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Model-Based Cybersecurity at the Enterprise and Systems Level

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Introduction to the Authors

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Agenda

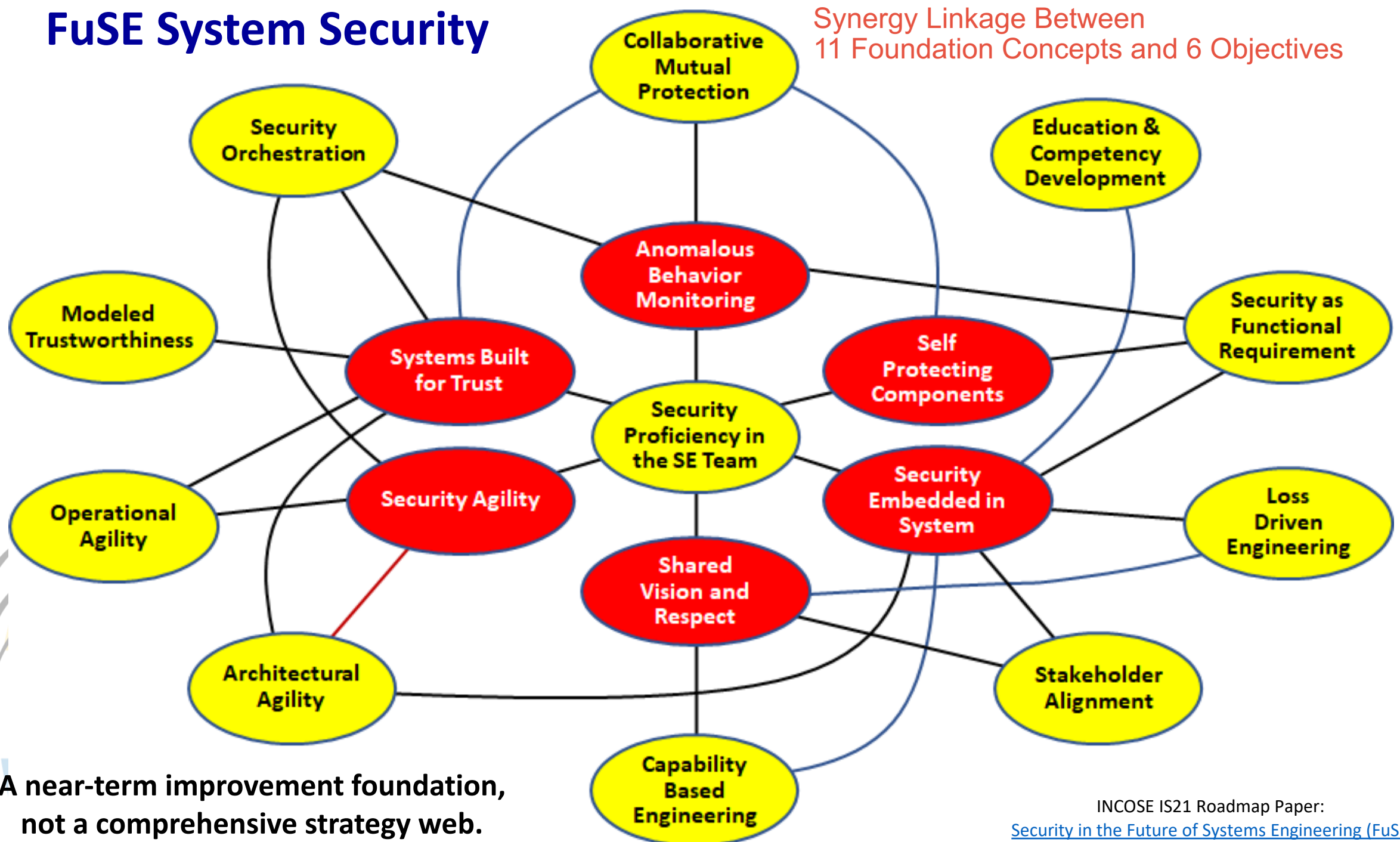
- Introduce main ideas
- Why model cybersecurity?
- Common drawbacks and pitfalls of current cybersecurity modeling
- Brief introduction to UAF
- Main benefits of utilizing UAF
- The importance of capability-based engineering
- Cybersecurity in the digital thread
- Conclusion
- Q/A

Main Ideas

- Using MBSE to model cybersecurity of IT systems helps to provide clearer and more effective solutions to the most common problems faced by cybersecurity and IT professionals
- Capability-based engineering ensures desired outcomes are met
- When modeling IT Systems and their security, UAF provides clear benefits
 - The ability to treat cybersecurity as an enterprise
 - The systems of systems view can be used to model both cybersecurity *within* IT systems and the cyber systems themselves
 - The specialized security viewpoints

FuSE System Security

Synergy Linkage Between
11 Foundation Concepts and 6 Objectives



A near-term improvement foundation,
not a comprehensive strategy web.

Why do we need to model Cybersecurity?

- Cybersecurity is both very complex and misunderstood, even among those in tech
- The decision makers for cybersecurity are often not the subject matter experts
- Even cybersecurity experts don't always speak the same "language"
- Utilizing a common language which is accessible to both SMEs and decision makers leads to better outcomes
- Helps overcome the issues of "problemeering" and "solutioneering" and drives towards capability-based engineering

Common pitfalls when modeling cybersecurity

- Implementation based approach
 - Often overly idealistic
- Functional based approach
 - Specific actions and services are laid out, no connection to the real world
- Both too often sequester and isolate security
- Solutioneering”
 - Make the predefined solution fit the requirements
- “Problemeering”
 - Concentration on the requirements without recognizing true need.
 - What customers want is not often what they need
 - Henry Ford vs. Steve Jobs
 - Faster horses and anticipating customer needs

Unified Architecture Framework (UAF)

- The UAF is an implementation of DoDAF, MODAF, NAF, and DNDAAF frameworks in SysML with additional security views.
- The UAF is used for architecting enterprises, systems of systems, family of systems, and individual systems
- It is focused on the scope, needs, strategy, expectations, stakeholders, and long-term plans
- It is built on SysML, so has built-in traceability to system development in SysML.
- Not ***just*** defense focused, but applicable to commercial as well

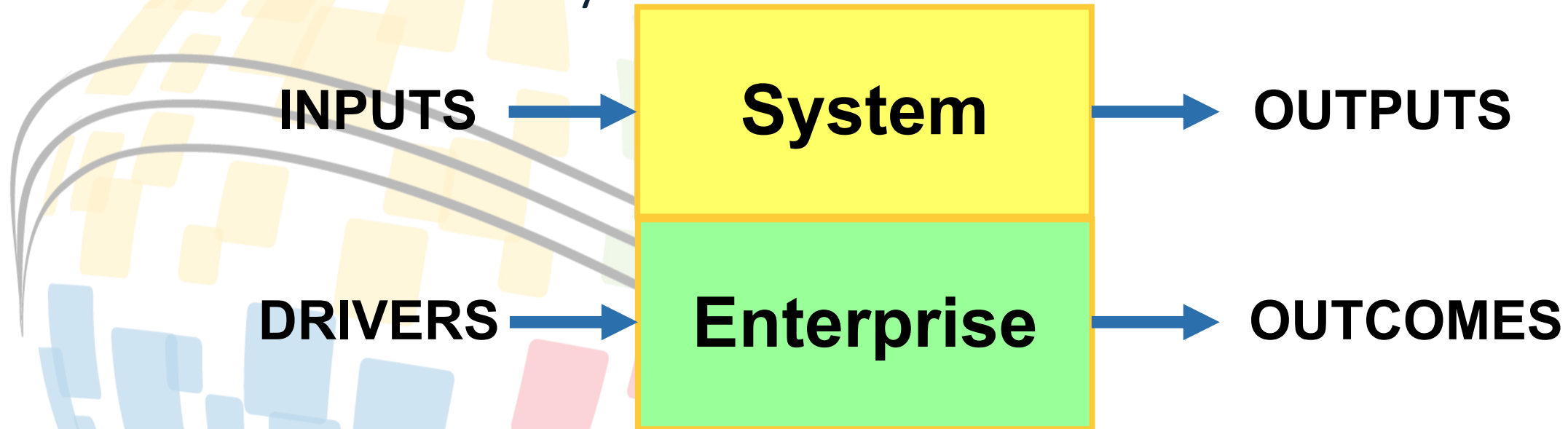
Great for organizations to figure out what they are doing and why.

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Benefits of Utilizing UAF

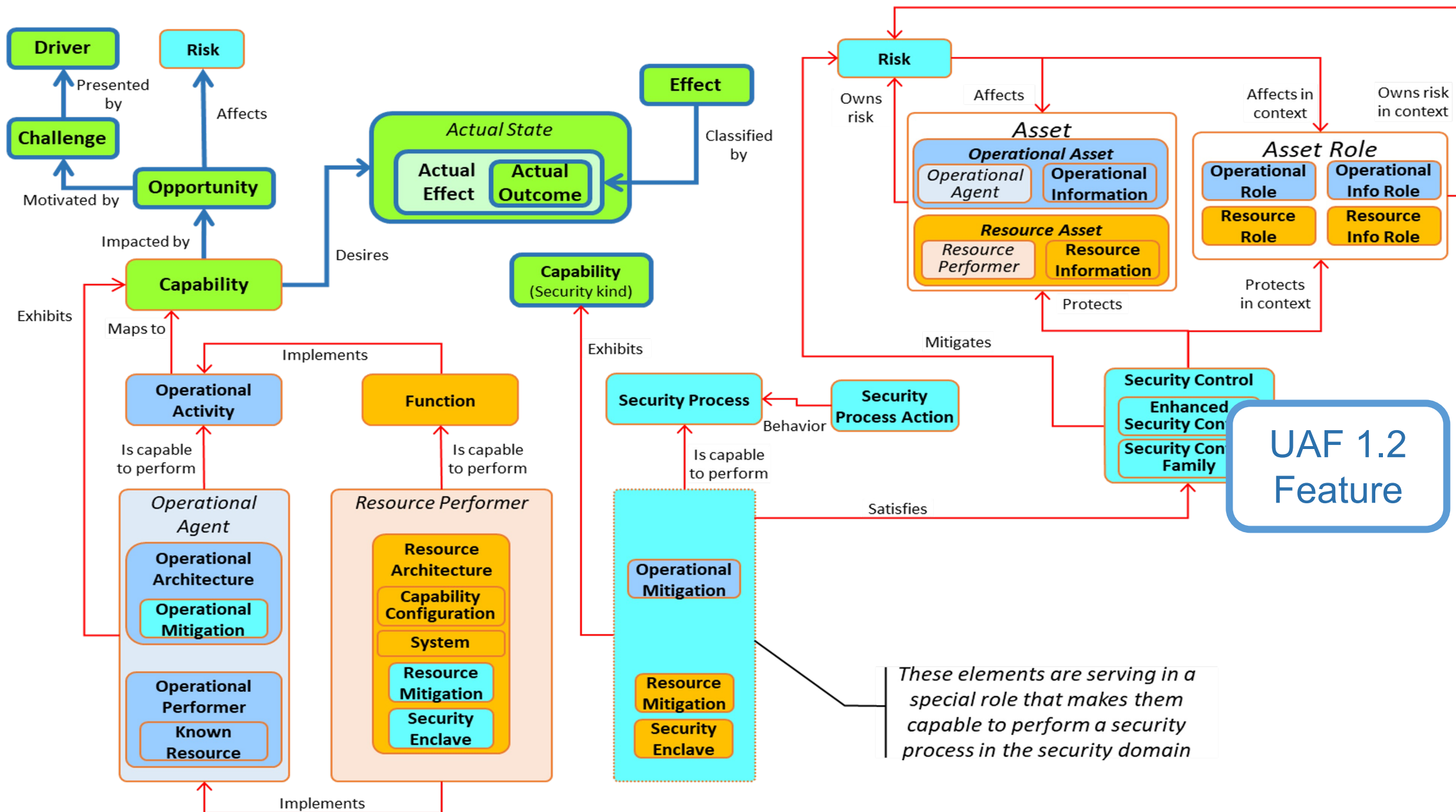
Benefit #1 - Security as an Enterprise

- Cyber is too often treated as a system part
- The solution? Think of it as an enterprise
 - “a human undertaking or venture that has explicit and clearly defined mission, goals, and objectives to offer products or service, or to achieve a desired project outcome or business outcome” (ISO 15704).
- UAF is specifically designed to help model these enterprises
 - Allows the ability to model across time



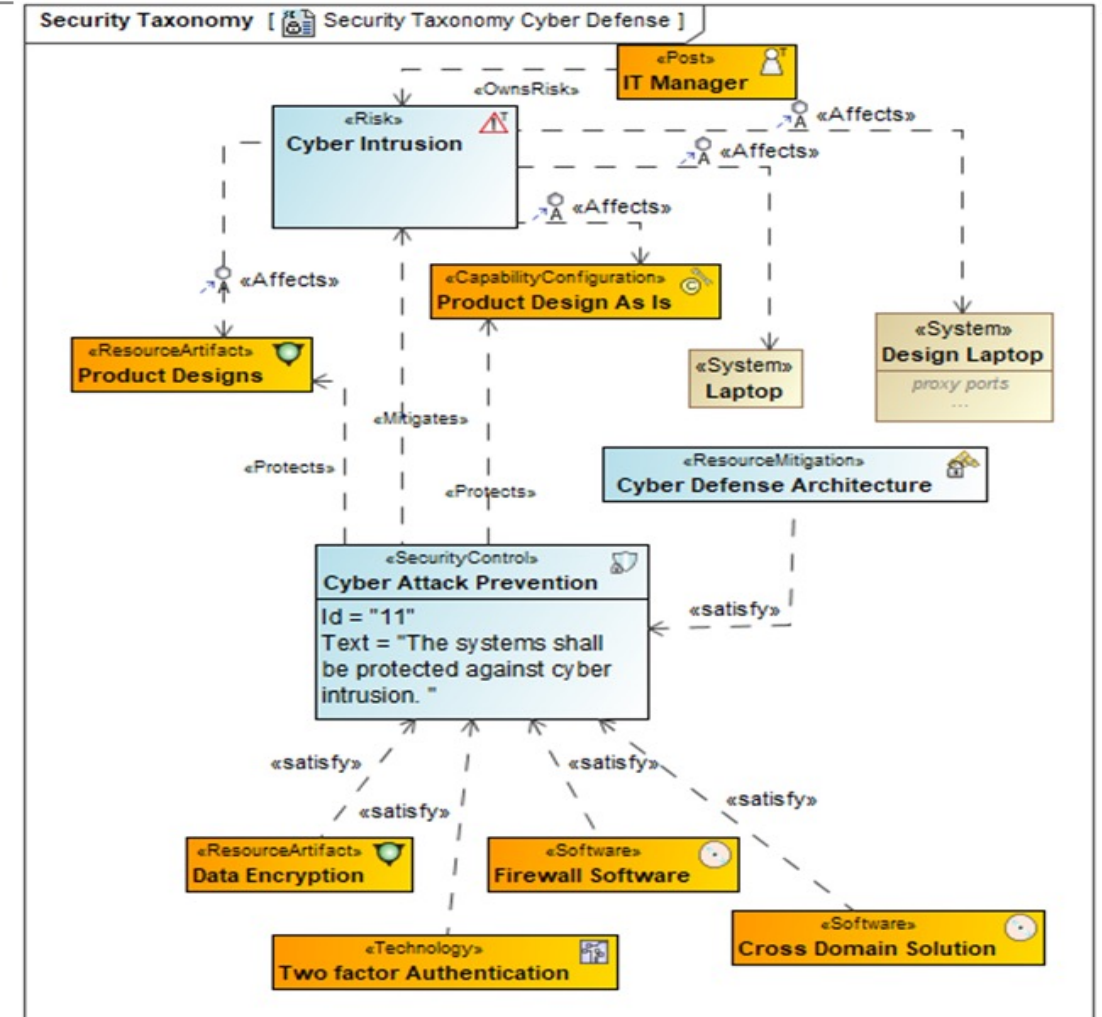
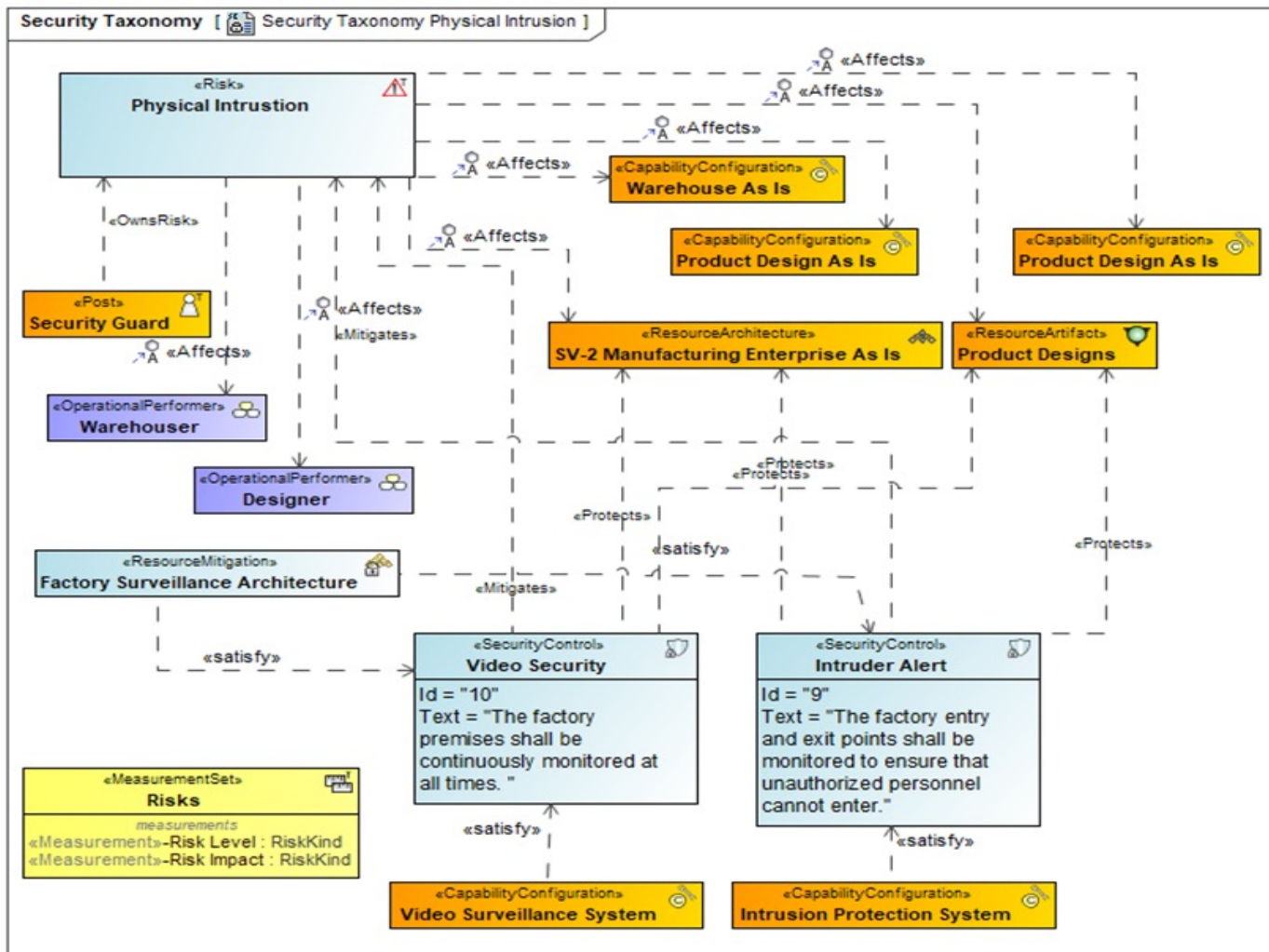
Benefit #2 – Security as a System of Systems

- Most IT systems are a patchwork of smaller technologies and systems
 - The average IT department utilizes an average of 75 products just to secure their network (CSO Online)
- UAF is perfectly designed to help capture these quirks
- Modeling interactions and relationships between these systems is quite literally what UAF was built to do



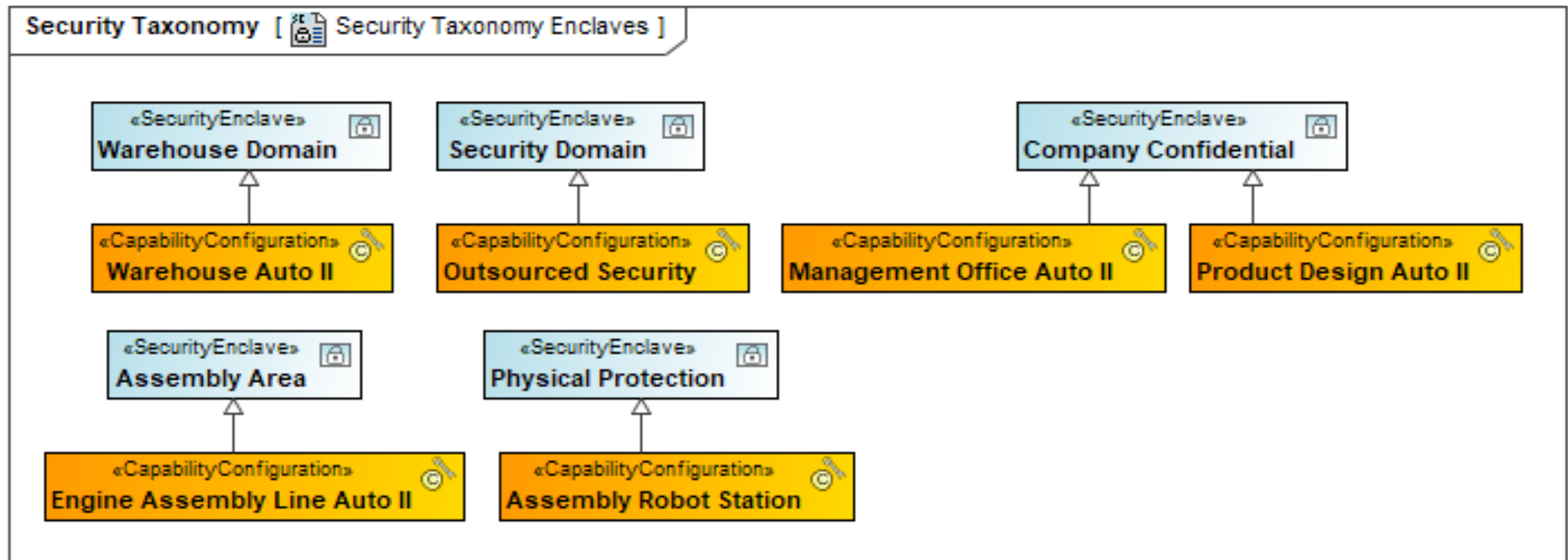
Risks, Mitigations and Controls

- Physical and Cyber risks are identified along with applicable security controls, modeled as requirements
- Mitigations and owners identified and risks are further quantified.



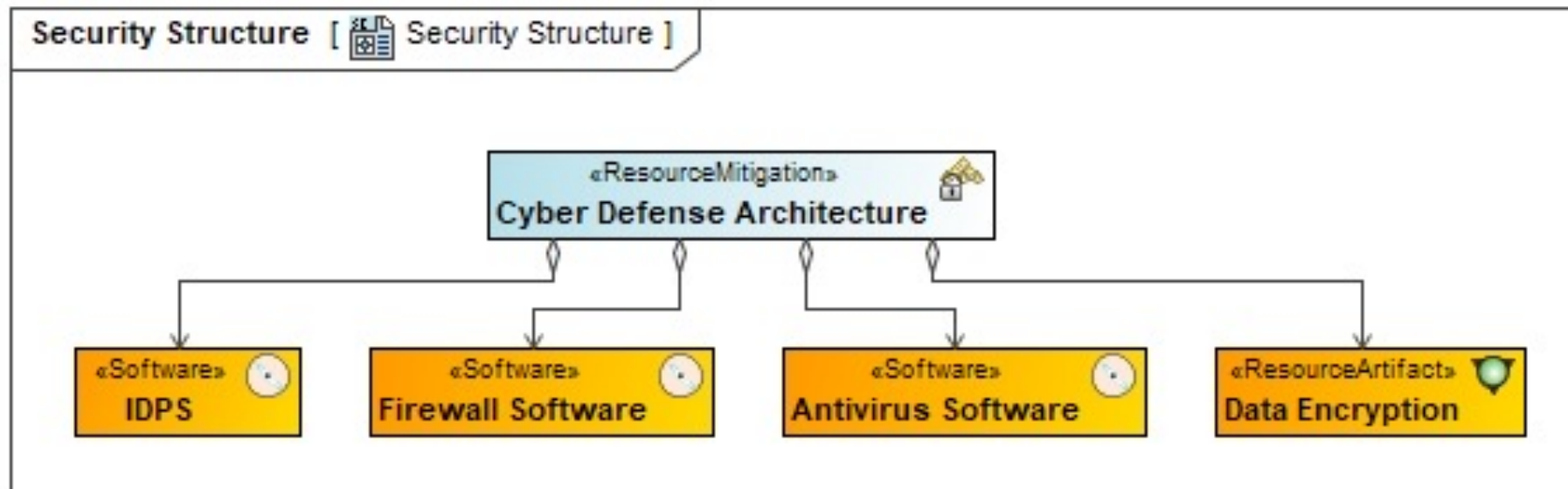
Security Enclave Defined

- Security enclaves are identified for the defined systems and physical areas
- Defined enclaves can combine all three security capabilities if required
 - The assembly area will need physical, IT and personnel safety
 - Security control implementations defined earlier are owned by the enclave and inherited by the systems
 - Common response to common problems and risks



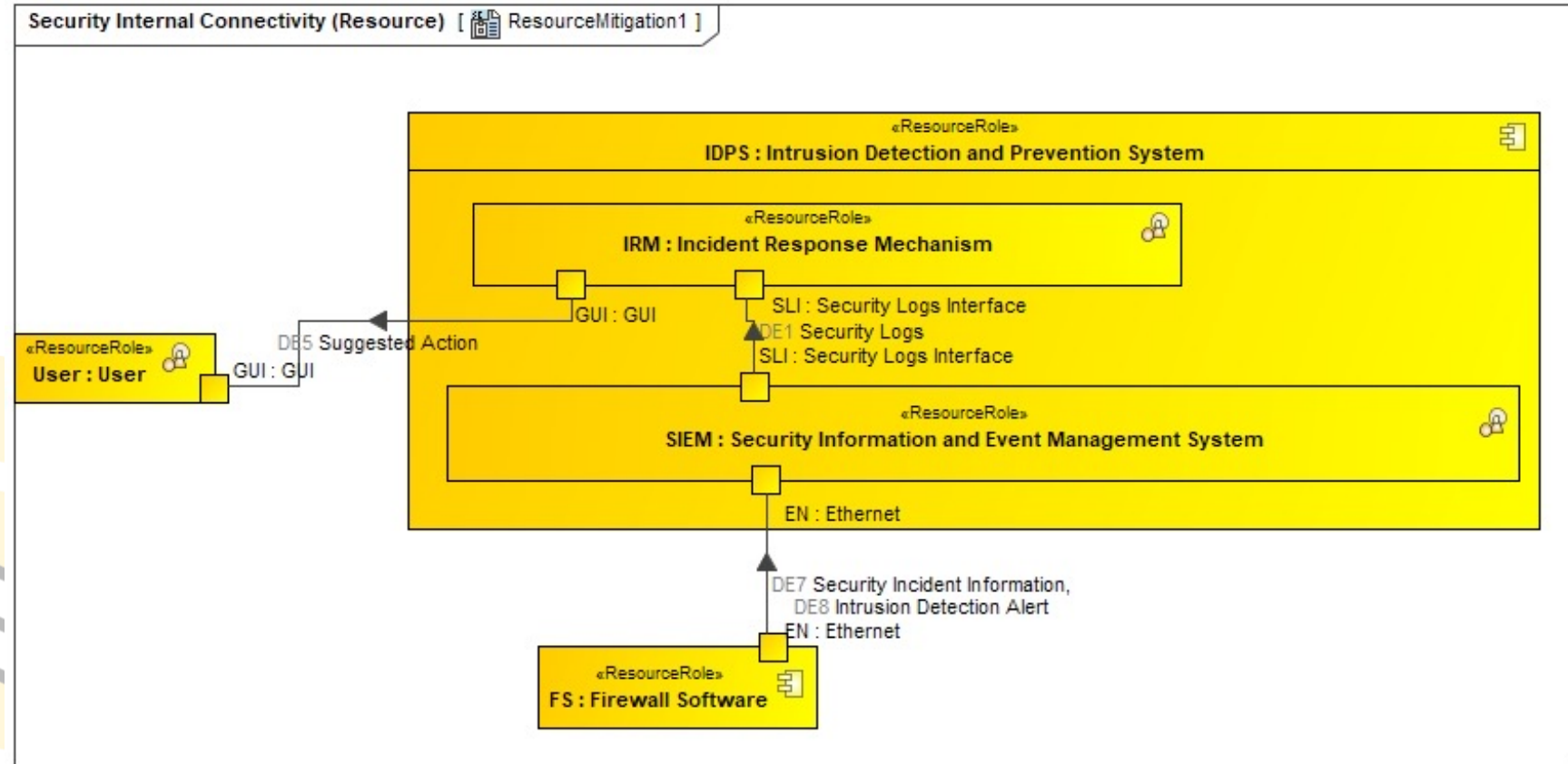
UAF Security Viewpoint – Security Structure

- Having defined the risks, we create a breakdown of the cyber defense architecture, allowing us to logically group the systems contained within the IT infrastructure to mitigate the risk



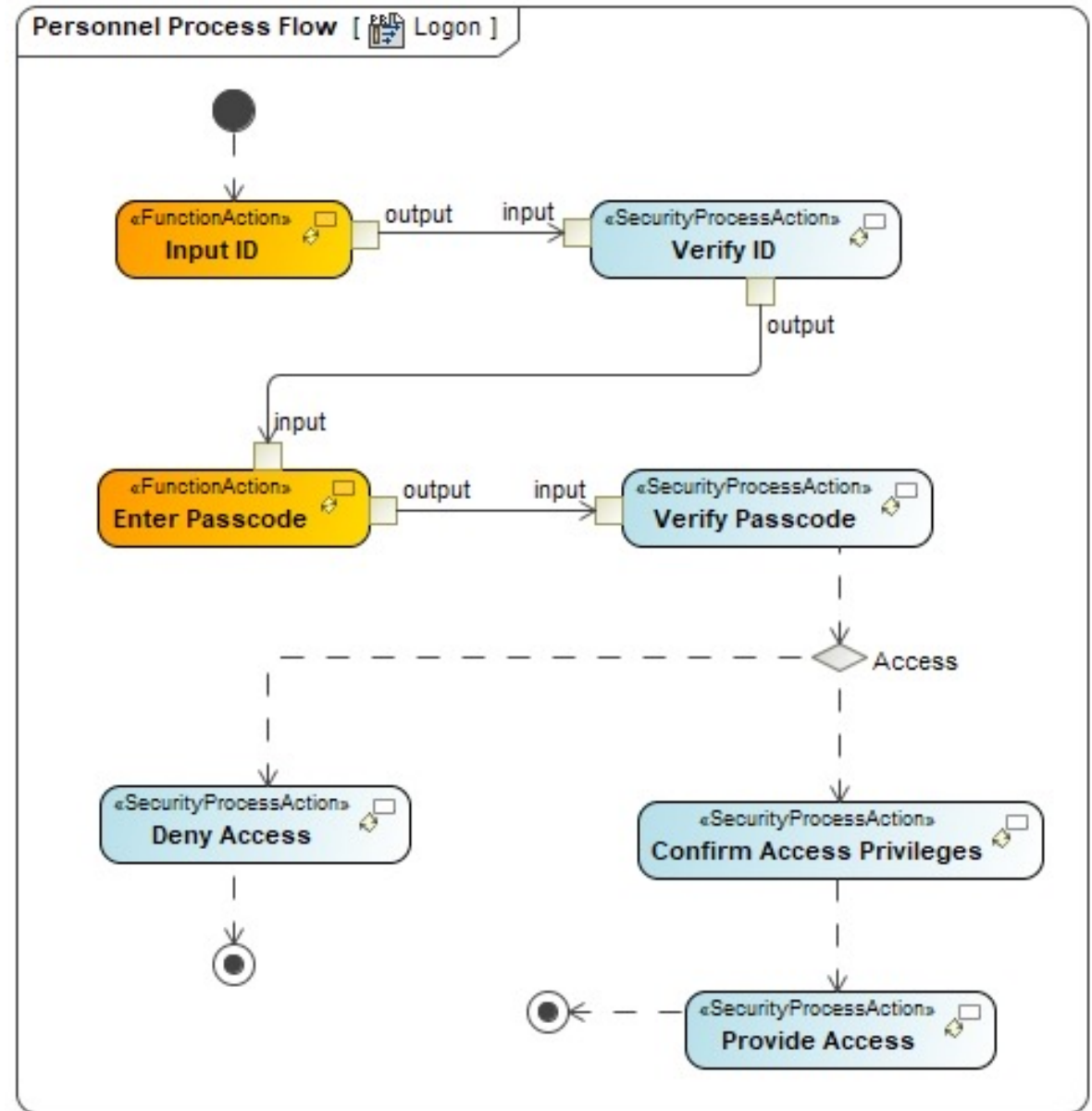
UAF Security Viewpoint – Security Internal Connectivity

- The aforementioned 75 technologies that are included within the average IT system are often implemented without regard to how they interact.
- By modeling these systems, we ensure that the interfaces, communications, and interactions between these systems are possible and achieve their desired effects



UAF Security Viewpoint – Security Processes

- Implements security as a functional requirement (FuSE)
- This diagram provides a gray-box view by showing how a user will interact with the security elements
- The processes are implemented by the previously defined systems





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Benefit #4 UAF is Mandated



Defense Information
Standards Registry
(**DISR**) record

Standard Reference Number	Standard Identifier	Standard Title	Standard Class	DoD Status
301131	OMG UPDM v2.1	Unified Profile for the Department of Defense Architecture Framework (DoDAF) and the Ministry of Defence Architecture Framework (MODAF), Version 2.1, formal/2013-08-04	DISR	Retired
302737	OMG UAFP v1.0	Unified Architecture Framework Profile (UAFP) v1.0, OMG formal/2017-12-01, November 2017 including all normative appendices.	DISR	Emerging

Mandated
November
10, 2021

Benefit #5 UAF Implements Industry Best Practices

Cameo Enterprise Architecture 19.0 - NIST SP 800-53r5 Security Controls.mdzip [C:\Users\MatthewHause\Downloads\]

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Preview: - no preview - Full Model Perspective: UAF Architect Create Diagram

Containment Diagrams

Containment

Model «ModelLibrary»

- Security
 - Security Taxonomy
 - AC - Access Control
 - AC Enhancements
 - Relations
 - AC Enhancements Table

Access Control Decisions | No User or Process Identity

Access Control Decisions | Transmit Access Authorization

Access Control for Mobile Devices | Full Device or Controlled Access

Access Control for Mobile Devices | Restrictions for Controlled Access

Access Enforcement | Assert and Enforce Application Access

Access Enforcement | Attribute-based Access Control

Access Enforcement | Audited Override of Access Control Mechanisms

Access Enforcement | Controlled Release «Enhanced Security Control

Access Enforcement | Discretionary Access Control «Enhanced Security Control

Access Enforcement | Discretionary and Mandatory Access Control «Enhanced Security Control

Access Enforcement | Dual Authorization «Enhanced Security Control

Access Enforcement | Individual Access «Enhanced Security Control

Access Enforcement | Mandatory Access Control «Enhanced Security Control

Access Enforcement | Restrict Access to Specific Information

Access Enforcement | Revocation of Access Authorization

Access Enforcement | Role-based Access Control «Enhanced Security Control

Access Enforcement | Security-relevant Information

Account Management | Account Monitoring for Atypical Usage

Account Management | Automated Audit Actions «Enhanced Security Control

Account Management | Automated System Account Management

Account Management | Automated Temporary and Emergency Account Management

Account Management | Disable Accounts

Account Management | Disable Accounts for High-risk Individuals

Account Management | Dynamic Account Management

Account Management | Dynamic Privilege Management

Account Management | Inactivity Logout

Account Management | Privileged User Accounts

Account Management | Restrictions on Use of Shared and Group Accounts

Account Management | Usage Conditions

Access Enforcement | Assert and Enforce Application Access

Access Enforcement | Attribute-based Access Control

Access Enforcement | Audited Override of Access Control Mechanisms

Access Enforcement | Controlled Release

Access Enforcement | Discretionary Access Control

Access Enforcement | Discretionary and Mandatory Access Control

Access Enforcement | Dual Authorization

Access Enforcement | Security-relevant Information

Access Enforcement | Role-based Access Control

Security Controls Table

Criteria

Element Type: Security Control, Security Control Framework Scope (optional): Security Taxonomy Filter:

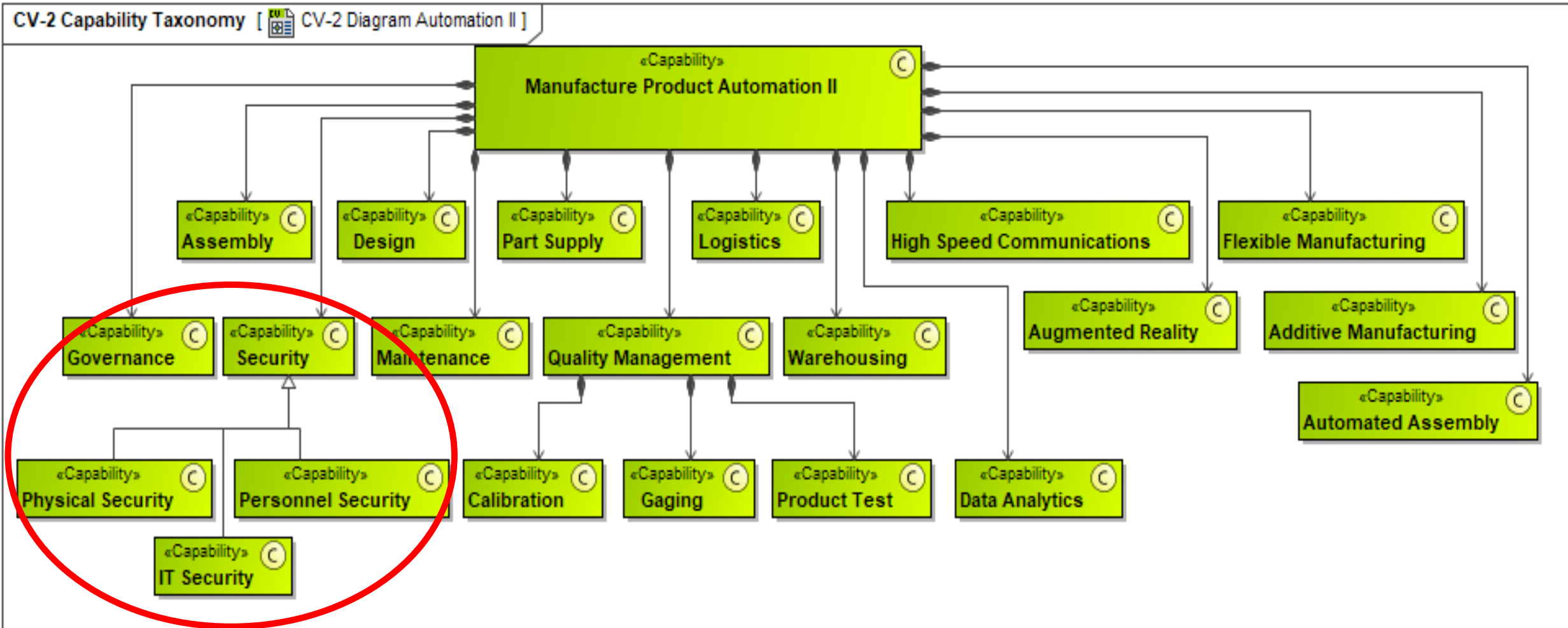
#	Id	Name	Enhanced Security Control
1		AC - Access Control	
2	AC	AC - Access Control	
3	AC-1	Access Control Policy and Procedures	
4	AC-2	Account Management	Account Management Account Monitoring for Atypical Usage Account Management Automated Audit Actions Account Management Automated System Account Management Account Management Automated Temporary and Emergency Account Management Account Management Disable Accounts Account Management Disable Accounts for High-risk Individuals Account Management Dynamic Account Management Account Management Dynamic Privilege Management Account Management Inactivity Logout Account Management Privileged User Accounts Account Management Restrictions on Use of Shared and Group Accounts Account Management Usage Conditions
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Capability Based Engineering


Factory Capability Taxonomy

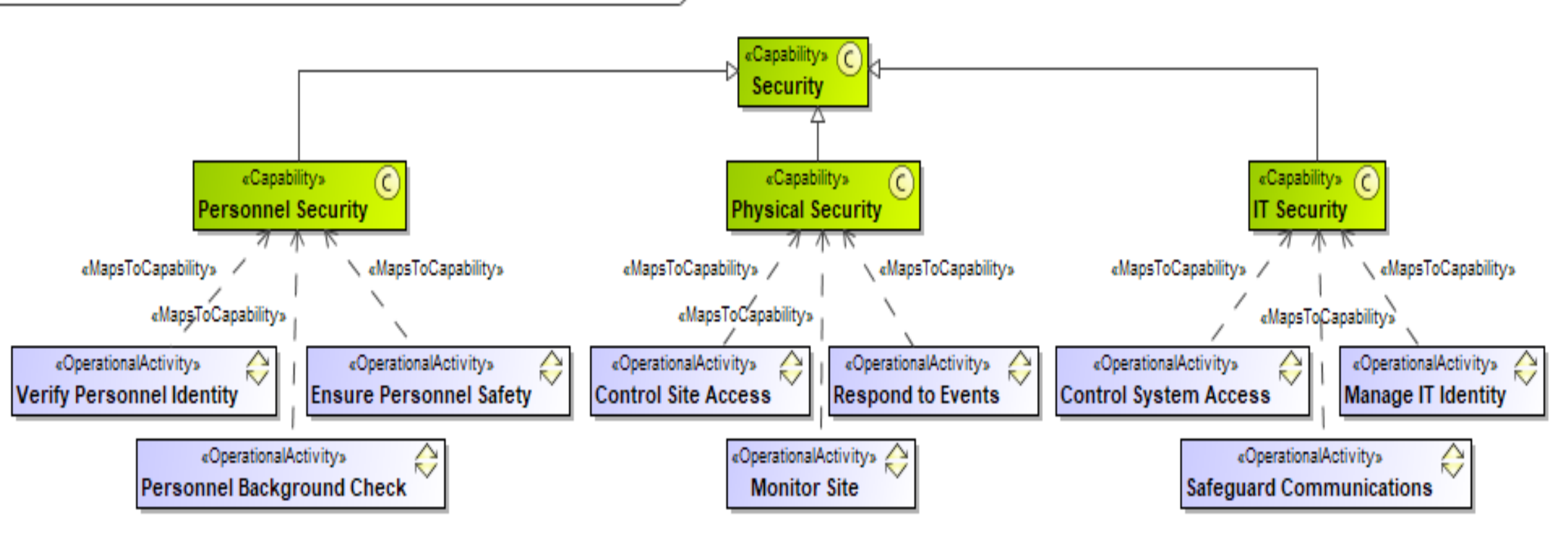
- Automotive enterprise has multiple capabilities
- Security has Physical Security, Personnel Security and IT Security



Operational Activities

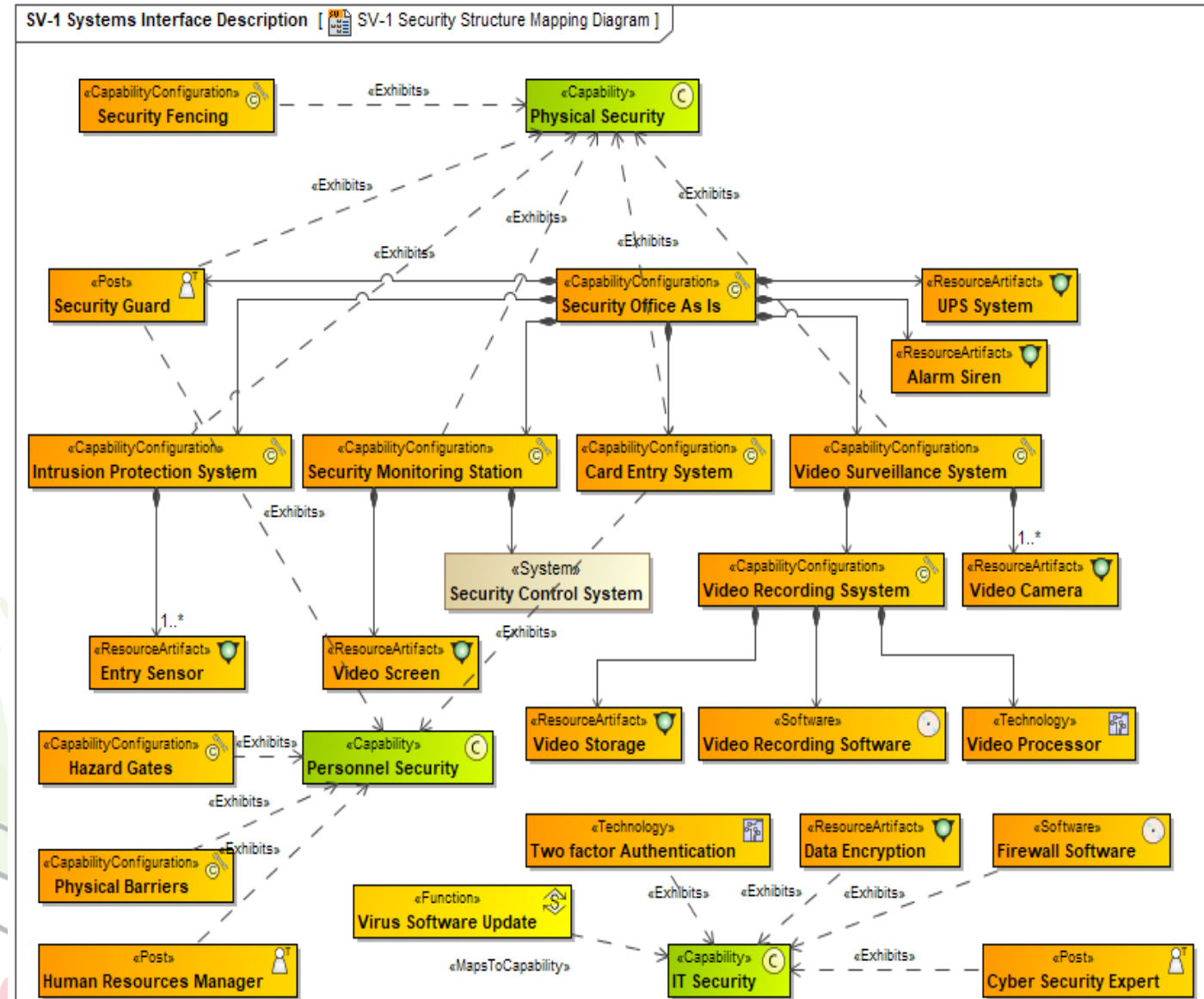
- Operational activities solution independent describe business used to elaborate capabilities
- These are further described as detailed activity diagrams.
- Structural elements are then mapped to these

OV-5a Operational Activity Decomposition Tree [ OV-5a Diagram Security]



Capabilities and the System and Security Architecture

- Capabilities are then mapped to solution elements
 - Systems, software, technology, personnel
 - Security behavior is defined
 - Security systems are integrated into the solution architecture.
- Requirements are traced to the model elements to ensure a complete solution
- Additional derived requirements are created





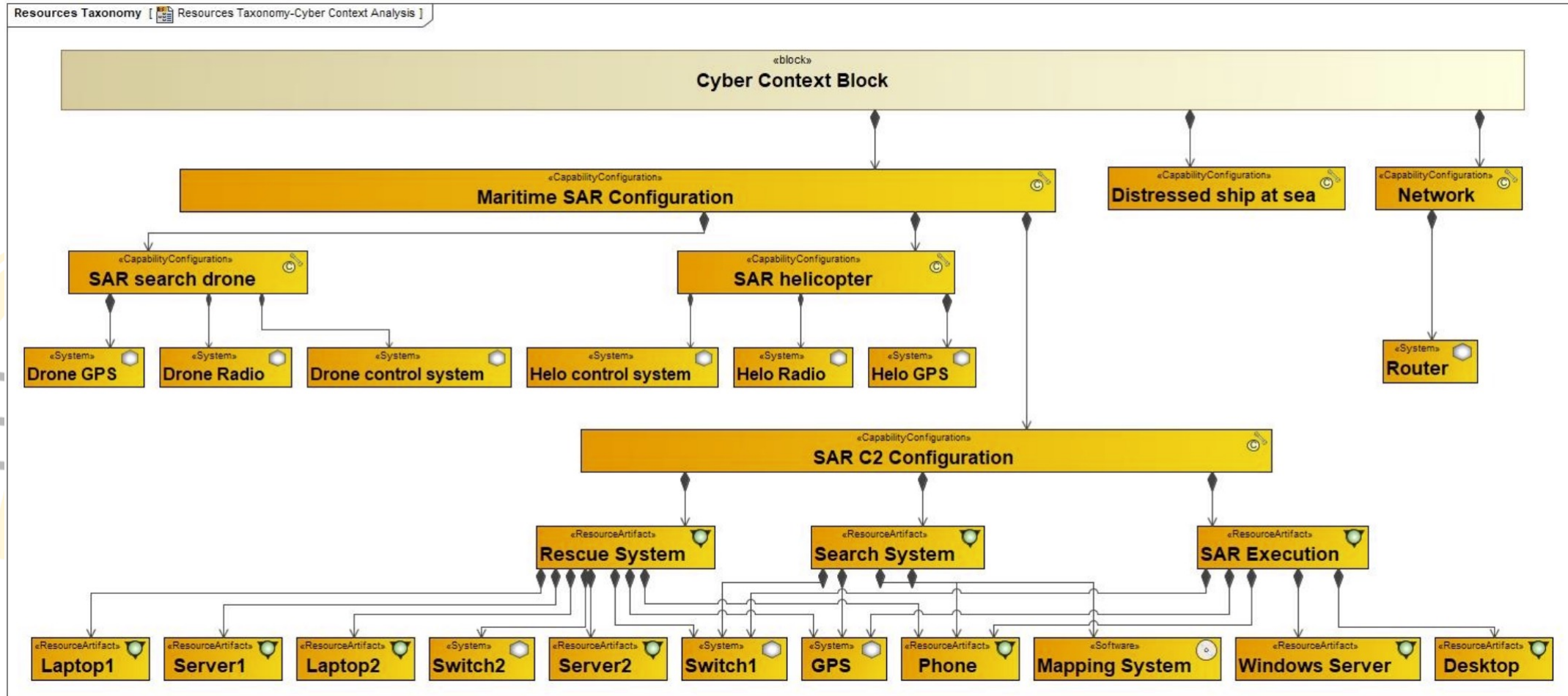
Cybersecurity in the Digital Thread

RAAML Integration

- As RAAML is integrated with SysML, this same integration can be used by the UAF
- A team from Mitre also provided an example making use of RAAML to examine the benefits of using Fault Tree Analysis (FTA).
 - “The structure and connectivity of the Fault Tree (FT) is constructed through analysis of the systems, system functions, and potential system failures. Based on such an analysis, the FT is created by identifying the events that can lead to each undesired system behavior which may lead to a system failure. Based on the structure of system resources identified, the system components that are vulnerable are identified. In the sample SAR model, the leaf level model elements are identified as the first point of attack from an external (internet) connection.” (Dansashi 2022)

The Systems, Hardware, And Software Components For Cyber Resiliency Analysis

Image from
Dandashi,
F., 2022,
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Fault Tree For Cyber Resiliency Analysis

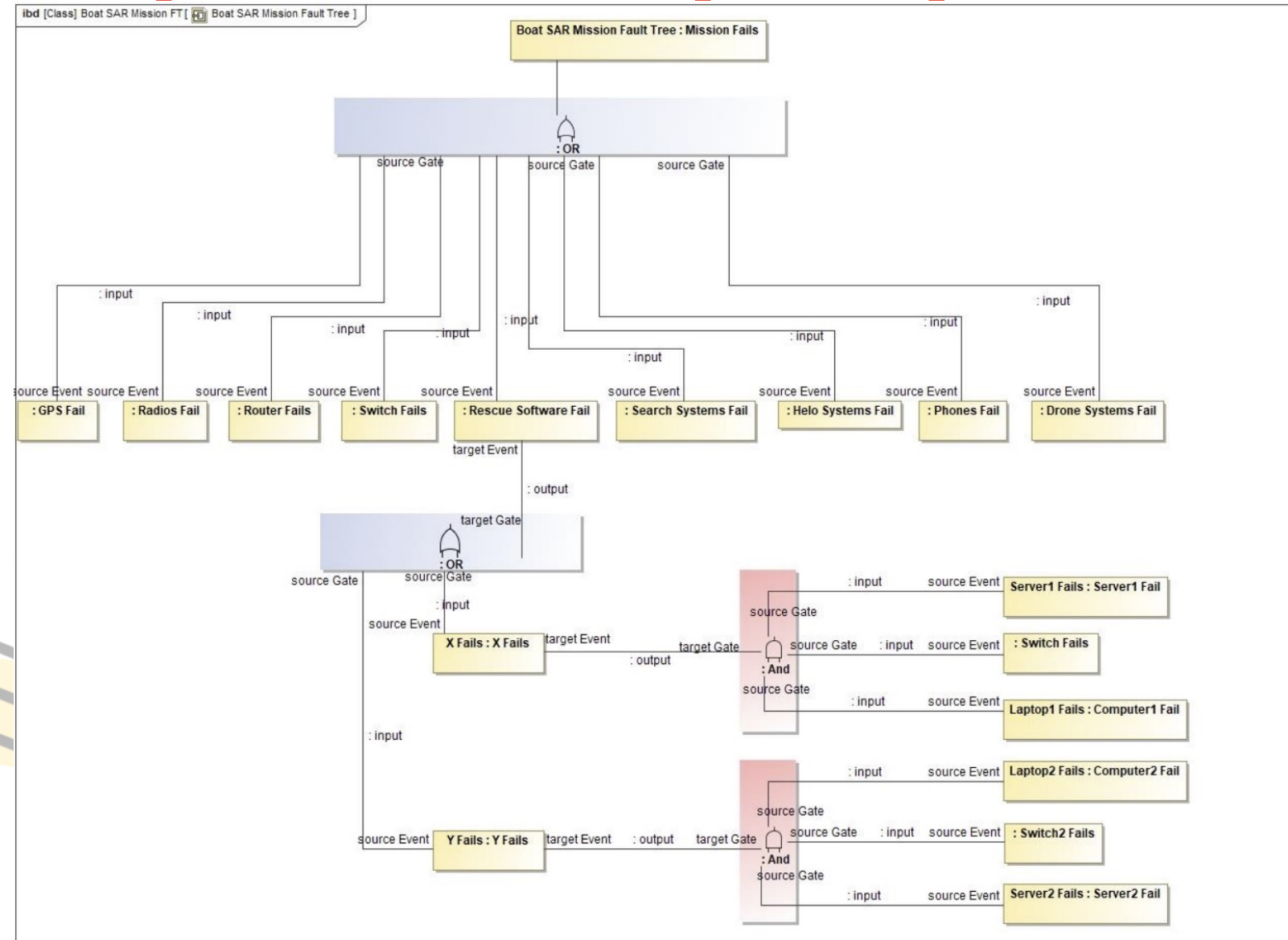


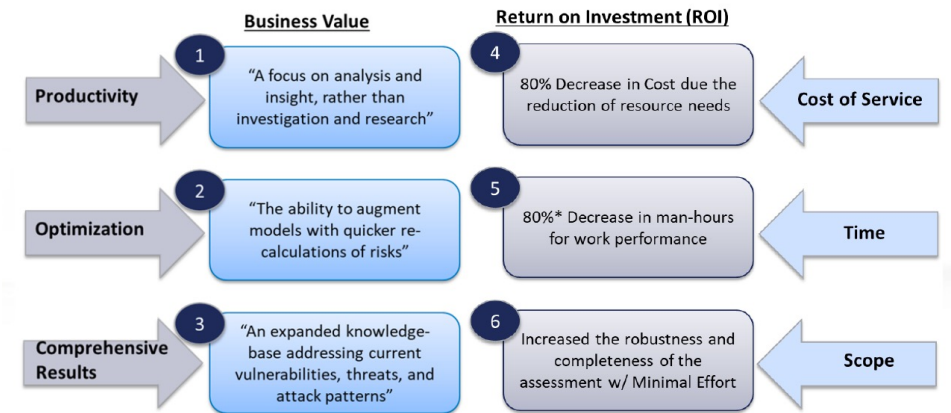
Image from Dandashi, F., 2022, Modeling Security Views with Unified Architecture Framework, Risk Assessment and Analysis Modeling Language, and Systems

Fully automated risk assessment and measurement platform

Enables organizations to identify, prioritize, and focus their risk mitigation efforts to the most critical assets of a system

Its value proposition allows organizations to:

- Reduce requirements of highly specialized knowledge
- Save Time
- Save Resources
- Increased ROI



Using the blade RiskManager , we were able to provide 'More Insight' with 'Less Effort'.

DR. TONY D BARBER, Principal Consultant, ADS



Delivers Digital Risk Assessment at industrial-scale for Cyber and Cyber-Physical systems



Delivers fully automated (objective & repeatable) risk analysis by utilizing digital engineering framework/MBSE

- Support for UPDM, UAF, SysML, CSV/MS Word Tables
- Validate model's fitness for purpose (e.g. Correctness, Completeness)
- Supports MOSA approach by utilizing mul. module imports & merge



Provides system visualization & modeling platform

- Auto-generates interactive view of system model from documents, and
- Provides platform for creating system model



Auto-generates Threat Model with Customizable Threat Environment

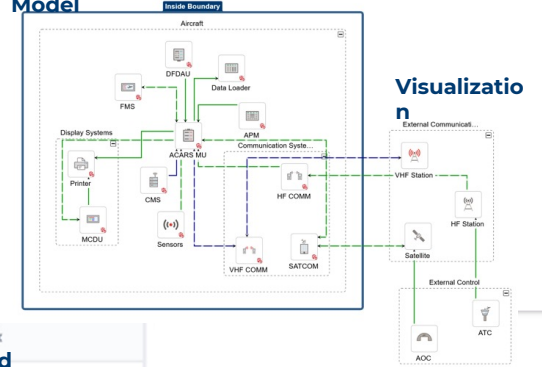
- Automated identification of attack paths and corresponding vulnerabilities
- Calculates fully quantifiable and prioritized initial, mitigated, compliance and residual risk
- Enables what-if scenario with auto-mitigation capability



Support for Multiple Standardized Frameworks, Catalogues & documentation

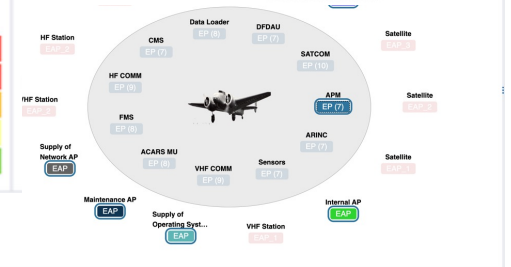
- NIST RMF, CSF, Cyber Survivability Attributes (CSA) KPP
- NIST 800-53; CNSSI 1253, ITSG-33
- MITRE ATT&CK, CAPEC, SFP/CWE
- Auto-generated Customizable Reports & ATO pkg

Auto-generated Interactive System Model



Risk Matrix Automated Analysis

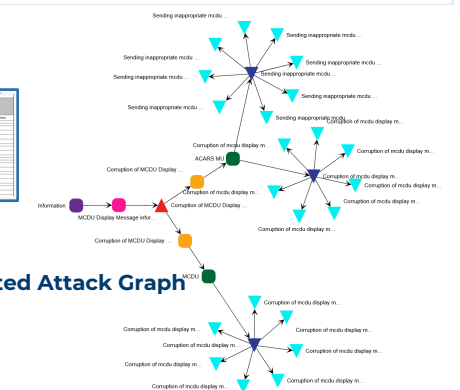
	13	14	15
L5	0	0	0
L4	1	0	3
L3	0	1	8
L2	0	0	0
L1	0	0	2



Auto-generated Security Traceability Matrix

Prepopulated POA&M

Auto-generated Attack Graph



MITRE's TRACE

- Mitre's TRACE considers likelihood and impact to mission, and ties asset failures to mission impact using FT analysis
- The tool uses sources such as MITRE's Adversarial Tactics Techniques & Common Knowledge (ATT&CK®) and overlays probability data from a Threat Concept Database and conducts Monte Carlo analysis to identify vulnerabilities and provides a list of Security Controls as output. TRACE ingests OMG's XMI® (Dandashi, 2022).
- This process is repeated until the system is deemed secure

Conclusion

- The diagrams shown are a small part of a complex model.
- UAF integrates security into the model rather than stand-alone
- UAF can be used by IT professionals and systems engineers to
 - Identify the most common problems and unmitigated risks faced by IT systems
 - Model existing security enterprises and identify security holes, superfluous security systems and software, and rectify incompatibilities
- Start with capabilities and trace them down to systems ensure that the true capabilities required by the customer are met
- Needs and capabilities ensure that the right system is built right.
- Standards based-security ensures best practices

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