Bow-Tie Diagram From Threats with Controls

Overview

This page displays a similar diagram as with the Bow-tie diagram from specific Threats (without controls) -- but on this page the likelihoods, impacts, and risks are calculated with controls in effect. Controls can also be viewed, selected/deselected (to be in effect), and assigned from the diagram.



In Riskion, we refer to **threats**, **causes**, **hazards**, and **sources** interchangeably. While they may have slightly different nuances depending on the context in which they are used, they serve the same purpose -- they are all threats/sources of risk (for Risk Events) or sources of opportunity (for Opportunity Events). In our sample model, we are using the terminology "Source(s)".

Controls are defined to reduce or mitigate the:

- Likelihood of Sources (from the bow-tie, these are the controls on the sources boxes at the left)
- Vulnerabilities of Events from Sources (from the bow-tie, these are the controls on the lines connecting the event to the sources)
- **Consequences of Events to Objectives** (from the bow-tie, these are the controls on the lines connecting the event to the objectives)

The bow-time diagram for the Event "Failed Integration with Failure Monitoring System Network" from source "Public Relations" with controls is displayed below.



The selected **Event** is displayed at the center of the diagram (circle). Its background color varies based on the event's %risk.

The Sources to which the selected event is vulnerable are displayed on the left side of the diagram (green boxes).

The **Objectives** of the selected Event are at the right (blue boxes).

The specific Source ("Human Factor") from which the event is being analyzed is selected from the Likelihood Hierarchy at the left.

You can view and analyze the following information:

- L Likelihood of Sources
- V Vulnerabilities of events to sources
- C Consequences of Events on Objectives
- P Priority of Events on Objectives

Focusing on the first source and objective on the diagram:



- 1. The Likelihood (L) of the Source "Inadequate Trained Staff" given the source "Human Factor" is 10.47%
- 2. The Vulnerability (V) of the Event "Failed Integration with Future Monitoring System Network" from source "Inadequately Trained Staff" is **0.66%**
- The Consequence (C) of the Event "Failed Integration with Future Monitoring System Network" on the Objective "Loss of Company Reputation" is 46.70%
- 4. The Priority (P) of Objective "Loss of Company Reputation" is 4.28% (overall or global impact)

From the above diagram, we can see that there are 5 potential controls and only 1 is in effect as represented on the box with the value **0.900**.



Hovering on it will show the control name, "Replace Operator" as shown above.

The "**Replace Operator**" with the effectiveness of 0.9 is a control that mitigates the Vulnerability of the Event "Failed Integration with Future Monitoring System Network" From the source "Inadequately Trained Staff". With this, [V:0.66%] is a mitigated vulnerability.

You can uncheck the "With Controls" checkbox on the toolbar to see the results without controls.



Here we see that the Vulnerability [V] of the event "Failed Integration..." to the source "Inadequately Trained Staff" given "Human Factor" without control is **6.64%**. When the "**Replace Operator**" control is in effect, the Vulnerability is reduced by **5.976**.

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= Event Vulnerability without control * Control Effectiveness
= 6.64 * 0.9
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= 5.976 %
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Finally, the resulting Event Vulnerability with control is 6.64 % - 5.976% = **0.66%**.

The Likelihood of the event to a given source (L*V), and the Impact of the event (C*P) on a given objective are shown on the connecting lines to the source/objective boxes:



- The Likelihood of the Event "Failed Integration with Future Monitoring System Network" to the source "Inadequately Trained Staff" given "Human Factor" is **0.07%** (*this is 0.69% without control*).
- The Impact of the Event "Failed Integration with Future Monitoring System Network" on the Objective "Loss of Company Reputation" given "Human Factor" is **2.0%** (since there is no control is in effect for this event given the objective, the impact remains 2.0%)

The summation of (\sum "L*V") event's likelihoods from each event is the Likelihood of the Event, and the summation (\sum "C*P") event's impact on each objective is the Impact of the Event -- given the selected source.



The event "Failed Integration with Future Monitoring System Network" has Likelihood and Impact due to source "Human Factor" **0.22%** and **6.25%** with controls respectively.

The Event's risk is then computed by Likelihood * Impact:

0.22% * 6.25% = 0.01% (as shown at the top of the Event)

You can select another Event to analyze from the Events list pulldown at the top:



and you can select another source by clicking a node from the Likelihood Hierarchy at the left:



Manage Controls from the Bow-tie Diagram

You can select/deselect a control to be in effect by double-clicking a control.

Alternatively, you can right-click on a control box to see the select/deselect options together with other functionality.



- Edit Control open to update the control name, cost, and categories.
- Edit Description open a rich text editor to edit the control description
- Evaluation Control Effectiveness redirect to evaluation step specific to the control selected
- Delete control delete the control

Hovering on the Source box, and the connecting line from Event to Source and Event to Objective will show a hamburger menu.



• View Controls - open a modal listing all the potential controls for the specific source, event from a source, or event to an objective. The effectiveness of the control and is active (YES if selected, NO if not) is also displayed.

Control	Effectiveness	Is Active
Periodic Proficiency Training	0.820	
dentify Staff requiring additional training	0.550	

• Expanded View - shows a diagram of the elements (source, event, objective, control)

Expanded View				
	Inadequately Trained Staff	-90% Replace Operator	Failed Integration with Future Monitoring System Network	
				Close

- New Control add a new control
- Select Controls list all the available controls for the specific control type (for sources, events to source, or events to objectives). Here you can select potential control of given elements involved.
- Edit Controls redirect to the Identify Controls page
- Remove Contribution

Available Controls

Clicking Available Controls will open a modal listing all the identified potential controls.

Participant or Group	o: [All Participants] 🗸 🏭 Regions 🖹 Export 🔚 Loss Exceedance 🍸 Select Events	Available Controls.
Results 🗹 With	Available Controls	
Likelih	Monthly Performance Review	
Selected controls	 ✓ Schedule Proper Maintenance ✓ Upgrade Signals 	
	 Andatory Training for Engineers Periodic Proficiency Training 	
🚠 Sour	 Identify Staff requiring additional training Update Sensor 	
Inadequa	 Back-up Generator Power Periodic Inspection/Maintenance of Power Relay Station 	
[L:6.24%]	 Predeployment Software Testing Quality Control of Cables 	
0.820	Employ Higher Security	
	 ✓ Increase physical security ✓ Emplace flood prevention material 	
	 Employ Water Pumps Periodic System Functional Checks 	
Disregard	Planned System Software Upgrades	

Controls that are "checked" means that the control can be in effect or selected (manually or by optimization)

Controls that are "unchecked" mean that the control is **disabled** and can't be in effect or selected.

The "Available controls" option is just similar to the "Disabled" column on the Identify controls grid -- disabled controls are unavailable for selection for controls to be in effect.

If control is un-available, the box of that control showing its effectiveness is hidden on the bow-tie diagram

When there are un-available controls, the button will have an exclamation mark ee

Available Controls.

Select Participant or Group

The bow-tie for the "All Participants" group is displayed by default. By selecting from the "Participants and Groups" dropdown, you can display the bow-tie analysis for another participants or group:

Participant or Group:	[All Participants] 🗸
Show Monetary Value	[All Participants]
	[C-Level Executives]
🕂 Sources	[Engineering]
Inadequately Trained [L:6.24%]	Denis Risman
	Brian Quigley
Disregarding or Not	Chief Risk Officer
[L:26.92%]	Chief Engineering Officer
Engineers Failure to	IT Supervisor
[L:8.32%]	Chief Executive Officer
System Software Te	Devin Nagy
[L:5.97%]	Michael Mankowski
System Hardware Te	John Doe

Define Event Color (Region)

Default colors are already provided for the events on the diagram based on the event's %risk.



Participant or Group: [All P	articipants] 🗸 🏭 Regions 🕒 E	Export 🐚 Loss Exceedance 🍸 Select Events			
Values (Value of Enterprise: \$1,384,653,606,66,Value of "Financial": \$100,000,000) 🎤 <u>Save as image</u>					
Bow-Tie for Intelligent Event London Ling					
Regions Editor					
Settings:					
If Risk > Rh	#FF5656	•			
If Risk <= Rh and >= RI	#FFFF56	•			
If Risk < RI	#09B500	•			
Percentage Moneta	ry Value				
Rh (%) =	5.00				
RI (%) =	l (%) = 2.00 ♦				
Reset to defaults Ok Cancel					

Here you can specify the limits: Rh (risk high) and Rl (risk low) both for percentage or monetary.

Given the limits, you can specify the 3 regions/colors:

- High Risk
- Mid (in-between) Risk
- Low Risk

Export Bow-tie to Excel or Image Format

Click Export to export the bowtie into a .xlsx file.

Click Save as image link to download the diagram as an image file (.jpeg)

Show Monetary Values

Simulated vs Computed Event Likelihoods, Impacts, and Risks (Flaw of Averages)

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