



Version Currency Management for Proactive Threat Mitigation

System and software vulnerabilities are common gateways for cyber threat actors aiming to infiltrate and compromise targeted organizations. The repercussions of successful vulnerability exploits can be severe. The IBM 2024 Cost of a Data Breach Report revealed that known and unknown vulnerabilities exploited together accounted for substantial losses, totaling \$8.79 million USD, impacting several industries. As older vulnerabilities remain exploitable and new ones emerge, understanding and managing them becomes crucial for protecting critical assets from sophisticated threats. Version currency management guides organizations in the direction of proactive risk remediation by ensuring that software and systems are consistently updated and patched. A threat intelligence-driven approach enables organizations to refine their vulnerability management efforts based on emerging threat activities.

This report contains valuable insights for navigating the evolving cyber landscape. To unlock the full content, reach out to your customer success manager or email info@criticalstart.com.

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