

# Bypass Touch ID

With a Forged Fingerprint

9am - noon

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## Agenda

9 am - 10:15	Bypass TouchID with a Forged Fingerprint Lecture & Demo
10:15 - 10:45	Break
10:45 - 12 pm	Bypass TouchID with a Forged Fingerprint Lab Exercises
12 - 1:30	Lunch
1:30 - 2:45	Locking down Mac OS. Lecture
2:45 - 3:15	Break
3:15 - 4:30	Physical Security & The Art of Lockpicking Lecture & Lab Exercise
5 pm	Dinner Evening Activities

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# Conduct and Safety

- ★ Activities covered in today's workshop are for academic purposes only and are not for use outside of the classroom
- ★ Lab methods include heating processes and use of chemicals
- ★ Laws regarding lock picks may vary per state <http://toool.us/laws.html>
- ★ Please maintain caution and awareness when participating in lab activities

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your fingertip.

 Touch ID



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Your fingerprint is the perfect password.



You can always have it with you.





And no one can ever guess what it is.



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# Touch ID Hacked in under 48 hours!

**Defeating Apple's Touch ID: It's easier than you may think ...**  
arstechnica.com/.../defeating-apples-touch-id-its-easier-than-... - Ars Technica -  
Sep 23, 2013 - Hacker Starbug overcame the purported ability of Touch ID to read prints at a ... The thief only has 48 hours to fool the sensor and then only the ...

**Touch ID hack verified as legit - CNET**  
www.cnet.com/news/touch-id-hack-verified-as-legit/ - CNET -  
Sep 23, 2013 - Barely 48 hours after the iPhone 5S hit the streets, its Touch ID fingerprint sensor has been fooled by a Germany-based group called the Chaos ...

**iPhone 5S Touch ID: Hacked by 'Star Bug' - ABC News**  
abcnews.go.com - Technology -  
Sep 23, 2013 - A hacking group in Germany is claiming to have fooled the iPhone 5S fingerprint sensor and software, known as Touch ID, less than 48 hours ...

**Touch ID fooled - not hacked - by a lifted fingerprint | iMore**  
www.imore.com/touch-id-fooled-not-hacked-lifted-fingerprint -  
Sep 22, 2013 - To its credit, Chaos Computer Club isn't calling the spoof a hack, but that isn't stopping it from being widely misreported, thanks in part to the ... Getting the most of Mac IDUnlock your Mac with Touch ID ..... I gave it 48 hours. :-).

**Touch ID Hacked Only 48 Hours After Release**  
www.itbusinessedge.com/.../touch-id-hacked-only-48-hours-after-release... -  
Sep 23, 2013 - The much-heralded Touch ID on the new iPhone 5S has allegedly been hacked by a group of German hackers. It took all of 48 hours after the ...

If you have finger-smudged glass, a laser printer, and latex milk, you can beat it too.



MUST READ: READING BETWEEN THE LINES OF NADELLA'S STATE OF THE UNION MESSAGE

**Apple's advanced fingerprint technology is hacked; should you worry?**  
Less than 48 hours after the iPhone 5s went on sale, a group of German hackers claimed to have lifted a fingerprint and created a fake finger that could spoof Apple's 'advanced' biometric technology. But anyone who's been paying attention to biometrics wasn't surprised.



**Defeating Apple's Touch ID: It's easier than you may think**

→ Touch ID Hacked Only 48 Hours After Release

## Touch ID Hacked Only 48 Hours After Release

### iPhone 5S Fingerprint Sensor Fooled by German Hacker Group

Sept. 23, 2013  
By JON M. CHANG



# istouchidhackedyet.com



## No!

...but the following have offered a reward to the first person who can reliably and repeatedly break into an iPhone 5s by lifting prints (like from a beer mug):

## Maybe!

The Chaos Computer Club in Germany may have done it! Awaiting video showing them lifting a print (like from a beer mug) and using it to unlock the phone. If so, they'll win...

# Scope



Illicitly access stored Personal Identity Information (Pii)



Steal Touch ID Secure Enclave cryptographic key (UID)



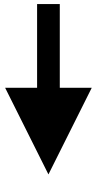
Unlock the iPhone using a forged fingerprint

# The Touch ID System

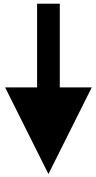
How does Apple do biometric authentication?

# Enrollment - Logical

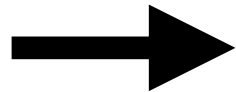
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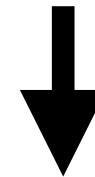
Fingerprint



digital identity



device enrollment



authentication

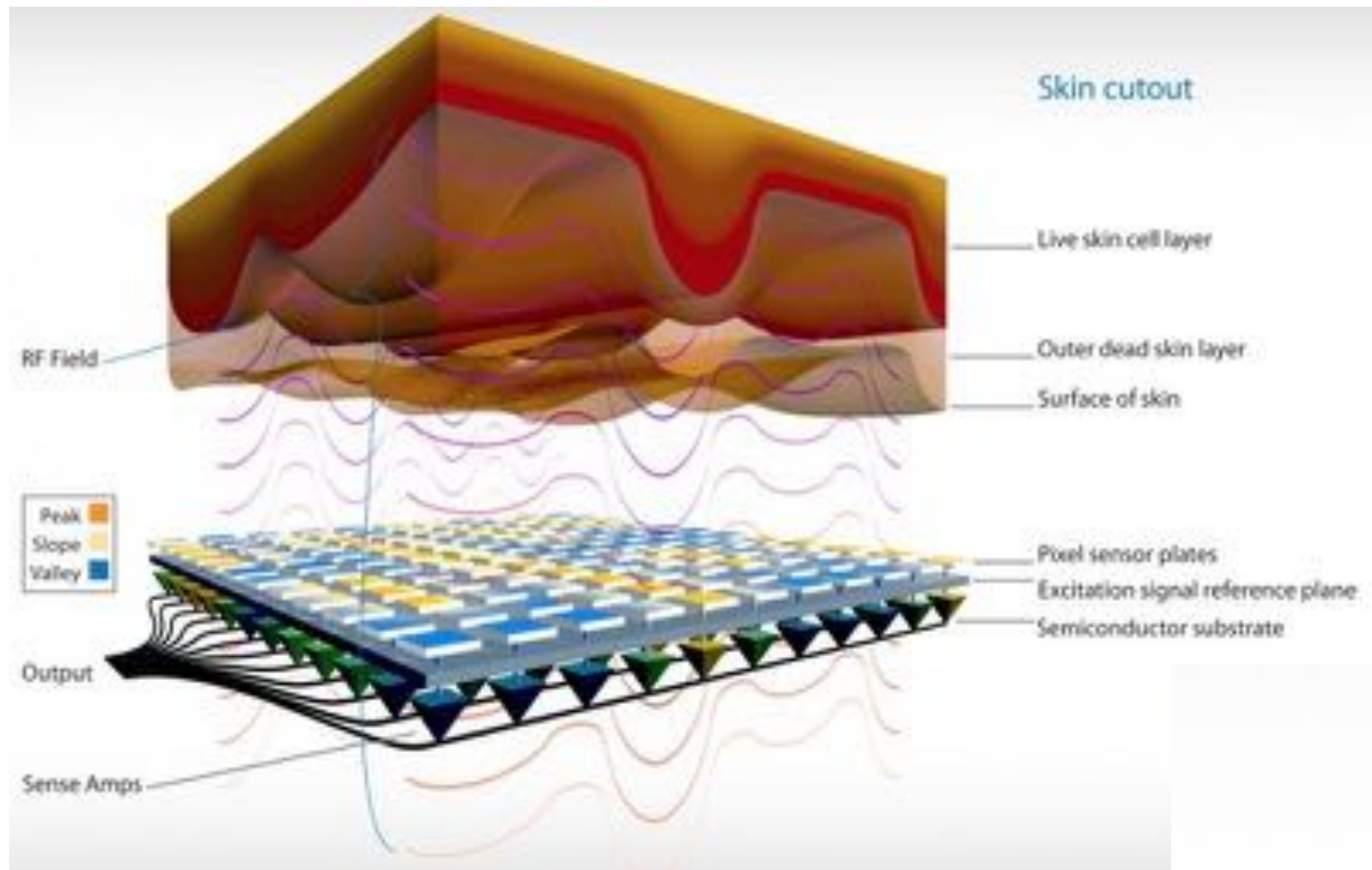
# Touch ID - Systematic

The technology  
behind Touch ID.





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Arch



Loop



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# Touch ID - Systematic





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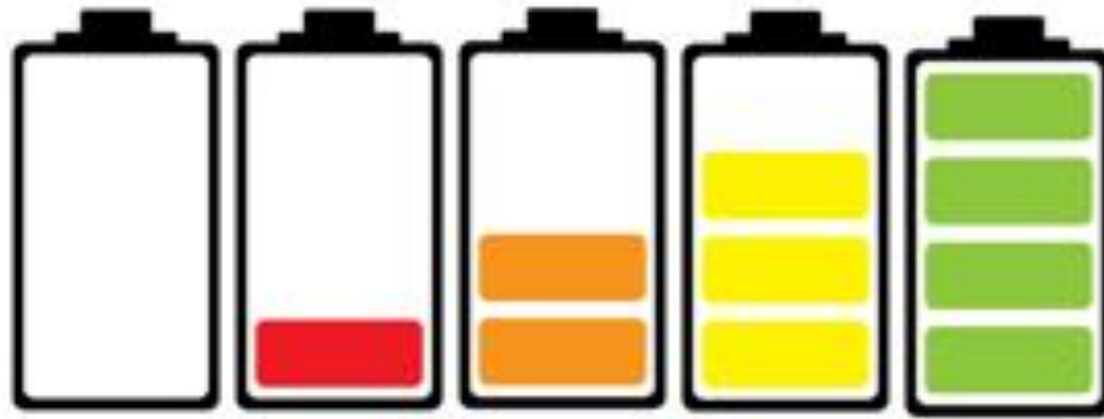
# Touch ID - Authentication

## The technology behind Touch ID.

There's a lot of technology at work below the Home button. Touch it and the surrounding ring detects your finger and wakes the sensor. The laser-cut sapphire crystal surface then directs the image of your finger to the sensor, which reads beneath the outer layers of your skin to create a digital fingerprint. Software then reads the ridge pattern of the fingerprint and finds the match to unlock the device.



# Built for Mobility

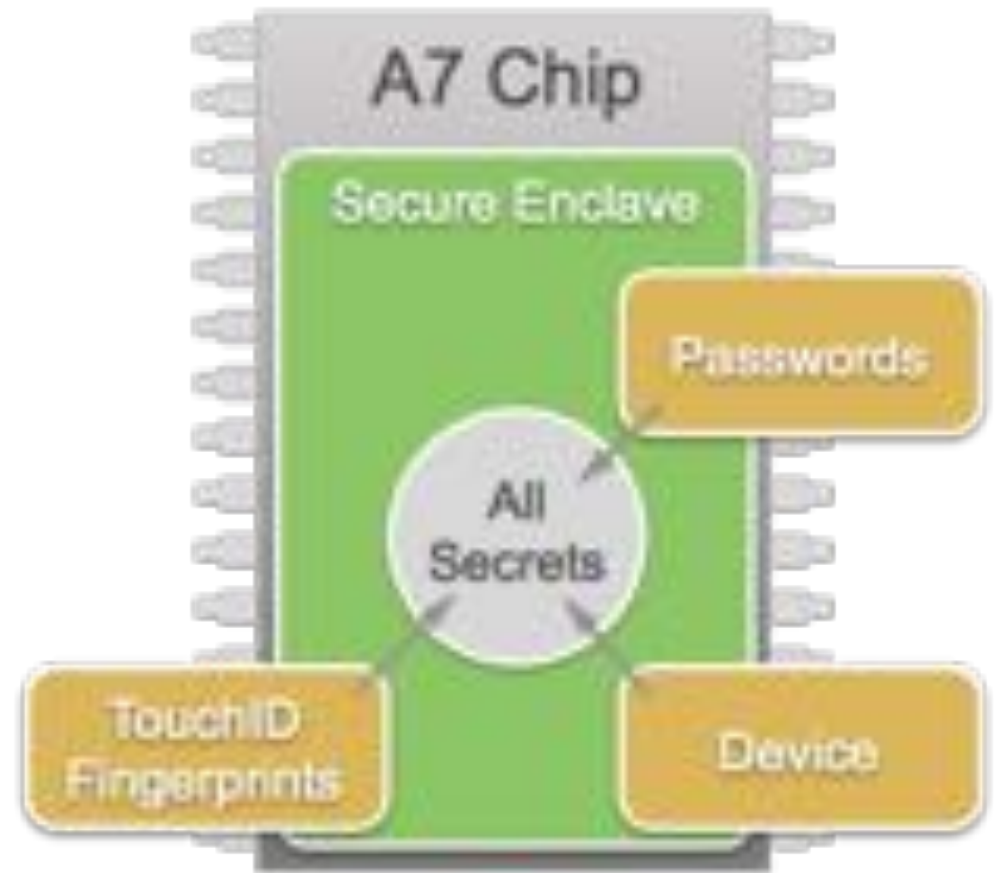
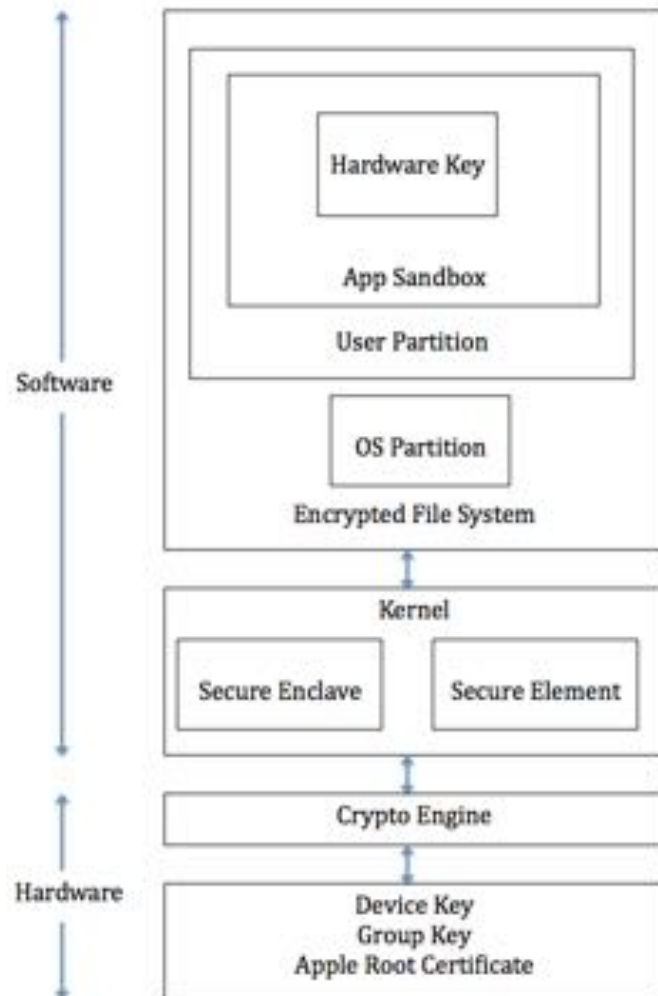


# Touch ID Security Architecture

- ★ SEP
- ★ Secure Boot Chain
- ★ A7



# A7 Secure Enclave Processor & FIPS POST

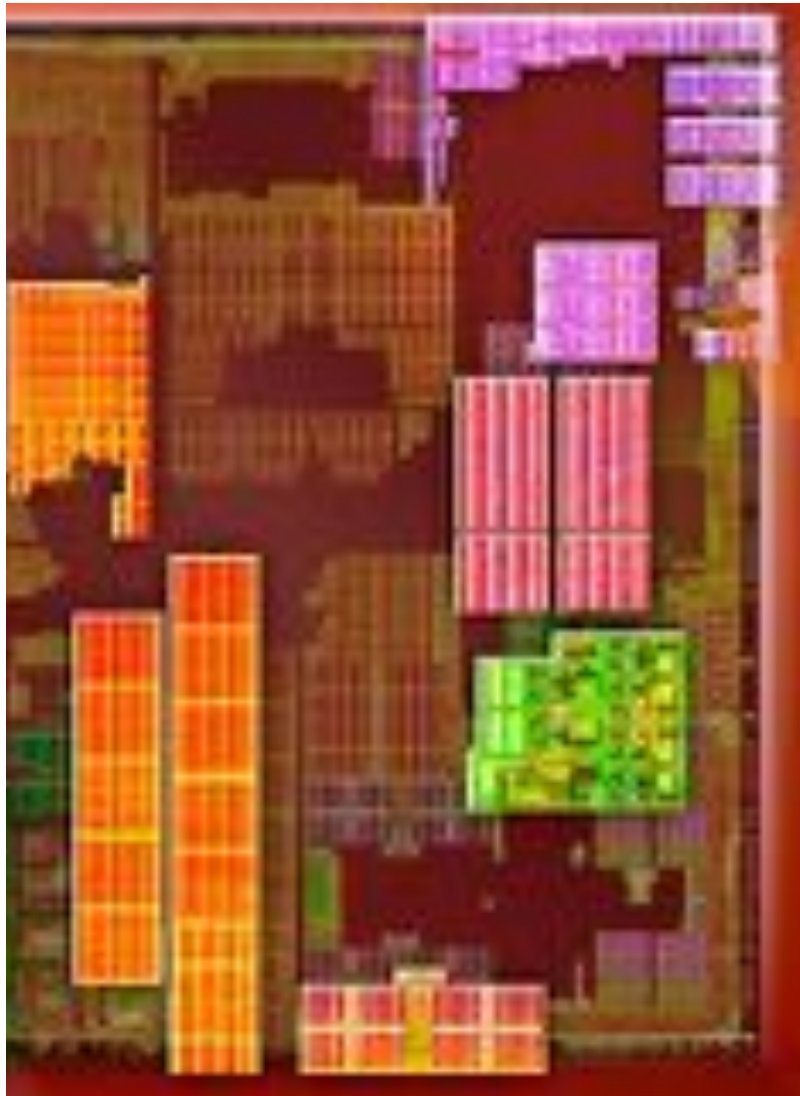




# Secure Boot Chain & Power-On-Self-Test



Intel Pentium



Apple A7



# Touch ID Security Architecture



# The Forged Fingerprint

## Methodology



# The Goals of the Forgery

- ★ Collect the fingerprint enrolled to Touch ID
- ★ Make a high accuracy 3D forgery of the fingerprint
- ★ Fool Touch ID into interpreting a live finger



# The Tradecraft of Forgery

- ★ Forensics “Crime Scene Investigation” methodologies
- ★ Scanning and Digitizing
- ★ Photo retouching
- ★ DIY Printed Circuit Board (PCB) Etching
- ★ Materials analysis, conductivity assessment
- ★ Moulding skin-like material



# Wild Fingerprints

## Latent Fingerprint

- composed of trace deposits of fat and sweat
- is not visible to the naked eye

## Patent Fingerprint

- is visible to the eye
- marked by a substance on the fingers

*If I can get the fingerprint, then I can bypass Touch ID*



# Fingerprinting Methods

## The “10-print”

- old ink and card methodology
- civilian, juvenile, and criminal fingerprints

## LiveScan Fingerprint

- An ink-less, electronic means of processing fingerprints
- high resolution scans

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# Let's get some prints.

Find a Latent Print...

- On the glassware
- On iPhone Home Button

Fingerprint Repositories

- Civilian 10-print
- Criminal 10-print
- Child Identification

Digital Photography Archives (Facebook, Websites, etc)

- Public speakers who gesture
- Surveillance tapes

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# Integrated Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS)

- 76 million criminal subjects
- 34 million civilian 10-prints
- e-exchange to +18,000 entities internationally
- 24 / 7 / 365 access
- no apparent retention policy

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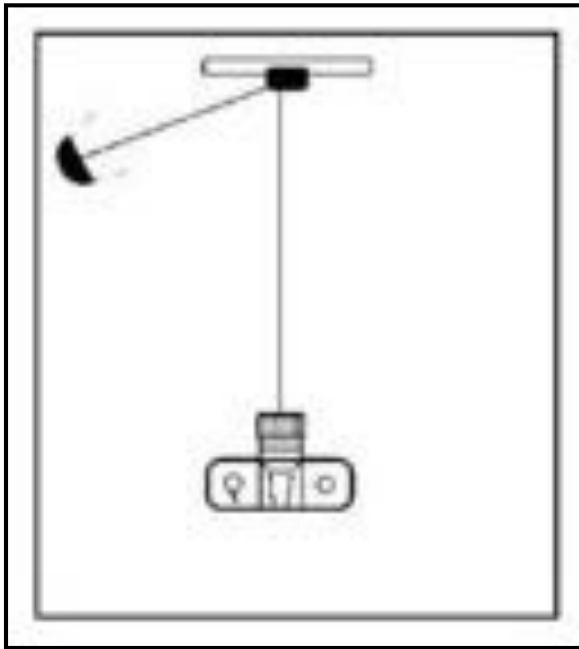
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# The Nuance of Illusion

But latent fingerprints on the iPhone are invisible. Now what?

- Oblique lighting uses a light source positioned at a low angle
- Shows detail by creating shadows on the surface

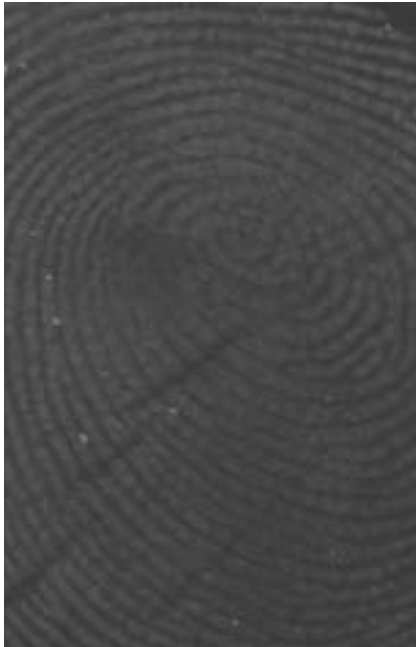


*Between subtle shading and the absence of light...*

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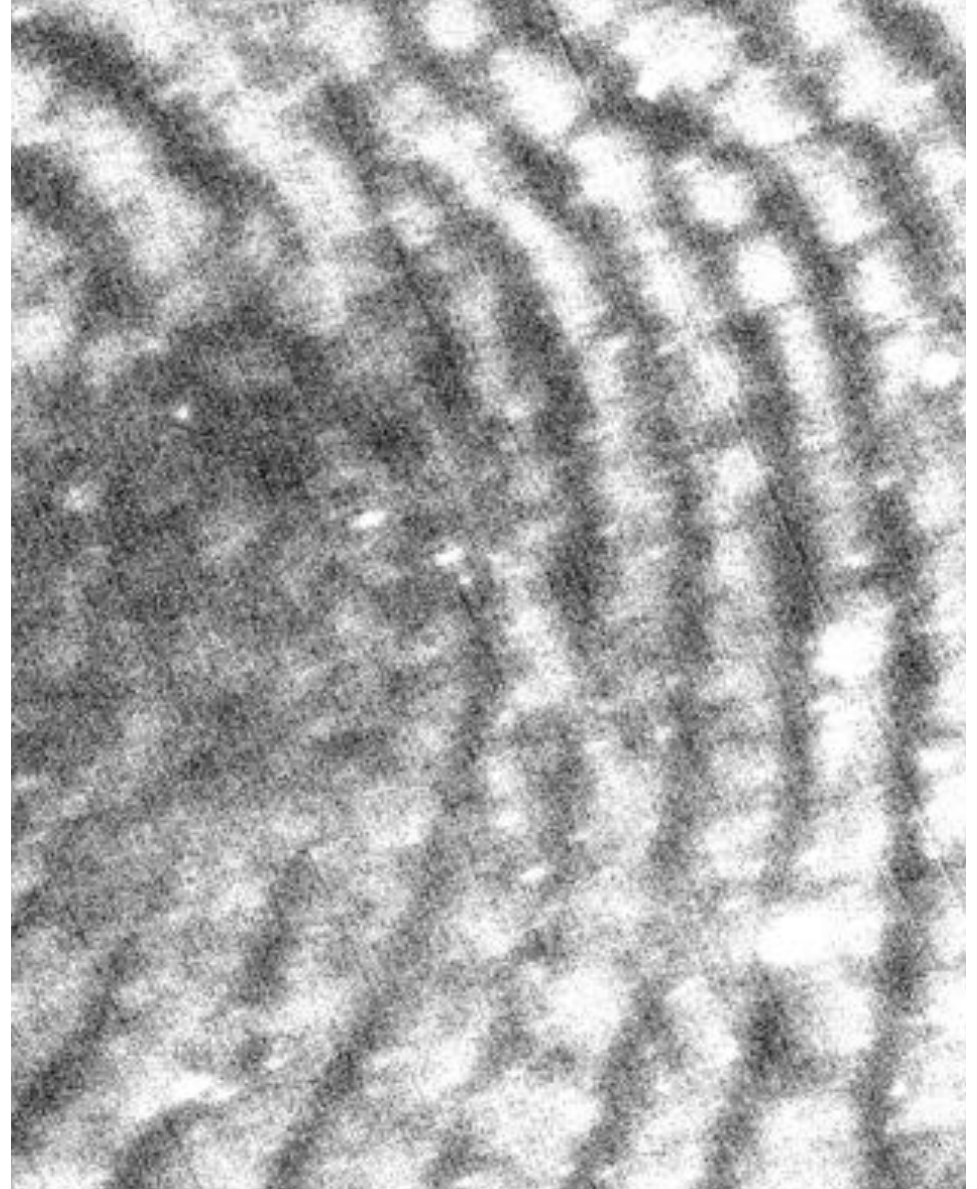
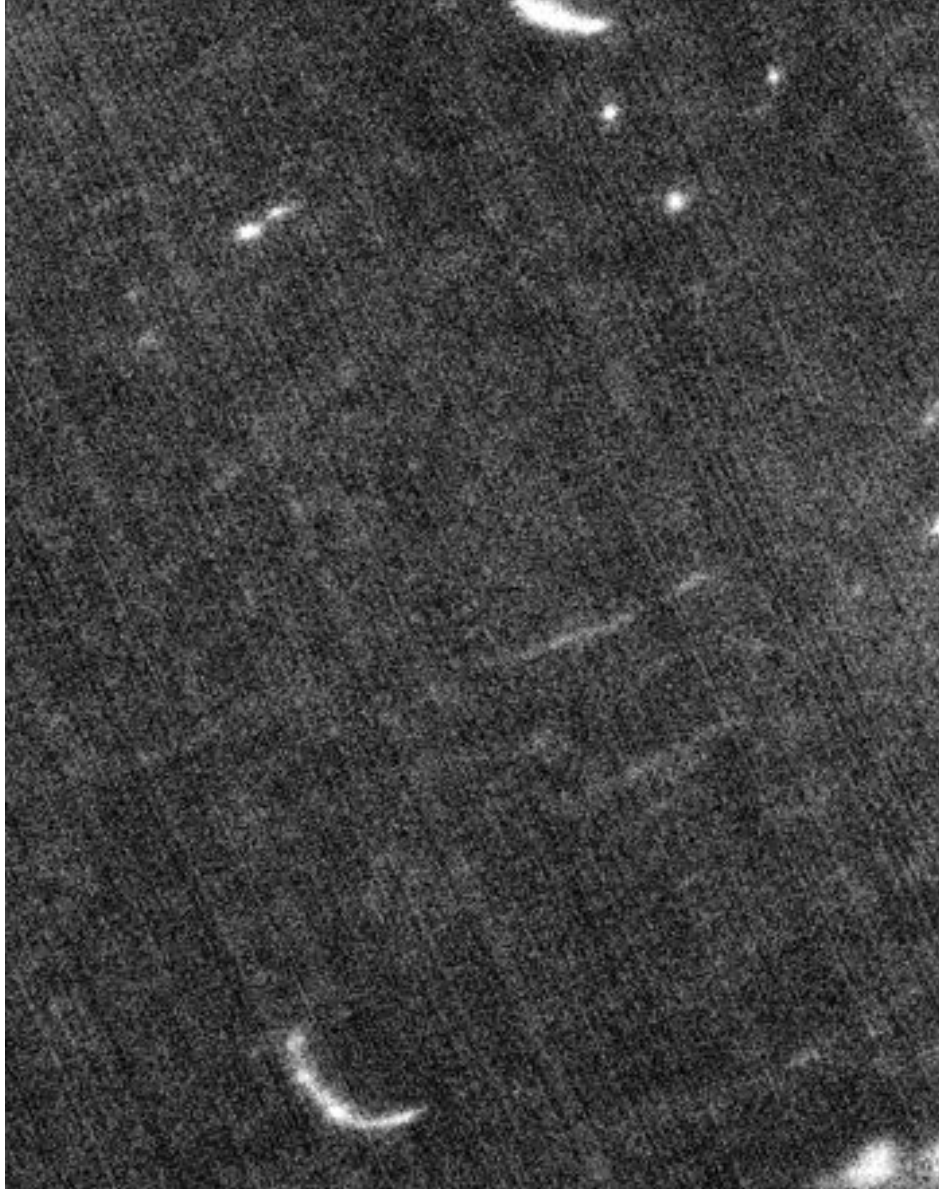
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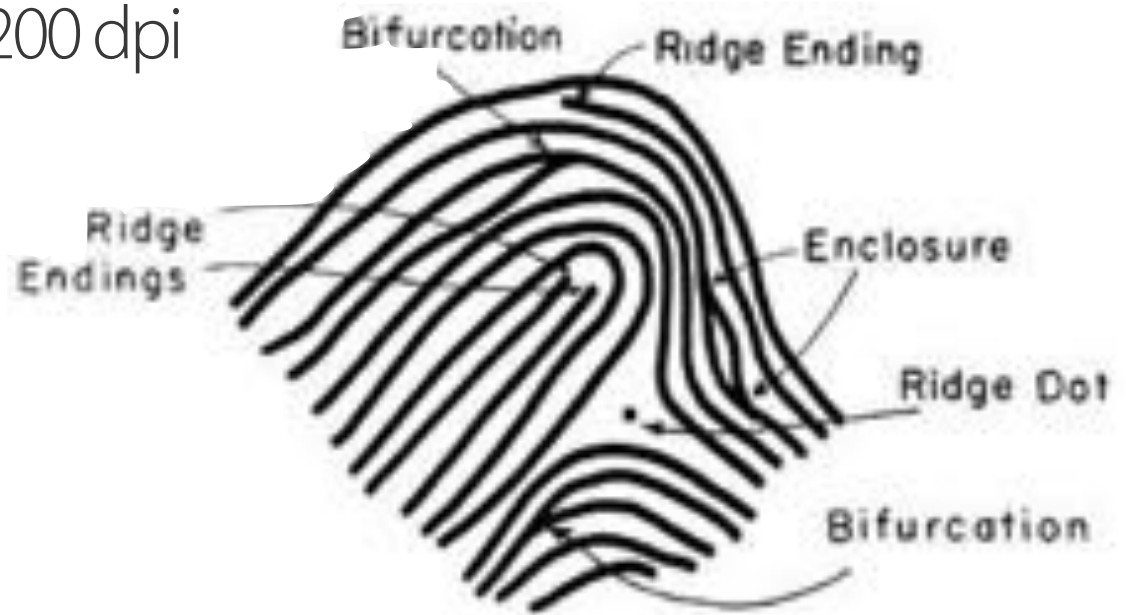


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# Key Take-aways

- Ridges are white, furrows are black
- Don't destroy the minutiae
- Invert, then Mirror (Flip Horizontally)
- Scan 4800 dpi , Export 1200 dpi

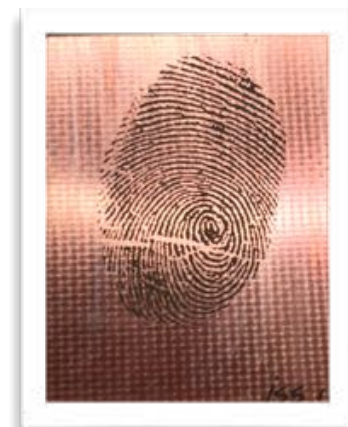


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# Building the 3D Mould

**Challenge:** Build a mould capable of producing a 3D replica of the finger pad complete with ridges identical in depth and pattern to the source fingerprint

**Response:** Dermal fingerprint ridges are 20-50 microns deep. The copper layer of a printed circuit board (PCB) is 34 microns thick, and can be custom etched using a chemical process.



*I have the fingerprint! Now what?*

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# Printed Circuit Boards (PCB)

- Used by DIY computer enthusiasts to prototype unique circuit board designs
- Also great for forgery!

3 Stages:

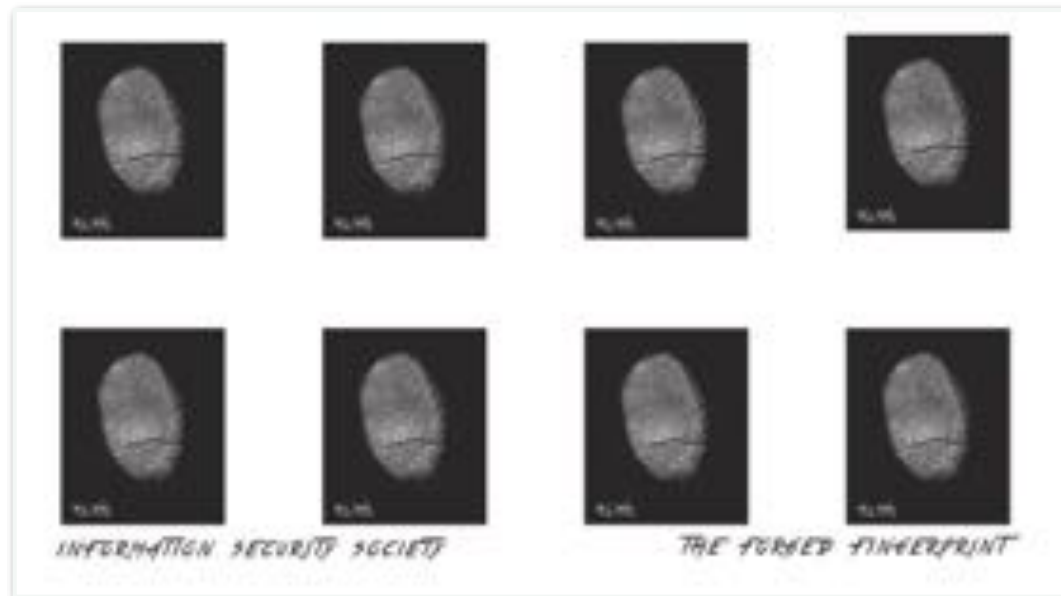
- ★ Ink Mask
- ★ Toner Transfer Method
- ★ Chemical Etching



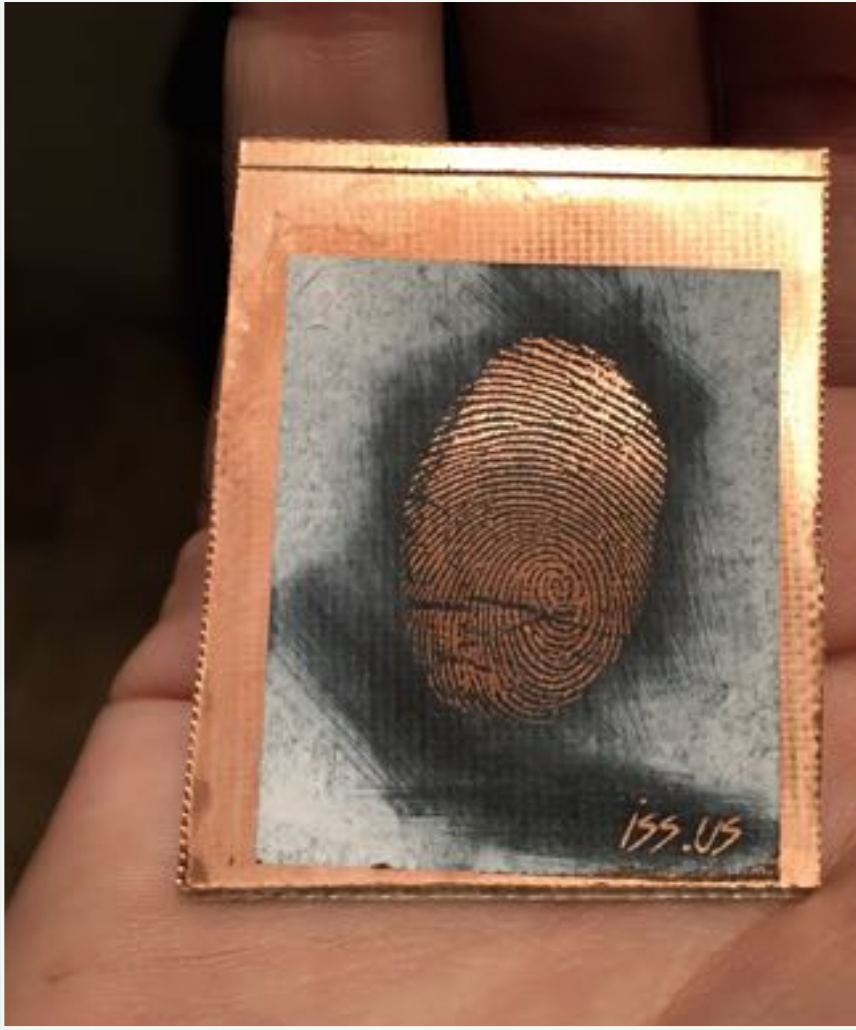


# The Ink Mask

- A laser printed template of the PCB design
- Printed onto "HP Brochure" or glossy paper
- Must be made with a Laser Printer



# Toner Transfer



In PCB etching methodology, “toner transfer” is defined as the process of transferring laser toner to copper using thermal conduction



# Chemical Etching

- The method by which unmasked copper on the board is corroded and shaped using a chemical bath composed of ferric chloride or other corrosive agents
- PCB is submerged for up to 20 minutes or until all excess copper is gone



# Zombie Children and Processes that Fail.



## Challenge

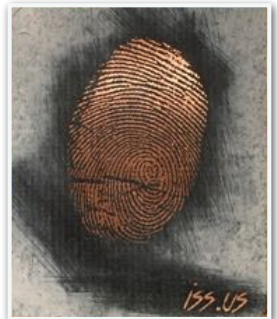
- Ink won't stick to copper board

## Response

- Ensure board is heating evenly and to the high temperature required for toner transfer

*What we have here is a failure to exfoliate.*

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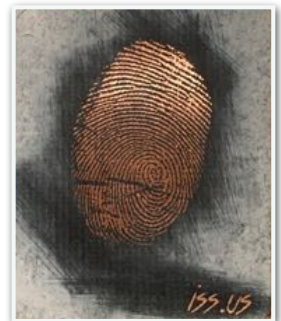


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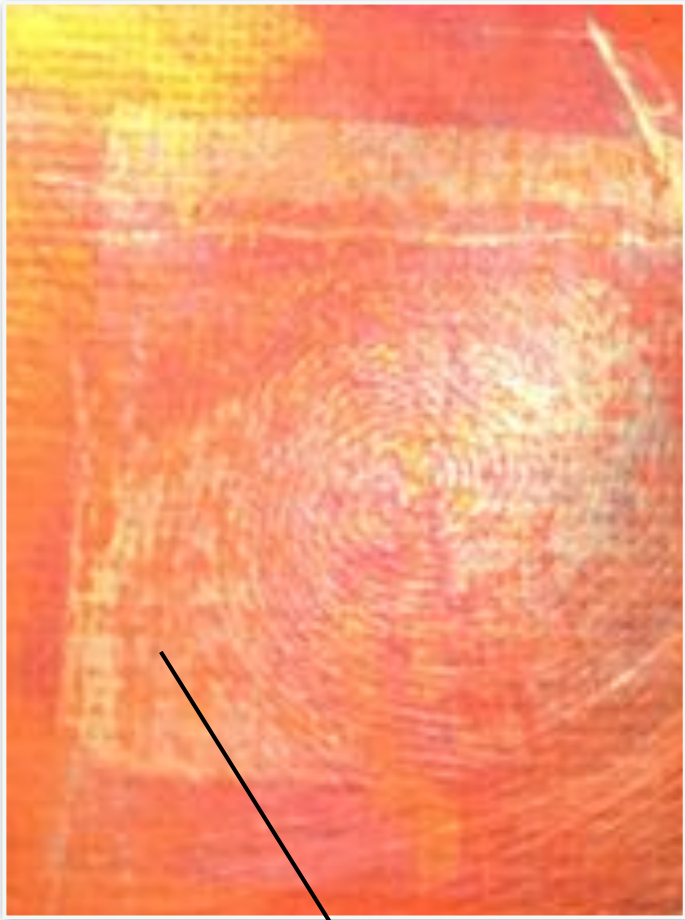
- Wear nitrile gloves at all times
- Ensure board is free of contaminants
- Buff w/ 2000 grain jeweler's sandpaper



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# Before and After

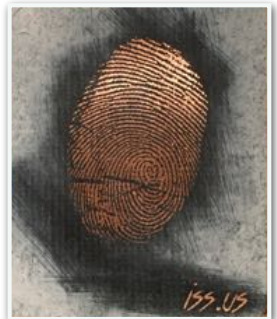


actual color



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## Challenge

- Heavy paper residue sticking to ink

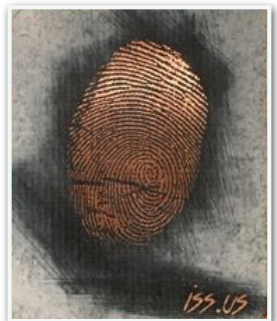
## Response

- paper is getting too hot and re-absorbing ink into it's core
- Limit to 90 seconds in the heat press



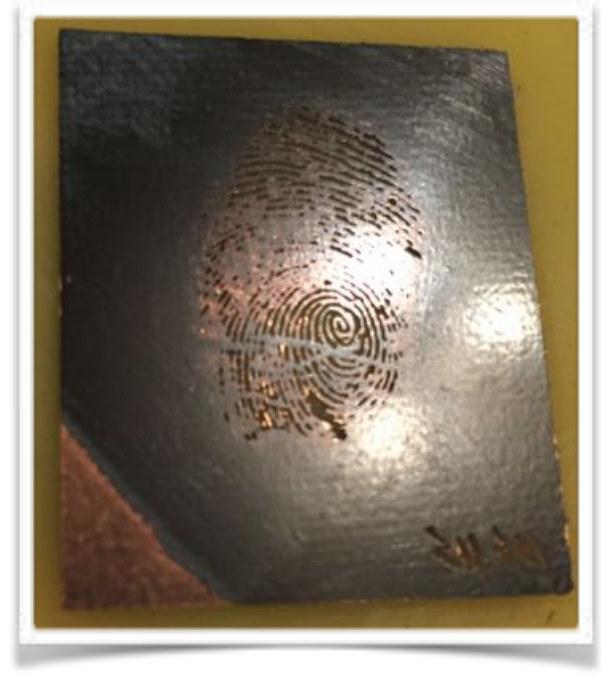
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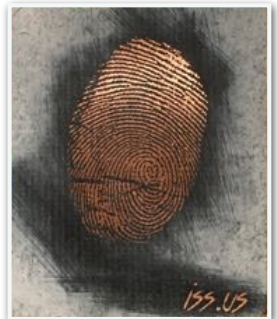
- Ink is too thick, ridge data disappearing due to bleeding ink

## Response

- reduce toner output in printer dialogue

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# Mould Prototype



# The Forged Fingerprint



## Specifications

- No thicker than a credit card
- Readable surface larger than home button
- Must read as a "live finger"

## Materials

- Wood Glue
- Glycerine
- Graphite Lube



# Demo

# The Forged Fingerprint



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# Lab

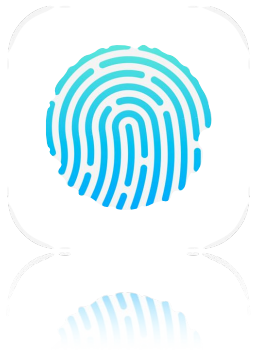
Did you bypass Touch ID with a Forged  
Fingerprint at PSU Mac Conference 2015?

Please Tweet, and get the word out!

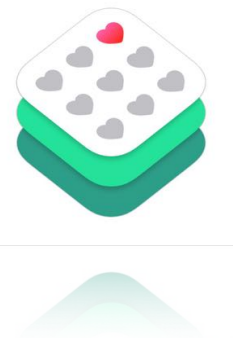
I just #HackedTouchID w/ a #ForgedFingerprint  
at #psumac HT @ivydigital (insert photo)

100 participants = 100 Bypasses - Can we do it?

# Biometrics & The Future



*"Hi, my name is \*\*\*\*\*."*



# iOS Device Sensors

GPS Sensor

Audio Sensor

Infrared Sensor

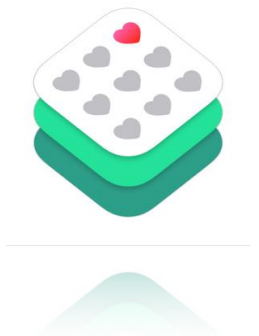
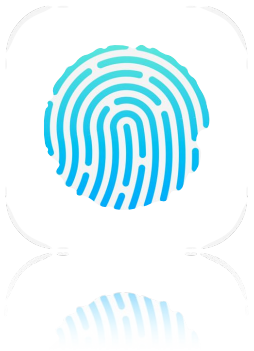
Accelerometer

Capacitive Sensor

Magnetometer

Gyroscope

Camera Sensor





# Biometric Technologies



TouchID

- ★ Fingerprint identity sensor built into home button
- ★ Provides on demand authentication for iPhone and ApplePay
- ★ Secure Enclave Processor for biometric data store



ResearchKit

- ★ Provides platform for big biometric data
- ★ Promotes deep mining for biometric identifiers
- ★ Opens a new surface for biometric authentication

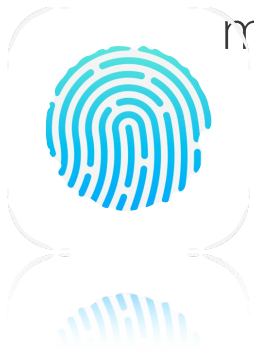
*"My voice is my passport."*

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# DARPA

## Active Authentication Program

- ★ Context-aware active authentication using smartphone accelerometer measurements
- ★ Provides “ways your computer or cell phone would know you are you”
- ★ Utilization of onboard sensors such as accelerometer, magnetometer, gyroscope
- ★ Provides identification of humans or their activities based on body



movement patterns



# Biometric Technologies



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ResearchKit

*"Verify Me."*