

# An Adversarial Risk Analysis Framework for Cybersecurity

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# Agenda

- **Motivation**
- Cyber Risk Management
- An ARA framework for cybersecurity resource allocation
- Case
- Discussion

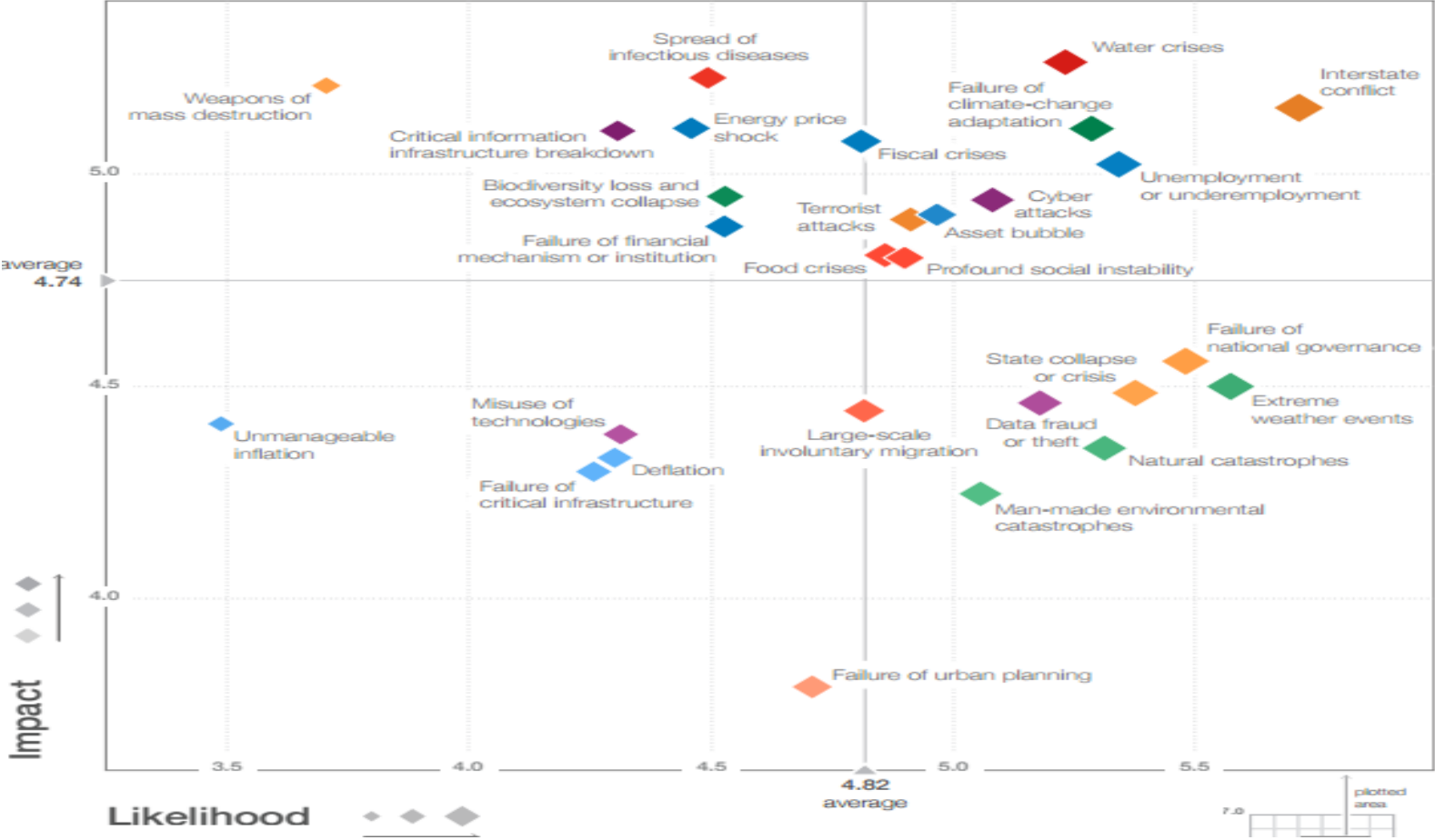
# Motivation

- Aurora attack **targeted** Google in 2009
- Attack **targeted** Sony to prevent release of *The Interview*
- Stuxnet, Flame, Duqu,... **targeted** Iran's nuclear program
- MANDIANT **targeted** Hong Kong
- ARAMCO **targeted** attack
- Russian **targeted** attack over Estonia
  
- Wannacry. **Non-targeted**. Stops UK National Health service,...
  
- 50000M€ impact over German Economy
- Spain, 3rd country most attacked (with caution), mainly from Russia and China

# Motivation

- **Increasingly relying on ICT:**
  - Cars, planes, medical systems, investing platforms, ...
  - Critical infrastructure, voting systems, ...
- **Increasingly interconnected systems:**
  - 10000 M devices connected to Internet
- **Variety of attackers:**
  - Countries, cybercriminals, internal actors, ...
- **Increasing variety, and number, of threats:**
  - Virus, Worms, Trojan-horses, Spyware, APTs, Ransomware, ...
- **Increasingly sophisticated, technologically but also socially.**
- **Response times tend to be excessive.**
- **Cause immense damage:**
  - Economic, environmental, health, ...
  - Competitive intelligence, national security, reputation,...
- **Basic tools for cyber risk management**

# Motivation

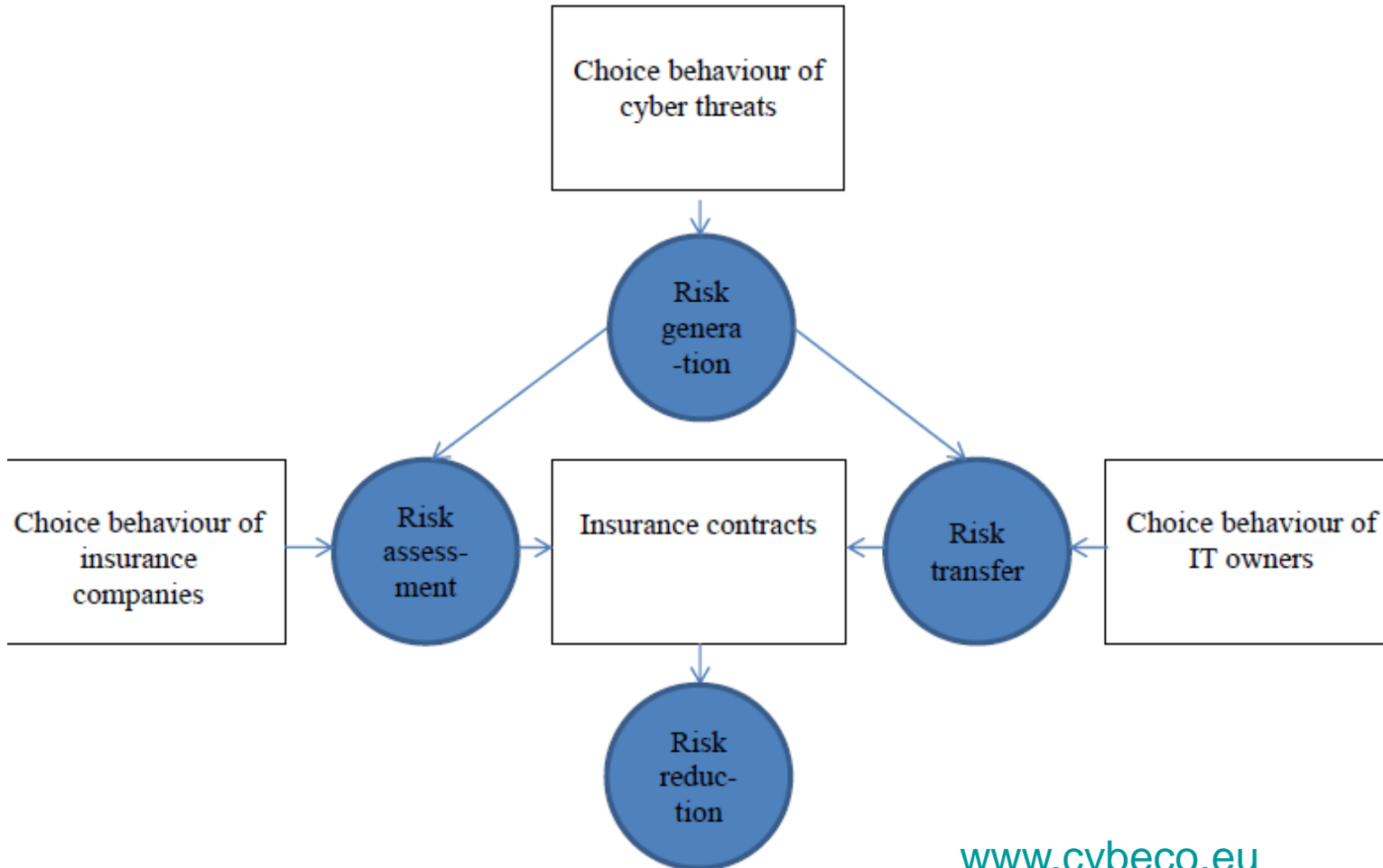


World Economic Forum. Global Risks Map for 2017

# Motivation. Cyberinsurance

- Relatively recent products, Comparatively small market.
- Potentially enormous global costs.
- Data scarce, specially for losses. Companies not disclosing data breaches.
  
- Accumulation problems. Network effects.
- Moral hazard problems. Incentives for improving cybersecurity at large.
- Little data available. Structured expert judgement.
- Valuing information assets, reputation,... multi-attribute utility theory.

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# Approaches

- Risk analysis frameworks: CRAMM, EBIOS, ISAMM, Magerit, ISO 27005, MEHARI, NIST 800-30, ISO 31000,...
- Frameworks for Control Assessment and Compliance: ISO27001, ISO 27002, SANS Critical Security Controls, Common Criteria, Data Protection Laws, ISO 27031, Cloud Security Alliance Cloud Controls Matrix,...

# Approaches

Excellent catalogues of assets, threats, countermeasures but...

VH	100	Very frequent	Daily
H	10	Frequent	Monthly
M	1	Normal	Yearly
L	1/10	Infrequent	Every few years
VL	1/100	Very infrequent	Every century

Impact		Degradation		
		1%	10%	100%
Value	VH	M	H	VH
	H	L	M	H
	M	VL	L	M
	L	VL	VL	L
	VL	VL	VL	VL

Risk		Probability				
		VL	L	M	H	VH
Impact	VH	H	VH	VH	VH	VH
	H	M	H	H	VH	VH
	M	L	M	M	H	H
	L	VL	L	L	M	M
	VL	VL	VL	VL	L	L

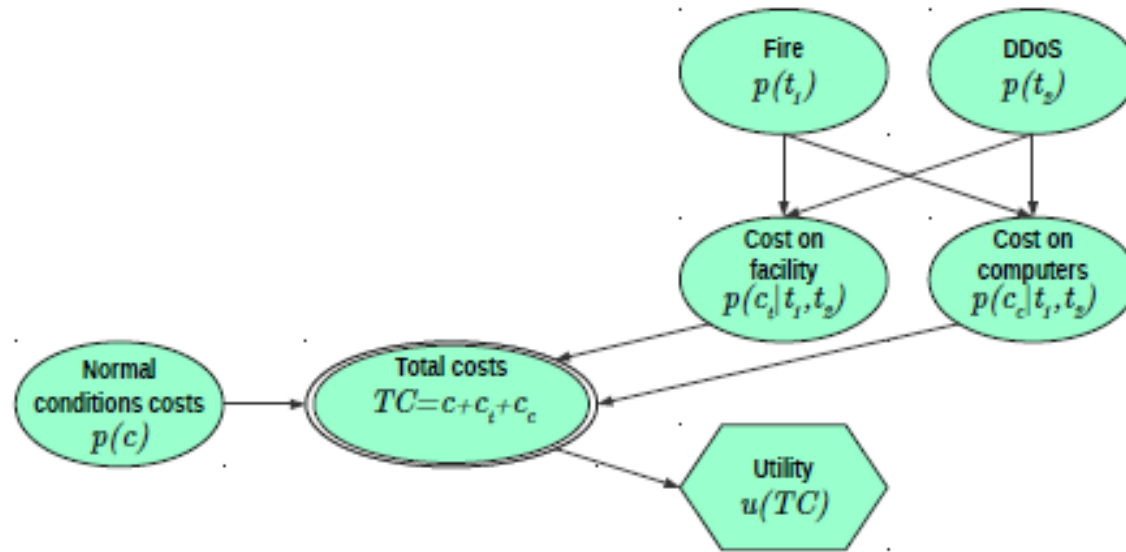
Defects reported in Cox (2008)  
 Intentionality?? HMG Standard 1

Little data

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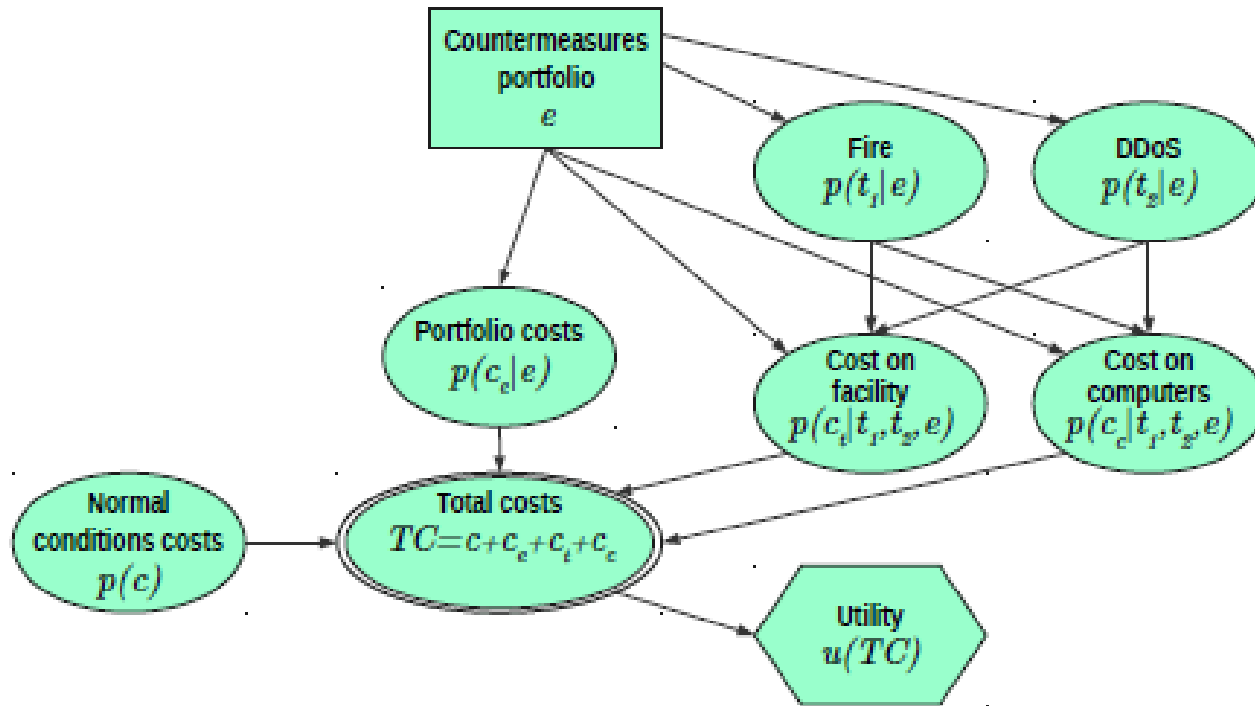
# Cybersec risk assessment



$$\psi_r = \int \dots \int u(c + c_t + c_c) p(c) p(c_t, c_c | t_1, t_2) p(t_1, t_2) dt_1 dt_2 dc_t dc_c dc$$

$$\psi_n - \psi_r$$

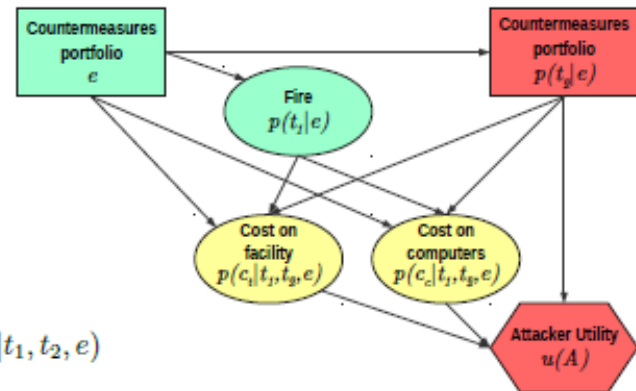
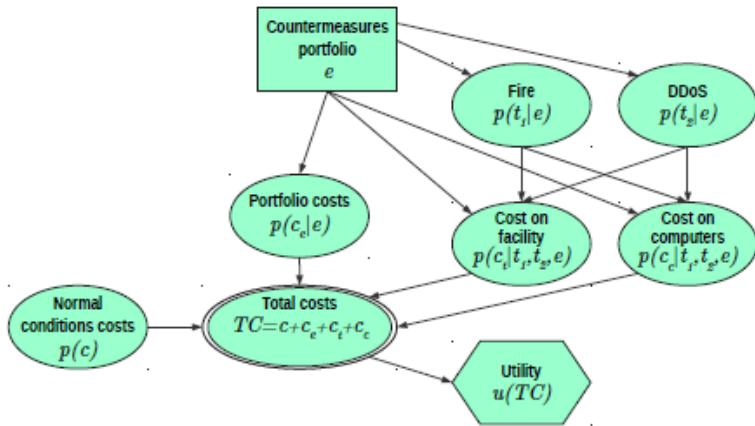
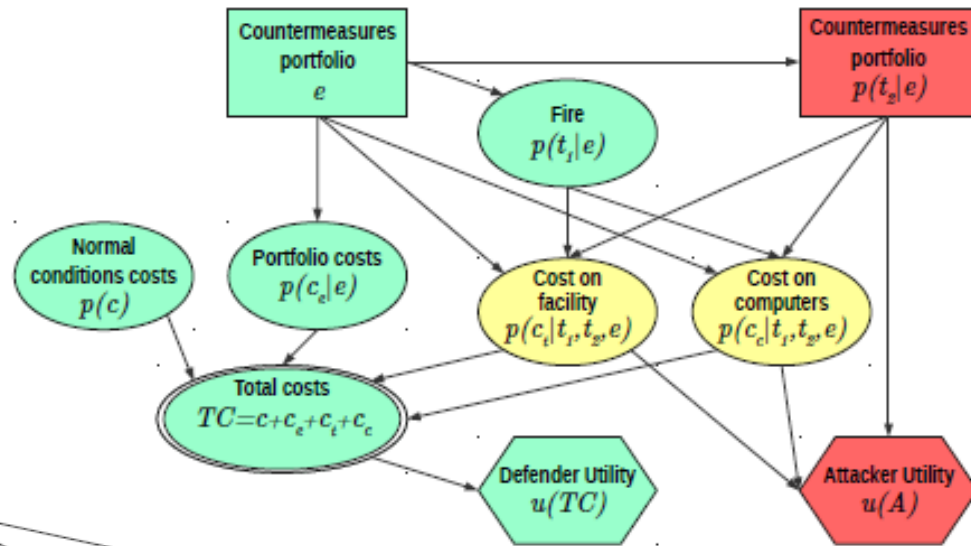
# Cybersec risk management



$$\psi(e) = \int \dots \int u(c_e + c_f + c + c_c) p(c) p(c_e|e) p(t_1|e) p(t_2|e) p(c_f|t_1, t_2, e) p(c_c|t_1, t_2, e) dt_1 dt_2 dc_f dc_c dc_e dc$$

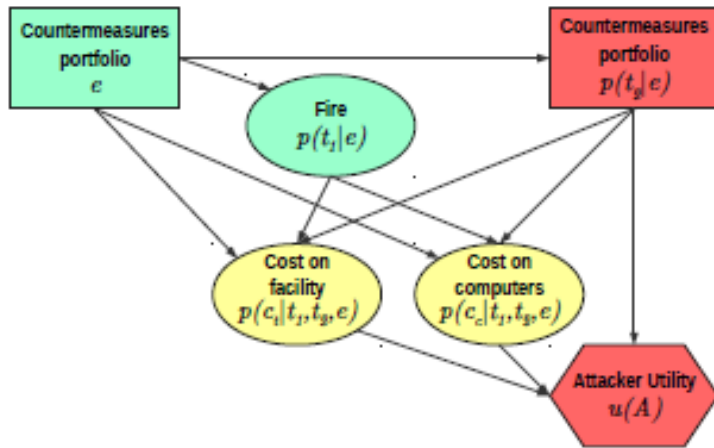
$$\psi_e^* = \max_{e \in E} \psi(e)$$

# ARA in cybersec



$$\psi(e) = \int \dots \int u(c_e + c_f + c_c + c) p(c) p(c_e|e) p(t_1|e) p(t_2|e) p(c_f|t_1, t_2, e) p(c_c|t_1, t_2, e) dt_1 dt_2 dc_f dc_c dc_e dc$$

# ARA in cybersec



$$\psi_A(t_2|e) = \iiint u_A(t_2, c_t, c_c) p_A(t_1|e) p_A(c_t|t_1, t_2, e) p_A(c_c|t_1, t_2, e) dt_1 dc_t dc_c.$$

$$\max_{t_2 \in T_2} \psi_A(t_2|e),$$

$$T_2^*(e) = \arg \max_{t_2 \in T_2} \iiint U_A(t_2, c_t, c_c) P_A(t_1|e) P_A(c_t|t_1, t_2, e) P_A(c_c|t_1, t_2, e) dt_1 dc_t dc_c.$$

$$F = (U_A, P_A(t_1|e), P_A(c_t|t_1, t_2, e), P_A(c_c|t_1, t_2, e))$$

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**Algorithm 1** Calculation of distribution over attacks.

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For each e
  For i = 1, ..., K
    Generate
       $(U_A^i(t_2, c_t, c_c), P_A^i(t_1|e), P_A^i(c_t|t_1, t_2, e), P_A^i(c_c|t_1, t_2, e)) \sim F$ 
    Compute
       $t_2^i = \arg \max_{t_2} \iiint U_A^i(t_2, c_t, c_c) P_A^i(t_1|e) P_A^i(c_t|t_1, t_2, e) P_A^i(c_c|t_1, t_2, e) dt_1 dc_t dc_c$ 
  end
  Approximate
     $\hat{p}_A(t_2|e) = \frac{\#\{t_2^i = t_2\}}{K}$ 
end
  
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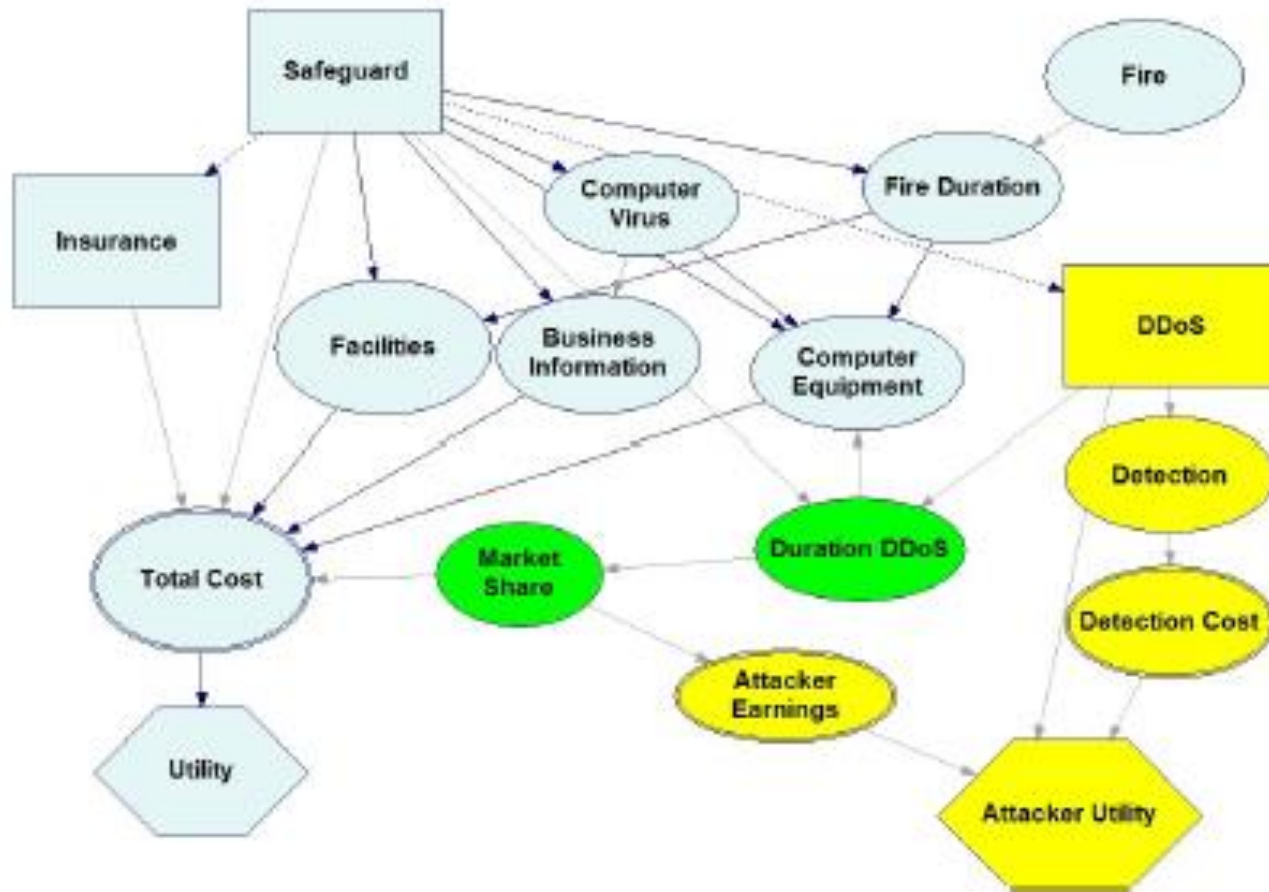
# Case study: Process

- Problem structuring. Multiagent Influence Diagram
  - Assets
  - Impacts
  - Nonintentional threats
  - Environmental uncertainties
  - Intentional threats (and authors)
  - Attacker uncertainties
  - Safeguards
  - Insurance
  - Preferences
  - Defender problem
  - Attacker(s) problem(s)

# Case study: Process

- Assessing defender's non adversarial beliefs and preferences
- Assessing attacker's random beliefs and preferences
- Simulating from the attacker problem to forecast his attacks
- Solve the defender problem to find optimal resource allocation and insurance
- Sensitivity analysis

# Case study



# Case study

- Assets

Computer equipment, Facilities, Market share, Business info

- Non intentional threats

Fire, Virus

- Intentional threats

DDoS (different gbps) from a competitor

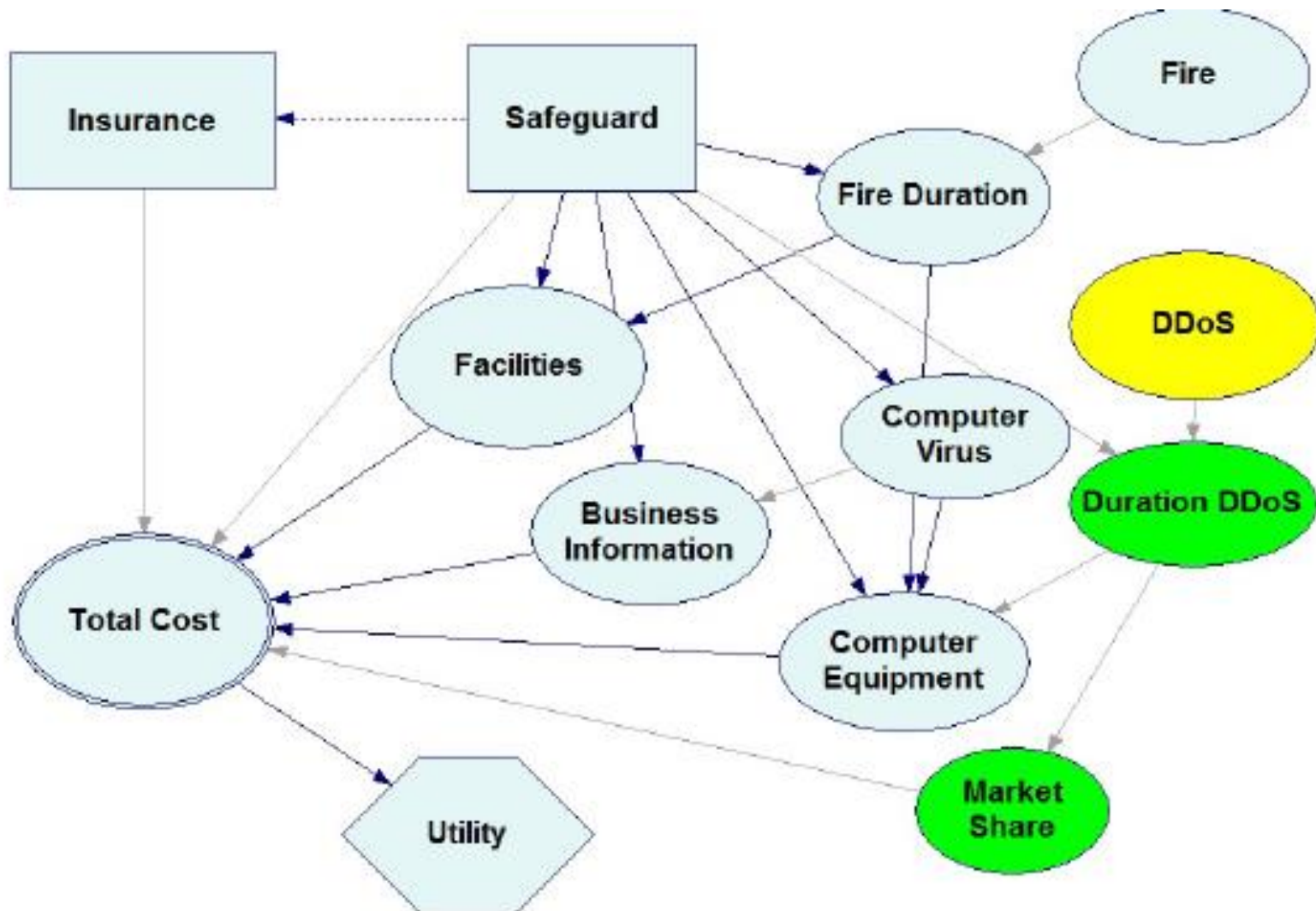
- Safeguards

Antifire, firewall, ISO risk mitigation procedures, Cloud based DDoS protection

- Insurance

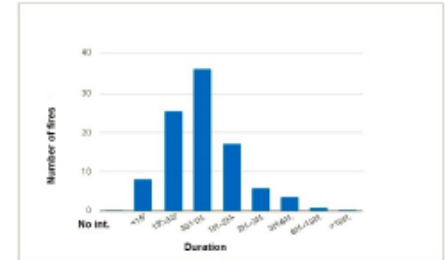
None, Fire, Cyber, Comprehensive

# Case study

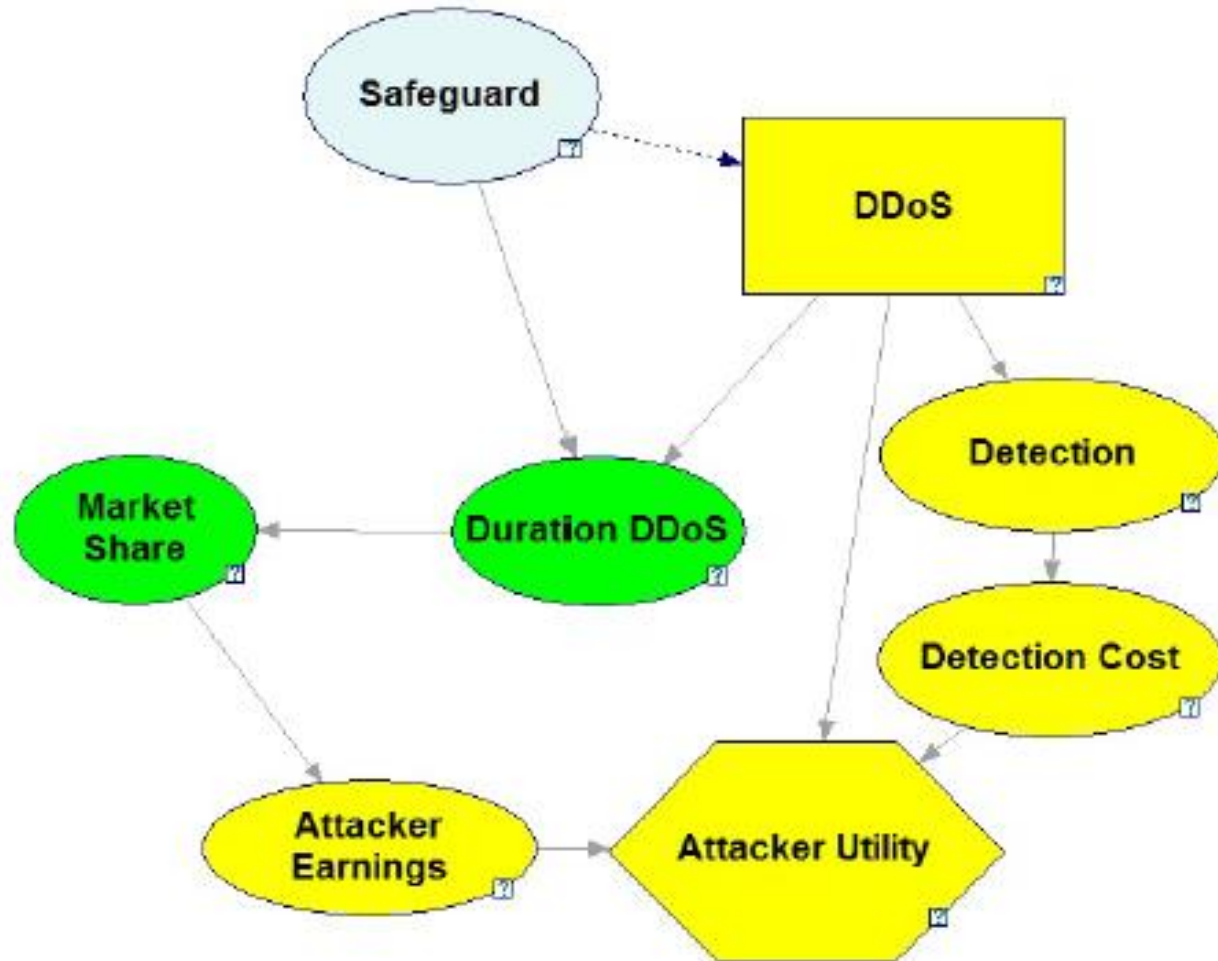


# Case study

- Fire
  - Likelihood
  - Duration
  - Impact on facilities and equipment
- Virus
  - Likelihood
  - Impact
- DDoS
  - Likelihood?
  - Duration
  - Impact



# Case study



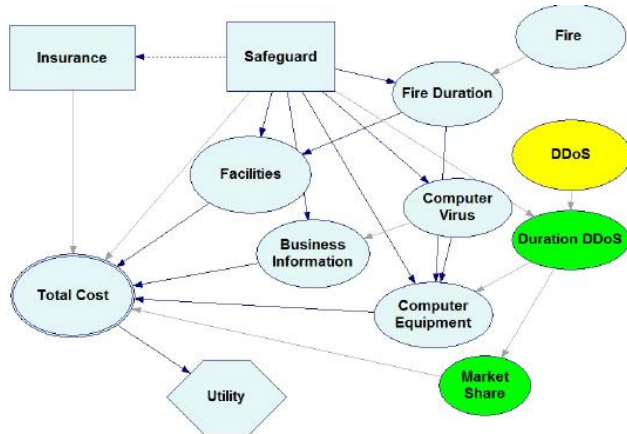
# Case study

- DDoS duration. Random distribution
  - If no firewall is included in the portfolio of countermeasures, we model it as Gamma distribution with parameters  $a$  and  $p$ , with  $a$  uniformly distributed in  $[3.5, 4.5]$  and  $p$  uniformly distributed in  $[0.8, 1.2]$ .
  - If, on the other hand, a firewall is included in the portfolio of countermeasures, we model it as a Gamma distribution with parameters  $a$  and  $p$ , with  $a$  uniformly distributed in  $[0.3, 0.7]$  and  $p$  uniformly distributed in  $[0.8, 1.2]$ .
- Simulation model

$$A^*(s) = \arg \max_a \int \dots \int U_A(ae, a, dc) P_A(ae|ms) P_A(ms|dd) P_A(dd|s, a) P_A(dc|d) P_A(d|a) dae \dots dd.$$



# Case study



Anti-fire decision	Firewall decision	Procedure decision	DDoS protection decision	Insurance decision	Expected utility
no anti-fire	firewall	no procedure	10 gbps	traditional	0.9995698
anti-fire	no firewall	no procedure	10 gbps	comprehensive	0.9994854
anti-fire	no firewall	procedure	10 gbps	comprehensive	0.9994546
anti-fire	firewall	no procedure	10 gbps	comprehensive	0.9994381
no anti-fire	firewall	no procedure	10 gbps	comprehensive	0.9993949
...	...	...	...	...	...
no anti-fire	no firewall	procedure	no protection	cyber	0.9451530
no anti-fire	firewall	procedure	no protection	no insurance	0.9444523
no anti-fire	no firewall	no procedure	no protection	cyber	0.9444453
no anti-fire	firewall	procedure	no protection	cyber	0.9443398
no anti-fire	no firewall	no procedure	no protection	no insurance	0.9434914

# Case study

- Sensitivity analysis
  - Maximum price willing to pay for insurance
  - Change in virus probability
- Budget constraints
- Return on risk mitigation investments

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# Discussion

- ARA provides opportunities from improved modeling of intentionality in cybersecurity
- Allows better forecasting of actions. Fermi-tising the questions
- Integrates cyberinsurance together with portfolio.
- Integrates preference modelling
- Problem discussed: IT owner deciding security investment
  
- The view from the insurance company?
  - Behavioral experiments to determine pricing
  - Behavioral experiments to segment market
- The view from reinsurers

Grazie

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