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ENTSORGUNGSOPTIONEN FÜR RADIOAKTIVE RESTSTOFFE:
INTERDISZIPLINÄRE ANALYSEN UND
ENTWICKLUNG VON BEWERTUNGSGRUNDLAGEN

Technical concepts for storing HLW - Monitoring, renewal and refurbishment of storage facilities

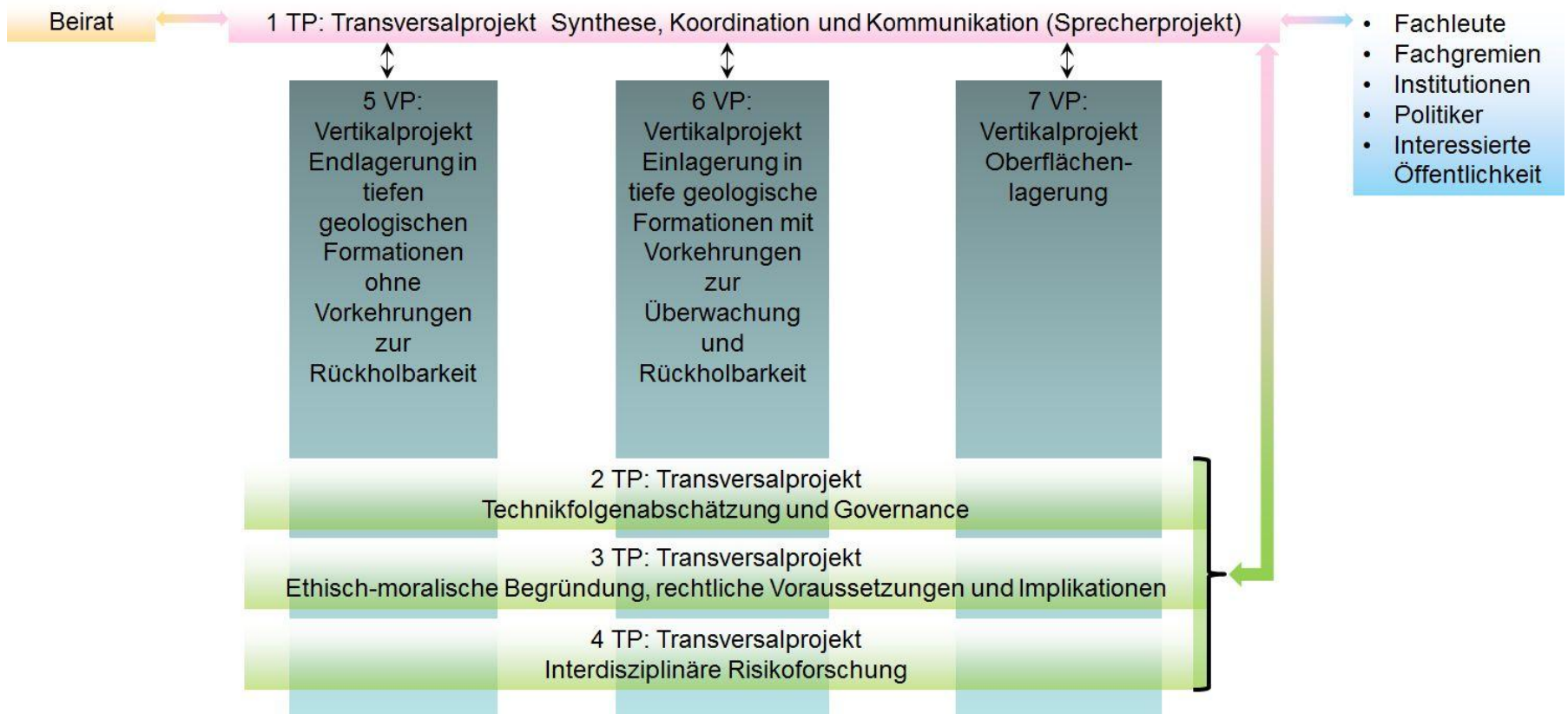
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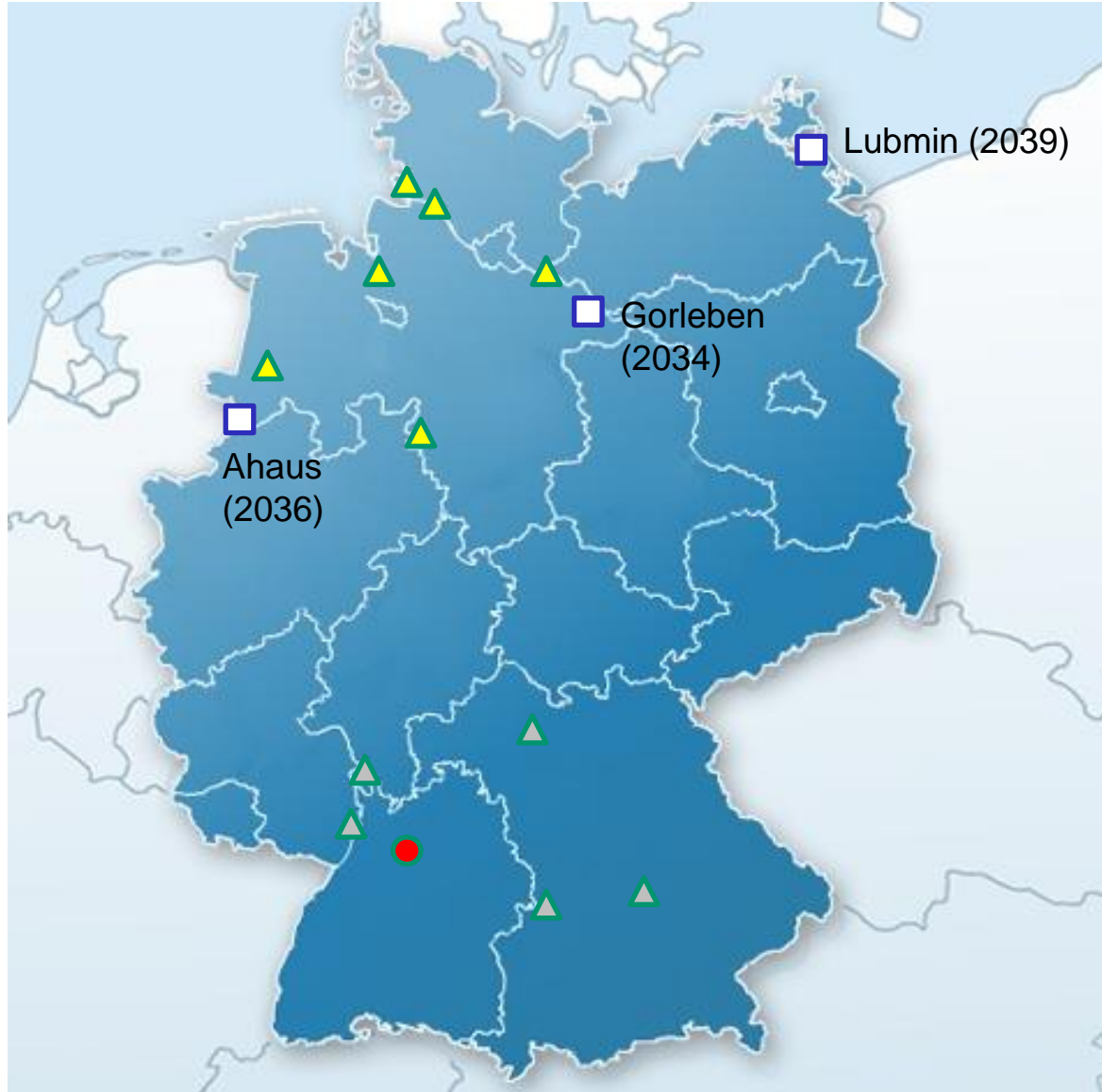


WP 7.1: Civil Engineering Concepts

WP 7.2: Probabilistic, monitoring-based Safety- and Life-Cycle-Concept

WP 7.3: Requirements due to Methods of Waste Treatment

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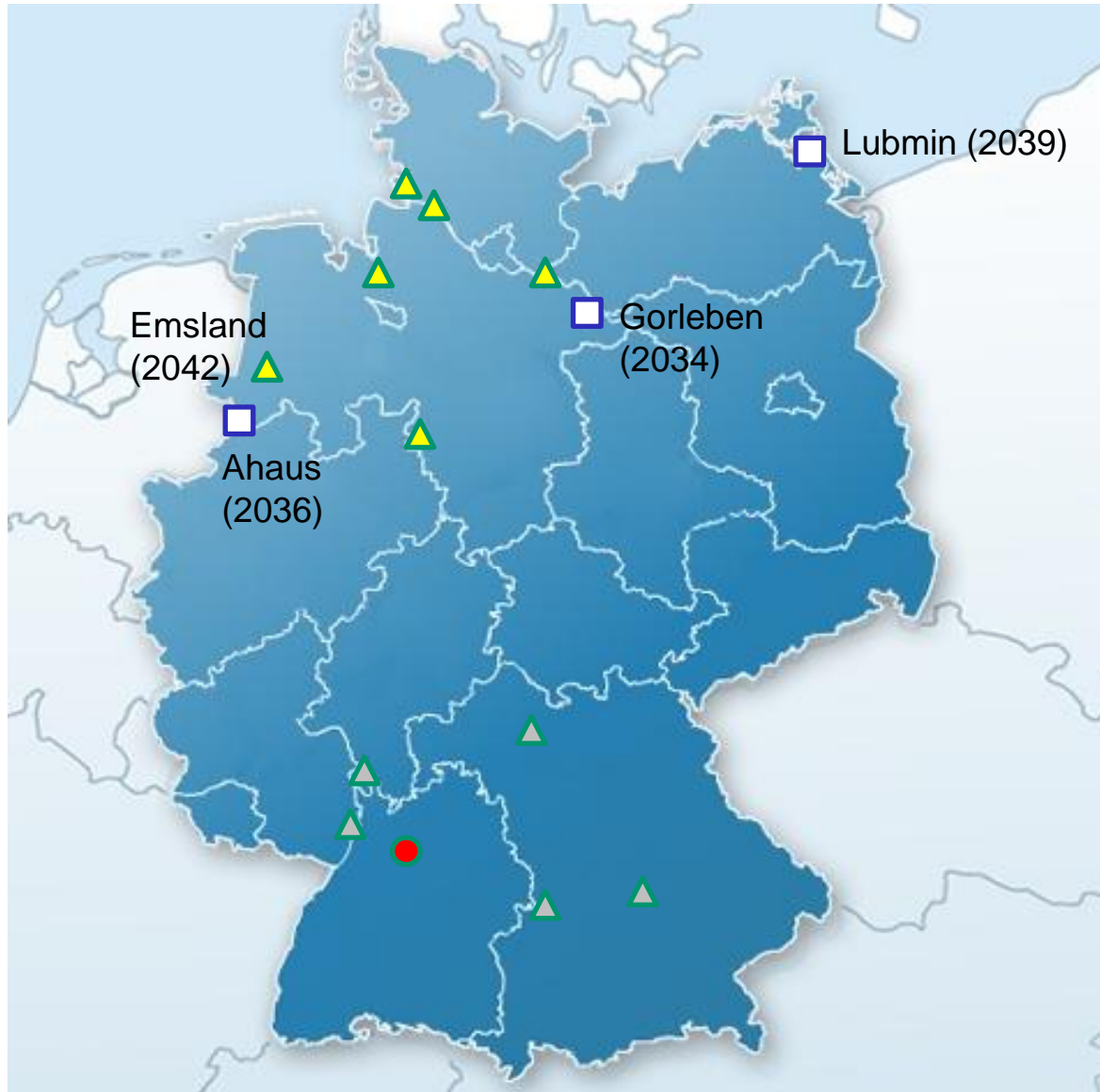
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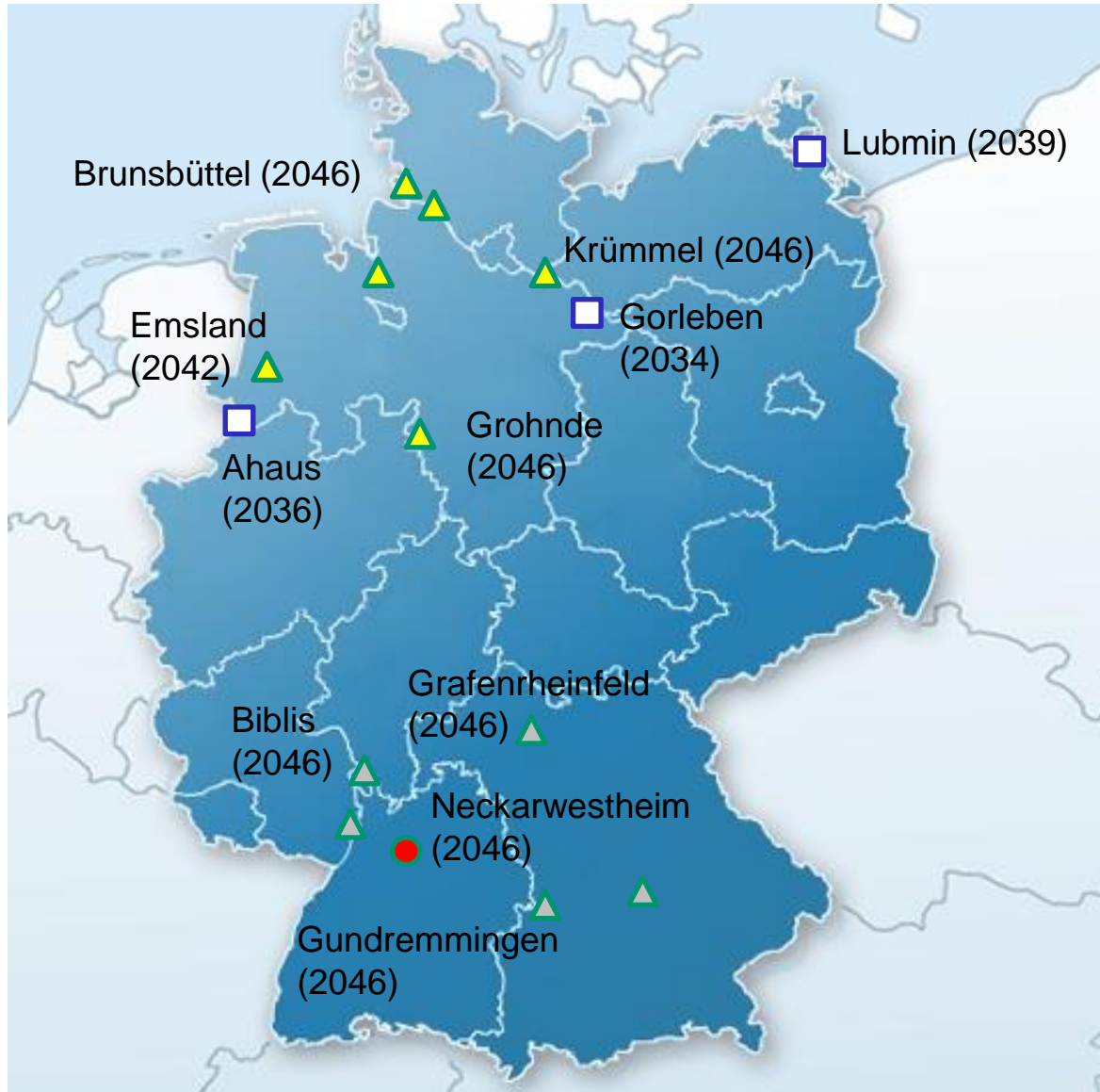
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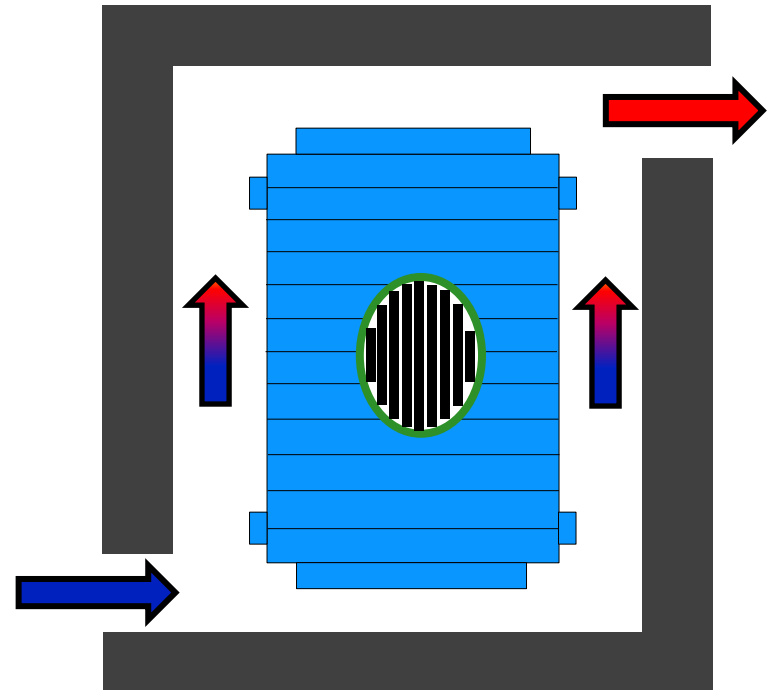
Which requirements have to be met?

IAEA Safety Standards [SF-1]:

„The **fundamental safety objective** is to protect people and the environment from harmful effects of ionizing radiation“

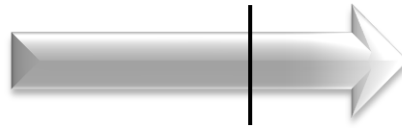
Ensured by:

- Radiation shielding
- Safe enclosure
- Removal of decay heat
- Subcriticality

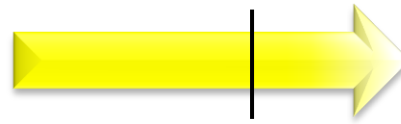


Resistance of storage facilities

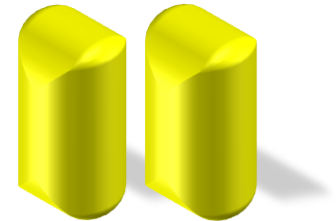
Individual components (Building/Cask)



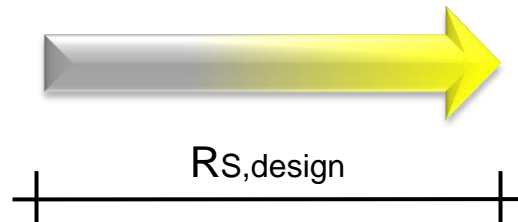
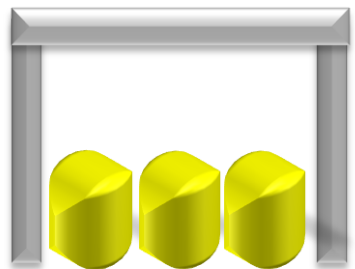
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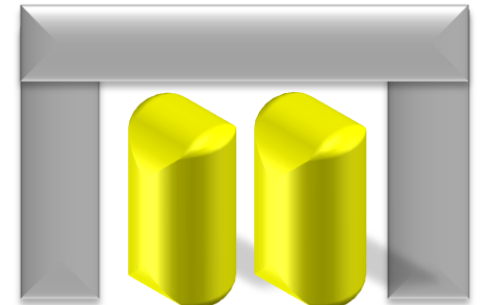
$R_{C,design}$



Whole system



$R_{S,design}$



General storage concepts – Part 1

Referring to [1], [2]

Type	Option	Examples
Independent Spent Fuel Storage Pool (Wet Storage of Spent Fuel)	Water in a deep stainless steel lined concrete pool within an enclosed structure	Most ARs + many AFRs worldwide
Vertical Dual-Purpose Spent Fuel Dry Storage/Transfer Cask	Heavily shielded steel cask with spent fuel sealed in inner steel canister (i.e. double-lidded)	CASTOR, TN, NAC-ST/STC, BGN Solutions
Concrete Dry Storage Vault with Thimble Tube Storage Wells	Heavily shielded concrete vault with thimble tube storage wells for spent fuel	MVDS, MACSTOR, HABOG



Centralized **wet** storage facility (Oskarshamn, S) [3]



Centralized **vault** storage facility HABOG (Vlissingen, NL)

Decentralized storage facility for **dual-purpose casks** (Krümmel, D) [4]

General storage concepts - Part 2

Referring to [1], [2]

Type	Option	Examples
Vertical Concrete Dry Spent Fuel Storage Cask/Silo	Heavily shielded concrete cask/silo with spent fuel sealed in an inner steel canister	CONSTOR, HI-STORM
Horizontal Modular Concrete Dry Spent Fuel Storage	Heavily shielded modular concrete storage with spent fuel sealed in an inner steel canister	NUHOMS, NAC-MPC/UMS, MAGNASTOR
Dry Geologic Storage (Tunnel or Mine)	Dry gas-filled spent fuel canisters emplaced in an isolated deep tunnel or mine and backfilled with earth	

HI-STORM **Vertical** storage **cask** [5]

NUHOMS **Horizontal** storage **module** [6]



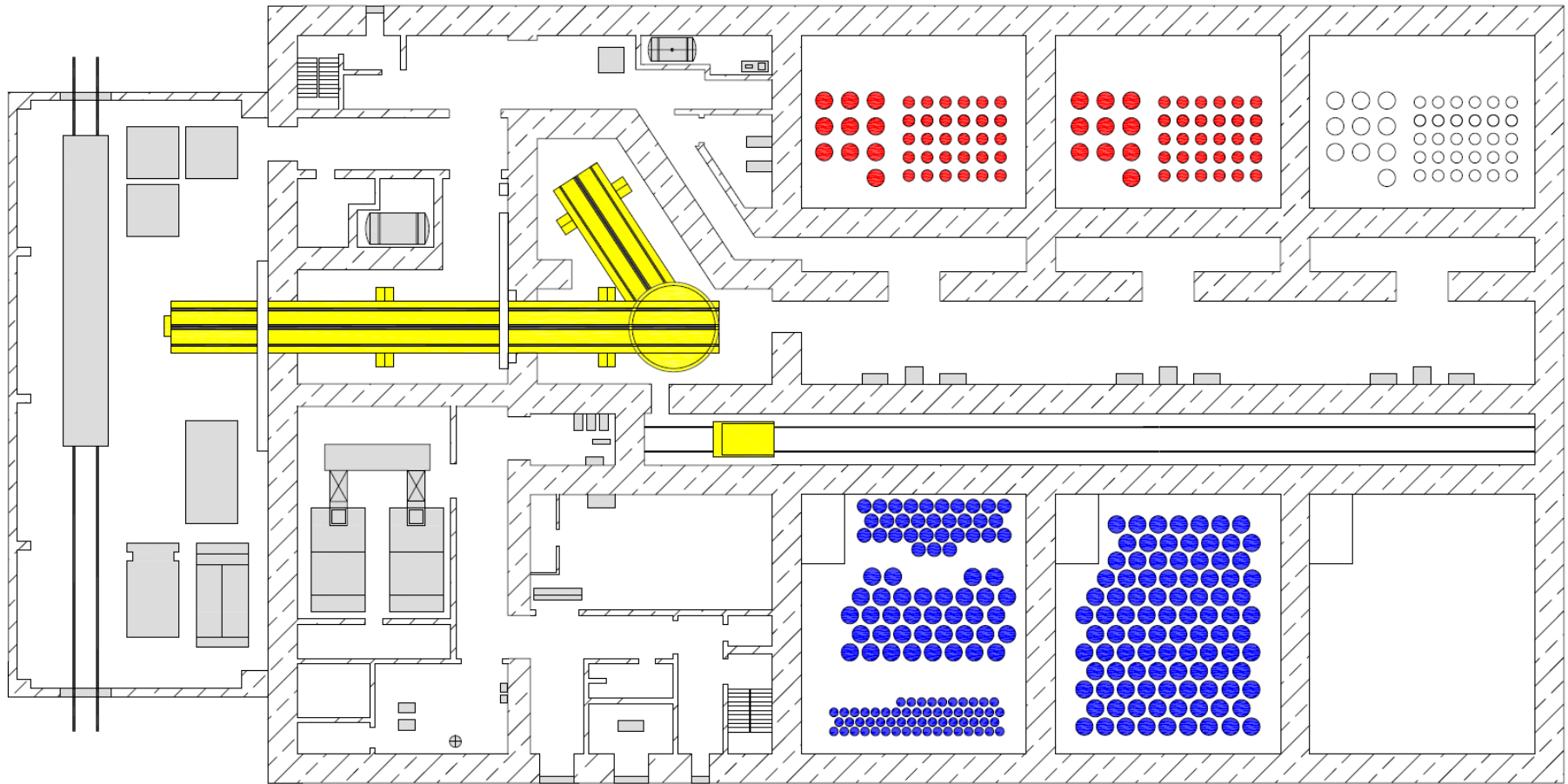
COVRA: Centrale Organisatie voor Radioactief Afval
(Central Organisation for Radioactive Waste)

HABOG: Hoogradioactief Afval Behandeling- en Opslag Gebouw
(High Level Waste Treatment and Storage Building)

Design of the HABOG at Vlissingen, NL

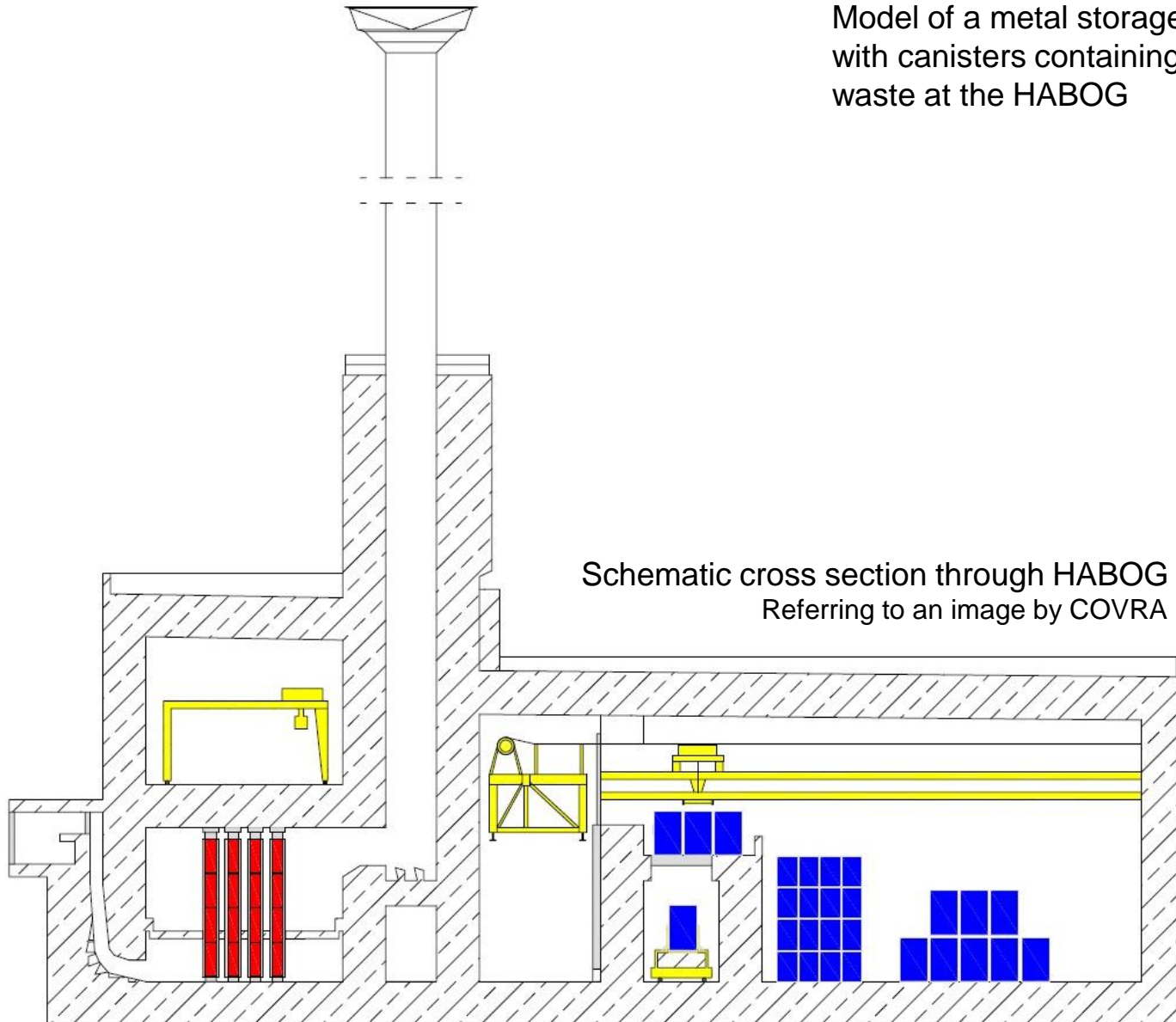
Storage of **heat-generating**/not heat-generating high level waste in different storage modules

Referring to an image by COVRA



Design of the HABOG at Vlissingen, NL

Model of a metal storage tube filled with canisters containing vitrified waste at the HABOG



Impressions of the HABOG at Vlissingen, NL



Reception Area



Hot Cell



Heavy shielding door



Storage module for heat-generating high level waste

STEAG-Concept at Krümmel, Germany

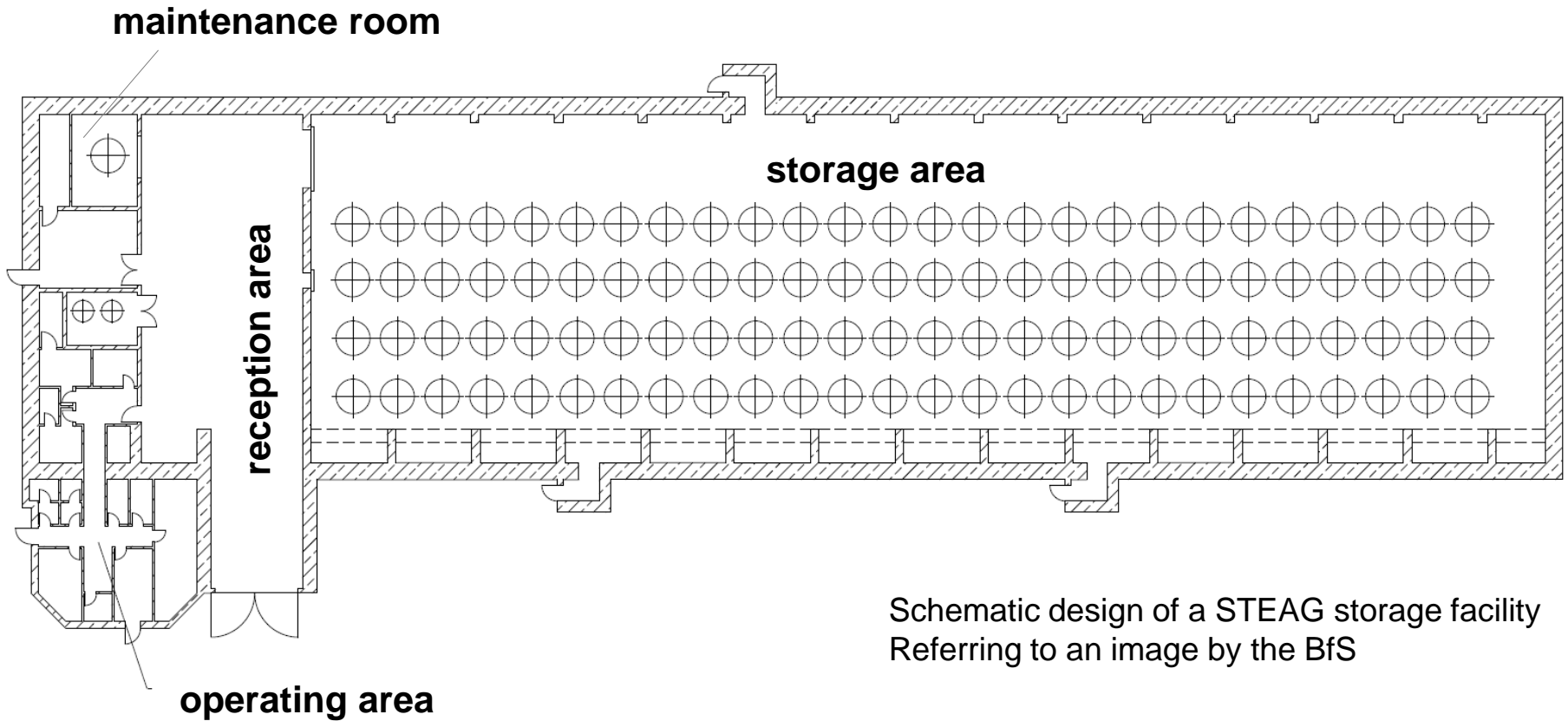


Operator: Vattenfall

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Construction: STEAG (Steinkohlen-Elektrizitäts-AG)

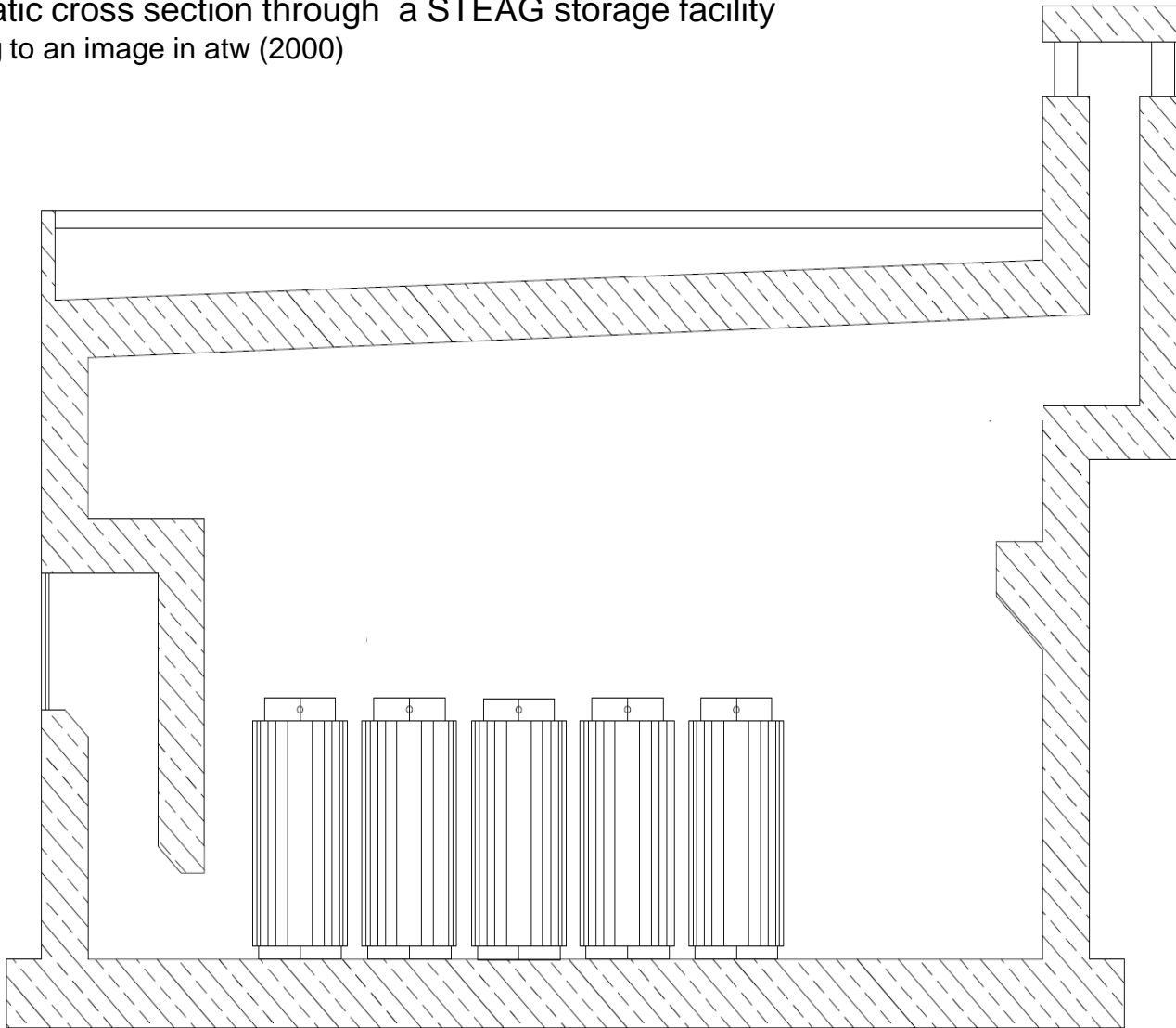
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Schematic cross section through a STEAG storage facility
Referring to an image in atw (2000)



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Reception area

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Storage area



Maintenance room



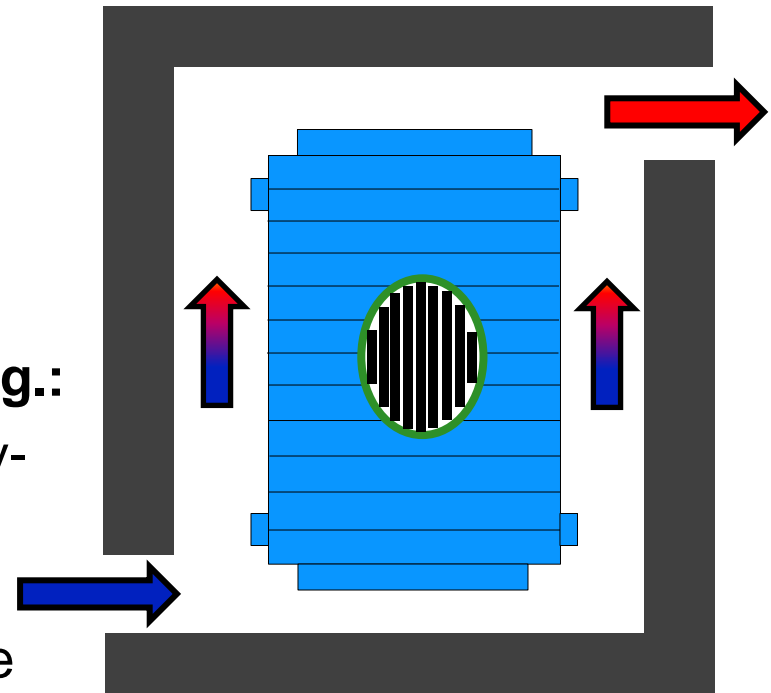
How are the safety objectives realized?

Safety objectives in general:

- Radiation shielding
- Safe enclosure
- Removal of decay heat
- Subcriticality

Specified in (inter-)national guidelines, e.g.:

- IAEA-TECDOC-1558 - Selection of Away-From-Reactor Facilities for Spent Fuel Storage - A Guidebook
- ESK (D) - Guidelines for dry cask storage of spent fuel and heat-generating waste
- ENSI-G04/d (CH) - Design and operation of storage facilities for radioactive waste and spent fuel



PROJECT NEEDS AND SELECTION CRITERIA FOR AFR STORAGE

1. Spent fuel information
 2. Location and infrastructure
 3. Facility needs
 4. Resourcing needs
 5. Regulatory needs
 6. Management of project, quality and risk
 7. International obligations
- Project needs
8. Site
 9. Safety and licensing
 10. Environmental impact
 11. System flexibility
 12. Operation and maintenance
 13. Decommissioning
 14. Cost and financing
 15. Bid evaluation
- Selection criteria

Structural performance

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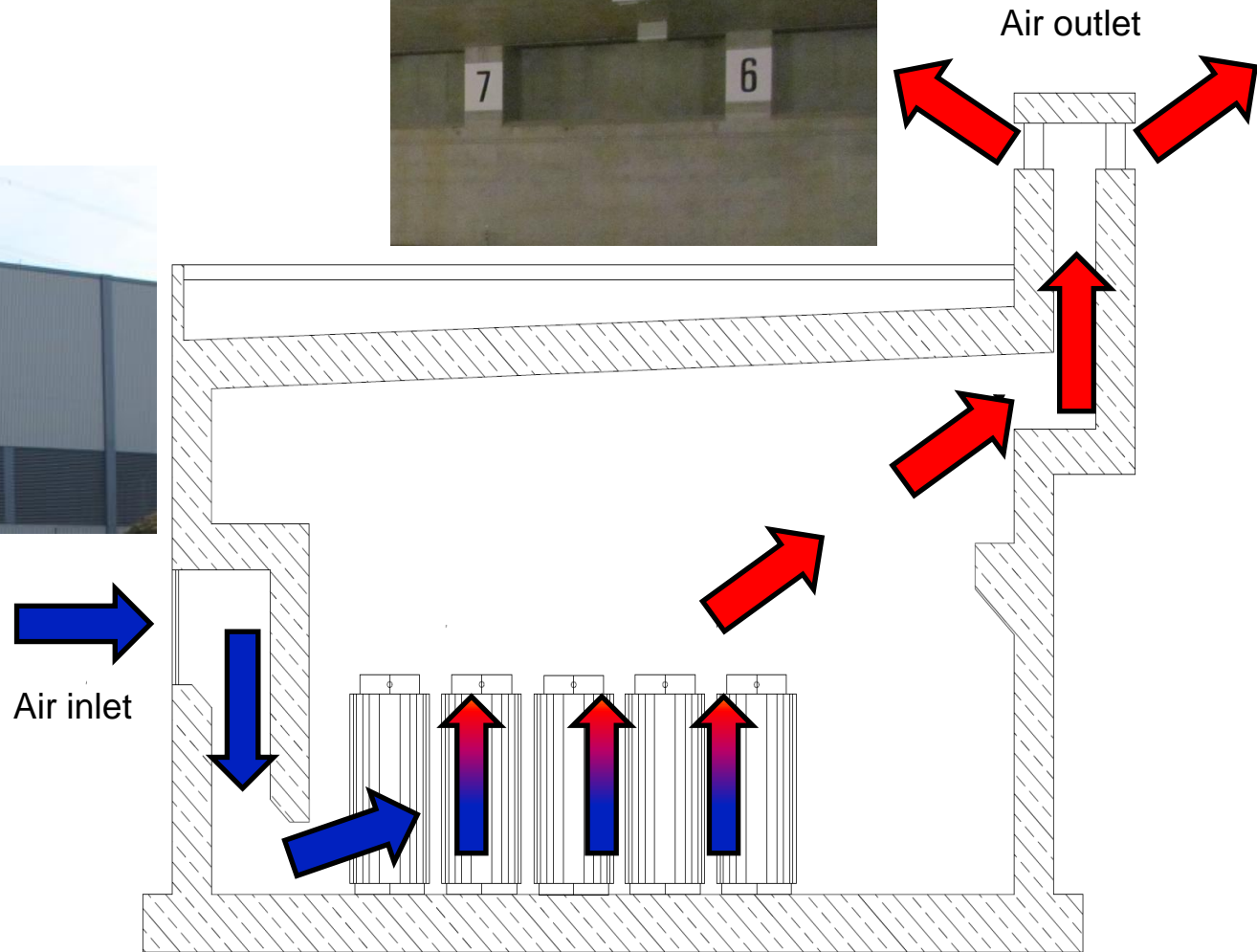
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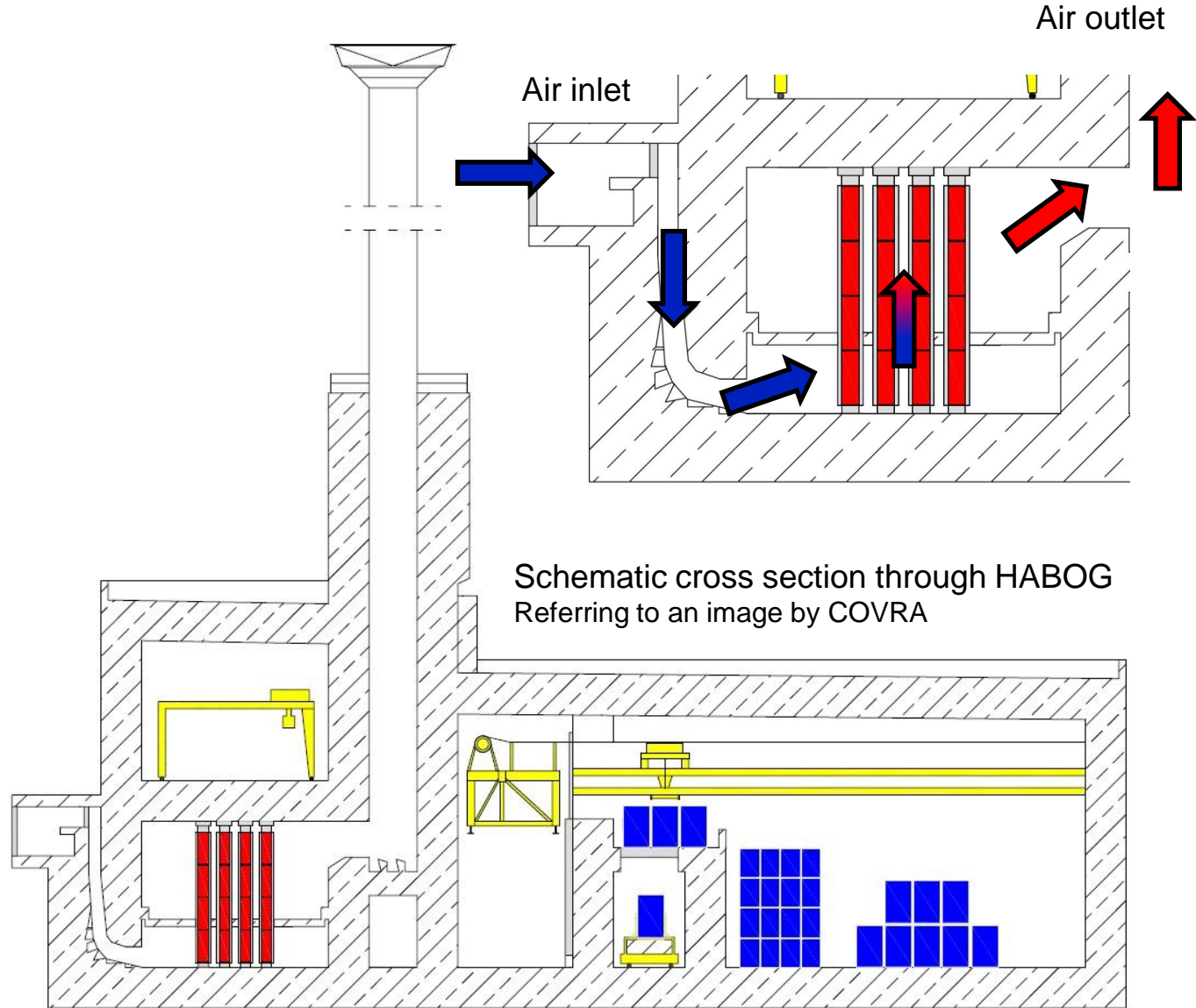
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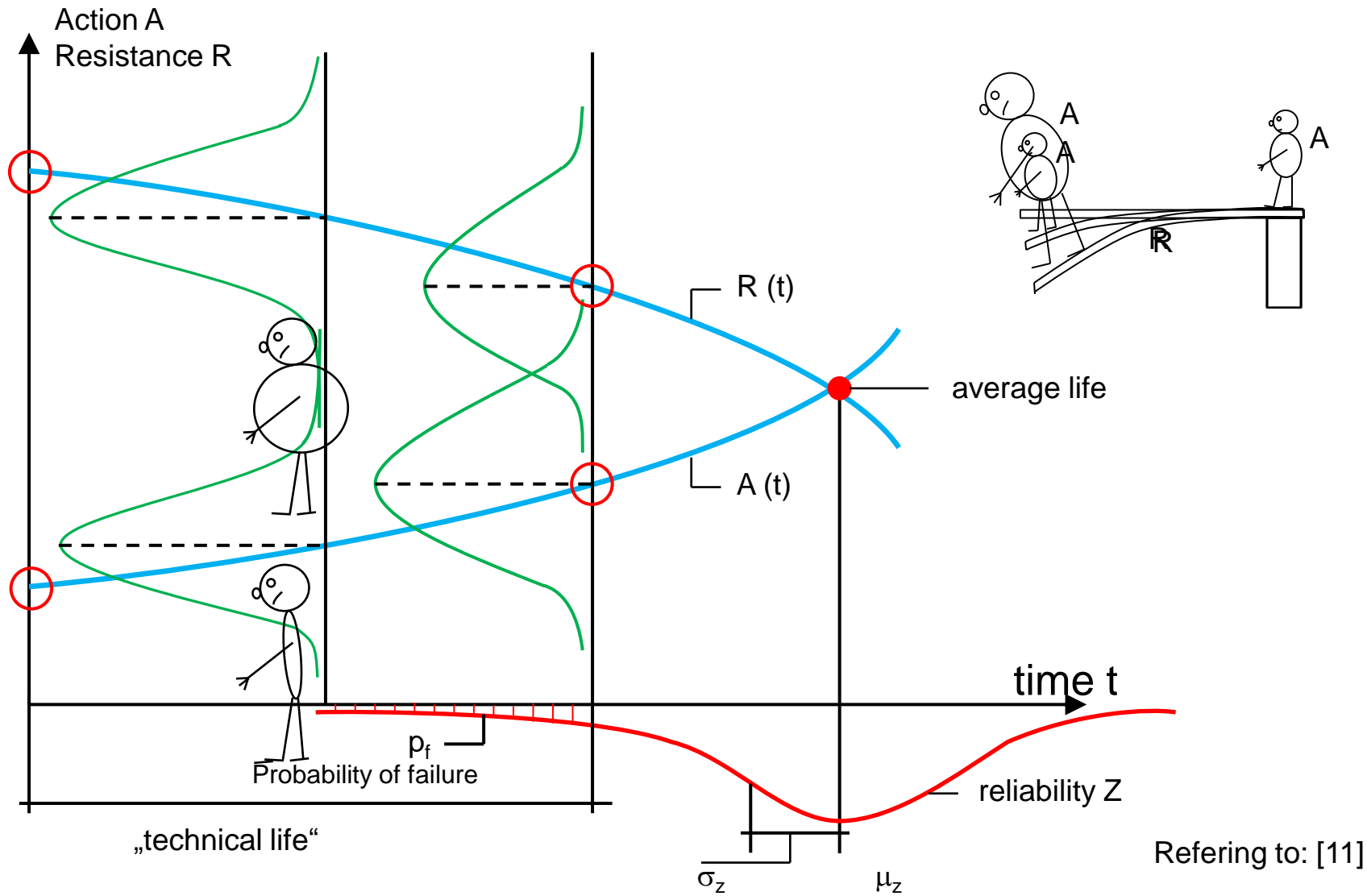
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Structural performance - Action and resistance



Referring to: [11]

Inside concrete by Micro-CT

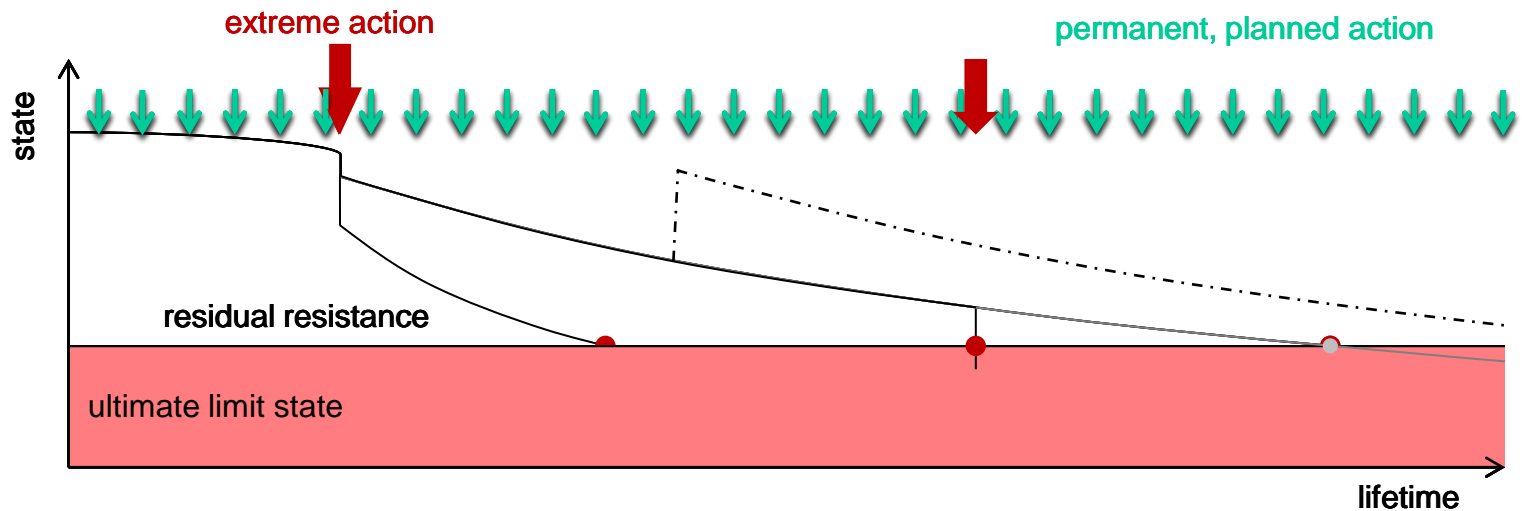
Why does the resistance of a structure decrease?

Several parameters related to:

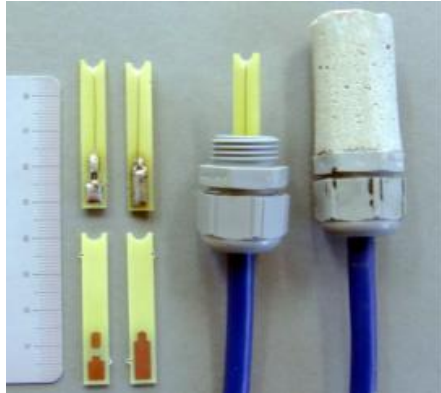
- material
- structural details or design
- workmanship
- internal stresses
- external stresses
- in-service stresses
- level of maintenance. [10]



State-lifetime-relation of a building with respect to extreme actions



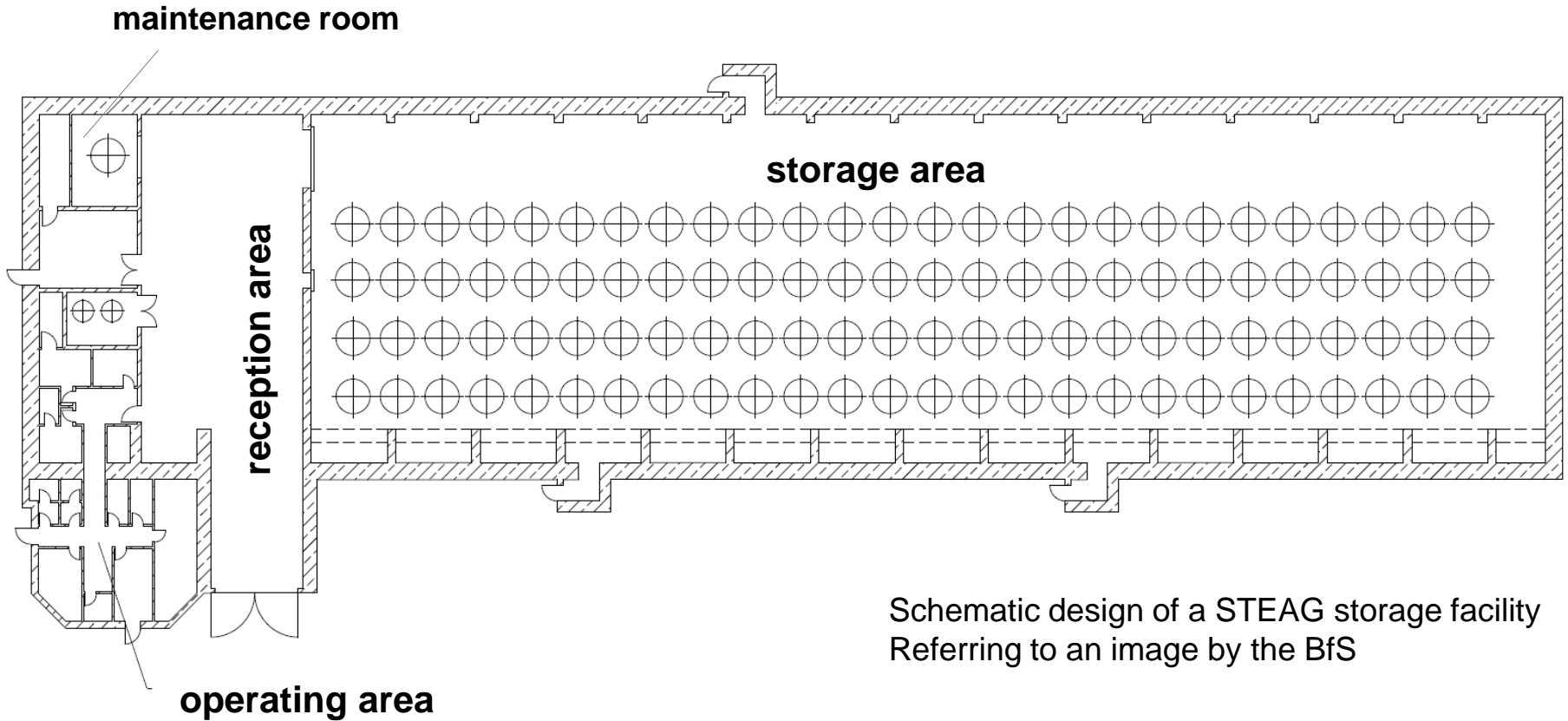
Monitoring methods



Concrete Property or Characteristic	Evaluation Method*																				
	Air Permeability (S)	Audio Methods (N)	Break-off Methods (S)	Carbonation Depth (D)	Chloride Testing (S)	Core Testing (D)	Infrared Thermography (N)	Instrumentation (N)	Magnetic Methods (N)	Modal Analysis (N)	Petrographic Methods (D)	Probe Penetration (S)	Pullout Testing (S)	Radar (N)	Radiation/nuclear (N)	Rebound Hammer (N)	Stress Wave Transmission (N)	Tomography (N)	Ultrasonic Pulse Velocity (N)	Visual Inspection (N)	
Alkali-Carbonate Reaction											X										
Air Content	X										X										
Acidity			X	X																	
Alkali-Silica Reaction											X										
Bleeding Channels											X										X
Cement Content											X										
Chemical Composition											X										X
Chloride Content					X	X															
Compressive Strength			X		X							X	X			X				X	
Concrete Cover					X			X					X								
Aggregate Content											X										
Mixing Water Content											X										
Corrosive Environment	X		X	X																	X
Cracking		X			X	X	X			X					X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Creep					X	X															
Delamination		X			X	X				X					X	X	X	X	X	X	
Density					X										X						
Elongation					X	X															
Embedded Parts													X	X				X			
Frost Damage											X										
Honeycomb					X					X					X		X	X	X		
Modulus of Elasticity					X															X	
Modulus of Rupture					X																
Moisture Content					X					X											
Structural Performance		X					X		X												X
Permeability	X										X										
Pullout Strength													X								
Aggregate Quality											X										X
Freeze/Thaw Resistance											X										
Soundness						X									X			X			
Splitting-Tensile Strength						X															
Sulfate Resistance											X										
Tensile Strength			X		X																
Concrete Uniformity											X					X					X
Voids						X								X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Water-Cement Ratio											X										

[Source: 12] (N) = nondestructive method, (S) = semidestructive method, and (D) = destructive method.

Monitoring and refurbishment in the storage area?



Schematic design of a STEAG storage facility
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