

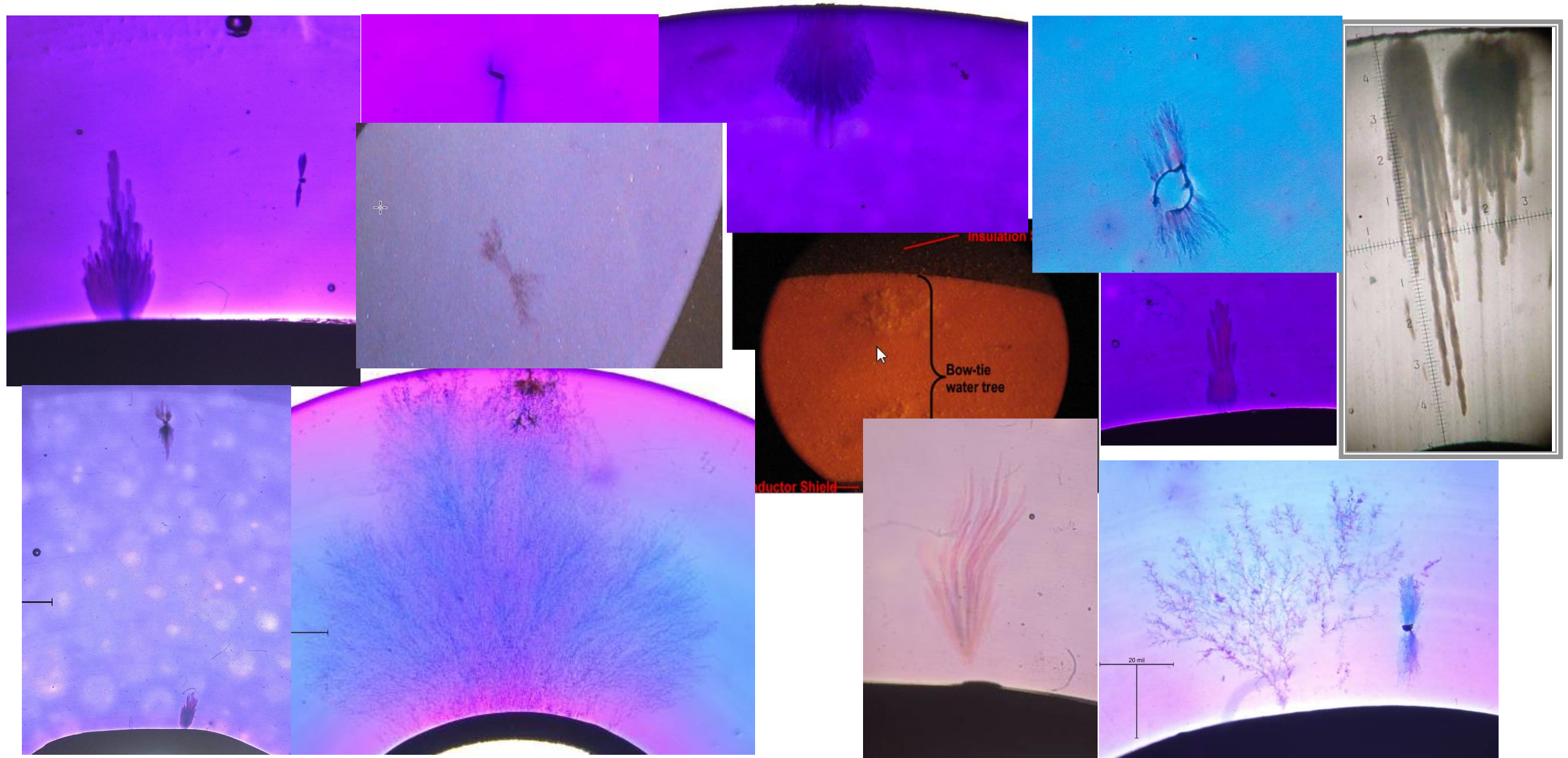


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# **Datamining Historical Reports of Service Performance**

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# Water Trees observed in EPR, HMWPE, WTRXLPE, XLPE



# What was the initial impact of Water Trees?

- When did it occur?
- How rapidly did it develop?
- How did it look at the time?

## SUMMARY OF SERVICE FAILURE OF HIGH VOLTAGE EXTRUDED DIELECTRIC INSULATED CABLES IN THE UNITED STATES

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### Comparative Failure Rates for 5-35 kV HMW and XLP Extruded Cables

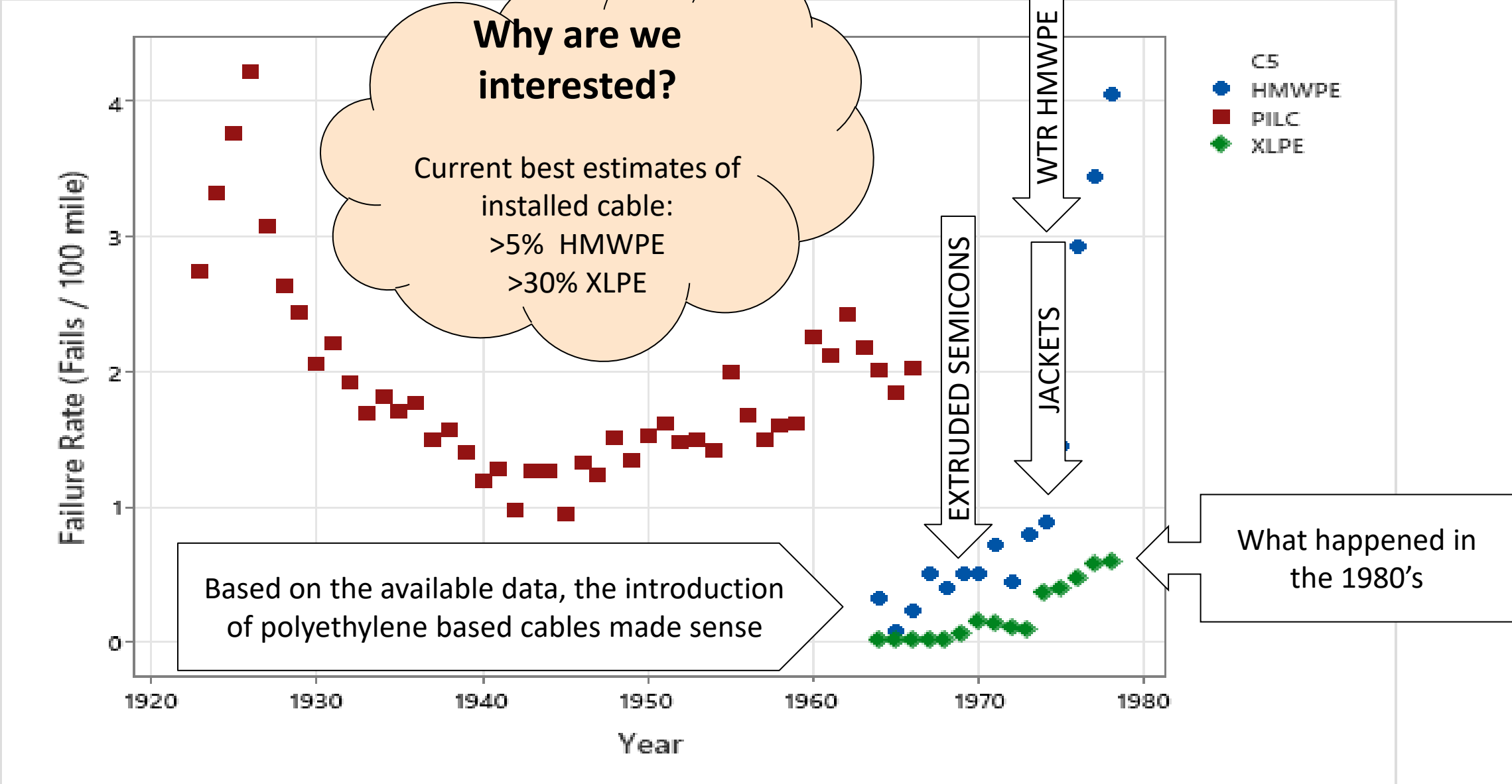
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Year	HIGH MOLECULAR WEIGHT POLYETHYLENE					CROSSLINKED POLYETHYLENE				
	Cumulative Cond. Miles	Annual Elec. Failures	Annual Rate	Cumulative Failures	Cumulative Rate	Cumulative Cond. Miles	Annual Elec. Failures	Annual Rate	Cumulative Failures	Cumulative Rate
1964	630.0	2	0.317	2	0.317	53.7	0	0.000	0	0.000
1965	1,281.6	1	0.078	3	0.234	156.9	0	0.000	0	0.000
1966	2,223.3	5	0.225	8	0.360	463.7	0	0.000	0	0.000
1967	3,373.1	17	0.504	25	0.741	1,342.7	0	0.000	0	0.000
1968	5,570.8	22	0.395	47	0.844	2,431.3	0	0.000	0	0.000
1969	8,259.8	42	0.508	89	1.078	4,128.2	2	0.048	2	0.048
1970	11,676.9	59	0.505	148	1.267	5,905.1	9	1.529	11	0.186
1971	16,340.5	117	0.716	265	1.622	8,137.4	11	0.135	22	0.270
1972	22,418.5	100	0.446	365	1.628	11,069.2	11	0.099	33	0.298
1973	28,916.4	230	0.795	595	2.058	15,491.7	14	0.090	47	0.303
1974	36,483.7	322	0.883	917	2.513	20,040.3	72	0.359	119	0.495
1975	40,141.2	582	1.450	1,499	3.734	23,941.6	93	0.388	212	0.885
1976	43,650.8	1,280	2.932	2,779	6.366	29,482.8	139	0.471	351	1.191
1977	47,043.7	1,622	3.448	4,401	9.355	35,857.4	206	0.574	557	1.533
1978	47,845.1	1,938	4.051	6,339	13.249	47,853.1	278	0.581	835	1.745

whose quantity of cable reflected about 20% of the total amount manufactured at that time.<sup>1</sup> Each year

# Lawson & Thue – AEIC Data





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1947 – 2000  
there is an Index for the Minutes

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After 2000, it is a real slog  
No Index for the Minutes

# AEIC Reporting – huge kudos to Al Kong

## 1986 AEIC CABLE REPORT

### HMWPE CABLE

CATEGORY			NUMBER FAILURES	TOTAL MILES	NUMBER UTILITIES	FAILURES PER 100 MILES
JACKETED	DUCT	< 40V/M	3	79	1	3.80
		> 40V/M	0	0	0	—
	DB	< 40V/M	0	0	0	—
		> 40V/M	0	0	0	—
				13,313	4	1.20
				3,772	2	2.80
				6,412	8	10.90
				5,391	4	17.40

## 1986 AEIC CABLE REPORT

### XLP CABLE

CATEGORY			NUMBER FAILURES	TOTAL MILES	NUMBER UTILITIES	FAILURES PER 100 MILES
JACKETED	DUCT	< 40V/M	21	22,927	7	0.10
		> 40V/M	15	8,985	12	0.20
	DB	< 40V/M	1	488	2	0.20
		> 40V/M	58	8,717	10	0.70
UNJACKETED	DUCT	< 40V/M	36	3,570	2	1.00
		> 40V/M	11	1,051	4	1.10
	DB	< 40V/M	35	2,561	3	1.40
		> 40V/M	835	21,712	12	3.90

# What do they mean?

## AEIC CABLE ENGINEERING SECTION QUESTIONNAIRE TASK GROUP 25-AEIC CABLE OPERATIONS REPORT

REPORTING UTILITY \_\_\_\_\_ BY \_\_\_\_\_ TEL NO. ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

A. CABLE INSULATION TYPE \_\_\_\_\_ (XLP, TRXLP, HMWPE OR EPR)

B. CABLE INSULATION THICKNESS \_\_\_\_\_ MILS

C. OPERATING VOLTAGE \_\_\_\_\_ KV (PHASE TO PHASE)

D. CABLE DATA:

INSTALLATION METHOD	CONDUCTOR FEET INSTALLED DURING 1986		CONDUCTOR FEET REMOVED OR ABANDONED DURING 1986		NUMBER OF ELECTRICAL FAILURES DURING 1986	
	JACKETED CABLE	UN-JACKETED CABLE	JACKETED CABLE	UN-JACKETED CABLE	JACKETED CABLE	UN-JACKETED CABLE
Cable in Duct	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Cable Pre-Installed in Conduit	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Cable Direct Buried	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

E. SERVICE LIFE OF CABLES THAT FAILED DURING 1986 (YRS.): \_\_\_\_\_ MIN., \_\_\_\_\_ MAX., \_\_\_\_\_ AVG.

COMMENTS:

NOTES:

1. USE SEPARATE SHEET FOR EACH INSULATION TYPE, INSULATION THICKNESS AND OPERATING VOLTAGE. Do not report data for cables rate below 5 kV (phase to phase). Do not include dig-ins, splice or termination failures.
2. Indicate if the cables have insulating or semi-conducting jackets.
5. If you have any questions, please contact Albert Kong (415) 973-1708 or Greg Mastoras (205) 250-4327.

Cable only

Please return the completed forms by August 3, 1987, to: Albert Kong  
Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
123 Mission Street, Room H1635  
San Francisco, California 94106

APPENDIX V-B-2

# Extracting Failure Rates

## 1986 AEIC CABLE REPORT

1.54  
**1.45 / 100 miles**  
 1.36

Confidence Range  
 on the  
 Failure Rate Estimate

XLP CABLE

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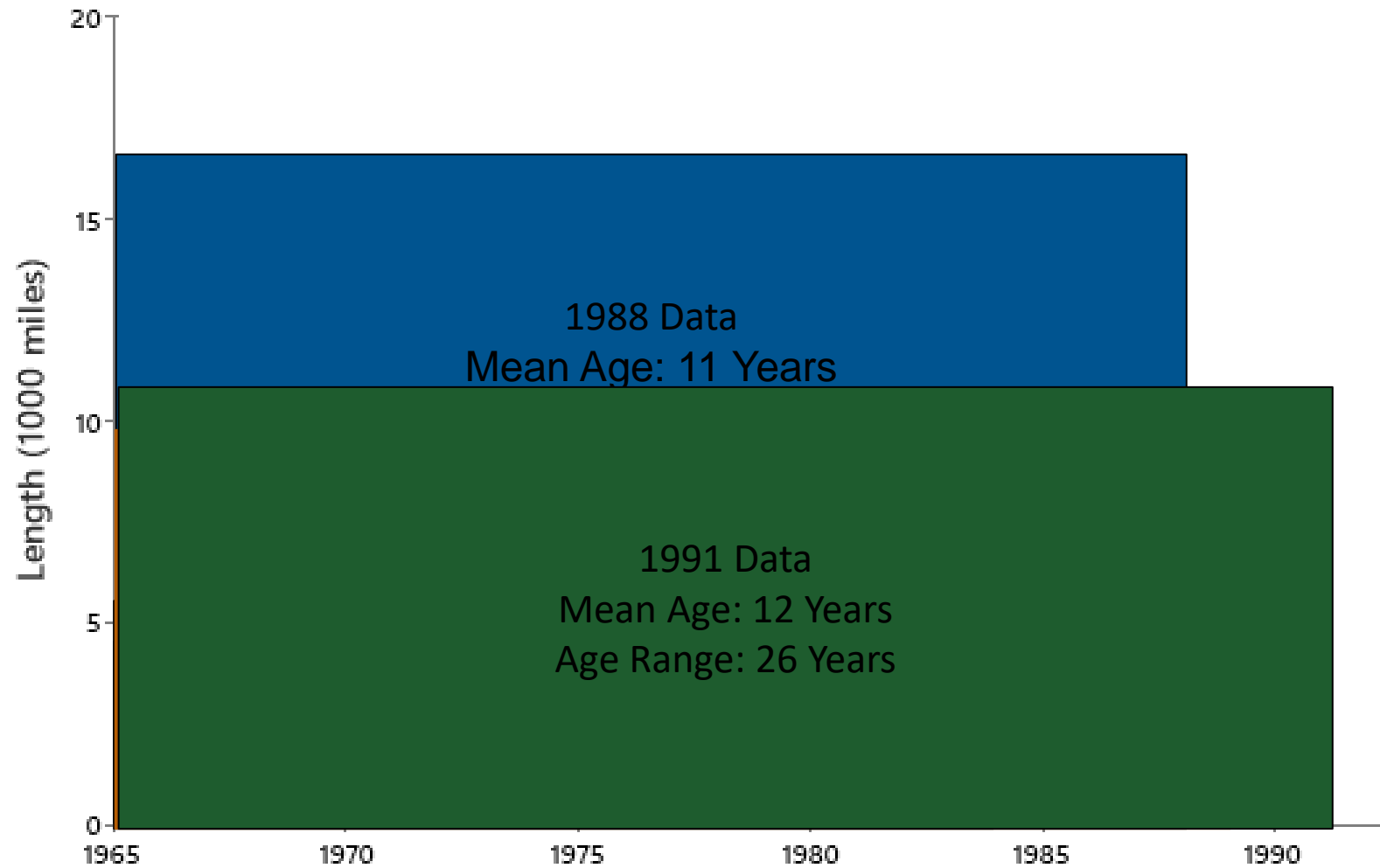
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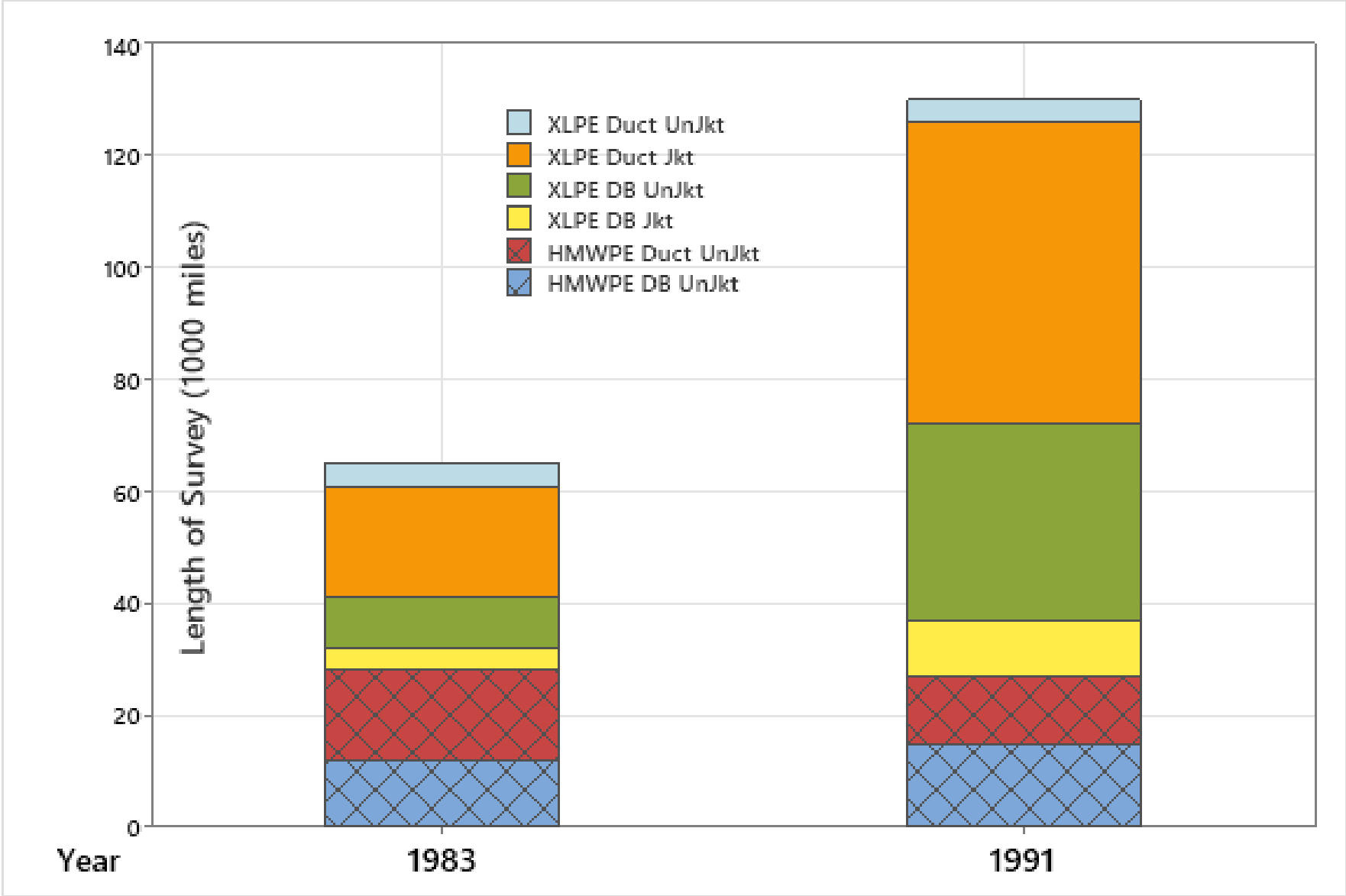
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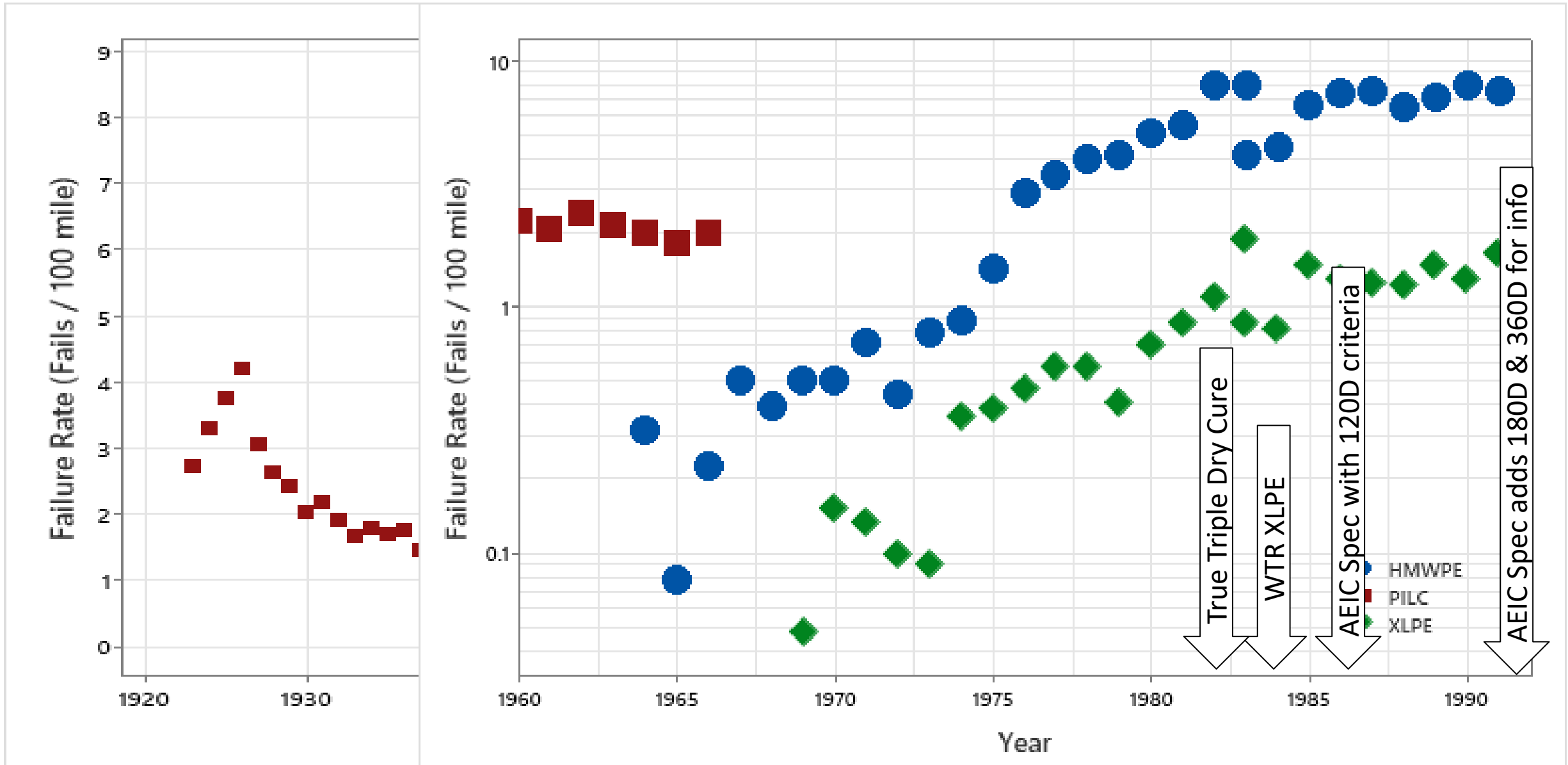
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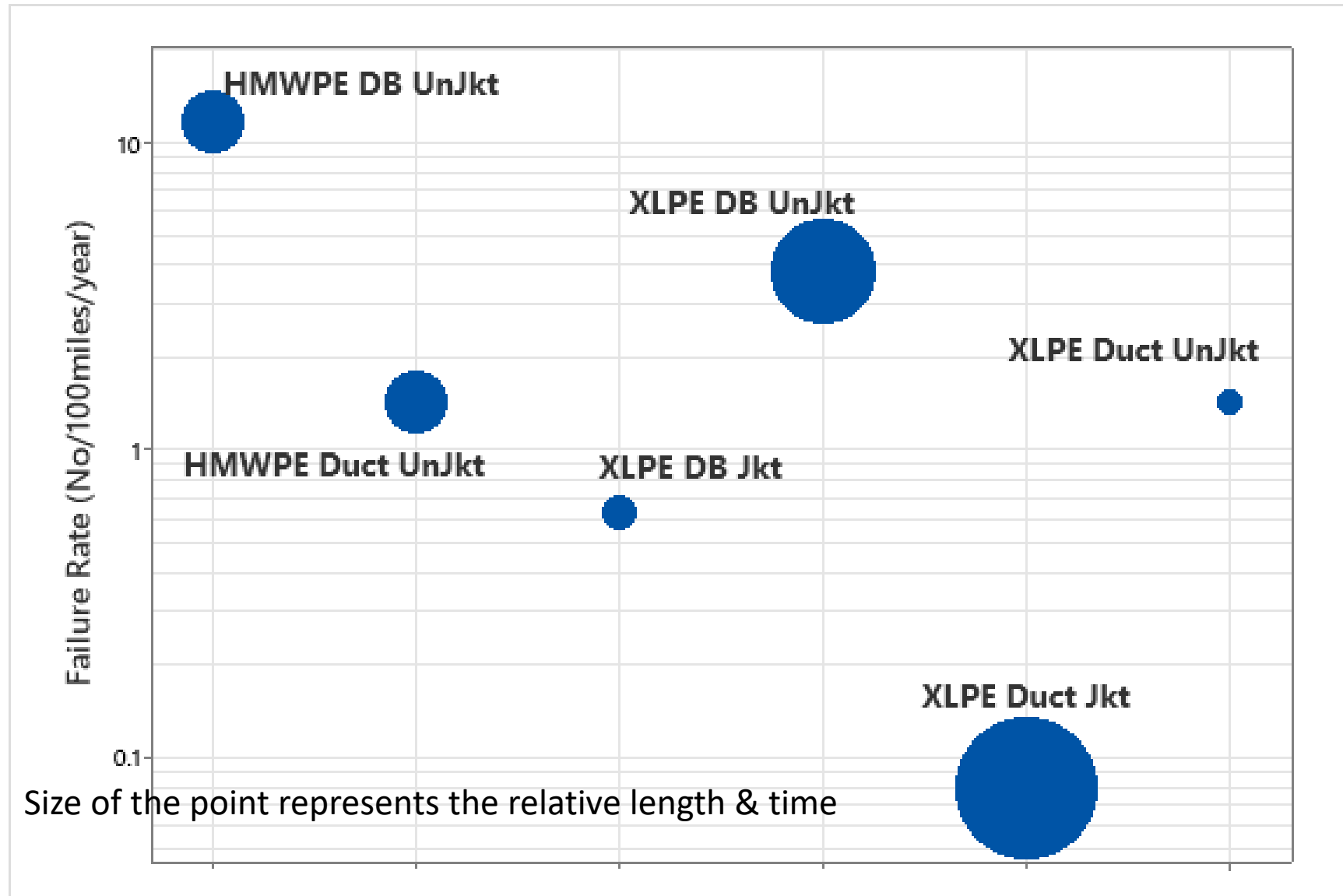
# Lengths and Time changes



# AEIC Data Added



# AEIC Industry Collated Data - segregated: 1983 to 1991





# Importance of Cable Mix for Utility Rates

XLPE Direct Buried Jacketed: 0.7

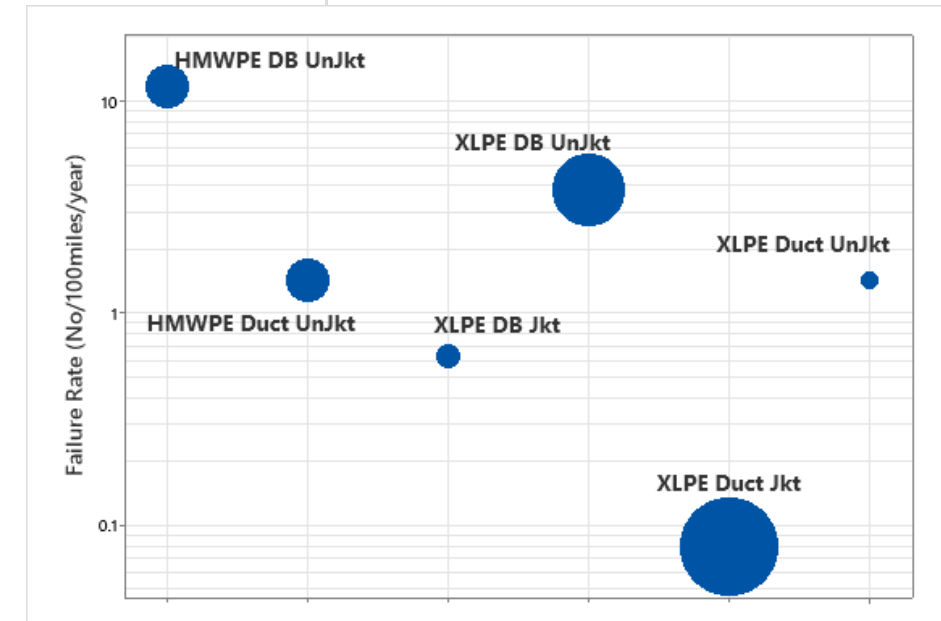
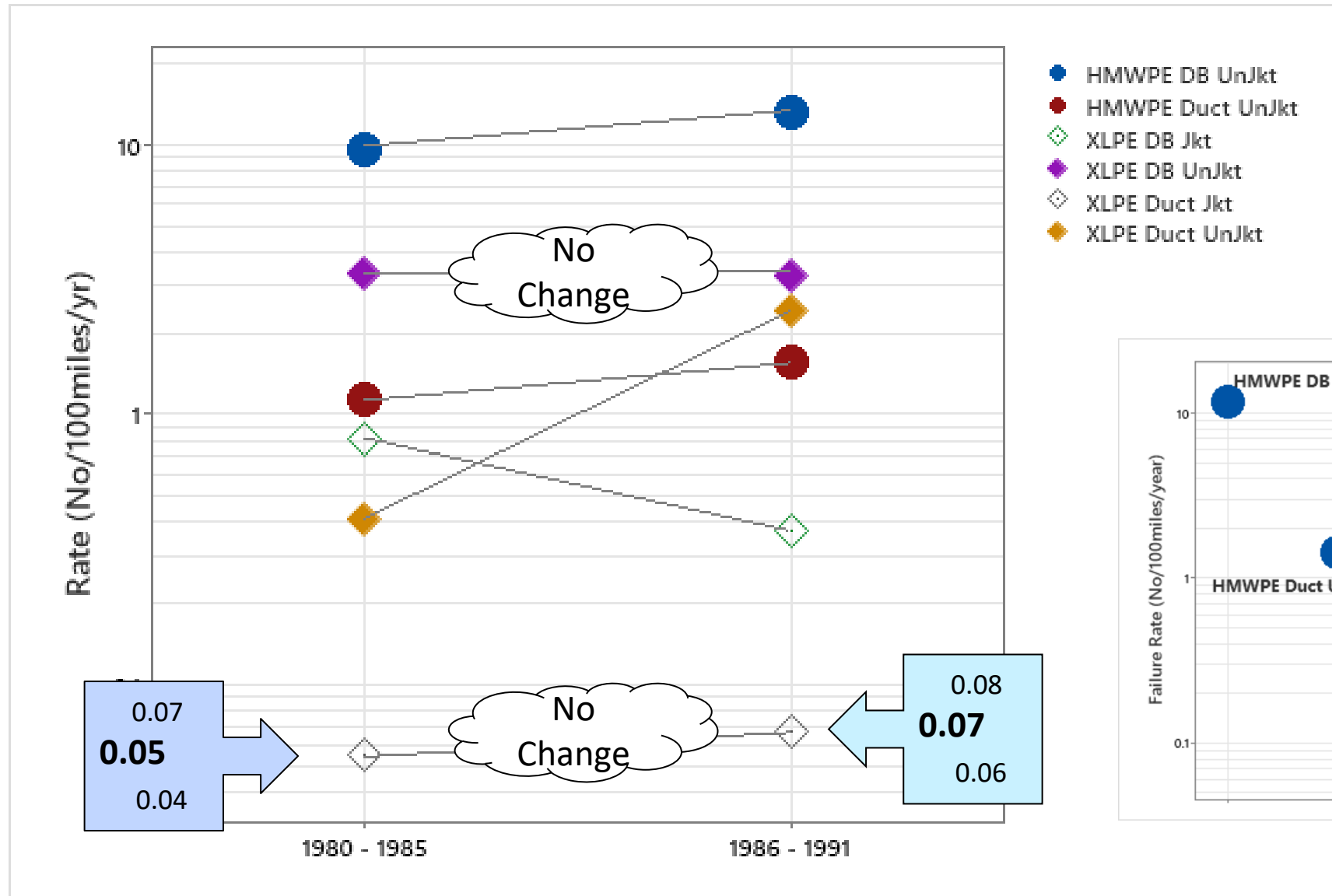
XLPE Direct Buried Un Jacketed: 4

XLPE Duct Jacketed: 0.08

XLPE Duct Un Jacketed: 1.5

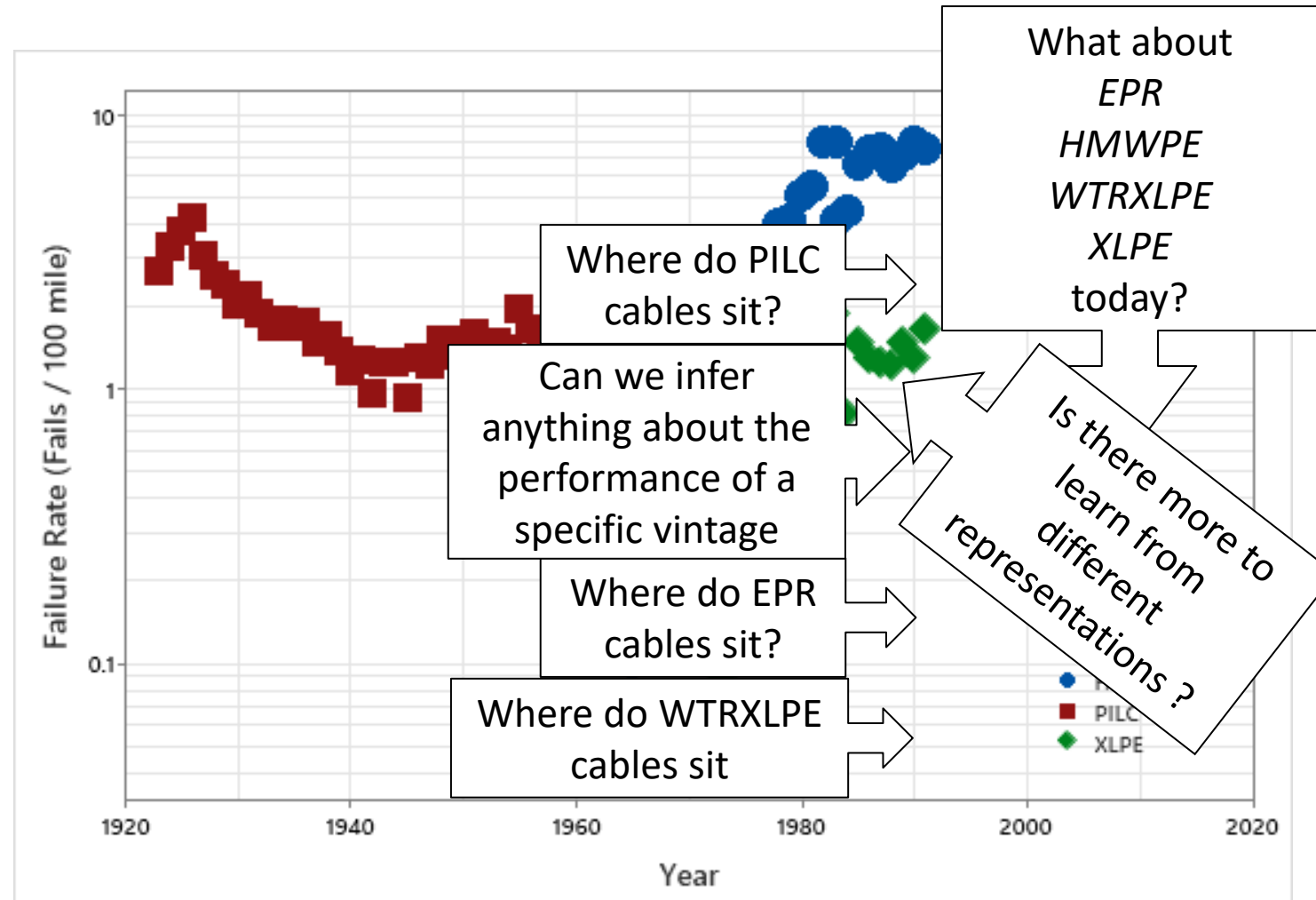
Failure Rate (#/100miles/yr)

# Changes with Time



# To Wrap Up

- We still operate and rely on legacy systems (>35%), datamining can help us with the understanding of what might happen when we operate them differently
- There is useful knowledge within the ICC Minutes – *findability is important*
- There are still questions



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