

Illustrate the Need for UAS Cybersecurity Oversight & Risk Management A11L.UAS.95_A58

Research Project Description

- To address proactively the need to have UAS Cybersecurity Oversight and Risk Management processes.
- Approach: Perform a literature survey; develop a framework or process for cybersecurity risk management; and test the framework or process.
- Current PoP: 1/1/2022 – 4/30/2024

Sponsor Anticipated Outcome

- Literature review outlining state-of-the-art
- Oversight and Risk Management processes for UAS Cybersecurity oversight
- Testing and analysis results from tools and processes

Critical Milestones

- Task 1: Literature Review & Industry Engagement
- Task 2: Illustrate the Need for UAS Cybersecurity Oversight and Risk Management
- Task 3: Test Cybersecurity Oversight Tool or Process
- Task 4: Final Report and Final Briefing

Research Accomplishments in FY22

- Held Kickoff Meeting – 2/17/2022



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Recent Accomplishments

- FY22_Q2
- Kick-off Meeting

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- **TASK 1: Literature Review and Industry Engagement – KU, OrSU, DU (Jan 2022)**
- **Subtask(s):**
 - Task 1-1: Review GAO-19-105 report on Identify, Protect, Detect, Respond, Recover approach
 - Task 1-2: Review publicly available information from other reports concerning Risk Management Assessment elements, concerns and best practices
 - Task 1-3: Engage industry partners in identifying best practices
- **Exit Criteria:**
 - Draft Literature Review Report
- **Task Deliverable(s):**
 - Literature Review



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- **Task 1-1: Review GAO-19-105 report on Identify, Protect, Detect, Respond, Recover approach**
- Currently reviewing GAO-19-105
 - Identify, Protect, Detect, Respond, Recover serves as an organization mechanism
 - Too abstract to capture UAS specific requirements and issues
 - Framework will refine the more general structure
- Framework for Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity, Version 1.1 from National Institute of Standards and Technology
 - Describe their current cybersecurity posture
 - Describe their target state for cybersecurity
 - Identify and prioritize opportunities for improvement within the context of a continuous and repeatable process
 - Assess progress toward the target state
 - Communicate among internal and external stakeholders about cybersecurity risk
- **Current Status:** Reviewing GAO-19-105 and NIST Framework Document



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- **Task 1-2: Review publicly available information from other reports concerning Risk Management Assessment elements, concerns and best practices**
- Start from recently completed A38 Study
- Search for UAS-specific literature
 - Frameworks and approaches
 - Issues and examples
 - Examine proxy systems with similar architectures
 - Cyberphysical is particularly important
- Controlling paper explosion
 - Identify sources (ACM, IEEE, AIAA, Oakland, USENIX, etc.)
 - Limit to 10 years in the past
 - UAS-specific literature
 - UAS frameworks and approaches
 - UAS issues and examples
- Focus on mapping to GAO and NIST documents
 - Established ontology for organizing information
 - Initial NIST framework for refinement
- **Current Status:** Gathering and classifying papers and public literature



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- **Task 1-3: Engage industry partners in identifying best practices**
- Engage KU security advisory board
 - Garmin – Aerospace security lead (Dan Hine)
 - Collins Aerospace – System security lead (David Hardin, Darren Cofer)
 - T-Mobile – Wireless Communication and 5G (Lyle Paczkowski)
 - Arm – Security architecture (James Flack)
- **Current Status:**
 - Contacted Garmin, initiated discussions
 - Mitch Trope (Security Lead, Aerospace)
 - Dan Hein (Security Lead, Garmin)
 - Contacted Collins Aerospace, discussions planned
 - David Harden (Formal Methods Lead)
 - Darren Cofer (Research Fellow)
 - T-Mobile on hold
 - Company reorg moving people
 - Arm on hold
 - Company reorg moving people



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- **TASK 2: UAS Cybersecurity Oversight and Risk Management – KU, DU, OrSU (Apr 2022)**
- **Subtask(s):**
 - Task 2-1: Framework Definition
 - Task 2-2: Dynamic Analysis
 - Task 2-3: Static Analysis
 - Task 2-4: Cyberphysical Analysis
- **Exit Criteria:**
 - Create a report detailing a Tool or Process that can be used for UAS Cybersecurity Oversight and Risk Management.
- **Task Deliverable(s):**
 - UAS Cybersecurity Oversight and Risk Management Tool and/or Process



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- **TASK 3: Test Cybersecurity Oversight Tool or Process– KU, DU, OrSU (Apr 2022)**
- **Subtask(s):**
 - Task 3-1: Dynamic Performance Testing
 - Task 3-2: Cyberphysical Security Testing
 - Task 3-3: Resource Aware Testing
 - Task 3-4: Penetration Testing
 - Task 3-5: Student Engagement
 - Task 3-6: Flight
- **Exit Criteria:**
 - Create a report detailing the scenarios developed, results of the table-top simulation or live-test event, and lessons learned
- **Task Deliverable(s):**
 - Report on scenarios, simulations, live testing and lessons learned



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- **TASK 4: Peer Reviewed Final Report and Final Briefing– KU, DU, OrSU (Oct 2023)**
- **The performers will write a final report documenting:**
 - 1. The Cybersecurity Oversight Tool or Process
 - 2. The process and results of testing the Cybersecurity Oversight Tool or Process
 - 3. Areas of need and future research
- **Deliver software and hardware developed for the research effort.**
- **Exit Criteria:**
- Summarize and aggregate all of the previous reports into a final report package for the overall project.
- **Task Deliverable(s):**
- Peer Reviewed Final Report

