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How to include safety in a design study?

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Agenda

- Why including safety in a design study
- Safety documentation along the lifecycle of the facility, from design to dismantling
- Typical content of a Preliminary Safety Report

What is a successful project?

Deliverable delivered, i.e. a facility delivered Performance achieved

Good if there is something!

No impact on persons, no accident No impact on the environment **Bad** if there is something!

Corollary: **Good** if there is nothing!

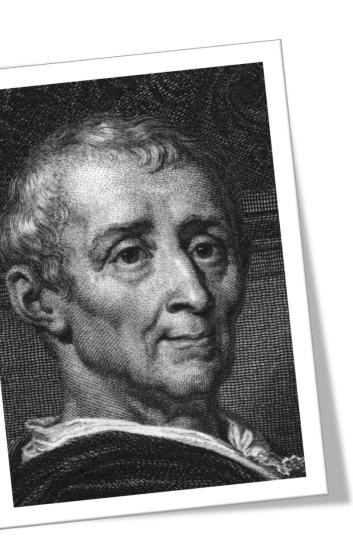
What is a successful project? Trade-off

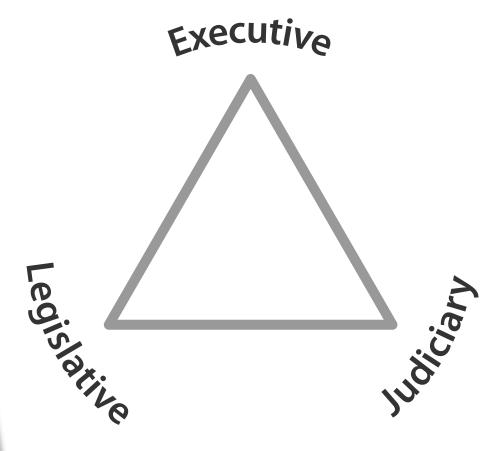
Invest time & money for scientific performance
Up to which amount? "The more the better!"

Invest time & money for safety & environment
Up to which amount? "The more the better?"

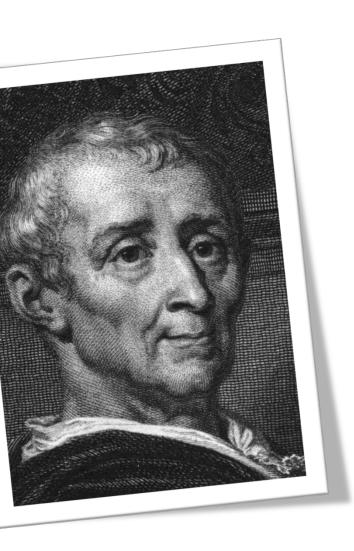
Some oversight is needed to insure that a sufficient effort is made on safety aspects!

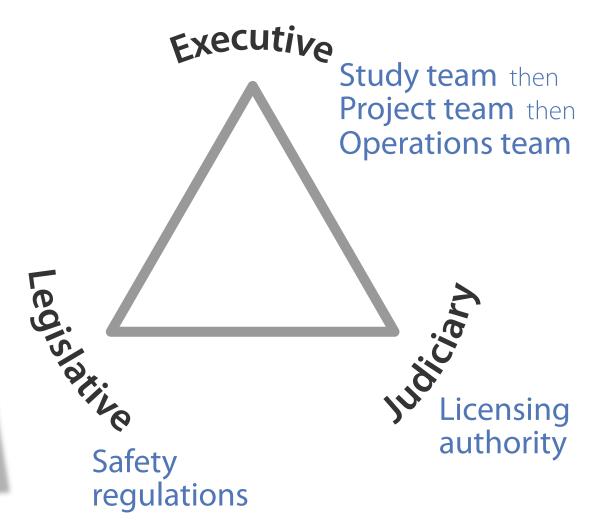
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Some questions

1. Which safety regulations?

- Different countries, different approaches
- Different countries, different regulations
- Language (not necessarily in English)
- Nuclear safety regulations **limitations**(Nuclear Fusion Power Stations, Medical, Nuclear Weapons...)
- Nuclear safety regulations paradigm

2. Which licensing authority?

Different countries, different licensing authorities

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Demonstration, by the Team to the Licensing authority that the Regulations are fulfilled

Two perspectives

- The facility should not injure worker/people nor release effluents in the environment to do so: it should operate reliably
 - ** Facility integrity, Nuclear safety, Sûreté

- Workers should not be injured by the facility
 - Occupational / health safety,
 Radiation protection, Sécurité

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Demonstration, by the Team to the Licensing authority that the Regulations are fulfilled, from the 2 perspectives: integrity and safety

Project lifecycle

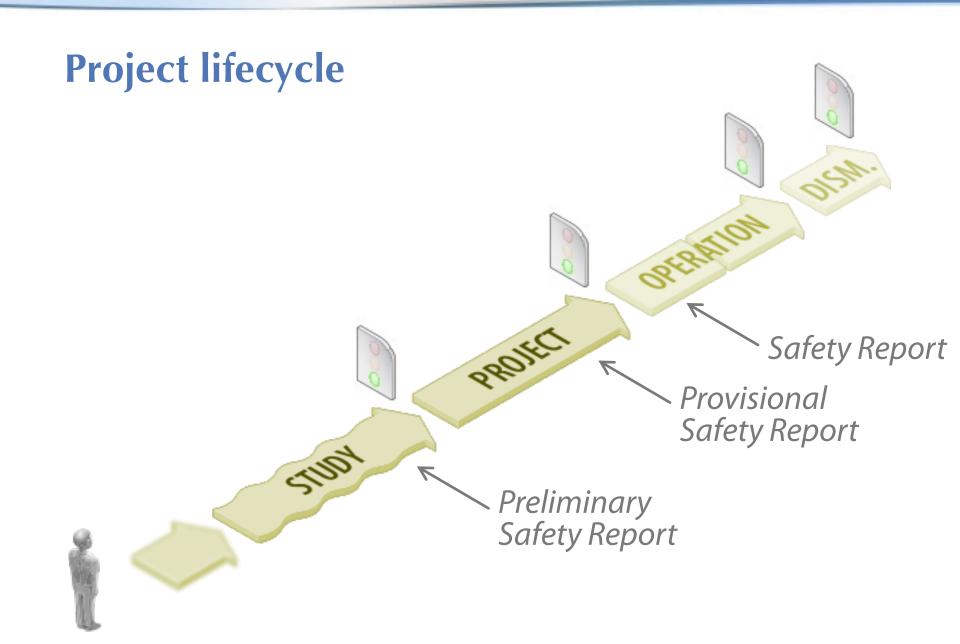
Demonstration that:

- 1) the facility can be **constructed safely**
- 2) the facility can be **operated safety**
- 3) the facility can be **dismantled safely**
- 4) one knows what to do of waste

PROJECT

Demonstration that:

- 1) the facility can be **constructed** (incl. costing and scheduling)
- 2) the facility can be **operated** (incl. performance, value creation)

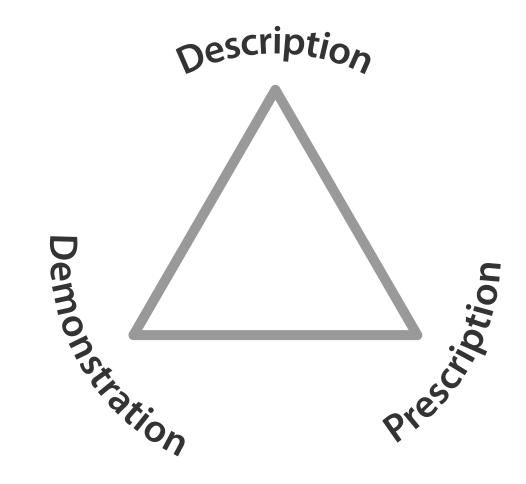


Principle

« Un document ne vaut que quand on sait à qui il s'adresse »

The value of a document depends on whom it is prepared for

Safety reports



Safety reports 1. Descriptive part

- Description of the facility/process
 - Why is it useful
 - Where is it located
 - What is it made of
 - How does it work
 - When will it be constructed, operated, dismantled
 - Who is responsible for its construction...
 - With which means will it be constructed...
 - « Quis, Quid, Ubi, Quibus auxiliis, Cur, Quomodo, Quando »
- Which hazards is present in the facility/process?

Safety reports 2. Demonstrative part

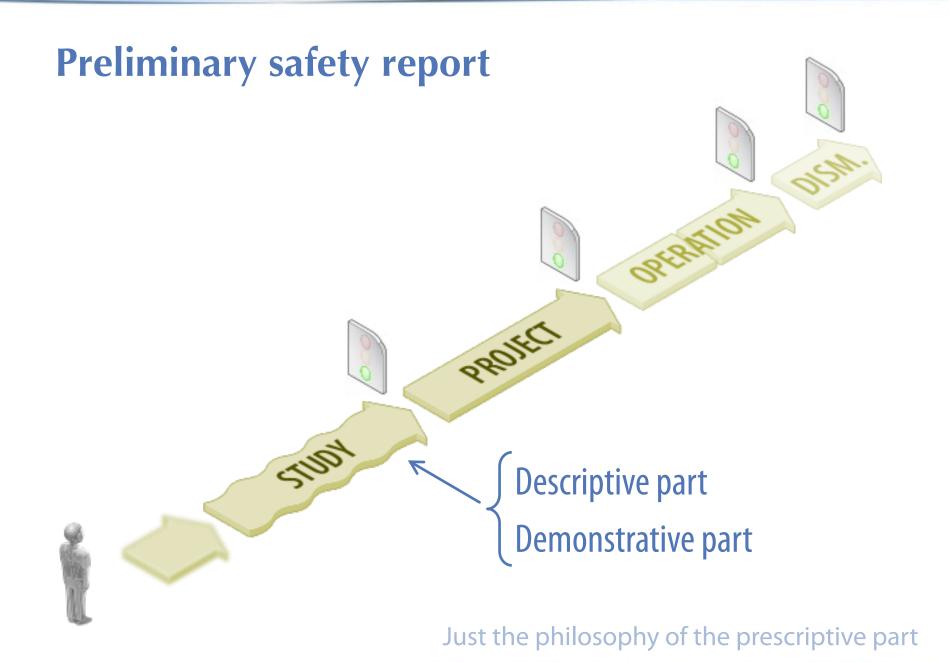
- Hazard/risk identification
- → Risk evaluation
- Risk analyses
- Risk responses/treatments



Impact study

Safety reports 3. Prescriptive part

- Operations boundaries
 - operations thresholds not to overcome
- Organizational structures
 - for handling the project, constructing the facility
 - for operating and maintaining the facility
 - for dismantling the facility and handling waste
- Operations instructions and procedures
 - for operating the facility
 - for maintaining and ensuring its integrity
- Quality management framework



Preliminary safety reports Descriptive part

- Description of the facility and of the process
 - « Quis, Quid, Ubi, Quibus auxiliis, Cur, Quomodo, Quando »
- Which hazards are present in the facility/process?
 - Energy and radiological source terms
 - External (environmental) hazards
 - Internal (processes/utilities) hazards

Identification:

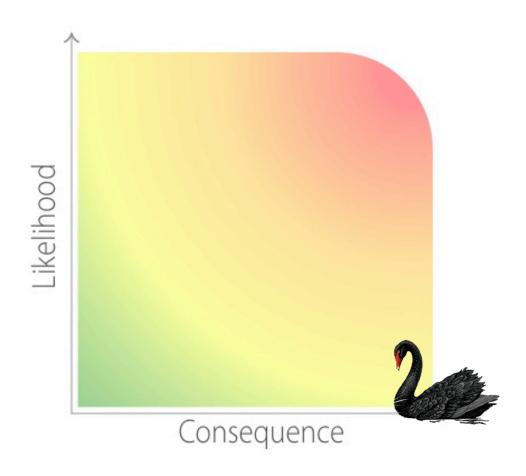
- Vade mecum, knowledge sharing...
- Systematic approaches (process/utility diagrams, layouts)
- Safety philosophy (incl. applicable regulations...)

Preliminary safety reports Demonstrative part (1/2)

- Risk identification (see hazard identification)
 - Sequence of events
 - Potential incidental/accidental situations
- → Risk evaluation
 - Risk assessment matrix
 - risk level = likelihood × consequence
 - Failure mode and effects analysis (FMEA)
 - severity = probability \times detectability \times gravity
- Risk analyses



Risk evaluation



Risk evaluation Likelihood

Level	Justification		
LOW Likelihood	Very unlikely because: → never happened, or already happened but over the last 10 years, or → has already happened (we heard of) in other organizations, but over the last 5 years, or → major catastrophe independent of our activities (e.g. earthquake).		
MEDIUM Likelihood	Likely, may happen sometimes: → already happened within the last 10 years, or → already happened in other organizations within the last 5 years.		
HIGH Likelihood	Very likely, may occur repetitively: → happened at least once for one-of-a-kind (project) activities → happened at least once per year for recurring activities.		

Risk evaluation Consequence

Level	Justification			
LOW Environmental and Safety Consequence	Marginal: → Releases constrained within our premises, or → Light injury requiring medical attention; no loss of working day.			
MEDIUM Environmental and Safety Consequence	Significant: → Releases outside the our premises, easily remediable, or → Extensive injury; loss of working days.			
HIGH Environmental and Safety Consequence	Critical or catastrophic: → Releases outside the our premises, hardly remediable, or → Injury with permanent disability; loss of life.			

Risk evaluation Matrix (the simplest one)

		Likelihood of occurence		
		LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH
Consequence	LOW	LOW RISK	LOW RISK	MEDIUM RISK
	MEDIUM	LOW RISK	MEDIUM RISK	HIGH RISK
	HIGH	MEDIUM RISK	HIGH RISK	HIGH RISK

Preliminary safety reports Demonstrative part (2/2)

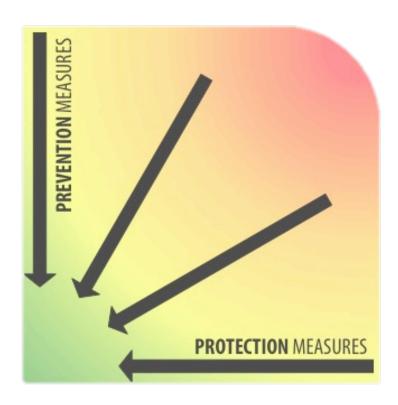
- Risk responses/treatments
 - Technical (structural) measures or provisions implemented to mitigate the risks

 Conception documents (notes, drawings...)

 Zoning principles

 Calculation notes...
 - Organizational measures or provisions planned to mitigate the risks
 Outline of the instructions and procedures
 - Operations thresholds

Risk treatment Protection vs. Prevention



Risk treatment f(risk level)

LOW RISK

The risk can be accepted as such!

MEDIUM RISK

Measures

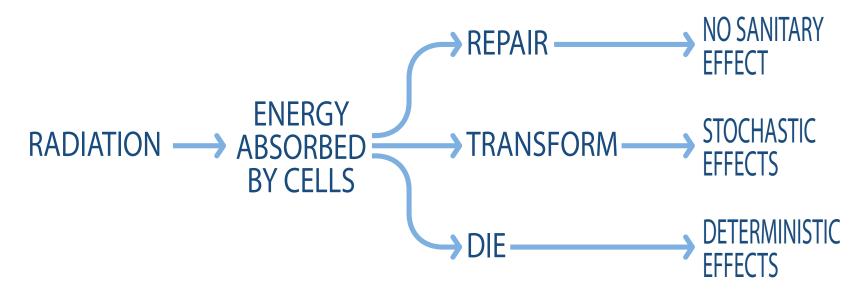
can
be taken
to lower
the risk.

HIGH RISK

Measures

must
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All (most) nuclear safety regulations suggests that individual exposures and number of exposed persons is maintained to a level that is **as low as reasonably a**chievable, (i.e. **ALARA**) taking into account economical and social factors.

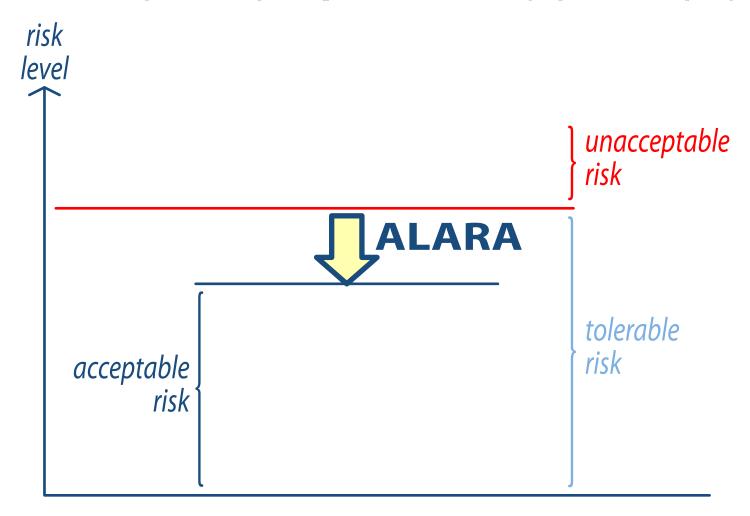


DETERMINISTIC EFFECTS

- Effect = f(dose)
- Gravity = f(dose)
- Early effects
- 3 thresholds
- Probability = 1

STOCHASTIC EFFECTS

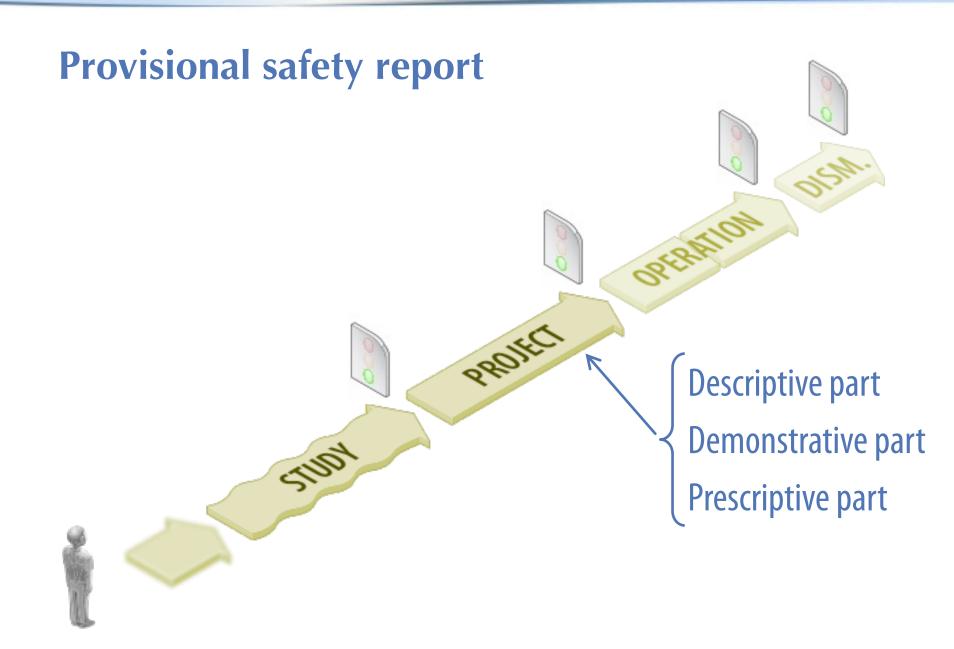
- Effect $\neq f(\text{dose})$
- Gravity $\neq f(\text{dose})$
- Late effects
- "No threshold"
- Probability = f(dose)

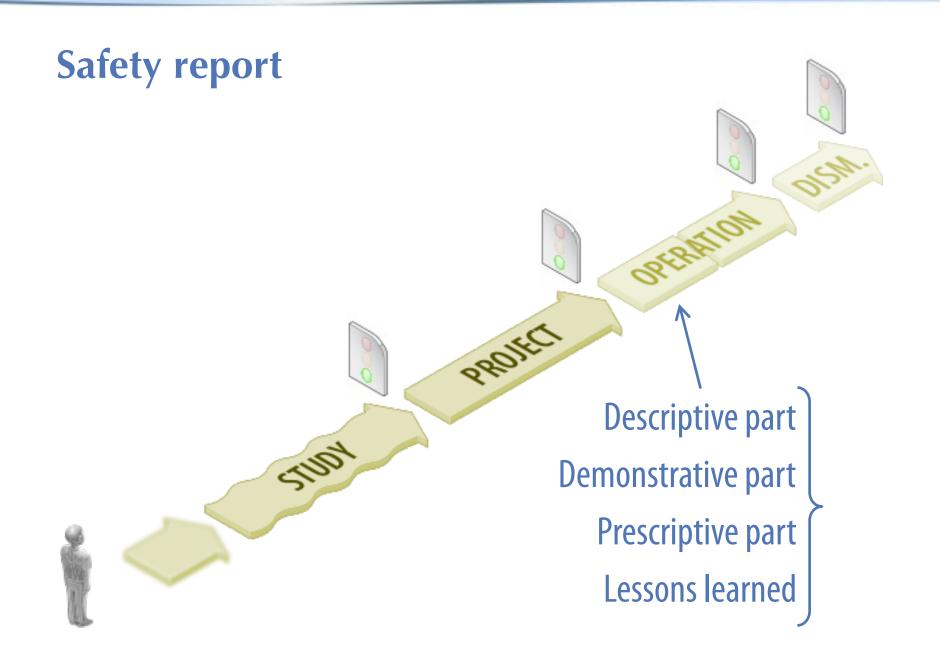


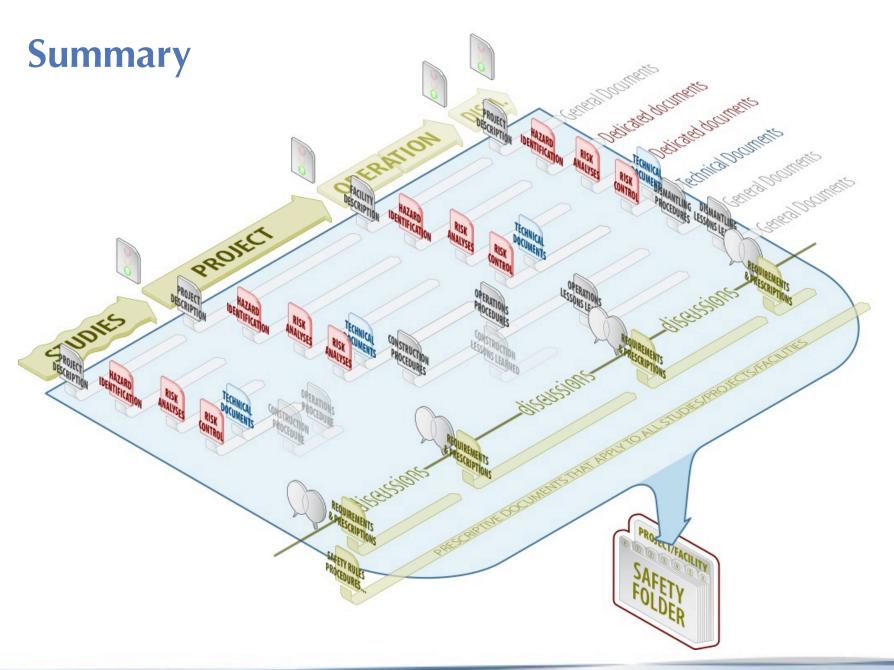
Practically:

For a given hazardous situation,

- Evaluate risk level (radiation exposure...)
- Identify possible protection and prevention, structural and organizational treatments
- Estimate their impact on the performance (incl. construction/operation costs and schedule)
- Select the most appropriate one(s)







Who does what?

Editorial work of the safety reports:

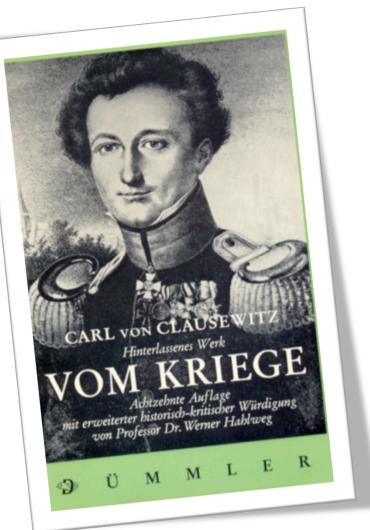
- the duty of the **study/project team** (then the duty of the operations team)
- some safety/integrity engineering skills shall be embedded in the study/project team
- some analysis can be outsourced,
 but the overall responsibility remains
 in the study/project team

Who does what?

If safety/integrity is **correctly embedded** into the conception work, it should not be too painful

If safety/integrity is **kept aside** from conception work, then it may really become a critical issue

Carl von Clausewitz On War 19th century



- Focused forces(avoid dissemination)
- Minimize means
- Maximize freedom of action (flexibility)

Thank you **Questions?**