SYSTEM SCIENCE OF SECURITY AND RESILIENCE FOR CYBER-PHYSICAL SYSTEMS (SURE)

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SYSTEM SCIENCE OF SECURITY **AND RESILIENCE OF CPS Kev Ideas**





Impact

- Equip CPS designers and operators with foundations and theory-based comprehensive tools improve resilience against faults and intrusions
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OVERVIEW



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- Research Problems
- Project Thrusts
 - Risk Analysis and Incentive Design
 - Resilient Monitoring and Control
 - Decentralized Security
 - Formal Reasoning about Security
 - Evaluation using Modeling and Simulation Integration
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TEAM



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- Team with interdisciplinary activities in multiple areas:
 - CPS, critical infrastructure, embedded software, mobile/distributed computing
 - Security and resilience, incentive design, game theory fault diagnosis, control theory, model-integrated computing, multi-agent systems, secure machine learning
- Successful collaborative projects
 - NSF Foundations of Hybrid and Embedded Systems ITR (2003- 2010)
 - Command and Control Wind Tunnel PRET (2006 - 2009)
 - High-Confidence Design of Networked Embedded Control Systems MURI (2006 – 2011)
 - NSF STC TRUST (2005 2014)
 - NSF CPS Frontier FORCES (2013 2018)

RESILIENCE OF CPS



Attributes of Resilience

- Functional correctness (by design)
- Robustness to *reliability* failures (faults)
- Survivability against security failures (attacks)

Challenges to Resilience

- Spatio-temporal dynamics
- Many strategic interactions with network interdependencies
- Inherent uncertainties
- Tightly coupled control and economic incentives



SCADA SYSTEMS FOR WATER DISTRIBUTION



Avencq cross-regulator



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Regulatory control of canal pools

- Manipulate gate opening
- Control upstream water level
- Reject disturbances (offtake withdrawals)

SCADA components

- Level & velocity sensors
 - PLCs & gate actuators
- Wireless communication



Successful attack: Field operation test (Oct. 12, 009)

TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEMS









Well-managed and resilient traffic flows

ACHIEVING RESILIENCE



A System Function *can* be allocated to various (combinations of) providers: Applications / Processes / Components

Processes / Components *can be* allocated to various (combinations of) platform Nodes

When a Node / Link / Process / Component fails (compromised), functionality can be restored by an

- alternative allocation of *functions* to *providers*, or
- alternative allocation of providers to platform nodes

RESEARCH PROBLEMS



Risk Analysis and Incentive Design

- 1. How the collection of agents in CPS can deal with strategic adversaries?
- 2. How strategic agents contribute to CPS efficiency and safety, while protecting their conflicting individual objectives?

Resilient Monitoring and Control

- 1. What are the control architectures that can improve resilience against intrusions and faults?
- 2. What types of dynamics can provide inherent robustness against impacts of faults and cyber attacks?
- 3. What are the physics-based invariants that can be used as "ground truth" in intrusion detection?

Decentralized Security

1. How can we design systems that are resilient event when there is significant decentralization of resources and decisions?

Formal Reasoning about Security in CPS

1. How do formally and practically reason about secure computation and communication?

Integrative Research and Evaluation

- 1. How to integrate and evaluate cyber & physical platforms and resilient monitoring & control architectures?
- 2. How to interface and support human decision makers?



PROJECT THRUSTS

1. Hierarchical Coordination and Control

- 1. Risk analysis and incentive design that aim at developing regulations and strategies at the management level
- 2. Resilient monitoring and control of the networked control system infrastructure
- 2. Science of decentralized security which aims to develop a framework that will enable reasoning about the security of all the integrated constituent CPS components
- 3. Reliable and practical reasoning about secure computation and communication in networks which aims to contribute a formal framework for reasoning about security in CPS
- 4. Evaluation and experimentation using modeling and simulation integration of cyber and physical platforms that directly interface with human decision makers.
- 5. Education and outreach





RISK ANALYSIS AND INCENTIVE DESIGN



- 1. Game Theory: How to model and solve large-scale network games that a) model both security (malicious attacks) and reliability (random faults) failures, b) account for the presence of dynamics and information incompleteness?
- 2. Theory of incentives: How to design and solve stochastic control and incentive-theoretic schemes, coupled with the outcome of the network games (mentioned above)?

A problem of incentives: Due to the presence of network-induced interdependencies, the individual optimal (Nash) security allocations are suboptimal

Goal: Develop mechanisms to reduce CPS incentive sub-optimality

Two-stage game of M plant-controller systems



Theorem [Increasing incentive case]



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[Amin and Sastry]

RESILIENT MONITORING

- 1. How to to detect faults and attacks, which may degrade system performance, cause instability, and affect system operation and mission?
- 2. How to design resilient monitoring protocols that are robust to both random faults and adversarial attacks?
- 3. How to place and select sensors to improve resilience?



Resilient Fault Diagnosis for Flow Networks

[Amin and Koutsoukos]





Resilient Distributed Consensus

ADVERSARIAL MACHINE LEARNING: RESOURCE AWARE LARGE-SCALE MALWARE CLASSIFICATION



- How to acquire labeled (ground truth) data for evaluation?
- How to achieve very high accuracy (low false positive and low false negative rates) and transparency?
- How to reduce human and machine workloads while retaining very high accuracy?
- How to explore these problems in a scientifically repeatable and valid environment?

SALT: Secure Active Learning Testbed



[Joseph]

RESILIENT CONTROL



Resilient network (supervisory) and local (regulatory) control: How to design practical control algorithms, which improve the survivability of CPS against network-level attacks and/or faults?



Manager's objective: Min social discomfort + inefficiencies

Zone's objective: Min individual discomfort + energy bill

Goal: Incentivize security via monitoring and control



SENSOR/CONTROL NETWORK PLATFORM



Challenge: How to design and analyze system architectures that deliver required service in the face of compromised components?

Concept: Apply principles and techniques from run-time fault management to managing cyber effects





[Karsai]

DECENTRALIZED SECURITY

How can we design systems that are resilient even when there is significant decentralization of resources and decisions?

- Defenders "jointly" own CPS (e.g., electric power grid; railway systems; transportation)
- Attacker chooses where to attack to cause the most damage (e.g., maximum disruption)
- Attacker responds to defensive measures (resilient control strategies; intrusion detection/prevention measures)

How do defenders who are primarily concerned about the portion of CPS they own choose their security measures? Depends on the level of decentralization and the degree of system interdependence

[Vorobeychik]





MODELING AND PROVING SECURITY IN NETWORKS



APPROACH



PROBLEM

High assurance for Cyber Physical Systems
Network computation with physical interface

BACKGROUND



- Hybrid systems, Petri nets
- Protocol Derivation Logic, Strand spaces



Actor networks: fibered state machines
Network computation: partially ordered multisets (pomsets)



- <u>
 Procedure</u> Derivation Logic
- Authentication templates extended to capture physical and social channels

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[Pavlovic]

EVALUATION USING MODELING AND SIMULATION INTEGRATION

- Validation of basic research
 - Scenario-based experimentation
- Collaboration
 - Research thrusts and projects
 - Integration: Tools and languages
- Motivation
 - Red team vs Blue team scenarios and challenges
- Outreach
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EDUCATION AND OUTREACH



- Classes
 - S. Amin, 1.208 Resilient Infrastructure Networks, MIT, Fall 2014
 - X. Koutsoukos, CS 396 Security of CPS, Vanderbilt, Spring 2015.
- Online Modules
- Workshops/Conferences
 - How to Engineer Resilient Cyber-Physical Infrastructures, IEEE CDC 2014 [Amin]
 - Big Data Analytics for Societal Scale CPS: Energy Systems, IEEE CDC 2014 [Sastry]
 - Secure and Resilient Infrastructure CPS (HiCoNS) track, ICCPS 2015 [Koutsoukos]
- Evaluation and Experimentation Testbed
- SOS-VO



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DISTRIBUTED PARAMETER ESTIMATION





 All sensors measure independently some physical phenomenon with some error due to noise

 $y_i = \theta + v_i, v_i \sim N(0, \sigma_i^2), i = 1, 2, ..., n$

- The sensors improve their estimate by averaging the measurements
- Minimum variance estimate

$$\hat{\theta}_{MV} = \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2} y_i}{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}}$$

 It can be asymptotically computed in a distributed fashion using two average consensus algorithms in parallel

RESILIENT CONSENSUS IN THE PRESENCE OF ADVERSARIES



(3,2)-robust graph: resilient consensus in the presence of 1 adversary



$$x_i(k+1) = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{R}_i(k)} w_{ij} x_j(k)$$

Adversarial Consensus Protocol

Adversary models

- Threat
- Scope

Robust network topologies

Local redundancy

Resilience requires high degree of redundancy

Can we relax the redundancy requirements?

RESILIENT CONSENSUS WITH TRUSTED NODES (RCP-T)



Each normal node updates its value according to the following update rule

$$x_i(k+1) = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{R}_i(k)} w_{ij} \ x_j(k)$$

What is $\mathcal{R}_i(k)$?

• if node *i* is not connected to any trusted node

(F is the total number of attacks that can happen within the network)



RESILIENT CONSENSUS WITH TRUSTED NODES



Under RCP-T, consensus is always achieved in the presence of *arbitrary number of adversaries* iff there exists a set of trusted nodes that form a **connected dominating set**

Under RCP-T

- Any number of attacks can be handled
- Sparse networks can be made resilient

Dominating Set:

$$D \subseteq V$$
, s.t. $\bigcup_{v \in D} \mathcal{N}[v_i] = V$



Connected Dominating Set:

Nodes in the dominating set induce a connected subgraph





Example 1: (Tree – Sparse network)



RCP-T



Example 2: (2,2) Robust graph



RCP-T



FAULT DIAGNOSIS IN FLOW NETWORKS

Objective: For a given flow network, the goal is to distribute the minimum number of sensors that can

- I. Detect a link failure
- 2. Localize a link failure (uniquely identify a link failure)

Approach: Sensor network design for the detection and identification of faults

Methods: System (flow network, faults, sensor) model, combinatorial optimization

Performance evaluation: Resilience to random sensor faults and adversarial attacks

sensor **Resilient fault diagnosis** Design Operation Detection Identification our focus (localization) Response

SYSTEM MODEL





FLOW NETWORK MODEL





Flow model over the graph G: f = f(Q,H,G)

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Q = flows over network links
H = heads over network nodes
       p = pressure
       z = elevation
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EVIDENCE (DISTURBANCE) MODEL





- Event model is comprised of a link failure and its impact
 - Pipe failure (random or induced) and the pressure transient generated.
 - Physically flushing an hydrant causing massive loss of water, increased load on the system and corresponding pressure losses.
 - Remotely closing or opening active elements (pumps, valves) that can cause severe transients in the systems.
- The signal propagates in all directions from the site of failure along the links of the network.





Along with the network topology, the **physical model** defined over the graph also affects the event model

SENSING MODEL





- Sensors are placed at the nodes.
- A sensor can detect the pressure signal from any direction.
- An alarm is raised when a sensor detects a signal.

First-order model:



All sensors at the nodes adjacent to the end nodes of failed link will detect the fault.



A sensor can detect a fault if and only if fault occurs at a link that lies within the distance R from the failure along the links.

INFLUENCE MODEL



- Network flow, event, and sensor model outputs are represented using an **influence matrix** *M*.
- ℓ_i i^{th} row corresponds to the event i.
- $\boldsymbol{\theta}_j$ j^{th} column corresponds to the j^{th} sensor.
- M_{ij} j^{th} sensor output in response to the event i.

Example: M is boolean matrix.



DETECTION AND LOCALIZATION



Detection

Find the minimum number of sensors and their locations so that every link failure can be detected by at least one sensor.

Event set: $\{\ell_1, \ell_2, \cdots, \ell_m\}$

Sensor set: $\{\theta_1, \theta_2, \cdots, \theta_n\}$

Detection set: C_i = Set of links whose failure is detected by the sensor *i*.

> Minimum set cover problem

Localization

Find the minimum number of sensors and their locations so that every link failure can be uniquely identified and can be distinguished from any other link failure.

Event set: $\{\ell_1, \ell_2, \cdots, \ell_m\}$

Sensor set: $\{\theta_1, \theta_2, \cdots, \theta_n\}$

Identification set

Minimum test cover problem



EXAMPLE



- Consider a 10 by 10 grid network consisting of 100 nodes and 180 links.
- Influence matrix is obtained using the first order influence model.



FUTURE WORK



- Incorporate network topology and influence model to design efficient (scalable, improved approximation ratios) algorithms for detection and localization
- Characterize detection and localization of link failures as a function of number of sensors deployed (e.g., submodularity)
- To make the system resilient against these compromises, we might need to include redundancy (more sensors than required)
- How can we design a sensor networks for resilient localization and identification?
- How the detection & localization of link failures are dependent on the influence model and network topologies?
- For a given influence model, what are the (structural) constraints on the network topology such that *every* link failure can be detected, localized, in a resilient manner?
- Generalizations
 - Associating a probability distribution to the link failures.
 - Detecting (localizing) k > 1 simultaneous link failures.
 - Incorporating more generalized sensing and influence model.



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MODELING AND SIMULATION INTEGRATION





SCENARIO-BASED EXPERIMENTATION



Red Team vs Blue Team

- Pre-defined infrastructure model (transportation, IT ... domains)
- Domain specific attack models, libraries, algorithms
- Red Team: design and deploy attacks
- Blue Team: design and deploy security and fail-over measures

budget constraints

- Cloud-based simulation tools configured and run w/o realtime user interactions
- Scoring, leaderboard

WEBGME



Meta-programmable collaborative on-line modeling environment

- Scalable (number of contributors, size of models)
- Modern web-application framework
- Collaboration
 - Immediate feedback
 - Branch and merge
- Version management (git model)
- Clean and unified meta/DSML concepts
- Extensible, customizable GUI
- Cloud-based tool integration
- Live: <u>http://webgme.org</u>







MULTI-MODEL INTEGRATION CHALLENGES

Integrating *models*

Heterogeneous models for different domains: human organizations, communication networks, C2 software systems, vehicle simulations, etc. These models need to talk to each-other somehow.

Needed: an overarching *integration model* that connects and relates these heterogeneous domain models in a logically coherent framework.

Integrating the system

Heterogeneous simulators and emulators for different domains: Colored Petri Nets, OMNET++, DEVS, Simulink/ Stateflow, Delta3D, etc.

Needed: an underlying *software infrastructure* that **connects** and **relates** the heterogeneous simulators in a logically and temporally coherent framework.

Key idea: Integration is about messages and shared data across system components. Why don't we model these messages and shared data elements and use these models to facilitate model and system integration?



C2 WINDTUNNEL





SMARTAMERICA CHALLENGE





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