

# Cyber Security Management

## Lesson Introduction

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- Understand **organizational context** for cyber security
  - Understand the **people, process and technology dimensions** of cyber security management
  - Assessing **cyber risk and its relationship** to security management
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# Managing Security



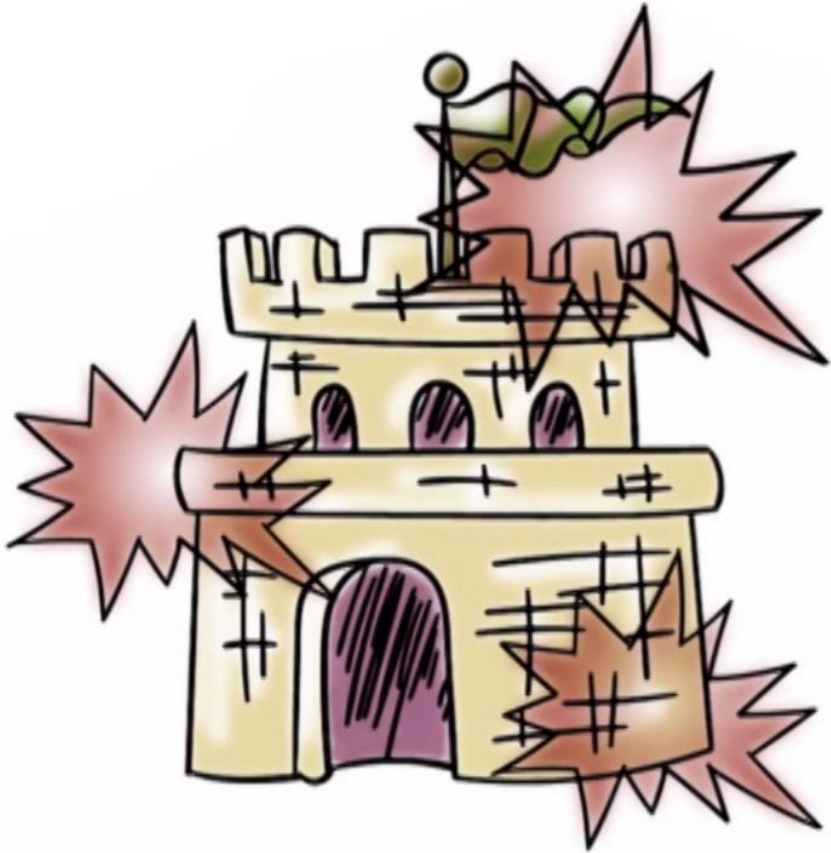
- **Technical controls** (authentication, access control etc.) are used to reduce the risk of attacks on valuable assets.
- **What assets need to be secured and from whom?**

# Organizational Context



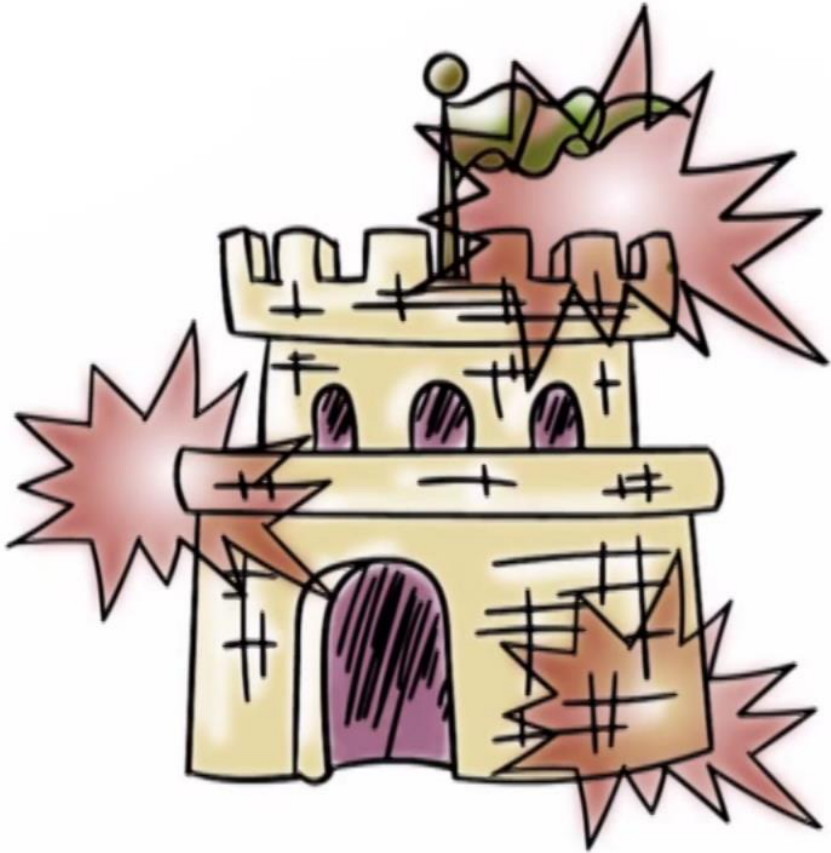
- Legal and compliance drivers for cyber security
  - Financial and health data
- What technical controls should be deployed?
  - Must understand risks posed by threats
  - Costs and benefits of security measures

# Key Challenges



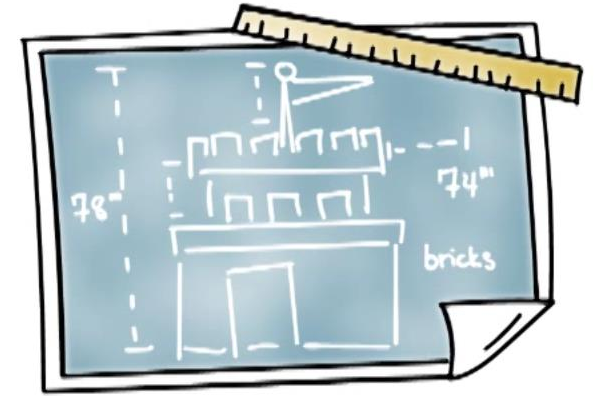
- What assets are under risk?
- What are the threats and how serious is the risk posed by them?
- Likelihood of successful attack and its impact

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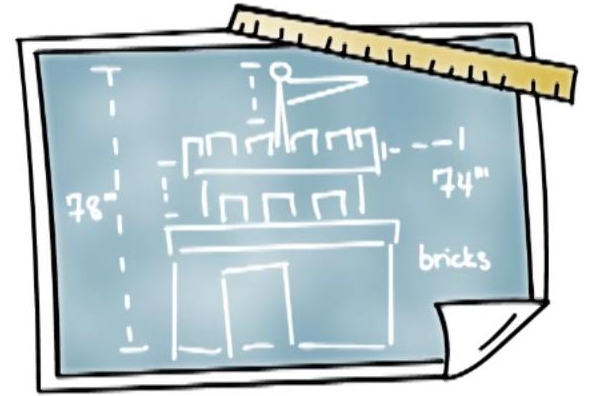
- What technological solutions/controls exist to counter threats?
- How can we address risk in a cost-effective manner?
  - Cost is less than reduction in risk
- How do we understand people and process aspects of cyber security management?

# Security Planning



- What needs to be secured?
- Who is responsible for it?
- What technical/non-technical controls should be deployed?
- How are people supported to do what they need to do?
- What if something goes wrong?
  - Response and recovery
  - Accountability and consequences

# Assets and Threats



- What Needs to be Secured?

- Hardware, software and services

- Servers, routers, switches, laptops and mobile devices
    - OS, databases, services and applications
    - Data stored in databases or files

- From whom?

- Remote hackers?
    - Insiders?

# Security Planning: Controls

- **Identity and access management (IAM)**
  - Credentialing, account creation and deletion
  - Password policies
- **Network and host defenses**
  - Firewalls, IDS, IPS
  - Anti-virus
- **VPN and BYOD**
- Vulnerability patching
- **User awareness and education**
  - Phishing attack awareness (Phishme)



# Security Planning: Security Policy

- High level articulation of security objectives and goals
  - Legal, business or regulatory rationale
  - Do's and don'ts for users
    - Password length
    - Web and email policies
    - Response to security events
  - Address prevention, detection, response and remediation as it concerns/impacts users

# Georgia Tech Computer and Network Use Policy



- **States guiding principles**

- Protect GT IT resources
- Ensure no state or federal laws are violated

- **Some interesting highlights**

- Copyright and IP
- Export control

- **Who is responsible?**

- **Network** – Office of Information Technology
- **Devices** – Units or individual

# Cyber Risk Assessment



- Investments in cyber security are driven by risk and how certain controls may reduce it
- Some risk will always remain
- How can risk be assessed?

# Quantifying Cyber Risk



Risk exposure = Prob. [Adverse security event] \* Impact [adverse event]

$$\text{Risk Leverage} = \frac{\text{Risk exposure before/without a certain control} - \text{Risk exposure after the control}}{\text{Cost of control}}$$

Risk leverage > 1 for the control to make sense

# Managing Cyber Risk



How do we assess and reduce cyber risk?

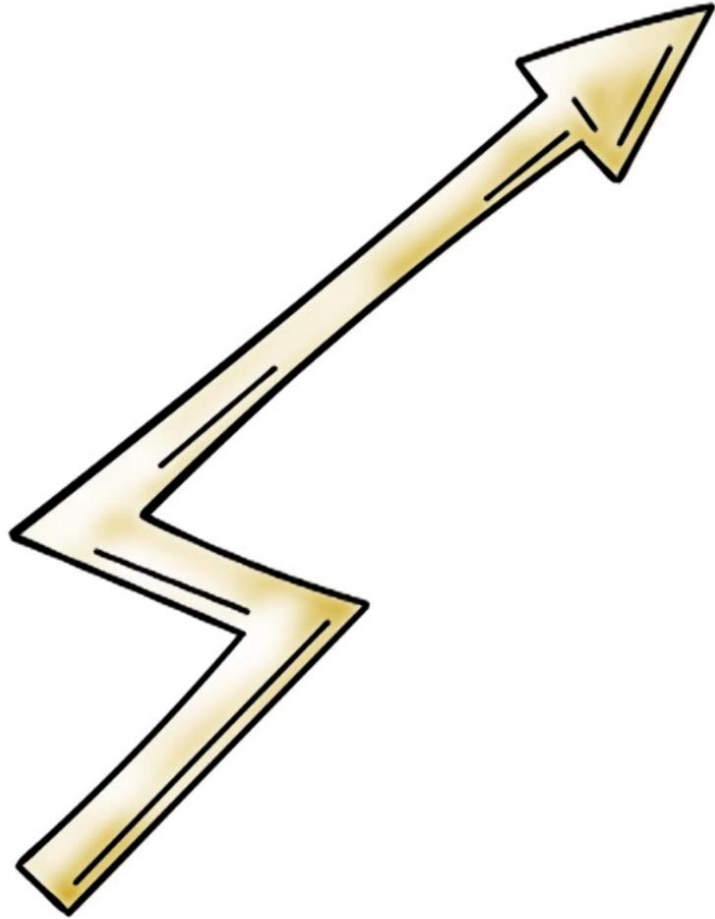
- **Impact**

- Expected loss (reputational, recovery and response, legal, loss of business etc.)

- **Risk management**

- Accept, transfer (insurance) and reduce
- Reduction via technology solutions, education and awareness training

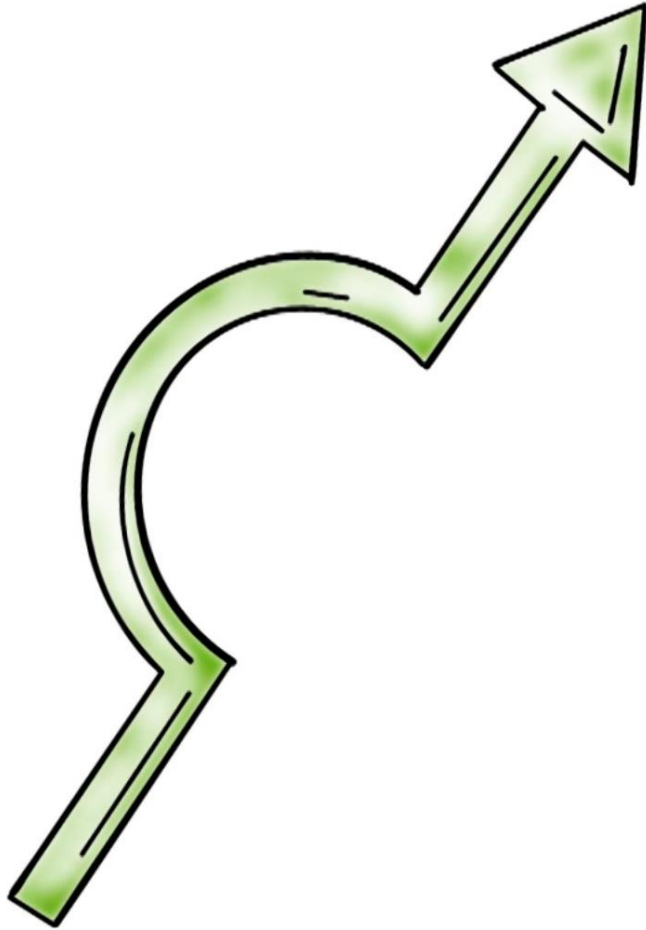
# Enterprise Cyber Security Posture



- **Reactive:**

- Regulation/compliance
- Customer demands
- In response to a breach  
(Target or Home Depot)
- In response to events

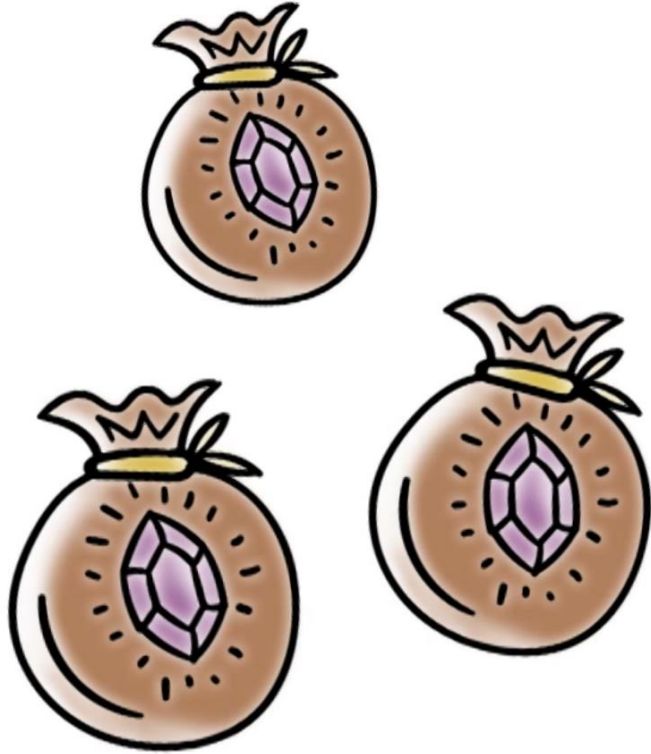
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- **Proactive:**

- Champion of an organization who has influence
- Board level conversation about cyber security and risk

# Enterprise Cyber Security Posture



- **Economic value argument:**

- Return on investment (RoI)
- Estimating costs and benefits is tricky
- Perception vs. data-driven risk



# Security Planning and Management

- **Values at risk**
  - Assets, reputation etc.
- **Threats and attack vectors**
- **Plan, implement and manage**
  - Deploy appropriate controls
  - Empower people and hold them responsible
  - Plan for response and remediation (do not be surprised)
  - User awareness
- **Understand and proactively address risk**

Bringing It All Together!

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## Lesson Summary

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- Managing cyber security is a **complex process that involves technology, people and processes**
  - Organizational context and **cost/benefit analysis is necessary** for security controls
  - **Risk based argument** for cyber security
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