

Hazard Analysis of IT Systems

Towards a joint technical language with regard to „safety & security hazards“

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1. Introduction

General Workshop Mission:

Enable discussion on a joint technical language (nomenclature, terminology) for the research area of dependable IT systems

- **Safety**
 - **failure → robustness (fault tolerance, redundancy)**
 - **availability of system (functions)**
 - **aspects of system design and usability**
- **Security**
 - **attack -> „patchability“ (protection, recovery)**
 - **availability of system (functions)**
 - **aspects of system design and usability**



2. Safety & Security Hazards (1)

What is a failure ?

Failure is the nonperformance or inability of the system or component to perform its intended function for a specified time under specified environmental conditions.

- **Type 1:**
intended, designed and constructed behavior does not satisfy the system goal (systemic failure)
- **Type 2:**
operation does not follow the original design (e.g. caused by environmental disturbances)

[Leveson 95]



2. Safety & Security Hazards (2)

What is an attack [against security]?

Any (intended) activities against systems' security properties like

- ***integrity (e.g. man in the middle)***
- ***authenticity (e.g. spoofing)***
- ***confidentiality (e.g. sniffing)***
- ***availability (e.g. denial of service)***
- ***...***



2. Safety & Security Hazards (3)

What is a [safety] hazard ?

A hazard is a state or set of conditions of a system (or an object) that, together with other conditions in the environment of the system (or object), will lead inevitably to an accident (loss event).

[Leveson 95]

- ***Successful attacks against e.g. the availability lead to failures which can lead to loss events but not accidentally.***

=> What is a security hazard ?

=> What is a „safety & security hazard“ ?

} Defs TODO



2. Safety & Security Hazards (4)

Assumption:

Failures and attacks are elements of a defined set of „safety & security hazards“.

Statement #1: „A hazard can result in a hazard.“

a) An attack can result in a failure.

- ***intended malfunction***
- ***destruction***

b) A failure can result in an attack.

- ***exploit***



2. Safety & Security Hazards (5)

c) A failure can result in an attack which can result in a failure ...

- **chain of hazards**
- **mass mailing malware**
- **(d)dos**

d) A failure can result in a failure.

- **fault intolerance**
- **accident**

e) An attack can result in an attack.

- **intrusion response**



2. Safety & Security Hazards (6)

Statement #2: „A hazard needs not to be known.“

a) A failure needs not to be known.

- **failure types 1 and 2**

b) An attack needs not to be known.

- **intrusion detection systems (using heuristics)**
- **firewalls**



2. Safety & Security Hazards (7)

Statement #3: *„A hazard analysis can help to detect hazards.“*

a) A failure analysis can help to detect failures.

- ***different types of safety hazard analysis:***

- ***Preliminary Hazard Analysis (PHA)***
- ***System Hazard Analysis (SHA)***
- ***Subsystem Hazard Analysis (SSHA)***
- ***Software Hazard Analysis (SHA)***
- ***Operating Hazard Analysis (OHA)***
- ***Maintenance Hazard Analysis (MHA)***
- ***Fault Hazard Analysis (FHA)***
- ***...***



2. Safety & Security Hazards (8)

- ***different types of safety hazard analysis techniques:***
 - ***Fault Tree Analysis (FTA)***
 - ***Cause Consequence Analysis (CCA)***
 - ***Management Oversight and Risk Tree Analysis (MORT)***
 - ***Event Tree Analysis (ETA)***
 - ***Hazards and Operability Analysis (HOA)***
 - ***Interface Analysis (IA)***
 - ***Failure Mode and Effects Analysis (FMEA)***
 - ***Failure Modes, Effects, and Criticality Analysis (FMECA)***
 - ***Fault Hazard Analysis (FHA)***
 - ***State Machine Hazard Analysis (SMHA)***
 - ***Task and Human Error Analysis (THEA)***
 - ***...***



2. Safety & Security Hazards (9)

b) An attack analysis can help to detect attacks.

- ***chosen categories of attack damages:***
 - ***attacker receives information about target***
 - ***access to network resources***
 - ***access to local resources***
 - ***loss of availability***
 - ***loss of data integrity during transmission***
 - ***loss of data confidentiality during transmission***
 - ***loss of local data integrity***
 - ***loss of local data confidentiality***
 - ***loss of authenticity***
 - ***denial of service***

[Schnell et al 01]



2. Safety & Security Hazards (10a)

- ***Types of attacks and attack levels:***
 - ***passive***
 - ***sniffing***
 - ***active***
 - ***disconnection***
 - ***modification***
 - ***falsification***
 - ***attack levels (network/local)***
 - ***low***
 - ***medium***
 - ***high***

[Schnell et al 01]



2. Safety & Security Hazards (10b)

- ***Examples for network attack levels (network):***
 - ***low***
 - ***spoofing, wrong IP parameters,***
 - ***(syn) flooding/attacks,***
 - ***ping of death, tunneling, ...***
 - ***medium***
 - ***DNS attacks/spoofing,***
 - ***FTP port number guessing and connection, ...***
 - ***high***
 - ***mail spoofing,***
 - ***distributed/coordinated attacks,***
 - ***applications, ...***

[Schnell et al 01]



2. Safety & Security Hazards (11)

c) A failure analysis can help to detect attacks.

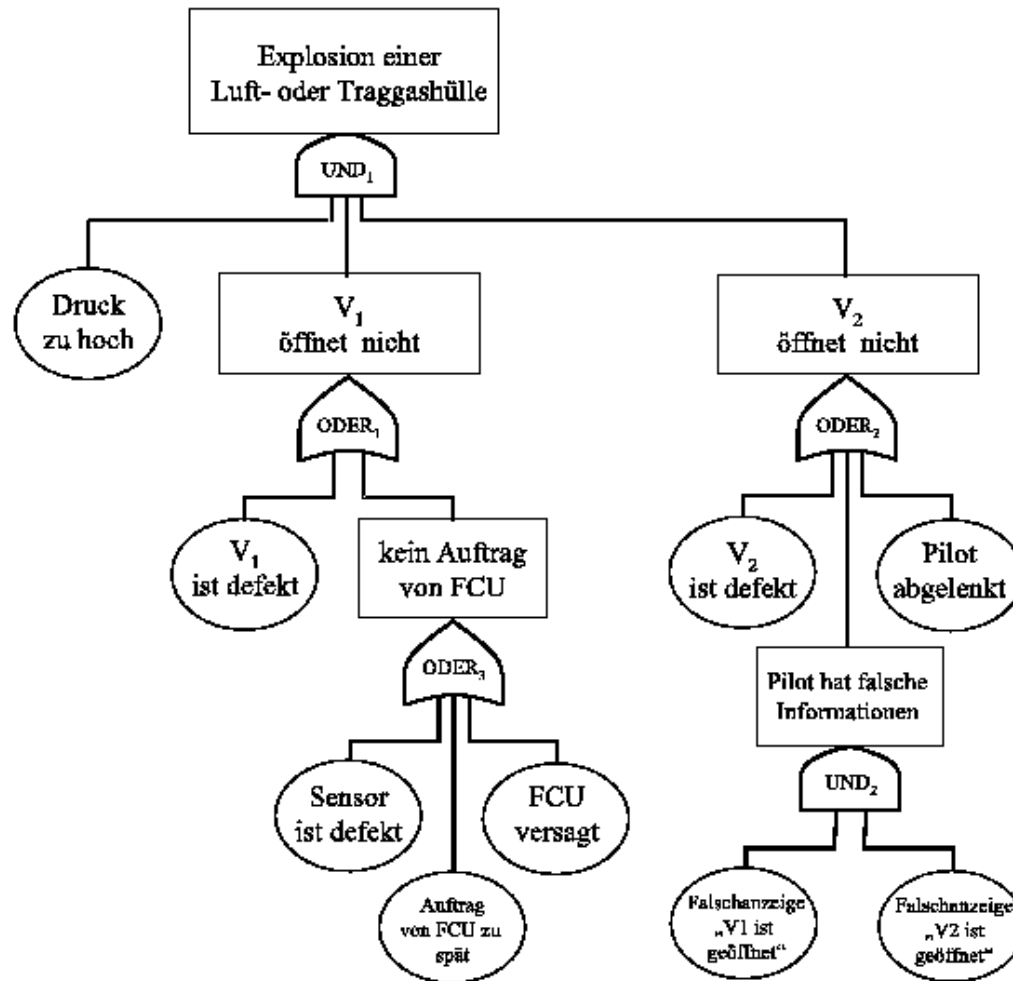
- ***combination of a) and b)***

d) An attack analysis can help to detect failures.

- ***combination of a) and b)***

3. Safety & Security Hazard Analysis Techniques (1)

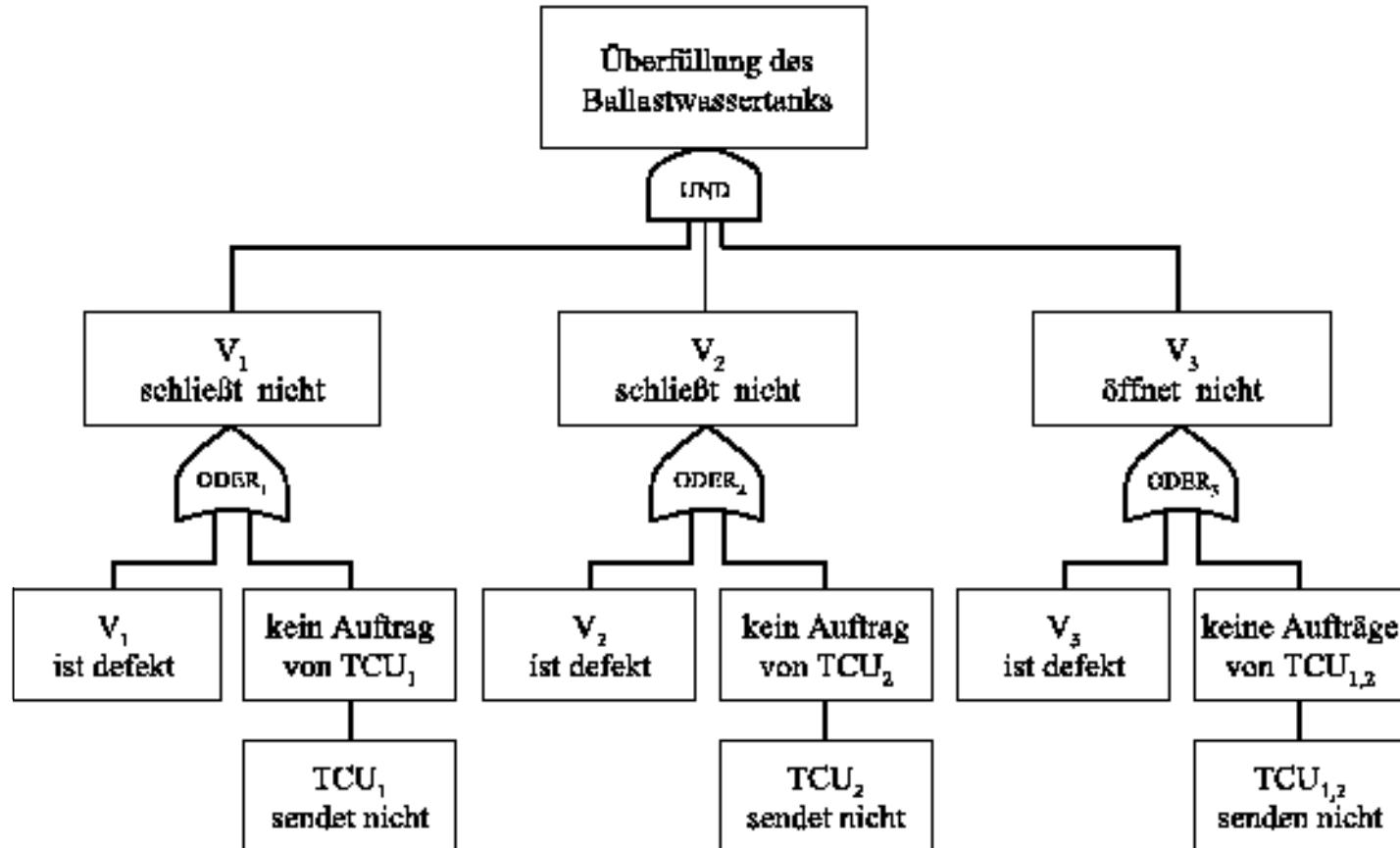
- Example #1: Fault Tree Analysis (FTA)**



FCU = Flight Control Unit

3. Safety & Security Hazard Analysis Techniques (2)

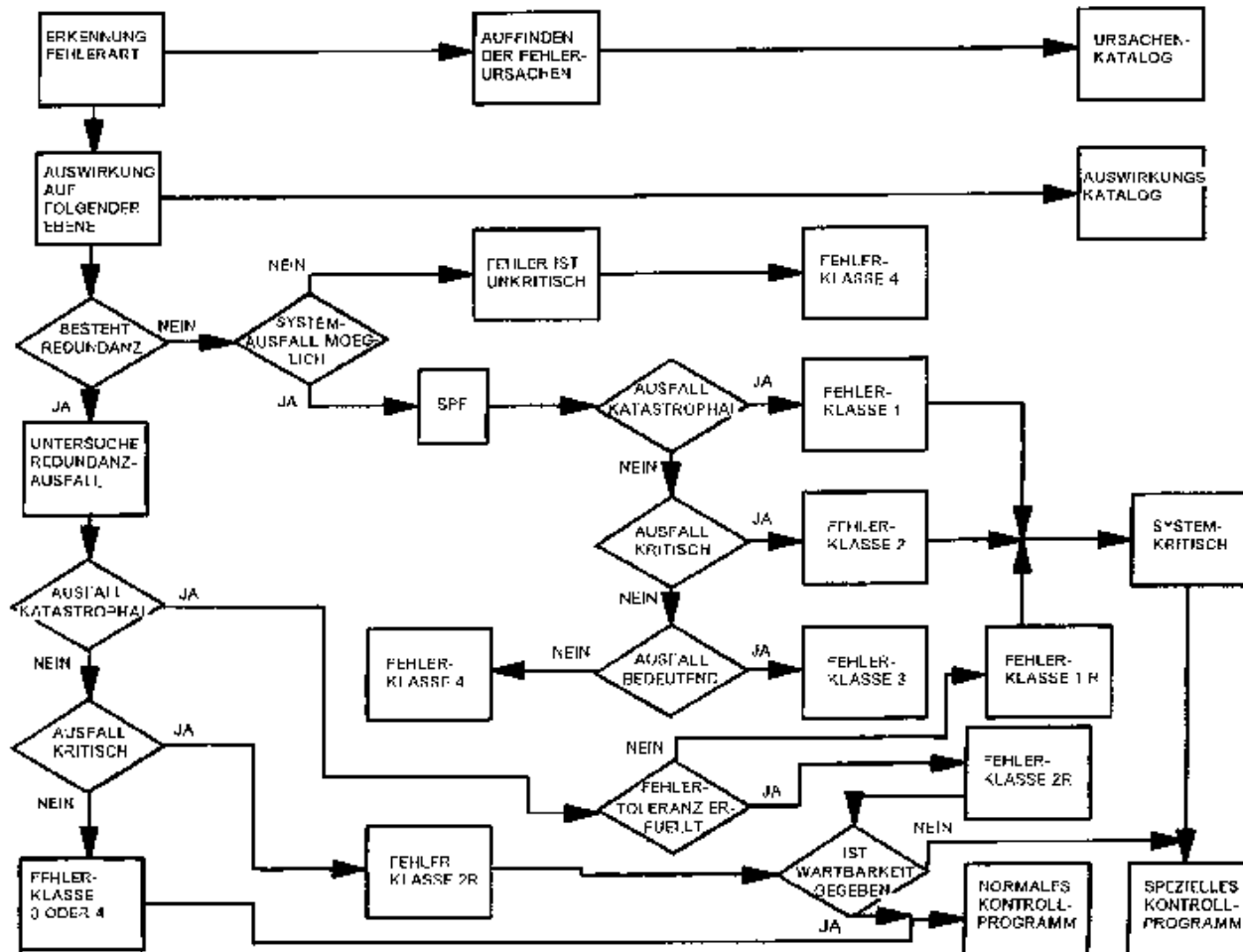
- Example #2: Fault Tree Analysis (FTA)**



TCU = Trim Control Unit

3. Safety & Security Hazard Analysis Techniques (3)

- Example #3: Failure Modes, Effects, and Criticality Analysis (FMECA)**





3. Safety & Security Hazard Analysis Techniques (4)

- **More possible single/joint hazard analysis techniques:**
 - **Attack Tree Analysis (ATA)**
 - **Attack Modes, Effect, and Criticality Analysis (AMECA)**
 - **Fault/Attack Tree Analysis (F/ATA)**
 - **Failure/Attack Modes Effect, and Criticality Analysis (F/AMECA)**



4. Summary and Conclusions

In this talk the idea of extended safety hazards to

- **safety & security hazards**

has been presented.

Classical hazard analysis techniques could be adapted for the usage within special aspects of security risk analysis, e.g.

- **Fault/Attack Tree Analysis (F/ATA)**
- **Failure/Attack Modes, Effects and Criticality Analysis (F/AMECA)**

A joint nomenclature could be partially derived from the usage of similar methods and techniques for hazard analysis.