

# **OVERVIEW OF PROCESS MODELING ACTIVITIES & CAPABILITIES**

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## **OBJECTIVES**

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- **Develop reliable and easy-to-use models to estimate the environmental performance and cost of conventional and advanced technologies to produce electricity from coal**
- **Develop a framework for comparing alternative options on a systematic basis**

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- Develop a flexible and easy-to-use modeling system to estimate the performance, environmental emissions and cost of a preliminary Vision 21 plant design
- Develop a framework for comparing alternative options and on a systematic basis, including effects of uncertainty

## ADVANCED DESIGN AND ANALYSIS METHODS ARE NEEDED

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- **Increasing complexity of advanced processes**
- **Multiple options for component design & selection**
- **Strong interactions among system components**
- **Significant performance and cost uncertainties**

## **APPROACH**

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- **Process Technology Models**
- **Engineering Economic Models**
- **Advanced Software Capabilities**
- **Systems Analysis Framework**

## **TECHNOLOGIES MODELED AND EVALUATED**

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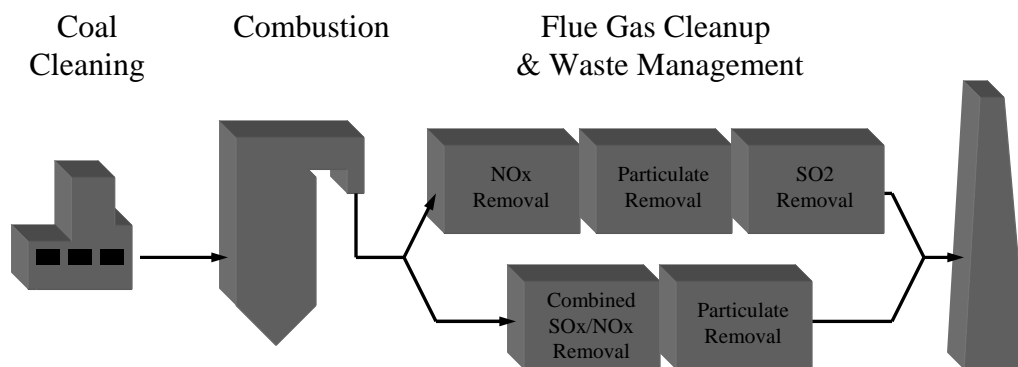
- **Integrated Gasification Combined Cycles (IGCC)**
  - **Air and oxygen blown gasifiers**
  - **Fixed bed and fluidized bed gasifiers**
  - **Hot gas and cold gas cleanup systems**
  - **Byproduct recovery options (e.g., sulfuric acid, Claus plant, direct sulfur reduction process)**
  - **Other environmental controls (e.g., SCR)**
- **Pressurized Fluidized Bed Combustion (PFBC)**
- **Externally-Fired Combined Cycle (EFCC)**

## TECHNOLOGIES MODELED (con't)

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- **Pulverized Coal Combustion Plants**
  - Selective catalytic reduction (SCR)
  - Wet lime/limestone FGD
  - Lime spray dryer
  - Electrostatic precipitators
  - Fabric filters
- **Advanced Environmental Control Systems**
  - Combined SO<sub>2</sub>/NO<sub>x</sub> removal
- **Coal Beneficiation Processes**

## INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL MODEL (IECM)



## **PROCESS PERFORMANCE MODELS**

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- **Calculate detailed mass and energy flows**
- **Employ empirical relationships and models based on available data**
- **Predict component or system efficiency**
- **Predict multi-media environmental emissions**

## **PROCESS COST MODELS**

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- **Direct capital cost of major process areas**
- **Total capital cost of system**
- **Variable operating costs**
- **Fixed operating costs**
- **Total cost of electricity**
- **Explicitly linked to process performance model**

## **NEW MODELING CAPABILITIES**

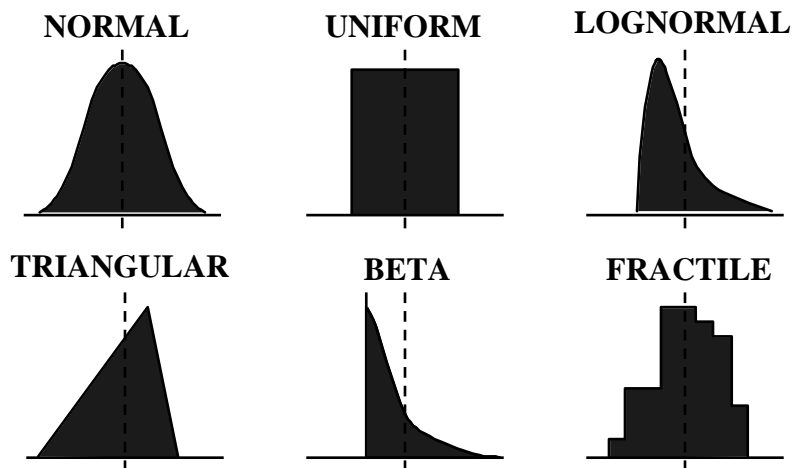
<b>Process or System</b>	<b>Deterministic</b>	<b>Stochastic</b>
<b>Simulation</b>	√	√
<b>Optimization</b>	√	√
<b>Synthesis</b>	√	√

# **SIMULATION**

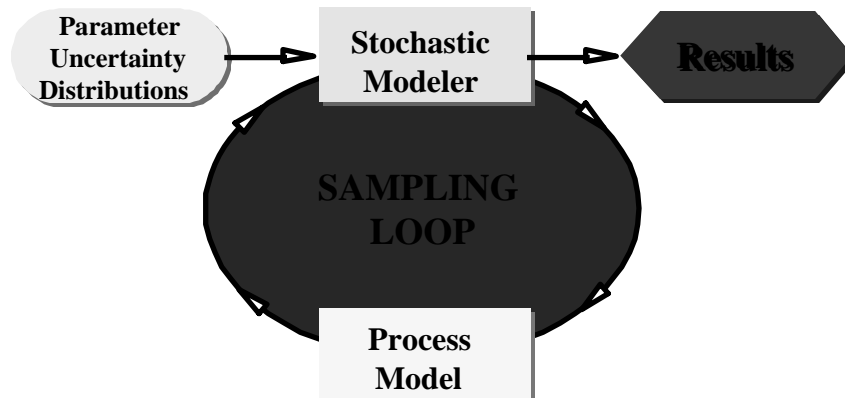
## CONVENTIONAL PROCESS MODELING (Deterministic Simulation)



## PARAMETER UNCERTAINTY DISTRIBUTIONS



## STOCHASTIC SIMULATION



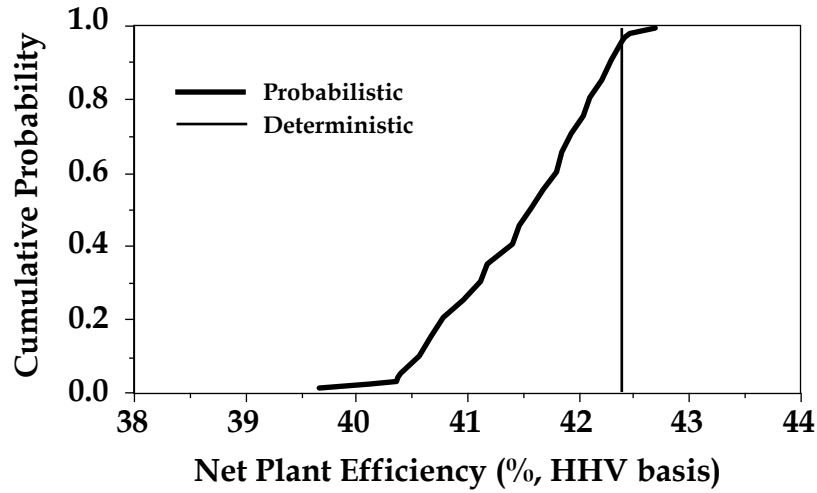
## SOME QUESTIONS ADDRESSED BY STOCHASTIC SIMULATION

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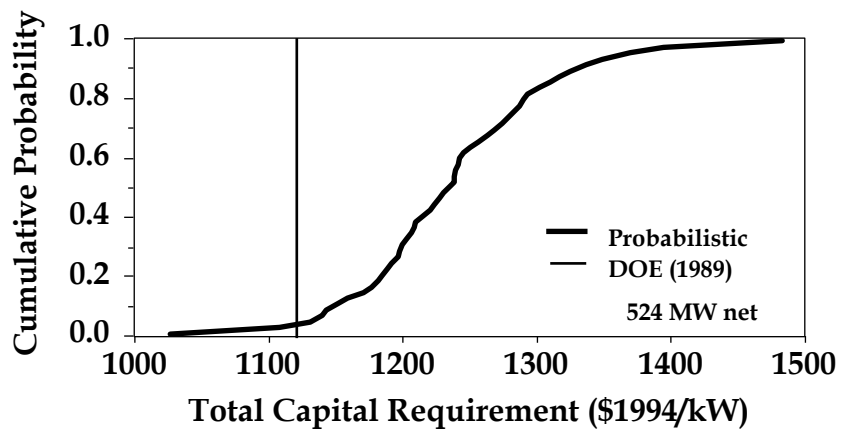
- **What performance can we expect from this technology (e.g., efficiency, emissions)? What is its expected cost, given current uncertainties?**
- **What is the likelihood of performance shortfalls? Of cost overruns?**
- **What factors or process parameters contribute most to overall uncertainty in performance and cost?**
- **What is the potential payoff of R&D to reduce these key uncertainties and risks?**
- **How does this technology compare to other competing technologies?**



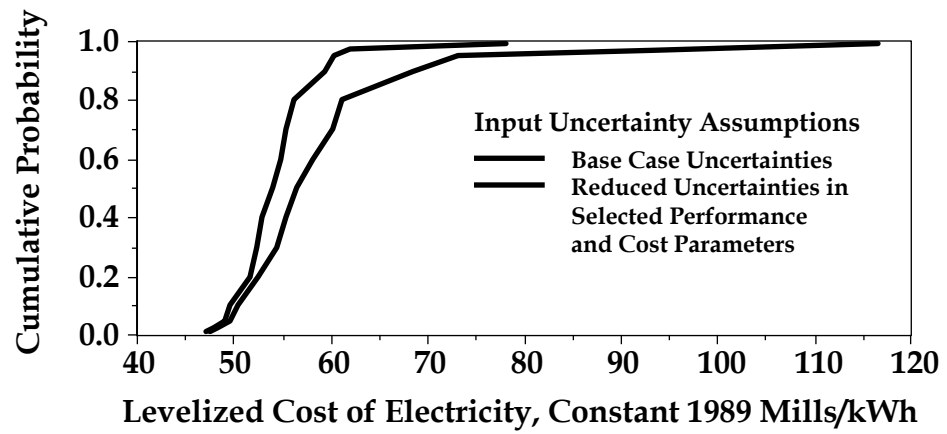
### EFCC PLANT EFFICIENCY



### SECOND GENERATION PFBC SYSTEM TOTAL CAPITAL COST



## VALUE OF TARGETED RESEARCH



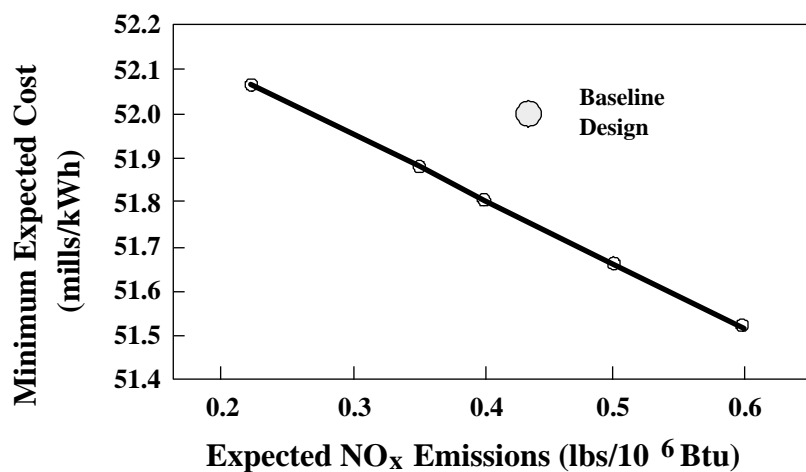
## OPTIMIZATION

## SOME QUESTIONS ADDRESSED BY OPTIMIZATION CAPABILITIES

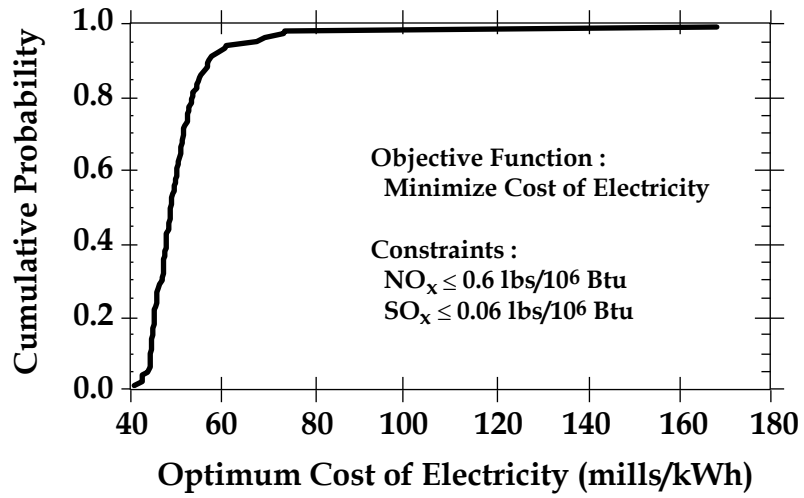
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- Is there a better choice of parameter values for this process to improve its performance? To lower its cost?
- What levels of performance and cost can we expect from an optimized design?
- How do uncertainties in process performance and cost variables affect the optimal design?
- What design choices will minimize the risk of a performance shortfall? Or the risk of a cost overrun?

## MINIMIZE TOTAL COST SUBJECT TO NO<sub>x</sub> EMISSION CONSTRAINT



## EFFECT OF UNCERTAINTIES ON OPTIMAL DESIGN COST

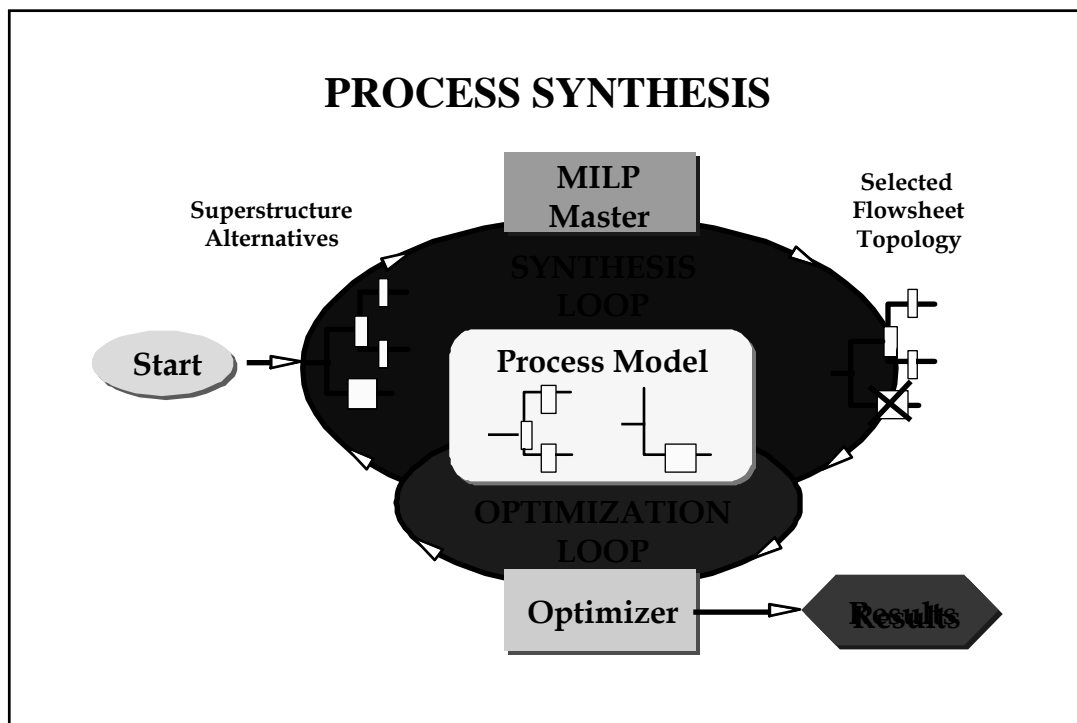


# SYNTHESIS

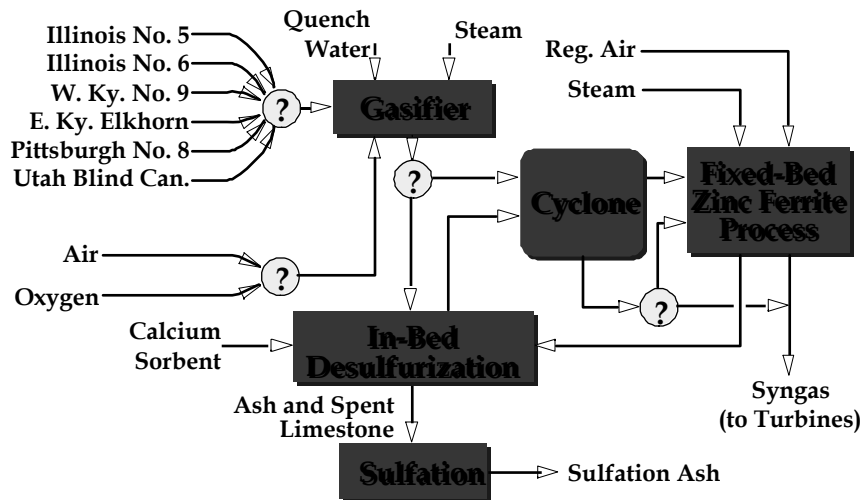
## SOME QUESTIONS ADDRESSED BY PROCESS SYNTHESIS CAPABILITIES

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- How should the flowsheet be configured to achieve performance goals at lowest cost?
- What are the feasible flowsheet options to meet specified goals and constraints? Which options are not feasible?
- What are the cost savings (or performance gains) from moving to a more optimal design?



## SYNTHESIS OF IGCC SYSTEM



## MODEL APPLICATIONS

- Process design
- Risk analysis
- Cost estimation
- R&D management
- Technology evaluation
- Environmental compliance
- Marketing studies
- Strategic planning