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# Game Time

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*President & CEO Hortica Robert McClellan*

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*IBM spokesman Fred McNeese*

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*Ohio State "The administration"*

# When tapes go missing.....

## Agenda

- Reported cases in the media
- Cost of losing media
- Data Breach Laws
- Recovering the data
- Protecting Your Media



# 'Reported' cases of lost media

- *July 4, 2007 – Ohio – 400,000 State employees, Taxpayers, Schools,...*
- *Apr. 6, 2007 – Hortica – SSN, DL, Bank Acc*
- *May 15, 1007 – IBM – SSN, DOB, Addresses*
- *Jan. 19, 2007 – U.S. IRS via City of Kansas City – 26 tapes.....*
- *Sept. 7, 2006 – Circuit City and Chase – 2.6 million cardholders*
- *June 6, 2005 – CitiFinancial – 3,900,000*

*\* <http://www.privacyrights.org/ar/ChronDataBreaches.htm>*

# At what COST

- Impact to the company:
  - trade secrets
  - confidential financial information
  - customer data
  - employee data
  - company image
- Civil Damages
  - Tech//404® Data Loss Cost Calculator
    - examples given ranging from \$1,000-\$21,000 pp
    - <http://www.tech-404.com/calculator.html>

# Case in point - Ohio

- Akron Beacon Journal - Stolen tape
  - The state is paying more than \$700,000 to provide all state employees with identity-theft protection services and to hire an independent computer expert to review what data the tape contained.
  - Tape stolen June 10 from unlocked car of a intern “who had been designated to take the backup device home as part of a **standard security procedure**”.
  - ***“The administration continues to maintain that it does not believe the information has been accessed because it would require specific hardware, software and expertise.”***

# Losing the tapes

- Theft
- Lost in Transit
- End of Life/Discarding media
  - Ebay
  - Corporate auctions
  - Dumpster Diving

# Case study

- Out of 20 DLT tapes purchased from various vendors on e-bay
  - 1 physically damaged
  - 2 data unreadable due to hardware
  - 5 were short erased
  - 12 were corporate backups
- Do you securely erase your data?
- Do you securely DESTROY your tapes?



# Data Breach Notification Laws:

Disclaimer: I am not a lawyer nor do I wish to be one. Consult your legal counsel.

# US State Laws

- Each state which has a Data Breach law can define:
  - What constitutes personal data
    - Name, Address, SSN, CC, Biometrics, Driver Lic num, account num,..... or a combination thereof
  - Encryption exemption (even poor encryption?)
  - Obfuscated data exempted
  - Timelines for notifications
  - Allowed methods of notification
- VigilantMinds has summarized laws as of Feb `07 by state at:  
[http://www.solutionary.com/pdfs/vm/breach\\_matrix\\_feb07\\_email.pdf](http://www.solutionary.com/pdfs/vm/breach_matrix_feb07_email.pdf)



# US Federal Laws

- Current Federal laws are lax
- Safe Harbor
  - ***Allows companies to "self-certify"***
  - <http://www.export.gov/safeharbor/>
- At least 6 new House/Senate bills are being proposed
  - ***Senate Bill 239 (the Notification of Risk to Personal Data Act of 2007)***
  - ***Senate Bill 1178 (the Identity Theft Prevention Act)***

# The other 193 Countries

- EU Privacy Directive 95/46/EC
  - Attempting to “harmonize” data protection legislation
  - ***Requires data transferred out be limited to only those countries that ensure an adequate level of protection.***

[http://ec.europa.eu/justice\\_home/fsj/privacy/overview/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/justice_home/fsj/privacy/overview/index_en.htm)

- <http://www.informationshield.com/intprivacylaws.html>
- <http://www.privacyinternational.org> search on “Data Protection and Privacy Laws”

# Recovering the data

## Drives

- DLT, 8mm, 4mm, LTO.....

## Recording Formats

- Helical scan
- Longitudinal Recording
- .....

## Does it matter?

SuperDLT	110
Magstar MP 3570	5
Magstar 3590-B	10
Magstar 3590-E	20
IBM 3580 (Ultrium)	100
DAT - DDS1	2
DAT - DDS2	4
DAT - DDS3	12
DAT - DDS4	40
Exabyte	2.3/5/7
Exabyte - Mammoth	20
Exabyte - Mammoth II	60
Sony AIT - 1	25/35
Sony AIT - 2	50

# Forensics

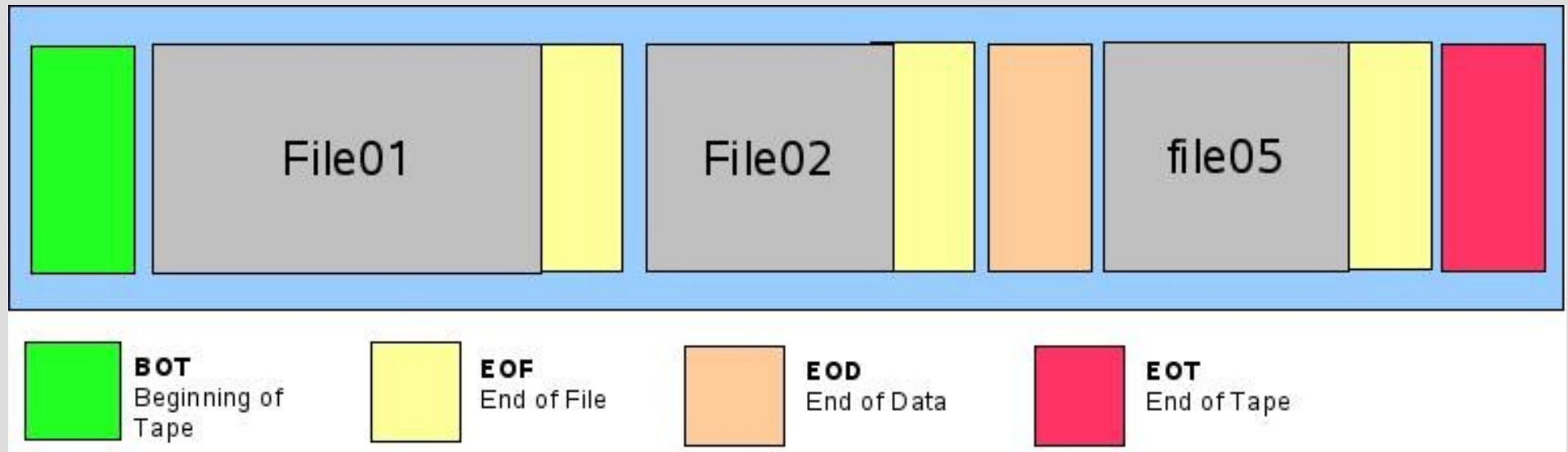
- Papers
  - Forensic acquisition and analysis of magnetic tapes by Bruce J. Nikkelf
    - <http://www.digitalforensics.ch/nikkel05.pdf>
  - Tape Media Forensic Analysis
    - [http://www.expertlaw.com/library/forensic\\_evidence/tape\\_media.html](http://www.expertlaw.com/library/forensic_evidence/tape_media.html)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> party services
  - Neohapsis
    - <http://www.neohapsis.com/services/5.html>
  - Vogon
    - <http://www.vogon-international.com/tape-recovery/tape-recovery.htm>

# Forensics

- Not as simple nor complete as HDD forensics
- DD can create a 'near complete' image
  - Miss Slack space in EOF and EOD markers
  - Limited to what tape drive is able to read
- Drive firmware can prevent access to significant portions of media
  - Short erase
  - EndofData (EOD) marker
    - Defeatable with customized firmware and ....



# Recovering the data



- EOD's enforcement based on drive and firmware
- Powering drive off during write \*may\* overwrite EOD marker

# Recovering the data

- Steps under Linux to baseline a tape
  - Obtain tape information
    - `tapeinfo -f <SGTapeDrive>`
  - Set tape block size to be variable
    - `mt -f <TapeDrive> setblk 0`
  - Using 'dd' acquire a copy of data
    - `dd if=<TapeDrive> of=<localcopy> bs=256k`
  - Repeat 'dd' to image every file on tape upto EOD

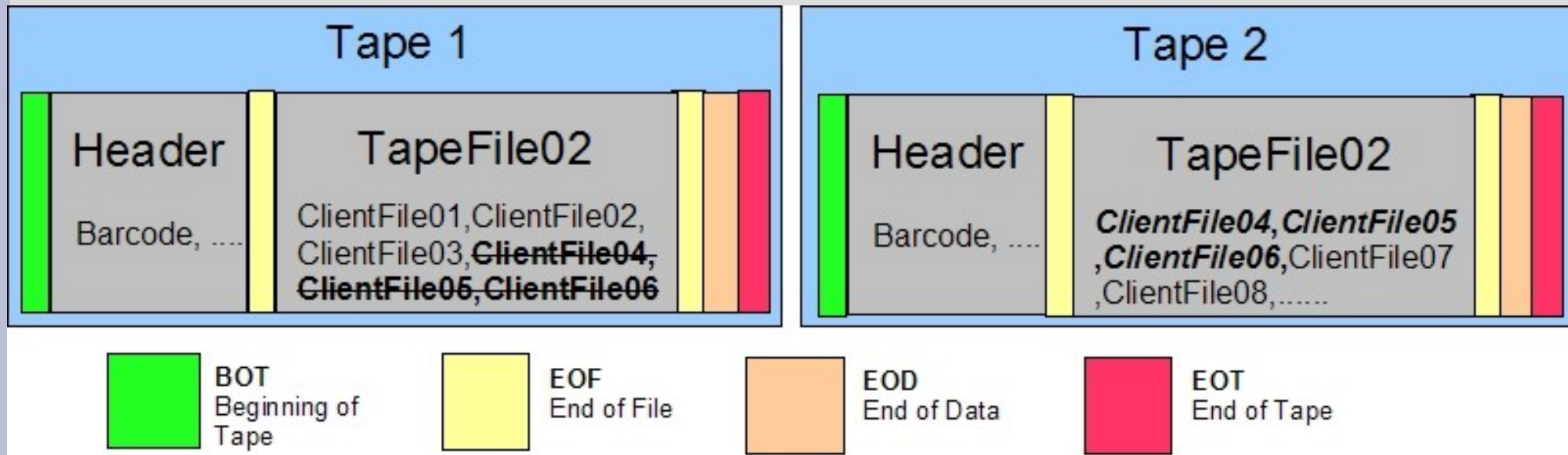
# Recovering the data

- TAPECAT - Tape utility command
  - Automates review of the tape
  - Provides tape filesize and data type information
  - Has code to read detailed information on Amanda tapes
  - Able to dump portions of files
    - <http://www.inventivetechology.at/tapecat/>
- Use original backup utility to restore data/obtain information
  - Common Backup Software
    - Amanda, ARCserve, TAR, ufsdump/dump, Windows NTBackup, Tivoli Storage Manager (TSM)
  - Cons
    - Cost of license
    - Not all applications can import rogue tapes

# Tivoli Storage Manager (TSM)

- Unique backup solution in that it only performs incremental backups
- Database is the heart of TSM server, it tracks data's life on tapes
- No built-in method to 'import' data from an unknown tape (if its not in the DB it doesn't exist)
- While tapes are filled with data TSM starts “expiring” old data

# TSM expiration in action



- TSM Tracks 'current' files via DB
- When a file is 'expired' it still remains on tape
  - Unrestorable unless DB is reverted to time prior to expiration
- Causes tape utilization to drop until reclamation threshold is hit

# TSM Tape Layout

- First file is the 'Tape Label'
  - Uses IBM871 character set
  - When translated into ISO-8859-1 it reads:  
VOL1100227  
HDR1ADSM.BFS.V000177A 0001  
006345 993650000000ADSM  
HDR2U2621400000 0

# TSM Data files

```
<snipit>
000000b0 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 4d 41 59 41 4c 69 6e 75 |.....MAYALinu|
000000c0 78 38 36 53 54 41 4e 44 41 52 44 2f 64 61 74 61 |k86STANDARD/da|
000000d0 31 2f 68 6f 6d 65 2f 72 65 70 6c 61 79 2f 2e 72 |ll/home/replay/|
000000e0 65 70 6c 61 79 50 68 6f 74 6f 43 61 63 68 65 2f |eplayPhotoCache/|
000000f0 46 61 6d 69 6c 79 20 52 6f 6f 6d 2f 44 75 62 6c |Fam ily Room /Dub|
00000100 69 6e 2d 47 75 69 6e 65 73 73 20 4d 75 73 65 75 |lin - Guinness Museu|
00000110 6d 2f 69 6d 61 67 65 73 2f 50 34 31 31 30 39 36 |tn /in ages/P411096|
00000120 35 2e 4a 50 47 53 54 41 4e 44 41 52 44 44 45 46 |5.JPGSTANDARDDEF|
00000130 41 55 4c 54 72 65 70 6c 61 79 07 07 16 00 4e 0c |AULTreplay...N.|
00000140 00 01 00 00 00 00 00 10 94 0b 02 49 04 00 05 00 |l.....I...|
00000150 04 00 00 6b 62 00 00 81 a4 00 00 01 fb 00 00 27 |l..kb.....'|
00000160 12 3f c1 8e 03 3f c1 8e 0d 00 00 00 00 3f c1 8e |l.?...?.....?..|
00000170 0c 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 |l.....|
00000180 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 |l.....|
00000190 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 80 03 |l.....|
000001a0 00 00 05 00 00 00 00 00 04 02 00 00 00 00 00 10 |l.....|
000001b0 94 0b ff d8 ff e1 38 45 45 78 69 66 00 00 49 49 |l....8EExif.II|
<snipit> .....
```

# Recovering TSM Tapes

- **Able to recover client name, architecture and file name using simple `dd | strings | grep`**
- **Could manually save out each file to recover binary data**
- **Able to view text files (ie, `passwd`, `shadow`, ...)**
- **AdsmTape written by Thorhallur Sverrisson**
  - **Currently only supports ADSM v2 and v3**
  - **Written for AIX**  
**<http://sourceforge.net/projects/adsmtape/>**



# Introducing TSMtape

- TSMtape recovers files from a Tivoli Storage Manager (TSM) v5.x(tested against 5.2) tape.
- Based off adsmtape written by Thorhallur Sverrisson.
- It can restore your files or audit the tape
- Provides a csv report of file stats
- Download it now from <http://sourceforge.net/projects/tsmtape>

# TSMtape

## Usage:

`./TSMtape [-R|restore] <device> <Files> <Restore Path>`

or

`./TSMtape [-A|--audittape] <device> <output file>`

## Options:

- `-h, --help` display this help and exit
- `-A, --audit` Output list of files stored on tape with supporting details in csv format
- `-R, --restore` Restore "your" files ;-)
- `<Files>` File parsing can be a partial or full path, Use a '/' as a catchall
- `-v[vv]` Print additional debugging information

i.e.

`./TSMtape --restore /dev/st0 /etc/shadow /tmp/recovered`

`./TSMtape --audit /dev/st0 /tmp/tapefiles.csv`

# TSMtape output

```
./TSMtape --restore /dev/st0 / ./restore 2> ./restore/errors
```

```
Using device /dev/st0
```

```
Volume label: 100227
```

```
Positioning to data
```

```
B      MAYA - 1086475 /data1/home/replay/.replayPhotoCache/Family  
Room/Dublin-Guinness Museum/images/P4110965.JPG
```

```
Restoring ==> ./restore//data1/home/replay/.replayPhotoCache/Family  
Room/Dublin-Guinness Museum/images/P4110965.JPG
```

```
B      MAYA - 1098848 /data1/home/replay/.replayPhotoCache/Family  
Room/Dublin-Guinness Museum/images/P4110966.JPG
```

```
Restoring ==> ./restore//data1/home/replay/.replayPhotoCache/Family  
Room/Dublin-Guinness Museum/images/P4110966.JPG
```

```
B      MAYA - 1089845 /data1/home/replay/.replayPhotoCache/Family  
Room/Dublin-Guinness Museum/images/P4110967.JPG
```

```
Restoring ==> ./restore//data1/home/replay/.replayPhotoCache/Family  
Room/Dublin-Guinness Museum/images/P4110967.JPG
```

# TSMtape restorelog.csv

./TSMtape started: Wed Aug 1 13:11:29 20

Volume label: 100227

Node	OS	Domain	Mgmt1	Mgmt2	User	File Type	Storage	inode
<b>MAYA</b>	<b>Linux86</b>	<b>STANDARD</b>	<b>STANDARD</b>	<b>DEFAULT</b>	<b>replay</b>	-	<b>B</b>	<b>27490</b>
MAYA	Linux86	STANDARD	STANDARD	DEFAULT	replay	-	B	27491
MAYA	Linux86	STANDARD	STANDARD	DEFAULT	replay	-	B	27492
MAYA	Linux86	STANDARD	STANDARD	DEFAULT	replay	-	B	27493

Permissions	UID	GID	Backup Date	Size	FileSpace	Filename
<b>-rw-r--r--</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>10002</b>	<b>11/24/03 04:50 AM</b>	<b>1086475</b>	<b>/data1</b>	<b>/.../images/P4110965.JPG</b>
-rw-r--r--	507	10002	11/24/03 04:50 AM	1098848	/data1	/.../images/P4110966.JPG
-rw-r--r--	507	10002	11/24/03 04:50 AM	1089845	/data1	/.../images/P4110967.JPG
-rw-r--r--	507	10002	11/24/03 04:50 AM	974922	/data1	/.../images/P4110968.JPG

# Mitigation

- How to protect your data
  - Inventory, Can't protect what you don't know
  - Data encryption
    - **Client/server side**
    - Tape drive (LTO4)
  - Data Destruction standards/requirements

# Mitigation

- Wiping/Erasing
  - The **Eliminator 4000FS** is a belt-driven Degausser specifically engineered to erase high-coercivity Hard Disk Drives, Super DLT tape, and DLT IV tape.



<http://www.periphman.com/degaussing/degaussers/4000fs.shtml>

# Mitigation

- Complete Destruction
  - Do-it-yourself destruction
    - Bash it, Heat it, Smelt it, Microwave it, Shred it
      - <http://www.networkworld.com/research/2007/041107-data-destruction-methods.html>
  - The fine art of data destruction
    - Pulverize, then liquefy
      - <http://www.techworld.nl/idgns/2924/the-fine-art-of-data-destruction.html>
  - Personal favorite, Thermite!

# Thermite





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