

The Spy Who Threat Modeled



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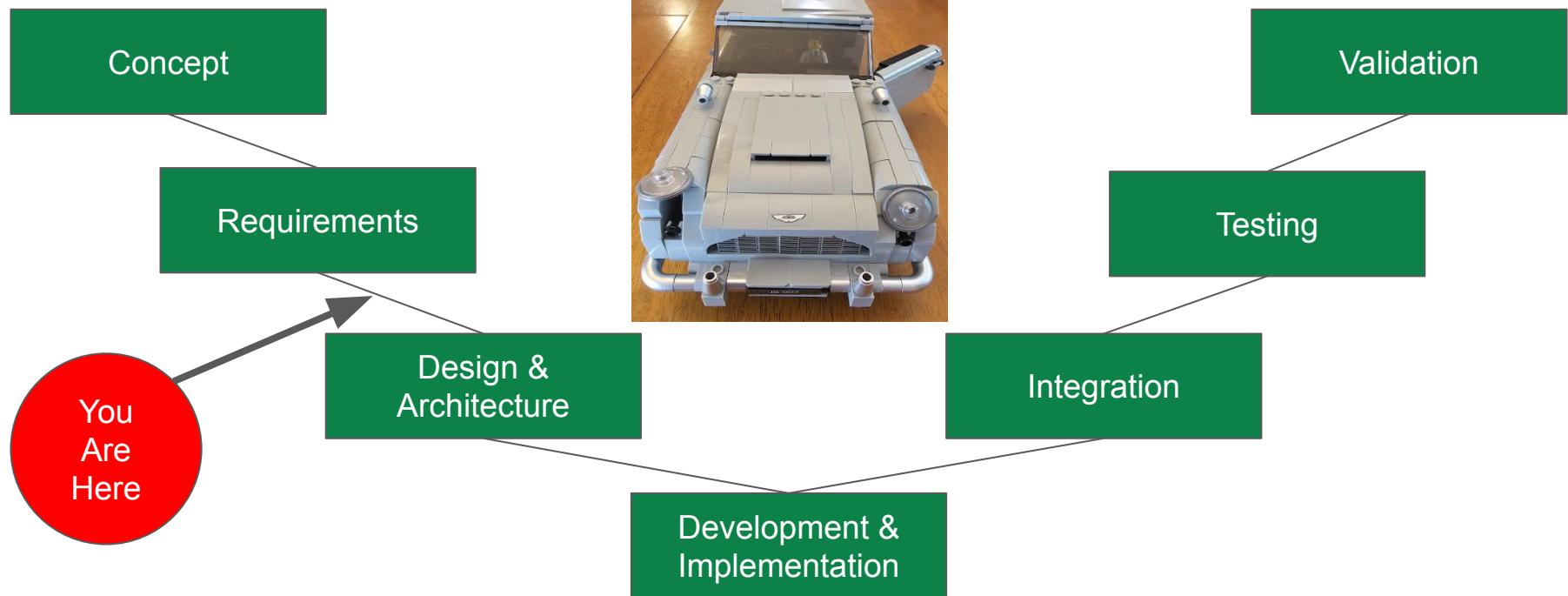
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awareness and training, program
development

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Vehicles Are Complicated



A Brief History

- 1885: Invented the car
- 1908: Ford Model-T
- 1975-1979: Engine Management Systems
- 2011: ISO 26262, Functional Safety of Road Vehicles
- 2015: Jeep Hack
- 2020: ISO 21434, Cybersecurity Engineering of Road Vehicles
- 2021: UNECE 155, Cybersecurity and Cyber Security Management Systems



Practical Damage Scenarios

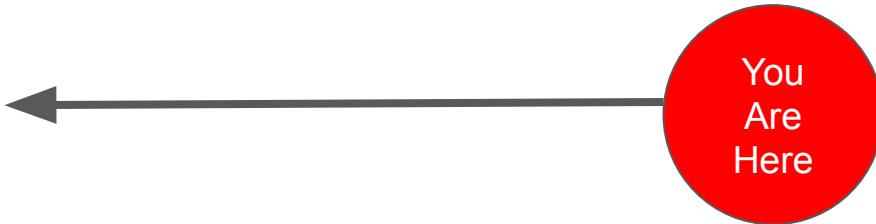
- Basic functionality: Go, stop, steer.
- Functional safety: Don't crash. Have appropriate lights. Fail safe.
- Threat intelligence: Theft. Remote takeover. Abuse of driver privacy.



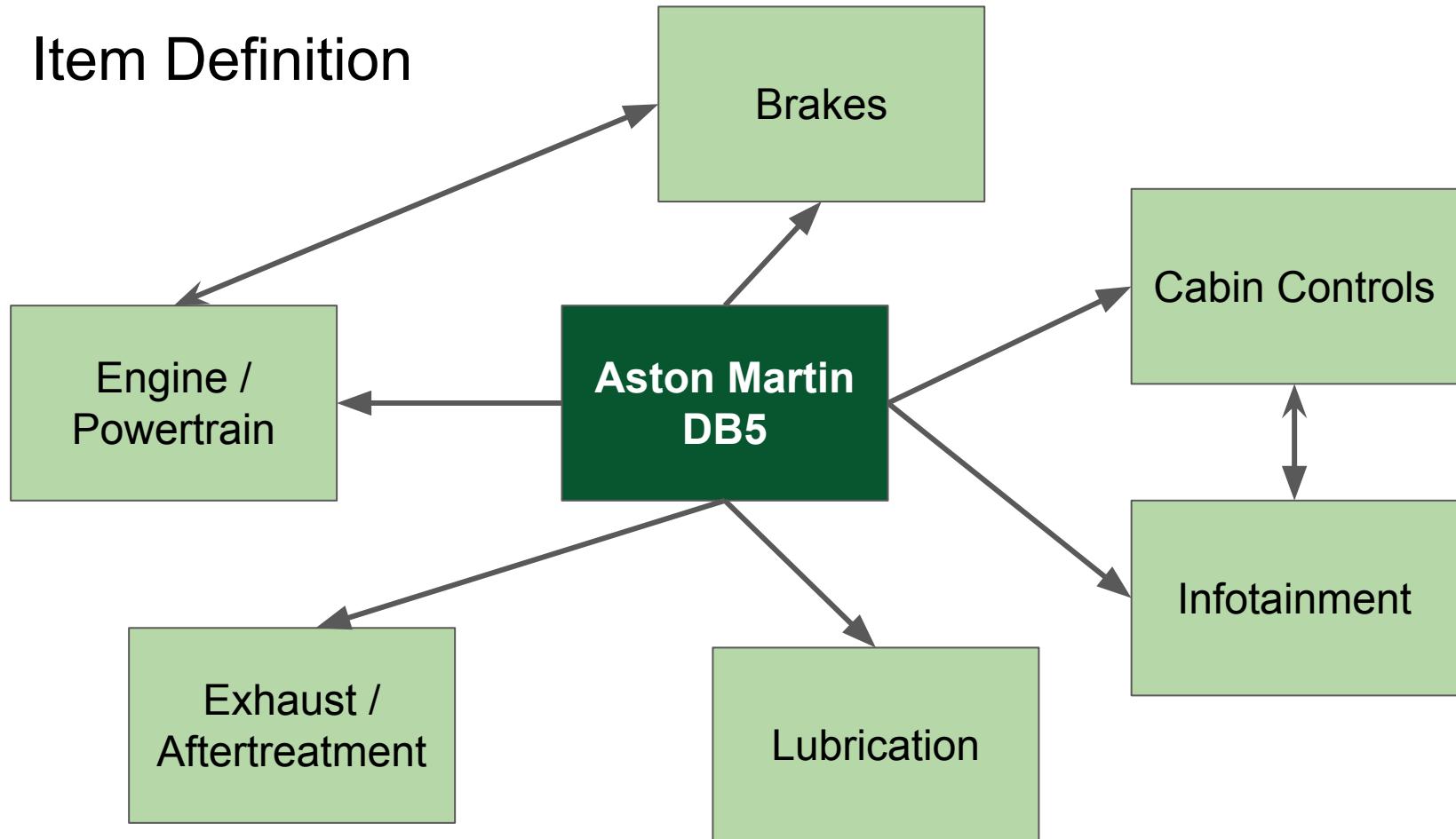
Damage Scenario: *Users*

An Easy 8 Step Process

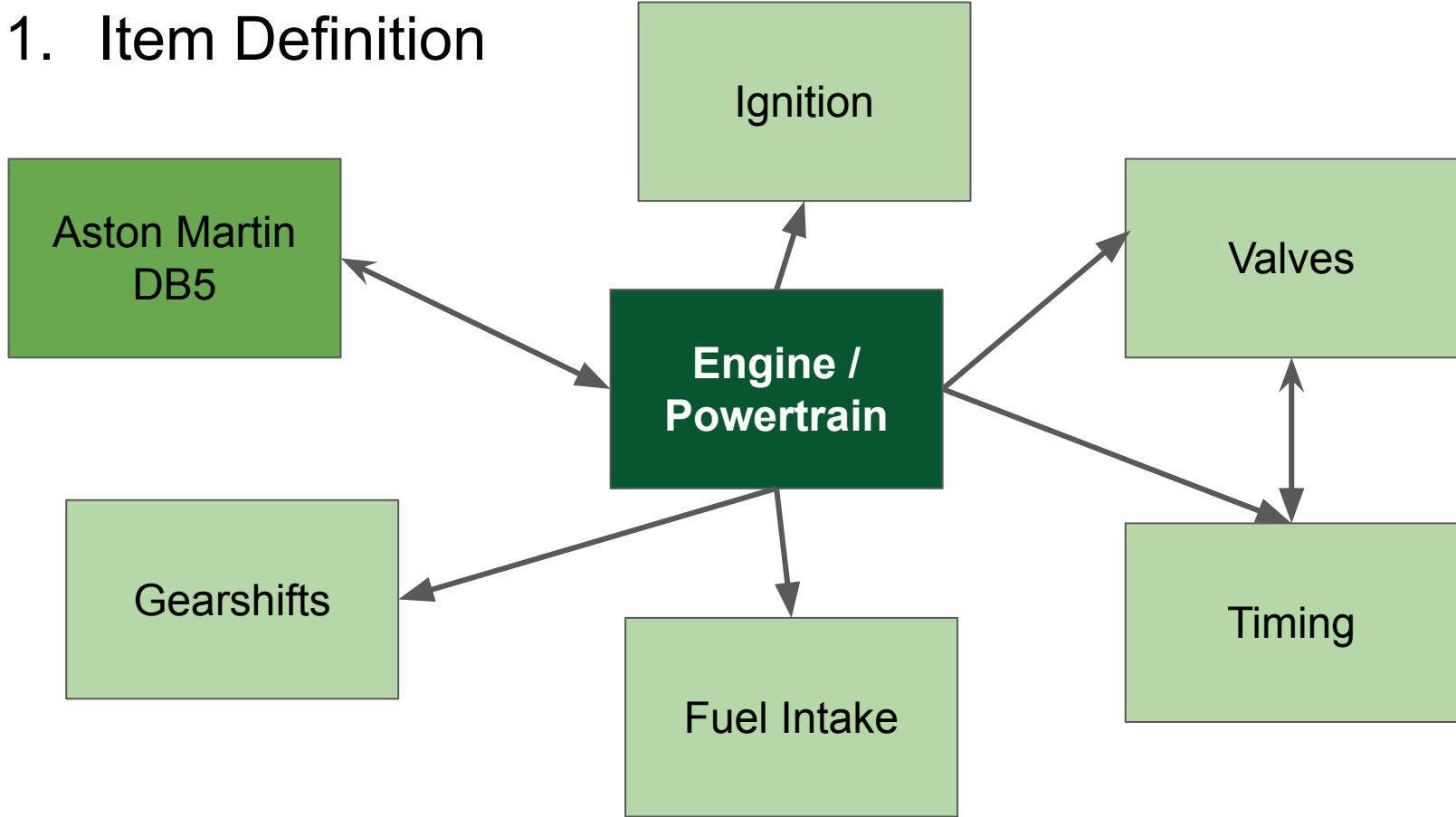
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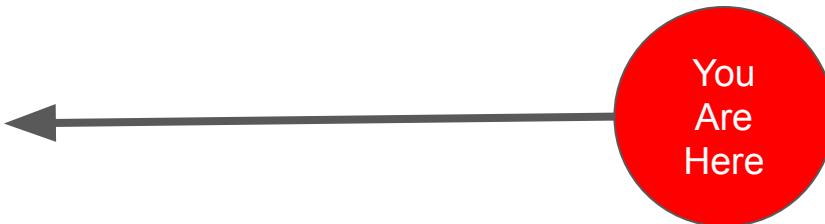


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2: Identify Damage Scenarios

Getting Captured!

Resources stolen or destroyed!

Losing the Villain's trail!

Giving information away!



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3: Identify Threat Scenarios

Henchman
catches up!

Villain spots
us!

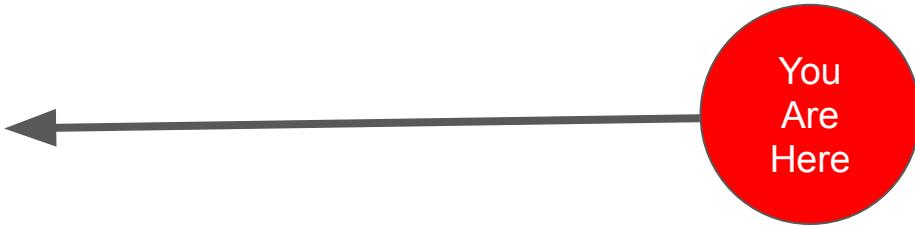
Out of ammo!

Need a quick
exit!

**Getting
Captured!**

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4: Identify Impact Ratings

Safety

Severe; Bond could face serious or fatal injuries!

Operation

Severe; Engines don't like bullet holes

Privacy

Moderate; Bond's only PII is location & plate

Financial

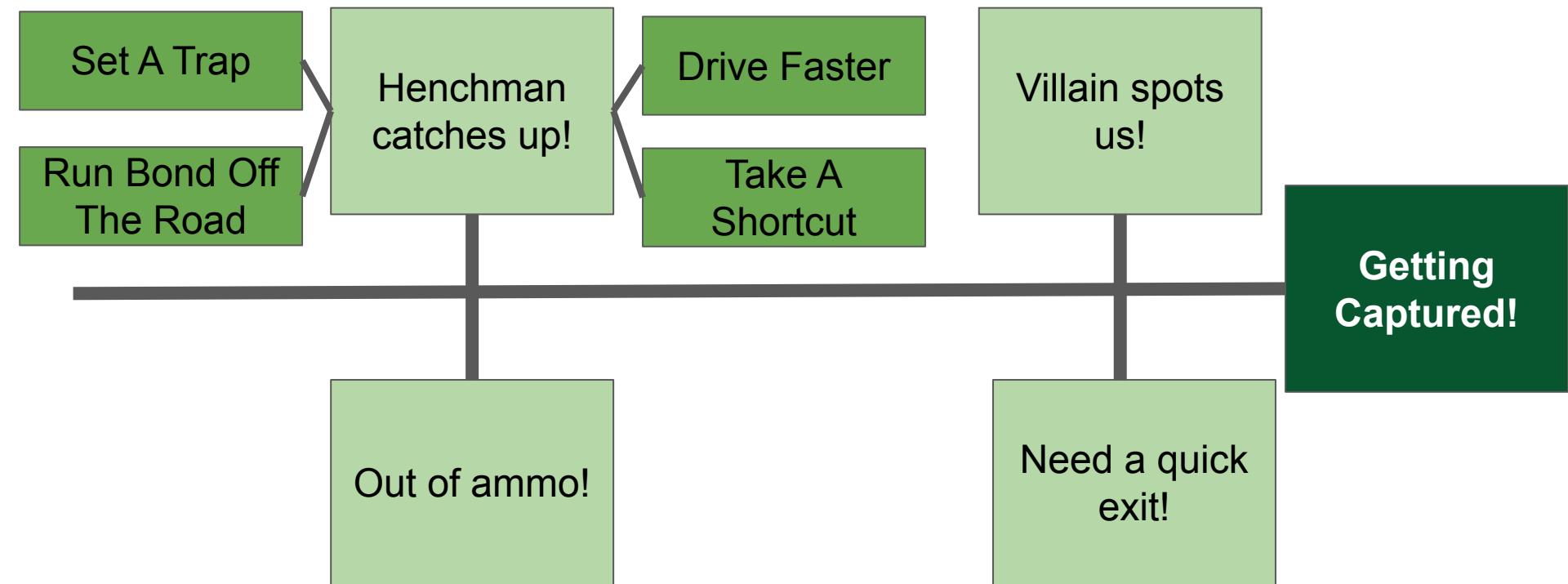
Moderate; Bond has significant means

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5: Attack Path Analysis



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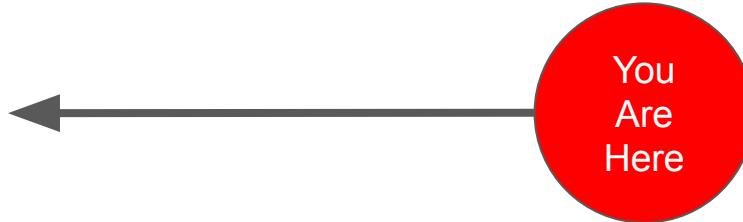


6: Attack Feasibility Analysis

	Time	Expertise	Knowledge	Window of Opportunity	TOTAL RATING
Take A Shortcut	Under 1 Day: 0	Proficient: 3	Restricted: 3	Moderate: 4	10: HIGH
Drive Faster	Under 1 Day: 0	Expert: 6	Public: 0	Unlimited: 0	6: CRITICAL
Set A Trap	Under 1 Month: 4	Proficient: 3	Restricted: 3	Easy: 1	11: HIGH
Run Bond Off The Road	Under 1 Day: 0	Expert: 6	Public: 0	Difficult: 10	16: MEDIUM

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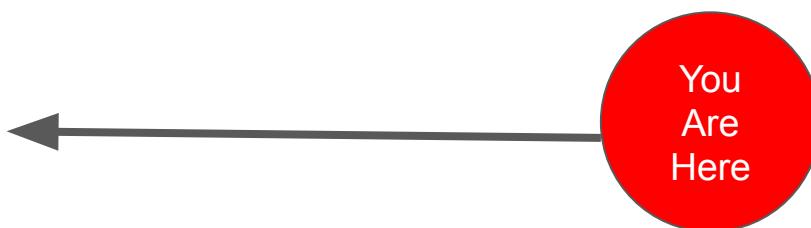


7: Risk Analysis

	Low	Medium	High	Critical
Critical				Drive Faster
High		Take A Shortcut	Set A Trap	
Medium				
Low		Run Off The Road		

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8: Risk Treatments

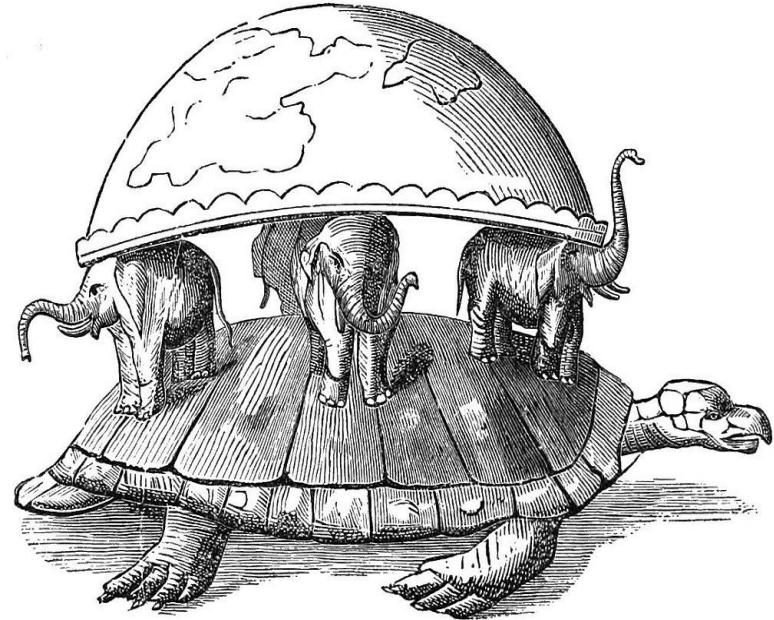
HIGH	Henchmen take a shortcut	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Radar scanner behind mirror• Radar screen in dash
CRITICAL	Henchmen drive faster	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Smoke screen from exhaust• Oil jet and caltrops
HIGH	Henchmen set a trap	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Radar scanner behind mirror• Radar screen in dash
MEDIUM	Henchmen run Bond off the road	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tire slasher

TARAs All The Way Down

Q: What needs a TARA?

A: Any component that can impact the security risk!

Practically: ECUs are interconnected;
be methodical and consistent in
approach



Tooling

- Pros
 - Automation
 - Consistency
 - Repeatability
- Cons
 - Steep learning curve
 - Customization required
 - Needs extensive working knowledge

**SPREADSHEETS
& FLOWCHARTS**

**MICROSOFT
THREAT MODELING**

**VEHICLE
THREAT MODELING**



“Easy” Wins

- Disable unused interfaces
- Separate devices of different trust levels
- Use cryptography properly
- Lock down supporting systems
- Use diagnostics and monitoring wisely



Conclusion

- Don't try to threat model everything at once, break it down
- Don't *overthink* it
- Get help from different disciplines
- Threat modeling is a continuous process
- Perfect is the enemy of good enough

