



THE PROBLEM

Autonomous systems are making decisions faster than humans can supervise. The DoD’s Replicator Initiative is scaling autonomous mass across every domain. The Collaborative Combat Aircraft program is fielding AI wingmen alongside human pilots. Both demand governance infrastructure that does not yet exist — no standardized architecture enforces authority boundaries in real-time.

THE SOLUTION: AUTHREX GOVERNANCE ARCHITECTURE

AUTHREX is a research program developing governance architectures that manage the full lifecycle of authority within autonomous systems: trust evaluation, authority computation, command gating, multi-agent consensus, deliberation enforcement, adversarial deception detection, and deterministic recovery.

FRAMEWORK	FULL NAME	FUNCTION
SATA	Sensor & Actor Trust Assessment	Dempster-Shafer trust fusion
HMAA	Human-Machine Authority Allocation	4-level authority, asymmetric hysteresis
ADARA	Adversarial Deception-Aware Reasoning	Deception probability discounting
MAIVA	Multi-Agent Integrity Voting & Aggregation	Byzantine-resilient consensus ($f < n/3$)
FLAME	Forced Latency for Authority-Managed Escalation	Mandatory deliberation windows
CARA	Controlled Authority Recovery Architecture	Deterministic GREP-phase recovery
ERAM	Escalation Risk Assessment Model	Escalation trajectory analysis for C2

CROSS-DOMAIN PORTABILITY

DOMAIN	PLATFORM	SPEC	STANDARD	APPLICATION
DEFENSE	BLADE-EDGE	72 comp · \$139K	DoDD 3000.09	Directed energy governance
MARITIME	BLADE-MARITIME	84 comp · \$43K	MIL-STD-810G	Patrol vessel surveillance
INFRASTRUCTURE	BLADE-INFRA	92 comp · \$12K	SIL 3 / NERC CIP	ICS/SCADA protection
AUTOMOTIVE	BLADE-AV	62 comp · \$16K	ISO 26262 ASIL-D	Drive-by-wire authority

DUAL-USE APPLICATION MATRIX

DEFENSE APPLICATION	FRAMEWORK	COMMERCIAL APPLICATION
Fratricide prevention under EW spoofing	SATA + ADARA	AV: forced override during sensor degradation
UAV swarm Byzantine node compromise	MAIVA	Warehouse robotics: isolating malfunctioning units
Maritime GPS spoofing into foreign waters	ADARA + ERAM	Commercial shipping: rerouting loss prevention
Power grid SCADA command injection	FLAME + CARA	Industrial: deliberation before load-shedding

EVIDENCE & READINESS

4 U.S. Provisional Patents

63/999,105 · 64/000,170 · 64/002,453 · 64/005,607

23 DOI-Verified Publications

12 Zenodo records · 11 SSRN papers · CC BY 4.0

12 Browser Simulations

Seeded PRNG · bit-exact reproducibility

6 Physical Research Platforms

Rover · UAV · BLADE-EDGE · MARITIME · INFRA · AV

TECHNOLOGY READINESS LEVEL

Governance Frameworks	TRL 2–3	PUBLISHED
Browser Simulations	TRL 3–4	IMPLEMENTED
Hardware Platforms (BLADE)	TRL 2–3	DESIGNED
Physical Testbeds	TRL 3	PROTOTYPE

STRATEGIC ROADMAP

Q2 2026	CURRENT	7 frameworks · 4 patents · 4 BLADE designs · 12 simulations · 23 publications
Q3 2026	NEXT	Hardware assembly · Patent conversion · FPGA RTL · UAV flight validation
Q4 2026	PLANNED	SATA-FLAME on FPGA (TRL 4→5) · SBIR Phase II · BLADE-MARITIME integration
Q1–Q2 2027	TARGET	TRL 5→6 · Utility patents (projected) · Research partnership / CRADA

VERIFICATION & VALIDATION

Simulation (current) → Formal Logic / TLA+ (in progress) → HITL / Zynq FPGA (Q3 2026) → Physical Testbed (Q4 2026)

Aligned with: DoDD 3000.09 · NIST AI RMF 1.0 · MIL-STD-882E · ISO 26262 · NERC CIP · IEC 61850