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### Digital Risk Twin Driven Simheuristic for Maintenance Optimization

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### Why DES

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## Why DES?

- A discrete-event simulation (DES) models the operation of a system as a (discrete) sequence of events in time
- DES is a digital test rig
- The quality of the output is based on the quality of the input and assumptions made.



### Why Optimization + DES

## DES

- User defined parameters
- Outcomes are dependent on these parameters
- Trade studies still require manual input (e.g. MA)

#### **DES + Optimisation**

Closes the loop between userdefined parameters and simulated outcomes

Finds a set of parameters (decision variables) that lead to a user defined optimal outcome

> Enhances decision support capability of DES

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**Problem:** The key issue when applying metaheuristic approaches to Stochastic Combinatorial Optimization Problems (SCOP) is the computation of the objective function - how do we abstract the expected utility?

**Solution:** We estimate the objective function via simulation.

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The model-based solution captures domain knowledge about the SUI

### The Role Of Model-based Domain Knowledge







The model defines the structure, behaviour, and key input parameters of the DES

# DRT Simheuristic Framew (SDRT) Framework

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# DRT Simheuristic Framework (SDRT)



Max(f(s)) = E[B(s)]

 $P(q_i(s) \ge l_i) \ge k_i$ 

 $h_i(s) \le r_i$ 

## SDRT Ant Colony Optimization Engine

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- The ACO metaheuristic is then the family of algorithms inspired by the ant foraging pattern.
- Effective in solving combinatorial optimisation problems
- The configuration of the ACO directly influences the behaviour of the ant agents and subsequently the output of the SDRT

### **SDRT** Ant Colony Optimization Engine

DRT defined

metaheuristics

 $\eta_{f,h}(t)$ 

Simulation definition  $\delta \sigma \mathbb{S}$ 

Domain knowledge informs

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**Optimization Engin** 

Select maintenance

policy

Fast Stochastic Simulation

Rank the solution

More time available?

 $s \in \mathbb{S}$ 

Pheremone weight

 $\tau_{f,h}(t)$ 

- The DRT influences this behavior through encoded domain knowledge to support the search of analyst preferable solutions
- Represented in the heuristic value,  $\eta_{-}(f,h)(t)$ ,

$$w_{f,h}(t) = \frac{\left[\tau_{f,h}(t)\right]^{\alpha} \cdot \left[\eta_{f,h}(t)\right]^{\beta}}{\sum_{k=1}^{N} \left[\tau_{f,k}(t)\right]^{\alpha} \cdot \left[\eta_{f,k}(t)\right]^{\beta}}$$

E[B(s)]

Yes

## SDRT Heuristic Design

### Extracting Domain Knowledge

#### **User inputs**

Criticality, maintenance costs, labor requirements

#### **Model Structure**

RBD, failure modes, failure dependencies

#### Analysis

FMECA, diagnostic analysis, common-mode analysis, RCM

## SDRT Heuristic Design

### Effect Domain Knowledge

Informs optimization procedure to effectively explore the search space by defining the metaheuristic. Reduces the search space size by ignoring infeasible options.

Maps causes to effect to inform where computational resources should be spent during simulation.

# Optimal Policy Evaluation



- Decision maker requires a range of potential approaches that can be contrastively assessed.
- Each solutions can be explained in terms of the domain knowledge that informs the metaheuristic.

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## **Summary & Conclusion**

- Simheuristics are a promising approach to solving complex, stochastic problems
- Incorporating domain knowledge into the simulation and metaheuristic definition improves optimization performance and decision-making capabilities for the user



## Thank you