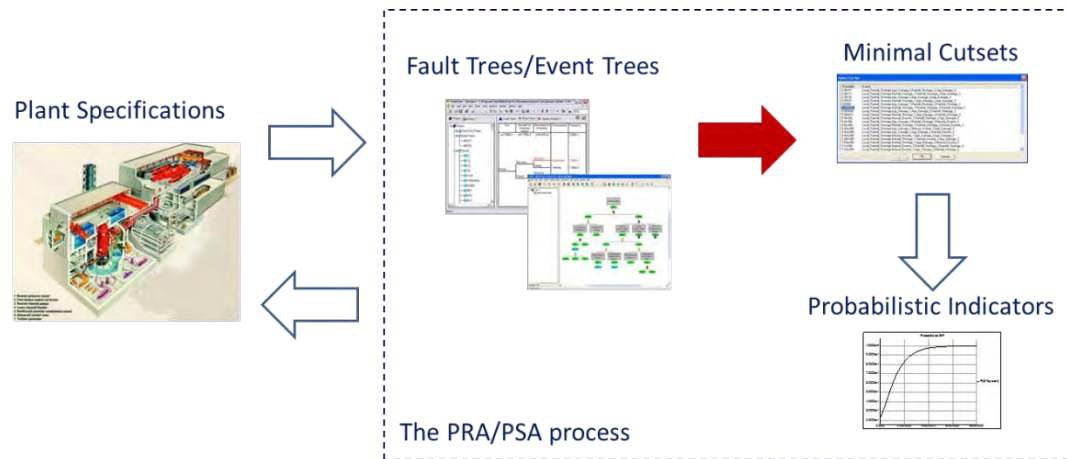


New Logic Modeling Paradigms for Complex System Reliability and Risk Analysis

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Probabilistic Risk Assessment ...



... is now established on a solid scientific ground

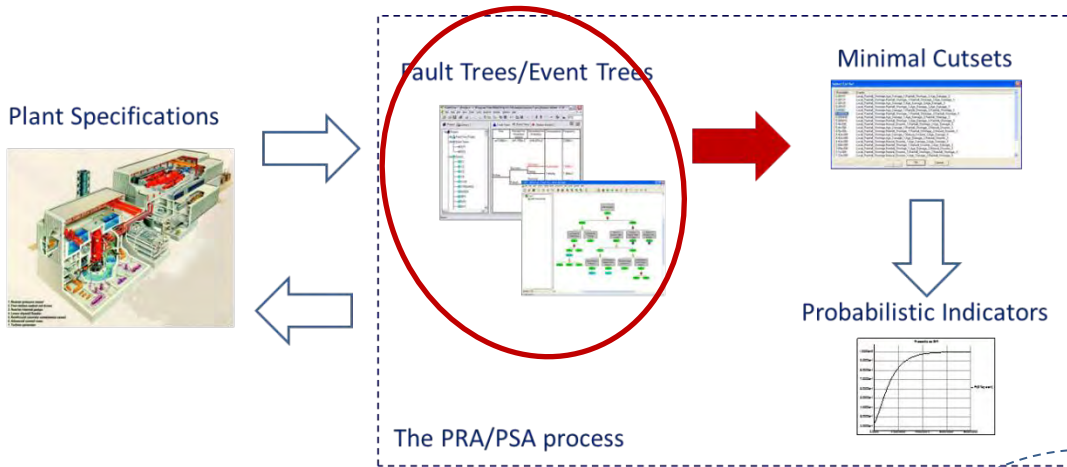
... is a mature technology

... is a great tool for decision making

So, what's next?

- More openness
- Higher level modeling languages
- Wider spectrum of applications

New Algorithms for Model Assessment



Issues:

- Finding the **right level of abstraction** is difficult to achieve

Design **Filtering Algorithms** that to build simpler models that are **equivalent w.r.t. to observation means**

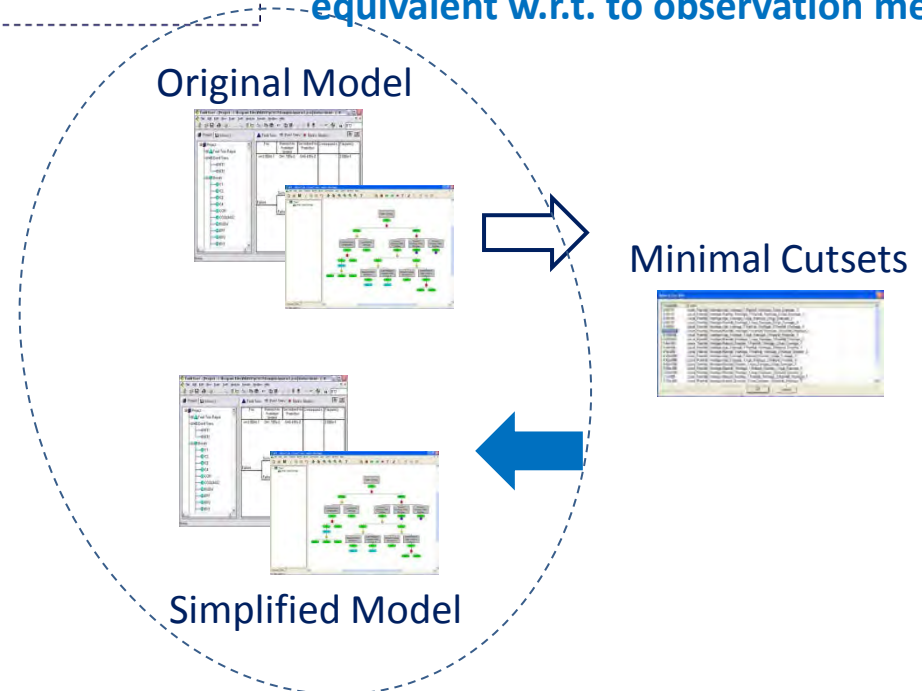
Typical example (US plant):

- ~2 500 Basic Events PSA model

What has been calculated:

- ~100 000 Minimal Cutsets
- 95% of the Core Damage Frequency with less than 5% of the Basic Events, 100% with 25%

In a word, 75% of the model is “useless”!



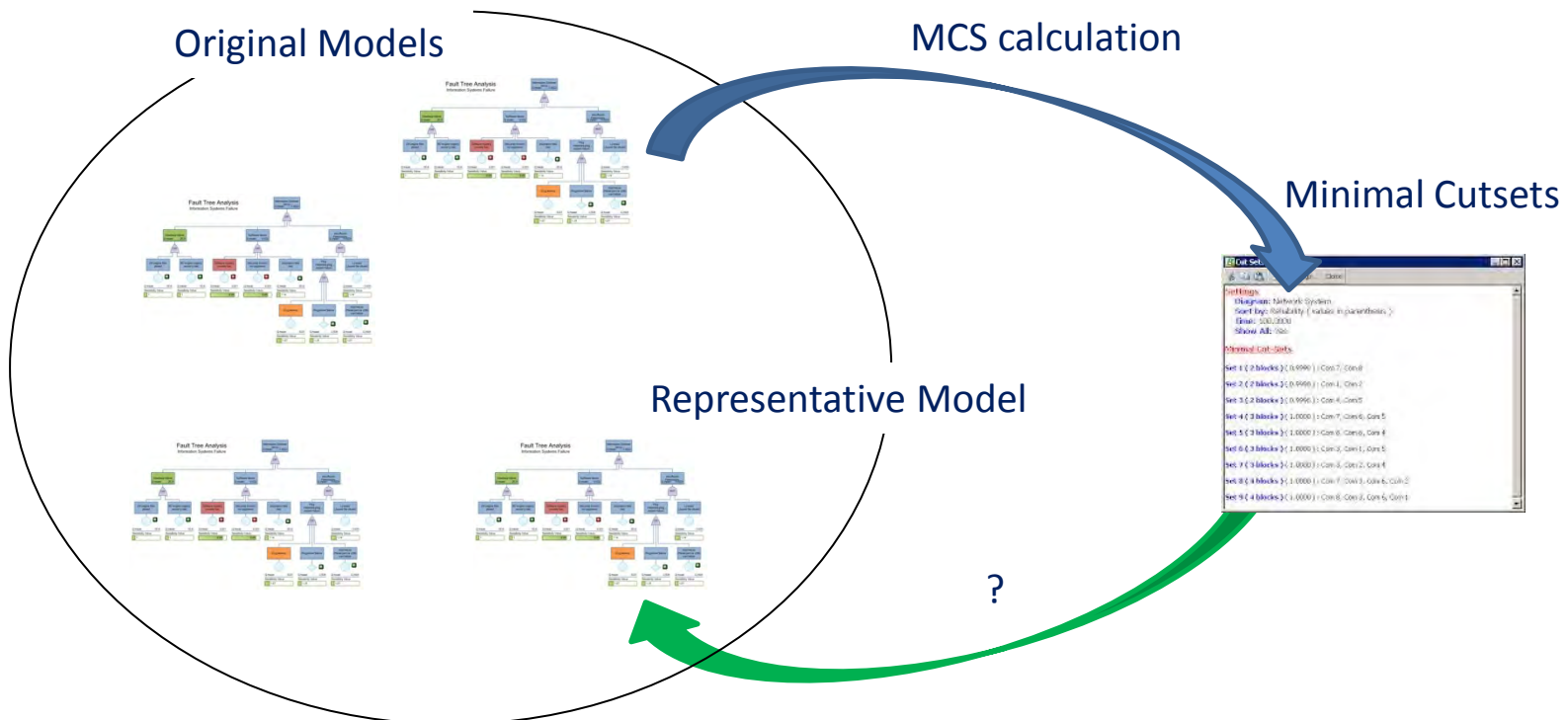
Categories of Models

Challenge/research direction:

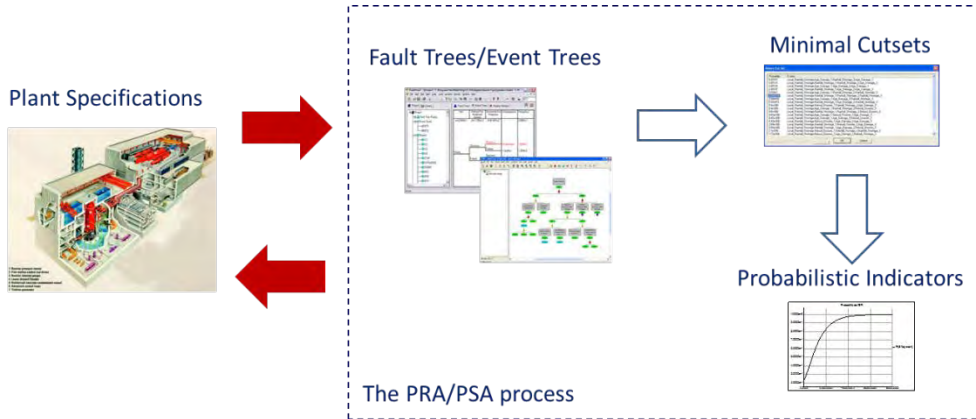
Many possibly very different models are **undistinguishable by observation means**, i.e. results of virtual experiments (typically, calculation of failure scenarios). They are **equivalent** in the **Turing test** sense.

Equivalent models form a **category**.

Design mathematical concepts, algorithms and tools to determine the **most representative** (simplest?) model of a category.



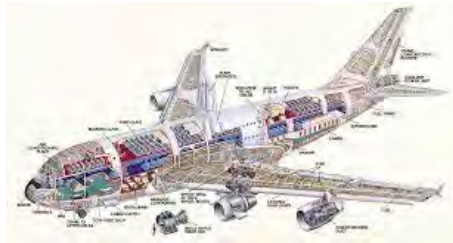
High Level Modeling Languages



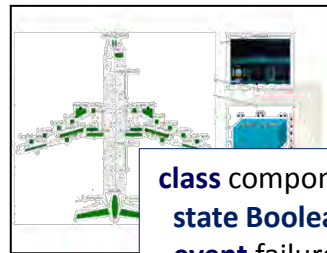
Issues:

- **Completeness** of specifications with respect to safety concerns
- **Distance** between system specifications and safety models
- **Integration** with other system engineering disciplines

System Specification



AltaRica



Automated Generation

Fault Trees



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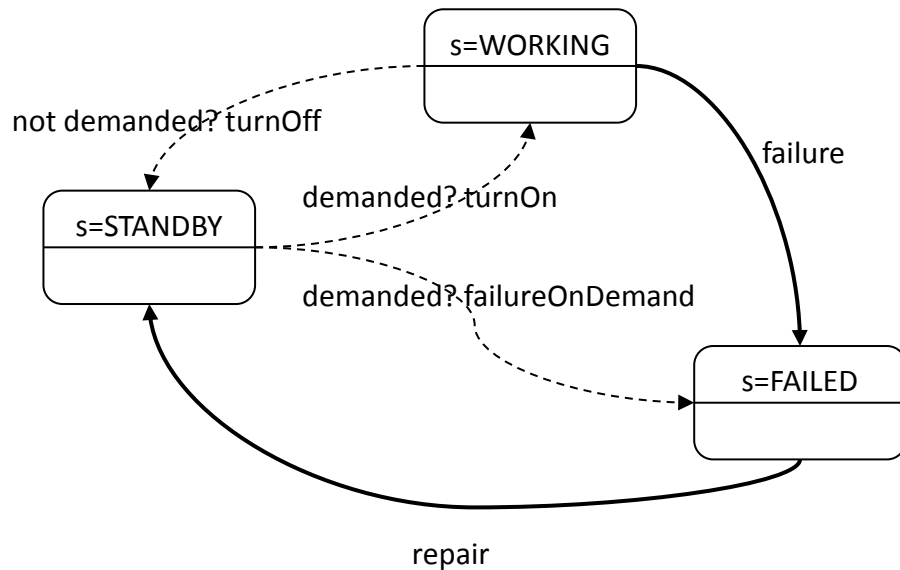
class component
state Boolean working (init = true);
event failure (delay = exponential(lambda));
transition
failure: working -> working := false;
end
    
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Calculations

AltaRica features

- Formal
- Event-Based
- Textual & graphical
- Multiple assessment tools

Guarded Transition Systems:



domain componentState { STANDBY, WORKING, FAILED}

class spareComponent

componentState s (**init** = WORKING);

Boolean demanded (**reset** = false);

event turnOn (**delay** = 0, **expectation** = 0.98),
 failureOnDemand (**delay** = 0, **expectation** = 0.02),
 turnOff (**delay** = 0),
 failure (**delay** = **exponential**(0.001)),
 repair (**delay** = **exponential**(0.1));

transition

turnOn: s==STANDBY **and** demanded -> s := WORKING;

failureOnDemand: s==STANDBY **and** demanded -> s := FAILED;

turnOff: s==WORKING **and not** demanded -> s := STANDBY ;

failure: s==WORKING -> s := FAILED;

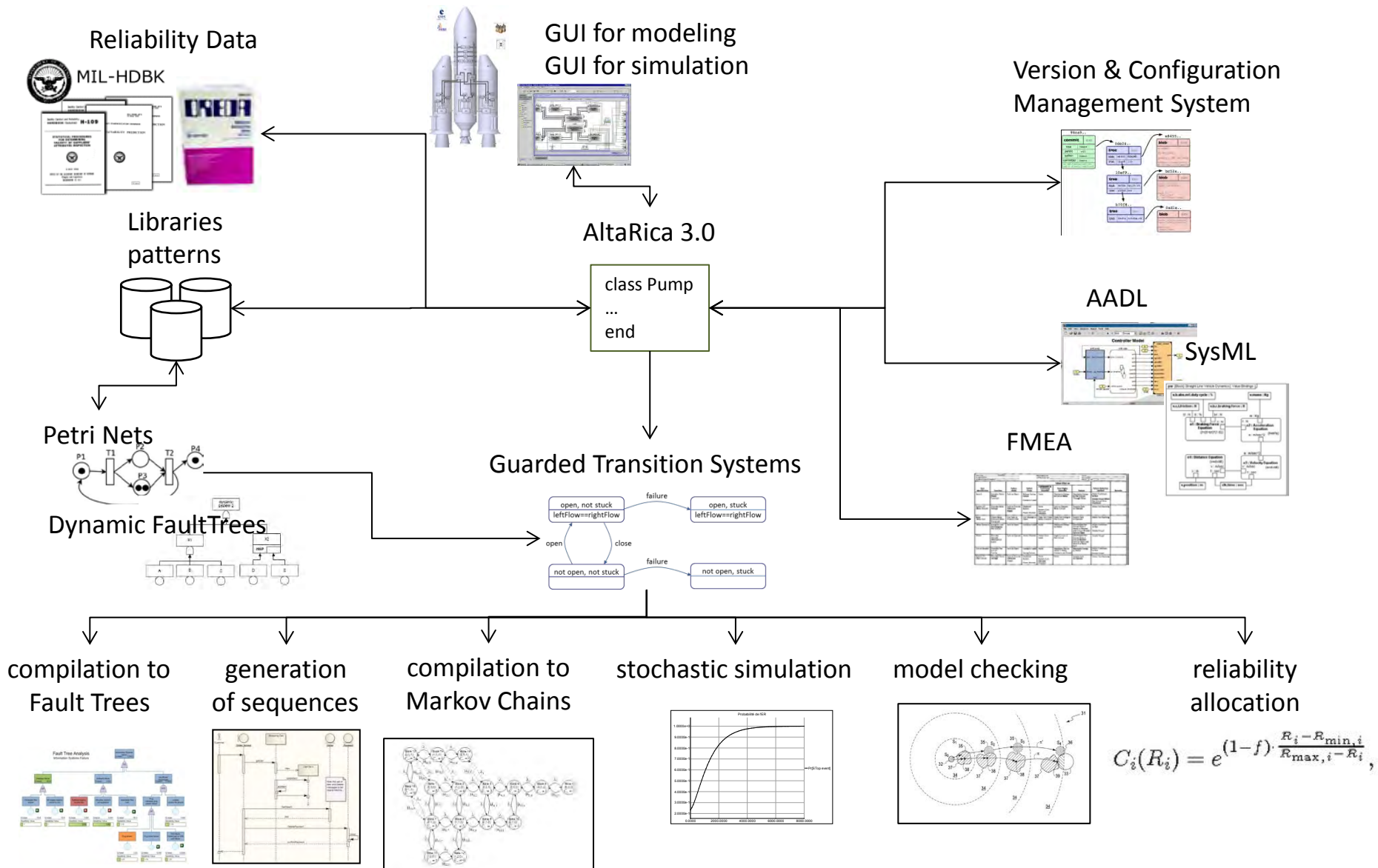
repair: s==FAILED -> s := STANDBY;

end

Well founded generalization of:

- Fault Trees, Blocks Diagrams
- Markov chains, Stochastic Petri Nets

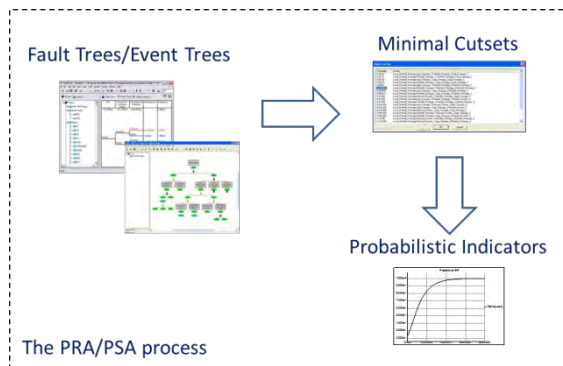
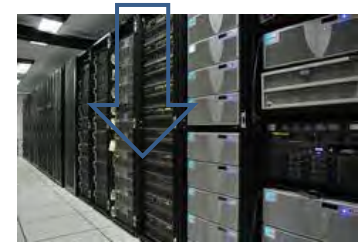
The AltaRica 3.0 Project



Performances Assessment

Issues:

- The **business model** of industry is moving from **selling products** to **selling capacities**
- Companies have to take **commitments** and to do so to **assess performances** of systems in presence of hazards.



PRA languages and tools are well suited to **assess capacities** (it mainly suffices to assess mathematical expectations rather than probabilities)