

The Essentials of the Analytic Network Process with Seven Examples (3)



Decision Making with Dependence and Feedback

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Step 4. Determine Clusters and Elements

- For each control criterion or subcriterion, determine the clusters of the general feedback system with their elements
- Connect them according to their outer and inner dependence influences.
- An arrow is drawn from a cluster to any cluster whose elements influence it.
- Describe the decision problem in detail including its objectives, criteria and subcriteria, actors and their objectives and the possible outcomes of that decision.

Step 5. Determine the approach

- Determine the approach you want to follow in the analysis of each cluster or element, influencing (the preferred approach) other clusters and elements with respect to a criterion, or being influenced by other clusters and elements.
- The sense (being influenced or influencing) must apply to all the criteria for the four control hierarchies for the entire decision.

Step 6. Supermatrix Construction

- For each control criterion, construct the supermatrix by laying out the clusters in the order they are numbered and all the elements in each cluster both vertically on the left and horizontally at the top.
- Enter in the appropriate position the priorities derived from the paired comparisons as subcolumns of the corresponding column of the supermatrix.

Step 7. Perform Paired Comparisons

- Perform paired comparisons on the elements within the clusters themselves according to their influence on each element in another cluster they are connected to (outer dependence) or on elements in their own cluster (inner dependence).
- Comparisons of elements according to which element influences a given element more and how strongly more than another element it is compared with are made with a control criterion or subcriterion of the control hierarchy in mind.

Step 8. Paired Comparisons on the Clusters

- Perform paired comparisons on the clusters as they influence each cluster to which they are connected with respect to the given control criterion.
- The derived weights are used to weight the elements of the corresponding column blocks of the supermatrix. Assign a zero when there is no influence. Thus obtain the weighted column stochastic supermatrix.

Step 9. Compute Limit Priorities of the Stochastic Supermatrix

Compute the limit priorities of the stochastic supermatrix according to whether it is

- irreducible (primitive or imprimitive [cyclic]) or
- reducible with one being a simple or a multiple root and whether the system is cyclic or not.

Two kinds of outcomes are possible.

- In the first all the columns of the matrix are identical and each gives the relative priorities of the elements from which the priorities of the elements in each cluster are normalized to one.
- In the second the limit cycles in blocks and the different limits are summed and averaged and again normalized to one for each cluster.

Step 10. Synthesize the Limiting Priorities

- 10. Synthesize the limiting priorities by weighting each idealized limit vector by the weight of its control criterion and adding the resulting vectors for each of the four merits: Benefits (B), Opportunities (O), Costs (C) and Risks (R).
- There are now four vectors, one for each of the four merits. An answer involving marginal values of the merits is obtained by forming the ratio BO/CR for each alternative from the four vectors. The alternative with the largest ratio is chosen for some decisions.
- Companies and individuals with limited resources often prefer this type of synthesis.

Step 11. Determine the strategic criteria and their priorities

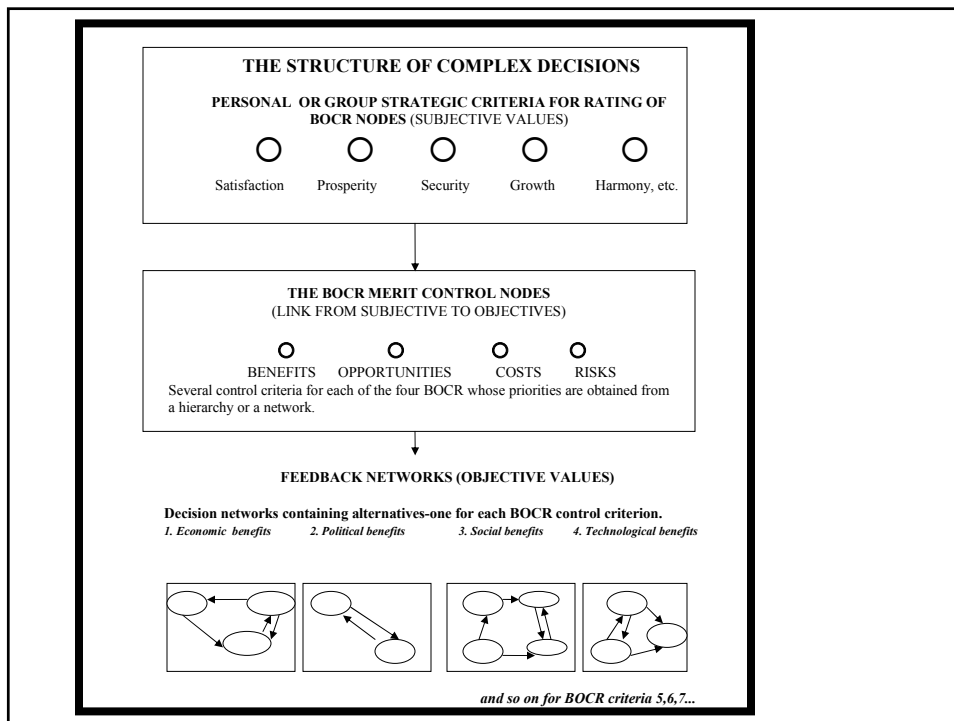
- Determine strategic criteria and their priorities to rate the four merits one at a time. Normalize the four ratings thus obtained.
- For each alternative, subtract the costs and risks from the sum of the benefits and opportunities.
- At other times one may add the weighted reciprocals of the costs and risks.
- Still at other times one may subtract the costs from one and risks from one and then weight and add them to the weighted benefits and opportunities.
- In all, we have four different formulas for synthesis.

Step 12. Sensitivity Analysis

- Perform sensitivity analysis on the final outcome and interpret the results of sensitivity observing how large or small these ratios are.
- Can another outcome that is close also serve as a best outcome? Why?
- By noting how stable this outcome is. Compare it with the other outcomes by taking ratios. Can another outcome that is close also serve as a best outcome? Why?

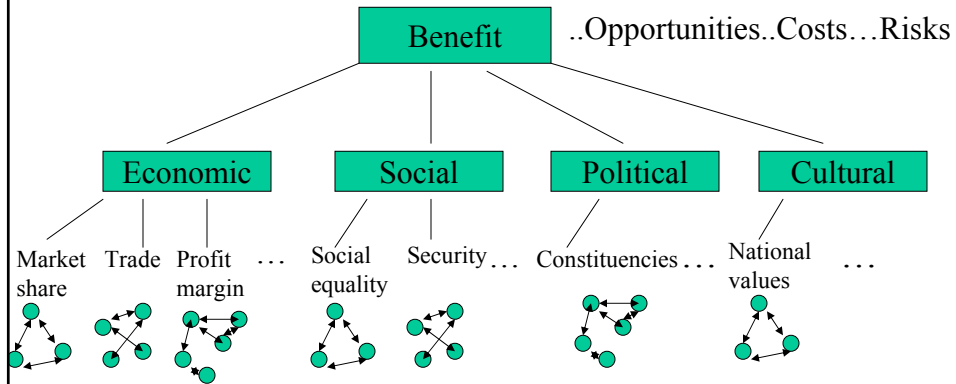
Outline of the Steps of the ANP

- Describe the decision problem in detail including its objectives, criteria and subcriteria, actors and their objectives and the possible outcomes of that decision. Give details of influences that determine how that decision may come out.
- comparisons are made simply in terms of benefits, opportunities, costs, and risks in the aggregate without using control criteria and subcriteria.
- 3. Determine the most general network of clusters (or components) and their elements that applies to all the control criteria. To better organize the development of the model as well as you can, number and arrange the clusters and their elements in a convenient way (perhaps in a column). Use the identical label to represent the same cluster and the same elements for all the control criteria.
- 4. For each control criterion or subcriterion, determine the clusters of the general feedback system with their elements and connect them according to their outer and inner dependence influences. An arrow is drawn from a cluster to any cluster whose elements influence it.
- 5. Determine the approach you want to follow in the analysis of each cluster or element, influencing (the preferred approach) other clusters and elements with respect to a criterion, or being influenced by other clusters and elements. The sense (being influenced or influencing) must apply to all the criteria for the four control hierarchies for the entire decision.
- 6. For each control criterion, construct the supermatrix by laying out the clusters in the order they are numbered and all the elements in each cluster both vertically on the left and horizontally at the top. Enter in the appropriate position the priorities derived from the paired comparisons as subcolumns of the corresponding column of the supermatrix.
- 7. Perform paired comparisons on the elements within the clusters themselves according to their influence on each element in another cluster they are connected to (outer dependence) or on elements in their own cluster (inner dependence). In making comparisons, you must always have a criterion in mind. Comparisons of elements according to which element influences a given element more and how strongly more than another element it is compared with are made with a control criterion or subcriterion of the control hierarchy in mind.
- 8. Perform paired comparisons on the clusters as they influence each cluster to which they are connected with respect to the given control criterion. The derived weights are used to weight the elements of the corresponding column blocks of the supermatrix. Assign a zero when there is no influence. Thus obtain the weighted column stochastic supermatrix.
- 9. Compute the limit priorities of the stochastic supermatrix according to whether it is irreducible (primitive or imprimitive [cyclic]) or it is reducible with one being a simple or a multiple root and whether the system is cyclic or not. Two kinds of outcomes are possible. In the first all the columns of the matrix are identical and each gives the relative priorities of the elements from which the priorities of the elements in each cluster are normalized to one. In the second the limit cycles in blocks and the different limits are summed and averaged and again normalized to one for each cluster. Although the priority vectors are entered in the supermatrix in normalized form, the limit priorities are put in idealized form because the control criteria do not depend on the alternatives.
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- 11. Governments prefer this type of outcome. Determine strategic criteria and their priorities to rate the four merits one at a time. Normalize the four ratings thus obtained and use them to calculate the overall synthesis of the four vectors. For each alternative, subtract the costs and risks from the sum of the benefits and opportunities. At other times one may add the weighted reciprocals of the costs and risks. Still at other times one may subtract the costs from one and risks from one and then weight and add them to the weighted benefits and opportunities. In all, we have four different formulas for synthesis.
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BOCR SUBCRITERIA (CONTROL CRITERIA)

Each of the four BOCR has a hierarchy of control criteria and subcriteria with respect to which a decision network of influences that includes the alternatives is evaluated.



THE PRIORITIZATION OF COMPLEX DECISIONS

PERSONAL OR GROUP CRITERIA FOR RATING OF BOCR NODES (SUBJECTIVE VALUES)

1. Identify and prioritize personal or group criteria and subcriteria applied to all decisions you make.
2. Establish intensities and prioritize them for each lowest level criterion or subcriterion.
3. Rate the Benefits, Opportunities, Costs and the Risks one at a time on the intensities and then normalize.

THE BOCR MERIT CONTROL NODES (LINK FROM SUBJECTIVE TO OBJECTIVES)

○ BENEFITS ○ OPPORTUNITIES ○ COSTS ○ RISKS

Identify and prioritize the control criteria and subcriteria for each of the four BOCR merits.

THE PRIORITIZATION OF COMPLEX DECISIONS (cont'd)

FEEDBACK NETWORKS (OBJECTIVE VALUES)

Decision networks containing alternatives-one for each BOCR control criterion.

1. For each network corresponding to one of the several control criteria under benefits, derive priorities from paired comparison matrices and use them in a supermatrix. Do the same for the criteria under the other three BOCR merits.
2. Pairwise compare the impact of the components on each component of the network with respect to the control criterion, and use these priorities to weight the corresponding blocks of the super matrix. Obtain the limiting supermatrix by raising the weighted supermatrix to large powers.

SYNTHESIS

1. Obtain the priorities of the alternatives under each control criterion from the limiting supermatrix.
2. Synthesize these priorities with respect to all criteria under B, then under O, etc.using idealized values.
3. Synthesize the resulting priorities with respect to the priorities of BOCR to obtain the final priorities.

THE BOCR MERITS OF ALTERNATIVES ARE:

- Benefits
- Opportunities
- Costs
- Risks

COMBINE OPPOSITE VALUES USING

- Marginal Benefit/Cost Analysis

- BO/CR

- Adding Reciprocals

$$bB+oO+c(1/C)+r(1/R)$$

- Subtracting Costs and Risks from 1and adding

$$bB + oO+ c(1- C) + r(1-R)$$

- Subtracting Costs and Risks

$$bB + oO - cC - rR$$

OPPOSITE VALUES-POSITIVES, NEGATIVES, AND RECIPROCAL

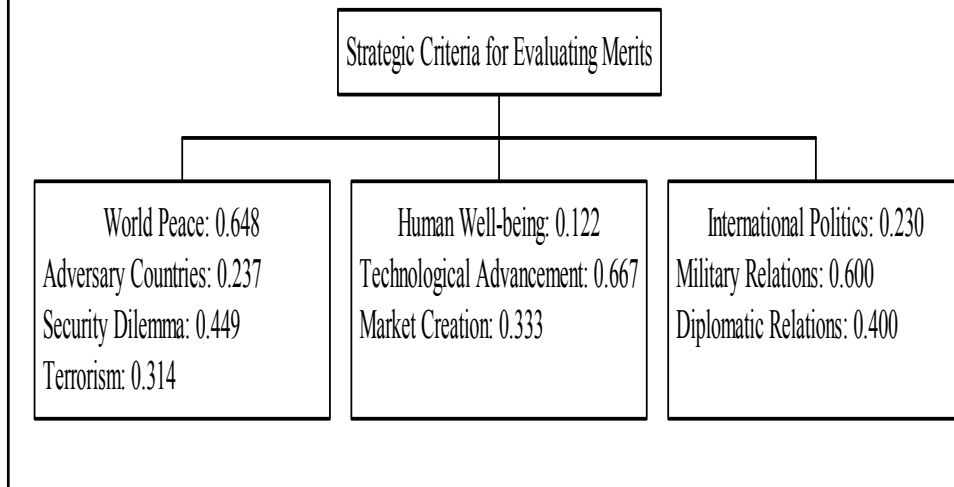
What one does when there are measurements is to combine them, using some formula that specifies how to do it for each of the BOCR separately, and then either convert them to priorities through normalization or apply pairwise comparisons to their values. In the end one needs a way to combine opposing values between positive and negative merits. If these are both measured in the same units one can simply subtract them. But if they are not measurements, one needs to combine their priorities. If one uses the ideal form for the priorities of the alternatives, one needs to determine the weights for the BOCR to obtain the final outcome. These BOCR weights are obtained by rating each one with respect to strategic criteria. In this rating one adopts the “basic” or ideal alternative as the prototype for doing the ratings of each of the BOCR or even do the rating with respect to each alternative separately. One also uses the ideal mode for the priorities of the alternatives under each control criterion. 1) One frequently uses reciprocals for C and R to combine priorities because the left principal eigenvector is the reciprocal (near reciprocal when inconsistent) of the right principal eigenvector. 2) One can also subtract C and R from one (subtract B and O from one), weight the results and add to the weighted B and O (subtract from the weighted C and R), and choose the alternative with the maximum (minimum) priority. Finally, 3) One can simply add the weighted B and O and subtract from them the weighted C and R, sometimes obtaining negative numbers.

RATING THE BOCR MERITS AND FINAL COMPOSITION

Using the ideal form for the priorities of the alternatives makes it possible to evaluate the BOCR using the composite alternative for each obtained by synthesizing the priorities of the ideals under each control criterion for that merit. These composite alternatives need not be the same for the merits. Using the **top** alternative under each, one can now **rate** the BOCR for that alternative with respect to appropriately chosen strategic criteria and use their normalized ratings to synthesize the composite priorities of the alternatives.

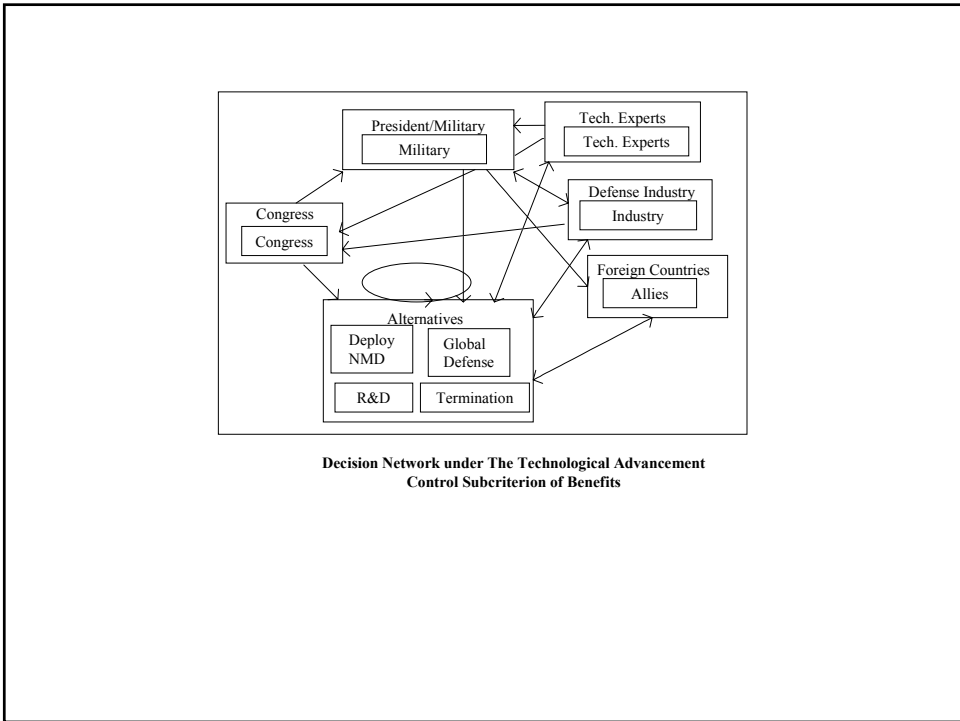
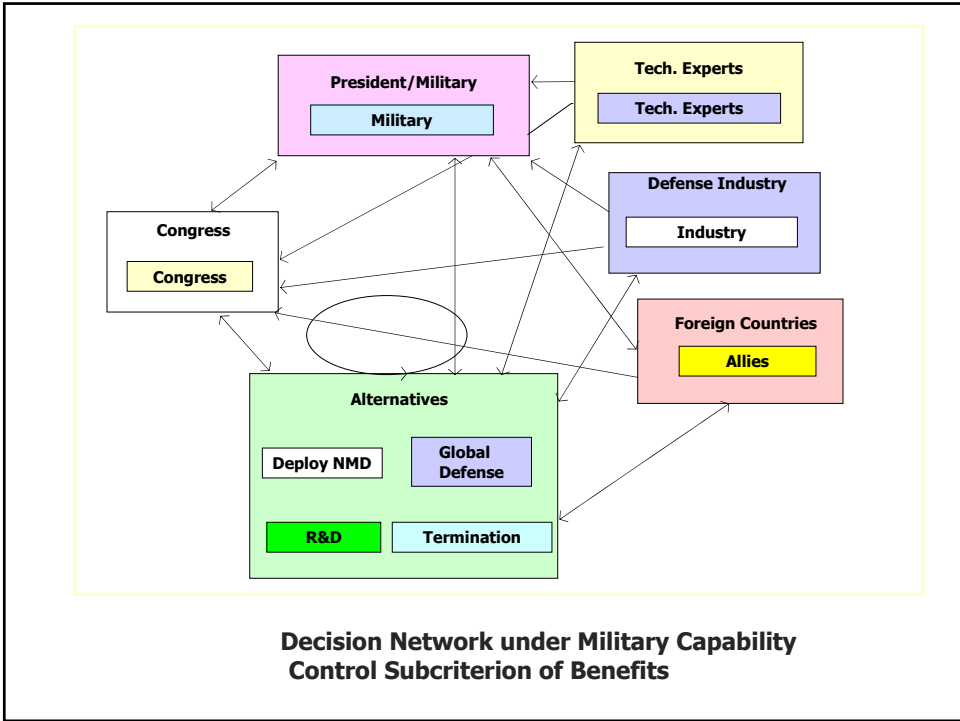
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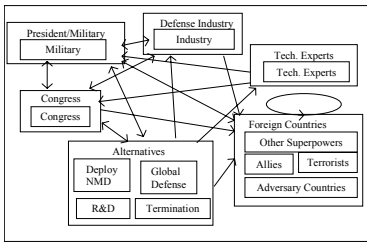
Prioritization of national US criteria



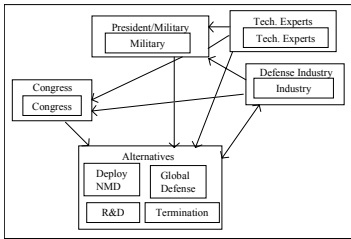
Criteria and Their Priorities

Merits	Criteria	Sub-criteria	Global Priorities (Normalized)
Benefits	Economic (0.157)	Local Economy (0.141)	0.022
		Defense Industry (0.859)	0.014
	Political (0.074)	Bargaining Power (0.859)	0.064
		U.S. Military Leadership (0.141)	0.010
	Security (0.481)	Deterrence (0.267)	0.128
		Military Capability (0.590)	0.284
		Anti-terrorism (0.143)	0.069
	Technology (0.288)	Tech. Advancement (0.834)	0.240
Tech. Leadership (0.166)		0.048	
Opportunities	Arms Sales (0.520)		0.520
	Spin-off (0.326)		0.326
	Space Development (0.051)		0.051
	Protection of Allies (0.103)		0.103
Costs	Security Threat: Vulnerability to the security threat (0.687)		0.687
	Economic (0.228)	Sunk Cost (0.539)	0.123
		Further Investment (0.461)	0.103
	Political (0.085)	ABM Treaty (0.589)	0.050
		Foreign Relations (0.411)	0.035
Risks	Technical Failure (0.430)		0.430
	Arms Race (0.268)		0.268
	Increased Terrorism (0.052)		0.052
	Environmental Damage (0.080)		0.080
	U.S. Reputation (0.170)		0.170

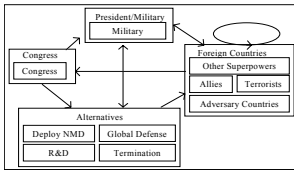




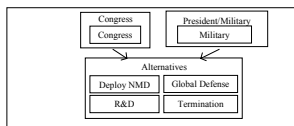
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Control Criterion of Opportunities**



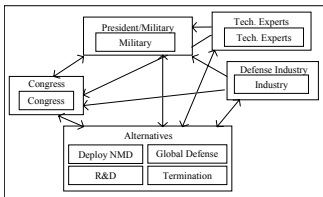
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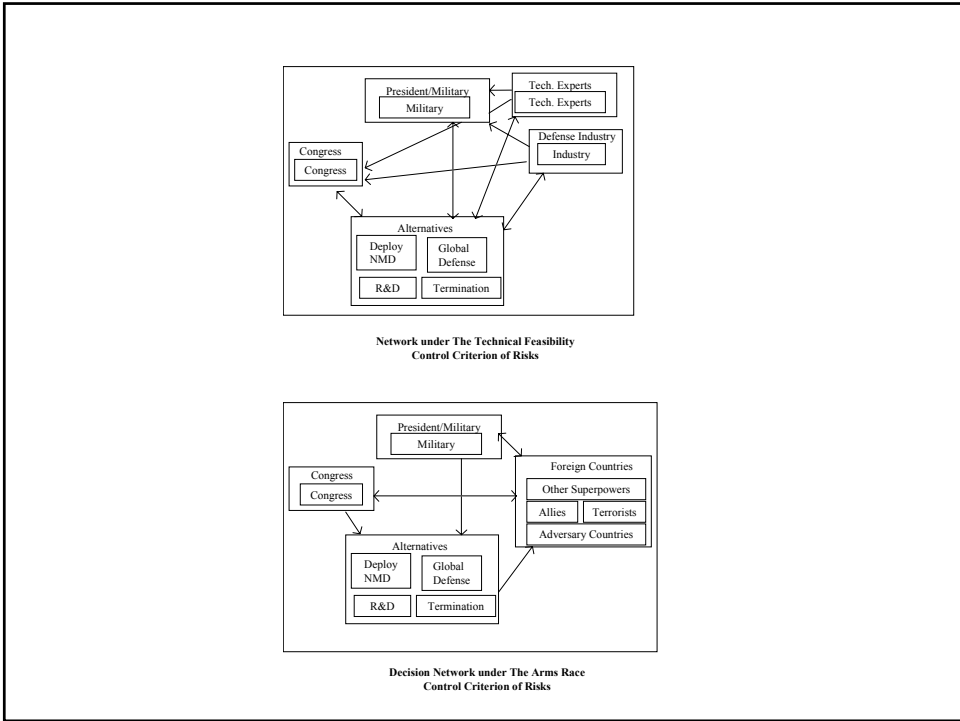
**Decision Network under The Security Threat
Control Subriterion of Costs**



**Decision Network under The Sunk Cost
Control Subriterion of Costs**



**Decision Network under The Further Investment
Control Subriterion of Costs**



The Unweighted Supermatrix

An entry in each subcolumn of the supermatrix indicates the relative priority within the block to which that subcolumn belongs that an element on the left is influenced by the element on top of the column with respect to Military Capability. Each subcolumn is an eigenvector imported from a corresponding pairwise comparisons matrix not shown here because its elements can be approximately formed from the ratios of the corresponding priority vector. A subcolumn of zeros indicates no influence and therefore no comparisons matrix is needed.

MilCap		Altern~				Cong~	Def. Ind~	For~	Pre/Mil~	Tech~
Unweighted		Deploy	Glob~	R & D	Term~	Cong~	Industry	Allies	Military	Tech~
Altern~	Deploy	0.0000	0.5760	1.0000	0.0000	0.5060	0.5587	0.0000	0.5158	0.2878
	Glob~	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.2890	0.2574	1.0000	0.2929	0.2623
	R & D	0.0000	0.4240	0.0000	0.0000	0.1307	0.1382	0.0000	0.1367	0.2369
	Term~	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0744	0.0457	0.0000	0.0546	0.2130
Cong~	Cong~	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0000	0.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
Defense Ind~	Industry	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
For~	Allies	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	1.0000	0.0000
Pre/Mil~	Military	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0000	1.0000
Tech~	Tech~	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

Pairwise Comparisons Matrices and Priorities of Components

Pairwise comparing components with respect to the Alternatives component

Q: Which of a pair of components is influenced more by the Alternatives component with respect to Military Capability?

Pairwise Comparison Matrix for Components wrt Alternatives

Altern~	1.00	1/6	1/4	1.33	1/7	1/1.8	0.0485
Cong~	6.00	1.00	2.20	6.20	1/1.35	3.20	0.2889
Def. Ind~	4.00	1/2.2	1.00	4.00	1/2.43	2.26	0.1653
For~	1/1.33	1/6.2	1/4	1.00	1/8	1/1.9	0.0425
Pres~	7.00	1.35	2.43	8.00	1.00	5.10	0.3742
Tech~	1.80	1/3.2	1/2.26	1.90	1/5.1	1.00	0.0805

Pairwise comparing components with respect to the Congress component

Q: Which of a pair of components is influenced more by the Congress component with respect to Military Capability?

	<i>Altern~</i>	<i>Pres~</i>	<i>Prior.</i>
<i>Altern~</i>	1.0000	0.5638	0.3605
<i>Pres~</i>	1.7736	1.0000	0.6395

Pairwise comparing components with respect to the Foreign Countries component

Q: Which of a pair of components is influenced more by the Foreign Countries component with respect to Military Capability?

	<i>Altern~</i>	<i>Cong~</i>	<i>Pres~</i>	<i>Prior.</i>
<i>Altern~</i>	1.0000	2.3379	2.3379	0.5393
<i>Cong~</i>	0.3940	1.0000	1.0000	0.2204
<i>Pres~</i>	0.3940	1.0000	1.0000	0.2204

Pairwise comparing components with respect to the Technical Experts component

Q: Which of a pair of components is influenced more by the Technical Experts component with respect to Military Capability?

	<i>Altern~</i>	<i>Cong~</i>	<i>Pres~</i>	<i>Prior.</i>
<i>Altern~</i>	1.0000	0.5556	0.3259	0.1671
<i>Cong~</i>	1.8000	1.0000	0.4632	0.2781
<i>Pres~</i>	3.0682	2.1591	1.0000	0.5548

Pairwise comparing components with respect to the Defense Industry component

Q: Which of a pair of components is influenced more by the Defense Industry component with respect to Military Capability?

	<i>Altern~</i>	<i>Cong~</i>	<i>Pres~</i>	<i>Prior.</i>
<i>Altern~</i>	1.0000	0.6769	0.5388	0.2292
<i>Cong~</i>	1.4773	1.0000	0.6600	0.3181
<i>Pres~</i>	1.8561	1.5152	1.0000	0.4528

Pairwise comparing components with respect to the President/Military component

Q: Which of a pair of components is influenced more by the President/Military component with respect to Military Capability?

	<i>Altern~</i>	<i>Cong~</i>	<i>For~</i>	<i>Prior.</i>
<i>Altern~</i>	1.0000	2.1887	3.6604	0.5735
<i>Cong~</i>	0.4569	1.0000	2.0377	0.2799
<i>For~</i>	0.2732	0.4907	1.0000	0.1467

Priorities Matrix of Eigenvectors

How much components are influenced by each component; imported from the matrices of the table above

Clusters	<i>Altern~</i>	<i>Cong~</i>	<i>Def. Ind~</i>	<i>For~</i>	<i>Pres~</i>	<i>Tech~</i>
<i>Altern~</i>	0.0486	0.3605	0.2292	0.1671	0.5735	0.5393
<i>Cong~</i>	0.2889	0.0000	0.3181	0.2780	0.2799	0.2204
<i>Def. Ind~</i>	0.1653	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
<i>For~</i>	0.0425	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.1467	0.0000
<i>Pres~</i>	0.3742	0.6395	0.4528	0.5548	0.0000	0.2204
<i>Tech~</i>	0.0805	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

The Weighted Supermatrix

Priorities from the above table are used to weight the corresponding blocks of the unweighted supermatrix

MilCap		<i>Altern~</i>				<i>Cong~</i>	<i>Def. Ind~</i>	<i>For~</i>	<i>Pre/Mil~</i>	<i>Tech~</i>
Weighted		NMD	Glob~	R & D	Term~	<i>Cong~</i>	Industry	Allies	Military	<i>Tech~</i>
<i>Altern~</i>	NMD	0.0000	0.0280	0.0000	0.0000	0.1824	0.1280	0.0000	0.2958	0.1610
	Glob~	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.1042	0.0590	0.1671	0.1680	0.1467
	R & D	0.0000	0.0206	0.0000	0.0000	0.0471	0.0317	0.0000	0.0784	0.1325
	Term~	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0268	0.0105	0.0000	0.0313	0.1191
<i>Cong~</i>	<i>Cong~</i>	0.3037	0.2889	0.3037	0.0000	0.0000	0.3181	0.2780	0.2799	0.2204
<i>Defense Ind~</i>	Industry	0.1737	0.1653	0.1737	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
<i>For~</i>	Allies	0.0446	0.0425	0.0446	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.1467	0.0000
<i>Pre/Mil~</i>	Military	0.3953	0.3742	0.3953	0.0000	0.6395	0.4528	0.5548	0.0000	0.2204
<i>Tech~</i>	<i>Tech~</i>	0.0846	0.0805	0.0846	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

The Limit Supermatrix

The weighted supermatrix raised to sufficiently large powers to stabilize within rounded off four place decimals

MilCap		<i>Altern~</i>				<i>Cong~</i>	<i>Def. Ind~</i>	<i>For~</i>	<i>Pre/Mil~</i>	<i>Tech~</i>
Limited		NMD	Glob~	R & D	Term~	<i>Cong~</i>	Industry	Allies	Military	<i>Tech~</i>
<i>Altern~</i>	NMD	0.1532	0.1532	0.1532	0.0000	0.1532	0.1532	0.1532	0.1532	0.1532
	Glob~	0.0968	0.0968	0.0968	0.0000	0.0968	0.0968	0.0968	0.0968	0.0968
	R & D	0.0438	0.0438	0.0438	0.0000	0.0438	0.0438	0.0438	0.0438	0.0438
	Term~	0.0201	0.0201	0.0201	0.0000	0.0201	0.0201	0.0201	0.0201	0.0201
<i>Cong~</i>	<i>Cong~</i>	0.2224	0.2224	0.2224	0.0000	0.2224	0.2224	0.2224	0.2224	0.2224
<i>Defense Ind~</i>	Industry	0.0513	0.0513	0.0513	0.0000	0.0513	0.0513	0.0513	0.0513	0.0513
<i>For~</i>	Allies	0.0619	0.0619	0.0619	0.0000	0.0619	0.0619	0.0619	0.0619	0.0619
<i>Pre/Mil~</i>	Military	0.3255	0.3255	0.3255	0.0000	0.3255	0.3255	0.3255	0.3255	0.3255
<i>Tech~</i>	<i>Tech~</i>	0.0250	0.0250	0.0250	0.0000	0.0250	0.0250	0.0250	0.0250	0.0250

IDEALIZED DECISION NETWORK VECTORS times NORMALIZED CONTROL CRITERIA

Benefits	Military Capability		Technical Advancement		SUM of
Control Criteria (CC)	0.075		0.063		wtd Alts
Normalized CC	0.542	Col. 1	0.458	Col. 2	Col 1 + Col 2
Alternatives	Idealized	(CC x Ideal.)	Idealized	(CC x Ideal.)	SUM
Deploy	1.000	0.542	0.928	0.425	0.967
Global	0.623	0.338	1.000	0.458	0.796
R&D	0.282	0.153	0.448	0.205	0.358
Terminate	0.129	0.070	0.085	0.039	0.109

Opportunities	Arms Sales		Spinoff		SUM of
Control Criteria (CC)	0.096		0.06		wtd Alts
Normalized CC	0.614	Col. 1	0.386	Col. 2	Col 1 + Col 2
Alternatives	Idealized	(CC x Ideal.)	Idealized	(CC x Ideal.)	SUM
Deploy	1.000	0.614	1.000	0.386	1.000
Global	0.674	0.414	0.521	0.201	0.614
R&D	0.341	0.209	0.288	0.111	0.321
Terminate	0.190	0.117	0.166	0.064	0.181

Costs	Sec. Threat		Sunk Cost		Further Inv.		Costs	1/Costs
Control Criteria (CC)	0.687		0.123		0.105		Sum of	
Normalized CC	0.751	Col. 1	0.134	Col. 2	0.115	Col. 3	Col's 1+2+3	Inverted
Alternatives	Idealized	(CC x Ideal.)	Idealized	(CC x Ideal.)	Idealized	(CC x Ideal.)	SUM	
Deploy	0.183	0.137	1.000	0.134	1.000	0.115	0.386	2.590
Global	0.344	0.259	0.574	0.077	0.496	0.057	0.393	2.548
R&D	0.579	0.435	0.332	0.044	0.279	0.032	0.512	1.955
Terminate	1.000	0.751	0.193	0.026	0.147	0.017	0.794	1.260

Risks	Tech Failure		Arms Race		Risks	1/Risks
Control Criteria (CC)	0.43		0.268		Sum of	
Normalized CC	0.616	Col. 1	0.384	Col. 2	Col's 1 + 2	Inverted
Alternatives	Idealized	(CC x Ideal.)	Idealized	(CC x Ideal.)	SUM	
Deploy	1.000	0.616	1.000	0.384	1.000	1.000
Global	0.621	0.382	0.693	0.266	0.648	1.542
R&D	0.375	0.231	0.441	0.169	0.401	2.496
Terminate	0.262	0.161	0.302	0.116	0.277	3.606

Priority Ratings for the Merits: Benefits, Opportunities, Costs and Risks

Very High (0.419), High (0.263), Medium (0.160), Low (0.097), Very Low (0.061)

		Benefits	Opportunities	Costs	Risks
World Peace	Adversary Countries	Very High	Medium	High	Very Low
	Security Dilemma	Very Low	Very Low	Very High	Very Low
	Terrorism	Medium	Very Low	High	High
Human Well-Being	Technological Advancement	High	High	Low	Very Low
	Market Creation	Medium	High	Very Low	Very Low
International Politics	Military Relations	High	High	Medium	Very Low
	Diplomatic Relations	Low	Low	Low	Very High
		0.264	0.184	0.363	0.188

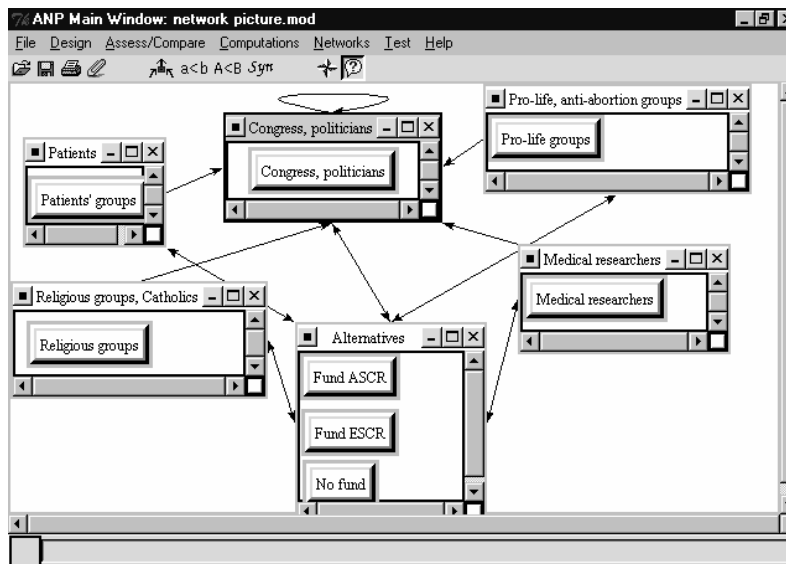
Sum of the BOCR merit priorities times the "Totals" for their control criteria

	Benefits		Opportunities		Costs		Risks	
	0.264		0.184		0.363		0.188	
Alts	<i>Sum(from above)</i>	<i>(Sum x .264)</i>	<i>Sum(from above)</i>	<i>(Sum x .184)</i>	<i>Sum(from above)</i>	<i>(Sum x .363)</i>	<i>Sum(from above)</i>	<i>(Sum x .188)</i>
Deploy	0.967	0.255	1.000	0.184	0.386	0.140	1.000	0.188
Global	0.796	0.210	0.614	0.113	0.393	0.142	0.648	0.122
R&D	0.358	0.094	0.321	0.059	0.512	0.186	0.401	0.075
Terminate	0.109	0.029	0.181	0.033	0.794	0.288	0.277	0.052
	*if a sum column is not ideal, that is, the largest value not 1.0, idealize by dividing by largest value in the column							

Synthesis of the Alternatives in Three Ways

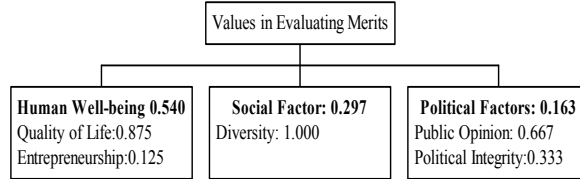
Alternatives	BO/CR		bB+oO+c(1-C)+r(1-R)		bB+oO-cC+rR	
	(from unweighted columns in table above)	Normalized	(from unweighted cols. in table above)	Normalized	(from weighted cols in table above)	(Unitized by dividing by number with smallest absolute value)
Deploy	2.504	0.493	0.662	0.333	0.111	1.891
Global	1.921	0.379	0.610	0.307	0.059	1.000
R&D	0.560	0.110	0.444	0.223	-0.108	-1.831
Terminate	0.090	0.018	0.274	0.138	-0.278	-4.736

STEM CELL Decision Network for Four Criteria: Medical Treatment, Oversight, Funding, Moral Issue and Religious Issue



Stem Cell Decision (ANP)

Hierarchy for Rating Opportunities, Costs and Risks



Priority Ratings for the Merits: Benefits, Opportunities, Costs and Risks

Very High (0.419), High (0.263), Medium (0.160), Low (0.097), Very Low (0.061)

	Criteria	Opportunities	Costs	Risks
Human well-being (0.468)	Quality of life (0.875)	Very high	Medium	High
	Entrepreneurship (0.125)	High	Low	Very high
Social Factor (0.297)	Diversity (1.000)	Low	High	High
Political factors (0.163)	Public opinion (0.667)	Medium	High	Very high
	Political integrity (0.333)	Very low	Medium	High
Priorities		0.352	0.262	0.386

Priorities of Criteria and Subcriteria

	Criteria	Subcriteria	Global priorities
Opportunities	Medical advancement (0.631)	Medical treatment (0.750)	0.473
		Economic profits (0.250)	0.158
	Social (0.369)	Oversight (1.000)	0.369
Costs	Funding (0.602)		0.602
	Commercialization (0.398)		0.398
Risks	Medical development (0.393)	Losing competition (1.000)	0.393
	Social risks (0.607)	Moral issue (0.690)	0.419
		Religious issue (0.310)	0.188

Matrices for The Religious Issue Decision Network of Risks

Unweighted Supermatrix		Alternatives			Congress	Medical researchers	Patients	Antibortion groups	Religious groups
		ASCR Fund	ESCR Fund	No Funding	Congress	Medical researchers	Patients	Antibortion groups	Religious groups
Alternatives	ASCR Fund	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.3331	0.3196	0.3339	0.3237	0.3126
	ESCR Fund	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.5695	0.5584	0.5013	0.5862	0.5996
	No Fund	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0974	0.1220	0.1649	0.0901	0.0878
Congress	Congress	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
Medical Researchers	Medical Researchers	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Patient	Patient	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Antibortion groups	Antibortion groups	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Religious groups	Religious groups	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

	Alternatives	Congress	Medical researchers	Patients	Antibortion groups	Religious groups
Alternatives	0.0000	0.6667	0.6667	0.6667	0.6667	0.6667
Congress	0.1314	0.3333	0.3333	0.3333	0.3333	0.3333
Medical researchers	0.1977	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Patients	0.2237	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Antibortion groups	0.2237	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Religious groups	0.2237	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

Weighted Supermatrix		Alternatives			Congress	Medical researchers	Patients	Antibortion groups	Religious groups
		ASCR Fund	ESCR Fund	No Funding	Congress	Medical researchers	Patients	Antibortion groups	Religious groups
Alternatives	ASCR Fund	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.2220	0.2131	0.2226	0.2158	0.2084
	ESCR Fund	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.3797	0.3723	0.3342	0.3908	0.3998
	No Fund	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0649	0.0813	0.1099	0.0601	0.0585
Congress	Congress	0.1314	0.1314	0.1314	0.3333	0.3333	0.3333	0.3333	0.3333
Medical Researchers	Medical Researchers	0.1977	0.1977	0.1977	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Patient	Patient	0.2237	0.2237	0.2237	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Antibortion groups	Antibortion groups	0.2237	0.2237	0.2237	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Religious groups	Religious groups	0.2237	0.2237	0.2237	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

Limit Supermatrix		Alternatives			Congress	Medical researchers	Patients	Antibortion groups	Religious groups
		ASCR Fund	ESCR Fund	No Funding	Congress	Medical researchers	Patients	Antibortion groups	Religious groups
Alternatives	ASCR Fund	0.130785	0.130785	0.130785	0.130785	0.130785	0.130785	0.130785	0.130785
	ESCR Fund	0.225947	0.225947	0.225947	0.225947	0.225947	0.225947	0.225947	0.225947
	No Fund	0.043268	0.043268	0.043268	0.043268	0.043268	0.043268	0.043268	0.043268
Congress	Congress	0.252546	0.252546	0.252546	0.252546	0.252546	0.252546	0.252546	0.252546
Medical Researchers	Medical Researchers	0.079073	0.079073	0.079073	0.079073	0.079073	0.079073	0.079073	0.079073
Patient	Patient	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461
Antibortion groups	Antibortion groups	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461
Religious groups	Religious groups	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461	0.089461

Final Outcome

	Opportunities(0.352)	Costs(0.262)	Risks (0.386)	Final Outcome
Fund ASCR	0.350	0.374	0.316	0.343
Fund ESCR	0.501	0.332	0.306	0.381
No fund	0.148	0.293	0.378	0.275

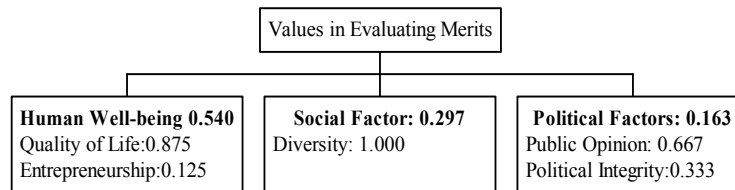
The priorities of the alternatives under the Costs and Risks are reciprocals

Sensitivity Analysis

		Original priorities (local)	Priorities that begin to change the ranks
OCR	Opportunities	0.352	0.126 and less
	Costs	0.262	0.626 and more
	Risks	0.386	0.711 and more
Criteria/subcriteria	Medical advancement	0.631	0.932 and more
	Funding	0.602	0.942 and more
	Commercialization	0.398	0.058 and less
	Medical development-Losing competition	0.393	0.105 and less
	Moral issue	0.690	0.908 and more
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Stem Cell Research Decision (AHP)

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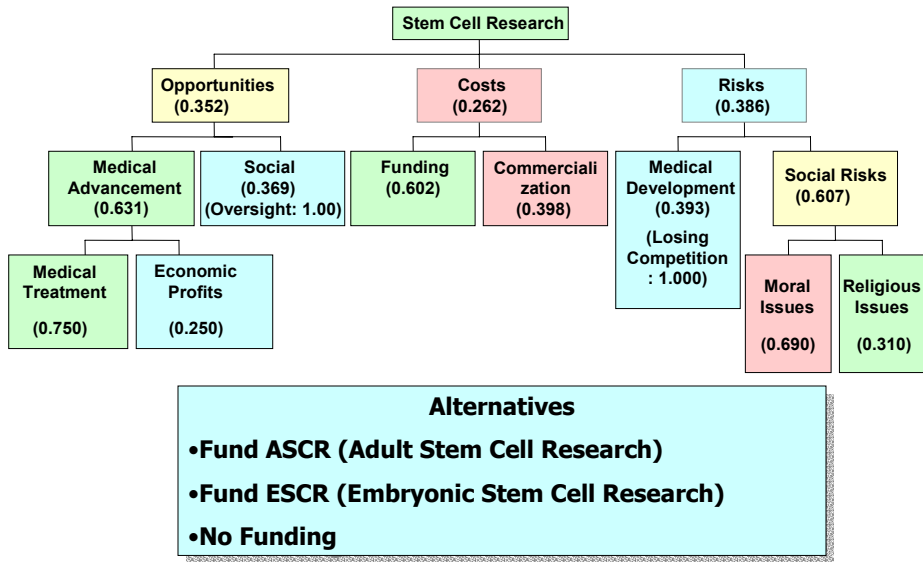


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Stem Cell Opportunities, Costs and Risks Data and Synthesis

Priority of BOCR Merit	Opportunities		Costs			1/Costs		Risks		1/Risks	
	Ideal	Normalized	Ideal	Normalized	Inverted	Norm. Inv.	Ideal	Normalized	Inverted	Norm. Inv.	
Conditional funding (ASCR)	0.702	0.350	0.576	0.304	3.285	0.363	0.699	0.350	2.857	0.315	
Continue funding (ESCR)	1.000	0.499	0.677	0.358	2.794	0.309	0.717	0.359	2.784	0.307	
Terminate funding	0.303	0.151	0.639	0.338	2.961	0.327	0.580	0.291	3.439	0.379	

Priority of BOCR Merit	O/(CR)		oO-cC-rR		Unitized	
	(Using Ideals)	Normalized	(x OCR wts)	(Using Ideals)	(Divide by 0.139)	
Conditional funding (ASCR)	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!		-0.041	0.811	
Continue funding (ESCR)	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!		0.050	-1.000	
Terminate funding	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!		-0.126	2.509	

Three Auto Industry Models

1. Best strategy for Ford with respect to the Ford Explorer/Firestone tire controversy
2. Should Porsche, a luxury car maker, introduce a Sports Utility Vehicle (SUV)?
3. Validation Exercise: Estimating the market share of Toyota

Ford Explorer/Firestone Tire

What is the best strategy for the Ford Company to follow for its Ford Explorer SUV? It has been a very popular brand in recent years, but a series of accidents involving Explorers with Firestone tires has tarnished its image.

There are four possible strategies that Ford can follow:

1. Discontinue Explorer
2. Redesign the model
3. Maintain the current model
4. Maintain the current model and change the tire supplier

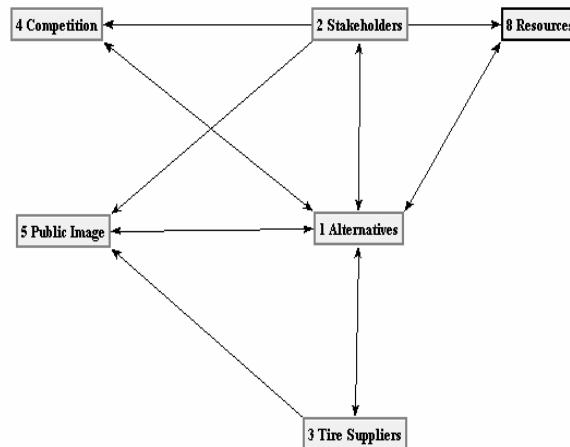
Top Level View of Model : Benefits, Costs and Risks



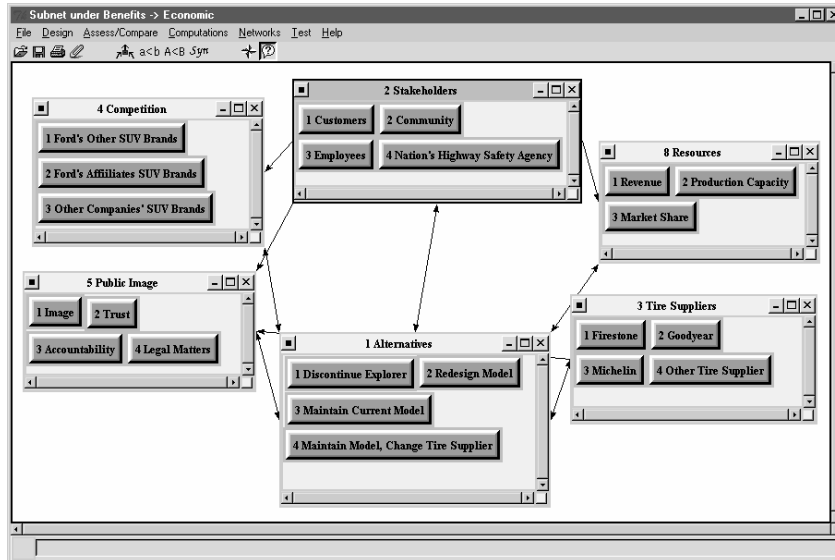
The Six Decision Networks under Benefits, Costs and Risks

Benefits	Costs	Risks
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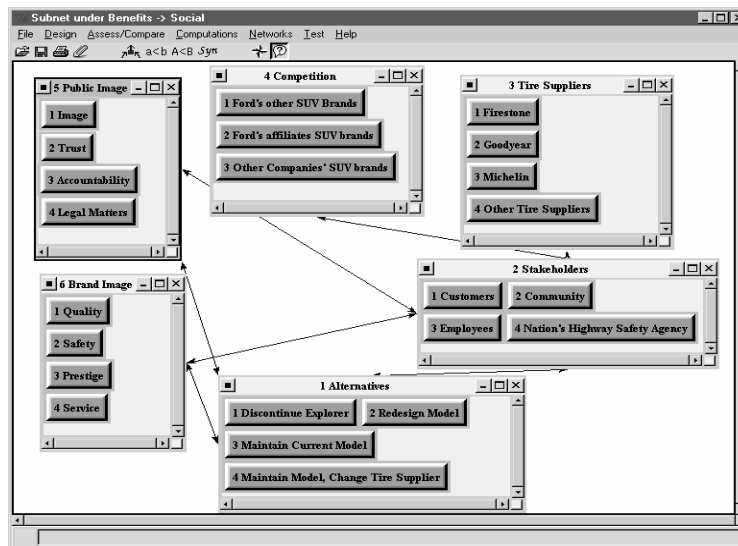
Macro View of the Decision Network under Benefits, Economic



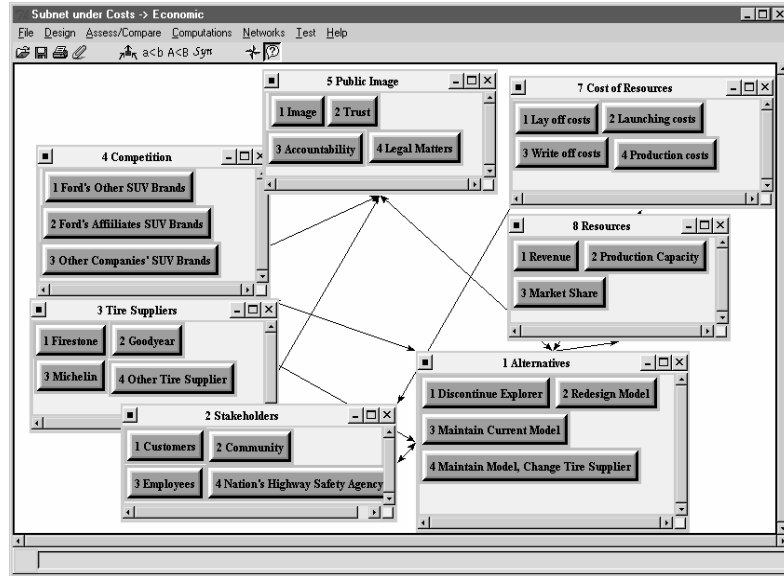
Expanded View of the Decision Network under Benefits: Economic



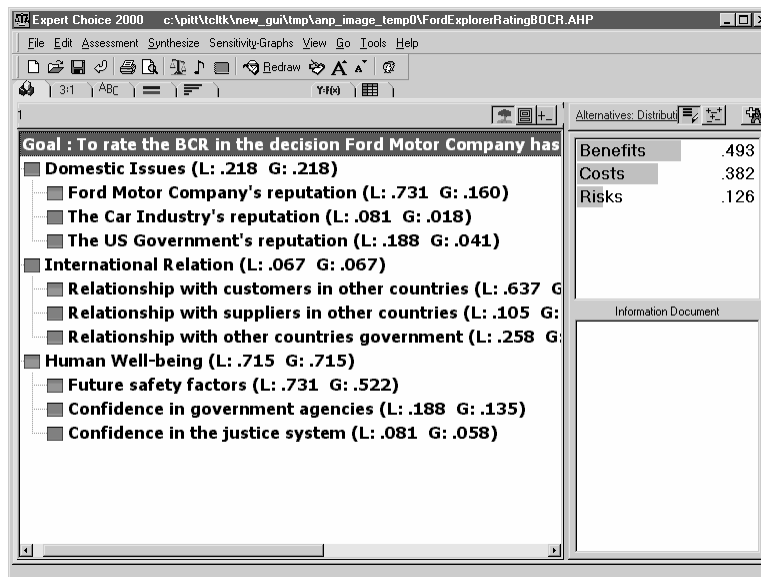
Expanded View of the other Decision Network under Benefits: Social



Expanded View of the Economic Decision Network under Costs



The Strategic Criteria used to Rate and Normalized Benefits, Costs and Risks



Results of Ford Strategy Model Shown using Three Methods of Synthesizing the Benefits, Costs and Risks

Alternatives	B/(CR)		bB+c(1-C)+r(1-R)		bB-cC-rR	
	(Using Ideals)	Normalized	(x b,c,r wts.) (Using Ideal.)	Normalized	(x b,c,r wts.) (Using Ideals)	Unitized (Divide by 0.173)
Discontinue Explorer	0.171	0.113	0.996	0.259	0.334	1.931
Redesign Model	1	0.659	1	0.260	0.376	2.173
Maintain Current Model	0.024	0.016	0.868	0.226	-1.000	-5.780
Maintain Model, Change Tire Suppl	0.322	0.212	0.980	0.255	-0.173	-1.000

The Best Strategy for Ford under any Method
of Synthesis is to Redesign the Explorer Model

Should Porsche enter the SUV Market?

Should Porsche, a manufacturer of luxury sports cars and the world's most profitable automaker, have introduced a Sports Utility Vehicle (SUV)? Is the decision justified financially, socially and politically with respect to Benefits, Opportunities, Costs, Risks?

The Alternatives are:

- Introduce SUV
- Do not introduce SUV

Top Level View of Model : the Benefits, Costs and Risks



The Twelve Decision Networks under Benefits, Costs, Risks and Opportunities

Benefits	Opportunities	Costs	Risks
▪ Financial	▪ Financial	▪ Financial	▪ Financial
▪ Social	▪ Social	▪ Social	▪ Social
▪ Political	▪ Political	▪ Political	▪ Political