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Who is Lofty Perch?

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- What are students facing?
 - Accelerating change
 - Proliferation of technology
 - Complex environments

- How do we reach them in a lasting and effective fashion?
 - Create perspective
 - Align with industry momentum
 - Associate with related areas
 - *Tell them how we got here*

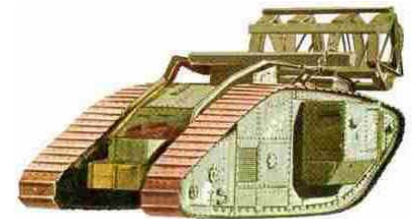


Where Are we and How Did we Get Here?

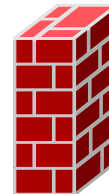
Information Security Market Phase One: Weaponry

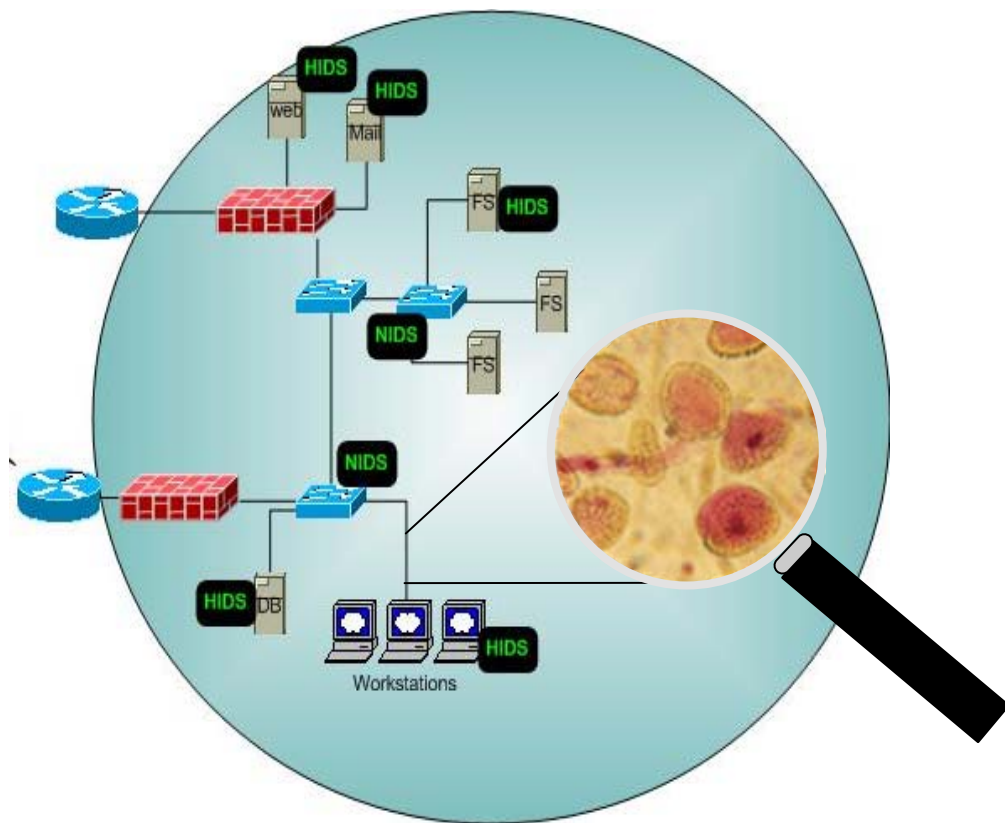
- DEC Seal, ANS Interlock, \$100K/year custom solutions
- Everyone needs a firewall, simple solutions needed
- *“Holistic Integrated Management?”* *Yeah, right!*

Firewalls, IDS, VPN, ...



Tanks, Predators, Comms,...





Hackers and WORMs are still infiltrating networks

Cost and consequences of attacks increasing

How to choose/justify additional security measures?

Where's that report detailing historical network health?

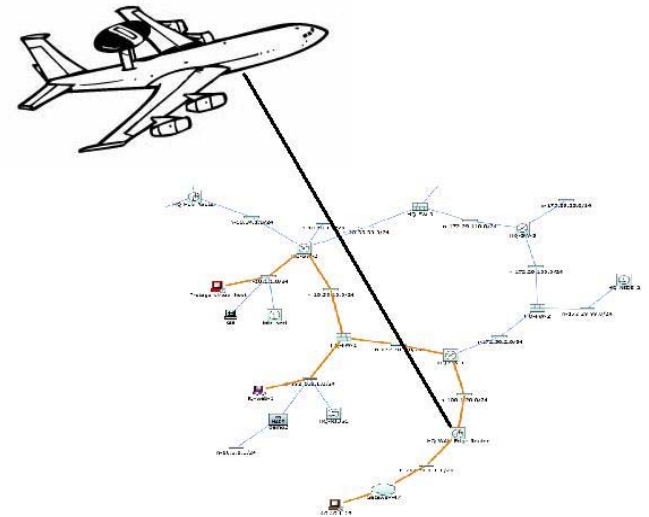
Infosec Market Phase Two: Management

- The battlefield is getting busy, no longer about the biggest gun
- The key is managing the data that describes your network:

- Topology
- Telemetry

You need to know your network and what it is doing!

- ***Time to rise above the fray***



Know your Network

- If you don't know the shape of your network, making sense of your data will not be easy



Monitor Health Data

- You cannot deal with what you cannot see



Identify Behaviour Patterns

- Events don't exist in a vacuum
- *Behaviour* is reflected in how hosts interact over time

Take Action

- Stop attacks



A - Firewall reporting tools (mid 90s)

- Why not?

B - “Forensics” are born! (late 90s)

- Add IDS events, stir.

C - “SIM Fails to Deliver” (~2000)

- Mix-mash of forensic tools and approaches
- Some good chunks of engineering done

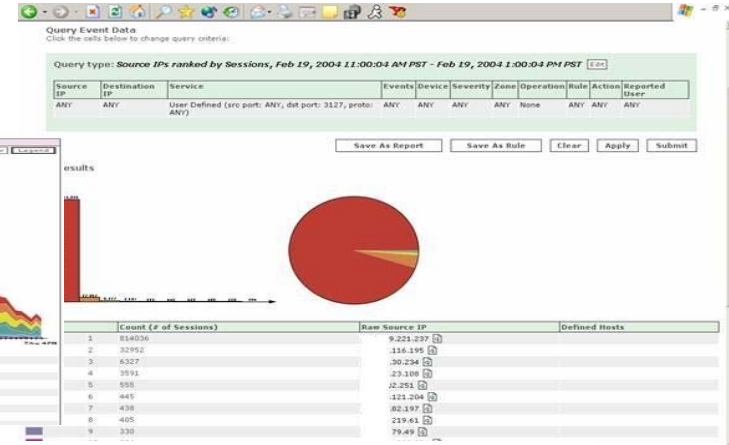
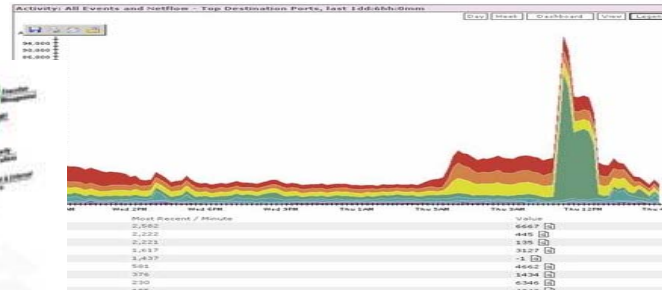
D – The End Game Begins (present)

- Command and Control emerging
- Long-term storage viable

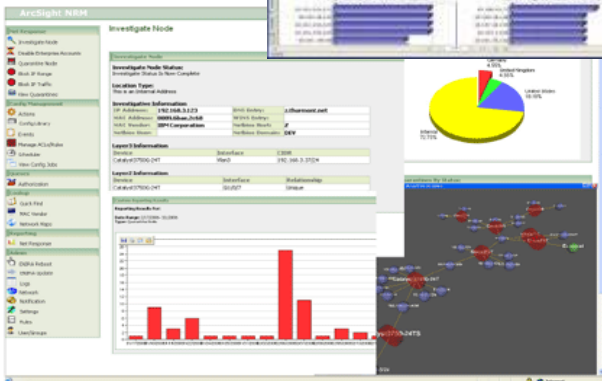
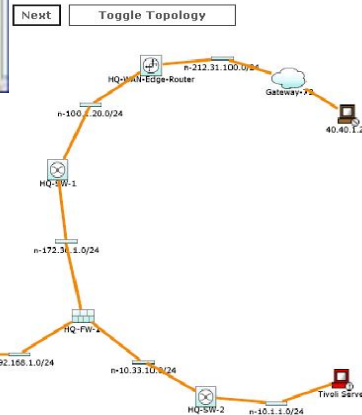
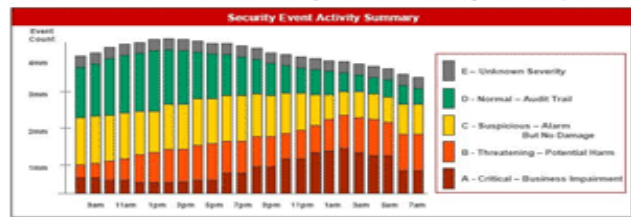


You Are Here!

Advancing Visibility



Business Area: HIPAA Summary 8am PST Friday March 8, 2004



Visibility Wins Battles

Visibility is a 767 jammed full of expertise and technology hanging 50,000 feet over your network!

You own the battlefield -
Act Like It!

“Fair Fighting” my eye!
Drop big rocks from orbit!



What Is SIM Supposed to Be?

What is “Security Information Management”?

Managing the *Information about* the Security of your Information!

- *What gear do you own?*
- *How does it all connect to everything else?*
- *What's it doing?*
- *Who's making it do that?*
- *Who said they could?*

Defining “Security Information Management”

SIM <sim n. acronym – *Security Information Management*>

“A Solution which provides Visibility into the Current and Past state and activity of a network, for the purpose of managing and enhancing the Security of said network.”

Visibility!

A SIM will provide **Visibility** into:

- what is **happening** on your network, and
- what has **happened** on your network.

Requirements exist to know what has happened

- **SOX Seven Year Retention Standards**

- **Mapping Changing Conditions for Security**

Operations

- **Forensic Investigations**

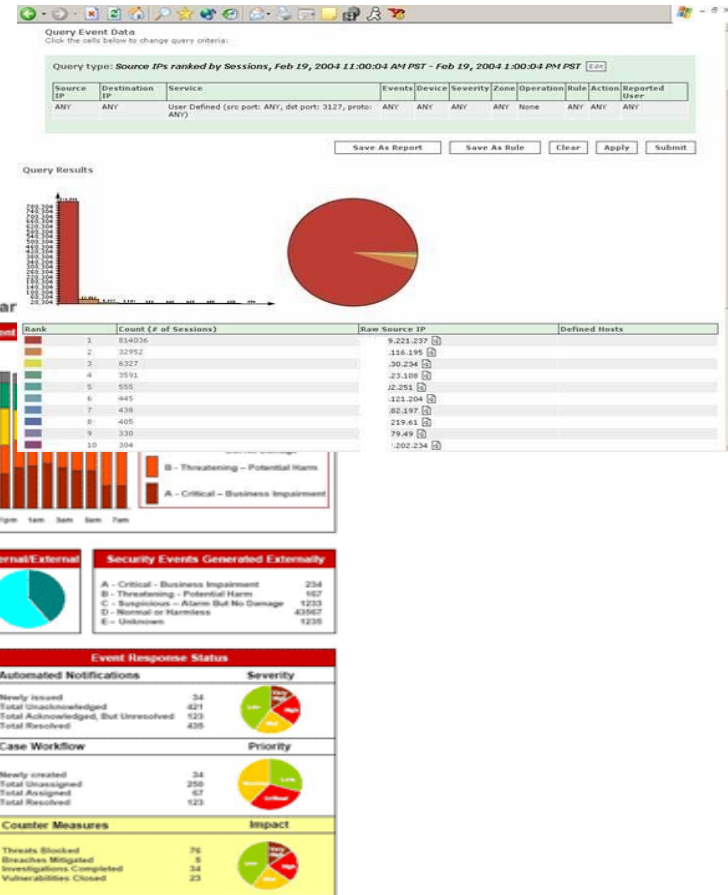
Focus on Solutions Providing:

- **LARGE Storage**

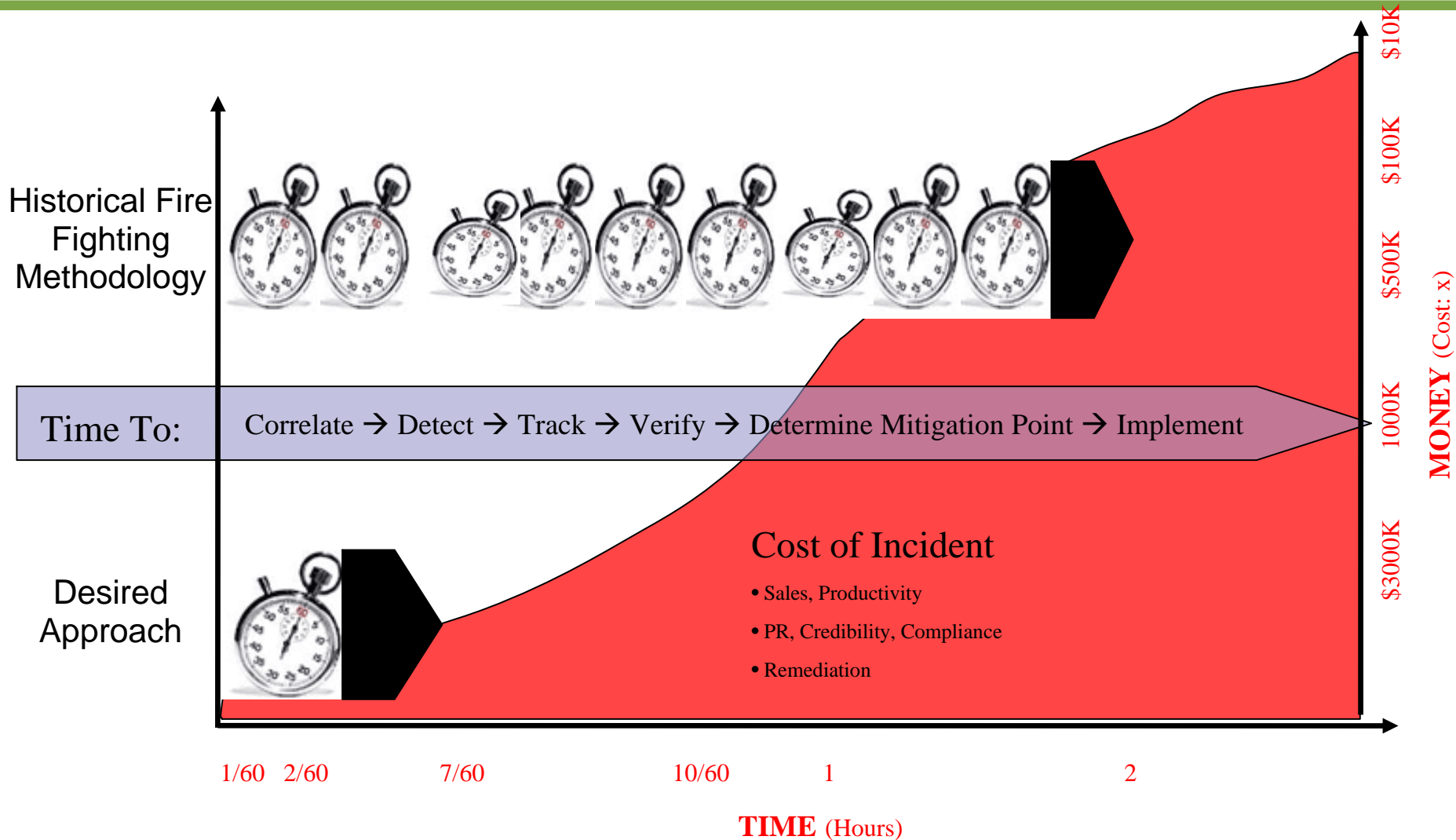
- **Accuracy**

- **Completeness**

- **Availability**

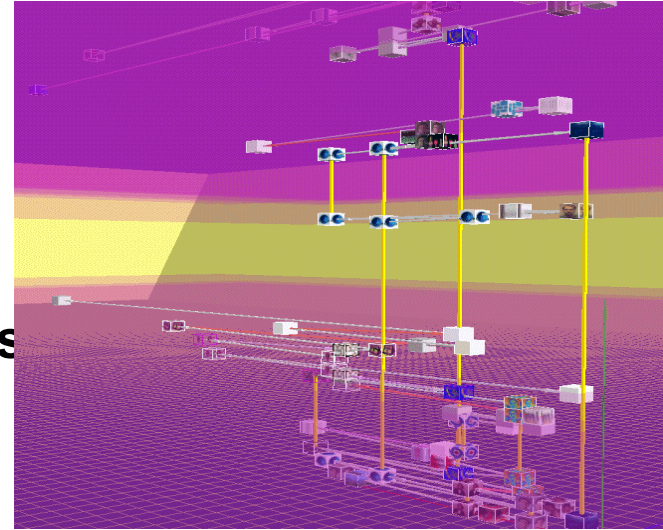


The Present = Command and Control



Major Components of the Data Set

- What do you have? [**Topology**]
 - Connectivity Device configurations
 - Discovery (**scanners, log data,...**)
 - **State Information (AV rev, VA/patches)**
- What is it doing? [**Telemetry**]
 - **Log Data (router, switches, FWs, hosts, apps)**
 - **Alerts (xIDS)**
 - **Authentication/Authorization**
 - Physical Security



Daily

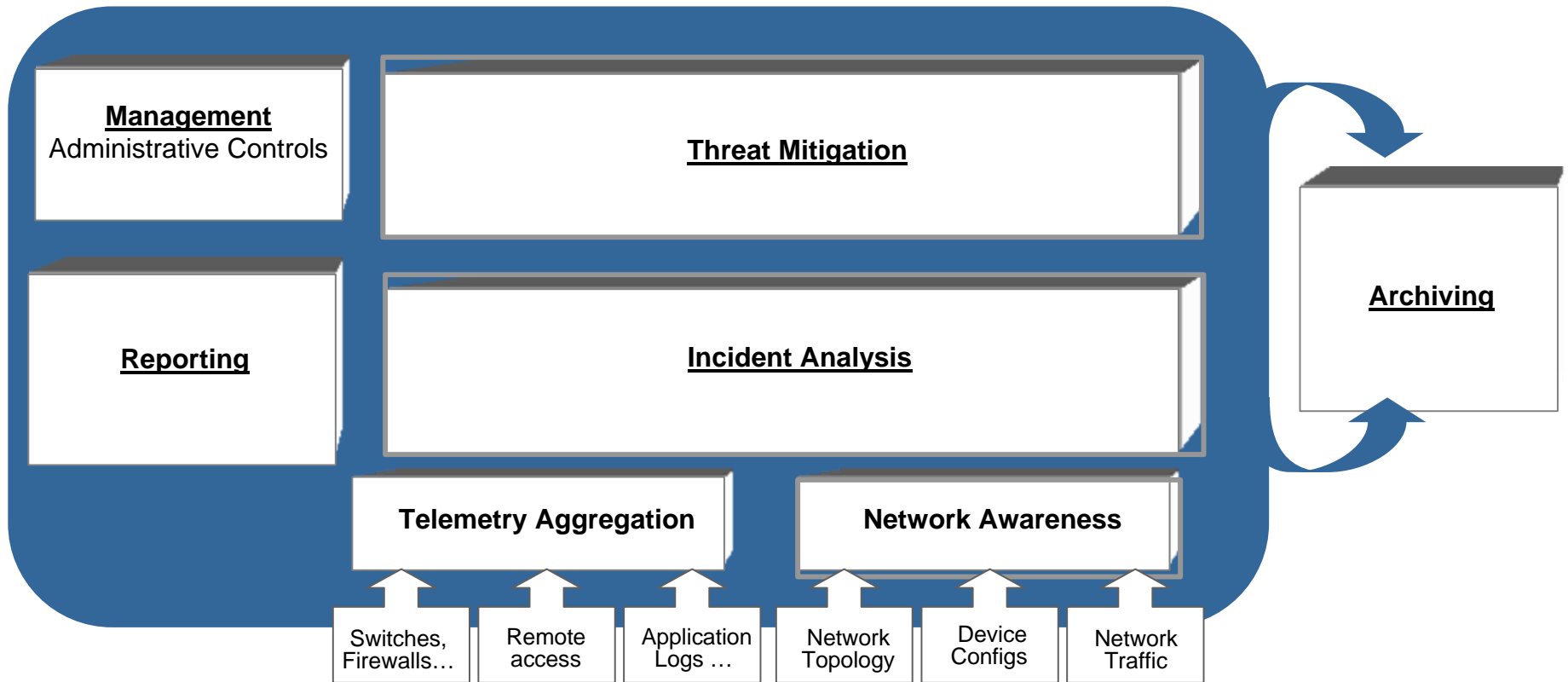
- *Infrastructure Event Volume – G/Day*
- *Application Event Volume – G/Day*
- *IDS Event Volume – M/Day*

Annually

- *Topology Data – G/year*
- *Device Data – P/Year*
- *Application Data - P/Year*



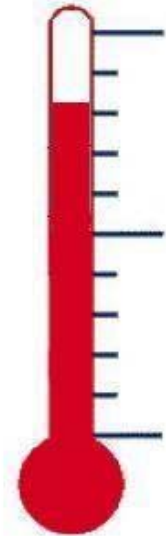
“What do you have - and what is it doing?”



How is Your Timing?

SIM Due Diligence Scale:

- **Five years ago – just shoot yourself**
- **Now – Time to get started**
- **Five years from now – criminally negligent to not have under control**





Case Study – Process Control

An example in contrast to IT

Not your father's IT network!

Education and communication hold the key to success

The usual suspects...

Hacker hits Pennsylvania water system

HARRISBURG, Pa., Oct. 31 (UPI) -- The FBI in Philadelphia is investigating how a hacker bypassed security and compromised the computer of a Harrisburg, Pa., water filtration plant.

FBI Special Agent Jerri Williams told ABC News the apparent motive in the Columbus Day attack wasn't to disrupt the plant's operation, but rather to use its computer to covertly distribute mass e-mails or pirated software.

Oilpatch on alert over terror threat

Online posting also threatens Venezuela, Mexico

Ian MacLeod, Ottawa Citizen, CanWest News Service and Calgary Herald

Published: Wednesday, February 14, 2007

Alberta's energy sector is on heightened alert after an al-Qaeda Internet posting called for terrorist strikes against Canadian oil and natural gas facilities to "choke the U.S. economy."

An online message, posted last Thursday by the al-Qaeda Organization in the Arabian Peninsula, declares "we should strike petroleum interests in all areas which supply the United States . . . like Canada," the largest exporter of oil and gas to the U.S.

"The biggest party hurt will be the industrial nations, and on top of them, the United States."



The screenshot shows the FCW.com website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with categories: MANAGEMENT, TECHNOLOGY, BUSINESS, POLICY, and STATE/LOCAL. Below this, there are sub-categories: FCW and Industry and Government. The main content area features a yellow banner for "FCW.COM STORY" and a headline: "Cyber officials: Chinese hackers attack 'anything and everything'". The article is attributed to "BY Josh Rogin" and "Published on Feb. 13, 2007". The text of the article begins with "NORFOLK, Va. -- At the Naval Network Warfare Command here, U.S. cyber defenders track and investigate hundreds of suspicious events each day. But the predominant threat comes from Chinese hackers, who are constantly waging all-out warfare against Defense Department networks, Netwarcom officials said." To the right of the article, there is a "Related Links" section with three links: "Attack by Korean hacker prompts Defense Department cyber debate", "Cartwright: Cyber warfare strategy 'dysfunctional'", and "Health IT Integrators IPv6".

History – From Lighthouses to Modbus



- 1910's-1920's - Lighthouse beacon manufacturer builds first lighted runways in Canada and the US
- WWII leads to boom in aviation, airfield lighting systems develop basic structure, largely focused on availability
- 1979 – Modbus invented: Serial Networks begin to add computers to airfield lighting by enabling the use of PLCs and HMIs

History – The Era of Isolation

-From the earliest days, control centered around maintaining physical isolation

-As controlled electric airfield lighting emerged, security was at best managed by locks and guards

-The advent of airfield networks ushered in the concept of an “air gap” between the airfield network and other networks

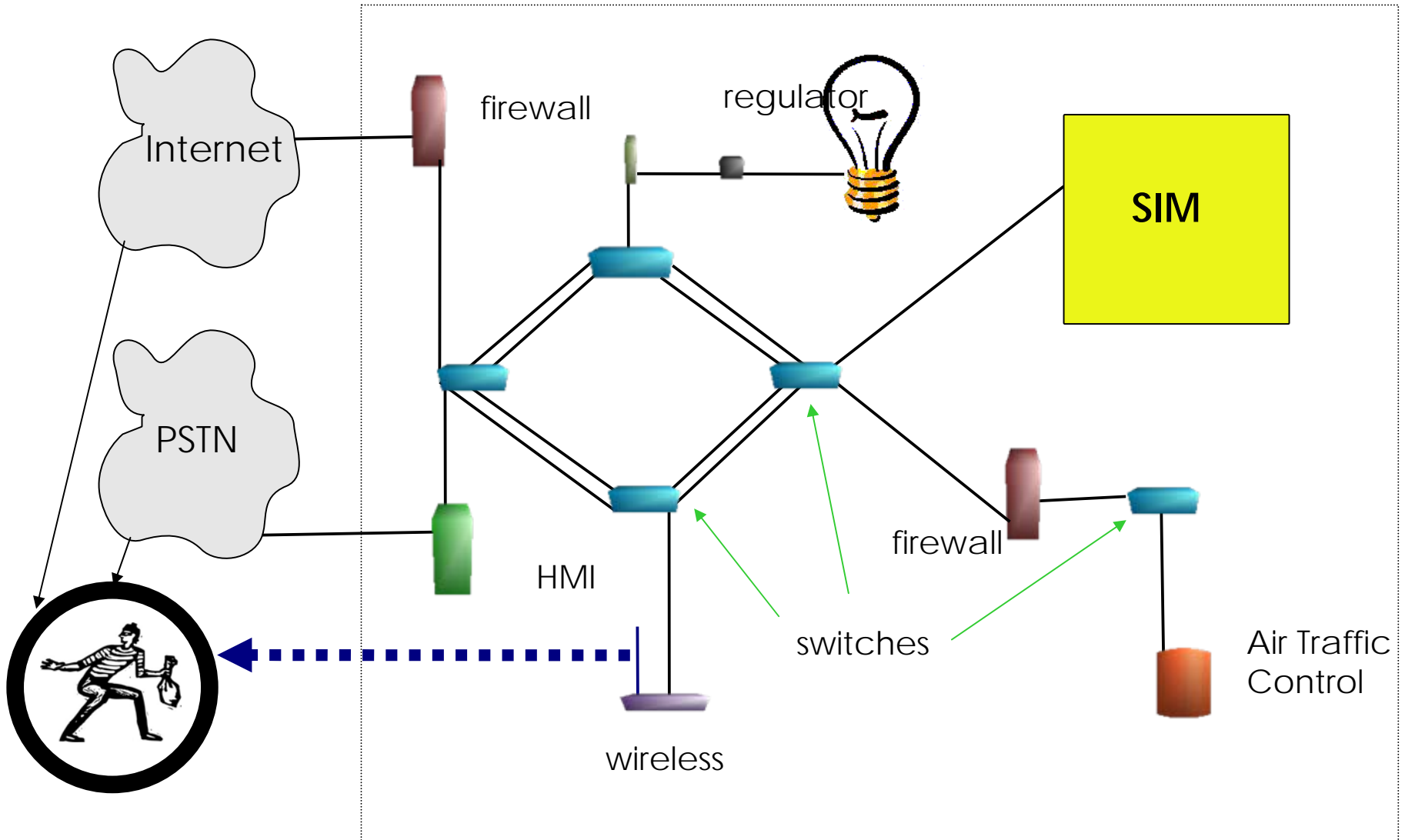


History – The End of an Era

- For a while, isolation seemed to work
- Increasingly sophisticated airports demanded increasingly complex networks
- By the '90s computers and their ability to communicate reached global critical mass
- Post-2001 it becomes impossible to ignore that airfield networks have become interconnected with other networks



Managing Risk – Visibility



Main Obstacles to PCS Security

- **Historical momentum**
 - **Division of duties: IT and PCS**
 - **Steel-toed boots vs. Sneakers**

- **Lack of cross-training**
 - **Process Control System and IT staff lack awareness of each others' issues**

Summary/Q&A

- Train for the future by teaching the past
- Expand the scope of education to include tangential areas
- Help your students enter the Management Era



**Thank you for
your time!**

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Abstract

"In this session we will look into the evolution of Information Security and how we use this knowledge to provide training that makes students effective and adaptive to change. The progression of Security Operations to Security Management will be examined in the context of educating Operational and Management staff to deal with coming trends."