

# Prepare against Ransomware

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# Cyber Attack

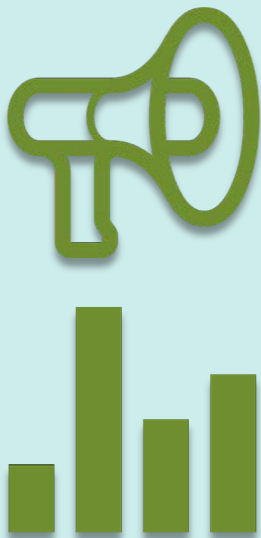


- The Prussian philosopher Karl von Clausewitz observed: "Every age has its own kind of war, its own limiting conditions and its own peculiar preconceptions."
- We live in an age of TECHNOLOGY focused warfare



# How ransomware works

- Recent poll on ransomware



44% of businesses infected

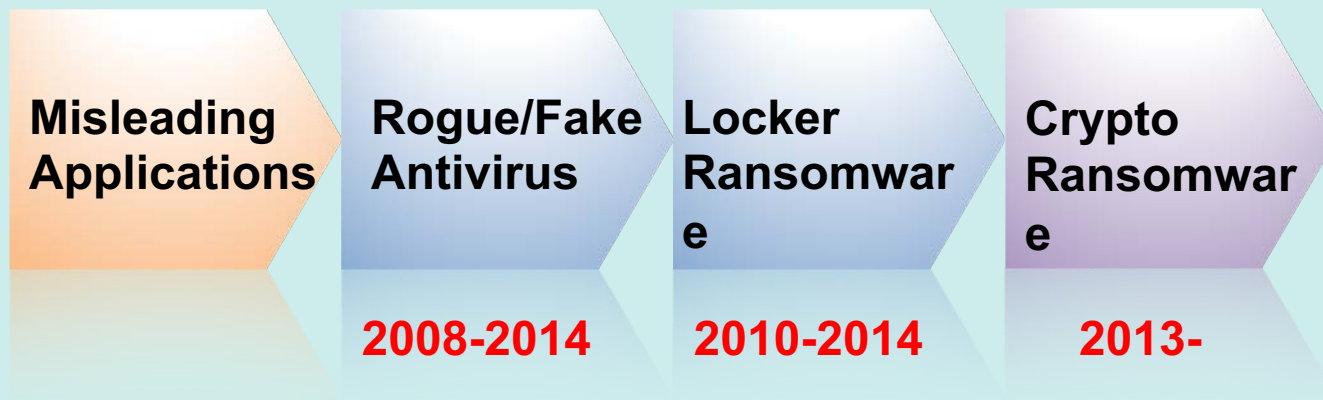
60% had backups

65% paid the ransom

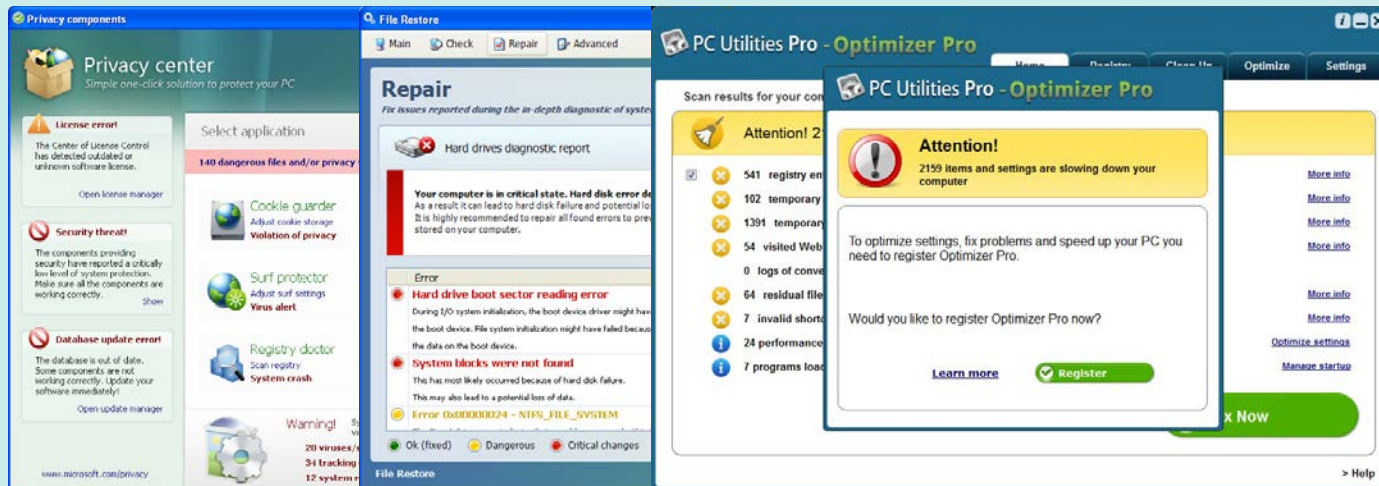
Average ransom sum €540

Loss of business productivity comes on top, exceeding ransom

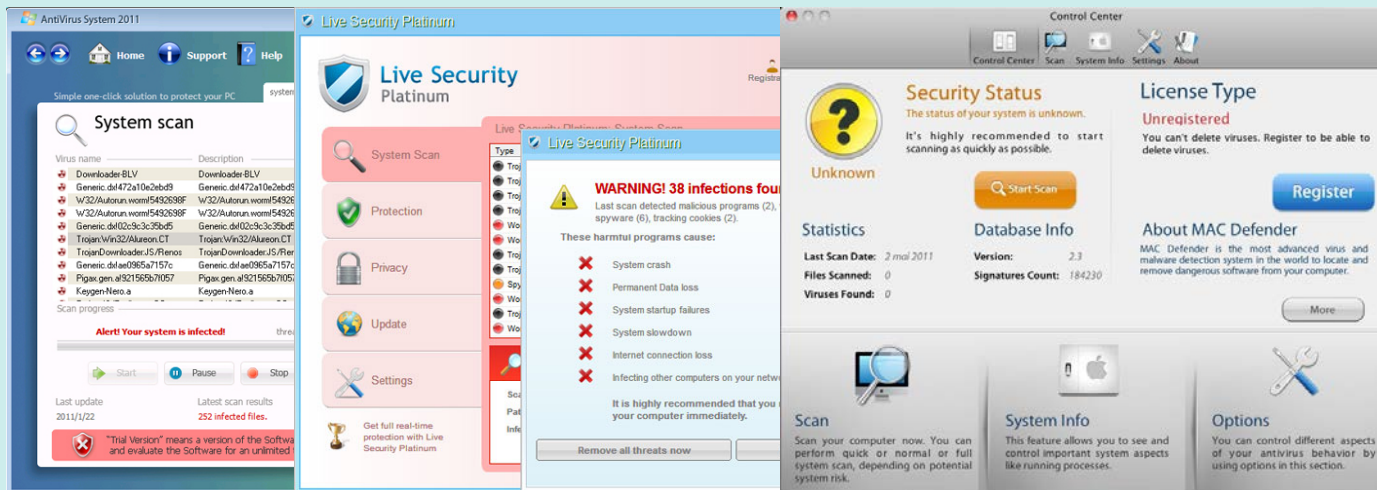
# Ransomware Evolution



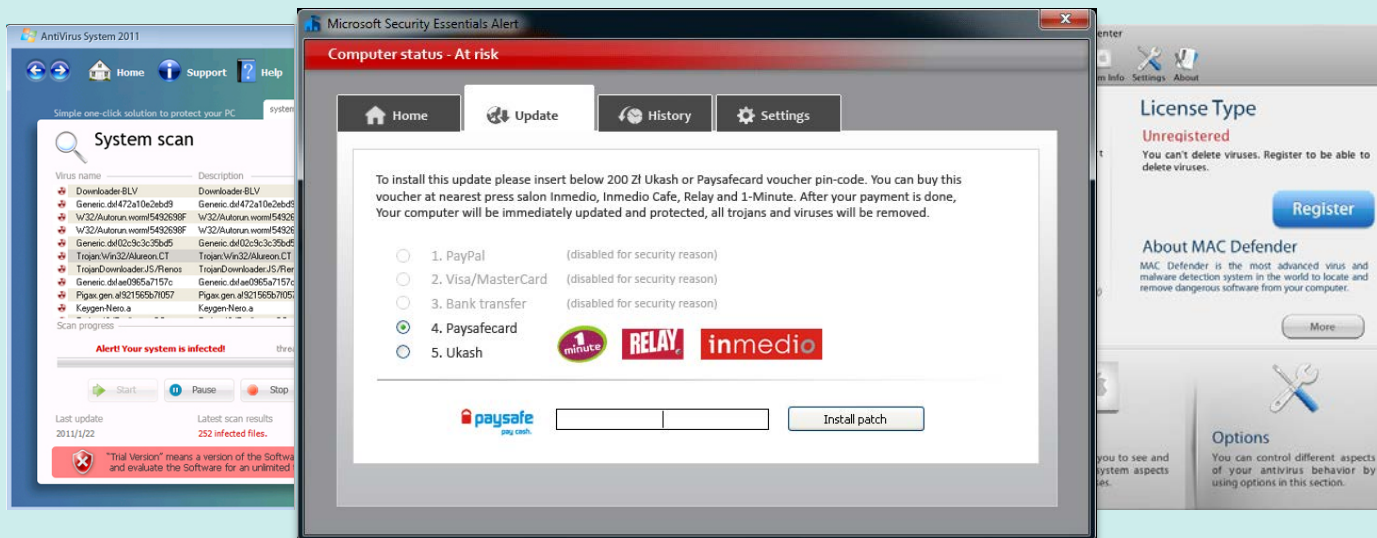
# Misleading Applications



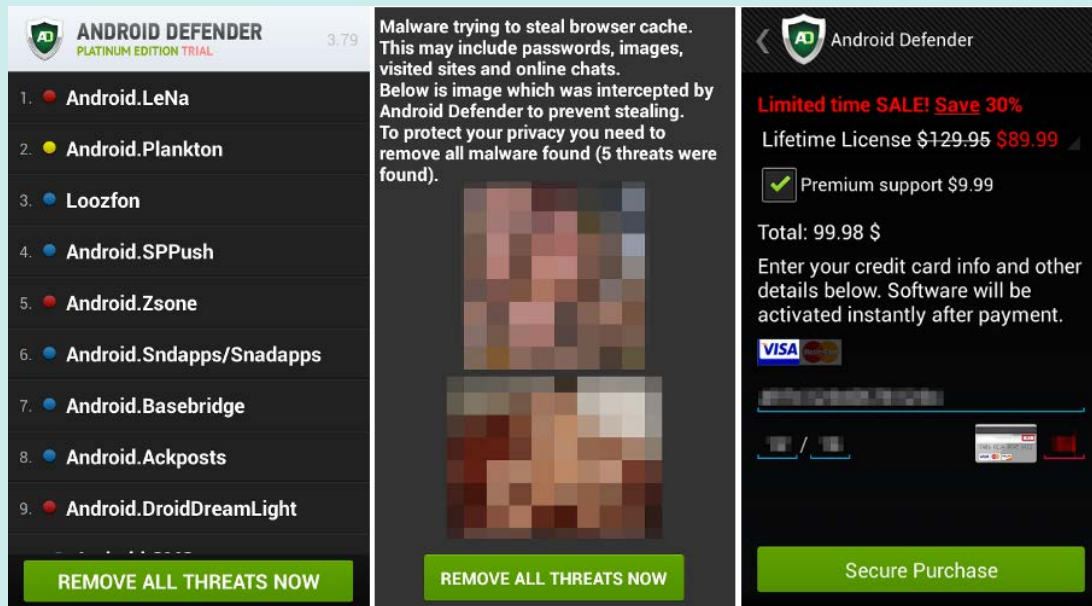
# Rogue/Fake Antivirus



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# Rogue/Fake Antivirus (Android)



# (Browser) Locker Ransomware

The image displays three different browser-based ransomware lockers side-by-side.

**Left Screenshot: INTERPOL ASSOCIATION NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY**

- IP: 198.23.71.112
- Country: United States
- Region: California
- City: --
- Your Location: 34.0532, -118.2437
- Operating System: Windows
- Remaining time: 48:00:00
- Payment method: MoneyPak
- Form: Voucher NO/PIN, Type your code, 300
- Buttons: Settle MoneyPak, Clear
- Text: "ATTENTION! Your browser has been blocked up for safety reasons listed below. All the actions performed on this PC are fixed. All your files are encrypted. AUDIO AND VIDEO RECORDING IN PROGRESS."
- Text: "You are accused of investigating and/or dissemination of banned pornography (child pornography/zoophilia/rape etc.). You have violated World Declaration on non-proliferation of child pornography. You are accused of committing the crime envisaged by Article 161 of United States of America criminal law."
- Text: "Article 161 of United States of America criminal law provides for the punishment of deprivation of liberty for terms from 5 to 11 years."
- Text: "Also, you are suspected of violation of 'Copyright and Related rights Law' (downloading of pirated music, video, warez) and of use and/or dissemination of copyrighted content. Thus, you are suspected of violation of Article 148 of United States of America criminal law."
- Instructions: 1. Find a retail location (7 Eleven, Walgreens, Walgreens, Rite Aid Pharmacy, Walmart, CVS Pharmacy, Kroger, Dollar General, Family Dollar, InComm, Kmart, Kwik, Coinstar-OPS) near you. 2. Look for a MoneyPak in the prepaid section. Take it to the cashier and load it with cash. 3. To pay fine you should enter the digits MoneyPak resulting pass in the payment form and press "Settle MoneyPak".

**Middle Screenshot: Polizei, ARNUNG**

- Polizei, ARNUNG: Zugang von Ihrem Browser wurde vorläufig aus den unten aufgelisteten Gründen gesperrt. Alle Aktivitäten des Computers auf...
- block.zeropolizei.biz
- Bundesamt für Sicherheit in der Informationstechnik
- Gesellschaft zur Verfügung von Urheberrechtsverletzungen e.V.
- BundesKriminalamt
- IP: 92.231.76.168
- Land: Germany
- Bereich: 01
- Stadt: Karlsruhe
- Warning: "WARNUNG! Zugang von Ihrem Browser wurde vorläufig aus den unten aufgelisteten Gründen gesperrt. Alle Aktivitäten des Computers aufgezeichnet wurden. Alle Ihre Dateien werden verschlüsselt."
- Text: "Ihnen wird die Ansicht/Lagerung und/oder den Vertrieb von pornographischem Material von verbotenen Inhalten (Kinderspornografie/Zoophilie/Vergewaltigung, etc.) vorgeworfen. Sie haben die Allgemeine Erklärung zur Bekämpfung der Verbreitung von Kinderspornografie verletzt wegen einer Straftat nach Artikel 161 des Strafgesetzbuches der Bundesrepublik Deutschland."
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**Right Screenshot: paysafecard**

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- Form: Gutschein-Code/PIN, Wert, Geben Sie Ihren Code, 100
- Buttons: Bezahlen PaySafeCard, Clear
- Text: "Wo bekomme ich einen PaySafeCard Gutschein?"
- Text: "PaySafeCard erhältst du in vielen Supermärkten, Trafiken, Tankstellen und Kiosken. Sie bekommen Ihre PaySafeCard z.B. bei Rossmann Drogeriemärkten, Netto Marken-Discount, vielen Tankstellen sowie Wobac, WEZ, WestLotto, Westfalen, Vodafone, The Phone House, TankRast, REWE, Q1, Shell, Agip, Eni, Avia, NETTO, LOTTO Wiederachern, LOTTO Brandenburg, LOTTO Berlin, LOTTO Bayern, Lotto Annahmestellen."

# Locker Ransomware

**METROPOLITAN POLICE**

**ATTENTION! ILLEGAL ACTIVITY WAS REVEALED!**  
Your operational system is locked as a result of Great Britain law violation!

The following violations were revealed: your IP address was detected on illegal pornographic sites including child pornography, hostpills and violent content with children. Pornographic sites with elements of violence and child pornography were revealed on your PC.

Illegal SPAM or terrorist orientation is also mailed from your PC.

This lockout is intended to eliminate possible distribution of the above materials from your PC in the internet.

Your personal data: IP: Browser: Internet Explorer or 6.0 OS: Windows XP Country: Italy ISP:

For your PC to be unlocked you have to pay penalty equal to 100€! The penalty is to be paid during 24 hours from the instant when your PC was locked! If the penalty is not paid all the data will be removed from your PC!

There are 2 ways of payment:  
1) You can buy the ukash coupon for the amount of 100€. Enter the ukash coupon number in payment field and press OK or send the coupon number by email: [mpolice@ukash.com](mailto:mpolice@ukash.com). You can buy the ukash coupon at any available point.  
2) You can pay the penalty by means of Paysafecard. Payments made by Paysafecard is to be effected to the amount of 100€. Enter the pin code from your bill in payment field and press OK or send the pin code by email: [mpolice@ukash.com](mailto:mpolice@ukash.com).  
You can buy Paysafecard at any available point.  
As soon as payment is effected your PC will be unlocked during 24 hours from the moment of payment.

**Ukash** **paysafecard**

**Buttons:**

**Logos:** KASPERSKY, bitdefender, AVIRA, symantec, AntiVirus, Panda

**PCEU** **Police Central e-crime Unit** **Specialist Crime Directorate** **Police Central e-crime Unit**

To unlock your computer and to avoid other legal consequences, you are obligated

All activity of this computer has been recorded  
If you use a webcam, videos and pictures were saved for identification

**Video-recording: ON**

You can be clearly identified by recording your IP address and the associated hostname

**Your IP Address:** [192.168.1.1](http://192.168.1.1)  
**Your Hostname:** [192.168.1.1](http://192.168.1.1)  
**Location:** United Kingdom

**Your Computer has been locked!**

The work of your computer has been suspended on the grounds of unauthorized cyberactivity.

Described below are possible violations, you have made:

**Article 178 - Copyright**  
A fine or imprisonment for the term of up to 2 years (The use or sharing of copyrighted files - movies, software)

**Article 183 - Pornography**  
A fine or imprisonment for the term of up to 2 years (The use or distribution of pornographic files)

**Article 184 - Pornography involving children (under 18 years)**  
Imprisonment for the term of up to 15 years (The use or distribution of pornographic files)

**Article 186 - Promoting terrorism**  
Imprisonment for the term of up to 25 years (You have visited websites of terrorist organizations)

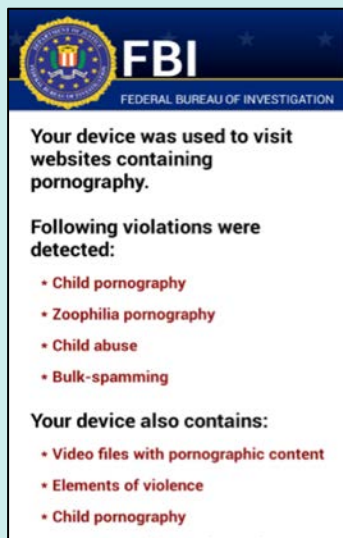
**Article 293 - Negligent computer use, entailing serious consequences**  
A fine or imprisonment for the term of up to 2 years.

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# Locker Ransomware (Android)



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

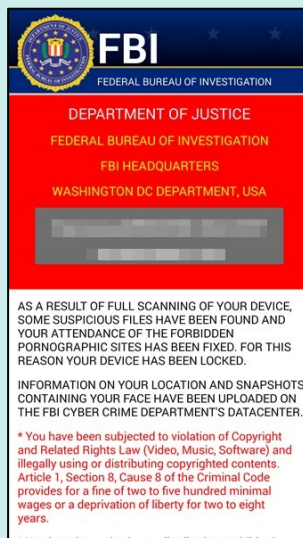
**Your device was used to visit websites containing pornography.**

**Following violations were detected:**

- Child pornography
- Zoophilia pornography
- Child abuse
- Bulk-spamming

**Your device also contains:**

- Video files with pornographic content
- Elements of violence
- Child pornography



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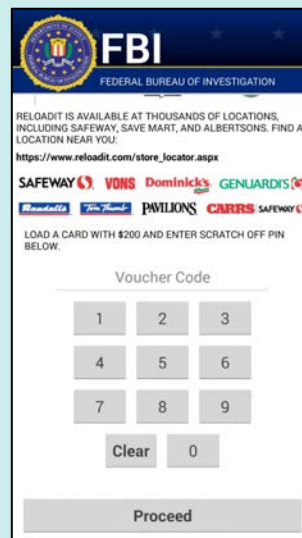
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
FBI HEADQUARTERS  
WASHINGTON DC DEPARTMENT, USA

AS A RESULT OF FULL SCANNING OF YOUR DEVICE, SOME SUSPICIOUS FILES HAVE BEEN FOUND AND YOUR ATTENDANCE OF THE FORBIDDEN PORNOGRAPHIC SITES HAS BEEN FIXED. FOR THIS REASON YOUR DEVICE HAS BEEN LOCKED.

INFORMATION ON YOUR LOCATION AND SNAPSHOTS CONTAINING YOUR FACE HAVE BEEN UPLOADED ON THE FBI CYBER CRIME DEPARTMENT'S DATACENTER.

\* You have been subjected to violation of Copyright and Related Rights Law (Video, Music, Software) and illegally using or distributing copyrighted contents. Article 1, Section 8, Cause 8 of the Criminal Code provides for a fine of two to five hundred minimal wages or a deprivation of liberty for two to eight years.

\* You have been viewing or distributing prohibited



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RELOADIT IS AVAILABLE AT THOUSANDS OF LOCATIONS, INCLUDING SAFEWAY, SAVE MART, AND ALBERTSONS. FIND A LOCATION NEAR YOU:  
[https://www.reloadit.com/store\\_locator.aspx](https://www.reloadit.com/store_locator.aspx)

SAFEWAY VONS Dominick's GENUARDI'S

LOAD A CARD WITH \$200 AND ENTER SCRATCH OFF PIN BELOW.

Voucher Code

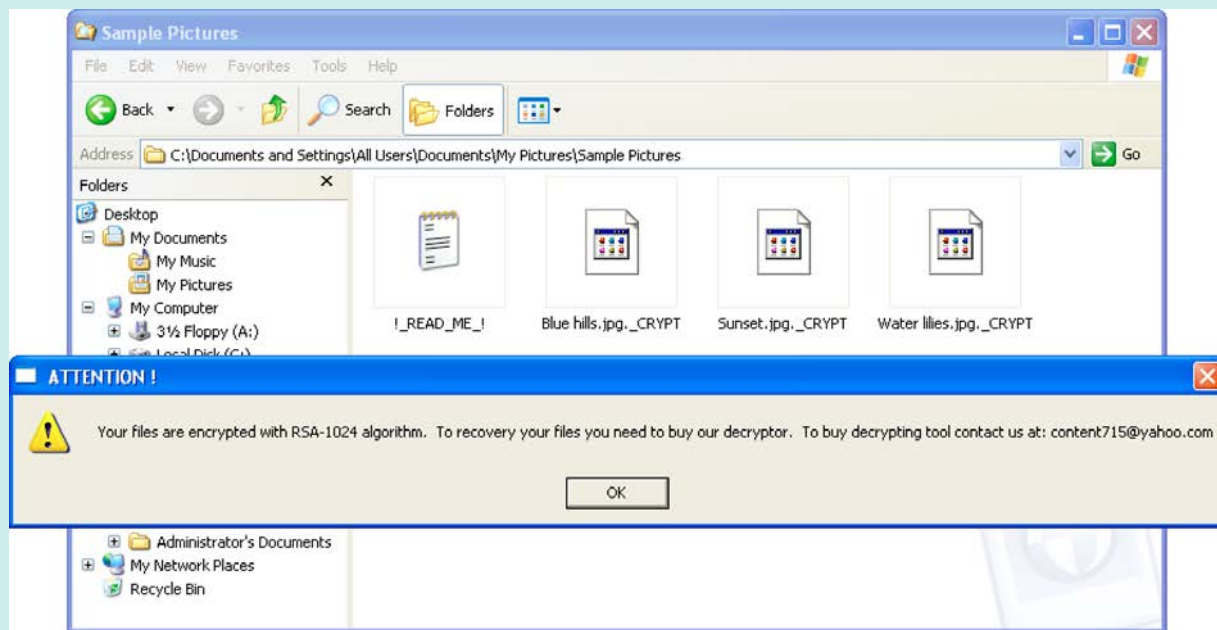
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Proceed

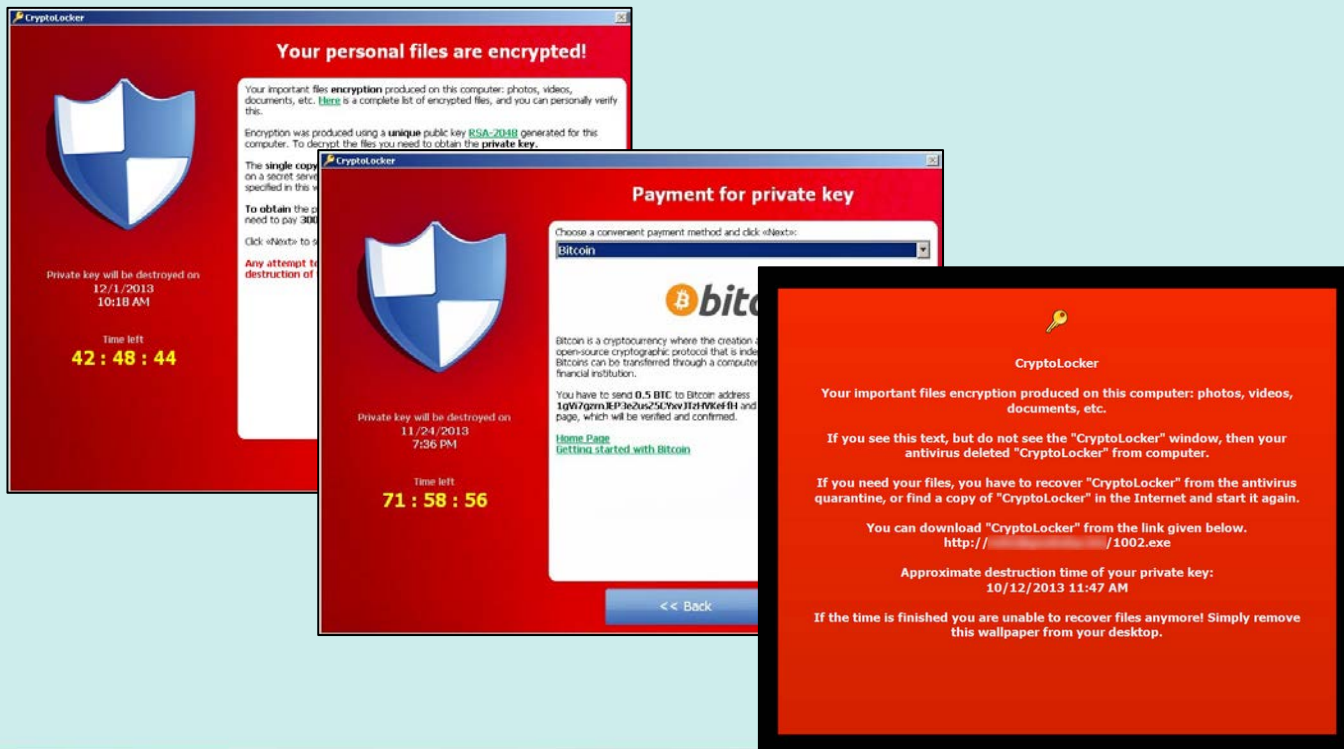
# Ransomware (AIDS / PC Cyborg) (1989)



# Crypto-Ransomware (Gpcode) (2005)



# Crypto-Ransomware (Cryptolocker) (2013)



**Cryptolocker**

**Your personal files are encrypted!**

Your important files **encryption** produced on this computer: photos, videos, documents, etc. [Here](#) is a complete list of encrypted files, and you can personally verify this.

Encryption was produced using a **unique public key RSA-2048** generated for this computer. To decrypt the files you need to obtain the **private key**.

The **single copy** on a **secret server** specified in this v

To **obtain the p** need to pay 300

Click <Next> to s

Any attempt to destruction of

Private key will be destroyed on 12/1/2013 10:18 AM


Time left  
**42 : 48 : 44**

**Cryptolocker**

**Payment for private key**

Choose a convenient payment method and click <Next>:

Bitcoin

 **Bitcoin**

Bitcoin is a cryptocurrency where the creation of coins is based on a peer-to-peer open-source cryptographic protocol that is independent of any financial institution.


You have to send 0.5 BTC to Bitcoin address 1Gw7gmRPJchus25vovJtHvK6F8t and page, which will be verified and confirmed.

[Home Page](#)  
[Getting started with Bitcoin](#)

Private key will be destroyed on 11/24/2013 7:36 PM

Time left  
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**Cryptolocker**



**Your important files encryption produced on this computer: photos, videos, documents, etc.**

If you see this text, but do not see the "Cryptolocker" window, then your antivirus deleted "Cryptolocker" from computer.

If you need your files, you have to recover "Cryptolocker" from the antivirus quarantine, or find a copy of "Cryptolocker" in the Internet and start it again.

You can download "Cryptolocker" from the link given below.  
<http://.../1002.exe>

Approximate destruction time of your private key:  
10/12/2013 11:47 AM

If the time is finished you are unable to recover files anymore! Simply remove this wallpaper from your desktop.

# 200 Crypto-Ransomware Families

.CryptoHasYou., 777, 7ev3n, 7h9r, 8lock8, **Alfa Ransomware**, **Alma Ransomware**, Alpha Ransomware, AMBA, Apocalypse, ApocalypseVM, AutoLocky, BadBlock, BaksoCrypt, Bandarchor, Bart, BitCryptor, BitStak, BlackShades Crypter, Blocatto, Booyah, Brazilian, BrLock, Browlock, Bucbi, BuyUnlockCode, Cerber, Chimera, CoinVault, Covertor, Cryaki, Crybola, CryFile, CryLocker, **CrypMIC**, Crypren, Crypt38, Cryptear, **CryptFile2**, CryptInfinite, CryptoBit, CryptoDefense, CryptoFinancial, CryptoFortress, CryptoGraphic Locker, CryptoHost, CryptoJoker, **CryptoLocker**, Cryptolocker 2.0, CryptoMix, CryptoRoger, CryptoShocker, CryptoTorLocker2015, CryptoWall 1, CryptoWall 2, CryptoWall 3, CryptoWall 4, CryptXXX, CryptXXX 2.0, CryptXXX 3.0, **CryptXXX 3.1**, CTB-Faker, **CTB-Locker**, CTB-Locker WEB, CuteRansomware, DeCrypt Protect, DEDCryptor, DetoxCrypto, DirtyDecrypt, DMALocker, DMALocker 3.0, Domino, EDA2 / HiddenTear, EduCrypt, El-Polocker, Enigma, FairWare, Fakben, Fantom, Fonco, Fsociety, Fury, GhostCrypt, Globe, GNL Locker, Gomasom, Goopic, Gopher, Harasom, Herbst, Hi Buddy!, Hitler, HolyCrypt, HydraCrypt, iLock, iLockLight, International Police Association, JagerDecryptor, Jeiphoos, Jigsaw, Job Crypter, **KeRanger**, KeyBTC, KEYHolder, KimcilWare, Korean, Kozy.Jozy, KratosCrypt, KryptoLocker, LeChiffre, Linux.Encoder, Locker, **Locky**, Lortok, LowLevel04, Mabouia, Magic, MaktubLocker, MIRCOP, MireWare, Mischa, MM Locker, Mobef, NanoLocker, Nemucod, NoobCrypt, Nullbyte, ODCODC, Offline ransomware, OMG! Ransomware, Operation Global III, PadCrypt, Pclock, **Petya**, PizzaCrypts, PokemonGO, PowerWare, PowerWorm, PRISM, R980, RAA encryptor, Radamant, Rakhni., Rannoh, Ransom32, RansomLock, Rector, RektLocker, RemindMe, Rokku, Samas-Samsam, Sanction, Satana, Scraper, Serpico, Shark, ShinoLocker, Shujin, Simple\_Encoder, SkidLocker / Pompous, Smr32, SNSLocker, Sport, Stampado, Strictor, Surprise, SynoLocker, SZFLocker, TeslaCrypt 0.x - 2.2.0, TeslaCrypt 3.0+, TeslaCrypt 4.1A, TeslaCrypt 4.2, Threat Finder, **TorrentLocker**, TowerWeb, Toxcrypt, Troidesh, TrueCrypter, Turkish Ransom, UmbreCrypt, Ungluk, Unlock92, VaultCrypt, VenusLocker, Virlock, Virus-Encoder, WildFire Locker, Xorist, XRTN, Zcrypt, **Zepto**, Zimbra, Zlader / Russian, Zyklon

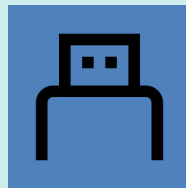
# Crypto-Ransomware (Targets)



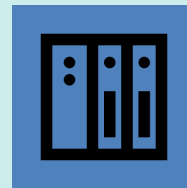
**OS Disk**



**Local Disk(s)**



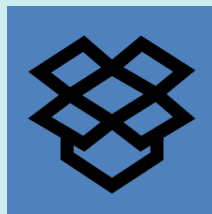
**Connected Device(s)**  
(USB)  
(e.g. Backup Disk)



**Mapped Network Drive(s)**  
(e.g. NAS / File Servers)



**Other Accessible  
Folders / Shared Local  
Network**  
(e.g. NAS / File Servers)

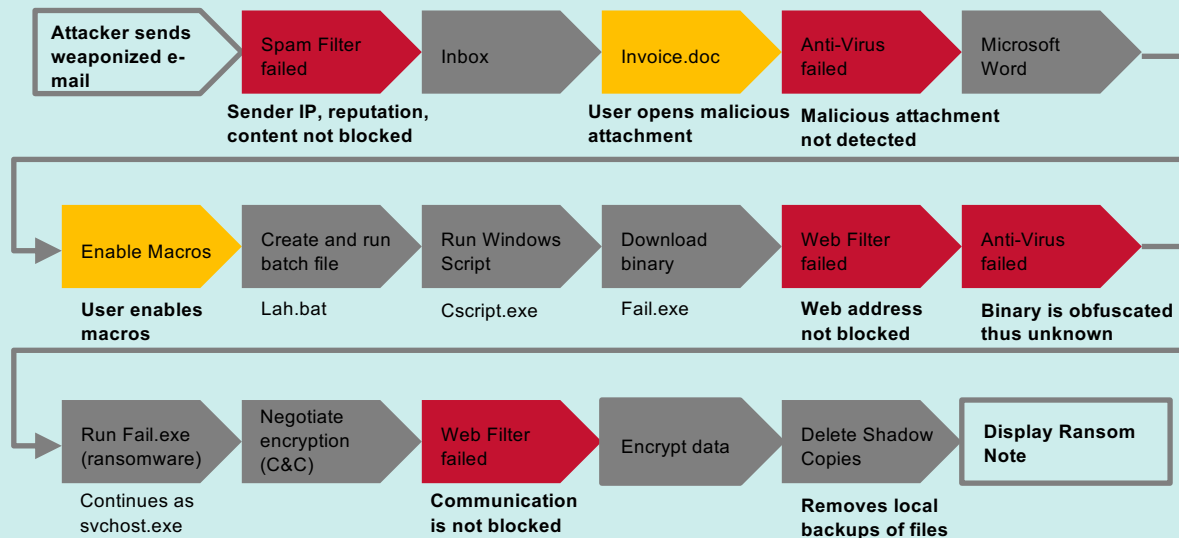


**Dropbox**

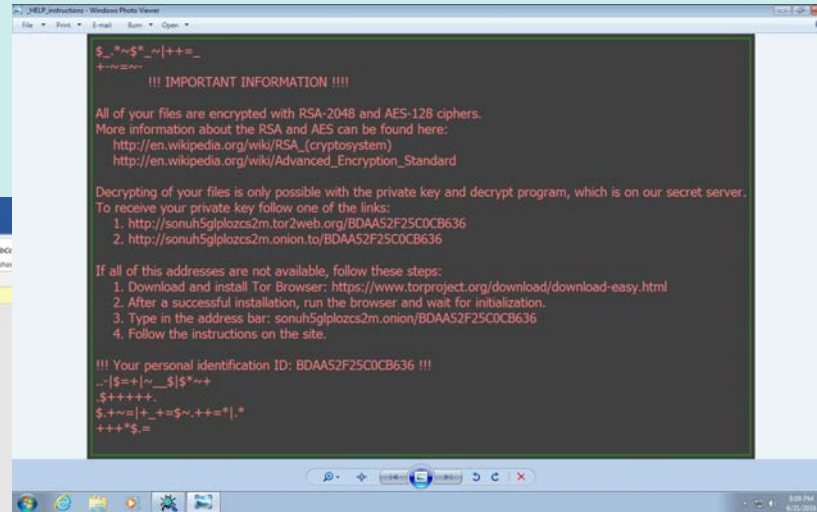
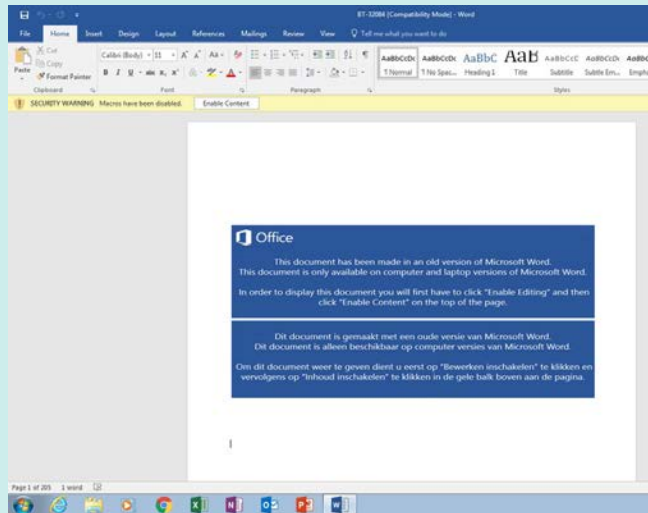


**OneDrive**

# Social Engineering Flow (Locky ransomware, .doc)

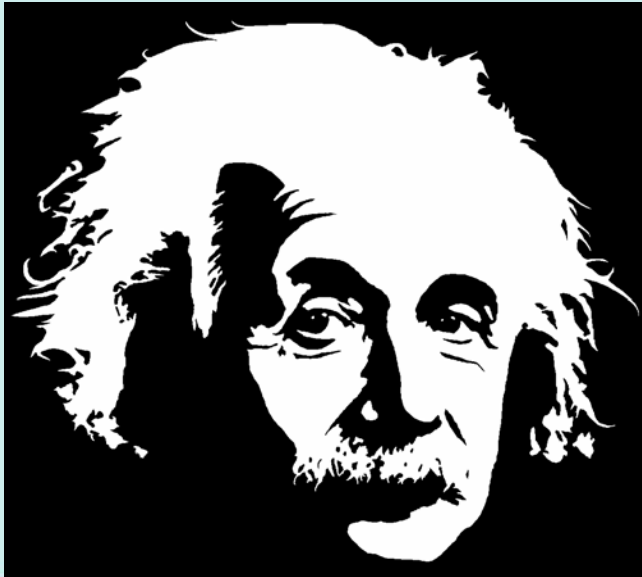


# Social Engineering Flow (Locky ransomware, .docm)



# Security Overview

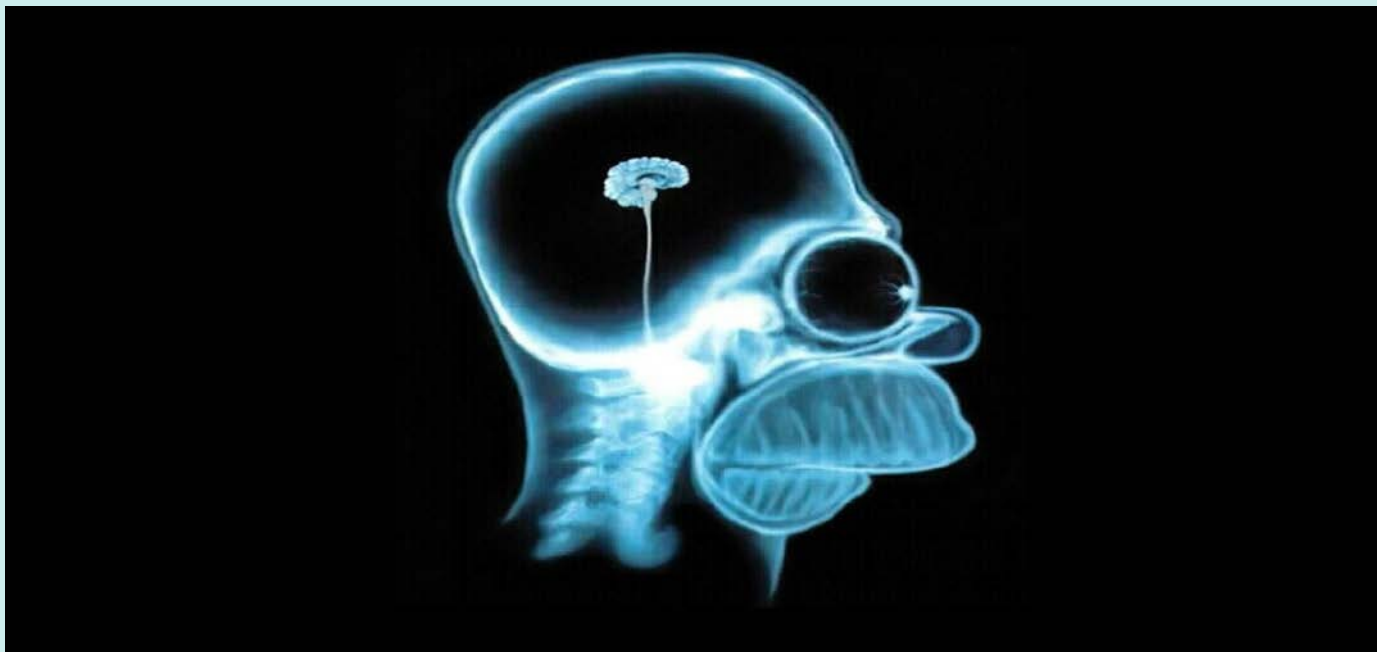
Today's approach to IT Security is **Falling Behind**



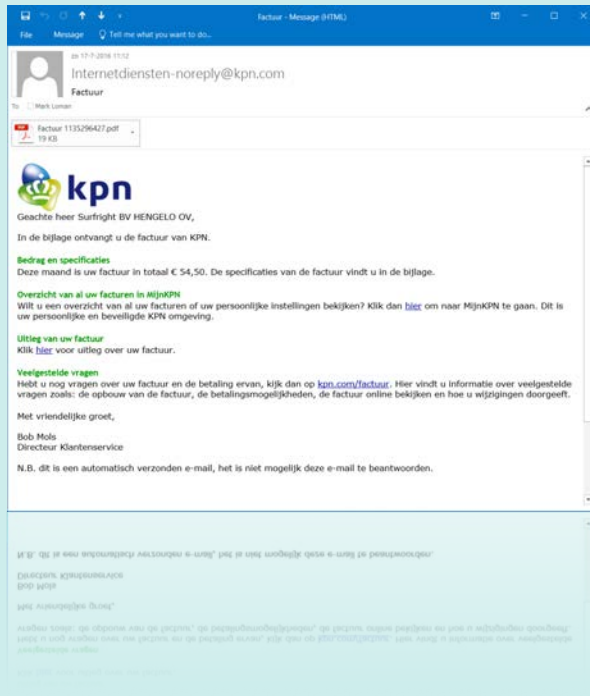
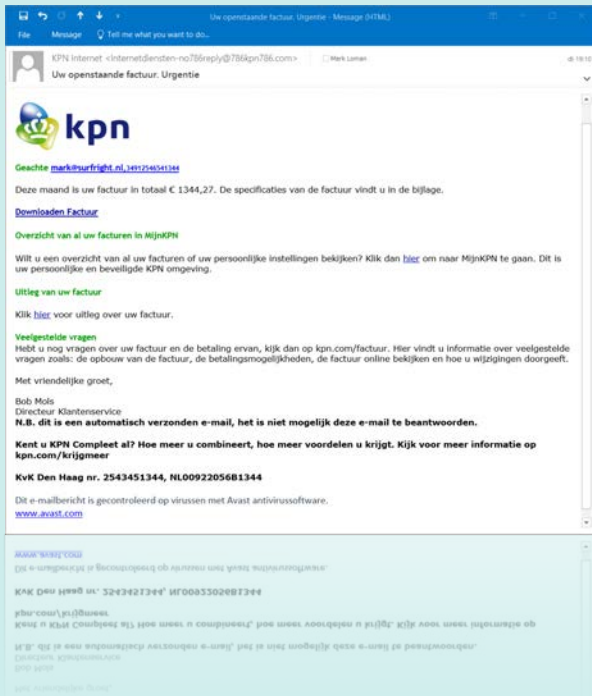
“Two things are infinite:  
The universe and human  
stupidity, and I’m not so  
sure about the former”

- *Albert Einstein*

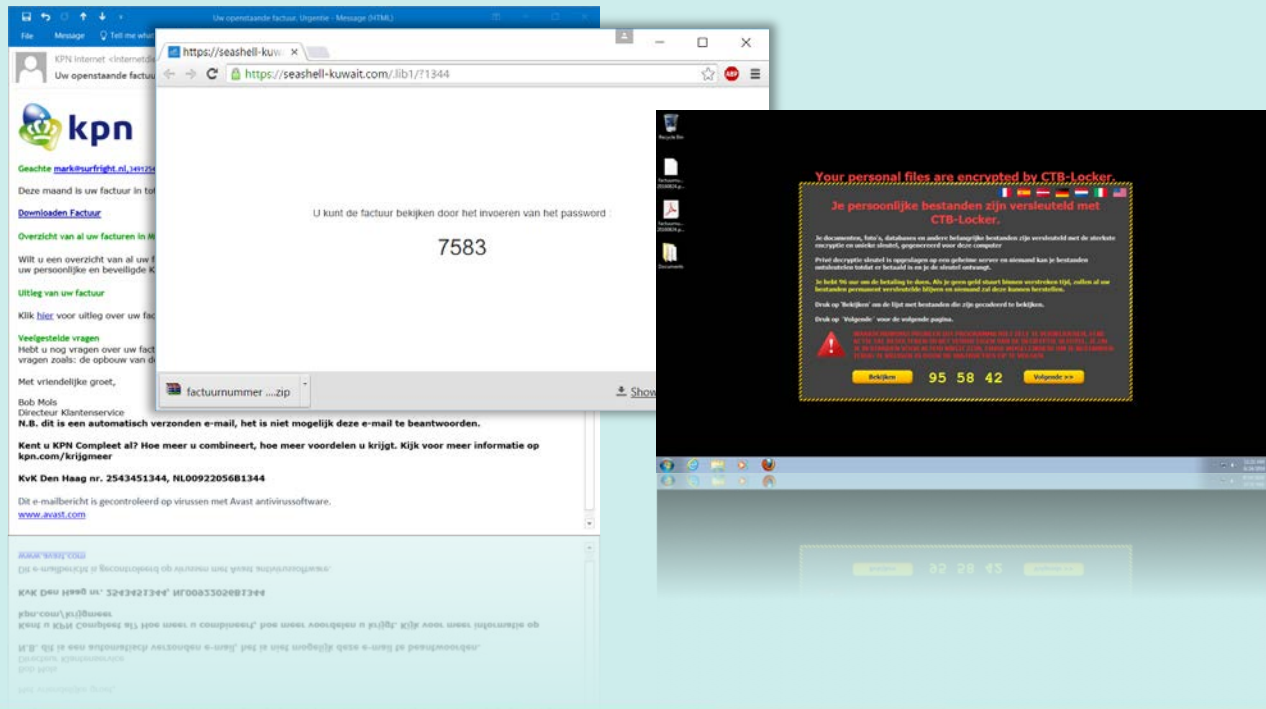
# What is social engineering?



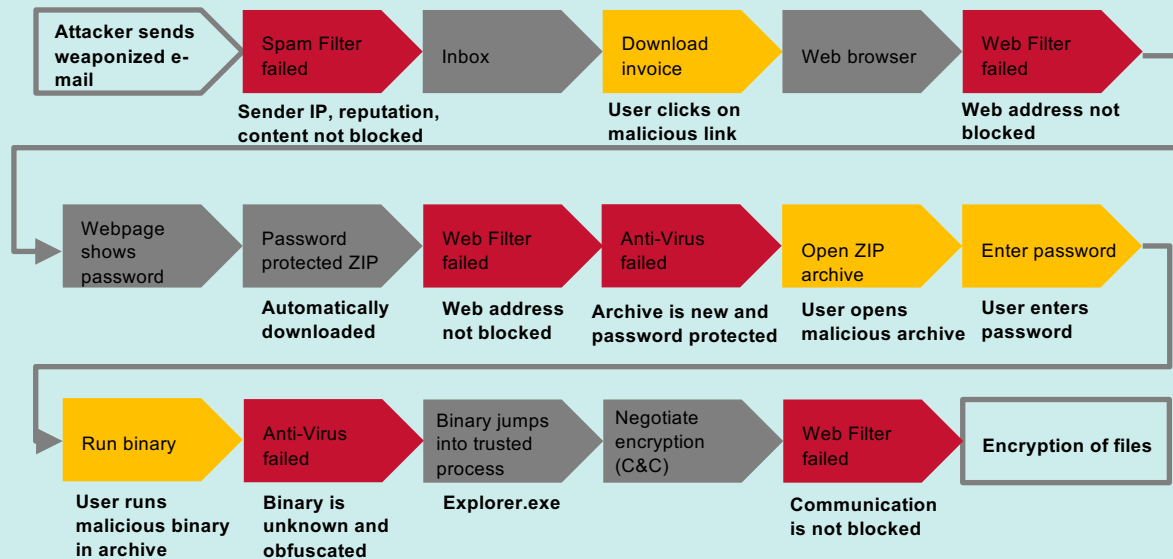
# Social Engineering Example



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# Social Engineering Flow (CTB-Locker ransomware)



# Comparison: Spam vs Exploit Kits

## Why email?

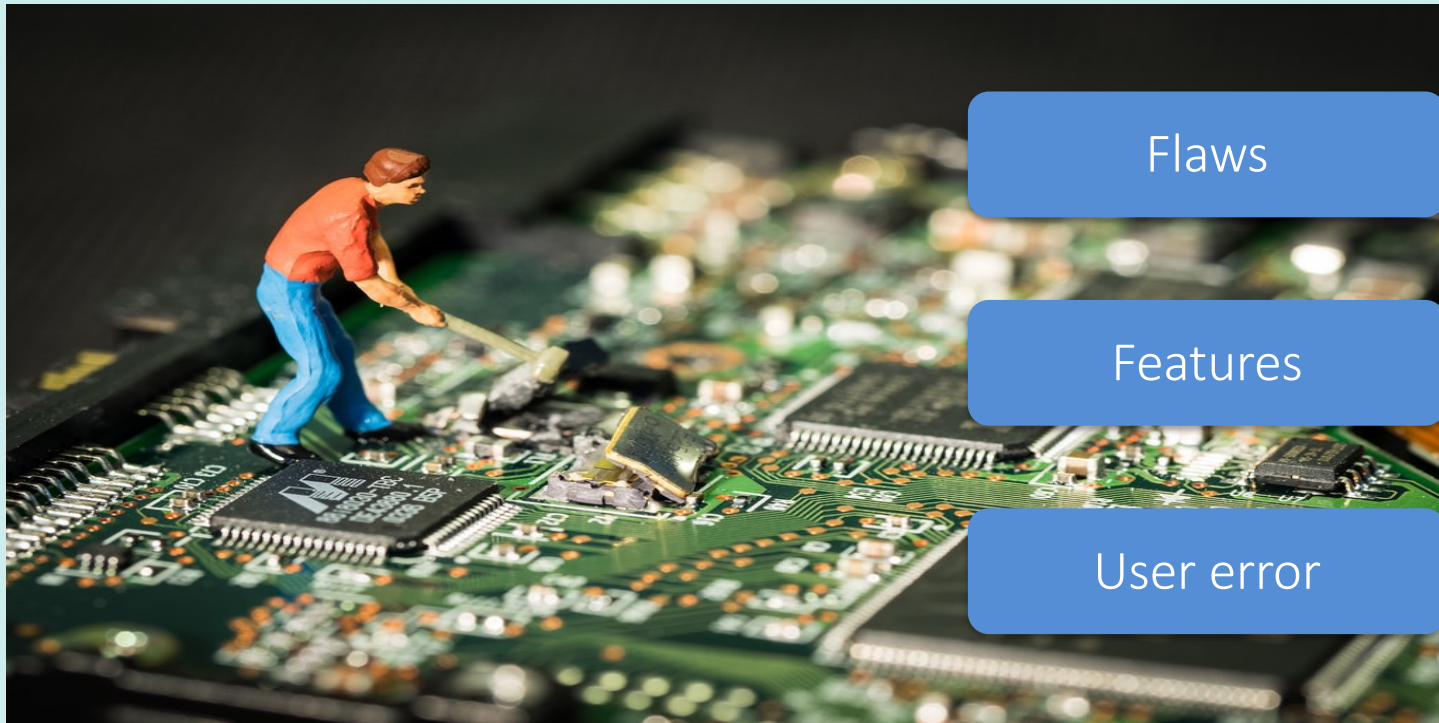


# Comparison: Spam vs Exploit Kits

## Angler revenue in a day



# Understanding vulnerabilities



Flaws

Features

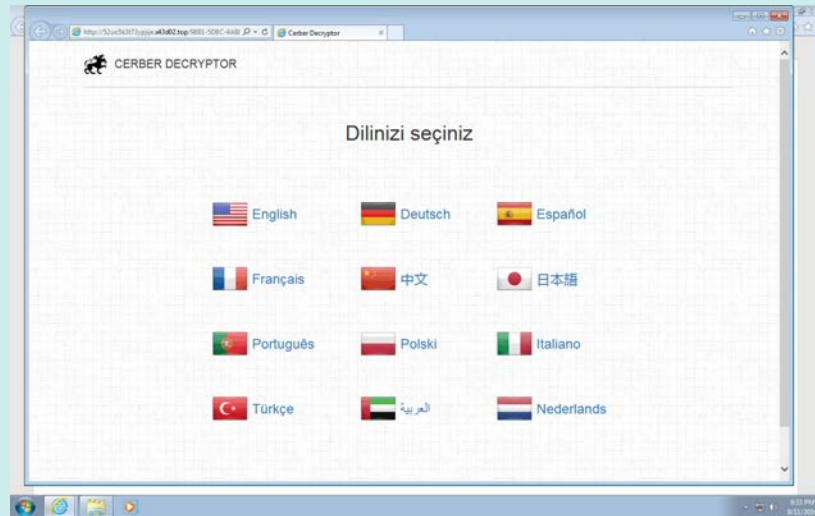
User error

# New tricks

- Use of other accepted file extensions (e.g. .WSF, .WSH, .HTA, .PUB files)
  - *Bypasses filters that proactively block known dangerous (ZIP) attachments (containing e.g. .EXE, .PDF.EXE, .JS, .DOCM as extension)*
- Use of a .DLL file (payload) instead of an .EXE (e.g. Locky/Zepto)
  - *In-memory attack; exploit attack delivers no files on the disk*
  - *Bypasses sandbox, signature and 'math-based, next-gen' products*
- Use of other active content in weaponized documents (no macros)
  - *e.g. RAA Ransomware*
- Use of only trusted binaries, part of the OS (no new code on machine)
  - *Bypasses application whitelisting, signature & 'math-based, next-gen' products*
- Manipulate timestamp, create extension-less copy, encrypt copy and delete original
  - *Cripple / shake off behavior-based monitoring*
- Multi-language support by attackers, to help victims pay the ransom
  - *Including chat support*

# Cerber crypto-ransomware

- Ransomware-as-a-service
- Localized e-mail and chat support
- Audio warning

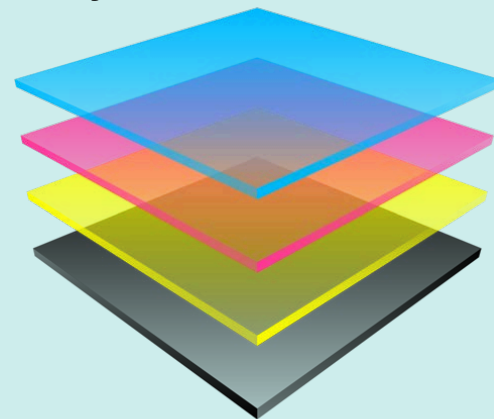


# Synchronized Security

As a minimum you should:

- Deploy antivirus protection
- Block spam
- Use a sandboxing solution
- Block risky file extensions (javascript, vbscript, chm etc...)
- Password protect archive files
- Use URL filtering (block access to C&C servers)
- Use HTTPS filtering
- Use HIPS (host intrusion prevention service) & other signature-less technologies
- Activate your client firewalls
- Use a whitelisting solution

**Enhancing layered security**



# Reducing the threat

## "Additional Steps"

Education

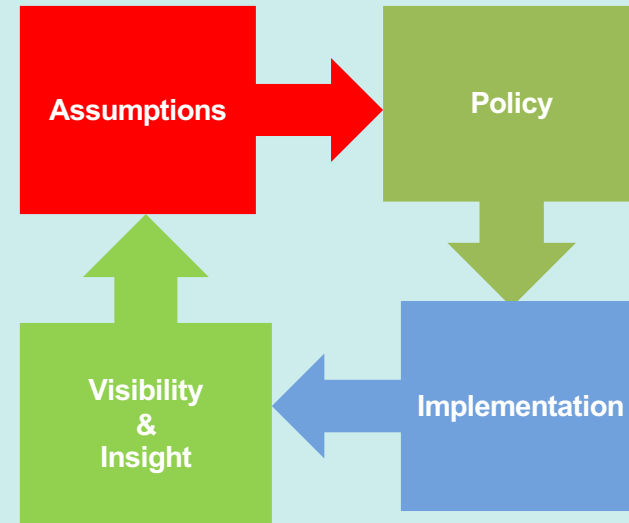
Encrypt Company  
Data

Use Security  
Analysis Tools

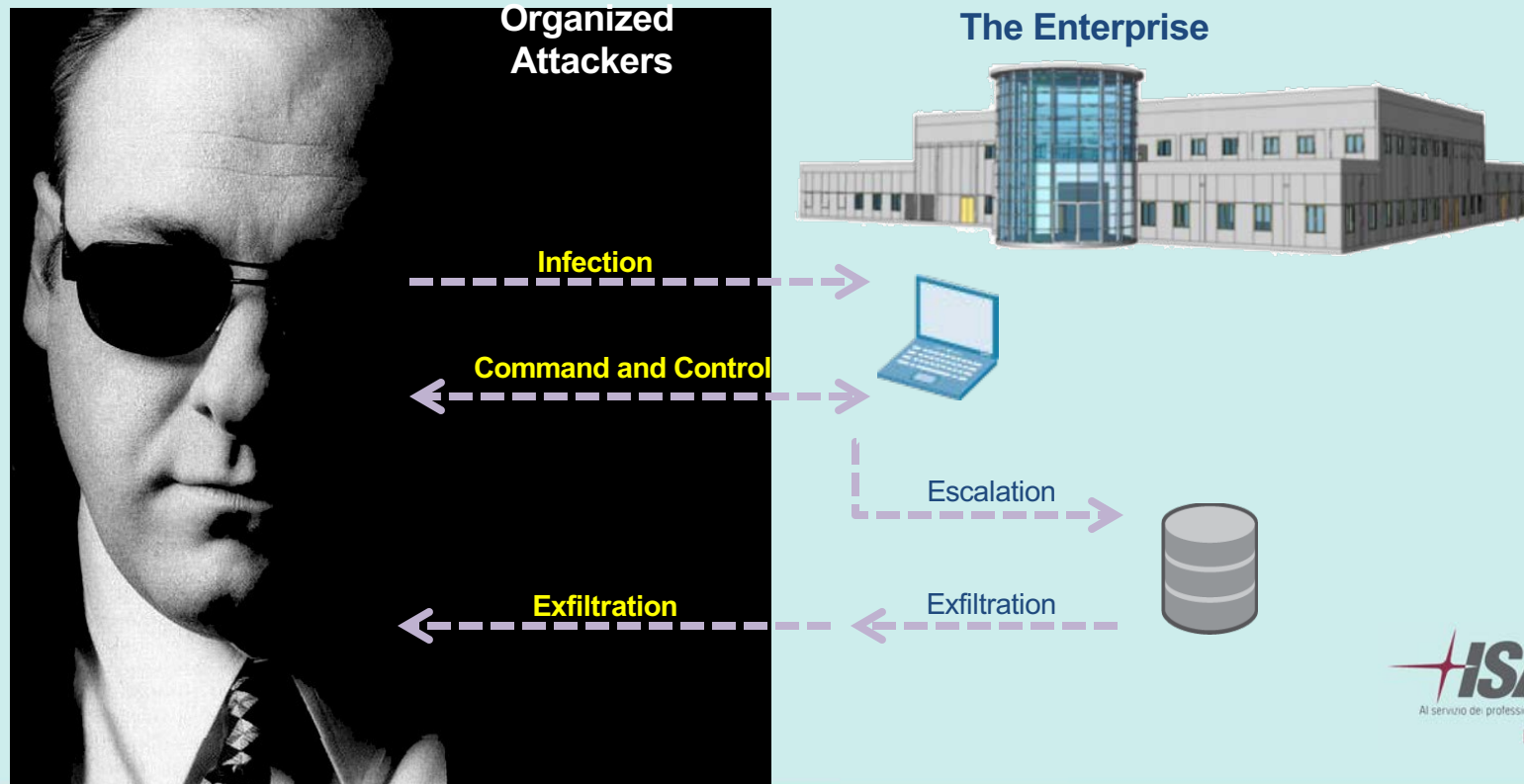


# Security from Policy to Application

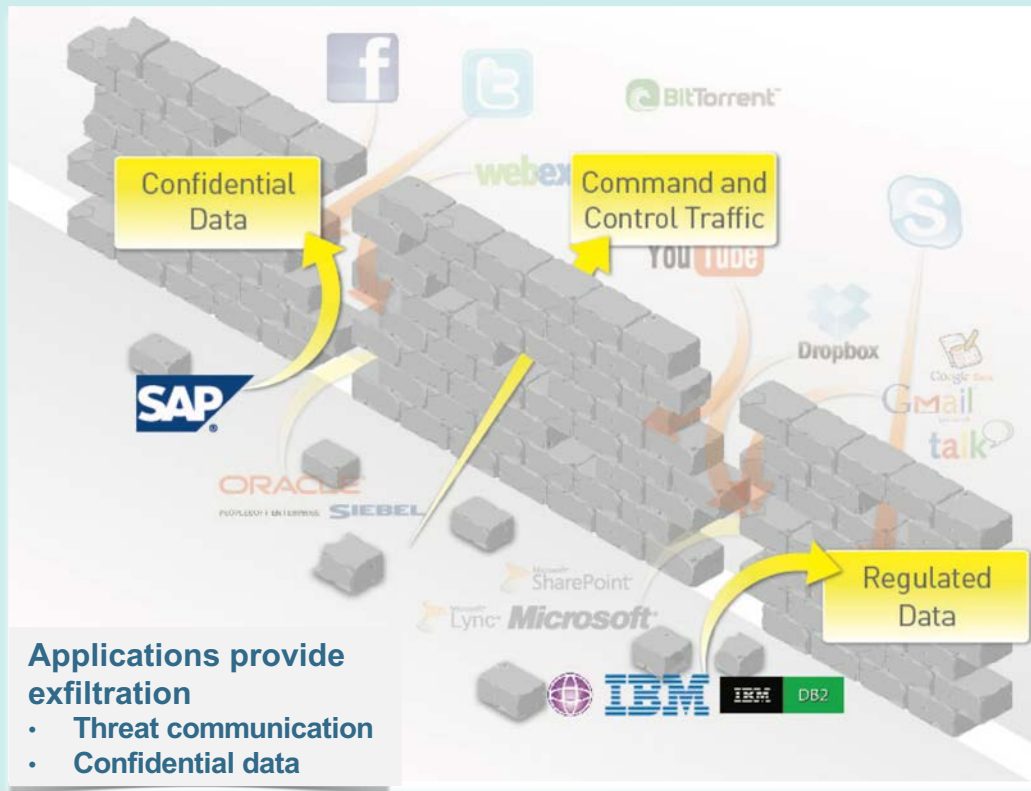
- What assumptions drive your security policy?
- Does your current security implementation adequately reflect that policy?
- Does your current security implementation provide the visibility and insight needed to shape your policy?



# Security Perimeter Paradigm

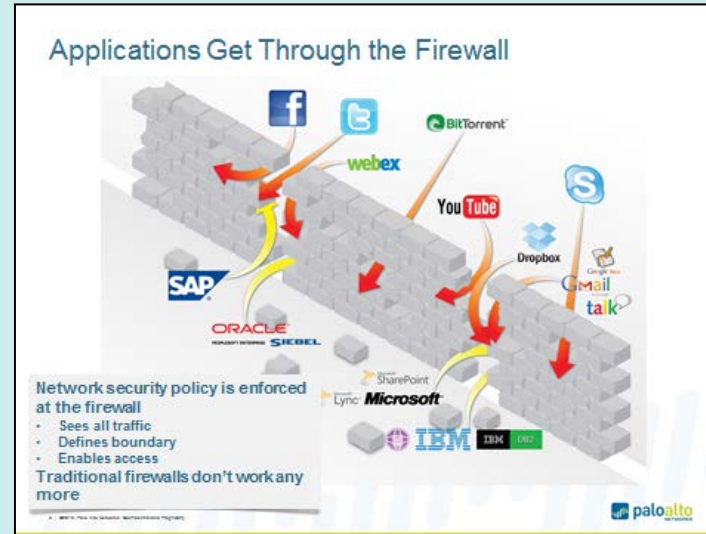


# Is there Malware inside your network today?



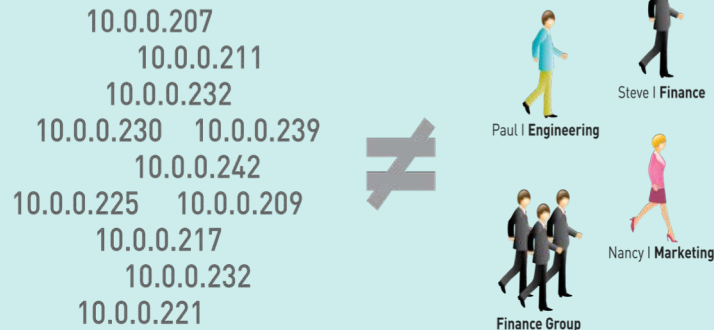
# Application Visibility

- Reduce attack surface
- Identify Applications that circumvent security policy
- Full traffic visibility that provides insight to drive policy
- Identify and inspect unknown traffic

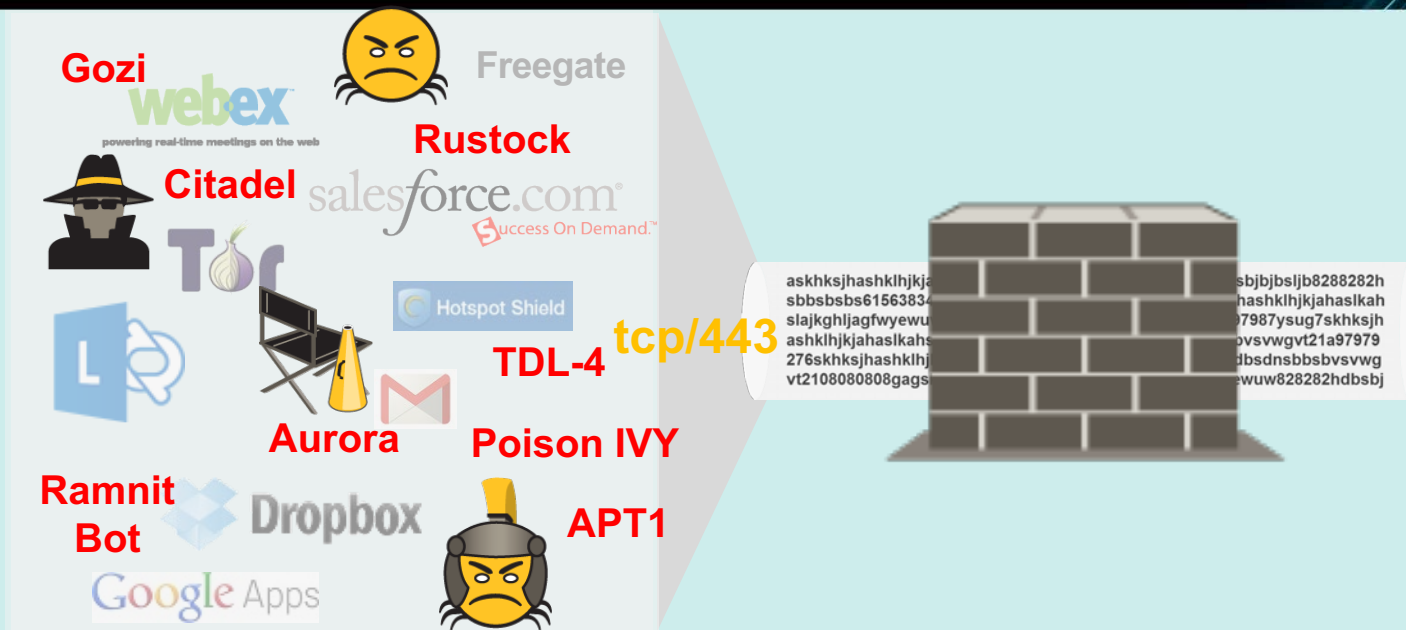


# Be suspicious

- Do NOT Trust, always verify all access
- Base security policy on users and their roles, not IP addresses.
- For groups of users, tie access to specific groups of applications
- Limit the amount of exfiltration via network segmentation



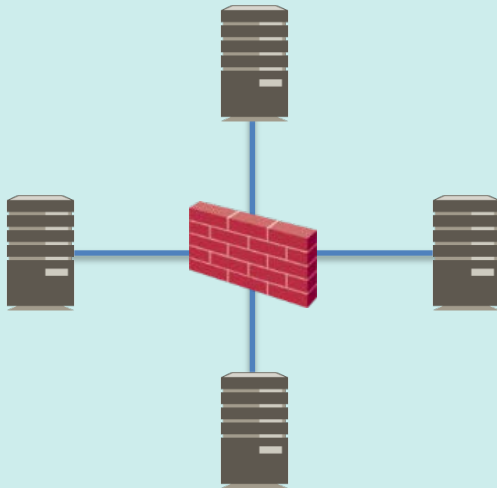
# SSL/Port 443: The Universal Firewall Bypass



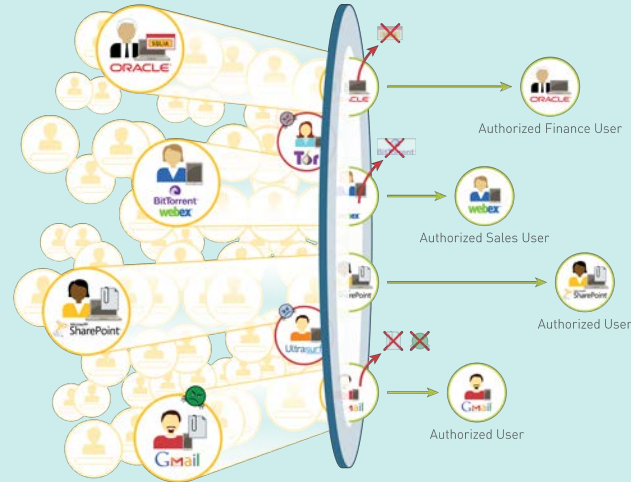
Challenge: Is SSL used to protect data and privacy, or to mask malicious actions?

# Evolution of Network Segmentation & Datacenter Security

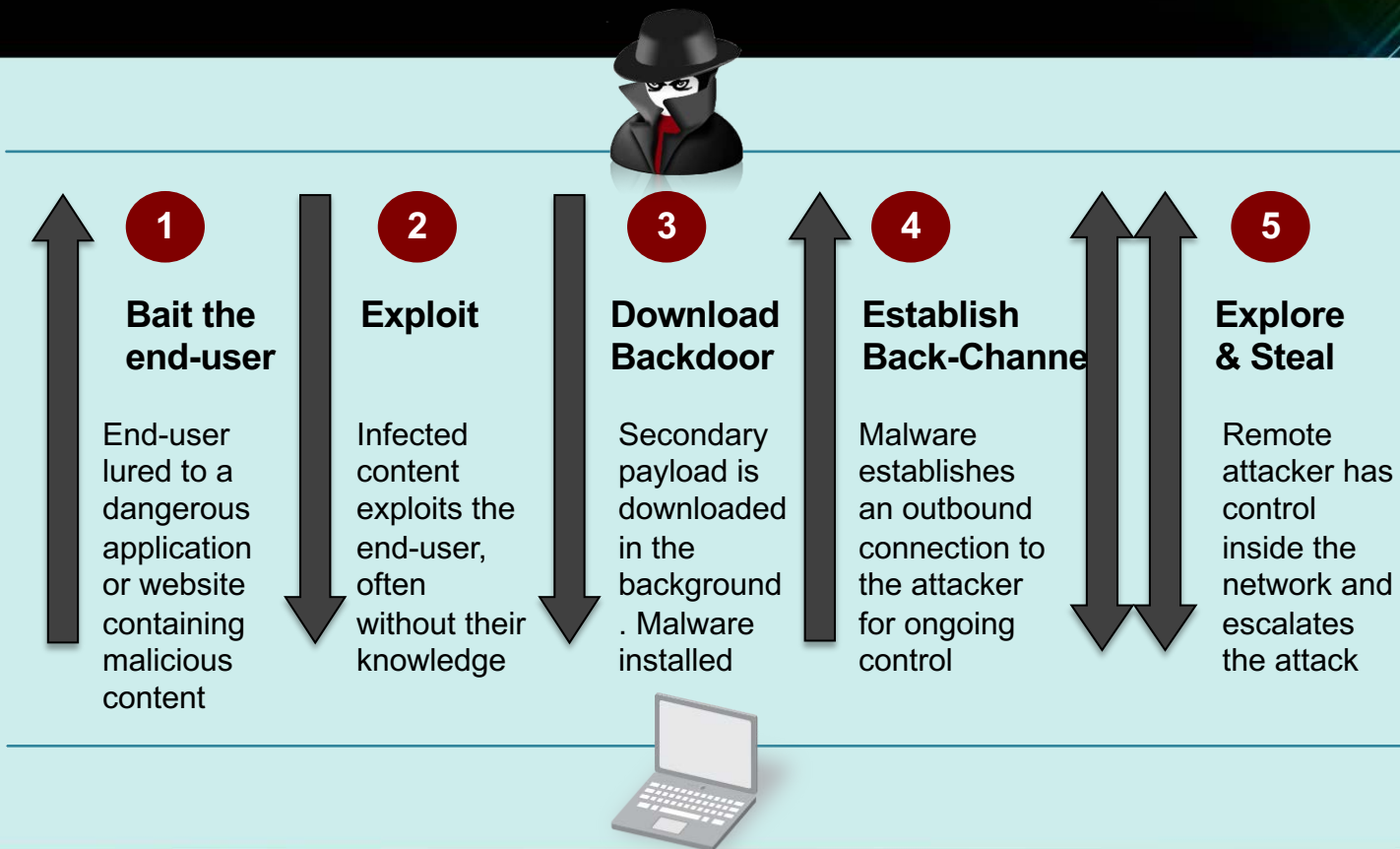
Packet Filtering, ACL's, IP/Port-based  
firewalling for known traffic?  
*Layer 1-4 Stateful Firewall*



Port-hopping applications, Malware,  
Mobile Users – Different entry points into DC?  
*Layer 7 "Next Generation" Appliance*

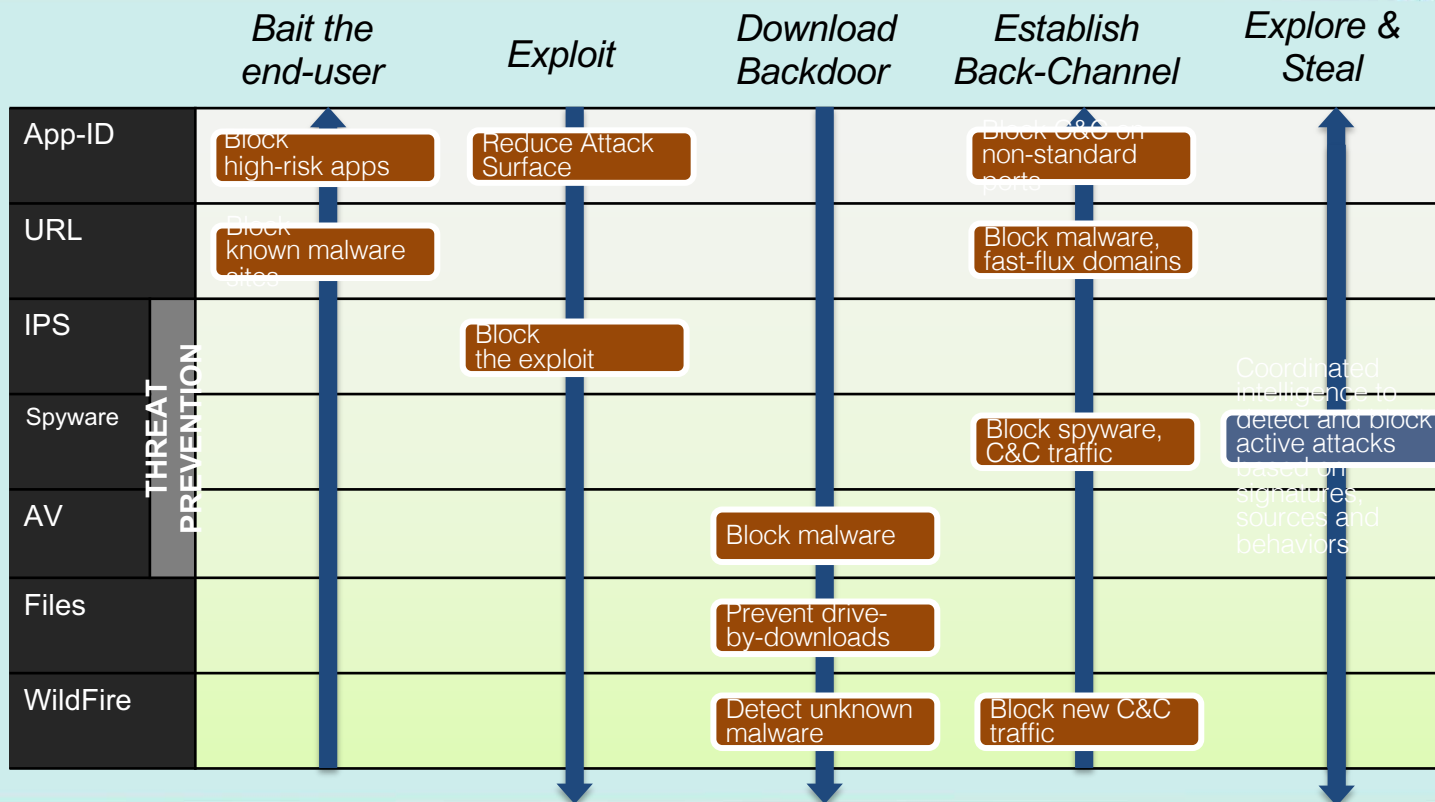


# Modern Attacks Are Coordinated



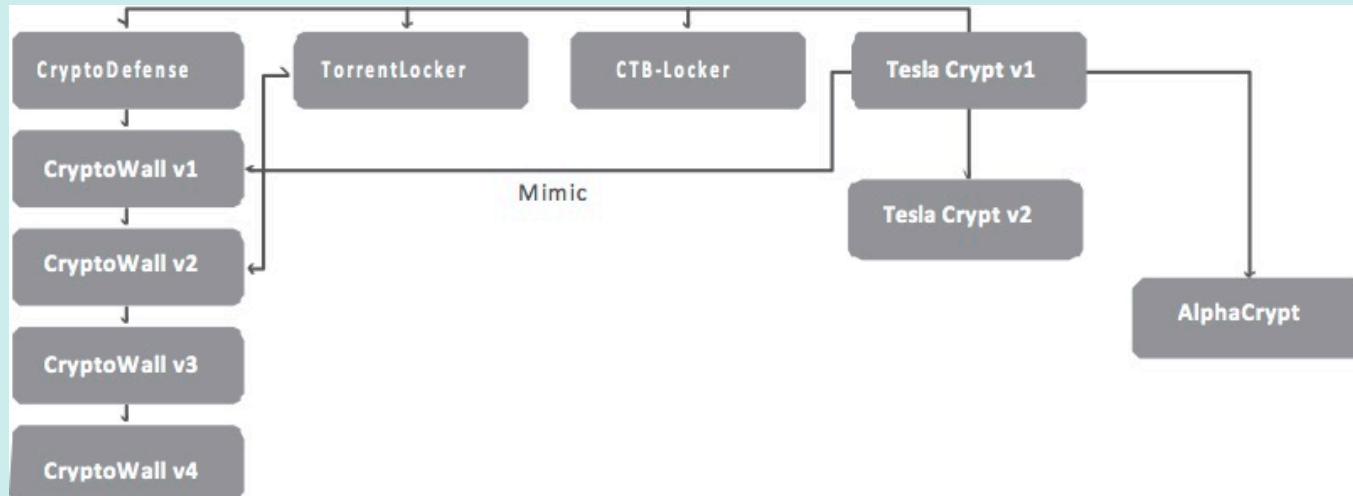
# Coordinated Threat Prevention

## An Integrated Approach to Threat Prevention



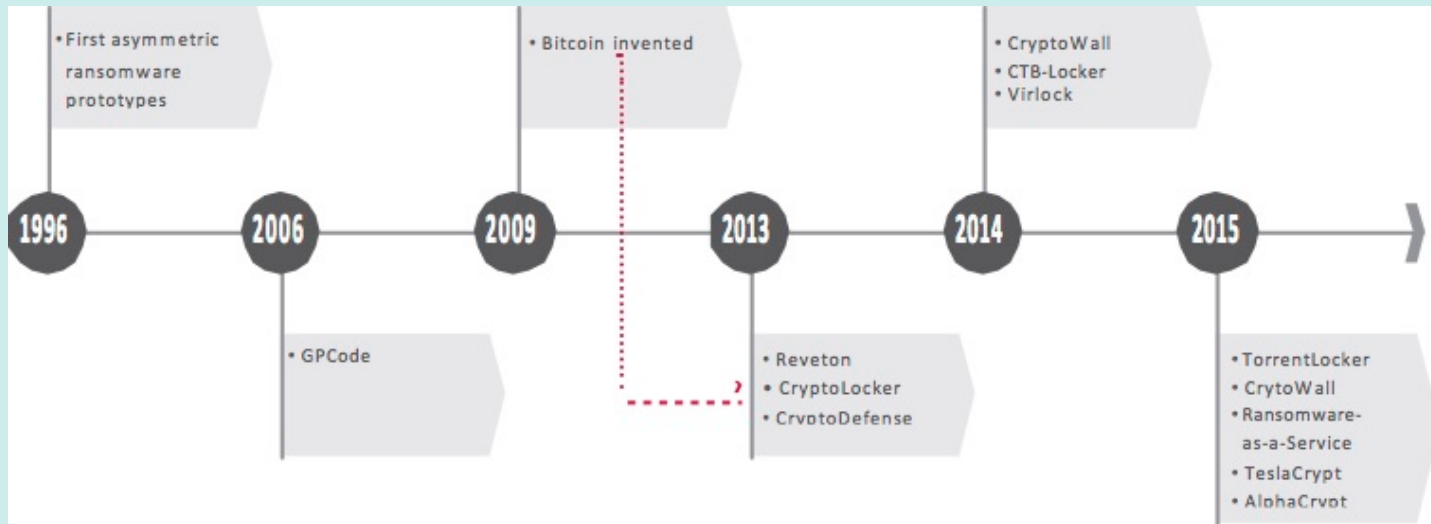
# Configure your own PC

- Cryptolocker first appeared in 2013. It seems its authors gained about 27 million dollars in bitcoin
- Today – with its numerous variations – Cryptolocker is considered one of the greatest web danger



# Configure your own PC

- Ransomware and spyware are successful because they exploit some weaknesses of human nature, mainly the natural tendency to give confidence to those we know or we think to know and not believing that these things can really happen



# Configure your own PC

- **Antivirus**

- Even if the traditional virus no longer represent a significant threat (and not the most severe), it is good to have always active and constantly-updated the antivirus software

- **Personal firewall**

- A personal firewall is a program installed on an ordinary personal computer (PC) that controls incoming and outgoing communications from the PC, allowing or prohibiting certain types of communication based on rules or security policies set by the user in the configuration phase

**Together** they constitute the main line of defense of our system



ANTIVIRUS



FIREWALL

# Configure your own PC

## The main characteristics a personal firewall must have (\*)

- Block or alert the user about all unauthorized inbound or outbound connection attempts
- Allows the user to control which programs can and cannot access the local network and/or Internet and provide the user with information about an application that makes a connection attempt
- Hide the computer from port scans by not responding to unsolicited network traffic
- Monitor applications that are listening for incoming connections
- Monitor and regulate all incoming and outgoing Internet users
- Prevent unwanted network traffic from locally installed applications
- Provide information about the destination server with which an application is attempting to communicate
- Track recent incoming events, outgoing events, and intrusion events to see who has accessed or tried to access your computer.
- Personal Firewall blocks and prevents hacking attempt or attack from hackers

# Free Internet?

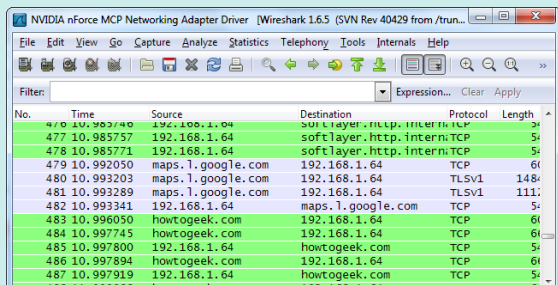
- Utilizing a public Wi-Fi access service or – worse – going to an Internet Cafe is dangerous even accessing to protected web which make use of SSL
- There're several serious problems when using a public Wi-Fi network:
  - The open nature of the network facilitates snooping (interceptions)
  - Compromised machines could be connected
  - Even more alarming – the hotspot itself could be dangerous

**Never use a public Wi-Fi network  
for online banking or any other  
confidential activity!**

# Free Internet?

- **Snooping**

- When connecting to an open Wi-Fi network as in a bar or in an airport, the network is generally not encrypted - in fact it is not necessary to enter a personal password upon connection. The traffic is thus clearly visible to all
- Software as Firesheep or Wireshark allow you to easily view web sessions of other users and capture and analyze network traffic



The image shows a Wireshark window titled "NVIDIA nForce MCP Networking Adapter Driver [Wireshark 1.6.5 (SVN Rev 40429 from /trun...". The interface includes a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Go, Capture, Analyze, Statistics, Telephony, Tools, Internals, Help), a toolbar, and a filter field. The main pane displays a list of captured packets with columns for No., Time, Source, Destination, Protocol, and Length. The packets are filtered by 'Expression...' and show a mix of protocols including HTTP, TCP, and TLSv1.

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length
470	10.983740	192.168.1.64	softlayer.http.intern.TCP	TCP	54
477	10.983757	192.168.1.64	softlayer.http.intern.TCP	TCP	54
478	10.983771	192.168.1.64	softlayer.http.intern.TCP	TCP	54
479	10.992050	maps.1.google.com	192.168.1.64	TCP	60
480	10.993203	maps.1.google.com	192.168.1.64	TLSv1	148
481	10.993289	maps.1.google.com	192.168.1.64	TLSv1	111
482	10.993341	192.168.1.64	maps.1.google.com	TCP	54
483	10.996050	howtogeek.com	192.168.1.64	TCP	60
484	10.997745	howtogeek.com	192.168.1.64	TCP	60
485	10.997800	192.168.1.64	howtogeek.com	TCP	54
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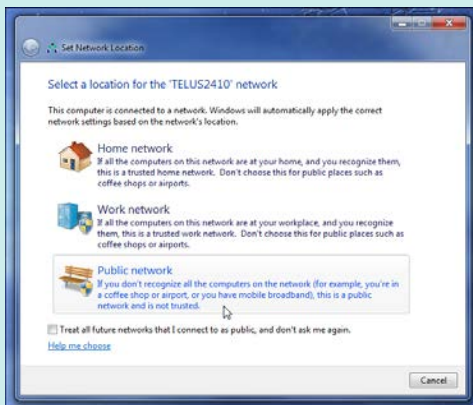
## Protections

1. Only connect to sites that use cryptography
2. The browser extension "HTTPS Everywhere" can help to force the routing of the connection toward the protected pages when available
3. Use a reliable VPN (fee)

# Free Internet?

- **Compromised devices**

- To the public network can be connected compromised devices which may start attacks against our system
- The presence of viruses, spyware and other malicious software is constant in public Wi-Fi networks



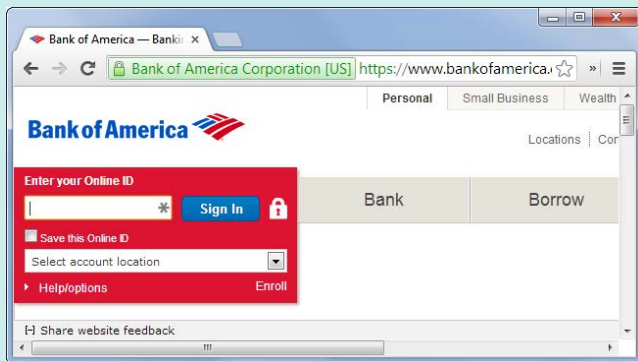
## Protections

1. *Select the option "public network" when you connect*
2. *Verify that our computer is up to date*
3. *Enable the internal Personal Firewall (at least the Windows internal, if we don't have bought one more reliable)*

# Free Internet?

- **Malicious hotspot**

- This may be due to the fact that the hotspot system has been compromised
- We may be connected to a false network (honeypots). If you are connecting to a Wi-Fi "public", you cannot be completely certain that the network is the legitimate one and not a created in art by an attacker
- Software like **sslstrip** can intercept transparently HTTP sessions
- **WiFi Pineapple** is an easy-to-use device that allows you to achieve this type of attack



## Protections

1. *Do not perform online banking or treat sensitive data, even if the sites use Encryption HTTP*
2. *Use a reliable VPN (not free)*

# Secure Messaging

- Even if messaging services such as **WhatsApp** and **iMessage** - after many insistence by users – to use encryption to protect the conversations, they are still insecure in other ways
  - WhatsApp, for example, maintains the metadata relating to our conversations (that include date, time-stamp, and phone numbers involved), and share user information with its parent application Facebook



Ricochet is a different approach to instant messaging that doesn't trust anyone in protecting your privacy

- Eliminate metadata. Nobody knows who you are, who you talk to, or what you say
- Stay anonymous
- Share what you want, without sharing your identity and location
- Nobody in the middle. There are no servers to monitor, censor, or hack
- Safe by default. Security isn't secure until it's automatic and easy to use



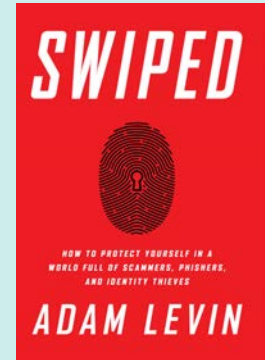
## Chat with your friends, securely

*Cryptocat is free software with a simple mission: everyone should be able to chat with their friends in privacy*

- Open source. All Cryptocat software is published transparently
- Encrypted by default. Every message is encrypted, always
- Forward secure. Chats are safe even if your keys are stolen
- Multiple devices. Devices receive messages even when offline
- File sharing. Securely share files with friends.

# Safe use of social media

- *“I was just doing it to tease her, basically.” It was a harmless tweet. A girl named Brooklyn from Prosper, Texas, sent a picture to her friend Alanna in reply to one of many tweets about a cute boy Alanna had seen while shopping at a big-box store in nearby Frisco. Then something fundamentally unknowable happened: the mysterious Internet phenomenon of going viral. ... In the world of Big Data, with mobile, Internet-connected cameras in every pocket, we are always just a few clicks away from being everywhere. The young man whose picture went viral got a real-life taste of that fact when his total lack of privacy became apparent; he became an Internet sensation by doing nothing but bagging products at the checkout counter.*
- Adam Levin, “Swiped”, ed. Public Affairs, NY, 2015



# Help to protect our online identity



Apply these privacy settings to control what the most popular websites in the world know us:

## Facebook

Facebook has a tendency to constantly change privacy settings without informing the users (Https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2016/jun/29/facebook-privacy-secret-profile-exposed). These simple elements lock our data and will guide us toward a safer navigation!

1. **Exit the targeted advertising**(<https://www.facebook.com/ads/preferences/edit/>).
  - Between memes and status (which we denote as 'like')(it's alarming to see how many things Mark Zuccurberg knows about us!
2. **Carry out the privacy checkup**(<https://www.facebook.com/about/basics>)
  - It is a reliable tool to check the privacy settings of Facebook, especially if we are at the beginning of the journey of customization. With this process, made up of three steps, you can control who can see our post and which applications have access to the data of our profile.
3. **Spend a little time with the control panel**
  - Do not make mistakes: the checkup tool is not robust like the entire Privacy Settings & Tools panel of Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/settings?tab=privacy>). It can be a little difficult at the beginning, but it is worth spending five minutes to become familiar with it.

# Help to protect our online identity

## Google

The company, whose name is synonymous with "research", was notable for its share of the security problems ([https://www.thrillist.com/news/nation/gooligan-malware-hack-13 million-google-account](https://www.thrillist.com/news/nation/gooligan-malware-hack-13-million-google-account)) and delays in fixing them. Better check if our email account has been violated (<https://haveibeenpwned.com/>) because one of their recent security flaws.

4. **Complete the Google Security Checkup** (<https://myaccount.google.com/privacycheckup>)
  - The checkup of Google Security offers a great way to verify that recovery information is current and that applications and web sites linked to our account are those that still use and trust.
5. **Review the settings on advertising** (<https://myaccount.google.com/intro/privacy#ads/>)
  - The settings on the ads in Google does not offer the possibility to disable them as in Facebook. But allow you to deactivate the customization.
6. **"Let's take control" of privacy settings** (<https://privacy.google.com/take-control.html>)
  - The Google privacy settings page of Google is as a glossary of the individual setup pages on privacy. From the history of the YouTube videos you have watched, to tracking with your mobile phone on maps, this is the best place to start the block of private data that we share with Google.

# Help to protect our online identity



## Amazon

Last year, a security breach (<http://www.dailydot.com/debug/amazon-hack-80000-passwords-usernames/>) made the information more than 80,000 customers of Amazon compromised. From here the hope that the data users are ultra secure in the near future made of "delivery-drones"...

### 7. Keep the list(s) of secret desires

- Surprise! If we were already aware, it is good to know that the wish list at Amazon is public for all, unless we hide it. Fortunately this can be accomplished easily in the List Manager of Amazon ([https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/side/manage/ref=cm\\_wl\\_mng\\_lists\\_nojs](https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/side/manage/ref=cm_wl_mng_lists_nojs)).

### 8. Bring your own identity

- There is a bit of work to do for the privacy if we left the parameters of our profile on Amazon as default:
  1. Edit our profile (<https://www.amazon.com/profile>) so that the public reviews do not bring our full name;
  2. Go to 'edit privacy settings' ([https://www.amazon.com/gp/profile/amzn1.account.AGBUQJ4BEKOGSC266MXRVQZAI5XQ/edit\\_public\\_activity\\_settings#](https://www.amazon.com/gp/profile/amzn1.account.AGBUQJ4BEKOGSC266MXRVQZAI5XQ/edit_public_activity_settings#)) and verify the data that we wish to share: by someone to all.

# Real identity?

- Remember to always treat personal data as if they were money, because someone else is making money from them

**Privacy is a value, protect our online data!**

By the way: it is really necessary to always provide our real data?!

The screenshot shows the 'FAKE NAME GENERATOR' website. At the top, there are navigation links: 'Generatore di nomi', 'Strumenti gratuiti', 'Ordini in grandi volumi', 'Generatore di Social', and 'FAQ'. Below the navigation bar, the title 'La tua identità generata a caso' is displayed. The main content area shows a generated identity for 'Douglas C. Torres'. A yellow arrow points from the text 'By the way: it is really necessary to always provide our real data?!' to the 'Nome da mobile della madre' field.

**FAKE NAME GENERATOR™**

Generatore di nomi | Strumenti gratuiti | Ordini in grandi volumi | Generatore di Social | FAQ

La tua identità generata a caso

Sexo:  | Questi set di nomi si applicano a questo paese: **Americano, Dapense**

Set di:  |

Passo:  |

**Nome** | **Opzioni avanzate**

**Douglas C. Torres**  
694 Fancher Drive  
Dallas, TX 75218  
Clicca qui per sapere cosa Douglas significa? | **Clicca qui per iscriverli**

Nome da mobile della madre: **Hodges**

SSN: **634-26-XXXX**  
Clicca qui per sapere cosa il tuo SSN ti svela?

Coordinate geografiche: **32,779594, -96,715223**

**TELEFONO**

Telefono: **214-219-1897**

Country code: **1**

**COMPLEANNO**

Compleanno: **July 18, 1945**

Età: **71 anni**

Tropical email: **Gender**

**ONLINE**

Indirizzo email: **DouglasCTorres@teleworm.us**  
Clicca qui per verificare se il tuo indirizzo email esiste. | **Clicca qui per attivarli**

Nome utente: **Amazns1945**

Password: **nafu4Knee**

Sito web: **carriestop.com**

Browser user agent: **Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10\_11\_6) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/55.0.2883.95 Safari/537.36**

**FINANCE**

Vite: **4829-2120-3449-3073**

Scade: **2/2020**

CVV3: **417**

**EMPLOYMENT**

Società: **ManPower**

Occupazione: **Food service worker**

**PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Altezza: **5' 7" (166 centimetri)**

Peso: **165.0 libbre (74.8 chilogrammi)**

Tipi di sangue: **O+**

**TRACKING NUMBERS**

Numero di tracking: **12 245 637 52 2164 759 5**

UPS: **1147180895**

Western Union MTCN: **8946434**

MoneyGram MTCN: **8946434**

**OTHER**

Colore preferito: **Violet**

Veicolo: **2013 Honda CR-Z**

GUSTO: **66252679-0473-4c61-8ac-9020504619a**

Codice QR: **Clicca per vedere il codice QR per questa identità**

# Awareness & Training

- Human factor is the weakest link of the security chain
  - Implementation of virus protection, firewalls, and content filtering technologies **may help** to control risk factors;
  - Careless or superficial user behavior **compromises** network security
  - User training is a **key measure** for network security strategy



Personnel awareness contributes to:

- safety and privacy of corporate information
- use of the Internet and the associated risks: dialer, Trojan horses, spyware, ransomware, etc.

Thanks for your attention!



# Questions?

