

# V-ReseArch<sup>edu</sup>

Research & Development for Cybersecurity Engineering

Web Cybersecurity – L0

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# Agenda

## An introduction to Cybersecurity [theory 1h]

- #whoami & course overview
- Beliefs on Cybersecurity
- Infosec and the CIA-triad evolution (1970-today)
- Attacker vs Hacker, Blue and Red Teams, ...
- Hacker Ethics and Laws against Attackers
- Cybersecurity Resources: CVE, CWE, CAPEC, WASC, NVD
- Cybersecurity Resources: OWASP, DEFCON, PHRAK, IEEE S&P

*Coffee break [10m]*

## LAB CONFIGURATION [1h]

### Hacking the HTTP [theory 30m + lab 1h30m]

- The WebGoat platform [15m]
- The HTTP protocol and the Client-Server architecture [15m]
- Webgoat lesson (General->HTTPBasic) [1h30m]
  - ZAP HUD Tutorial [OPTIONAL]

2012



2013

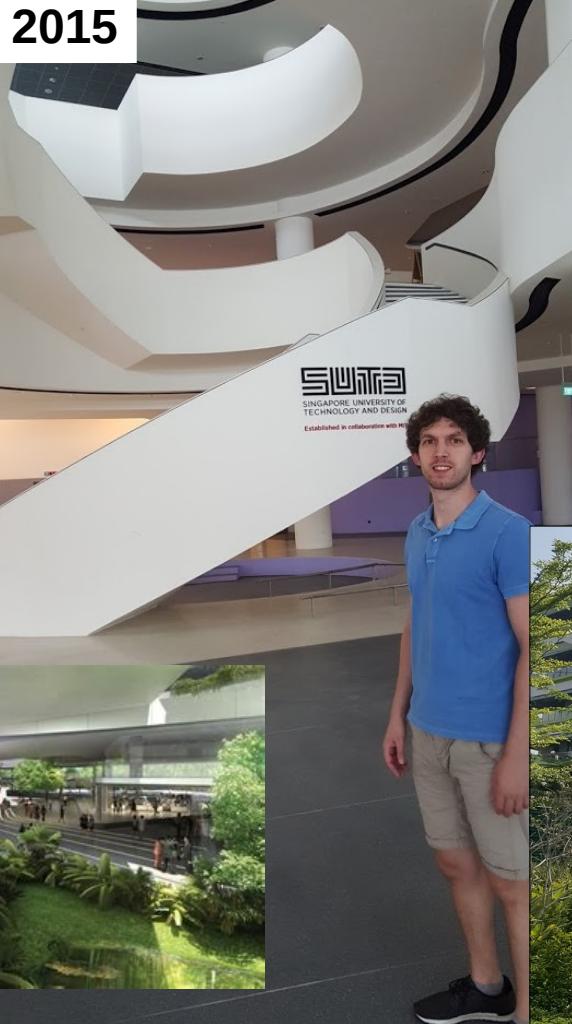


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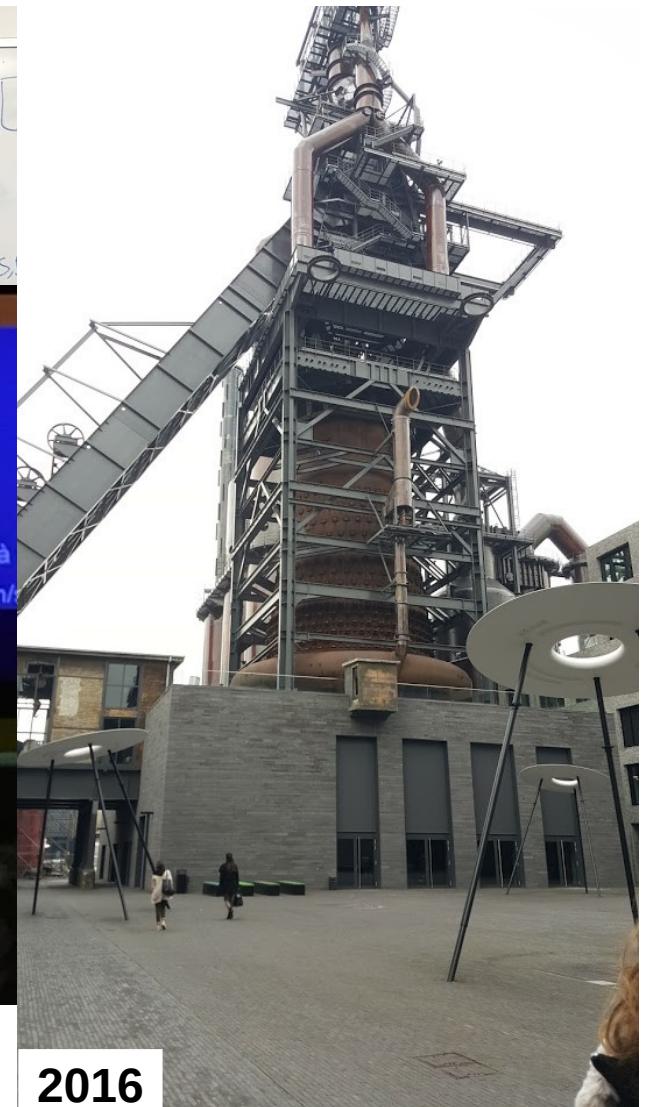
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2018



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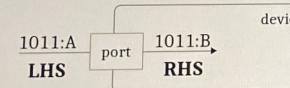
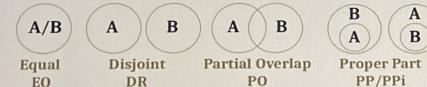


2020

## Cybersecurity Weakness Prediction (RIDI-Hypothesis)

In the ABF-Framework there exist **3 categories of weaknesses**:

- B/F errors in *behaviors* (functional architecture)
- A/F errors in *communications* (channels)
- A/B errors in *translations* (ports)



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Given a calc  
Connection  
over a ...  
Each category has 4 weaknesses

	RCC Calculus	LHS	RHS
nominal	EQ	x	$y = x$
replace	DR	x	$y \neq x$
insert	PP	x	$y = x \cdot x'$
delete	PPi	x	$y \subset x$
inject	PO	x	$y = x' \cdot y', x' \subset x, y' \neq x$



There are other (similar) weaknesses:  
Selective drop  
Selective drop+insert





2019



# Raspberry Pi – ESP8266

## Raspberry Pi

- Mini computer
- Dotato di pin GPIO
- Raspbian Stretch



## ESP8266

- Circuito integrato
- Dotato di pin GPIO
- Integra un modulo WiFi
- Buon quantitativo di RAM per l'uso in campo IoT



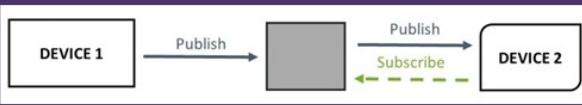
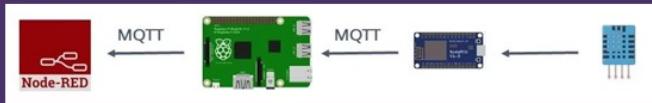
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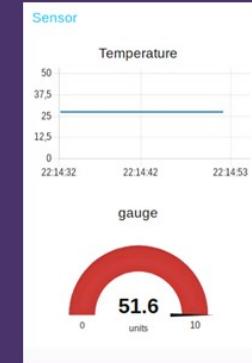
# IoT

## Publish / Subscribe System

- Un server MQTT riceve, memorizza e rende disponibili i dati
- I client pubblicano dati in determinati «Topic» o vi si iscrivono per visualizzarne il contenuto



```
mqtt_esp8266
74void loop() {
75
76    if (!client.connected()) {
77        reconnect();
78    }
79    if(!client.loop())
80        client.connect("ESP8266Client");
81
82    now = millis();
83    // Publishes new temperature and humidity every 30 seconds
84    if (now - lastMeasure > 10000) {
85        lastMeasure = now;
86        // These measures may also be up to 2 seconds "old" (its a very slow sensor)
87        float h = dht.readHumidity();
88        // Read temperature as Celsius (the default)
89        float t = dht.readTemperature(false);
90
91        // Verifica lettura. Se una lettura fallisce, si esce e si ritenta
92        if (isnan(h) || isnan(t)) {
93            Serial.println("Lettura fallita dal DHT22");
94            return;
95        }
96
97        // Compute temperature values in Celsius
98        float hic = dht.computeHeatIndex(t, h, false);
99        static char temperatureTemp[7];
100        dtostrf(hic, 6, 2, temperatureTemp);
101
102        static char humidityTemp[7];
103        dtostrf(h, 6, 2, humidityTemp);
104
105        // Publishes Temperature and Humidity values
106        client.publish("room/temperature", temperatureTemp);
107        client.publish("room/humidity", humidityTemp);
108
109        Serial.print("Humidity: ");
110        Serial.print(h);
111        Serial.print("Temperature: ");
112        Serial.print(t);}
```



# IoT

# What is Cybersecurity? Everybody knows vs Nobody knows

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# The CIA-Triad

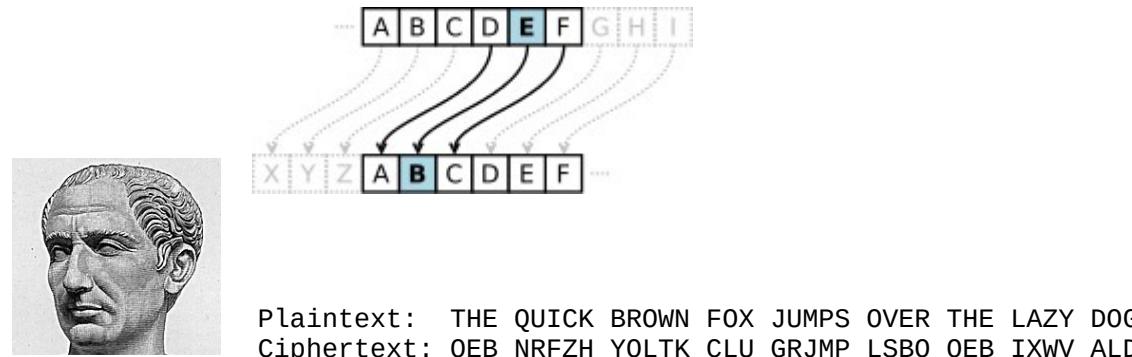
**Unauthorized information release (Confidentiality):** an unauthorized person is able to read and take advantage of information stored in the computer. This category of concern sometimes extends to “traffic analysis,” in which the intruder only observes the patterns of information use. From those patterns, the intruder can infer some information content. This category also includes the unauthorized use of a proprietary program.

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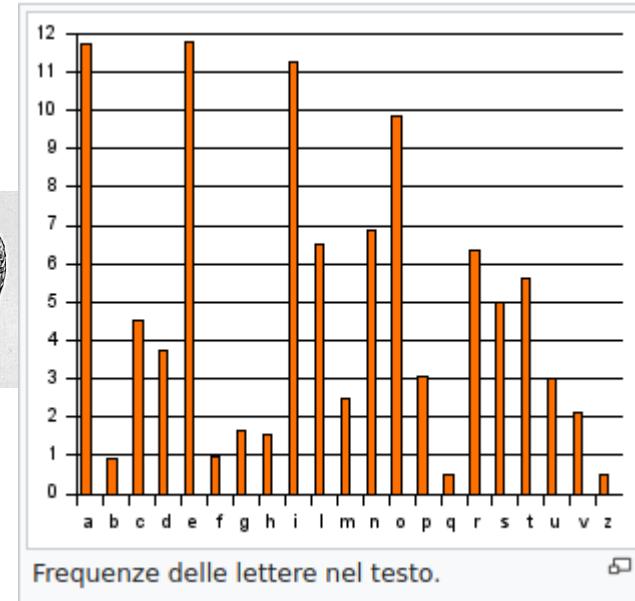
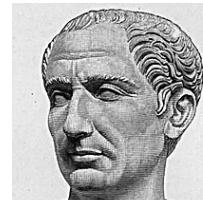
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<https://md5decrypt.net/en/Caesar/>

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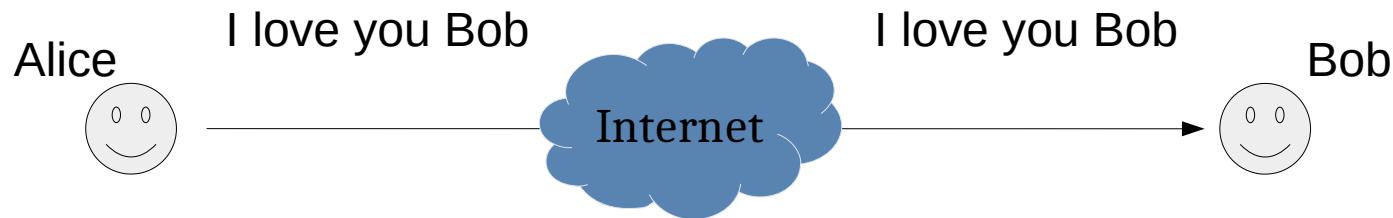
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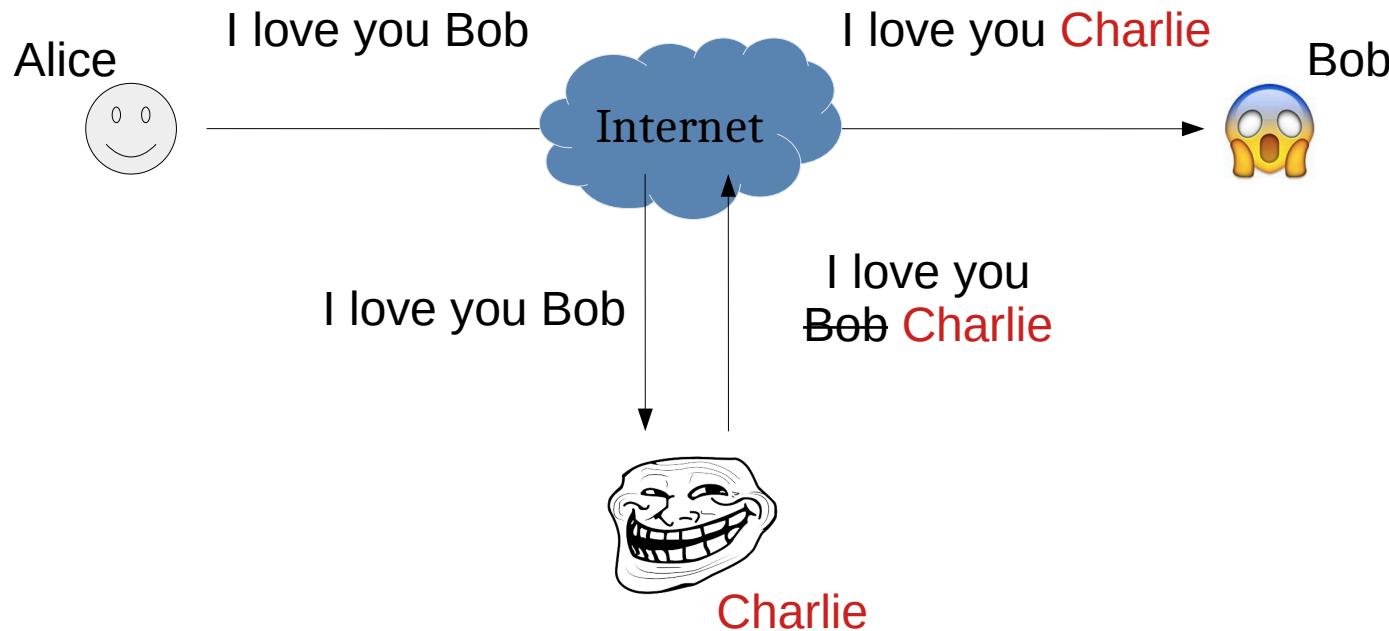
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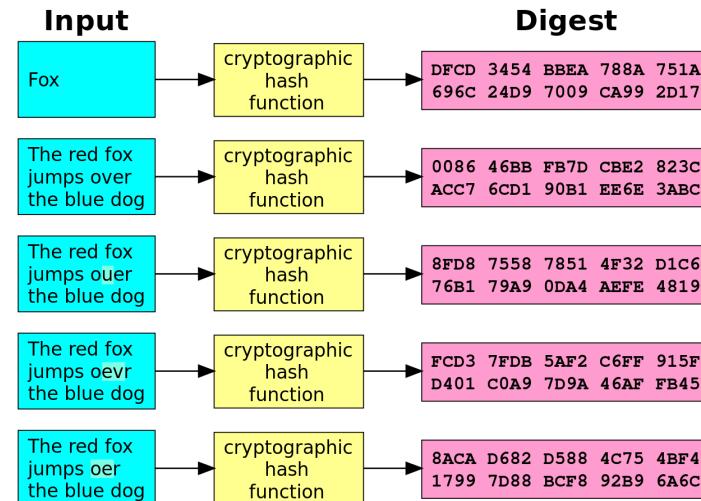
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The ideal cryptographic hash function has the following main properties:

- 1) it is deterministic, meaning that the same message always results in the same hash
- 2) it is quick to compute the hash value for any given message
- 3) it is infeasible to generate a message that yields a given hash value  
(i.e. to reverse the process that generated the given hash value)
- 4) it is infeasible to find two different messages with the same hash value
- 5) a small change to a message should change the hash value so extensively that the new hash value appears uncorrelated with the old hash value (avalanche effect)

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# Beyond the CIA-Triad?

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**Have you ever heard of (or can you come up with)  
any other cybersecurity property?**

# Evolution of Security Properties

Year	Definition	Legend
1970s	infosec = CIA	Confidentiality, Integrity, Availability
1980s	infosec += (Au, nR)	Authenticity and non-Repudiation
1990s	infosec += CSpec	Correctness in Specification
2000s	infosec += RITE	Responsibility, Integrity of people, Trust, Ethicality

Table 3: Chronological progression of the CIA triad

**Confidentiality:** protects information from being accessed/understood by non-authorized parties

**Integrity:** makes it evident if information is modified by non-authorized parties

**Availability:** information is accessible to authorized parties

**Authenticity:** guarantees the identity of a party

**Non-repudiation:** guarantees that a party cannot dispute its authorship

**Anonymity:** hiding the (real) identity of a party

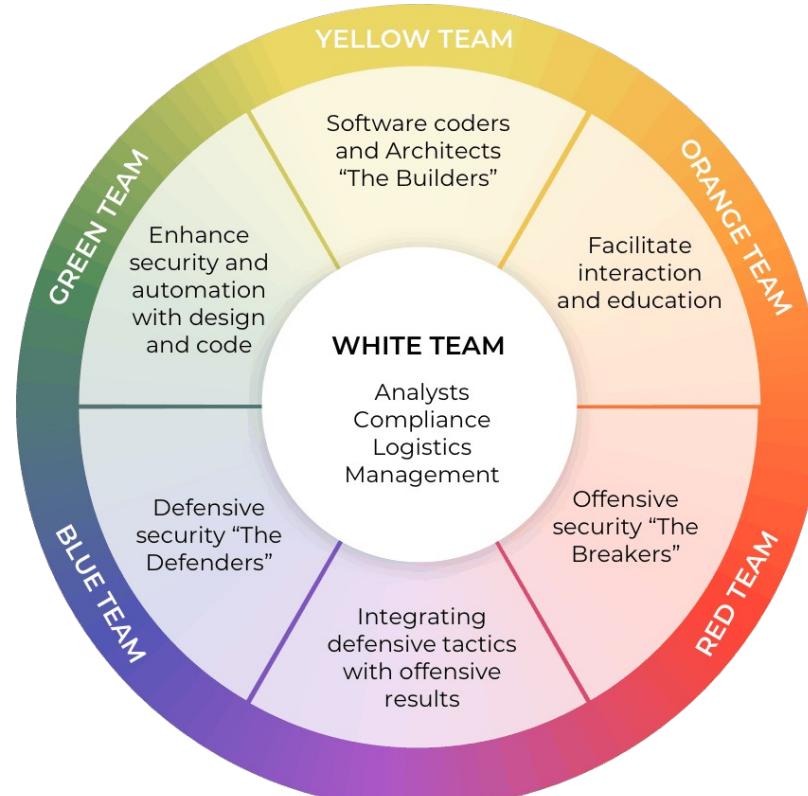
**Trust?** How do you know that my name is Marco? Do you trust Google? Myself? Someone who knows me?

# Hacker? Red Team? Blue Team?

The **hacker culture** is a subculture of individuals who enjoy the intellectual challenge of creatively overcoming limitations of software systems to achieve novel and clever outcomes

A **security hacker** is someone who explores methods for breaching defenses and exploiting weaknesses in a computer system or network

Defend to Defend



Attack to Defend



@aprilwright

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  3. Still want to join the dark side? **Please don't!**



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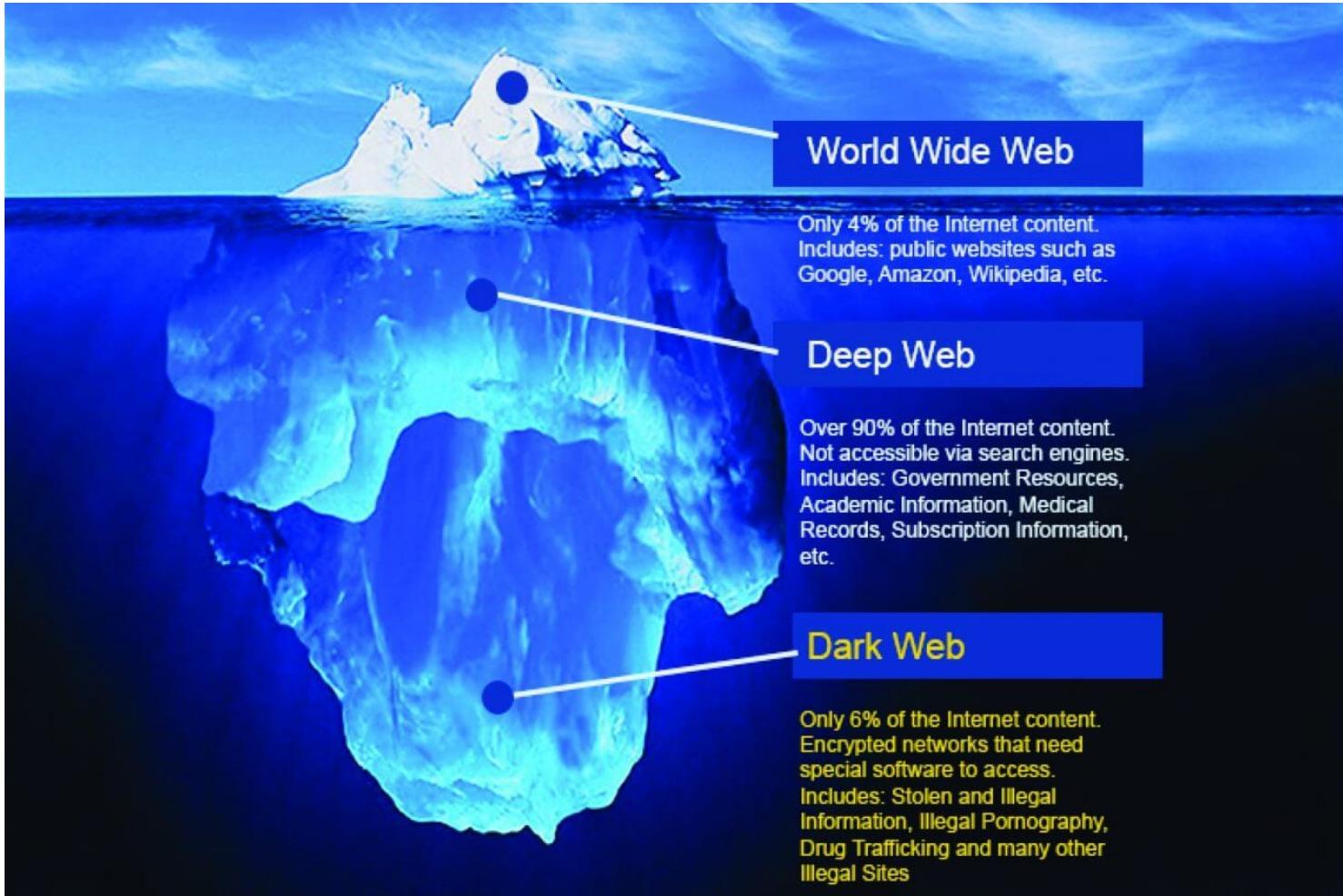


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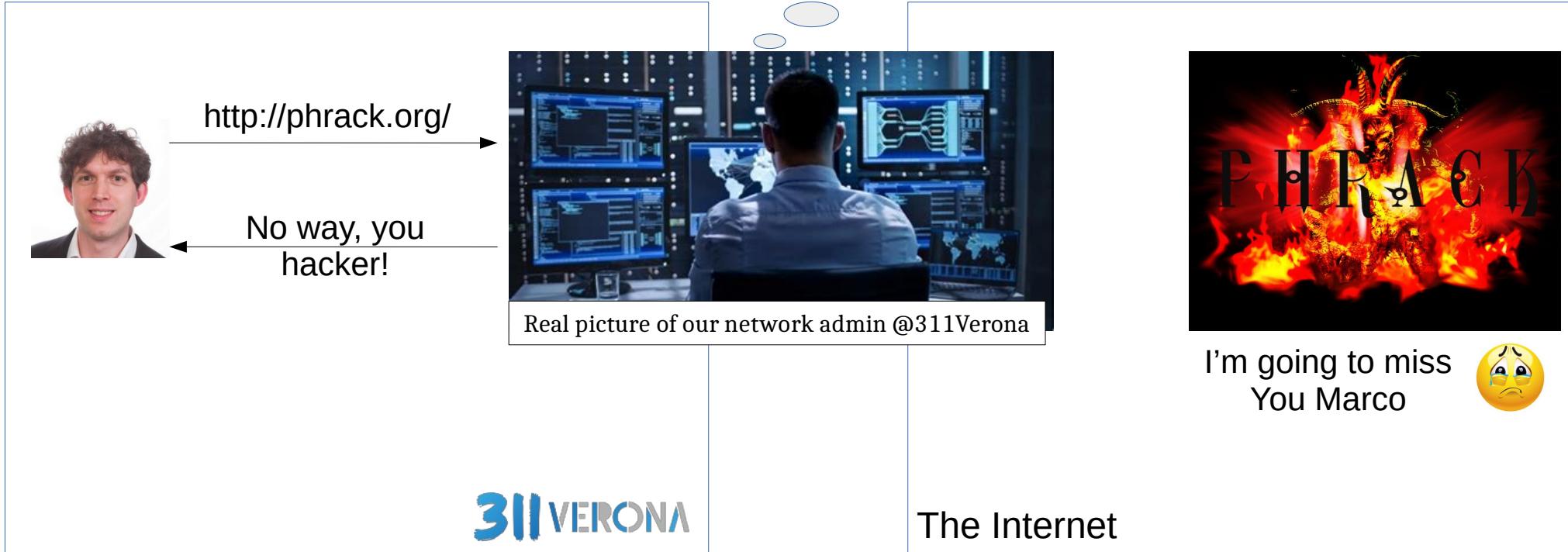
Ok, let's **join the dark side** and **bypass the controls** that limits our freedom to read PHRAK @311Verona



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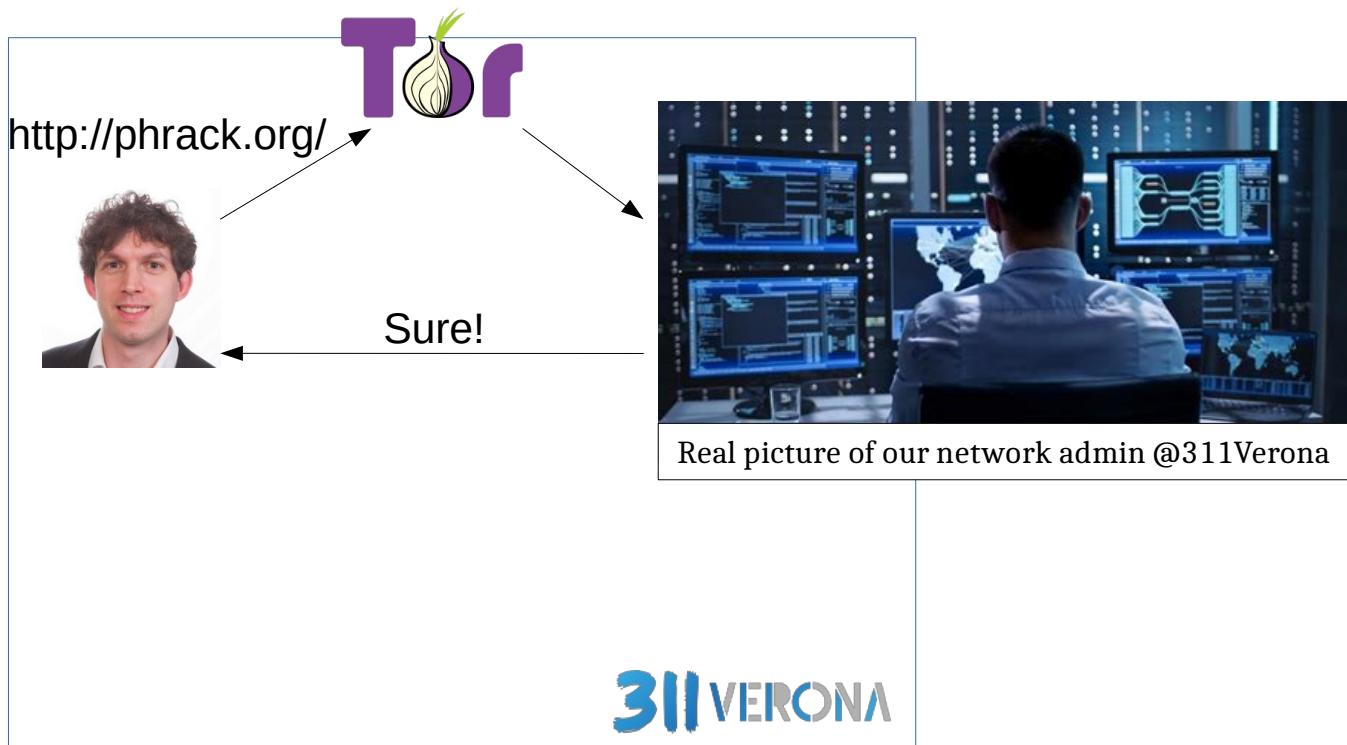


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<https://www.torproject.org/download/>

Defend yourself.

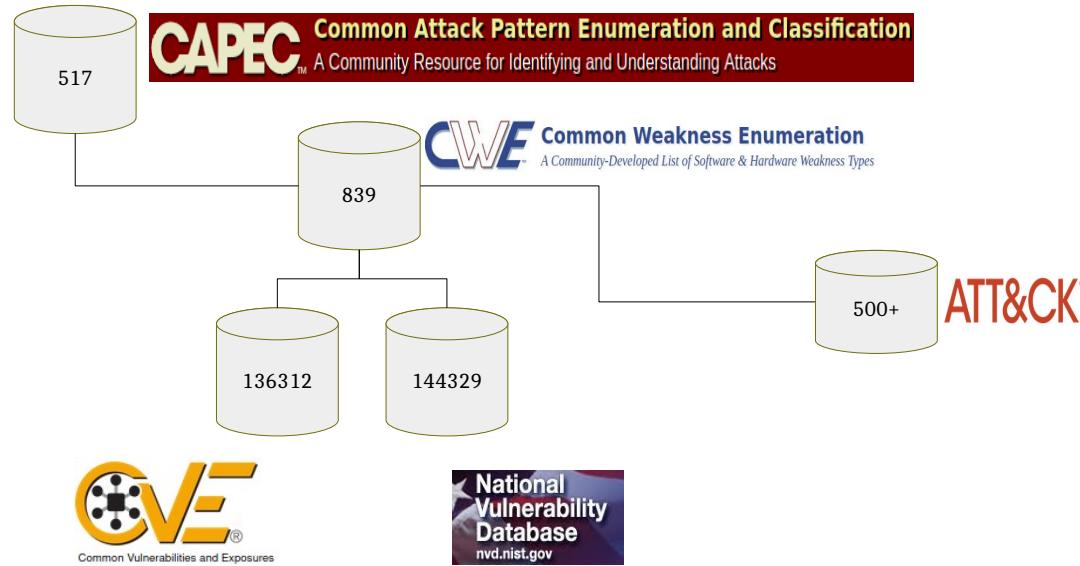
Protect yourself against tracking, surveillance, and censorship.



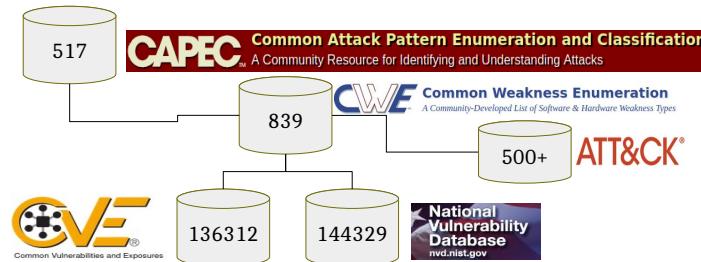
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Well, you must wait  
Until L3 :)

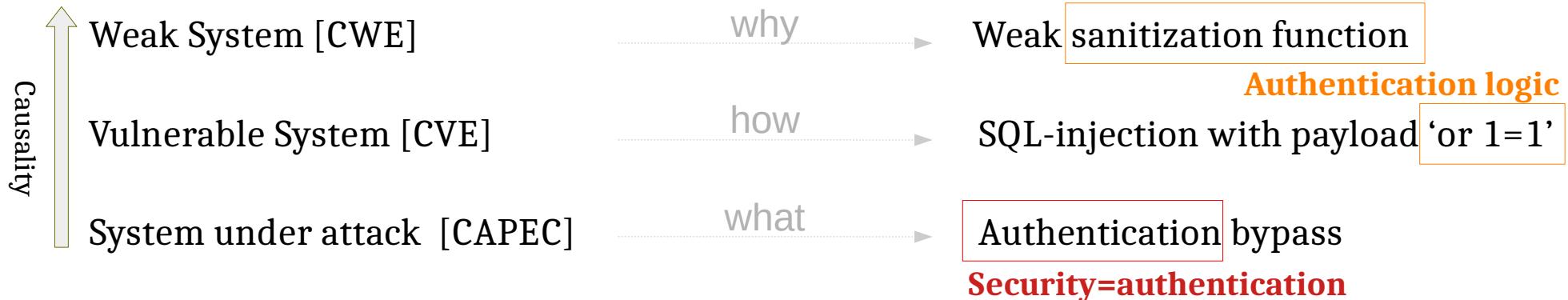
# Online Resources (for the practical person)



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## Errors



## Online Resources (for the various hacker)



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<https://owasp.org/>



<https://www.ieee-security.org/TC/SP2021/>



<https://defcon.org/>

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