

Introduction

CS 161: Computer Security

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Course Size

- The course has reached its capacity (= room, TAs) of 481 students ...
- ... with many more on the waiting list
- *We do not have resources available to expand further*
 - If you're enrolled & decide not to take it, please drop ASAP

What is Computer Security?

- Keeping computing systems functioning as intended
 - Free of **abuse**
- Keeping data we care about accessed only as desired
- Securing **access** to our resources & capabilities
- Enabling privacy and anonymity
 - *If* these fit with our usage goals
- Doing all of this:
 - ... in the presence of an **adversary**
 - and on a **budget**

What Makes Security Challenging?

- Intelligent adversary can induce “**zero probability**” faults!
- Difficult to reason about our systems’ security
 - Blinded by abstractions; **attackers cheat!**
- An evolving field:
 - **Arms race** (“co-evolution”) ...
 - ... and computing itself keeps evolving
- **Asymmetries:**
 - Must defend everywhere; attacker **chooses** where to attack
 - Defenses are public, attacker tests/develops in private
 - Attackers are **nimble**; defenders have **sunk costs**

What Makes Security Challenging?, con't

- Minimal **deterrence**
 - Internet's flexibility hugely facilitates anonymity (if you're willing to break the law)
- Security comes with costs **\$\$\$** ...
 - Overhead
 - Time-to-market
- ... and you often don't see its benefits
 - Difficult to measure the gains, other than a **lack of disaster**

Some General Themes

- Computers do **precisely** what they're told
- **Code** is **data** & **data** is **code**
- Our lust for flexibility & features in our systems creates all sorts of vulnerabilities
- Our (very powerful) masking of the complexity of our systems leaves our users vulnerable due to **foggy** “**mental models**”
- Our general security goal is **risk management**, **not** bullet-proof protection

A Class Poll

- I'm going to make a statement and ask you to
 - (1) **discuss** it with a seatmate, and then
 - (2) **hum** in support of one of the following cases:
 - I think there's no chance of this.
 - I think there's a small possibility of this.
 - I think it's likely.
 - I think it's certain.
 - I don't know.
- Everyone should **hum** for (exactly) one of these.
- Then I'll ask **volunteers** from each case to explain their reasoning.
- ***There Is No Right Or Wrong Answer***

Statement

- *While attending this lecture, your laptop / mobile device has been hacked into by the CS161 staff.*
- Time to **discuss** with your seatmate
- Time to **hum**:
 - I think there's no chance of this.
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 - I think it's certain.
 - I don't know.
- **Volunteers?**

Themes :

Trust

Ethics

Worrisome complexity

Threat model

What Will You Learn In This Class?

- How to **think adversarially** about computer systems
- How to **assess threats** for their significance
- How to build programs & systems w/ **robust security properties**
- How to gauge the protections / limitations provided by today's technology
- How attacks work in practice
 - **Code injection, logic errors, browser & web server vulnerabilities, network threats, social engineering**

What's Involved in the Learning?

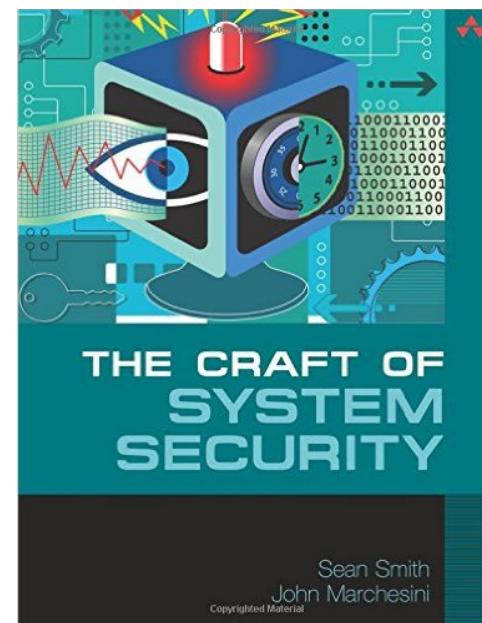
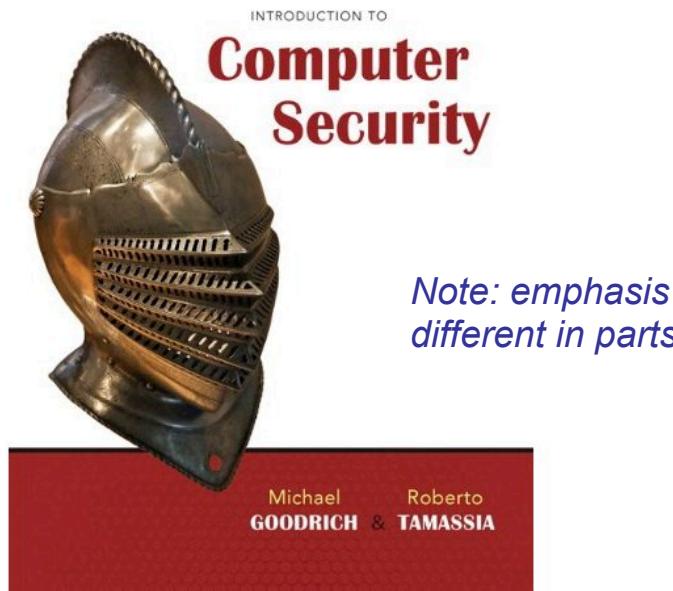
- Absorb material presented in lectures and section
- 2 or 3 course **projects** (24% total)
 - Done individually or in pairs
- ~4 **homeworks** (16% total)
 - Done individually
- Two **midterms** (30%)
 - 80 minutes long: Thu Feb 16 & Thu Mar 23
- A comprehensive **final** exam (30%)
 - Fri May 12, 11:30AM-2:30PM

What's Required?

- Prerequisites:
 - CS 61B, 61C, 70
 - Familiarity with Unix, C, Java, Python
- Engage!
 - In lectures, in section
 - Note: I'm **hearing-impaired**; be prepared to repeat questions!
 - Feedback is highly valuable
- Class accounts – see course home page
- Participate in *Piazza* (use same name as glookup)
 - Send course-related questions/comments there, or ask in Prof/TA office hours
 - For private matters, contact Prof or TA using Piazza direct message
 - ***Do not post specifics about problems/projects***

What's Not Required?

- *Optional*: *Introduction to Computer Security*, Goodrich & Tamassia
- *Optional*: *The Craft of System Security*, Smith & Marchesini.



Class Policies

- Late homework: **no credit**
- Late project: **-10%** if < 24 hrs, **-20%** < 48 hrs, **-40%** < 72 hrs, **no credit** \geq 72 hrs
- Never share solutions, code, etc., or let any other student see them. Work **on your own** (or with a single partner, if assignment states this).
- If lecture materials available prior to lecture, ***don't use to answer questions*** during class
- Participate in Piazza
 - Send course-related questions/comments, or ask in office hours. No email please: it doesn't scale.

Ethics & Legality

- We will be discussing (and launching!) **attacks** - many quite nasty - and powerful eavesdropping technology
- None of this is in *any way* an invitation to undertake these in any fashion **other than with informed consent of all** involved parties
 - *The existence of a security hole is no excuse*
- These concerns regard not only ethics but UCB policy and California/United States law
- If in some context there's any question in your mind, **talk with instructors first**

Cheating

- While we will extensively study how attackers “cheat” to undermine their victims ...
- ... we treat cheating on coursework/exams very seriously
- Along with heavy sanctions (see class page) ...
- ... keep in mind that your instructors are all highly trained in **adversarial thinking!**

5 Minute Break

Questions Before We Proceed?

Threats evolve ...

- 1990's, early 2000's: **bragging rights**

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"The New York Stock Exchange, they were freaking out, because they were all investing in these e-commerce companies," he remembers.

"And then it's like, 'OK — a 15-year-old kid can shut us down at any point? Is our money really safe?'"

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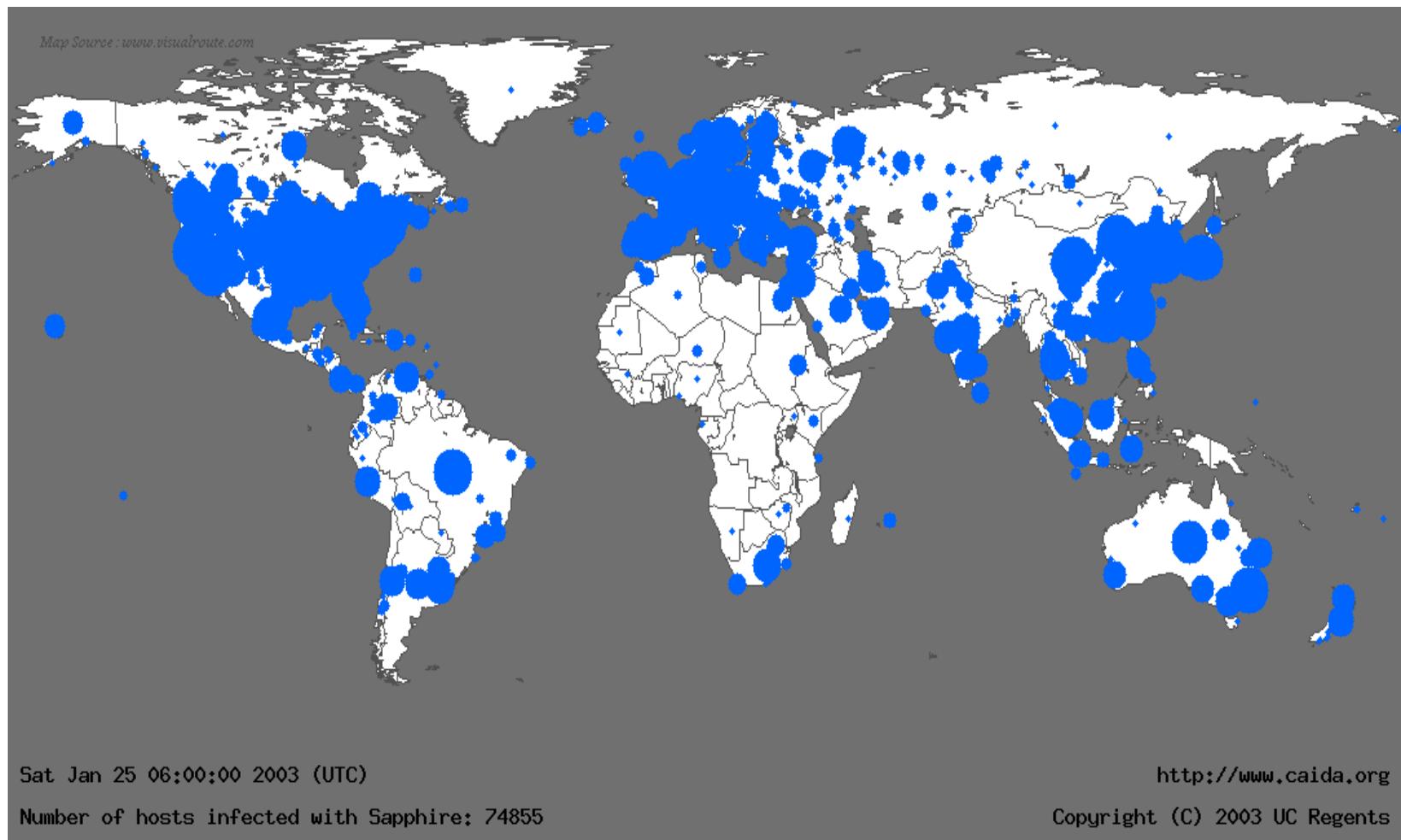
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Mail.ru Mix	104014	до 10K: \$5 от 10K до 20K: \$4.5 от 20K: \$4
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Mail.ru Mix S/H	17892	до 10K: \$4 от 10K до 20K: \$3.5 от 20K: \$3
Yandex.ru	4055	до 10K: \$20 от 10K до 20K: \$19 от 20K: \$18
Narod.ru	5285	до 10K: \$50 от 10K до 20K: \$50 от 20K: \$50
Qip.ru (Pochta.ru)	0	до 10K: \$50 от 10K до 20K: \$50 от 20K: \$50
Hotmail.com	425227	до 10K: \$5 от 10K до 20K: \$4.5 от 20K: \$4
Hotmail.com Plus	505448	до 10K: \$6 от 10K до 20K: \$5.5 от 20K: \$5
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Новости

12 Апр 2013
Вновь в продаже аккаунты **Twitter.com!**

15 Мар 2013
Отличная цена на аккаунты **Facebook.com!** Всего **\$80** за **1000** шт.
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07 Фев 2013
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21 Янв 2013
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Gmail.com USA PVA	6661	1K-10K: \$100 10K-20K: \$95 20K+: \$90
Yahoo.com	3403	1K-10K: \$8 10K-20K: \$7.5 20K+: \$7
Yahoo.com USA	0	1K-10K: \$15 10K-20K: \$15 20K+: \$15
Nokiamail.com	47823	1K-10K: \$10 10K-20K: \$10 20K+: \$9
AOL.com	3365	1K-10K: \$20 10K-20K: \$20 20K+: \$20
GMX.com	563	1K-10K: \$25 10K-20K: \$25 20K+: \$25
Mail.com	265	1K-10K: \$20 10K-20K: \$20 20K+: \$20
Facebook.com	33102	1K-10K: \$80 10K-20K: \$80 20K+: \$80

News

12 Apr 2013

Twitter accounts are **available again!**

07 Feb 2013

Added **Instagram** accounts at a great rate: **\$50 per 1000**.

04 Dec 2012

Just added **Fully Profiled Twitter Accounts** at a great rate - **\$30 per 1000**. Accounts come with **avatar, bio and random background**.

19 Nov 2012

Great prices for wholesale **Twitter.com** and **Hotmail.com** orders!

17 Nov 2012

Added **Pinterest.com** accounts at a great price - **\$70 per 1000!**

03 Nov 2012

Added **AOL accounts** with **POP3** and **SMTP** enabled at an unbeatable price: starting from **\$8 per 1000**.



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****eans123@yahoo.com	Yes	Premier				\$1.00	Regina	Clifton Park	USA	\$2.50	<input type="checkbox"/>
****ibsack@gmail.com	Yes	Premier				\$121.07	Abigail	Jefferson	USA	\$15.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
****ie@gambit.net	Yes	Premier				\$1,102.37	Gwynn	Tallmadge	USA	\$45.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Site	Details	Level of Control	Traffic	Price
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http://www.woodlands.edu.uy/	Wooldlands School Uruguay.	Full SiteAdmin Control!	5200	\$33
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http://www.uscb.edu/	University of South Carolina Beaufort.	Full SiteAdmin Control.	1123	\$88
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p0!z0n Web Expl0iter + Google Ripper + SQLi + Proxy Expl0iter - Video - Details	\$28 USD
RDP Bruteforcer & Custom NMAP scanner script SETUP! - [Quality + Super Fast!] - Details	4.99\$ USD
Hacking a military website	\$150 USD
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Immunity's CANVAS reliable exploit development framework LATEST VERSION! 2011!	\$66 USD
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PHP mailers %100 inbox	\$5 USD per 1
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Selling fresh Emails for spam from Edu's websites and shop websites Example	\$10 USD per 1MB
SQL Injection attacker bot (srbovtv2.0) - Video	\$28 USD

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CA	110\$
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IT	65\$
CH	20\$
CZ	20\$
DK	20\$
ES	30\$
AU	55\$
FR	30\$
NL	20\$
NO	20\$
PT	30\$
LB	6\$

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- 2010's: politically motivated
 - Governments: **espionage**

Google China cyberattack part of vast espionage campaign, experts say

By Ariana Eunjung Cha and Ellen Nakashima
Thursday, January 14, 2010

Computer attacks on Google that the search giant said originated in China were part of a concerted political and corporate espionage effort that exploited security flaws in e-mail attachments to sneak into the networks of major financial, defense and technology companies and research institutions in the United States, security experts said.

THIS STORY

- » Google attack part of vast campaign
- [Google hands China an Internet dilemma](#)
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At least 34 companies -- including Yahoo, Symantec, Adobe, Northrop Grumman and [Dow Chemical](#) -- were attacked, according to congressional and industry sources. Google, which disclosed on Tuesday that hackers had penetrated the Gmail



People sympathetic to Google have been leaving flowers and candles at the firm's Chinese headquarters. (Vincent Thian/associated Press)

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What Google might miss out on

Google said it may exit China,

Israel Tests on Worm Called Crucial in Iran Nuclear Delay

By WILLIAM J. BROAD, JOHN MARKOFF and DAVID E. SANGER

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This article is by William J. Broad, John Markoff and David E. Sanger.

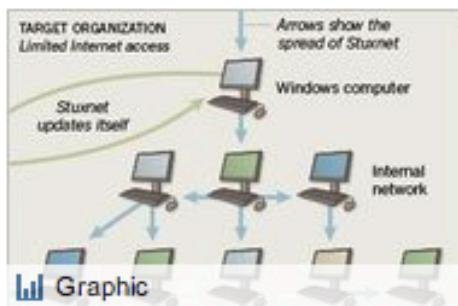
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Nicholas Roberts for The New York Times

Ralph Langner, an independent computer security expert, solved Stuxnet.

Multimedia



How Stuxnet Spreads

The Dimona complex in the Negev desert is famous as the heavily guarded heart of [Israel's](#) never-acknowledged nuclear arms program, where neat rows of factories make atomic fuel for the arsenal.

Over the past two years, according to intelligence and military experts familiar with its operations, Dimona has taken on a new, equally secret role — as a critical testing ground in a joint American and Israeli effort to undermine [Iran's](#) efforts to make a bomb of its own.

Behind Dimona's barbed wire, the experts say, Israel has spun nuclear centrifuges virtually identical to Iran's at Natanz, where Iranian scientists are struggling to enrich uranium. They say Dimona tested the effectiveness of the [Stuxnet](#) computer worm, a destructive program that appears to have wiped out roughly a fifth of Iran's nuclear



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China Cracks Down on Tor Anonymity Network

A leading anonymity technology is targeted by the Chinese government for the first time.

By David Talbot

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2009

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For the first time, the Chinese government has attacked one of the best, most secure tools for surfing the Internet anonymously. The clampdown against the tool, called [Tor](#), came in the days leading up to the 60th anniversary of China's "national day" on October 1. It is part of a growing trend in which repressive nations orchestrate massive clampdowns during politically sensitive periods, in addition to trying to maintain Internet firewalls year-round.



"It was the first time the Chinese government has ever even included Tor in any sort of censorship circumvention effort," says Andrew Lewman, the executive director of Tor Project, the nonprofit that maintains the Tor software and network. "They were so worried about October 1, they went to anything that could possibly circumvent their firewall and blocked it."

[Tor is one of several systems](#) that route data through intermediate computers called proxies, thereby circumventing government filters. To anyone watching

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Russia accused of unleashing cyberwar to disable Estonia

- Parliament, ministries, banks, media targeted
- Nato experts sent in to strengthen defences

Ian Traynor in Brussels

The Guardian, Thursday 17 May 2007

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Bronze Soldier, the Soviet war memorial removed from Tallinn.
Nisametdinov/AP

A three-week wave of massive cyber-attacks on the small Baltic country of Estonia, the first known incidence of such an assault on a state, is causing alarm across the western alliance, with Nato urgently examining the offensive and its implications.

August 11th, 2008

Coordinated Russia vs Georgia cyber attack in progress

Posted by Dancho Danchev @ 4:23 pm

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In the wake of the [Russian-Georgian conflict](#), a week worth of speculations around Russian Internet forums have finally materialized into a coordinated cyber attack against Georgia's Internet infrastructure. The attacks have already managed to compromise several government web sites, with continuing DDoS attacks against numerous other Georgian government sites, prompting the government to switch to hosting locations to the U.S., with [Georgia's Ministry of Foreign Affairs](#) undertaking a desperate step in order to disseminate real-time information by moving to a [Blogspot account](#).

Location	Country	Score	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate	Rate
Florida, U.S.A.	United States	19.4	19.9	19.5	19.5	19.5	19.5
Hamburg, Germany	Germany	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Melbourne, Australia	Australia	179.8	174.6	175.6	175.6	175.6	175.6
Singapore, Singapore	Singapore	209.5	214.0	218.4	218.4	218.4	218.4
New York, U.S.A.	United States	209.5	214.0	218.4	218.4	218.4	218.4
Amsterdam, Netherlands	Netherlands	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Austin, U.S.A.	United States	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
London, United Kingdom	United Kingdom	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Stockholm, Sweden	Sweden	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Cologne, Germany	Germany	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Chicago, U.S.A.	United States	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Edmonton, Canada	Canada	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Amsterdam, Netherlands	Netherlands	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Wroclaw, Poland	Poland	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Palo Alto, U.S.A.	United States	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Copenhagen, Denmark	Denmark	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
San Francisco, U.S.A.	United States	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Buenos Aires, Argentina	Argentina	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Madrid, Spain	Spain	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Shanghai, China	China	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Lima, Peru	Peru	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Durach, Switzerland	Switzerland	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Munich, Germany	Germany	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Calgary, Canada	Canada	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Hong Kong, China	China	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Johannesburg, South Africa	South Africa	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Fortaleza, Brazil	Brazil	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Hyderabad, India	India	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Santa Clara, U.S.A.	United States	140.3	160.0	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4

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Continuing pro-Wikileaks DDOS actions, Anonymous takes down PayPal.com

Xeni Jardin at 7:10 PM Wednesday, Dec 8, 2010

The screenshot shows a Twitter feed with three tweets from the account 'Operation Payback'. The first tweet, posted 22 minutes ago, reads: 'Target: www.Paypal.com FIRE NOW!!!!!!111 #DDOS #PAYBACK #WIKILEAKS'. The second tweet, posted 27 minutes ago, reads: 'HIVE MIND LOIC: server loic.anonops.net Backup server irc.anonops-irc.com IRC port 6667 Channel #loic F http://bit.ly/fGHDib #ddos'. The third tweet, posted 40 minutes ago, reads: 'Next Target: www.paypal.com ETA: 20 minutes! Get ready! #ddos #wikileaks #payback'.



Third finance-related Anonymous "Operation Payback" takedown in a single day:

PayPal.com is effectively offline, moments after the command was tweeted. At the time of this blog post, the PayPal *service* is still functioning, but the site's dead. Earlier today, Visa.com and Mastercard.com were taken offline by Anonymous DDOS attacks, along with other targets perceived as enemies of Wikileaks and of online free speech... including Twitter.com, for a while.

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Software Meant to Fight Crime Is Used to Spy on Dissidents



Thor Swift for The New York Times

Morgan Marquis-Boire, left, and Bill Marczak have been looking at the use of computer espionage software by governments.

By NICOLE PERLROTH

Published: August 30, 2012

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Hasan Jamali/Associated Press

Chanting antigovernment slogans, mourners escorted the body of a 16-year-old killed by security forces in Bahrain this month.

What they found was the widespread use of sophisticated, off-the-shelf computer espionage software by governments with questionable records on human rights. While the software is supposedly sold for use only in criminal investigations, the two came across evidence that it was being used to target political dissidents.

The software proved to be the stuff of a spy film: it can grab images of computer screens, record Skype chats, turn on cameras and microphones and log keystrokes. The two men said they discovered mobile versions of the spyware customized for all major mobile phones.

VANITY FAIR

HOW A GRAD STUDENT FOUND SPYWARE THAT COULD CONTROL ANYBODY'S IPHONE FROM ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD

Last summer, Bill Marczak stumbled across a program that could spy on your iPhone's contact list and messages—and even record your calls. Illuminating shadowy firms that sell spyware to corrupt governments across the globe, Marczak's story reveals the new arena of cyber-warfare.



BY BRYAN BURROUGH

NOVEMBER 28, 2016 5:00 AM



"APPLE HAD NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS... INCREDIBLY SOPHISTICATED NATION-STATE ATTACK."

"The Hacking Team thing was monumental," says Chris Soghoian. "Prior to that, the only thing that researchers had was circumstantial evidence that this was going on. They would find a FinFisher server in Morocco and say that's evidence the government was using it. Before Hacking Team, there was no smoking gun."



Someone has your password

Hi William

Someone just used your password to try to sign in to your Google Account
[REDACTED]

Details:

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Google stopped this sign-in attempt. You should change your password immediately.

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Best,
The Gmail Team



Russia-linked phishing campaign behind the DNC breach also hit Podesta, Powell

Bit.ly-based phishing links targeted former Sec. of State, Clinton campaign chair.

SEAN GALLAGHER - 10/20/2016, 3:40 PM

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The Smoking Gun

You received this mandatory email service announcement to update you about important changes to your Google product or account.

The spear-phishing e-mail received by Clinton campaign staffer William Rinehart matches messages received by both former Secretary of State Colin Powell and Clinton campaign chairman John Podesta.