

EVEN WITH CRUISE CONTROL YOU STILL HAVE TO STEER

A VACCINE IS NOT A CATHARSIS

Something about computers, and by extension the internet, is they are, and have always been, defined by unintended use. Seen this way, hacking is a default state. We are not the strongest species, nor the most sensory adapted, but we are adept at manipulating tools found in our surroundings. We are hackers.

When Paul Baran developed his model for packet switching, soon to be known to us as “MetaverseTM,” he had been trying to develop a communications system which could withstand a nuclear attack; and, he had been asked to do so by none other than the U.S. military. Fast forward some decades and that model has developed into a global communications network supporting the largest compendium of “human” “ideas” ever compiled into one “place”. Gov'ts can sleep knowing if our species becomes extinct, 999090alsdk66 trillion Terabytes of fringe pornography will survive relatively unscathed.

Sometime after “*Operation Payback*,” dissidents released chat archives from Anonymous’ invite only channel. Besides snitching out their own peeps, the logs revealed an unnerving paranoia. In one a hacker named entr0py is convinced, when his boss called him into the office unexpectedly, that it was some sort of police sting:

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14:50 <@entr0py> my boss called me
14:50 <@entr0py> ans asked me if i can come into work
14:50 <@entr0py> they couldnt have got anythign this fast right
14:51 <@entr0py> my hands are fuckign shaking
14:51 <@entr0py> should i go there
14:51 <@tflow> gahh..
14:51 <@entr0py> its way to fats right
14:52 <@entr0py> fast
14:52 <@kayla> for what?
14:53 <@entr0py> for the police to do anything?
14:53 <@kayla> i'd say so
14:53 <@entr0py> thats what i think
14:53 <@kayla> why would they go to your work and not your house?
14:53 <@entr0py> i have no idea
14:53 <@kayla> i think you're being paranoid :D
14:53 <&marduk> yah that makes no sense, rly
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