the highest probability density.

**3.9
design value**

value to be used in the deterministic design procedure, i.e., characteristic value multiplied by the safety factor

**3.10
failure**

loss of ability of a component or a system to perform its required function

**3.11
fluid category**

categorization of the transported fluid according to hazard potential

**3.12
importance factor**

dimensionless number between zero and one describing the contribution of a random variable to the overall uncertainty

**3.13
inspection**

processes for determining the status of items of the pipeline system or installation and comparing it with the applicable requirements

EXAMPLE Inspection can be by measuring, examination, testing, gauging or other methods.

3.14**limit state**

state beyond which the pipeline no longer satisfies the design requirements

NOTE Categories of limit states for pipelines include serviceability limit state (SLS) and ultimate limit state (ULS).

3.15**limit-state design**

structural design where specific limit states relevant for the actual case are explicitly addressed

NOTE A limit-state design check can be made both using the deterministic approach or using the probabilistic approach where uncertainties are modelled.

3.16**limit state function**

function of the basic variables, which has negative values when the structure fails and positive values when the structure is safe

3.17**load**

any action causing deformation, displacement, motion, etc. of the pipeline

3.18**load combination**

set of loads acting simultaneously

3.19**load effect**

effect of a single load or load combination on the pipeline

EXAMPLE Load effects include stress, strain, deformation, displacement.

3.20**location class**

geographic area classified according to criteria based on population density and human activity

[ISO 13623]

3.21**maintenance**

all activities designed to retain the pipeline in a state in which it can perform its required functions

[ISO 13623]

NOTE These activities include inspections, surveys, testing, servicing, replacement, remedial works and repairs.

3.22**maximum allowable incidental pressure****MAIP**

maximum allowable internal pressure due to incidental operation of the pipeline or pipeline section

3.23**maximum allowable operating pressure****MAOP**

maximum allowable pressure at which a pipeline, or parts thereof, is allowed to be operated

[ISO 13623]

3.24
mean value

first order statistical moment of the probability distribution function of the considered variable

3.25
mill test pressure

test pressure applied to pipe joints and pipe components upon completion of manufacture and fabrication at the mill

3.26
model uncertainty

uncertainty in the predictions of a selected calculation model that remains when the exact values of all input parameters are known

EXAMPLES Load model, strength model, function model for the pipeline.

3.27
nominal wall thickness

specified wall thickness of a pipe, which is equal to the minimum design wall thickness plus the negative manufacturing tolerance and the corrosion allowance

3.28
normal operation

conditions that arise from the intended use and application of the pipeline, including associated condition and integrity monitoring, maintenance and repair

NOTE Normal operations includes steady flow conditions over the full range of design flow rates, as well as possible packing and shut-in conditions.

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3.29
ovality

deviation of the pipeline perimeter from a circle, having the form of an elliptical cross-section

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3.30
pipeline

those facilities through which fluids are conveyed, including pipe, pig traps, components and appurtenances, up to and including the isolating valves

[ISO 13623]

3.31
offshore pipeline

pipeline laid in maritime waters and estuaries seaward of the ordinary high water mark

[ISO 13623]

3.32
on-land pipeline

pipeline laid on or in land, including lines laid under inland water courses

[ISO 13623]

3.33
reliability

ability of a component or a system to perform its required function without failure during a specified time interval

NOTE Reliability equals 1 minus the failure rate, P_f .

3.34**risk**

combination of the probability of an event and the consequences of the event

[ISO 17776]

NOTE Individual risk is related to the risk of a single person injury/death and societal risk is the risk of human safety in the entire society affected by the pipeline.

3.35**safety class**

concept to classify the criticality of pipelines

3.36**safety factor**

γ

factor by which the characteristic value of a variable is multiplied to give the design value

3.37**specified minimum tensile strength****SMTS**

minimum ultimate tensile strength required by the specification or standard under which the material is purchased

3.38**specified minimum yield strength****SMYS**

minimum yield strength required by the specification or standard under which the material is purchased

[ISO 13623]

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3.39**system reliability**

reliability of a system of more than one element, or the reliability of an element which has more than one relevant failure mode

3.40**target safety level**

maximum acceptable failure probability level for a particular pipeline and limit state condition

4 Symbols and abbreviated terms**4.1 Symbols**

C_f	consequences of a given failure
P_f	probability of a failure, i.e. the actual failure rate calculated
$P_{f, target}$	target safety level, equal to the target probability of failure
R	resistance or the capability of a structure or part of a structure to resist load effects
S	load effect on a structure or part of a structure
γ	safety factor
$g(x)$	limit state function