## Rancor Hybrid Energy System Microworld

## (How to design and evaluate HMIs sity of Idaho Idaho National Laboratory for Nuclear Power)

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NPP Nuclear Power Plant
ConOps Concept of Operations
Hill Human Hadrine Interface
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NL Idaho National Laboratory
HISEL Human Systems Simulation Laboratory
HEE Human Factors Engineer

## 1. Understand the Problem

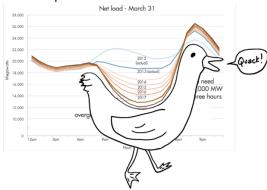
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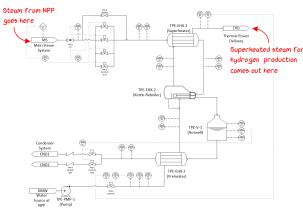
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Proliferation of renewables results in too much electricity being generated during the day. Nuclear Power Plants (NPPs) can't load follow and need alternative revenue streams to remain competitive.

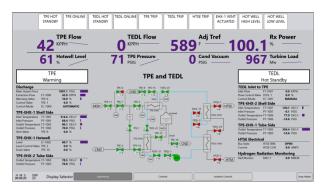
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2. Design Hybrid Energy System for NPP. Easy, just hire some nuclear engineers.

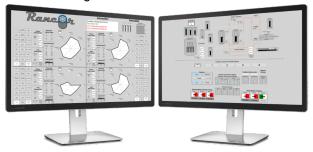


- 3. Specify ConOps and HMI requirements.
- 4. Survive Pandemic.
- 5. Design Quasi-Dynamic Prototype HMI and Procedures



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- 6. Remote User Evaluation w/ Operators
  Operators walked through scenarios with a quasi-dynamic HMI over teleconferencing. We validated the basic ConOps and received lots of feedback regarding the interface and engineering design.
- 7. Utilize Rancor Microworld for Iterative Interface
  Design and Evaluation with Student Operators
  The Rancor Microworld is a dynamic simplified nuclear reactor
  simulator developed by the Vofl and INL. We implemented a
  simplified model of the hybrid energy system allowing us to
  iterate the design with students.

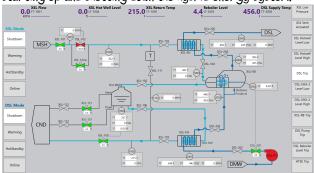


8. Implement Refined HMI in INL's HSSL's Full-scope, Full-scale, Reconfigurable Simulator.



HFE5 (yours truly) pretending to discuss something important during a photoshoot in the HSSL circa 2013.

Conduct Dynamic Scenario Testing w/ Operators
 Operators were able to complete normal and abnormal
 operating procedures but desired increased automation for
 starting up and shutting down the hybrid energy system.



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