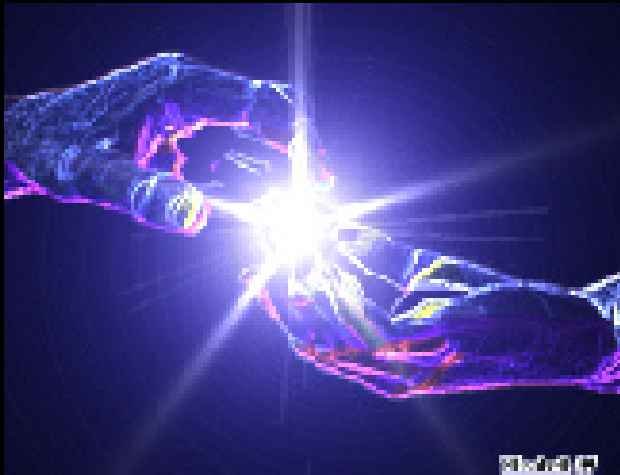


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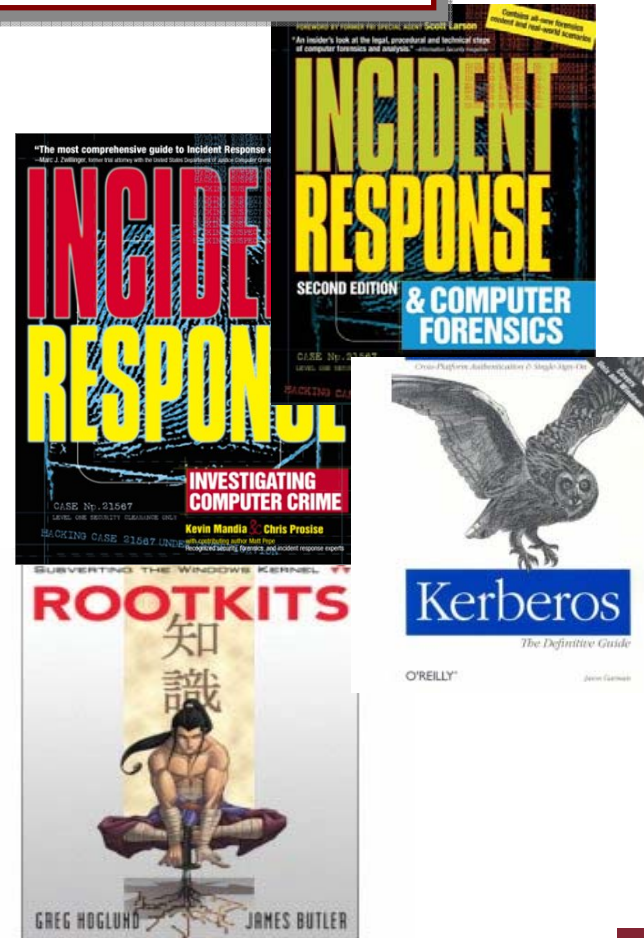
# Who Am I?

- Adjunct Professor
  - Carnegie Mellon University
    - 95-856 Incident Response
    - Master of Information System Management
  - The George Washington University
    - Computer Forensics III
    - Masters in Forensic Science
- Author for McGraw-Hill
- HoneyNet Project



# Who Am I?

- Last 5 Years
  - Responded to over 300 Potentially Compromised Systems.
  - Responded to Intrusions at Over 40 Organizations.
  - Created IR Programs at Several Fortune 500 Firms.



# Evolution of IT Attacks

-- 1998

- Technical Problem
- Unix Systems
- Servers
- Attacks were a Nuisance

1998 -- 2002

- Technical/Business Problem
- Windows Systems
- Servers
- Attacks Were About Money

2002 -- Now

- Technical/Business/Legal Problem
- Windows Systems
- Client Systems / End Users
- Attacks Are About Money

# Agenda

- Incident Detection
- Case Studies
- Challenges When Responding to Security Incidents





# Incident Detection

How Organizations are  
Detecting Incidents?

# 1. How are Organization's Detecting Incidents?

## ▪ Antivirus Alerts?

- Perhaps, but do not Count on It...
- Alerts are Often Ignored – and Perhaps Value-less Without an In-Depth Review of the System.
- Quarantined Files Often Remain a Mystery



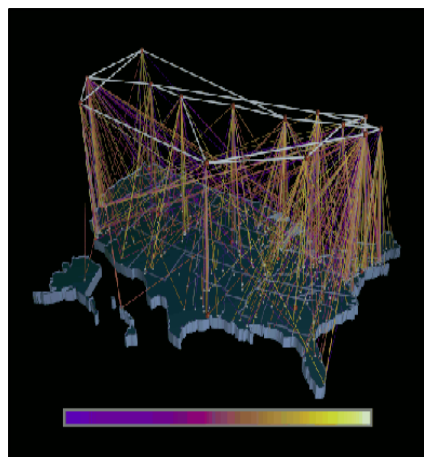
Anti-Virus Merely Alerts an Organization that Something Bad Might have Occurred. No Confirmation. Potential Loss of Critical Data

| File Name      | Size    | MD5SUM                           | Packer                 | Initial Comments   |
|----------------|---------|----------------------------------|------------------------|--|
| AgentSlave.exe | 14,848  | 9c1b827d4960779b55e2fd330a3b4212 | UPX 1.24<br>(Unpacked) | Redirect Utility. Source code located and comparative analysis performed.  |
| C.EXE          | 103,424 | 093d637578d7a531a7aca468e823f898 | UPX 1.2<br>(Armored)   | Command Shell Interpreter (cmd.exe)...   |
| ESmb.exe       | 11,776  | e4e317524176c18441d0f38109f6ac9c | UPX 1.24<br>(Unpacked) | eSMB v1.0, by Eric (A&D Team)  |
| Net.exe        | 21,504  | a8da00e86561eb9666e668f101c2864a | UPX 1.20<br>(Armored)  | Windows net command  |
| Net1.exe       | 58,368  | 13244f36d89c8e442aaadaaa0fa9a6bc | UPX 1.20<br>(Armored)  | Strace shows net1.exe called when net.exe executed   |
| Netdom.exe     | 31,744  | cdf2682374a2c4723693482ccbff0ef4 | UPX 1.20<br>(Armored)  | Windows Support Tool. Allows you to work with Windows domains and trusts, allowing you to add and remove computer accounts from a domain, reset computer account passwords, move servers among domains, and establish one- and two-way trusts between Windows domains.   |
| MT.exe         | 99,328  | b55b1bda620306a83af346694b6ea35b | ASProtect 1.23 RC1     | Same functionality as previous mt.exe  |
| PWDUMP4.EXE    | 16,384  | 605E2D28BC58E0146C0AE3DFC6D04F26 | UPX 1.22<br>(Unpacked) | Password Hash dump utility   |
| PWDump4.dll    | 4,608   | 90482aa6838d54401c8f21139a6c7e2d | UPX 1.22<br>(Unpacked) | Dynamic Link Library used by pwdump  |
| Ps.exe         | 35,840  | adb3927dc329889a31279cb3ec76f7a5 | UPX 1.20<br>(Armored)  | Sysinternals PSEXEC  |
| Sl.exe         | 20,480  | 5D7F8A1F9D4BB168ED24CADDBE7D031A | UPX 1.22<br>(Armored)  | Foundstone ScanLine.exe. Command line port scanner.  |
| Winfo.exe      | 53,248  | 5f043c1b282d2fc27dc044465cdc6c3c | NOT PACKED             | <a href="http://www.ntsecurity.nu/toolbox/winfo/">http://www.ntsecurity.nu/toolbox/winfo/</a><br>Winfo uses null sessions to remotely try to retrieve lists of and information about user accounts, workstation/interdomain/server trust accounts, shares (also hidden), sessions, logged in users, and password/lockout policy, from Windows NT/2000/XP. It also identifies the built-in Administrator and Guest accounts, even if their names have been changed. |

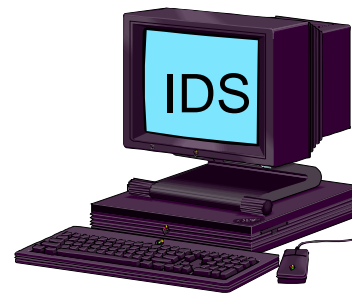
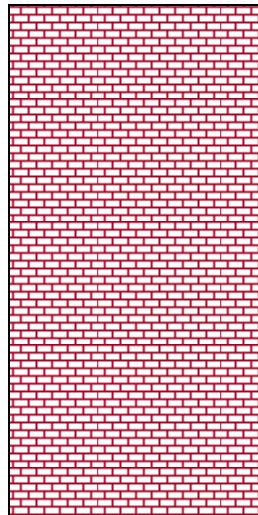


## 2. How are Organization's Detecting Incidents?

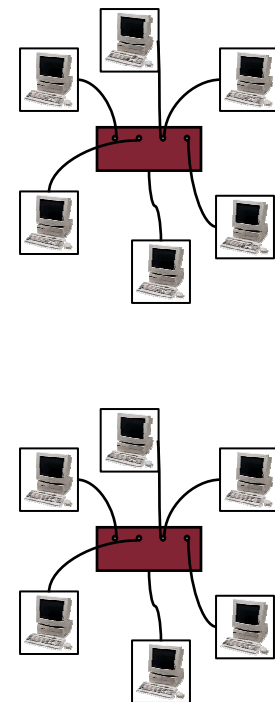
- IDS Alerts?
  - Rare Detection Mechanism.



Port 22  
Port 443  
VPN



Port 22  
Port 443  
VPN



### 3. How are Organization's Detecting Incidents?

- Clients (Outside Company)



- Malicious Software Discovered on Compromised End-User Systems.
- Account Manipulation (Online Trading).

## 4. How are Organization's Detecting Incidents?

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- End Users (Internal)
  - System Crashes (Blue Screens of Death)
  - Continual Termination of Antivirus Software.
  - Installing New Applications Simply Does Not Work.
  - Commonly Used Applications Do Not Run.
  - You Cannot "Save As".
  - Task Manager Closes Immediately When You Execute It.

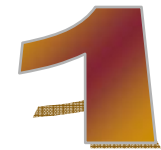
## 5. How Are Organization's Detecting Incidents?

- Proactive Audits or Security Scans



## 6. How Are Organization's Detecting Incidents?

- Something Obvious ...



# Rogue ASP Pages

|                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| 服务器名                     | target=_blank>   |
| IP:端口 时间                 | :  |
| CPU数量 OS                 | 个 个  |
| 局域网址:                    |  |
| 运算速度                     | 毫秒(256M 2.4G为156.3毫秒)  |
| 客户端IP→端口 [无代理]           | → []   |
| 本文件                      | >  |
| 绝对路径:                    | <%=Server.MapPath("size=84">   |
| 文件1 <input type="text"/> | <input type="button" value="Browse..."/> <input type="button" value="空=&gt;&lt;=格"/> <input type="button" value="设定"/> <input type="button" value="上传"/> 1 <input type="button" value="文件"/> <input type="button" value="上传"/> <input type="button" value="重置"/> |

">

|     |                      |         |                      |
|-----|----------------------|---------|----------------------|
| 复制: | <input type="text"/> | 目的路径:   | <input type="text"/> |
| 移动: | <input type="text"/> | 目的路径:   | <input type="text"/> |
| 程序: | <input type="text"/> | 别加参数:   | <input type="text"/> |
| 浏览: | <input type="text"/> | DOS 命令: | %COMSPEC% /c         |
| 下载: | <input type="text"/> | 论坛登陆:   | 冰点极限&海洋顶端            |

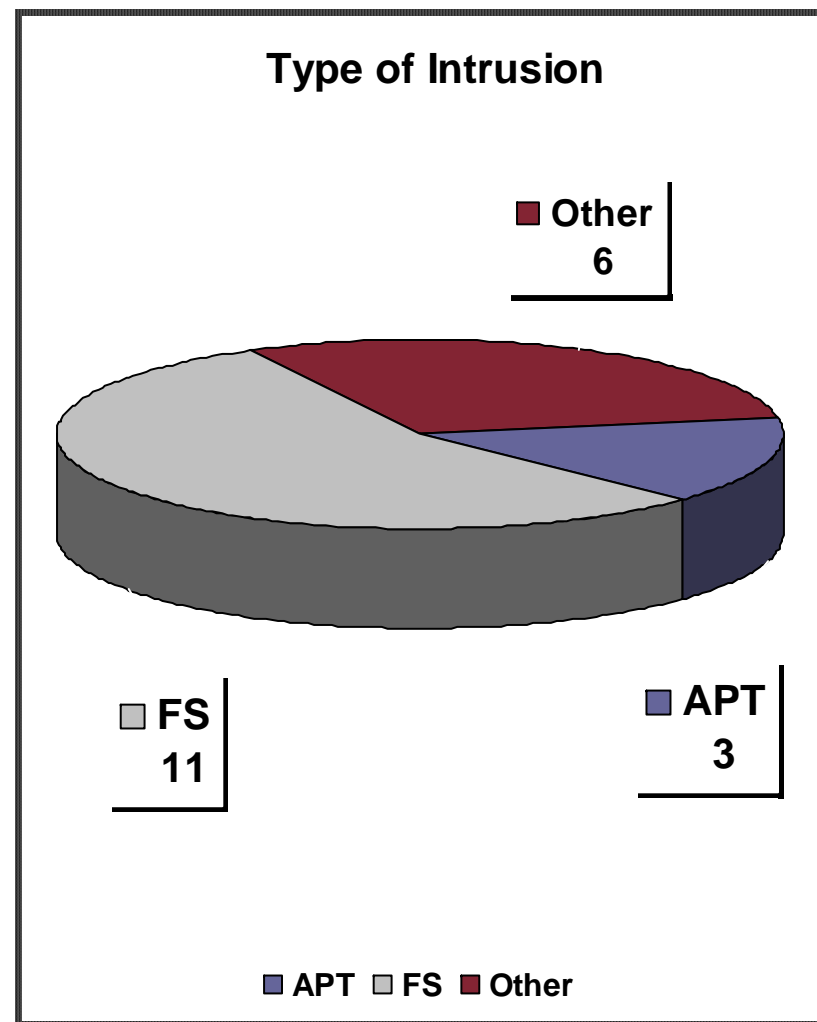
## 7. How are Organizations Detecting Incidents?

- Notification from other Victims.
- Notification from Government Agencies.

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# Types of Intrusions - 2008

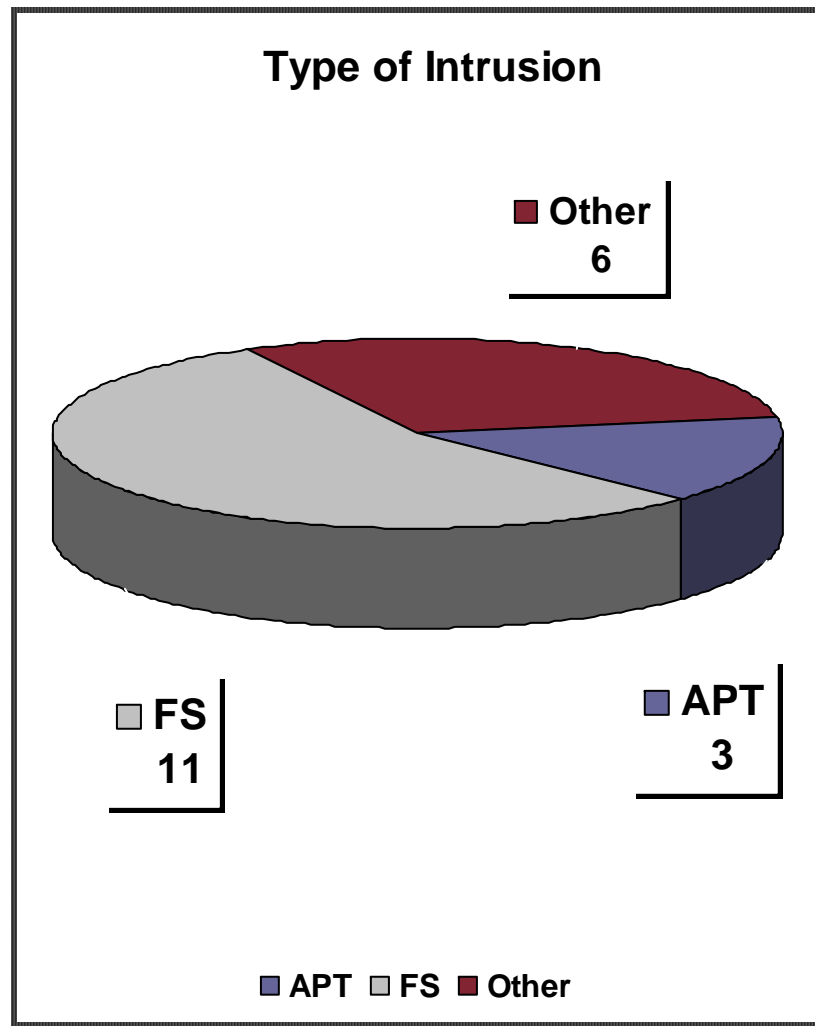
- Last 20 Computer Intrusions in 2008:
  - 10 Financial Services
  - 5 Retailers
  - 2 Government
  - 2 EDU
  - 1 Insurance





# Detection – Last 20 Incidents

- Antivirus .5
- IDS .5
- Clients/External 1
- End Users 6
  - IT
- Audits 0
- Obvious 0
- External 12



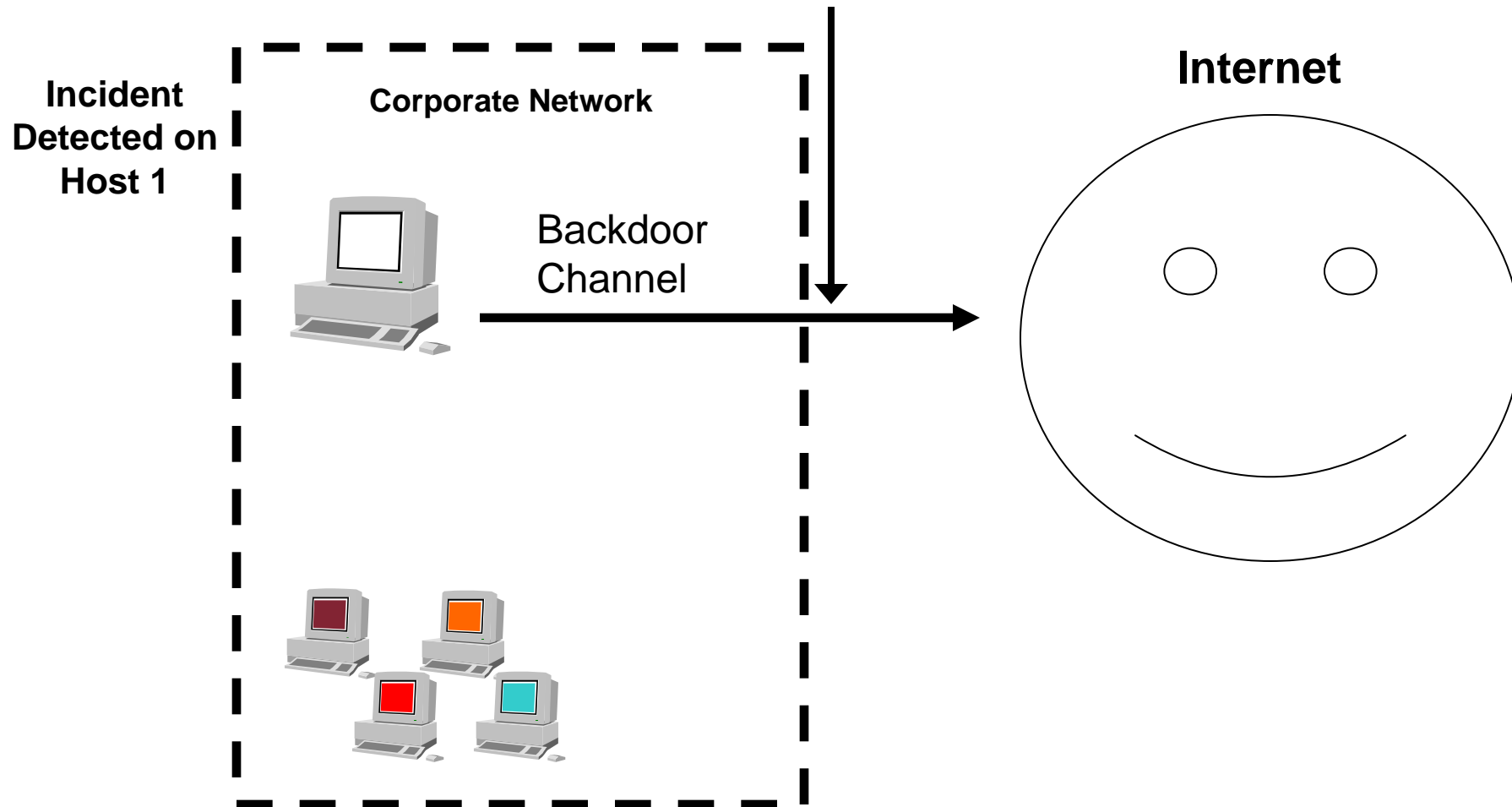
# CSI – Computer Intrusion Forensics!!!



INTELLIGENT INVESTIGATION. EFFICIENT.

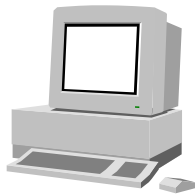
# Incident is Detected

## Network Monitoring



# Performing Live Response

Incident  
Detected on  
Host 1



Respond  
on Host 1

1. Last Accessed Time of Files
2. Last Written Time of Files
3. Creation Time of Files
4. Volatile Information
5. Services Running
6. Event Logs
7. Registry Entries
8. Host Status (Uptime, Patch Level)
9. IIS and Other Application Logs



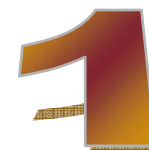
Live Data Collection  
Performed to Verify  
Incident and Determine  
Indicators / Signature of  
the Attack



# How Are Attackers Gaining Initial Entry?

# How are Attackers Gaining Entry?

- Vulnerable Services?
- Not Nearly as Common as 1998-2003.



# How are Attackers Gaining Entry?

- Web Application Vulnerabilities?
  - SQL Injection

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# How Are Attackers Gaining Entry?

- End User Attacks

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# How Are Attackers Gaining Entry?

- Never Find Victim 0?
- Valid Credentials



# What Attackers are Doing Now

- Depends on Attack Type
  1. **Attacks for Money**
  2. **Attacks for Information**
  3. Attacks for Access
  4. Attractive Nuisances
  5. Information Warfare





# Case Studies

## The State of the Hack

# Case Studies – Attacks for Information

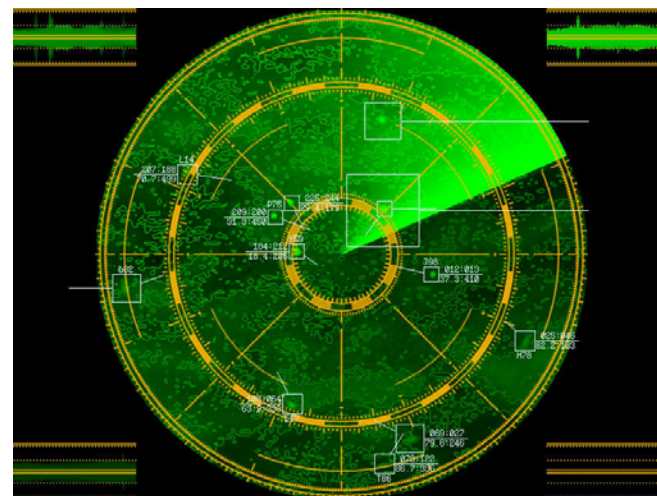


# Case Studies – Attacks for Money



# Challenge

- Knowing the Constituencies you are Investigating the Breach for:
  - Executive Management
  - Technical Management
  - Legal Counsel
  - Insurance
  - Clients/Customers
- There are Conflicts Amongst these Constituencies



# Evolution of Incident Response

- Executive Concerns
- Legal Concerns
- Technical Concerns



**Technical**

**Business**

**Compliance**

## Management Concerns (Board and CEO)

- What is the Incident's Impact on Business?
- Do We have to Notify our Clients?
- Do We have to Notify our Regulators?
- Do We have to Notify our Stock Holders?
- What is Everyone Else Doing about this Sort of thing?





# Legal Counsel Concerns

- Are we required to notify our clients, consumers, or employees about the security breach?
- What constitutes a “reasonable belief” that protected information was compromised – the standard used in many states to determine whether notification is required?



# Legal Counsel Concerns

- What are the applicable regulations or statutes that impact our organization's response to the security breach?
- Which state laws are applicable? Which might be in the future?
- Are there any contractual obligations that impact our incident response strategy?



# Legal Counsel Concerns

- How might public knowledge of the compromise impact the organization?
- What is our liability if PII was compromised?
- What is our liability if the compromised network hosted copyrighted content (pirated movies, music, software...)
- Does notifying our customers increase the likelihood of a lawsuit?



# Legal Counsel Concerns

- Is it permissible to monitor/intercept the intruder's activities?
- How far can/should we go to identify the intruder?
- Who knows about the incident?
- Should the organization notify our regulators? Law enforcement?



# Technical Management (CIO)

- How long were we exposed?
- How many systems were affected?
- What data, if any, was compromised (i.e., viewed, downloaded, or copied)?
- Was any Personal Identifiable Information (PII) compromised?
- What countermeasures are we taking?



# Technical Management (CIO)

- What are the chances that our countermeasures will succeed?
- Who else knows about the security breach?
- Is the incident ongoing? Preventable?
- Is there a risk of insider involvement?





# Questions?