

How ciphertext gets copied today

Breach exfiltration

DB dumps, file shares, backups

Likelihood: High

Backups & archives

Tape, S3, email archives

Likelihood: High

Cloud misconfig

Public snapshots, open buckets

Likelihood: Medium

Bulk transit capture

TLS handshakes + ciphertext

Likelihood: Medium

Insider / supply chain

M&A rooms, legal holds

Likelihood: Lower

Store cheaply; decrypt after Q-Day (no break required today)