



# Physical Security Description

- **To address the threats, vulnerabilities, and countermeasures**
  - Which can be utilized to physically protect an enterprise's resources and sensitive information
  - Including people, facilities, data, equipment, support systems, media, and supplies
- **To discuss considerations for choosing**
  - A secure site, its design and configuration
  - The methods for securing the facility against unauthorized access, theft of equipment and information
  - The environmental and safety measures needed to protect people, the facility, and its resources



# Physical Security Threats

- **Natural / environmental**

- Earthquakes, Rain, Floods, Mudslides
- Tornados, Hurricanes, Tsunami
- Insect Damage, Materials Degradation
- Heat, Humidity, Moisture

- **Supply systems**

- Communication Outages
- Power Distribution
- Bursting Pipes
- Gas Leaks



# Physical Security Threats

- **Man-made**

- Sabotage / Fraud
- Mistakes, Disgruntled Workers
- Chemical Spills, Explosions
- Construction Failures / Building Collapse

- **Political Events**

- Bombings, Terrorist Attacks, Civil Disturbances, Strikes, Espionage



# Designing a Physical Security Program

- **Deterrence**
  - Fences, warning signs, guards, dogs
- **Detection**
  - Intruder sensors, video surveillance
- **Delay tactics**
  - Locks, access controls
- **Situational Assessments**
  - Guard procedures, call trees
- **Response to intrusions/disruptions**
  - Response team/procedures, authorities



# Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED)

- **Physical Environment** of a building can be managed to produce behavioral effects that reduce the incidence of crime
- **Territoriality Reinforcement:** People protect territory that they feel they own and respect territory of others
- **Natural Surveillance:** Intruders do not want to be seen
- **Natural Access Control:** Properly located entrances, exits, and landscaping can control flow of people and help identify intruders



# Facility Planning

- **“Low visibility”**
  - Surrounding terrain
  - Building markings and signs
  - Neighborhood
- **Surrounding area and external entities**
  - Crime Rate
  - Proximity to Police/Fire/Medical
  - Possible hazards from surrounding areas



# Facility Planning

- **Accessibility**

- Road access
- Traffic
- Proximity to airports, train stations, and highways

- **Natural Disasters**

- Likelihood of floods, tornados, earthquakes, or hurricanes
- Hazardous terrain



# Data Center Cage Examples





# Data Center Wiring





# Personnel Access Controls

- **Facility**

- Turnstiles
- Man traps
- Guards

- **Identification**

- Photo IDs
- Magnetic ID cards
- Biometric devices
- CCTV
- IP Cameras

## Turnstiles



# Mantraps





# Personnel Access Controls

## ■ Proximity Readers

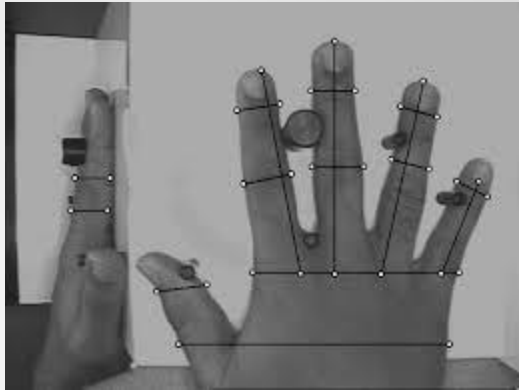
- User Activated – User swipes card, system lets person in
- System Sensing – Sensor can detect badges in proximity to sensor
- Two-factor (or multi-factor):
  - Proximity reader /numeric keypad
  - Hand geometry reader w/proximity or keypad or both

## ■ Card badge readers

- Transponders - Card and Reader have receiver, transmitter, and battery
- Passive Devices - Device is powered by reader



# Bio / 2-factor Access Controls



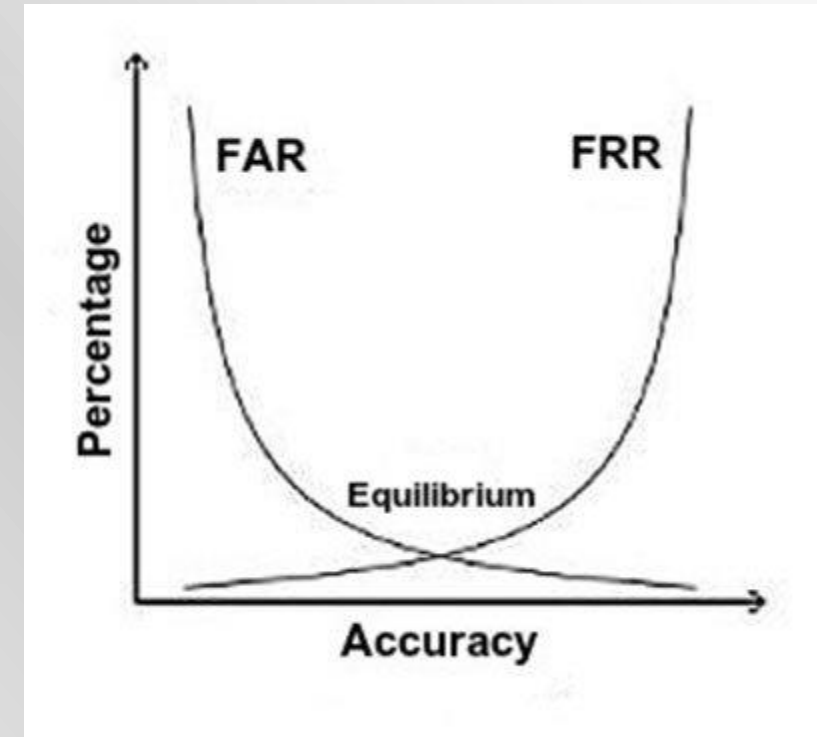
# Iris & Retina Scanning





# Biometric Accuracy

- **False Reject Rate (FRR)**
  - Type I error – rejects valid user
- **False Accept Rate (FAR)**
  - Type II error – allows invalid user
- **Crossover Error Rate (CER)**
  - Measurement between FRR and FAR
  - Lower CER means a more accurate biometric system





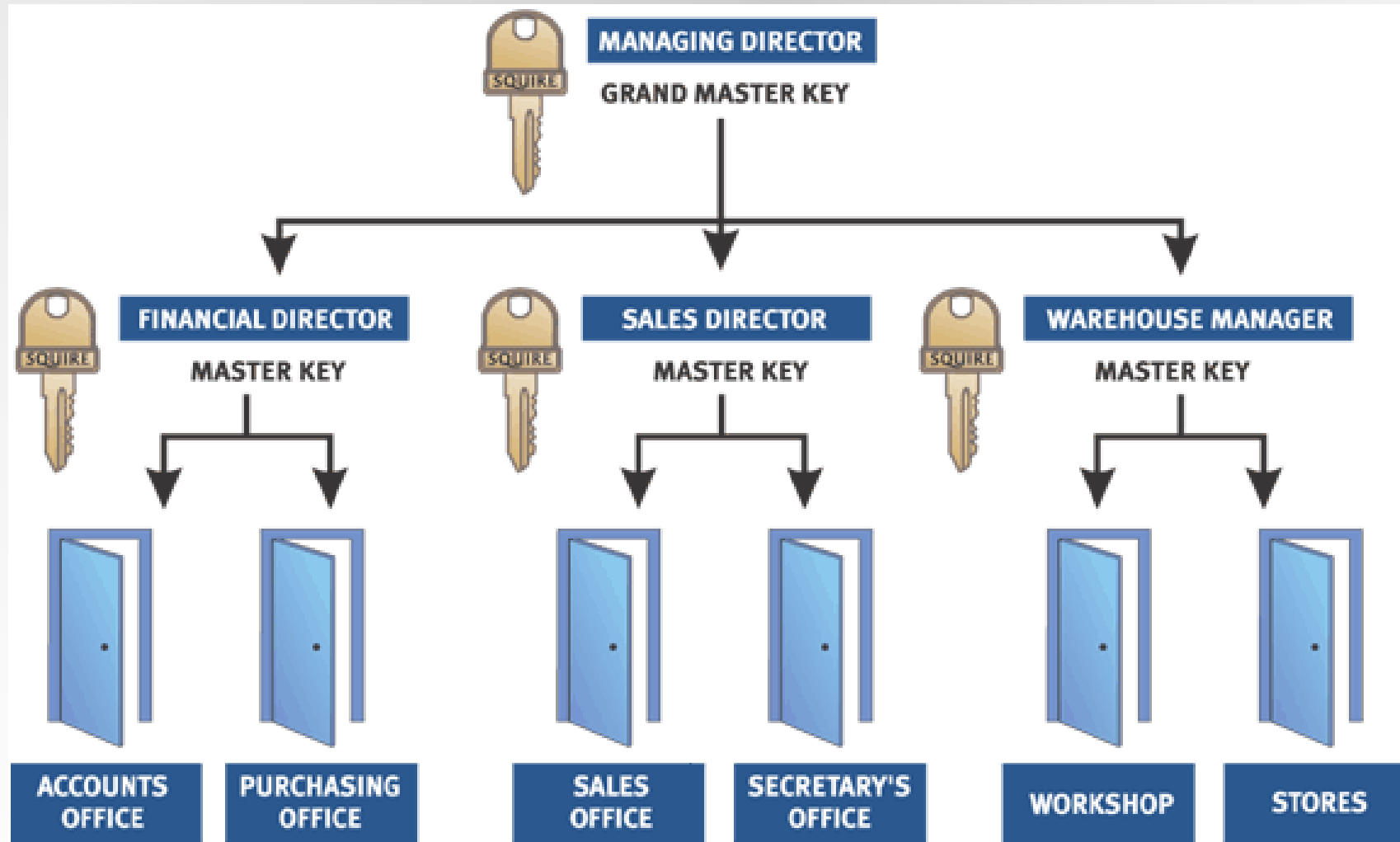
# Auditing Physical Access

- **Processes & Logs (lots and lots of logs!)**
  - Date/time
  - Location
  - ID(s) used
  - Access logs are a detective tool, not preventative!

# Cipher Locks (What's wrong with the picture on the right?)



# Master Keying





# External Boundary Protection

- **Fencing & other physical barriers**
- **Lighting**
- **Intrusion detection**
- **CCTV / IP Cameras**
- **Patrol Force**



# Fencing

- **Varying heights provide varying levels of protection**
  - 3 -4 ft /1meter (deters casual trespasser)
  - 6 -7 ft/2meters (too high to climb easily)
  - 8 ft/2.4meters + 3 strands of barbed wire (deter determined intruder)
- **Grades of Fence**
  - Wire gauge (lower number = larger, heavier wire)
  - Mesh size (2 in normal, 3/8 in is highest security)
  - Can be costly
  - May be unsightly, zoning considerations
- **Perimeter Intrusion Detection and Assessment System (PIDAS) can detect cutting or climbing**



# Fence Examples







# Other Physical Barriers

- **Landscaping**

- Shrubs can provide an alternative to fencing
- However tall trees can provide a shelter for intruders

- **Gates**

- A movable barrier
- Entrapment – Condition where an object could get caught that may result in injury

- **Bollards / Vehicle (Physical) Barriers**

- Heavy duty post to restrict vehicle traffic

# Physical Barriers / Bollards





# Other Vehicle Barriers





# 'K' rating Crash Test Certification

A 'K' rating is a Crash Test Certification issued by the Department of State (DoS) to a fence, gate, barrier or bollard indicating the perpendicular impact penetration of a vehicle of a specific weight at a specific speed. In other words, it measures the particular stopping power of a barrier in relation to the speed and weight of an incoming vehicle. The K-rating weight of the vehicle is standard at 15,000 lbs. These DoS standard barriers only allow the truck to penetrate no more than 36 inches past the bed.

- **K4 rating is for a vehicle traveling 30mph**
- **K8 rating is for a vehicle traveling 40mph**
- **K12 rating is for a vehicle traveling 50mph**



# Physical Intrusion Detection

- Intrusion detection/monitoring
- Optical/light beams
- Vibration sensors
- Closed circuit TV
- Motion detection
  - Infrared
  - Microwave



# Physical Intrusion Detection

- **Considerations:**

- Expensive to install and monitor
- Requires human response
- Practical if fence not possible
- Subject to nuisance alarms (false positives)
- Can be penetrated



# Video Surveillance





# Patrol Forces

- **Guards**

- Can provide flexible security & safety response
- Good deterrence
- May be effective for protecting group of buildings
- Costly

- **Guard Dogs**





# Types of Alarms

- **Deterrent:** Triggers deterrents such as locks, close doors, etc. – meant to contain or make further intrusion more difficult
- **Repellant:** Sound an audio device, turn on / flash lights, etc. – used to discourage intruders or attackers from continuing or force off premises
- **Notification:** Often silent, notifying others of the event, triggering recording (video, physical location, etc.) – used to bring authorities to the perpetrator in the hopes of catching them
- **Local System:** Broadcast an alarm up to 120db that can be heard up to 400ft away – used to notify security or guards who can respond (similar to repellant)
- **Central Station:** Usually silent locally, but alerting off-site agents who can respond – examples include Brinks, ADT, etc.
- **Auxiliary Station:** Automatic notification added to local or central station – used to alert emergency services such as police, fire, medical, etc. (could result in fees for false alarms)
- **Combined:** Two or more of the alarms can be incorporated in a single solution



# Power Terminology

- **Fault:** A momentary loss of power
- **Blackout:** A complete loss of power
- **Sag:** Momentary low voltage
- **Brownout:** Prolonged low voltage
- **Spike:** Momentary high voltage
- **Surge:** Prolonged high voltage
- **Inrush:** An initial surge of power usually associated with connecting to a power source, whether primary or alternative / secondary
- **Noise:** A steady interfering power disturbance or fluctuation
- **Transient:** A short duration of line noise disturbance
- **Clean:** Non-fluctuating pure power
- **Floating Ground:** The wire in an electrical circuit that is grounded

# Uninterrupted Power (UPS)







# Static voltage damage levels

- **40: Destruction of sensitive circuits**
- **1,000: Scrambling of monitor displays**
- **1,500: Destruction of data stored on hard drives**
- **2,000: Abrupt system shutdown**
- **4,000: Printer jam or component damage**
- **17,000: Permanent circuit damage**

# Power sub-stations



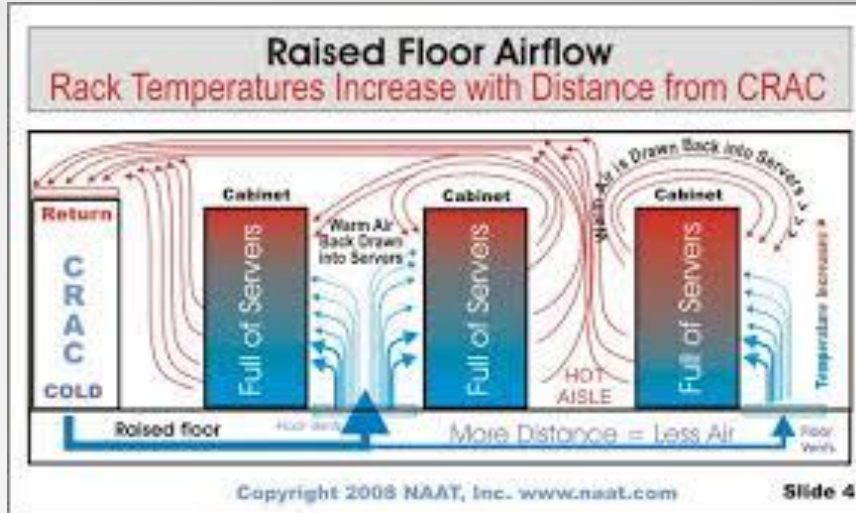


# HVAC Environmental Conditioning

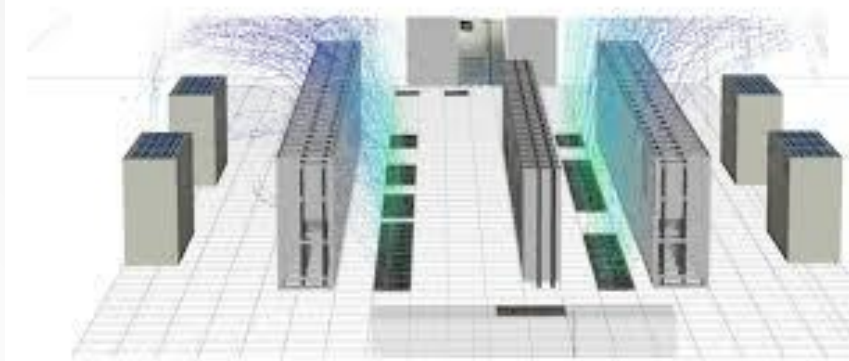
- Freon
- Glycol
- Water
- Positive pressure
- What's the right temperature?



# Computer Room Air Conditioners



Google data center: Traditional cooling





# Fire

- **Combustion elements**
  - Fuel, Oxygen, Temperature
- **Suppression methods versus combustion elements**
  - Remove fuel / oxygen (CO<sub>2</sub>/soda acid)
  - Reduce temperature (water)
  - Interference with chemical reaction (Halon)

# Fire Suppression - Classes

- **A - Common combustibles**
  - Suppress with water/soda acid
- **B - Liquid**
  - Suppress with CO2/soda acid/Halon (Dry Chemical)
- **C -Electrical**
  - Suppress with CO2/Halon (Dry Chemical)
- **D –Combustible Materials (Magnesium, Sodium, Potassium)**
  - Dry Powder (NaCl, Graphite, Cu)
- **K – Cooking oils and fats (Grease)**

*to deadly! Hazardous to humans*

*Bad for environment*





# Fire Suppression Agents

- **Water**
  - Bad for electronics and buildings
- **CO2**
  - colorless, odorless, and potentially lethal in that it removes oxygen
  - Bad for people
  - Use built-in delay in manned areas
  - Emergency shut off override
- **Halon**
  - Better for people
  - Bad for environment (Ozone-depleting)
  - Use built-in delay in manned areas
  - Emergency shut off override



# Halon

- **Halogenated extinguishing agent**
  - Must be thoroughly mixed with air
  - Montreal protocol (1987)
    - stopped Halon production as of 01/01/94 due to agent releasing ozone-depleting substances
  - Halon 1301 requires expensive pressurized flooding system
  - Halon 1211 self-pressurizes (used in portable extinguishers)
- **FM-200 most effective alternative to Halon**
- **Other Alternatives are NAFS-III, CEA-410, FE-13, Argon, Water, Inergen, or Argonite**





# Types of systems

- **Wet pipe**
  - Always contain water
  - Discharged by temperature control sensors
  - Could cause damage in the event of a pipe break
- **Dry pipe**
  - Water is not in the pipe until a temperature is reached
  - Typically a delay between detection and release of water
- **Pre-action**
  - Combination of Dry and wet pipe
  - Water is release based on temperature, but sprinkler head doesn't release water until a link is melted away
- **Deluge**
  - Dry pipe system with large volumes of water



# Fire Detection

- **Smoke Activated**

- Photoelectric device detects changes in air particles
- Prone to false alarms

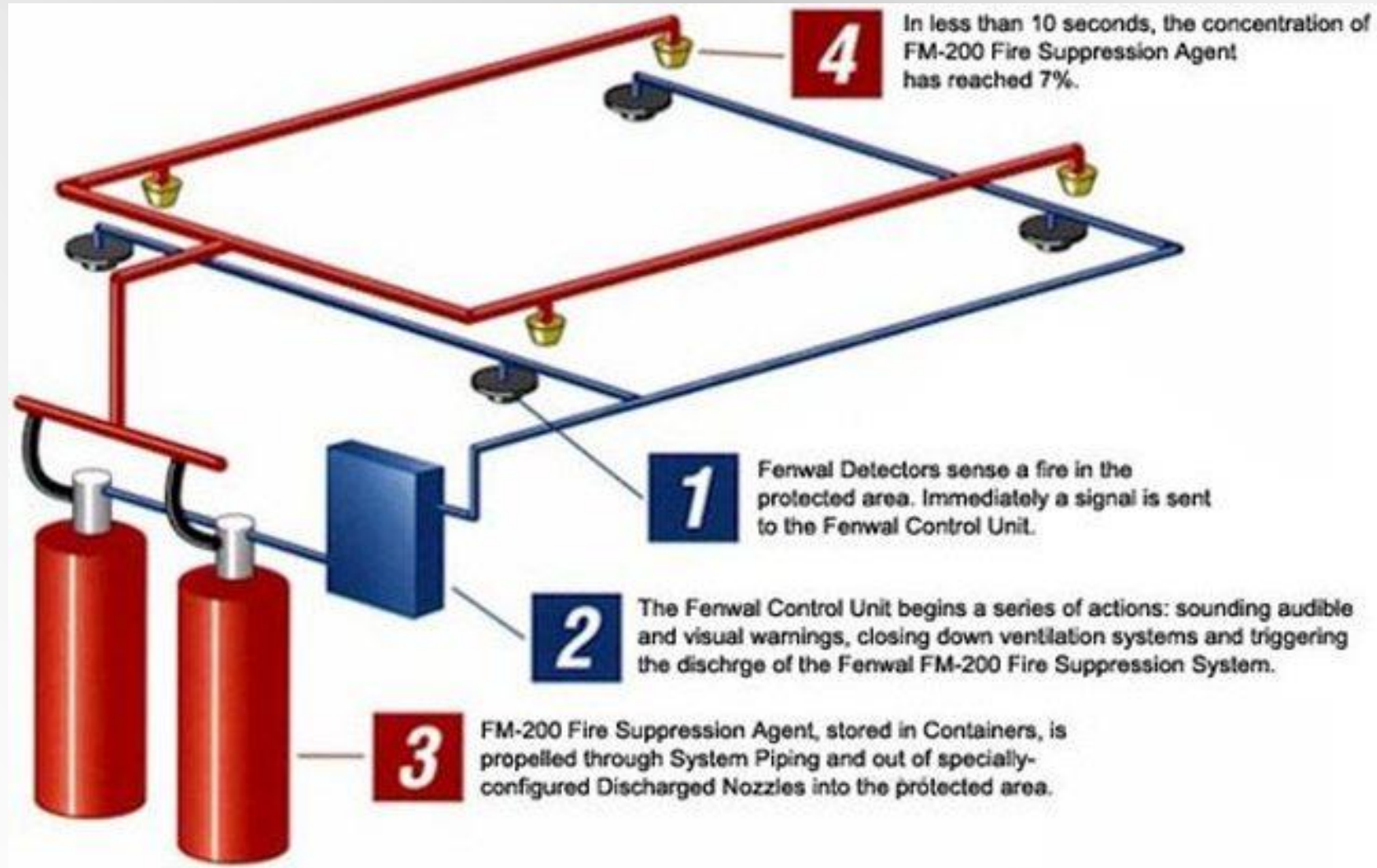
- **Heat activated**

- Detect heat (fixed-temperature or rate of rise)

- **Flame activated**

- Senses the pulsations of flames or infrared flame energy
- Expensive

# Fire prevention systems



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