

# Understanding the Security Development Lifecycle - SDL

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# Overview



Raising security IQ

SDL

Push to the left

Attack surface reduction

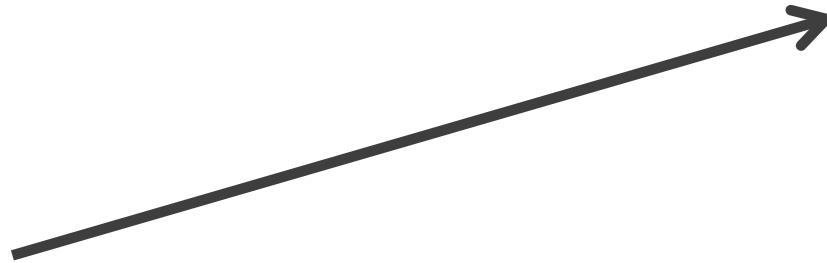
Threat modeling



# Executive Buy-In: Security Is Everyone's Job



**Security Engineers**  
Embedded with  
the development teams



**A Central Security Team  
Handles Training**  
Training, IR, consulting, tools, etc.





## Increase Security IQ

- Building Security Into the Culture
  - Development, test, and QA organization



Smart companies are doing:  
CBTs

In person trainings

- Internal and External trainers
  - Getting Devs, QA, and Testers together is key
  - Note: Devs prefer to see examples from their code



Project based opportunities

CTF

Belt Level

- Make these a part of promotion criteria
- Personnel File “Thank You”

# Accountability

Evaluate  
effectiveness of  
training program



**Why was the  
mistake made?**

- Ignorance
- Complexity
- Poor planning?



**How can we do  
better?**

- Defensive techniques
  - Isolated Heap and Delayed Free?

# Continuous Improvement

**Microsoft's SDL**

**BSIMM.com**

- 12 practices
  - 112 activities

**SAFECODE.org**

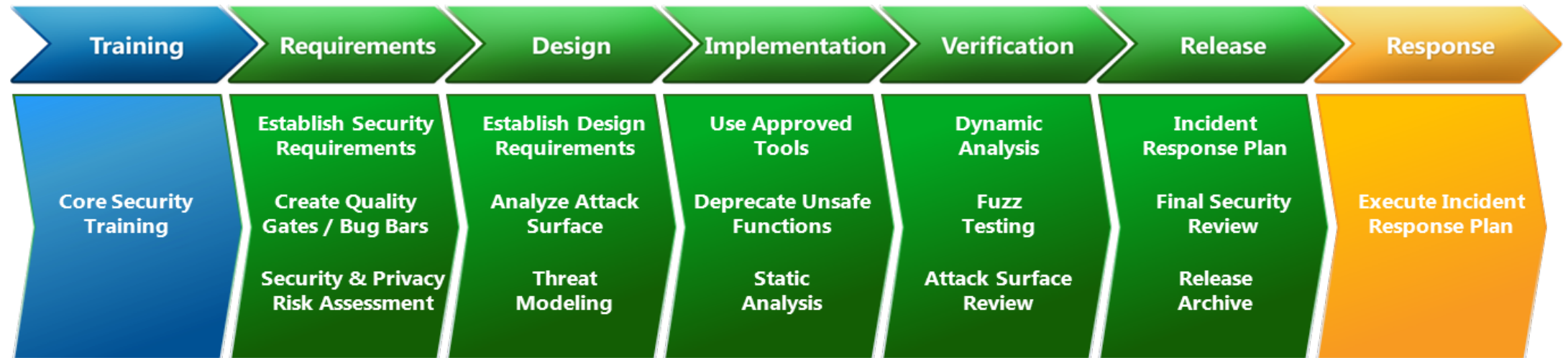




# Secure Development Lifecycle

New VS better than old -  
E.g. CFG in 2015

Begin Fuzzing at  
Beta time



Src code checking  
in build

Manual Review  
and Pentest



# Building Security in Maturity Model

## Governance



Practices that help you organize, manage and measure your software security initiative including staff development.

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Strategy & Metrics

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Compliance & Policy

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Training

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## Intelligence



Practices that result in collections of knowledge to use to carry out software security activities throughout your organization.

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Attack Models

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Security Features & Design

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Standards & Requirements

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## SSDL Touchpoints



Common practices associated with analysis and assurance of particular software development artifacts and processes.

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Architecture Analysis

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Code Review

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Security Testing

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## Deployment



Practices that interface with traditional network security and software maintenance organizations.

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Penetration Testing

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Software Environment

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Config Management &  
Vulnerability Management

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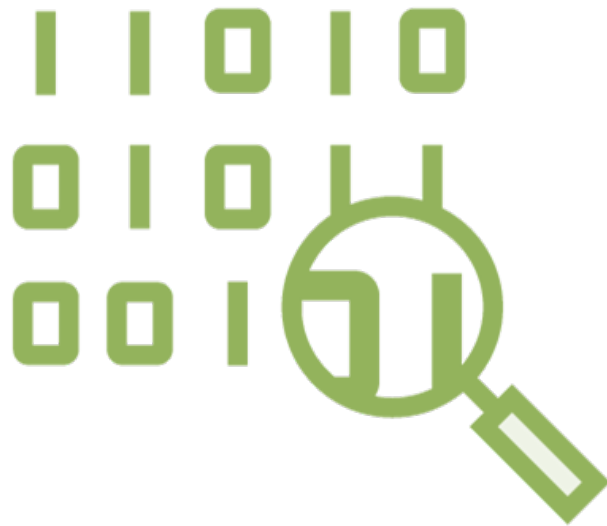


**Push Security  
to the Left**

## **Before you code!**

- How can we reduce the attack surface of this section of code?
- Safer design
- Safer development process

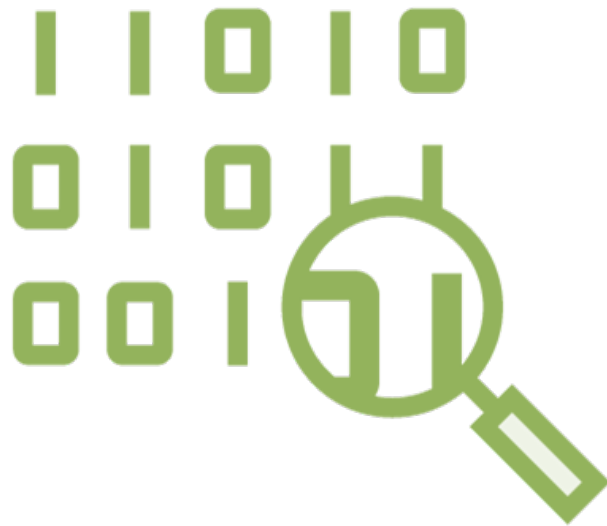




Attack Surface  
Reduction

## Story about Google Chrome

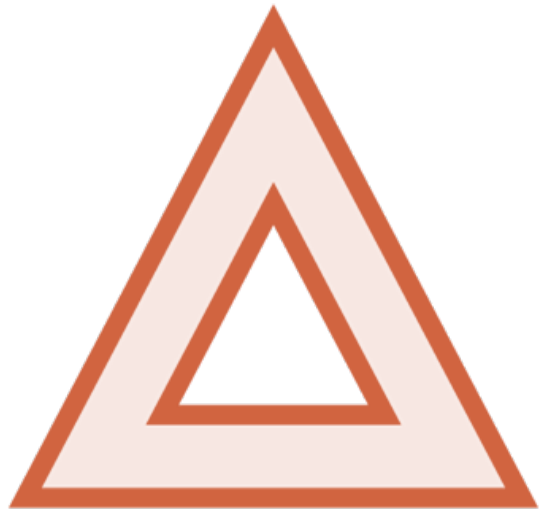
- Arbitrary clipboard formats are allowed
- In 2014, an obscure OLE format was used to escape a renderer (sandboxed tab)
  - Upon next right click, attacker code ran on the host



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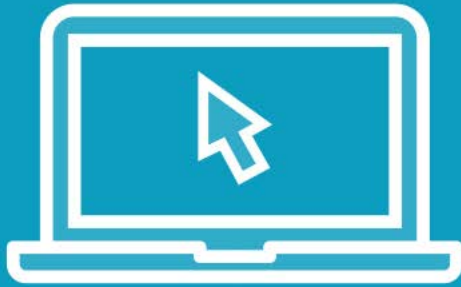
- I wonder...
  - Did a software engineer ask his PM
    - “Should we limit lesser used formats? Users shouldn’t complain too much, and it would really reduce our attack surface.”
    - IF not, he should have
      - PM still might have overruled him, but at least he tried



## Do not *over* focus on Testing

- Do threat modeling
  - Get Devs, Testers, and Operational folks together
    - Especially for today's cloud applications

# Demo

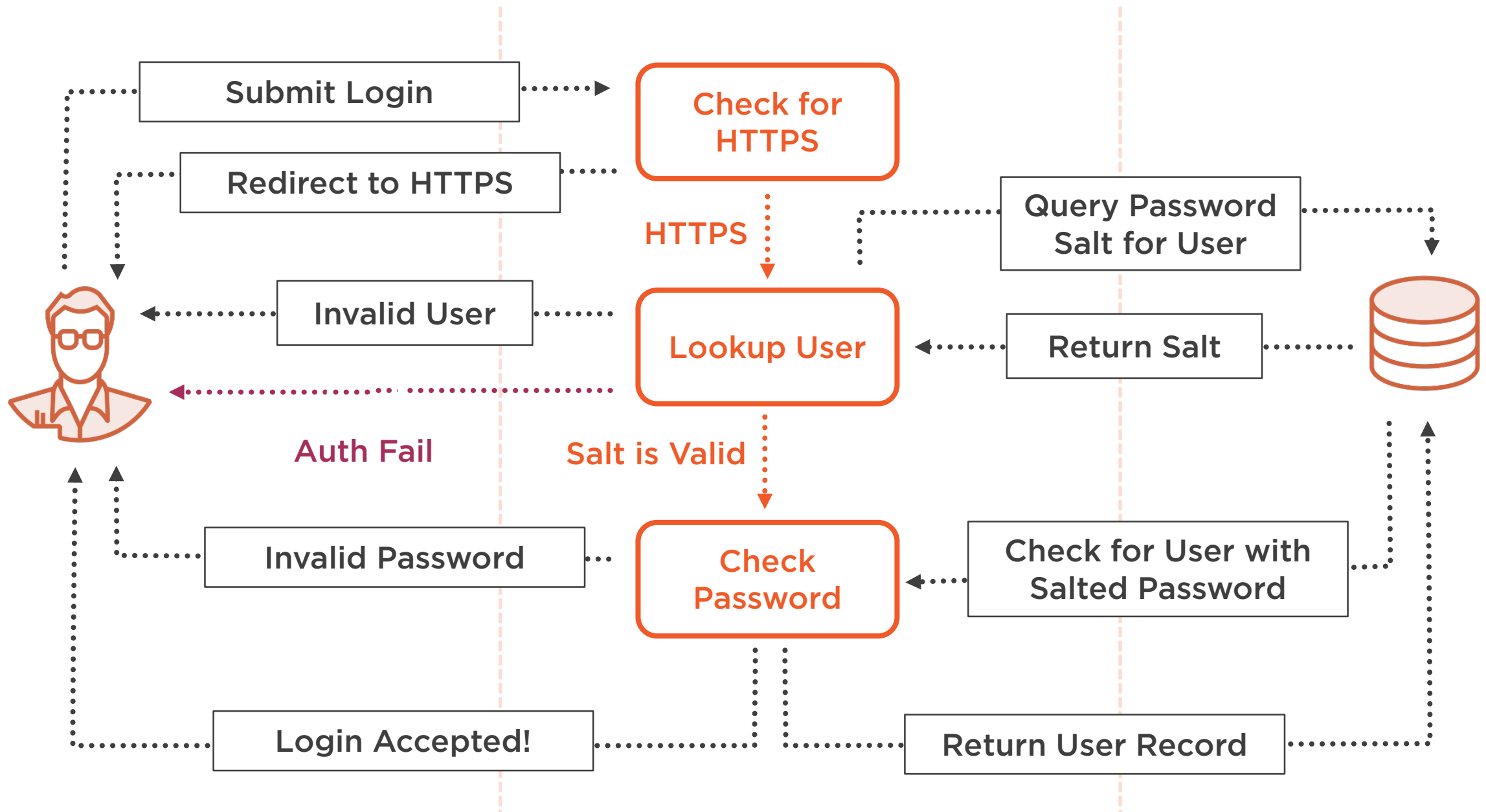


**Use a Data Flow Diagram  
Threat Modeling Tool**

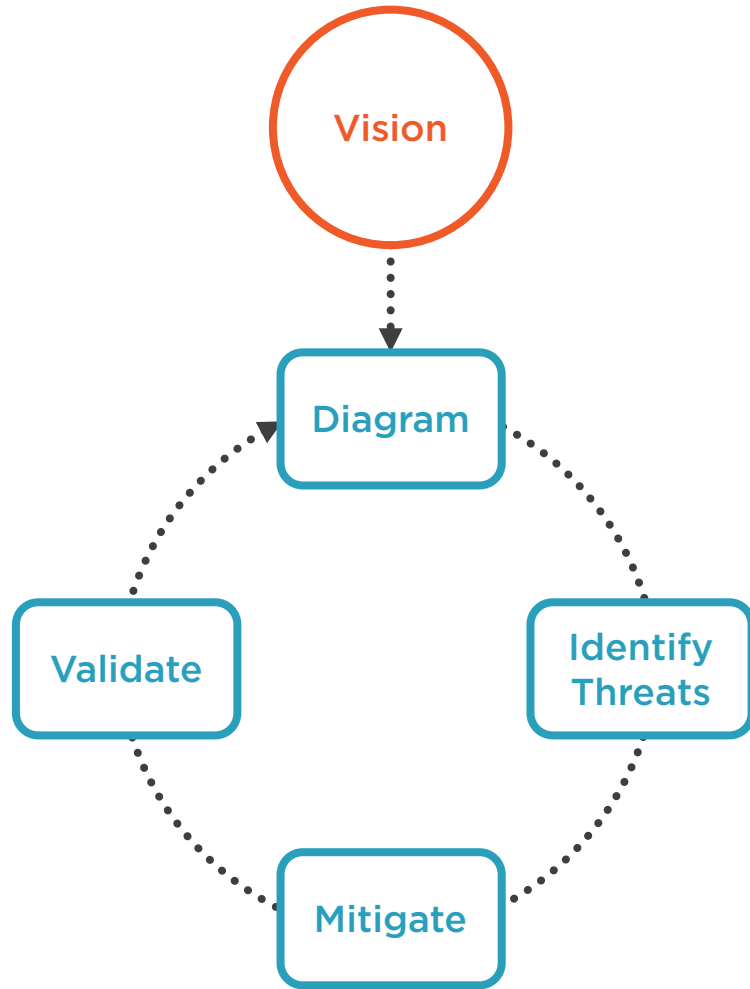


## HTTP(S) Connection

## Database Connection







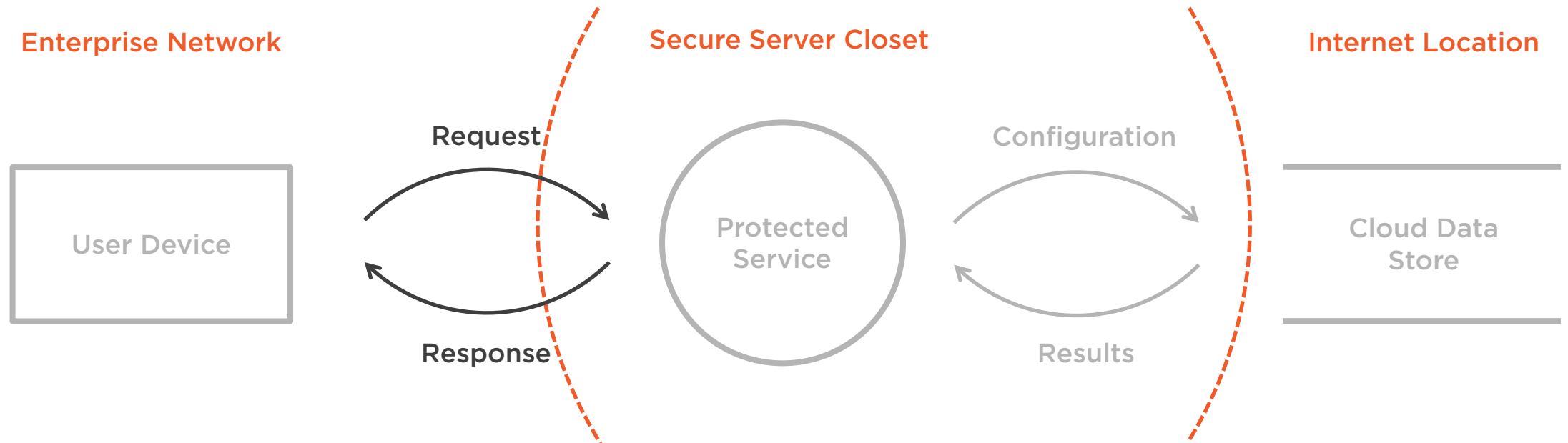
SDL Threat  
Modeling Process

## Threat modeling

### Informal or Formal?

- <http://www.microsoft.com/security/sdl/adopt/threatmodeling.aspx>
  - Definitions
  - Documentation
  - Free download

# Threat Modeling with STRIDE





Risk Analysis

## LOW

- Cafeteria menu
  - The use of static analysis may be enough

## MED

- Perhaps B2B web apps
  - Static and dynamic analysis

## HIGH

- Consumer desktop products
  - All, plus a more expensive pentest and manual analysis

# Summary



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