

Safety and Maintenance for Industrial Systems

Lecture 2 Elements of Safety Engineering



Contents and Goals

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 - To learn fundamental concepts and definitions
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- Safety is a discipline and a technical activity
- Safety of Industrial plants deals with every complex technical system
- Safety is tangible but even an intangible product = service
- Safety is a Company function = a complex of omogeneous (in contents and goals) Company activities



- A **system** is a set of elements, variously connected to each other, designed to achieve a definite purpose.
- A hierarchical system (can be decomposed hierarchically) is composed of subsystems in relation to each other, each of which, in turn, is hierarchical in its structure.
- The control area in a system is the portion of the system consisting in a number of elements which are directly dependent by one "boss element".
- At one level a system is said "flat", if it has a very wide control area ("span area") to that level.
- There are many kinds of systems:
 - o Social
 - o Biological
 - Physical
 - o Simbolic
 - o ...



The variety (or variance) of a system is the parameter representing the number of states that the system itself can take.
Design for a

Brain

W.ROSS ASHBY

Science Paperbacks *

W. Ross Ashby (6 September 1903 – 15 November 1972) was an English neurologist and a pioneer in cybernetics



When a whole system is composed of a numbers of subsystems, the one that tends to dominate is the least stable.

— William Ross Ashby —



A Cybernetic Loop





Ashby's Law:

 $\min V_{\rm S} \ge V_{\rm R} - V_{\rm C}$

V_S, variety of the system S (the lamp)

V_R, variety of the room R (the room lighting conditions, lighted/dark)

 V_{C} , variety of the controller C (the switch of a lamp, or its dimmer)



To assume a very specific state to S C must express a variety at least equal to that of R



- We say that a system is "quasi-decomposable" if it is a hierarchical system with strong relationships between the elements of each sub-system and weak interactions between sub-systems.
- In a quasi-decomposable system:
 - the **short-term behavior** of each sub-system is almost independent from the short-term behavior of the others
 - In a long-term period, the behavior of each system component only depends in an overall way from the behavior of the others
- The systems evolve towards hierarchical forms.



- The complexity of a system depends on various factors:
 - o abundance of the elements
 - number of relations
 - o complication of the definition
 - 0 ...



SCIENCE AND COMPLEXITY

By WARREN WEAVER

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S CIENCE has led to a multitude of results that affect men's lives. Some of these results are embodied in mere conveniences of a relatively trivial sort. Many of them, based on science and developed through technology, are essential to the machinery of modern life. Many other results, especially those associated with the biological and medical sciences, are of unquestioned benefit and comfort. Certain aspects of science have profoundly influenced men's ideas and even their ideals. Still other aspects of science are thoroughly awesome.

How can we get a view of the function that science should have in the developing future of man? How can we appreciate what science really is and, equally important, what science is not? It is, of course, possible to discuss the nature of science in general philosophical terms. For some purposes such a discussion is important and necessary, but for the present a more direct approach is desirable. Let us, as a very realistic politician used to say, let us look at the record. Neglecting the older history of science, we shall go back only three and a half centuries and take a broad view that tries to see the main features, and omits minor details. Let us begin with the physical sciences, rather than the biological, for the place of the life sciences in the descriptive scheme will gradually become evident.

Problems of Simplicity



A Mathematical Theory of Communication

By C. E. SHANNON





THE ARCHITECTURE OF COMPLEXITY

HERBERT A. SIMON*

Professor of Administration, Carnegie Institute of Technology (Read April 26, 1962)

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FIG. 1. A hypothetical nearly-decomposable system. In terms of the heat-exchange example of the text, A1, A2, and A3 may be interpreted as cubicles in one room, B1 and B2 as cubicles in a second room, and C1, C2, and C3 as cubicles in a third. The matrix entries then are the heat diffusion coefficients between cubicles.

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Small Worlds Theory: - What have in common some natural and artificial systems (fireflyes, internet, machines...)?

- Low degree of separation
- High degree of accumulation
- Statistical distributions



Safety has to be designed:

- o Risk analysis
- Specific technical solutions
- o Organization
- Planning of the safety activities (project management)
- From an economic point of view: the costs for safety and non-safety (SAFETY BUDGET)

SAFETY TECHNICIAN



- Safety must be implemented:
 - Verification on the field of the adoption of the technical measures
 - Adoption of personal protective equipment (PPE)
 - Verification of tasks
 - o New risks, new hazards
 - Serious and imminent hazards
 - Information/feedback to the employer



SAFETY SUPERVISOR

• Supervisor (DPR 547/55)

• Prevention and Protection Service (SPP) (DLgs 626/94)

•Safety representative (DLgs 626/94)



Safety must be managed:

- By updating the risk analysis, in accordance with
 - new works, new processes, modification of those existing
 - purchase of new techical resources (machines, plants etc.)
 - new human resourses or relocation of those existing
- From the point of view of the conservation / maintenance of the technical solutions
- From the point of view of the technological update
- From the point of view of the management of all the Company resources dealing with Safety (human and technical resources)



• Executive (DPR 547/55)

•Employer (DLgs 626/94)

•Head of Prevention and Protection Service (RSPP) (DLgs 626/94)



An organizational example: a huge Company





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The Continuous Improvement





Planning

- Both Safety and non Safety have a cost
- Risk assessment should provide an indication of the urgency of the interventions
- Therefore, planning is essential
 - o Timetable
 - o Gantt chart
 - Programme and Evaluation Review Technique (PERT)





GANNT CHART

The Gantt chart is characterized by the following input parameters:

- o Activities
- o Times
- To build the Gantt chart what follows is required:
 - identify all the activities (preferably hierarchically)
 - o identify the order of the activities
 - o identify the tasks lasting time
 - put each activity in the chart
- The chart allows to view at a glance:
 - o Activities
 - o Lasting time
 - Beginning and closing of each activity
 - o Overlapping



GANNT CHART





PERT

The PERT Technique

- Can be applied to a process consisting of several elementary activities
- It is a reticular technique (based on graphs, formed by arcs and nodes)
- It allows you to find the critical path, i.e. the sequence of activities that affect the total time of execution

In the PERT Technique

- The **elementary activities** are linked to the **arcs**
- The **events** are linked to the **nodes** (an event corresponds to the occurrence of all the conditions necessary for the starting of the following activities)



PERT

To apply PERT:

- a list of the activities has to be provided
- for each activity all those that must com before have to be identified
- the estimated time for each activity (using statistical criteria and you can identify the most probable durations, or durations pessimistic or optimistic durations)
- the graph is built (better to proceed backwards)
- the durations of the activities are indicated in correspondence with each arc
- o in correspondence of each node they are indicated
 - the minimum time, considering the occurrence of the corresponding event (all previous activities concluded)
 - The maximum time, considering the deadline of the overall process
- activities that can slip are identified, without delaying the process
- the critical path is identified, corresponding to the path of activities that cannot slip



PERT









- The planning of Safety activities (especially important in the case of yards) requires project management skills.
- Project management means a coordination activity of a process / project having as main objectives what follows:
 - o planning of human resources to employ
 - o planning of the deadlines (progress reports)
 - o checking of the resources and the respect of the deadlines
 - the identification of variances and root cause analysis



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Safety Costs

- Human resources
- Individual protective equipment
- Collective protection
- Technical measures
- Organisational measures
- Consultancies
- Training
- Insurance
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Non Safety costs

- Material damage to the plant
- Insurance costs (Inail premium)
- Reduced production
- Reduced productivity
- Strikes
- Confiscations
- Social costs
- Immaterial damages
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Safety and Economic Balance

- The balance is the company document, required by law, which illustrates the economic and financial situation of a company.
- The balance must comply with a standard defined by law.
- Safety is not in the balance in a well defined way ANYHOW
 1. SAFETY IS AN INVESTMENT
 2. SAFETY IS NOT A COST



Investment in Safety

- Investment in Safety is characterized by a return consisting of "missed costs."
- Many Safety expenses are depreciable, therefore they allow the tax deductibility.
- Other Safety costs allow the deductibility from taxable income.
- Investments in Safety enhance the image of the company towards
 - o The personnel
 - The customers / clients
 - o The suppliers
 - The Society and the Country



Risks and Hazards

- Safety must be quantified.
- The Risk is the fundamental quantity through which we can evaluate the status of Safety.
- The risk is a quantity that refers to an immaterial object, although it refers to situations and material consequences, therefore

IT IS NECESSARY TO DEFINE MODALITIES AND EVALUATION TOOLS



Risks and Hazards

The Hazard is the objectification of the risk in a particular situation

Examples:

- Risk of fire in an environment
- Fire hazard due to the presence of barrels of oil



- To estimate any physical quantity is necessary
 - o define the unit of measure
 - define the scale, the zero, the full scale and sensitivity of the scale
 - define the measuring instrument and its precision



- To estimate the risk the same criteria of a physical measurement have to be used.
- The risk estimation should lead to a <u>quantitative</u> assessment.
- Moreover, the risk estimation has to be:
 - o <u>Homogeneous</u> between different environments
 - o <u>Systematic</u> (i.e. repeatable)
 - o <u>Objective</u> (not conditioned by external factors)



Risk Measure

Homogeneity of risk estimation:

- possibility of making in relations results for different situations and environments
- Possibility of adopting omogeneous criteria of urgency



ENSURE THE SAME SAFETY TO EVERYBODY



- Sistematic Risk Estimation:
 - the risk estimation should be able to be repeated by returning the same results in less than predictable errors (based on the "tool" of measurement)
 - the risk estimation should be able to be repeated by different analysts without leading to differing results (based on the "tool" of measurement)



Objective Risk Estimation:

- the risk estimation should not be conditioned by facts which are not clearly objective
- Avoid personal opinions
- Avoid sporadic and / or random interviews
- Avoid random inspections



Objective Risk Estimation:

- Risk analysis must be preceded by inspection activities (of places, projects, etc.)
- Inspection activities must be designed and planned
- The inspector has to be:
 - Indipendent in his/her judgement
 - not conditioned by economic factors
 - not influenced



- Risk estimation has to lead to quantitative results:
 - o Numerical judgments
 - o Linguistic judgments
 - linguistic judgments can have objective validity provided that they refer to well-defined scales
 - linguistic judgments better reflect the "fuzzy" way of man thinking



FUZZY LOGIC



Fuzzy Logic

The Fuzzy Logic (introduced by the mathematician Zadeh in the 70s) introduces the degree of membership (IT: gda) of a variable to a certain set: o CLASSIC LOGIC $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{X}$ or $\mathbf{x} \notin \mathbf{X}$ o FUZZY LOGIC $X \in X$ with a certain "gda"



Fuzzy Logic

- the degree of membership (IT: gda) of a variable to a certain set is a variable parameter between "0" and "1" with a certain law.
- There are variables (professional judgments) that are better estimated in a fuzzy way.
- In the case of thermal sensation (the diagram is referred to the way of reasoning of a single person): **INDECISION REVERSAL OF JUDGEMENT** gda 1 warm 0,8 0,6 0,4 0,2 10 15 T (°C) 20 25 30



Fuzzy Logic

In the case of risk of fire:





Risk: definition

- Risk is a quantity that has to do with the possibility of the occurrence of damaging events.
- Risk is a quantity:
 - o statistical
 - o fuzzy
 - refers to an immaterial object, leading to physical parameters



Risk: definition

• Analytically: $R = f(x_1, x_2... x_n)$

It is necessary to: Define fuction f Define the parameters x₁, x₂... x_n



- Classification on the basis of the damaging event
- Classification on the basis of the physical phenomenon
- etc.

RISK ANALYSIS HAS TO BE COMPLETED AND EXHAUSTIVE

RISK ANALYSIS HAS NOT TO BE "ENCYCLOPEDIC"



on the basis of the damaging event:

- Risks of injury
- Environmental and hygiene risks
- Organizational risks



On the basis of the physical phenomenon:

- o Mechanical risks
- Electrical risks
- o Fire risks
- o Structural risks
- o Physical risks
- o Chemical risks
- o Biological risks
- o Hygiene risks
- o Environmental risks
- o ...



- A cathegory of trasversal risks
 - Work organization
 - Working procedures
 - o Workloads
 - o Errors
 - Organizational
 - Individual

QUALITY MANAGEMENT SAFETY MANAGEMENT ERRORS MANAGEMENT DIVERSITY MANAGEMENT



gender, ethnicity, age, experience, character, handicaps, aptitudes, psychology, physicality, fears...



How does a productive system become hazardous?

Two different events cathegories:

- Fault phenomena
- o Exposure phenomena

 These phenomena are completely different, from different points of view: their genesis, their evolutions, their consequences and the treatment of the consequences.



- Faults are complex phenomena (events) that determine a malfunction of the system in which they occur.
- Faults are studied by Reliability.
- There are different kinds of faults, in relation to the evolution of the way of functioning of the system[Fitch]:
 - <u>Catastrophic failure a condition of sudden and complete cessation of operations</u> and a total deterioration of functions
 - <u>Sudden failure a condition of accelerated degradation both of the material and the performance, which becomes a partial weakening of the functions</u>
 - <u>Impending failure</u> a condition of perceptible degradation of the material in the presence of a serious deterioration of the performance
 - <u>Incipient failure</u> a condition in which the use of appropriate means of detection allows to detect the early signs of degradation of the material, preserving the performance of the machine
 - <u>Conditional failure</u> a condition in which early warning (degradation of the material or performance) has not yet occurred but if the situation persists, it will lead inevitably to a functional failure.



- A single event of failure in a well-designed and well-managed / maintained system cannot lead to the occurrence of a seriously harmful event (Top Event).
- The occurrence of a series of fault events, chained together, lead to the occurrence of the Top Event.
- The chain of failures starts from a plurality of possible events (basic events), propagates through other events (fault propagation), up to the Top Event.
- The chain of failures can stop:
 - because it is adequately long
 - because improvement events occur



DESIGN TO SAFETY DESIGN OF THE SAFETY



The phenomena of exposure are related to the presence of an exposure agent to which the workers are subject.

The parameters to be taken into account are

- o Type of agent (a)
- Concentration curve of the agent (a(t))
- o Exposure time
- Absorbed dose (D)
- Type of the workers activity





Prevention and Protection

Prevention

Actions to reduce the probability of occurrence of adverse events

- o Maintenance
- Information (even on the machine)
- o Training
- 0 ...

Protection

Actions to reduce the damage caused by the occurrence of adverse events

- Personal protective equipment (PPE)
- Collective Protections



Prevention and Protection

