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QUANTUM THREAT

- Quantum Computers are extremely efficient at solving specific problems
- Breaking cryptography is a topic at which Quantum Computers are very good
 - Symmetric cryptography (TDES, AES): they <u>accelerate</u> the search for keys
 - Asymmetric cryptography (RSA, ECC, DH): they <u>solve</u> the cryptographic problem

SHOR Algorithm allows quantum computers to break currently used asymmetric algorithms



✗ RSA, ECC, DH





QUANTUM THREAT

2022 EXPERTS' ESTIMATES OF LIKELIHOOD OF A QUANTUM COMPUTER ABLE TO BREAK RSA-2048 IN 24 HOURS

Number of experts who indicated a certain likelihood in each indicated timeframe

When will Quantum Computer be able to break currently used cryptography?

50% experts assess that there is 50% chance that the answer is:

IN 2030-2035

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Global Risk Institute, Quantum Threat timeline report 2022

WHEN WILL QUANTUM-SAFE CRYPTOGRAPHY **BECOME MANDATORY?**



cryptography standard

potentially available

published



- Security agencies set the timeline
 - Quantum computer potentially available as soon as 2030
 - Transition to Post Quantum Crypto to be finalized in 2030-2035
 - CISA sponsored study: Provide Identity Management and Associated Trust Support Services is #35 National Critical Function
 - but it is a critical enabler of the PQC migration



WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR IDENTITY MANAGEMENT?



COMPROMISED USER IDENTITY

- Identity proofing
- User authentication
- Account recovery
- Decentralized identity

BREACHED ACCESS MANAGEMENT

- ► Trusted authorities
- Session Authentication
- Equipment access control
- Equipment authentication
- Physical access control
- Digital signature

HOW TO PROTECT FROM QUANTUM THREAT

Migrate to quantum-safe cryptographic algorithms

- Symmetric algorithms (TDES, AES)
- Asymmetric (RSA, ECC, DH)

- \rightarrow move to AES 256
- → migrate to Post Quantum Algorithms

Implementing Post Quantum Algorithms is not plug-and-play, and needs to redefine all currently used protocols

- Communication protocols: TLS, HTTPS, VPN
- Certificates, Digital signature
- Session control: OpenID connect
- User authentication: FIDO, PIV

Standardization process is forthcoming

 Objective is to be ready for NIST/CISA/NSA timeline (Start of migration 2025)



A NEW CHALLENGE: CRYPTOAGILITY



QUANTUM-SAFE ALGORITHMS ARE YOUNG

For the next 10-15 years,

- Vulnerabilities will be discovered
- Some algorithms can be "solved"
- Standards will be evolving

CRYPTOAGILITY IS CRITICAL FOR SECURITY

As soon as a vulnerability is discovered

- Algorithms must be updated
- Including physical credentials and devices

If there is a need to change algorithm

- Decouple encryption algorithms from workflows
- Protocols need to be changed everywhere at the same time
- Credentials must be reissued



HOW TO PREPARE: SHORT TERM PRIORITIES FOR POC



1. Prepare digital world for crypto agility

- Impact on IAM architecture
- New required services
- Crypto agility implementation

2. Prepare the physical world for migration

- Deploy quantum-ready devices as soon as possible
- Remotely manage crypto agility

Questions?

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