Security Challenges in Cyber-Physical Systems

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Cyber-Physical Systems

What is an autonomous system?

- Yet another definition....
- Autonomous Cyber-Physical System

Cyber-

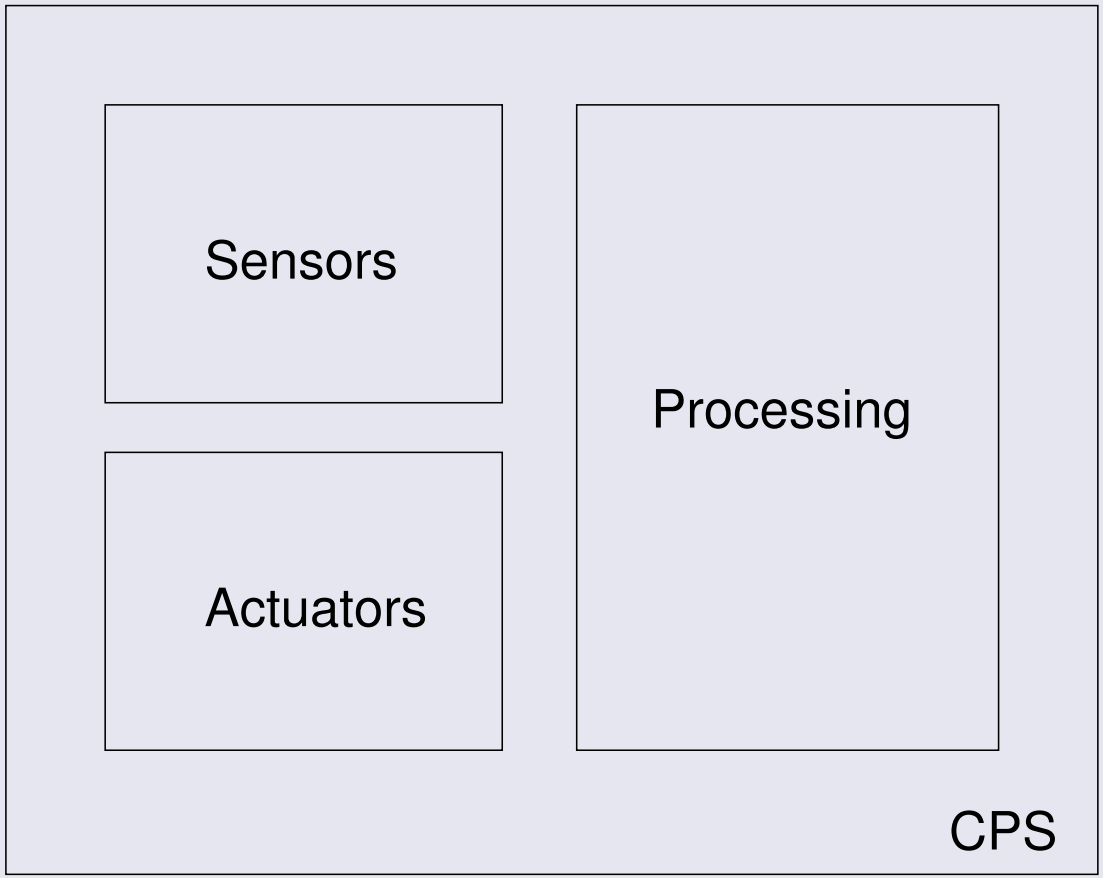
- Computational Element
- Some “intelligence”
- Network Connected

-Physical

- Sensors
- Actuators

Cyber-Physical Systems

Cyber-Physical Systems Schema



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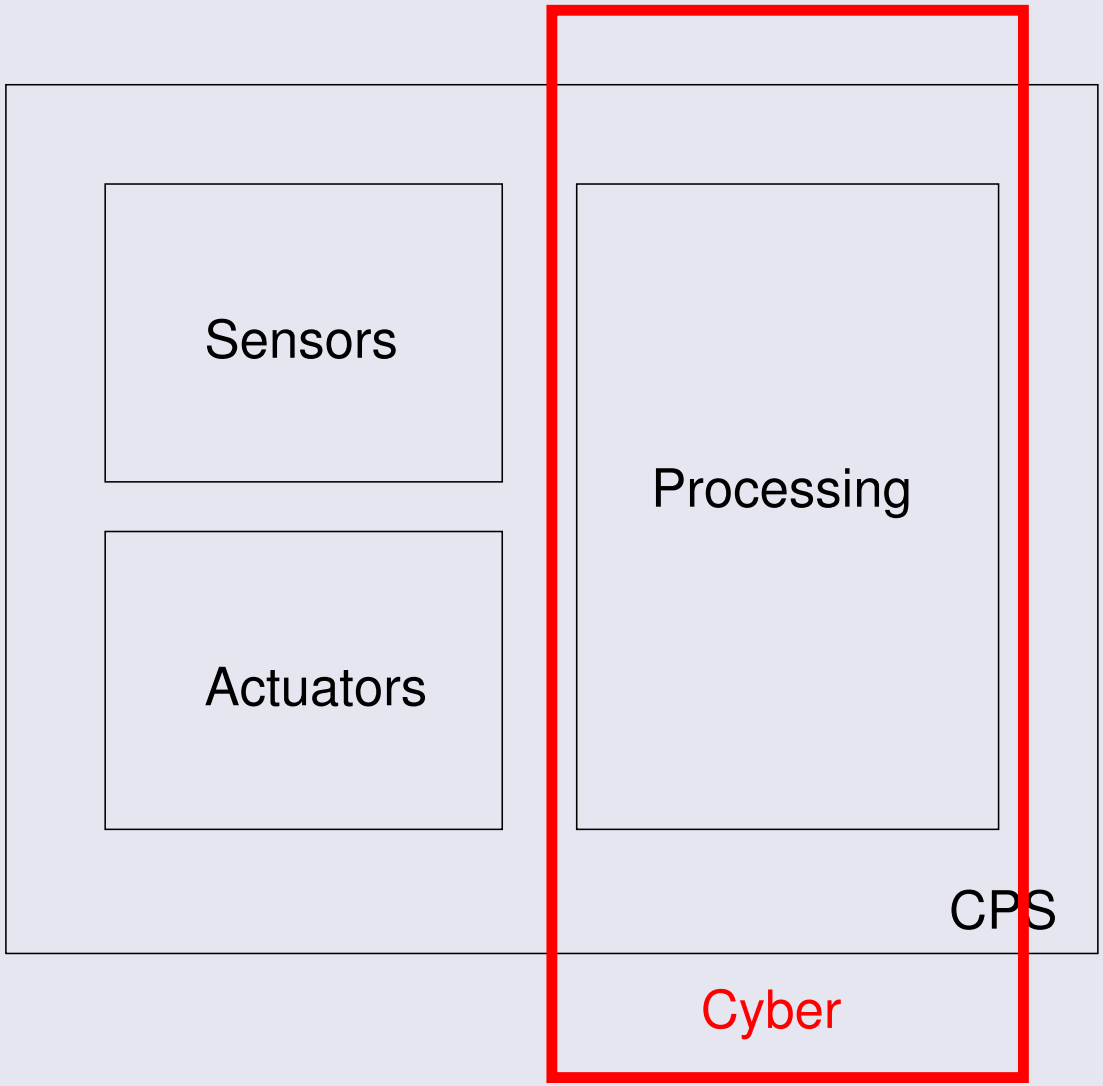

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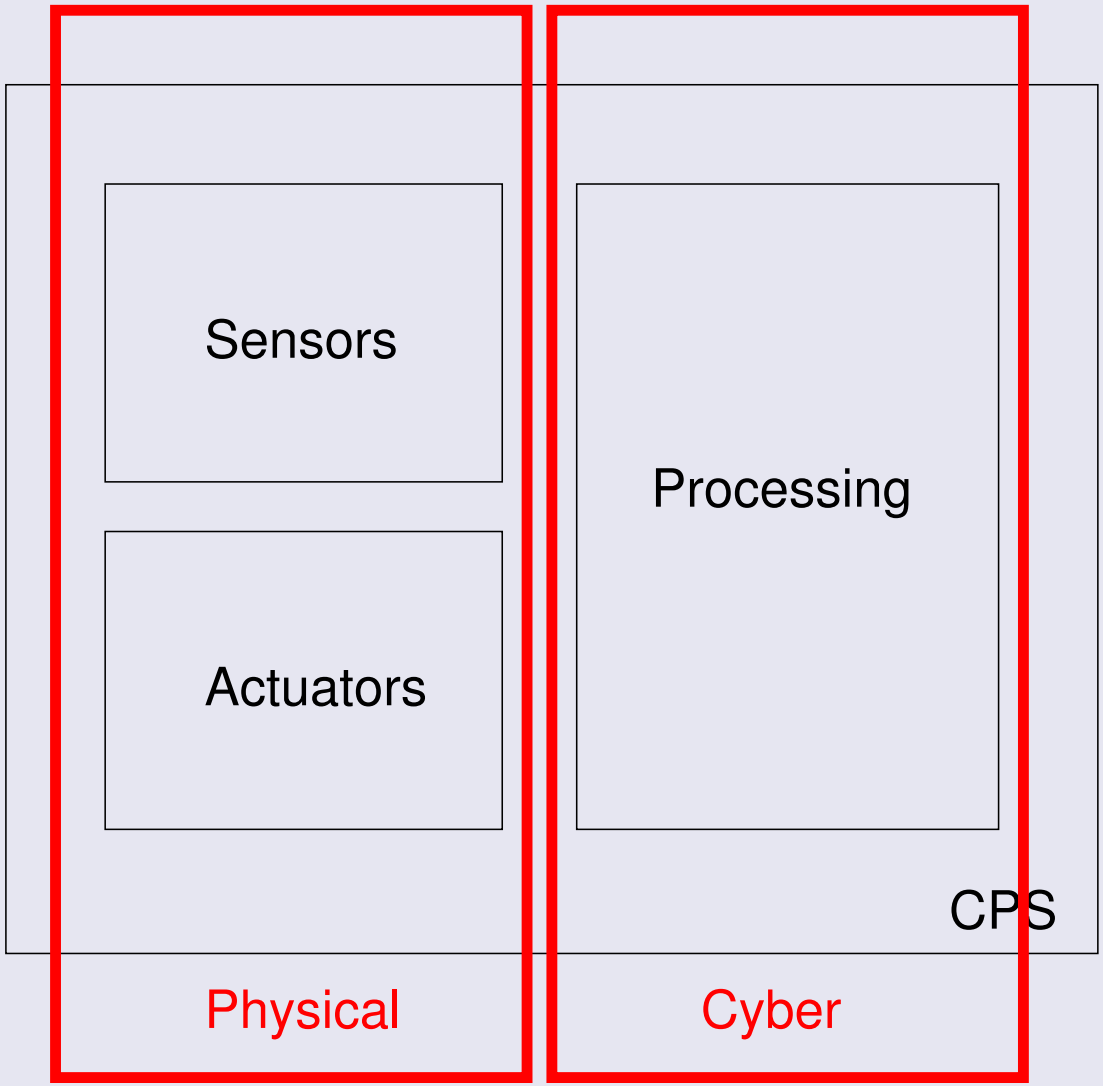

Applications of Autonomous systems

- Medical
- Critical Infrastructure
- You mention...

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Confidentiality

Attempt to gain access to **data stored/handled** or to the **IP**

Integrity

It is related to the absence of **undesired malicious modifications**

Authenticity

It is related to the authenticity of **components** and **data**

Security, the big picture

	Cyber	Physical
Cyber		
Physical		

Let's start from the Cyber-

- Virus-Malware
- Network attacks
- You mention...

Malware

Network Attacks

Hardware Trojans

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Why Physical Security is so Important Today?

Long Time Ago Past Present

Mainframes Personal Computer Pervasive

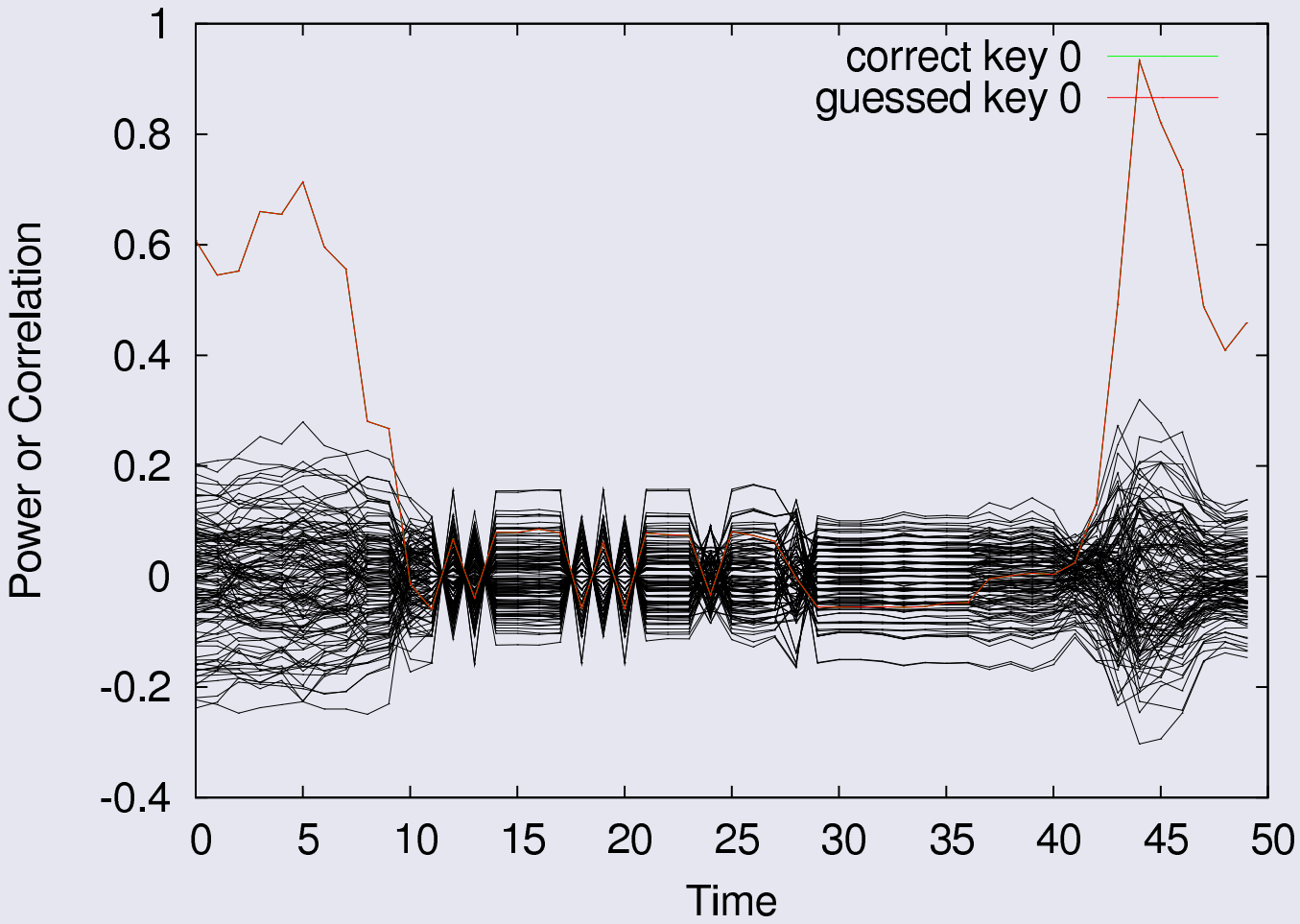
Power Analysis Attacks

Power Analysis Attacks exploit the relation between the power consumed and the processed data.

- Cheap
- Powerful

Example of Differential Power Attacks

Simulate whole embedded processor at SPICE



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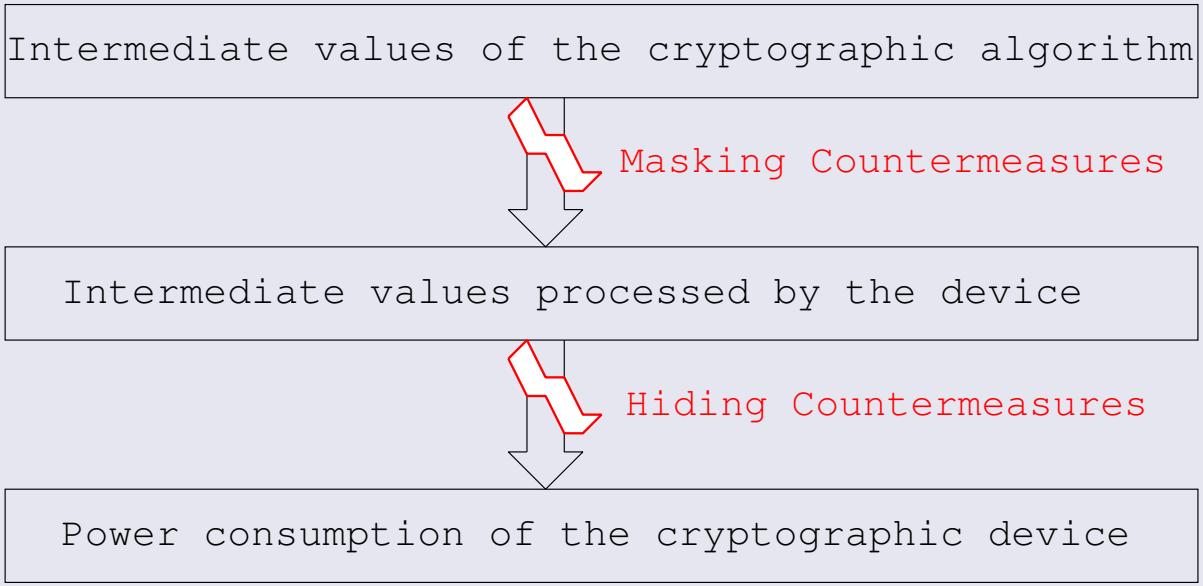

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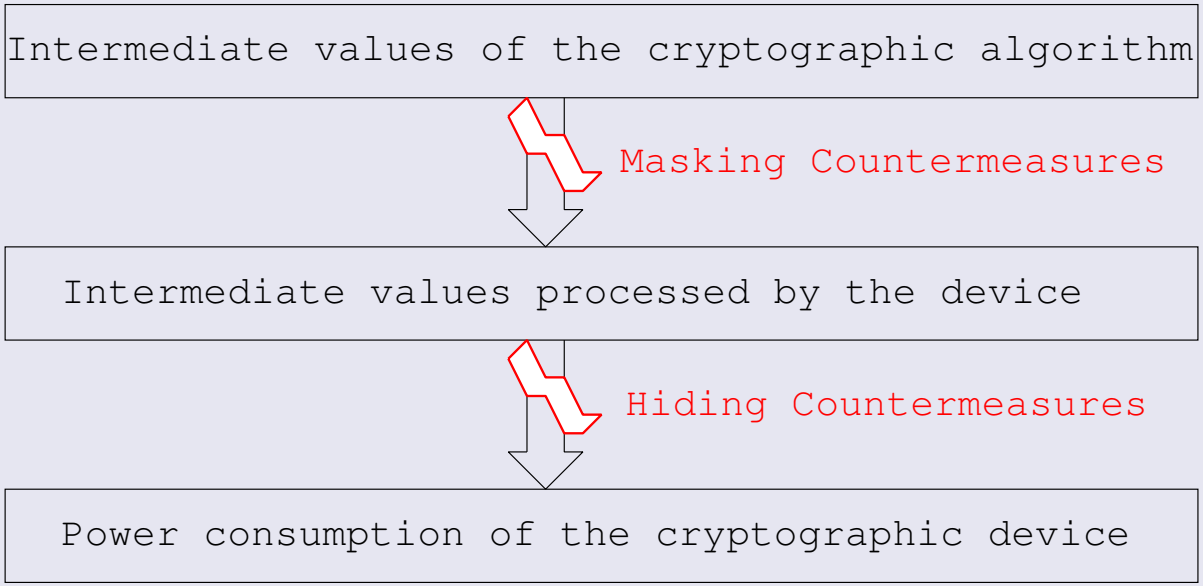
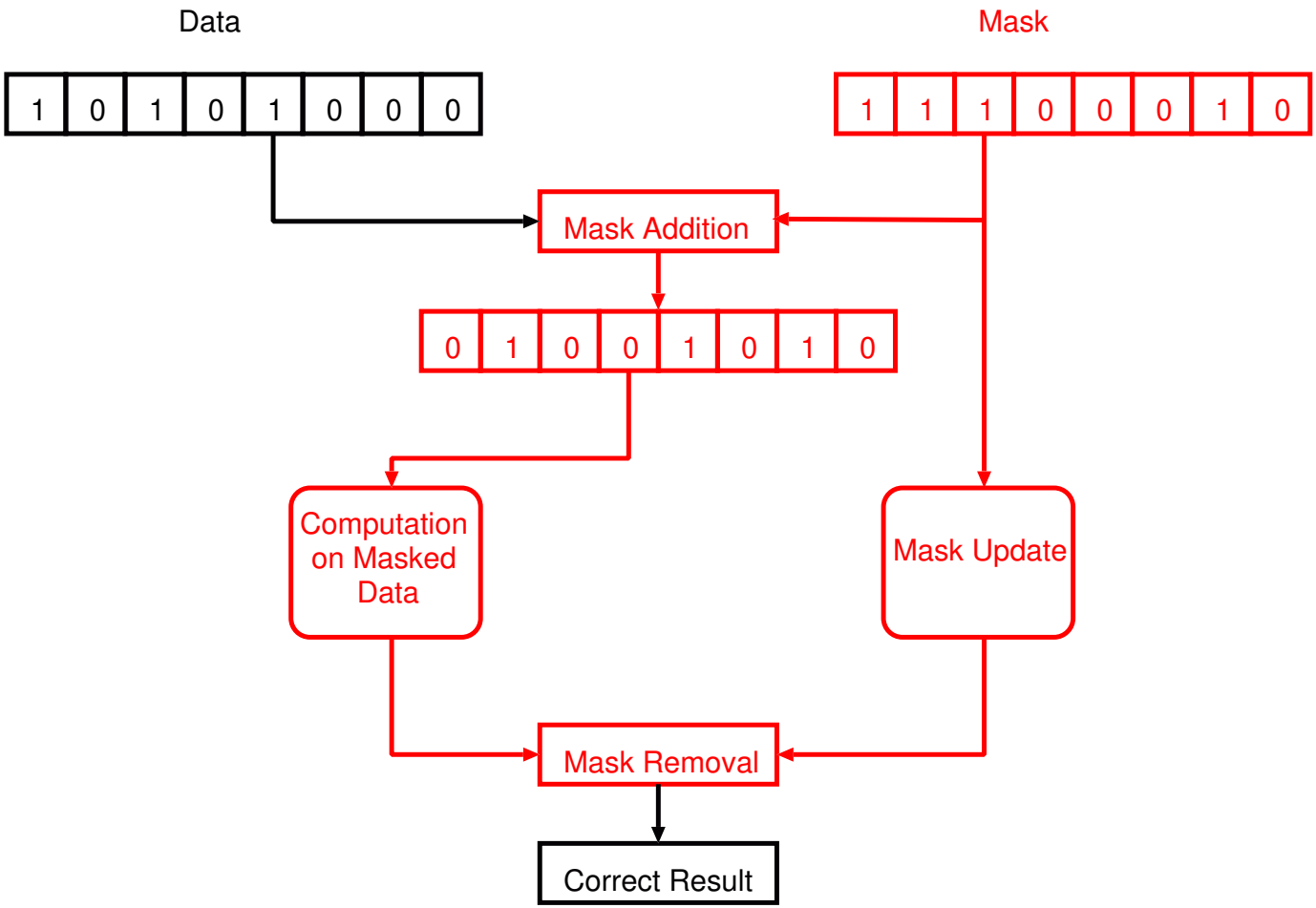


They can be implemented in **Software** or in **Hardware**

More Details on Masking



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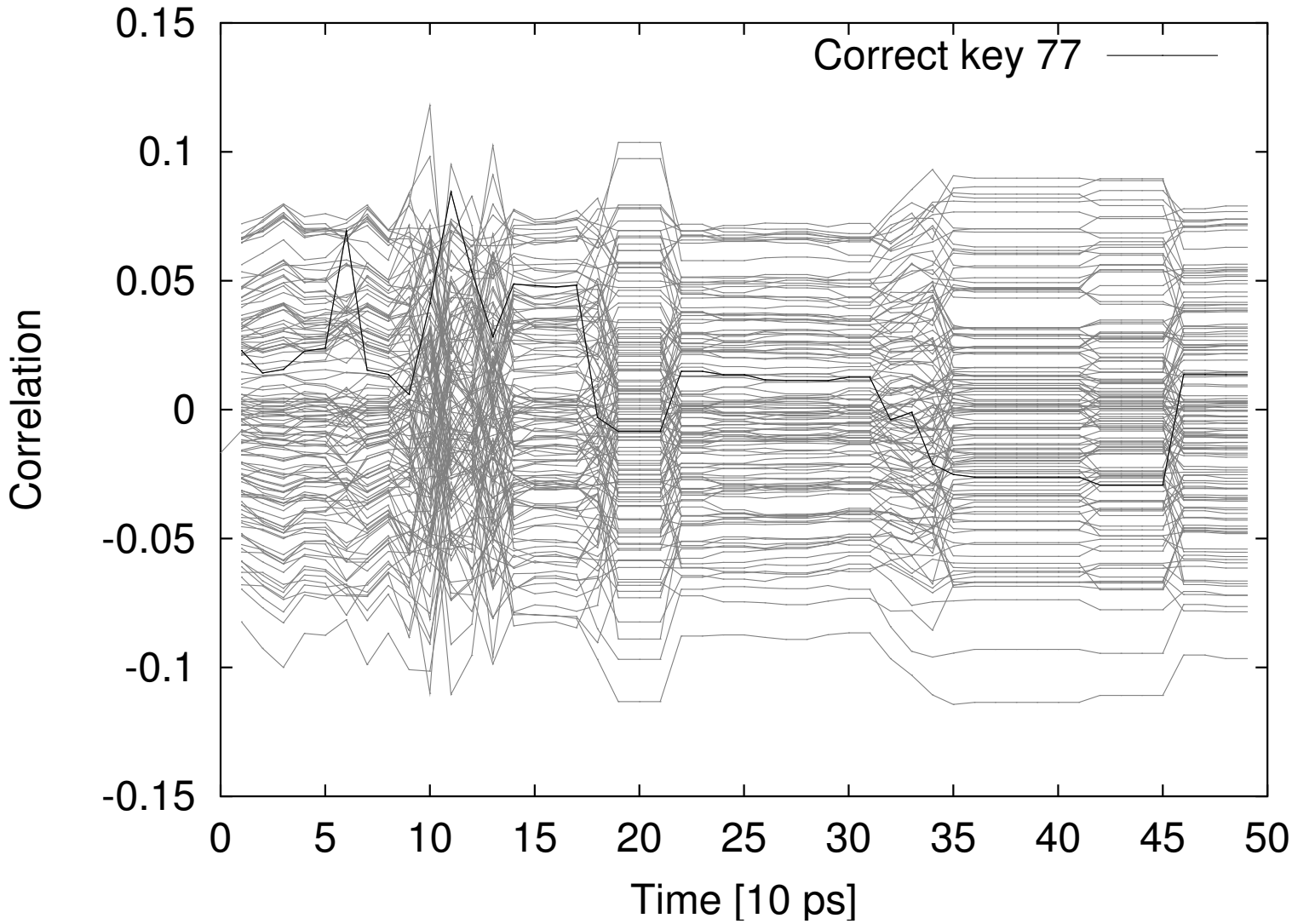

Timing Attacks

- **Goals**: The adversary attempt to recovery the secret key exploiting the time difference of of the instructions
- **Requirements**: Knowledge about the algorithm

- Spy process
- Hardware performance registers
- Visual inspection

Countermeasures

- Avoid branches dependent from secret data
- Compute secret data always in constant time

Fault Attacks

- **Goals**: The adversary attempt to recovery the secret key exploiting the relation between a faulty output and the correct one
- **Requirements**: Fault in the right position

- Laser or equivalent
- Control of the power supply

Countermeasures

- Add space redundancy
- Add time redundancy

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Long-term security

- Autonomous systems have lifetime longer than consumer electronic systems
- Systems are exposed to more powerful attack and to unknown attacks

Post-quantum cryptography

- Quantum computational power would make insecure our current public key network
- Transition towards post-quantum cryptography is under standardization

Crypto-agility

- “Capability to update cryptographic functionality of a system”
- Possible at algorithmic level or at device level (reconfigurable blocks specifically dedicated to cryptography)

Lightweight

Light-

weight?

- Area
- Power
- Energy

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Security of Machine learning

Autonomous systems include artificial intelligence

Protecting the IP of AI

- Training AI algorithms is a costly process
- Parameters of AI algorithms needs to be protected

Protecting from adversarial machine learning

- Malicious input data used to mislead machine learning algorithms
- Very relevant case: road signals

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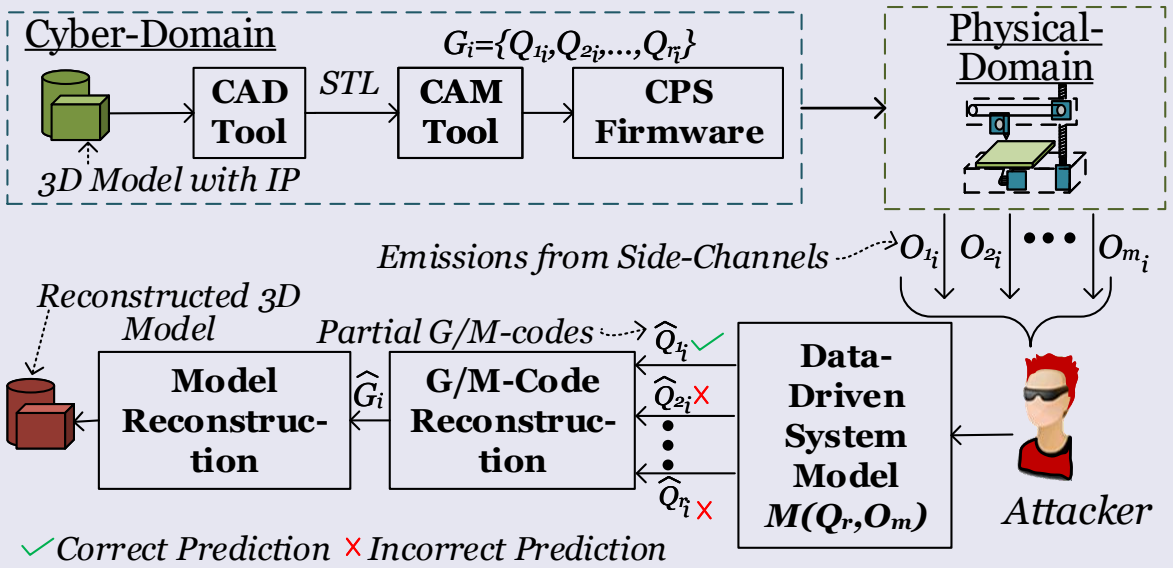
3D printer

Physical on Physical



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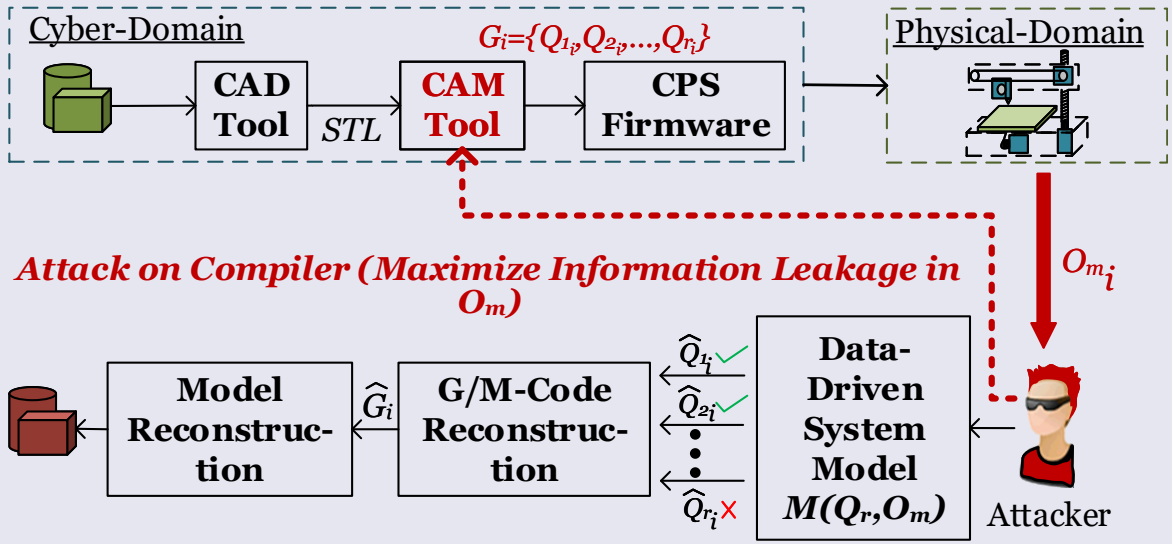

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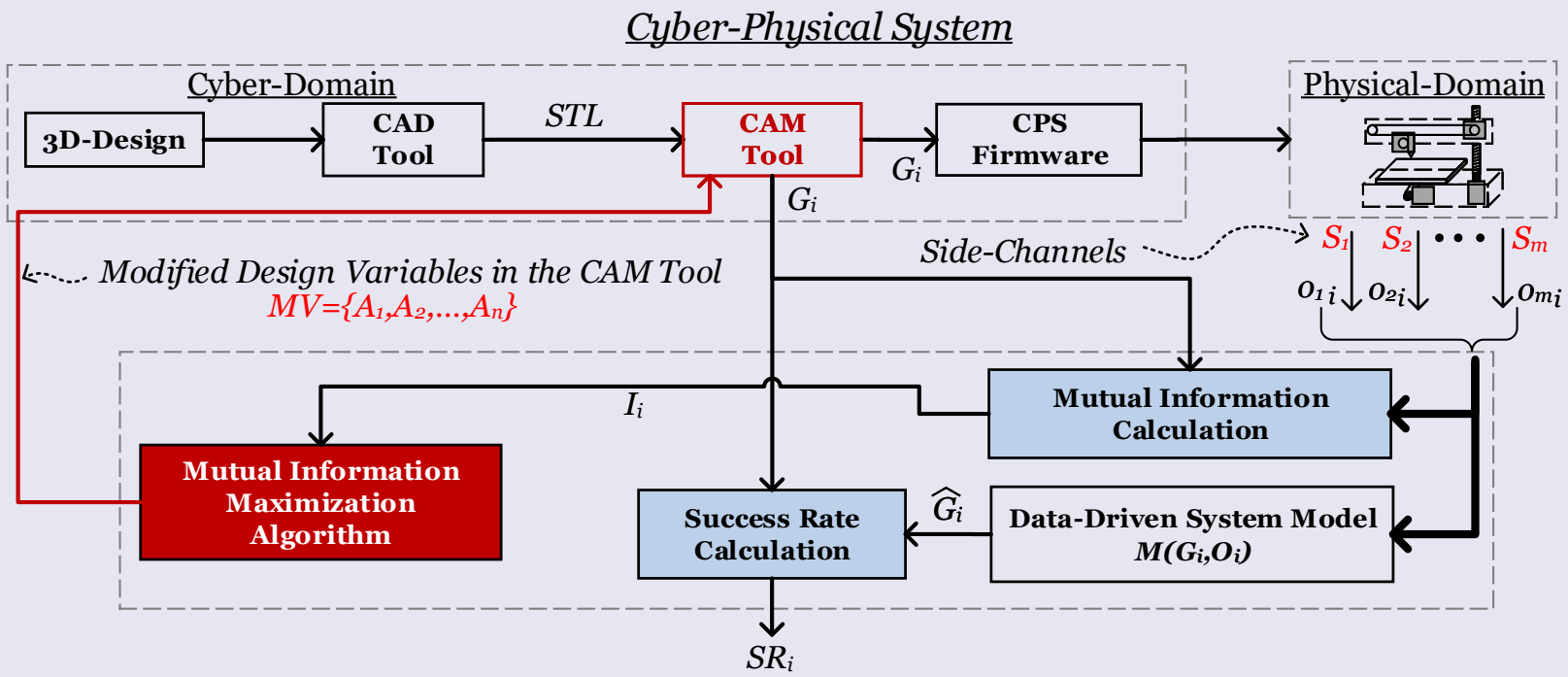

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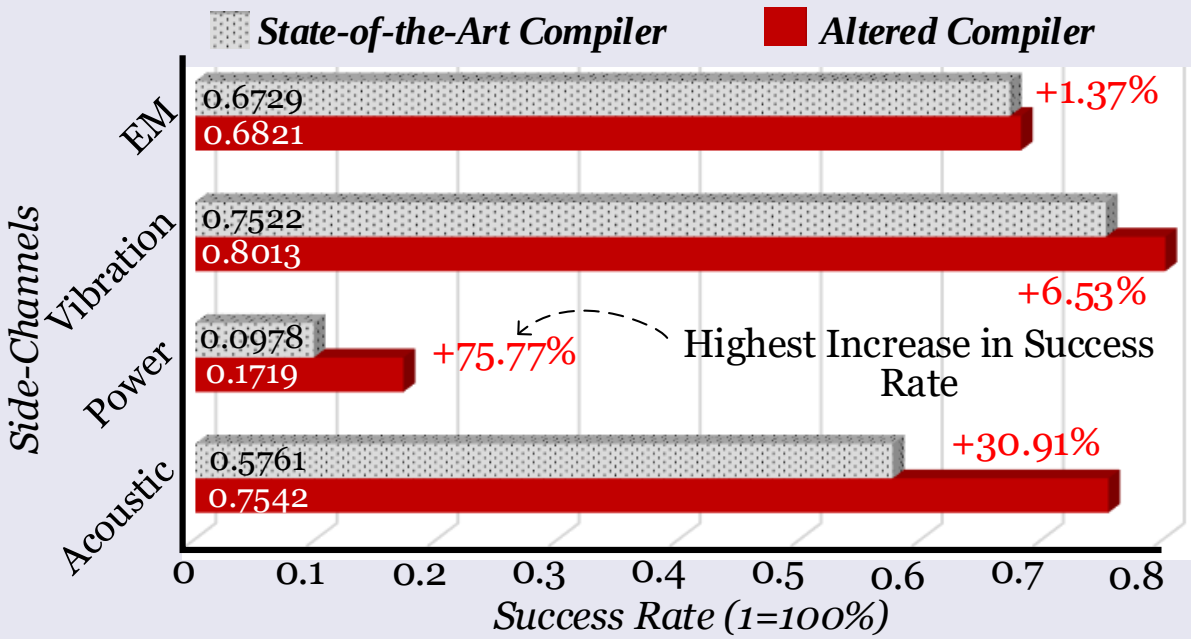

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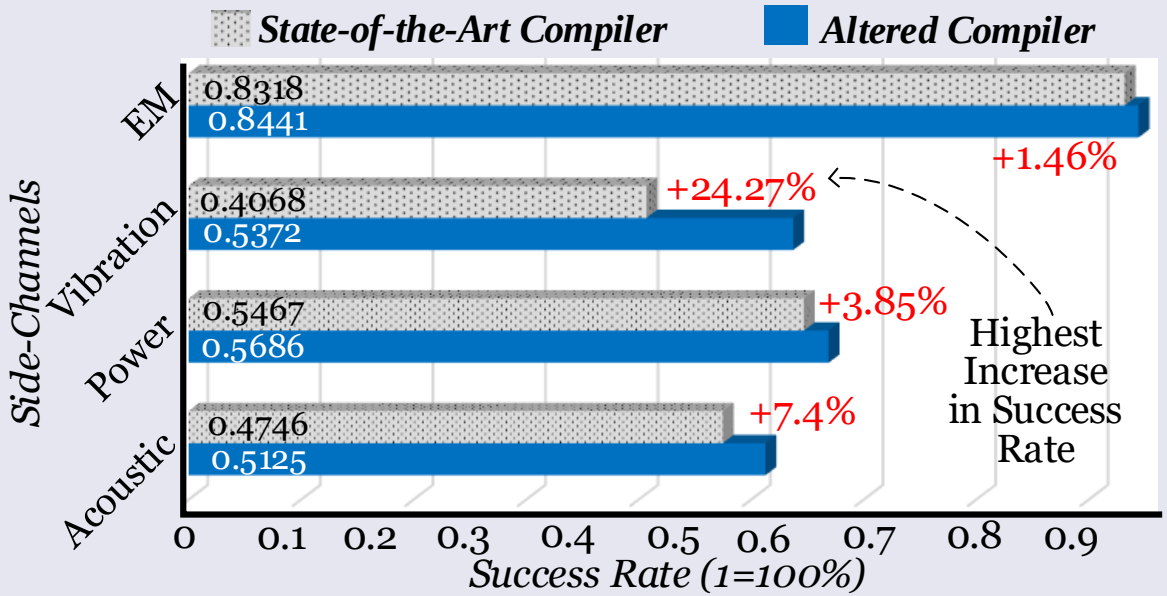

Conclusions

- Security is a crucial extra-functional requirement for cyber-physical systems
- We cover only half of the problem...

Questions?

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