Safety of Nuclear Power Plants Tutorial - Fault Tree Analysis Due: April 17th, 2012

Description of the system

- An exothermic reaction takes place in a vessel.
- The cooling of the vessel controls the reaction and the end products.

• In case of an increased exothermic reaction, the operator can increase the speed of the pump using the controller.

• Under design conditions, this measure suffices to avoid vessel burst.



Your task is to help the maintenance personnel to draw a failure tree considering "Vessel Burst" as the top event and quantify this tree. You may assume following probabilities:

Failure of sensor	0.0001	Failure of	0.001	Failure of	0.01
		controller		valve	
Failure of heat	0.001	Failure of	0.0001	Loss of	0.01
exchanger		pipe		medium/water	
Operator	0.0001	Tank break	1E(-6)		
failure					