



# Securitatea Informatica

## Curs 5. E-Banking Security

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# E-Banking: Glossary of Terms

# Introduction

- ✓ **Electronic banking (e-Banking):** service that lets the customer perform a collection of banking services through electronic means
  
- ✓ Popular Types of E-banking:
  - ✓ **Internet Banking:** It is the type of electronic banking service which enables customers to perform several financial and non-financial transactions via the internet
  - ✓ **Mobile Banking:** This electronic banking system enables customers to perform financial and non-financial transactions via mobile devices
  - ✓ **ATM:** Automated Teller Machines allows customers to withdraw funds, deposit money, change Debit Card PIN, and other banking services.



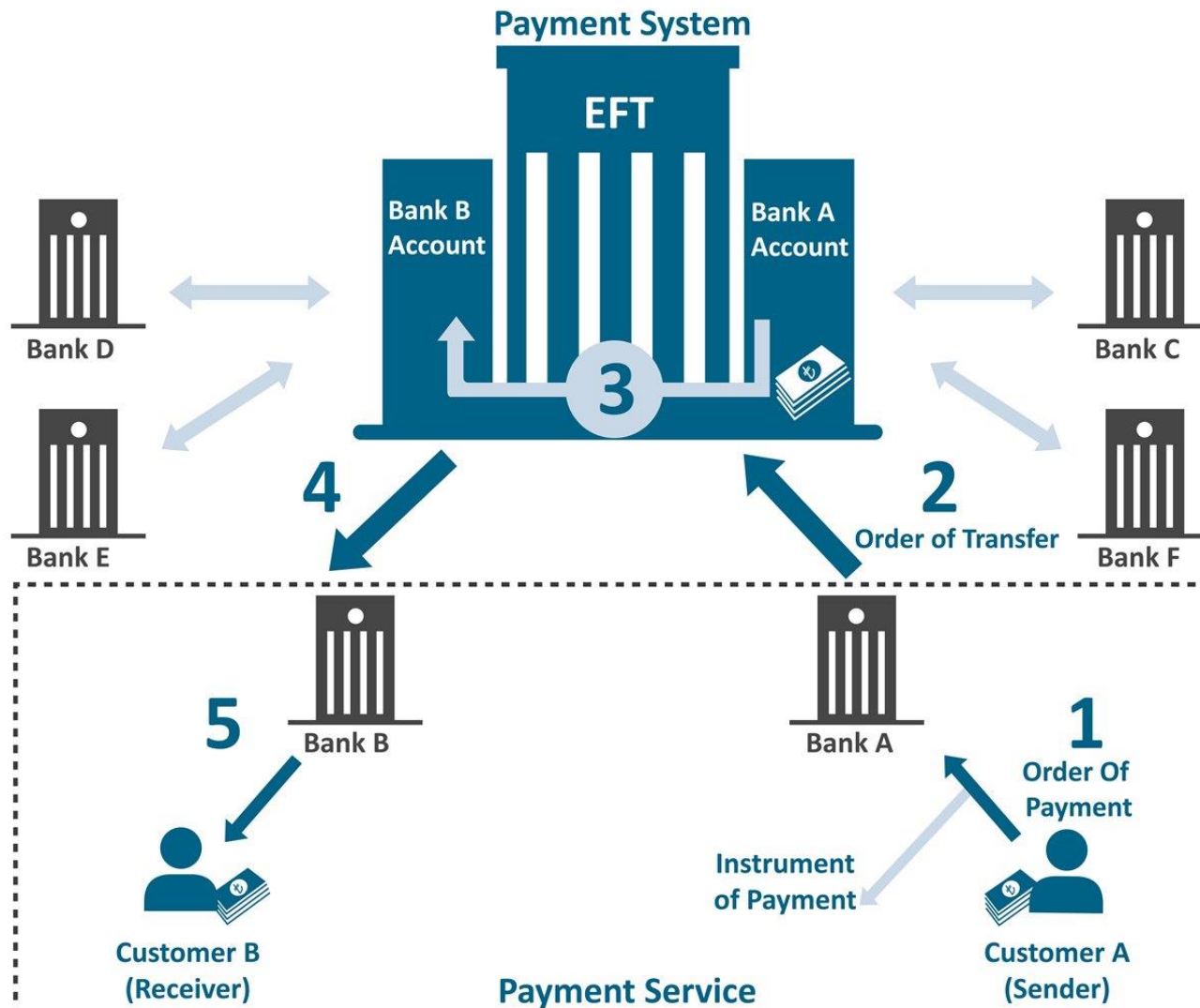
# Special Features of Internet Banking

- ✓ Provides access to financial as well as non-financial banking services
- ✓ Facility to check bank balance any time
- ✓ Make bill payments and fund transfer to other accounts
- ✓ Keep a check on mortgages, loans, savings a/c linked to the bank account
- ✓ Safe and secure mode of banking
- ✓ Customers can apply for the issuance of a chequebook
- ✓ Buy general insurance
- ✓ Set-up or cancel automatic recurring payments and standing orders
- ✓ Keep a check on investments linked to the bank account

# Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)

- ✓ An **electronic funds transfer (EFT)** is a transaction that takes place over a computerized network
  
- ✓ EFTs include:
  - ✓ direct-debit transactions,
  - ✓ wire transfers,
  - ✓ ATM withdrawals and
  - ✓ online bill pay services
  
- ✓ EFTs also known as *online or PIN-based transactions* offer an alternative to signature debit transactions (Visa, MasterCard)

# Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)



# Security in EFT

- ✓ protection of the integrity of electronic funds transfer (EFT) systems
- ✓ protection of the EFT information

EFT vulnerabilities (compared with paper-based payment systems):

- ✓ EFT systems have many points of access where transactions can be affected in unauthorized ways
- ✓ Funds can be removed almost instantly without review of individual transactions by officials
- ✓ It is possible, in theory, for large banks of data to be destroyed by remote agents
- ✓ EFT crime is often difficult to detect because funds/data can be removed or manipulated by instructions hidden in complex computer software

# E-Commerce: Exchanges

- ✓ The main types of markets:
  - ✓ Dealers (Over-the-counter)
  - ✓ Exchanges
  - ✓ Brokers
  
- ✓ **Exchange:** warehouse in which people buy and sell stocks
  - ✓ the exchange is the most automated
  
- ✓ **Broker:** buys and sells stocks through an exchange, charging a commission in this way
  
- ✓ **Foreign exchanges (FX)** : traders buy and sell currencies



# E-Commerce: Portals

- ✓ Corporate treasurers regularly need to exchange currencies
- ✓ Foreign exchange (FX) portals:
  - ✓ Internet-enabled trading systems (corporates/users log on to buy and sell currencies)
  - ✓ The systems are integrated with other banking systems or the corporates' own systems
- ✓ 2 types of portals:
  - ✓ Banks: provide FX portals on which corporates/users can trade on this platform through that bank
  - ✓ Multi-bank portals: a wider range of banks to choose for trading

# E-Commerce: Single-bank portals

- ✓ They offer straight currency transactions
- ✓ A corporate/user makes payments in any currencies without having to maintain local currency accounts
- ✓ An automatic and more detailed audit trail with potential for integration into TMS and ERP systems
  - ✓ **TMS - Transportation Management System**
  - ✓ **ERP - Enterprise Resource Planning** (*the integrated management of core business processes*)

# E-Commerce: Multi-bank portals

- ✓ The portals offer corporate users the ability to trade FX with many banks through one online platform
- ✓ Huge numbers of currencies and currency pairs are available
- ✓ Clear audit trail
- ✓ Corporates seeking pre-trade anonymity can see constant streams of data from banks

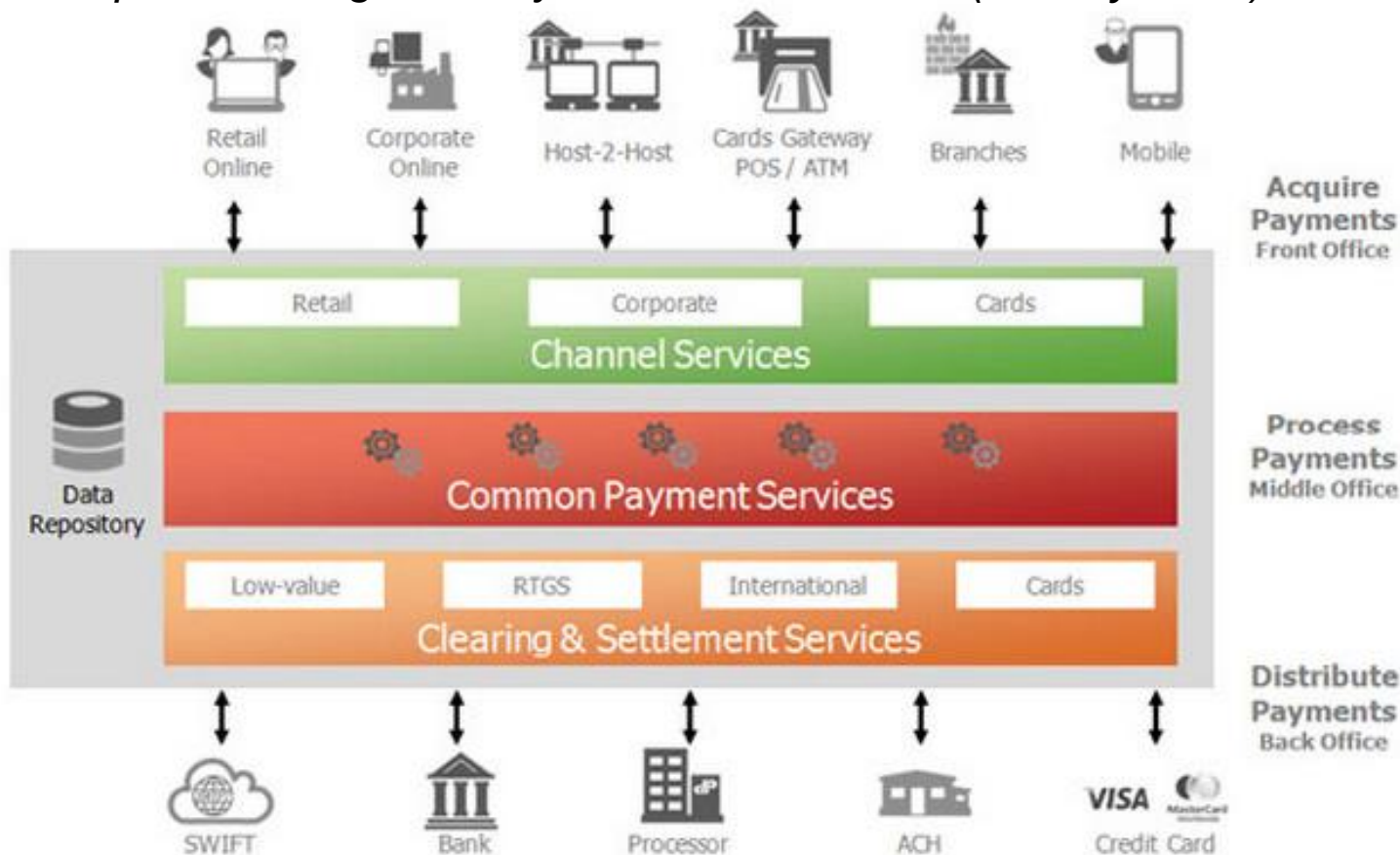
# Next-Generation Banking

# Current Context

- ✓ Consumers want simple, seamless, efficient and low-cost experiences
- ✓ AI, ML, big data is becoming increasingly important to Consumer Banking
- ✓ Tech companies are in dominant positions with respect to having (a) Data, (b) Customer Access, etc.
- ✓ BigTechs are making inroads into the FinTech world, e.g., Amazon/Apple, Google Pay, Uber Bank
- ✓ Traditional banks will have to eventually partner with Big Tech companies to leverage on technology and access to the end customer

# Banking Security Architecture

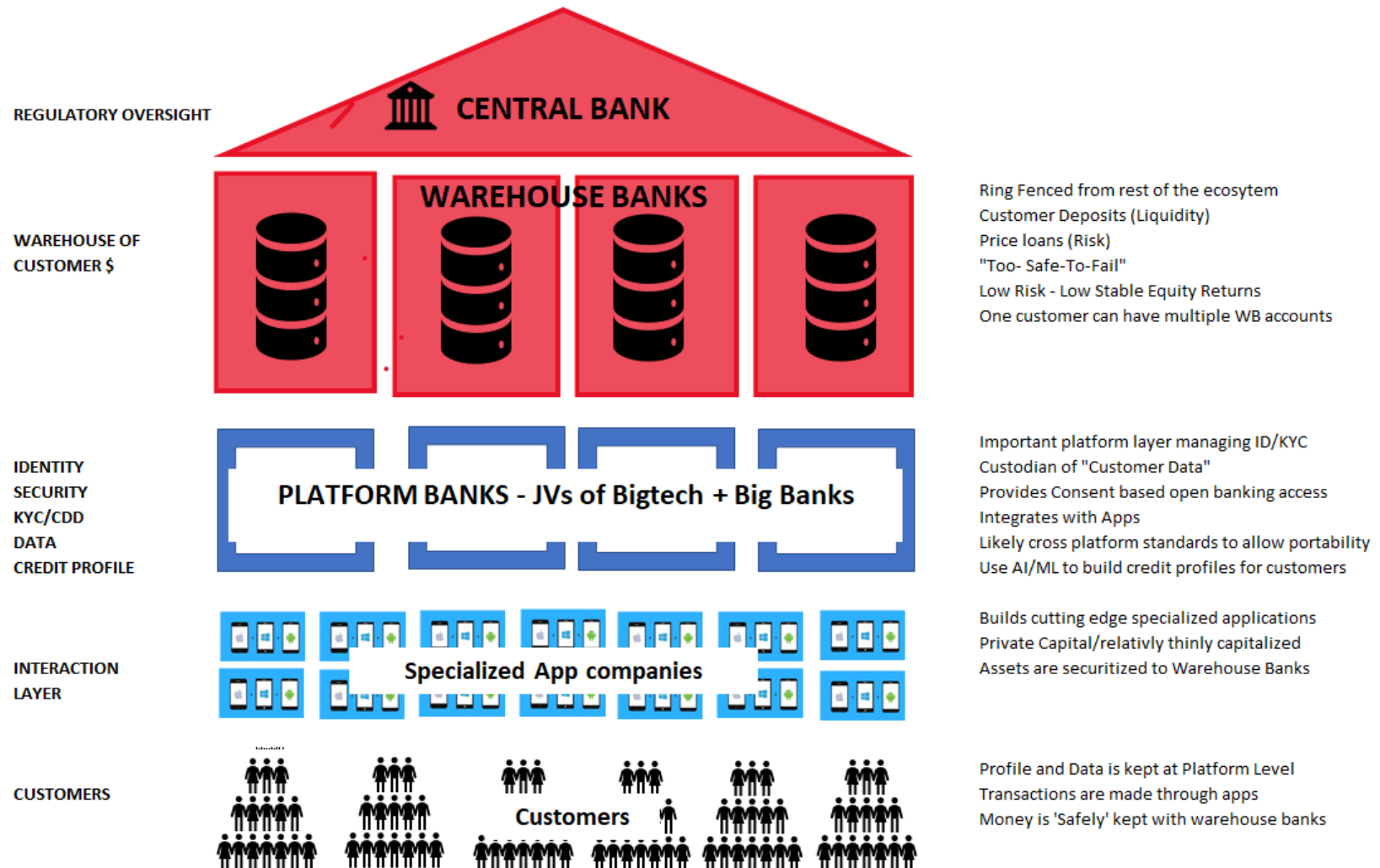
- ✓ The **<NEW> Open Payment Framework** – build as a SOA architecture
  - ✓ the biggest shift ever from traditional bank/customer transactional relationships
  - ✓ ‘Open Banking Security Profile’ - version 1 (14 July 2017)



# Banking Security Architecture

- ✓ **Traditionally banks** have **completely controlled** the sensitive customer information entrusted to them
  - ✓ Access has been restricted to strictly approved internal roles and entities that use corporate security measures, such as firewalls
- ✓ **Open banking:**
  - ✓ the banks' sensitive data perimeters → extend outside their premises
  - ✓ banks must now make their customers' personal or business current-account information accessible to external entities:
    - ✓ **account aggregators, challenger banks, start-ups, fintech**
  - ✓ banks may be exposed to **new threats** emanating from beyond their traditional areas of control

# Potential Shape of Consumer Banking Ecosystem (1/2)





# Potential Shape of Consumer Banking Ecosystem (2/2)

- ✓ **Central Banks:** the primary regulatory body with regulatory oversight over the banking ecosystem
- ✓ **Warehouse Banks:** will only hold “Liquidity” and “Price Risk (Credit/Loans)”
- ✓ **Platform Banks:** large platforms/marketplaces that will be the primary gateway for a customer to the banking system
- ✓ **Fintechs-App Banks:** the typical apps that will be connected to all other types of banks using APIs, connectors and so on

# Payments Security

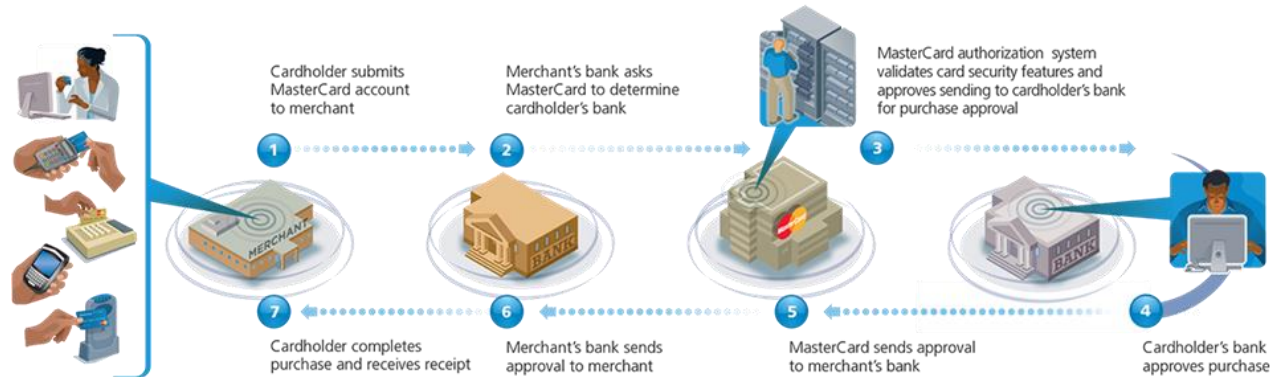
# Modern Payments Security

- ✓ EMV (Europay, MasterCard, and Visa): standard for credit cards that uses **computer chips** to authenticate **chip-card** transactions
- ✓ Payment EMV cards
- ✓ The terminal reads card and talks to acquirer's host
- ✓ Transaction phases:
  - ✓ Authorization,
  - ✓ Clearing,
  - ✓ Settlement,
  - ✓ *Dispute resolution*



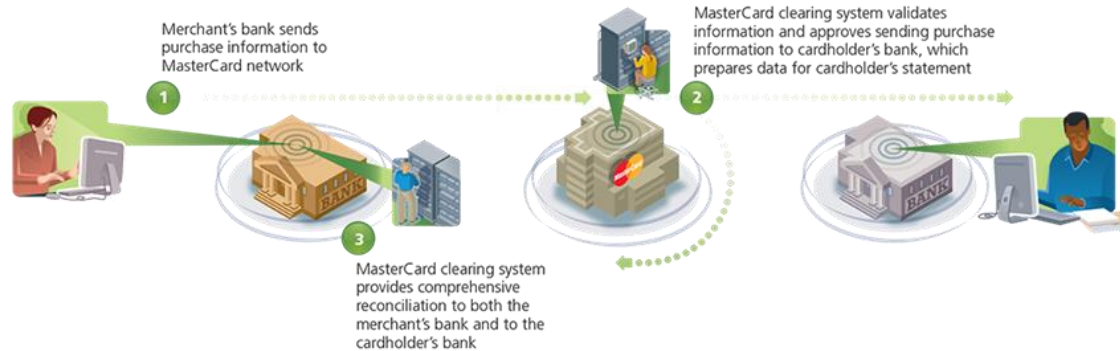
## AUTHORIZATION

TIME OF PURCHASE FOR DUAL AND SINGLE MESSAGE TRANSACTIONS



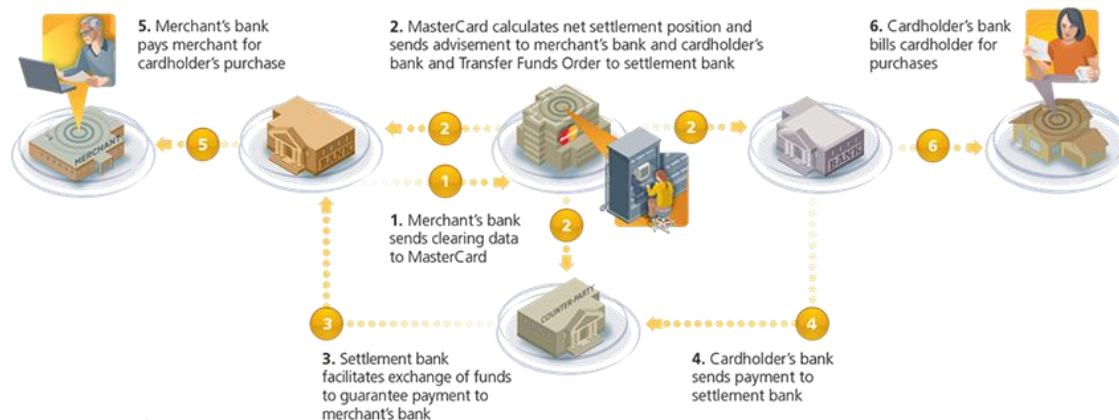
## CLEARING

USUALLY WITHIN ONE DAY FOR DUAL MESSAGE TRANSACTIONS; TIME OF PURCHASE FOR SINGLE MESSAGE TRANSACTIONS



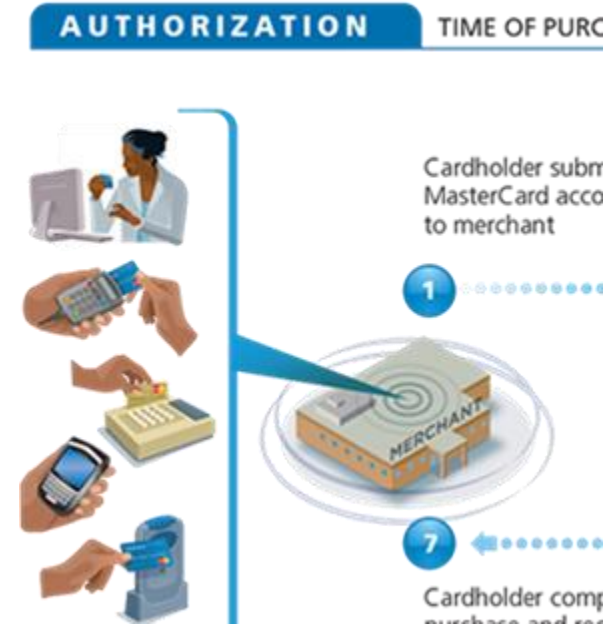
## SETTLEMENT

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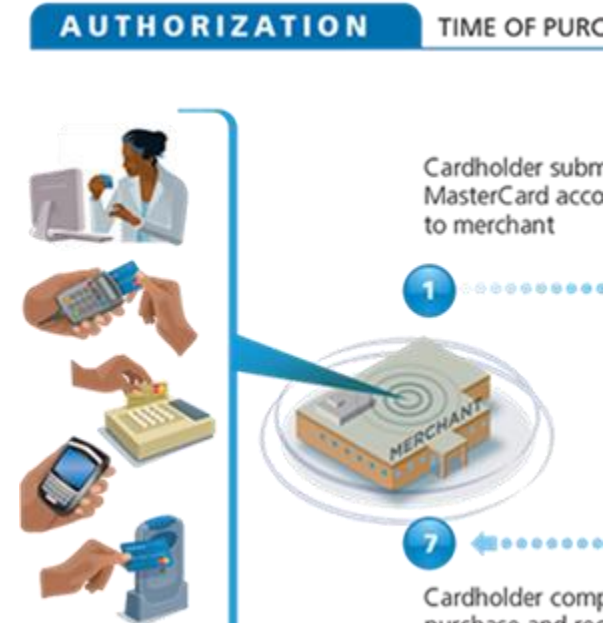
# Secure Transaction

- **PIN:** personal identification number
- **PED:** pin entry device (e.g., **POS:** Point Of Sale, **ATM:** Automated Teller Machine)
- **Acquirer:** bank or payment institution which accept card payment
- **Issuer:** bank or payment institution which manage the cardholder account
- **PAN:** Primary account number



# Secure Transaction

- A **PED** has:
  - **TMK** [terminal master key] injected into PED and hardly changed
  - **TPK** [terminal PIN key] which is derived from TMK
- **Create PINBlock:** PIN and the card PAN
- **Encrypt the PINBlock:**
  - Create session key: **TPK** [terminal PIN key]



# Chip Authentication Program (CAP)

- ✓ It uses the deployed “Chip & PIN” smart card infrastructure
- ✓ CAP operates in 3 modes: identity, respond, sign
- ✓ CAP implementation is based on the EMV\* smart card protocol:
  1. Reader requests a list of all the data records stored by a card
  2. PIN verification
  3. Cryptogram generation



\* EMV stands for Europay, MasterCard and Visa

# Chip Secrets – Attacks Methods

- ✓ **Non-invasive** attacks (*no physical harm to the chip*)
  - ✓ *low-cost*
  - ✓ *time consuming and not always successful*
  - ✓ *Ex. side-channel attacks (such as Simple Power Analysis)*
  
- ✓ **Invasive** attacks (*extracting information and understanding chip functionality*)
  - ✓ *expensive (requires a very sophisticated equipment and knowledge);*
  - ✓ *less time consuming and straightforward for many devices*
  - ✓ *Ex. partial reverse engineering followed by microprobing*
  
- ✓ **Semi-invasive** attacks (*direct access to the chip's surface*)
  - ✓ *moderate cost (some equipment can be easily built)*
  - ✓ *higher success rate compared to non-invasive attacks*
  - ✓ *some are easily repeatable and relatively quick to set up*
  - ✓ *Ex. optical fault injection attack*



# Chip Secrets – Attacks Methods

- ✓ Security improvement:
  - ✓ Turn some ROM areas into reprogrammable Flash areas
    - ✓ Flash memory usually stores IP, sensitive data, passwords and encryption keys
    - ✓ **Flash known vulnerabilities:**
      - ✓ power glitching influence on data read from memory
      - ✓ laser scanning techniques reveal memory contents
  - ✓ Reprogram low-level features

# Biometrics

- ✓ Recently, the cards have been easily cloned and used without user's knowledge
- ✓ Fingerprints problems:
  - ✓ Authentication fails if the user has a band aid on his finger
  - ✓ The fingerprint remains even the user is dead or unconscious
- ✓ Solution: authentication in two phases:
  - ✓ Iris recognition – identity
  - ✓ Palm vein technology - authentication



# E-Commerce and Mobile Banking

# E-Commerce Payment Systems



- ✓ Users can pay for online transactions using electronic payment
- ✓ A percentage of Internet users do not shop online because of a perceived risk of fraud
- ✓ Card verification number on credit cards transactions decreases the occurrence of frauds

# Types of e-Commerce Payment Systems

- ✓ **Credit Cards**
  - ✓ Credit card number + date of expiry
  - ✓ Credit verification number (CVN) – to increase security
- ✓ **Digital Wallets**
  - ✓ Store personal information and payment
  - ✓ Are located on user's PC
- ✓ **E-Cash**
  - ✓ The money is exchanged electronically (PayPal)
- ✓ **Mobile Payment**
  - ✓ User sends payment request via text message



# Mobile Payment (1)



- ✓ Mobile payments technology include:
  - ✓ NFC (Near Field Communications),
  - ✓ SE (Security Element), and
  - ✓ TSM (Trusted Service Manager)
  
- ✓ NFC does not offer native encryption → mobile payments need a SE (cryptographic module in the mobile device)
  
- ✓ Insecurity influences the adoption of mobile banking technology

## Mobile Payment (2)

- ✓ **Good points** for mobile devices regarding security:
  - ✓ Are more protected against loss or theft
  - ✓ Users use them in a personal and confidential way
  
- ✓ **Risks** for mobile devices:
  - ✓ Malware
  - ✓ Malicious applications
  - ✓ Payments infrastructure/ecosystem
  - ✓ SMS vulnerabilities

# E-Commerce Payment Systems

## - Comparison -

Payment systems	Properties	Costs	Advantages	Disadvantages
Electronic cash e.g., <a href="#">PayPal</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– 31% of US population do not have credit cards</li> <li>– micropayments (&lt; \$10)</li> <li>– Independent</li> <li>– Portable</li> <li>– Divisible</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Internet cash transfer: no fixed cost of hardware</li> <li>– No distance costs</li> <li>– Small processing fee to banks</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Efficient</li> <li>– Less costly</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Money laundering</li> <li>– Forgery</li> <li>– Low acceptance</li> <li>– Multiple standards</li> </ul>
Electronic wallets e.g., <a href="#">Passport</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Stores shipping &amp; billing information</li> <li>– Encrypted digital certificate</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Lengthy download for client-side wallets</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Enter information into checkout forms automatically</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Client-side wallets are not portable</li> <li>– Privacy issue for server-side wallets</li> </ul>
Smart cards e.g., <a href="#">Blue</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Embedded microchip storing encrypted personal information</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Time value of money</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Convenience</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Need a card reader</li> <li>– Card theft</li> <li>– Low acceptance</li> </ul>
Credit cards e.g., <a href="#">VeriSign</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Line of credit</li> <li>– Purchase dispute protection</li> <li>– Secure Electronic Transaction (SET) Protocol</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Unpaid balance charge</li> <li>– \$50 limit on frauds</li> <li>– Processing fee</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Most popular</li> <li>– Worldwide acceptance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Costly</li> </ul>



# Protection for E-Commerce Bank and Credit Card Systems

- ✓ Existing cryptographic protection mechanisms: the PINs used at ATMs, the CVVs - are largely ineffective online
- ✓ Solution: Secure Sockets Layer Protocols (SSL) used with most Web browsers
- ✓ Risks: card transaction repudiation

# Online-Banking Security

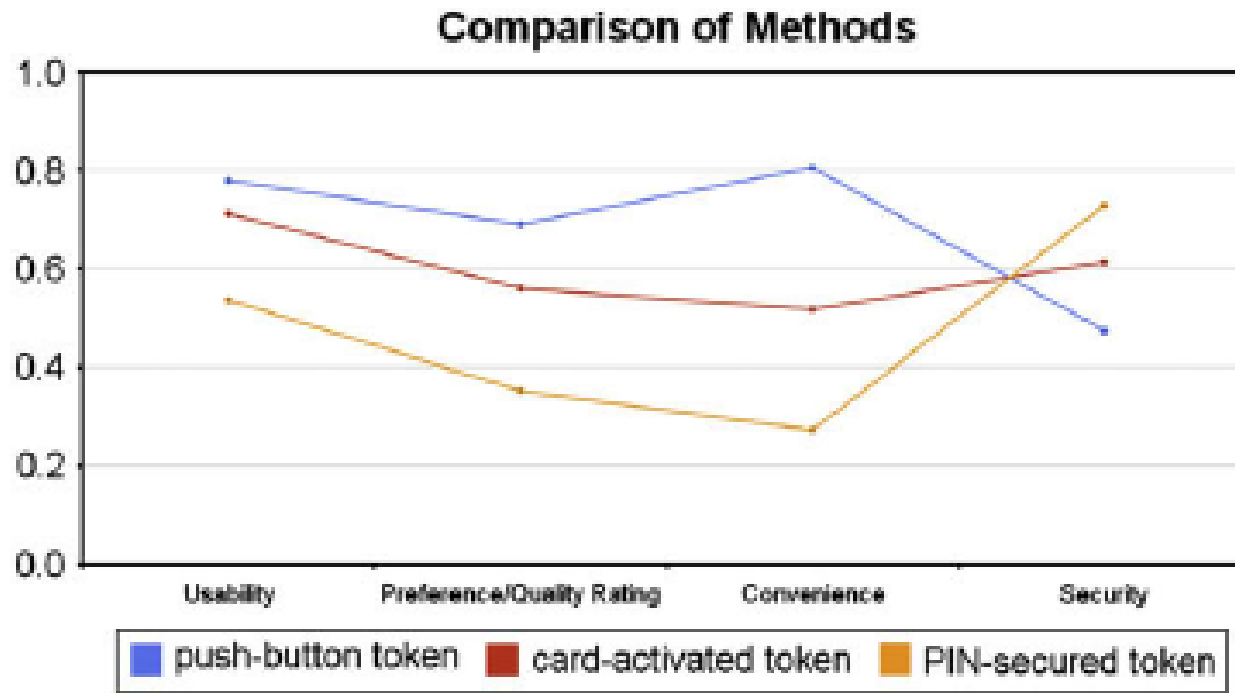
# Authentication in Online Banking

# Two-factor authentication using hardware devices (1)

- ✓ Due to low security of password verification → fraud problems for e-Banking and e-Commerce (*single-factor authentication not enough*)
- ✓ Comparison of hdw. auth. devices:

Method	Method of OTP Generation	Type of 2-Factor Solution
Push-Button Token (A)	User presses button on the device and a 6-digit access code is displayed	Know (Password) + Possess (Device)
Card-Activated Token (B)	User inserts their Bankcard into the card reader, presses button and a 6-digit access code is displayed	Know (Password) + Possess (Device) + Possess (Bankcard)
Chip and PIN-Secured Token (C)	User inserts their Bankcard into the card reader, enters card PIN and a 6-digit access code is displayed	Know (Password) + Possess (Device) + Possess (Bankcard) + Know (Card PIN)

# Two-factor authentication using hardware devices (2)



**Fig. 5 – Usability, preference, convenience, security ratings for the three devices.**

# Two-factor authentication that does not use chips (1)

- ✓ Hardware devices (OTP) or software solution?
- ✓ Token-based devices presents **weaknesses**:
  - ✓ Easy to lost
  - ✓ Difficult to use
  - ✓ Requires middleware downloads and support
- ✓ **Solution**: two-factor authentication using 100% **software** solution

## Two-factor authentication that does not use chips (2)

- ✓ **First factor:** A familiar, simple **username/password interface**
  - ✓ It provides the strength and protection of **PKI security**
  - ✓ It integrates with existing PKI-based applications and infrastructure (Identity Management/Single Sign On platforms)
  
- ✓ **Second factor:** A unique, software-only **identity token** that sits transparently in a user's device (e.g., laptop)

# Two-factor authentication that does not use chips (3)

- ✓ Identity token:
  - ✓ Software equivalent of hardware smart card
  - ✓ Provides a PIN-protected software container for the user's credentials: a **digital certificate** (X.590v3) and an encryption **private key**
- ✓ Digital certificate - stored in container
- ✓ Private key - protected by a cryptographic camouflage



# Two-factor authentication that does not use chips (4)

- ✓ **Strong points** of **software-only identity systems**:
  - ✓ Protection against attacks as: brute force attacks, man-in-the-middle (*OTP cannot do*), phishing and key logging
  - ✓ Secure client that fraud-proofs the login process:
    - ✓ No expensive hardware
    - ✓ Rapidly scales to million of users
    - ✓ Runs on a variety of mobile platforms
  - ✓ Boost bank customers or employees confidence regarding data protection (familiar interface for the logging process)

# Authorization in Online Banking

# Authorization methods in Online-Banking (1)

- ✓ **Code Card:**
  - ✓ Plastic card with a set of fixed authorization codes
  - ✓ Good solution for private account holders
- ✓ **Digipass GO3:**
  - ✓ Small device that generates unique one-time password for transaction authorization with one push on the button (valid for 1 min)
  - ✓ Good choice for customers who are planning operations with high security level
- ✓ **MobileSCAN**
  - ✓ Online banking on mobile using MobileSCAN PIN code
  - ✓ No extra authorization tools needed

# Authorization methods in Online-Banking (2)

- ✓ **One Time Password (OTP)**: used as an additional factor in multi-factor authentication/authorization (usually sent by SMS)
  - ✓ The OTP is checked by the server and the transaction proceeds if valid
  
- ✓ **Transaction Authentication Number (TAN)** list for online transactions:
  - ✓ Indexed TAN list,
  - ✓ Indexed TAN with Captcha,
  - ✓ Mobile TAN,
  - ✓ TAN Generators (small HHT that generates a TAN)

# Encryption in E-Banking

# Encryption (1)

- ✓ Types of cryptographic algorithms:
  - ✓ **Secret Key Cryptography (SKC):** same key for encryption and decryption
  - ✓ **Public Key Cryptography (PKC):** one key for encryption, another for decryption
- ✓ Transaction security and privacy during e-banking depends on the **password** and **PIN code**

## Encryption (2)

- ✓ Security goals: privacy, authenticity and repudiation can be achieved via **digital signatures** (it uses a secret and a public key) using **RSA**
- ✓ For SMS based secure mobile (Mobile banking): **symmetric cryptographic techniques** (common secret key)
- ✓ Some ATMs: smart cards which enable the use of **public key cryptography**



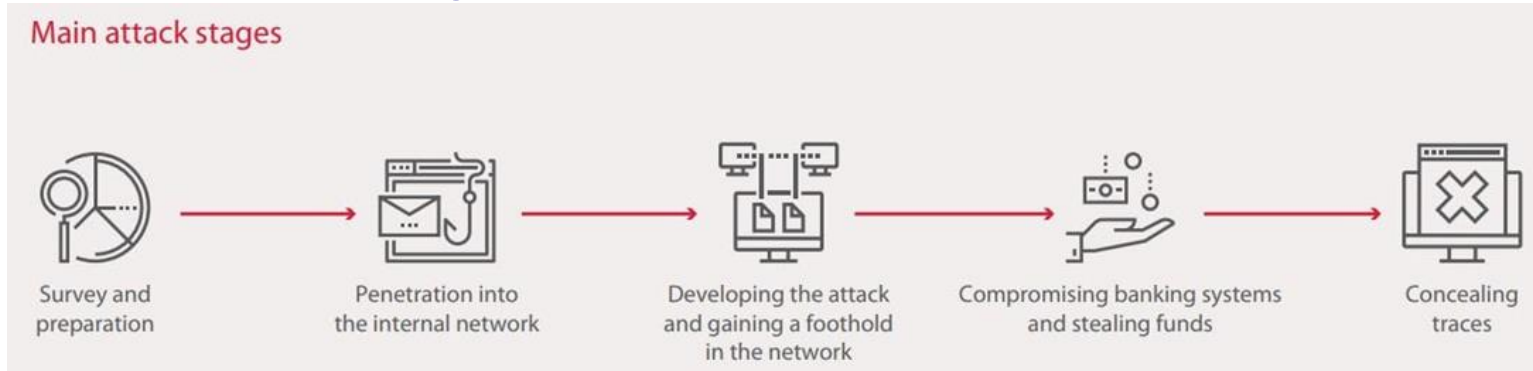
# Digital Signature Certificate

- ✓ Used to authenticate both the users and the banking systems itself
- ✓ Depends on the existence of a **Public Key Infrastructure (PKI)** and a **Certificate Authority (CA)** who signs the certificates attesting their viability
- ✓ Provides an additional level of security safety and security for online banking transactions



# E-Banking Attacks

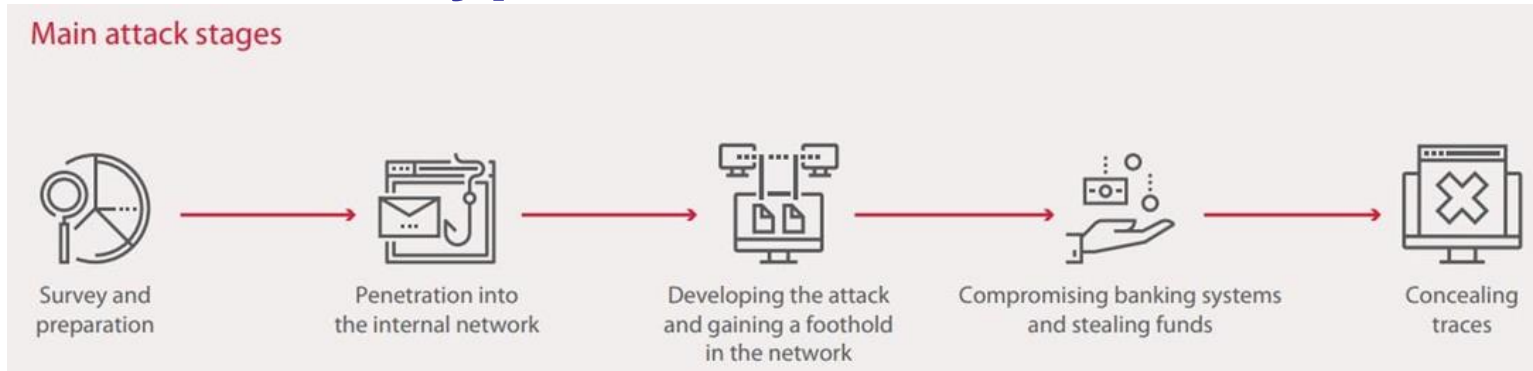
# Typical attack scheme



## Stage 1. Survey and preparation

- rather lengthy and time-consuming
- the task of gathering as much information about the bank as possible

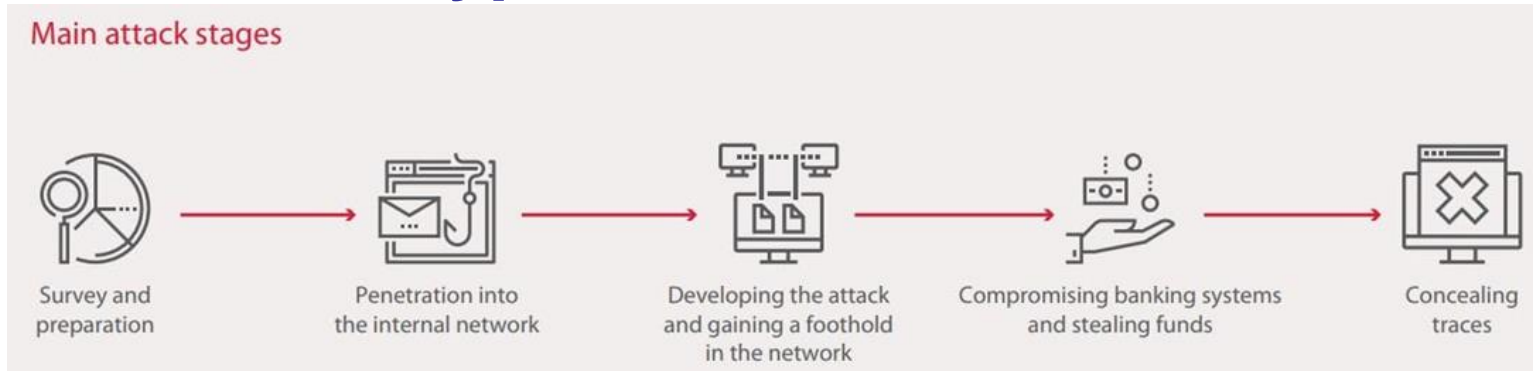
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## Stage 1. Survey and preparation

- an attacker collects the following information about the bank:
  - Information about network perimeter systems and software
  - Employees Partners and contractors, as well as their systems and employees
  - Business processes

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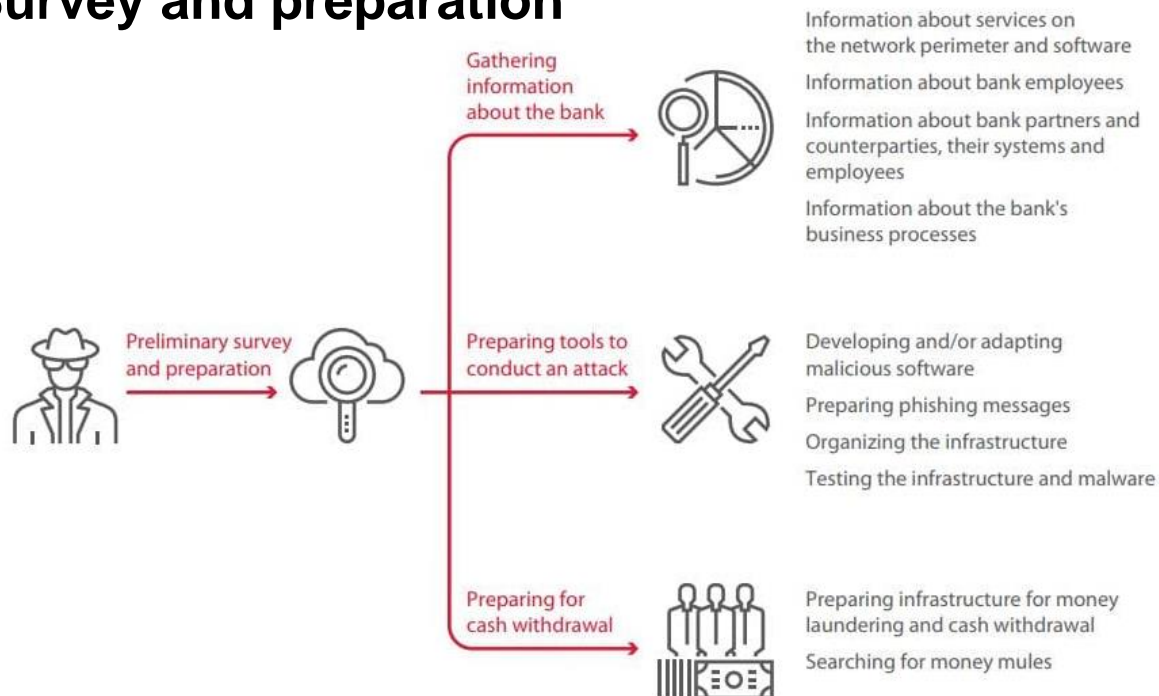
- examples of preparatory actions:
  - Developing or adapting malicious software
  - Preparing phishing emails
  - Testing the infrastructure and malicious software
  - MitM attack:
    - intercepts all traffic between the client and the server
    - Hides browser notifications about false web sites certificates

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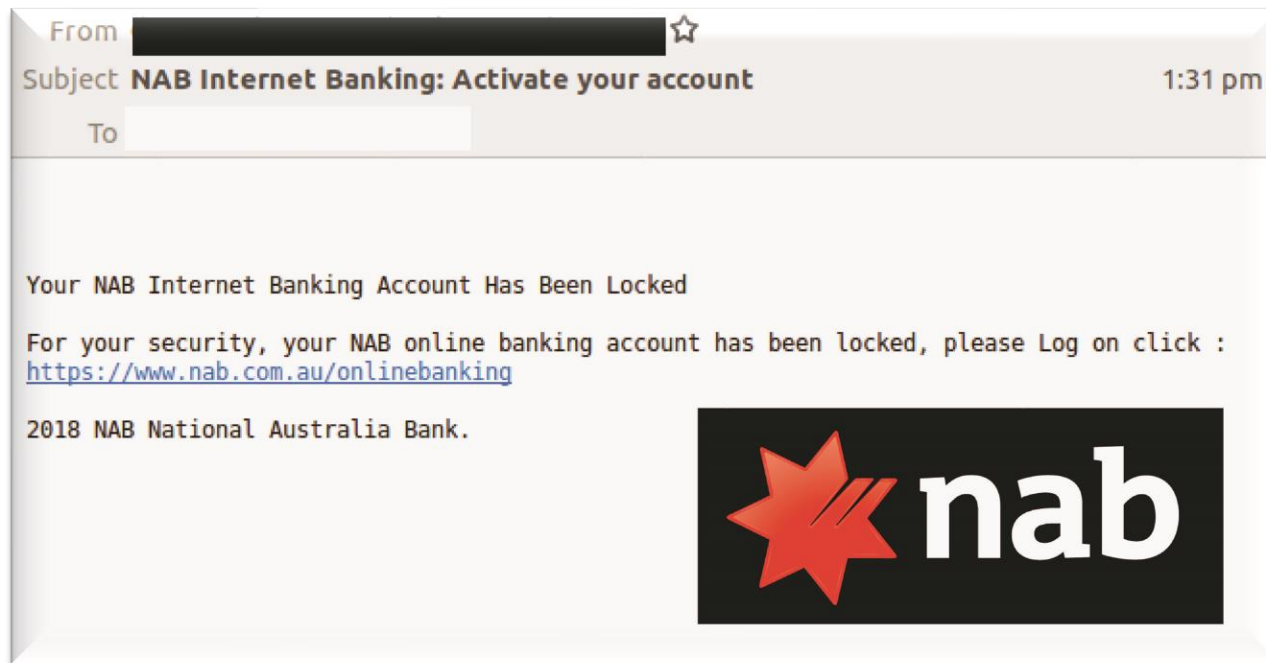
## Stage 2. Penetrating the internal network

- Phishing:



# Phishing

- ✓ A spoofed message that tries to trick the user to give its confidential information
- ✓ The number of phishing attacks are increasing:
  - ✓ ~482 million attempts in 2018 (*Kaspersky Lab*) <sup>[1]</sup> - 44 % of them in the banking financier system



[1] <https://www.itproportal.com/news/phishing-attacks-doubled-in-2018/>

# Phishing

## ✓ How?

- ✓ *Traditional*: email links and attachments
- ✓ social media feeds, search engines, browser extensions, pop-ups, chat bots, mobile apps, scareware, social engineering, malvertising(*the use of online advertising to spread malware*)

## ✓ Countermeasures:

### ✓ E-mail and Web Page Personalization:

- ✓ identifiable personal information could combat the risk of phishing attacks on bank users

### ✓ Web Page Personalization

- ✓ the bank users request a text or image to be used along with their passwords and usernames.
- ✓ The users have to pass through two web pages when visiting their bank's website:
  - ✓ I. requires the user to provide a username. If the user name is valid →
  - ✓ II. personalized page for entering the password (personalized with the phrases or images that the user chose when he or she created the account)

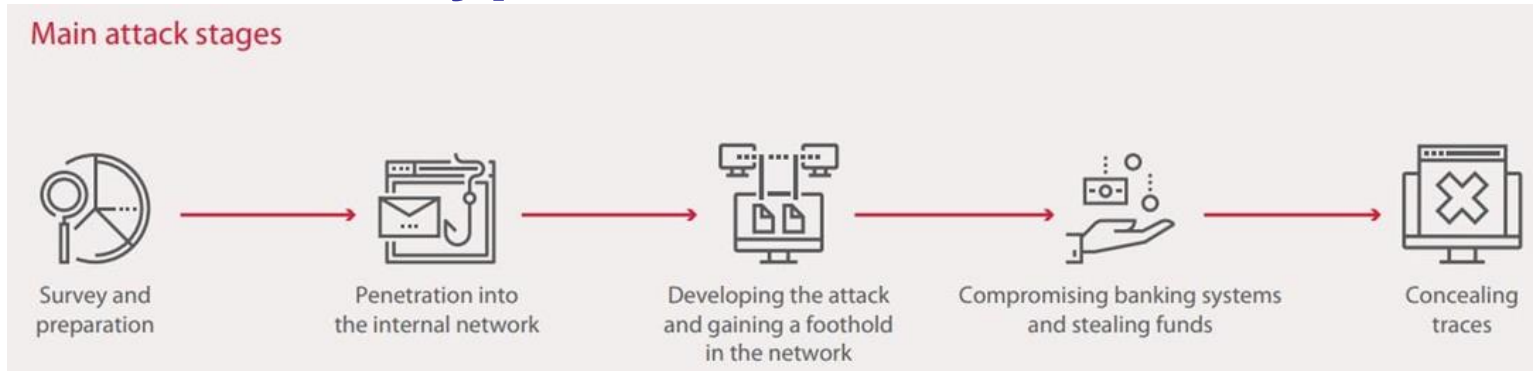
### ✓ Protection Software

### ✓ Two-factor Authentication

### ✓ Customer Awareness



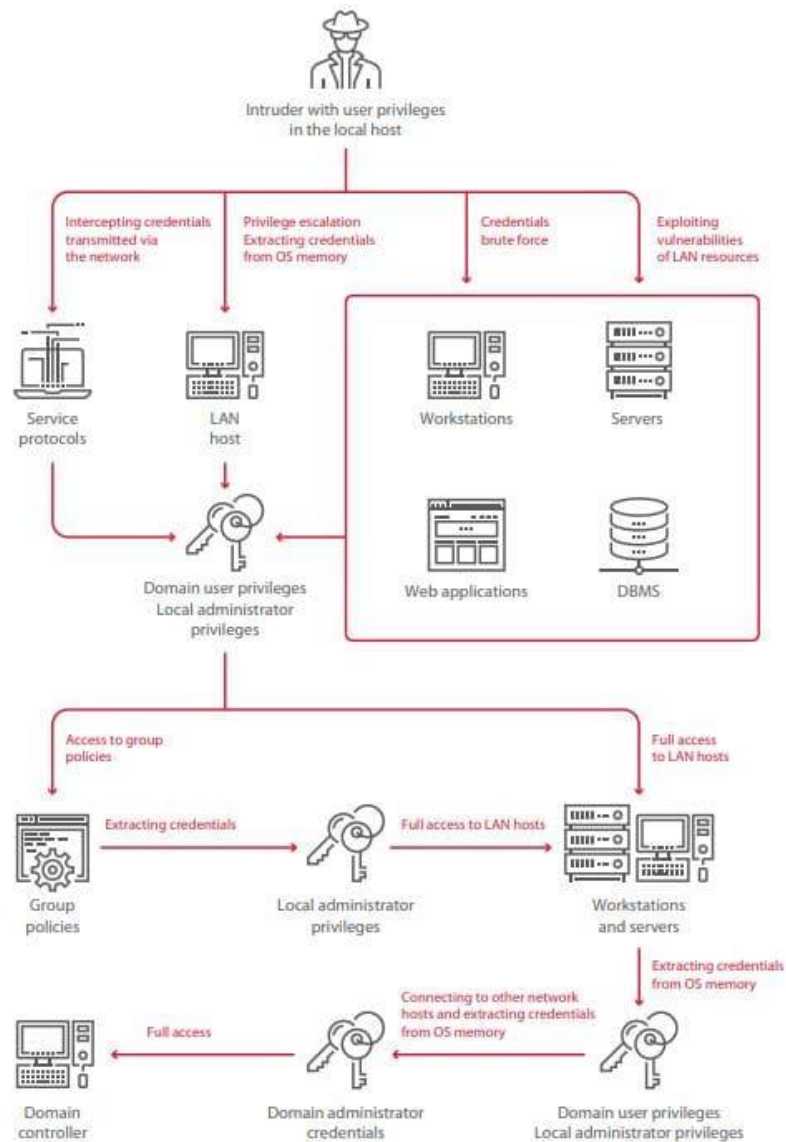
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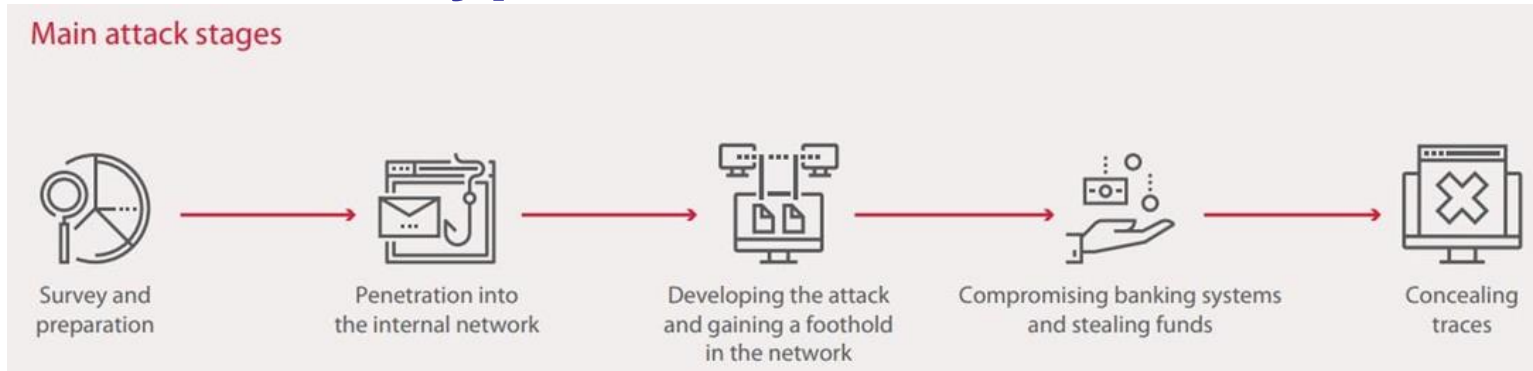
## Stage 3. Developing the attack and gaining a foothold in the network

- Common vulnerabilities:
  - Use of outdated software versions and failure to install OS security updates
  - Configuration errors (including excessive user and software privileges, as well as setting local administrator passwords through group policies)
  - Use of dictionary passwords by privileged users
  - Absence of two-factor authentication for access to critical systems

# Stage 3



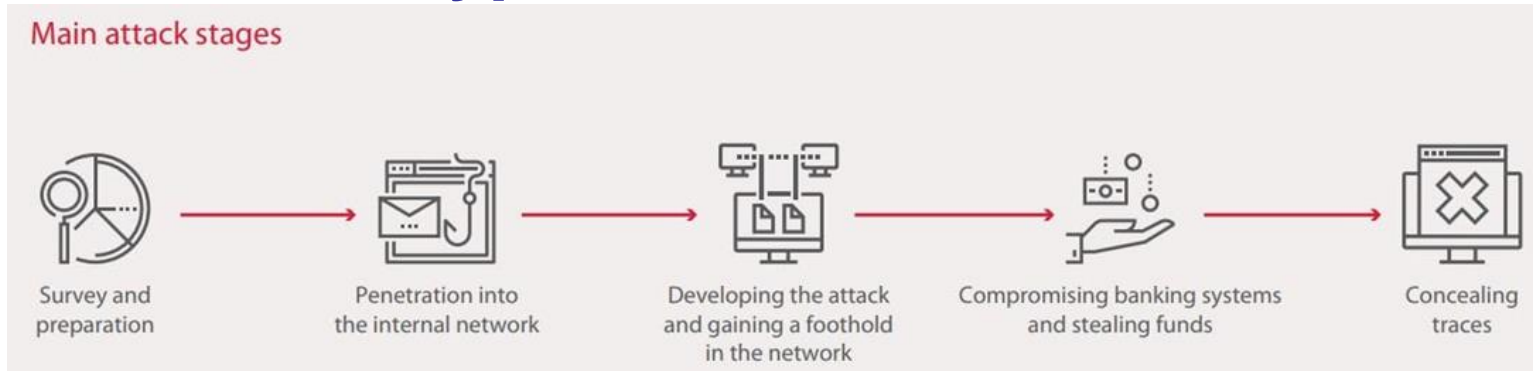
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## Stage 4. Compromising banking systems and stealing funds

- The main methods of theft are:
  - Transferring funds to fictitious accounts through interbank payment systems
  - Transferring funds to cryptocurrency wallets
  - Controlling bank cards and accounts
  - Controlling ATM cash dispensing

# Typical attack scheme



## Stage 5. Concealing traces

- To impede investigation of incidents,
- Although many attackers use RAM-resident malware, signs of their presence in the system still remain: entries in event logs, changes in the registry, and other hooks.
- Possible approach: erase boot records and hard disk partition tables on network hosts, disabling them entirely

# Common Malware

- ✓ **Spyware and Adware**
  - ✓ **Spyware**: type of software that secretively collects user information while on the Internet
  - ✓ **Adware**: type of spyware used to tack user's habits and interests for customizing future advertising material

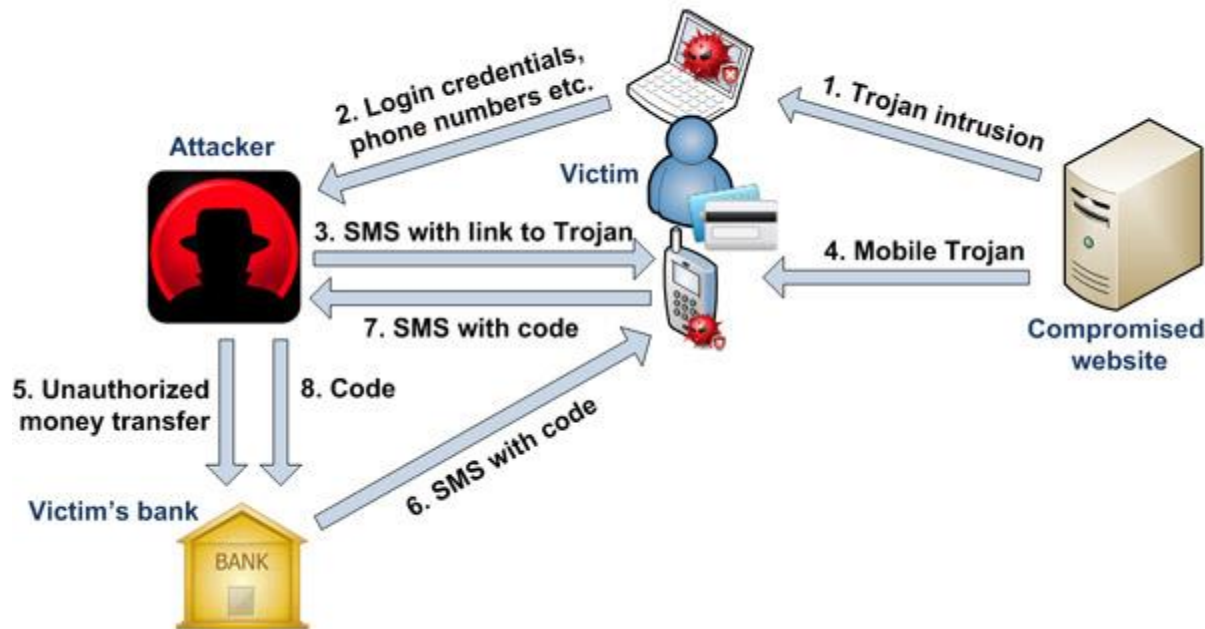
# Common Malware

- ✓ **Viruses:** software that reproduce and attach itself to other programs
  - ✓ **Countermeasures:**
    - ✓ Anti-virus software
    - ✓ Not accepting attachments from emails of unknown sources
  
- ✓ **Keyloggers:** while accessing the Online Banking keylogger copies every keystroke typed on that PC

# Common Malware

- ✓ **Trojans:** destructive program that poses as a harmless application

Example of banking Trojan attack



## Q&A

Thank You For Being



CyberAware