

# **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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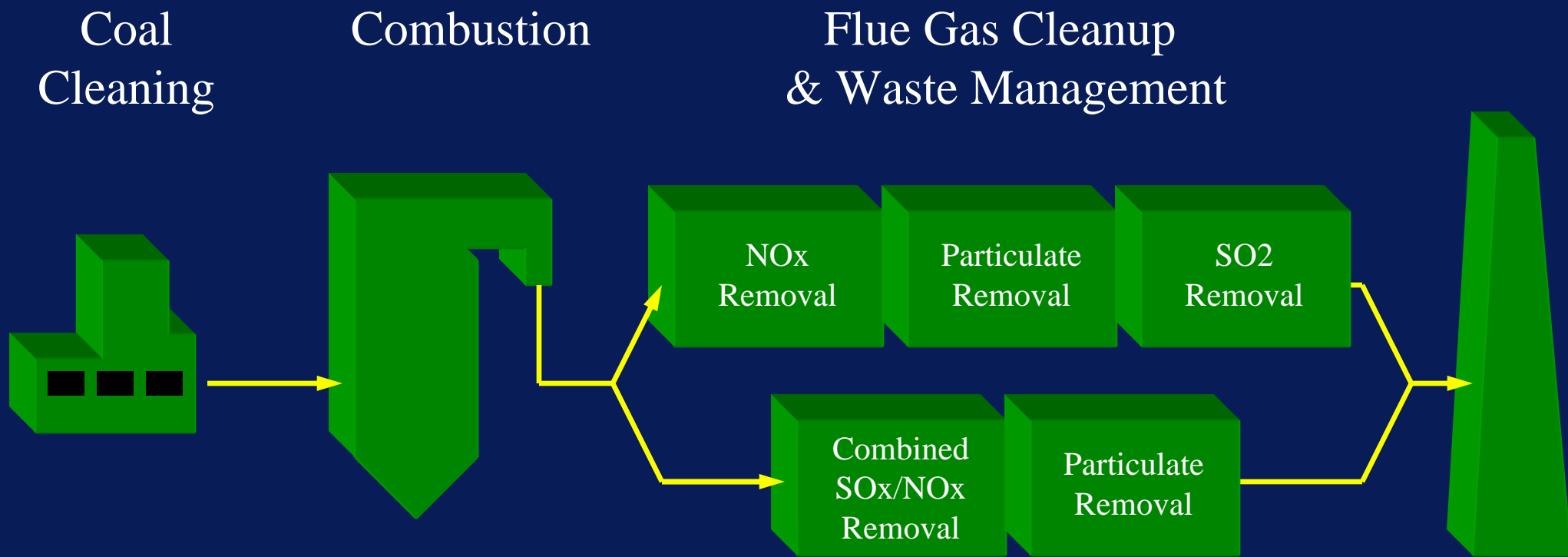
- **Integrated Gasification Combined Cycles (IGCC)**
  - Air and oxygen blown gasifiers
  - Fixed bed and fluidized bed gasifiers
  - Hot gas and cold gas cleanup systems
  - Byproduct recovery options (e.g., sulfuric acid, Claus plant, direct sulfur reduction process)
  - Other environmental controls (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

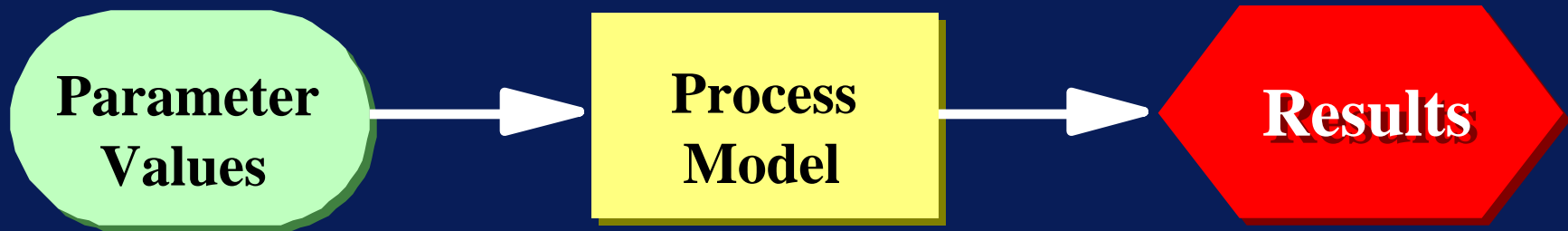
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Process or System	Deterministic	Stochastic
Simulation	✓	✓
Optimization	✓	✓
Synthesis	✓	✓

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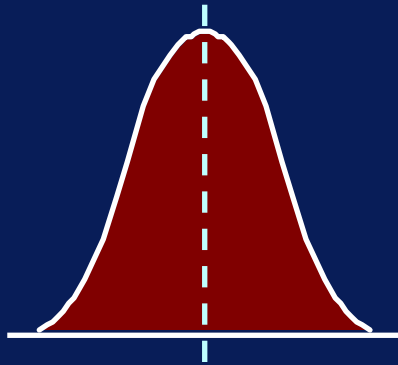
# SIMULATION

# CONVENTIONAL PROCESS MODELING (Deterministic Simulation)

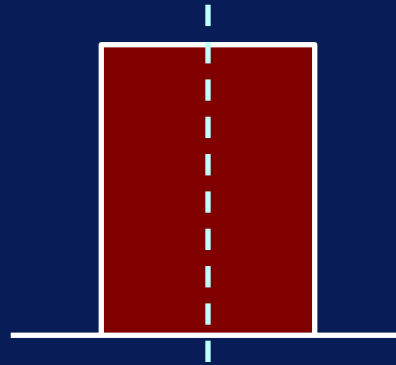


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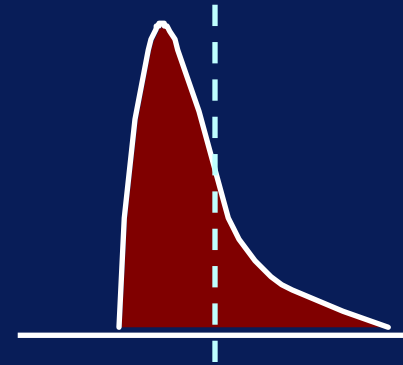
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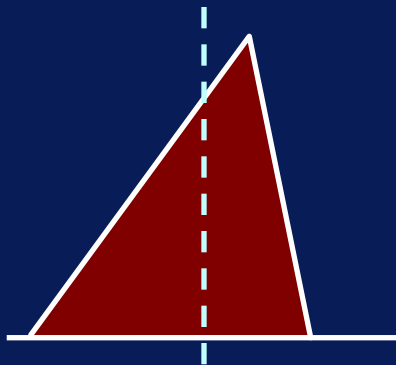
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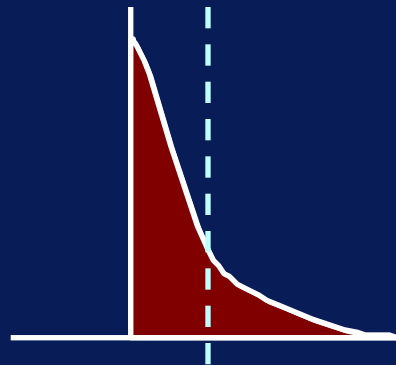
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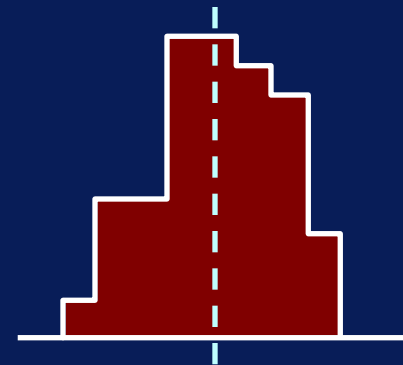
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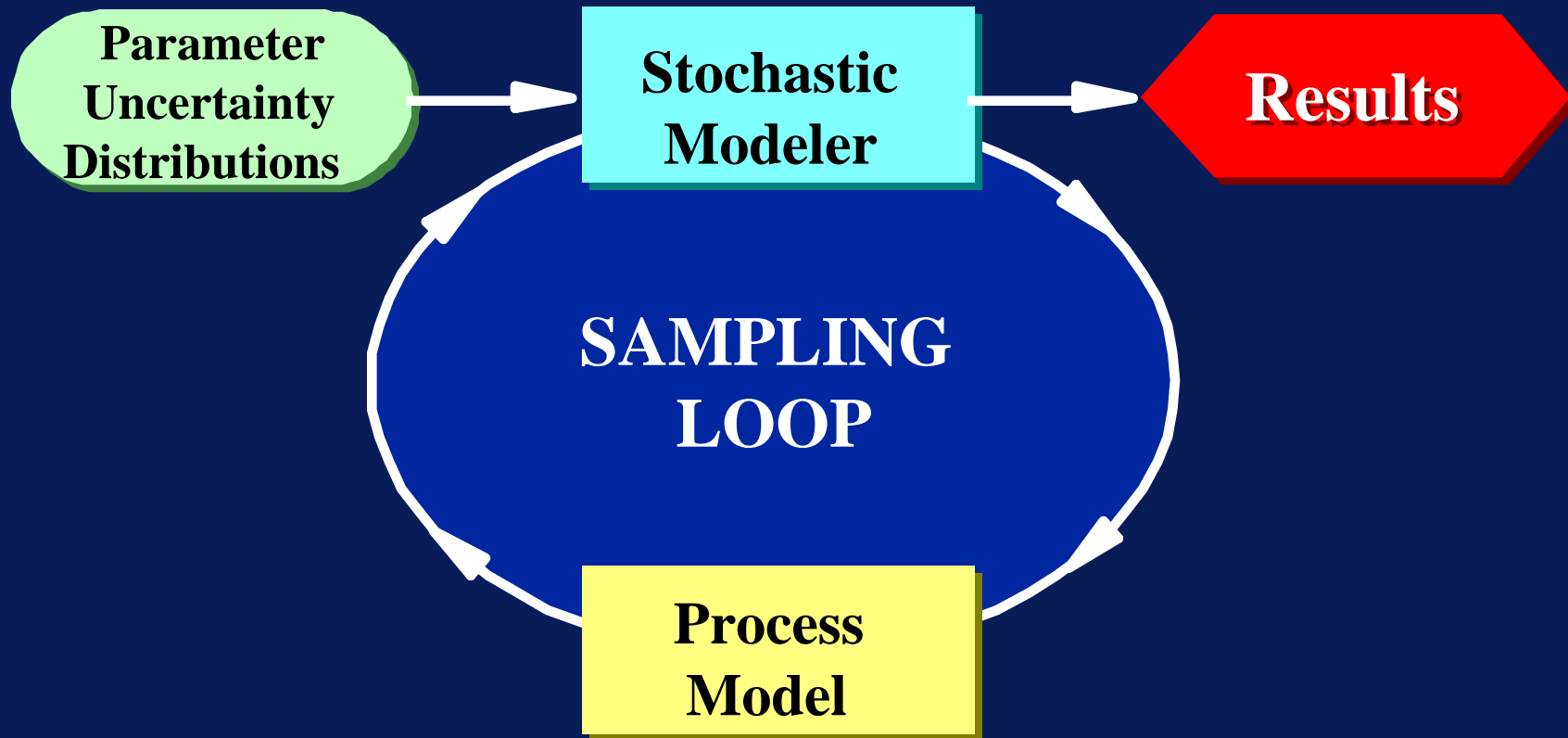
**BETA**



**FRACTILE**



# STOCHASTIC SIMULATION



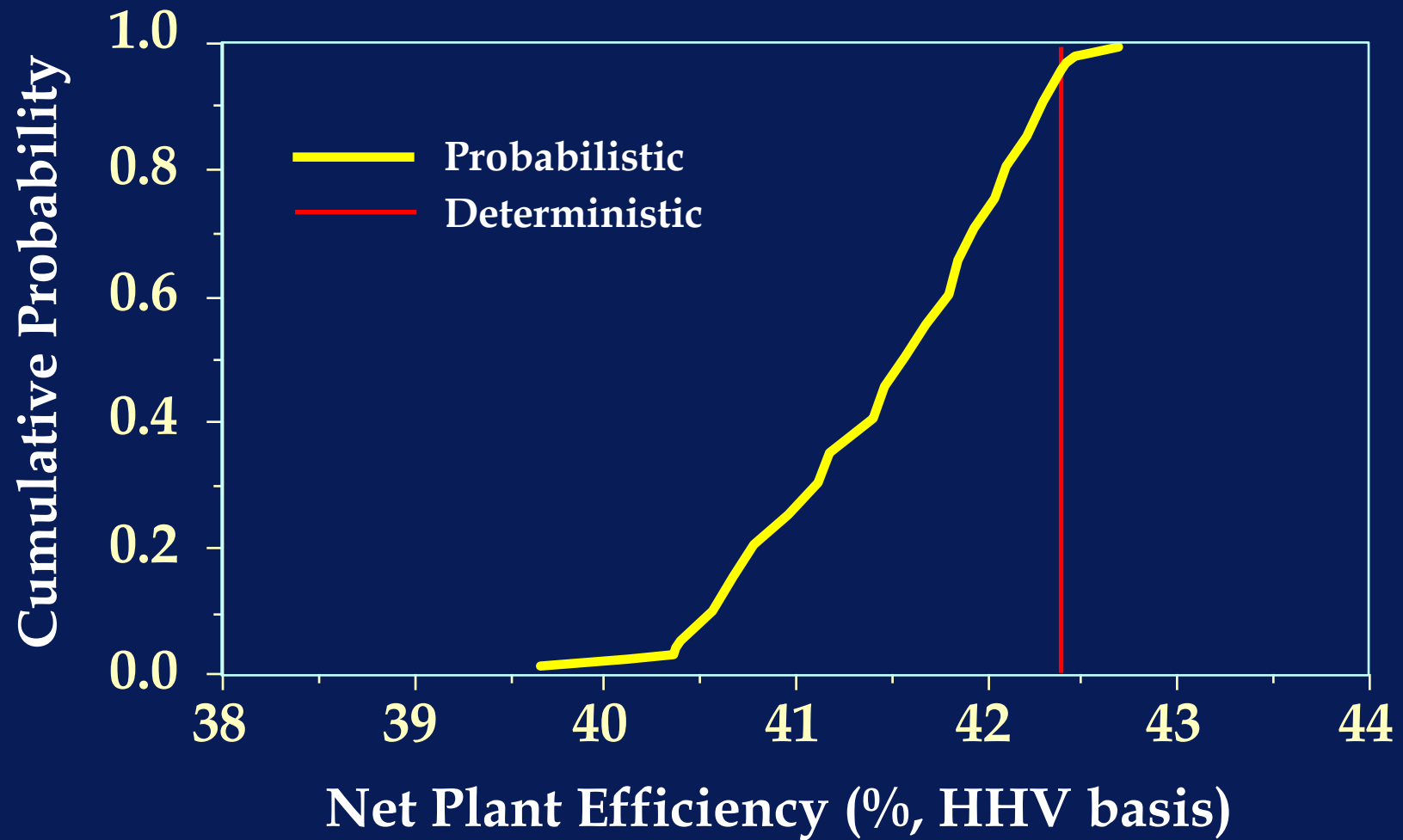
# **SOME QUESTIONS ADDRESSED BY STOCHASTIC SIMULATION**

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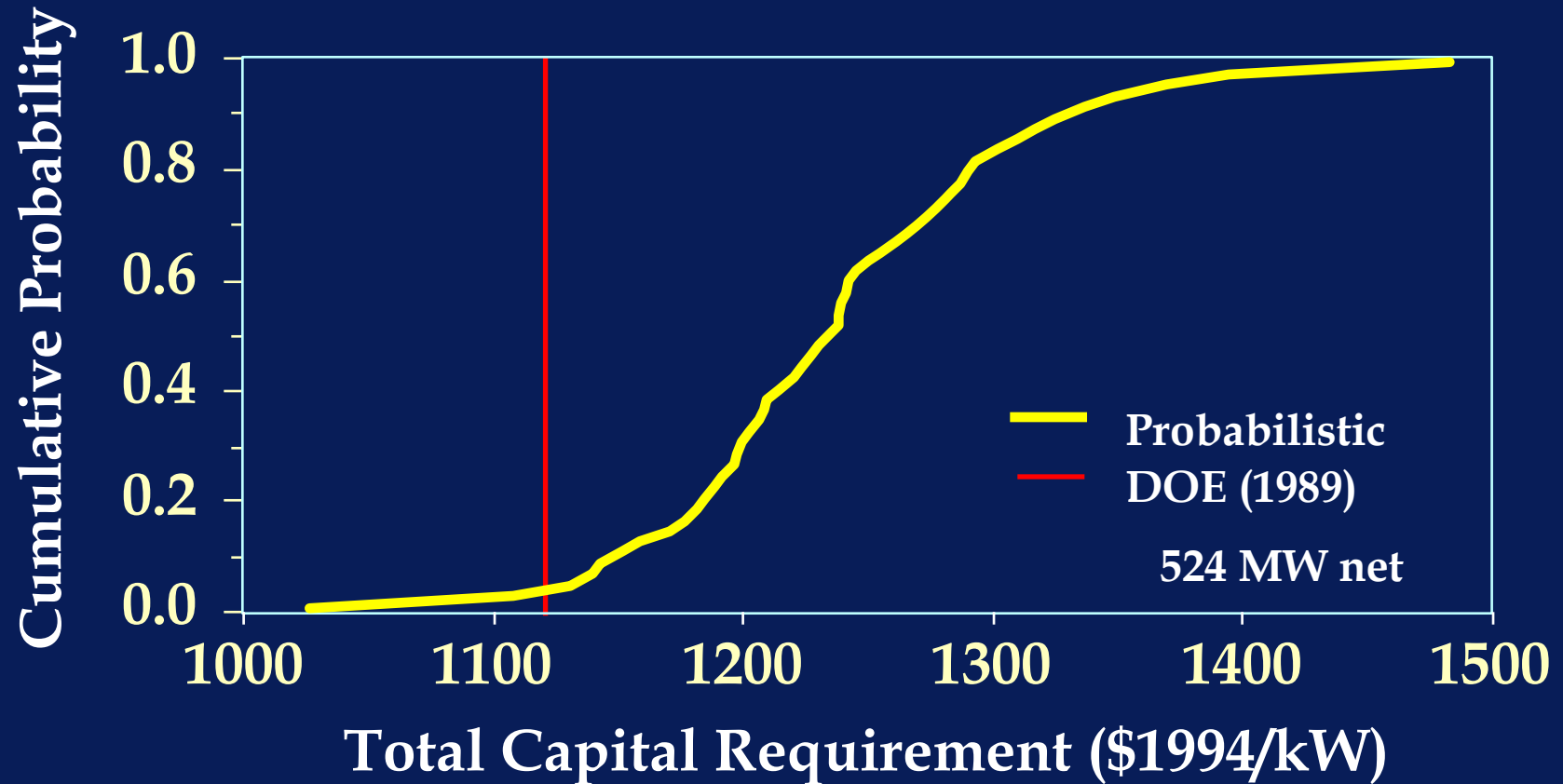
- **What performance can we expect from this technology (e.g., efficiency, emissions)? What is its expected cost, given current uncertainties?**
- **What is the likelihood of performance shortfalls? Of cost overruns?**
- **What factors or process parameters contribute most to overall uncertainty in performance 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?**



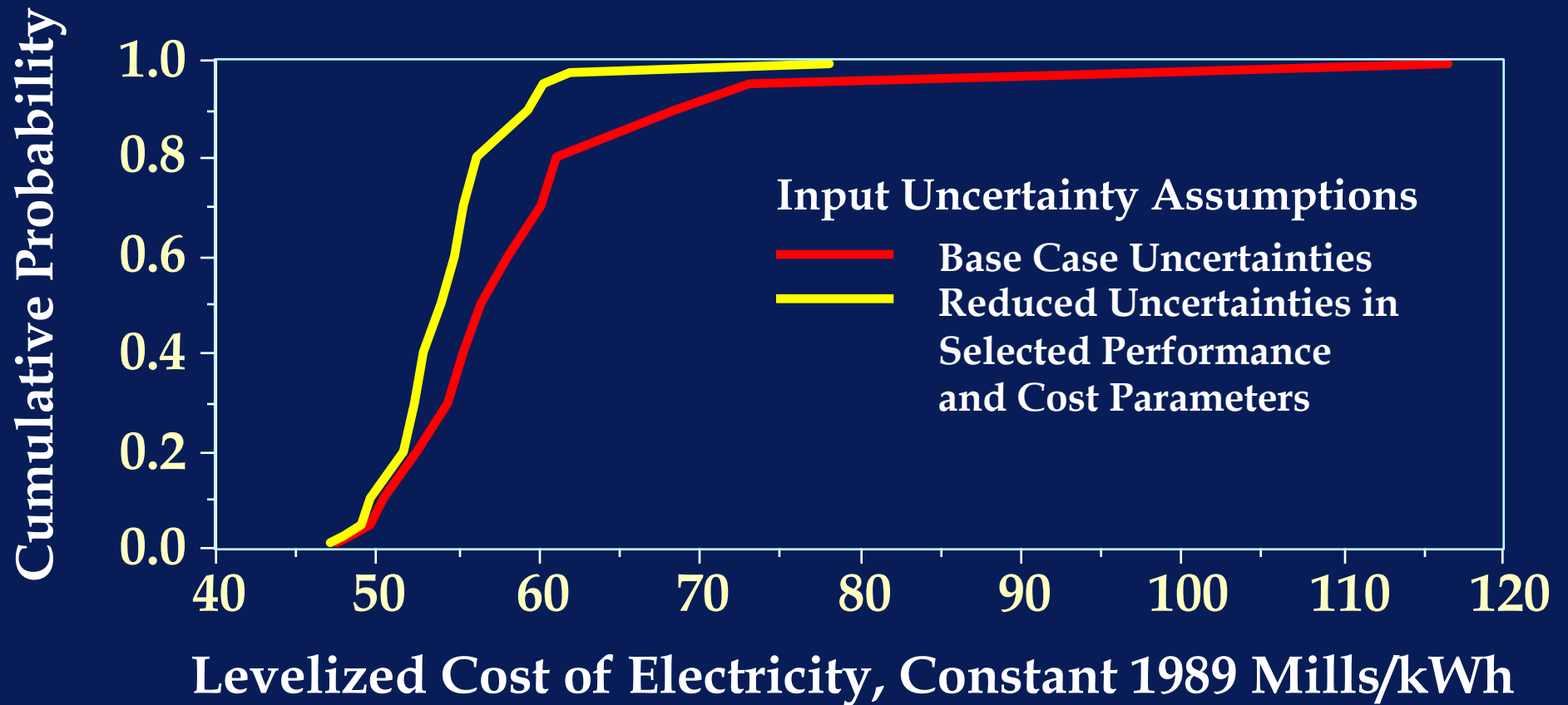
# EFCC PLANT EFFICIENCY



# SECOND GENERATION PFBC SYSTEM TOTAL CAPITAL COST



# VALUE OF TARGETED RESEARCH



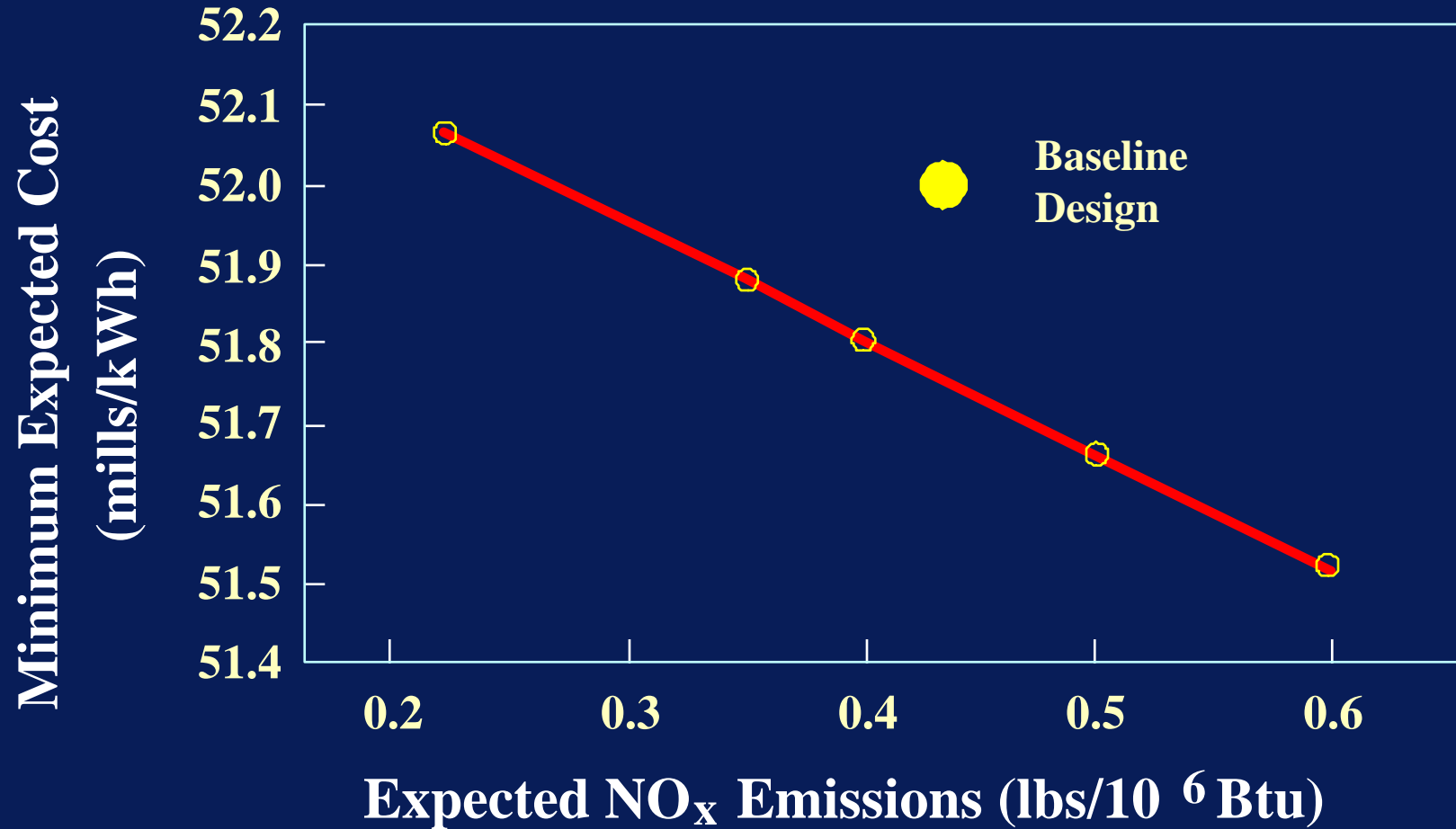
# OPTIMIZATION

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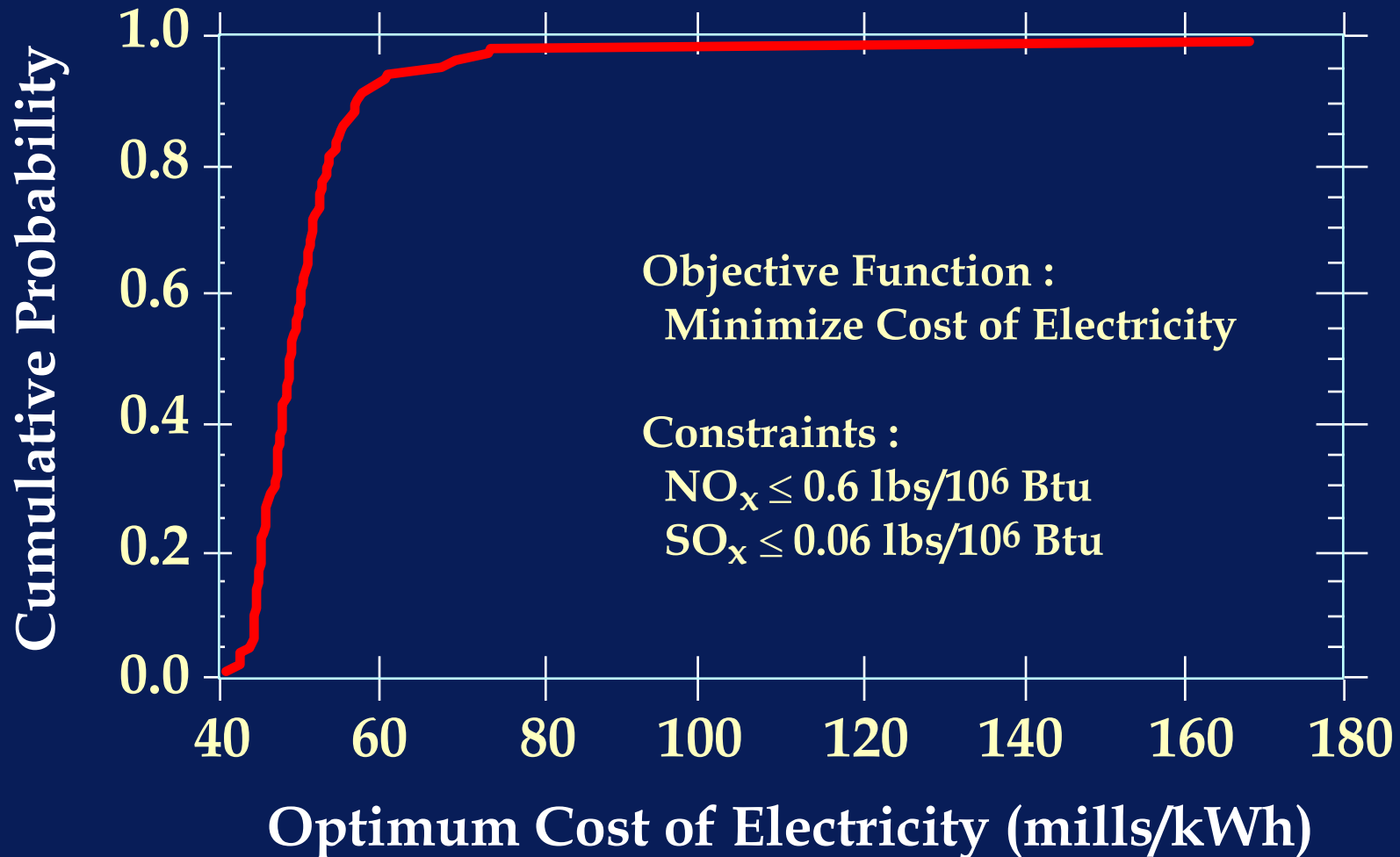
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- **Is there a better choice of parameter values for this process to improve its performance? To lower its cost?**
- **What levels of performance and cost can we expect from an optimized design?**
- **How do uncertainties in process performance and 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

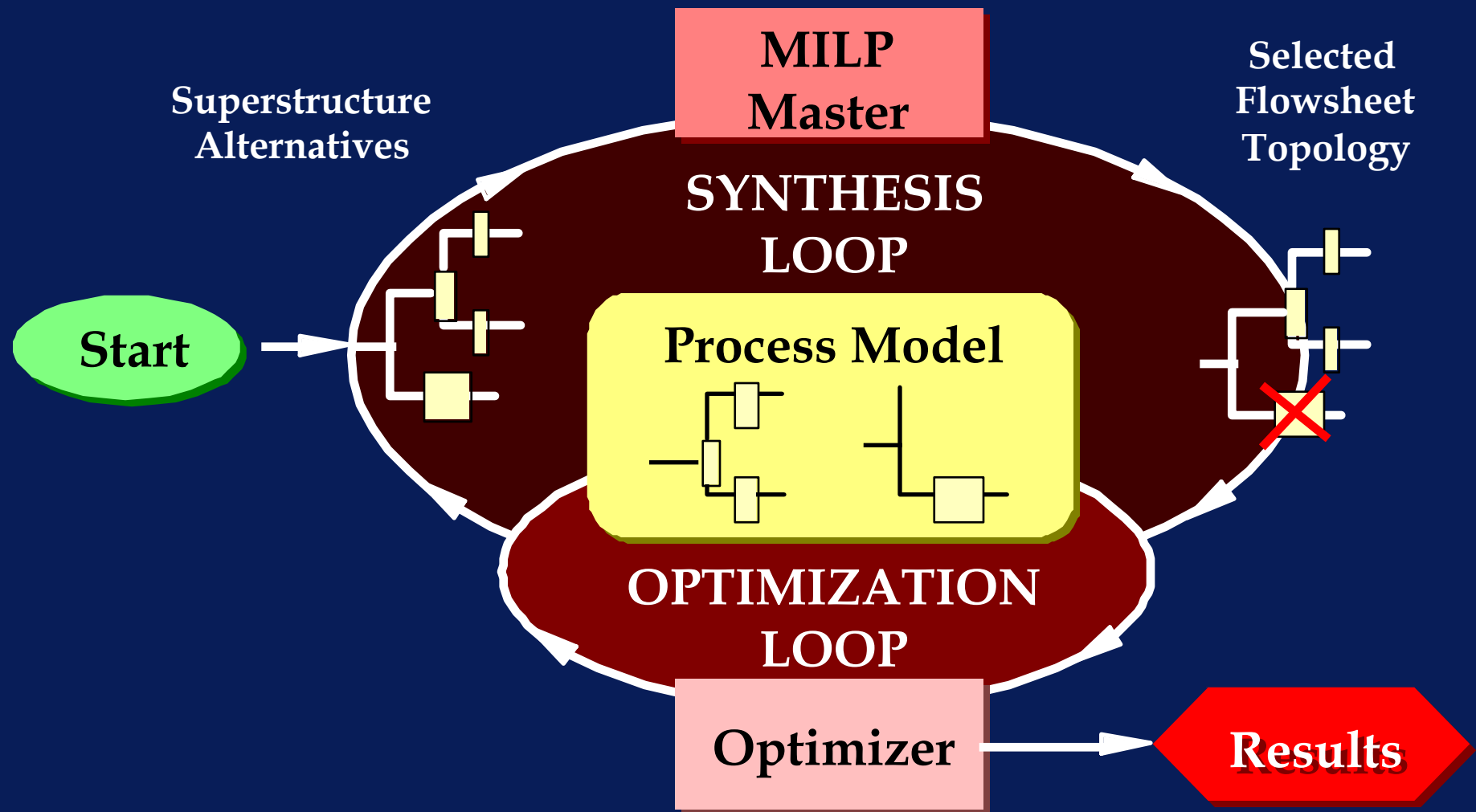


# **SOME QUESTIONS ADDRESSED BY PROCESS SYNTHESIS CAPABILITIES**

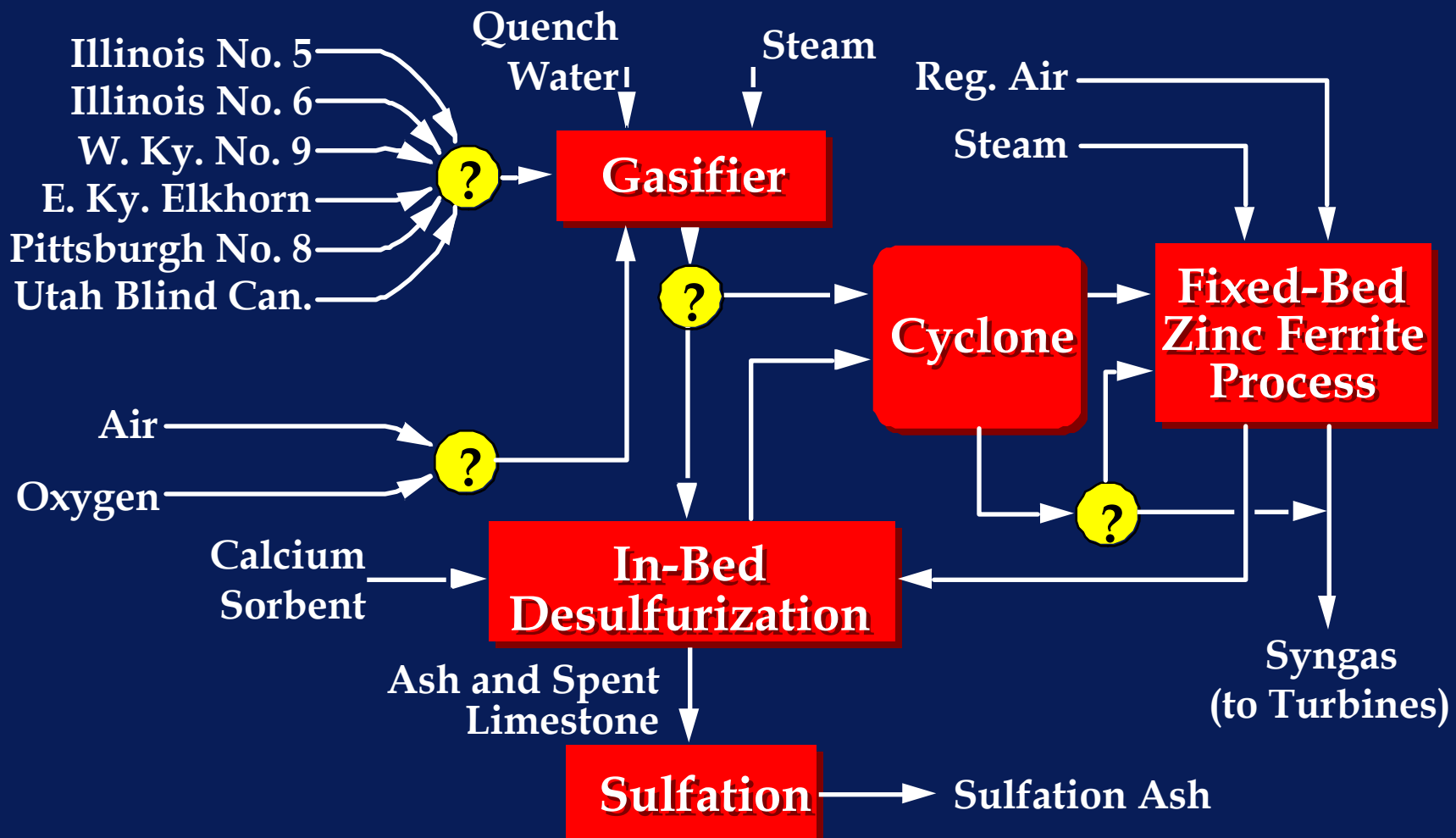
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- **How should the flowsheet be configured to achieve performance goals at lowest cost?**
- **What are the feasible flowsheet options to meet specified goals and constraints? Which options are not feasible?**
- **What are the cost savings (or performance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

# PROCESS SYNTHESIS



# SYNTHESIS OF IGCC SYSTEM



# MODEL APPLICATIONS

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