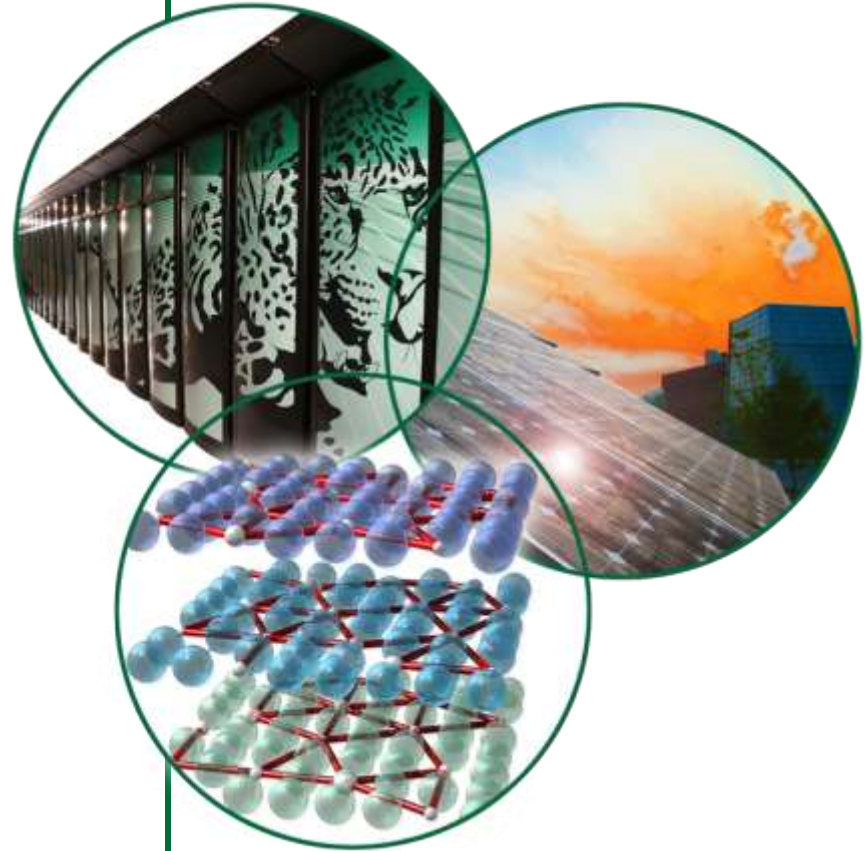


# Approach to Reliable Operation

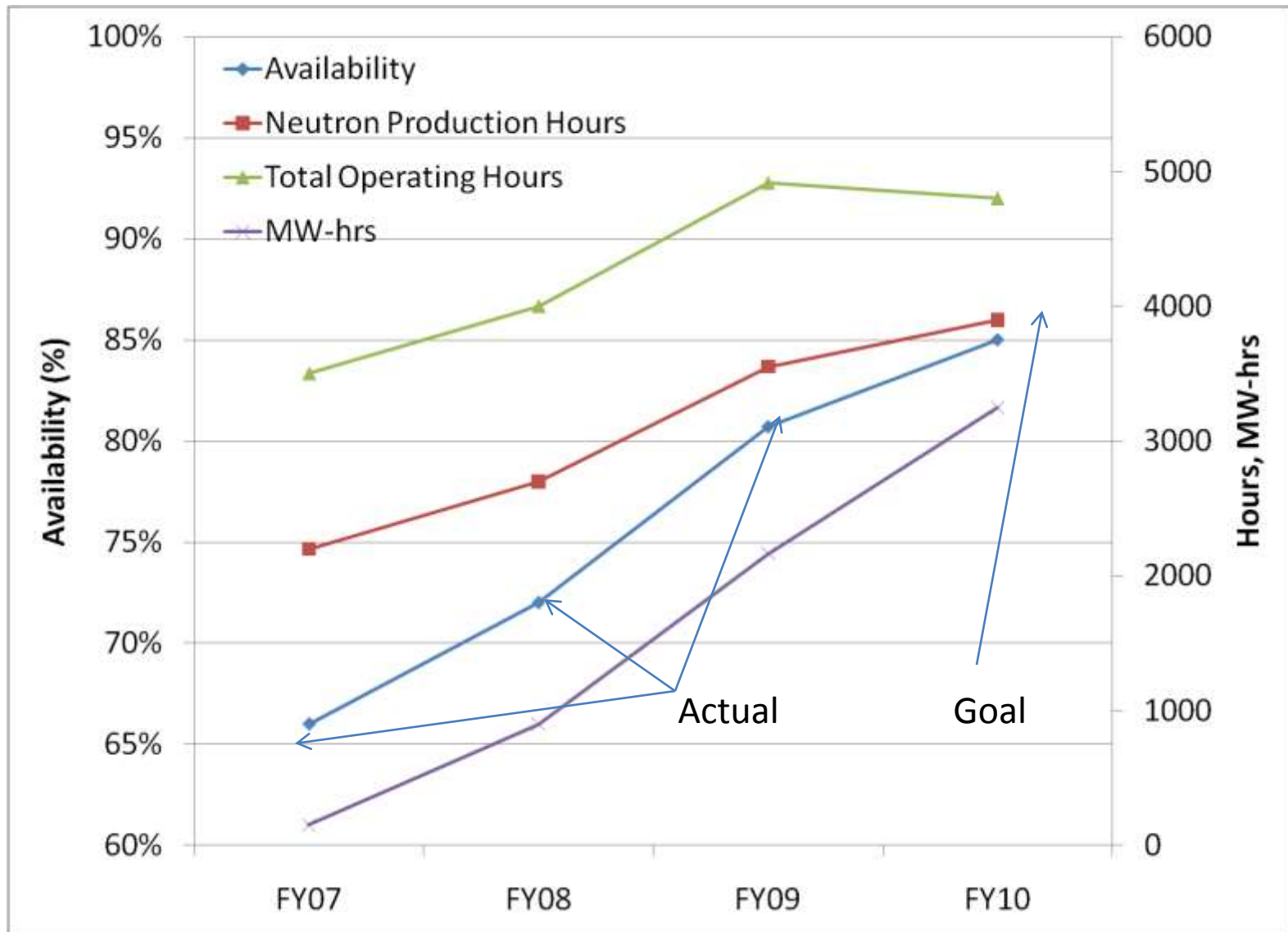
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# SNS Availability

85% looks achievable but for >90% a plan is needed



# Approach to Reliable Operation

## 1. Create a Plan for 95% Availability

- **Set downtime goals for 90% and 95% Availability**
  - Downtime apportioned by group, system as appropriate
- **Evaluation of the major sources of downtime**
  - Use performance data to determine largest downtime contributors by Group, System, Sub-System, Sub-Sub-System....
  - Determine root causes of equipment failure
  - Determine actual Failure Rate (MTBF) and Mean Time to Repair/Recover Time (MTTRR) and compare with RAMI Model
  - Formulate downtime reduction strategy
    - Tailored approach: address the biggest downtime contributors first and “low hanging fruit” along the way
    - Incorporate in 95% Availability Plan
    - Can we repair failed systems faster?
    - Predictive maintenance and proactive equipment replacement
  - Complete an Operations Vulnerability Analysis

# Approach to Reliable Operation (cont'd)

## 2. Develop spares plan

- Determine appropriate number of spares based on
  - Number of installed units, MTBF, Mean time to acquire new or repair broken,
  - Acquire spares so that we are not limited by spare parts availability

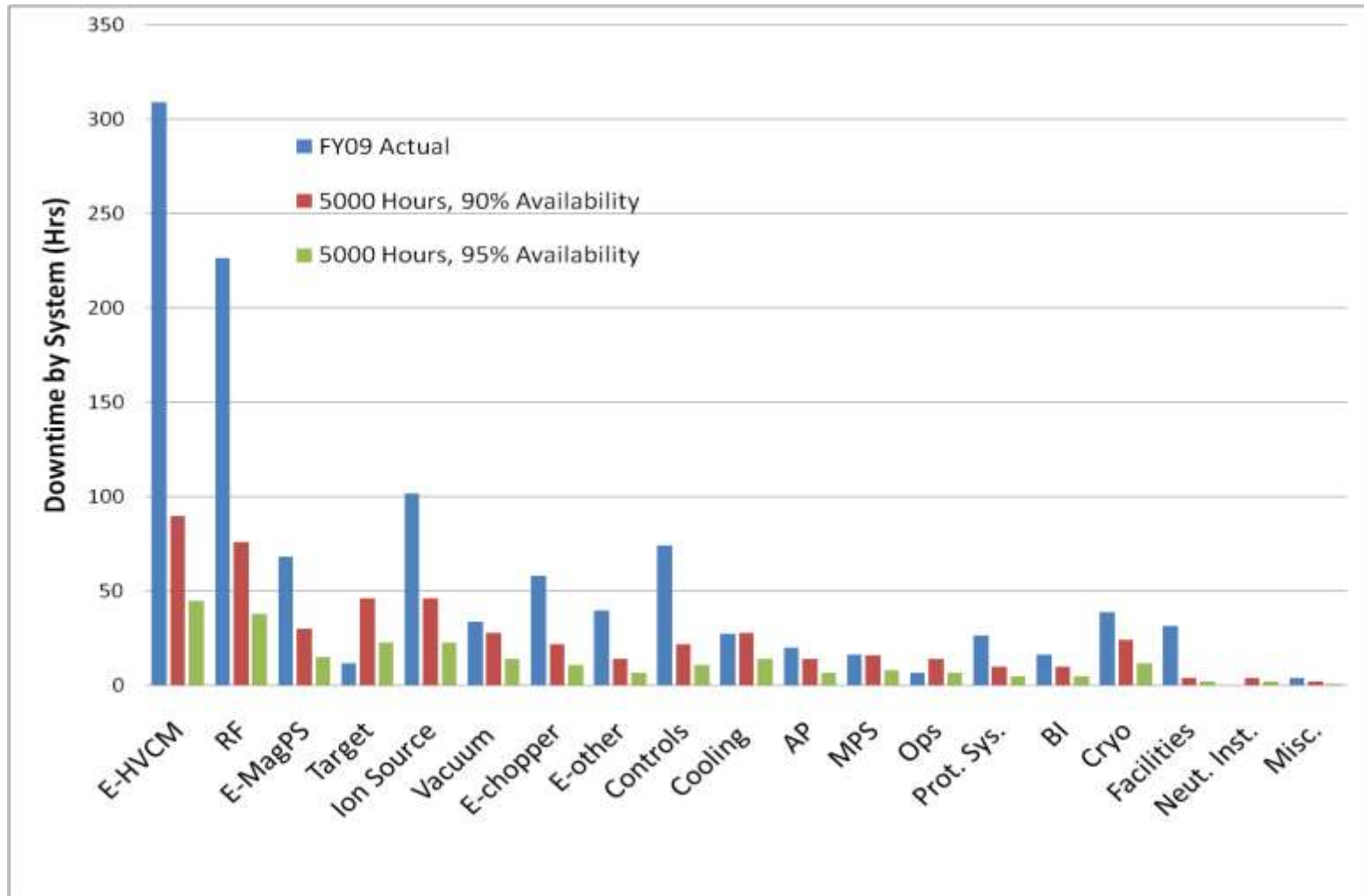
## 3. Configuration Control

- Ensure that new designs and design changes are handled properly
- Ensure systems documentation as-built's are captured and updated
- Ensure assets are tracked and managed in Datastream

# 95% Availability Plan

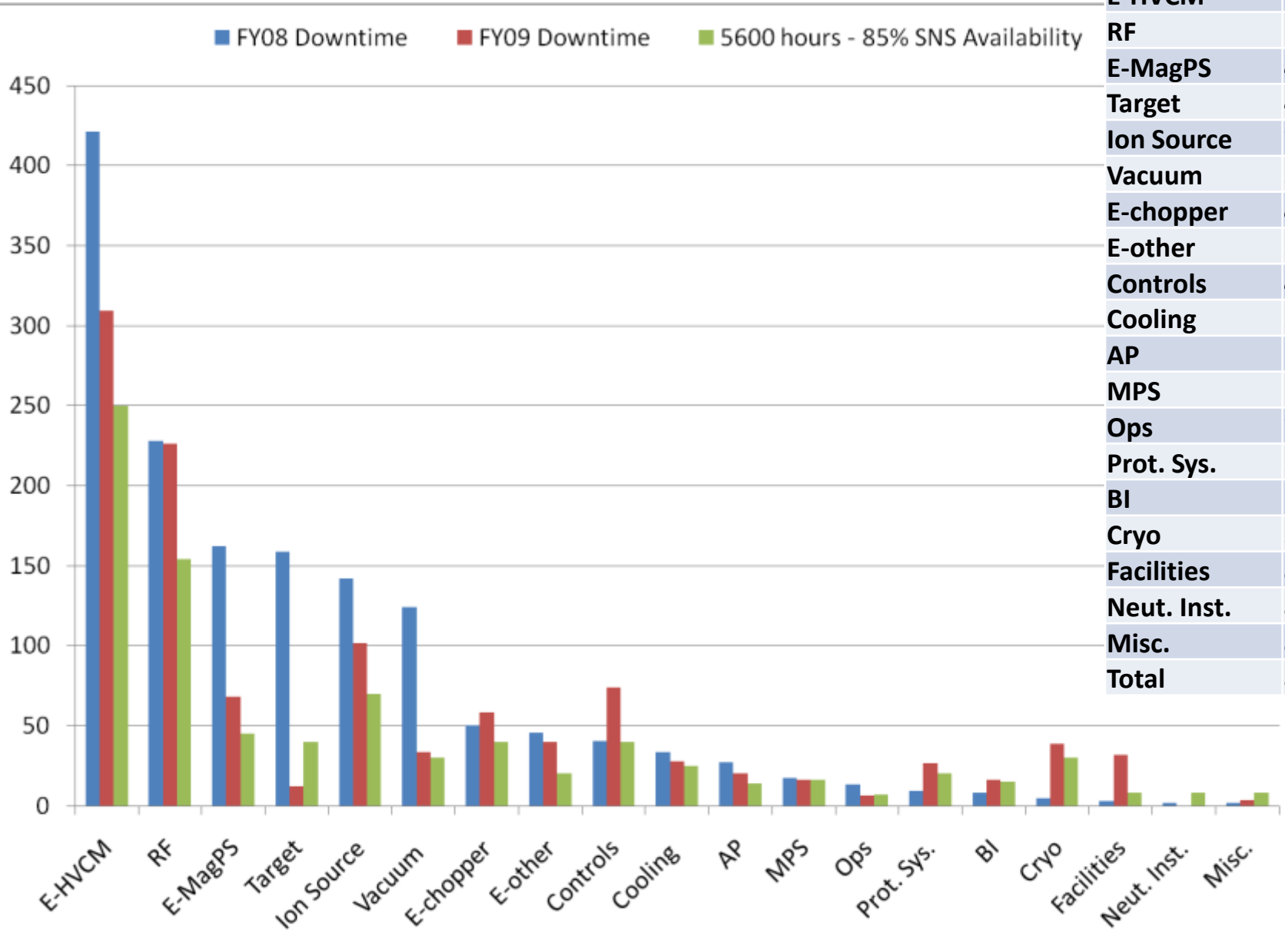
- **Develop a plan for each system**
- **System Plans will be combined into an overall availability plan**
- **We will formulate a plan using 95% as a “design point” to assess scope, cost and schedule for required improvements**
- **Continue to emphasize that 95% availability is a long-term target for SNS availability, not a promise**

# Downtime Goals by System for 90% and 95% Availability



System	FY08 Downtime	5000 hours- 95% SNS Availability			5000 hours - 90% SNS Availability		
		Downtime Fraction	Hours	Availability	Downtime Fraction	Hours	Availability
E-HVCM	421.2	18%	45	99.10%	18%	90	98.20%
RF	227.7	15%	38	99.24%	15%	76	98.48%
E-MagPS	162.2	6%	15	99.70%	6%	30	99.40%
Target	158.9	9%	23	99.54%	9%	46	99.08%
Ion Source	142.2	9%	23	99.54%	9%	46	99.08%
Vacuum	124	6%	14	99.72%	6%	28	99.44%
E-chopper	50.3	4%	11	99.78%	4%	22	99.56%
E-other	45.6	3%	7	99.86%	3%	14	99.72%
Controls	40.7	4%	11	99.78%	4%	22	99.56%
Cooling	33.7	6%	14	99.72%	6%	28	99.44%
AP	27.3	3%	7	99.86%	3%	14	99.72%
MPS	17.3	3%	8	99.84%	3%	16	99.68%
Ops	13.4	3%	7	99.86%	3%	14	99.72%
Prot. Sys.	9.4	2%	5	99.90%	2%	10	99.80%
BI	8.4	2%	5	99.90%	2%	10	99.80%
Cryo	4.7	5%	12	99.76%	5%	24	99.52%
Facilities	3.1	1%	2	99.96%	1%	4	99.92%
Neut. Inst.	2	1%	2	99.96%	1%	4	99.92%
Misc.	2	0%	1	99.98%	0%	2	99.96%
<b>Total</b>		<b>100%</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>95.00%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>90.00%</b>

# FY10 Downtime Goals



System	Downtime Hours
E-HVCM	250
RF	154
E-MagPS	45
Target	40
Ion Source	70
Vacuum	30
E-chopper	40
E-other	20
Controls	40
Cooling	25
AP	14
MPS	16
Ops	7
Prot. Sys.	20
BI	15
Cryo	30
Facilities	8
Neut. Inst.	8
Misc.	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>840</b>



# **Management Information Systems for Downtime Reporting and Equipment Tracking (identify largest sources of downtime)**

- **Downtime is assigned using the Shift Closeout page in the Operations Administration System (OAS), an ORACLE application.**
- **Downtime is reported by Group, Sub-Group, Sub-Sub Group....**
  - **The structure is as deep as it makes sense to use in tracking.**
  - **The OAS reporting structure is being created as a duplicate to the Equipment Structure in the Equipment Tracking/Maintenance Management System Datastream 7i (Infor)**
  - **The two systems will eventually be linked for direct tracking of downtime by position and asset**

# Evaluations of Beam Downtime > 12 Hrs

- For beamtime loss > 12 Hours we hold an Evaluation done in accordance with SNS OPM 6.B-1 "SNS Neutron Beam Production Downtime Evaluation Process". This
- The Evaluation includes:
  - A description and timeline of the associated events including System Response.
  - A summary of the root-cause of the failure.
  - An evaluation of the risk/likelihood that similar events may occur in the future.
  - A summary of suggested improvements that can mitigate this risk.
- The Evaluations are on the RAD SharePoint Site

# Determine the Root Cause of the Failure (Example)

- In the HVCMs the IGBT Switchplate capacitors failed at ~20% of their expected lifetime
- Fit failure data to Weibull distribution to determine where in the distribution they are failing (infant, random, wear-out)
- The capacitors were overheating
- Tried several different types of replacements
- Settled on the TPC solid capacitors
  - Run much cooler
  - Successfully tested for 9 months of operation
- Compare with RAMI Expectations
  - Model prediction is MTBF of 27,000 Hrs for HVCMs MTBF
  - Create plan for 10,000 Hrs with current design
  - Improve design to achieve 27,000 Hrs

# Goals for Electrical Systems (Example)

Downtime budget for 90% and 95% availability of Electrical Systems for 5000 operating hours are as follows:

## For 90% availability:

Modulators	90 hours
Power Supplies	30 hours
Choppers	22 hours
Other	14 hours
Total	156 hours

## For 95% availability:

Modulators	45 hours
Power Supplies	15 hours
Choppers	11 hours
Other	7 hours
Total	78 hours

# Experience Based Plan (Example)

## High Voltage Converter Modulators

- **MTTR for failures outside of the tank averages 3 hours**
- **MTTR for failures inside the tank averages 12 hours**
- **Inside to outside tank failures occur at a ratio of about 10:1.**
- **For 90% availability, the budget is 90 hours or 2 inside tank and 22 outside tank for 24 total failures. This is a system MTBF of 208 hours. For each of the 15 systems it means an average MTBF of 3125 hours.**
- **For 95% availability, the budget is 45 hours or 1 inside tank and 11 outside tank for 12 total failures. This is a system MTBF of 416 hours. For each of 15 systems a MTBF of 6250 hours. A MTBF of 6000 hours was reached (albeit at very low duty cycles) before the onset of capacitor problems, so in principal, this goal is also within reach.**

# Experience Based Plan (continued)

The short term goal is to reach 10,000 hours MTBF for the Modulators. These improvements include:

Capacitors (TPC)      \$1M                      AIP(14)              4KV Bypass Caps, cables etc.

SLAC Gate Drivers    \$1.8M                      AIP(02)

IGBTs                      \$3M                      \$1M components and \$2M NFDD R&D

System Controller                      PAIP(04)

Dual, redundant oil pumps and external heat exchangers \$300K

Longer term improvements for even longer MTBF include:

Series HV Disconnect Switch

Redundant H Bridge

Long term improvement for short MTTRR

Hot-Swappable Spare HVCM

# Can we Repair Failed Systems Faster?

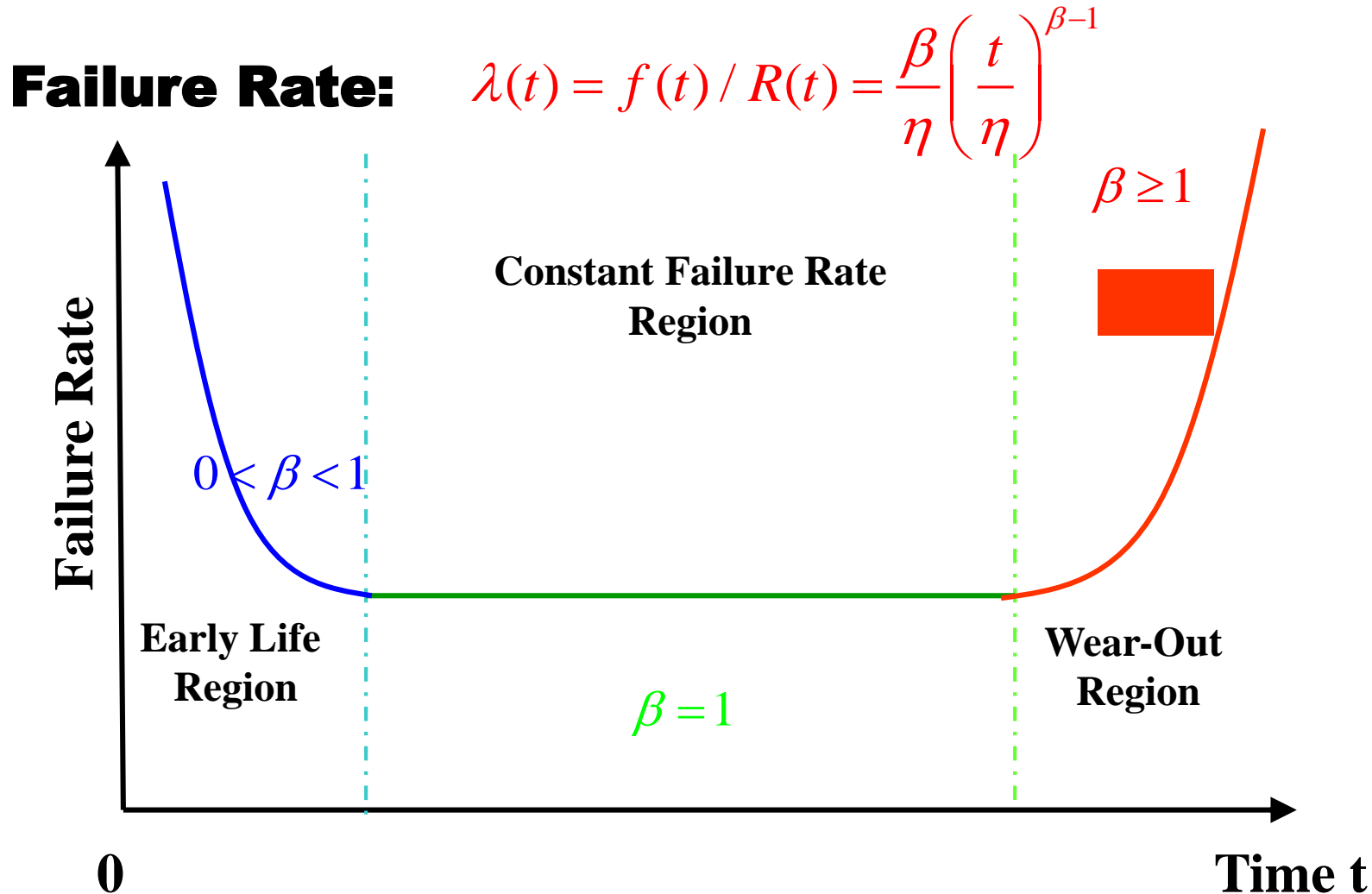
- Accelerator Operations personnel reset but do not replace failed systems.
  - We do not currently have onsite 24/7 technical support
- Phone-in to repair personnel arrival is on the order of ~1 hour. Technician/Engineer phone-in is accompanied by Research Mechanic phone-in.
- Can we reduce this number? If so, at what cost?
- For the HVCMs:
  - Assuming a the previous numbers for repair times on 24 failures per year for 90% availability and 12 failures per year for 95% availability.
  - If we went to 24/7 coverage (one technician and one research mechanic(electrical) – 8 total positions @ ~ \$1.6 M/year), this would cut about one hour from each off-hour repair. About 76% of repairs are off-hour.
  - This would save 18 hours of downtime in the 90% model and 9 hours of downtime in the 95% model.
- The technician and research mechanic would also be available to repair other systems.

# Predictive Maintenance and Proactive Replacement

- Predict the onset of failure and replace unit during planned maintenance periods
  - Measure klystron perveance
  - Measure vibration spectra from rotating equipment
- Replace equipment at a predetermined point in pre-failure
- Some equipment fails without warning
  - Once accurate MTBF has been determined, agree to replace at a fixed percent of the equipment lifetime
- Some equipment has a reasonable service life considerably shorter than the MTBF.
  - PLCs have a MTBF of 100 Year



# Track the failure rate of equipment and compare with a Weibull Model



# Spares Plan

- **Determine appropriate number of spares based on**
  - Number of installed units
  - MTBF
  - Mean time to acquire new or repair broken (can create a “blended average”)
  - **Inventory Status**
    - » **All installed at the same time**
      - Use predicted lifetime and purchase spares for complete change at end of life and wait for service start times to randomize (adjust lifetime with failure data)
    - » **Randomized start of service times**
      - Use SparesCalculator to predict Mean Time to Stock Outage and establish a “reasonable” goal.
- **Acquire spares so that we are not limited by spare parts availability**

# Configuration Control

- **Configuration Control Policy and Procedures**
  - **Section 9.A. Design Control and Configuration Management**
    - **9.A-1 NFDD/RAD Configuration Management Policy**
- **To document previous history (when available) and present configuration including the status of compliance of an item to its physical and functional requirements.**
- **To ensure that we have correct, accurate, and current documentation.**
- **To ensure that new designs for systems, structures, components and software utilize best engineering practice, follow from an approved set of specifications, and are appropriately documented.**
- **To ensure that changes to existing systems, structures, components and software utilize best engineering practice, follow from an approved design change, and are appropriately documented.**
- **To ensure that the deployment of a new system or a change to an existing system is authorized.**
- **To ensure that the impact on performance due to the deployment of a new system or a change to a system is fully understood, and that the risks associated with the deployment are considered.**

# Configuration Control (cont'd)

- **Configuration Control Policy and Procedures (cont'd)**
  - **Section 9.A. Design Control and Configuration Management**
    - **9.A-2 NFDD/RAD Design Development Procedure**
    - **9.A-3 NFDD/RAD Design Change Procedure**
      - Detailed procedure including conceptualization, design, review, fabrication, testing, pre-installation review, installation, commissioning, documentation, maintenance requirements and tracking

# N+1 Redundancy

- In the past, the path to high system availability was large MTBF for each component
- Most current thinking centers around N+1 redundant systems (continue operation and fix on a Maintenance Day – effectively takes the MTTR to 0)
  - Water Pumps – this has been done for years 4 to make 3
  - Power Supplies: 2 to make 1, 3 to make 2
  - HV Switches: for switches that fail shorted, 2 in series
- Apply where the cost is not too high and the systems are more failure prone.

# Conclusion

**We have an approach to achieving high availability. It involves:**

- Developing a plan for high Availability Hardware and Fault Tolerant Software. We have some elements of this now.**
- Development of a Predictive Maintenance plan to compliment our existing Preventative Maintenance Plan**
- Development and execution of a Spares Plan**
- An existing Configuration Control Policy and Procedures**