

### **Annual Review:** Multi-Layer Cyber-Physical Supply Chain Risk Analysis for Improving the Resilience of IoT-Enabled Critical Infrastructures

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### The Problem

- IoT / ICT systems comprise of an interconnection of multiple hardware and software components.
- Multiple entry points for vendor involvement in system safety and reliability.



- **DHS Component:** CISA NRMC
- Challenge Area: ICT Supply Chain Risk Management (SCRM)



## The Problem

### Challenge:

- Supply chain risk is non-linear
- Overall risk from the supply chain is convoluted
- Difficult to identify vendors that are most critical

### **Our Approach:**

- Analyze systemic risk as opposed to vendor risk
- Consider a composition of the component network and supplier network
- Decision support for vendor selection, onboarding, and upgradation



Figure: Supply chain ecosystem for autonomous vehicles.





## What Will Success Look Like?

**IoT Supply Chain Risk Analysis & Mitigation** (iSCRAM) software tool can:

- Ingest a schematic of components, system interconnects, and vendors
- Assess vendors based on cybersecurity standards
- Provide a holistic understanding of system risk from the supply chain



Integrated Risk Assessment

Identify critical vendors and components Risk Optimized Vendor Selection









## What Will Success Look Like?

- Easy to use software tool that can be used by end users to make supply chain risk assessments
- Beta testing and commercial launch of the tool
- Metrics for Success:
  - Number of use cases / application scenarios
  - Testing and validation on actual customer data
  - Number of initial adopters





### **Benefits**



**Automotive** 



**Industrial Automation** 

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Computing

### Analyze Systemic Risk Posture

• Compute Systemic Risk Score and Rank Vendors / Components

#### Prioritize Security Resources

• Recommendations for Improvement of Vendor Risk

#### Enhanced Visibility of Supply Chain Risk

• Identify Vulnerabilities and track down risk sources



### Benefits

### **Potential End-Users:**

- Mass Transit: Ensuring that organizations such as MTA are aware of the risk by using equipment from third party vendors
- Automotive Sector: Understanding the risk in autonomous vehicles from supply chain actors
- Cyber Insurance: Decide insurance premiums and scrutinize vendors based on cyber risk of the supply chain



#### Supply chain of new Denver regiona commuter rail

Source: Adapted from the paper J. Goikoetxea, "Shift2Rail CONNECTA: The Next Generation of the Train Control and Monitoring System", in Proceedings of 7th Transport Research Arena TRA 2018, April 16-19, 2018, Vienna, Austria **Figure: Components and vendors involved in a rail car of the mass transit system.** 





# Accomplishments (Technical)

- Development of iSCRAM Backend and Frontend software
- Web Deployment and Access Management
- Publication and Dissemination
  - 3 research articles and 1 book
- Hands–on tutorial at IEEE MILCOM 2022







### System Risk Ratings





### **Product**

#### **Risk-Centric Vendor Selection**



Available: www.i-scram.com



Vendor Selection



# Accomplishments (Commercial)

- Approx. 20 end-user interviews, 3 NDA signed
- Selected for DHS sponsored commercialization assessment through RTI Innovation Advisors
- Awarded MTRAC Advanced Transportation grant at University of Michigan funded by Michigan Economic Development Corporation
- Contacts Initiated with BlockHarbor Cybersecurity, Lear Corp., and Resilience Insurance





# **Activities Remaining**

- Beta Testing Partnership
  - NDAs have been signed
  - Testing and validation
- Licensing / Incorporation
- Sustainability: SBIR / STTR / Venture Capital



# Thank You!



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