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INL Control System Situational Awareness Technology

- **Sophia Tool:** Provides users a thorough view of their control system and wired sensor networks, allowing a detailed review of all conversations that are occurring
- **Mesh Mapper Tool:** Collects all the routes taken by ICS wireless mesh network data messages and tracks them in such a way the operator can readily observe any abnormal behavior of wireless sensor networks
- **Intelligent Cyber Sensor:** Distinguishes between component failure and cyber security incidents and monitors the overall health of a system
- **Data Fusion System:** Identifies, reduces, and characterizes data, providing integrated situational awareness of the cyber and operational health of the control and sensor system
- **Network Access Policy Tool (NetAPT):** Provides standardized method of network information exchange.

Sophia Tool

- Goal:** Scalable architecture for capture and aggregation of information
- Reads info from real-time network sources, archived PCAP files, netflow and syslog feeds
 - Sortable communications tree to drill into hosts and services
 - Multi-user 3D interface
 - Fast forward, rewind and pause network displays
 - Customizable 3D network layout
 - GeoIP enabled to view interactions with internet based hosts
 - Protocols distinguished by color
 - Working to complete Alpha software for site testing, develop commercialization partners
 - Partners: INL, TBD Commercialization Partners, and multiple asset owner Alpha sites

Mesh Mapper Tool

- Passive collection of route information of a wireless mesh network (WMN). Graphically present this information for quick analysis.
 - **Goal:** Make Information available to higher level decision analysis tools that encompass more than just the wireless elements of a control system.
 - Define the Mesh Mapper Architecture
 - Develop a proof-of-concept prototype
 - Finalize development and establish commercialization partnership(s)
 - Perform an Alpha site test on a commercial system
 - Demonstrate with Tool Set.
- Partners: INL, TBD device vendor(s), Asset Owner POC sites

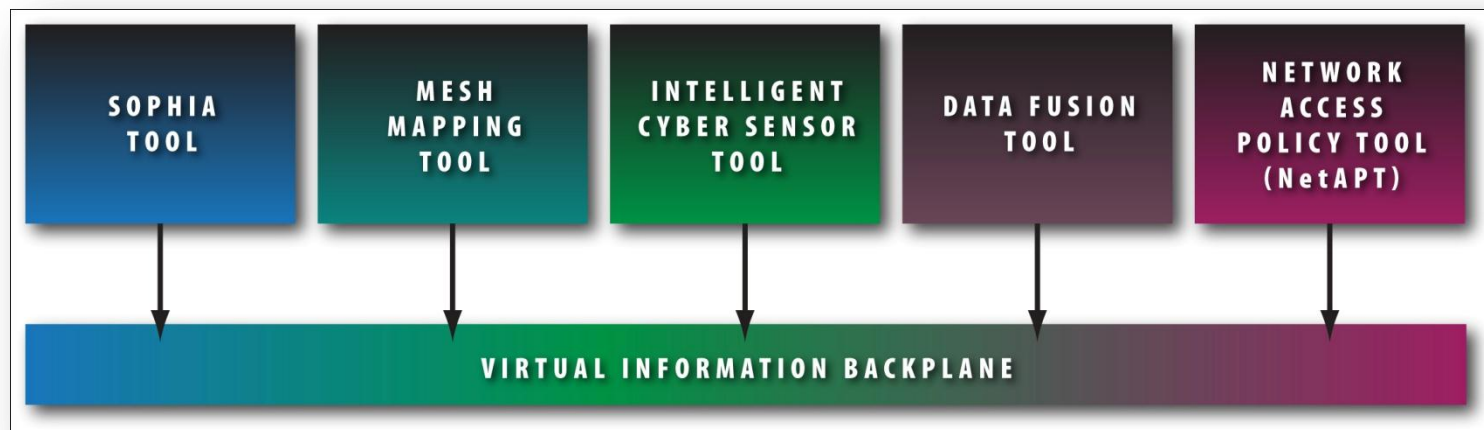
Intelligent Cyber Sensor

- Cyber sensor looks at smart grid sensor traffic with a highly efficient mechanism of monitoring and filtering network performance data.
- **Goal:** Create a new control system intelligent agent specification that contains anomaly detection and active autonomous responses.
 - Identify effective anomaly detection algorithms to implement within intelligent software agents to enhance reliability and survivability of control systems.
 - Create an intelligent software agent prototype capable of monitoring control system hardware and demonstrate its ability to detect and respond to anomalies.
 - Integrate with NetATP, ensures an effective implementation of security policy, flagging degradation trends in the associated sensor subsystem, and presenting information in an efficient, ergonomic fashion.
- Partners: University of Idaho, Univ of Illinois Urbana/Champagne, INL, Asset Owner POC sites

Data Fusion Tool

- Computational Intelligence (CI) Advanced Data Mining Techniques (ADMTs) combine multiple temporal/spatial, highly diverse data streams into a unified data model, then identify relationships and frequent data patterns that are common to ICS and sensor systems.
 - **Goal:** Achieve resilient data fusion (generation of actionable intelligence) via various CI techniques. The Data Fusion Tool will couple the cyber health and operational performance aspects of a sensor network to provide an overall network performance indicator.
 - Develop the ADMT architecture
 - Develop a proof-of-concept prototype
 - Integrate/demonstrate prototype solution with the Intelligent Cyber Sensor and other tools.
- Partners: University of Idaho, INL

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4GL Microcontroller Implementation

Recent testing of various PLCs, RTUs, and IEDs suggest that many if not most of these devices can be easily exploited and controlled by hackers.

- The project: Port an existing high-level language to microcontrollers as its native operating environment. This environment would provide many advantages to the developer:
 - Far fewer exploitable coding mistakes
 - Sharp decrease in development time
 - Increased pool of developers to draw from
 - A wealth of already debugged modules already written for the language
- Selected Python language to implement on popular ARM processor
 - In Basic Prototyping Phase
- Project Length: 2 years
- Partners: Siemens Corp Research, TBD Asset Owner POC site

Honeywell: Role-Based Access Control

- Research, develop and commercialize a role-based access control (RBAC) –driven, least privilege architecture for control systems
- Project Lead: Honeywell International, Inc.
- Partners: University of Illinois, Idaho National Laboratory
- Kickoff scheduled for May timeframe

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