# "On Survivability of Mobile Cyber Physical Systems with Intrusion Detection"

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#### **General Concept:**

- Advancing technology leads to increased presence of Cyber Physical Systems (CPS)
- **Survivability** becomes more important.
- Mobile CPSs complicate the issue of survivability



#### **Cyber Physical System**

- "Systems that are built from, and depend upon, the seamless integration of computational algorithms and physical components" [1].
- Defining Characteristics [3]:
  - Cyber Capability in every component
  - Automated
  - Capable of Large-Scale Networking
  - Capable of optimization through dynamic reconfiguration

[1] https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2015/nsf15541/nsf15541.htm

[2] Khaitan, S. K., & Mccalley, J. D. (2015). Design Techniques and Applications of Cyberphysical Systems: A Survey. *IEEE Systems Journal*, *9*(2), 350-365. doi:10.1109/jsyst.2014.2322503

#### **CPS Examples**

- Process Control Systems
- Medical monitors
- Autonomous (self-driving) Vehicles



#### Mobile Cyber Physical System

- Subcategory of a CPS
- Inherently mobile
- Examples [4]:
  - Smartphone network
  - Environmental monitoring systems
- Applications[5]:
  - Traffic Measuring System
  - IoT



[4] <u>http://reu-mcps.cs.txstate.edu/home.html</u>
[5] Rose, G. (2006). "Mobile Phones as Traffic Probes: Practices, Prospects and Issues". *Transport Reviews.* 26 (3): 275–291

#### **Problem Statement and Challenges**

#### Problem:

"[Maximize the survivability of] a mobile cyber physical system (MCPS) comprising sensor-carried human actors, vehicles, or robots assembled together for executing a specific mission in battlefield or emergency response situations."

- Maximize uptime of MCPS
- Mission critical scenarios
- Protect against malicious attacks, unauthorized intrusions

### **Problem Statement and Challenges**

#### **Challenges:**

- Distributed architecture
- Large Scale
- Rough / Dangerous environmental Conditions
- Resource Constraints

Main point: scenarios include possibilities of:

- Compromised / captured nodes
- Inability to replenish nodes

#### A REMBASS-II sensor



### Literature Overview

#### Literature: For survivability, design MCP systems that promote:

- Intrusion Prevention
- Intrusion Detection
  - Application-specific Intrusion detection
  - Anomaly-based detection
- Intrusion Tolerance
  - Static / Structural
    - Redundancy: component, path, data
    - Threshold Cryptography (cooperative decryption).
    - Decentralization
  - Dynamic / Responsive:
    - Self-Organization
    - Dynamic Routing
    - Forward / Backward Recovery



#### Literature Overview

**Complicating Factor absent from Literature:** 

### Survivability



Both Energy Depletion and Security Failures constitute failure of an MCPS!

#### **Proposed Solution**

Solution: Perform a mathematical-model-based analysis to maximize Survivability

- Model an MCPS with Dynamic Voting-based Intrusion Detection
- Optimally balance intrusion detection energy conservation

**Reference System:** Distributed network of 128 nodes, where each node contains

- 600 MHz Analog Devices Blackfin DSP Processor
- 8MB flash memory
- 64MB SDRAM
- GPS Receiver
- 7.5 V battery
- Sensors (inertial, barometric, physiological, radiological, environmental).

**Purpose:** Detect nearby phenomena, transmit information to neighbors to perform localization and remote sensing (collect data without making physical contact with the object [Wikipedia].

#### Attack Model: Two Types:

- Node Capture
  - Defeats Authentication
  - Creates Insider Threats
- Bad Data Injection
  - Defeats integrity of data
  - Defended against by insiders



**Assumption:** When the system contains <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> compromised nodes, the system has failed (Byzantine Fault Model). Once a consensus cannot be reached (due to fear of malicious nodes), the system has failed.

**Intrusion Detection Technique:** Dynamic voting-based intrusion detection



- Detection informed by location/distance data anomalies between neighbors
- A "coordinator" node is chosen amongst neighbors at random to prevent specific targeting by attackers
- Coordinator selects *m* random nodes to participate in labeling nodes as good/bad

Intrusion Detection Technique: Dynamic voting-based intrusion detection



**Main Point:** Predict the number of good/bad nodes as a result of compromising events happening in the system, coupled with voting-based intrusion detection.



#### **Equivalent Semi-Markov Model:** 128, 0, 0, 0 1/(N\*TIDS) 128, 0, 0, 1 127, 0, 1, 0 2 128 Pfp/TIDS 128 A 1/(N\*TIDS) (1-Pfn)/TIDS 127, 1, 0, 1 127.0.1.1 126, 0, 2, 0 2 127 Pfp/TIDS 127 Pfp/TIDS 127 X 127 λ 1/(N\*TIDS) 2(1-Pfn)/TIDS (1-Pfn)/TIDS 126, 2, 0, 1 126, 1, 1, 1 126, 0, 2, 1 125, 0, 3, 0 126 Pfp/TIDS 126 Pfp/TIDS 126 Pfp/TIDS 126 A 126 A 126 A 1/(N\*TIDS) 2(1-Pfn)/TIDS 3(1-Pfn)/TIDS (1-Pfn)/TIDS 125, 3, 0, 1 125, 2, 1, 1 125, 1, 2, 1 125, 0, 3, 1 ...



A	Ng
В	Nb
С	Ne
D	energy

## Modeling the system in regards to intrusions and energy consumption:



Important Concepts:

- Tokens = nodes in MCPS
- Initialize 128 Good nodes
- Pfn, Pfp, and λ are used as input parameters to the underlying markov chain.
- Use to calculate expected values for each state at time *t*.
- Use these expected values to solve for Pfn and Pfp at time *t*.
- Adjust Transitions TIDS and TFP to model changes to Pfn and Pfp.



Probability of a false negative due to selecting a majority of bad nodes Probability of a false negative due to: Selecting a majority of good nodes 1. that cast incorrect votes 2. Including some bad nodes Probability of a false positive due to selecting a majority of bad nodes Probability of a false positive due to: 1. Selecting a majority of good nodes that cast incorrect votes

2. Including some bad nodes

#### **Calculate MTTF via Reward Assignments:**

- Recall that we want to optimize the MCPS Survivability
- Survivability is equivalent to the system's expected lifetime, or MTTF
- Let Ri, reward assignment at state i, be:
  - $\circ$  Ri = 1 if the system is alive in state i
  - $\circ$  Ri = 0 if the system is dead in state i
  - System is dead when:
    - Place "Energy" does not have a token
    - The number of tokens when  $Nb > (\frac{1}{3})(Nb + Ng)$ 
      - Number of bad nodes comprises at least 1.3 of all nodes in system
- Pfp, Pfn, and Tids all affect transition rates, and therefore MTTF

Parameter	Meaning	Default value
n	Network size	128
n	Number of neighbors within radio range	32
Pfn	Per-host false negative probability	[1-5]%
Pfp	Per-host false positive probability	[1-5]%
λ	Per-node capture rate	[1-24]/day
TIDS	Intrusion detection interval	[0-700] s
m	Number of intrusion detectors per node	[3,11]
α	Number of ranging operations	5
Et	Energy for transmission per node	0.000125 J
Er	Energy for reception per node	0.00005 J
Ea	Energy for analyzing data per node	0.00174 J
Es	Energy for sensing per node	0.0005 J
Eo	Initial system energy	16,128 kJ
$\mathcal{P}_{\mathrm{fn}}$	System false negative probability	Eq. 1
$\mathcal{P}_{fp}$	System false positive probability	Eq. 2
MTTF	Mean time to failure	Eq. 3
N	Maximum cycles before energy exhaustion	Eq. 4
E <sub>TIDS</sub>	Energy consumed per $T_{\rm IDS}$	Eq. 5

$$E_{\text{detection}} = m \times (E_{\text{t}} + \bar{n} \cdot E_{\text{r}}) + m \times (E_{\text{t}} + (m-1) \cdot (E_{\text{r}} + E_{\text{a}})).$$
(8)

### Running the simulation

#### **Theoretical Results:**

- m = #nodes selected for voting
- Optimal Intrusion detection interval (TIDS) is roughly 200 seconds
- Optimal Tibs value decreases as m decreases: weaker intrusion detection means more invocations
- Optimally, m = 5. Best balance of energy exhaustion and security failure.



### Running the simulation

- Use a simulation modeling library, SMPL, to:
  - Track node state (goodness, membership)
  - Schedule events
  - Monitor system failure based on events:
    - Security failure
    - Exhausted Energy
    - All nodes have been evicted
- Parameterize values:
  - $\circ~~\lambda$  from 1/day to 1/10 minutes
  - o m from [3,11]
  - TIDS from 10s to 1280s
- Apply BMA for 95% confidence level and 10% accuracy:
  - 100 MTTF Observations

#### Running the simulation: SMPL Results



Fig. 7 Simulation and theoretical MTTF versus  $T_{\text{IDS}}$  and m

### Running the simulation

#### **Remarks:**

- Theoretical and Simulation plot shapes are very similar
- For both, MTF peaks near TIDS = 160s between 9000 and 11,000s
- m = 5 is the optimal value for m in both cases
- The Mean Percentage Error (MPE) between the two is between 4.60 and 7.64%

**Main Point:** Survivability analysis methodology is validated due to similarities between results.

#### **Conclusions and Future Work**

- This paper demonstrated the feasibility of the authors' survivability model for Mobile Cyber Physical Systems with voting-based intrusion detection.
  - Given known values for false alarm probabilities and node compromise rates, the model can determine the best intrusion detection interval and the best number of detectors to maximize MTTF.
- Future work may include discussions concerning design principles for intrusion detection protocols in both homogenous AND heterogenous MCPSs.