Mission Assurance: An Operational Imperative

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Why is Resiliency Important?

Skilled Adversaries

Traditional IA Practices

Computer Architectures

Fiscal Pressures

Critical Missions Fail When Attacked

What is Resiliency and How is it Achieved?

- The ability to provide and maintain an acceptable level of service in the face of faults and challenges to normal operation*
- ts:
  - in
  - be
    - limited, unknown, and possibly unknowable?
  - Includes deterrents to disrupt, confuse and impede adversary

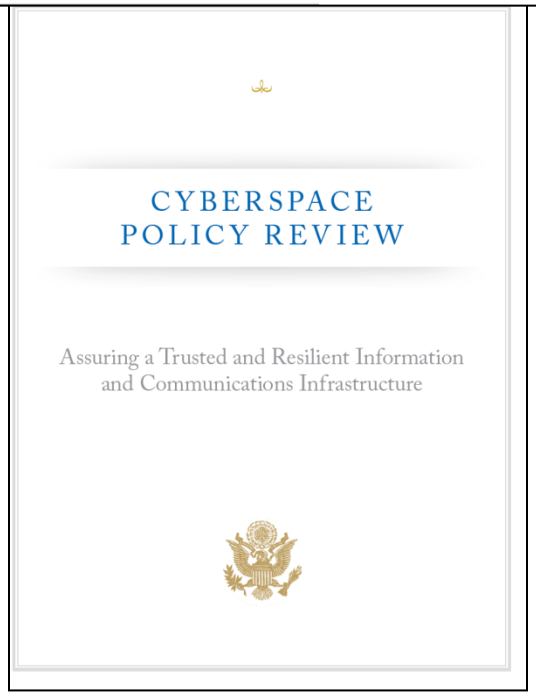
Critical missions complete successfully despite effective cyber attacks against underlying technology

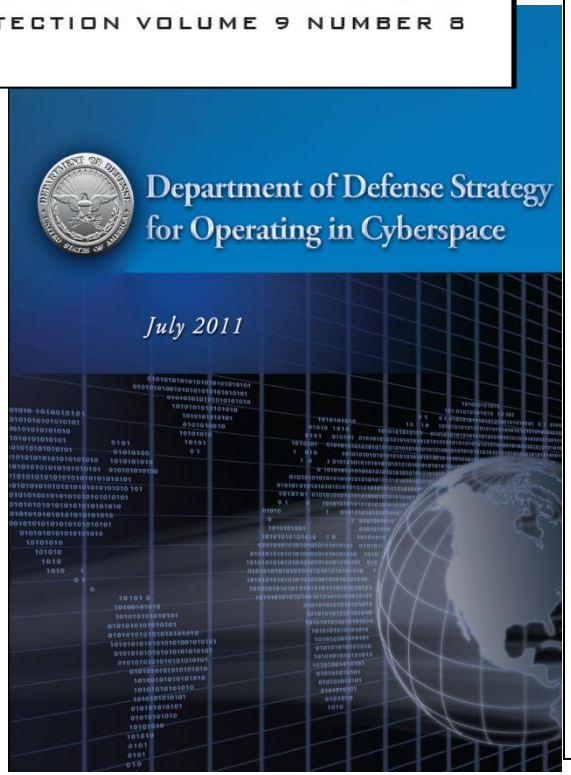
*Sterbenz & Hutchison, "ResiliNets: Multilevel Resilient and Survivable Networking Initiative", University of Kentucky & Lancaster University, http://www.ittc.ku.edu/resilinets/index.html

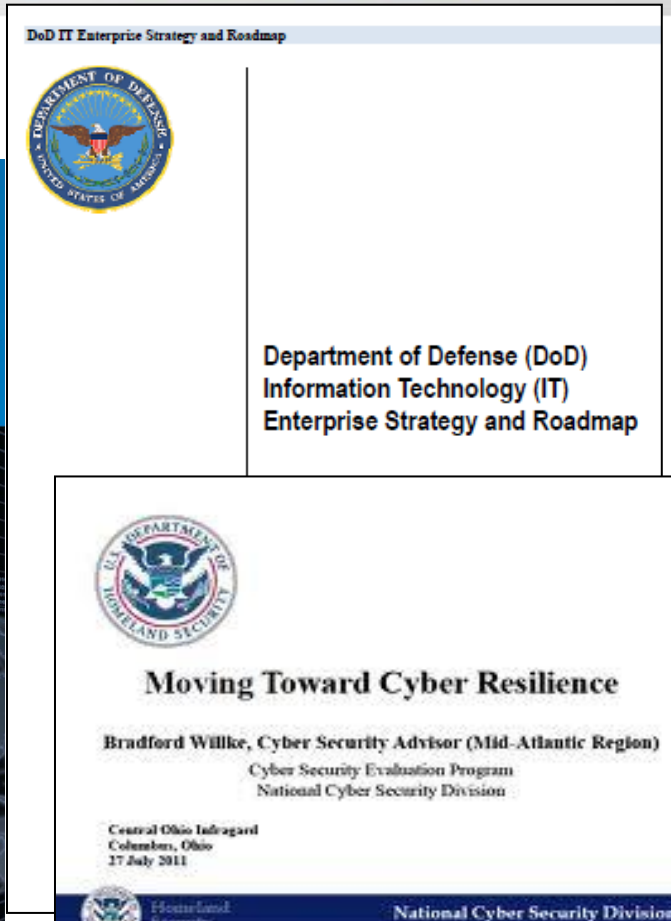
Government Recognition of Resilience

"Defending against these threats to our security, prosperity, and personal privacy requires networks that are secure, trustworthy, and resilient."

- 2010 National Security Strategy







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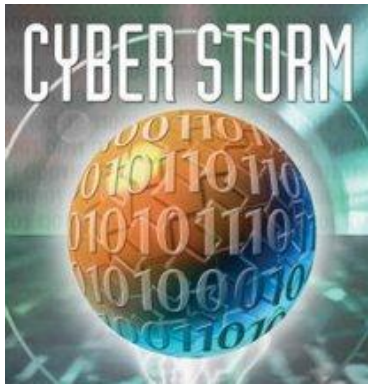

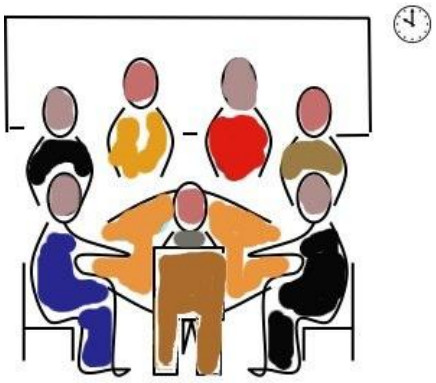

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Secure and Resilient

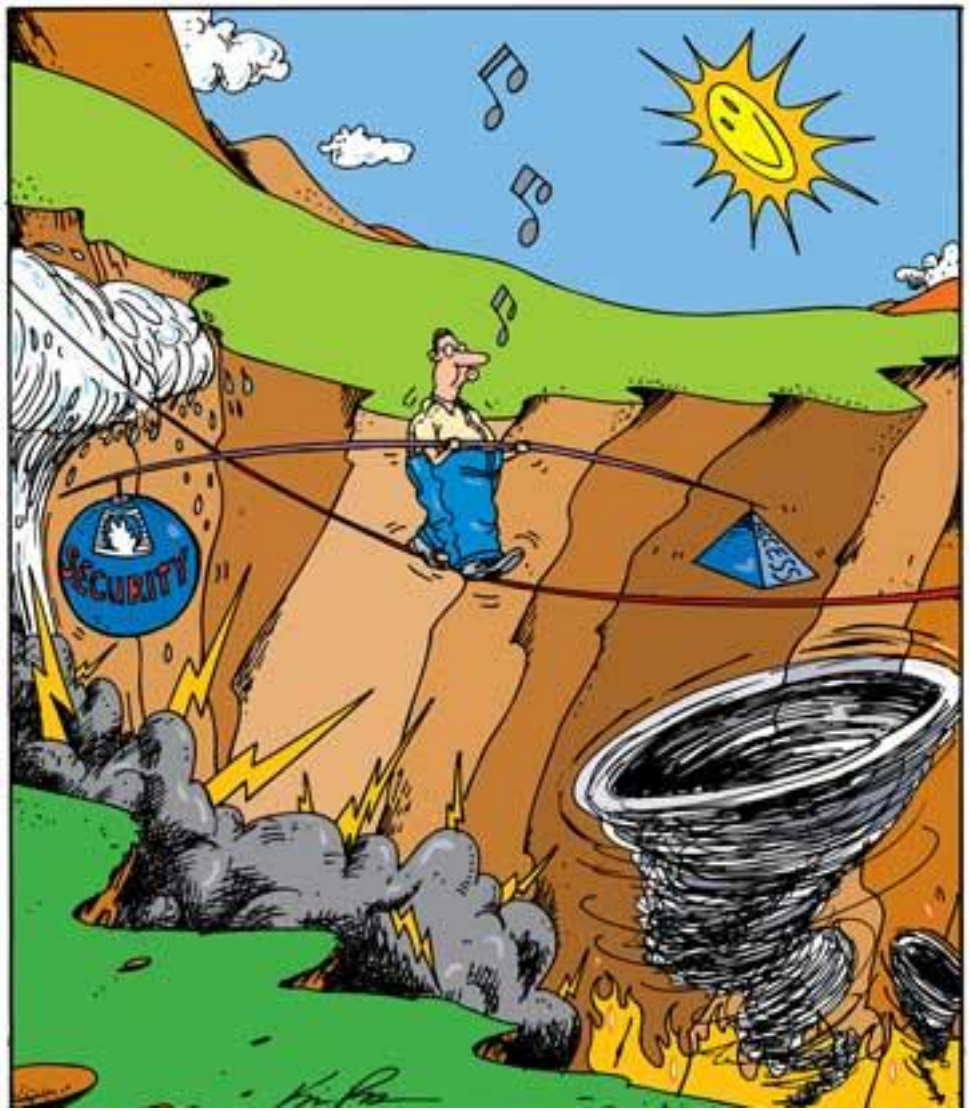
Cyber Architectures Conference

Resiliency | Agility | Assuring Effective Missions

Foundations of Trust

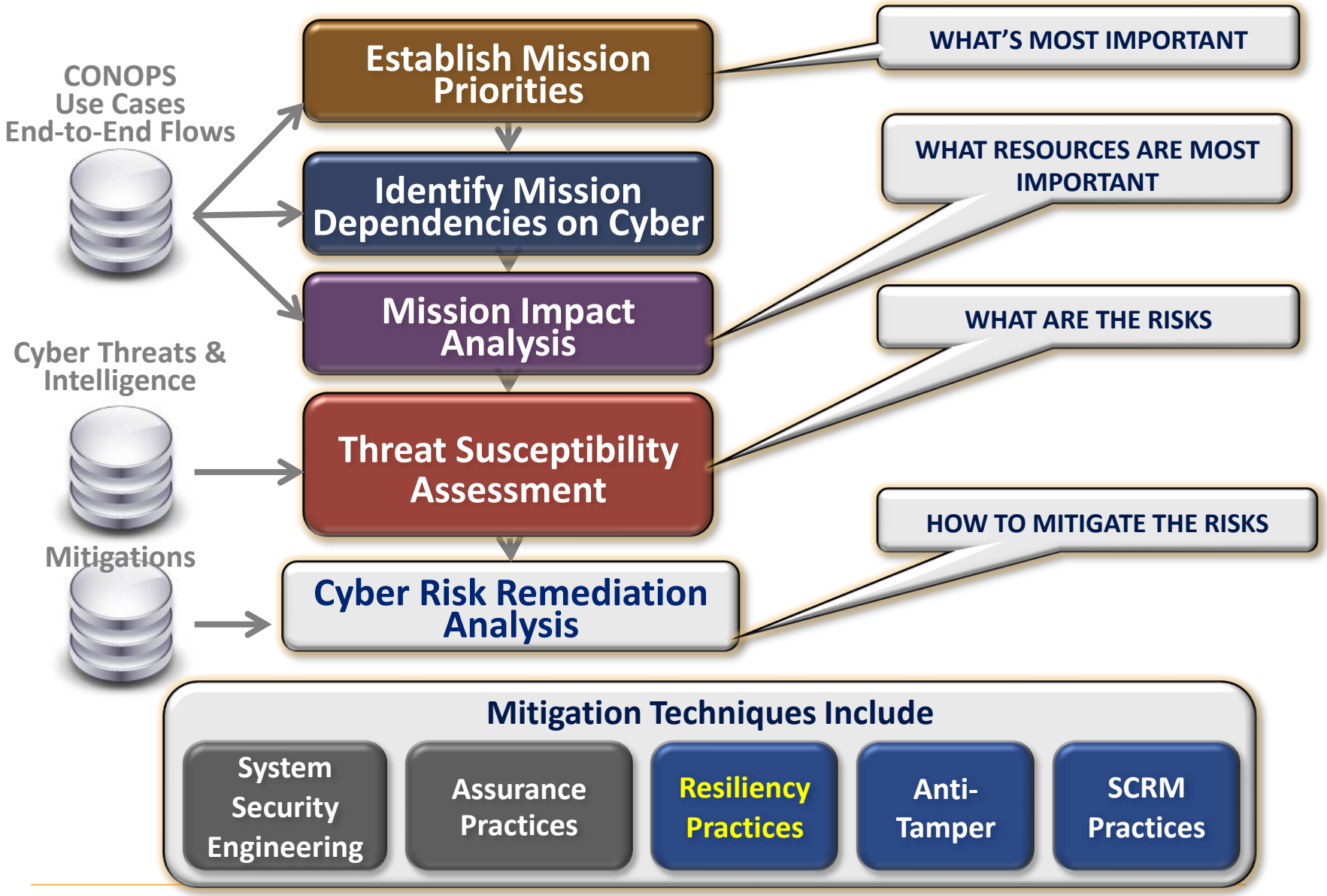
Homeland Security
Science and Technology

Continuity of Critical Ops While Under Attack

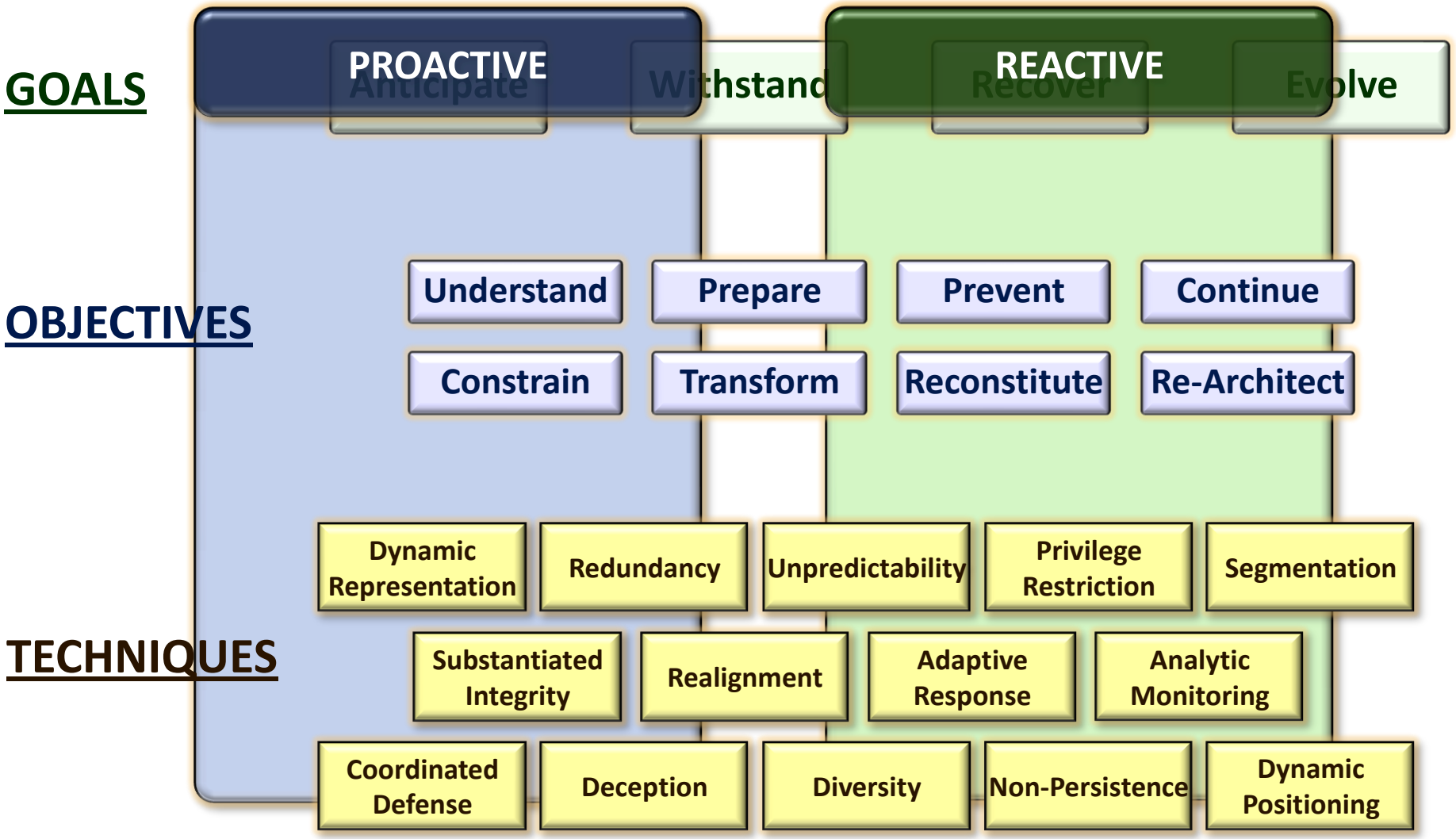


- Failover, capacity, redundancy, COOP, and DR planning
- Configuration management
- Minimal essential priority
- Monitoring and correlation
- Consequence management
  - Gracefully degrade
  - COA Tactics, Techniques, and Procedures (TTPs)
  - Reconfigure
  - Isolate
- Recovery
  - Reconstitute minimal essential functions
  - Assess damage
  - Restore trust

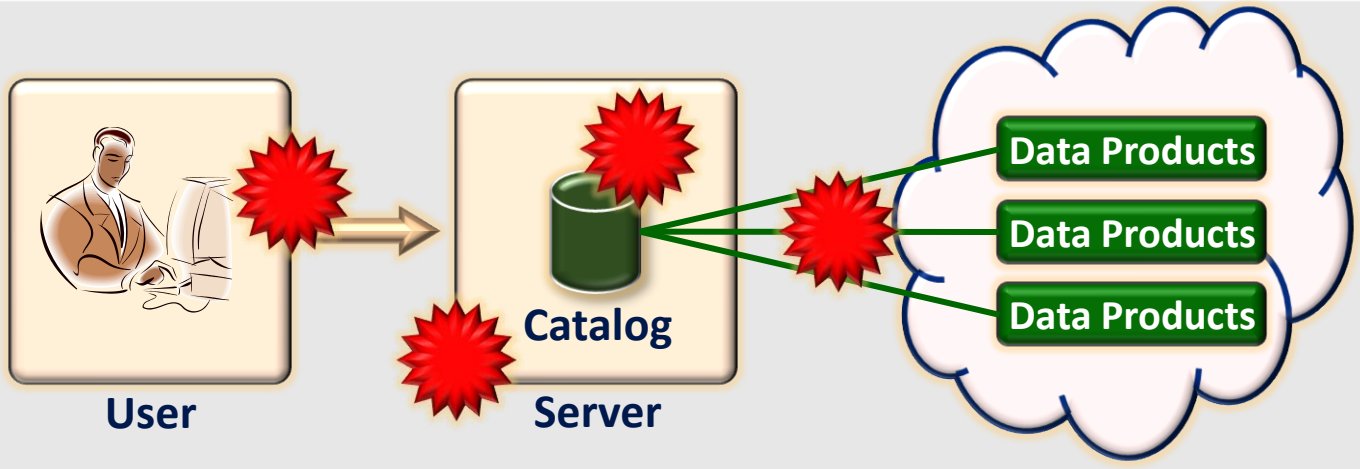
Mission Assurance Engineering Framework



Cyber Resiliency Foundation Elements



Resiliency Framework



Goal	Objective	Technique	Technology	Metric
Withstand	Constrain	Deception	Deception Network	---
		Segmentation	Hardware trusted path	---
		Privilege Restriction	Fine-grained controls	---
Recover	Reconstitute	Redundancy	RIAK	---
			multi-cloud storage	---
	Continue	Substantiated Integrity	Crypto bindings	---

Summary

- **Achieving cyber mission assurance requires we**
  - **Change how we think about cyber threats, security approaches, and trust**
  - **Adopt new risk management and system engineering processes**
  - **Design, build, and integrate mission critical systems for resilience**
  - **Develop agile operations and decision support capabilities**
  - **Measure meaningful metrics**
  - **Define policies and practices to promote resilience**
  - **Collaborate and partner to change the game**

Sun Tzu

"If your enemy is secure at all points, be prepared for him.

If he is in superior strength, evade him.

If your opponent is temperamental, seek to irritate him.

Pretend to be weak, that he may grow arrogant.

If he is taking his ease, give him no rest.

If his forces are united, separate them … appear where you are not expected."

Thank You !

Questions?

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