



AUTOMATED HUMAN VULNERABILITY SCANNING WITH AVA



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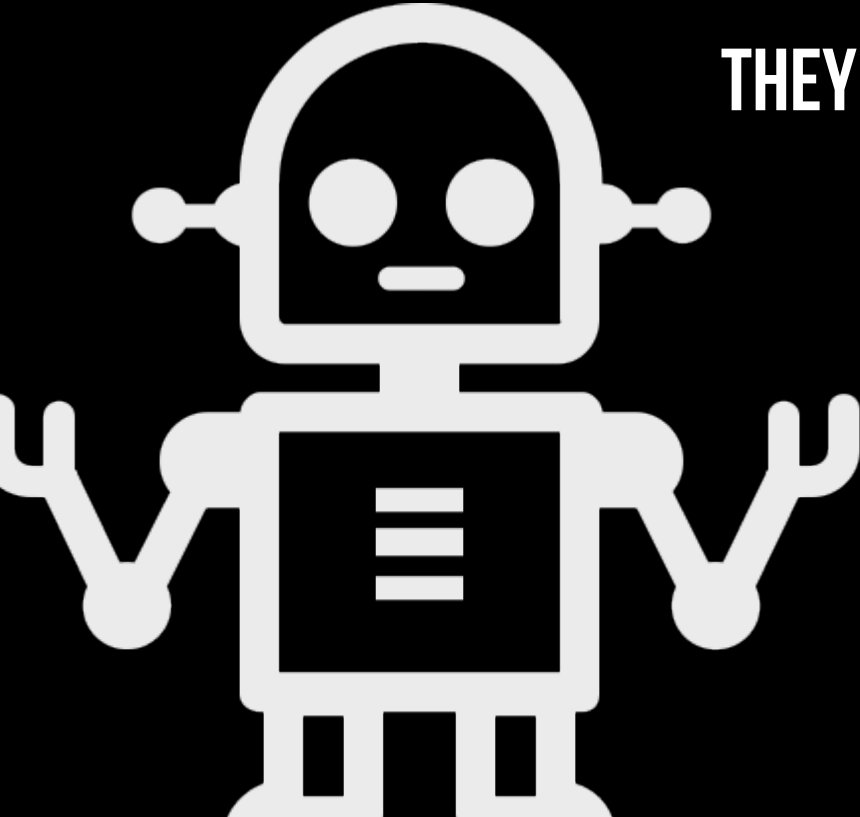
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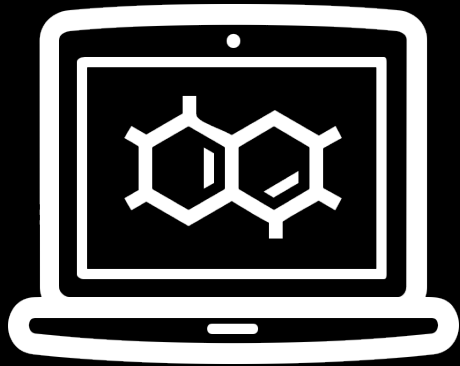
**WE ARE COMFORTABLE WHEN WE TALK ABOUT TECHNICAL
VULNERABILITY**

WE DO NOT **EMPATHISE** OR SYMPATHISE WITH MACHINES

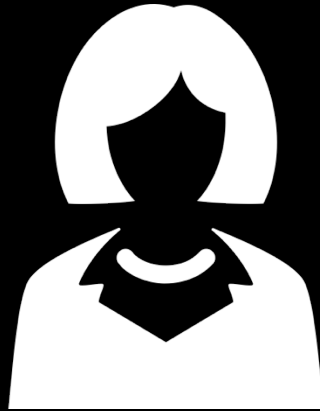
THEY ARE TANGIBLE, INANIMATE OBJECTS.



TECHNOLOGY IS ONLY PART OF THE SECURITY PICTURE



TECHNOLOGY



PEOPLE



PROCESS

TECHNICAL SYSTEMS ARE:

REVIEWED

SCANNED

PENETRATION TESTED

PROCESSES ARE AUDITED





WHAT ABOUT PEOPLE?

IN THIS TALK

1. WHY IS HUMAN-CENTRIC SECURITY SO COMPLEX?

2. ARE THE CURRENT SOLUTIONS EFFECTIVE?

3. A FUTURE FILLED WITH HOPE AND SCARY QUESTIONS?

THE PROBLEM WITH PEOPLE



HUMAN VULNERABILITY IS NATURAL

**HUMANS ARE SUFFICIENTLY PREDICTABLE
TO MAKE IT SUITABLY ANNOYING
WHEN WE FAIL TO
PREDICT THEIR BEHAVIOUR.**

MODERN APPROACHES

A close-up photograph of two hands cupped together, palms facing each other. Water is dripping from the space between the hands, falling towards the bottom of the frame. The background is solid black, which makes the skin tones and the water droplets stand out. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the texture of the skin and the individual droplets of water.

BORDER DEVICES ARE NOT ENOUGH



**SECURITY
AWARENESS
EDUCATION REALLY
SUCKS**

POSTERS DON'T WORK

STOP IT ALREADY.

**Treat your password like your
toothbrush...**

**Don't share it with others!
Change it often!**





COMPLIANCE HAS US RACING TO THE BOTTOM



RED TEAMING AND SOCIAL ENGINEERING PENETRATION TESTS

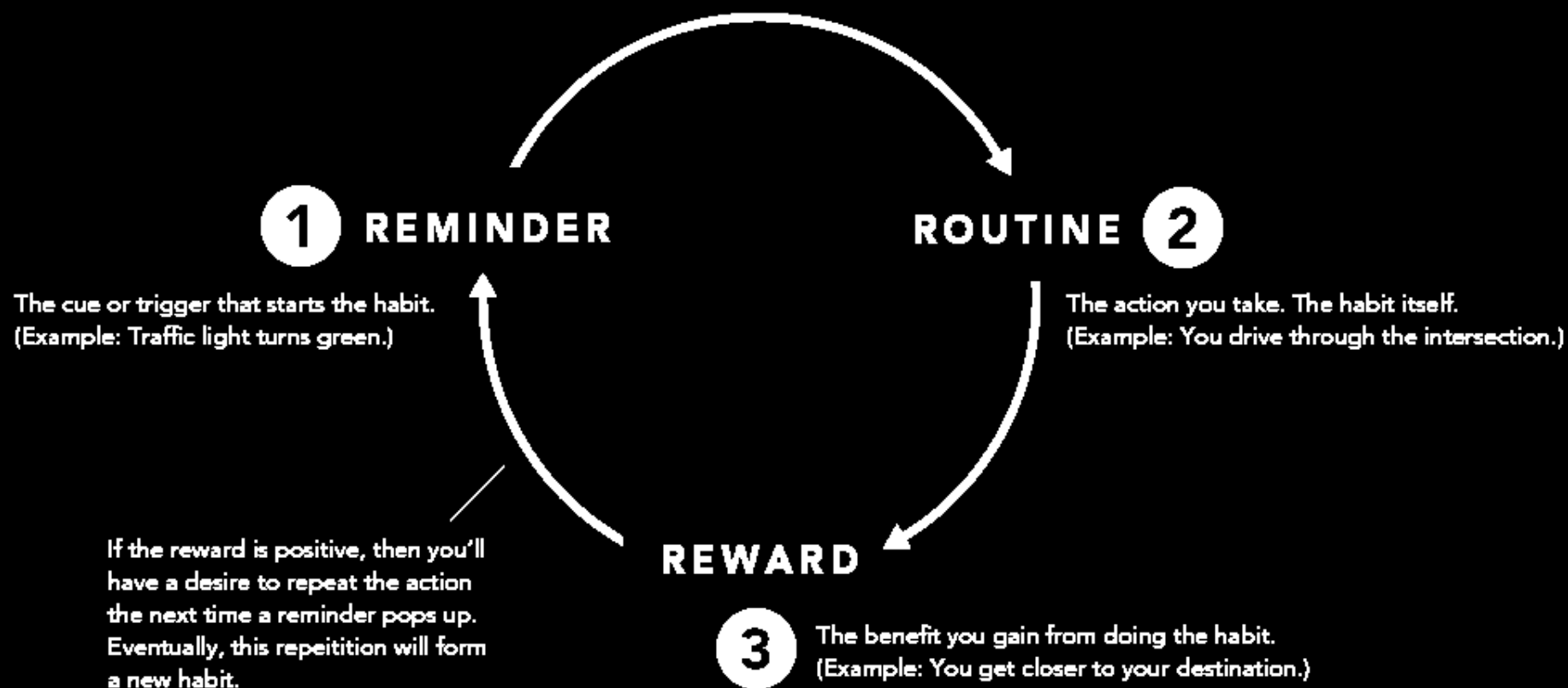
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POWERED BY THINKST

OUTSOURCED PHISHING PROGRAMMES

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THE 3 R'S OF HABIT FORMATION



LIMITATIONS

1. **TARGET CONNECTIVITY IGNORED**
2. **TEACHING OUTSIDE OF THE WORK ENVIRONMENT**
3. **LACK OF REINFORCEMENT TO BUILD HABIT AND BEHAVIOURS**
4. **LACK OF MEASUREMENT**
5. **LACK OF CONTEXT**

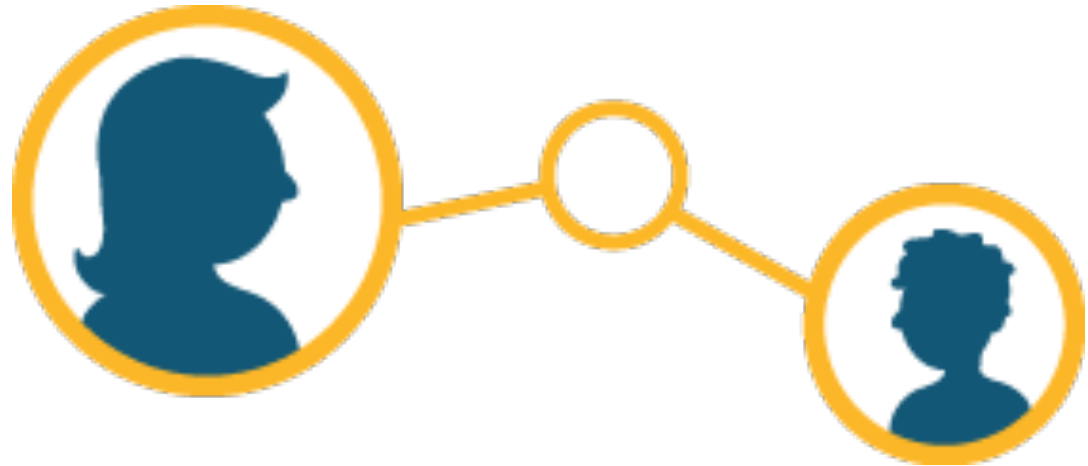
AVA

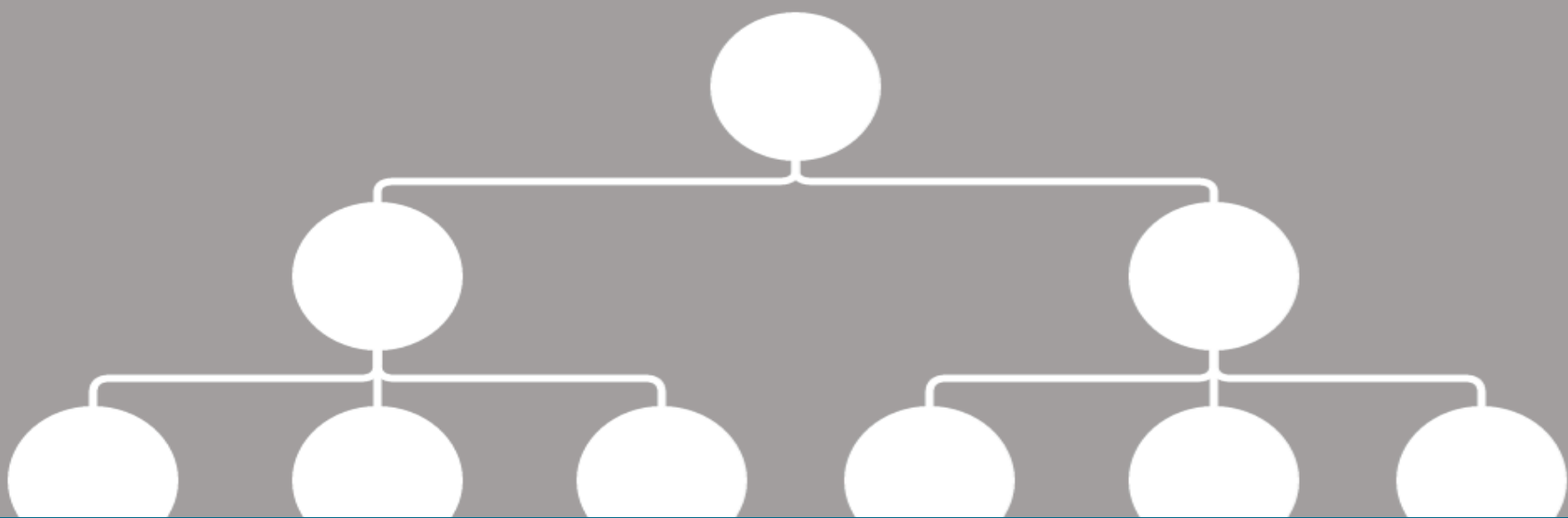
AVA
FIRST GENERATION
PROOF OF CONCEPT
3- PHASE
AUTOMATED
HUMAN VULNERABILITY
SCANNER



PHASE 1

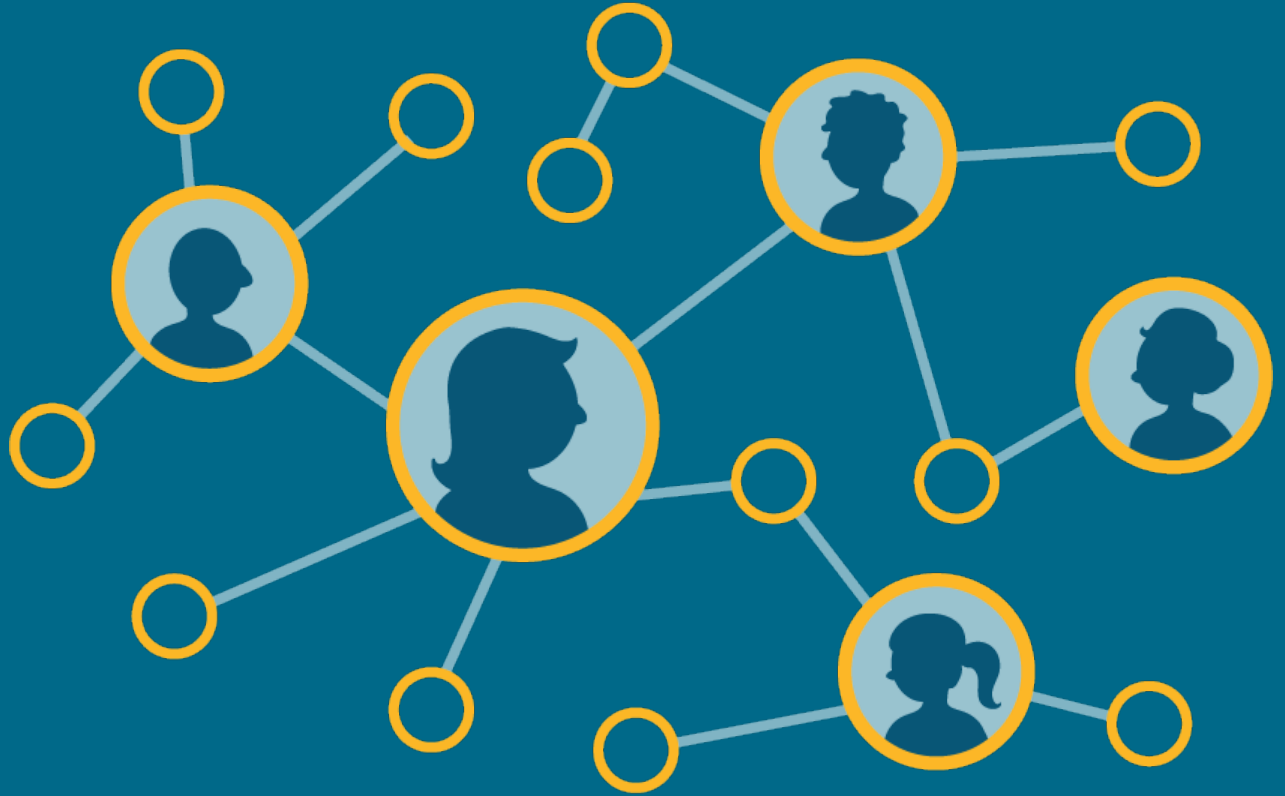
KNOW





WE DON'T KNOW WHAT OUR ORGANISATIONS LOOK LIKE

**HUMAN
SECURITY
RISK IS
MAGNIFIED
BY
CONNECTION**



ACTIVE DIRECTORY

TWITTER

LINKEDIN

FACEBOOK

EMAIL PROVIDERS



PEOPLE

IDENTIFIERS

GROUPS

RELATIONSHIPS

DATA

FRIENDS

LAST LOGIN

LOCATION

CONTACTS

PW EXPIRES?

TIME STAMPS

FREQUENCY

DISABLED?

SENDER

ALIASES

INFLUENCE

RECEIVER

PROFILES

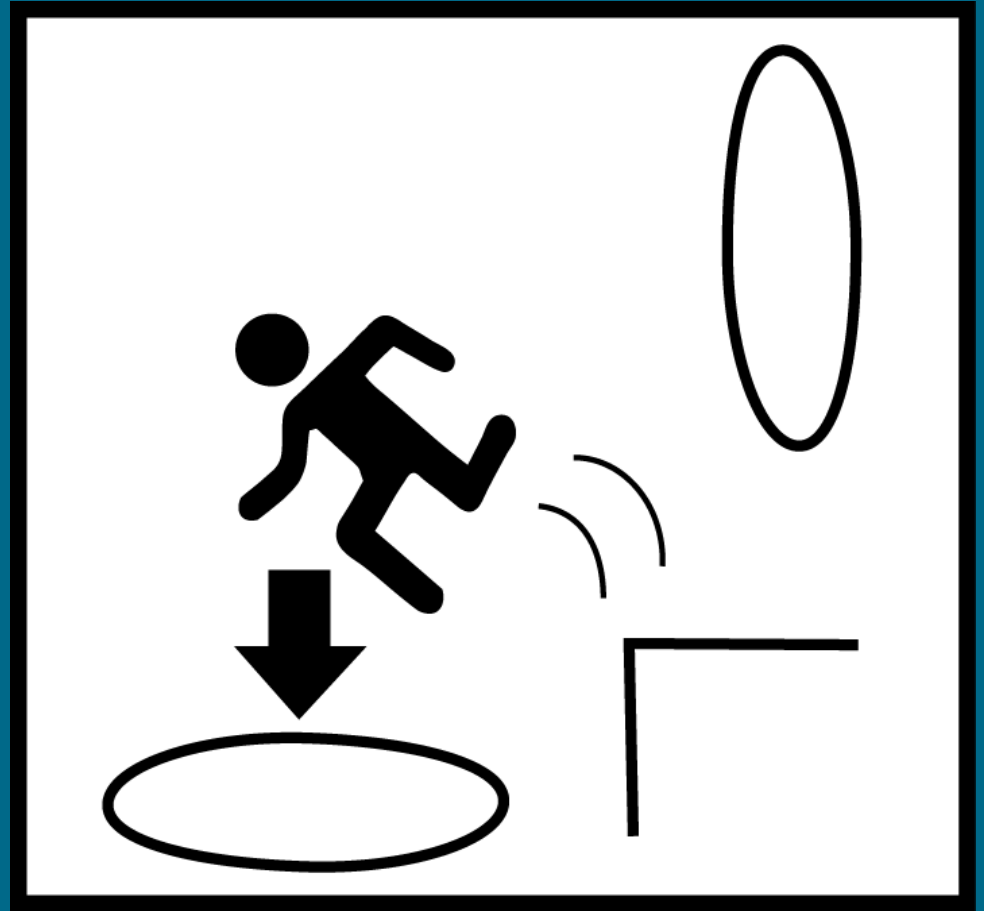
ADMIN?

USER AGENT

PHASE 2
TEST



**THREAT
INJECTION
AND
BEHAVIOUR
MONITORING**



EMAIL

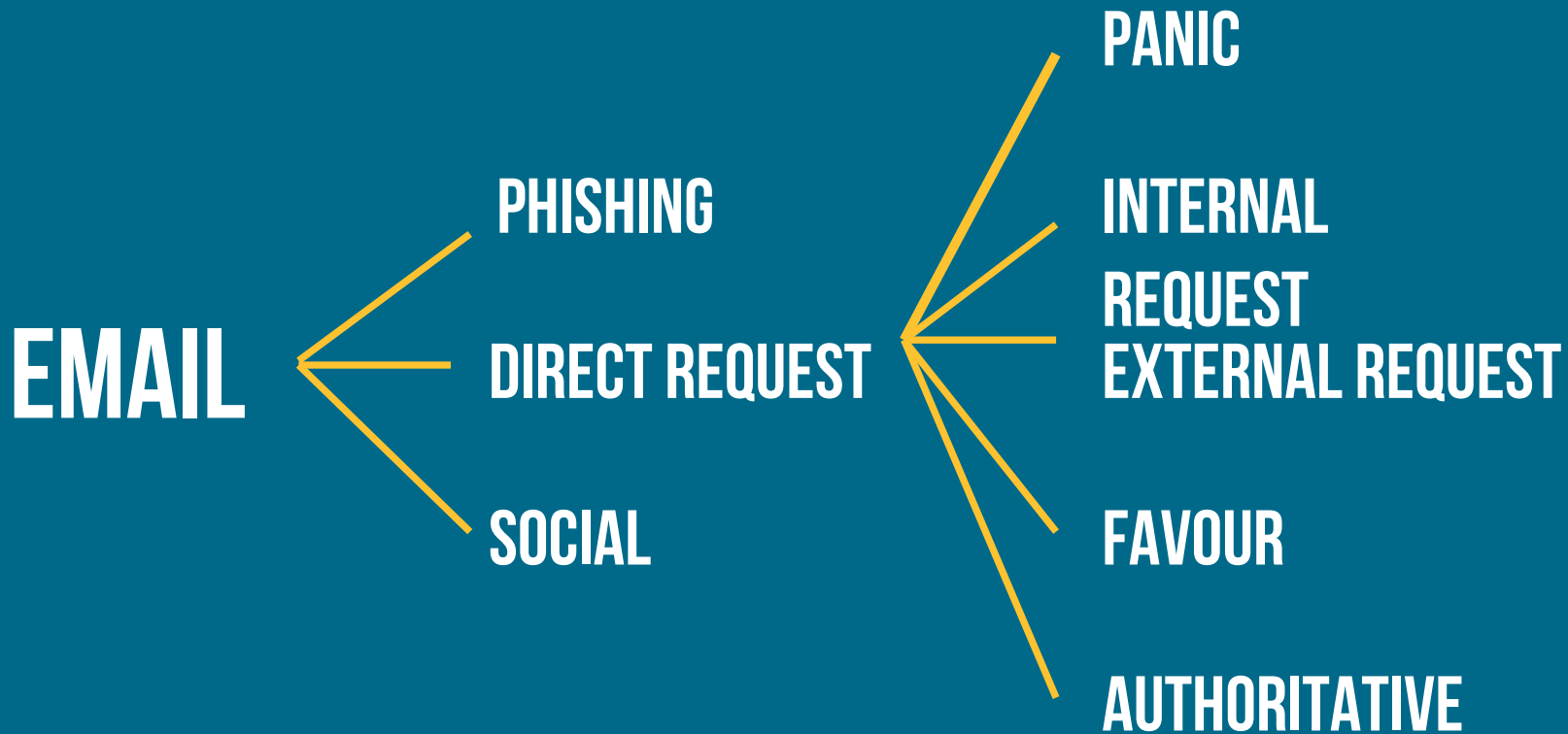
SOCIAL NETWORKS

REMOVABLE MEDIA

FILES AND HONEYPOTS

SMS

ATTACK VECTORS THAT MEAN SOMETHING



EMAIL ATTACKS THAT GO BEYOND PHISHING

The URL may be different on different messages.

Subject: Security Alert: Update Java (*See Kronos Note)

Date: February 22, 2013

USER GENERATED AND PUBLICLY SOURCED ATTACKS

If you require assistance, please contact the Help Center.

Oracle has released an update for Java that fixes 50 security holes, including a

critical hole currently being exploited in the wild.

The IT Security Office strongly recommends that you update Java as



REMOVING THE **BOUNDARIES** BETWEEN BUSINESS AND PERSONAL

SECURITY FAILS WHEN IT IS TREATED LIKE A SPECIAL EVENT



INSTANT, SCHEDULED AND RECURRING

**GIVE THE OPTION OF SUCCEEDING
AND REINFORCE GOOD BEHAVIOURS**



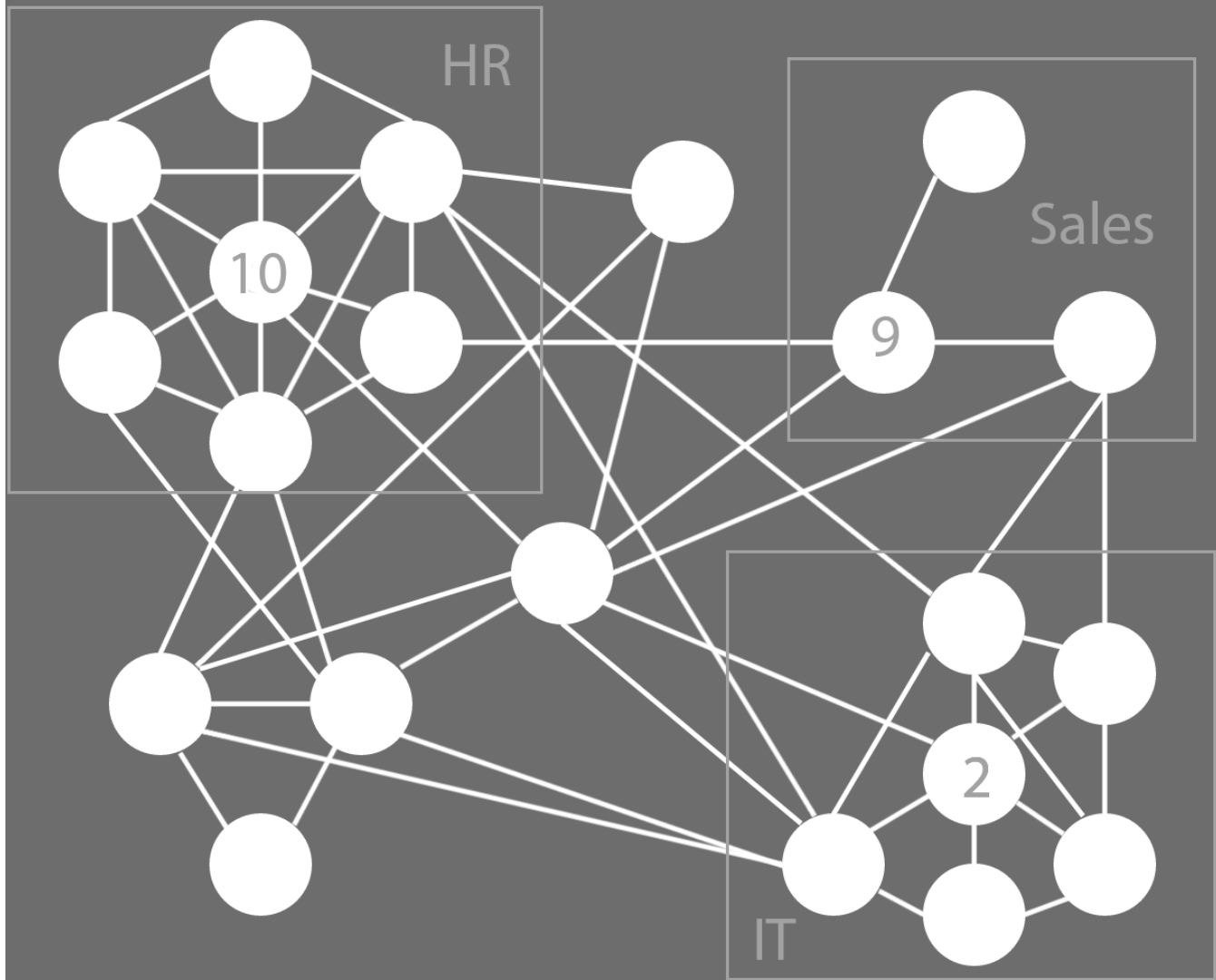
PHASE 3

ANALYSE

BEHAVIOUR VS. TIME



MEASURING IMPACT OF TRAINING

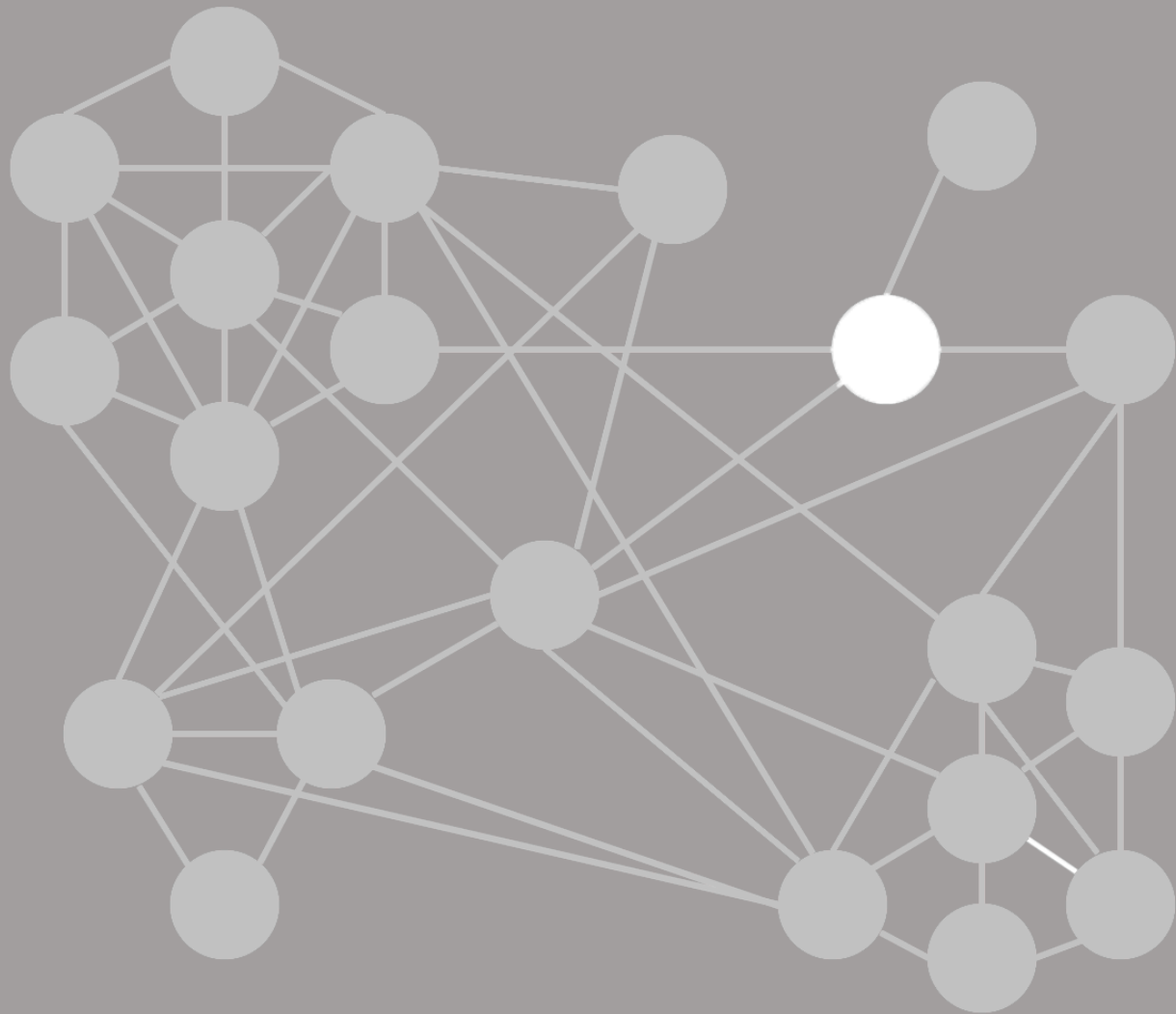


**AND NOW FOR SOMETHING A
LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT**



BRIDGES, **WEAK LINKS AND TARGETING**

PIVOTING AND PROPAGATION



YOU KNOW WHAT WOULD BE FUN?



PREDICTIVE RISK BEHAVIOUR ANALYSIS

TECHNOLOGIES

- DJANGO
- POSTGRESQL
- CELERY
- REDIS
- BOOTSTRAP
- OPEN SOURCE
- GPL
- DOCKER
- INTEGRATES WITH EXCHANGE, AD AND GOOGLE APPS FOR BUSINESS

DEMO

DEAR DEMO GODS

PLEASE BE KIND.

HERE IS A KITTEN.

I HOPE IT APPEASES YOU.

**FROM
LAURA**



CASE STUDIES

THE PROCESS

- CANDIDATE AND VOLUNTEER REQUESTS SUBMITTED TO SOCIAL MEDIA AND CONTACTS
- VOLUNTEERS BRIEFED
- REMOVED VOLUNTEERS INCLUDING CHILDREN, STUDENTS OR HEALTH DATA
- ACTIVE DIRECTORY USERS AND GROUPS COLLECTED FROM ACTIVE DIRECTORY SERVER AND STORED IN JSON FILES
- JSON FILES PROCESSED TO REMOVE PERSONAL INFORMATION
- AVA KNOW USED TO PARSE AND IDENTIFY PATTERNS

[SWITCH TO CASE STUDY]

BE YOUR OWN CASE STUDY

DETAILS, INSTRUCTIONS AND SCRIPTS AVAILABLE

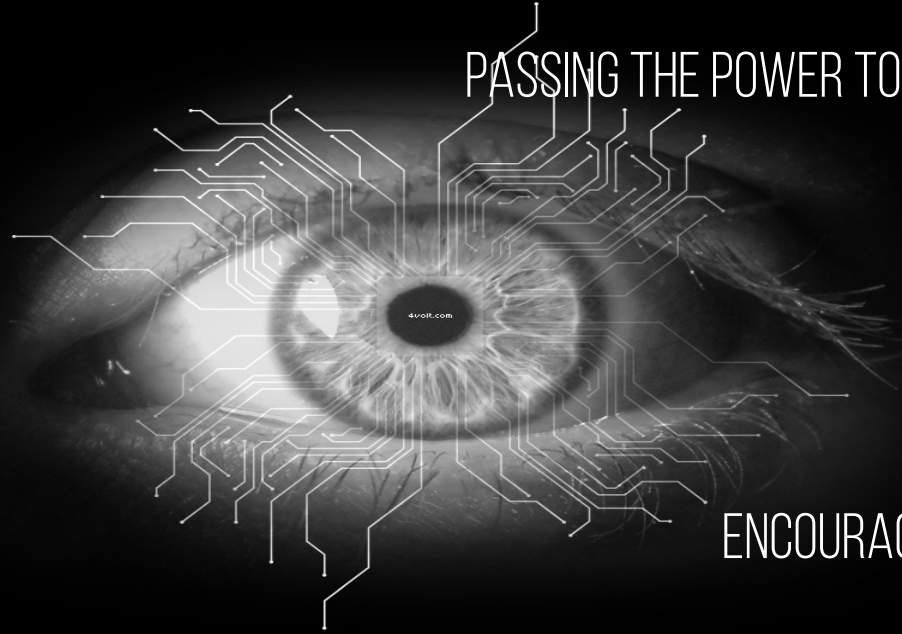
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CHALLENGES

PRIVACY

BALANCE BETWEEN WHAT YOU NEED TO SEE
AND WHAT YOU'D LIKE TO SEE

PASSING THE POWER TO THE PEOPLE NOT THE
MANAGERS



ENCOURAGING COMMUNITY AND
COLLABORATION

OPENNESS, HONESTY AND PLAIN ENGLISH

ALIAS MANAGEMENT



CONVINCING ACCOUNTS

ACCOUNTS NEED HISTORY

MAY BE COMPROMISED
AT ANY TIME

MOMENTUM

NEW SHINY TOYS NEVER HAVE A LONG LIFE SPAN

SMALL ACTIONS ON A REGULAR BASIS

SCHEDULING AND AUTOMATION

GAMIFICATION AND INCENTIVES.



WHERE NEXT?

FROM RESEARCH PROJECT TO REAL LIFE

TESTING
CONTINUOUS INTEGRATION
ROADMAP DEVELOPMENT
FEATURE DEVELOPMENT

SECURITY CULTURE CHANGE AS A SERVICE?

COLLABORATION

IF YOU ARE READING THIS AND WORK FOR
THESE PLACES, WE WANT TO TALK

GOOGLE
FACEBOOK
TWITTER
LINKEDIN
MICROSOFT

PLUS

ANY ORGANIZATION THAT WANTS TO DO SAFE,
CONSENSUAL HUMAN SECURITY SCIENCE



WHAT ABOUT PEOPLE?

TL;DR

1. HUMAN-CENTRIC SECURITY IS COMPLEX

2. AVA HOPES TO BRING A NEW APPROACH, GET INVOLVED

3. WATCH THIS SPACE, MUCH MORE TO COME

LEARN MORE OR **GET INVOLVED**

@avasecure

[HTTP://AVASECURE.COM](http://avasecure.com)

OPEN SOURCE (GPL)

[HTTPS://GITHUB.COM/SAFESTACK/AVA](https://github.com/safestack/ava)

NOW WITH DOCKER BUILD





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