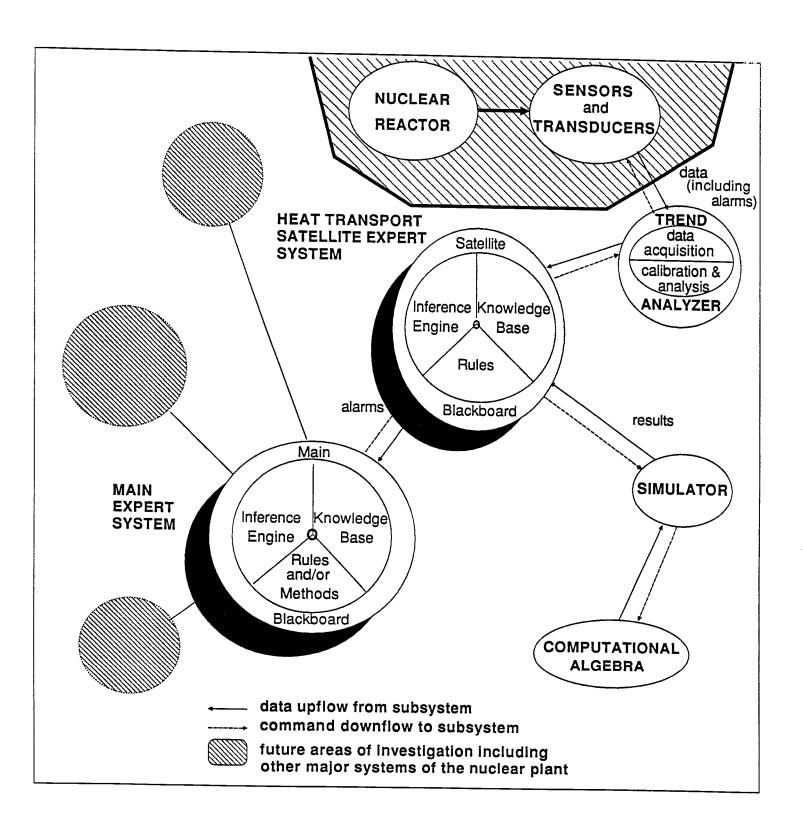
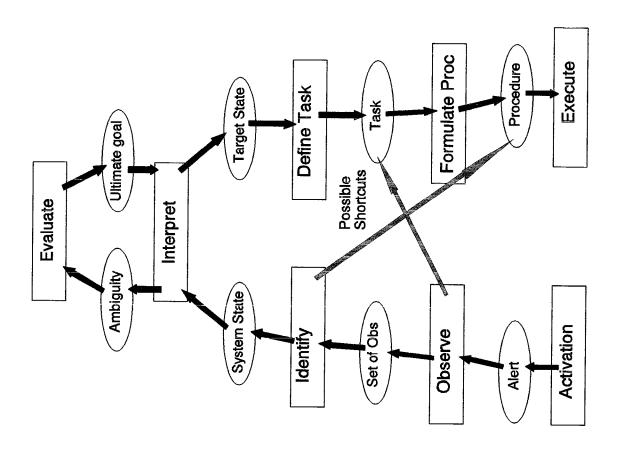


Figure 1 The Intersection of Computer Simulation, Expert Systems and Energy Engineering





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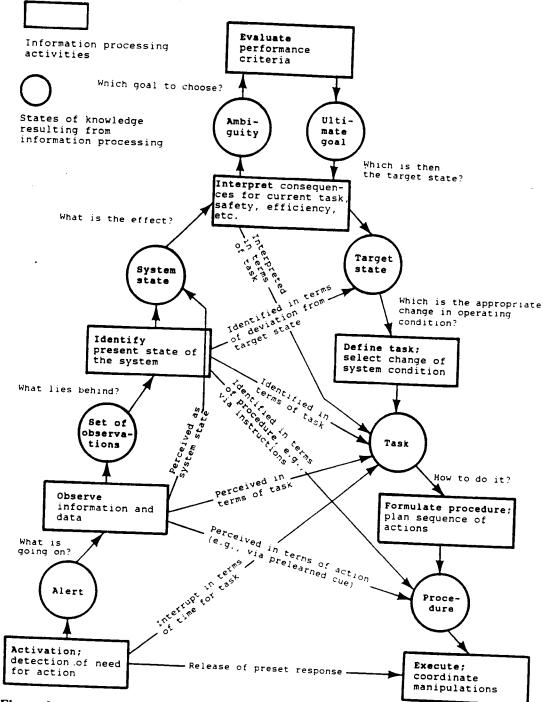
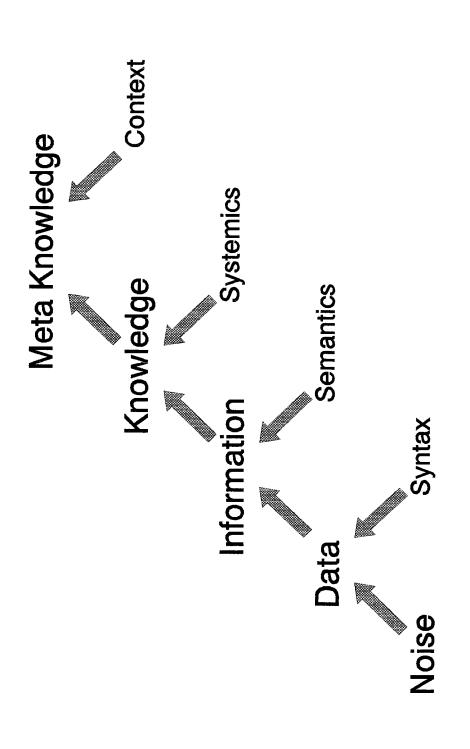


Figure 2.1. Schematic map of the sequence of information processes involved in a control decision. Rational, causal reasoning connects the "states of knowledge" in the basic sequence. Stereotyped processes can bypass intermediate stages. Together with the work environment, the decision sequence forms a closed loop. Actions change the state of the environment, which is monitored by the decision maker in the next pass through the decision ladder. [Adapted from Rasmussen (1976) with permission from Plenum Publishing Corp.]





## AI & Simulation

## A Real Time Application

- Not a scenario analyzer
- Is a knowledge-based system to support real-time processing systems
- Will discuss an expert system (Nuclear Reactor Operator Companion) focusing on the architectural design strategy
- Main points of discussion:

problem definition -> finite vs. infinite

inference strategy -> procedural vs. declarative

inference tactics -> exclude + score card

