



**CYBERARK**

Don't fight with consequences,  
Protect the cause!

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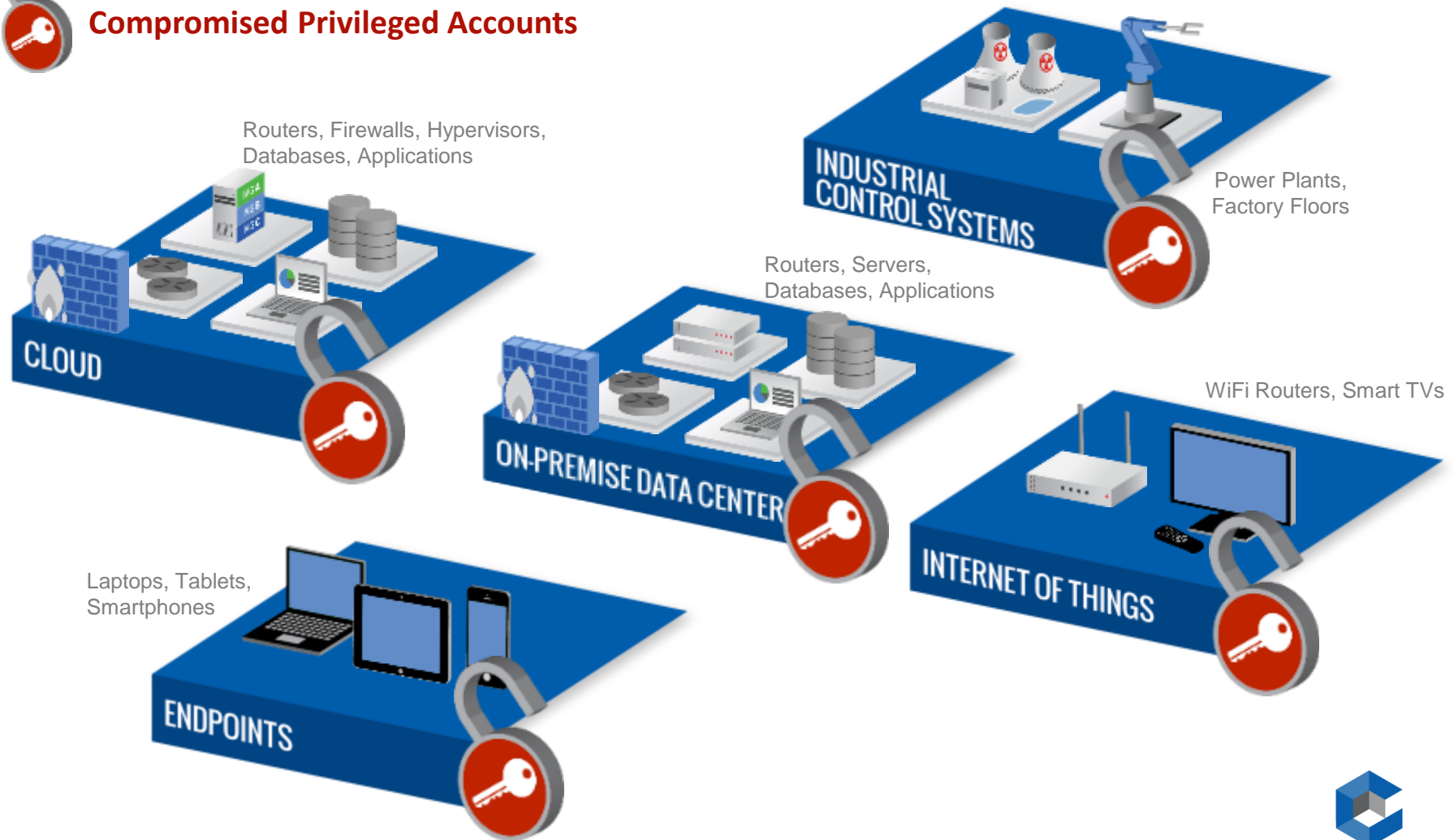
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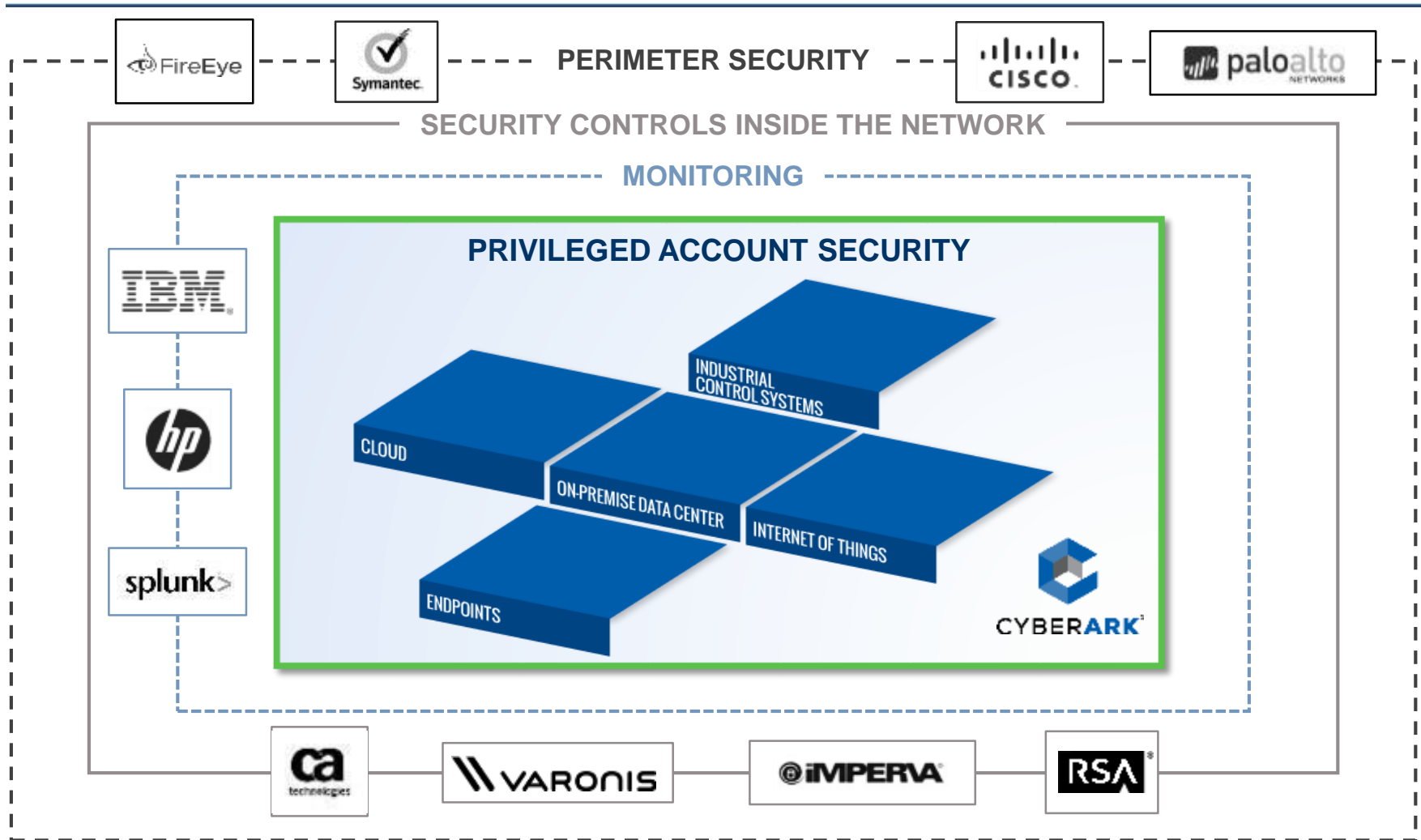
# Hijacked Credentials Put the Attacker in Control



## Compromised Privileged Accounts



# Heart of the enterprise



# Attack phases

As defenses evolve, attackers adapt and innovate. In 2014 we observed new and emerging techniques at each stage of the attack lifecycle. These are a few highlights.

## Hijacking the VPN

Mandiant witnessed more cases in which attackers successfully gained access to victims' VPNs than in any prior year.

## Hiding Webshells

Attackers continued to use novel techniques to deploy and hide web-based malware. Mandiant saw several stealthy techniques, including the following:

- Shells planted on servers that used SSL encryption to evade network monitoring
- Single-line "eval" shells embedded in legitimate web pages
- Server configuration files that were modified to load malicious DLLs

## Leveraging WMI and PowerShell

Attackers increasingly adopted WMI and PowerShell, two powerful built-in components of Windows, to maintain a presence, gather data, and move laterally.

## Malicious Security Packages

Attackers took advantage of Windows security package extensibility to load backdoors and password loggers.

Maintain Presence

Move Laterally



## Plaintext Passwords

Attackers used recompiled variants of the Mimikatz utility to steal plaintext passwords from memory while evading anti-virus detection.

## Kerberos Attacks

After gaining domain administrator privileges, attackers used the Kerberos golden ticket attack to authenticate as any privileged account—even after domain password resets.

# Intrusion phases

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- Reconnaissance
- Initial Exploitation
- Establish Persistence
- Install tools
- Move Laterally
- Collect Exfil and Exploit

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- Reconnaissance – **(Business user privileges, Application credentials, System accounts etc.)**
- Initial Exploitation – **(End-user workstation privileges)**
- Establish Persistence – **(Privileged accounts credentials, Kerberos tickets)**
- Install tools – **(End-user workstation privileges, Privileged accounts credentials)**
- Move Laterally – **(Any credentials, SSH keys, Password hashes, KrbTGT)**
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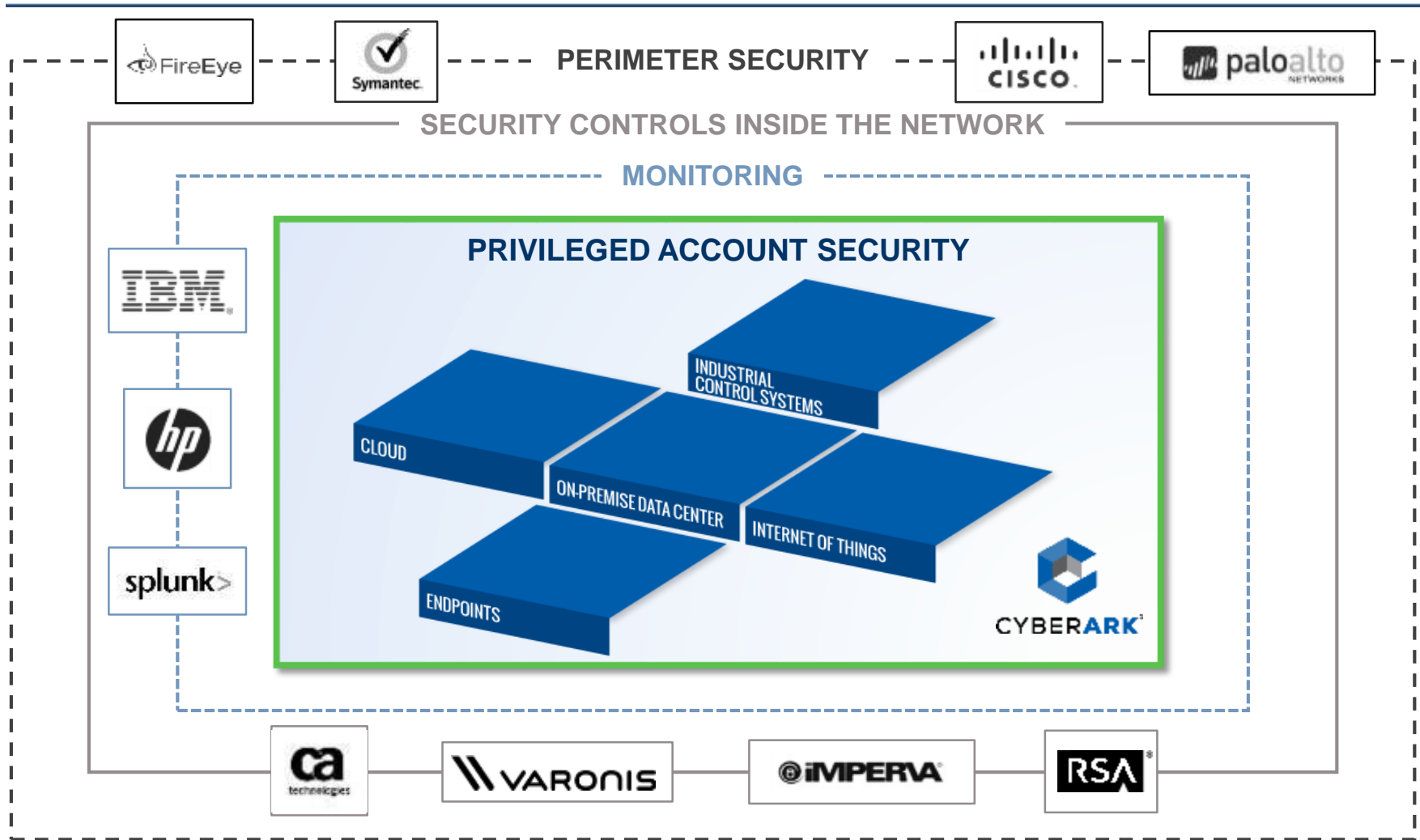
# Just an idea

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**IF YOU'VE BEEN HACKED  
MEANS YOU GAVE HACKER PRIVILEGES  
TO ATTACK**



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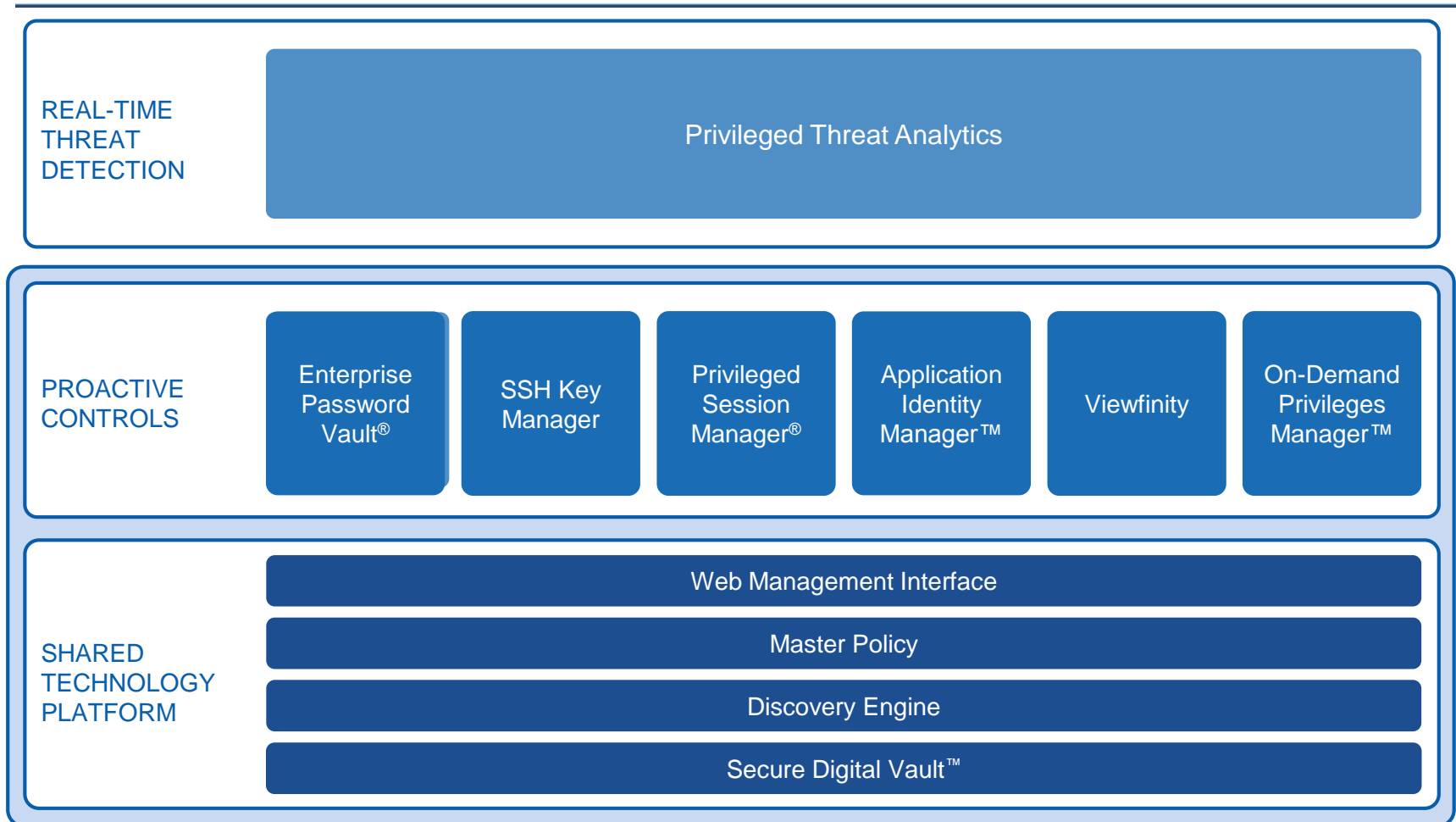


# What to do?

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- Detect privileges in your company
- Protect privileges in a secure place and control access to them
- Implement and automate password policies for all privileged account types
- Isolate critical assets from the target access
- Control user sessions to critical assets
- Control application sessions to critical assets
- Implement least privileges principle in your company
- Manage and control end-user applications and commands
- Analyze user behavior and react in real time on suspicious activity
  
- Protect your PRIVILEGES and stop the attack in the beginning

# CyberArk's Privileged Account Security Solution





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