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Introduction to SNL



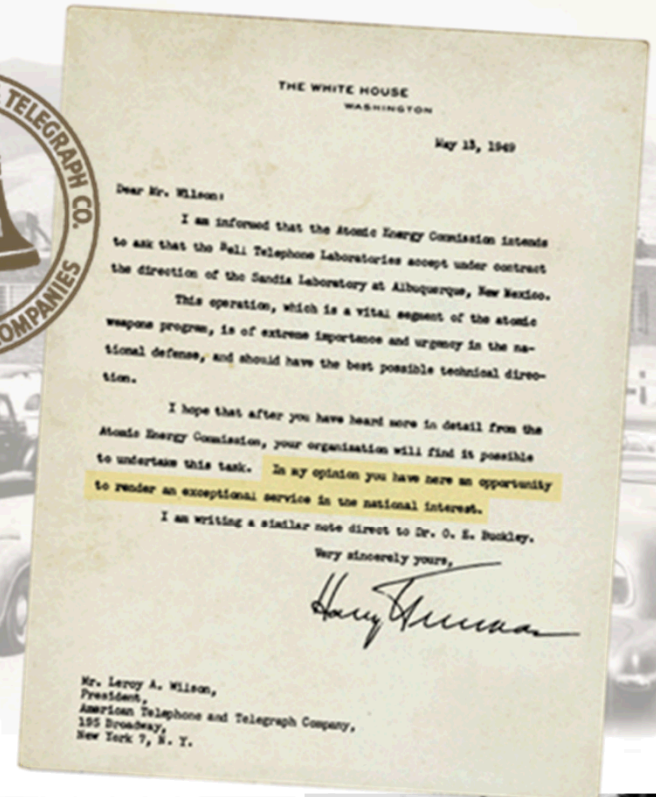
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Sandia's History

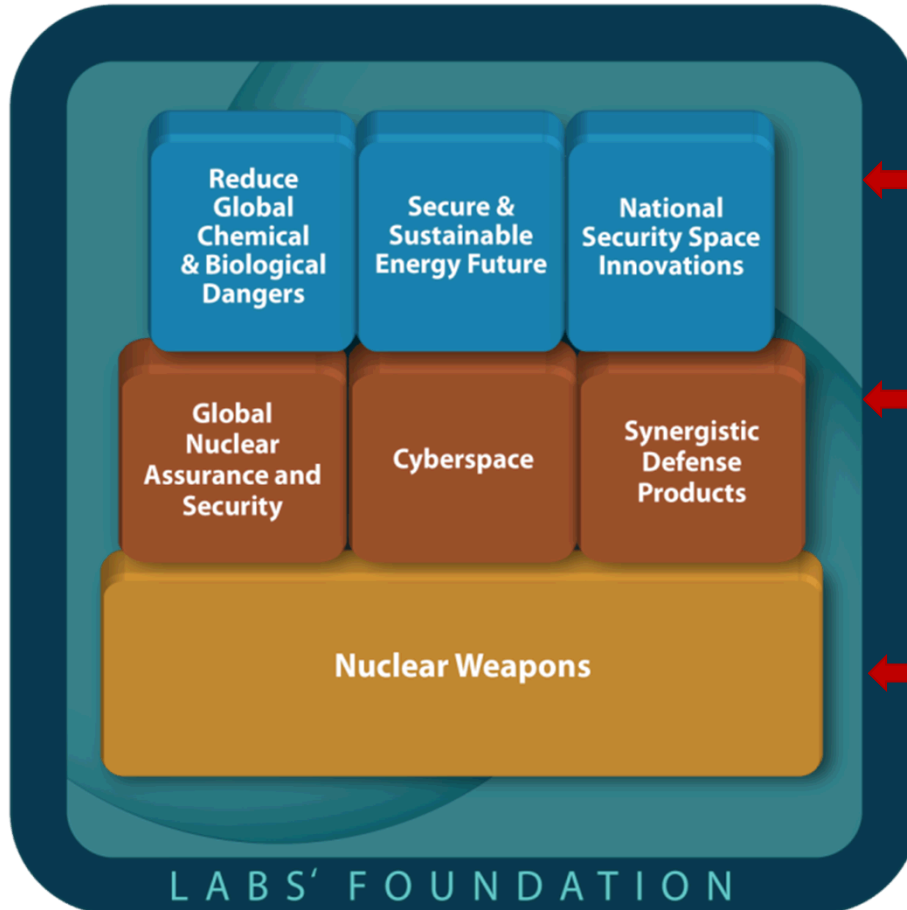
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- July 1945: Los Alamos creates Z Division
- Nonnuclear component engineering
- November 1, 1949: Sandia Laboratory established

to undertake this task. In my opinion you have here an opportunity to render an exceptional service in the national interest.



National Security Mission Areas



- Top row: Critical to our national security, these three mission areas leverage, enhance, and advance our capabilities.
- Middle row: Strongly interdependent with NW, these three mission areas are essential to sustaining Sandia's ability to fulfill its NW core mission.
- Bottom row: Our core mission, nuclear weapons (NW), is enabled by a strong scientific and engineering foundation.

Sandia Addresses National Security Challenges

1950s

Nuclear weapons

Production and
manufacturing
engineering



1960s

Development
engineering

Vietnam conflict



1970s

Multiprogram
laboratory

Energy crisis



1980s

Missile defense
work

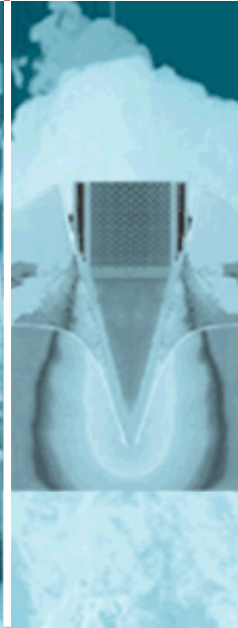
Cold War



1990s

Post-Cold War
transition

Stockpile
stewardship



2000s

START
Post 9/11

National security



2010s

LEPs
Cyber, biosecurity
proliferation

Evolving national
security challenges



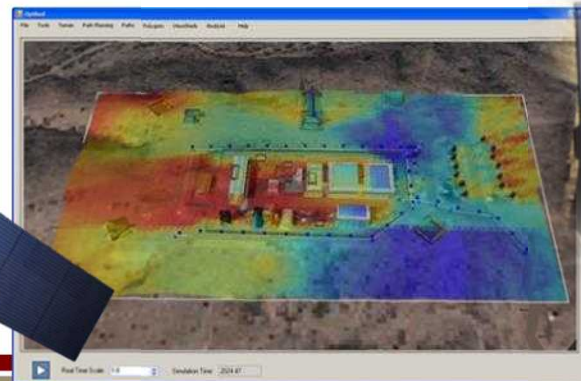
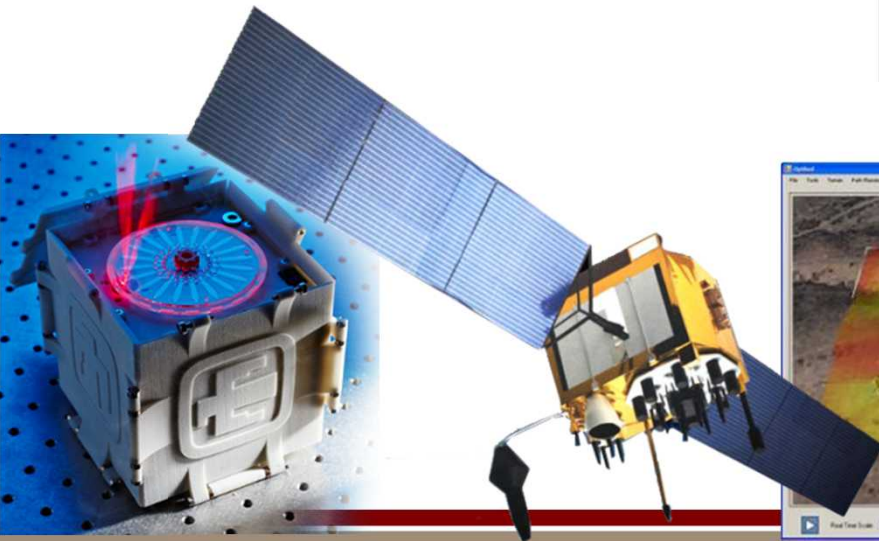
International, Homeland, and Nuclear Security

Program Areas

- Global Security
- IHNS Remote Sensing & Verification
- WMD Counterterrorism and Response
- Homeland Security
- Cyber and Infrastructure Security
- Homeland Defense and Force Protection

Capabilities

- *Nuclear, radiological, biological, explosives, and chemical science and engineering*
- *System analysis, engineering, and integration*
- *Physical and cyber security methods, technologies, and systems*
- *Predictive modeling and simulation of interdependent systems*
- *Decontamination and restoration approaches and technologies*
- *International security technologies and policy*
- *Nonproliferation/Arms Control monitoring technologies*



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Current Sandia Activities



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High Performance Computing

Funding profiles for Scientific Computing at Sandia:

1. NNSA Advanced Simulation and Computing (ASC)
2. Institutional Computing program
3. DOE Office of Science, Advanced Scientific Computing Research (ASCR)

ASC Tri-Lab Networks/Systems at SNL, LANL and LLNL:

- Continuous Access to Large Compute Systems
- Over 3 Petaflops + 4 Security Environments + Over 1.3B Processor Hrs/Yr

Operations:

- Scientific Computing Platforms – Cielo, Trinity, Sequoya, Sierra
- System Acquisition, Maintenance & Operations
- High Speed Parallel File Systems
- High Performance Parallel Networks
- Multi-Petabyte Data Archive Systems
- Facilities Improvements
- User Support Personnel
- Analysts & Code Development



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Center for Computing Research

Cybersecurity research focused on cross-cutting challenges and enabling capabilities:

- Streaming algorithms to process large data streams
 - Algorithms to find patterns in large graphs
 - Machine learning techniques to detect adversarial behavior (e.g. phishing emails)
 - Quantum Information Systems
 - Cognitive Science
 - Neural Networks
 - Cyber Emulitics
 - Exascale Computing
 - Remote sensing challenges
 - Cybersecurity Engineering Research Institute (CERI)
- Collaboration with Industry and Academia



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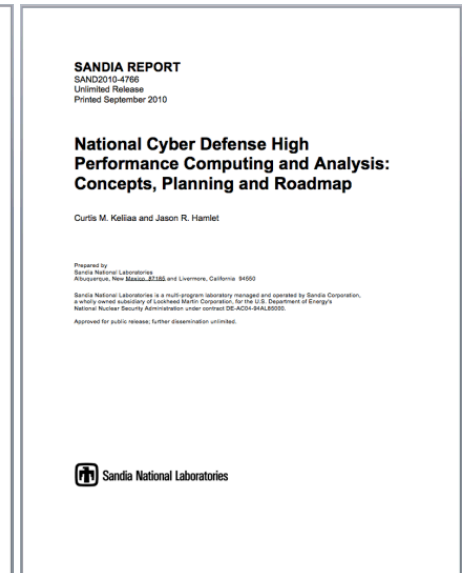
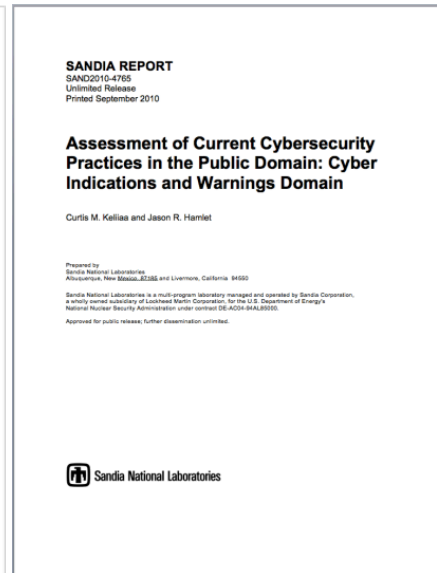
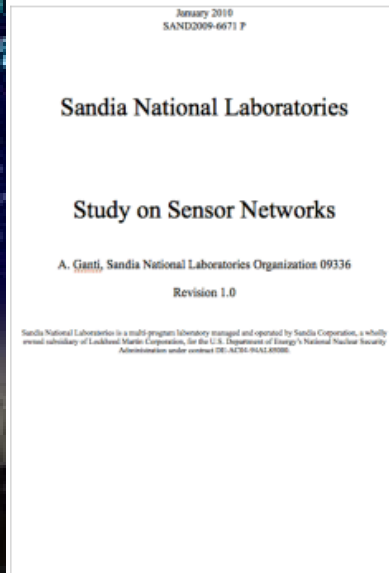


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2010 Report Progression



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The September 2010 report illustrates a national cyber dilemma that threatens the very fabric of government, commercial and private use operations worldwide. Much is written about “what” the problem is, and though the basis for the paper is an assessment of the problem space, we target the “how” solution space of the wide-area national information infrastructure through the advancement of science, technology, evaluation and analysis with actionable results intended to produce a more secure national information infrastructure and a comprehensive national cyber defense capability.



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Problem Statement and Overview



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Cybersecurity Domain Priority Wide Area Problems



Seven Priority Wide-Area Problems:

1. Disjointed Response to Wide-Area and Multi Target Attack
2. Widely Dispersed and Fragmented Detection and Notification Capabilities
3. Ill-defined Government, Commercial, and Academic Roles and Responsibilities
4. Divided and Rigid Wide-Area Cyber Protection Posture
5. Unresolved Wide-Area Common and Shared Risks
6. Fragile Interdependent Wide-Area Critical Access and Operations
7. Unresolved Attribution of Attack and Compromise



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Big Data * Cybersecurity

- Volume
- Velocity
- Variety
- Variability
- Complexity

Unprecedented Data Availability * Adversarial Threat



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Cyberspace Challenge

Accelerated National Cyber Threat
Environment Amid Disruptive Change

Extreme Data Future?

↑ **Big Data: Legacy to Cloud/Sensor/Mobile/Quantum**

↑ **HPC: Peta to Exascale**

↑ **ICT: IPv4 (4.3B Depleted 9/24/15) to RF/IPv6 (3.4×10^{38})**

↑ **CIKR: SCADA/ICS to Multi-Domain IoT/Cyber**



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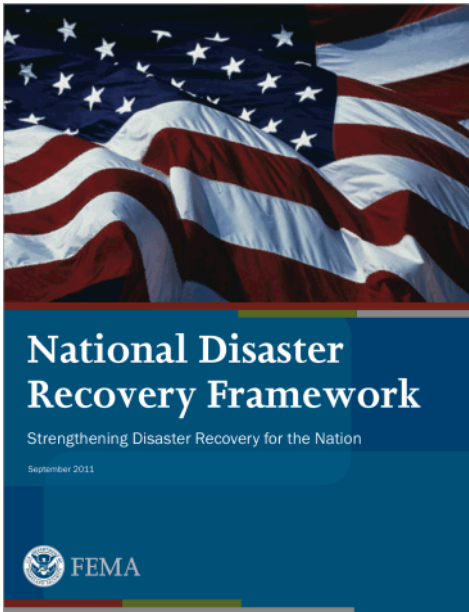


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Cyber Critical Infrastructure Risks & Exposure

- Complexity + Risk + Cost = Greater Exposure
- Big Data * Complexity Increases Time to Respond/Resolve
- High Risk Command & Control – Increases with Automation
- Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities Gap

Assess risk and disaster resilience so that decision makers, responders, and community members can take informed action to reduce risk and increase resilience.



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Cyber Critical Infrastructure Challenges

Chemical
Commercial Facilities
Communications
Critical Manufacturing
Dams
Defense Industrial Base
Emergency Services
Energy
Financial Services
Food and Agriculture
Government Facilities
Healthcare and Public Health
Information Technology
Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste
Transportation Systems
Water and Wastewater Systems

16 DHS Defined
Critical Infrastructure Sectors

- Big Data Scale Cyberspace Threat to Critical Infrastructure Key Resources (CIKR)
- Accelerated Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Dependence
- Changing Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) and Industrial Control Systems (ICS)
- Wide Area Operations and Security Coordination
- Increased Need for Cyber Critical Infrastructure Protection, Resilience, & Security



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National Security and Emergency Preparedness



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Research Opportunities and Expected Impacts



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Trusted Connection and Automated Process Opportunities

Cyber and Infrastructure Security



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Actionable Result: Effective Response to Attack

Challenge: Trusted Internet Connection Defense

Short Term Conceptual Gain:

Distributed Detection, Notification & Response Communication Framework

Long Term Conceptual Gain:

Bio-Technology Aided Attribution & Cyber Deterrence



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Informatcs Statistical TCP/IP Anomalous Behavior

ARIN IPV4 FREE POOL REACHES ZERO

Posted: Thursday, 24 September 2015

Source:
<https://www.arin.net/announcements/2015/20150924.html>

Actionable Result: Near Real Time Notification of Infrastructure Attack

Challenge: Legacy IPv4 and Next Generation IPv6



Source:
<https://www.ipv6forum.org>

Short Term Conceptual Gain:

Distributed Sensor Architecture, Cyber Personification Schema

Long Term Conceptual Gain:

Polymorphic Attack Surface, Real Time Provisioned / Deprovisioned & Assured Critical Access & Operations



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Cybersecurity Mathematical and Statistical Analysis



Actionable Result: Near Real Time Notification of Information Compromise

Challenge: Cybersecurity Informed Defense

Short Term Conceptual Gain:

Value Based Information Protection, & Statistical Language Analysis

Long Term Conceptual Gain:

Artificial Intelligence Aided Dynamic Defense



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Cybersecurity Complexity Science Analysis

Actionable Result: Agile & Adaptive Defense

Challenge: Defending Against Emerging Threat

Short Term Conceptual Gain:

Behavior Based Entitlement Provisioning, Situational Staged Defense, Rapid Response Service Oriented Architecture

Long Term Conceptual Gain:

Behavioral Autoimmune System, Real Time Containment, Eradication & Recovery From Compromise



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Modeling, Simulation and Analysis of Complex Networked Systems

Actionable Result: Identified Shared Cross Domain Risk and Mitigations

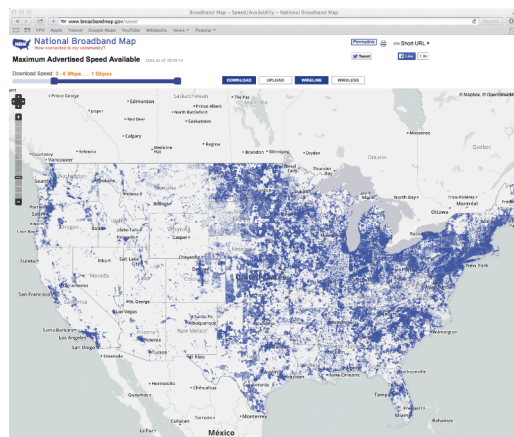
Challenge: Informed CIKR National Cyber Defense

Short Term Conceptual Gain:

Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA) Based Anomalous Event Detection, Formal Risk-Based Approach to Attribution

Long Term Conceptual Gain:

Dynamically Mitigated Cross Domain Risks



Source:
<http://www.broadbandmap.gov/speed>



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HPC Analysis and Correlation Algorithms



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Actionable Result: Minimized Attack Surface and Assured Critical Access and Operations

Challenge: Big Data Correlation for National Cyber Defense

Short Term Conceptual Gain:

Federated Business Continuity Planning

Long Term Conceptual Gain:

Self-Organizing System of Systems, Real Time Containment & Eradication of Attack



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The Sociology and Psychology of Cyber Engagement



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Actionable Result: Attribution of Attack & Compromise, Identified Gaps and Vulnerabilities

Challenge: Understanding Defender and Attacker Engagement

Short Term Conceptual Gain:

Cyber Adaptive Response Architecture,
Multi-Actor Interactive Gaming

Long Term Conceptual Gain:

Trusted High Performance Cloud Computing, & Socio-Psychological Preemptive Response to Attack



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Cybersecurity Domain: Actionable Results

Actionable Results to Resolve Big Data Scale Challenges:

- Identification of Gaps and Vulnerabilities
- Identified Cross Domain Risks and Mitigations
- Minimized Attack Surface
- Effective Response to Attack
- Agile and Adaptive Defense
- Near Real-Time Notification of Infrastructure Attack and Information Compromise
- Assured Critical Access and Operations
- Attribution of Attack and Compromise

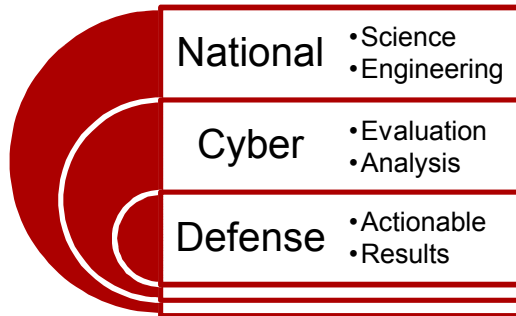


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Research Direction



National Cyber Defense HPC Analysis

- Trusted Connection & Automated Process Opportunities
- Informatics Statistical TCP/IP Anomalous Behavior
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- Research Complexity Science, Mod-Sim of Large Scale Networks & Big Data
 - Enhanced understanding of networked systems
 - Improved graph analysis
 - Identification of network nodes to prevent or slow spread of attack
 - Improved signatures and predictors of attack
 - More timely detection of attack
 - Faster response & resolution of compromise
- Research informatics, statistical anomaly detection, data reduction approaches
 - Combine with distributed sensor networks, and HPC analysis, to enhance attack detection, response, and recovery



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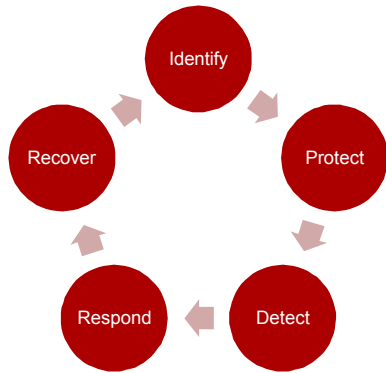


Concepts and Planning



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Cyber Adaptive Response Architecture



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- Three Phase Automated Defense
 - Behavior-based entitlement provisioning
 - Situationally provisioned defensive posture
 - Rapid response virtual service oriented architecture (SOA)
- Command & Control (C&C)
 - Managed entitlements to information assets
 - Managed network & systems configuration
 - Managed services & applications
 - Enhanced assurance boundary
- HPC Analysis Informed Defense
 - Obfuscation & emulation
 - Data provenance & discovery attributes
 - Proactively defined defensive postures
 - Cyber event correlation & cyber response

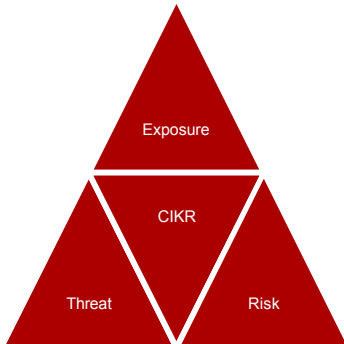


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Threat Evaluation Environment



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- Authorized User Roles & Responsibilities
 - Managed entitlement persona definitions
 - Behavior-based entitlement provisioning
 - Identity credential & access management (ICAM)
- Adversarial Based Threat Analysis
 - Threat case service oriented architecture
 - Level of adversary
 - Level of threat
 - Level of risk & vulnerability
- Predictive & Informatic Analysis
 - Big data HPC analysis informed defense
 - System in the loop
 - Live fire network
 - Managed network defense posture
 - Identification of emerging methods of attack



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Distributed Analysis Cloud Computing

Security System Network

Sensors Cloud

- Cloud/Sensor Network Architecture
 - Integrated sensor networks
 - Distributed sensors
 - Data aggregation & filtering
 - I/O, processing & storage
 - Sensor network control plane
 - Out of band sensor network communications
- Virtualized System, Network, & Security
 - Identification of hostile or rogue nodes
 - Minimize response time
 - Interactive operations
- Hybrid or Custom HPC Analysis
 - Centralized and/or distributed
 - Very large data sets
 - Computationally intensive applications
 - Real & synthetic data aggregation & filtering

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Coordinated Response Framework



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- Cyber Threat Definition Matrix
 - Homeland Security Advisory System Compatibility
- Big Data HPC Analysis
 - Informed Actionable Results
- Baked-In Cyber Security
 - Design Requirement - Concept to Disposition
- Wide Area Consistency
 - Common Schema & Nomenclature
 - Continuity of Operations
- Adoption of State of the Art COTS Technology
 - ICAM/Sensors
 - SOA/OpenStack
 - Cloud/IoT/Mobility
 - Software Defined Networks/IP/NFV/OpenFlow



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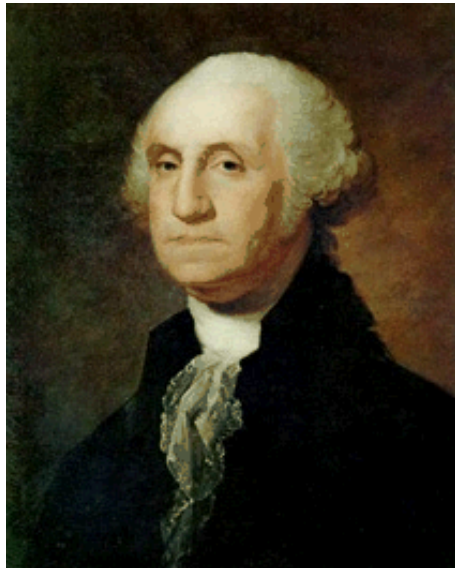
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National Cyber Defense High Performance Computing Analysis

Where Cybersecurity Meets Big Data

Potential Areas for HPC Analysis

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"The time is now near at hand..."
— George Washington, July 2, 1776



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Advocate for a National Cyber Defense HPC Analysis Initiative



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Factors & Personification

Risk Factors	Personification Risk Mitigation
Intrusion via loosely defined access-control	Personification schema & composite index
Changes in Need-To-Share and Need-To-Know policy	Global, local and anonymous security-domain relevance via COI identifiers
Global connectivity and increased mobility of users	Composite location, COI, and associated authorization identifiers
Service oriented architectures	Service type descriptor (web, network quality of service, virtualized, simulated/interactive)
Increased discoverability of centralized information assets	Information asset discoverability descriptors (globally discoverable, fully metadata discoverable, limited metadata discoverable, or exempt from discovery) to be matched with specific global, local, and anonymous COI entitlements
Convergence of multimedia data types (voice, video and data)	Complex-data descriptors to indicate composite data types and/or associated attachment data types
Electronic recording, transmitting and wireless enabled devices	Fixed or mobile device capability descriptors, may include mobility zones (location) and associated authorization/restriction attributes such as time of day or user/group.



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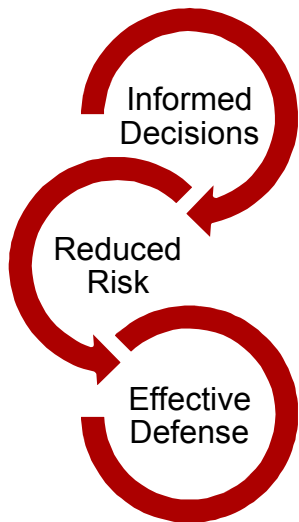


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Threat Characteristics & Quantifiable Objectives



Threat Characteristics

Category	Funding	Goal Intensity	Stealth	Physical Access	Cyber Skills	Implementation Time	Cyber Org Size
I	H	H	H	H	H	Decades/Years	Hundreds
II	H	H	H	M	M	Years	Tens of Tens
III	M	H	M	M	M	Months	Tens
IV	L	M	H	L	H	Months	Tens
V	L	M	M	L	M	Months	Ones
VI	L	L	L	L	L	Weeks	One

National Cyber Defense Quantifiable Objectives

Inform the Decision Maker	Inform the Defender	Minimize Exposure	Reduce the Attack Surface	Effective Defense
Degree of Coordination	Degree of Unity	Degree of Investment	Degree of Resilience	Degree of Commitment



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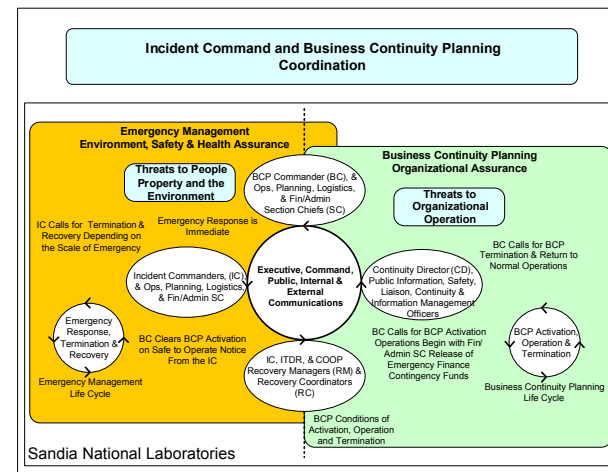
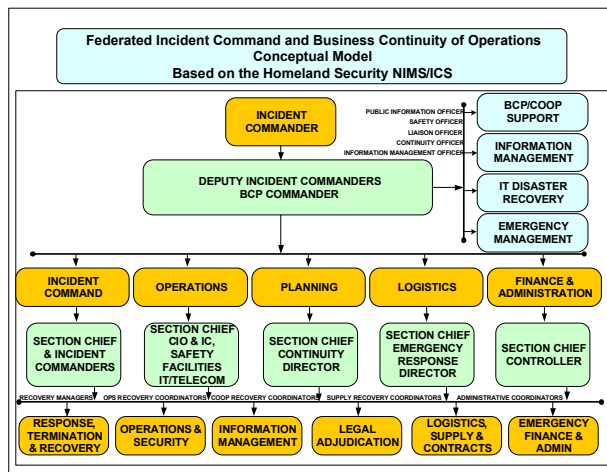
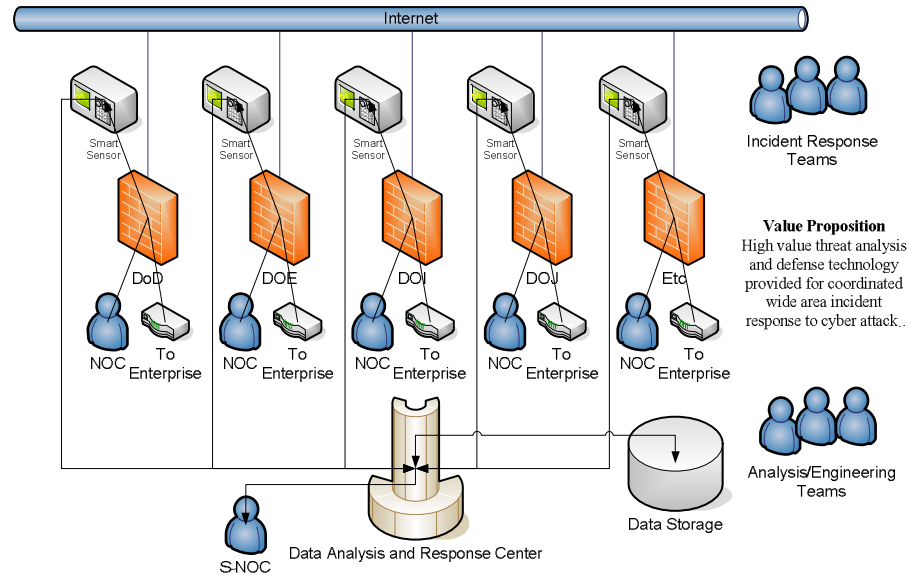
Cyber Threat Levels, Severity Indicators, & Principals

Cyber Threat Levels	Severity Indicators (binary and hex)	
Normal (all clear)	0000	0
Suspicious anomalous activity	0001	1
Suspicious low level malicious activity	0010	2
Suspected coordinated malicious activity	0011	3
Suspected sophisticated malicious activity	0100	4
Confirmed low level malicious activity	0101	5
Confirmed coordinated malicious activity	0110	6
Confirmed sophisticated malicious activity	0111	7
Suspected Cyber attack	1000	8
Suspected multi-point Cyber attack	1001	9
Suspected automated Cyber attack	1010	A
Suspected sophisticated Cyber attack	1011	B
Confirmed Cyber attack	1100	C
Confirmed multi-point Cyber attack	1101	D
Confirmed automated Cyber attack	1110	E
Confirmed sophisticated Cyber attack	1111	F

Principles of Operation:

- *Notice of Intrusion Principle* - intrusion notification data will be characterized using common terms and definitions to keep traffic nominal but high value.
- *Local Accountability Principle* – local response teams will be accountable to assess evidentiary information in support of coordinated analysis, investigation, and recovery from intrusion or attack.
- *Portability Principle* – a standardized format and glossary are used for threat levels and severity.
- *Containment Principle* - local cybersecurity policies take precedence over foreign entitlement assertions.
- *Discoverability Principle* - information assets are implicitly globally discoverable, unless explicitly identified as fully metadata discoverable, limited metadata discoverable, or exempt from discovery.
- *Portability Principle* – a standardized format with associative data dictionary and glossary are used for the personification schema, index, identifiers, and descriptors.

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