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## Incident Response: A Test Pilot's Perspective

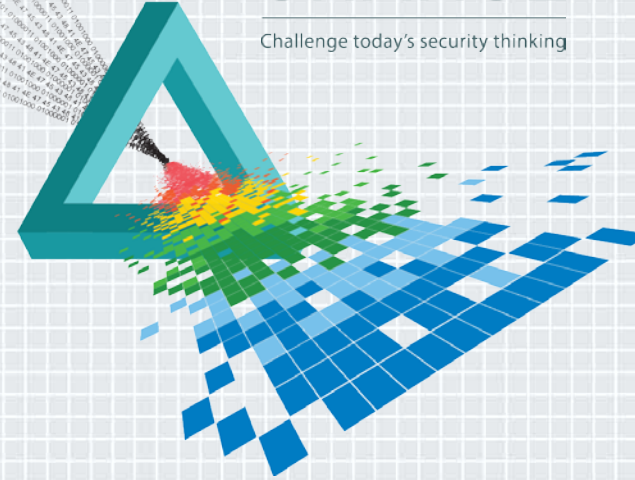
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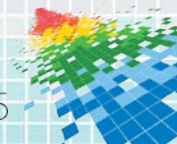
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Challenge today's security thinking

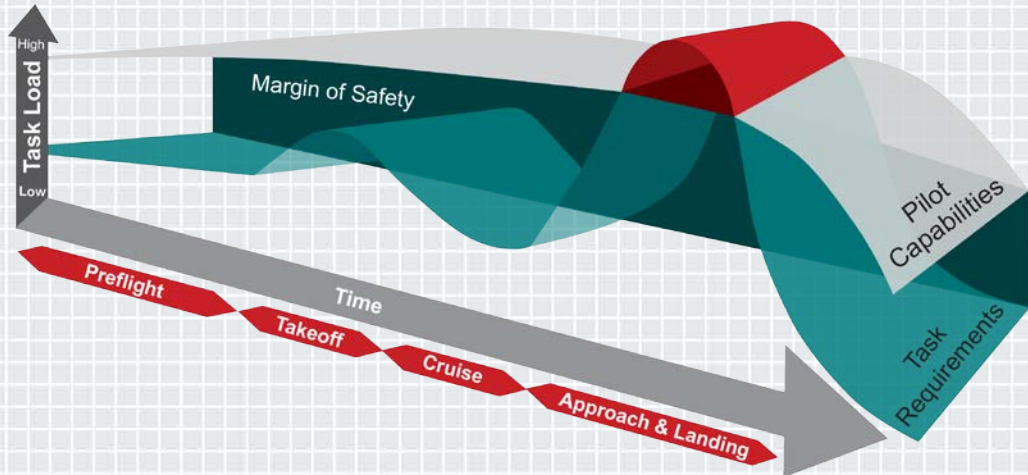


# Agenda

- ◆ Why Does the Test Pilot Analogy Work?
- ◆ The Evolving Role of Incident Response
- ◆ Threat Ecosystem
- ◆ Processing Architecture
- ◆ Readiness
- ◆ Applying Concepts



# Why Does the Pilot Analogy Work?



Near real-time decision making

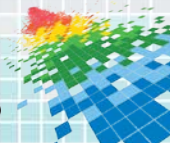
Efficient resource management

Multi-disciplinary

Dependencies on external factors

Risk-based decision making

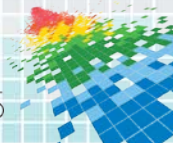
Adaptability is essential



# The (Experimental) Test Pilot Analogy Works Even Better

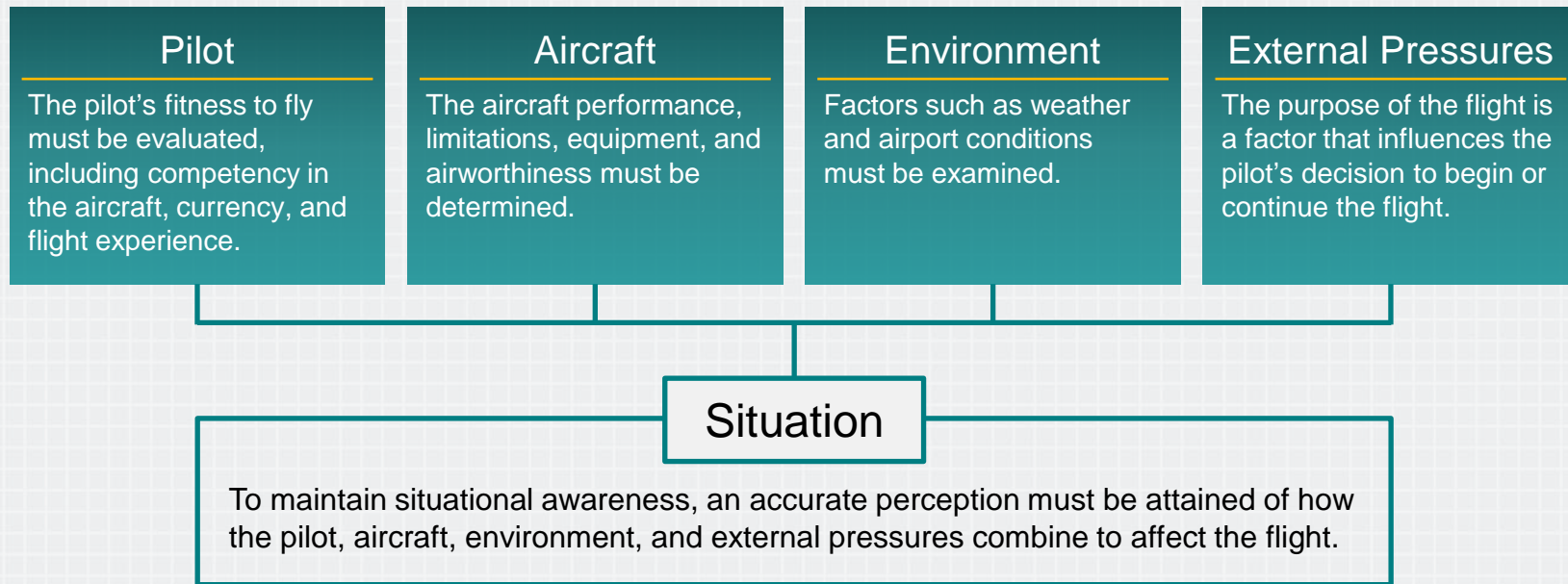
- ◆ Unique and highly customized operating environments
- ◆ Self-governance over change and configuration management
- ◆ Greater need to be prepared for emergencies
- ◆ Decide our own monitoring capabilities
- ◆ We set our own operating parameters
- ◆ Self-regulation (within limits)

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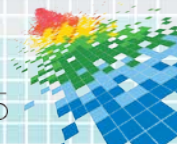


# Decision Criteria

## Risk Elements



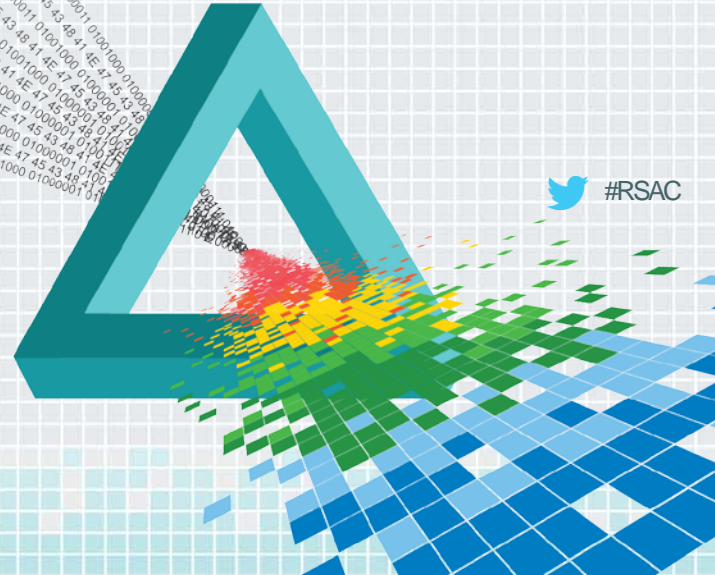
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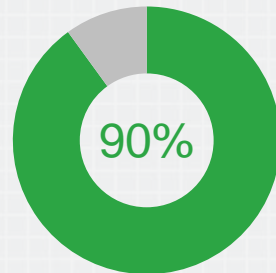
## The Evolving Role of Incident Response (External Pressures)



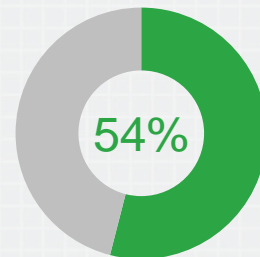
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# Incident Response: Operational or Strategic Issue?

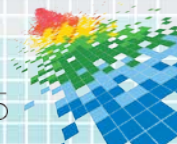
- ◆ Changes in priorities post-breach
- ◆ Factors influencing incidents
- ◆ Differences in C-level perceptions
- ◆ Business impact of breaches
- ◆ Regulatory considerations
- ◆ Potential for ROI
- ◆ Difficulty in modeling scenarios, particularly for non-IT breaches



90% of companies are confident about their security policies, processes, and procedures



However, 54% have had to manage public scrutiny following a security breach



# Criticality of Alignment to Business Goals

- ◆ Understand risk tolerance and acceptable outcomes
- ◆ Understand data lifecycle and provide business context
- ◆ Stakeholder selection for effective decision making
- ◆ Follow asset ownership and purchase trends
- ◆ Integrate processes with partners
  - ◆ Expectation management
  - ◆ Communication
  - ◆ Internal and external, customer and supplier

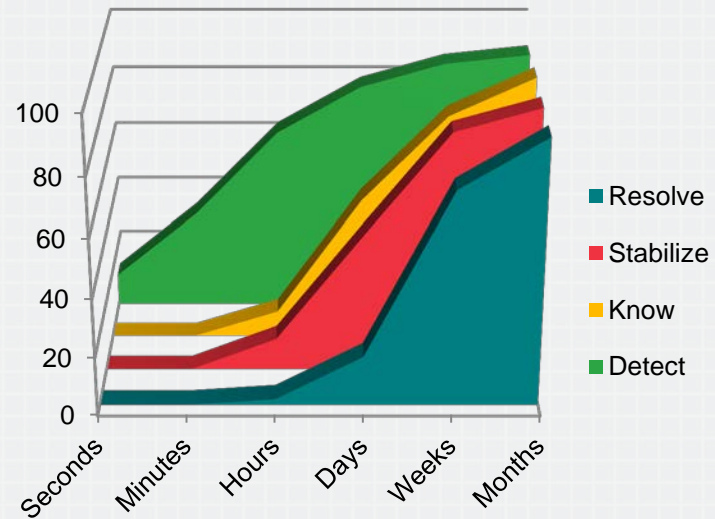




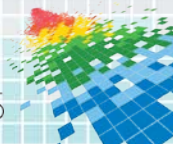
# Changing Perceptions from “If” to “When”

- ◆ Statistics are against us
- ◆ Prevention is a focus of budget
- ◆ Overcoming the “denial effect”
- ◆ Increasing times to contain incidents
- ◆ Need for “Risk aware” decisions
- ◆ Understanding and addressing sources of compromises

Mean Times for Incident Management Phases



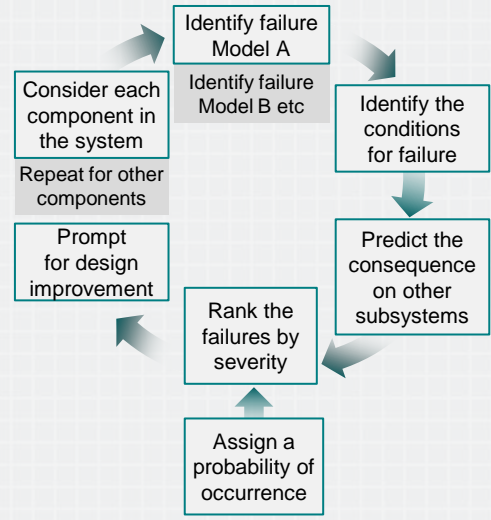
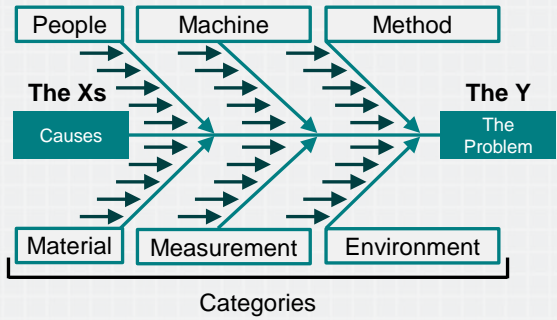
Source: Ponemon Cyber Security Incident Response Study



# Examples: Modeling Potential Failures and Causes

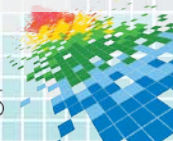
Failure Mode	Sev	Causes	Prevent	Detect	Manage
Power failure on takeoff-1000'	Possibly fatal	Fuel supply Ignition Air/Mixture	Fuel flow test Inspection Ground test	Fuel pressure Static runup EGT sensors	Get training on emergency procedures Identify turn-back decision height Land-ahead conditions Long runway

Cause and Effect Diagram



Haddon Matrix

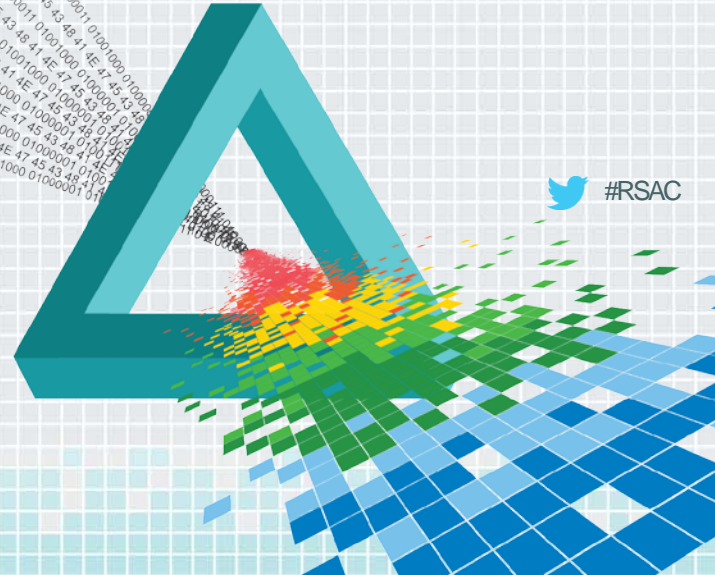
	Host	Equipment	Environment	
			Physical	Social
Pre-Event				
Event				
Post-Event				



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## Threat Ecosystem (The Environment)



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# Changing Boundaries and Models



Devices, applications and  
Internet of Everything

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Greater quantities of personally  
identifiable information

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External  
service providers

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Certification requirements  
are seldom mandatory

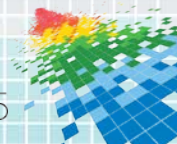
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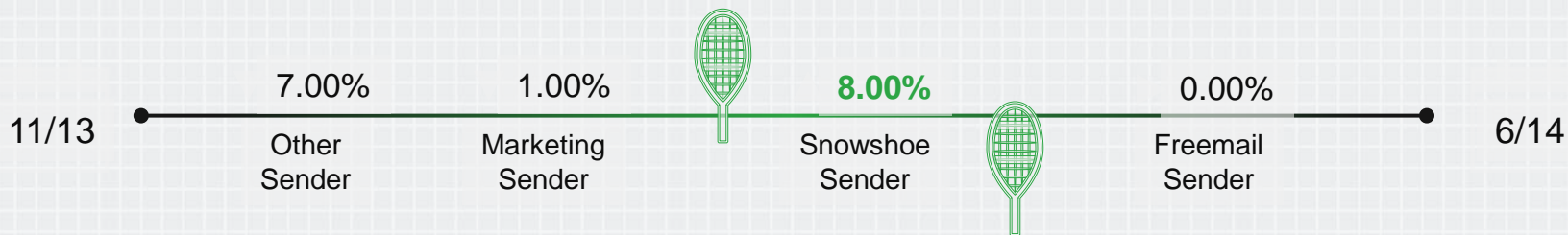
Rapid evolution and  
dynamic provisioning



Redefining  
trust boundaries



# Threat Landscape



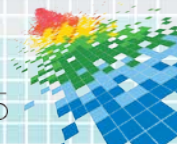
Information and business focus

Complexity and agility in methods and vectors

Stealth methods to evade detection tools

Credibility to compromise biological attack vectors

End device compromise



# Managing Third Party Risk



Partner or attack vector?

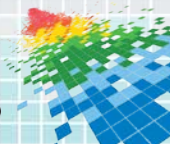
Difference in process maturity

Increase average cost of a breach

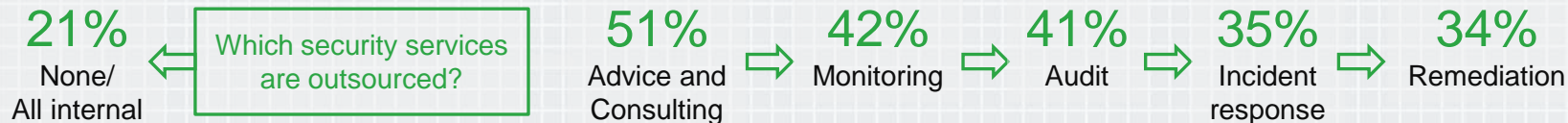
Level of process integration

May not share priorities

Difficulties in auditing



# Security Service Providers

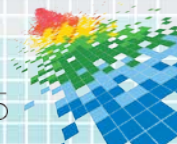


Level of process integration

Linkage to business decision making

Understanding of information lifecycle

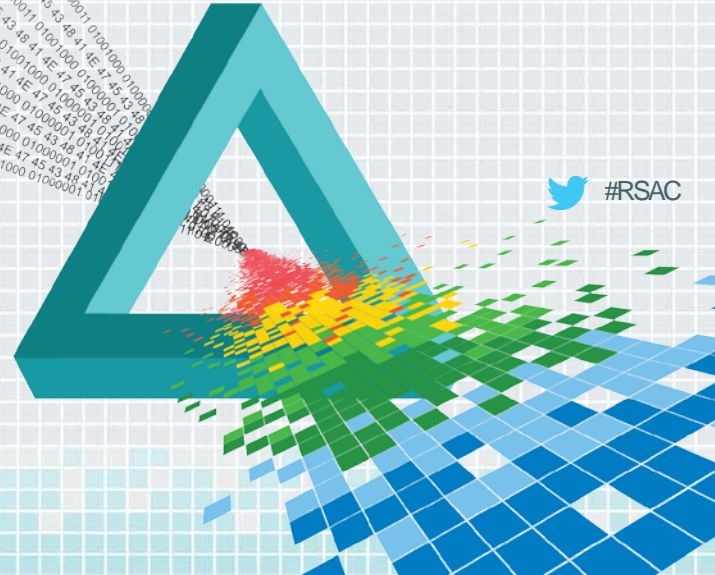
Different obligations and level of responsibility



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## Response Infrastructure (The Aircraft)



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# Effectiveness of Layered Controls

- ◆ Emphasis on prevention (don't want to die!)
- ◆ **39%** perform testing to understand the potential attack surface
- ◆ Less than **50%** effectively implement the following processes:

Identity administration  
or user provisioning

Patching and  
configuration

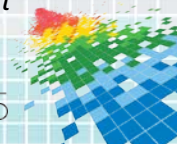
Penetration  
testing

Endpoint  
forensics

Vulnerability  
scanning

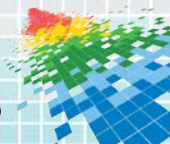
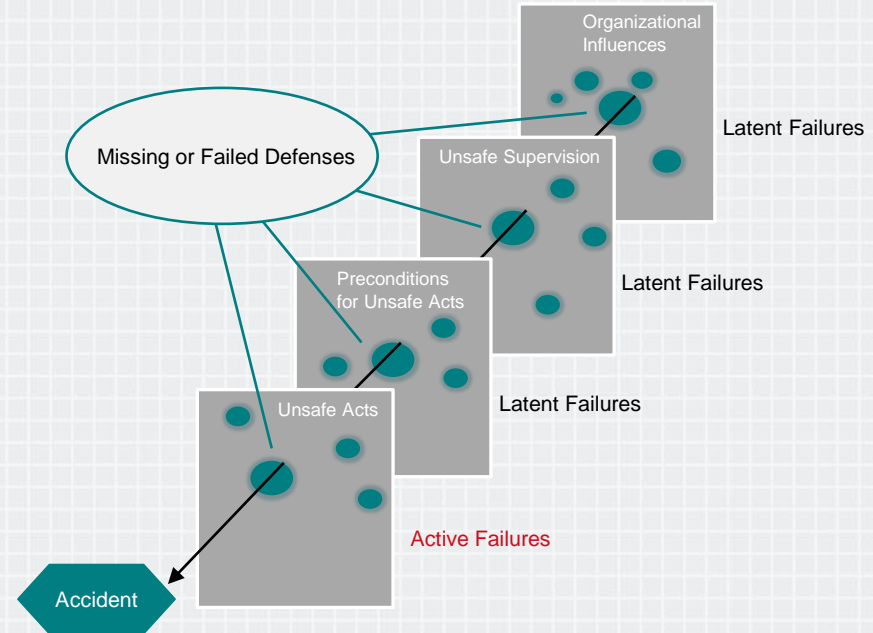
Dangerous (but common) assumption:  
Global enterprises and service providers do the basics very well

*2015 Cisco Annual Security Report*



# Breaking the Chain of Risk

- ◆ Single cause events are relatively rare
- ◆ Incidents require the alignment of contributing factors
- ◆ Mandates for layered defenses
- ◆ Inability to determine root cause
- ◆ Failures can be counted upon
- ◆ Remove single points of failure



# Leverage Existing Resources to Plan



## Integrate with Layered Defenses

- ◆ Consider progressive containment modes
- ◆ Tune monitoring thresholds dynamically
- ◆ Integrate response plan with 'compromise decisions'

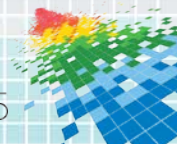


## Use Decision Support Tools Effectively

- ◆ Understand how to detect and investigate anomalies
- ◆ Use business information to understand the context
- ◆ Process integration with security service providers



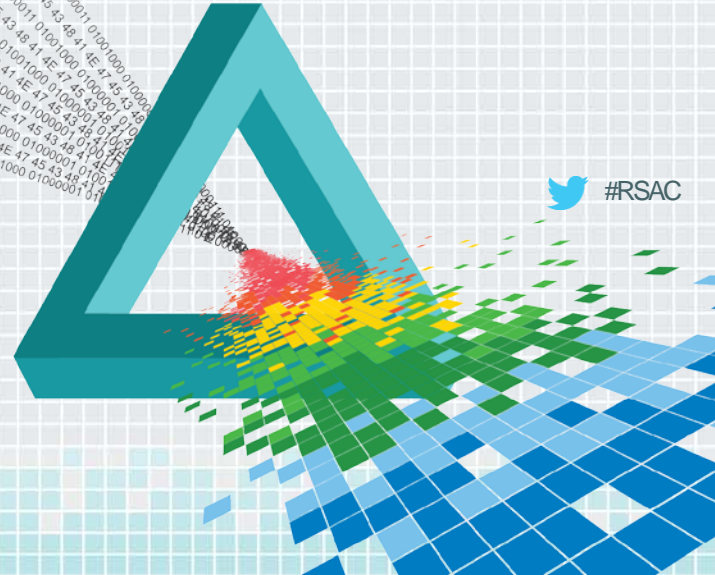
KEEP  
CALM  
AND  
FOCUS ON  
REINVENTING THE WHEEL



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## Readiness (The Pilot)



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# Preparedness – Building “Muscle Memory”

- ◆ Training cycle – watch, follow, lead, demonstrate
- ◆ Evaluate every mission
- ◆ Familiarization with equipment and operating limits
- ◆ Recognizing potential issues
- ◆ Regular emergency drills
- ◆ Critical checks
- ◆ Decision making and support resources



# Keeping It Simple: Understand the Value and Limits of Checklists

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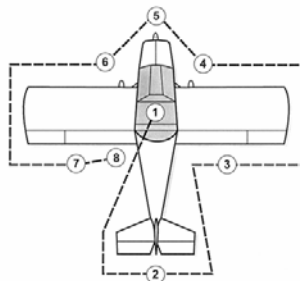
- ◆ Standardizing operations
- ◆ Providing information
- ◆ Communicating thresholds

## Limitations

- ◆ Adaptability
- ◆ Flexibility

### Pre-Flight Inspection / Checklist

WALK AROUND INSPECTION



- 1. CABIN**
  - > AROW
  - > Aeronautical Charts – **CURRENT & APPROPRIATE**
  - > Seat Belt Securing Control Stick – **RELEASE**
  - > Ignition Switch – **OFF**
  - > Battery – Alternator Switch – **BAT**
  - > Fuel Gauge – **CHECK** quantity
  - > Flight Instruments – **SET**
  - > Flaps – **DOWN**

### Emergency Procedures

#### POWER LOSS ON TAKEOFF

- > Stick – **FORWARD**
- > Airspeed – **70 MPH**
- > Throttle – **CLOSE**
- > Mixture – **Pull Full Lean**
- > Fuel Valve – **OFF**
- > Master & MAG Switches – **OFF**
- > Flaps – **AS REQUIRED**
- > Land and/or Stop Straight Ahead
- > Brakes – **AS REQUIRED**

#### POWER LOSS IN FLIGHT

- > **TRIM FOR BEST GLIDE – 70 MPH**
- > Note Wind Direction & Velocity
- > **PICK A LANDING SPOT**
- > Fuel Valve – **ON**
- > MAGS – **ON**
- > Master – **ON**
- > Engine – **CHECK EIS**
- > **If Power Not Restored & Time Permits**
- > Maintain Best Glide – **70 MPH**
- > Fuel – **OFF**
- > Mixture – **Pull Full Lean**
- > Master – **OFF**
- > Flaps – **AS NEEDED**
- > Canopy – **UNLATCH**
- > Seat Belts & Shoulder Harnesses – **PULLED TIGHT**
- > Land Tall Low

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#### OIL PRESSURE LOSS

- > Locate Suitable Landing Site & Land ASAP
- > Prepare For Off Field Landing If Necessary

#### HIGH OIL TEMPERATURE

- > Reduce Power
- > Increase Airspeed
- > Observe Trend
- > **If Oil Temperature Cannot Be Stabilized**
- > Locate Suitable Landing Site & Land ASAP
- > Prepare For Off Field Landing If Necessary

#### ENGINE FIRE DURING START-UP

- > Throttle – **FULLY OPEN**
- > Starter – **CRANK**
- > Mixture – **IDLE CUT-OFF**
- > Fuel Selector – **OFF**
- > Master and MAG Switches – **OFF**

#### ENGINE FIRE IN FLIGHT

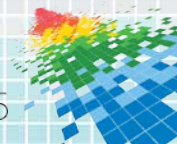
- > Throttle – **CLOSED**
- > Fuel Selector – **ON**
- > Master & MAG Switches – **OFF**
- > Locate Suitable Landing Site & Land ASAP

#### Spin Recovery

- > Throttle to idle
- > Stick & Rudder Neutral
- > Apply full opposite rudder
- > Apply forward elevator then
- > Recover from the dive

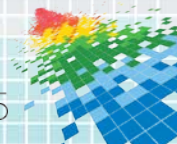
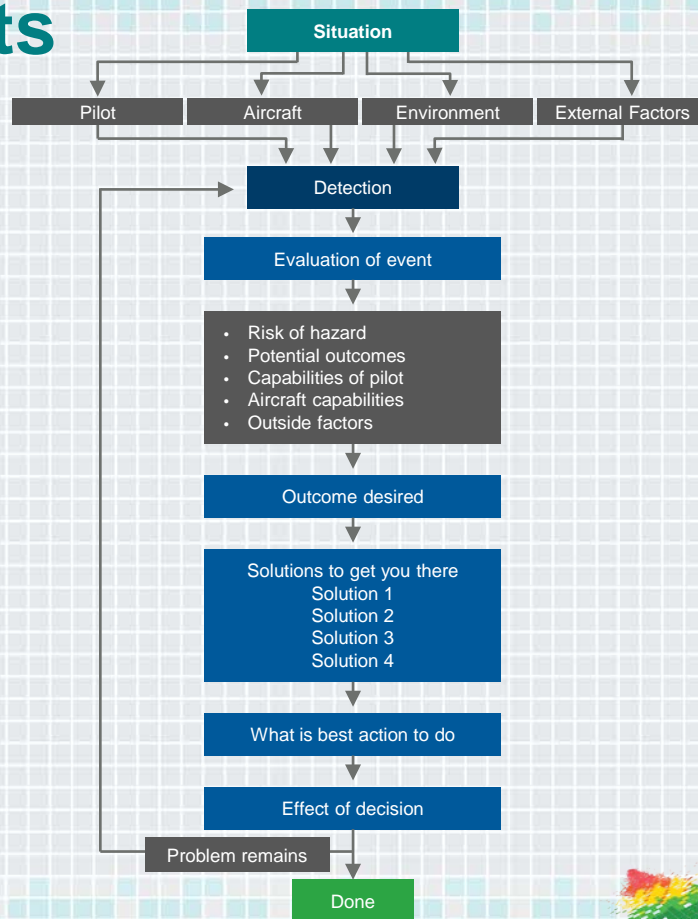
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# Incident Management for Pilots

- ◆ Detect potential problem
- ◆ Estimate urgency of situation
- ◆ Choose desired outcome
- ◆ Identify potential actions
- ◆ Do the chosen action
- ◆ Evaluate outcome of action



# Equip Staff to Make Effective Decisions

- ◆ Appropriate investment
- ◆ Participant selection
- ◆ Training
- ◆ Enablement and guidance
- ◆ Test, Practice, Drill, Improve
- ◆ Encourage hypothesis testing to understand normal and abnormal circumstances
- ◆ Know when to declare an incident

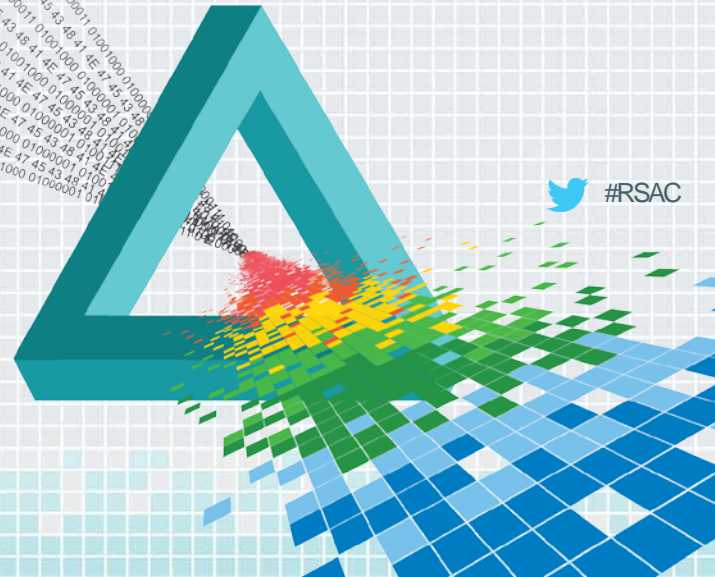




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## Application



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# Key Differentiations of Mature IR Capabilities



## Integrate Incident Readiness into Planning and Operations

- ◆ Reduce the likelihood of an event happening
- ◆ Understand business risk
- ◆ Coordinated response



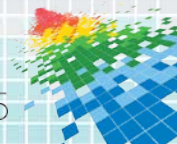
## Equip Staff to Make Effective Decisions

- ◆ Empowerment
- ◆ Training
- ◆ Drills



## Consider Integration Along the Entire Supply Chain

- ◆ Internal business and legal stakeholder
- ◆ Suppliers and consumers



# Apply Key Concepts

## Short Term

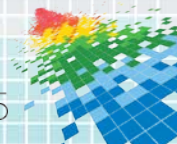
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- ◆ Equip and empower response team to make effective decisions
- ◆ Understand business risks and tolerance levels
- ◆ Identify and engage key stakeholders

## Medium Term

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- ◆ Conduct tests
- ◆ Integrate Incident Response into the strategic planning cycle
- ◆ Review supply chain risks
- ◆ Adapt process to ensure outcome based decisions
- ◆ Implement a program to conduct response testing



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