



Welcome

RISK MANAGEMENT FOR MANAGERS

What does this class cover?

- What is risk?
- What happens when risk management fails?
- What can you do with risk?
- How do you calculate risk?

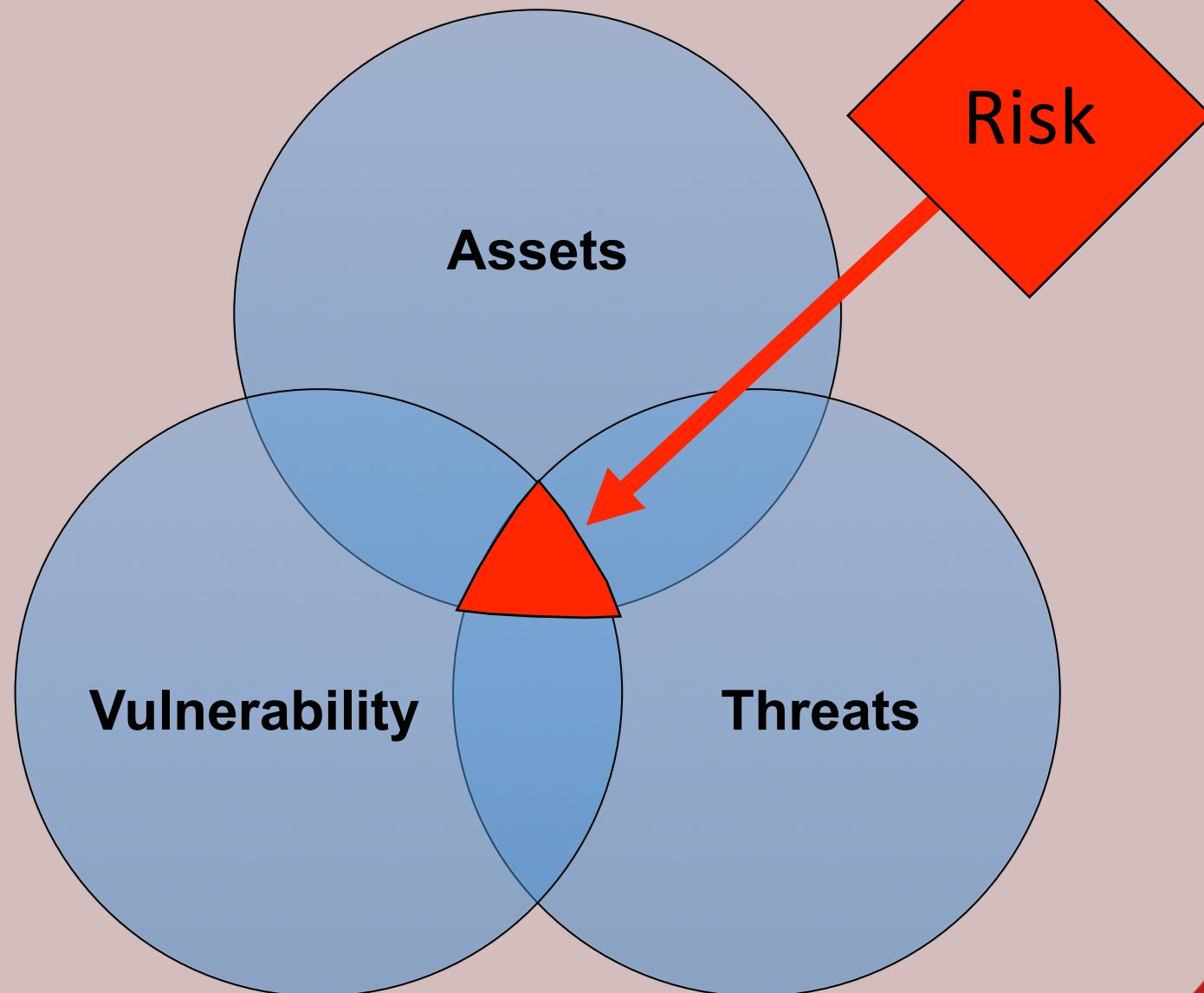




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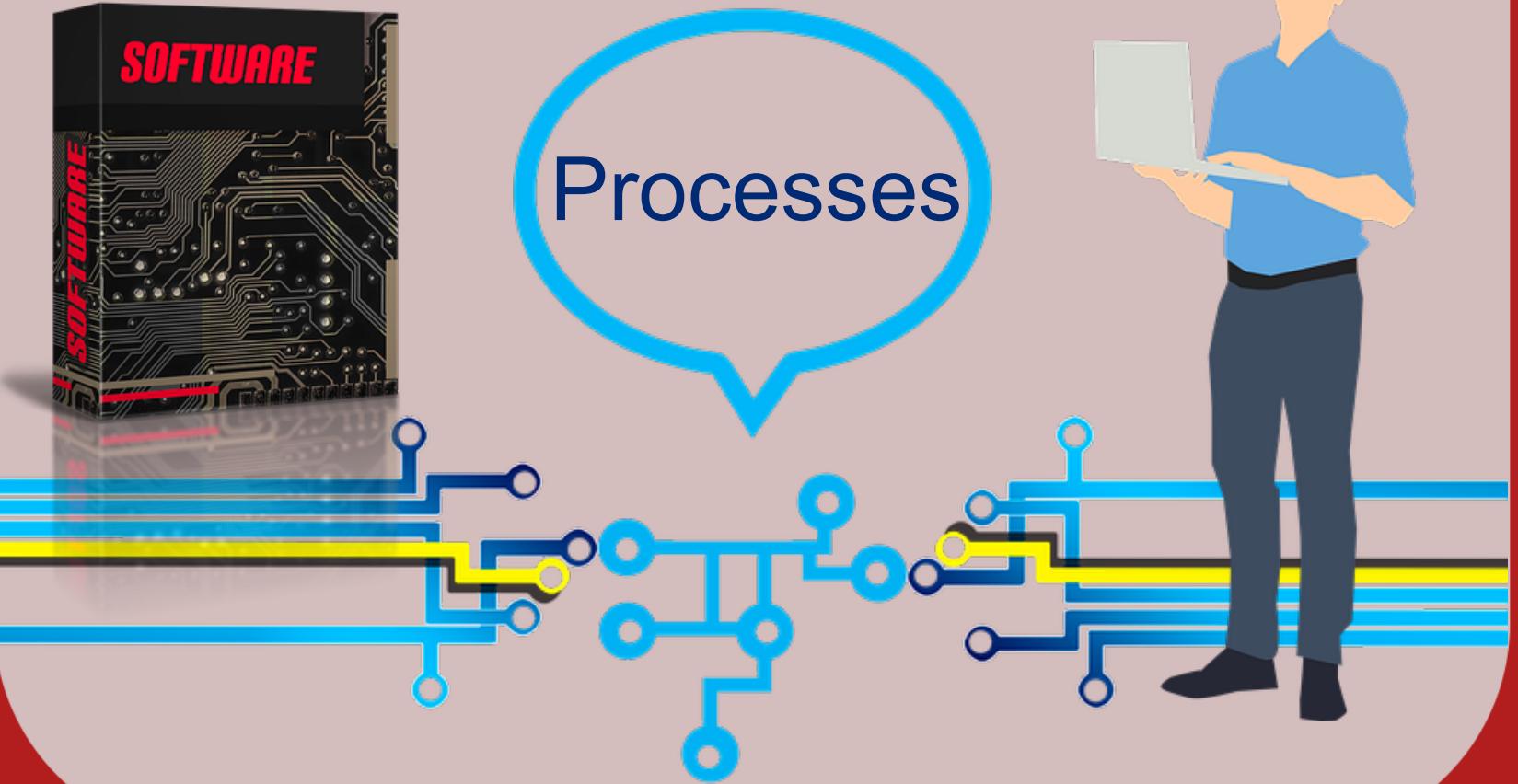
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Vulnerabilities

Any weakness in the system design, implementation, software code, or lack of preventative mechanisms



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Threats

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- Cybersecurity and IT professionals cannot control threats in their platforms
- Can only manage and mitigate them
- Threats are external factors



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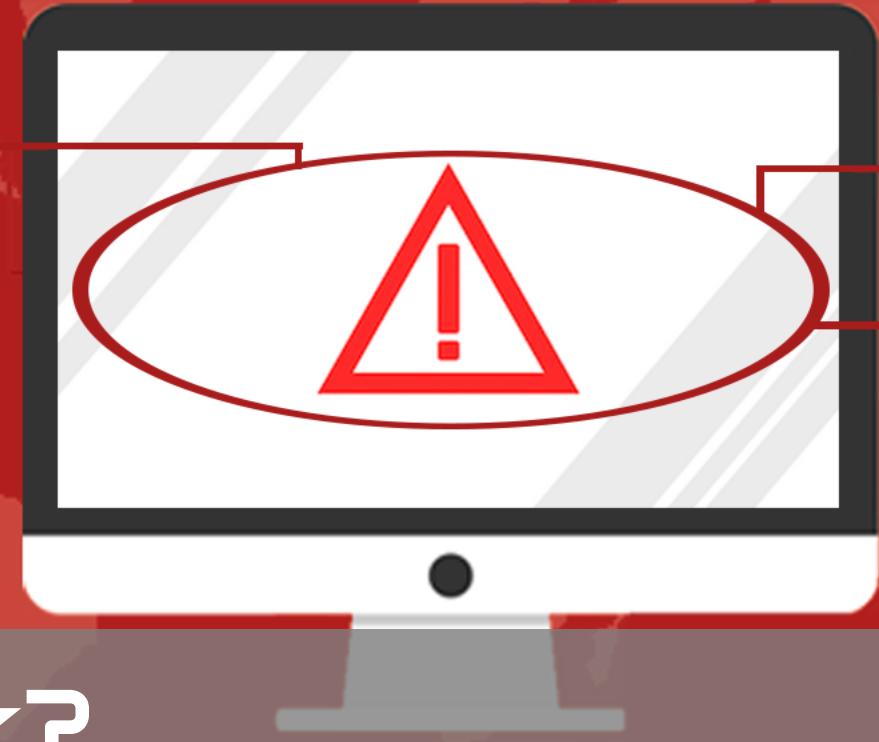
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Types of Risk

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Strategic Risk

- Resulting directly from operating within a specific industry at a specific time
- Shifts in consumer preference or new technologies can make your product lines obsolete
- Counteract by putting mitigations in place to detect change early



Compliance Risk

- Legislative laws and bureaucratic regulations are another form of risk for our organizations
- Compliance is required with laws, but also introduces risks to the organization



Financial Risk

- How does your organization handle money?
- How do you allow your customers to pay you?
- Do you extend credit to them?
- Also takes into account interest rates and foreign exchange rates



Operational Risks

- Results from internal failures from internal processes, people, or systems
- Can result from unforeseen external events like power outage or cyber attack



Reputational Risk

- Loss of a company's reputation or community standing from product failures, lawsuits, or negative publicity
- Reputations take a long time to build, only a day to lose...



Other Risks

- Much more difficult to categorize
- Environmental
 - Natural Disasters
- Employee Management
 - Maintaining a trained staff with up-to-date skills
- Political Instability
 - Change in laws and regulations





Types of Threats

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Adversarial Threats

- Consider their capability, intent, and likelihood
- Examples:
 - Trusted insiders
 - Competitors
 - Suppliers
 - Customers
 - Business partners
 - Nation states



Accidental Threats

- Occurs when someone makes a mistake that hurts the security of the system
- Example:
 - System administrator accidentally takes servers offline causing loss of availability



Structural Threats

- Occurs when equipment, software, or environmental controls fail
- Example:
 - IT server fails due to hard drive failure
 - Servers fail due to overheating (HVAC fail)
 - Software failure (OS bug or crash)



Environmental Threats

- Occurs when natural or man-made disasters occur
- Example:
 - Fires
 - Flooding
 - Severe storms
 - Loss of power from the city power grid
 - Fiber or telecommunication lines cut



Always Remember...

- Threats come from both external and internal sources, but most risk assessors think of internal sources first...
- We aren't just worried about hackers, but also the trusted insider...
- As you design security controls, don't forget to think about disgruntled employees, inept administrators, or the insider threat!





Types of Threats

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When Risk Management Fails?

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When Risk Management Fails...

AMAZON CLOUD COMPUTING

Amazon's massive AWS outage was caused by human error

One incorrect command and the whole internet suffers.

By Jason Del Rey | @DelRey | Mar 2, 2017, 2:20pm EST

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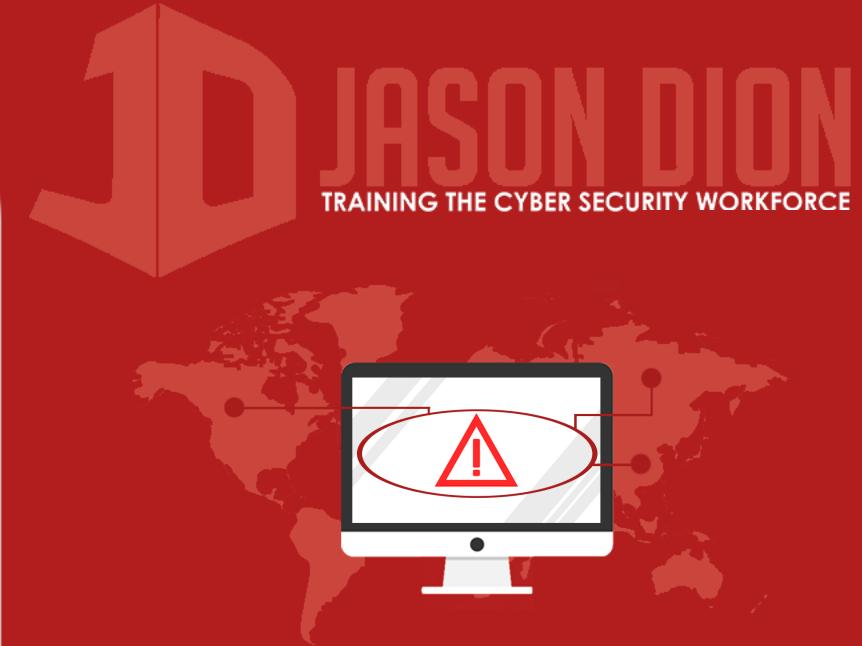
When Risk Management Fails...

- Amazon Web Services (Feb 28, 2017)
- 100s of websites were taken offline
- Technician utilized a SOP to take a small number of servers offline, but input the command incorrectly
- It took down the entire US-EAST-1 region!



When Risk Management Fails...

- Employees were debugging an issue with the billing system and accidentally took more servers offline than intended
- The error started a domino effect that took down two other server subsystems



Accidental Threats

- Removing a significant portion of the capacity caused each of these systems to require a full restart
- While the subsystems were restarted, S3 was unable to service requests
- Other AWS services in the US-EAST-1 Region that rely on S3 for storage, including the S3 console, EC2, EBS, and Lambda were impacted



What Concepts Are Illustrated?

- Accidental threat
 - Someone made a mistake hurting the system
- Employee Risk Management
 - Maintaining a trained staff with up-to-date skills
- Operational Risk
 - Internal failure from internal processes and people





When Risk Management Fails?

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What Can You Do With Risk?

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Management's Responsibility

Cybersecurity and IT managers minimize risk to the organization by choosing the appropriate controls



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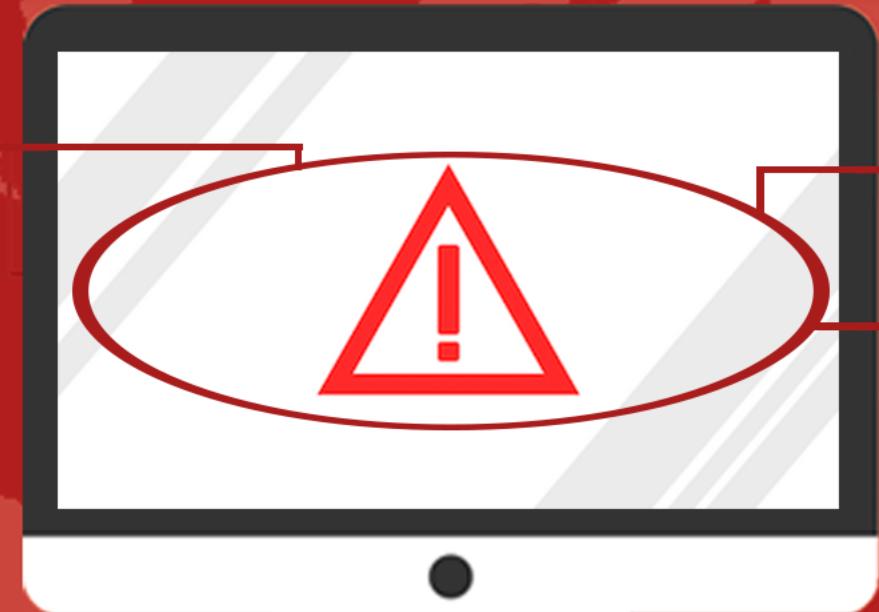
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Risk Acceptance





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Risk Mitigation

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- Our goal is not necessarily to eliminate all risks...
- By adding risk controls, we can mitigate the risk down to an acceptable level



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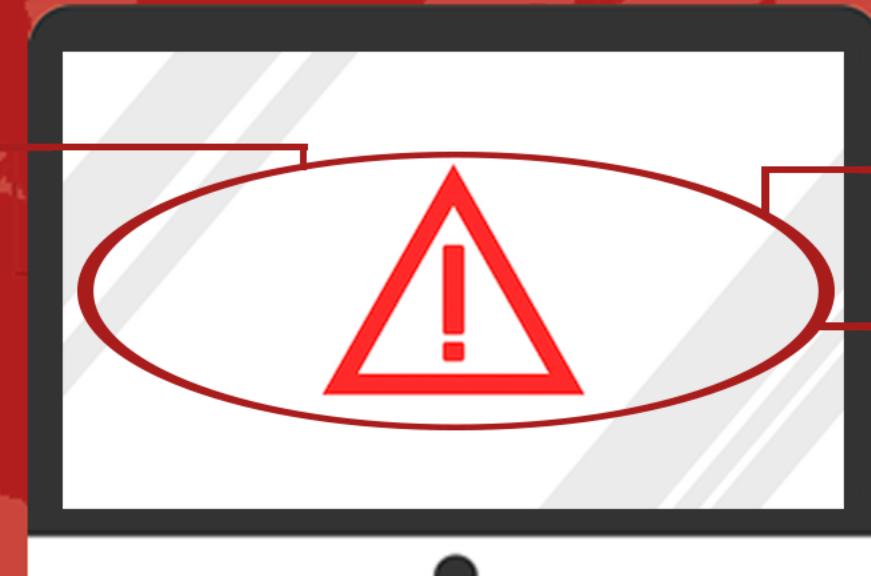
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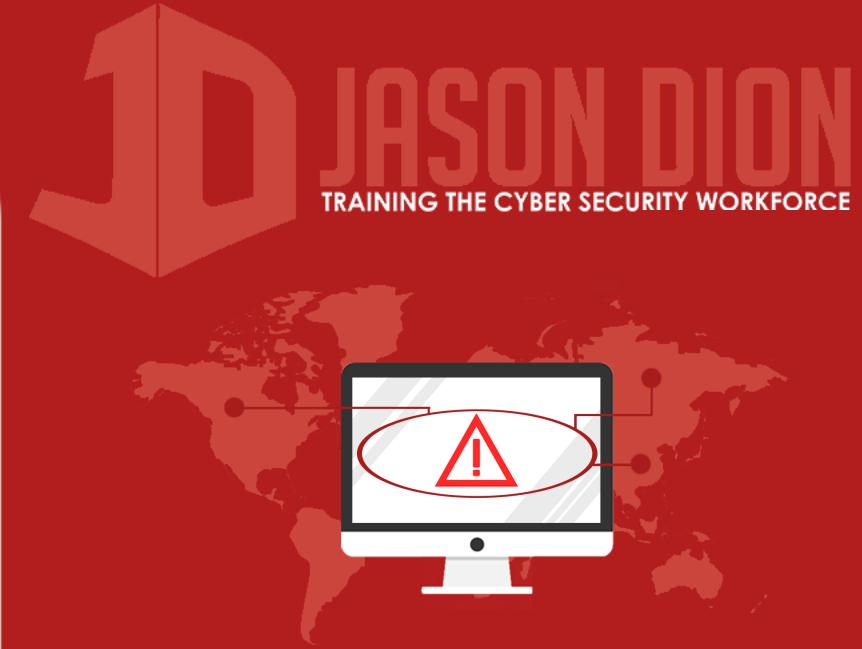
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Risk TransFerence

- If the organization cannot afford to accept, avoid, or mitigate the risk, they can transfer the risk to another business

Example:

- If the organization is concerned that it would be too costly to recover from a flood, they can purchase flood insurance





Risk Transference

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Risk Avoidance

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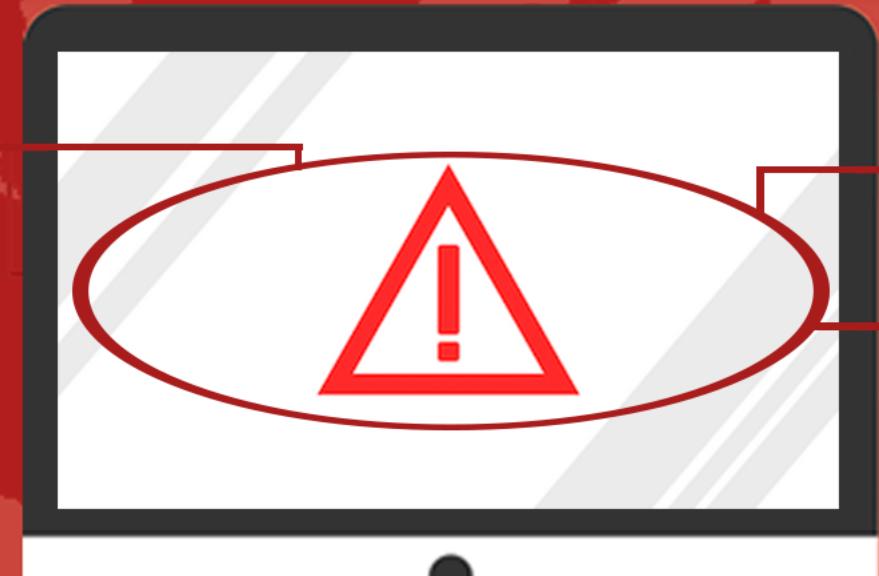
Risk Avoidance

- Risk is too high to accept, so the system configuration or design is changed to avoid the risk associated with a specific vulnerability

Example:

- Utilizing Windows XP is too dangerous, so we install Windows 10 instead to avoid the risk of an unsupported operating system





Risk Avoidance

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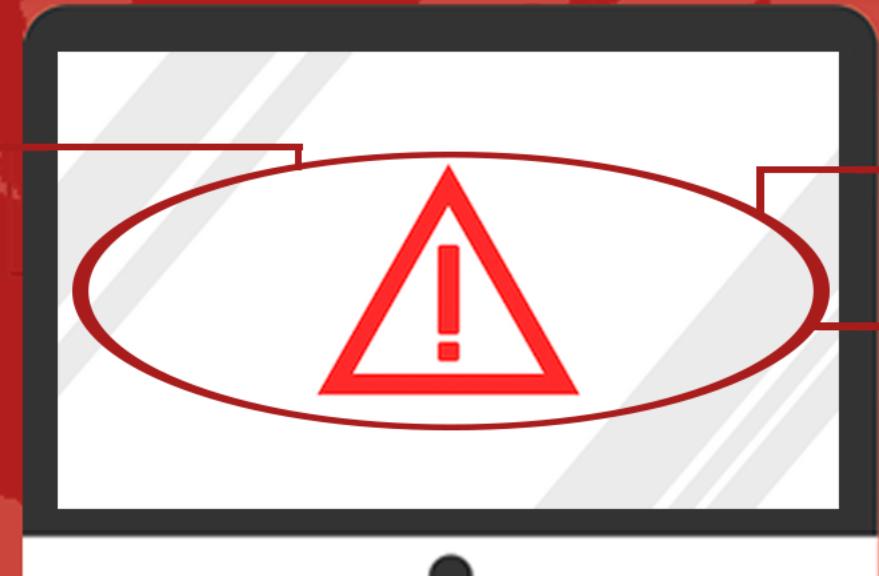
Risk Acceptance

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Risk Acceptance

- Organization accepts the risk associated with a system's vulnerabilities and their associated risks
- Risk acceptance is common when the risk is low enough to not apply countermeasures, or adequate countermeasures have already been applied





Risk Acceptance

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Risk Controls

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Risk Controls

- Technical controls
- Operational controls



Technical Controls

- Systems, devices, software, and settings used to enforce CIA requirements
- Examples
 - Using firewalls, IDS, and IPS
 - Installing antivirus and endpoint security



Operational Controls

- Practices and procedures to increase security
- Examples
 - Conducting penetration tests
 - Utilizing standard operating procedures





Risk Controls

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Calculating Risk

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Calculating Risk

- Senior executives are always looking to compare one risk against another in order to make the best resourcing decisions
- Should I fix this vulnerability or those multiple vulnerabilities?
- We need to have a way to compare...



Apples & Oranges



Measuring Risk

Qualitative is subjective

Quantitative is countable



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Calculating Risk

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Qualitative Risk Measurement

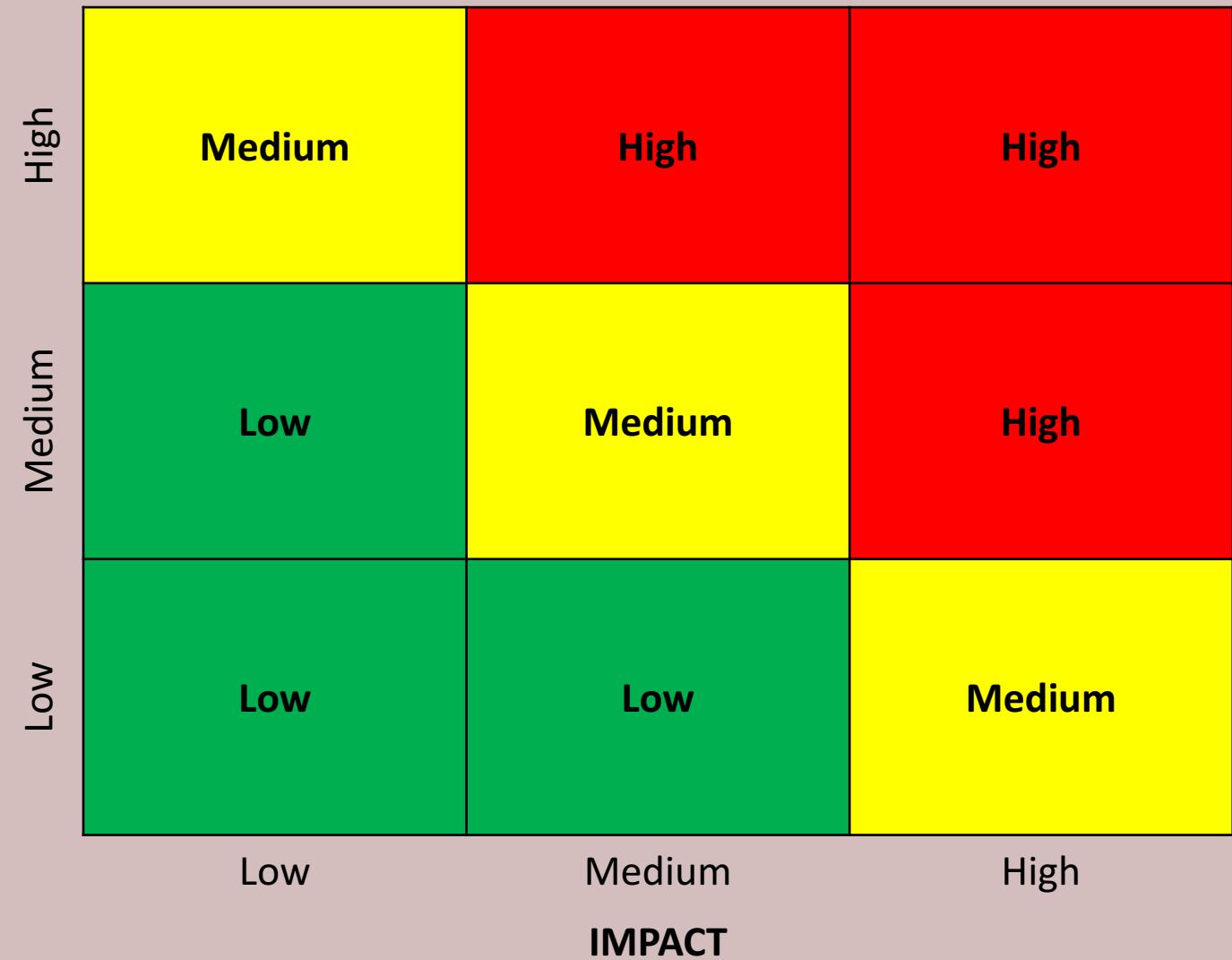
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Qualitative Risk

- Used when there isn't any precise values
- Measures the probability of occurrence and the impact if it occurred
- Subjective in nature
- Most commonly used with a risk matrix



Qualitative Example

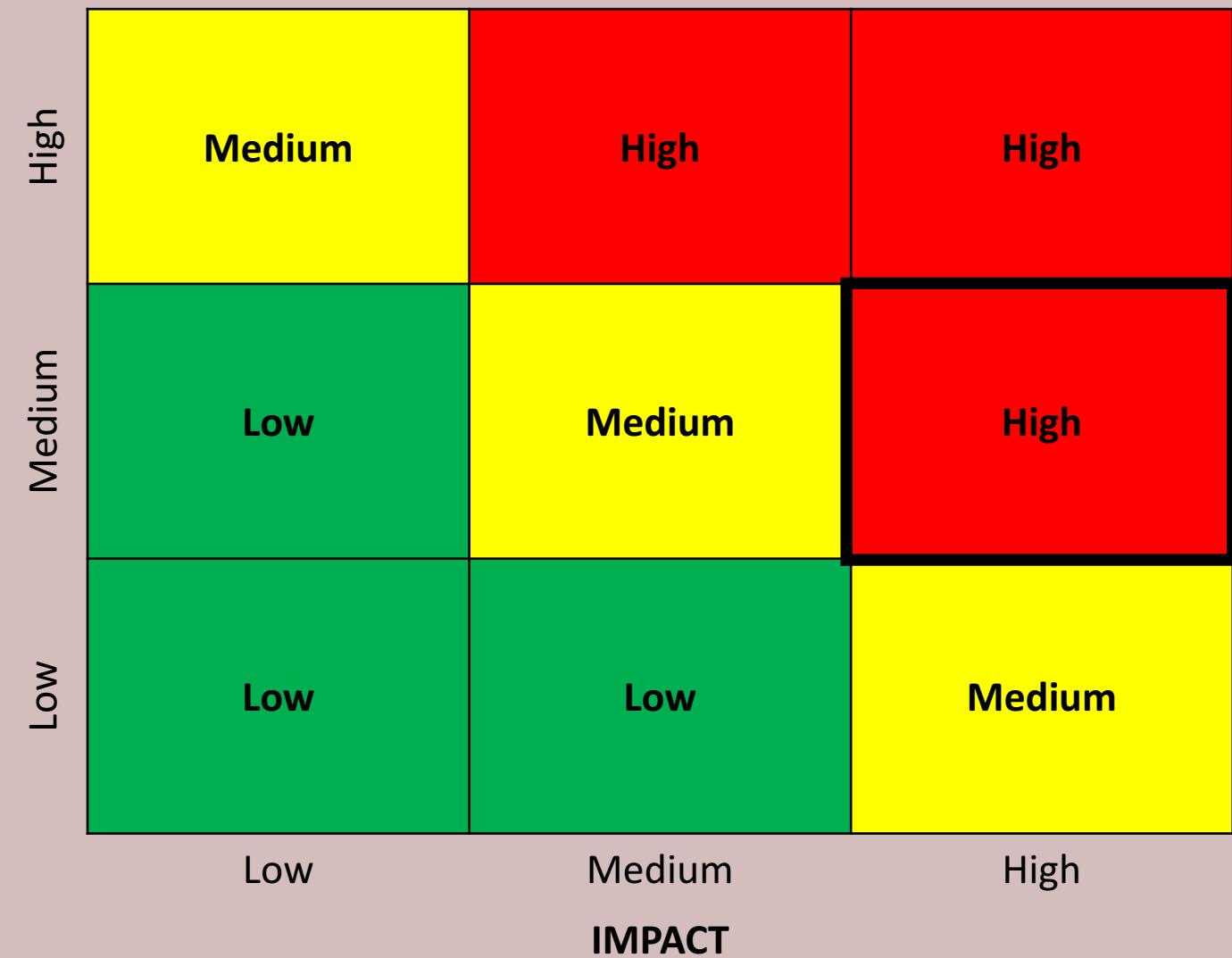


Qualitative Risk Example

- Considering allowing a BYOD policy
- You will save \$\$\$ on buying devices
- But, inherit the risk of employee devices
- What is the risk associated with a cyber attack caused by your BYOD policy?



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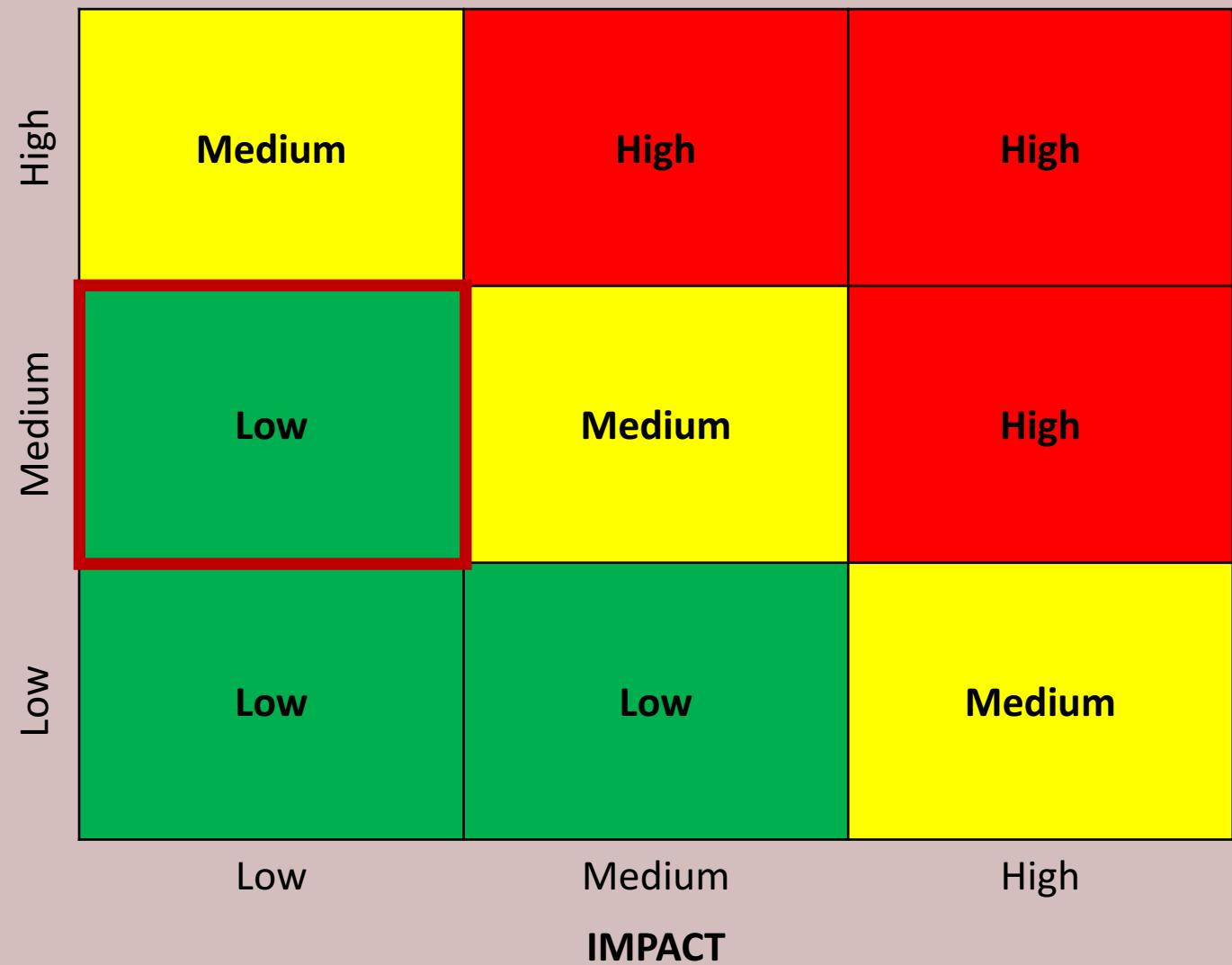


Qualitative Risk Example

- You purchased data breach insurance
- Insurance transfers risk of loss
- But, can't transfer the negative affects to your reputation if a breach occurs...
- What is the risk to your reputation if a data breach occurred?



Qualitative Example





Quantitative Risk Measurement

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Quantitative

- Seeks to numerically assess the risk
- Known as Probabilistic Risk Analysis
- Measures the probability of occurrence and the impact if it occurred
- Describes the consequences in dollars, time, lives lost, or other metrics



Single Loss Expectancy

SLE =
Asset Value X Exposure Factor

- Exposure Factor (EF) is the percentage of an asset lost during an event
- EF is 1.0 is the asset loses all value



Annual Loss Expectancy

- Common calculation to determine the cost associated with a particular risk
- Used by executives in determining when to mitigate, transfer, avoid, or accept the risk

ALE = Cost X Occurrences

If a risk would be actualized 3 times a year, then **Occurrences** equals 3.0.
If a risk would be actualized once every 3 years, then **Occurrences** equals 0.33.



Quantitative Example

- Assume that an organization will suffer one (1) data breach every three (3) years
- Chief Security Officer suggests budgeting \$524k annual to provides data security protections
- Each breach is estimated to cost your organization \$103k
- Should you authorize the budget?



Annual Loss Expectancy

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Quantitative Example

- Assume that an organization will suffer three (3) data breach every year
- Chief Security Officer suggests budgeting \$214k annual to provides data security protections
- Each breach is estimated to cost your organization \$103k
- Should you authorize the budget?



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8+ months @ \$103k to equal \$214k

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Case Study (Equifax)

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Equifax Data Breach

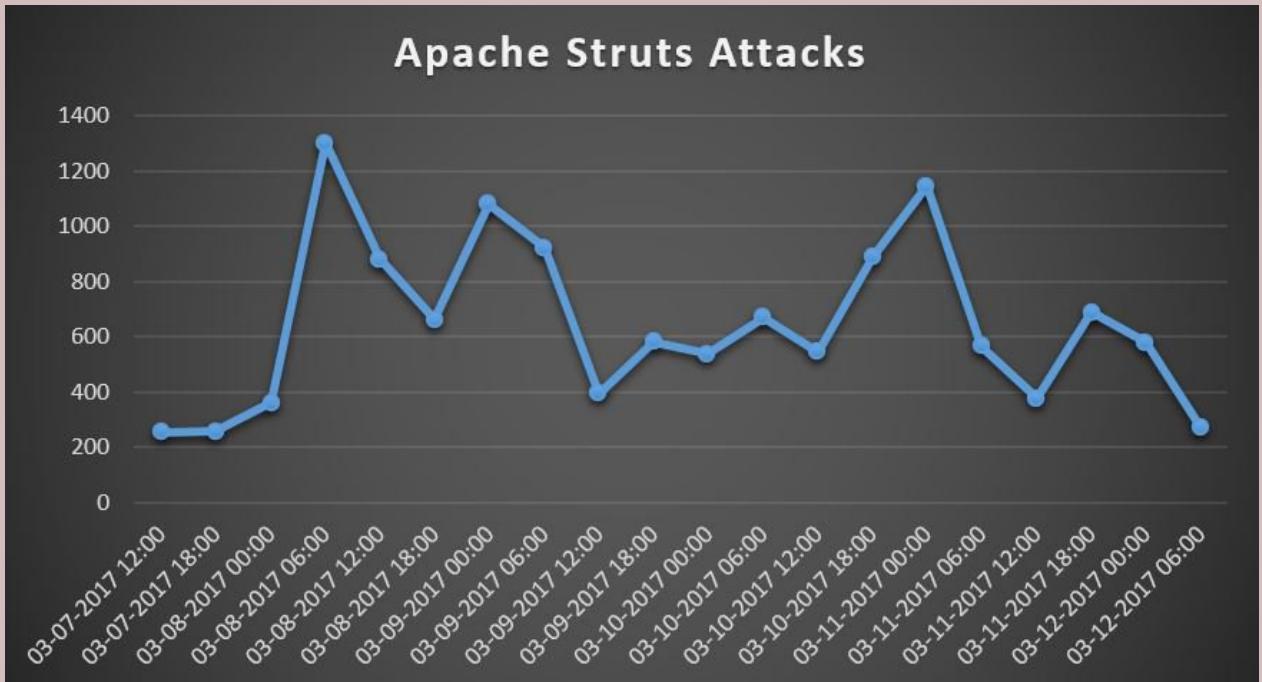
- 145 million Equifax customers affected
- Data breach occurred in July 2017
- Attackers used a vulnerability in Apache Struts

Struts



CVE-2017-5638 (Release 3/6/17)

- Apache Struts 2 framework vulnerability
- Over the first 6 days of the vulnerability being discovered, thousands of attacks



How to Mitigate Vulnerability?

- Upgrade Apache Struts to either version 2.3.32 or 2.5.10.1, or a different multipart parser
- Requires rewriting, retesting, and redeploying their code
- Assumed cost:
\$3.5 million (man-hours & downtime)



What's At Risk?

- Social Security Numbers
- Date of Birth
- Names
- Addresses

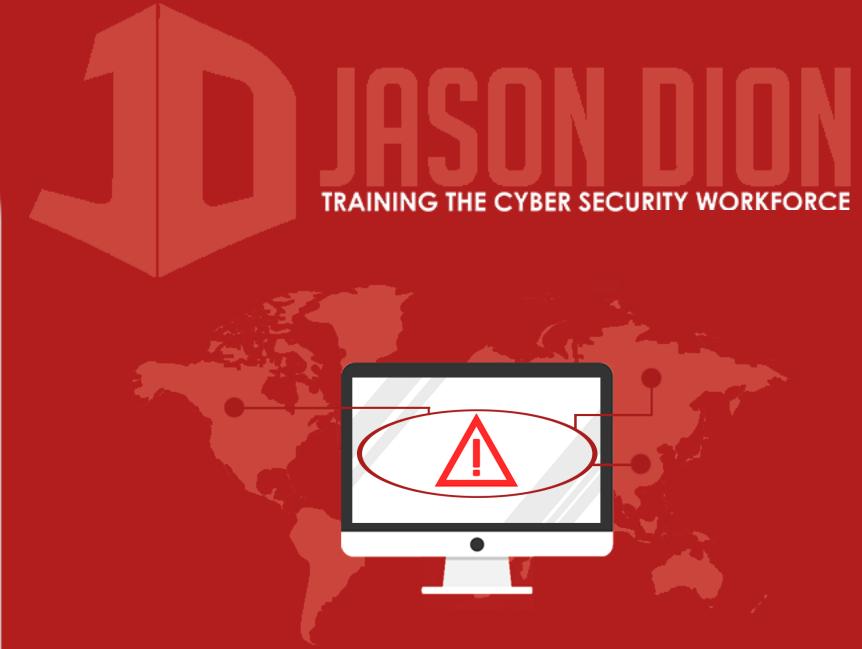


How Much Is Security Worth?



In FY17-Q3, Equifax spent...

- Security Products (\$55.5 million)
- Consulting Fee (\$17.1 million)
- Consumer Support (\$14.9 million)
- Estimate additional costs still coming (\$56 million to \$110 million)





Conclusion

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