



Transitioning From Appendix R to NFPA 805: Combined Analysis Pathway

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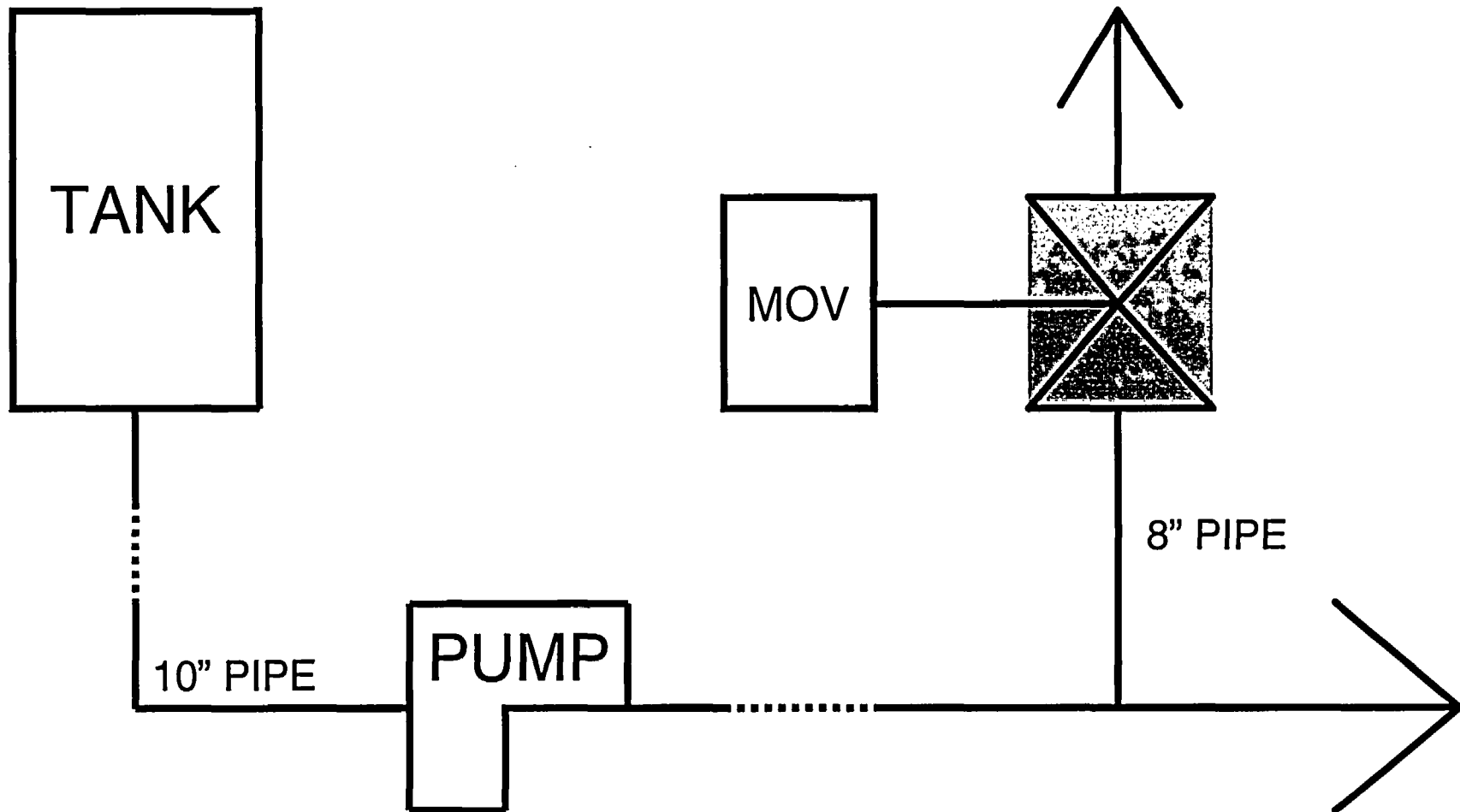


TRANSITIONING FROM APPENDIX R TO NFPA 805: COMBINED ANALYSIS PATHWAY

Illustrative method for NFPA 805
transition (Section 4.2.4) via train
free of fire damage example



Flow Diversion - MOV





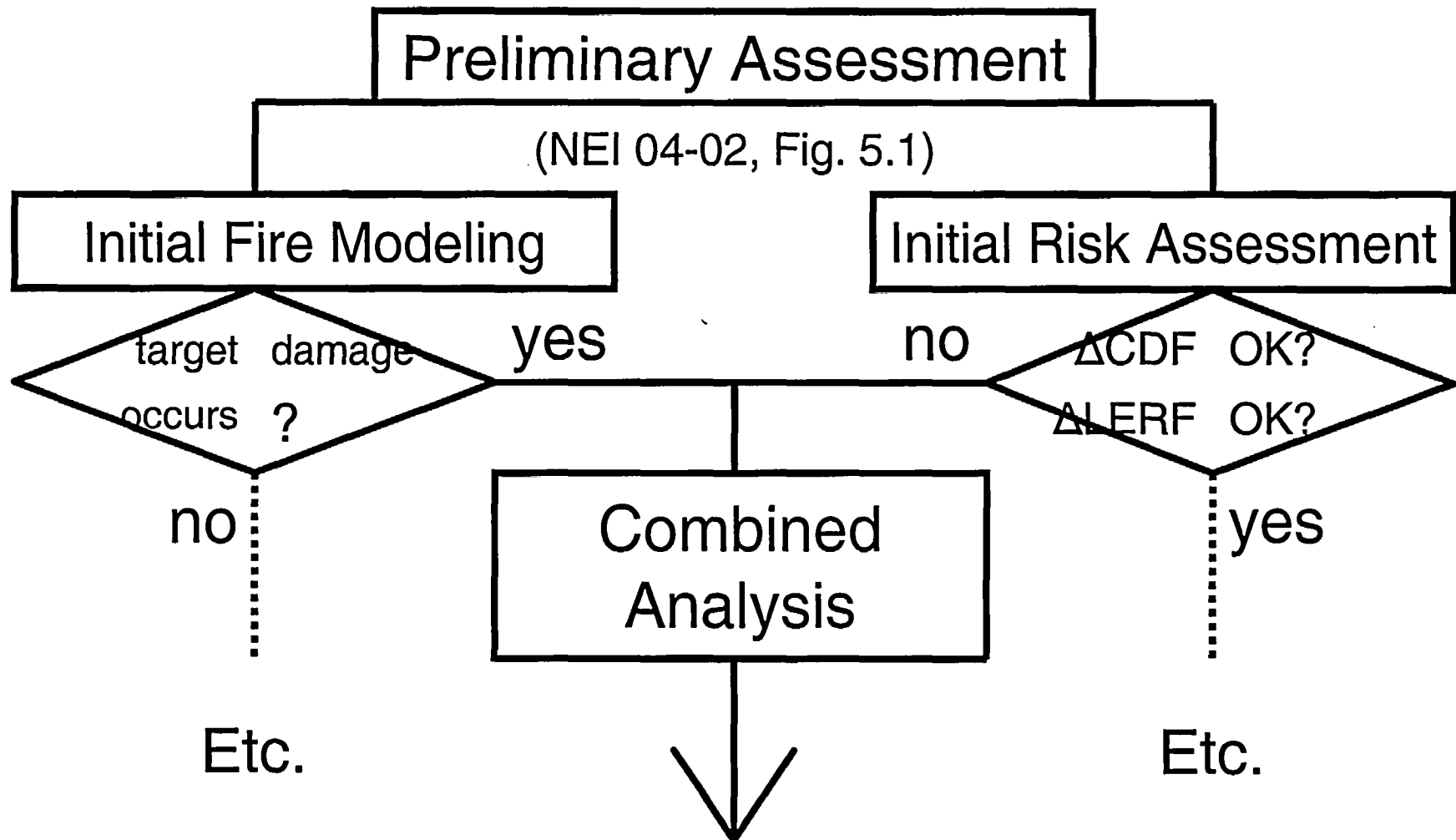
Train Free of Fire Damage



- Normally de-energized conductor for normally-closed MOV in flow diversion path located in same cable (and cable tray) with other energized conductors
 - Spurious energizing of MOV control cable due to fire-induced “hot short” with an energized conductor could open MOV → flow diversion
 - MOV and its cable are within train that needs to be free of fire damage



Change Evaluation Process





Initial Fire Modeling



- Maximum Expected Fire Scenario (MEFS)
 - Most challenging fire that can reasonably be expected to occur → “realistic and conservative” (NFPA 805, Section 1.6.39)
 - Assume thermoplastic cables subject to MEFS with exposure temperature = 550°F
 - Thermoplastic control cables subject to fire damage at > 400°F → “target damage” can occur
 - Possible “hot shorting” of MOV control circuit with another de-energized conductor in same or adjacent cable



Initial Risk Assessment **NRR**

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- Fire frequency (λ) = 0.01/yr
- Probability of non-suppression (P_{NS}) = 0.05
- Probability of cable failure (P_{CF})
 - At 550°F, thermoplastic cable fails in 7 min
 - Assume fixed halon suppression system, if effective, extinguishes fire in 1 min
 - P_{CF} (6-min “damage” margin) = 0.25



Risk Assessment

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- Probability of spurious actuation (P_{SA})
 - Thermoplastic, intra/inter-cable = 0.6
- Conditional core damage probability (CCDP) = 0.05
- Δ Core damage frequency (CDF) = product of all of above = $4E-6/\text{yr} > 1E-6/\text{yr}$
 - All of above are “mean” values



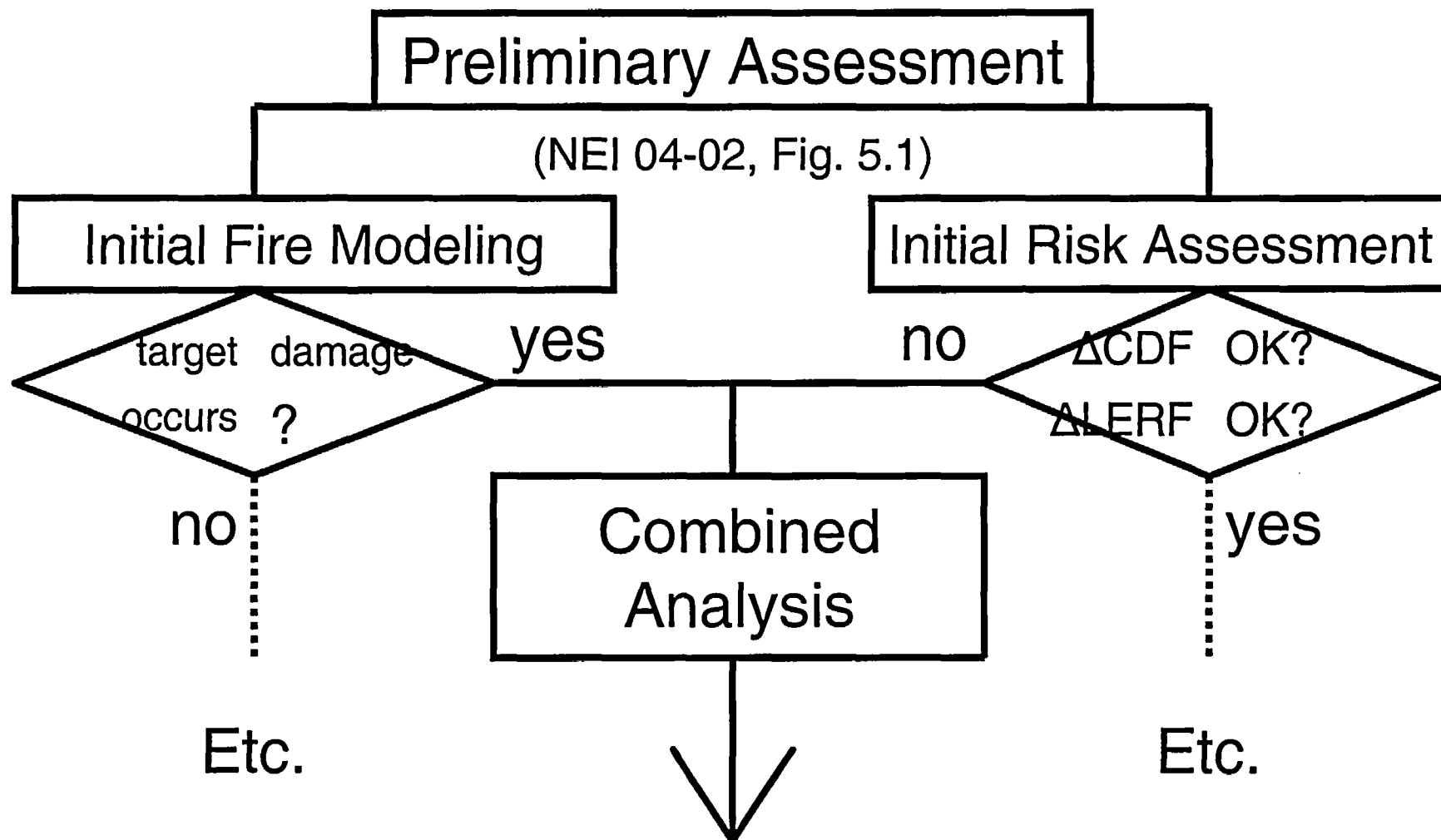
Combined Analysis



- Two pathways
 - Initial fire modeling → target damage occurs?
YES ($550^{\circ}\text{F} > 400^{\circ}\text{F}$)
 - Initial risk assessment → ΔCDF (ΔLERF) ok?
NO ($4\text{E-6/yr} > 1\text{E-6/yr}$)
- When neither pathway succeeds, perform Combined Analysis
 - More detailed modeling of fire effects may lower ΔCDF (ΔLERF)

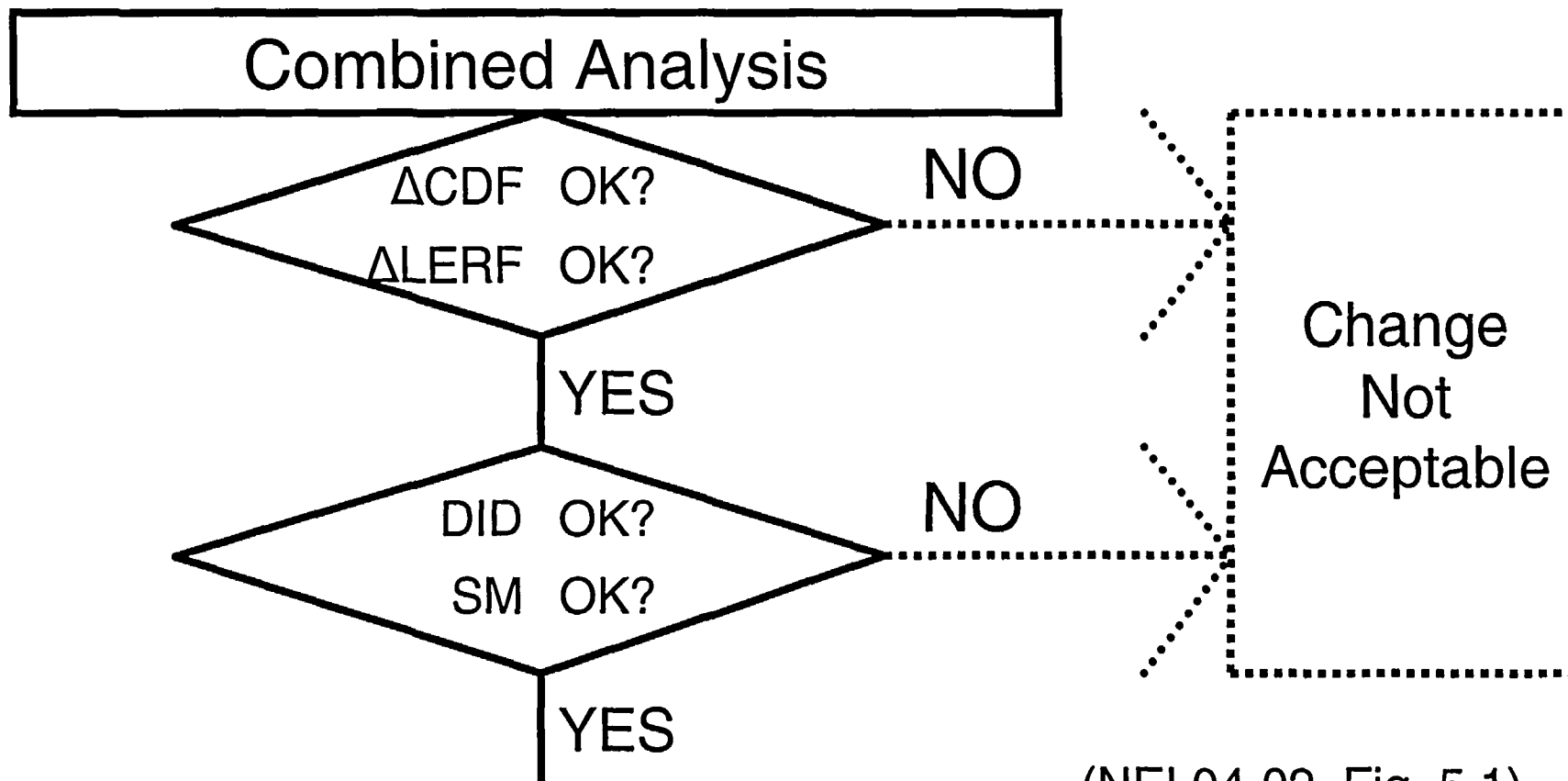


Change Evaluation Process





Evaluation Process (Continued)



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Combined Analysis

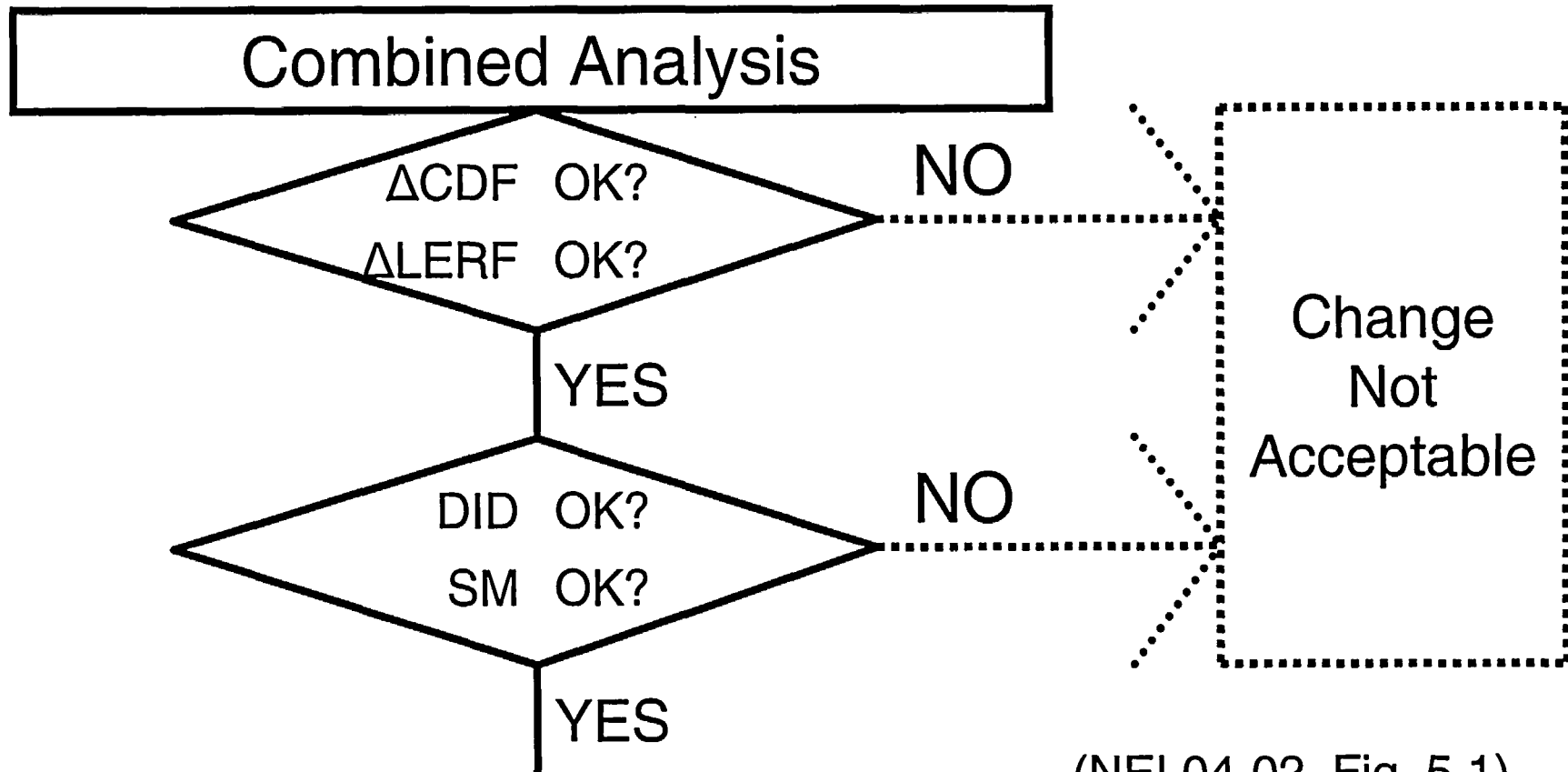
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- ΔCDF ($4\text{E}-6/\text{yr}$) assumed zonal $\lambda = 0.01/\text{yr}$
 - More detailed modeling of fire scenario indicates “severity factor” (likelihood that MEFS actually damages target cable) = 0.1
 - Also, fire cannot damage all components in zone, leaving available some previously assumed to be lost \rightarrow CCDF reduced by factor of 2
 - $\Delta\text{CDF} = (0.1/2) \times 4\text{E}-6/\text{yr} = 2\text{E}-7/\text{yr} < 1\text{E}-6/\text{yr}$
 - (Similar approach for ΔLERF , omitted in example)



Evaluation Process (Continued)



(NEI 04-02, Fig. 5.1)



Adequate DID and SM NRR



- Although typically qualitative, a quantitative estimate on the upper bound ΔCDF can suggest whether additional DID or SM is needed
 - Assume λ , P_{NS} , P_{CF} and CCDFP are lognormal variables with large EFs of 10 each
 - Total compound EF on $\Delta CDF = \exp \{ (4[\ln 10]^2)^{0.5} \} \approx 100$, implying an upper bound $\approx 4E-7/\text{yr} < 1E-6/\text{yr}$
 - DID and SM criteria, in addition to ΔCDF and $\Delta LERF$ (omitted in example) are satisfied



Summary



- Example for train free of fire damage chosen to illustrate transition to NFPA 805 via Change Evaluation Process pathway for combined analysis
 - Initial fire modeling indicates that target damage occurs, AND
 - Initial risk assessment indicates ΔCDF or $\Delta LERF > RG\ 1.174$ acceptance threshold