

1 | the security dilemma

1.1 | states that build armies for defensive concerns trigger fear in other states

1.2 | "bringing a machete to the airplane example"

1.3 | two states that are individually defensive may look like they are teaming up

2 | examples

2.1 | when germany gets big in 1871, France and Russia freak out

2.1.1 | they join forces, which makes germany concerned. the cycle continues