

Threat

A new incident that
has potential to harm a
system



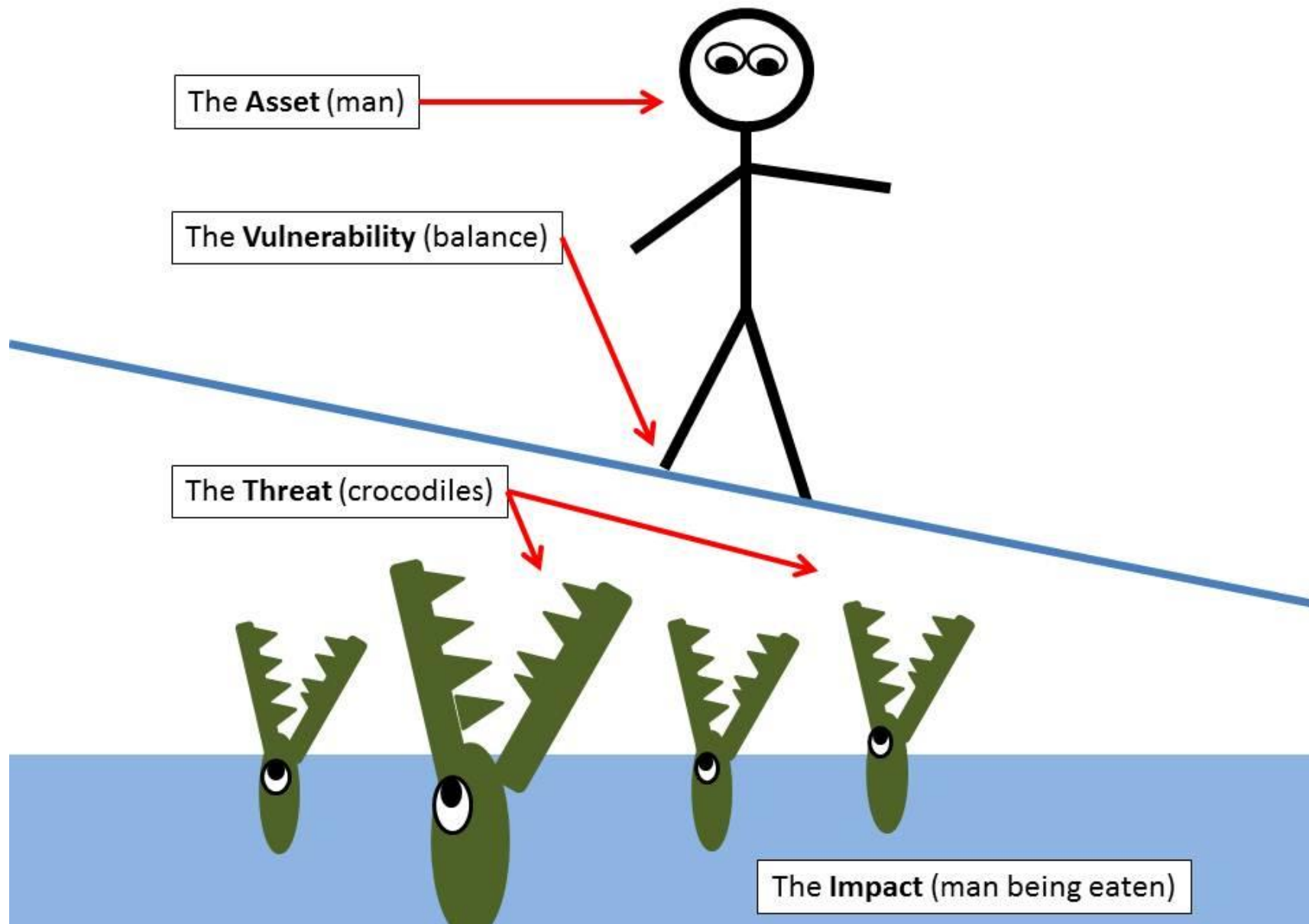
Vulnerability

A known weakness of
an asset that hackers
could exploit



Risk

The potential for loss
or damage when a
threat exploits a
vulnerability



Silly Example

- Increase the size or weight of the pen, so that cat cannot move it
 - Close the vulnerability directly
- Secure the pen where the cat cannot reach it
 - Close the vulnerability by preventing its exploitation
- Prevent the cat from taking the pen
 - Mitigate the threat of the cat directly
 - Impractical in most information systems applications

	Vulnerability	Threat	Risk
Example 1	Terminated employee ID's are not removed from the system	Dialing into the company's network and accessing proprietary info	Unauthorized disclosure of sensitive business information
Example 2	Improper maintenance of fire fighting equipment	Fire	Loss of life, data and infrastructure

THREAT VERSUS VULNERABILITY

Threat is a person or
thing likely to cause
damage or danger

Danger posed by
someone else

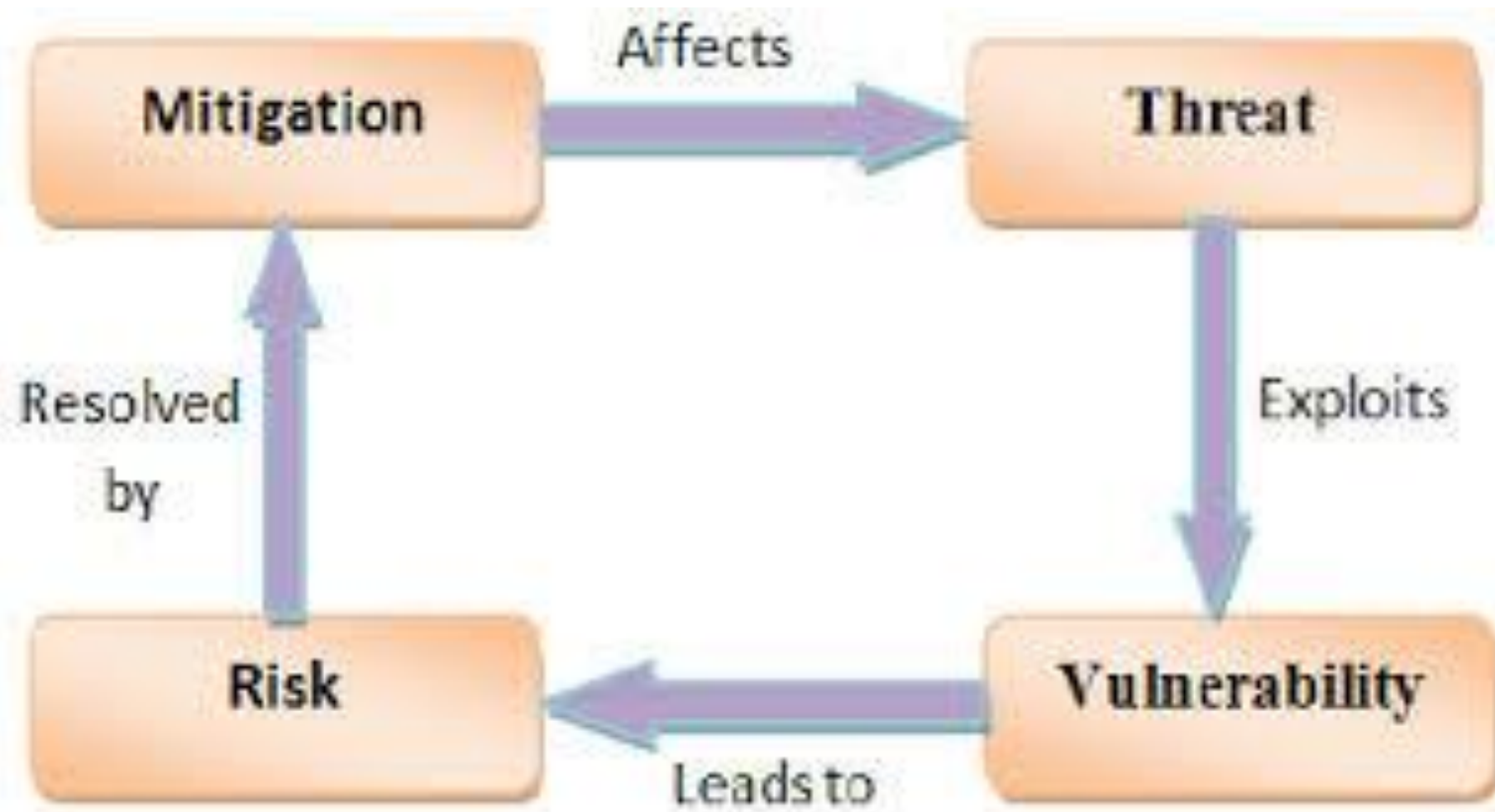
Can be identified, but
cannot be controlled

Vulnerability refers to
being open to attack
or damage

Flaw or weakness
in us

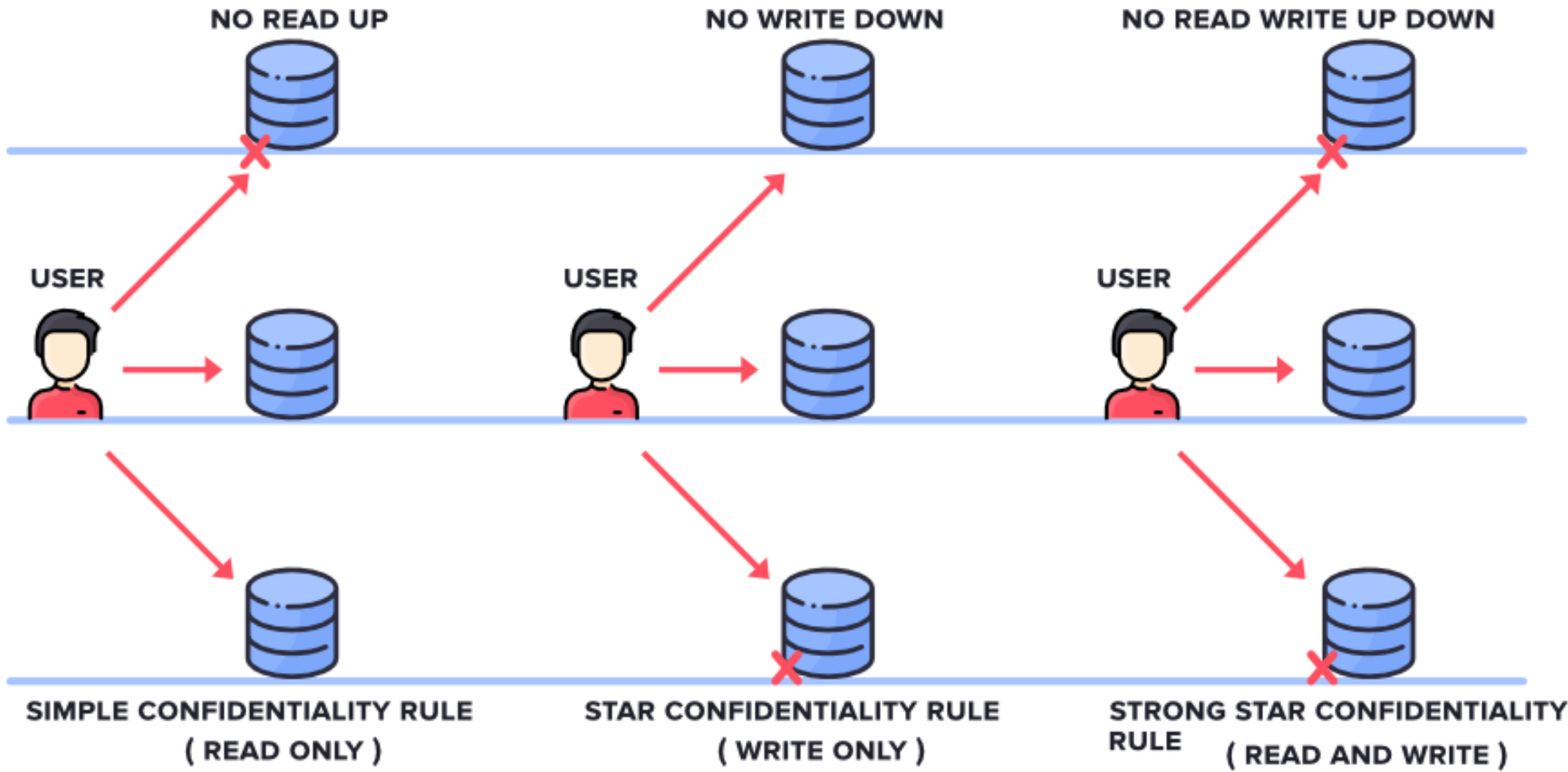
Can be identified and
corrected

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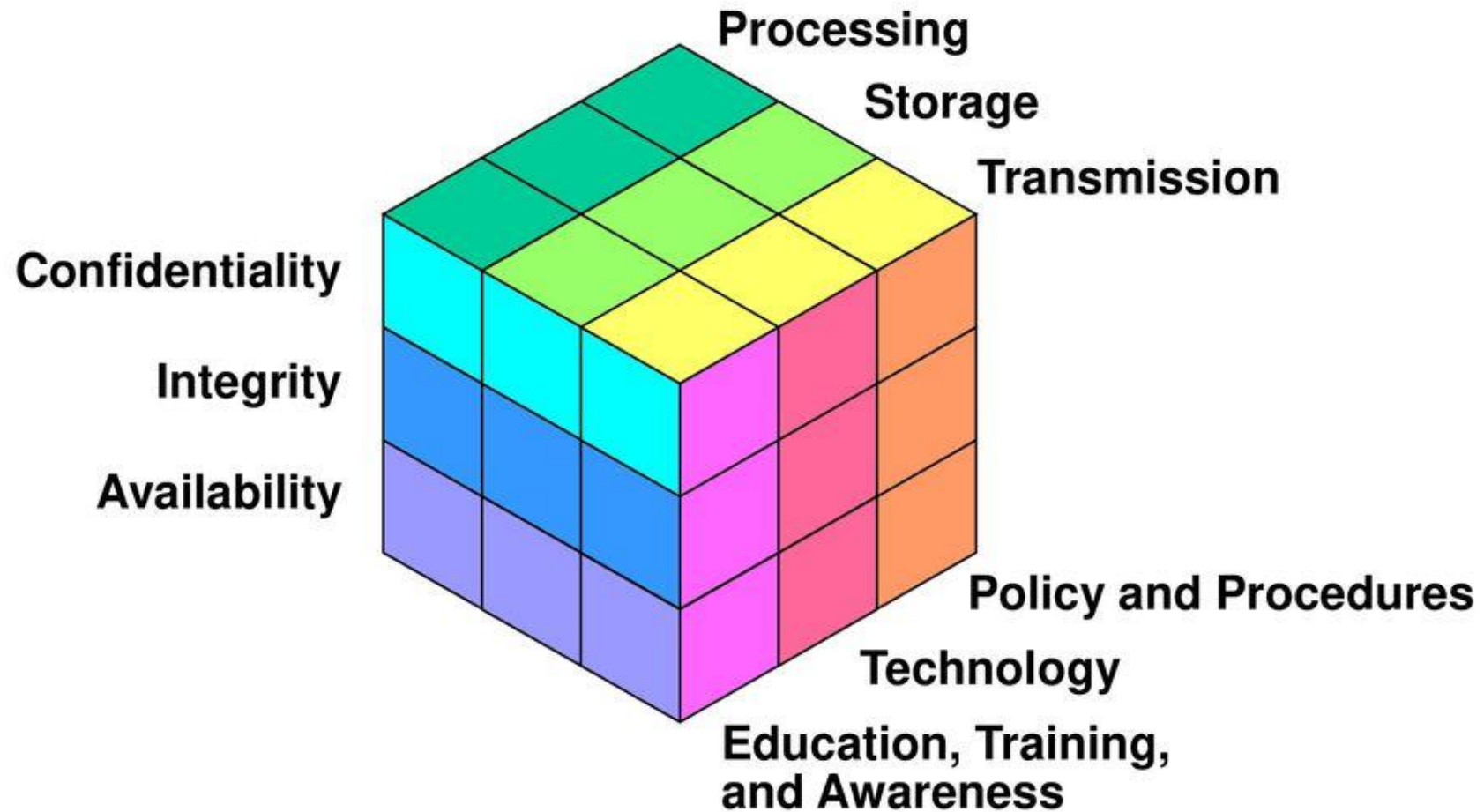


Threat	Vulnerability	Asset	Impact	Likelihood	Risk	Control Recommendations
System failure — Overheating in server room High	Air-conditioning systems is ten years old. High	Servers Critical	All services (website, email, etc.) will be unavailable for at least 3 hours. Critical	High Current temperature in server room is 40C	High Potential loss of \$50,000 per occurrence	Buy a new air conditioner, \$3,000 cost.
Malicious human (interference) — DDOS attack. High	Firewall is configured properly and has good DDOS mitigation. Low	Website Critical	Website resources will be unavailable. Critical	Medium DDOS was discovered once in 2 years.	Medium Potential loss of \$10,000 per hour of downtime	Monitor the firewall.
Natural disasters — Flooding High	Server room is on the 3 rd floor. Low	Servers. Critical	All services will be unavailable. Critical	Low Last flood in the area happened 10 years ago.	Low	No action needed.
Accidental human interference — Accidental file deletions High	Permissions are configured properly; IT auditing software is in place; backups are taken regularly. Low	Files on a file share Medium	Critical data could be lost but almost certainly could be restored from backup. Low	Medium	Low	Continue monitoring permissions changes, privileged users and backups.

BELL - LAPADULA MODEL



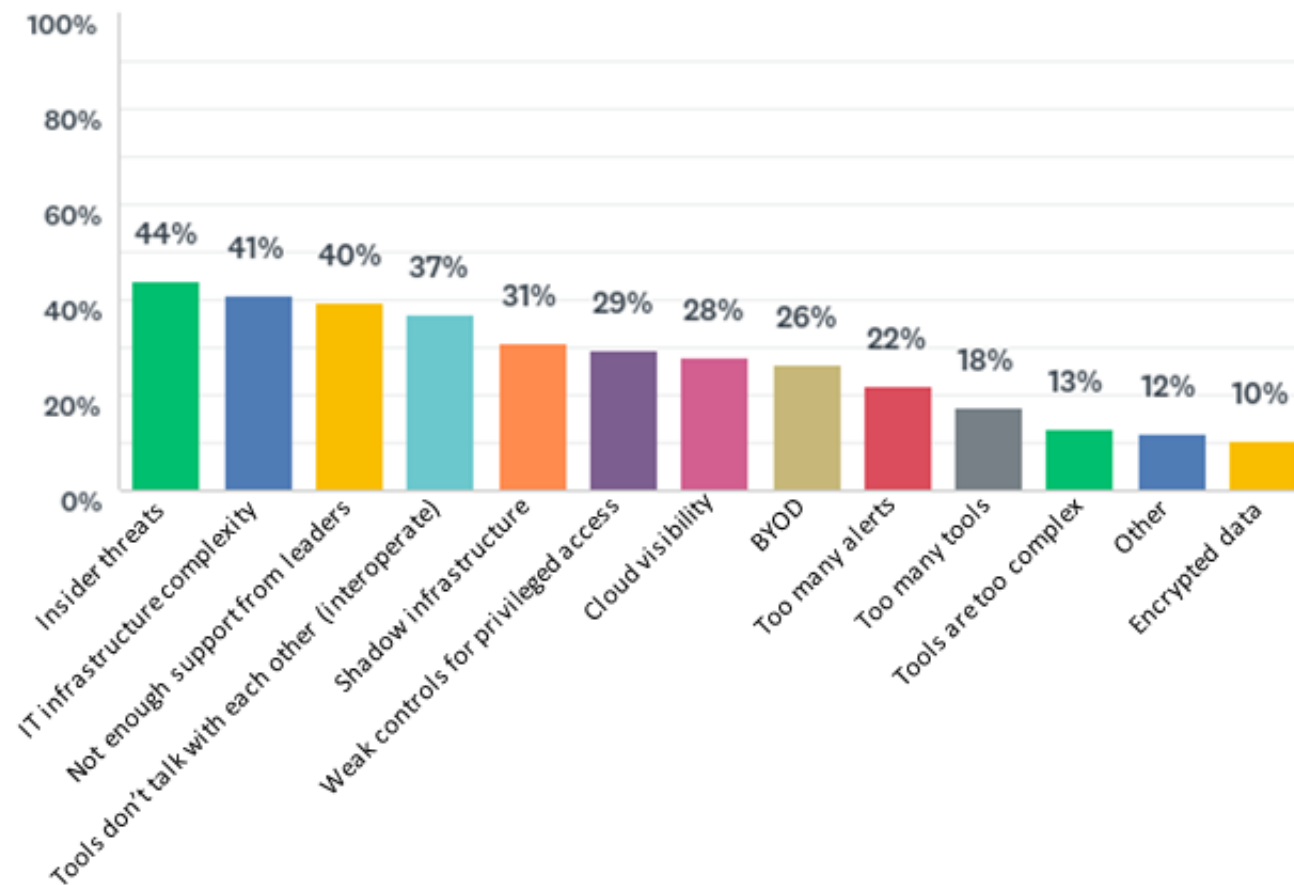
Information Security Model



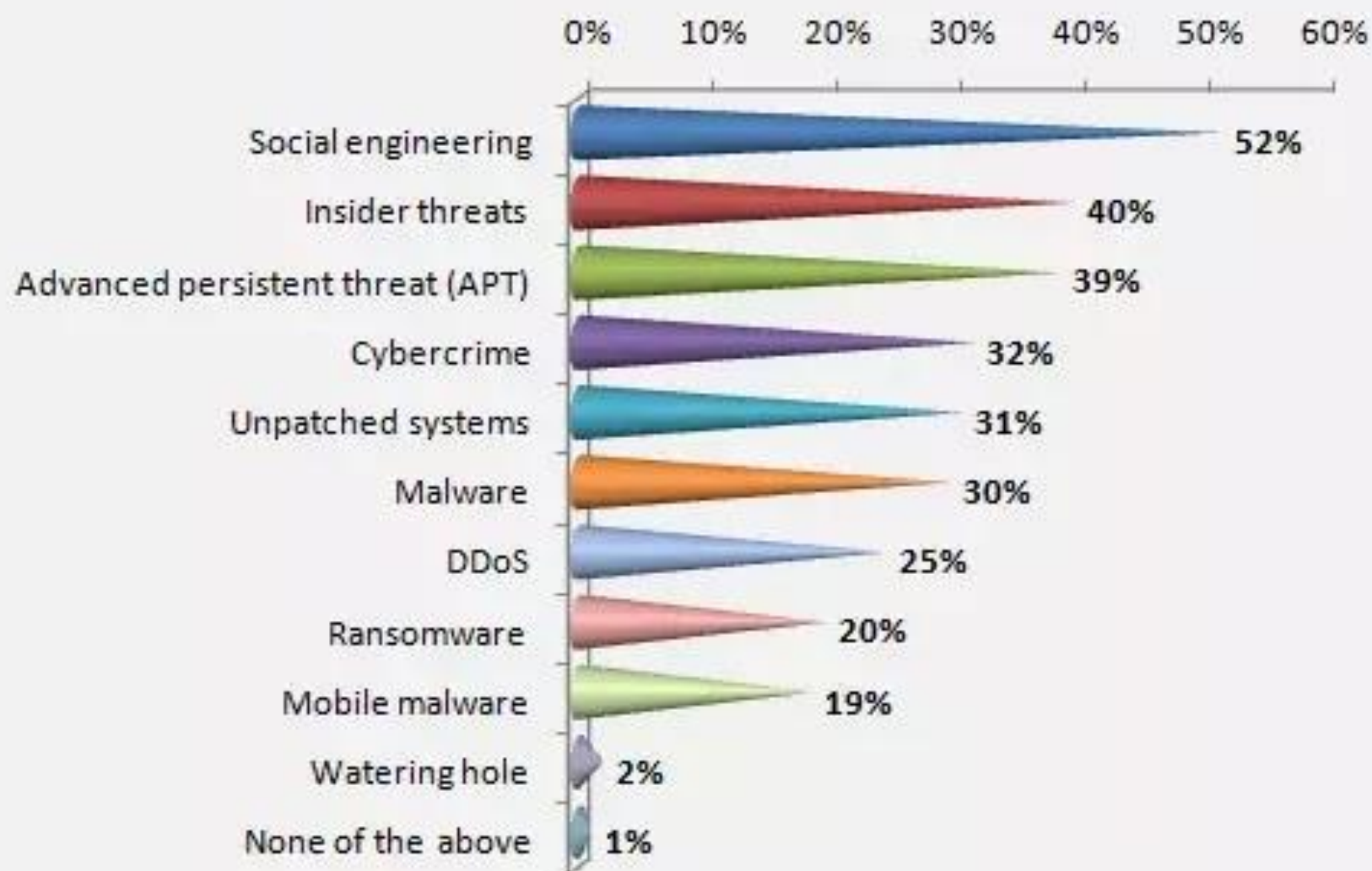


The attack life cycle of APTs

What are the top challenges in network security facing your organization?



Biggest Threats to Organization



Total Respondents: 2920

