#### Tutorial

# Fault Tree Analysis

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# Session 1: Basic Concepts

# History

- % 1961 FTA Concept by H Watson, Bell Telephone Laboratories
- 8 1970 Vesely Kinetic Tree Theory
- VImportance measures Birnbaum, Esary, Proschan, Fussel, Vesely
- & Initiator/Enabler Theory Lambert and Dunglinson
- **FTA** on PCs with GUI's
- **X**Automatic Fault Tree Construction
- **Binary Decision Diagrams**

## Fault Tree Example



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# Voting Gates k/n



## **Exclusive OR Gate**



## House Events



## Transfer IN/OUT



## Inhibit Gate



# Pressure Tank Example



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## **Circuit Actions**







# Minimal Cut Sets

- & Cut sets
  - A list of failure events such that if they occur then so does the top event.
- **Minimal** Cut Sets
  - A list of minimal, necessary and sufficient conditions for the occurrence of the top event.

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# List of possible failure combinations

C. C	System State
A	F
В	F
С	W
D	W
AB	F
AC	F
AD	F
BC	F
BD	F
CD	F
ABC	F
ABD	F
ACD	F
BCD	F
ABCD	F

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A B

CD



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 $\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}.\mathbf{D}$ 

## Qualitative Fault Tree Analysis

Need to identify the min cut sets whose occurrence is most likely.

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& Minimal Cut Set expression for the top event.

$$\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{C}_1 + \mathbf{C}_2 + \mathbf{C}_3 + \cdots + \mathbf{C}_N$$

 $C_{I}, I = 1, \cdots, N$ 

e.g. T = A + BC + CD are the minimal cut sets

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1 first order

2 second order

# Laws of Boolean Algebra

• AND + OR

#### **Distributive** $(A + B) \cdot (C + D) = A.C + A.D + B.C + B.D$

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Idempotent

A + A = A $A \cdot A = A$ 

Absorption

 $A + A \cdot B = A$ 



## Bottom-up method



TOP =  $(B + C + A) \cdot (C + A \cdot B)$ = B · C + B · A · B + C · C + C · A · B + A · C + A · A · B

 $(A \cdot A = A)$ = B.C+A.B+C+C.A.B +A.C+A.B(A + A = A) $TOP = B \cdot C + A \cdot B + C + C \cdot A \cdot B + A \cdot C$  $(A + A \cdot B = A)$  $TOP = A \cdot B + C$ 

#### The tree could have been drawn:





# **Component Performance Characteristics**

Typical History of a Repairable Component



#### Downtime Depends on

- Failure detection time
- Availability of Maintenance team
  - REPAIR TIME

#### { OBTAIN REPLACEMENT INSTALLATION

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- System Test Time
- Performance indicators
  - Rate at which failures occur
    - Measure of expected up-time

## The Failure Process



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For useful life period Unreliability (Density Function) Reliability

 $F(T) = 1 - E^{-\lambda T}$   $F(T) = \lambda E^{-\lambda T}$  R(T) = 1 - F(T)  $= E^{-\lambda T}$   $= \frac{1}{\lambda}$ 

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Mean Time to Failure
λ (T) = Conditional failure rate (hazard rate)
Probability that a component fails in
(t, t + dt) given that it was working at t

## Maintenance Policies

1. No Repair

Q(T) - UNAVAILABILITY F(T) - UNRELIABILITY F(T) =  $I - E^{-\lambda T}$ Q(T) = F(T)



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## **Repairable Components**

#### Failure/Repair Process



1. Only one transition can occur in a small period of time  $\Delta t$ .

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- 2. Change between states is instantaneous.
- 3. Following repair components are as good as new.

#### 2. Revealed Failures - unscheduled maintenance

- $\lambda$  FAILURE RATE
- v REPAIR RATE
- $\mu$  MEAN TIME TO FA
- τ MEAN TIME TO RE

Q(**J** - UNAVAILABILITY Q(**T**) =  $\frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \nu} (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{E}^{-(\lambda + \nu)\mathbf{T}})$ AT STEADY STOPE  $\frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \nu} = \frac{\tau}{\mu + \tau} \approx \lambda \tau$ 

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#### 3. Unrevealed or Dormant Failures - Scheduled Maintenance

#### **θ** - TIME BETWEEN INSPECTIONS



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#### (for revealed failures

#### Mean time to restore



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## **Top Event Probability**



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= 0.199


The minimal cut sets of the fault tree are:

A B C B D T = A + BC + BD  $Q_{S}(D = P(T) = P(A + BC + BD)$ 

Using three terms of the inclusion-exclusion expansion gives:



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**Convergence of Inclusion-Exclusion Expansion** 

$$\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{T}) = \sum_{\mathbf{I}=1}^{\mathbf{N}_{c}} \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{I}}) - \sum_{\mathbf{I}=2}^{\mathbf{N}_{c}} \sum_{\mathbf{J}=1}^{\mathbf{I}-1} \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{I}} \cap \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{J}}) + \cdots (-1)^{\mathbf{N}_{c}-1} \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{I}} \cap \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{2}} \cap \cdots \cap \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{N}_{c}})$$

$$Q_{\text{RARE EVENT}} \sum_{I=1}^{N_c} P(C_I)$$

$$Q_{\text{LOWER}} \sum_{I=1}^{N_c} P(C_I) - \sum_{I=2}^{N_c} \sum_{J=1}^{I-1} P(C_I \cap C_J)$$

$$N_c - \text{NO OF MIN CUT SETS}$$

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 $Q_{EXACT} = 0.117]$   $Q_{RARE EVENT} 0.12$   $Q_{LOWER} = 0.117$ 

Minimal Cut Set Upper Bound

$$Q_{MCSU} = 1 - \prod_{I=1}^{N_c} (I - P(C_I))$$
  
= 1 - (I - 0.1) (I - 0.01) (I - 0.01)  
= 0.11791

Q<sub>LOWER</sub> Q<sub>EXACF</sub> Q<sub>MCSU</sub> ≤ Q<sub>RARE EVE</sub>

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## Pump System Example

### **Component probabilities**

Relay K1 contacts	K1	$1 \times 10^{-4}$
Relay K2 contacts	K2	$1 \times 10^{-4}$
Pressure switch	PRS	$5 \times 10^{-4}$
Timer relay	TIM	$3 \times 10^{-4}$
Switch	<b>S</b> 1	$5 \times 10^{-3}$

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Minimal C	ut Sets
K2	$1 \times 10^{-4}$
PRS S1	$2.5 \times 10^{-6}$
PRS K1	$5.0 \times 10^{-8}$
PRS TIM	$1.5 \times 10^{-7}$

#### **Top Event Probability**

Rare Event  $Q_{SYS} = \sum_{I=1}^{N_c} Q_{C_1}$   $= 1.027 \times 10^{-4}$ 

#### **Minimal Cut Set Upper Bound**

$$Q_{SYS} = 1 - \prod_{I=1}^{N_c} (1 - Q_{C_1})$$
  
= 1.027×10<sup>-4</sup>

Exact

 $Q_{SYS} = 1.026987 \times 10^{-4}$ 

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### **Importance** Measures

### & Critical System State

For component i is a state of the remaining (n - 1) components such that the failure of component i causes the system to go from a working to a failed state.

Simbaums Measure ( $I_B$ ) The probability that the system is in a critical state for the component.  $I_{B_I} = \frac{\partial Q_{SYS}}{\partial Q_I}$ 

- **I**<sub>B</sub>, Birnbaum importance measure for component i
- **Q**<sub>sys</sub> System unavailability
  - Component unavailability

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$$Q_{SYS} = P(AB + AC)$$

$$= Q_A Q_B + Q_A Q_C - Q_A Q_B Q_C = 0.019$$

$$I_{B_A} = \frac{\partial Q_{SYS}}{\partial Q_A} = Q_B + Q_C - Q_B Q_C = 0.19$$

$$I_{B_B} = \frac{\partial Q_{SYS}}{\partial Q_B} = Q_A (1 - Q_C) = 0.09$$

$$I_{B_C} = \frac{\partial Q_{SYS}}{\partial Q_C} = Q_A (1 - Q_B) = 0.09$$

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## Fussell-Vesely Measure (I<sub>FV</sub>)

Probability of the union of all Minimal Cut Sets containing the component given that the system has failed.



### Minimal Cut Sets

AB AC

$$I_{FV_{A}} = \frac{P(AB + BC)}{Q_{SYS}} = \frac{Q_{SYS}}{Q_{SYS}} = 1.0$$

$$I_{FV_{B}} = \frac{P(AB)}{Q_{SYS}} = \frac{Q_{A}Q_{B}}{Q_{SYS}} = \frac{0.01}{0.019} = 0.526$$

$$I_{FV_{C}} = \frac{P(AC)}{Q_{SYS}} = \frac{Q_{A}Q_{C}}{Q_{SYS}} = \frac{0.01}{0.019} = 0.526$$

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## Pump System Example

### **Importance Measures**

	Fussell Vesely	Birnbaum
K2	0.974	0.9999
PRS	0.026	5.397 × 10 <sup>-3</sup>
S1	0.024	$4.9975 \times 10^{-4}$
TIM	0.0015	$4.974 \times 10^{-4}$
K1	0.0005	$4.973 \times 10^{-4}$

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# Session 2: Advanced Features

## **Minimal Cut Set Failure Frequency**

 $W_{C_{\kappa}}(\mathbf{J}) - \text{UNCONDITIONAL FAILURE}$ OF CUT SET K N - COMPONENTS IN MIN CUT $W_{C_{\kappa}}(\mathbf{J}) = \sum_{I=1}^{N} W_{I}(\mathbf{J}) \quad (\prod_{J=1}^{N} Q_{J}(\mathbf{J}))$ 

Example Min Cut Set 1 = ABC

 $\mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{C}_{1}} = \mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{B}} \mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{C}} + \mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{B}} \mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{C}} + \mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{C}} \mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{B}}$ 

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#### w(t) - unconditional failure intensity

The probability that a component fails in (t, t + dt)  $W(T) = \lambda (T)[1 - Q(T)]$ 

### Expected Number of Failures W(0, t) W (0, T) = $\int_{0}^{T} W(U)DU$

### **Top Event Failure Frequency**

(upper bound approximation)

$$W_{SYS} = \sum_{I=1}^{N_c} W_{C_I} (I - \prod_{J=1}^{N_c} (I - Q_{CJ}))$$

$$J \neq I$$

N<sub>C</sub> – NO OF MIN CUT SETS

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## Initiator/Enabler Theory



#### **Component Data**



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$$\mathbf{Q} = \frac{\lambda \tau}{\lambda \tau + \mathbf{I}}$$
  
\*  $\mathbf{Q} = \lambda (\tau + \frac{\theta}{2})$ 



**Conventional Approach**  $W_{S}(1) = W_{C_{1}}(1)$  $= \sum_{J=1}^{4} W_{J}(J) \prod_{I=1}^{4} Q_{I}(J)$ I≠.J  $= W_A Q_B Q_C Q_D + W_B Q_A Q_C Q_D + W_C Q_A Q_B Q_D$ + W<sub>D</sub>Q<sub>A</sub>Q<sub>B</sub>Q<sub>C</sub>  $= 5.0075 \times 10^{-6} + 2.5037 \times 10^{-5}$  $+2.5037 \times 10^{-5} + 2.5037 \times 10^{-5}$  $= 8.012 \times 10^{-5}$ 

Expected number of failures over 10 years  $W(0,87600) = \int_{0}^{87600} 8.012 \times 10^{-5} D'_{10}$ = 7.02

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### **The Window for Initiating Events**



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#### **Initiating Events**

Initiating events perturb system variables and place a demand on control/protection Systems to respond.

#### **Enabling Events**

Enabling events are inactive control/ Protection systems which permit initiating Events to cause the top event.

### **Using initiator/enabler theory**

$$W_{S}(1) = W_{C_{1}}(1)$$
  
=  $W_{A} Q_{B} Q_{C} Q_{D}$   
= 5.0075×10<sup>-4</sup>

#### **Expected Number of Failures over 10 years**

$$W (0,87600) = \int_{0}^{87600} 5.0075 \times 10^{-6} \text{D'}$$
$$= 0.4387$$

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## Not Logic

#### **Noncoherent Fault Trees**

Barlow - "A physical system would be quite unusual (or poorly designed) if improving the performance of a component (ie by replacing a failed component by a functioning component) causes the system to deteriorate (ie change from a functioning to a failed state)"

#### Example

 $Min Cut Set AB\overline{C}$ 

Is not a coherent structure as

AB C	$\rightarrow$	SYSTEM	I FAILS
ABC	$\rightarrow$	SYSTEM	<b>I WORKS</b>

#### **Coherent structure consist of only:**

AND gatesOR gates

#### **Noncoherent Structures**

Are those which do not conform to the definition of a coherent structure This occurs if the NOT operator is used or implied eg XOR

### Laws of Boolean Algebra - Not Logic

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 $A + \overline{A} = 1$  $A \cdot \overline{A} = 0$ 

**De Morgan's Laws** 

 $\overline{(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})} = \overline{\mathbf{A}} \cdot \overline{\mathbf{B}}$  $\overline{(\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B})} = \overline{\mathbf{A}} + \overline{\mathbf{B}}$ 

### **Road Junction Example**





**Implicant Set** is a combination of basic events (success or failure) which produces the top event.

**Prime Implicant Set** is a combination of basic events (success of failure) which is both necessary and sufficient to cause the top event.

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 $TOP = A \overline{C} + \overline{A} B$ 

What about  $\overline{\mathbf{C}}\mathbf{B}$ 

it is a prime implicant

Conventional approaches to fault tree reduction do not deliver all prime implicants for every non-coherent tree

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SO: **TOP** =  $A \overline{C} + \overline{A} B + \overline{C} B$ 

Coherent approximation TOP = A + B

OK if

 $P(\overline{C}) \approx 1$ 



#### System Functions - on detecting gas

- a) to alert the operator via a lamp
- b) to alert the operator via a siren
- c) to isolate electrical ignition sources

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#### System Outcomes

	SIREN	LAMP	ISOLATION	SYSTEM
	W	w	W	?
	W	W	F	
6	W	F	W	
	W	F	Fillen	
5 <b>1</b> 1 1	F	W	W	
5	F	W	F	
1	F	F	W	
3	F	F	F	

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#### TOP = $(\overline{S} \overline{LU} (\overline{D} \overline{1} + \overline{D} \overline{2})).(\overline{L} \overline{LU} (\overline{D} \overline{1} + \overline{D} \overline{2})).(R + LU + D 1.D 2)$ = $\overline{S} \overline{L} \overline{LU} (\overline{D} \overline{1} + \overline{D} \overline{2}).(R + LU + D 1.D 2)$ = $\overline{S} \overline{L} \overline{LU} (\overline{D} \overline{1} + \overline{D} \overline{2}).R$

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#### **Coherent Approximation**

TOP = R

# Session 3: Current Research

# Problem areas in conventional Fault Tree Analysis

### **& Qualitative Analysis**

For very large fault trees it may not be possible to produce a complete list of minimal cut sets.

#### Solution

Evaluate only those minimal cut sets which have the most significant contribution to system failure

- Order culling
- Probability or Frequency culling
#### & Quantitative Analysis

- Requires minimal cut sets
- Calculations are too computer intensive to perform fully

#### Solution

- Use most significant minimal cut sets
- Use approximate calculation techniques.

#### **Binary Decision Diagrams**

### BDD's

- 1 Developed over last 5 years.
- 2 Fault Tree Good representation of engineering failure logic
  - Poor efficiency/accuracy in mathematical calculations
  - BDD Poor representation of engineering failure logic
  - Good efficiency/accuracy in mathematical calculations.
- 3 Trade-off for improved efficiency/accuracy is conversion between  $FT \rightarrow BDD$ .
- 4 Minimal cut sets not required to perform quantification.

#### **B.D.D. Structure**



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#### Fault Tree -> B.D.D

- 1. Initially requires basic events in the fault tree to be placed in an ordering.
- 2. Most common method If-Then-Else Structure
  - \* ITE(X1, f1, f2) means if X1 fails then consider f1 else consider f2



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### Simple Conversion - ite method

Rules: G = ite (x, g1, g2), H = ite (y, h1, h2)  $G^*H=$   $if (x < y) => ite (x, g1^*H, g2^*H)$  $if (x = y) => ite (x, g1^*h1, g2^*h2)$ 

> if \* = AND => 1 \* G = G, 0 \* G = 0if \* = OR => 1 \* G = 1, 0 \* G = G

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### Simple Conversion cont...

A < B < COrder G1 = A + B = ite(A, 1, 0) + ite(B, 1, 0)= ite(A, 1+ite(B, 1, 0), 0+ite(B, 1, 0)) = ite(A, 1, ite(B, 1, 0)) TOP = G1.C = ite(A, 1, ite(B, 1, 0)).ite(C, 1, 0) = ite(A, 1.ite(C, 1, 0), ite(B, 1, 0).ite(C, 1, 0)) = ite(A, ite(C, 1, 0), ite(B, 1.ite(C, 1, 0), 0.ite(C, 1, 0)))= ite(A, ite(C, 1, 0), ite(B, ite(C, 1, 0), 0))  $\left\{ \right\}$ Root Vertex 1 branch 0 branch

## **Resulting Diagram**



### **Top Event Probability from B.D.D**

=> Probability of the sum of disjoint paths through the bdd.

**Disjoint Path** - included in a path are the basic events that lie on a 0 branch on the way to a terminal 1 vertex.

Basic Events lying on a 0 branch are denoted as Xi, ie. 'Not' Xi



#### **Disadvantages of BDD**

- FTA  $\rightarrow$  BDD conversion
- Poor ordering can give poor efficiency

#### **Advantage of BDD**

- improved efficiency
- improved accuracy

# **Result of Different Ordering Permutations**



#### **Result of Ordering :** X1 < X2 < X3 < X4



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#### Result of Ordering : X4 < X3 < X2 < X1





#### **Training Methods**

- Classifier System
- Neural Networks

#### Direct evaluation of Fault Tree Structure

## Safety System Design Considerations

Redundancy and diversity levels
Component selection
Time interval between testing the system

\*Choice of design not unrestricted

## System Analysis

- **Fault Trees** represent and quantify the system unavailability of each potential design
- House events used to construct a single fault tree representing the failure mode of EACH design



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## System Analysis, contd.

#### Binary Decision Diagrams improve efficiency of system analysis BDD

- Connecting branches
- Non-terminal vertices
  - correspond to basic events
- Terminal vertices
  - 0, i.e. system works
  - 1, i.e. system fails





### The Optimisation Problem

- System performance CANNOT be expressed as an explicit objective function
- \* Most design variables are integer or Boolean
- Constraints are of both implicit and explicit type

# High Integrity Protection System

	Sub-system 1 Su		b-system 2	
Master W	ving ESDV1	ESDV2	HIPS1 HIPS2	
<b>Designer Options</b>				
Designe	er Options		Variable	
Designe ↔No. ES	<b>er Options</b> D valves (0,1,2)?	,	E Variable	
Designe ↔No. ES v No. HI	er Options D valves (0,1,2)? PS valves (0,1,2)	?	E H	
Designe ↔No. ES v No. HI v No. PT	er Options D valves (0,1,2)? PS valves (0,1,2) ''s each subsyster	? n (0 to 4)?	Variable E H N <sub>1</sub> , N <sub>2</sub>	
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Designe	er Options D valves (0,1,2)? PS valves (0,1,2) ''s each subsyster ''s to trip? f valve? f PT?	? n (0 to 4)?	$\frac{Variable}{E}$ $H$ $N_1, N_2$ $K_1, K_2$ $V_1, V_2$ $P_1, P_2$	

### Limitations on Design

Cost < 1000 units</li>
Maintenance Dwn Time (MDT) < 130 hours</li>
Spurious trip occurrences < 1 per year</li>

## Genetic Algorithms

#### Structure of the GA Set up initial population



Loop

- Evaluate **fitness** of each string
- **Selection** biased roulette wheel
- Crossover/Mutation on selected offspring

\*One iteration of each loop

= generation





# Initialising a System Design



## **Evaluating Design Fitness**

The fitness of each string comprises of four parts;

- Probability of system unavailability
- v Penalty due to excess cost
- v Penalty due to excess MDT
- v Penalty due to excess spurious trip frequency

As a sole fitness value;

$$Q'_{SYS} = Q_{SYS} + CP + MDTP + STFP$$

= penalised probability of system unavailability

\*

# Best Design's Characteristics

				<u>Subsys 1 &amp; 2</u>	
•	No. ESD/	HIPS valves	0	2	2
V	No. PT's		3	3	1
V	No. PT's	to trip system	2	2	
V	M.T.I.		23	57	
	v v	<ul> <li>MDT Cost Spurious trip</li> </ul>	12 84 0.4	3 hours 2 units 455	
		<u>System</u> Unavailabilit	<u>0.(</u>	<u>0011</u>	

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## Diagram of The Deluge System



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# Design Variables of Deluge System

- ✤ No. of electric pumps firewater system (1 to 4) type E1 to E5
- v No. of electric pumps AFFF system (1,2) type E6, E7
- v No. of diesel pumps firewater system (1 to 4) type D1 to D5
- v No. of diesel pumps AFFF system (1,2) type 6, D7
- v No. of pressure sensors firewater ringmain (1 to 4)
- v No. of sensors to trip
- v Type of pressure sensor
- v Type of water deluge valve
- v Type of afff deluge valve
- v Type of pipework
- v Maintenance interval for pump tests
- v Maintenance interval for pump and ringmain tests
- v Maintenance interval for full tests

## Deluge system

- Fault tree in excess of 450 gates and 420 basic events
- \* Fault tree converted to 17 BDD's
- In excess of 4400000000 design variations!!