

Dependability Problems in Interconnected World

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Abstract—Development of new technologies and especially the basic principles of Industry 4.0 (interconnection, IoT, information transparency, technical assistance, cyber physical systems and decentralization) means not only standard improvements, e.g. increasing of performance, but also some negative issues. Everybody must be on-line 24 hours, there are more and more small things with their own intelligence. The proper trade-off between the price and reliability must be solved always with respect to application. The application-specific systems are used due to possible programmability both hardware and software blocks. It can lead to totally different principles in digital design. Here global overview of problems that must be taken into account in today interconnected world, especially with emphasizing the dependability issues will be presented. There are several basic questions: what does it mean dependability, how to predict proper parameters and how to guarantee them before the final (mostly expensive) production, what model to use and how to validate it and how to verify the final realization, what are and how to overcome the most probable faults, how to combine and express safety and security limits, and finally how to ensure these requirements concurrently both in development and production processes.

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