

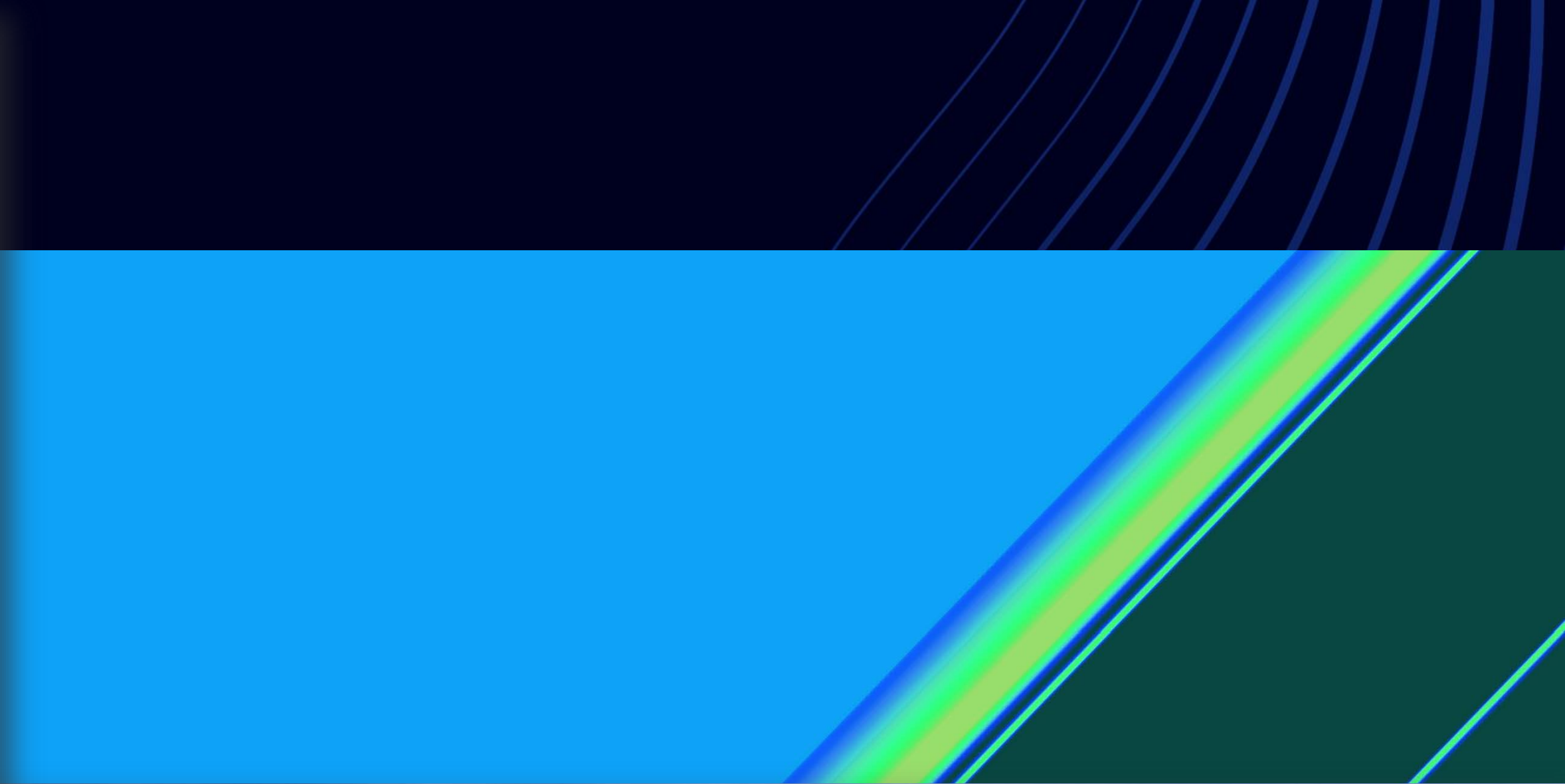


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BridgeAI

Feasibility Study of Generative AI in Automotive Cybersecurity Threat Modelling

16 April 2024



Company – Secure Elements Ltd

Automotive Cybersecurity Engineering Software Company



- ✓ Founded – Jan 2022
- ✓ Mission – Help In Shaping *Safe and Secure* Future Mobility
- ✓ We Build Engineering Tooling Products
 - ✓ **CRISKLE** – Integrated Product Security Lifecycle Application
 - ✓ **CRISKLE MSoC** – Mobility Security Operations Centre

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Feasibility Study

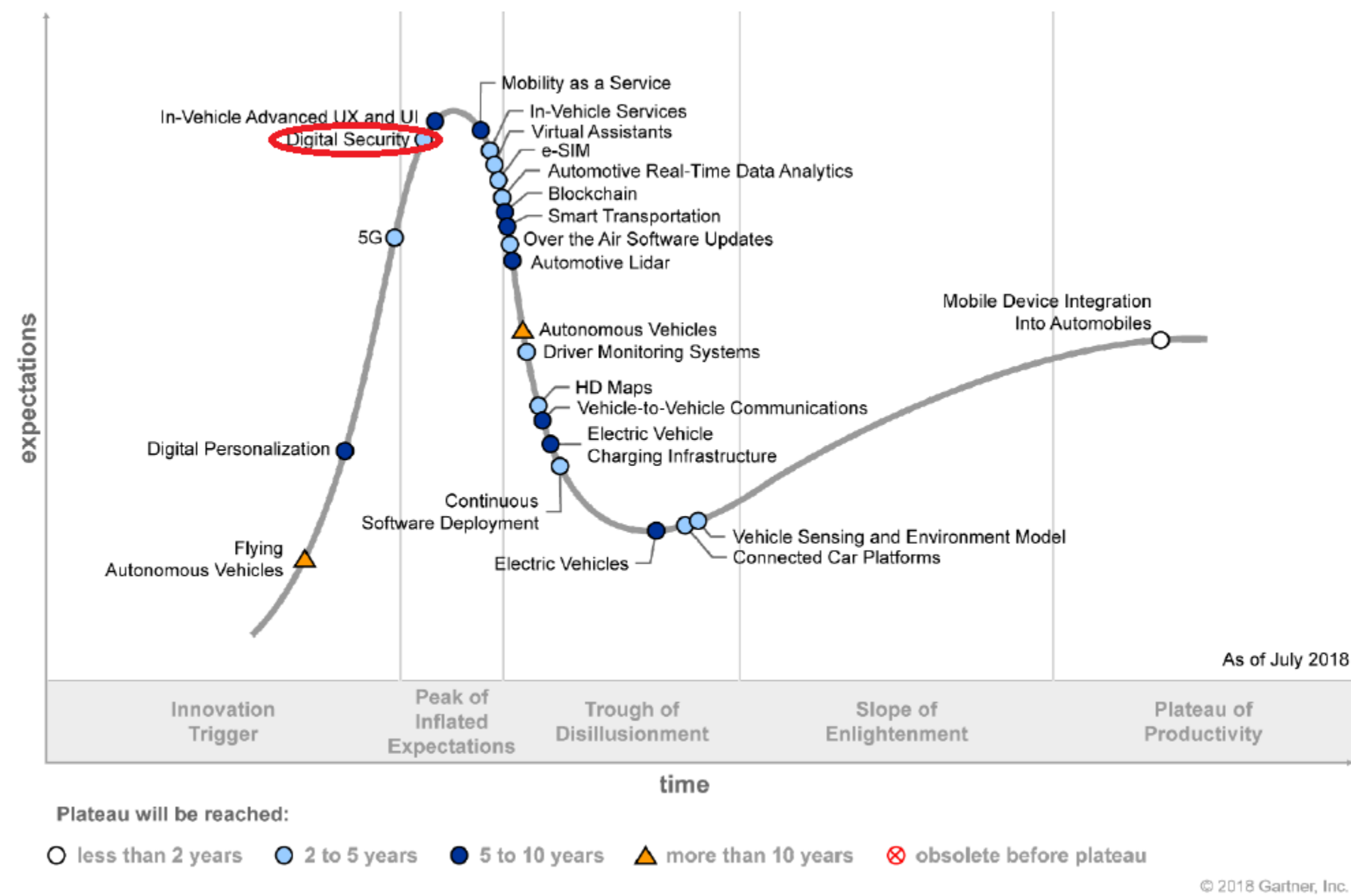
GenAI in Automotive Cybersecurity Threat Modelling

Project Name	GenAI in Automotive Cybersecurity Threat Modelling
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Automotive Cybersecurity Hype Cycle

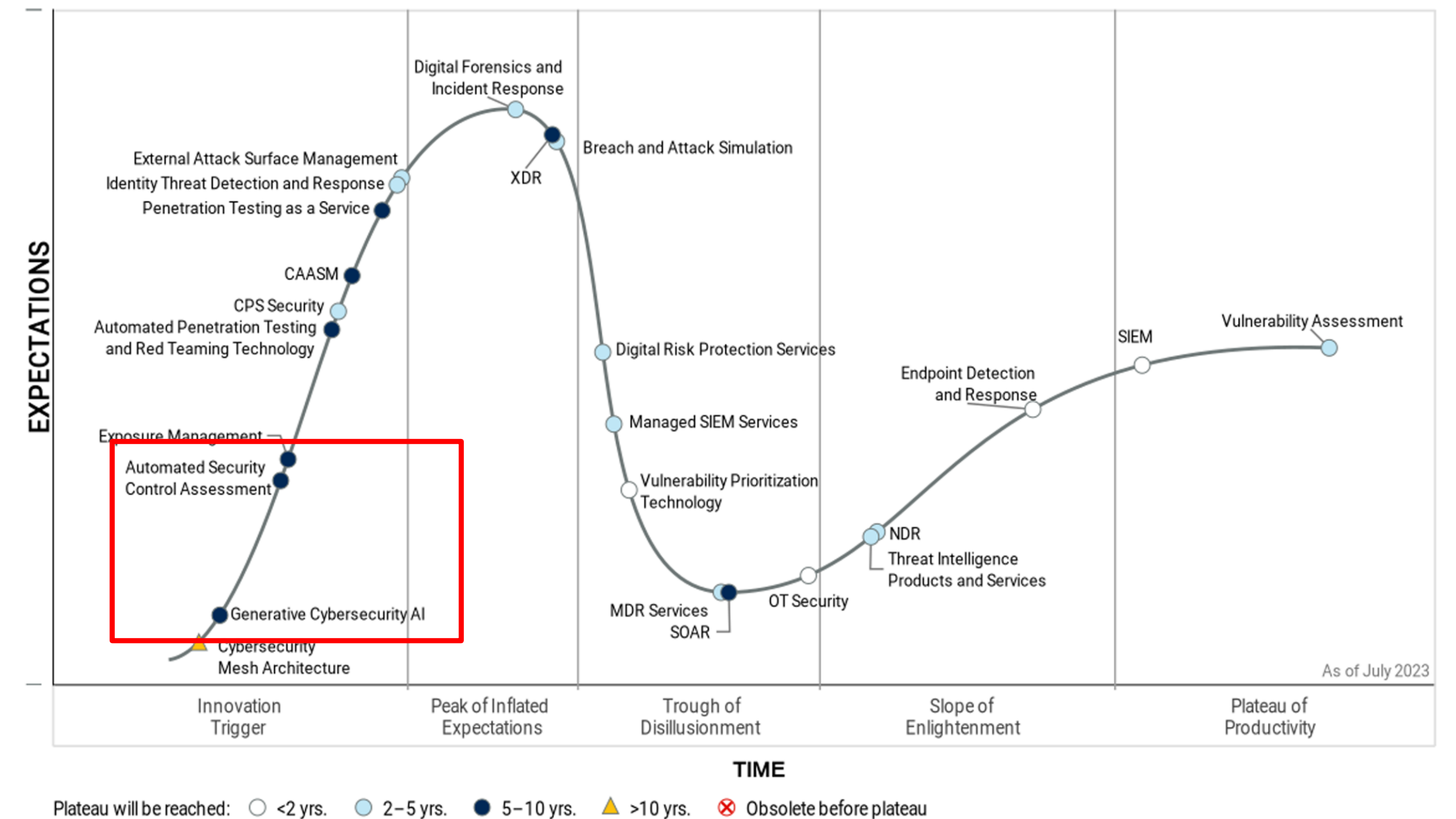
Hype Cycle for Connected Vehicles and Smart Mobility, 2018



Source: Gartner (July 2018)

Figure 1: Hype Cycle for Security Operations, 2023

Hype Cycle for Security Operations, 2023



Gartner

GenAI led cybersecurity solutions for automotive are an innovation trigger



Automotive Cybersecurity

Today



Partially Connected Human Driven Cars

Transition →

+ 3 to 5 Years



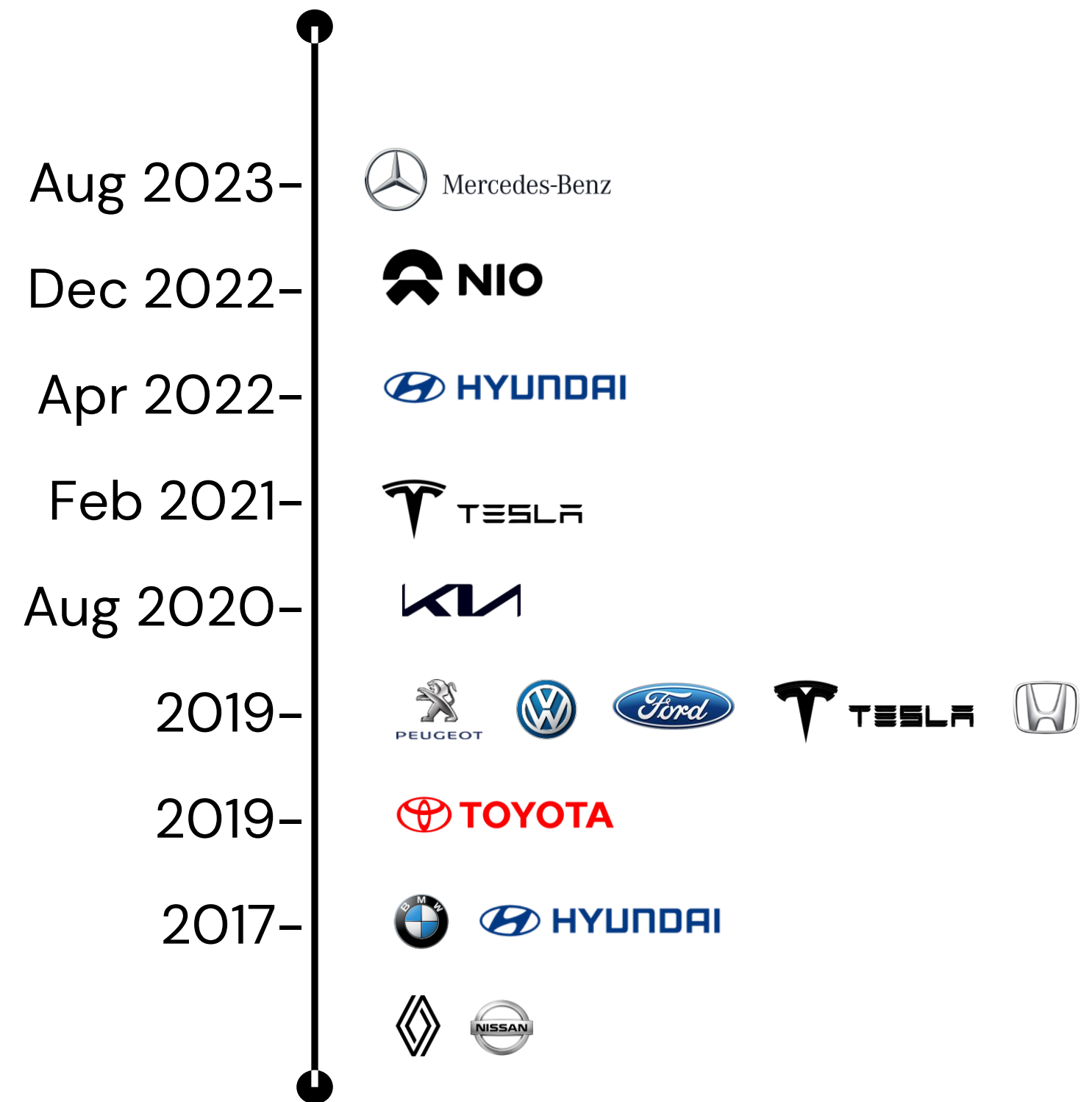
CASE | C - connected, A - automated, S - shared, E - electric
Software Defined Vehicles Governing Safety

Transition to **Software Defined Connected Vehicles** brings Substantial Safety, **Security** And Liability Risks For Automakers



Cybersecurity Attacks on Rise

Mobility companies have seen an exponential rise in automotive cybersecurity attacks



Is YOUR car safe? Jeep hackers that prompted recall of 1.4 million vehicles show off new hack to take control at high speeds

- Sent false messages to its internal network, overriding the correct ones
- Were able to make vehicle unintentionally speed up, or slam on its brakes
- Hackers now work for car service Uber

Tech

Hackers crack Tesla software to get free features

Premium in-car features include Full Self-Driving and heated seats

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Security

Security bugs let these car hackers remotely control a Mercedes-Benz

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Regulations

Is driving compliance & is a legal requirement

Every automotive organization requires a well-established Cybersecurity Management System [CSMS]

INCOMING REGULATIONS

Non-compliance means

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China
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Financial
Damage

Loose
Access to
Market

Operational
Loss

Loss of
Privacy

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Porsche To Kill ICE-Powered Macan In Europe Over Cybersecurity Laws

Porsche's best-selling model will be discontinued from markets within the European Union in spring of 2024



by Thanos Pappas December 15, 2023 at 08:29 22





Ok, so what's the Problem ?

Conducting Cyber Risk Assessments - Tooling

Excel Based TARA Tools for Threat Modelling

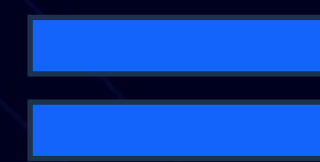


Lack of experienced personnel to conduct TARA Assessments



Significant/continual human effort required to conduct TARA on >60 ECU's /Vehicle

Result



TARA becomes a **STATIC** document

- ❖ With fixed <limited> number of assets and threat scenarios
- ❖ Requires significant labor <labor intensive>
- ❖ Only covers bear minimum attack vectors
- ❖ Manual effort required to relate Threat Scenario's and Mitigation

Overall, leading to incomplete TARA documents resulting in increasing vulnerabilities and exposed attack surfaces.

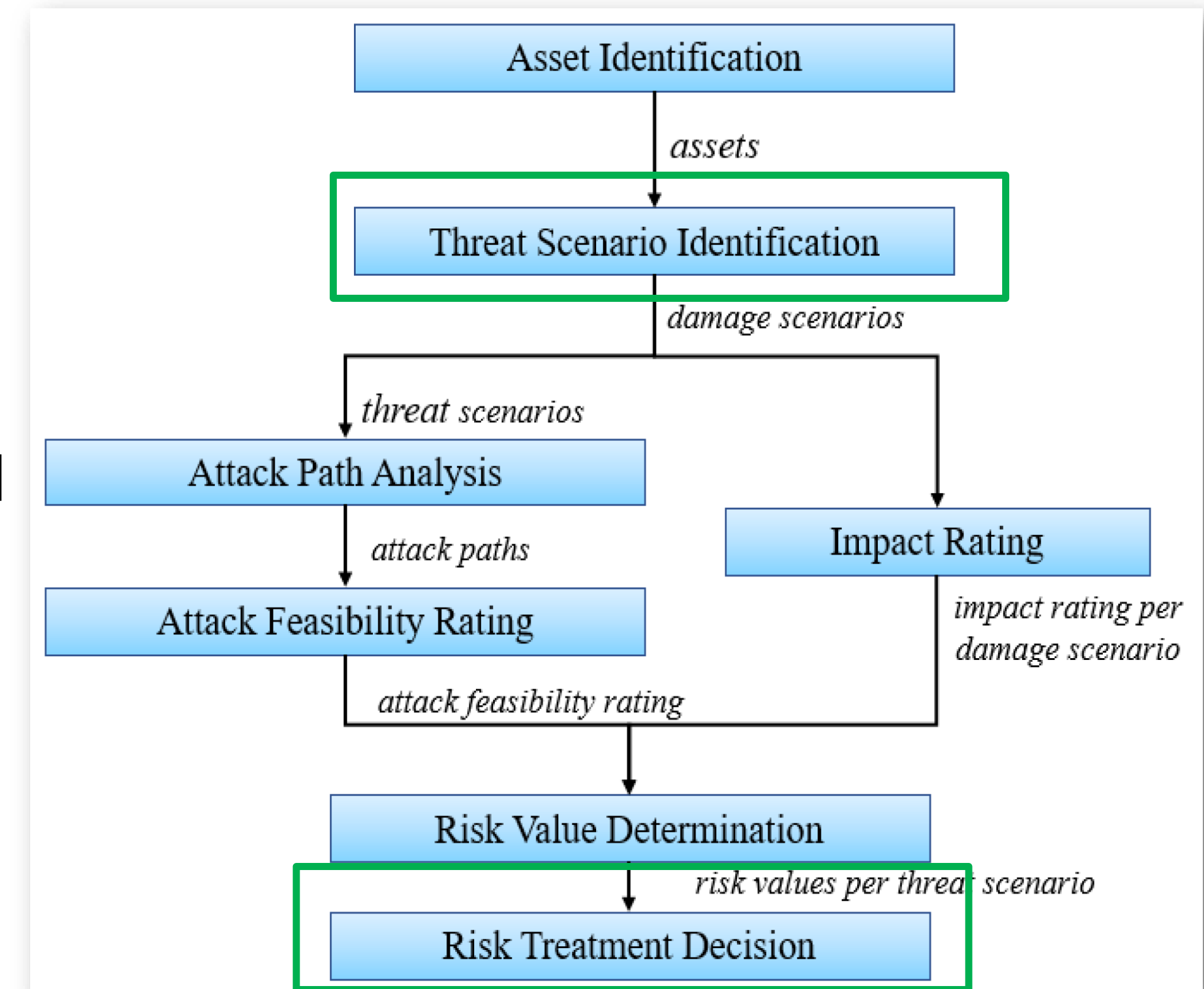


ISO/SAE 21434 based TARA

Threat Modelling Steps

Threat modelling comprises six essential steps

- Assets [SW, HW, Data etc]
- **Threat Scenario generation for the Asset [CIA Triad compromise of Asset]**
- Attack Path Feasibility Rating
- Impact Rating
- Risk Determination and
- **Mitigation Strategies**





Datasets for Training

Cybersecurity Pre-Labeled Data

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Dataset	Real/Synthetic	Attacks	DoS	Fuzzing	Replay	Spoofing	Suspension	Masquerade	Benign duration	Attack duration	Labeled
HCRL CH	Real	4	✓	✓	-	✓	-	-	0h 8m 20s	7h 21m 57s	Yes
HCRL OTIDS	Real	3	✓	✓	-	-	-	✓	0h 17m 17s	0h 18m 56s	No
HCRL SA	Real	9	✓	✓	-	✓	-	-	0h 3m 31s	0h 8m 53s	Yes
HCRL CHDC	Real	4	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	0h 23m 23s	Yes
SynCAN	Synthetic	5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	Yes
TU Eindhoven	Synthetic	5	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	-	0h 19m 20s	0h 8m 17s	Yes
ROAD	Real	13	-	✓	-	✓	-	✓	3h 0m 32s	0h 27m 10s	No

Scenario Set Up Parameter	Value
Data Set Name	Real ORNL Automotive Dynamometer (ROAD) CAN Intrusion Dataset
Type of Bus System	CAN
Number of Attack Captures in Dataset	13
Number of ECU's in dataset	106
Total Time of recorded dataset - Attack	30 minutes
No. Of Ambient captures	12
Attack Types	Fuzzing, Spoofing and Masquerade
Attack Nature (CIA) property	Authenticity, Integrity



Model Training – Trial 1

Threat Scenario Generation using LLM without any system context data

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Input Threat Scenario

```
# Generate a new threat scenario  
seed_text = 'An attacker disables the eCall functionality' # Replace with your actual seed text or ID  
new_scenario = generate_scenario(seed_text)
```

Generated Scenario

```
Setting `pad_token_id` to `eos_token_id`:50256 for open-end generation.  
An attacker disables the eCall functionality but only if it hasn't been installed.  
Therefore, for any call that is not installed, calls with the "id" parameter should be sent to the attacker via the CallPolicy object,  
, which will then attempt
```

Output :

- Incomplete Threat scenario
- Random in nature // Hallucinated
- No context



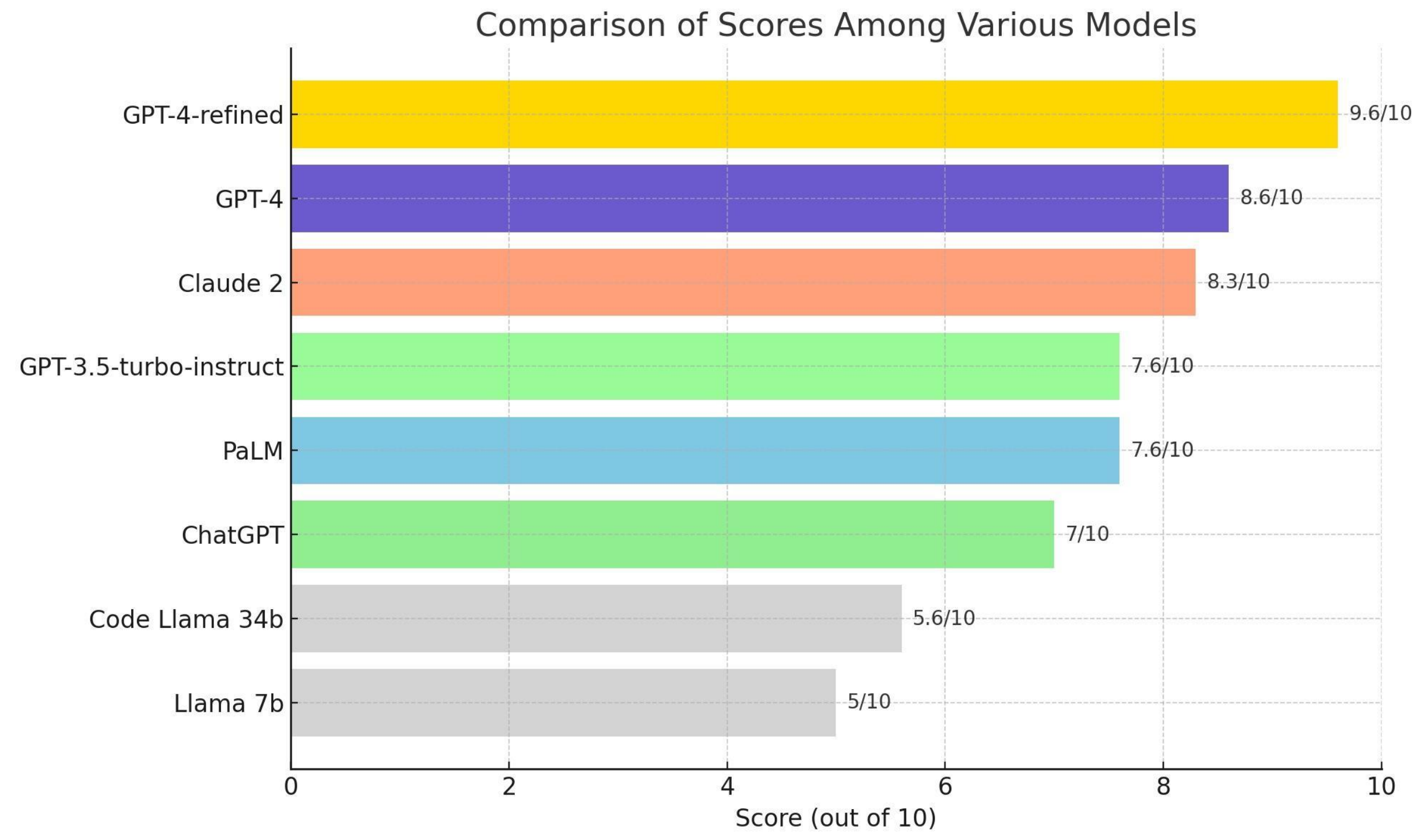
LLM Model Comparison

Model Size and Customisation

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OpenAI – Customisation possible using Open AI platform.

LLAMA – customisation not possible in the cloud. Provides Generic output

CLAUDE – customisation not possible in the cloud. Provides Generic output

GEMINI – customisation not possible in the cloud. Provides Generic output



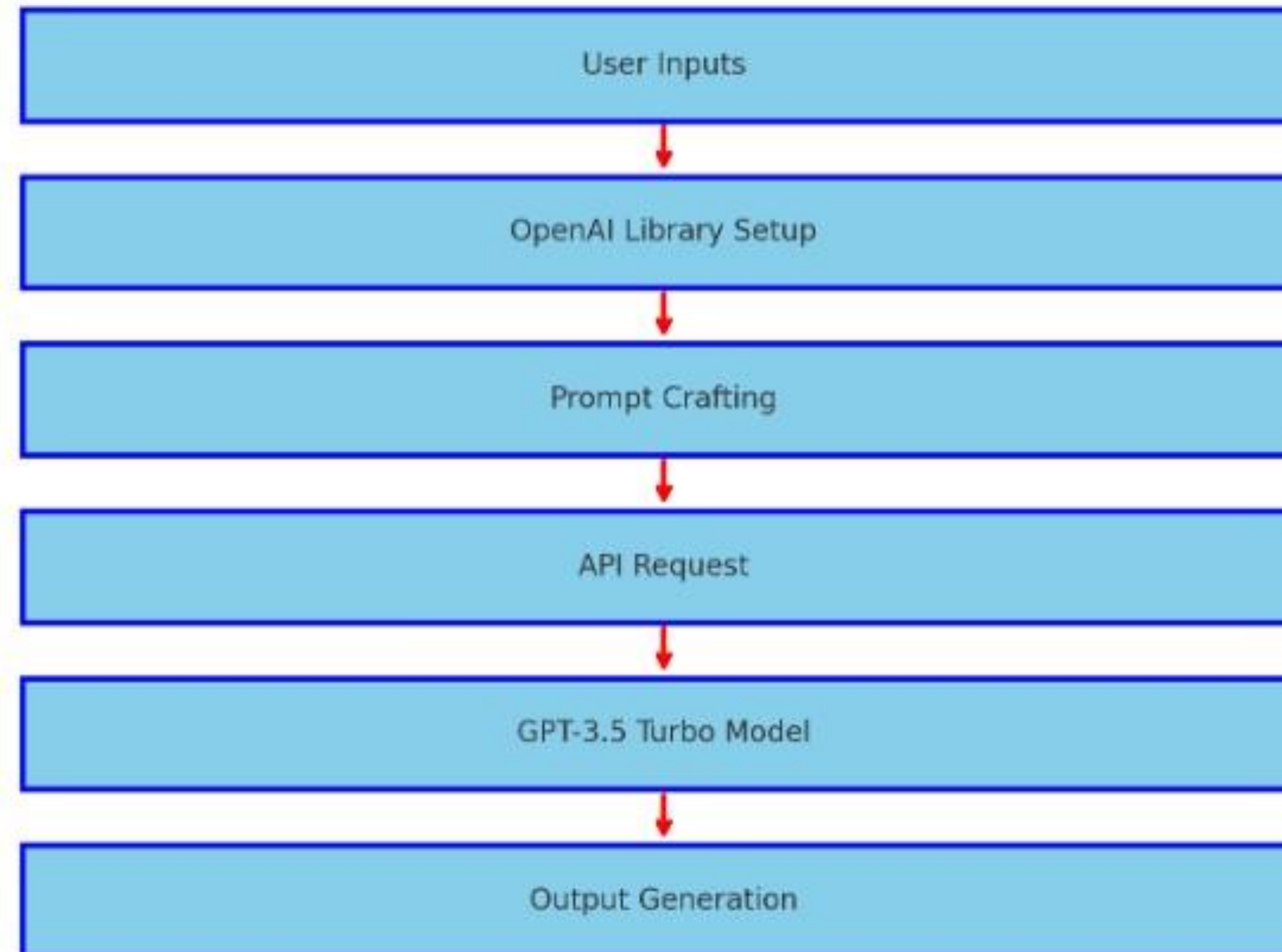
Model Training – Trial 2

LLM Example : OpenAI – Threat Scenario Generation

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Model Training

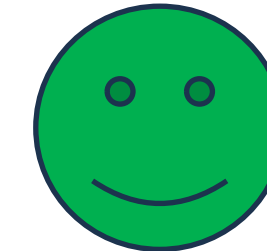
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10 Generated Threat Scenario



A hacker gains access to a vehicle's CAN bus and exploits a vulnerability in the infotainment system, allowing them to remotely control the vehicle's functions and potentially steal sensitive personal information from the driver.

Malicious actor exploits a vulnerability in a vehicle's Bluetooth connectivity to gain remote access and control over critical systems, such as brakes and steering.

Malicious actor hacks into a vehicle's onboard computer system, gaining unauthorized access to control critical functions such as brakes, steering, and acceleration. The attacker may exploit vulnerabilities in the software or use social engineering to gain access to the system.

A hacker gains access to a vehicle's internal network and manipulates the CAN bus to send false signals, causing the vehicle's brakes to malfunction while in motion. The attacker exploits a vulnerability in the system's software to gain access to the CAN bus.

Hackers gain access to a vehicle's CAN bus and exploit a vulnerability in the infotainment system, allowing them to remotely control the vehicle's functions and steal sensitive data.

Cybercriminal hacks into a vehicle's infotainment system through a compromised Wi-Fi connection, allowing them to access sensitive data and control the vehicle's functions remotely.

A hacker gains access to a vehicle's CAN bus system and manipulates the data to spoof signals, causing the car to accelerate or brake unexpectedly, potentially causing a collision.

Malicious actor hacks into the vehicle's infotainment system through a remote code execution vulnerability, gaining control over critical functions such as braking and steering.

A cyber criminal hacks into the vehicle's CAN bus system and gains control of the brakes, causing them to malfunction and potentially leading to a dangerous accident. The attacker exploits a vulnerability in the vehicle's software to gain access to the CAN bus.

A hacker exploits a vulnerability in a vehicle's remote access system to gain control of the car's functions, including acceleration and braking, causing a potentially dangerous situation for the driver and passengers.

Output :

- Complete Threat scenario
- System based Contextualised output

Model Architecture

Threat Scenario Confirmation as Listed in Annex 5

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Generated Threats compared to Threats listed in R155 Annex 5

```
# print results
Similar= docs_new[0].page_content
print(docs_new[0].page_content) # most similar
```

Manipulation of electronic hardware, e.g. unauthorized electronic hardware added to a vehicle to enable "man-in-the-middle" attack

Annex 5



List of threats and corresponding mitigations

1. This annex consists of three parts. Part A of this annex describes the baseline for threats, vulnerabilities and attack methods. Part B of this annex describes mitigations to the threats which are intended for vehicle types. Part C describes mitigations to the threats which are intended for areas outside of vehicles, e.g. on IT backends.
2. Part A, Part B, and Part C shall be considered for risk assessment and mitigations to be implemented by vehicle manufacturers.
3. The high-level vulnerability and its corresponding examples have been indexed in Part A. The same indexing has been referenced in the tables in Parts B and C to link each of the attack/vulnerability with a list of corresponding mitigation measures.
4. The threat analysis shall also consider possible attack impacts. These may help ascertain the severity of a risk and identify additional risks. Possible attack impacts may include:
 - (a) Safe operation of vehicle affected;
 - (b) Vehicle functions stop working;
 - (c) Software modified, performance altered;
 - (d) Software altered but no operational effects;
 - (e) Data integrity breach;
 - (f) Data confidentiality breach;
 - (g) Loss of data availability;
 - (h) Other, including criminality.

Part A. Vulnerability or attack method related to the threats



Mitigation – Security Controls

Mitigation – Security Controls (R155 Annex 5)

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LLM Based Control Mechanism used for Security Control determination – Model

```
# Check if the 'page_content' is contained by or contains the 'Threat_Description'  
#if query_content in threat_description or threat_description in query_content:  
if query_content in threat_description:  
    # Print the corresponding mitigation measure  
    print(f"Mitigation Measure: {row['Mitigation']}")  
    match_found = True  
    break # Exit the loop after finding the first match  
  
if not match_found:  
    print("No matching threat description found in the CSV.")  
    # After the loop, these prints would refer to the last row processed in the loop if no match is found  
    # If you intend to print the last 'Threat_Description' processed and it didn't match, ensure correct indentation
```

Mitigation Measure: Measures to prevent and detect unauthorized access shall be employed



Integration of Model

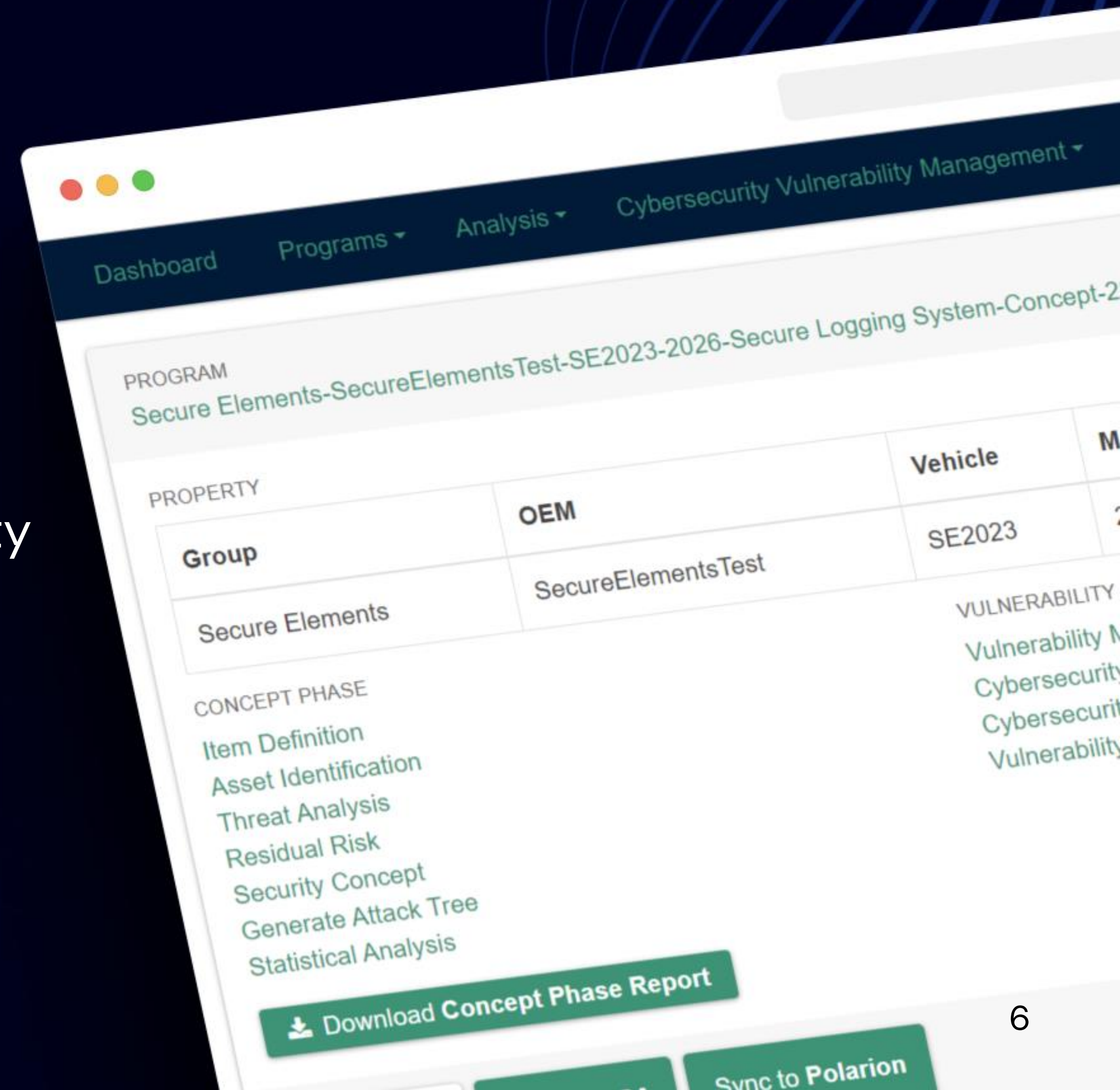
Product Cybersecurity Engineering Application

CRISKLE™

Integrates Systems, Safety and Cybersecurity Engineering Processes to assess

- Product Cybersecurity Risks and
- Cybersecurity Vulnerabilities

Through out the Product Lifecycle





Application Integration

Model Integration in CRISKLE

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Inputs to the Threat Scenario Model

LLM generated Threat Scenario in CRISKLE, where, system Inputs are provided using templates : Default Template {

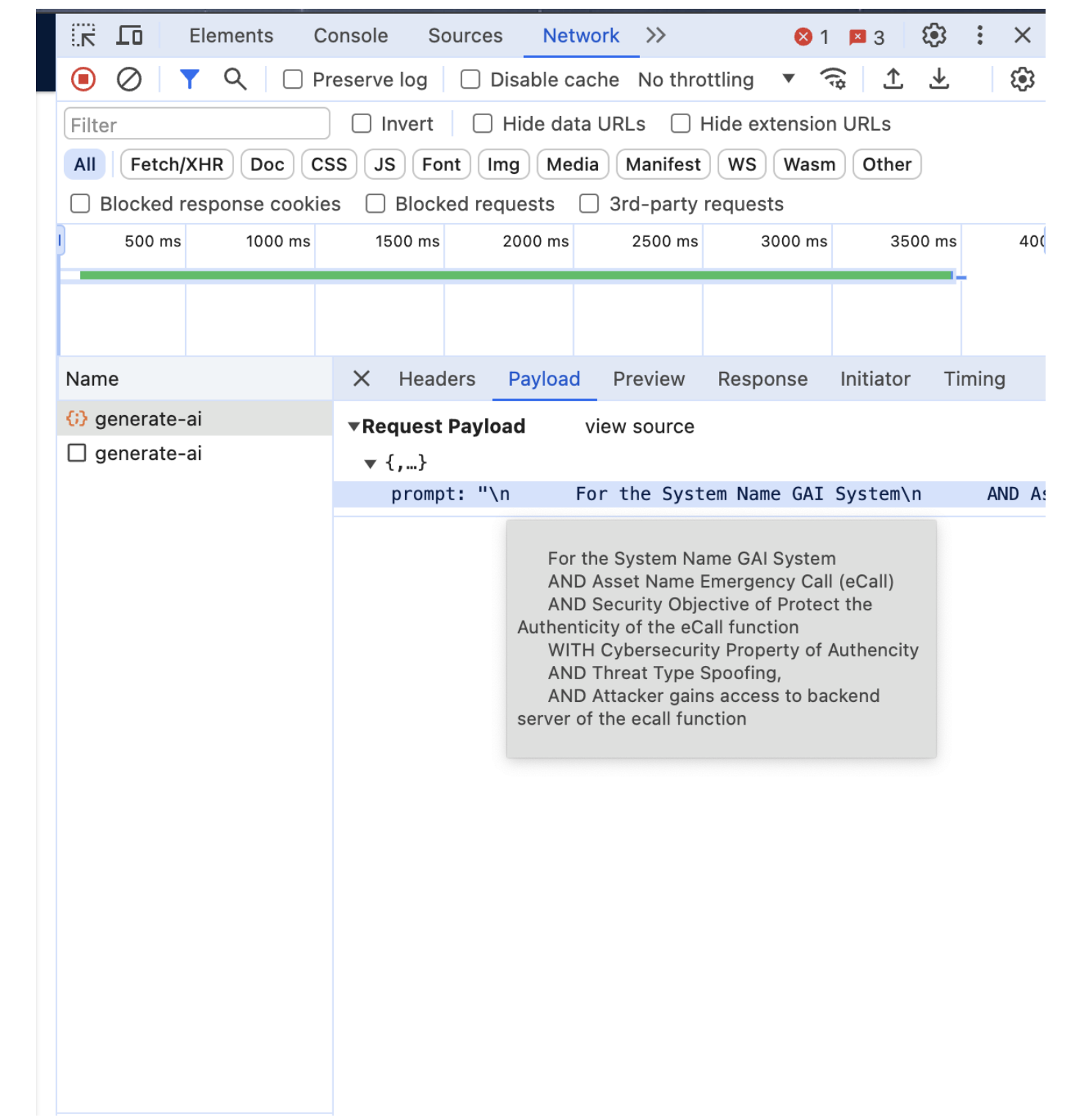
- System Name
- Asset Name
- Security Goal/Objective
- Cybersecurity Property
- Is threat type part of WP29 Annex. 5:
- Define Threat Sub-scenario:
- Threat Type: Spoofing
- Threat Scenario text (User Input) }

Example scenario generation template:

```

{
  • For the System Name Connected and Automated System
  • AND Asset Name CANSignalName
  • AND Security Objective of Protect the Authenticity of the CAN Signal
  • WITH Cybersecurity Property of Authenticity
  • AND is part of WP29 of Threats related to Vehicle Communication Channel
  • WITH this Threat sub-scenario Loss of vehicle data and code
  • AND Threat Type Spoofing
  • AND Threat Scenario Description Attacker gains access to in vehicle CAN communication bus via remote access
}

```





Application

Integration in CRISKLE TARA

Detection using Open-Source vehicle dataset

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The screenshot displays the CRISKLE TARA web application interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Dashboard, Programs, Analysis, Cybersecurity Vulnerability Management, Organization, and Switch Apps, along with an Account button. The main content area shows a 'Threat Scenario Description' field with the text 'Attacker gains access to backend server of the ecall function'. Below this, the 'Threat Type' is set to 'Spoofing'. A section titled 'Safety Hazards' contains a table with columns for Hazard ID, Hazard Name, ASIL Rating, and Safety Goals. A purple button labeled 'View Functional Safety Concept' is visible. Below the table, there is a question: 'Does this Threat on the Asset generate any SOTIF related Hazard?' with radio buttons for 'Yes' and 'No'. A section titled 'Threat Generated using GenerativeAI' shows the same threat scenario and a 'Generated Threat Scenarios' dropdown menu set to 'Default Template'. A text box contains a detailed description of the threat: 'The GAI System's Emergency Call (eCall) function must ensure the authenticity of the calls made to prevent any unauthorized access or manipulation by attackers. Specifically, in the context of the Threat sub-scenario Abuse of privileges, the Cybersecurity Property of Authenticity is crucial in mitigating the Threat Type of Spoofing. This scenario highlights the risk of an attacker gaining access to the backend server of the eCall function, potentially leading to unauthorized use or manipulation of emergency calls. To address this threat, robust authentication mechanisms and access controls should be implemented to protect the integrity and authenticity of the eCall system.' At the bottom of this section, there are navigation buttons for '5 / 5', 'Previous', and 'Next', along with a 'Re-generate Threat Scenario' button.



Conclusion

It is possible to generate quality threat scenarios and mitigation controls for cybersecurity assessments by leveraging LLM's.

~~Excel Based TARA Tools for Threat Modelling~~

GenAI Based TARA Tools



~~Lack of experienced personnel to conduct TARA Assessments~~

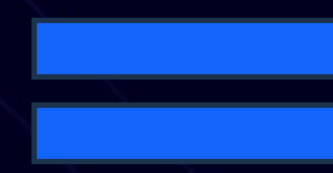
AI/LLM based TARA can assist engineers to complete TARA Assessments



~~Significant/continual human effort required to conduct TARA on >60 ECU's /Vehicle~~

Reduced labour/time/cost

Result



TARA becomes a **static dynamic** document

- ❖ Capability to generate/auto complete threat scenario/s
- ❖ Auto complete relationship between Threat Scenarios and Mitigations
- ❖ Reduces labor, increasing speed of performing TARA thereby increasing productivity.
- ❖ Steps beyond R155 and looks at wide areas of Attacks (subject to model training)



Challenges

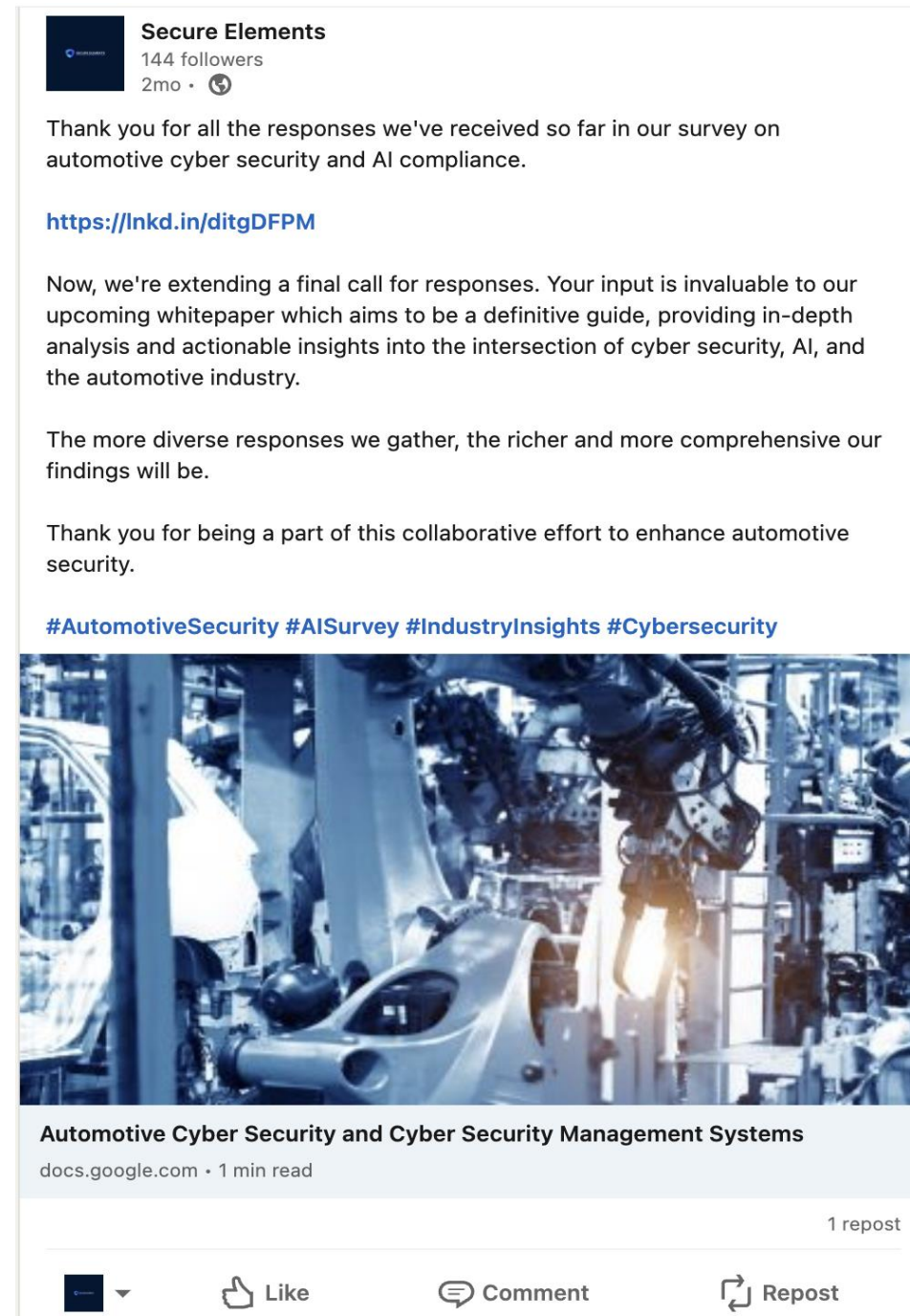
Key Challenges

- ❖ Limited training data
- ❖ Limited Time – 6 months [Challenging for Certifying and Annotating results]
- ❖ GDPR/Privacy of data [confidentiality] was not part of project but must be thoroughly addressed.
- ❖ Model training takes long time [HPU needed]
- ❖ Careful selection of LLM algorithms.
- ❖ Access to real vehicle data, DBC data and CAN Logs.

Project Achievements

Some of our achievements this quarter –

- Research Paper submitted for ITS World Congress 2024 – Accepted
- Attended the AESIN Plenary for Project Dissemination activity
- LinkedIn Campaign on acceptance of GenAI for Cybersecurity – Data being put together



Thank you

Interested in Trialing **CRISKLE for
Cybersecurity Risk Assessments to achieve
UNECE R155 compliance ?**



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