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FORWARD THINKING COMPANIES

# About SLAIT

SLAIT is an Information Technology Consulting Services Company specializing in delivering customized IT Services and Solutions to clients in the Commercial, State\Local Government and Education sectors.

- Serving clients for over 26 years
- \$100M revenue
- 350+ Resources
- Headquartered in Virginia Beach, VA with regional offices in:
  - Richmond, VA
  - Greenbelt, MD
  - Charlotte, NC
  - Raleigh, NC





Innovative Solutions for Forward Thinking Companies

# Some of SLAIT's Technology Partners



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Ransomware – Your Data Held  
Hostage





# Ransomware By the numbers

- Prior to attack 4 out of 5 organizations are confident backup can provide them complete recovery
  - Less than half of victims fully recover their data
- Email is the #1 delivery vehicle for ransomware
- Nearly two-thirds of exploit kits have ransomware payloads
  - Ransomware is the most popular payload
- 600% growth in new ransomware families in 2016
- 4x jump in Android ransomware
- 230% percent jump in JavaScript ransomware payloads





# Big Business

## Business Model

- Very skilled groups maintain and sell exploit kits
  - Maintain list of exploits including zero-day exploits
  - Package the ability to automatically identify vulnerabilities and deliver payload of your choice
- Ransomware groups use EK to deploy their variant
- Ransomware as a service – Some ransomware groups even subcontract their combined package for a share of the profits

## Profits

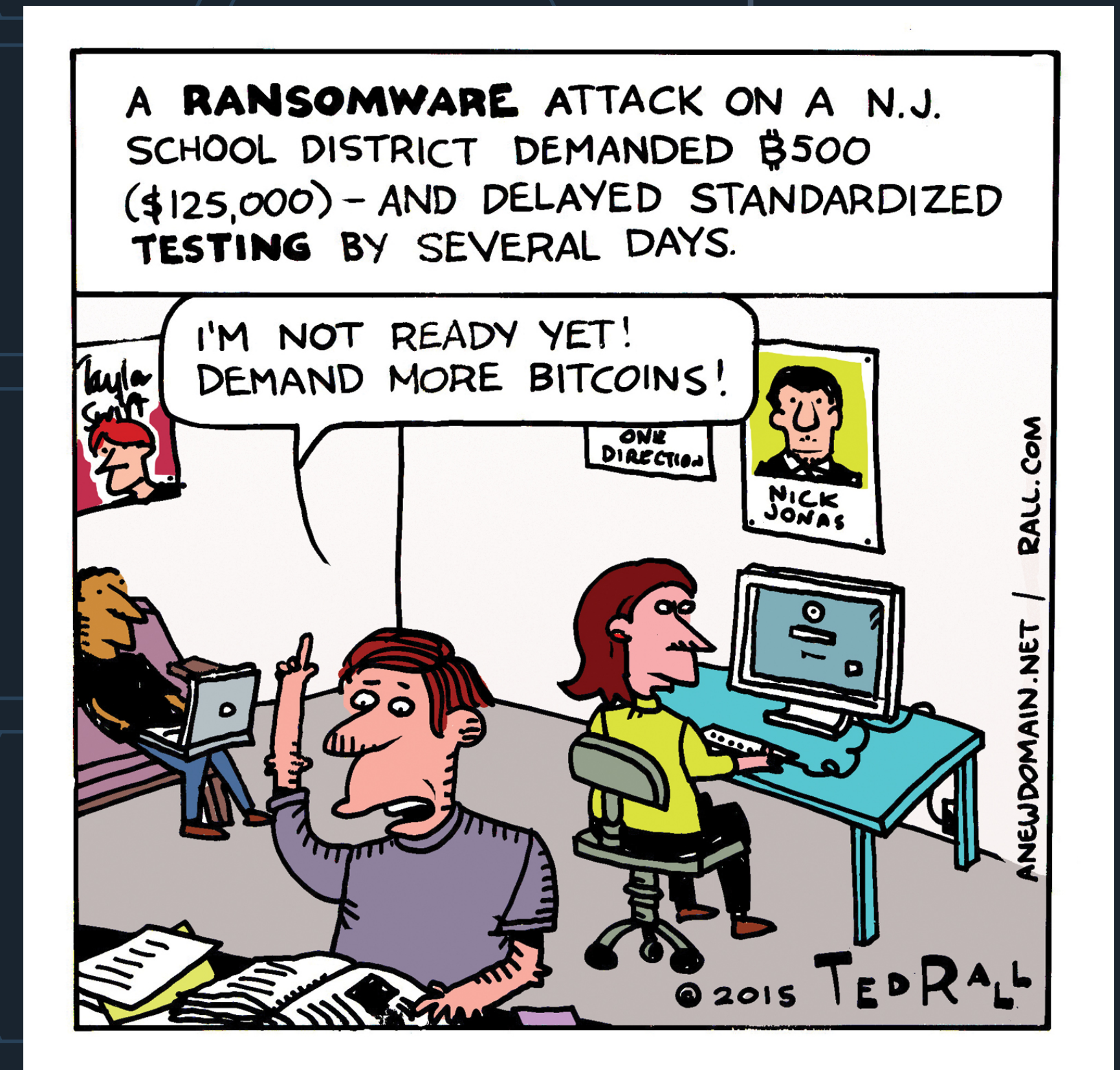
- 209 million paid to cyber criminals in Q1 - 2016
- Angler Exploit Kit
  - \$60 million per year
- Cryptowall 3 – \$321 million per year
- Locky – 90,000 victims per day
  - Research indicates around 2.9% of victims pay the ransom of between .5 and 1 bitcoin (\$450). This works out to between \$200-\$400 million dollars a year





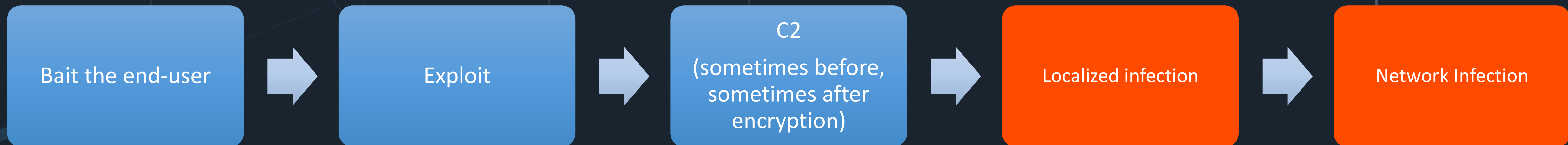
# Evolutionary Capitalism

- Every ransom paid is an investment in the R&D process of the ransomware economy
- Threat groups track what methods are successful and what methods are not
- Threat groups also track the success of competitors, copying and avoiding as appropriate
- Continual process whereby unsuccessful methods die-off and successful methods proliferate
- Expect future ransomware to
  - Be more automated with a greater prevalence of self-propagation
  - Have an increased focus on lateral movement and reducing C2 dependency
    - Encrypt what C2 is necessary
  - Include time delay features to inhibit data restore options

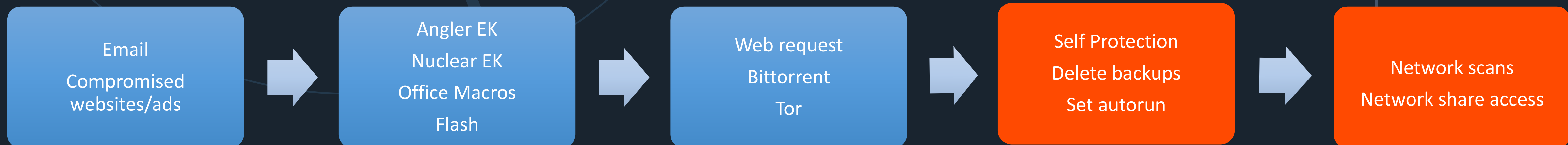


# Ransom Family Commonalities (AKA Kill Chain)

## Typical Process



## Typical Vectors

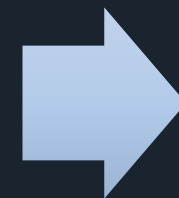




# Evolution of Ransomware

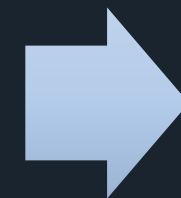
## Previous

- Cryptolocker
- Cryptolocker 2.0
- Cryptobit



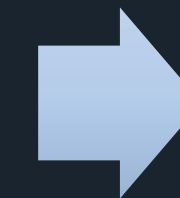
## 2014

- Crytodefense
- Cryptowall 1.0
- CBT Locker
- Crytblocker
- Synlocker
- Torrentlocker
- Cryptowall 2.0



## 2015

- Cryptowall 3.0
- Telsacrypt 1.0
- Vaultcrypt
- Teslacrypt 2.0
- Cryptowall 4.0
- Chimera



## 2016

- Cryptojocker
- Droidlocker
- Nanlocker
- Locky
- CTB-Lockerweb
- Jigsaw
- Teslacrypt 3.0
- Teslacrypt 4.0
- Teslacrypt 4.1
- Samas
- Cryptoxxx
- Petya
- Maktub
- Cerber
- KeRanger



# Trending

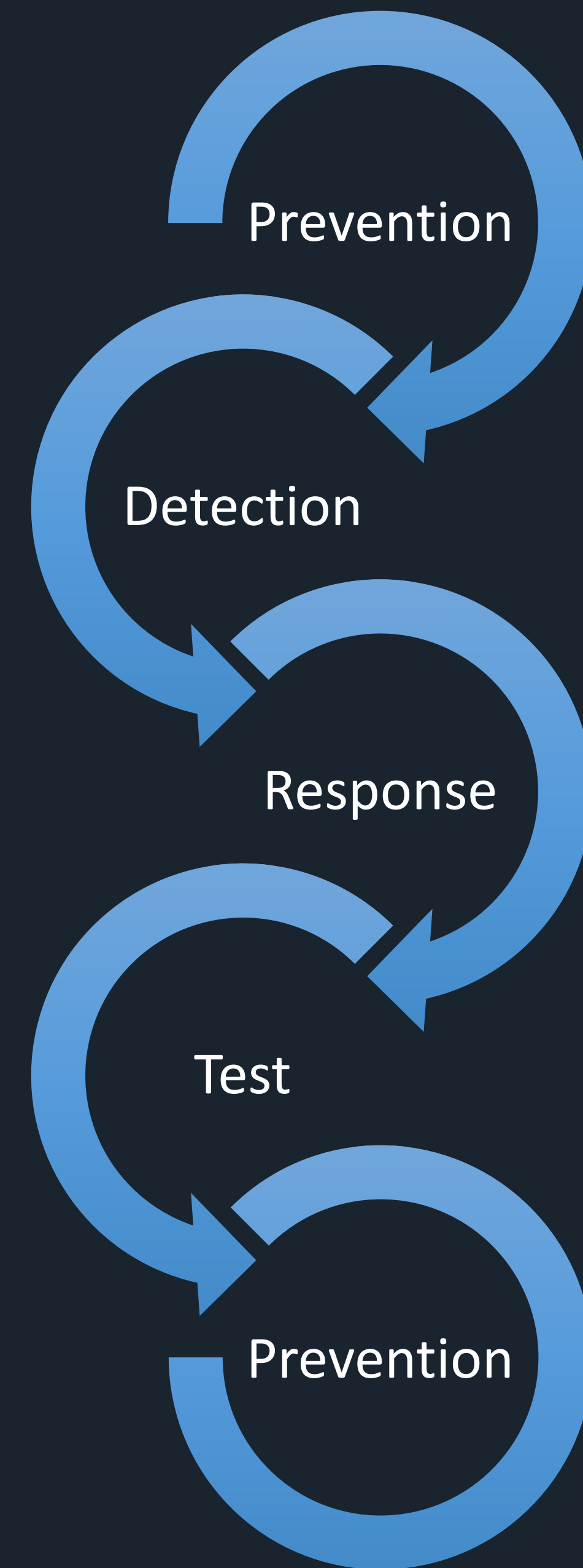
- Increase in targeted attacks against
  - → Healthcare organizations
  - → Law firms
  - → Payment processing firms
- Attacker seeking soft targets with high impact
- Critical systems/data → expectation higher payout
- Payment per infected system
- Ransomware seeking local backups
- Exploit expanded attack surface
- Encryption of MBR
- Change in delivery methodology attacking previously compromised systems
- Drops bootloader then crashes system to force reboot – encrypts upon reboot





# What the future holds - Predictions

- More platforms targeted
  - All flavors of windows and Android exist
  - Targeted OSX attacks - 2016
- Higher ransoms – success begets success
- MORE targeted attacks – Seeking critical networks
- Internet of Things = Significant expansion of attach surface





# What to do

## Email Gateway Filtering

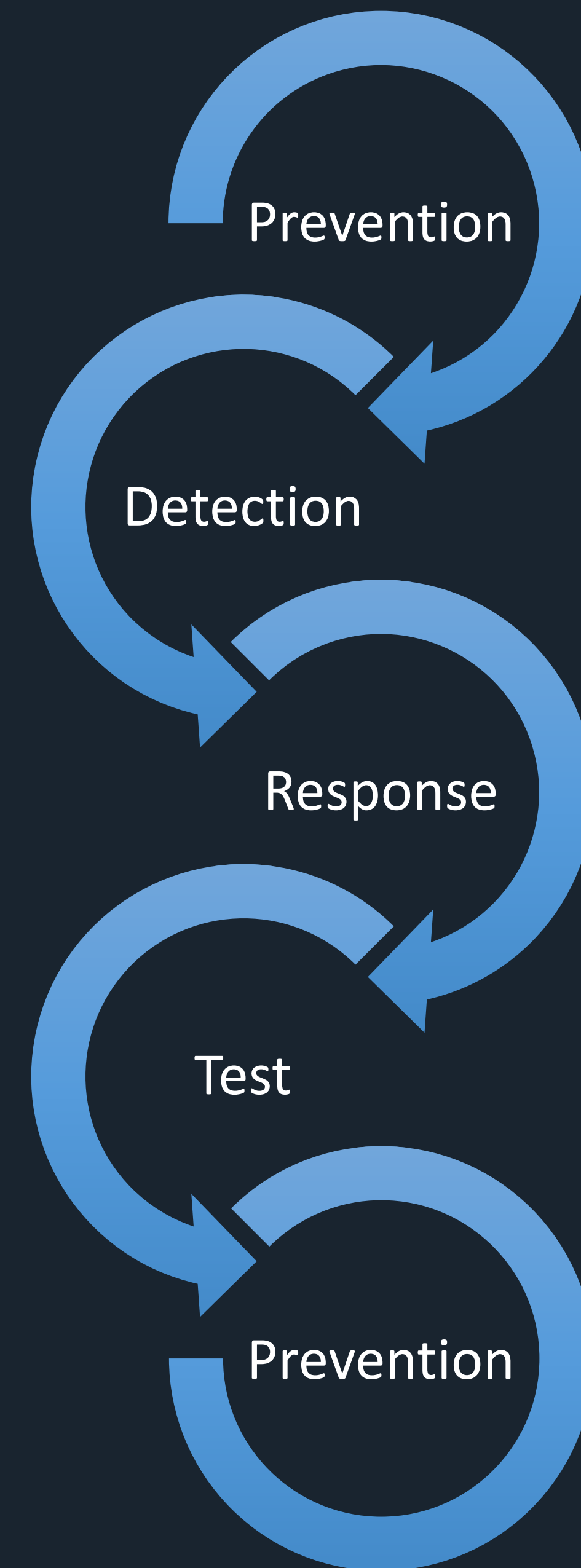
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  - .doc, .xls, .rft

## Domain group policies

- Block macros
  - Open downloaded documents in “protected view”
  - Open downloaded documents and block all macros
- Restrict program execution
  - Disable execution from temporary and/or user data folders
- Disable Windows Script Host
- Show file extensions
  - (\*\*\*\*.PDF.EXE)

Restrict access to network shares

Maintain excellent backup practices





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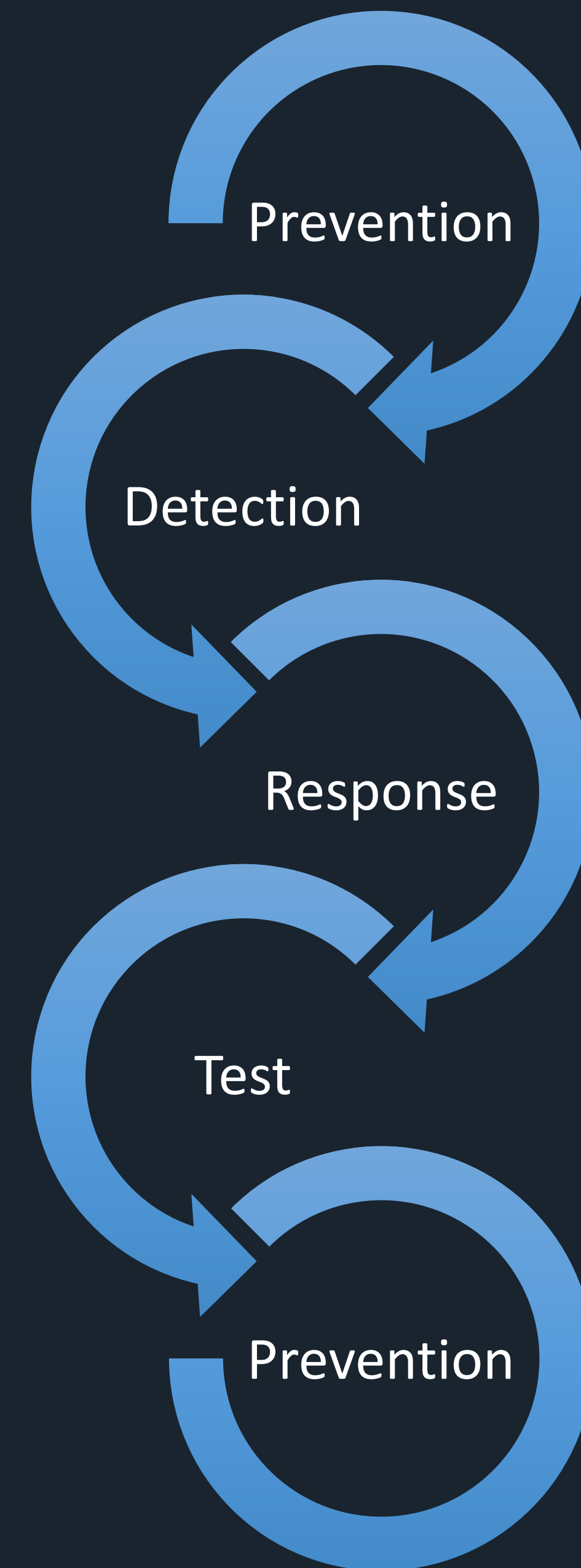
## Maximize visibility

- Effective security at the perimeter
- Effective security at the endpoint

## Increased user awareness

## Resources

- ID Ransomware: Ransomware identification:
  - <https://id-ransomware.malwarehunterteam.com/>
- Anti-Petya Live CD
  - <https://hshrzd.wordpress.com/2016/20/anti-peyta-live-cd-the-fastest-stage1-key-decoder/>
- No Ransom: Decryptors for CoinVault, CrytXXX, etc.
  - <https://noransom.kaspersky.com>
- Ransomware overview: Ransomware IOCs
  - <https://goo.gl/SfU0hv>
  - <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1TWS238xacAto-fLK1n5uTsdijWdCEsGIM0Y0Hvmc5g/htmlview?pli=1>





Six Security Pillars in the SLAIT ThreatManage USM Platform

# SLAIT ThreatManage USM

## SIEM & LOG MANAGEMENT

- Log Collection & Correlation
- OTX Threat Data
- SIEM Event Correlation
- Incident Response

## BEHAVIORAL MONITORING

- Network IDS
- Netflow Analysis
- Full Packet Capture
- ThreatCloud Integration

## ENDPOINT RESPONSE

- “Flight Data Recorder”
- Live Response
- Threat Actor Detection/Remediation



## ASSET DISCOVERY & INVENTORY

- Active Network Scanning
- Passive Network Scanning
- Asset Inventory
- Software Inventory

## VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT

- Continuous Vulnerability Monitoring
- Authenticated & Unauthenticated Active Scanning

## ADVANCED THREAT DETECTION

- Adaptive Threat Fabric
- Behavioral Analysis
- Dynamic Sandbox Analysis



Unified Security Management Framework

# SLAIT ThreatManage USM

## SLAIT Security Operations Center

Analysts  
Hunters  
\*\*Responders\*\*

## ThreatManage Customer

Analysts  
Responders  
Engineers

SLAIT  
ThreatManage  
Services



ThreatManage USM  
Loggers



ThreatManage USM Servers



ThreatManage USM  
Sensors

Customer assets to  
include licenses,  
hardware, etc

**SECURITY DATA: Events, Alerts, and Logs (Firewall, IDS, AD, Endpoint)**



# Center for Internet Security (CIS)

- SANS – CIS top 20 Critical Security Controls (CSC)

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| 1) Inventory of authorized and unauthorized devices   | 11) Secure configurations for network devices such as firewalls, routers and switches |
| 2) Inventory of authorized and unauthorized software  |   |
| 3) Secure configurations for hardware and software on mobile devices, laptops, workstations and servers | 12) Boundary devices  |
| 4) Continuous vulnerability monitoring  | 13) Data protection   |
| 5) Controlled use of administrative privileges  | 14) Controlled access based on need to know   |
| 6) Maintenance, monitoring and analysis of audit logs   | 15) Wireless access control   |
| 7) Email and Web Browser protection   | 16) Account monitoring and control  |
| 8) Malware defense  | 17) Security skills and assessment and appropriate training to fill gaps              |
| 9) Limitation and control of network ports, protocols, and services                                     | 18) Application software security   |
| 10) Data recovery capability  | 19) Incident response and management  |
|   | 20) Penetration tests and Red team exercises  |



## And when all else fail...Restore

- Implement frequent backups – Limit data lost by ensuring a recent restore point
- Limit access to these backups – A sufficiently advanced attacker could seek to eliminate the backups themselves





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