

# Dissecting Data Breaches

What Keeps Going Wrong?

# WHO WE ARE

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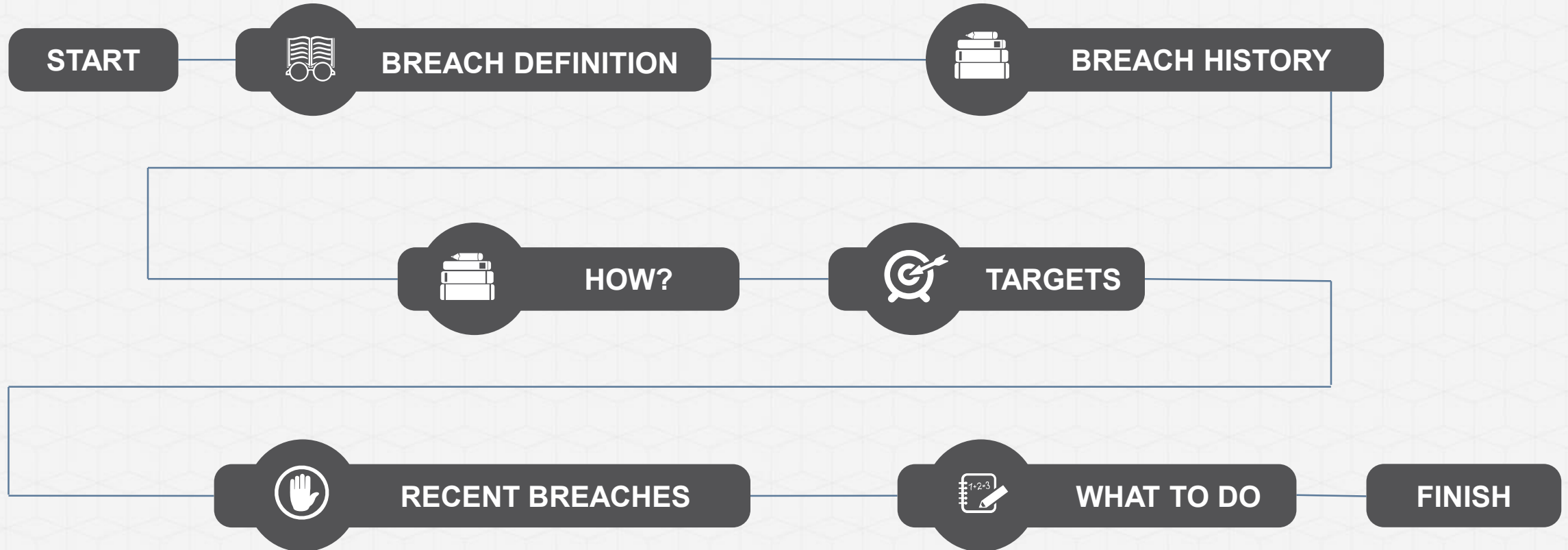
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# PRESENTATION AGENDA





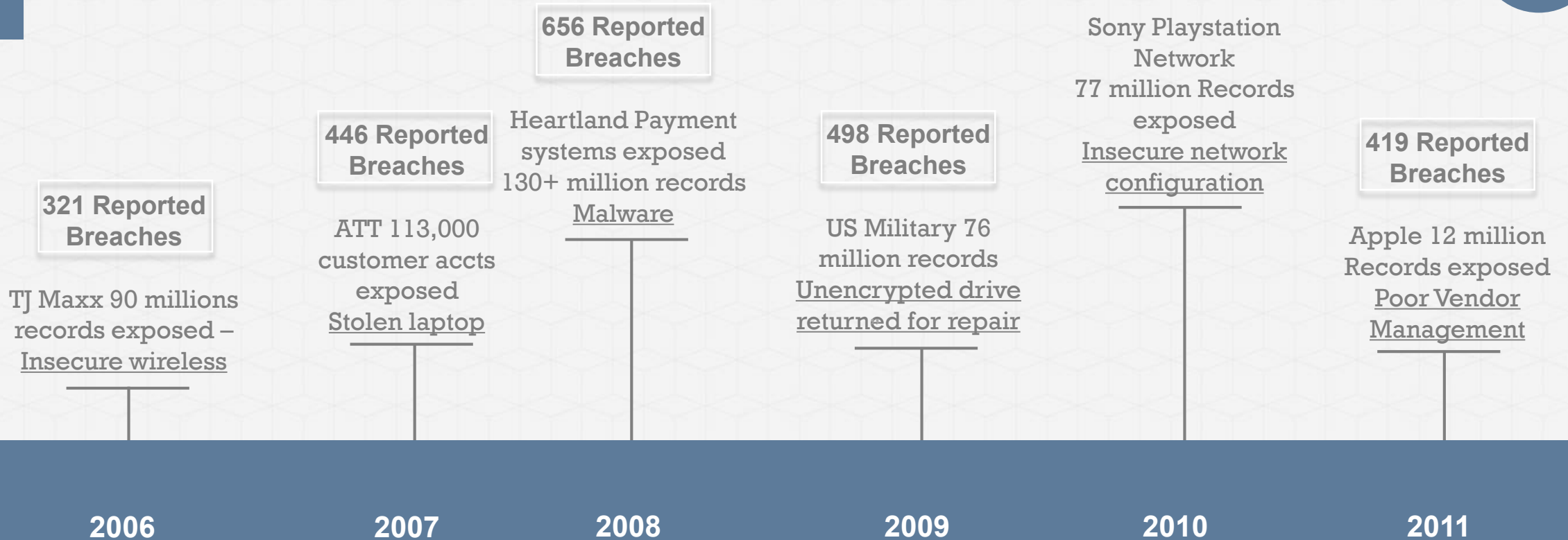
## BREACH DEFINITION

“A gap in a wall, barrier, or defense, especially one made by an attacking army.”

*A Data Breach* is an incident in which sensitive, protected or confidential data has potentially been viewed, stolen or used by an individual unauthorized to do so.



# BREACH HISTORY



There is not just one reason for security breaches, data is leaked or lost in a multitude of ways, these are some of the biggest breaches of the last 10 years.



## BRIEF HISTORY (Cont.)

**But first, let's talk about how this happens**

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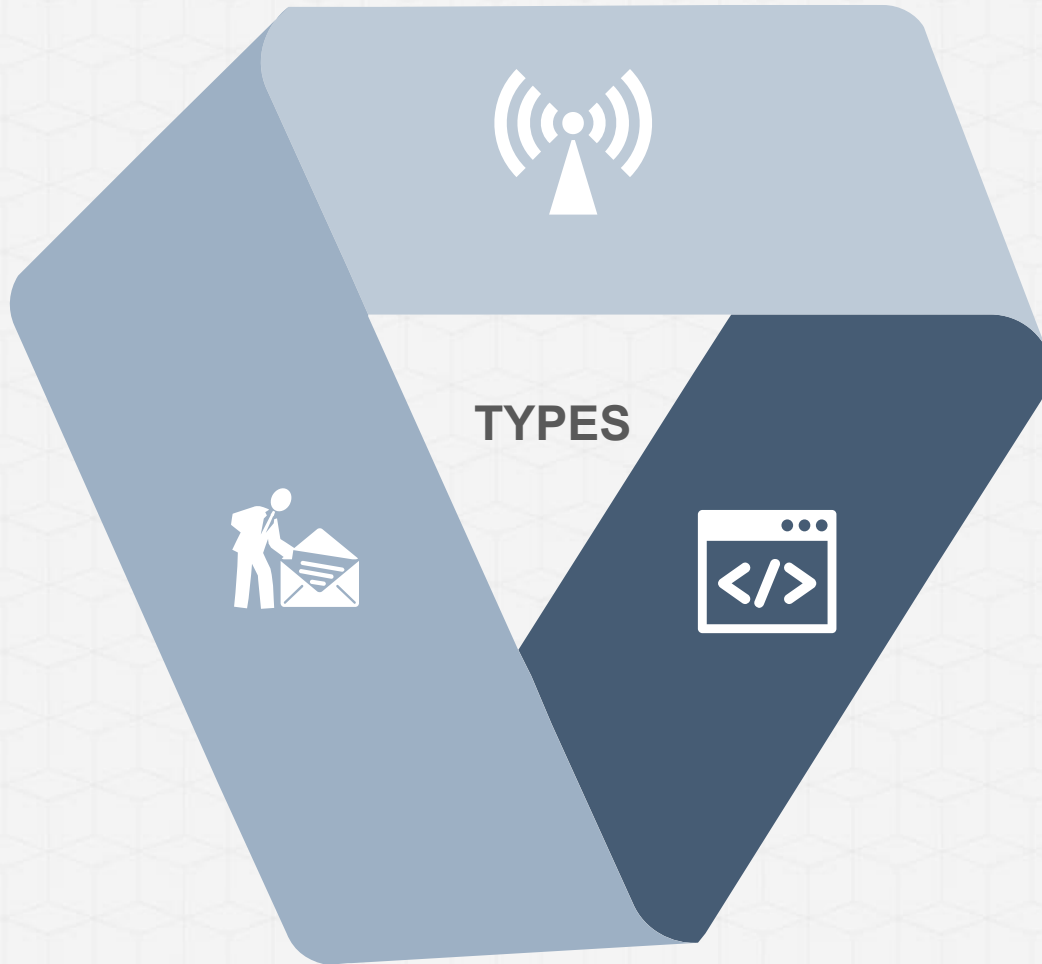
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## THE WAY IN: HACKING

Your network is only as strong as the weakest link



### VULNERABILITY EXPLOITATION

Exploiting system flaws to obtain access to data or networks



### SOCIAL ENGINEERING

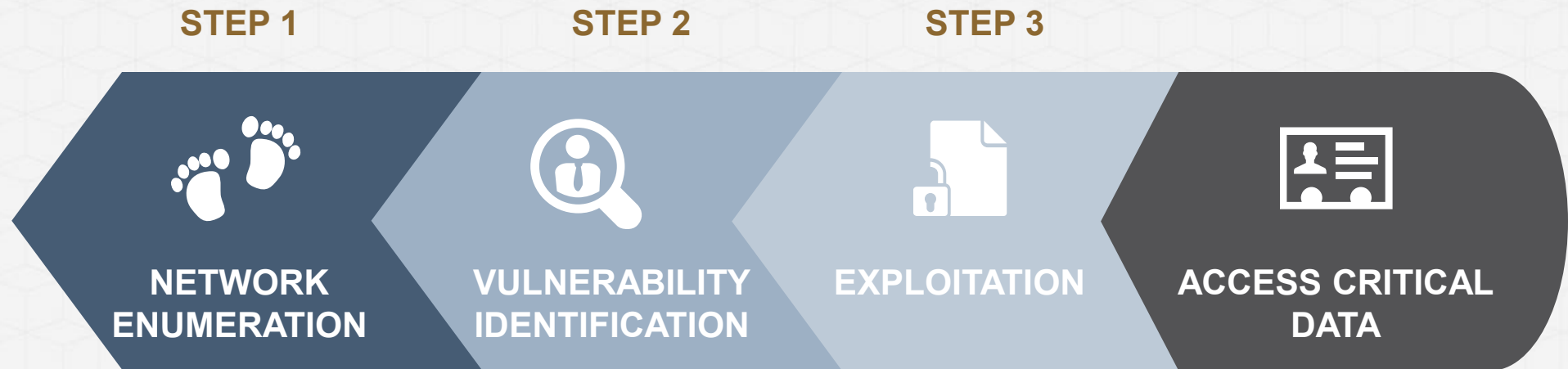
Exploiting human emotion to gain access to personal information



### WIRELESS

Exploiting wireless flaws to remotely obtain access to data or networks

# HOW THEY FIND THE HOLE: VULNERABILITY EXPLOITATION



## 3 STEPS TO VULNERABILITY EXPLOITATION

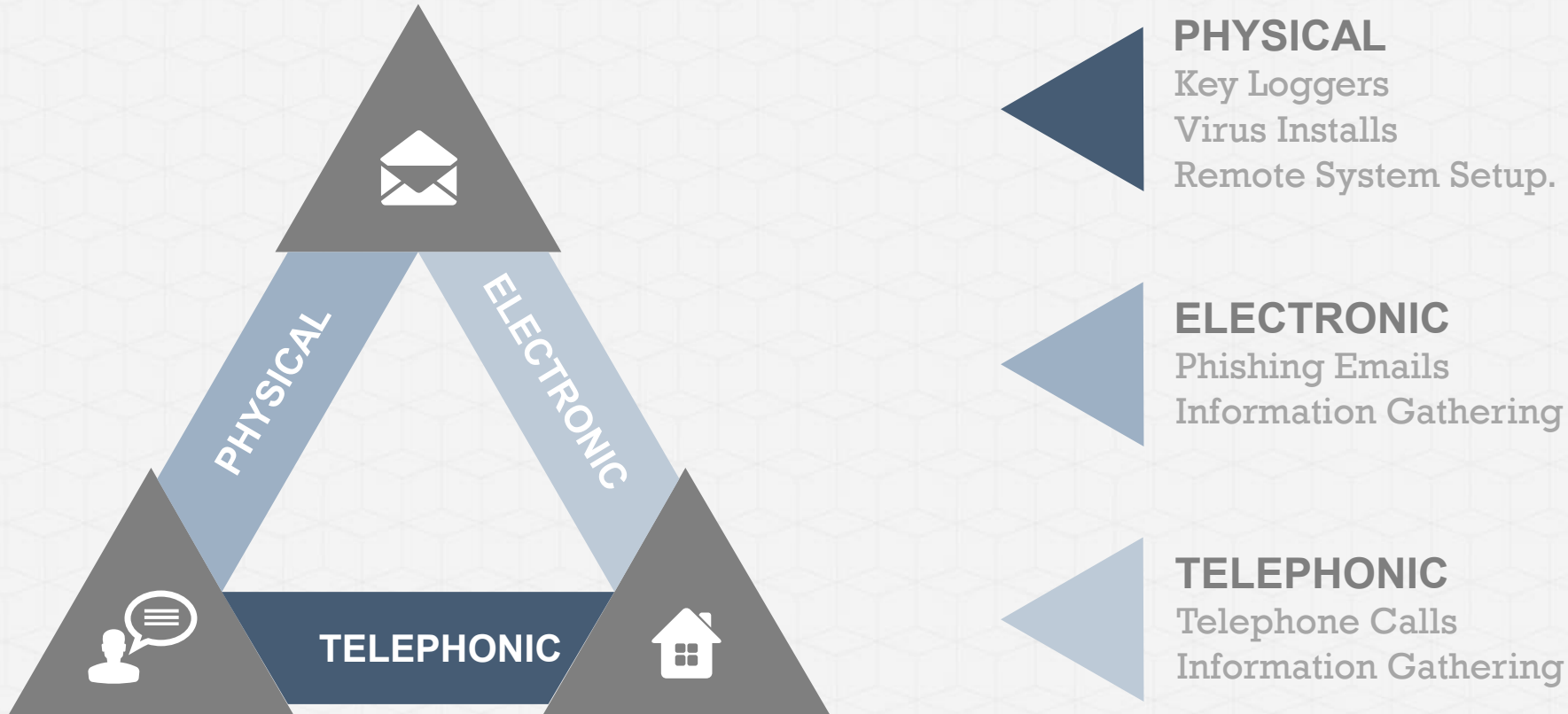
While exact techniques differ, modern vulnerability exploitation generally follows three set phases.





# YOU ARE THE WEAKEST LINK: SOCIAL ENGINEERING

3 Types





# BREAK FROM A FAR: **WIRELESS**

**01'**

## Major Threats

Unauthorized "Rogue" Access Points  
New devices with wireless included

**02'**

## Compromise Internal Networks

Confidentiality  
Integrity  
Availability

**03'**

## Use or Disrupt Resources

Wireless DoS  
Inject traffic into internal networks  
Drive-by spammers



# WHAT ARE THEY AFTER?

## Personally Identifiable Information

- PII
- Credit Card Data
- Medical Information
- Intellectual Property
- Client Databases
- Vendor Databases

### *Personally Identifying Information?*

- Social Security Numbers
- Birthdate
- Address

### *Example*

Personal information stored in company databases used for credit checks.

This information can be used to open new accounts in the victims name, the better the credit score of the victim, the more valuable the data.



# WHAT ARE THEY AFTER?

## Credit Card Data

- PII
- **Credit Card Data**
- Medical Information
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### *Credit Card Data*

- Unmasked Credit Card Numbers
- Stripe Data
- CVV Codes

### *Example*

Unmasked credit card data stored in databases for use at a future date.

Credit card numbers and stripe data can be sold on the black market. Prices vary based on credit score of the individual, available credit and type of card and stripe data captured.



# WHAT ARE THEY AFTER?

## Medical Information

- PII
- Credit Card Data
- **Medical Information**
- Intellectual Property
- Client Databases
- Vendor Databases

### *Medical Information*

- Blood Type
- Medication Lists
- Treatment History
- Family History

### *Example*

Medical history can be used for blackmail purposes, targeted attacks or simply building a dossier on an individual for later use.



# WHAT ARE THEY AFTER?

## Intellectual Property

- PII
- Credit Card Data
- Medical Information
- **Intellectual Property**
- Client Databases
- Vendor Databases

### *Intellectual Property*

- Algorithm
- Source Code
- Research

### *Example*

An encryption algorithm, source code for the latest game engine or research being conducted at a pharmaceutical firm, are all likely targets of a data breach.



# WHAT ARE THEY AFTER?

## Client Databases

- PII
- Credit Card Data
- Medical Information
- Intellectual Property
- **Client Databases**
- Vendor Databases

### *Client Databases*

- Client personal information
- Physical addresses
- Email addresses

### *Example*

Client databases are stolen and sold for personal information dumps (for use in identity theft or other purposes) as well as targeted client lists to be sold to competitors.



# WHAT ARE THEY AFTER?

## Vendor Databases

- PII
- Credit Card Data
- Medical Information
- Intellectual Property
- Client Databases
- **Vendor Information**

### *Vendor Databases*

- Parts lists - suppliers and costs
- Services – suppliers and costs

### *Example*

Vendor Databases often contain parts suppliers and pricing for manufactured goods, this information is invaluable for competitors attempting to get an upper hand.





# BRIEF HISTORY (Cont.)



Back to the fun stories...



## 4 SIMPLE STEPS

Where to go from here.

**01**

### ALIGN WITH A STANDARD

Secure systems and improve processes

**02**

### USER ACCESS MANAGEMENT

File Shares, Applications, Vendors

**03**

### PROACTIVE TESTING

Simulated penetration testing and vulnerability assessments for low hanging fruit

**04**

### INDEPENDENT 3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY REVIEWS

Verification of ongoing processes

20'

# Q & A

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