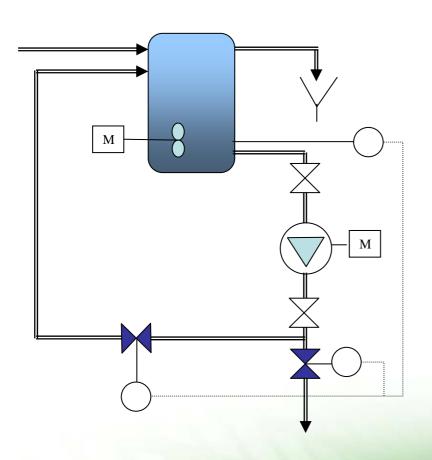
Reliability Modeling, Procedure: How to Optimize System Availability

- 1. Establish and document a system (e.g. process) reliability model
- 2. Establish a failure data base
- 3. Identify reliability (availability) improvement opportunities
- 4. Assess the impacts of reliability improvement on production output and maintenance costs
- 5. Prepare an availability improvement plan

Process Availability Improvement



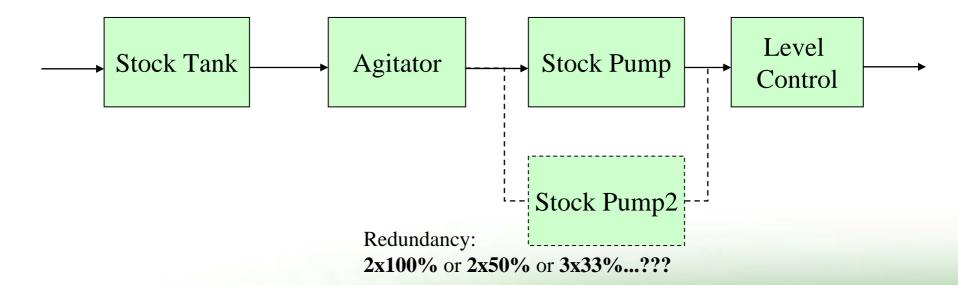
Example System:

- Stock Tank
- Agitator
- Stock Pump 1 x 100%
- Level Control System

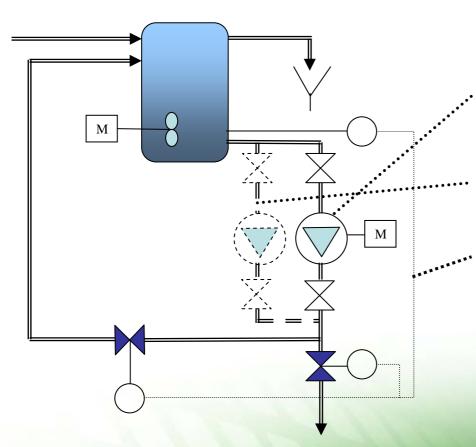
Reliability Model

Functional Block Diagram ('Success Logic')

- prepare a block diagram
- get reliability data for each block
- use modeling software for calculations
- add cost paramaters to results



Process Availability Improvement, select options



Option 1: Base Case

Option 2: Better Stock pump, reliability is 50% higher

Option 3: Backup pump added?

Option 4: Backup pump and improved reliability of level control

Input Options into Reliability Model

Compare Improvement Options:

Costs vs. savings

	Process Downtime (hrs/yr)	Capital Costs (€ added to base case)	Production losses (tons/yr)	Value of improvement (€/yr)
Option 1:	24,3	Base	810	Base
Base Case		case		case
Option 2:	17,0	10.000	567	48.600
Better pump	·			
Option 3:	10,7	60.000	357	90.600
Redundancy	,			
Option 4:	6,2	80.000	207	120.600
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Which improvement would you choose?