



# Joint Safety and Security Analysis for Complex Systems

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# Safety vs. Security

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**Information security  
is a **Hot point**  
of any Critical System**



# ERTMS

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One of the most critical systems is  
**European Rail Traffic Management System  
(ERTMS)**

Is an EU “major European industrial project” to enhance cross-border interoperability and signalling procurement by creating a single Europe-wide standard for railway signalling with the final aim of improving the competitiveness of the rail sector.



# Safety vs. Security for ERTMS

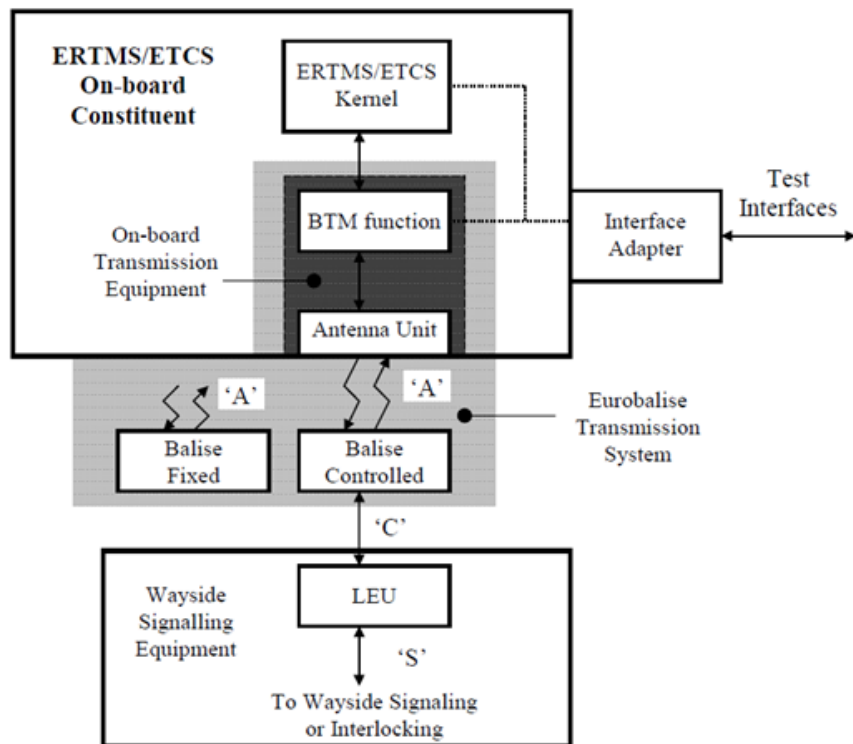
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It is critical to ensure the high level of  
**ERTMS Safety**

Safety level depends on  
**Information Security**



# Eurobalise Transmission System

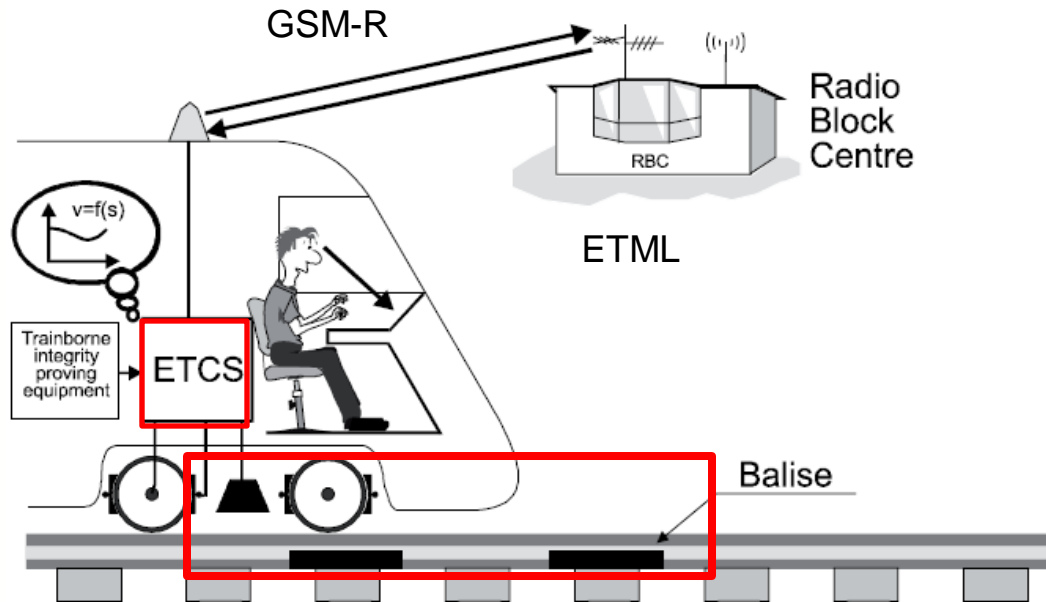


## Eurobalise

1. stores infrastructure data as pre-formatted 'telegrams':
  - position reference,
  - speed limits,
  - line gradient,
  - works on the line,
  - etc.
2. sends to train movement authorities and trackside data (telegrams selected by LEU) when energised by power from train's antenna.



# How to balise work?





Safety Analysis defines hazardous events for balise system in ETRC:

## **HAZARDOUS EVENTS**

### **TRANSBALISE-1(Corruption)**

Incorrect balise group message received by the on-board kernel functions as consistent

### **TRANSBALISE-2(Deletion)**

Balise group not detected by on-board kernel functions (deletion)

### **TRANSBALISE-3(Insertion)**

Inserted balise group message received the on-board kernel functions as consistent



# Hazardous Events for Balise System in ETRC

The subordinate hazards to TRANS-BALISES are defined as:

**EUB-H1** A balise group is not detected, due to failure of a balise group to transmit a detectable signal

**EUB-H4** Transmission of an erroneous telegram interpretable as correct, due to failure within a Balise

**EUB-H7** Erroneous localisation of a Balise Group, with reception of valid telegrams, due to failure within Balises (too strong up-link signal)

**EUB-H8** The order of reported Balises, with reception of valid telegram, is erroneous due to failure within a Balise (too strong up-link signal)

**EUB-H9** Erroneous reporting of a Balise Group in a different track, with reception of valid telegrams, due to failures within Balises (too strong up-link signal)

**BTM-H1** A balise group is not detected, due to failure within the onboard BTM(Balise Transmission Module) function

**BTM-H4** Transmission to the on-board kernel of an erroneous telegram, interpretable as correct, due to failure within the onboard BTM function

**BTM-H7** Erroneous localisation of a Balise Group, with reception of valid telegrams, due to failure within the on-board BTM function (erroneous threshold function or significantly excessive Tele-powering signal)

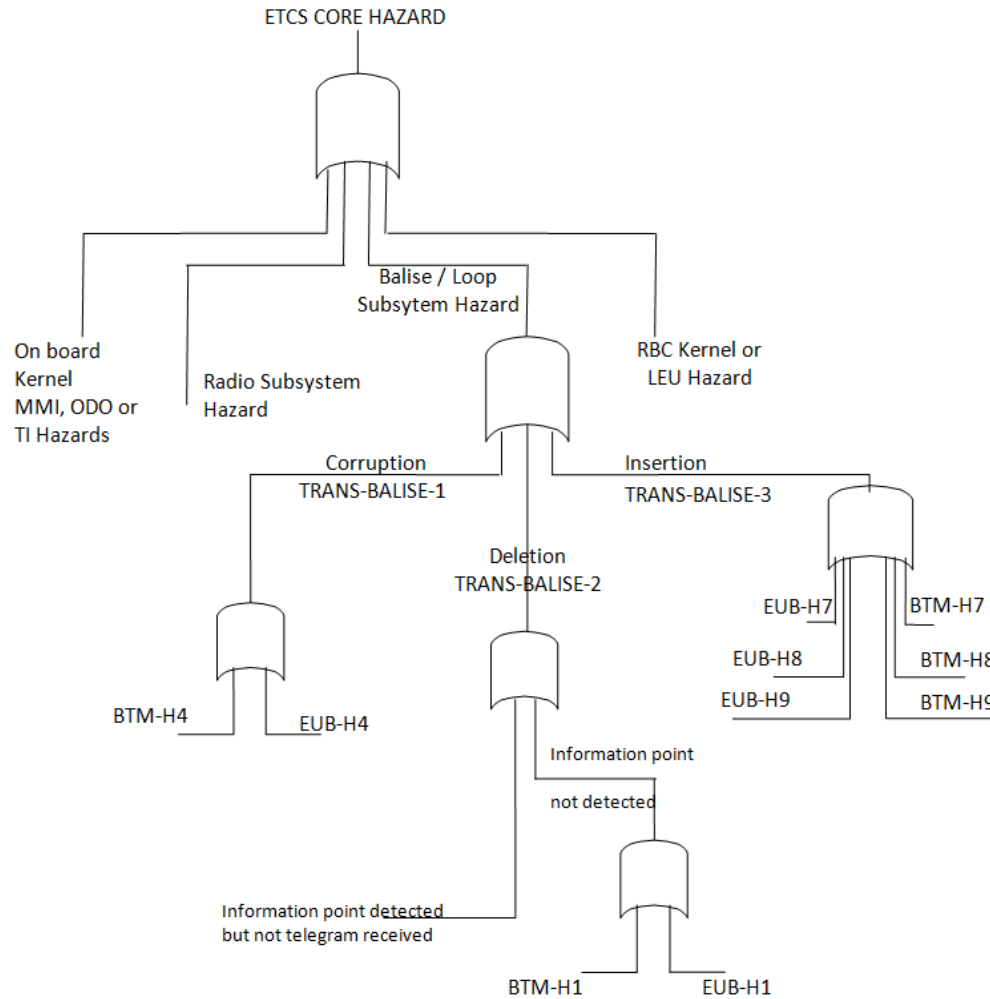
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# Fault Tree Analysis





# Security problems of Safety Analysis

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Currently  
**Safety Analysis**  
and  
**Information Security Analysis**  
are made  
**separately**



# The goal of the research

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To find the method  
how to take into account  
the Information Security problems  
while Safety Analysis  
based on  
existing Safety and Security standards



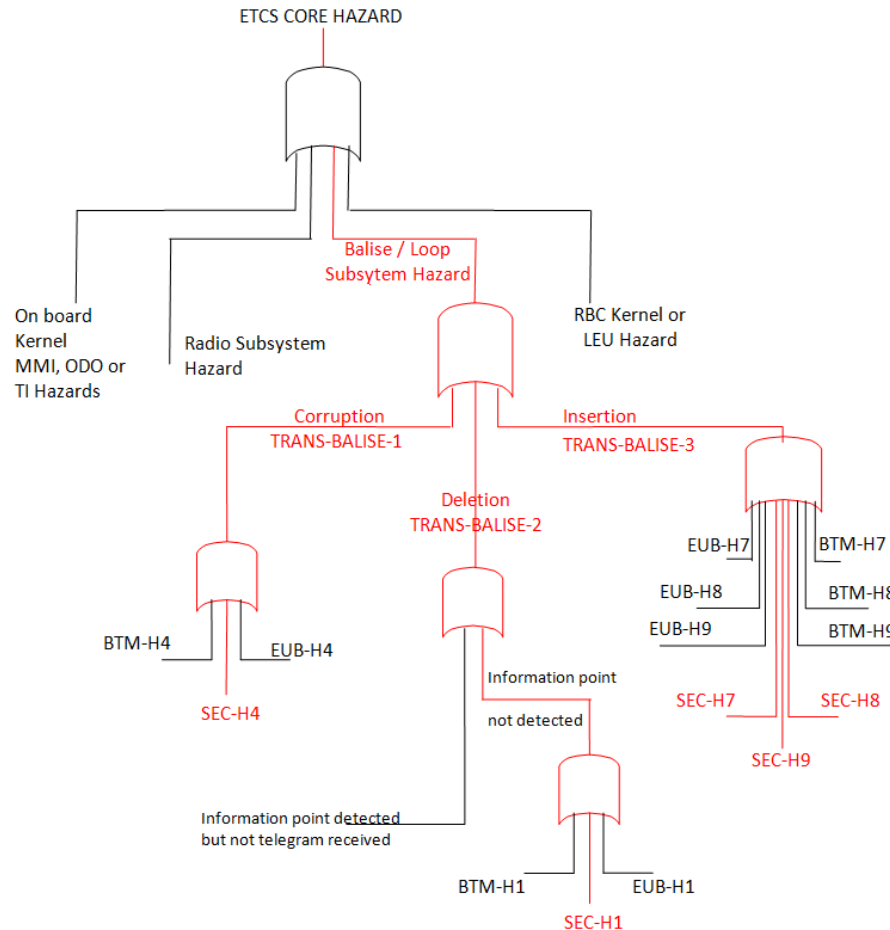
# Security Hazards List

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- SEC-H1 – A Balise is not detected due to the attacker.
- SEC-H4 – Transmission of an erroneous telegram interpretable as correct due to the attacker.
- SEC-H7 - Erroneous localisation of a Balise with reception of valid telegram due to the attacker.
- SEC-H8 – The order of reported Balises, with reception of valid telegram, is erroneous due to the attacker.
- SEC-H9 – Erroneous reporting of a Balise in a different track, with reception of valid telegram due to the attacker.



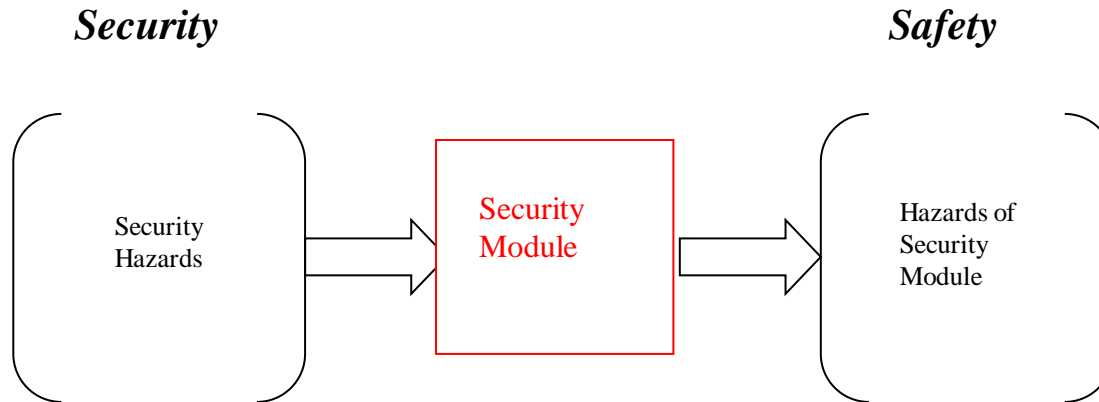
# Fault Tree with Security Hazards



Without implementation of special information security methods the probability of successful attack is equal to 1!

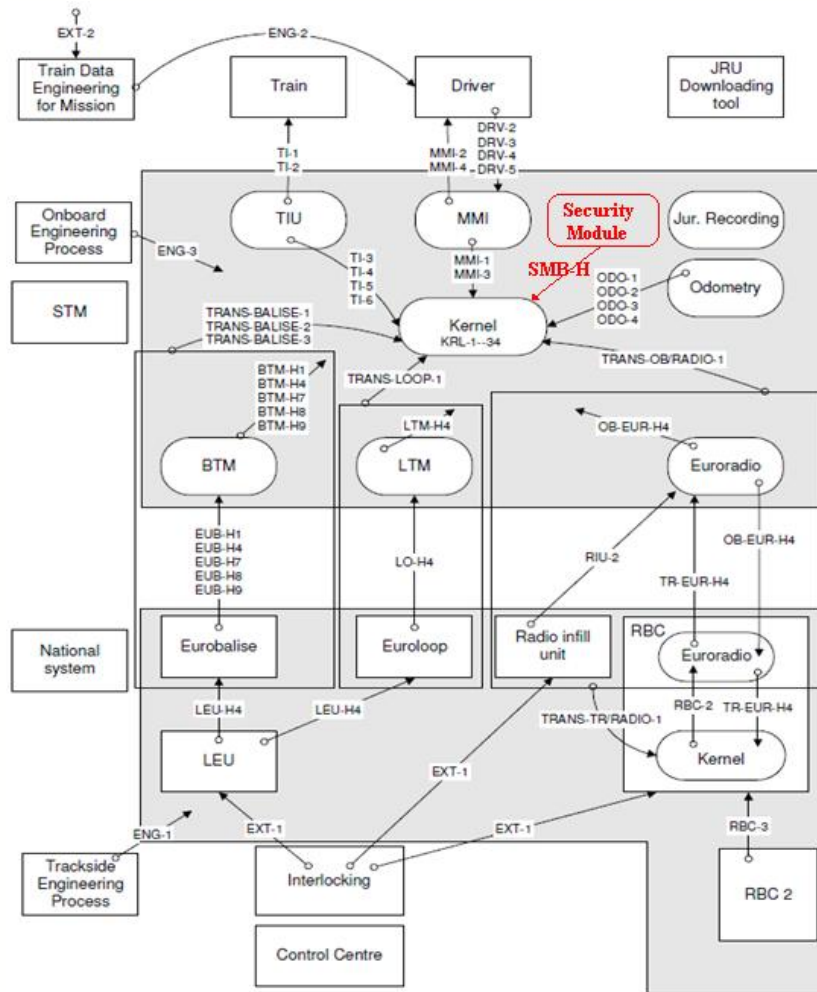


# Security Module Approach



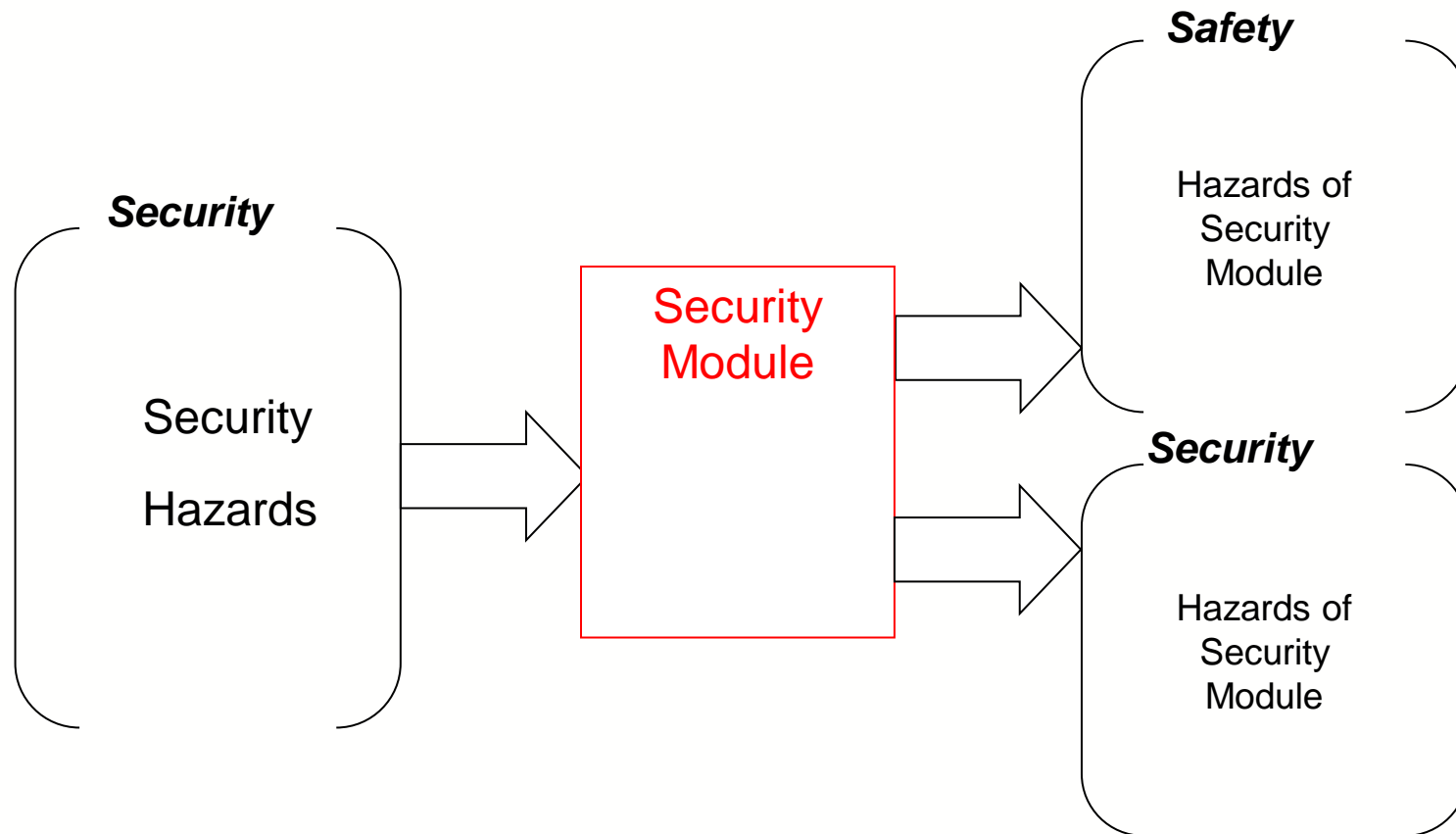


# Graphical representation of the hazardous events of ETCS





# Security Module







# The List of Security Module Hazards:

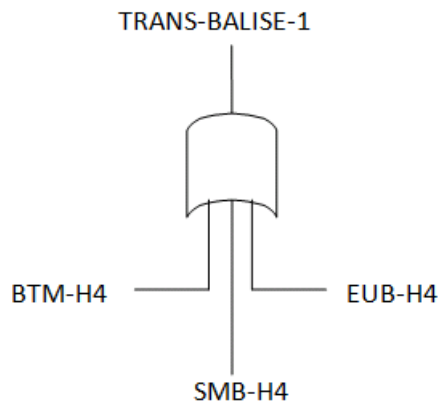
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- **SMB-H1** – A balise group is not detected, due to the failure of security module.
- **SMB-H4** – Transmission of an erroneous telegram interpretable as correct, due to failure of security module.
- **SMB-H7** – Erroneous localization of a Balise Group, with reception of valid telegrams, due to failure of security module.
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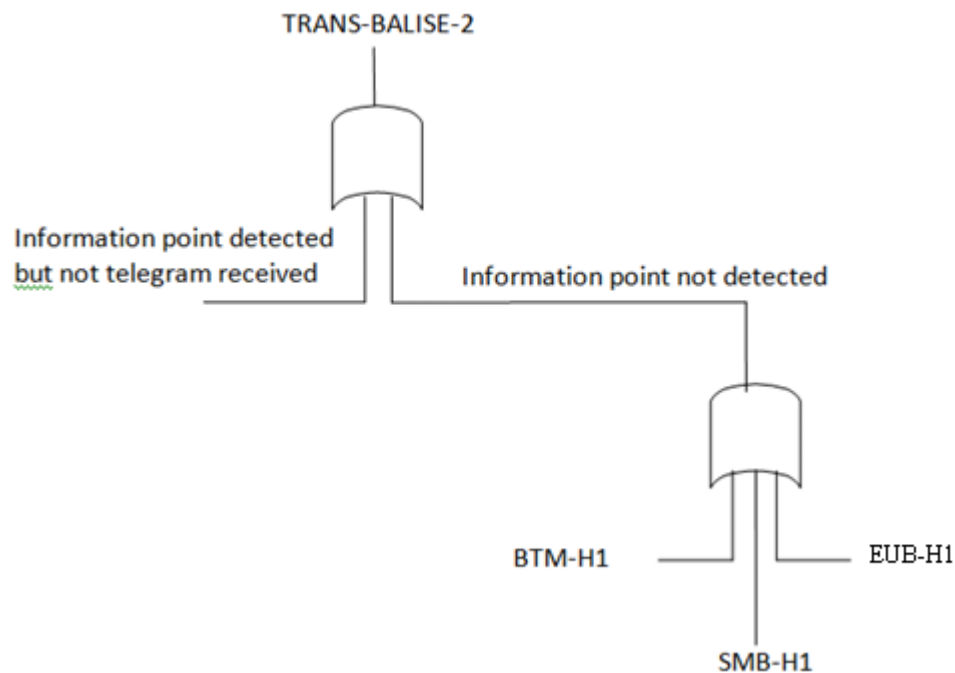


# Fault Trees with Security Module

## Corruption

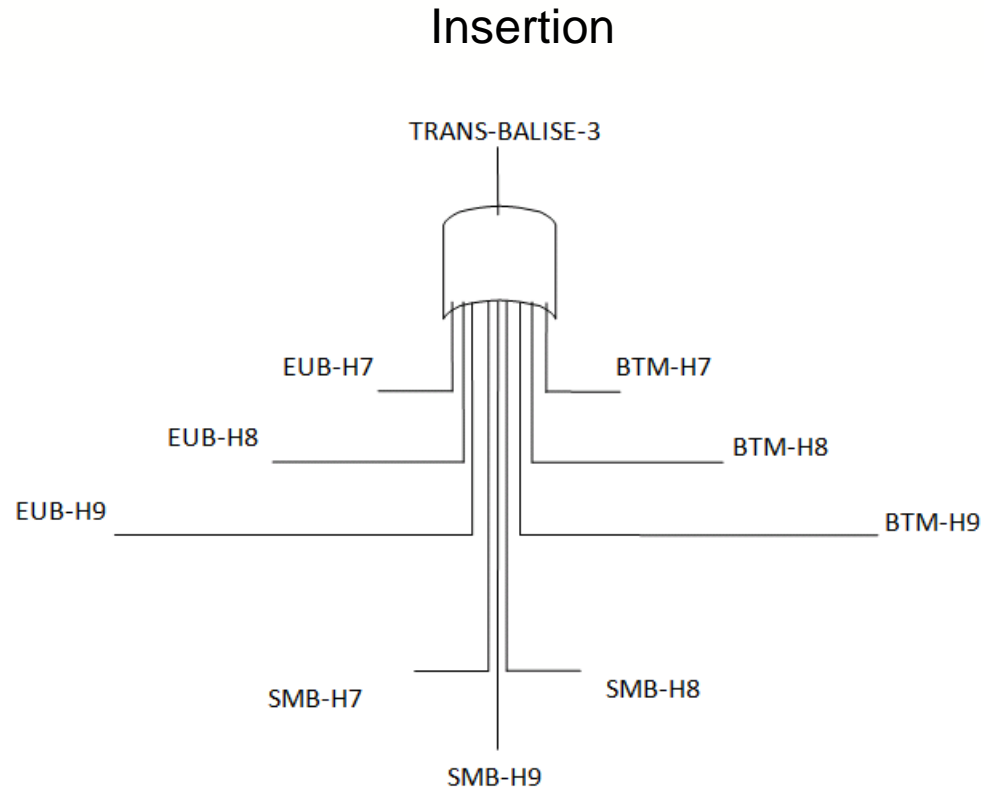


## Deletion



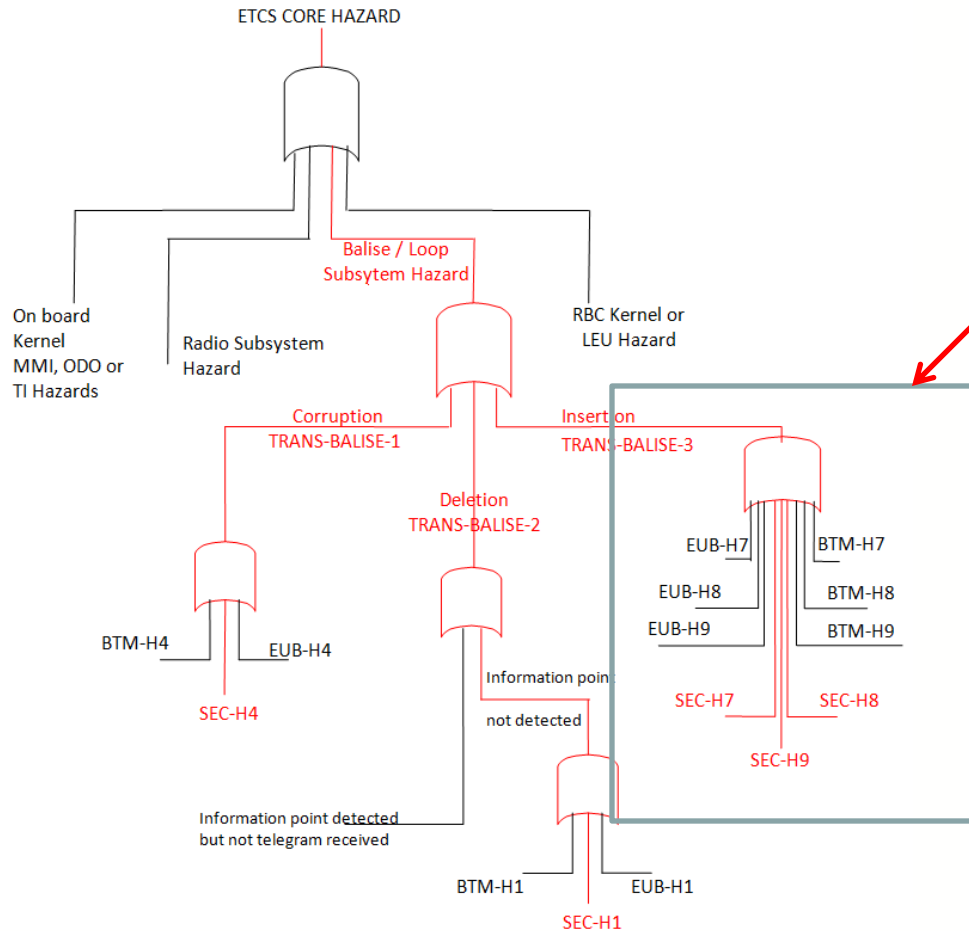


# Fault Tree for Insertion/Cross Talk





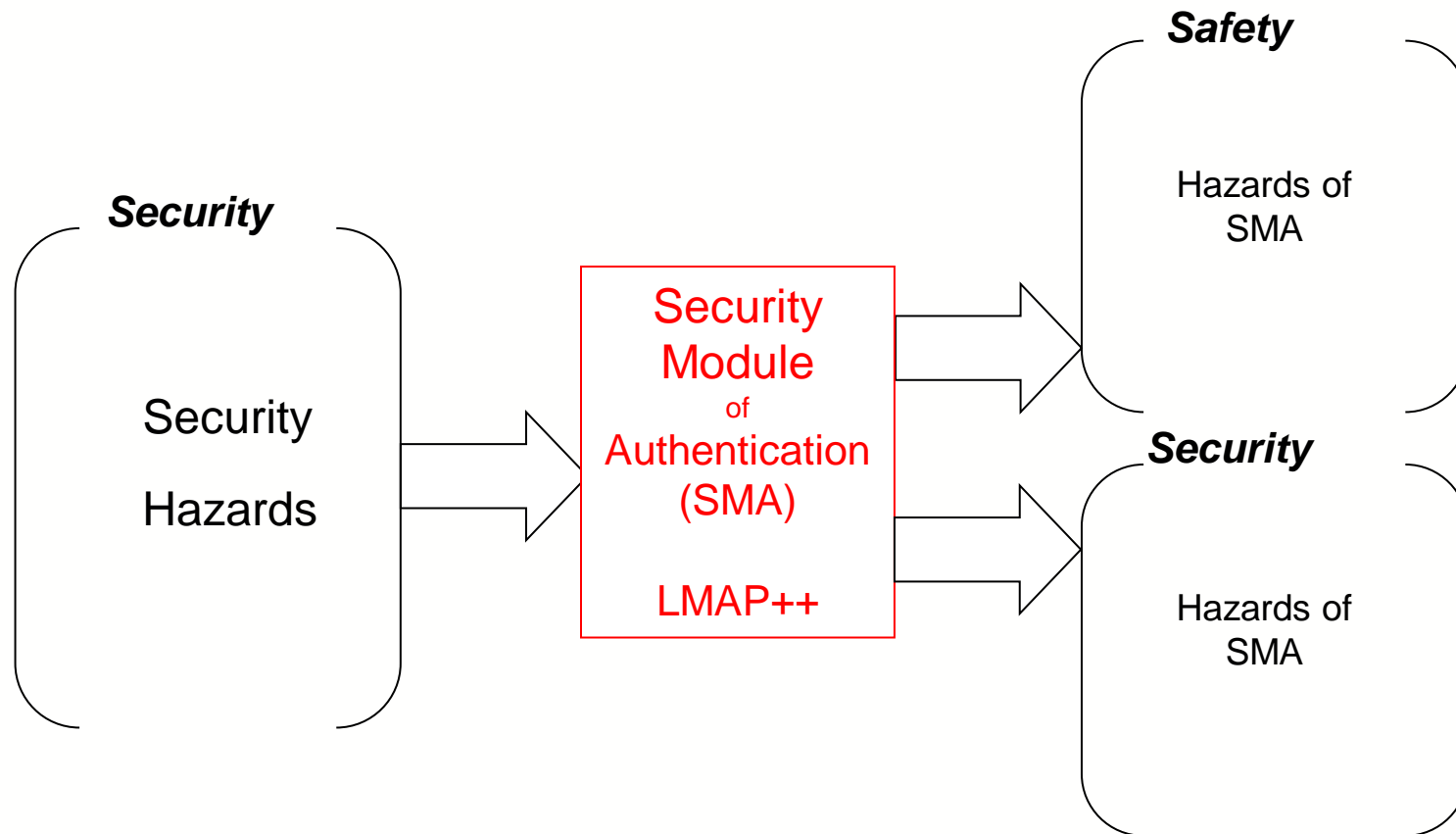
# Example attack on Eurobalise



Masquerade attack on Eurobalise -> Integrity security problem



# Security Module



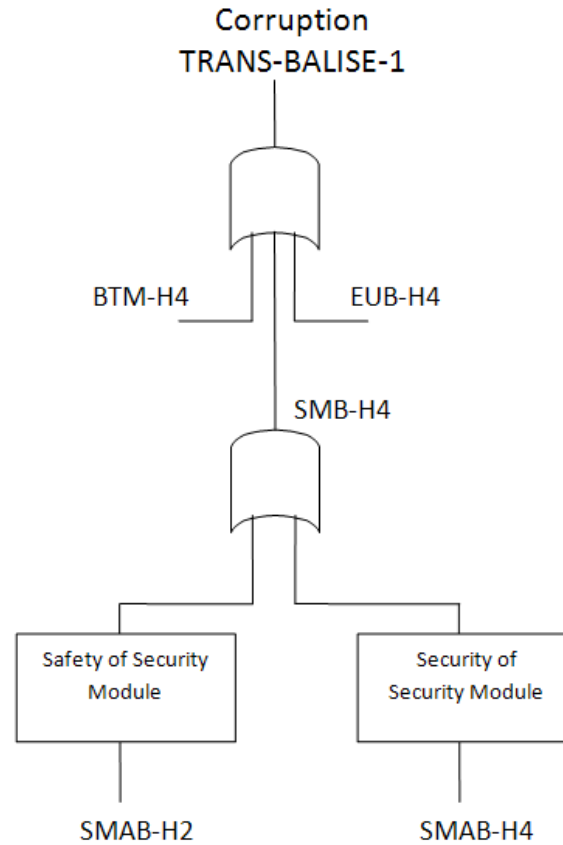


# Hazards List for Authentication Module

Type of Security Module Hazard	No.	Hazard Description	Origin of failure
Safety hazards of Security Module	SMAB-H1	The Balise is not detected	Security module
	SMAB-H2	Wrong authentication	Security module
	SMAB-H3	Delay	Security module
Security hazards of Security Module	SMAB-H4	Successful Brute force Attack	Attacker
	SMAB-H5	Successful Desynchronization Attack	Attacker



# FTA for TRANS-BALISE-1 with SMAB

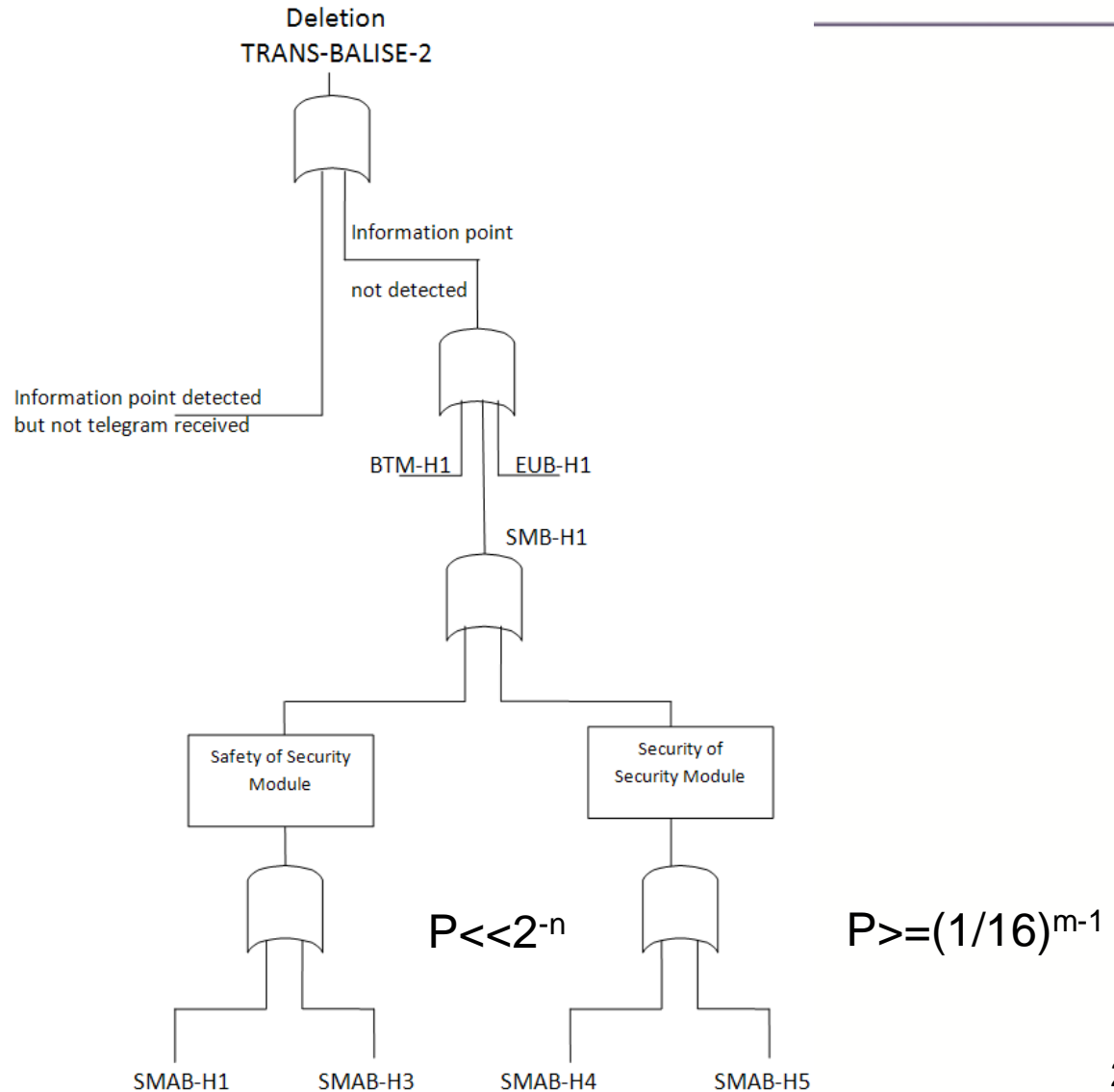


$$P \ll 2^{-n}$$

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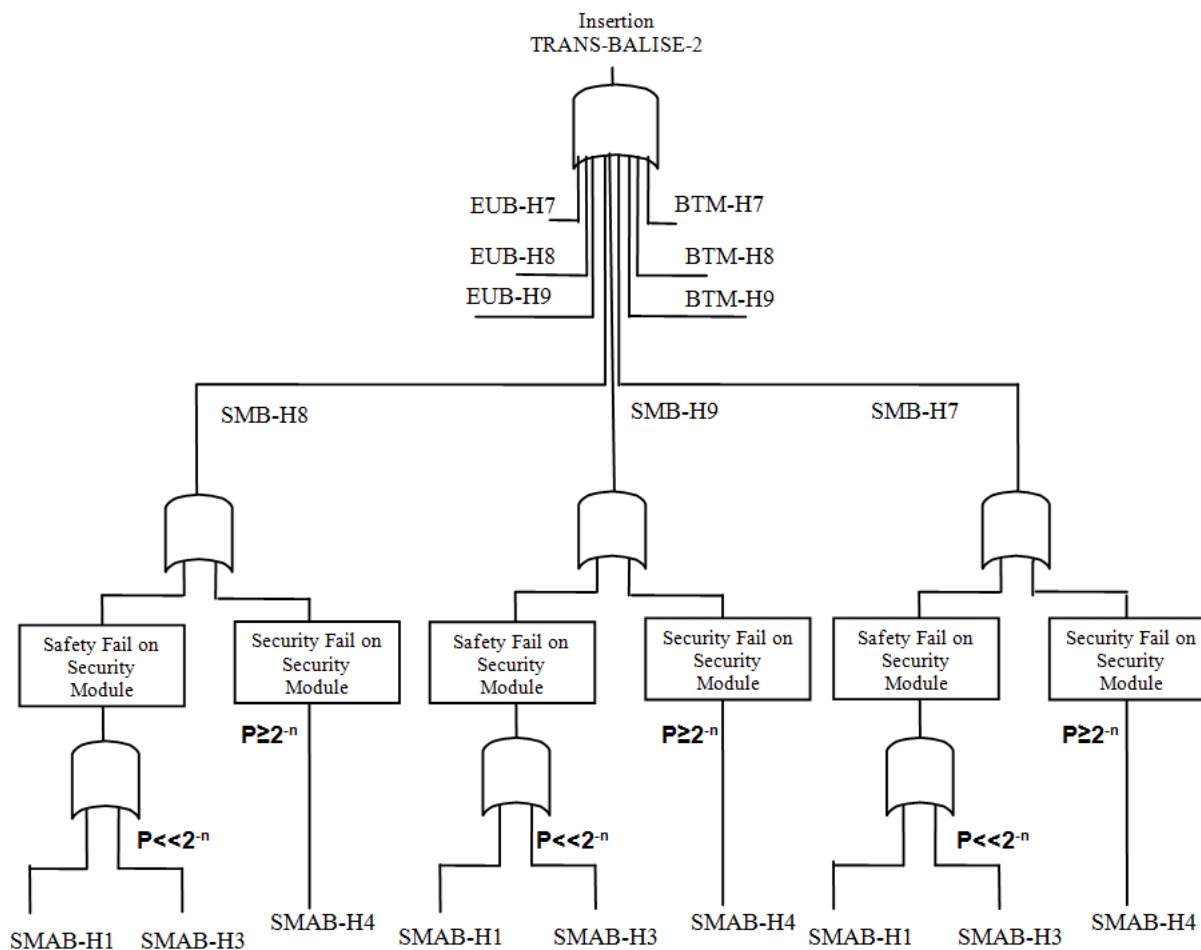
# FTA for TRANS-BALISE-2 with SMAB







# FTA for TRANS-BALISE-3 with SMAB





# Conclusion

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- It was found that there is no concerted method to develop safe and secure systems by using actual safety and security standards.
- The safety standards for ETCS were analyzed. It was found that for ETCS there is no consideration of security hazards.
- It was suggested to add a special Security Module to take into account a Security Hazards for standard fault tree analyses of safety.
- It was shown that total level of System Safety can be increased by using Security Module.



# Q&A

Thank you for attention!