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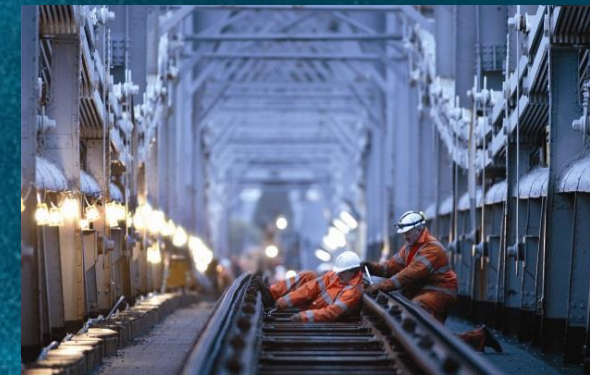


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# Next Generation Prediction Methodologies and Tools for System Safety Analysis

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## Next Generation of Prediction Methodologies and Tools for Safety System Analysis Review of the Current Methodologies

- Project Overview
- Current Approaches
  - Fault Tree Analysis
  - Event Tree Analysis
- Alternative Approaches
  - Binary Decision Diagrams
  - Petri Net models
  - Integration of the methods
- Case Study
- Summary /Conclusions



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# Project Overview



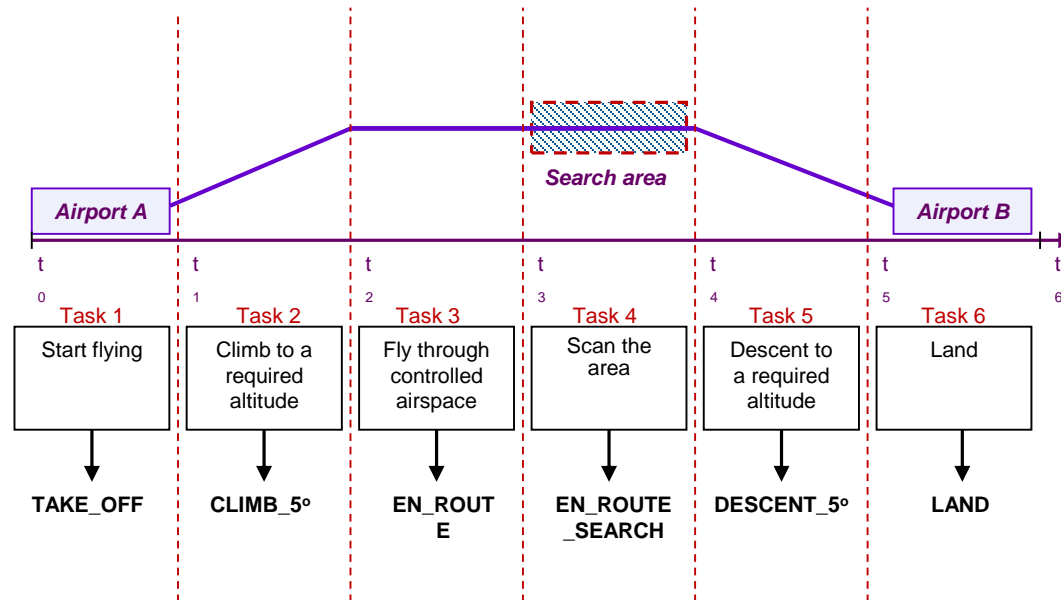
## Background

- Current Risk Assessment tools include: Fault Tree Analysis, Event tree Analysis
- The foundations of methodologies for safety critical systems were established in the 1960/70s.
  - Research has made considerable advances in the capabilities of analytical techniques since then.
  - Technology has advanced and system designs, their operating conditions and maintenance strategies are now significantly different to those of the 1970s.

## Objectives

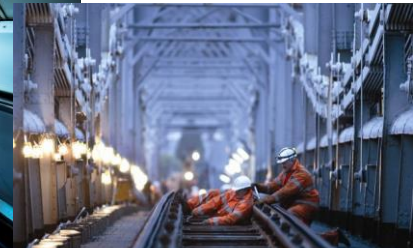
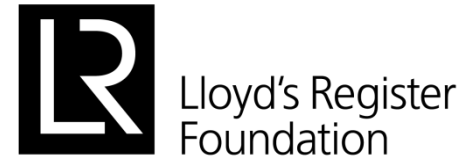
- This project challenge - develop a single, generic methodology appropriate to meet the demands of modern industrial systems.
- Retain as much of the current methodology features as possible:
  - to reduce the learning curve for practitioners
  - increase the chances of acceptance.

- 4 phases
  - Phase 1 – extend the capabilities of Fault Tree & Event tree Analysis
  - Phase 2 – extend the capabilities of phased mission analysis
  - Phase 3 – add dynamic capabilities to the modelling
  - Phase 4 – integrate stochastic models of the system failures with discrete physical models (eg core damage events in nuclear reactors)





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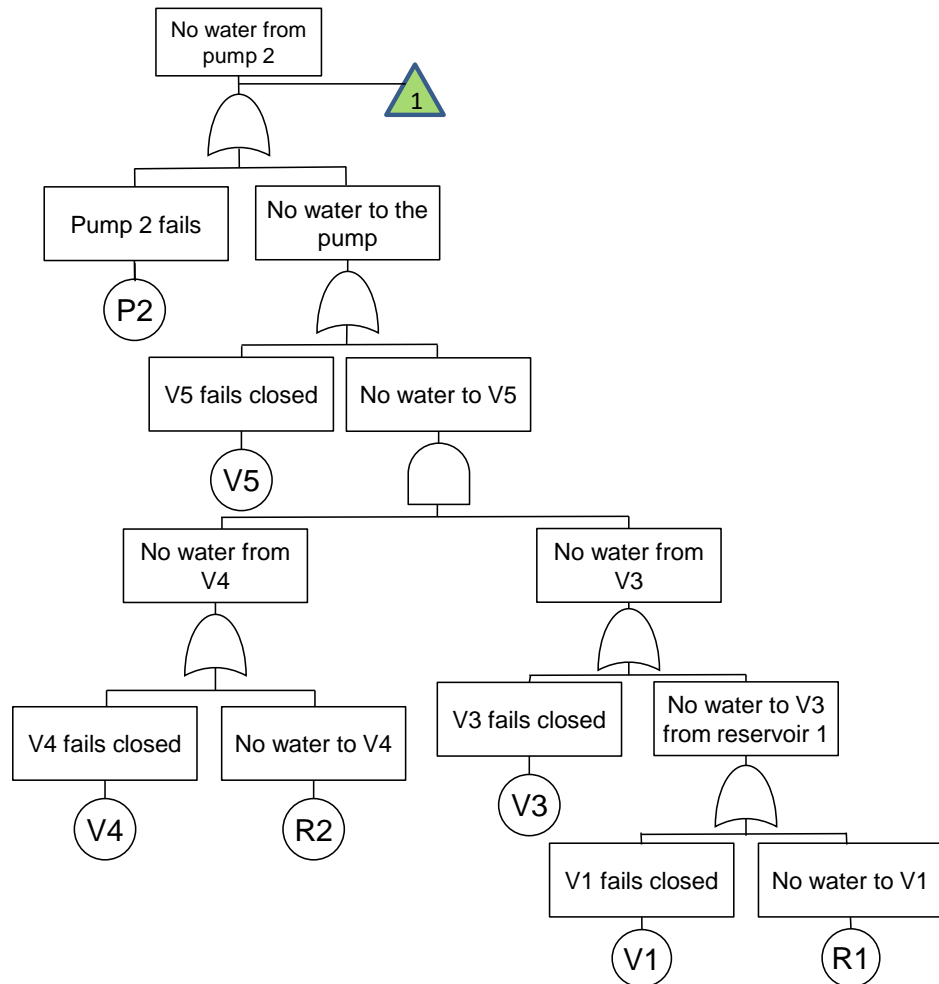
# Current Approaches

Event Tree Analysis / Fault Tree Analysis

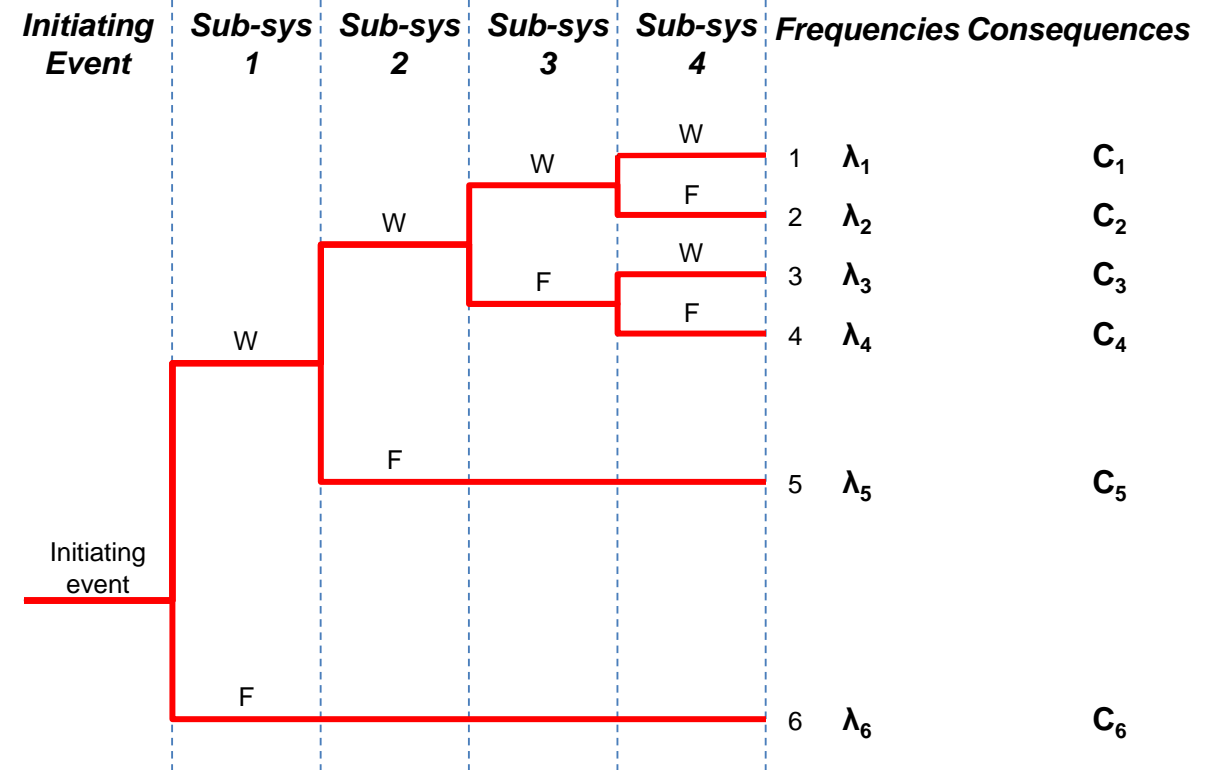


## Integrated Fault Tree Analysis / Event Tree Analysis Approach

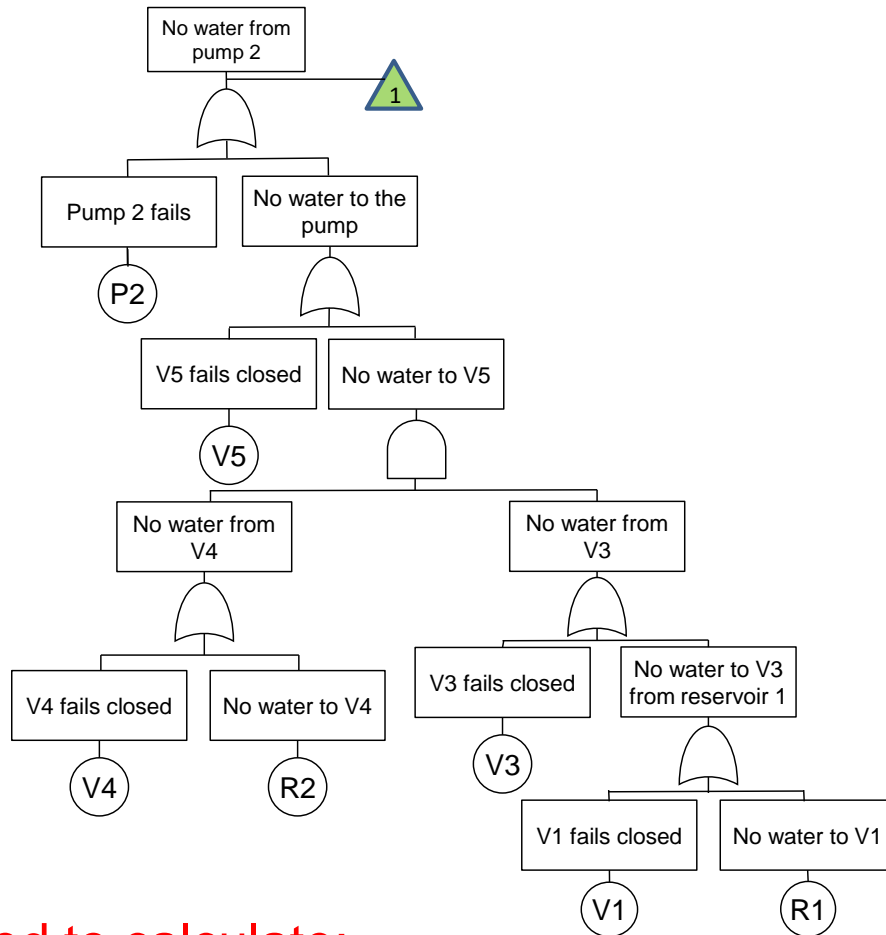
### Fault Tree Analysis



### Event Tree Analysis



$$Risk = \sum_{i=1}^6 \lambda_i C_i$$



## Used to calculate:

- Frequency of the initiating event
- Unavailability of enablers (responding safety systems)

## Method Assumptions / Limitations

- Component failures are independent
- Constant failure rates

## Component failure models

- Limited maintenance process detail

- No Repair:  $Q(t) = F(t) = 1 - e^{-\lambda t}$

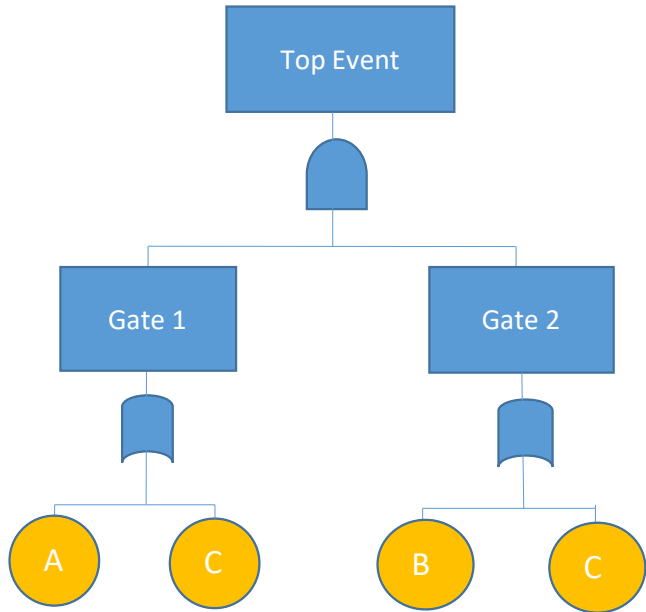
- Revealed:  $Q(t) = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \nu} (1 - e^{-(\lambda + \nu)t})$

- Unrevealed:  $Q_{AV} = \lambda \left( \frac{\theta}{2} + \tau \right)$

## PROJECT AIMS

- Incorporate non-constant failure rates
- Incorporate dependent events
- Incorporate highly complex maintenance strategies

# Fault Tree Analysis – Top Event Probability



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

+ OR  
. AND

Minimal Cut Sets: {A, B}, {C}

Exact

$$Q_{SYS} = q_A q_B + q_C - q_A q_B q_C$$

Approximate

$$Q_{SYS} \leq 1 - (1 - q_A q_B)(1 - q_C)$$

Inclusion – exclusion expansion

$$Q_{SYS} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_C} P(C_i) - \sum_{i=2}^{N_C} \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} P(C_i \cap C_j) + \sum_{i=3}^{N_C} \sum_{j=2}^{i-1} \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} P(C_i \cap C_j \cap C_k) - \dots$$

$$\dots + (-1)^{N_C+1} P(C_1 \cap C_2 \dots \cap C_{N_C})$$

Minimal Cut Set Upper Bound

$$Q_{SYS} \leq 1 - \prod_{i=1}^{N_C} (1 - P(C_i))$$

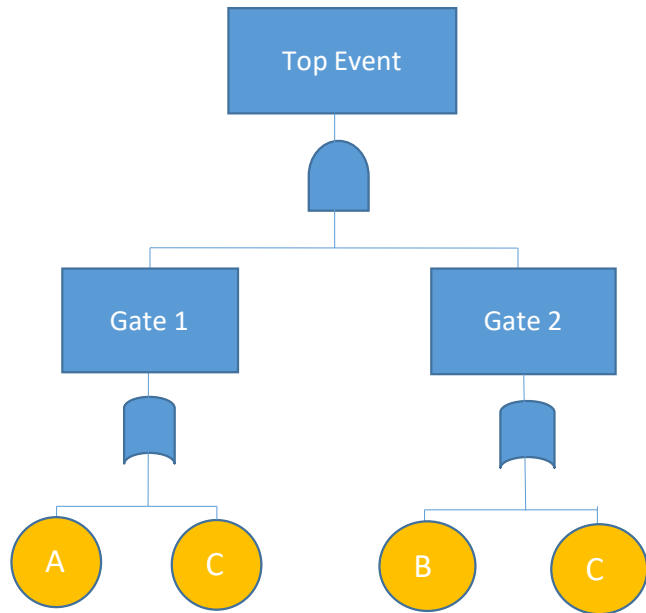


**Initiating Events:** perturb system variables and place a demand on control / protection systems to respond

**Enabling Events:** are inactive control / protection systems which permit an initiating event to cause the top event

**Critical System States:** A critical state for a component  $i$ , is a state of the other components in the system such that the failure of component  $i$  causes the system to pass from the functioning to the failed state.

# Fault Tree Analysis – failure intensity



Initiating events A, C

$$Q_{SYS} = q_A q_B + q_C - q_A q_B q_C$$

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

+ OR  
. AND

Minimal Cut Sets: {A, B}, {C}

Criticality Function for the initiators:

$$G_i(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{\partial Q_{SYS}}{\partial q_i}$$

$$G_A(\mathbf{q}) = q_B - q_B q_C = q_B(1 - q_C)$$

$$G_C(\mathbf{q}) = 1 - q_A q_B$$

$$w_{SYS}(t) = \sum_i G_i(\mathbf{q}) \cdot w_i(t)$$

*initiators*



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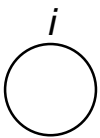
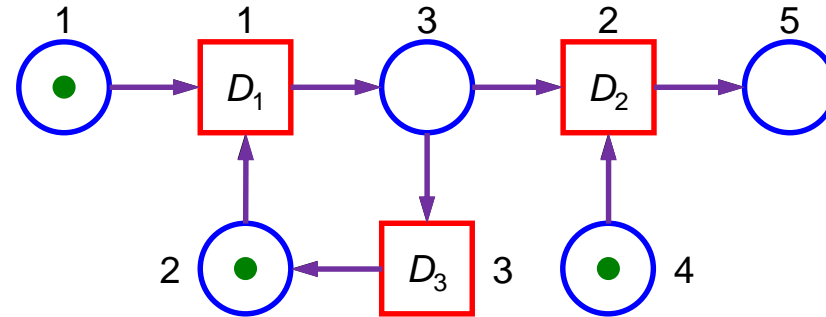
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# Alternative Methodologies

Binary Decision Diagrams / Petri Nets / Markov Methods

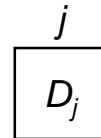


# Petri Net Basics and Definitions



Places,  $p_i$

- Marked with tokens



Transitions,  $t_j$

- Time delay  $D_j$  determines token movement.
- Type:
  - immediate if  $D_j = 0$
  - timed if  $D_j \neq 0$



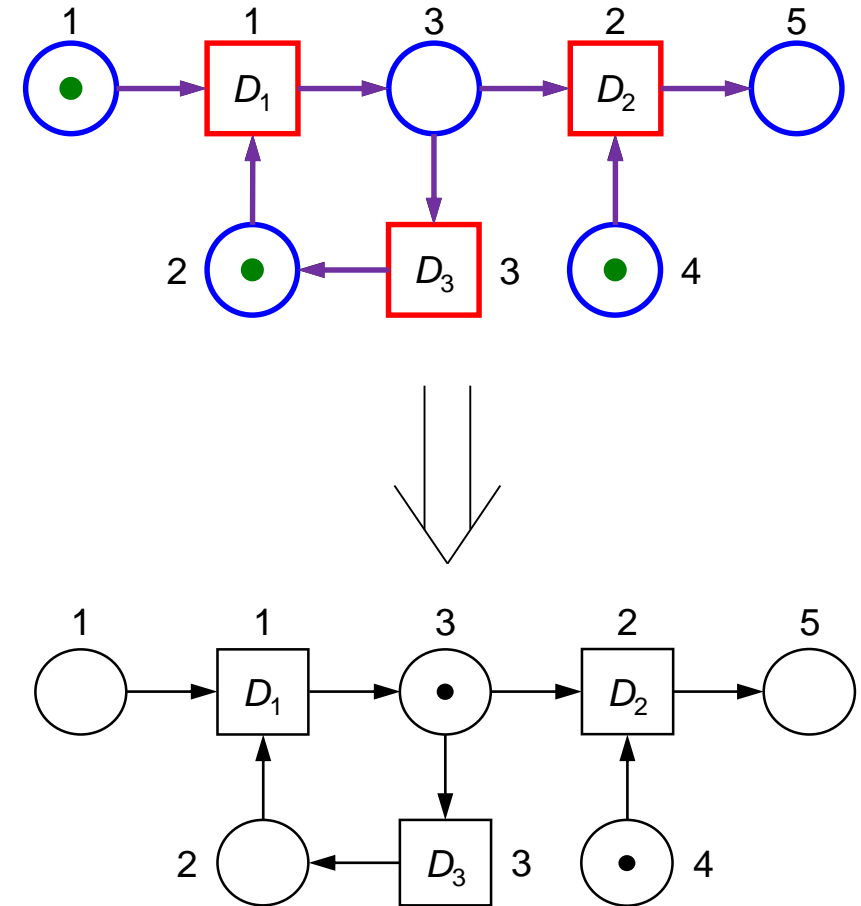
Edges

- From place to transition or transition to place.

- Movement of tokens governed by the firing rule...



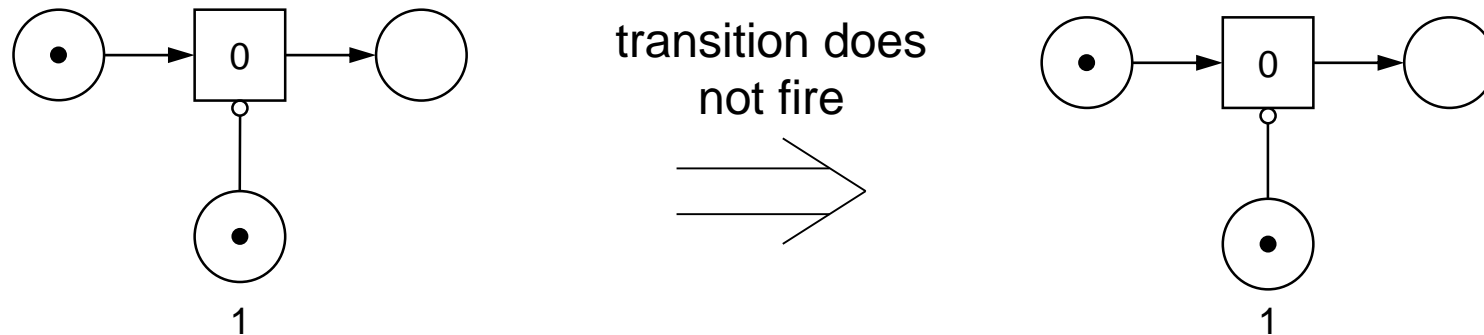
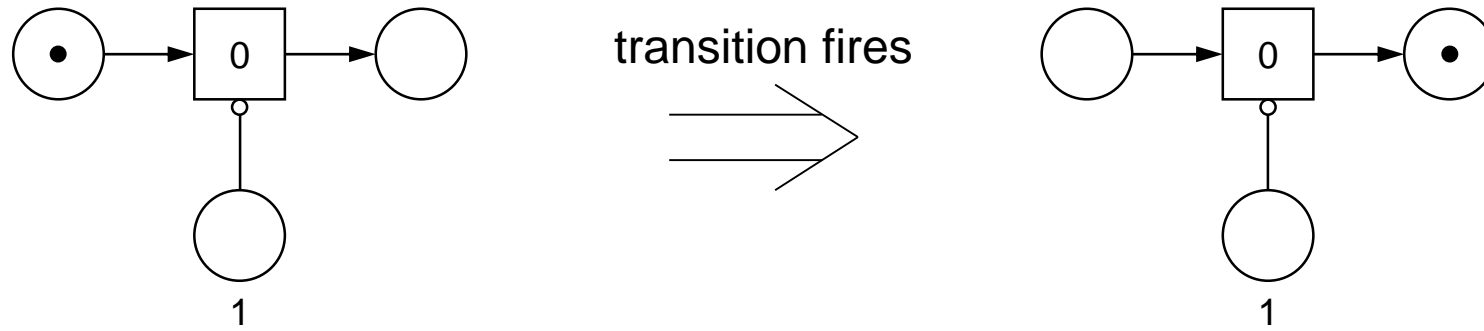
- If all input places of a transition are marked by at least one token then this transition is called **enabled**.
- After a delay  $D \geq 0$  the transition **fires**. The firing removes one token from each of its input places and adds one token to each of its output places.





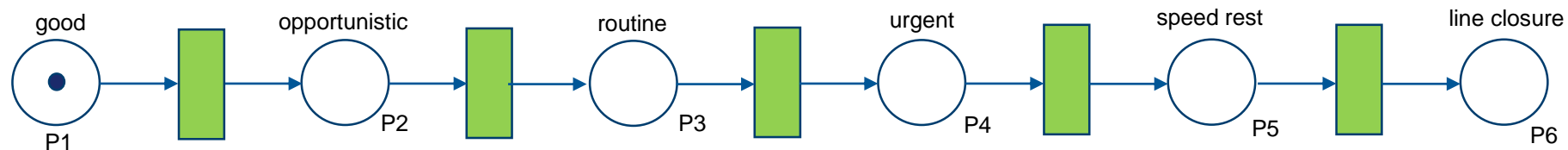
# Inhibit Edges

- Blocks a stream when the place it comes from is marked.

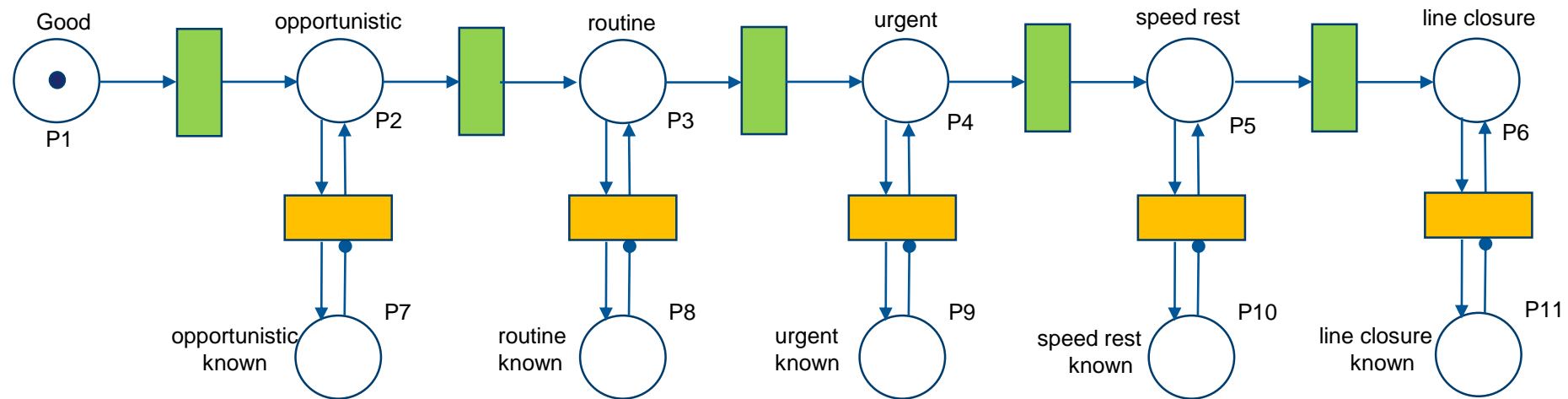




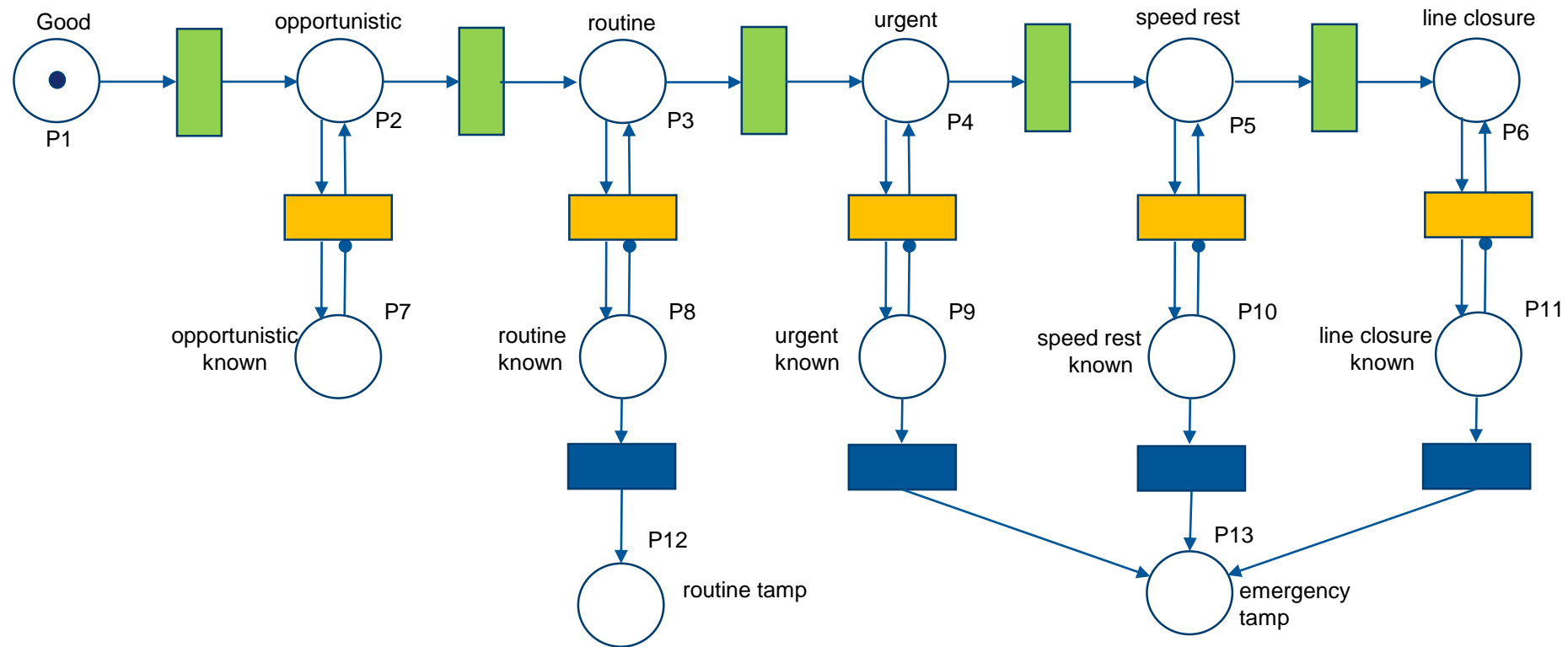
# Example from the Railway Derailment Fault Tree



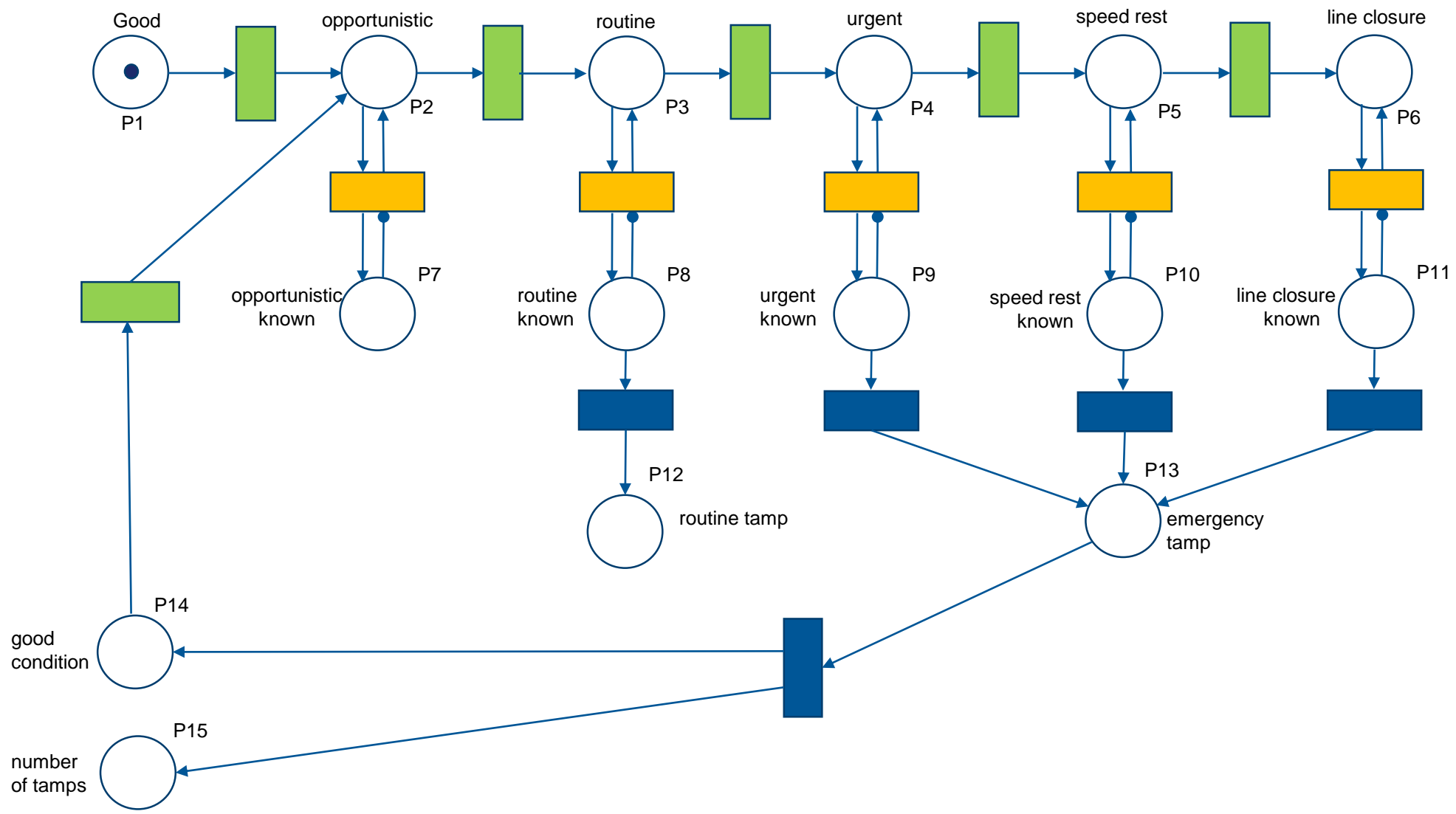
**Degradation**



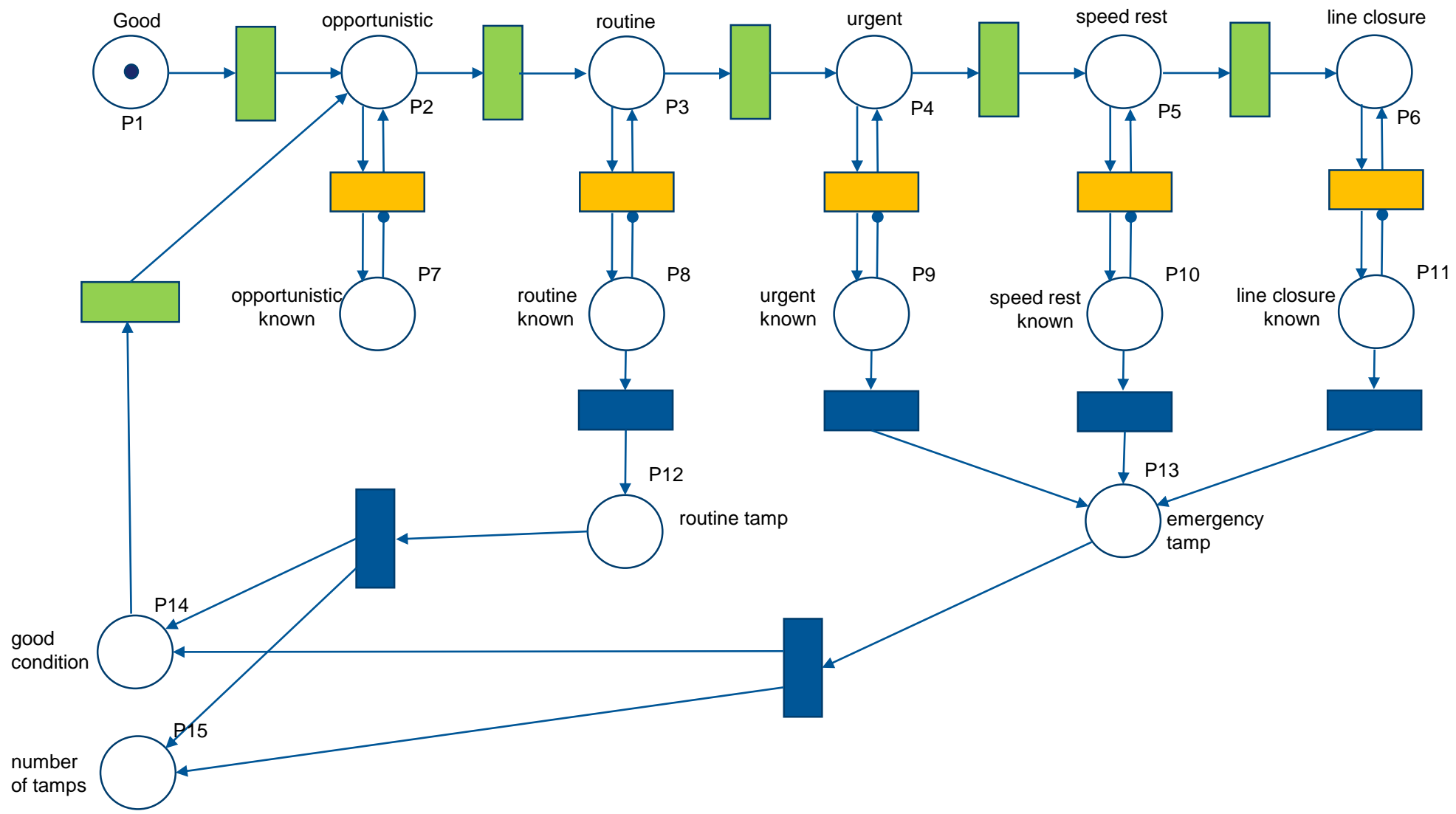
Inspection



**Repair Options**



**Emergency Repair**



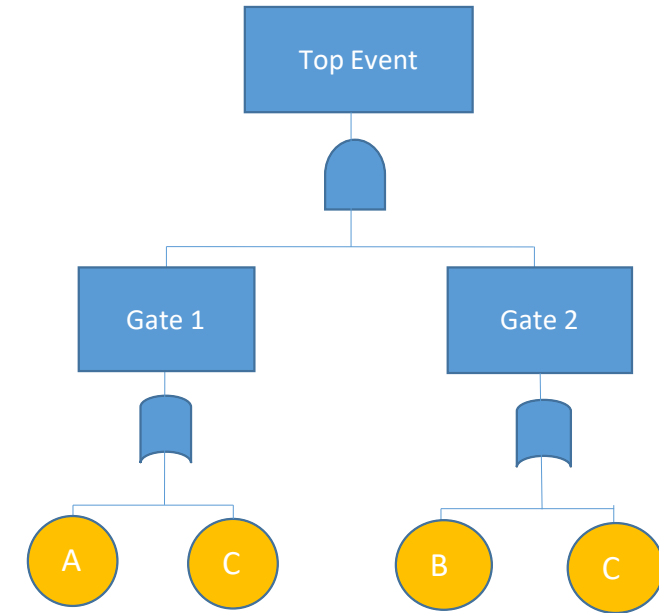
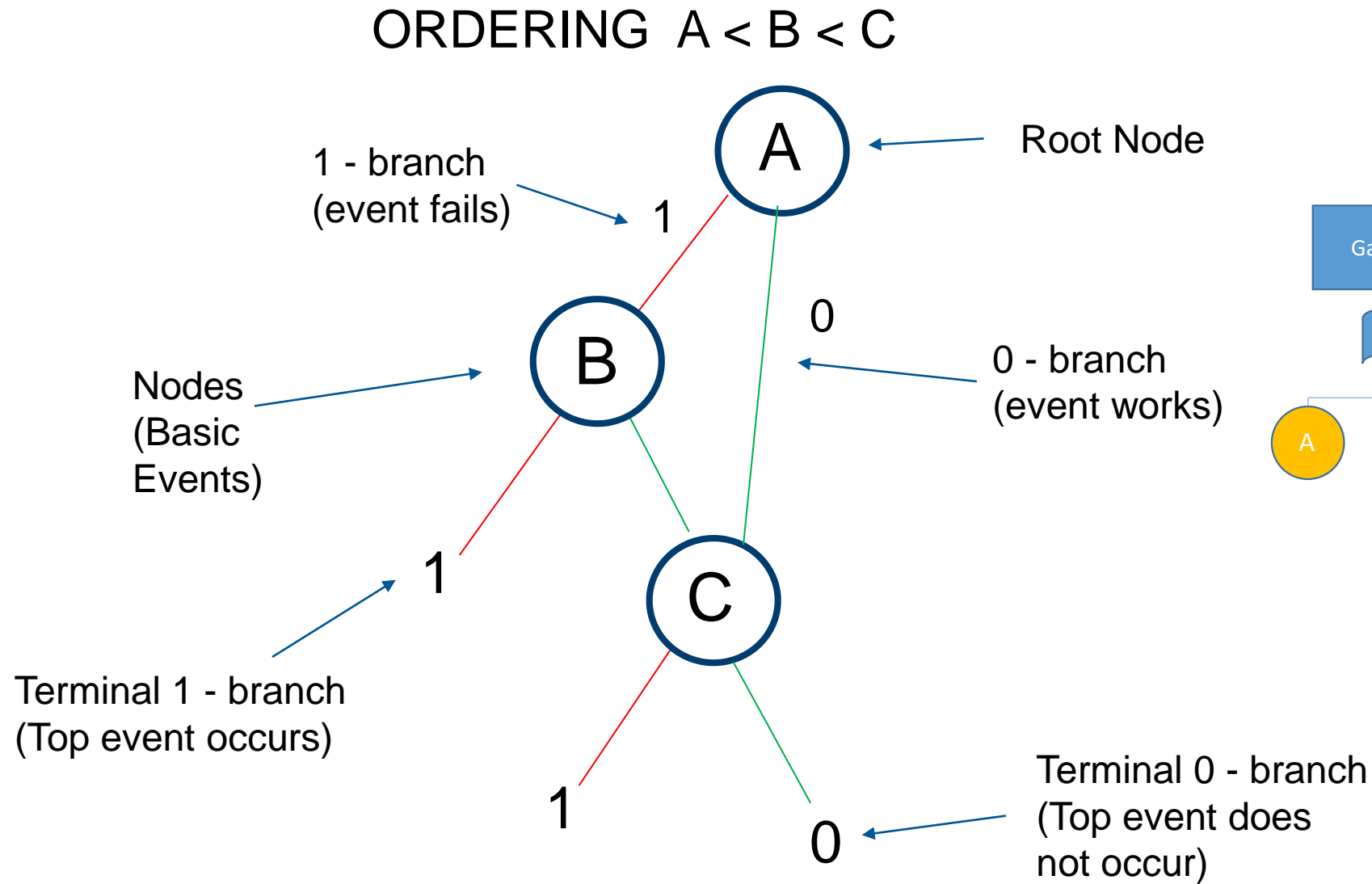
**Routine Repair**



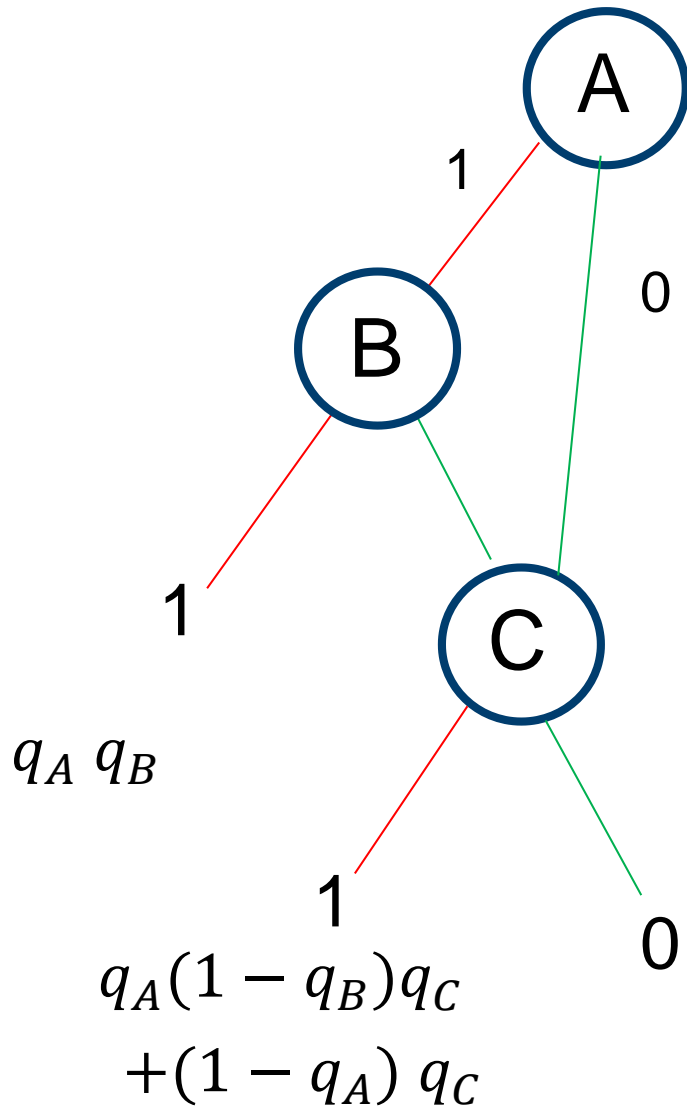
# Model results – Asset Condition Performance

Condition	Condition Known?	Min Value	Average Value	Max Value	Comment
Good		92.66%	95.2%	97.31%	
Opportunistic		0.27%	0.42%	0.59%	
Routine		2.58%	3.11%	5.72%	
Urgent		1.12%	1.16%	1.18%	
Speed Restriction needed	Known	0.0%	0.005 %	0.018 %	
	Unknown	0.0%	0.043 %	0.056 %	Potential safety issue
Line Closure needed	Known	0.0%	0.005 %	0.018 %	
	Unknown	0.0%	0.057 %	0.07 %	Potential safety issue

# Binary Decision Diagrams – Top Event Probability







$$TOP = A.B + A.\bar{B}.C + \bar{A}.C \quad \begin{array}{l} + \text{ OR} \\ \cdot \text{ AND} \end{array}$$

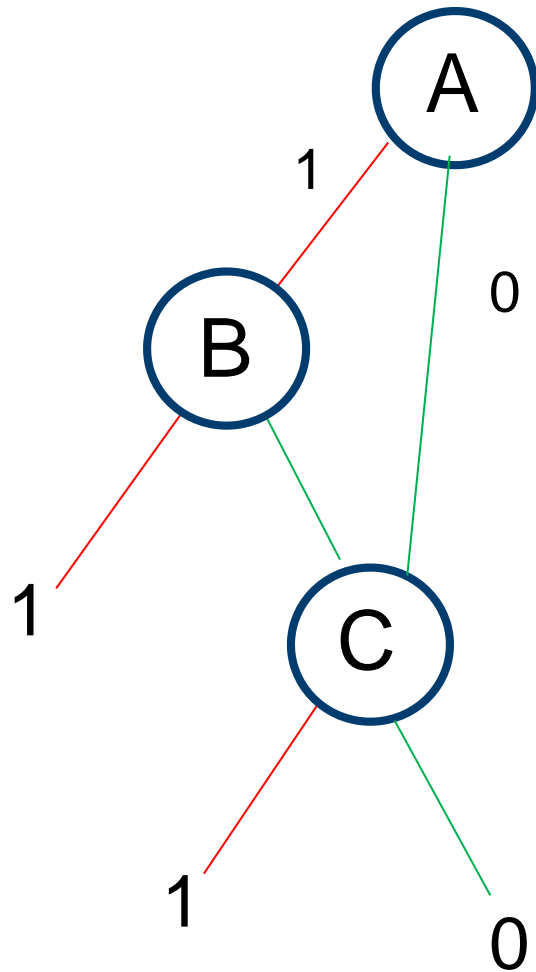


$$Q_{SYS} = q_A q_B + q_A(1 - q_B)q_C + (1 - q_A)q_C$$

$$= q_A q_B + q_C - q_A q_B q_C$$

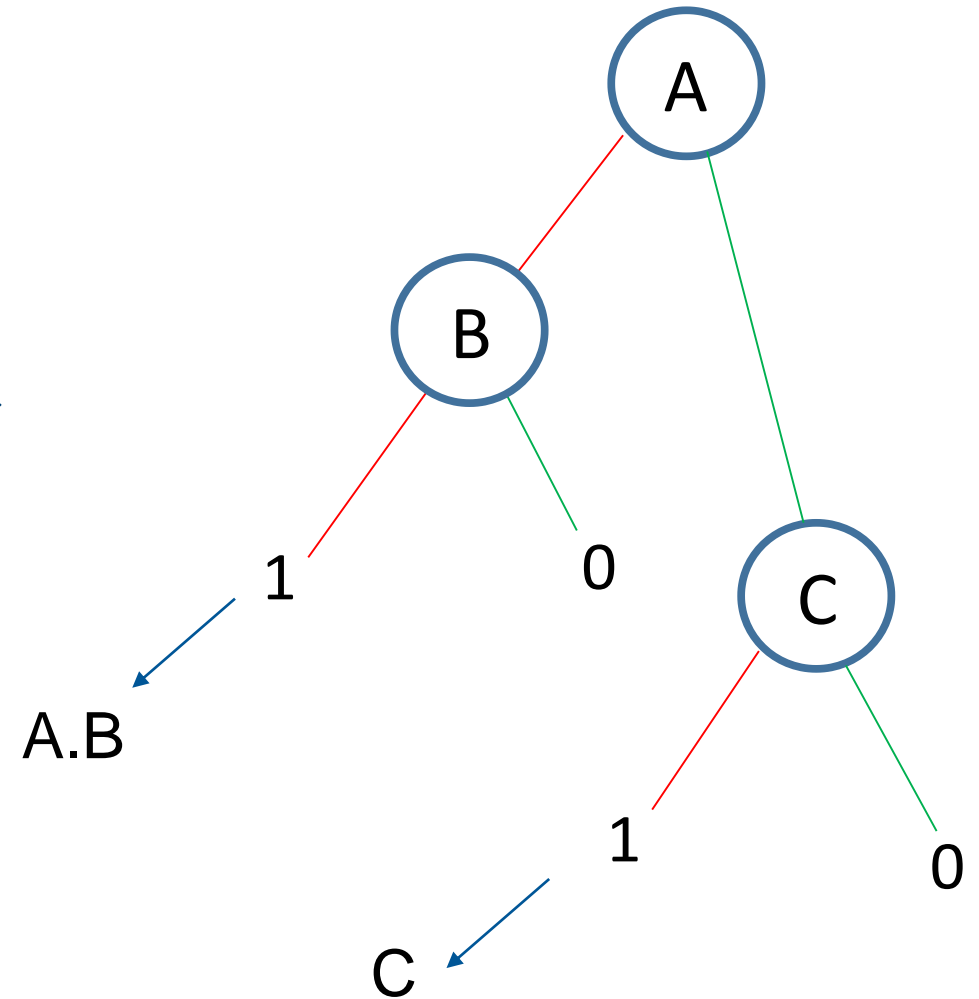
- Exact
- Fast - Efficient – no need to get Min cut sets

Encodes Shannon's formula



Minimisation process

Encodes Minimal Cut Sets



$$w_{SYS}(t) = \sum_{\substack{i \\ \text{initiators}}} G_i(\mathbf{q}) \cdot w_i(t)$$

The Criticality Function,  $G_i(\mathbf{q})$ , is the probability that the system is in a critical state for component  $i$  such that the failure of component  $i$  causes system failure.

$w_i(t)$  is the failure intensity of component  $i$ .

$$G_i(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{\partial Q_{SYS}}{\partial q_i} = Q_{SYS}(1_i, \mathbf{q}) - Q_{SYS}(0_i, \mathbf{q})$$

$Q_{SYS}(1_i, \mathbf{q})$     probability that the system fails with component  $i$  failed

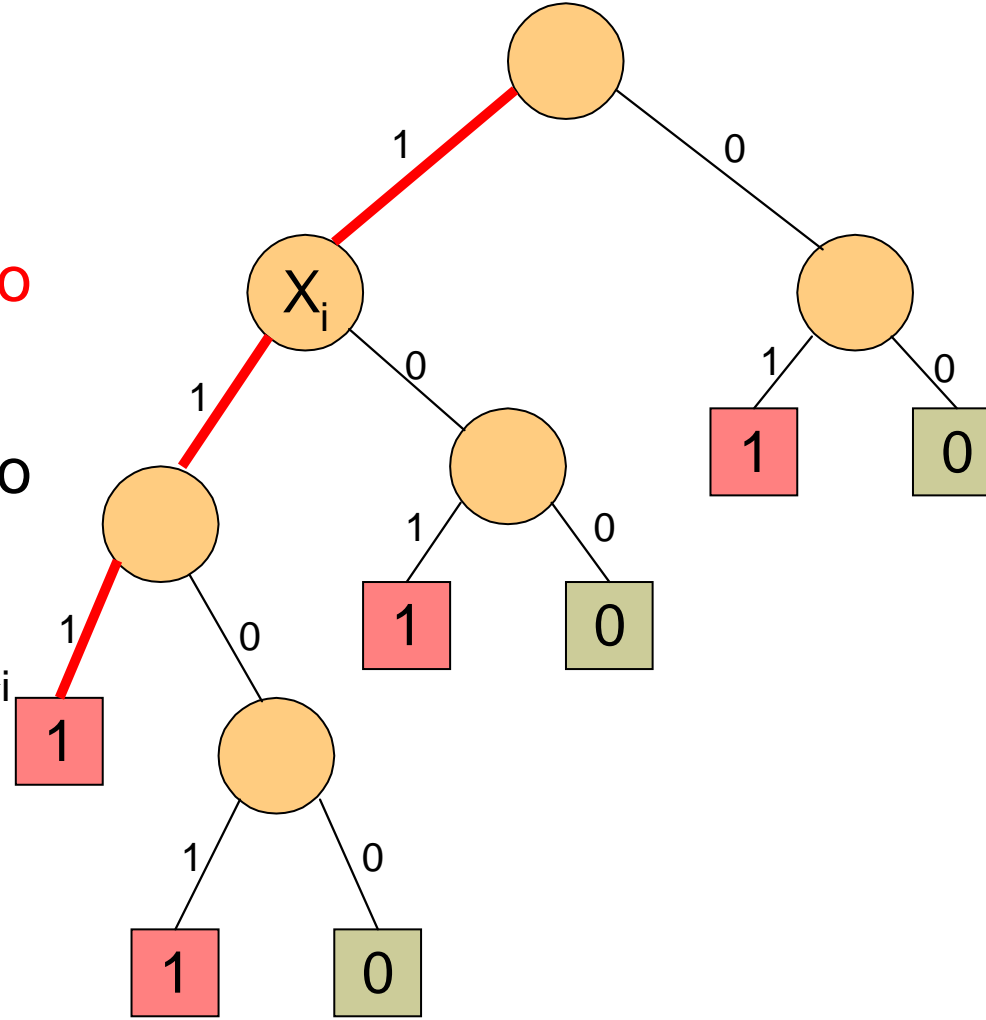
$Q_{SYS}(0_i, \mathbf{q})$     probability that the system fails with component  $i$  working

**Note: the Criticality Function is also known as Birnbaum's Measure of importance**

## Criticality for $X_i$

Three Options:

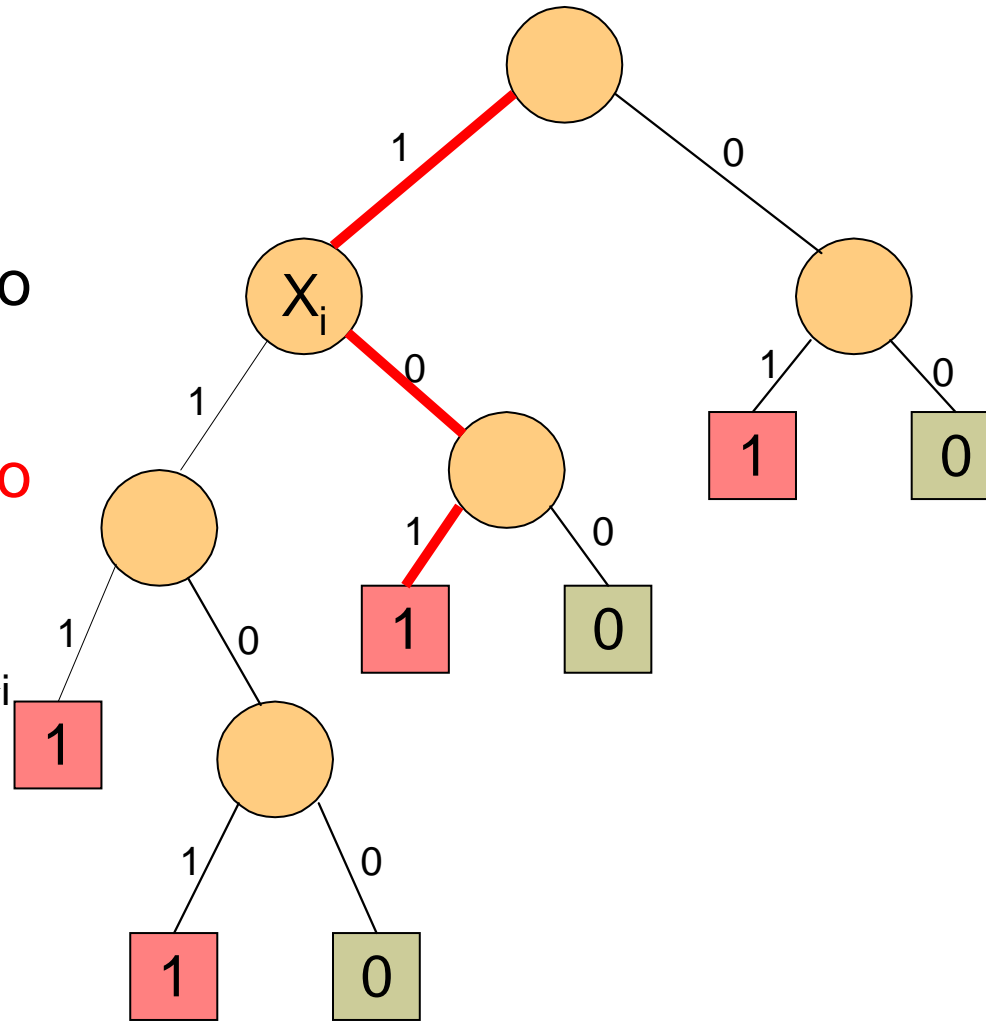
1. paths through  $X_i$  on its 1-branch to a terminal-1
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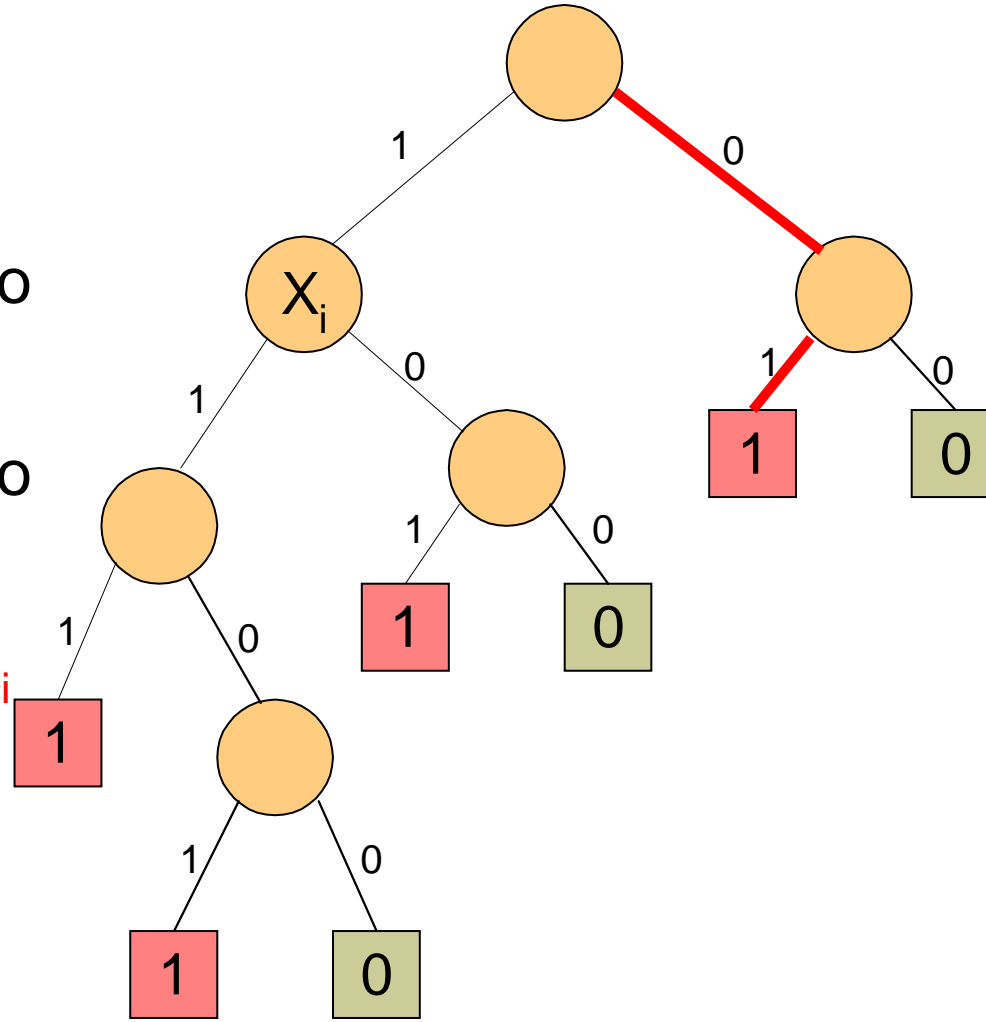
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# Criticality Function

$$Q(1_i, \underline{q}) = \sum_{i=1}^n (pr_{x_i}(\underline{q}) \cdot po_{x_i}^1(\underline{q})) + Z(\underline{q})$$

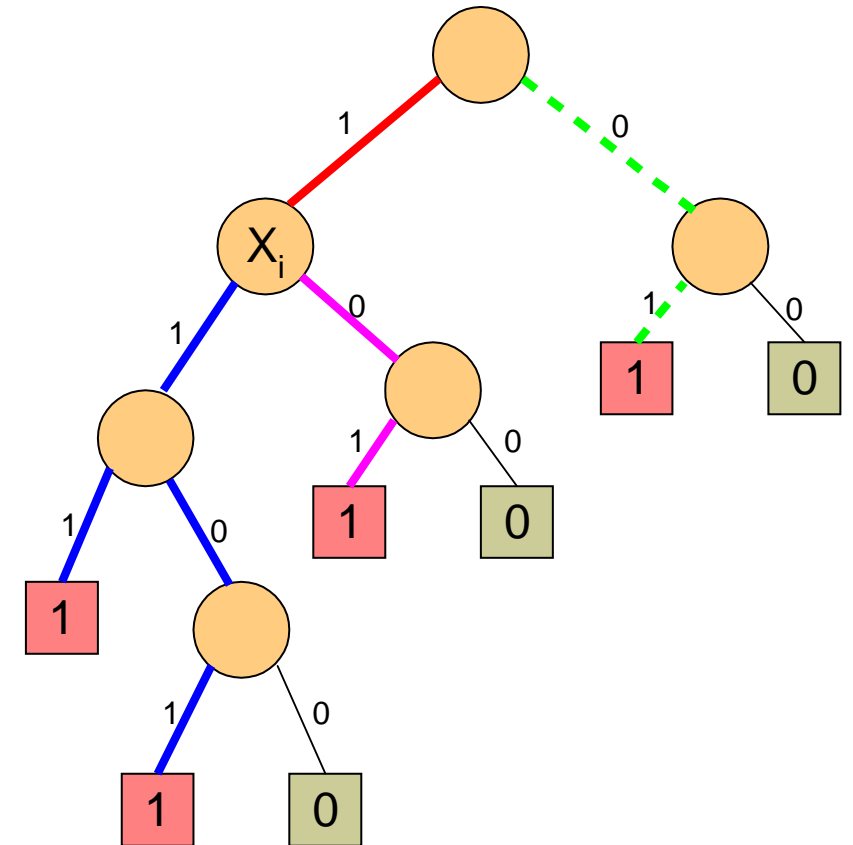
$$Q(0_i, \underline{q}) = \sum_{i=1}^n (pr_{x_i}(\underline{q}) \cdot po_{x_i}^0(\underline{q})) + Z(\underline{q})$$

$pr_{x_i}(\underline{q})$  is the probability of the path section from the root node to node  $x_i$ .

$po_{x_i}^1(\underline{q})$  is the probability of the path section from the 1 branch of node  $x_i$  to a terminal 1 node (excluding probability of  $x_i$ ).

$po_{x_i}^0(\underline{q})$  is the probability of the path section from the 0 branch of node  $x_i$  to a terminal 1 node (excluding probability of  $x_i$ ).

$Z(\underline{q})$  is the probability of the paths from the root node to the terminal 1 node not passing through the node for variable  $x_i$ .





# Criticality Function

$$G_i(\mathbf{q}) = Q_{SYS}(1_i, \mathbf{q}) - Q_{SYS}(0_i, \mathbf{q})$$

$$Q_{SYS}(1_i, \mathbf{q}) = \sum_{i=1}^n (pr_{xi}(\mathbf{q}) \cdot po_{xi}^1(\mathbf{q})) + Z(\mathbf{q})$$

$$Q_{SYS}(0_i, \mathbf{q}) = \sum_{i=1}^n (pr_{xi}(\mathbf{q}) \cdot po_{xi}^0(\mathbf{q})) + Z(\mathbf{q})$$

$$G_i(\mathbf{q}) = \sum_{i=1}^n pr_{xi}(\mathbf{q}) [po_{xi}^1(\mathbf{q}) - po_{xi}^0(\mathbf{q})]$$

$$w_{SYS}(t) = \sum_i G_i(\mathbf{q}) \cdot w_i(t)$$

*initiators*

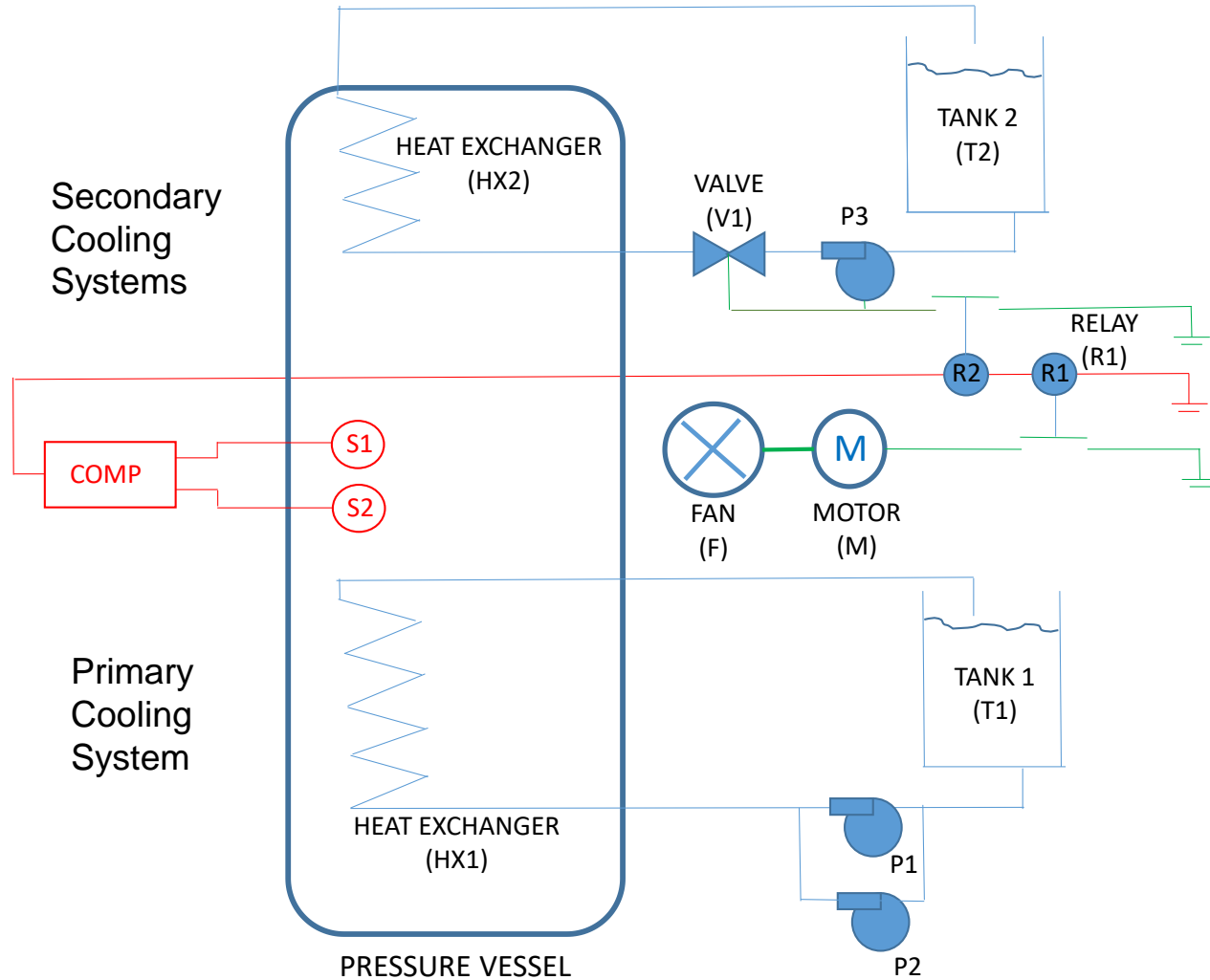




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# Case Study

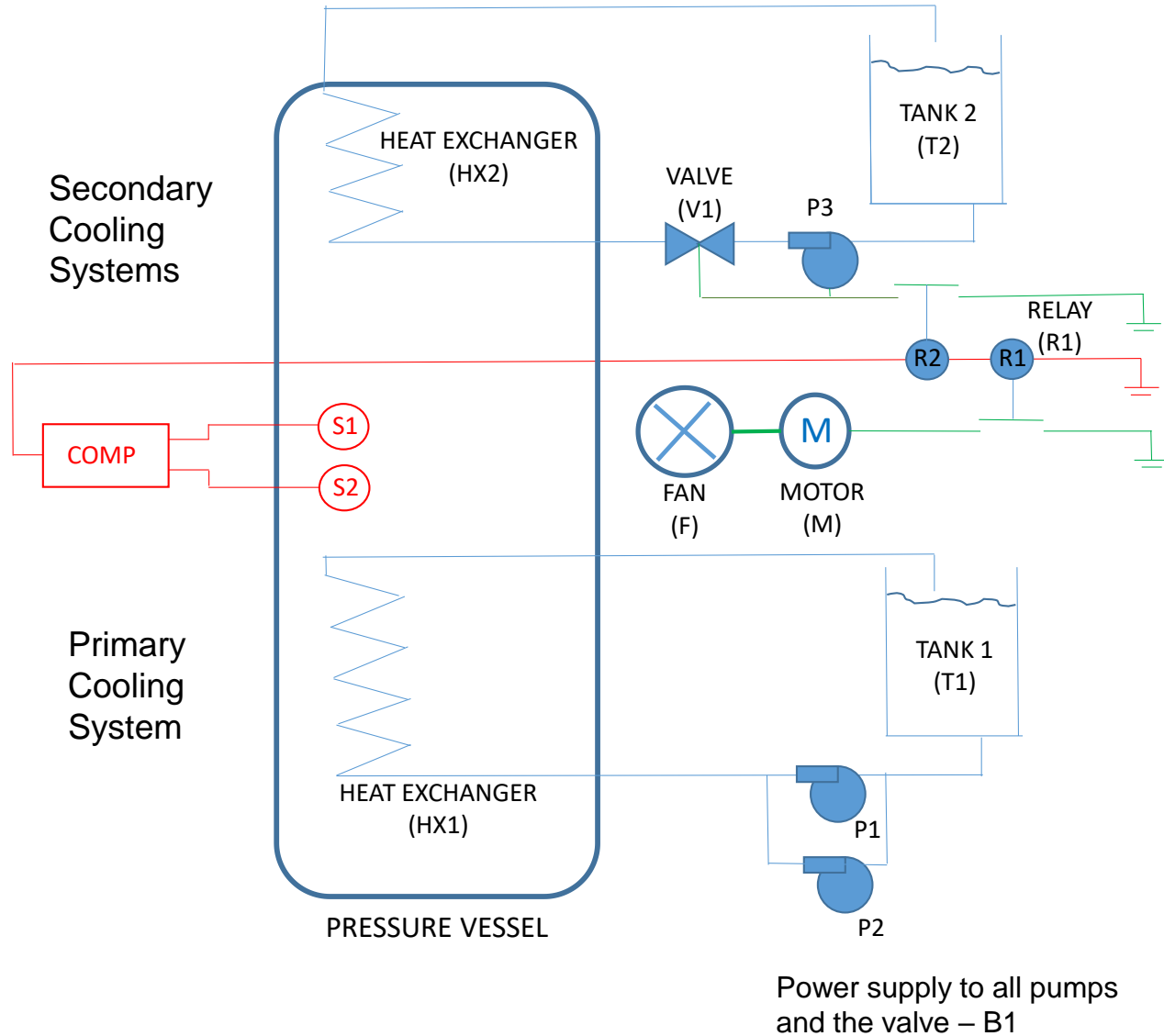


Power supply to all pumps and the valve – B1

## Sub-Systems

- **Primary Cooling Water System**
  - Tank (T1), Pumps (P1,P2), Heat Exchanger (Hx1), Power Supply (B1)
- **Detection System**
  - Sensors (S1,S2), Computer (Comp)
- **Secondary Cooling Water System**
  - Tank(T2), Pump (P3), Heat Exchanger (Hx2), Valve (V1), Relay (R2), Power Supply (B1)
- **Secondary Cooling Fan System**
  - Fan (F), Motor (M), Relay (R1)

# Plant Cooling System and Features

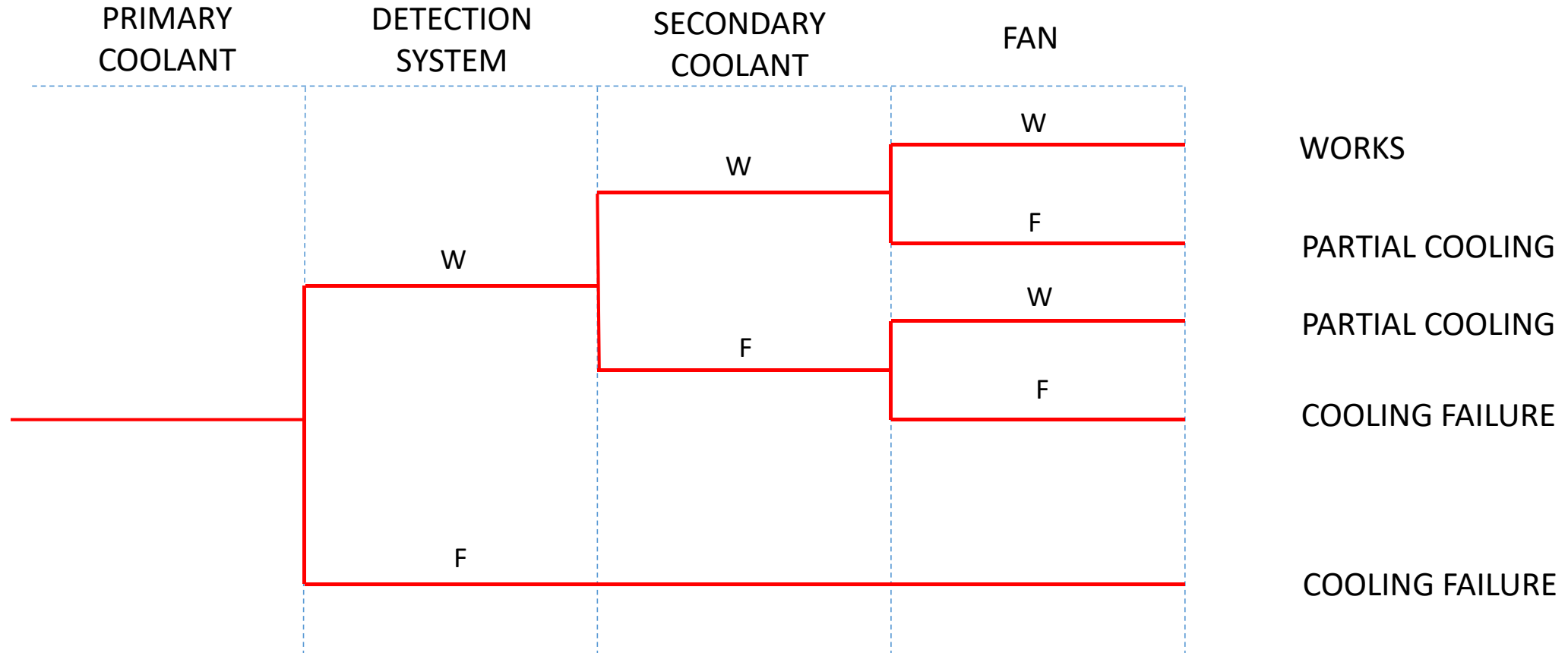


## Complex Features

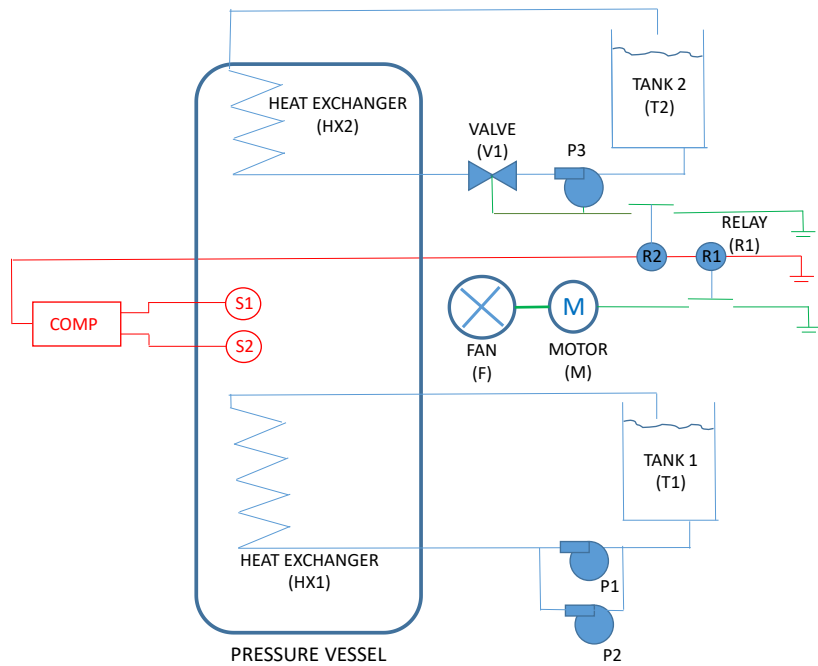
- **Non-constant failure / repair rates**
  - Relays R1 & R2 have a Weibull failure time distribution and a lognormal repair time distribution
- **Dependencies**
  - Pumps P1 & P2 – if one fails it puts increased load ( and increases the failure rate) of the other
  - Sensors, S1 and S2 have a common cause calibration failure
  - Tanks T1 and T2, when one fails both are replaced
- **Maintenance process**
  - The motor, M, has a condition monitoring system with different maintenance actions depending on the condition state.



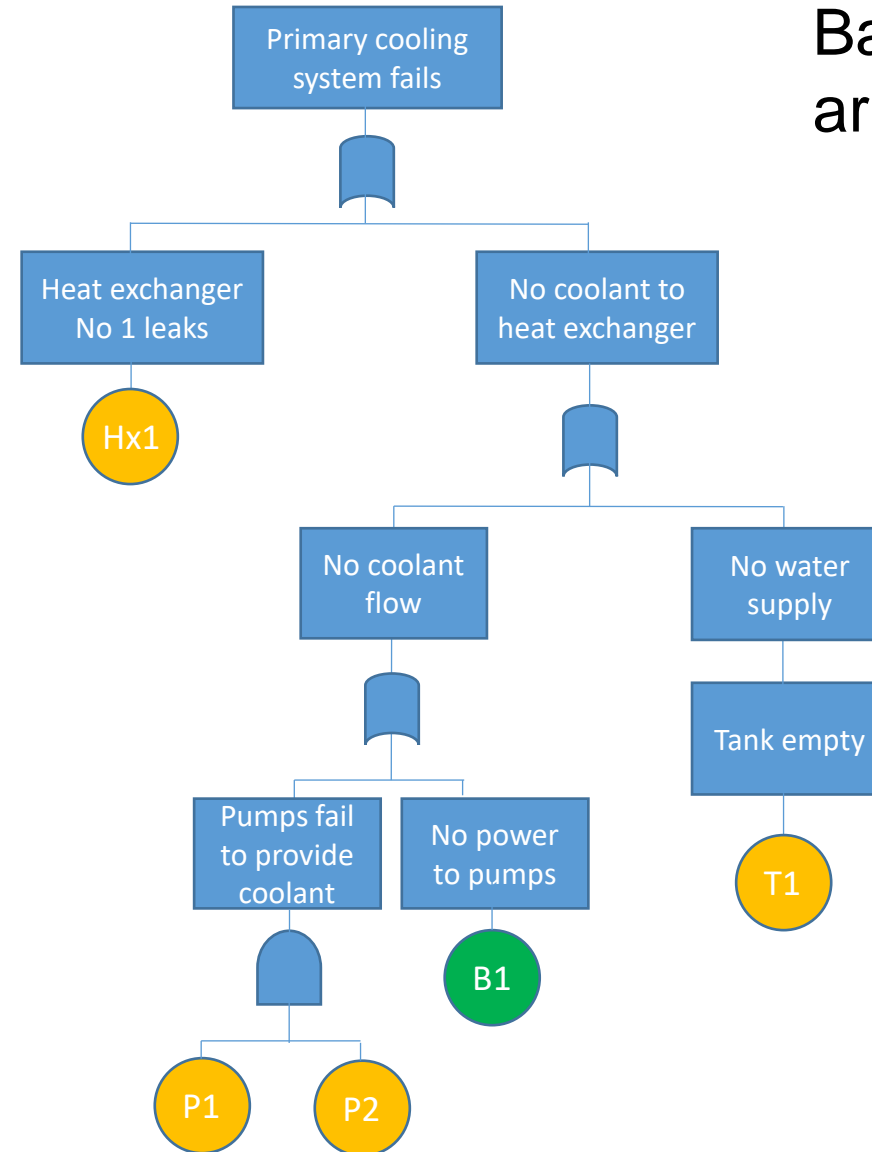
# Event Tree Analysis



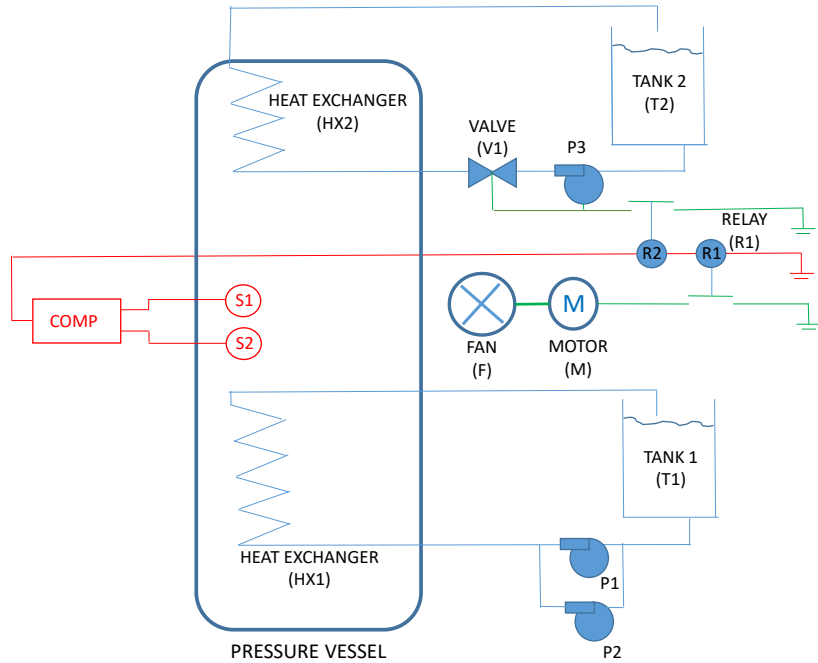
# Fault Tree – Primary Cooling Water System



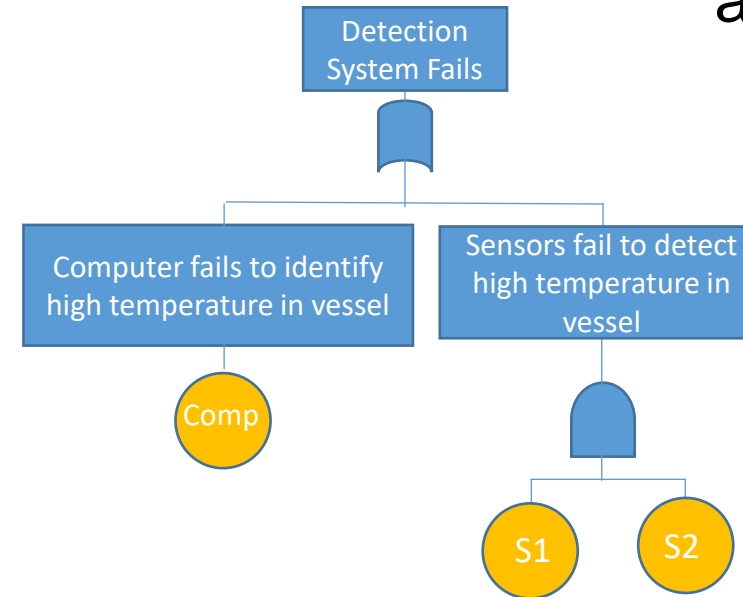
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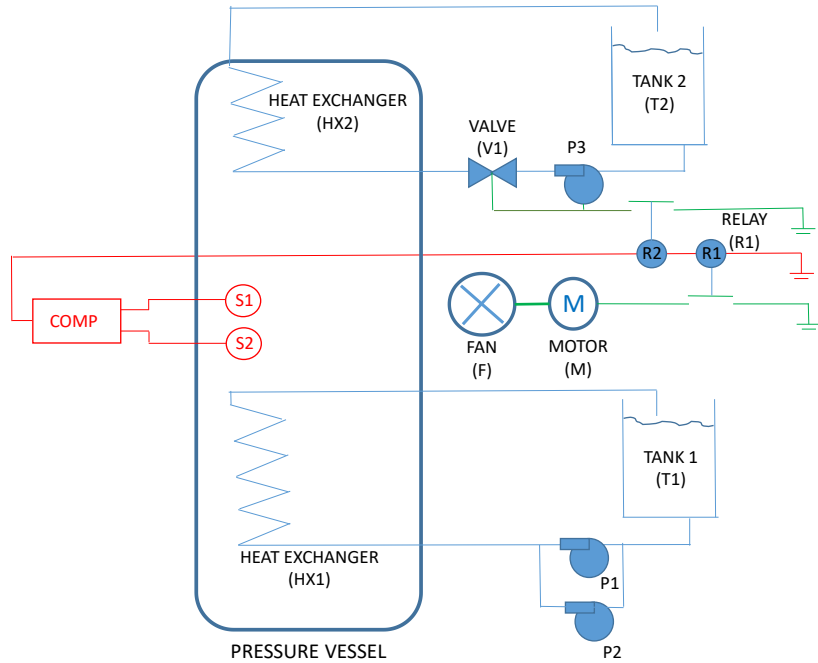
# Fault Tree – Detection System



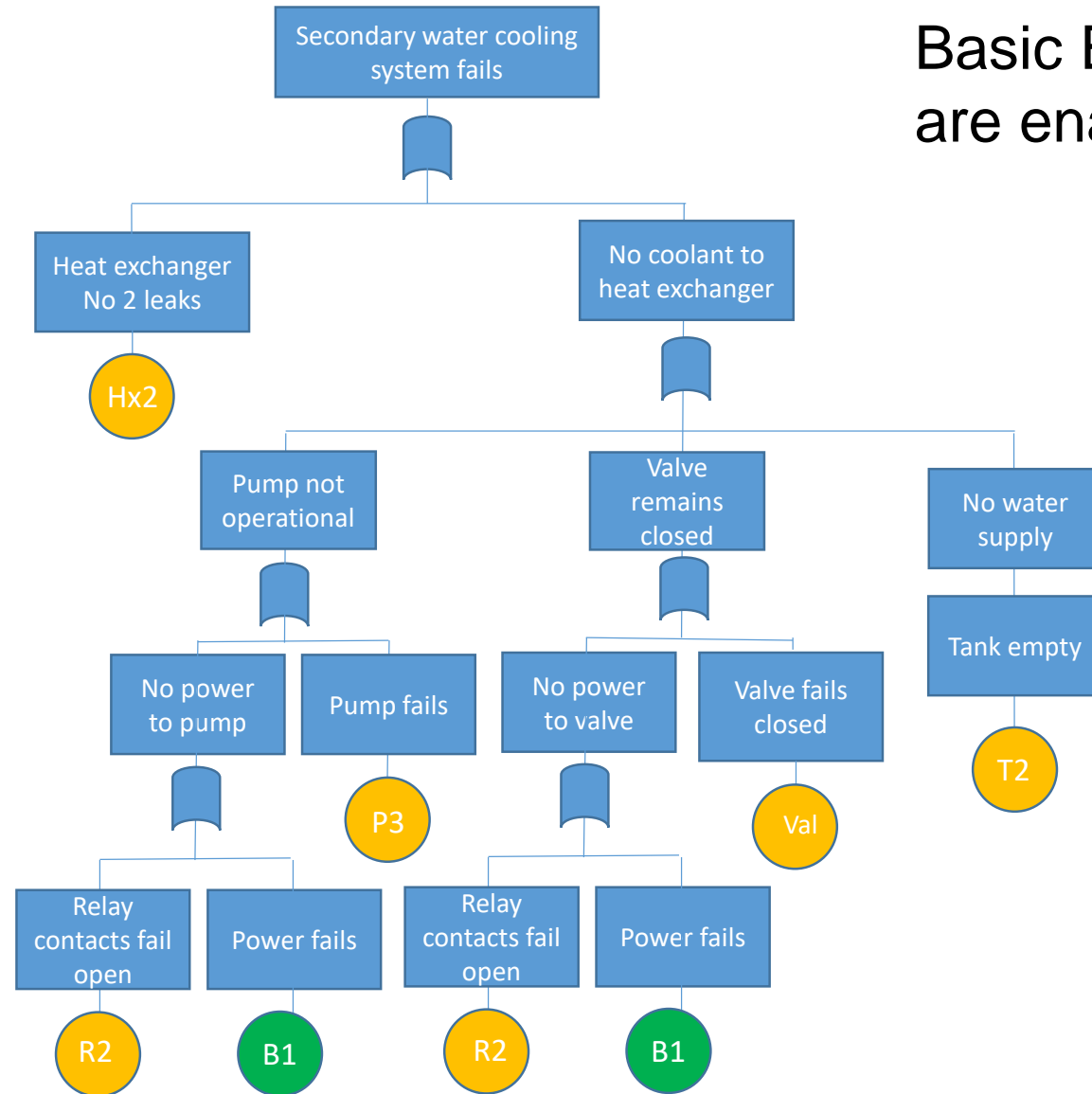
Basic Events are enablers



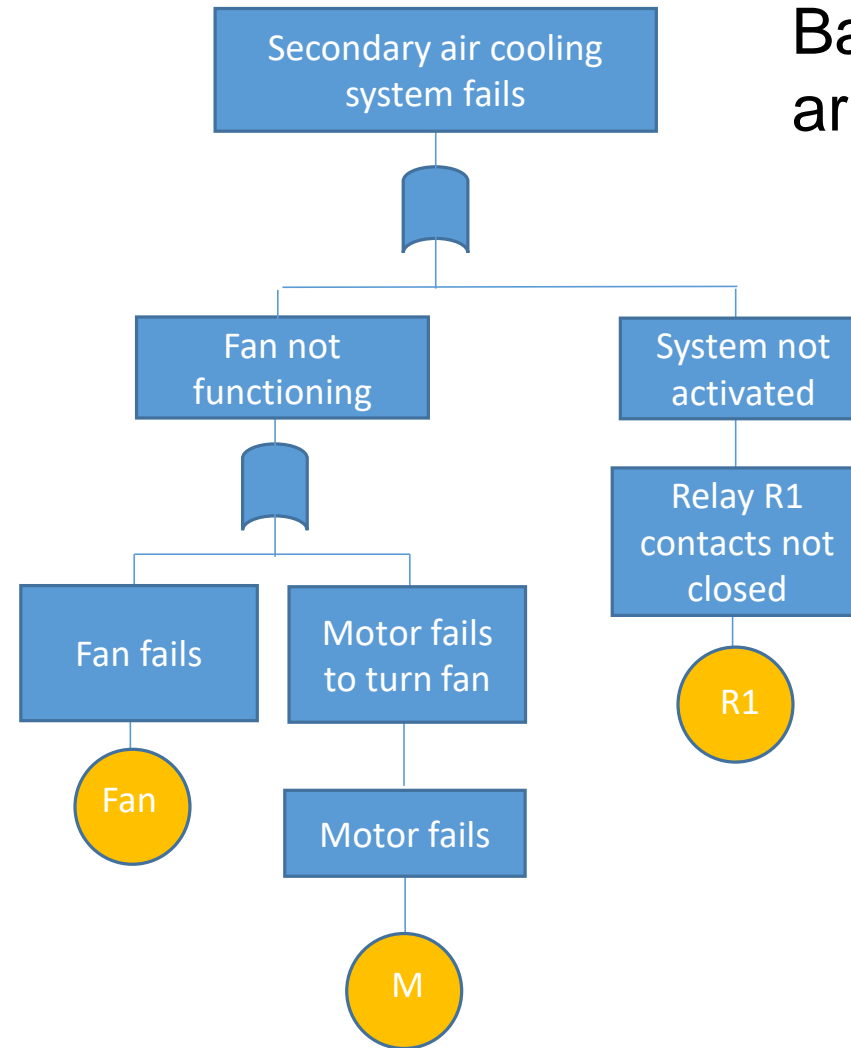
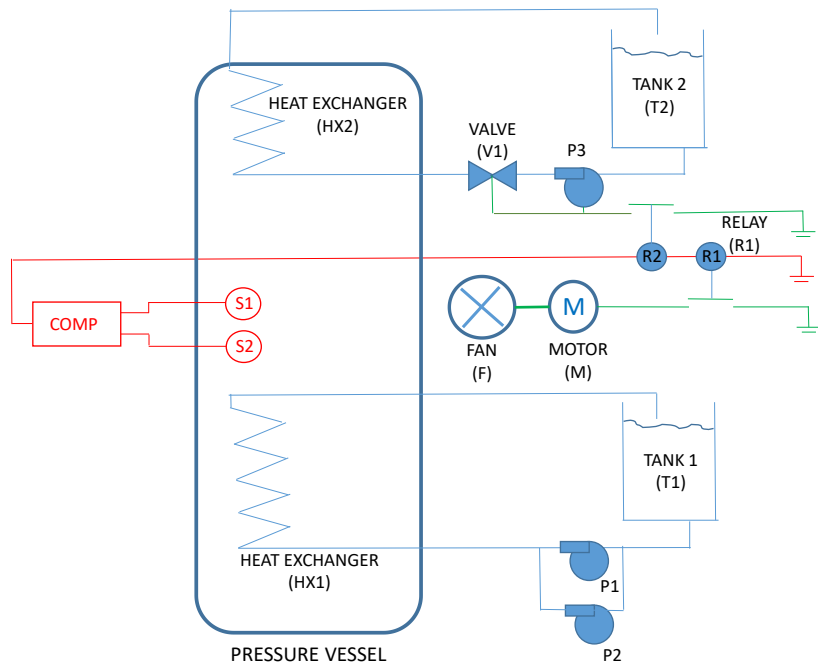
# Fault Tree – Secondary Cooling Water System



Basic Events are enablers



# Fault Tree – Fan Cooling System

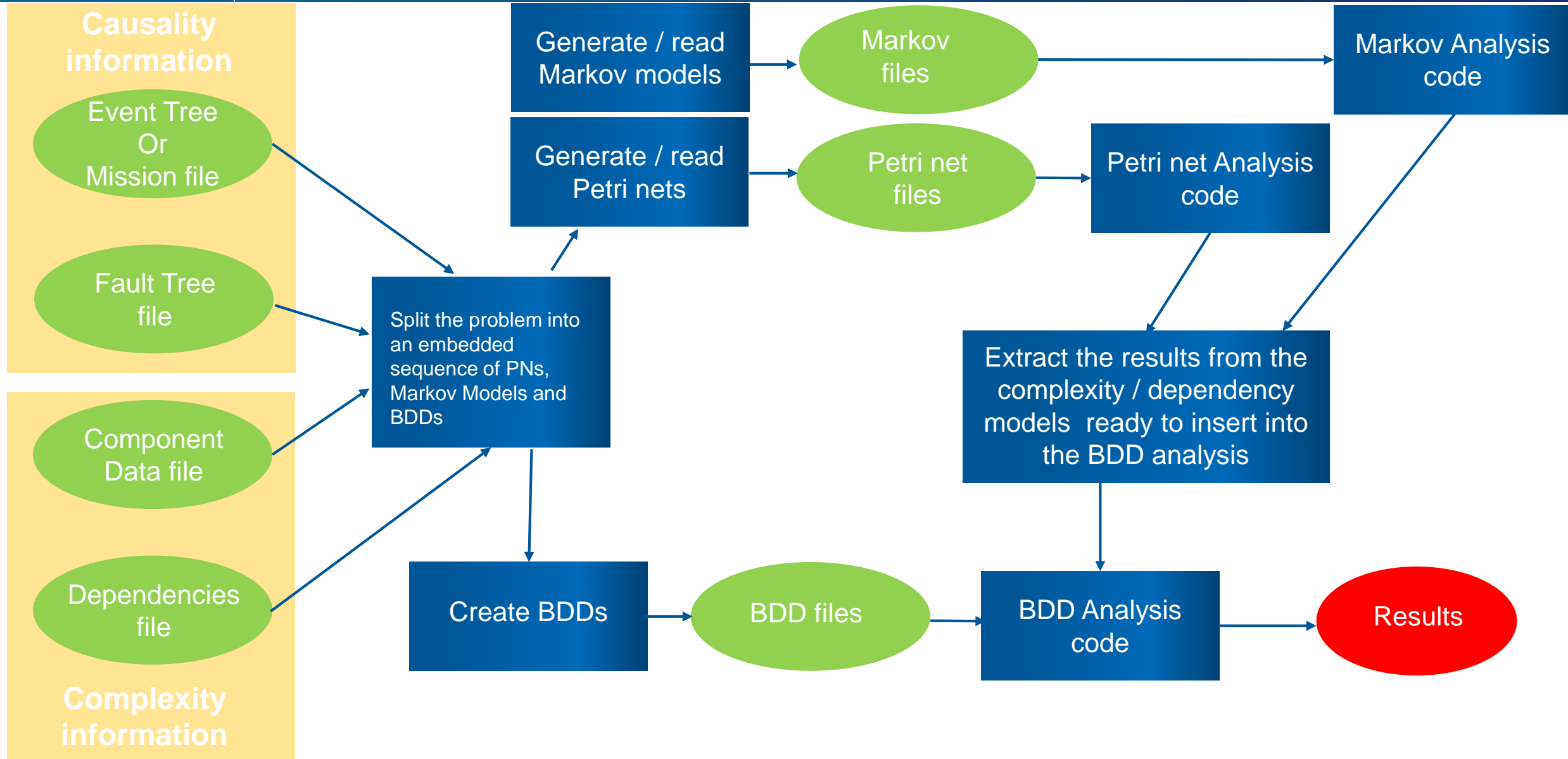


Basic Events are enablers





# Basic Structure of the Code





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# Step 1

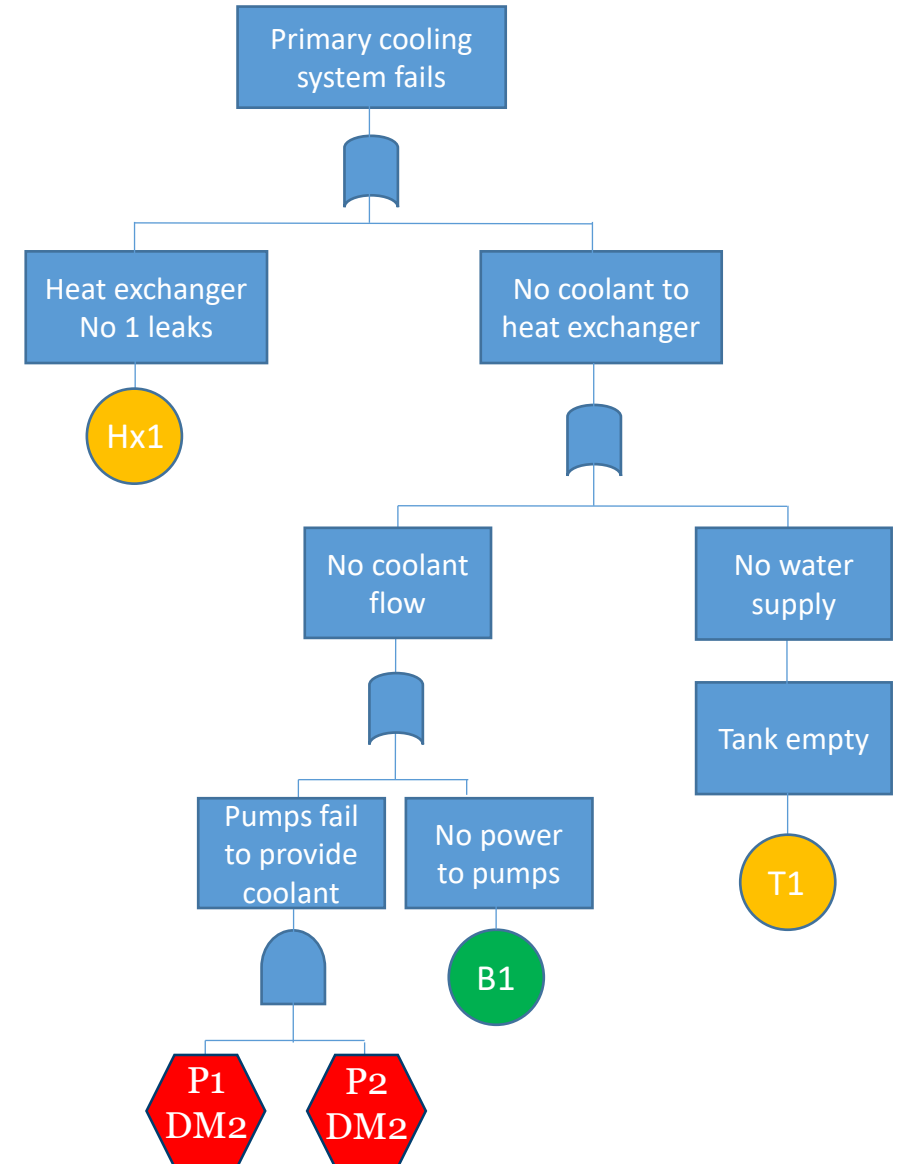
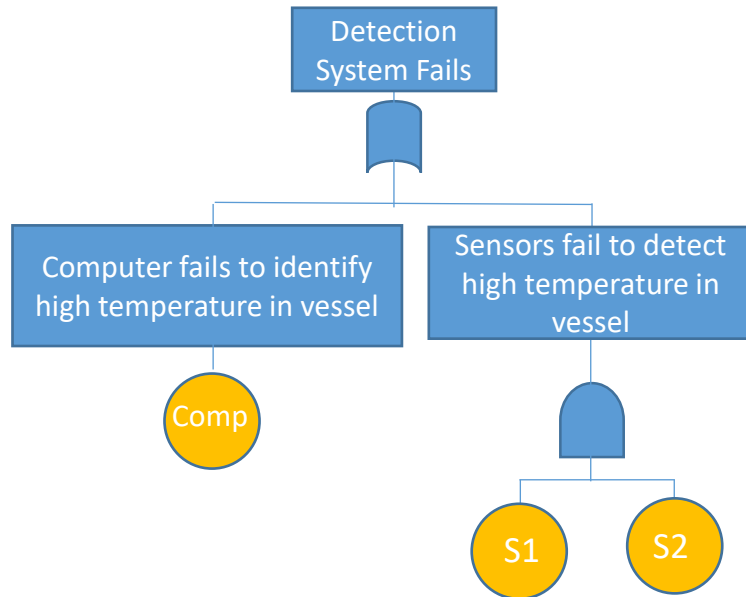
Associate the complex features with the fault trees

## Complex Features

- **Non-constant failure / repair rates** (DM1)
  - Relays R1 & R2 have a Weibull failure time distribution and a lognormal repair time distribution
- **Dependencies**
  - Pumps P1 & P2 – if one fails it puts increased load ( and increases the failure rate) of the other (DM2)
  - Sensors, S1 and S2 have a common cause calibration failure (DM3)
  - Tanks T1 and T2, when one fails both are replaced (DM4)
- **Maintenance process**
  - The motor, M, has a condition monitoring system with different maintenance actions depending on the condition state. (DM5)

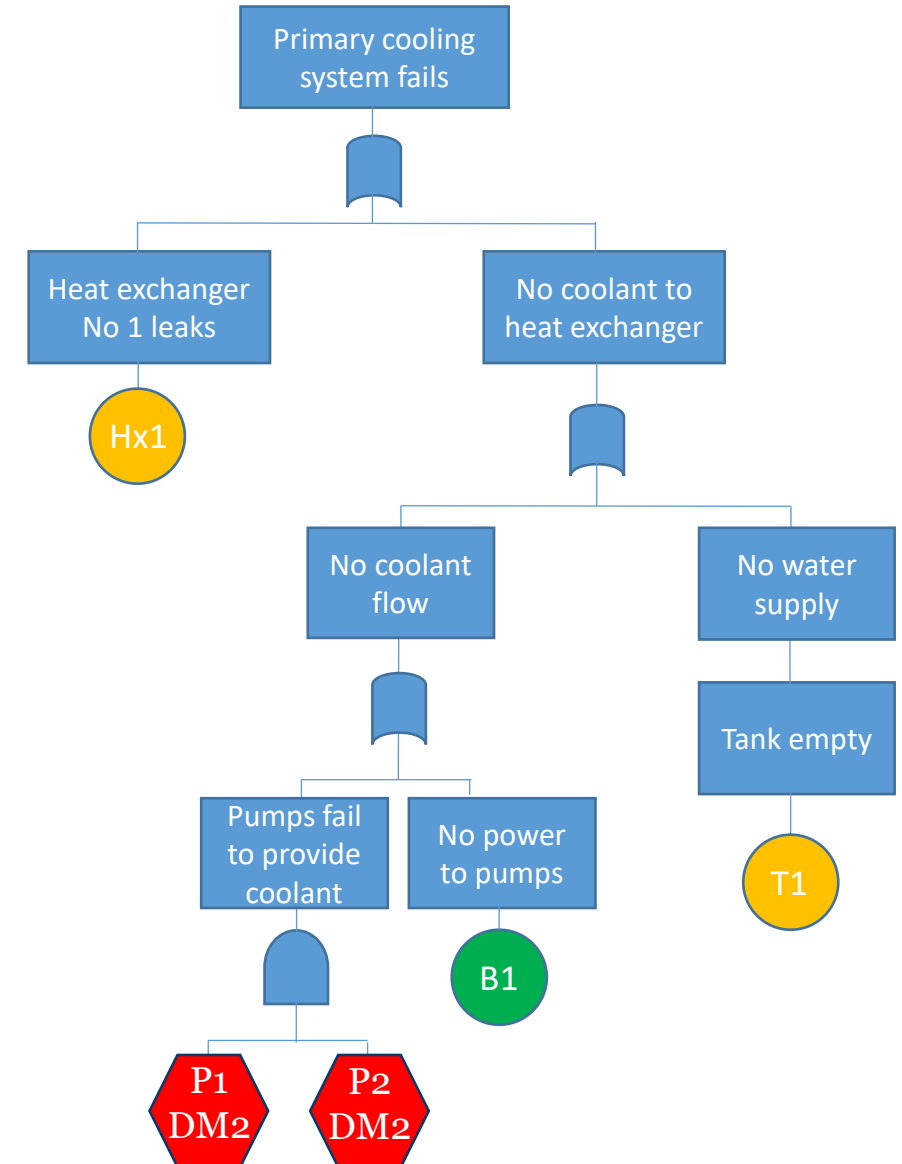
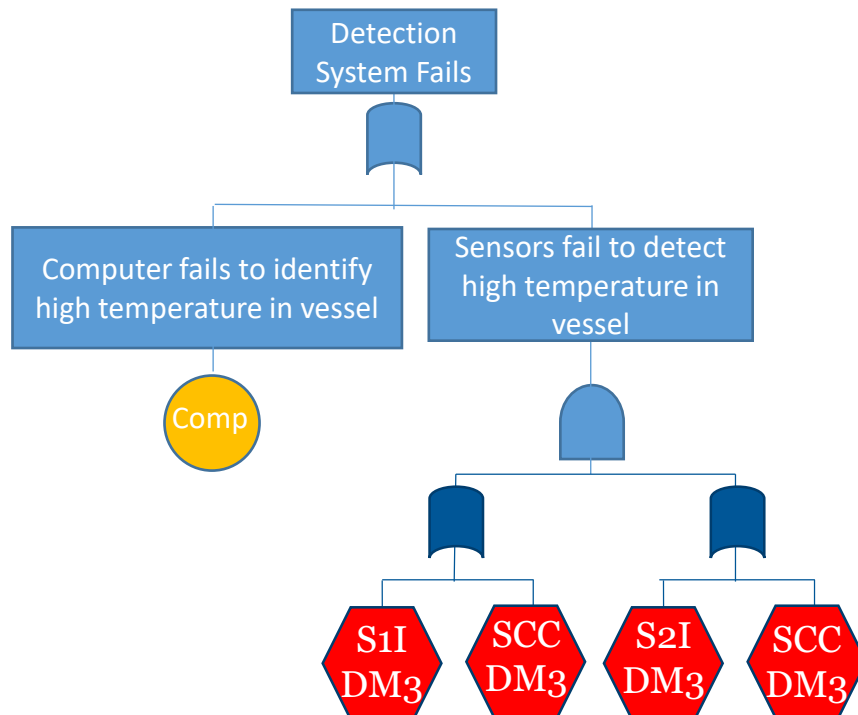
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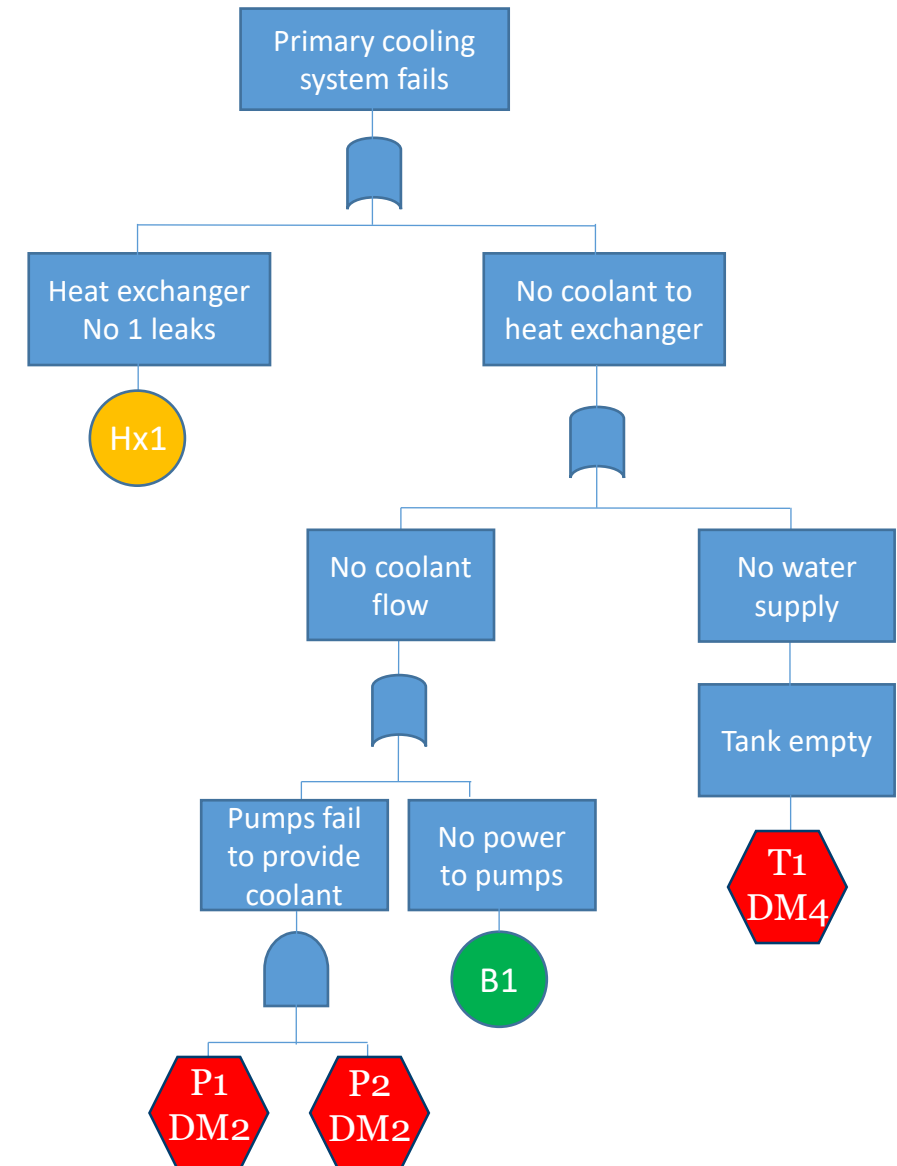
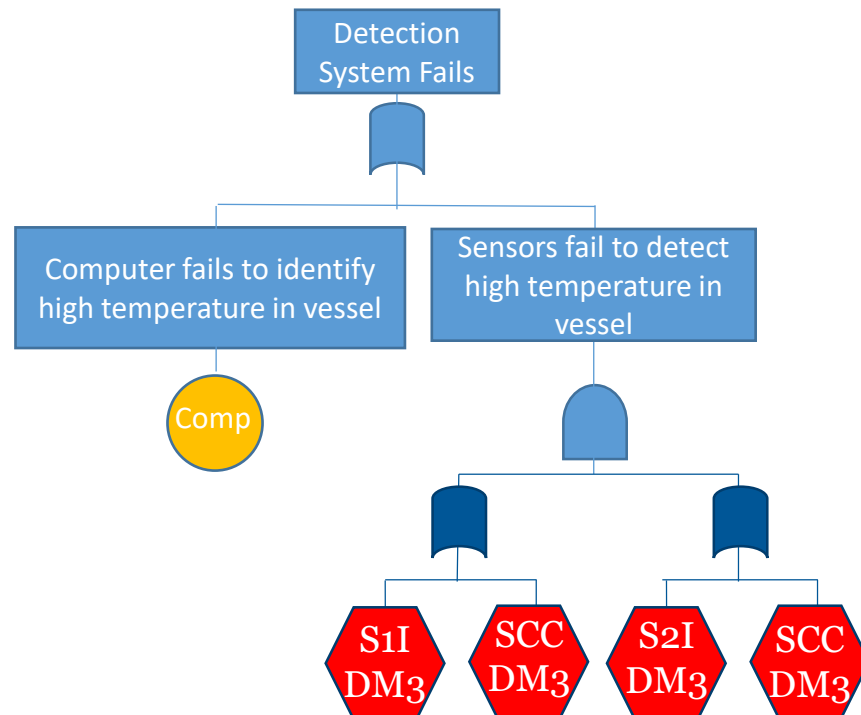
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## Complex Features

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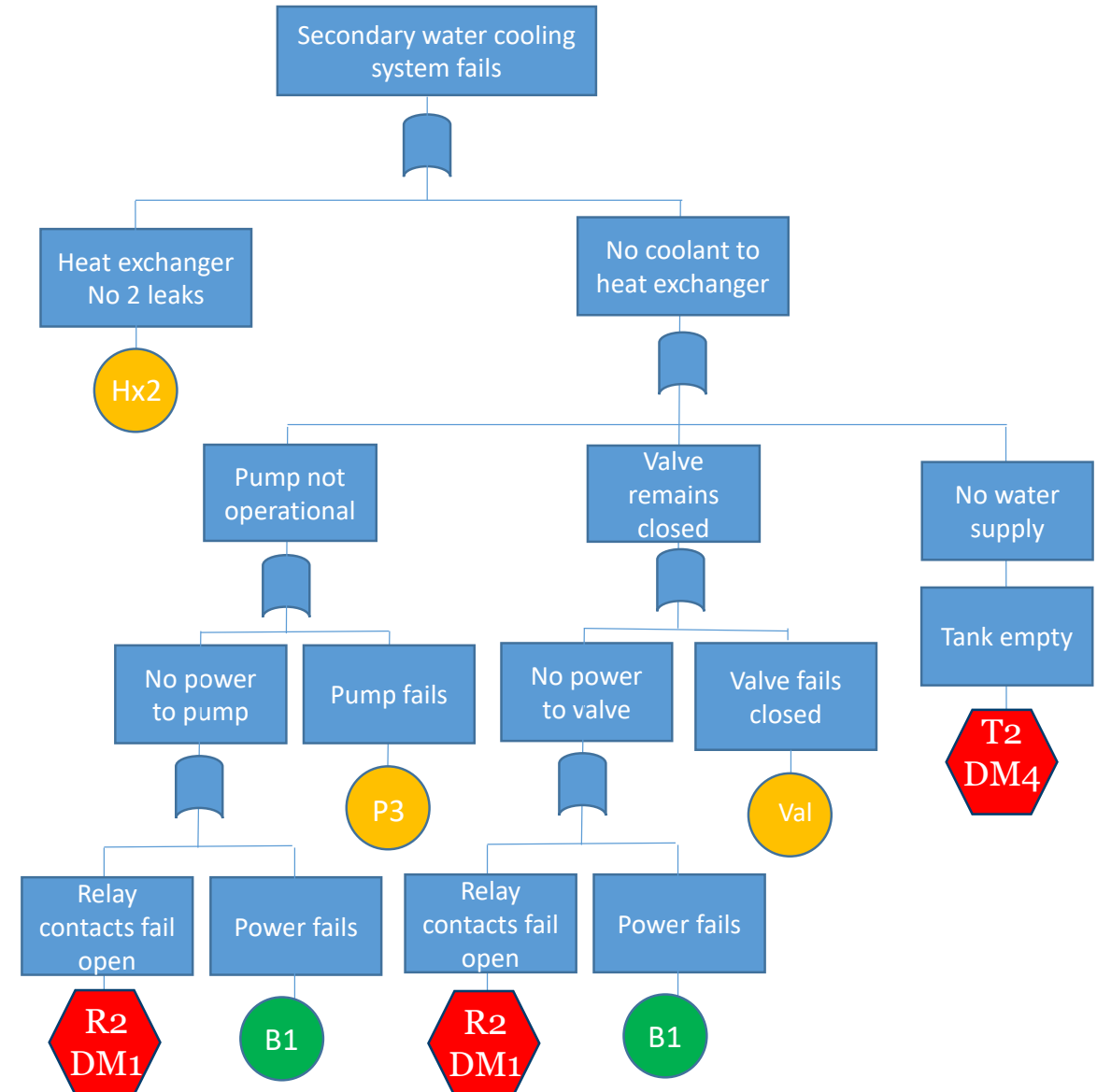




# Fault Tree – Secondary Cooling Water System

## Complex Features

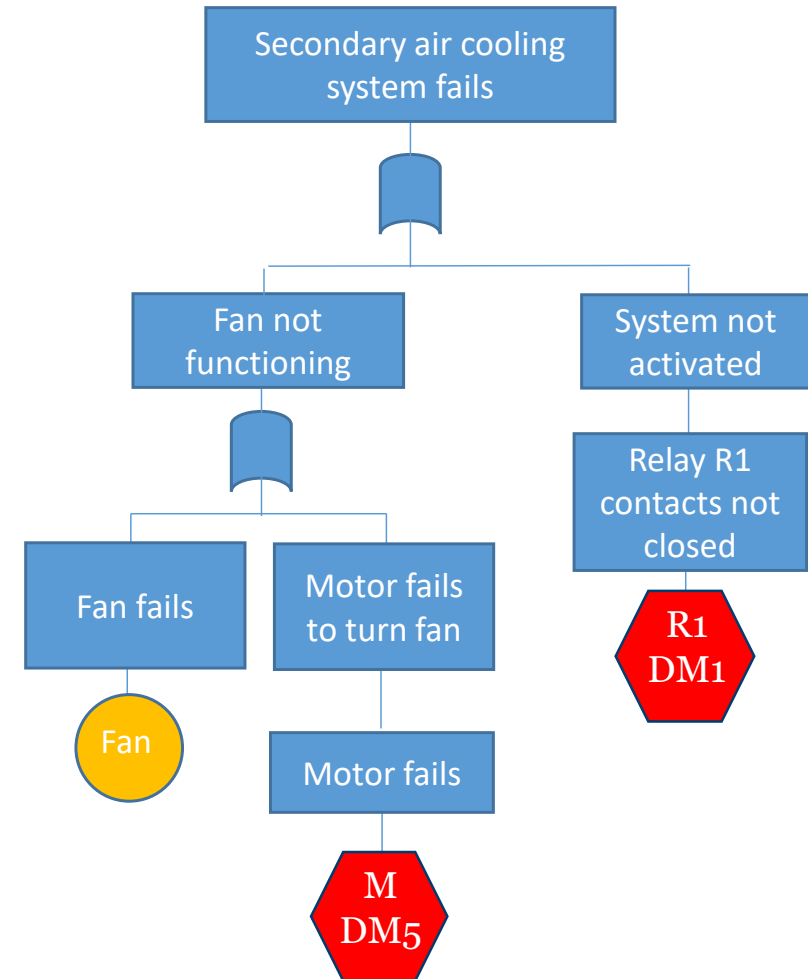
- **Non-constant failure / repair rates (DM1)**
  - Relays R1 & R2 have a Weibull failure time distribution and a lognormal repair time distribution
- **Dependencies**
  - Tanks T1 and T2, when one fails both are replaced (DM4)





## Complex Features

- **Non-constant failure / repair rates (DM1)**
  - Relays R1 & R2 have a Weibull failure time distribution and a lognormal repair time distribution
- **Maintenance process**
  - The motor, M, has a condition monitoring system with different maintenance actions depending on the condition state. **(DM5)**







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# Step 2

Calculate simple component failure models

## Revealed Failures - initiators

Component	Code	Failure rate ( $\lambda$ ) Per year	Mean time to repair ( $\tau$ ) years	Failure Probability $q = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \nu}$	Failure Intensity $w = \lambda(1 - q)$
Heat Exchanger	HX1	0.125	$5.5 \times 10^{-3}$	$6.8703 \times 10^{-4}$	0.1249
Power Supply	B1	0.5	$2.5 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.248 \times 10^{-3}$	0.4994

## Unrevealed Failures - enablers

Component	Code	Failure rate ( $\lambda$ ) Per year	Mean time to repair ( $\tau$ ) years	Inspection int ( $\theta$ ) years	$q = \lambda(\theta/2 + \tau)$
Heat Exchanger	HX2	0.125	$5.5 \times 10^{-3}$	1	0.06319
Computer	Comp	0.4	$5.0 \times 10^{-3}$	0.08	0.034
Pump	P3	0.05	0.08333	0.5	0.01667
Fan	Fan	0.06	$5.0 \times 10^{-3}$	0.5	0.0153



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# Step 3

Build and analyse the dependency models

## Complex Features

- **Non-constant failure / repair rates** (DM1)
  - Relays R1 & R2 have a Weibull failure time distribution and a lognormal repair time distribution
- **Dependencies**
  - Pumps P1 & P2 – if one fails it puts increased load ( and increases the failure rate) of the other (DM2)
  - Sensors, S1 and S2 have a common cause calibration failure (DM3)
  - Tanks T1 and T2, when one fails both are replaced (DM4)
- **Maintenance process**
  - The motor, M, has a condition monitoring system with different maintenance actions depending on the condition state. (DM5)



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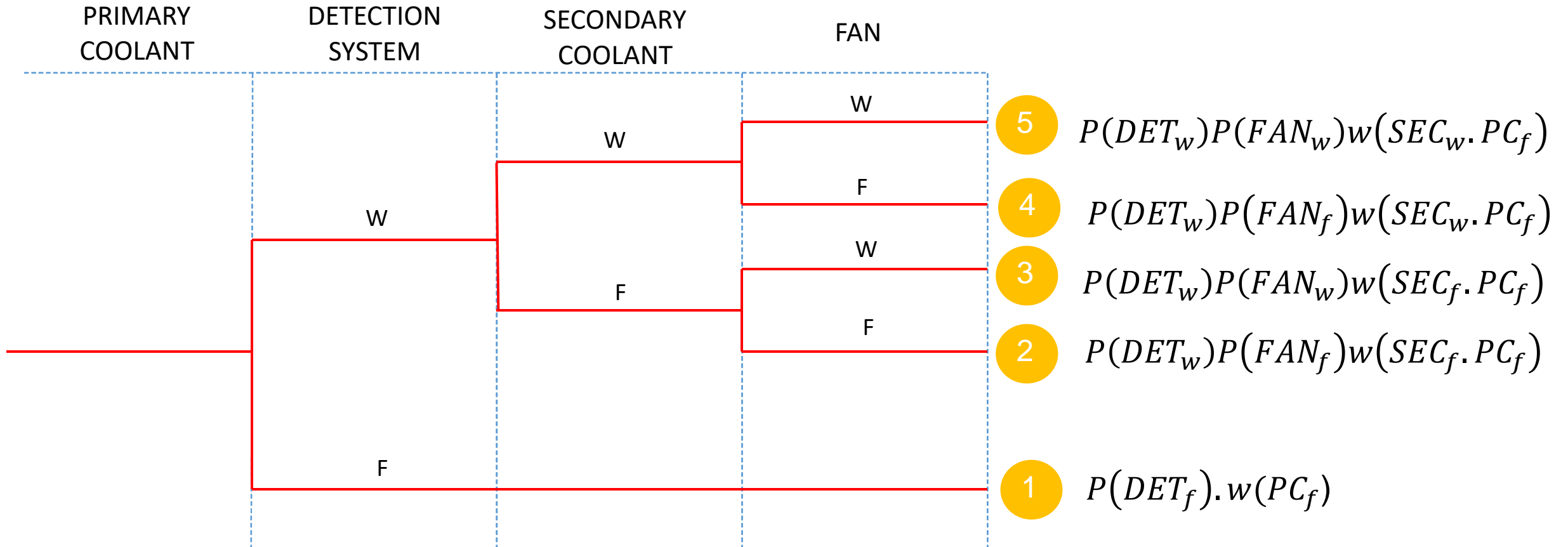
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# Step 4

Consider the causes of each Event Tree outcome



# Event Tree Analysis





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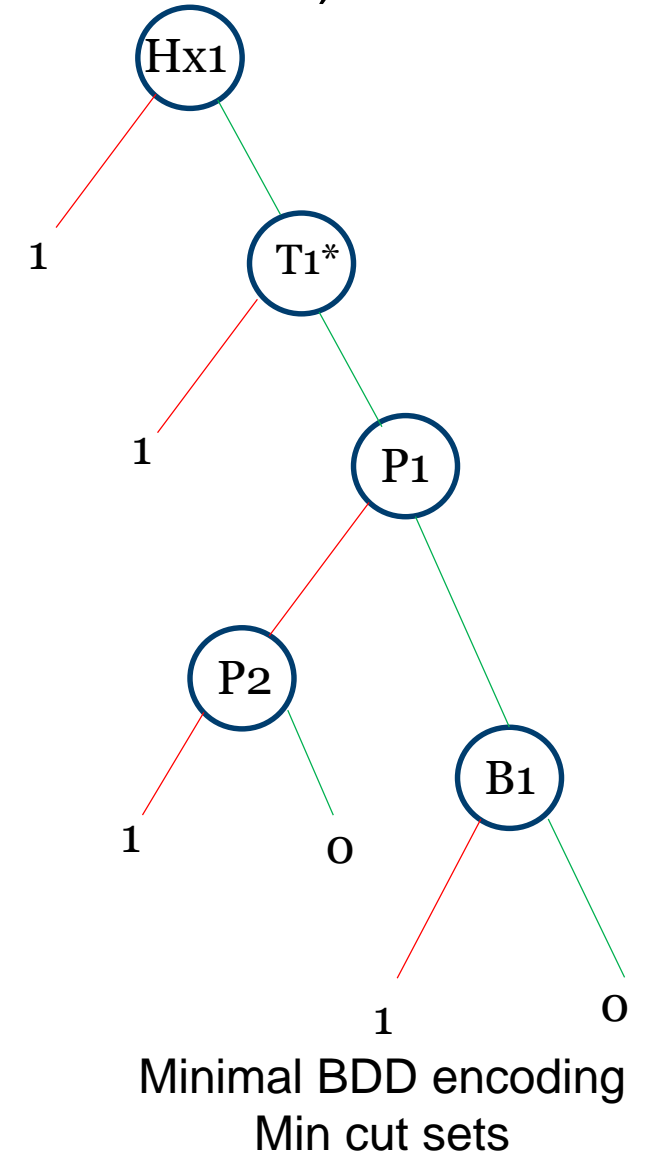
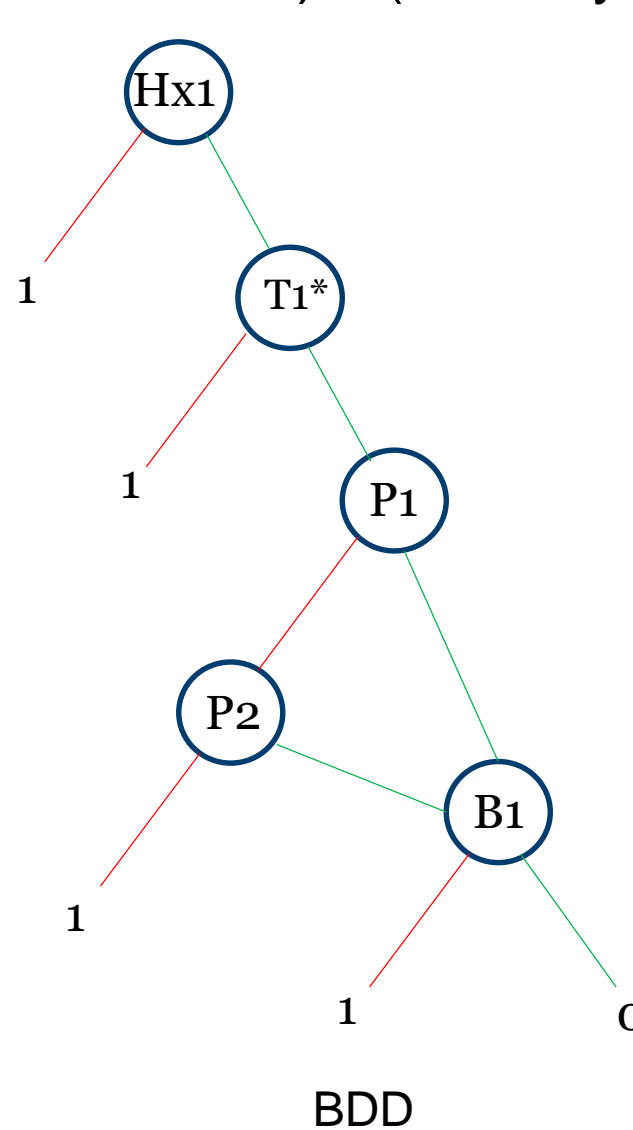
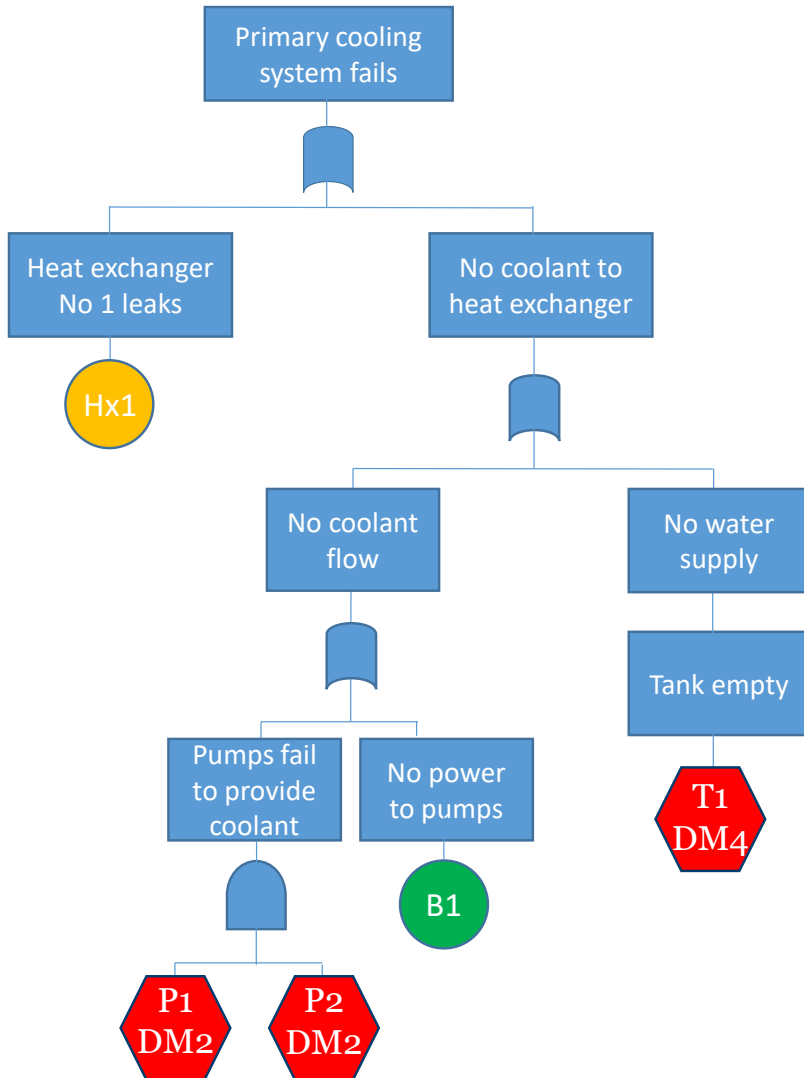
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# Step 4a Event Tree Outcome -1

Primary Coolant Failure intensity  
Detection System fails

# Outcome 1 Primary Coolant failure intensity

$\text{Freq1} = P(\text{Detection System Fails}) \cdot w(\text{Primary coolant fails})$





# Outcome 1 failure intensity term for Hx1

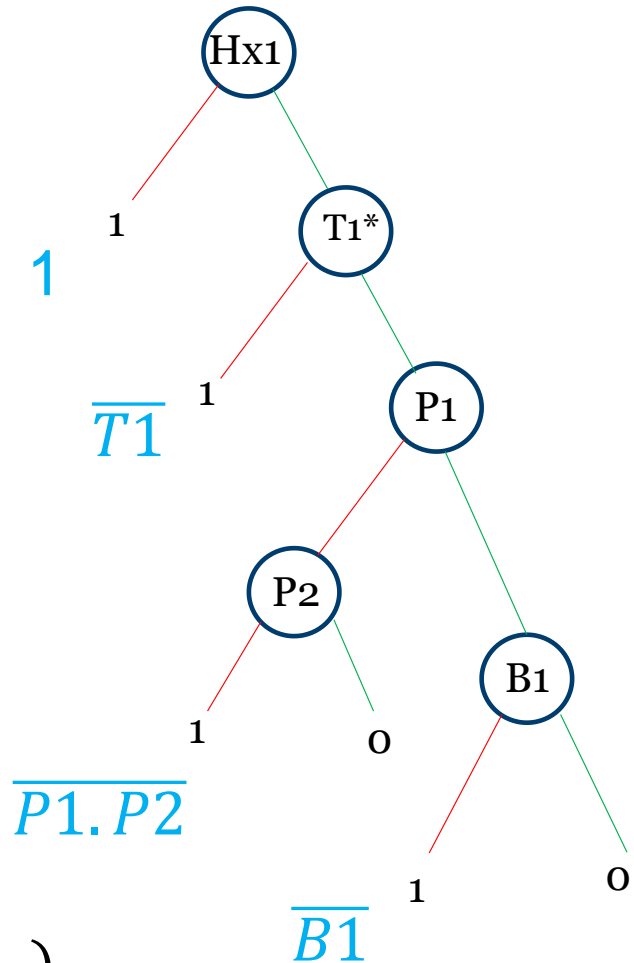
$$w_{SYS}(t)dt = \sum_i G_i(\mathbf{q}(t)) \cdot w_i(t)dt$$

*initiators*

- For a system to be in a critical state for component i the following conditions must exist:
  - The system is not already failed (no min cut sets not containing i can exist)
  - All other events in min cut sets containing event i must have already occurred

P(the system is in a critical state for initiator Hx1 and Hx1 then occurs in [t,t+dt) )

$$\begin{aligned} G_{Hx1}(\mathbf{q}(t)) \cdot w_{Hx1}(t)dt &= P(\overline{T1} \cdot \overline{P1} \cdot \overline{P2} \cdot \overline{B1} \cdot w_{Hx1}) \\ &= P(\overline{T1}) \cdot P(\overline{B1}) \cdot P(\overline{P1} \cdot \overline{P2}) P(w_{Hx1}) \\ &= (1 - q_{T1}) \cdot (1 - q_{B1}) \cdot (1 - q_{P1.P2}) \cdot w_{Hx1} dt \end{aligned}$$



# Outcome 1 failure intensity for Hx1

P(the system is in a critical state for initiator i and i then occurs in [t,t+dt) )

$$G_{Hx1}(q(t)) \cdot w_{Hx1}(t) dt = (1 - q_{T1}) \cdot (1 - q_{B1}) \cdot (1 - q_{P1.P2}) \cdot w_{Hx1} dt$$

Code	Failure Probability $q = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + v}$	Failure Intensity $w = \lambda(1 - q)$
HX1	$6.8703 \times 10^{-4}$	0.1249
B1	$1.248 \times 10^{-3}$	0.4994

From DM4

$$P(T1) = 0.008053$$

From DM2

$$P(P1.P2) = 0.011764786$$

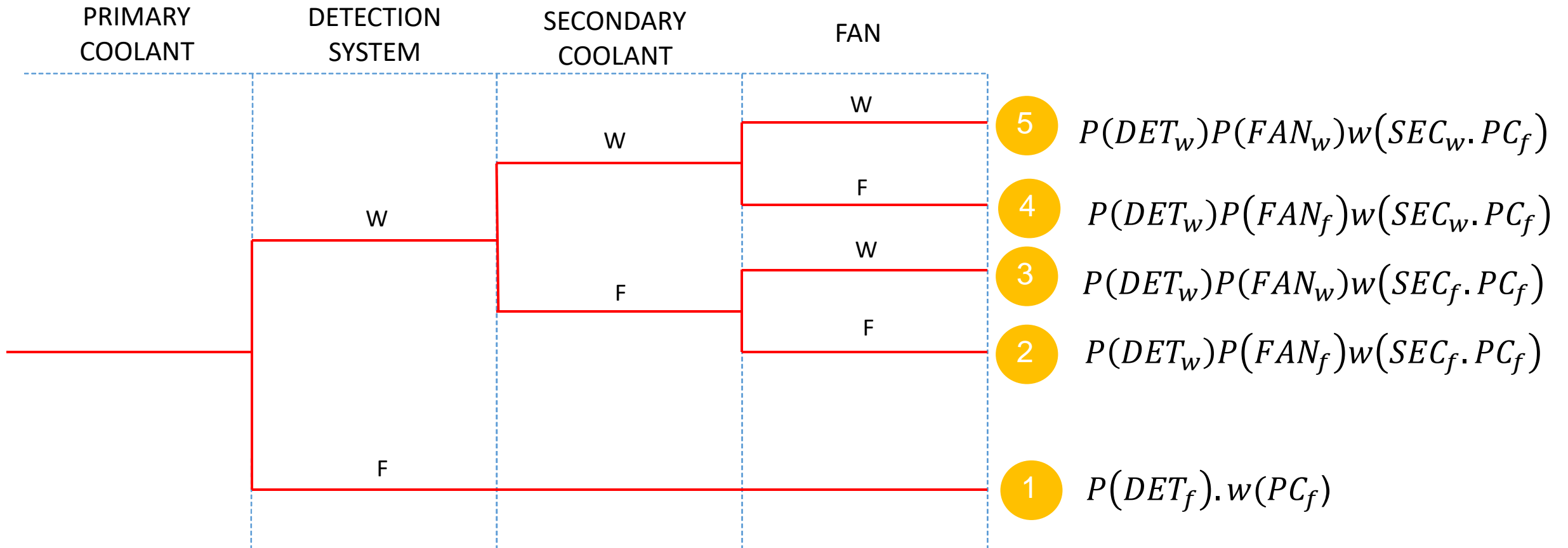


Similar Calculation for other initiators P1, P2, T1, B1

$$w_{SYS}(t) = \sum_{\substack{i \\ \text{initiators}}} G_i(\mathbf{q}(t)) \cdot w_i(t)$$

Failure Intensity of the Primary Cooling  
System = 0.780261 per year

# Repeating this process for all other events



$$P(DET_f) = 0.132513$$

$$w(PC_f) = 0.780261 \text{ per year}$$

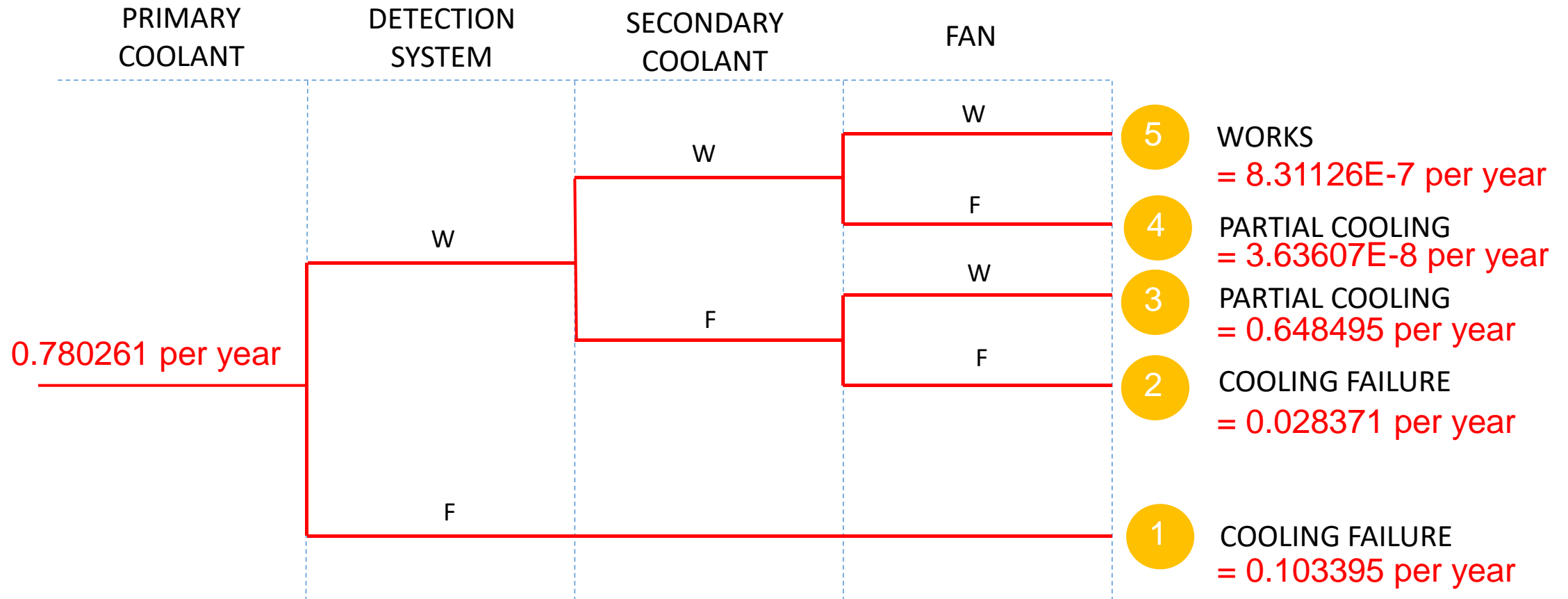
$$P(FAN_f) = 0.041915$$

$$w(SEC_f.PC_f) = 0.780260$$

$$w(SEC_w.PC_f) = 1.0e - 6$$



# Event Tree Analysis





- First Phase of the Next Generation Risk Assessment Methodologies has been described
- This incorporates the following features into the modelling
  - Dependencies
  - Non-constant failure and repair rates
  - Complex maintenance strategies
  - A method has been developed which enables results from the PN/Markov models to be integrated into the BDDs
- Current work:
  - Modularisation methods
  - Building dependencies into the phased mission methodology
  - Solving case studies provide by the aero and railway industries



*Thank you for your  
attention*

**Any Questions?**