

OWASP OT Top 10

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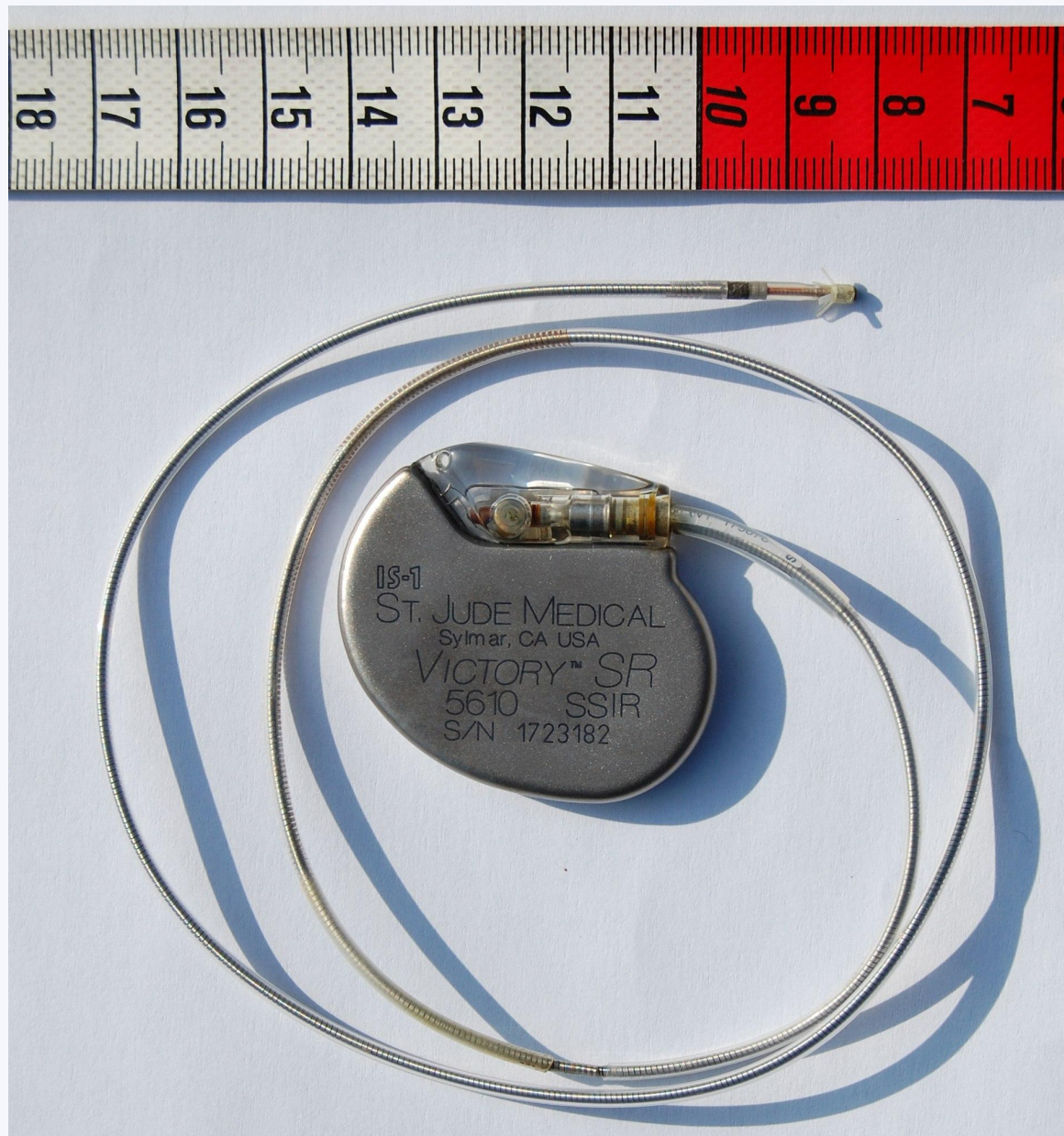
Agenda

- What is Operational Technology (OT)?
- Why is it important?
- What are the OWASP OT Top 10?
 - ..and why am I here?
- Cultural differences between OT and IT (Sec)

What is Operational Technology (OT)?







Why are they important?

OWASP OT Top 10

A Bit of Background

- quite new
 - started in summer 2024
 - hopefully there will be a beta release in 2025
 - video conference every two weeks
- identify top 10 threats for OT networks
- found 'cultural' problems between OT and IT Sec
- full disclosure: I am using you as alpha-testers

Cultural Differences between OT and IT (Security)

Safety/Availability vs. Security

- online shop vs. power plant
- what does the focus upon availability mean for us?
 - what does this mean for updates?
 - special case: regulations
- Simple examples
 - emergency stop switches

Lifecycles

- in the IT world: couple of years
- in the OT world: decades
 - think about power plants, cars, your pacemaker
- What security did we have 30 years ago?
 - do you still get software/hardware support for stuff you bought back then (if you were even alive)?
 - what network protocol security did we have 30 years ago?

Suppliers

- Difference between Plant Owner, Operators, Integrators
- shared responsibility
- few suppliers
 - can lead to security practises more fitting to '99
 - updates? notifications?

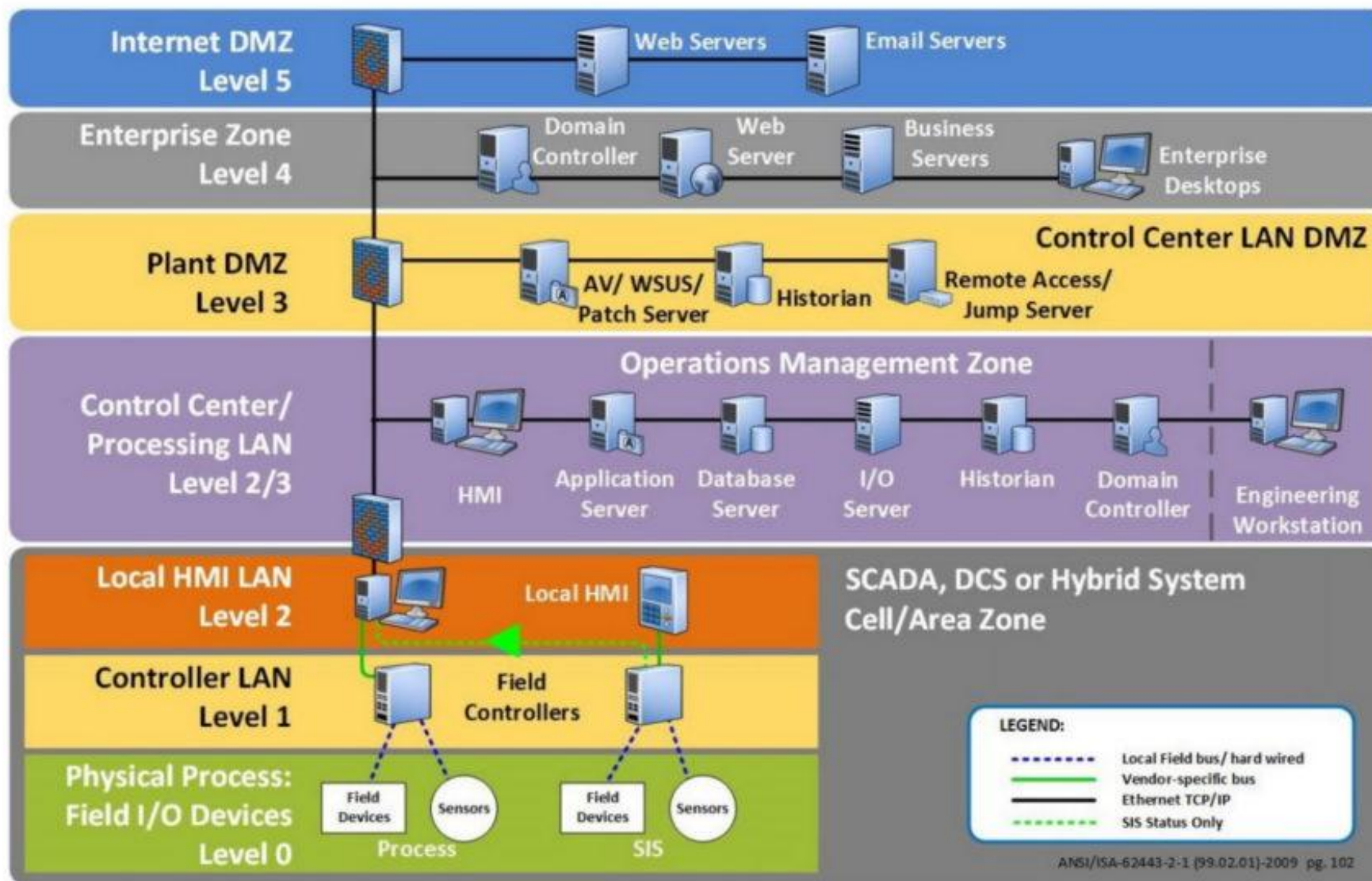
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- network segmentation, physical access control, etc.
- problem: this does not come for free
 - complex architectures
 - more administration
 - people must heed security

What happens if Segmentation fails?





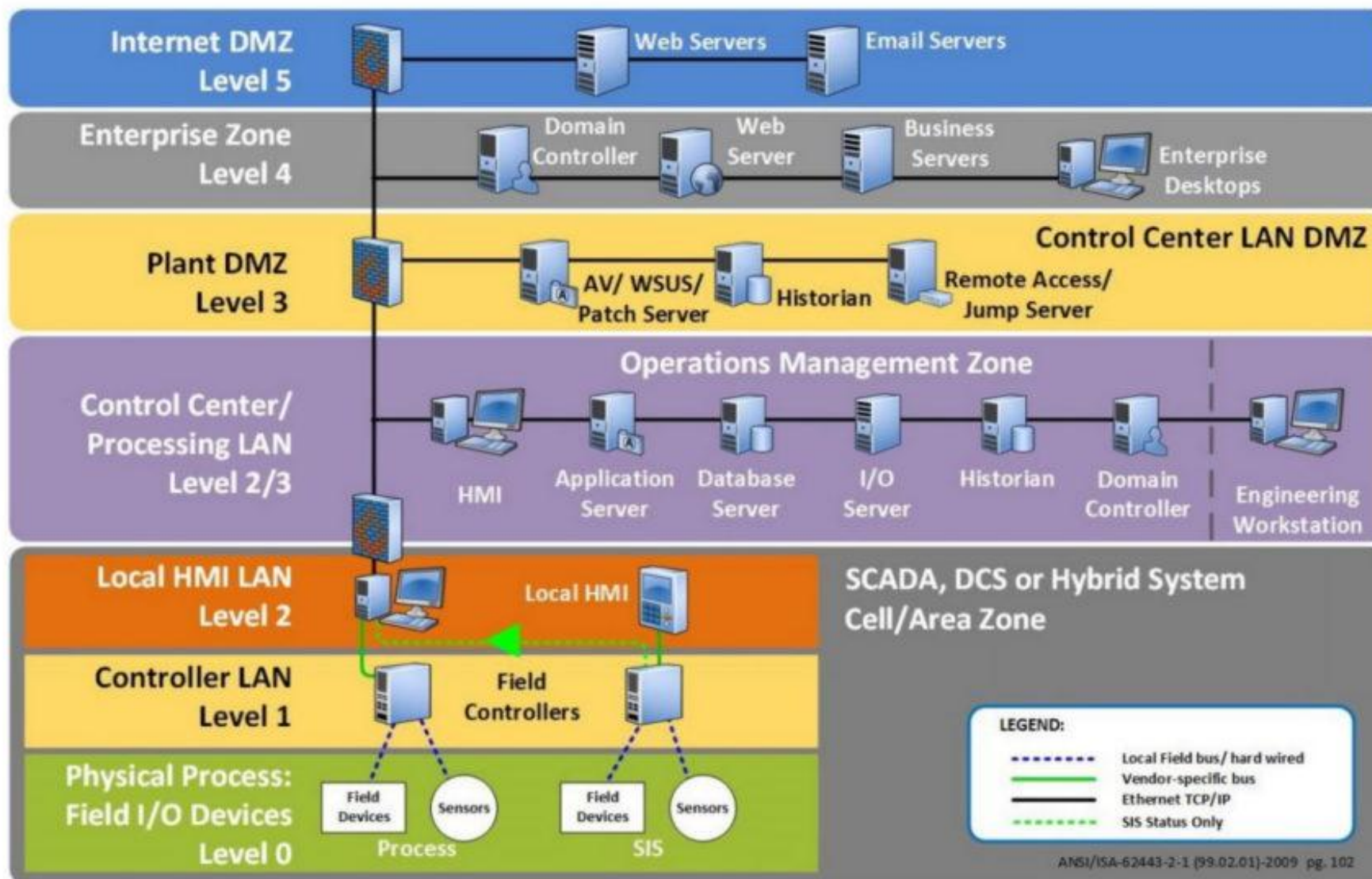
Problem: Blast Radius

How to recover from an incident?

What are common problem?

- missing configuration backups
- missing recovery options
 - how to you restore a pacemaker?

IT and OT are converging



How to involve OT people?

Currently working on this..

- availability/safety needs security
- convenience
- functional requirements
- regulatory pressure

The OWASP OT Top 10 (WIP)

- <https://ot.owasp.org>