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Model-based Approach for Co-optimization of Safety and Security Objectives in Design of Critical Architectures

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Need for safety objectives in Cyber-Physical Systems (CPS)? Systems must be safe for humans

to use

- Need for security objectives in CPS? Heavy dependence on software + highly interconnect, thus a
  possibility of cyber attack(s)
  - Impacts the safety of systems and its end users
- **Need for multi-objectives analysis**? To perform analysis of both safety & security objectives
  - To understand how the objectives related to security will effect safety features (and vice-versa)
  - Commonalities in both analysis, thus avoidance of duplication of efforts
  - Simple example Keyless Car Entry: If the encryption level is increased (security feature), then it will effect the time taken to decrypt and to send an ACK, thus effecting overall performance (safety feature)







- How Model-Driven Engineering (MDE) can help to address safety & security concerns?
  - MDE supports creation of a coherent model of a system that may be augmented with various relevant information for different stakeholders
    - This model when transformed into different formats allows representing various formalization relevant for different domains
  - MDE provides principles, standards (e.g. OMG SysML) and tools (e.g. Eclipse Papyrus)









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To support efficient modeling of both safety & security objectives during the design phase of the SDLC, i.e., to support Design Space Exploration (DSE)

- Safety & Security objectives can be conflicting but measurable (Performance, Breakability, Cost) and it is essential to obtain an acceptable trade-offs (Co-Optimize)
  - E.g. to minimize a vector of objective functions (such as the cost and failure rate) defined by the designer
- To bridge the gap for safety-security co-optimization, which is dominantly due to the unavailability of specific methods and frameworks (language, vocabulary) along with tools
- To support non-savvy engineers without them needing to be an expert in both domains





# **List** Research Motivation (1/2)

# Motivating Example: A Safety & Security sensitive CPS



Embedded Cognitive Safety System (ECSS)

- ECSS is used in Automotive safety system
  - CMOS sensors, CPU and embedded networks (FlexRay, CAN)
- ECSS needs to be fail-safe (having objectives such as performance, rate of failure)
  - Safety can be effected by security concerns (such as CAN attacks, other attacks on camera)



### **List Research Motivation (2/2)**

# **Design Space Exploration problem**



#### **Embedded Cognitive Safety System (ECSS)**

- To select HW components (i.e., redundancy level)
- To find the optimal solution having the acceptable trade-off for safety & security concerns along with their effect on cost

#### Brief describing of the design-space complexity for designing HW architectures



Possible type of variability:

- No Variability: Occupied Slots =  $1 \rightarrow$  Only 1 Samsung OR 1 STMicro chip
- Instance Variability: Occupied Slots = 2 → Both 1 Samsung AND 1
   Samsung chip
- Component Variability: Occupied Slots = 2 → 1 Samsung AND 1 STMicro chip
- Mixed Variability (both Component + Instance): Occupied Slots = 3 → 1
   Samsung AND 1 Samsung AND 1 MediaTek chip





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# Modeling (1/2)



- Modeling general system requirements & relationships
- Modeling Safety & Security requirements
   via introduction of new stereotypes
  - <<SafeReq>> & <<SecReq>>



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Pareto Front

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# Modeling (2/2)



- Modeling the system & relationships via BDD
- Input values such as cost, reliability etc.
- Input the type of constraint needed, i.e., variability type

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#### **Component Variability**

**Input**: Parent class, Child class, Parameters, comments about component variability

**Output**: Python File → BDD [Package] ECSS.py

Python script with CSP formalization based on input values

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Model with comments	<ul> <li>Python File</li> <li>Execution of Python</li></ul>
about component variability	code results in possible
associated with the child	solution and their
class blocks	graphical representation













### **Python script having constraints**

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Example:
Solve the a + b = 5; a b = 6 algebraic
relation.
from constraint import *
problem = Problem()
problem.addVariable('a', range(5))
problem.addVariable('b', range(5))
problem.addConstraint(lambda a, b: a + b == 5)
problem.addConstraint(lambda a, b: a * b == 6)
solutions = problem.getSolutions()
print solutions
```





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Set of Solutions
[{'a': 3, 'b': 2}, {'a': 2, 'b': 3}]
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**Experimentation (1/4)** 

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#### **Experimentation Setup**

- Eclipse Papyrus Framework
  - SysML Modeling
  - Code generation [Papyrus Designer]
- Python constrain solver



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# **Experimentation (2/4)**





Properties X J Model Validation Occumentation PREferences B Git Staging G Git Tree Compare
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Pareto Front

High-level requirement trade-offs are represented via Pareto front



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# **List** Conclusion & Perspectives

- We proposed a method and a tool to perform co-optimization of safety & security objective using MDE
  - Method involves SysML based modelling, model transformation and use of constraint solvers to provide (quasi) optimal solutions
- We integrated safety + security features via the common objective function (HW cost), which is optimized w.r.t failure rate to evaluate the impact and interplay of both concerns
  - This work will support engineers to analyze & visualize different concerns (or objectives) along with the possible set of solutions, all in the same interface
- As perspectives:
  - To extend this framework with more objective functions (both common and specific to safety & security)
  - To extend and test the scalability of the approach with larger and complex case studies





# **Questions?**

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