



Using Security Intelligence to Stay out of the Headlines

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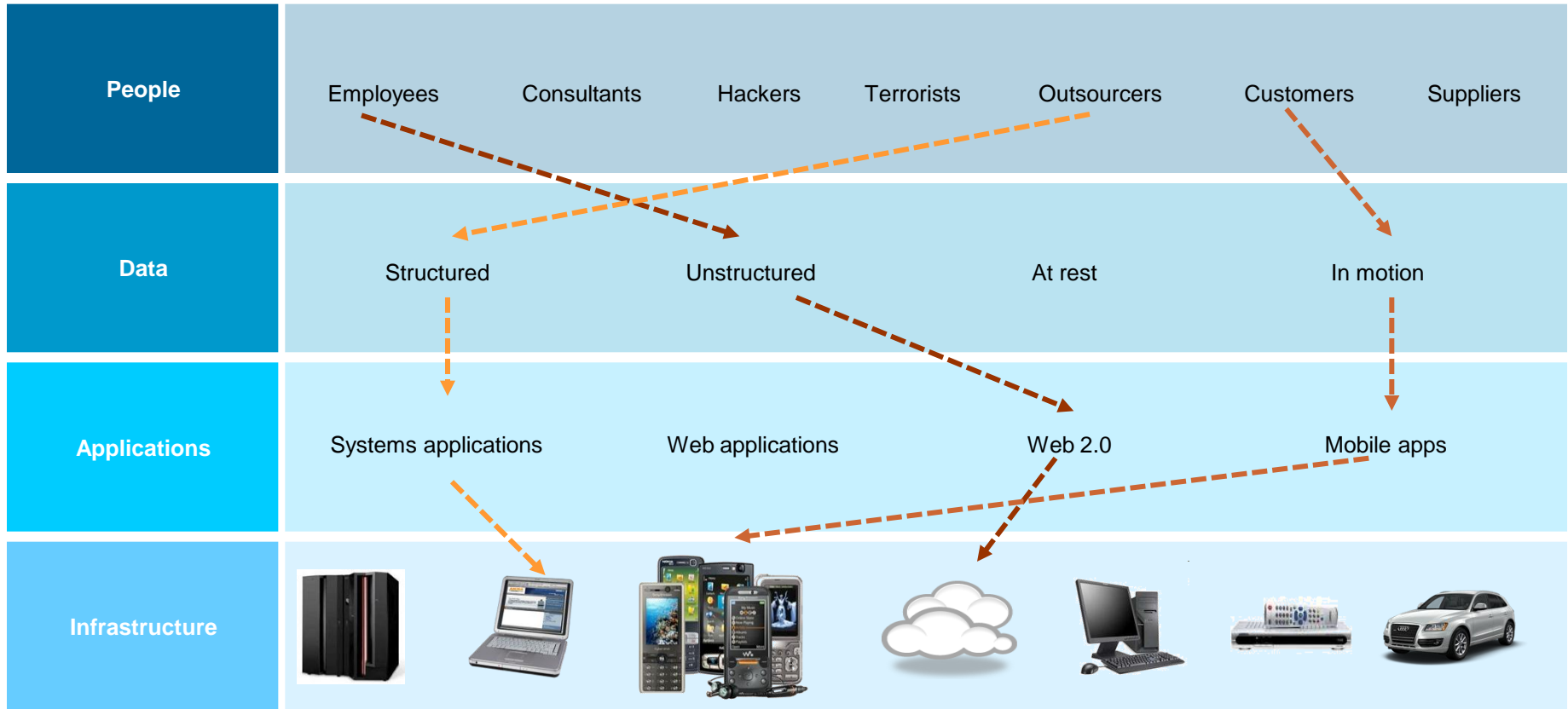
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Welcome to the SIEM Crime Scene

- Remove yourself from the RSA event & help me solve the case of Security Intelligence
- I will be presenting to you:
 - The facts
 - The criminals & targets
 - Food: recipe for success



Technology is more complicated



It is no longer enough to protect the perimeter – siloed point products will not secure the enterprise



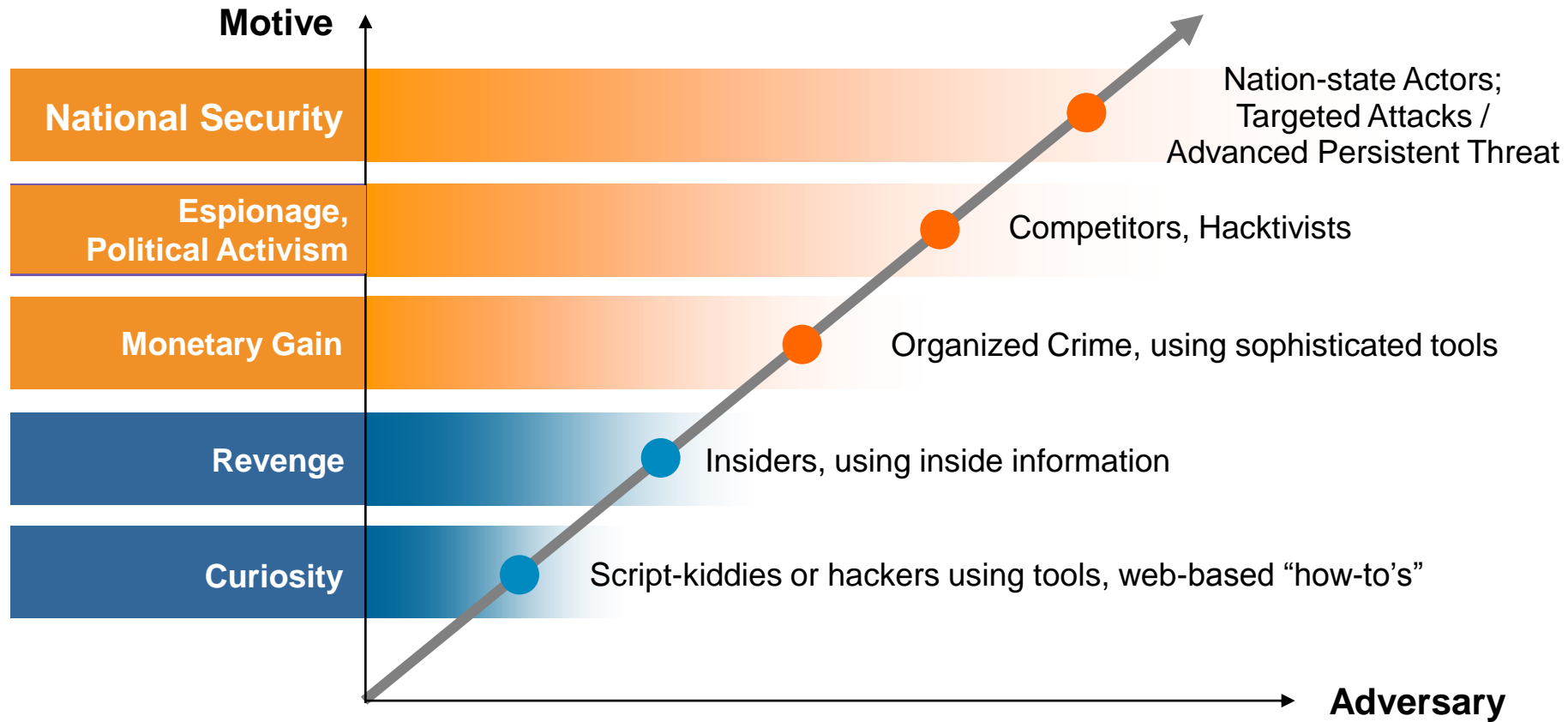
Attackers & motives are more sophisticated

1995 – 2005

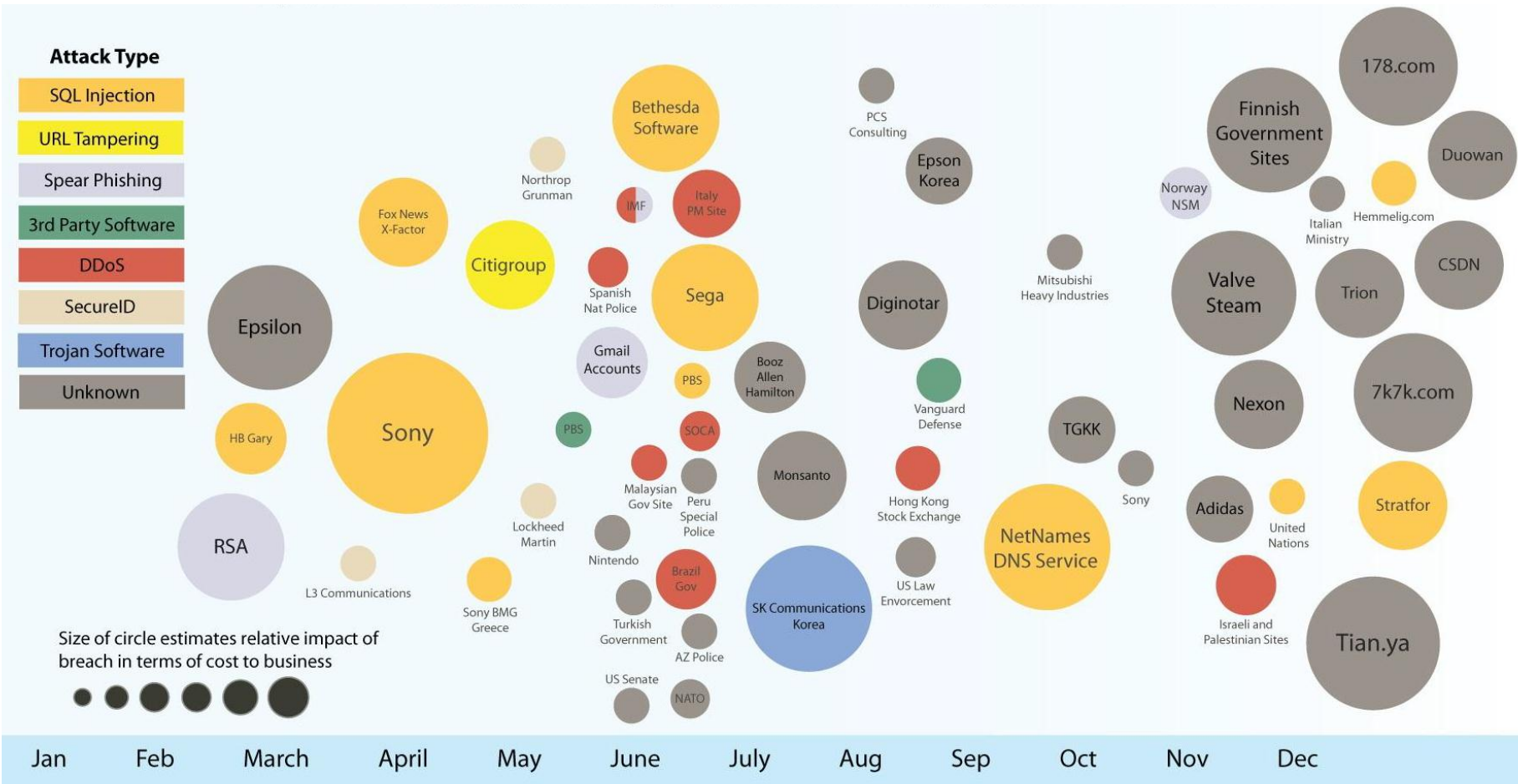
1st Decade of the Commercial Internet

2005 – 2015

2nd Decade of the Commercial Internet



Targeted attacks in the headlines



IBM Security X-Force® 2011 Trend and Risk Report



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Security threats affect the business



Business results

Sony estimates potential \$1B long term impact – \$171M / 100 customers*

Brand image

HSBC data breach discloses 24K private banking customers

Supply chain

Epsilon breach impacts 100 national brands

Legal exposure

TJX estimates \$150M class action settlement in release of credit / debit card info

Impact of hacktivism

Lulzsec 50-day hack-at-will spree impacts Nintendo, CIA, PBS, UK NHS, UK SOCA, Sony ...

Audit risk

Zurich Insurance PLC fined £2.275M (\$3.8M) for the loss and exposure of 46K customer records

*Sources for all breaches shown in speaker notes



Security Intelligence



Security Intelligence Timeline



Vulnerability

PREDICTION / PREVENTION PHASE

Exploit

REACTION / REMEDIATION PHASE

Remediation



Pre-Exploit

Post-Exploit

Prediction & Prevention

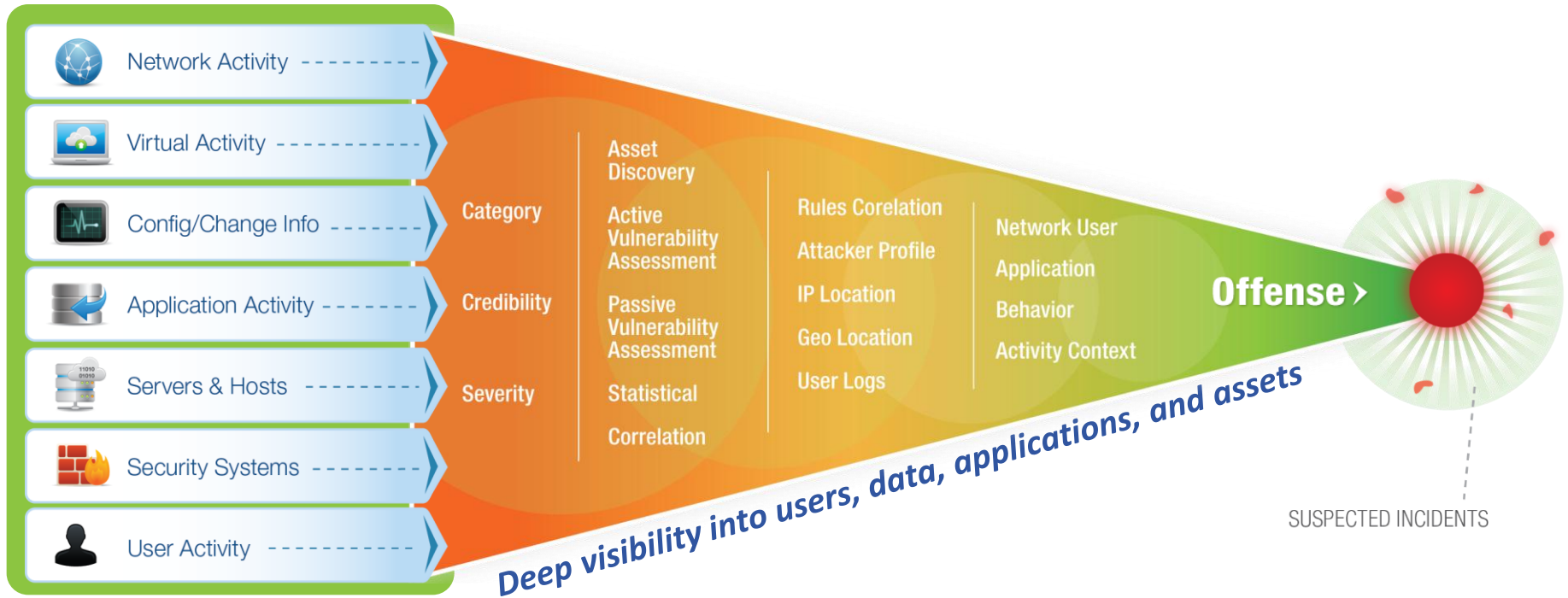
Reaction & Remediation

Risk Management. Vulnerability Management.
Configuration Monitoring. Patch Management.
Research and Threat Intelligence.
Compliance Management. Reporting and Scorecards.

SIEM. Log Management. Incident Response.
Network and Host Intrusion Prevention.
Network Anomaly Detection. Packet Forensics.
Database Activity Monitoring. Data Loss Prevention.



Collect, normalize, apply context & correlate



Security Intelligence Case Studies



Cascading security failures: Worst case

The Crime:

- ✓ Website defaced
- ✓ Intellectual property stolen
- ✓ Data deleted
- ✓ Email exposed

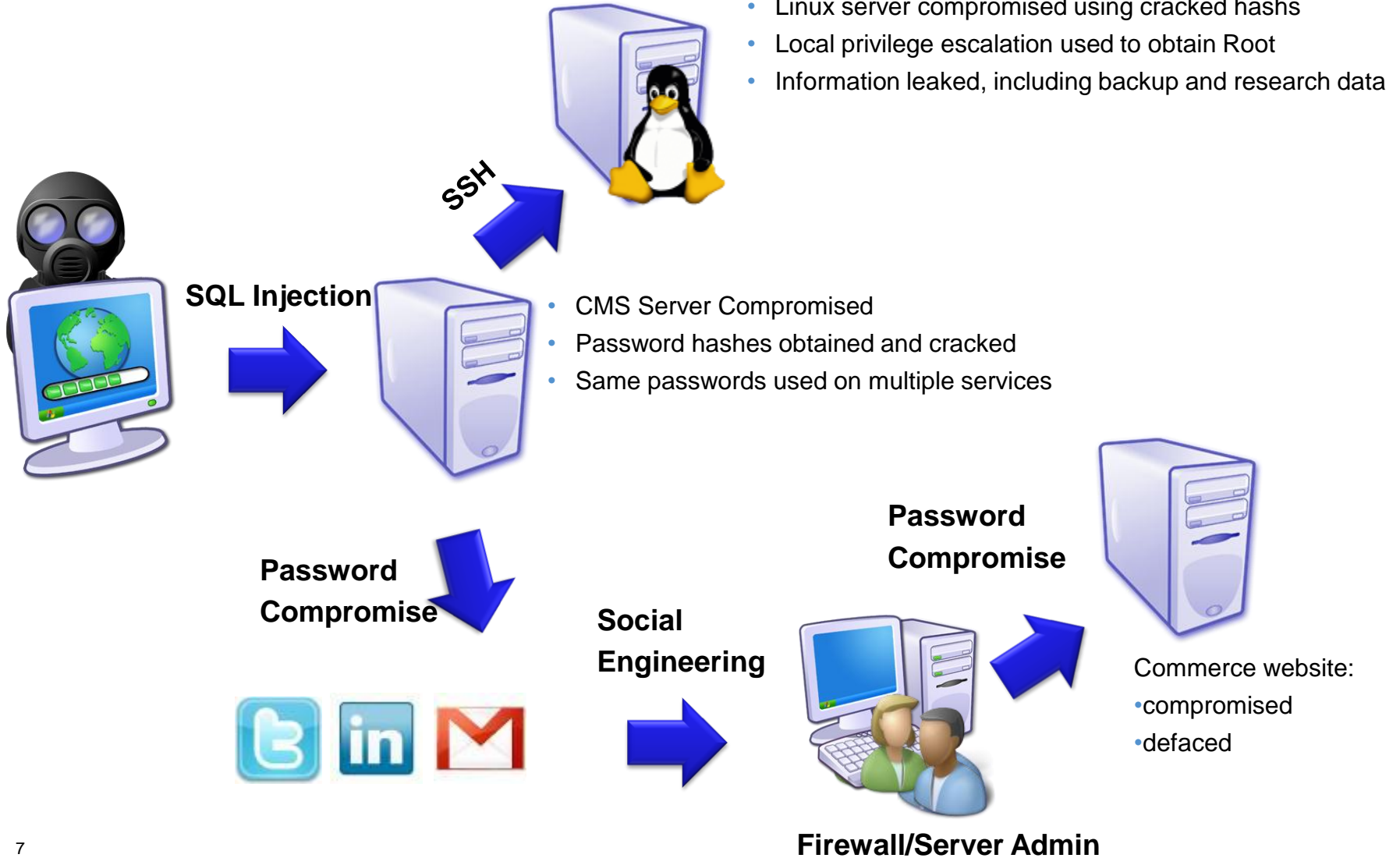
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The Damages:

Business reputation damage
IP loss—incalculable
Recovery costs



The Investigation



The Sentence

- Arrest of 4 in the US and UK
- 1 indicted but not arrested in Ireland
- CEO of the victim company stepped down
- The company subsequently sold its assets

Lesson learned: take care of the basics

- Patch & protect public-facing resources
- Password strength & policy (re-use)
- Eat your own dog food



Anatomy of an APT

The Crime:

✓ Theft of personal details of
35 million customers

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The Damages:

Cost estimates ~2B USD



The Investigation

3rd Party
Software Update Server
Compromised



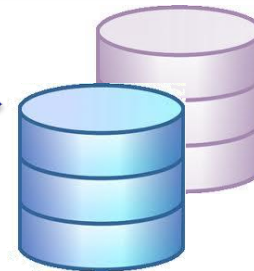
Attackers
create Trojan



Trojan “auto-updated”
to Corporate network

Port 8080 used for C&C
activities
35M records stolen

60+ Corporate
computers infected
w/ backdoor agent



-6 Months

Day 0

Day 8



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The Sentence

- No arrests have been made
- China was (once again) implicated

Lessons learned:

- Even with a strong security program...
- ...and it can work against you
- Log & monitor



A tale of two universities

The Crime:

- ✓ Two universities
- ✓ Both detect compromise of system containing student PII

CRIME SCENE DO NOT CROSS

The Damages:

Differ greatly between the two organizations...



The Investigation

University A: with Security Intelligence

- Analysis of network data to/from compromised
- Copyrighted material only, not student PII
- Host cleaned and no one outside notified

University B: No SIEM / Log Management

- No content & flow analysis;
- Can't be ascertained which (if any) data stolen
- Notify ALL students of the **potential** loss of privacy;
- Setup a call center to answer questions
- Lots of €€€ / £££ / \$\$\$, bad PR



The Sentence

- Uni A: Attacker was identified as external; no student was involved (though they had used security intelligence many time to catch insiders)
- Uni B: No one was caught

Lessons learned:

- Central logging is critical
- Network activity with DPI is critical
- Pay €/£ now or €€€€€/£££££ later



A/V without signatures

The Crime:

✓ Virus infection

CRIME SCENE DO NOT CROSS

The Damages:

Minimal:
detected before it spread



The Investigation

Energy/Utility Company

- Detected “Here You Have” virus
- Two A/V products: no signature yet
- Network behaviour analytics auto-alert

Infrastructure Solutions Provider

- Remote employees laptop attacking network across VPN
- User behaviour analytics alert: unusual network traffic
- Automatic alert to security team



The Sentence

- Identified user quickly, quarantined computer
- Determined employee's child used his computer for games

Lessons learned:

- Behavioural analytics provide early warning
- Both network activity and event monitoring
- A/V by itself is not enough



Financial Fraud

The Crime:

- ✓ Consumer credit fraud
- ✓ Financial fraud

CRIME SCENE DO NOT CROSS

The Damages:

Minimal:

Perpetrators detected before
the crime is committed



The Investigation

Consumer Credit Agency

- Collect events from web site and specialized apps
- Baseline behaviour and alert on anomalies
- e.g., car dealership norm = 40 credit queries/day; suddenly starts hitting 70 or more

Financial Trading Company

- Collect events from trading app
- Baseline average # transactions and €/£/\$s per
- Alert on deviations



The Sentence

- None: potential fraudsters are stopped before they commit their crime

Lessons learned:

- Stay ahead of the criminals
- Security Intelligence automates baselining normal activity & detecting anomalies
- Bespoke / all applications must be supported
- Behaviour anomaly detection is for both applications and network activity



Court-Admissible Forensics

The Crime:

- ✓ Creating backdoor account
- ✓ Breaking into former employer's network
- ✓ Data vandalism

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The Damages:

Data destruction
Data recovery costs
Investigation costs
Litigation costs
= \$200,000



The Investigation

- Employee was let go (sacked)
- Social engineered creation of rogue account
- Deleted all the files on an email server;
tried to delete all files on a SAN
- Used Security Intelligence to investigate the incident
 - Correlated events to identify the perpetrator, and
 - Detail his activities
- Information used by the Crown Prosecutor (DA) in court



The Sentence

- Defendant pled guilty on the eve of his trial
- Evidence presumed a major factor in the plea
- Sentencing pending: likely 2 – 6 years

Lessons learned:

- Security Intelligence provides complete forensics
- Precedent for use in legal proceedings





Operationalizing Security Intelligence

Security Intelligence: Recipe for Success

1. Take stock of your assets
2. Grocery shop
3. Mise en place
4. Sauté and stir
5. Simmer
6. Salt to taste



1. Take stock of your assets

- Enumerate and classify assets & data
- Determine
 - System and application owners
 - Business purpose
 - Authorized roles & users
 - Configuration baselines
 - Change control process
- Review
 - Security policy, standards, & procedures



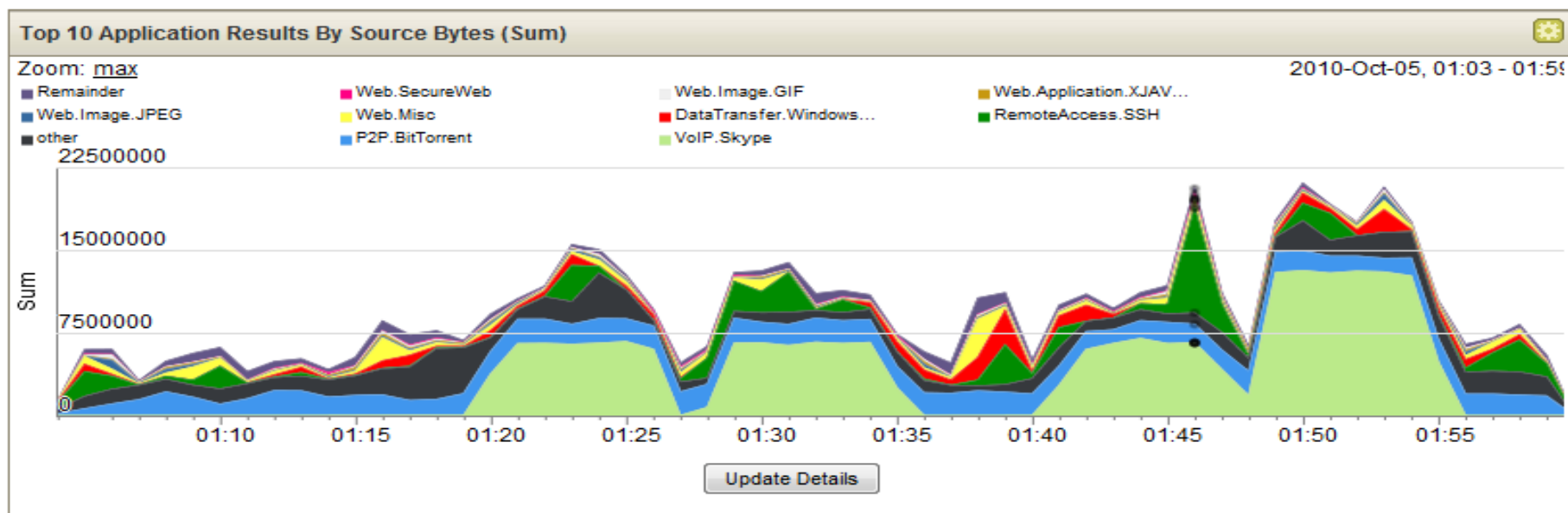
What are your assets?

- Security Infrastructure:
 - Firewalls, VPN Gateways, switches/routers
 - IPSes, DLP
 - Endpoint security, A/V, DAM, FIM
- Server & Application Logs: Stock and bespoke
- Users: Identity & Access
- Vulnerability & Configuration
- Network activity
- Physical & Virtual infrastructure
- External feeds:
 - Blacklisted sites/IPs, geolocation, IP/application reputation



How to take stock of your assets

- Risk assessment
- Profile environment & assets automatically
 - Passive network monitoring
 - Vulnerability scanning
- Map environment manually



2. Shop: Acquire Technology

- Assess existing collection technology
 - Log management, SIEM, IPS, IAM, etc.
 - Current vs desired state
 - Gap, prioritized by need
- Research vendors or open source
- RFI, RFQ, bake-off, PoC
- TCO, including staffing & maintenance fees
 - Deployment: in-house, consultant, vendor
 - Management—rules, database maintenance, etc
 - Security operations



3. Mise en Place: Plan & Prepare

- Marshal resources, coordinate activities
 - Buy-in from management, system & app owners
 - Schedule of collection activities
 - Corpus of reports and rules
 - Define roles & users
 - Cross-organizational communication & escalation
- Integration with Security Operations
 - People: staffing
 - Process: investigation, coordination, feedback loop
 - Technology: integration w/ticketing system, etc.



4. Sauté & stir: Collection & basic tuning

- Install & configure collectors
 - Network monitoring
 - Event collection
- Configure collection
 - Standard log sources, push & pull
 - Bespoke log sources
- Enable stock/vendor rules – generalized threats
- Basic tuning
 - Tweak rule settings
 - White noise & false positive reduction



5. Simmer: The acclimation period

- Regularly work with Security Intelligence
 - Continuous tuning
 - Review top applications/protocols, top talkers, etc
 - Visualize activity patterns
 - Identify and add new telemetry
 - Investigate suspicious activity and anomalies
- Become proficient with the tools
- Become one with your environment



6. Salt to taste: Custom use cases

- Now that you've achieved SI maturity...
- Start thinking about ways SI can support business requirements
- What is the business requirement?
- How can Security Intelligence satisfy the req?
- What are the sources of telemetry needed?
- Process for investigation / escalation?
- Remember 80/20 rule



Apply slide

- Take stock of your assets
- List out security use cases
- Configure appropriate logging, if only locally
- Assess existing log management and SIEM capability & planned/future requirements
- Avoid analysis paralysis:
doesn't have to be perfect from the start

