

Cyber Security

Cyber Physical Systems

Systems Engineering Perspective

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Cyber Security Problem Statement

- **Attack vectors are applied to vulnerabilities in electronic parts* associated with tampering (as defined by the SAE organization). These threats in hardware assurance and security enables a broad range of attack vectors in cyber physical systems supporting the U.S. critical infrastructure and national security.**
- **In response to growing cyber threats, President Obama in 2013 signed Executive Order 13636 - *“Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity”*. It calls for the development of a *Cybersecurity Framework* (NIST, 2013), which is charged with the task of adopting and implementing risk-based standards to identify high-risk infrastructure and select alternatives for risk mitigation.**

****Definition of electronic part includes circuit assemblies as defined by DoD***

- ***Tampered:*** A part which has been intentionally and maliciously modified from its intended design to enable a disruption in performance or an unauthorized function.
 - *Tampering can occur at any phase of a part's life cycle, which begins at design, continues through fabrication (manufacturing), all the way to its active usage in the field and disposition.*
 - *Parts that are tampered can have dangerous consequences for the systems that incorporate them. For example:*
 - ◆ *A tampered part can act as a time bomb where its functionality is unexpectedly "killed" at a critical moment.*
 - ◆ *Tampered parts may also contain backdoors that give access to critical system functionality or leak secret information to an adversary.*
 - ◆ *Tampered parts may contain maliciously modified embedded firmware and software.*

Tampered Counterfeit Electronic Parts Includes Maliciously Altered Firmware or Software

Final rule, 79 Fed. Reg. 26001 Detection and Avoidance of Counterfeit Electronic Parts; Effective May 6th, 2014.

Definition of electronic part:

*“Electronic part means an integrated circuit, a discrete electronic component (including, but not limited to, a transistor, capacitor, resistor, or diode), or a circuit assembly (section 818(f)(2) of Pub. L. 112-81). **The term “electronic part” includes any embedded software or firmware.**”*

Final rule, 78 Fed. Reg. 69273 Safeguarding Unclassified Controlled Technical Information; Effective November 18th, 2013:

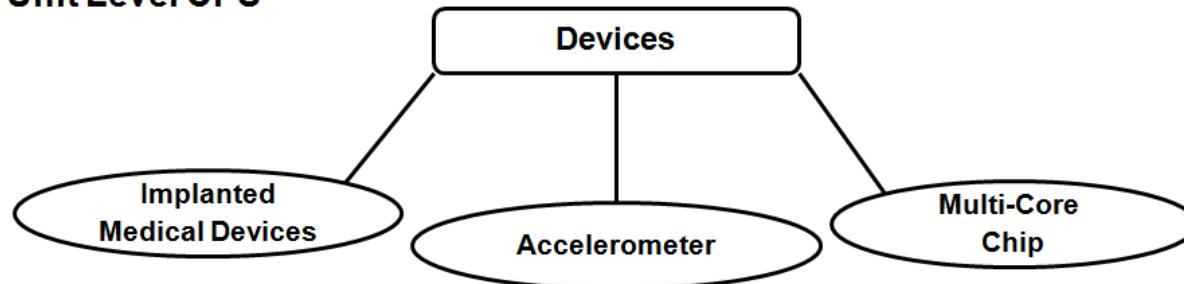
Requires implementing adequate security measures to safeguard unclassified controlled technical information within contractor information systems from unauthorized access and disclosure, and to report cyber intrusion events that affect DoD information resident on or transiting through contractor unclassified information systems.

The Definition Implies Cyber Physical Systems Security Concerns

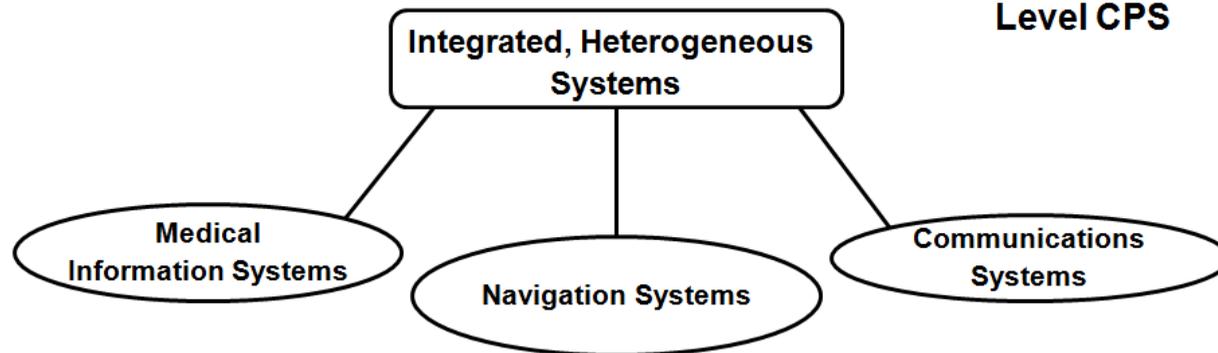
Cyber Physical Systems Definition

- *Cyber Physical Systems (CPS) are electronics systems that operate as a single, self-contained device or within an interconnected network providing shared operations. An added distinction of this CPS definition is a requirement for affecting a tangible output through command and control electronics embedded in the device or distributed across network nodes.*

Unit Level CPS



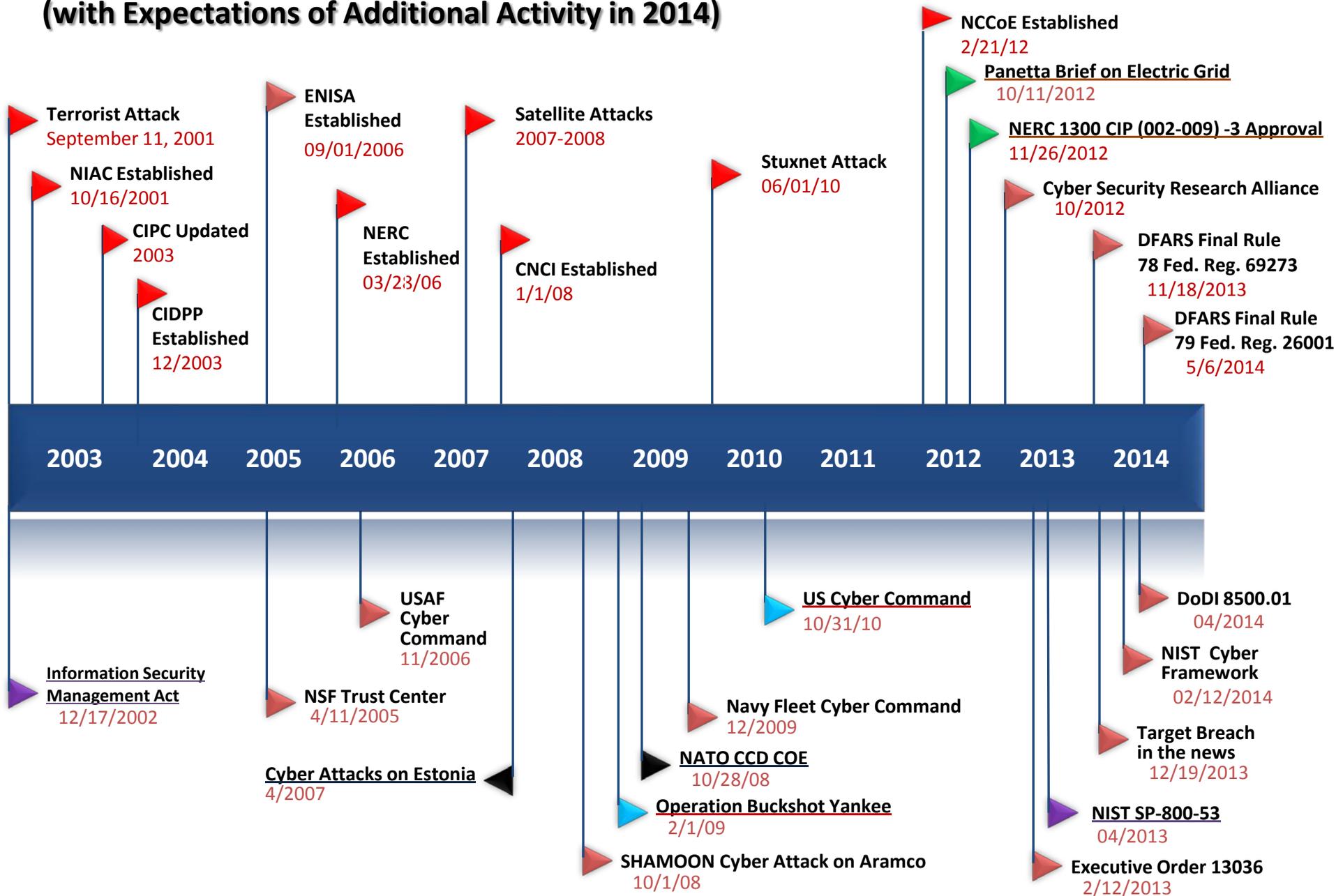
Integrated Network Level CPS



Multiple Calls to Action for Cyber Physical Systems

A Partial Listing of Major Cyber Physical Systems Related Milestones

(with Expectations of Additional Activity in 2014)



Industry data breaches/cyber attacks increased this year to date by 18.3% from 614 reported 2013 breaches exposing 91,982,172 records.

(<http://www.idtheftcenter.org/id-theft/data-breaches.html>)

Cost/impact of security breaches:

- **Average cost of data theft in 2012 was \$188 per customer account* (i.e. exposed record).**
- **Average cost per security breach in 2012 totaling over \$5.4 million*.**
- **Analysts are forecasting \$1 billion in losses for the Target breach. Since the breach was discovered, the company has incurred \$88 million in breach-related expenses, its filings say.****

**Ponemon Institute, 2013*

***New York Times, June 8, 2014*

What are the Challenges for CPS-Security?

- The dependencies of CPS on technology
- HW /SW Vulnerabilities make the possibility of disruption greater than ever
- CPS Stakeholder loss of confidence has high impact to business
- Scalability of the CPS-security design
- CPS Performance prediction
- Advancement of attacker's capabilities
- Highly sophisticated clones
- Attacker's intent
- Security and Privacy in CPS-S
- Modeling and Simulation
- Lack of detection for embedded chip features
- CPS Risk Assessment and Decision Analysis
- CPS Resiliency Definition

Source:
2014 CHASE Workshop
Cyber Physical Systems Panel

Panel members included:
DHS, DOD, NIST, NSF, and
Government Consultants

Problem Definition and Approach

- **Cyber Physical Security is a complex topic with a number of areas of concern that need to be addressed to ensure robust, resilient systems.**
- **Need to establish a taxonomy that enables a common understanding for integrating an approach**
- **Elements of the approach include current and future risk assessment, presentation of any gaps, and resolution to mitigate risks across areas of concern.**



Industry and Government Needs

- **Systems based view that interweaves the various areas of concern that need to be addressed**
- **Identify weaknesses and gaps in policy, services, and high-fidelity technology roadmaps to help govern future policy and allocate research resources**
- **Framework that is robust based on the knowledge we know today, yet resilient enough to address the persistent, dynamic threat**
- **Incorporates the strictly technological perspective with *social and decision making aspects* in the construct**



Electronic Piece Parts

- For the first release of AS6171, SAE G-19A is proposing assessment of a programmable device as part of the evaluation (to determine if it is pre-programmed).
- G-19A main committee voted unanimously to form a “Tampered” subgroup.
- **Summarized Scope & Expected Outcome:**
 - Advance the knowledge of how advanced malicious features are introduced and applied in electronic parts.
 - Develop a detailed taxonomy of defects associated with tampered counterfeit parts.
 - Develop cost effective test methods capable of detecting defects associated with tampered counterfeit parts.
 - Establish and standardize methods for detecting the presence of malicious features in electronic parts that could be introduced at any point in the component life cycle.

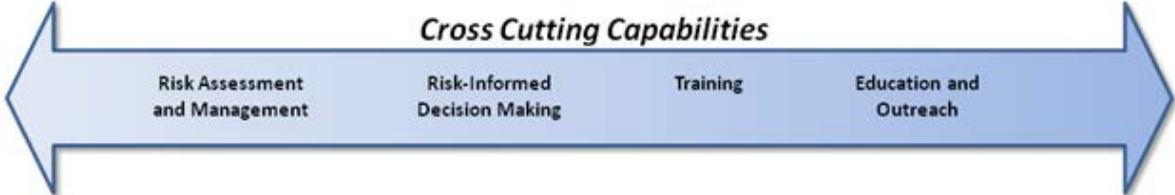
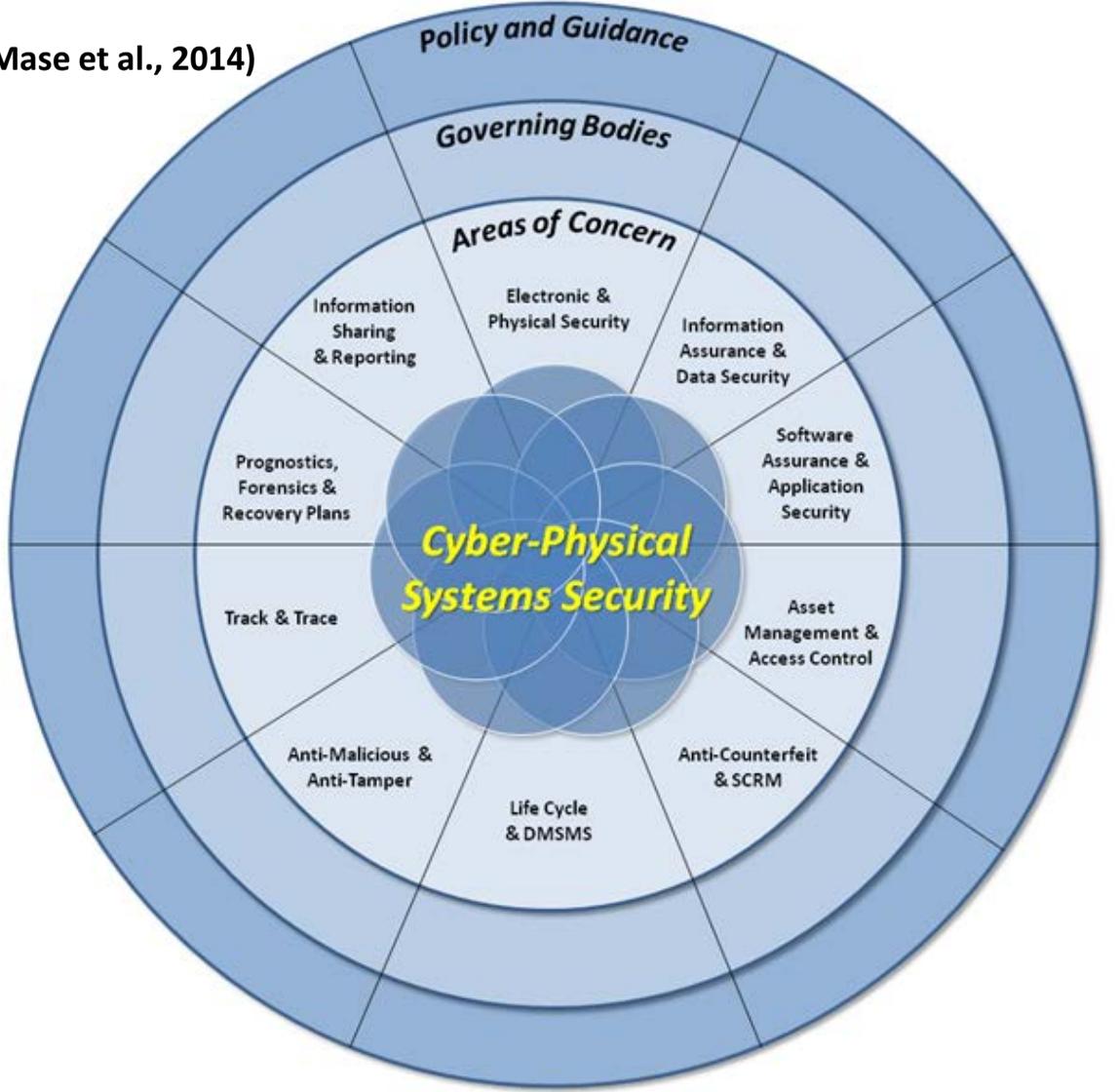
G-19A Efforts will be Limited to Electronics Piece Parts.

Tampered Subgroup will not Address Assemblies and Subsystems.

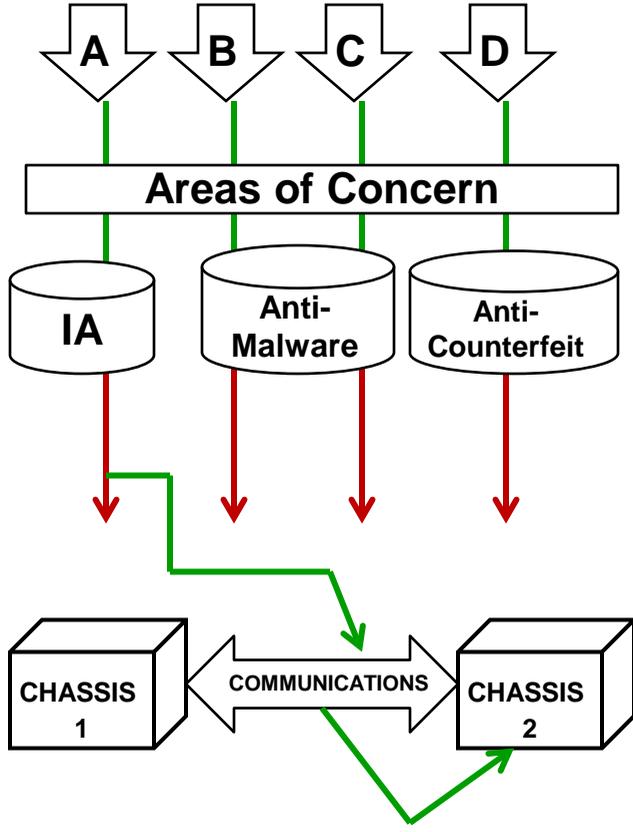
Assemblies & Subsystems

Systems Engineering Perspective (SEP) for CPS-Security

(DiMase et al., 2014)



Hardware Attack Vectors



Communications Unit has vulnerabilities permitting penetration in Chassis 2.

Challenges in Cyber Risk Assessment

Challenges:

- **Difficulty in quantification of Threat, Vulnerability, Impact & Consequence**
- **High uncertainty and variability associated with predicting emerging threats**
- **Disconnect between risk assessment and risk management**
- **Dynamic application of threats and attack strategy**

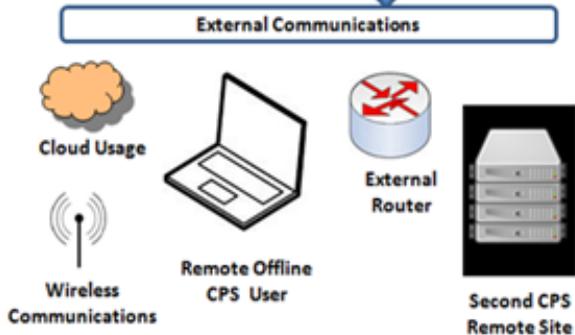
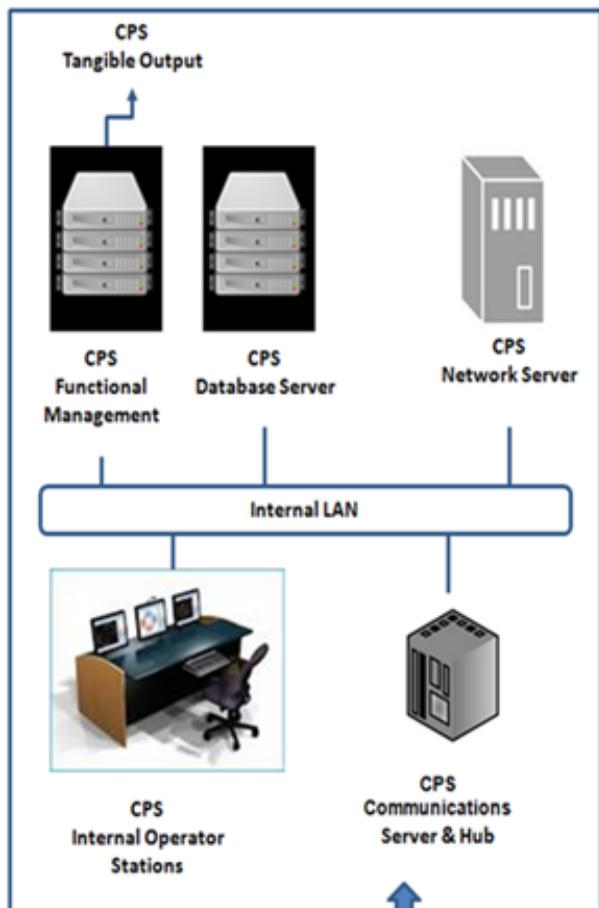
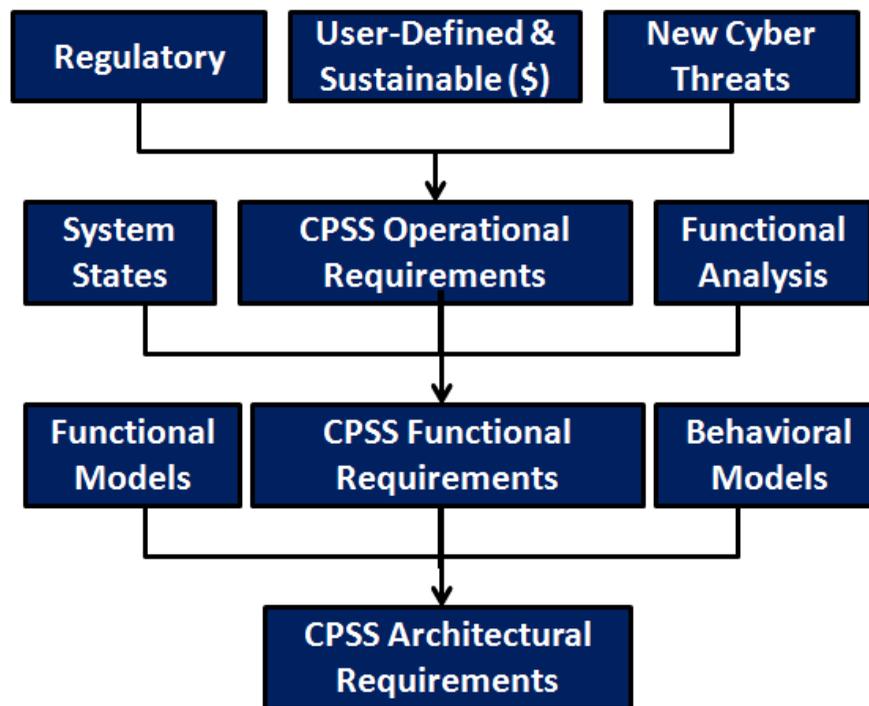
Perspective for improvement:

- **Semi-quantitative approach**
- **Evolve the guidance on actionable mitigation efforts**
- **Physical information and preferences/value for judgment by stakeholders**
- **Drive collaboration between areas of concern through integration of the Cyber Physical Security framework**

- The defense of an integrated, network-level CPS is a very large undertaking that is encumbered by the extensive threat environment.
- Today's solutions are *ad hoc* at best leaving gaps in the network.
- The SEP proposes a path through a formal systems engineering process.
 - Organizational Requirements
 - Functional Requirements
 - Architectural Requirements
- There is the need for measures of effectiveness for the SEP – based CPS-security design.

CPSS SEP Notional Electronics Security Perimeter

CPSS Systems Engineering Requirements Flowdown



CPSS Summary Assessment						
CPSS Systems Engineering Tiers	CRITICAL ASSETS AND COMMAND/CONTROL TARGETS					
	Weighting Factor	Critical Asset A	Critical Asset B	Critical Asset C	C&C Function A	C&C Function B
Operational Requirements	4	3	5	1	3	1
Functional Requirements	3	7	3	7	9	7
Architectural Requirements	5	1	7	3	5	7
Totals		11	15	11	17	15
Weighted Totals		38	64	40	64	60
Required Minimum Score		40	50	40	60	45
	Actual CPSS Score	Required Minimum CPSS Score				
Total Score	266	235				

(DiMase et al., 2014)

- **The systems engineering perspective (SEP) provides the concept of how to integrate and evaluate multiple areas of concern for Cyber Physical Security.**
- **The SEP serves as the framework for applying vulnerability analysis and resolutions to those ad-hoc attacks that find gaps in the traditionally stove-piped areas of concern.**
- **As we overlay the attack vectors, defense mechanisms and technologies that counter the attacks, we can:**
 - **Create roadmaps that can assess the current state of the art**
 - **Identify the gaps that introduce vulnerabilities that will help prioritize our resources**
 - **Build the future integrated state needed to address the issue**

Recommended Next Steps

- **Support and expedite (if possible) G-19A efforts to develop cost effective test methods capable of detecting defects associated with tampered parts. SAE group could use additional engineering SMEs.**
- **Support and expedite (if possible) G-19A efforts to establish and standardize methods for detecting the presence of malicious features in electronic parts that could be introduced at any point in the component life cycle.**
- **Support the development of an industry standard to codify the cyber physical systems security, systems engineering perspective and provide support as needed.**
- **Further research that include steps to enable systems resilience, with actions commensurate with risk.**
- **Other ?**

- **Semi-quantitative framework could be used to assess well-being of CPS Security with the help of a Systems Engineering Perspective (SEP).**
- **Lexicon of terms specific to Cyber Physical Security enables stakeholders to holistically assess the health status for all CPS areas of concern.**
- **The SEP could provide a roadmap to assess the current state of the art and identify the gaps that introduce vulnerabilities .**
- **The approach could assist in prioritizing resources in building resilient CPS- security designs.**