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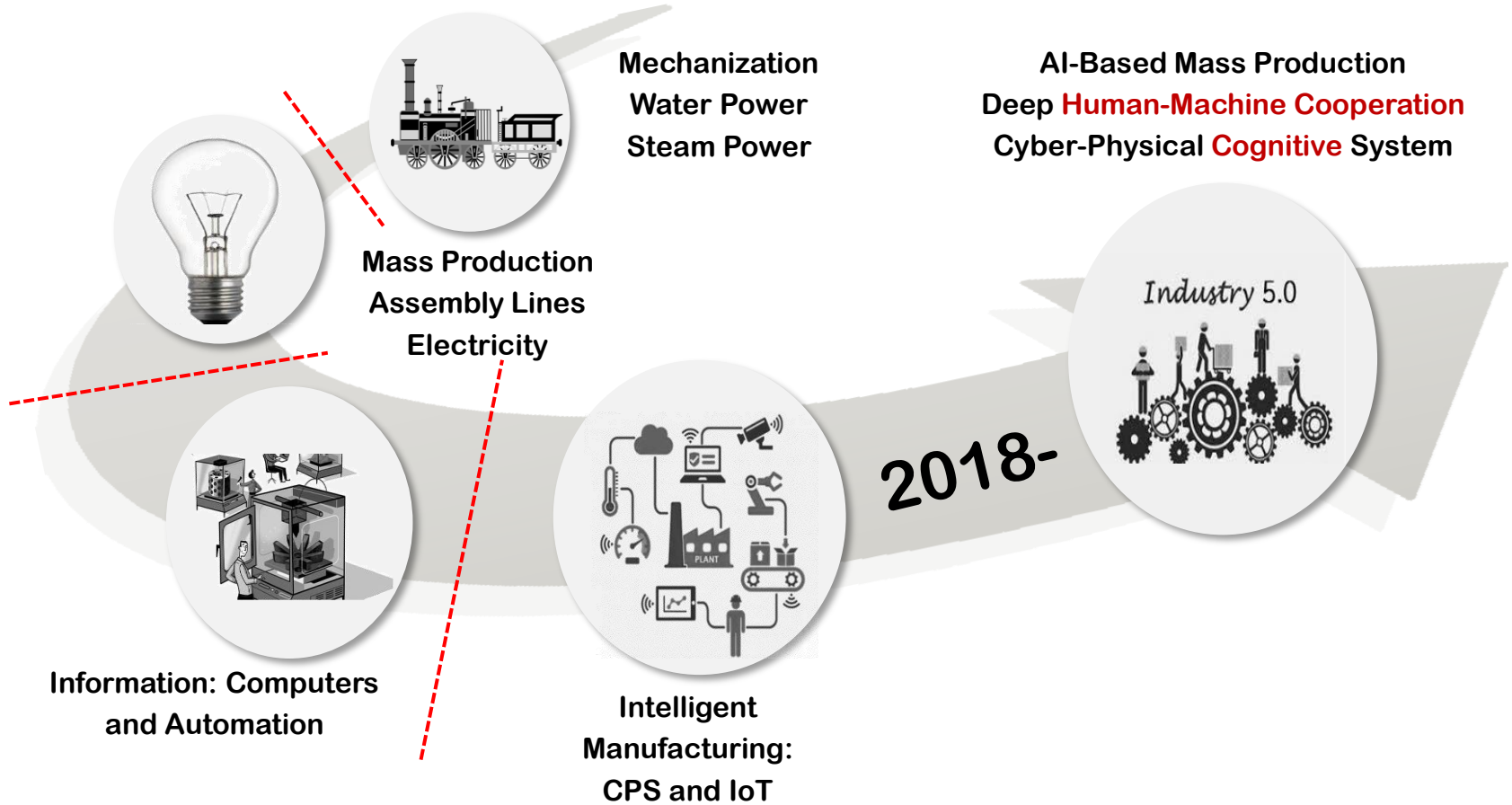
- What are cyber-physical systems?
- Cyber-physical system security
- Attack design
- Conclusion



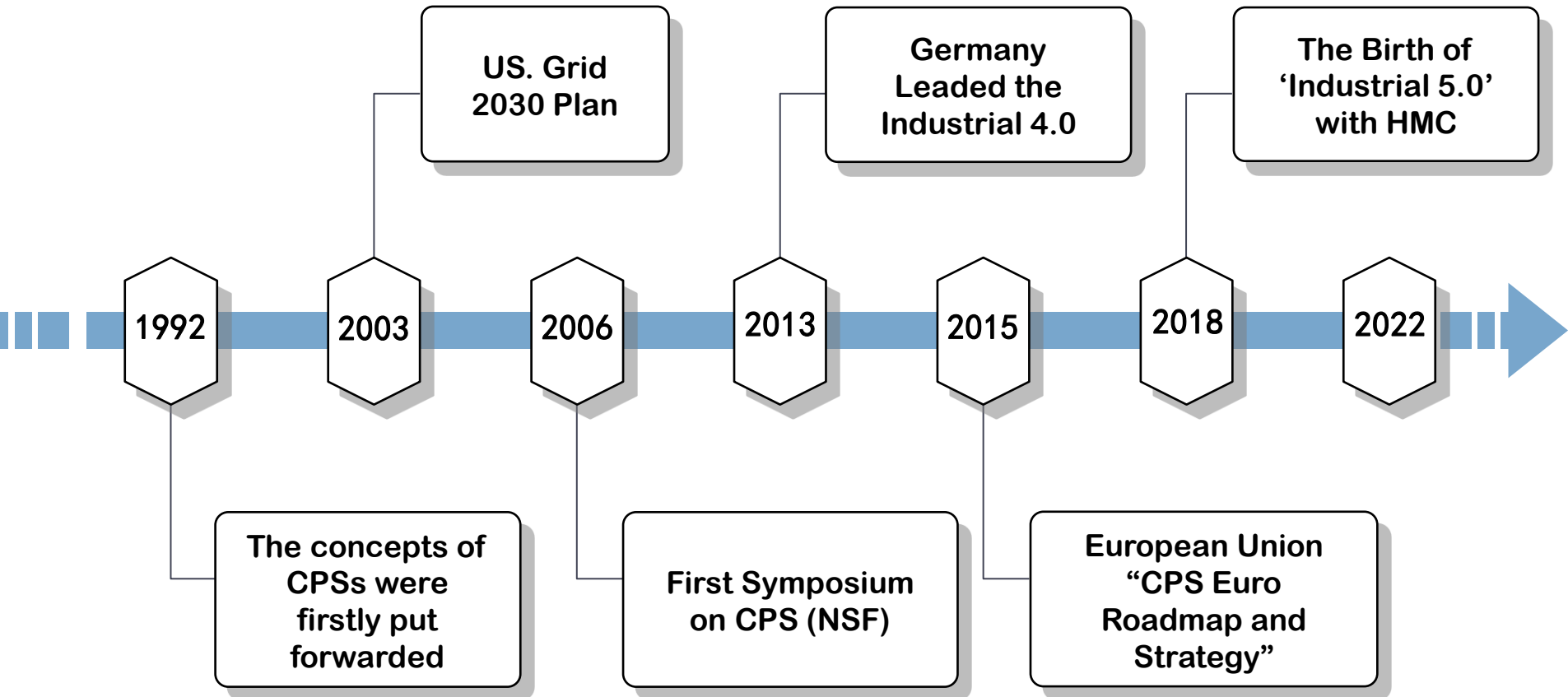
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# What are cyber-physical systems?

# What are CPS

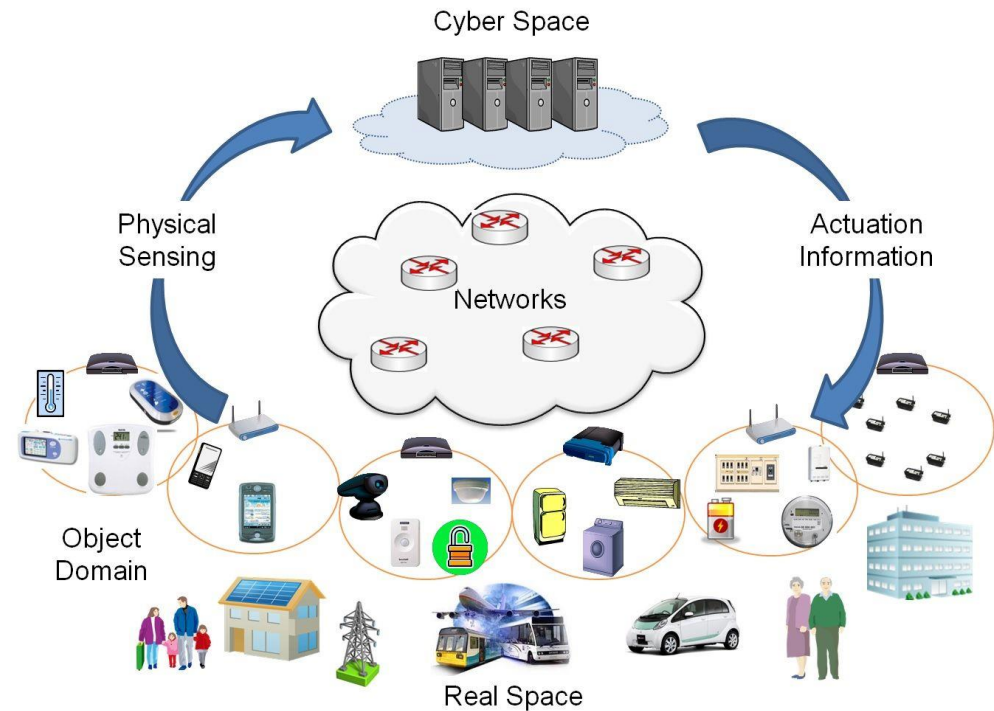


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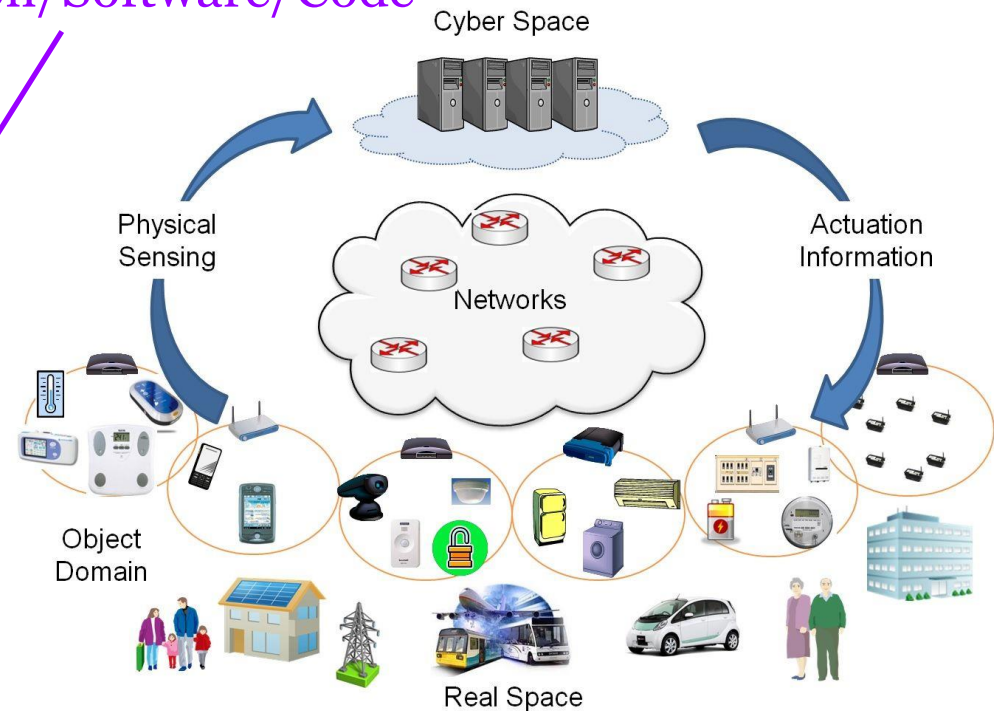


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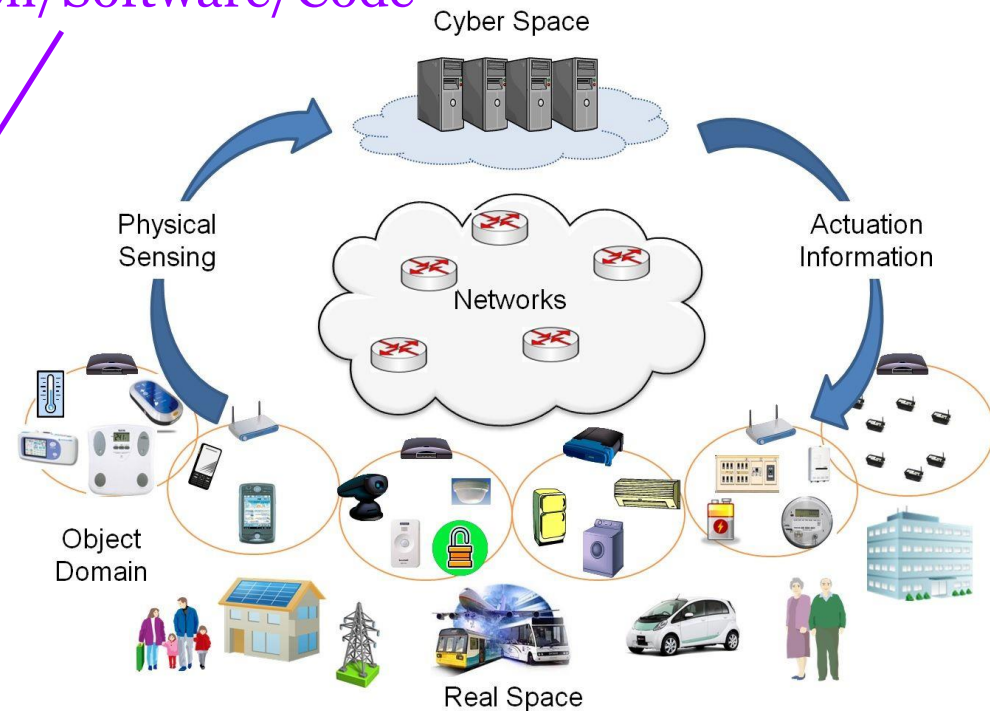
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**Do not design the physics and the cyber separately**

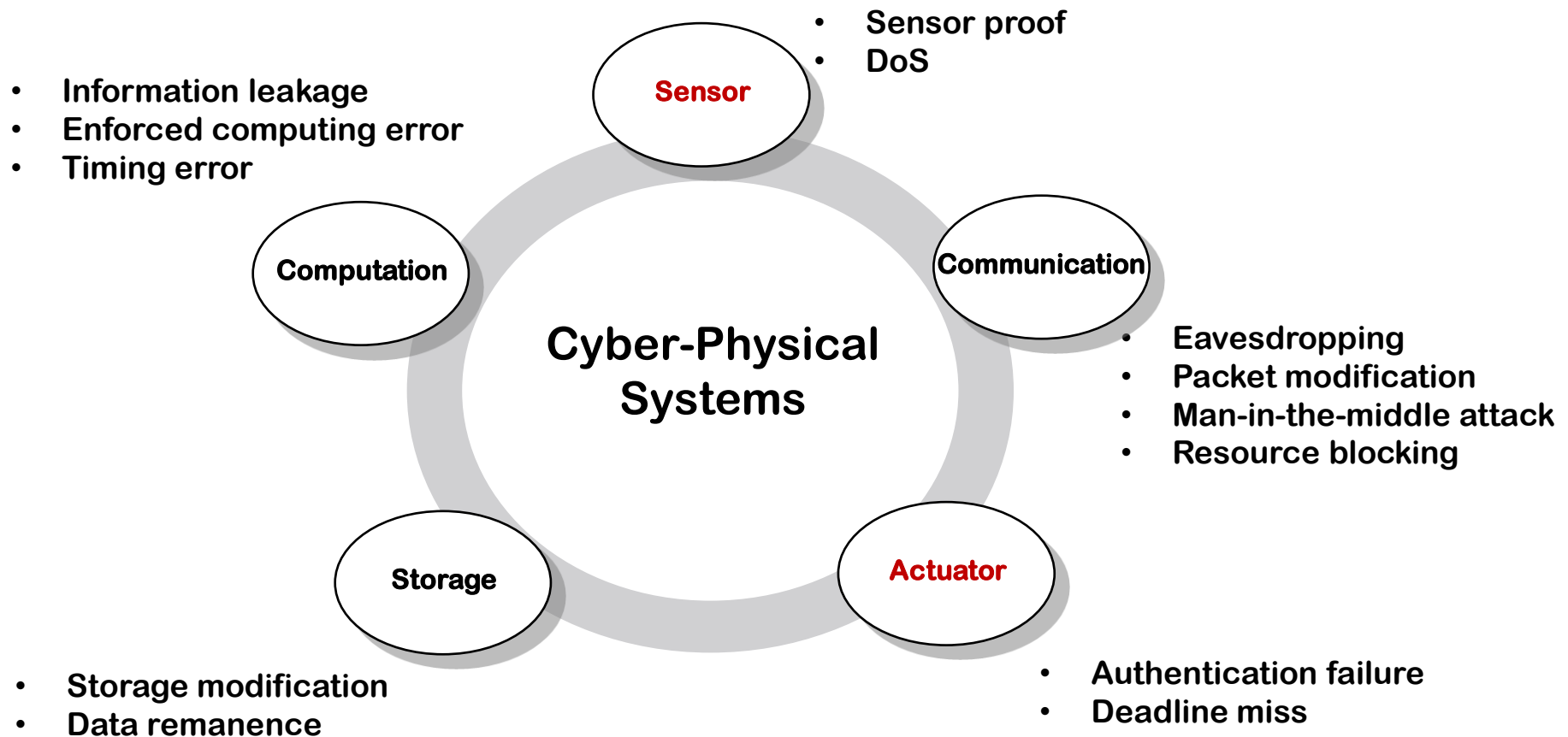
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# Cross-Discipline Insights of CPS

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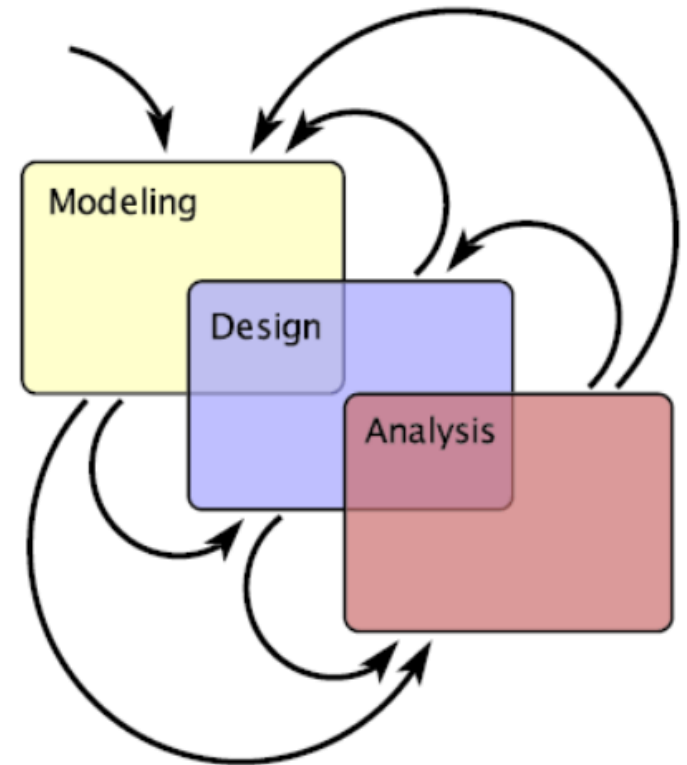
- Control with shared processors
- Component privacy
- Verification and validation with timing

## Control, Estimation and System Theory

- System resilient to large changes
- Design methods that scale well
- Framework for heterogeneous components

## Communication and Information Theory

- Coordination among several controllers
- CPS security
- Control across communication channels



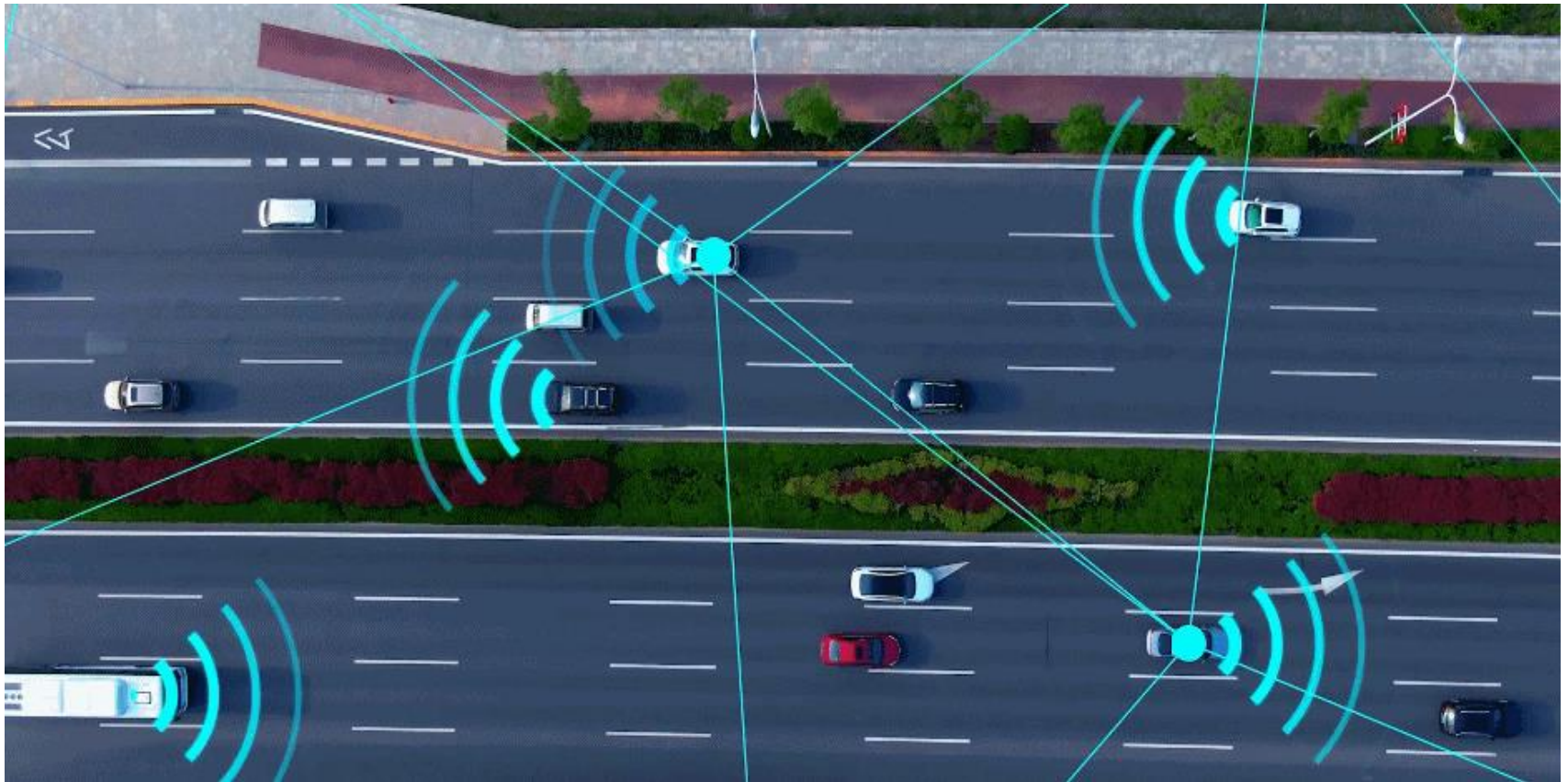
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## Robotic systems



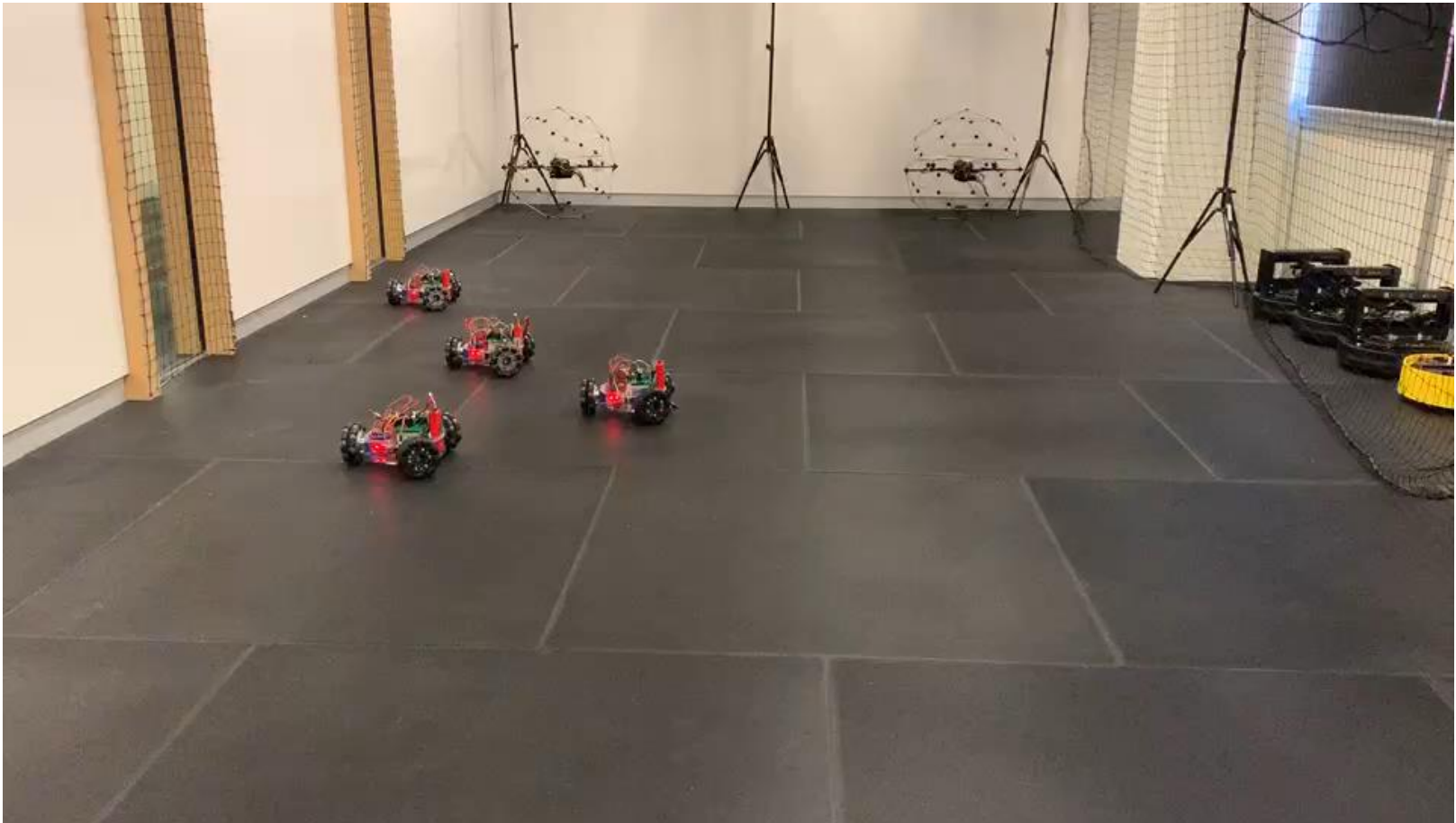
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## Intelligent transportation systems



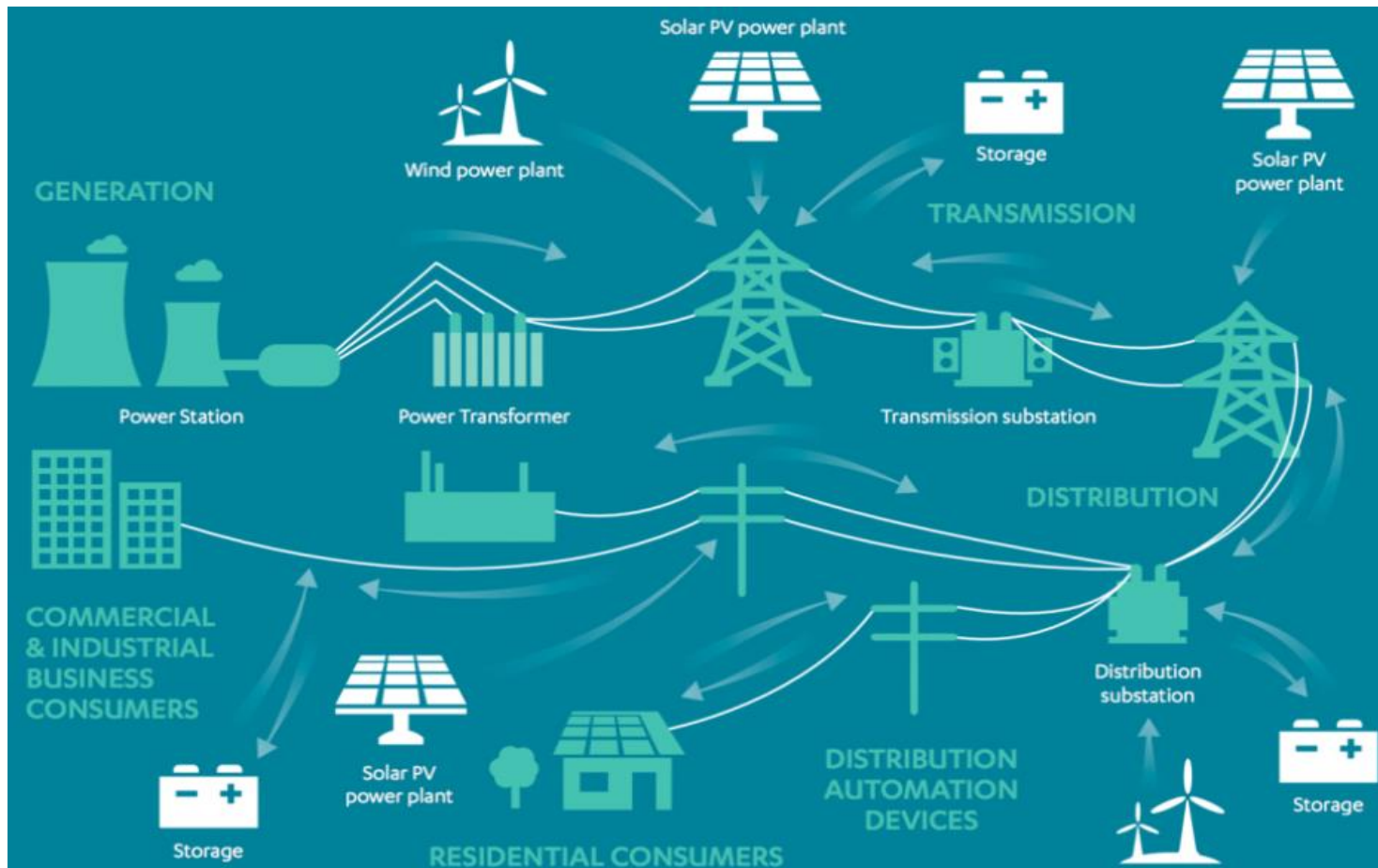
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## Multiple vehicular systems



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## Smart Grids





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# Cyber-physical system security





# CPS: Security Incidents

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## Hackers threaten to leak plastic surgery pictures

By Joe Tidy  
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## SolarWinds hackers viewed Microsoft's source code

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Japanese carmaker Honda says it has been hit by a cyberattack

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<https://www.euronews.com/2021/08/02/italian-website-for-vaccination-appointments-targeted-by-hackers>

# CPS security



A Joint Cybersecurity Advisory published by the Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency about destructive malware targeting organizations in Ukraine is seen Feb. 28.

[Russia Ukraine: 'Most serious cyberattack of the Ukraine war' cripples tens of thousands modems \(9news.com.au\)](https://www.9news.com.au/news/technology/russia-ukraine-most-serious-cyberattack-of-the-ukraine-war-cripples-tens-of-thousands-modems/2022/02/28)

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- Cyber security was earlier studied in **computer science**, defined as preventing attackers from achieving objectives through **unauthorized** access to **computers** and **networks**.
- CPS security includes both **security**, which sometimes is used as a system property that corresponds to **defend against** attacks, and **resiliency**, a system property that corresponds to **survival and recovery** after the occurrence of an attack[1]

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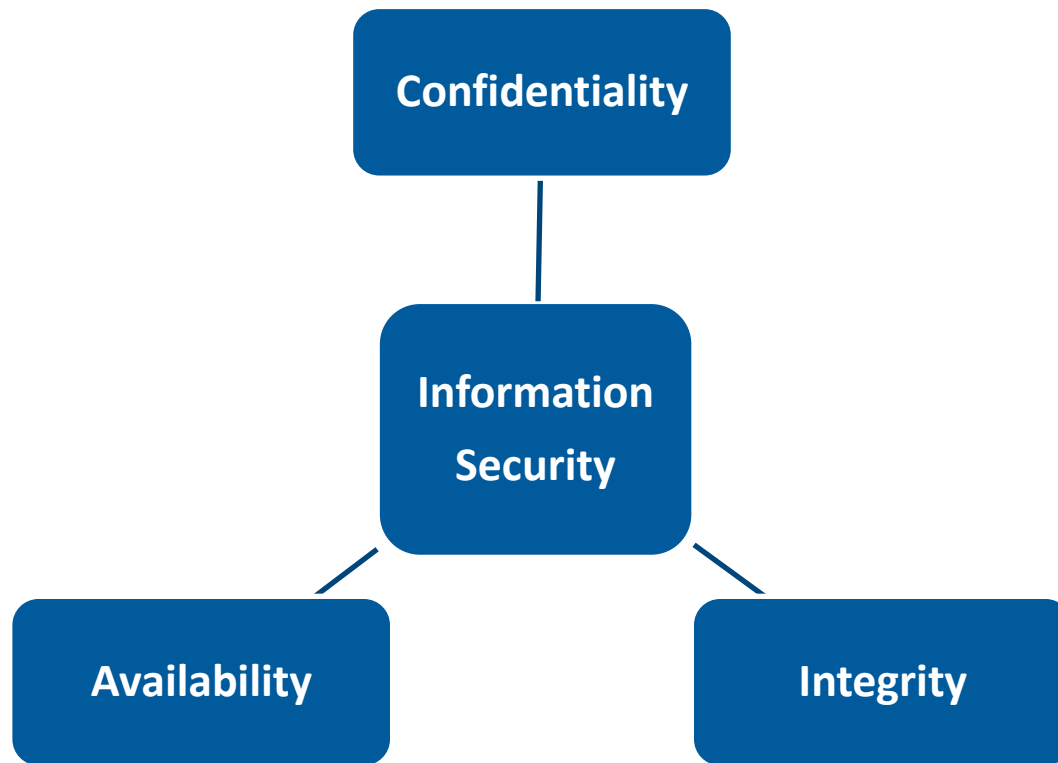
- The intrinsically **open attribute of the cyber layer** leads to information eavesdropping, privacy intrusion, and service interruption, even causing the **negative impacts of physical processes mirrored from cyberspace to the nature world**
- Owing to the deep integration of cyber and physical realms, **normal operation can be disrupted** leading to serious security incidents
- From the perspective of control engineering, **security is crucial for CPSs**

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Security objectives

**CIA Triad**



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- **Hybrid cyber-attacks**

Dynamic hybrid-triggered-based fuzzy control for nonlinear networks under multiple cyber-attacks," *IEEE Transactions on Fuzzy Systems*, DOI: [10.1109/TFUZZ.2021.3134745](https://doi.org/10.1109/TFUZZ.2021.3134745), 2021

# CPS security

## Differences Between Faults and Attacks

### Attacks

- Man-in-the-Middle impacts, namely, malicious human impacts
- Minimize mathematical assumptions/dependencies
- Potentially bypass the anomaly detection
- Aided by AI techniques, attacks can be more complex and intelligent
- Mirror the basic attribute of CPS: Human-machine interaction

### Faults

- Physical disturbance events not act in a coordinated manner
- Mathematical assumptions/dependencies (magnitudes/statistics)
- Effectively monitored by anomaly detection and identification
- Not induced by human impacts

# CPS security

## Differences Between Security and Safety

Security

- **Goal:** Protecting the systems from humans
- **Risk Source:** Potential 'human-in-the-loop' attacks by virtue of accessing the system locally or remotely to threat the normal operation and configuration
- **Assessment:** The sources of threats are normally unknown and hard to predict in view of the adversary abilities. Difficult to assess its impacts
- **Influence:** The system itself and its operation environment

Safety

- **Goal:** Protecting humans from the systems
- **Risk Source:** Accident risk of systems caused impacts on the system environments leading to nature destroying
- **Assessment:** The features of hazards are more scrutable. Such analysis can be deployed by set-based methodologies. Its feedback is reliable when the hazards are relatively stable
- **Influence:** The system's operation environment.

# CPS security

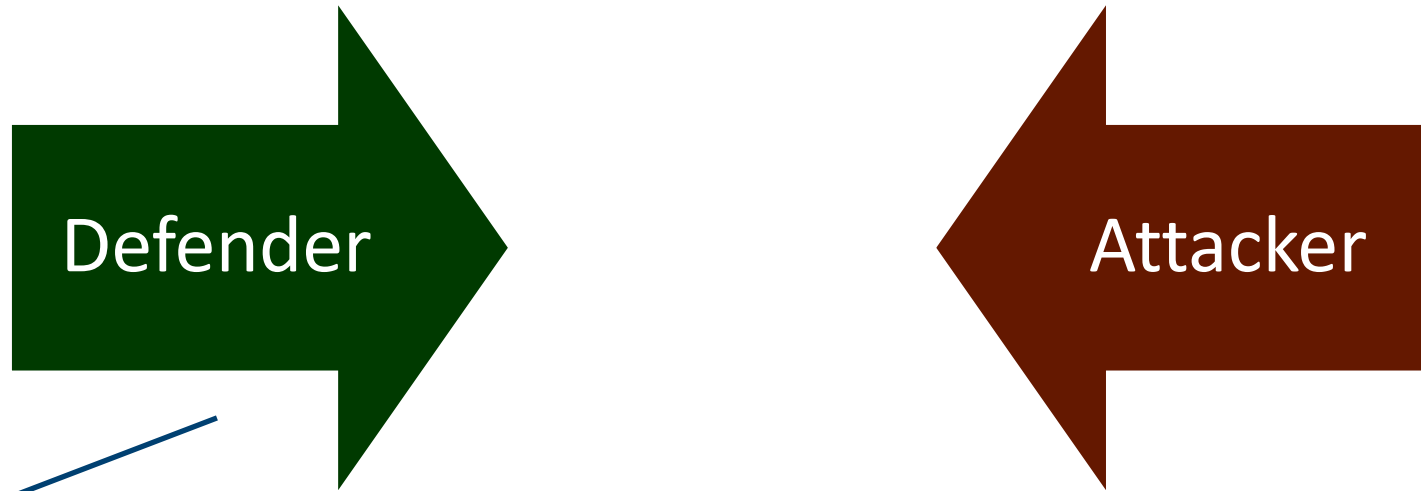


Make effective countermeasures against cyber-attacks, ensuring that CPS run safely and securely



Design stealthy attacks to degrade the system performance without being detected

# CPS security



Given the available sensor measurement of **a system** subject to the attack, develop a desirable security control scheme such that

- the actual system state can be estimated accurately and reliably
- the manipulated system can be recovered from attacked operation back to normal

- Attack detection
- Secure estimation
- Secure control

Fuzzy-model-based lateral control for networked autonomous vehicle systems under hybrid cyber-attacks, *IEEE Transactions on Cybernetics*, 2022

Dissipativity-based sliding-mode control of cyber-physical systems under denial-of-service attacks. *IEEE Transactions on Cybernetics*, 2020

Resilient adaptive event-triggered fuzzy tracking control and filtering for nonlinear networked systems under denial of service attacks, *IEEE Transactions on Fuzzy Systems*. 2021.

Attack and estimator design for multi-sensor systems with undetectable adversary, *Automatica* 2019

Dynamic hybrid-triggered-based fuzzy control for nonlinear networks under multiple cyber-attacks, *IEEE Transactions on Fuzzy Systems*, 2021

Sparse false injection attacks reconstruction via descriptor sliding mode observers, *IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control*, 2020

Memory-based continuous event-triggered control for networked T–S fuzzy systems against cyberattacks, *IEEE Transactions on Fuzzy Systems*, 2020

Hybrid-triggered interval type-2 fuzzy control for networked systems under attacks, *Information Sciences*, 2021

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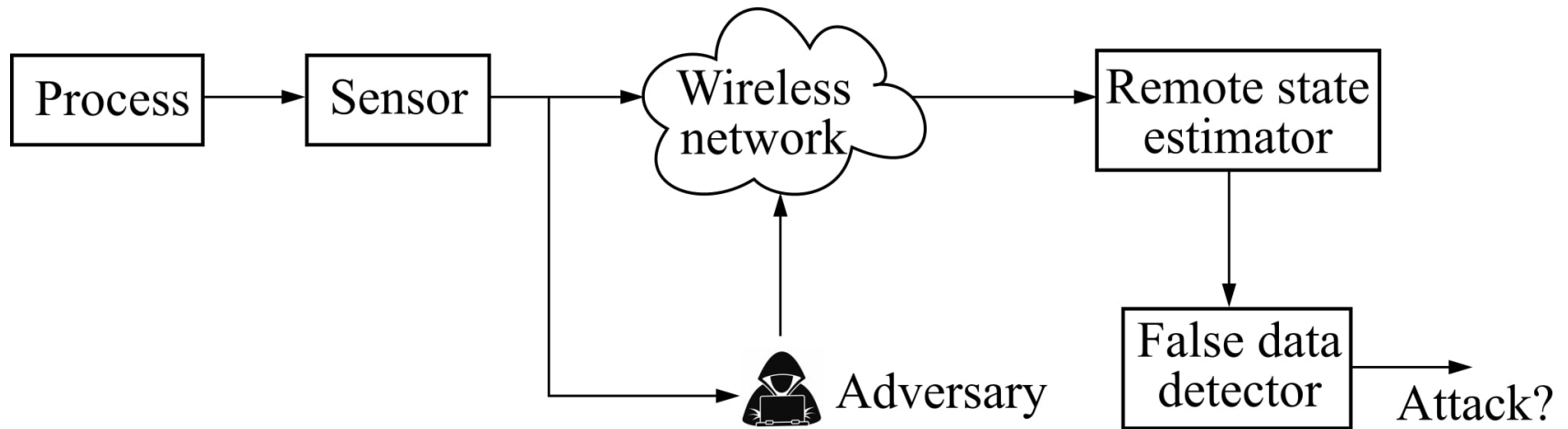




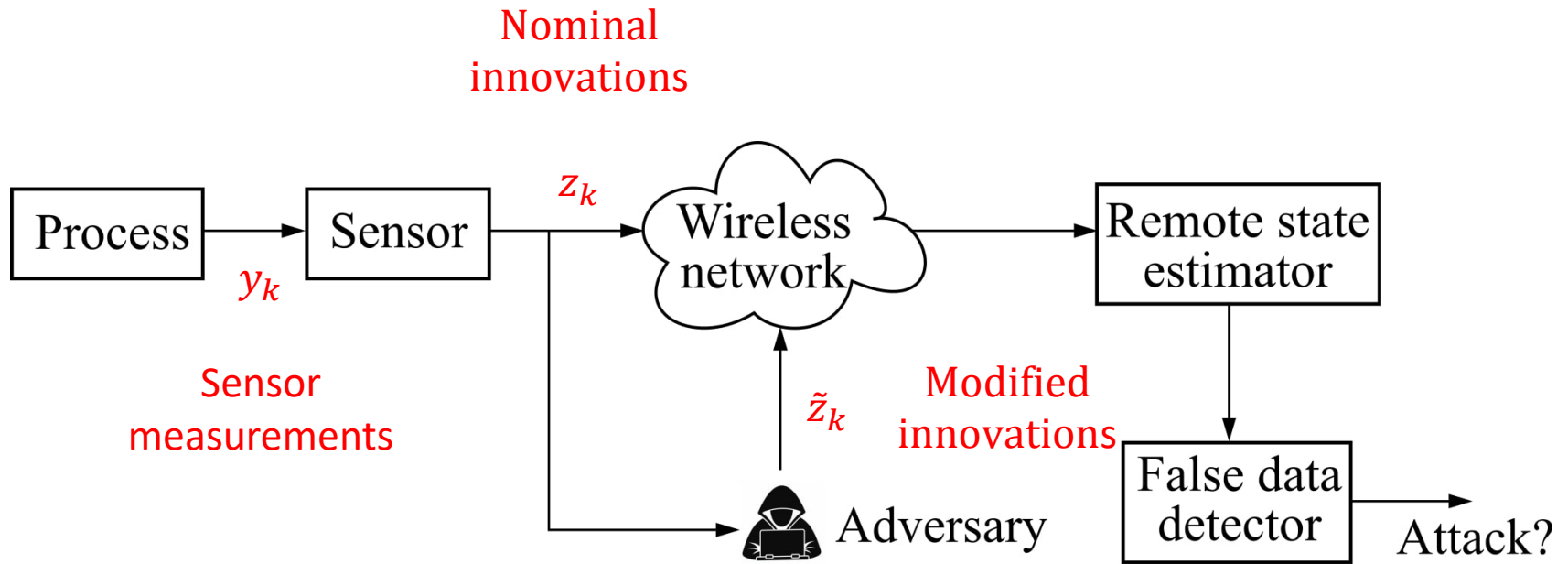
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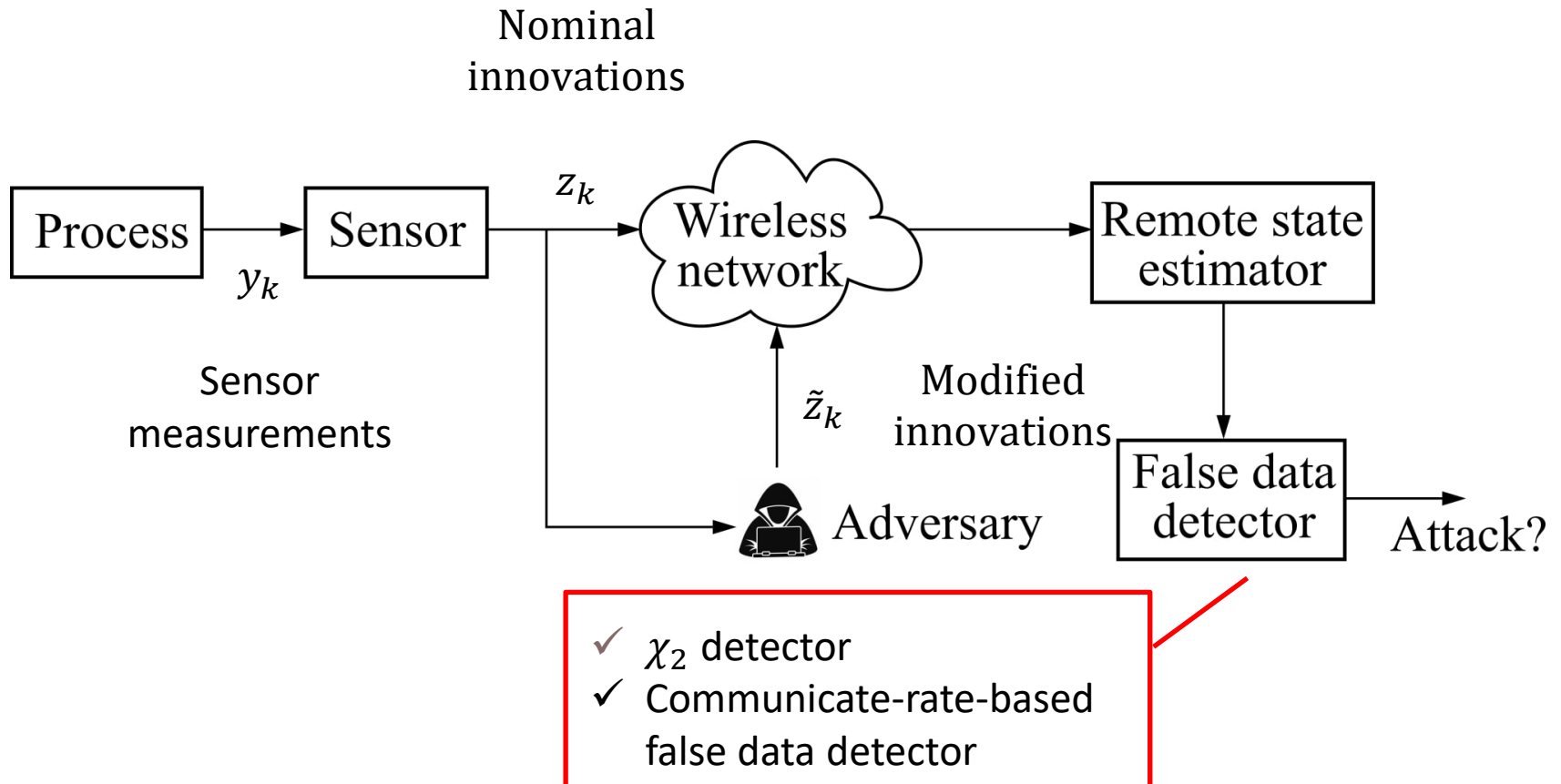
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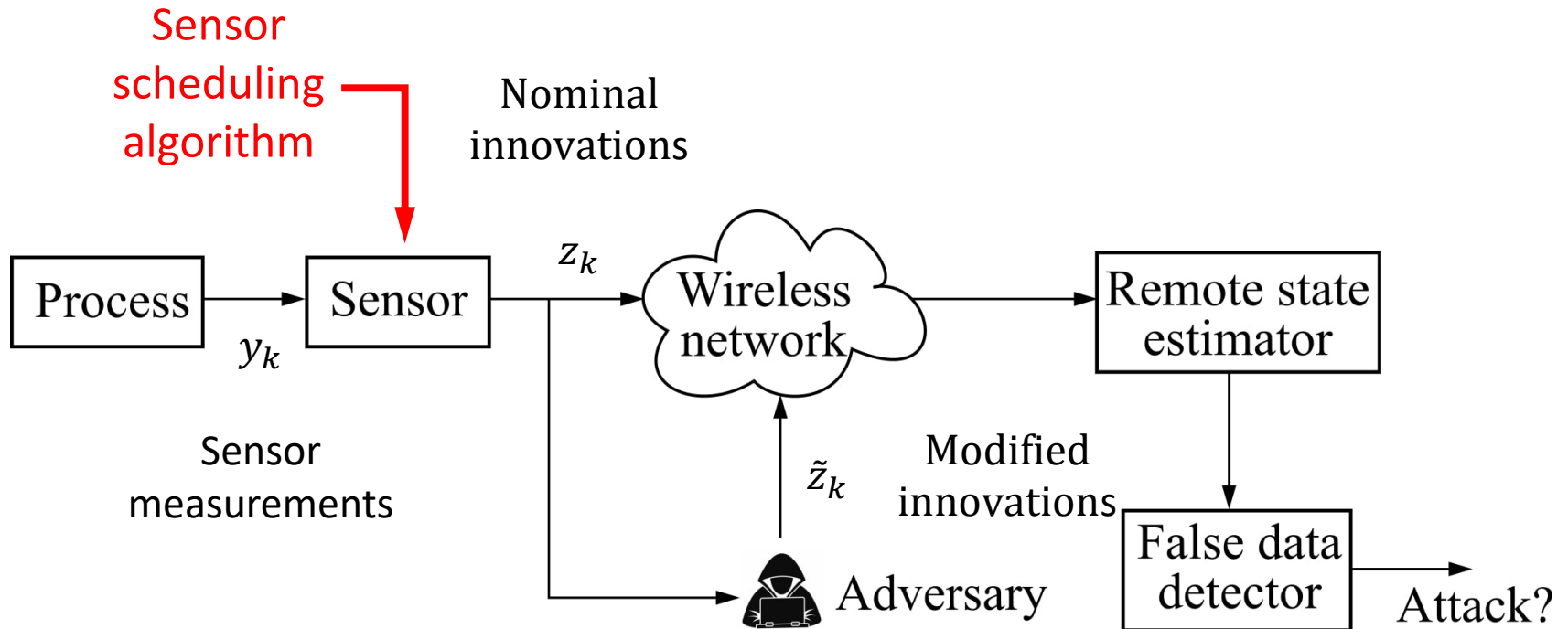
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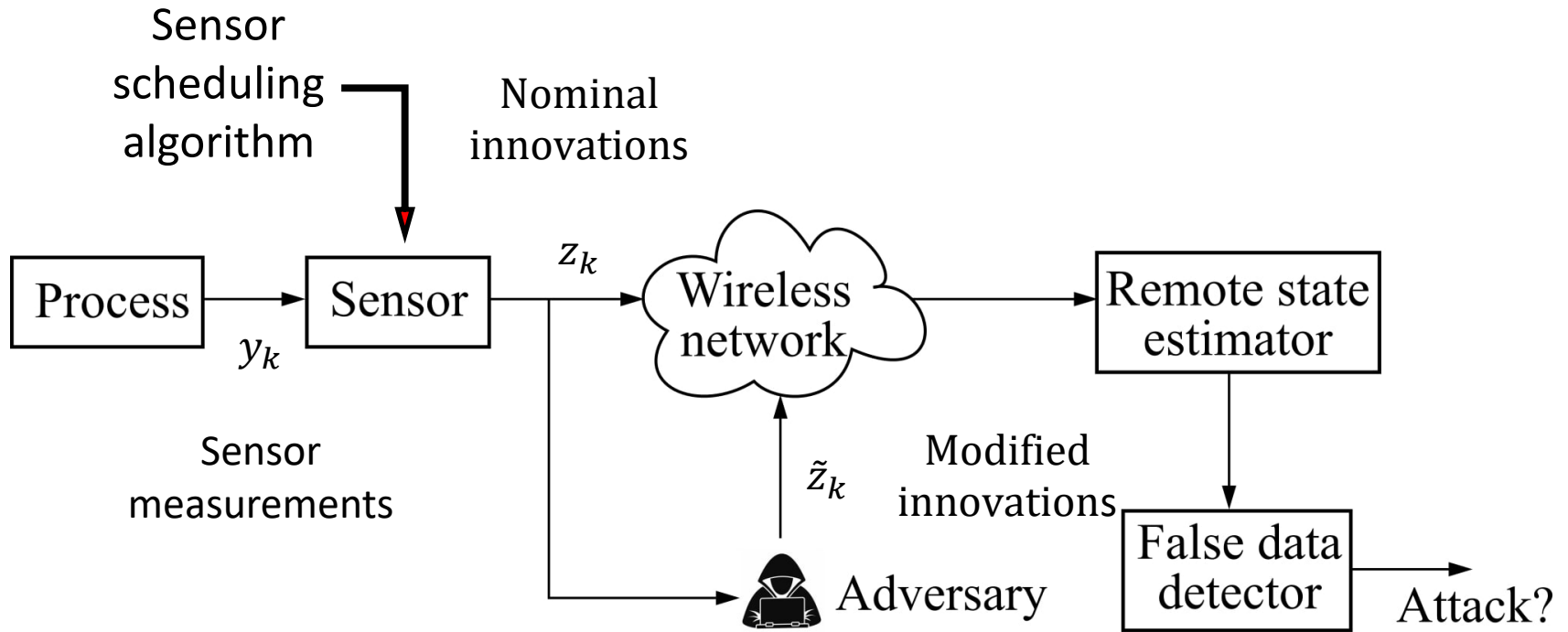
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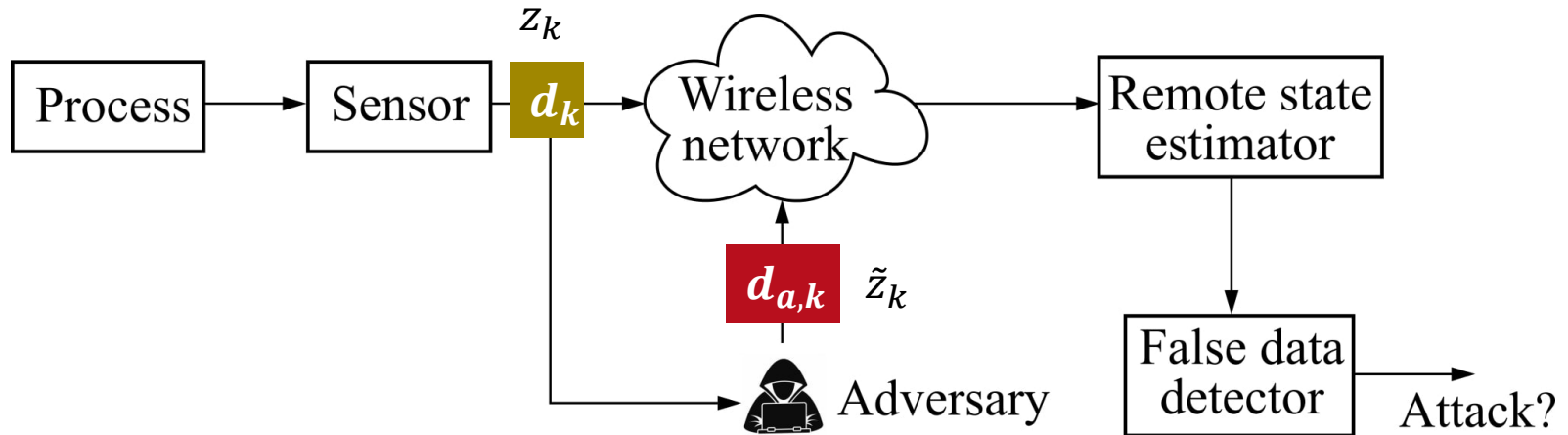


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- ✓ Intercept the transmitted packets
- ✓ Block the communication channel
- ✓ Inject false data

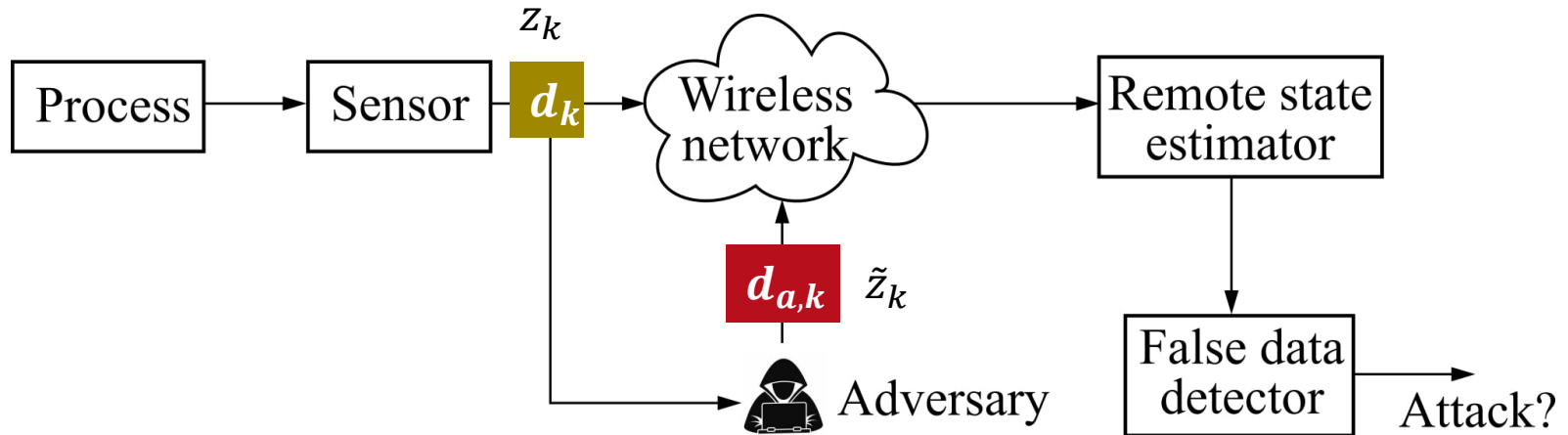
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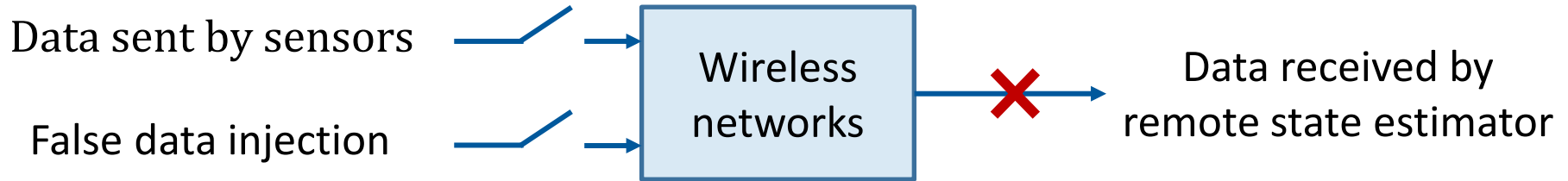
- $d_k$ : Decisive sensor indicator
- $d_{a,k}$ : Attack decision

- Case I:  $d_k = 0, d_{a,k} = 0$ . No attacks
- Case II:  $d_k = 1, d_{a,k} = 0$ . Disruption attacks
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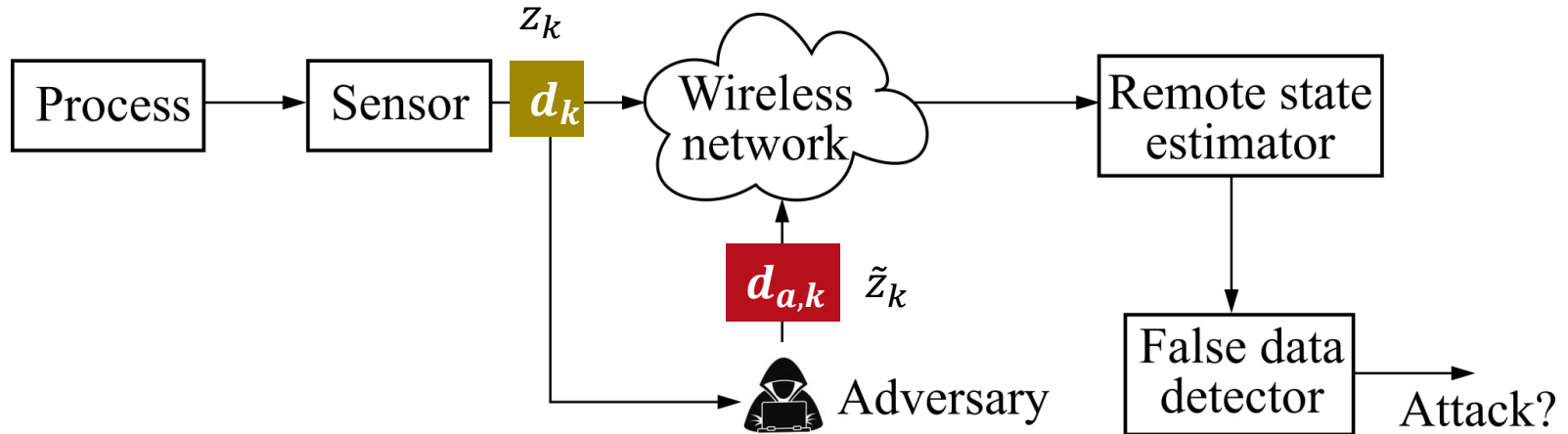


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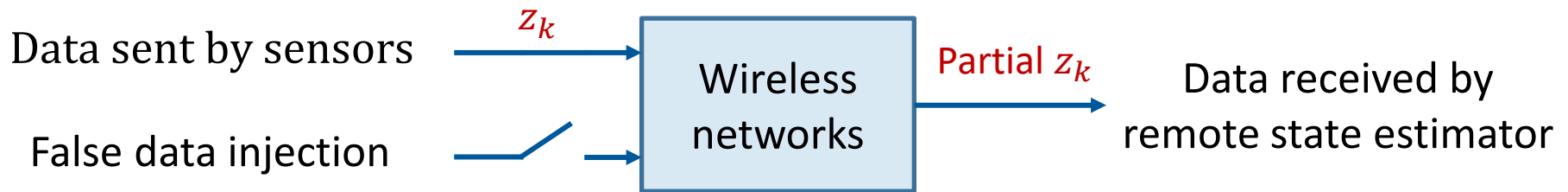




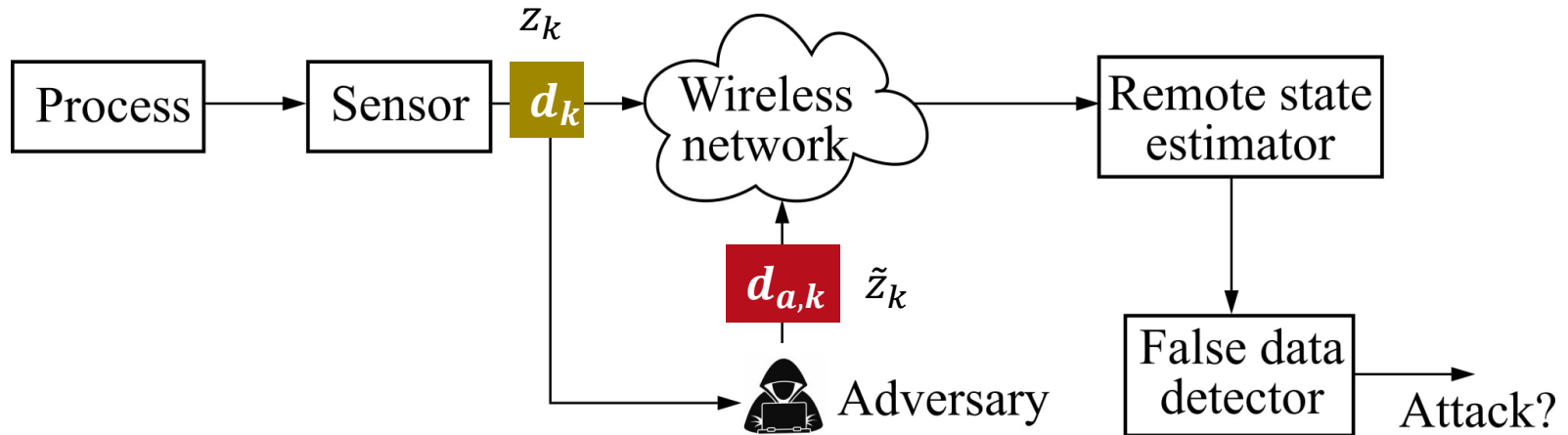
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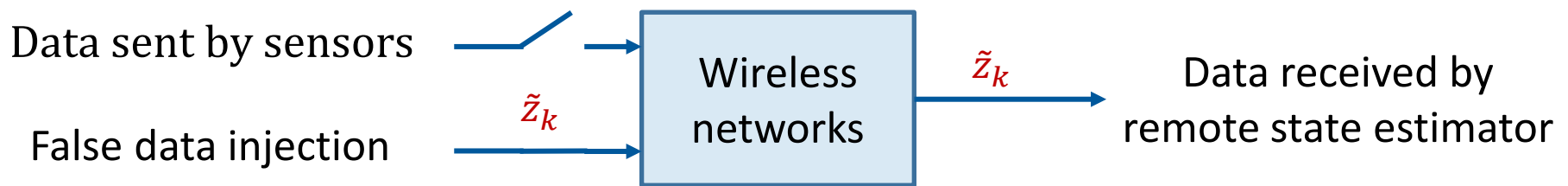
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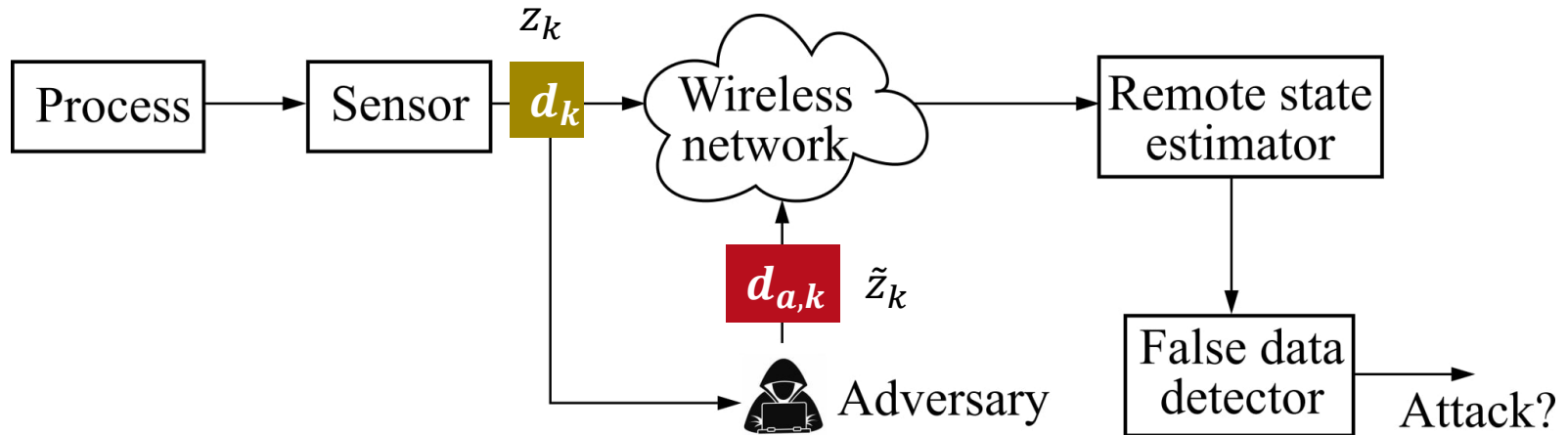
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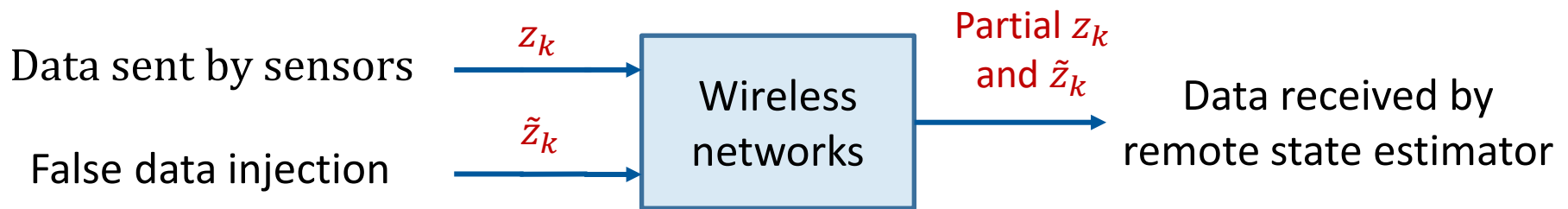
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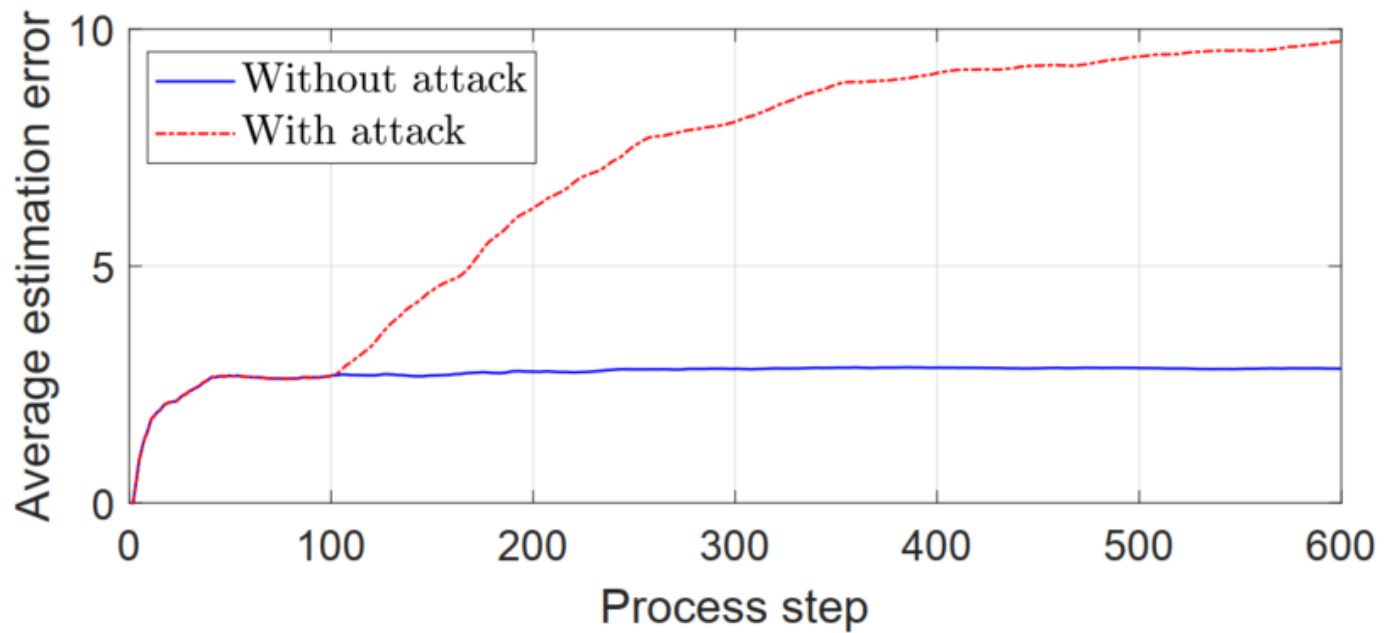
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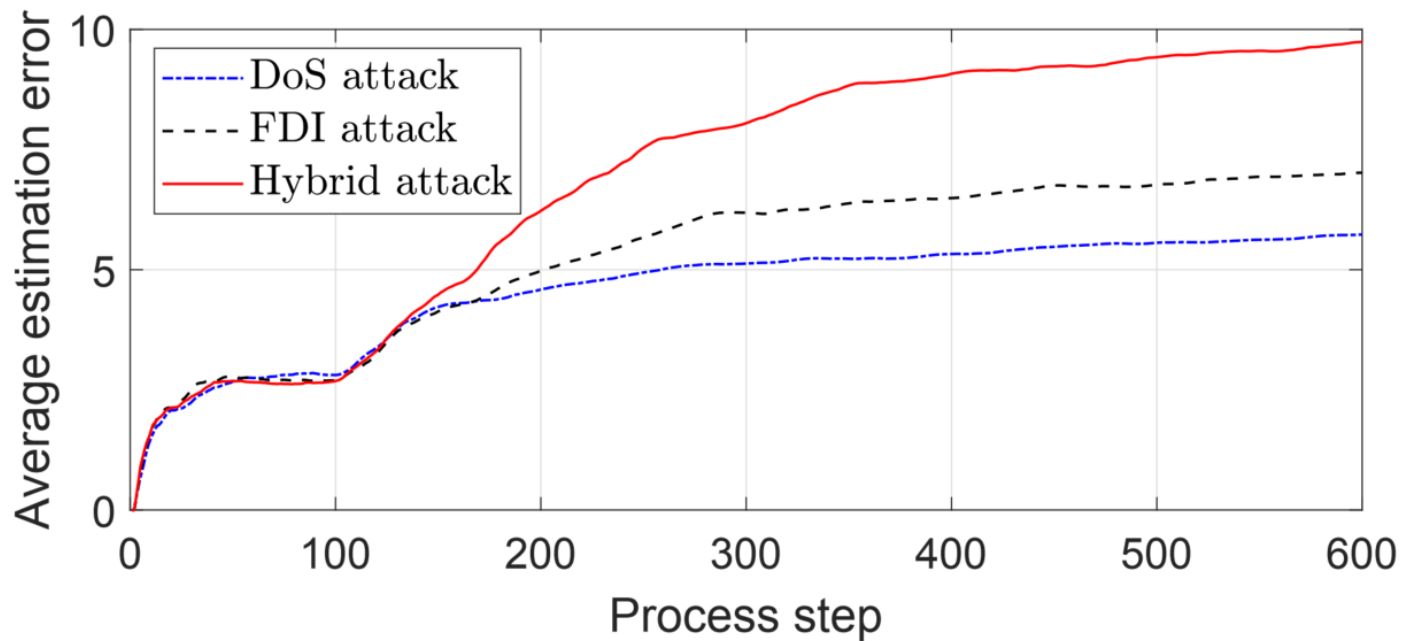
## Simulation results



Average estimation error

# Attack design

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Average estimation error under different attack policies



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# Conclusion

# Cyber-physical systems

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## Typical applications

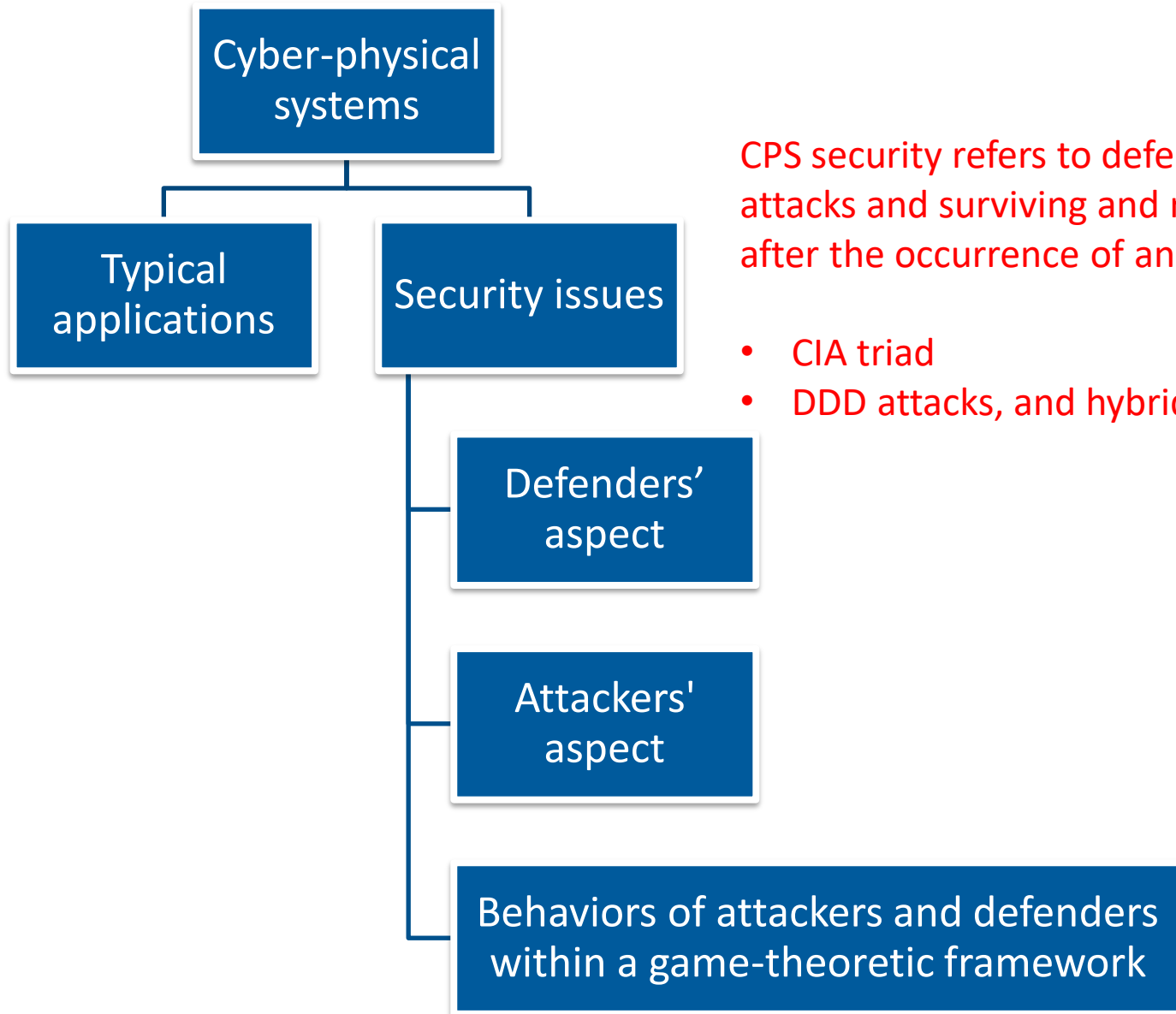
- Robotic systems
- Vehicular systems
- Power systems

## Security issues

Defenders' aspect

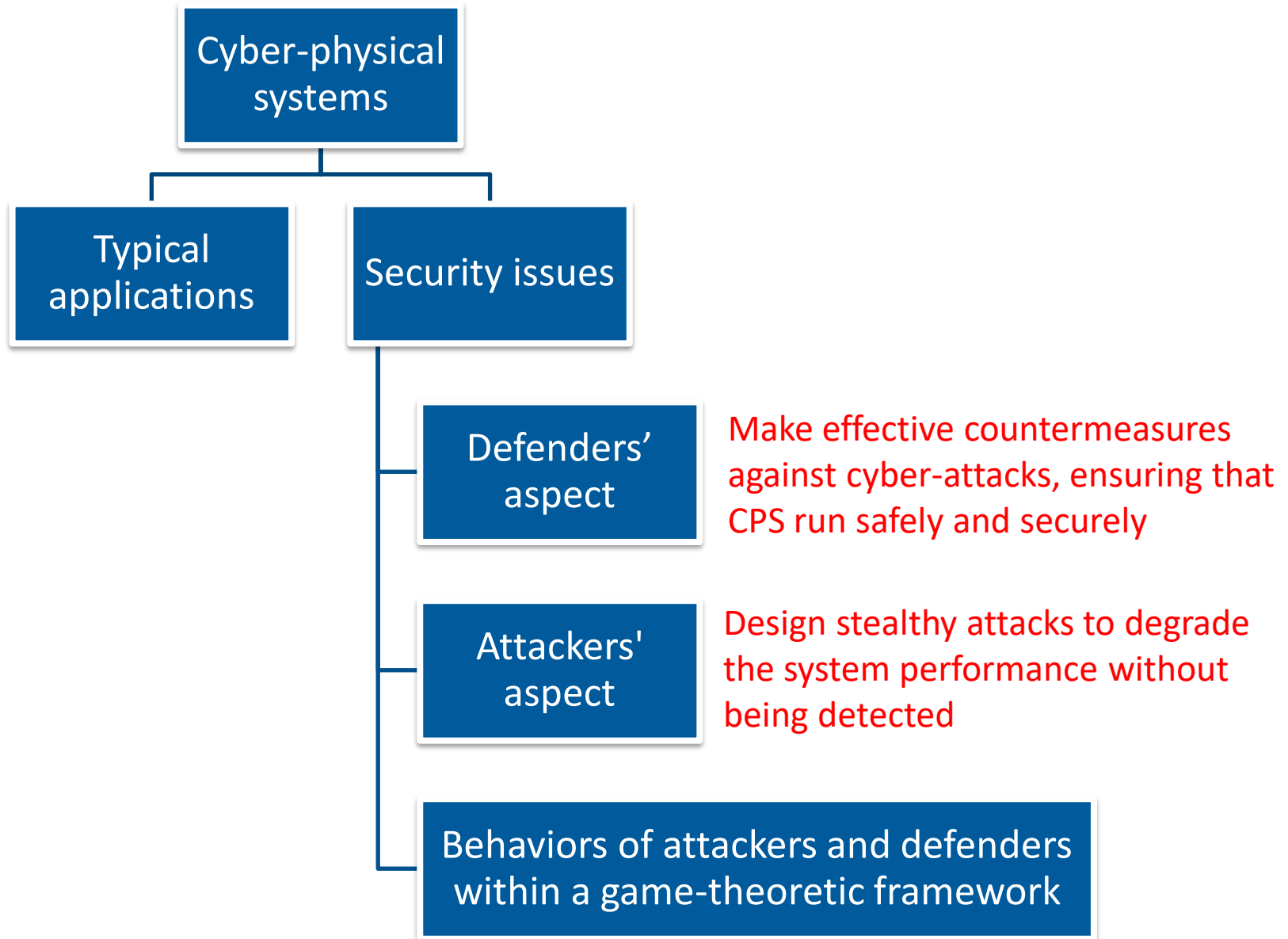
Attackers' aspect

Behaviors of attackers and defenders within a game-theoretic framework



CPS security refers to defending against attacks and surviving and recovering after the occurrence of an attack.

- CIA triad
- DDD attacks, and hybrid attacks



Thank you for listening  
Questions/Comments?

# Plans --Professorship Program

## **Research collaborations in any forms**

- Funding applications
- Junior staff/postgraduates training/supervisions
- Publications
- Journal special issues
- Conferences/symposiums/workshops/invited sessions
- Exchange programs
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