

INTEGRATING SAFETY AND SECURITY FOR CYBER-PHYSICAL SYSTEMS

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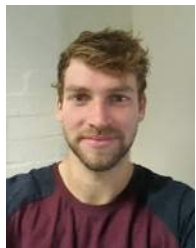
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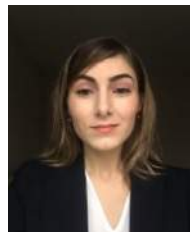
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Our Mission

Our core mission is to **research** and **engineer** secure and resilient cyber-physical systems for **automotive** and **transport industry**, working in collaboration with partners in industry, academia and government

Sample Projects

SECURE CAV

Funding: £2.8M

Duration: November 2019 – November 2021

Partners: Mentor (part of Siemens), University of Southampton, Copper Horse Ltd.

SecureCAV is developing the world's first on-chip and in-life monitoring solution to detect system anomalies at clock-speed, be vendor-neutral, non-intrusive, runtime configurable and far less prone to hacking

As part of this, SSG is building a dedicated hardware-in-the-loop testbed for automotive cybersecurity threat detection and in-life vehicle monitoring techniques



5G CAL

Funding: £4.9M

Duration: August 2020 – March 2022

5G Enabled Connected Autonomous Vehicle Logistics

Partners: North East Automotive Alliance, Sunderland City Council, Newcastle University, Vantec, Connected Places Catapult, StreetDrone, and Perform Green

The project is testing self-driving heavy goods vehicles to evaluate how 5G connectivity can improve productivity through enhanced transport and logistics

SSG will undertake a thorough cybersecurity assessment of 5G connectivity and remote operation of vehicle control



Safety and security integration



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Safety and security

- Safety and security are two crucial properties (qualities) of systems
 - **Safety**: protecting the systems from **accidental** failures
 - **Security**: protecting the systems from **intentional** attacks (physical and cyberattacks)
- They both are dealing with the minimization of risk of an undesired outcome
- They are inter-dependent, often complementing or conflicting each other



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Examples of Conflicts between Safety and Security

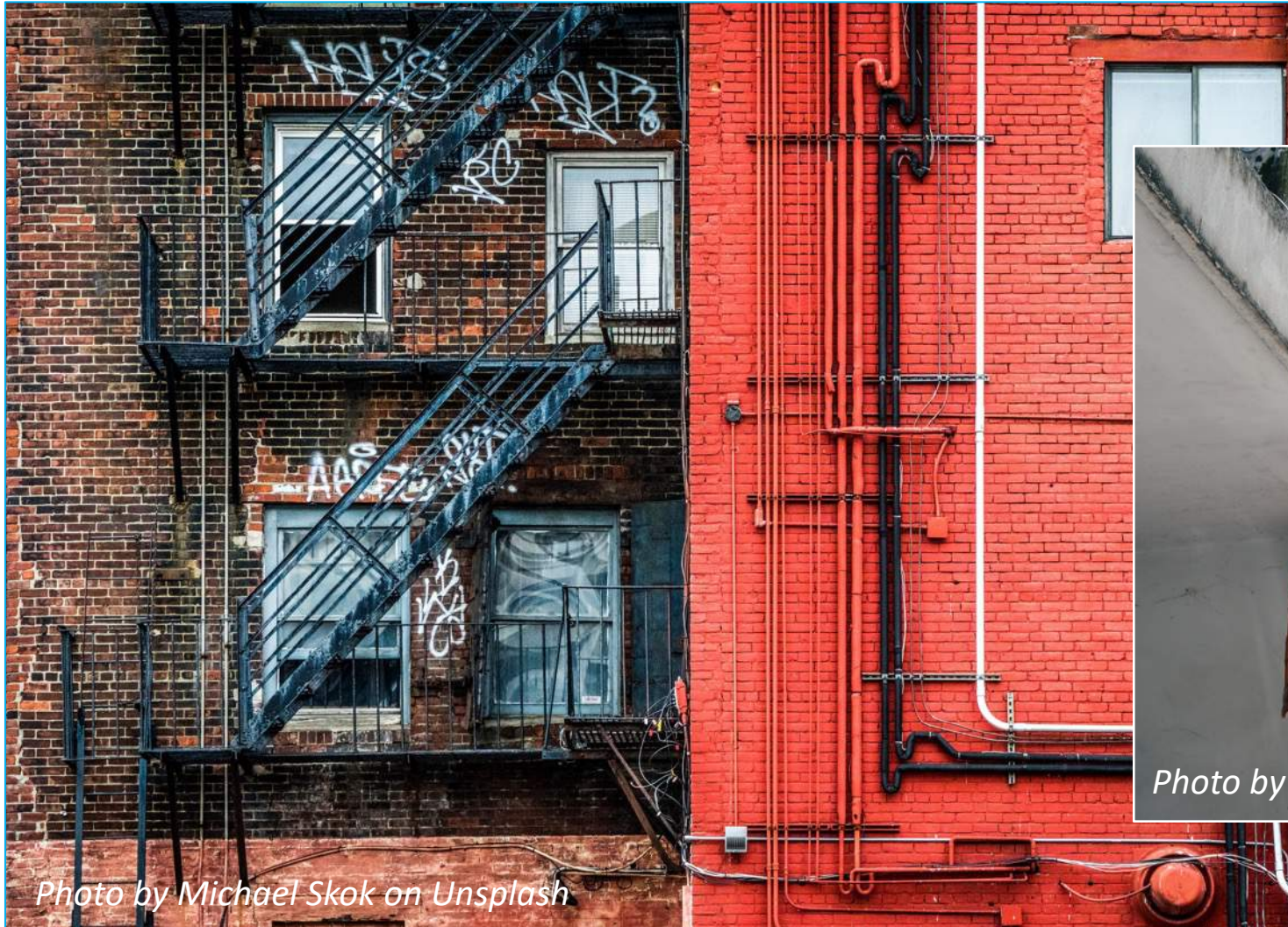


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Three Key Questions

1

How can we **IDENTIFY** inter-relationships between safety and cybersecurity?

2

How can we **CAPTURE** the inter-relationships between safety and cybersecurity?

3

How can we **SOLVE CONFLICTS** between safety and cybersecurity?

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Question 1

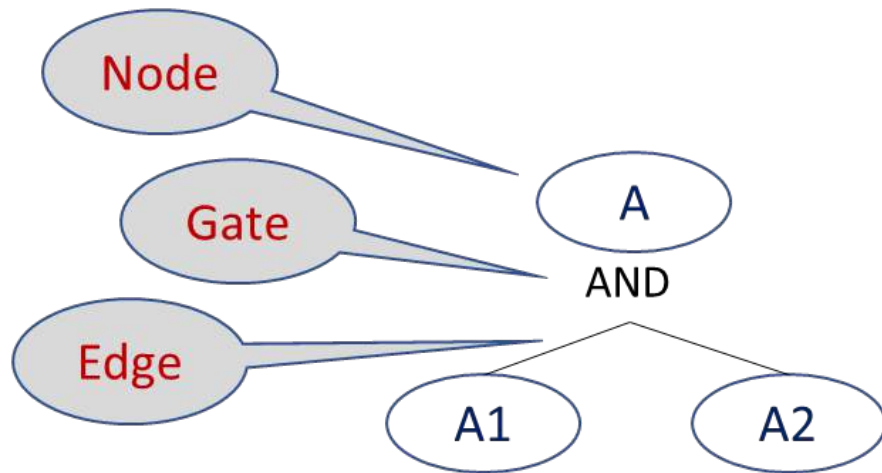
How can we IDENTIFY inter-relationships between safety and cybersecurity?

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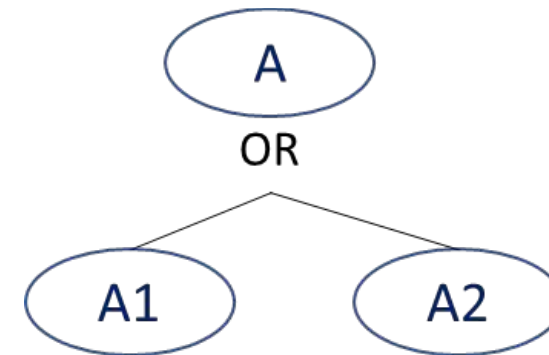


Fault Trees for Safety Modelling

- **Fault tree** analysis is a widely used technique for hazard and risk assessment
- Purpose – to graphically present the possible events that can cause top-level undesired event



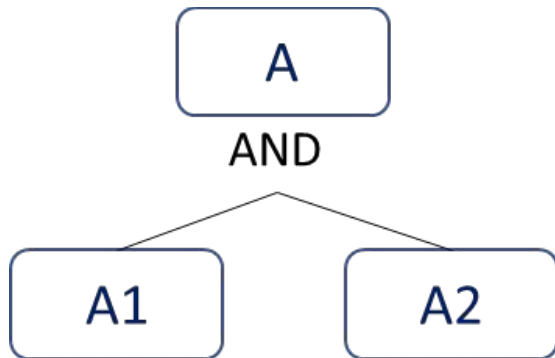
*A occurs if
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A2 occur*



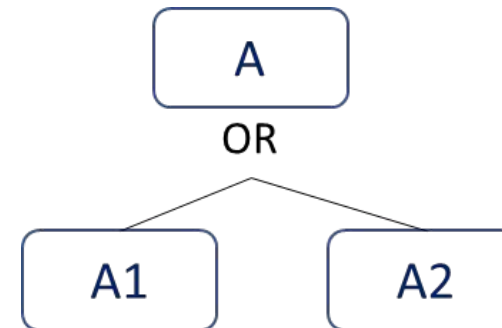
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Attack Trees for security modelling

- **Attack trees** are frequently used for security analysis
- Attack tree is a graph that describes the steps of attack process
- It uses the same basic symbols as fault tree

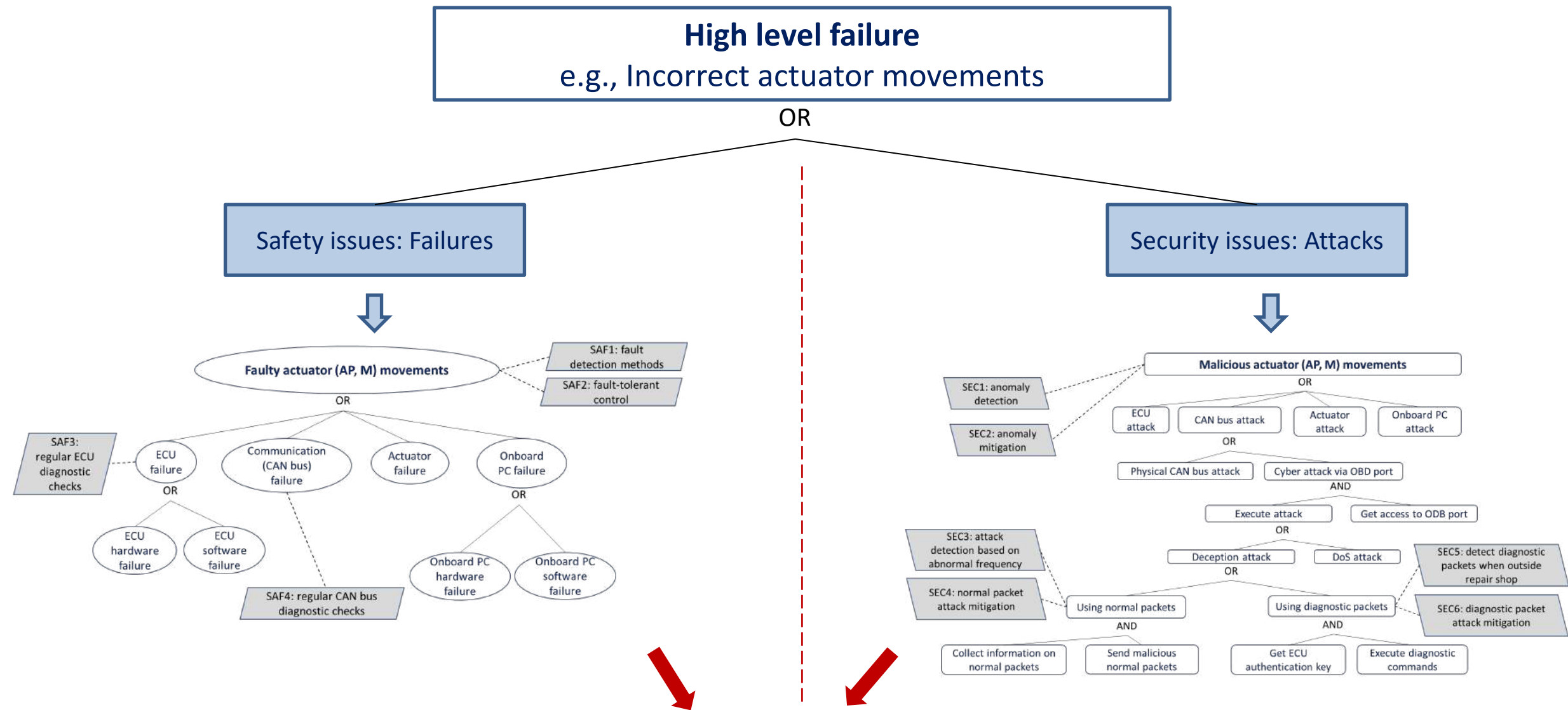


*To succeed with attack A, **both** A1 and A2 have to be successful*



*To succeed with attack A, **either** A1 **or** A2 have to be successful*

Conventional approach: safety and security are analyzed independently

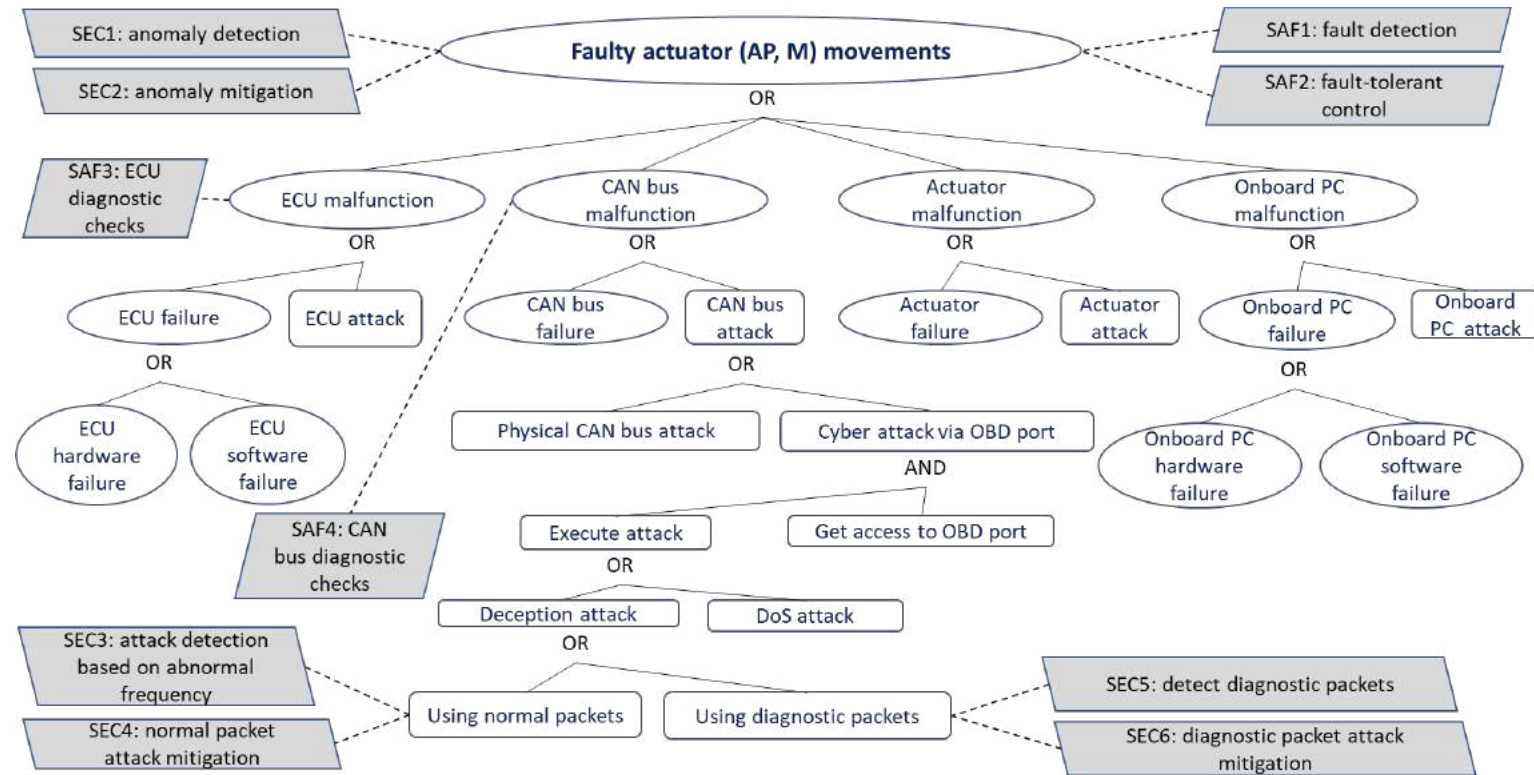


Combine into one model?

Model 1: FACT (Failure Attack CounTermeasure) Graph

The **FACT graph*** can be used to

- “see” a complete picture of “weaknesses” of the system
- analyze the coverage of attacks and failures by safety and security countermeasures
- Identify missing and overlapping countermeasures



*Sabaliauskaite G., Mathur A.P. (2015) *Aligning Cyber-Physical System Safety and Security*. In: Cardin MA., Krob D., Lui P., Tan Y., Wood K. (eds) *Complex Systems Design & Management Asia*. Springer, Cham.

Question 2

How can we CAPTURE the inter-relationships between safety and cybersecurity?

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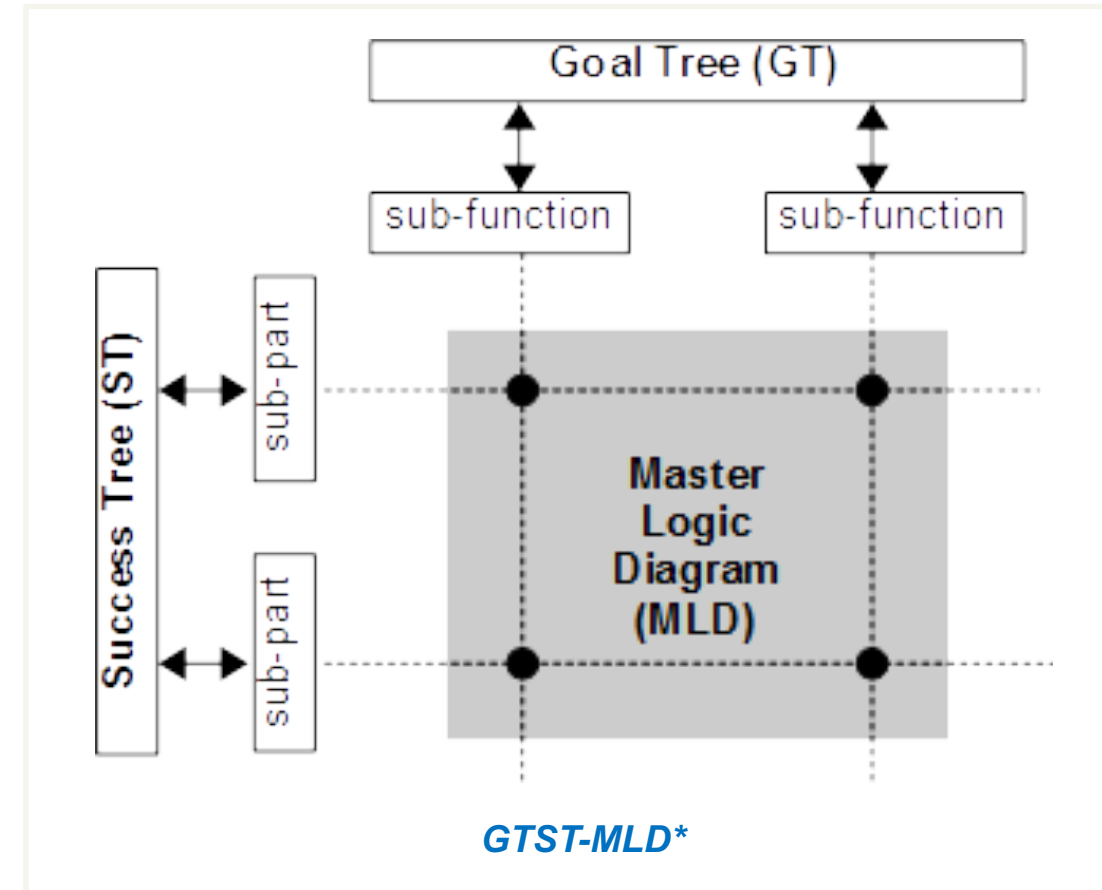


Hierarchical approaches: GTST-MLD*

In 1980s, **GTST** (Goal Tree Success Tree) framework has been introduced for modelling complex physical systems

- The main idea behind GTST is that complex systems can be best describe by hierarchies
- Goal Tree (GT) – hierarchy of system functions
- Success Tree (ST) – hierarchy of system components

In 1999, Modarres and Cheon extended GTST and added Master Logic Diagram (**MLD**) to capture inter-relationships between GT and ST

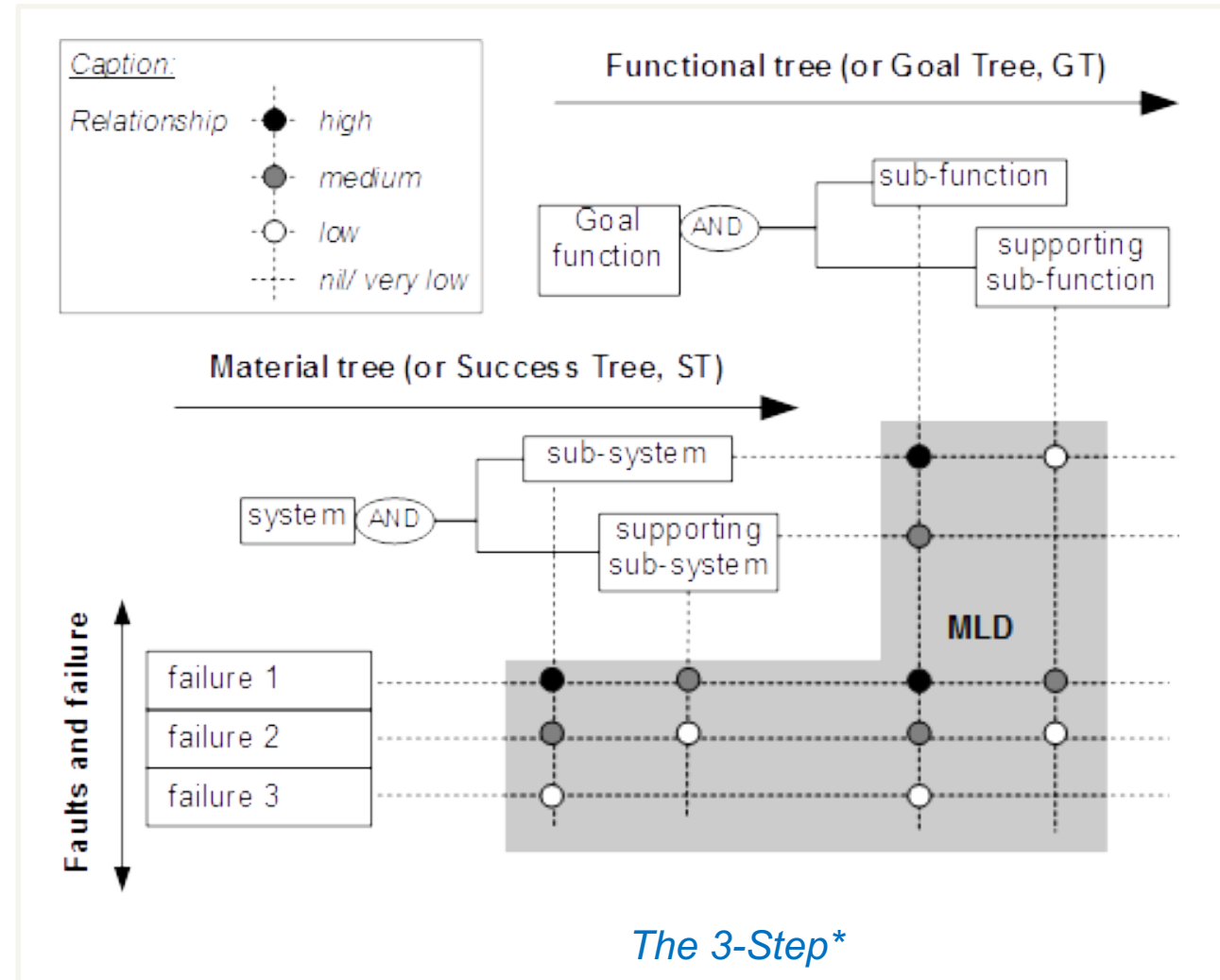


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Extension of GTST-MLD: 3-Step Model

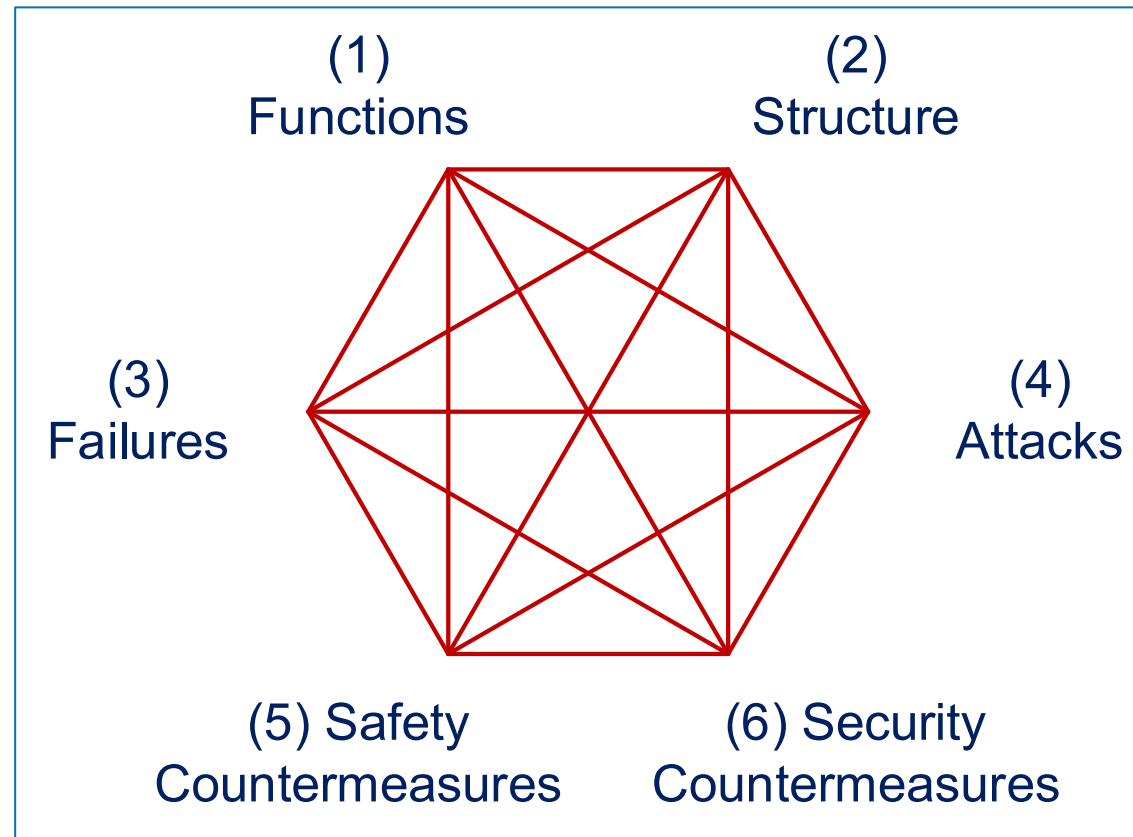
In 2009, Brissaud et al. extended GTST-MLD for safety analysis by integrating failures into it, and developed the **3-Step Model**

Can we use similar approach for capturing the relationships between safety and security?



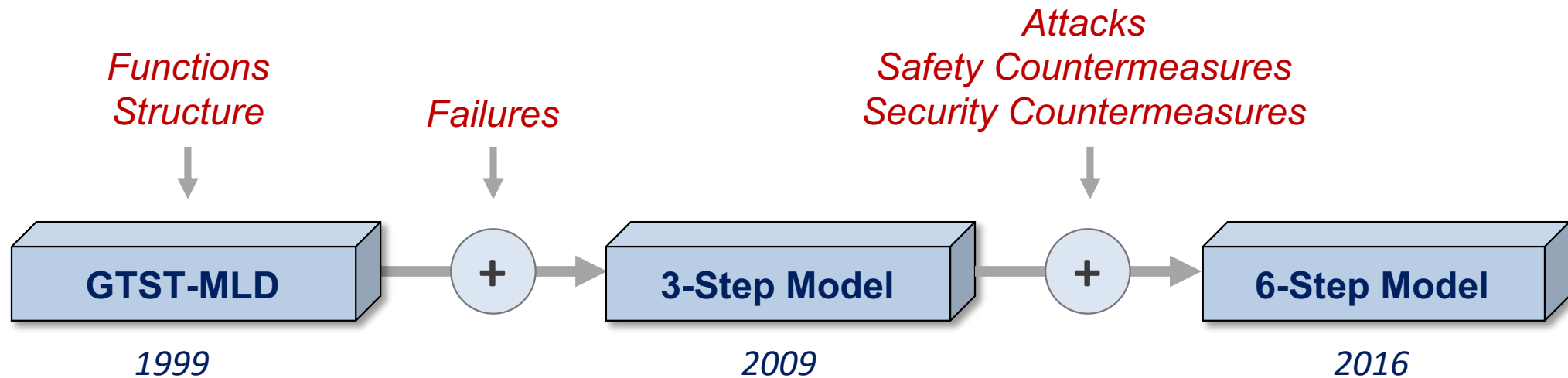
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What information could we use to describe the relationships between safety and security?



Further extension of the 3-Step Model for integrated analysis of relationship between safety and security

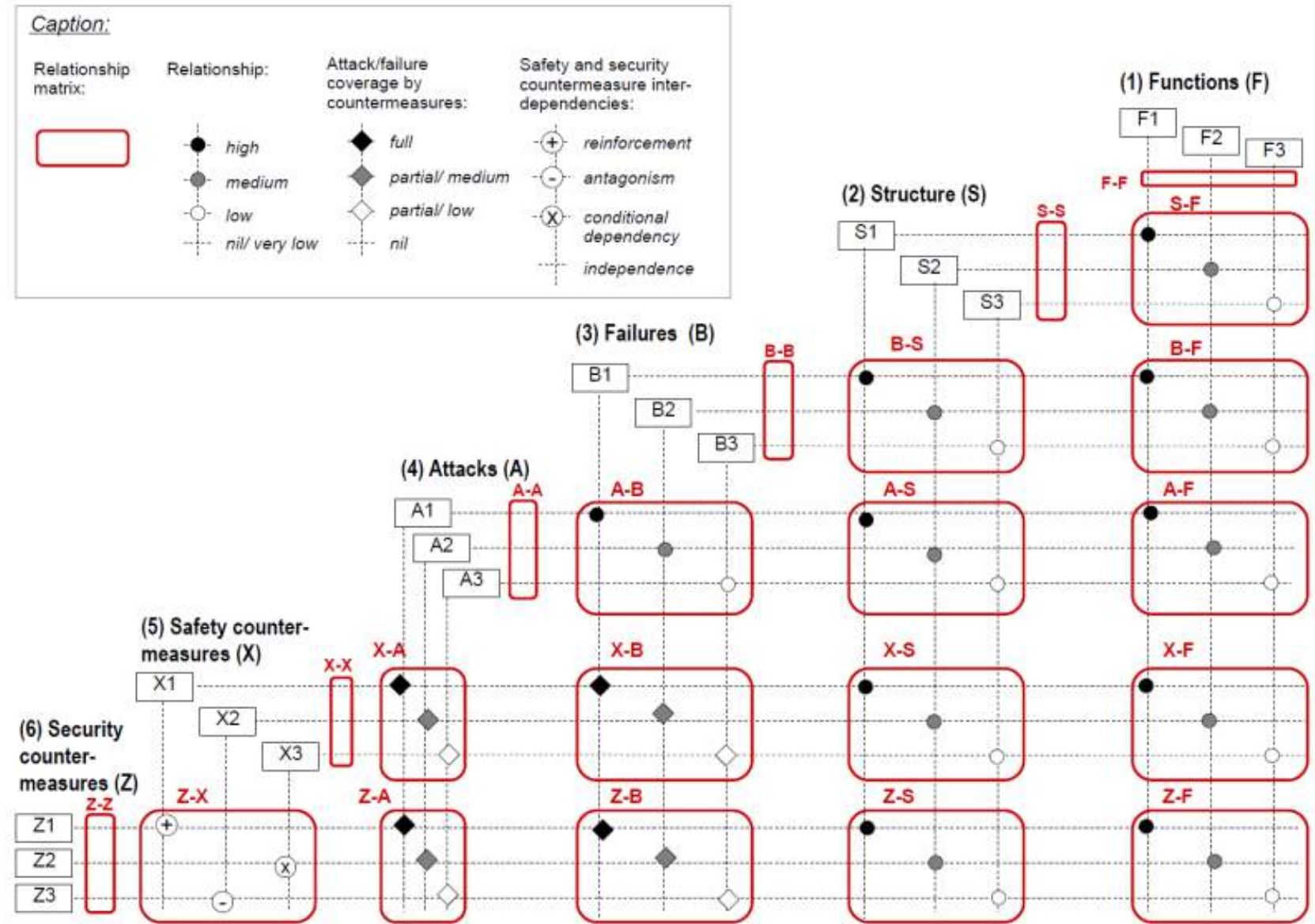
- In 2016, we extended the 3-Step Model and added the attacks, safety countermeasures, and security countermeasures
- As a result, the **Six-Step Model** was developed



Model 2: Six-Step Model*

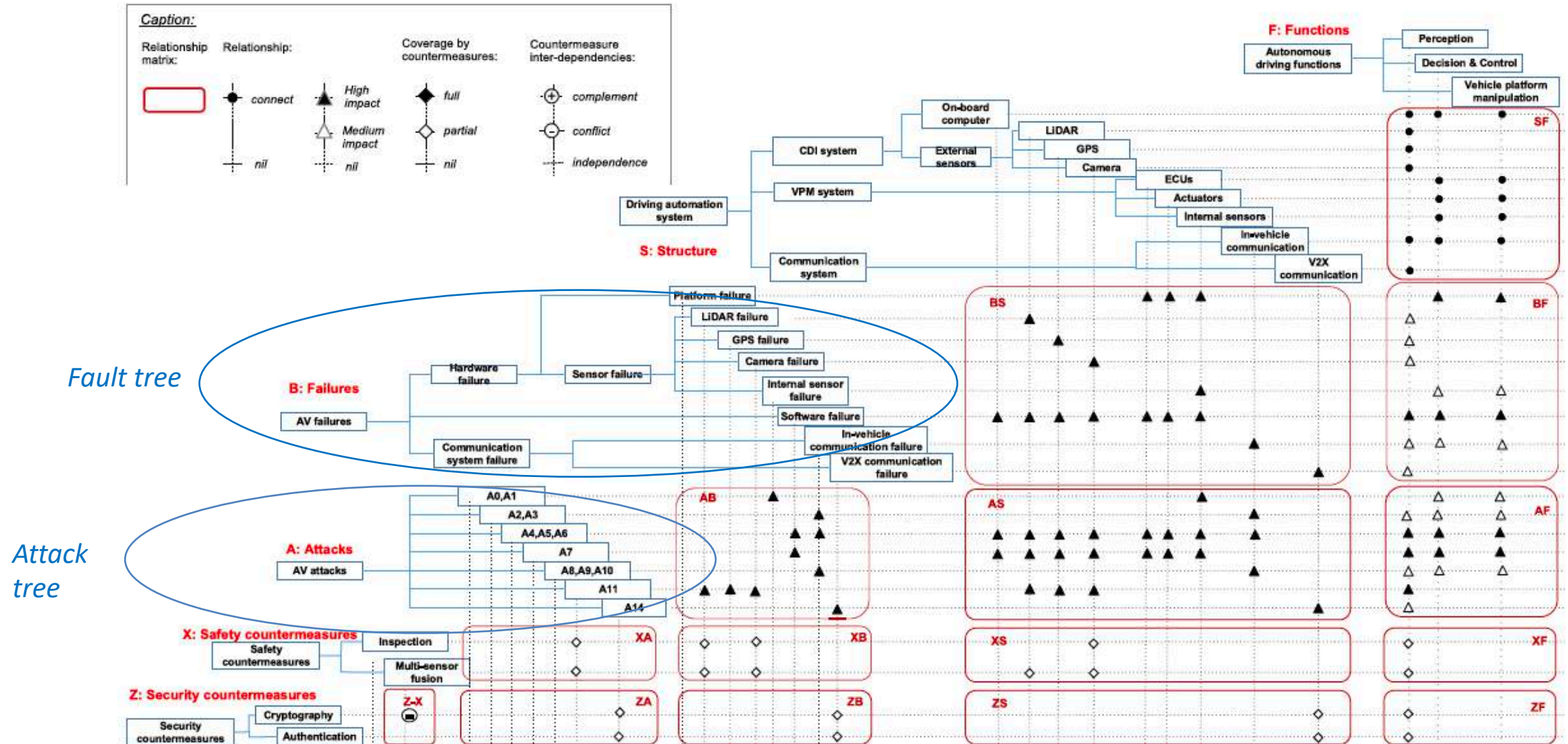
Consists of:

- ✓ 6 hierarchies
- ✓ 21 relationship matrices



*G. Sabaliauskaite, S. Adepur, and A. Mathur, "A six-step model for safety and security analysis of cyber-physical systems," in the 11th International Conference on Critical Information Infrastructures Security (CRITIS), Oct 2016.

Six-Step Model Example*



*J. Cui, G. Sabaliauskaite, L. S. Liew, F. Zhou and B. Zhang, "Collaborative Analysis Framework of Safety and Security for Autonomous Vehicles," in IEEE Access, vol. 7, pp. 148672-148683, 2019

Question 3

How can we SOLVE
CONFLICTS between safety
and cybersecurity?

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A photograph of two antelopes in a grassy field. The antelope on the left is lying down, while the one on the right is standing and facing it. The antelope on the right has long, dark, spiraling horns. The background is a blurred field of dry grass.

**Which quality is more important:
safety or security?**

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A photograph of two antelopes, likely topi, in a dry, grassy field. The antelope on the left is lying down, while the one on the right is standing and facing it. Both have long, spiraling horns. The background is a blurred natural setting.

Which quality is more important: safety or security?

None...

they both are equally important to meet organization's business goals

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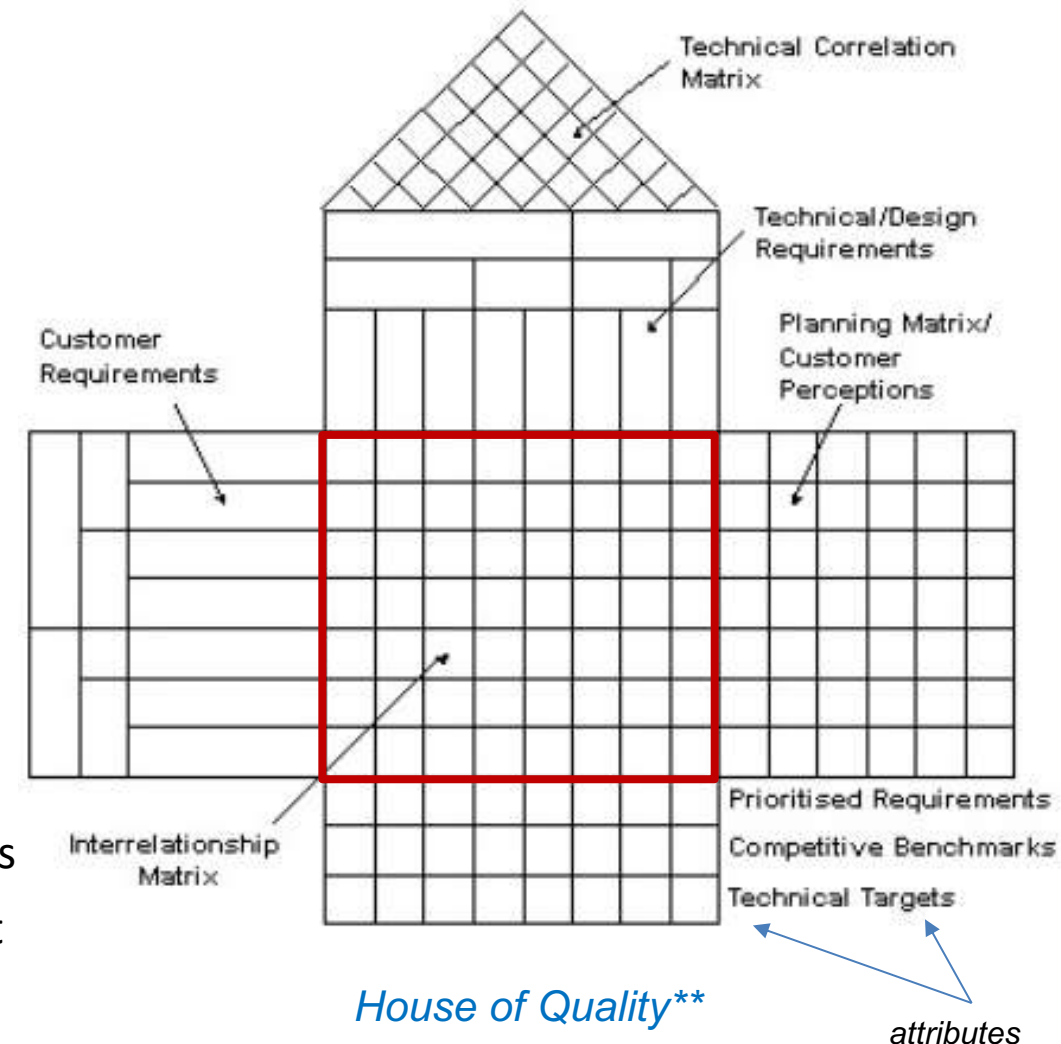
Decision making method: Quality Function Deployment (QFD)

QFD* was created in Japan in the late 1960s

- a method for structured product planning and development
- effective in reducing development time and cost
- useful for recording the considerations/decisions

QFD utilizes a series of matrices to transform qualitative customer requirements into detailed engineering specifications

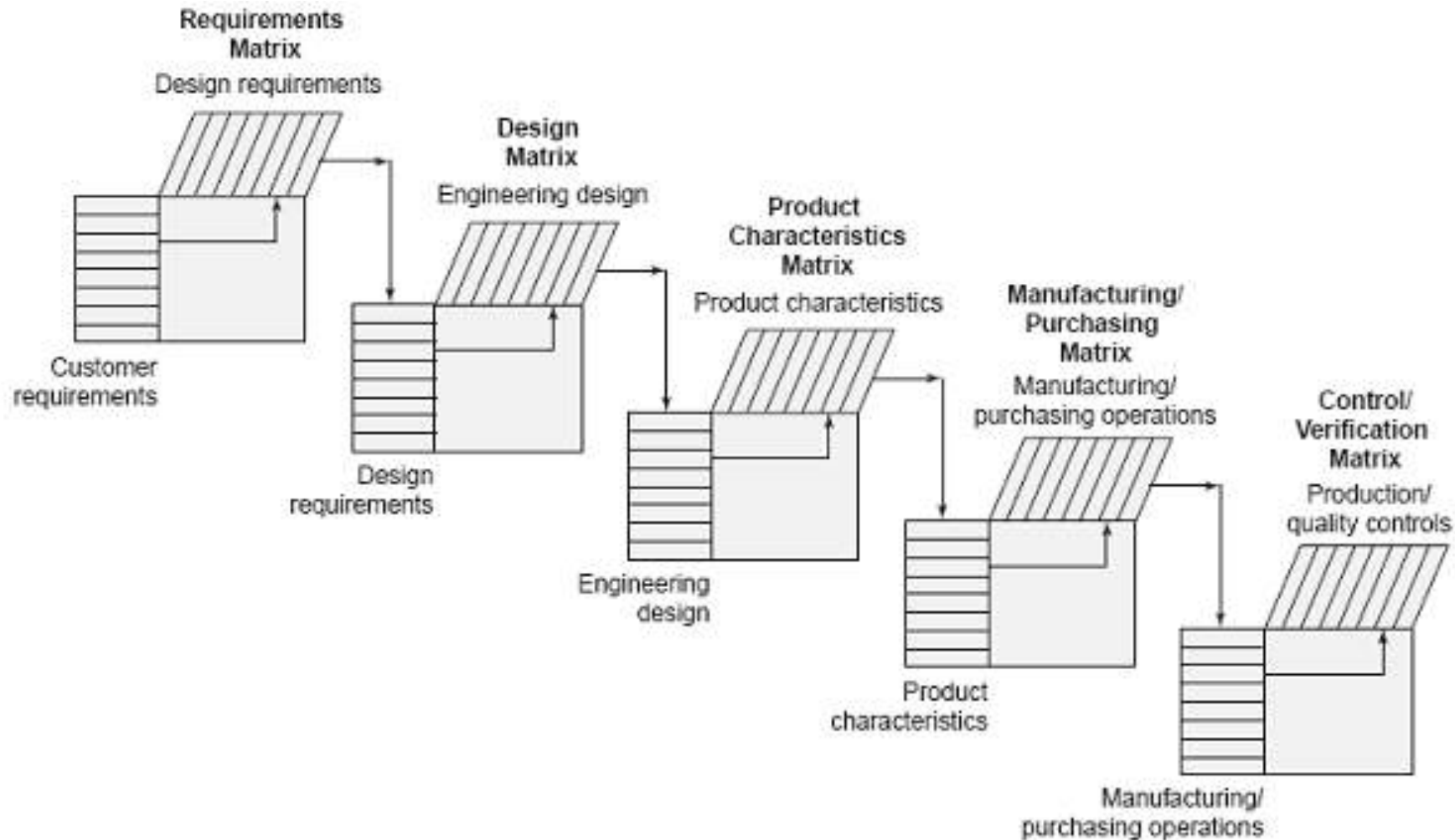
- QFD matrix, namely House of Quality (HoQ), displays the relationships between dependent (WHATs) and independent (HOWs) variables
- WHATs are included as rows of HoQ, while HOWs – as columns
- Various attributes of WHATs and HOWs can be used to support decision making



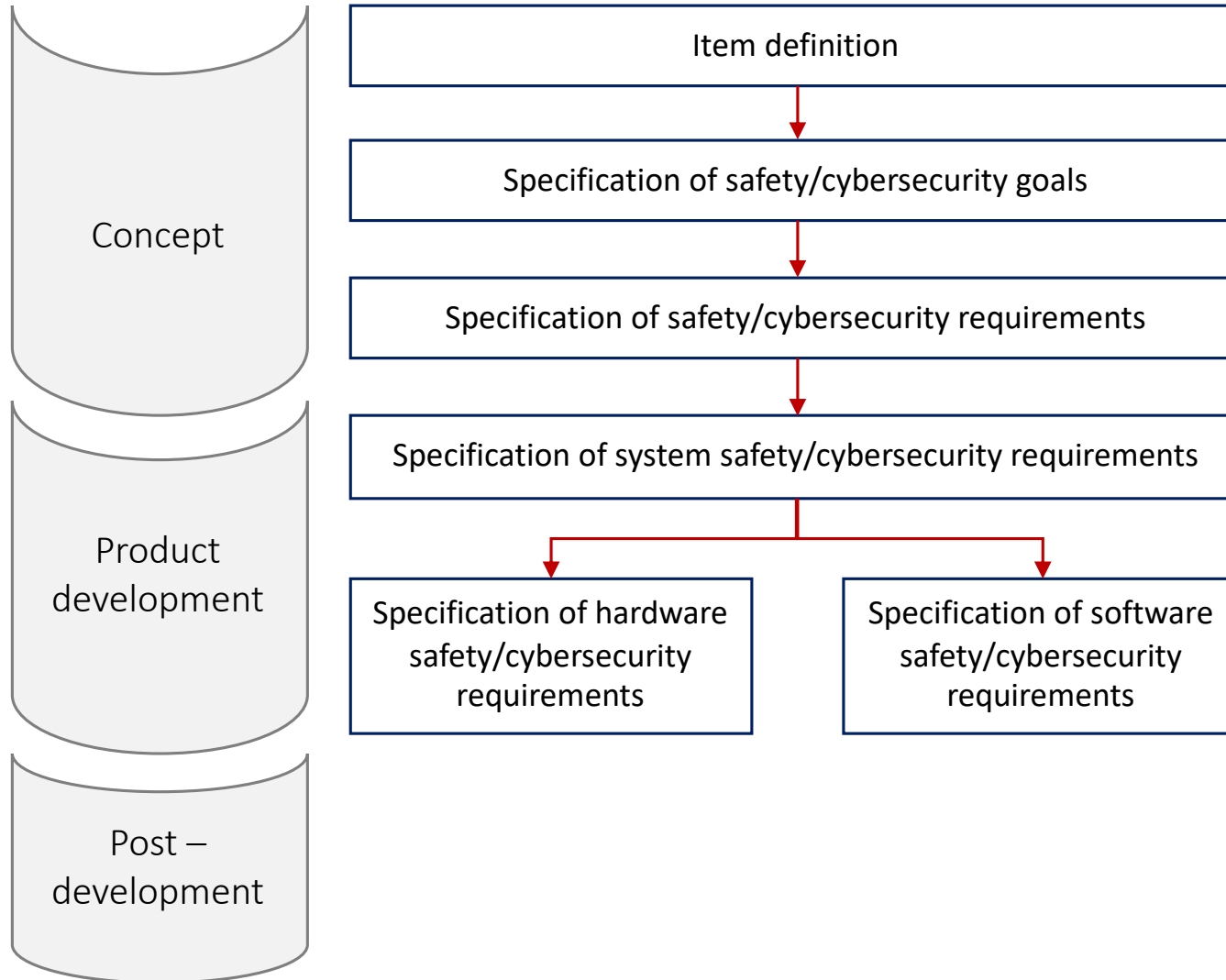
* T. Cohen. *Quality function deployment*. American Management Association. 1994

** *Learn About Quality*. American Society for Quality (ASQ). 2019. <https://asq.org/quality-resources/qfd-quality-function-deployment>

Example of Quality Function Deployment (QFD) matrices*



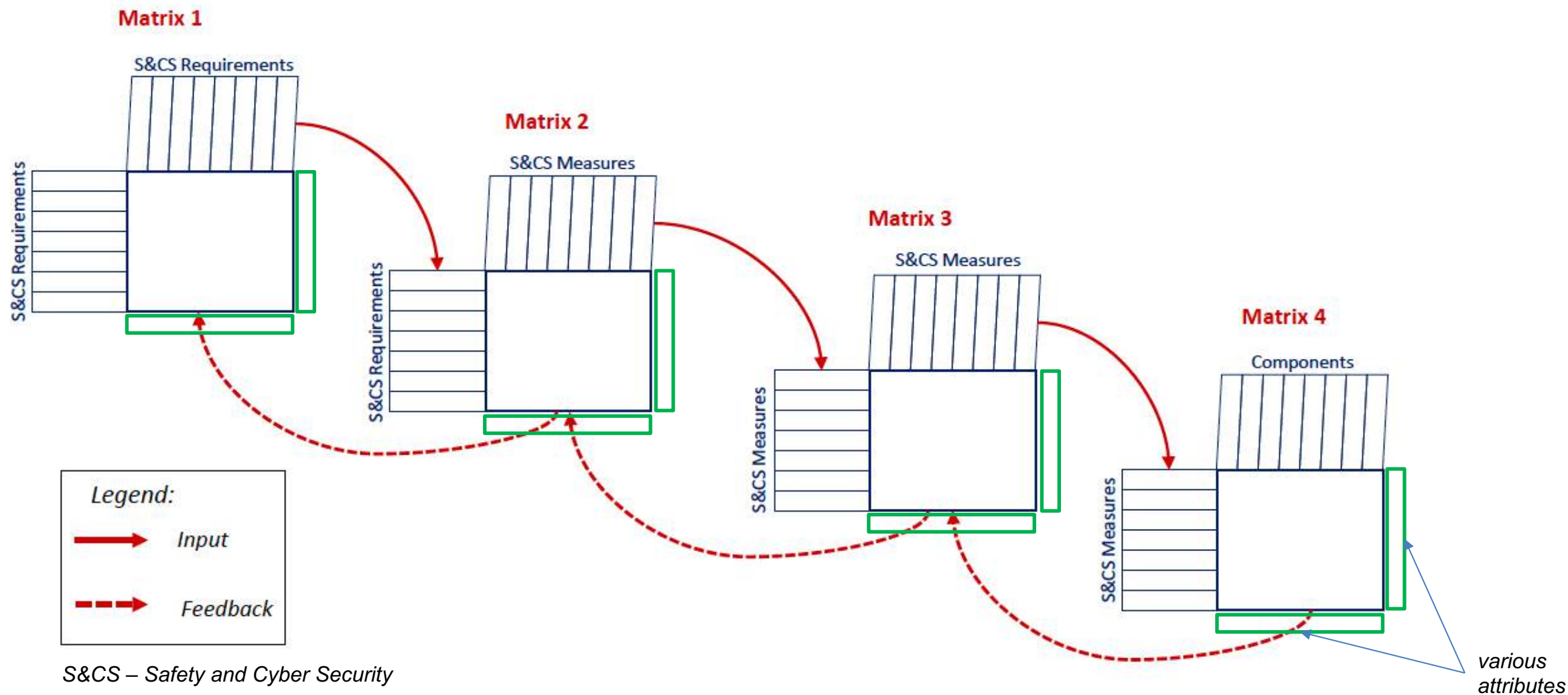
Compliance with international standards ISO 26262 (safety) and ISO/SAE 21434 (cybersecurity)



Safety requirement = hazardous event (failure) + safety measure + allocation to system components

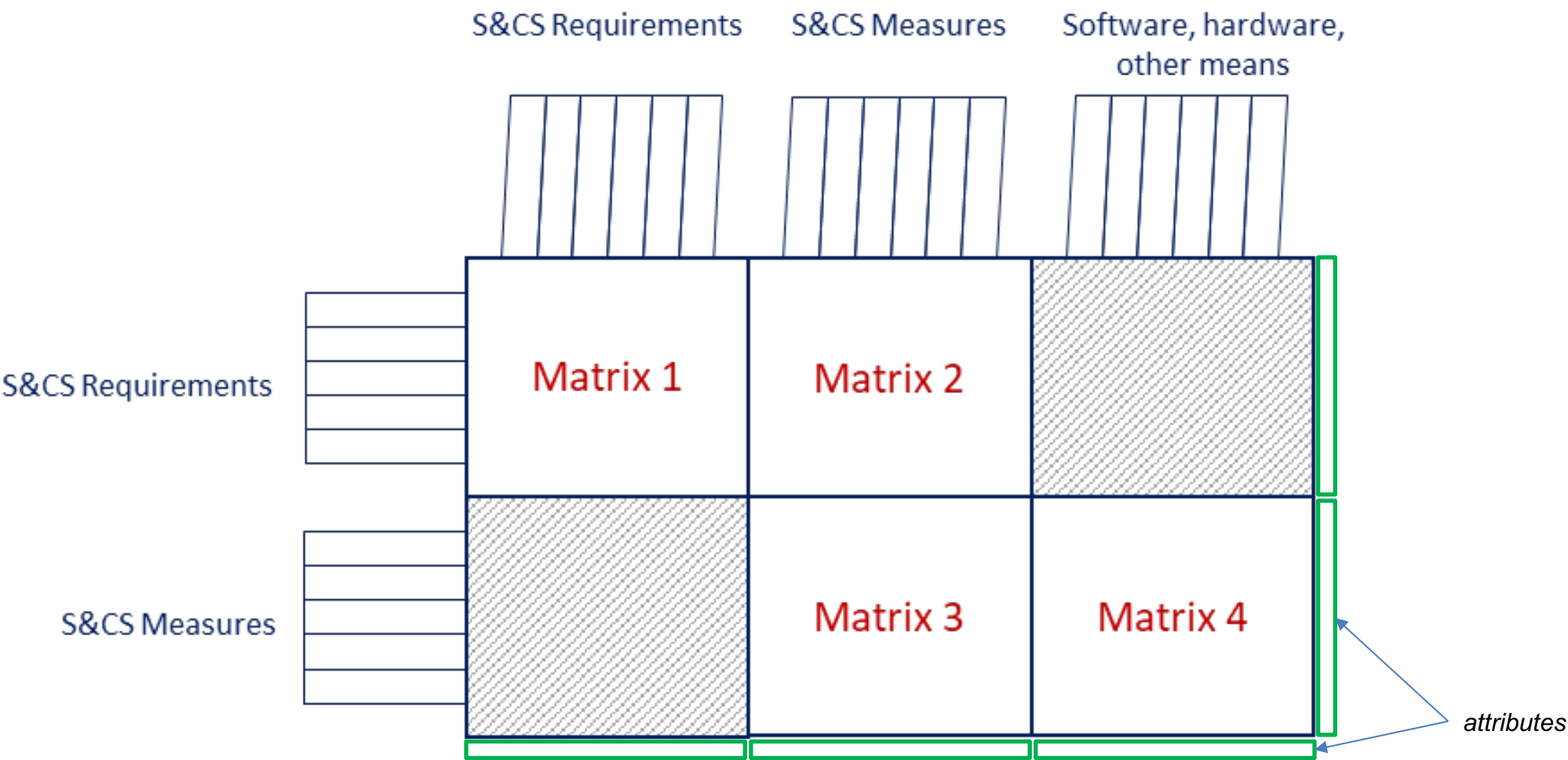
Cybersecurity requirement = threat scenario (attack) + security measure + allocation to system components

Four QFD-inspired matrices for analyzing safety and security inter-relationships*



*G. Sabaliauskaite, L. S. Liew, and F. Zhou. AVES - Automated Vehicle Safety and Security Analysis Framework. ACM Computer Science in Cars Symposium (CSCS 2019). 8 October 2019. Kaiserslautern, Germany.

Model 3: Safety and Cyber Security Deployment (SCSD) Model*



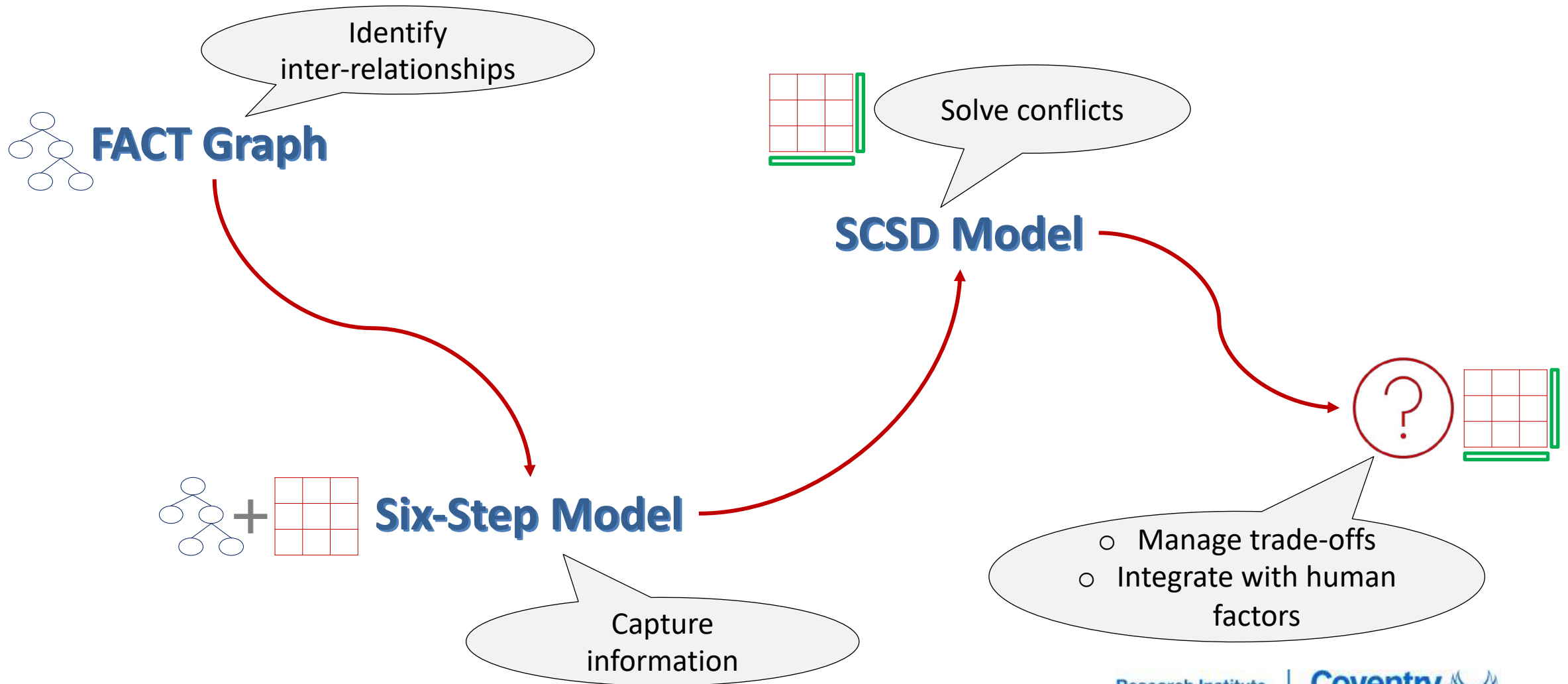
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Summary of proposed models

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Transition between FACT Graph, Six-Step Model, and SCSD Model



Challenges with integrated safety and security analysis methods

Recent survey on cyber-physical system safety and cybersecurity co-engineering reports on **sixty-eight methods**, which span a time period of around twenty years*

What is still missing? What are the main challenges?

- ▶ Compliance with safety and cybersecurity standards
- ▶ Independence of application domain
- ▶ Lack of quantitative approaches
- ▶ Lack of tool support
- ▶ Consideration of not only technical, but also socio-technical aspects
- ▶ Lack of guidance on resolving conflicts between safety and security

*G. Kavallieratos, S. Katsikas, and V. Gkioulos. *Cybersecurity and Safety Co-Engineering of Cyberphysical Systems – A Comprehensive Survey*. *Future Internet*. 2020; 12(4):65.



Takeaways

“New is the well forgotten old”

When developing new methods or models

- Have their purpose very well defined
- Look for inspiration in methods used in other fields, for other purposes, developed long ago
- Think of compliance with international standards and tool support – this will help to implement them in practice
- Good luck!

Thank you!

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