

Alloy-based Game-theoretic Framework for Analyzing Security Issues in Small-scale Smart Grid Systems

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Background and Motivation

- Small-scale smart grid system
 - A networked group of distributed energy sources (e.g., solar panels, wind turbine) at the power distribution network side
 - One promising and key feature in the future smart-grid system
 - Highly vulnerable to malicious (physical and cyber) attacks



Switching devices (sensor, actuator)

An example of power distribution network



Background and Motivation

- Difficulties in analyzing security issues in small-scale smart grid system
 - Involves multiple self-interested entities (energy providers) -> game theoretic frameworks
 - Complex interdependency between network components/network structure -> formal verification techniques (e.g., Alloy)





Proposed Framework

• N+1 Repeated *Stackelberg* Game



Investigating whether and how the players are able to finally converge to certain stable strategy profile (e.g., Stackelberg equilibrium) such that certain desirable security state (or security property) of the system can be guaranteed.



Thank you!