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*Creating Momentum Toward
Transformational Change*

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LWRS Physical Security Pathway Risk-Informed Security R&D



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Program Goals and Objectives

- Goal
 - Enhance the **safe, efficient, and economical performance** of our nation's nuclear fleet and extend the operating lifetimes of this reliable source of electricity.
- Objectives
 - **Enable long-term operation of the existing nuclear power plants**
 - **Deploy innovative approaches to improve economics and economic competitiveness of LWRs in the near-term and in future energy markets**
 - **Sustain safety, improve reliability, enhance economics.**
- Research and development focus areas
 - Plant modernization
 - Flexible Plant Operations and Generation
 - Risk-informed systems analysis
 - Materials research
 - **Physical Security**

DOE's program for LWR RD&D



Nine Mile Point (Courtesy of Exelon)

Research Pathways

Plant Modernization

Enable plant efficiency improvements through a strategy for long-term modernization

Flexible Plant Operation & Generation

Enable diversification and increase revenue of light water reactors by deploying systems to extract electrical and thermal energy to produce non-electrical products

Risk Informed System Analysis

Develop significantly improved safety analysis methods and tools to optimize the safety, reliability, and economics of plants

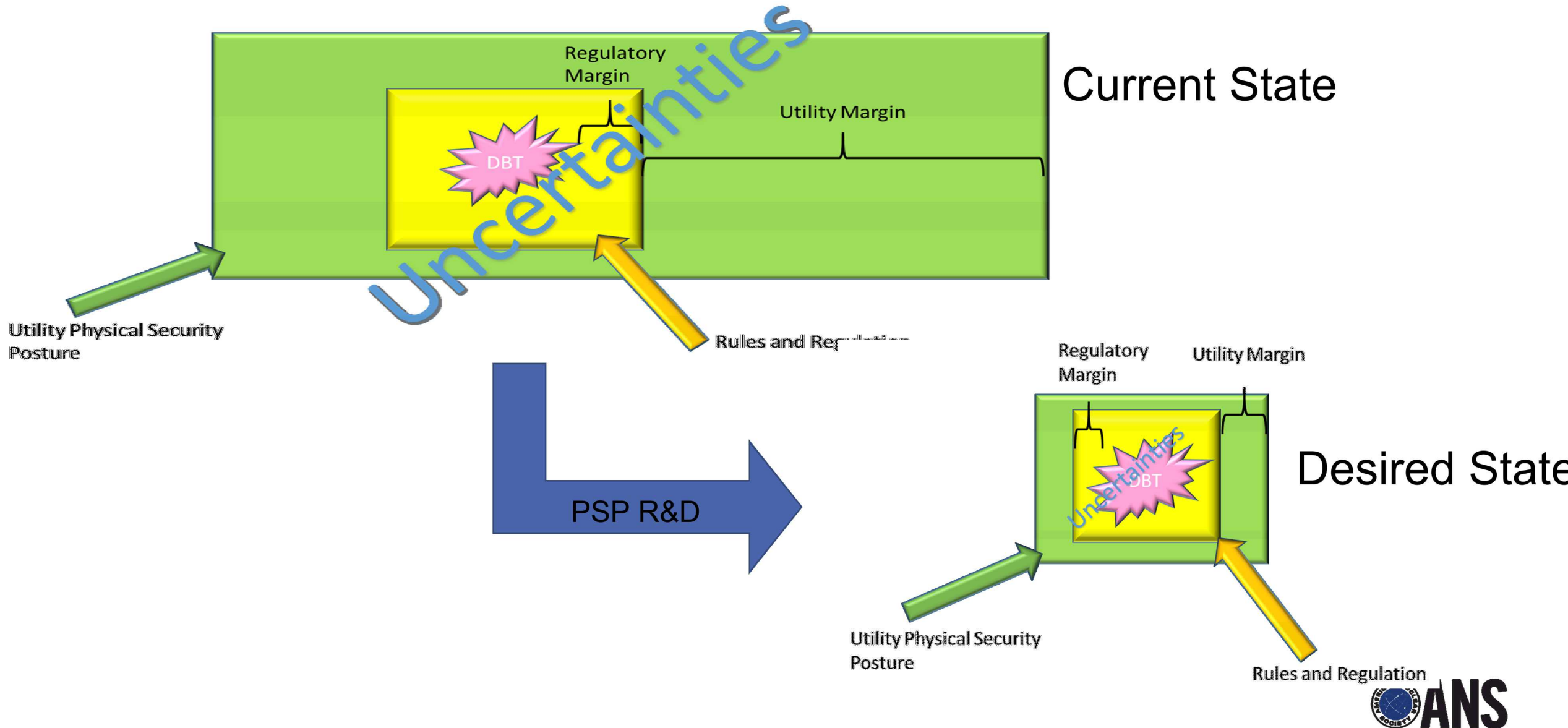
Materials Research

Understand and predict long-term behavior of materials in nuclear power plants, including detecting and characterizing aging mechanisms

Physical Security

Develop and provide technologies and the technical bases to optimize physical security postures to maintain protection and improve efficiencies

Physical Security State – Current versus Desired

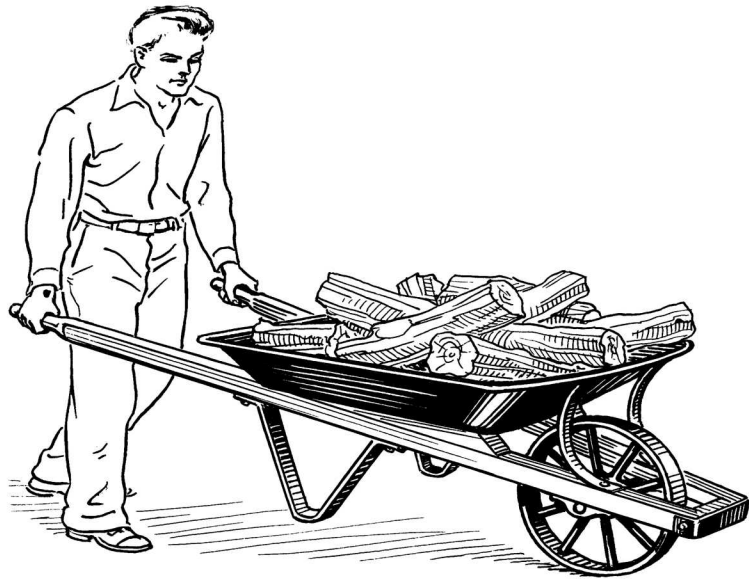




LWRS Physical Security Pathway R&D Focus

- Risk-Informing Physical Security
 - Dynamic Methods
 - Operator Action, FLEX use
 - Beyond Target Set Loss
 - Bayesian Applications to Adversary Timelines
 - Other (STPA, RIMES, HAZCADS, Other)
- Application and R&D of Advanced Technologies
 - Remote Operated Weapon Systems
 - Advanced Sensors
 - Deliberate Motion Algorithms
 - Water borne threat sensors
 - Other
- Industry Guided Needs

Physical Security Tools for Reducing Uncertainties





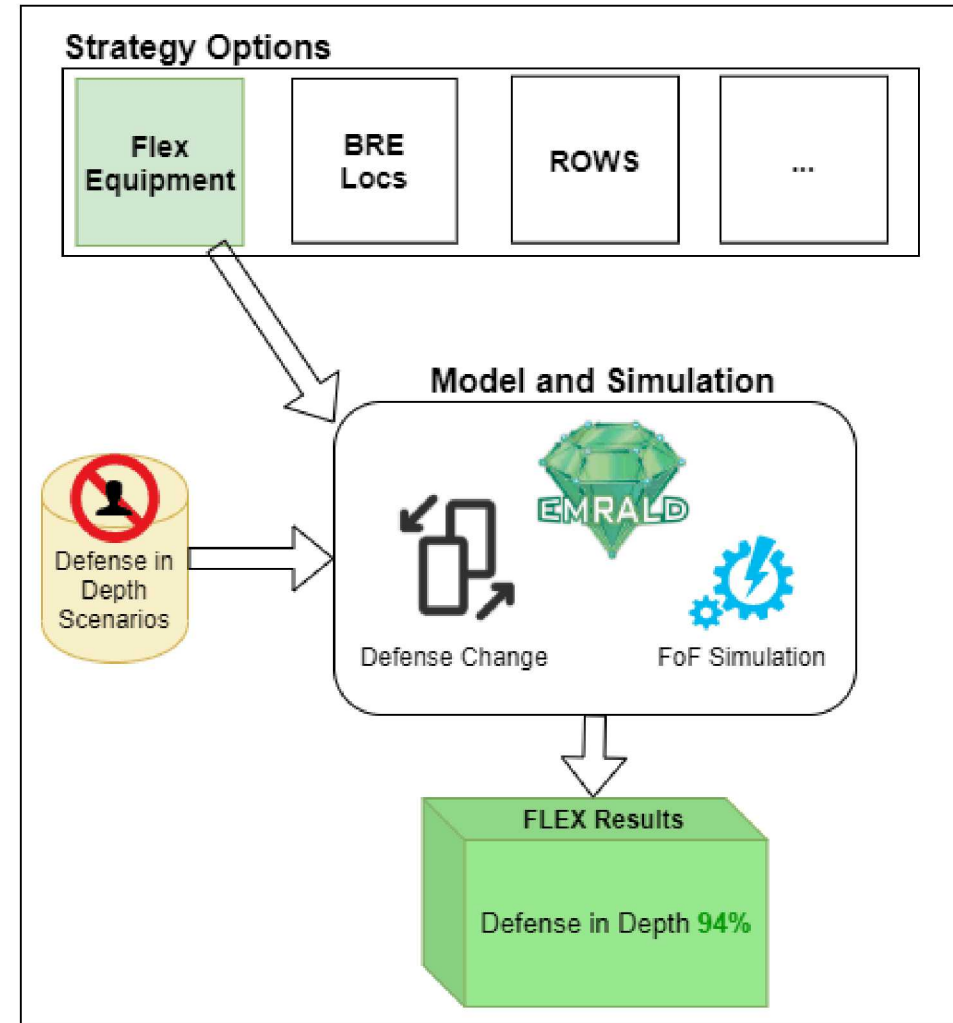
LWRS PSP Risk-Informed Activities

Research Objective

- Develop and demonstrate tools for a risk-informed physical security method capable of incorporating:
 - Dynamic risk methods,
 - FLEX portable equipment
 - Physics-based modeling and simulation
 - Operator actions
 - Tie with existing PRA models
- The enhanced dynamic modeling capabilities will enable an optimized physical security posture with
 - Reduced uncertainties and conservatism
 - Increased realism in FoF models
 - Quantitative metrics that reflect risk-informed measures of effectiveness
 - Improved technical basis for plant physical security

Potential Strategy Evaluation

1. Use research results and expert judgement to select strategy
2. Build model of Strategy using necessary tools
3. Use DiD scenarios from base results for varied data sets
4. Run simulations
5. Evaluate results for large increase in safety margin



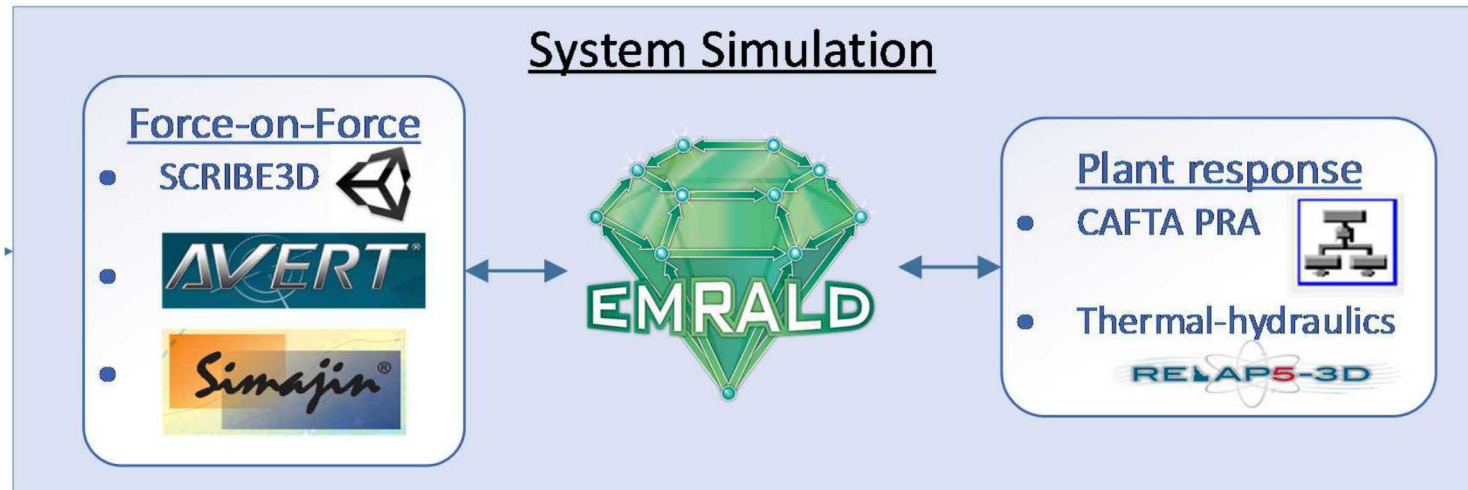
Simulation Tools and Optimization Areas

Tools

- Scribe 3D
- Avert
- Samajin
- EMRALD

Optimization Areas

- Human Performance Modeling
- Modeling Limitations
- Equipment & design Evaluation
- Flex Equipment
- BRE Optimization



Use Case Study 1 : Bathroom Breaks



What risk increase is there for an attack scenario if guards are allowed to take random and unobservable bathroom breaks from BREs without a relief requirement?

Results

1E6 simulations → 560
attacks → 39 times (7%)
guards not ready

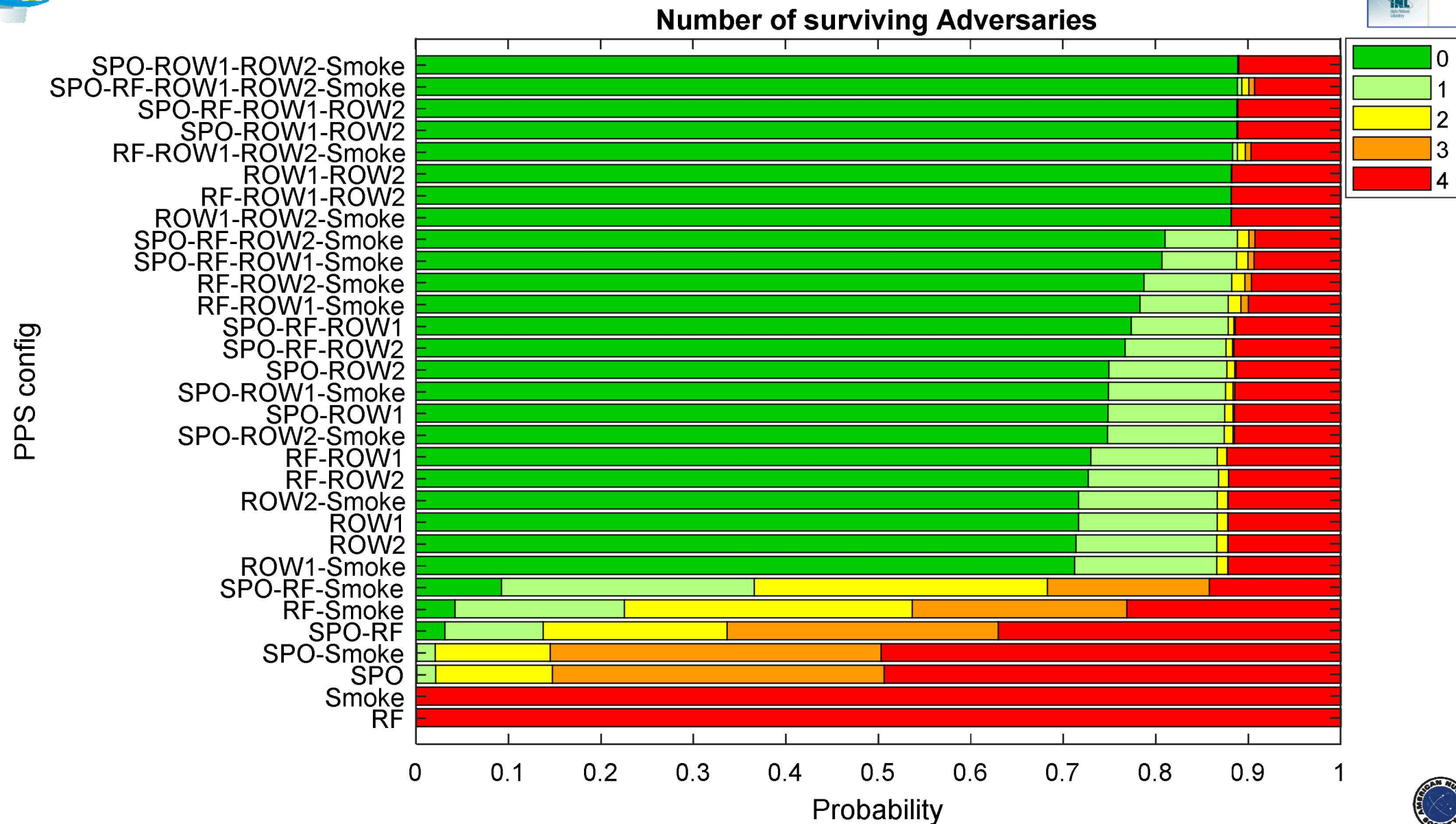
Case Study: Phys. Prot. Design Comparison

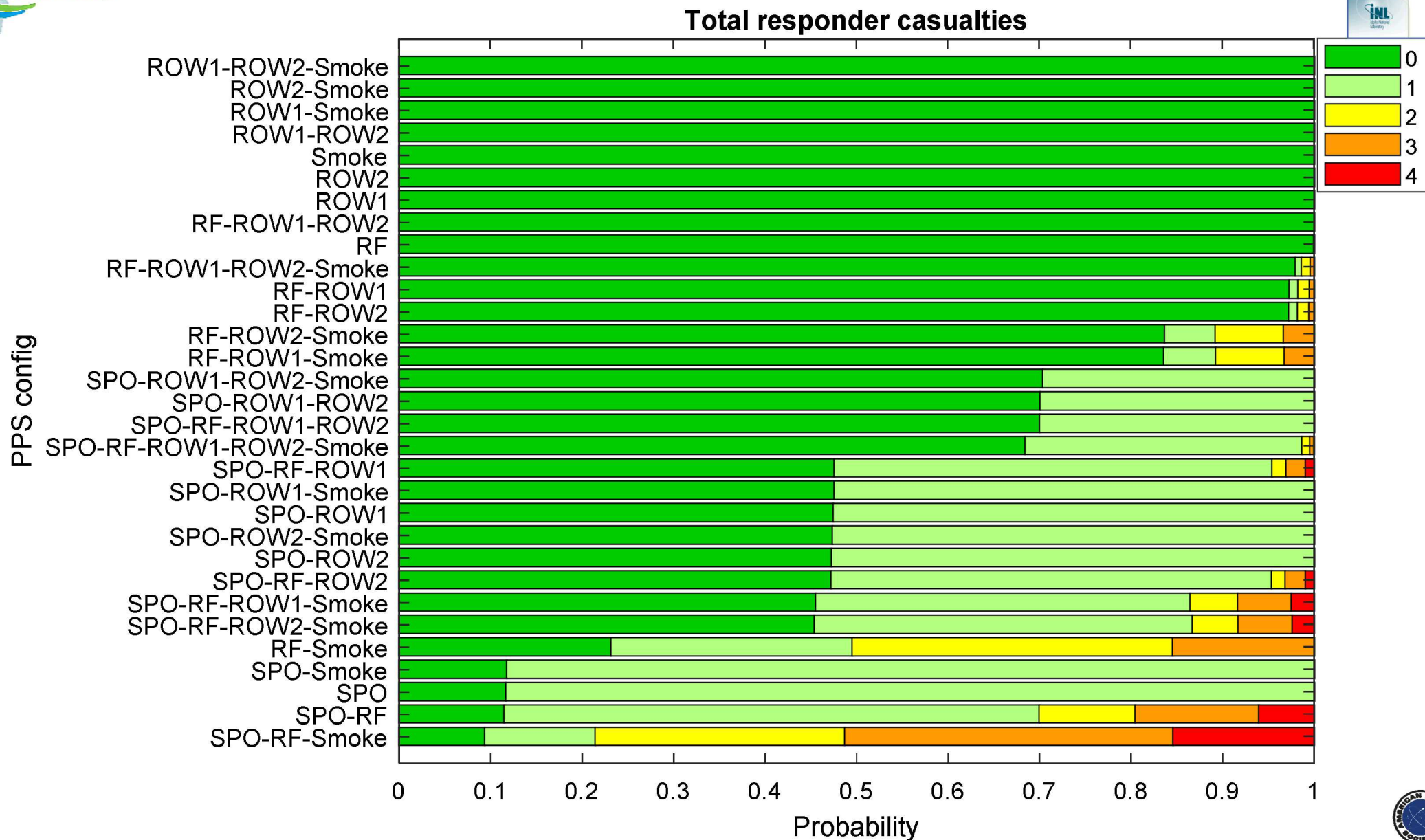
- Enumerate combinations of these elements in EMERALD:

- SPO guards
- Mobile tactical Response Force (RF)
- Smoke generator as an indoor delay element
- A pair of Remote Operated Weapon Systems (ROWS)

Total $2^4 - 1 = 31$ combinations

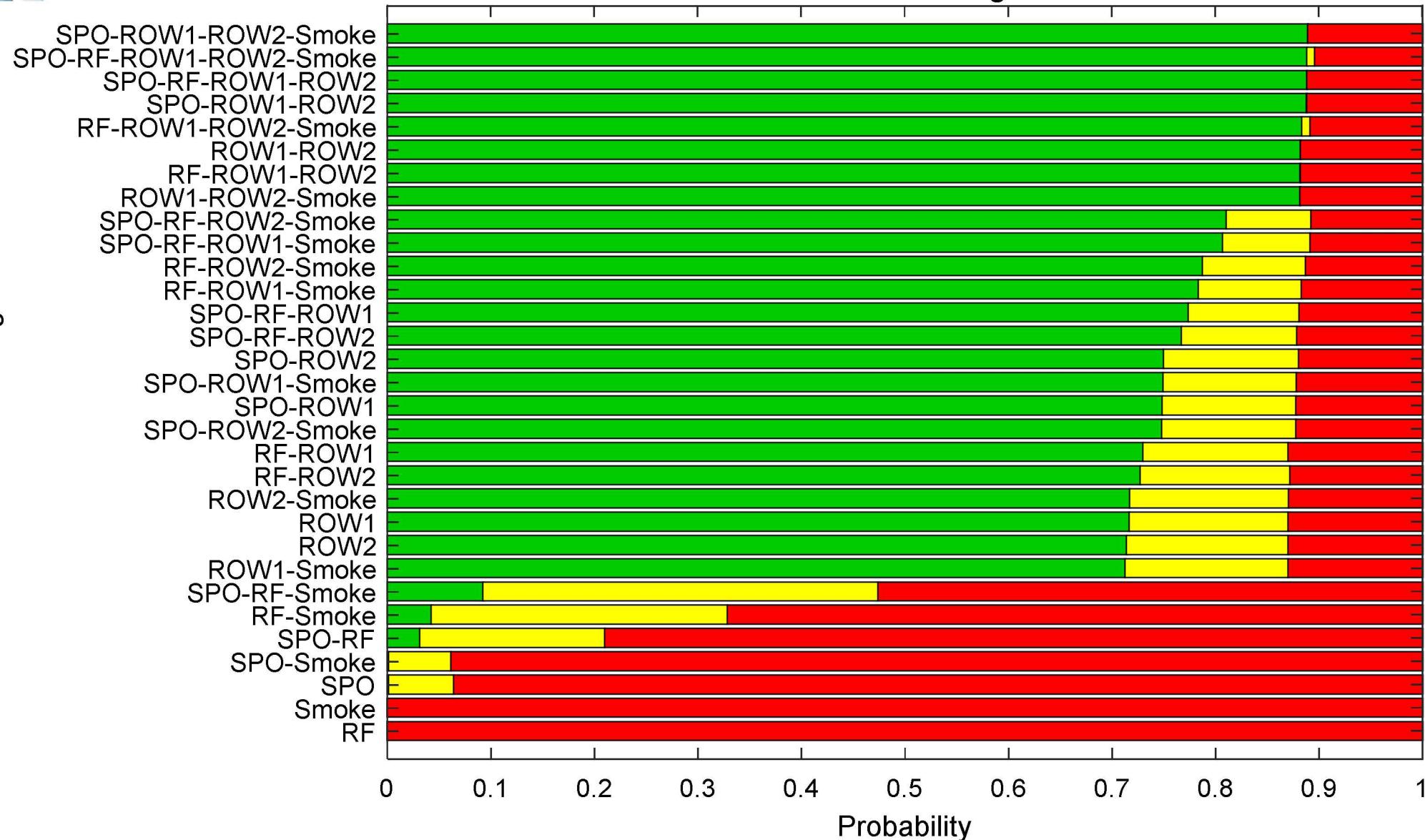


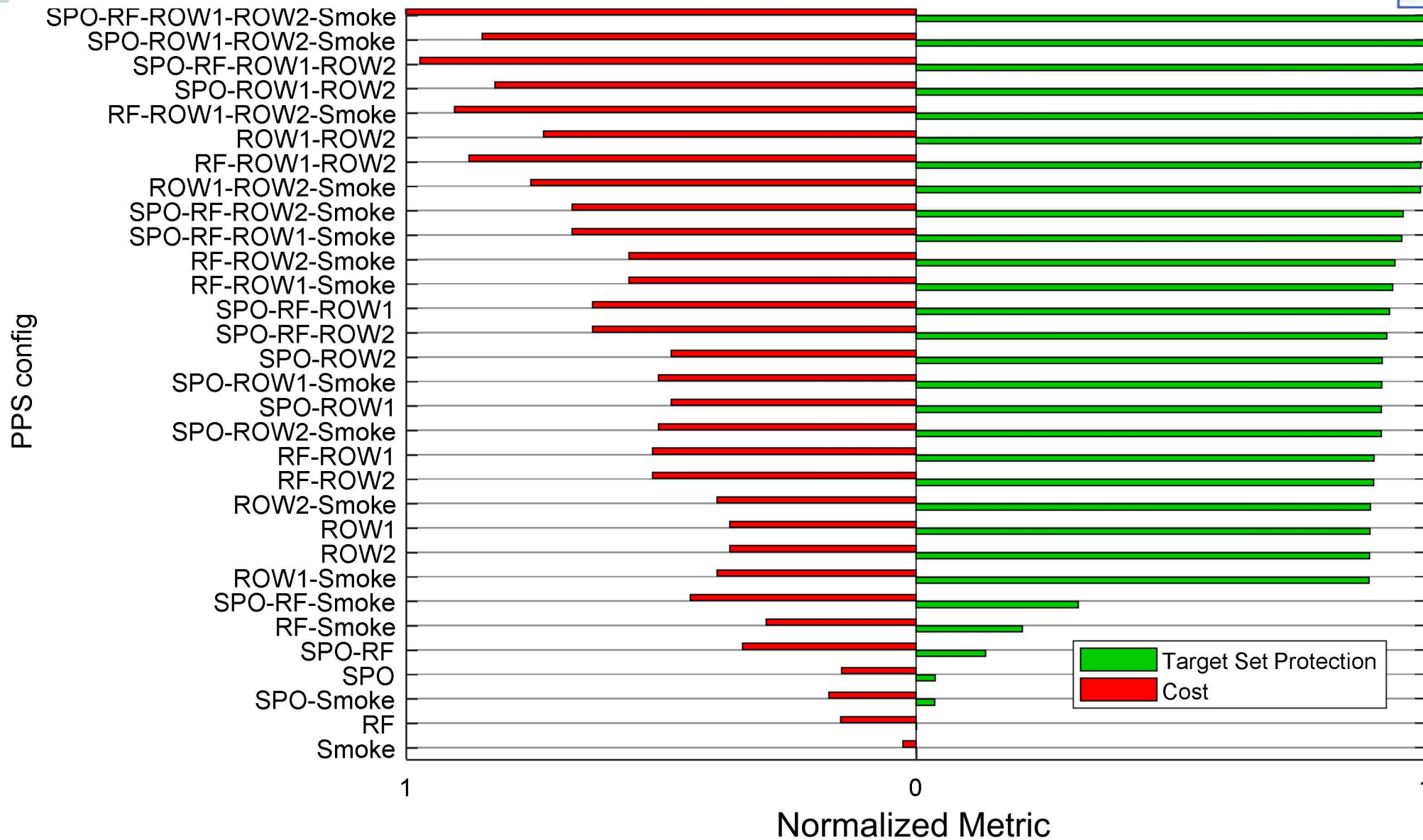




PPS config

Number of remaining EDGs





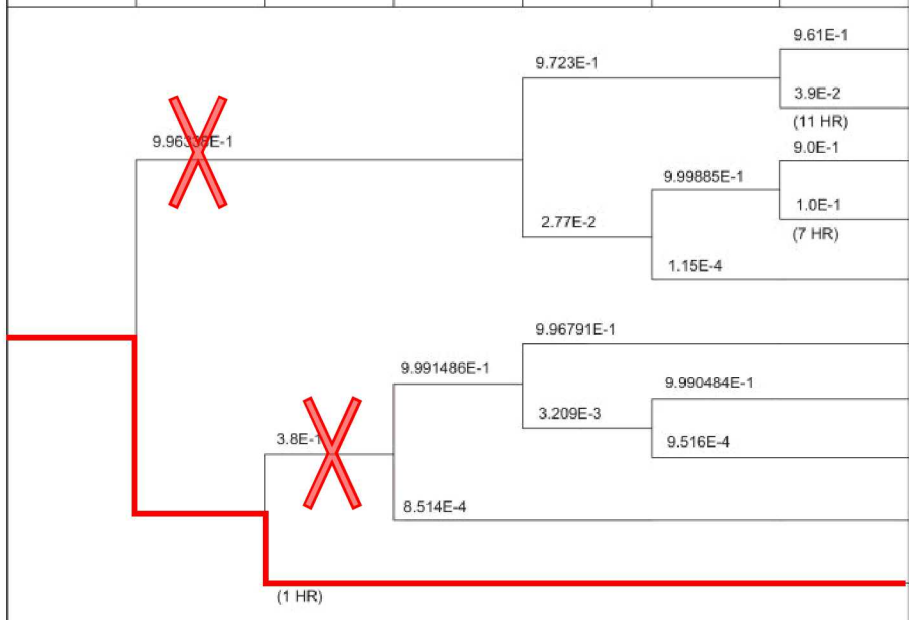
Safety Equipment

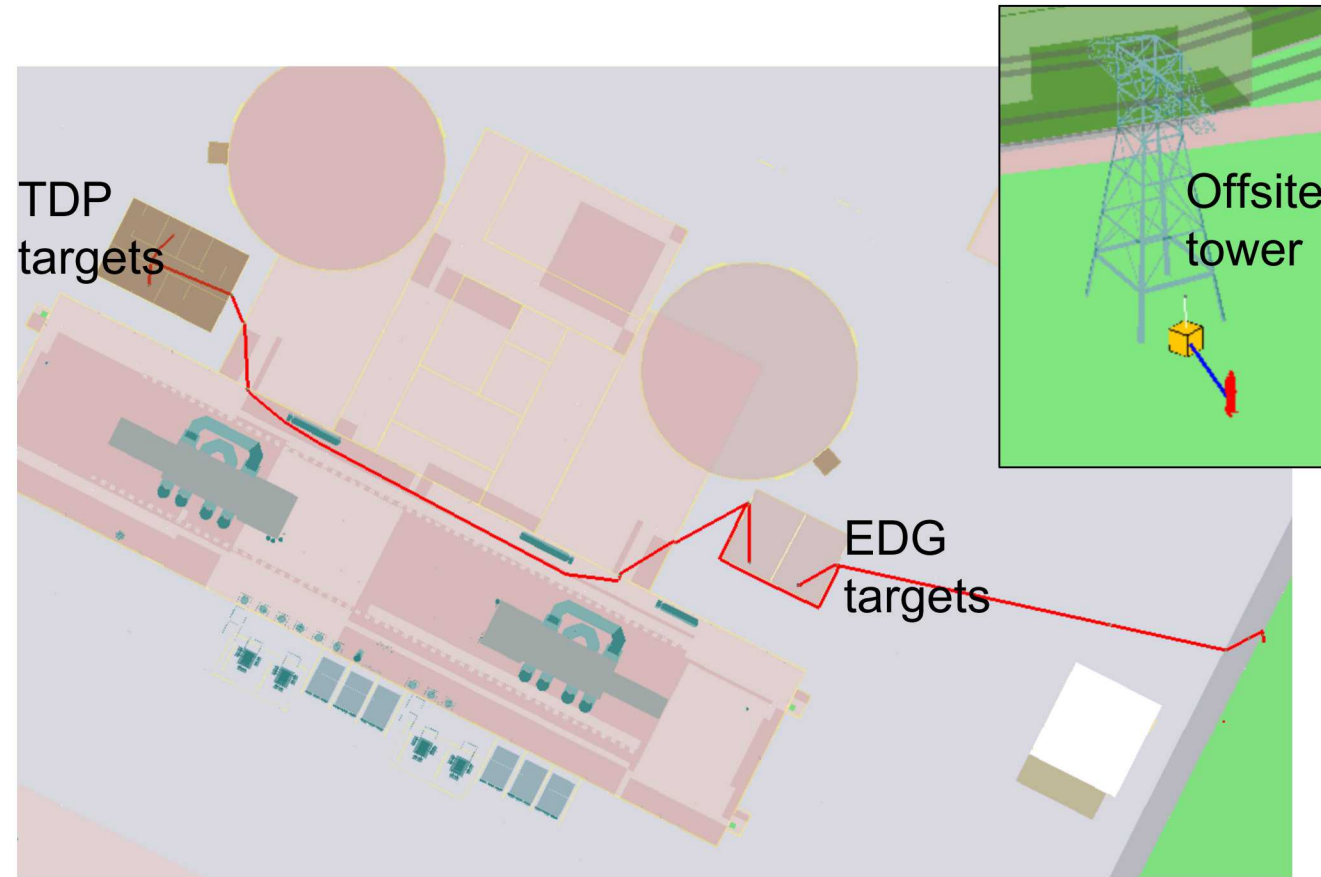
Diverse and Flexible Mitigation Strategy (FLEX)

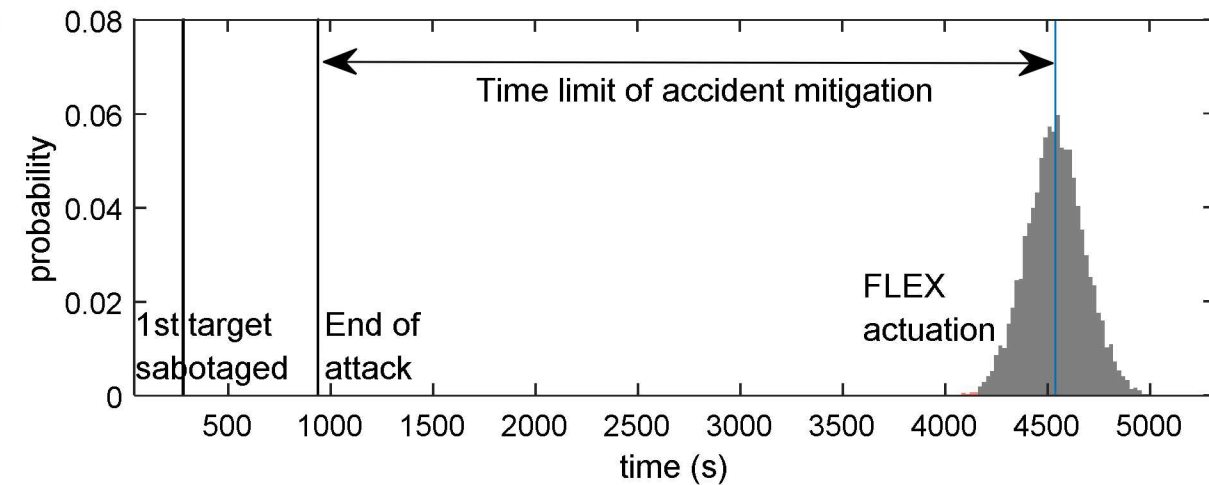
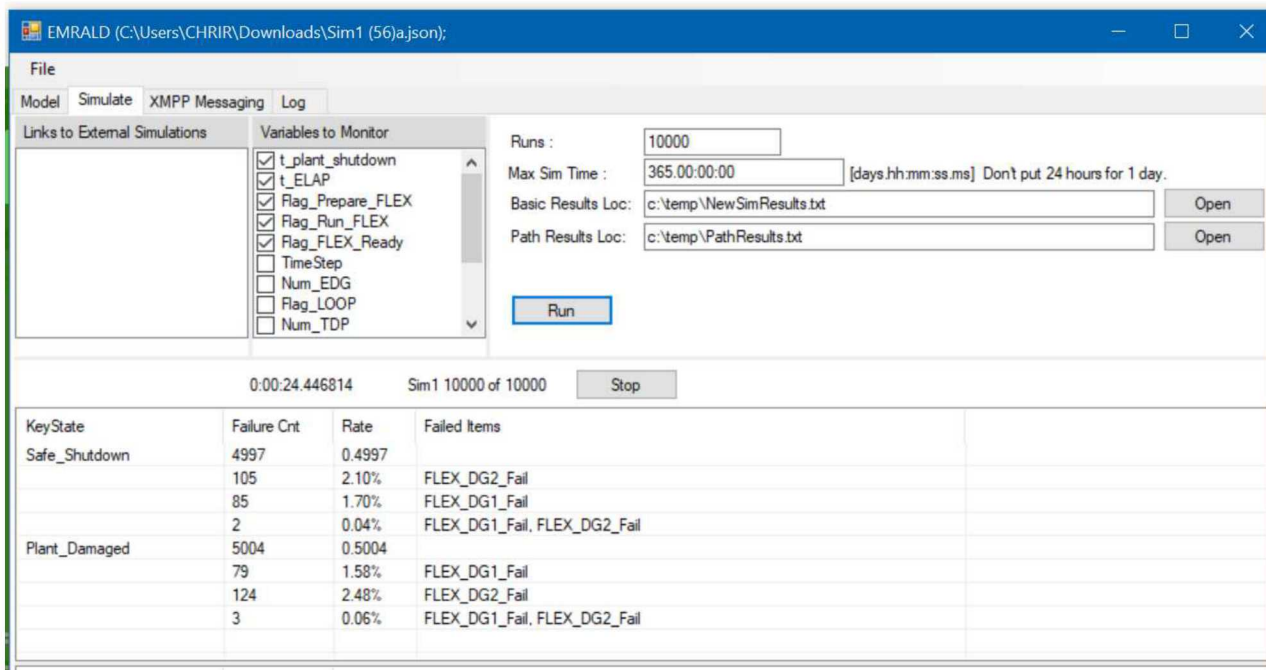


Hypothetical Plant

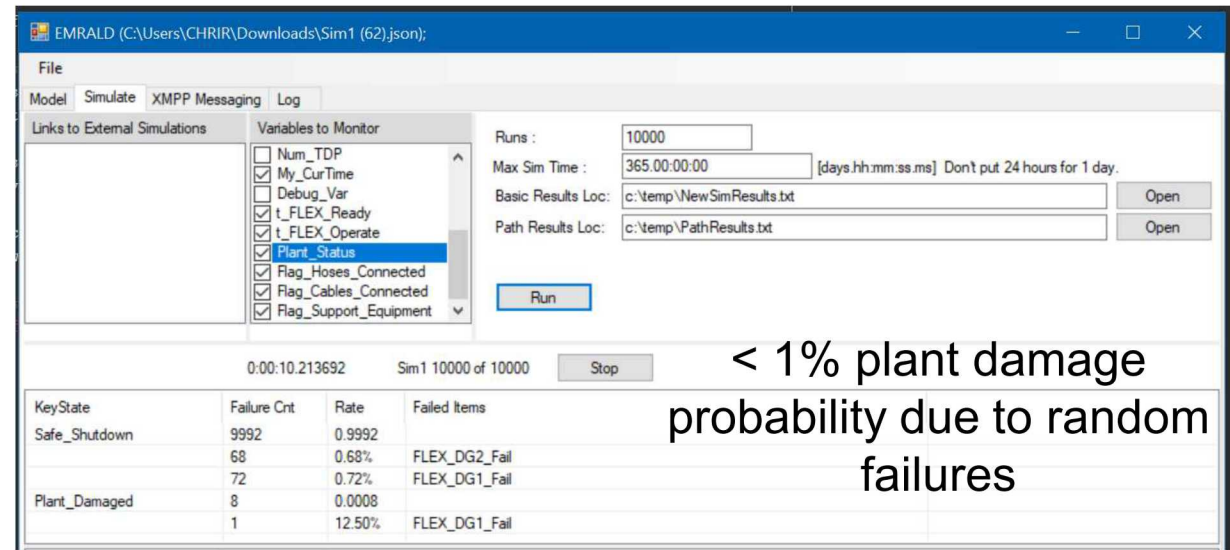
Scenario:
Damage NPP by sabotaging its power line,
EDGs and TDPs

Station Blackout	AFW Using TDP	Recover Offsite Power (Early)	AFW Using MDP	Steam Removal Using MSADV	Steam Removal Using MSSV	Recover Offsite Power (Late)	NO	SP ¹⁾
SBO	AFT	RACE	AFM	SHR1	SHR2	RACL		
							1	9.31E-1
							2	3.78E-2
							3	2.484E-2
							4	2.76E-3
							5	3.173E-6
							6	1.386E-3
							7	4.458E-6
							8	4.246E-9
							9	1.185E-6
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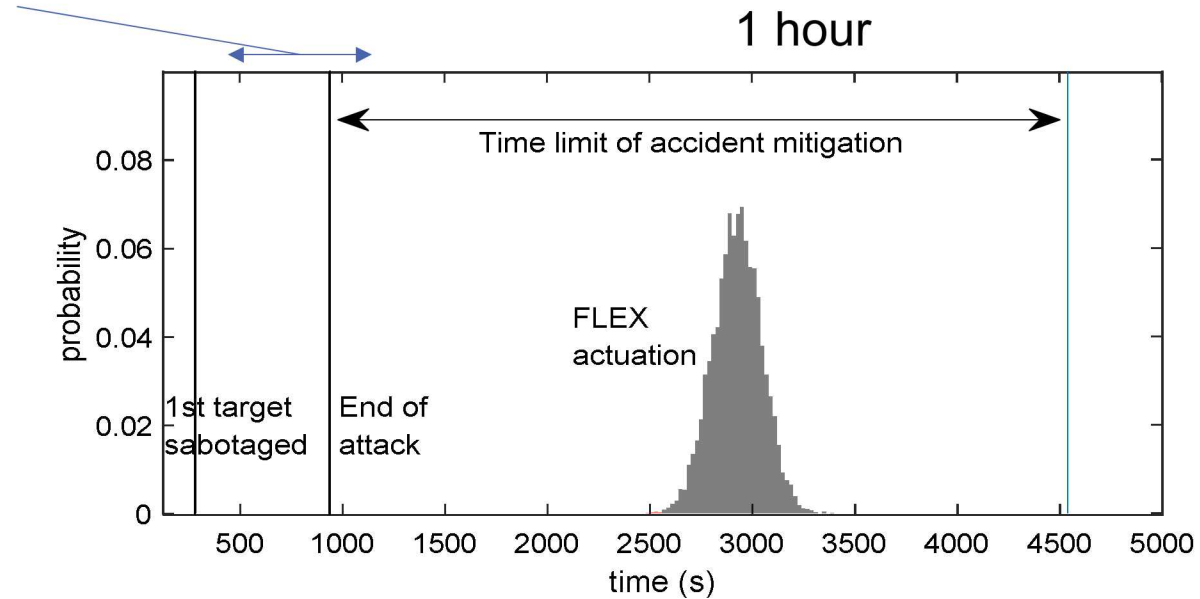




- Potential Flex Benefit
- Need rules for acceptance



Value of non-lethal denial (e.g. sticky foam, smoke generator)



Bayesian Updating: Risk Informed Timeline Development

- Bayesian updating is a method to incorporate a prior belief and update it based on additional information that has become available
 - Prior beliefs can be subjective, such as SME judgement, or quantitative, such as previous relevant test data
- Has been widely developed in recent years to support machine learning and artificial intelligence
- While related to machine learning, does not have the same “black box” concerns that other machine learning methods can create
- Bayesian methods can be used with smaller data sets than frequentist methods, and due to the costs associate with delay tests we often work with limited data

Benefits of Risk Informed Timeline Analysis

- Moving to a risk informed method allows the focus to move from the attacks that are the fastest, to the attacks that are most likely to succeed
 - Repeat timeline analysis for multiple potential paths
 - Adversaries are going to try to maximize their chance of success, which does not always equate to the shortest timeline in and out
- Provides a broad understanding of which pathways have the most risk associated with them, allowing prioritization of funds for upgrading physical protection systems
- Provides a method for combining all available data in a statistically sound and consistent way
- Provides more detailed probability distributions for incorporating into modern system evaluation tools
- May allow reconsideration of DBT elements, as with a risk informed basis it may be feasible to address a wider range of threats, resulting in higher overall system performance

Future Goals for Risk Informed Timeline Development

- Generate a tool that can be used by SMEs to create timelines
 - Standardize methods for timeline development
 - Create GUI that is able to pull performance data from a database to simplify generation of timelines, include probability distributions when feasible
 - Allow SMEs to generate probability distributions for tasks that are not well characterized
 - Generate timeline with automatic references to data source, annotation of tasks that required SME judgement, and probability distribution curves for the time to completion and chance of success for each individual task as well as any combination of tasks
 - Include tools to utilize Bayesian updating if additional information is generated through performance testing or additional SME analysis



Key Industry Collaborations



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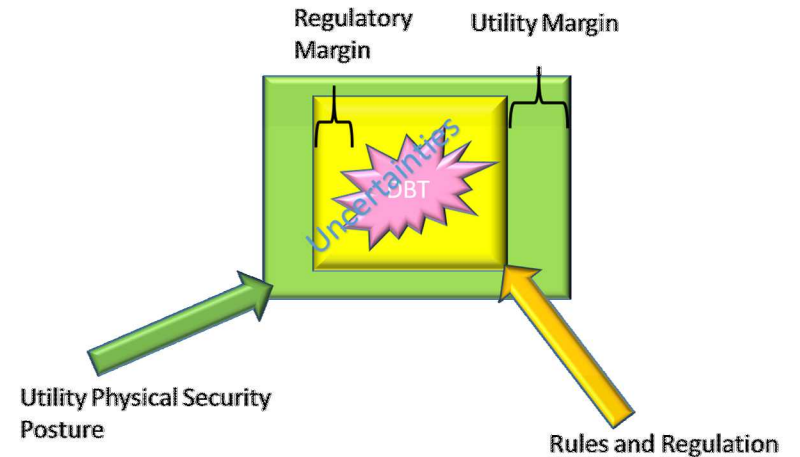


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Conclusion

- **Physical Security** research aims to create tools, technologies, and risk-inform physical security decisions and activities
- Developing mitigation strategies and enhance the technical basis necessary for stakeholders to reevaluate physical security postures while meeting regulatory requirements.
- Create new technologies, methods, and tools to optimize physical security at U.S. nuclear power plants that address Design Basis and regulatory requirements.
- Near-term goal is to develop approaches to enable industry to operate nearer the staffing requirements of 10 CFR 73.55.



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