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# Design for Critical Power Loads

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## Design for a Critical Power Load

- Define critical power loads
- Ensure Reliability
- Develop Redundancy
- Integrate a Solution
- Review Availability



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# What is a Critical Load?

For this discussion lets assume these are addressed by Regulations, Codes and Standards

- Any load that directly impacts ~~life, safety or~~ the ability for the customer to make money.



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**Any load that directly impacts the ability for the customer to make money.**



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## Cost of Down Time

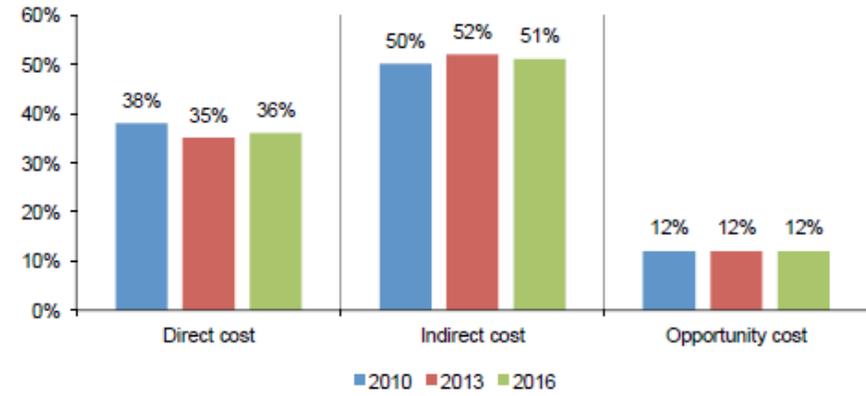
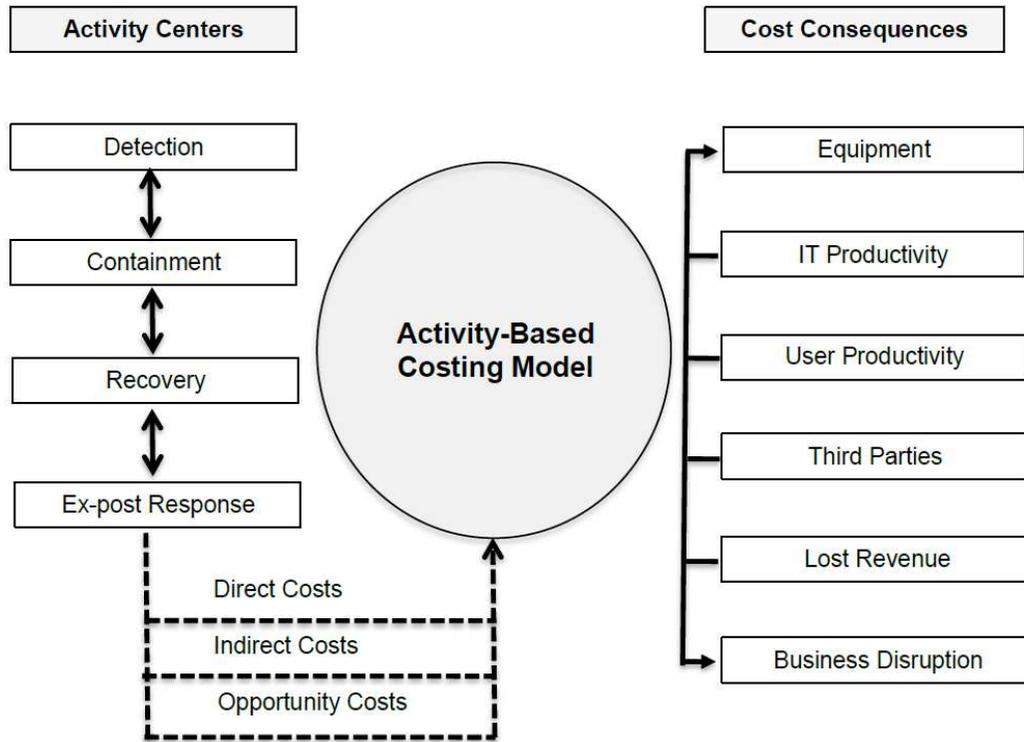
- Average cost of down time in Data Center \$740,357, up 38% since 2010
  - Damage to mission-critical data
  - Impact of downtime on organizational productivity
  - Damages to equipment and other assets
  - Cost to detect and remediate systems and core business processes
  - Legal and regulatory impact, including litigation defense cost
  - Lost confidence and trust among key stakeholders
  - Diminishment of marketplace brand and reputation
  
- Maximum downtime costs for 2016 was \$2,409,991

"Cost of Data Center Outages", Ponemon Institute, January 2016.

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# Cost of Down Time

Figure 1: Activity-Based Cost Account Framework



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# Cost of Down Time

Time without power (hr)	0.25	
Time to reset (hr)	4	
Total lost production (hr)	4.25	
Outages per year	2	
Ave hr. rate per emp	\$ 50.00	
# emp not working	50	
Lost Employee Productivity		\$ 10,625.00
Lost Material		\$ 25,000.00
Scrap with stop	50	
Average cost per	\$ 500.00	
Lost Product Productivity		\$ 850,000.00
Processes per hour	100	
Sales Price	\$ 2,000.00	
Restoration		\$ 1,400.00
Emp to reset	2	
Equipment repair	\$ 1,000.00	
Total Cost of Down Time		\$ 887,025.00
Annual Cost of Down Time		\$ 1,774,050.00

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## **Availability = Redundancy + Reliability**

- Availability is the time a system is operating to protect the customer's load
- Redundancy is the duplication of components in a system with the intention to increase availability
- Reliability is the probability that a component or system will perform required functions under stated conditions for a stated period of time (IEEE Std 3006.7-2013)\*

## Ensure Reliability

- **Reliability:** The probability that a component or system will perform required functions under stated conditions for a stated period of time  $R(t)$ , or (for discrete missions) a stated number of demands. (IEEE Std 3006.7-2013)\*
- Industry Standards for calculating reliability:
  - Reliability Block Diagram
  - Fault Tree Analysis
  - Failure Mode Effects and Criticality Analysis



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## Define Failure

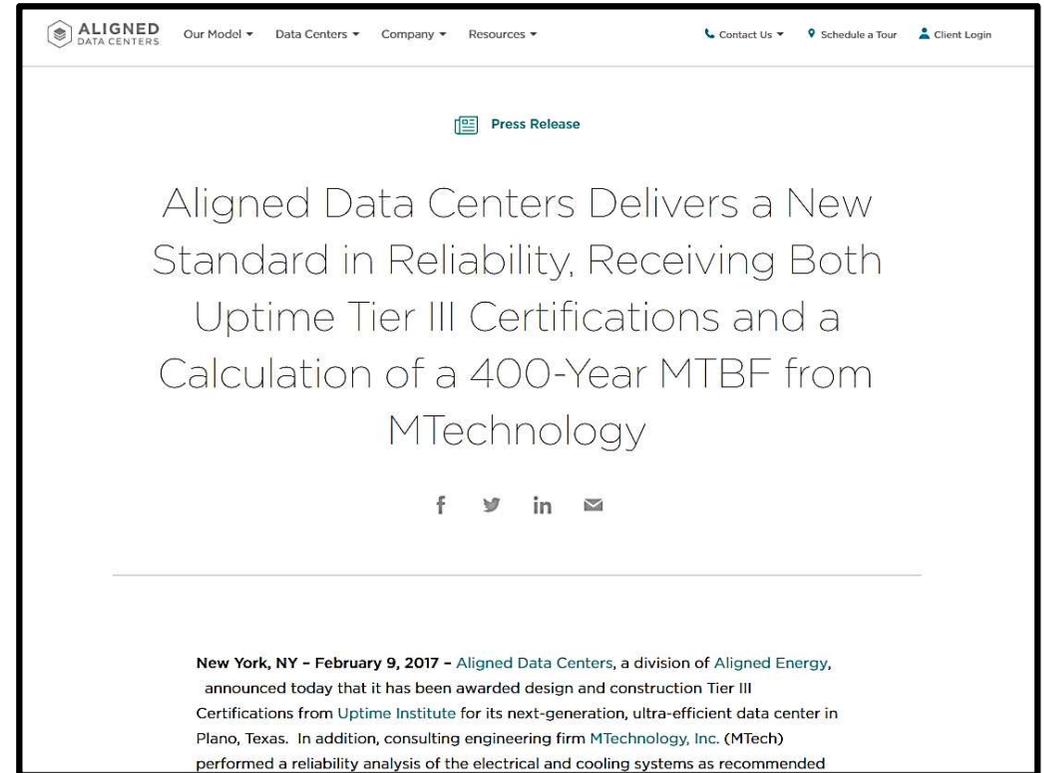
- Consider a UPS switches to internal bypass.
  - UPS vendor = success, because power to the critical load was not interrupted
  - Facility operations = failure, because UPS may require repair
  - Business manager = failure, because the critical loads are exposed to utility
  - Users of the service = success, because they are not affected
- System design should evaluate the reliability as:
  - Component Failure – Likelihood that a specific part of a product might fail (UPS Battery)
  - Subsystem Failure – Likelihood that a product might fail (UPS fails to deliver power to the load)
  - Electrical Distribution System Failure – Likelihood that the systems for delivering power might fail (Loss of power to the UPS)

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# Calculate Reliability

- Third party companies provide reliability calculations as a service
- “Most data centers achieve an MTBF between five and 50 years,” says Stephen Fairfax, President of MTechnology.
- Utilizing these services can help to evaluate where design changes can provide the greatest impact



The screenshot shows a web page for Aligned Data Centers. The header includes the company logo and navigation links: 'Our Model', 'Data Centers', 'Company', and 'Resources'. On the right side of the header are links for 'Contact Us', 'Schedule a Tour', and 'Client Login'. The main content area features a 'Press Release' icon and the headline: 'Aligned Data Centers Delivers a New Standard in Reliability, Receiving Both Uptime Tier III Certifications and a Calculation of a 400-Year MTBF from MTechnology'. Below the headline are social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and Email. At the bottom of the page, there is a short paragraph of text: 'New York, NY - February 9, 2017 - Aligned Data Centers, a division of Aligned Energy, announced today that it has been awarded design and construction Tier III Certifications from Uptime Institute for its next-generation, ultra-efficient data center in Plano, Texas. In addition, consulting engineering firm MTechnology, Inc. (MTech) performed a reliability analysis of the electrical and cooling systems as recommended.'

\*MTBF(Mean Time Between Failure)

<https://www.aligneddatacenters.com/news-and-events/aligned-data-centers-delivers-a-new-standard-in-reliability-receiving-both-uptime-tier-iii-certifications-and-a-calculation-of-a-400-year-mtbf-from-mtechnology>

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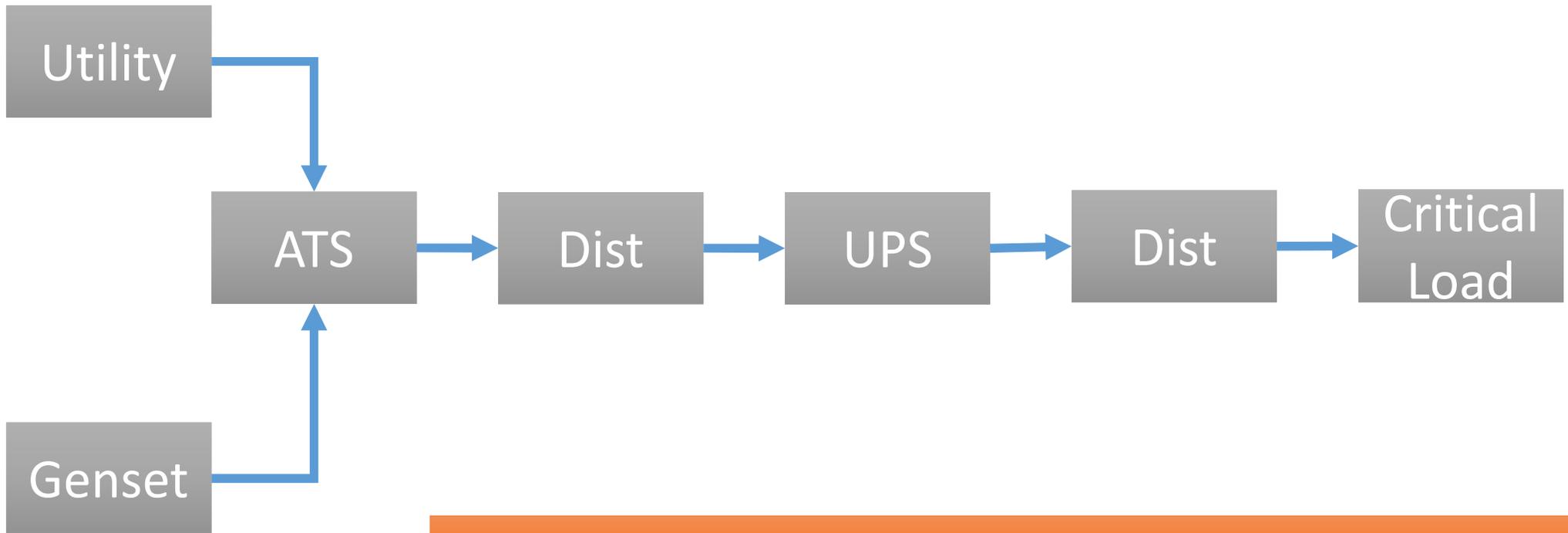
# Redundancy

- Redundancy is the duplication of components in a system with the intention to increase availability

Classification	Definition	Redundancy Evaluation
<b>N</b>	<b>Need, meets the base capacity requirements</b>	<b>Low</b> <b>None</b>
<b>N+1</b>	<b>One additional unit over the need. Could be attributed to a component level or system level. (Can also be N+2, N+3, ...)</b>	<b>Moderate</b> <b>Some equipment can fail or be taken off-line for maintenance without impacting critical load</b>
<b>2N</b>	<b>Two completely redundant components or systems. Often used when referring to an A/B system or system with two redundant paths of power.</b>	<b>Good</b> <b>Allows for concurrent maintenance of equipment and protection from a loss of any single point within the system.</b>
<b>2(N+1)</b>	<b>Provides two completely redundant paths along with an individual level of redundancy in each path.</b>	<b>Highest</b> <b>Provides concurrent maintenance and fault tolerance by allowing a single failure in any path without impacting the paths ability to support the load.</b>

# N design

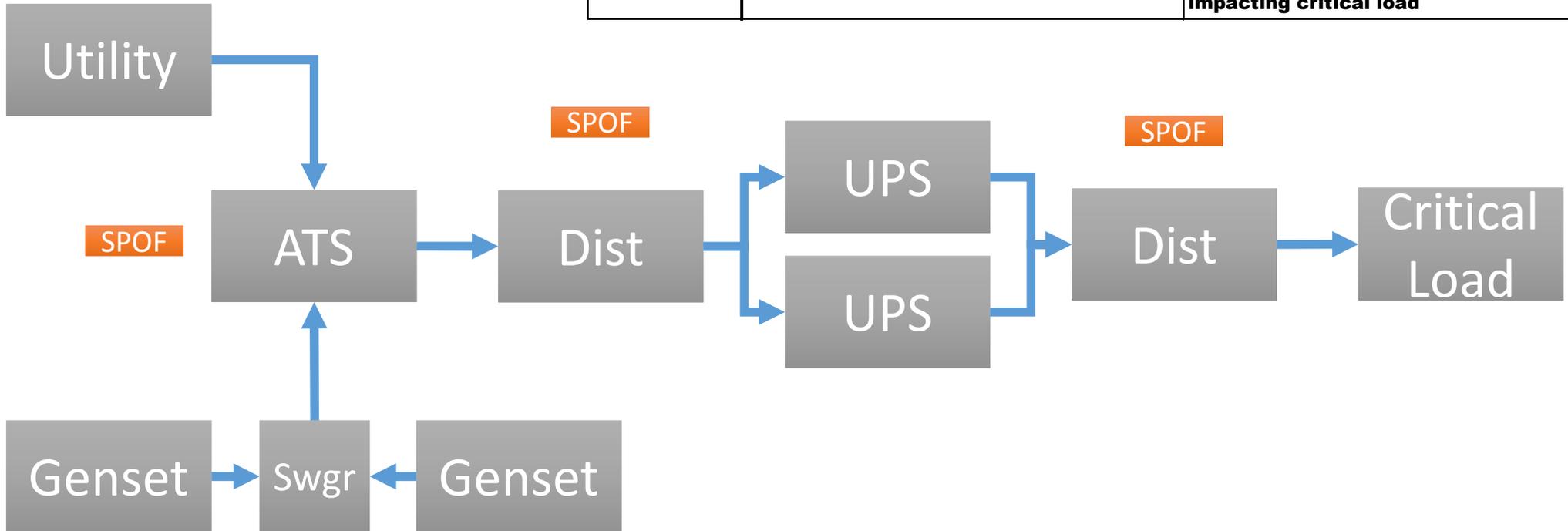
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All levels are a Single Point of Failure (SPOF) for the system

# N+1 design

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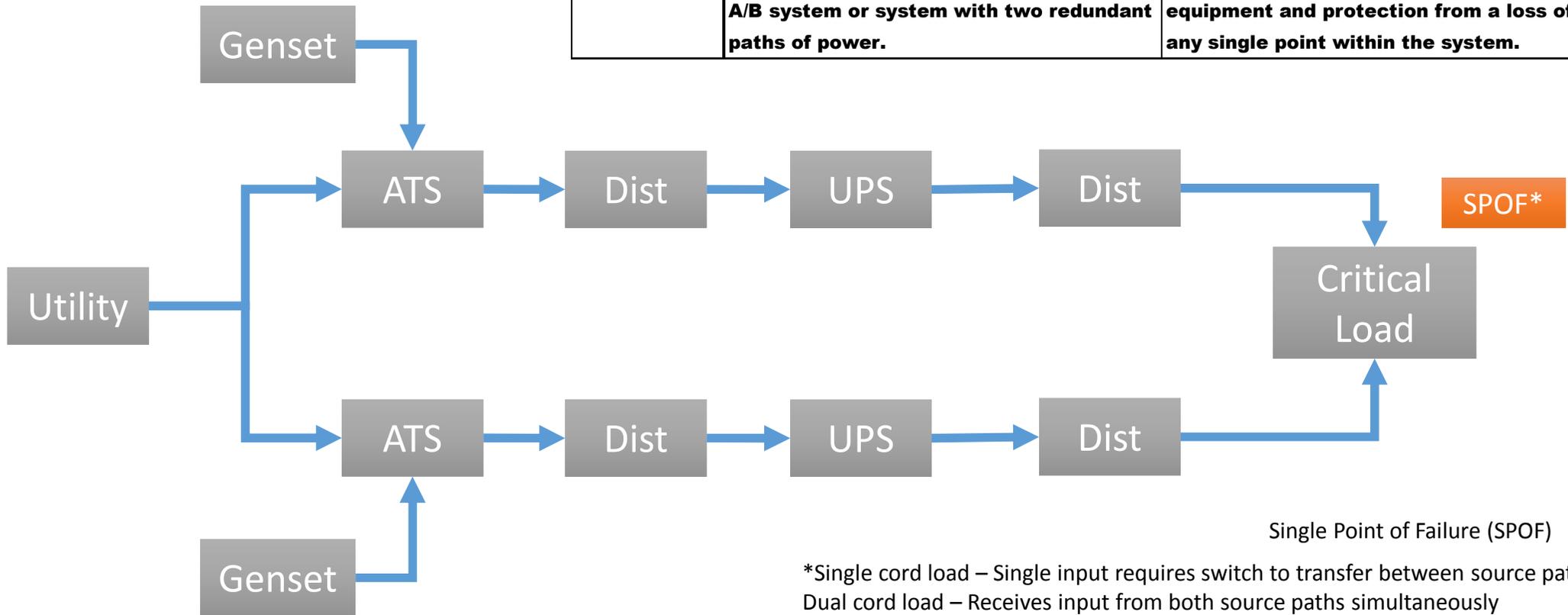


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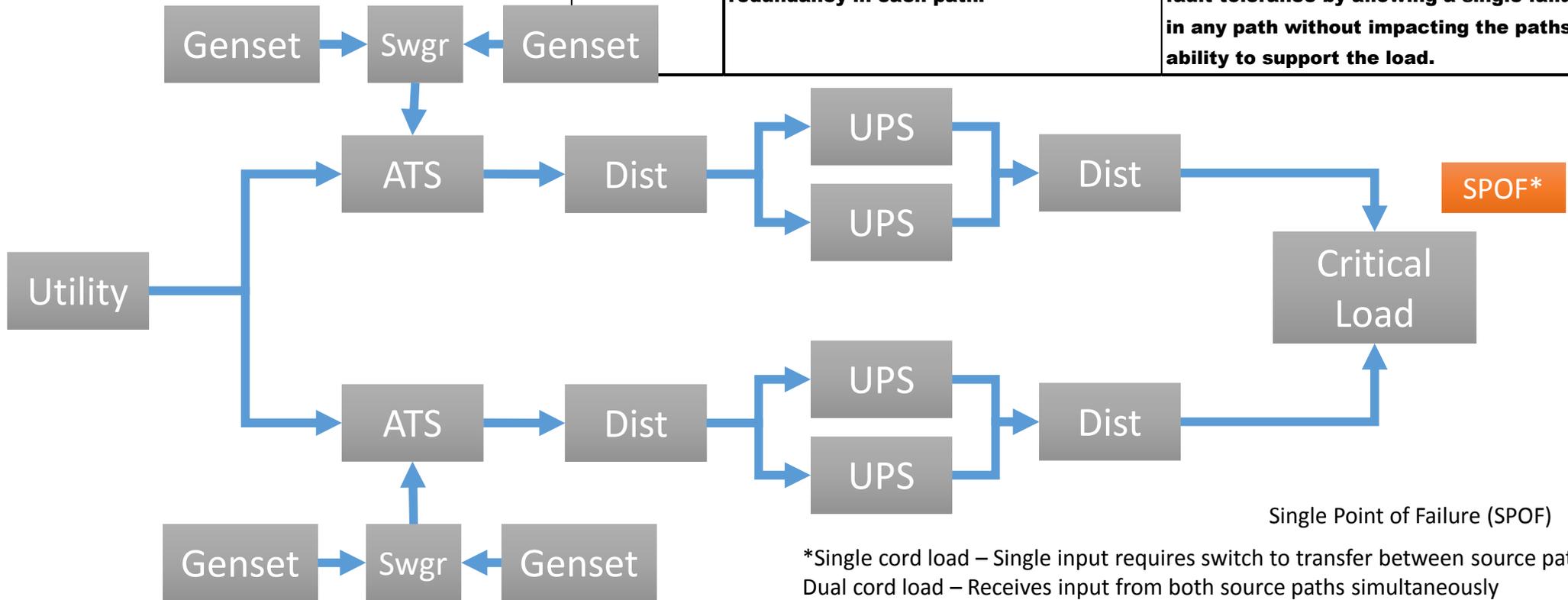


Single Point of Failure (SPOF)

\*Single cord load – Single input requires switch to transfer between source path  
Dual cord load – Receives input from both source paths simultaneously

# 2(N+1) design

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# Is there too much redundancy?

\*System where N = 2 Gen and 4 UPS  
With dual corded loads

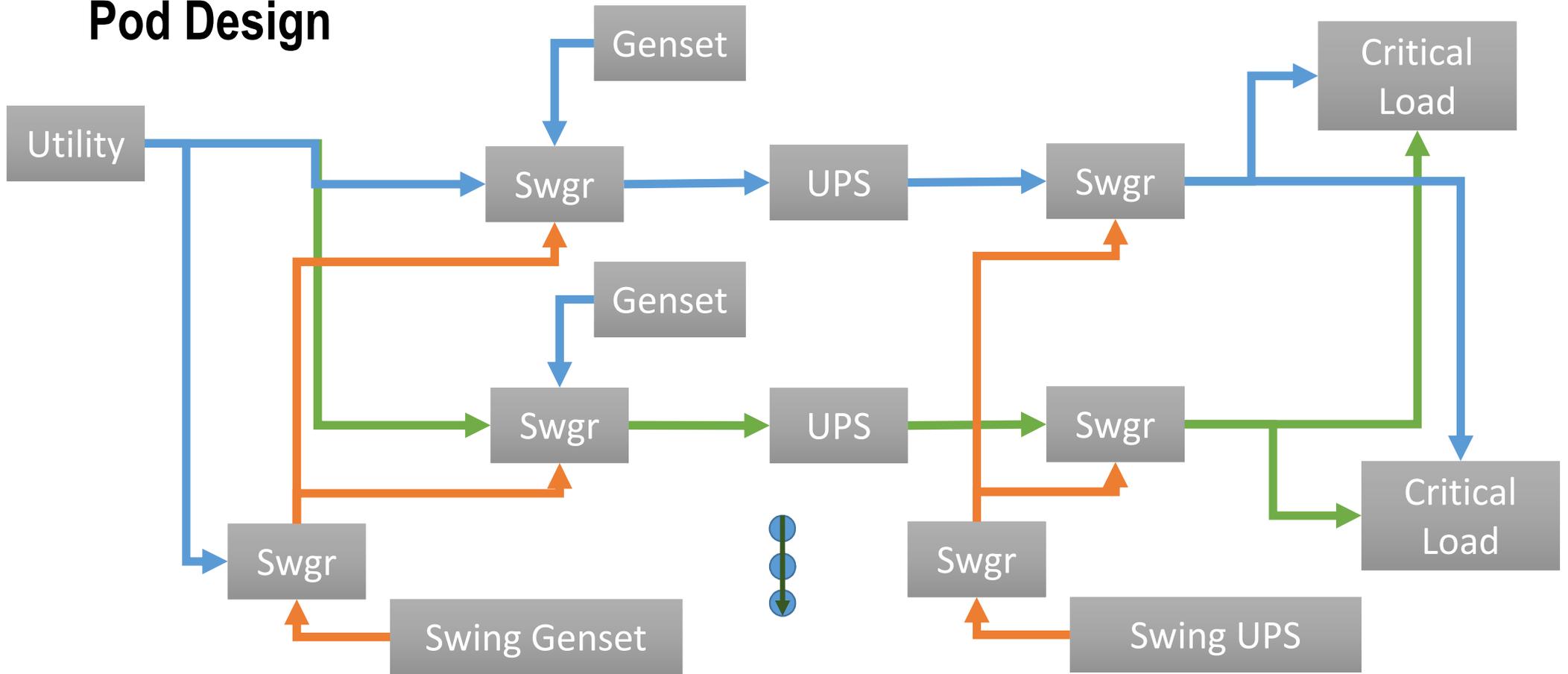
Name	Description of critical distribution system	MTBF (years)	MTTR (hours)	Inherent availability	Probability of failure
N+1 Gen 2N UPS	2 + 1 = 3 Gen 2(4) = 8 UPS	66.6	2.50	0.9999957	7.57%
N+1 Gen 2(N+1) UPS	2 + 1 = 3 Gen 2(4 + 1) = 10 UPS	67.5	2.50	0.9999958	7.18%
2N Gen 2N UPS	2(2) = 4 Gen 2(4) = 8 UPS	68.9	2.57	0.9999958	6.96%

Other considerations:  
Efficiency, Maintenance, Operational cost

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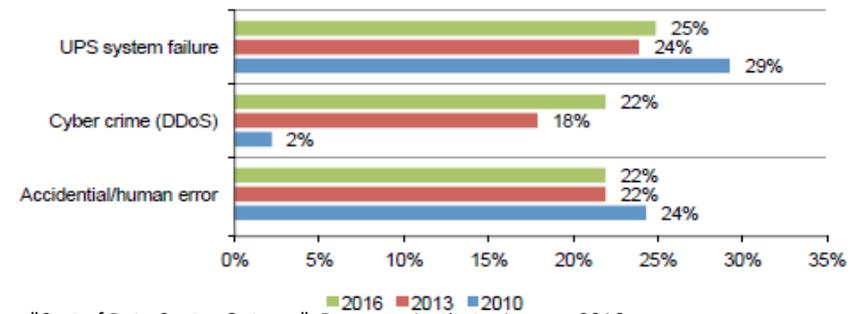
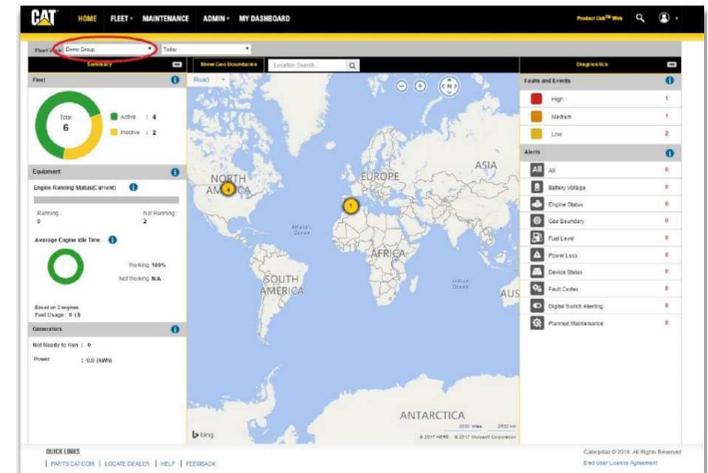
# Pod Design



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# Integrating a Solution

- Complex designs require complex sequence of operation
  - Communication between devices simplifies operation
  - Integration provides centralized view of system
  - Aids in identifying failure modes at multiple levels
- Packaging delivers additional value
  - Reduced installation time and cost
  - Improved system quality
  - Reduced startup time on site
- Improved performance options
  - Storm Threat Avoidance
  - Load Sense Load Demand
- Provide alternatives for risk mitigation



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# Value Engineering

Consider opportunities to reduce installation and operating costs without impacting the system design

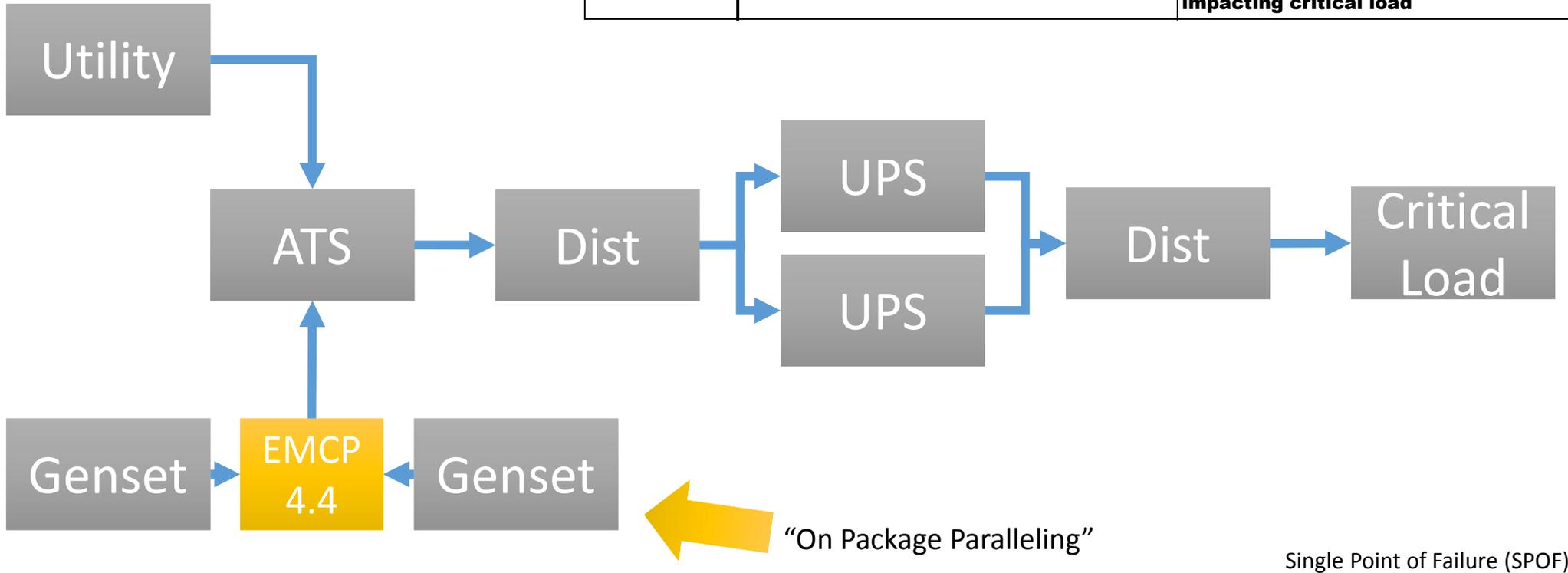
- High Efficiency UPS (consider the operating load)
- On Package Paralleling Options
- Alternative Energy Solutions



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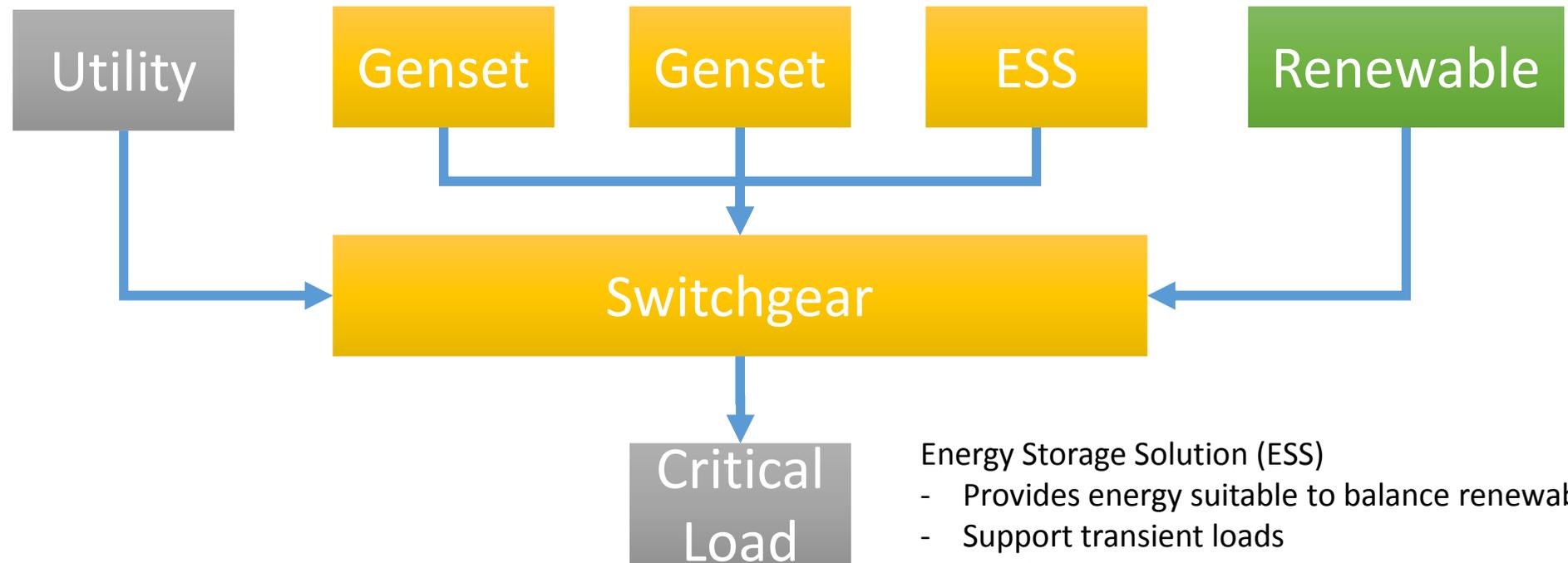
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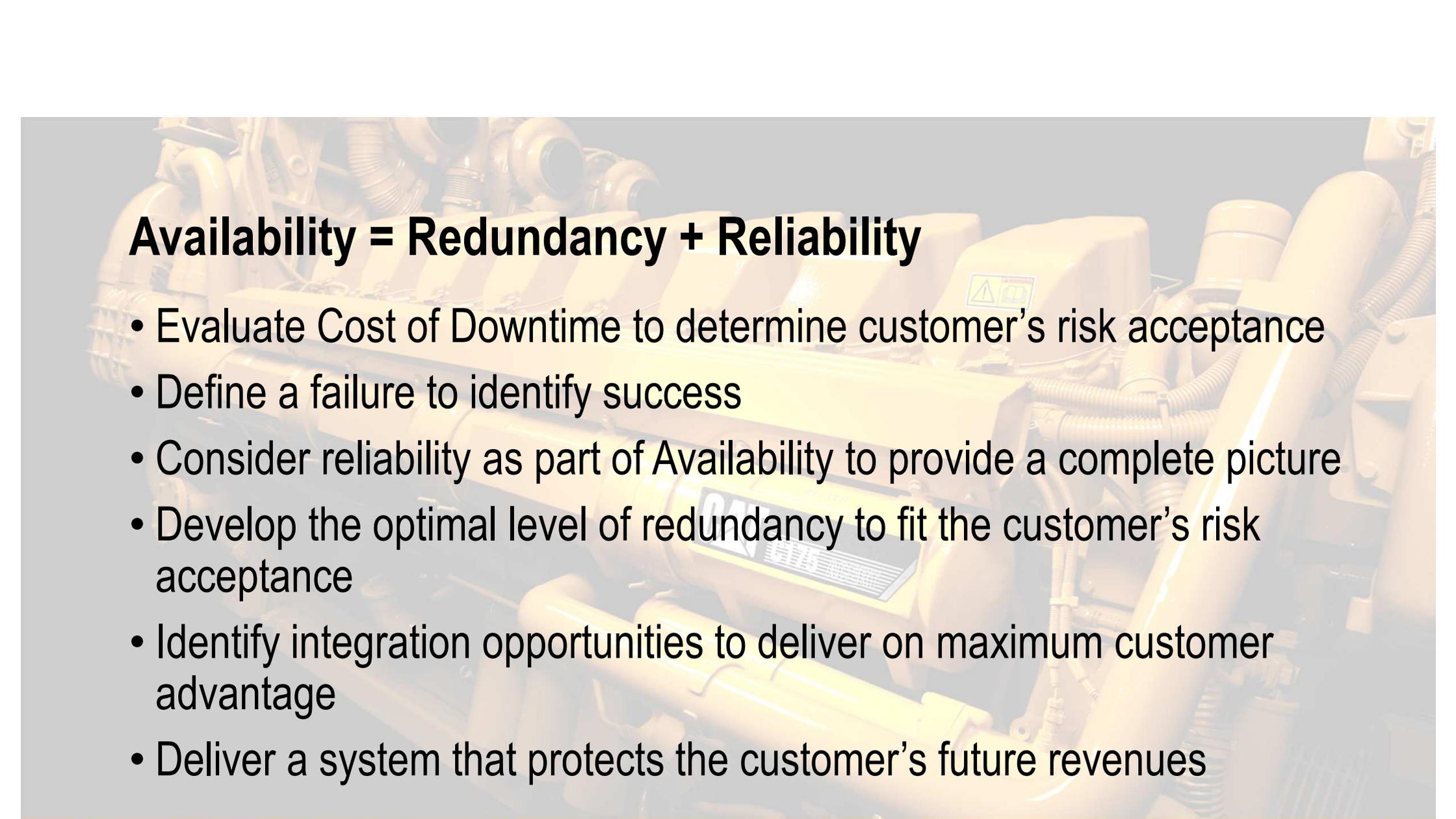
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# Alternative Energy Solutions



- Energy Storage Solution (ESS)
- Provides energy suitable to balance renewable
  - Support transient loads
  - Conditions incoming power
  - Provides ride-through energy for Critical Loads

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## **Availability = Redundancy + Reliability**

- Evaluate Cost of Downtime to determine customer's risk acceptance
- Define a failure to identify success
- Consider reliability as part of Availability to provide a complete picture
- Develop the optimal level of redundancy to fit the customer's risk acceptance
- Identify integration opportunities to deliver on maximum customer advantage
- Deliver a system that protects the customer's future revenues

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