









### On Resilient Computing

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- I. Social Infrastructures and ICT
- II. Adaptation and Interdependencies
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# Resilience and ICT

- Persistence of dependability when facing changes (Laprie, 2008)
- Ability of an ICT system to provide and maintain an acceptable level of service in the face of various faults and challenges to normal operation (Sterbenz et al., 2010)
- An affected resilient ICT system delivers at least correct critical services in a hostile environment (brittle) (Hollnagel et al., 2006)



Own illustration following (Sheffi, 2005; Günther et al., 2007; McNanus, 2009)

## II. Adaptation and Interdependencies



## Covert Channels

#### **Non-malicious interference** Malicious interferences Sensor Actuator Sensor Actuator Actuator Sensor r\* d r d Service A Service A Service A d d I Shared Shared Shared service C service Q service C Attacking Attacking Service B service B service B Case (a) - Passive attack Case (b) - Active attack Case (c) - Non-availability $d, d^*$ : Input data for a data processing $r, r^*$ : Result of a data processing Shared used service

Automatic detection of all cover channels is impossible (Wang and Ju, 2006)

Covert channels may be unknown and lead to a failure

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Fault isolation

# III. Isolation Mechanisms



## Consensus and Adaptation

**Objective: Majority on correct data (sensor data, computation result)** 



#### **Consensus protocols and malicious faults:**

- Asynchronous communication: Consensus not possible if one process fails
- Synchronous communication:
  - Tolerates t < n/3 faulty processes, with authenticated messages: t < n

#### • But: Bears risk of failure due to non-availability of data

Cachin et al. 2011





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**Preliminary work:** DREISAM (Delegation of Rights) & DETECTIVE (Data Provenance)