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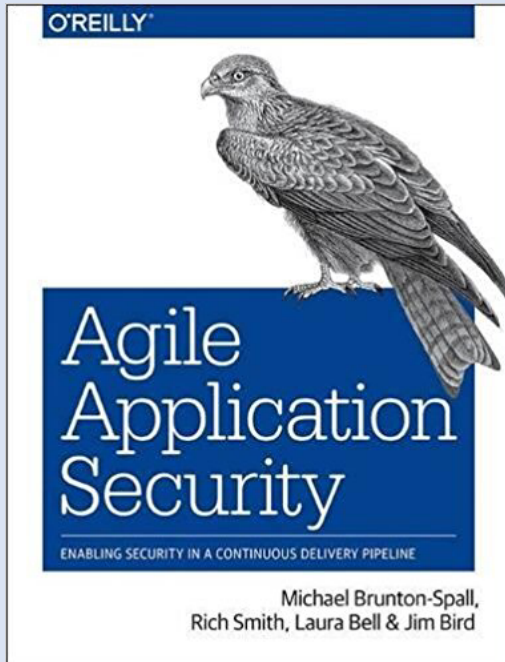
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What is agile?

Individuals and Interactions over process and tools

Working software over comprehensive documentation

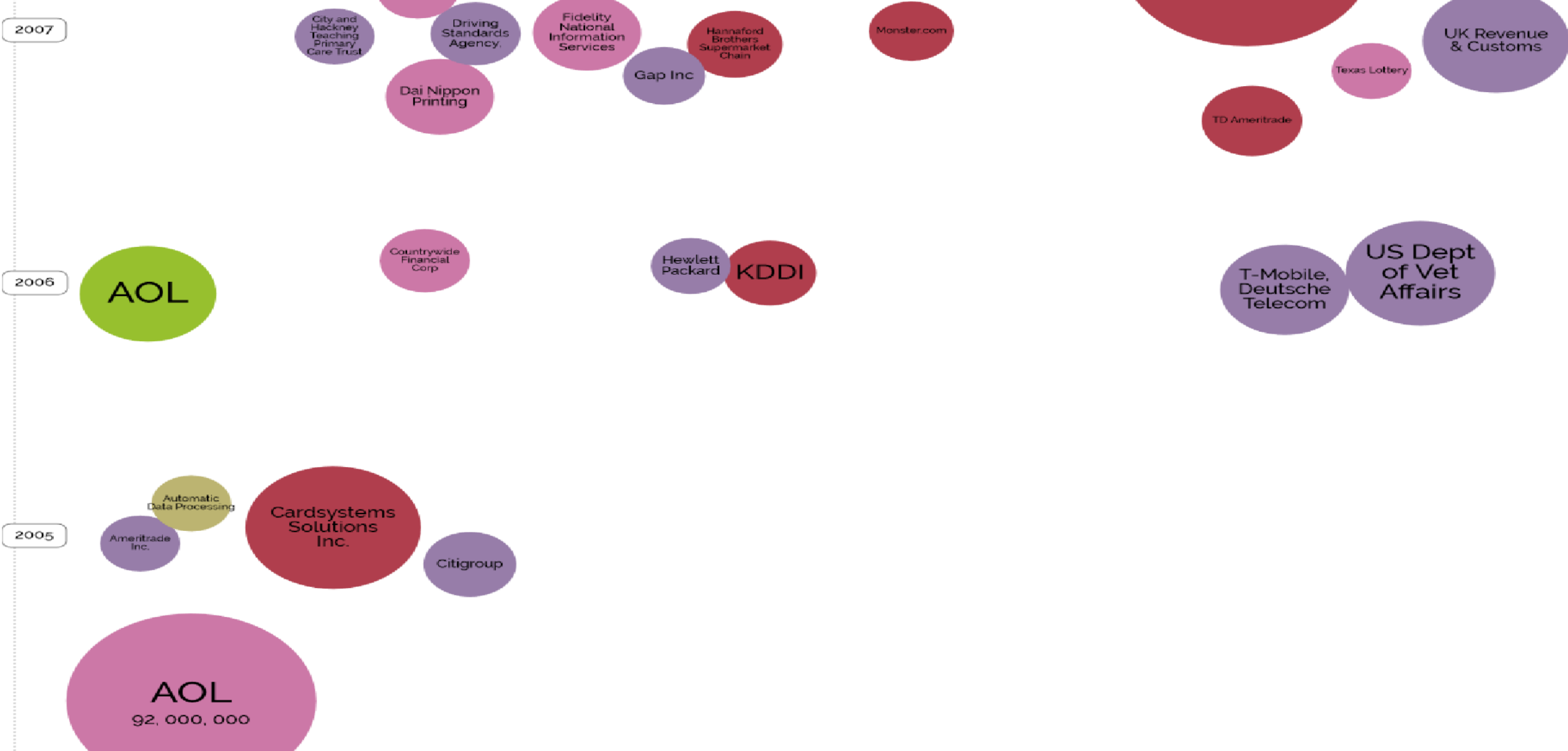# Customer collaboration over contract negotiation

Responding to change over following a plan

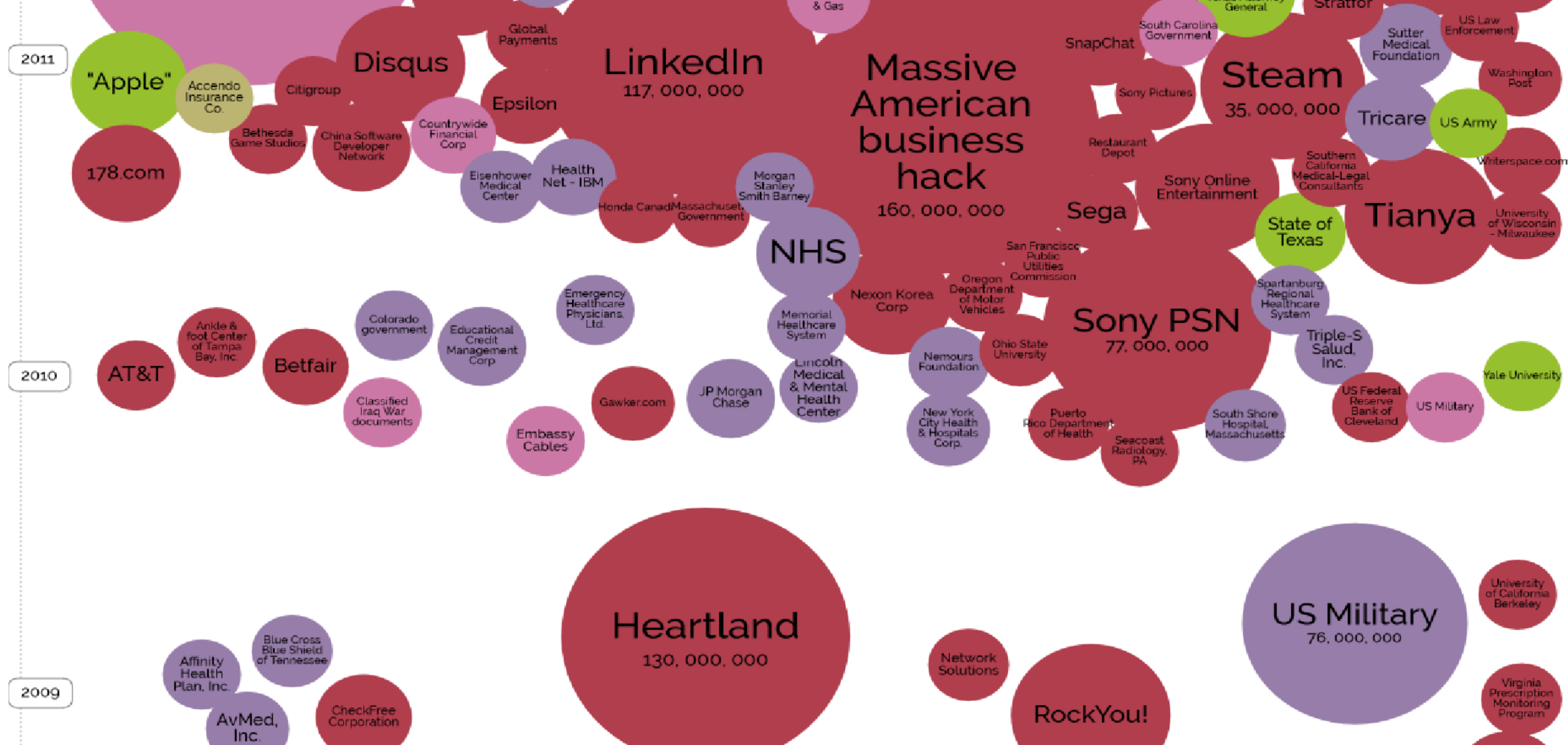**Michael Brunton-Spall**   **@bruntonspall**

What is Security?

Security, in its current form, does not actually work

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Turkish citizenship database

Snapchat

2018

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Criminal users on the internet

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At least $1.5t a year

https://www.bromium.com/resource/into-the-web-of-profit/#

Founding Fathers
Top Tier
Mobile
The Latest

2007
Zeus
The founding father of banking Trojans

2009
Spyeye
The main rival and successor of Zeus

2011
Game Over Zeus
Zeus variant operated as a P2P botnet

2011
Citadel
The 'open-source' banking Trojan

2012
Tinba
Written in ASM and unrelated to Zeus

2014
Dridex
Unique distribution through a "spam factory"

2014
Dyre
Systematic behavior and HTTPS bypass

2014
GM bot
First mobile banking Trojan

2016
Trickbot
A Dyre variant with online configurations

https://www.europol.europa.eu/publications-documents/banking-trojans-stone-age-to-space

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Figure 16: The webinject file is used by attackers to customize attacks for specific sites and applications

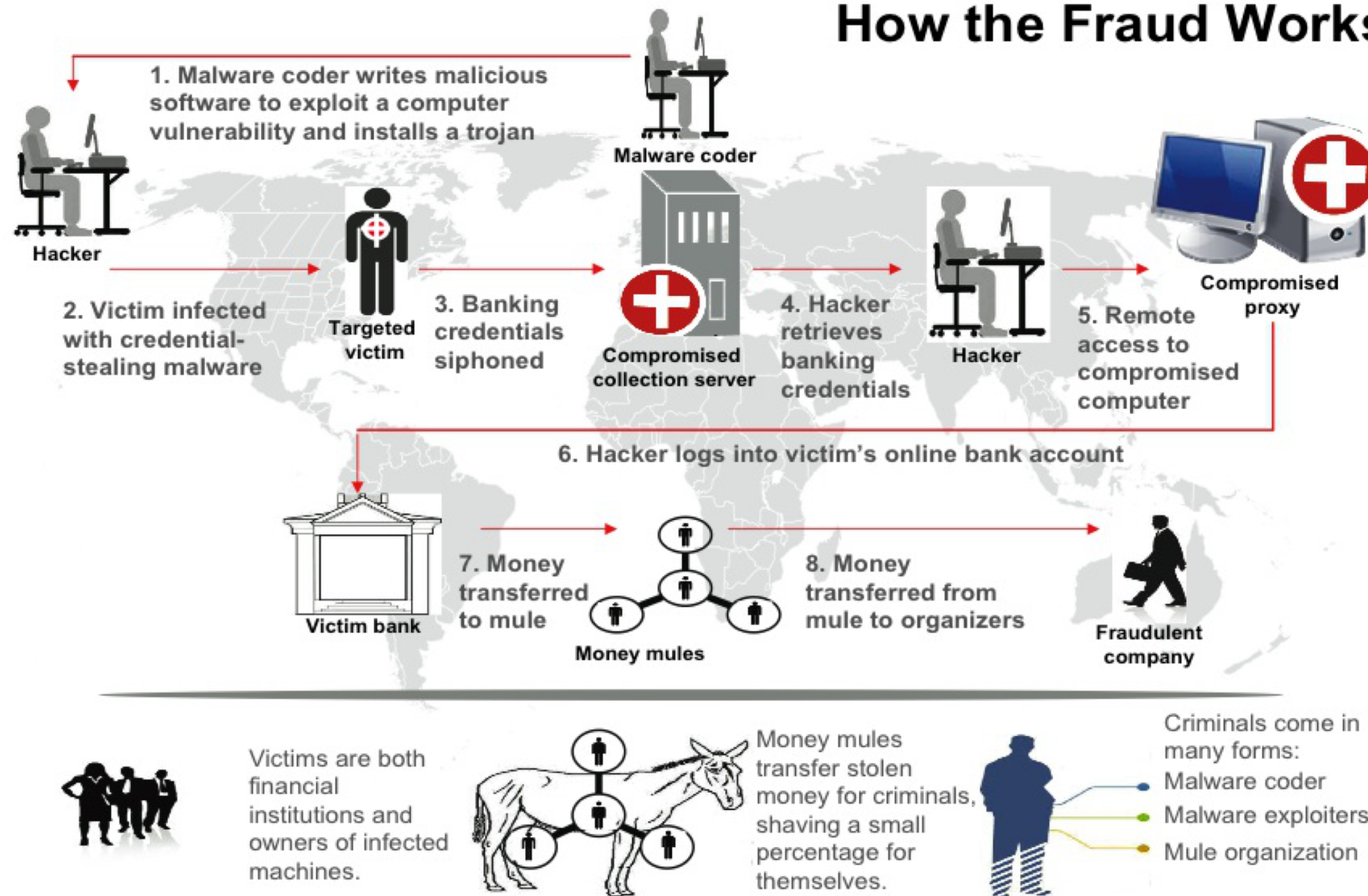http://www.stateoftheinternet.com/resources-web-security-threat-advisories-2014-zeus-zbot-malware-crimeware.html

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Platform Capitalism

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Cybercrime as a service

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How the Fraud Works

1. Malware coder writes malicious software to exploit a computer vulnerability and installs a trojan

Malware coder

Hacker

2. Victim infected with credential-stealing malware

Targeted victim

3. Banking credentials siphoned

Compromised collection server

4. Hacker retrieves banking credentials

Hacker

5. Remote access to compromised computer

Compromised proxy

6. Hacker logs into victim's online bank account

Victim bank

7. Money transferred to mule

Money mules

8. Money transferred from mule to organizers

Fraudulent company

Victims are both financial institutions and owners of infected machines.

Money mules transfer stolen money for criminals, shaving a small percentage for themselves.

Criminals come in many forms:
- Malware coder
- Malware exploiters
- Mule organization

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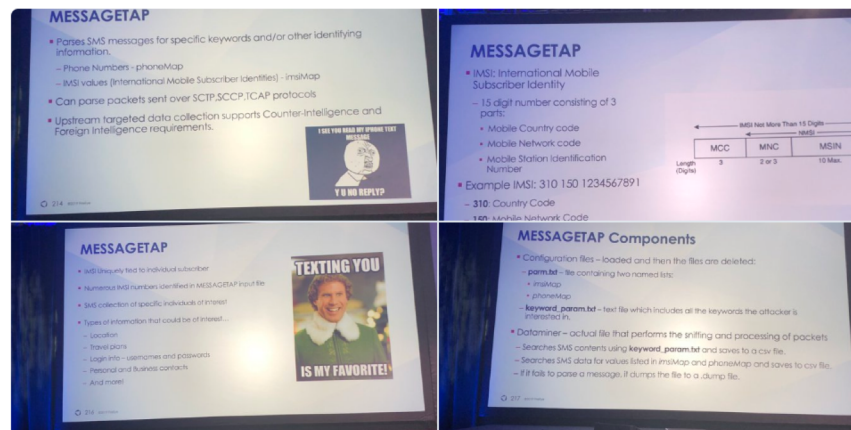
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Christopher Glyer
@cglyer

Replying to @cglyer

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Linux system at a telecom we've named MESSAG[...]

This enabled APT41 track/monitor monitor phone [...]
records either based on specific IMSI numbers or [...]
SMS terms#FireEyeSummit

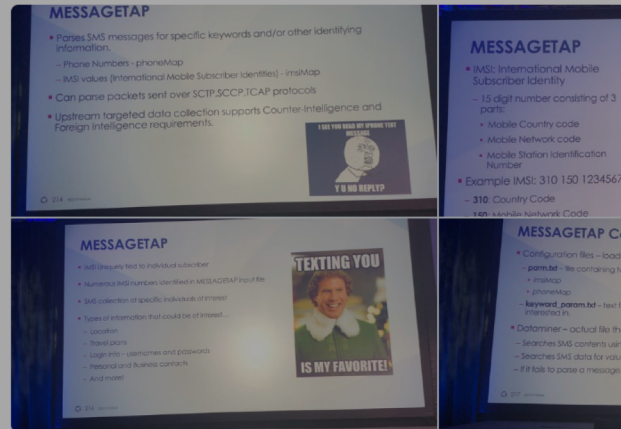♡ 257   10:58 PM - Oct 10, 2019

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I'LL BE BACK

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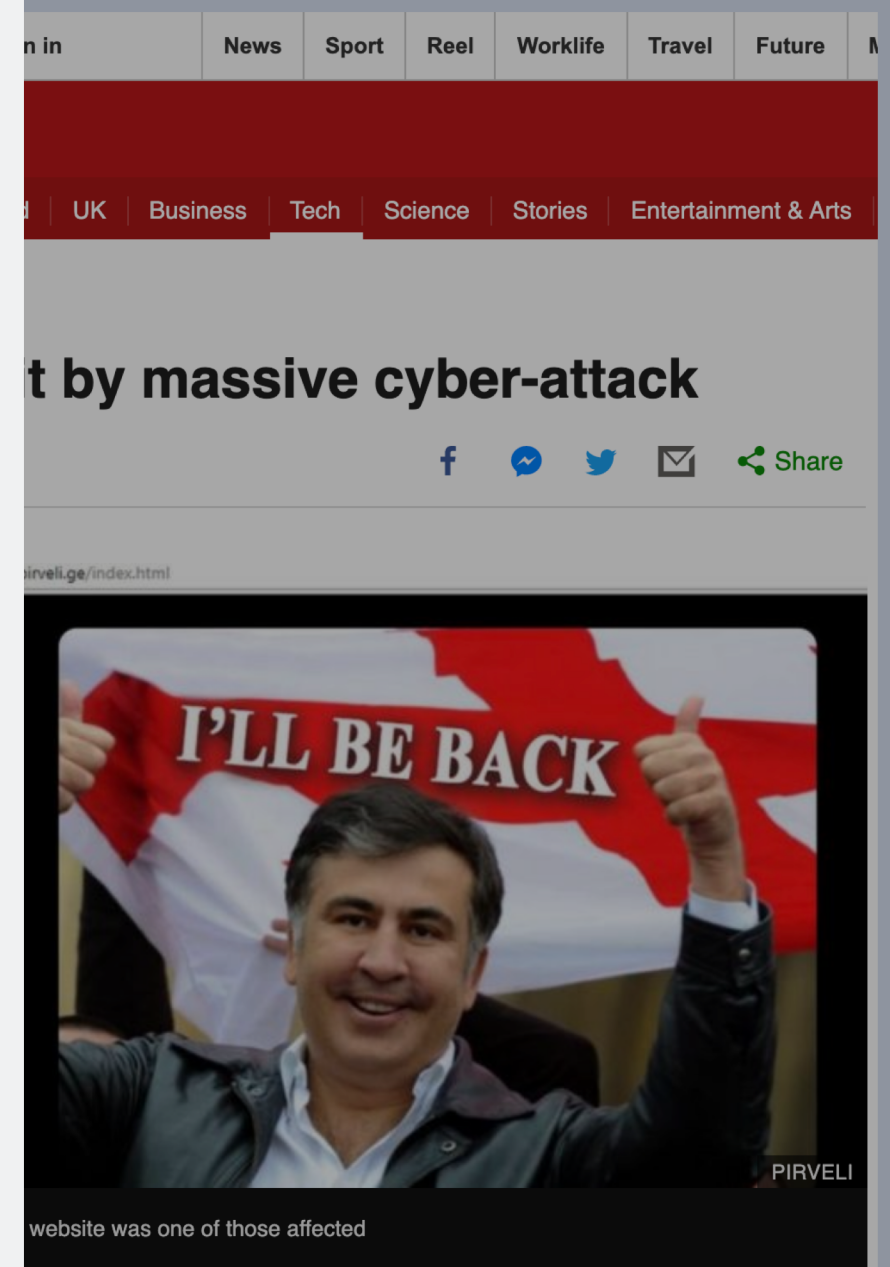
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National Security

Former Twitter employees charged with spying for Saudi Arabia by digging into the accounts of kingdom critics

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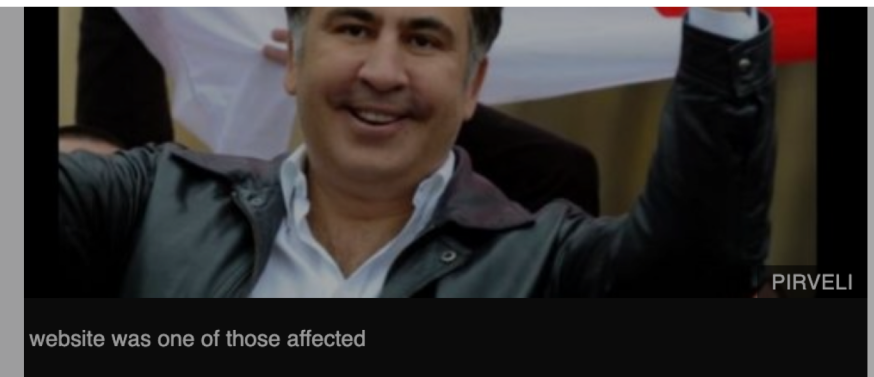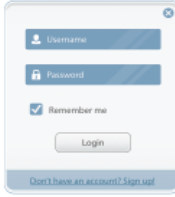
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100+ TARGETS

Since mid-2013, FIN4 has targeted over 100 organizations, all of which are either publicly traded companies or advisory firms that provide services such as investor relations, legal counsel, and investment banking. Approximately two-thirds of the targeted organizations are healthcare and pharmaceutical companies.

FIN4 knows their targets. Their spearphishing themes appear to be written by native English speakers familiar with both investment terminology and the inner workings of public companies.

FIN4 does not infect their victims with malware, but instead focuses on capturing usernames and passwords to victims' email accounts, allowing them to view private email correspondence.

FIN4 uses their knowledge to craft convincing phishing lures, most often sent from other victims' email accounts and through hijacked email threads. These lures appeal to common investor and shareholder concerns, enticing the intended victims into opening the weaponized document and entering their email credentials.

On multiple occasions, FIN4 has targeted several parties involved in a single business deal, to include law firms, consultants, and the public companies involved in negotiations. They also have mechanisms to organize the data they collect and have taken steps to evade detection.
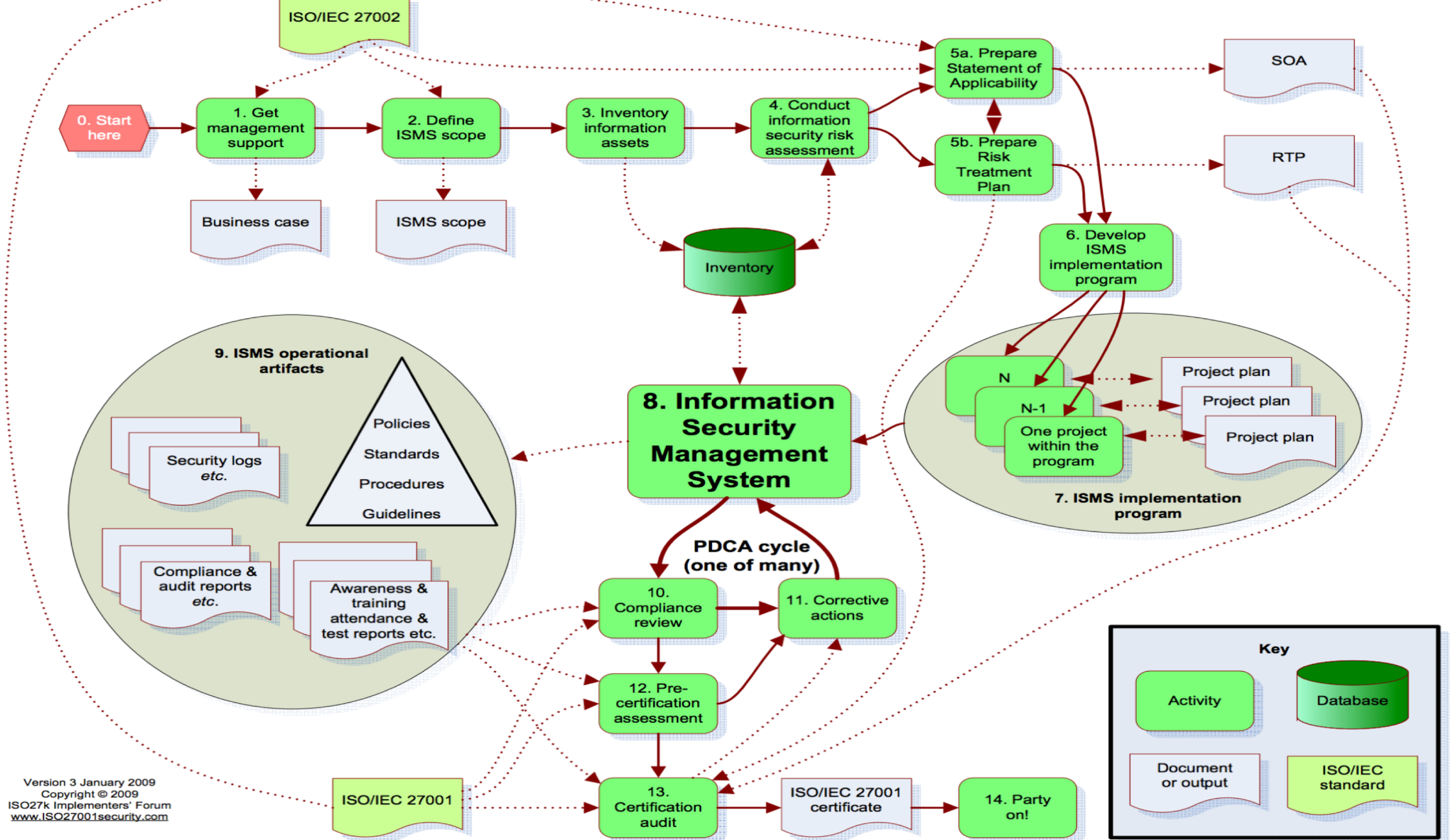
What is our defense?

Certification

Certification
Accreditation

Certification
Accreditation
PCI

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Certification
Accreditation
PCI
ISO27001

ISO/IEC 27002

0. Start here → 1. Get management support → 2. Define ISMS scope → 3. Inventory information assets → 4. Conduct information security risk assessment → 5a. Prepare Statement of Applicability → SOA

5b. Prepare Risk Treatment Plan → RTP

1. Get management support ⇢ Business case
2. Define ISMS scope ⇢ ISMS scope
3. Inventory information assets ⇢ Inventory (Database)

6. Develop ISMS implementation program

7. ISMS implementation program
N, N-1, One project within the program → Project plan, Project plan, Project plan

8. Information Security Management System

9. ISMS operational artifacts
- Security logs etc.
- Compliance & audit reports etc.
- Awareness & training attendance & test reports etc.
- Policies / Standards / Procedures / Guidelines

PDCA cycle (one of many)
10. Compliance review → 11. Corrective actions
12. Pre-certification assessment
13. Certification audit → ISO/IEC 27001 certificate → 14. Party on!

ISO/IEC 27001

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Key
- Activity
- Database
- Document or output
- ISO/IEC standard

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Change control

ITIL Change Management

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Who does this?
Large Organisations?
Security Organisations?
People with big budgets?

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Facebook will pull its data-collecting VPN app from the App Store over privacy concerns

Onavo Protect, a VPN service Facebook acquired in 2013, will no longer receive updates on iOS

By Nick Statt | @nickstatt | Aug 22, 2018, 6:46pm EDT

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Vulnerability Spotlight: CVE-2018-3952 / CVE-2018-4010 –

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MAC | THREAT ANALYSIS

Mac App Store apps are stealing user data

Posted: September 7, 2018 by Thomas Reed

There is a concerning trend lately in the Mac App Store. Several security researchers have independently found different apps that are collecting sensitive user data and uploading it to servers controlled by the developer. (This is referred to as *exfiltrating* the data.) Some of this data is actually being sent to Chinese servers, which may not be subject to the same stringent requirements around storage and protection of personally identifiable information like organizations based in the US or EU.

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Inside the Magecart Breach of British Airways: How 22 Lines of Code Claimed 380,000 Victims

September 11, 2018, Yonathan Klijnsma

On September 6th, British Airways announced it had suffered a breach resulting in the theft of customer data. In interviews with the BBC, the company noted that around 380,000 customers could have been affected and that the stolen information included personal and payment information but not passport information.

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INTERNET INSECURITY | By **Lorenzo Franceschi-Bicchierai** | Aug 24 2018, 7:06am

Lines of

Hackers Stole Personal Data of 2 Million T-Mobile Customers

T-Mobile disclosed an "incident" in which hackers accessed "some" customers' personal information—but no financial data or passwords.

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Simple systems are more secure

Complexity theory

Simple Systems – A bike

Complicated systems – A car

Complex Systems - Traffic

We don't solve motorway congestion by assuring tires

Microservices and security

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"Software that can fit in my head"
James Lewis

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Small systems focused on one business domain

Business based

Own their own data

Contracts for communication

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Simple services with clear boundaries

Security must be an enabler for the team

The unit of delivery is the team

The unit of decision making
is the team

Workshop with whole team

Workshop with whole team*

Visible outputs for walls

AntiPersonas

Han Solo

Motivation

Han Solo is motivated primarily by money, but also works with the rebel alliance.

Han is capable of using common tools as well as modifying existing tools on the fly

Han doesn't want to be caught and so takes an effort to avoid head on confrontations

Capabilities

Resources: 2/5

Capability: 4/5

Bravery: 2/5

Criminal connections: 3/5

Connections

Rebel Alliance, Hutts

Misuse cases

Understand the riskier stories

Applying ISO27001 controls in agile

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4 mechanisms: Avoid, Mitigate, Transfer, Accept

6 Controls: Deter, Prevent, Correct, Recover, Detect, Compensate

Record decisions against stories

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Record deferred security debt

Security bugs are not evenly distributed

Product Owner/Service Manager is in control

Regular releases reduces risk

Unpatched Vulnerabilities the Source of Most Data Breaches

New studies show how patching continues to dog most organizations - with real consequences.

Nearly 60% of organizations that suffered a data breach in the past two years cite as the culprit a known vulnerability for which they had not yet patched.

Half of organizations in a new Ponemon Institute study conducted on behalf of ServiceNow say they were hit with one or more data breaches in the past two years, and 34% say they knew their systems were vulnerable prior to the attack. The study surveyed nearly 3,000 IT professionals worldwide on their patching practices.

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But barely hours after the advisory was posted, attackers began actively exploiting the flaw to try, among other things, to upload cryptocurrency miners on vulnerable sites or to use compromised sites to launch distributed denial-of-service attacks. In virtually no time at all — and certainly before a vast majority of site owners had an opportunity to upgrade or apply mitigations — thousands of host systems around the world became potential targets for compromise.

The speed at which attackers attempted to take advantage of the newly disclosed Drupal flaw was in stark contrast to March, when it took about two weeks for the first attacks against CVE-2018-7600 to surface. Hacker activity around March's so-called Drupalgeddon 2.0 was so low initially that it prompted security vendor Imperva to wonder if hackers were getting lazy.

GOV.UK fixed Heartbleed within approx 2 hours

https://insidegovuk.blog.gov.uk/2014/04/11/govuk-and-the-heartbleed-openssl-bug/

AWS fixed entire AWS estate within 1 hour and scanned customers to inform them

https://threadreaderapp.com/thread/1114944298246660100.html

Infrastructure as code

```
class varnish::package {
  package { 'varnish':
    ensure => installed,
  }
}
class varnish::config($upstream_port, $strip_cookies) {
  include varnish::restart

  $app_domain  = hiera('app_domain')

  file { '/etc/default/varnish':
    ensure  => file,
    content => template('varnish/defaults.erb'),
    notify  => Class['varnish::restart'], # requires a full varnish restart to pick up changes
  }

  file { '/etc/default/varnishncsa':
    ensure => file,
    source => 'puppet:///modules/varnish/etc/default/varnishncsa',
  }

  file { '/etc/varnish/default.vcl':
    ensure  => file,
    content => template('varnish/default.vcl.erb'),
  }
}
```

Infrastructure as testable code

```ruby
      let(:params) do
        {
          :port => 8000,
          :app_type => 'rack',
          :vhost_aliases => ['foo','bar'],
          :domain => 'example.com',
          :vhost_full => 'giraffe.example.com',
        }
      end

      it { is_expected.to contain_nginx__config__vhost__proxy('giraffe.example.com').with_aliases(['foo.example.com','bar.examp
  end

  context 'with an upstart post-start script' do
    let(:params) do
      {
        :port => 8000,
        :app_type => 'rack',
        :domain => 'foo.bar.baz',
        :vhost_full => 'giraffe.foo.bar.baz',
        :upstart_post_start_script => '/bin/true',
      }
    end

    it do
      is_expected.to contain_file('/etc/init/giraffe.conf').with(:content => %r{post-start script\s*\n\s*/bin/true\s*\n\s*end
    end
  end
end
```

```gherkin
@normal
Scenario: check quick answers load
  When I visit "/vat-rates"
  Then I should see "VAT rates"

@normal
Scenario: check guides load
  When I visit "/getting-an-mot"
  Then I should see "Getting an MOT"

@normal
Scenario: check transactions load
  When I visit "/apply-renew-passport"
  Then I should see "UK passport"

@normal
Scenario: check benefit schemes load
  When I visit "/pension-credit"
  Then I should see "Pension Credit"

@normal
Scenario: check homepage content type & charset
  When I visit "/"
  Then I should get a Content-Type header of "text/html; charset=utf-8"

@normal
Scenario: check 404 page content type & charset
  When I visit a non-existent page
  Then I should get a Content-Type header of "text/html; charset=utf-8"
```

Dealing with patches

What machines are affected?

```
class nginx::package(
  $nginx_package = 'nginx-full',
  $version       = 'present',
) {

  include govuk::ppa

  # nginx package actually has nothing useful in it; we normally need nginx-full
  package { 'nginx':
    ensure => purged,
  }


  package { 'nginx-common':
    ensure => $version,
    notify => Class['nginx::restart'],
  }


  package { $nginx_package:
    ensure  => $version,
    notify  => Class['nginx::restart'],
    require => Package['nginx-common'],
  }
}
```

```
(michaelbruntonspalldev@ubuntu work/puppet)% ack-grep nginx::package::version
hieradata/common.precise.yaml
5:nginx::package::version: '1.4.4-1~precise0'

hieradata/common.yaml
151:nginx::package::version: '1.4.6-1ubuntu3.1'

hieradata/class/frontend.yaml
2:nginx::package::version: '1.4.6'

hieradata/class/backend.yaml
2:nginx::package::version: '1.4.5'
```

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Updating machines in test

Just some machines?

Repeat in production

One Government service released code once every 6 months

GOV.UK released around 8 times per day

1 day = 4 years of practice

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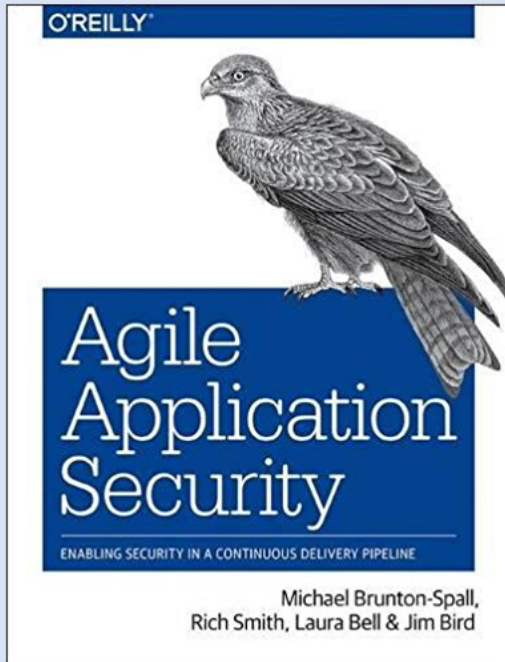
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