

# System Hacking

## Module 5

Engineered by Hackers. Presented by Professionals.



# SECURITY NEWS



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## U.S. Hunts 'Hacktivists'; Some Ask: Is It Worth It?

The FBI and the Justice Department's computer crimes unit are searching for the hackers who launched Operation Payback, the Internet attack against companies that stopped doing business with WikiLeaks and its founder, Julian Assange.

But former prosecutors and cyber experts say that **actually bringing U.S. criminal indictments in the massive denial-of-service attacks could be a bridge too far.**

"**If you have a very successful or high-profile attack, or an attack that causes a tremendous amount of damage because of its timing, you'll at least get an investigation,**" said Mark Rasch, who founded the Justice Department computer crimes unit years ago. "Let's face it: Most computer crimes are not prosecuted, because we rarely catch the people responsible."

There's already a potent law on the books that the Justice Department can use, called the Computer Fraud and Abuse Act. That law makes it a felony to transmit programs that intentionally cause damage to a computer in the U.S.

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# Module Objectives

- Password Cracking
- Password Cracking Techniques
- Types of Password Attacks
- Automatic Password Cracking Algorithm
- Privilege Escalation
- Executing Applications
- Keylogger



- Spyware
- Rootkits
- Detecting Rootkits
- NTFS Data Stream
- What is Steganography?
- Steganalysis
- Covering Tracks



# Information at Hand Before System Hacking Stage

What you have at this stage:

## Footprinting Module

1. IP Range
2. Namespace
3. Employee web usage

## Scanning Module

1. Target assessment
2. Identification of services
3. Identification of systems

## Enumeration Module

1. Intrusive probing
2. User lists
3. Security flaws

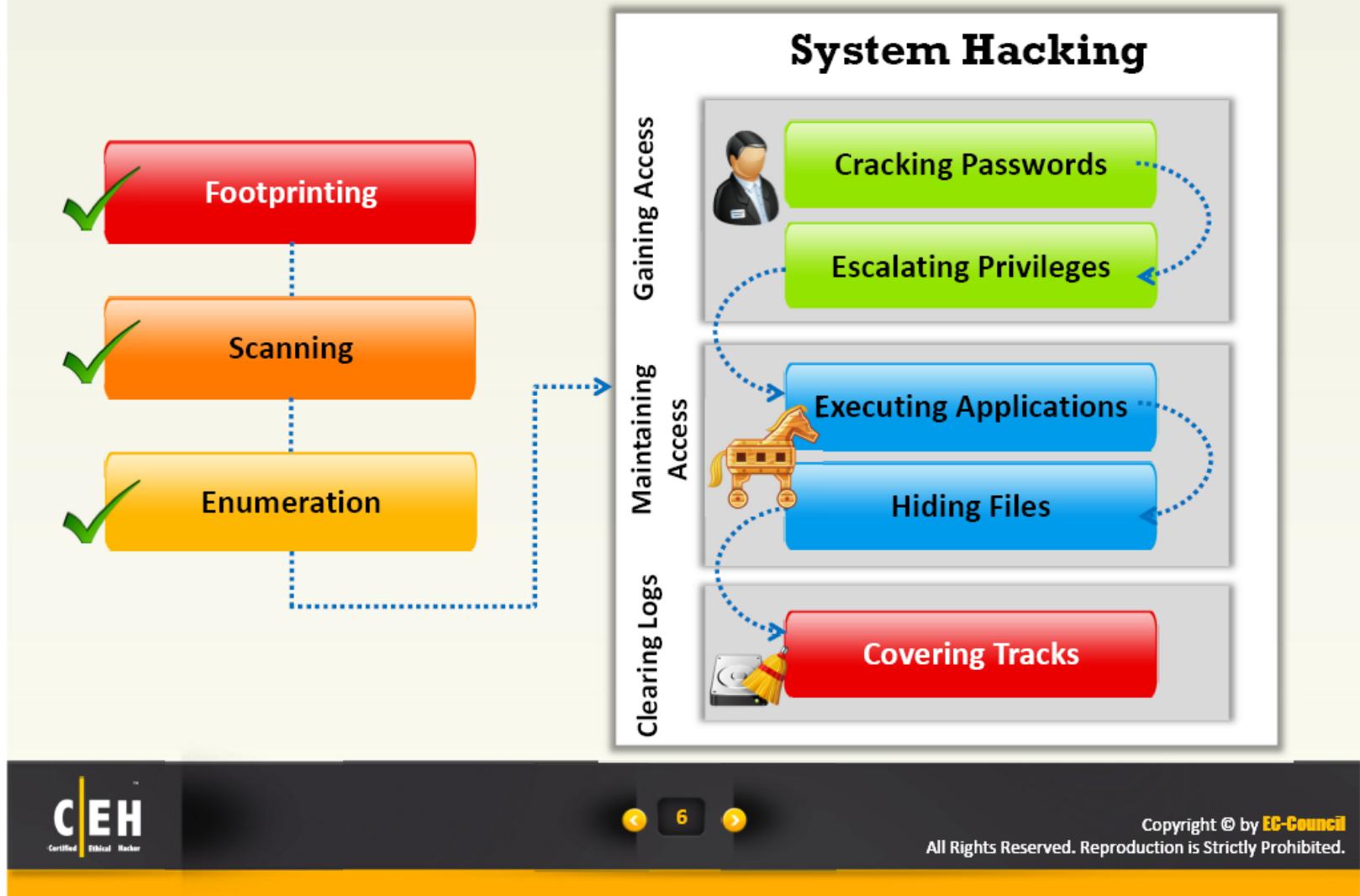


# System Hacking: Goals

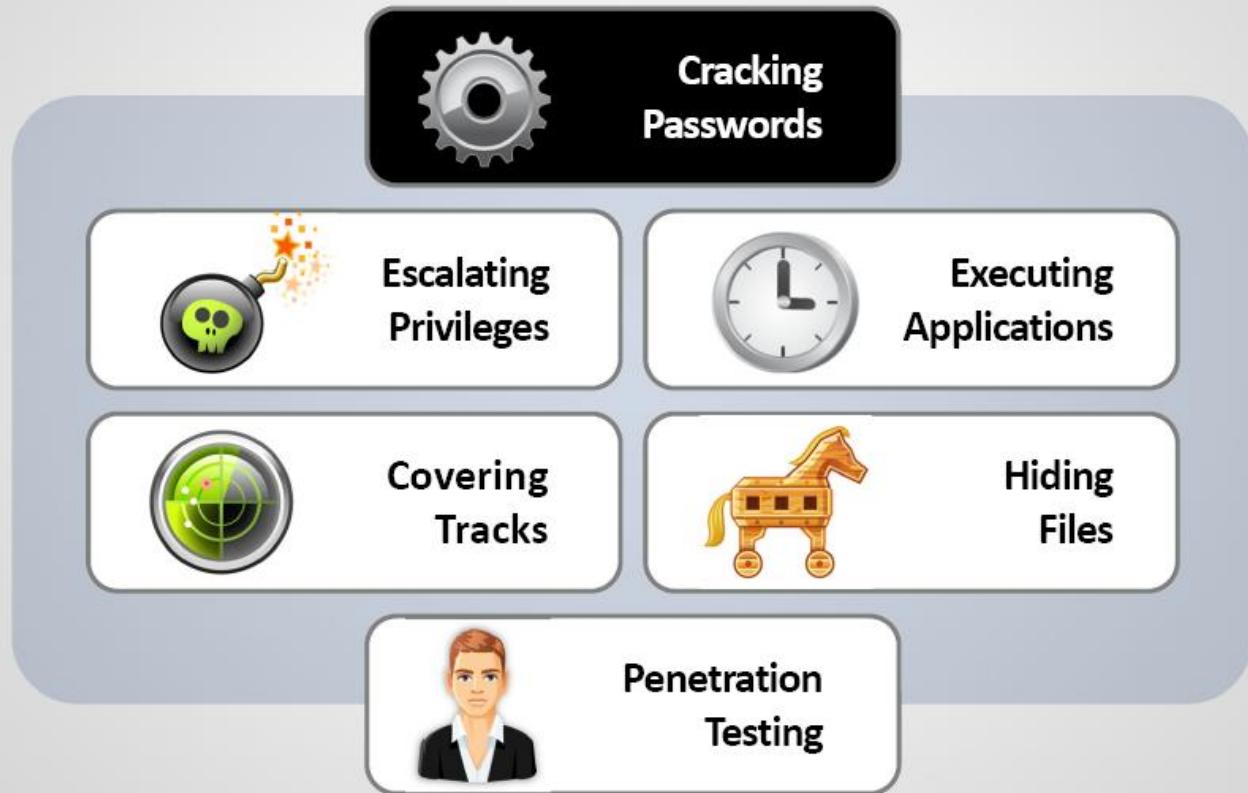
Hacking-Stage	Goal	Technique/Exploit Used	
	Gaining Access	To collect enough information to gain access	Password eavesdropping, brute forcing
	Escalating Privileges	To create a privileged user account if the user level is obtained	Password cracking, known exploits
	Executing Applications	To create and maintain backdoor access	Trojans
	Hiding Files	To hide malicious files	Rootkits
	Covering Tracks	To hide the presence of compromise	Clearing logs



# CEH Hacking Methodology (CHM)



# CEH System Hacking Steps



# Password Cracking



Password cracking techniques are used to recover passwords from computer systems



Attackers use password cracking techniques to gain unauthorized access to the vulnerable system



Most of the password cracking techniques are successful due to weak or easily guessable passwords



Attacker



Vulnerable System

## Password Complexity



Passwords that contain letters, special characters, and numbers **ap1@52**



Passwords that contain only numbers **23698217**



Passwords that contain only special characters **&\*#@!(%)**



Passwords that contain letters and numbers **meet123**



Passwords that contain only letters **POTHMYDE**

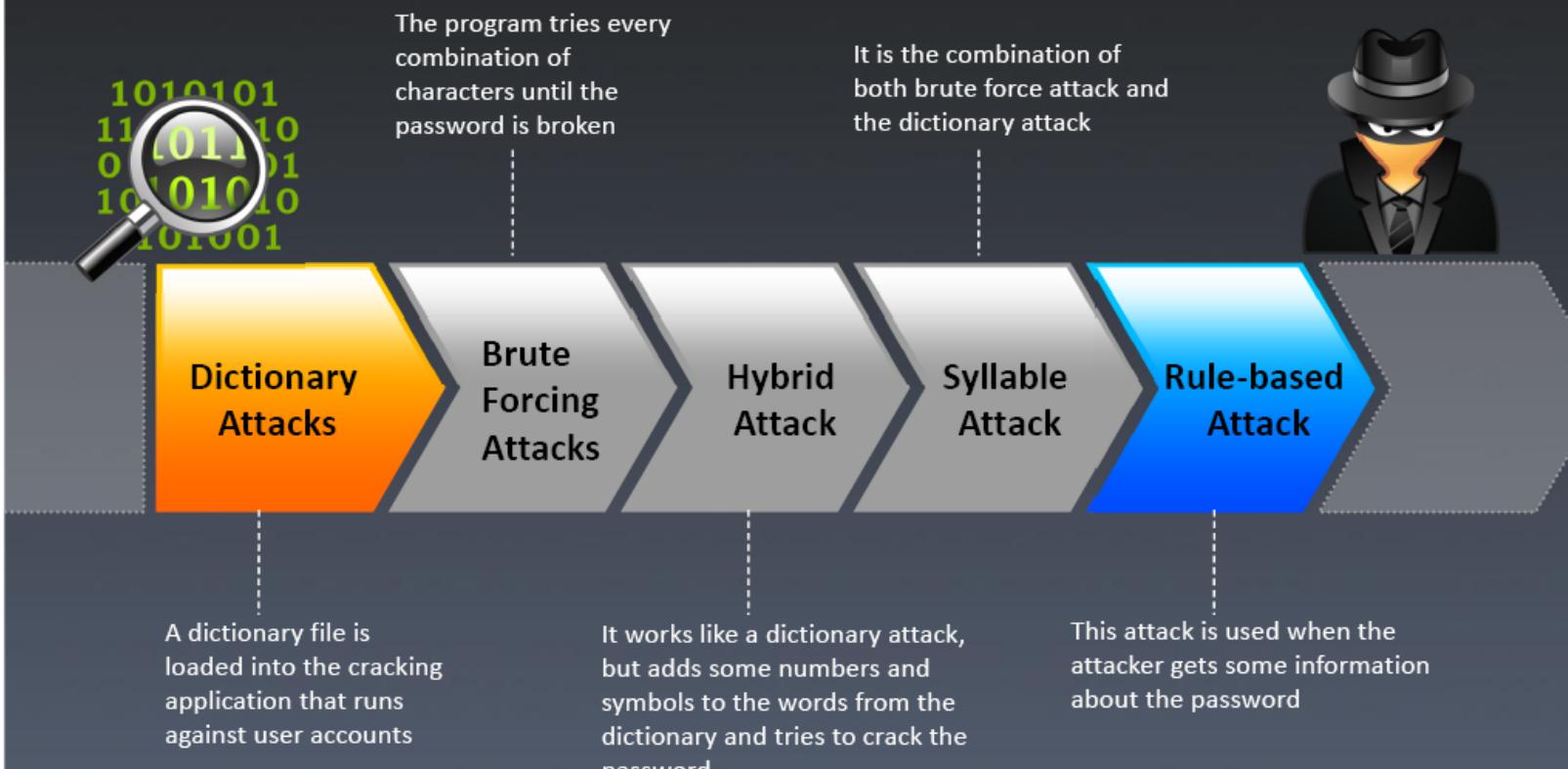


Passwords that contain only letters and special characters **bob@&ba**

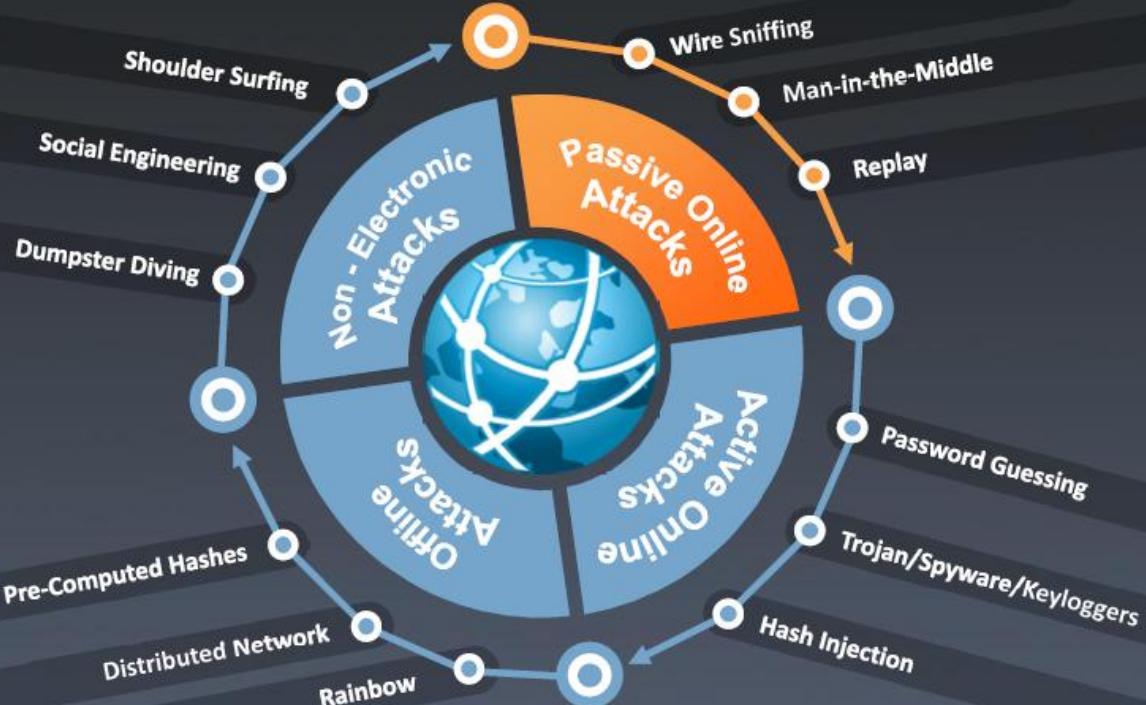


Passwords that contain only special characters and numbers **123@\$45**

# Password Cracking Techniques



# Types of Password Attacks



# Passive Online Attacks: Wire Sniffing

Attackers run packet sniffer tools on the LAN to access and record the raw network traffic



Victim



Attacker

The captured data may include passwords sent to remote systems during Telnet, FTP, rlogin sessions, and electronic mail sent and received

Hard to Perpetrate

How effective is the attack?  
Attacker must sniff the network

Computationally Complex

Tools Available

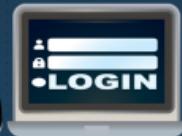
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# Password Sniffing

If an attacker is able to eavesdrop on Windows logins, then this approach can spare random guesswork

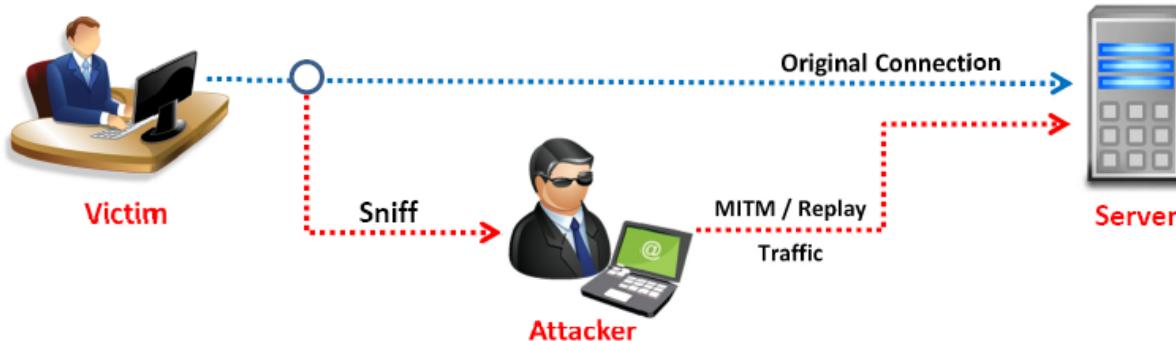


Sniff credentials off the wire while logging in to a server and then replay them to gain access



>Password guessing is a tough task

# Passive Online Attack: Man-in-the-Middle and Replay Attack



- In a MITM attack, the attacker acquires **access** to the communication channels between victim and server to extract the information
- In a replay attack, packets and authentication tokens are captured using a **sniffer**. After the relevant info is extracted, the tokens are placed back on the network to gain access

## Considerations:

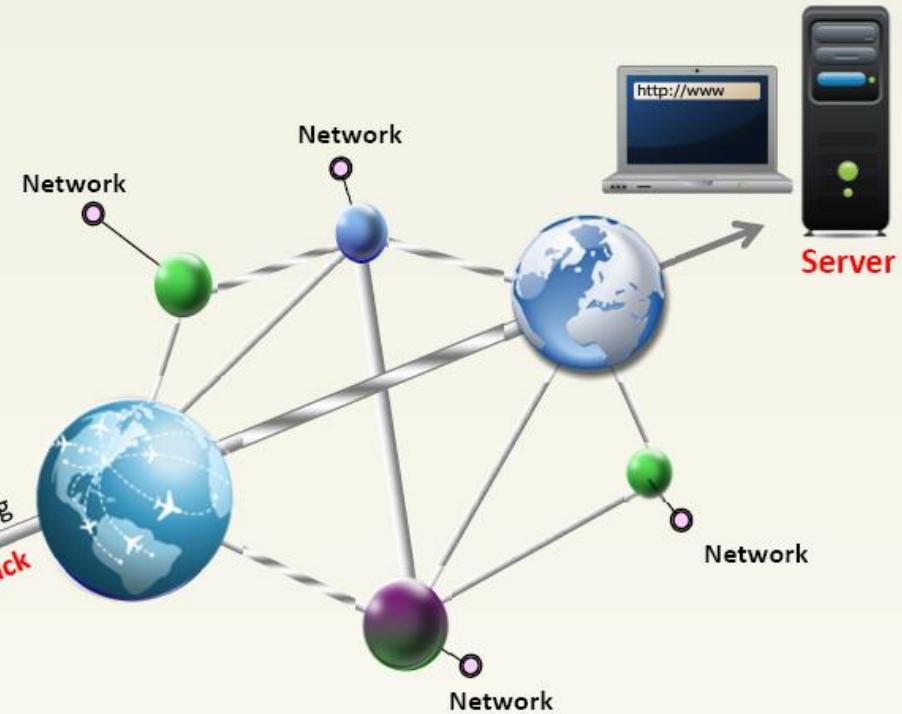
- Relatively hard to perpetrate
- Must be trusted by one or both sides
- Can sometimes be broken by invalidating traffic

# Active Online Attack: Password Guessing

The attacker takes a set of dictionary words and names, and tries all the possible combinations to crack the password

## Considerations:

- Time consuming
- Requires huge amounts of network bandwidth
- Easily detected



# Active Online Attack: Trojan/Spyware/Keylogger

A Keylogger is a program that runs in the background and allows remote attackers to **record every keystroke**

Spyware

Keylogger

Trojan

Spyware is a type of malware that allows attackers to **secretly** gather information about a person or organization

With the help of a Trojan, an attacker gets access to the **stored passwords** in the attacked computer and is able to read personal documents, delete files, and display pictures



# Active Online Attack: Hash Injection Attack

- A hash injection attack allows an attacker to **inject a compromised hash** into a local session and use the hash to validate to network resources
- The attacker finds and extracts a logged on **domain admin account hash**
- The attacker uses the extracted hash to log on to the **domain controller**



# Rainbow Attacks: Pre-Computed Hash

## Rainbow Table

Convert huge word lists like dictionary files and brute force lists into password hashes using techniques such as rainbow tables

## Computed Hashes

Compute the hash for a list of possible passwords and compare it with the precomputed hash table. If a match is found then the password is cracked

## Compare the Hashes

It is easy to recover passwords by comparing captured password hashes to the precomputed tables

## Precomputed Hashes

1qazwed	->	4259cc34599c530b28a6a8f225d668590
hh021da	->	c744b1716cbf8d4dd0ff4ce31a177151
9da8dasf	->	3cd696a8571a843cda453a229d741843
sodifo8sf	->	7ad7d6fa6bb4fd28ab98b3dd33261e8f

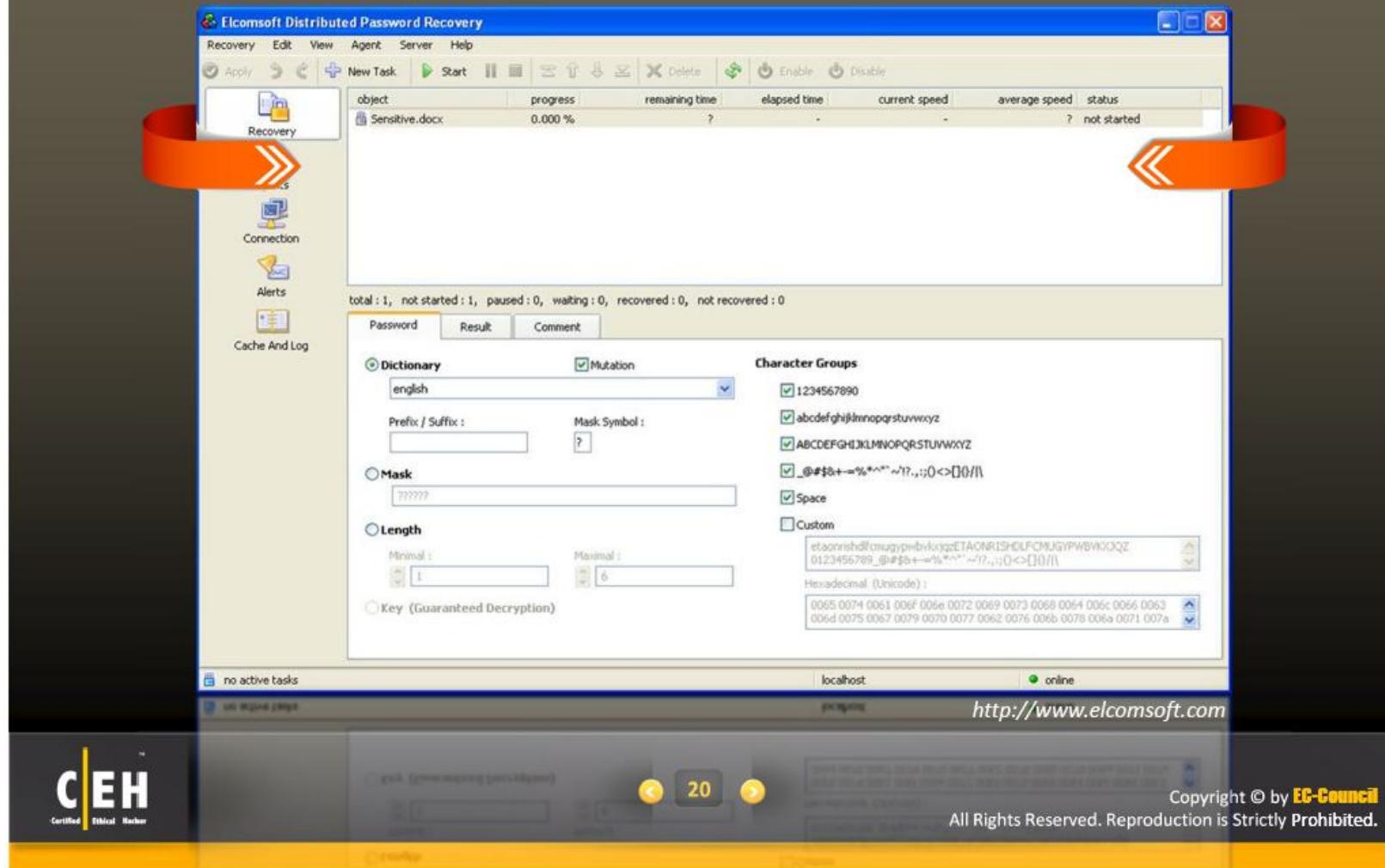


# Distributed Network Attack

1. A Distributed Network Attack (DNA) technique is used for recovering password-protected files using the unused processing power of **machines across the network** to decrypt passwords
2. In this attack, a **DNA manager** is installed in a central location where machines running **DNA clients** can access it over the network



# Elcomsoft Distributed Password Recovery



# Non-Electronic Attacks



# Default Passwords

A default password is a password supplied by the manufacturer with new equipment that is password protected



Online tools that can be used to search default passwords:



1. <http://www.phenoelit-us.org>
2. <http://www.defaultpassword.com>
3. <http://cirt.net>
4. <http://default-password.info>
5. <http://www.defaultpassword.us>
6. <http://www.passworddatabase.com>

Vendor	Model	Version	Access Type	Username	Password
3COM	CoreBuilder	7000/6000/3500/2500	Telnet	Debug	Synnet
3COM	CoreBuilder	7000/6000/3500/2500	Telnet	Tech	Tech
3COM	HiPerARC	v4.1.x	Telnet	Adm	(none)
3COM	LANplex	2500	Telnet	Debug	Synnet
3COM	LANplex	2500	Telnet	Tech	Tech
3COM	LinkSwitch	2000/2700	Telnet	Tech	Tech
Huawei	E960			Admin	Admin
3COM	NetBuilder		SNMP		ILMI
3COM	Netbuilder		Multi	Admin	(none)
3COM	Office Connect ISDN Routers	5x0	Telnet	n/a	PASSWORD
3COM	SuperStack II Switch	2200	Telnet	debug	Synnet
3COM	SuperStack II Switch	2700	Telnet	tech	Tech
3COM	OfficeConnect 812 ADSL		Multi	adminttd	adminttd

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# Manual Password Cracking (Guessing)



Frequency of attacks is **less**

Find a valid user

Create a list of possible passwords

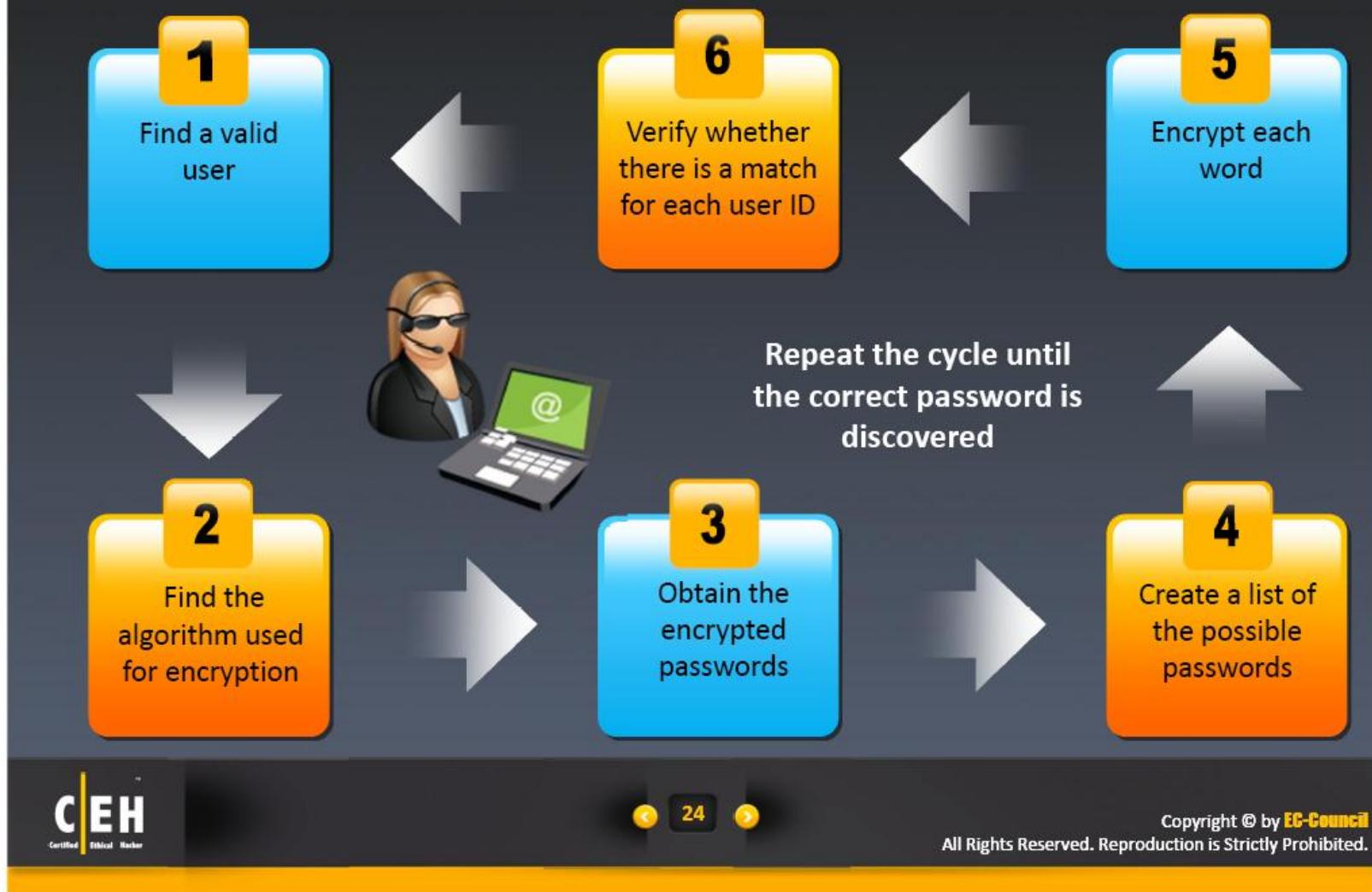
Rank passwords from high probability to low

Key in each password, until correct password is discovered

The failure rate is **high**



# Automatic Password Cracking Algorithm



# Stealing Passwords Using USB Drive



# Microsoft Authentication

## SAM Database

Windows stores user passwords in the Security Accounts Manager database (SAM), or in the Active Directory database in domains. Passwords are never stored in clear text; passwords are hashed and the results are stored in the SAM.

## NTLM Authentication

The NTLM authentication protocol consists of two authentication protocols: the NTLM and the LM authentication protocol. These protocols use different hashing methods to securely store a user's password in the SAM database.

## Kerberos

Microsoft has upgraded its default authentication protocol to Kerberos, a considerably more secure option than NTLM.



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# How Hash Passwords are Stored in Windows SAM?



Martin/magician



Password hash using LM/NTLM

Martin:1008:624AAC413795CDC1  
4E835F1CD90F4C76:6F585FF8FF6  
280B59CCE252FDB500EB8:::

SAM File is located at `c:\windows\system32\config\SAM`

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Administrator:500:598DDCE2660D3193AAD3B435B51404EE:2D20D252A479F485CDF5E171D93985BF:::  
Guest:501:NO PASSWORD*****:NO PASSWORD*****:::  
HelpAssistant:1000:B991A1DA16C539FE4158440889BE1FFA:2E83DB1AD7FD1DC981F36412863604E9:::  
SUPPORT_388945a0:1002:NO PASSWORD*****:F5C1D381495948F434C42AEE04DE990C:::  
Hackers:1003:37035B1C4AE2B0C5B75E0C8D76954A50:7773C08920232397CAE081704964B786:::  
Admin:1004:NO PASSWORD*****:NO PASSWORD*****:::  
Martin:1005:624AAC413795CDC1AAD3B435B51404EE:C5A237B7E9D8E708D8436B6148A25FA1:::  
John:1006:624AAC413795CDC1FF17365FAF1FFE89:3B1B47E42E0463276E3DED6CEF349F93:::  
Jason:1007:624AAC413795CDC14E835F1CD90F4C76:6F585FF8FF6280B59CCE252FDB500EB8:::  
Smith:1008:624AAC413795CDC14E835F1CD90F4C76:6F585FF8FF6280B59CCE252FDB500EB8:::
```



"LM hash has been disabled in Windows Vista and Windows 7, LM will be blank in those systems."



# What is LAN Manager Hash?



LM hash or LAN Manager hash is one of the formats that Microsoft LAN Manager and Microsoft Windows use to store user passwords that are less than 15 characters long



When this password is encrypted with the LM algorithm, all the letters are converted to uppercase: 123456QWERTY



The password is padded with null (blank) characters to make it 14 characters in length:  
123456QWERTY\_



Before encrypting this password, 14 character string is split in half: 123456Q and WERTY\_, each string is individually encrypted and the results concatenated:



123456Q = 6BF11E04AFAB197F

WERTY\_ = F1E9FFDCC75575B15

The hash is 6BF11E04AFAB197FF1E9FFDCC75575B15

**Note:**

LM Hash has been disabled in Windows Vista and Windows 7.



# What is LAN Manager Hash?



The first **8 bytes** are derived from the first 7 characters of the password and the second 8 bytes are derived from characters 8 through 14 of the password



If the password is less than **7 characters**, the second half will always be 0xAAD3B435B51404EE



Suppose, for this example, the user's password has an LM hash of 0xC23413A8A1E7665f AAD3B435B51404EE



LC5 cracks the password as "WELCOME"



NTLMv2 is a challenge/response authentication protocol, that offers improved security over the obsolete LM protocol

**Note:**

LM Hash has been disabled in Windows Vista and Windows 7.



# LM “Hash” Generation

Padded with NULL  
to 14 characters

Converted to  
the uppercase

Separated into  
two 7-character  
strings

cehman1

CEHMAN

1\*\*\*\*\*

Constant

Constant



Concatenate

LM Hash

# LM, NTLMv1, and NTLMv2

Attribute	LM	NTLMv1	NTLMv2	
Password Case Sensitive	No	YES	YES	
Hash Key Length	56bit + 56bit	-	-	
Password Hash Algorithm	DES (ECB mode)	MD4	MD5	
Hash Value Length	64bit + 64bit	128bit	128bit	
C/R Key Length	56bit + 56bit + 16bit	56bit + 56bit + 16bit	128bit	
C/R Algorithm	DES (ECB mode)	DES (ECB mode)	HMAC_MD5	
C/R Value Length	64bit + 64bit + 64bit	64bit + 64bit + 64bit	128bit	

# NTLM Authentication Process



Client Computer

User types password into logon window

1

Martin

\*\*\*\*\*



Windows runs password through hash algorithm

2

Martin:1008:624AAC413795CDC14  
E835F1CD90F4C76:6F585FF8FF628  
0B59CCE252FDB500EB8:::

3

Computer sends login request to DC

5

Aa r8 ppq kgj89 pqr

DC sends logon challenge

4

Aa r8 ppq kgj89 pqr

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Window Domain Controller



Domain controller has a stored copy of the user's hashed password

Martin:1008:624AAC413795CDC14  
E835F1CD90F4C76:6F585FF8FF628  
0B59CCE252FDB500EB8:::

DC compares computer's response with the response it created with its own hash

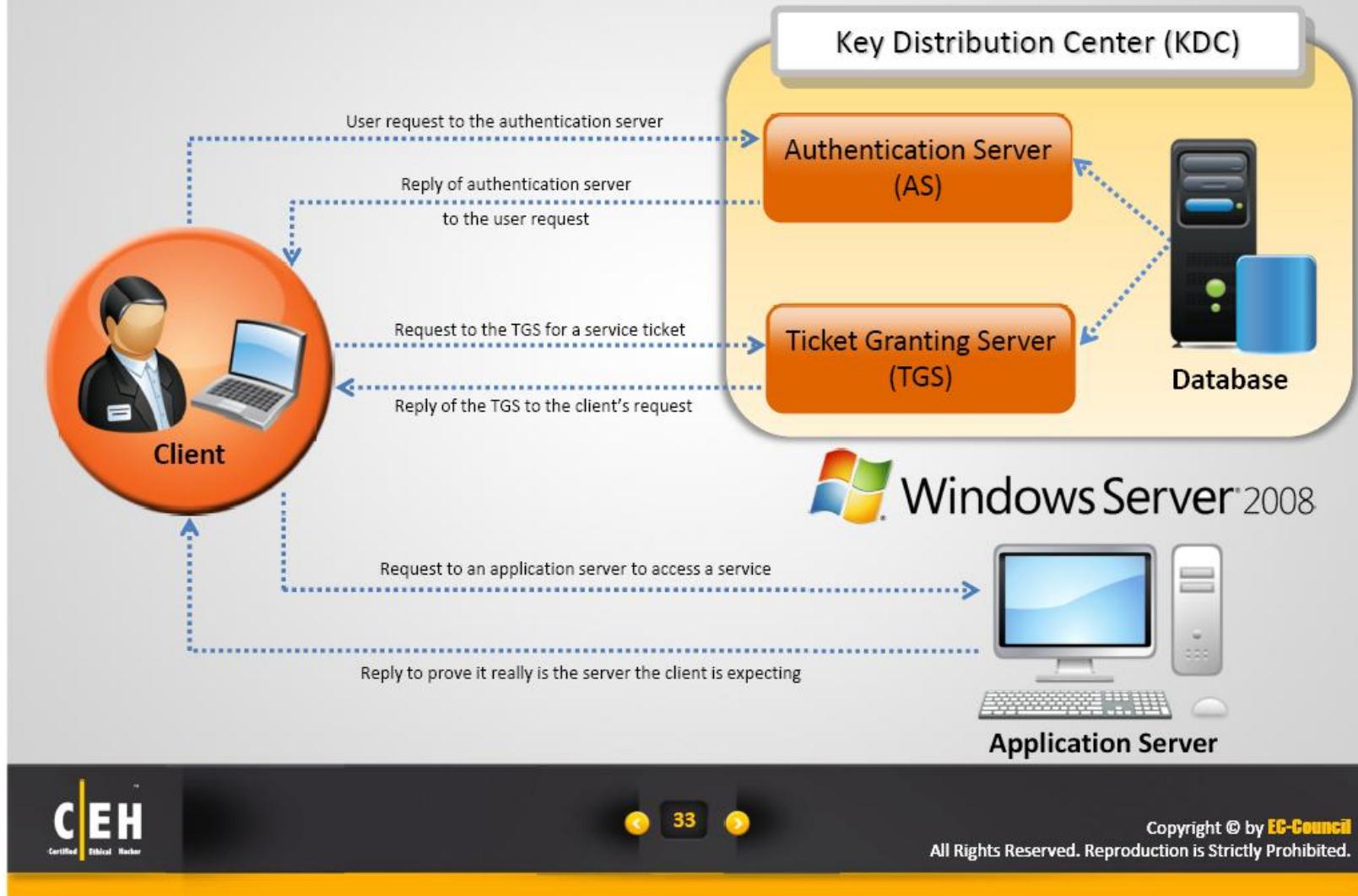
If they match, the logon is a success

**Note:** Microsoft has upgraded its default authentication protocol to Kerberos, a considerably more secure option than NTLM.

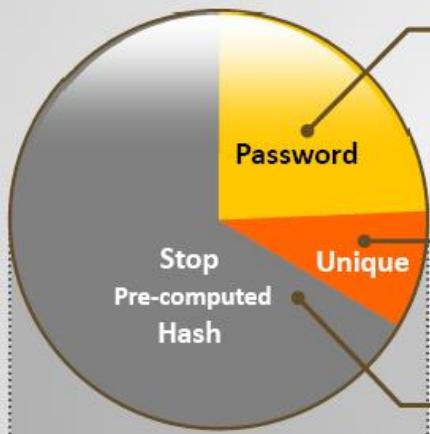


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# Kerberos Authentication



# Salting



Salting technique prevents deriving passwords from the password file



Stored representation differs



Advantage: Defeats pre-computed hash attacks



Alice:root:b4ef213ba4303ce24a83fe0317608de02bf38d

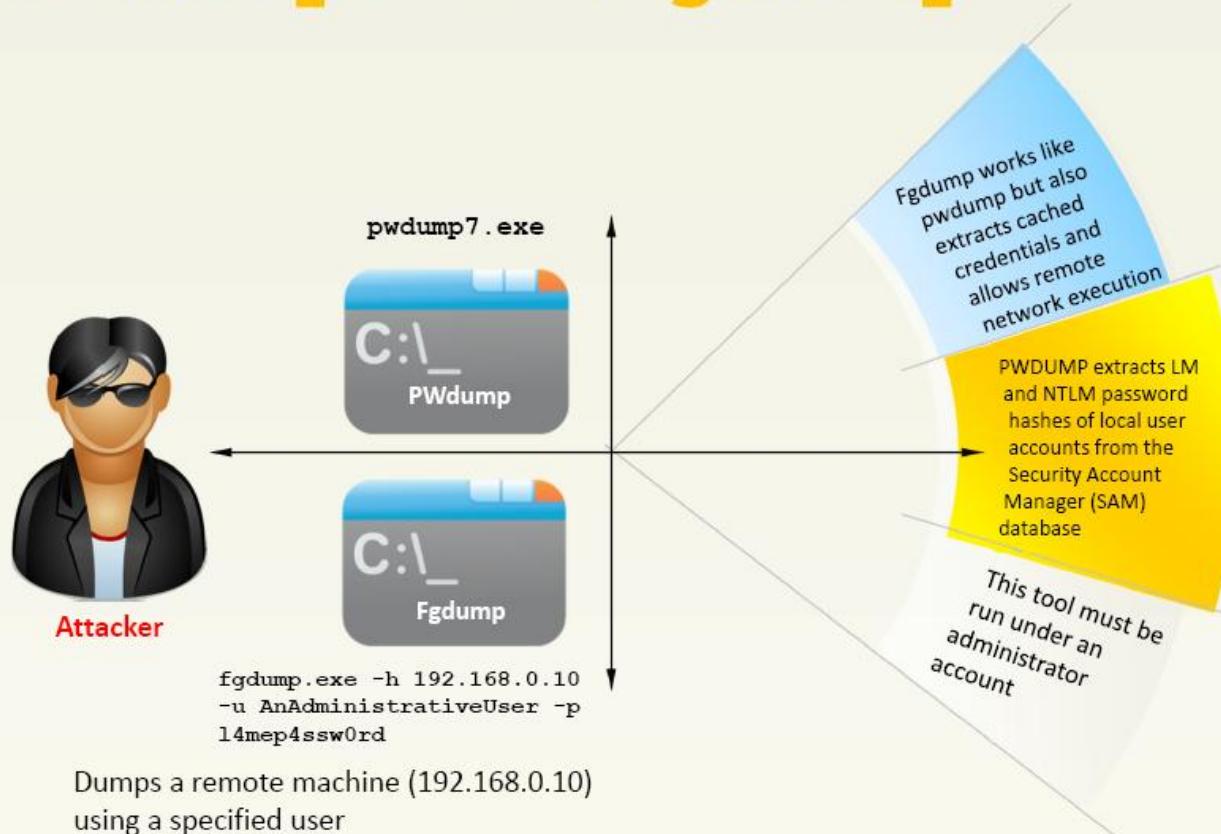
Same password but different hashes

Bob:root:a9c4fa:3282abd0308323ef0349dc7232c349ac

Cecil:root:209be1a483b303c23af34761de02be038fde08

Note: Windows password hashes are not salted.

# PWdump7 and Fgdump



# L0phtCrack

The screenshot shows the L0phtCrack 6.0 application window. The main interface includes a toolbar with icons for Run, Import Wizard, Import Hashes, Import From Sniffer, Begin, Pause, Stop, Session Options, Schedule Audit, Scheduled Tasks, Cracked Accounts, Weak Passwords, Expired Accounts, Disable Accounts, Force Password Change, Select, and Remediate. Below the toolbar is a table listing domain users with their cracked status and password age. A 'Messages' panel at the bottom displays audit logs. To the right is a 'Statistics' panel with sections for DICTIONARY/HYBRID, PRECOMPUTED, BRUTE FORCE, and SUMMARY. The URL <http://www.l0phtcrack.com> is visible at the bottom.

Domain	User Name	LM Password	<8	Password	Password Age (days)
Administrator	Administrator	Passw0rd			8
Administrator	Administrator	Passw0rd			8
Guest	Guest	* empty *	X	* empty *	461
HelpAssistant	HelpAssistant				12
SUPPORT_388945a0	SUPPORT_388945a0	* empty *			12

**Messages**

- 07/28/2010 18:02:16 Audit started.
- 07/28/2010 18:02:16 Entered LM Dictionary Audit
- 07/28/2010 18:02:16 Exited LM Dictionary Audit
- 07/28/2010 18:02:16 Auditing session completed.

Audit completed. Progress: 36%

**Statistics**

**DICTIONARY/HYBRID**

- words\_total: 29156
- words\_done: 29156
- % done: 100.000%

**PRECOMPUTED**

- hash\_tables: 0 of 0
- hashes\_found: 0 of 0
- % done: 0.00%

**BRUTE FORCE**

- time\_elapsed: 0d 0h 0m 0s
- time\_left:
- % done:

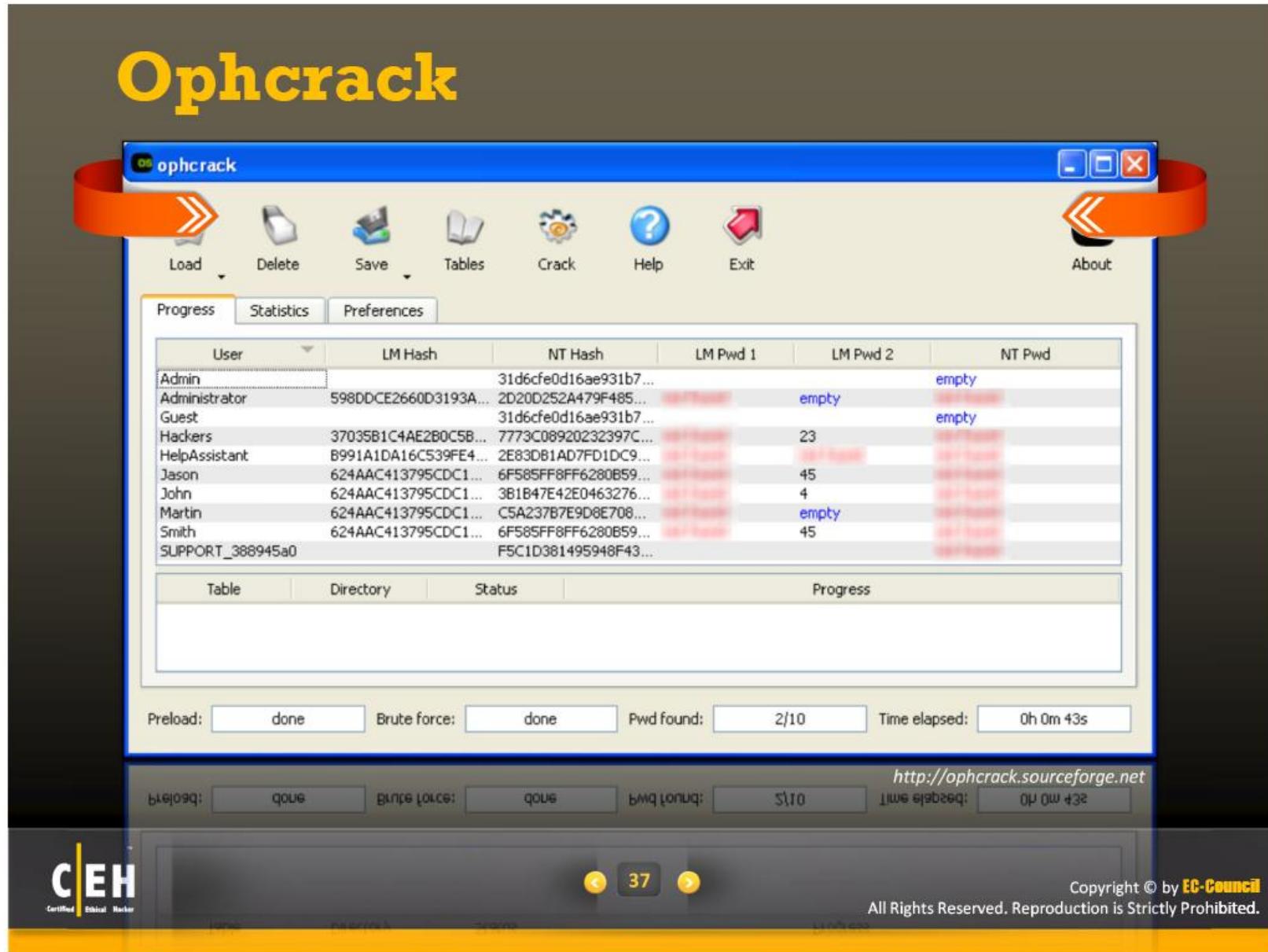
**SUMMARY**

- total\_users: 6
- audited\_users: 1
- % done: 16.667%

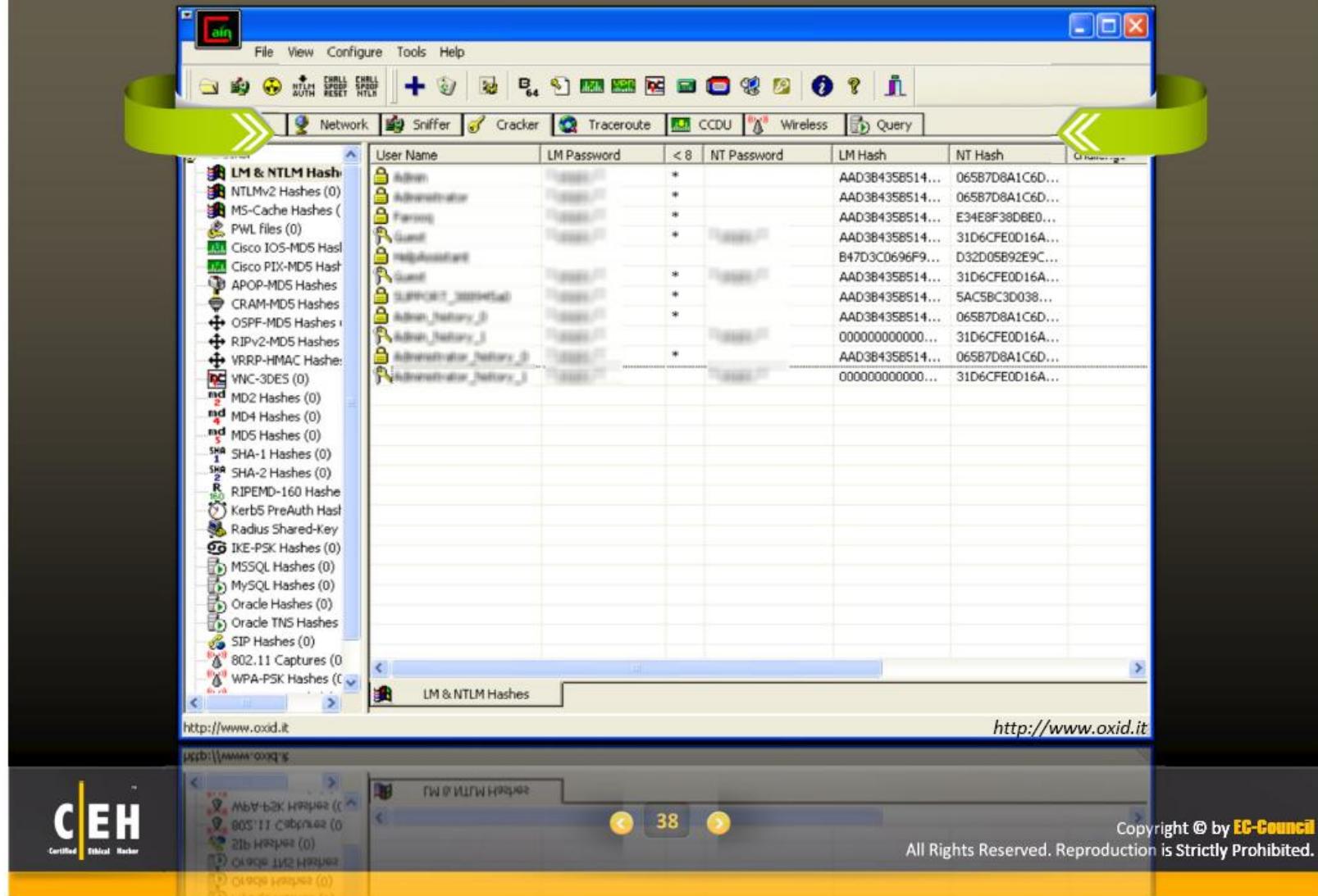
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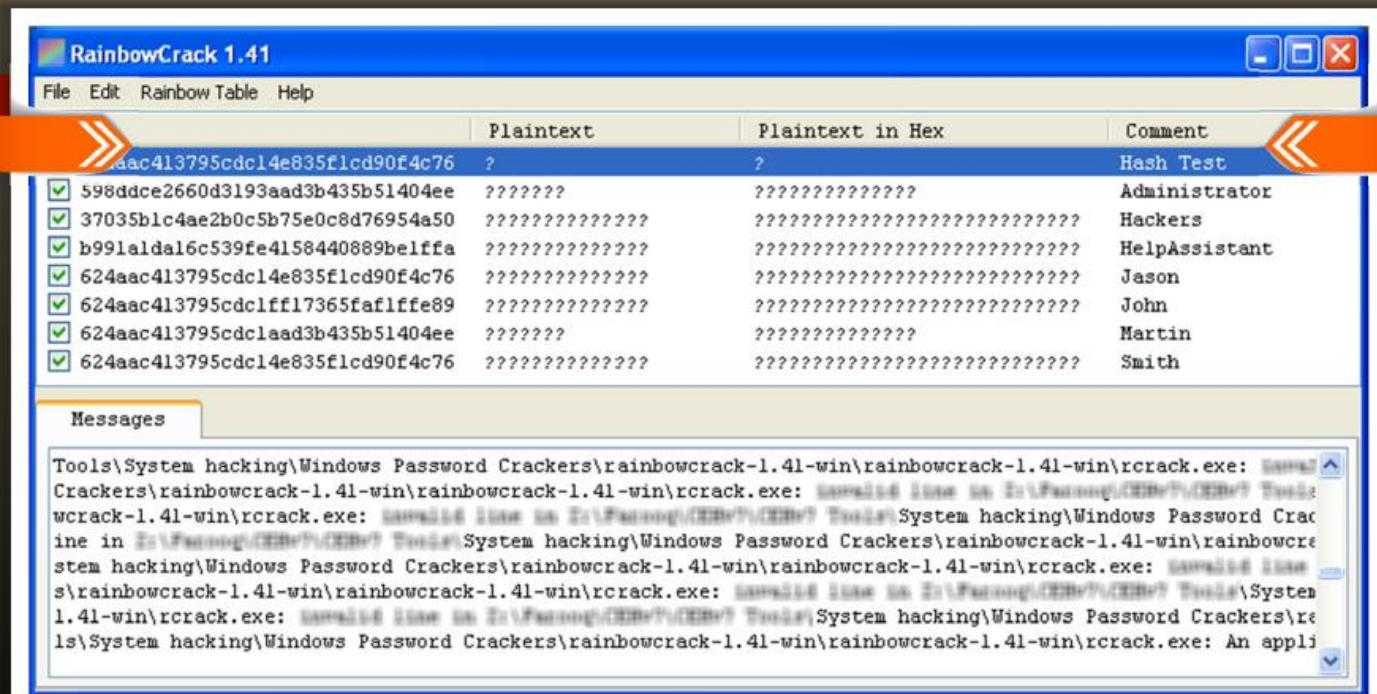
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# Cain & Abel



# RainbowCrack



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# Password Cracking Tools



**John the Ripper**  
<http://www.openwall.com>



**KerbCrack**  
<http://ntsecurity.nu>



**Recover Keys**  
<http://recover-keys.com>



**Windows Password Cracker**  
<http://www.windows-password-cracker.com>



**Proactive System Password Recovery**  
<http://www.elcomsoft.com>



**Password Unlocker Bundle**  
<http://www.passwordunlocker.com>



**Windows Password Reset Professional**  
<http://www.resetwindowspassword.com>



**Windows Password Reset Standard**  
<http://www.resetwindowspassword.com>

# Password Cracking Tools



**krbpwguess**  
<http://www.cquare.net>



**RockXP**  
<http://www.korben.info>



**Windows Password Unlocker**  
<http://www.passwordunlocker.com>



**PasswordsPro**  
<http://www.shareit.com>



**WinPassword**  
<http://lastbit.com>



**LSASecretsView**  
<http://www.nirsoft.net>

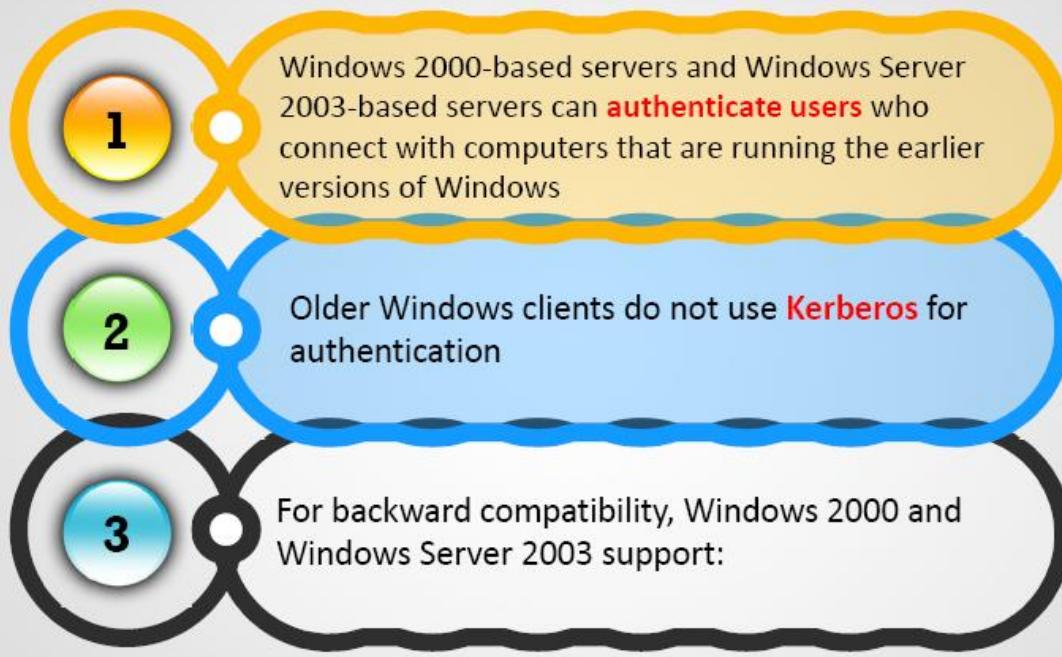


**Passware Kit Enterprise**  
<http://www.lostpassword.com>



**LCP**  
<http://www.lcpsoft.com>

# LM Hash Backward Compatibility



# How to Disable LM HASH?

Method 3

Use a Password that is at least 15 Characters Long

- LM hash is not generated when the password length exceeds 15 characters

Method 2

Implement the NoLMHash Policy by editing the registry

Locate the following key:

- HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Control\Lsa
- Add key, type NoLMHash

Method 1

Implement the NoLMHash Policy by using group policy

- Disable “Network security: Do not store LAN Manager hash value on next password change” in Local Security Policy → Security Options



# How to Defend against Password Cracking?



Make passwords hard to guess by using 8-12 alphanumeric characters in combination of uppercase and lowercase letters, numbers, and symbols



Do not use the same password during password change



Set the password change policy to 30 days



Monitor the server's logs for brute force attacks on the users accounts



Avoid storing passwords in an unsecured location



Do not use passwords that can be found in a dictionary



Never use passwords such as date of birth, spouse, or child's or pet's name



Enable **SYSKEY** with strong password to encrypt and protect the SAM database



# Implement and Enforce Strong Security Policy

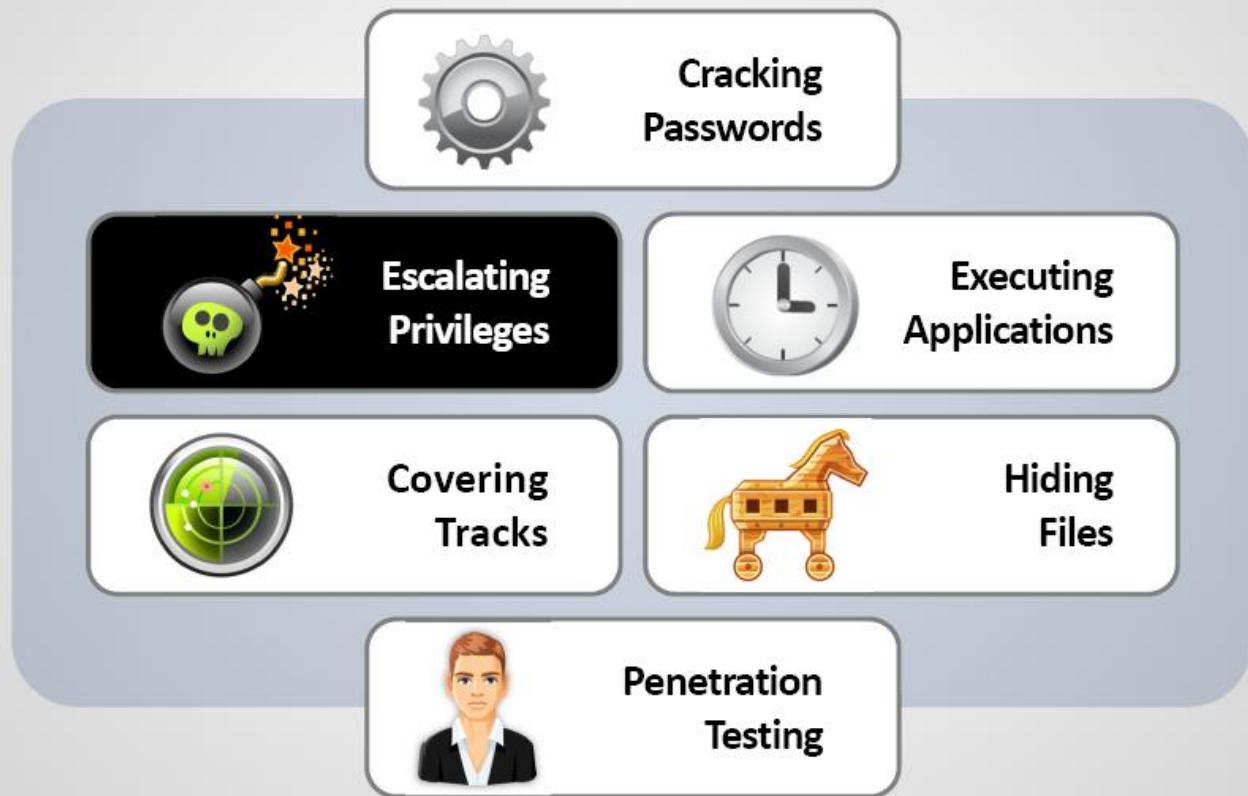
**Permanent Account Lockout – Employee Privilege Abuse**

 Employee Name	 Employee ID	
 Employee Address	 Employee SSN	
 Employee Designation	 Department	
 Manager Name	 Manager ID	
 Termination Effective Date	 Notice Period	
 Benefits Continuation	 Severance	
	 Termination Reason	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Y</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> X</li></ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Y</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> X</li></ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Opening unsolicited e-mail</li><li>■ Sending spam</li><li>■ Emanating Viruses</li><li>■ Port scanning</li><li>■ Attempted unauthorized access</li><li>■ Surfing porn</li><li>■ Installing shareware</li><li>■ Possession of hacking tools</li></ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Refusal to abide by security policy</li><li>■ Sending unsolicited e-mail</li><li>■ Allowing kids to use company computer</li><li>■ Disabling virus scanner</li><li>■ Running P2P file sharing</li><li>■ Unauthorized file/web serving</li><li>■ Annoying the System Admin</li></ul>



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# CEH System Hacking Steps



# Privilege Escalation

An attacker can gain access to the network using a **non-admin user account**, and the next step would be to gain administrative privileges



# Escalation of Privileges

## StickyKeys



## AdminUser



## DomainUser

- StickyKeys is an accessibility feature in Windows OS to aid users who have physical disabilities. **Press shift key 5 times** at the logon screen and the StickyKey dialog shows up
- The program that launches the StickyKeys is located at **c:\windows\system32\sethc.exe**
- If we replace the **sethc.exe** which is responsible for the sticky key dialog, with **cmd.exe**, and then call **sethc.exe** by pressing shift key 5 times at logon screen, we will get a command prompt with administrator privileges

Note: Microsoft might fix this in future OS upgrades rendering this technique unusable.

# Escalation of Privileges

StickyKeys

AdminUser

DomainUser

## Create a hidden admin account



- ▶ Launch command prompt and type “**NET USER Juggyboy PASSWORD**” where “PASSWORD” can be any password you like and press enter
- ▶ Go to **registry** editor and navigate to the key [HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows NT\CurrentVersion\Winlogon\SpecialAccounts\UserList]
- ▶ Create a new **DWORD value**, write its name as the “Juggyboy,” and close the registry editor
- ▶ Juggyboy will be a hidden user with Administrative privileges

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# Escalation of Privileges

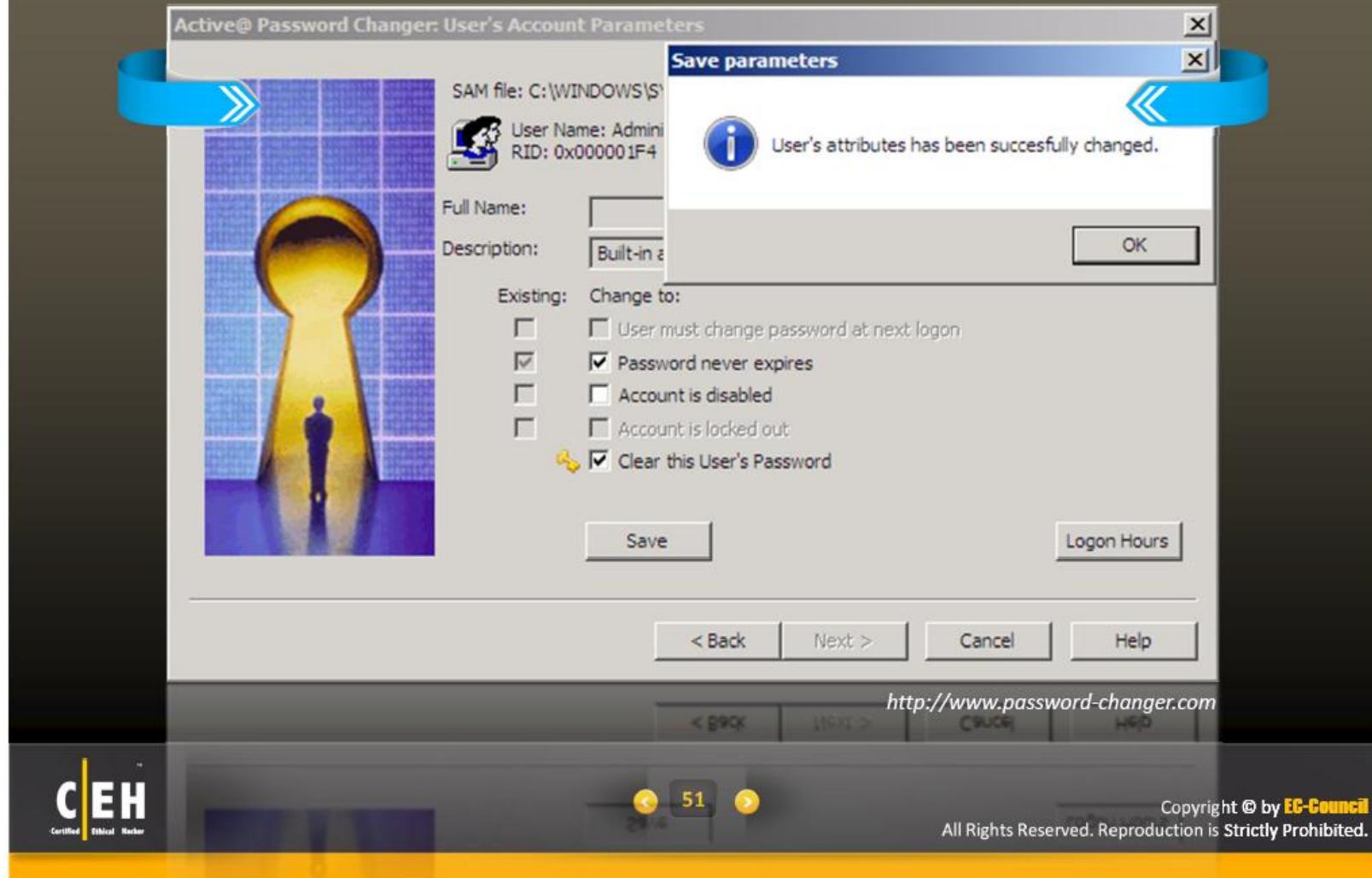


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# Active@ Password Changer



# Privilege Escalation Tools



**Stellar Phoenix Password Recovery**  
<http://www.recoveranypassword.com>



**Windows Password Reset Kit**  
<http://www.reset-windows-password.net>



**Passware Password Recovery Kit**  
<http://www.lostpassword.com>



**Windows Password Recovery Tool**  
<http://www.windowspasswordsrecovery.com>



**Password Unlocker Bundle**  
<http://www.passwordunlocker.com>



**ElcomSoft System Recovery**  
<http://www.elcomsoft.com>

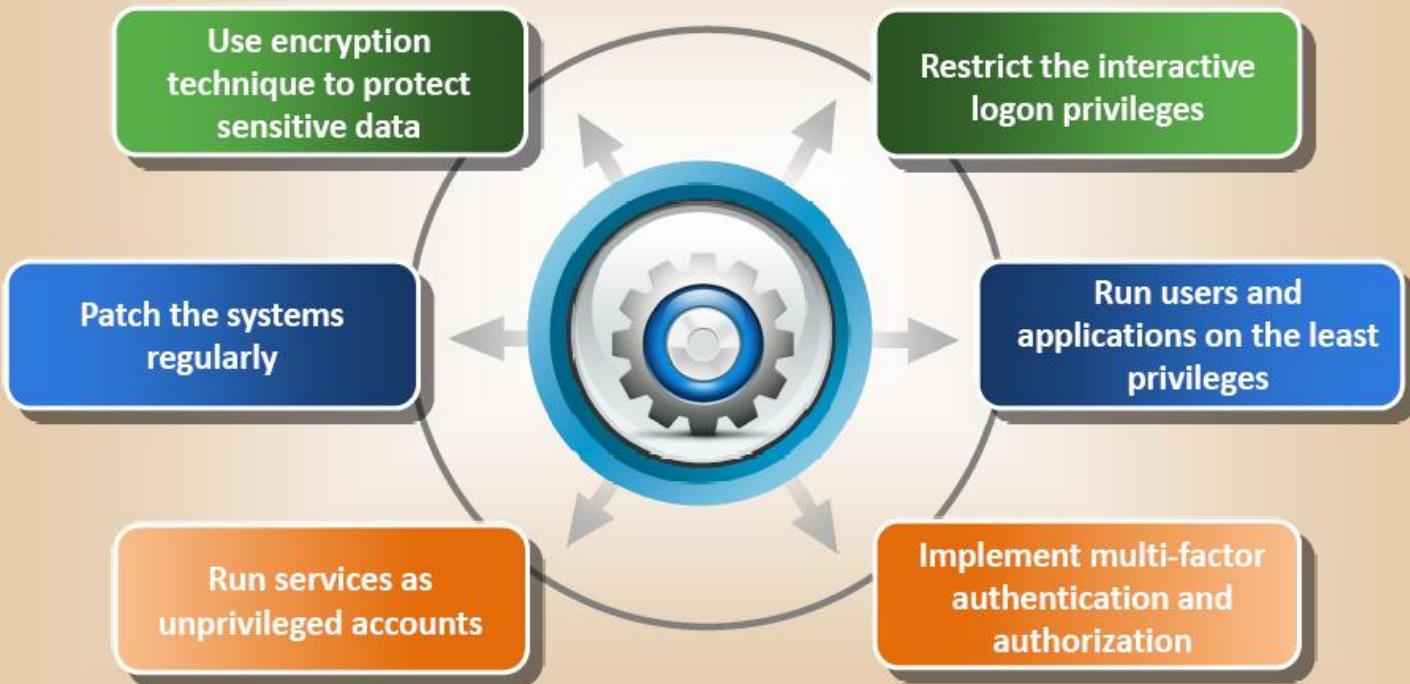


**Offline NT Password & Registry Editor**  
<http://pogostick.net>

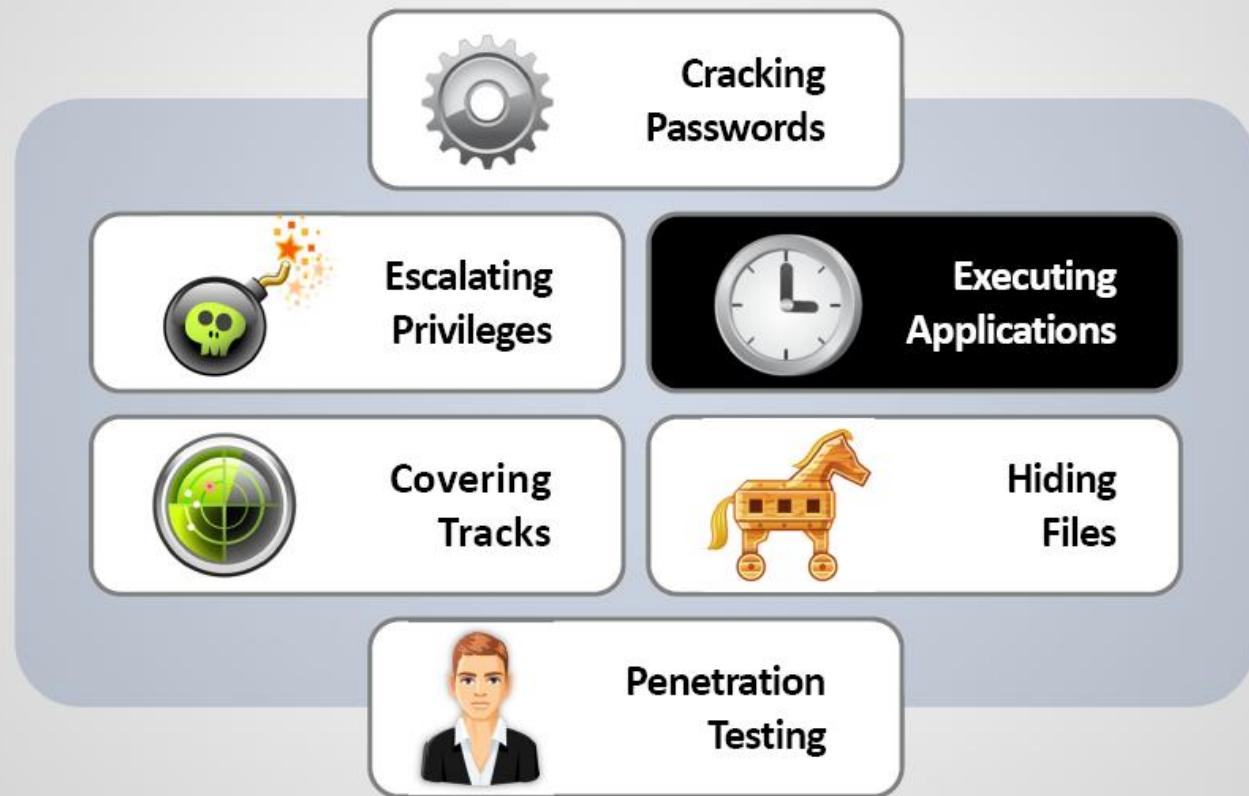


**Trinity Rescue Kit**  
<http://trinityhome.org>

# How to Defend against Privilege Escalation?



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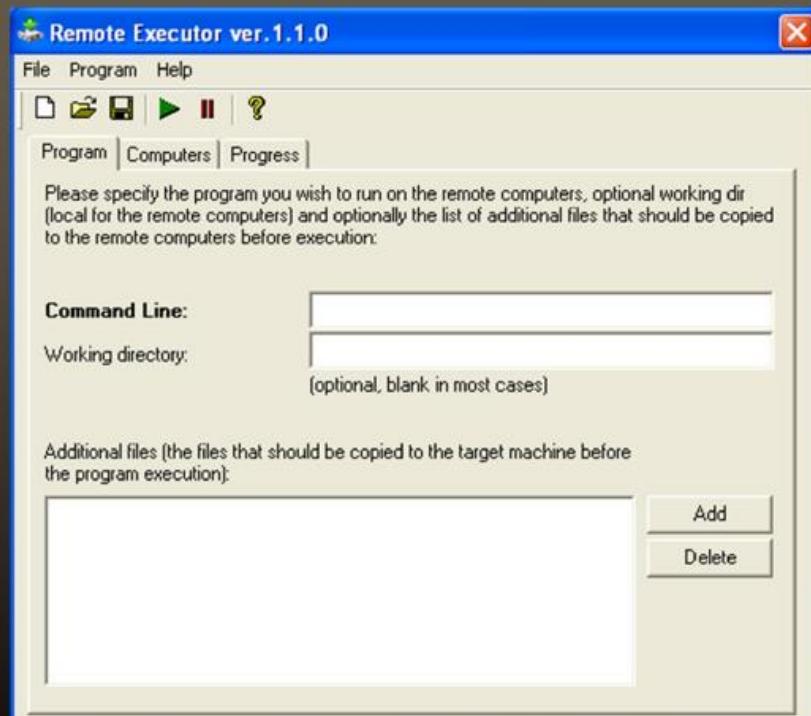
# Executing Applications

Attackers execute malicious applications in this stage. This is called “owning” the system



# Alchemy Remote Executor

- Alchemy Remote Executor is a system management tool that allows you to execute programs on **remote network computers**
- The program executes on **multiple remote computers** simultaneously



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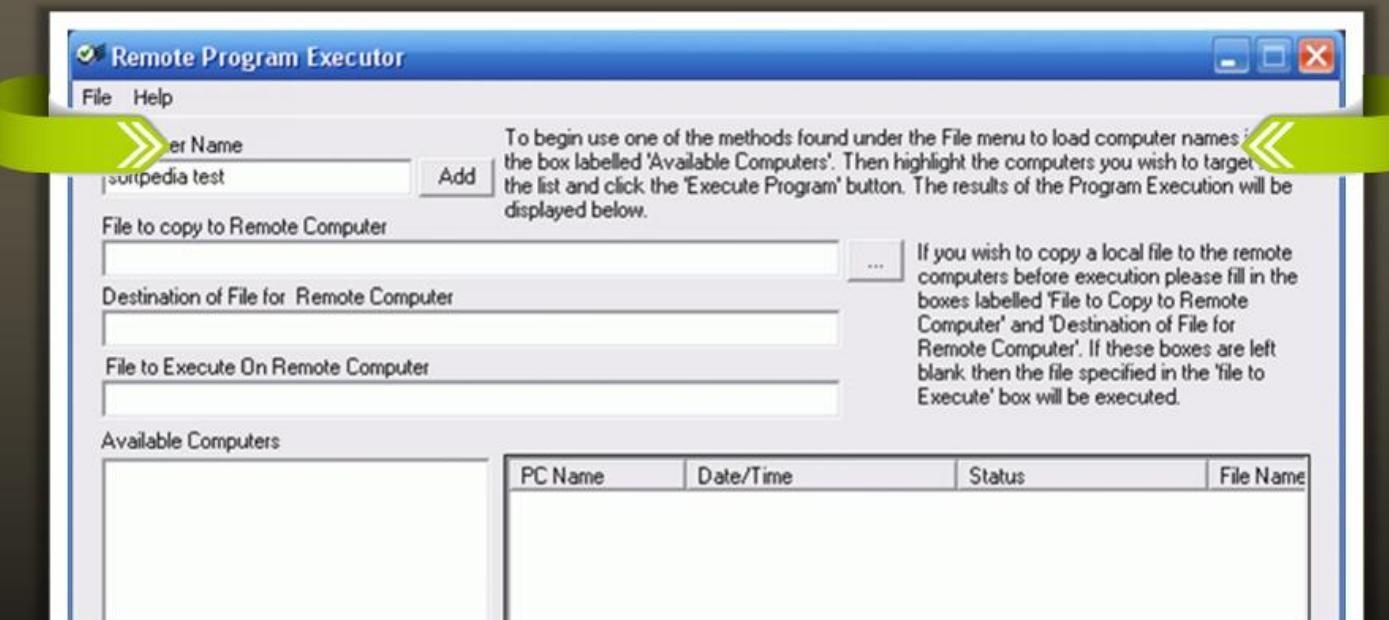
# RemoteExec

The image shows two windows of the RemoteExec application:

- RemoteExec - File Execution**: This window allows executing a single file. It includes fields for "File" (D:\Copy\RemotExec\Script.bat), "Directory", "Arguments", "Context" (Administrative), "Verb" (Not available), "Copy files" (Temporarily), and checkboxes for "Wait exit", "Console", "Auto", and "Reboot". Buttons for "Test", "Execute", and "Help" are also present.
- RemoteExec - Multiple actions**: This window lists multiple actions to execute. It displays a scrollable list of items, each consisting of a checkbox and a string like "KB8905414 - Windows 2003 - English - x86". To the right of the list are buttons for "Add..", "Files..", "Remove", "Edit", "Up", and "Down".

At the bottom of the interface, there are tabs for "Actions", "Jobs", "Events", and "Logs". A status bar at the very bottom indicates "57" and "Copyright © by EC-Council All Rights Reserved. Reproduction is Strictly Prohibited." with the URL <http://www.pnltutorial.com>.

# Execute This!



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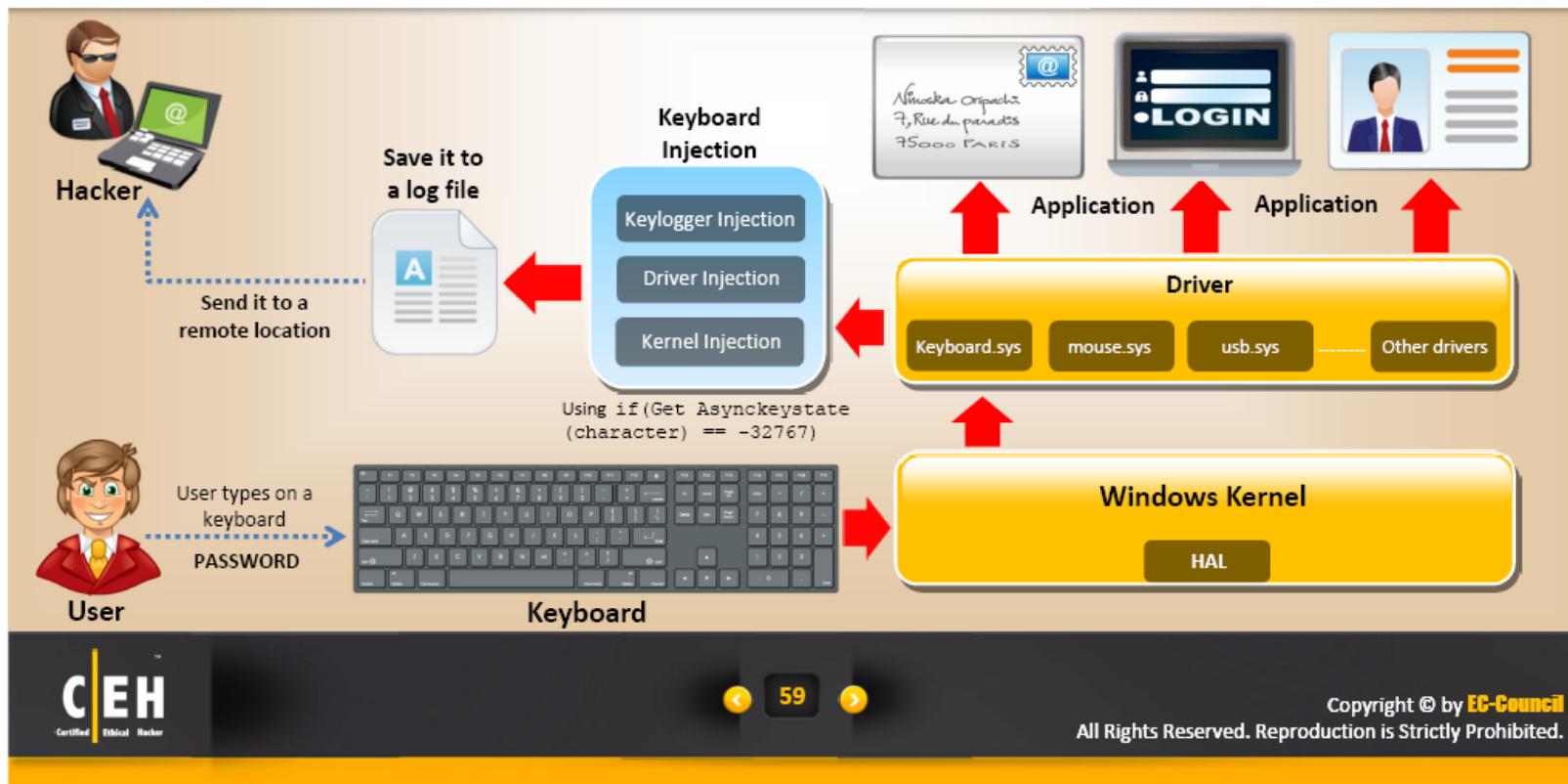


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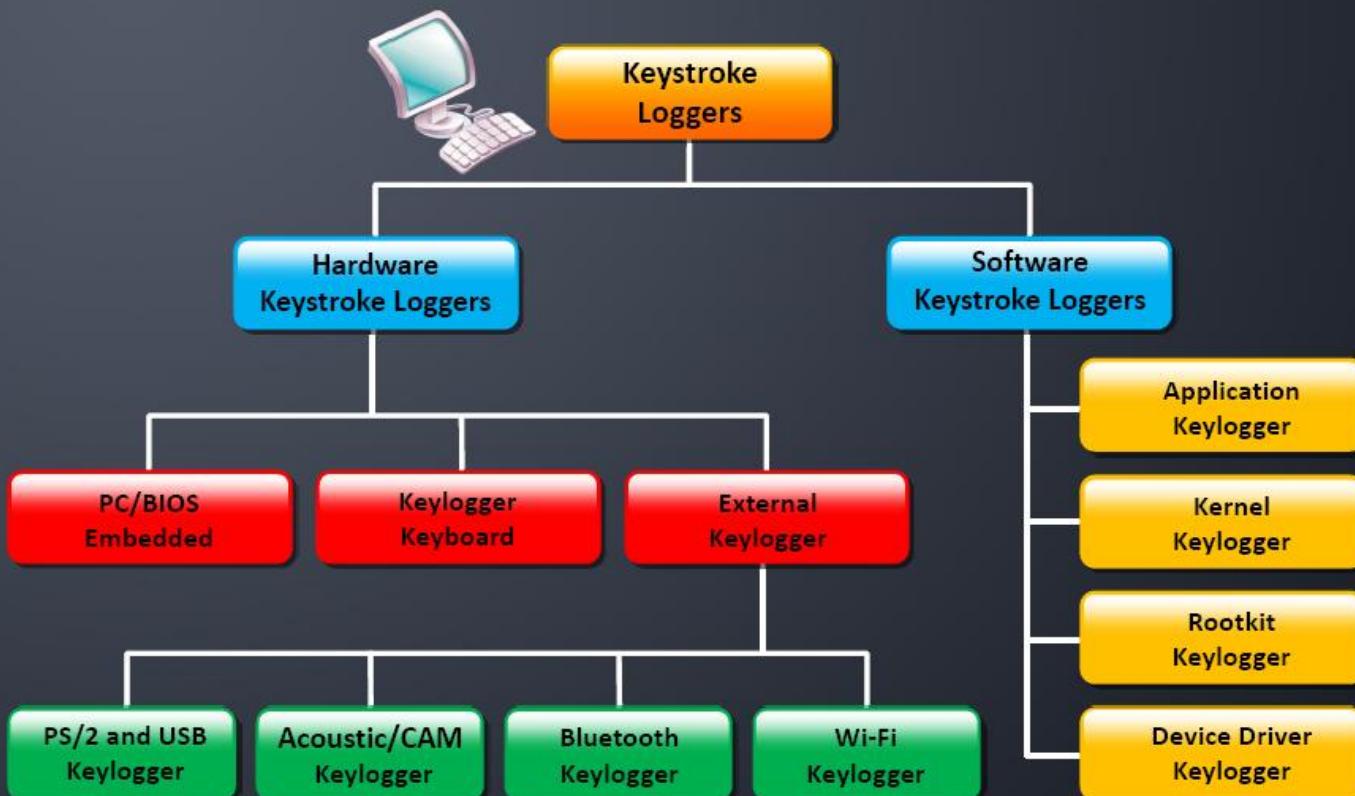
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# Keylogger

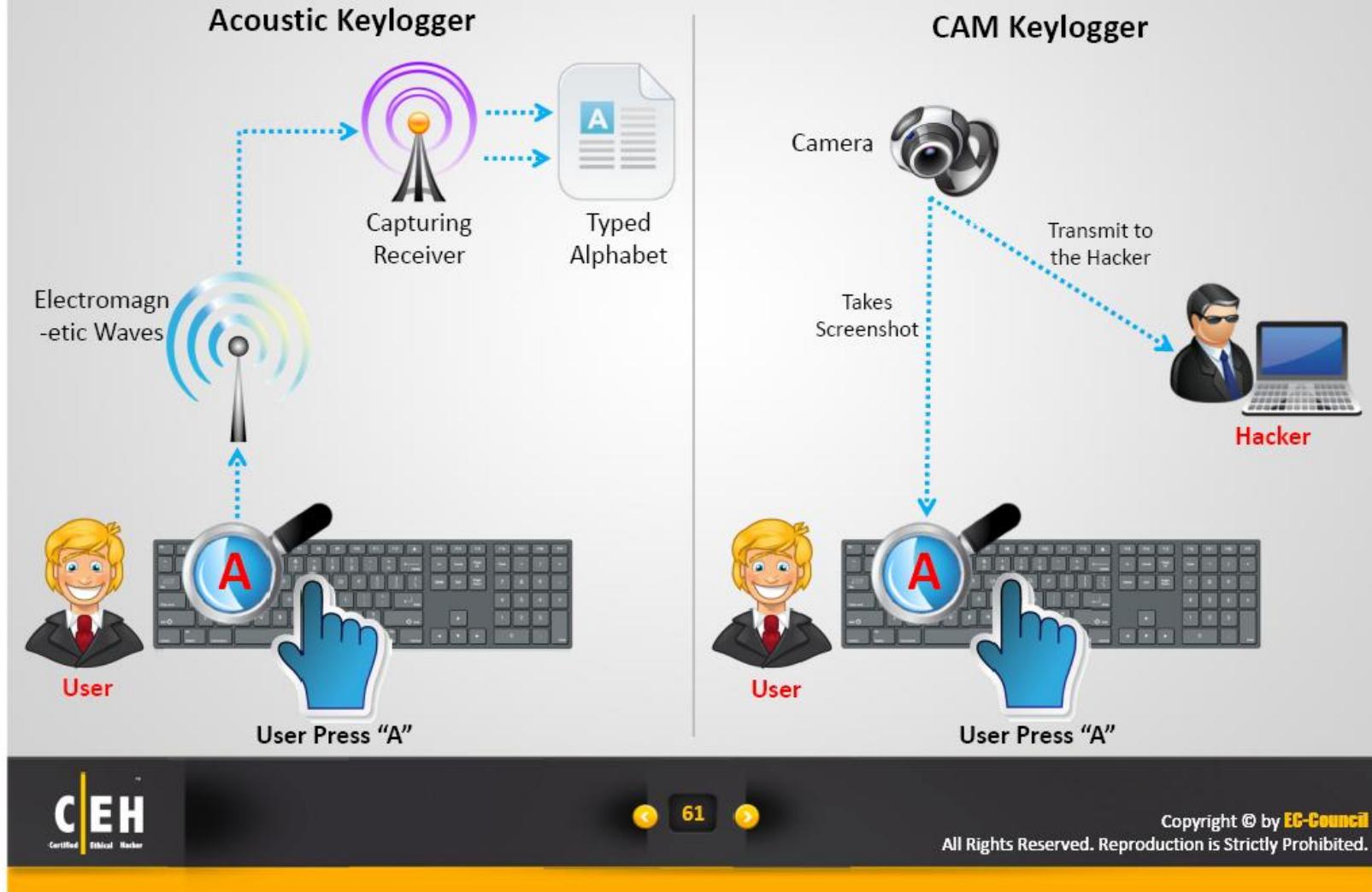
- Keystroke loggers are programs or hardware devices that **monitor each keystroke** as user types on a keyboard; logs on to a file or transmits them to a remote location
- Keyloggers are placed between the **keyboard hardware** and the **operating system**
- Legitimate applications for keyloggers include in office and industrial settings to monitor employees' computer activities and in home environments where parents can monitor and spy on children's activity



# Types of Keystroke Loggers



# Acoustic/CAM Keylogger





PS/2 Keylogger



USB Keylogger



Wi-Fi Keylogger



Keylogger embedded  
inside the keyboard



Bluetooth Keylogger



Hardware Keylogger

# Keylogger: Advanced Keylogger



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# Keylogger: Spytech SpyAgent



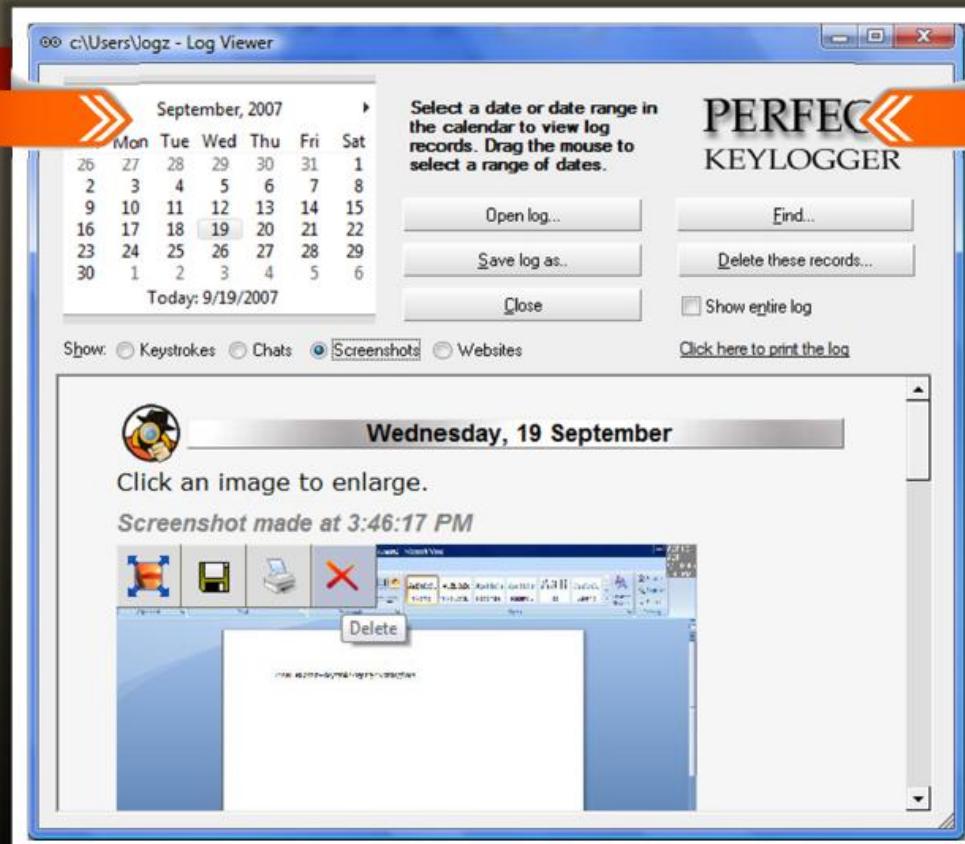
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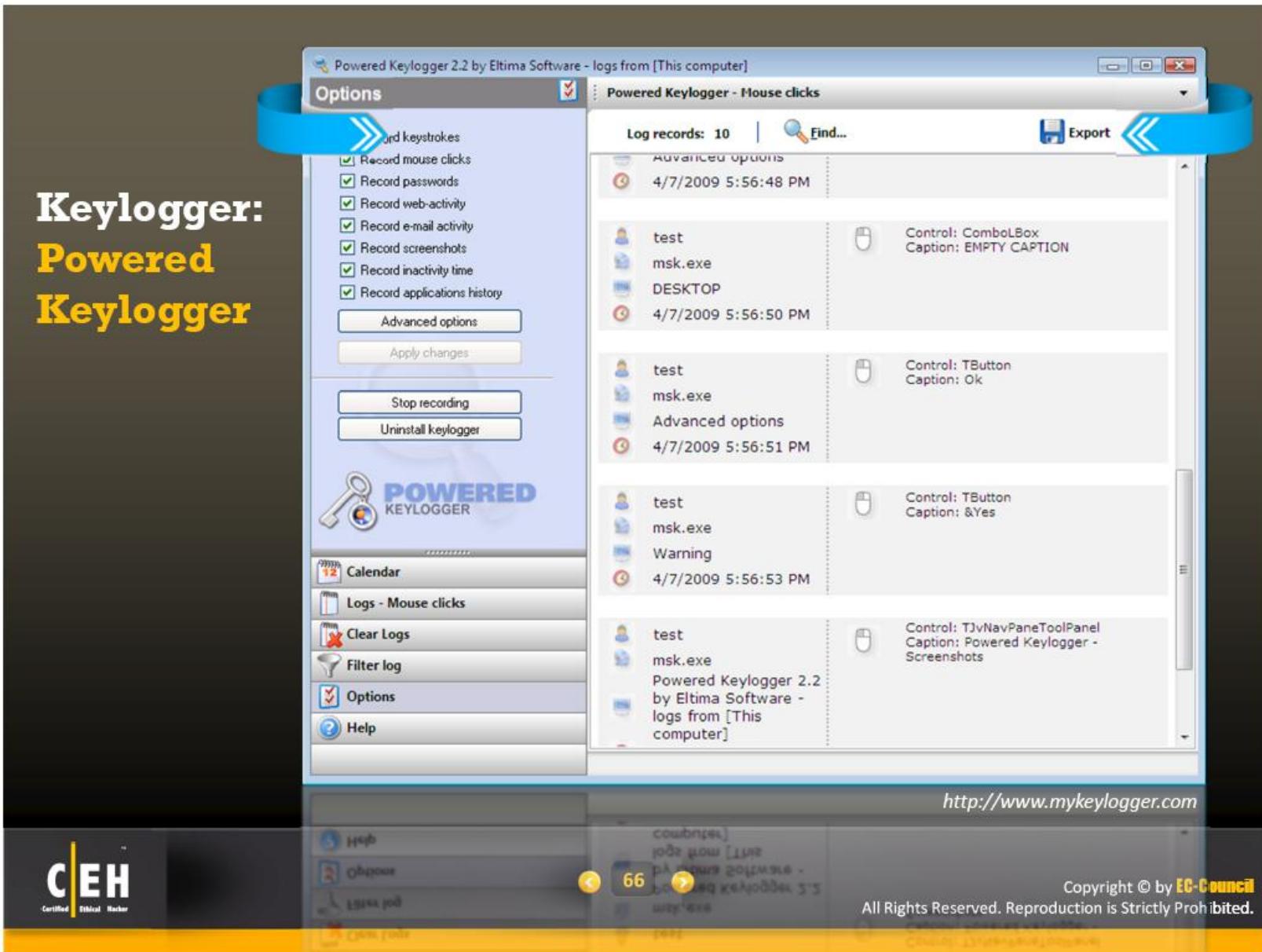
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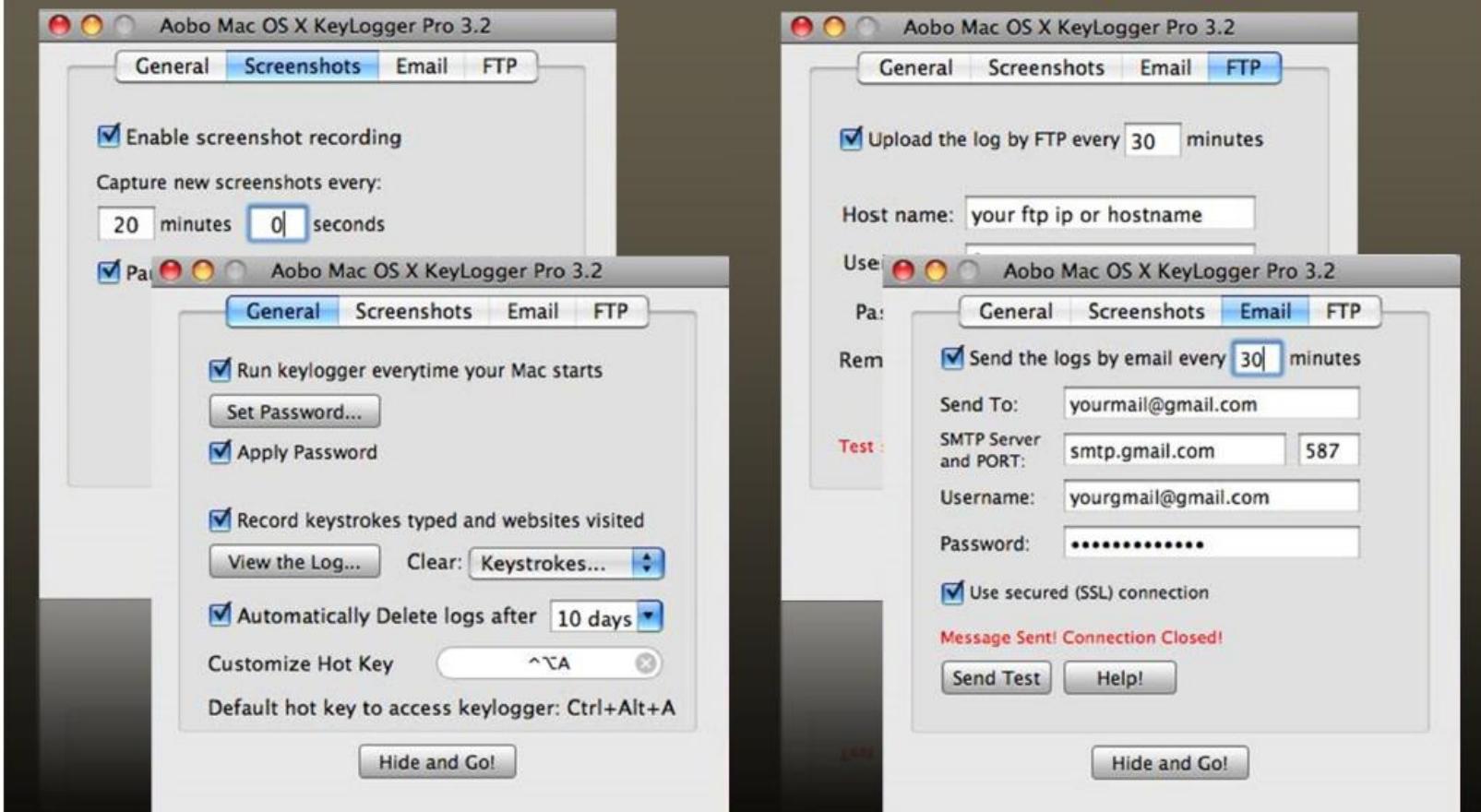
# Keylogger: Perfect Keylogger



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## Keylogger for Mac: Aobo Mac OS X KeyLogger



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# Keylogger for Mac: Perfect Keylogger for Mac

The image shows two windows of the Perfect Keylogger for Mac software. The left window is titled "Perfect Keylogger for Mac: Options" and displays a list of monitored keywords: sex, porn, drugs, wife, husband, boss, meet, and lover. Below the list are buttons for adding or removing keywords and checkboxes for "Make a screenshot" and "Send email notification". The right window is titled "Perfect Keylogger for Mac: Log Viewer" and shows a screenshot of a Yahoo! search results page. The log viewer interface includes a toolbar at the bottom with various icons and a status bar indicating the date as April 11, 2009.

Perfect Keylogger for Mac: Options

General Screenshots Alerts Email FTP

sex  
porn  
drugs  
wife  
husband  
boss  
meet  
lover

+ - Add keywords you want to monitor

When a keyword is detected:

Make a screenshot  
 Send email notification

Perfect Keylogger for Mac: Log Viewer

YAHOO!

Search: Web Images Video Local Shopping more

Y! Russia Apr 11, 2009

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# Keyloggers



iMonitorPC Business Plus  
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XPCSpy Pro  
<http://www.x-pcsoft.com>



PC Activity Monitor Standard  
<http://www.pcacme.com>



Handy Keylogger  
<http://www.handy-keylogger.com>



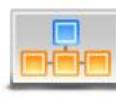
KeyProwler Pro  
<http://www.keyprowler.com>



KeyProwler  
<http://www.keyprowler.com>



PC Activity Monitor Lite  
<http://www.pcacme.com>



Stealth Keylogger  
<http://www.amplusnet.com>

# Keyloggers



**Keylogger Spy Monitor**  
<http://www.ematrixsoft.com>



**REFOG Personal Monitor**  
<http://www.refog.com>



**Actual Keylogger**  
<http://www.actualkeylogger.com>



**Spypector**  
<http://www.spypector.com>



**All In One Keylogger**  
<http://www.relytec.com>



**WinSession Logger**  
<http://cromosoft.com>



**Spy Lantern Keylogger Pro**  
[http://www.spy-latern.com](http://www.spy-lantern.com)



**PC Spy Keylogger**  
<http://www.pc-spy-keylogger.com>

# Keyloggers



**Golden Eye**

<http://www.monitoring-spy-software.com>



**Emsa FlexInfo Pro**

<http://www.e-systems.ro>



**Revealer Keylogger**

<http://www.logixoft.com>



**Quick Keylogger**

<http://www.quick-keylogger.com>



**Spy Keylogger**

<http://www.spy-key-logger.com>



**Actual Spy**

<http://www.actualspy.com>



**IKS Software Keylogger**

<http://amecisco.com>

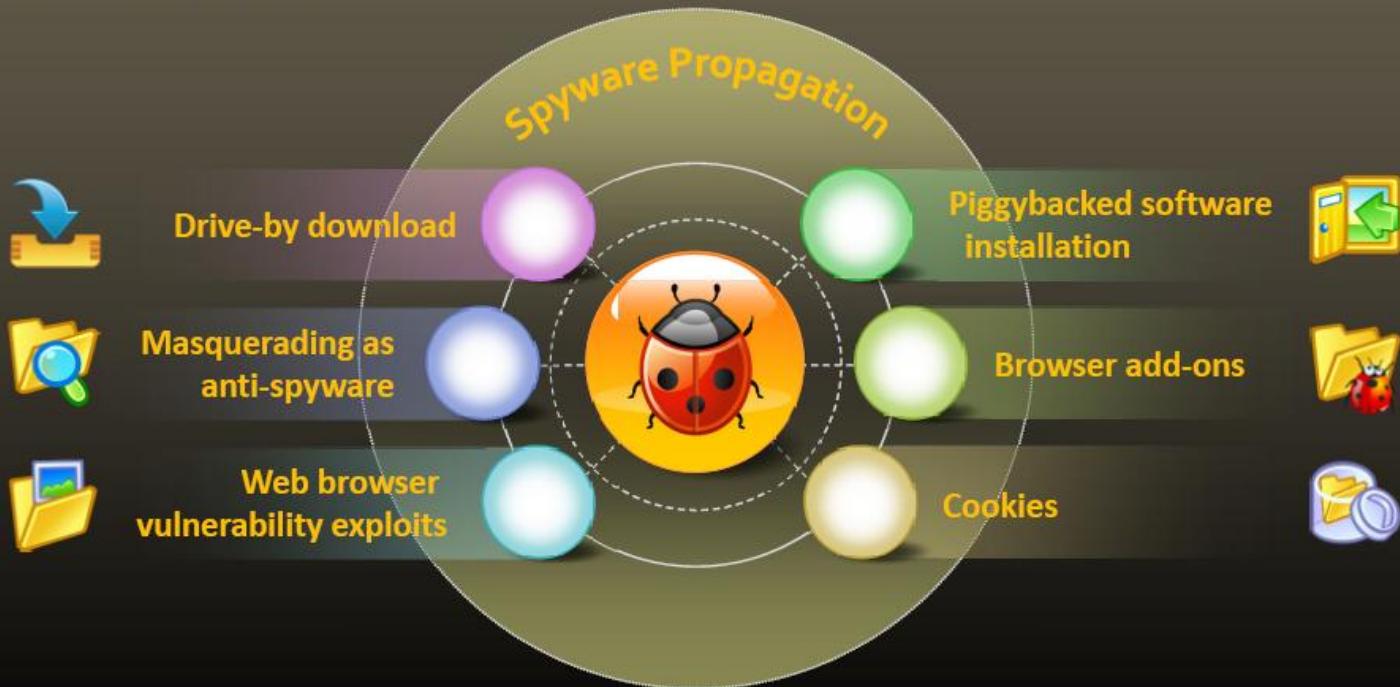


**Ghost Keylogger**

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# Spyware

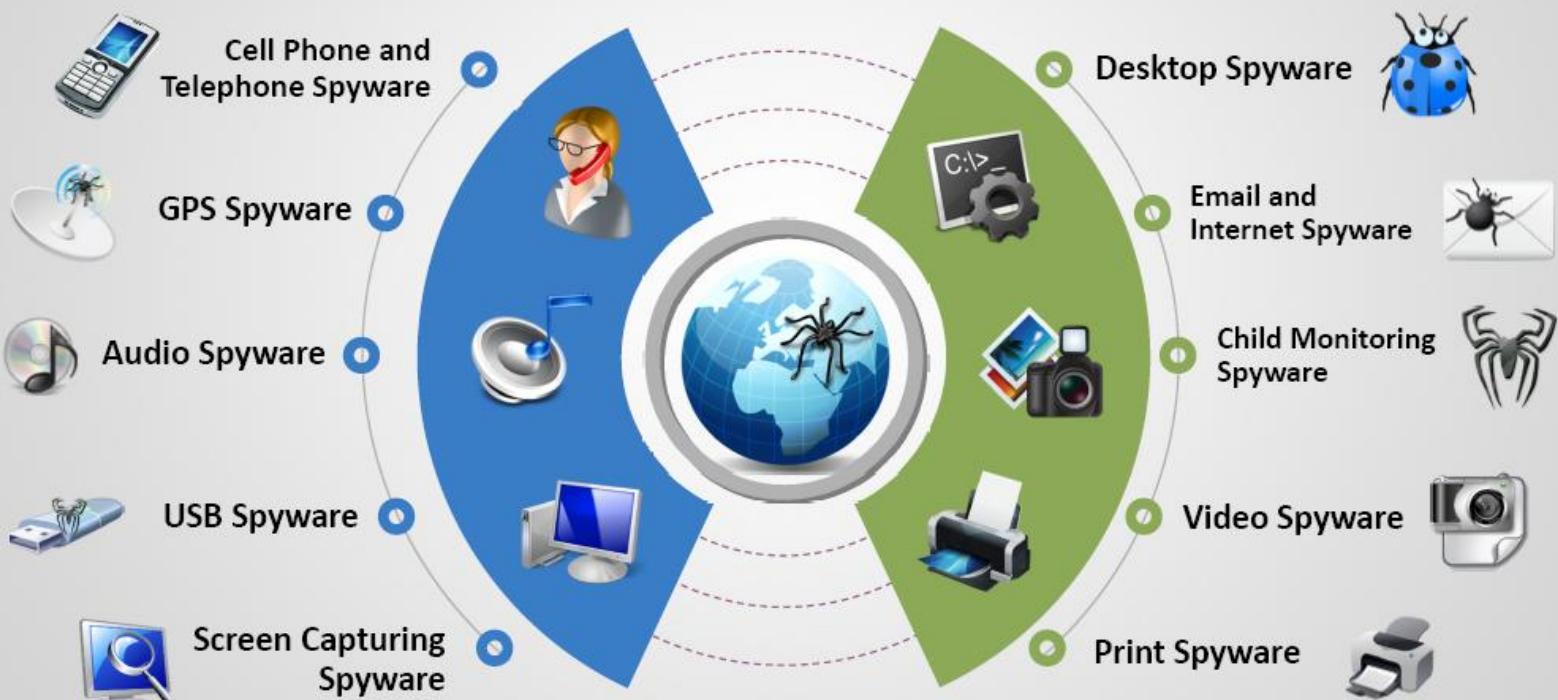
Spyware is a program that **records user's interaction** with the computer and Internet without the user's knowledge. Spyware is stealthy, hiding its process, files, and other objects in order to avoid removal.



# What Does the Spyware Do?



# Types of Spywares

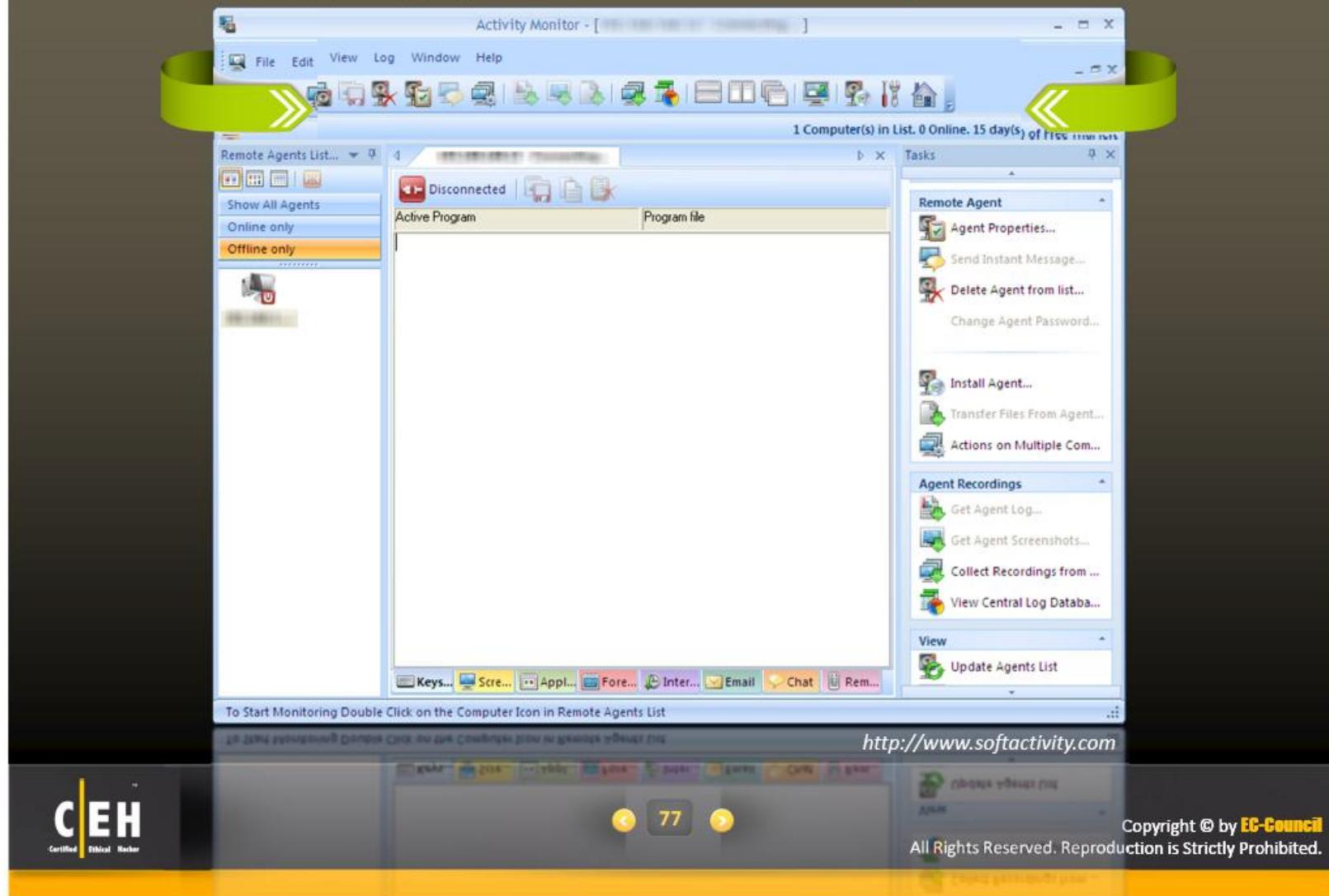


# Desktop Spyware

Desktop spyware **provides information** regarding what network users did on their desktops, how, and when



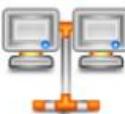
# Desktop Spyware: Activity Monitor



# Desktop Spyware



**SpyMe Tools**  
<http://www.lcibrossolutions.com>



**Easy Remote**  
<http://www.lcibrossolutions.com>



**Remote Desktop Spy**  
<http://www.global-spy-software.com>



**Desktop Spy X**  
<http://www.vistaspysoftware.com>



**SSPro**  
<http://www.gpsoftdev.com>



**Chily Employee Monitoring**  
<http://www.recoveryfix.com>



**Employee Desktop Live Viewer**  
<http://www.nucleustechologies.com>



**NetVizor**  
<http://www.spytech-web.com>

# Email and Internet Spyware

## Email spyware

- E-mail spyware **monitors**, **records**, and **forwards** incoming and outgoing emails, including web-mail services like Gmail and Hotmail
- It records instant messages conducted in: AIM, MSN, Yahoo, MySpace, Facebook, etc.

- Internet spyware provides a **summary report** of overall web usage
- It records the date/time of visits and the active time spent on each website
- It blocks access to a specific web page or an entire website

## Internet spyware



# Email and Internet Spyware: eBLASTER

The screenshot shows the eBLASTER Control Panel interface. At the top, there are links for 'Report Delivery' (highlighted in blue), 'Sent Reports', and 'Report of Recent Activity'. Below this, a section titled 'Activity Reports, Forwarding Services and Alerts are sent via email using the following settings:' contains several configuration options:

- Report Delivery Summary:** Based on your current settings, eBlaster will send an Activity Report via email **every 60 minutes** to '[john@gmail.com](mailto:john@gmail.com)'.
- Activity Reports:** Activity Report Delivery:  On  Off. Send a Report:  Every 60 Minutes of Activity  Once a day at 10:15 AM. Format Report as:  HTML  Plain Text.
- Email:** Forward All Emails:  On  Off. Include Attachments:  On  Off.
- Chat / Instant Message:** Forward All Chat/IMs:  On  Off.
- Alerts:** Forward Keyword Alerts:  On  Off.

At the bottom left is a button labeled 'Send a Test Email' with an icon of two envelopes. At the bottom right are 'Settings...' and 'Save' buttons. The URL <http://www.spectorsoft.com> is visible at the bottom center. A watermark for 'CEH Certified Ethical Hacker' is in the bottom left, and copyright information for EC-Council is in the bottom right.

# Internet and E-mail Spyware



Imonitor Employee Activity  
<http://www.employee-monitoring-software.cc>



Employee Monitoring  
<http://www.employeemonitoring.net>



OsMonitor  
<http://www.os-monitor.com>



Ascendant NFM  
<http://www.ascendant-security.com>



Wiretap Professional  
<http://www.wiretappro.com>



Spy Software XP  
<http://www.softbe.com>



Spylab WebSpy  
<http://www.spylab.org>



Personal Inspector  
<http://www.spyarsenal.com>

# Child Monitoring Spyware



Control and supervise how children use the PC and Internet



Block kids from accessing inappropriate web content using specified keywords



Monitor activities for selected users such as websites, keystrokes and screenshots

Record selected activities, including screenshots, keystrokes, and websites

# Child Monitoring Spyware: Advanced Parental Control

The screenshot displays the Advanced Parental Control software interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with tabs for Computer, Internet, Programs, WebSite, Keyword, System, and User Restrictions. Below the navigation bar is a "User Selection Area" table:

User Name	Type	Status	Full Name
Administrator	Admin	Enabled	
child	User	Enabled	child
Guest	Guest	Enabled	
Owner	Admin	Enabled	

On the left, a sidebar titled "Applications restriction for user :- child" lists various applications with checkboxes. Some applications like iTunes, LavaSoft Ad-Aware SE Personal, and Microsoft ActiveSync have checkboxes checked. On the right, a "Restricted Applications List for user child" window shows a detailed list of restricted executables with their paths:

Name	Path
AIM6.EXE	C:\PROGRAM FILES\AIM6\AIM6.EXE
AOLLAUNCH.EXE	C:\PROGRAM FILES\COMMON FILES\AOL\LA...
UNINST.EXE	C:\PROGRAM FILES\AIM6\UNINST.EXE
VISIT AIM.COM.URL	HTTP://WWW.AIM.COM
DIEGO.EXE	C:\PROGRAM FILES\Diego's Wolf Pup RE...
DORA.EXE	C:\PROGRAM FILES\Doras Carnival Adv...
DORA'S MAGIC C...	C:\PROGRAM FILES\Dora's Magic Castle...
DORAVENTUR...	C:\PROGRAM FILES\Dora's World ADVE...
FREECELL.EXE	C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM32\FREECELL.EXE
MSHEARTS.EXE	C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM32\MSHEARTS.EXE
BCKGZM.EXE	C:\PROGRAM FILES\MSN GAMING ZONE\WI...
CHKRZM.EXE	C:\PROGRAM FILES\MSN GAMING ZONE\WI...
HRTZMZ.EXE	C:\PROGRAM FILES\MSN GAMING ZONE\WI...
RVSEZM.EXE	C:\PROGRAM FILES\MSN GAMING ZONE\WI...
SHVL2M.EXE	C:\PROGRAM FILES\MSN GAMING ZONE\WI...
WINMINE.EXE	C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM32\WINMINE.EXE
WINMINE.EXE	C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM32\WINMIN.EXE
PINBALL.EXE	C:\PROGRAM FILES\WINDOWS NT\PINBALL\...

At the bottom of the application windows, there are buttons for Add, Remove, Save, and Cancel. The footer of the main window contains the URL <http://www.advancedparentalcontrol.com>. The footer also includes the EC-Council logo and the text "Copyright © by EC-Council All Rights Reserved. Reproduction is Strictly Prohibited."

# Child Monitoring Spyware



**Silent Monitoring**  
<http://www.silentmonitoring.com>



**iProtectYou Pro**  
<http://www.softforyou.com>



**Net Nanny Home Suite**  
<http://www.netnanny.com>



**Big Mother**  
<http://www.tupsoft.com>



**KSS Parental Control**  
<http://www.isoftwise.com>



**SpyOn Baby**  
<http://www.spyingmachines.com>



**CyberSieve**  
<http://www.softforyou.com>



**SentryPC**  
<http://www.spytech-web.com>

# Screen Capturing Spyware



Screen capturing spyware takes screenshots of local or remote PCs at a predefined interval of time



It allows monitoring screens in real-time of all the user activities on the network



These spywares may also capture keystrokes, mouse activity, visited website URLs and printer activity in Real-time



Screen capturing spyware generally saves screenshots to local disk or send them to attacker via FTP or e-mail



# Screen Capturing Spyware: Spector Pro



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# Screen Capturing Spyware



**Hidden Recorder**  
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**Hidden Camera**  
<http://www.oleansoft.com>



**Desktop Spy**  
<http://www.spyarsenal.com>



**Quick Screen Note**  
<http://www.oleansoft.com>



**IcyScreen**  
<http://www.16software.com>



**SoftActivity TS Monitor**  
<http://www.softactivity.com>



**PC Tattletale**  
<http://www.pctattletale.com>



**Computer Screen Spy Monitor**  
<http://www.mysuperspy.com>

# USB Spyware

- USB spyware **copies files** from USB devices to your hard disk in hidden mode without any request
- It may also capture, display, record and analyze **data transferred** between any USB device connected to PC and applications

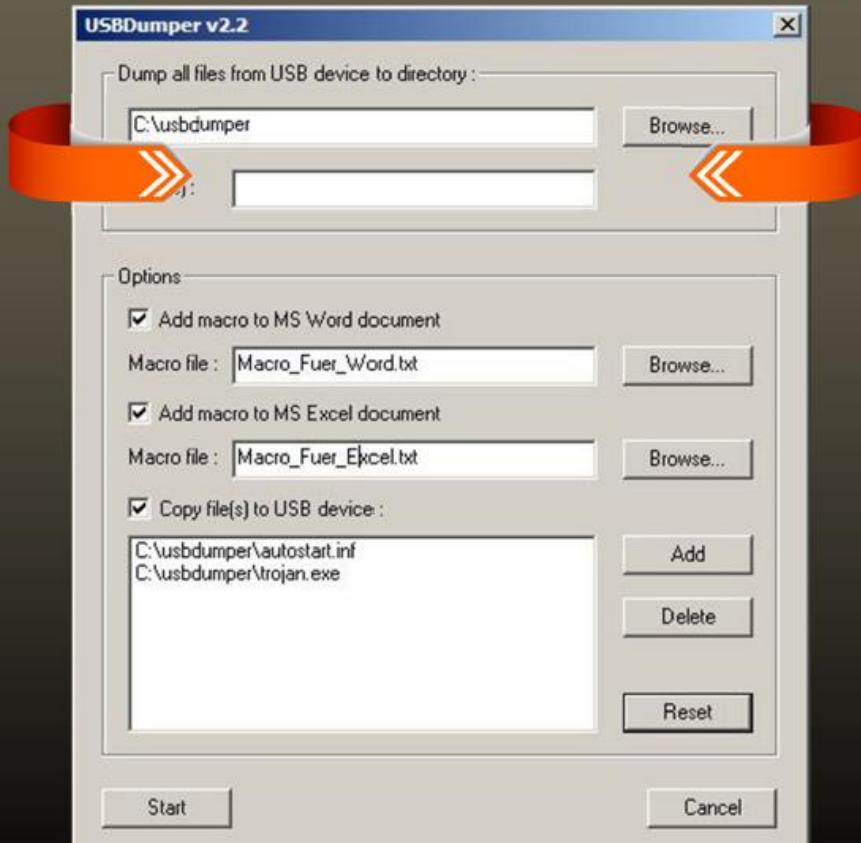


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# USB Spyware: USBDumper



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# USB Spyware



**USB Spy**  
<http://www.everstrike.com>



**USB sniffer**  
<http://benoit.papillault.free.fr>



**USB Monitor**  
<http://www.hhdsoftware.com>



**USB Data Theft Protection Tool**  
<http://www.monitorusb.com>



**USB Hacksaw**  
<http://www.hak5.org>



**USBDevview**  
<http://www.nirsoft.net>



**USB Data Protection Tool**  
<http://www.liveusbmonitor.com>



**USB Grabber**  
<http://digitaldream.persiangig.com>

# Audio Spyware

Audio spyware monitors and records variety of sounds on the computer

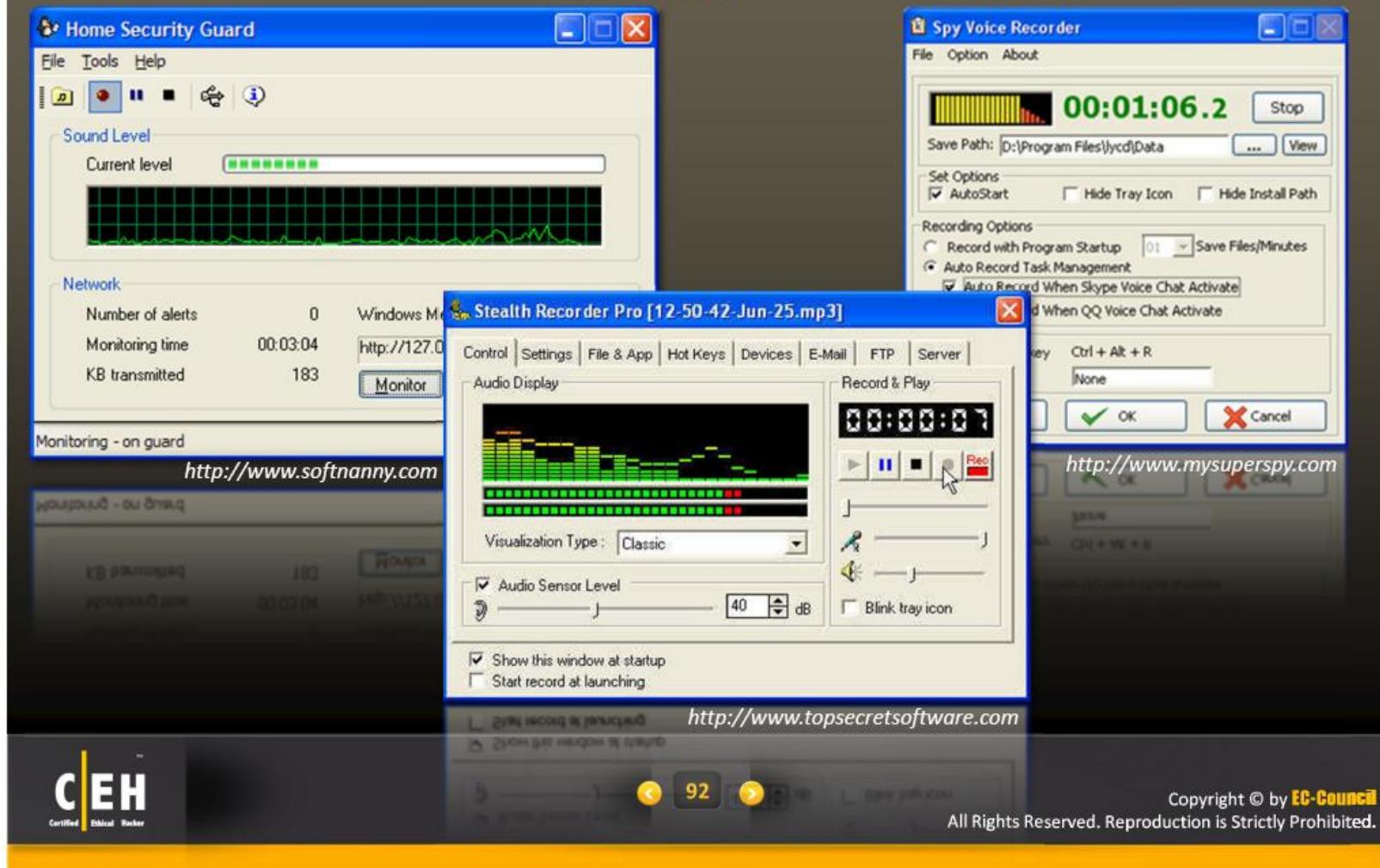
It records and spies voice chat message of different instant messengers



Malicious users use audio spyware to snoop and monitor conference recordings, phone calls, radio broadcasts

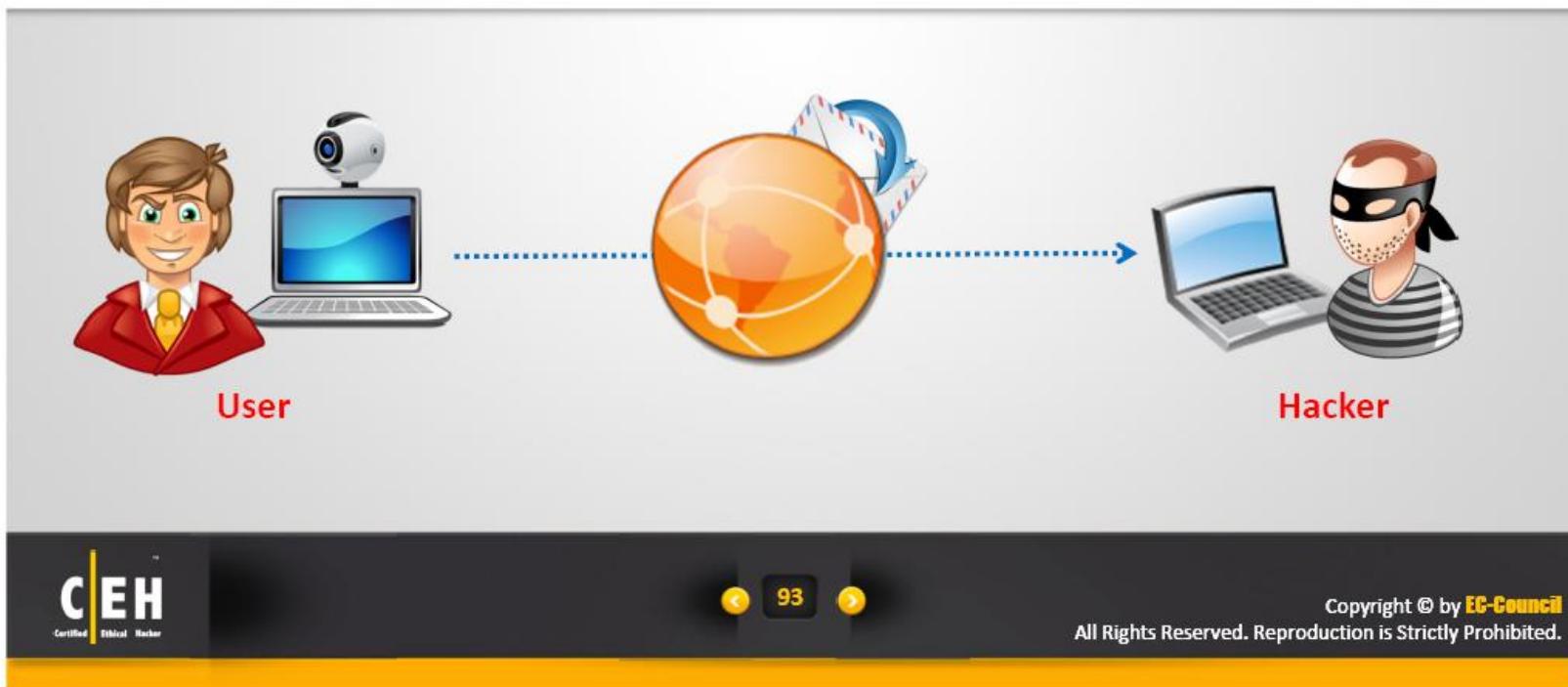


# Audio Spyware: RoboNanny, Stealth Recorder Pro and Spy Voice Recorder

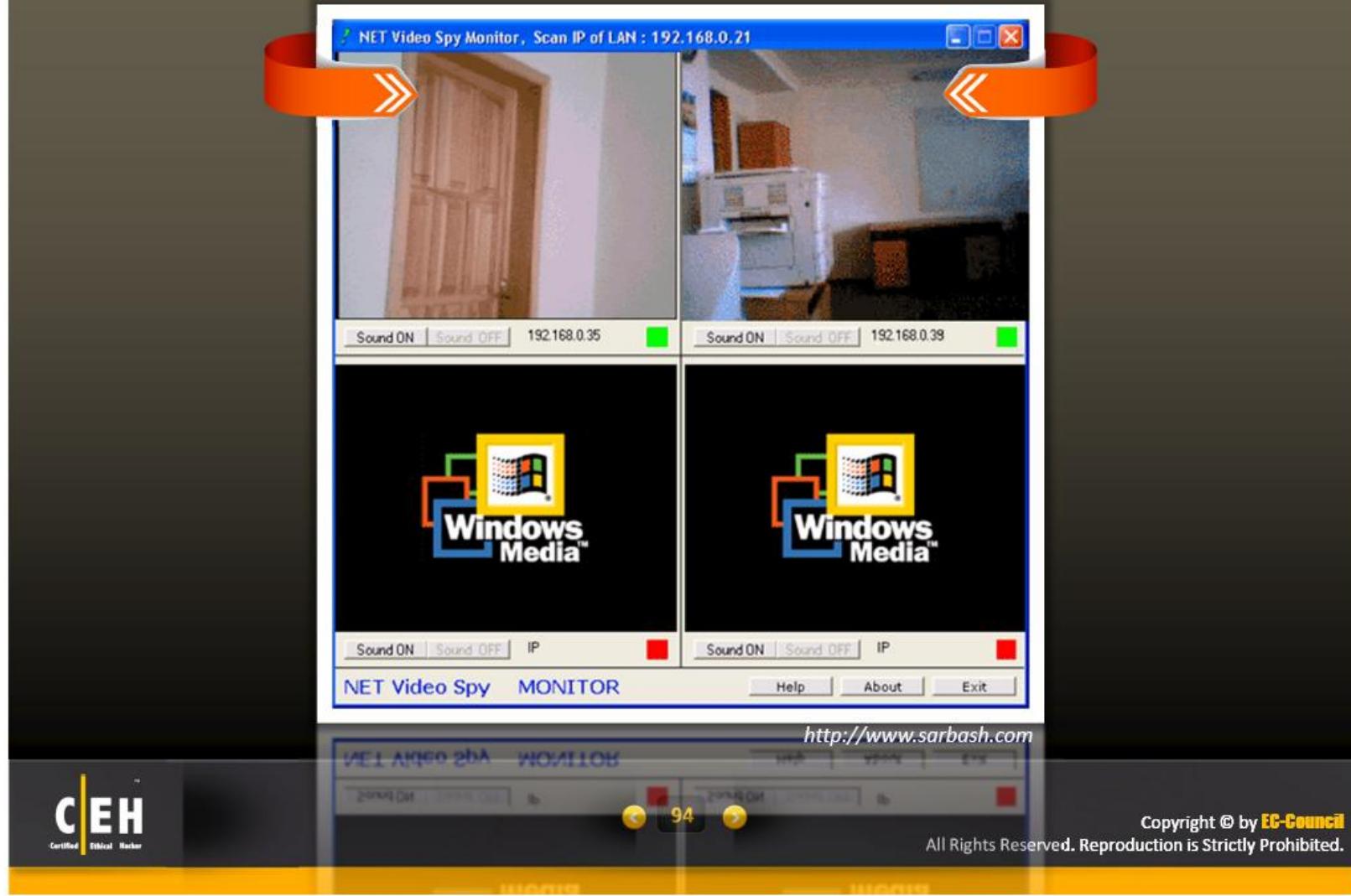


# Video Spyware

- Video spyware secretly **monitors** and **records** webcams and video IM conversations
- Attackers can remotely view webcams via the web or mobile phones
- Video spyware can be used for **video surveillance** of sensitive facilities



# Video Spyware: Net Video Spy



# Video Spyware



**WebCam Recorder**  
<http://webcamrecorder.com>



**WebcamMagic**  
<http://www.robomagic.com>



**EyeSpyFX**  
<http://www.eyespyfx.com>



**I-Can-See-You**  
<http://www.internetsafetysoftware.com>



**Digi-Watcher**  
<http://www.digi-watcher.com>



**Eyeline Video Surveillance Software**  
<http://www.nchsoftware.com>



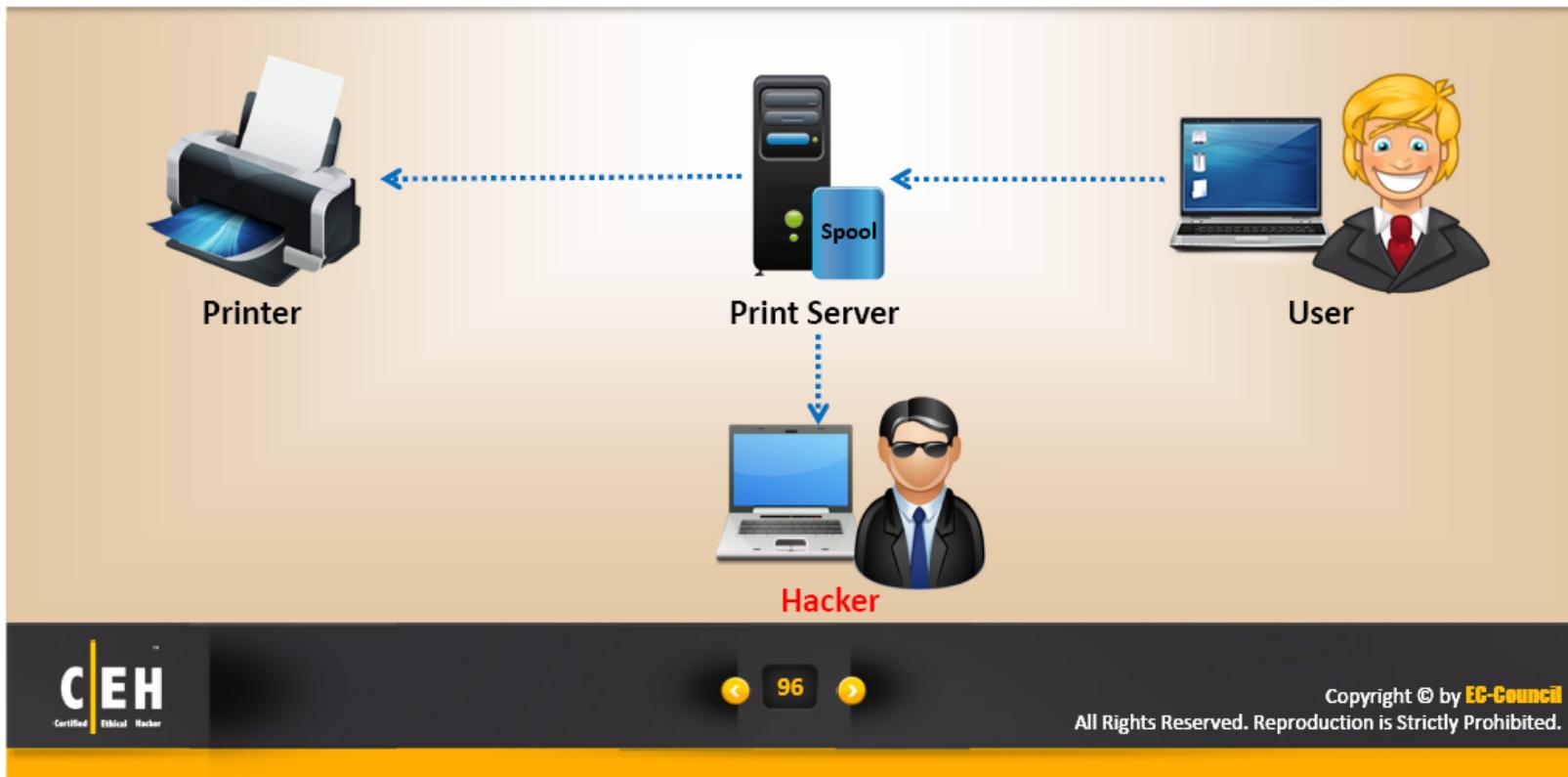
**Capturix VideoSpy**  
<http://www.capturix.com>



**Hidden Camera Control**  
<http://www.rempubs.com>

# Print Spyware

- Printer spyware facilitates remote printer usage monitoring
- It can be used to detect exact **print job properties** such as number of copies, number of printed pages, and content printed



# Print Spyware: Printer Activity Monitor

The screenshot shows the 'Printer Activity Monitor' application window. On the left is a navigation tree with categories like Software, Configuration, Monitoring, Reports, Data Center(redline), Troubleshooting, and Information. The main area displays a 'Reports' section with a 'Top 10 (All-in-One)' summary. This summary includes sections for Activity Breakdown, Username, Host Name, Application, and Printer Name, each with a list of items and their corresponding Bytes Printed, Pages Printed, Jobs Count, and Percentage. To the right of the summary are several task panels: Generation Tasks (Generate a New Report, Generate a Predefined Report), Reports Tasks (Print Report, Email Report, Export Report, Edit Report Settings, Save Report Settings, Save Report Settings As), Navigation Tasks (Back, Toggle Report Style, View Printed Documents), and Related Tasks (Find Text, Show Charts, Configure Settings, Manage Scheduled Tasks). A blue ribbon-like graphic runs horizontally across the top of the main content area.

	Bytes Printed	Pages Printed	Jobs Count	Percentage
Username	205.63 MB	100	81	100%
WINDOWS2003\Administrator	180 MB	60	60	74.07%
REDLINE\user	23.56 MB	26	12	14.81%
SERVER2\Administrator	2.06 MB	14	9	11.11%
Host Name	205.63 MB	100	81	100%
WINDOWS2003	180 MB	60	60	74.07%
REDLINE	23.56 MB	26	12	14.81%
SERVER2	2.06 MB	14	9	11.11%
Application	205.63 MB	100	81	100%
firefox.exe	181.81 MB	68	63	77.78%
notepad.exe	293.36 kB	13	13	16.05%
iexplore.exe	20.18 MB	15	2	2.47%
EXCEL.EXE	184.77 kB	1	1	1.23%
chrome.exe	307.48 kB	2	1	1.23%
mmc.exe	2.86 MB	1	1	1.23%
Printer Name	205.63 MB	100	81	100%
AGFA-AccuSet v52.3	180 MB	60	60	74.07%
MS Publisher Color Printer	25.63 MB	39	20	24.69%
[Virt]Canon MF3110	1,148 B	1	1	1.23%

<http://www.redline-software.com>

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# Print Spyware



**Spyarsenal Print Monitor**  
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**PrintSniffer**  
<http://www.printsniffer.com>



**Accurate Printer Monitor**  
<http://www.aggsoft.com>



**Print Censor**  
<http://usefulsoft.com>



**All-Spy Print**  
<http://www.all-spy.com>



**O&K Print Watch**  
<http://www.prnwatch.com>



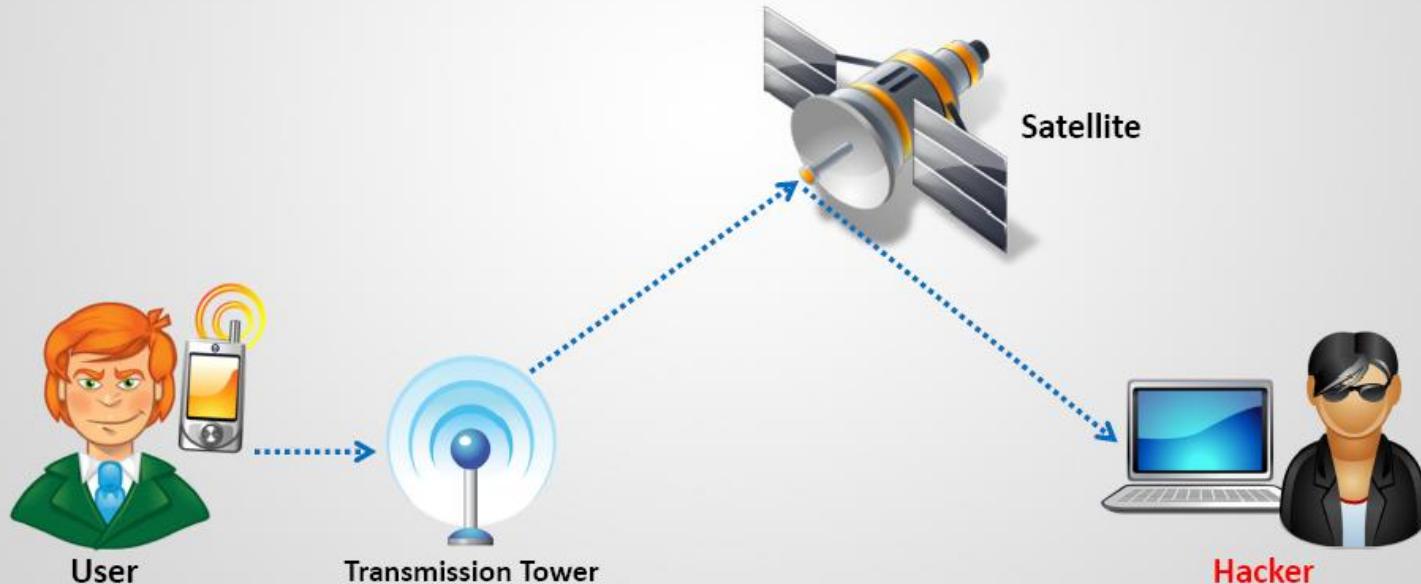
**Print Job Monitor**  
<http://www.imonitorsoft.com>



**PrintTrak**  
<http://www.lygil.com>

# Telephone/Cellphone Spyware

- Telephone/cellphone spyware **monitors** and **records** phone calls, text messages, and tracks employee cell phone usage
- Attackers install spyware on the devices they want to track. Which **secretly send data to attackers** through SMS or email



# Cellphone Spyware: Mobile Spy

The screenshot shows a Windows Internet Explorer window displaying the 'Mobile Spy - Online Control Panel - Smartphone Monitoring Software'. The URL in the address bar is <http://www.mobile-spy.com/member/index.php?page=callinout&pgno=0&show=0>. The page title is 'Mobile Spy - Online Control Panel - Smartphone ...'. The main content area is titled 'View Voice Call Logs' and displays a table of call records. The table has columns: MOBILE TIME, FROM PHONE, TO PHONE, DIRECTION, and DURATION - HR:MIN:SEC. The table shows 10 out of 21 records. At the bottom of the table, there are links for 'Download CSV', 'Show All', 'Outgoing', and 'Incoming'. A green ribbon graphic is overlaid on the top of the browser window.

MOBILE TIME	FROM PHONE	TO PHONE	DIRECTION	DURATION - HR:MIN:SEC
2007-04-20 22:04:00	1 (904) 952-9520	1 (602) 201-3632	Incoming	Unanswered
2007-04-20 17:11:00	1 (888) 612-2076	1 (602) 201-3632	Incoming	0:26
2007-04-20 08:33:00	1 (704) 359-5326	1 (602) 201-3632	Incoming	Unanswered
2007-04-20 07:35:00	1 (602) 201-3632	1 (602) 229-1133	Outgoing	Unanswered
2007-04-20 07:26:00	1 (602) 229-1133	1 (602) 201-3632	Incoming	0:17
2007-04-20 07:20:00	1 (602) 201-3632	1 (888) 612-2076	Outgoing	0:6
2007-04-19 14:42:00	1 (704) 359-5326	1 (602) 201-3632	Incoming	Unanswered
2007-04-19 12:11:00	1 (602) 229-1133	1 (602) 201-3632	Incoming	Unanswered
2007-04-19 12:05:00	1 (602) 201-3632	1 (602) 229-1133	Outgoing	Unanswered

Done

Internet | Protected Mode: On 100%

http://www.phonespysoftware.com

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# Telephone/Cellphone Spyware



**Telephone Spy**  
<http://www.spyarsenal.com>



**VRS Recording System**  
<http://www.nch.com.au>



**Modem Spy**  
<http://www.modemspy.com>



**Phone spy**  
<http://www.gooods.com>



**MobiStealth Cell Phone Spy**  
<http://www.mobistealth.com>



**SPYPhone GOLD**  
<http://spyera.com>



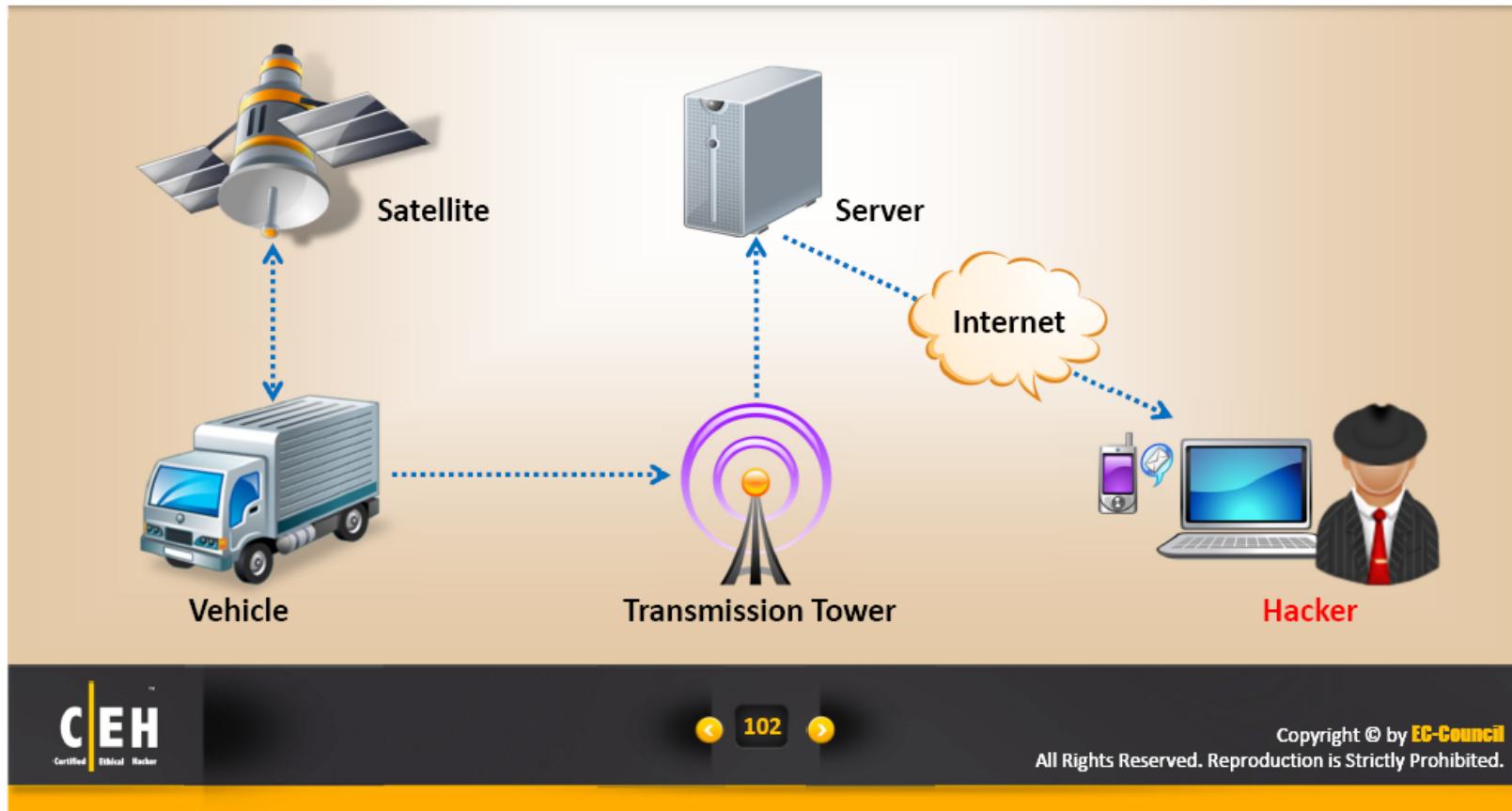
**SpyPhoneTap**  
<http://www.spiphonetap.com>



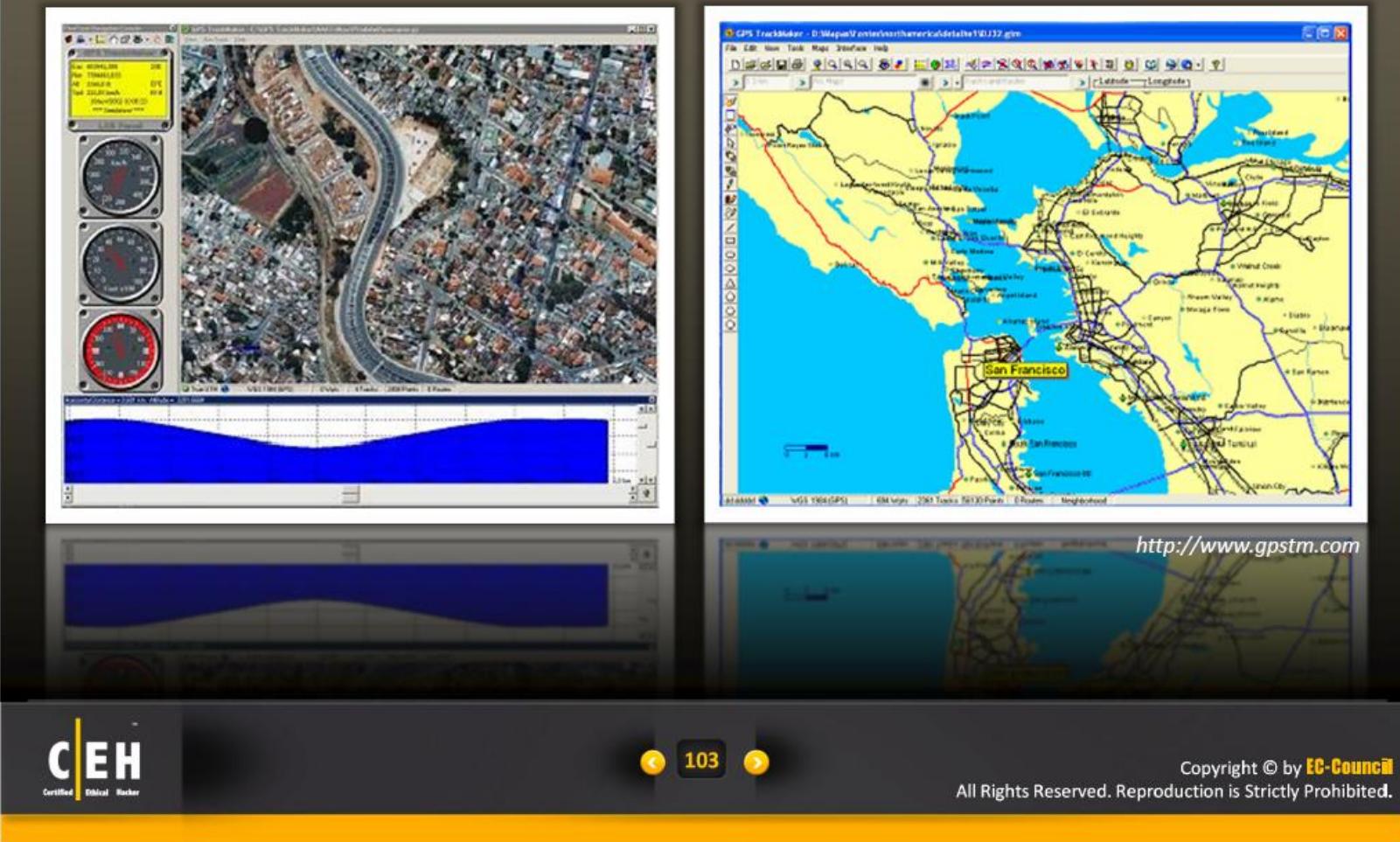
**FlexiSPY**  
<http://www.flexispy.com>

# GPS Spyware

GPS spyware is a device or software application that uses the Global Positioning System to **determine the location** of a vehicle, person, or other asset to which it is attached or installed



# GPS Spyware: GPS TrackMaker



# GPS Spyware



**EasyGPS**  
<http://www.easygps.com>



**ALL-in-ONE Spy**  
<http://www.thespyphone.com>



**FlexiSPY PRO**  
<http://www.flexispy.com>



**Trackstick**  
<http://www.trackstick.com>



**Mobile Spy**  
<http://www.phonespysoftware.com>



**MobiStealth Pro**  
<http://www.mobistealth.com>



**World-Tracker**  
<http://www.world-tracker.com>



**SPYPhone**  
<http://spyera.com>

# How to Defend against Keyloggers?



Install **antivirus software** and keep the signatures up to date

Install a **Host-based IDS** which can monitor your system and disable the installation of keyloggers

Install good professional **firewall software** and **anti-keylogging software**

Keep your **hardware systems secure** in a locked environment and frequently check the keyboard cables for the attached connectors

Choose **new passwords** for different online accounts and change them frequently

Use software that frequently **scans** and **monitors** the changes in the system or network

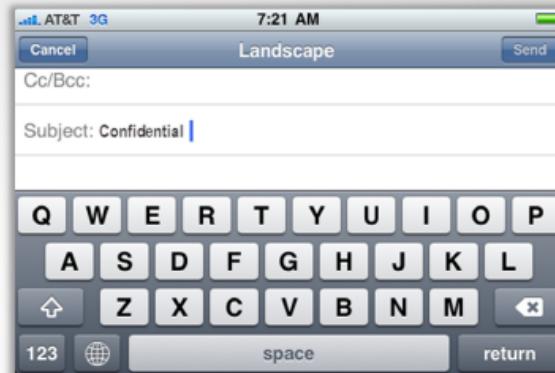
Use **pop-up blocker** and avoid opening junk emails

**Scan the files** before installing them on to the computer and use registry editor or process explorer to check for the keystroke loggers



# Anti-Keylogger

- Anti keyloggers detect and disable software keyloggers
- Some of the anti-keyloggers work by matching **signatures of keylogger code** with a signature database while others protect keyboard drivers and kernels from manipulation by keyloggers
- Using a **virtual keyboard** or touch screen makes it difficult for malicious spyware and Trojan programs to capture keystrokes



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# Anti-Keylogger: Zemana AntiLogger



# Anti-Keyloggers



**Anti-Keylogger**  
<http://www.anti-keyloggers.com>



**Advanced Anti Keylogger**  
<http://www.anti-keylogger.net>



**PrivacyKeyboard**  
<http://www.anti-keylogger.com>



**Anti Keyloggers 2010**  
<http://www.antikeyloggers2010.com>



**DefenseWall HIPS**  
<http://www.softsphere.com>



**KeyScrambler**  
<http://www.qfxsoftware.com>



**Anti-Keylogger Elite**  
<http://www.remove-keyloggers.com>



**I Hate Keyloggers**  
<http://dewasoft.com>

# How to Defend against Spyware?



- Adjust browser security settings to medium for Internet zone
- Enhance the security level of the computer
- Be cautious about suspicious emails and sites
- Install and use anti-spyware software
- Perform web surfing safely and download cautiously
- Update the software regularly and use a firewall with outbound protection
- Update virus definition files and scan the system for spyware regularly

# Anti-Spyware: Spyware Doctor



# Anti-Spywares



**CounterSpy**  
<http://www.sunbeltsoftware.com>



**Norton Internet Security  
2011**  
<http://www.symantec.com>



**SpyHunter**  
<http://www.enigmasoftware.com>



**Spyware Terminator**  
<http://www.spywareterminator.com>



**Kaspersky Internet Security  
2011**  
<http://www.kaspersky.com>



**Ad-Aware**  
<http://www.lavasoft.com>

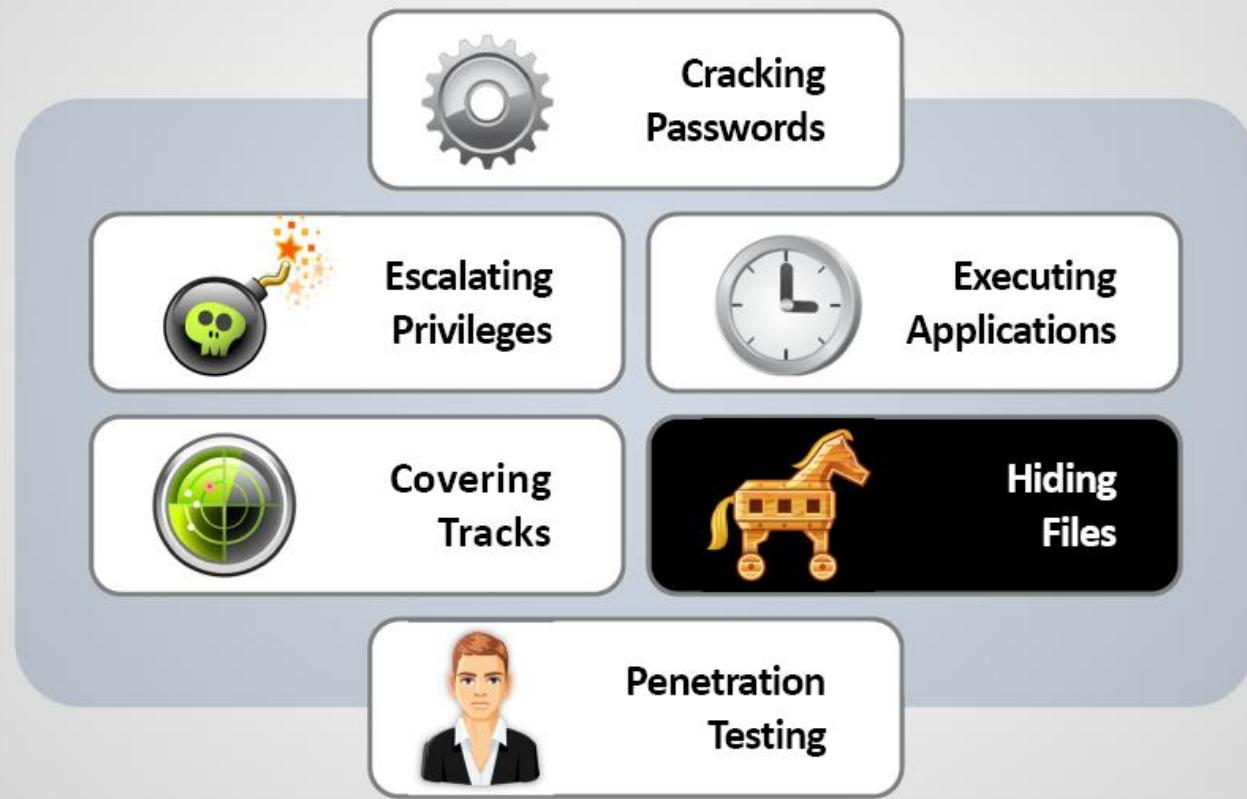


**Spy Sweeper**  
<http://www.webroot.com>



**MacScan (for MAC OS X)**  
<http://macscan.securemac.com>

# CEH System Hacking Steps



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# Rootkits



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Rootkits are kernel programs having the ability to **hide** themselves and cover up **traces of activities**

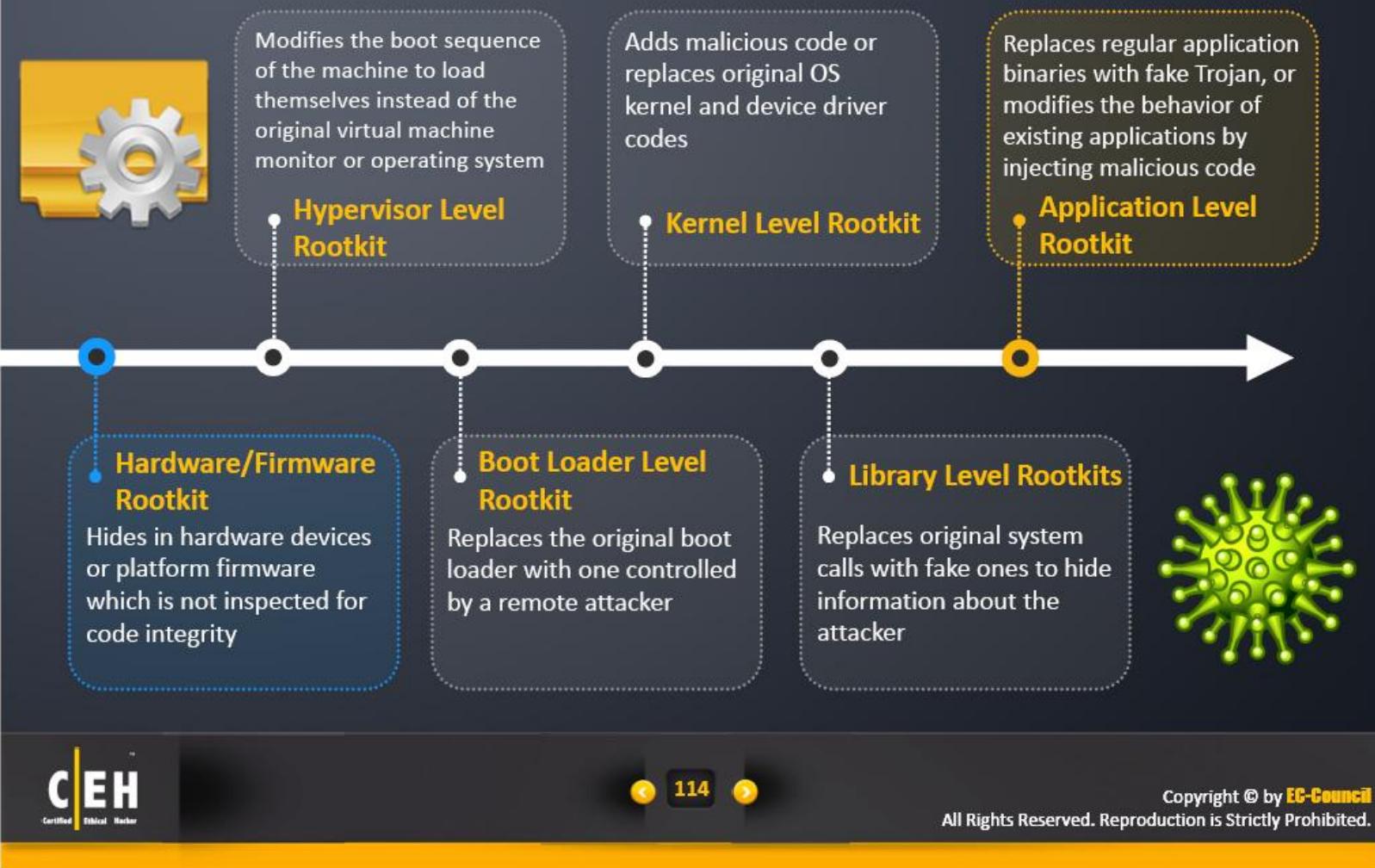
It replaces certain **operating system calls** and **utilities** with its own modified versions of those routines

The attacker acquires **root access to the system** by installing a virus, Trojan horse program, or spyware, in order to exploit it

Rootkit allows the attacker to **maintain hidden access** to the system

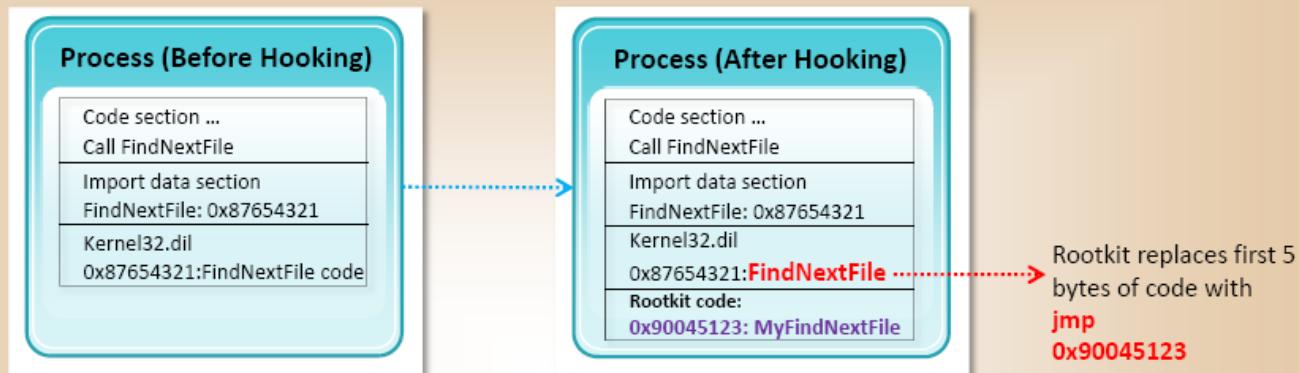


# Types of Rootkits

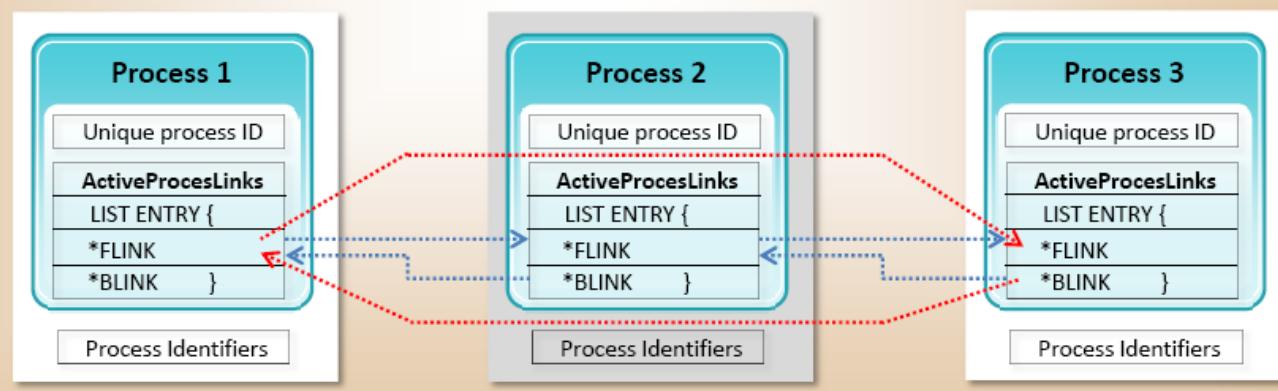


# How Rootkit Works?

Hooks



Direct Kernel Object Manipulation (DKOM)



DKOM rootkits hide a process by unlinking it from the process list



# Rootkit: Fu

Fu operates using direct Kernel object manipulation

Components of Fu are **dropper** (**fu.exe**) and **driver** (**msdirectx.sys**)

It allows attacker to:

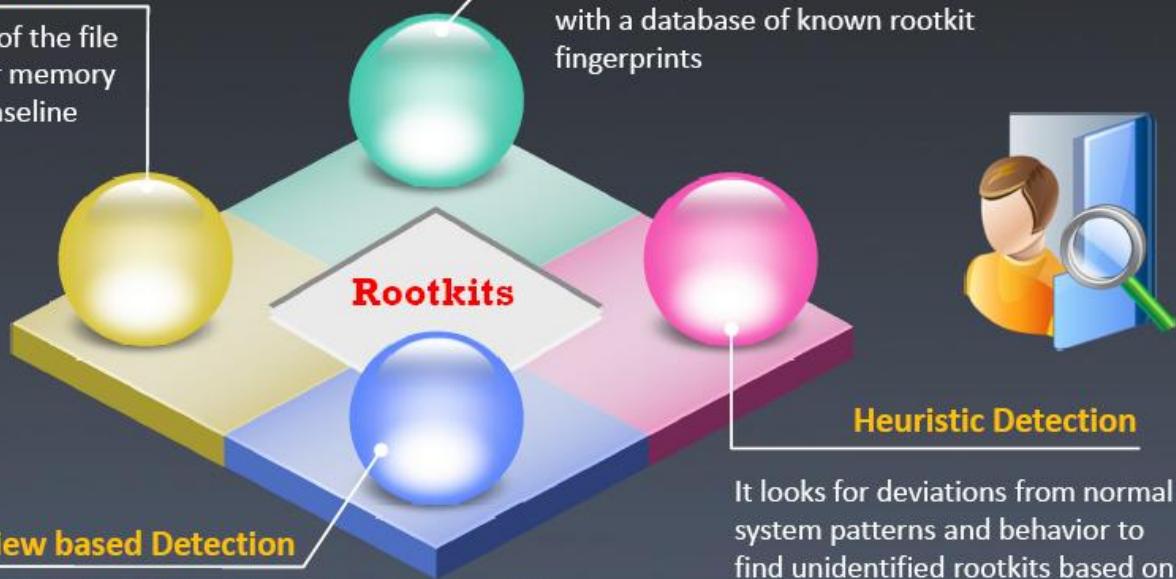
- Hide processes and drivers
- Hide information from user-mode applications and even from kernel-mode modules
- Add privileges to any process token
- Remove to-be-hidden entries from two linked lists with symbolic names

```
C:\temp>fu -pl 30
Process: fu.exe:860
Process: :2153091200
Process: System:4
Process: smss.exe:376
Process: csrss.exe:632
Process: winlogon.exe:664
Process: services.exe:708
Process: lsass.exe:732
Process: svchost.exe:912
Process: svchost.exe:1004
Process: svchost.exe:1092
Process: svchost.exe:1176
Process: svchost.exe:1284
Process: spoolsv.exe:1416
Process: VMwareService.e:1592
Process: alg.exe:2036
Process: explorer.exe:572
Process: wscntfy.exe:580
Process: VMwareTray.exe:920
Process: VMwareUser.exe:1040
Process: ctfmon.exe:1168
Process: cmd.exe:420
Process: taskmgr.exe:816
Total number of processes = 23
```

# Detecting Rootkits

## Integrity Based Detection

It compares a snapshot of the file system, boot records, or memory with a known trusted baseline



## Signature Based Detection

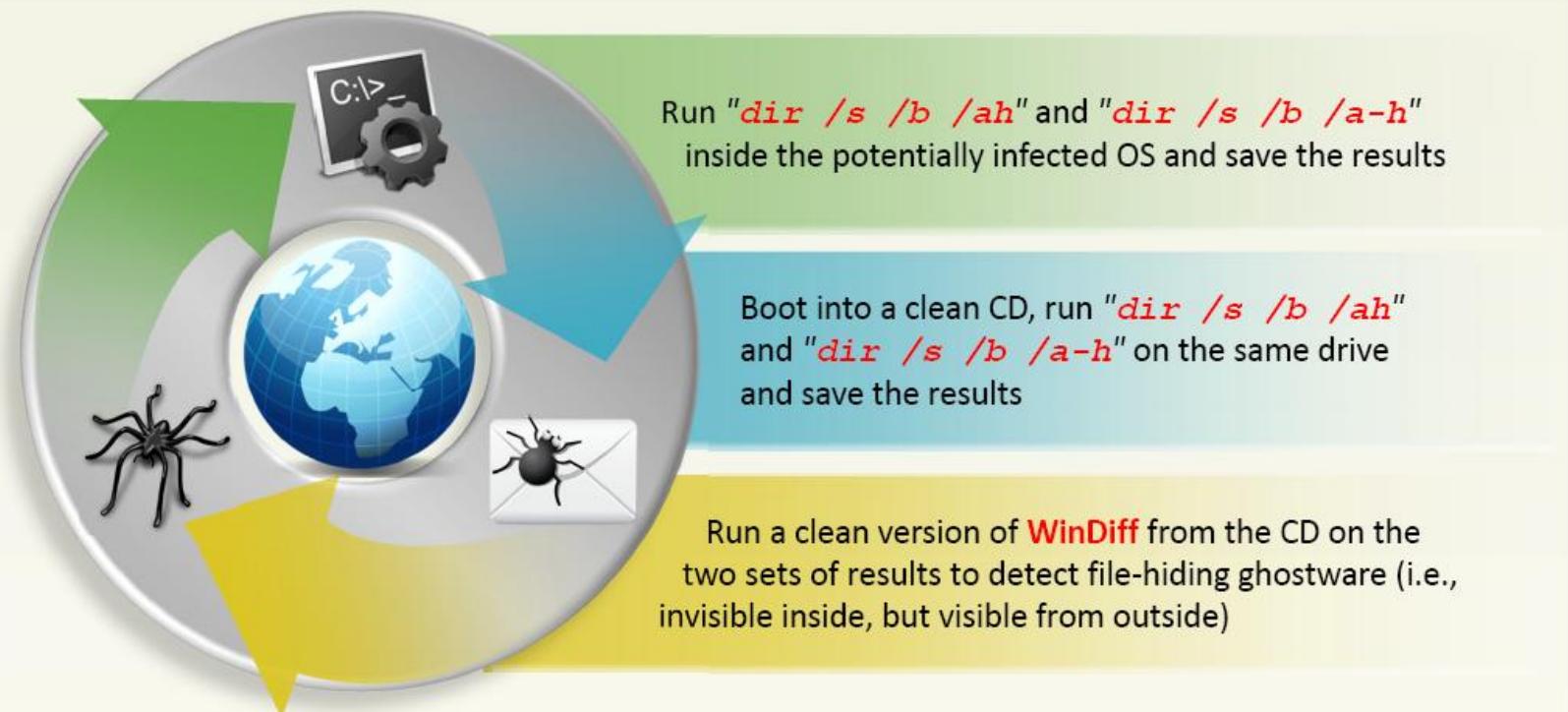
This technique compares characteristics of all system processes and executable files with a database of known rootkit fingerprints



## Heuristic Detection

It looks for deviations from normal system patterns and behavior to find unidentified rootkits based on the execution path hooks it uses

# Steps for Detecting Rootkits



**Note:** There will be some false positives. Also, this does not detect stealth software that hides in BIOS, video card EEPROM, bad disk sectors, Alternate Data Streams, etc.



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# How to Defend against Rootkits?

Reinstall OS/applications from a trusted source after backing up the critical data

Staff with ill-defined responsibilities

Well-documented automated installation procedures need to be kept

Install network and host-based firewalls

Use strong authentication

Store the availability of trusted restoration media

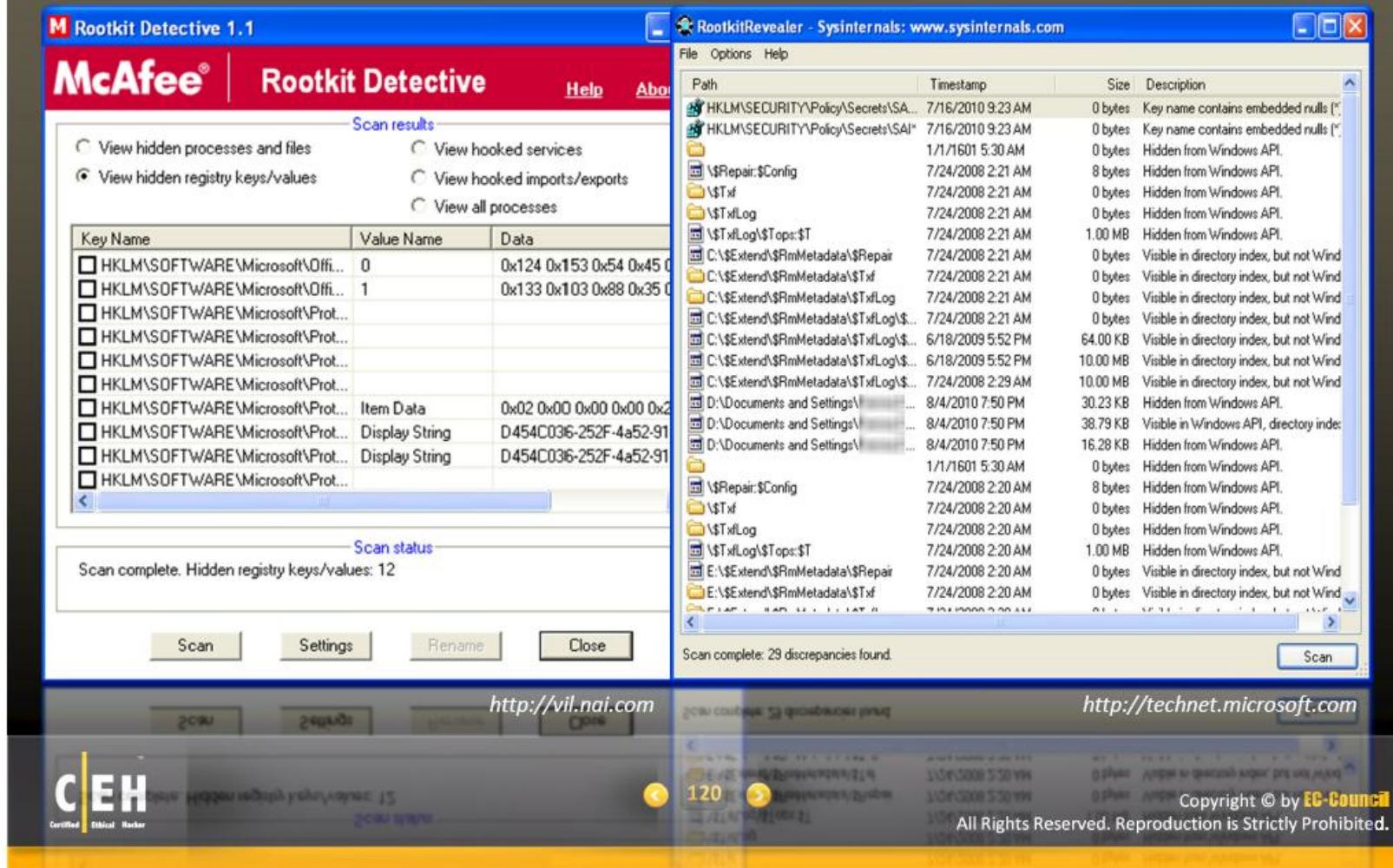
Harden the workstation or server against the attack

Update the patches for operating systems and applications

Update antivirus and anti-spyware software regularly



# Anti-Rootkit: RootkitRevealer and McAfee Rootkit Detective



# Anti-Rootkits



**Sophos Anti-Rootkit**  
<http://www.sophos.com>



**GMER**  
<http://www2.gmer.net>



**F-Secure BackLight**  
<http://www.f-secure.com>



**Trend Micro RootkitBuster**  
<http://downloadcenter.trendmicro.com>



**Avira AntiRootkit Tool**  
<http://www.free-av.com>



**Rootkit Razor**  
<http://www.tizersecure.com>



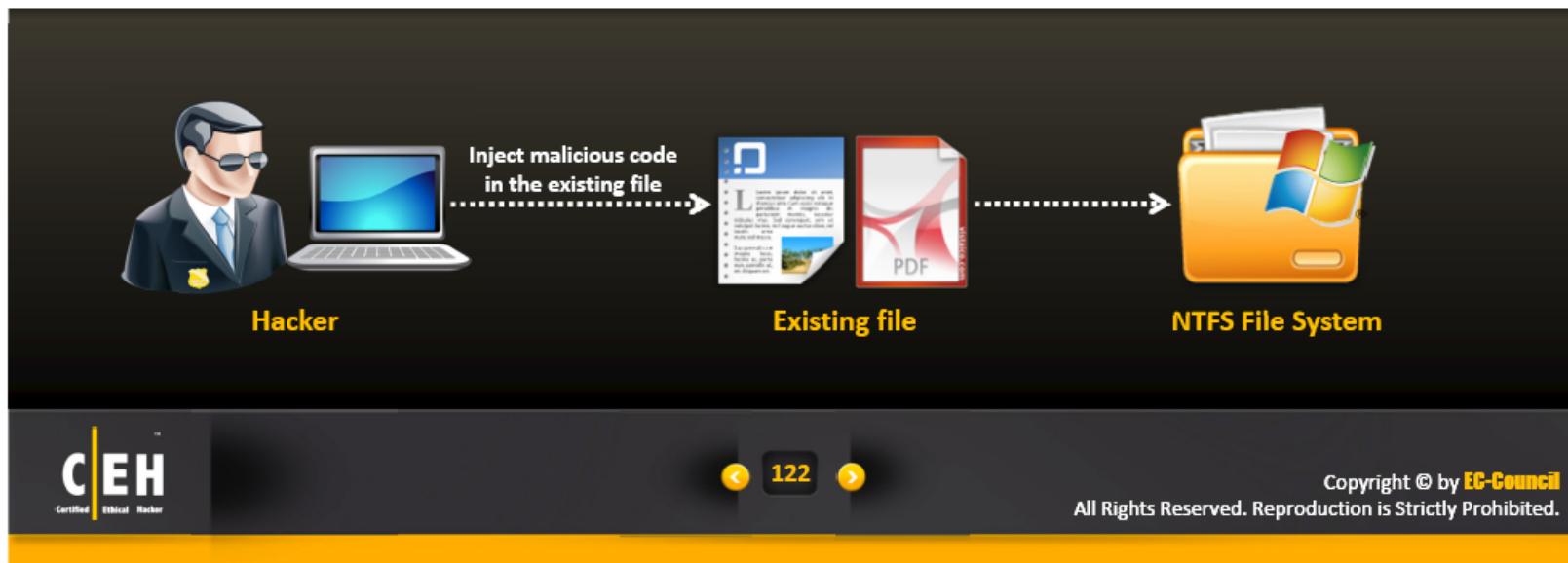
**SanityCheck**  
<http://www.resplendence.com>



**RemoveAny**  
<http://heavenward.ru>

# NTFS Data Stream

- NTFS Alternate Data Stream (ADS) is a **Windows hidden stream** which contains metadata for the file such as attributes, word count, author name, and access and modification time of the files
- ADS is the ability to **fork data into existing files** without changing or altering their functionality, size, or display to file browsing utilities
- ADS allows an attacker to **inject malicious code** on a breached system and executes them without being detected by the user



# How to Create NTFS Streams?

Notepad is stream compliant application



1 Launch `c:\>notepad myfile.txt:lion.txt`

Click 'Yes' to create the new file and type 10 lines of data  
Save the file



2 Launch `c:\>notepad myfile.txt:tiger.txt`

Click 'Yes' to create the new file and type  
other 20 lines of text  
Save the file



3 View the file size of `myfile.txt`  
(It should be zero)



4 To modify the stream data, open document  
`'myfile.txt:tiger.txt'` in notepad



# NTFS Stream Manipulation



Location c:\

Trojan.exe (size: 2 MB)

Move the contents of

Trojan.exe to Readme.txt

Location c:\



Readme.txt (size: 0)

To **move** the contents of Trojan.exe to Readme.txt (stream):

```
C:\> type c:\Trojan.exe > c:\Readme.txt:Trojan.exe
```

To **execute** the Trojan.exe inside the Readme.txt (stream):

```
C:\> start c:\Readme.txt:Trojan.exe
```

To **extract** the Trojan.exe from the Readme.txt (stream):

```
C:\> cat c:\Readme.txt:Trojan.exe > Trojan.exe
```

**Note:** Cat is a Windows 2003 Resource Kit Utility



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# How to Defend against NTFS Streams?

Deleting a stream file involves copying the **front file** to a **FAT partition** and then copying it back to NTFS



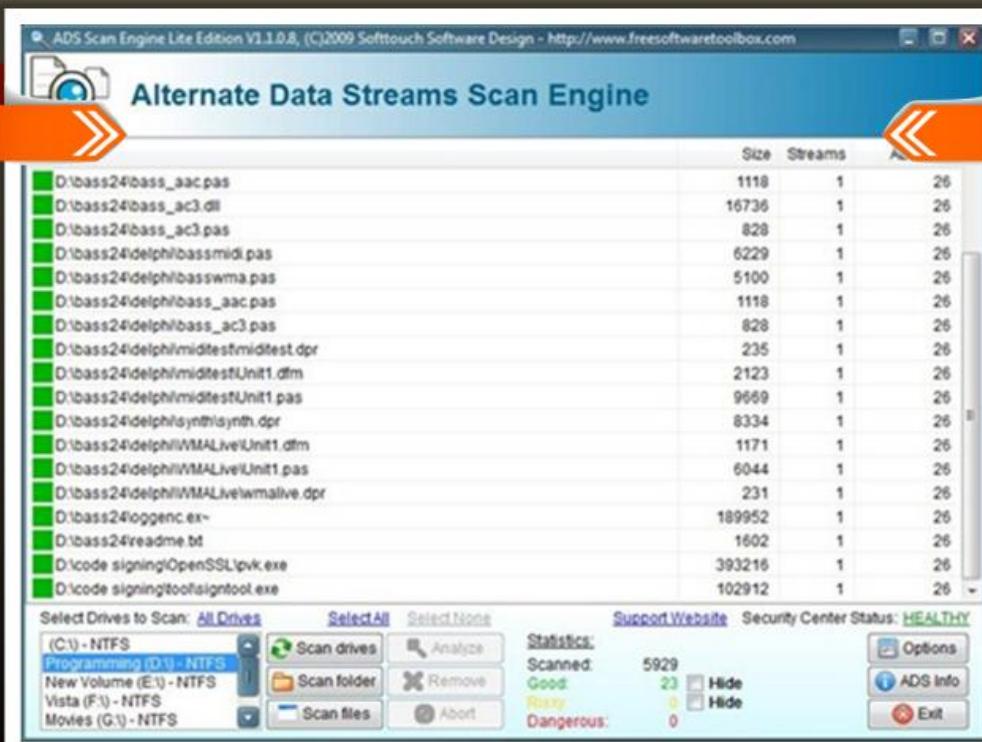
Streams are lost when the file is moved to the **FAT Partition**



LNS.exe from (<http://ntsecurity.nu/cgi-bin/download/lns.exe.pl>) can detect streams



# NTFS Stream Detector: ADS Scan Engine



<http://www.freesoftwaretoolbox.com>

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# NTFS Stream Detectors



ADS Spy  
<http://www.merijn.nu>



LADS  
<http://www.heysoft.de>



NTFS Streams Info  
<http://www.isgeo.kiev.ua>



ADS Locator  
<http://www.safer-networking.org>



List NTFS Streams (LNS)  
<http://www.ntsecurity.nu>



StreamArmor  
<http://www.rootkitanalytics.com>



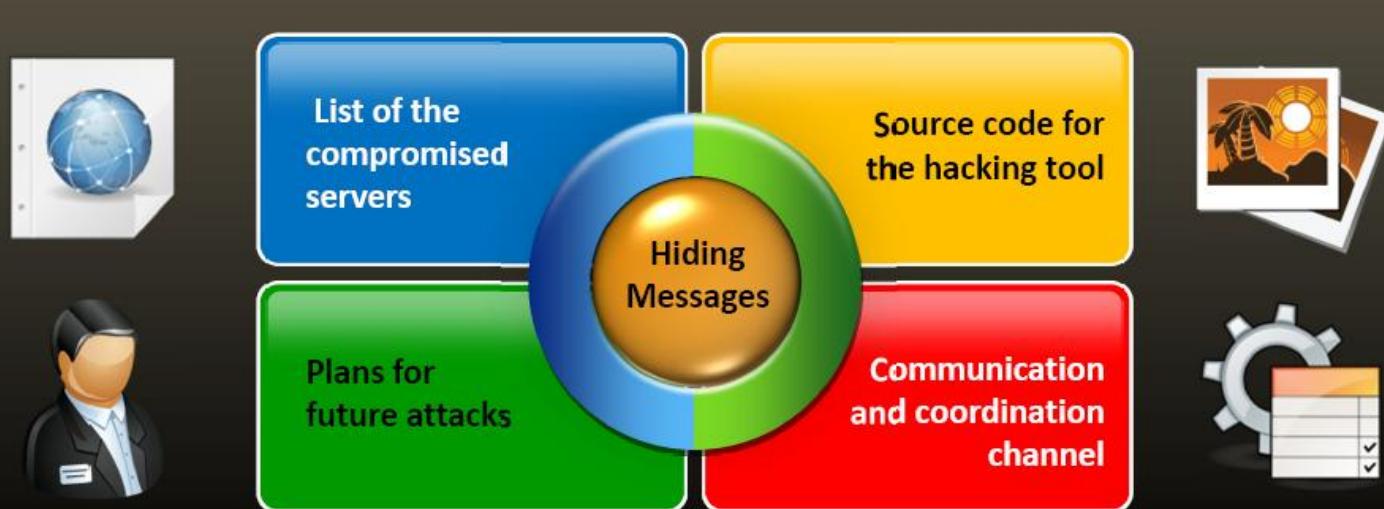
Streams  
<http://technet.microsoft.com>



ADS Manager  
<http://dmitrybrant.com>

# What is Steganography?

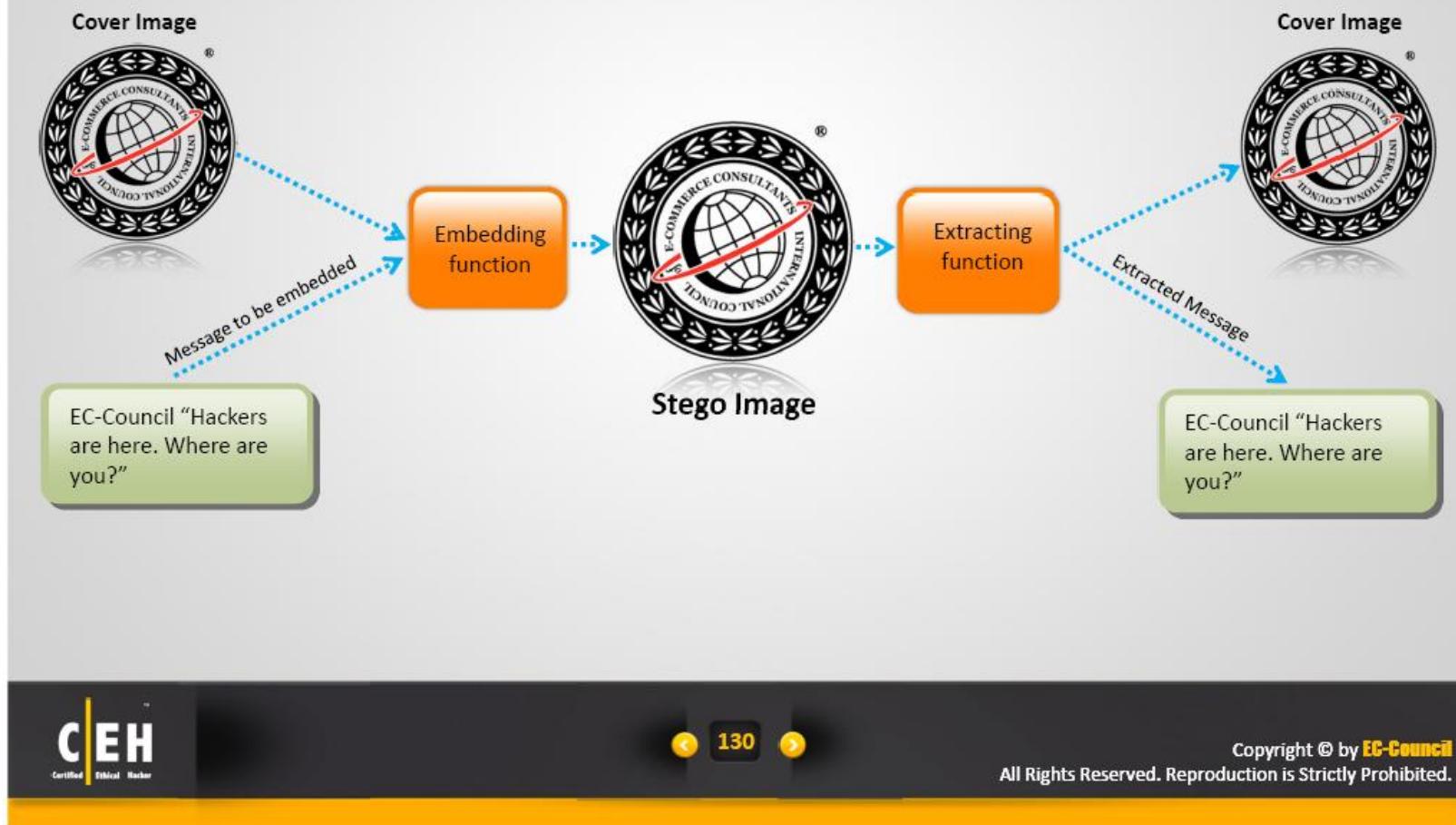
- Steganography is a technique of **hiding a secret message** within an ordinary message and **extracting it at the destination** to maintain confidentiality of data
- **Utilizing a graphic image as a cover** is the most popular method to conceal the data in files



# Steganography Techniques



# How Steganography Works?



# Types of Steganography



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# Whitespace Steganography Tool: SNOW

1. The program snow is used to conceal messages in **ASCII text** by appending whitespace to the end of lines
2. Because spaces and tabs are generally not visible in **text viewers**, the message is effectively hidden from casual observers
3. If the **built-in encryption** is used, the message cannot be read even if it is detected

The screenshot shows a Windows Command Prompt window titled 'cmd D:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe'. The user has run two commands:

```
D:\>Documents and Settings\... \Desktop>snow -C -m "Meeting at 5PM" -p "passtest" insnow.txt outsnow.txt  
Compressed by 31.25%  
Message exceeded available space by approximately 220.83%.  
An extra 2 lines were added.  
  
D:\>Documents and Settings\... \Desktop>snow -C -p "passtest" outsnow.txt  
Meeting at 5PM  
D:\>Documents and Settings\... \Desktop>
```

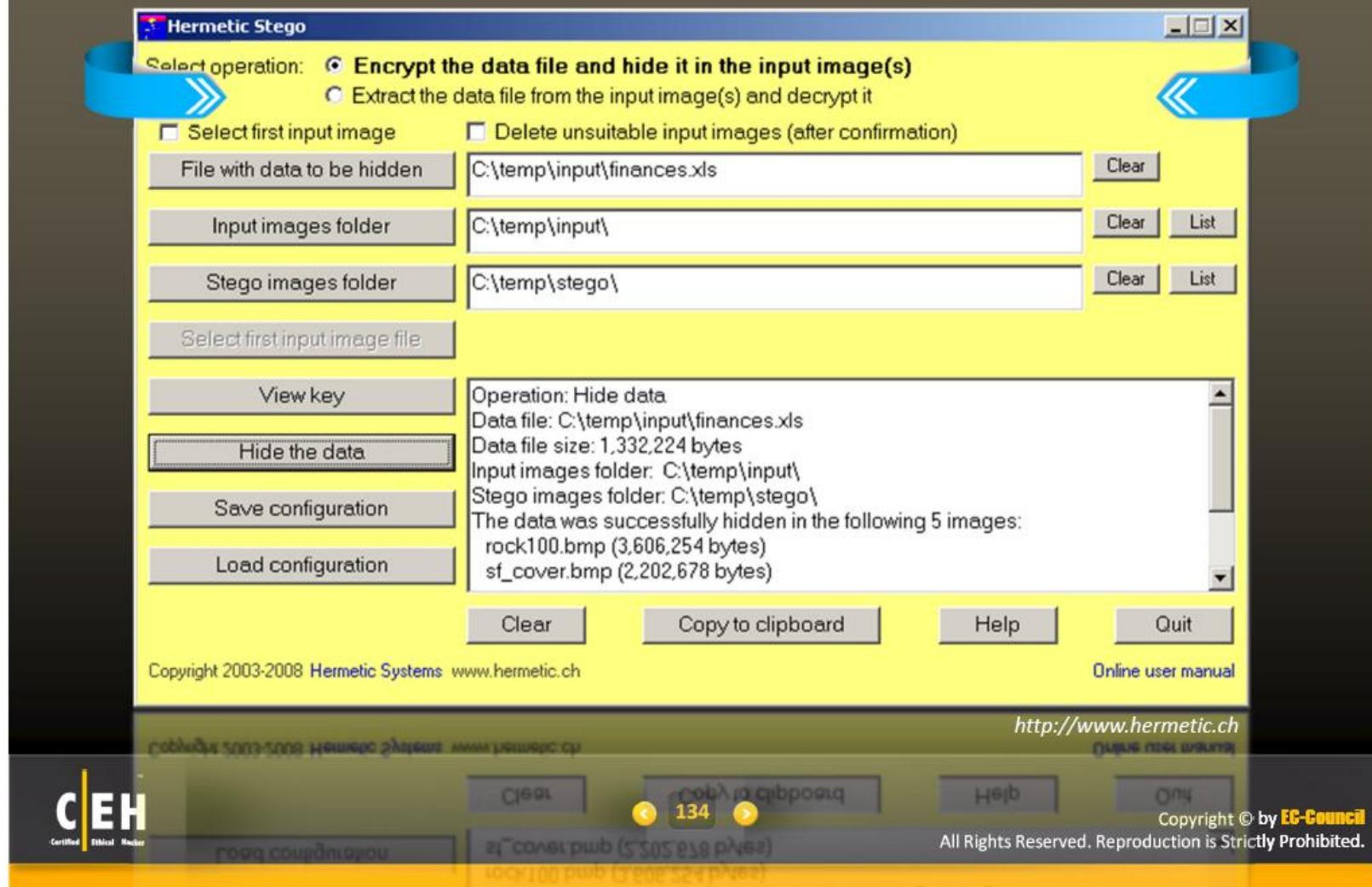
Below the command prompt, there is a watermark URL: <http://www.darkside.com.au>. At the bottom of the slide, there is a footer bar with the CEH logo, a page number (132), and copyright information: 'Copyright © by EC-Council All Rights Reserved. Reproduction is Strictly Prohibited.'

# Image Steganography

- In image steganography, the **information is hidden in image** files of different formats such as .PNG, .JPG, .BMP, etc.
- Image steganography tools **replace redundant bits of image** data with the message in such a way that the effect can not be detected by human eyes



# Image Steganography: Hermetic Stego



# Image Steganography Tools



**ImageHide**  
<http://www.dancemammal.com>



**QuickStego**  
<http://www.quickcrypto.com>



**gifshuffle**  
<http://www.darkside.com.au>



**OutGuess**  
<http://www.outguess.org>



**Contraband**  
<http://jthz.com>



**Camera/Shy**  
<http://sourceforge.net>

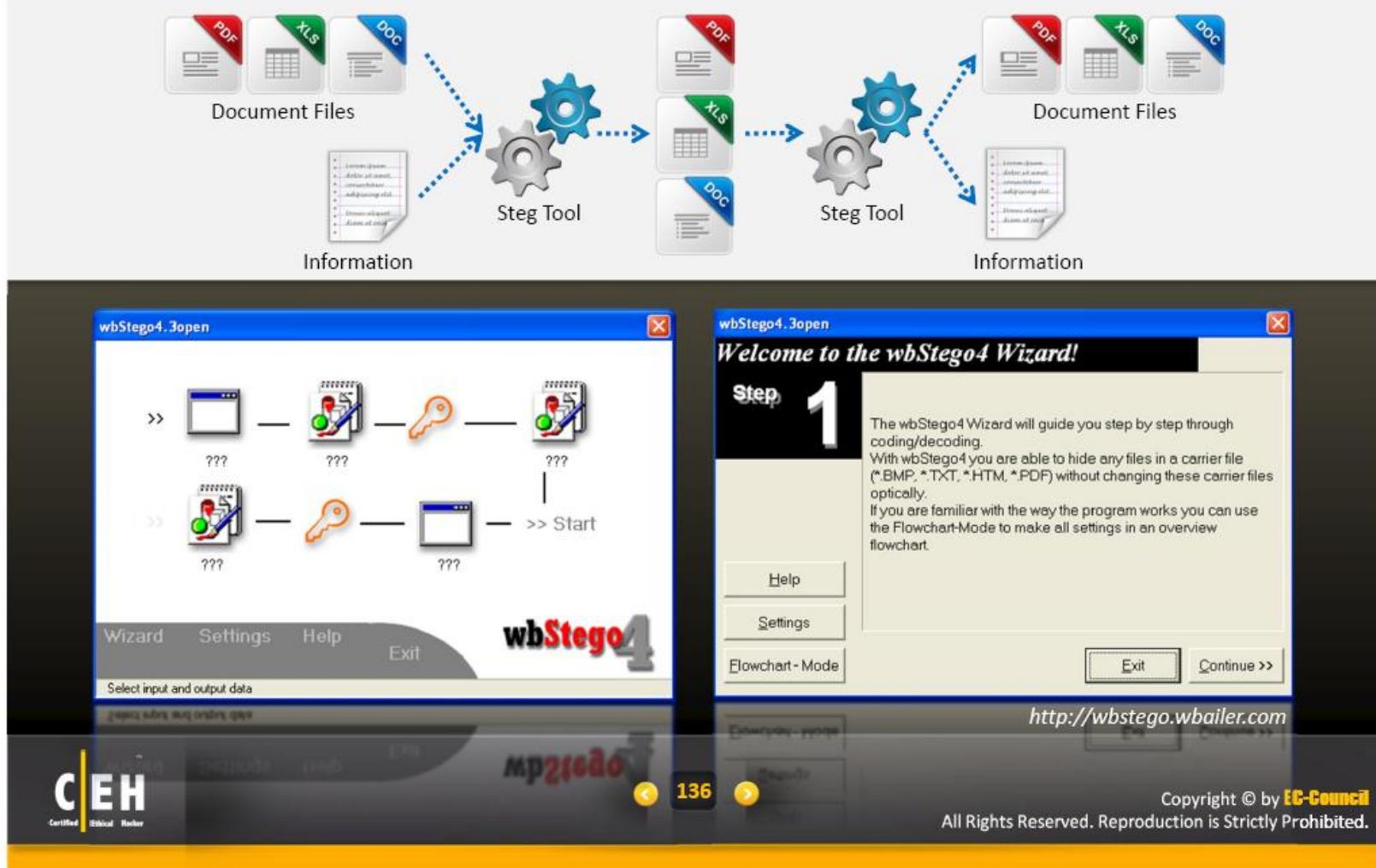


**JPHIDE and JPSEEK**  
<http://nixbit.com>



**StegaNote**  
<http://www.planetsourcecode.com>

# Document Steganography: wbStego



# Document Steganography Tools



Merge Streams  
<http://www.ntkernel.com>



Office XML  
<http://www.irongeek.com>



CryptArkan  
<http://www.kuskov.com>



Data Stash  
<http://www.skyjuicesoftware.com>



Foxhole  
<http://foxhole.sourceforge.net>



Xidie Security Suite  
<http://www.stegano.ro>



StegParty  
<http://www.fasterlight.com>



Hydan  
<http://www.crazyboy.com>

# Video Steganography Tools



**Masker**  
<http://www.softpuls.com>



**MSU StegoVideo**  
<http://compression.ru>



**Max File Encryption**  
<http://www.softenza.com>



**BDV DataHider**  
<http://www.bdvnnotepad.com>



**Xiao Steganography**  
<http://xiao-steganography.en.softonic.com>



**CHAOS Universal**  
<http://safechaos.com>



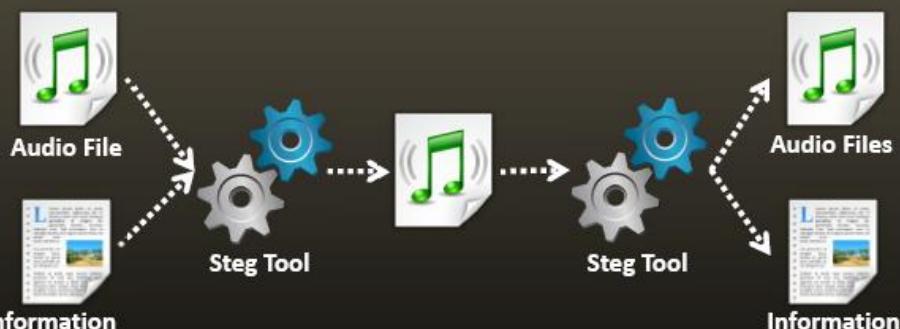
**RT Steganography**  
<http://sourceforge.net>



**OmniHide PRO**  
<http://omnihide.com>

# Audio Steganography: Mp3stegz

Audio steganography refers to hiding a secret information in **audio** files such as .MP3, .RM, .WAV, etc.



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# Audio Steganography Tools



**MAXA Security Tools**  
<http://www.maxa-tools.com>



**Stealth Files**  
<http://www.froebis.com>



**audiostegano**  
<http://www.mathworks.com>



**BitCrypt**  
<http://bitcrypt.moshe-szweizer.com>



**MP3Stego**  
<http://www.petitcolas.net>



**Steghide**  
<http://steghide.sourceforge.net>



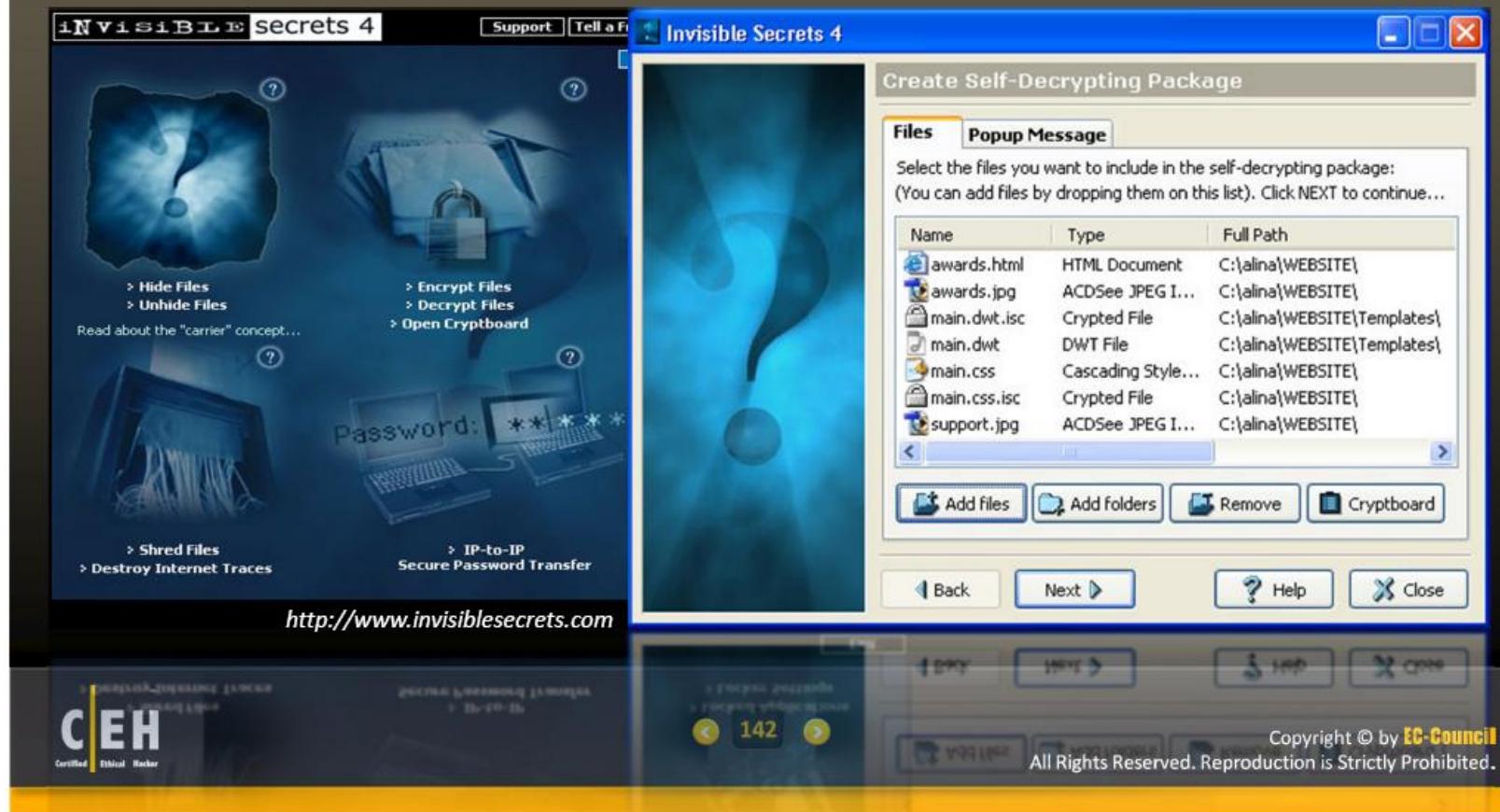
**Hide4PGP**  
<http://www.heinz-repp.onlinehome.de>



**CHAOS Universal**  
<http://safechaos.com>

# Folder Steganography: Invisible Secrets 4

Folder steganography refers to hiding a secret information in **folders**



# Folder Steganography Tools



**StegoStick**  
<http://stegostick.sourceforge.net>



**QuickCrypto**  
<http://www.quickcrypto.com>



**Max Folder Secure**  
<http://www.maxfoldersecure.com>



**WinMend Folder Hidden**  
<http://www.winmend.com>



**PSM Encryptor**  
<http://www.powersoftmakers.com>



**XPTools**  
<http://www.xptools.net>



**Universal Shield**  
<http://www.everstrike.com>



**Hide My Files**  
<http://www.secretfilesoftware.com>

# Spam/Email Steganography: Spam Mimic

Spam steganography refers to hiding information in **spam messages**

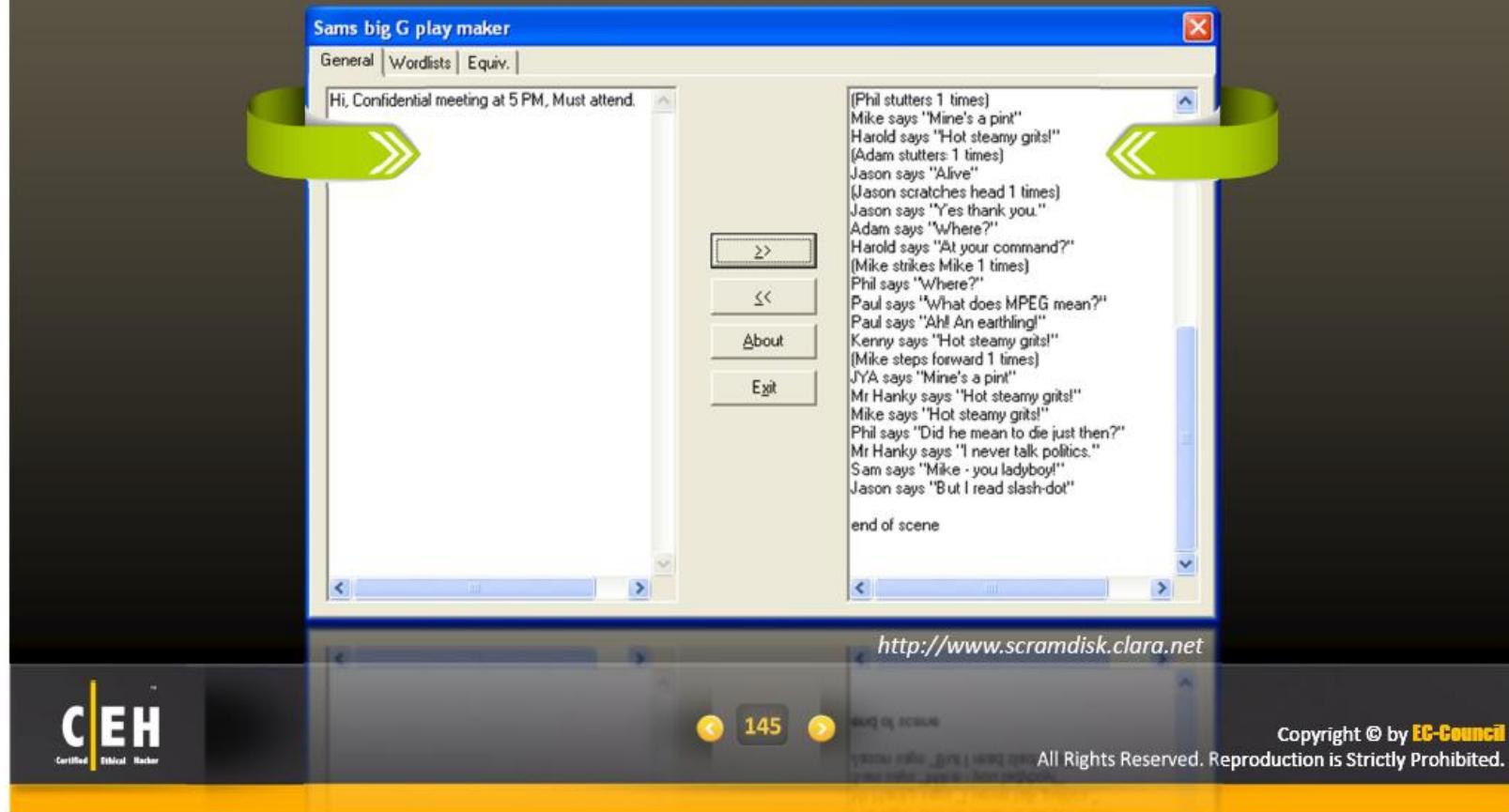
The screenshot shows two main pages of the Spammimic website:

- Encode Page:** Features the "spam mimic" logo. A text input field contains "Hi, I am John". Below it is an "Encode" button. A list of alternate encodings includes "Encode as spam with a password", "Encode as fake PGP", "Encode as fake Russian", and "Encode as space". Navigation links at the bottom include "home", "encode", "decode", "explanation", "credits", "faq & feedback".
- Encoded Page:** Titled "Encoded", it displays the encoded message: "Your message Hi, I am John gets encoded into spam as: Dear Friend , Especially for you - this breath-taking news ! If you no longer wish to receive our publications simply reply with a Subject: of "REMOVE" and you will immediately be removed from our database . This mail is being sent in compliance with Senate bill 1622 ; Title 4 , Section 302 . This is not a get rich scheme ! Why work for somebody else when you can become rich inside 68 days . Have you ever noticed most everyone has a cellphone and how many people you know are on the Internet . Well, now is your chance to capitalize on this . We will help you decrease perceived waiting time by 170% plus increase customer response by 170% ! You can begin at absolutely no cost to you . But don't believe us . Prof Jones of Washington tried us and says "My only problem now is where to park all my cars" ! This offer is 100% legal ! For the sake of your family order now ! Sign up a friend and you'll get a discount of 50% ! Thanks !" Below this is a "Decode" button.

At the bottom of the page, there is a banner for "Certified Ethical Hacker" (CEH) with the URL <http://www.spammimic.com>. The banner also includes the EC-Council logo and the text "Copyright © by EC-Council All Rights Reserved. Reproduction is Strictly Prohibited."

# Natural Text Steganography: Sams Big G Play Maker

Natural text steganography programs convert sensitive information in to a **user-definable free speech** such as a play



# Steganalysis

Steganalysis is the art of discovering and rendering covert messages using steganography



Suspect information stream may or may not have encoded hidden data

Efficient and accurate detection of hidden content within digital images

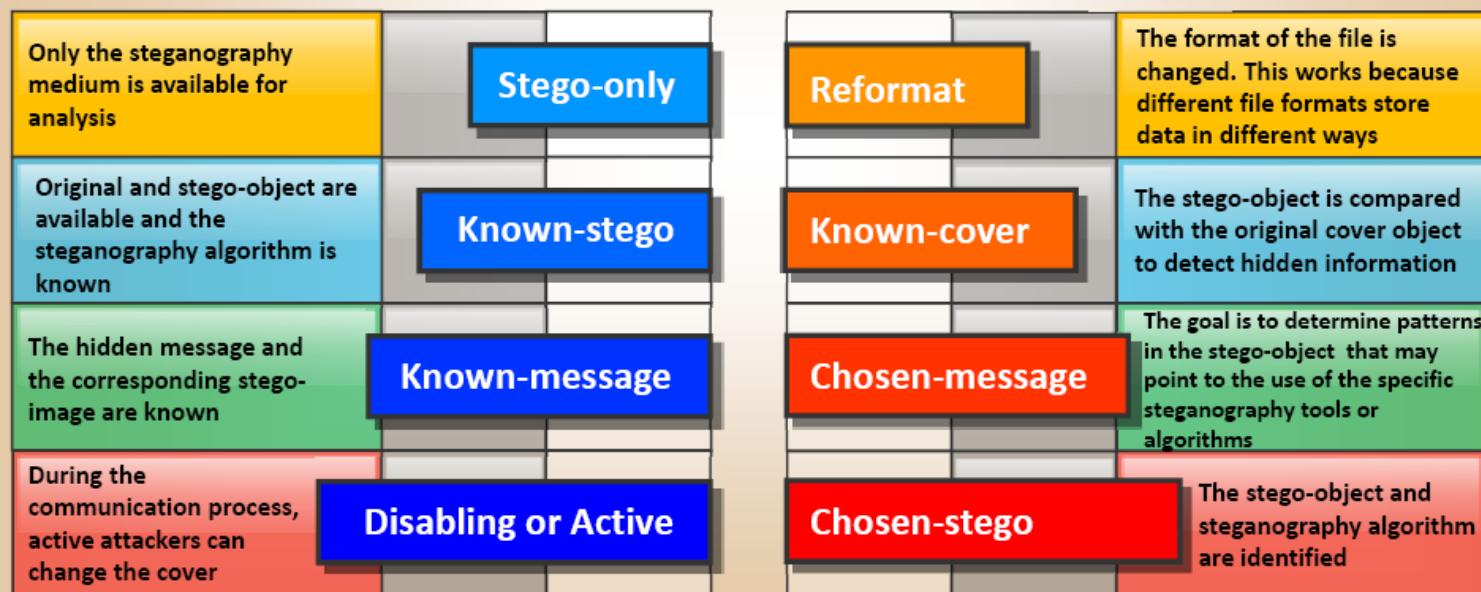


Some of the suspect signals or files may have irrelevant data or noise encoded into them

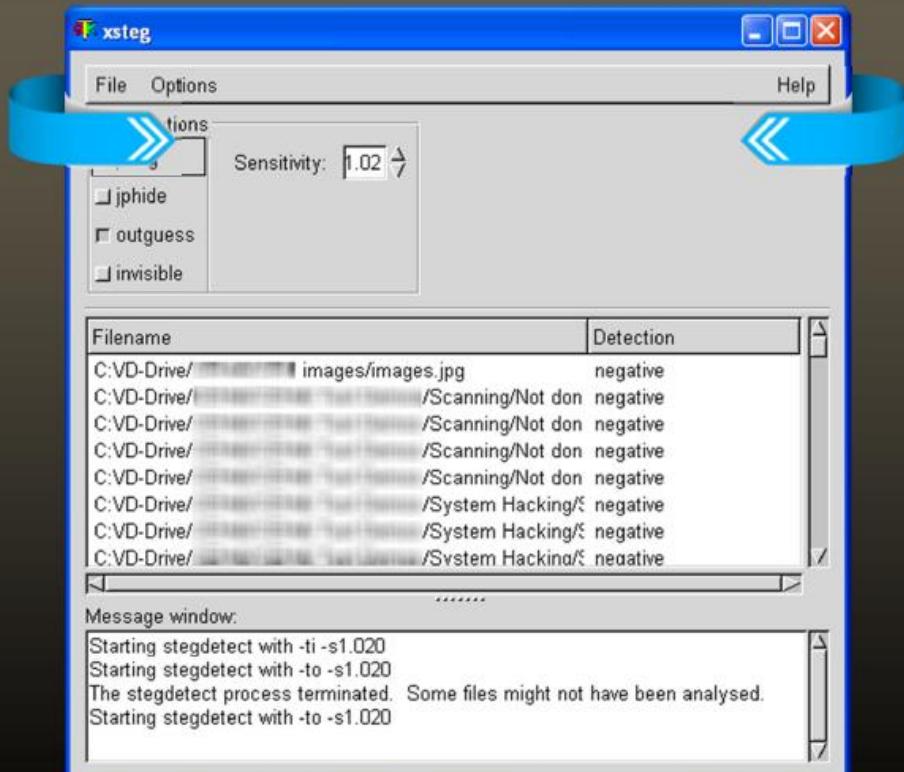
Encrypts the hidden data before inserted into a file or signal



# Steganalysis Methods/Attacks on Steganography



# Steganography Detection Tool: Stegdetect



<http://www.outguess.org>



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# Steganography Detection Tools



**Xstegsecret**  
<http://stegsecret.sourceforge.net>



**StegSpy**  
<http://www.spy-hunter.com>



**Stego Watch**  
<http://www.wetstonetech.com>



**Gargoyle Investigator™  
Forensic Pro**  
<http://www.wetstonetech.com>



**StegAlyzerAS**  
<http://www.sarc-wv.com>



**StegAlyzerSS**  
<http://www.sarc-wv.com>



**StegAlyzerRTS**  
<http://www.sarc-wv.com>



**StegMark**  
<http://www.datamark.com.sg>

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# Why Cover Tracks?



# Covering Tracks

Once intruders have successfully **gained administrator access on a system**, they will try to cover the tracks to avoid their detection



Gained administrator access



Target User



Hacker

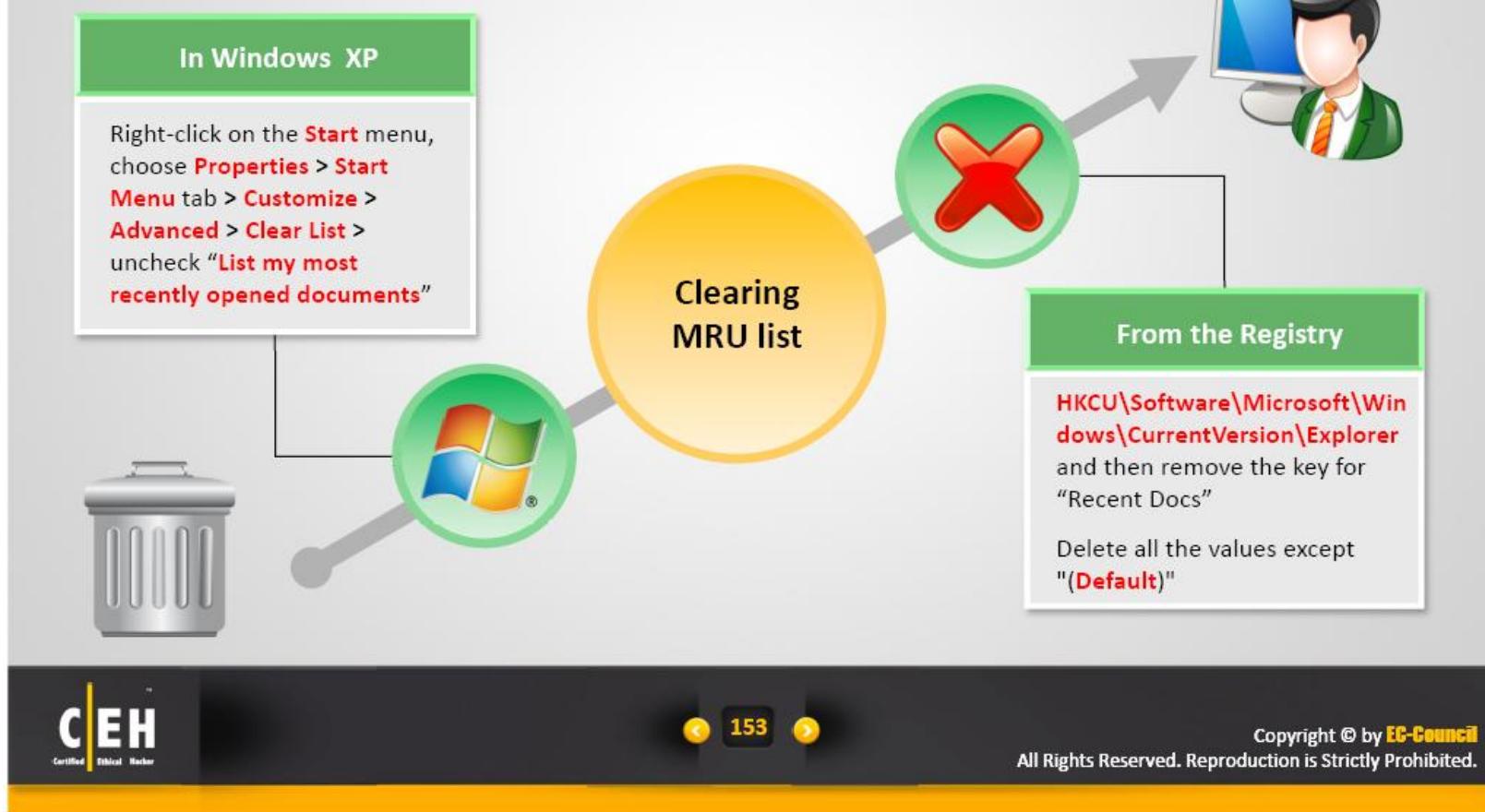
Install backdoors



When all the information of interest has been stripped off from the target, the intruder installs **several backdoors** so that he or she can gain easy access in the future

# Ways to Clear Online Tracks

Remove Most Recently Used (MRU), delete cookies, clear cache, turn off AutoComplete, clear Toolbar data from the browsers



# Disabling Auditing: Auditpol

- Intruders will **disable auditing** immediately after gaining administrator privileges
- At the end of their stay, the intruders will just turn on auditing again using auditpol.exe



```
D:\>auditpol.exe /enable
Running ...
Local audit information changed successfully ...
New local audit policy ...

<0> Audit Enabled

AuditCategorySystem      = No
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AuditCategoryPrivilegeUse = No
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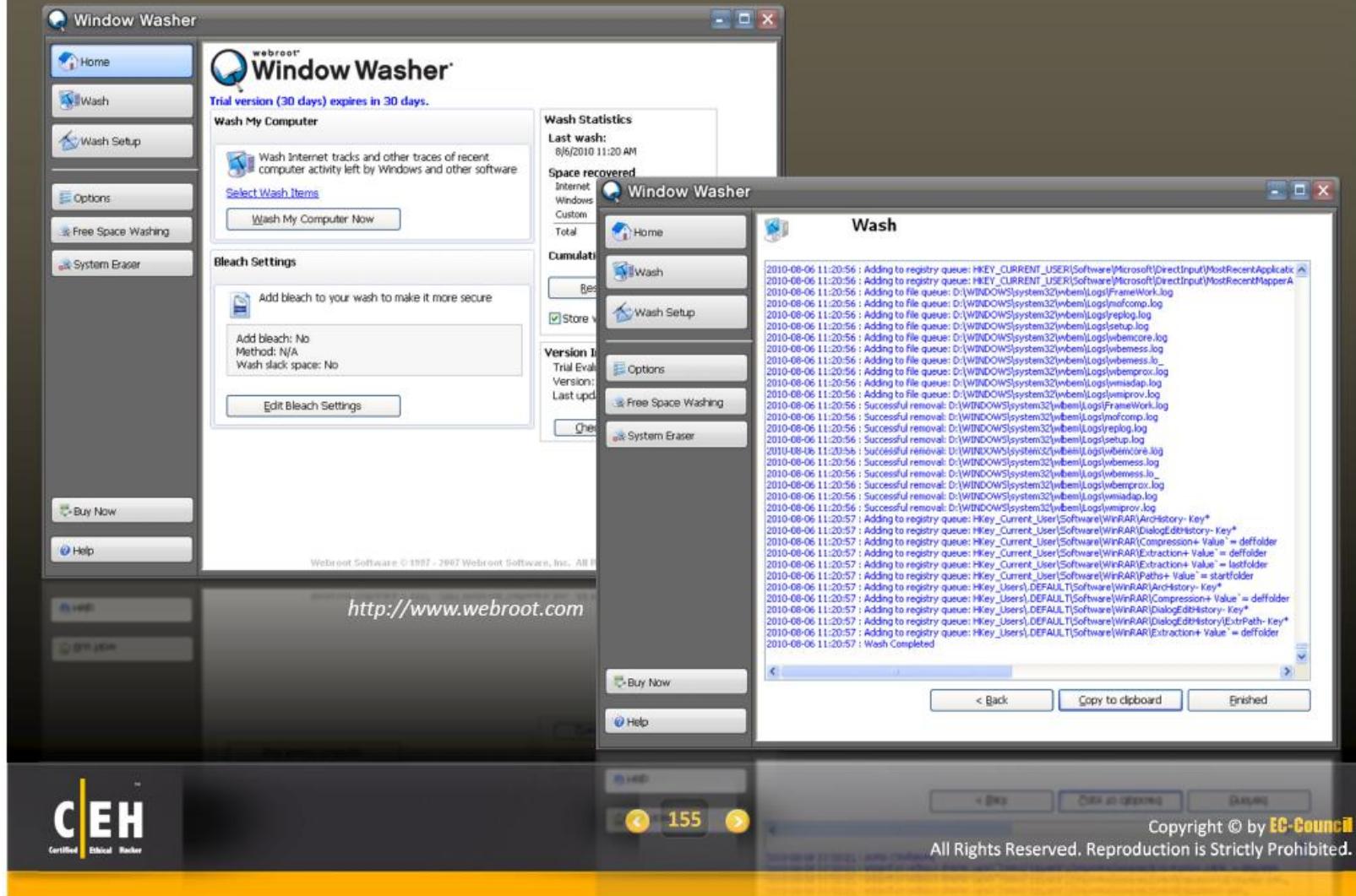
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<http://www.microsoft.com>

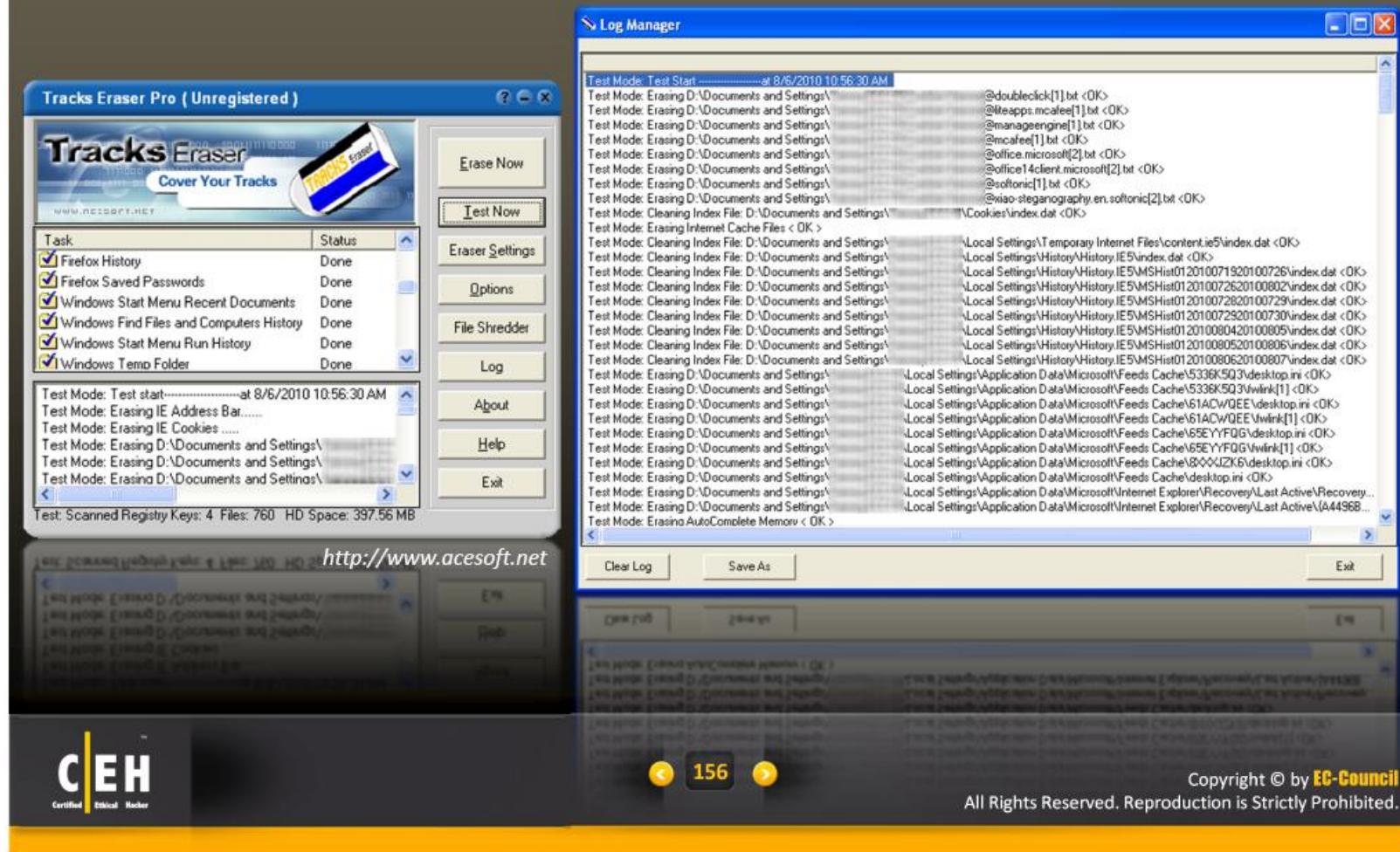
# Covering Tracks Tool: Window Washer



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# Covering Tracks Tool: Tracks Eraser Pro



# Track Covering Tools



**Evidence Eliminator**  
<http://www.evidence-eliminator.com>



**Armor Tools**  
<http://www.armortools.com>



**Clear My History**  
<http://www.hide-my-ip.com>



**EvidenceEraser**  
<http://www.evidenceeraser.com>



**Traceless**  
<http://www.nonags.com>



**WinZapper**  
<http://ntsecurity.nu>

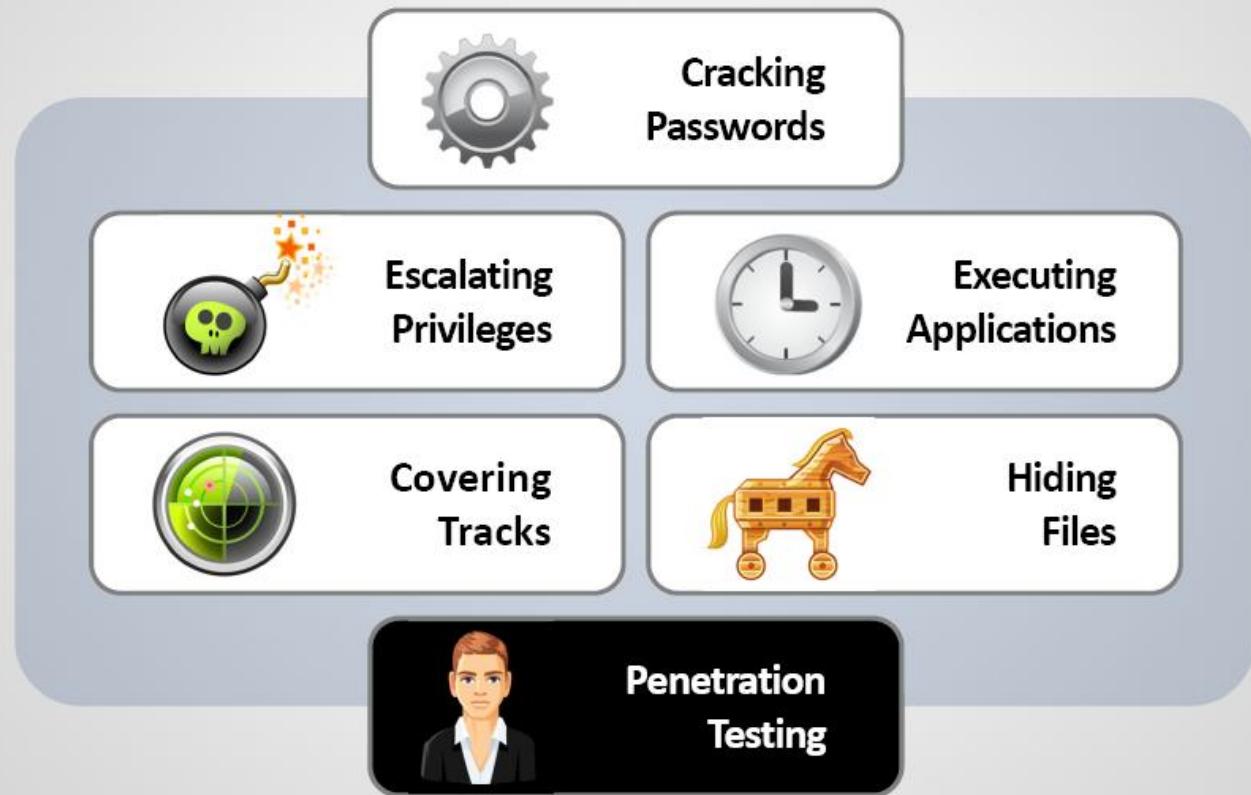


**ZeroTracks**  
<http://www.kleinsoft.co.za>



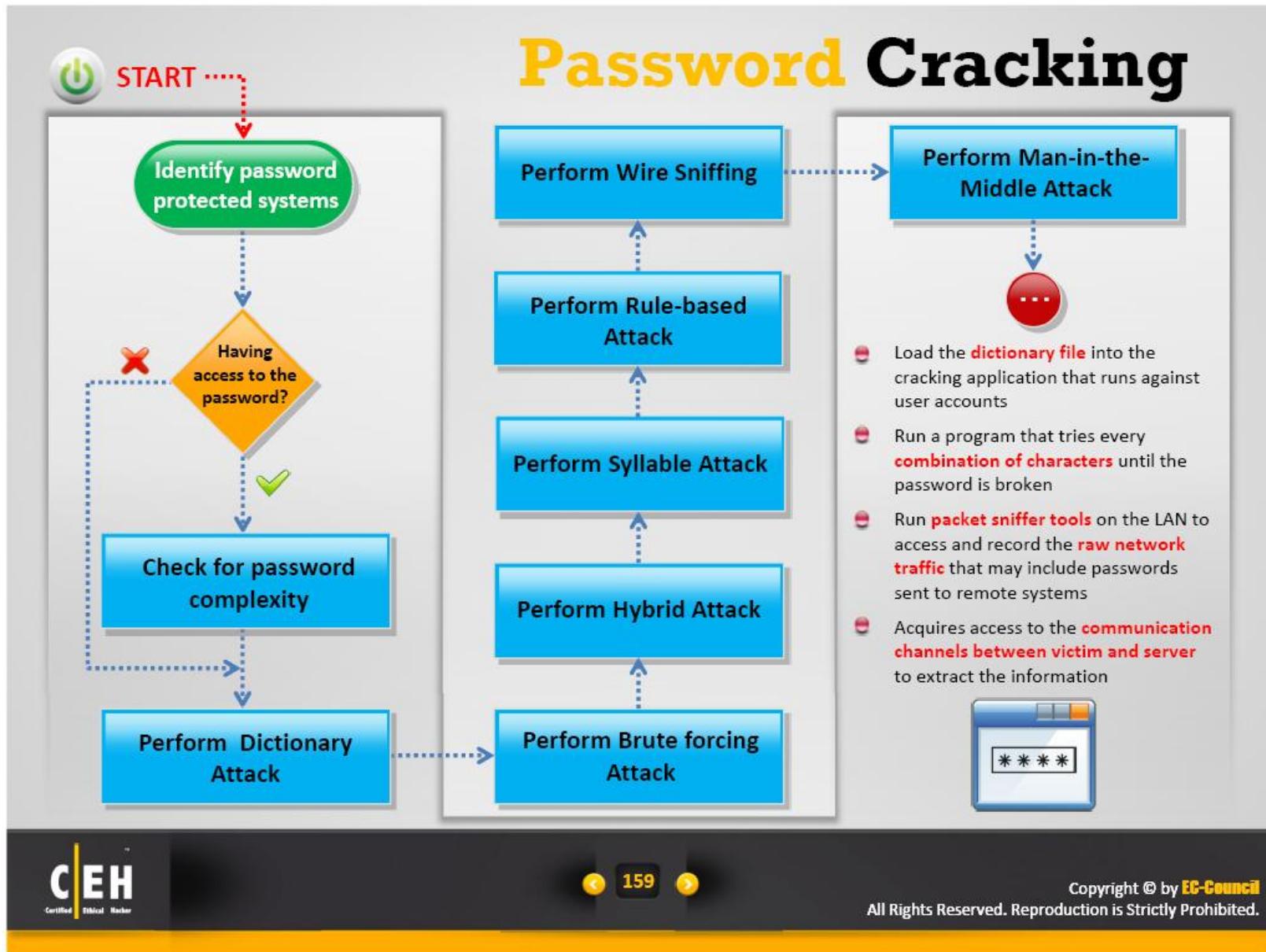
**WinTools.net Ultimate**  
<http://www.wintools.net>

# CEH System Hacking Steps

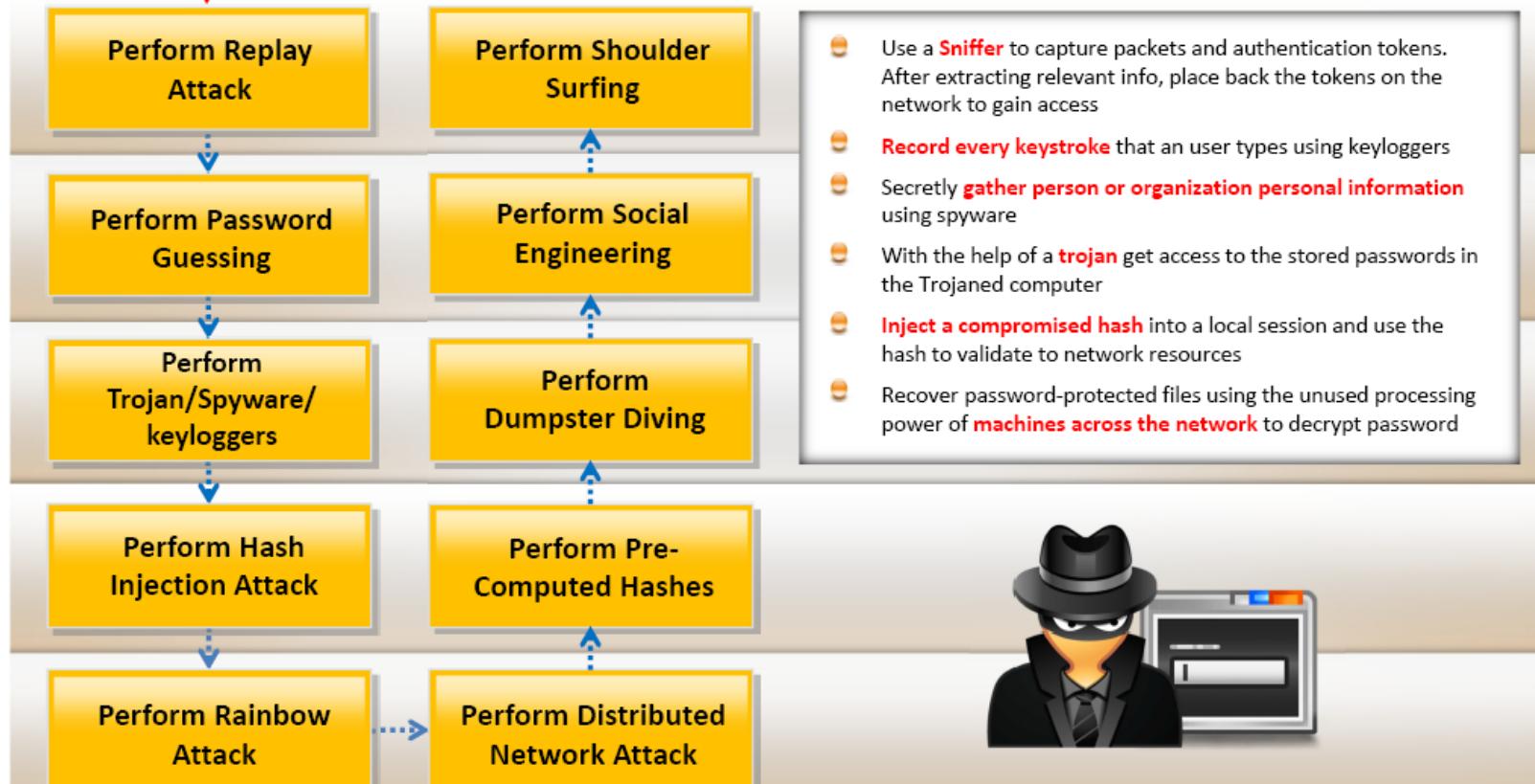


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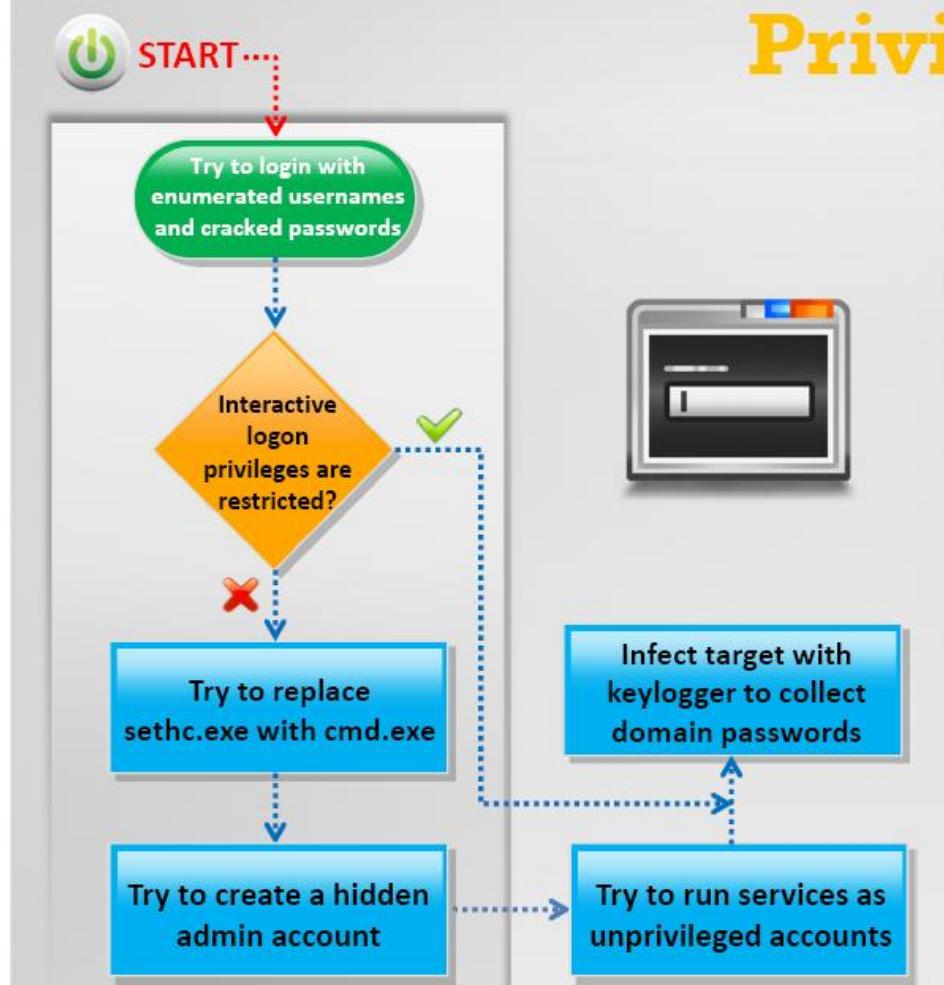
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# Password Cracking



# Privilege Escalation



- Replace the `sethc.exe` which is responsible for the sticky key dialog, with `cmd.exe`, and then call `sethc.exe` by pressing shift key 5 times at logon screen to get the command prompt with administrator privileges
- Use **privilege escalation tools** such as Active@ Password Changer, Passware Password Recovery Kit, Password Unlocker Bundle, ElcomSoft System Recovery, etc.

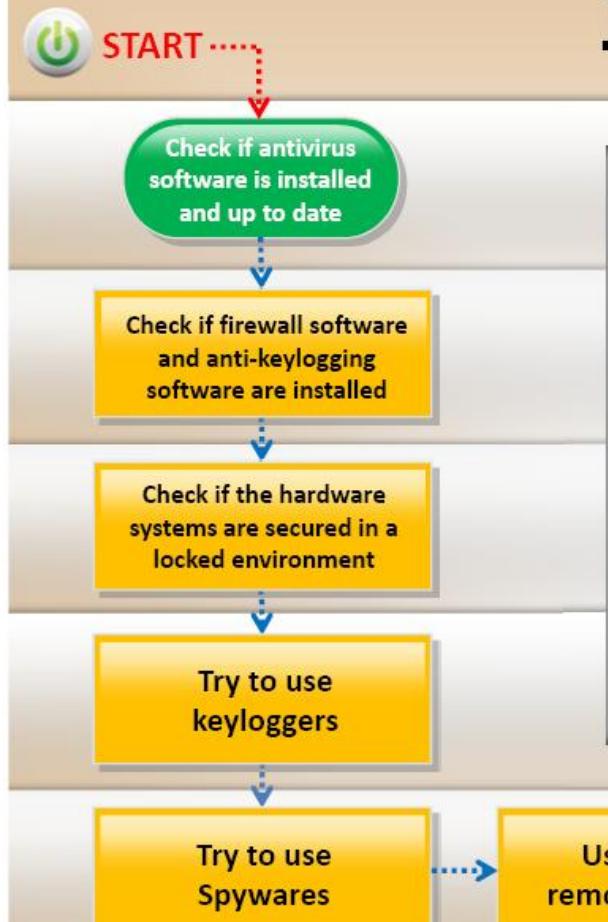


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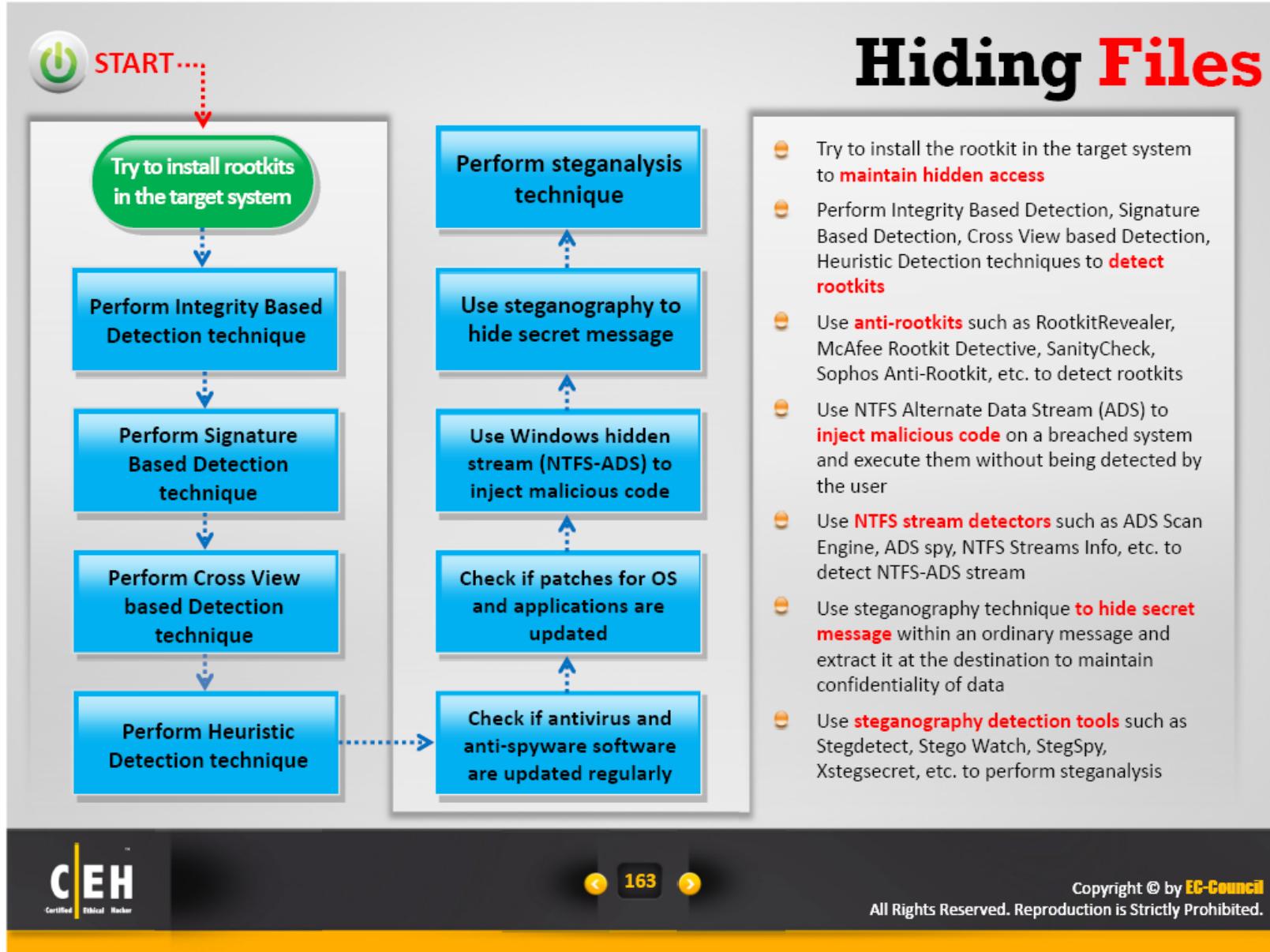
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# Executing Applications



- Use **keyloggers** such as Advanced Keylogger, Spytech SpyAgent, Perfect Keylogger, Powered Keylogger, etc.
- Use **spywares** such as Robo Nanny, Stealth Recorder Pro, Net Video Spy, WebcamMagic, Mobile Spy, etc.



# Covering Tracks



- Remove **web activity tracks** such as MRU, cookies, cache, temporary files and history
- Disable auditing using tool such as **Auditpol**
- Tamper log files such as event log files, server log files and proxy log files by **log poisoning or log flooding**
- Use track covering tools such as Windows Washer, Tracks Eraser Pro, Evidence Eliminator, Clear My History, etc.

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# Module Summary



- ❑ Attackers use a variety of means to penetrate systems
- ❑ Password guessing and cracking is one of the first steps
- ❑ Password sniffing is a preferred eavesdropping tactic
- ❑ Vulnerability scanning aids the attacker in identifying which password cracking technique to use
- ❑ Key stroke logging and other spyware tools are used as they gain entry to systems to keep up the attacks
- ❑ Invariably, attackers destroy evidence of “having been there and done the damage”
- ❑ Stealing files as well as hiding files are the means to sneak out sensitive information

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# Quotes

“ A lot of hacking is playing with other people, you know, getting them to do strange things. ”

- **Steve Wozniak,**  
Computer Engineer and  
Co-founder, Apple  
Computer, Inc.



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# Video Steganography: Our Secret

In video steganography, the **information is hidden in video** files of different formats such as .AVI, .MPG4, .WMV, etc.

