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Master's Degree in Computer Engineering

DESIGN AND APPLICATION OF A SECURITY ASSESSMENT AND HARDENING METHODOLOGY FOR VIRTUAL ENVIRONMENTS

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Problem description

Design a methodology for



Security assessment



Hardening



OSSTMM



State of the art

Data & Information
security



Crucial challenge

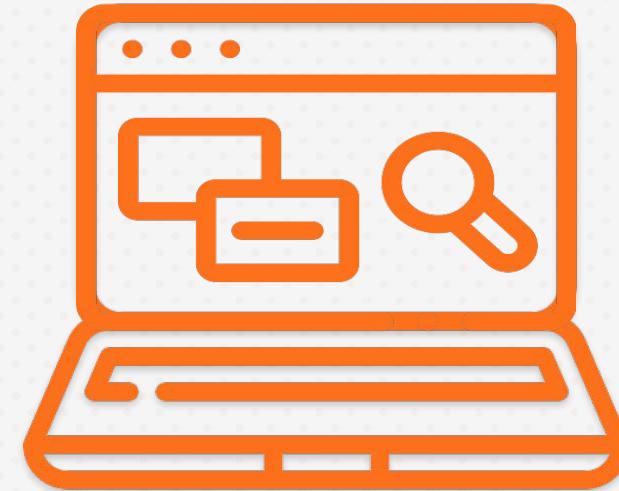


- Systems complexity
- Sensitive data



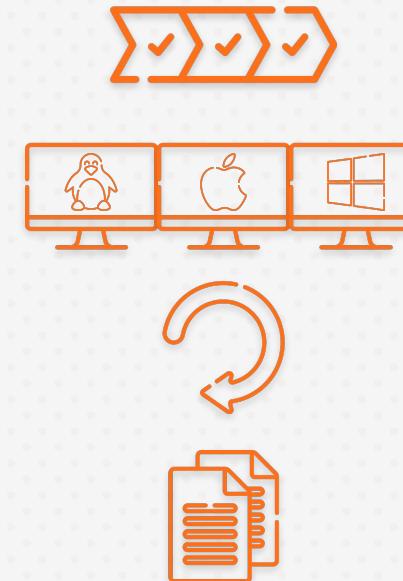
- Resources
- Skills

State of the art

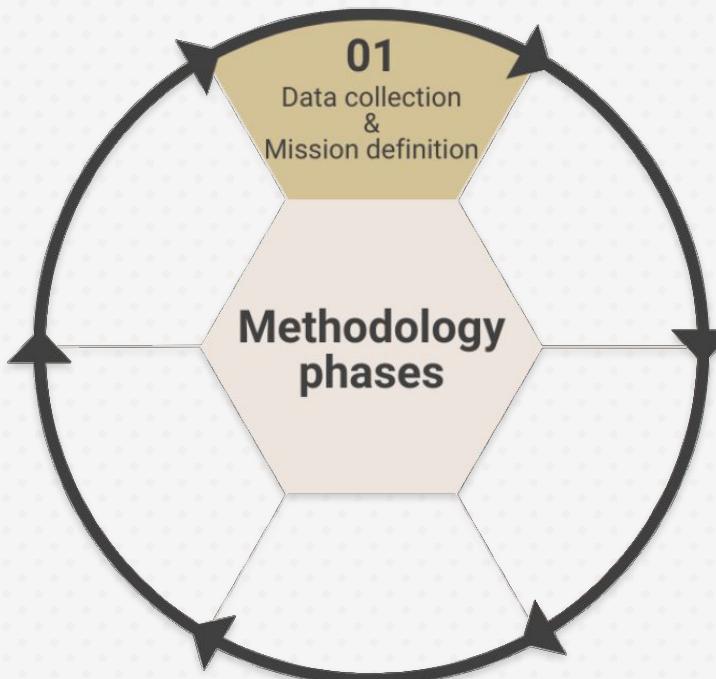


Contribution

- Structurality
- Generalizability
- Iterativity
- Replicability & Coherence

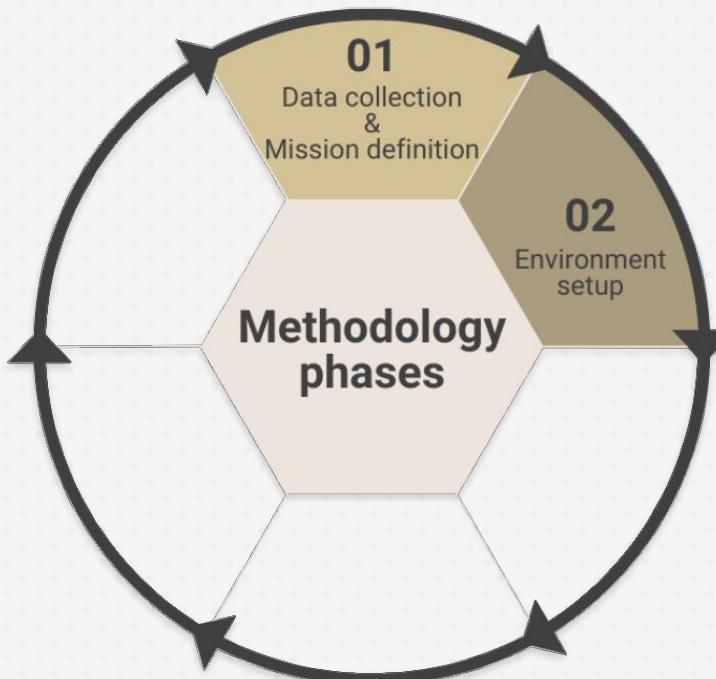


Proposed solution



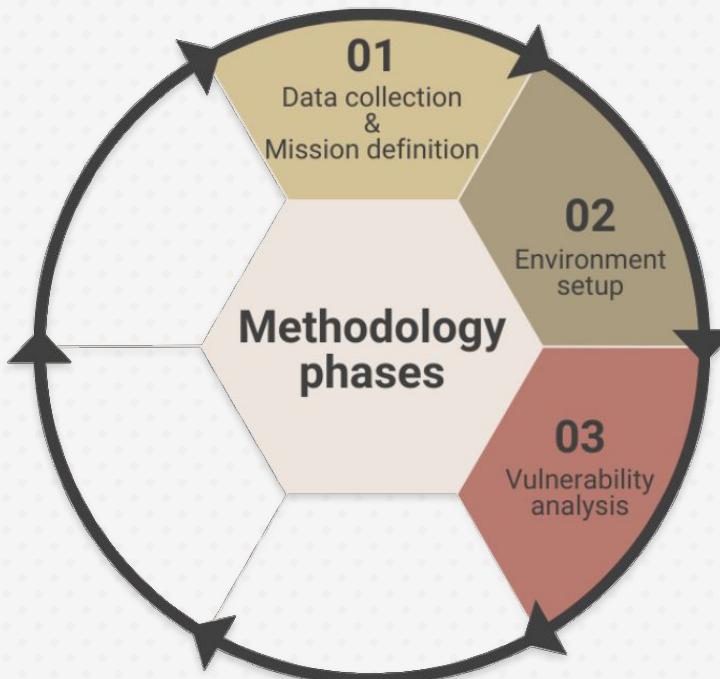
- Knowledge level
- Goals of the activity

Proposed solution



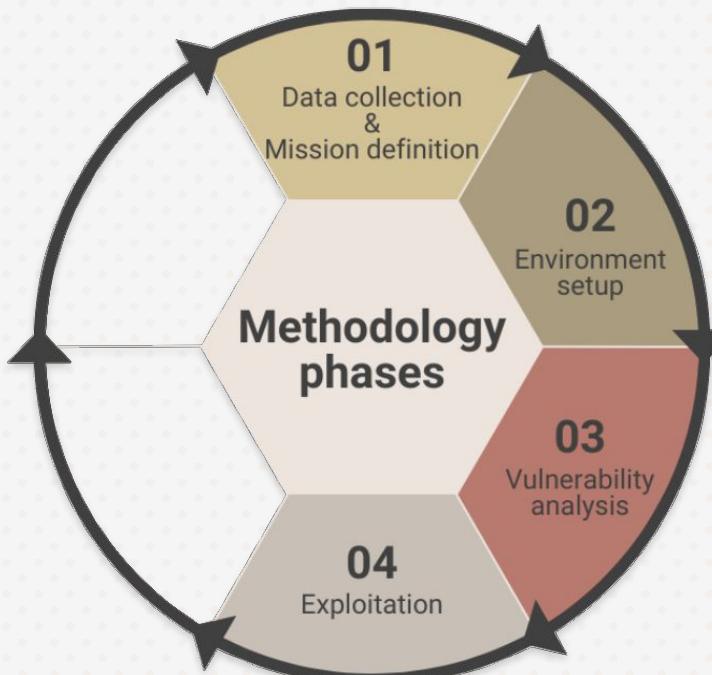
- Preparatory actions

Proposed solution



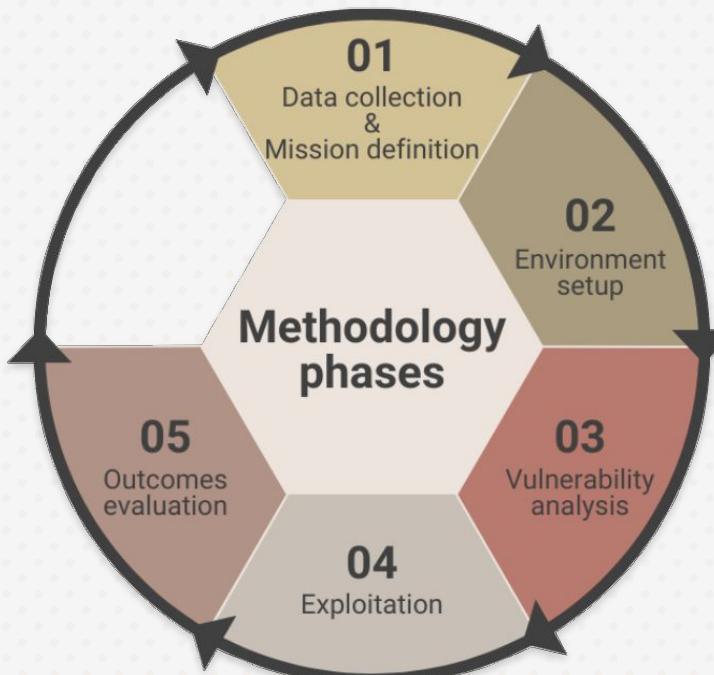
- Comprehensive & Detailed investigation

Proposed solution



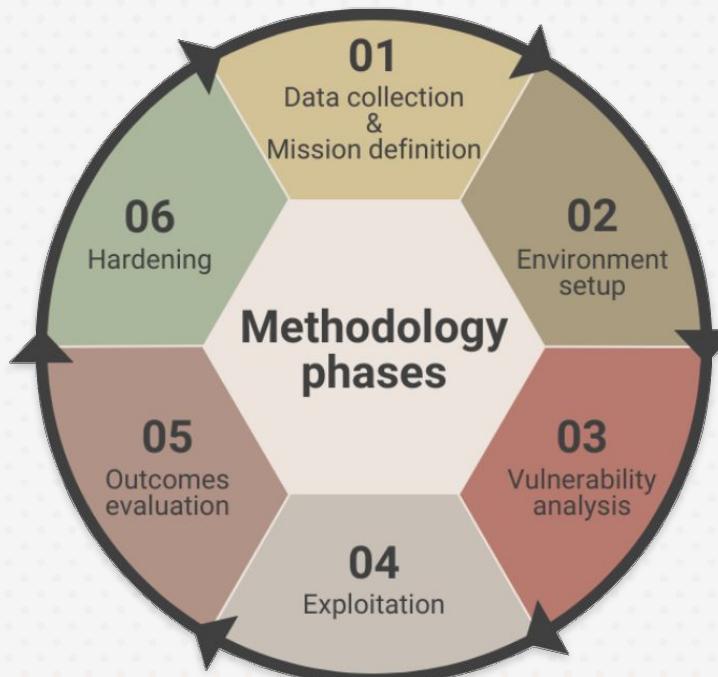
- Obtain access
- Privilege escalation

Proposed solution



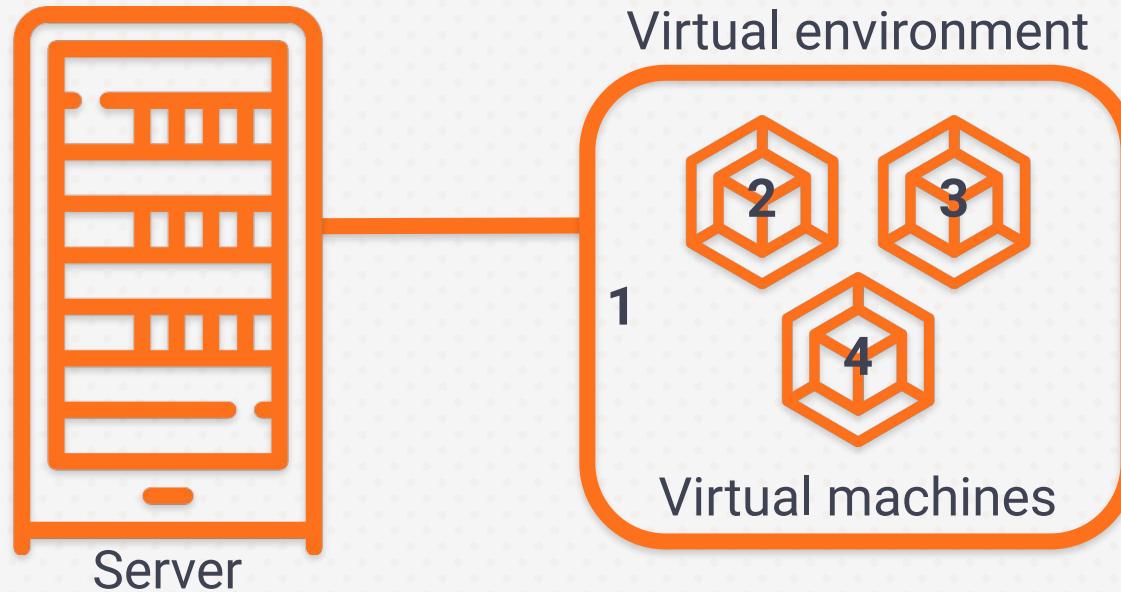
- Risk level
- Risk Assessment Value (RAV)

Proposed solution



- Defense practices are implemented

Real-world setup



Real-world setup

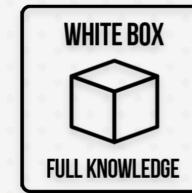


Proxmox

Robotcup

Docenti

Repository-GitLab



- SSH
- HTTP
- HTTPS

Vulnerability report

| CVE | Vulnerability source | Potential impact (CVSS) | Exploit likelihood (EPSS) | Expected consequence |
|-----|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
|-----|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|

Risk analysis

| Severity | Impact |
|----------|-----------|
| None | 0.0 |
| Low | 0.1 - 3.9 |
| Medium | 4.0 - 6.9 |
| High | 7.0 - 8.9 |
| Critical | 9.0 - 10 |

| Severity | Likelihood (%) |
|---------------|----------------|
| Impossible | 0.00 |
| Less probable | 0.01 - 39.99 |
| Probable | 40 - 69.99 |
| High probable | 70 - 89.99 |
| Sure | 90 - 100 |

Risk analysis

| | None | Low | Medium | High | Critical |
|---------------|------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Impossible | Inexistent | Inexistent | Inexistent | Inexistent | Inexistent |
| Less probable | Inexistent | Slight | Slight | Normal | Great |
| Probable | Inexistent | Slight | Normal | Great | Catastrophic |
| High probable | Inexistent | Normal | Great | Catastrophic | Catastrophic |
| Sure | Inexistent | Great | Catastrophic | Catastrophic | Catastrophic |

RAV

OSSTMM



| Attack Surface Security Metrics | | | |
|--|--------|------------------|-------------|
| OSSTMM version 3.0 | | | |
| Fill in the white number fields for OPSEC, Controls, and Limitations with the results of the security test. Refer to OSSTMM 3 (www.osstmm.org) for more information. | | | |
| OPSEC | | | |
| Visibility | 4 | Access | 2 |
| Trust | 0 | Total (Porosity) | 6 |
| CONTROLS | | | |
| Class A | | Missing | |
| Authentication | 2 | 4 | 6 |
| Indemnification | 0 | 5 | 4 |
| Resilience | 2 | 6 | 6 |
| Subjugation | 0 | 6 | 6 |
| Continuity | 0 | 6 | 6 |
| Total Class A | 4 | 26 | |
| Class B | | Missing | |
| Non-Repudiation | 2 | 4 | 5 |
| Confidentiality | 1 | 5 | 6 |
| Privacy | 0 | 5 | 5 |
| Integrity | 1 | 5 | 4 |
| Alarm | 2 | 4 | 4 |
| Total Class B | 6 | 24 | |
| All Controls Total | | | |
| All Controls Total | 10 | 50 | 83.33% |
| Whole Coverage | | | |
| Whole Coverage | 16.67% | 83.33% | |
| True Missing | | | |
| LIMITATIONS | | | |
| Vulnerabilities | 590 | Item Value | 5504.666667 |
| Weaknesses | 7 | 5.333333 | 37.333333 |
| Concerns | 0 | 5.000000 | 0.000000 |
| Exposures | 0 | 100.333333 | 0.000000 |
| Anomalies | 0 | 99.500000 | 0.000000 |
| Total # Limitations | 597 | 5544.0000 | |
| Actual Security: 64,2157 ravs | | | |
| OSSTMM RAV - Creative Commons 3.0 Attribution-NonCommercial-NoDerivs 2011, ISECOM | | | |



OPSEC
7.722143

True Controls
4.017304

Full Controls
4.017304

True Coverage A
13.33%

True Coverage B
20.00%

Total True Coverage
16.67%



Limitations
32.991514

Security Δ
-36.70

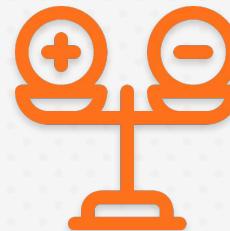
True Protection
63.30

Relevant discoveries

External threats

Pros

- No usable exploits
- No brute force

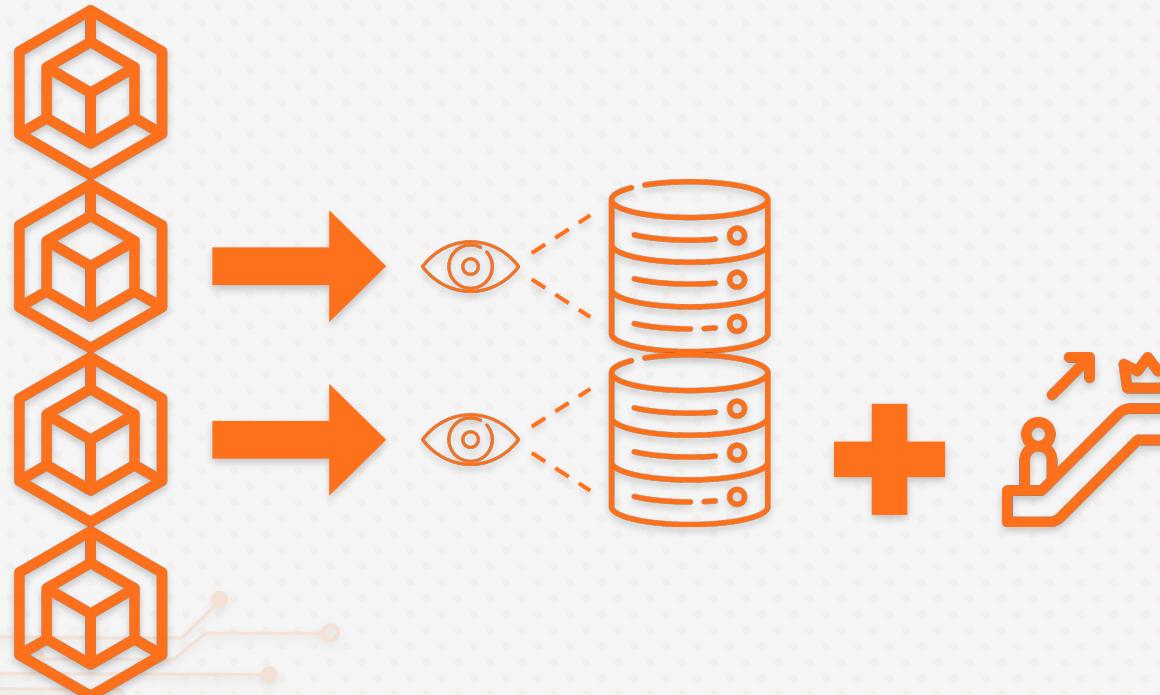


Cons

- No firewalls
- No secure configurations
- Outdated elements

Relevant discoveries

Internal threats



Results evaluation

100



Old RAV

69.62

New RAV

72.65

~5%

64.21

71.33

~11%

56.51

67.47

~20%



63.24

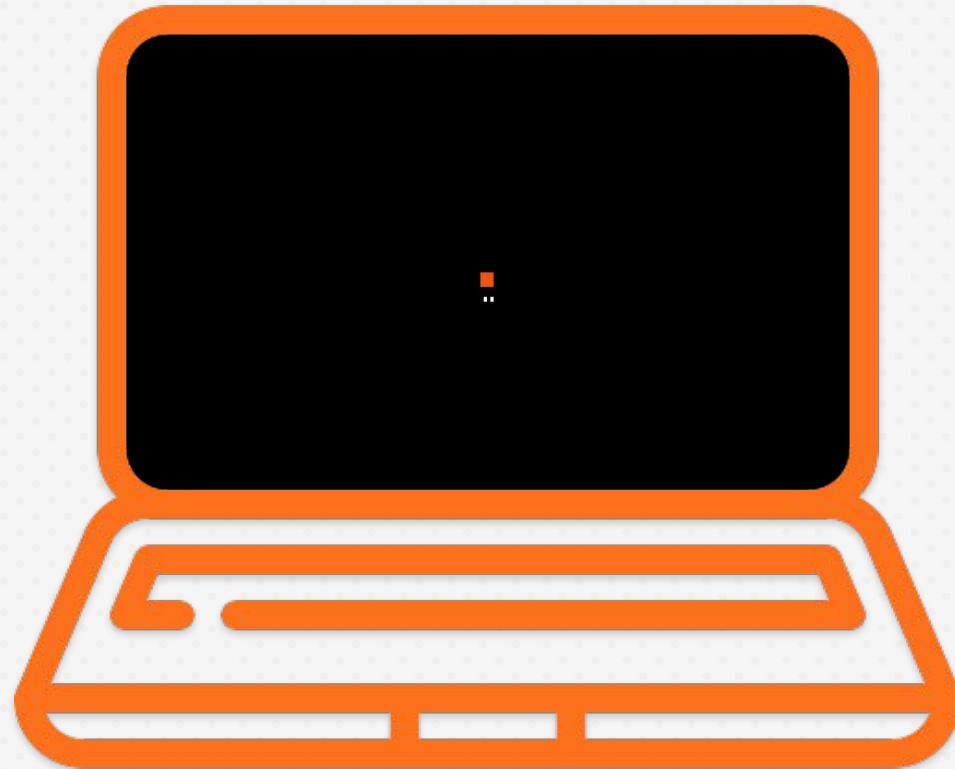
71.56

~13%

Results evaluation

- Designed methodology validated
- Design choices consistent with the goals
- Characteristics satisfy the needs of cybersecurity

Demo video



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