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## TMoC: Threat Modelers on Chain

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## Who are we?



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## Threat Modeling is a Team Sport Method

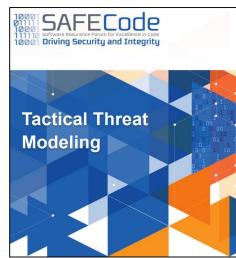


[Adam Shostack, Threat Modeling (Elevation of Privilege: the Threat Modeling Game)]

• To motivate "The Crowd" to participate in Threat Modeling, collective intelligence is required, we propose threat modeling in the form of a game

#### [SAFECode, Tactical Threat Modeling]

 Threat modeling is like a "team sport" where that helps different participants to derive threats from analysis target



Threat Modeling

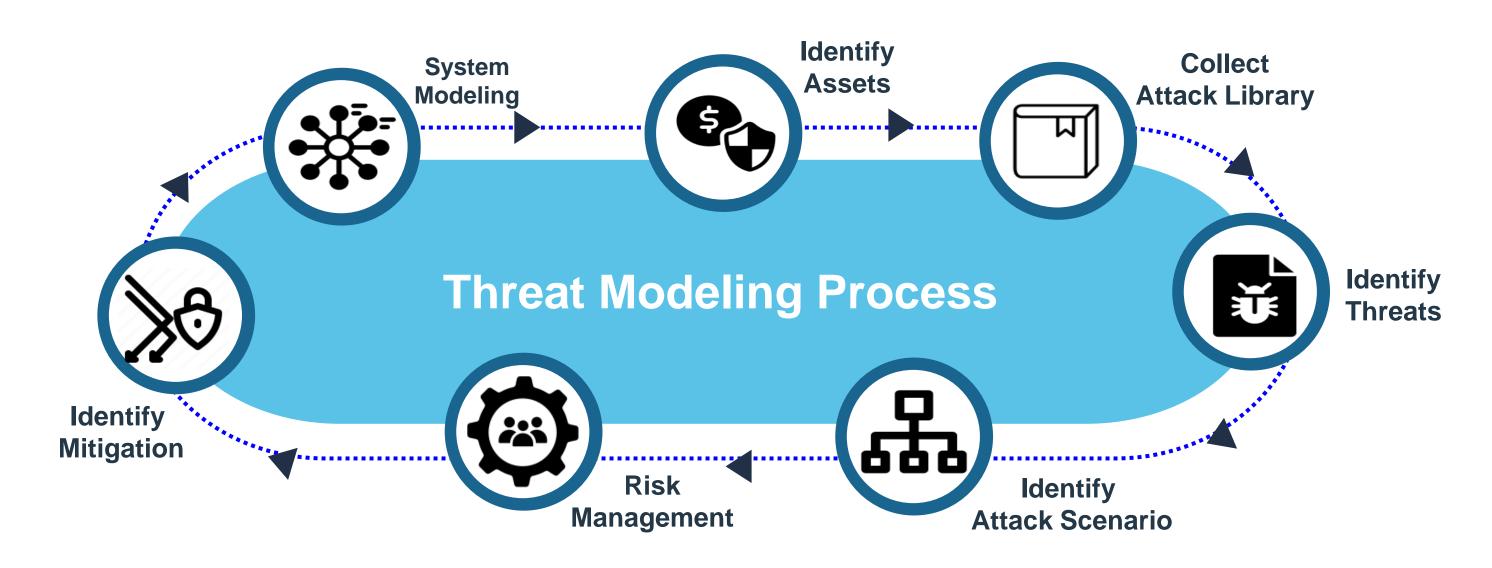


[Amazon AWS(Darran Boyd), How to approach threat modeling]

- Threat modeling is a "team sport" that requires the knowledge and skills of various teams.
- All inputs have equal value



## **Threat Modeling Process**





## **Existing Threat Modeling Tools**

Year	Tool Name	Model Form	Threat Library Source	Open Source	Interface		Automation Scope				
					Арр	Web	System Model	Threat	Attack Scenario	Mitigation	Reporting
2013	ThreatModeler	Diagram	Self-defined, CAPEC, OWASP, WASC,	x	0	x	0	0	0	0	0
2014	Microsoft Threat Modeling Tool (TMT)	Diagram	Self-defined, STRIDE	X	0	х	X	0	X	O	o
2015	IriusRisk	Diagram	Self-defined, CAPEC, CVE, CWE	x	x	0	X	0	X	0	0
2019	Open Weakness and Vulnerability Modeler (OVVL)	Diagram	Self-defined, STRIDE, CVE	0	Х	0	X	0	0	X	0
2020	OWASP Threat Dragon	Diagram	Self-defined, STRIDE, LINDDUN, CIA	0	0	0	X	0	X	x	0
2019	OWASP pytm	Text (Python)	Self-defined, CAPEC, CVE, CWE	0	0	X	0	0	X	0	0
2020	Threagile	Text (YAML)	Self-defined, CWE	0	0	0	0	0	X	0	0

<sup>\*</sup> Zhenpeng Shi, Kalman Graffi, David Starobinski, Nikolay Matyunin, "Threat Modeling Tools: A Taxonomy", 2021 🕏



## **Existing Blockchain-based Tools**



PolySwarm is a threat intelligence platform used by security experts to analyze, detect & get intel on malicious files & digital artifacts

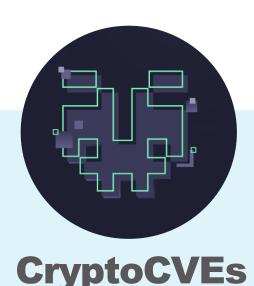
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Threat intelligence sharing is posited as an importip counter cybersecurity attacks and a number of
size sharing communities skit. There is a general
any challenges remain to be everome to achieve
varing, including concerns about privacy, negative
with sharing only between the members of the of
legal issues and expense of sharing, amongst
vi trend undertaken to address this is the use
or they may be somewhere in between [3]. Ac' the dimension of the distribution of the distr scribe a novel trust enhancement dized sharing based on the use of increasing trend, in many fields via blockchain based marvia bl

#### TITAN

**TITAN** is a framework and It is aimed to be a general solution for trusted threat **Intelligence sharing for** use across different **Threat Intelligence Platform** 

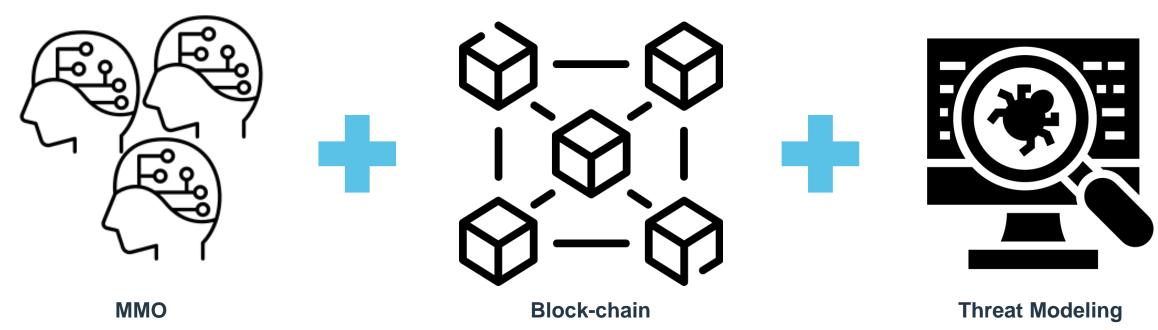


**CryptoCVEs is NFT** collectibles. A CVE is a software vulnerability in the cybersecurity world. **CryptoCVE** makes you mint famous CVE's as collectibles



## Then What is TMoC?

- TMoC(Threat Modelers on Chain) is a first block-chain based collective intelligence threat modeling tool
  - TMoC is a follow-up study on "Blockchain as a Threat Modeling Thinking Tools" at DEFCON 29
  - We call this MMOTM(Massive Multiplayer Online Threat Modeling)





## Participants of TMoC



#### A Customer

- Customers are people who request to perform threat modeling by the collective intelligence of experts
- If customers would like to request threat modeling, they deposit a certain amount of bounty



#### A Performer

- Each security expert can be a performer or an evaluator of the TMoC
- Performers carry out threat modeling tasks requested by customers



#### An Evaluator

- Each security expert can be a performer or an evaluator of the TMoC
- Evaluators verify an performer's task

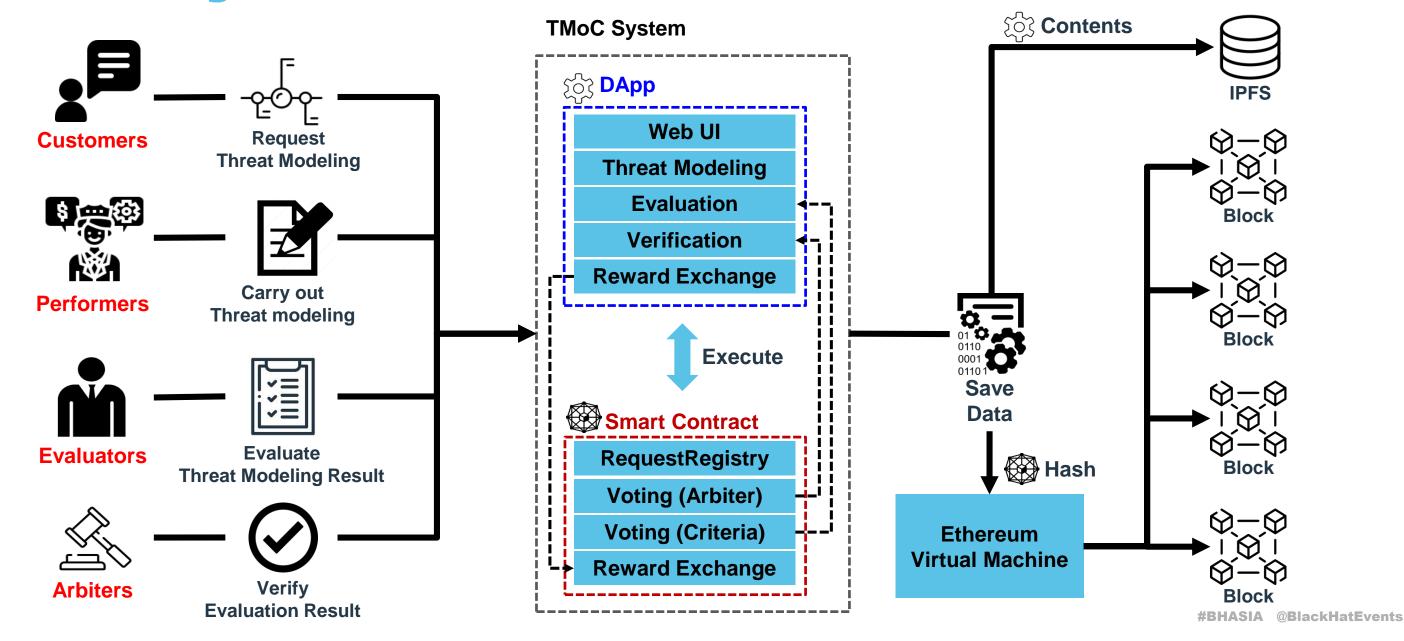


#### An Arbiter

- An arbiter is determined by the vote of the evaluators
- Arbiters verify an evaluator's task

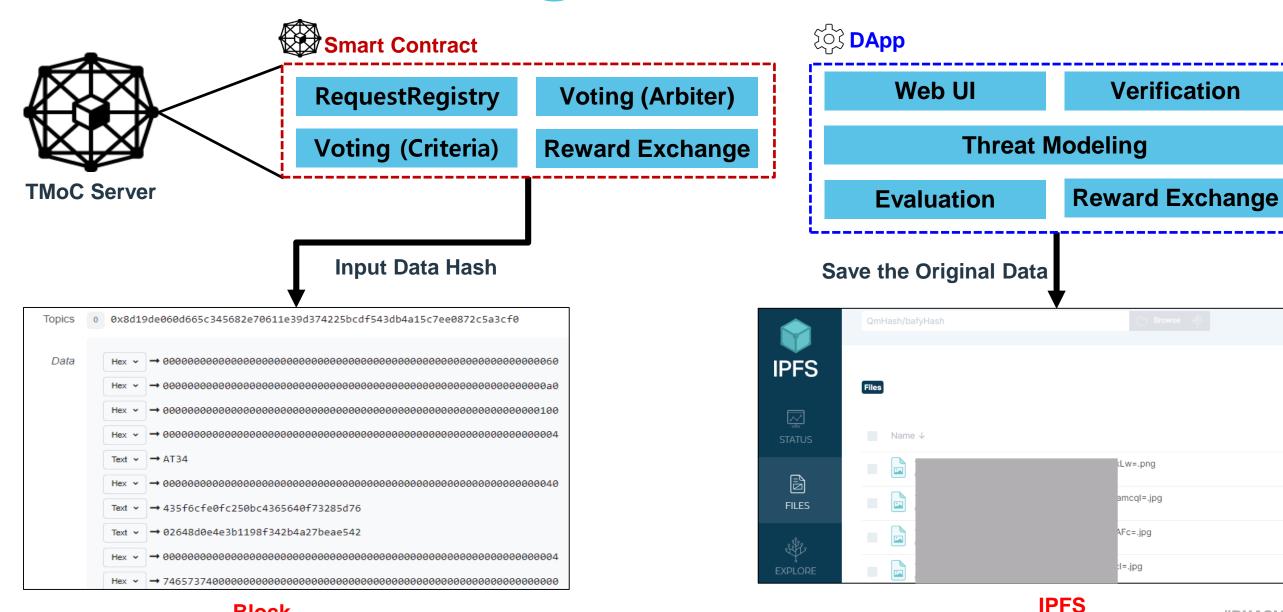


## **TMoC System Model**





## **TMoC Data Storage**





## **TMoC Basic Process**

The operation sequence of TMoC is 7 steps as follows

# 01

Request of Threat Modeling

# 02
Perform task

# 03
Submit task

# 04 Program update

# 05
Evaluation

# 06 Arbitration

# 07 Provide Reward



A customer requests threat modeling from TMoC system



Performers carry out threat modeling task



Tasks are submitted by the performers who has completed threat modeling



Blockchain is updated



Evaluates the threat modeling results



If there is a problem of the evaluation, the Arbiter will verify the evaluation

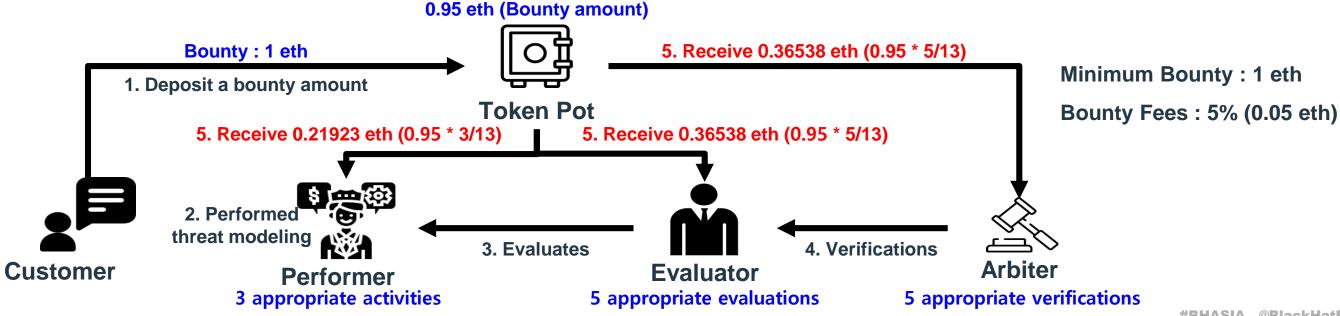


TMoC participants will receive rewards



## **Reward Lifecycle**

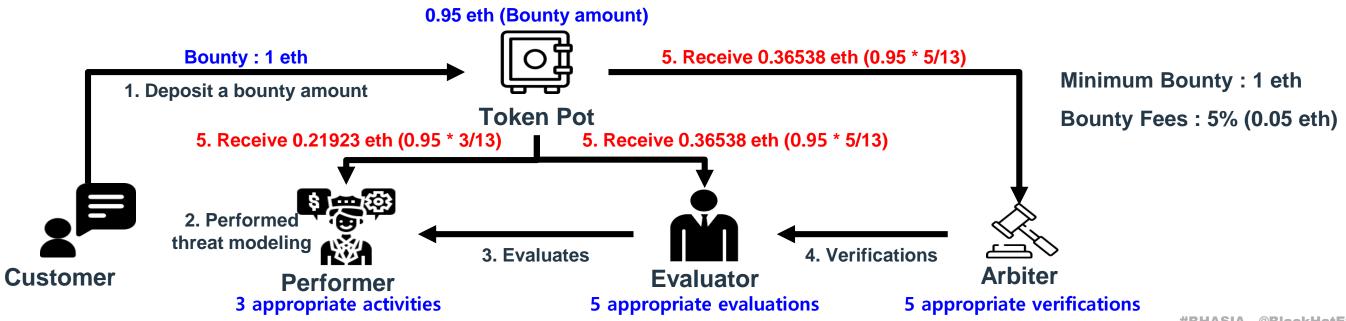
- Participants can earn tokens by performing appropriate threat modeling activities
  - If a participant performs at least one appropriate activity, he or she can earn token
  - Divide and distribute tokens from the Token pot, tokens are given by the rate of the performance in appropriate activity ("Bounty \* (1 Fees) \* appropriate activity/all appropriate activity")





## **Reward Lifecycle**

- Assessment method is used to determine the appropriate activity of participants
  - It is expected that by evaluating the threat modeling results by two or more evaluators, some problems that may be incorrectly evaluated can be solved





## TMoC's Revenue Model

- TMoC operators can raise initial funding by bounty fees and token trading
  - Operators can earn revenue as token trading becomes more active by sharing a portion of the token
  - TMoC tokens are created and sales for a certain period of time, determining the maximum number of tokens





# Demo



## Possible Effects of TMoC

- TMoC is the first blockchain-based threat modeling tool that utilizes a collective intelligence, anyone can be a participant
  - Participants can be encouraged by giving tokens to them who performs right threat modeling activities or evaluates correctly
  - By encouraging participants, the TMoC can derive better threat modeling result



## **Next Step**

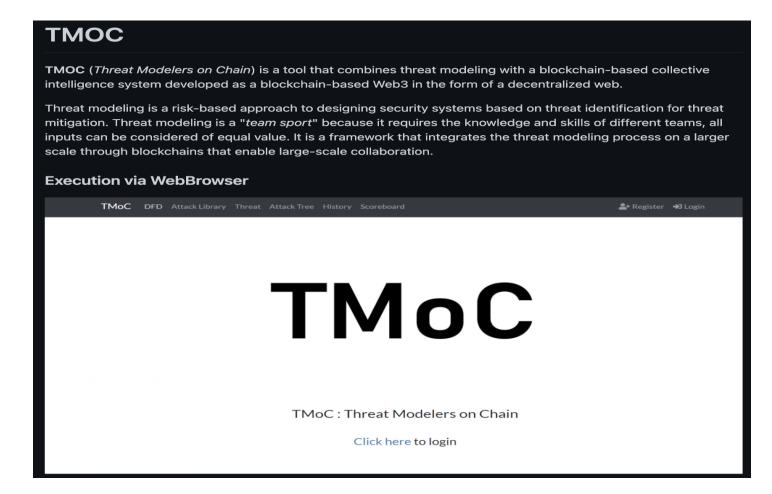
- Current TMoC is a prototype that works on the test network
  - Next, we will build our own TMoC blockchain network
  - Additionally, we will make a governance token and develop voting system for decision-making in the TMoC(e.g. electing evaluation criteria or arbiter)

- Current TMoC is not scalable(i.e. It doesn't provide APIs for add-on developers)
  - To improve user experience and scalability we will provide APIs for add-on developers (e.g. add-on for drawing a DFD, add-on for automatically collecting CVEs ...)



## TMoC is Open Source Tool

- TMoC is uploaded in our Github repo(open source license)
  - Github Link: https://github.com/HackProof/TMoC





## Thank you



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