

C8 - Critical Systems Safety

Objectives

- Understand the challenges of system safety
- Explore methods of formal proofs
- Understand the development standards applicable
 - IEC 61508
 - DO-254
 - DO-178B and C
- Understand certification issues

Prerequisites

- Basic knowledge of embedded and real-time systems

Course Environment

- Theoretical course
 - PDF course material (in English) supplemented by a printed version.
 - The trainer answers trainees' questions during the training and provide technical and pedagogical assistance.
- At the start of each session the trainer will interact with the trainees to ensure the course fits their expectations and correct if needed

Target Audience

- Any embedded systems engineer or technician with the above prerequisites.

Evaluation modalities

- The prerequisites indicated above are assessed before the training by the technical supervision of the trainee in his company, or by the trainee himself in the exceptional case of an individual trainee.
- Trainee progress is assessed by quizzes offered at the end of various sections to verify that the trainees have assimilated the points presented
- At the end of the training, each trainee receives a certificate attesting that they have successfully completed the course.
 - In the event of a problem, discovered during the course, due to a lack of prerequisites by the trainee a different or additional training is offered to them, generally to reinforce their prerequisites, in agreement with their company manager if applicable.

Plan

First Day

System Safety

- Risk Analysis
- Analysis Techniques
 - Analysing defects causes and effects
 - Fault Tree Analysis

- Safety Certification
- Technical failure prevention
 - Inherent system safety
 - Limiting the effect of failures
- Safety and reliability

Formal proofs

- Need for formal specification
- Formal specifications methods

Example:: Proofs using invariants, pre-and post-conditions

Software safety standards

- The IEC 61508 Standard
 - Integrity Levels (SIL 1 to 4)
 - Validation
- The DO-178 and DO-254 standards
 - System Safety Assessment
 - Software Levels (A to E)
 - Qualification tools
- Other Standards
- Other standards

Second Day

The DO-178 certification process

- Certification Authorities
 - FAA (Federal Aviation Administration)
 - EASA (European Aviation Safety Agency)
 - JAA (European Joint Aviation Authorities)
 - CAB (Japan Civil Aviation Bureau)
 - ...
- Certification Procedures
- Various types of certificates
 - Type Certificate (TC)
 - Supplemental Type Certificate
- The TSO (Technical Service Order)
- The DER (Designated Engineering Representatives)
 - Difference between the FAA and EASA
- The path to a successful certification

The DO-178B Standard

- The DO-178B development model
 - DO-178B and DO-254
 - The system development life cycle
 - The life cycle processes
 - Difference between verification and testing
- The software development process
 - Development Support
 - Development
 - Quality Assurance
 - Certification
- The audit framework
 - Reviews
 - Analysis

- Tests
- Requirements traceability
 - Requirement-based tests
 - Test coverage
- DO-178B and off-the-shelf products

Third day

The DO-178C

- Why a new standard
 - Purpose of the DO-178C
 - Strategy definition
 - Structure of the DO-178C standard
- The differences with DO-178B
 - Clarifications of the standard
 - Changes in the document core
 - New items
- Supplements
 - DO-330: Tool Qualification
 - DO-331: Model Based Development
 - DO-332: Object Oriented Technology
 - DO-333: Formal Methods

Renseignements pratiques

Inquiry : 3 days