

# Web-based Modules for Cyberphysical Systems Security

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# Introduction

## Project Objective:

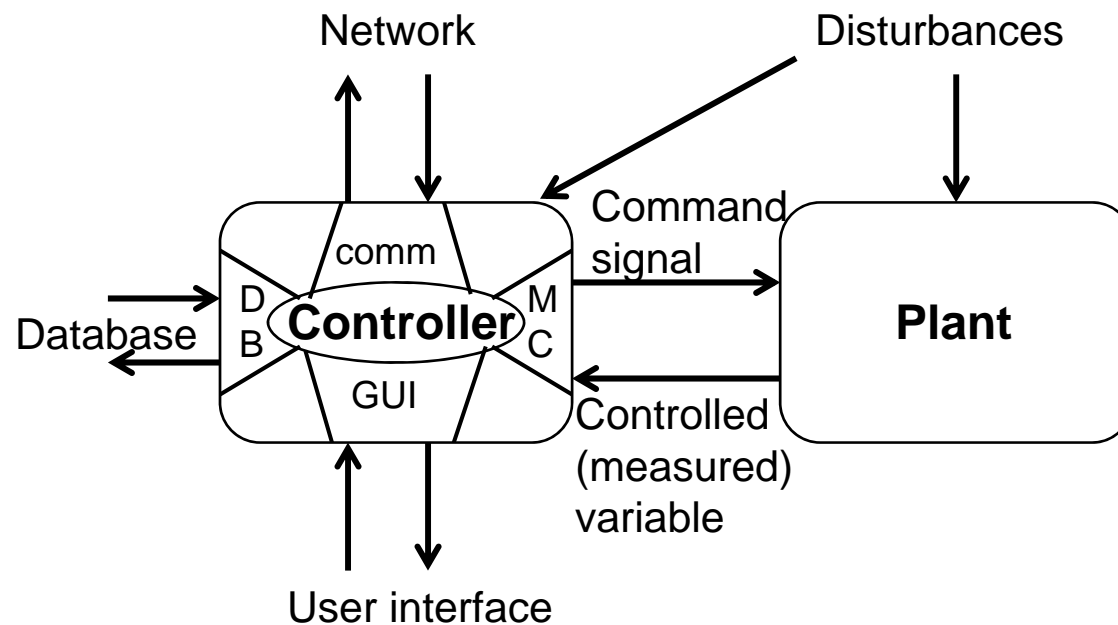
Develop a systematic approach to cyberphysical systems security curriculum.

## Systematic approach is based on:

- global view of security as a system property
- strict definitions of security terms
- distinction between theory, experiments and simulations.

# Introduction

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Security violations can be viewed as disturbances to the operation and functioning of its interfaces.

Its security surface has four major interfaces:

- Process Interface
- User Interface
- Database Interface
- Network Interface.

# Security Curriculum Development

- T. Stapko, Practical Embedded Security, 2008
  - Computer Security: Introduction and Review
  - Network Comm. Protocols and Built-in Security
  - Security Protocols and Algorithms
  - Data Protection Protocols for Embedded Systems
  - Embedded Security and Wireless
  - Application Layer and Client/Server Protocols
  - Crypto. Algorithms for resource-Constrained Systems
  - Hardware-based Security
  - Misc. Security Issues and Future of Emb. Syst. Security
  - Case Studies (PIC and Rabbot)

# Security Curriculum Development

- C.H. Gebotys, Security in Embed. Syst., 2010
  - Where Security Began
  - Intro to Secure Embedded Systems
  - The Key and Using Keys
  - Elliptic Curve Protocols
  - Symmetric Key Protocols Including Cyphers
  - Data Integrity and Message Authentication
  - Side Channel Attacks on Embedded Systems
  - Countermeasures
  - Reliable Testable Secure Systems
  - Summary, Standards, and Ongoing Efforts.

# Security Curriculum Development

- D. & M. Kleidermacher

## Embedded Systems Security, 2012

- Intro to Embedded Systems Security
- Systems Software Considerations
- Secure Embedded Software Development
- Data Protection Protocols for Embedded Systems
- Emerging Applications



# Security Curriculum Development

- The approach is based on the following criteria:
  - Systematic view of security
  - Contents of professional books available
  - Practical timeframe limitations
- The following topic groups have been selected:
  - General education modules:  
*Intro to Computer Security; Elements of Cryptography*
  - Security of specific technologies:  
*FPGA Security; RFID Security; SCADA Security*
  - Software aspects of security:  
*Java Security; Threat Modeling.*

# Security Modules Development

- Pedagogy Consistent with ABET Requiements:
  - Learning Outcomes
  - Learning Objectives
  - Learning Activities
  - Assessment of Progress
- Each Module is structured as follows:
  - Module Objectives
  - Module Introduction
  - Student Activities:  
Suggested Readings & Hands-on Exercise
  - Assessment

# Security Modules

- Module #1 General Introduction to Computer Security

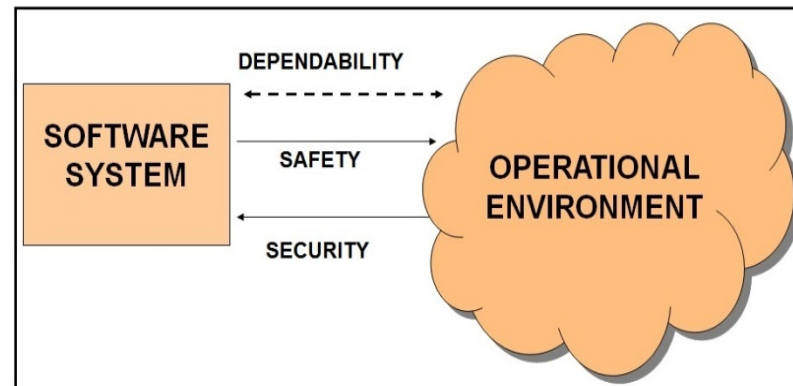
- Definition of security as a system property

*security*. In computing, the degree to which information is protected from unauthorized access, given that authorized access is not denied.

- Relationship between security, safety, reliability, dependability.

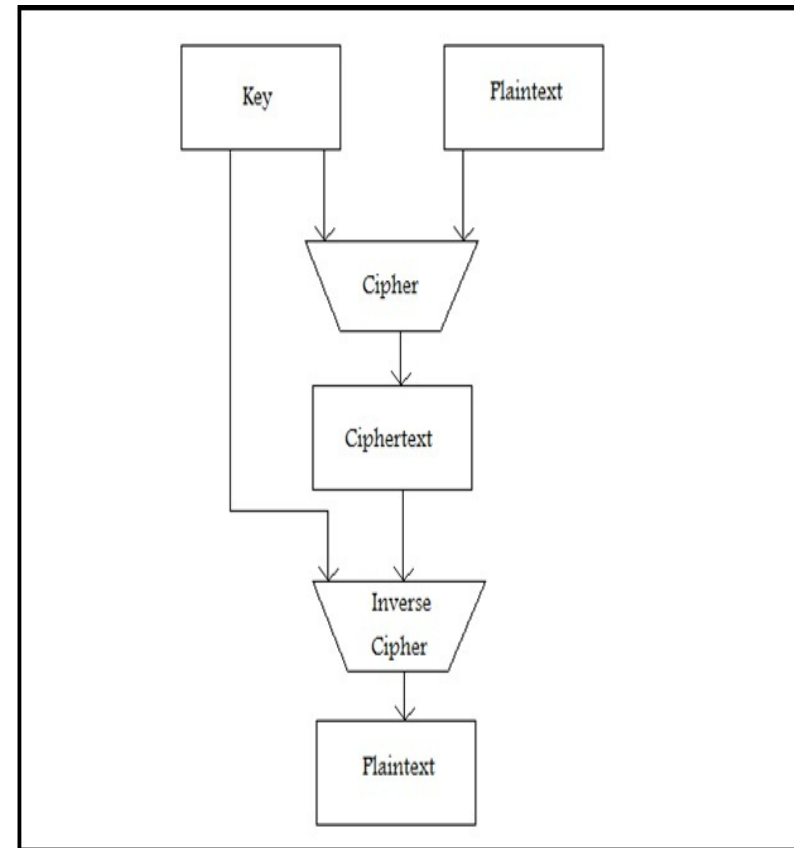
- Major question

*What are the vulnerabilities of a computer (including computer network) and how to prevent the attackers from exploiting them?*



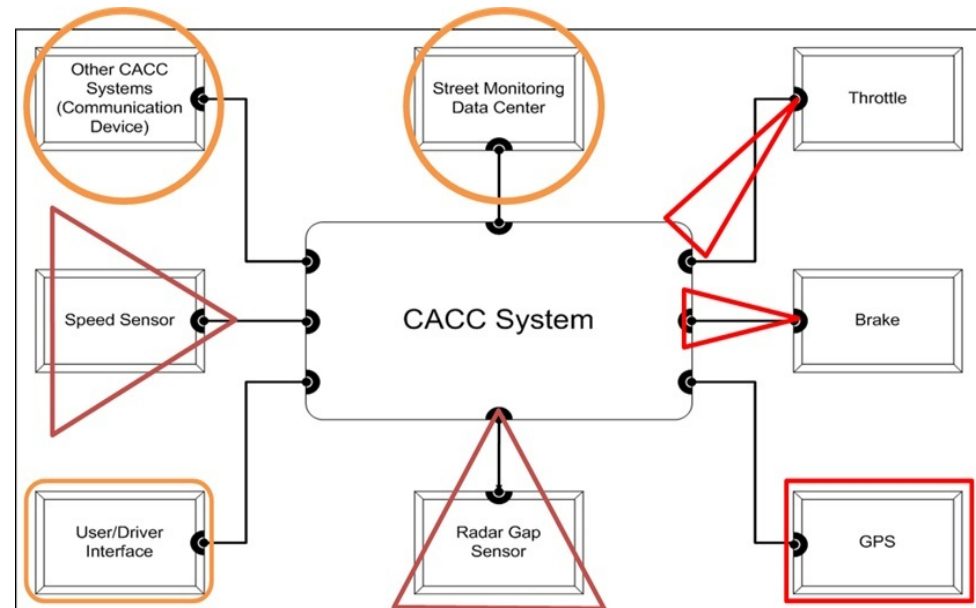
# Security Modules

- Module #2 Introduction to Cryptography
  - Major question  
*What are the principles of encrypting information, so only designated parties could read it?*
  - Principles and major algorithms of encryption: AES, RSA, and others



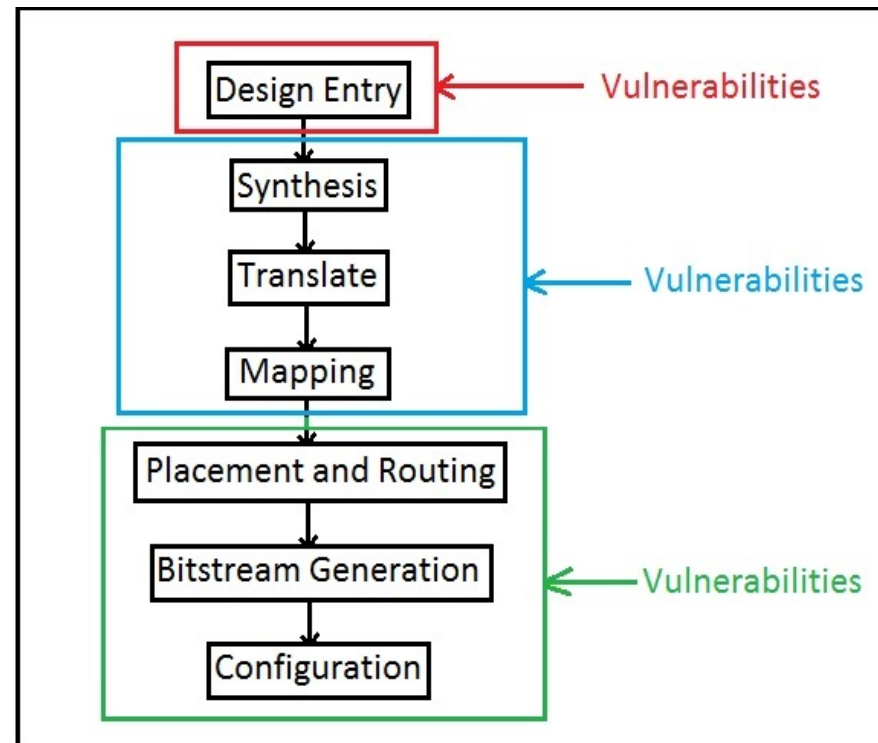
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- Module #3 Embedded Systems Security
  - Major question: What is specific about embedded systems that makes them different regarding security?
  - Specific aspects:
    - Confidentiality of a User Interface
    - Integrity of sensors and actuators
    - Availability of the database interface
    - All 3 for networks



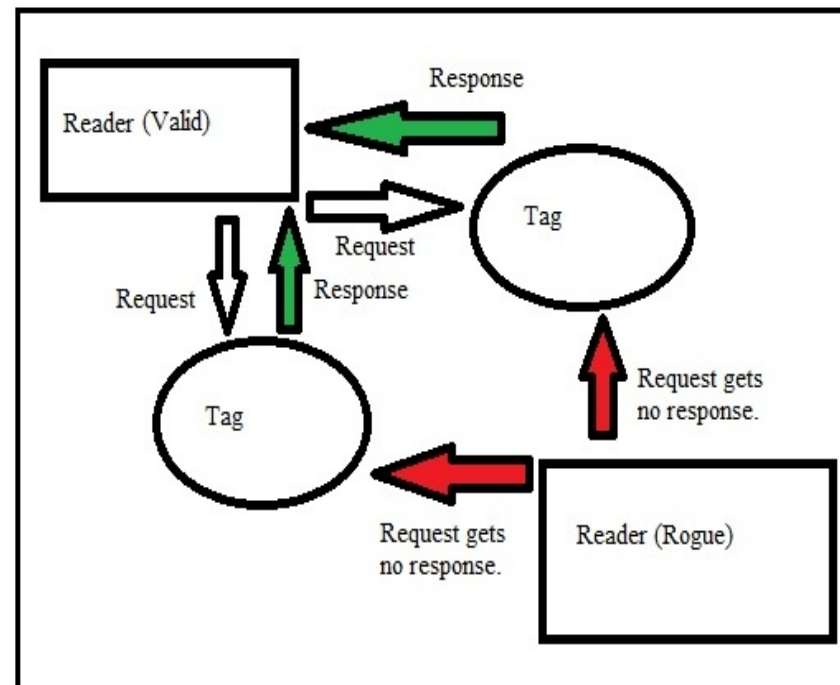
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- Module #4 FPGA Security
  - Major question: What are the typical vulnerabilities of FPGA circuits?
  - Specific aspects: (chances that circuit can be compromised)
    - Design
    - Manufacturing
    - Assembly
    - Distribution



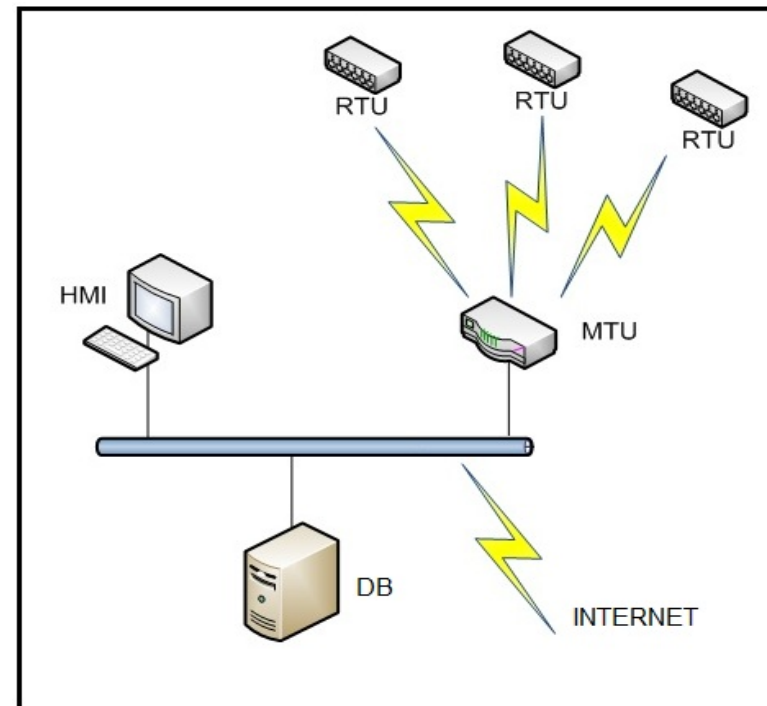
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- Module #5 RFID Security
  - Major question: What are the typical vulnerabilities of RFID systems?
  - Specific aspects:
    - Spoofing Identity
    - Data Tempering
    - Repudiation
    - Info Disclosure
    - Denial of Service
    - Elevation of Privilege



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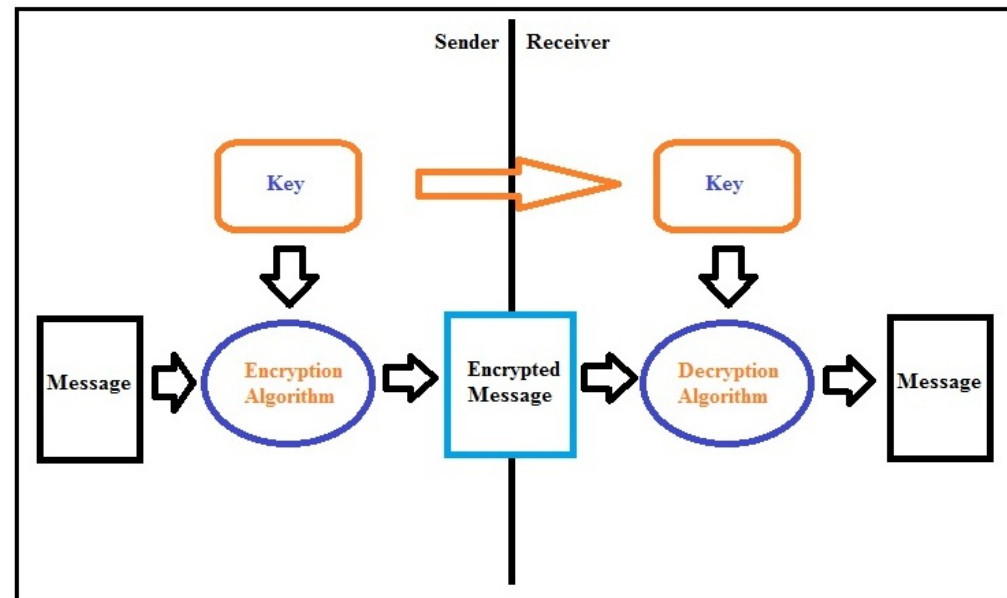
- Module #6 SCADA Security
  - Major aspect: Typical Vulnerabilities.
  - Specific aspects:
    - Spoofing
    - Encryption attacks
    - Signature attacks
    - Protocol attacks
    - Replay of messages
    - Data tempering
    - Eavesdropping.





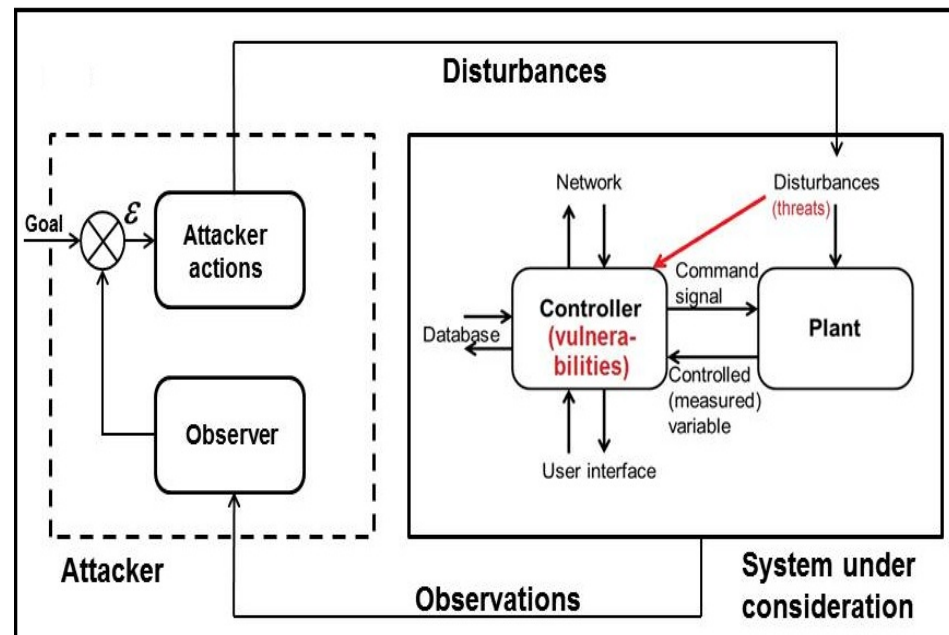
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- Module #7 Java Security
  - Major question: How to secure Java applications so that messages sent between Java programs cannot be compromised?
  - Some solutions:
    - Use SSL
    - Data Encryption
    - Authentication
    - Authorization.



# Security Modules

- Module #8 Threat Modeling
  - Major question: How to capture vulnerabilities for embedded system security analysis using modeling?
  - Typical approach:
    - Understand the Adversary's View
    - Create a Model
    - Determine and Investigate Threats
    - Mitigate Threats
    - Validate Mitigations



# Cybersecurity Concentration

- State of Florida is eager to become the Cyber State:  
<http://www.usf.edu/pdfs/final-cybersecurity-report.pdf>
- FGCU has submitted a grant proposal to the State to establish a Cybersecurity Concentration:
  - Students may complete the first 2 years at the State College and the next 2 years at FGCU
  - Two concentration paths can be pursued at FGCU:
    - Software Engineering, or
    - Computer Information Systems

*Courtesy Dr. Dahai Guo, FGCU*

# Cybersecurity Concentration

- Concentration in Cybersecurity includes:
  - Cyber Security I and II
  - Secure Software Development
  - Information Assurance
  - Cryptography and Data Security
  - Senior Design in Software Security
  - All in the context of the Software Engineering program.

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# Cybersecurity Concentration

- Other highlights:
  - The curriculum includes certifications
  - Resources for students to pursue certifications
  - Support for faculty to pursue certifications
  - The concentration can prepare students for entering graduate schools.

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# Conclusion and Future Work

- Eight modules developed
- Availability via the web:  
<http://satnet.fgcu.edu/CEN3213/>
- Offered in two courses:
  - CEN 3213 Embedded Systems Programming
  - CNT 4104 Senior Project in Computer Networks
- Considered for adoption at other universities

# Conclusion and Future Work

## New Modules under Development

- Operating System Security
- Security Protocols for Cyberphysical Systems
- Tools for Security Analysis
- Security Measurement
- others under consideration

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