Rise of the Robots

EXPLORING RISK & ASSURANCE CHALLENGES FOR RAS

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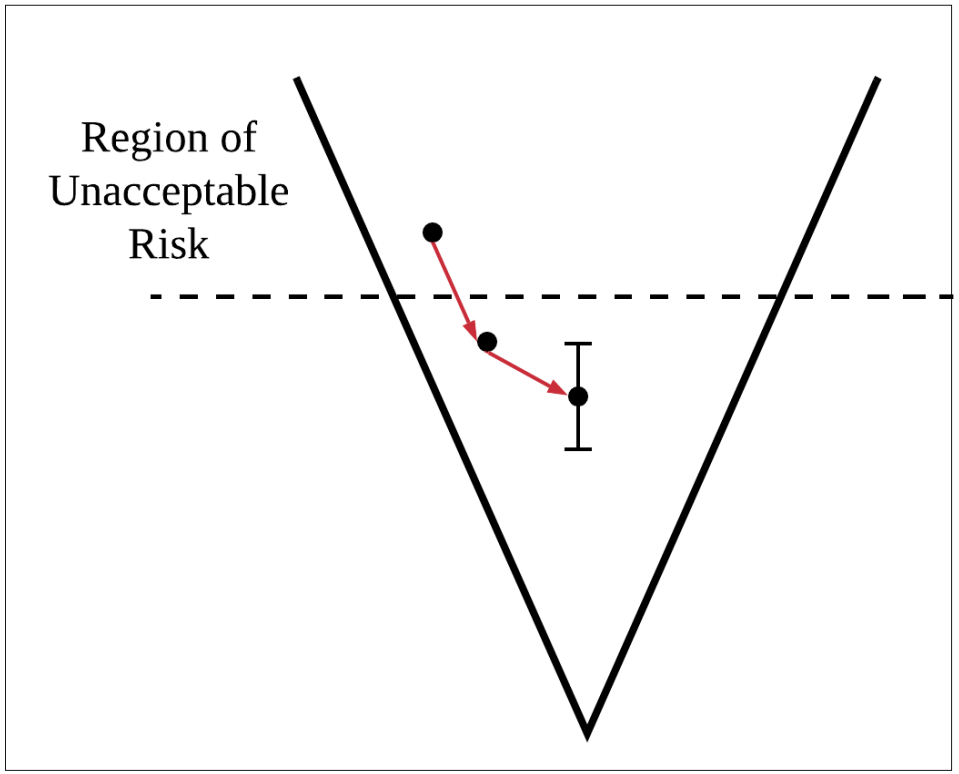
Agenda

There are fundamental differences between safety and security that have significant implications for co-assurance

- critically survey the current state-of-the-art techniques and standards
- technical and socio-technical challenges
- SSAF - a candidate solution
- discussion about ways forward

1. Risk Challenge

SAFETY-SECURITY CO-ASSURANCE



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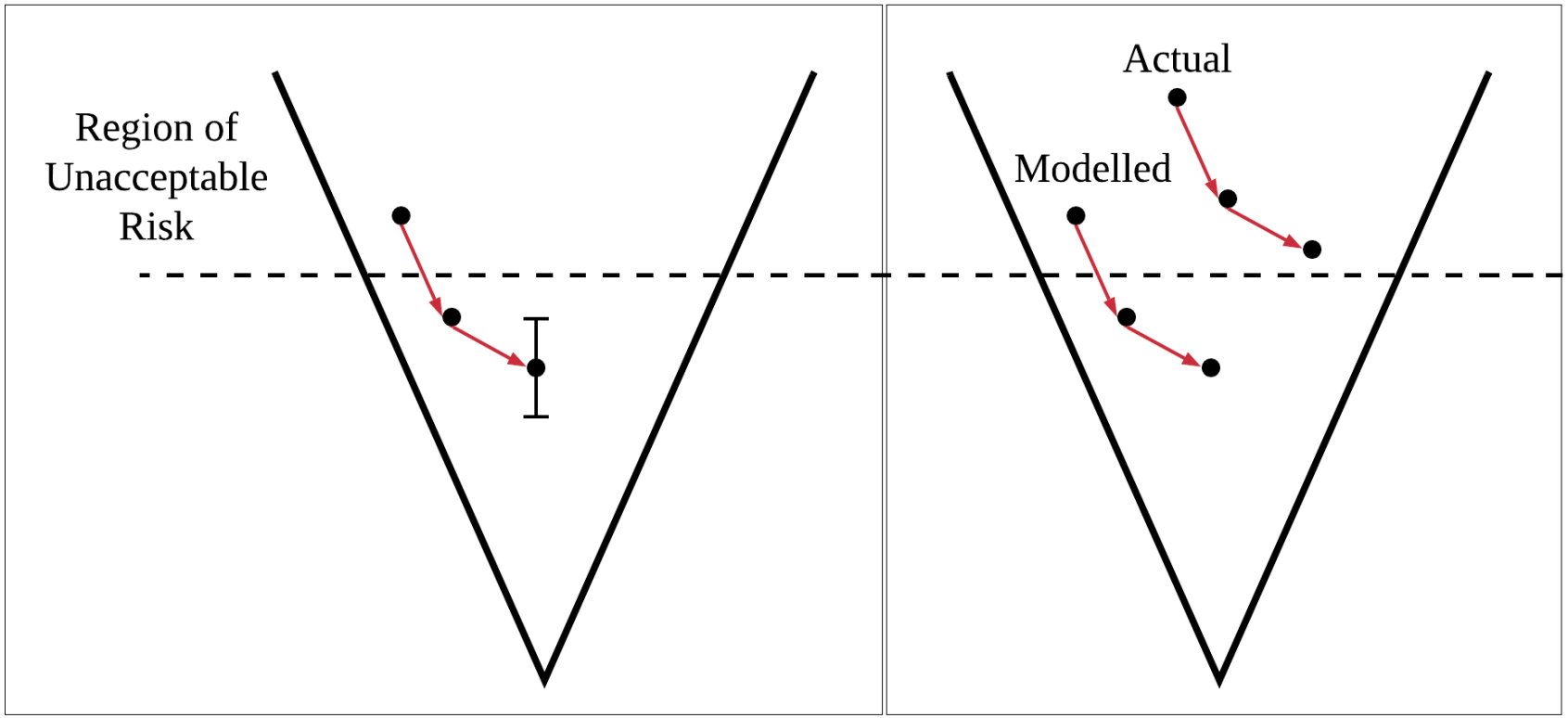

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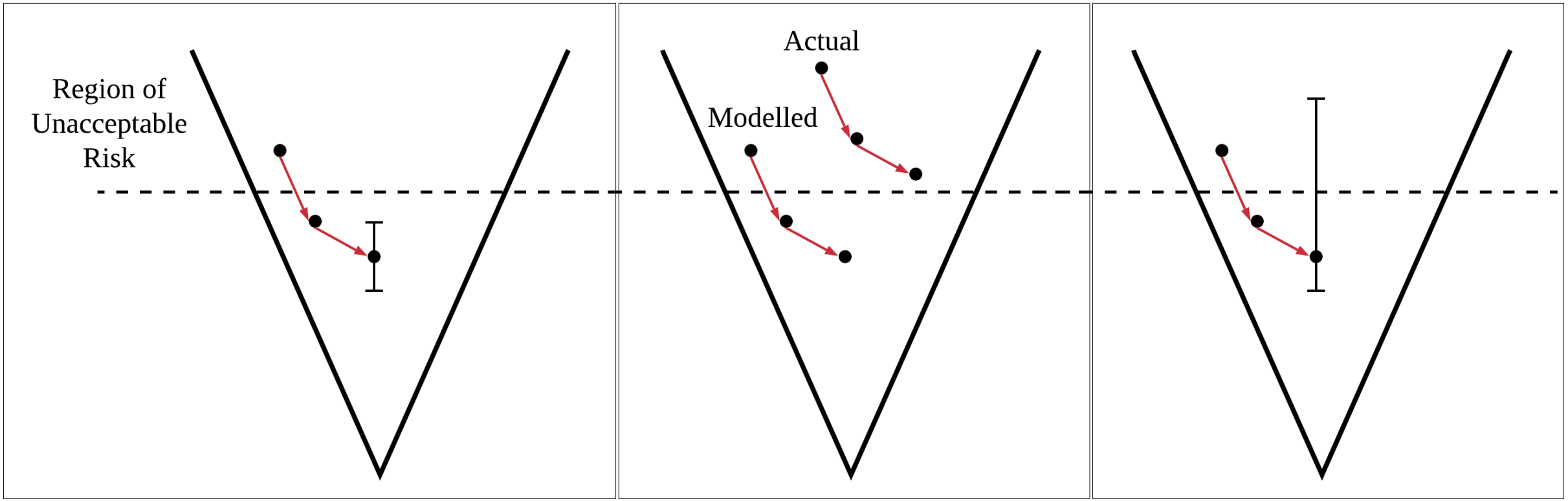

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2. Existing Approaches

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Safety-Security Standards

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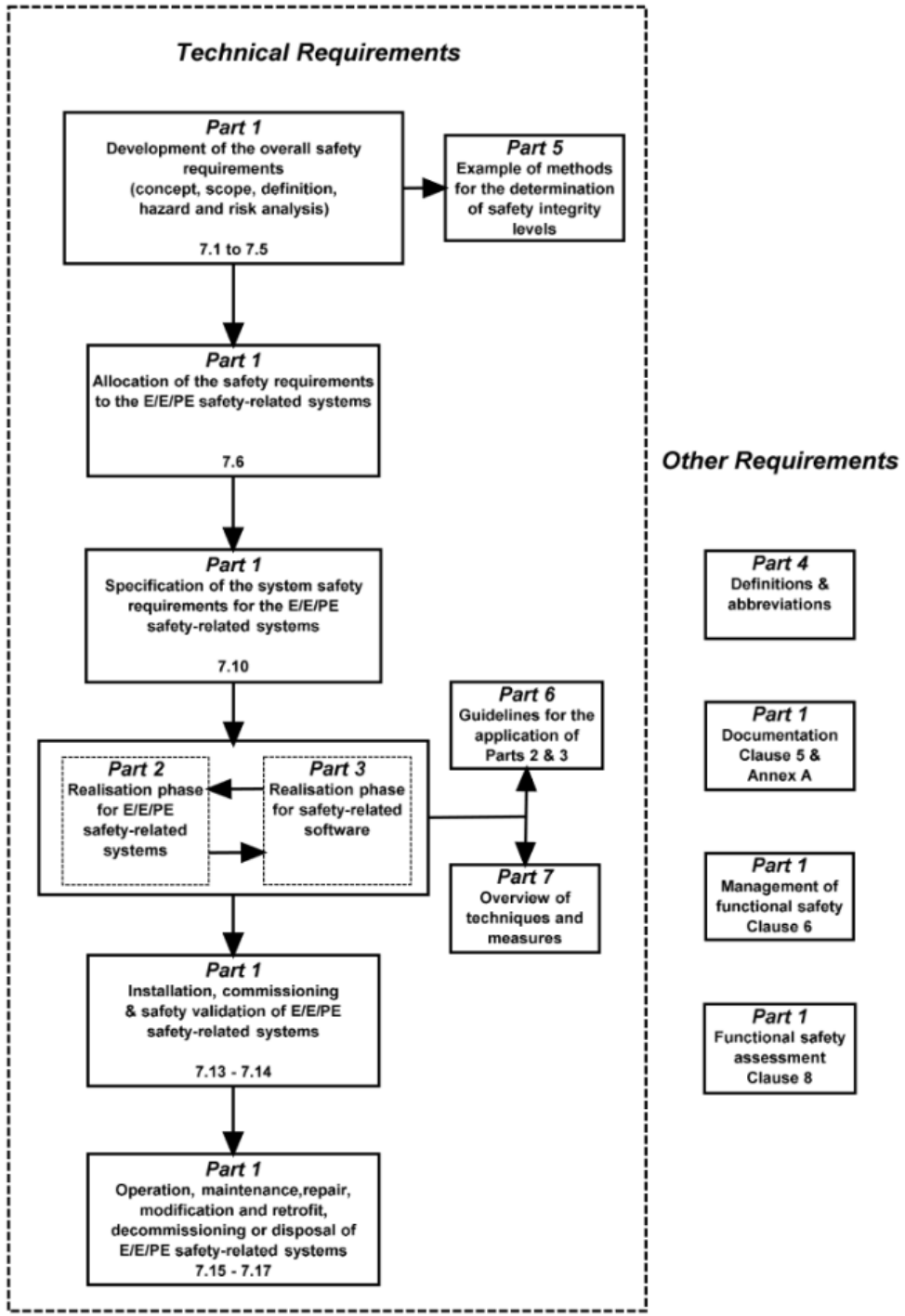

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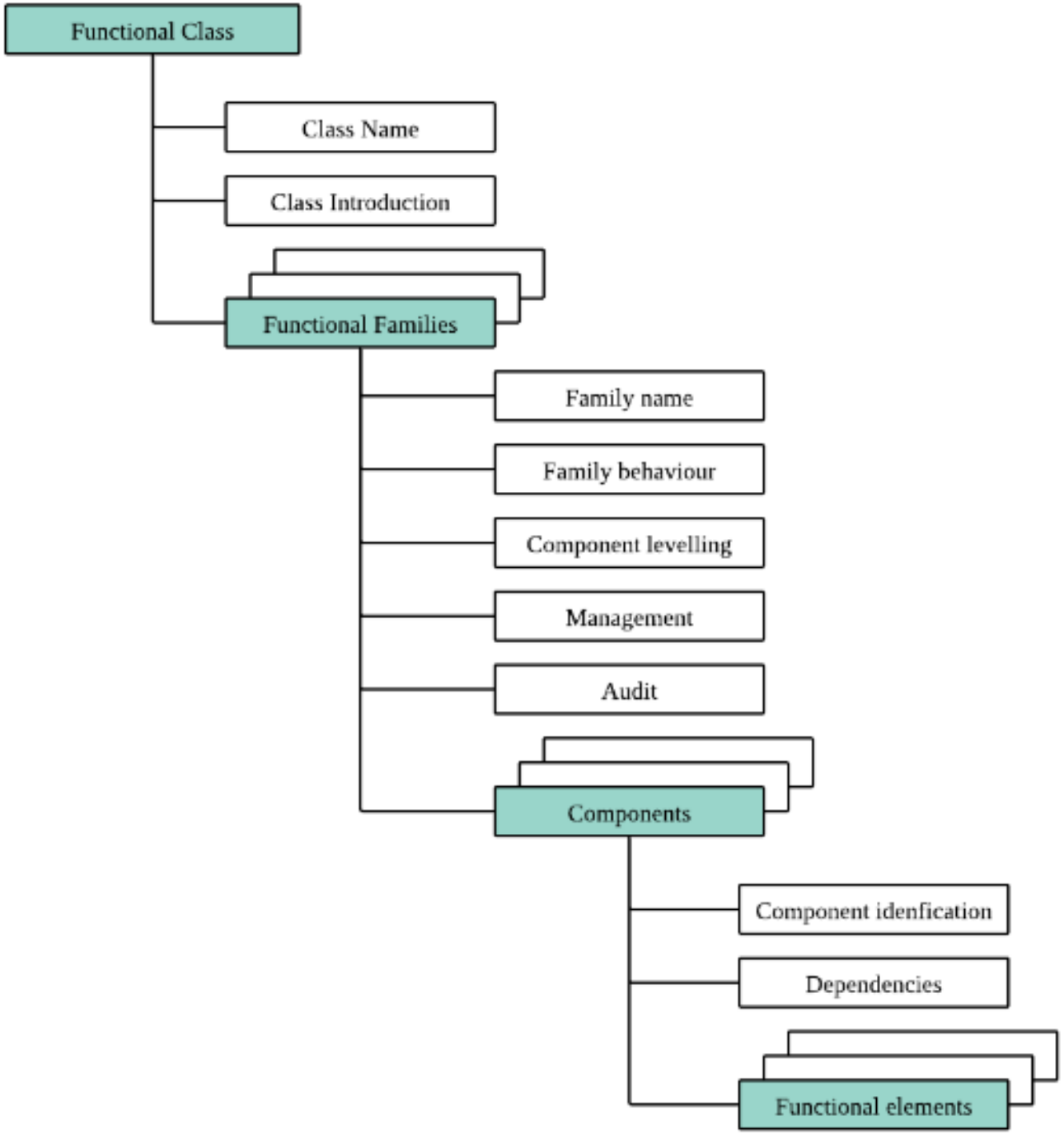

Common Criteria

ISO 15408

General Security Standard

IET Code of Practice – Cyber Security and Safety

Principle	Title
Principle 1:	Accountability for safety and security of an organization's operations is held at board level.
Principle 2:	The organization's governance of safety, security and their interaction is defined.
Principle 3:	Demonstrably effective management systems are in place.
Principle 4:	The level of independence in assurance is proportionate to the potential harm.
Principle 5:	The organization promotes an open/learning culture whilst maintaining appropriate confidentiality.
Principle 6:	Organizations are demonstrably competent to undertake activities that are critical to achieving security and safety objectives.
Principle 7:	The organization manages its supply chain to support the assurance of safety and security in accordance with its overarching safety/security strategy.
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Principle 11:	Safety and security assessments are used to inform each other and provide a coherent solution.
Principle 12:	The risks associated with the system-of-interest are identified by considerations including safety and security.
Principle 13:	System architectures are resilient to faults and attack.
Principle 14:	The risk justification demonstrates that the safety and security risks have been reduced to an acceptable level.
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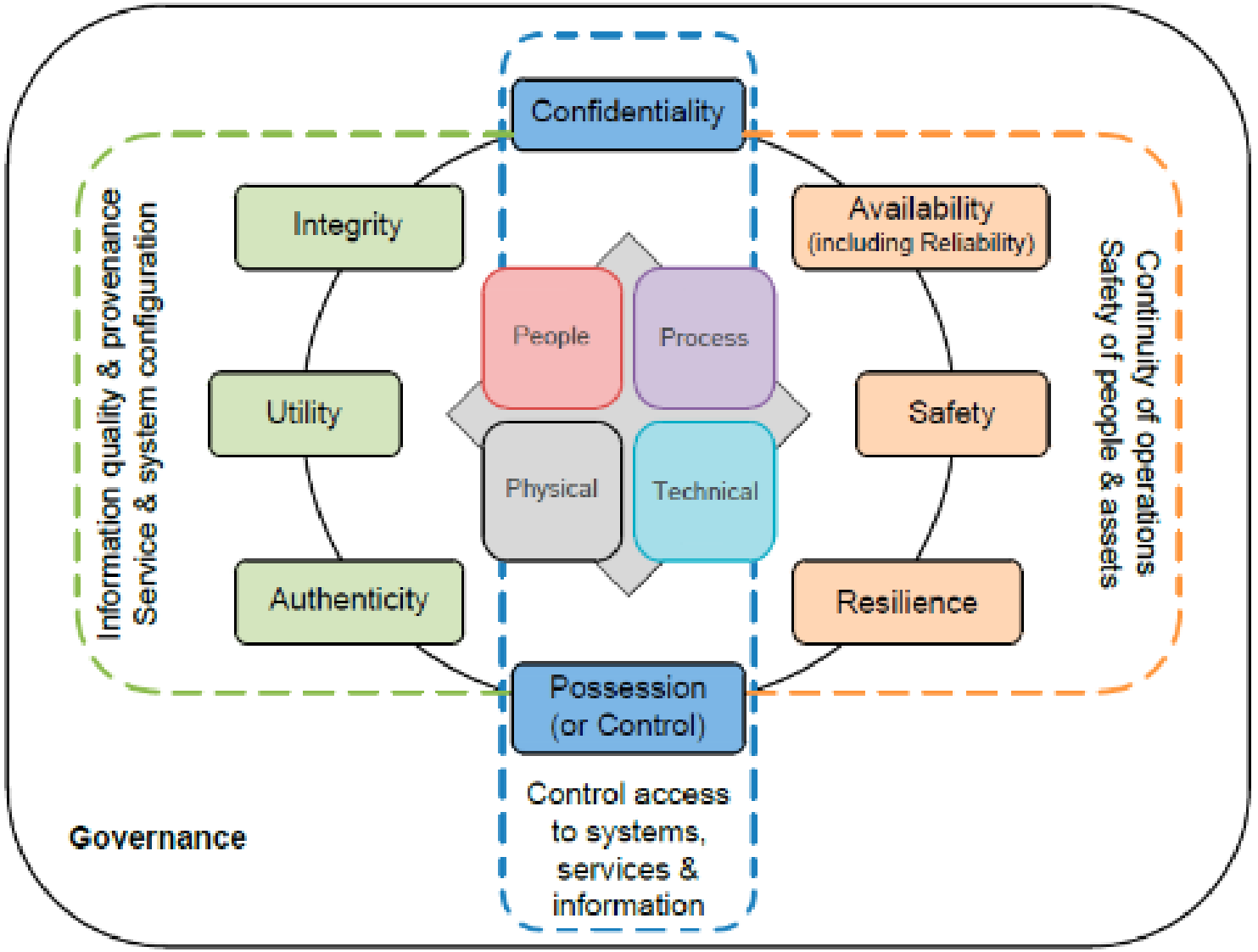
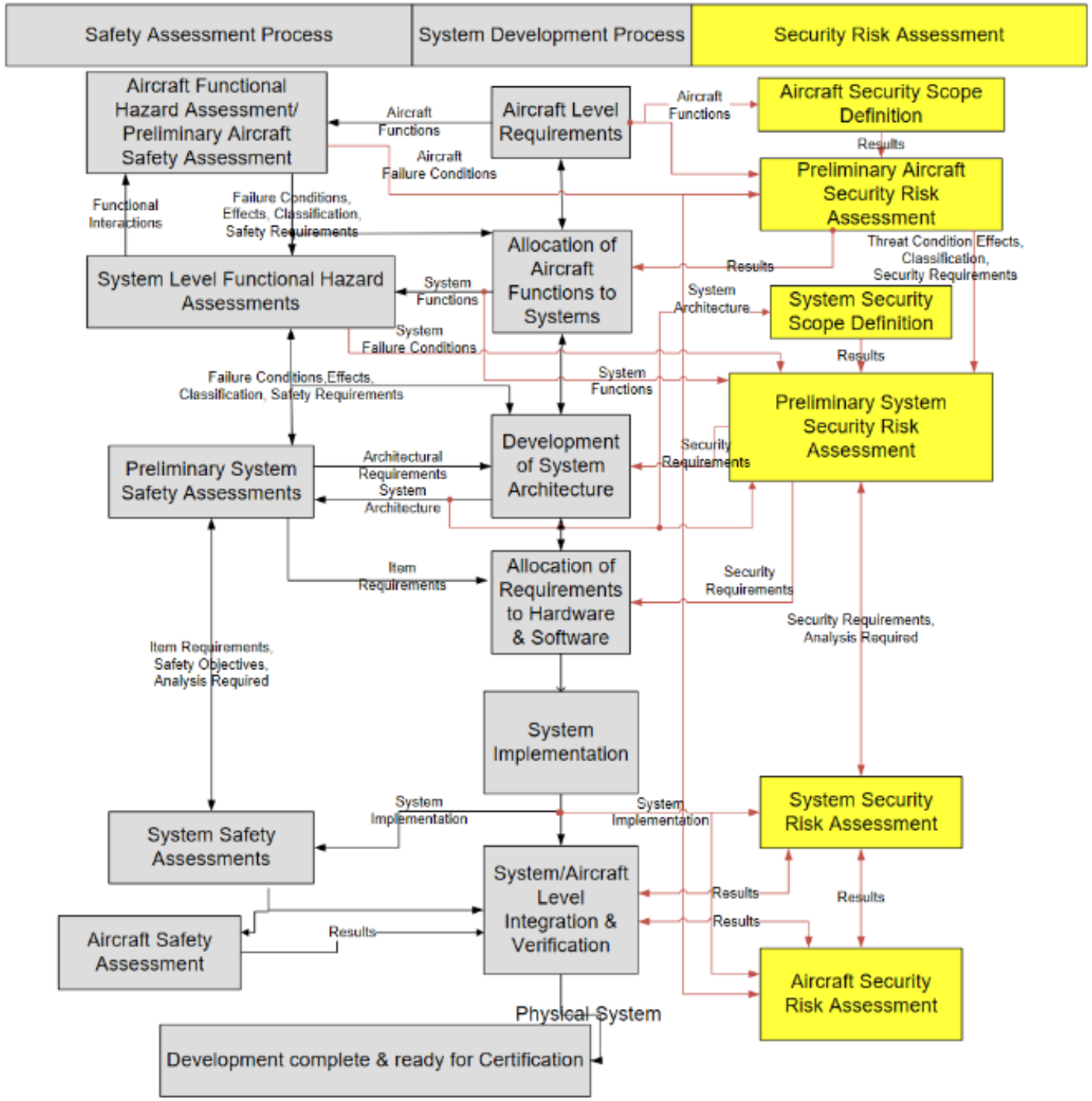
PAS 1885 – Automotive Cyber Principles





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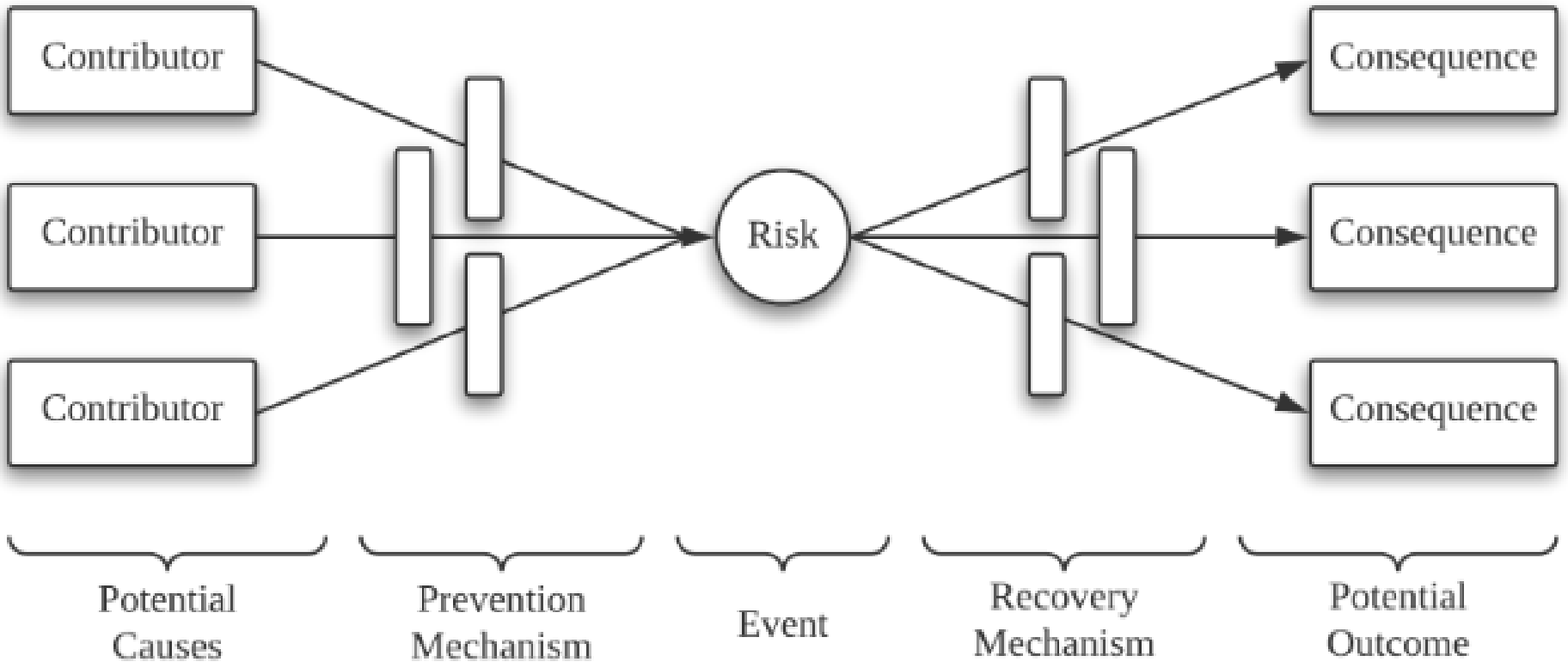

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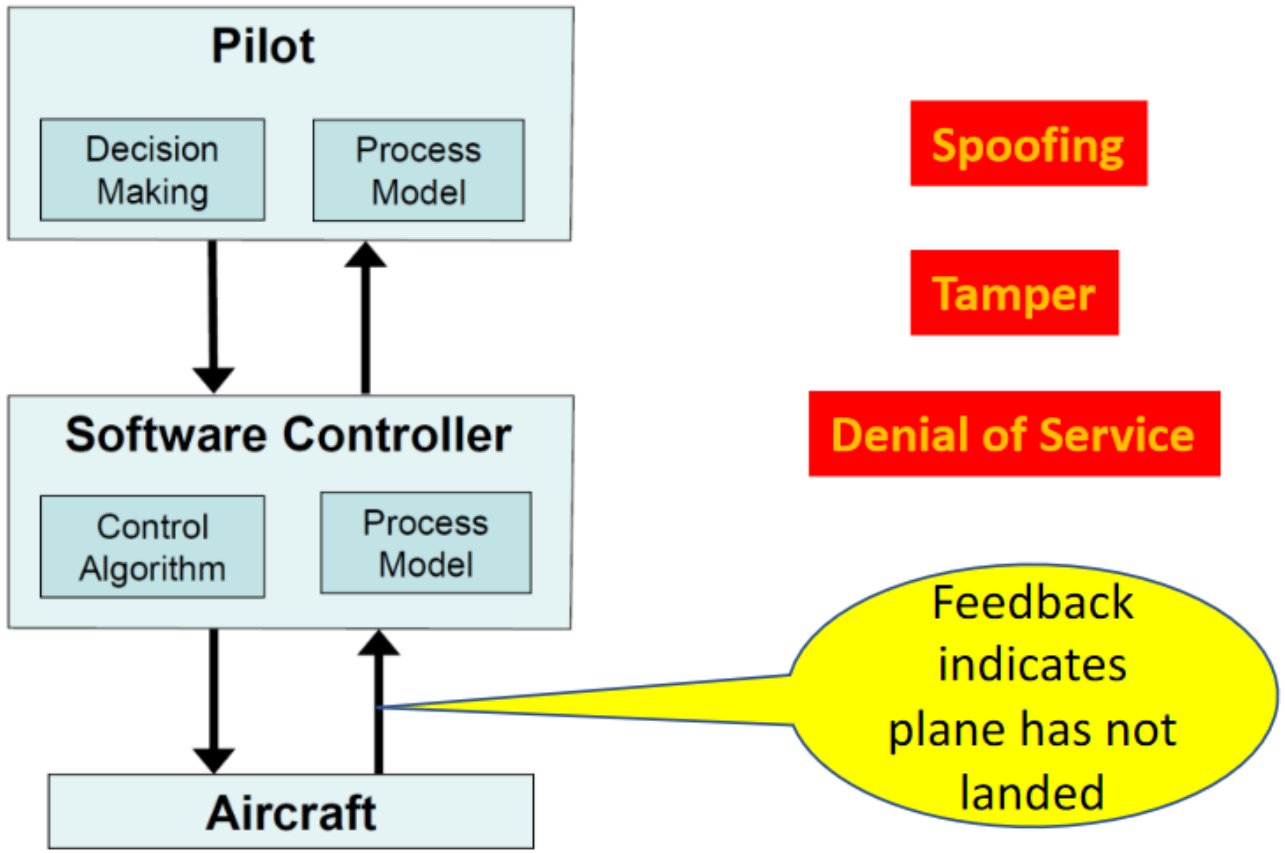
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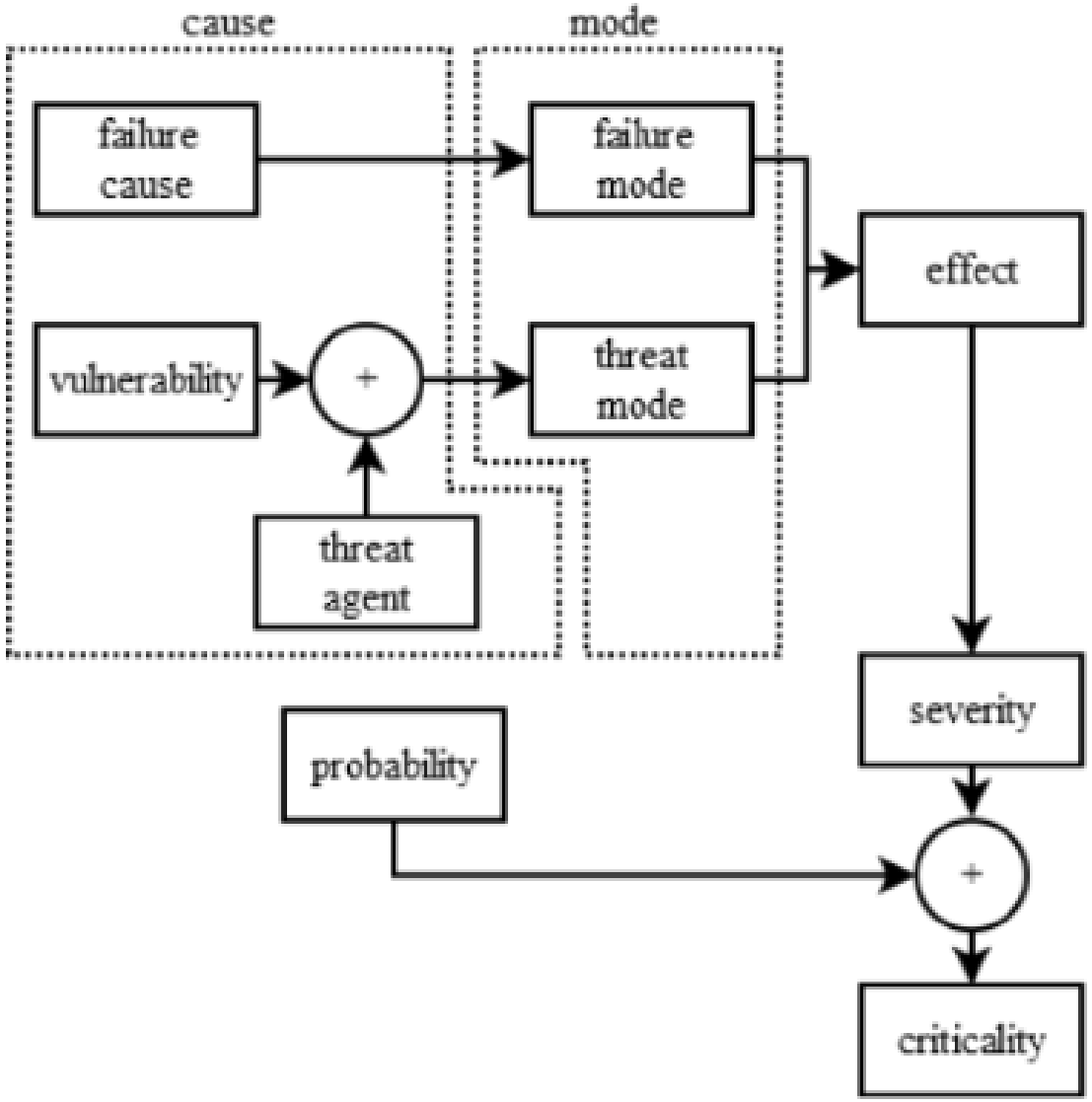
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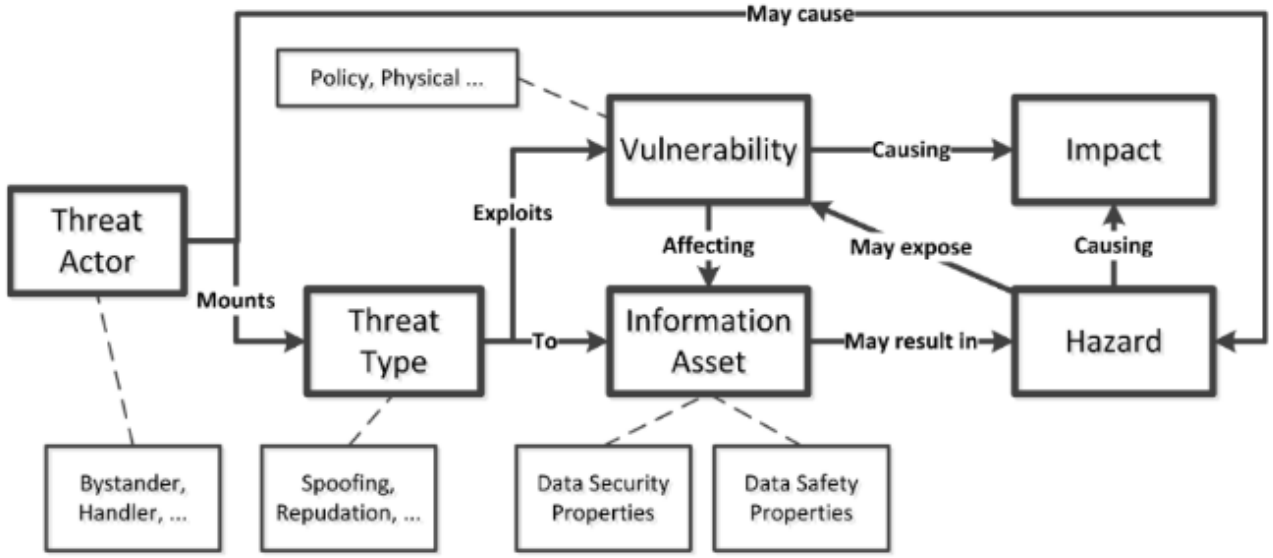

CRAF – Cyber Risk Assessment Framework (Guideword)

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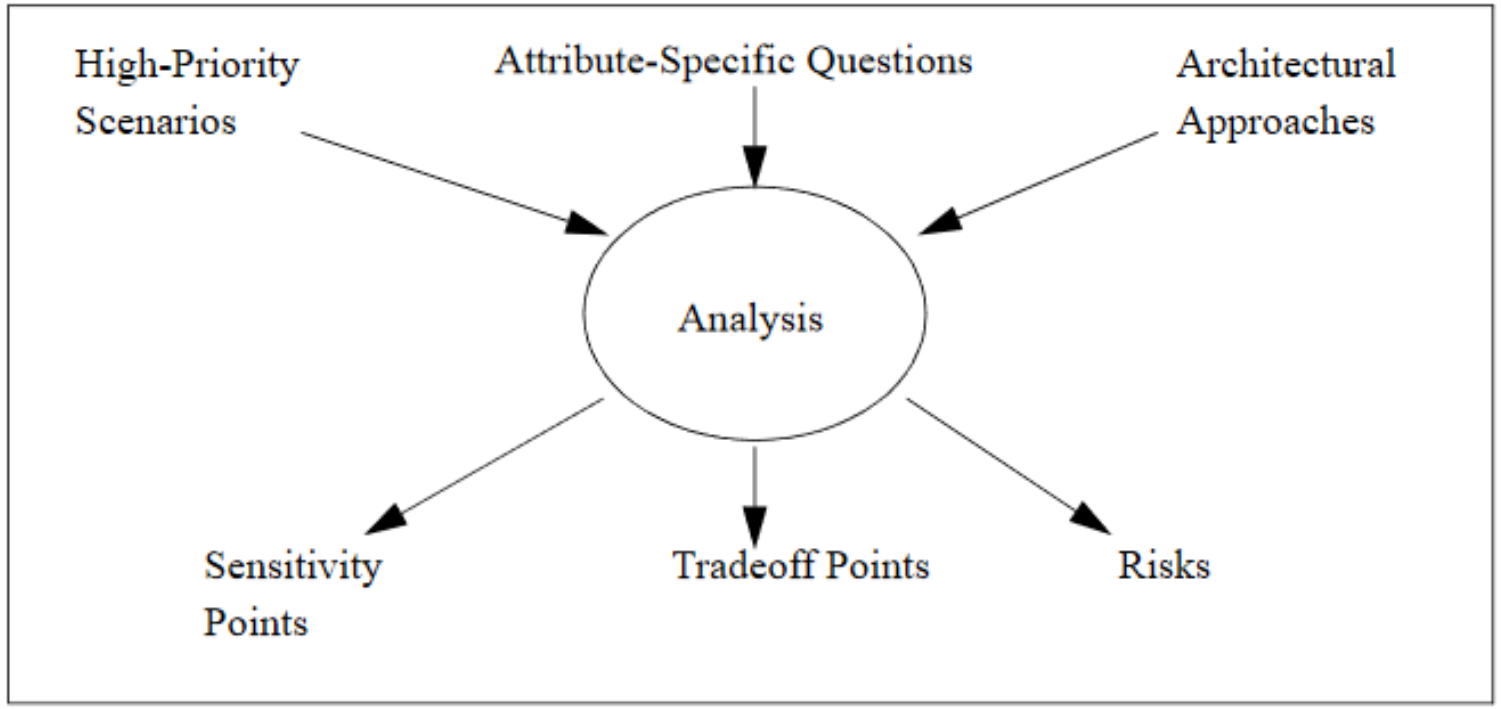
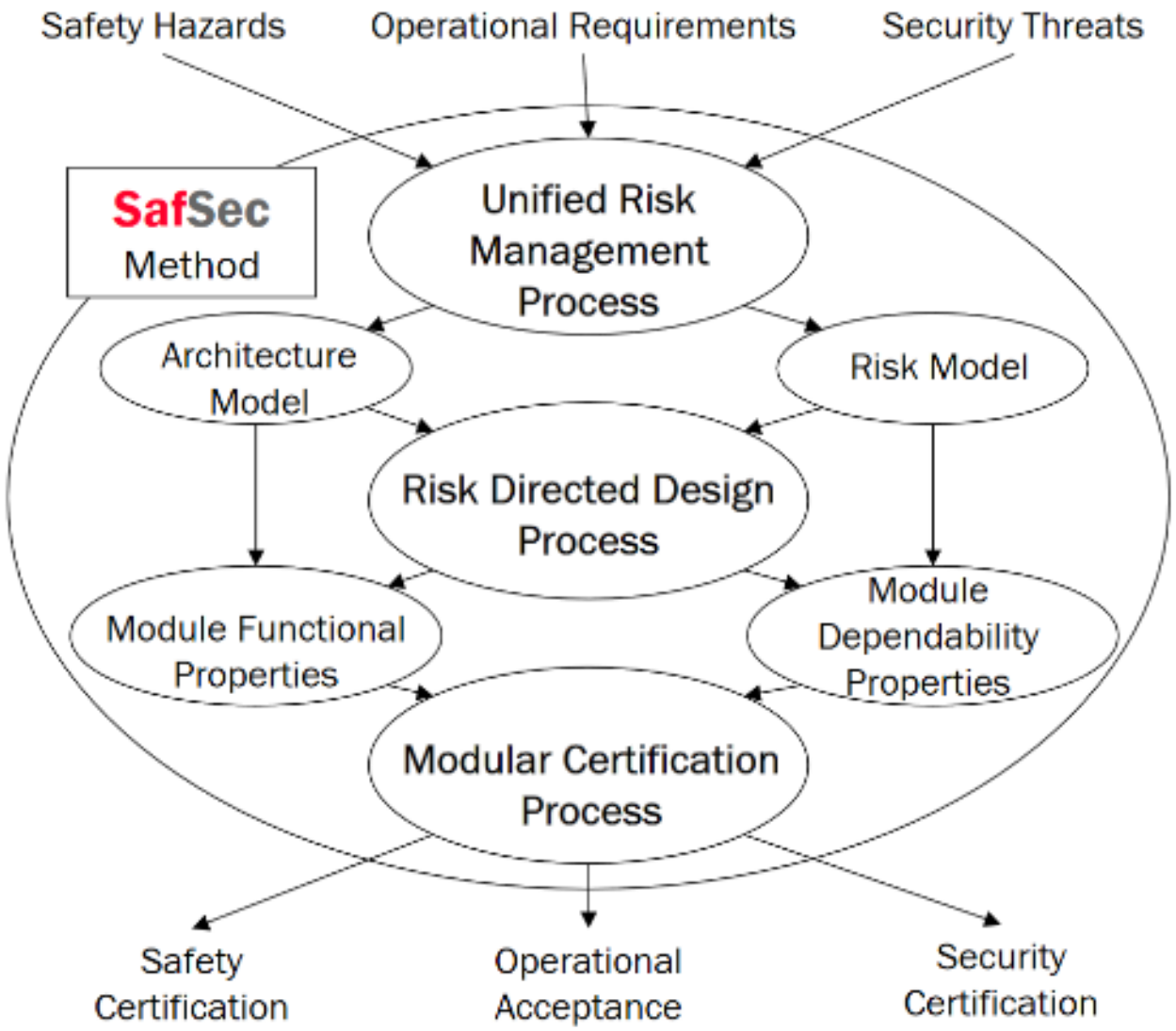


ATAM – Architecture Trade-off Analysis Method



SafSec Method & DDA

However! Uncertainties & Challenges Remain:

- Technical Uncertainties
  - Lack of unifying language leads to ambiguity in expression of models
  - Model complexity and interactions; timing and incomplete information
  - Intent of the attacker currently not well considered for systems and safety
  - How to incorporate different risk? Comparing apples and oranges
  - Model divergence and change over time
  - Completeness of the methodology

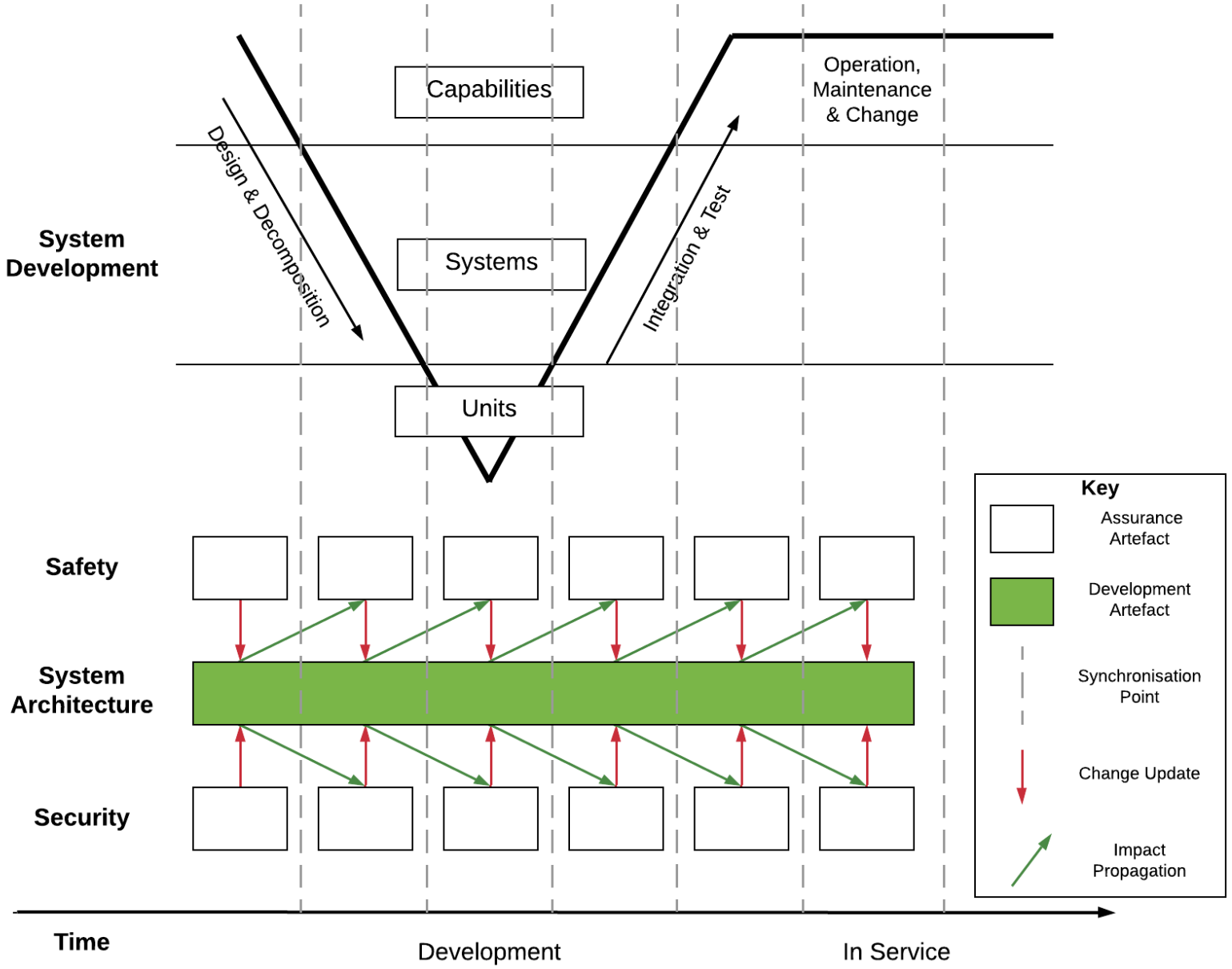
- Socio-Technical Uncertainties
  - Lack of unifying underly philosophy leads to misunderstandings and miscommunication
    - *e.g.* openness vs. security-through-obscurity
  - No standard practices means that integration varies between project or people
  - Differences in proportionality and resources
    - *e.g.* Industry shortage of Suitably Qualified and Experience People (SQEP) for security

3. Candidate Solution

THE SAFETY-SECURITY ASSURANCE FRAMEWORK

The Safety-Security Assurance Framework SSAF

- Independent Co-Assurance
- Synchronisation Points
- Information Needs
- Trade-off



4. Causal Model & Patterns

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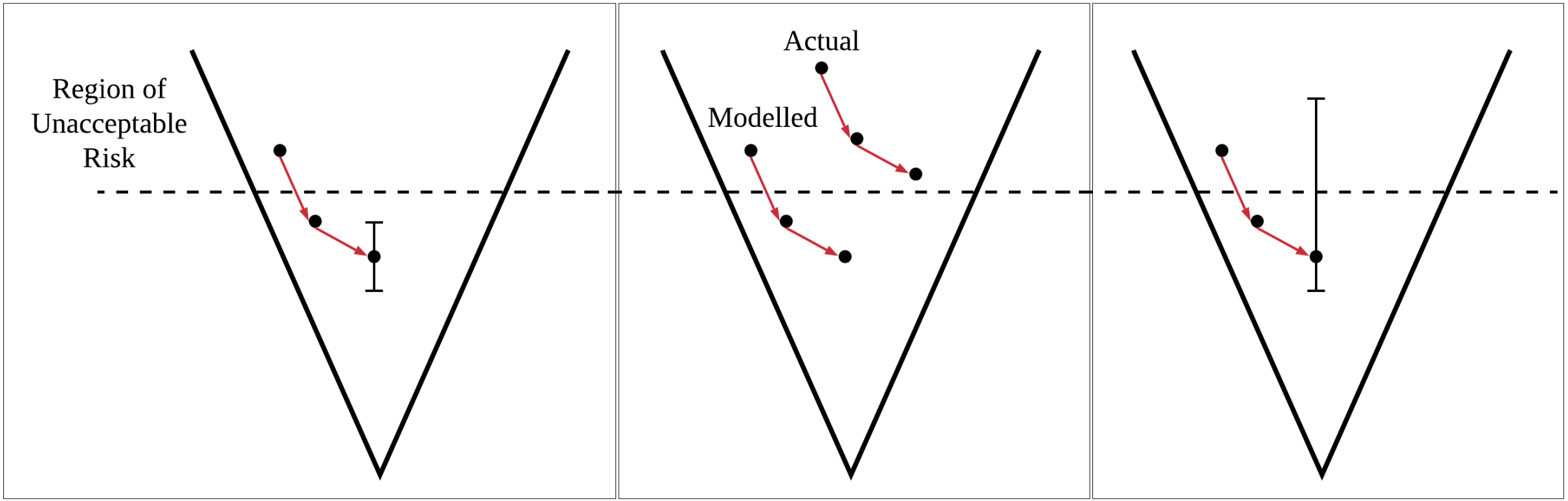

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How to Represent Risk Reduction?

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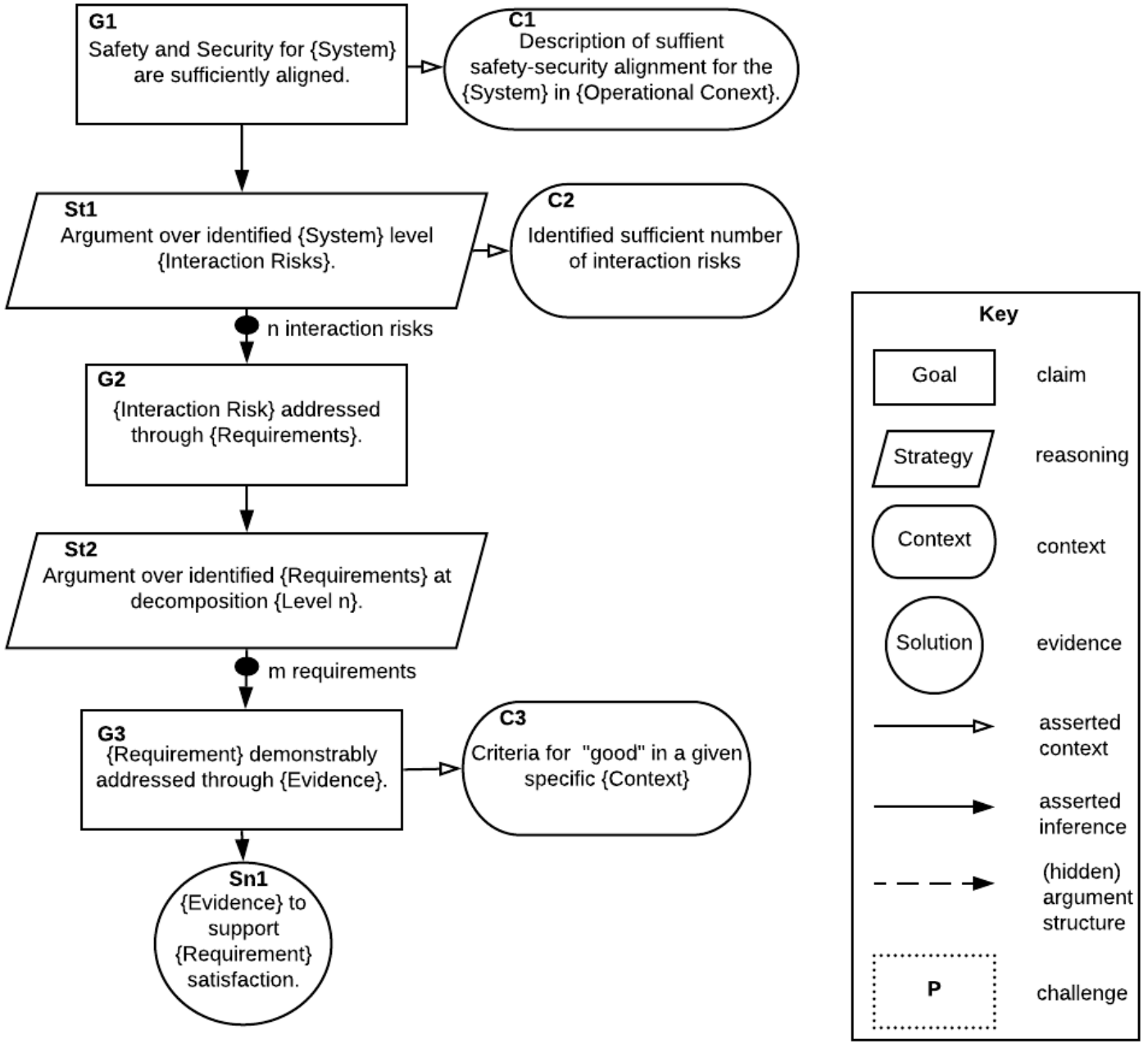

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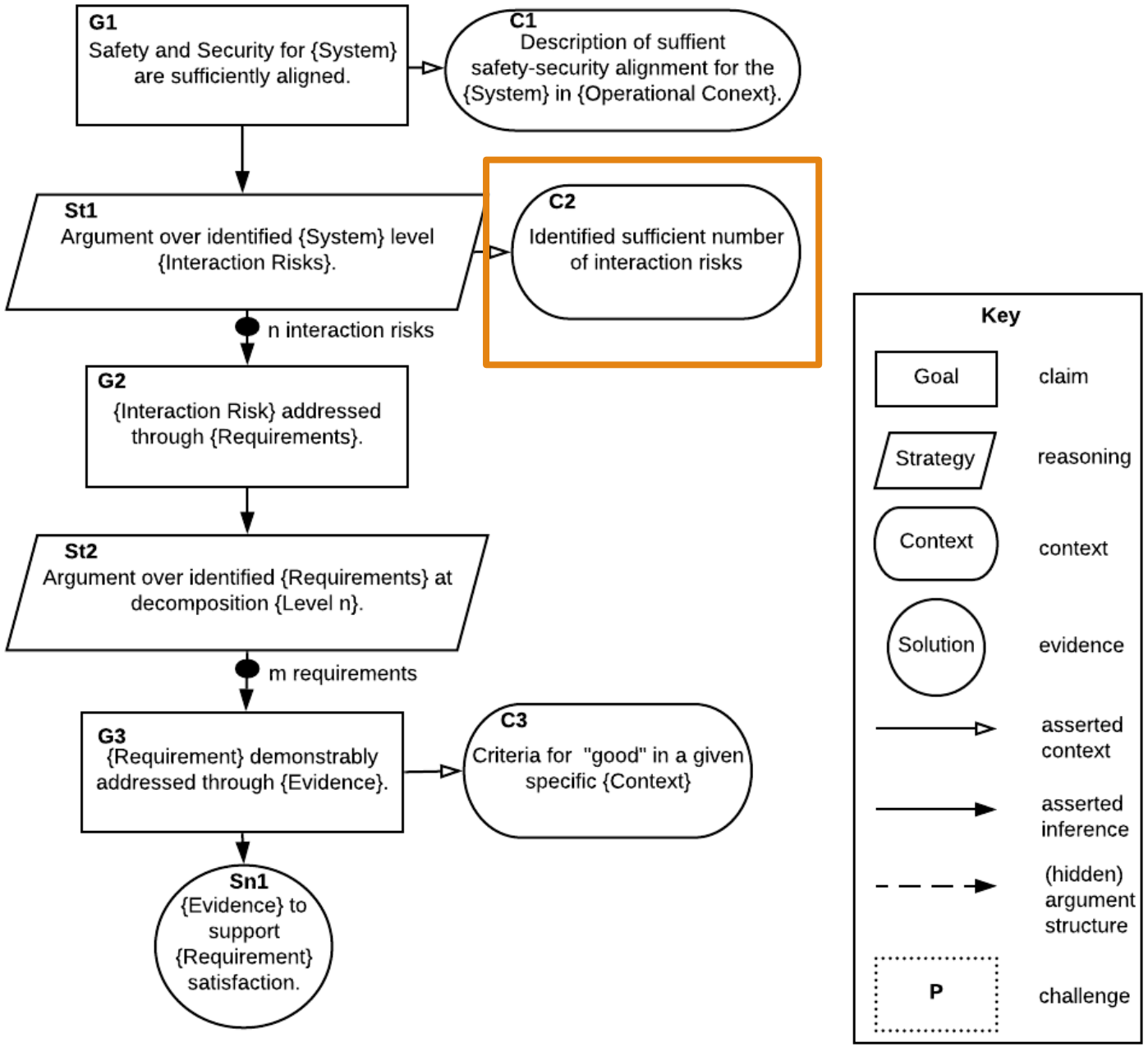

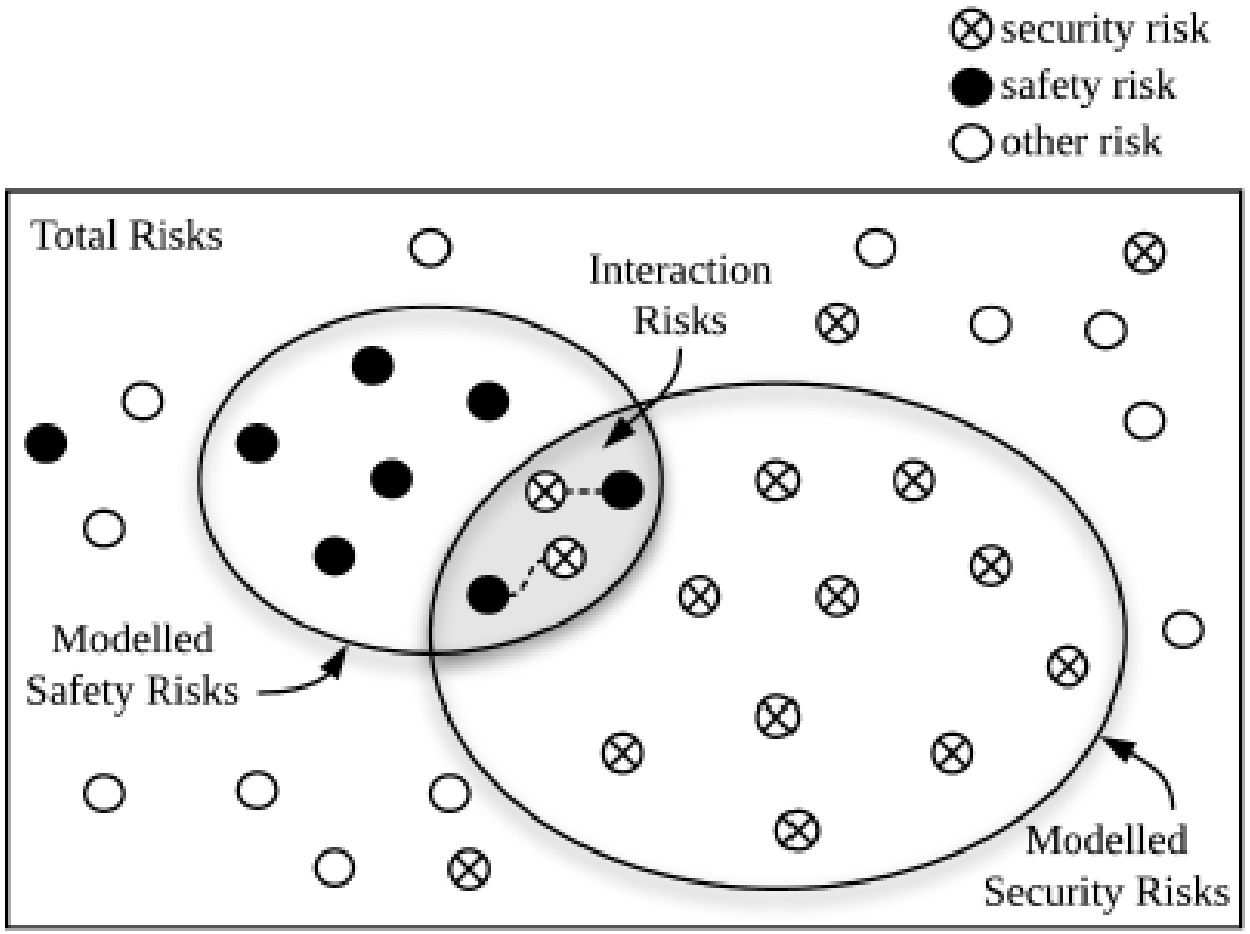

Interaction Risks

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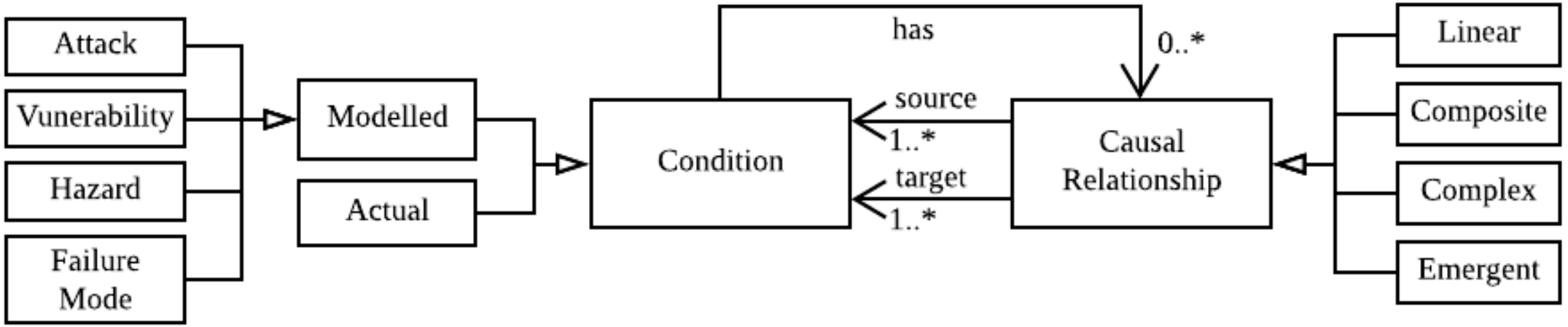

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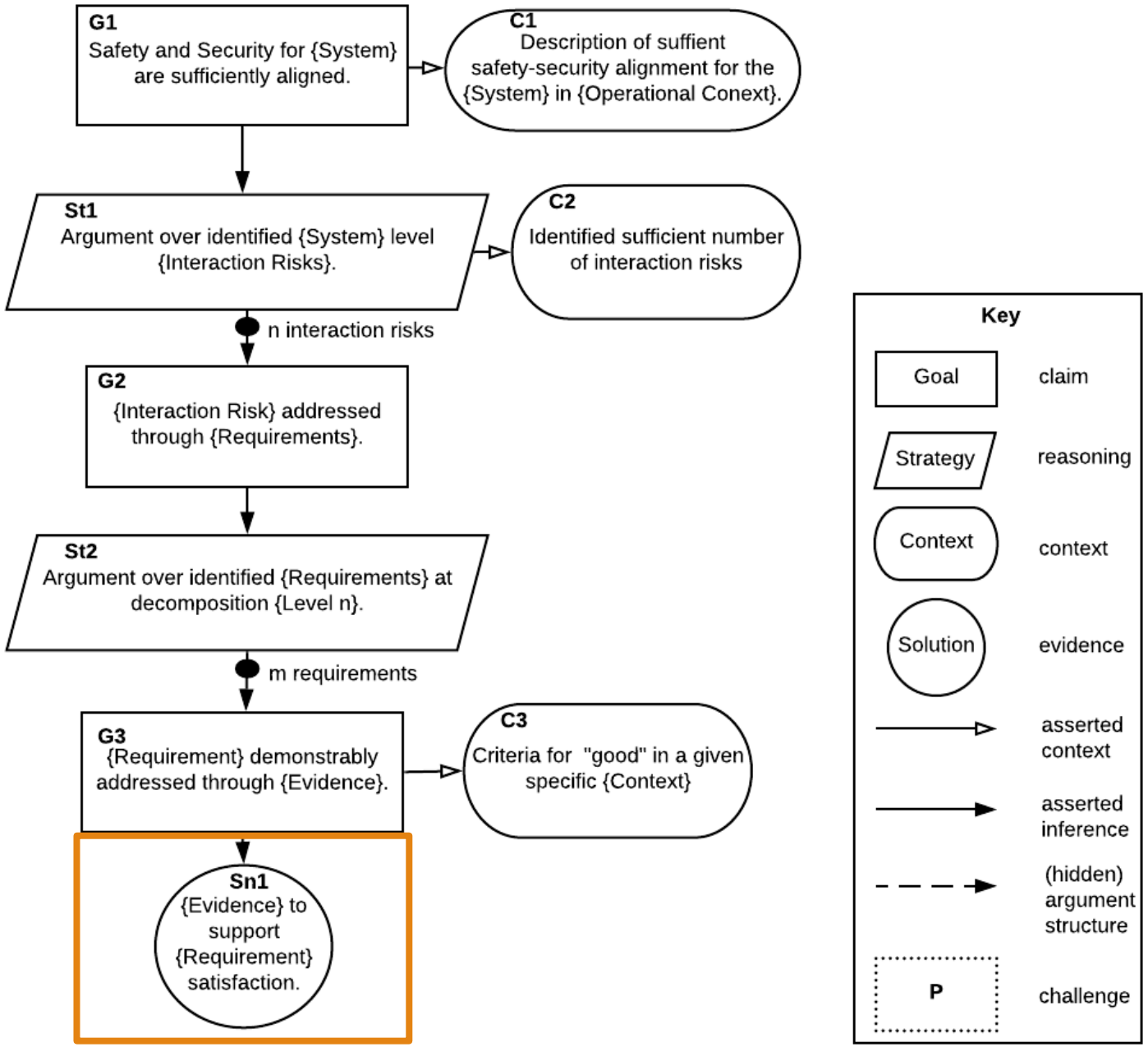

Examples: Links for safety-security

CR.ID	Condition		Causal Relationship	
	Source	**Target**	**Label**	**Method**
	Safety Requirements	Security Requirements	trade-off	ATAM
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	Threat Condition	Safety Requirements	influence	STPA-Sec
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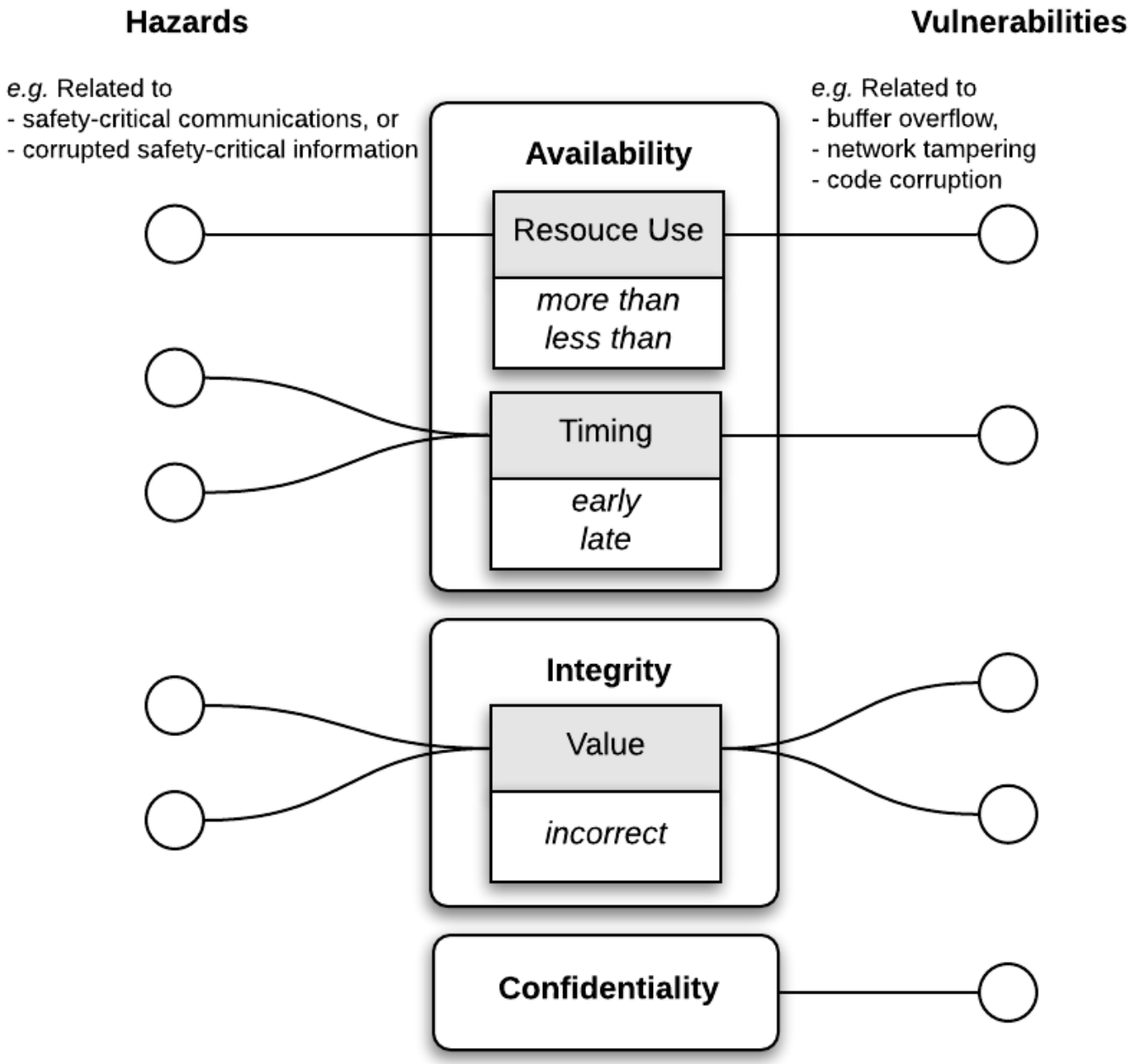
	Vulnerabilities	Failure	cause	FFA
	Vulnerabilities	Hazards	contribute to	SAHARA, DDA, UML, FTA
	Safety Consequence	Attack	motivates	ADT
	Threat Condition	Hazard	safety impact	Standard
	Security Controls	Safety Requirements	conflict with	ad-hoc

Interactions using sub-attributes



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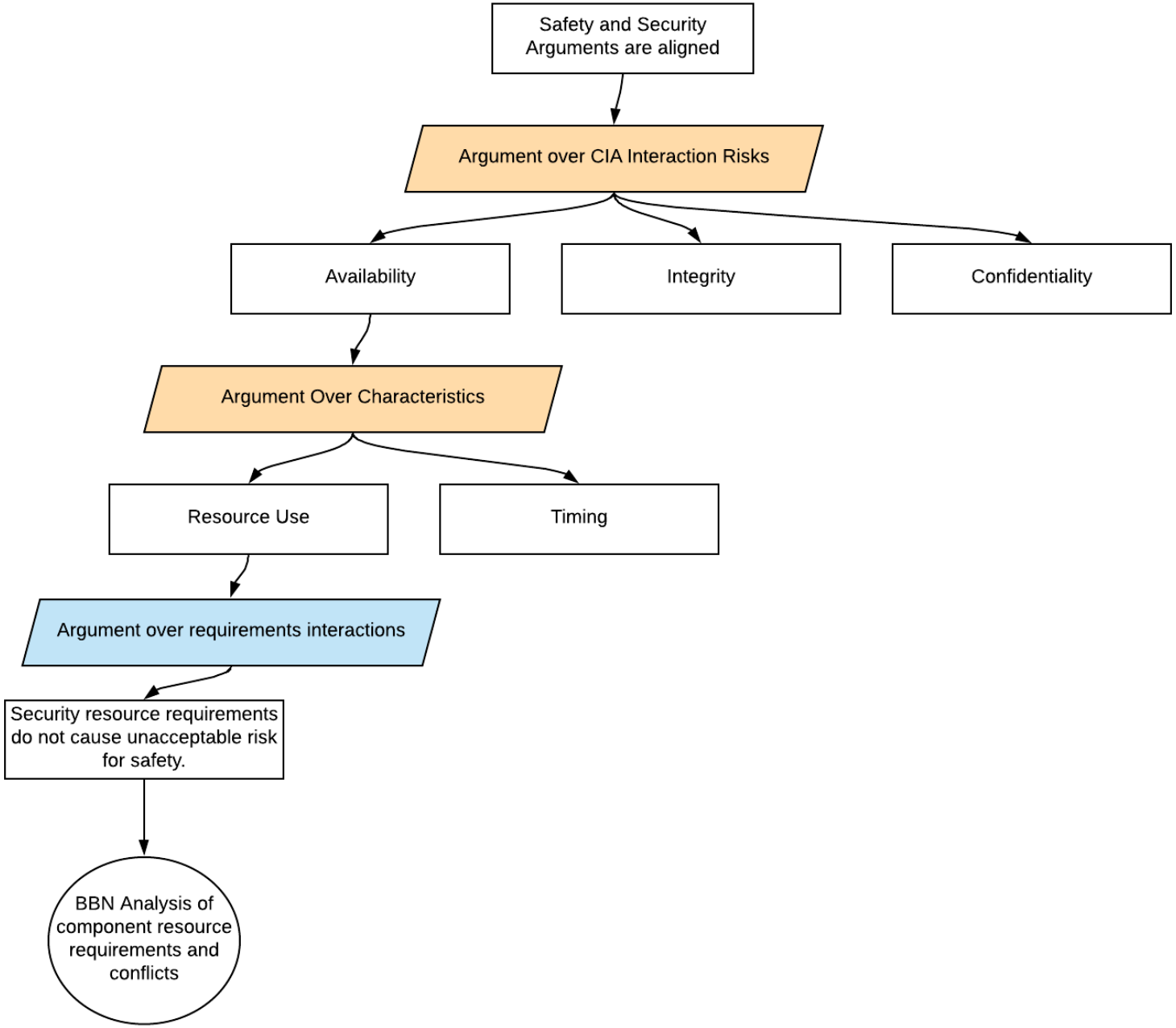

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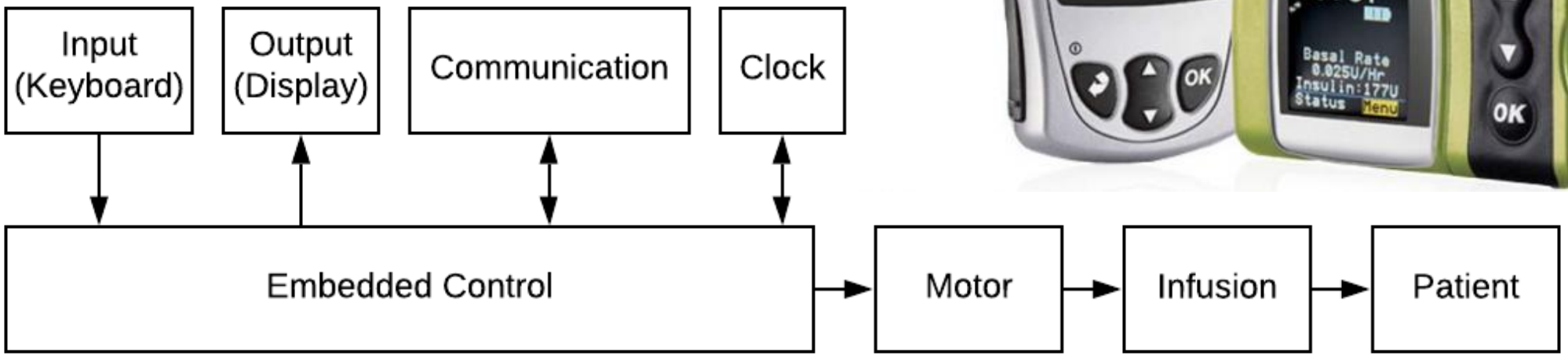
Insulin Pump Case Study



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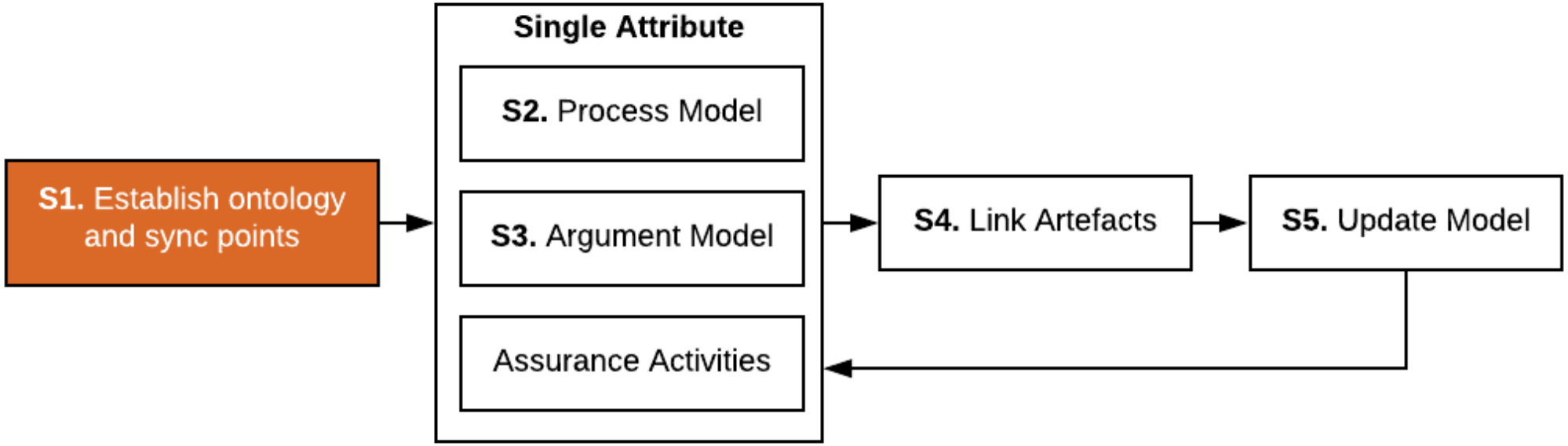

SSAF Technical Risk Process Step 1

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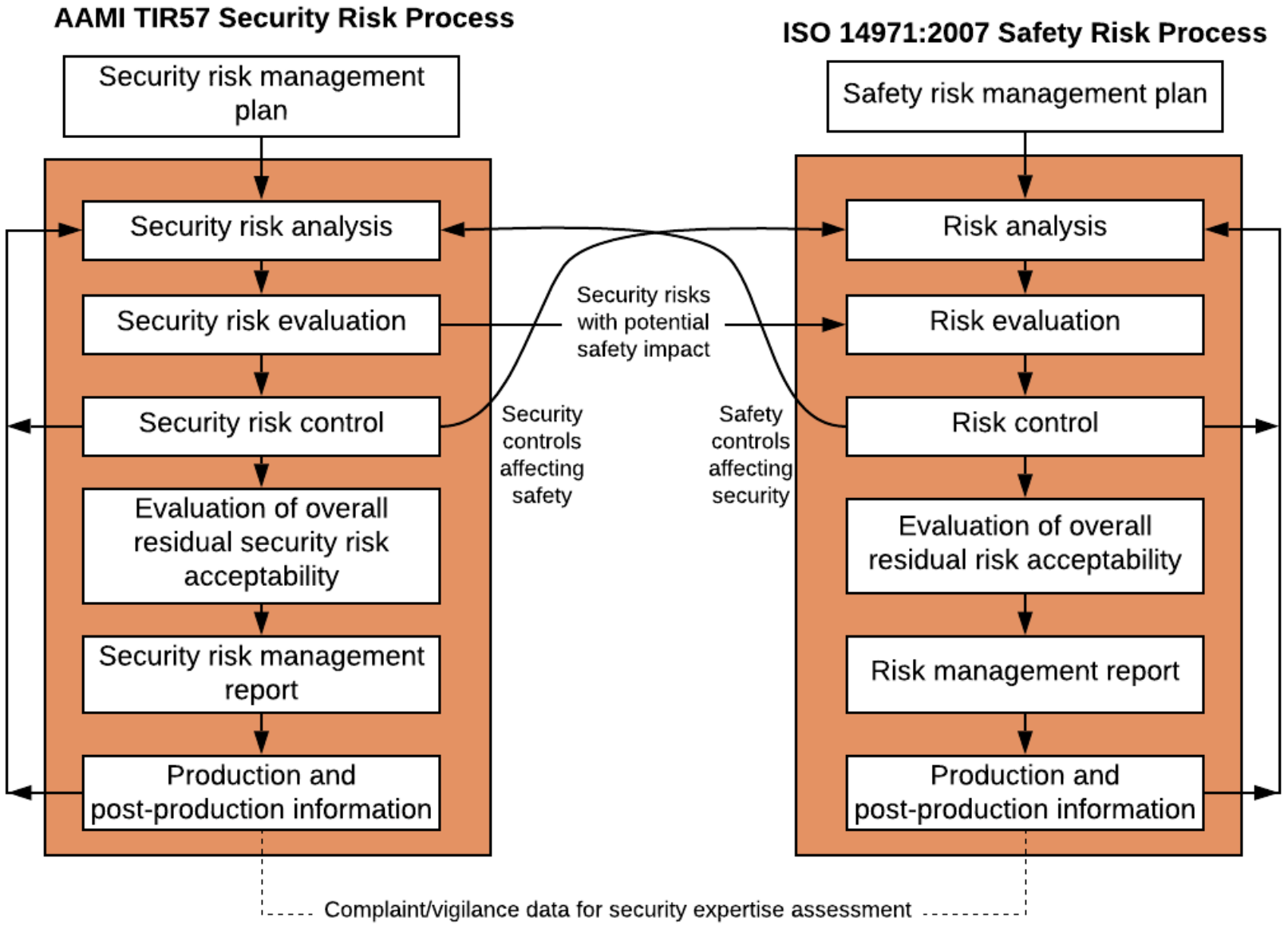

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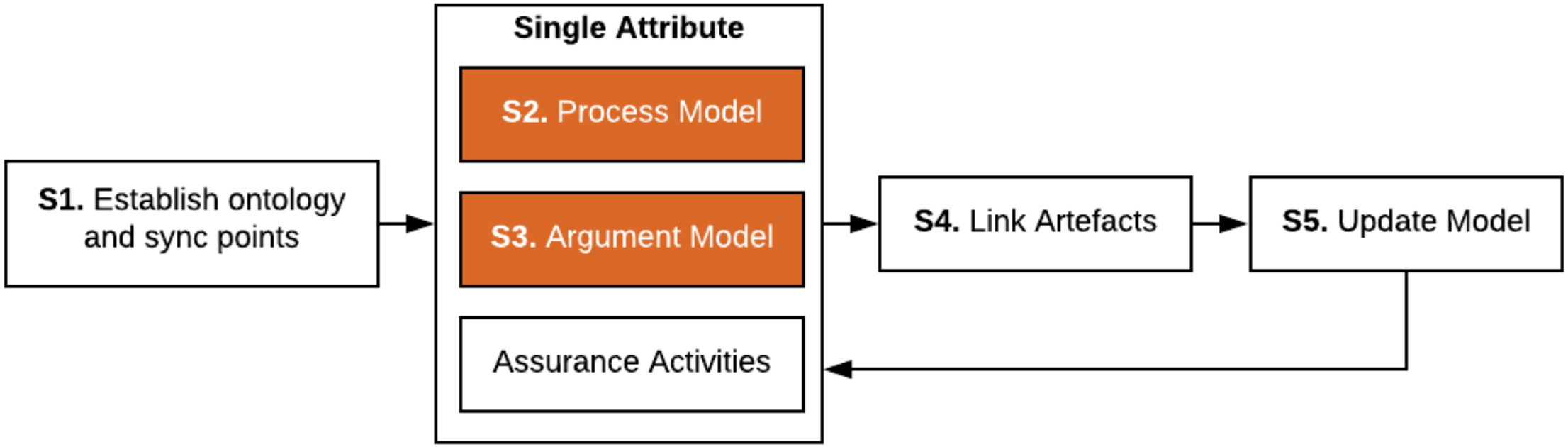

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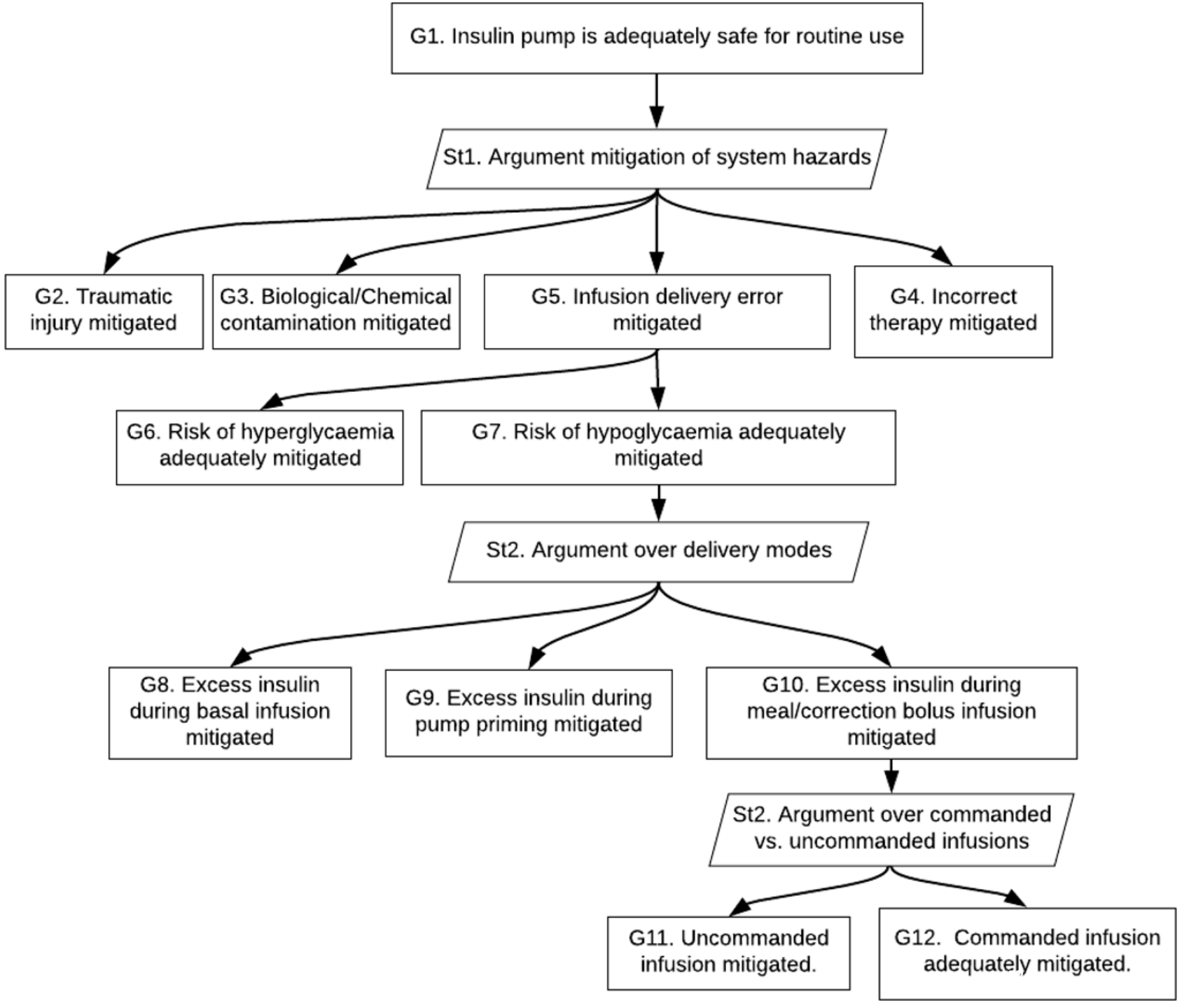

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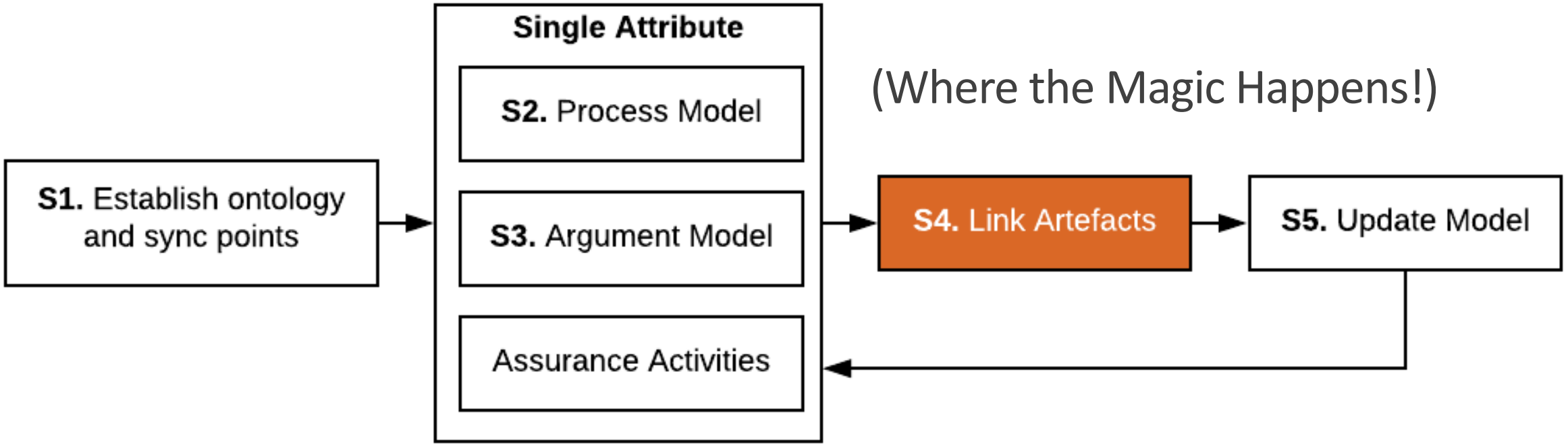

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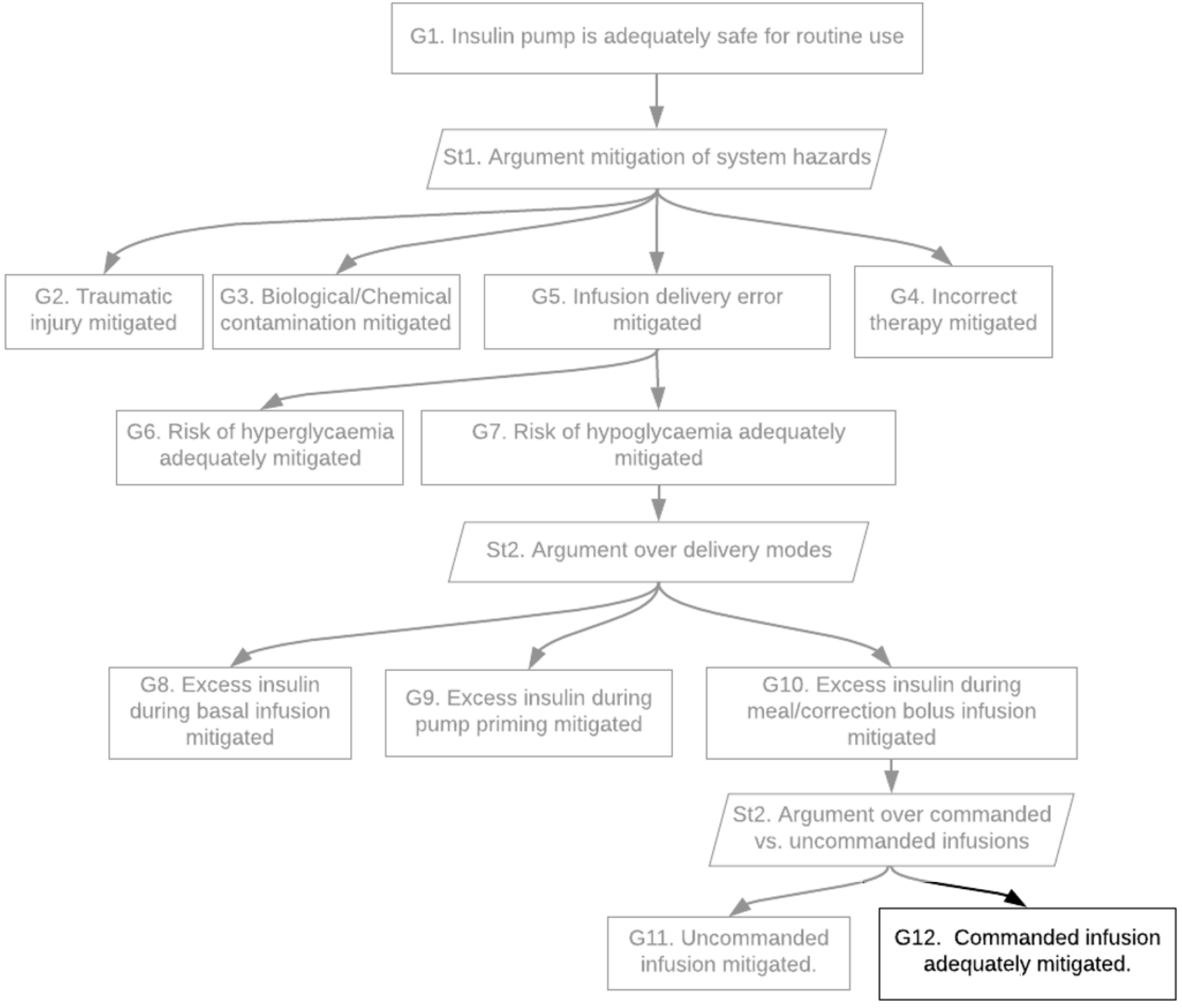

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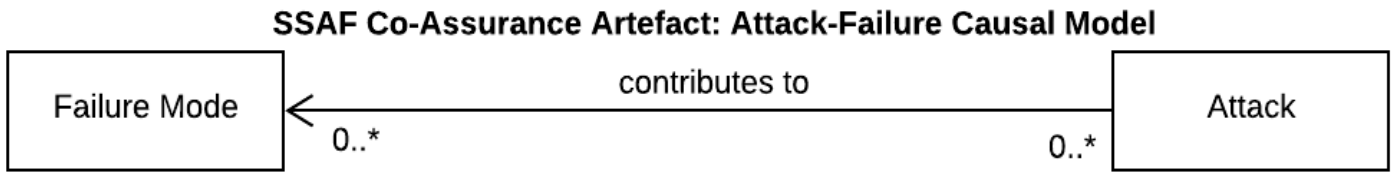

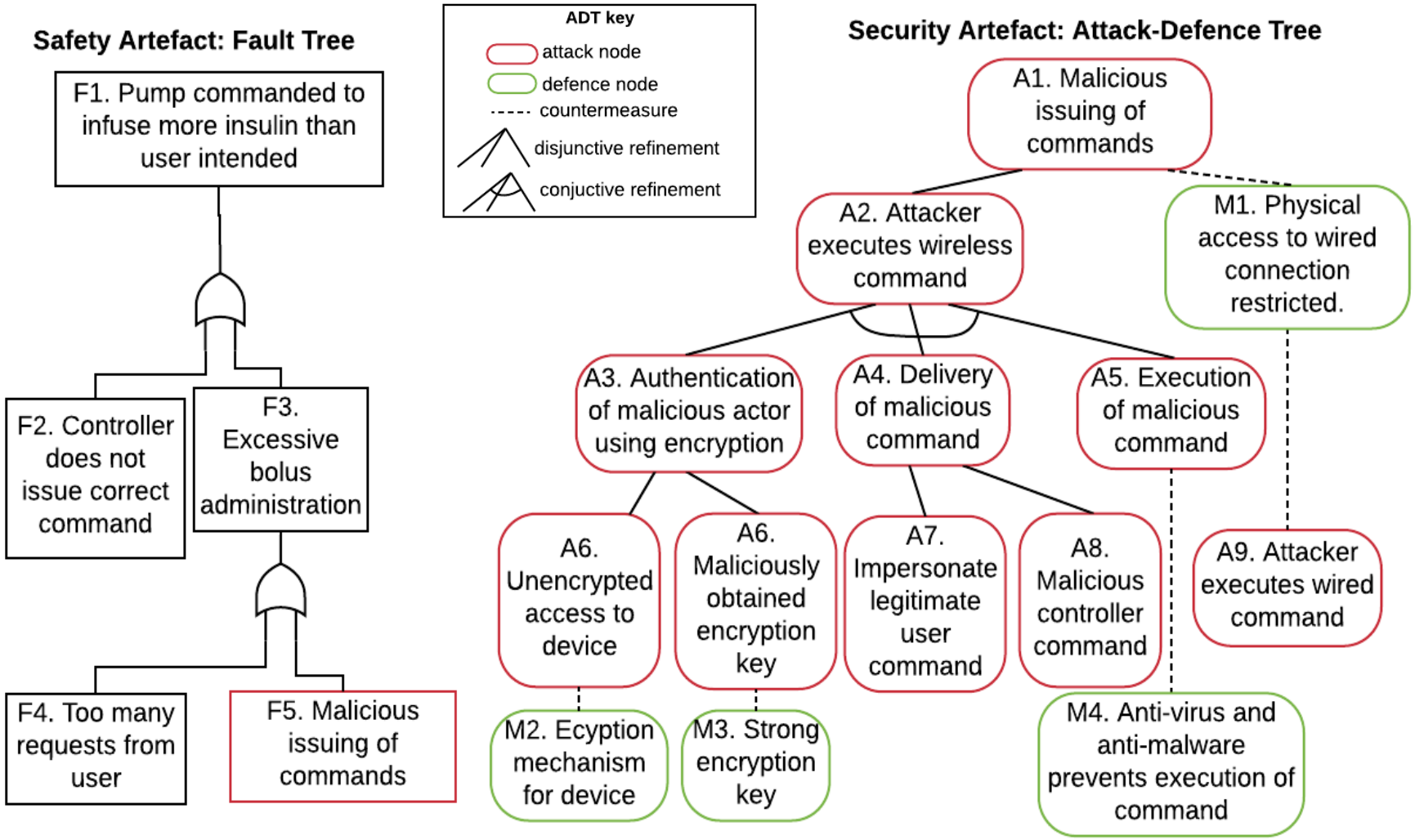

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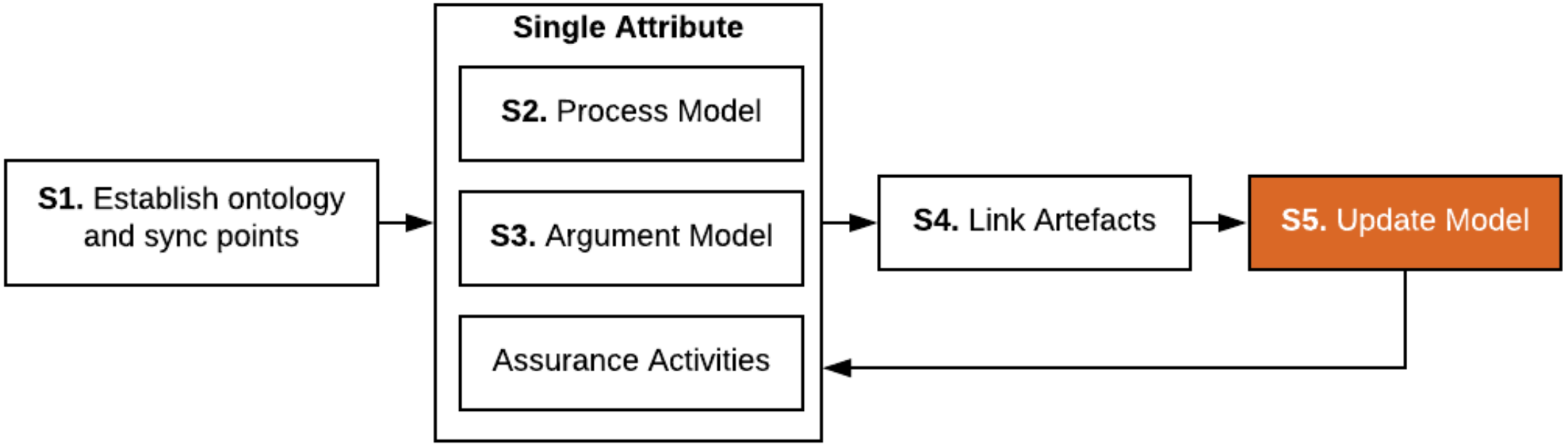
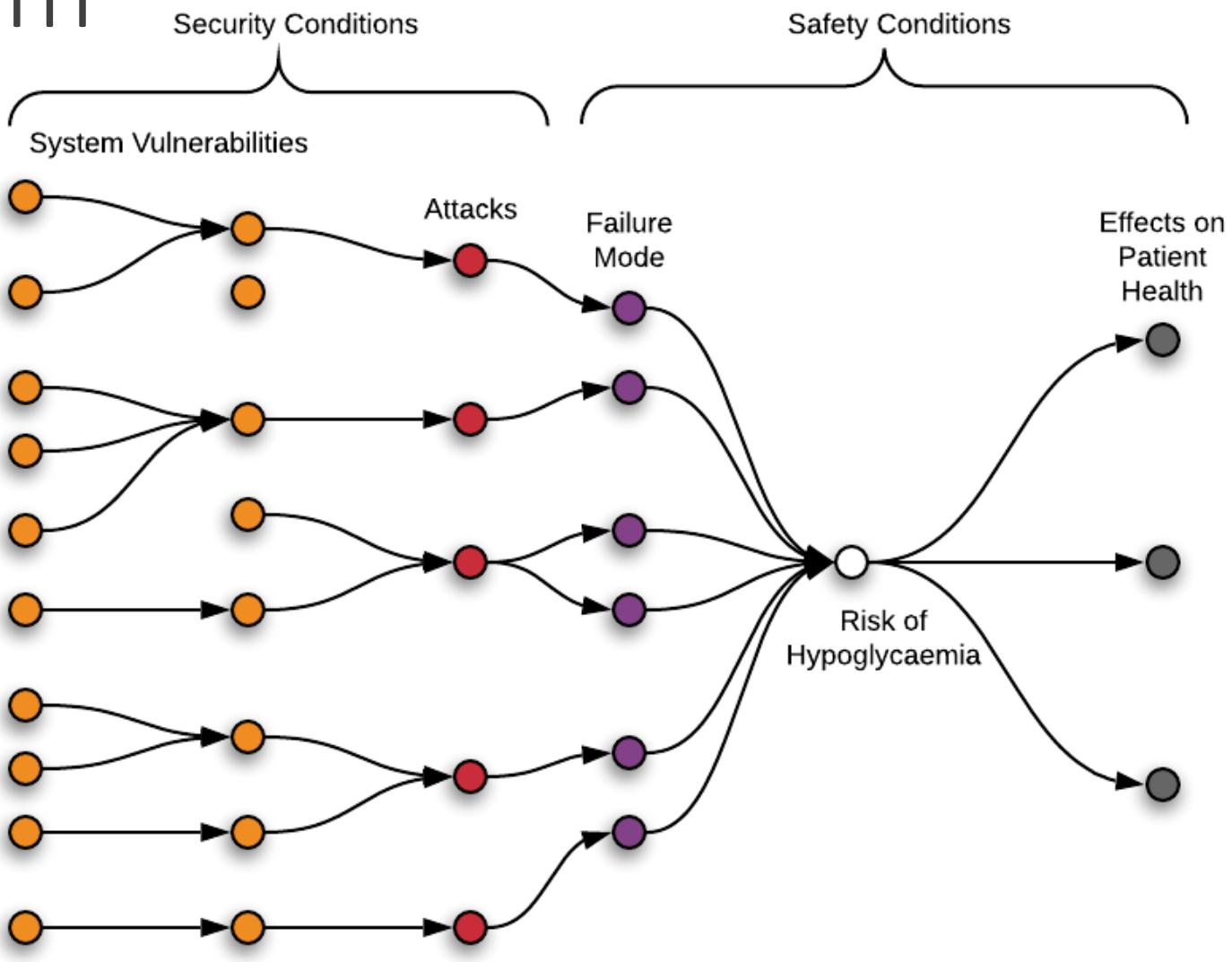


Co-Assurance Claim

Claim: All identified **attack vectors** that lead to **hypoglycaemia** (caused by excess insulin) have been mitigated.

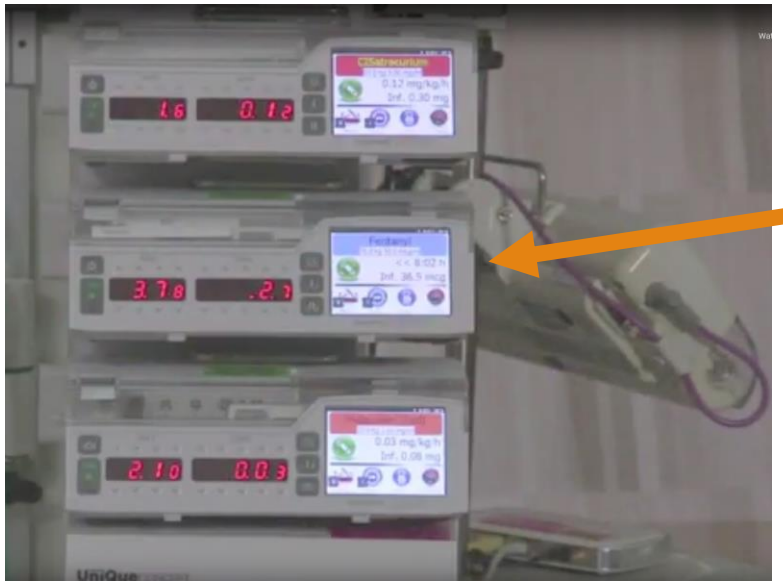


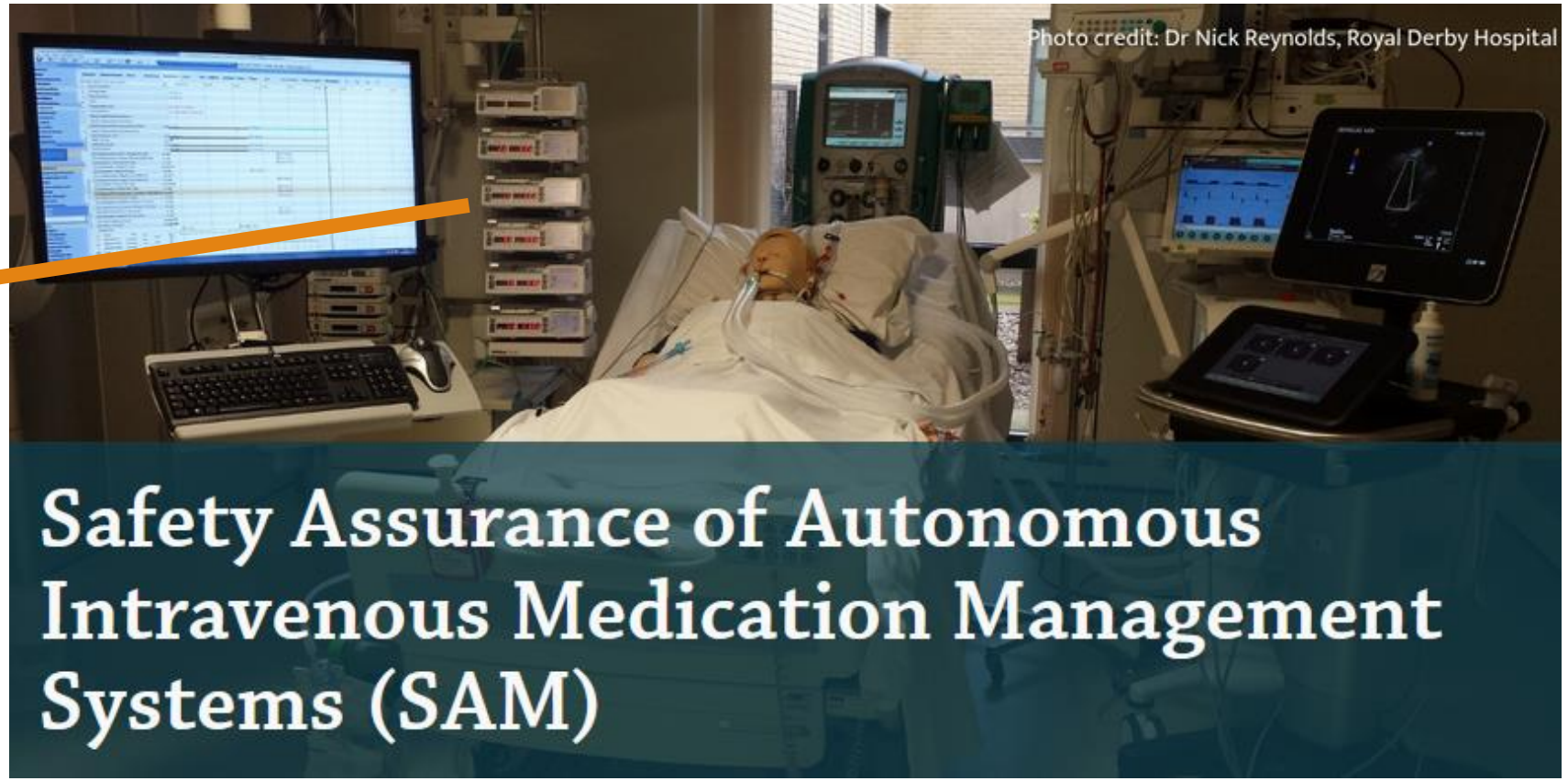
Insulin Pump New Vulnerabilities

New Vulnerabilities

- R7-2016-07.1: Communications transmitted in **cleartext** (CVE-2016-5084)
- R7-2016-07.2: **Weak pairing** between remote and pump (CVE-2016-5085)
- R7-2016-07.3: **Lack of replay attack prevention** or transmission assurance (CVE-2016-5086)

Autonomous Infusion Pump: AAIP SAM Demonstrator Project





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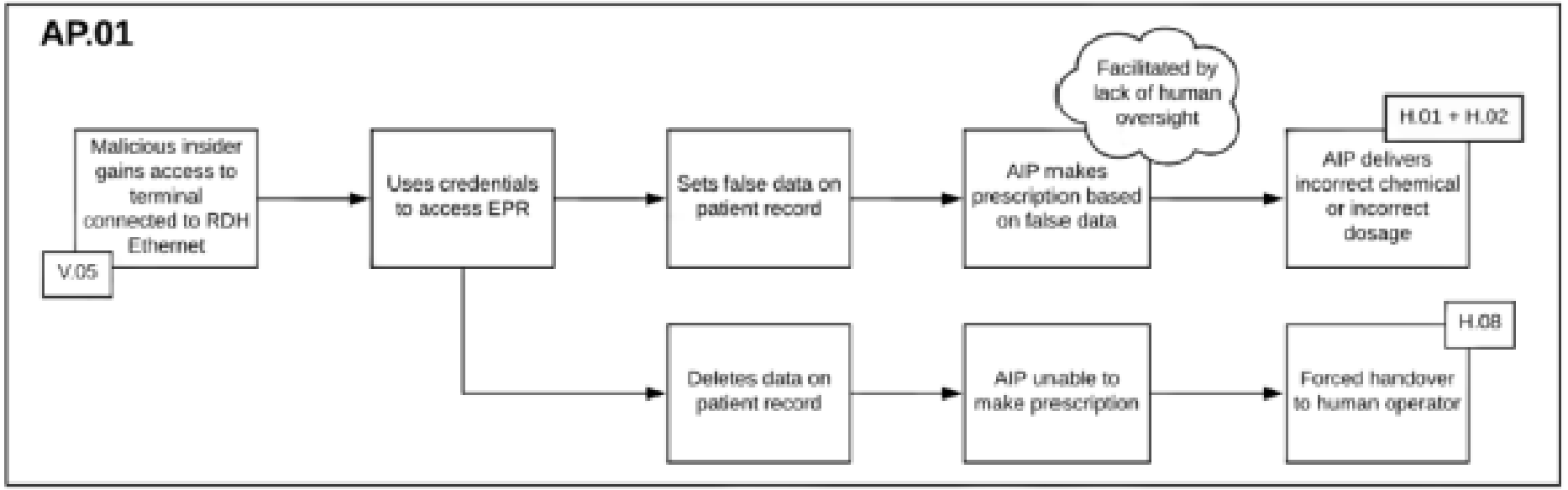

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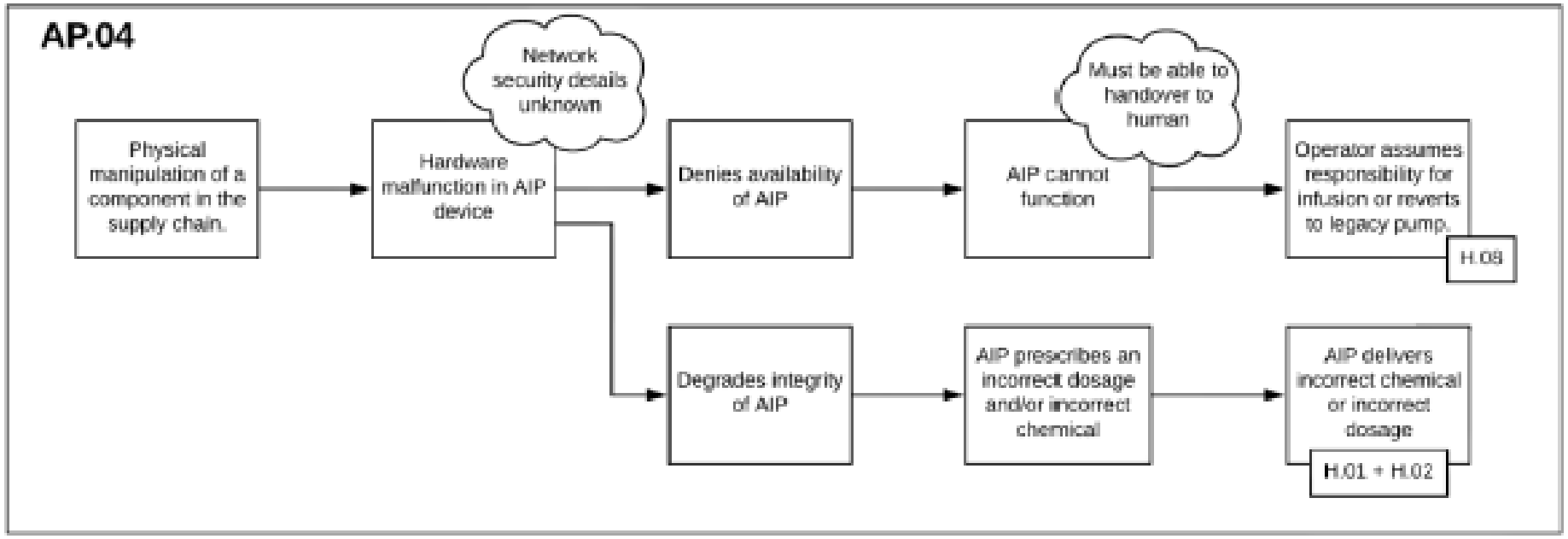

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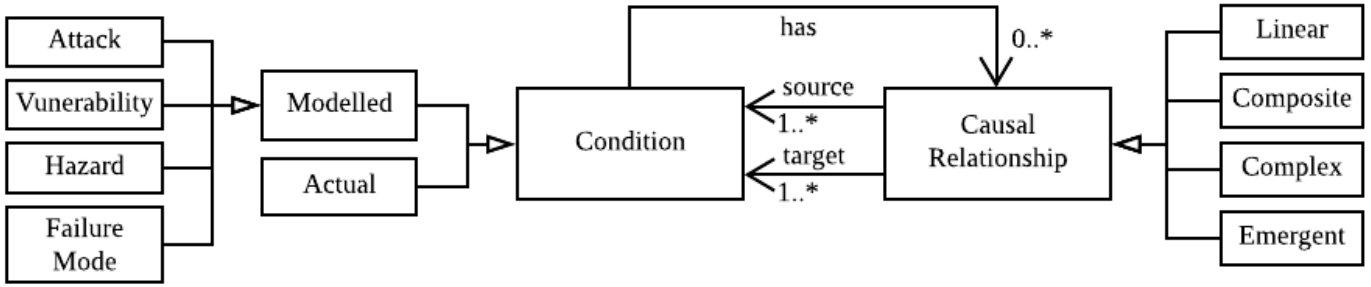
Autonomous Infusion Pump Co-Assurance

- New security risks to impact safety
  - Poisoning attacks, new types of spoofing specific to ML, oracle queries
- Greater uncertainty
  - Trained network deterministic, however unknown connections
- Greater demands on human operator competence
  - Handover
  - Explainability/understandability

Last two points beyond the scope of Technical Risk Argument

6. SSAF Socio-Technical Model (STM)



SSAF Causal Model (Tier 1)

What if the model is wrong? ..

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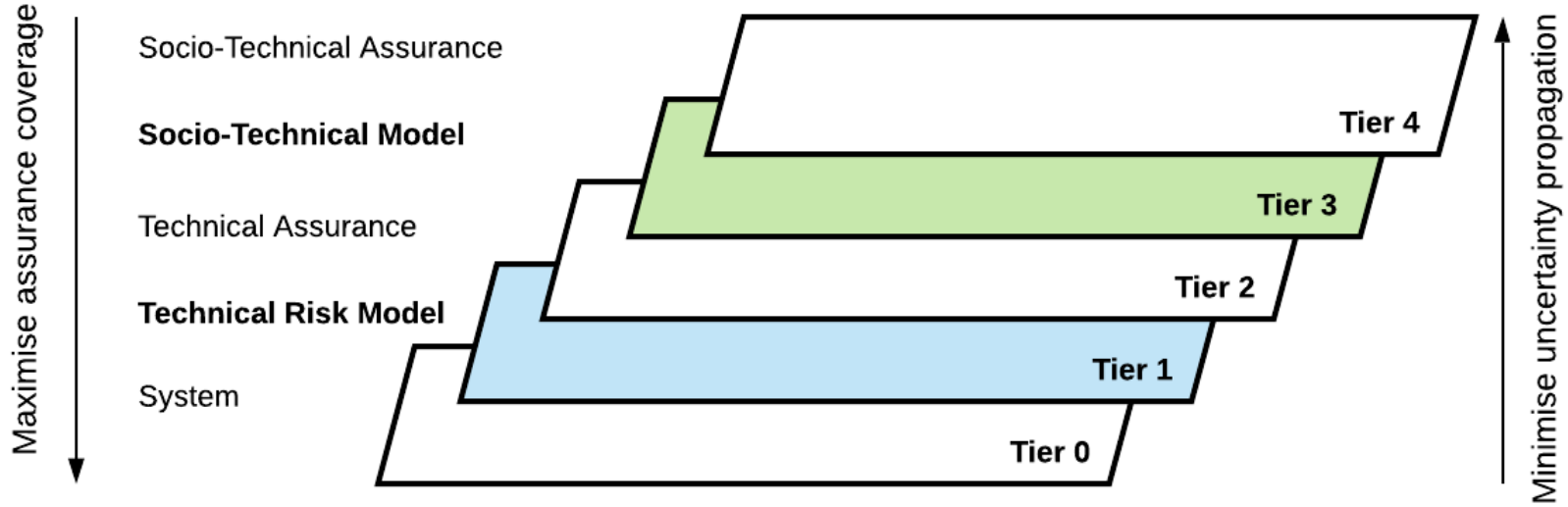
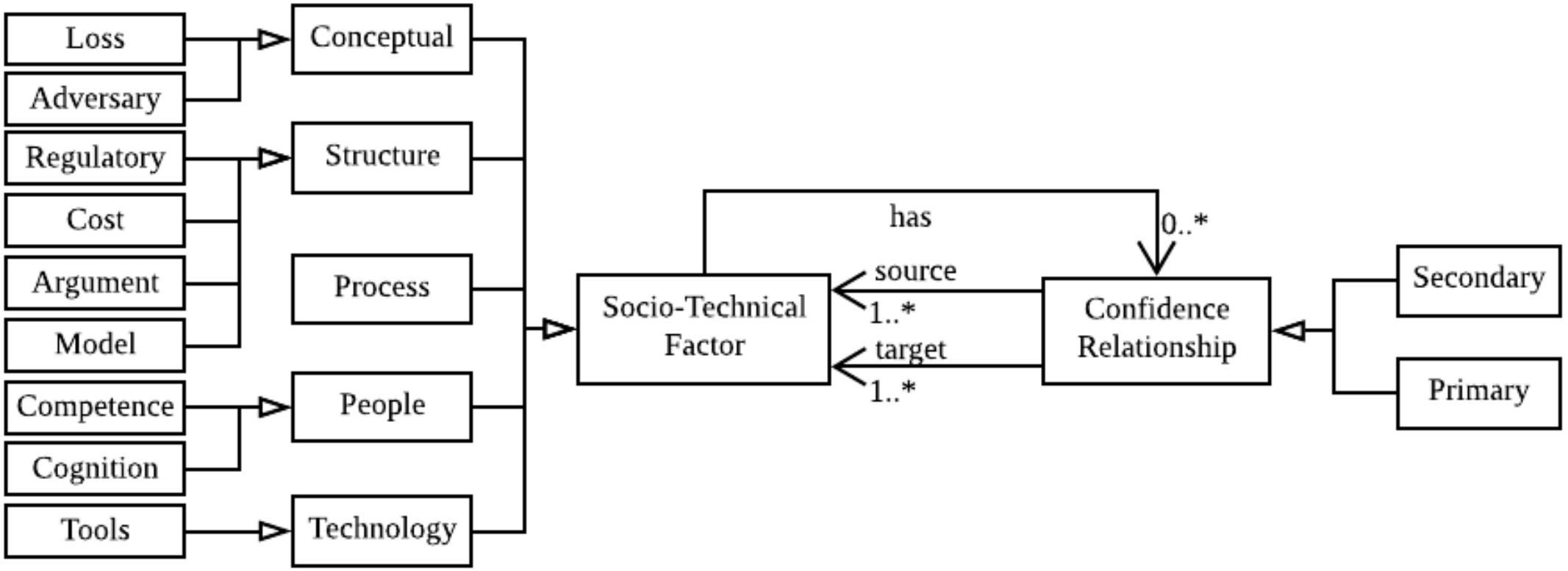


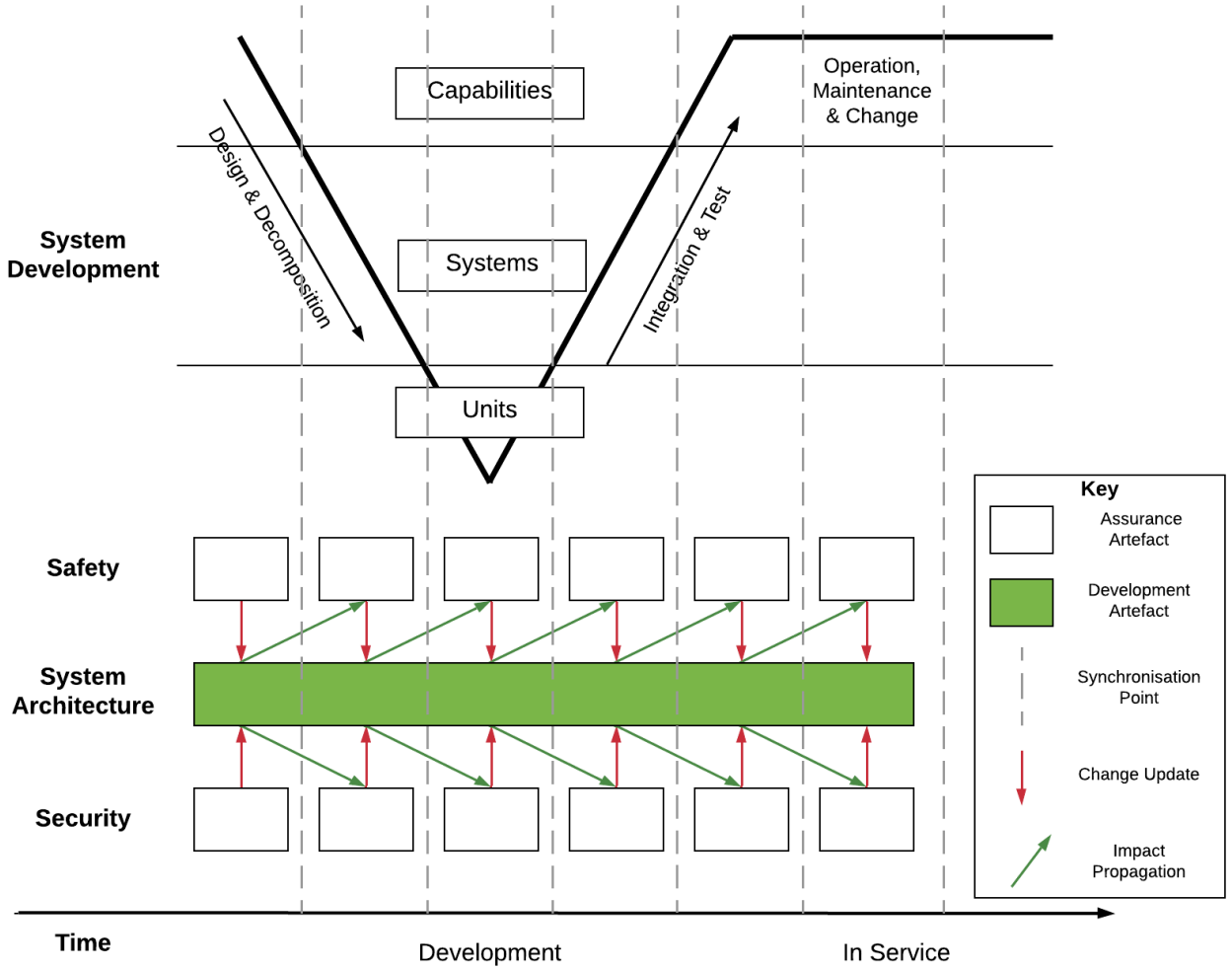
SSAF Influence Model for Socio-Tech Factors



Schemes and Critical Questions

Guide Factor	Common Conflict	Critical Questions
	Conceptual	
Clutter	There are redundant processes and models between safety and security	- Are process steps being duplicated between the attributes? - Is the same information being analysed in the same way?
Cost	The assurance activities and resources needed for one attribute are disproportionate to another e.g. more tasks, analysis, etc.	- Are the assurance activities balanced between the two attributes? *See also:* Proportionality
Culture	Due to the uncertainty levels in security the culture (compared to safety) may be a lot more flexible and expect change, even with good cyberhygiene, etc.	- What is the culture for the two attributes? - What are the different perspectives on change over time? *See also:* Temporal
Goals	The lack of aligned goals is at the root of many points of divergence e.g. which analyses are chosen, how assurance cases are presented, etc.	- Are the goals presented aligned? - At what level of abstraction do the goals diverge (if at all)? e.g. at component level
Measure	Risk is measured and recorded in conflicting ways that cannot be reconciled later, an analogy is recording the wrong units	- Is the risk measure quantitative or qualitative? - What assumptions underly the measure of risk? *See also:* Risk Concept
Proportionality	The assurance activities are not sufficient for the risk level or imbalanced between the attributes e.g. a lower safety risk is treated before a higher (uncertain) security risk.	- How are resources for assurance activities assigned? - Is there a process for correcting imbalances between the attributes?
Risk Concept	There may be conflict in the model of risk utilised e.g. safety uses ALARP in many application domains, however there is no legal or regulatory equivalent for security	- What are the implications of the risk model used? - Is the risk reduction method practical for both attributes?
Responsibility	Allocation of responsibility for additional risks that arise from the interaction between safety and security; an analogy is the systems integrator being responsible for interfaces	- Who is responsible for the *interaction risks* between safety and security? (i.e. those risks that are propagated across domains)
Trade-Off	Many aspects from individual domains may conflict such as goals, requirements, controls, etc. Without a structured approach to resolve and record these trade-offs there is a chance that the attributes will diverge	- Is there a procedure and point in time for making trade-offs of goals, resources, conflicts in requirements, etc? - Are each of the trade-offs enumerated? - How are trade-off decisions and assumptions recorded?

7. Conclusion



Implications

- it does not matter which analyses, methods or information as long as it is justified and delivered in a timely manner
- we can start to form patterns for interactions with safety
- make safety and security arguments explicit

Ongoing Work

- Safety-security co-assurance for manufacturing cobots

Further Open Questions

- Proportionality and stopping criteria for co-analysis?
- When to trigger synchronisation?
- Approaches to establishing shared understanding
- Identifying implications of change in assurance cases
- Guidance on making trade-offs
- Forensic activities after an incident
- Establishing a responsible person and accountability

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Conclusion

- there is a lot of overlap between safety and security
- but! we need to understand the differences to avoid our arguments being undermined
- the adversarial nature of security adds a new level of complexity and uncertainty, but it becomes even *more* important to capture our reasoning and have structured processes.

Thank you! Any Questions?

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