



# Driving Forward: Security by Design in Automotive Industry

# Security by Design [1/2]

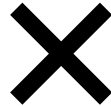
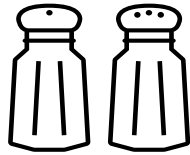
## Definition



### **Security:**

The state in which the integrity, confidentiality, and accessibility of information, service or network entity is assured [[NISTIR 4734](#)]

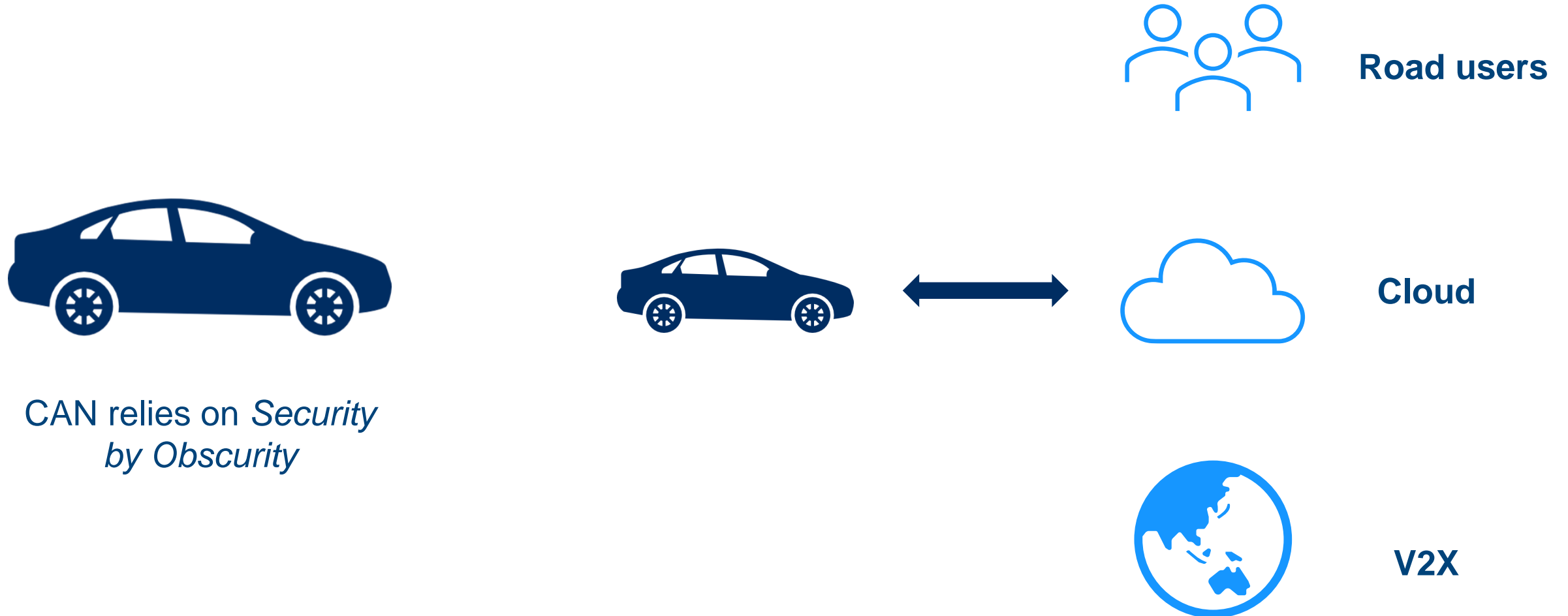
What should we grasp?



**Security by design** expects to consider cybersecurity as a requirement so that the system can securely deliver intended functionalities.

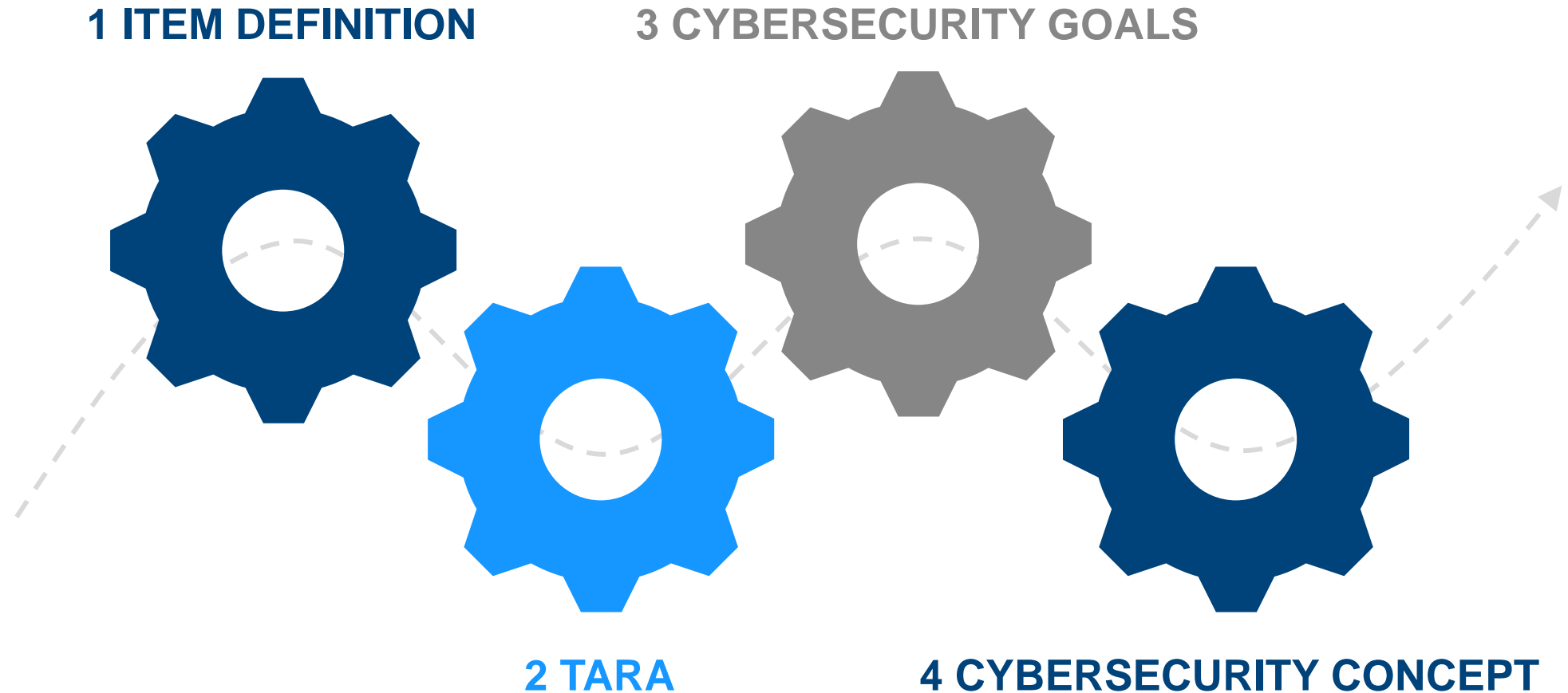
# Why Automotive needs Security by Design?

How Automotive has been evolving



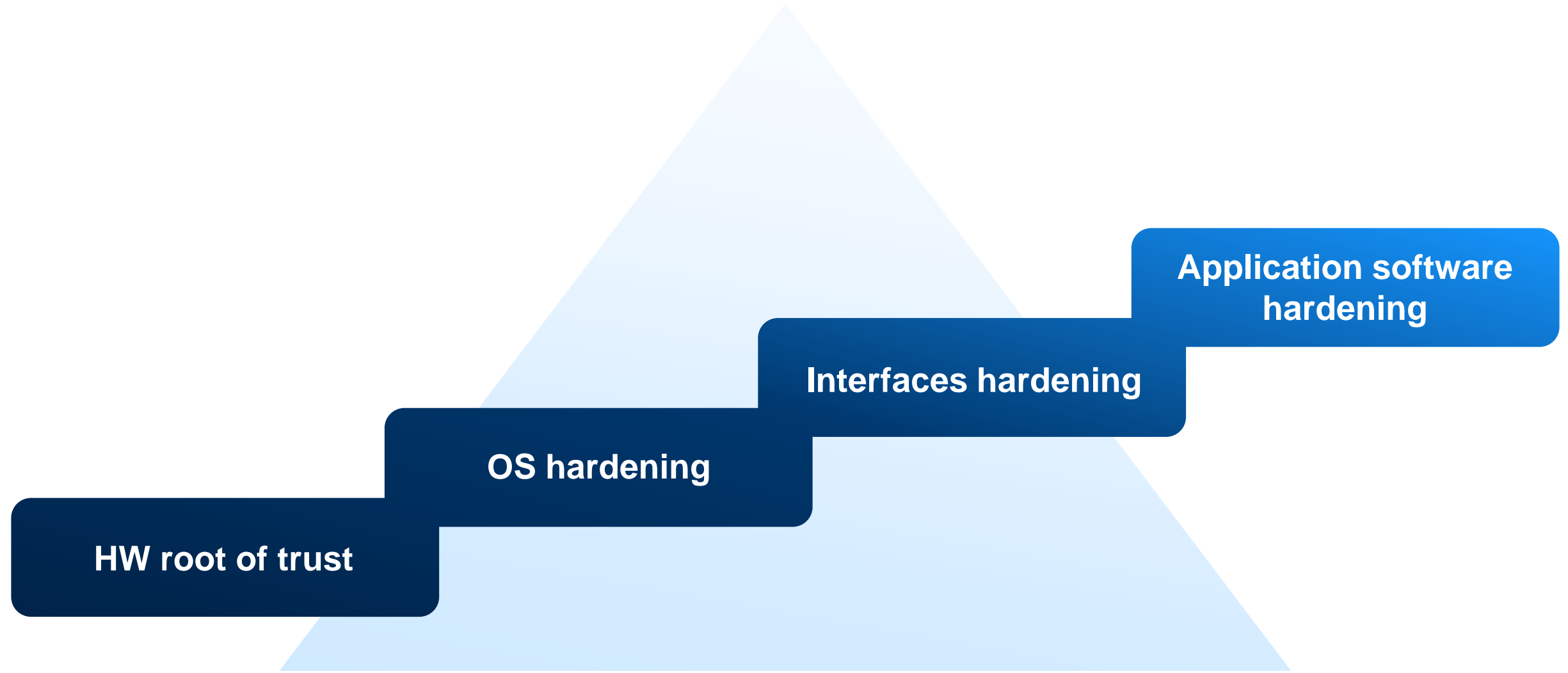
# How Automotive integrates Security By Design

ISO21434: The Concept Phase



# How Automotive implements Security By Design

Bottom-up strategy

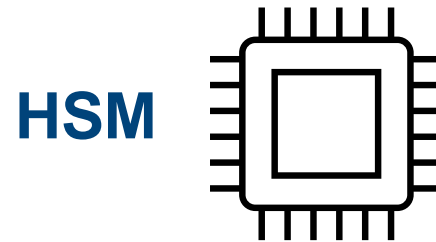


# HW root of trust

Make sure to know your guests 😊



 HASH (Public key)



# OS hardening [1/2]

Do not let party at home 😊

## Mounting

```
administrator@administrator-HVM-domU:~$ findmnt -l | grep noexec  
/sys          sysfs          sysfs          rw,nosuid,nodev,noexec,relatime
```

## Harden your kernel

MODULE\_SIG=Y

ARM, ARM64,  
X86\_32, X86\_64

3.7-3.19, 4.0-  
4.20, 5.0-5.17

Enable module signature verification

[TimeSys](#)

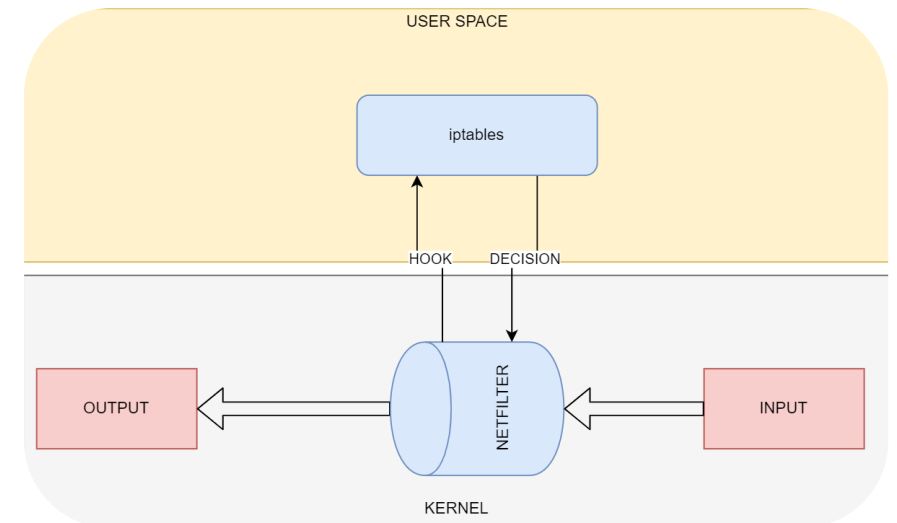
Avoid using legacy kernel versions



## Mandatory Access Control (SELINUX)

```
33918 2000/01/01 22:59:53.301679 56856.1565 242 LINF SYS JOUR 766 log fatal verbose 4
↳ 2000/01/01 22:59:52.980000 sshd[86678]: Emergency: AVC avc: denied [ transition ] for
pid=86678 comm="sshd" path="/bin/bash.bash" dev="overlay" ino=7
↳ scontext=system_u:system_r:sshd_t:s0-s0:c0.c1023
↳ tcontext=unconfined_u:unconfined_r:unconfined_t:s0-s0:c0.c10
23 tclass=process permissive=0
```

## Host-based firewall (iptables)



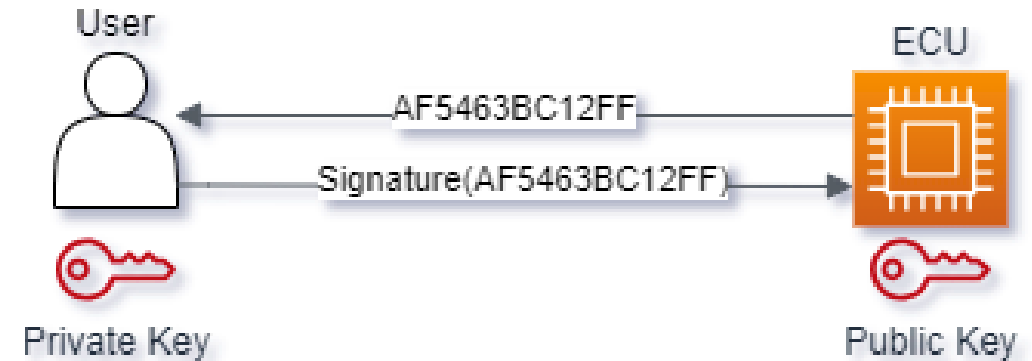
# Interface hardening

Do not leave your door open 😊

Whitelist your USB ports



Authenticate your debug ports



# Application software hardening

You know when your guests act up 😊

C/C++

```
void buggy(void) {  
    char in[32] = {'\0'};  
    gets(in);  
    printf("The input string is %s",in);  
    return;  
}
```

## Mitigations

### **-fstack-protector**

Emit extra code to check for buffer overflows, such as stack smashing attacks. This is done by adding a guard variable to functions with vulnerable objects. This includes functions that call "alloca", and functions with buffers larger than 8 bytes. The guards are initialized when a function is entered and then checked when the function exits. If a guard check fails, an error message is printed and the program exits.

### **-fstack-protector-all**

Like **-fstack-protector** except that all functions are protected.

### **-fstack-protector-strong**

Like **-fstack-protector** but includes additional functions to be protected --- those that have local array definitions, or have references to local frame addresses.

[\[gcc man page\]](#)

The `gets()` function, which was deprecated in the C99 Technical Corrigendum 3 and removed from C11, is inherently unsafe and should never be used because it provides no way to control how much data is read into a buffer from `stdin`. This noncompliant code example assumes that `gets()` will not read more than `BUFFER_SIZE - 1` characters from `stdin`. This is an invalid assumption, and the resulting operation can result in a buffer overflow.

[\[CERT C\]](#)

Minimize attack surface  
(AKA) Software BOM  
minimization

- Security by design **can** be applied to Automotive systems.
- Security by design **shall** be applied to Automotive systems.
- Resources and awareness have been rising e.g., MITRE embedded [EMB3D](#) for RISK assessment.
- Practice makes perfect.

# Question time



**See you next time 😊**





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