



Insider Threats: Malice, Mistakes and Mountains Lions

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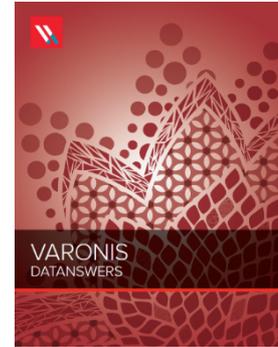
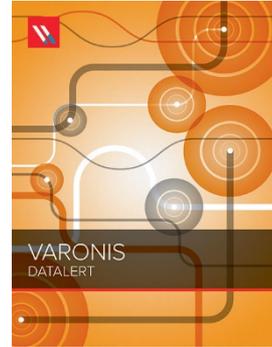
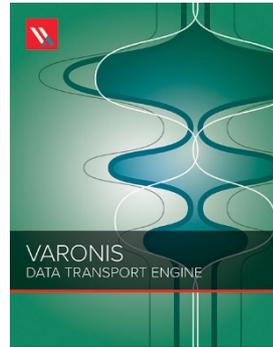
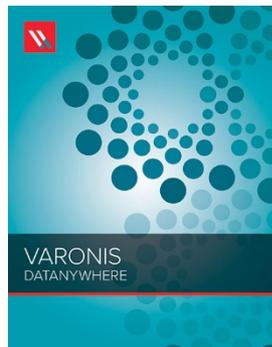
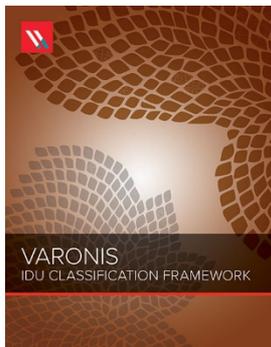
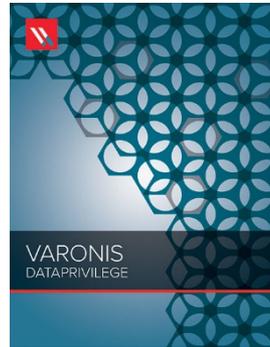
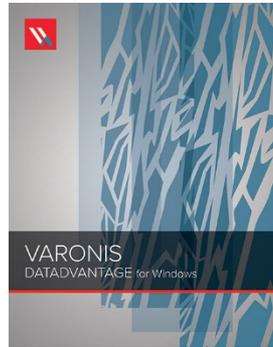
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A stylized silhouette of the San Francisco skyline, including the Golden Gate Bridge, is overlaid on a background of a sunset or sunrise over the city.

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About Varonis

- Started operations in 2005
- Over **3500** Customers
 - (as of March, 2015)
- Software Solutions for Human Generated Data





The Varonis Origin Story

Agenda

- The anatomy of insider breaches
- Real world breaches: stats and examples
- Our irrational biases about risk
- 6 tips for mitigating insider threats

INSIDER THREATS: THE ACTORS



THE TURNCLOAK



THE PAWN



THE IMPOSTER

The Script



Get inside (if not there already)

- Usually done by phishing or social engineering



Snoop around

- Enumerate current access; attempt to elevate
- Visa cards anyone?



Exfiltration

- Get the data out without sounding alarms

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By the Numbers

Figure 43.
Top 10 threat action varieties within Miscellaneous Errors (n=558)

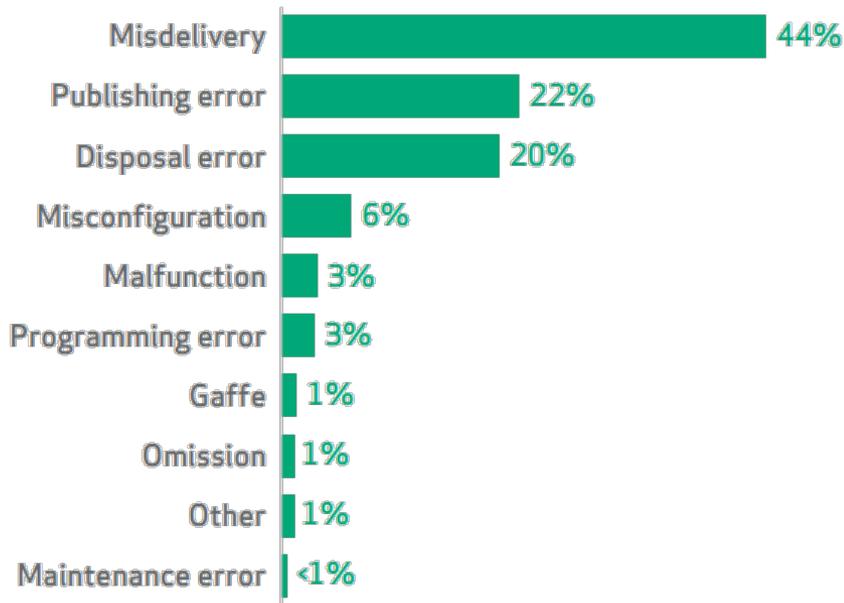
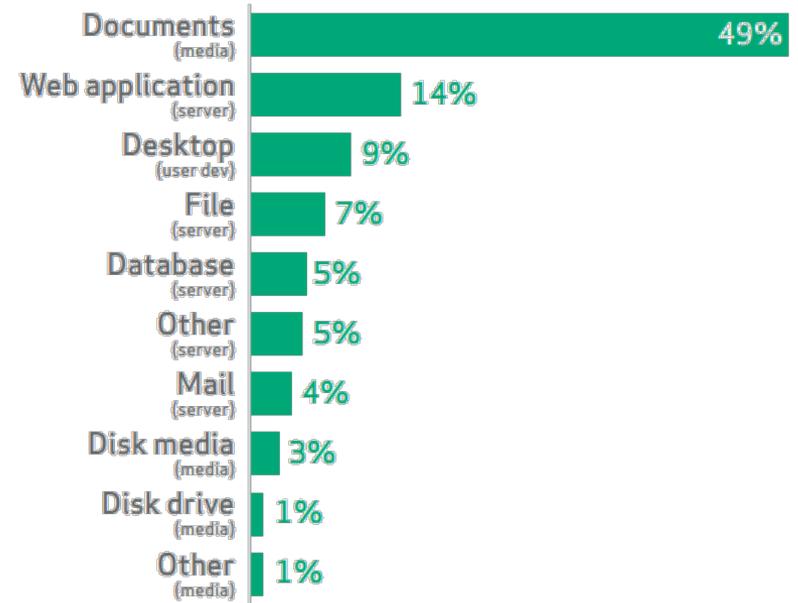


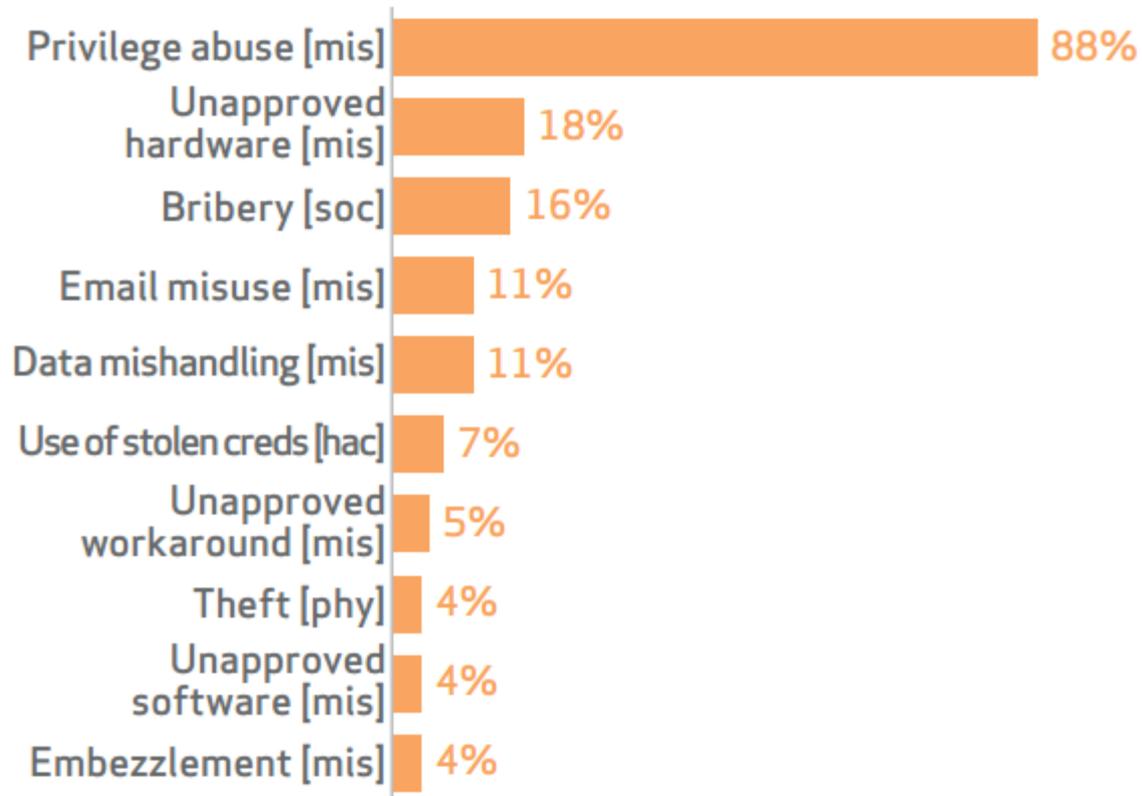
Figure 44.
Top 10 assets affected within Miscellaneous Errors (n=546)



Privilege Abuse

Figure 30.

Top 10 threat action varieties within Insider Misuse (n=153)



Our Own Worst Enemy



 **midnight memories**
@GagasSwag
my new credit card! omg I'm so happy
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49 RETWEETS 22 FAVORITES

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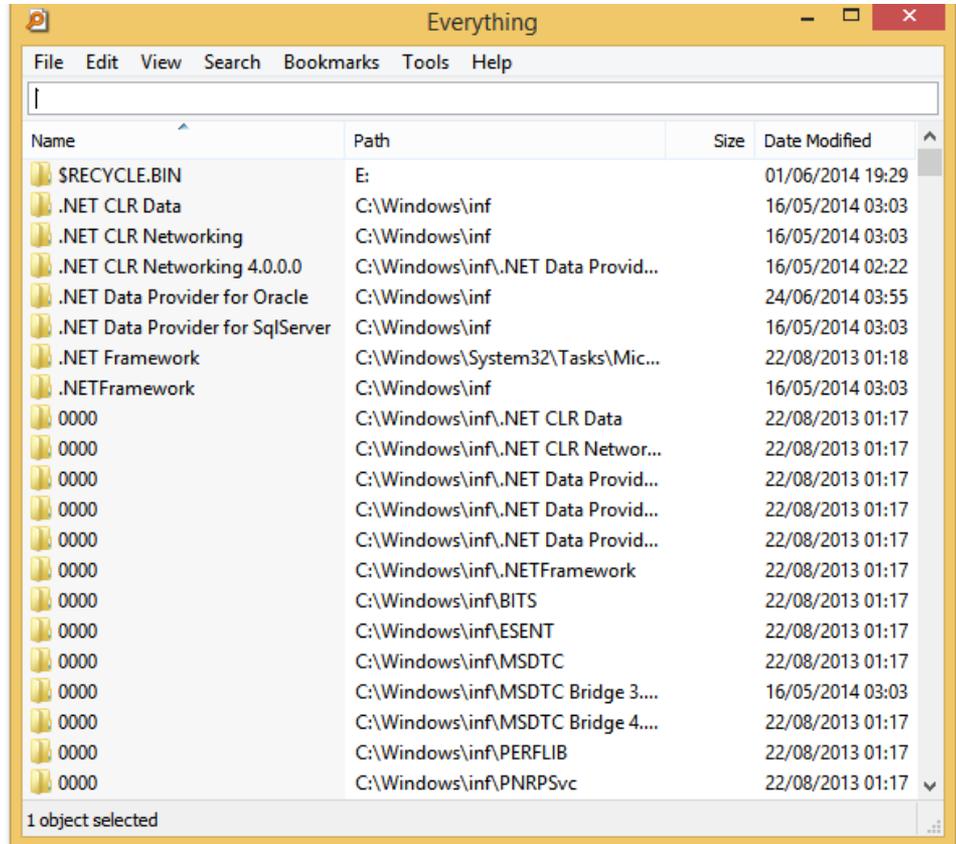
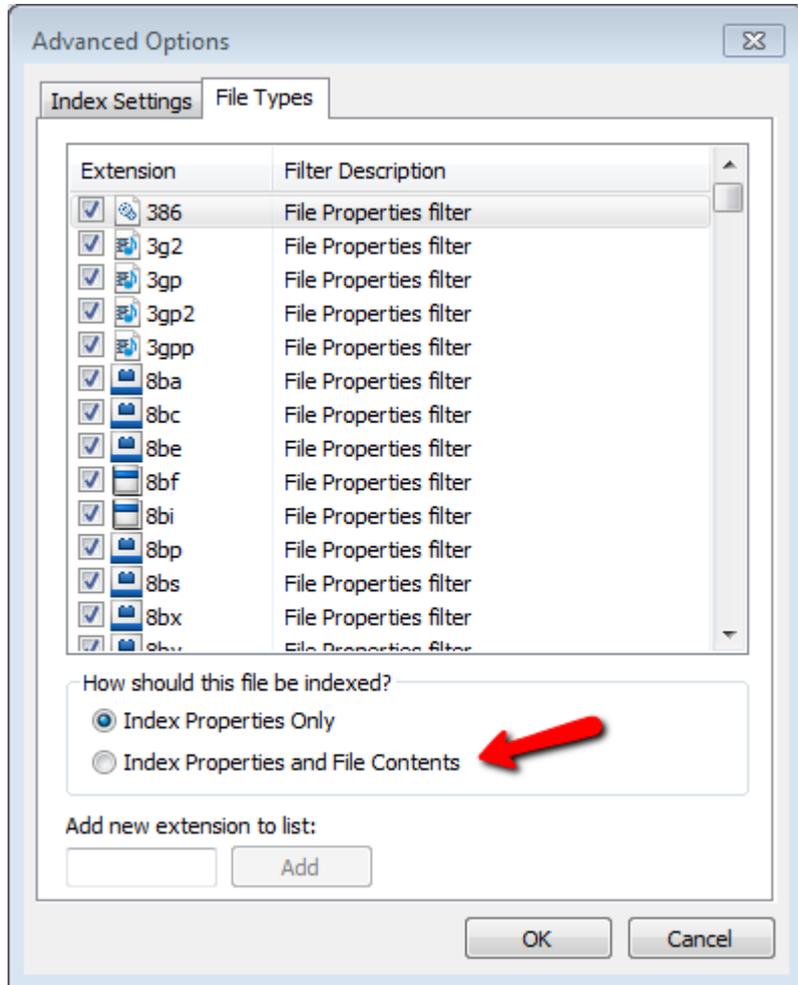
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Snooping Behind the Firewall



Target as a Target

- **\$162 million breach**
- Lots of fancy tools watching the perimeter (candy bar syndrome)
- “[...] spokeswoman, Molly Snyder, says the intruders had gained access to the system by using stolen credentials from a third-party



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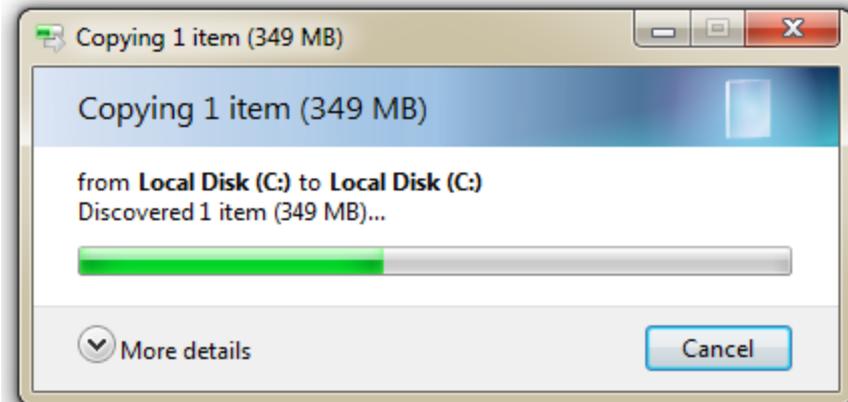
Gartner's @Avivahl says context aware behavioral analytics could have prevented the Target #databreach



Risk and Irrational Biases

Fear and Frequency

- Large university
- 146,000 student records, including SSNs, exposed
- Cause? **Copy/paste**





A Story About Trees

A CRYPTO NERD'S
IMAGINATION:

HIS LAPTOP'S ENCRYPTED.
LET'S BUILD A MILLION-DOLLAR
CLUSTER TO CRACK IT.



WHAT WOULD
ACTUALLY HAPPEN:

HIS LAPTOP'S ENCRYPTED.
DRUG HIM AND HIT HIM WITH
THIS \$5 WRENCH UNTIL
HE TELLS US THE PASSWORD.



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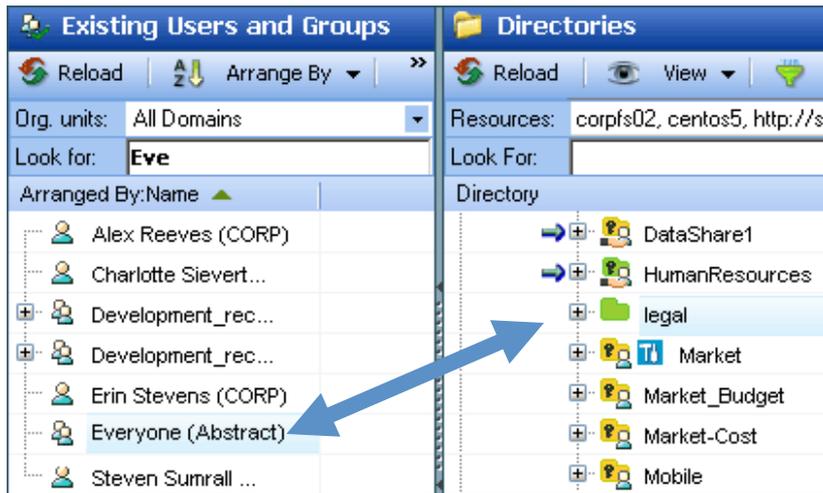
They're in—now what?

6 Mitigation Tips

1. Eliminate Global Access
2. Eliminate Excessive Permissions
3. Alert on Privilege Escalations
4. Alert on Behavioral Deviations
5. Setup Honeypots
6. Closely Monitor High-Risk People and Data

Tip #1: Eliminate Global Access

- Locate groups like “Everyone” and “Authenticated Users” and replace them with tighter security groups
- How do I avoid cutting off legitimate access?



Alice Tanner will lose access to data she has been using!

Tip #2: Eliminate Excessive Permissions

- People *and* software!
- Figure out what people have access to but *shouldn't*
 - Amazon-like recommendations
- Auto-expire temporary access
- Periodically review entitlements

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Tip #3: Alert on Privilege Escalations

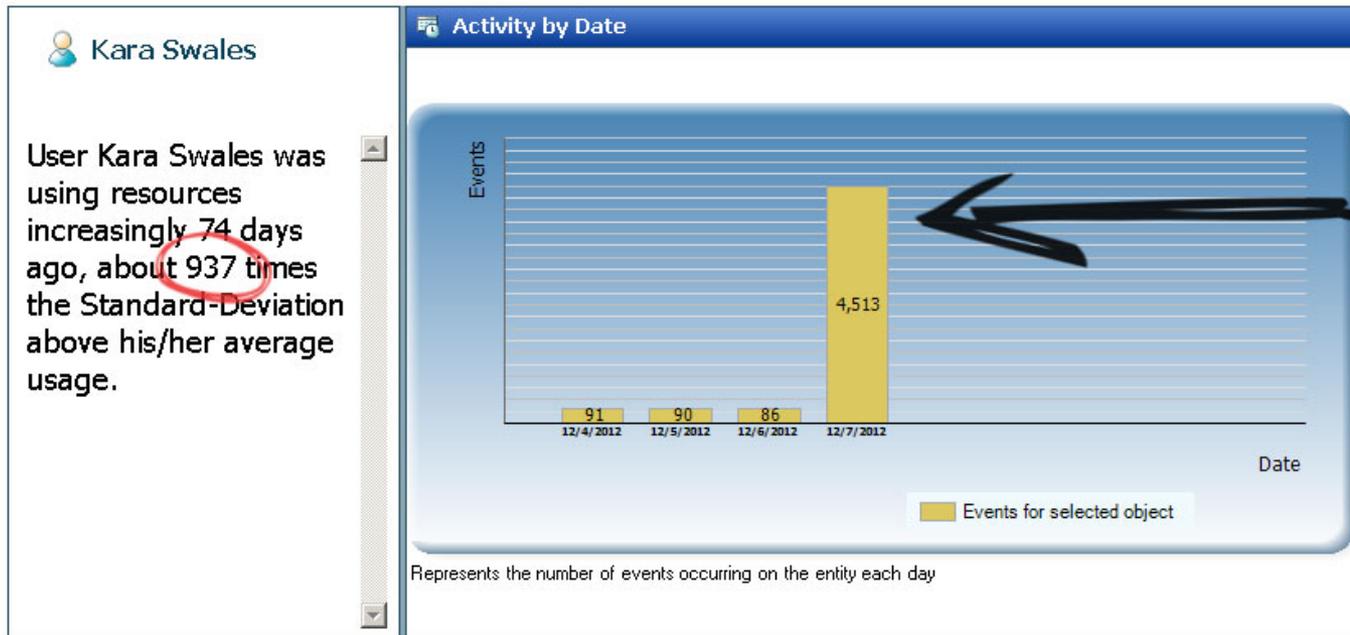
- Do you know when someone gets root access?

The screenshot shows the 'Where (Affected Object)' configuration panel. On the left is a navigation menu with 'Where (Affected Object)' selected. The main area has a title bar 'Where (Affected Object)' and a descriptive text: 'You can use filters or a Predefined Scope to define alerts for specific affected objects. Note that when using filters, the file server filter is mandatory and residing on the selected file server.' Below this is a dropdown for 'Select predefined scope: (None)' and a 'Save as predefined scope' button. A toolbar contains 'New Group', 'New Filter', and 'Remove Selected'. The filter configuration is under 'All of (AND):' and includes: a checked 'File server' filter with 'Equals' operator and 'DirectoryServices' value; an 'and' connector; a checked 'Directory name (DirectoryServices)' filter with 'Is equal to' operator and 'corp.local\Users\Domain Admins' value; and a checked 'Search in child objects' checkbox.

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Tip #4: Alert on Behavioral Deviations

- Behavioral activity spikes (email, files, access denied)
- Monitor activity outside of normal business hours



Alert on anomalous behavior.

Detecting CryptoLocker

- Alert on more than 100 file modify events from a single user in under a minute
- Alert triggers an action to:
 - Notify IT admins
 - Grab the username and machine
 - Check the machine's registry for key/value that CryptoLocker creates
 - `Get-Item HKCU:\Software\CryptoLocker\Files).GetValueNames()`
 - If value exists, disable user automatically:
 - `Disable-ADAccount -Identity $actingObject`

Tip #5: Setup Honeypots

- Setup a shared folder that is open to everyone
 - X:\Share\Payroll
 - X:\Share\Confidential
 - X:\Share\CEO
- See who abuses it

Tip #6: Monitor High Risk People and Data

- Alert or auto-quarantine sensitive data when it shows up in a public place
- Watch what root/domain admins are doing
- Watch what contractors are doing

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THANK YOU!



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