

Cybersecurity: Fact vs. Fiction Dispelling FUD

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Cybercrime: Fact vs. Fiction

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Introduction to PhishLabs

What we do: PhishLabs is the leading provider of cybercrime

protection and intelligence services that fight back against online threats and reduce the risk posed by

phishing, malware, distributed denial of service

(DDoS) and other cyber-attacks.

Where: HQ in Charleston, SC with staff in 4 countries

How: 24x7x365 Security Operations Center investigates

and mitigates ~50,000 incidents / year

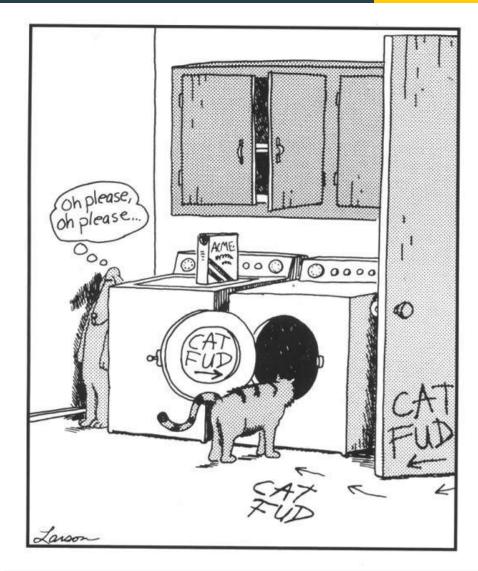


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Eight charged in US over cyber crime ring

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EIGHT alleged members of an international cybercrime ring have been accused of hacking into the computers of more than a dozen leading financial institutions and the US army's payroll service.

US prosecutors said the scheme to steal millions from customer accounts was led by Oleksiv Sharapka, 33, of Kiev, Ukraine, who remains at large along with a second Ukrainian citizen.

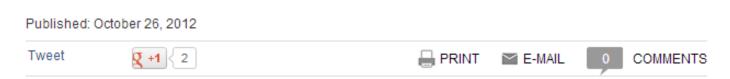
The conspiracy is alleged to have begun about the same time Sharapka was deported from the US in 2012 after serving time in federal prison in Massachusetts.







3.6 million Social Security numbers hacked in S.C.

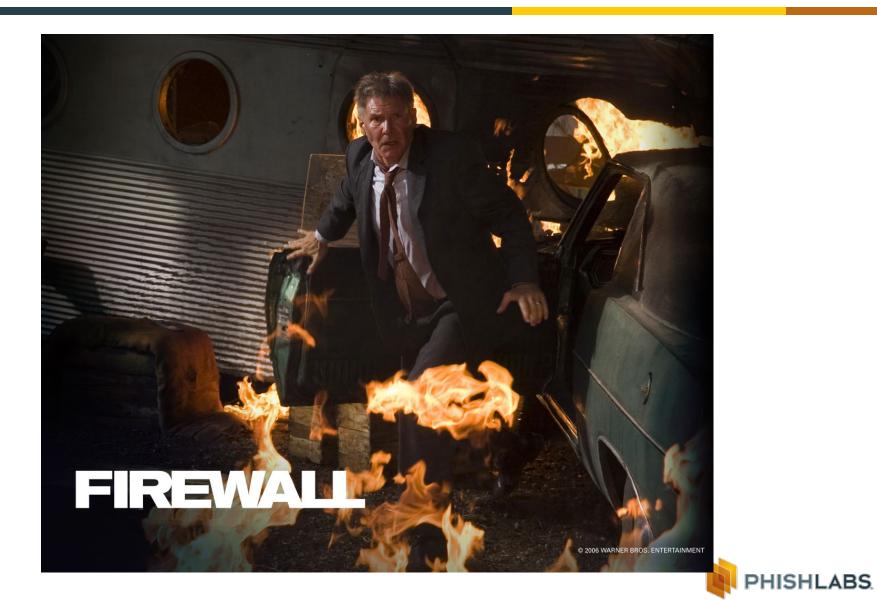


Tax returns, personal data compromised in 'massive' breach

By NOELLE PHILLIPS — nophillips@thestate.com

The U.S. Secret Service detected a security breach at the S.C. Department of Revenue on Oct. 10, but it took state officials 10 days to close the attacker's access and another six days to inform the public that 3.6 million Social Security numbers had been compromised.







Fast-Talking Computer Hacker Just Has To Break Through Encryption Shield Before Uploading Nano-Virus

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Myth: You're responsible for fraud on your

ATM / debit card

Reality: Consumers are not responsible for

unauthorized ATM transactions

under Regulation E (Electronic Fund

Transfer Act)



Myth: You're responsible for fraud on your

credit card

Reality: Your not responsible for credit card

fraud as long as it is promptly

reported



Myth: Most hackers target their victims

Reality: Most hackers are opportunistic.

They don't care who their victim is in most cases



Myth: Macs are more secure the PCs

(Windows)

Reality: Macs are not inherently more secure

than PCs. Windows PC are targeted

by malware more often since they're

more ubiquitous. As Macs and

smartphones have become

increasingly popular, the prevalence of

malware and attack code for these

platforms has increased



Myth: If I keep my AntiVirus software

up-to-date, I won't get infected.

Reality: Thousands of new pieces of

malware are released every day.

AntiVirus software provides some

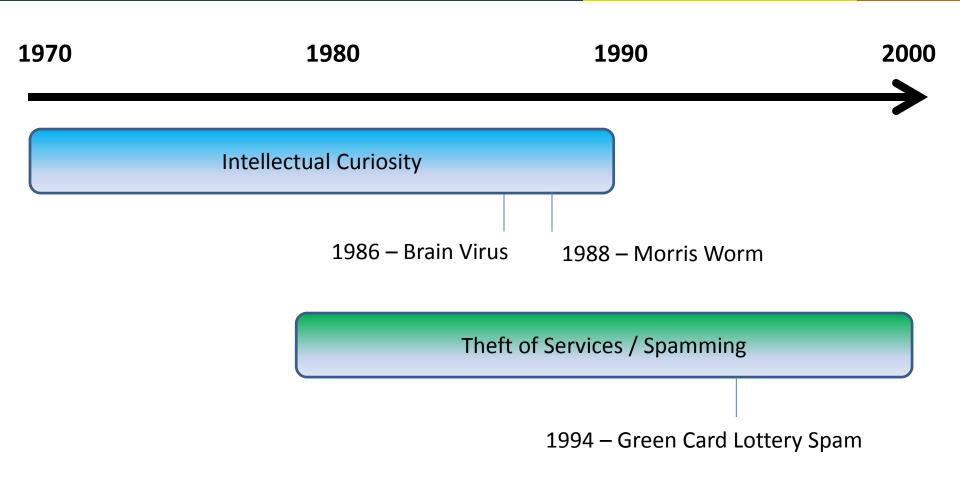
protection, but most infection

happens because your other

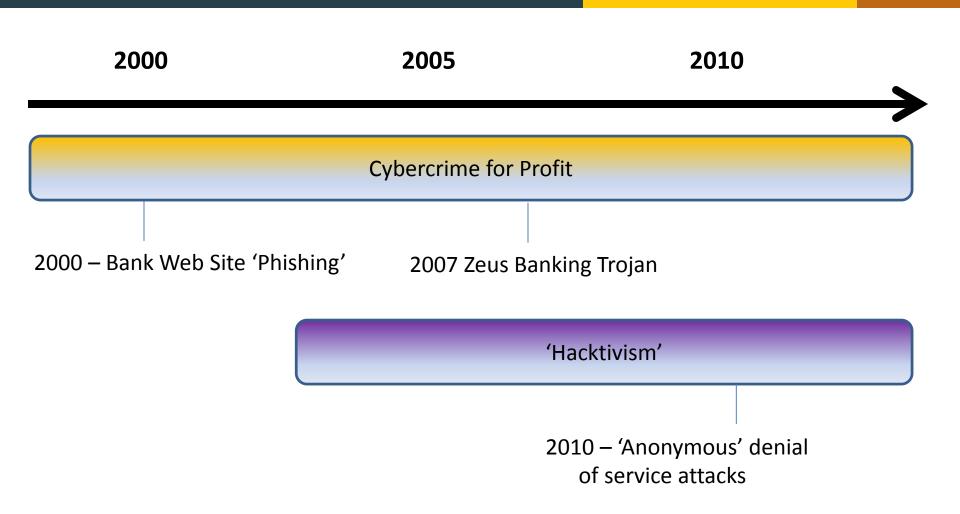
software isn't up to date or you

decide to run an unknown program.

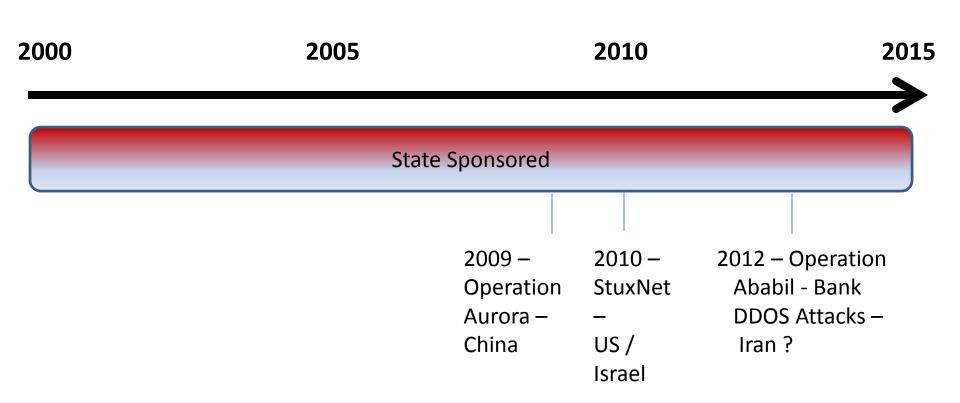










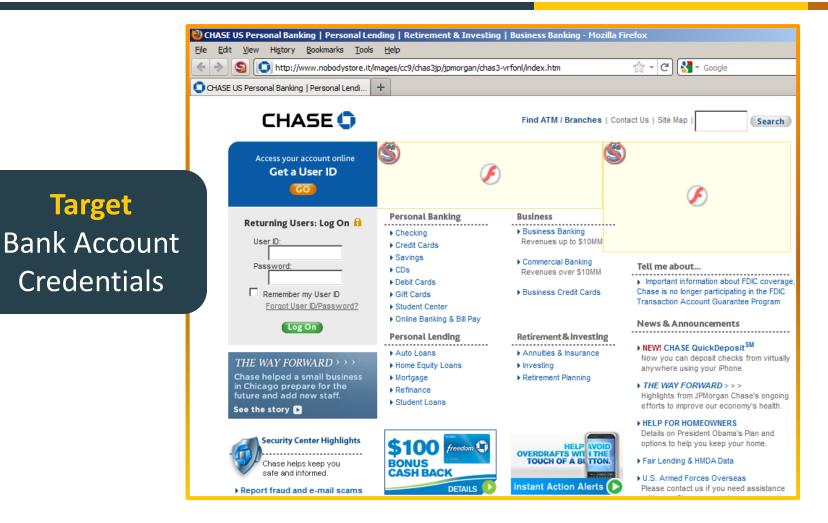




Cybersecurity incidents by type of target:

Motivation	Targets
Theft of Services	ISPs, Telcos, Fmail Providers, Web sites
Money / e-theft	Individuals and businesses
Hacktivism / Political Activism	Government, NGOs, companies targeted by activists
Financial Espionage	Large corporations
Nation State Aggression	Critical infrastructure
Intelligence Gathering	Defense Contractors, Government, Other vendors to Government

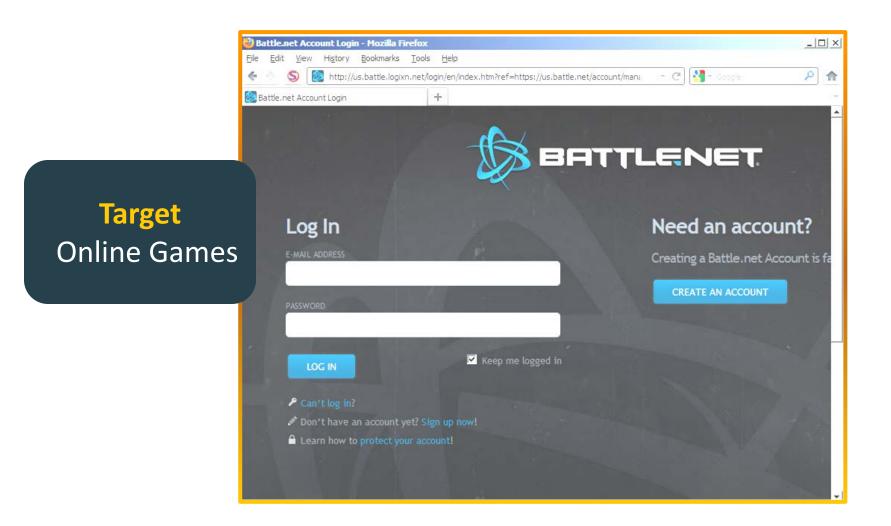




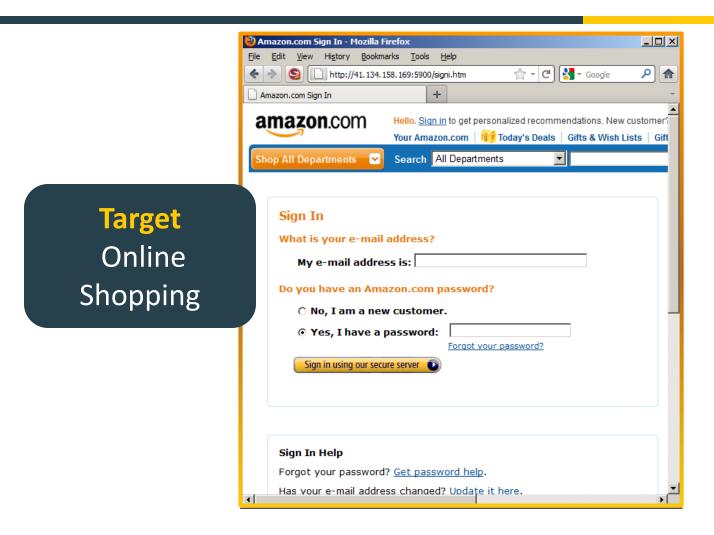


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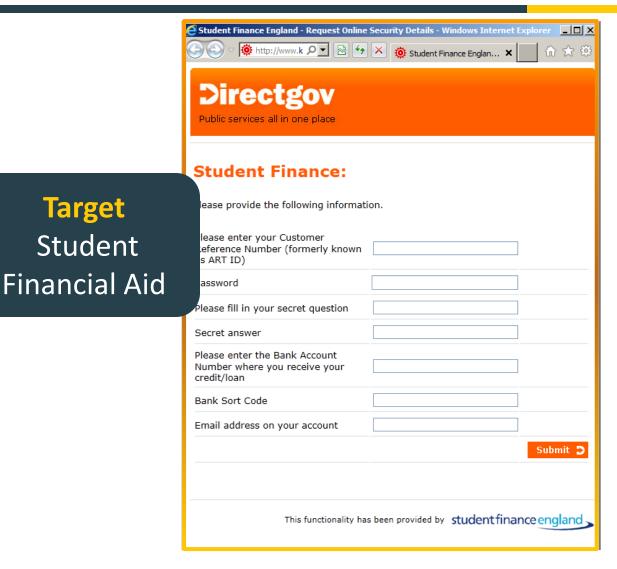
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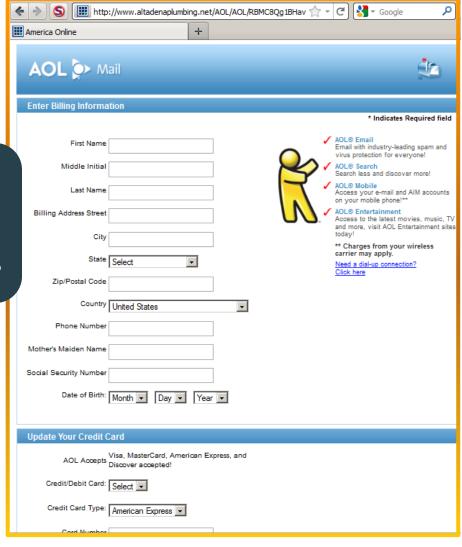
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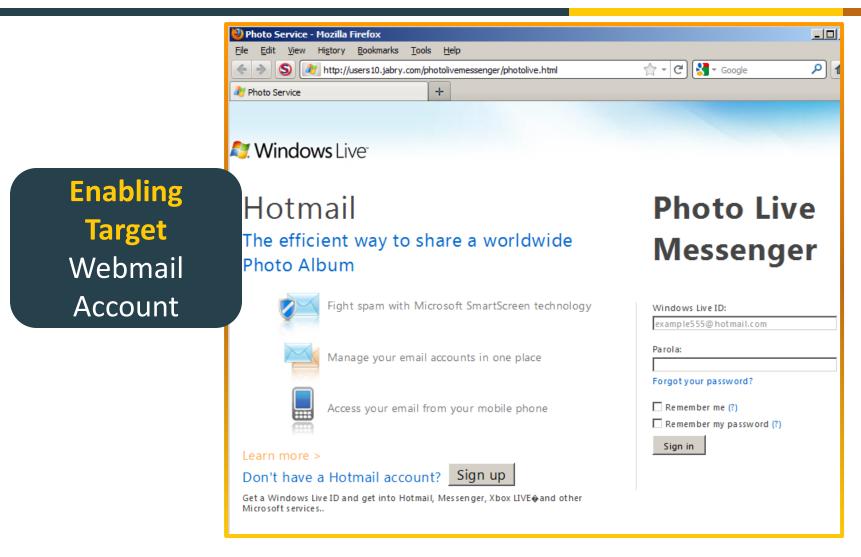


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Target
Proxy Services

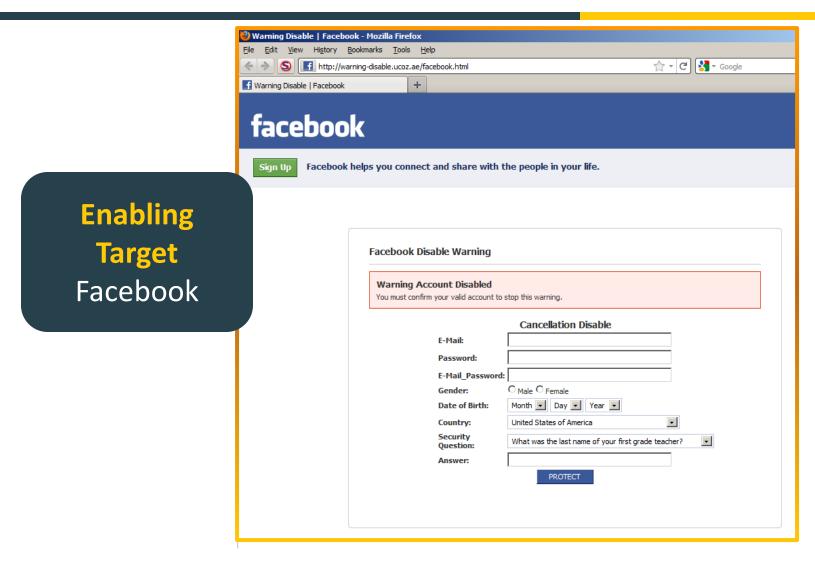




Prevent. Defend. Fight back.



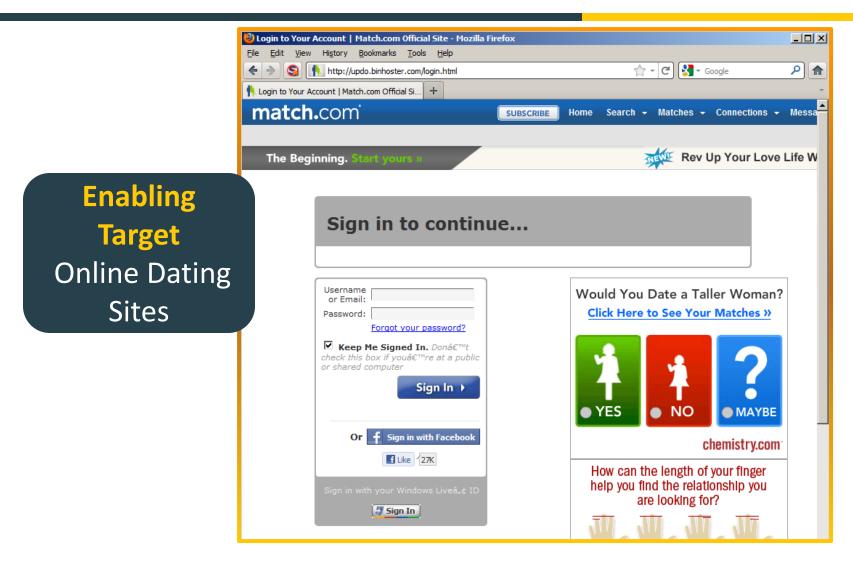






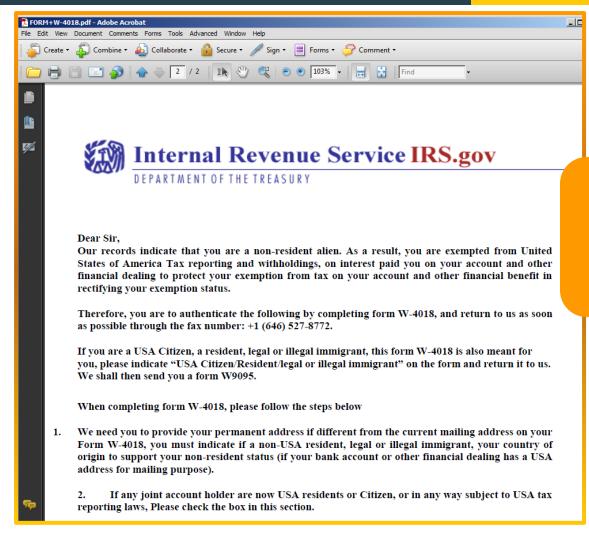
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Phishing by Victim



Whaling
PDF Attachment
Sent to Bank
Executive



Advanced Persistent Threats

IT Security & Network Security News

DOE Lab Shuts Down Email, Web Access After Sophisticated Cyber-Attack

By: Fahmida Y. Rashid 2011-07-06 Article Rating: ***** / 4

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IT managers to shut down all of the facility's computer link Follow @KimZetter · 2,912 followers contain the damage.

Essential computer services remain offline nearly a week after a cyber-attackers hit another Department of Energy laboratory, this time in the state of Washington.

The Energy Department's Pacific Northwest National Laboratory in Washington shut down Internet access and email services following a sophisticated cyber-attack, according to a July 5 post on the facility's Twitter account. Officials became aware of the cyber-attack on July 1, Greg Koller, the lab's spokesperson, told the Associated Press

The Definitive Story About the **Most Sophisticated Cyberattack** in History

By Alexis Madrigal

Hacker Spies Hit Security Firm RSA

Cyber-attackers hit another Department of Energy researc by Kim Zetter 🖾 🚦 March 17, 2011 | 6:40 pm | Categories: Breaches, Hacks and Cracks, RSA Conference



op security firm RSA Security revealed on Thursday that it's been the victim of an "extremely ophisticated" hack.

ly targeted an Iranian nuclear facility, is the half megabyte of code that the worm is s difficult as figuring them out in the first

ter is such a triumph. She got access to the out how to tell the most technically ot contain any bombshell revelations about the worm works and how we figured that



Malware Attacks

This message has been replied to or forwarded.

From: info@federalreserve.gov
To: ial@phishlabs.com

Cc: Subject:

Your Wire fund transfer

Lure Example

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

The Federal Reserve, the central bank of the United States, provides the nation with a safe, flexible, and stable monetary and financial system.

The Outgoing Wire transaction , recently sent from your bank account , was cancelled by an intermediary or beneficiary bank.

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Malware Attacks

Exploit Kits:

Collection of web pages, scripts, and control panel used to infect website visitors without requiring user interaction

Bomba Bleeding Life Siberia

Papka CRIMEPACK JustExploit

Open SourcePhoenixZopackMetaPackT-IframeriPack

mushroom Tornado EL Fiiesta
Robopak SEO Sploit Icepack
nuclear Zombie Mpack
Katrin Unique Webattack

Eleonore Fragus 1
Incognito Yes Exploit

Blackhole Liberty

Collectively, these packs exploits 74 browser and plug-in vulnerabilities!



^{*}http://contagiodump.blogspot.com/2010/06/overview-of-exploit-packs-update.html

Exploit Kit

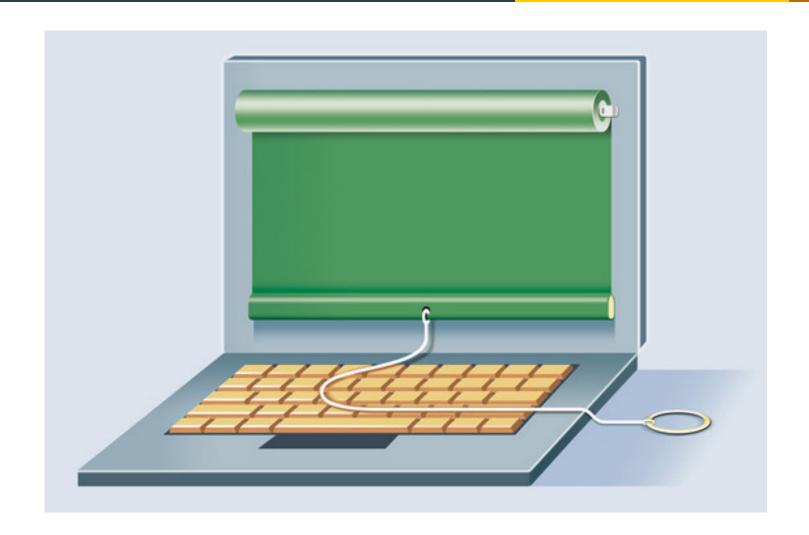
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Windows NT 4

What should I do?





Risk =

Impact of an Event

X

Probability of Event

Security = Countermeasures < Risk



Often, Perceived Security Risk != Security Reality:

- People exaggerate spectacular but rare risks and downplay common risks.
- People have trouble estimating risks for anything not exactly like their normal situation.
- Personified risks are perceived to be greater than anonymous risks.
- People underestimate risks they willingly take and overestimate risks in situations they can't control.
- Last, people overestimate risks that are being talked about and remain an object of public scrutiny

Source: Bruce Schneier, The Psychology of Security



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District juggling earthquake concerns, bond referendums, and weary parents

Earthquake! (Don't panic.) Panic!

by Greg Hambrick

An earthquake in the Charleston region is far from assured in the next five years — hell, some don't expect another quake for another century or more. But the risk, regardless of the odds, has led the staff at the Charleston County School District to call for four downtown schools to be temporarily shuttered.

A well-documented 1886 earthquake wrecked the peninsula, killing dozens. And the next one isn't a matter of if, but when. As far as peninsula schools are concerned, that may well be tomorrow, and the district isn't taking any chances.





Risk =

Impact of an Event

X
Probability of Event

X
Moral Outrage



 Your PC will become infected

- Keep all of your software up-to-date
 - Secunia PSI





- Your hard drive will crash
- Your laptop will be stolen or lost

- Back-up your computer
 - CrashPlan, Carbonite,
 Mozy





- You will get emails that try to defraud or infect you
- Never open emails you're not expecting.
- Use a Mac or dedicated PC for online banking





 Your online services will be hacked

- Never re-use the same password on multiple systems
- Always use long passwords or passphrases

WORST PASSWORDS OF 2012 password password #2 123456 #3 12345678 #4 abc123 #5 qwerty monkey #6 **≈1** #7 letmein #8 dragon #9 111111 legend: #10 baseball unchanged - up # down ##

LinkedIn Password Hashes Leaked Online Posted by Unknown Lamer on Wednesday June 06, 2012 @10:10AM from the at-least-they-weren't-plain-text dept.



Summary

- Cybersecurity incidents rarely as bad as the media would have you believe
- But the Internet is overwhelmingly out to get you
- Most end-user threats are social engineering based and not purely technical
- Try to avoid the 5 security psychology traps, unless outrage is a real risk
- Four effective tips will give you the best bang for the buck



Thank you!

Questions?

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