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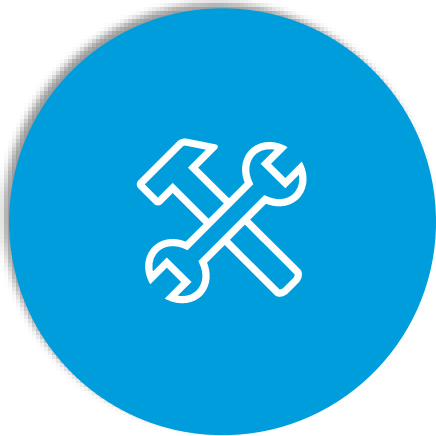
# CYBER DEFENSE MATURITY ASSESSMENT

Cyber Defense gemessen, bewertet, verbessert und endlich wieder ruhig schlafen

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# AGENDA



Cyber Defense

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high level goal



Measure Cyber Defense

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assess the technical security level



Defense Optimization

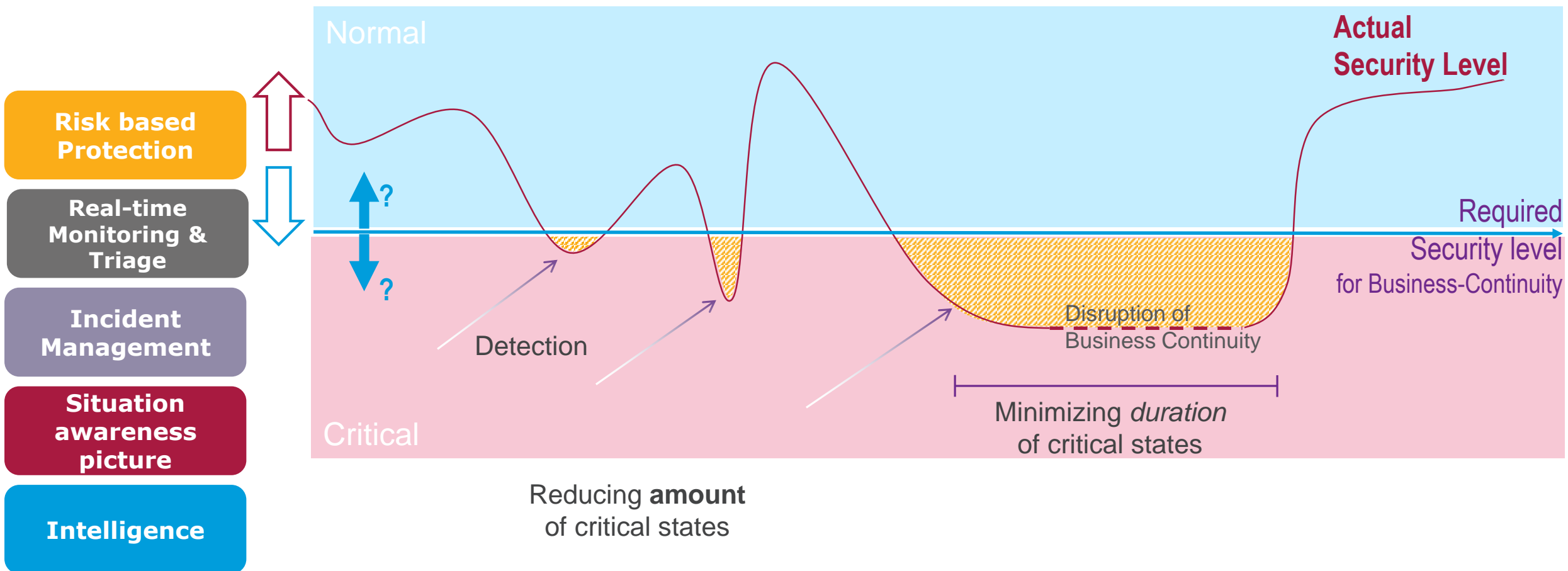
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strategic investments



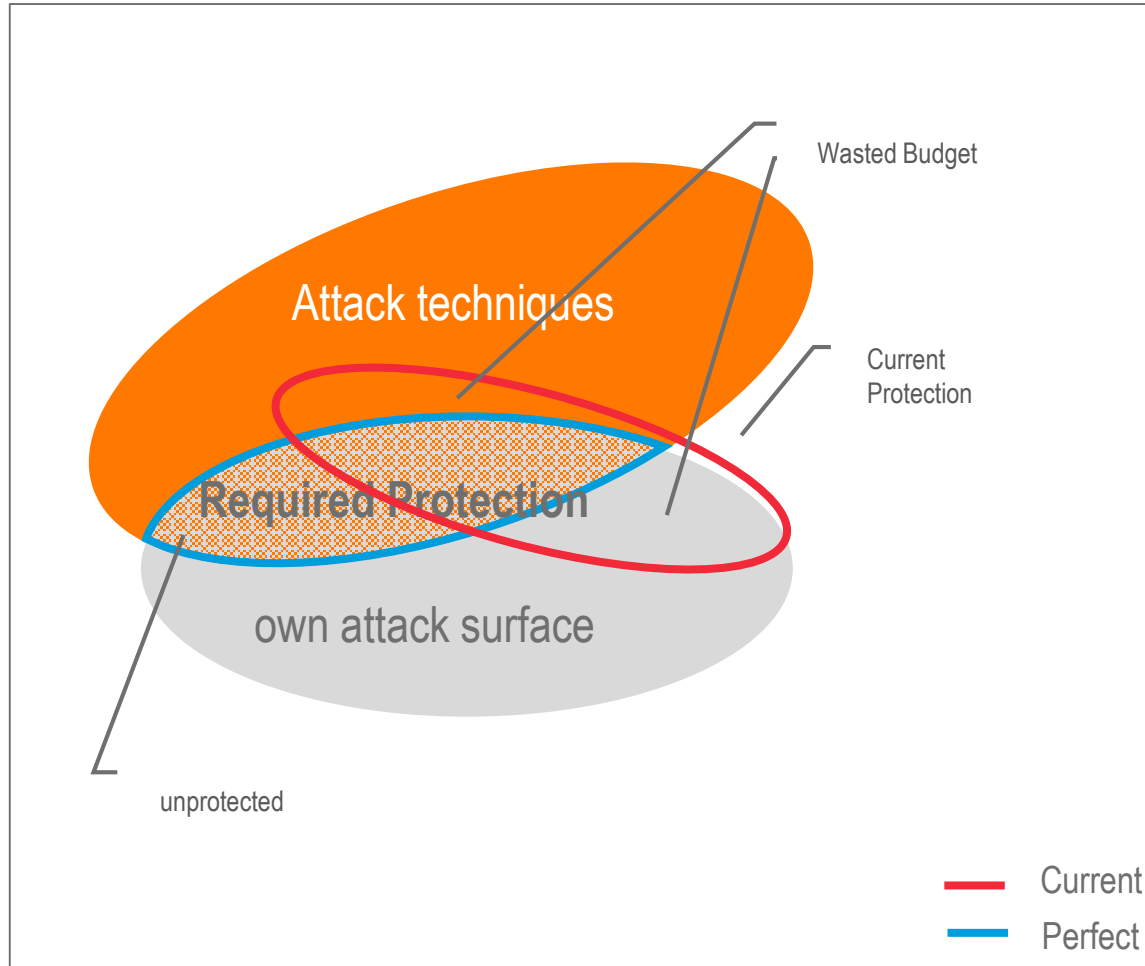
# GENERAL CYBER DEFENSE STRATEGY

## DETECTION, REACTION, RESILIENCE



# CYBER DEFENSE MATURITY

## ADAPTING SECURITY TO THE REQUIRED SCOPE



- If you know
  - the threats,
  - the attacker,
  - used techniques and
  - the own attack surface.

→ You can adjust the cyber protection perfectly

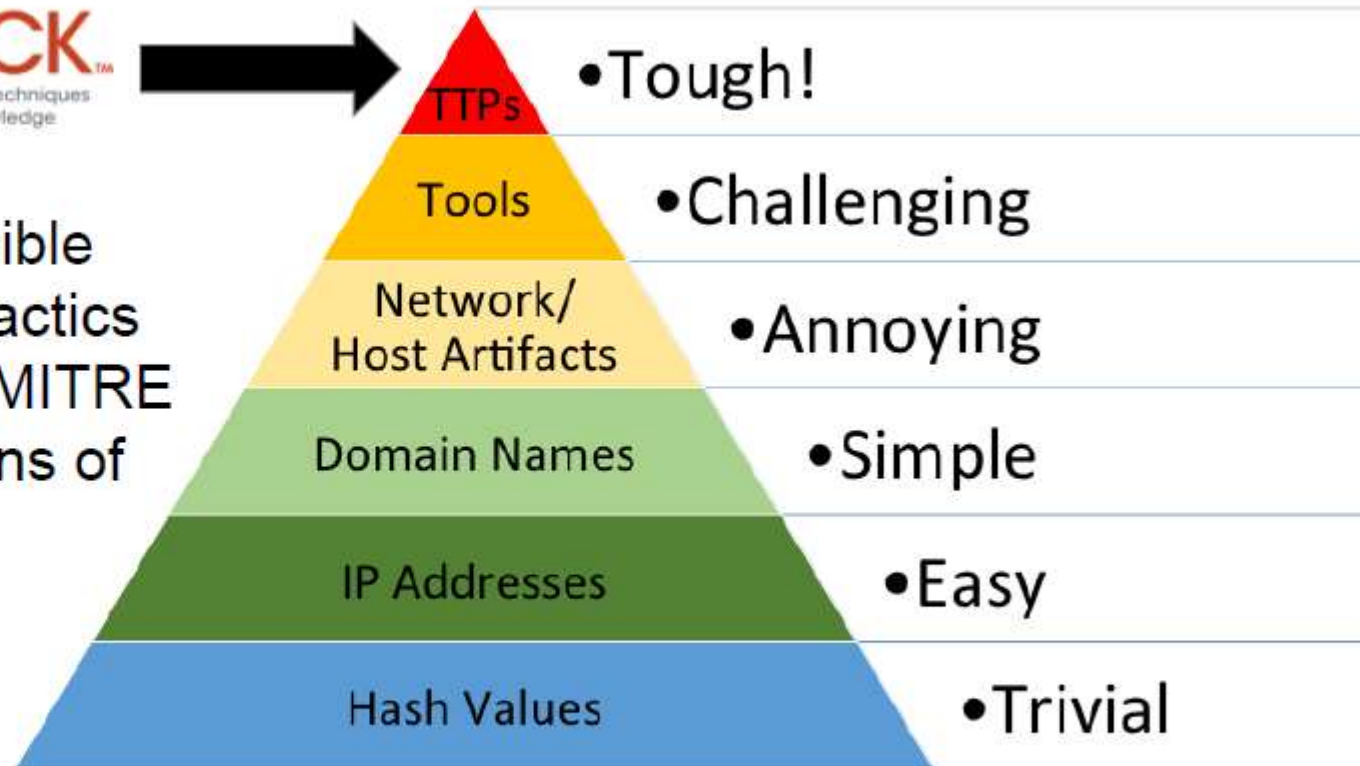


# MITRE ATT&CK

## OVERVIEW ON ATTACKER TECHNIQUES AND ATTACK PHASES

ATT&CK™ is a globally-accessible knowledge base of adversary tactics and techniques, developed by MITRE based on real-world observations of adversaries' operations.

**ATT&CK™**  
Adversarial Tactics, Techniques  
& Common Knowledge



Source: David Bianco

<https://detect-respond.blogspot.com/2013/03/the-pyramid-of-pain.html>

TTPs = Tactics, Techniques, and Procedures



# ATT&CK FOR ENTERPRISE

Attacker Techniques – how a goal is achieved

Initial Access	Execution	Persistence
10 items	33 items	58 items
Drive-by Compromise	AppleScript	.bash_profile
Exploit Public-Facing Application	CS/STP	.bashrc
Hardware Additions	Command-Line Interface	Accessibility
Replication Through Removable Media	Compiled HTML File	Account
Spearphishing Attachment	Control Panel Items	AppCenter
Spearphishing Link	Dynamic Data Exchange	Appointments
Spearphishing via Service	Execution through API	Appointments
Supply Chain Compromise	Module Load	Authenticating
Trusted Relationship	Exploitation for Client Execution	BITS Jobs
Valid Accounts	Graphical User Interface	Bootkit
	InstallUtil	Browser
	Launchctl	Change Association
	Local Job Scheduling	Component Model
	LSASS Driver	Component Model
	Msihta	Create Account
	PowerShell	DLL Search Hijacking
	Regsvcs/Regasm	Dylib Hijacking
	Regsvr32	External Services
	Rundll32	File System Weakness
	Scheduled Task	Hidden Directories
	Scripting	Hidden Directories
	Service Execution	Hooking
	Signed Binary Proxy Execution	Hypervisor
	Signed Script Proxy Execution	Scheduled Task
	Source	Service Registry Permissions Weakness
		Hidden Files and Directories
		Hidden Users
		Hidden Window
		Kernel Modules and
		Connections Discovery
		System Owner/User Discovery
		Uncommonly Used Port
		Web Service

Based on real data from security incidents

clear focus on technical attacker behavior

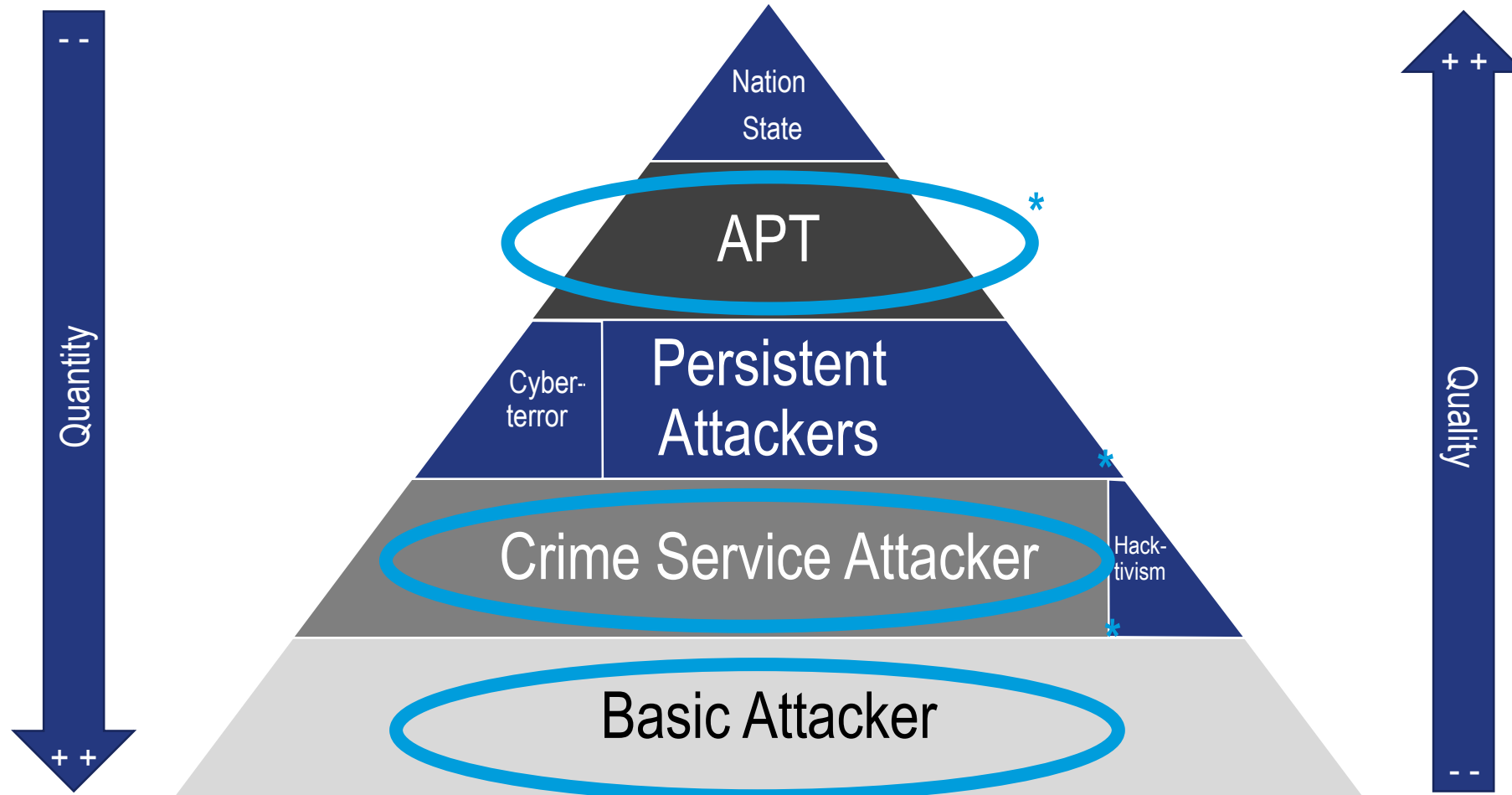
Decoupled from potential solutions

Contains Information regarding attacker groups and Software, Tools & Malware

Name	Description
4H RAT	4H RAT has the capability to create a remote shell. <sup>[2]</sup>
adbupd	adbupd can run a copy of cmd.exe. <sup>[3]</sup>
admin@338	Following exploitation with LOWBALL malware, admin@338 actors created a file containing a list of commands to be executed on the compromised computer. <sup>[4]</sup>



# ATTACKER CLASSES

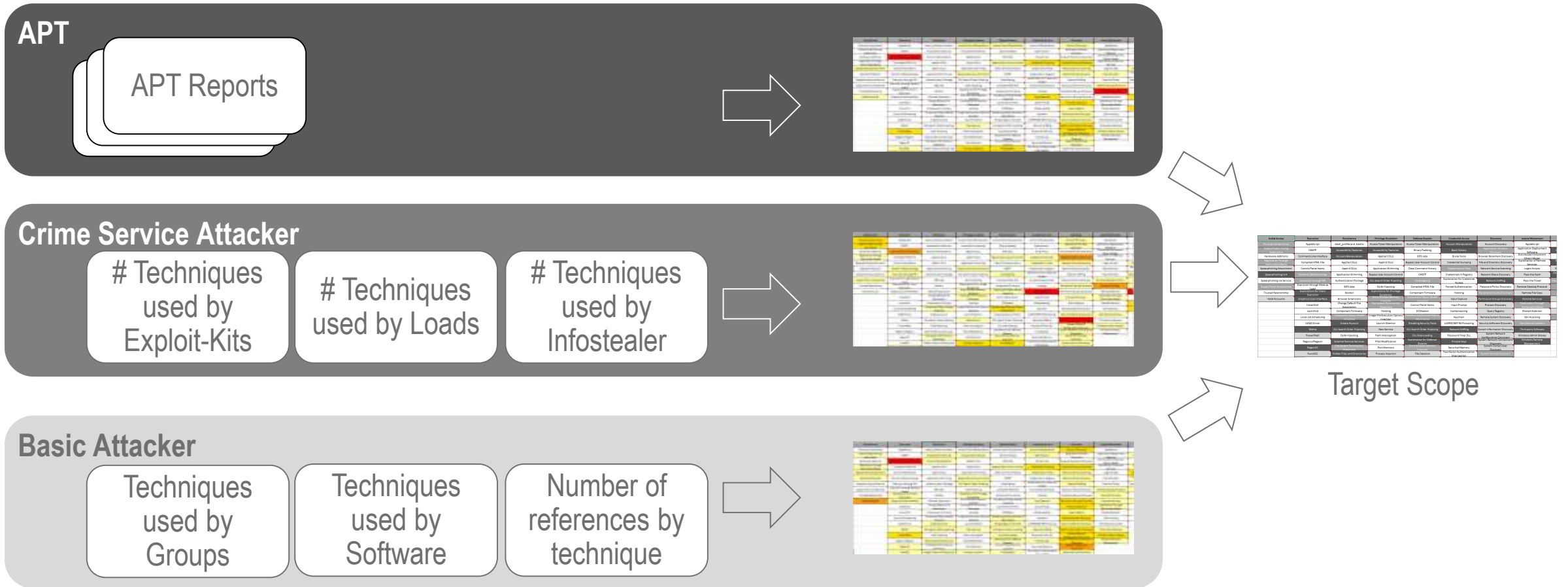


\* We tailor attacker classes specific to industry domains



# FROM ATTACKER CLASSES TO TECHNIQUES

## WHICH ATTACKER CLASS USES WHICH TECHNIQUES





# COMBINED VIEW ON ALL ATTACKER CLASSES

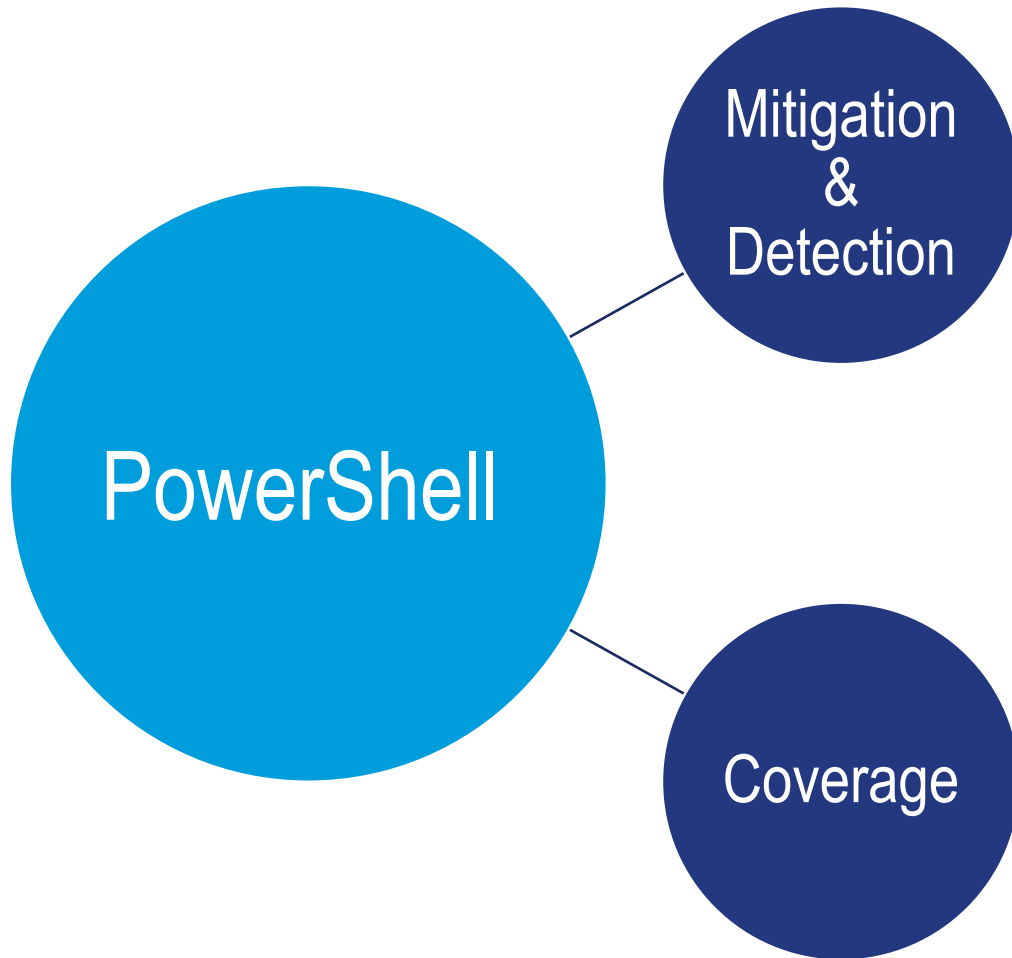
Initial Access	Execution	Persistence	Privilege Escalation	Defense Evasion	Credential Access	Discovery	Lateral Movement
Drive-by Compromise	AppleScript	.bash_profile and .bashrc	Access Token Manipulation	Access Token Manipulation	Account Manipulation	Account Discovery	AppleScript
Exploit Public-Facing Application	CMSTP	Accessibility Features	Accessibility Features	Binary Padding	Bash History	Application Window Discovery	Application Deployment Software
Hardware Additions	Command-Line Interface	Account Manipulation	AppCert DLLs	BITS Jobs	Brute Force	Browser Bookmark Discovery	Distributed Component Object Model
Replication Through Removable Media	Compiled HTML File	AppCert DLLs	Applnit DLLs	Bypass User Account Control	Credential Dumping	File and Directory Discovery	Exploitation of Remote Services
Spearphishing Attachment	Control Panel Items	Applnit DLLs	Application Shimming	Clear Command History	Credentials in Files	Network Service Scanning	Logon Scripts
Spearphishing Link	Dynamic Data Exchange	Application Shimming	Bypass User Account Control	CMSTP	Credentials in Registry	Network Share Discovery	Pass the Hash
Spearphishing via Service	Execution through API	Authentication Package	DLL Search Order Hijacking	Code Signing	Exploitation for Credential Access	Network Sniffing	Pass the Ticket
Supply Chain Compromise	Execution through Module Load	BITS Jobs	Dylib Hijacking	Compiled HTML File	Forced Authentication	Password Policy Discovery	Remote Desktop Protocol
Trusted Relationship	Exploitation for Client Execution	Bootkit	Exploitation for Privilege Escalation	Component Firmware	Hooking	Peripheral Device Discovery	Remote File Copy
Valid Accounts	Graphical User Interface	Browser Extensions	Extra Window Memory Injection	Component Object Model Hijacking	Input Capture	Permission Groups Discovery	Remote Services
	InstallUtil	Change Default File Association	File System Permissions Weakness	Control Panel Items	Input Prompt	Process Discovery	Replication Through Removable Media
	Launchctl	Component Firmware	Hooking	DCShadow	Kerberoasting	Query Registry	Shared Webroot
	Local Job Scheduling	Component Object Model Hijacking	Image File Execution Options Injection	Deobfuscate/Decode Files or Information	Keychain	Remote System Discovery	SSH Hijacking
	LSASS Driver	Create Account	Launch Daemon	Disabling Security Tools	LLMNR/NBT-NS Poisoning	Security Software Discovery	Taint Shared Content
	Mshta	DLL Search Order Hijacking	New Service	DLL Search Order Hijacking	Network Sniffing	System Information Discovery	Third-party Software
	PowerShell	Dylib Hijacking	Path Interception	DLL Side-Loading	Password Filter DLL	System Network Configuration Discovery	Windows Admin Shares
	Regsvcs/Regasm	External Remote Services	Plist Modification	Exploitation for Defense Evasion	Private Keys	System Network Connections Discovery	Windows Remote
		File System Permissions		Extra Window Memory Injection			

used attack techniques by three different attacker classes  
light grey (basic attacker), grey (crime service attacker), dark grey (APT)

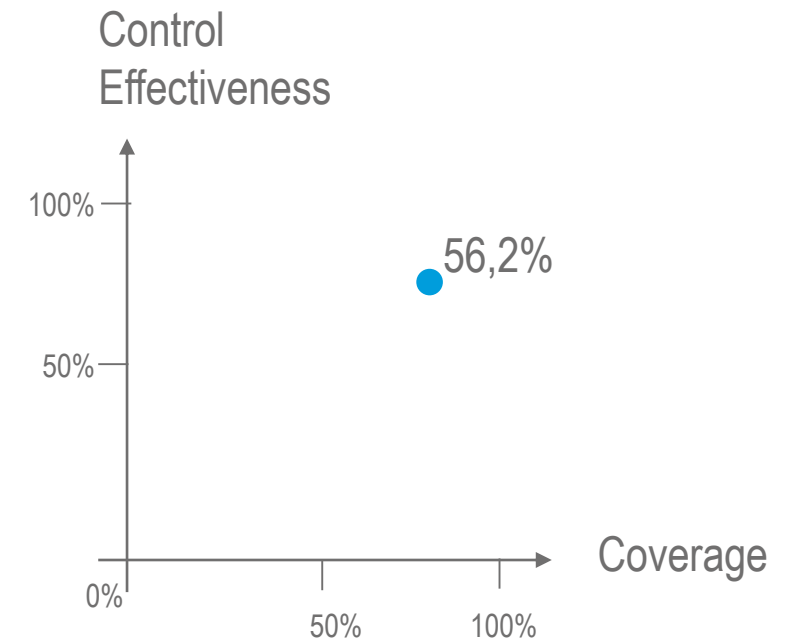


# ASSESSMENT VIA EFFECTIVENESS & COVERAGE

## ONE EXAMPLE - POWERSHELL

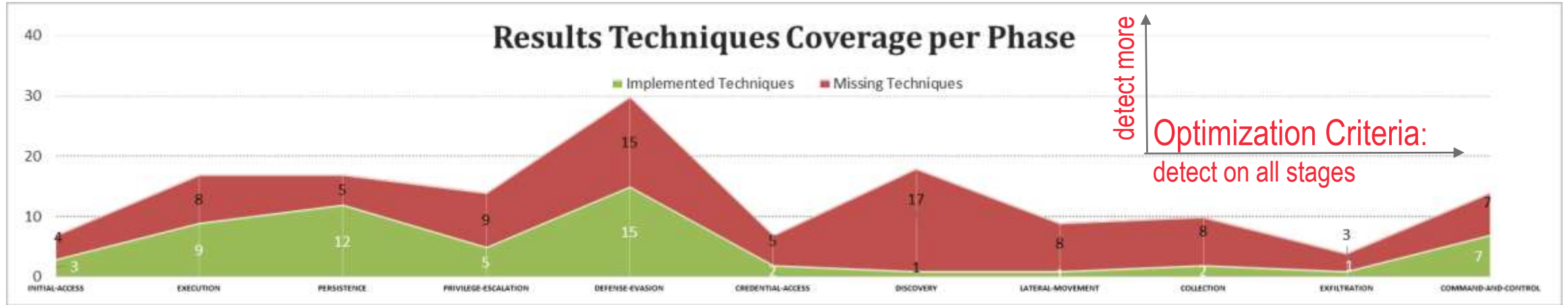


- **Mitigation**
  - least privilege,
  - admin-only,
  - Signed scripts only,
  - pslockdown,
  - constrained-language-mode policies
  - disable WinRM service
- **Detection**
  - Windows Event PowerShell Analysis
  - SIEM-Correlation
- Implementation on
  - Clients
  - Server
  - Cloud Systems
  - VMs
  - ....



# RESULTS - CYBER DEFENSE PERFORMANCE

## KILL CHAIN & ATT&CK TO MEASURE SUCCESS



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Drive-by Compromise	AppleScript	.barh_profile and .barhrc	Access Taken Manipulation	Access Taken Manipulation	Account Manipulation	Account Discovery	AppleScript	Audio Capture	Automated Exfiltration	Commonly Used Port
Exploit Public-Facing Application	CMSTP	Accessibility Features	Accessibility Features	Binary Padding	Barh History	Application Window Discovery	Application Deployment Software	Automated Collection	Data Compressed	Communication Through Removable Media
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Replication Through Removable Media	Compiled HTML File	AppCert DLL	AppInit DLL	Bypass User Account Control	Credential Dumping	File and Directory Discovery	Exploitation of Remote Services	Data from Information Resources	Data Transfer Size Limit	Custom Command and Control Protocol
Spearphishing Attachment	Control Panel Items	AppInit DLL	Application Shimming	Clear Command History	Credentials in Files	Network Service Scanning	Logon Scripts	Data from Local System	Exfiltration Over Alternative Protocol	Custom Cryptographic Protocol
Spearphishing Link	Dynamic Data Exchange	Application Shimming	Bypass User Account Control	CMSTP	Credentials in Registry	Network Share Discovery	Pazz the Hash	Data from Network Share Drive	Exfiltration Over Command and Control Channel	Data Encoding
Spearphishing via Service	Execution through API	Authentication Package	DLL Search Order Hijacking	Code Signing	Exploitation for Credential Access	Network Sniffing	Pazz the Ticket	Data from Removable Media	Exfiltration Over Other Network Medium	Data Obfuscation
Supply Chain Compromise	Execution through Module Load	BITS Jobs	Dylib Hijacking	Compiled HTML File	Forced Authentication	Password Policy Discovery	Remote Desktop Protocol	Data Staged	Exfiltration Over Physical Medium	Domain Fronting
Trusted Relationship	Exploitation for Client Execution	Bootkit	Exploitation for Privilege Escalation	Component Firmware	Hoaxing	Peripheral Device Discovery	Remote File Copy	Email Collection	Scheduled Transfer	Fallback Channel
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	Registrar/Reqarm	External Remote Services	Plist Modification	Exploitation for Defense Evasion	Private Keys	System Network Connectivity Discovery	Window Remote Management			Standard Application Layer Protocol





# SUMMARY

## STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS IN CYBER-SECURITY

### Advantages of our Cyber Defense Maturity Assessments:

- It is fast.
- It generates a technical verifiable overview
- It abstracts from many infrastructure details and all the „If's und but's“
- It allows a technical security control optimization based on technical facts
- Reality Check can be done by „automatic Red Team Tests“

### By purpose, we don't want:

- Consider all awareness, management, process based security matures
- Time consuming collection of the current state



# THANK YOU

**SECURITY IS NOT LUXURY,  
IT IS A NECESSITY.**

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