

Basic Process Control System (BPCS) Reliability in Risk Analysis



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Lecture Content

Why?

Accidents
Safety Layers
SIS vs. BPCS
Process Safety Time

How?

Reliability modeling
HAZOP vs. LOPA
BPCS reliability assumptions
Case studies results

- 2oo3/Moo3 voting
- 2oo2/1oo2 voting

Accidents Happened (<2000)

Flixborough, UK, 1974

- major explosion and subsequent fire
- 28 fatalities
- over 100 injured

Seveso, Italy, 1976

- release of chemical cloud containing dioxin
- 600 persons evacuated
- 2000 persons treated

Bhopal, India, 1984

- release of toxic cloud
- over 2500 fatalities
- over 100.000 persons affected

Accidents Still Happen (>2000)

AZF (Azote de France) fertilizer factory (Sept 2001)

- Explosion of ammonium nitrate
- 31 death
- Total loss of plant

BP Texas City Refinery (March 2005)

- Explosions and fire in isomerization unit
- 15 death
- 170 injured

BP Deepwater Horizon (April 2010)

- Explosion and well blowout with fire
- 11 death
- Total loss of platform
- Largest ever oil spill in American waters

Accident Causes

Human error

- ◆ Design
- ◆ Operation
- ◆ Maintenance

Failure of

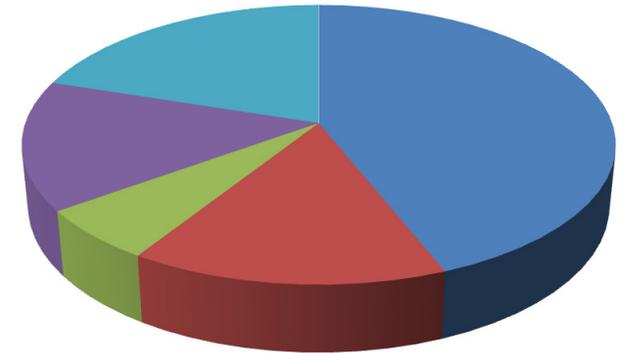
- ◆ Utility system
 - power supply, instrument air, cooling water, steam
- ◆ Mechanical equipment
 - pump, compressor, reactor mixer, heat exchanger tube rupture
- ◆ Piping and auxiliaries
 - corrosion, blockage, check valve or manual valve failure
- ◆ Instrumentation & Control system
 - sensors, control loops, alarms, system hardware or software

Combination of factors, in most of the cases

Safety System Failure Analysis

Health and Safety Executive (U.K.)

- ◆ Analysis of 34 accidents
 - resulted from control or safety system failure
- ◆ Causes grouped by phase
- ◆ Major contribution: Specifications
 - Incorrect or incomplete

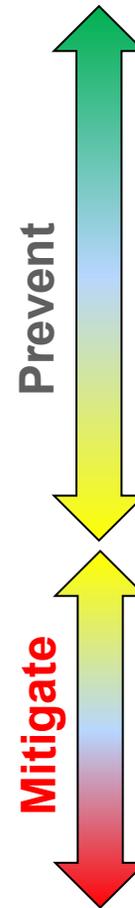


Specifications

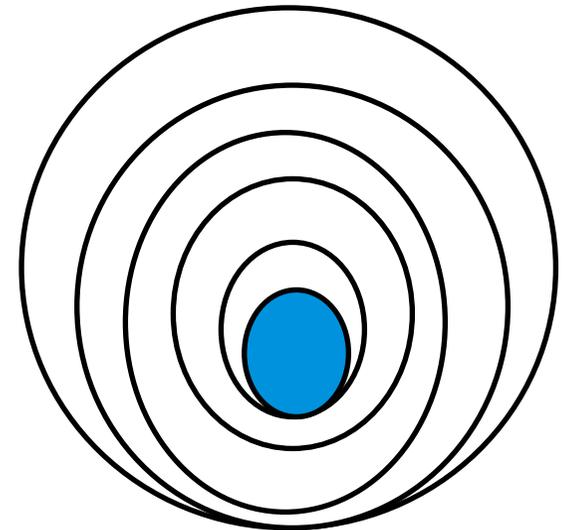
- ◆ Functional specification (i.e., what the system should do) SIF
- ◆ Integrity specification (i.e., how well should do it) SIL

Safety Layers

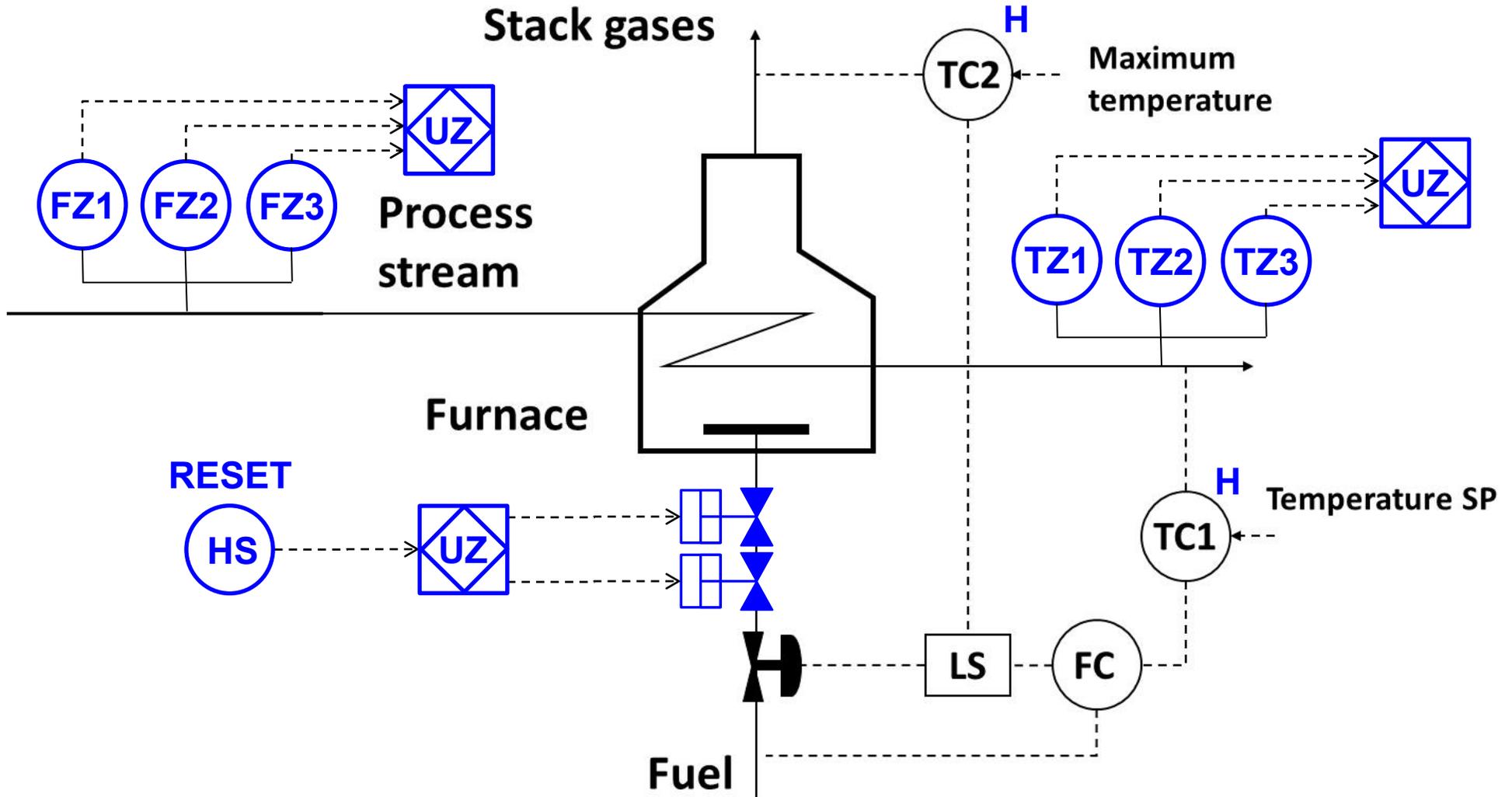
- ◆ Process Design (core)
- ◆ Process Control **BPCS**
- ◆ Protective Process Control
- ◆ Alarm System
- ◆ Safety Instrumented System (SIS)
- ◆ HIPPS
- ◆ Mechanical protection
- ◆ Fire & Gas System (FGS)
- ◆ Bunds, dikes, walls
- ◆ Plant and emergency response
- ◆ Community emergency response



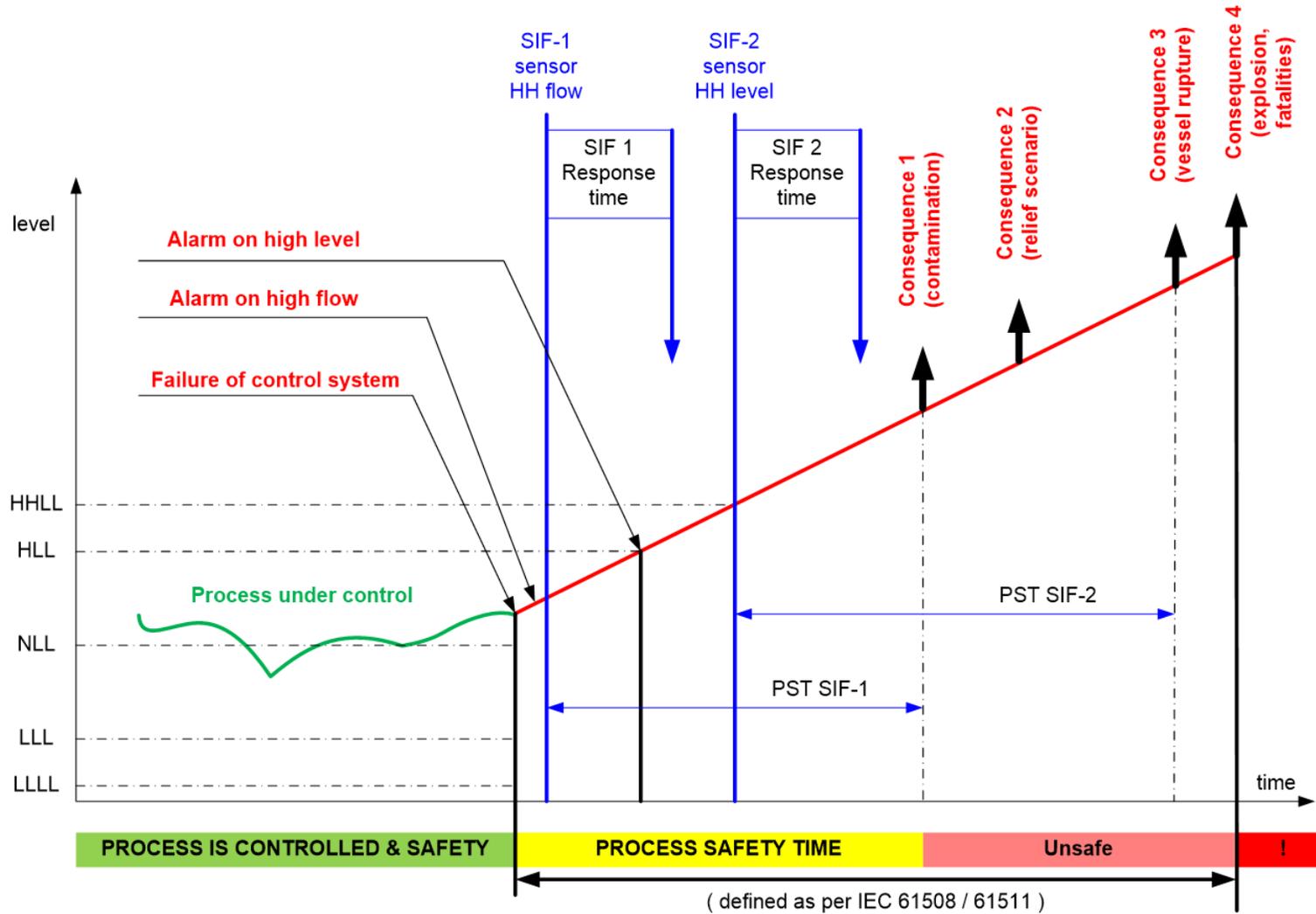
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Safety Layers - Example

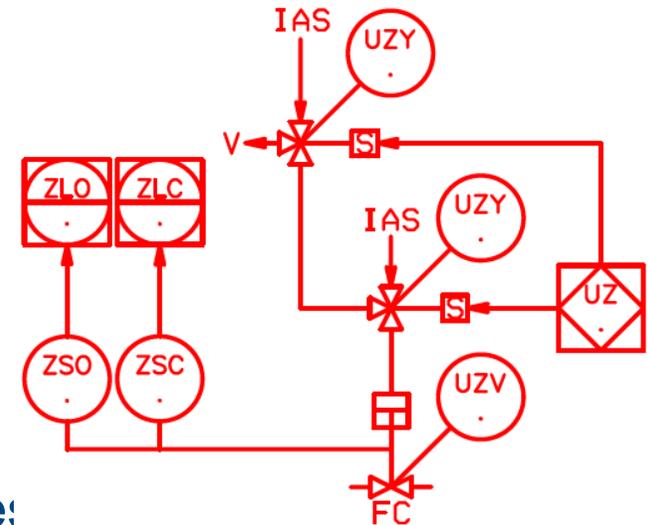


Process Safety Time



Redundancy

- ◆ Why multiple instruments?
 - Apparently not needed
 - Single instrument is sufficient
- ◆ Increased reliability (1oo2)
 - Two shut-off valves in series
 - One valve fails
 - The other will stop the flow
- ◆ Increased availability (2oo2)
 - Two solenoid valves
 - One solenoid fails
 - The other will supply IA
 - UZV remains open, no disturbance to process



Reliability Modeling

◆ Example 1

- Failure rate, $\lambda=500$ FIT
- Availability after 10 years

$$A_{(t)} = A_0 \cdot e^{-\lambda t} \quad A_{(10y)} = 95.7\%$$

◆ Example 2

- 2 devices, $\lambda_A = \lambda_B$
- 1oo2 voting
- 2oo2 voting

$$U_{(1oo2,t)} = U_{A(t)} \cdot U_{B(t)} \quad A_{(1oo2,10y)} = 99.8\%$$

$$A_{(2oo2,t)} = A_{A(t)} \cdot A_{B(t)} \quad A_{(2oo2,10y)} = 91.6\%$$

◆ Example 3

- MooN voting
- HFT can fail
- HFT=N-M

$$P(MooN) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-M} \frac{N!}{k! * (N-k)!} A^k (1-A)^{N-k}$$

Availability

◆ Availability due to failure & repair

- Mean Time Between Failures (MTBF)
- Mean Time of Repair (MTR)
- Mean Time To Restore (MTTR)
 - Repair
 - Testing
 - Installing
 - Restarting process

$$MTBF = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

$$Availability(\%) = \frac{MTBF \cdot 100\%}{MTBF + MTTR}$$

◆ Spurious trips

- Failure in safe position
- Requires process restart
- Mean Time To Fail Spurious (MTTFS)

◆ Safety system failures:

Safe	Detected
Dangerous	Undetected

HAZOP Features

- ◆ Qualitative technique
- ◆ Identifies both safety and operability problems
- ◆ Assume no problems if process is operated as intended
 - Process controlled within design limits

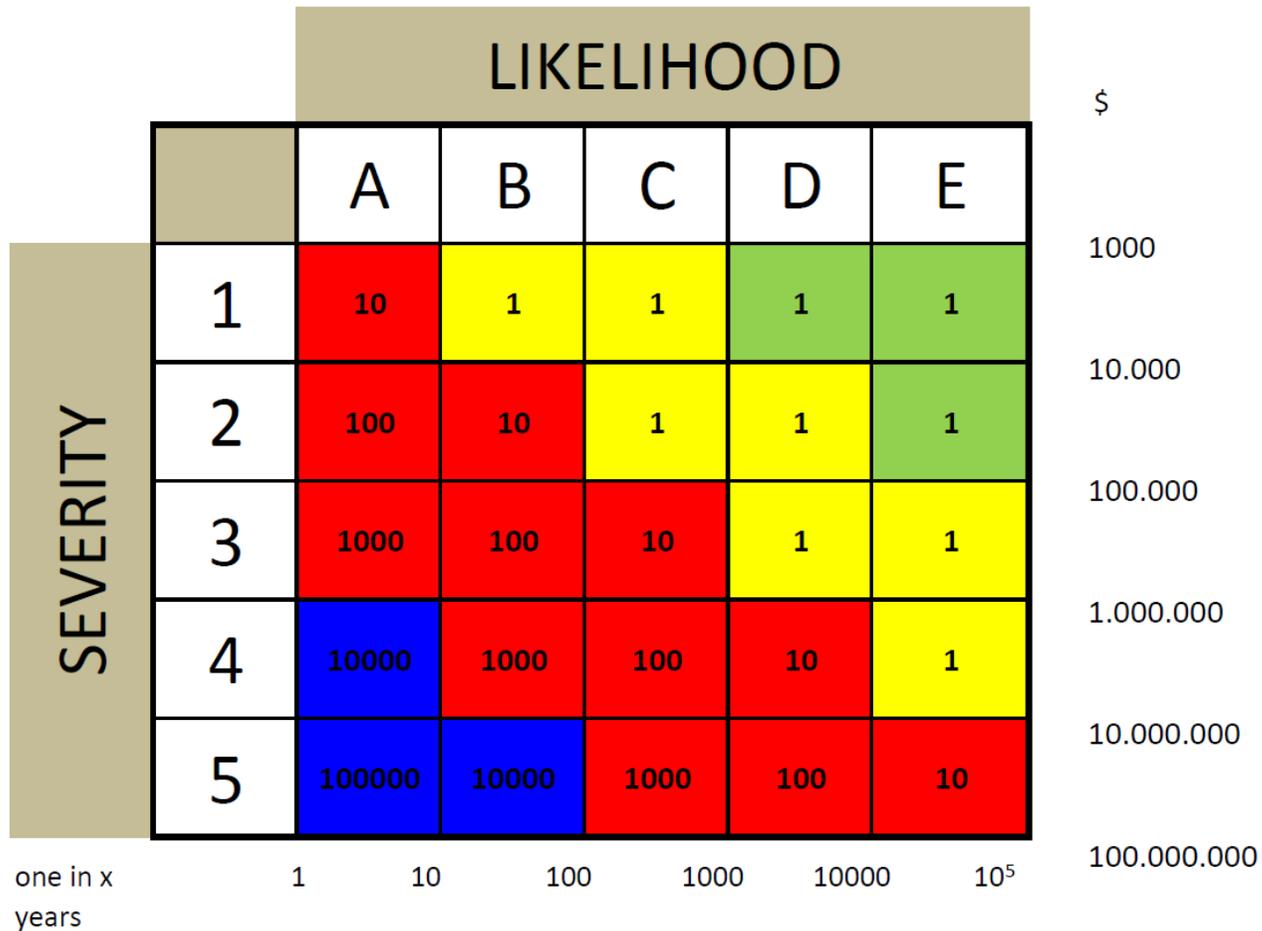
- ◆ BPCS is frequently the cause
- ◆ BPCS can be listed as safeguard
- ◆ BPCS alarms are frequently safeguards or recommended

Risk tolerability

- ◆ Risk of fatality from a car accident in US is about one in 800 years
- ◆ Most companies accept as tolerable risk 1 fatality in 10.000 years
- ◆ Risk Matrix is a measure of tolerability for a given company
 - indicates consequence severities
 - at different frequencies

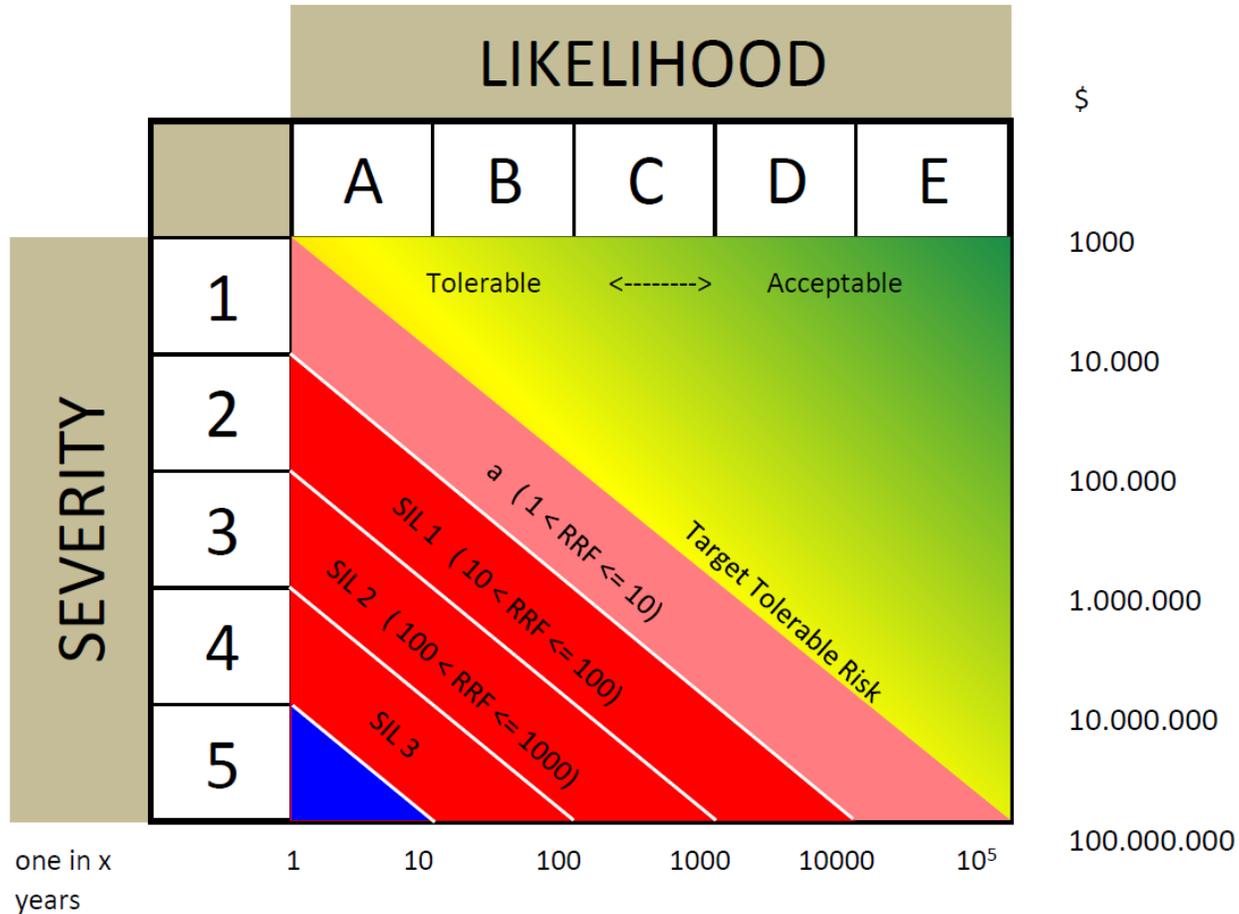
- ◆ **Tolerable:** - accepted by company and employee
- ◆ **ALARP**
 - cost involved in reducing the risk further would be grossly disproportionate to the benefit
- ◆ **Inacceptable**

Risk matrix



Note: Likelihood A is ≥ 1 and < 10 and E is ≥ 10000
 Consequence severity 1 is $\leq 10000\$$ and 5 is $> 10,000,000\$$

Quantitative risk



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 Consequence severity 1 is $\leq 10000\$$ and 5 is $> 10.000.000\$$

LOPA study

- ◆ Multi-discipline team; facilitator, scribe and specialists
- ◆ Focus on quantifying the risk identified in HAZOP
- ◆ Evaluate the gap between risk without SIS and tolerable risk
- ◆ Might recommend additional layers of protection
- ◆ Remaining residual risk to be reduced by SIS expressed as:
 - tolerable PFD_{avg} of SIF
 - Risk Reduction Factor

$$RRF = 1 / PFD_{avg}$$

Independent Protection Layer

Requirements

- ◆ Specificity
 - IPL prevents or mitigates the consequences of one hazardous event
 - Multiple causes may initiate action of one IPL
- ◆ Independence
 - IPL is independent of the other protection layers associated with the identified danger
- ◆ Dependability
 - It can be counted on to do what it was designed to do
- ◆ Auditability
 - It is designed to facilitate regular validation

Notes

- ◆ An IPL shall meet all four requirements, without exception
- ◆ IPL design for that specific scenario (e.g. relief valves have more design cases)

SIL Assessment

- ◆ Qualitative methods provide SIL as an integer number (e.g. SIL 1, SIL 2, SIL 3)
 - Simple, easy to apply but more conservative (e.g. if RRF=100 then **SIL 2**)
- ◆ Quantitative methods provides both SIL and RRF (e.g. **SIL 2 with RRF=300**)

LOW DEMAND MODE OF OPERATION		
Safety integrity level (SIL)	PFD _{avg}	Required risk reduction
4	$\geq 10^{-5}$ to $< 10^{-4}$	$> 10\ 000$ to $\leq 100\ 000$
3	$\geq 10^{-4}$ to $< 10^{-3}$	$> 1\ 000$ to $\leq 10\ 000$
2	$\geq 10^{-3}$ to $< 10^{-2}$	> 100 to $\leq 1\ 000$
1	$\geq 10^{-2}$ to $< 10^{-1}$	> 10 to ≤ 100

CONTINUOUS MODE OR HIGH DEMAND MODE OF OPERATION	
Safety integrity level (SIL)	Average frequency of dangerous failures (failures per hour)
4	$\geq 10^{-9}$ to $< 10^{-8}$
3	$\geq 10^{-8}$ to $< 10^{-7}$
2	$\geq 10^{-7}$ to $< 10^{-6}$
1	$\geq 10^{-6}$ to $< 10^{-5}$

Sharing BPCS/SIS instruments

It is attractive

- ◆ Reduced cost when using less instrumentation
- ◆ Better control based on redundant instrumentation
- ◆ When covered by client standards or agreed

Not recommended

- ◆ Avoid BPCS failure impact on SIS reliability
- ◆ Past accidents when a single instrument was shared by BPCS and SIS
- ◆ CommonHAZOP vs. LOPA
- ◆ cause of failure (e.g. different instruments but same vendor)
- ◆ No reliability calculation tools

BPCS vs. SIS

SIS

- ◆ Highly reliable – typically redundant systems
- ◆ Certified for SIL 1 up to SIL 4 applications
- ◆ SIS failure rates and calculation well documented
- ◆ SIL Verification tool – exSILentia software
- ◆ Spurious trip rate calculation (MTTFS)

BPCS

- ◆ Redundancy is not a requirement
- ◆ Certification for safety reliability not required
- ◆ Failure rates and modes not available
- ◆ Availability based on MTTR and MTTF
- ◆ Assumption of an arbitrary RRF=10



Certificate / Certificat
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VEGA 1202050C P0011 C004

exida hereby confirms that the:

**Radiation-based Transmitters
PROTRAC 30 Series**

**VEGA Grieshaber KG
Schiltach - Germany**

Have been assessed per the relevant requirements of:
IEC 61508 : 2010 Parts 1-7
and meets requirements providing a level of integrity to:
Systematic Capability: SC 2 (SIL 2 Capable)
Random Capability: Type B Element

SIL 2 @ HFT = 0; Route 1_r
**PFD_{avg} and Architecture Constraints
must be verified for each application**

Safety Function:
The PROTRAC 30 Series Transmitter will measure the level of the process material within the stated safety accuracy.

Application Restrictions:
The unit must be properly designed into a Safety Instrumented Function per the Safety Manual requirements.

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BPCS vs. SIS – IEC 61511:2016

- ◆ Limitations of two layers of protection
 - One or two independent SIF's in the same SIS (SIL 3) can have maximum RRF=10000
 - The maximum risk reduction for a BPCS function is 10
 - Two independent BPCS functions can be claimed in LOPA as per IEC 61511
- ◆ **A.9.3.1** The BPCS may be identified as IPL
 - When a BPCS is the initiating source, no more than one BPCS protection layer may be claimed
 - When the initiating source is not BPCS failure, no more than two protection layers may be claimed

MTBF ≤ 100y

RRF ≤ 100

SIS vs. BPCS Reliability

◆ Source: exSILentia database for SIS

– Yokogawa ProSafe-PLC 1oo2D	$\lambda_{DU} = 2.37E-08$	MTBF = 4 822 years
– Honeywell FSC 2004D (QMR)	$\lambda_{DU} = 9.95E-09$	MTBF = 11 465 years
– ABB AC800M High Integrity SIL 3	$\lambda_{DU} = 7.24E-10$	MTBF = 157 652 years

◆ Assumptions for BPCS

- Certification for safety reliability not required
- Failure rates and modes generally not available

- At least equivalent to minimum SIL 2

PFDavg = 0.01 or RRF = 100 low demand
PFH = 10E-6 (1000 FIT) continuous demand

$\lambda_{DU} = 1.14E-06$	MTBF = 100 years
$\lambda_{DU} = 1.00E-06$	MTBF = 114 years

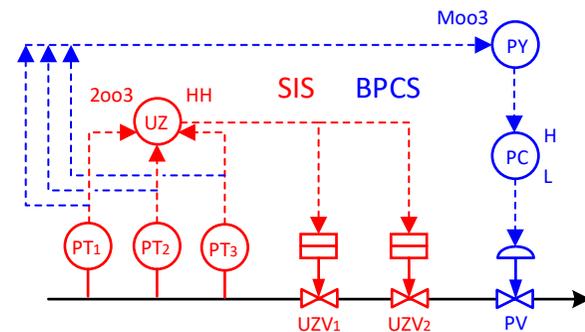
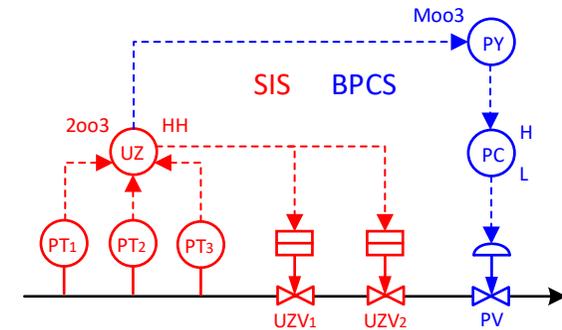
- Maximum should be less than a SIS (SIL 2)
Generic SIL 2 certified PLC (exSILentia)

$\lambda_{DU} = 2.00E-07$ MTBF = 570 years

Assumption of PFH between 200 and 1140 FIT

Case study – 2oo3 voting

- ◆ 2oo3 preferred voting
 - High Reliability (SIL 3)
 - High Availability (MTTFS)
- ◆ Moo3 in BPCS
 - Analogue transmitters can be continuously monitored
 - Instrument failure and repair without process disruption
 - Alarm availability extremely high (1oo3 voting)
 - Control based on Moo3 is more reliable
- ◆ Limitation
 - BPCS is a valid IPL with RRF=10, or
 - SIS credited as SIL 3 and RRF=10000



Calculations 2oo3/Moo3

◆ SIS Sensors (2oo3)

- PT, Yokogawa EJA, E Series & J Series
- $T_i=1$ year, $C_v=90\%$, $L_t=15$ years, $\beta=0.1$

◆ Logic solver

- Yokogawa ProSafe-PLC 1oo2D
- $T_i=1$ year, $C_v=90\%$, $L_t=10$ years

◆ Final elements (1oo2) $\beta=0.1$

- Generic quick exhaust valve:
- $T_i=1$ year, $C_v=98\%$, $L_t=10$ years
- Flowserve Norbro SR actuator:
- $T_i=1$ year, $PST=1$ month
- Swagelok 60 Series 2 Way

◆ BPCS Sensors (Moo3)

- Continuous demand mode!
- Sensor (Moo3) failure $PFH=5.83E-8$

◆ Logic solver

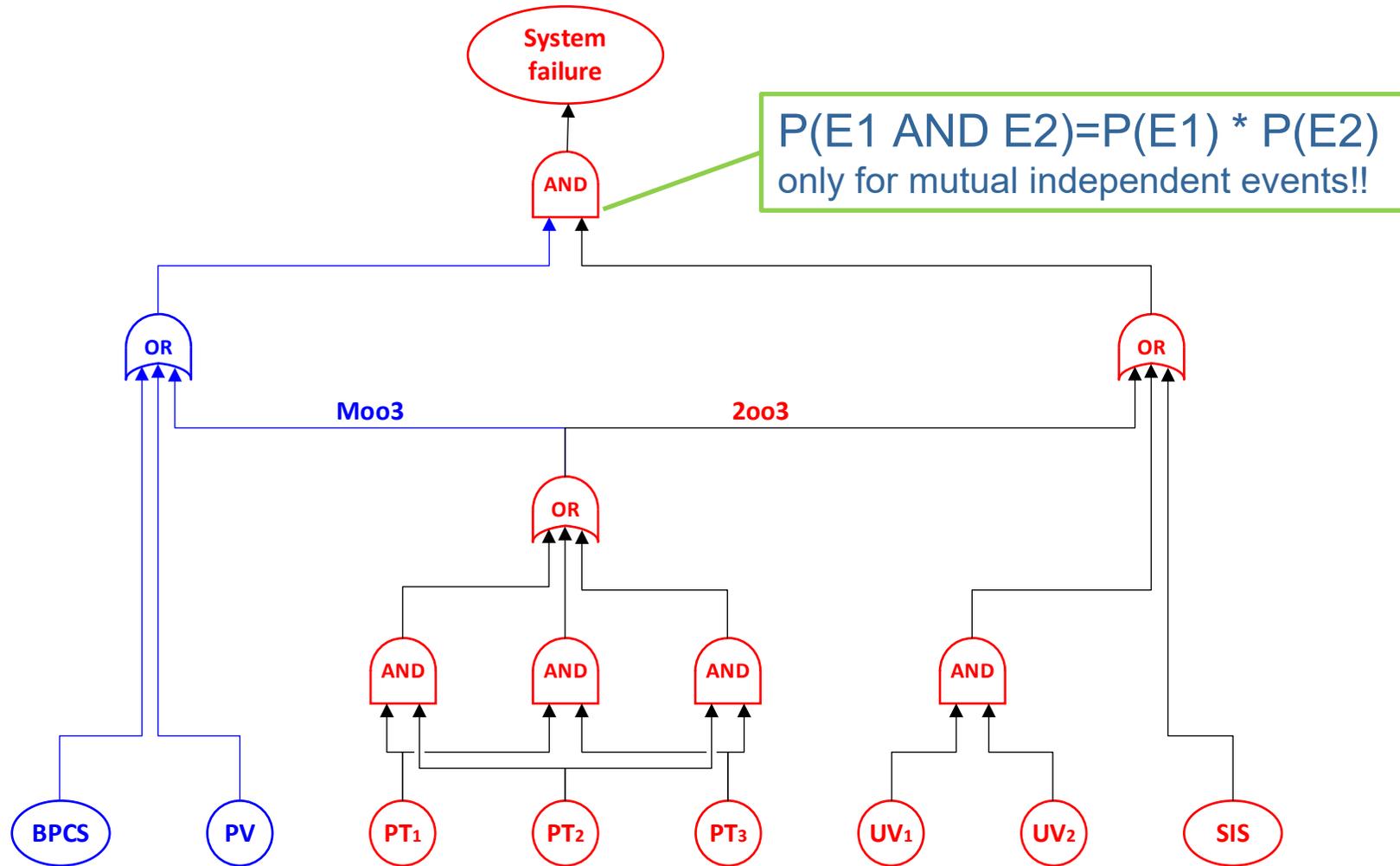
- No option in exSILentia
- Generic PLC (SIL 2) $\lambda_{DU} = 200$ FIT
- BPCS $PFH < 1/100$ years $\rightarrow \lambda_{DU} < 1141$ FIT

◆ Final element (control valve)

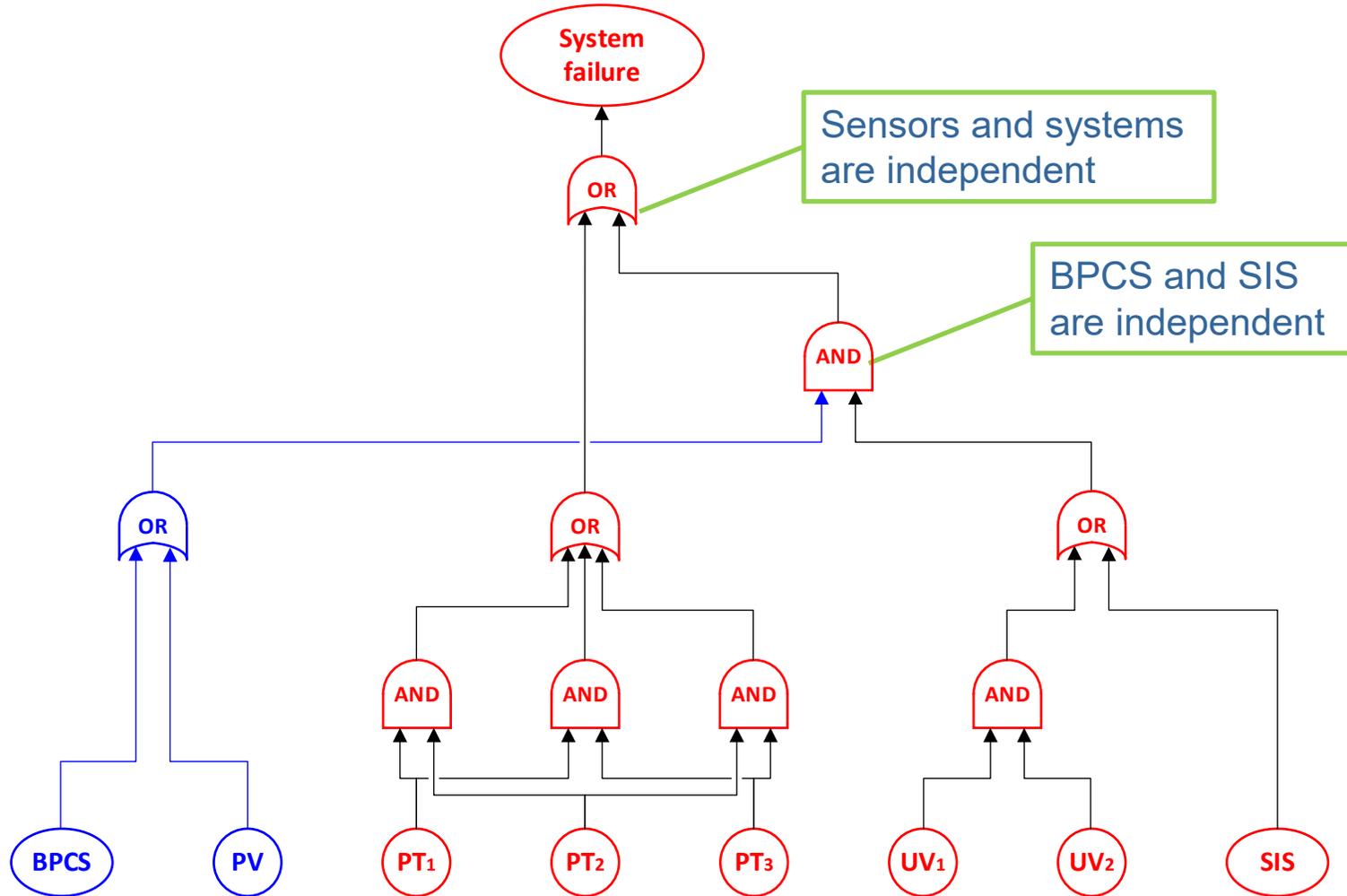
- Generic Globe Valve, $\lambda_{DU} = 1000$ FIT
- Generic Pneumatic Actuator, $\lambda_{DU} = 600$ FIT
- Generic I/P Transducer, $\lambda_{DU} = 2400$ FIT
- Overall $PFH=3.11E-6$ MTBF=36.7 years

	RRF	PFDavg	MTTFS	SIL PFDavg	SIL AC	SIL SC	Resp. Time [ms]	PFDavg Contrib.	MTTFS Contrib.
SENS	3,570	2.80E-4	2829.85	3	3	3	4000.0		
LS	640,536	1.56E-6	408.84		3	3			
FE	1,924	5.20E-4	158.85		3	0			
SIF	1,248	8.01E-4	109.95		3	0			

Functional FTA 2oo3/Moo3



Calculation FTA 2oo3/Moo3



Results 2003/Moo3

◆ Cause in BPCS

- Control valve (PV) failure
- No credit for BPCS
- SIF only protection
 - Sensors $PFD_{avg} = 2.8E-4$
 - SIS $PFD_{avg} = 1.6E-6$
 - UZV's $PFD_{avg} = 5.2E-4$
- Overall $PFD_{avg} = 8.0E-4$

SIL 3 & RRF=1248

◆ Conclusions

- LOPA scenario → SIL verification
- Cause likelihood exclusive sensors
- Failure of SIFs shall be excluded
- Use exSILentia / no credit for BPCS

◆ Cause independent on BPCS

- FTA with increased reliability of SIS+BPCS
 - Sensors $PFD_{avg} = 2.8E-4$
 - BPCS+PV $PFD_{avg} = 0.029$ to 0.037
 - SIS+UZV's $PFD_{avg} = 5.2E-4$
 - SIS+BPCS $PFD_{avg} = 1.51E-5$ to $1.94E-5$
- Overall $PFD_{avg} = 2.97E-4$

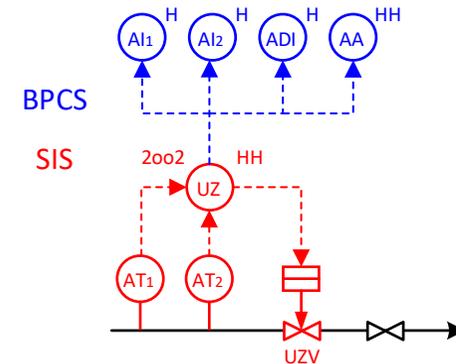
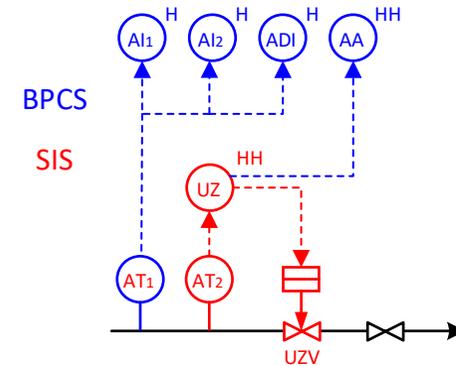
SIL 3 & RRF=3361 (excl. operator errors)

◆ Conclusions

- BPCS control valve → increased reliability
- BPCS contribution is $3361/1248 = 2.7$
- Use a solenoid on control valve
- Use exSILentia / no credit for BPCS
- SIL 3 & RRF= 3255

Case study 1oo2/2oo2

- ◆ Analyzers
 - Low reliability
 - Used in low SIL applications
 - LOPA requires RRF=100
- ◆ Design intent
 - BPCS alarm as 1oo2
 - Deviation alarm
 - 2oo2 in SIS / availability
 - SIL calc. / independent
- ◆ Question
 - Is it better to be independent?
 - Or to share instruments?



Calculation 1oo1(SIS) / 1oo1(BPCS)

- ◆ SIS Sensors (1oo1)
 - SERVOTOUGH Oxydetect 2222
 - $T_i=2$ year, $C_v=91\%$, $L_t=10$ years, $\beta=0.1$
 - $PFD_{avg} = 7.61E-3$ $RRF = 132$
 - $MTTFS = 148$ years
- ◆ Logic solver
 - Honeywell FSC 2004D (QMR)
 - $RRF = 835817$
- ◆ Final elements (1oo3)
 - Two shut-off valves
 - Control valve with solenoid valve
 - $PFD_{avg} = 1.98E-3$ $RRF = 505$
- ◆ SIL 2 with $RRF = 104$
- ◆ BPCS sensor (1oo1)
 - Continuous demand mode!
 - Sensor failure rate 564 FIT
 - Sensor (1oo1) failure $PFH=4.92E-6$
 - $MTBF = 23$ years
- ◆ Logic solver with operator action
 - Assumption of $\lambda_{DU} = 200$ FIT
 - Operator failure estimated $PFH=6.29E-6$
- ◆ Overall risk reduction
 - BPCS $PFH=1.14E-5$ or $RRF 10$
 - SIS demand 1/10

$RRF: 104 \times 10 = 1040$

Calculation 2oo2(SIS) / 1oo2(BPCS)

- ◆ SIS Sensors (2oo2)
 - SERVOTOUGH Oxydetect 2222
 - $T_i=2$ year, $C_v=91\%$, $L_t=10$ years, $\beta=0.1$
 - $PFD_{avg} = 1.44E-2$ $RRF = 69$
 - $MTTFS = 1490$ years
- ◆ Logic solver
 - Honeywell FSC 2004D (QMR)
 - $RRF = 835817$
- ◆ Final elements (1oo3)
 - Two shut-off valves
 - Control valve with solenoid valve
 - $PFD_{avg} = 1.98E-2$ $RRF = 505$
- ◆ SIL 1 with $RRF = 61$
- ◆ BPCS sensors (1oo2)
 - Continuous demand mode!
 - Sensor failure rate 564 FIT
 - Sensor (1oo2) failure $PFH=2.3E-6$
 - $MTBF = 49$ years
- ◆ Logic solver with operator action
 - Assumption of $\lambda_{DU} = 200$ FIT PF
 - Operator failure estimated $PFH=6.29E-6$
- ◆ BPCS overall protection
 - BPCS $PFH=1.14E-5$ or $RRF 13$
 - SIS demand 1/13
 - With SIS overall $RRF = 793$

Conclusions – sharing instrumentation

- ◆ Follow client specifications
 - Do not take credit for BPCS as safeguard
 - Take credit for BPCS, but limit overall RRF to 10000

- ◆ Simplify risk assessment
 - Documented in LOPA ToR and agreed with the client
 - Consider only failure of BPCS and control valve as cause
 - Consider failure of shared instruments as initiating event / no protection

- ◆ Benefits
 - Better availability for process control
 - Less demand for safety system
 - BPCS improving the safety of the plant can be demonstrated

Q&A

