

SEI's Approach to Mission Engineering and Mission Assurance

Software Engineering Institute
Carnegie Mellon University
Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Document Markings

Copyright 2020 Carnegie Mellon University.

This material is based upon work funded and supported by the Department of Defense under Contract No. FA8702-15-D-0002 with Carnegie Mellon University for the operation of the Software Engineering Institute, a federally funded research and development center.

The view, opinions, and/or findings contained in this material are those of the author(s) and should not be construed as an official Government position, policy, or decision, unless designated by other documentation.

NO WARRANTY. THIS CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY AND SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INSTITUTE MATERIAL IS FURNISHED ON AN "AS-IS" BASIS. CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY MAKES NO WARRANTIES OF ANY KIND, EITHER EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, AS TO ANY MATTER INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, WARRANTY OF FITNESS FOR PURPOSE OR MERCHANTABILITY, EXCLUSIVITY, OR RESULTS OBTAINED FROM USE OF THE MATERIAL. CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY DOES NOT MAKE ANY WARRANTY OF ANY KIND WITH RESPECT TO FREEDOM FROM PATENT, TRADEMARK, OR COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT.

[DISTRIBUTION STATEMENT A] This material has been approved for public release and unlimited distribution. Please see Copyright notice for non-US Government use and distribution.

GOVERNMENT PURPOSE RIGHTS – Technical Data
Contract No.: FA8702-15-D-0002
Contractor Name: Carnegie Mellon University
Contractor Address: 4500 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15213

The Government's rights to use, modify, reproduce, release, perform, display, or disclose these technical data are restricted by paragraph (b)(2) of the Rights in Technical Data—Noncommercial Items clause contained in the above identified contract. Any reproduction of technical data or portions thereof marked with this legend must also reproduce the markings.

This material may be reproduced in its entirety, without modification, and freely distributed in written or electronic form without requesting formal permission. Permission is required for any other use. Requests for permission should be directed to the Software Engineering Institute at permission@sei.cmu.edu.

Carnegie Mellon® is registered in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office by Carnegie Mellon University.

DM20-1127

Outline

Introductions

Build security in

- **Cybersecurity Engineering (CSE): Situational Awareness Assessments**
- **Architecture/Acquisition Needs/Support**

Operational resilience

- **Resilience Management Overview**
- **Cyber Resilience Assessment (CRA)**
- **Security Architecture Assessment (SAA)**

Summary

Introductions

SEI participants and backgrounds

- **Frank Redner**
- **Carol Woody**
- **Tim Morrow**
- **Chris Alberts**
- **Brett Tucker**
- **Jason Fricke**

CSE: SA Assessments

Introduction



Mission Assurance

A process to protect or ensure the continued function and resilience of capabilities and assets, including

- personnel,
- equipment,
- facilities,
- networks,
- information and information systems,
- infrastructure, and
- supply chains,

critical to the execution of DoD mission-essential functions in any operating environment or condition¹

1. Office of the Secretary of Defense for Policy. *Mission Assurance (MA)* (DoD Directive 3020.40). Washington, DC, 2018. https://fas.org/irp/doddir/dod/d3020_40.pdf

Mission Assurance and Acquisition

Mission assurance must be considered during the acquisition of DoD software-intensive systems, such as weapon systems.¹

- Risk management must be addressed as early as possible in the acquisition of information technology across the lifecycle.
- Acquisition programs must integrate mission assurance goals and activities with acquisition guidance.

Mission assurance must evolve from an after-the-fact, compliance-centric perspective for acceptance to an engineering-based approach that is holistic and risk-informed for all engineering and acceptance activities.²

1. Office of the Secretary of Defense for Policy. *Mission Assurance (MA)* (DoD Directive 3020.40). Washington, DC, 2018. https://fas.org/irp/doddir/dod/d3020_40.pdf
2. United States Air Force. *Weapon System Program Protection / Systems Security Engineering Guidebook, Version 2.0*. Wright Patterson Air Force Base, OH, 2020

DoD Mission Assurance Construct

Mission Assurance is a DoD-wide construct that focuses on prioritizing DoD efforts and resources toward addressing the most critical strategic mission execution concerns¹

Mission Assurance construct comprises four processes:¹

1. Identification – What is important and why?
2. Assessment – What is the risk?
3. Risk Management – What can we do?
4. Monitoring and Reporting:
 - Monitor: Threat & Hazard, Risk Response Plan, Yearly Review and Validation of DCA status
 - Reporting: Changes in Operational Status and unanticipated risks

1. Office of the Secretary of Defense for Policy. *Mission Assurance (MA) Construct* (DoD Directive 3020.45). Washington, DC, 2018. https://fas.org/irp/doddir/dod/i3020_45.pdf

Systems Security Engineering (SSE)

“An element of Systems Engineering (SE) that applies scientific and engineering principles in a standardized, repeatable, and efficient manner to identify security vulnerabilities, requirements, and methods of verifications that minimize risks.”¹

- SSE processes are used to design systems that are resilient to cyber-attacks.
- SSE delivers systems that satisfy stakeholder security needs for weapon system operation in today’s cyber-contested environments.

1. United States Air Force Weapon System Program Protection / Systems Security Engineering Guidebook, Version 2.0

Software Assurance

A level of confidence that software functions as intended and is free of vulnerabilities, either intentionally or unintentionally designed or inserted as part of the software, throughout the lifecycle

- Software must be designed and architected with the knowledge that it must function as intended in an increasingly contested, challenging, and interconnected cyber environment.
- Software assurance is essential for achieving mission assurance.

SEI Cybersecurity Engineering (CSE)

An approach for integrating software security engineering with SSE across the acquisition lifecycle.

Key areas of focus:

- Procurement strategies
- Secure system design
- Security management / information protection (IP)
- Software assurance (SwA)
- Supply chain risk management (SCRM)
- Anti-tamper (AT)
- Model-based system engineering (MBSE)
- Reference architectures with associated documentation to support assessments

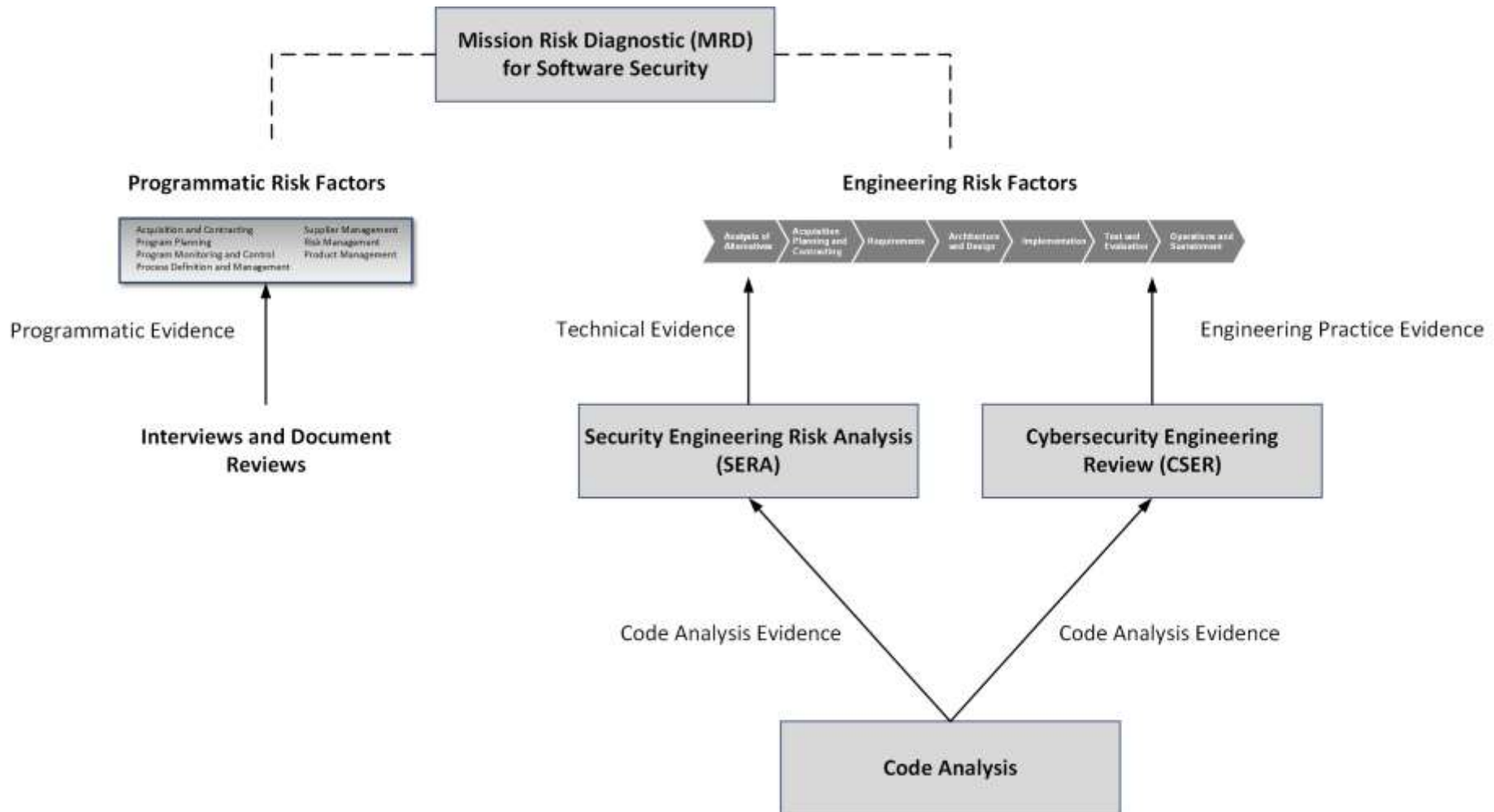
Situational Awareness (SA) CSE Assessments

Assessments are a key component of SEI's CSE strategy.

The CERT SA Team performs the following CSE assessments:

- Mission Risk Diagnostic (MRD)
- Security Engineering Risk Analysis (SERA)
- Cybersecurity Engineering Review (CSER)

SA CSE Assessments: *An Integrated View*



CSE: SA Assessments

Mission Risk Diagnostic (MRD)



Mission Risk Diagnostic (MRD)

What

- An approach for assessing mission risk in interactively complex, socio-technical systems (e.g., acquisition programs, development projects, enterprise initiatives, organizational capabilities)



Why

- Assess a mission's current potential for success in relation to a set of known risk factors
- Develop a plan for managing risk and increasing the potential for mission success

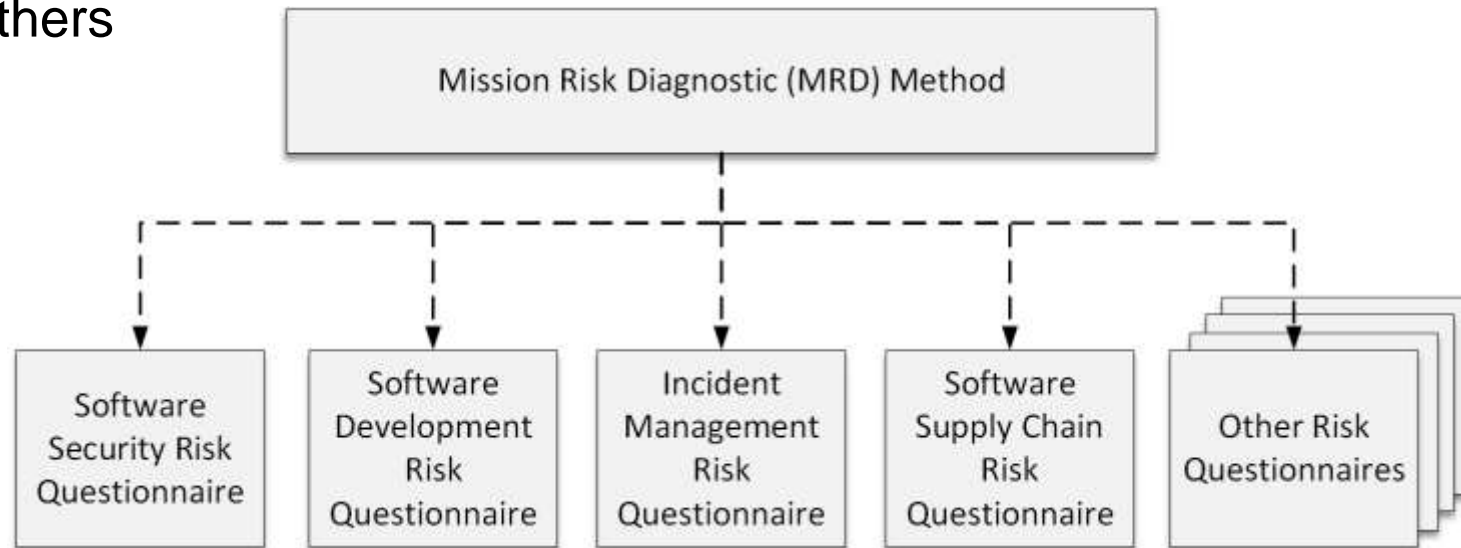
Benefits

- Provides a time-efficient means of assessing acquisition programs, development projects, initiatives, and capabilities
- Establishes confidence in the ability to achieve mission objectives
- Can be self-applied or expert led

MRD Assessment Platform

The SEI has applied the MRD platform in a variety of contexts, including

- Software acquisition and development
- Software security
- Software supply-chain
- Incident management
- Business portfolio management
- Others



Example: *Risk Factors for Software Security*

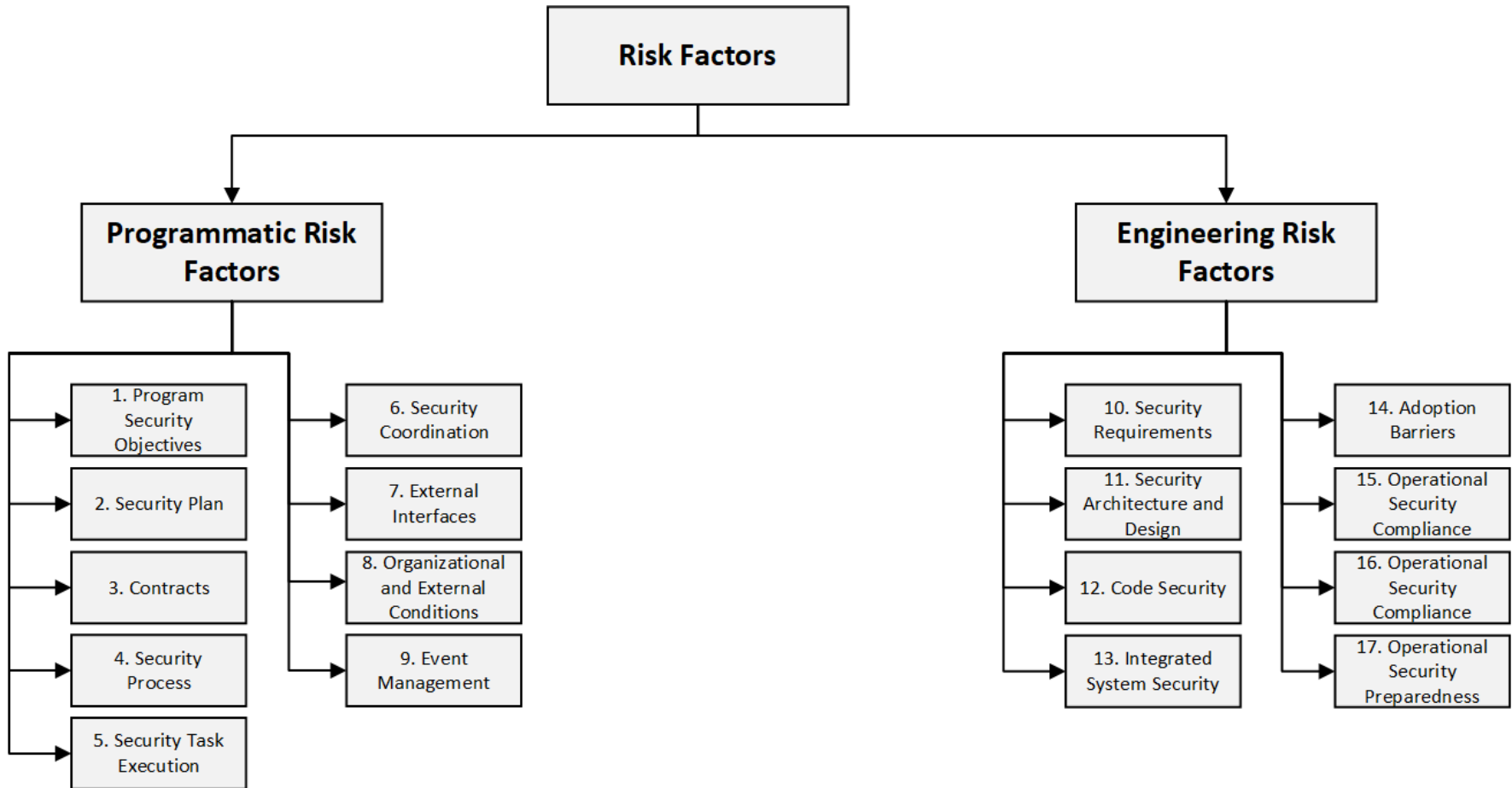
Programmatic Risk Factors

1. Program Security Objectives
2. Security Plan
3. Contracts
4. Security Process
5. Security Task Execution
6. Security Coordination
7. External Interfaces
8. Organizational and External Conditions
9. Event Management

Engineering Risk Factors

10. Security Requirements
11. Security Architecture and Design
12. Code Security
13. Integrated System Security
14. Adoption Barriers
15. Operational Security Compliance
16. Operational Security Preparedness
17. Product Security Risk Management

Example: *Risk Factors for Software Security* (*Hierarchical View*)



Example: *Evaluating Risk Factors*

Driver 4: Security Process

Driver Question

Does the process being used to develop and deploy the system sufficiently address security?

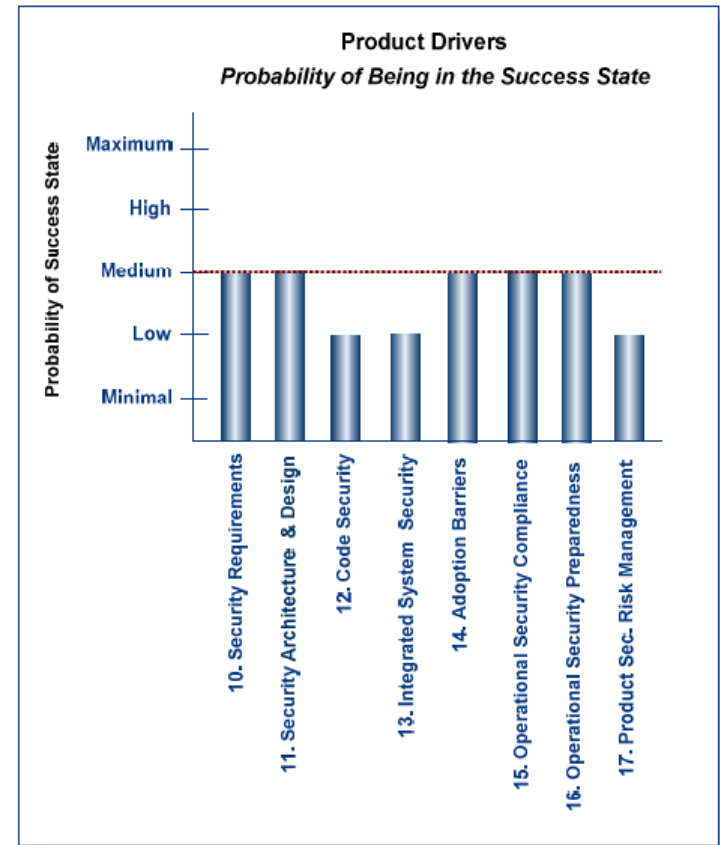
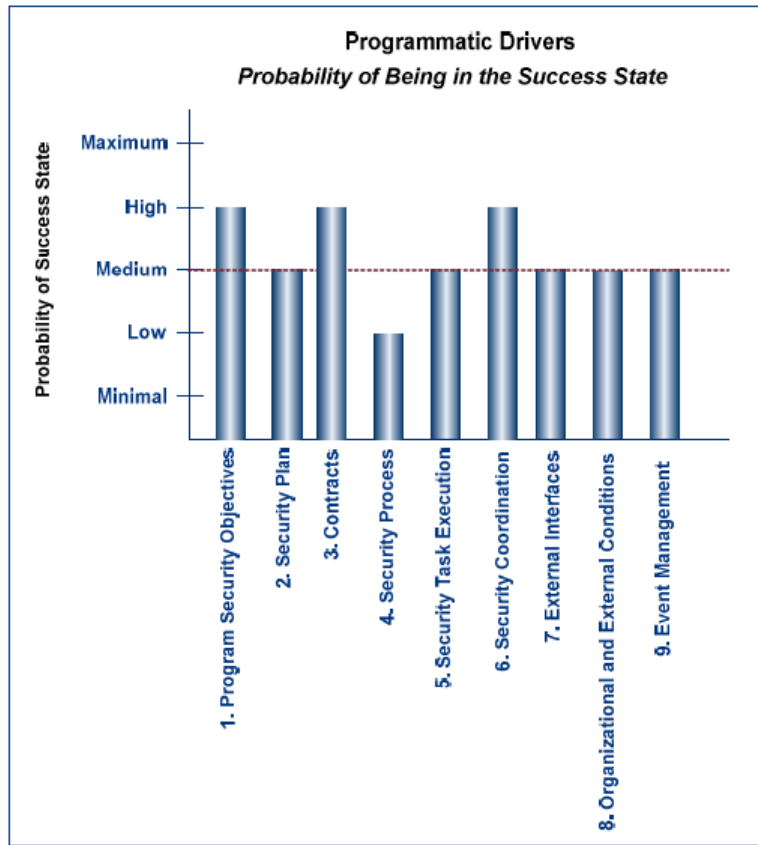
Considerations:

- Security-related tasks and activities in the program workflow
- Conformance to security process models
- Measurements and controls for security-related tasks and activities
- Process efficiency and effectiveness
- Software security development life cycle
- Security-related training
- Compliance with security policies, laws, and regulations
- Security of all product-related information

Response

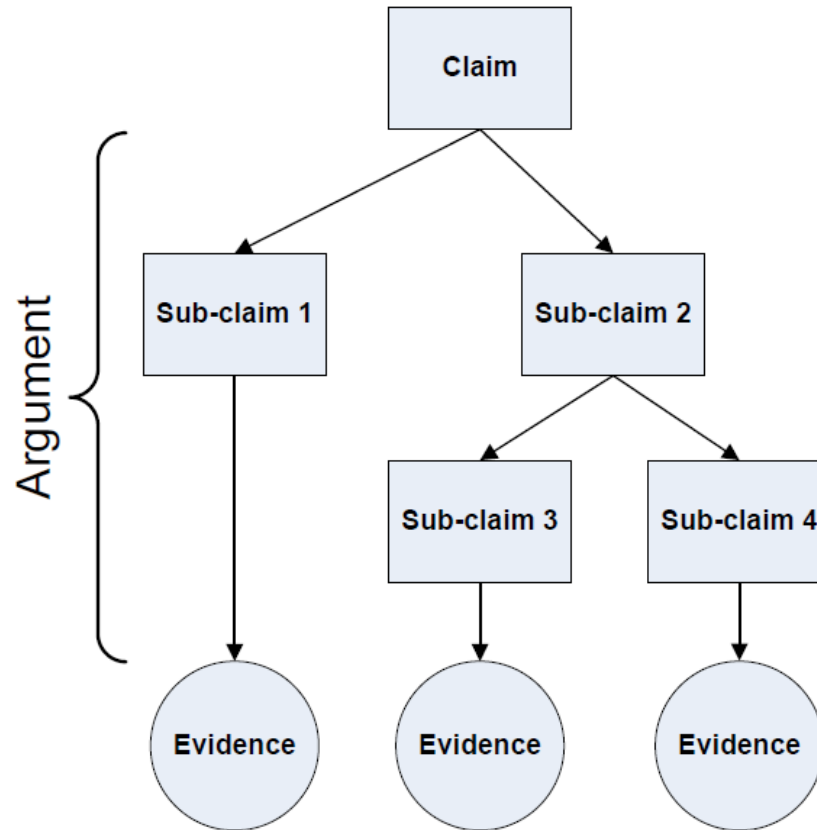
- Yes
- Likely Yes
- Equally Likely
- Likely No
- No
- Don't Know

Example: *MRD Mission Assurance Profile*



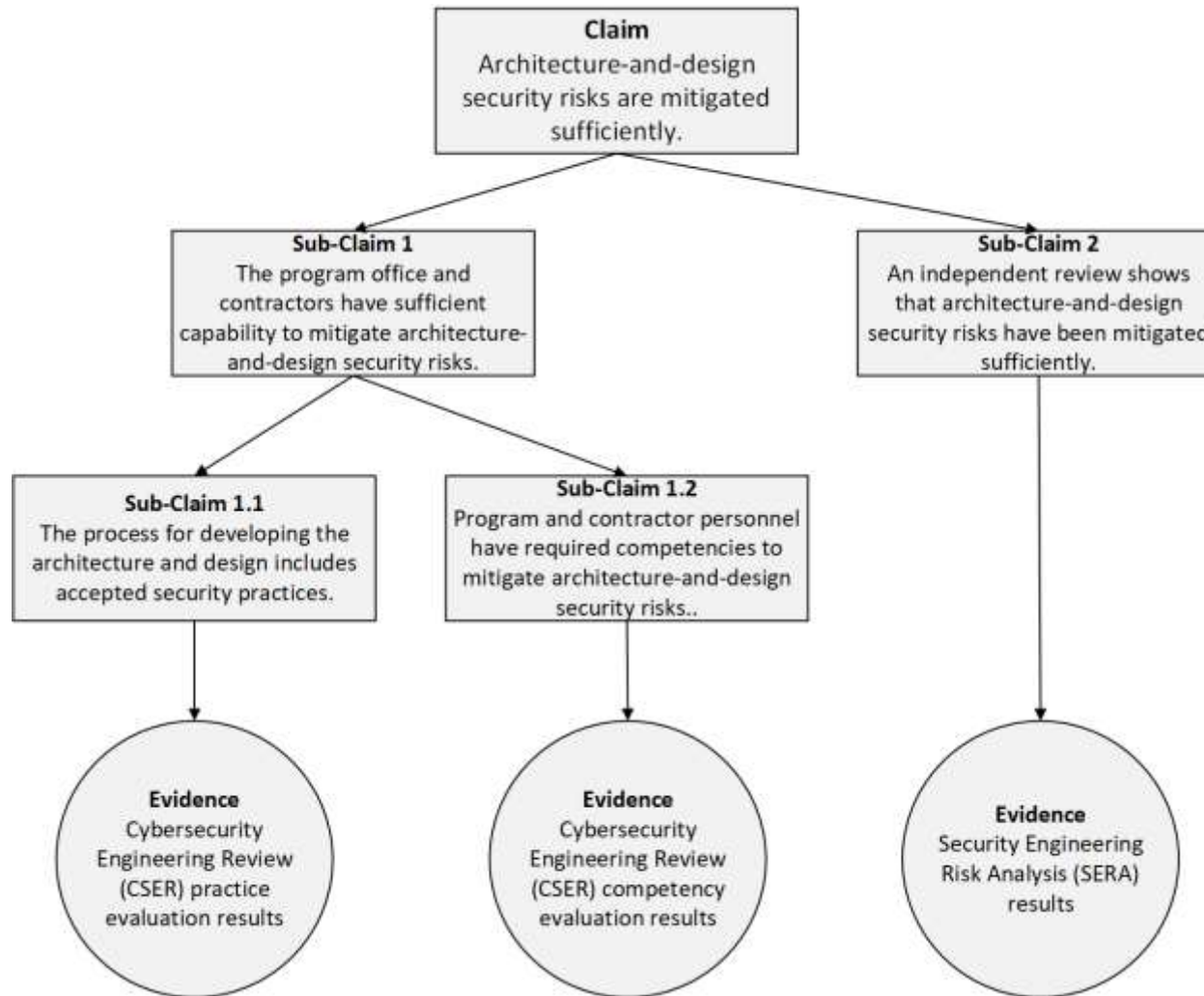
The mission assurance profile can be used as a dashboard for decision makers.

Assurance Case



A security assurance case uses a structured set of arguments and a corresponding body of evidence to demonstrate that a system satisfies specific claims with respect to its security properties

Example: Assurance Case for Security Architecture and Design (Risk Factor 11)



MRD: *Summary*

Assessment Types:

- DoD and Civil agency acquisition programs
- Cloud technology adoption
- Software development
- Software security
- Software supply chain
- Custom risk assessments

Time to conduct:

- ~1 month (expert-led version with existing questionnaire)
- 3-4 months (expert-led version with questionnaire development)

CSE: SA Assessments

Security Engineering Risk Analysis (SERA)



Security Engineering Risk Analysis (SERA)

What

- A systematic approach for analyzing complex security risks in software-reliant systems and systems of systems across the lifecycle and supply chain

Why

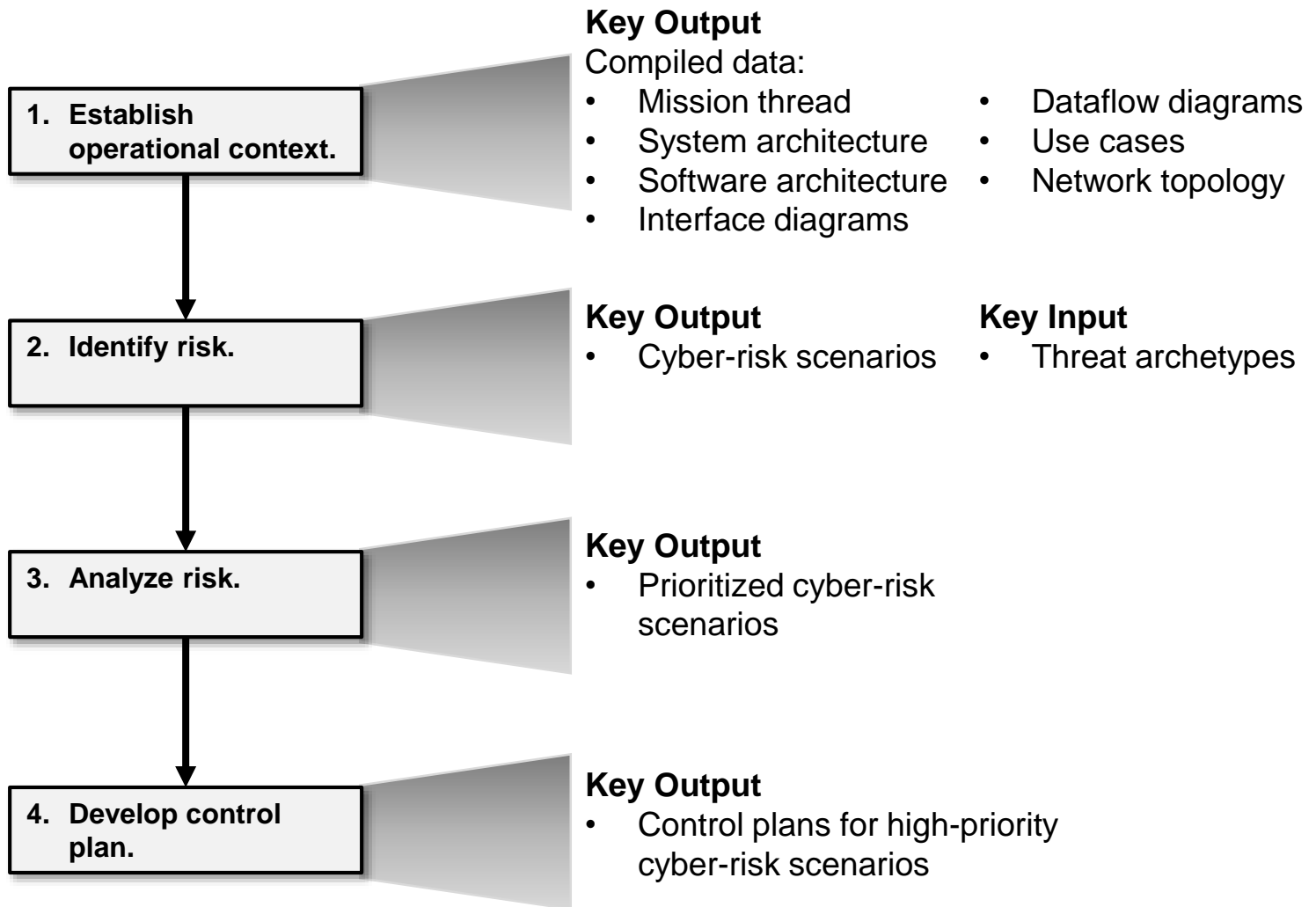
- Build security into software-reliant systems by addressing design weaknesses as early as possible (e.g., requirements, architecture, design)
- Assemble a shared organizational view (business and technical) of cybersecurity risk

Benefits

- Correct design weaknesses before a system is deployed
- Reduce residual cybersecurity risk in deployed systems
- Ensure consistency with NIST Risk Management Framework (RMF)

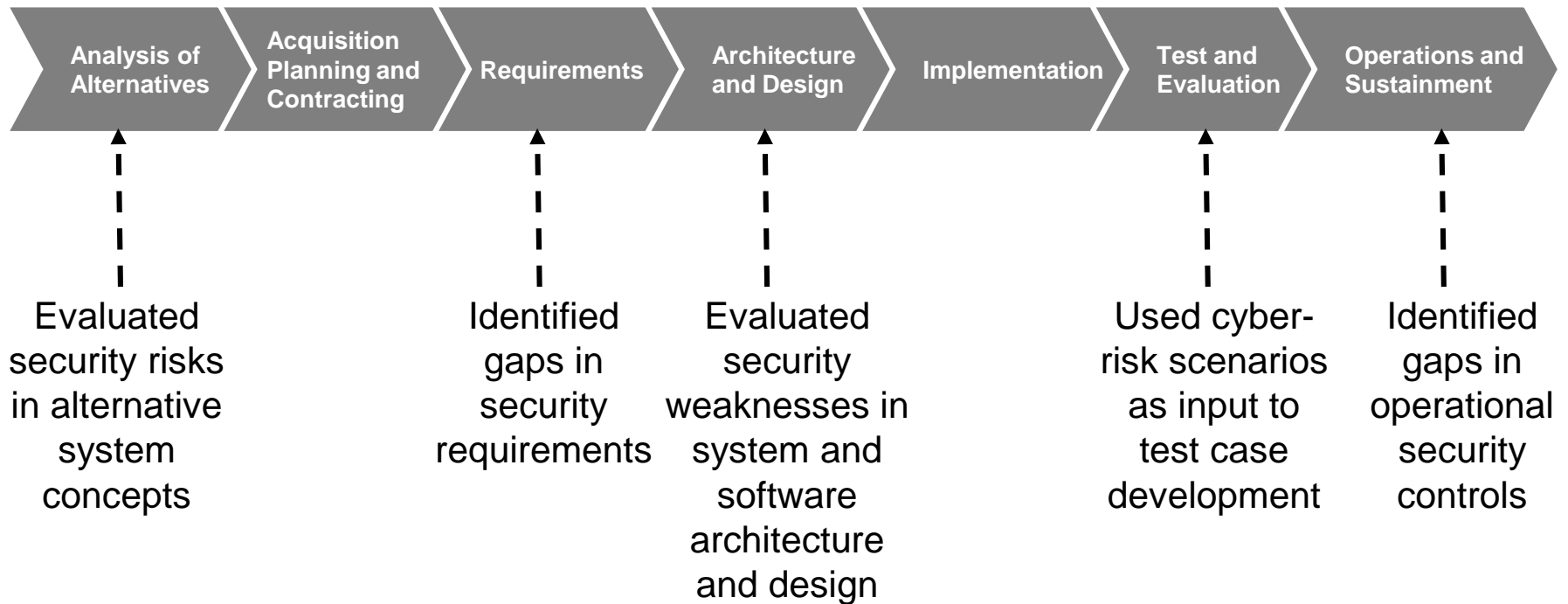


SERA Method: *Four Tasks*



SERA Method: *Security Analysis Across the Lifecycle*

The SERA Method has been piloted across the acquisition and engineering lifecycle.



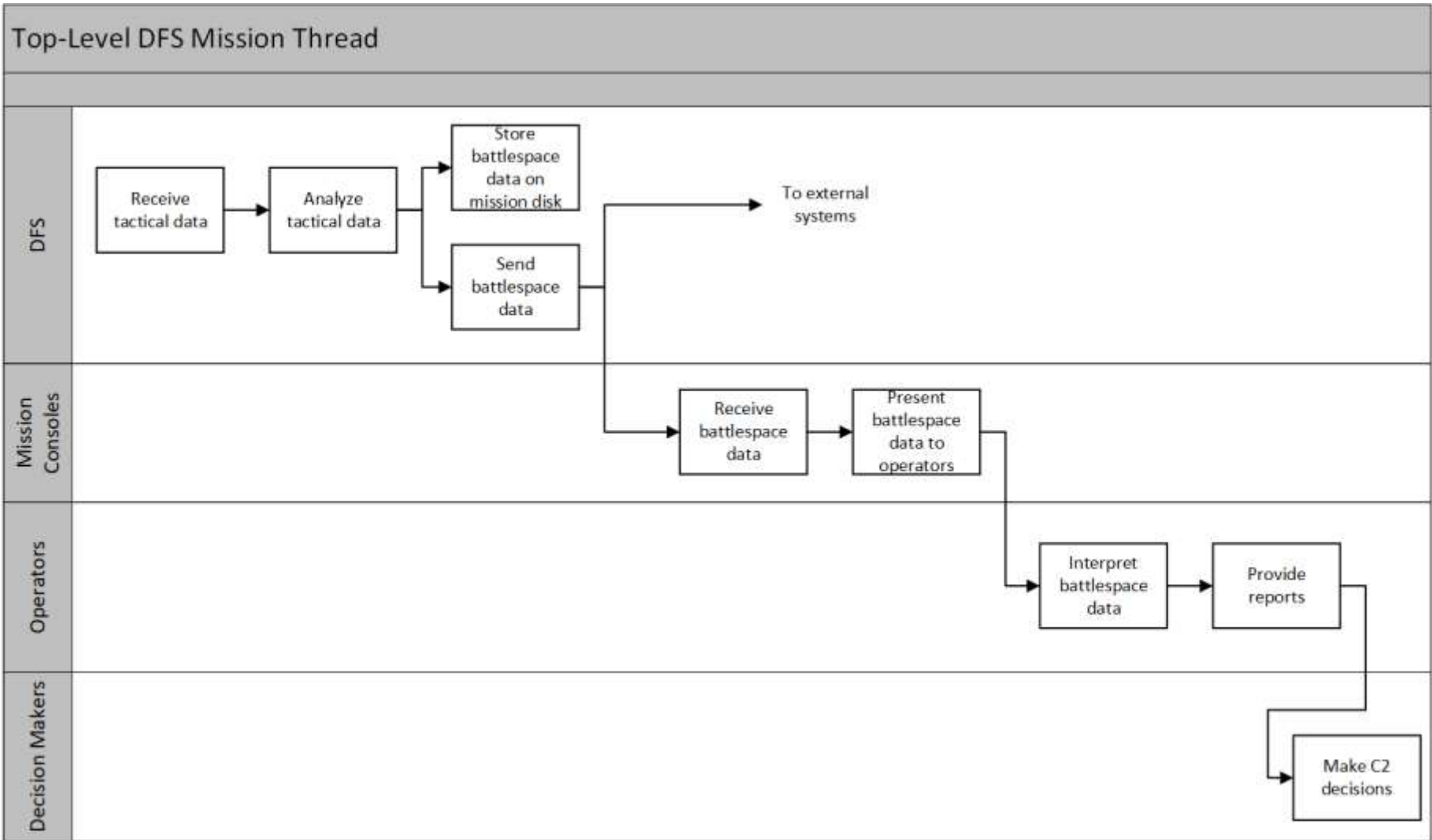
Example: *Mission Context*

A command-and-control group is acquiring a Data Fusion System (DFS) to support strategic and tactical decision making.

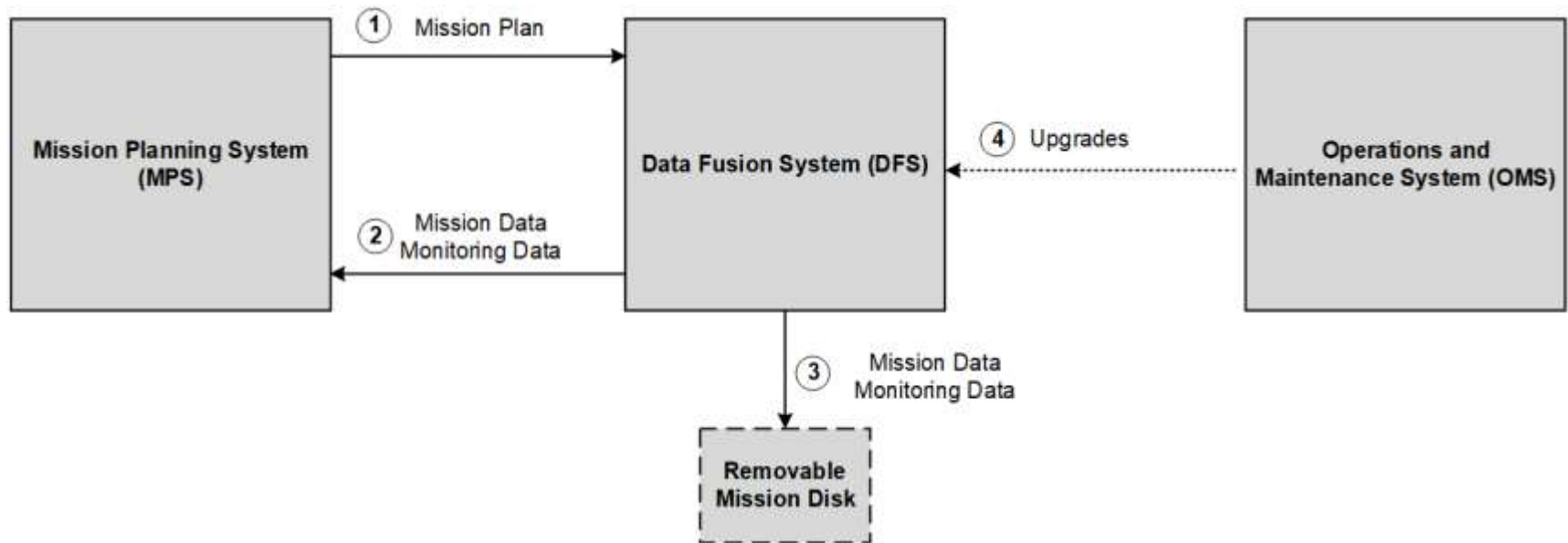
The DFS provides a single graphical representation of the battlespace by integrating tactical data from

- Data link networks
- Ground networks
- Intelligence networks
- Sensor networks

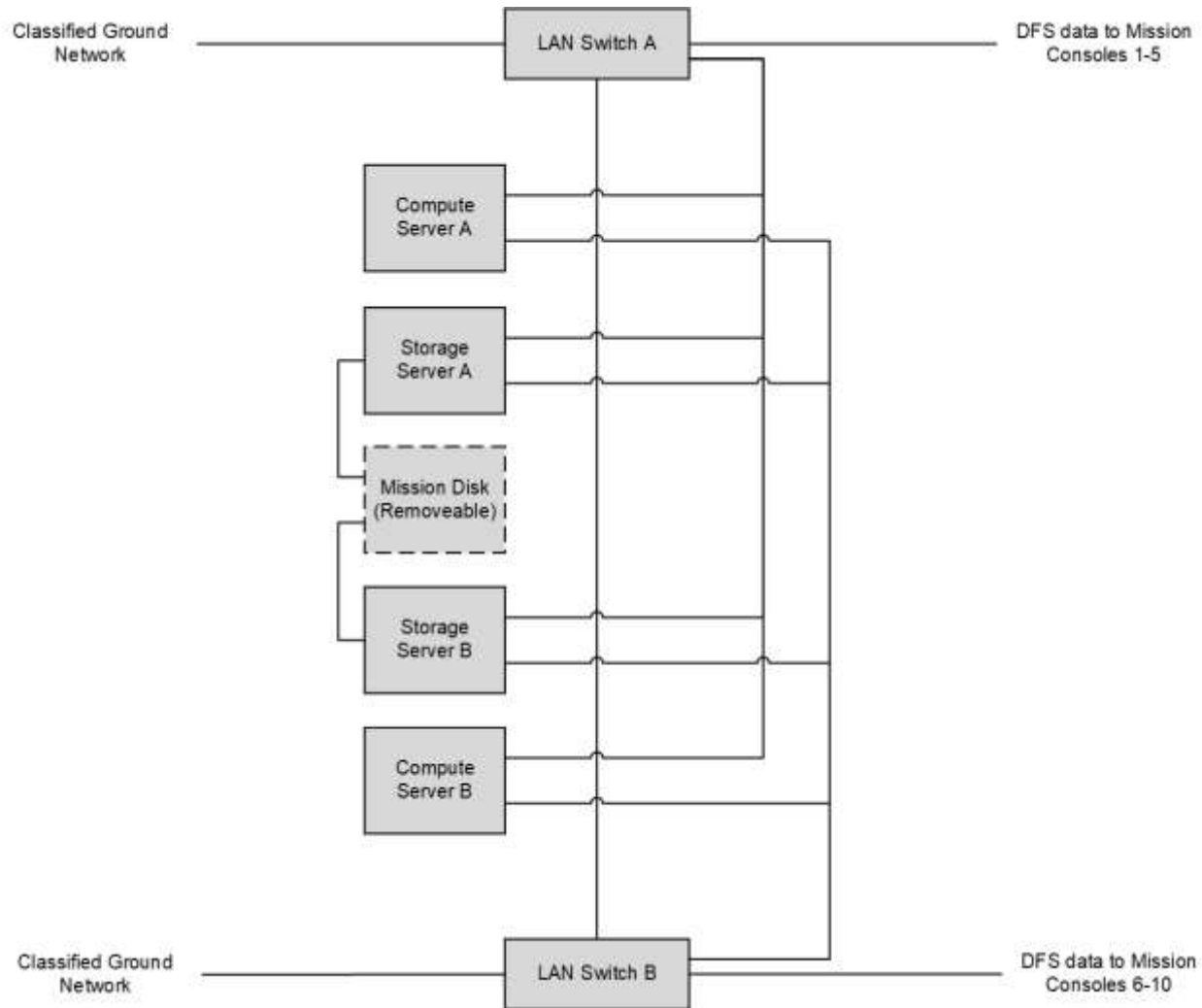
Example: *Mission Thread*



Example: *DFS Interfaces*



Example: *DFS Architecture*



Example: *Threat Archetype 1*

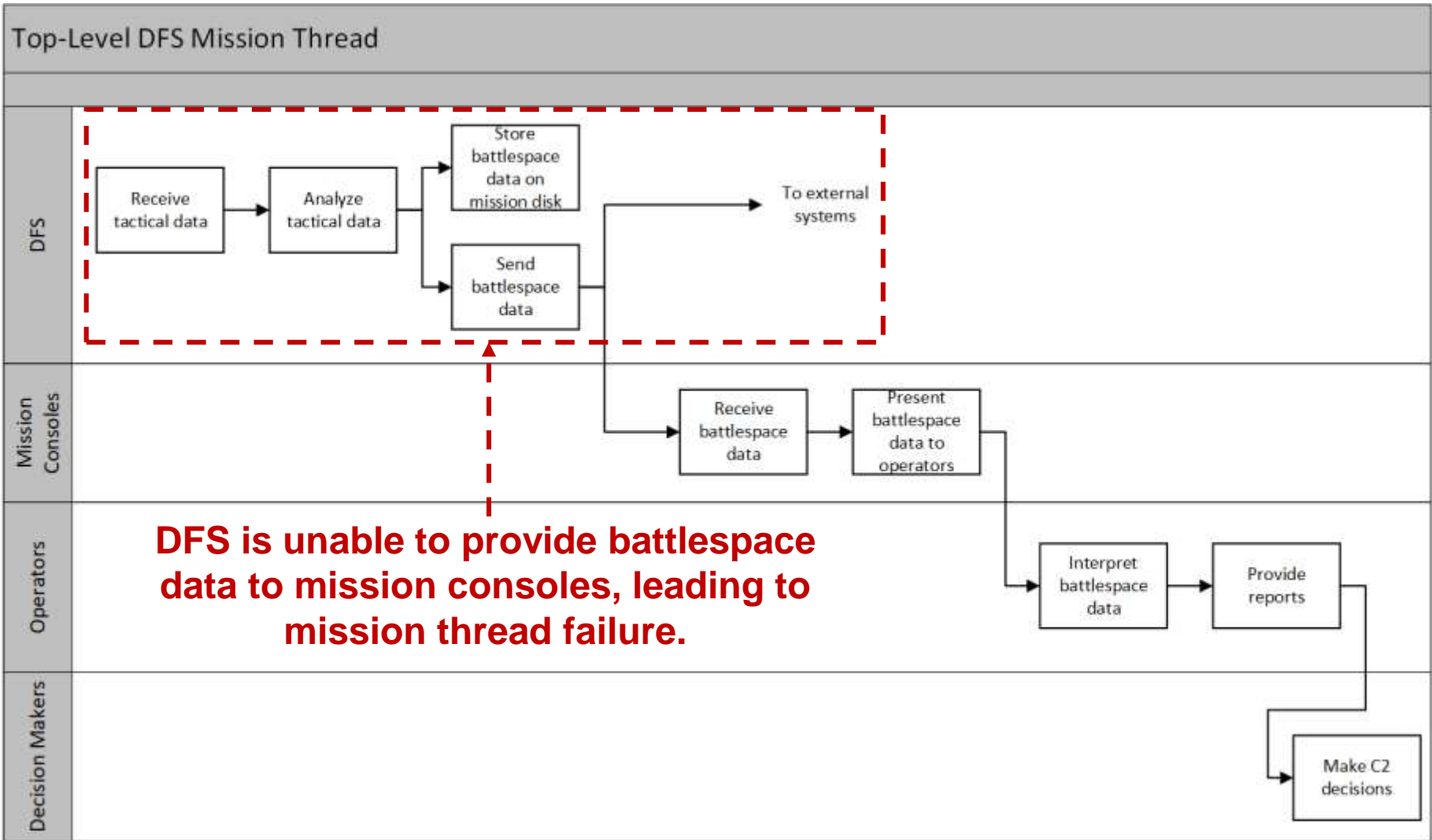
Element	Attribute
Actor	Insider
Threat Type	Targeted
Access Type	Physical
Access Point	Support/maintenance systems
Attack Pattern	Local Execution of Code (CAPEC-549) Flooding (CAPEC-125)
Direct Consequence	Interruption of access to data (availability)

A *threat archetype* is a pattern or model that describes a cyber-based act, occurrence, or event with the potential to harm an information system through unauthorized access, destruction, disclosure, modification of data, and/or denial of service.

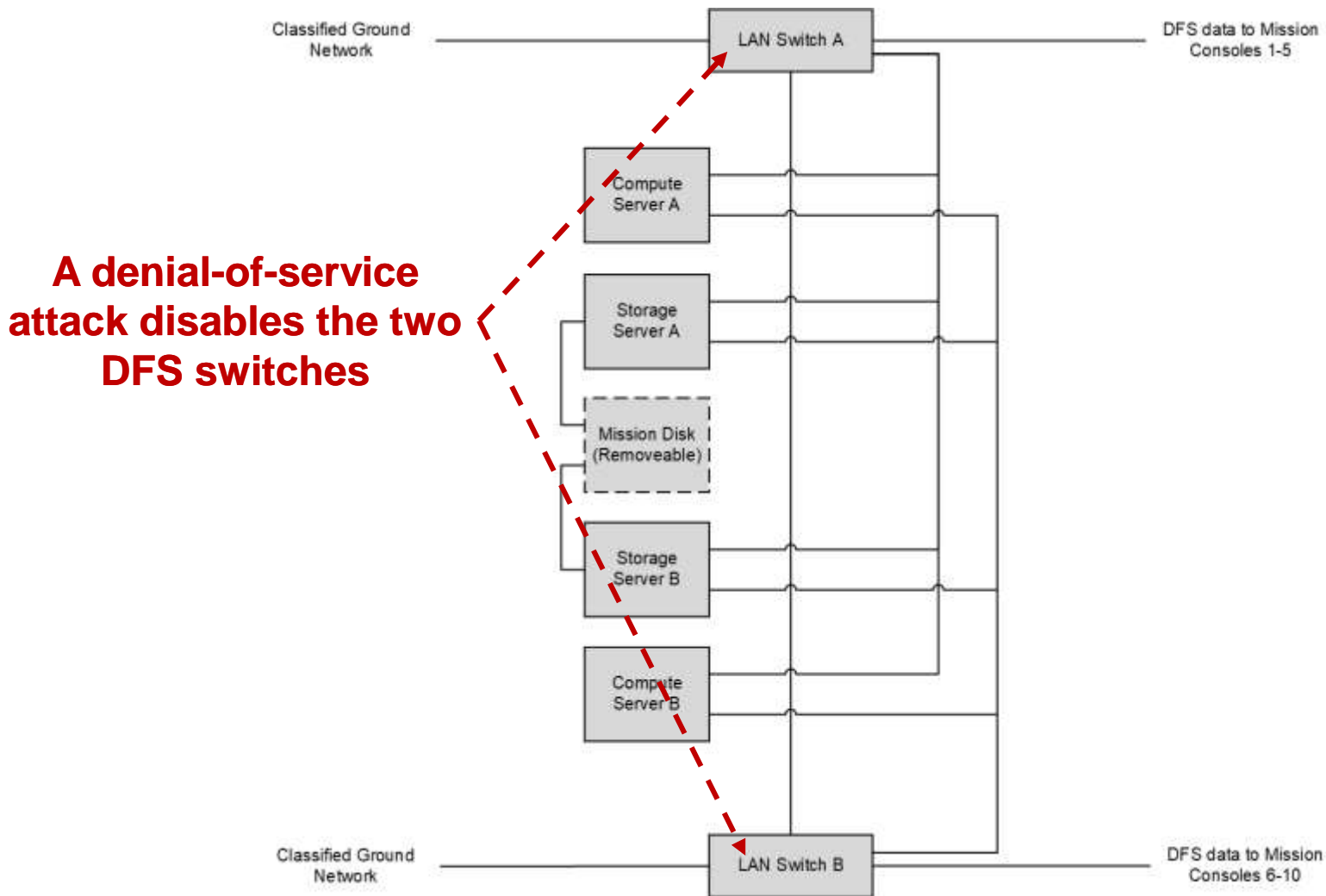
Example: *Threat Archetype 2*

Element	Attribute
Actor	Insider
Threat Type	Targeted
Access Type	Physical and network
Access Point	Enterprise systems/networks
Attack Pattern	Privilege Abuse (CAPEC-122) Bypassing Physical Security (CAPEC-390) Research and Reconnaissance
Direct Consequence	Data disclosure (confidentiality)

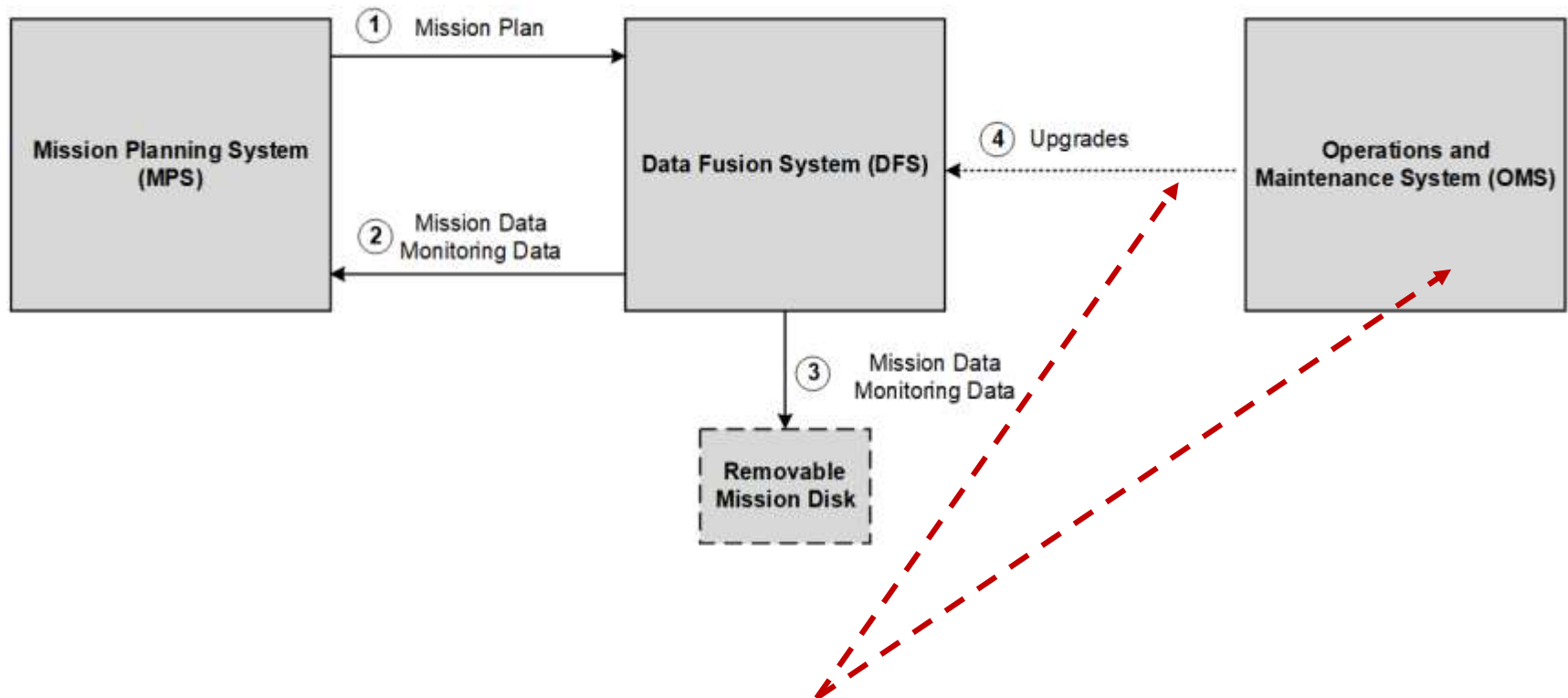
Example: *Mission Impact*



Example: *DFS Denial of Service*



Example: SoS Attack Vector



The insider uploads the malicious code to the DFS via the software upgrade process and changes log files to erase evidence of the action.

Example: *Threat Sequence*

1. An insider with technical skills and administrative access to the Data Fusion System (DFS) becomes disgruntled after being passed over for a promotion.
2. The insider begins to behave aggressively and abusively toward coworkers.
3. After a while, the insider decides to execute a cyber attack on the DFS. The insider's goal is to execute a denial-of-service (DoS) attack on DFS switches.
4. The insider uses cyber access to the DFS engineering repository (resulting from insufficient access control mechanisms) to view engineering documents. The insider uses physical access to the DFS engineering organization's work space to view unsecured hard copies of DFS engineering documents.
5. The insider develops a plan for the cyber attack based on the available information.
6. The insider uses the organization's resources to develop malicious code designed to flood the DFS network with traffic.
7. The insider uploads the malicious code to the DFS via the software upgrade process and changes log files to erase evidence of the action.
8. After a mission begins, the malicious code monitors DFS network traffic.
9. When the data indicate that the DFS is receiving mission data, the malicious code's attack is triggered. The malicious code floods the DFS network with illegitimate traffic. Processing illegitimate requests consumes the DFS switches' resources, which creates an DFS denial of service.

Example: *Controls Areas for Cyber-Risk Scenario*

Access Control

Change Management

Code Analysis

Disaster Recovery

Human Resources

Incident Response

Monitoring

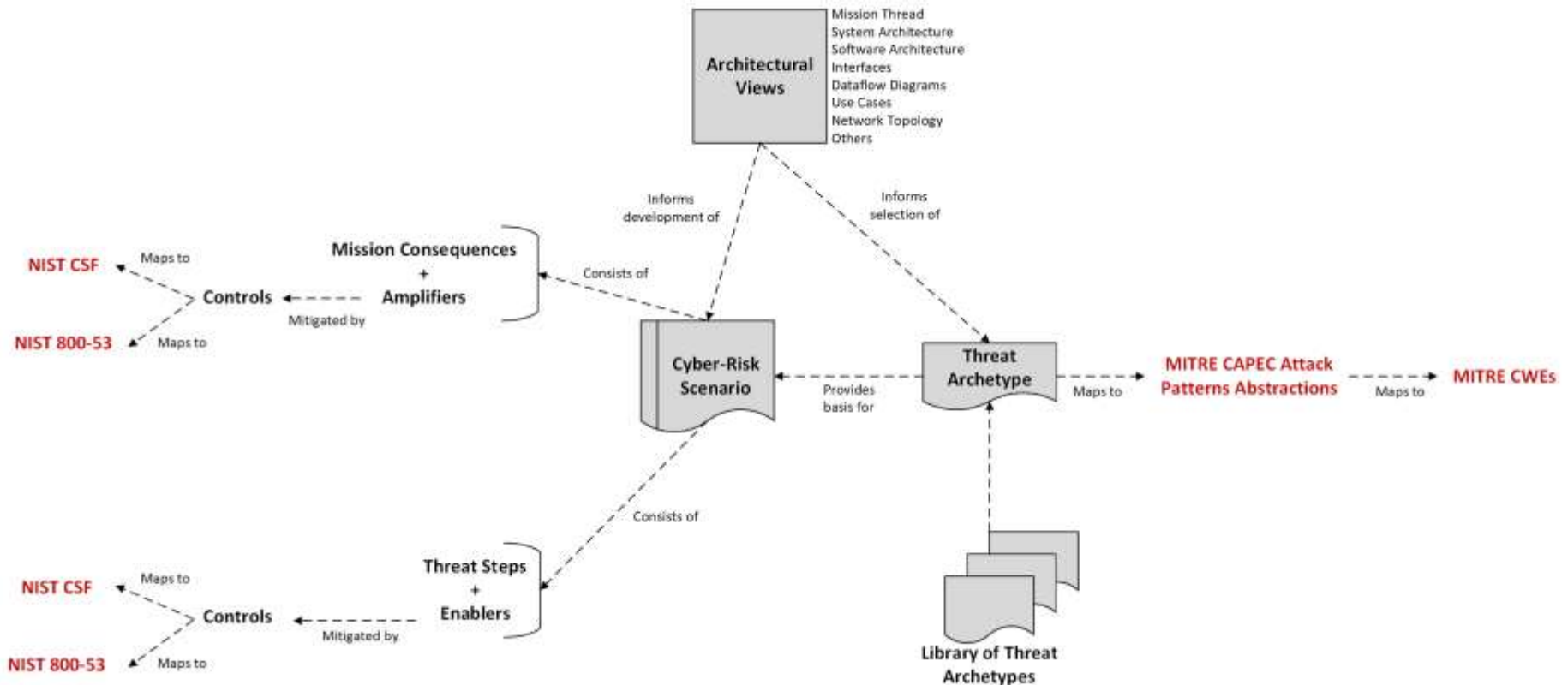
System Architecture

Training

Example: *SERA Threat Sequence Table* (Excerpt)

Step	Enabler	Candidate Control	NIST Mapping	
1.	An insider with technical skills and administrative access to the Data Fusion System (DFS) becomes disgruntled after being passed over for a promotion and not receiving a bonus.	Insufficient feedback about employee performance	The organization's managers are trained to provide constructive feedback on performance issues.	NIST CSF: PR.IP-11 NIST 800-53: PS-1, PS-2, PS-3, PS-4, PS-5, PS-6, PS-7, PS-8, SA-21
2.	The insider begins to behave aggressively and abusively toward coworkers.	Tolerance for inappropriate employee behavior	The organization's managers recognize inappropriate behavior when it occurs and respond appropriately.	NIST CSF: PR.IP-11 NIST 800-53: PS-1, PS-2, PS-3, PS-4, PS-5, PS-6, PS-7, PS-8, SA-21
3.	After a while, the insider decides to execute a cyber attack on the DFS. The insider's goal is to execute a denial-of-service (DoS) attack on DFS switches.	No resolution to underlying employee issue	The organization's managers recognize an employee's escalating frustration and proactively work to diffuse the situation.	NIST CSF: PR.IP-11 NIST 800-53: PS-1, PS-2, PS-3, PS-4, PS-5, PS-6, PS-7, PS-8, SA-21
4.	The insider uses cyber access to the DFS engineering repository (resulting from insufficient access control mechanisms) to view engineering documents. The insider uses physical access to the DFS engineering organization's work space to view unsecured hard copies of DFS engineering documents.	Insufficient access control for information and resources (physical and cyber)	Physical access to information and resources is managed and protected.	NIST CSF: PR.AC-2 NIST 800-53: PE-2, PE-3, PE-4, PE-5, PE-6, PE-8
			Access permissions and authorizations for computing resources are managed.	NIST CSF: PR.AC-4 NIST 800-53: AC-1, AC-2, AC-3, AC-5, AC-6, AC-14, AC-16, AC-24
		Insufficient monitoring of the organizational environment for abnormal activity (physical and cyber)	The organization monitors the physical environment for abnormal activity.	NIST CSF: DE.CM-2 NIST 800-53: CA-7, PE-3, PE-6, PE-20
			The organization monitors systems and networks for abnormal activity.	NIST CSF: DE.CM-1 NIST 800-53: AC-2, AU-12, CA-7, CM-3, SC-5, SC-7, SI-4
		The organization performs targeted monitoring of individuals with suspected behavioral issues.	NIST CSF: DE.CM-3 NIST 800-53: AC-2, AU-12, AU-13, CA-7, CM-10, CM-11	
		The organization responds appropriately when abnormal activity is detected.	NIST CSF: RS.MI-1, RS.MI-2 NIST 800-53: IR-4	

SERA Data Mapping



SERA cyber-risk data can be mapped to security standards, such as

- NIST Cybersecurity Framework (CSF) and NIST 800-53
- MITRE CAPEC attack patterns and MITRE CWEs

SERA Method: *Summary*

Customer Types:

- DoD weapon system acquisition (5 pilots)
- Foreign Military Sales (FMS) (2 pilots)
- Civil agency system acquisition (2 pilots)

Lifecycle Phases

- Analysis of alternatives (AoA)
- Requirements specification
- Architecture analysis
- Operational test and evaluation (OT&E)
- Operations and Sustainment (O&S)

Time to conduct:

- 1-6 months (depending on scope)

CSE: SA Assessments

Cybersecurity Engineering Review (CSER)



Cybersecurity Engineering Review (CSER)

What

- Evaluates an acquisition program's security practices for conformance to accepted CSE practices

Why

- Understand the effectiveness of an acquisition program's cybersecurity practices
- Develop a plan for improving a program's cybersecurity practices

Benefits

- Establish confidence in a program's ability to acquire software-reliant systems across the lifecycle and supply chain
- Reduce cybersecurity risk of deployed software-reliant systems



Prototype CSE Lifecycle Roadmap

A collection of cybersecurity engineering practices and competencies that can be applied across the lifecycle:

1. Security Risk Assessment
2. Requirements
3. Architecture and Design
4. Implementation
5. Developmental Test and Evaluation (DT&E)
6. Operational Test and Evaluation (OT&E)
7. Operations and Sustainment (O&S)

Each area of the roadmap includes the following:

- Practices
- Evidence (key outputs produced)
- Competencies

CSER: *Assessment Approach*

Collect data on program's security practices.

- Document review
 - Plans and processes
 - Work products (e.g., requirements, architecture analysis)
- Interviews (optional)
- Studies (optional)

Evaluate program's security practices in relation to CSE Lifecycle Roadmap practices.

Document observations about program's security practices.

- Strengths
- Weaknesses

Example: *General Observations*

Compliance Focus

Security is focused on system compliance. [Systems Engineering Management Plan, System Security Plan]

- Lack of a broader context (e.g. system of systems, mission resilience) could lead to unmitigated security risks.

Process Integration

Security is viewed as a specialty engineering activity. [Systems Engineering Management Plan, Critical Design Review]

- This could indicate a lack of process integration.

It is unclear how well cybersecurity engineering practices are integrated with system engineering activities. [Systems Engineering Management Plan, Critical Design Review]

- This could lead to unmitigated security risks.

Example: *Roadmap Observations*

1. Security Risk Assessment

Evaluation: Partially addressed

Rationale:

- Unclear how security assessments are performed
- Unclear if security assessments are comprehensive enough to satisfy the intent of Security Risk Assessment.

Evidence:

- A security assessment is performed on any change created as part of a Systems Engineering (SE) activity. [Systems Engineering Management Plan]
- Security assessments are completed at each relevant SE Lifecycle stage. [Systems Engineering Management Plan]
- For unaccredited systems, a security risk assessment incorporates relevant content from engineering artifacts. [System Security Plan]

CSER: *Summary*

Customer Types:

- Foreign Military Sales (FMS) (1 pilot)

Time to conduct:

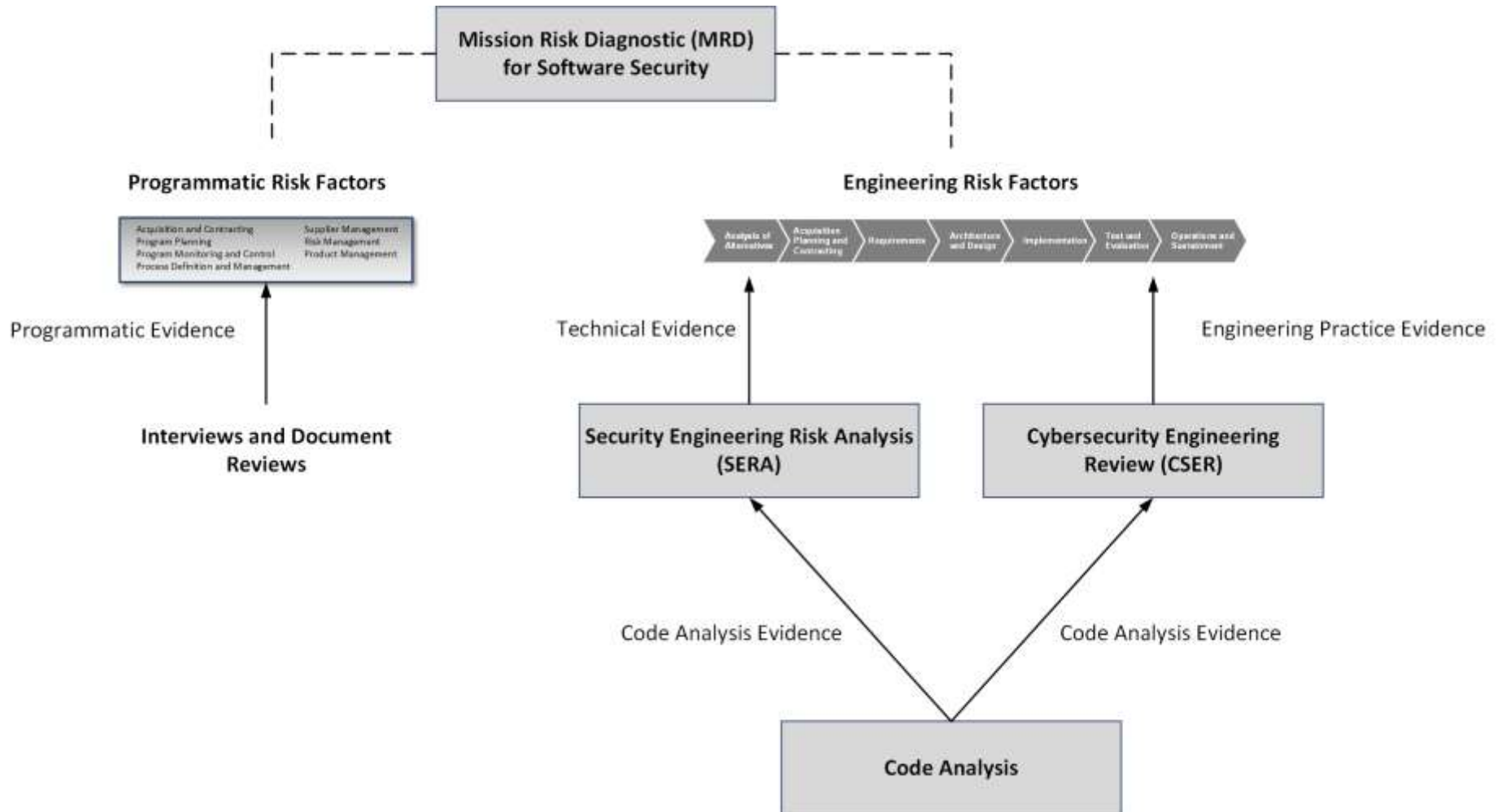
- 1-3 months (depending on scope)

CSE: SA Assessments

Summary



Summary: SA CSE Assessments



Key Points

SEI CSE research is defining an approach for integrating software security engineering with SSE across the acquisition lifecycle.

Assessments are a key component of the SEI CSE strategy.

- Mission Risk Diagnostic (MRD)
- Security Engineering Risk Analysis (SERA)
- Cybersecurity Engineering Review (CSER)

We have worked with UPMC, VA, DHS, MDA, CROWS, GBSD, NC3, HBI, NASA, ATEC, Dept. of Commerce, Telemedicine and Advanced Technology Research Center (TATRC) to name a few.

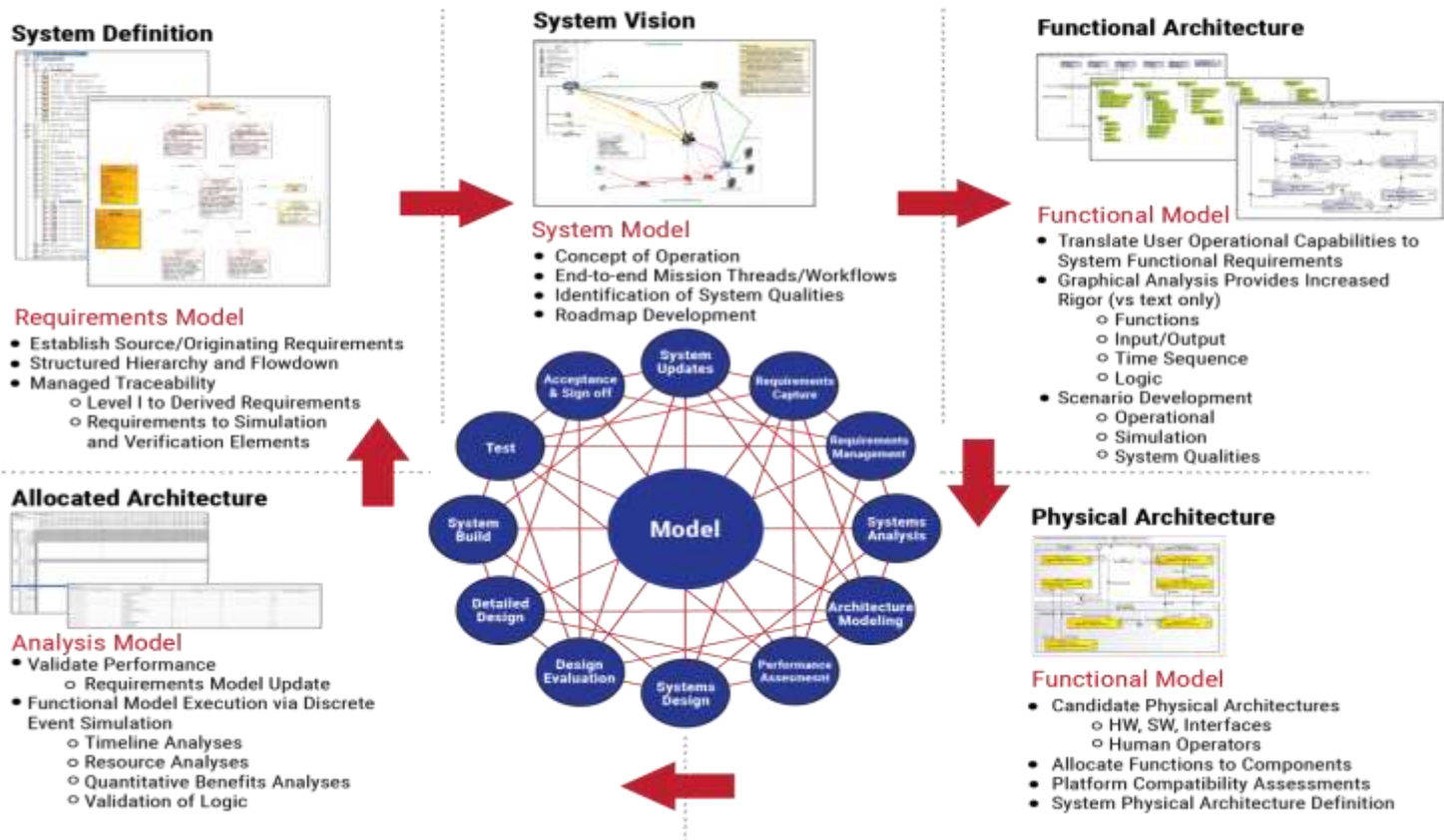
The CERT Situational Analysis Team is looking to expand its portfolio for its assessments.

SEI's Approach to Mission Engineering and Mission Assurance

Architecture/Acquisition Needs/Support



Model Based Systems Engineering



System-of-Systems (SoS), System, and Software Architecture

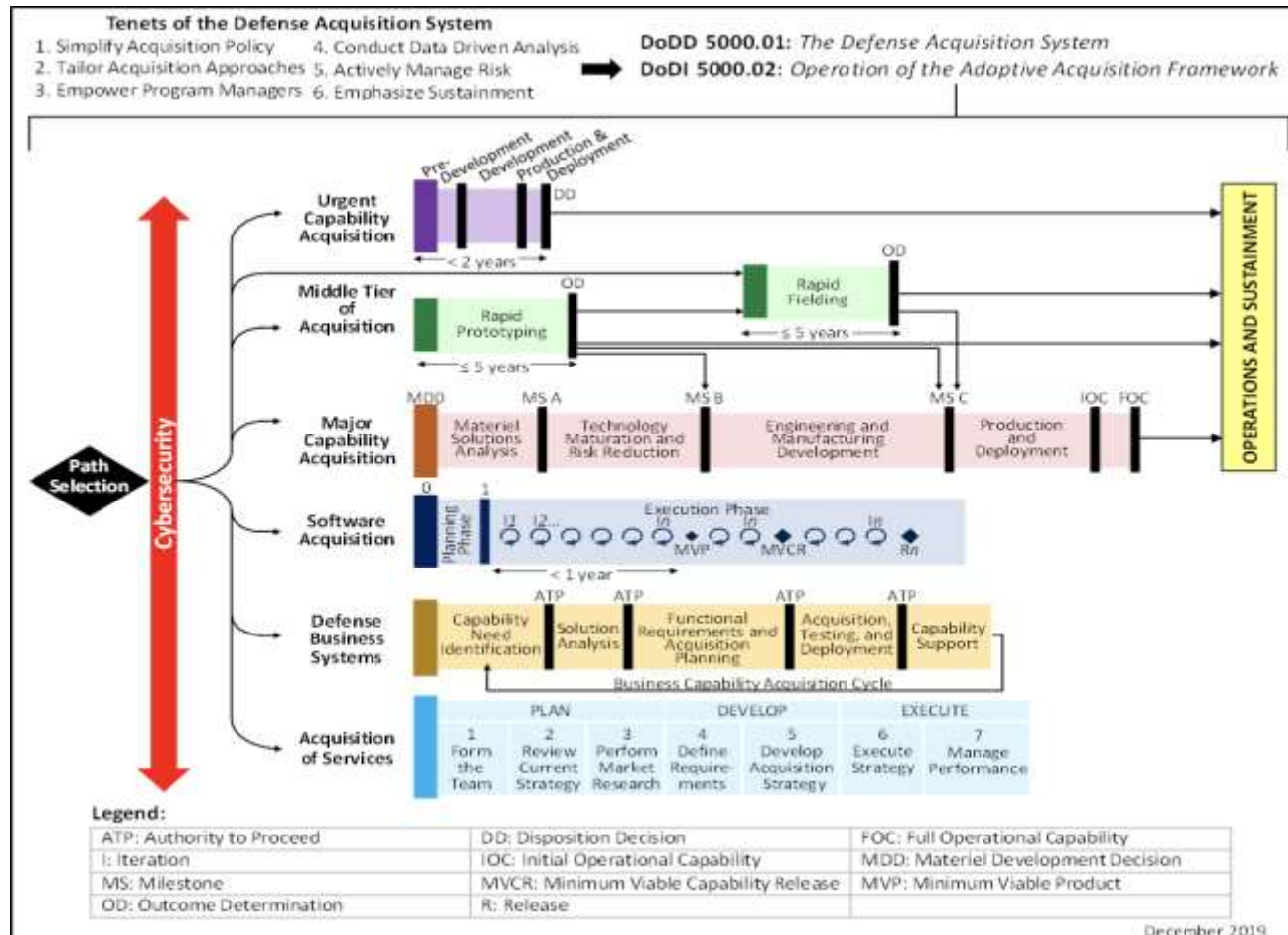
Need to develop documentation to support architecture analysis of the implementation, operation, and security of autonomous ground-based systems which operate in hybrid, multi-cloud, multiple security enclaves development, production, and test environments where Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning (AI/ML) approaches/solutions can be applied to support autonomous operations. in a digital engineering environment.

What that will entail

- Development of conceptual, capability, operational, systems/services, and stakeholder architecture views that will provide a vision for the system which include the conceptual, logical, and physical designs. (system security engineering)
 - As-Is and To-Be architectures.
 - operational, developmental, and lifecycle support mission threads and scenarios to help provide a vision for the systems to enhance concept of operations (CONOPs) development.
 - Mission-specific reference architectures for the vehicle systems.
- Requirements development, consolidation, and refinement which includes gathering objectives and identifying mission, stakeholders, users, non-functional, and performance requirements.
 - Workflow integration.
 - Support for retrospective, streaming, and predictive analytics.
- Data security plan and methods to address storage and retrieval of data of various sensitivities, both for datasets and analytical output.
- Business case and comparative analysis of capabilities and operational activities in support of transitioning to cloud services, AI/ML, and zero trust architecture.
- Expertise and training is needed to support digital engineering environment and above mentioned technologies.

Adaptive Acquisition Framework: *Multiple Acquisition Pathways*

SA cybersecurity assessments can be tailored to multiple types of acquisitions.



SEI's Approach to Mission Engineering and Mission Assurance

Resilience Management Overview



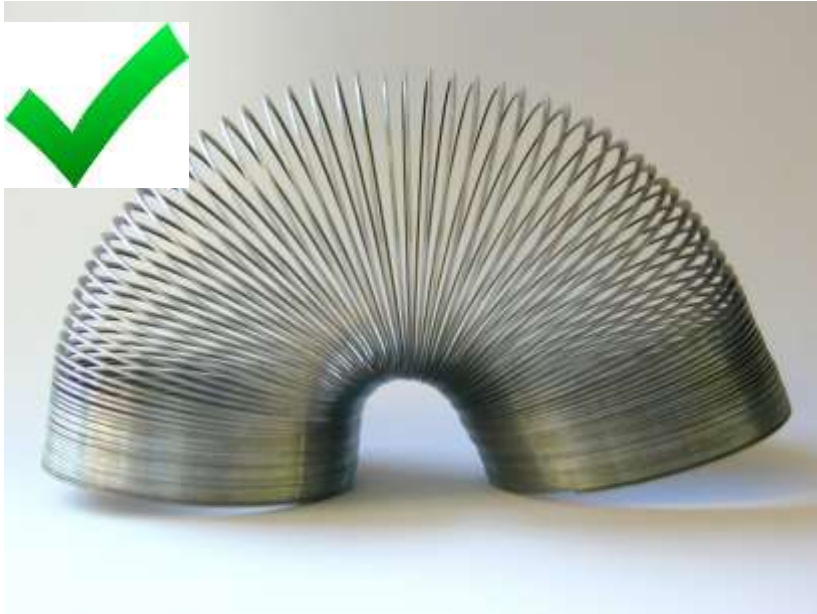
Operational Resilience Defined

Resilience: The physical property of a material when it can return to its original shape or position after deformation that does not exceed its elastic limit
[wordnet.princeton.edu]

Operational resilience: The *emergent* property of an *organization* that can *continue to carry out its mission* after *disruption* that *does not exceed* its *operational* limit[CERT-RMM]



Like a Slinky....



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EZL6RGkPjws>

ERM and ORM

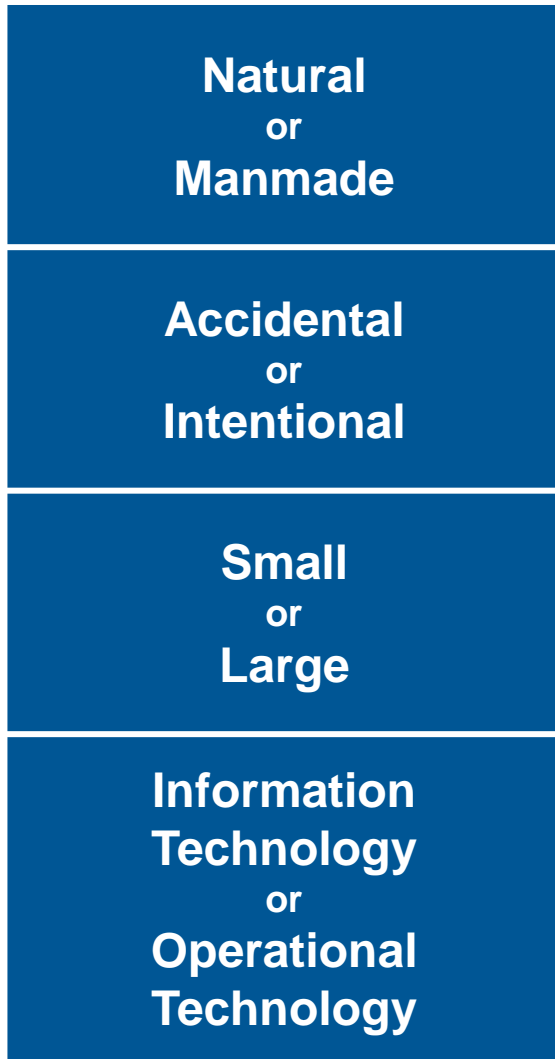


Operational risk management (ORM) is a significant subset of ERM.

ORM addresses day-to-day risks that can affect the organization's ability to carry out its mission.

Failure to manage operational risk can have significant impact on the organization's ERM process.

Scope of Operational Stress



Technology



Information



People



Facilities

Challenges to the Operational Mission



The operational **mission** of organizations is regularly **under stress**.



430 JL 7362	11:20am		Cancelled
914 US 2554	1:20pm	G3	Cancelled
853 AS 4233	3:15pm	G2A	Cancelled
070 BA 4925	10:25am	H1A	Cancelled
699 US 8435	1:10pm	H5	Cancelled
288 US 8393	10:15am	H6	Cancelled
268 JL 7366	12:47pm	H3A	Cancelled
361 BA 6746	12:00pm	H2	Cancelled
303 BA 1755	2:20pm	L6A	Cancelled
322 GF 4374	1:55pm	H8	On Time
642 US 8445	9:10am		

The stress comes from **disruptive events** affecting business operations.



Disruptive Events...



Asset Types Essential to Operational Resilience



Technology



Information



People



Facilities

Assets as “Containers”

Often, assets are containers of other assets. Facility assets may contain technology assets that, in turn, contain information assets to be stored, transported, or processed.

This concept is important because controls may be applied at the container level to meet the resilience requirements of the assets they contain.



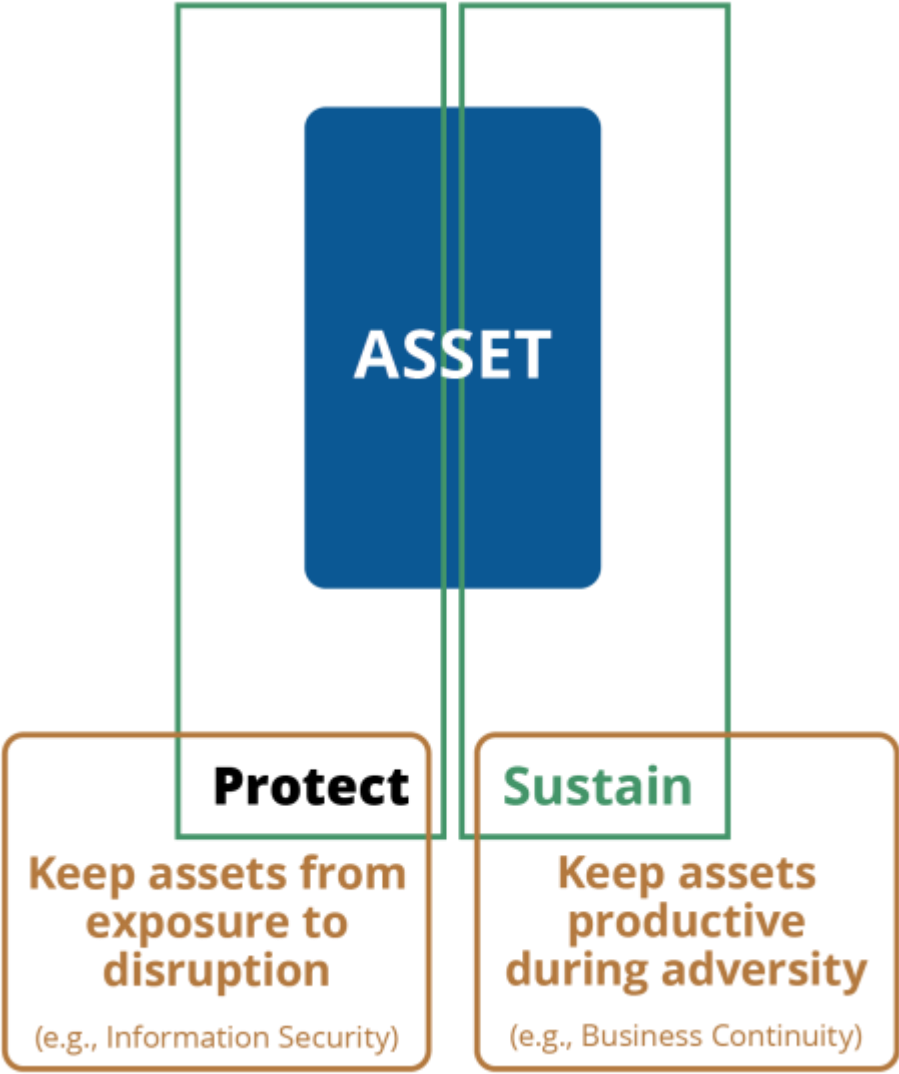
Putting Assets in Context



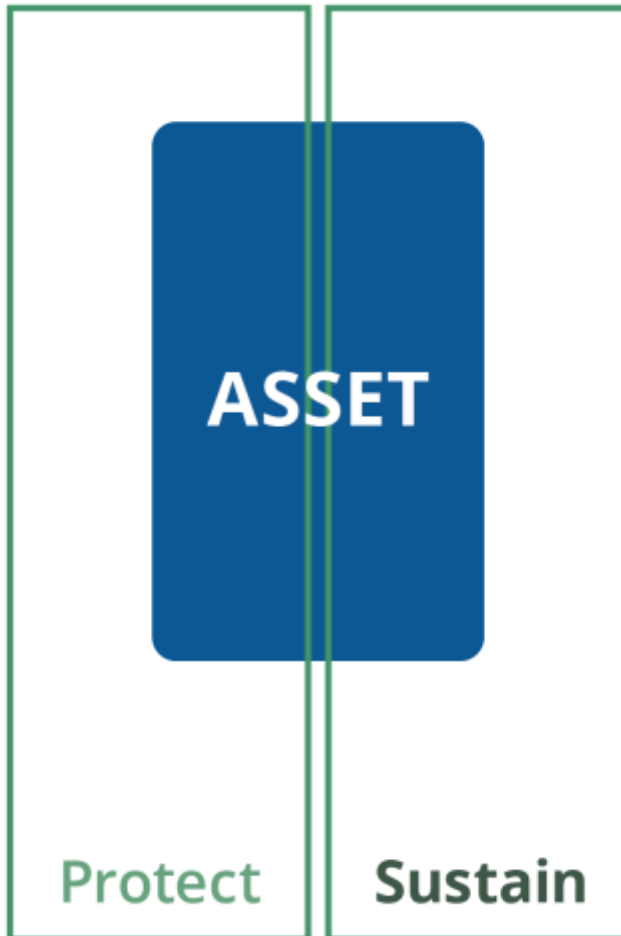
Relationships among assets have implications for resilience. Some assets are containers for others.

Information is the most embedded type of asset (i.e., resilience linked to technology, facilities, and people).

Operational Resilience Starts at the Asset Level



Protection Strategies

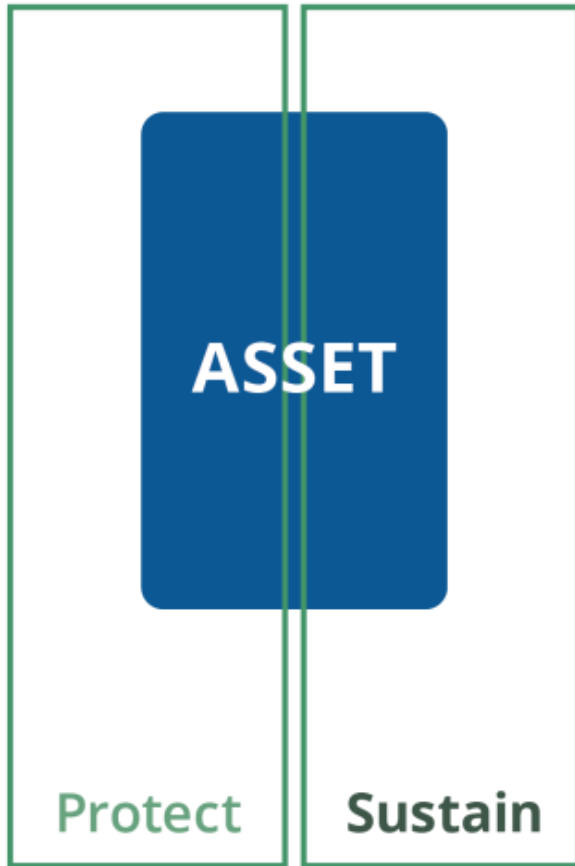


Translate into activities designed to keep assets from exposure to disruption

Typically **security** activities, but may also be embedded in IT operations activities

Instantiated through processes, procedures, policies, and controls

Sustainment Strategies



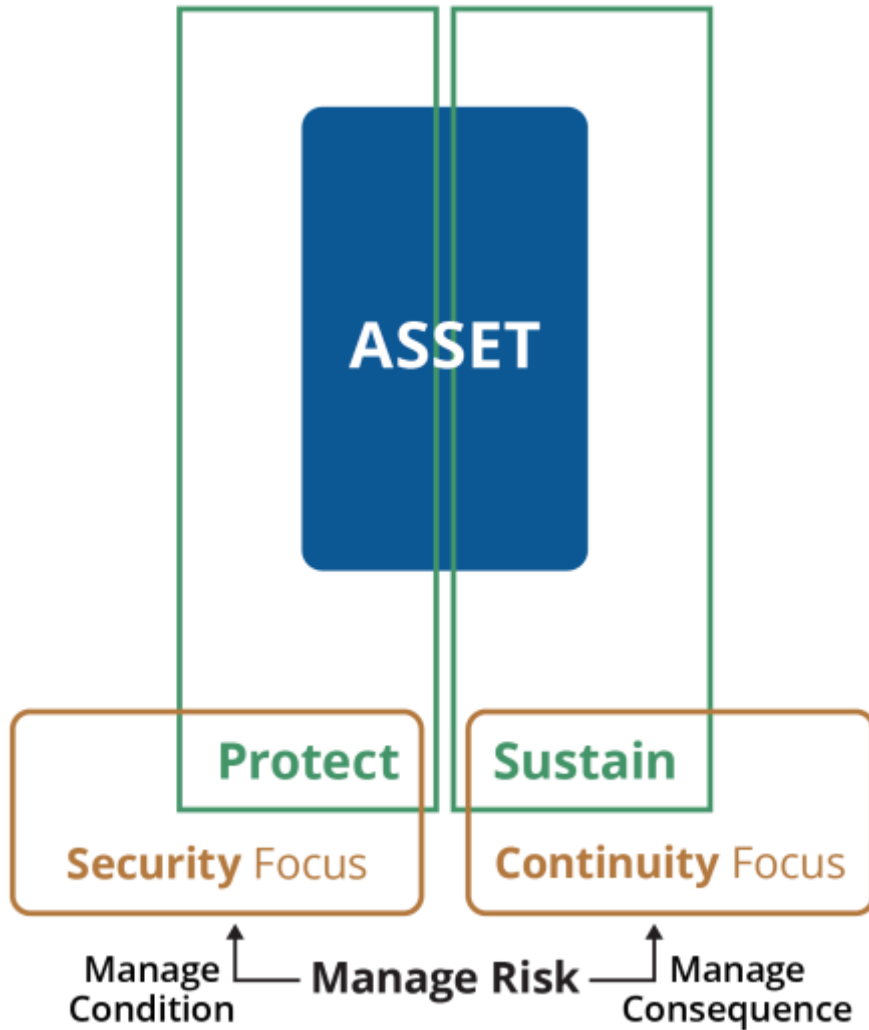
Translate into activities designed to keep assets productive during adversity

Keep an associated business process or service operable without the asset's contributions

Typically **business continuity** activities, but may also be embedded in IT operations activities

Instantiated through processes, procedures, policies, and controls

Efficiency

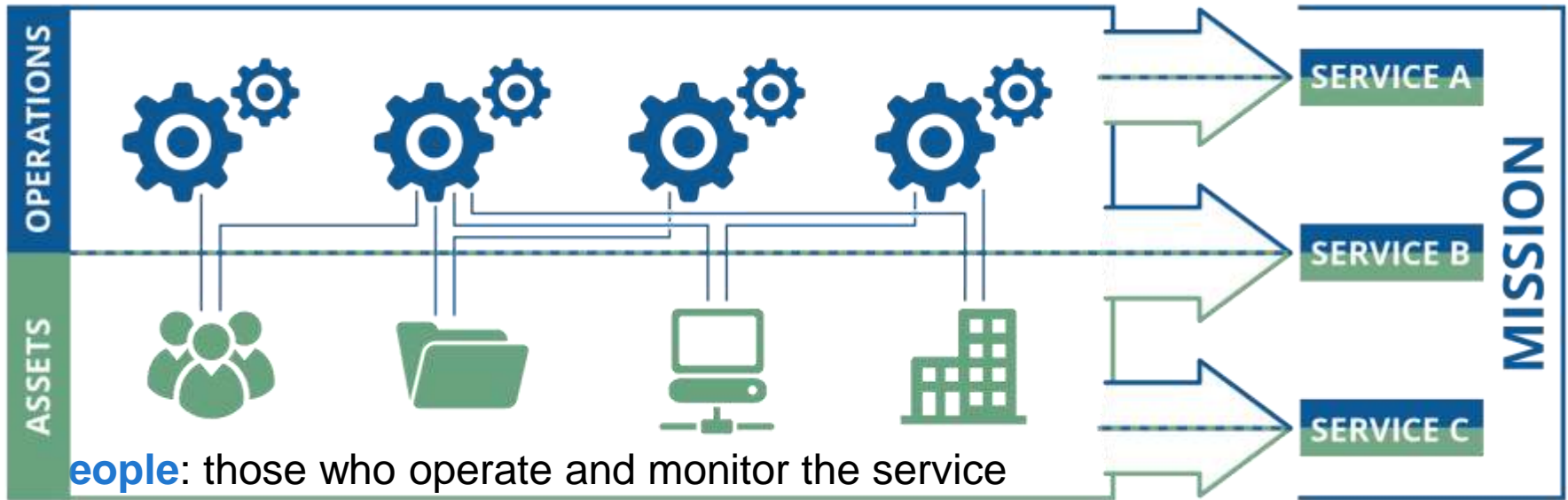


The optimal mix of protection and sustainment strategies

Depends on the **value** of the asset to the service and the **cost** of deploying and maintaining the strategy

The management challenge of operational resilience

Asset Support Services



People: those who operate and monitor the service

Information: data associated with the service

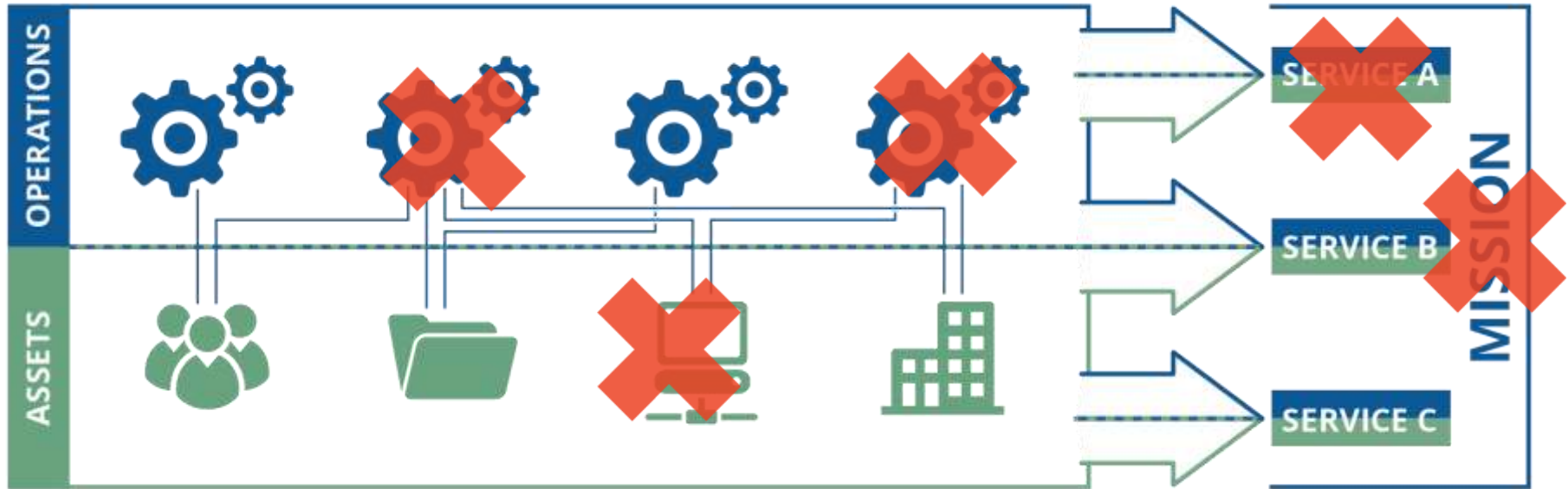
Technology: tools and equipment that automate and support the service

Facilities: where the service is performed



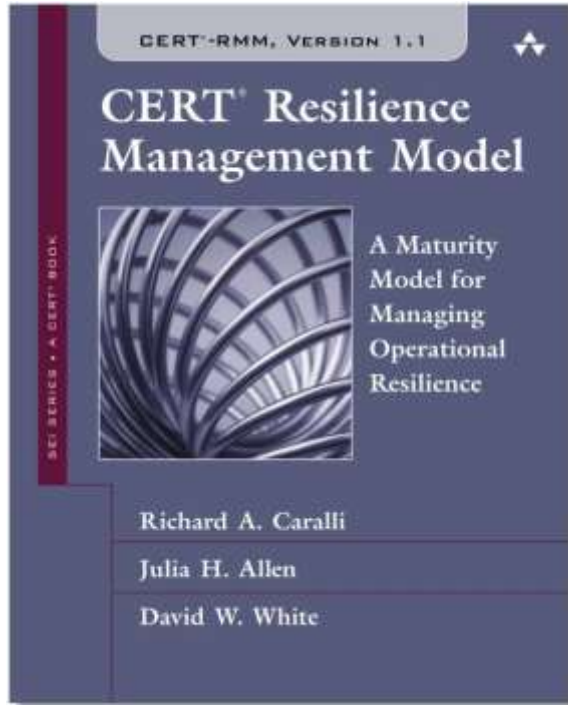
Assets derive their value from their importance in meeting the service mission.

Disruption of Assets Can Lead to Mission Failure



**Realized operational risk resulting
in asset disruption**

CERT Resilience Management Model (CERT-RMM)



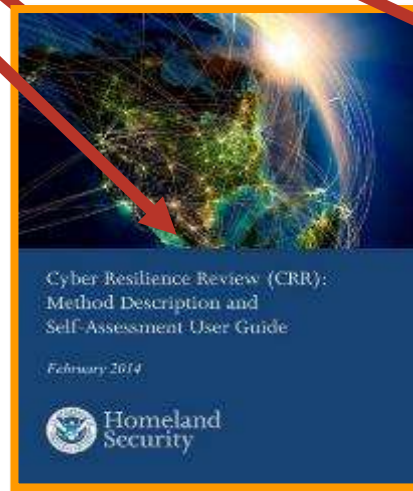
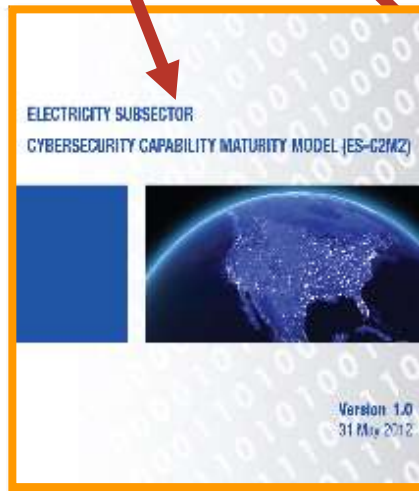
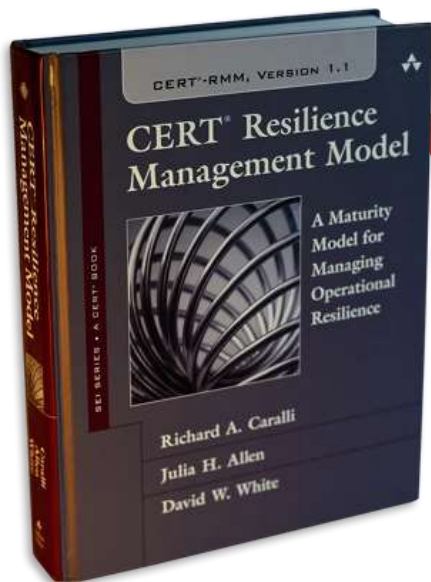
<http://www.cert.org/resilience/>

Framework for managing and improving operational resilience

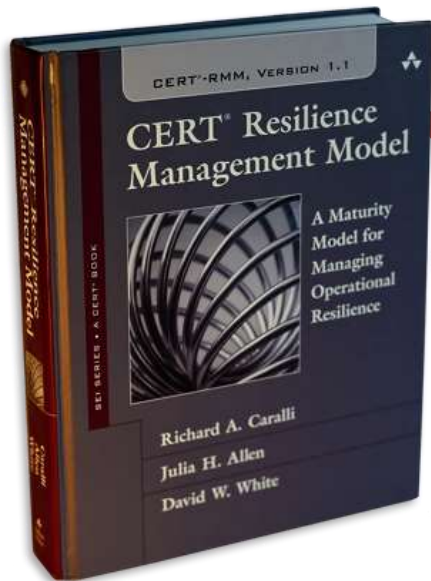
“...an extensive super-set of the things an organization could do to be more resilient.”

- CERT-RMM adopter

A Sampling of CERT-RMM Applications and Derivatives



Additional Success Stories for Department of Defense



Core Principle and Focus of CERT-RMM

Premise at the core of CERT-RMM

The ability of the organization to sustain operations in the face of operational risk is highly influenced by the quality of the process used to ensure assets remain protected and sustained.

Focus of CERT-RMM

Transforming some (emergent) quality of the organization, called operational resilience, focuses on the processes or activities that support operational resilience management system.

CERT-RMM Approach

**Operational Resilience
Management**

What to do

**Comprehensive non-
prescriptive guidance
on what to do to manage
operational resilience**

Process Dimension



**Institutionalization and
Improvement**

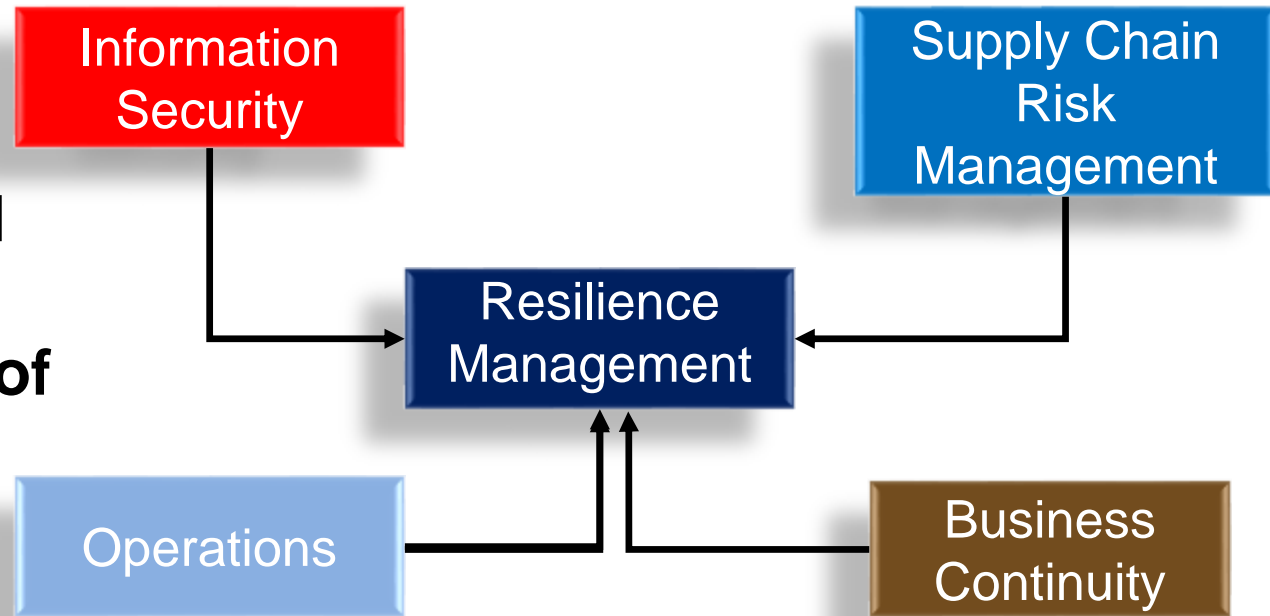
Making it stick

**Proven guidance for
institutionalizing processes
so that they persist over
time**

Capability Dimension

Convergence of Process

CERT-RMM
facilitates and
measures the
convergence of
disparate
critical
processes



CERT-RMM Numbers

4

Categories

26

Process
Areas

94

Specific
Goals

251

Specific
Practices

3

Generic
Goals
per process area

13

Generic
Practices
per process area

26 Process Areas in 4 Categories

Engineering

ADM	Asset Definition and Management
CTRL	Controls Management
RRD	Resilience Requirements Development
RRM	Resilience Requirements Management
RTSE	Resilient Technical Solution Engineering
SC	Service Continuity

Enterprise Management

COMM	Communications
COMP	Compliance
EF	Enterprise Focus
FRM	Financial Resource Management
HRM	Human Resource Management
OTA	Organizational Training and Awareness
RISK	Risk Management

Operations

AM	Access Management
EC	Environmental Control
EXD	External Dependencies Management
ID	Identity Management
IMC	Incident Management and Control
KIM	Knowledge and Information Management
PM	People Management
TM	Technology Management
VAR	Vulnerability Analysis and Resolution

Process Management

MA	Measurement and Analysis
MON	Monitoring
OPD	Organizational Process Definition
OPF	Organizational Process Focus

Example: Managing Cloud Computing

Engineering

ADM	Asset Definition and Management
CTRL	Controls Management
RRD	Resilience Requirements Development
RRM	Resilience Requirements Management
RTSE	Resilient Technical Solution Engineering
SC	Service Continuity

Enterprise Management

COMM	Communications
COMP	Compliance
EF	Enterprise Focus
FRM	Financial Resource Management
HRM	Human Resource Management
OTA	Organizational Training and Awareness
RISK	Risk Management

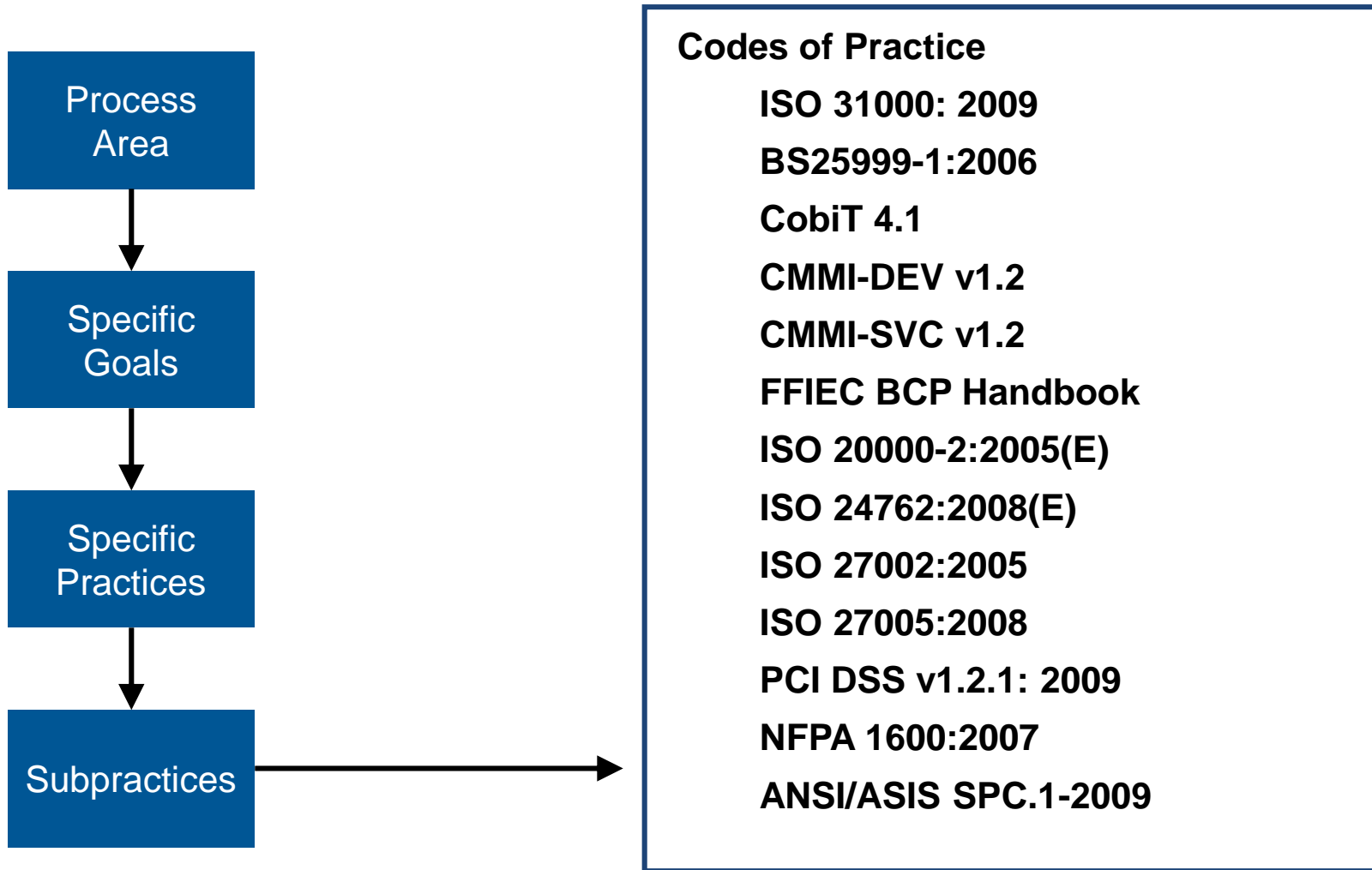
Operations

AM	Access Management
EC	Environmental Control
EXD	External Dependencies Management
ID	Identity Management
IMC	Incident Management and Control
KIM	Knowledge and Information Management
PM	People Management
TM	Technology Management
VAR	Vulnerability Analysis and Resolution

Process Management

MA	Measurement and Analysis
MON	Monitoring
OPD	Organizational Process Definition
OPF	Organizational Process Focus

CERT-RMM Links to Codes of Practice





Resilience Management Overview

The Role of Risk Management

Risk Management Is a Lynchpin Activity

Enterprise (Governance)

- **Governance addresses risk from an enterprise perspective by developing a comprehensive governance structure and organization-wide risk management strategy.**



Service (Business Process)

- **A business process addresses risk from a service and business process perspective and is guided by the risk decisions at the enterprise level.**



Asset (Environment of Operations)

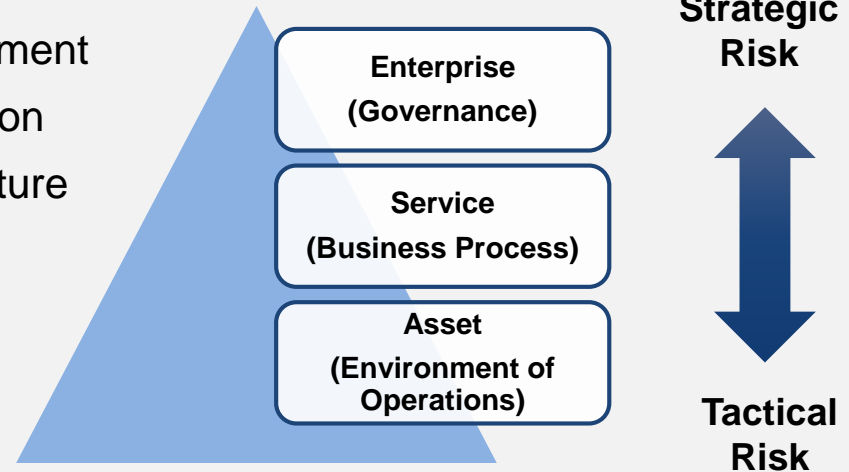
- **Risk decisions at the enterprise and service levels impact the ultimate selection and deployment of needed safeguards and countermeasures at the asset level.**

Risk Management Is a Team Sport

Risk management can be viewed as a holistic activity that is fully integrated into every aspect of the organization:

- enterprise level
- service and business process level
- asset level

- multi-tier organization-wide risk management
- implemented by the risk executive function
- tightly coupled to the enterprise architecture and information security architecture
- system development life-cycle focus
- disciplined and structured process
- flexible and agile implementation



Outcomes of Risk Management

An understanding of

- the organization's threat, vulnerability, and risk profile
- risk exposure
- potential consequences of compromise
 - awareness of risk management priorities based on potential consequences

A risk mitigation strategy sufficient to achieve an acceptable level of residual risk

Organizational acceptance/transference based on an understanding of potential consequences of residual risk

Integration as “business as usual”

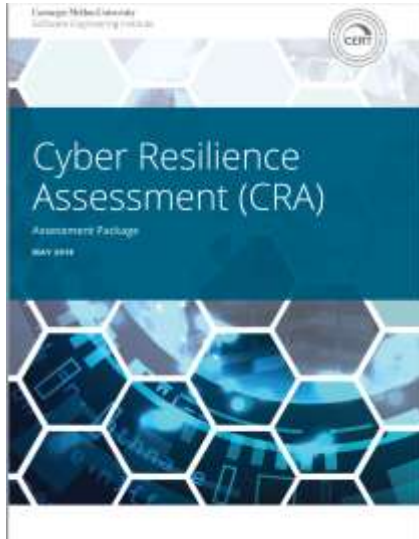
Compliance as a by-product

SEI's Approach to Mission Engineering and Mission Assurance

Cyber Resilience Assessment Architecture Assessment



Cyber Resilience Assessment (CRA)



Purpose: Help organizations assess their operational resilience and cybersecurity practices:

- as it relates to a specific critical service
- across ten foundational cybersecurity domains
- based on the organization's unique risk profile

Delivery: The CRA is *facilitated* by SEI cybersecurity professionals

Output: The CRA provides an organization with a report detailing its capability and maturity in security management. The CRA also allows an organization to compare its capabilities to the criteria of the NIST Cybersecurity Framework (CSF)

Overview of the CRA

The CRA is a structured assessment conducted during a **one-day facilitated session**.

The CRA session is facilitated by multiple SEI Navigators who solicit answers to **297 questions**.

The CRA results are made available in a **summary report** that provides the organization with suggested **options for consideration**.

Cyber Resilience Assessment - Domains

Asset Management

Controls Management

Configuration and Change Management

Incident Management

Vulnerability Management

Risk Management

Service Continuity Management

External Dependency Management

Training and Awareness

Situational Awareness

Cyber Resilience Assessment (CRA)

1 Asset Management

1 Asset Management

The purpose of Asset Management is to identify, document, and manage assets during their life cycle to ensure sustained productivity to support critical services.

Goal 1 - Services are identified and prioritized.		Yes	Incomplete	No	
1.	Are services identified? [SC:SG2.SP1]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	Are services prioritized based on analysis of the potential impact if the services are disrupted? [SC:SG2.SP1]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	Is the organization's mission, vision, values and purpose, including the organization's place in critical infrastructure, identified, and communicated? [EF:SG1.SP1]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Are the organization's mission, objectives, and activities prioritized? [EF:SG1.SP3]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Goal 2 - Assets are inventoried, and the authority and responsibility for these assets is established.		Yes	Incomplete	No	
1.	Are the assets that directly support the critical service inventoried (technology includes hardware, software, and external information systems)? [ADM:SG1.SP1]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	People	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Technology	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.	Do asset descriptions include protection and sustainment requirements? [ADM:SG1.SP2]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	People	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Information	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Technology	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cyber Resilience Assessment (CRA)

CRA Performance Summary

Domain Summary

MIL-1 Performed

Domain practices are being performed.

MIL-2 Planned:

Domain practices are supported by planning, policy, stakeholders, and standards.

MIL-3 Managed:

Domain practices are supported by governance and adequate resources.

MIL-4 Measured:

Domain practices are supported by measurement, monitoring, and executive oversight.

MIL-5 Defined:

Domain practices are supported by enterprise standardization and analysis of lessons learned.

Domain	MIL-1 Performed	MIL-2 Planned	MIL-3 Managed	MIL-4 Measured	MIL-5 Defined
Asset Management	G1 G2 G3 G4 G5 G6 G7	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3	Q1 Q2
Controls Management	G1 G2 G3 G4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3	Q1 Q2
Configuration and Change Management	G1 G2 G3	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3	Q1 Q2
Vulnerability Management	G1 G2 G3 G4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3	Q1 Q2
Incident Management	G1 G2 G3 G4 G5	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3	Q1 Q2
Service Continuity Management	G1 G2 G3 G4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3	Q1 Q2
Risk Management	G1 G2 G3 G4 G5	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3	Q1 Q2
External Dependencies Management	G1 G2 G3 G4 G5	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3	Q1 Q2
Training and Awareness	G1 G2	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3	Q1 Q2
Situational Awareness	G1 G2 G3	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3	Q1 Q2

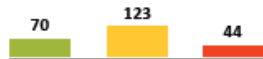
Legend: ■ = Performed ■ = Incompletely Performed ■ = Not Performed
 Q1 = Question Number G1 = Goal Number

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

10 | CRA

Cyber Resilience Assessment (CRA)

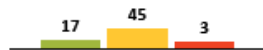
Total number of practices performed Total number of practices incompletely performed Total number of practices not performed



CRA MIL-1 Summary

DOMAIN SUMMARY

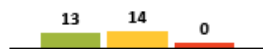
Asset Management



Controls Management



Configuration and Change Management



CRA MIL-1 Performance

Legend

- = Performed
- = Incompletely Performed
- = Not Performed

- Q1 = Question Number
- 1P = Question Number, People Asset
- 1I = Question Number, Information Asset
- 1T = Question Number, Technology Asset
- 1F = Question Number, Facilities Asset

MIL-1 PRACTICE LEVEL PERFORMANCE

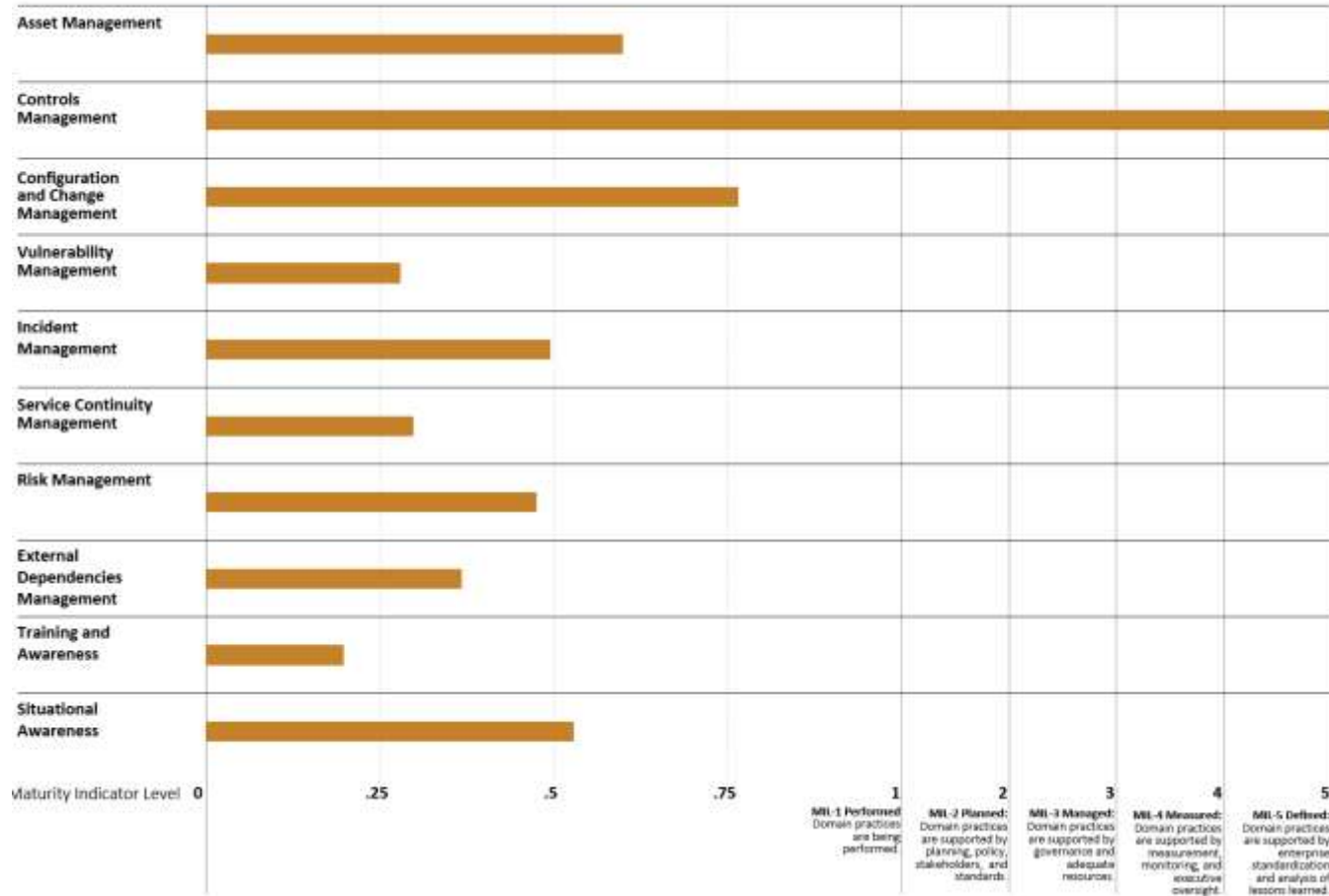
Goal 1 – Services are identified and prioritized.	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4
Goal 2 – Assets are inventoried, and the authority and responsibility for these assets is established.	1P 1I 1T 1F 2P 2I 2T 2F 3P 3I 3T 3F 4P 4I 4T 4F Q5
Goal 3 – The relationship between assets and the services they support is established.	1P 1I 1T 1F 2P 2I 2T 2F
Goal 4 – The asset inventory is managed.	1P 1I 1T 1F 2P 2I 2T 2F
Goal 5 – Access to assets is managed.	1I 1T 1F 2I 2T 2F 3I 3T 3F 4I 4T 4F 5I 5T 5F 6I 6T 6F
Goal 6 – Information assets are categorized and managed to ensure the sustainment and protection of the critical service.	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q5 Q6 Q7
Goal 7 – Facility assets supporting the critical service are prioritized and managed.	Q1 Q2 Q3
Goal 1 – Control objectives are established.	1P 1I 1T 1F Q2
Goal 2 – Controls are implemented.	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q5 Q6 Q7 Q8 Q9 Q10
Goal 3 – Control designs are analyzed to ensure they satisfy control objectives.	1P 1I 1T 1F Q2
Goal 4 – The internal control system is assessed to ensure control objectives are met.	1P 1I 1T 1F Q2
Goal 1 – The life cycle of assets is managed.	1I 1T 1F 2I 2T 2F Q3 Q4 Q5 Q6
Goal 2 – The integrity of technology and information assets is managed.	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q5 Q6 Q7 Q8 Q9 Q10 Q11
Goal 3 – Asset configuration baselines are established.	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q5 Q6

Cyber Resilience Assessment (CRA)

Summary of CRA Results

Maturity Indicator Level by Domain

Legend ■ = Your Results



SEI's Approach to Mission Engineering and Mission Assurance

Security Architecture Assessment



Summary

- In collaboration with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), SEI developed a methodology to assess the cybersecurity architecture of Federal Civilian Enterprise (FCE) High Value Assets (HVAs)
- SEI personnel performed as Technical Leads for more than 120 Security Architecture Reviews and High Value Asset Assessments in support of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) / DHS HVA Program

Assessment Methodology

Overview

- Holistic view of the security of a sensitive or mission-critical system
- Conducted utilizing the methods defined in National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Special Publication (SP) 800-53A:
 - Examine: The examine method is the process of reviewing, inspecting, observing, studying, or analyzing one or more assessment objects. (Document or Configuration Review)
 - Interview: The interview method is the process of holding discussions with individuals or groups of individuals within an organization (Technical Exchange Meetings)
 - Test: The test method is the process of exercising one or more assessment objects under specified conditions to verify and validate conformity or nonconformity with a requirement. (Penetration Tests)
- Security Controls assessment utilizing the High Value Asset (HVA) Overlay
 - NIST SP 800-53r5 Security Controls
 - Specific requirements/parameters required for HVAs

Assessment Methodology

Domains

- Network-Based Protections
- Identity and Access Management
- Application Security
- System-Based Protections
- Service Continuity
- Risk Management
- Incident Management
- Continuous Monitoring
- Data Security
- Enterprise Processes and Capabilities
- Penetration Tests

Assessment Methodology Enhancements

- Incident Response Evaluations
- Specific Threat Scenarios
- Threat Modeling
- Reference Architectures

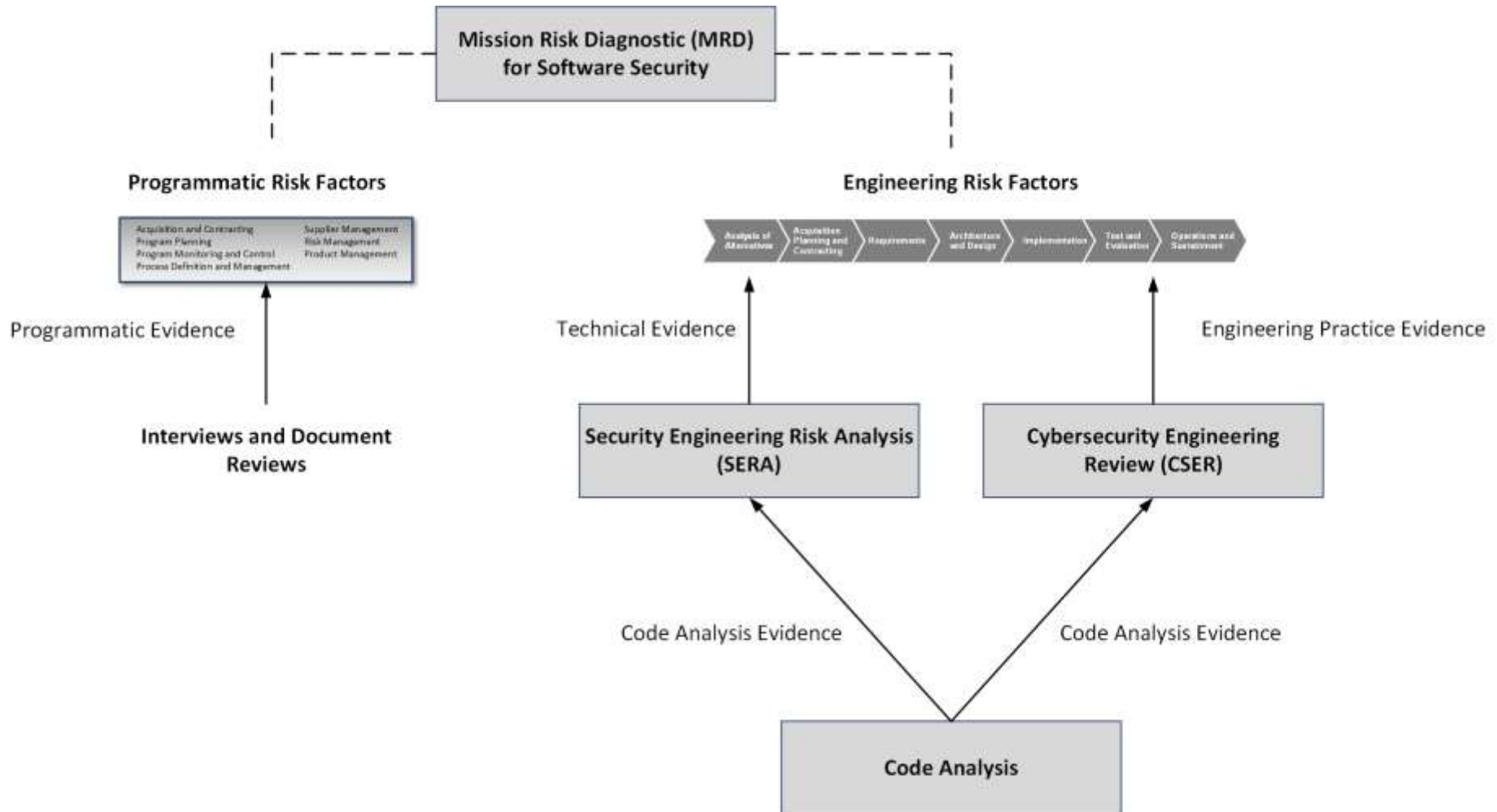
Assessment Results

- Business Impact Analysis
- Key Observations
- Risks
- Recommendations
- High Value Asset (HVA) Overlay Analysis
- Penetration Test Findings

SEI's Approach to Mission Engineering and Mission Assurance Summary



Summary: SA CSE Assessments



Key Points

SEI CSE research is defining an approach for integrating software security engineering with SSE across the acquisition lifecycle.

Assessments are a key component of the SEI CSE strategy.

- Mission Risk Diagnostic (MRD)
- Security Engineering Risk Analysis (SERA)
- Cybersecurity Engineering Review (CSER)

The CERT Situational Analysis Team is looking to expand its portfolio for its assessments.

Operational Resilience Key Points

Operational Resilience is a critical element that minimizes disruption in times of peril.

- CERT RMM is predictive of future behaviors despite disruptive events based upon its measures of maturity
- CERT RMM has proven itself with a diverse set of derivatives in a broad customer set
- CERT RMM can be leveraged by any organization, regardless of its current degree of maturity

The Cyber Resilience Assessment (CRA) and Security Architecture Assessment (SAA) gages overall resilience measures across a variety of high value assets.

Questions Concerning Build Security In?

Chris Alberts

Principle Cyber Security Analyst

Telephone: +1 412.268.3045

Email: cja@cert.org

Carol Woody

Principal Researcher

Telephone: +1 412.770.5133

Email: cwoody@sei.cmu.edu

Tim Morrow

Technical Manager, Situational
Awareness

Telephone: +1 412.268.4792

Email: tbm@sei.cmu.edu

Questions Concerning Operational Resilience?

Jason Fricke

Senior Cybersecurity Engineer

Telephone: +1 571.423.9600

Email: jfricke@cert.org

Brett Tucker, PMP, CSSBB, CISSP

Technical Manager, Cyber Risk Management

Telephone: +1 412.268.6682

Email: batucker@sei.cmu.edu

Questions Concerning Business Development?

Frank Redner

Program Development Manager

Telephone: +1 703.247.1347

Email: fredner@sei.cmu.edu