

From BOTNETS to HEART ATTACKS: UNSAFE Software is a DANGER to us

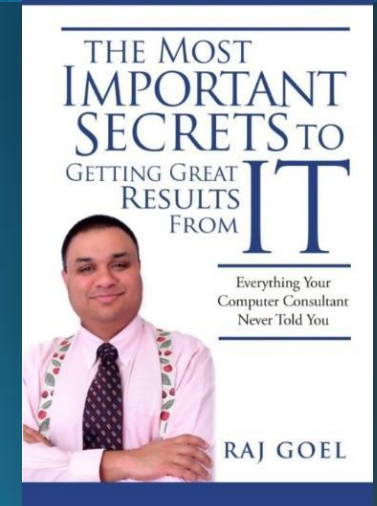
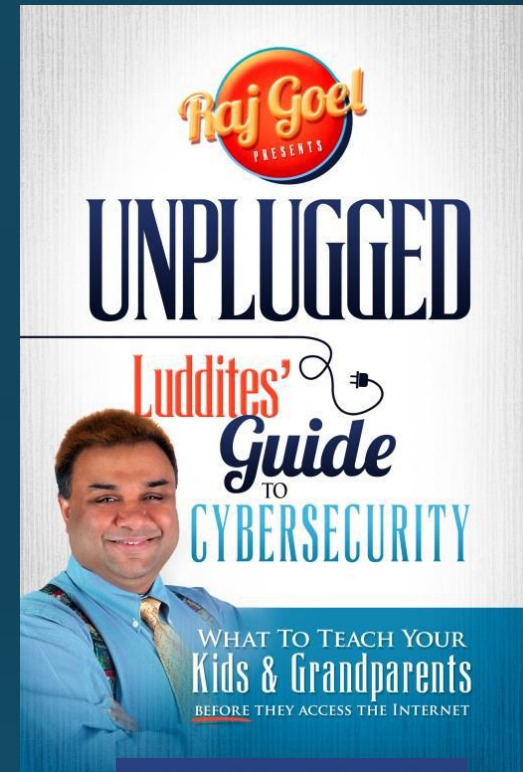
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A Bitter Pill

Stronger software liability would fix much of what ails us.

"Software is eating the world." –Marc Andreessen

"If builders built buildings the way programmers wrote programs, then the first woodpecker that came along would destroy civilization." –Gerald Weinberg

Both of those quotes give us much to ponder. Software is eating the world...and shoddy software is caving in on us. Consider:

- **Medical device** (pacemakers, insulin pumps, medication dispensing robots, etc.) lacks assassination tools have jumped from spy thrillers and TV shows to real-life possibilities, as demonstrated by University of South Alabama students and reported in *Computerworld* in September 2015.

- Almost every major brand of car (Jeep, Mercedes, BMW, Tesla, Ford, etc.) has been hacked in tests, according to a July 2015 *Wired* report.

- **Web browser** security is an oxymoron. Seeing every major browser get hacked at pwn2own has become a rite of passage, as well as big prize money as posted by Trend Micro in March 2016.

- **Adobe Flash** is the poster child for massively insecure software. Steve Jobs famously banned it from Apple products, describing his concerns in 2010 in an online post.

I've long advocated for us to adopt software liability laws. And a typical response is: "We'll never get rid of zero-days."

I believe that, as an industry, we fetishize zero-days a bit too much. Yes, they exist and are used in some attacks,



but the vast majority of attacks succeed due to insufficient patching, inadequate monitoring and shoddily developed software.

But, since people like to bring up zero-days, let's put that to bed.

The most impressive zero-day attack that occurred in the real world, in my opinion, was the 1982 Chicago Tylenol murders. An unknown individual (or individuals) bought Tylenol bottles in the Chicago area, opened them, added cyanide capsules to the bottles and replaced them on the store shelves. Seven people died as a result. No one was ever caught.

With millions of dollars at stake, not to mention public safety, Johnson & Johnson took what was at that time an extraordinary approach—a massive product recall. "Before 1982, nobody ever recalled anything," said Albert Tortorella, a managing director at Burson-Marsteller Inc., the New York public relations firm that advised Johnson & Johnson. Its board and management decided to put patient safety first. Breaking with industry tradition, they went

public with the details. They offered a free recall of every Tylenol bottle in America. The recall cost Johnson & Johnson more than \$100 million, and it initially lost market share.

In less than a decade, not only did the company regain market share, it exceeded its previous market share for over-the-counter pain relief medication. As a footnote, Johnson & Johnson and the pharmaceutical industry developed tamper-proof packaging, caplets, and made secure, tamper-proof packaging an industry requirement.

Another excuse for opposing software liability regulations: "I can't do anything about it—it's too big an issue." Here is a case study that refutes that claim.

Fed up with shoddy and dangerous food production practices (rotting meat, vermin, animal feces, excessive workplace injuries, etc.), Upton Sinclair wrote the expose *The Jungle* in 1906, leading to massive public outcry and the eventual passage of the Pure Food and Drug Act, the precursor of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), which arguably has saved more lives than any other act of Congress.

The Pure Food and Drug Act also led to thousands of food manufacturers and patent medicine manufacturers going bankrupt.

Big or small, if they couldn't produce food safe for human consumption or so-called "elixirs" that weren't poisonous, they weren't allowed to sell their wares.

A third common excuse for not supporting software liability laws: "Software is too complicated and too important to the economy to be regulated."

Every industry, like every company, begins as a startup. That includes railroads, manufacturing, telecom, automobiles and software. As industries mature, they become central to the economy. Billions of dollars are made by a handful of individuals or firms that focus on generating profits and externalize safety costs.

It usually takes horrific accidents or a large number of deaths to capture the public's imagination and/or require these industries to change practices. I strongly recommend you watch *Modern Marvels: Engineering Disaster*, a History



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that smoking tobacco caused cancers and other health issues but the dangers were not commonly known. It wasn't until the 1990s when 40 U.S. states joined a class-action lawsuit that led to \$206 billion in fines, elimination of cigarette marketing to children and a robust anti-smoking education campaign.

As information security professionals, IT managers or simply end users, we are the crash test dummies for software developers and until we start telling the truth to ourselves, our clients and vendors, we will keep suffering from compromises due to faulty products.

The Mirai botnet, a collection of 400,000 infected bots ready to create DDoS attacks, is not an accident. Nor is Business Email Compromise (BEC) an unintentional industry. Ransomware did not arise by chance, either. All are the result of decades of commercial incentives that let developers ship software with no security, no controls and no responsibility.

I think it's time we drew lessons from history and started agitating for software liability reform. It's 2017 and we're overdue for an overhaul. We need to apply existing consumer protection laws to software, revoke EULAs and uphold our right to buy only software that's fit for safe use.

In my mind, only two industries exist in the United States with zero consumer protection laws: illegal drugs and software. And both industries call their customers "users." ■

Channel docudrama, to see how industry after industry (grain processing, sugar processing, bridge construction, stadium construction, shipping, etc.) investigated failures, developed new standards, made them mandatory and improved society.

The industry closest to software, in my mind, is the cigarette industry.

In the 1920s, cigarette manufacturers advertised their cigarettes as weight-loss products and adding sex appeal. By the 1950s, as revealed in later litigation, the cigarette industry knew

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The Hidden Internet of Things at Work: RISKS AND REWARDS

72%
Believe that Internet of Things device manufacturers do not implement sufficient security

1 in 2
Believe IT department is not aware of all the organization's connected devices

#1
IoT security concern for enterprises is data leakage

63%
Say workplace use of Internet of Things devices has reduced employee privacy



47%
Expect a cyberattack on their organization within the next year

73%
Estimate medium to high likelihood of organization being hacked through Internet of Things device

#1
Benefit of Internet of Things is better access to information

1 in 3
Believe their organization is unprepared for a sophisticated cyberattack

The Internet of Things will continue to surround and connect people at home, at work and on the road.
The number of B2B Internet of Things devices is expected to expand from 1.2 billion devices in 2015 to 5.4 billion connected devices by 2020 [Verizon/ABI Research]. To view IT and cybersecurity professionals' recommendations for maintaining a cyber-secure workplace and learn the steps that consumers can take to protect their data, visit: www.isaca.org/risk-reward-barometer.

“Humans are incapable of securely storing high-quality cryptographic keys and they have unacceptable speed and accuracy when performing cryptographic operations. They are also large, expensive to maintain, difficult to manage, and they pollute the environment. It is astonishing that these devices continue to be manufactured and deployed. But they are sufficiently pervasive that we must design our protocols around their limitations.”

From Network Security: Private Communication in a Public World.

Kaufman, Perlman, and Speciner
Prentice Hall, publisher

Deployment Failures





UK Banks warn against storing family finger prints on Apple Pay

- Banks are warning Apple Pay users against storing other people's fingerprints on their iPhones, with a threat that would void terms & conditions agreements.
- While iPhone users can store as many as 10 fingerprints on some iPhones – to allow family members to share their devices – these settings could create several unintended consequences.
- If mobile bank customers fail to heed these notices, banks may opt not to refund disputed transactions or may not assist customers when they if they become victims of fraud.

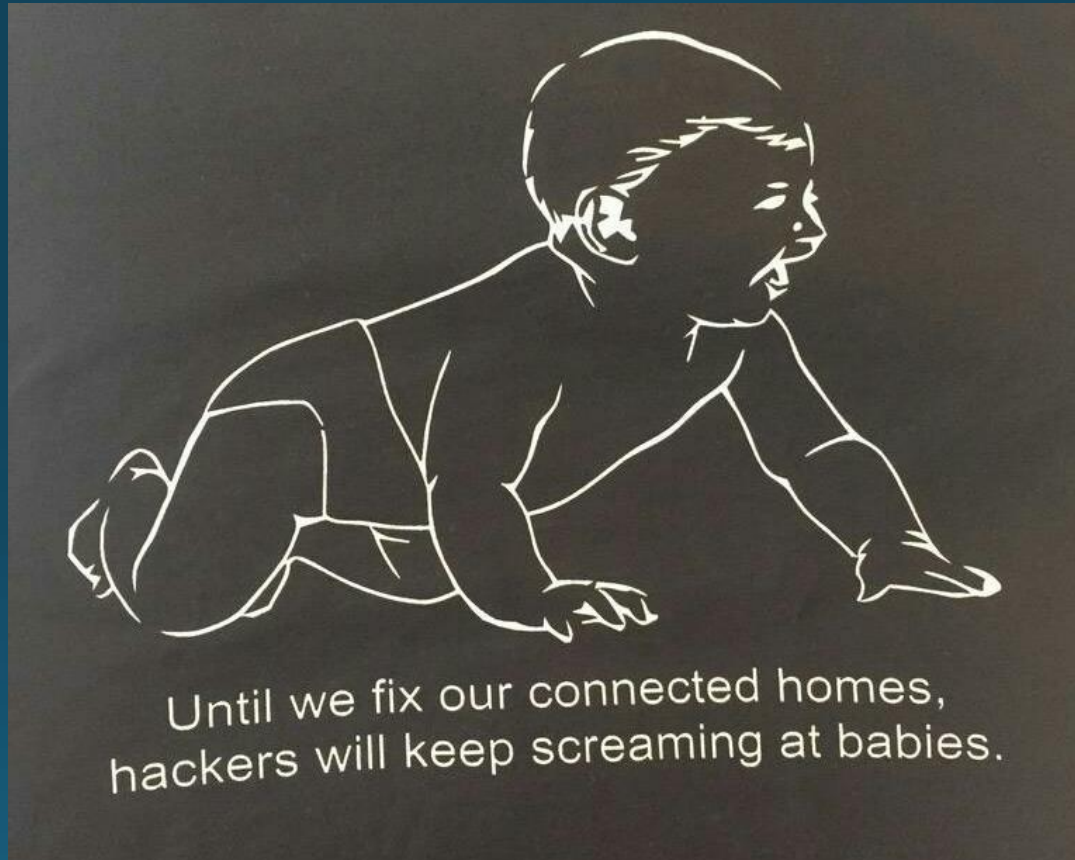
<http://www.scmagazine.com/banks-warn-apple-pay-users-against-storing-family-members-fingerprints-on-iphones/article/451494/>

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War on Kids



Talking Tom app offers naked selfies

- Company says it's the "world's most popular cat"
- Available on Android & iOS
- Aimed at children
- Affairalert.com bought adult ads on Talking Tom

<https://nakedsecurity.sophos.com/2015/12/11/my-talking-tom-offers-up-naked-selfie-ads-to-kids/>

Fisher-Price smart bear hacked...

- Researchers at Rapid7, found that the app connected to the Fisher-Price toy had several security flaws that would allow a hacker to steal a **child's name, birthdate** and **gender**, along with other data. The toymaker encourages parents to use the app so that the toy can better interact with children.

<https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2016/feb/02/fisher-price-mattel-smart-toy-bear-data-hack-technology>



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"Yes hello, which isle for botnets?"

Alex von Gluck 🍂 @kallisti5



Haha. All the compromised #cloudpets at the 99 cent store. I like ho...

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Future Therapy Bills...



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virtual rabbits will die because their digital food supply has been shut down by a legal battle
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Many pet rabbits will die in Second Life on Saturday

By [Alice O'Connor](#) on May 19th, 2017 at 10:17 pm.

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Virtual rabbits across [Second Life \[official site\]](#) will fall asleep on Saturday then never wake up, now that their digital food supply has been shut down by a legal battle. The player-made and player-sold Ozimals brand of digirabbits are virtual pets that players breed and care for in the sandbox MMO, and even need to feed by buying DRM-protected virtual food. But they rely on servers. The seller of Ozimals and the Pufflings

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I made the mistake of adding an August Home Smart Lock to my front door. It's an Apple HomeKit device so it requires a hub for Siri; either an AppleTV or iPad. I use an iPad Pro in the living room for this purpose. I was showing off my home automation setup to a neighbor a few days ago, he's cool techy guy like myself. Fast forward to this morning, I'm pulling out of my driveway and he runs up and asks to borrow some flour to fry wings for an office wing party/contest; dope. So I put the car in park and to go back inside and he's like "I'll let myself in." I'm stunned, like what the f*ck. Dude walks up to my front door and shouts, "HEY SIRI, UNLOCK THE FRONT DOOR." She unlocked the front door.

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Don't trust siri with your door locks, that's not smart.



Chris Plummer

@chrisplummer



Replying to [@jmaxxz](#) and [@thorsheim](#)

regular lock: open challenge to people at my front door
smart lock: open challenge to the entire planet earth
why would i ever do this

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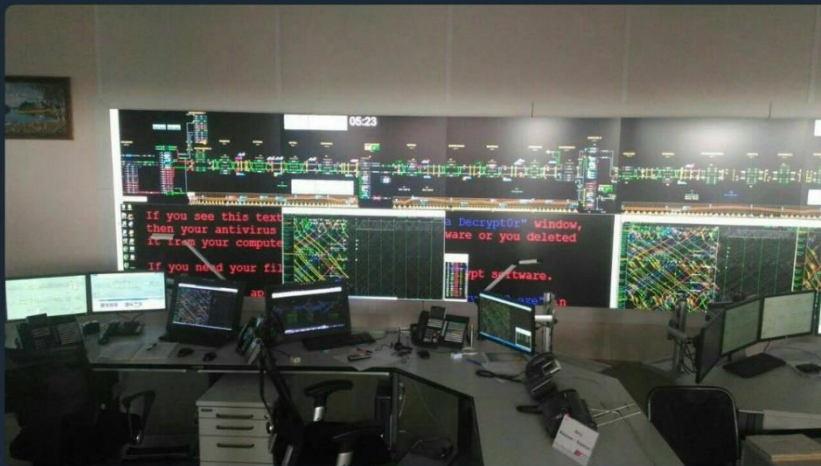




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Russian railway ops centre Wanna Cry.



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Ransomware has hit everyone from hospitals to car manufacturers in just 72 hours troyhunt.com/everything-you...



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this ransomware:
– infects entire networks via SMB shares
– about \$300 to decrypt
– dies when a specific domain name is online

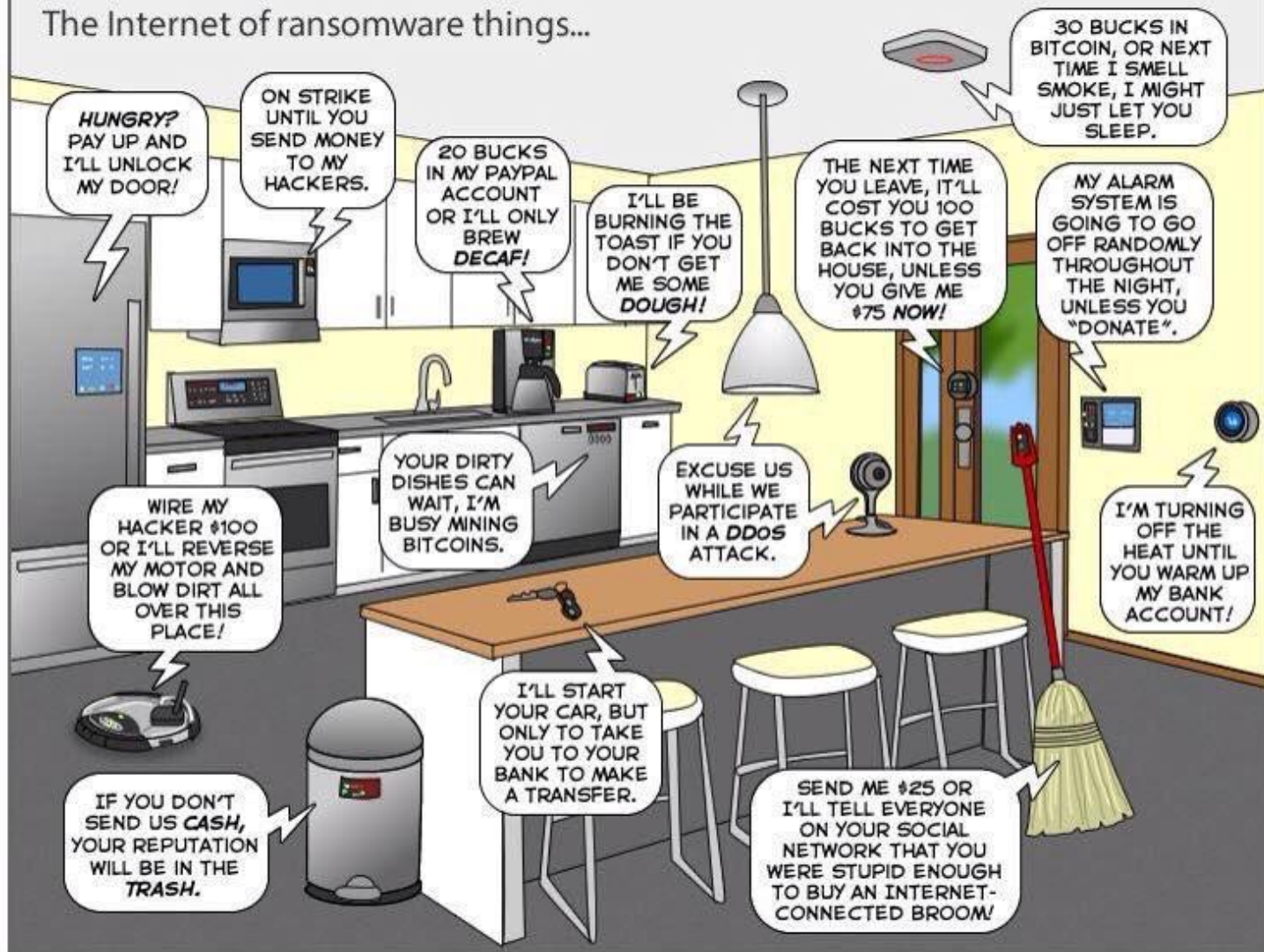
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Google's NEST never turns off

- **ABI Research has inspected Google's Nest Cam and found that when users turn off the camera, only the LED lights shuts down, with other components continuing to run in the background.**
- "This means that even when a consumer thinks that he or she is successfully turning off this camera, the device is still running, which could potentially unleash a tidal wave of privacy concerns."

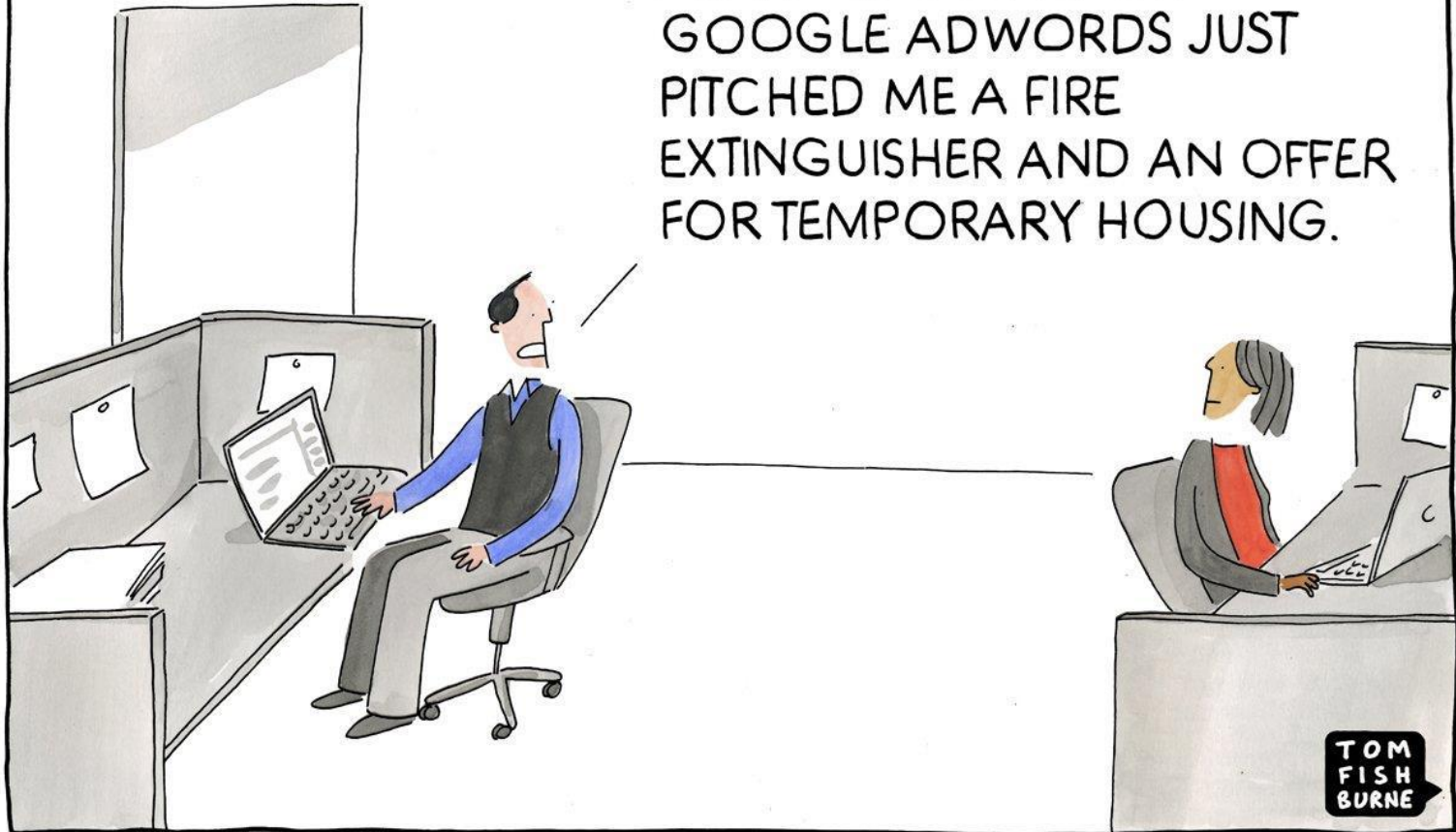
<http://news.softpedia.com/news/google-s-nest-cam-doesn-t-actually-shut-down-continues-to-operate-regardless-of-led-light-496691.shtml>

The Internet of ransomware things...



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"Medical devices are one of the few places where the phrase 'remote execution vulnerability' is meant literally." @perrymetzger #langsec2017

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Security of medical devices 'is a life or death issue'. Study finds 8,000 vulnerabilities in medical devices.



Security of medical devices 'is a life or death issue', warns researcher
nakedsecurity.sophos.com



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One thing they found is, "8,000 known vulns in 3rd-party libraries across 4 different pacemaker programmer from 4 different manufacturers."

Billy Rios @XSSniper

We spent the last few months tearing apart various pacemaker systems... here is what we found! blog.whitescope.io/2017/05/unders...

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And just how did they acquire pacemaker systems, which are supposed to be 'controlled', you might ask? eBay of course!

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Programmer with [Redacted]
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Voice Assistants





WHEN VISITING A NEW HOUSE, IT'S GOOD TO CHECK WHETHER THEY HAVE AN ALWAYS-ON DEVICE TRANSMITTING YOUR CONVERSATIONS SOMEWHERE.



Smart Homes



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holy crap, [@andrewx192](#)'s house got wet because a security certificate expired :o



Andrew Sorensen

@AndrewX192

Home automation: when an expired certificate leads to water on the floor



Andrew Sorensen @AndrewX1... 17h
[@scottleibrand](#) System couldn't turn off humidifier as TLS certificate had expired. Failsafe didn't engage to shut it off

SimpliSafe transmits PIN in clear

- It appears SimpliSafe's systems send messages unencrypted in the clear over the air. That means it's trivial to send spoofed sensor readings – such as back-door closed – to fool alarm control boxes into thinking no break-in is happening, and replay PIN codes from keypads to activate or deactivate security systems.
- A thief just has to loiter near a home with some radio equipment, pick up the unencrypted PIN messages transmitted from a keypad to the control box, and later replay the messages to deactivate the alarm when the homeowners are out.”

http://www.theregister.co.uk/2016/02/17/simplisafe_wireless_home_alarm_system_cracked

WiFi enabled doorbell...open for all

- The Ring allows people to answer people knocking on your door from your mobile phone
- There's an optional feature that allows the kit to hook up to some smart door locks, so users can let guests into their home even when they aren't in.
- The device is secured outside a house using two commonly available Torx T4 screws, leaving it vulnerable to theft. Ring offer a free replacement if the kit is stolen, so homeowners are covered in that scenario (at least).
- An easy attack makes it all too simple to steal a homeowner's Wi-Fi key. To do this, hackers would need to take the kit off the door mounting, flip it over and press the orange "set up" button.
- "Pressing the setup button [puts] the doorbell's wireless module (a Gainspan wireless unit) into a setup mode, in which it acts as a Wi-Fi access point," Pen Test Partners consultant David Lodge

http://www.theregister.co.uk/2016/01/12/ring_doorbell_reveals_wifi_credentials/

Xfinity's Security System Flaws Open Homes to Thieves

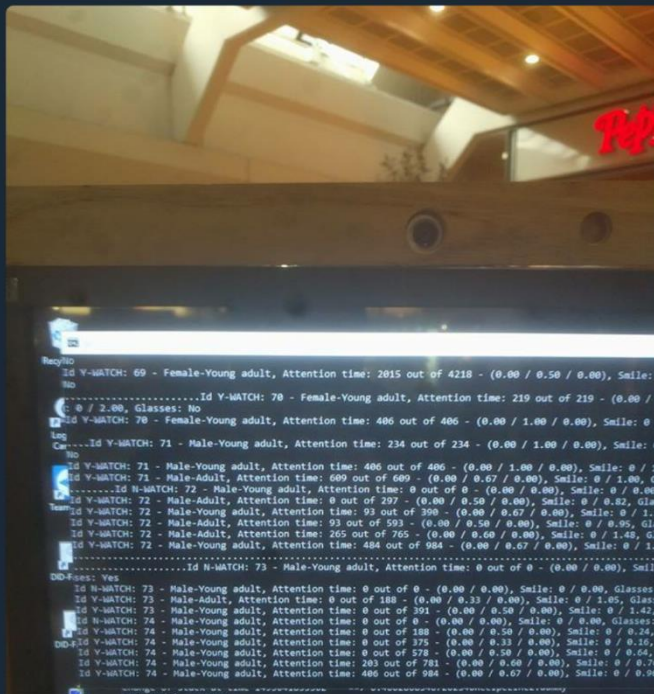
- Security researchers at Rapid7 have found vulnerabilities in Comcast's Xfinity Home Security system that would cause it to falsely report that a property's windows and doors are closed and secured even if they've been opened; it could also fail to sense an intruder's motion.
- The system uses a ZigBee-based protocol to communicate and operate over the 2.4 GHz radio frequency band. All a thief has to do is use radio jamming equipment to block the signals that pass from a door, window, or motion sensor to the home's baseband hub
- **"The sign that is designed to deter attackers can now become a sign that invites attackers,"** Beardsley says [Rapid7].
- **"Our home security system uses the same advanced, industry-standard technology as the nation's top home security providers." – Comcast Spokesperson**

<http://www.wired.com/2016/01/xfinitys-security-system-flaws-open-homes-to-thieves/>



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A crashed advertisement reveals the code of the facial recognition system used by a pizza shop in Oslo...



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Ha ha nope: the internet salt-shaker:
time.com/4773835/smart-...

(Malware will eventually cause SMALT to dispense capsaicin)

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This Smart Salt Shaker Will Change the Way
You Season Food
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Manhattan bank CSO told me attackers deliver pallets of pre-compromised routers to his loading dock...



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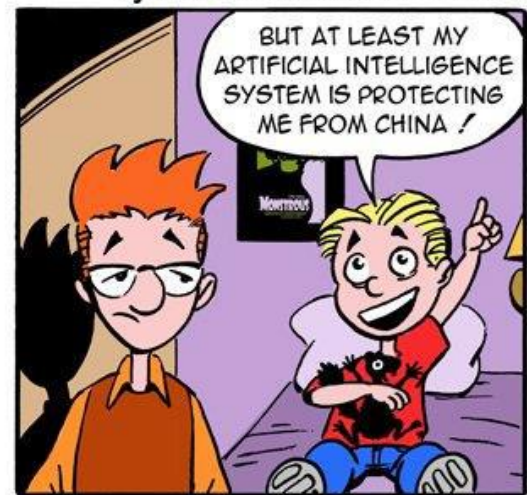
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SmartTVs



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Right: 1984

...ognition features to you. In addition, Samsung may collect and your device may capture voice commands and associated texts so that we can provide you with Voice Recognition features and evaluate and improve the features. Please be aware that if your spoken words include personal or other sensitive information, that information will be among the data captured and transmitted to a third party through your use of Voice Recognition.

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...hind Winston's back the voice from the telescreen was still babbling away about pig-iron and the fulfilment of the Ninth Three-Year Plan. The telescreen received and transmitted simultaneously any sound that Winston made, above the level of a very low whisper, would be picked up by it, moreover so long as he remained within the field of vision which the metal plaque commanded, he could be seen as well as heard. There was of course no way of knowing whether you were being watched at any given moment. Now often, or on what system, the Thought Police tapped in on any individual wire was guesswork. It was even conceivable that they watched everybody all the time. But at any rate they could plug in your wire whenever they wanted to. You had to live--did live in a constant habit that became instinct--in the assumption that every sound you made was overheard, and, except in darkness, every movement scrutinized.

Samsung smart fridge leaves Gmail logins open to attack

- Pen Test Partners discovered the MiTM (man-in-the-middle) vulnerability that facilitated the exploit during an IoT hacking challenge at the recent DEF CON hacking conference.
- The hack was pulled off against the RF28HMELBSR smart fridge, part of Samsung's line-up of Smart Home appliances which can be controlled via their Smart Home app. While the fridge implements SSL, it fails to validate SSL certificates, thereby enabling man-in-the-middle attacks against most connections.
- The internet-connected device is designed to download Gmail Calendar information to an on-screen display. Security shortcomings mean that hackers who manage to jump on to the same network can potentially steal Google login credentials from their neighbours.
- "The internet-connected fridge is designed to display Gmail Calendar information on its display," explained Ken Munro, a security researcher at Pen Test Partners. "It appears to work the same way that any device running a Gmail calendar does. A logged-in user/owner of the calendar makes updates and those changes are then seen on any device that a user can view the calendar on."
- "While SSL is in place, the fridge fails to validate the certificate. Hence, hackers who manage to access the network that the fridge is on (perhaps through a de-authentication and fake Wi-Fi access point attack) can Man-In-The-Middle the fridge calendar client and steal Google login credentials from their neighbours, for example."
- http://www.theregister.co.uk/2015/08/24/smart_fridge_security_fubar/

#NYSCybersec @RajGoel_NY Smart Fridge has STUPID Security



New York Magazine 

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If a device can connect to the internet,
it will be compromised



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Crazy: because of legal restrictions, American farmers are downloading Ukrainian firmware for their tractors motherboard.vice.com/en_us/article/...

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To avoid the draconian locks that John Deere puts on the tractors they buy, farmers throughout America's heartland have started hacking their equipment with firmware that's cracked in Eastern Europe and traded on invite-only, paid online forums.

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It's not hacking, it's called fixing. And we should all have the right to work on and fix things we bought.



Why American Farmers Are Hacking Their Tractors With Ukrainian Firmware
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TIL researchers who discovered VW #dieseldgate defeat device relied on tuner community who had Bosch firmware & docs. arstechnica.com/cars/2017/05/v...

Discovering a hidden cheat

The researchers, led by University of California San Diego computer scientist Kirill Levchenko, faced a number of challenges in their quest to find the offending code.

Firmware images were gleaned from car-tuning forums and from an online portal maintained by Volkswagen for car repair shops. Documentation, in the form of so-called "function sheets," was harder to come by. The function sheets were necessary to give the binary context, but the sheets are copyrighted by Bosch and generally not shared with the public. The research team ended up turning to the auto-performance tuning community again. These hard-core hobbyists and professionals share leaked function sheets so they can make aftermarket modifications to their cars.

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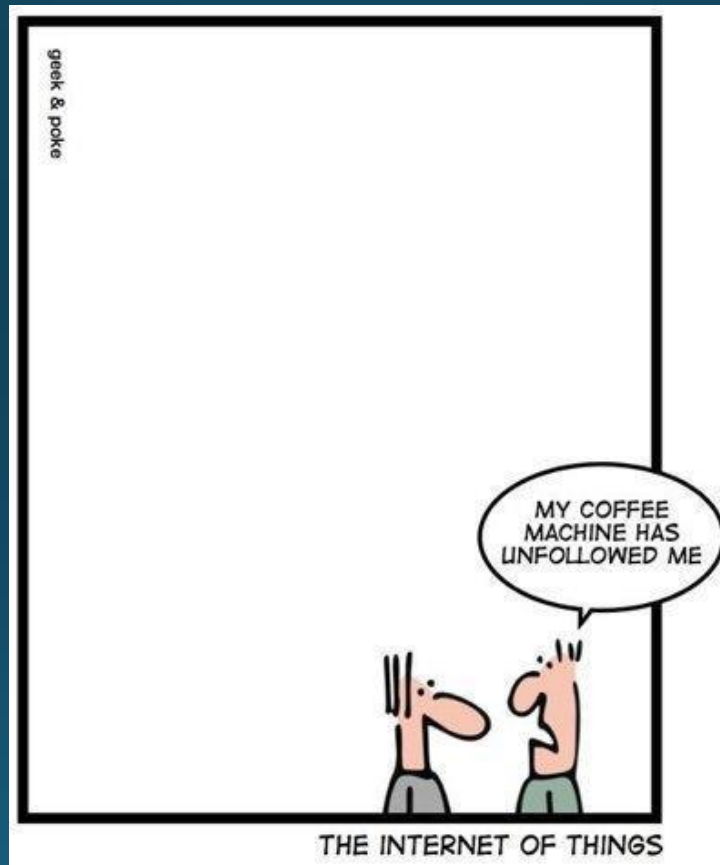
Once again, software errors have caused a loss of human life. Nothing to do with

75% of cars stolen in France...hacked

- Three quarters of cars stolen in France are targeted using electronic hacking, it was claimed on Thursday, prompting calls for urgent security improvements in a range of vehicles sold across Europe.
- The Smart Fortwo model was France's most-stolen car, with the Ford Fiesta and Peugeot 406 models also popular among thieves
- The astonishing figures come two months after computer scientists in the UK warned that thousands of cars – including high-end brands such as Porsches and Maseratis - are at risk of electronic hacking. **Their research was suppressed for two years by a court injunction for fear it would help thieves steal vehicles to order.**

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/europe/france/11964140/Three-quarters-of-cars-stolen-in-France-electronically-hacked.html>

Future Therapy #2



Recommendations – Avoid Biometrics

Really good examples of flaws in biometric authentication are demonstrated in the movies:

- DEMOLITION MAN – where they bypass IRIS scans
- SNEAKERS – where they bypass VOICE print
- We shed DNA everywhere; we leave hair, saliva, fingerprints everywhere.
- We cannot change our iris patterns, how we walk (unless we have an injury), etc.
- BIOMETRICS firms would be better off using the biometric markers are REINFORCEMENT factors, not exclusive factors for identification.

Recommendations

- **REVOKE EULAs**
- **pass SOFTWARE SAFETY laws**
- **hold vendors accountable for shoddy software and pass minimum or mandatory safety standards.**
- **What we CAN do is make it harder for criminals to steal by building better defenses; making companies and management more liable for breaches; and demanding safer software.**

Software, Food, Medicine, Cars

- I see strong parallels between software & food; and software & cars.
- Between 1870 & 1906, the quality of food and medicine sold in the US was frankly, terrible. There were no safety or sanitary practices.
- After the muckrakers agitated, and Upton Sinclair published INTO THE JUNGLE, American society was appalled by the unsanitary food and medicine production practices.

Lessons from FDA

- Congress passed the PURE FOOD AND DRUG ACT (1906)– which led to the creation of the FDA, regulation of FOOD , Medicine, etc.
- A lot of companies died because they could not meet new requirements for cleanliness, safety testing, inspections, etc.
- The net result, however, is that food and medicine in the US became the safest in the world, and influenced food & medical practices worldwide.
- I truly believe that the PURE FOOD & DRUG ACT saved more lives in human history than any other act of Congress.

Lessons from IIHS

- Another parallel to software is the automobile.
- When the automobile was invented, there were no regulations. And for the first few decades, it was seen as a fad; an expensive toy and very much resembled the dotcom economy.
- As cars became central to our lives, the National Highway Safety Commission, driver licensing requirements, mandatory driver's insurance requirements, seat belts, anti-lock brakes, and other safety features were mandated.
- The automakers hated this, and argued that building safer, more efficient cars would destroy the automobile industry.
- What we saw instead, is that some manufacturers died; the industry consolidated into a handful of big brands, and cars produced in 2016 are much safer, more efficient and frankly better than anything produced in 1950, 1970 or even 1990.

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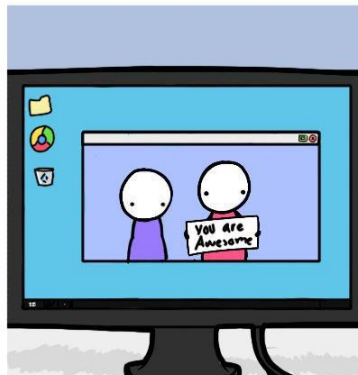
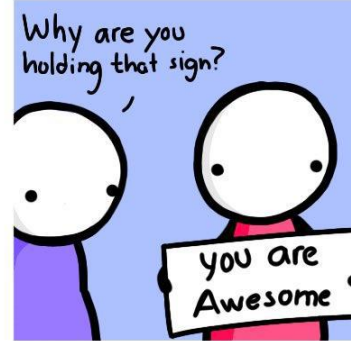
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