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Cyber Risk Management: New Approaches For Reducing Your Cyber Exposure

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Predictions: Intuition & Luck





Predictions: Modeling & Data The Washington Post

The amazing improvements in winter weather forecasting since the 1970s

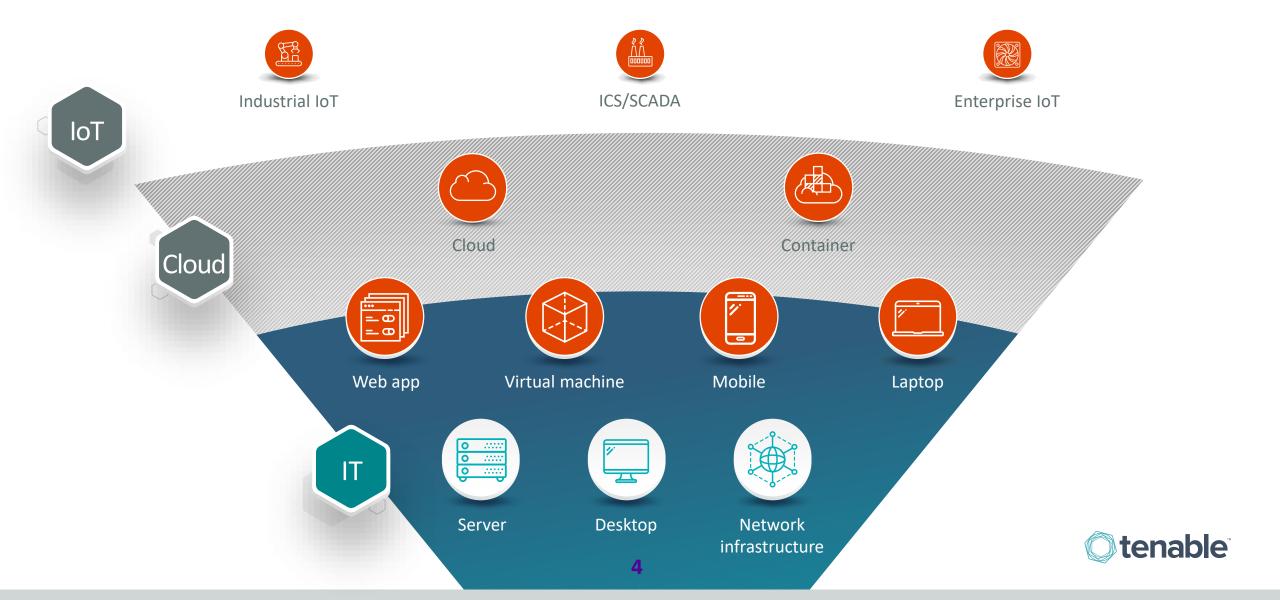
"like comparing television resolution in 1960 to 4k-flat screen models that are available today"

- February 3, 2017





The Cyber Exposure Gap



The Four Key Questions



Where are we exposed?



Where should we prioritize based on risk?



How are we reducing exposure over time?



How do we compare?



Manual Processes Are A Barrier

Figure 5. Perceptions about responding to vulnerabilities and threats

Security spends more time navigating manual processes than responding to vulnerabilities,

48%

Our organization is at a disadvantage in responding to vulnerabilities because we use manual processes

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39%

which leads to an insurmountable

response backlog

We incorporate threat intelligence into prioritizing assets that are most important to safeguard

29%

We have sufficient visibility into our organization's attack surface (i.e., cloud, containers, IoT and OT)

Strongly agree and agree responses combined



New Approaches To Measuring Cyber Risks Are Needed

Figure 7. Perceptions about KPIs

58%

Traditional KPIs or metrics for evaluating business risk do not work for evaluating cyber risks.



30%

We are able to correlate cyber risk KPIs and our ability to mitigate the risk of a data breach of security exploit.

Strongly agree and agree responses combined

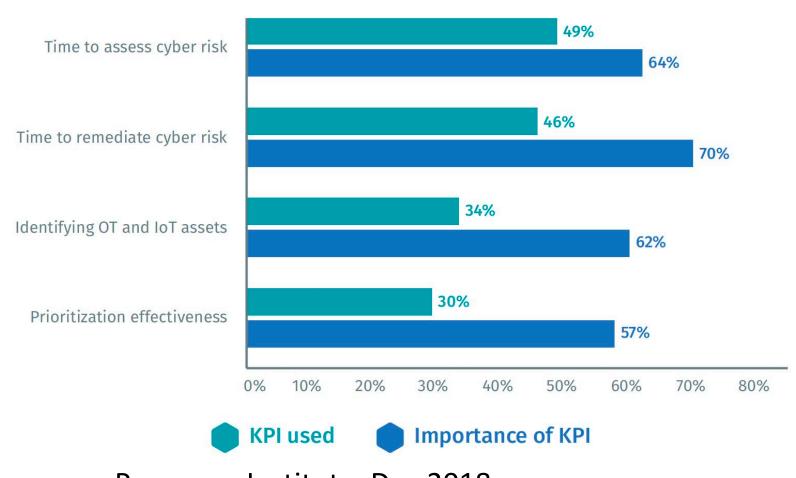
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Important KPIs Are Not Being Used

Figure 10. Gap in the use and importance of KPIs

Yes responses and Very important and essential responses presented







Most Are Not Accurately Measuring Cyber Risk

Figure 9.

How accurate is your

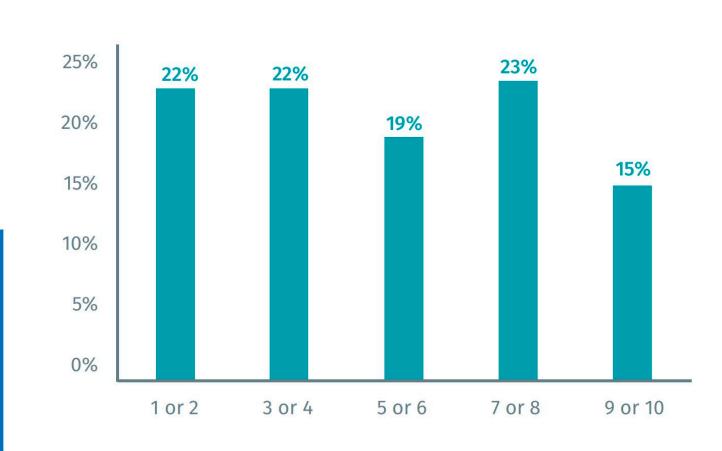
organization in measuring the business costs of cyber risk?

On a scale of 1 = not accurate to 10 = very accurate

As shown in Figure 9, only

38%

of respondents believe their measures are very accurate (23 percent + 15 percent)



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A Better Way



Deal With Vulnerability Overload

16,500

70/o
of vulnerabilities had an exploit available

63%
of vulnerabilities discovered in environments are CVSS 7+

VULNERABILITIES DISCLOSED IN 2018

12%
of vulnerabilities disclosed in 2018
were CVSS 9+



If Everything Is Important – Nothing Is

CVSS SCOREs 59% - CRITICAL/HIGH





CVSS - shortcomings

"CVSS is designed to identify the technical severity of a vulnerability. What people seem to want know, instead, is the risk a vulnerability or flaw poses to them, or how quickly they should respond to a vulnerability."



TOWARDS IMPROVING CVSS

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INSTITUTE | CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY

December 2018



Needles In The Haystack

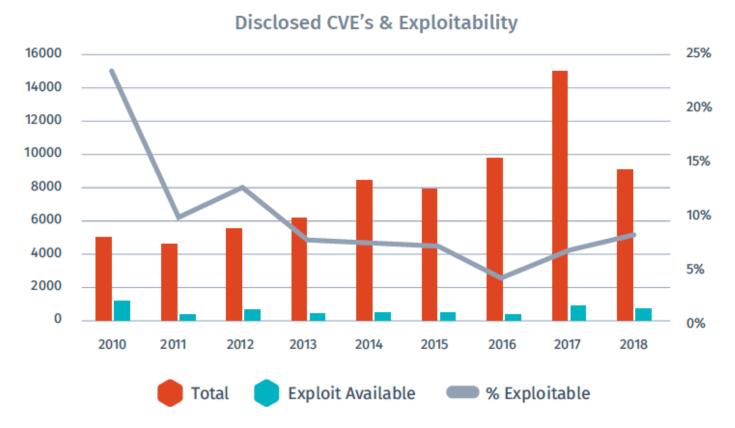
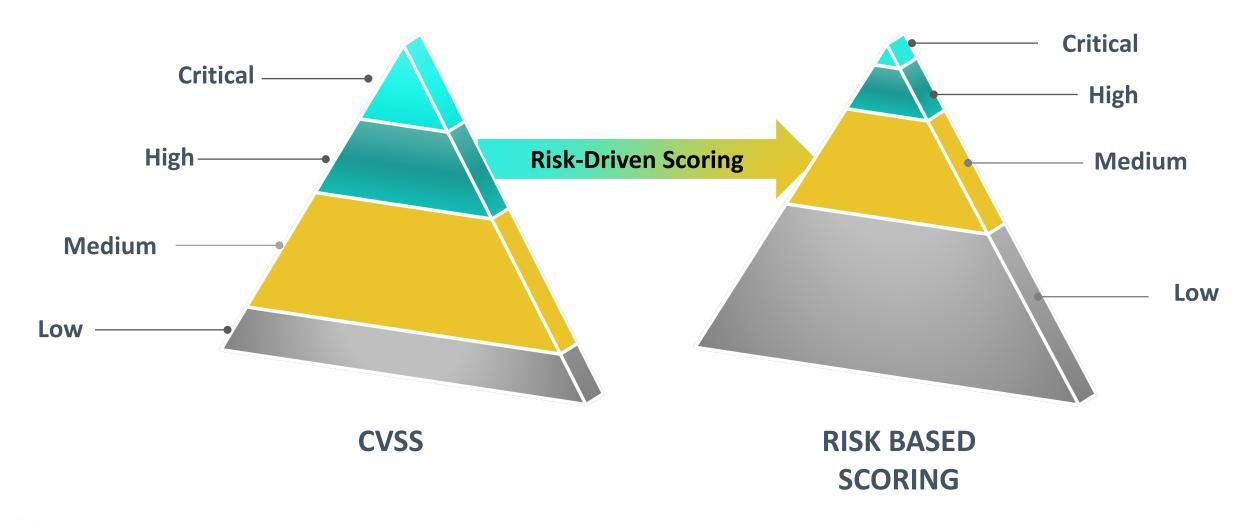


Figure 3. Total CVEs vs. exploitable CVEs

- Approximately 1,500 exploitable vulnerabilities were published in 2018
- Just over 28 exploitable vulnerabilities every week.



Prioritization Is Critical





Reducing The Burden

Research Insights

Data science based analysis of over 100,000 vulnerabilities to differentiate between the real and theoretical risks vulnerabilities pose

Vulnerability Score

The criticality, ease of exploit and attack vectors associate with the flaw.

Threat Intelligence

Insight into which vulnerabilities are actively being exploited by both targeted and opportunistic threat actors.

PREDICTIVE PRIORITIZATION

97%

Reduction in vulnerabilities to be remediated with the same impact to the attack surface



Modeling: Predictive Prioritization

150 different aspects in 7 feature groups:

- Past threat pattern
- CVSS
- NVD

- Past hostility
 - Vulnerable software
- Exploit code
- Past threat source

Over 109,000 vulnerabilities tracked Probability of exploit tracked for 28 days

Updated daily





CVSS TO VPR: MORE LOW/MEDIUM - FEWER HIGH/CRITICAL

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Scans -

Reporting

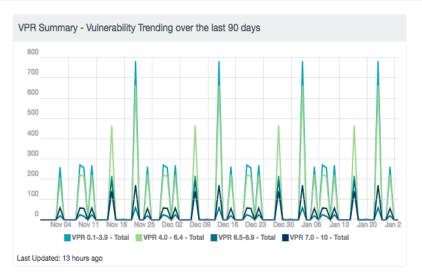
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Workflow

Users ▼

VPR Summary - First Discovered Vulnerabilities

VPR Summary



VPR Summary - Outstanding Patches by Pl	ugin Family (VPR 7.0 - 10)		
Family	Low	Medium	High	Critical
Windows	0	166	796	223
Windows : Microsoft Bulletins	0	34	1203	20
Misc.	0	24	16	24
CentOS Local Security Checks	0	9	30	10
SuSE Local Security Checks	0	4	11	7
Last Updated: 13 hours ago				

	Low (VPR 0.0-3.9)	Medium (VPR 4.0-6.4)	High (VPR 6.5-6.9)	Critical (VPR 7.0-10)
CVSSv3 Low (0-3.9)	67	142	0	0
CVSSv3 Medium (4.0 - 6.9)	615	278	32	8
CVSSv3 High (7.0 - 8.9)	511	3800	1462	660
CVSSv3 Critical (9.0 - 10)	14	524	446	264

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	Low (VPR 0.0-3.9)	Medium (VPR 4.0-6.4)	High (VPR 6.5-6.9)	Critical (VPR 7.0-10)
Current Month	7497	11599	2927	2347
Last Month	380	724	222	156
Current Quarter	7497	11599	2927	2347
Last Quarter	603	879	224	179
> 180 Days	0	0	0	0

	Low (VPR 0.0-3.9)	Medium (VPR 4.0-6.4)	High (VPR 6.5-6.9)	Critical (VPR 7.0-10)
Current Month	95	136	30	11
Last Month	0	0	1	0
Current Quarter	95	136	30	11
Last Quarter	52	27	1	12
> 180 Days	0	0	0	0



Switch Dashboard -

Options

Apply What We've Discussed

- Next week you should:
 - Begin developing a plan to reduce your Cyber Exposure
- In the first three months following this presentation you should:
 - Identify all your assets, including IT & OT
 - Prioritize vulnerabilities in a predictive manner
- Within six months you should:
 - Identify your critical assets
 - Measure & benchmark your cyber risks internally & externally



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