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# Cybercrime and its Future



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1. Introduction

2. Trends in Cybercrime

3. Recent Technological Developments

4. Conclusions



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# 1. Introduction

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KEYNOTES IN CRIMINOLOGY  
AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERIES

## CYBERCRIME

OXFORD  
UNIVERSITY PRESS

# Motives

# Opportunities

# Guardians

# Motives for cybercrime are hardly new:

**Greed**

**Lust**

**Power**

**Revenge**

**Curiosity**

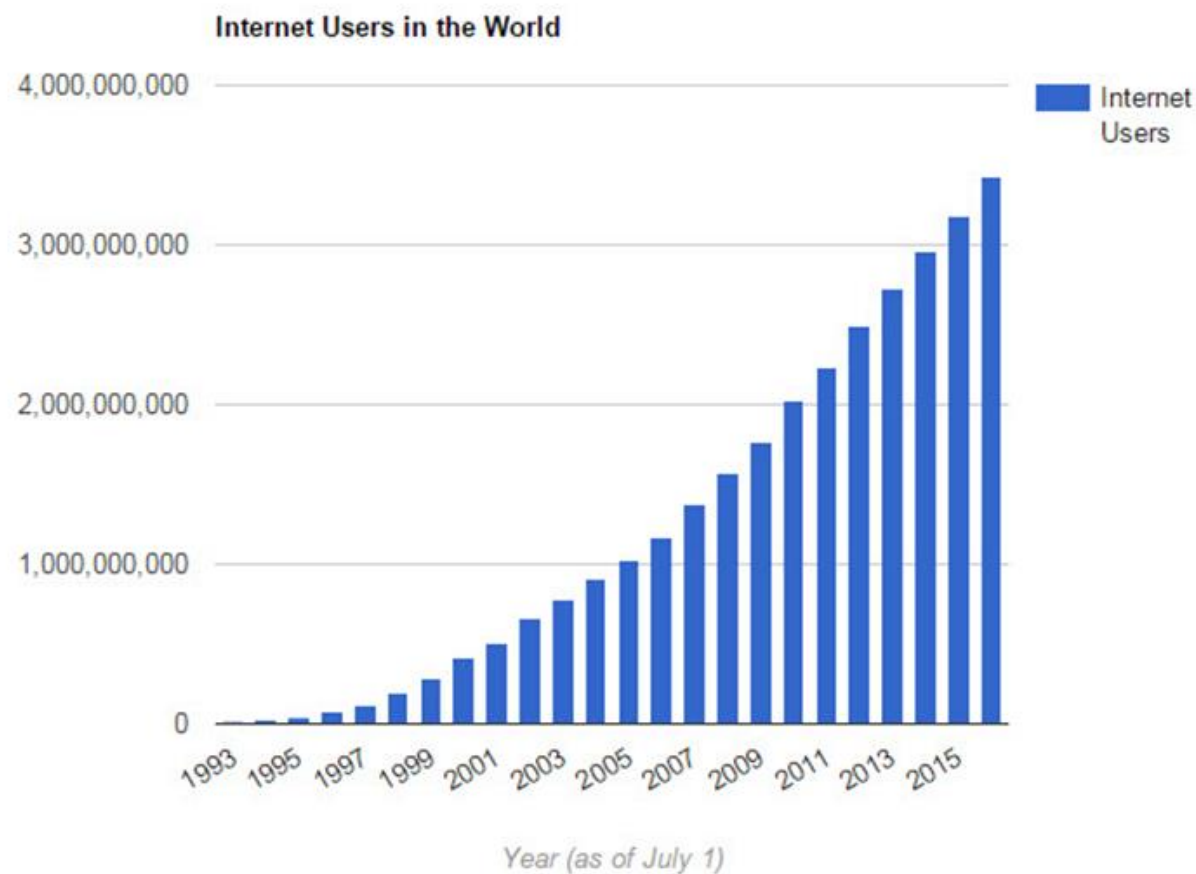
**Excitement**

**Rebellion**

**Intellectual Challenge**

**Self Defence**

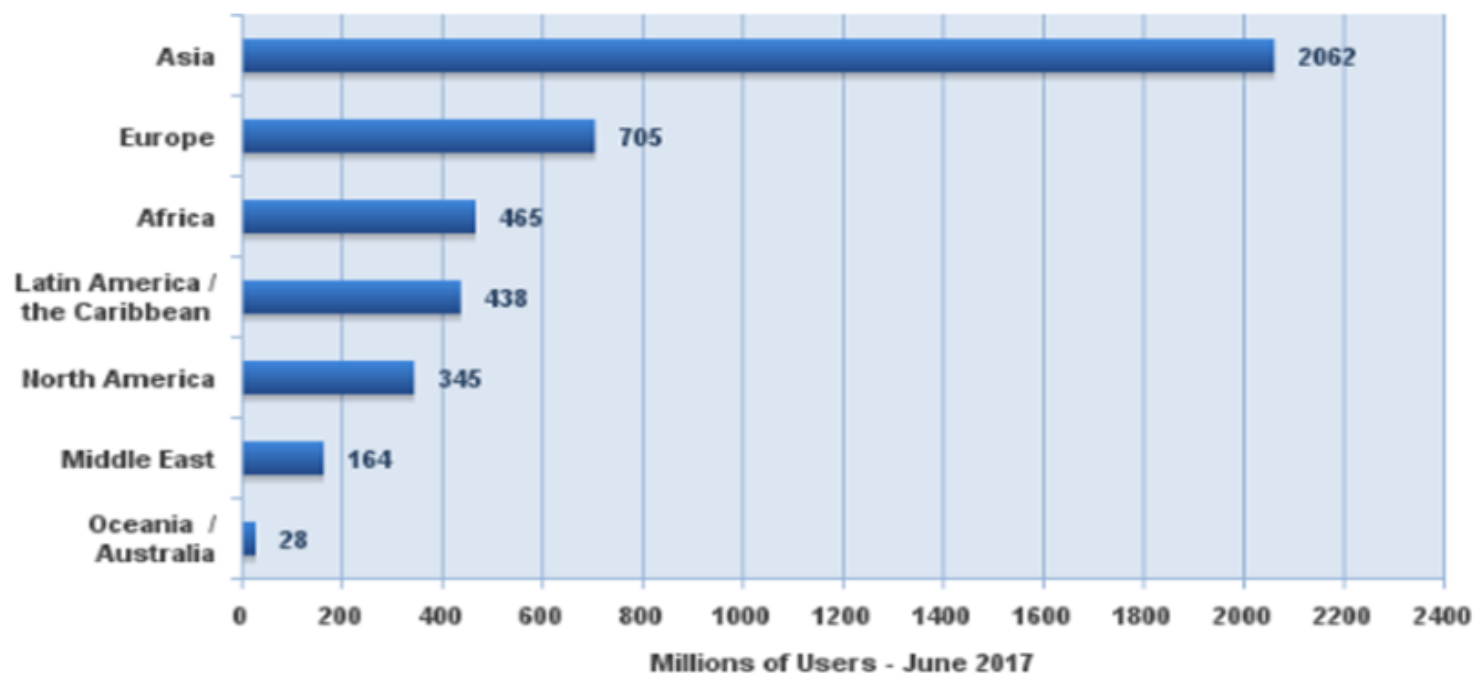
**Ideology**



Source: Internet Live Stats



## Internet Users in the World by Geographic Regions - June 30, 2018

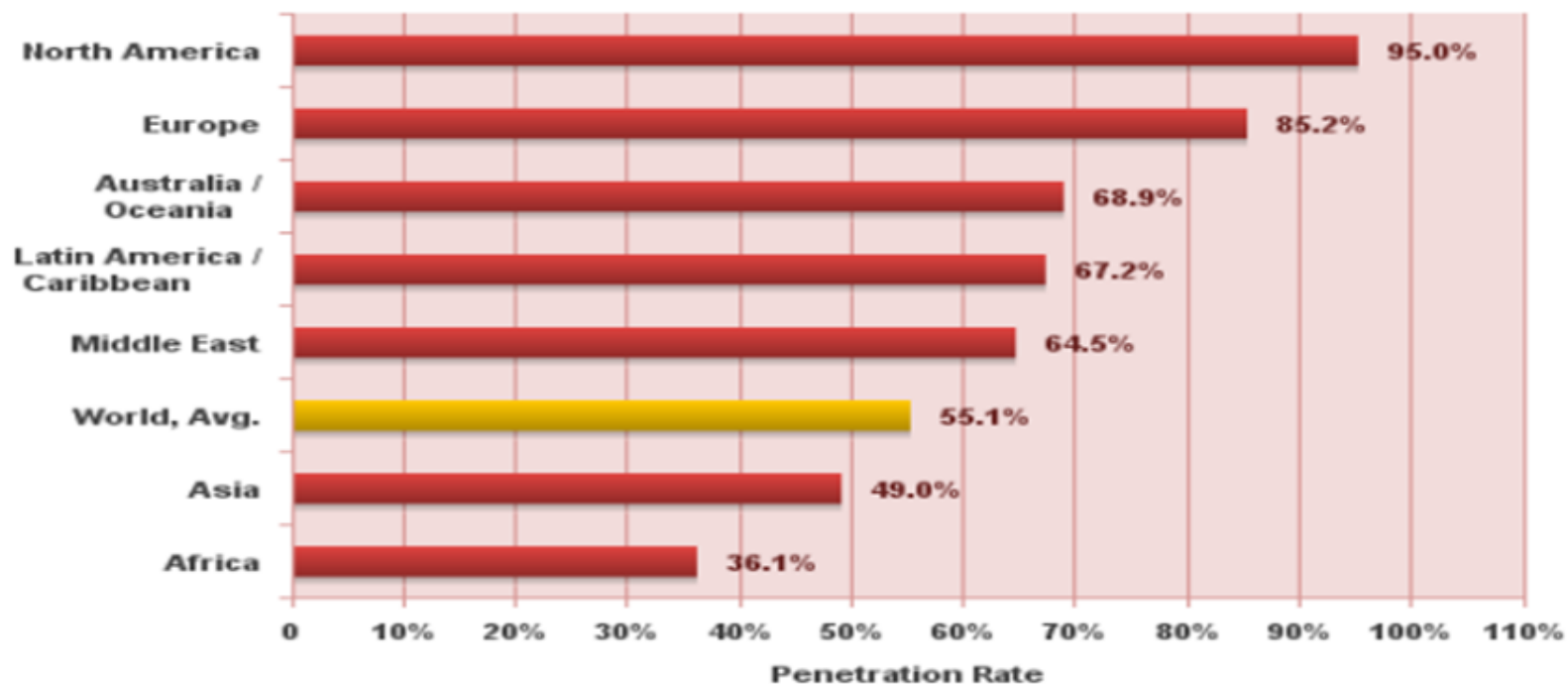


Source: Internet World Stats - [www.internetworldstats.com/stats.htm](http://www.internetworldstats.com/stats.htm)

Basis: 4,208,571,287 Internet users estimated in June 30, 2018

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## Internet World Penetration Rates by Geographic Regions - June 30, 2018



Source: Internet World Stats - [www.internetworldstats.com/stats.htm](http://www.internetworldstats.com/stats.htm)  
 Penetration Rates are based on a world population of 7,634,758,428  
 and 4,208,571,287 estimated Internet users in June 30, 2018.  
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# Human Guardianship

- Parents
- Teachers
- Systems Administrators
- Individual Users

# Technological Guardianship

- Filtering Software
- Anti-Virus Software
- Authentication Technologies
- Credit Card Algorithms



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# What is Cybercrime?

Unauthorised Access  
Interference with Lawful Use  
Prohibited Content  
Theft/Destruction of Data  
Damage to Systems

# Unauthorized access (Hacking)

## The 50 Most Used Passwords

1. 123456	11. 123123	21. mustang	31. 7777777	41. harley
2. password	12. baseball	22. 666666	32. f*cky*u	42. zxcvbnm
3. 12345678	13. abc123	23. qwertyuiop	33. qazwsx	43. asdfgh
4. qwerty	14. football	24. 123321	34. jordan	44. buster
5. 123456789	15. monkey	25. 1234...890	35. jennifer	45. andrew
6. 12345	16. letmein	26. p*s*y	36. 123qwe	46. batman
7. 1234	17. shadow	27. superman	37. 121212	47. soccer
8. 11111	18. master	28. 270	38. killer	48. tigger
9. 1234567	19. 696969	29. 654321	39. trustno1	49. charlie
10. dragon	20. michael	30. 1qaz2wsx	40. hunter	50. robert



# Theft of Information Services



# Identity Theft

# Information Piracy

# Counterfeiting

# Forgery









# Possession/Dissemination of Offensive Materials









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# Online Child Exploitation

# Stalking & Bullying





# Extortion

- 1. Communicate a threat**
- 2. Target computer systems**
- 3. Medium of blackmail**
- 4. Digital payment**
- 5. Intelligence about victims**

# Electronic Funds Transfer Fraud

2016 Theft of **US\$81,000,000**

Bangladeshi funds deposited  
in US Federal Reserve  
system

# Electronic Money Laundering



# Philippines

Bank secrecy laws-strong

Cash transaction reporting-weak

Casinos exempt !!



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# Advance Fee Fraud



*moving money for better®*

Dear Email Beneficiary,

We wish to inform you that you are one of the seven email beneficiaries approved to receive the sum of \$1,500,000.00 USD in the on-going UN Humanitarian aid / Poverty Alleviation Program ( UNPAP ) 2016.

The United Nation's Organisation has deposited your funds with us at the Western Union Payout Center in Malaysia ,and they have contracted us to take full responsibility in the transfer process of the funds to all seven beneficiaries. They have now ordered us to take full responsibility in the transfer process of your funds and thus commence the immediate remittance of your funds to you. Be strongly informed that because of our Western Union transfer policy, your funds will be paid to you via our Western Union Daily Transfer limit of \$7,600USD. This means that you will continuously receive a daily amount of \$7,600USD USD from us, and this amount can be collected from any of our numerous Western Union outlets in your current location.

To begin receiving your daily payment as stated above, we need you to provide us with; Your Full Name, Address, and Phone Number. Upon receipt of the requested details.

Your first transaction will be activated and we shall then proceed to provide you with the Money Transfer Control Number (MTCN) for the first installment, and we will continue to email you others after 24 hours of receiving each payment.

**For more information on your payment status: Call Tony Yung on our 24 hours phone helpline @ +601-02484297 and reply to this message via: wumtaccess09@my.com for inquiries on this message.**

Yours truly,  
Western Union Malaysia





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# Romance Fraud

**Gavin [kkariper@konya.edu.tr](mailto:kkariper@konya.edu.tr)**

**My name is Gavin. I'm 45 years old, from the US. I'm in Syria right now fighting IS. I want to get to know you better, if I may be so bold. I consider myself an easy-going man, and I am currently looking for a relationship in which I feel loved. Please tell me more about yourself, if you don't mind.**

# Sales and Investment Fraud

## Business Interest

William Leung [kchengc@cuhk.edu.hk](mailto:kchengc@cuhk.edu.hk)

I have a business for you worth 24.5m usd, reply  
([willieleu2@gmail.com](mailto:willieleu2@gmail.com)) for more details.

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This email has been checked for viruses by Avast antivirus  
software.

<https://www.avast.com/antivirus>

# Ransomware Fraud (Fraud+Extortion)





## NSA INTERNET SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM **PRISM** COMPUTER CRIME PROSECUTION SECTION



### ! YOUR COMPUTER HAS BEEN LOCKED! !

Your computer has been locked due to suspicion of illegal content downloading and distribution.

The illegal content (414 Mb of photo and video files) was automatically classified as child pornographic materials.

The downloading and distribution of illegal content, in whole or in part, violate following U.S. Federal Laws:

- 18 U.S.C. § 2251 Sexual exploitation of children (Production of child pornography)
- 18 U.S.C. § 2252 Certain activities relating to material involving the sexual exploitation of minors (Possession, distribution and receipt of child pornography)
- 18 U.S.C. § 2252A Certain activities relating to material constituting or containing child pornography

Any individual who violates, or attempts to violate, or conspires to violate mentioned laws shall be sentenced to a mandatory term of imprisonment from 6 months to 10 years and shall be fined up to \$250,000.

#### Collected technical data

Your IP address: [REDACTED]  
Your host name: [REDACTED]  
Source or intermediary sites: [REDACTED]  
Location: [REDACTED]

#### Illegal content found:



ALL SUSPICIOUS FILES FROM YOUR COMPUTER WERE TRANSMITTED TO A SPECIAL SERVER AND SHALL BE USED AS EVIDENCES. DON'T TRY TO CORRUPT ANY DATA OR UNBLOCK YOUR COMPUTER IN AN UNAUTHORIZED WAY.

Your case can be classified as occasional/unmotivated, according to 17 (U.S. Code) §512

Thus it may be closed without prosecution.  
Your computer will be unblocked automatically.

In order to resolve the situation in an above-mentioned way you should pay a fine of \$300



Exchange your cash for a MoneyPak voucher and use your voucher code in the form below:

Code:   
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

Status: Waiting for payment

Permanent lock on 09/28/2013 8:46 p.m. EST



Where can I buy MoneyPak





The Australian Federal Police is a progressive and multi-faceted law enforcement organisation taking a strong lead in the fight against 21st century crime.

## You've received a subpoena

You are invited to the law court by the judge because of crime commitment.

Case: #256101

Date: 01/03/2016

Please visit nearest police office or [view case notices](#).

**Down load case info**

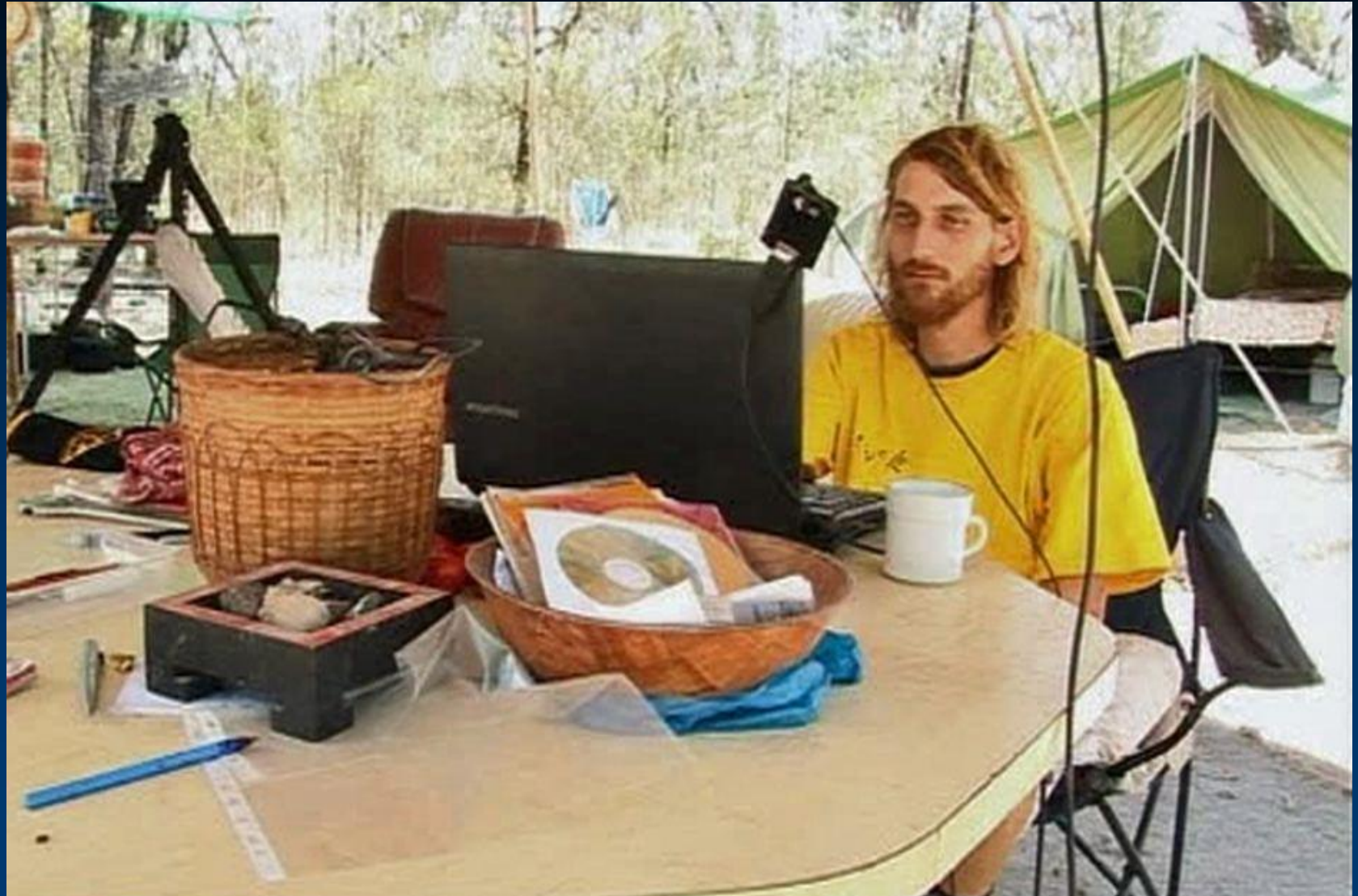
You must provide all the necessary information to the Court within 15 days, starting from the time at which this message was received. If the information is not provided, the court can take place without your participation.



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# Financial Hoaxes





# Illegal Interception or Disclosure of Information



# Communications in Furtherance of Criminal Conspiracies

# Electronic Vandalism & Terrorism

## Cyber Warfare



# What's New?

Greater diversity of activity within  
these generic crime types

Greater diversity of targets  
and attack vectors

## 2. Trends

# What's New?

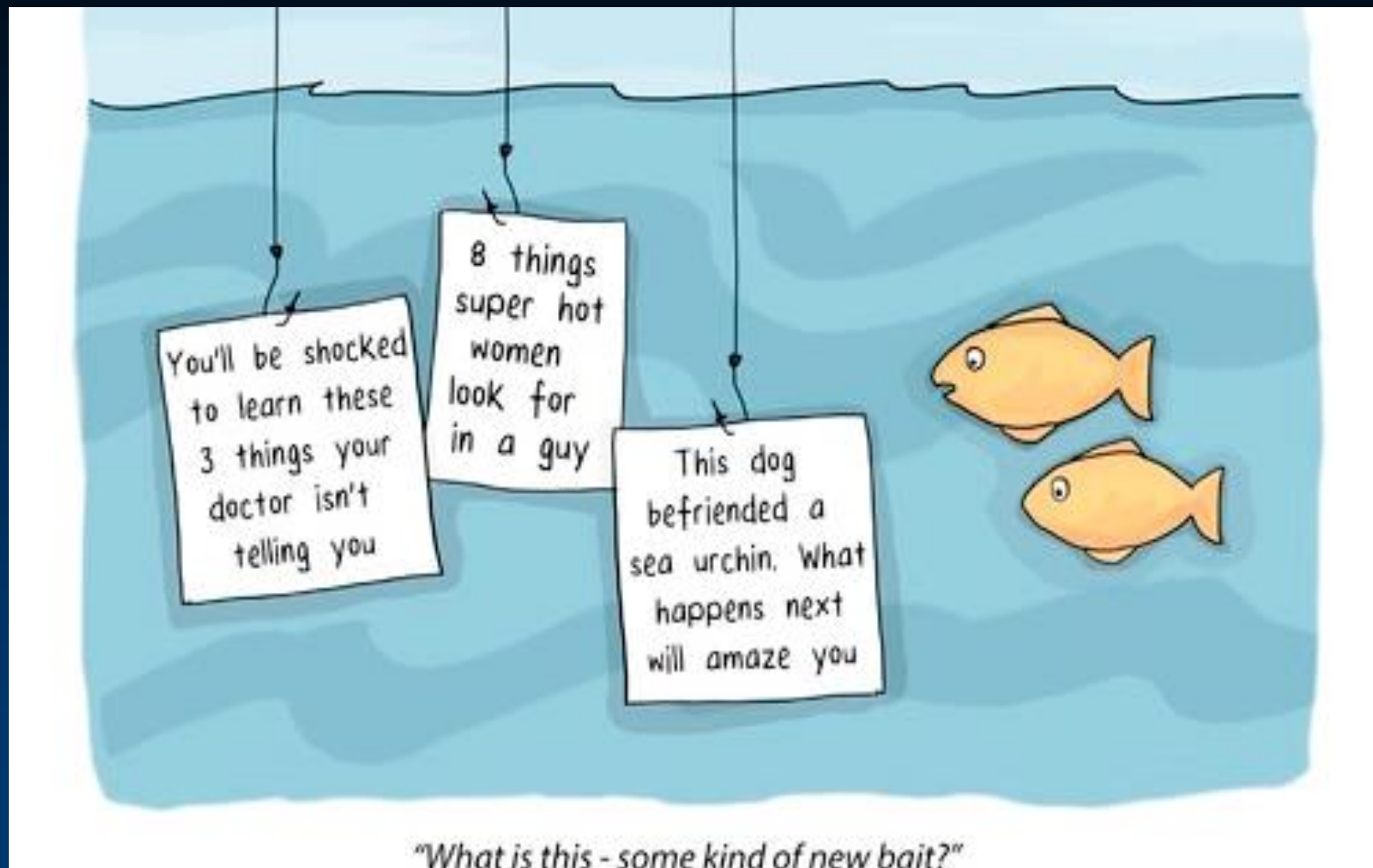
Sophisticated  
Commercialized  
Diversity of Organizational Form  
State and State-Sponsored



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# Sophistication:

# More skillful exploitation of trust



# More skillful exploitation of trust

## Bigger, Better Botnets

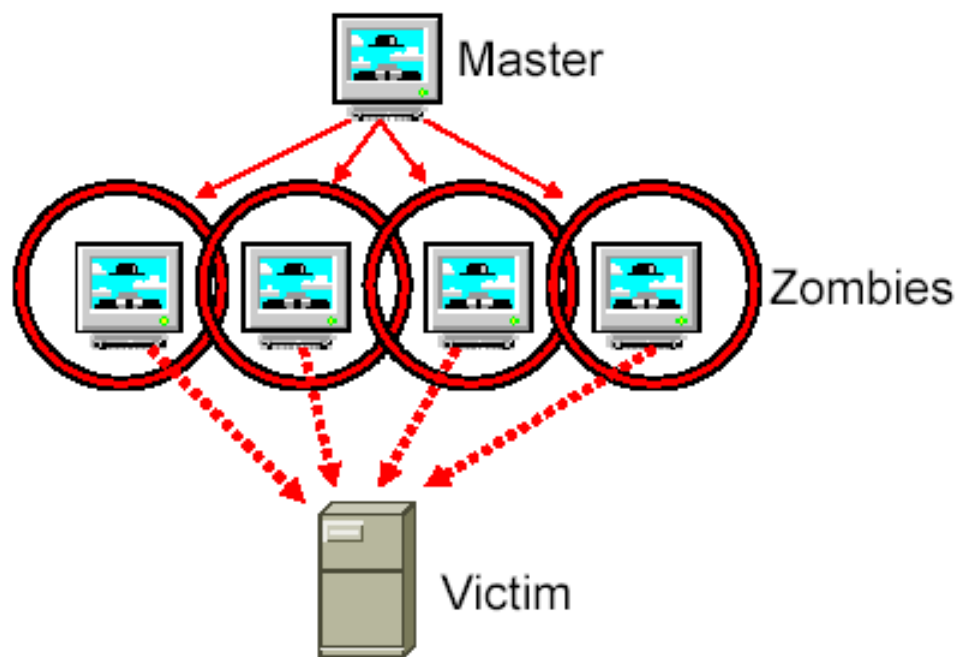


Figure 1-1: DDOS attack architecture



More skillful exploitation of trust

Bigger, Better Botnets

Greatly Improved Malware

More skillful exploitation of trust

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Crime on a Much Larger Scale

# Skillful use of digital technology by terrorist groups and by organized criminal groups

Islamic State (*Wired*, April 2016); Zetas

Recruitment  
Propaganda  
Fundraising  
Tactical Communications



**U.S. Central Command**  
@CENTCOM



Following

In the name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful,  
the CyberCaliphate continues its  
CyberJihad.



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“Los Zetas are deploying their own teams of computer experts to track those individuals involved in the online anti-cartel campaign...”  
(Stratfor 2011)



# Offensive countermeasures

Cyber-operations  
Psychological warfare







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# Commercialization:



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# Hackers for Hire

# Hackers for Hire Botnets for Rent

# Hackers for Hire Botnets for Rent Malware Bazaars

# DARK MARKET



**CYBERTHIEVES  
CYBERCRIME  
AND YOU**  
**MISHA GLENNY**  
**AUTHOR OF *McMAFIA***

Hackers for Hire  
Botnets for Rent  
Malware Bazaars  
DDoS Services

# Updates and User Support for Exploit kits



# Updates and User Support for Exploit Kits

## Markets for Undiscovered Flaws in Computer Code (Zero Day Exploits)

# Diversity of Organizational Structures:

# State and State-sponsored Cybercrime

# Offensive Cyber Operations State, or State-Sponsored

Espionage  
Sabotage  
Disruption

**Estonia/Ukraine/Georgia/USA (Russia)**  
**2007 2008 2015 2016**

**Stuxnet (USA + Israel) 2010**

**Saudi Aramco (Iran) 2012**

**Industrial/Economic Espionage (China) 2013**

**Sony Pictures (DPRK) 2014**

**Bangladesh Central Bank (DPRK) 2016**

**Wannacry (DPRK) 2016**

**North Korean Missile Tests (USA) 2017**

# The statue that sparked the first cyber war





# “Stuxnet”

Stunning complexity and sophistication

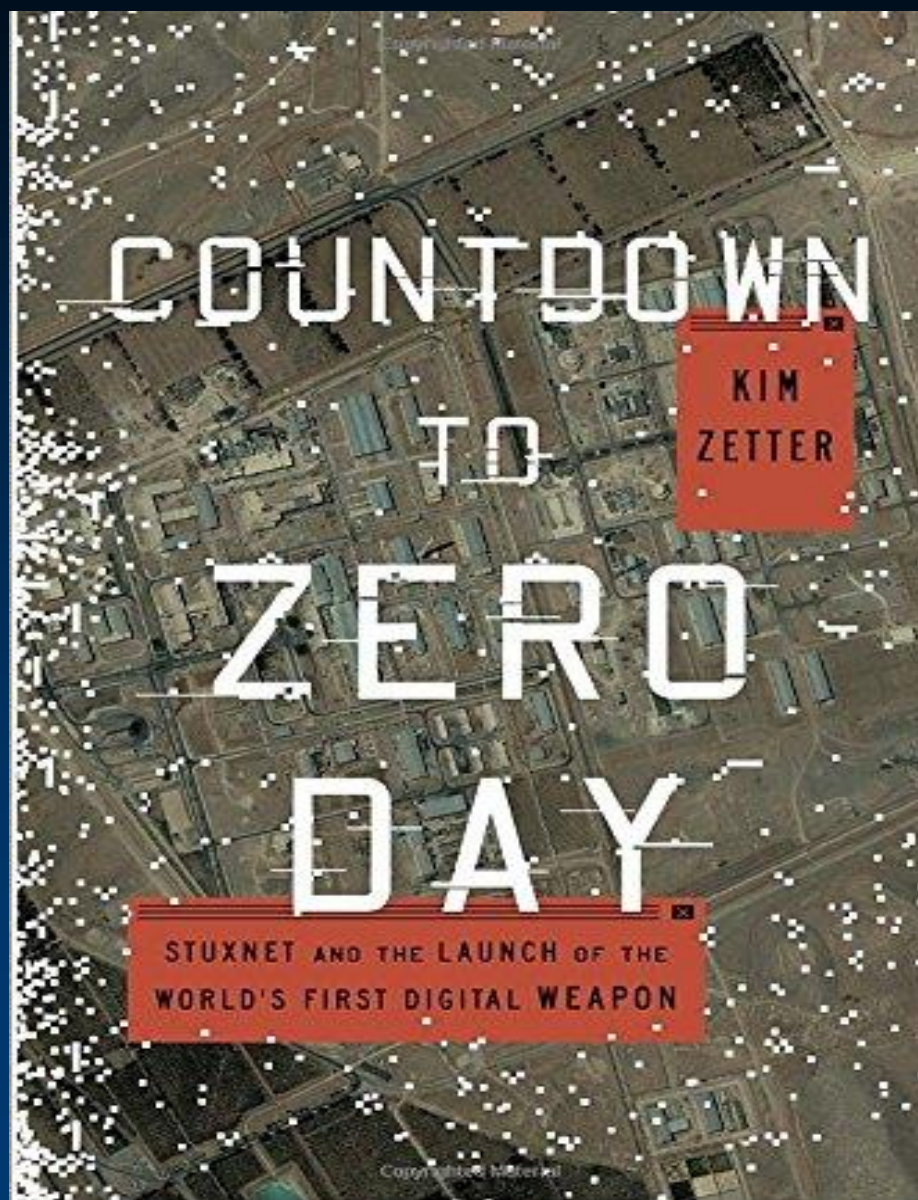
Using 4 “zero day” exploits

Commandeered industrial control system while  
hiding the fact

Disabled alarms while signalling that systems were  
operating normally.

A “game changer” in cyber security





# CONFRONT AND CONCEAL

OBAMA'S SECRET WARS AND  
SURPRISING USE OF AMERICAN POWER



DAVID E. SANGER

CHIEF WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT FOR THE NEW YORK TIMES

DETECTING MYSTERY AT THE PENTAGON

READ BY ROBERTSON DEAN • AN UNABRIDGED PRODUCTION







Video

Home of China PLA's Unit 61398



The Economist



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# PLA Unit 61398

## (APT 1)



## APT1

Exposing One of China's Cyber  
Espionage Units



















# State- “Sponsored”: Russian Hackers

1. Attack anything you like, as long as it is outside of Russia

2. If you encounter information that may be useful to the Russian State, please let us know.



3. When patriotic duty beckons,  
please heed the call.



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# Plausible Deniability

China

Estonia

Georgia

India

Iran

Saudi Arabia

South Korea

United States



# United States of America

vs

# Ahmed Fathi et al

[https://www.justice.gov/opa/file/  
834996/download](https://www.justice.gov/opa/file/834996/download)



State Ignorance

State Incapacity

“Blind Eye”

Tacit Encouragement

Active Sponsorship

Formal Collaboration

State Monopoly

# 4. Recent Technological Developments



Mobile Telephony  
Wireless Internet  
Cloud Computing  
Voice-over Internet Protocol  
Social Media

Further into the future:

“The Internet of Things”

*Interconnectivity*

50 Billion interconnected devices  
worldwide by 2020

# Remote car hijacking

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MK0SrxBC1xs>





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# Vulnerability of Weapons Systems

# US Government Accountability Office

## **WEAPON SYSTEMS CYBERSECURITY:**

### **DOD Just Beginning to Grapple with Scale of Vulnerabilities**

GAO-19-128: Published: Oct 9, 2018.  
Publicly Released: Oct 9, 2018.

<https://www.gao.gov/products/GAO-19-128>

# “Big Data”

## a tool for criminals



Further into the future:

“The Internet of Things”

Brain-machine Technology

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## 'Matador' With a Radio Stops Wired Bull

### Modified Behavior in Animals Subject of Brain Study

By JOHN A. OSMUNDSEN

Afternoon sunlight poured over the high wooden barriers into the ring as the brave bull bore down on the unarmed "matador" — a scientist who had never faced a fighting bull.

But the charging animal's horns never reached the man behind the heavy red cape. Moments before that could happen, Dr. José M. R. Delgado, the scientist, pressed a button on a small radio transmitter in his hand, and the bull braked to a halt.

Then, he pressed another button on the transmitter and the bull obediently turned to the right and trotted away.

The bull was obeying commands from his brain that had been called forth by electrical stimulation—by the radio signals—of certain regions in which fine wire electrodes had been painlessly implanted the day before.

The experiment, conducted last year in Cordova, Spain, by Dr. Delgado of Yale University's School of Medicine, was probably the most spectacular demonstration ever performed of the deliberate modification of animal behavior through external control of the brain.

Dr. Delgado was trying to find out what makes brave bulls brave — just as other of his experiments have aimed at finding the biological basis for emotions, personality and behavior in man and other animals through electrical stimulation of their brains.

He has been working in this field for more than 15 years. Techniques that he and other scientists have recently developed have been refined to the point where, he believes, "a turning point has been reached in the study of the mind."

"I do believe," he said in a recent lecture, "that an understanding of the biological bases of social and antisocial behavior and of mental activities, which for the first time in history can now be explored in a conscious brain, may be of decisive importance in the search for intelligent solutions to some of our present anxieties, frustrations and conflicts."

Dr. Delgado said in an interview recently that he was particularly concerned with what he called the "gap between our understanding of the atom and



Dr. José M. R. Delgado of Yale University's School of Medicine facing a charging bull



Bull, halted in mid-charge by command from Dr. Delgado's transmitter, raises dust cloud

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Further into the future:

“The Internet of Things”

Brain-machine Technology

Brain-to-Brain Technology



# 5. Conclusions





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# Crime Follows Opportunity

Every New Technology  
Every New Application

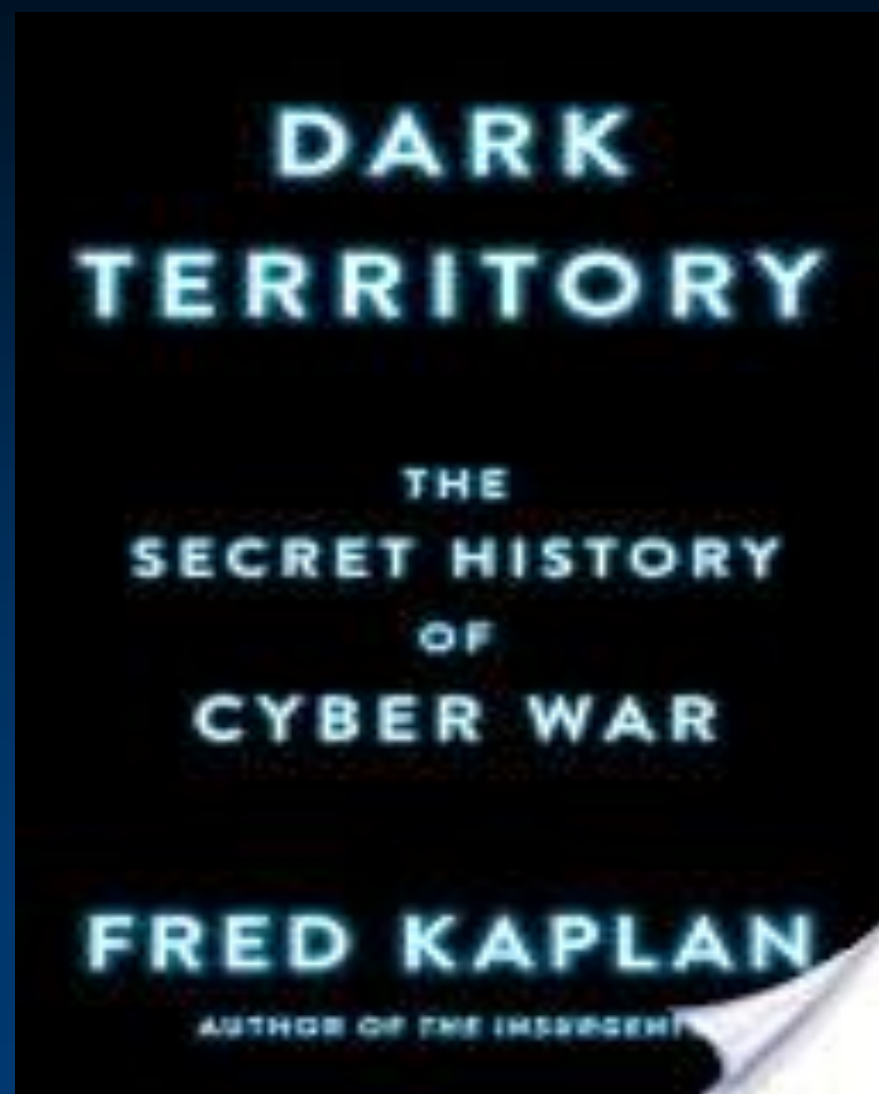
is vulnerable to criminal  
exploitation

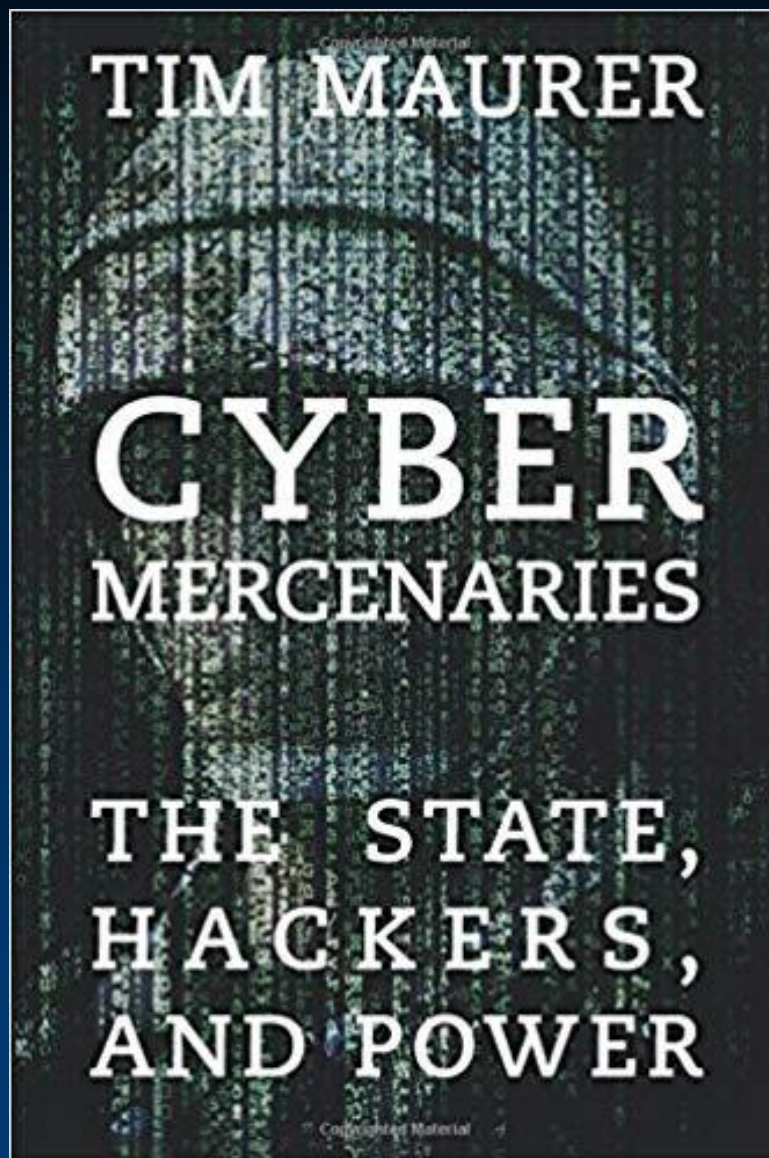
It is theoretically possible for someone with just a laptop to:

- Commandeer an aircraft
- Put a virus into flight control computers
- Jeopardize the safety of the flight by taking control of computers
- Take over the warning systems or even navigation systems

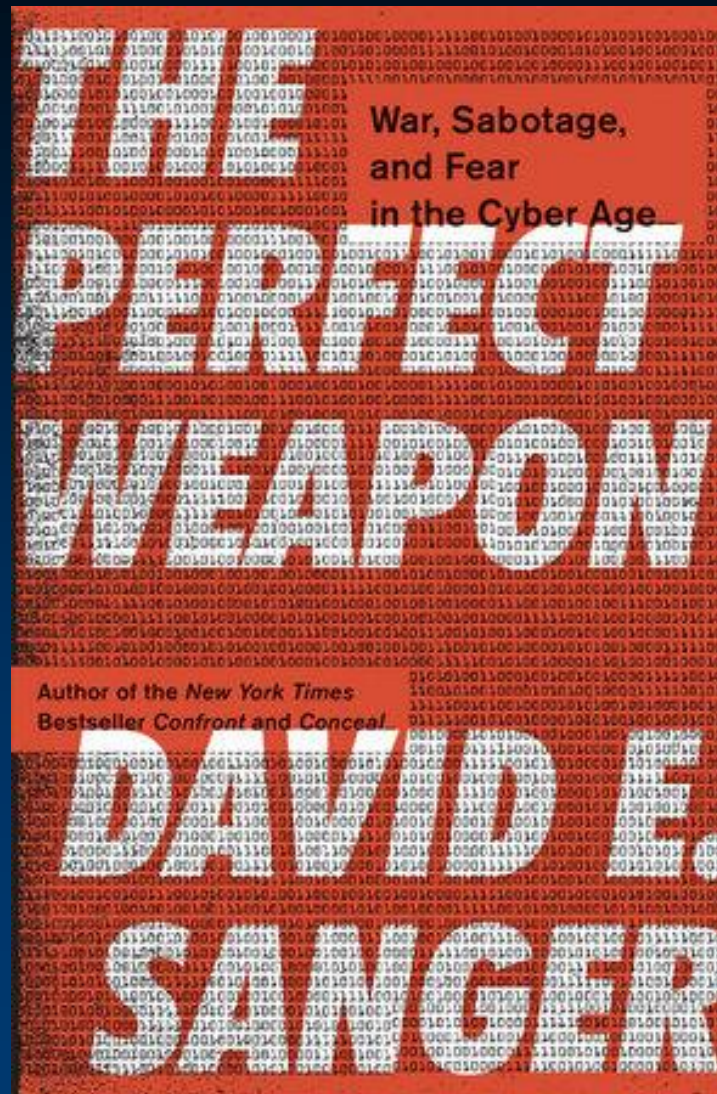
US Government Accountability Office 2015













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# Solutions:



# How best to achieve security and prosperity in Cyberspace?



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# Security Consciousness



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# Security Consciousness Resources

# **Security Consciousness Resources International Co-operation**

# **Security Consciousness Resources International Co-operation Substantive Criminal law**

# **Security Consciousness Resources International Co-operation Substantive Criminal law Laws of Criminal Procedure and Evidence**

# Budapest Convention

[https://www.coe.int/en/web/cybercrime/  
the-budapest-convention](https://www.coe.int/en/web/cybercrime/the-budapest-convention)

# Successful models of Co-operation



# China-Taiwan Fraud Investigation (2012)

# **Silk Road 2.0 Takedown (2014)**

Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Finland, France, Germany,  
Hungary, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg,  
Netherlands, Romania, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland,  
United Kingdom, United States

# Pluralistic Cybersecurity

Governments

Private Industry

Civil Society

(Better communication within and  
between these sectors)

## More Secure Software

More training and education    police;  
   prosecutors; judges; citizens

## More international cooperation

- Harmonization of laws  
   (substantive criminal law;  
   criminal procedure laws)
- Cross-border investigations
- Bridging the digital divide

Santayana (1863-1952):

Those who forget the past are  
condemned to repeat it.

Those who fail to anticipate the future are in for a rude shock when it arrives.



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# Thank You !



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