Resilience and Efficiency Tradeoffs in Interconnected Systems

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Engineered systems are becoming increasingly interconnected





This increased interconnectivity can create major challenges to system operations

How a water treatment plant hack could have affected a Florida town's water

Hackers tried to increase the NaOH levels in a town's municipal drinking water. C&EN unpacks the chemistry implications

by Leigh Krietsch Boerner

February 12, 2021

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A number of terms are often conflated when discussing how to protect critical infrastructure systems.

Definitions by Oxford Dictionary

- Risk -- "a situation involving exposure to danger [threat]." Security -- "the state of being free from danger or threat."
- Reliability -- "the quality of performing consistently well."

Resilience -- "the capacity to recover quickly from difficulties."





Calls for Resilience

The White House

Office of the Press Secretary

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October 31, 2013

Presidential Proclamation -- Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience Month, 2013

CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE SECURITY AND RESILIENCE MONTH, 2013

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

"Resilience" means the ability to anticipate, prepare for, and *adapt* to changing conditions and *withstand*, *respond to*, and *recover* rapidly from disruptions.

The White House

Over the last few decades, our Nation has grown increasingly dependent on critical infrastructure, the Office of the Press Secretary our national and economic security. America's critical infrastructure is complex and diverse, combini

both cyberspace and the physical world – from power plants, bridges, and interstates to Federal bui For Immediate Release massive electrical grids that power our Nation. During Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience

resolve to remain vigilant against foreign and domestic threats, and work together to further secure systems, and networks.

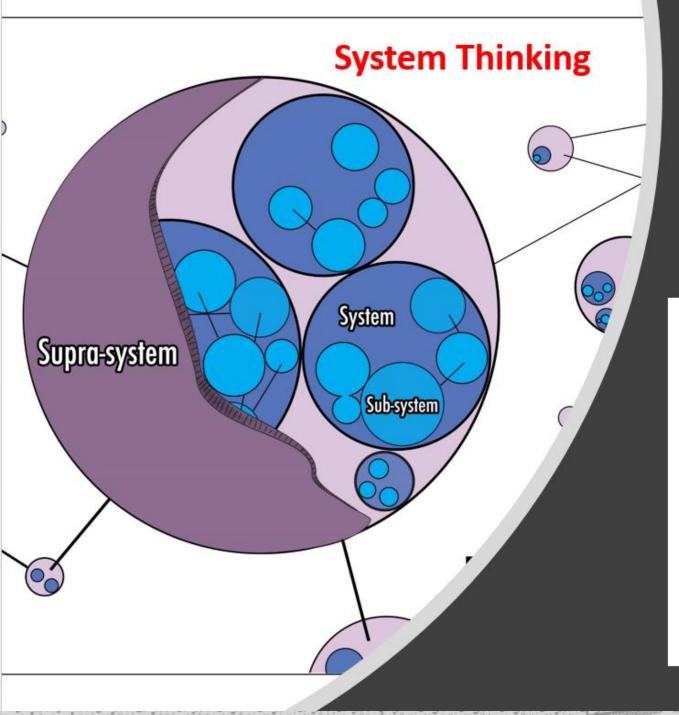
 (vi) Effective immediately, it is the policy of the executive branch to build and maintain a modern, secure, and more resilient executive branch IT architecture. Presidential Executive Order on Strengthening the Cybersecurity of Federal Networks and Critical Infrastructure



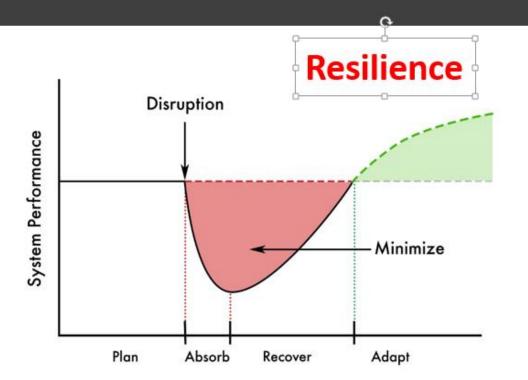
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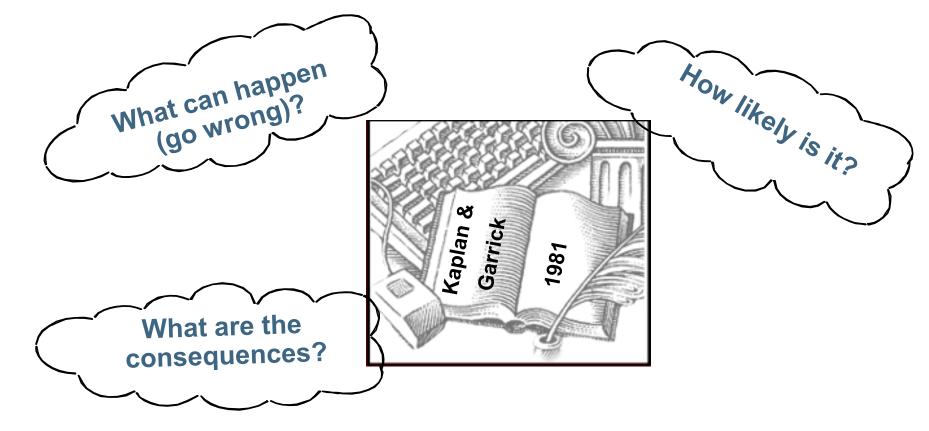
What Makes Complex Systems (Communities) Susceptible to Threat?



After Linkov and Trump, 2019

Science of Risk

Risk = Threat x Vulnerability x Consequence



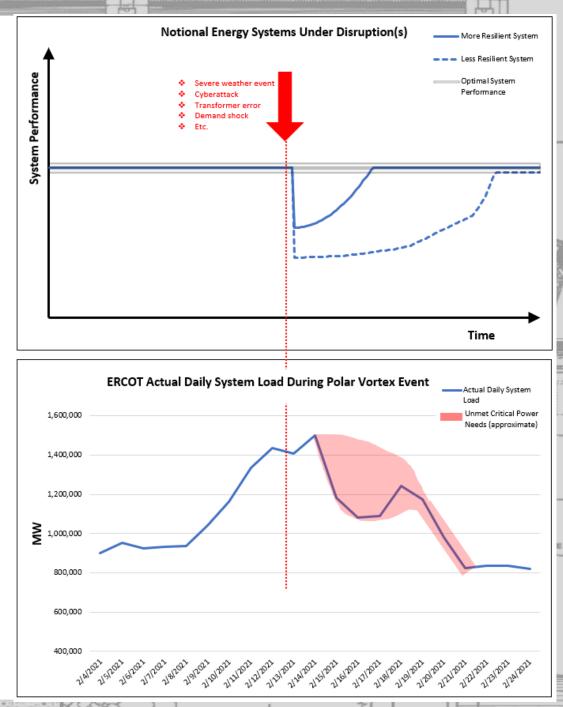




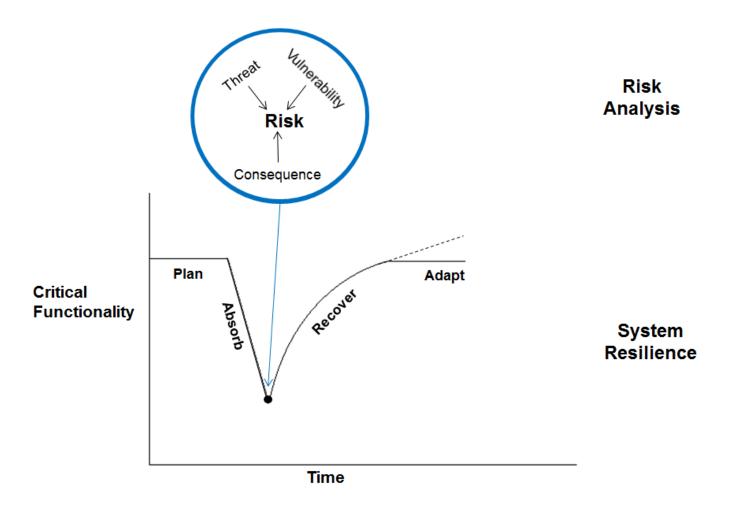
CASCADING IMPACTS OF COMPLEX INTERCONNECTED SYSTEMS REQUIRE RESILIENCE-THINKING

Example of Texas Polar Vortex:

- Electric demand shock
- Decreased capacity from lack of winterization and supply of natural gas
- ERCOT forced to operate under emergency conditions until Feb. 19th, at which point 34,000 MW remained on forced outage
- How should proactive resilience corrective actions and network design be implemented?
 - How should the cyber-physical energy system be accounted for in resilience implementation?



System Risk/Security and Resilience



After Linkov et al, Nature Climate Change 2014





Cascading impacts of failures in other sectors, like energy, can cause other sectors to fail as well.

Millions of gallons have leaked from burst water pipes in just one Texas city: 'That is an incredible amount of water'

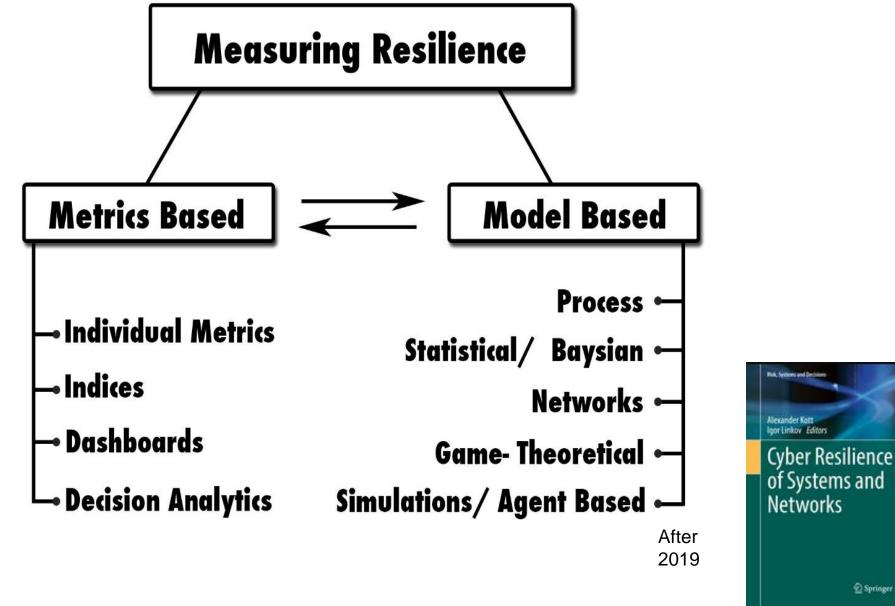










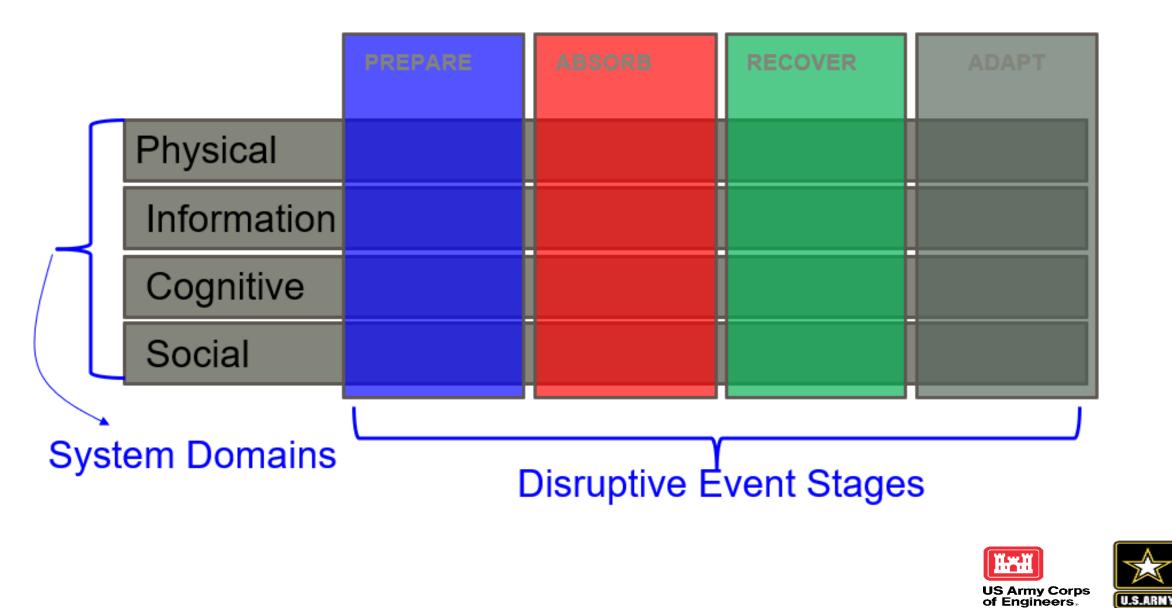


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Resilience Matrix



Our group has applied this matrix to smart water systems in the pasts.



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Resilience for Smart Water Systems

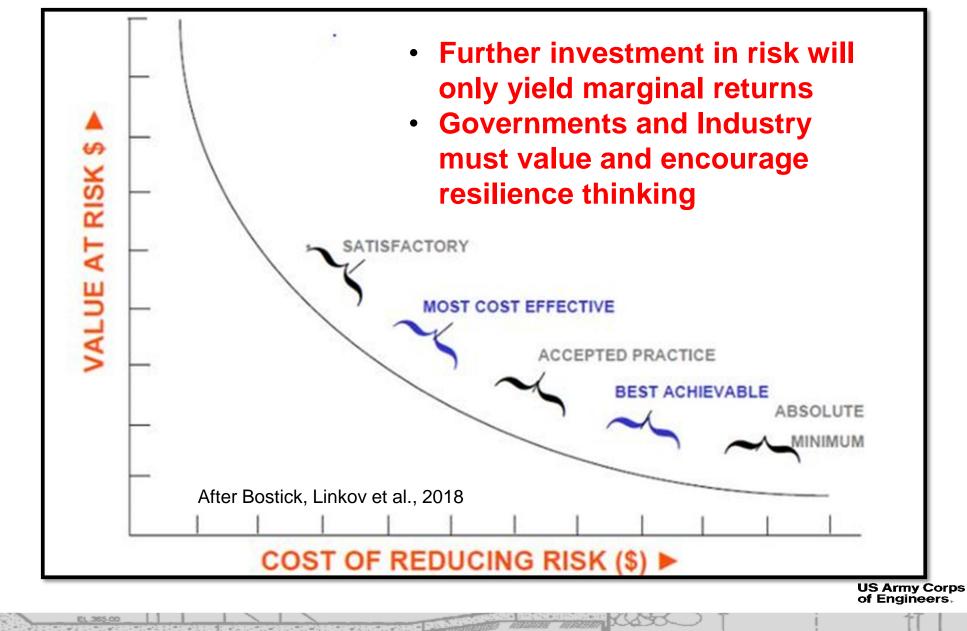
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Domain	Prepare	Absorb	Recover	Adapt
Physical	Reduce water demand	Utilize neighboring utilities for water resources	Implement flexible, temporary systems	Replace obsolete and damaged assets
	Build redundant piping structures ^a Perform preventative maintenance ^b	Manually trigger safeguards to isolate and contain damage to specific components	Stockpile machinery, communications, and power systems	
Information	Evaluate resources with risk framework in American Water Works Association (AWWA) standards ^c Utilize information sharing frameworks (e.g., WaterISAC ^c)	Restrict dissemination of critical facility information ^d	Make historical information regarding customer needs and status available to emergency crews	Evaluate incident point of entry, event process, vulnerabilities, and impacts
	Implement cross-sector vulnerability assessment ^b Determine water requirements using normal-state system capabilities and population information			
Cognitive	Identify gaps between projected needs and available resources Develop emergency response plans using tools, such as EPA Road to Resilience Toolkit ^d	Adhere to the incident command system (ICS) model for clear lines of control and accountability ^a	Prioritize restoration of critical support services with cross-sector decision makers ³	Utilize a compendium of lessons learned, best practices, expert knowledge, and tools in after- action analyses ^d
	Simulate catastrophic events across large geographic regions ^d			Assess performance after low probability, high impact events (e.g., Hurricane Sandy)
Social	Develop connections with other local utility personnel, information, and resources ^b	Ensure relevant personnel and resources are available, requesting support if needed ^a	Implement protocols for internal, external, and public/media communication of recovery procedures	Distribute after-action reports with lessons learned and input from various stakeholders and authorities to consumers
	Implement education campaigns for citizens on the community water demand relative to system capacity and environmental or economic thresholds	Enforce individual resilience efforts during disturbances ^a	ice rely procedures	Incentivize community members to implement more resilient systems



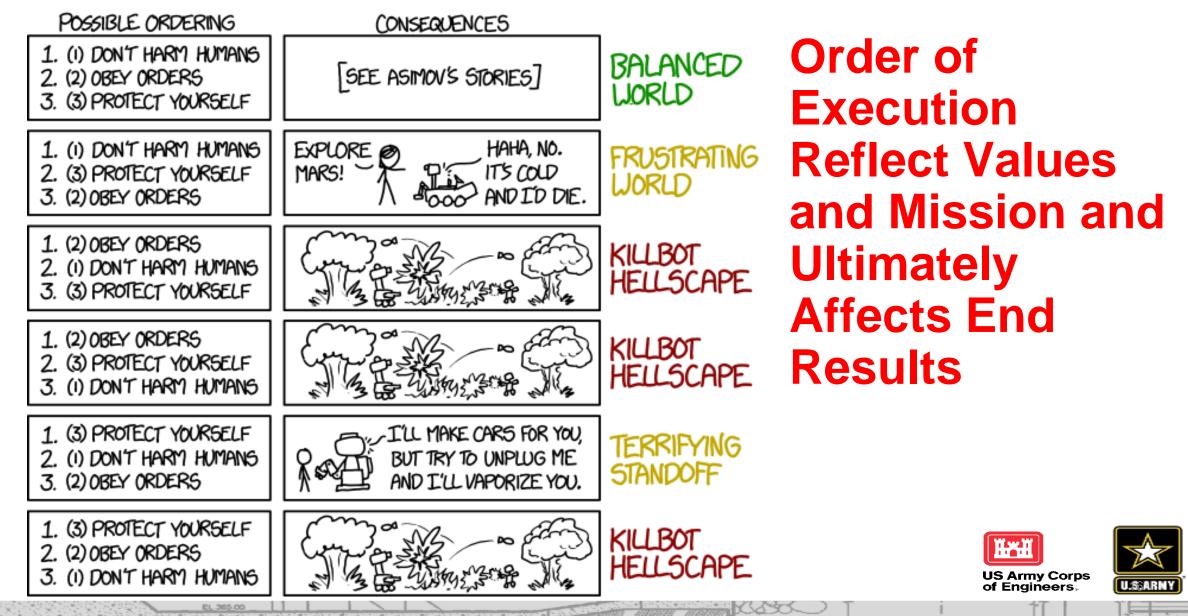


Cost of Buying Down Risk and Resilience





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Assessment using Stakeholder Values

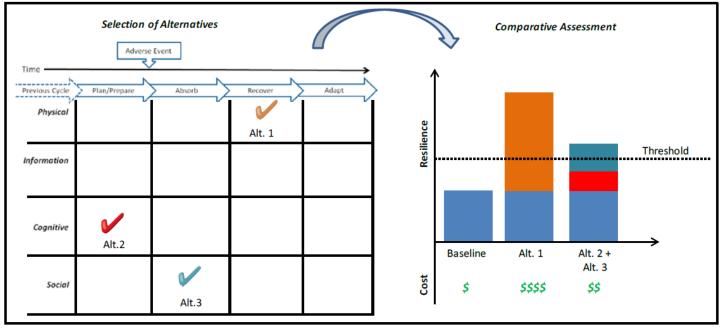


Figure 5: Comparative Assessment of Resilience-Enhancing Alternatives

Use developed resilience metrics to comparatively assess the costs and benefits of different courses of action

After Fox-Lent et al., 2015





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Poor Efficiency:

System cannot not accommodate a large volume of commuters driving at the same time.

Traffic congestions are predictable and are typically of moderate level.





Lack of Resilience:

System cannot recover from adverse events (car accidents, natural disasters)

Traffic disruptions are not predictable and of variable scale.





We can model systems through networkbased resilience theory

System's *critical functionality* (*K*)

Network topology: nodes (\mathcal{N}) and links (\mathcal{L})

Network *adaptive algorithms* (*C*) defining how nodes' (links') properties and parameters change with time

A set of possible damages stakeholders want the network to be resilient against (E)

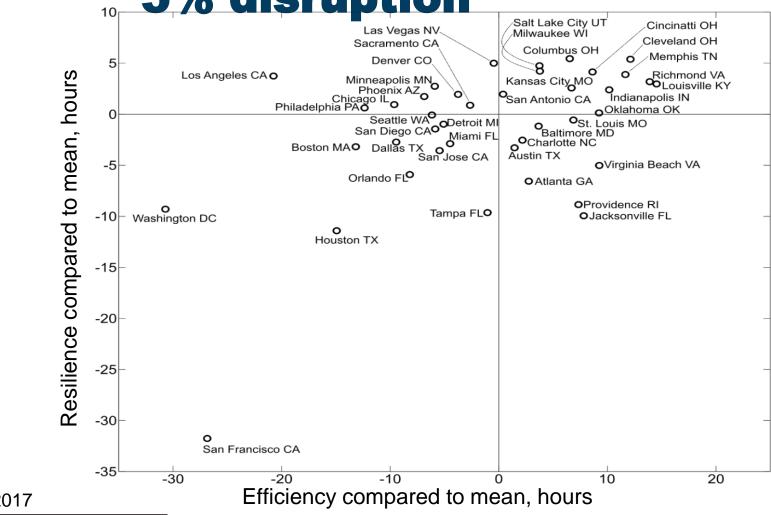
 $R = f(\mathcal{N}, \mathcal{L}, \mathcal{C}, \mathbf{E})$





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Resilience vs Efficiency at 5% disruption



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Resilience and efficiency in transportation networks

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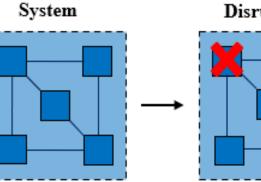
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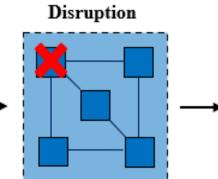


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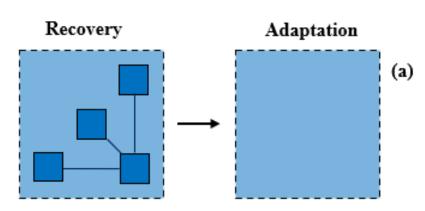
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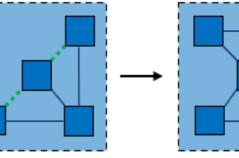
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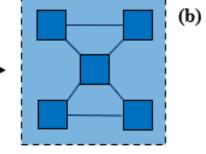




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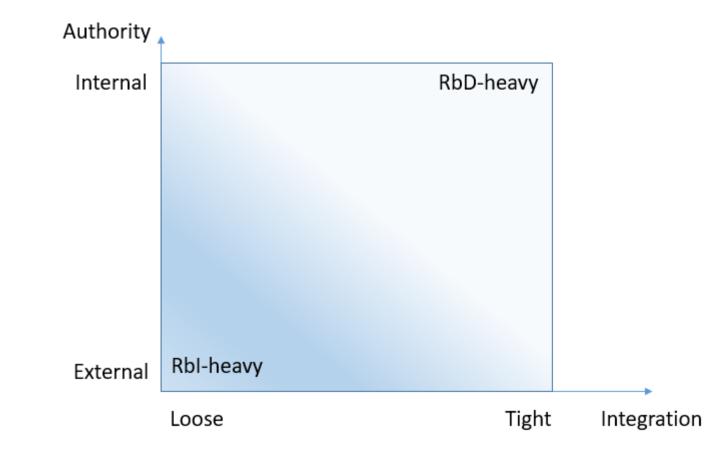


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Resilience by Design and by Intervention for Cyber Systems

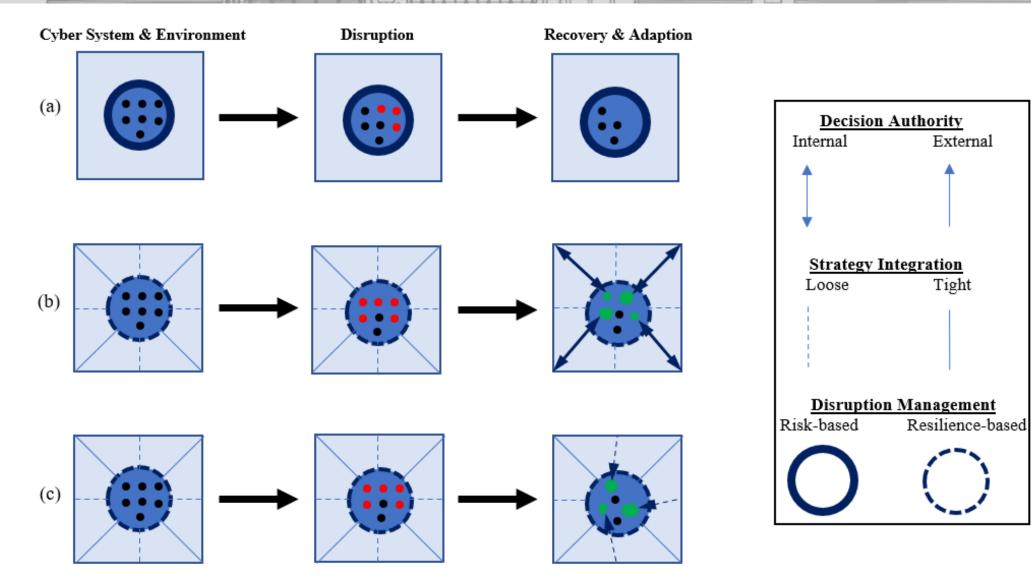


A cybersystem's reaction to a disruption favors resilienceby-design (RbD) if the corrective actions are tightly integrated and internally governed; whereas a cyber system's reaction to a disruption favors resilienceby-intervention (RbI) if the corrective actions are loosely integrated and externally governed. Resilience analytics drives the implementation degrees of RbI and RbD.





After Kott, Linkov et al (2021, in press)



Notional cyber systems undergoing threat scenarios illustrating (a) cybersecurity approach that hardens certain system features to reduce anticipated disruption impacts, (b) resilience-by-design (RbD) system recovering and adapting post-disruption through internal authority and tight integration with the corrective actions, and (c) resilience-by-intervention (RbI) system recovering and adapting through external authority and loose integration with the corrective actions. Note that provisions for both RbD and RbI are found in the systems implementing resiliencebased disruption management, but is not a requirement.

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Three Implementation Strategy Examples of RBI and RBD for Cyber-Dependent Water Systems

1. <u>Resilience-by-intervention (RbI):</u>

The water systems operators have contracts with third-party cybersecurity and recovery plans

2. <u>Hybrid:</u> Resilience-by-design (RbD) and Resilience-by-intervention (RbI) The water system operators have built-in monitoring and response capabilities, but maintain a third-party provider for black swan events

3. Resilience-by-design:

Water system operators and end-users share onus for maintaining and implementing continuous monitoring, response, recovery and adaptation





Comparison of risk management approaches RbD and RbI for complex systems

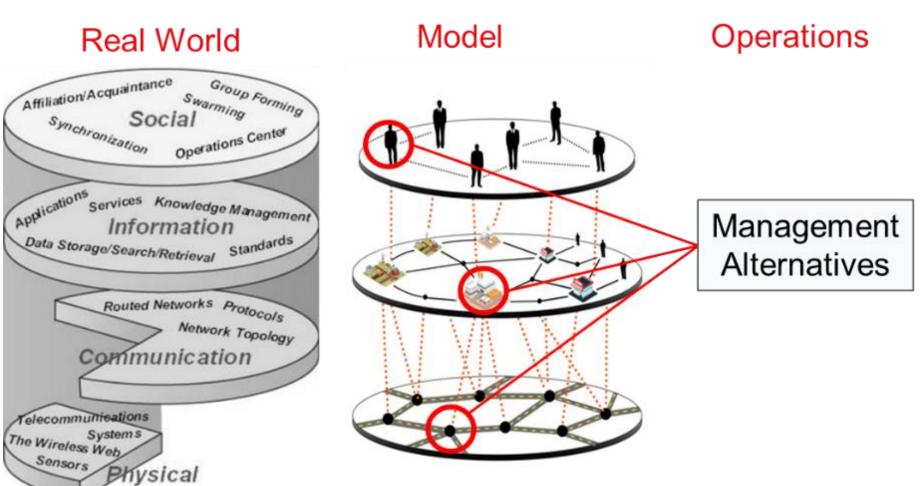
	Risk management	Resilience-by-design	Resilience-by-intervention
Objective	Harden individual components	Design components to be self-	Rectify disruption to
		reorganizable	components and stimulate
			recovery by external actors
Capability	Predictable disruptions, acting	Either known/predictable or	Failure in context of societal
	primarily from outside the	unknown disruptions, acting at	needs, may be constellation of
	system components	a component or system level	networks across systems
Consequence	Vulnerable nodes and/or links	Degradation of critical	Degradation of critical societal
	fail as result of threat	functions in time and capacity	function due to cascading
		to achieve system's function	failure in interconnected
			networks.
Actor	Either internal or external to the	Internal to the system	External to the system
	system		
Corrective Action	Either loosely or tightly	Tightly integrated with the	Loosely integrated with the
	integrated with the system	system	system
Stages/Analytics	Prepare and absorb	Recover, and adapt (explicitly	Prepare, absorb, recover, and
	(risk is product of threat,	modeled as time to recover	adapt (explicitly modeled as
	vulnerability and consequences	system function and the ability	ability to recover and secure
	and is time independent)	to change system configuration	critical societal function and
		in response to threats)	needs through constellation of
			relevant systems)





After Kott, A. et al. 2021

Vision for System Resilience



Thank you!

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