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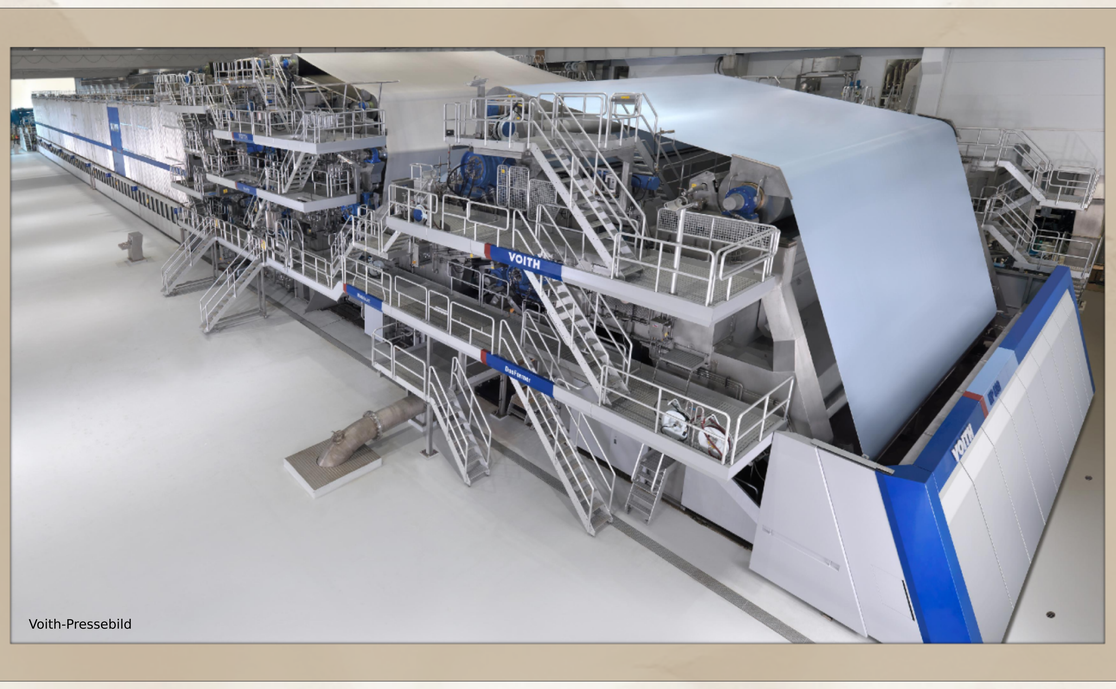
Problem Environment



Industrial Automation Networks

A trend towards **Ethernet-based** automation networks can be observed!

- more and more subsystems share the **same network medium**
- the probability of **unwanted influences** between subsystems rises
- an **Internet connection** is often available
- the network is vulnerable to threats like **intrusion, malware, etc.**

Aim of the Thesis

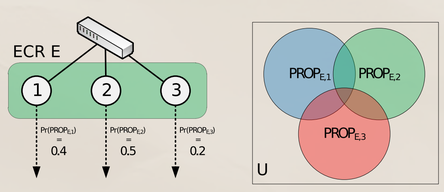
Improvement of **Dependability** and **Security** of industrial automation networks!

Theory

Error — **Unintended state** of the automation network, caused by one or more faulty hosts that pollute the network with **unwanted traffic** (e.g. flooding attack).

Error Propagation Probability (EPP)

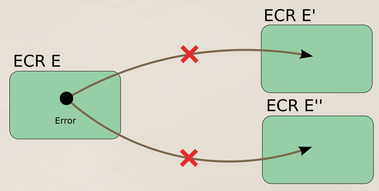
Probability, that an error is propagated from the automation network to its environment (e.g., paper machine).



Lower EPP means **higher level of dependability/security!**

Error Containment Coverage (ECC)

Probability, that an error is detected within an *Error Containment Region* (ECR).

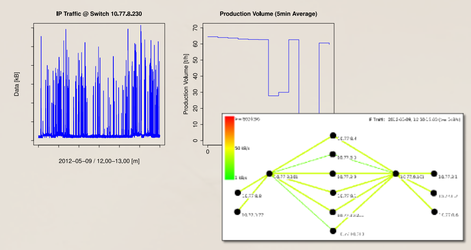


Higher ECC means **higher level of dependability/security!**

Analysis

Quantitative Traffic Analysis

- **Traffic Graphs** visualizing cumulated traffic per second
- **Traffic Maps** visualizing point-to-point links

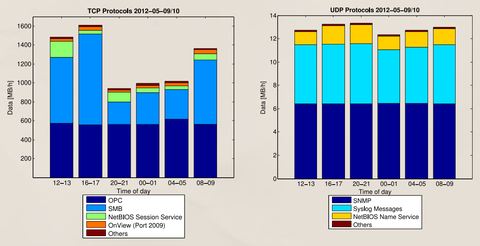


Semantic Traffic Analysis

TCP-based protocols — **UDP**-based protocols

IP-based protocols

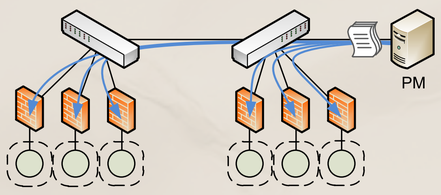
Ethernet-based protocols

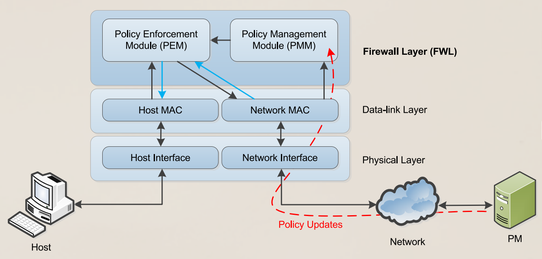


Approaches

Distributed Firewall

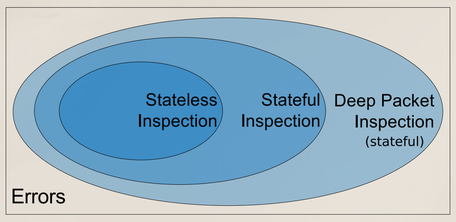
- **Distributed** policy **enforcement** by Local Firewalls (LFWs)
- **Central** policy **definition** by Policy Manager (PM)





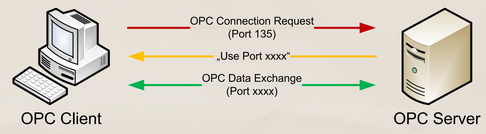
- Minimal size of Error Containment Regions (ECRs)
- **Improved Error Propagation Probability** (EPP)!

Smart Packet Filtering



- **Deep Packet Inspection** detects more error events than common filtering techniques
- **Improved Error Containment Coverage** (ECC)!

- Higher computational effort than common techniques
- Application-specific knowledge necessary
- Reasonable if port-based filtering is not possible, e.g. OPC



Evaluation

Formal Proofs

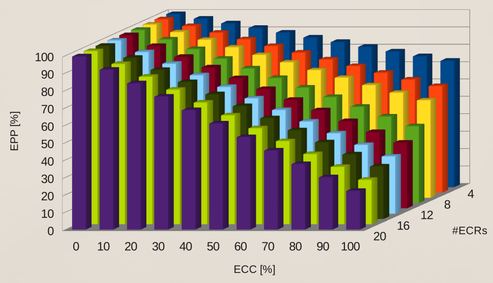
Theorem 1. *Let $A = \{e_1, ..., e_m\}$ be an automation network with m ECRs and $A' = \{e_1, ..., e_{m'}, e_{m''}\}$ be an automation network with $m+1$ ECRs, which is derived from A by splitting an arbitrary ECR (w.l.o.g. let's say e_m) into two non-empty smaller ECRs $e_{m'}$ and $e_{m''}$. Then*

$$EPP(A) \geq EPP(A')$$

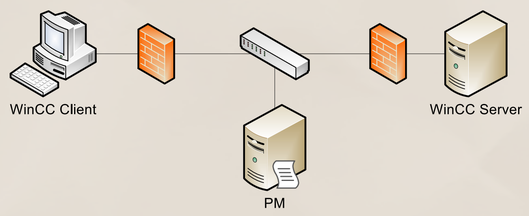
Theorem 2. *Let A_{sl} be an automation network using packet filters with stateless inspection. Furthermore, let A_{sf} be the same automation network, but with stateful inspection firewalls and A_{dp} the same network with deep packet inspection firewalls. Moreover, let E be an arbitrary ECR contained in the corresponding networks. Then the following property holds:*

$$ECC(E, A_{sl}) < ECC(E, A_{sf}) < ECC(E, A_{dp})$$

Simulation



Prototypical Implementation



Evaluation Results

Formal Proofs, Simulation

- **Distributed Firewall** minimizes the number of ECRs, and therefore **decreases EPP**
- **Deep Packet Inspection** improves ECC and thus **decreases EPP** also

Prototypical Implementation

- Combination of Distributed Firewall and Deep Packet Inspection is **realizable**

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