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April Announcements

Serving Our Communities

Thank you, William Cornett!

Law enforcement served well - 101 and 201 a success!

SparkSprints: Spoofing - May 20th (after Monthly Meeting)

Inside SOC: Critical Blue Team Operations

Cyber for Local Gov't Exec. Leadership - July 21





Incident Response plan is LAW! Get your action plan and playbook



S P O O F I N G

May 20, 2026
9:45 AM to Noon

Signal 📶 Domain 📶 Threat Role Play

<p>Scenario 1</p>  <p>Aviation</p> <p><i>Flight path manipulation</i></p> <p>HIGH RISK</p>	<p>Scenario 2</p>  <p>Maritime</p> <p><i>Position deception</i></p> <p>ACTIVE</p>
<p>Scenario 3</p>  <p>GPS</p> <p><i>Position Alteration</i></p> <p>CRITICAL</p>	<p>Scenario 4</p>  <p>Power Grid</p> <p><i>Infrastructure Targeting</i></p> <p>ELEVATED</p>

SparkSprints: Spoofing



Inside the SOC: Critical Blue Team Operations



- ▶ Wednesday July 8th, 2026
- ▶ 9 AM - 3:30 PM
- ▶ Identify: How attacker gained access, moved through environment, explored systems
- ▶ \$999



Cyber for Local Government Executive Leadership

- ▶ Tuesday July 21st
- ▶ 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
- ▶ Take Aways:
 - Recognize significance of cybersecurity
 - Role of leadership to maintain security
 - Understand/implement cyber hygiene
 - Importance of audits/regular training
 - Comprehensive role of insurance roles
 - Requirements under new state law
- ▶ Donuts, coffee, & lunch provided
- ▶ \$499

Cyber for Local Government
Executive Leadership - One-Day
Workshop Registration



April Threat Briefing

- ▶ James Fisher

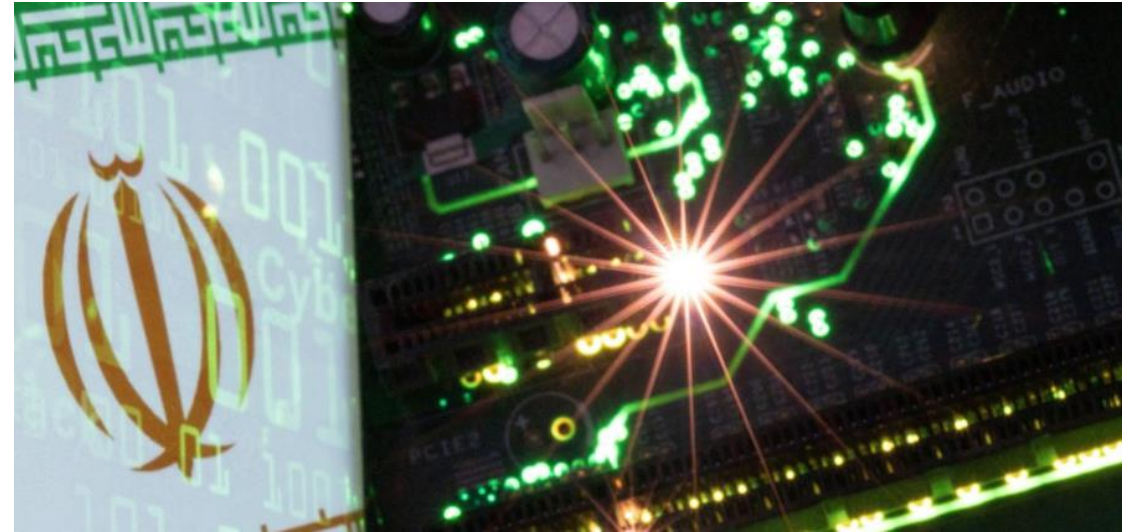
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Iran Threat Briefing



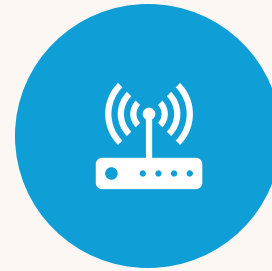
Potential Targets



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State-Sponsored APT Groups

MuddyWater

Alias Earth Vetala, Mango Sandstorm, Seedworm, Static Kitten, MERCURY, and TA450

APT34 (OilRig/Helix Kitten)

APT33 (Elfin / Refined Kitten)

APT35 (Charming Kitten / Phosphorus / Magic Hound)

Hacktivist Proxy Groups

Handala

CyberAv3ngers

Cyber Islamic Resistance

<https://attack.mitre.org/groups/>

Top Vulnerabilities and Attack Vectors Exploited

Microsoft Exchange / ProxyShell

APT35 primarily targets Microsoft Exchange servers through ProxyShell exploitation chains combined with Autodiscover and EWS services to extract Global Address Lists, which then become the foundation for targeted phishing campaigns that harvest credentials.

Edge Infrastructure (VPNs, Citrix, ManageEngine, PaperCut)

Internet-facing infrastructure including Exchange, VPNs, Citrix, ManageEngine, and PaperCut are repeatedly exploited, as Iranian actors target newly disclosed edge vulnerabilities rapidly after disclosure.

Password Spraying against Cloud Identity (Entra ID / M365)

APT33 has shifted heavily toward large-scale Microsoft 365 and Entra ID password spraying, while APT34 continues to stand out for DNS tunneling and Exchange- or cloud-based C2.

Vulnerable Cameras and ICS/OT Devices

Marshtreader (Agius) was observed scanning for vulnerable cameras using [CVE-2023-6895](#) and [CVE-2017-7921](#) across Israel, using infrastructure associated with Iranian actors.

Social Engineering and Credential Phishing

Iranian threat actors have demonstrated strong social engineering capabilities, including spear-phishing campaigns and "honeytrap" operations used to build relationships with targets of interest to gain access to accounts or sensitive information.

ClickFix / PowerShell Lures

A password-spraying attack conducted from Nord VPN infrastructure against Israeli municipal government entities was followed by spear-phishing attacks containing links to a ClickFix page designed to trick users into executing malicious PowerShell to deliver a remote access tool.

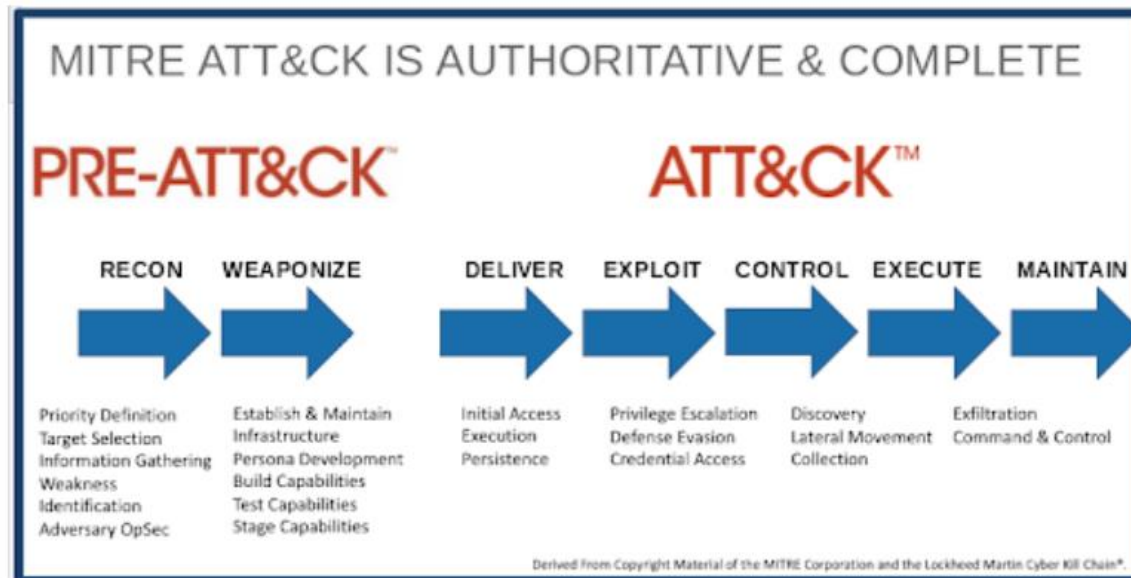
Initial Access

T1566 – Phishing / Spearphishing: Shamoon variants used spearphishing to gain initial access, eventually relying on the Eldos RawDisk driver to bypass Windows APIs and overwrite the master boot record (MBR).

T1190 – Exploit Public-Facing Application: Agonizing Serpens frequently exploited publicly available one-day vulnerabilities in public-facing web applications to drop custom web shells.

T1078 – Valid Accounts / Default Credential Abuse: Early-stage tactics observed include default credential abuse, valid account exploitation, brute force attacks, and network reconnaissance, signaling that adversaries are mapping environments to identify high-value assets.

T1110.003 – Password Spraying: Groups demonstrate increased centralized planning through the establishment of an "Electronic Operations Room," using brute force style social-engineering and spear-phishing tactics. Specific TTPs include password spraying and multifactor authentication "push bombing" to compromise user accounts.



Fog of War

“Fog of war” is the uncertainty, confusion, and limited situational awareness experienced by commanders and soldiers during military operations, often caused by inaccurate, incomplete, or misleading information. Coined in the 1830s by Carl von Clausewitz, it highlights the chaotic nature of battle, where accurate decision-making is inhibited.

Cybercrime has skyrocketed 245% since the start of the Iran war

Iran's False Flag Operation Claims

What can we do?

Technical

- Audit environments for weak credentials
- Audit credentials for access (least privileged)
- Limit scope and permissions of admin accounts
- Ensure your edge devices are updated
- Enroll in vendor security release notifications
- Application and vendor audit
- Immutable backups
- Limit unattended access
- Review security tools directly for alerts
- Block all unapproved remote support tools (RMM)
 - Anydesk, Screen Connect
- Verify logging
- Verify logging retention time
- Eyes on security tools

Non-Technical

- See Something Say something
- Tabletop exercises
 - Comprised edge device
 - Loss of admin control





April GoCyber Collective Keynote Speaker

- Marc Ricker - iVALT
- The Identity Verification Game Changes Now





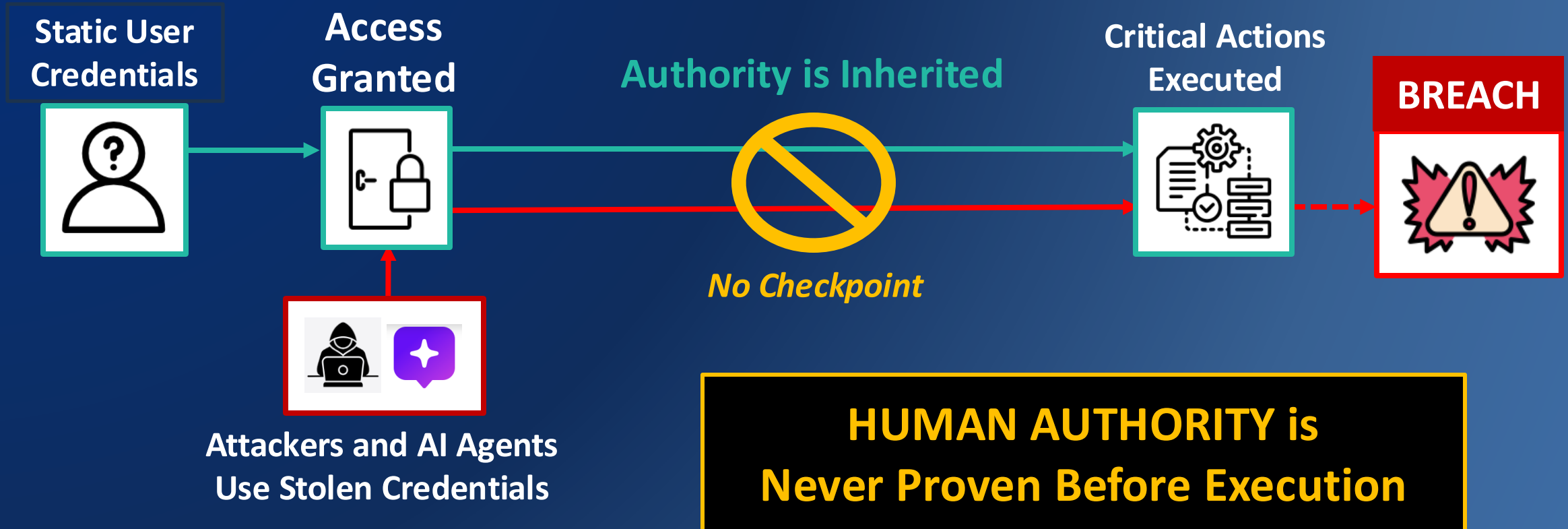
Provable Human Authority

Closing the Execution Gap in Zero Trust

Patents:
8 Granted | 10+ Pending

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Attackers Don't Break In. They Log In.



80-90% of Attacks Start with Stolen Credentials

A Broken Model → AI Scales Risk Exponentially

Why It Fails

- Credential-Based Identity is Broken Everywhere
- IAM Was Not Designed for AI or Autonomous Execution
- Authority is Never Verified at Execution

A Human Authority Control Plane is Required

Provable Human Authority

Cryptographic Proof Before Execution

The Human Proof Model



Biometrics → **Identity**



PKI (Mobile) → **Device Binding**



GPS + Time → **Context**

Eliminates the Risk of Inherited Authority

Human Authority Checkpoints

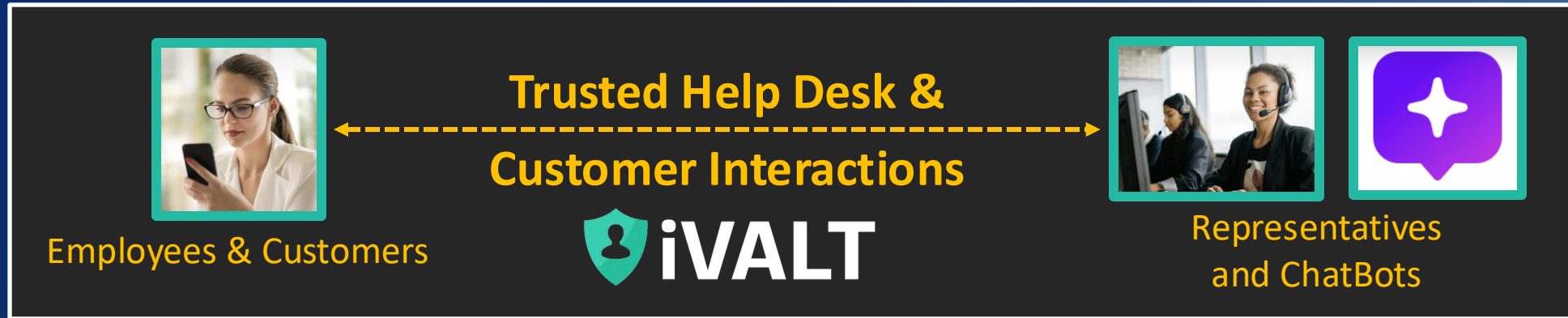
No Changes to IAM or AI Infrastructure



Enforce Human Authority at Execution — Ends Stolen Credential Fraud

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Provable Human Authority — Key Takeaways

- Control Risk at the Only Place It Matters — Execution
- Prove Human Authority Before Every Critical Action
- **No Infrastructure Changes → Immediate Control**
- Enterprise-Ready Today

Closes IAM Identity Gaps → Secures AI Execution at Scale



The Future of Identity

Thank you!

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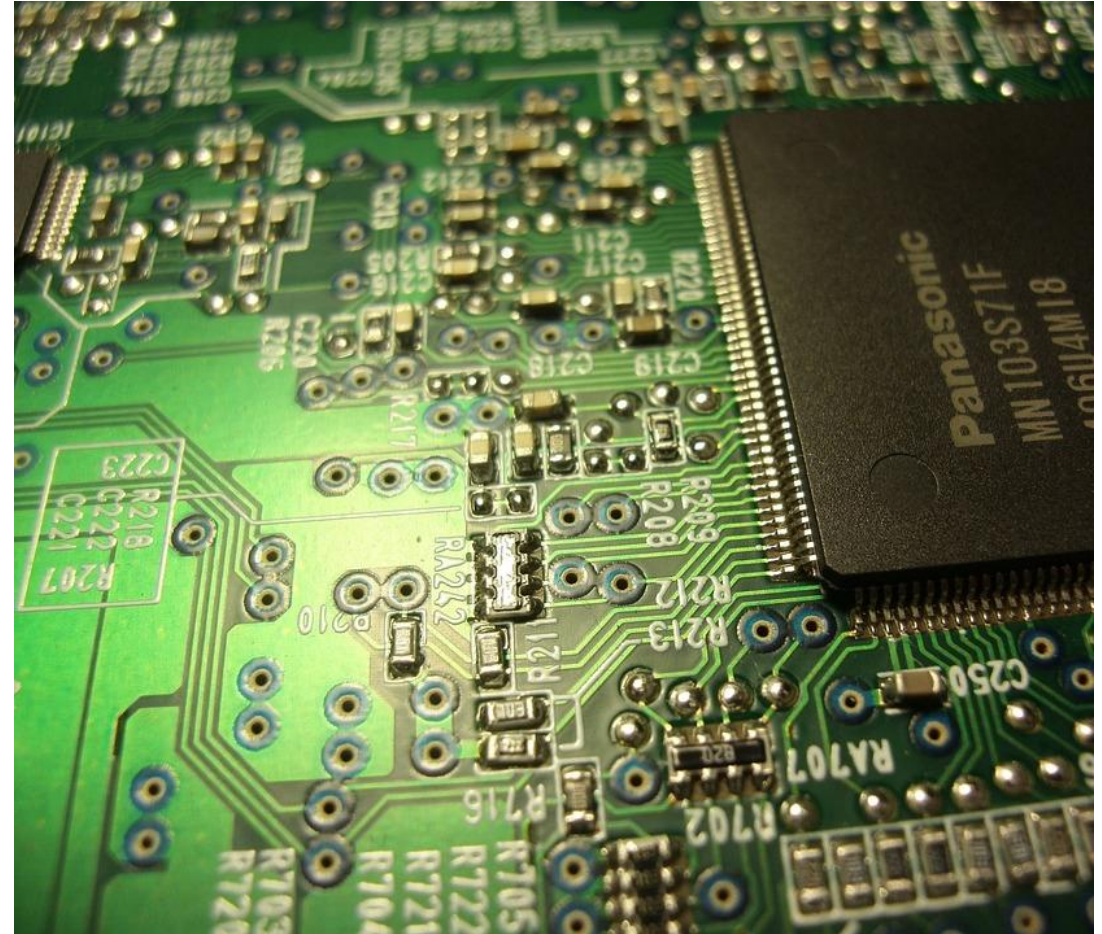
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May Meeting:

- Netta Squires – Open District Solutions
- President of Gov't Affairs, Cybersecurity & Resilience
- Exec. Director: Center for Critical Infrastructure Security
- Securing Infrastructure

April Parting Shots

- Local Gov't/Public Safety SIG – Sun Watch Room
- Education SIG – Wright Patt Room
- Defense Contractor SIG – Hawthorn Room
- Register for Workshop, Monthly Meetings
- Turn in your lanyards at the desk





Information

Email me at john@GoCyberCollective.org.

If you have a suggestion on meeting topics, special interest groups, breakfast menu, or anything else we want to hear from you.

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