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# Who Are We?

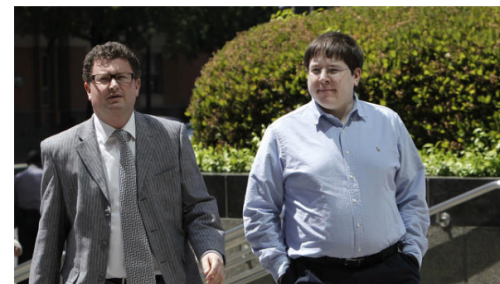
- Hackers (but in the “good way”)
  - Study information security by understanding “defense in depth”
  - Study attack methods
  - Develop countermeasures and mitigate
- Adversarial training
  - Represent UCR in cybersecurity competitions: WRCCDC, National Cyber League, UCSB iCTF, other CTF competitions.
- Self study, teach each other
  - Many of us have “specialties”: Windows systems, Linux systems, appliances (firewalls, routers, switches), reverse engineering, penetration testing, etc.

# Cybersecurity is a Dangerous Game

- There are not a lot of “legal contexts” to practice information security (especially attack methodologies).
- Competitions provide a safe space to develop skills.
  - (You’re likely going to be terrible at this at first.)
- **Strict adherence to professional ethics.**
- Do not try this at home.
  - There are lots of “pranksters” in jail.

**M**atthew Keys was sentenced to two years in prison on Wednesday after being convicted of conspiring with the hacking group Anonymous to break into the Los Angeles Times' website and alter a story.

## Matthew Keys sentenced to prison in L.A. Times hacking case



In this April 23, 2013, file photo, Matthew Keys, right, walks to the federal courthouse in Sacramento for his arraignment with his attorney Jason Leiderman. (Rich Pedroncelli / Associated Press)





# Cybersecurity is a Hot Topic

There is a cybersecurity jobs shortage.

You **do not need** to be a computer scientist, engineer, or physicist to get into cyber.

Many do so with some certifications:  
Cisco certifications, CISSP, CompTIA certifications, etc.

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## One Million Cybersecurity Job Openings In 2016

**Steve Morgan**, CONTRIBUTOR  
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More than **209,000 cybersecurity jobs** in the U.S. are unfilled, and postings are up 74% over the past five years, according to a 2015 analysis of numbers from the Bureau of Labor Statistics by Peninsula Press, a project of the Stanford University Journalism Program.

A [report](#) from Cisco puts the global figure at one million cybersecurity job openings. Demand is expected to rise to 6 million globally by 2019, with a projected shortfall of 1.5 million, says Michael Brown, CEO at Symantec, the world's largest security software vendor.

***How do I learn "hacking?"***

You Google it. (This sounds like a joke, but it's true.)

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## Inside the hacker underworld of ISIS

HACKERS

## Los Angeles college

Democratic House Candidates Were



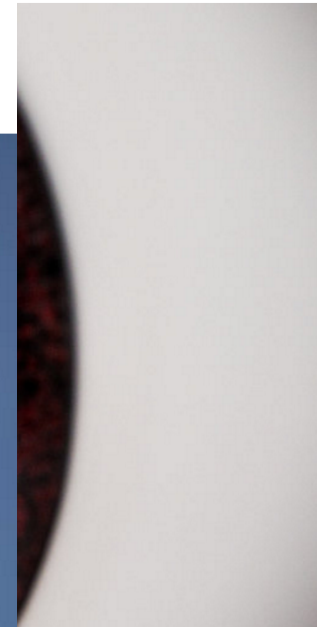
## Hacker activated all Dallas emergency sirens with a radio signal

by Jacob Kastrenakes | Apr 12, 2017, 5:34pm EDT

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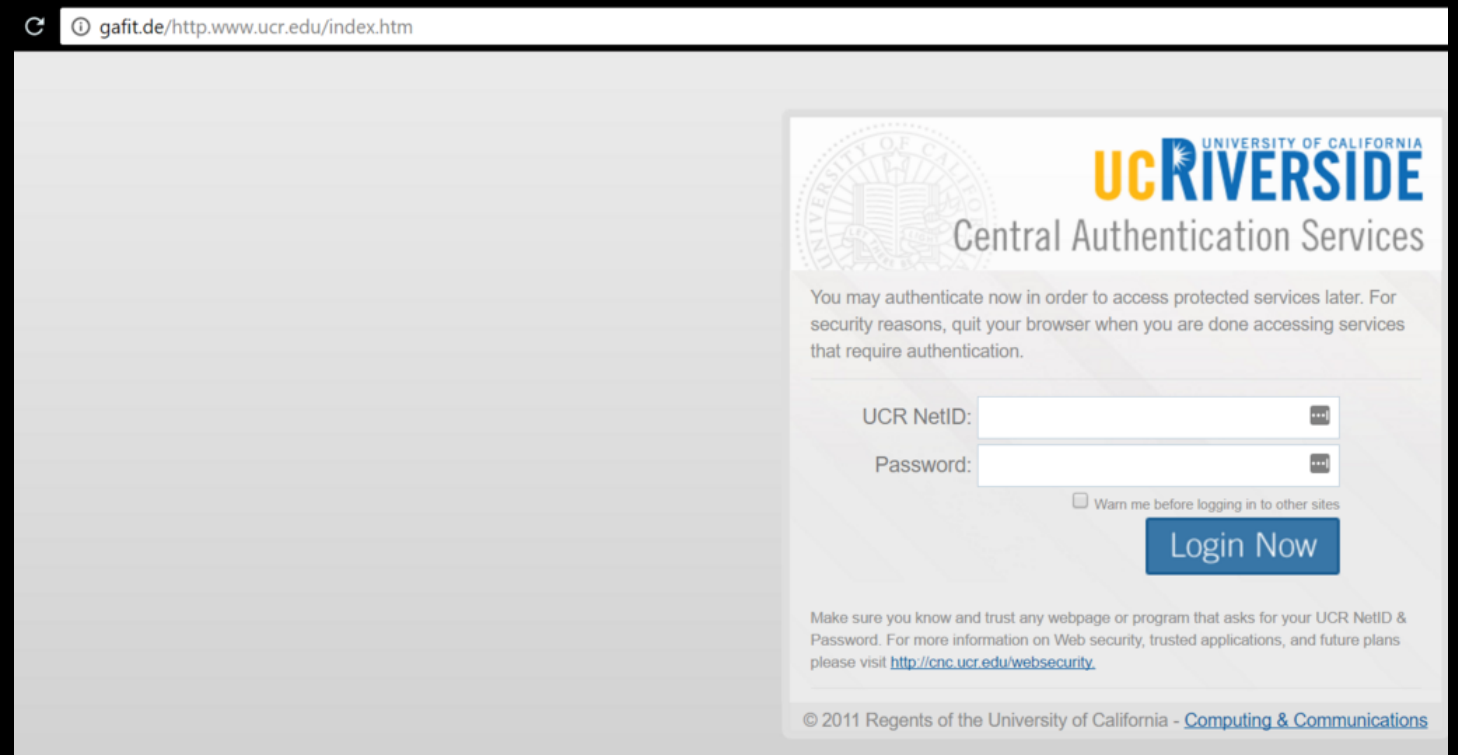
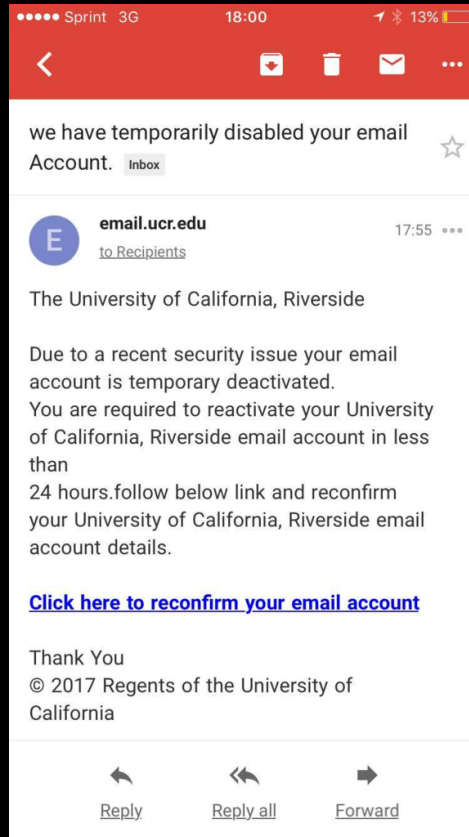
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# Types of Threats

- Two principle attack types that concern you.
- **Social attacks (Social engineering)**
  - Phishing
  - Vishing
  - Hacking **you**, the user.
- **Technical attacks**
  - **Most often victim-initiated**
    - Using pirated software, out of date browsers, opening email attachments, etc.
    - Some “malware” (malicious software) may attempt to route your connection through a third party proxy server, allowing an attacker to capture your web traffic.
  - Sometimes caused by misconfiguration
    - Failing to update software (note: pirated software is rarely updated)
    - Bad settings at the network level
      - This is your sysadmin’s problem.
  - Exploits targeting insecure WiFi access points, lack of encryption.

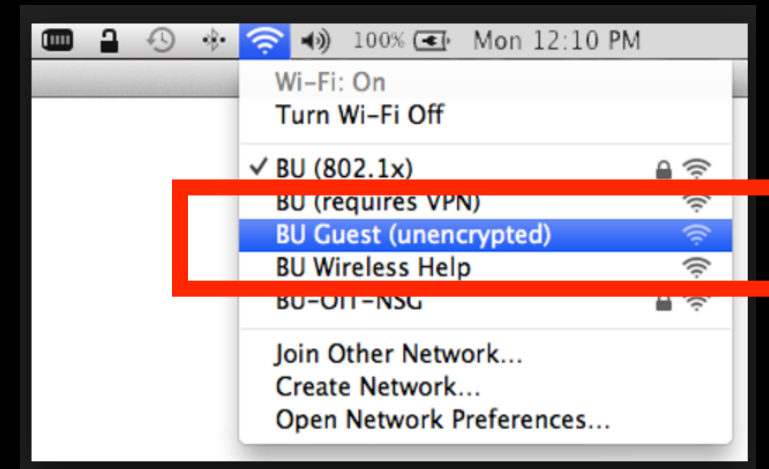
# Social Engineering

- Phishing and Vishing

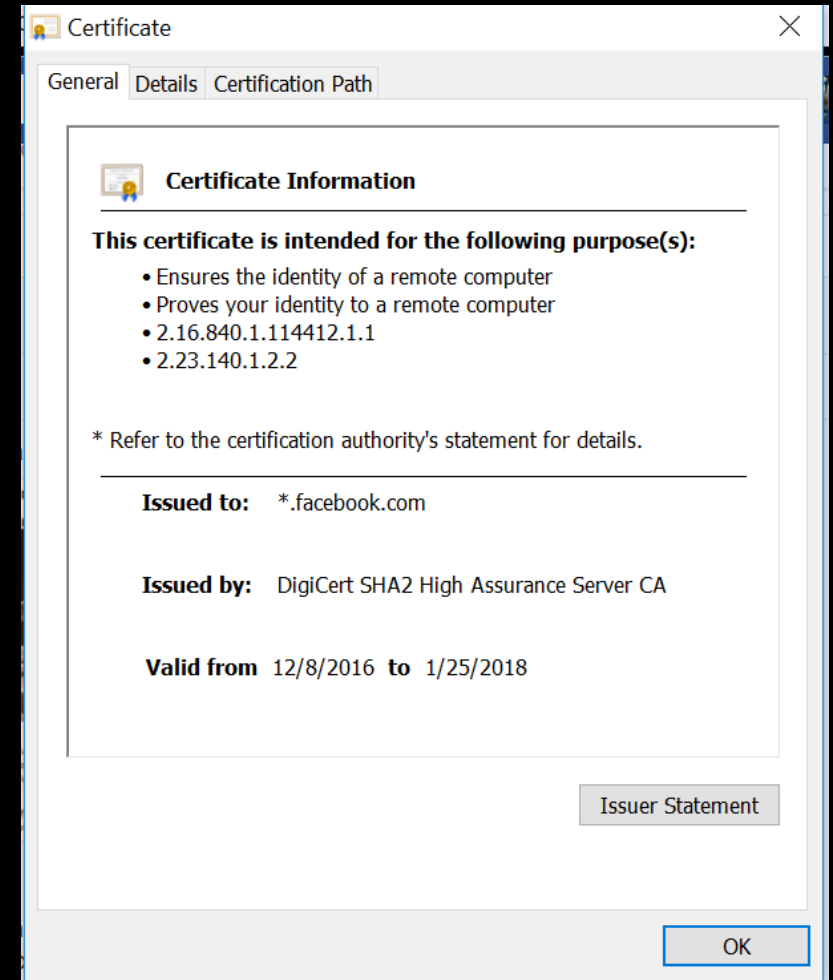
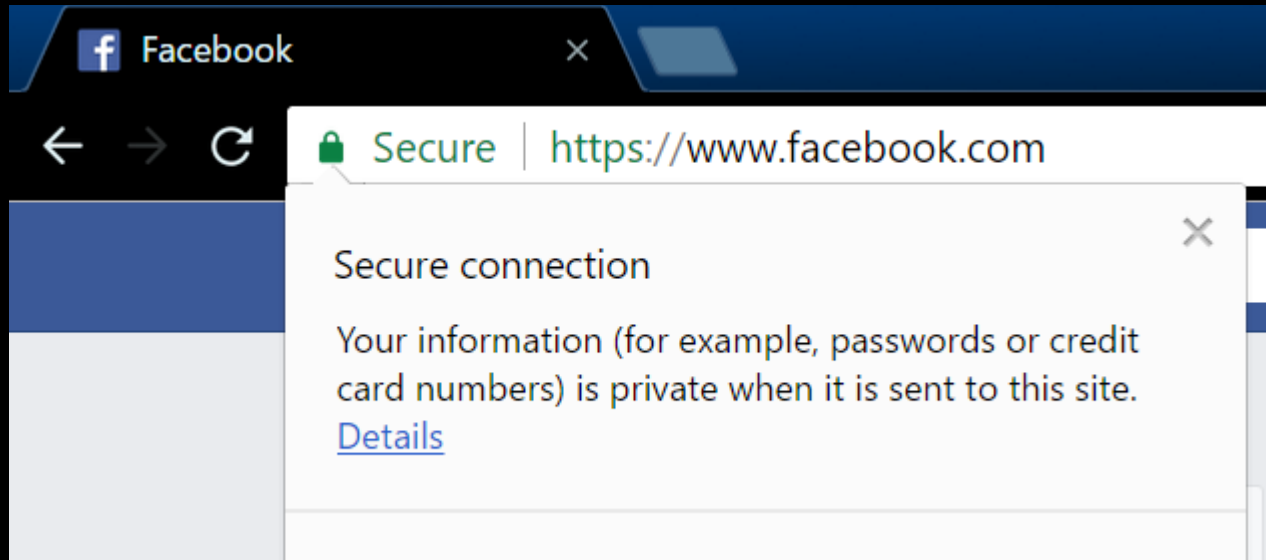


# Technical attacks

- Technical attacks are usually victim initiated!
  - You are tricked into downloading malicious software.
  - You used pirated software or files that contain malicious software as a component.
- Be careful using public WiFi
  - Some access points are **unencrypted**.
  - Evil Twin attacks
- Use only trusted, encrypted connections for your most private transactions.
  - Banking, etc.



# Technical attacks





# Technical attacks

The screenshot shows a Wireshark capture of network traffic. The main pane displays a list of packets with columns for No., Time, Source, Destination, Protocol, and Info. Packet 384 is highlighted, showing a DNS Standard query response for www.cnn.com. The details pane below shows the structure of the DNS response, including the request ID, flags, questions, answer RRs, and queries. The queries section shows a query for www.cnn.com type A, class IN. The answers section shows the response: www.cnn.com type A, class IN, address 64.236.91.21. The packet bytes pane at the bottom shows the raw data in hexadecimal and ASCII.

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Info
366	11.767290	192.168.0.31	192.168.0.28	SNMP	get-response SNMPv2-SMI::enterprises.11.2.3.9.4.2.1.4.1.5.7.1
367	11.768865	192.168.0.28	192.168.0.31	SNMP	get-request SNMPv2-SMI::enterprises.11.2.3.9.4.2.1.4.1.5.8.1
369	11.775952	192.168.0.31	192.168.0.28	SNMP	get-response SNMPv2-SMI::enterprises.11.2.3.9.4.2.1.4.1.5.8.1
381	12.286091	192.168.0.28	192.168.0.1	DNS	Standard query A www.cnn.com
384	12.311862	192.168.0.1	192.168.0.28	DNS	Standard query response A 64.236.91.21 A 64.236.91.23 A 64.236.91.24
385	12.312727	192.168.0.28	64.236.91.21	TCP	56606 > http [SYN] Seq=0 win=8192 Len=0 MSS=1460 WS=2
386	12.361495	64.236.91.21	192.168.0.28	TCP	http > 56606 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 win=8192 Len=0 MSS=1460
387	12.361583	192.168.0.28	64.236.91.21	TCP	56606 > http [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 win=17520 Len=0
388	12.361805	192.168.0.28	64.236.91.21	HTTP	GET / HTTP/1.1
389	12.413166	64.236.91.21	192.168.0.28	TCP	http > 56606 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=845 win=6960 Len=0
390	12.413611	64.236.91.21	192.168.0.28	TCP	[TCP segment of a reassembled PDU]
391	12.414386	64.236.91.21	192.168.0.28	TCP	[TCP segment of a reassembled PDU]

Frame 384 (167 bytes on wire, 167 bytes captured)  
Ethernet II, Src: Sparklan\_04:d0:9e (00:0e:8e:04:d0:9e), Dst: HonHaiPr\_26:66:a2 (00:1c:26:26:66:a2)  
Internet Protocol, Src: 192.168.0.1 (192.168.0.1), Dst: 192.168.0.28 (192.168.0.28)  
User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: domain (53), Dst Port: 62872 (62872)  
Domain Name System (response)  
[Request In: 381]  
[Time: 0.025771000 seconds]  
Transaction ID: 0xc1f  
Flags: 0x8180 (standard query response, No error)  
Questions: 1  
Answer RRs: 6  
Authority RRs: 0  
Additional RRs: 0  
Queries  
www.cnn.com: type A, class IN  
Name: www.cnn.com  
Type: A (Host address)  
Class: IN (0x0001)  
Answers  
www.cnn.com: type A, class IN, addr 64.236.91.21

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0020 00 1c 00 35 f5 98 00 85 98 5a cf 1f 81 80 00 01  ...5...Z....
0030 00 06 00 00 00 00 03 77 77 77 03 63 6e 6e 03 63  ....w ww.cnn.c
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0050 b7 00 04 40 ec 5b 15 c0 0c 00 01 00 01 00 00 00  ...@.[.....
0060 b7 00 04 40 ec 5b 17 c0 0c 00 01 00 01 00 00 00  ...@.[.....
0070 b7 00 04 40 ec 10 14 c0 0c 00 01 00 01 00 00 00  ...@.....
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Hackers can “sniff” (intercept and observe) network traffic sent over unsecure connections, such as the local Starbucks free wifi.

Your neighbor can do something similar if you “steal” his or her wifi.

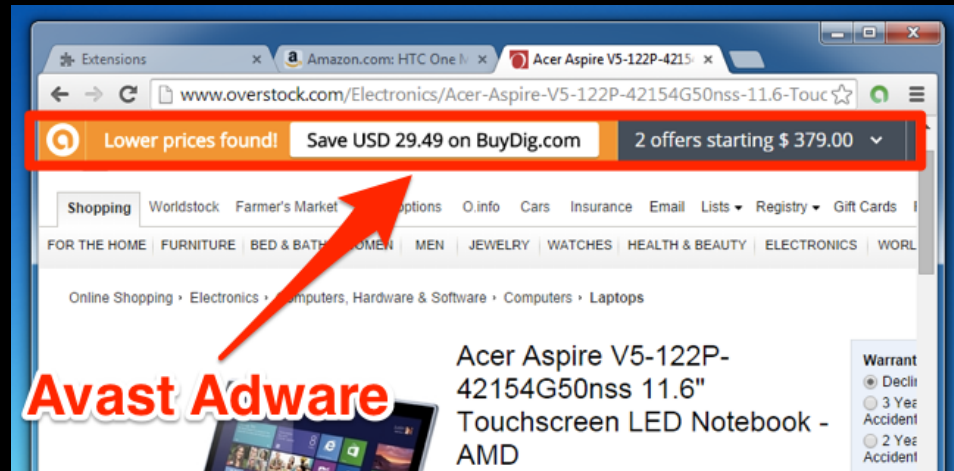
# Best Practices

- Don't provide login information. To **anyone**.
  - If they have a legitimate reason to access information in an account you control, then that organization will give them the access.
  - Remember: Security Questions, key numbers (like SID)
- Use an encrypted connection (https) wherever possible.
  - If https is not working for you, then consider the possibility that you've been infected by malware.
- Don't download software from untrusted sources.
  - Piracy, email attachments, etc.
- Keep software up-to-date.
  - Exploits target out of date software.



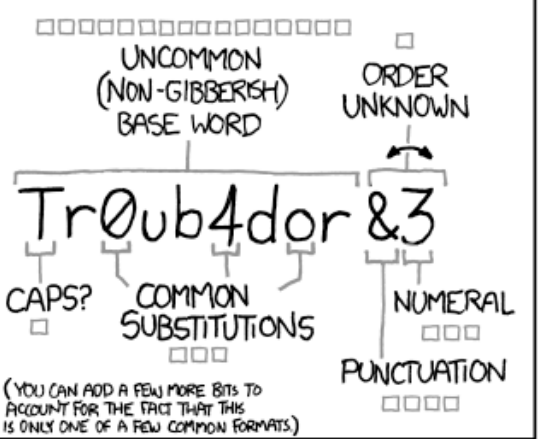

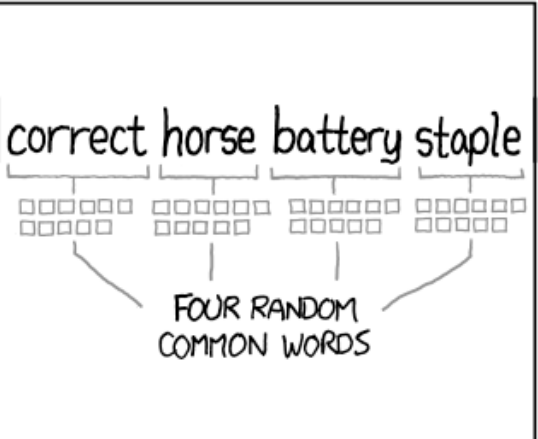
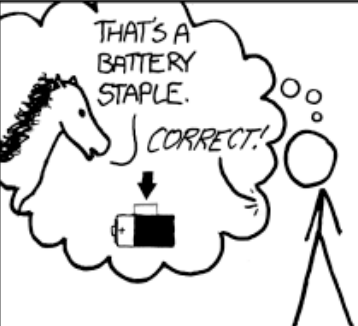
# Best Practices

- Watch out for malware
  - Computer behaves strangely.
    - Weird proxies redirecting you to sites other than the one you typed in.
    - Pop up ads.
    - Unusual ads integrated into web pages that weren't there before (and aren't on other computers)



# Best Practices

- Use a Strong Password
  - Use common sense here.
  - LastPass and 1Password

 <p>UNCOMMON (NON-GIBBERISH) BASE WORD</p> <p>ORDER UNKNOWN</p> <p>Tr0ub4dor &amp;3</p> <p>CAPS? COMMON SUBSTITUTIONS NUMERAL PUNCTUATION</p> <p>(YOU CAN ADD A FEW MORE BITS TO ACCOUNT FOR THE FACT THAT THIS IS ONLY ONE OF A FEW COMMON FORMATS.)</p>	<p>~28 BITS OF ENTROPY</p> <p><math>2^{28} = 3 \text{ DAYS AT } 1000 \text{ GUESSES/SEC}</math></p> <p>(PLAUSIBLE ATTACK ON A WEAK REMOTE WEB SERVICE. YES, CRACKING A STOLEN HASH IS FASTER, BUT IT'S NOT WHAT THE AVERAGE USER SHOULD WORRY ABOUT.)</p> <p>DIFFICULTY TO GUESS: <b>EASY</b></p>	<p>WAS IT TROMBONE? NO, TROUBADOR. AND ONE OF THE 0s WAS A ZERO?</p> <p>AND THERE WAS SOME SYMBOL...</p>  <p>DIFFICULTY TO REMEMBER: <b>HARD</b></p>
 <p>correct horse battery staple</p> <p>FOUR RANDOM COMMON WORDS</p>	<p>~44 BITS OF ENTROPY</p> <p><math>2^{44} = 550 \text{ YEARS AT } 1000 \text{ GUESSES/SEC}</math></p> <p>DIFFICULTY TO GUESS: <b>HARD</b></p>	<p>THAT'S A BATTERY STAPLE.</p>  <p>CORRECT!</p> <p>DIFFICULTY TO REMEMBER: YOU'VE ALREADY MEMORIZED IT</p>

THROUGH 20 YEARS OF EFFORT, WE'VE SUCCESSFULLY TRAINED EVERYONE TO USE PASSWORDS THAT ARE HARD FOR HUMANS TO REMEMBER, BUT EASY FOR COMPUTERS TO GUESS.

# Conclusion

- Hackers are scary, but remember that most attacks are victim initiated.
  - Black belts and mixed martial artists exist, but you're normally not worried about meeting one in a parking lot.
- Have a sensible threat model.
- It's impossible to stop a determined, persistent threat, but basic best practices make you harder (and therefore less worthwhile) to attack.



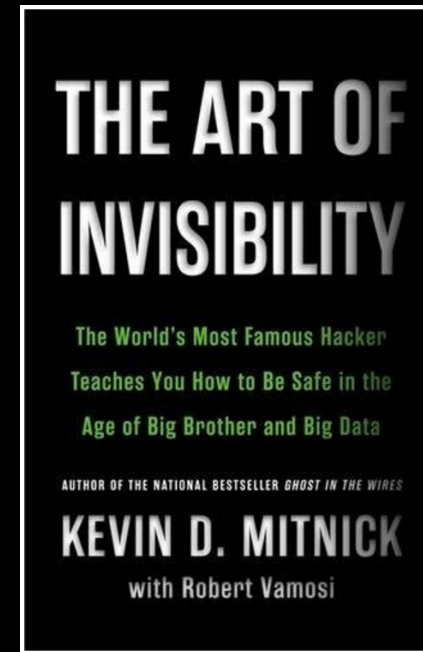
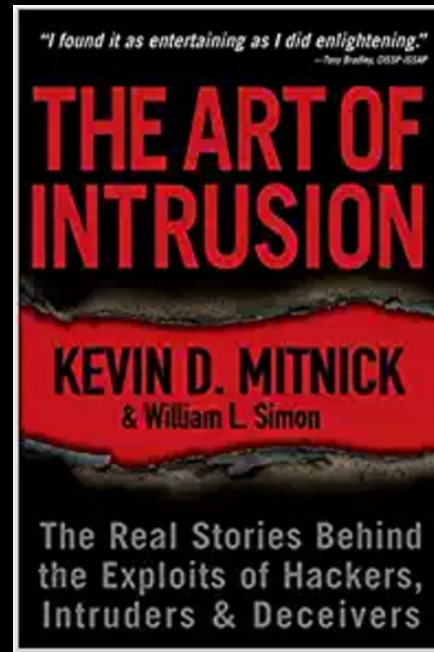
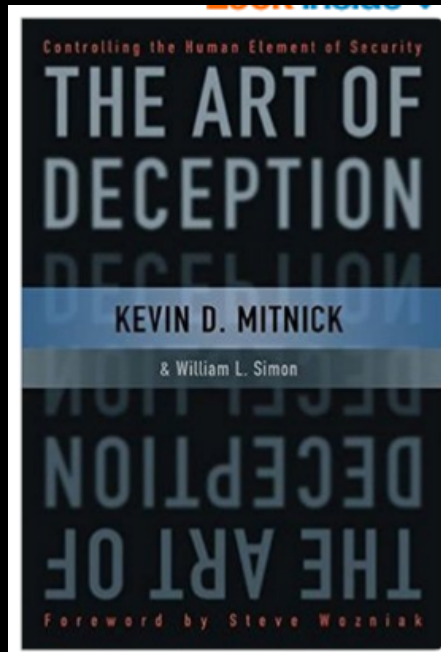
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