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Realities of Data Security

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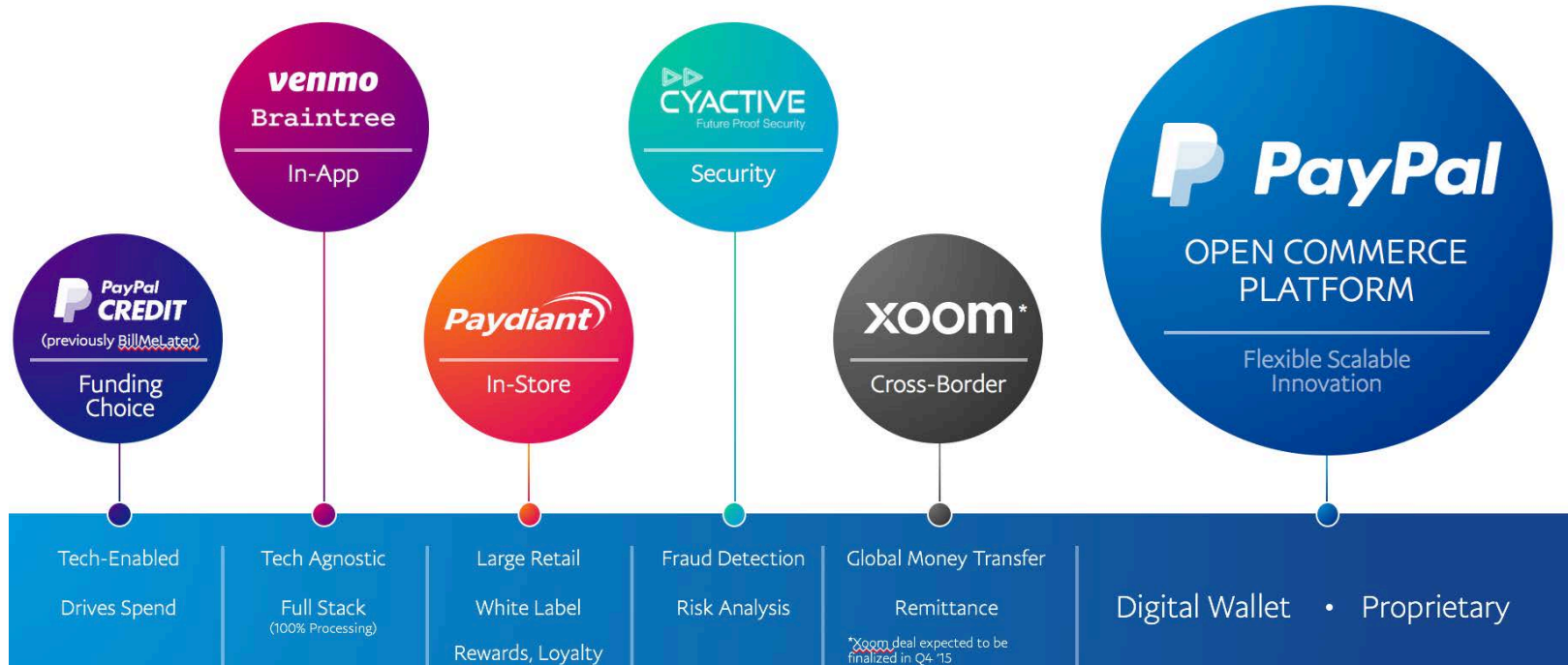


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The Data Complexities



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Why should we trust anyone with our Data?



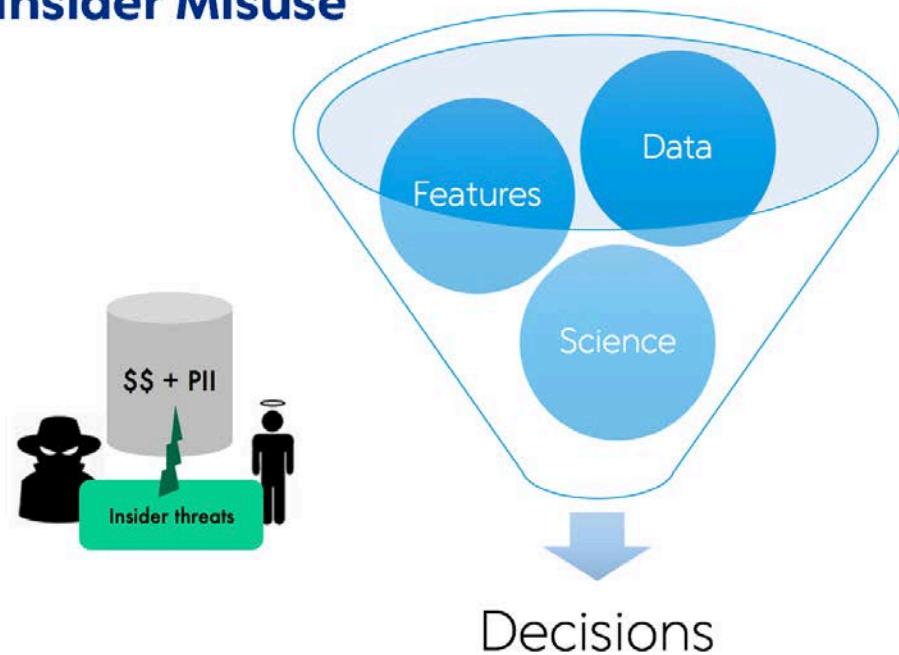
People actually need data to do their job

Email Marketing
Customer Support
Business Analytics
Financial Analyst
Marketing

Software Developer
Network Operations
Security Operations
HR / Payroll
Fraud Control



Insider Misuse



55%

THE TOP ACTION
WAS PRIVILEGE
ABUSE—AT 55% OF
INCIDENTS—WHERE
INTERNAL ACTORS
ABUSE THE ACCESS
THEY HAVE BEEN
ENTRUSTED WITH.

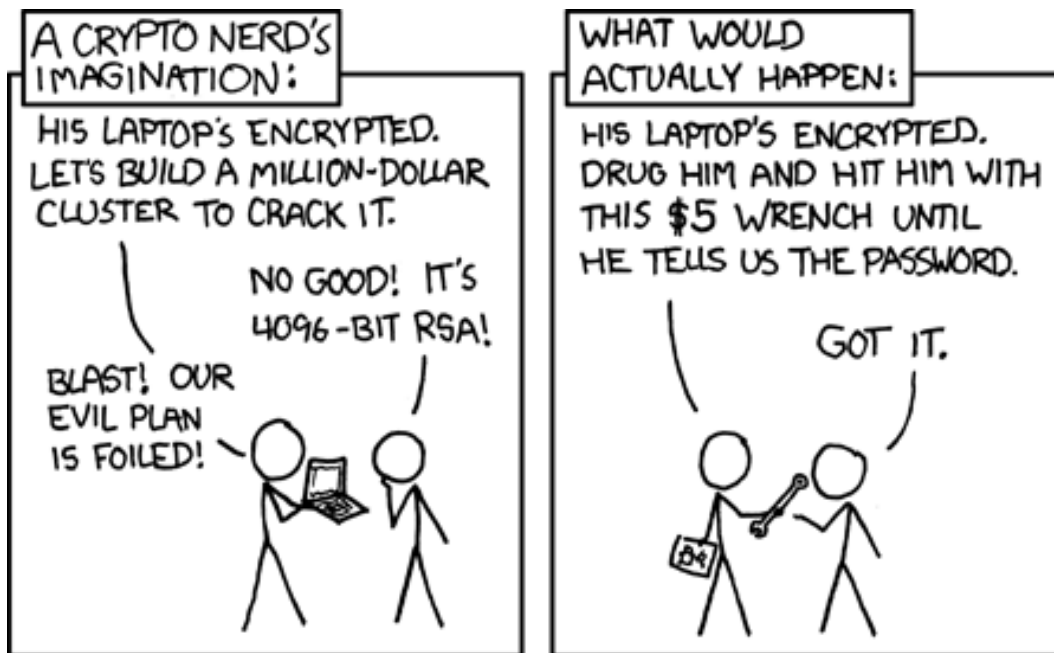
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The People Problem



“Think of how stupid the average person is, and realize half of them are stupider than that.”

-- George Carlin



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So Now What ??

When you are thinking about solving this dilemma, you cannot just worry only about the data itself

Data security should strive to



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Find It

Data repositories with restricted/PII data
Business work flows & data flows
Identify owners, does data leave your network

Secure It

Delete or move into a secure network zone
Encrypt data when it is found insecure
Create access rights controls & fix bad process

Monitor It

Ongoing monitoring with \$tool – users & systems
Data scanning tools for compliance
Inbound/outbound flow monitoring
kill data streams & wall of shame



Ask

- Hey, where is our data?
- Where did this come from? Where is it going?
- Where Else could It be ?
- Are you caching anything ?
- How many copies are there?
- Has anyone taken it home?
- Did anyone stick it “in the cloud”

Validate

- Buy Stuff or Build Stuff
- Data tools haven't caught up with data systems
- You cannot find everything with Tagging, sometimes you have to sniff it out
- Don't forget your logging systems, file shares, and desktops
- To sample or not to sample



Zones

- Build network zones in the right places to house the data where it needed
- Separate employee zones from customer zones from analytics zones
- If zones exist, uplift controls to match your new standard
- Build a common Bill of materials & definition of “Run the business”

Encrypt

- Deploy Hardware Security Modules (HSM) where required
- Make sure your tools can decrypt where appropriate
- Keys should be as unique as you need them to be
- once you encrypt the data, make sure that the data entry point is encrypted too



Logging

Build use cases

“Log all activity from DBA’s and watch for select from application tables”

Log All the Things; keystroke log if required

positive & negative testing required for tools

tap, syslog, integrated, custom, modules, ...

In-Line Detection

decrypt data if required

deploy at all ingress and egress points that matter

tap, DLP, proxies, email, ...

Multi-Layer Trust Model



User Zone

Network

Desktop

Applications

Access Zone

Bastion Host

Citrix Portal

Data Center Zone

Server

Data Repository

Data

Application

Controls required around Data



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Centralized Logging	N, H, A
Vulnerability Scanning	N, H, A
Intrusion Detection	N
Patching Updates	N, H, A
Web Proxy	N
Anti-Malware	N, H
Time Synchronization	N

Data Loss Prevention	N
Firewalls	N
Role-Based Access	N, H, A
VDI / Citrix / Bastion	N
Packet Capture	N
File Integrity	H
Configuration Control	H

N=Network H=Host A=Application

Risks of Direct Data Controls

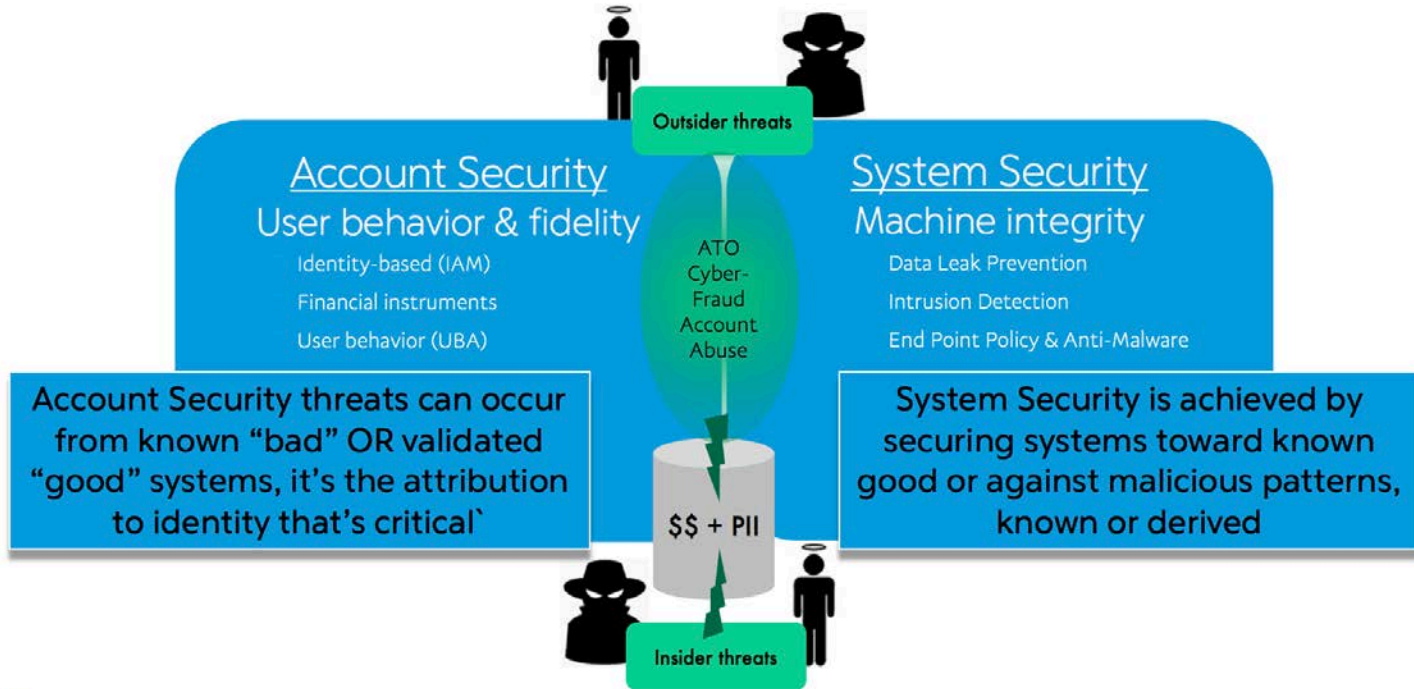


- No one can use the data if its always encrypted
- Tagging Data on Content? Good luck with that
- Tagging Data with Users? Easier, but still
- DLP is only as good as your Regex foo
- Be ready to customize for NoSQL Solutions
- Vendors design for “most common”... Know anyone like that ?

Monitor the human too



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Threat Behavior Buckets



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Never Anyone (Always Prohibit)

- No one should EVER do this
- No machine should EVER do this

Never This (Point Prohibit)

- This type of person should never do
- This type of machine should never do
- This type of data should never go

Never Seen (Watch and React)

- (Source Location)+(Source Machine)+
(Source Person)+(Target)+(Action)
- One of these items is irregular



Don't say NO

Say HOW



Data Security is not a permanent state



Data Security can not work effectively unless you have agility
(there's nothing static about data)



- Build technical and business standards related to use of data and control of data - “The Law”
- Build technical standards related to the controls expected of secure, restricted zones & related to the encryption / access to data – “The How”
- Find restricted data throughout the company, and scan for locations that should have NO data
- Identify method to protect the data once found – delete / relocate / protect / encrypt & execute
- Implement technical controls at the endpoint and network and repository
- Apply continuous monitoring controls to data & people

Build solutions and processes that outlast the people building them



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