



A Need for Tactics, Techniques, and Procedures (TTP)

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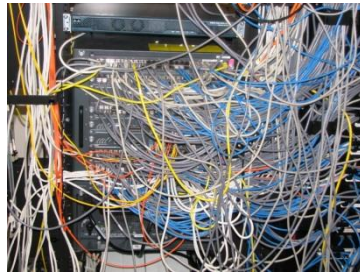
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The Situation

- Adversaries appear determined to penetrate US critical infrastructure
- If Plan A of the adversary to penetrate your network does not work they have 25 more letters of the alphabet to try



- As a result there is a good chance ICS networks are going to be penetrated and attacked

The threat, coupled with the cybersecurity challenges and long life span on ICS equipment creates ideal conditions for a cyber attack



The Evolution of the Threat

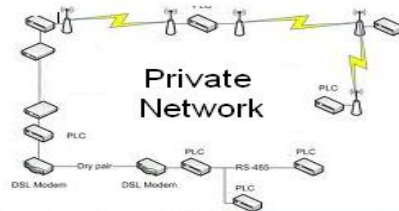
Advanced Nation-State Level Hacking Tools Proliferating

PAST

Minimal Threat Environment

No Internet Connection

Individual Hackers & Nation States: No Cyber Attack Capability

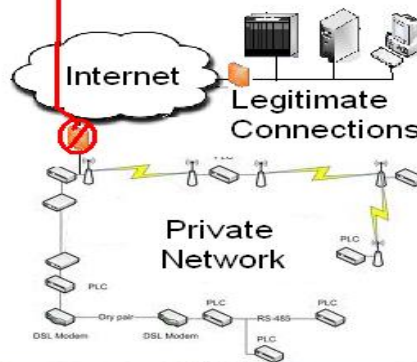


Critical Control System Component

Present



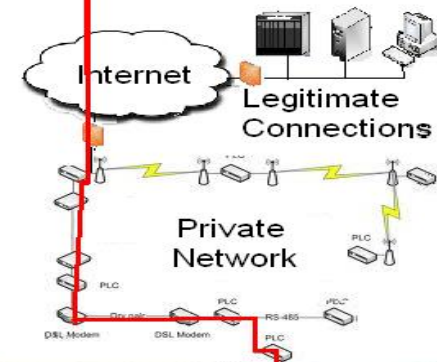
Successful Defense
Against Day-to-day
Hackers



Critical Control System Component



Nation State
Cyber Attacker
Can Succeed



Critical Control System Component

The endpoint ICS devices have a long life span.



Siege Warfare – Has it ever Worked for the Defender?

Today – DoDIN Operations

1992 -1996 - Sarajevo

1954 – Dien Bien Phu

Yorktown - 1781

1574 - Leiden

1099 - Jerusalem

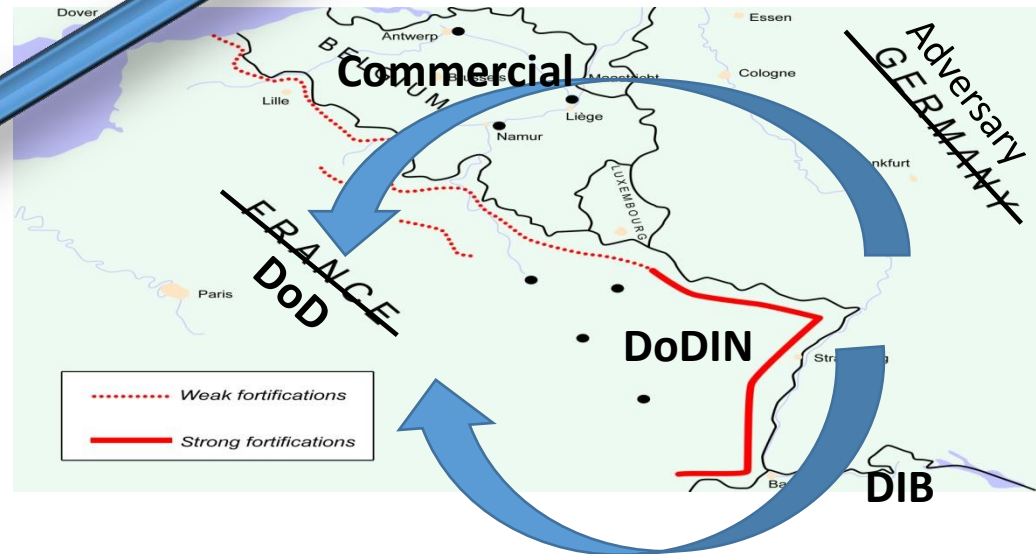
717-718 - Constantinople

52 B.C. - Alesia

149-146 B.C. - Carthage

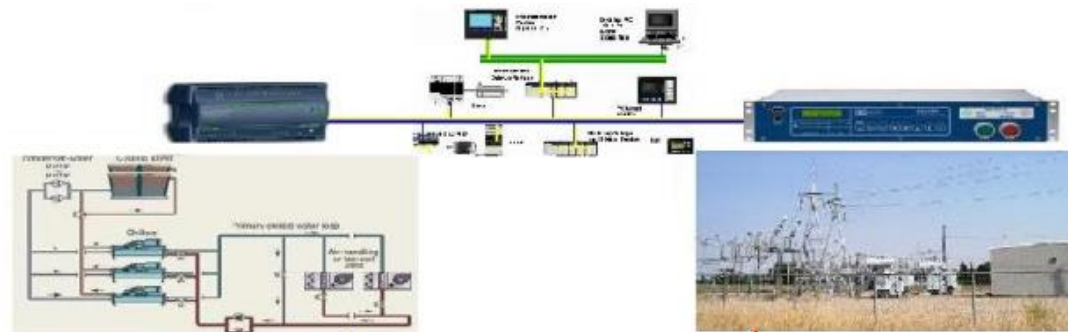
1194-1184 B.C. - Troy

1940 - Maginot Line
Today DoDIN



Why ICS Matters: DoD Mission - To Fight and Win

ICS Network



Cooling

Power

ICS Dependent Hardware



Dependent Systems

Command & Control
Communications
Logistics



Force Employment



ICS – Where Cyber can physically alter the Battlespace

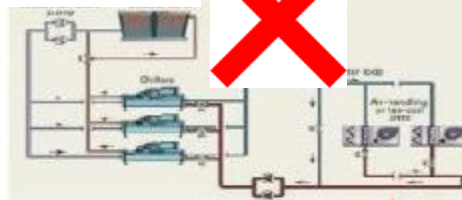


Impact on Force Projection Tasks Require Information

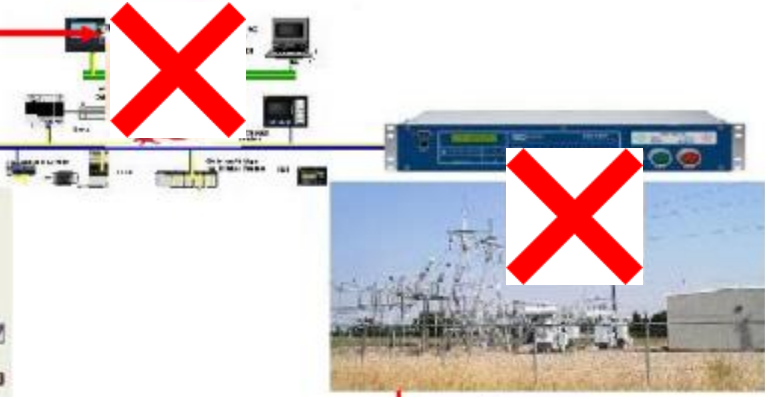


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A Solution

“Resilient” defensive techniques are more effective in ICS environments



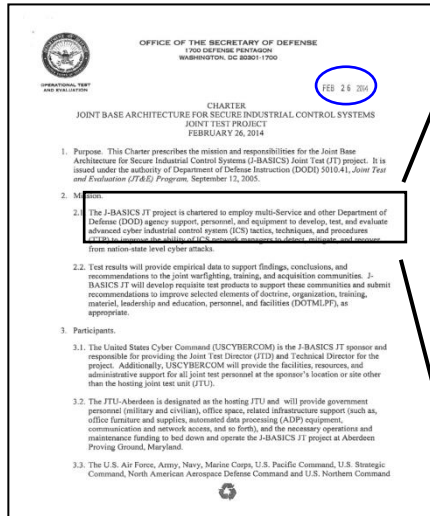
Joint Base Architecture for Secure Industrial Control Systems (J-BASICS) Joint Test



J-BASICS

Charter

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“employ multi-Service and other Department of Defense (DoD) agency support, personnel and equipment to develop, test, and evaluate advanced cyber industrial control system (ICS) tactics, techniques, and procedures (TTP) to improve the ability of ICS network managers to detect, mitigate, and recover from nation-state level cyber attacks”

Background

The Joint Base Architecture for Secure Industrial Control Systems (J-BASICS) is an OSD funded, Army Test and Evaluation managed, Joint Test to develop defensive cyber TTPs to detect, mitigate, and Recover ICS/SCADA from nation-state level of cyber attacks.

The Joint Test was chartered in 2014 and is scheduled for closedown on or before 31 Dec 2015.

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Problem Statement

Network managers supporting DOD Industrial Control Systems (ICS) lack TTP to detect, mitigate, and recover from nation-state level cyber attacks.



Tactics, Techniques & Procedures

- **Key Considerations**

- The TTP must complement existing policies and procedures
- The TTP must fill cyber incident response gaps for ICS
- The TTP must be effective, usable, and applicable to the warfighter's ICS environment
- The TTP must be scalable and able to adapt to future requirements

- **Related Policy & Guidance**

- CJCSM 6510.01B: Defense Cyber Incident Handling
- DoDI 8510.01: Risk Management Framework
- NIST SP800-53: Security & Privacy Controls for Federal Information Systems
- CNSSI No. 1243: Security Control Overlays for ICS
- NIST SP800-37: Applying RMF to IT Security Life Cycle
- NIST SP800-82: ICS Security



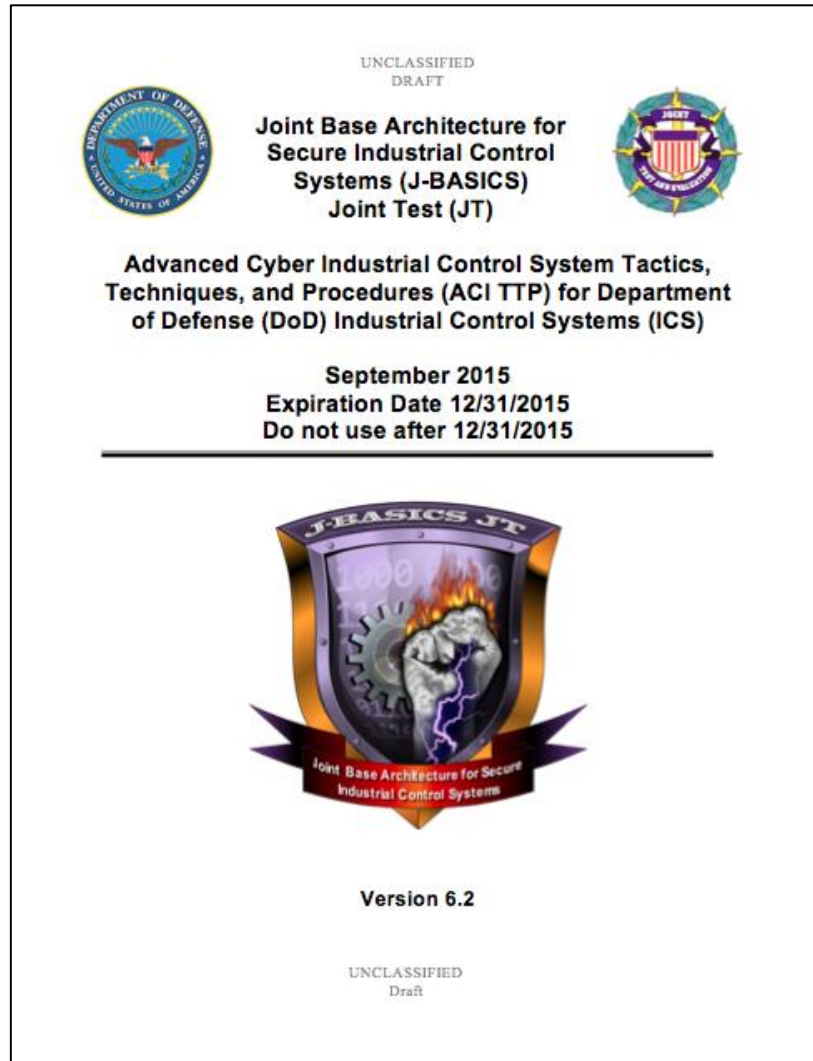
Tactics, Techniques & Procedures

- **Methodology Approach**

- Research existing studies on cyber security procedures in ICS
 - Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT)
 - Naval Postgraduate School
 - MITRE Cyber Resiliency Metrics
 - Technical Reference – Industrial Network Security, Handbook of SCADA, etc
- Conduct four site surveys to gather information on existing ICS operations
 - Kitsap Naval Base
 - Joint Base Lewis-McChord
 - Ft Carson Army Base
 - Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
- Develop TTP to integrate with ICS work flow



Tactics, Techniques & Procedures



- Three Main Sections:
 - Detect
 - Mitigate
 - Recover



Understanding Detection

- The Detection portion of the ACI TTP enables ICS and IT operators to identify symptoms of malicious cyber activity prior to attack including:
 - System status/configuration changes
 - Unauthorized network access
 - Network traffic anomalies
 - Initial mode(s) of access
 - Lateral network movement
 - Network hop points
 - Firmware compromise





Understanding Detection

- The key is early detection
 - Detecting the enabling functions
- Evidence and IOCs determine severity level
- ICS-Specific incident escalation factors
 - What is the impact?
 - Impact of safety of an operation
 - Impact the reliability of an operation
 - Indications of capability to achieve a large scale impact
 - Number of systems impacted by the threat
 - Where does evidence exist?
 - What is the function of the system at risk? Safety-related function? Control function? Monitoring function? Auxiliary/Support function?
 - Does evidence exist of control system traffic or data leaving the controlled/protected networks?



Understanding Mitigation

- Mitigation is the ability to fight through an attack, enabling mission to move forward, by gracefully degrading the ICS network – while maintaining mission capability
- The Role of Mitigation
 - Minimize negative impact
 - Ensure some level of capability despite attack
 - 24-Hour Survival Plan/Initial Triage
- How do you mitigate a cyber attack?
 - Graduated approach to mitigation
 - Options and Flexibility
 - Network layer or function group segmentation





Understanding Recovery

- What does it mean to recover from a cyber attack?
 - More than restoring back to proper health
 - Full system re-integration (Number of devices to reintegrate)
 - Not getting re-infected
 - Putting everything together correctly
- Recovery Process
 - Not a static process
 - Ok to move between steps based on operational goals and depends on mission and operational priorities
- Return to Routine Monitoring



Field Test 1 Overview

- Location – Sandia National Labs
 - 2 Identical but separate ICS networks
 - 1 Week of intensive training (Oct 2014)
 - 2 Weeks of test trials (Nov 2014)
 - 4 Days during Cyber Flag 15
 - Concurrent network and ICS technical training
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- 13 Participants from across the Services
 - 6 Teams: 1 IT and 1 Facility Engineer





Field Test 2 Overview

- Location – Sandia National Labs
- 2 Identical but separate ICS networks
- 1 Week of intensive training (June 2015)
- 2 Weeks of test events (June 2015)
- 4 Days during Cyber Guard 15
- Concurrent network and ICS technical training
- 12 Participants from across the Services
(6 Teams: 1 IT and 1 Facility Engineer)





FT-2 Test Accomplishments

	Planned	Conducted					
	Required # of FT-2 Events	FT-2 Events	CG 15 Events	Free Play Events	Total Events	Scored No Tests	Total Valid Events
Detect (AP)	23	23	11	7	41	7	34
Detect (NAP)	22	23	0	0	23	1	22
Mitigate	36	41	6	0	47	2	45
Recover	14	15	1	0	16	0	16
Totals	95	102	18	7	127	10	117
FT-2:Field Test 2 CG: Cyber Guard		AP: Adversary Present NAP: No Adversary Present		FP: Free Play			



Test Results: FT-1 and FT-2

FT-1 Issues	FT-1 Result	Trials	WEC
Detect (Adversary Present)	61%	36	40%
Detect (Normal Operations)	100%	12	70%
Mitigate	87%	31	70%
Recover	89%	18	60%



FT-2 Issue	FT-2 Results	Events	WEC
Detect (Adversary Present)	62%	36	60%
Detect (No Adversary Present)	86%	22	70%
Mitigate	71%	45	80%
Recover	94%	16	60%



Overall Results

- Detect:
 - TTP allowed Operators to detect as designed. TTP was designed to:
 - Reject false positives (high specificity)
 - Mid-level detect rate (lower than 75% sensitivity)
 - TTP allows for an approximate 10-time increase in the odds of detecting an adversary if the adversary is present
 - Results show that the more information provided to the user, the more successful the operator will be in using the TTP to detect an adversary
- Mitigate: Results show that the more complex the mitigate task, the harder the mitigation becomes
- Recover: TTP was successful in enabling Operators to restore devices to FMC and reintegrate those devices back into network



Defensible Position

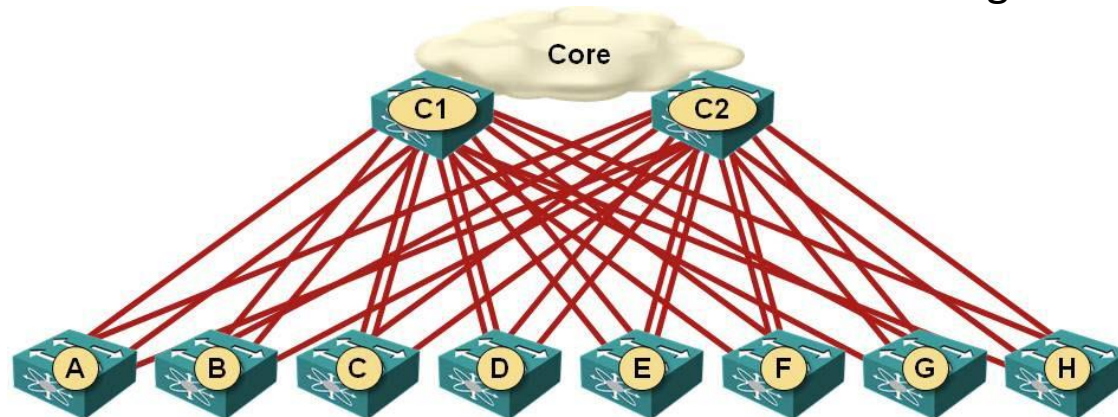
There is a reason this soldier is running...



and this one is not...



The owner of this network should be running





Questions?