

# The Awakening of Cyber Analysis IBM i2 Safer Planet

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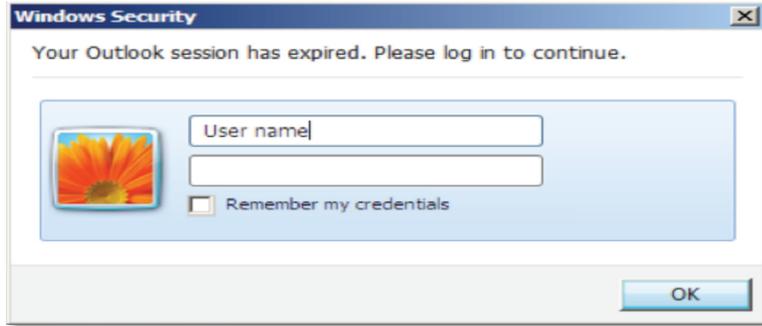


Fig. 1: Malicious prompt to capture credentials



Fig. 2: Generic lure document

**\$100 MILLION  
DOLLARS IN  
PROFIT SINCE  
2013**

**32 PEOPLE  
INVOLVED IN  
MULTIPLE  
COUNTRIES**

# The growth of asymmetric threats is changing the landscape

*Information security has become a human vs. human problem*



DATA CENTER SOFTWARE NETWORKS SECURITY INFRASTRUCTURE BUSINESS HARDWARE SCIENCE

## 'Bogus IT guys' slurp £1.3m Cybercops cuff 8 blokes

'Engineer' slipped remote-hack hardware INSIDE branch, says Met



Remote control device

## Hackers negate tens of millions of dollars in security infrastructure with a \$30USD device!



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A male posing as an IT technician deployed a \$30USD remote control device on a bank branch office computer

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The crooks connected to the device from a nearby hotel, then accessed the bank's servers

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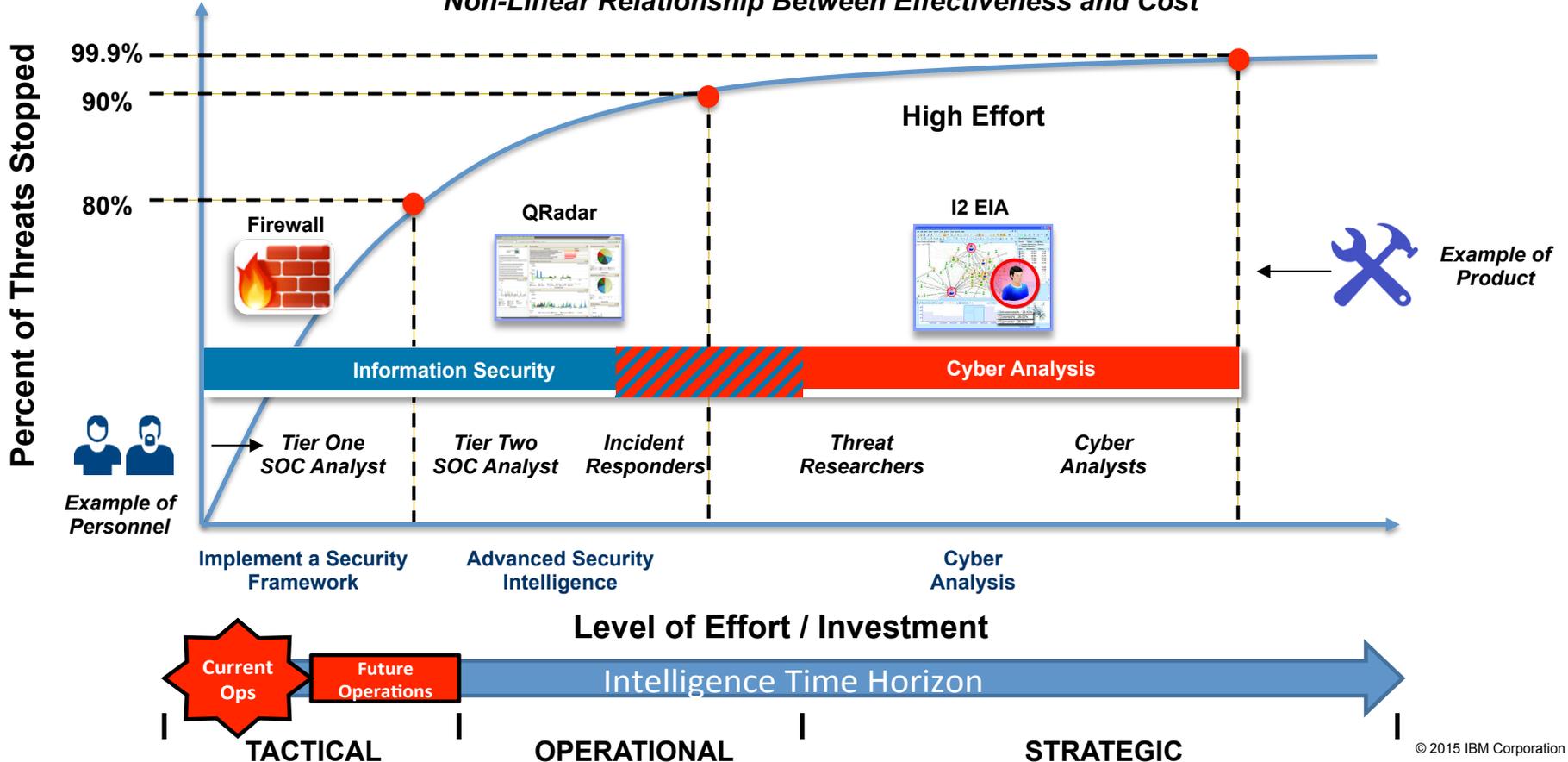
The hackers logged into a bank terminal and shifted ~\$2.1M USD through 128 transfers into mule accounts



The gang responsible for the theft was caught 13 months later only due to attempting the same attack at another bank

# Both security and analysis must address the problem

*Non-Linear Relationship Between Effectiveness and Cost*



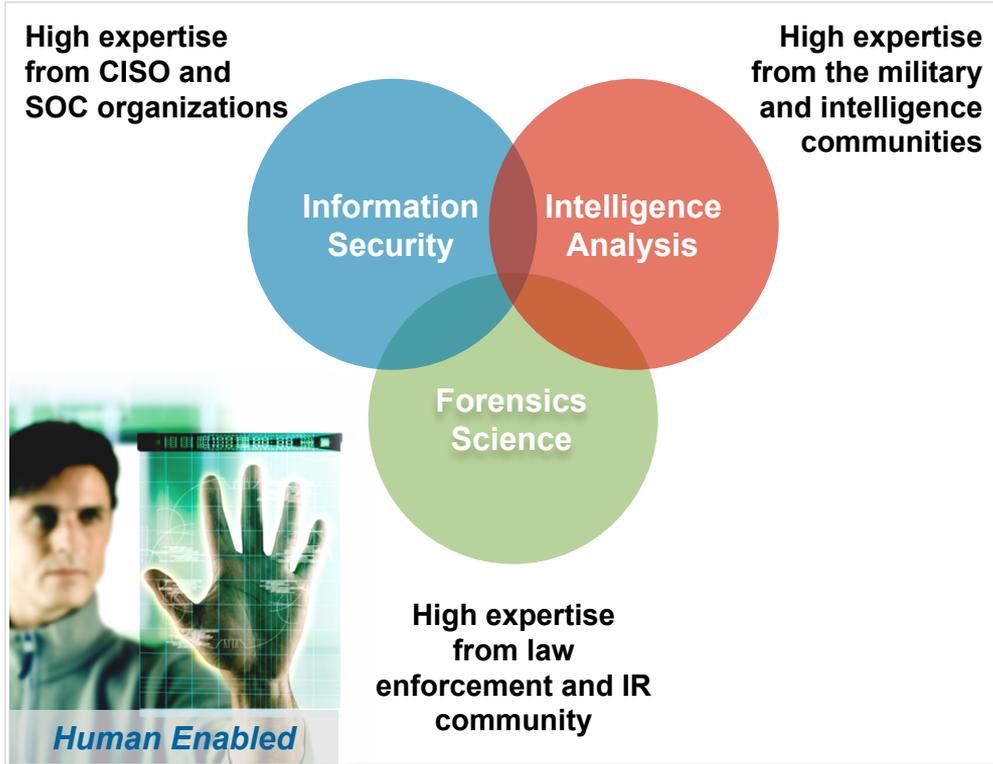
# Learning from medical analogies

## MEDICAL

## SECURITY

	Threat Example	Mitigation Strategy	Threat Example	Mitigation Strategy
Tier One – Hygiene	Common hospital associated infections	Washing hands, wearing masks and scrubs	Commodity threat, individual hackers with widely-used tools	Changing passwords, removing unused services, patching
Tier Two – Specialization	Emergent situations (e.g. chest pain, gunshot wound)	Creation of critical care and preventative medicine discipline	Organized crime, semi-tailored fraud and crimeware tools	Visibility, monitoring, alerting, response, real-time security analytics
Tier Three – Research	Genetic diseases and cancer	Research and tailored genetic treatments	Advanced Persistent Threat, nation-state, high resources	Cyber analysis, threat intelligence trend analysis, campaign tracking

# The cyber analysis discipline addresses the human dimension



## The Cyber Analysis Discipline

*Cyber Analysis is a new discipline and profession with three subcomponents*

- **Information Security** blends aspects of network defense, confidentiality, assurance, and malware threats
- **Intelligence Analysis** brings the art of the intel cycle where information is directed, collected, processed, analyzed, produced, and disseminated
- **Forensics Science** blends aspects of the investigative process, evidence handling, and latent evidence discovery

## Why You Need Cyber Analysis

Information Security alone is not enough,  
companies need to open the aperture:



The domain of **CYBER** is the discipline of examining multi-dimensional security...a threat can come from an external hacker or an insider threat

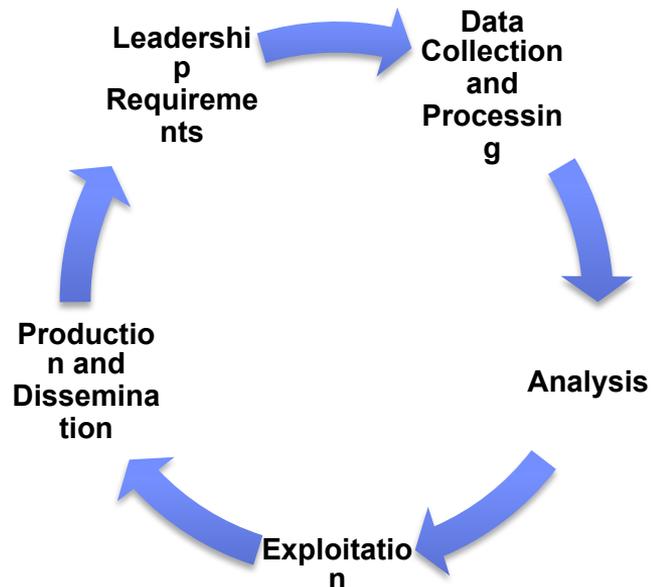
**Security Analytics:** The art of aggregating, correlating, and automating information technology (IT) related data in order to detect, discover, and understand information security threats.

**Cyber Analysis:** The art of human-led analysis of security and non-security related data from logical and physical domains in order to research trends, discover anomalies, provide context, create relationships, and uncover hidden issues.

**Cyber Intelligence:** Evidenced-based knowledge and actionable advice concerning security related issues.

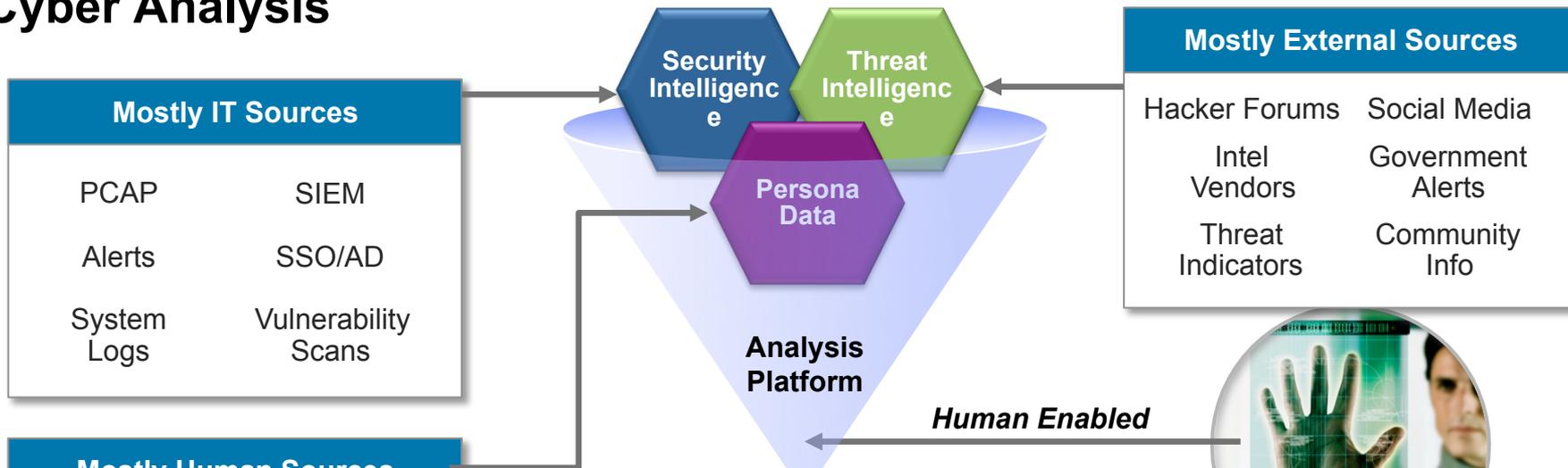
**Security Intelligence:** Actionable information derived from the analysis of security-relevant data available to an organization.

# Accelerate Decision Making with The Intelligence Cycle



- Collate, aggregate and manage **overwhelming data volumes** (terabytes) of information
- Multiple, discrete **silos** of information
- Valuable **insight locked up** in unstructured or semistructured data and documents
- Accurate and timely target acquisition (finding the needle in the needle-stack)
- Finding hidden patterns **and non-obvious relationships**, using reactive to proactive or predictive methods
- Struggling to find the who, what, when and where by **avoiding cognitive traps**
- More time information management (IM) than **information exploitation** (IE) (analysis)

# Cyber Analysis



Mostly IT Sources	
PCAP	SIEM
Alerts	SSO/AD
System Logs	Vulnerability Scans

Mostly External Sources	
Hacker Forums	Social Media
Intel Vendors	Government Alerts
Threat Indicators	Community Info

Mostly Human Sources	
Behavioral Data	Account Creation
HR Data	Badge Logs
Reviews	Access Logs

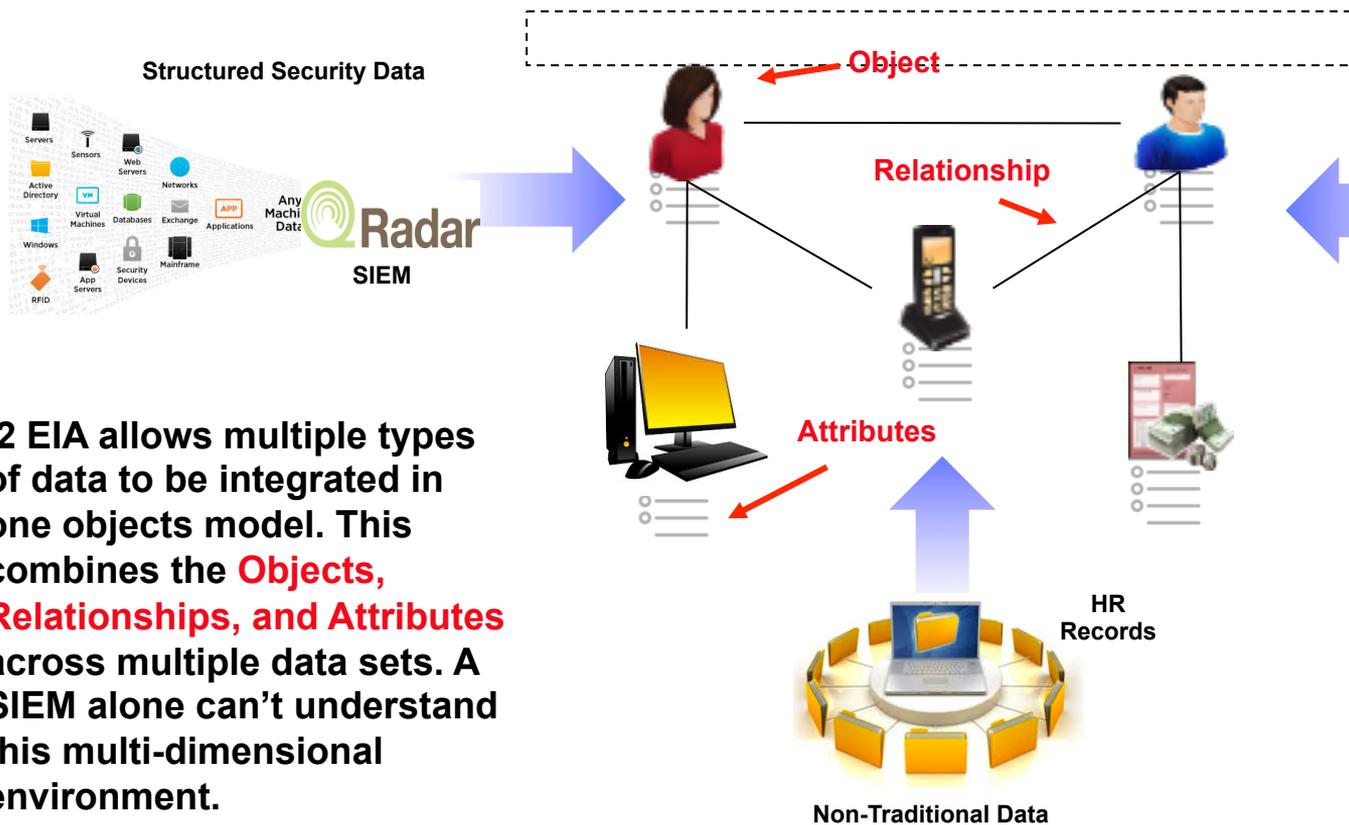
## Cyber Analysis Results

- Integrated data feeds
- Enterprise awareness
- Compliance monitoring
- Threat discovery
- Risk management
- Enable decisions



Leveraging an analytical platform and internal and external information feeds, Cyber Analysts can help form a deep understanding of the threats targeting your organization

# Why i2 EIA is Vitrally Important: One Schema, One Object Model



i2 EIA allows multiple types of data to be integrated in one objects model. This combines the **Objects**, **Relationships**, and **Attributes** across multiple data sets. A SIEM alone can't understand this multi-dimensional environment.

**Object:** the “noun” of the data model: person, place, thing or an event

**Relationship:** describes the relationship between two objects

**Attributes:** are the “adjective” and describe the objects

# Build a Sophisticated Intelligence Capability

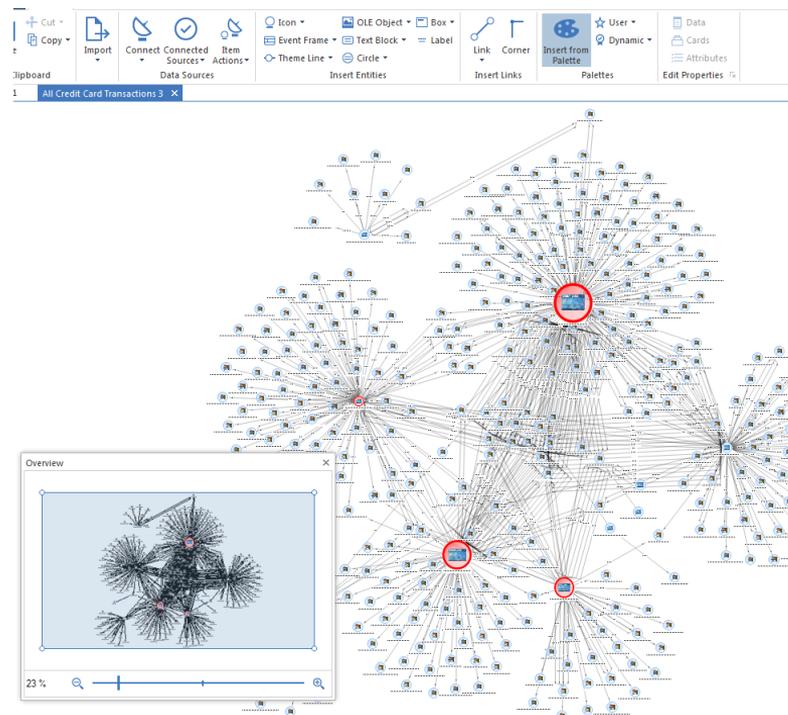
**Human guided intelligence analysis** to uncover evidence of criminality awareness of links, networks, anomalies, trends.

## What we are looking at

- People, Objects, Locations, Events
- Structured & Unstructured
- Deep & Dark Web
- External data
- Social Networks

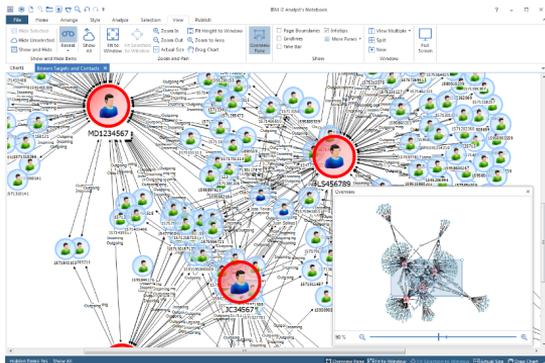
## What we are looking for

- Networks
- Relationships
- Patterns in the data
- Anomalies in geography, timing, sequencing

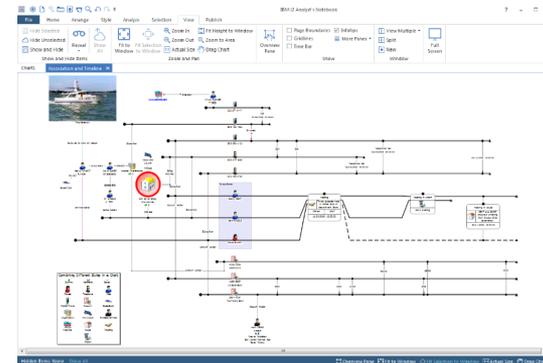


# i2 EIA Delivers Integrated Multi-Dimensional Analysis Capabilities

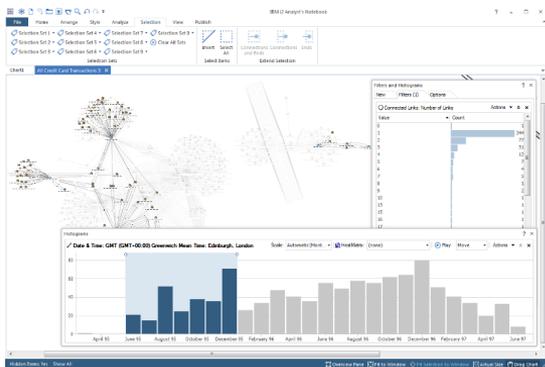
## Network & Link analysis



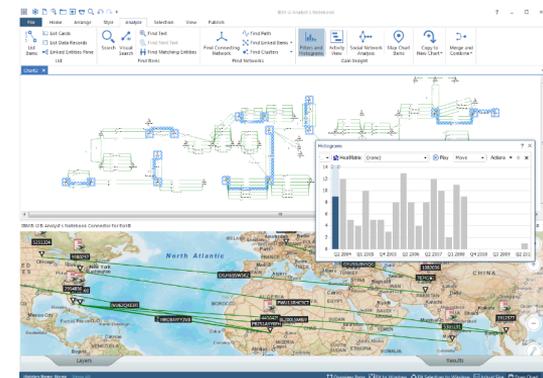
## Transactional timelines



## Analytical Tools: histograms, activity heat maps, and Social Network Analysis

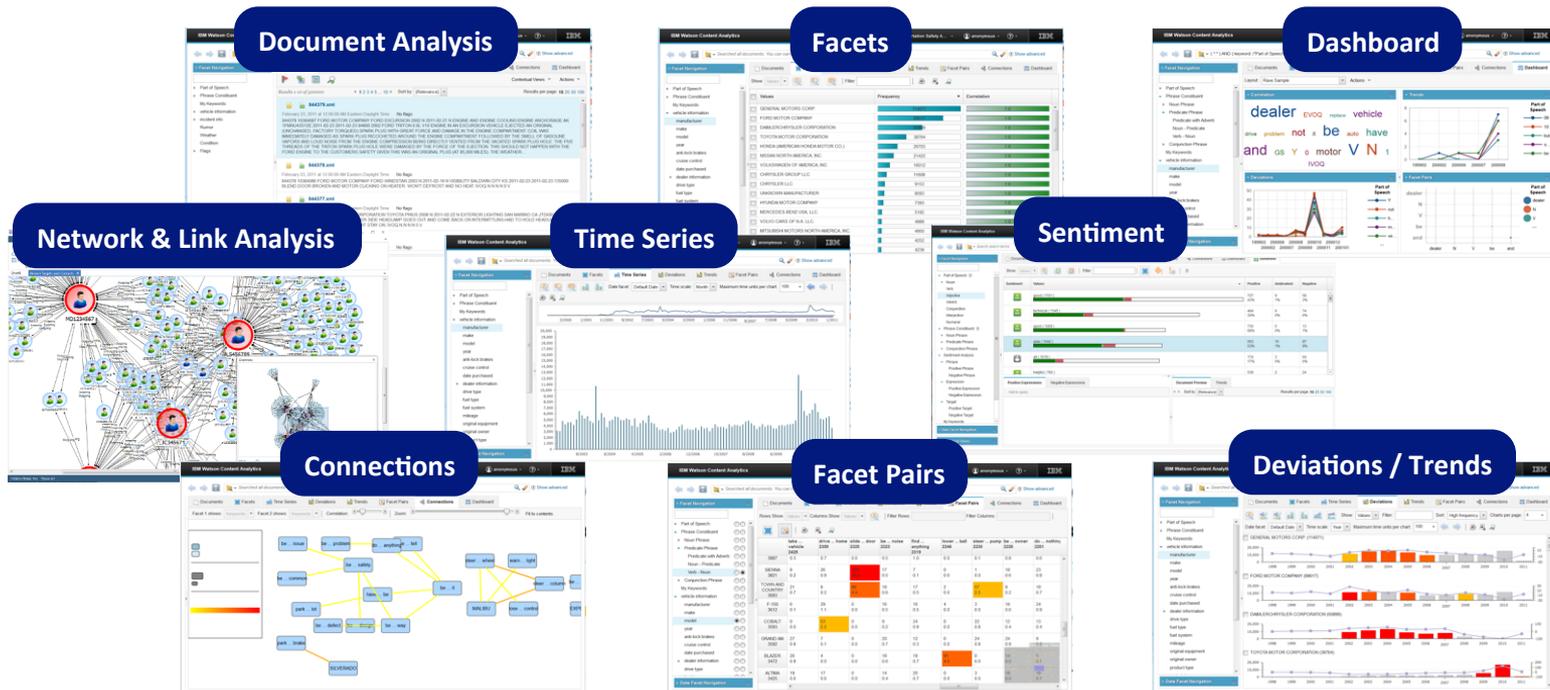


## Geospatial Interoperability

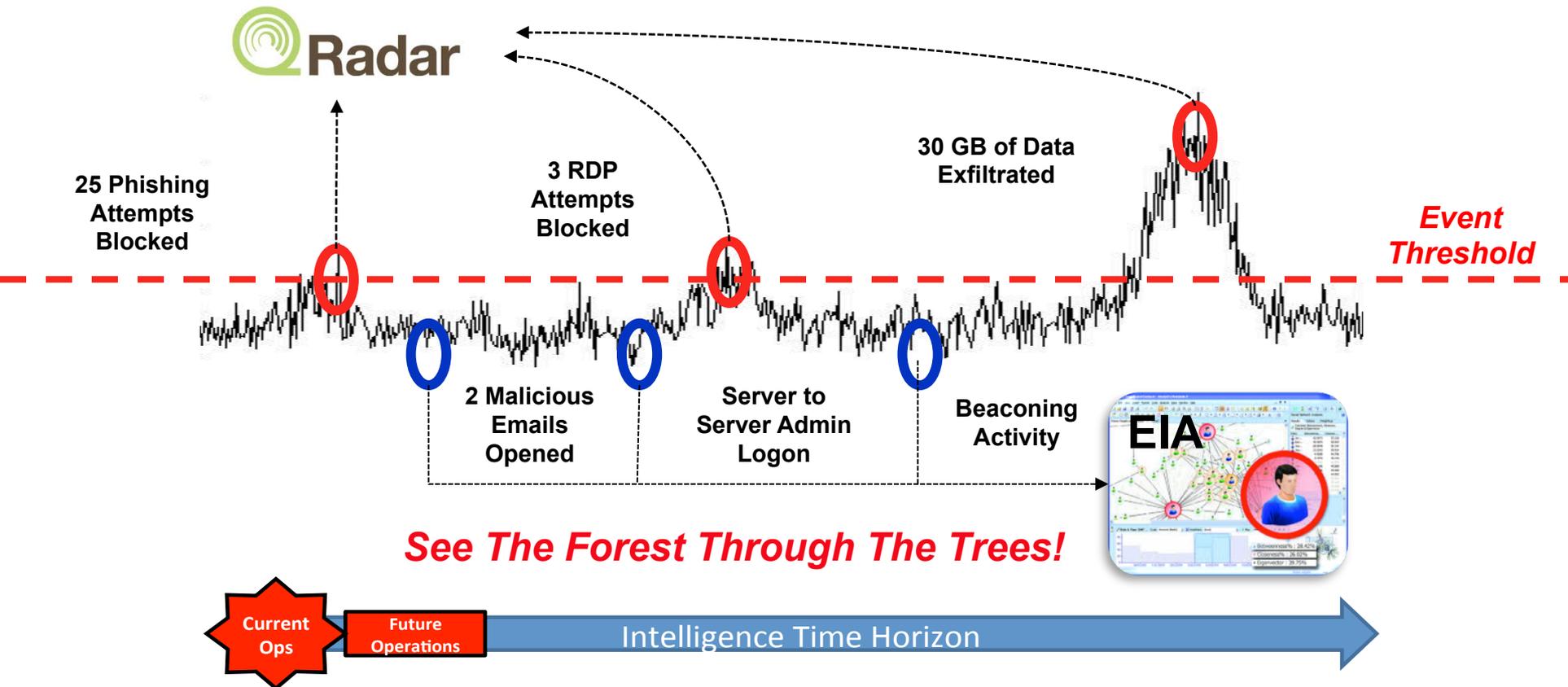


# i2 EIA Delivers Integrated Multi-Dimensional Analysis

## To exploit data in new capabilities for many users...



# Tipping, Queuing, and Anomaly Research Example



# Four Main Pain Points in Cyber Security Today



**Hidden Threats  
Hiding in Network**

**How do I find  
the signals in  
the noise?**

**\$35 MILLION  
- SONY**

- Finding beaconing
- Strange admin logs
- Employees caching info
- IP theft and exfiltration



**Where Should  
Analysts Look**

**How to find a  
needle in a  
stack of  
needles?**

**1,400 PEOPLE  
- ISIS HIT LIST**

- SIEM tipping and queuing
- External physical threats
- Host intrusion correlation
- Ext. breach discovery



**Lack of Actionable  
Intelligence**

**How do leaders  
make  
decisions?**

**\$162 MILLION  
- TARGET**

- Intelligence led security
- Understand vendor risk
- Incident reporting
- Risk analysis



**Too Much Data,  
Too Many Sources**

**How do I put the  
picture  
together?**

**14 MONTHS  
- OBY CLEANUP**

- APT kill chain analysis
- Darkweb integration
- IOC historical search
- Vulnerability prioritization

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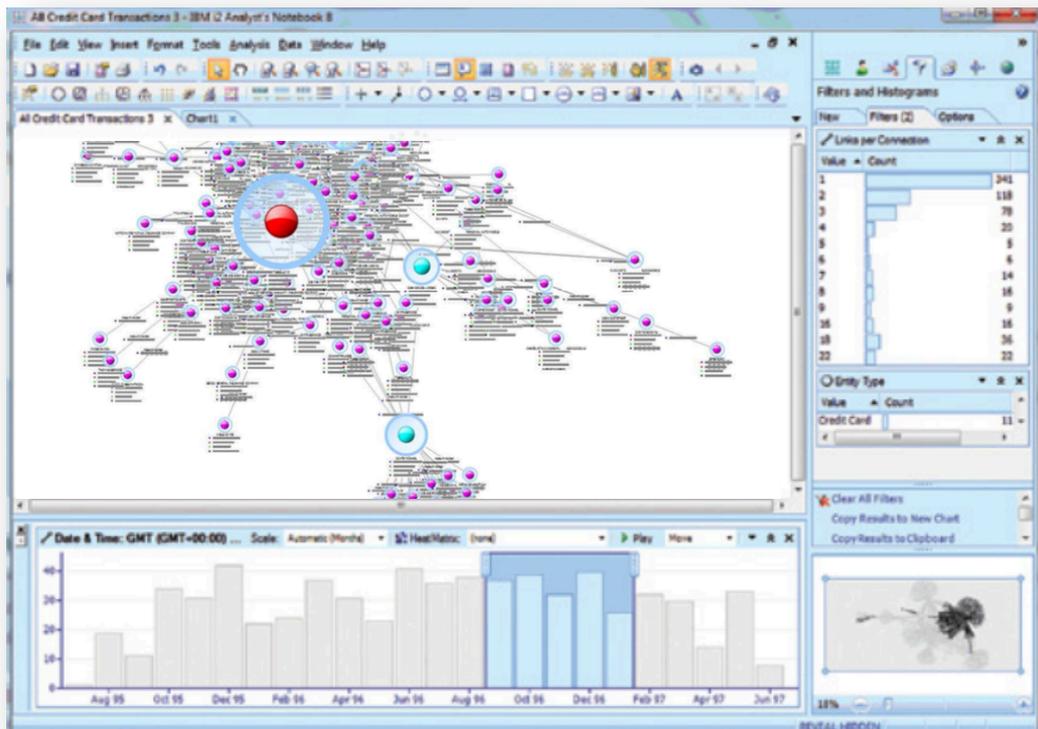
USE CASES

# Contributing Factors to The Cyber Security Problem

 <p><b>Increased data sources</b></p>	<p>The amount of devices on a network is expanding exponentially, organizations need to sift through data from their many devices and unstructured data from vendors.</p>
 <p><b>Shortage of talent</b></p>	<p>The cost of skilled personnel is rising, while cyber talent is at an abundant shortage. There is a shortage of skilled security people, security people who can actually 'do' security versus pass a multiple-choice test on security.<sup>1</sup></p>
 <p><b>Sophistication of the attackers</b></p>	<p>"But, cyber attacks are growing every day in strength and velocity across the globe." — Jamie Dimon, JPMorgan's chairman and Chief Executive <sup>2</sup></p>
 <p><b>Little Attention to Resilience</b></p>	<p>Organizations tend to spend a majority of their resources on perimeter security and monitoring at gateway "chokepoints". When an adversary gets onto the network there is little ability to detect and respond before the damage is done.</p>

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# How i2 EIA Helps You Find Cyber Threats Quickly



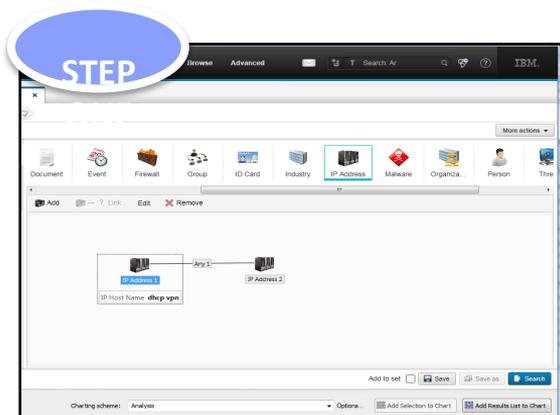
## Visualize and Investigate

*See data from multiple sources in a unique object model for exploration*

- **Visual Query** lets you query your data without technical or database skills, improving the quality and productivity of investigations
- **Find Path** allows you to uncover relationships between billions of potential paths within seconds
- **Conditional Formatting** spreads the skills of your master analysts by adding emphasis to objects and relationships to make issues immediately visible

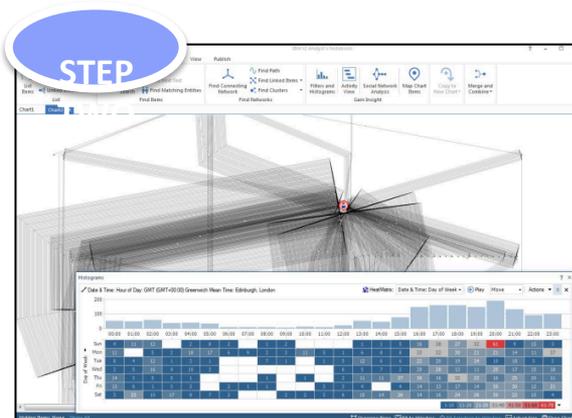
# How i2 EIA Helps You Find Cyber Threats Quickly

*Example: Is there evidence of undetected malware in my network?*



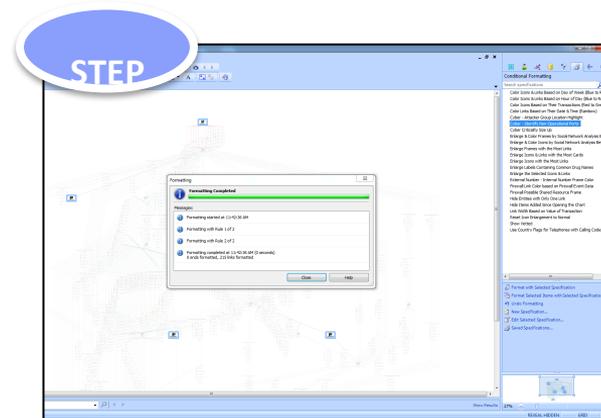
## Search Proxy Logs

*Analyze your logs by simply drawing the query you would like to run, including any parameters like a specified time period*



## Discover Beaconing Activity

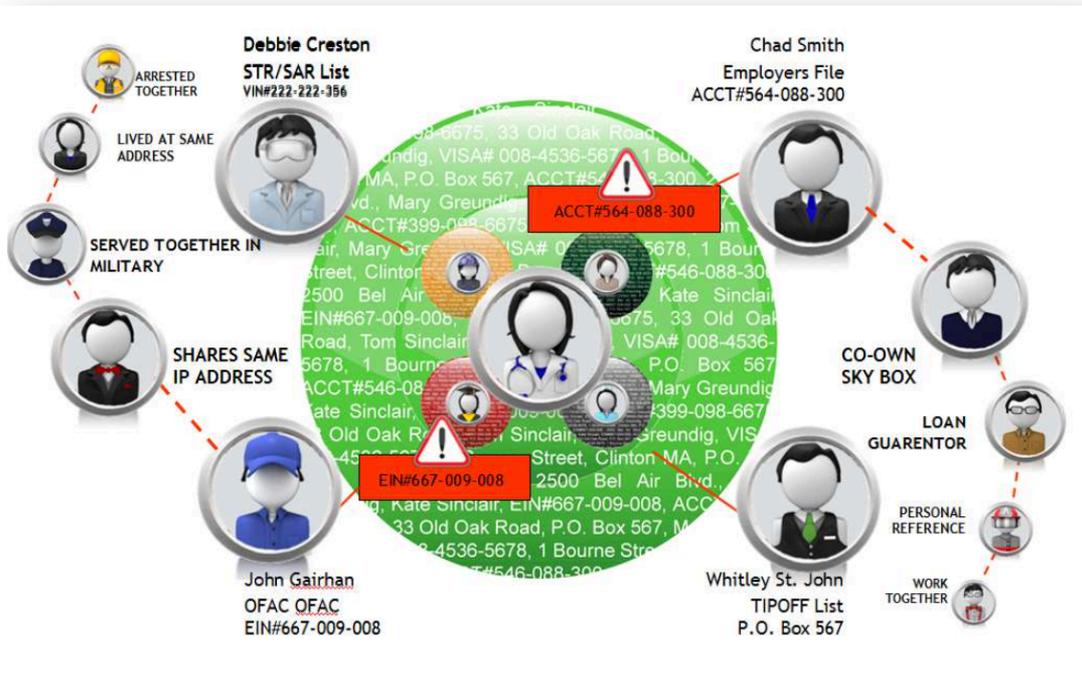
*Utilize the find path feature to discover relationship between C2 nodes and proxy logs. Temporal visualizations shows periodic activity*



## Save Parameters for Alerting

*Setup conditional formatting to search for the same factors and show emphasis between relationships and objects when being examined on the chart*

# How i2 EIA Helps You Discover Patterns and Anomalies

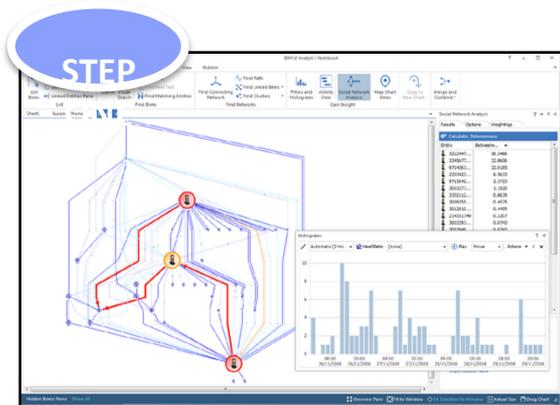


**Robust Analytics Built Right In**  
*Deep algorithms that become better over time in detecting non-obvious events*

- **Entity Resolution** allows you to merge like objects and find out “Who is Who” and “Who knows who” – alerting you in real-time
- **Recommendation Engine** discover key patterns, events, and relationships that are nearly impossible to detect through manual analysis
- **Social Network Analysis (SNA)** ranks relationships between objects using multiple network analysis algorithms including K-Core, Eigenvector, Betweenness, Degree

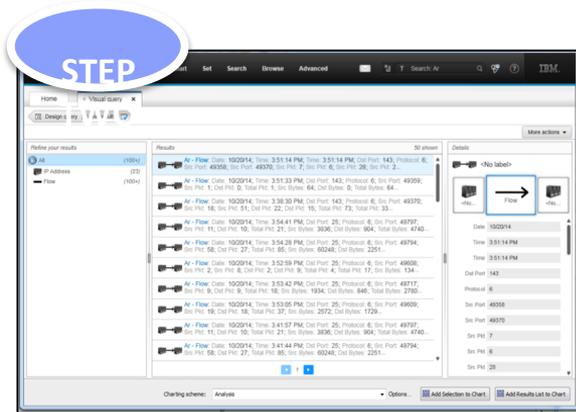
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**Example: Are there insider threats compromising intellectual property?**



## Discover Odd Patterns

Analyzing email and chat communication data to uncover patterns of employees communicating across business units uncharacteristically



## Confirm Malicious Behavior

After identifying persons of interest, search proxy logs to confirm that a group of developers have been caching code to personal accounts



## Determine Extent of Network

Searching social media, we find that a group of developers plan to leave and create a rival startup. Using SNA, we can identify a network of potential individuals involved

# How i2 EIA Helps You Create Actionable Intelligence



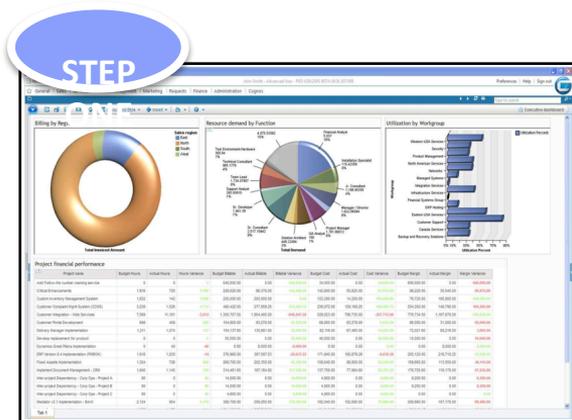
## Go From Discovery to Action

*Create custom dashboards and reporting from many sources of data*

- **Operational Awareness** configures a dashboard with your Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) to monitor health
- **Reporting Functionality** creates custom reports from your data and chart findings to share with leadership
- **i2 Web Client** allows non-analysts to interact with and understand an ongoing investigation with a straight forward web browser interface

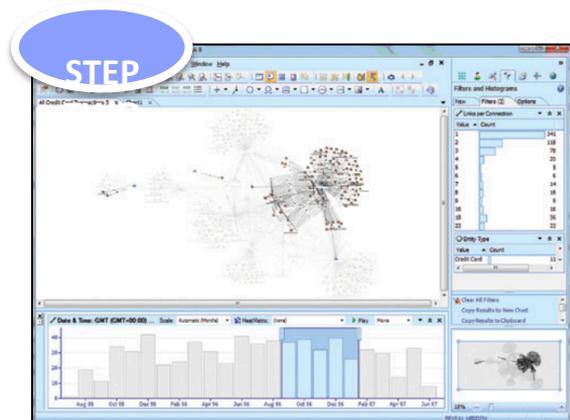
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**Example: What are the most critical areas of the network to concentrate on?**



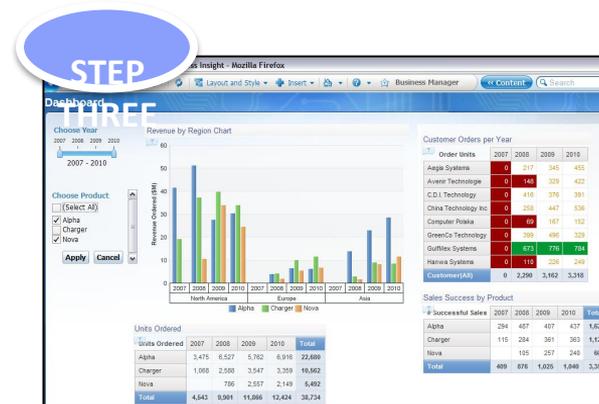
## See KPIs in Real Time

*Monitor all business units for network use, incidents, and compliance to understand enterprise risk in real time*



## Vulnerabilities & Criticality

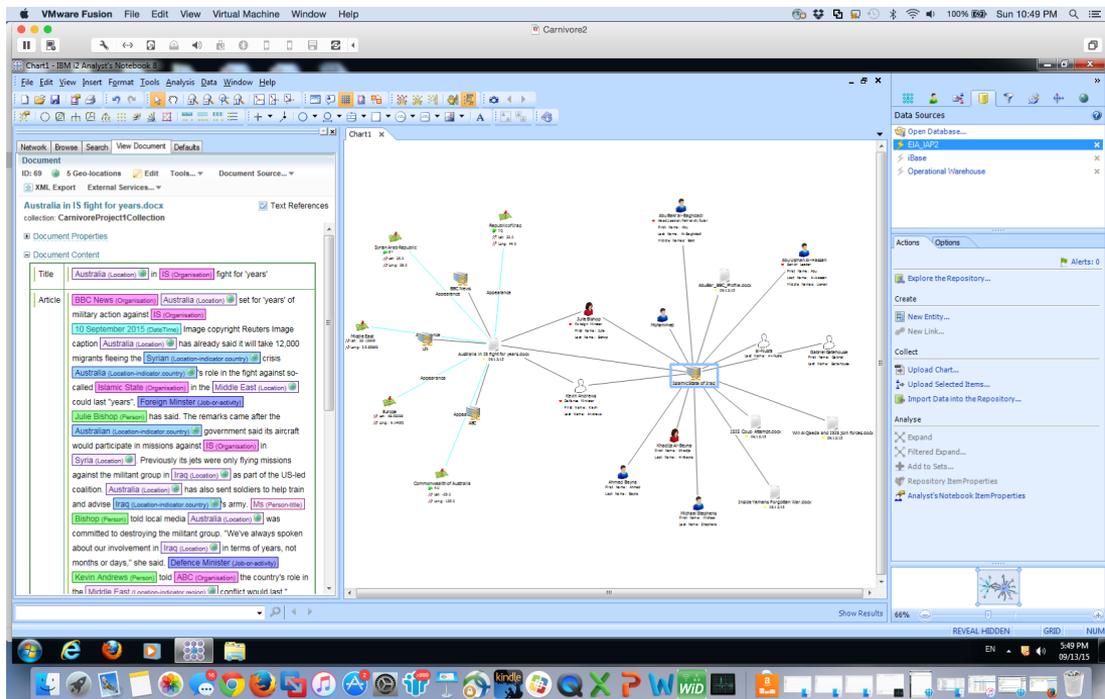
*Compare vulnerability scans from each business unit with the network criticality and threat level. Rack and stack the most critical components under high threat*



## Produce Statistical Reporting

*Create periodic reporting to show business units where to focus security controls in order to most effectively mitigate risk*

# How i2 EIA Helps You Understand Multi-Dimensional Data



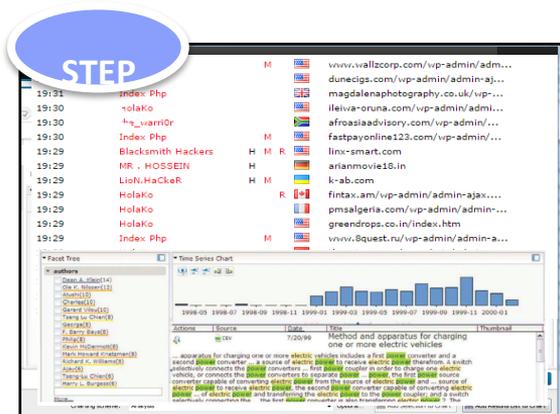
## Provide Structure to Chaos

*Merge structured and unstructured data into a single custom object model*

- **Entity and Relationship Extraction** creates entities from feeds like email, social media, and outside news sources in real-time
- **Entity Link Analysis** automatically can infer relationships between entities in your object model
- **Context and Correlation** leverages powerful analytic engines to provide context and expose insights

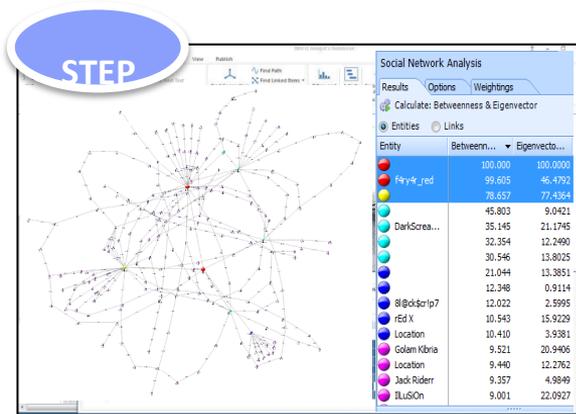
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**Example: How can I find who would attack me from threat intelligence?**



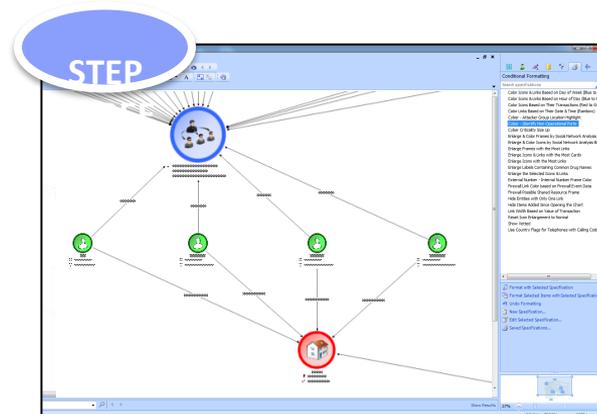
## Sift Through Threat Reporting

*Identify and extract key data objects from various email, news feeds, community, and vendor threat intelligence*



## Conduct Link Analysis

*Use entity link analysis to understand which threat groups have to closest relationship to techniques which match your network and organization profile*



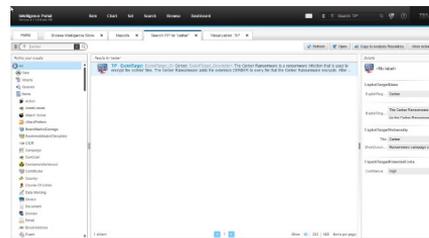
## Compare to Dark Web Data

*Focus on the key groups relevant to you. Through vendor feeds, observe their activity on the dark web to determine if they are planning and attack*

### Executive & Operational Dashboard



### Triage & Investigations



### Analyst Workbench



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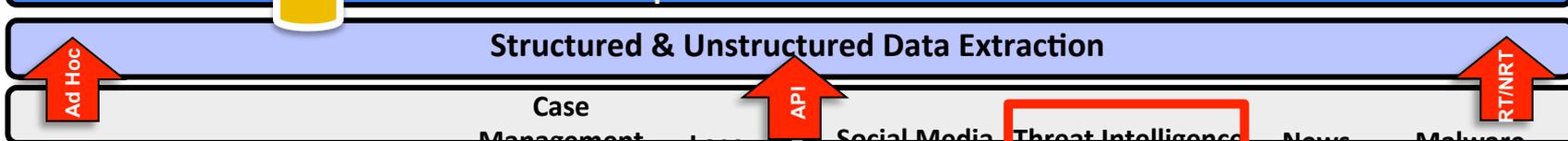
Analytics Layer



Storage Layer



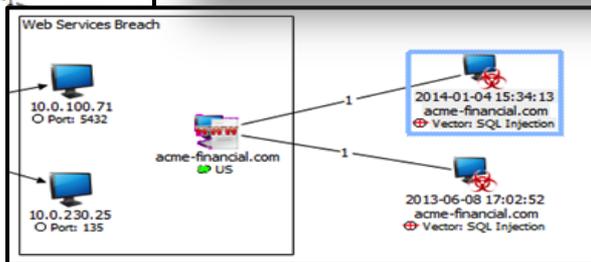
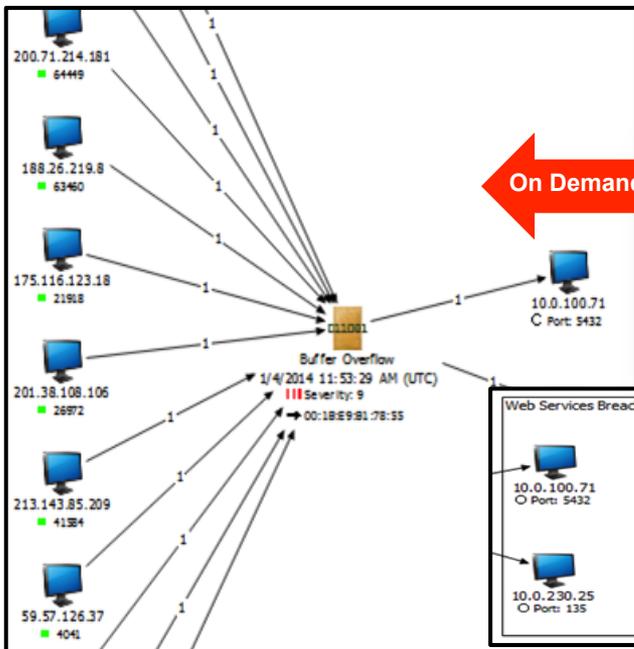
Extraction Layer



Data Source Layer



# Tactical Cyber Intelligence Operations



## Extending Investigations and Function

*On Demand Access to SIEM data, notable events, and alerts:*

- **Expand on an Alert** analysts can tie together an alert to multiple previous events, opening up the investigation
- **Enable Hunting** explore the SIEM data in a different way, uncovering patterns of interest and unseen events
- **Light Weight Deployment** i2 EIA takes advantage of the SIEM data warehouse and seamlessly connects 10 analysts to the system getting up and running in less than 30 days

“An investigation that would have taken me all day in Splunk took me 10 clicks with i2.”

-Brian Olson, VP Security Operations & Architecture

# EIA Cyber Analysis Use Cases

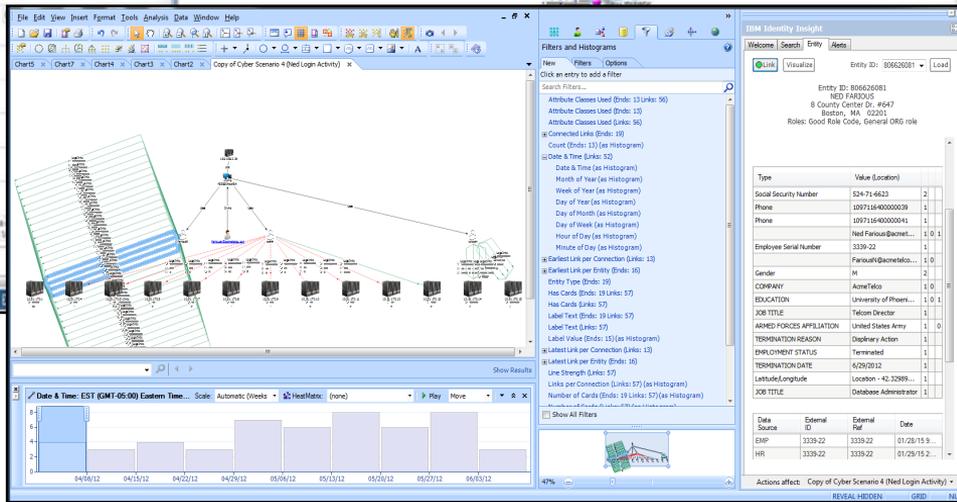
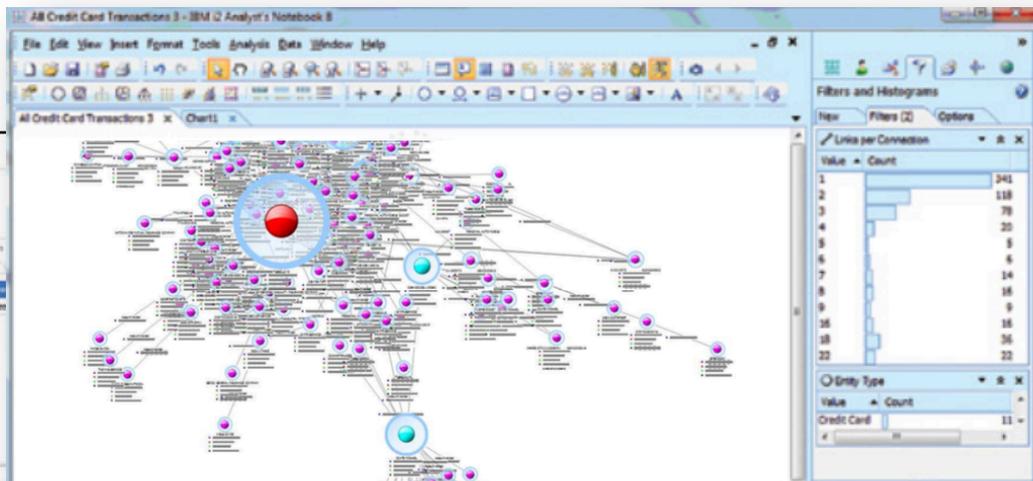
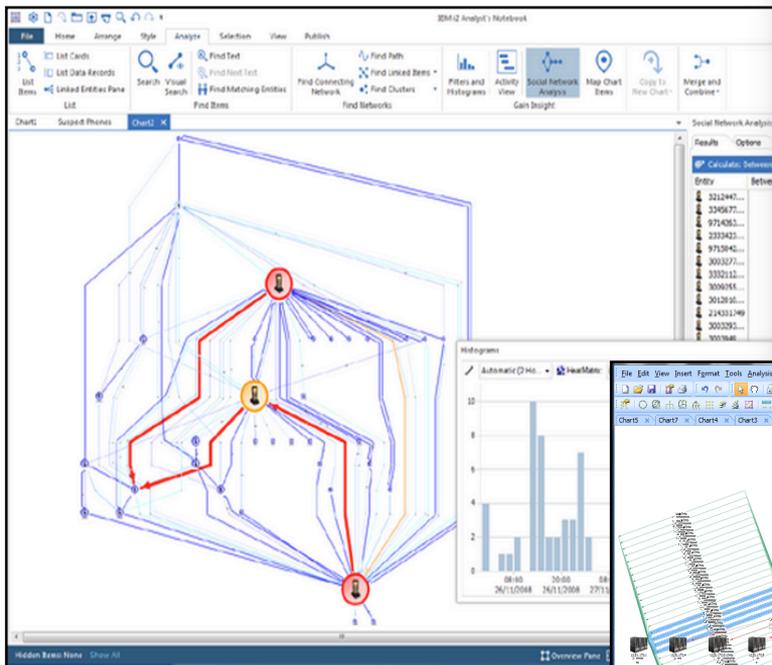
## General Use Cases

- Advanced Persistent Threat Discovery
- Insider Threat Identification and Investigation
- Disgruntled Employee Identification
- Employee Sensitive Data Caching
- Asset Vulnerability vs. Criticality Comparison
- Threat Campaign Tracking
- Strategic Report Production for Leadership
- HIPS and IDS Correlation
- External Scanning Pattern Analysis
- Spear-phishing Identification and Impact Analysis
- Pirated Software Use Identification
- Threat Intelligence Integration into Incidents
- Big Data Analysis Search Across Large Data Sets

## Financial Sector Use Cases

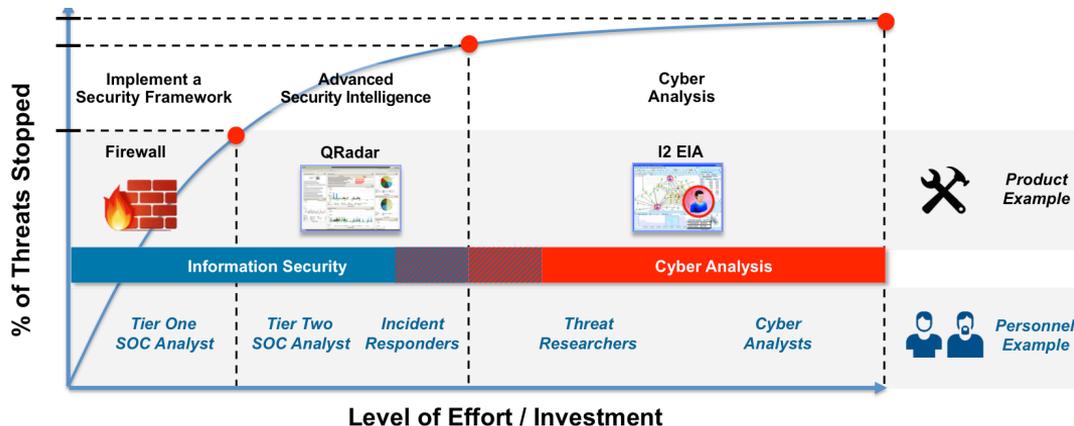
- Fraud Detection and Investigation
- Retrace Trades for Compliance
- Insider Trading Identification and Investigation
- Executive Information Security Protection
- Reputation and Brand Awareness
- Integration of State-Level Threat Reporting
- Vendor Risk Management Compliance Tracking
- Identify Employees with Competitive “Side Jobs”
- Identify Individuals Leaking info to Media
- Discover Customer Data Leaked Online
- Discover Leaked Sensitive Documents Online
- Darkweb Data Aggregation and Discovery
- Social Media Monitoring and Investigation

# Screenshots





# Cyber Analysis builds on Security Intelligence



## i2 Key Complimentary areas to QRadar

- Unstructured data transformation
- Non-traditional data (e.g. news, SM)
- Trend analysis and visualization
- Discover “unknown, unknowns”
- User defined analytics
- Data enrichment and correlation
- Investigation and discovery tooling
- Intelligence report creation
- Advanced link analysis
- Streamline workflow w/ many sources
- Geospatial integration
- Analyst object customization
- Non-obvious relationship discovery
- Entity connection discovery
- Strategic Threat Campaign tracking

### Customer Pain Points after a SIEM:



**Hidden Threats Hiding in Network**  
How do I find the signals in the noise?



**Lack of Actionable Intelligence**  
How do leaders make decisions?



**Where Should Analysts Look**  
How to find a needle in a stack of needles?



**Too Much Data, Too Many Sources**  
How do I put the picture together?

# Why You Should Care About a Joint Sales Strategy

## Security Intelligence

IBM Security QRadar®



***“The Splunk Killer for Security Intelligence”***

- QRadar is the market leading security intelligence platform with out-of-the-box rules, analytics, and reporting
- i2 is integrated with QRadar for extensive visualization and multi-dimensional analysis
- Splunk requires custom integration with a 3<sup>rd</sup> party product to provide visualization

## Cyber Analysis

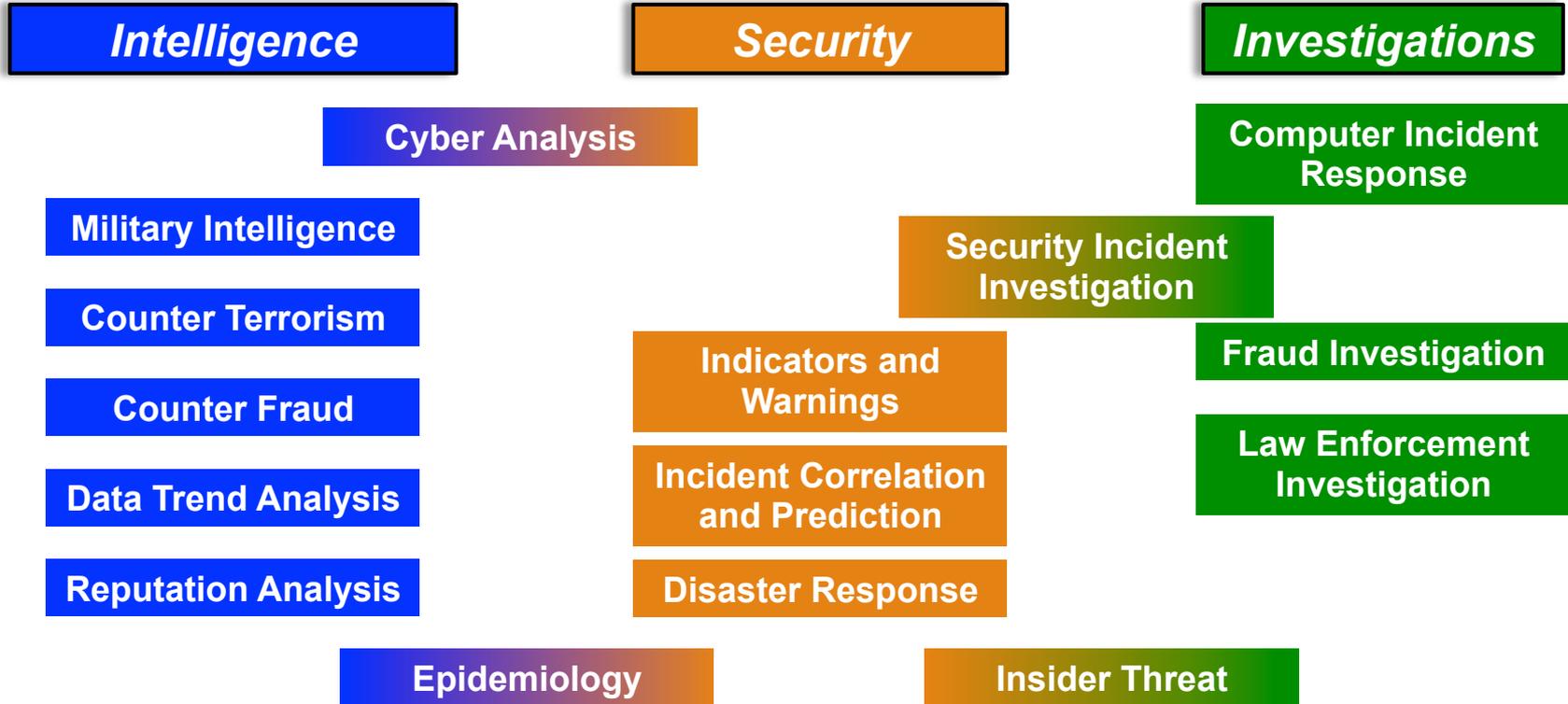
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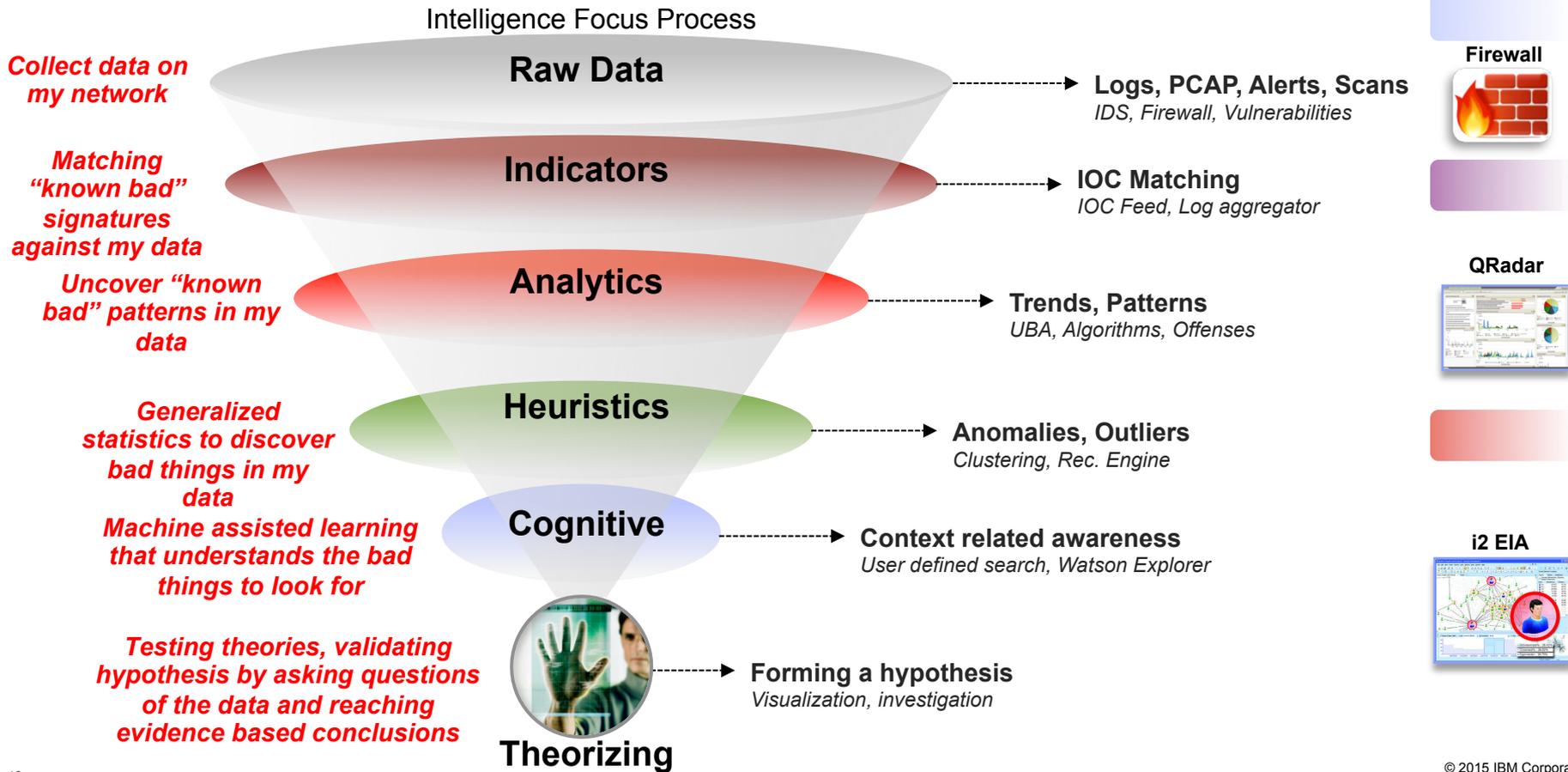
***“The Palantir Killer for Cyber Analysis”***

- i2 integrates with QRadar, the industry leading SIEM
- Palantir has no internal security expertise
- Custom integration with Palantir and a SIEM requires significant investment in resources and/or services

# I2 Enterprise Insight Analysis – Use Cases



# Cyber Analysis: Human Enabled Intelligence



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