

MISSION DRIVEN SECURITY: BASELINE ASSURANCE AND THREAT/VULNERABILITY

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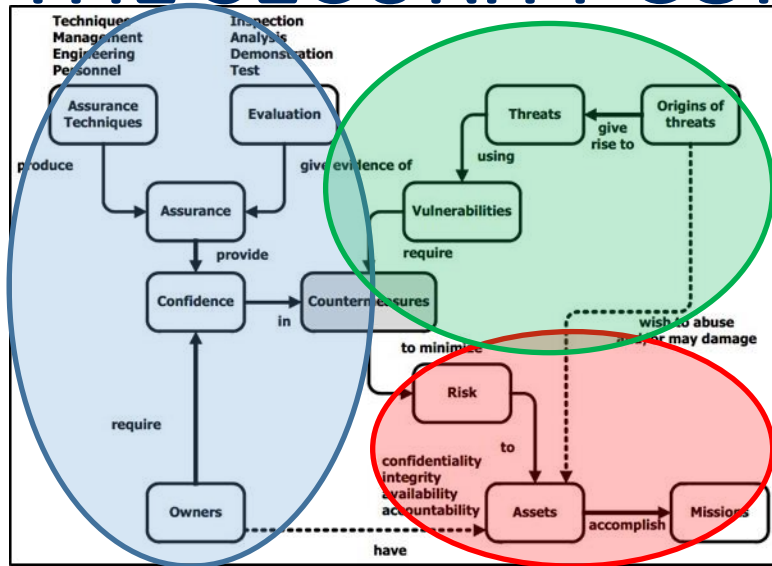


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- **Mission Driven Security: Baseline Assurance and Threat/Vulnerability Abstract**
- **A call for the application of both Mission Driven Security types: Baseline Assurance and Threat/Vulnerability methods.**
 - **We shall explore the hidden "Open Source" model of the "security context of the system" in IEEE Standard for System, Software, and Hardware Verification, and Validation (IEEE Std 1012-2016) and its application to Cybersecurity as a more complete solution.**
 - **Within the model we see the application of both Mission Driven Security types:**
 - Baseline Assurance methods and Threat/Vulnerability methods.
 - The model also is supported by the process defined by CNSSI 1253 Chapter 3 (as long as we apply the process including the need to Tailor).

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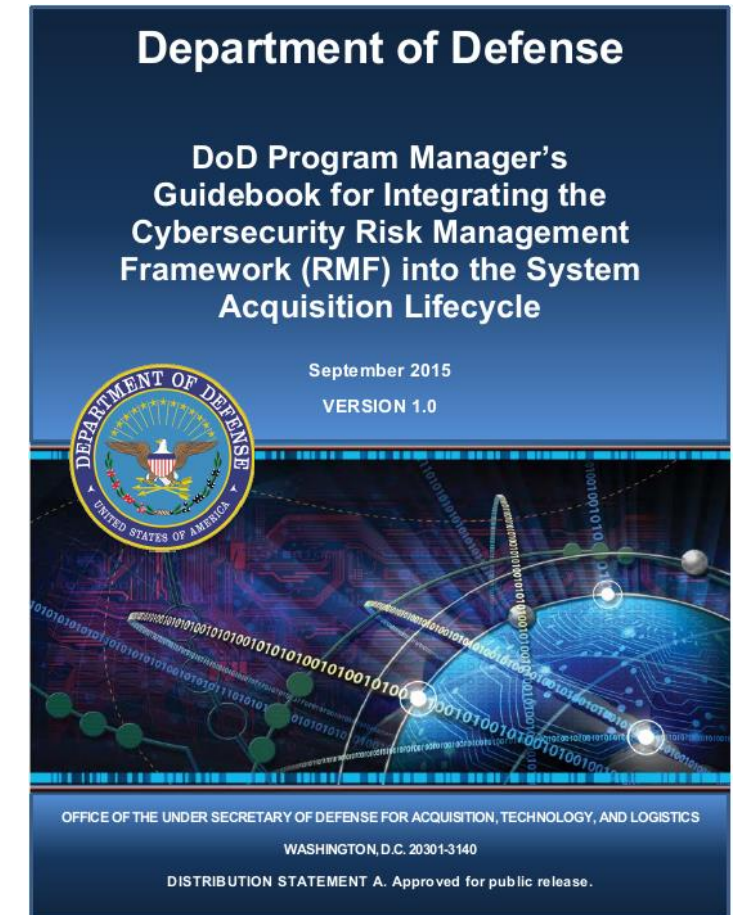
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DoD PROGRAM MANAGER'S GUIDEBOOK FOR INTEGRATING THE CYBERSECURITY RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK (RMF) INTO THE SYSTEM ACQUISITION LIFECYCLE, 20150900

- Executive Summary
 - “This guidebook emphasizes **integrating cybersecurity activities into existing processes** including requirements, SSE, program protection planning, trusted systems and networks analysis, developmental and operational test and evaluation, financial management and cost estimating, and sustainment and disposal.”
- Guidebook Key Tenets
 - “Cybersecurity requirements are **treated like other system requirements**”
 - “As the system matures and security controls are selected, implemented, assessed, and monitored, the PM collaborates with the authorizing official (AO) ... to **ensure the continued alignment of cybersecurity in the technical baselines**, system security architecture, data flows, and design”
- “Failure to do [cybersecurity] early in the system lifecycle impacts the AO’s authorization decision as well as system performance, and program cost and schedule.”



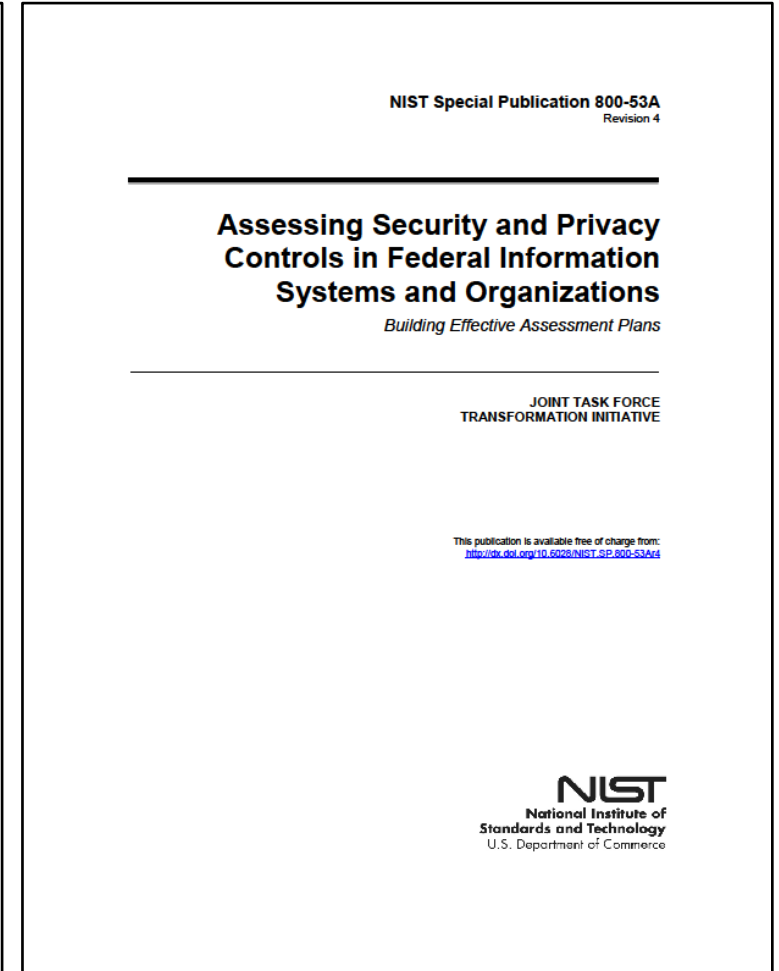
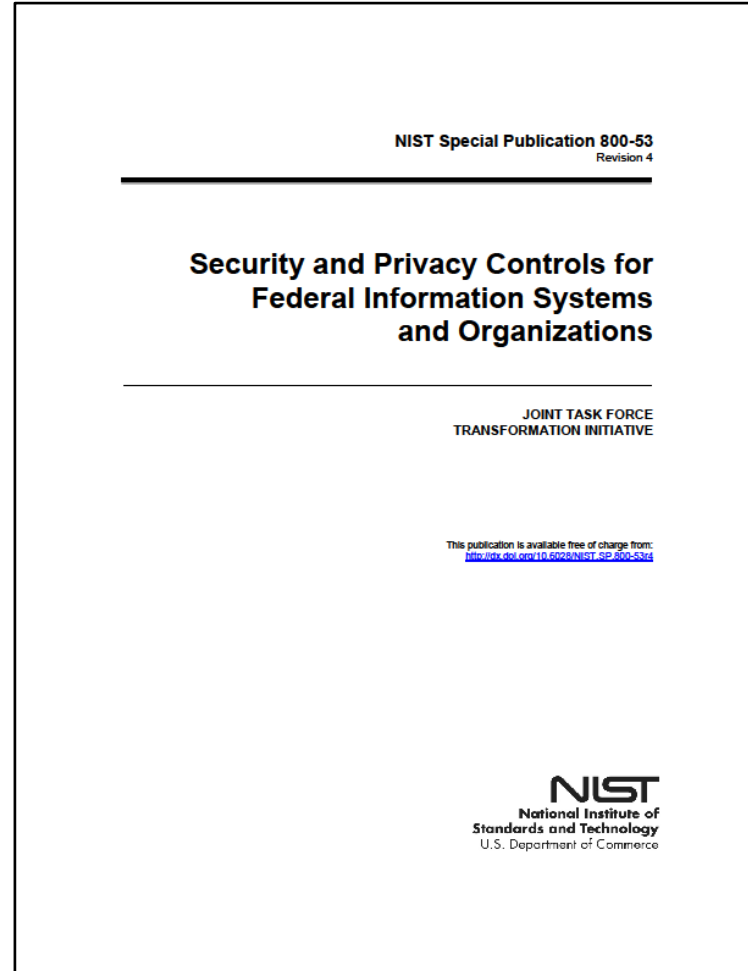
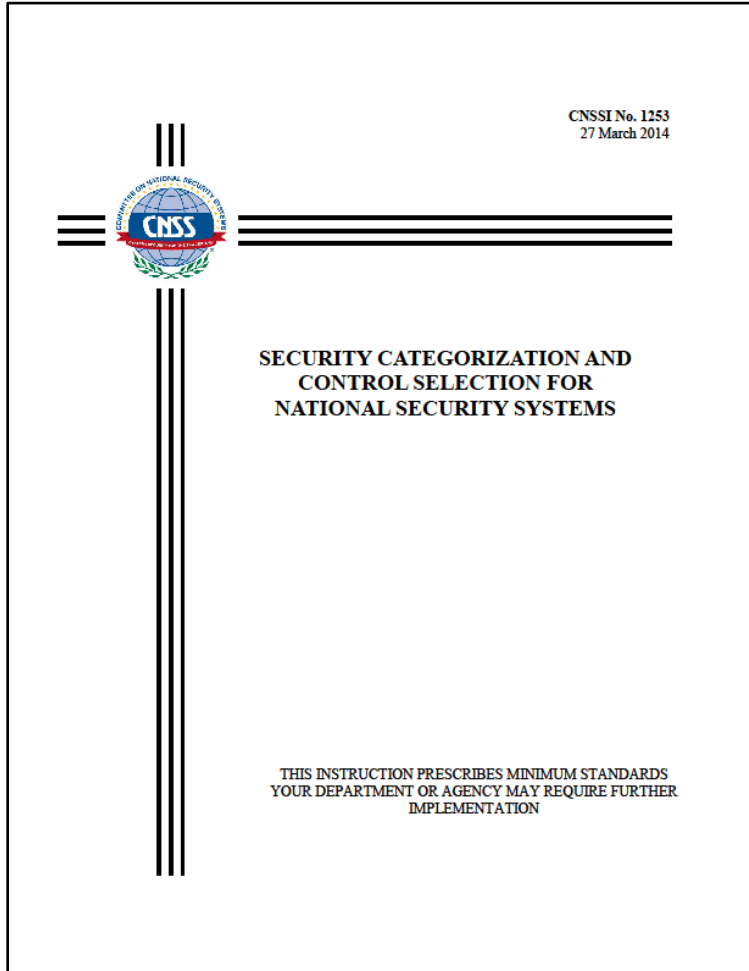
Eschew Suboptimization; Do Cybersecurity Early for an Optimum Total System Solution

CYBERSECURITY SOURCE DOCUMENTS

CNSSI 1253, 20140327

NIST SP 800-53r4

NIST SP 800-53Ar4



“Baseline” Assurance to give Owners “Confidence” in the System-of-Interest

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For NSS, the Security Categorization Task (RMF Step 1, Task 1-1) is a two-step process:

1. Determine impact values: (i) for the information type(s) processed, stored, transmitted, or protected⁶ by the information system; and (ii) for the information system.
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3.1.1 Determine Impact Values for Information Types and the Information System

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to allocate more stringent or less stringent security controls. The tailoring guidance in Section 3.2.2 should be used to address these issues.

3. Document the security category in the security plan.

3.1.2 Identify Applicable Overlays

Overlays identify additional factors (beyond impact) that influence the initial selection of security controls. As CNSS overlays are developed, they are published as attachments to Appendix F of this Instruction. Each overlay includes an applicability section with a series of questions used to identify whether or not the overlay is applicable to an information system. Review the questions in each overlay identified in Appendix F to determine whether or not the overlay applies. Document the applicable overlay(s) in the security plan.

3.2 RMF STEP 2: SELECT SECURITY CONTROLS

For NSS, Security Control Selection (RMF Step 2, Task 2-2) is a two-step process:

1. Select the initial security control set.
2. Tailor the initial security control set.

3.2.1 Select the Initial Security Control Set

Once the security category of the information system is determined, organizations begin the security control selection process. To identify the initial security control set, complete the following activities:

1. Select the baseline security controls identified from Table D-1 in Appendix D corresponding to the security category of the system (i.e., the impact values determined for each security objective [confidentiality, integrity, and availability]).
2. Apply any overlay(s) identified as applicable during security categorization. If the use of multiple overlays results in conflicts between the application or removal of security controls, the authorizing official (or designee), in coordination with the information owner/steward, information system owner, and risk executive (function) resolves the conflict.
3. Document the initial security control set and the rationale for adding or removing security controls from the baseline by referencing the applicable overlay(s) in the security plan.

3.2.2 Tailor the Initial Security Control Set

Organizations initiate the tailoring process to modify and align the initial control set to more closely account for conditions affecting the specific system (i.e., conditions related to organizational missions, business functions, information systems, or environments of operation). Organizations should remove security controls only as a function of specified, risk-based determinations. During the tailoring process, a risk assessment – either informal or formal – should be conducted. The results from a risk assessment provide information about the necessity

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and sufficiency of security controls and enhancements during the tailoring process. To tailor the initial security control set, complete the following activities:

1. Tailor the initial security control set using Table D-2, Appendix E, and NIST SP 800-53, Section 3.2.¹⁰
2. Determine whether or not additional assurance-related controls are needed to increase the level of trustworthiness in the information system. If so, tailor the set of controls accordingly. (See NIST SP 800-53, Appendix E.)
3. Document in the security plan the relevant decisions made during the tailoring process, providing a sound rationale for those decisions.
4. Document and justify in the security plan any security controls from the initial security control set that cannot or will not be implemented in the system and for which no compensating control(s) will be substituted. At the discretion of the authorizing official, this information may be included in the plan of action and milestones.

- Tailoring is the process by which one considers Threats and Vulnerabilities!
- Tailoring can ADD or SUBTRACT Controls

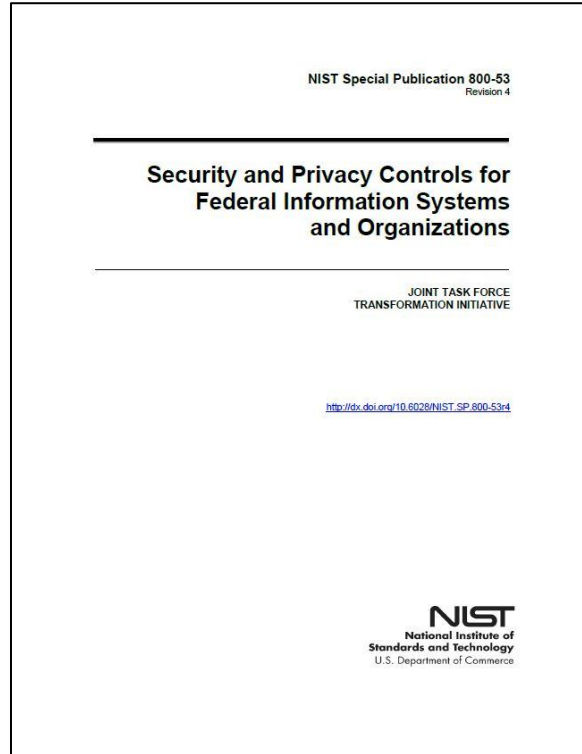
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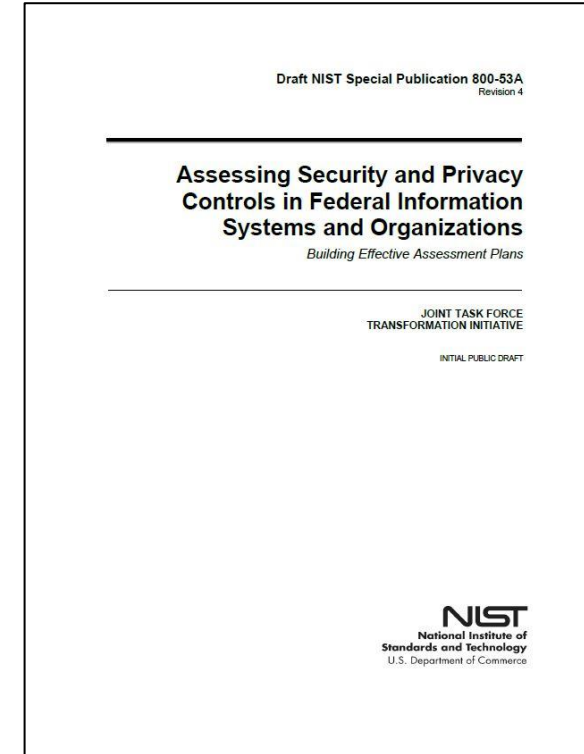
Recognize the Correct Answer When Told (5 Year Old Known Process that Fulfills Requirement)

800-53, A.K.A., MIL-STD-961E W/CH1,§3 REQUIREMENTS

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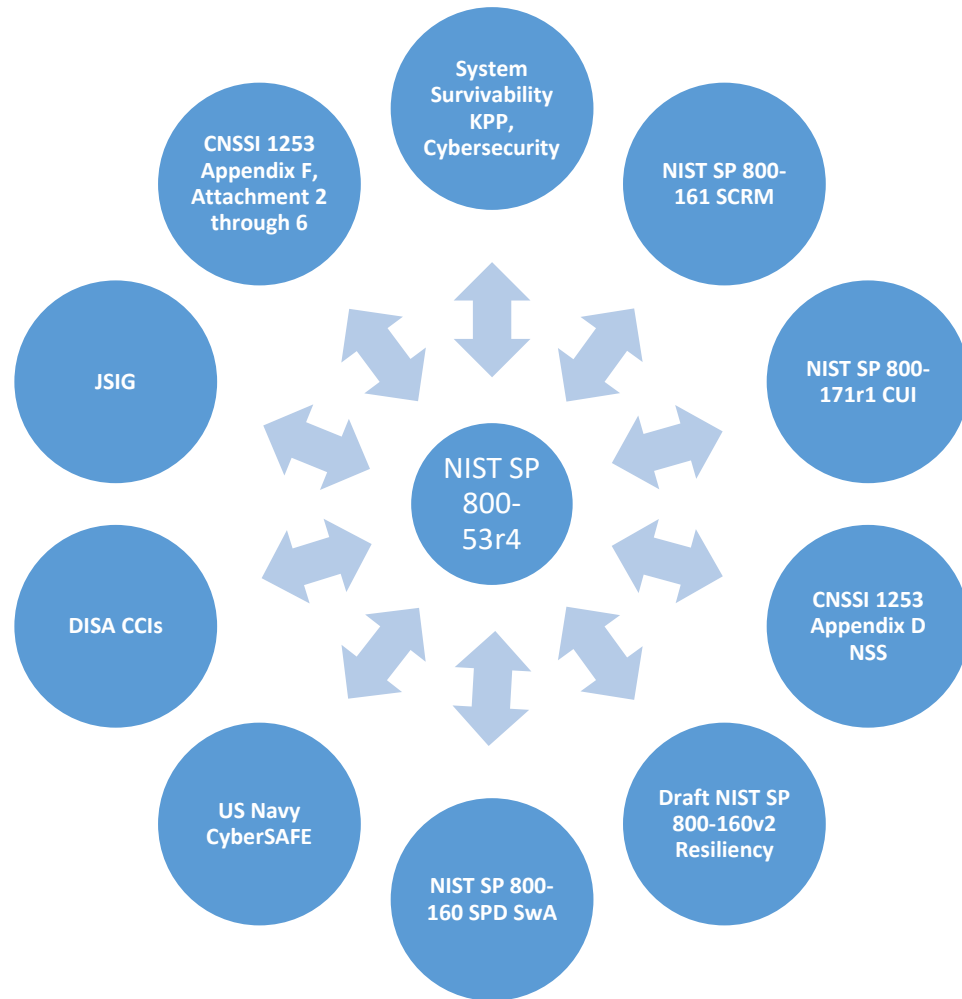
**NIST SP 800-53r4
≈1,000 Requirements**



**NIST SP 800-53Ar4
≈4,000 Verification**

CNSSI 1253 Selects ≈ LLL-311/MMM-403/HHH-478 Requirements
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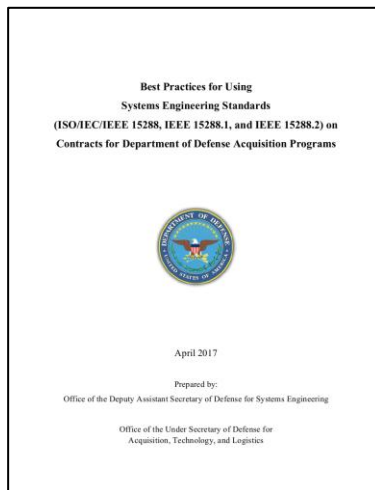
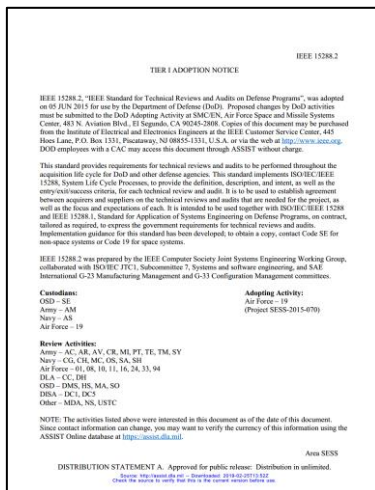
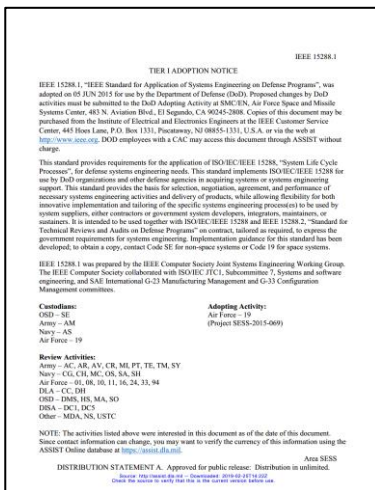
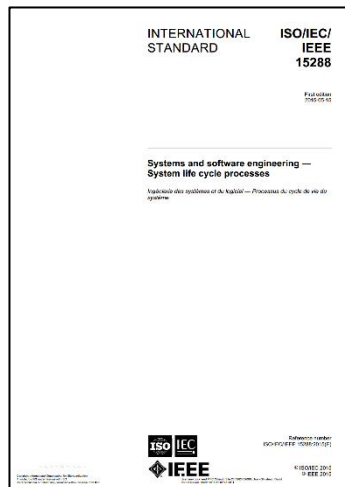
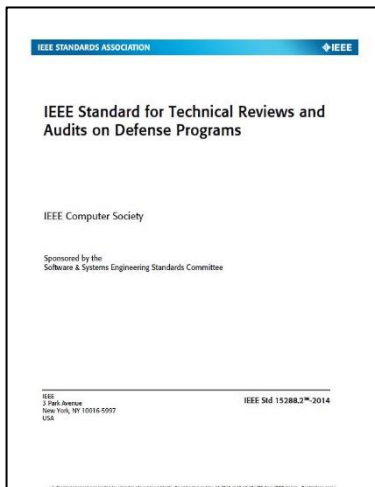
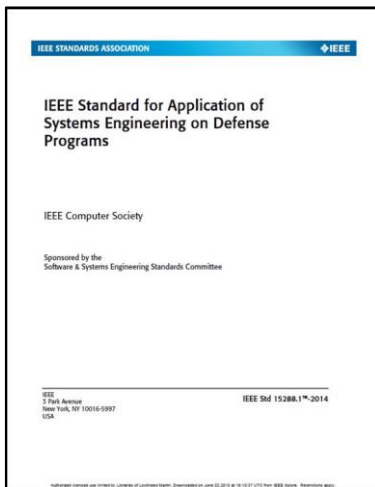
THE NIST SP 800-53r4 HUB AND SPOKES



- NIST SP 800-53r4 is not a Requirements document in and of itself, BUT
- Many other documents call for the implementation of Controls and Control Enhancements, or
- Other Documents (CCIs) trace to its Controls and Control Enhancements
- Potential “Overlay’s” that give Owners “Confidence” in the System-of-Interest

Is there a trend here? We might want to do it the NIST SP 800-53r4 way!

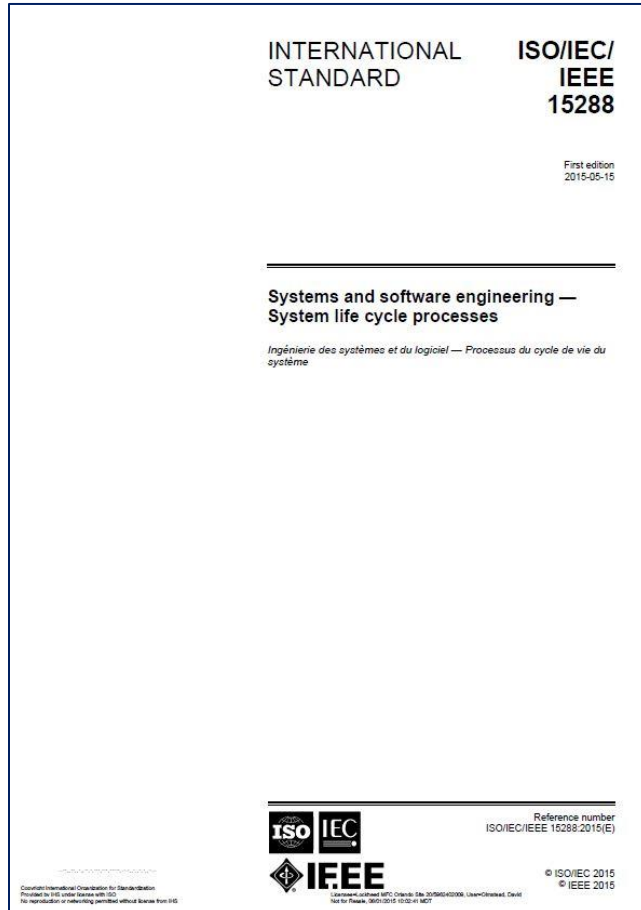
IEEE STD 15288.1™-2014, IEEE STD 15288.2™-2014 and ISO/IEC/IEEE 15288:2015(E)



- These standards addresses the needs of the defense community with respect to the incorporation, implementation, and execution of Systems Engineering
- IEEE Std 15288.1-2014 & 15288.2-2014 implement ISO/IEC/IEEE 15288 for application on defense programs
 - See the Tier I Adoption Notices
- DoD provides “Best Practices for using Systems Engineering Standards”
 - It notes the Tier I Adoption Notices and the three Standards for application
 - Defense-specific language and terminology to ensure the correct application of acquirer-supplier requirements for the DoD Acquisition Life Cycle
 - Systems Engineering, and Technical Reviews and Audits

Defense Program Systems Engineering; Tier I Adoption Notices and DoD Best Practices

ISO/IEC/IEEE 15288-2015(E) (ILLUSTRATIVE SAMPLE)

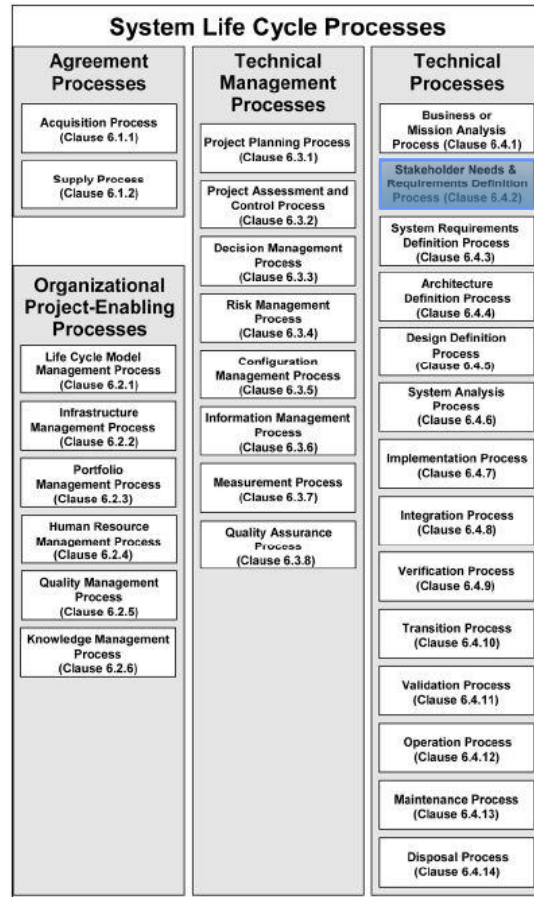


- §6.4.2 Stakeholder Needs and Requirements Definition Process
 - The purpose of the Stakeholder Needs and Requirements Definition process is to define the stakeholder requirements for a system that can provide the capabilities needed by users and other stakeholders in a defined environment.
 - Define Stakeholder Need includes: “Understanding stakeholder needs for the minimum **security** and privacy requirements necessary for the operational environment minimizes the potential for disruption in plans, schedules, and performance.”
 - Preview – Detail is added by NIST SP 800-160v1, Systems Security Engineering

The DoD Defined System Life Cycle Process Requirement

ISO/IEC/IEEE 15288-2015

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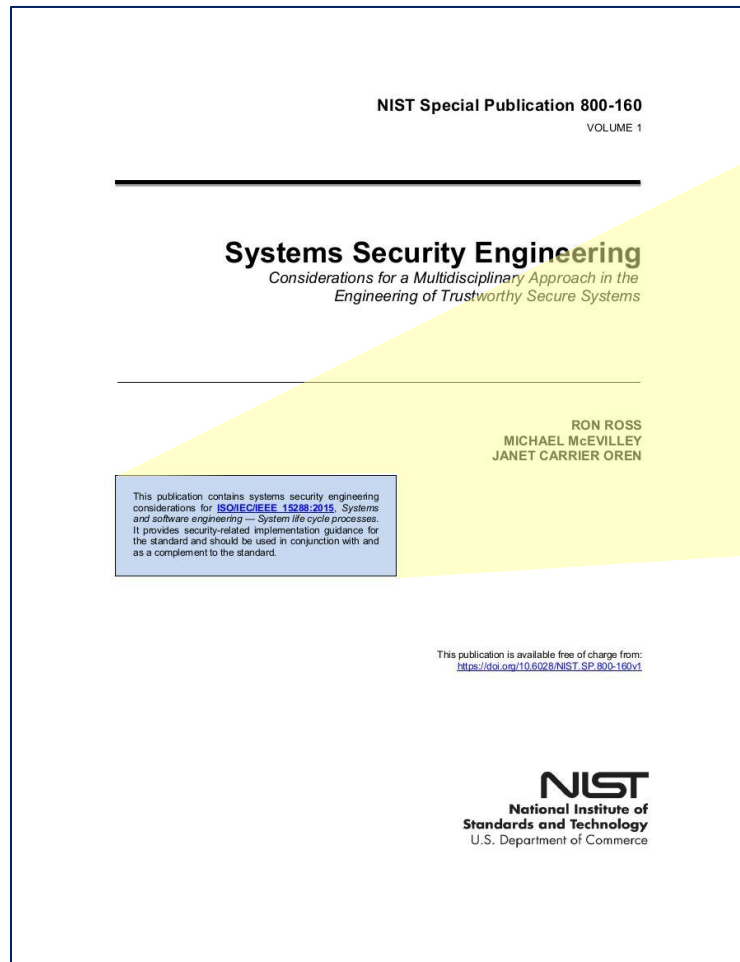
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- 6.4.2.3 Activities and tasks

- Note Some stakeholders have interests that oppose the system or oppose each other. **When the stakeholder interests oppose each other, but do not oppose the system, this process is intended to gain consensus among the stakeholder classes to establish a common set of acceptable requirements**
 - b) Define Stakeholder Needs.
 - 1) Define context of use within the concept of operations and the preliminary life cycle concepts
 - 2) Identify stakeholder needs
 - 3) Prioritize and down-select needs
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Position within the Technical Processes

NIST SP 800-160v1 IS PER ISO/IEC/IEEE 15288:2015(E)



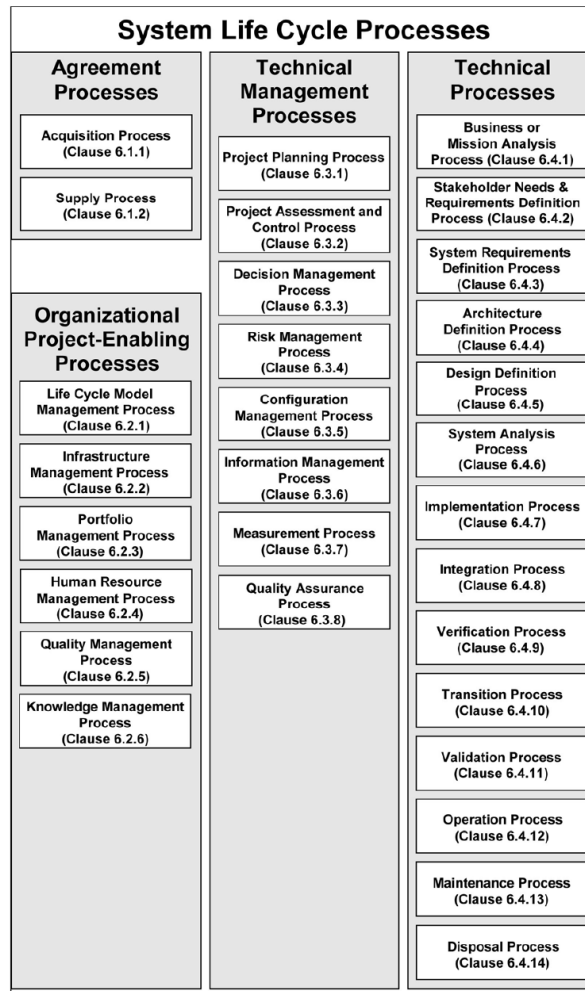
This publication contains systems security engineering considerations for [ISO/IEC/IEEE 15288:2015](#), *Systems and software engineering — System life cycle processes*. It provides security-related implementation guidance for the standard and should be used in conjunction with and as a complement to the standard.

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ISO/IEC/IEEE 15288:2015(E), SYSTEMS AND SOFTWARE ENGINEERING – SYSTEM LIFE CYCLE PROCESSES

ISO/IEC/IEEE 15288

NIST SP 800-160 System Life Cycle Processes



3.1 AGREEMENT PROCESSES

- 3.1.1 Acquisition Process
- 3.1.2 Supply Process

3.2 ORGANIZATIONAL PROJECT-ENABLING PROCESSES

- 3.2.1 Life Cycle Model Management Process
- 3.2.2 Infrastructure Management Process
- 3.2.3 Portfolio Management Process
- 3.2.4 Human Resource Management Process
- 3.2.5 Quality Management Process
- 3.2.6 Knowledge Management Process

3.3 TECHNICAL MANAGEMENT PROCESSES


- 3.3.1 Project Planning Process
- 3.3.2 Project Assessment and Control Process
- 3.3.3 Decision Management Process
- 3.3.4 Risk Management Process
- 3.3.5 Configuration Management Process
- 3.3.6 Information Management Process
- 3.3.7 Measurement Process
- 3.3.8 Quality Assurance Process

3.4 TECHNICAL PROCESSES

- 3.4.1 Business or Mission Analysis Process
- 3.4.2 Stakeholder Needs and Requirements Definition Process
- 3.4.3 System Requirements Definition Process
- 3.4.4 Architecture Definition Process
- 3.4.5 Design Definition Process
- 3.4.6 System Analysis Process
- 3.4.7 Implementation Process
- 3.4.8 Integration Process
- 3.4.9 Verification Process
- 3.4.10 Transition Process
- 3.4.11 Validation Process
- 3.4.12 Operation Process
- 3.4.13 Maintenance Process
- 3.4.14 Disposal Process

Change the §6 number in ISO/IEC/IEEE to §3 in NIST SP 800-160 and the section numbering is in alignment

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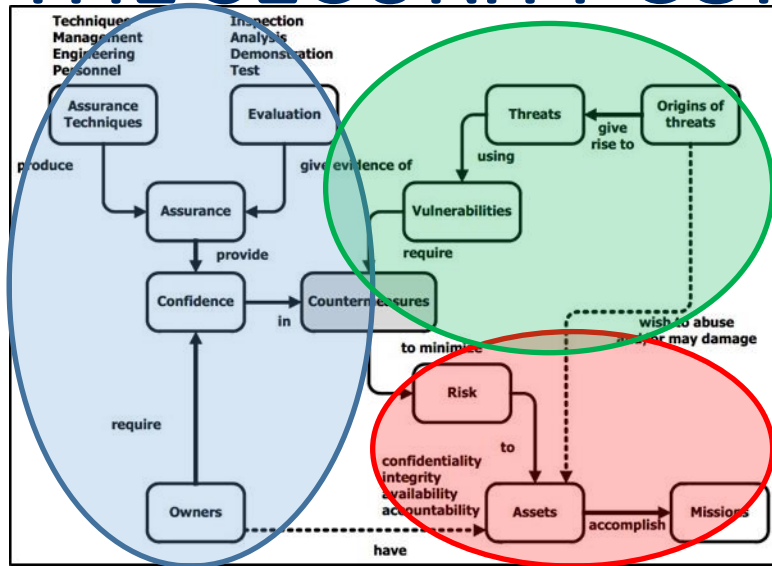
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- Verification and validation (V&V) processes are used to determine whether the development products of a given activity conform to the requirements of that activity and whether the product satisfies its intended use and user needs.
- V&V life cycle process requirements are specified for different integrity levels.
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For NSS, Security Control Selection (RMF Step 2, Task 2-2) is a two-step process:

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Once the security category of the information system is determined, organizations begin the security control selection process. To identify the initial security control set, complete the following activities:

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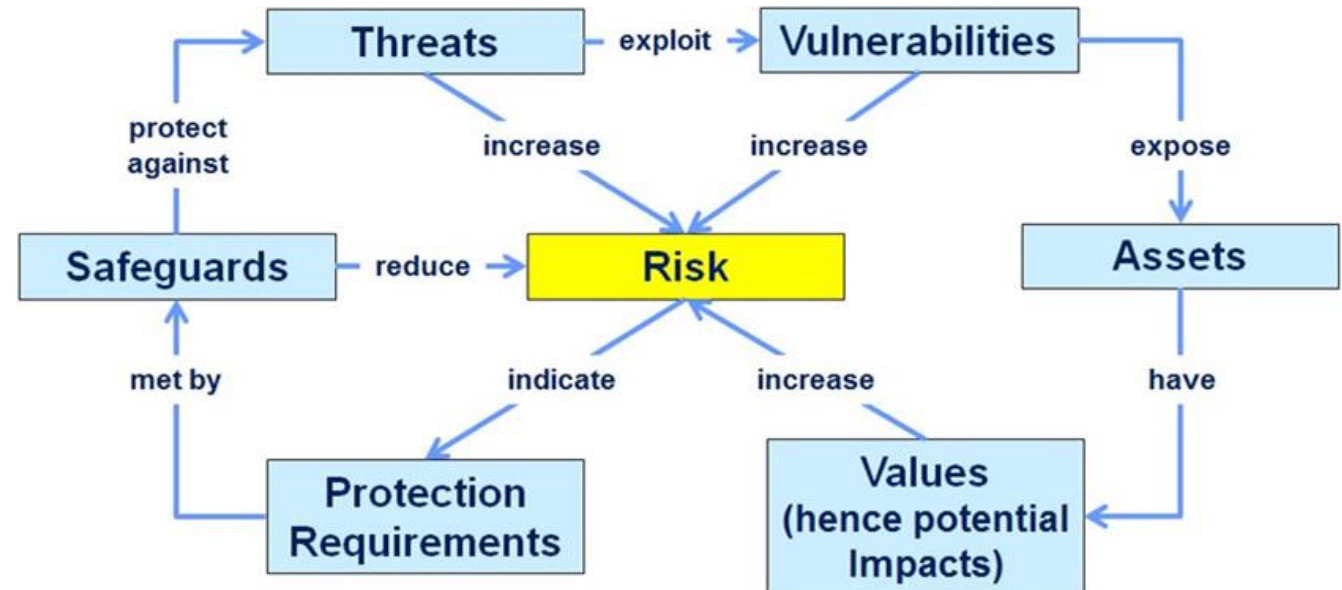
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Recognize the Correct Answer When Told (5 Year Old Known Process that Fulfills Requirement)

RELATIONSHIPS IN RISK MANAGEMENT MODEL

- ISO/IEC TR 13335-1:1996
- Information technology – Guidelines for the management of IT Security – Part 1: Concepts and models for IT Security
- Figure 4: Relationships in risk Management
- This can easily transform into IEEE Std 1012™-2016 Figure J.1



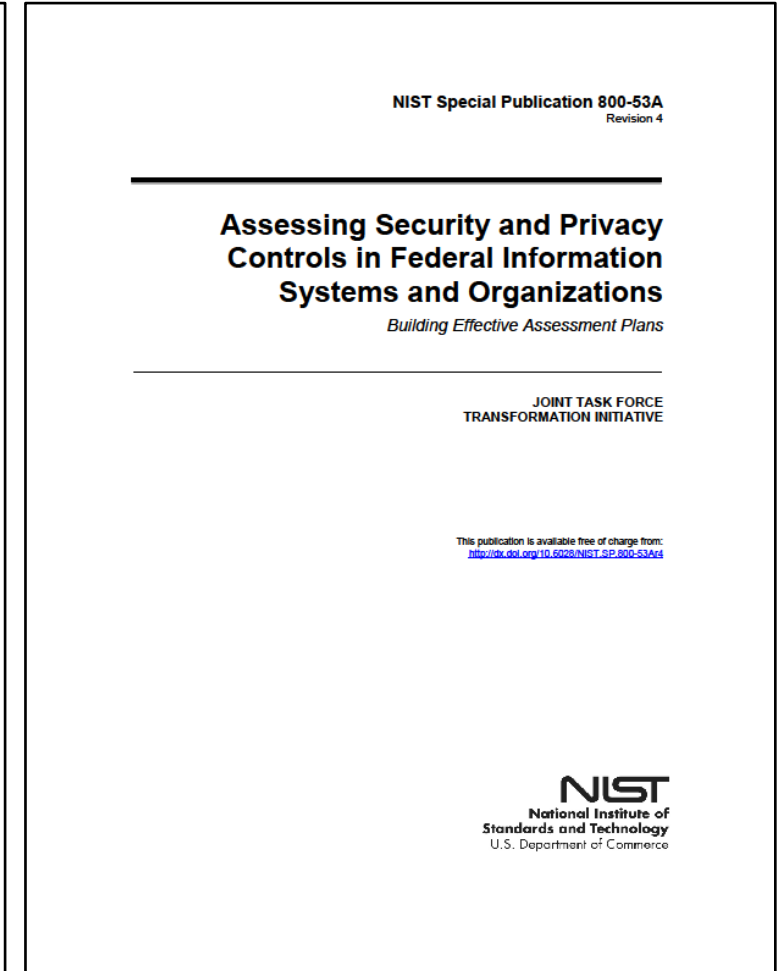
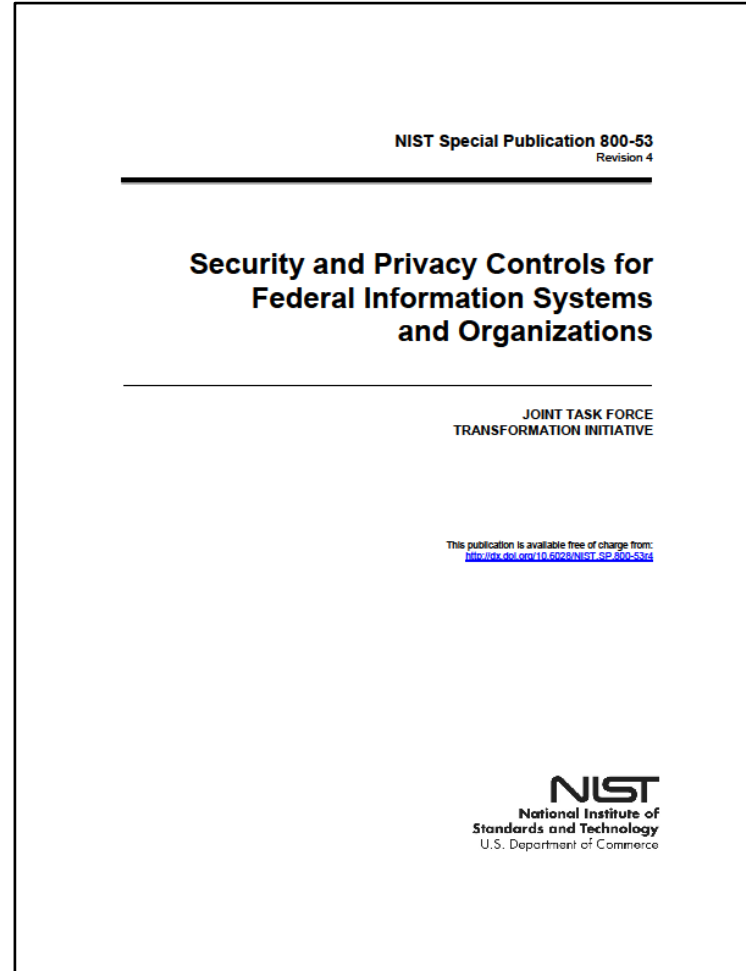
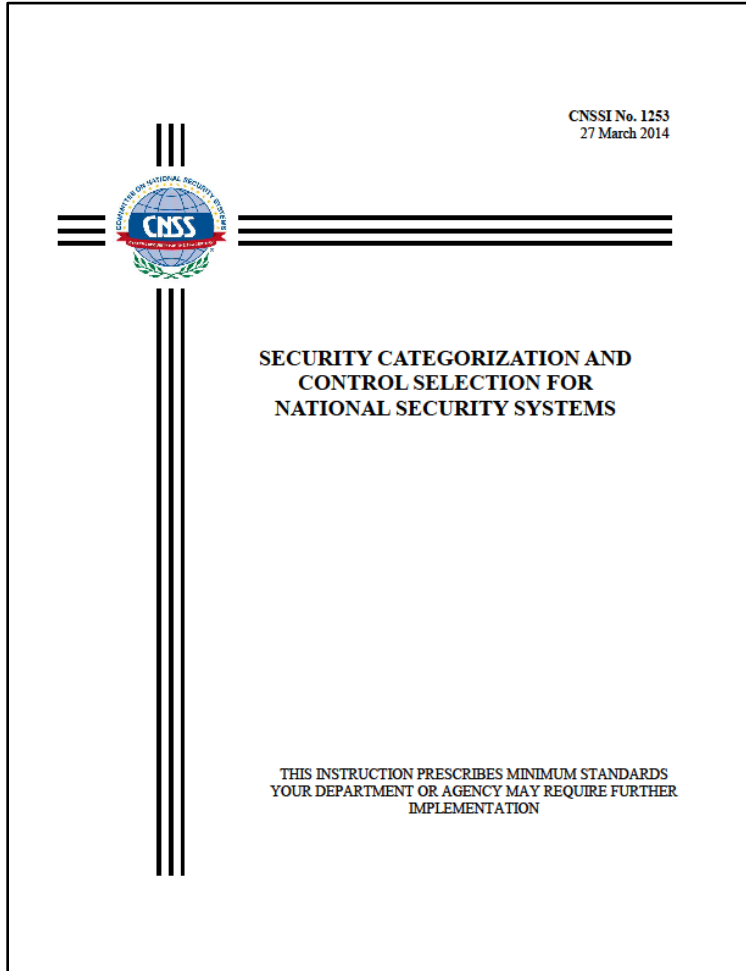
Changing Threats/Vulnerabilities = Never Ending Process (33 Year Old Model)

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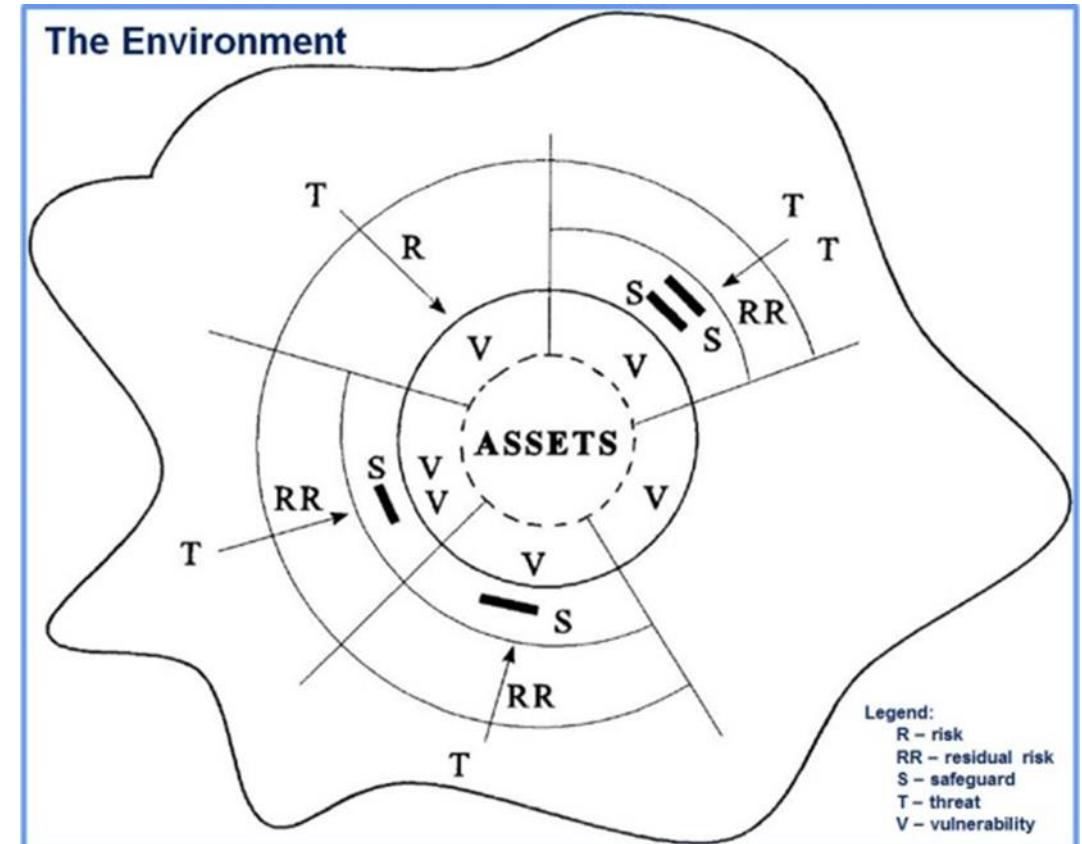
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“Baseline” Assurance to give Owners “Confidence” in the System-of-Interest

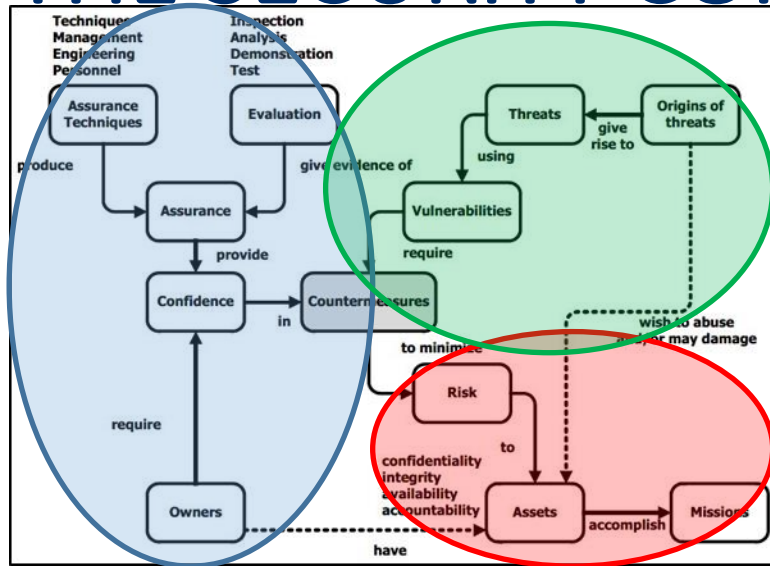
SECURITY ELEMENT RELATIONSHIPS MODEL

- ISO/IEC TR 13335-1:1996
- Information technology – Guidelines for the management of IT Security – Part 1: Concepts and models for IT Security
- Figure 3: Security Element Relationships
- A static representation; no indication as to the “safeguard” being “designed in” (i.e., Baseline) or “added on” (Threat / Vulnerability Analysis Process)
 - Is the “safeguard” part of the Baseline
 - Is the “safeguard” part of the Threat Vulnerability Analysis Process
 - Does not matter



Snap-shot in Time, “Initial Security Control Set” or “Tailored Initial Security Control Set” (33 Year Old Model)

IEEE STD 1012™-2016, (INFORMATIVE) FIGURE J.1 THE SECURITY CONTEXT OF THE SYSTEM



There are two (2) entrances to
“Countermeasures”

- “Baseline” Assurance to give Owners Confidence in the System-of-Interest
 - Threats that use Vulnerabilities and Require Countermeasures
- Both are “Mission Driven”

- One of the objectives of security analysis performed by the V&V effort is to verify that the system-required threat controls and safeguards are correctly implemented and to validate that they provide the desired levels of protection of system vulnerabilities. The other objective is to verify that there is a process for describing the system, software, and hardware process security.
- A system should consider different security issues in each phase of the life cycle because the system owner may change as the product evolves. The V&V security analysis should consider:
 - The context of the system (e.g., the development process and environment, the final operational environment, organization structures and management policy, operational and maintenance personnel roles, interfaces with other external systems or support systems);
 - The system of interest and its elements, threats, vulnerabilities, and countermeasures;
 - Tradeoffs between techniques, operations, and management to address security requirements.
 - Identification of threats. These threats may be natural (e.g., inclement weather, earthquakes), human (e.g., unintended or malicious), or environmental (e.g., chemical leak, power loss).

Cybersecurity (i.e., Security Context) is “Built Into” Verification and Validation



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