

An Abstract Process and Metrics Model for Evaluating Unified Command and Control A Scenario and Technology Agnostic Approach

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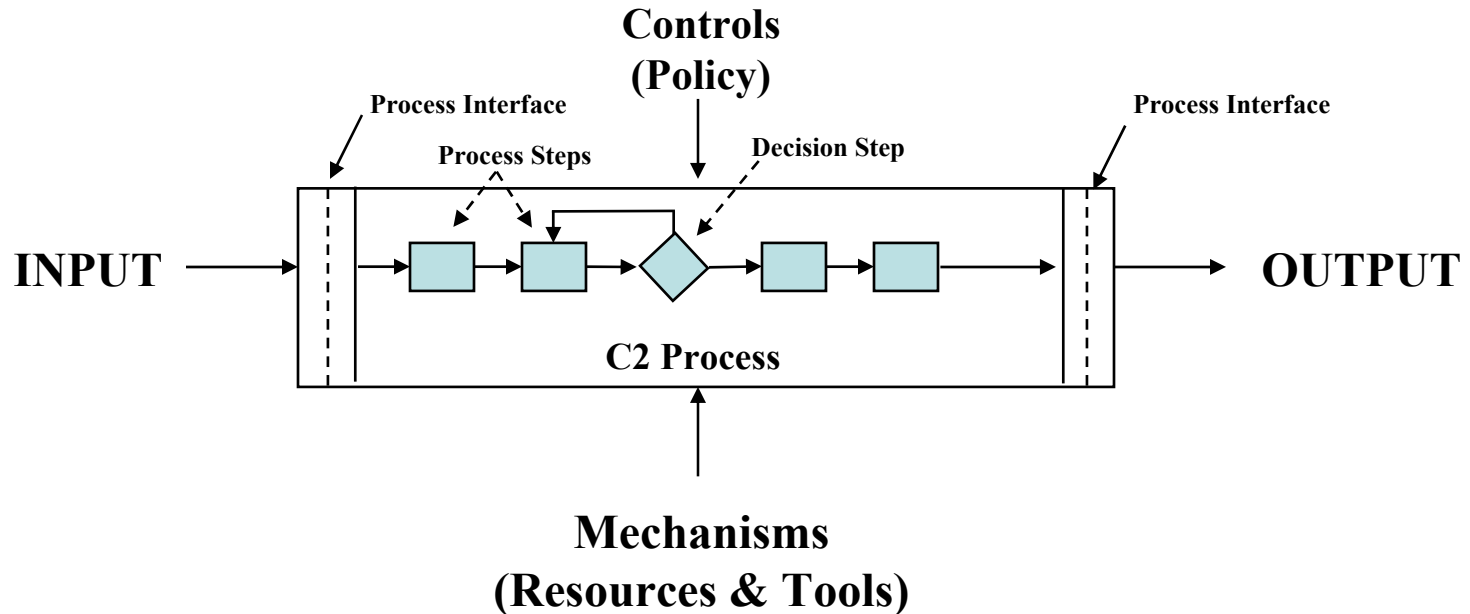
Purpose

- **The purpose of this white paper is to define a domain neutral, process centric framework and the derivative metrics required to assess process re-engineering effectiveness and capabilities based procurement.**
- **The paper focuses on processes, process performance metrics, process formalisms, and in particular emphasizes process effectiveness gains through improved process adaptability and improved cognitive capabilities**
- **Unified Command & Control refers to several concepts:**
 - **Integrating National & Strategic Policy, Traditional C2, Multi-national and Interagency Policy and C2 structures**
 - **Policy management for Service Oriented Architecture, NCW Capability Access**
 - **Unified C2 Procurement Governance in Network Centric Warfare Environment**

Presentation Goal

CHANGING THE PARADIGM

Think in terms of processes to develop Capability Base Procurement Metrics
Do NCW mechanisms imply a change to existing process models?



The Abstract Model

- No Technology implied – resources can be carrier pigeons, message runners, computational agents, or chat software
- No pre-defined C2 processes assumed – OODA, etc.
- Metrics apply to any process
- Answers the question concerning whether or not NCW capabilities actually improve anything in a measurable manner
- Justifies procurement decisions based upon capability added

Process Metrics

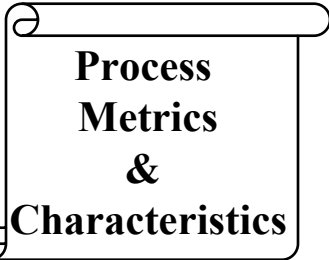
- Analysis Latency
- Data Latency
- Decision Latency
- Action Distance
- Node Viscosity
- Process Viscosity
- Span of Control
- Process Efficiency
- Simultaneity
- Synchrony
- Adaptability
- Responsiveness
- Mechanism Realignment Latency
- Controls Realignment Latency
- Process Error Rate

Process Input Characteristics

- Volume
- Frequency
- Completeness
- Known Policy Map
- Complexity
- Inter-problem Relatedness
- Time Criticality
- Urgency
- Command Execution Status
- Negative Influence Memes
- Single Version of Truth
- Actionable Granularity

Process Output Characteristics

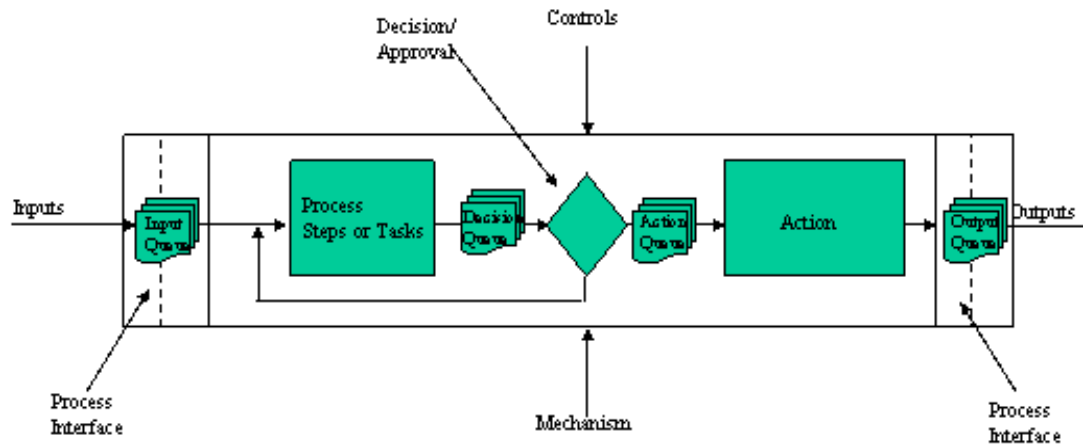
- Volume
- Frequency
- Understandability
- Memetic Content
- COA Set
- Policy
- Urgency
- Complexity
- Time Criticality
- Actionable Granularity
- Inter-problem relatedness
- Memes



Process
Metrics
&
Characteristics

Process Model & Formal Definition

Basic Sequential Process with Queues Added



$$P_i = \langle V_i, R_i \rangle$$

where

V_i is a set of variables (or nodes) whose assignments change over time, and

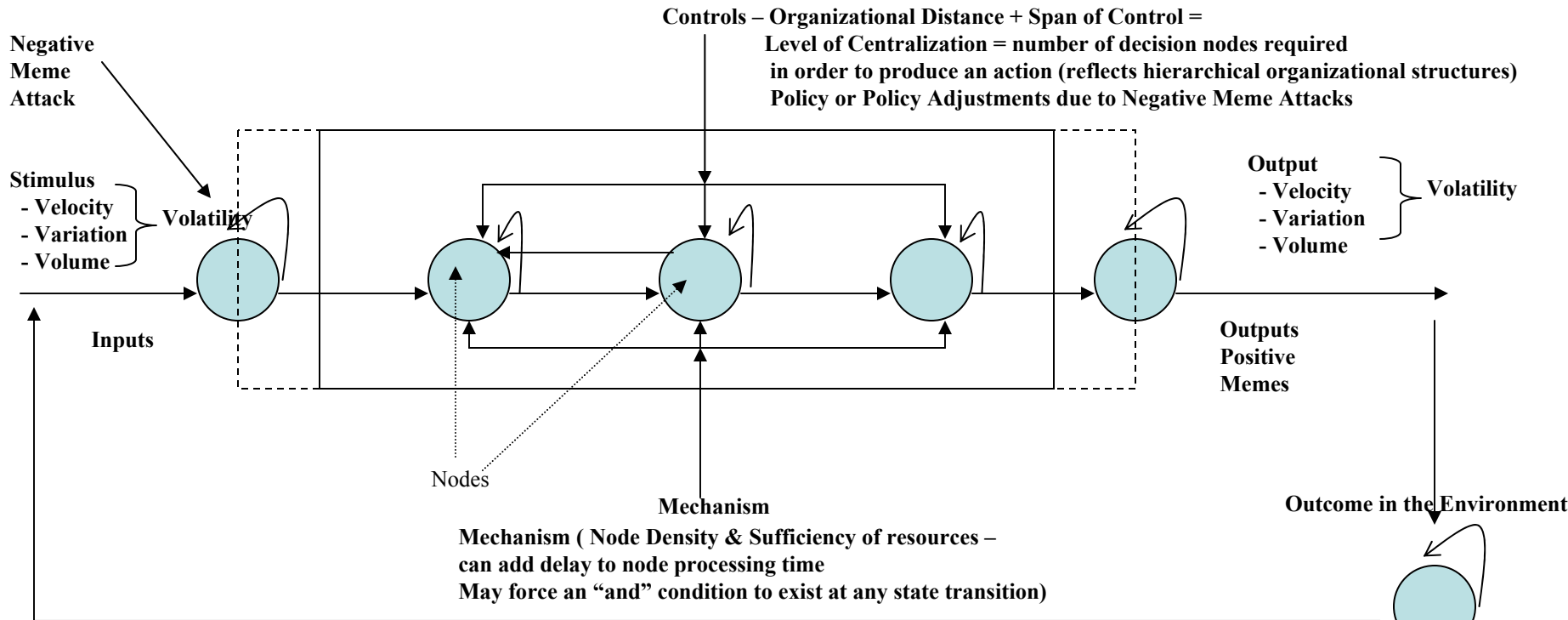
$$R_i \subset V_i^+ \times t \rightarrow V_i^+$$

is a set of rules governing how those changes take place over time.

$$P = \bigcup_i \{P_i\} \text{ is the set of all processes}$$

Information Flow Metrics Context

Process Behavior During a Meme Attack



Negative Meme Attack – Are Memes True? France & Vatican maintain Iraq Policy is Immoral

Action Distance = Data Latency + Analysis Latency + Decision Latency

Throughput delay = Action Distance + Queue Processing Delay

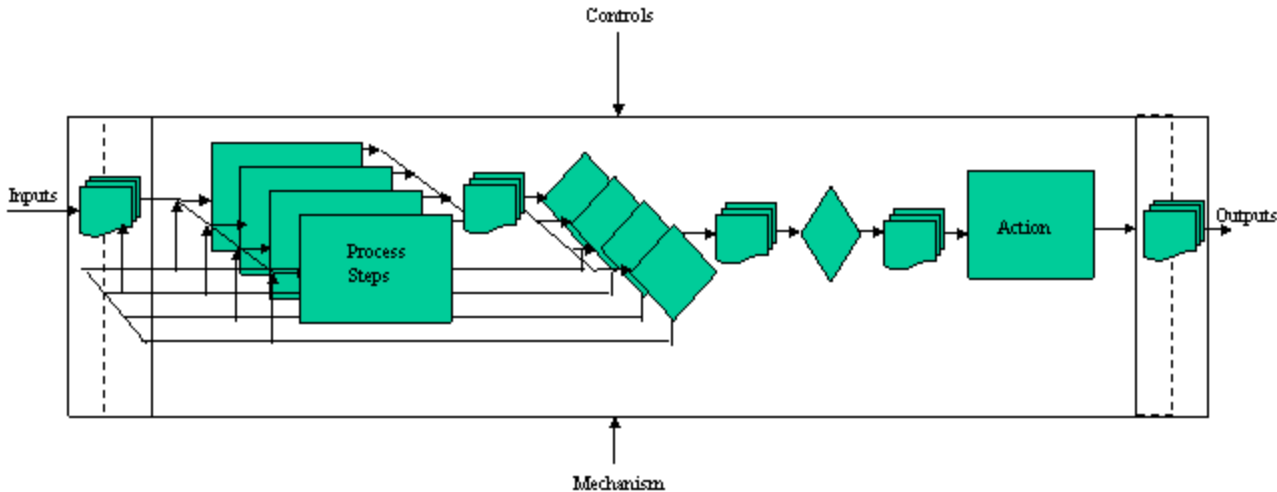
Viscosity = degree of conflict at a node due to information particles being contradictory with respect to each other – no Single Version of The Truth. Analysis Time + data collection time required to resolve before a decisions can be made, becomes primary driver of rework and “E” value in Process Viscosity Reynolds's Number value

Organizational Reynolds Number (Process Viscosity) =
 $E = \text{probability of errors}$ $C = \text{level of centralization}$, $D = \text{degree of task interdependence}$
 $OR_n = e/C + 0.25 * \text{Log}(D)$ Reynolds Number range value interpretations =
 OR_n approaches 0.25 – process is at risk of failure
 $OR_n > 0.25$ – process is in a state of information flow

Production Efficiency + Process Effectiveness

Organizational Reynolds Number Computation – A Process Viscosity Metric Example – Business Process Re- Organization Indicator

Basic Parallel Process with Queues Added



All approvals mandatory and concurrent

The Organizational Reynolds Number = $ORn = e/C + 0.25 \cdot \text{Log}(D)$

**E = Routine tasks typically have a 0.05 probability of error,
and highly innovative tasks have an 0.15 error probability**

D = 4 Rework Lines = dependency ratio (rework links per task)

C = Centralization factor (low=1.2, medium=1, high=0.8)

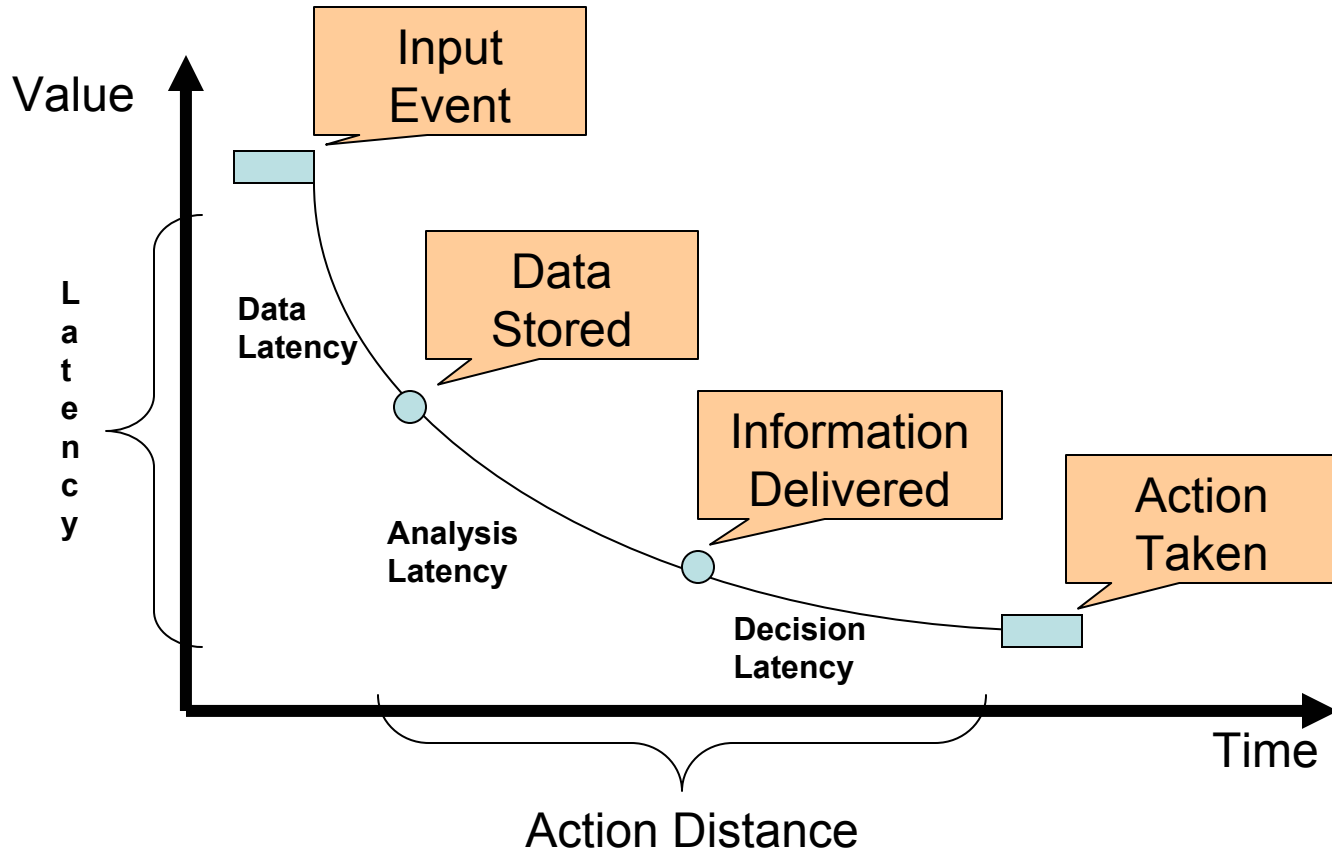
$ORn = .05/1 + 0.25 \cdot (\text{Log}(4)) = .05 + (.25 \cdot (.6026)) = .05 + (.1505) = .2005$

or

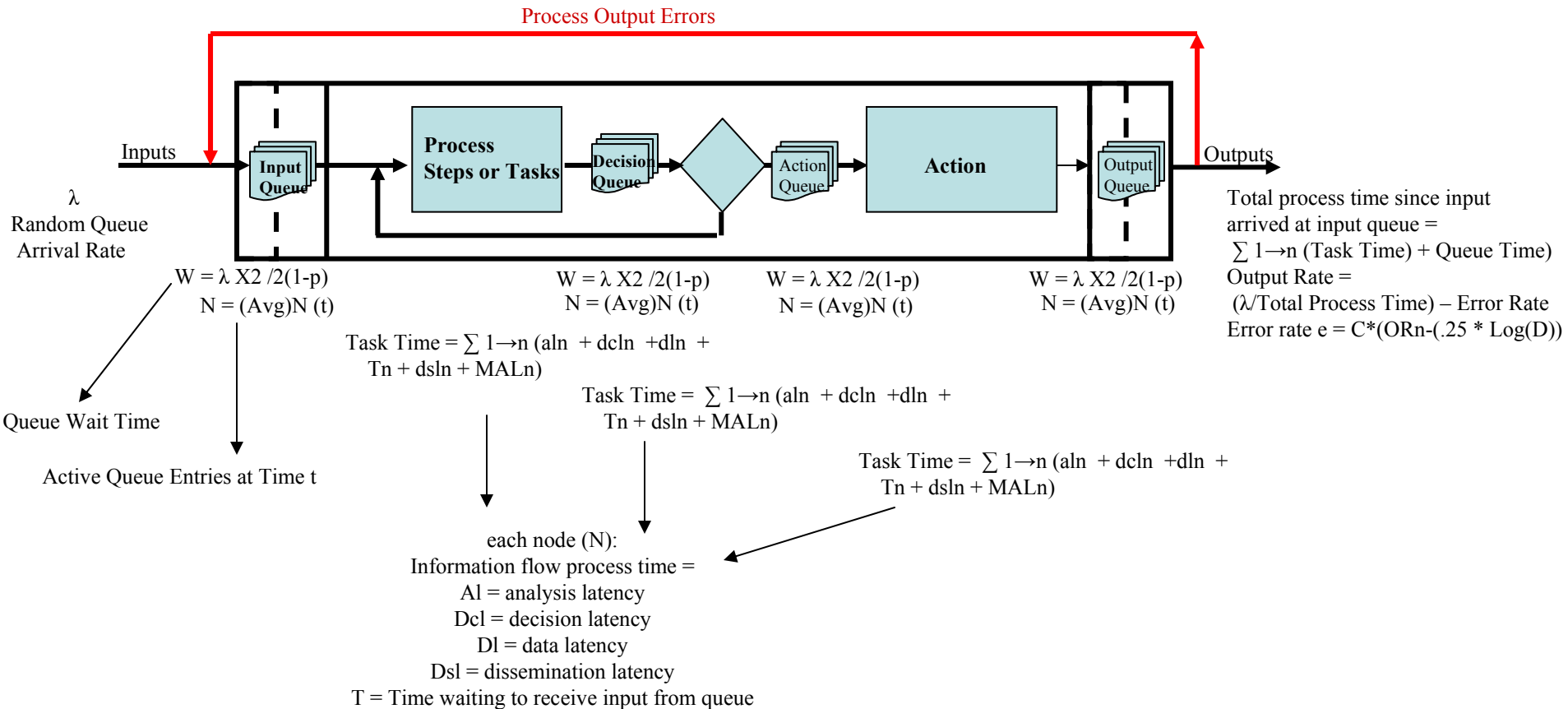
$ORn = .15/1 + 0.25 \cdot (\text{Log}(4)) = .15 + (.25 \cdot (.6026)) = .15 + (.1505) = .3005$

If the ORn is greater than .25, information flow will be turbulent

Latency Model



Non-Poisson Model Validations



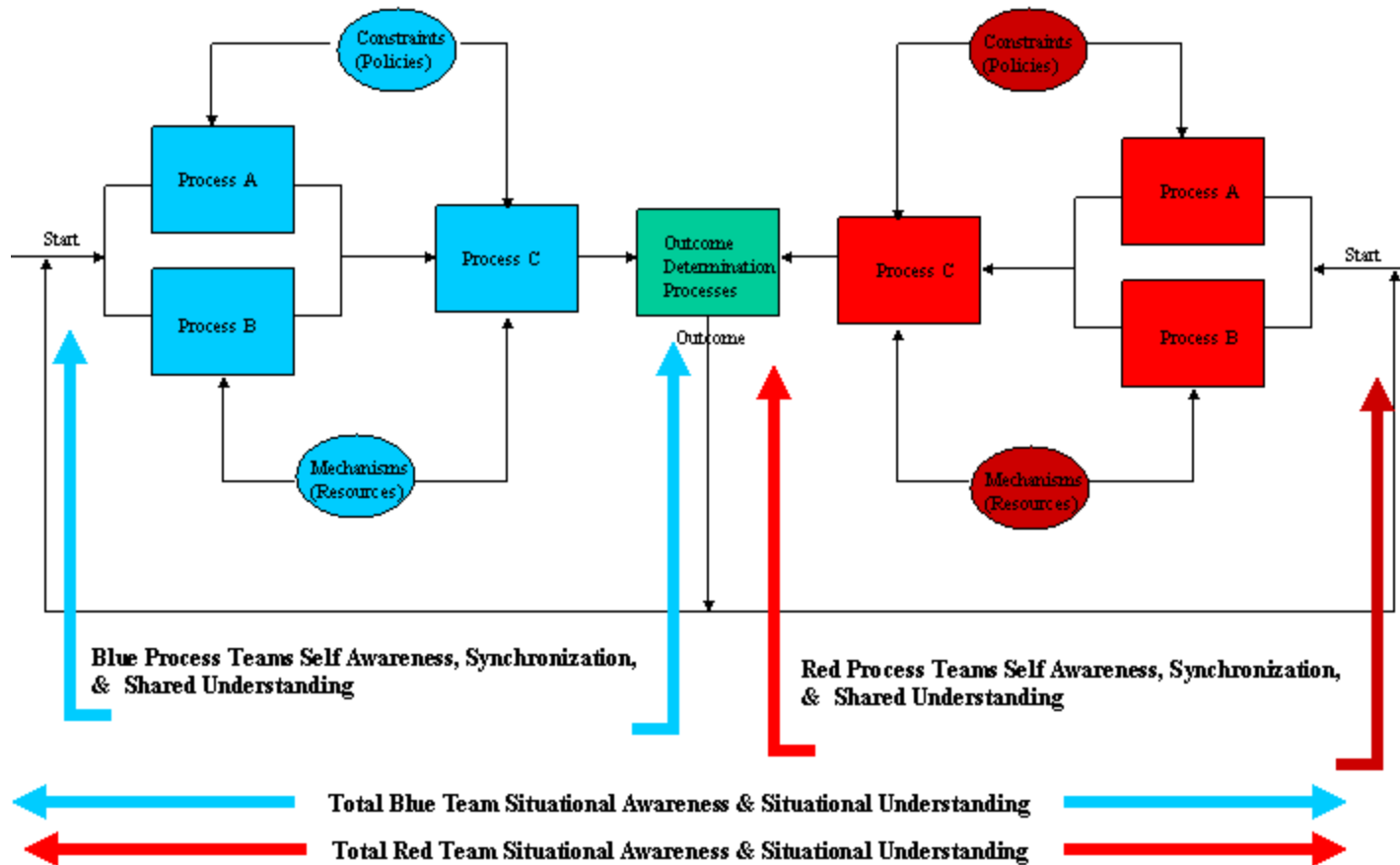
Expectations – given a non-Poisson rate, random volume, with changing input types and characteristics, process models should exhibit random latency scores, longer queue times, more internal rework, more intra-process communication and higher Organizational Reynolds Numbers. These randomizations should produce good output until the ORn is exceeded by volume problems, velocity problems, mechanism availability problems, and unforeseen time critical or urgency problems. We would expect to incur larger output error rates in terms of poor decisions, poorly understood intent and COAs, increased rework, and communications, but we should particularly anticipate that an increasing percentage of time critical and urgent inputs will go un-serviced at the various queues.

For this non-Poisson instance of the model: the input characteristics should be:

time criticality = random, Truth content = random, urgency = random, process controls = random, mechanism availability = random (this will by definition increase queue service times to the breaking point)

What is Situational Awareness?

Blue vs. Red Processes



Time Sequence

Time 0 – Red Conceptualizes a Surprise Attack Against Blue

Time 1 – Red Completes Detailed Planning & Course of Action

Time 2 – Red Assembles Resources and Positions for Attack

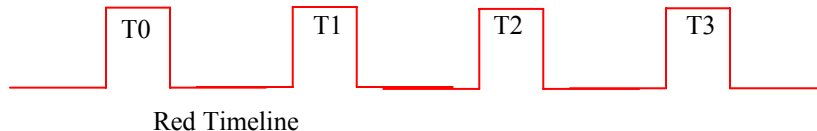
Time 3 – Red Attacks- Blue not prepared Suffers Resource Damages

Score = Red +2 Blue -2

Observation of outcome

Red – Synchronized, Aware, Organized, minimum resource usage

Blue – Unorganized, Unsynchronized, Resources Lost, Awareness begins at T3, little to no understanding



Adversarial Process Interface

Opposing Controls & Policies

Blue Controls

Red Controls

Blue Triage Queues

Red Triage Queues

Opposing Mechanisms & Resources

Blue Mechanisms & Resources

Red Mechanisms & Resources

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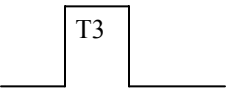
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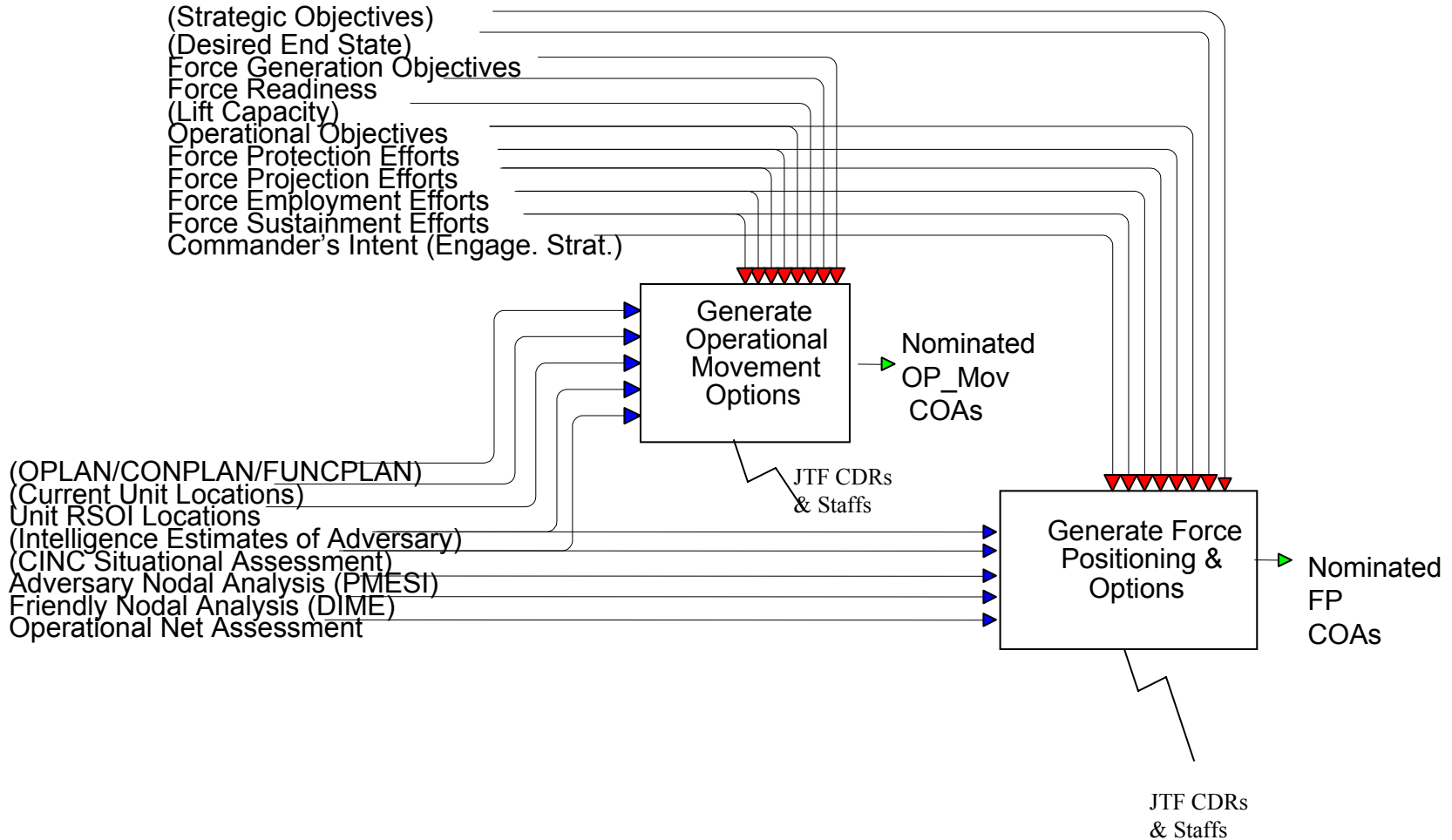
Resolution Node

Inputs

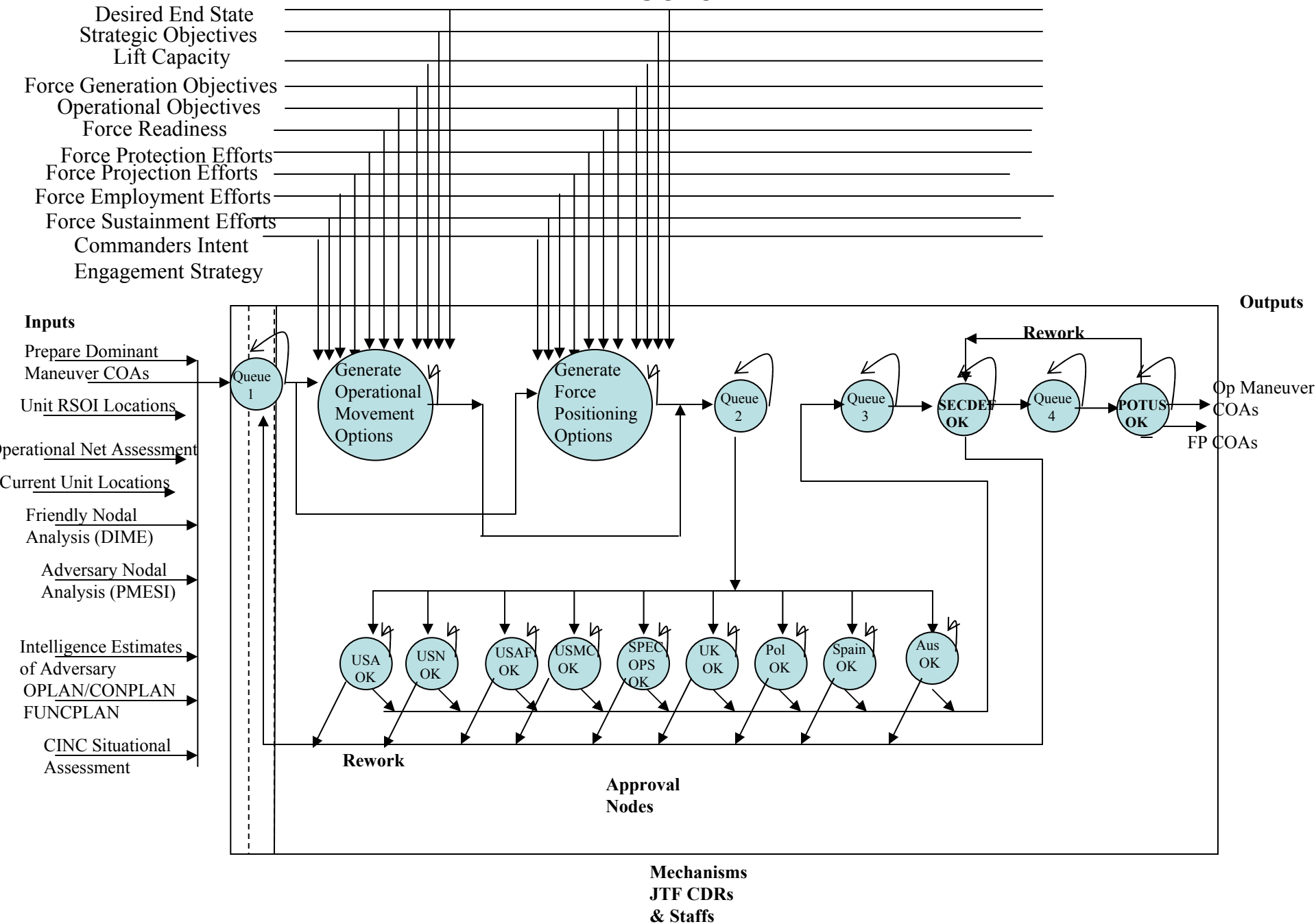
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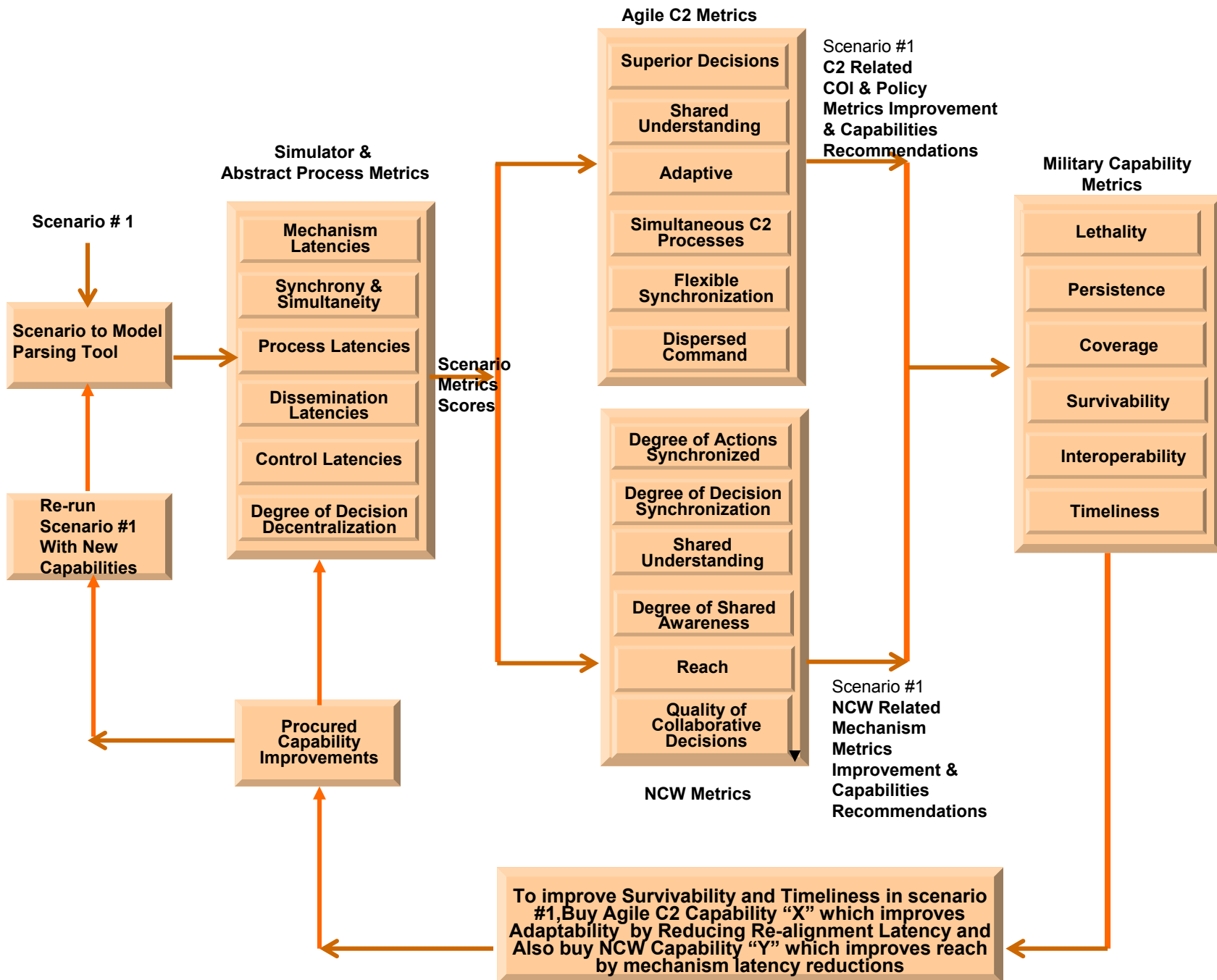
Sub Process to Generate Dominant Maneuver Operational Movement and Force Positioning COA Options



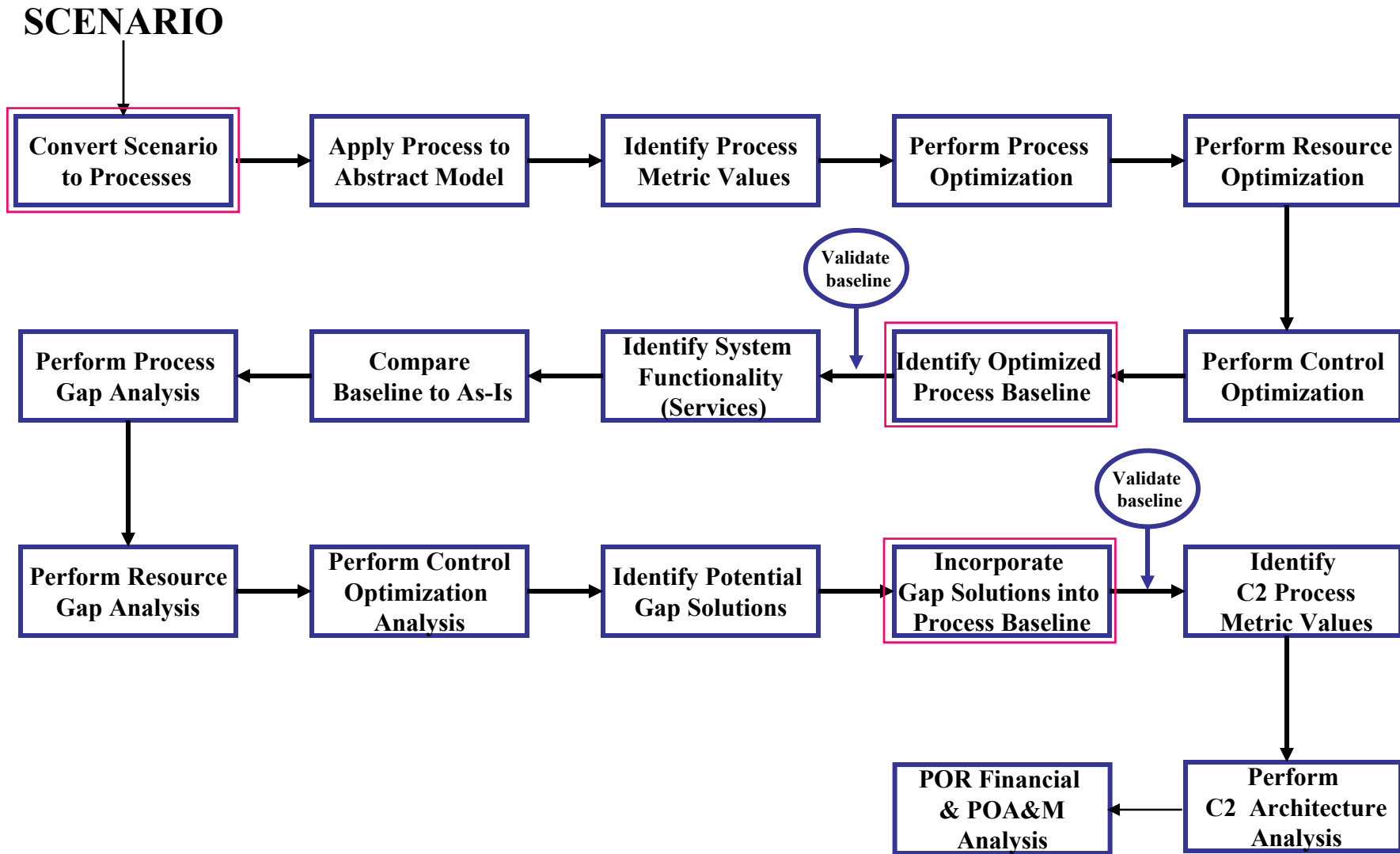
Sub Process 2 –Create Dominant Maneuver COAs



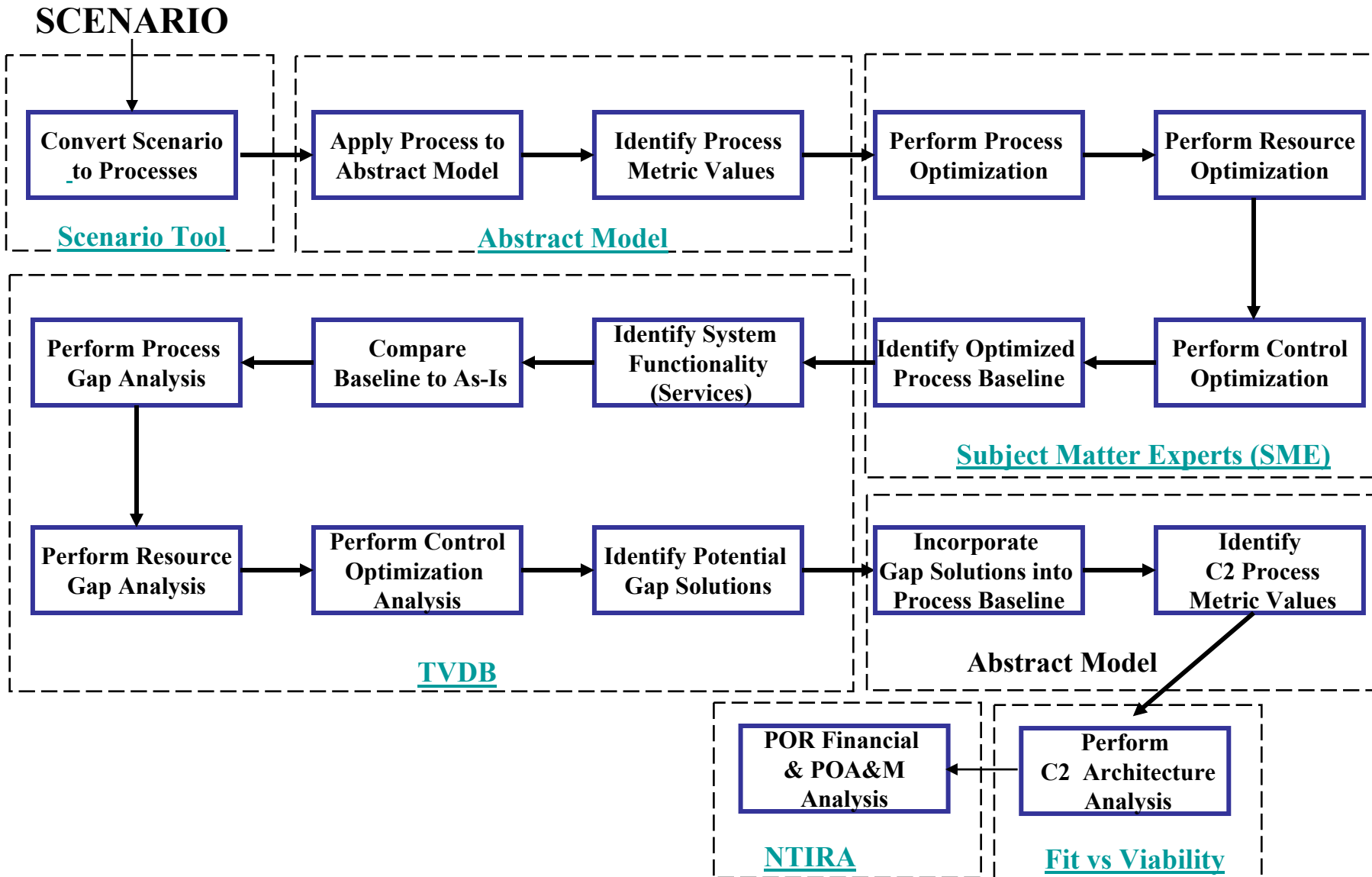
Capability Based Procurement Justification Process Metrics Flow



Assessment Process Steps



Where Do The Tools Fit In???



Next Steps

- **Process Theoretic**
 - Evaluate Baldwin Effect Impact on Mechanism Re-Alignment Latency
 - Pursue the Potential Impact of Gaian Guilds on Process Re-Design
 - Can Agent Based Mechanisms Reduce Joint, Inter-Agency, and Multinational Process Complexity?
- **Build tools**
 - Scenario Parser
 - XBML Language to C2XML to Policy Language Parsers
 - Abstract Model Simulator with Automated Abstract Metrics to Agile C2 & NCW Metrics Mapping
 - Dr. Raymond Paul's Policy Framework Tool Set
- **Validate Equations**
- **Validate Meme Policy Response Capability of Abstract Model Simulator**
- **Model Memes Using Genetic Algorithms for Improved Policy Adaptation & Automated Creation of Multiple Policy Courses of Action**