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Application of STPA to Subsea Systems

Opportunities and Challenges

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Introduction to STPA

What is STPA?

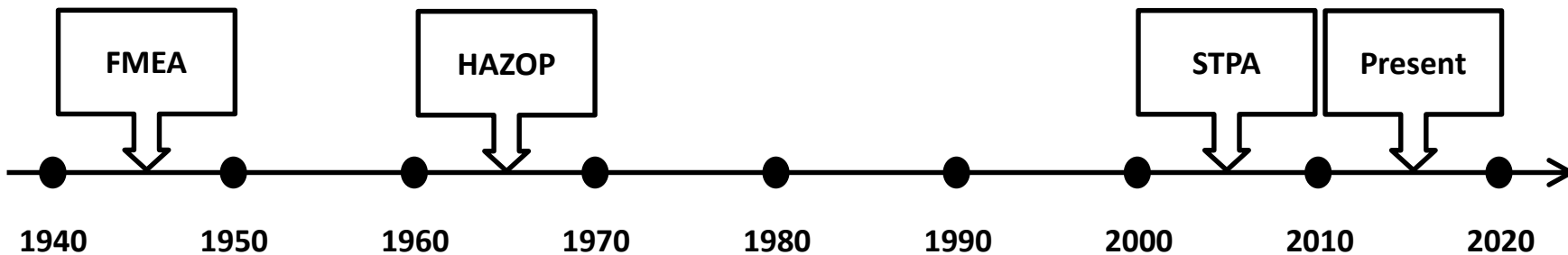
- Systems-Theoretic Process Analysis (STPA)
- A **hazard identification** technique based on **control and systems theory**
- Accidents are not “Failure Problem”, but “**Control Problem**”
- The main objective is to identify **unsafe control actions** and derive **safety constraints**
- Used in many different sectors and domains, but have **not yet been tested for subsea systems**

Why STPA?

- We already have widely used Hazard Identification Methods
 - Preliminary Hazard Analysis (PHA)
 - Failure Modes and Effects Analysis (FMEA)
 - HAZard and OPerability analysis (HAZOP)
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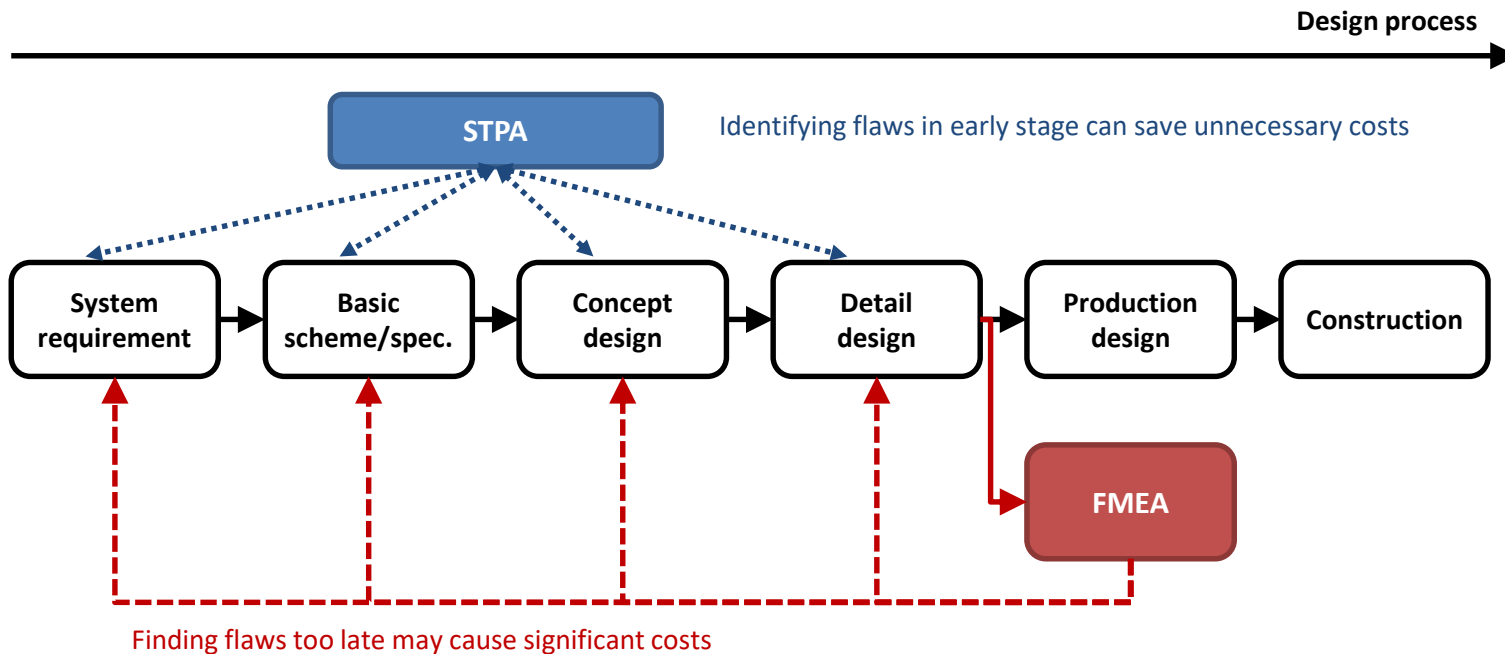
Why STPA?

- 1) STPA was recently developed for modern complex systems



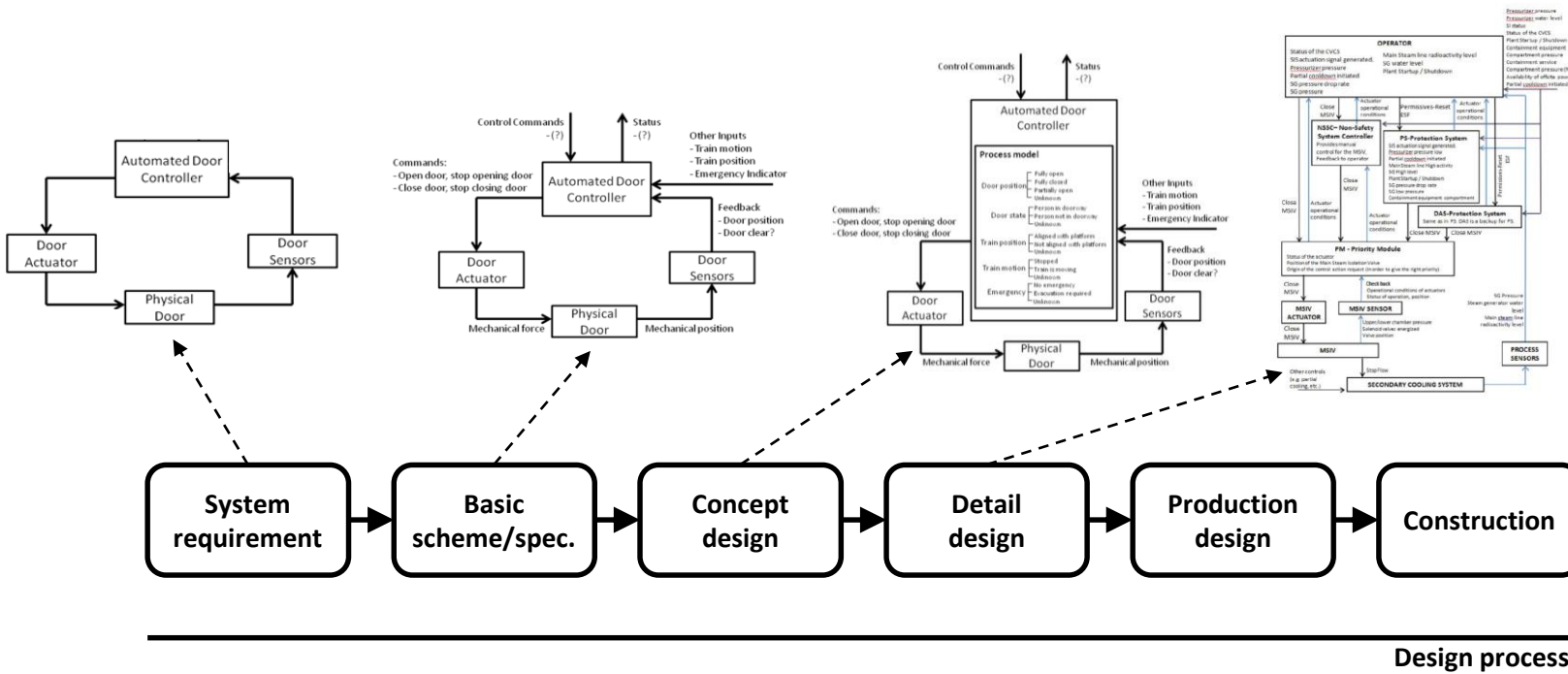
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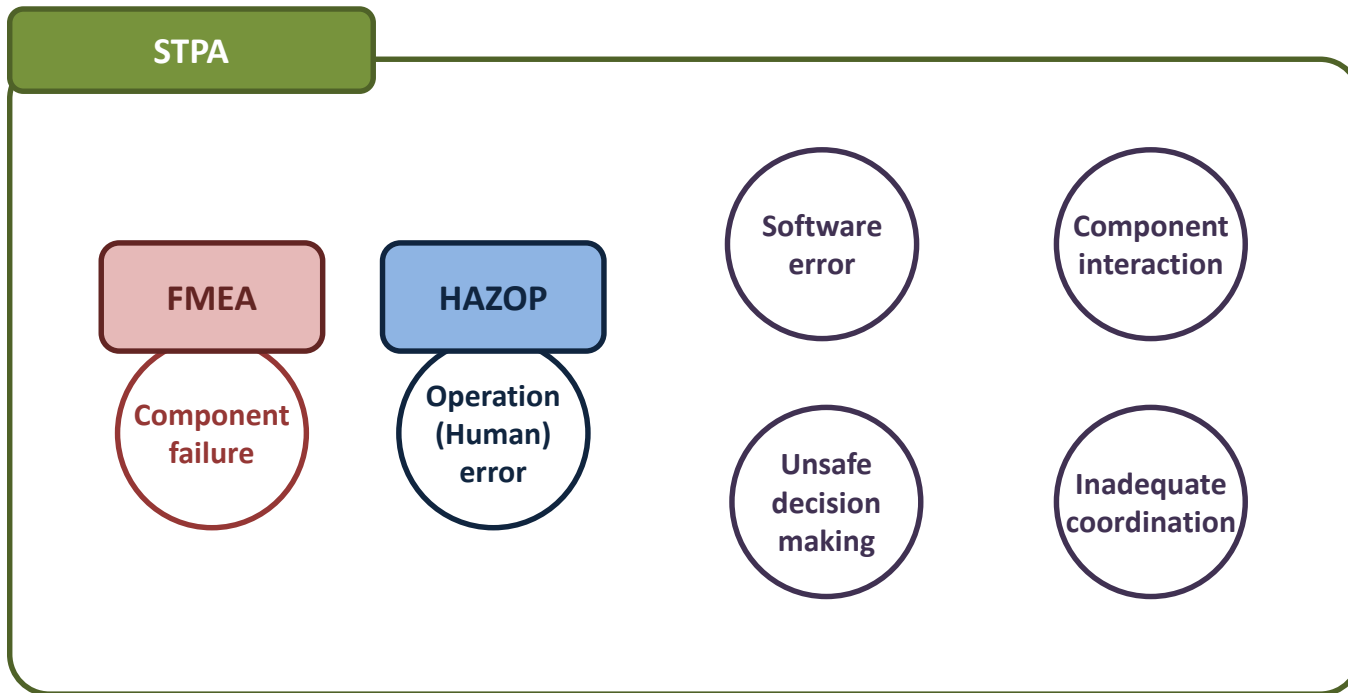
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U.S. Missile Defence System (Pereira et al. 2006)

- The system had been **subjected to standard hazard analysis methods**, but one more additional analysis was required
- **STPA found so many flaws** (by two persons for only three month analysis), so that the deployment was **delayed for six months** to fix them

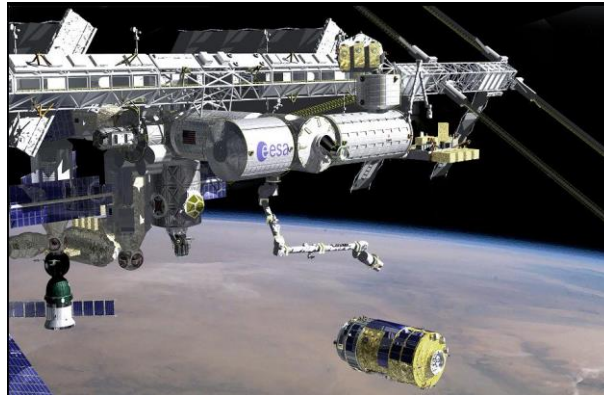


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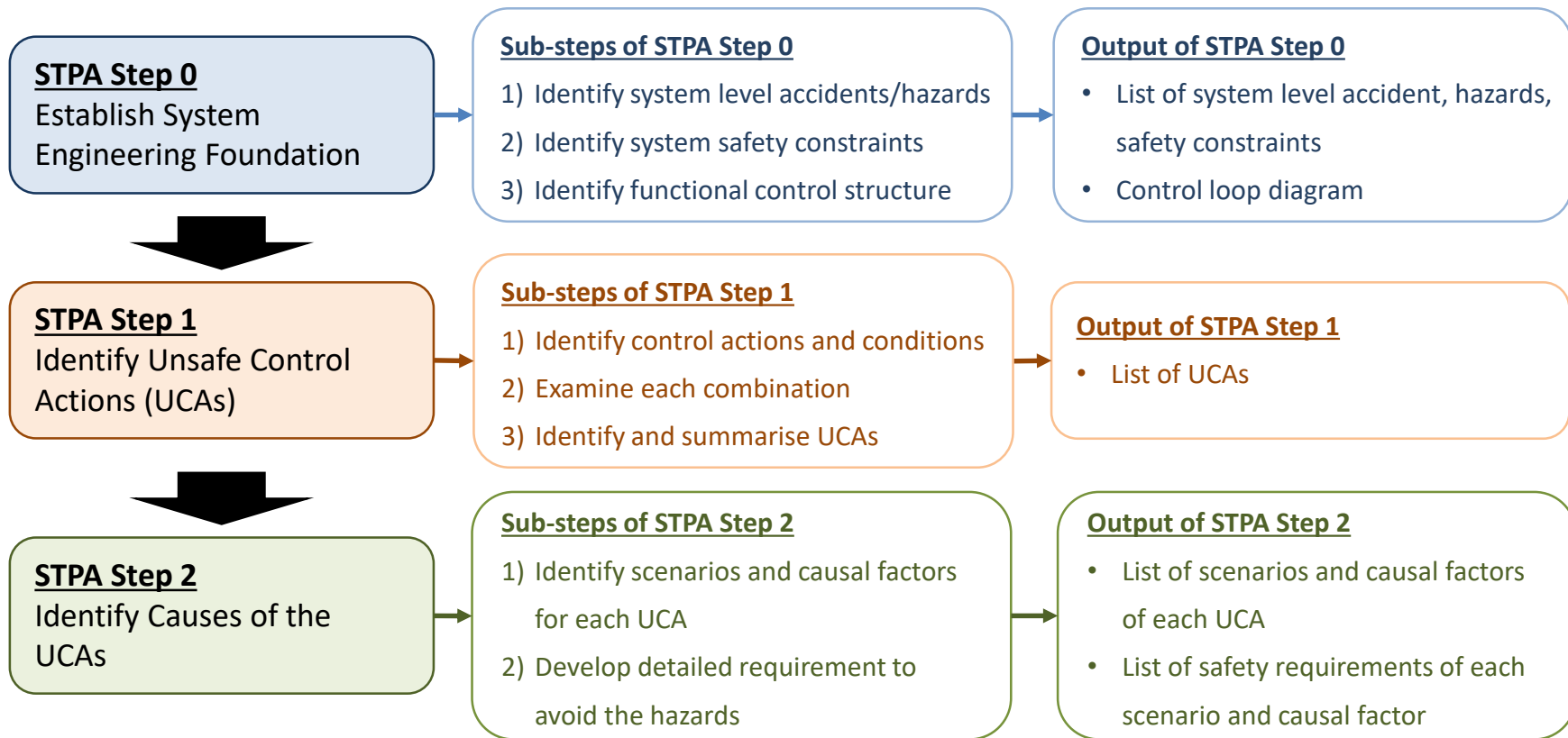
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Japanese Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) (Ishimatsu et al. 2014)

- JAXA used STPA experimentally on their unmanned spacecraft
- **STPA found everything** identified in fault tree analysis
- **STPA found additional hazardous scenarios** related to system design flaws, software errors, hazardous interactions, etc.

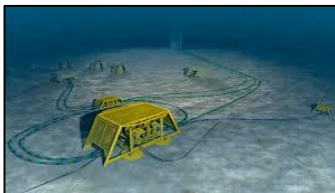


How to STPA?



STPA Studies in RAMS Group

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- Subsea Gatebox (prioritization) – Master thesis (Nanda)
- Subsea Gatebox (post process) – Journal paper (Juntao)
- Isolation of subsea wells – OTC 2018
- Subsea gas compression – ESREL 2018
- To be continued...



- Autonomous ship (pre-screening) – Master thesis (Jiahui)
- Dynamic positioning system in Arctic condition – ESREL 2018 (with KRISO)



- Securing maintenance are – Master thesis (Sunniva)

Description of the Papers

ESREL 2018

OTC 2018

Title: Application of Systems-Theoretic Process Analysis to a Subsea Gas Compression System

Title: Application of Systems-Theoretic Process Analysis to the isolation of subsea wells

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ABSTRACT: The life and recovery factor of already existing subsea gas fields and infrastructure may be increased by installing boosting facilities to compensate for declining well pressures. The installation of such boosting facilities subsea has often been identified as more cost-efficient than installation topside. A recent example is the Asgard Subsea Gas Compressor installed and started up in 2016 on the Norwegian Continental

subsea wells. Opportunities and challenges of applying STPA to subsea operations

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Main Objective

Discuss opportunities and challenges of the application of STPA to subsea systems

system. (2) to discuss opportunities and challenges of applying STPA to subsea compression systems, and; (3) to extend the discussion to the general use of STPA and necessity to improve the method.

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

operation of subsea gas compression reduces operation costs (Lana et al., 2011). On the other hand, the application of subsea gas compression has been tech-

Systems-Theoretic Process Analysis (STPA) is a recently developed hazards identification technique that is based on control and systems theory. Previous studies on STPA emphasize two major strengths of the method: (1) STPA provides a systematic top-down approach that enables early identification of system flaws, and (2) STPA covers a wider scope of hazards compared to traditional methods. Despite these advantages, there are only a limited number of studies that have applied the method to subsea systems. It is therefore of interest to investigate how STPA can be used to formulate new or verify existing require-

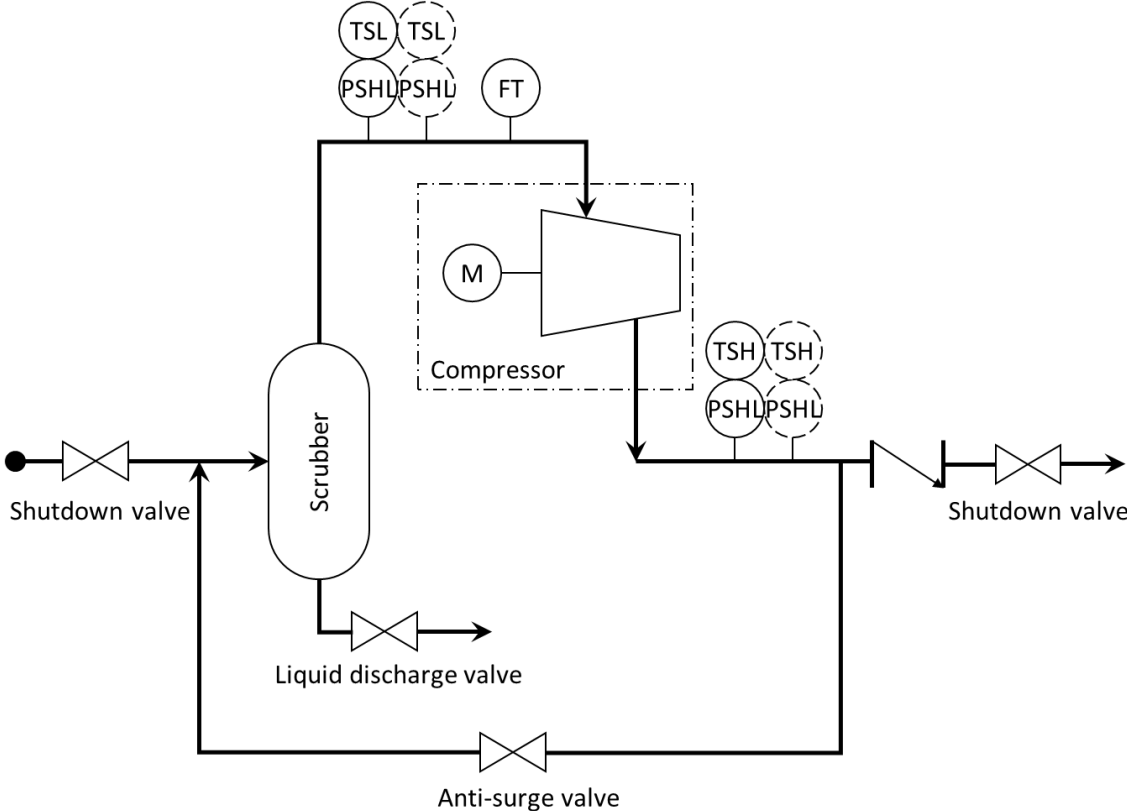
Focus: Subsea processing system
(Extend the discussion to the general use of STPA)

Focus: Subsea safety system
(More focus on specific features of subsea systems)

STPA to Subsea Gas Compression

ESREL 2018

System Description

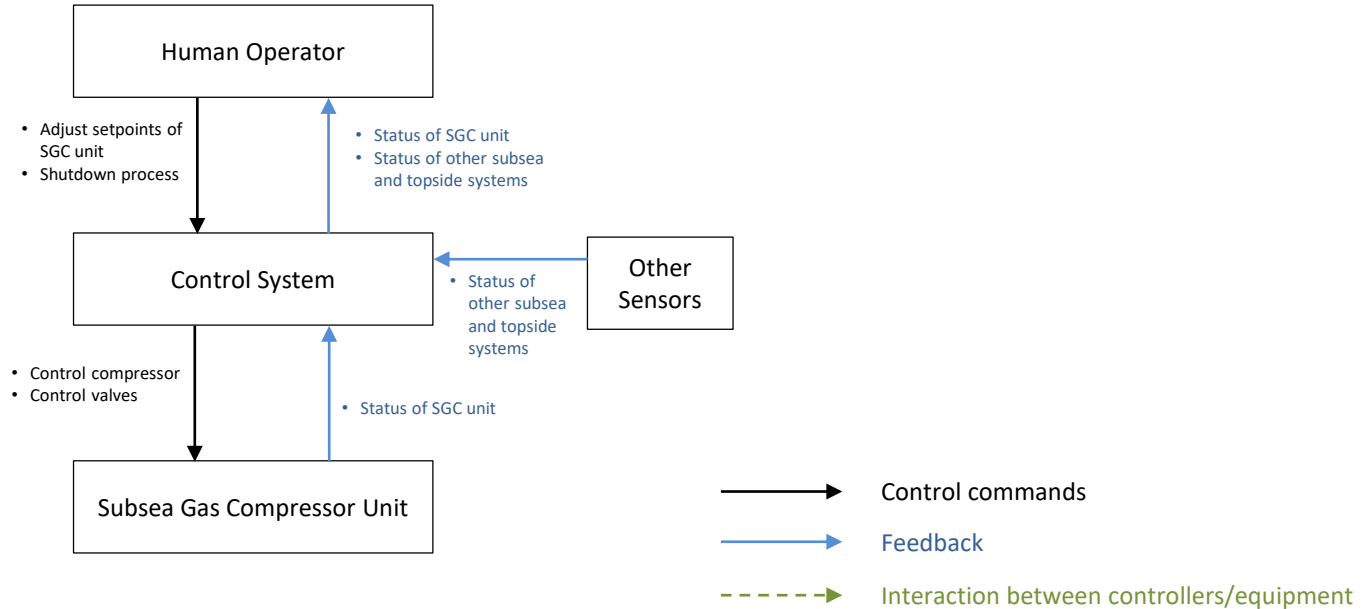


STPA Step 0 – System level accidents/hazards/safety constraints

System	System-Level Accident	System-Level Hazard	System-Level Safety Constraints
Subsea Gas Compression System*	SLA1: People die or are injured due to large amount of gas release (e.g., loss of buoyancy of nearby vessels, fire/explosion on topside)	SLH1: SGC unit continues to supply gas when gas leaks to the environment	SLSC1: SGC unit must stop compressing gas when gas leaks to the environment
	SLA2: The sea is polluted due to large amount of gas release		
	SLA3: Valuable subsea components are damaged	SLH2: Compressor operates outside normal operation conditions	SLSC2: Compressor must be protected from extreme operating conditions that can damage the compressor
	SLA4: Production is reduced or interrupted when compression is needed	SLH3: SGC unit stops compressing gas when compression is needed	SLSC3: SGC unit must never stop compressing gas when gas compression is needed
		SLH4: Compressor operates outside optimal conditions	SLSC4: SGC must be operated within optimal conditions

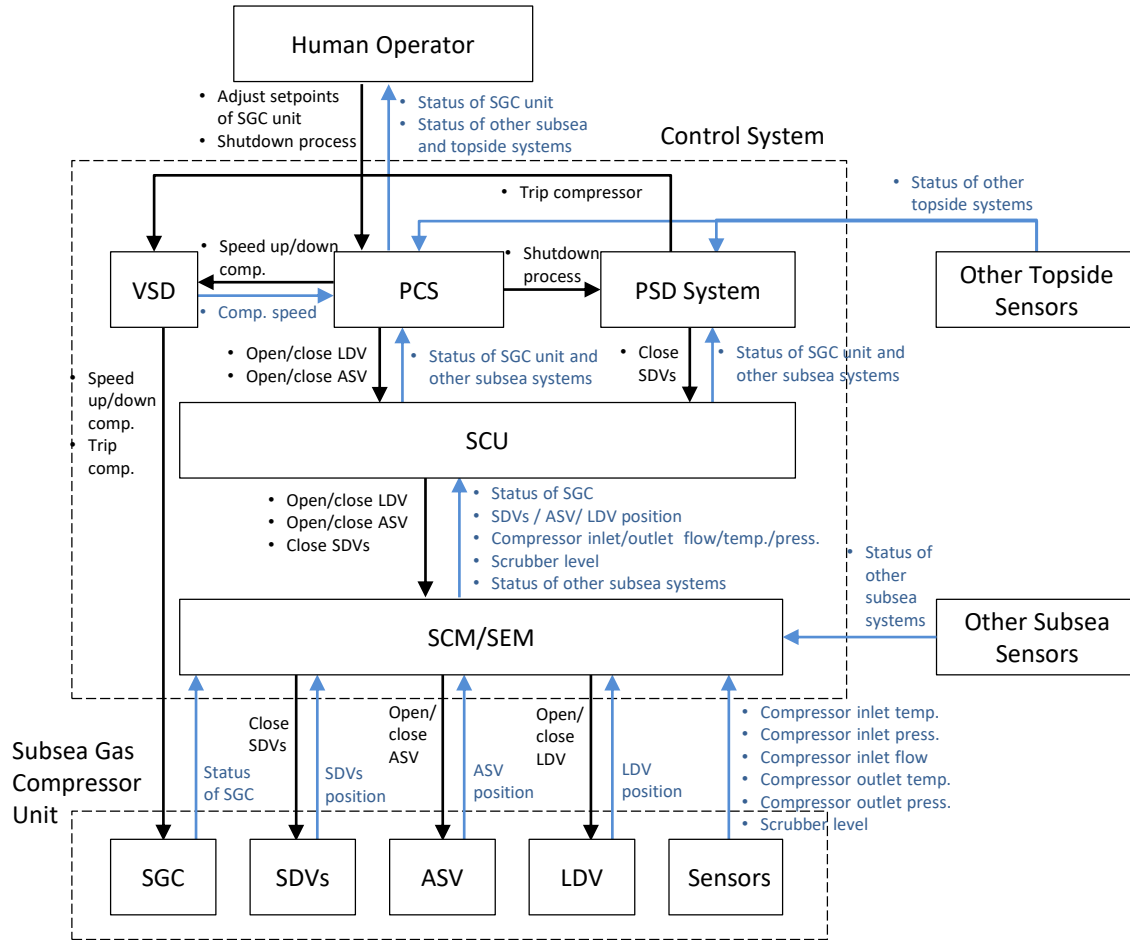
*It is assumed that the system is designed inherently safe

STPA Step 0 – Functional control structure



Scope: Processing after starting up (turning on compressor, opening shutdown valves are not included)

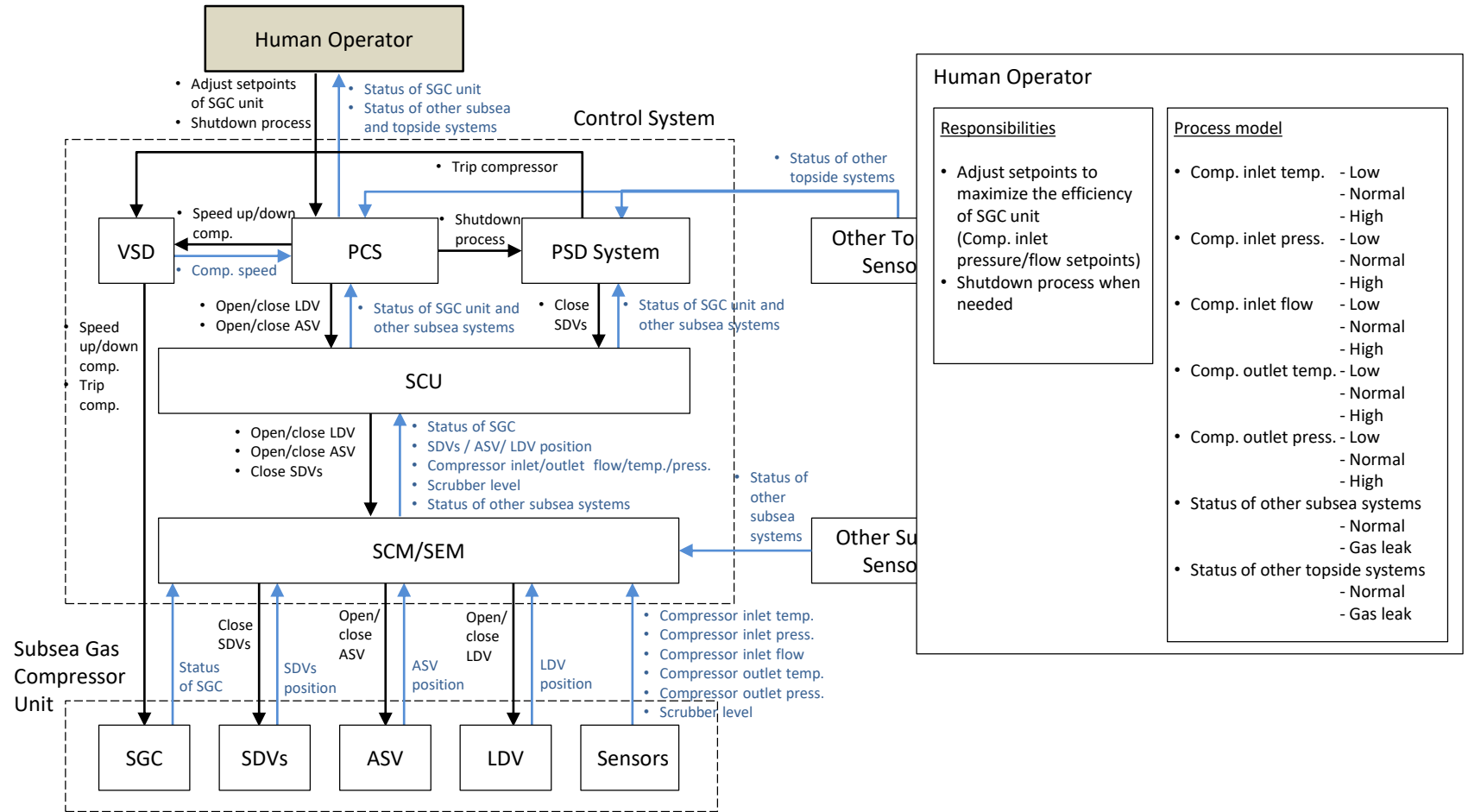
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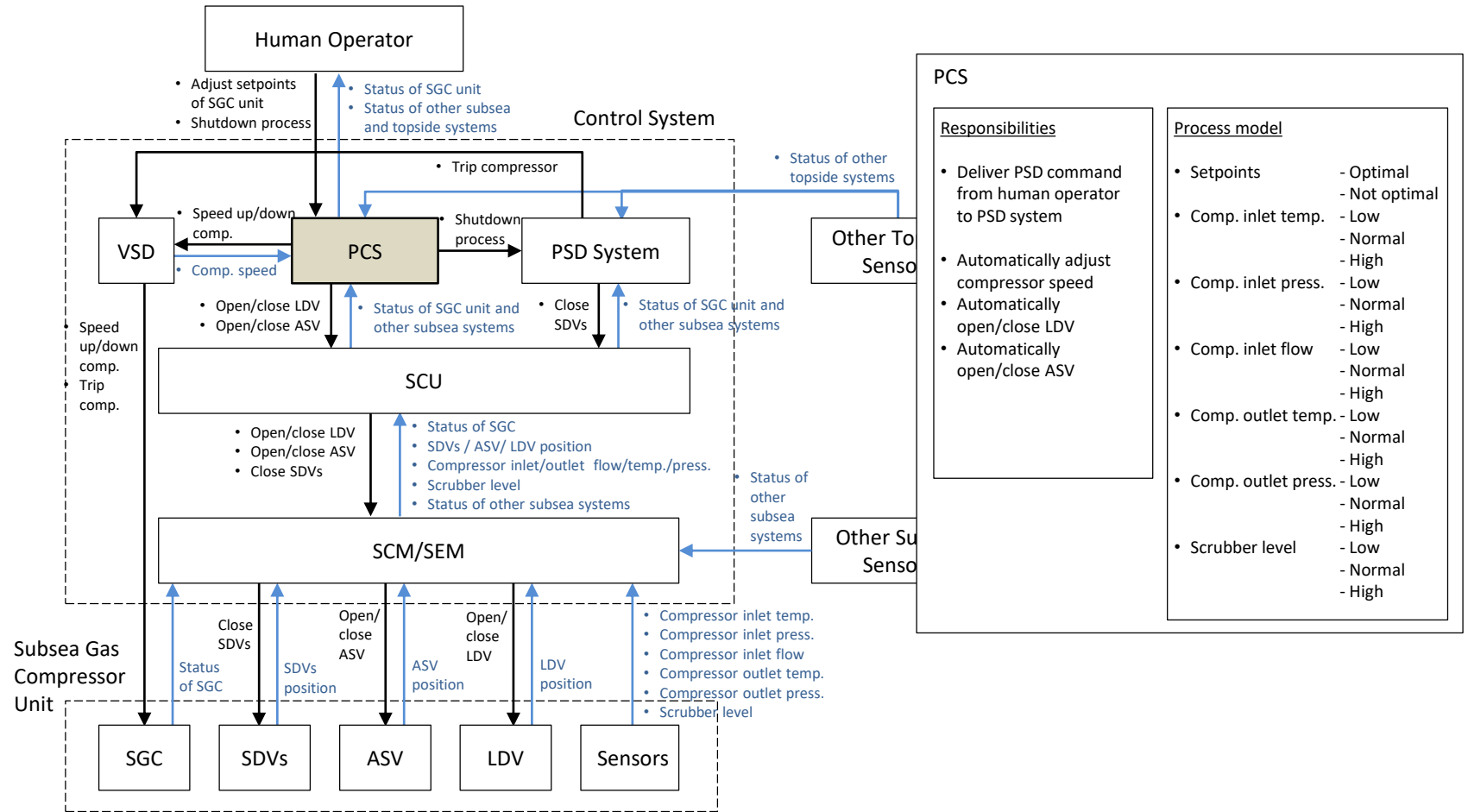
Abbreviation

- VSD: Variable Speed Drive
- PCS: Process Control System
- PSD: Process Shutdown
- SCU: Subsea Control Unit
- SCM: Subsea Control Module
- SEM: Subsea Electronic Module
- SGC: Subsea Gas Compressor
- SDV: Shutdown Valve
- ASV: Anti-Surge Valve
- LDV: Liquid Discharge Valve

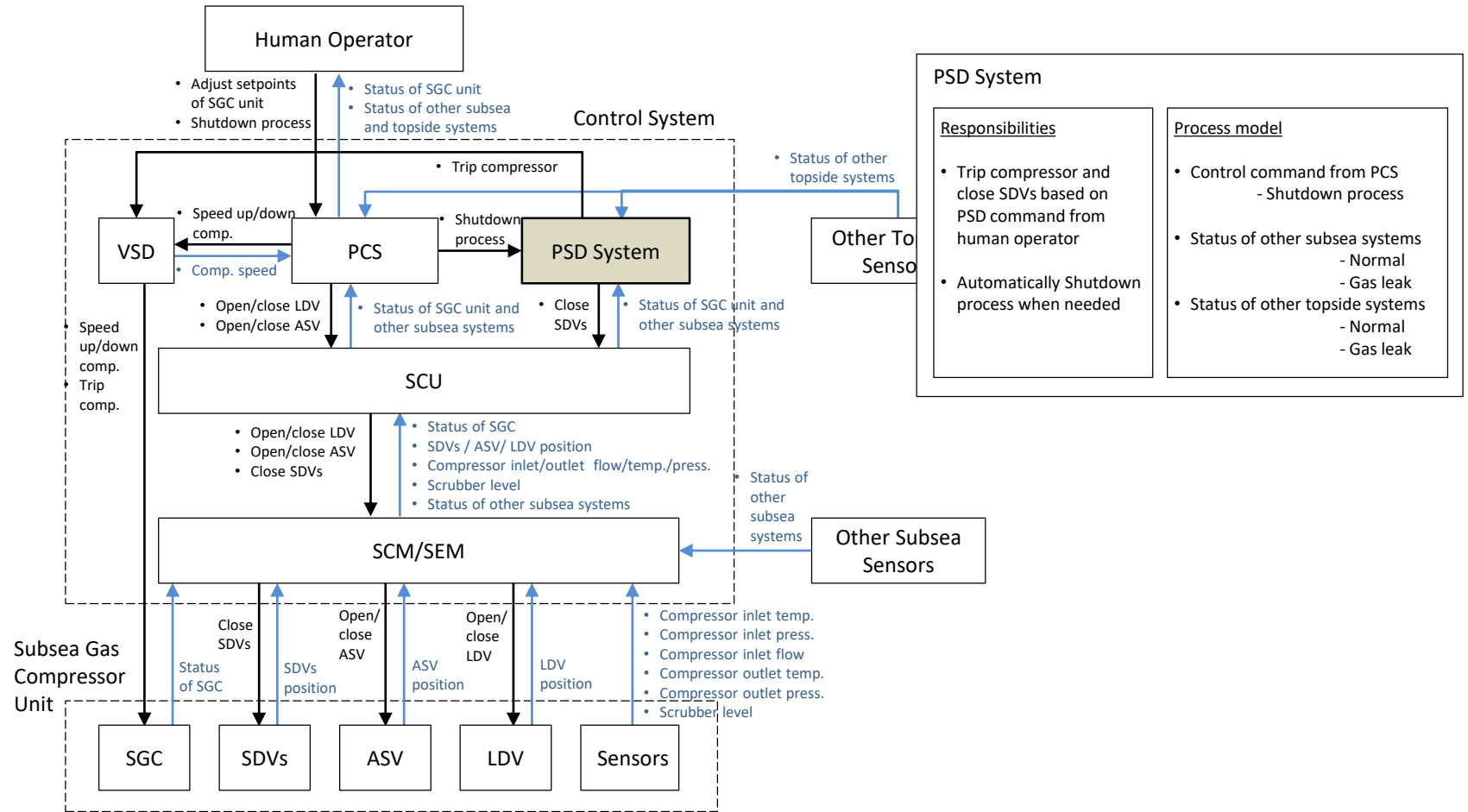
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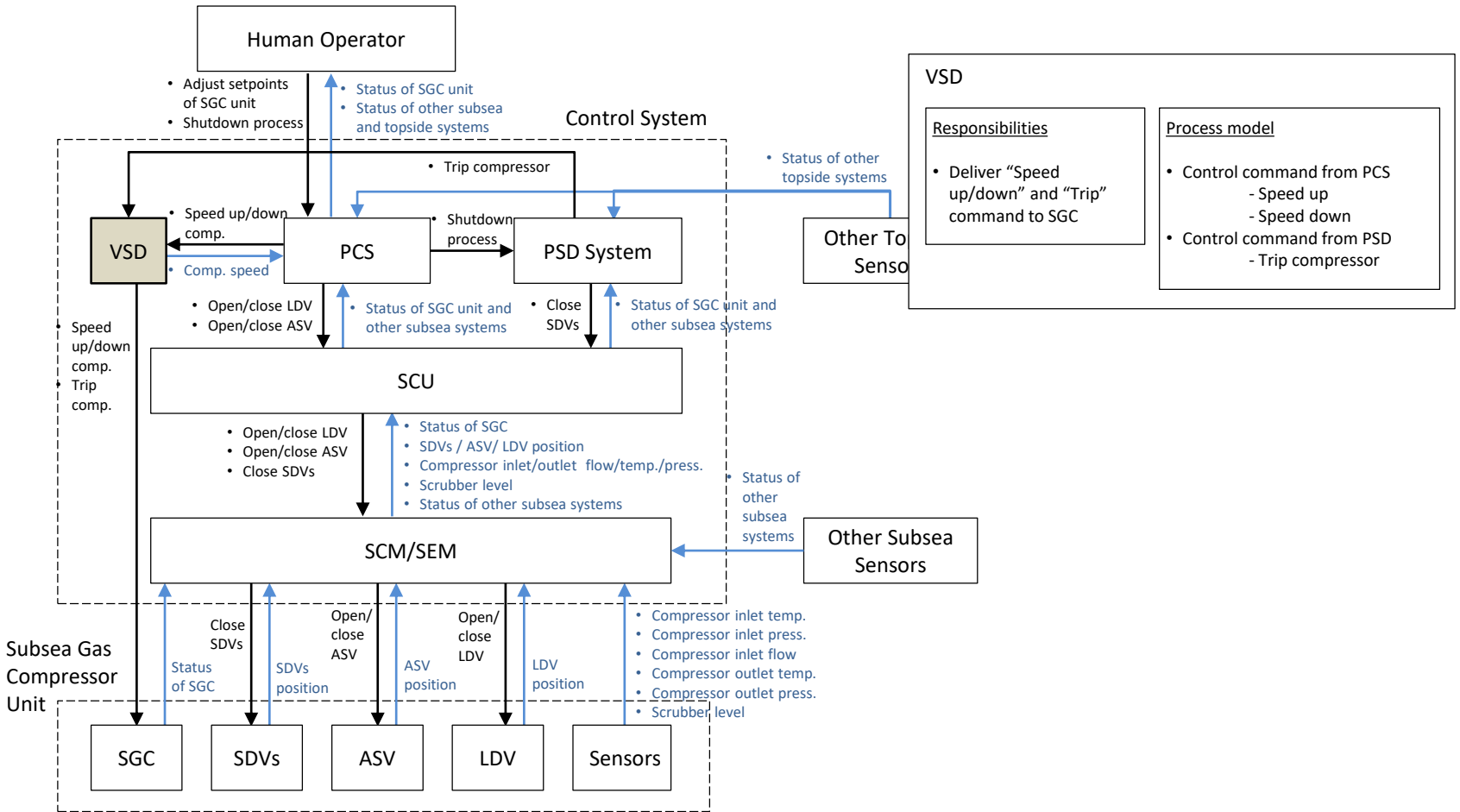
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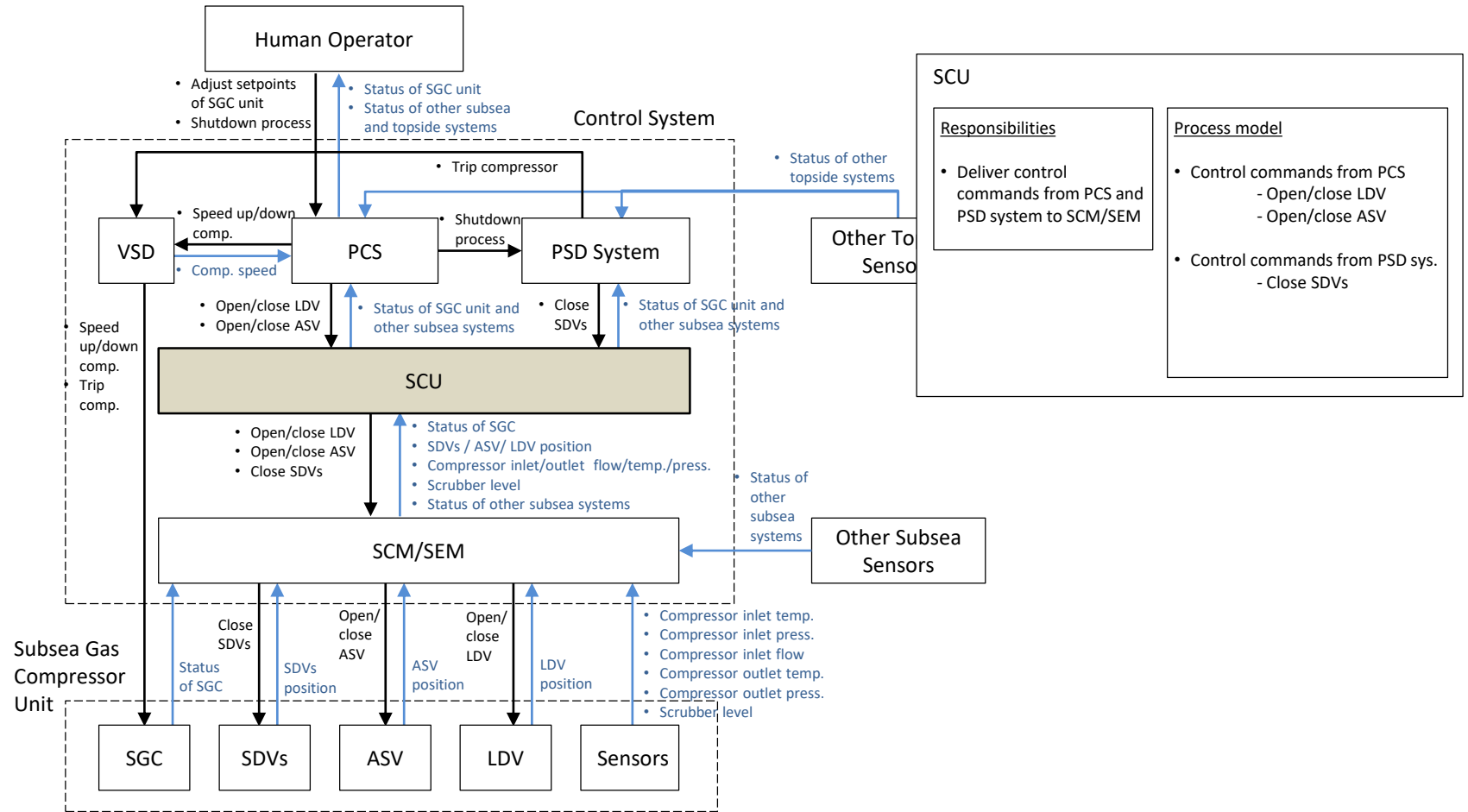
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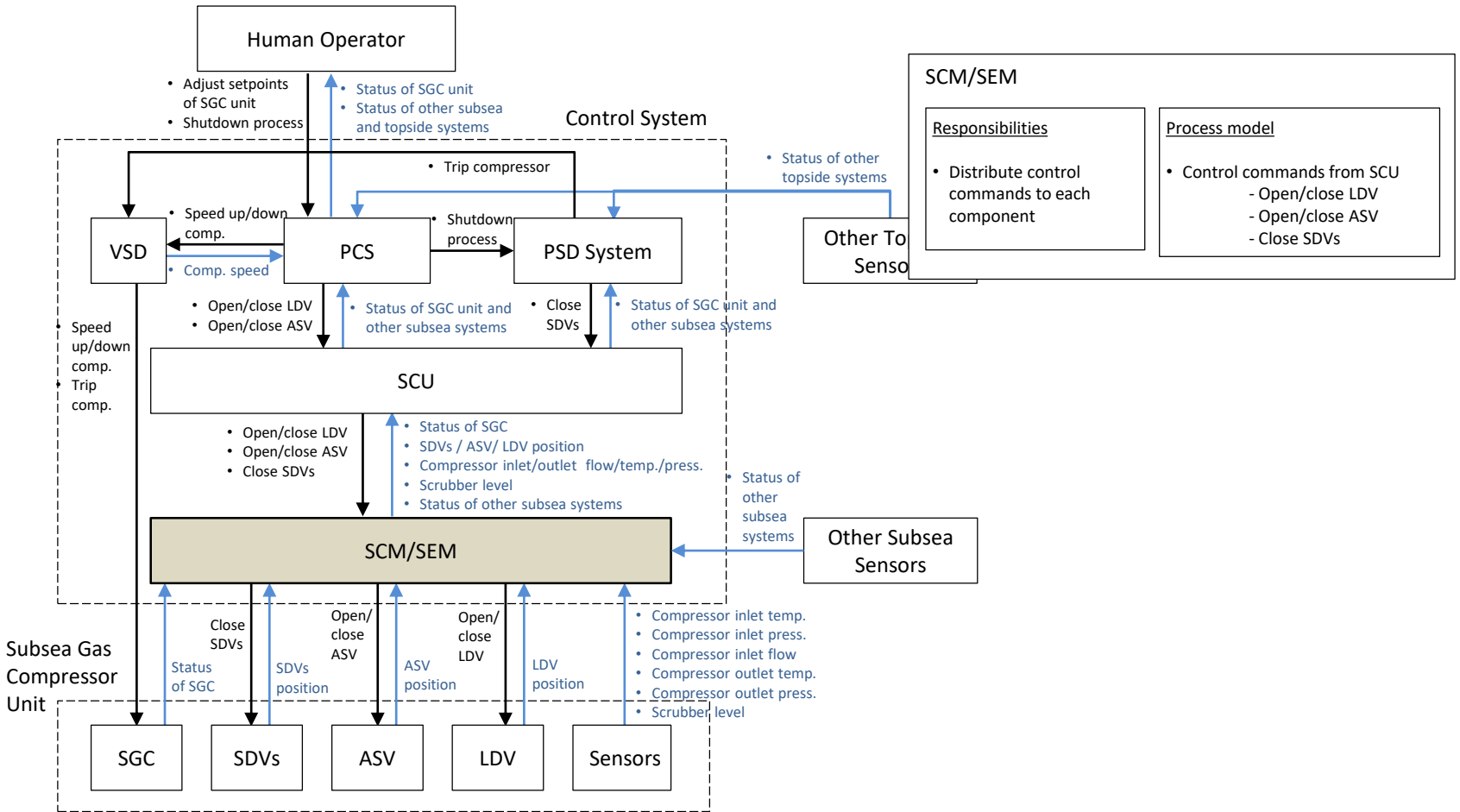
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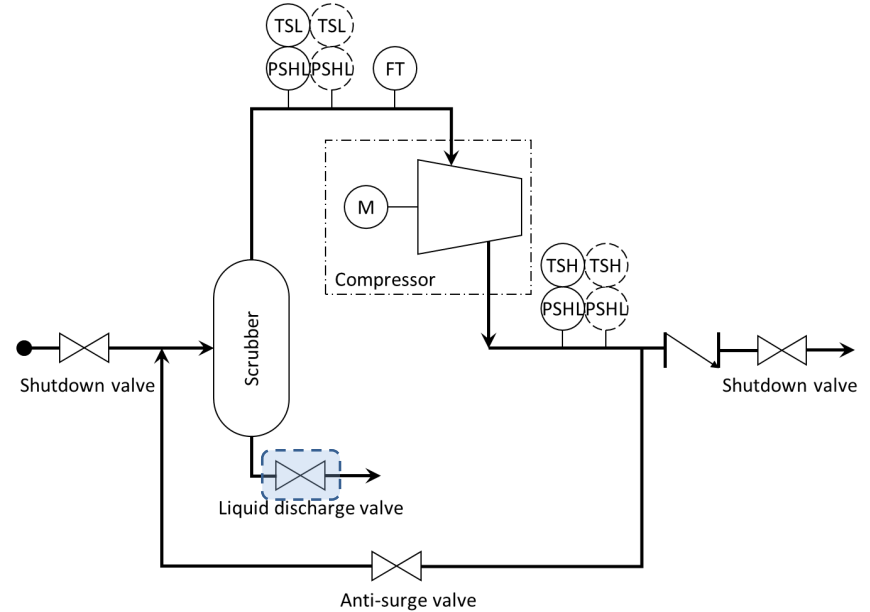


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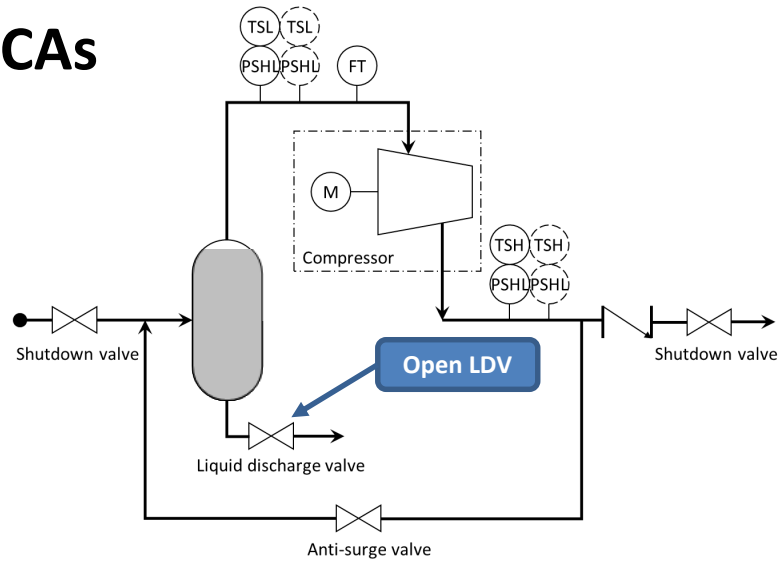


STPA Step 1 – Identifying UCAs

PCS	
<p><u>Responsibilities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deliver PSD command from human operator to PSD system • Automatically adjust compressor speed • Automatically open/close LDV • Automatically open/close ASV 	<p><u>Process model</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set points - Optimal - Not optimal • Comp. inlet temp. - Low - Normal - High • Comp. inlet press. - Low - Normal - High • Comp. inlet flow - Low - Normal - High • Comp. outlet temp. - Low - Normal - High • Comp. outlet press. - Low - Normal - High • Scrubber level - Low - Normal - High



STPA Step 1 – Identifying UCAs



Controller : PCS								
No	Control Action	Condition	Unsafe Control Actions?					
		Scrubber level	Not provided	Provided	Too early	Too late	Too short	Too long
1	Open LDV	High	Unsafe	Safe	Safe	Unsafe	Unsafe	Safe
2		Normal	Safe	Safe	Safe	Safe	Safe	Safe
3		Low	Safe	Unsafe	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
4	Close LDV	High						
5		Normal						
6		Low						

STPA Step 1 – Identifying UCAs

Controller : PCS								
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2		Normal	Safe	Safe	Safe	Safe	Safe	Safe
3		Low	Safe	Unsafe [H2]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
4	Close LDV	High	Safe	Unsafe [H2]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
5		Normal	Safe	Safe	Safe	Safe	Safe	Safe
6		Low	Unsafe [H2]	Safe	Safe	Unsafe [H2]	Unsafe [H2]	Safe

UCA.PCS.LDV.001: *Open LDV* command is not provided when scrubber level is high

UCA.PCS.LDV.002: *Open LDV* command is provided too late when scrubber level is high

UCA.PCS.LDV.003: *Open LDV* command is provided too short when scrubber level is high

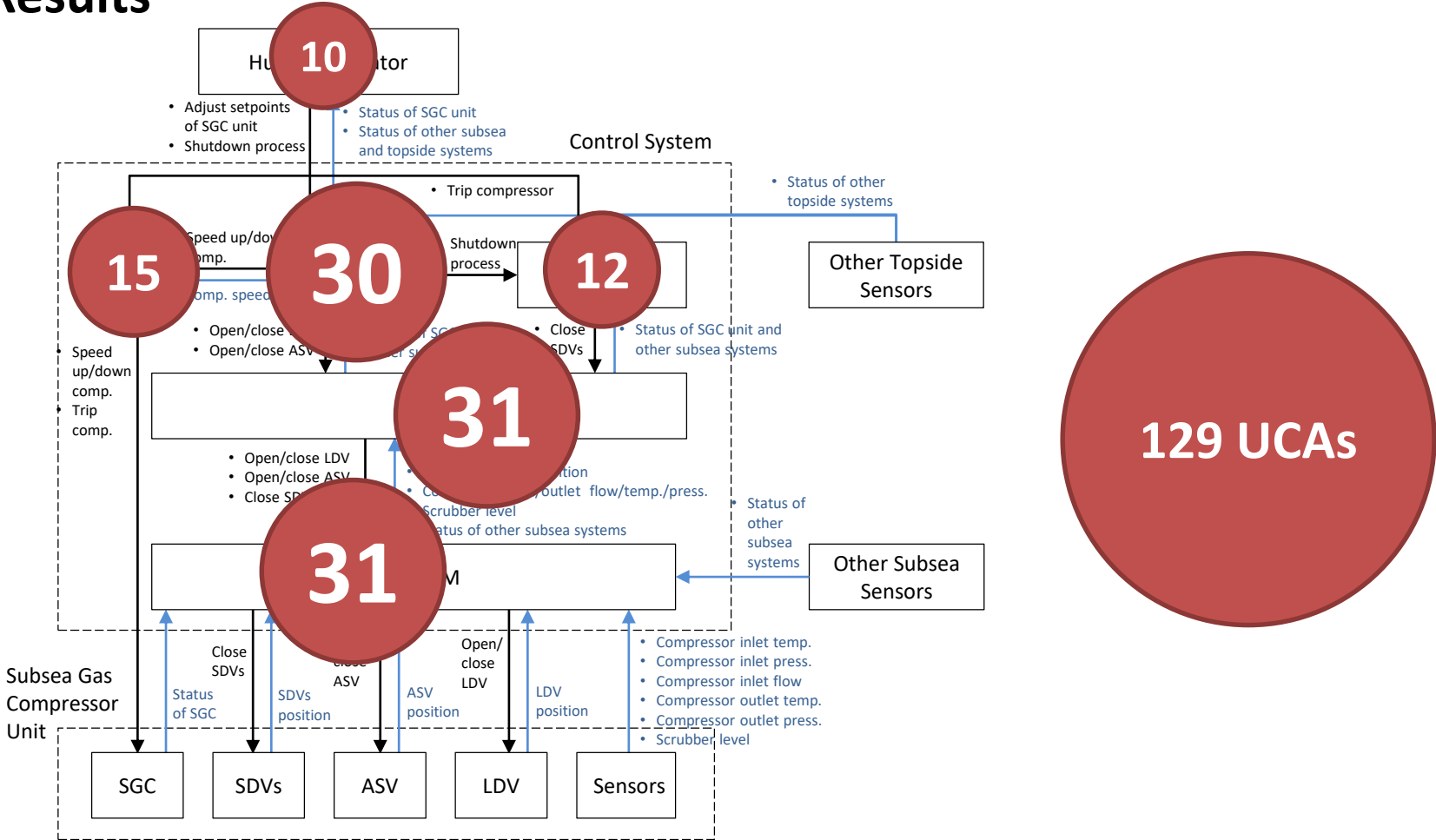
UCA.PCS.LDV.004: *Open LDV* command is provided when scrubber level is low

UCA.PCS.LDV.005: *Close LDV* command is provided when scrubber level is high

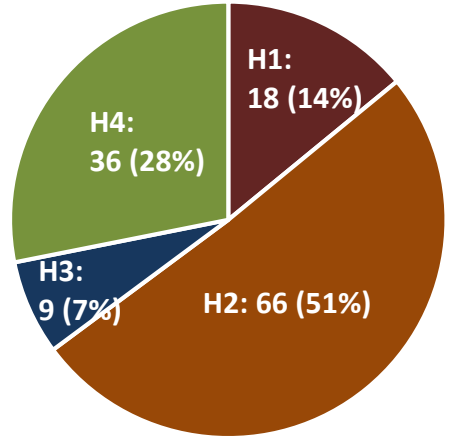
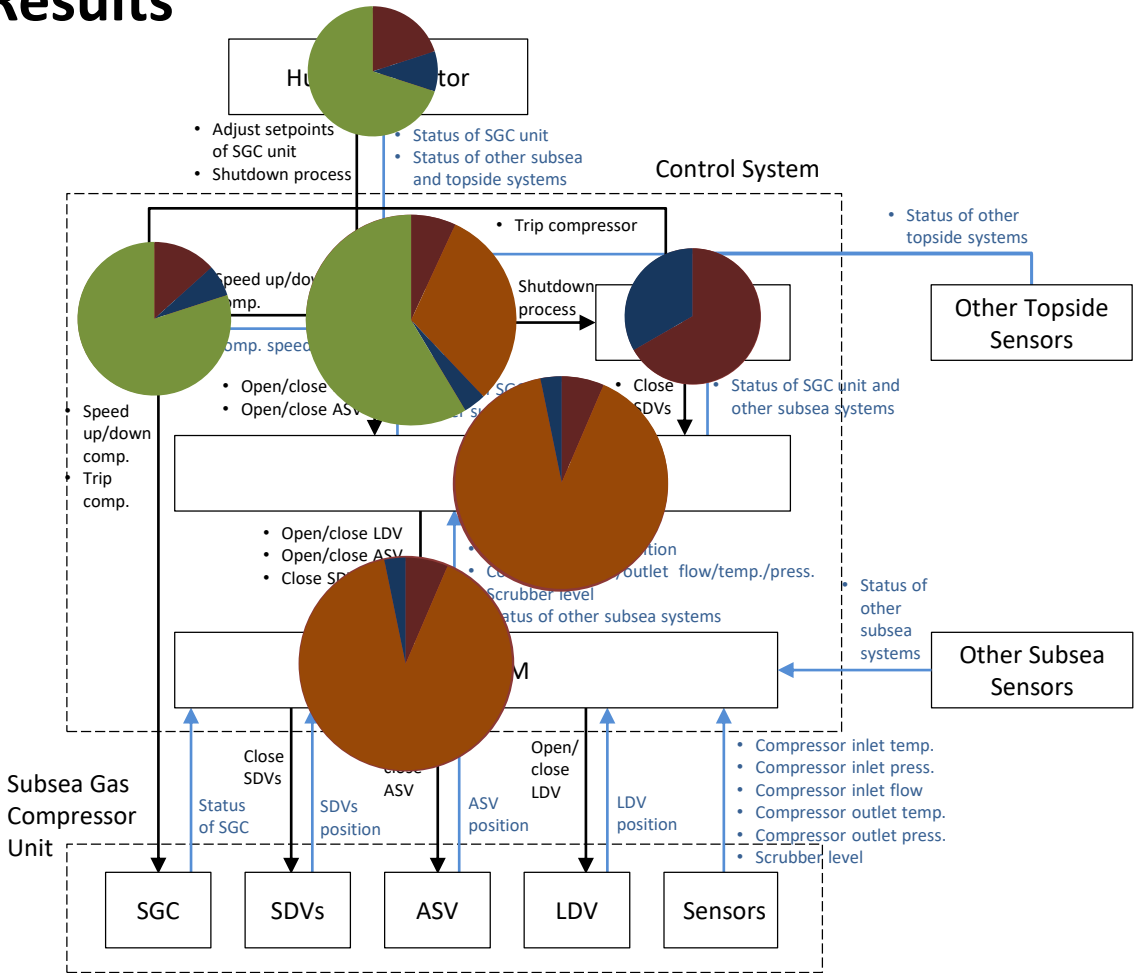
STPA Step 2: Identifying Causes of UCAs and Safety Constrains

UCA-PCS001: Open LDV command is not provided when scrubber level is high		
Scenario	Associated Causal Factors	Safety Constraints
PCS receives wrong measurement of scrubber level	Drift of scrubber LT	SC-PCS001-01: Scrubber LT must be calibrated periodically SC-PCS001-02: Scrubber LT must have 2oo3 configuration
PCS receives no measurement of scrubber level	No power supply to scrubber LT	SC-PCS001-03: PCS must generate an alarm when no signal is received from scrubber LT SC-PCS001-04: Scrubber LT must be connected to UPS
	Broken signal wires from scrubber LT to PCS	SC-PCS001-03: PCS must generate an alarm when no signal is received from scrubber LT SC-PCS001-05: Signal wires must be inspected periodically
PCS receives correct measurement, but PCS does not provide open LDV command	Wrong logic inside PCS	SC-PCS001-06: PCS logic to generate "open LDV" command must be fully tested during commissioning period

Results



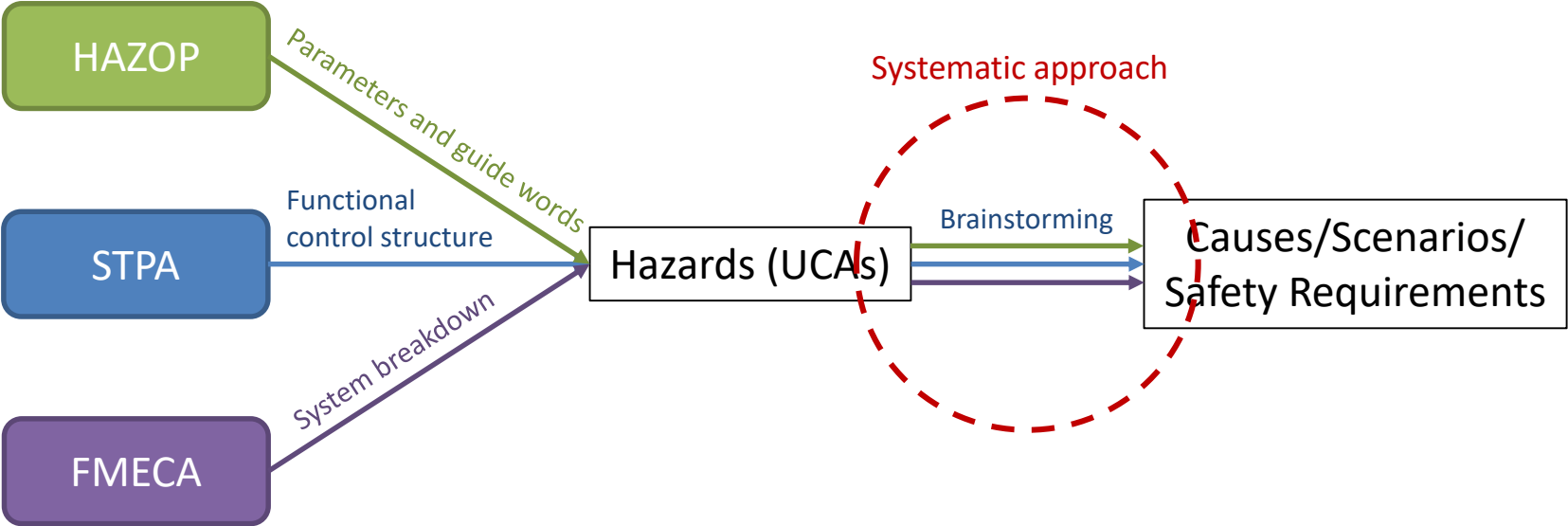
Results



- H1: Gas leak (human & Env.)
- H2: Compressor damage
- H3: Unnecessary production stop
- H4: Low efficiency

Discussion

1) Identifying Causes, Scenarios, and Safety Requirements



Discussion

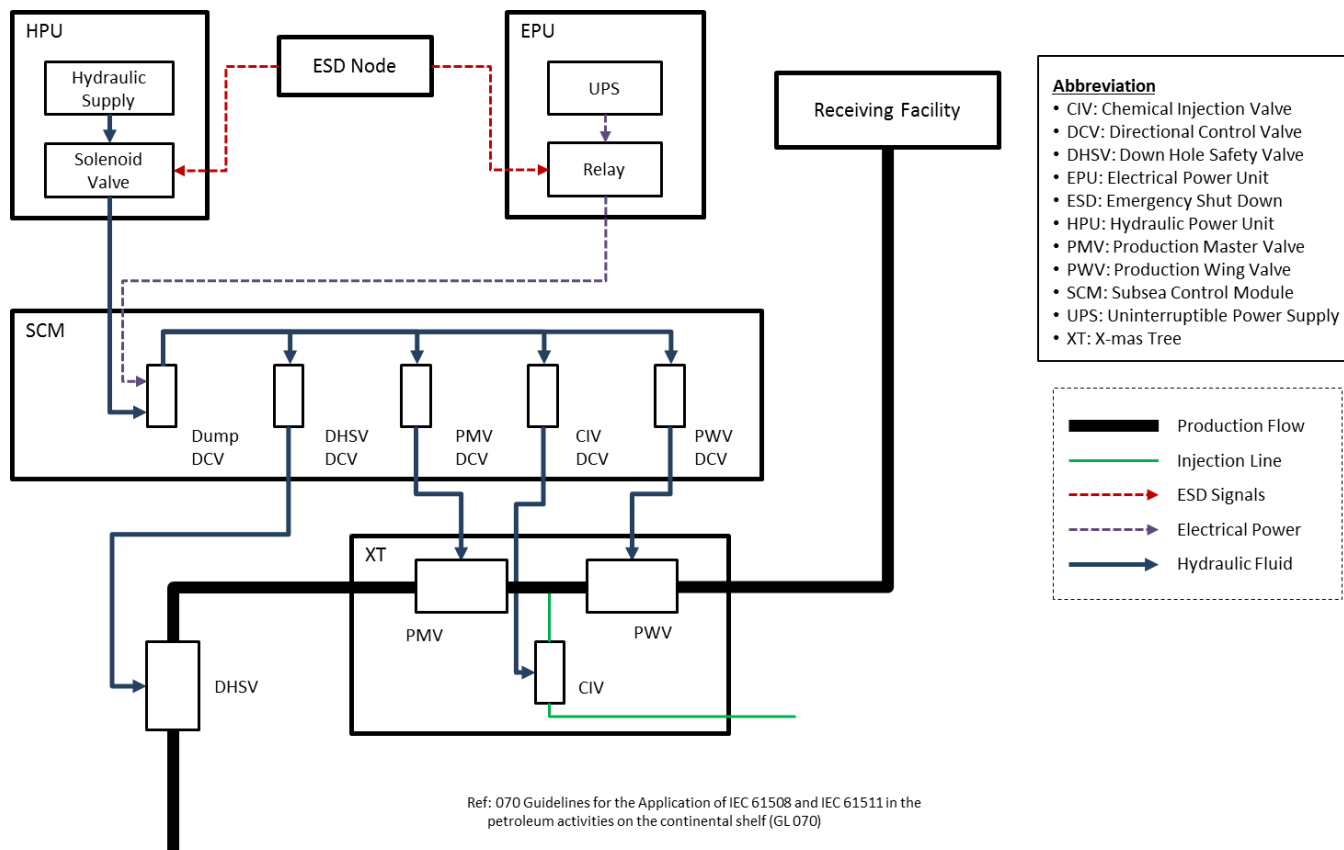
2) Quantification (evaluation, prioritization)

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STPA to Isolation of Subsea Wells

OTC 2018

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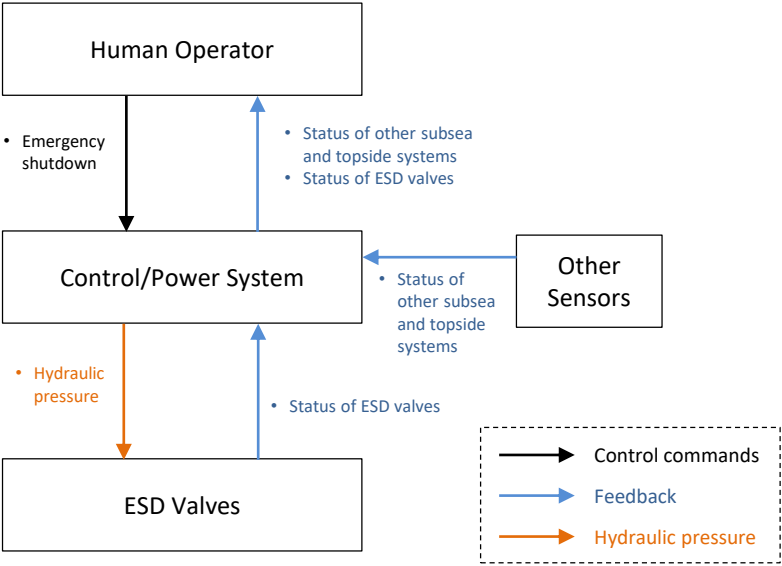


Ref: 070 Guidelines for the Application of IEC 61508 and IEC 61511 in the petroleum activities on the continental shelf (GL 070)

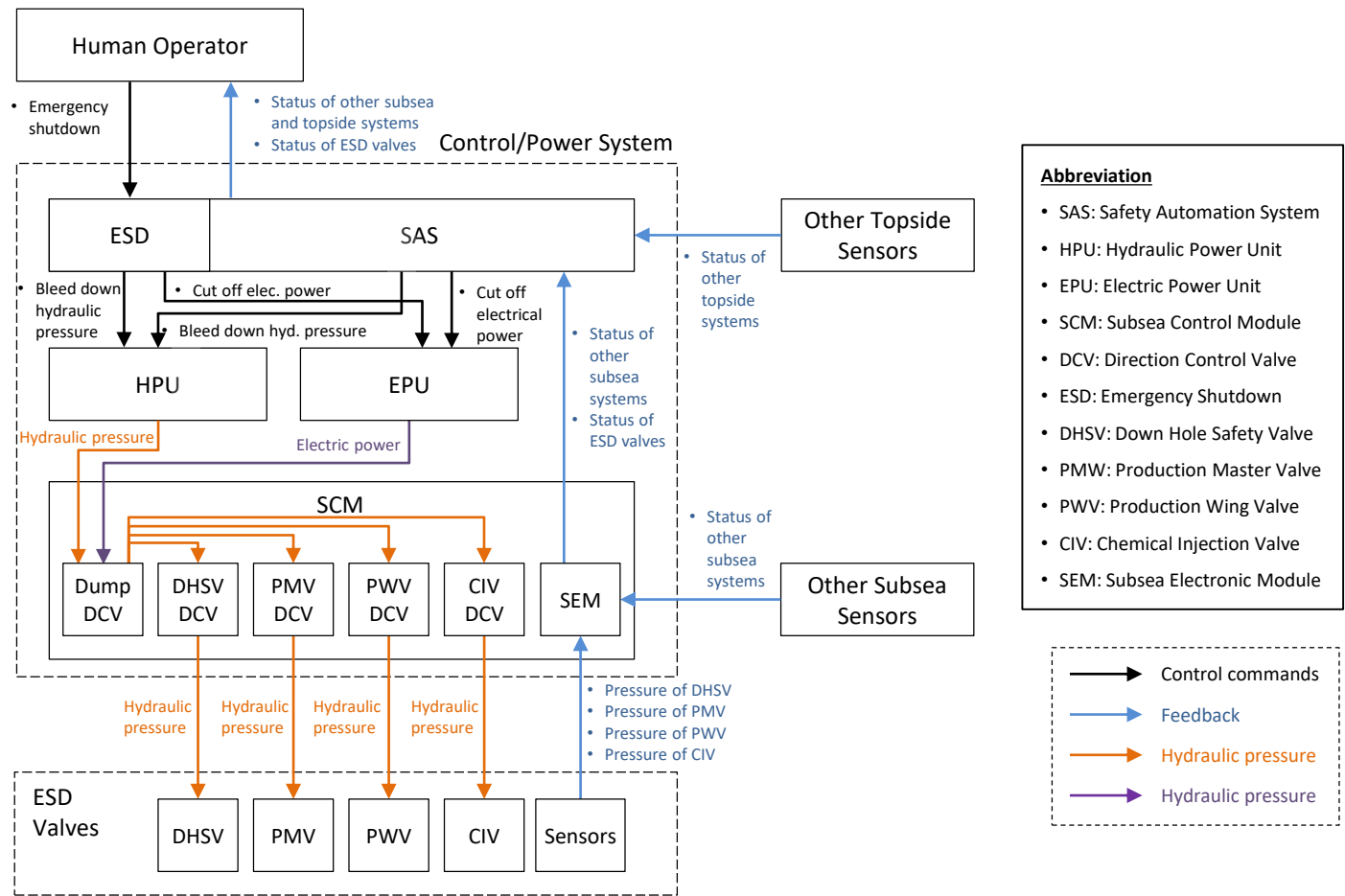
STPA Step 0 – System level accidents/hazards/safety constraints

System	Accident	Hazard	Safety Constraints
Emergency Shut Down (ESD) System – Isolation of Subsea Well	SLA1: People die or are injured due to fire and/or explosion	SLH1: Hydrocarbons are released at manned platform or inside safety zone, and ignite	SLSC1: Hydrocarbons must never be released at manned platform or inside safety zone SLSC2: Released hydrocarbons must never be ignited
	SLA2: The sea is polluted due to hydrocarbon release	SLH2: ESD system is not able to shut down subsea wells when hydrocarbons are released to the environment	SLSC3: ESD system must always shut down subsea wells when hydrocarbons are released to the environment
	SLA3: Production is interrupted unnecessarily	SLH3: ESD system shuts down subsea wells when hydrocarbons are not released to the environment	SLSC4: ESD system must never shut down subsea wells when there is no hydrocarbon release

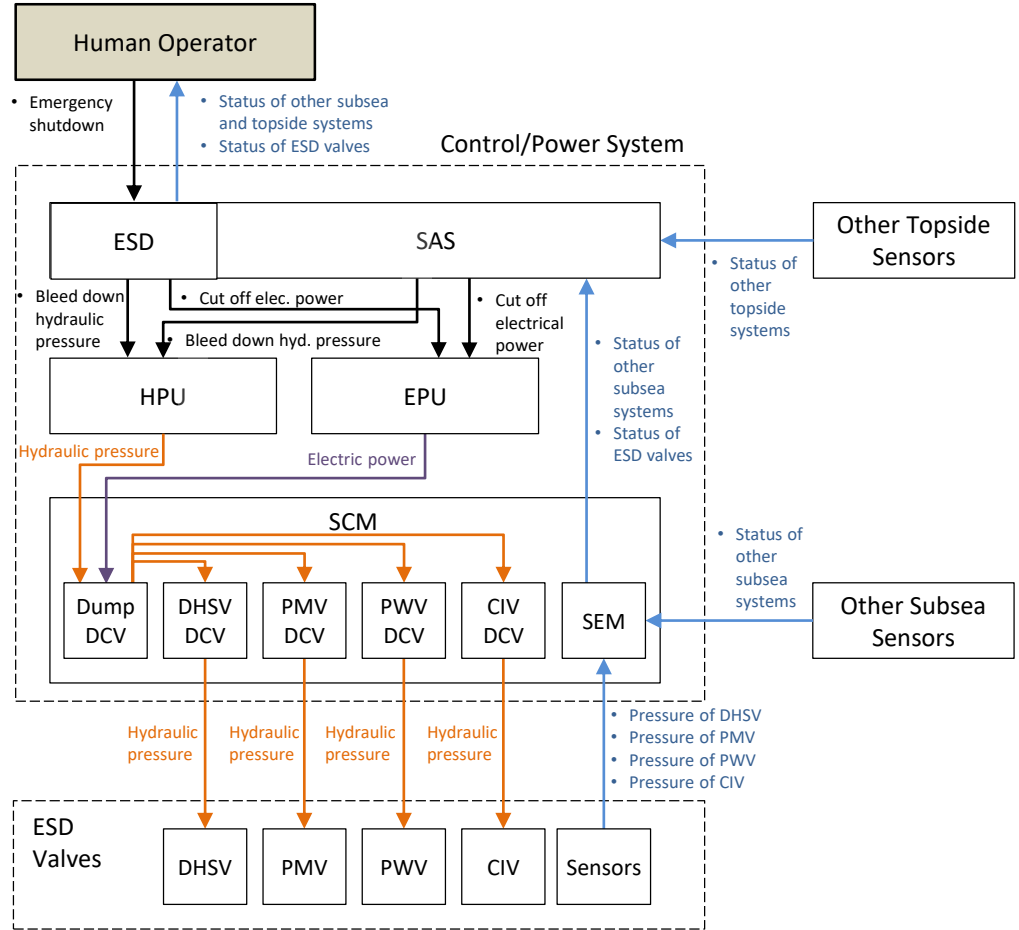
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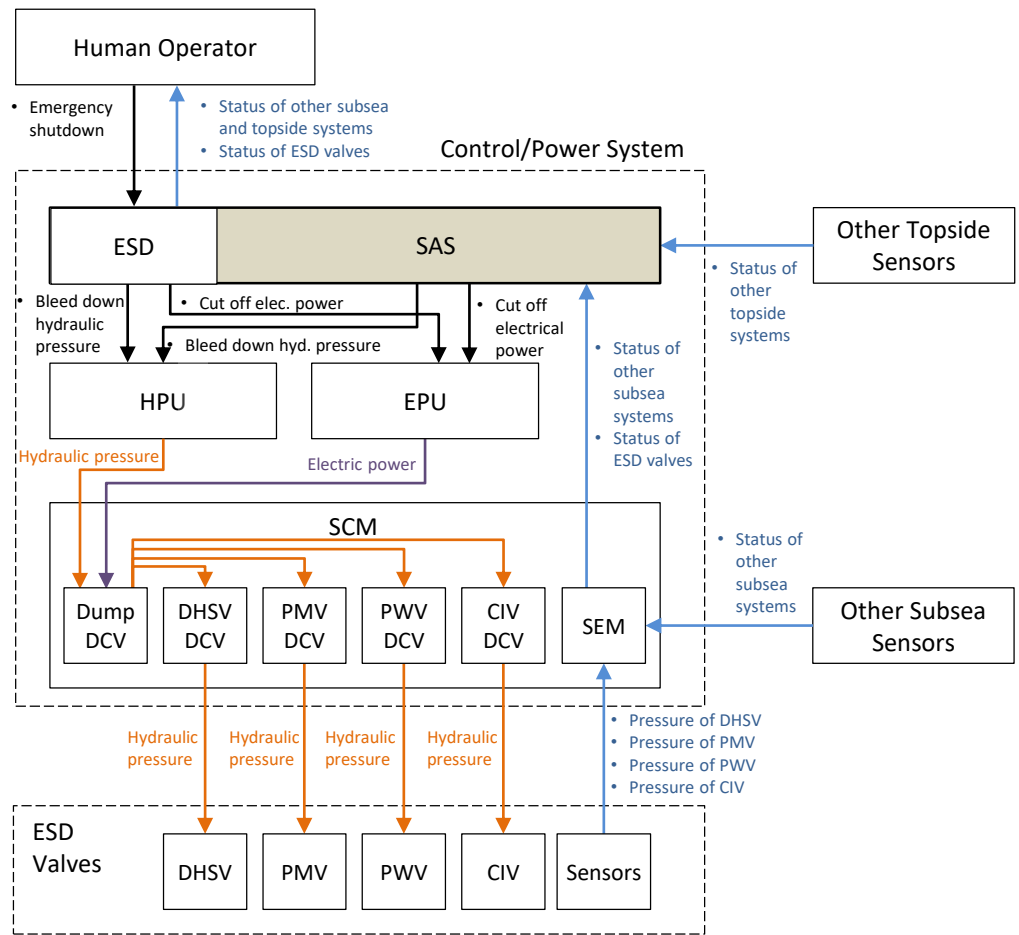


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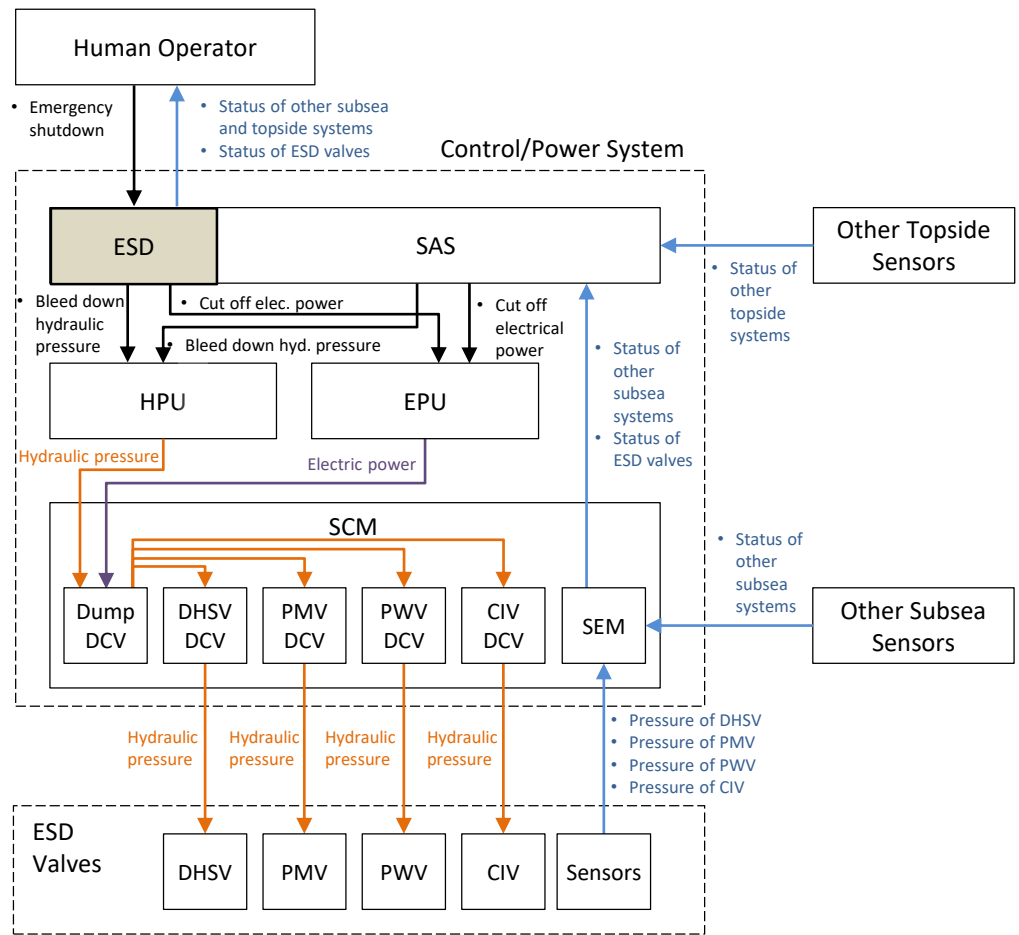
Human Operator	
<u>Responsibilities</u>	<u>Process model</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manually shutdown ESD valves in an emergency 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Occurrence of an emergency – Yes - No

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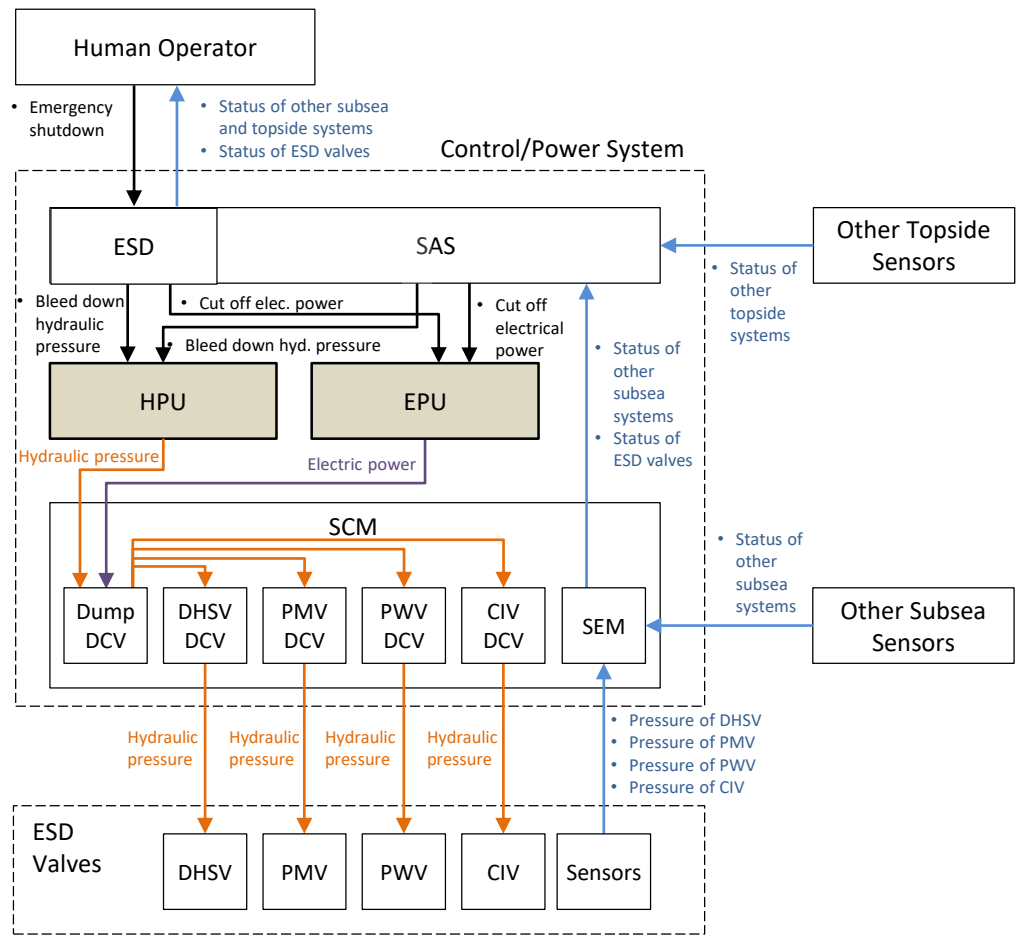
SAS	
<p><u>Responsibilities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Automatically shutdown ESD valves when pre-defined abnormal conditions are detected 	<p><u>Process model</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gas at HVAC inlet - Detected / - Not detected Gas in non-hazardous area - Detected / - Not detected Gas in hazardous area - Detected / - Not detected Fire in hazardous area - Detected / - Not detected Gas/water heat exchanger tube - Ruptured / - Normal

STPA Step 0 – Functional control structure



ESD	
<p><u>Responsibilities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shutdown ESD valves when human operator provides emergency shutdown command 	<p><u>Process model</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Control command from human <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Emergency shutdown - None

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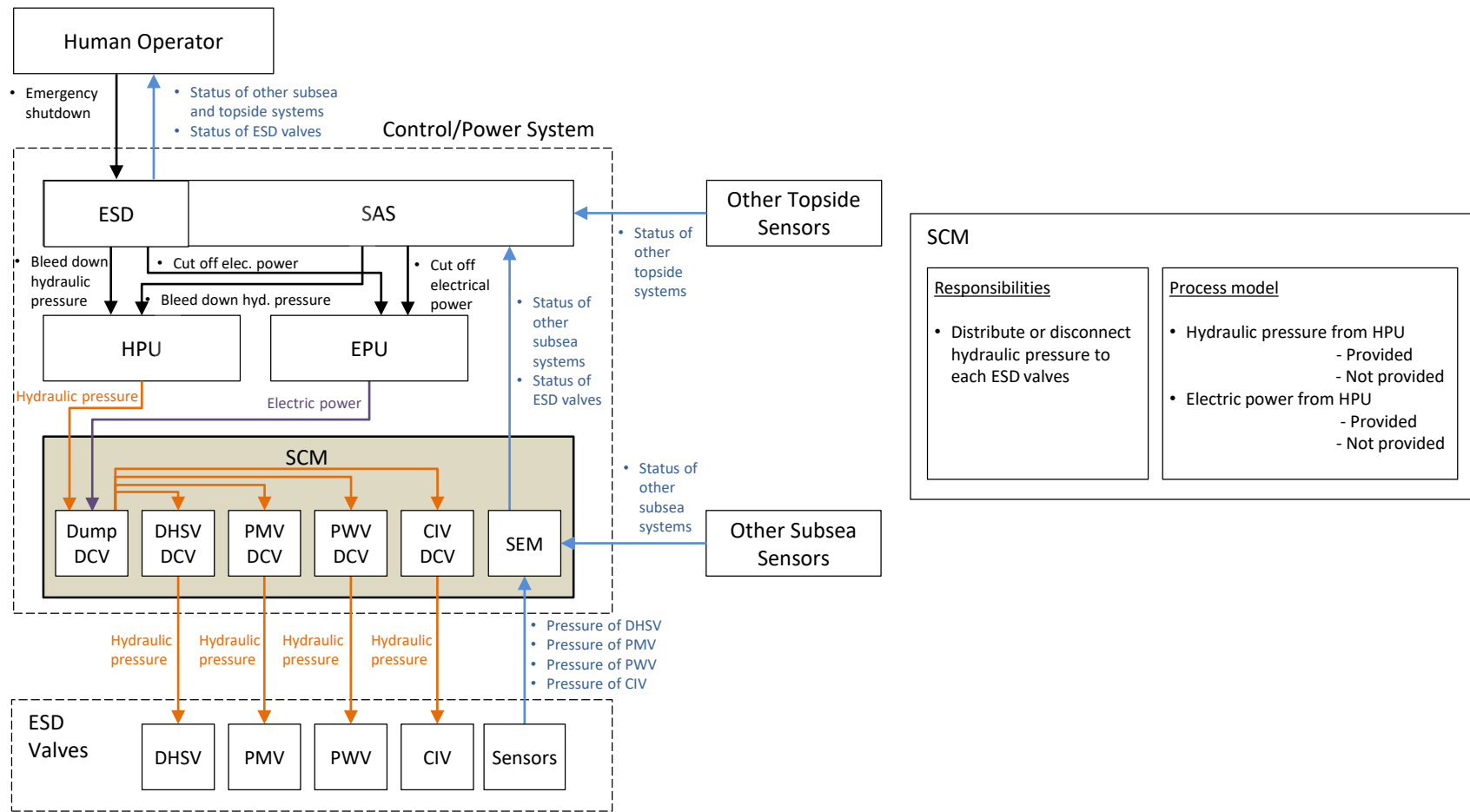
HPU

Responsibilities	Process model
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bleed down hydraulic pressure when ESD or SAS provides bleed down hydraulic pressure command 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Control command from ESD or SAS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bleed down hydraulic pressure None

EPU

Responsibilities	Process model
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cut off electrical power when Human Operator or SAS provides cut off electrical power command 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Control command from ESD or SAS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cut off electric power None

STPA Step 0 – Functional control structure



SCM	
<p><u>Responsibilities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distribute or disconnect hydraulic pressure to each ESD valves 	<p><u>Process model</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hydraulic pressure from HPU <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provided - Not provided Electric power from HPU <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provided - Not provided

STPA Step 1 – Identifying UCAs

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Controller : SAS								
No	Control Action	Condition	Unsafe Control Actions?					
		Pre-defined abnormal conditions	Not provided	Provided	Too early	Too late	Too short	Too long
1	Bleed down hydraulic pressure	Occurred	Unsafe [H1,H2]	Safe	N/A	Unsafe [H1,H2]	Unsafe [H1,H2]	N/A
2		Not occurred	Safe	Unsafe [H3]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
3	Cut off electrical power	Occurred	Unsafe [H1,H2]	Safe	N/A	Unsafe [H1,H2]	Unsafe [H1,H2]	N/A
4		Not occurred	Safe	Unsafe [H3]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

STPA Step 1 – Identifying UCAs

No	UCAs
UCA.HOP.001	Human Operator does not provide emergency shutdown command when an emergency occurs [H1,H2]
UCA.HOP.002	Human Operator provides emergency shutdown command too late when an emergency occurs [H1,H2]
UCA.HOP.003	Human Operator provides emergency shutdown command when an emergency does not occur [H3]
UCA.ESD.001	ESD does not provide bleed down hydraulic pressure command when Human Operator provides emergency shutdown command [H1,H2]
UCA.ESD.002	ESD provides bleed down hydraulic pressure command too late when Human Operator provides emergency shutdown command [H1,H2]
UCA.ESD.003	ESD provides bleed down hydraulic pressure command too short when Human Operator provides emergency shutdown command [H1,H2]
UCA.ESD.004	ESD provides bleed down hydraulic pressure command when Human Operator does not provide emergency shutdown command [H3]
UCA.ESD.005	ESD does not provide cut off electrical power command when Human Operator provides emergency shutdown command [H1,H2]
UCA.ESD.006	ESD provides cut off electrical power command too late when Human Operator provides emergency shutdown command [H1,H2]
UCA.ESD.007	ESD provides cut off electrical power command too short when Human Operator provides emergency shutdown command [H1,H2]
UCA.ESD.008	ESD provides cut off electrical power command when Human Operator does not provide emergency shutdown command [H3]
UCA.SAS.001	SAS does not provide bleed down hydraulic pressure command when pre-defined abnormal conditions are detected [H1,H2]
UCA.SAS.002	SAS provides bleed down hydraulic pressure command too late when pre-defined abnormal conditions are detected [H1,H2]
UCA.SAS.003	SAS provides bleed down hydraulic pressure command too short when pre-defined abnormal conditions are detected [H1,H2]
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UCA.SAS.006	SAS provides cut off electrical power command too late when pre-defined abnormal conditions are detected [H1,H2]
UCA.SAS.007	SAS provides cut off electrical power command too short when pre-defined abnormal conditions are detected [H1,H2]
UCA.SAS.008	SAS provides cut off electrical power command when pre-defined abnormal conditions are not detected [H3]
UCA.HPU.001	HPU provides hydraulic pressure when ESD or SAS provides bleed down hydraulic pressure command [H1,H2]
UCA.HPU.002	HPU does not provide hydraulic pressure too late when ESD or SAS provides bleed down hydraulic pressure command [H1,H2]
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UCA.SCM.001	SCM does not distribute hydraulic pressure when hydraulic pressure or electric power is supplied [H3]
UCA.SCM.002	SCM distributes hydraulic pressure when hydraulic pressure or electric power is not supplied [H1,H2]
UCA.SCM.003	SCM does not distribute hydraulic pressure too late when hydraulic pressure or electric power is not supplied [H1,H2]

STPA Step 2: Identifying Causes of UCAs and Safety Constrains

UCA.SAS.001: SAS does not provide bleed down hydraulic pressure command when pre-defined abnormal conditions have occurred		
Scenario	Associated Causal Factors	Safety Constraints
<u>SNR.SAS.001.02</u> SAS receives no information about pre-defined conditions	Failure of sensors	<u>SC.SAS.001.02.01</u> All sensors for pre-defined conditions must be tested periodically <u>SC.SAS.001.02.02</u> All sensors for pre-defined conditions must have redundancy (e.g., 2oo3 configuration)
	Broken signal wires between sensors and SAS	<u>SC.SAS.001.02.03</u> All signal wires for pre-defined conditions must be inspected periodically <u>SC.SAS.001.02.04</u> SAS must generate an alarm when no signal is received from any sensors for pre-defined conditions
	No power supply to sensors	<u>SC.SAS.001.02.05</u> All sensors for pre-defined conditions must be connected to redundant power supply or UPS <u>SC.SAS.001.02.04</u> SAS must generate an alarm when no signal is received from any sensors for pre-defined conditions

Discussion

1) Advantages of STPA – Wider scope

- STPA can cover human errors, software flaws, and physical component failures

SNR.HOP.001.02

The Human Operator is unaware of the emergency because sensors fail to detect the emergency, and therefore, the Human Operator does not provide the emergency shutdown command when an emergency occurs.

SNR.HOP.001.06

The Human Operator is unaware of the emergency because the SAS provides no alarm to the Human Operator due to a software flaw, and therefore, the Human Operator does not provide the emergency shutdown command when an emergency occurs.

Discussion

1) Advantages of STPA – Top-down approach

- Analysis can be refined with more details

- Gas leak at HVAC inlet
- Gas leak in non-hazardous area
- Gas leak in hazardous area
- Fire in hazardous area
- Gas/water heat exchanger tube

Controller : SAS								
No	Control Action	Condition	Unsafe Control Actions?					
		Pre-defined abnormal conditions	Not provided	Provided	Too early	Too late	Too short	Too long
1	Bleed down hydraulic pressure	Occurred	Unsafe [H1,H2]	Safe	N/A	Unsafe [H1,H2]	Unsafe [H1,H2]	N/A
2		Not occurred	Safe	Unsafe [H3]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
3	Cut off electrical power	Occurred	Unsafe [H1,H2]	Safe	N/A	Unsafe [H1,H2]	Unsafe [H1,H2]	N/A
4		Not occurred	Safe	Unsafe [H3]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Discussion

Controller : SAS												
No	Control Action	Condition					Unsafe Control Actions?					
		Gas at HVAC inlet	GAS in non-hazardous area	Gas in hazardous area	Fire in hazardous area	Gas/water heat exchanger	Not provided	Provided	Too early	Too late	Too short	Too long
1	Bleed down hydraulic pressure	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected	Normal						
2		Detected	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected	Normal						
3		Not detected	Detected	Not detected	Not detected	Normal						
4		Not detected	Not detected	Detected	Not detected	Normal						
5		Not detected	Not detected	Not detected	Detected	Normal						
6		Not detected	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected	Ruptured						
7		Detected	Detected	Not detected	Not detected	Normal						
8		Detected	Not detected	Detected	Not detected	Normal						
9		Detected	Not detected	Not detected	Detected	Normal						
10		Detected	Not detected	Not detected	Not detected	Ruptured						
11		Not detected	Detected	Detected	Not detected	Normal						
12		Not detected	Detected	Not detected	Detected	Normal						
13		Not detected	Detected	Not detected	Not detected	Ruptured						
14		Not detected	Not detected	Detected	Detected	Normal						
15		Not detected	Not detected	Detected	Not detected	Ruptured						
16		Not detected	Not detected	Not detected	Detected	Ruptured						
17		Detected	Detected	Detected	Not detected	Normal						
18		Detected	Detected	Not detected	Detected	Normal						
19		Detected	Detected	Not detected	Not detected	Ruptured						
20		Detected	Not detected	Detected	Detected	Normal						
21		Detected	Not detected	Detected	Not detected	Ruptured						
22		Detected	Not detected	Not detected	Detected	Ruptured						
23		Not detected	Detected	Detected	Detected	Normal						
24		Not detected	Detected	Detected	Not detected	Ruptured						
25		Not detected	Detected	Not detected	Detected	Ruptured						
26		Not detected	Not detected	Detected	Detected	Ruptured						
27		Detected	Detected	Detected	Detected	Normal						
28		Detected	Detected	Detected	Not detected	Ruptured						
29		Detected	Detected	Not detected	Detected	Ruptured						
30		Detected	Not detected	Detected	Detected	Ruptured						
31		Not detected	Detected	Detected	Detected	Ruptured						
32		Detected	Detected	Detected	Detected	Ruptured						

Discussion

1) Advantages of STPA – Top-down approach

- Analysis can be refined with more details

SNR.HOP.001.02

The Human Operator is unaware of the emergency because *sensors* fail to detect the emergency, and therefore, the Human Operator does not provide the emergency shutdown command when an emergency occurs.

SNR.HOP.001.02-1

The Human Operator is unaware of the emergency because *gas detectors at the HVAC inlet* fail to detect the emergency, and therefore, the Human Operator does not provide the emergency shutdown command when an emergency occurs.

SNR.HOP.001.02-2

The Human Operator is unaware of the emergency because *gas detectors in a hazardous area* fail to detect the emergency, and therefore, the Human Operator does not provide the emergency shutdown command when an emergency occurs.

SNR.HOP.001.02-3

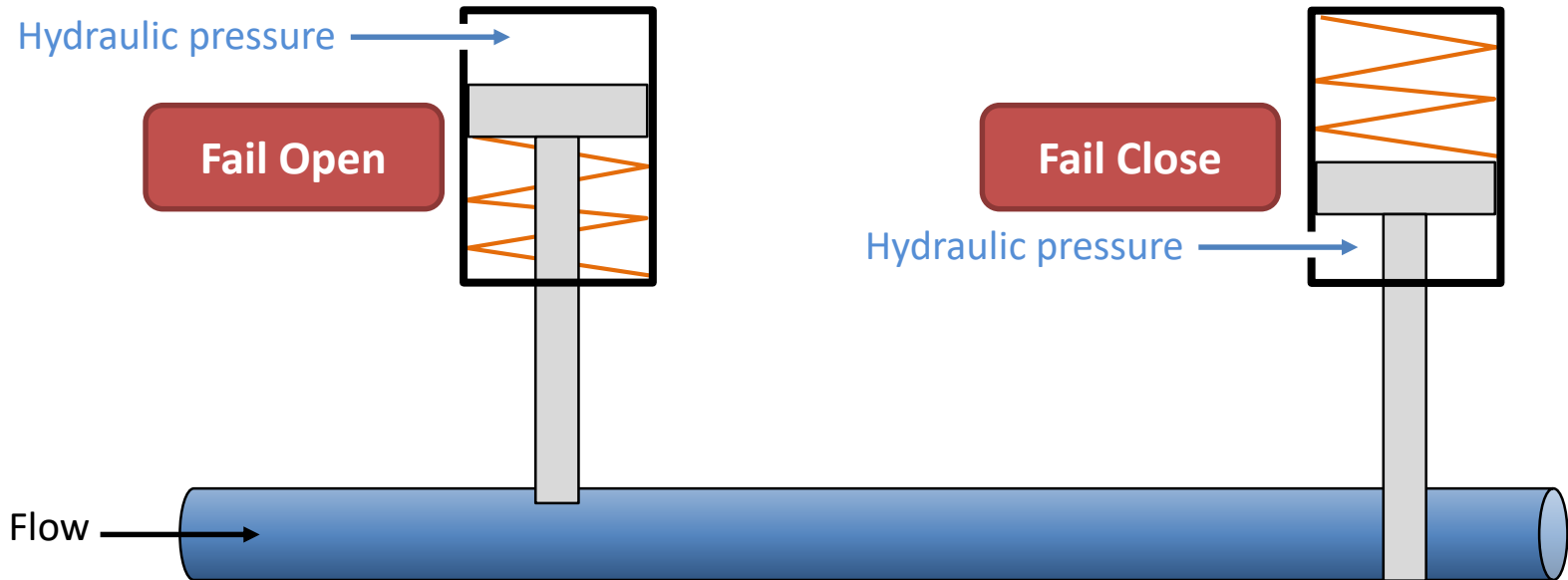
The Human Operator is unaware of the emergency because *fire detectors in a hazardous area* fail to detect the emergency, and therefore, the Human Operator does not provide the emergency shutdown command when an emergency occurs.

Discussion

- 2) Suggestions – Modelling of fail-safe functions

Fail Safe Valve

- Returns to a safe condition in a fault condition
- Can be fail open or fail close
- Usually equipped with a mechanical spring



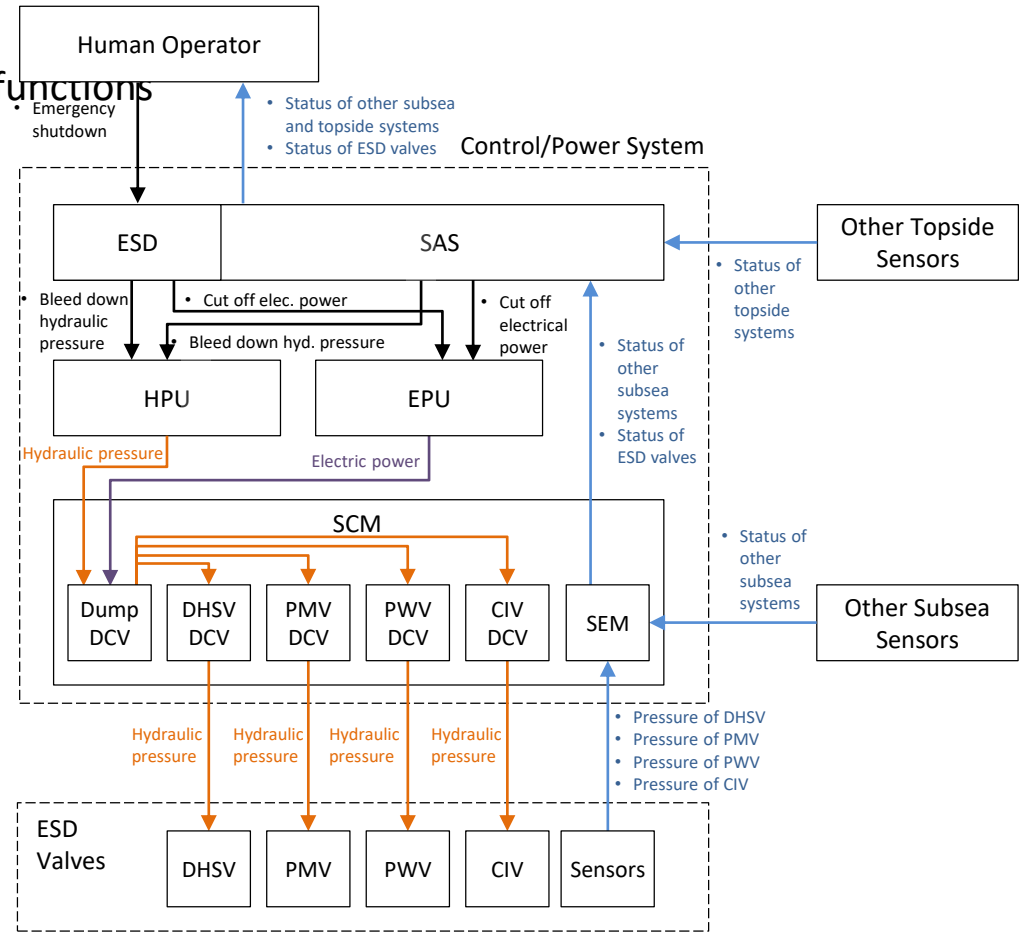
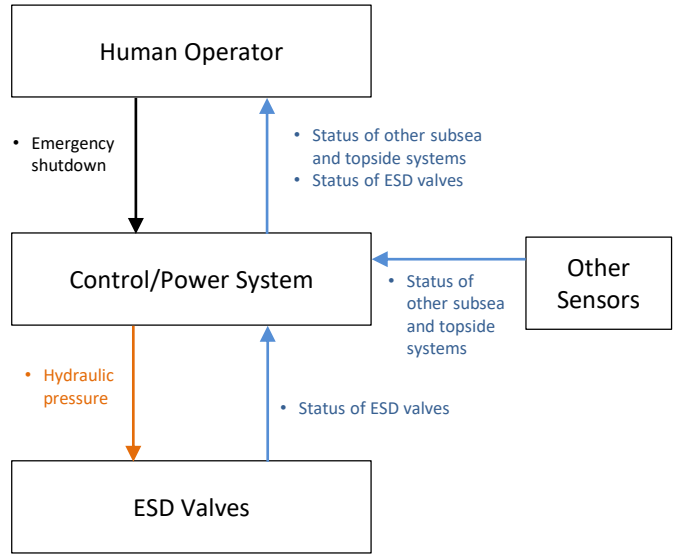
Discussion

2) Suggestions – Modelling of fail-safe functions

- Fails-safe valves are closed by bleeding down hydraulic pressure (or cutting off electric power supply)
- Is bleeding down hydraulic pressure a control command?
- Yes, because the SDVs are closed by these actions
- No, because (1) HPU is not a controller and (2) these actions can occur accidentally by hydraulic oil leak
- Regardless of this discussion, we need to consider these actions as control commands for the analysis

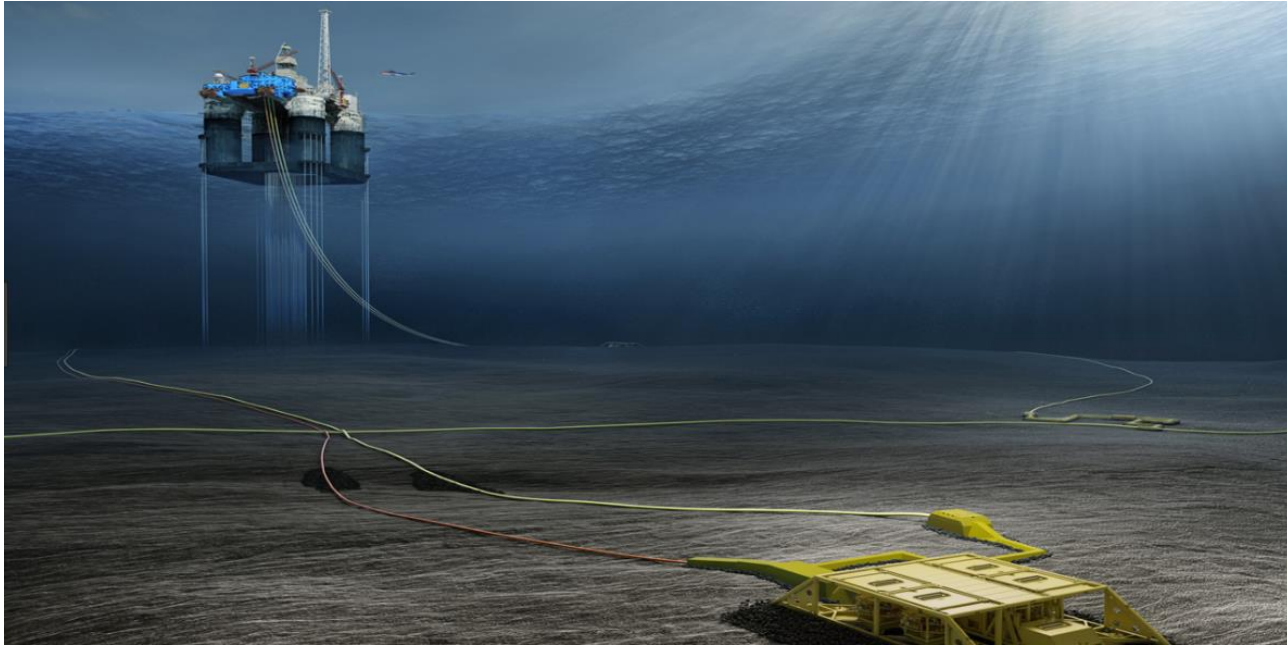
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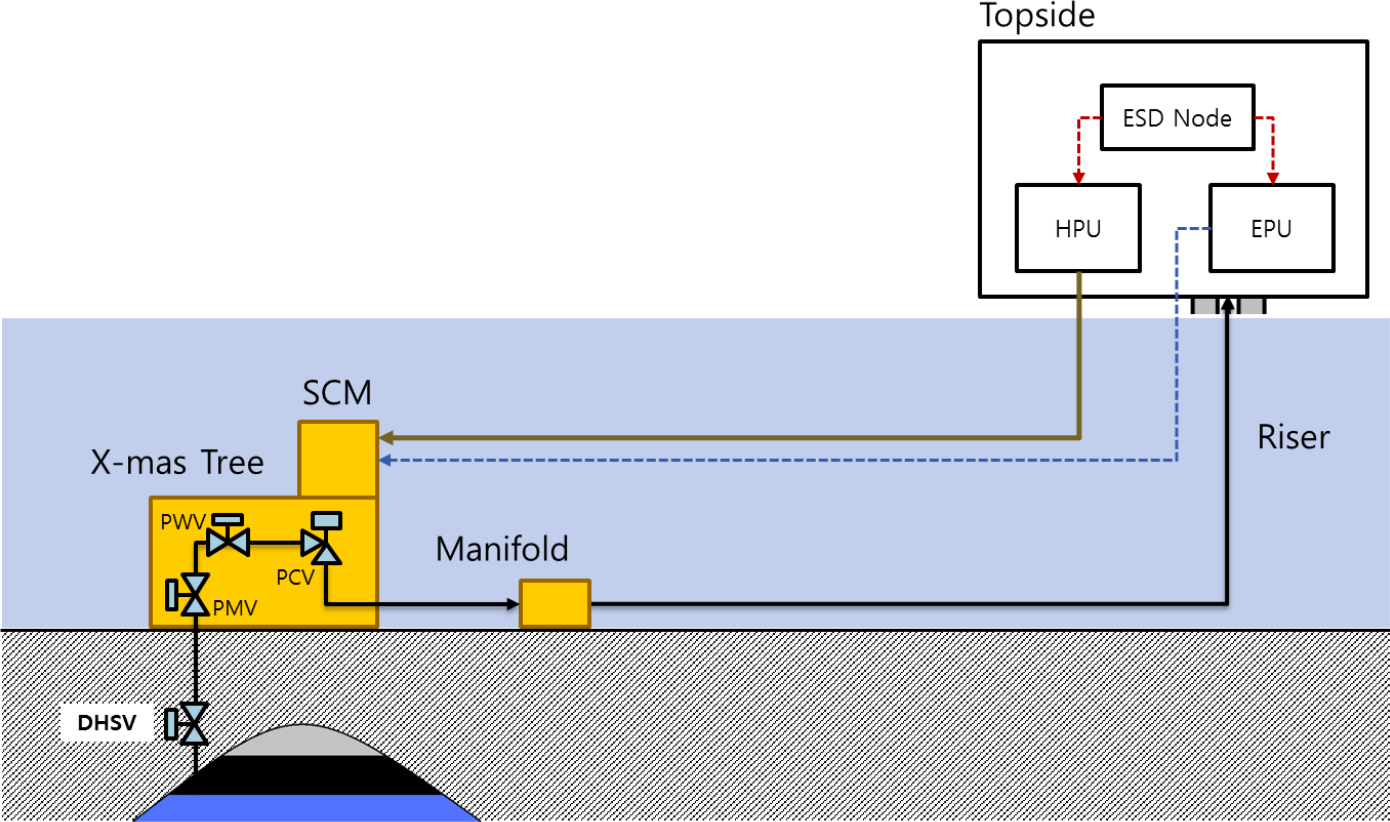
Discussion

- 2) Suggestions – Long distance between controller and actuator



Discussion

2) Suggestions – Long distance between controller and actuator



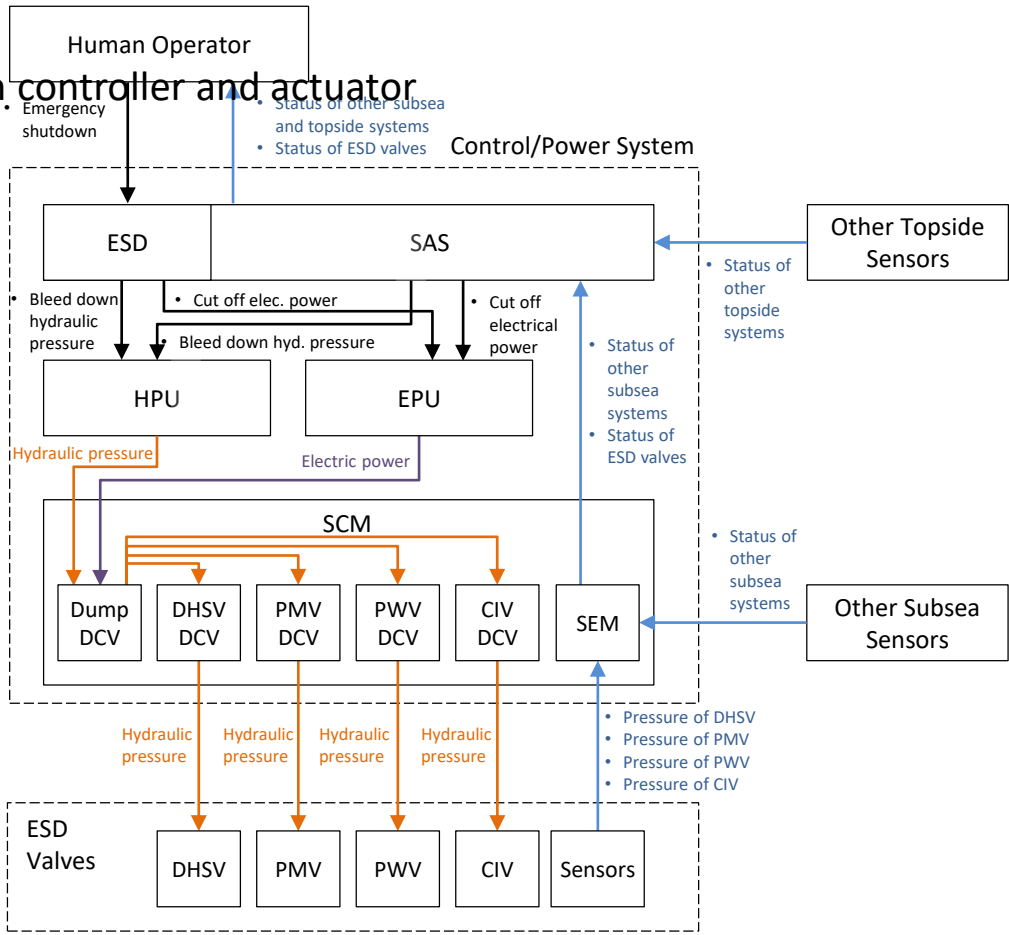
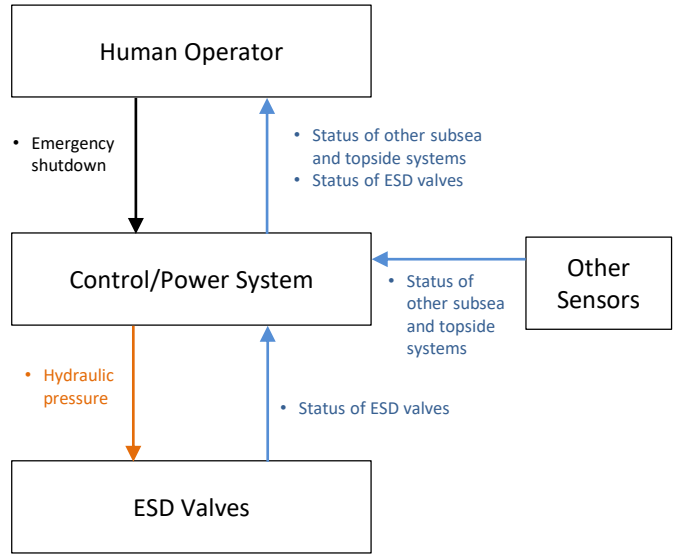
Discussion

2) Suggestions – Long distance between controller and actuator

- SCM delivers and distributes control commands to SDVs
- Is SCM a controller?
- Yes, because the SDVs are controlled by SCM
- No, because SCM makes no decision
- Regardless of this discussion, we need to consider SCM as a controller for the analysis

Discussion

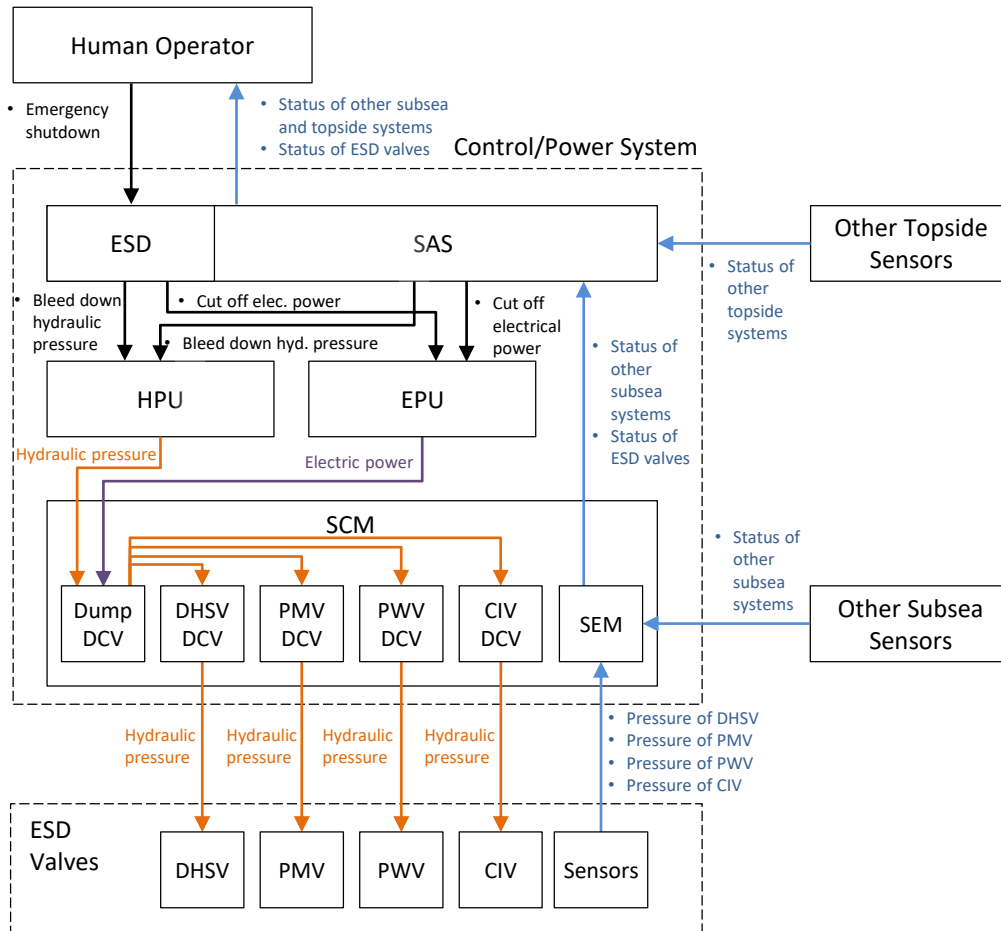
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Discussion

3) Remaining Challenges

- Dynamic control structure



Discussion

3) Remaining Challenges

- When to stop the analysis?

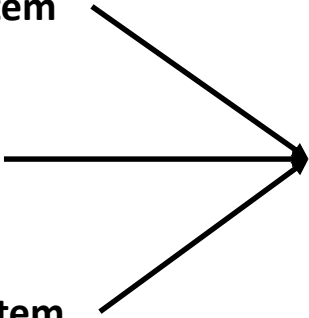
UCA.SAS.001: SAS does not provide bleed down hydraulic pressure command when pre-defined abnormal conditions have occurred		
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Conclusion and Future Work

Conclusion

- Advantages of STPA - systematic approach to identify hazards
 - wide scope
 - top-down approach
- Challenges of STPA - Quantification of the results
 - STPA Step 2 relies on brainstorming
 - Dynamic control structure

Future Work

- **Subsea Processing System**
 - **Subsea Safety System**
 - **Subsea Production System**
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- **Summarize overall challenges and provide solutions**





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