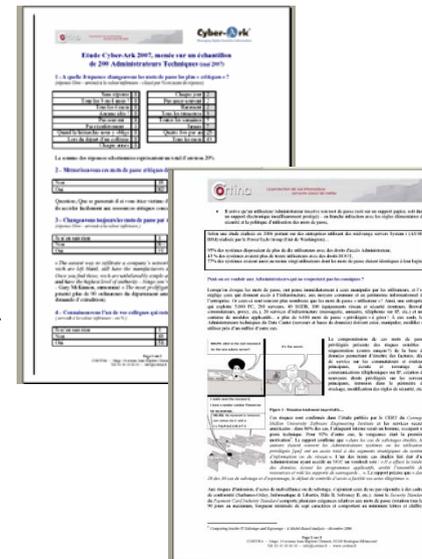


Création, Sécurisation, Traçabilité des mots de passe : Une situation totalement sous contrôle ?

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A votre disposition :

- Etude Cyber-Ark « *Password Survey 2007* »
- Livre blanc « *Audit de mots de passe* »
- Livre blanc « *Vive les mots de passe* »





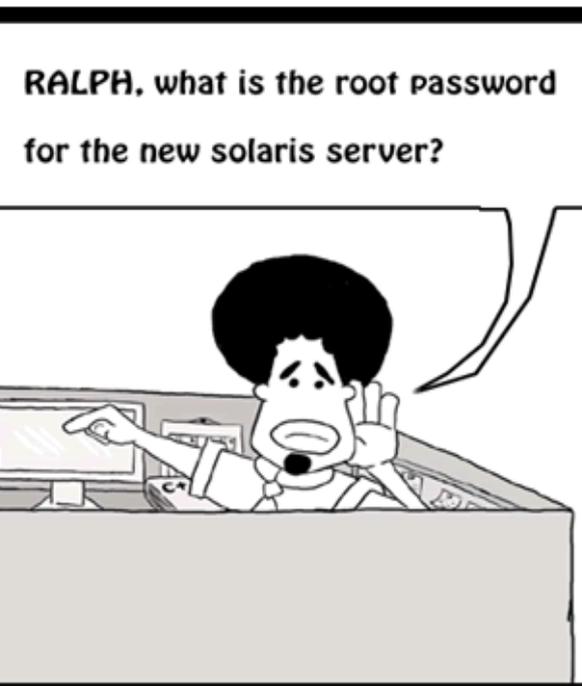
Managing Privileged Accounts

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RALPH, what is the root password for the new solaris server?



It's TOP secret.



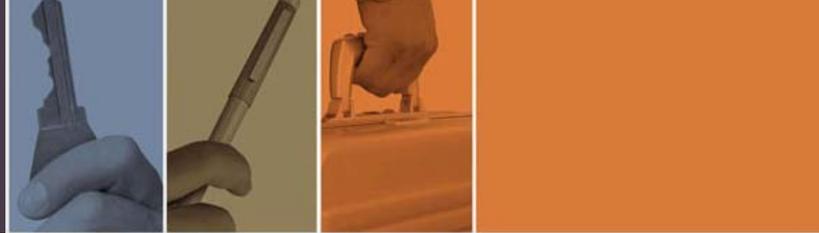
I really need the password,
I have a vendor coming Tomorrow
for an upgrade.

NO,NO, the password is topsecret,
just replace the E' with 3.
it's **T-O-P-S-E-C-R-3-T !!**

Agenda



1. What problems stem from the spread of superuser privileges and shared privileged accounts?
2. How can you better manage service account passwords?
3. What solutions can you use to better manage these privileges and accounts?

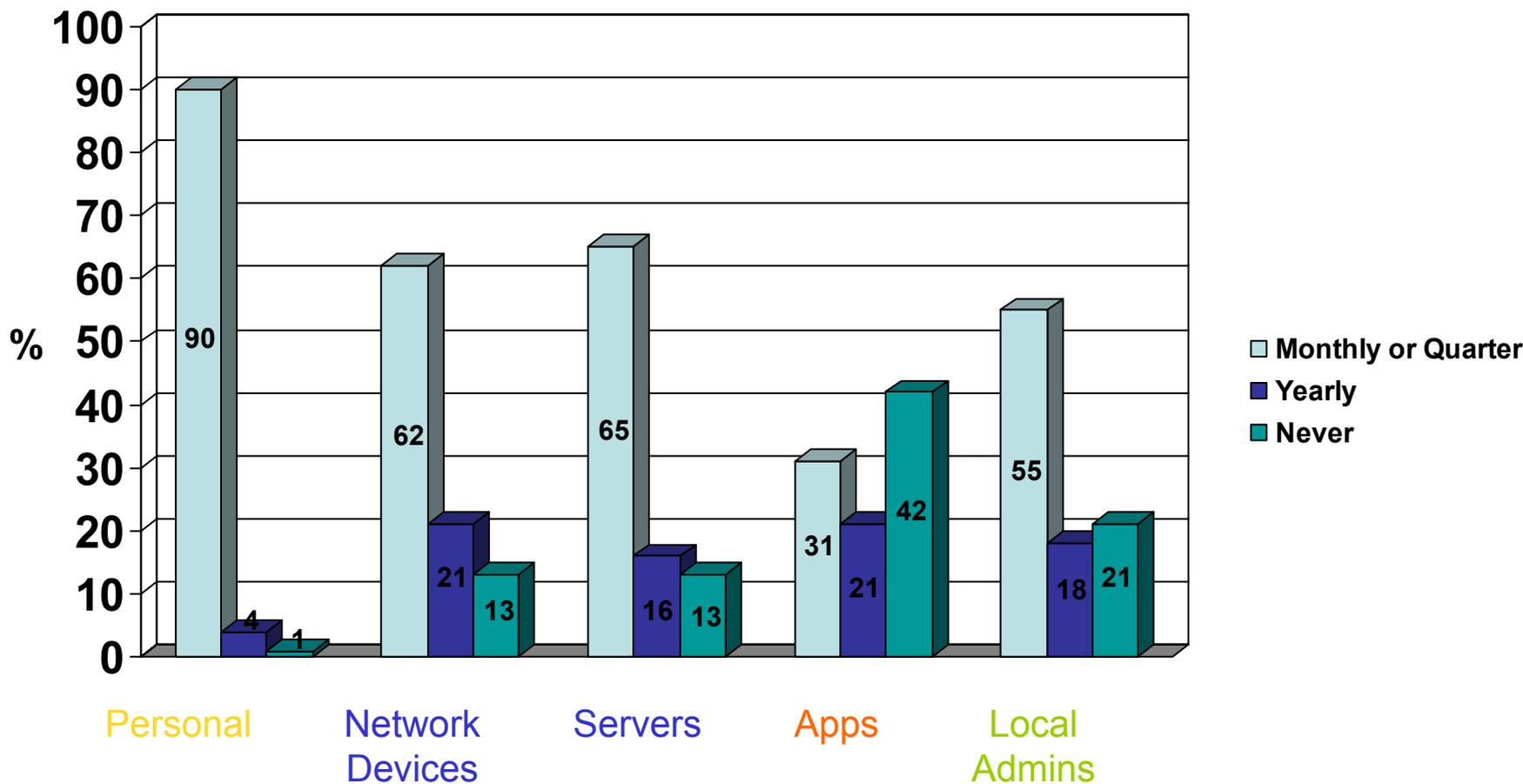


What problems stem from the spread of superuser privileges and shared privileged accounts?

Policies For Regular Accounts Are Not Implemented For Privileged Accounts



Password reset frequency



Privileged Account Types



Administrative Accounts

Shared Predefined:

- UNIX root
- Cisco enable
- DBA accounts
- Windows domain
- Etc.

Shared:

- Help Desk
- Fire-call
- Operations
- Emergency
- Legacy applications
- Developer accounts

Owned by the system:

- Not owned by any person or "identity"

Application Accounts

Hard-coded, embedded:

- Resource (DB) IDs
- Generic IDs
- Batch jobs
- Testing Scripts
- Application IDs

Service Accounts:

- Windows Service Accounts
- Scheduled Tasks

Personal Computer Accounts

Windows Local administrator:

- Desktops
- Laptops

One Rule for the Privileged... '



- Users with superuser (administrator, root) and similar privileges can do a lot of damage...
- But many organizations subject ordinary users to greater rigour!
- Why do so many users have superuser privileges when they don't need (all of) them (all of the time)?
- Why are so many superuser accounts – and hence, passwords – shared?

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Cause and Effect



- Study from December 19th 2006 - Source CERT
 - Insiders were disgruntled and motivated by revenge for a negative work-related event.
 - Insiders exhibited concerning behavior prior to the attack.
 - Insiders who committed IT sabotage held technical positions.
 - The majority of the insiders attacked following termination

Where's Your REAL Risk



- 86% of the insiders held technical positions,
- 90% were granted system administrator or privileged system access.
- 59% of the insiders were former employees,
- 57% should not have authorized system access at the time of the attack,
- 64% used remote access.

How to Easily Access any Windows Machine in the Network - I



Step 1 –

Many cracking tools for Windows local users are available on the web. Any insider can use them to crack the local Administrator password on **her** own laptop/desktop...



| ID | USERNAME\LMHASH | LMpasswd1 | LMpasswd2 | NTpasswd |
|------|------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
| 500 | Administrator | | P | Fritz88 |
| 1008 | ASPNET | | | |
| 1006 | fritz | FRITZ88 | | |
| 501 | Guest | ASDFASD | | |
| 1003 | HelpAssistant | | YD03V3K | |
| 1010 | paralamas | 477568A | TUQUE | 47756batuque |
| 1005 | peter | SP330YG | ONZ4LES | Sp33dyGonz4les |
| 1004 | Philippe | | | |
| 1002 | SUPPORT_388945a0 | /EMPTY/ | | |

How to Easily Access any Windows Machine in the Network - II

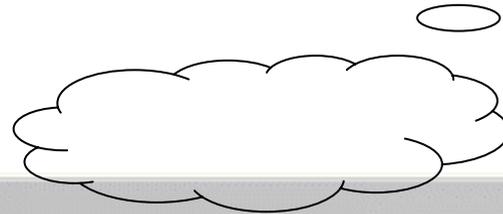


Step 2 –

Since it is the same password being used across the organization for all local administrators, the user can now remotely access any desktop with administrator permissions!



CEO desktop



```
C:\> C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe
C:\> net use x: \\CEO-desktop\C$ FriTz88 /user:administrator_
```

Problems With Reckless Superuser Privileges



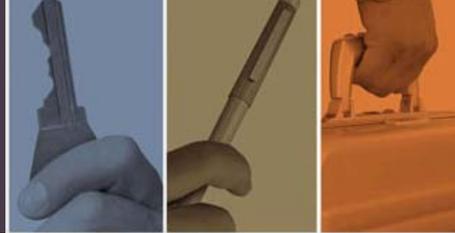
- **MOST SERIOUS** violation of the principle of least privilege
- Huge opportunity for security breaches through ignorance, accident or malice
- High privacy risk through access to sensitive personal data (medical, financial, R&D, etc.)
- High compliance risk through access to financial systems, cardholder data, etc.

→ *Can you provide individual users with just the superuser privileges they need?*

→ *And only when they need them?*

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Multi-facet problem requires comprehensive solution



| | Which | Problems | Requirements |
|--------------------|---|---|---|
| Administrative | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Servers • Network appliances • Databases | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highly powerful • Shared • Recurring • Easy to guess • Rarely changed | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal accountability • Highly secure long-term storage • Dual control release mechanism • Accessibility on disaster recovery scenarios • Frequent resets |
| Applications | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application IDs • Scripts • Batch jobs • Service accounts • Scheduled tasks | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stored in clear text • Risky to change • Difficult to change • Shared | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Automatic mechanism to facilitate periodic resets • To be hidden from developers and support staff |
| Personal Computers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local admins | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highly powerful • Widely known • Recurring • Easy to guess • Rarely changed | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temporary access for helpdesk and field technical staff (fire-call) • Personal accountability • Automatic and managed reset process • Dual control release mechanism |





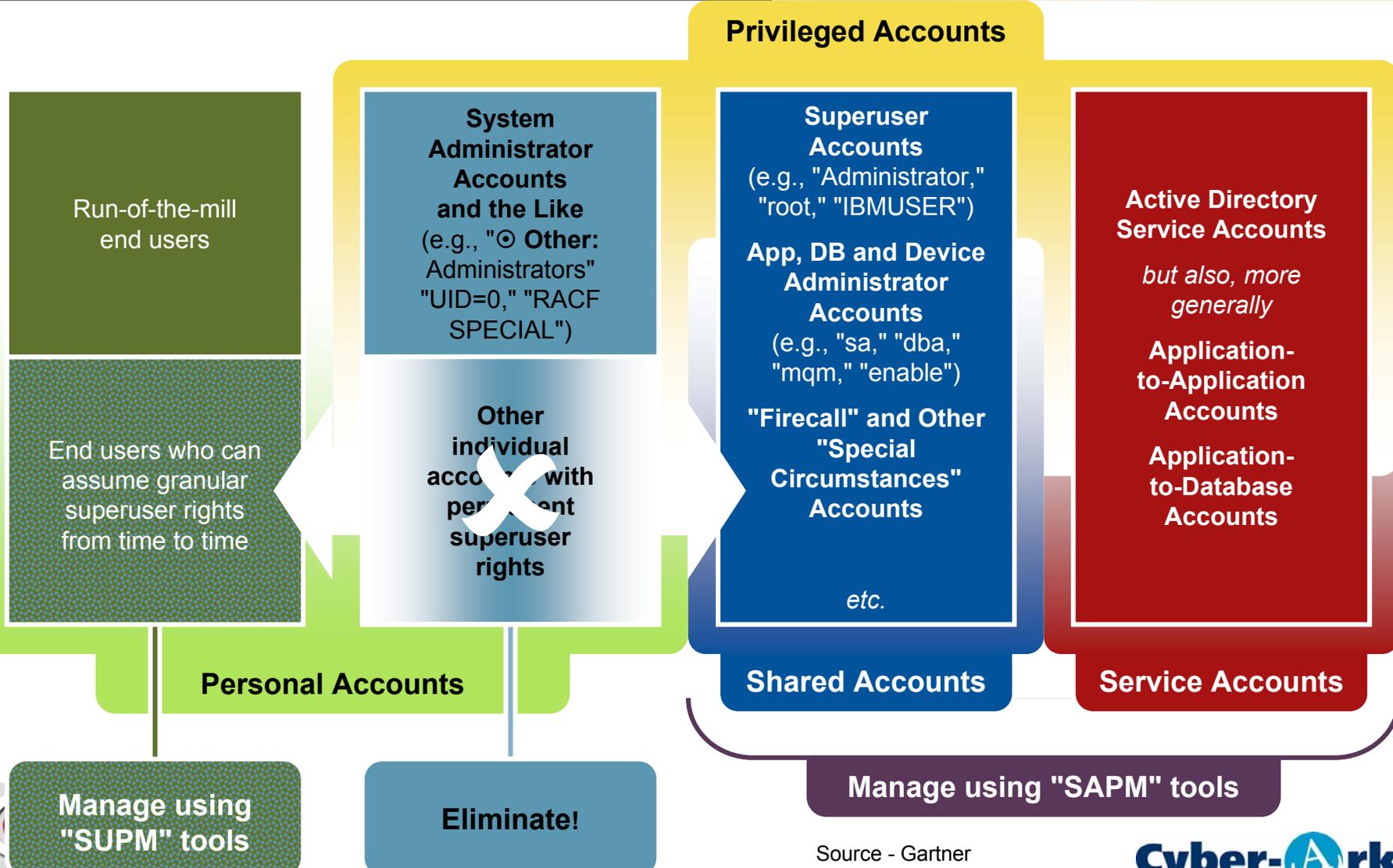
How Can You Better Manage Service Account Passwords?

Managing The Problem



1. Count your privileged passwords
2. Personalize who has privileged or super user access
3. Disable inactive accounts
4. Make sure that passwords are changed on a regular basis
5. Don't forget embedded accounts
6. Automate, automate, automate

The User Community



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What Solutions Can You Use To Better Manage These Privileges And Accounts?

What Is Required?

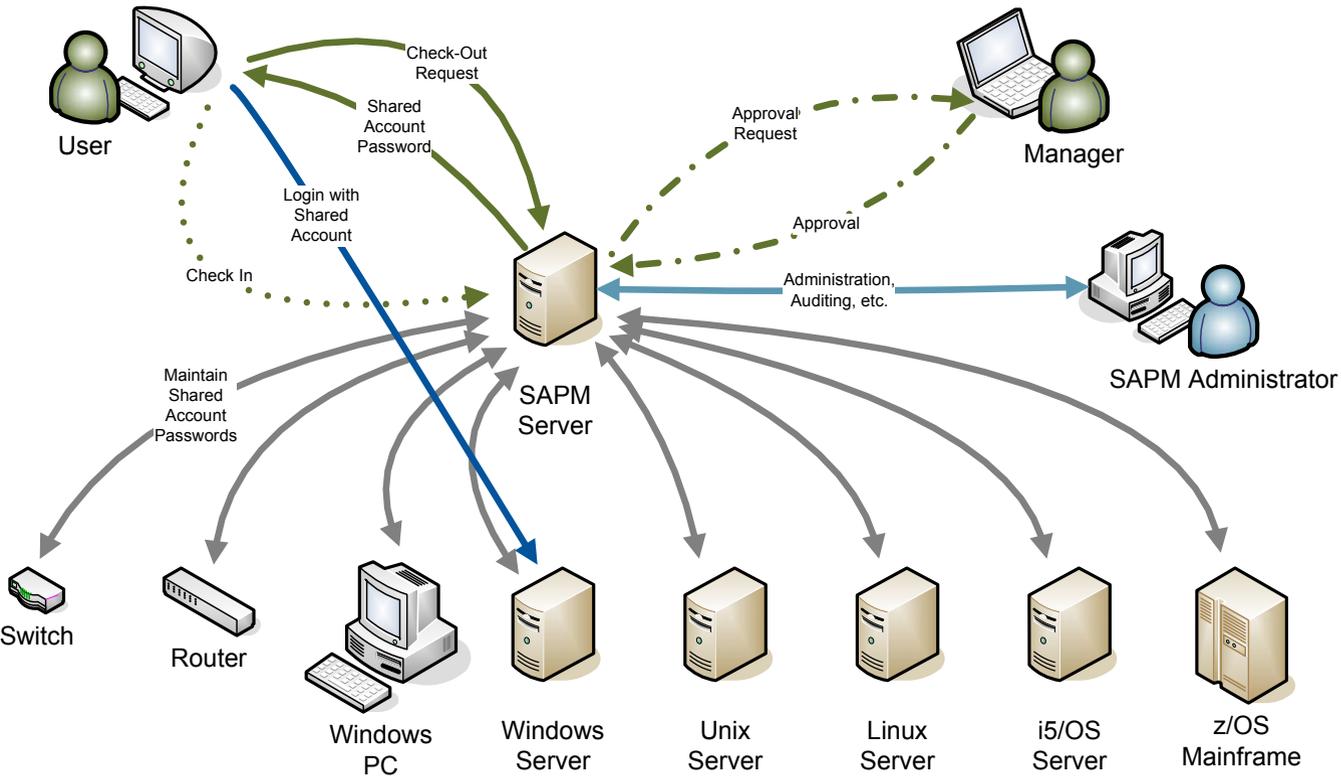


- ✓ **Enterprise policy enforcement**
 - ✓ Frequent Auto Change
 - ✓ Dual Control
 - ✓ One-time Password
 - ✓ Unique strong password

- ✓ **Strong auditing**
 - ✓ Personalization
 - ✓ Secured sharing

- ✓ **Business continuity**
 - ✓ Long-term Storage
 - ✓ Availability during Disaster Recovery

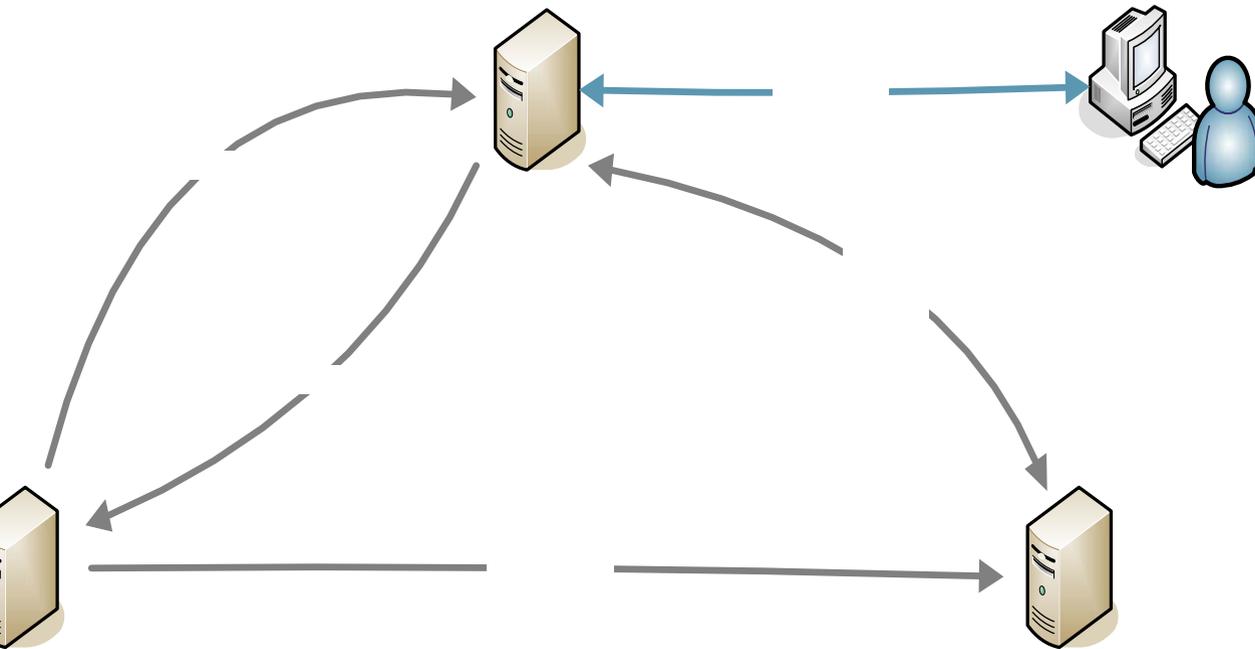
SAPM/PPM Tools



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- Users can "check out" specified shared accounts
- Check-out request may need manager's (or other's) approval (dual control)
- Shared-account password released to the user, who can log in with that account
- Request is logged → user is accountable
- SAPM server resets password when user "checks in" or after a preset time

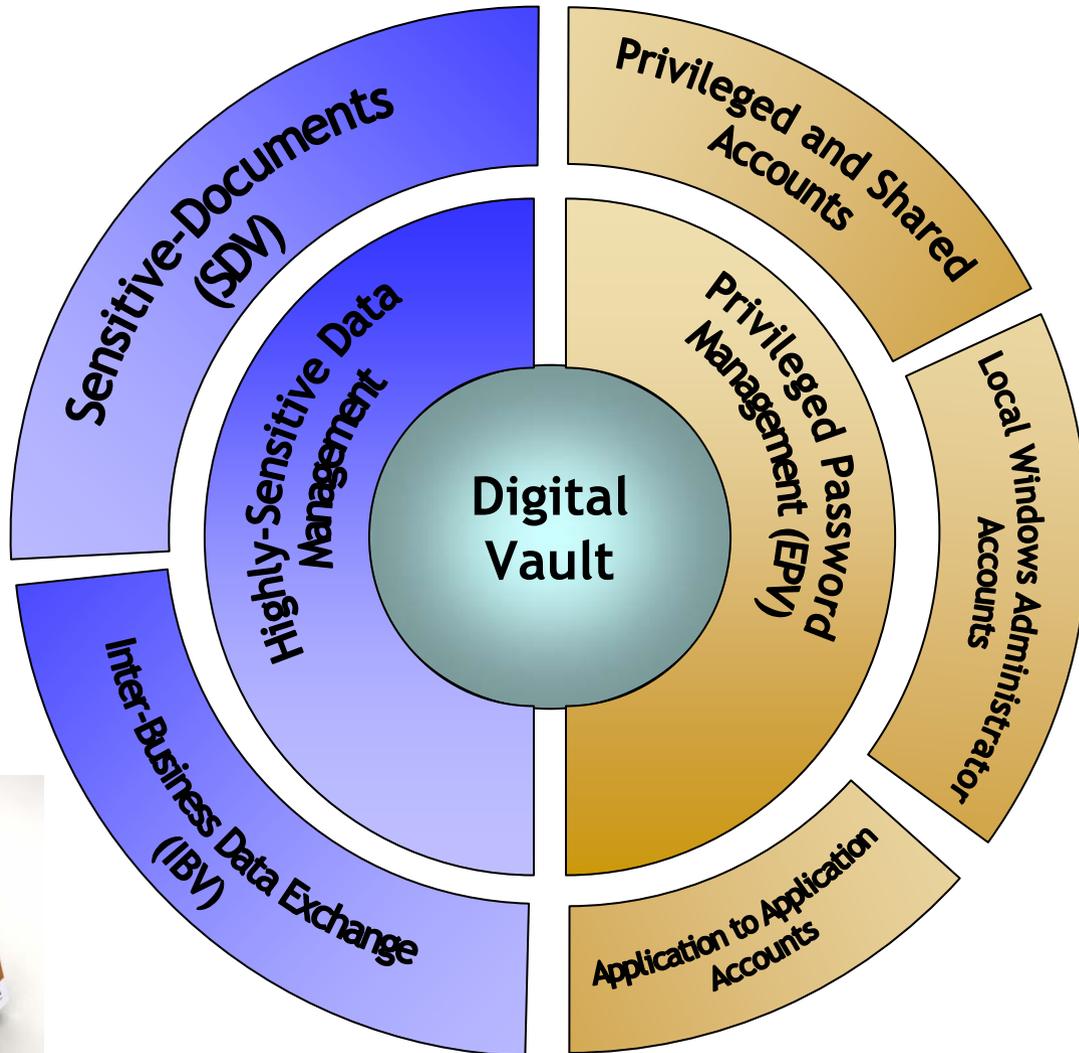
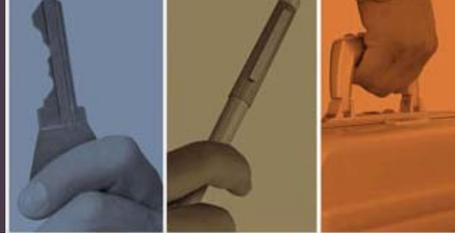
Service Account Password Management



- Requesting application retrieves service account password from SAPM server
- Application needn't even know the service account username – can request using alias
- Application logs in with username and password retrieved from SAPM server

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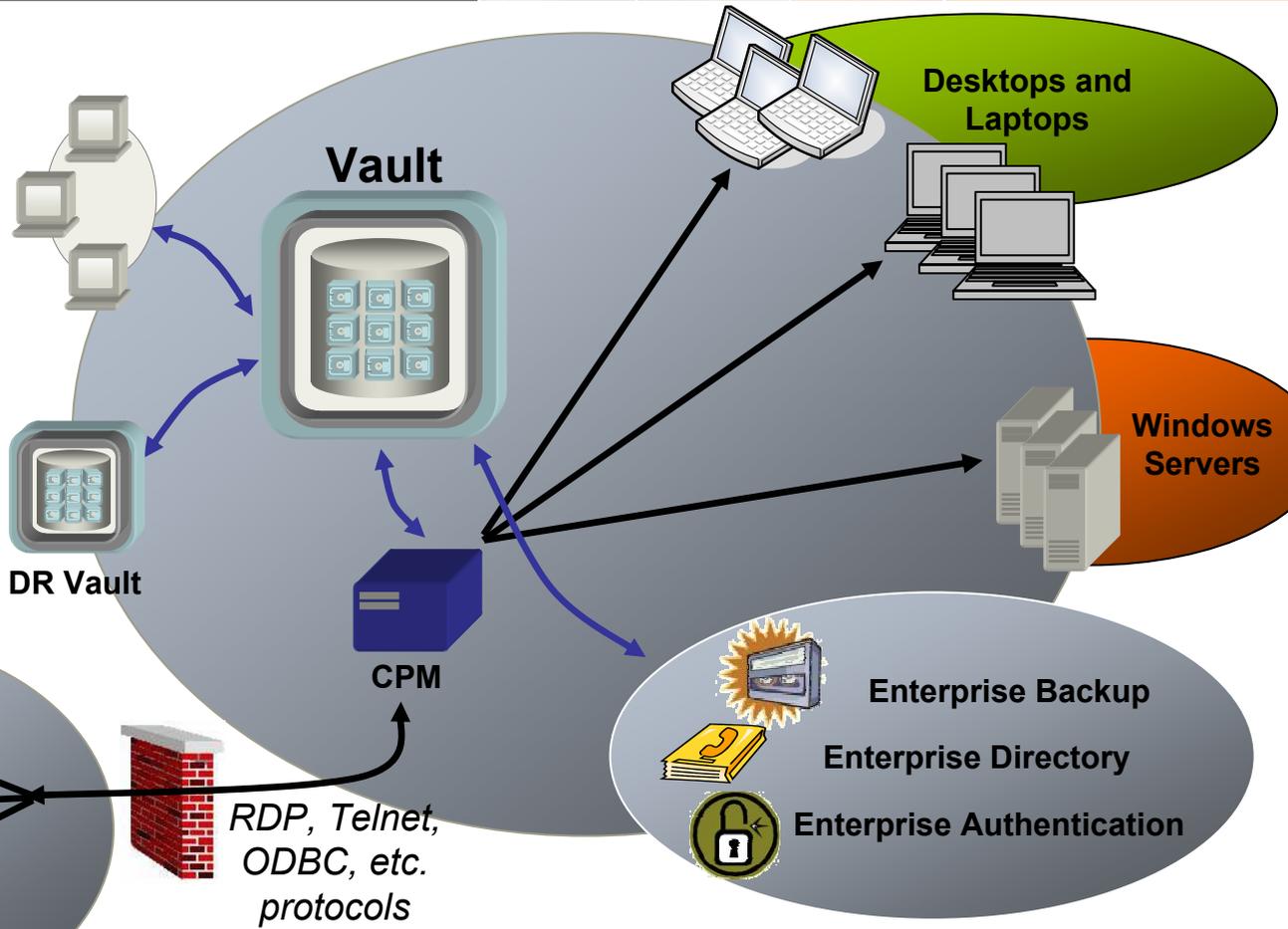
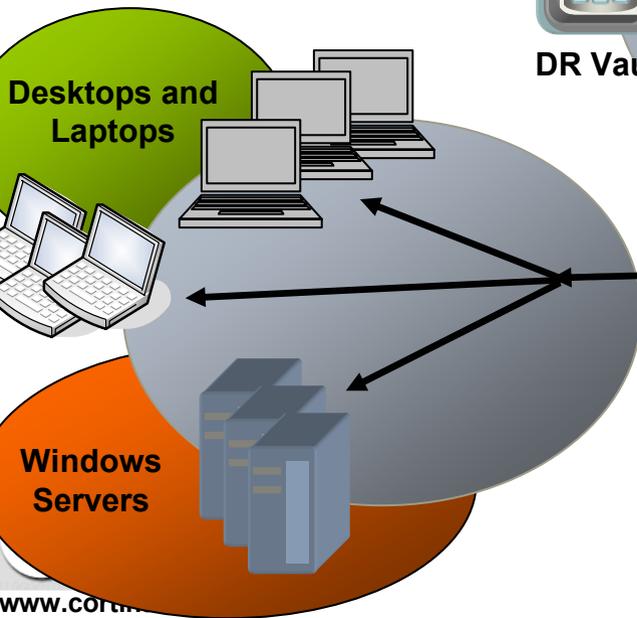
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Windows Local Administrators Simple Architecture



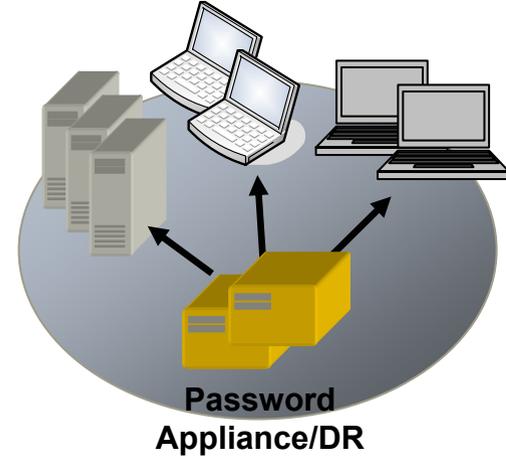
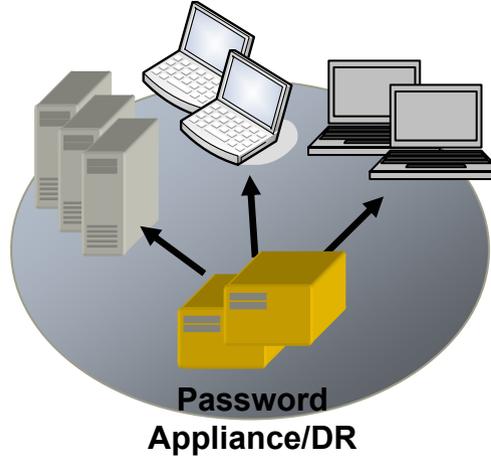
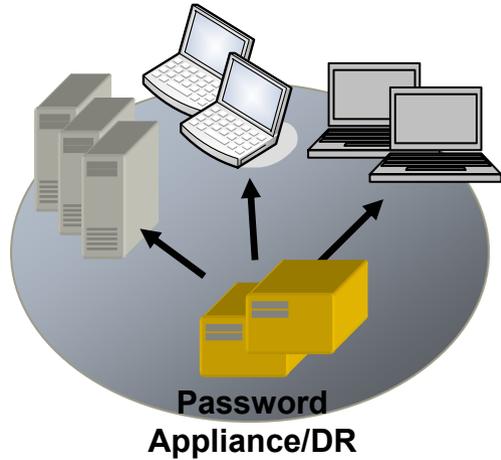
Administrators,
Support Centers,
Helpdesks



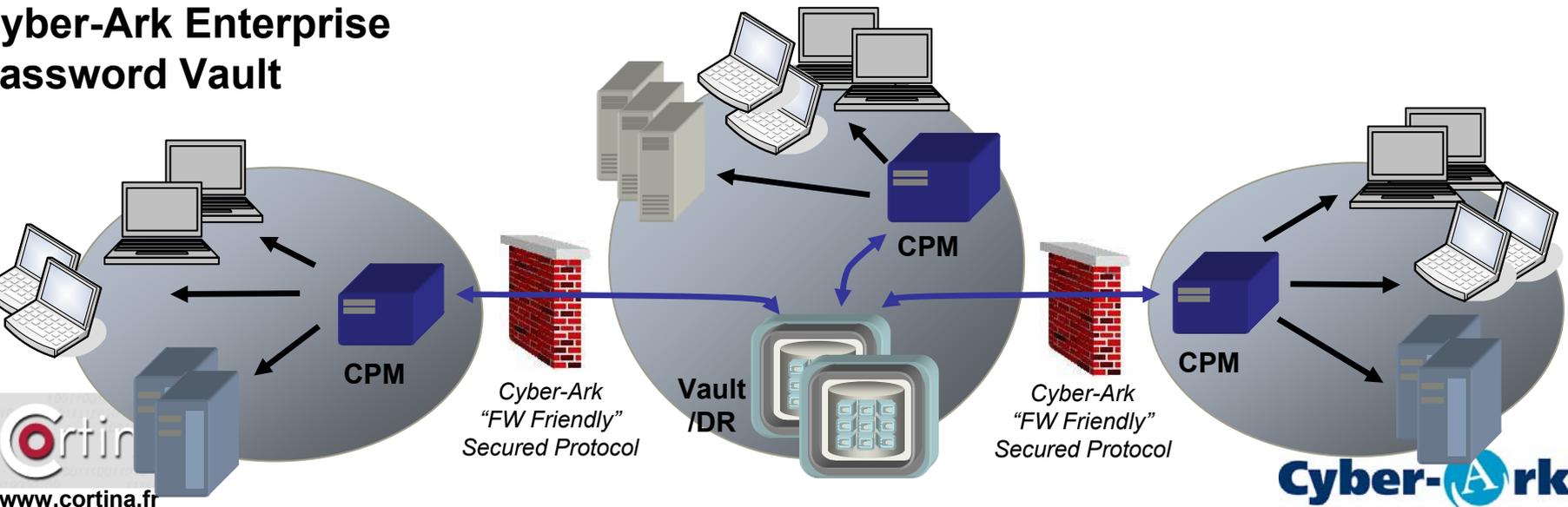
Distributed Architecture



All-in-one Solutions



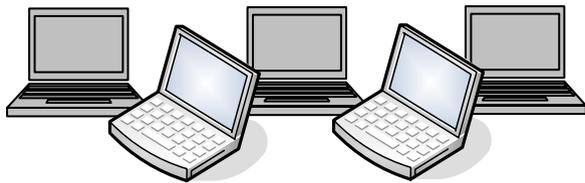
Cyber-Ark Enterprise Password Vault



Windows Local Administrators Concept of Operation



| System | User | Pass |
|-----------|---------------|-------------|
| Desktop A | Administrator | psw4deskadm |
| Desktop B | Administrator | psw4deskadm |
| Desktop C | Administrator | psw4deskadm |
| Laptop D | Administrator | psw4lapadm |
| Laptop E | Administrator | psw4lapadm |



Desktops & Laptops

Cap8@fs



CPM



Vault



Personal ID

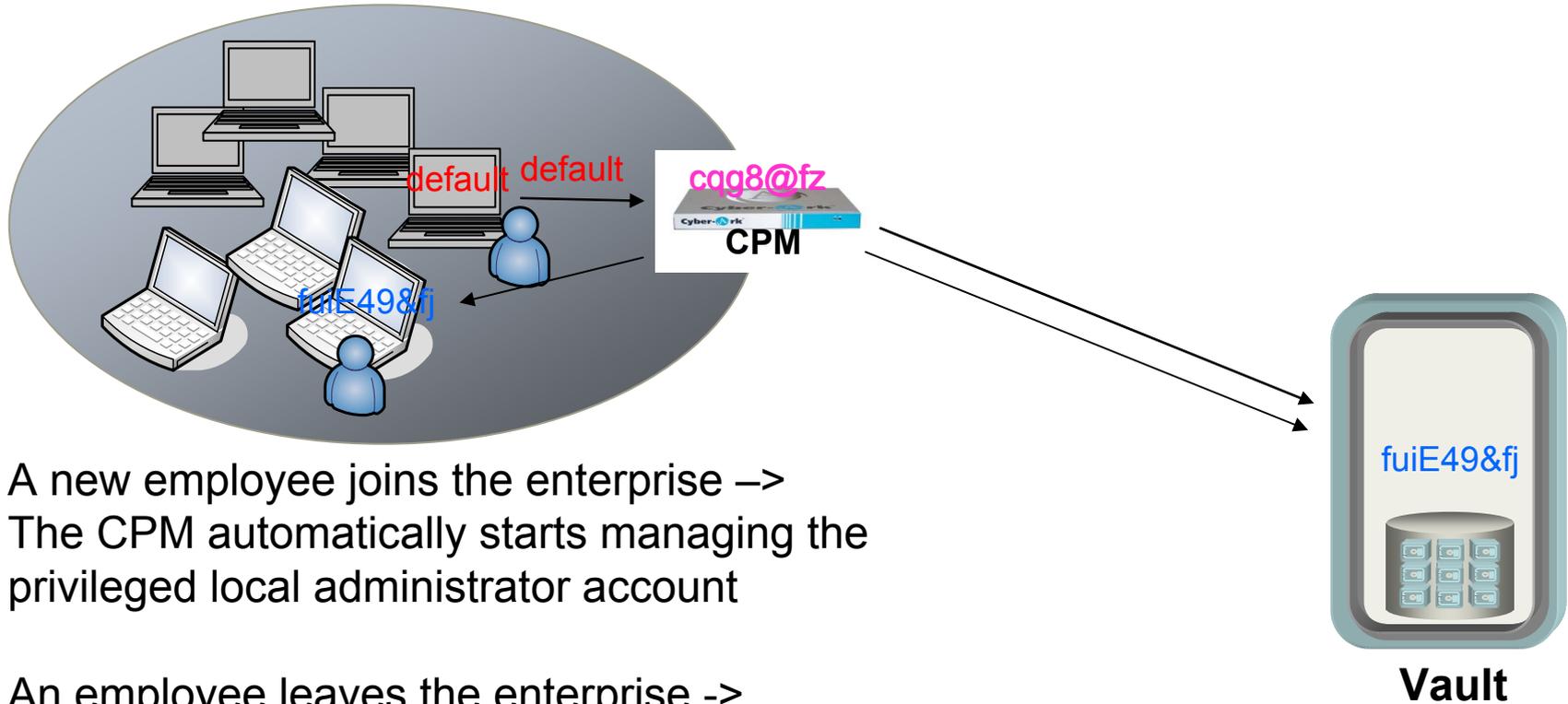


IT personnel

- Until today – local administrator passwords are the same across enterprise desktops/laptops and usually IT staff and help desk personnel memorize them
- Using the EPV solution – different passwords are automatically generated for each PC and IT staff are no longer familiar with them
- Whenever a password is required by an authorized user, it is checked-out from the Vault
- It is then used on the desktop or laptop and automatically changed upon check-in

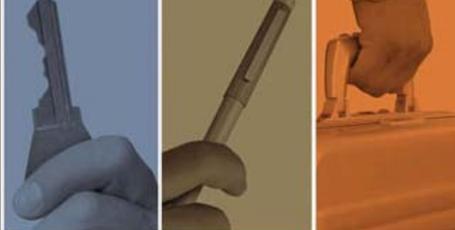


Windows Local Administrators Automatic Machines Detection



- A new employee joins the enterprise →
The CPM automatically starts managing the privileged local administrator account
- An employee leaves the enterprise →
The CPM automatically archives the relevant machine (password) in the Vault

Contrôle hiérarchique



Responsable
Oracle



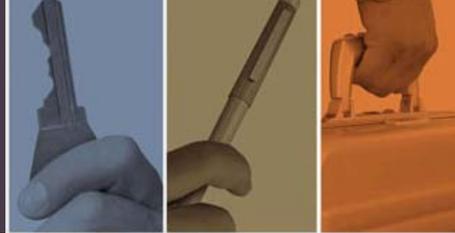
DBA Oracle



DRH, ou DAF

“Data
Owner”

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Dashboard Passwords Files

System Information

8 policies have errors (28 passwords failed to change)

- CyberArk (3 passwords failed)
- WinService (7 passwords failed)
- Cisco router via SSH (3 passwords failed)
- AS400 (2 passwords failed)
- Unix via Telnet (3 passwords failed)

Central Password Manager [PasswordManager]: **Inactive**

Central Password Manager [PasswordManager 1]: **Unknown**

63 passwords are managed by the Central Password Manager

11 passwords are disabled (1 by CPM, 10 by users)

Password Statistics: 68 passwords Show password statistics by: PolicyID

System Capacity

| Category | Count |
|----------|-------|
| AS400 | 31 |
| Oracle | 10 |
| Other | 7 |
| Windows | 8 |
| CyberArk | 12 |

Passwords Accessed (26 password)

| Category | Count |
|------------|-------|
| UnixSSH | 3 |
| UnixTelnet | 2 |
| CyberArk | 6 |
| Windows | 7 |
| Other | 8 |

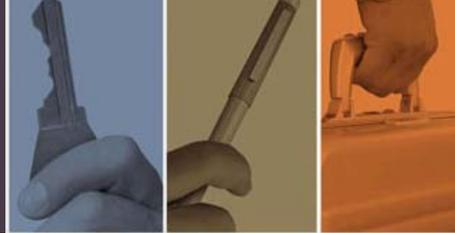
Passwords Modified (3 by users, 3 by the CPM)

| Category | Count |
|------------|-------|
| Oracle | 1 |
| WinDesktop | 2 |
| CyberArk | 2 |

Show password activity for: Last 24 hours Last 48 hours Last 7 days Last month Last quarter

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Audit et Reporting



«Nos bases de données sont stratégiques. Je veux savoir lesquelles ont été accédées, par quel administrateur, quand, pour quelle raison et d'où la demande été faite »

- Retour de congés
- Activité par cible
- Activité par Administrateur
- Utilisateurs activés
- Par raison
- Créations et modification, etc.



Application Passwords



- Scripts & Jobs
 - Shell, Perl, Bat, Sqlplus, JCL...
- Applications
 - Custom developed C/C++, COM, Java, .NET code, Cobol
 - ERP systems
- Application Servers
 - WebSphere, WebLogic, Oracle Application Server...
- Products
 - IT Management tools
 - ETL tools (Informatica, IBM DataStage, etc...)

Hard-Coded Password Embedded in Code



```
.  
.br/>UserName = "app"  
Password = "asdf"  
Host = "10.10.3.56"  
ConnectDatabase(Host, UserName, Password)  
.br/>Work with database  
.
```

source1.vbs

```
.  
.br/>UserName = "app"  
Password = PVToolkit("Vault.ini", "User.ini", "Safe", "Root\Password")  
Host = "10.10.3.56"  
ConnectDatabase(Host, UserName, Password)  
.br/>Work with database  
.
```

source1-new.vbs

The Problem

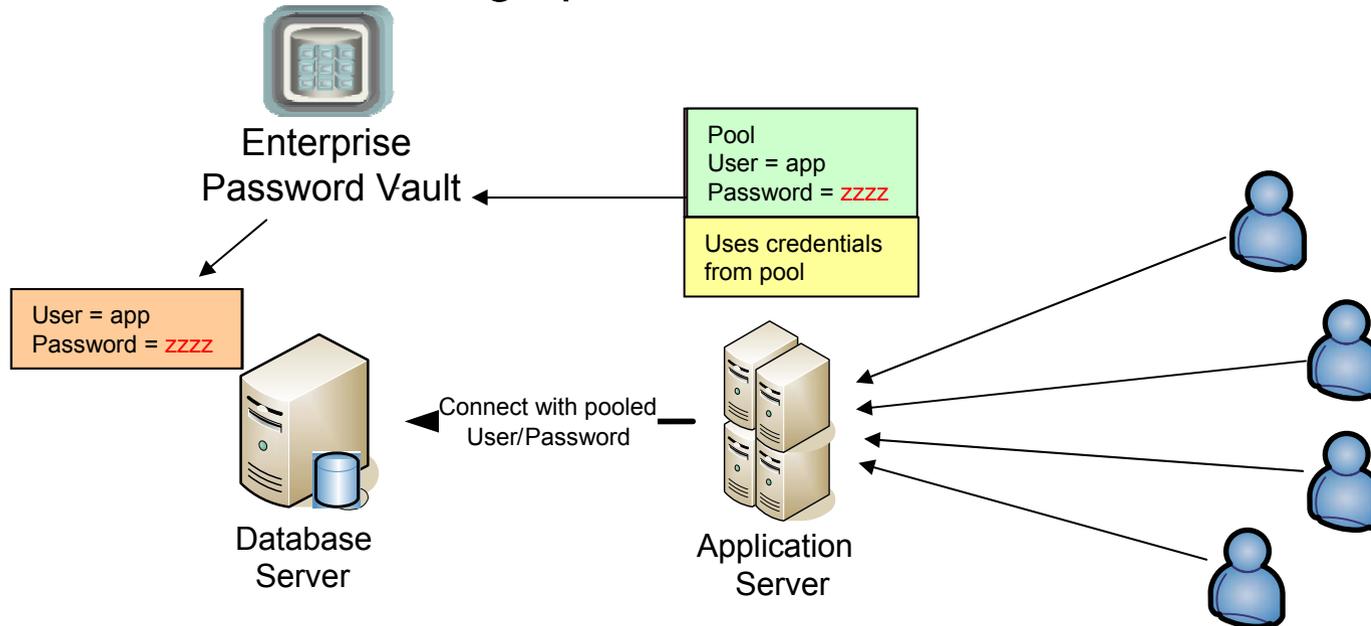


- Data sources credentials are stored in XML files
 - Hard to manage credentials
 - Leads to weaker credentials
 - Credentials are shared among IT and development users
 - Regulation and compliance issues
 - XML files may not be protected
 - No audit on password usage

Application Servers – cont.



- Password change process



- Application Server accesses the EPV whenever a password is required
- Caching is available in Agent running of the Application Server machine

Une solution éprouvée



Final Word from IDC



The risk of internal data misuse can be significantly mitigated by implementing policies that demand special treatment for privileged passwords...

There should be corporate mandates that privileged passwords be changed/reset routinely and on a system wide basis....

These types of actions constitute a best-practices approach to PPM, an important component of a sound overall IAM system implementation.....

