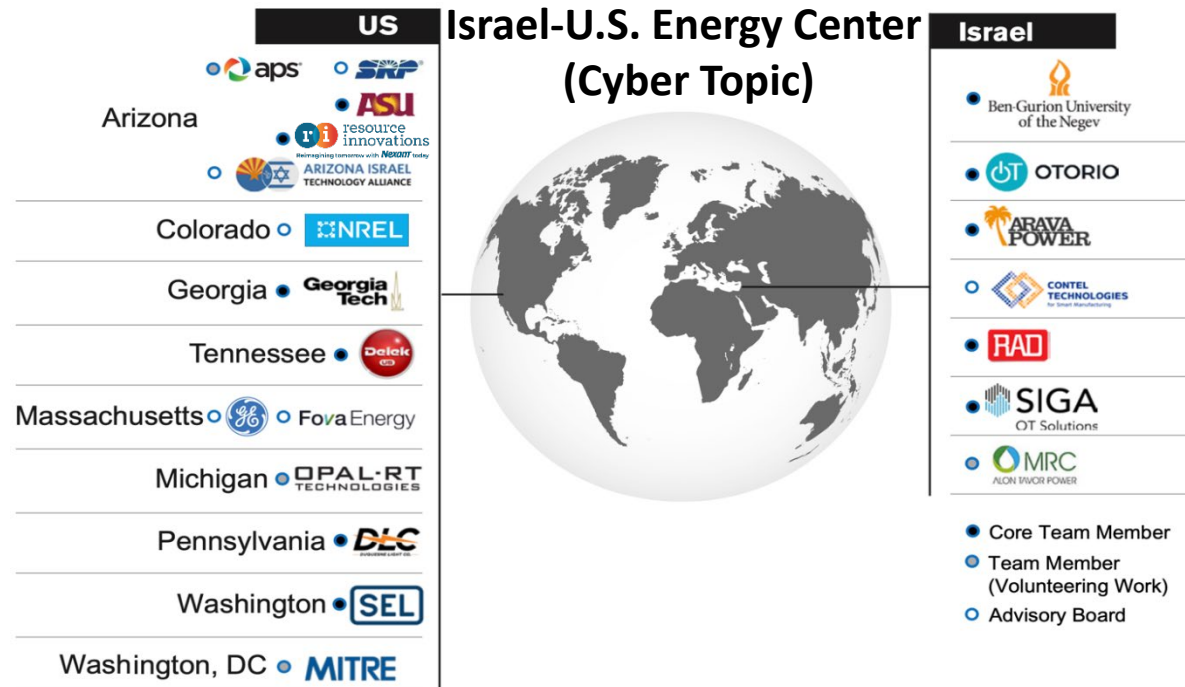


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Task 7

Malware Threat Mitigation in ICS/SCADA Environment

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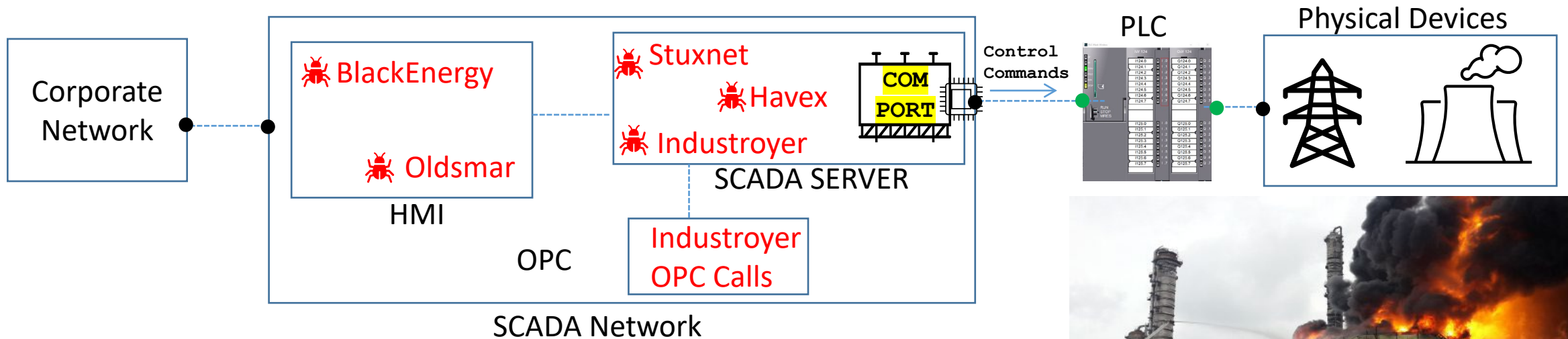
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Malware Attacks are a big problem in ICS/SCADA

Majority of **In-the-Wild**
ICS Attacks/Malware were Launched
from the SCADA Hosts Systems

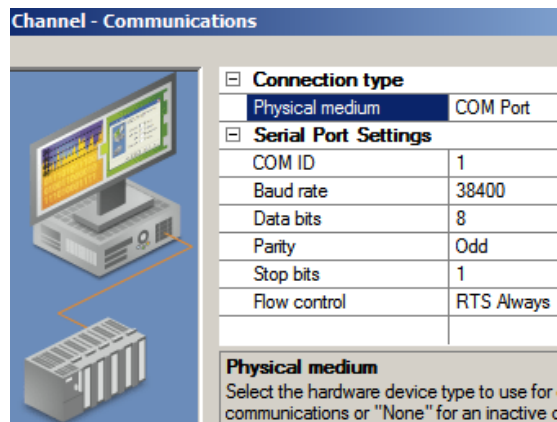


We used FactoryIO and WinSPS to integrate a virtual test ICS/SCADA environment to analyze these behaviors



ICS Host-Based Attack Behaviors

Malicious Control Commands in our analyzed ICS malware were issued via the SCADA hosts software channel to devices, e.g., **COM Ports**. Other attacks issued commands via HMIs



Comparing In-the-Wild Attack Behaviors

	STUXNET	Industroyer	Oldsmar
Access to SCADA COM Ports	Exploits SCADA Programs	Terminates SCADA Programs	Uses HMI to access SCADA
Stealth Level	High	Low	Medium
Custom APIs	YES	YES	NO
Physical Attack	Modifies PLC Logic	Control Commands	Control Commands

```

BOOL WriteFile (
[in] HANDLE hFile, // "COM" HANDLE
[in] LPCVOID lpBuffer, // DEVICE-
TAG
[in] DWORD nNumberOfBytesToWrite);
BOOL ReadFile (
[in] HANDLE hFile, // "COM"
HANDLE
[out] LPVOID lpBuffer, //
DEVICE-TAG
[in] DWORD
nNumberOfBytesToRead);
    
```

Case Study: 2016 Industroyer Malware Attack on Ukraine Power Grid

- Industroyer sent malicious commands to circuit breakers and caused power outage

```
TCP 44 49637->2404 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1
104apci 50 <- U (STARTDT act)
TCP 44 2404->49637 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=7
104apci 50 -> U (STARTDT con)
TCP 44 49637->2404 [ACK] Seq=7 Ack=7
104apci 50 -> U (TESTFR act)
TCP 44 49637->2404 [ACK] Seq=7 Ack=1
104apci 50 -> U (TESTFR act)
TCP 44 49637->2404 [ACK] Seq=7 Ack=1
104asdu 64 -> I (0,1) ASDU=1 M IT NA 1
TCP 44 49637->2404 [ACK] Seq=7 Ack=3
104apci 50 -> U (TESTFR act)
TCP 44 49637->2404 [ACK] Seq=7 Ack=4
104apci 50 -> U (TESTFR act)
TCP 44 49637->2404 [ACK] Seq=7 Ack=5
104apci 50 -> U (TESTFR act)
```

```
IEC 60870-5-104-Asdu: ASDU=1 M_IT_NA_1 Spont IOA=4
  TypeId: M_IT_NA_1 (15)
  0... .. = SQ: False
  ..00 0001 = NumIx: 1
  ..00 0011 = CauseTx: Spont (3)
  .0... .. = Negative: False
  0... .. = Test: False
  OA: 0
  Addr: 1
  IOA: 4
  IOA: 4
  Binary Counter: 0
  ...0 0001 = SQ: 1
  ..0... .. = CY: No overflow
  .0... .. = CA: Not Adjusted
  0... .. = IV: Valid
```

Network Traffic of Industroyer malware: Showing attack payload

Lesson Learned

- Industroyer understood some physics of power systems to cause disruption
- Terminated the SCADA program to hijack COM Ports to physical systems
- Executed Custom API control commands
- Physical sensors can observe the attack effects. But benign physical anomalies can cause false positives

Solution Idea: Correlate SCADA host execution with physical sensor anomalies/effects

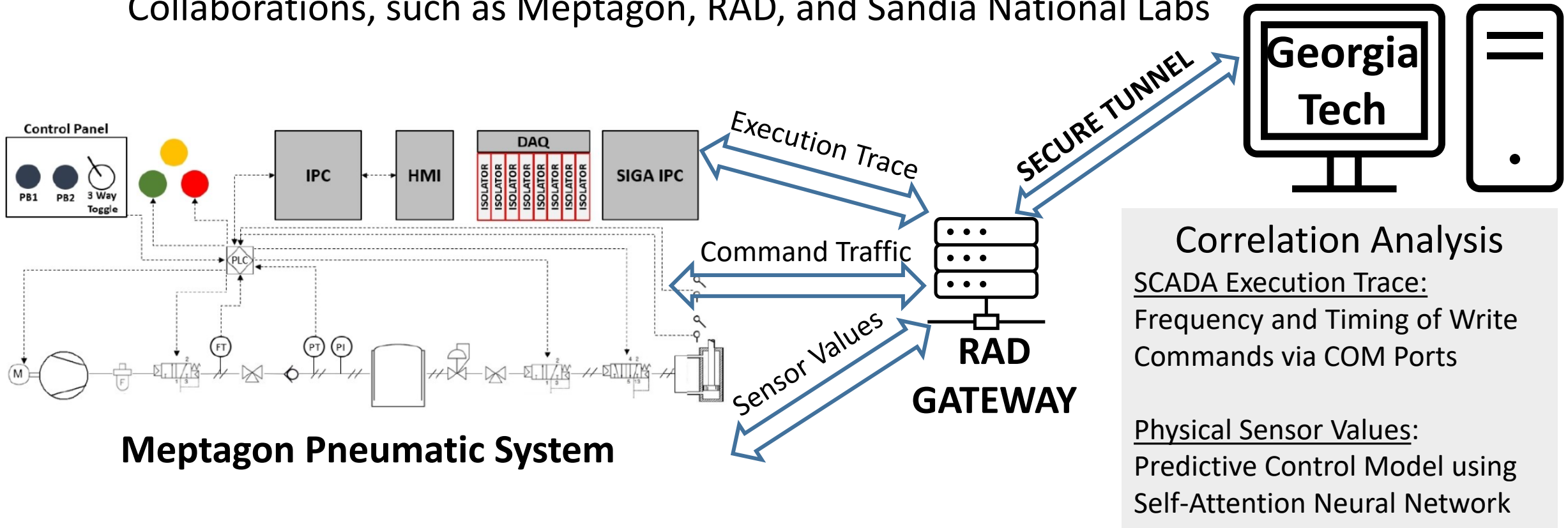
Transitioning from virtual test environment

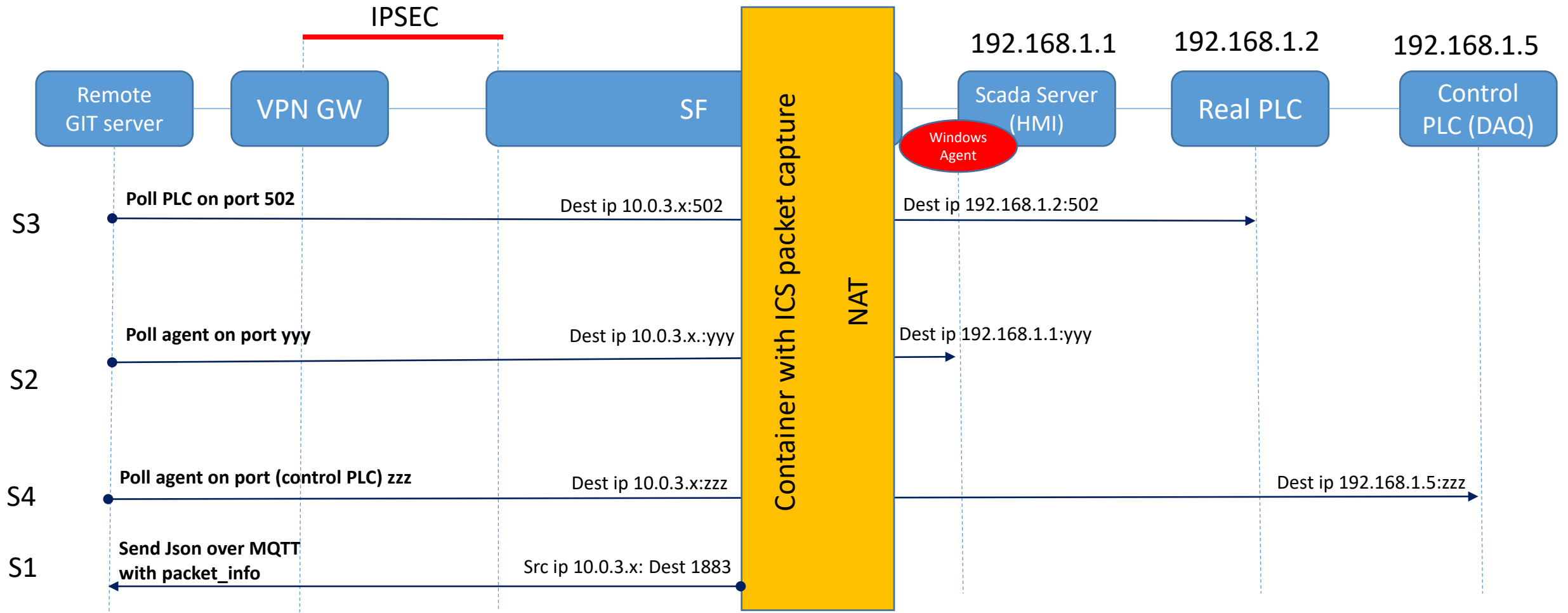
Approach:

- Correlate execution traces in the SCADA hosts with physical sensor effects/anomalies

Practical Usability/Commercialization

- Georgia Tech is leveraging domain knowledge and real systems from Industry Collaborations, such as Meptagon, RAD, and Sandia National Labs





- S1 – Json over MQTT (with Modbus info) over the tunnel from Container (10.0.3.x) to remote_IP:1883
- S2 - HMI PC agent over the tunnel to and from IP 10.0.3.x port yyy (??? packet)
- S3 - Poll/manage PLC over the tunnel to and from IP 10.0.3.x port 502 (Modbus TCP packet)
- S4 - Poll/manage Control PLC over the tunnel to and from IP 10.0.3.x port zzz (Modbus TCP packet)

Example of process information sent to analysis system

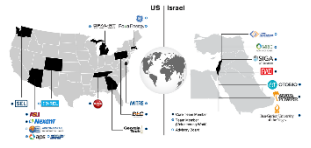
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"remote_ip": "172.17.236.112",
"remote_interface": "eth1",
"remote_port": 0,
"timestamp": "1153491905.638732000",
"eth": {
  "dst": "00:c0:a8:f2:bf:fb",
  "dst_resolved": "00:c0:a8:f2:bf:fb",
  "dst_oui": "49320",
  "dst_oui_resolved": "Gvc Corporation",
  "addr": "00:c0:a8:f2:bf:fb",
  "addr_resolved": "00:c0:a8:f2:bf:fb",
  "addr_oui": "49320",
  "addr_oui_resolved": "Gvc Corporation",
  "dst_lg": "0",
  "lg": "0",
  "dst_lg": "0",
  "lg": "0",
  "src": "00:0c:29:6b:2d:28",
  "src_resolved": "00:0c:29:6b:2d:28",
  "src_oui": "3113",
  "src_oui_resolved": "VMware, Inc.",
  "src_lg": "0",
  "src_lg": "0",
  "type": "0x0800"
},
```

```
"ip": {
  "version": "4",
  "hdr_len": "20",
  "dsfield": "0x00",
  "dsfield_dscp": "0",
  "dsfield_ecn": "0",
  "len": "52",
  "id": "0xfd1f",
  "flags": "0x40",
  "flags_rb": "0",
  "flags_df": "1",
  "flags_mf": "0",
  "frag_offset": "0",
  "ttl": "128",
  "proto": "6",
  "checksum": "0x4289",
  "checksum_status": "2",
  "src": "192.168.66.235",
  "addr": "192.168.66.235",
  "src_host": "192.168.66.235",
  "host": "192.168.66.235",
  "dst": "166.161.16.230",
  "dst_host": "166.161.16.230"
},
```

```
"tcp": {
  "srcport": "2582",
  "dstport": "502",
  "port": "2582",
  "stream": "6",
  "completeness": "15",
  "len": "12",
  "seq": "265",
  "seq_raw": "4058832470",
  "nxtseq": "277",
  "ack": "205",
  "ack_raw": "2322986634",
  "hdr_len": "20",
  "flags": "0x0018",
  "flags_res": "0",
  "flags_ns": "0",
  "flags_cwr": "0",
  "flags_ecn": "0",
  "flags_urg": "0",
  "flags_ack": "1",
  "flags_push": "1",
  "flags_reset": "0",
  "flags_syn": "0",
  "flags_fin": "0",
  "flags_str": ".....AP...",
  "window_size_value": "64036",
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  "window_size_scalefactor": "-2",
  "checksum": "0x9c14",
  "checksum_status": "2",
  "urgent_pointer": "0",
```

```
"": "Timestamps",
  "time_relative": "26.028361000",
  "time_delta": "0.032708000",
  "analysis": "SEQ/ACK analysis",
  "analysis_acks_frame": "179",
  "analysis_ack_rtt": "0.032708000",
  "analysis_initial_rtt": "3.656992000",
  "analysis_bytes_in_flight": "12",
  "analysis_push_bytes_sent": "12",
  "payload": "00:00:00:00:00:06:01:16:0
0:00:00:00",
  "pdu_size": "12"
}
"mbtcp": {
  "trans_id": "0",
  "prot_id": "0",
  "len": "6",
  "unit_id": "1"
},
"modbus": {
  "func_code": "22",
  "reference_num": "0",
  "and_mask": "0x0000"
}
}
```


QUESTIONS



- Thank You