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C-Risk: The Value of Adopting Cyber Risk Quantification

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- What is Cyber Risk Quantification?
- CRQ Use cases and adoption
- How to quantify cyber risk in financial terms?
- How to build a CRQ capability?
- Conclusion

What is Cyber Risk Quantificaiton

It is the USE OF quantification techniques, models, and frameworks to CALCULATE an organization's exposure to risk, in monetary terms.

Key Points:

- Not about precision but accuracy.
- A tool for decision making
- A technique which is complimentary to existing risk management appoaches
- Improves objectivity
- We are still modelling uncertainly therefore we work with ranges of data
- Requires a number of tools to implement
- Is not a new scientific discipline
- We advocate the usage of open standards such as FAIR to promote innovation and transparency

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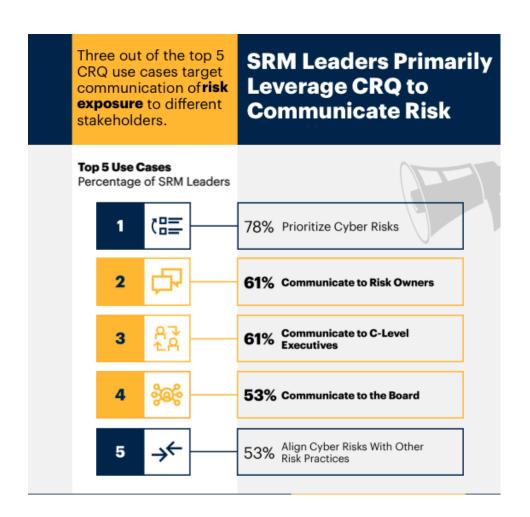
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Show an example output

An example CRQ assessment.

- Show a simple picture from Metricstream module combined with C-Risk reporting module showing:
 - Loss per event
 - ALE
 - 10 percentile, average, ML, 90% etc...

CRQ Use Cases



- Communicate to Board & Exec Management
- Size, Allocate and justify Infosec budget
- Optimize Cyber insurance coverage
- Facilitate regulatory compliance
- Understand 3rd party risk exposure
- Choose an efficient risk reduction strategy
- Merger & Acquisitions

Source: 2021 Gartner Cyber-Risk Quantification Survey

Source: 2019-22 C-Risk most frequent use cases

The Evolution of CRQ Advocacy







Add some analyst data

How to Perform a CRQ Analysis

Define Risk Scenarios

- o 'Crown Jewels' / Digital Assets
- Business context & Value Chains
- Existing risk register & audit findings
- Use C-I-A model
- Leverage Existing GRC platform data

Quantification of scenarios with a useful level of precision

- You have more data than you think
- Estimate ranges for Loss Event Frequency w/ C-Risk Knowledge base™
- Estimate ranges for Primary and Secondary Loss from predefined ranges
- Use Statistics (Monte Carlo) to calculate Annual Loss Exposure
- Use a CRQ platform which supports FAIR such as MetricStream

Interpret & Present

- Quick wins high occurrence
- Need for more quantification
- Low priority
- Mapping to Controls
- o Tie back to decision being made

Sources

- Existing Risk Register and Audit Findings
- Business Context
- Fresh Look at Threat Landscape

 Top Risk Workshop & Interviews with a max of 5-8 Stakeholders

- Focus on large scale events & most common occurrences
- Decisions to inform

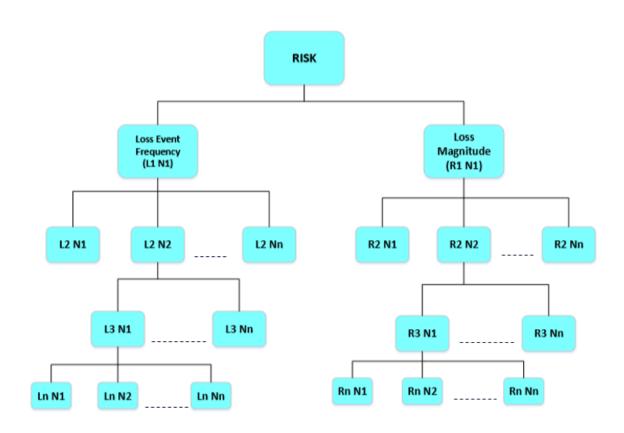
MetricStream's Framework Advantages

Flexible Framework for Quant Models & Toolkit

- Stateless serverless scalable design
- Start simple, add sophistication
- Supports adding Factors and Formulae (Beyond FAIR)
- Add / enhance models without affecting codebase of core modules

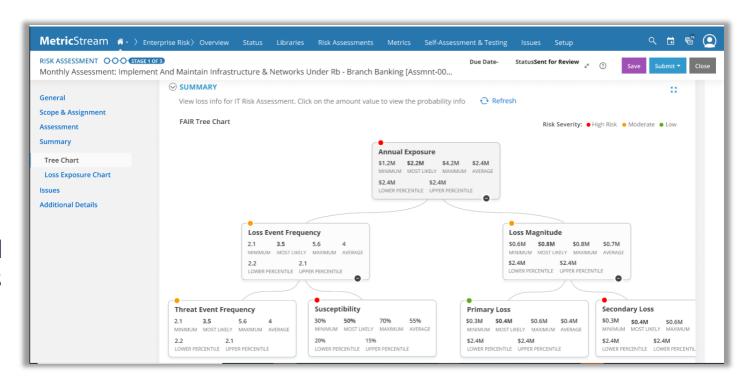
Single Vendor Solution

- Seamless reporting/browsing
- Single pane of glass leading to identical user experience
- Avoids customized modifications and reduces long-term costs
- Leverages core strengths (CMDB, Vulnerability Scanners, Threat)



MetricStream Advanced Cyber Risk Quantification and Simulation

- Quantify cyber risk in actual currency, instead of imprecise red, yellow and green heatmaps
- Provides quantification through FAIR®, a standard quantitative model for information security and informational risk, but goes beyond FAIR with added flexibility, variables and multiple models
- Prioritize risk action planning, investments and resources



Building a CRQ Capability

Key Points:

- Define Use cases starting with communication and improved objectivity
- Benefits are immediate and will also grow and improve over time
- Invest in initial training and awareness
- Adopt standard open models with publicly available support
- Consider using external services to seed and grow your internal capability
- Leverage existing risk assessment data if in place
- Be cautious about fully automated solutions which may misrepresent risk data or not align to your organisations use case.

Common Objections and how to overcome them

Benefit / What is the use case

Skills

Cost

Lack of Data

Complexity

Conclusion

- Cyber Risk Quantification in Financial terms vastly improves information security governance.
- There are many established use cases including justification of investments and communication in business terms.
- New use cases are emerging, and regulatory bodies are starting to request the adoption of CRQ in corporate governance.
- CRQ using FAIR is endorsed and recommended by a growing number of standards organizations including NIST, ISACA, CIS and others.
- CRQ analysis using FAIR can be implemented easily and quickly. It is a standalone capability which is not dependent on the overall organizational maturity.

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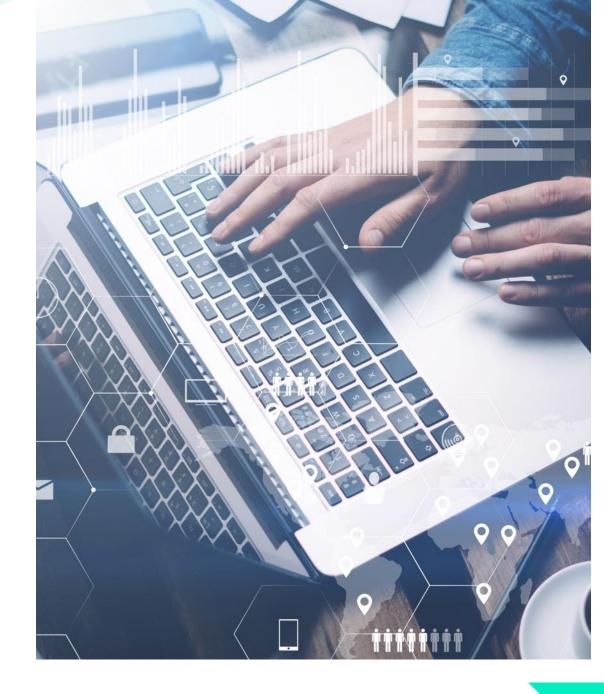




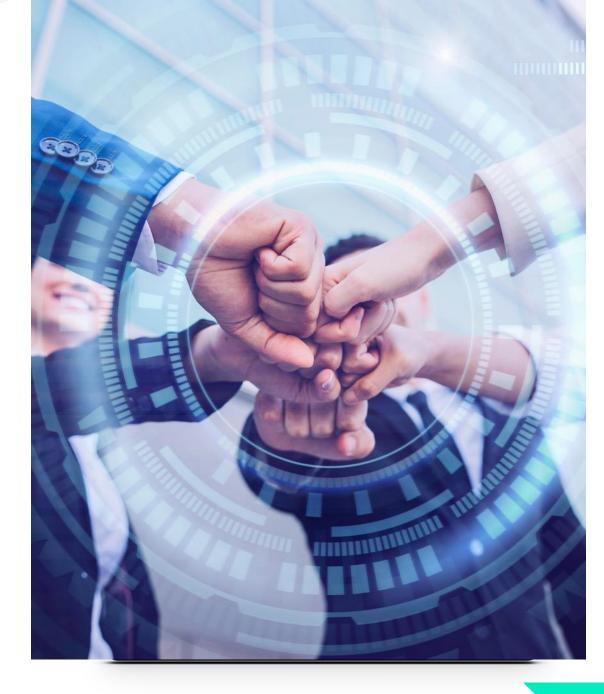


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