



VULNERABILITY BRIEFING

ICS/OT CYBERSECURITY

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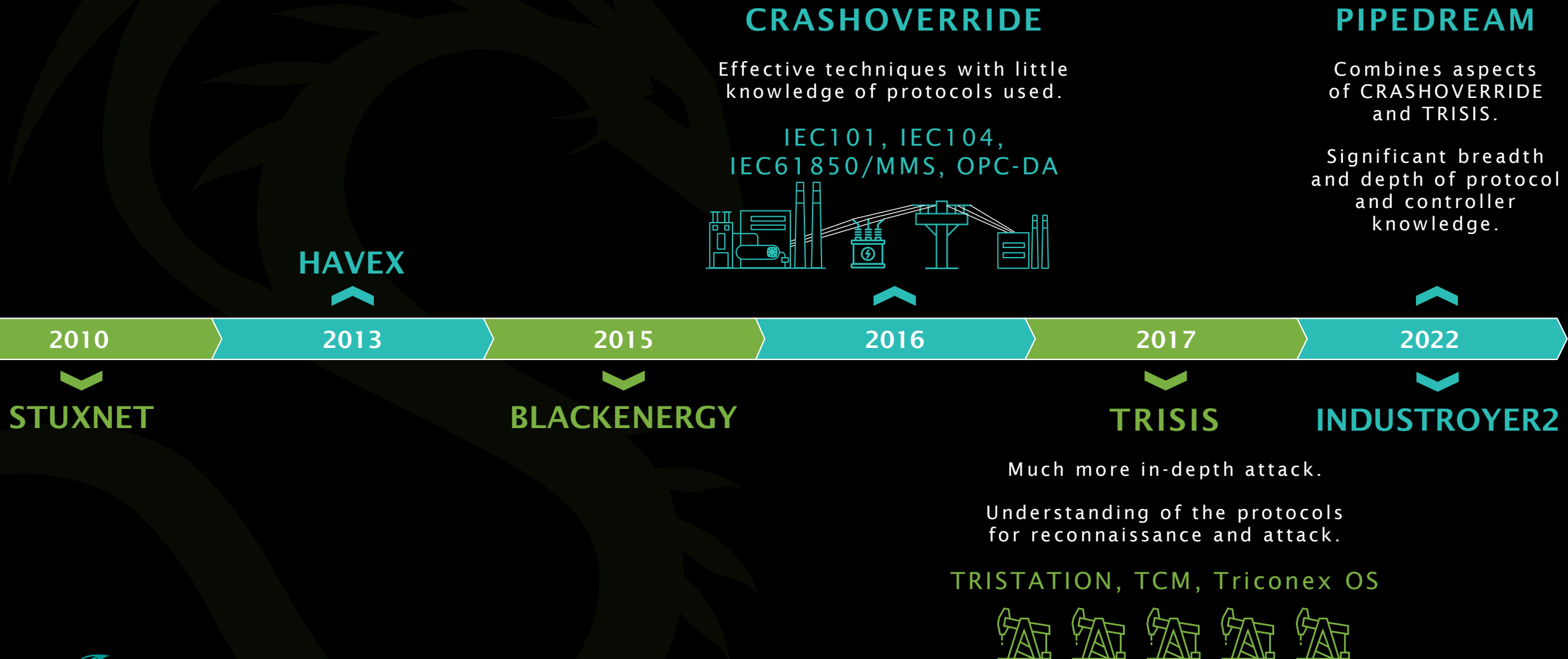
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MALWARE HEADLINES

History of ICS Malware



CHERNOVITE'S PIPEDREAM MALWARE

CAPABLE OF DISRUPTIVE & DESTRUCTIVE ICS/OT IMPACT



1st
scalable,
cross-industry
OT attack
toolkit

7th
ICS/OT
targeting
malware

Discovered
before it was
employed for
destructive
purposes

INITIAL ACCESS	EXECUTION	PERSISTENCE	PRIVILEGE ESCALATION	EVASION	DISCOVERY	LATERAL MOVEMENT	COLLECTION	COMMAND & CONTROL	INHIBIT RESPONSE FUNCTION	IMPACT PROCESS CONTROL	IMPACT
Data Historian Compromise	Change Operating System	Modify Program	Exploitation for Privilege Escalation	Change Operating Mode	Network Connection Enumeration	Default Credentials	Automated Collection	Commonly Used Port	Activate Firmware Update Mode	Brute Force I/O	Damage to Property
Drive-by Compromise	Command Line Interface	Module Firmware	Hooking	Exploitation for Evasion	Network Sniffing	Exploitation of Remote Services	Data from Information Responses	Connection Proxy	Alarm Suppression	Modify Parameter	Denial of Control
Improving Workstation	Execution Threshold alert	Project File Injection		Indicator Removal	Remote System	Lateral Tool Transfer	Detect Operating	Standard Application	Block Command	Module Firmware	Denial of View
Power Plant											
Process Control											
SCADA											
Supervisory Control											
Threat Detection											
Workstation											
Reggie Master	User Execution						Screen Capture		Manipulate I/O Image		Loss of View
Spooling Attachment							Wireless Sniffing		Modify Alarm Settings		Manipulation of Control
Supply Chain Compromise									Rootkit		Manipulation of View
Wireless Compromise									Service Stop		Threat of Operational System
									System Firmware		

CHERNOVITE CAN EXECUTE 46%
OF MITRE ATT&CK FOR ICS
TECHNIQUES WITH PIPEDREAM

EVILSCHOLAR & BADOMEN



Are extensible -
this is rare.

1000s of CODESYS devices
across multiple sectors at risk

MOUSEHOLE



Manipulates OPC-UA server
nodes & associated devices.

OPC-UA is a widely used
communication protocol in ICS/OT

DUSTTUNNEL & LAZYCARGO



Demonstrate that CHERNOVITE
can achieve an end-to-end attack.

PIPEDREAM COMPONENTS



EVILSCHOLAR

Designed to discover, access, manipulate, and disable CODESYS devices. Initial targeting of Schneider Electric devices.



BADOMEN

Designed to scan, identify, interact, and manipulate Omron PLCs



MOUSEHOLE

Tool for interacting with OPC UA servers. Designed to read and write node attribute data, enumerate the Server Namespace and associated Nodetids, and brute force credentials.

Windows Components



DUSTTUNNEL

Remote operational implant to perform host reconnaissance and command-and-control.



LAZYCARGO

User-mode Windows executable that drops and exploits a vulnerable ASRock driver to load an unsigned driver.

INITIAL TARGETS

OMRON

NX1P2 Compact Machine Controller
NX-SL3300 Safety Controller
NJ501-1300 Automation Controller
NX-ECC EtherCAT Coupler
NX-EIC202 Ethernet/IP Coupler
NX-ECC203 EtherCAT Coupler
S8VK Power Supply
1S-series Servo Drives

Schneider Electric

TM251 PLC
TM241 PLC
TM221 PLC
TM258 PLC
TM238 PLC
LMC058 Motion Controller
LMC078 Motion Controller

ICS Protocols

CODESYS
Schneider Discovery (NetManage)
Modbus
Omron FINS
OPC UA

Vulnerabilities, Exposures, and Susceptibilities

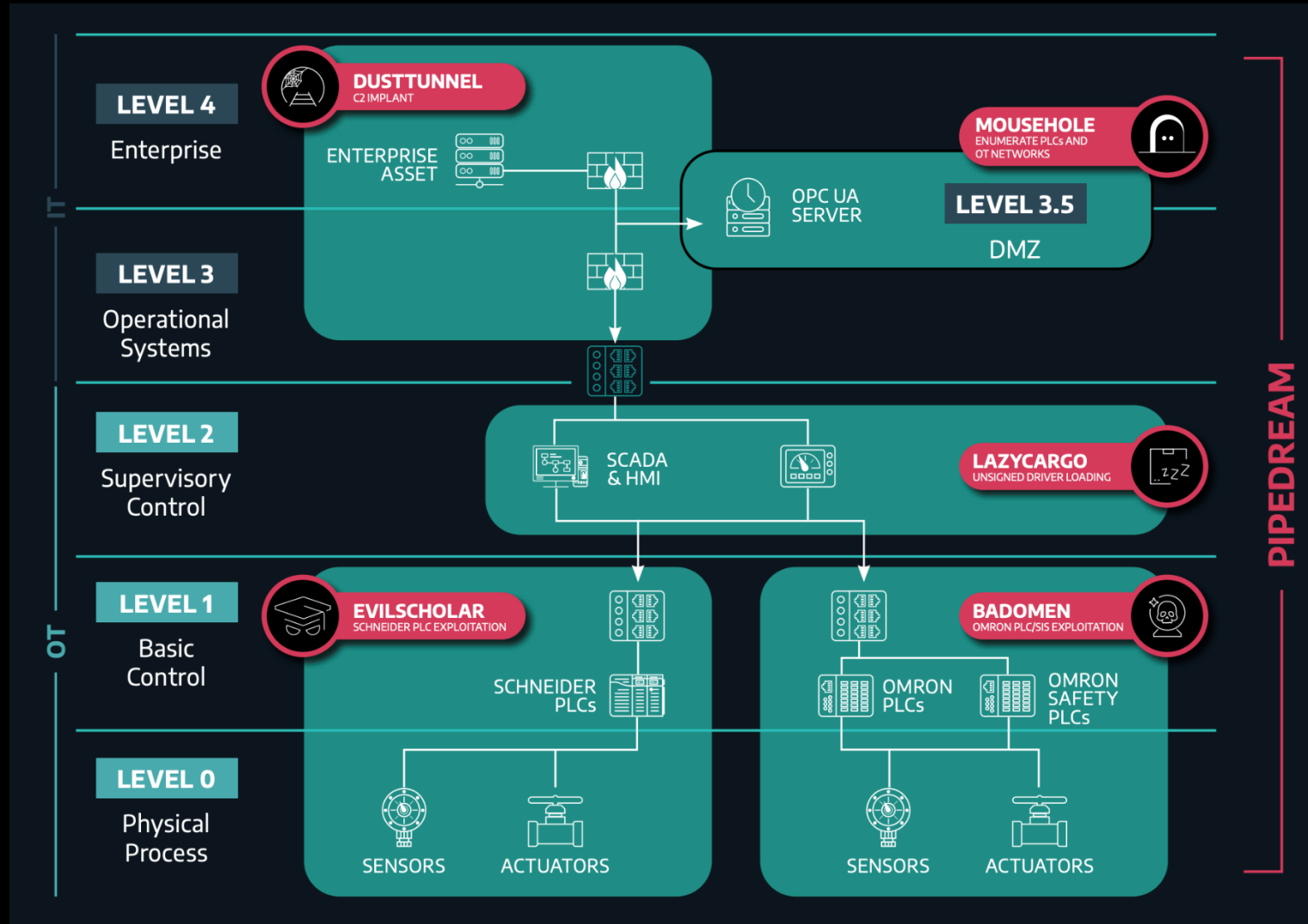
CVE-2020-15368 LAZYCARGO
utilizes this CVE to load
an unsigned driver

**CVE-2019-5106/
CVE-2019-9013**
and undisclosed vulns
in CODESYS/Schneider

CVE-2022-34151
Hardcoded Creds in
Omron devices



AN EXAMPLE DEPLOYMENT



INDUSTROYER 2

6th

Sixth known ICS-specific malware



INDUSTROYER2 is a **new variant** of CRASHOVERRIDE with fewer capabilities



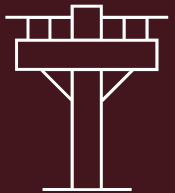
CRASHOVERRIDE caused the **Kiev power disruption** in December 2016



Developed by ELECTRUM

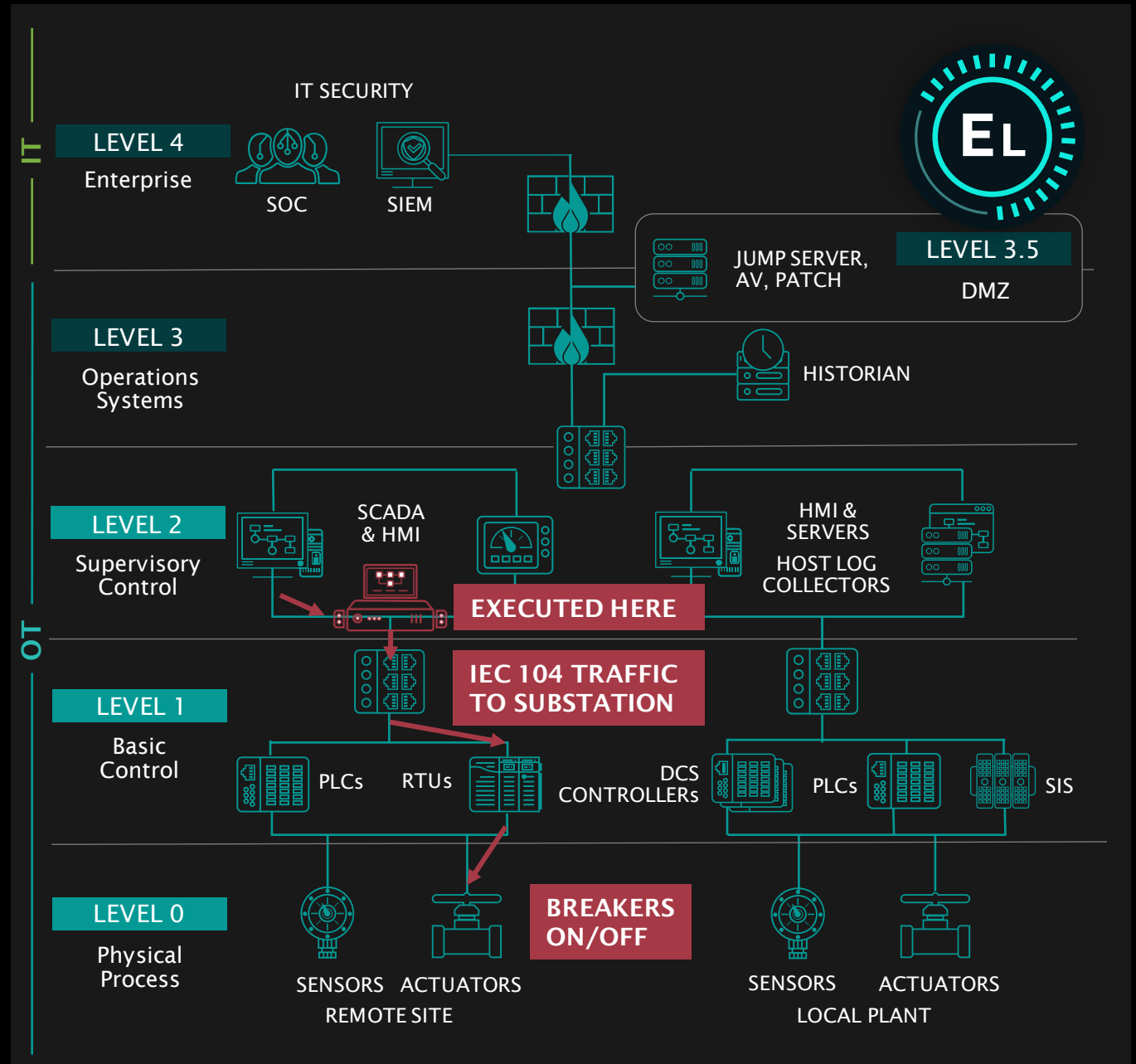
INDUSTROYER 2

- Targeted substations and hardcoded configuration includes 3 IP addresses
- Likely had a detailed understanding of the victim's environment before deploying



IEC 104 IS A TCP/IP NETWORK PROTOCOL COMMONLY USED IN ICS/SCADA ENVIRONMENTS IN THE ELECTRIC SECTOR.

Used for communications between control stations & substations for gathering information, monitoring power, & making control changes across the network.

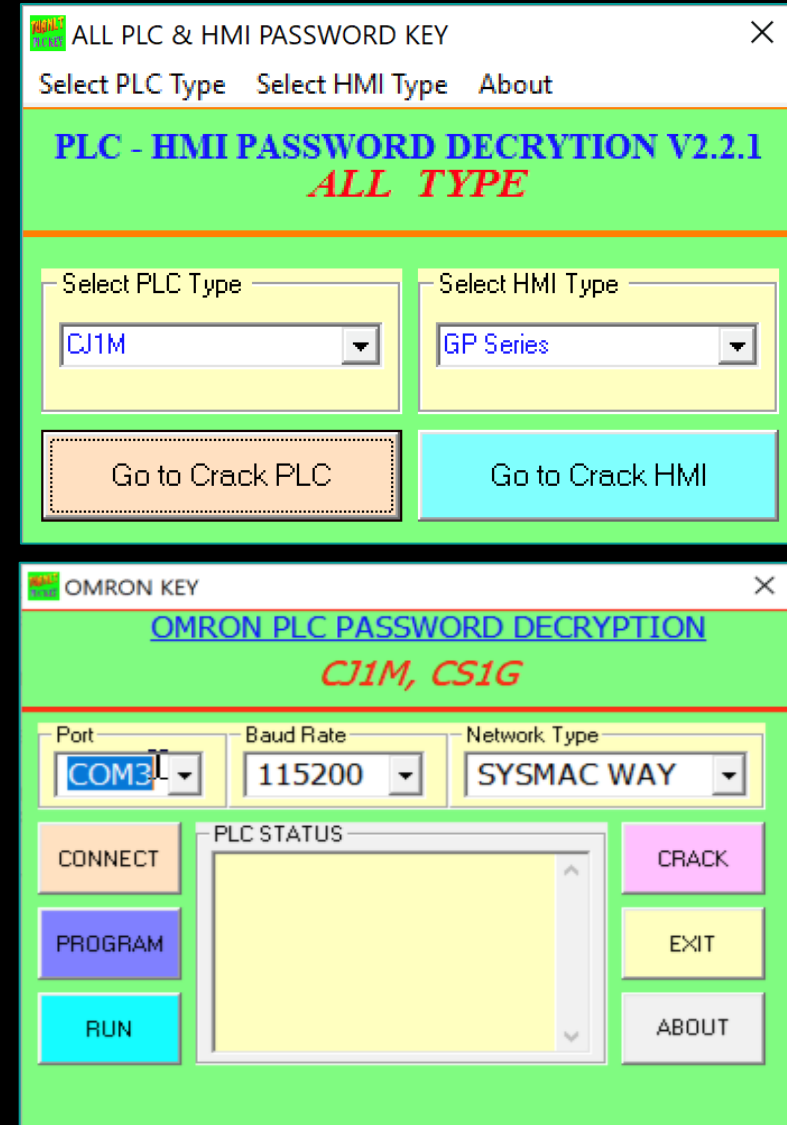


PASSWORD CRACKING SOFTWARE

Ads on social media for:
Programmable Logic Controller (PLC), Human-Machine Interface (HMI), and project file password cracking software

One sample on VirusTotal embedded ~44 exploits targeting various systems.

But why would someone download this type of software?



Claimed Product Support

HMIs



Fuji Electric POD UG
Fuji Electric Hako
Mitsubishi Electric GT 1020 Series
Mitsubishi Electric GOT F930
Mitsubishi Electric GOT F940
Mitsubishi Electric GOT 1055
Pro-Face GP Pro-Face
Weintek
IDEC Corporation HG2S-FF

PLCs



Automation Direct DirectLogic 06
Omron CP1H
Omron C200HX
Omron C200H
Omron CPM2*
Omron CPM1A
Omron CQM1H
Omron CJ1M
Siemens S7-200
Siemens LOGO! 0AB6
Delta Automation DVP, ES, EX, SS2, EC Series
Mitsubishi Electric Q02 Series
Mitsubishi Electric FX Series (3U and 3G)
Allen Bradley MicroLogix 1000
Panasonic NAIS F P0
Fatek FBe and FBs Series
LG K80S
LG K120S
Vigor VB
Vigor VH

Project Files



Siemens S7-200 (*.mwp)
ABB Codesys (*.pro)
Pro-Face GP (*.prw)
Fuji Electric V-SFT

ANALYZING THE ROOT CAUSES



AUTOMATION DIRECT'S DIRECTLOGIC



MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC'S Q SERIES



OMRON'S CJ1M

Protocols Lacking
Authentication on
Critical Functions

Undocumented
Protocol
Commands

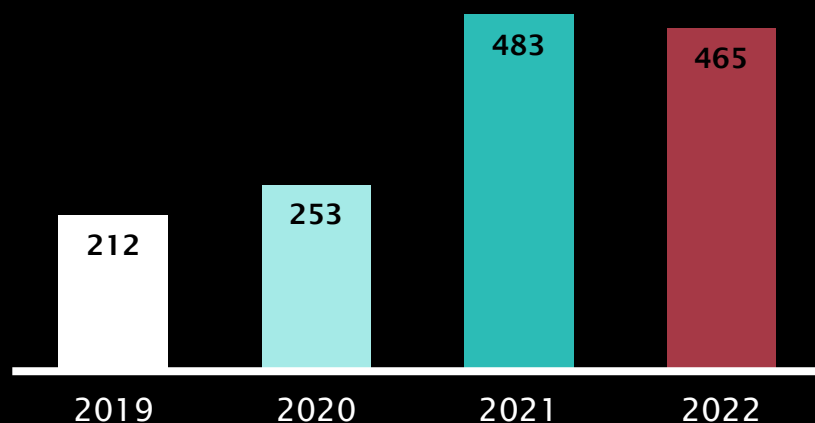
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STATE OF ICS VULNERABILITIES

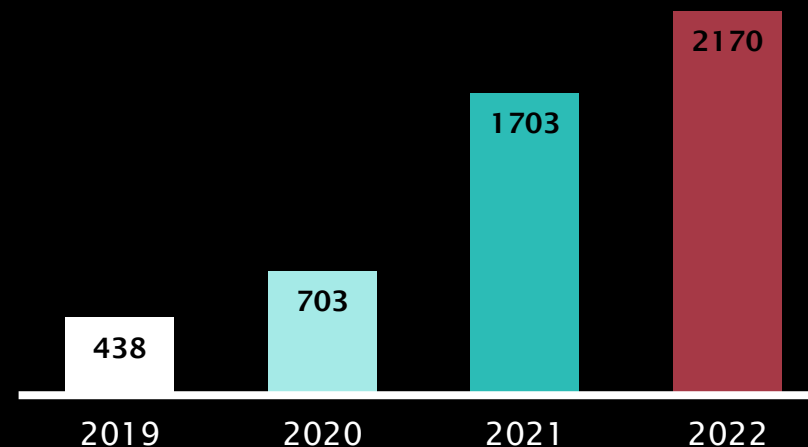
WE LOOKED AT 2170 CVEs IN 2022

THE NUMBER OF VULNERABILITIES KEEPS GROWING YEAR OVER YEAR - THANK YOU CYBERSECURITY RESEARCHERS OF THE WORLD!

Advisories by Year

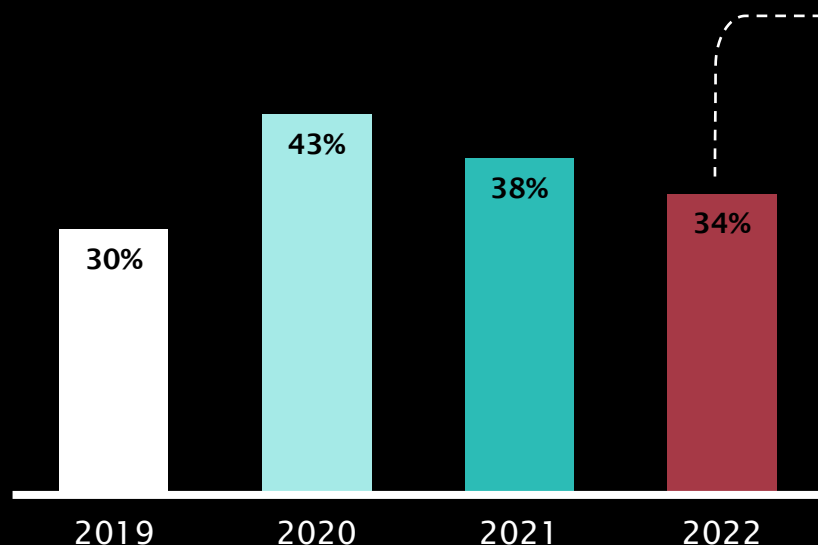


CVEs by Year



THE STATE OF ICS/OT VULNERABILITIES

ERRORS COULD CAUSE ASSET OWNERS AND OPERATORS TO WASTE RESOURCES ON LOW-RISK VULNERABILITIES OVER MORE SEVERE ONES.

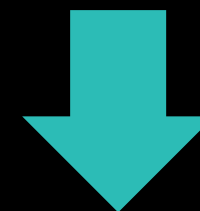


Dragos analyzed 465 advisories

34% had incorrect data

**70% Dragos
found to be
MORE SEVERE
than the CVSS
score**

29% Dragos
found to be
LESS SEVERE



CVSS CORRECTIONS

Information Disclosure: Credential exposure through captured network traffic.

Dragos Score Correction

Dragos (Score: 6.5)

AV:A/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:N/A:N

Original Scores Given

(Score: 7.6)

AV:A/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:L/A:L

i.e. AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:N/I:N/A:N

(Score: 9.8)



AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H

WHERE DO VULNERABILITIES RESIDE?

15%

LEVEL 3.5, 4, & 5



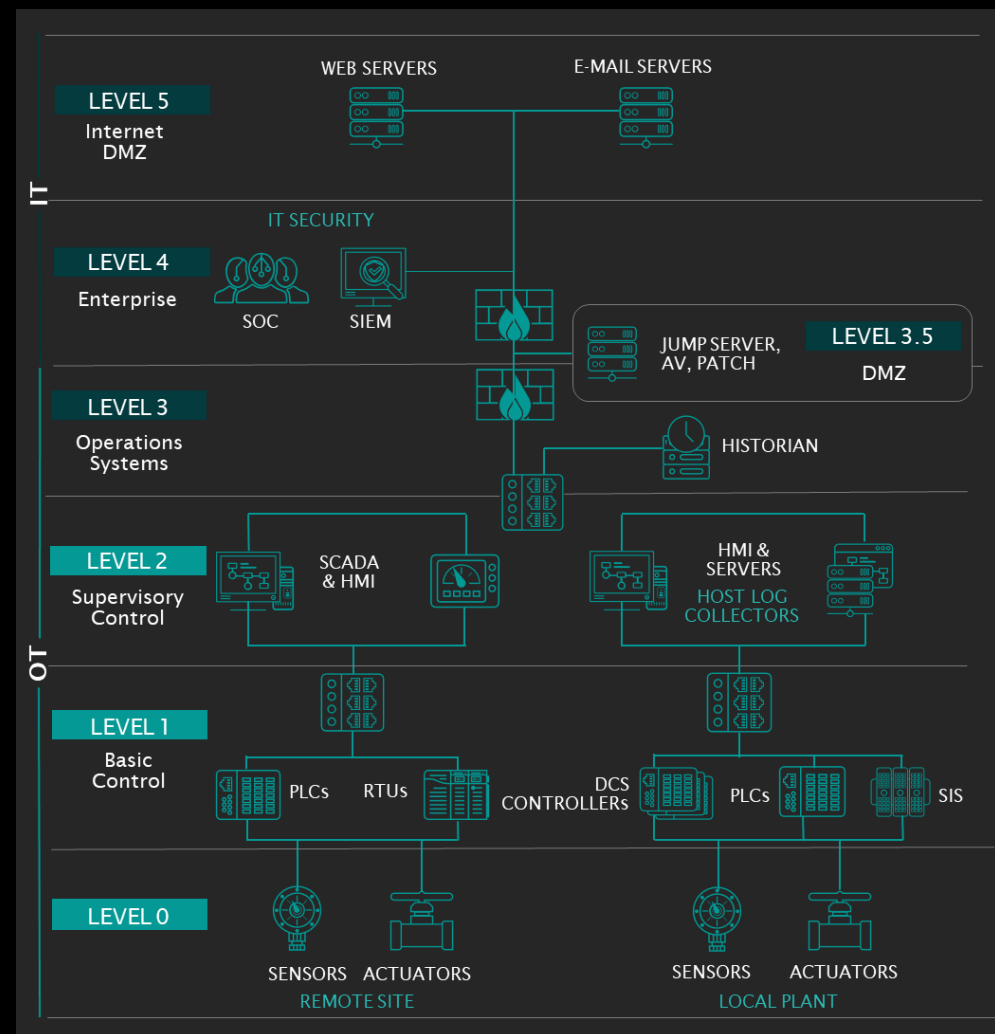
63%

LEVEL 2 & 3



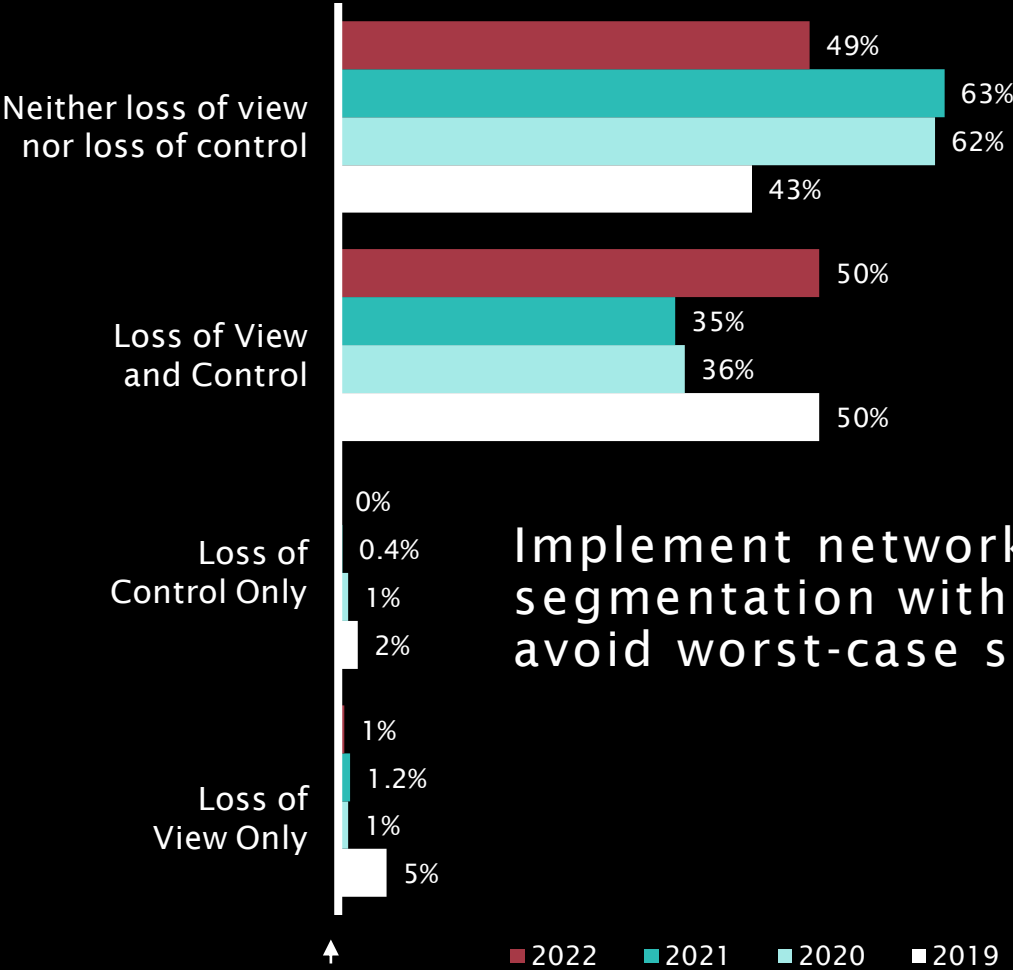
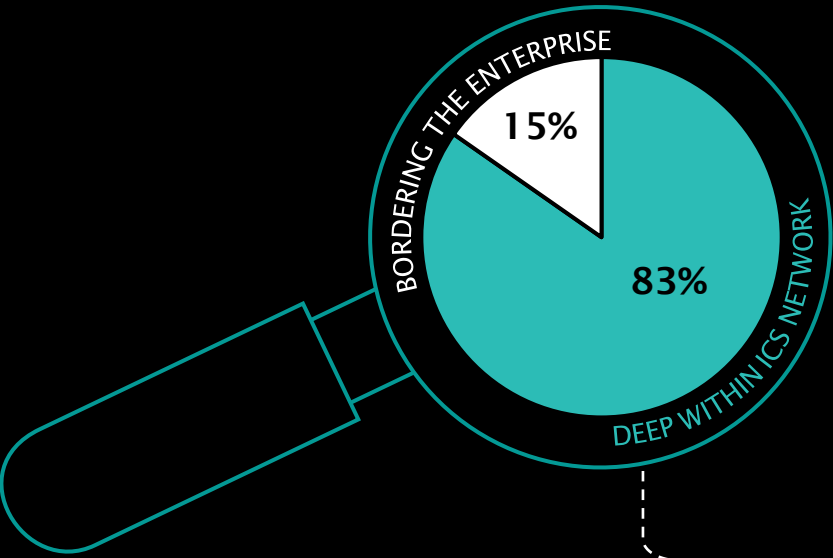
9%

LEVEL 0 & 1



OT IMPACTS

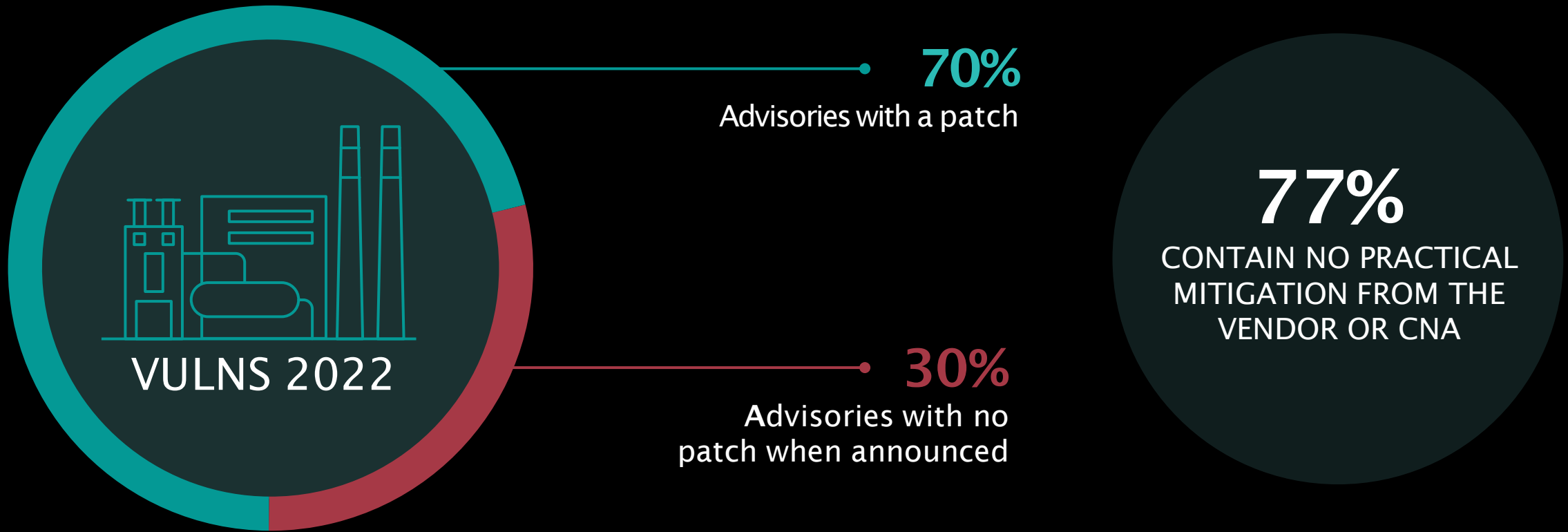
ADVERSARIES NEED INITIAL ACCESS TO OT NETWORKS TO COMPROMISE VULNERABILITIES DEEP WITHIN THE ICS NETWORK



Implement network segmentation with MFA to avoid worst-case scenarios

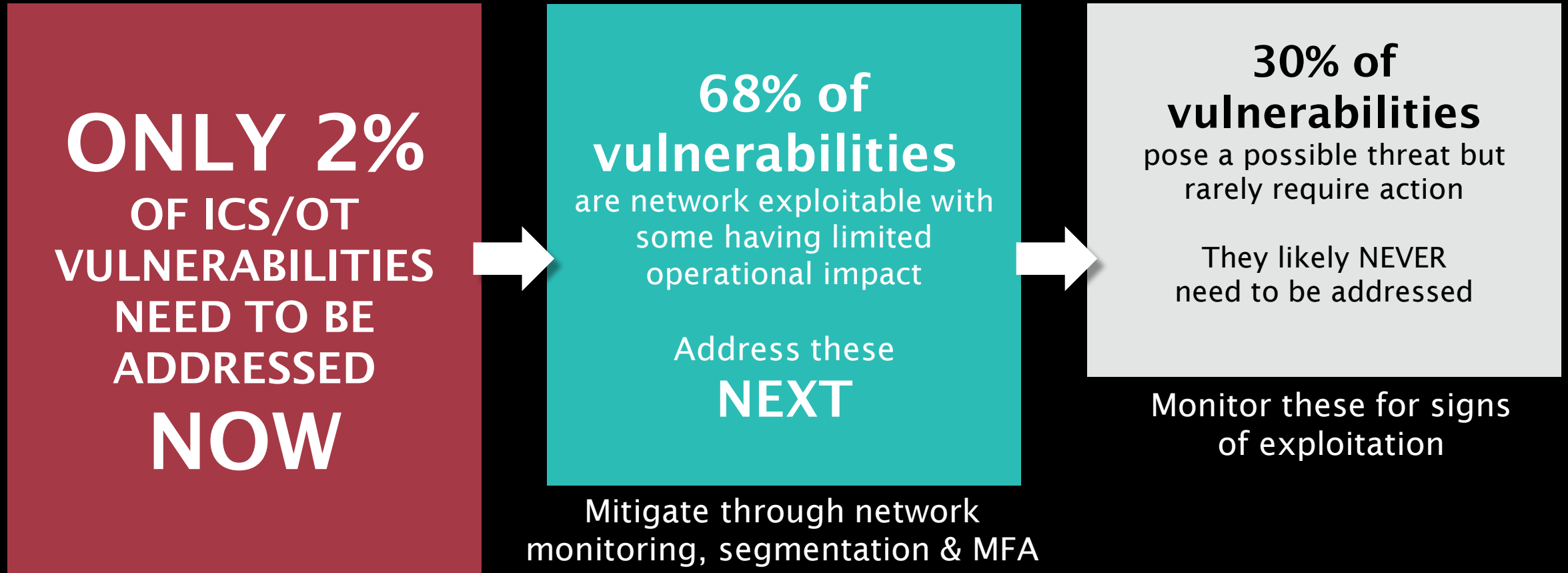
PRACTICAL RISK MITIGATION IN ICS/OT

PATCHING CAN BE IMPRACTICAL IN ICS/OT DUE TO SAFETY & PRODUCTION REQUIREMENTS, ALTERNATIVE MITIGATION IS KEY



CONSEQUENCE-BASED VULNERABILITY MANAGEMENT

FOCUS REMEDIATION EFFORTS ON VULNERABILITIES WITH OPERATIONAL IMPACT OR KNOWN TO BE ACTIVELY TARGETED BY ADVERSARIES.



DRAGOS APPROACH TO VULNERABILITY ANALYSIS & MANAGEMENT

OUR PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY

How Dragos Vulnerability Team Assists OT Vulnerability Management

We focus our analysis on OT impacts

We help asset owners decide what's important

We work with vendors

WE WORK WITH VENDORS

- When we find vulns, we work patiently and closely with vendors for responsible disclosure
- If we have questions about the details of a vendor's advisory, we will reach out for more detail
- OT vendors are still working through the growing pains of vuln management
- We partner with vendors to eliminate friction in these processes



FOCUS ANALYSIS ON OT IMPACTS

- Often, advisories will lack critical information that could help defenders understand and mitigate the issues
 - Alternative mitigations
 - Port numbers and services used
 - Entry points used for exploitation
- What are the OT-specific impacts?
- Is the advisory accurate?



PRIORITIZING VULNERABILITIES

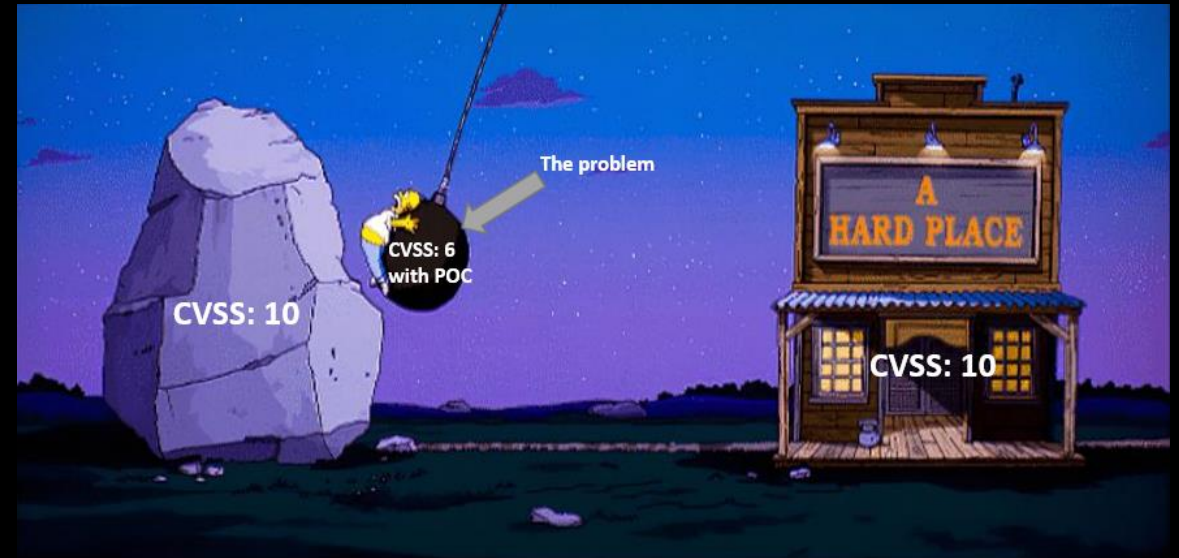
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All vulns are not created equal.

CVSS scores were not designed for OT.

We take into consideration:

- Severity
- OT impacts
- Ease of exploitation
- Events in the wild
- & much more



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TAKEWAYS & RECOMMENDATIONS

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PIPEDREAM brings forward a new extensible and modular OT focused malware framework that advances attack philosophies first showcased with CRASHOVERRIDE and TRISIS

CHERNOVITE presents a concerning threat to all ICS organizations

Dragos tracked threat groups continue to target ICS entities with both old and new capabilities

TAKEAWAY & RECOMMENDATIONS

Downloading
password cracking
software is a bad idea

All vulns aren't
created equal and
patching isn't always
the right solution

Dragos vuln
management insights
and recommendations
are best in class

RECOMMENDATIONS

SANS

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THE FIVE
ICS CYBER
SECURITY
CRITICAL
CONTROLS

01

ICS Incident Response Plan

02

Defensible Architecture

03

ICS Network Monitoring Visibility

04

Secure Remote Access

05

Risk-based Vulnerability Management



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