**Challenge**

Reduce operational risks for complex system-of-systems developed as a new-technology R&D effort with multiple suppliers.

**Solution**


**Results**

Reduced the risks of systems and software by introducing hazard-mitigating features and enhanced fault detection to meet safety regulations.

The client needed to mitigate the risks of employing new and unproven technologies for an R&D project developing a complex system featuring very safety-critical functions. Prenscia Solutions instituted a MIL-STD-882E safety program and performed hazard analyses for the system hardware, software, maintenance and used interfaces to identify and introduce key features for detecting faults, fail-safe and fail-fast behavior.
The Challenge

The client had unknown safety ramifications of new technologies of a complex system. It featured subsystems from multiple suppliers that resulted in distributed computing and decision making, and complex subsystem interfaces. Adding to the challenge, the end-user was not being adequately trained.

The Solution

Prenscia Solutions’ hazard analyses identified the critical sections of software source code most impacting safety and risk; these were then a focus for very rigorous design, development and testing for robustness.

We generated new safety requirements and built a Hazard Tracking database to track system, hardware, software, user, and maintenance hazards to quantitatively assess the risks of the system.

The Results

Our services identified that less than 10% of the code could cause safety hazards. This meant that the rigorous and costly development practices only applied to a small portion of the codebase.

Our introduction of additional safety features and the quantitative risk assessments allowed the client to meet safety regulatory requirements.

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