Eliminating Data Security Threats: Combating Insider Threat

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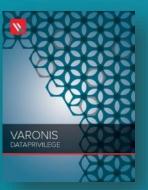




About Varonis

- Started operations in 2005
- Headquartered in NYC
- 10 Products
- Over 2500 customers world wide
- Publicly traded as of 2014 (NYSE:VRNS)
- Solutions for Human Generated Data















"Life's a breach... grab a towel."





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Security Breaches & Industry Trends

- The attack surface is transforming
- The most common source of breaches are not malicious attacks
 - Phishing attacks and advanced malware attacks are up 87%
 - The soft-center is still left unaddressed

The average total cost of data breaches to US-based organizations is over \$5.4 million

Sources:

1. http://www.kaspersky.com/about/news/press/2013/Kaspersky_Lab_report_37_3_million_users_experienced_phishing_attacks_in_the_last_year (Ugh... Long URL's are so 2005!)

2. http://www.bankinfosecurity.com/interviews/data-breach-i-1953/op-1

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"... A 'best practices' strategy in that it relies on the intelligent application of techniques and technologies that exist today.

The strategy recommends a balance between the protection capability and cost, performance, and operational considerations." - National Security Agency

1. http://www.nsa.gov/ia/_files/support/defenseindepth.pdf





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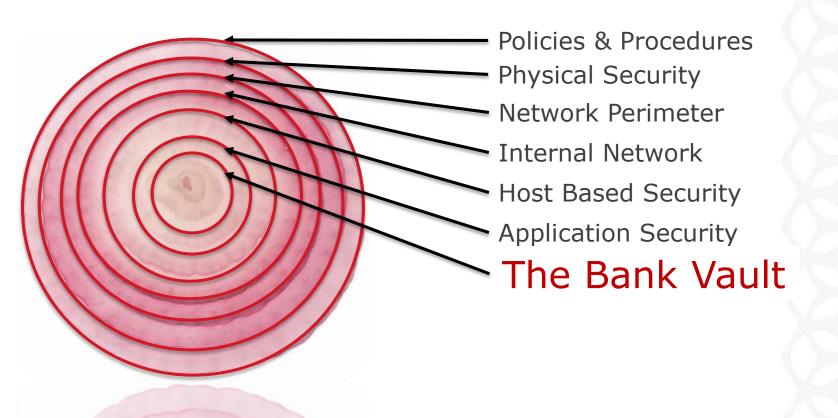
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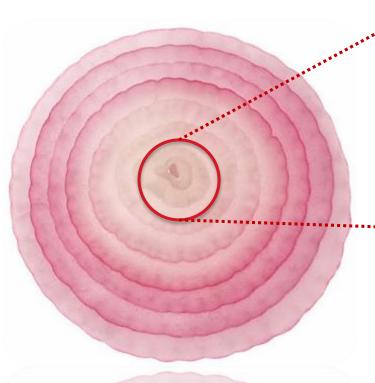








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Users don't care about onions:

They care about access to data, which is exactly what they are doing.

Are you protecting the organization and its users from themselves?





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Wait a minute!

"Did he just call our users our biggest risk to our data?"



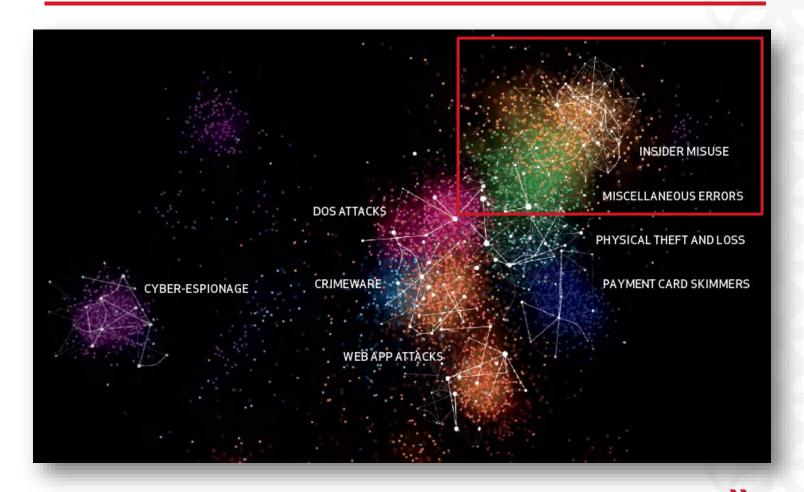
I did.



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2014 Data Breach Investigation Report



Source:

1. Verizon 2014 Data Breach Investigation Report







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FBI's Top 5 Lessons



Insider Threat: The FBI's Top 5 Lessons

- 1. Insider threats *are not* hackers
- 2. Insider threat is not just a technical or a "cyber security" issue
 - 3. A good insider threat program should focus on deterrence and not *just* detection
 - 4. Avoid the *data overload* problem
 - 5. Use *behavioral* analytics



Insider Threat: The FBI's Top 5 Lessons

Good news!

Insider threats are not responsible for the highest number of breaches...

("OK - so what is this guy so worked up about?")

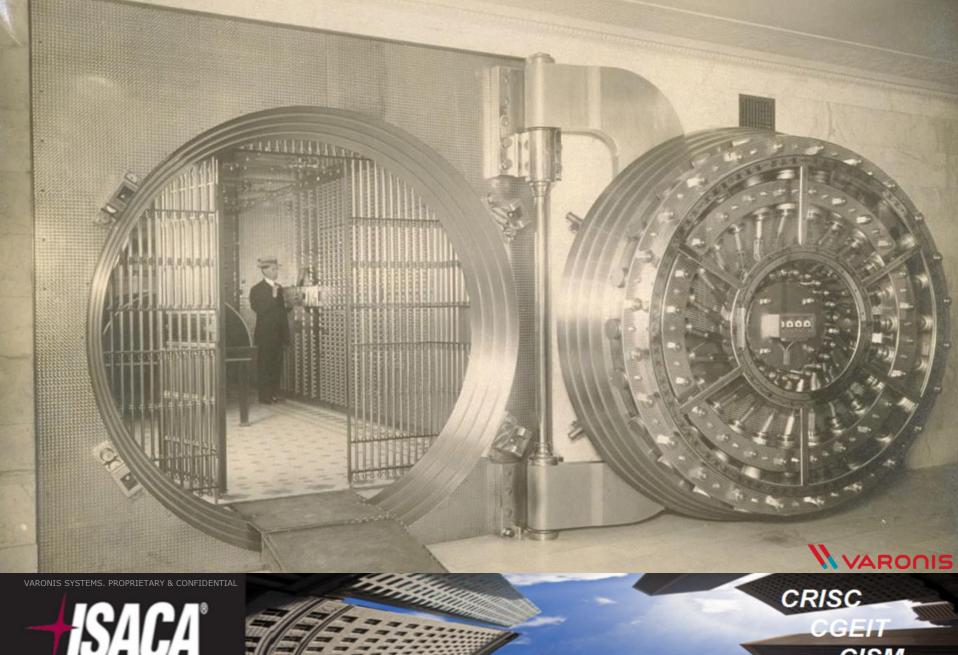


Insider Threat: The FBI's Top 5 Lessons

Bad news!

Insider threats are responsible for the most costly and damaging of breaches.





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Closing the Bank Vault Door

Organizational Situations which increase the ease of the threat:

- Over permissive access controls
- Sensitive information is not labelled
- Sensitive information is easy to steal

Oh. Is that all?

Just find the needle in the haystack?







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More like a needle in a stack of needles.



Behavioral Clues

- Taking stuffs without need or permission
- Looking for stuffs they don't need
- Asking about stuffs (especially foreign stuffs)
- Unnecessarily copying stuffs that isn't theirs
- Remotely access stuffs outside normal hours
- Disregard policies and install/download unauthorized stuffs
- Maintain an unusual schedule when its easier to steal stuffs
- Hang out with people who may want your stuffs

1. http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/investigate/counterintelligence/the-insider-threat (heavily paraphrased...)





Big Data: Challenges & Opportunities







Why is this a "Big Data" problem?

A Single Terabyte Contains:

- 1 million files
- 50,000 folders
- 2500 unique access control lists

A Single Access Control List Contains:

Lists 4 groups

A Single Security Group Contains:

15 members

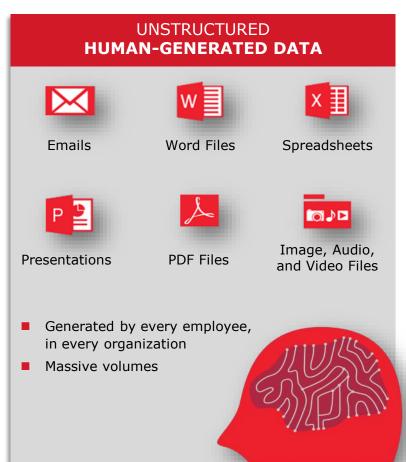
150,000 functional relationships in 1 TB of data!

That's **before** considering activity and content



Human Generated Data IS Big Data







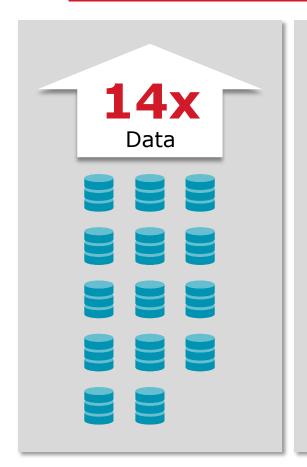


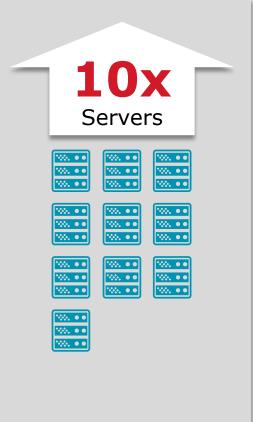


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Source:

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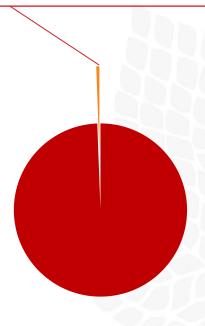
Big Data: Challenges & Opportunities







Only 0.5% of the digital universe is analyzed



Enterprises are responsible for protecting 80% of all data

Opportunity to extract more value through tagging and analysis



1. IDC Digital Universe







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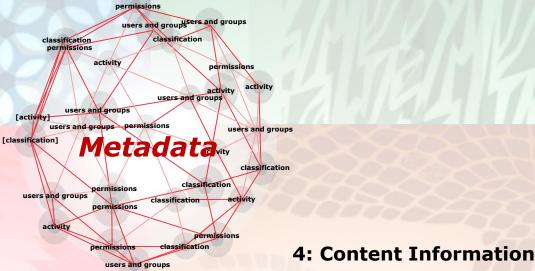
Big Metadata

1: User and Group Information:

2: Permissions Information:

From Active Directory, LDAP, NIS, SharePoint, etc.

Knowing who can access what data



3: Access Activity

Knowing which users do access what data, when and what they've done

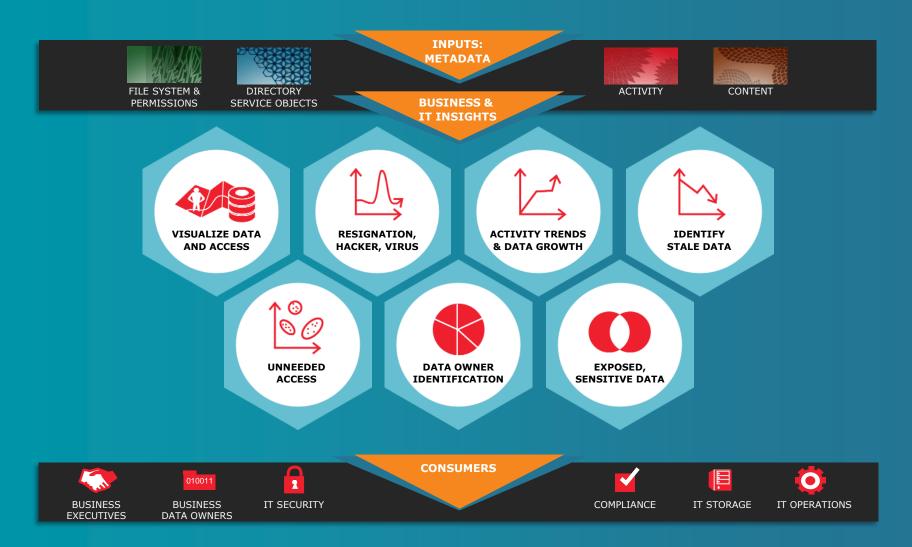
Knowing which files contain sensitive and important information







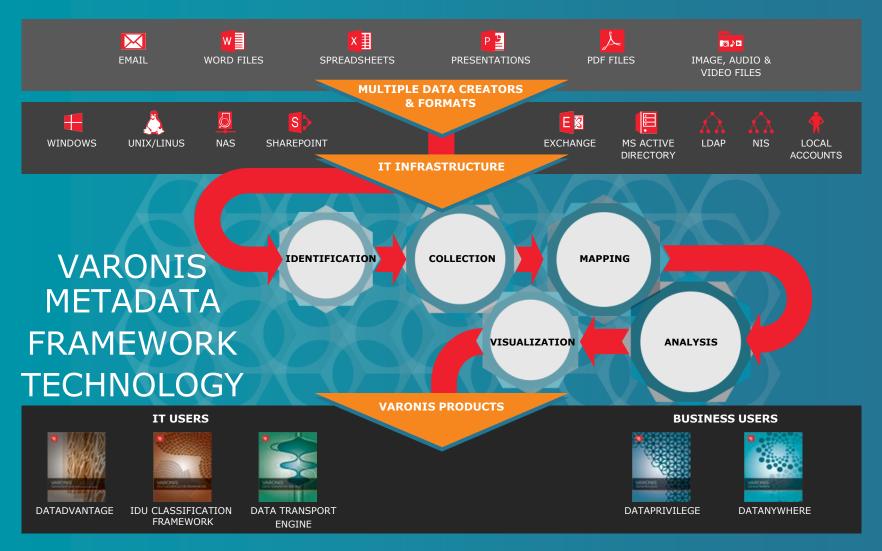
Big Data Intelligence





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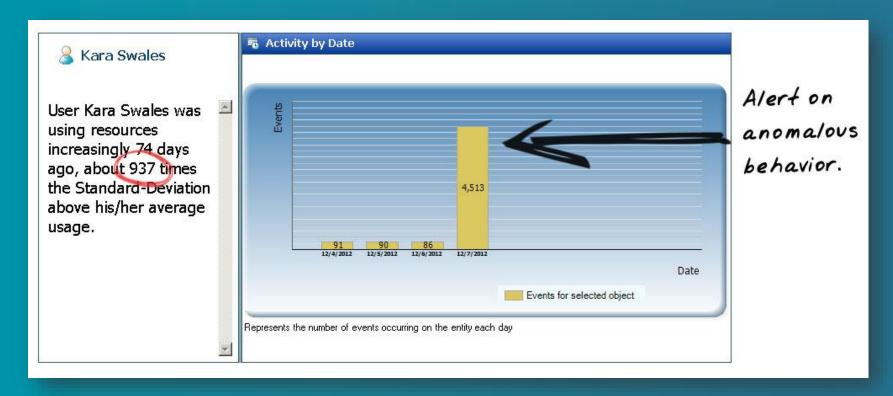
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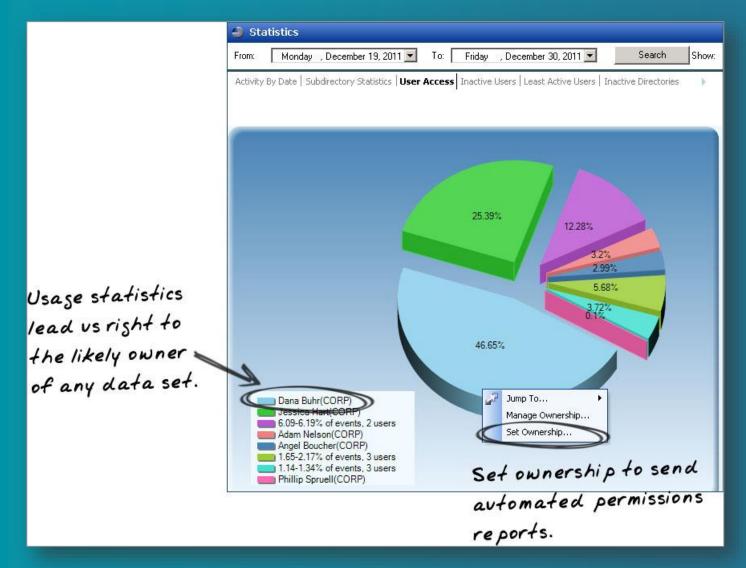
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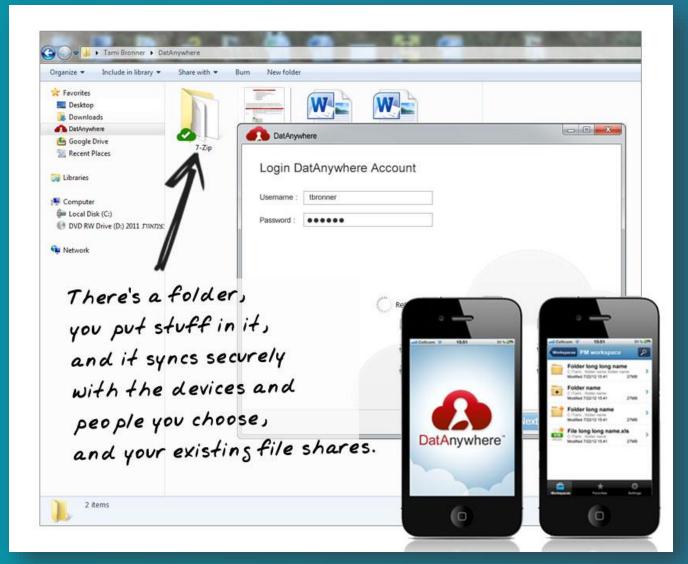
Who Owns Data?







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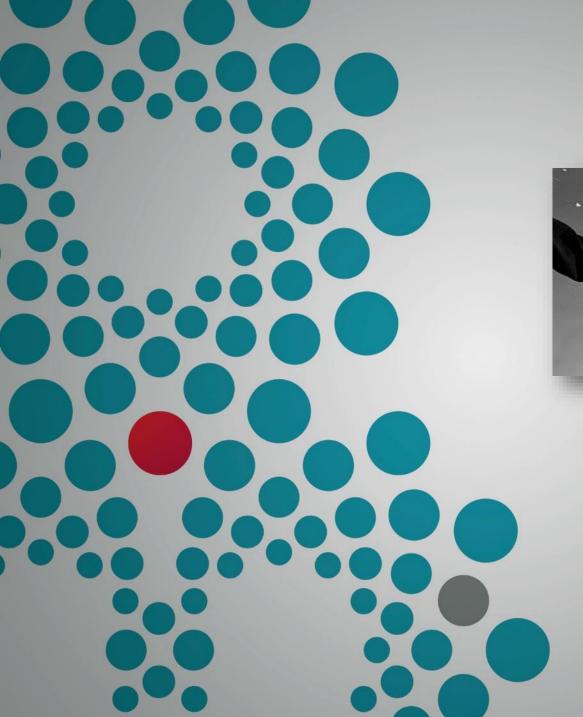




Key Questions Varonis Helps Answer

- WHO has access to a data set and WHAT are they accessing?
- WHO should have access to data set?
- **WHICH** data is sensitive?
- **WHO** is the data owner?
- IS my sensitive data overexposed and HOW do I fix it?
- WHAT data is stale and can I archive it?
- HOW can I enable secure collaboration without moving my data?
- HOW do I provide secure Enterprise Search capabilities?







Q & A







...NO MORE QUESTIONS FOR YOU!

Thank you!

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