



# Digital Forensics

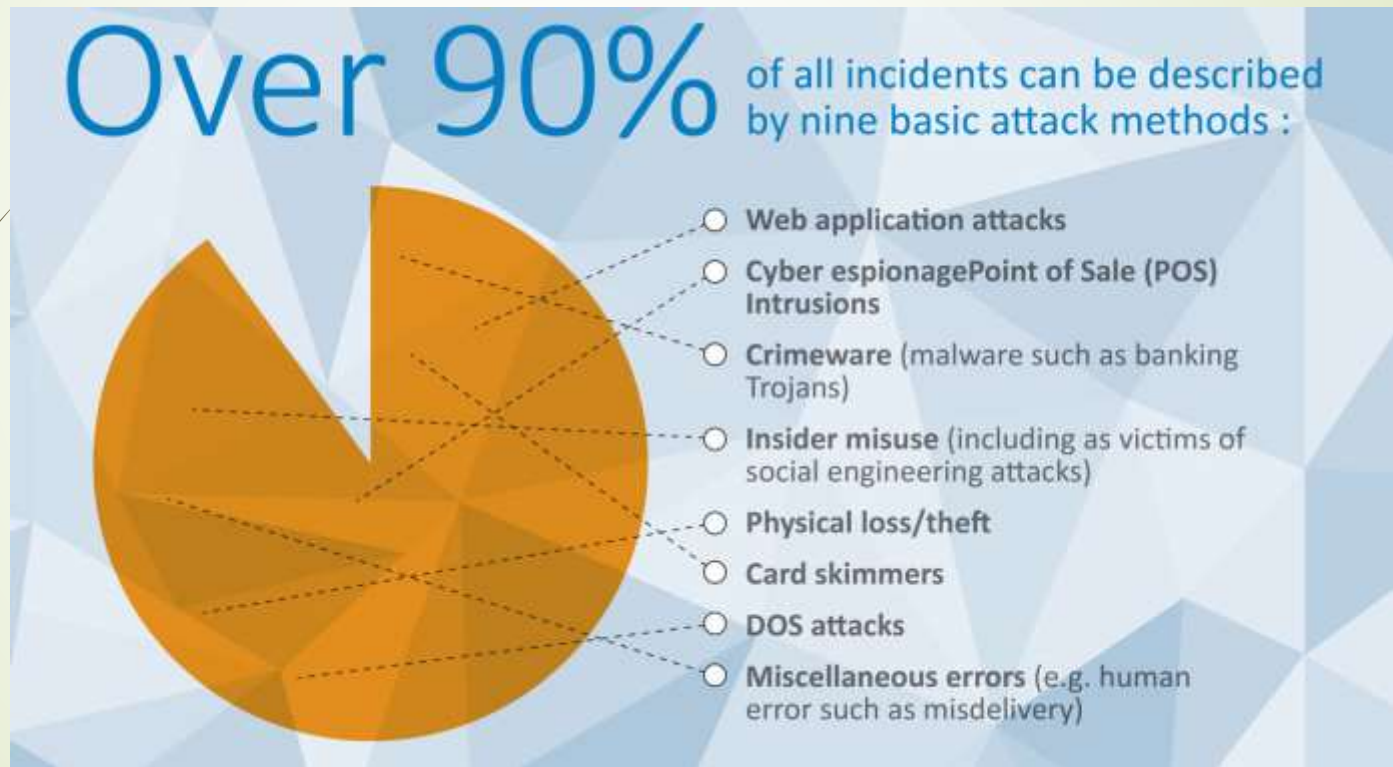
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# Crime areas

- Crime-as-a-Service
- Malware
- Child sexual exploitation online
- Payment fraud
- Criminal finances online
- Crimes relating to social engineering
- Data breaches and network intrusions
- Vulnerabilities of critical infrastructure

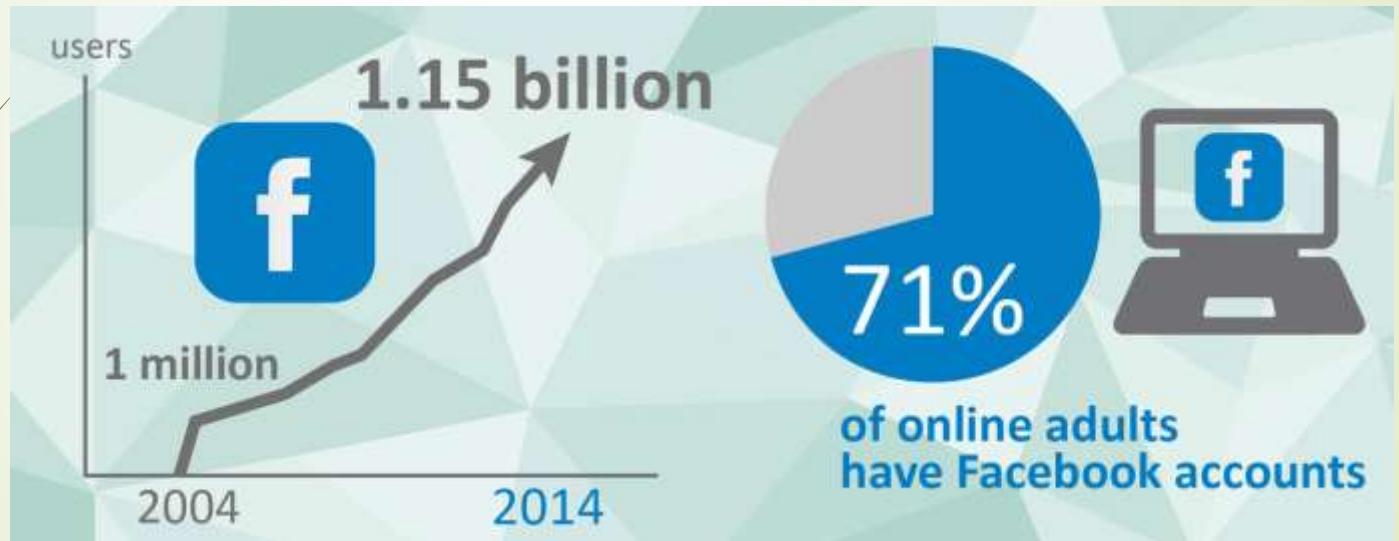
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# Cybercrime stats



**3,059,741,441**

Internet Users in the world



**1,195,753,044**

Total number of Websites



**173,649,345,268**

Emails sent [today](#)



**3,343,266,658**

Google searches [today](#)



**3,071,556**

Blog posts written [today](#)



**601,211,325**

Tweets sent [today](#)



**6,735,157,666**

Videos viewed [today](#)  
on YouTube



**121,698,986**

Photos uploaded [today](#)  
on Instagram



**122,235,929**

Tumblr posts [today](#)



**1,363,445,862**

Facebook active users



**866,780,019**

Google+ active users



**330,062,021**

Twitter active users



**59,352,025**

Pinterest active users



**116,842,571**

Skype calls [today](#)



**39,007**

Websites hacked [today](#)



# SPAM

Motivation	Scam Type	Modus Operandi
<b>Money</b>	Advance fee	Pay money to get money e.g. Nigerian letters, lottery, inheritance...
	Advertisement	Buy fake-/-non-existent goods, often medication
	Dating	Send money to cover medical care, flights or visa
	Investment	Invest into non-existent/fraudulently valued companies and pump and dump schemes
	Employment	Pay upfront administration fees for a falsely promised service and/or become a money mule
	Friend in need	Send money to a friend in need whose email, twitter or social network account has been hacked
	Charity	Contribution to an unregistered charity
<b>Sensitive Information</b>	Phishing	Disclose exploitable information, such as credentials e.g. banking scam, tax scam, raffles
<b>Malware</b>	Malicious website or application	Click the malicious link. A friend's message, adult content, fake virus alerts and breaking news are particularly effective to attract victims' attention

# Trends

## 1. Mobile Threats Become More Sophisticated and Pervasive

- ▶ The worldwide smartphone market reached a new milestone in 2013 with one billion units shipped in a single year for the first time, up 38% from the 725m units shipped in 2012
- ▶ Malicious and high-risk apps are overwhelmingly programmed for Android devices. Although a few do exist for other platforms and more have been promised, Android's popularity and open platform make it likely to remain the focus of malicious app developers for some time yet.

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exchange at 31-3-2015 1B= 228.46 Euro



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- ▶ Gaming outlets, and retailers including Overstock and Zynga, accept it as a valid payment method.
- ▶ In August 2013, the German government recognized it as a legal private currency and even imposed a tax on it.
- ▶ Chinese and Russian governments banned Bitcoin transactions over fears of money laundering, funding terrorism or tax evasion



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# Trends

## 3. Malware Gets More Sophisticated, APT Attacks Remain Unabated and POS Malware Attacks Become Common

- POS malware to referral abuse, cybercriminals are continually in search of new approaches to monetize their bots. At the same time they seek to spawn new attacks, they are also creating more

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70000 000	RU	NA	NA	NA	0001		74 18
81121 000	RU	NA	NA	NA	0001		74 18
41121 000	RU	UNITED STATES	CREDIT	PLATINUM	0010		80 18
11128 101	RU	UNITED STATES	NA	NA	0014		70 18
01128 101	RU	UNITED STATES	NA	NA	1010		70 18
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40001 101	RU	UNITED STATES	CREDIT	GOLD PREMIUM	0014		70 18
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40004 101	RU	UNITED STATES	NA	NA	1014		70 18
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# Trends

4. User Authentication Will be Redefined by Mobile
  - Consumers create multiple digital identities requiring them to remember multiple passwords.
  - Major password breaches made headlines throughout 2013, compromising tens of millions of passwords, user IDs, email addresses and other personal information.
  - according to the 2013 Verizon Data Breach Investigations Report, over 75% of attacks leveraged weak or stolen credentials.



# Crimes in Italian Penal Code

- Documenti informatici (art. 491 bis c.p.)
- Falso (materiale e ideologico) in documenti informatici (da 476 al 493 bis c.p.)
- Danneggiamento di informazioni, dati e programmi informatici (art. 635 bis e ter c.p.)
- Accesso abusivo ad un sistema informatico o telematico (art. 615 ter c.p.)
- Detenzione e diffusione abusiva di codici di accesso a sistemi informatici o telematici (art. 615 quater c.p.)
- Diffusione di apparecchiature, dispositivi o programmi informatici diretti a danneggiare o interrompere un sistema informatico o telematico (art. 615 quinquies c.p.)
- Intercettazione non autorizzata (art. 617 quater, quinquies, sexies c.p.)
- Violazioni della riservatezza dei dati personali (D. Lgs. 196/03)

# Some attacks (Eavesdropping)

## Registrazione conclusa con successo !

Configura subito la tua connessione a Libero.

» Scarica il software per configurare automaticamente la connessione con il numero unico!  
Ti consigliamo di stampare questa pagina e di conservare queste informazioni.

### Riepilogo Dati Anagrafici

Nome: **aaaa**

Sesso: **M**

Provincia: **AG**

Cognome: **bbbb**

Data di nascita: **09/08/1934**

Privato/Azienda: **Privato** Telefono:

### Per configurare la posta elettronica

- E-mail: **luiss12-10@libero.it** (verrà attivata entro pochi minuti).
- Nome utente per leggere la posta: **luiss12-10**
- Password: **questalapwd**
- Indirizzo server di posta in entrata (POP3): **popmail.libero.it** oppure **imapmail.libero.it**
- Indirizzo server di posta in uscita (SMTP): **mail.libero.it**, oppure **"nome\_server\_provider"** qualora non fosse Libero il Provider fornitore della connettività
- Indirizzo server delle news: **powernews.libero.it**

### Per configurare la connessione ad internet

- USERNAME: **luiss12-10**
- PASSWORD: **questalapwd**
- Indirizzo IP: **assegnato dal server**
- Indirizzi DNS: **assegnati dal server**
- Durata dell'abbonamento: **illimitata**

**Attenzione**, ti ricordiamo che, per collegarti con Libero dovrai impostare lo Username completo, **luiss12-10@libero.it**, in caso contrario la tua chiamata verrà respinta.

# Some Attacks (Eavesdropping)

## 615 quinquies

The screenshot shows the Wireshark interface with a network capture. The packet list pane shows several packets, with packet 43 selected. The packet details pane shows the structure of the selected packet, and the packet bytes pane shows the raw data.

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Info
37	1.306579	10.0.29.65	10.0.29.51	SMB	Read AndX Request, FID: 0x...
38	1.306595	10.0.29.51	10.0.29.65	SMB	Read AndX Response, FID: 0...
39	1.306602	10.0.29.51	10.0.29.65	TCP	[Continuation to #39] netb...
40	1.306607	10.0.29.51	10.0.29.65	TCP	[Continuation to #40] netb...
41	1.306612	10.0.29.65	10.0.29.51	TCP	3092 > netbios-ssn [ACK] S...
42	1.417567	10.0.29.65	10.0.100.103	HTTP	POST http://wpop2.libero.i...
43	1.417647	10.0.29.65	10.0.100.103	HTTP	Continuation
44	1.417654	10.0.100.103	10.0.29.65	TCP	webcache > 1377 [ACK] Seq=...
45	1.442633	10.0.29.65	10.0.29.51	TCP	3092 > netbios-ssn [ACK] S...

Packet 43 details:

- Header length: 20 bytes
- Flags: 0x0018 (PSH, ACK)
- Window size: 64682
- Checksum: 0xd85c (correct)
- Hypertext Transfer Protocol
- Data (96 bytes)

Packet 43 bytes (hex):

```
0030 fc aa d8 5c 00 00 64 6f 6d 69 6e 69 6f 3d 6c 69
0040 62 65 72 6f 2e 69 74 26 4c 4f 47 49 4e 3d 6c 75
0050 69 73 73 31 32 2d 31 30 26 50 41 53 53 57 44 3d
0060 71 75 65 73 74 61 6c 61 70 77 64 26 63 68 6f 69
0070 63 65 3d 6c 69 62 65 72 6f 26 41 63 74 5f 4c 6f
0080 67 69 6e 2e 78 3d 38 26 41 63 74 5f 4c 6f 67 69
0090 6e 2e 79 3d 31 31
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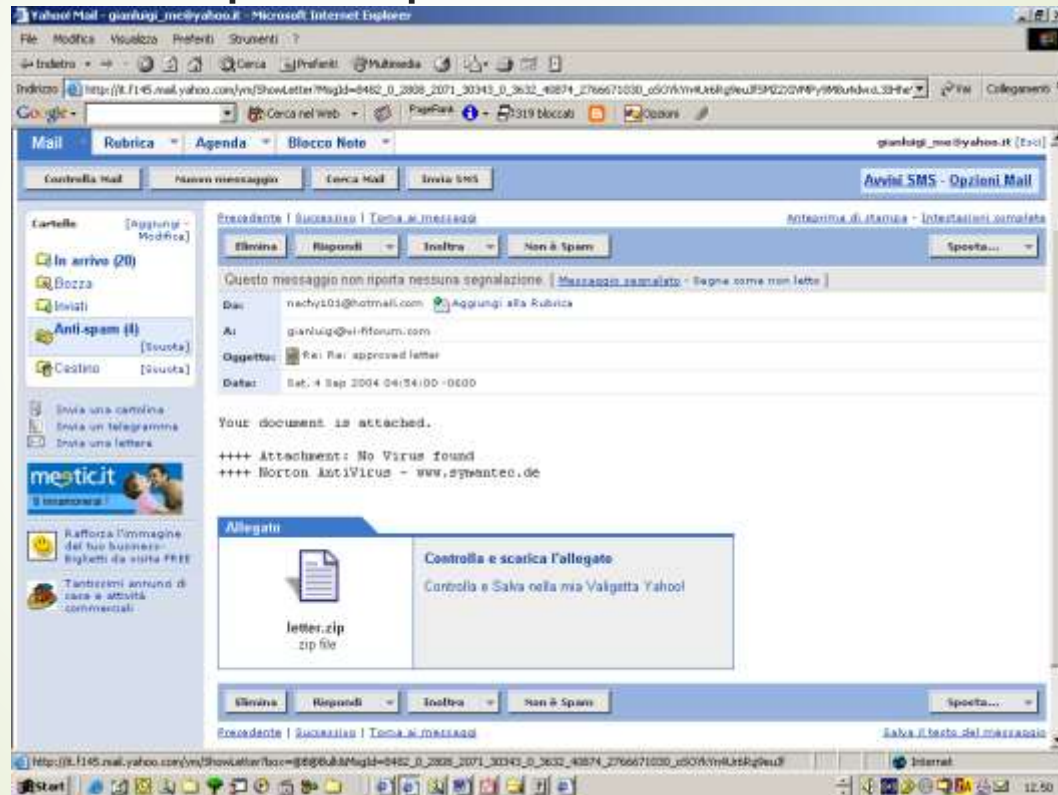
Decoded data (ASCII):

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..do minio=li
bero.it& LOGIN=lu
iss12-10 &PASSWD=
questala pwd&choi
ce=liber o&Act_Lo
gin.x=8& Act_Logi
n.y=11
```



# Some Attacks (Eavesdropping)

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# PHISHING

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- ▶ In 2013, phishing alone resulted in \$5.9 billion in losses to global organizations, and three in four data breaches were attributed to financial or fraud motives



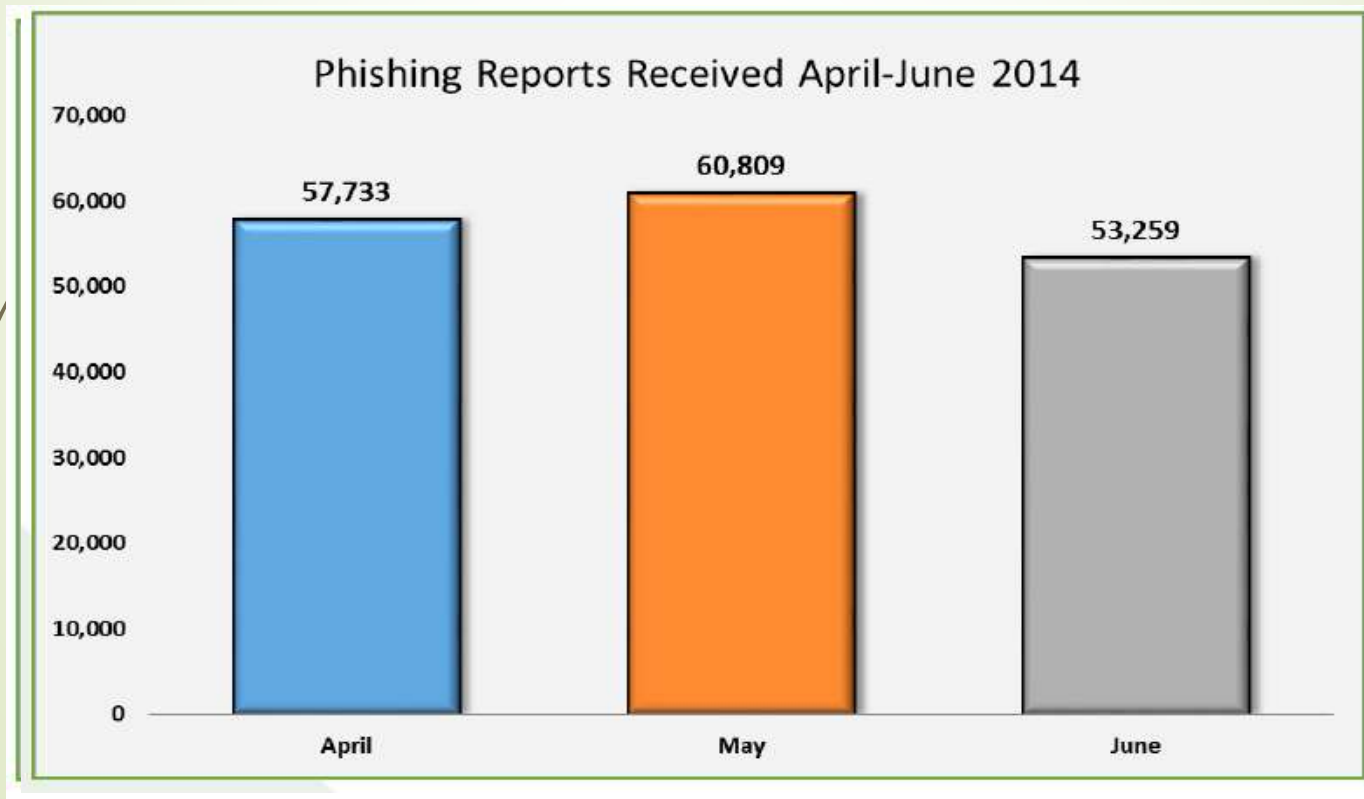



# Phishing (Social Engineering)

- ▶ Phishing is a criminal mechanism employing both social engineering and technical subterfuge to steal consumers' personal identity data and financial account credentials.
- ▶ Social engineering schemes use spoofed e-mails purporting to be from legitimate businesses and agencies, designed to lead consumers to counterfeit websites that trick recipients into divulging financial data such as usernames and passwords.
- ▶ Technical subterfuge schemes plant crimeware onto PCs to steal credentials directly, often using systems to intercept consumers online account user names and passwords -- and to corrupt local navigational infrastructures to misdirect consumers to counterfeit websites (or authentic websites through phisher-controlled proxies used to monitor and intercept consumers' keystrokes).

# Phishing (Social Engineering)

- According to Ghosh, there were "445,004 attacks in 2012 as compared to 258,461 in 2011 and 187,203 in 2010", showing that phishing has been increasingly threatening individuals





# 2nd Quarter 2014 Phishing Trends

- ▶ The 128,378 phishing sites were observed in Q2.
- ▶ This is the second-highest number of phishing sites detected in a quarter, eclipsed only by the 164,032 seen in the first quarter of 2012.
- ▶ New online payment services and crypto-currency sites are being targeted more frequently.
- ▶ There has been a recent increase in PUPs. (Potentially Unwanted Programs) such as spyware and adware. This contributed to higher global infection rates.
- ▶ The total number of brands targeted dropped to 531 brands, down from the 557 targeted in the first quarter of 2014.
- ▶ The United States continued to be the top country hosting phishing sites.



# Phishing (Social Engineering)

The image displays two side-by-side screenshots of a Microsoft Internet Explorer browser window, illustrating a phishing attack on the Chase website.

**Left Screenshot (Legitimate Chase Website):**

- Address Bar:** `http://www.chase.com/`
- Page Title:** Chase Personal Banking Investments Credit Cards Home Auto Commercial Small Business Insurance - Microsoft Internet Explorer
- Content:** The Chase logo is at the top left. Below it is a blue banner that says "Start banking online now Get a User ID" with a "GO" button. To the right of this banner is a "Returning Users: Log On" section with input fields for "User ID:" and "Password:", a "Remember my User ID" checkbox, and a "Log On" button. Further right, there is a "4.25% APY CD Guaranteed return. Limited time offer!" advertisement with a photo of a couple and a "Details" link. At the bottom, there is a "Protect Your Identity" section with a link to "Learn how to recognize and report fraudulent e-mail."

**Right Screenshot (Phishing Site):**

- Address Bar:** `http://200.75.49.126/webpai/webpai/images/chase.com/index.html`
- Page Title:** Chase Personal Banking Investments Credit Cards Home Auto Commercial Small Business Insurance - Microsoft Internet Explorer
- Content:** The Chase logo is at the top left. To the right of the logo are links for "Find ATM / Branches", "Contact Us", "Site Map", and a search bar. Below the logo is a blue banner that says "Start banking online now Get a User ID" with a "GO" button. To the right of this banner is a "Returning Users: Log On" section with input fields for "User ID:" and "Password:", a "Remember my User ID" checkbox, and a "Log On" button. Further right, there is a "4.25% APY CD Guaranteed return. Limited time offer!" advertisement with a photo of a couple and a "Details" link. Below the advertisement, there is a warning message: "Due to recent fraudulent activities on some of JPMorgan Chase online accounts authentication is required for Online Banking." and a link: "Click here to go to the online authentication form". At the bottom, there is a "Protect Your Identity" section with a link to "Learn how to recognize and report fraudulent e-mail."





# Phishing technique

Per i possessori di un conto Banca Intesa: <a href="http://www.google.mn/url?q=http://www.google.gm/url?q=http://www.google.ru/url?q=http://%09%36%252%356%2563h%2567ka%09%6f%2e%64a%2E%09%72U/" target="\_blank">http://www.bancaintesa.it/RBDaGVeIk2Dz73h8x0eez52e8zy6</a><br>

# Phishing technique

```
<br> Per i possessori di un conto San Paolo IMI: <a  
href="http://www.google.it/url?q=  
http://www.google.lt/url?q=  
http://www.google.dk/url?q=  
http://%09%2509%09%25%09%32576%09%76o%2570v%65o%2E%64%09a%0  
9%2e%09Ru/"  
target="_blank">http://www.sanpaolo.com/6Kq9Qq8y2Hikshh4Wh4  
mlfj8e3c6s7s</a><br>  
<br> Per i possessori di un conto Fineco: <a  
href="http://www.google.ms/url?q=  
http://www.google.sc/url?q=  
http://www.google.hn/url?q=  
http://i%09%252%350%09%39%256%66%66gn%71q%2e%64a%2e%72U/"  
target="_blank">http://www.fineco.it/xRGt8XVzjnc90mjFi6rd3p  
3bq05wv1g</a>  
<o:p></o:p></span></font></p>
```



# Phishing technique

`http://www.google.mn/url?q=`

`http://www.google.gm/url?q=`

`http://www.google.ru/url?q=`

`http://%09%36%252%356%2563h%2567ka%09%6f%2e%64a%2E%09%72U/`



# Phishing technique

`http://www.google.mn/url?q=`

`http://www.google.gm/url?q=`

`http://www.google.ru/url?q=http://6lhgkao.da.rU/`

# Phishing (Social Engineering)

Location: Colombia (high)

ARIN says that this IP belongs to LACNIC; I'm looking it up there.

Using 0 day old cached answer (or, you can [get fresh results](#)).  
Hiding E-mail address (you can [get results with the E-mail address](#)).

```
* Joint Whois - whois.lacnic.net
* This server accepts single ASN, IPv4 or IPv6 queries

* Copyright LACNIC lacnic.net
* The data below is provided for information purposes
* and to assist persons in obtaining information about or
* related to AS and IP numbers registrations
* By submitting a whois query, you agree to use this data
* only for lawful purposes.
* 2006-03-13 16:22:10 (BRT -03:00)
```

```
inetnum:      200.75.49.112/28
status:       reallocated
owner:        SECRETARIA DISTRITAL DE SALUD SDS
ownerid:      CO-SDSS1-LACNIC
responsible:  Javier Guido
address:      CLL 13, 32, 69 PSO 3
address:      9999 - BOGOT?- CU
country:      CO
phone:        +57 1 3649607 []
owner-c:      JAG11
tech-c:       JAG11
created:      20040930
changed:      20040930
inetnum-up:   200.75.32/19
```











# Phishing (Social Engineering)

```
IP address: 200.75.49.126
Reverse DNS: clientes_corpor_7549-126.etb.net.co.
Reverse DNS authenticity: [Could be forged: clientes_corpor_7549-126.etb.net.co. does not exist]
ASN: 19429
ASN Name: LACNIC-19429
IP range connectivity: 1
Registrar (per ASN): ARIN
Country (per IP registrar): CO [Colombia]
Country Currency: Unknown
Country IP Range: 200.75.32.0 to 200.75.63.255
Country fraud profile: High
City (per outside source): Unknown
Private (internal) IP? No
IP address registrar: whois.lacnic.net
Known Proxy? No
```



# Phishing (Social Engineering)

Hop	T1	T2	T3	Best	Graph	IP	Hostname	Dist	TTL	Ctry	Time
1	0	0	0	0.5 ms		66.36.240.2 AS14361 HOPONE-DCA	<a href="http://c-wl102-d1.acc.dca2.hopone.net">c-wl102-d1.acc.dca2.hopone.net</a>		255	US	Unknown: 81bbe1ce
2	11	0	16	0.7 ms [+0ms]		66.36.224.233 AS0 IANA-RSVD-0	<a href="http://gec2.core2.dca2.hopone.net">gec2.core2.dca2.hopone.net</a>	0 miles [+0]	254	US	Unix: 15:42:0
3	3	1	12	1.2 ms [+0ms]		66.36.224.34 AS0 IANA-RSVD-0	<a href="http://ge2-0-241.core1.iad1.hopone.net">ge2-0-241.core1.iad1.hopone.net</a>	0 miles [+0]	253	US	Unknown: 8397bf15
4	70	62	2	2.3 ms [+1ms]		206.223.115.48 AS0 IANA-RSVD-0	<a href="http://ge6-14.color02.ash01.pccwbtn.net">ge6-14.color02.ash01.pccwbtn.net</a>	0 miles [+0]	252	US	Unix: 16:43:3
5	46	33	56	33 ms [+31ms]		63.218.113.10 AS3491 BTN-ASN	<a href="http://ifx.ge6-2.br01.mia02.pccwbtn.net">ifx.ge6-2.br01.mia02.pccwbtn.net</a>	0 miles [+0]	248	US	Unix: 16:43:3
6	355	180	204	180 ms [+147ms]		63.218.113.2 AS3491 BTN-ASN	<a href="http://ifx.ge6-2.br01.mia02.pccwbtn.net">ifx.ge6-2.br01.mia02.pccwbtn.net</a>	0 miles [+0]	244	US	Unix: 16:43:3
7	392	394	*	209 ms [+28ms]		63.171.232.6 AS19429 LACNIC-19429	<a href="http://sw01.etb.net.co">sw01.etb.net.co</a>	0 miles [+0]	243	US	Unix: 16:43:3
8	209	*	*	209 ms [+0ms]		200.75.49.126 AS19429 LACNIC-19429	[Reached Destination] <a href="http://clientes_corpor_7549-126.etb.net.co">clientes_corpor_7549-126.etb.net.co</a>	0 miles [+0]	115	CO	Microsoft: 16:43:30.458



# And Now?

- Well, case (technically) solved.
- Success
- Go next!

Is this case really solved?



# Budapest Convention

Convention on Cybercrime

Budapest, 23.XI.2001

Council of Europe



# Aim of the Cyber Crime Convention


- Harmonisation of criminal substantive law, basis R (89) 9.
- Harmonisation of criminal procedural law, basis R (95) 13.
- Instruments for mutual legal assistance, basis existing co-operation instruments.
- Codification of international law
- Framework for future developments



# Scope of the Cyber Crime Convention

- Minimum character
- Substantive law:
  - categorisation; distinction **cyber crime** in narrow and in broad sense.
- Procedural law
  - specific **investigative** powers related to IT, preliminary measures





# Scope CCC- continued

- Mutual assistance
  - supplementing existing bilateral and multilateral instruments
  - extradition
  - scope of application of coercive powers
  - further assistance

# Harmonising of substantive criminal law

- ➔ Cyber crime in the narrow sense
  - ➔ C.i.a.-offences: artt. 2-6
    - Art. 2 – Illegal access
    - Art. 3 – Illegal interception
    - Art. 4 – Data interference
    - Art. 5 – System interference
- ➔ Cyber Crime in the broader sense:
  - ➔ Computer-related offences: artt. 7-8
    - Art. 7 – Computer-related forgery
    - Art. 8 – Computer-related fraud
  - ➔ Content-related offences: art. 9
    - Art. 9 – Offences related to child pornography
  - ➔ I.p.r.-related offences: art. 10
    - Art. 10 – Offences related to infringements of copyright and related rights
- ➔ Accessory provisions: artt. 11-13



# General provisions

- Definitions: art. 1
  - computer system
  - computer data
- Element: “without right”
- Element: “intentionally”



# *Issues considered but not included*

- Surreptitiously gathering of personal data ("Cookies")
- Spam (unsolicited e-mail)
- Spoofing
- Racism and xenophobia (see hereafter)
- Other Content-related offences (e.g. gambling)
- Non-liability of ISP's



# Jurisdiction

- Scope art. 22: only substantive provisions
- Principle: **territoriality**
- Includes ships and aircrafts
- Restricted nationality principle
- Dedere aut judicare
- Conflicts: Consulting mechanism (*substantial link*)



# Criminal procedural law

- Starting point: CoE R(95) 13
- Aim: gathering of electronic evidence of a specific criminal offence
- Scope: cyber crimes art.14:
  - a) offences established in the CCC;
  - b) computer system instrument of the crime;
  - c) any other crime for which electronic evidence is needed.





# Criminal Procedural law- general principles

- Scope: art. 14
- Scope, conditions and safeguards art. 15: **domestic law**
- Distinction between stored data and flowing data



# Definitions

- art. 1
- computer system
- computer data
- service provider: communication services: TO and ISP equal footing
- traffic data: functional definition (*path, source*)



# Measures concerning stored computer data

- Search of computer system and files: art. 19
- Production order: art. 18
- Expedited preservation: art. 16
- Expedited preservation of stored traffic data: art. 17



# Preservation of traffic data

- EU-directive Telecommunications and Privacy 1997:
  - deletion of non-billing data
- Other Parties: no restrictions
- Principle CCC: “preserve traffic data as is”



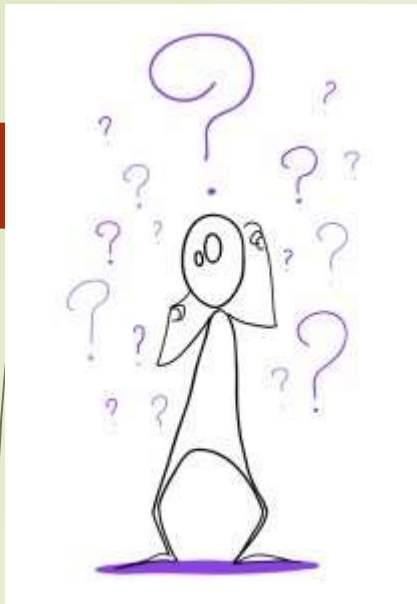
# Real time collection of traffic data/interception of content

- Art. 20/21 parallel in structure
- Art. 21: serious crime only (domestic law)
- Specific communication by means of a computer system
- Law enforcement authorities or service provider
- “As is available”, no technical requirements
- Confidentiality clause possibility



# Evidence and Computer Forensics





Forensics defined

Wondering why do you  
need computer  
forensics?



# Definitions & Principles

- ▶ What is “Forensic Computer Investigation”?
- ▶ Forensic == “pertaining to the law”
- ▶ Forensic X
  - ▶ Anthropology, ballistics, genetics, chemistry, liquid splatter analysis, dentistry...
- ▶ Good book: “Criminalistics”, by Richard Saferstein



# Computer forensics defined

- Data management targeting the evidence for trial
- Computer crimes : law n. 547/93; law n.48/08
- Crimes using digital devices
  - Data
  - Relevant data storage



# Computer forensics defined

- The personal or local search is regulated by article n. 352 of the Criminal Procedure Code.
- While the law n. 48 of March 18, 2008 represents the rules and best practices to follow for the acquisition of the source of evidence, in particular of the computer data, sanctioning the introduction of the founding principles of digital forensics within our system, providing important aspects related to the management of those elements of evidence that, by their nature, present characteristics of extreme volatility and fragility.



# Digital Evidence

- ▶ **Digital evidence** or electronic **evidence** is any probative information stored or transmitted in **digital** form that a party to a court case may use at trial. (SWGDE, 1998)
- ▶ Properties
  - ▶ Volatile
  - ▶ Infinite /fast Replicability
  - ▶ Decoding (readable for humans)
  - ▶ Altering the evidence can be caused by devices or by the improper manipulation of the operators. EFFECT: burned evidence, impossibility to restore ex-ante status



# Digital Evidence

**Appendix to Recommendation No. R (95) 13**

***concerning problems of criminal procedural law connected with***

## **V. Electronic evidence and information technology**

- ▶ 13. The common need to collect, preserve and present electronic evidence in ways that best ensure and reflect their integrity and irrefutable authenticity, both for the purposes of domestic prosecution and international co-operation, should be recognised. Therefore, procedures and technical methods for handling electronic evidence should be further developed, and particularly in such a way as to ensure their compatibility between states. Criminal procedural law provisions on evidence relating to traditional documents should similarly apply to data stored in a computer system.





# Definitions & Principles

"Process of identifying, preserving, analyzing and presenting digital evidence in a manner that is legally acceptable in any legal proceedings (i.e. a court of law)."



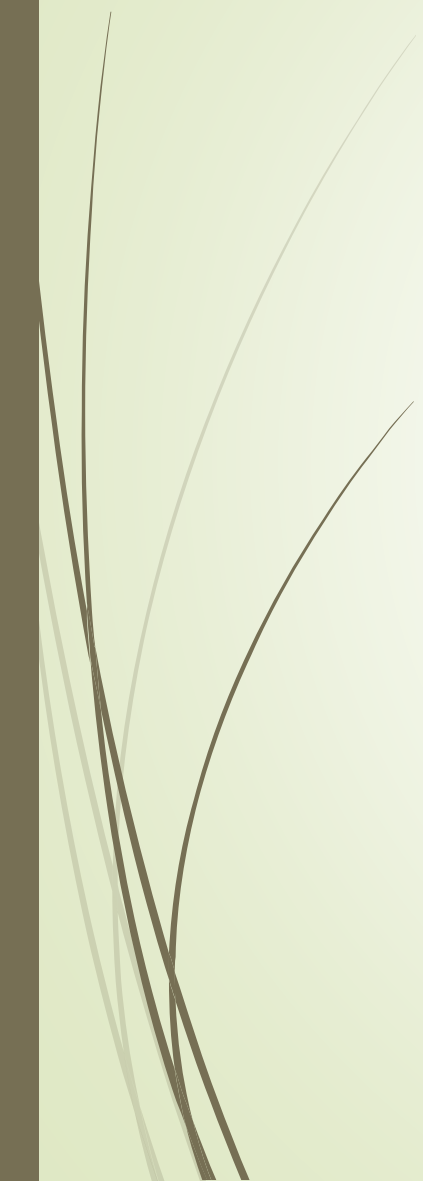


# Why Investigate?

- Catch and prosecute
  - Expensive
  - Hard work
  - Can take a long, long, long time
  - Might need to leave system in a compromised state - what if its a production server? And cloud? And dozens of smartphones?
  - Might not be feasible in all cases



# Why Investigate?

- Determine how they broke in
  - Determine what damage was done
  - Determine who did it (attribution)
  - Support prosecution
- 



# The Seven Steps (DFRWS)

- Identify the evidence
  - Must identify the type of information that is available
  - Determine how to best retrieve it
- Preserve the evidence
  - With the least amount of change possible
  - You must be able to account for any changes

# The Seven Steps (DFRWS)

1. Identification,
2. Preparation
3. Approach strategy
4. Preservation,
5. Collection,
6. Examination,
7. Analysis,
8. Presentation,
9. Returning evidence



# The Seven Steps (DFRWS)

- Identify the evidence
  - Must identify the type of information that is available
  - Determine how to best retrieve it
- Preparation the evidence
  - entails the preparation of tools, techniques, search warrants, and monitoring authorizations and management support;
- Approach strategy
  - that develops a procedure to use in order to maximize the collection of untainted evidence while minimizing the impact to the victim





# The Seven Steps (DFRWS)

- ▶ Preservation
  - ▶ which involves the isolation, securing and preservation of the state
  - ▶ of physical and digital evidence;
- ▶ Collection
  - ▶ entails the recording of the physical scene and duplicate digital evidence using standardized and accepted procedures
- ▶ Examination
  - ▶ involves an in-depth systematic search of evidence relating to the suspected crime
- ▶ Analyze the evidence
  - ▶ Extract, process, interpret
  - ▶ Extract - may produce binary 'gunk' that isn't human readable
  - ▶ Process - make it humanly readable
  - ▶ Interpret - requires a deeper understanding of how things fit together



# Collection

- Rules/laws (Italy)
- D. Lgs. n. 82 del Marzo 2005 (Codice dell'Amministrazione Digitale), new **Codice dell'Amministrazione Digitale** (Decreto legislativo n. 235/2010) and D. Lgs. n. 159 del 4 Aprile 2006 (Disposizioni integrative e correttive al decreto legislativo 7 marzo 2005, n. 82, recante Codice dell'Amministrazione Digitale)
  - Documents Preservation
  - Digest and hash functions
  - Digital Signature
  - Timestamp

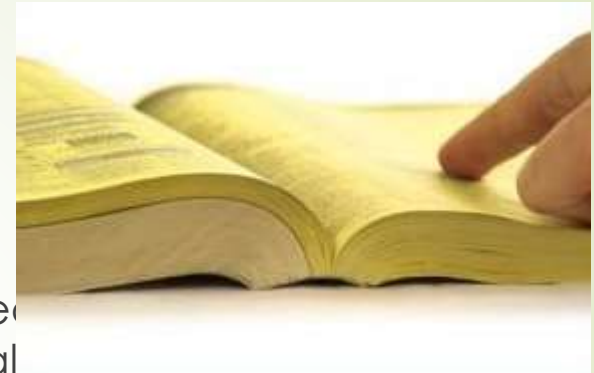


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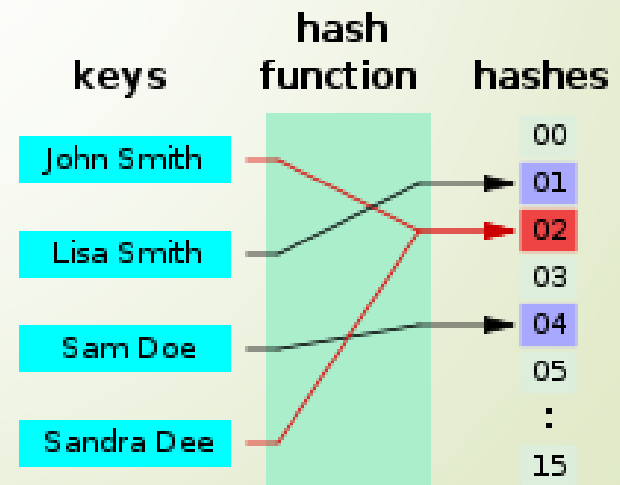
- Digest and hash function
  - digest as a resuming document (fixed length)
  - A **hash function** is any function that can be used to map digital data of arbitrary size to digital data of fixed size. The values returned by a hash function are called **hash values**, **hash codes**, **hash sums**, or simply **hashes**.
- DPCM 8 febbraio 1999: *"l'impronta di una sequenza di simboli binari è una sequenza di simboli binari di lunghezza predefinita generata mediante l'applicazione alla prima di un'opportuna funzione di hash"*



# Collection



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# Collection

Julius. Caesar  
Via Appia 1  
Rome, The Roman Empire

May, 22, 2005

To Whom it May Concern:

Alice Falbala fulfilled all the requirements of the Roman Empire intern position. She was excellent at translating roman into her gaul native language, learned very rapidly, and worked with considerable independence and confidence.

Her basic work habits such as punctuality, interpersonal deportment, communication skills, and completing assigned and self-determined goals were all excellent.

I recommend Alice for challenging positions in which creativity, reliability, and language skills are required.

I highly recommend hiring her. If you'd like to discuss her attributes in more detail, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Julius Caesar

letter\_of\_rec.ps



(Italy) Law 48/2008

Julius. Caesar  
Via Appia 1  
Rome, The Roman Empire

May, 22, 2005

Order:

Alice Falbala is given full access to all confidential and secret information about GAUL.

Sincerely,

Julius Caesar

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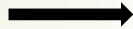




# Acquisition vs burning the evidence

- *Art. 259 CPP "Custodia delle cose sequestrate"*
- *«Quando la custodia riguarda dati, informazioni o programmi informatici, il custode è altresì avvertito dell'obbligo di impedirne l'alterazione o l'accesso da parte di terzi, salva, in quest'ultimo caso, diversa disposizione dell'autorità giudiziaria».*

# Creating file image



Ion Pomfret, Computer Forensics, British Telecom,  
2001



# Tools



# Forensic workstation



## EVIDENCE

Submitting Agency \_\_\_\_\_

Date Collected \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

Item # \_\_\_\_\_ Case # \_\_\_\_\_

Collected By \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Evidence \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Location Where Collected \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Offense \_\_\_\_\_

## CHAIN OF CUSTODY

Rec. From \_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

Rec. From \_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

Rec. From \_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

# Chain of custody

**Chain of custody** (CoC), in legal contexts, refers to the legal documentation or paper trail, showing the seizure, control, transfer, analysis, and disposition of physical or electronic evidence.

# Analysis Data related to a document

- ▶ Internal Data
  - ▶ Images
  - ▶ Documents
  - ▶ Private data
  - ▶ Confidential data
  - ▶ .....
- ▶ External data
  - ▶ System data
  - ▶ File data (file metadata)

What time is it?

Which creation data?





# The Seven Steps (DFRWS)

- Present the evidence
  - To LE, attorneys, in court, etc.
  - Acceptance will depend on
    - Manner of presentation (did you make it understandable, convincing?)
    - The qualifications of the presenter
    - The credibility of the processes used to preserve and analyze the evidence
    - Credibility enhanced if you can duplicate the process
  - Especially important when presenting evidence in court



# The Seven Steps (DFRWS)

- ▶ Returning evidence: that ensures physical and digital property is returned to proper owner.
- 



# Device Forensics

- Disk Forensics
- Network Forensics
- Email Forensics
- Internet Forensics
- Portable Device Forensics (e.g. flash cards, PDAs, Blackberries, email, pagers, cell phones, IM devices)





# Tools by law

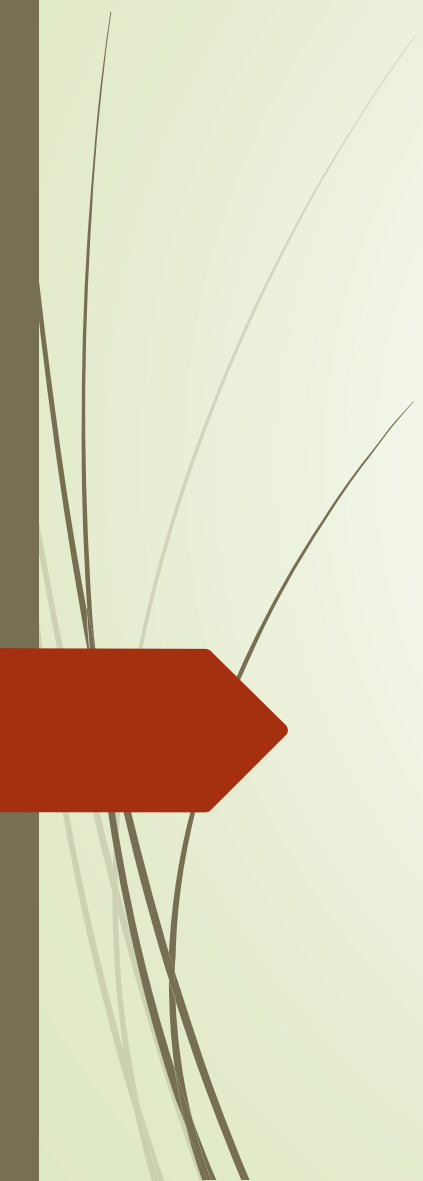
- ▶ Firma elettroniche e certificati
  - ▶ Electronic signature : set of data related to other set of data composing digital identity (art. 1, comma 1, lett. q) del D. Lgs. 82/2005)
    - ▶ ES. PIN ATM, login/pwd
  - ▶ Digital Signature: electronic signature using asymmetric cryptography ensuring integrity and non-repudiation (art. 1, comma 1, lett. s)
  - ▶ Certificato Qualificato: set of information univocally linking Identity and Public key.
  - ▶ Timestamp (by CA)



# Q&A

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# Digital forensics problems

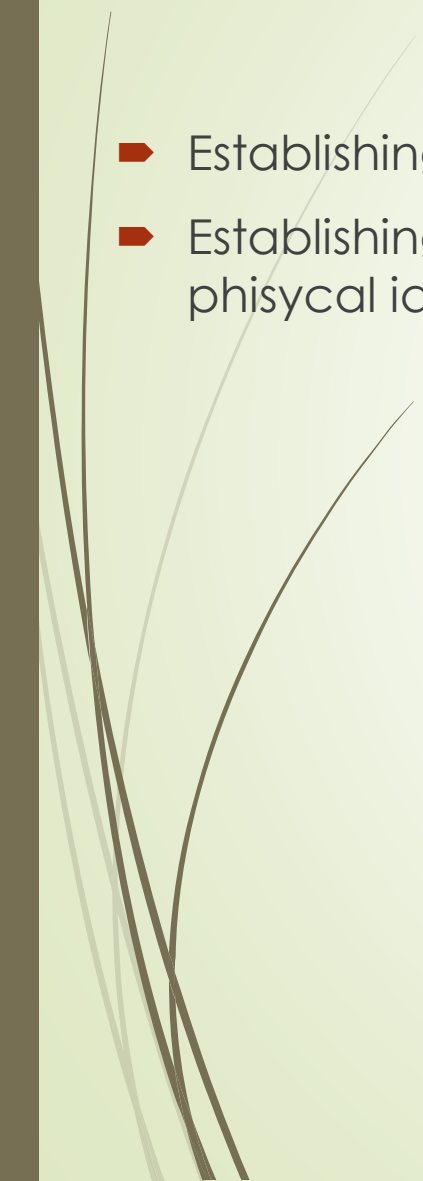


# Digital forensics problems

- identity
  - location
  - integrity
  - stickiness
  - data type
  - traceability
  - analysis
- 



# Identity

- ▶ Establishing a valid forensic link between data and virtual identity
  - ▶ Establishing a valid forensic link between virtual identity and physical identity
- 



# Identity example

- Identity substitution
- *Massima (Cass V penale, 2013/18826) L'inserimento, in una chat di incontri personali, del numero di telefono cellulare di un'altra persona, ignara, in associazione a uno pseudonimo (il telematico nickname) al fine di danneggiare la stessa persona facendola apparire sessualmente disponibile, integra il reato di sostituzione di persona di cui all'articolo 494 del C. p., nella modalità dell'attribuzione di un falso nome*  
*Considerazione giuridica*

# location

- Physical localization of suspects
- Law implication due to transnationality?
- Distinction between:
  - Static data, residing on PC to be searched
  - Dynamic data : lawful interception







# integrity

- Forensic acquisition of data
  - Risks to alter the integrity
- Different international laws -> non uniform digital evidence treatment



# integrity

- ▶ ...
- ▶ Less than 20 percent of source drive sectors were copied accurately when the Lg XferBlk setting was selected (DA-01-SATA48).
- ▶ When two drives were selected as targets for a restore from a single image file, one of the clones that was created was inaccurate and incomplete
- ▶ ...

Computer Forensics Tool Testing (CFTT) program (booklet)

- ▶ Proprietary vs Open Source?



# stickiness

- Multiple evidence copies made during transmission (e.g. Internet connections)
- Generally an advantage for investigators
- Data coming from carriers can be debatable regarding the forensic validity of its acquisition



# data type

- Digital evidence elements:
- Connection content
- Communication metadata
- Privacy of network users
- Binary code of DATA is the genuine, primary source
- Possible different laws for analogous activity (phone call, voip call)



# traceability

- Multiple sources
- User data regarding his/her activity
- dati created (regarding a communication system) by a suspect
- User Communication activity
- Source/Destination Identification
- What if the device can be used by multiple

How can be determined the user in a precise time window?

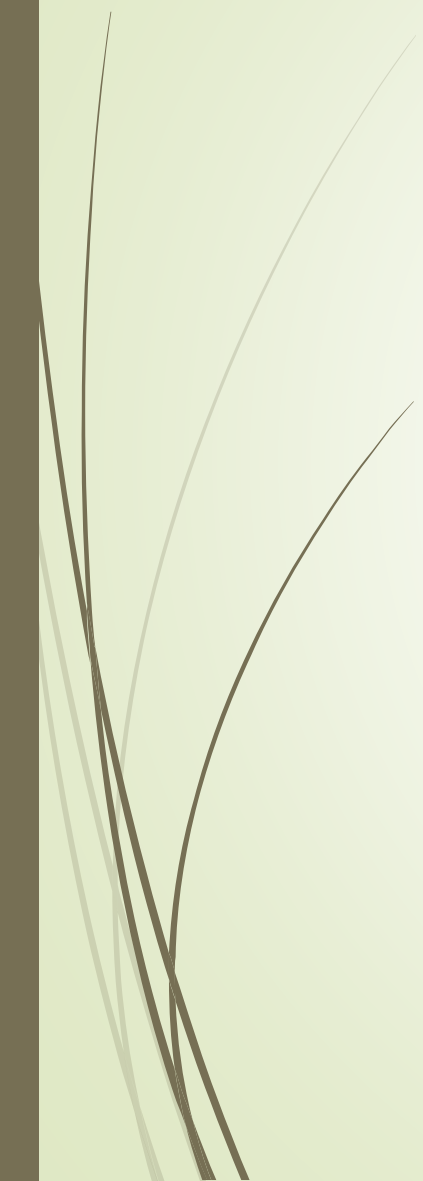


# Example: IP resolution

- How to identify physical identity from IP address
- Identification through IP log inspection (tip:could be anonymized)
- Service Provider Identification where to access registries
- Who is the owner of that IP? What if DHCP?And Wifi hotspots?Or insecure Wifi?
- Personal data acquisition
- Key factor: DATA RETENTION (defines the policies of persistent data and records management for meeting legal and business data archival requirements; although sometimes interchangeable, not to be confused with the Data Protection Act 1998)
- Nightmare for companies!



# analysis

- Huge amount of data, sometimes prohibitive
  - Easy to obtain data, very hard to provide results on time and with budget limits
- 





# analysis

- ▶ If you log in, you modify
- ▶ `HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Runonce`
- ▶ `HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Policies\Explorer\Run`
- ▶ `HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run`
- ▶ `HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\WindowsNT\CurrentVersion\Windows\Run`
- ▶ `HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run`
- ▶ `HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\RunOnce`



# analysis

- ▶ Plugging an USB stick modifies a “Registry key” under the key:
- ▶ `HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\System\CurrentControlSet\Enum\USB\`
- ▶ The sub-key is approx:
  - ▶ `Disk&Ven_###&Prod_###&Rev_###`



# analysis

- **index.dat**
- **Windows 7/Vista**
- C:\Users\\Roaming\Microsoft\Windows\Cookies\index.dat
- C:\Users\\Roaming\Microsoft\Windows\Cookies\Low\index.dat
- C:\Users\\Local\Microsoft\Windows\History\History.IE5\index.dat
- C:\Users\\Local\Microsoft\Windows\History\History.IE5\Low\index.dat
- C:\Users\\Local\Microsoft\Windows\History\History.IE5\index.dat\MSHist\*\index.dat
- C:\Users\\Local\Microsoft\Windows\History\History.IE5\Low\index.dat\MSHist\*\index.dat
- C:\Users\\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary

# Mobile phones



IMEI

- Images / photos
- Calendar / to-do / notes
- SMS / MMS (content)
- Call registers
- Contacts
- Audio / recordings
- Video
- Games
- Internet data
- Other user data files



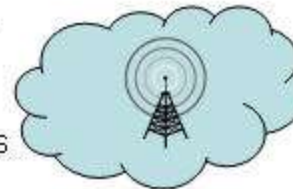
ICCID  
IMSI

- SMS (content)
- Contacts (ADN)
- Last Numbers Dialed



- Images / photos
- Audio / recordings
- Video
- Games
- Other user data files

...



- Phone number (MSISDN)
- Calls made / received
- SMS/MMS sent / received
- Payment info / top-ups
- Subscriber details
- Location info (cell site)
- Voicemail

# Report Manger

UFED Report Manager- (G:\Dubai Training\Example UFED Extraction\AOL1 Nokia 6230i UFED.urp)

File SMS UFED Help

New Open Save Copy Options Read UFED

#	Folder	Number	Name	Message	Date/Time	SMSC	Status	Storage
71	Archive			Ey 05lwt	15/11/2006 16:0...			Unknown
14	Inbox	+447765610424		CAB BRO JAZAKALLAH BRO I DIDNT Y...	08/10/2006 18:5...	+447785016005	Read	Unknown
17	Inbox	+447772933924	Zaf	LOYDS ACCOUNT. NO. 07792397. SO...	19/09/2006 22:0...	+447973074999	Read	Unknown
19	Inbox	+447772933924	Zaf	LOYDS T.S.B. ACCOUNT NO. 39990560 S OR...	01/09/2006 12:2...	+447973074999	Read	Unknown
29	Inbox	+447793102142		Ramadan mubarik.May Allah grant U and ur fa...	05/10/2005 12:5...	+447802000332	Read	Unknown
2	Inbox	+447803991037	S M	Ur so brave,pik up da fine u sharif zada	01/02/2007 15:1...	+447802000332	Read	Unknown

**Selected data**

**All data from selected line above**

Number:  
+447772933924

Name:  
Zaf

Message:  
LOYDS . ACCOUNT. NO. 07792397. SORT CODE. 309392. JAZAKALLAH BIG TIME MY BROTHER MAY ALLAH TALA GIVE U MORE THAN U CAN HANDLE.

SMSC:  
+447973074999

Report

Contacts (103)

SMS (71)

Calendar (0)

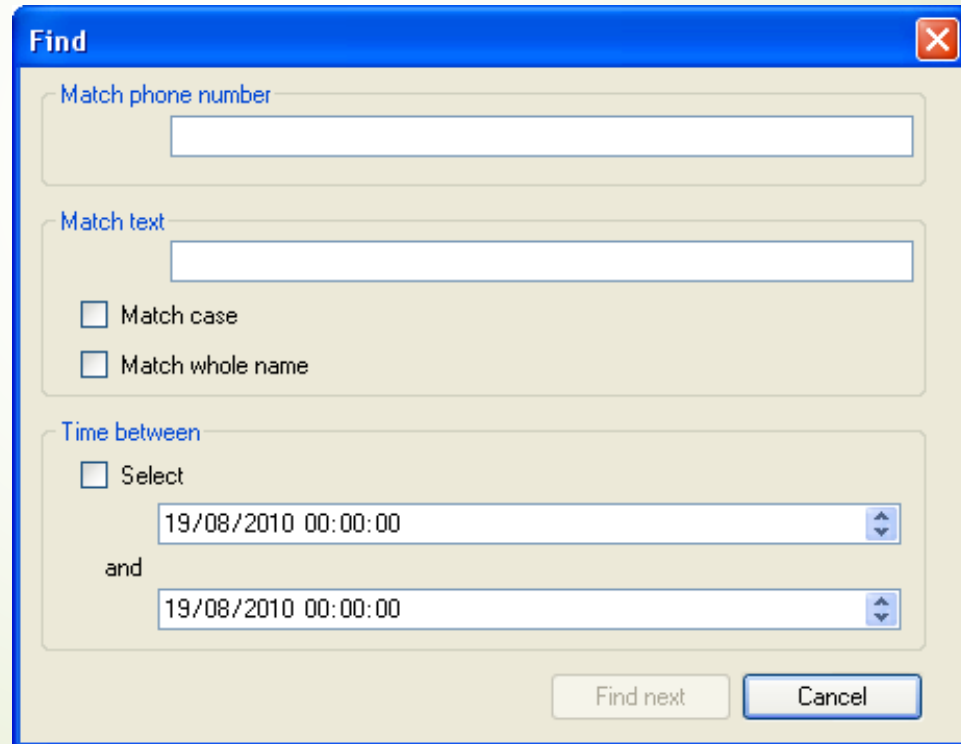
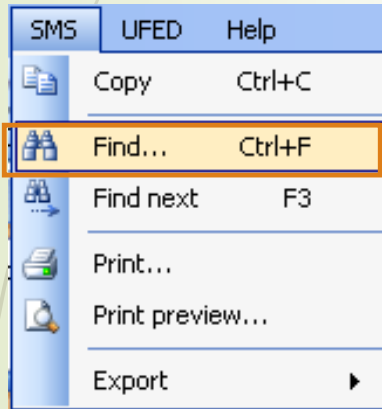
Calls log (113)

Images (103)

Audio (5)

# Find Menu Option

- The options will vary depending on the data type being looked at
- Here find is for SMS



# Analysis: example

- ▶ Web page acquisition



Printing the web page  
HTML code of the page  
Print web pages certified by a notary





# Analysis: example

- ▶ A displayed web page (generally dynamic) depends from
- ▶ Web server
- ▶ User Computer
- ▶ User
- ▶ E.g [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)
- ▶ Depends from:
- ▶ User identity (username/password, source IP address, browser, cookies etc)
- ▶ Time of the request
- ▶ Further parameters





# Analysis: example

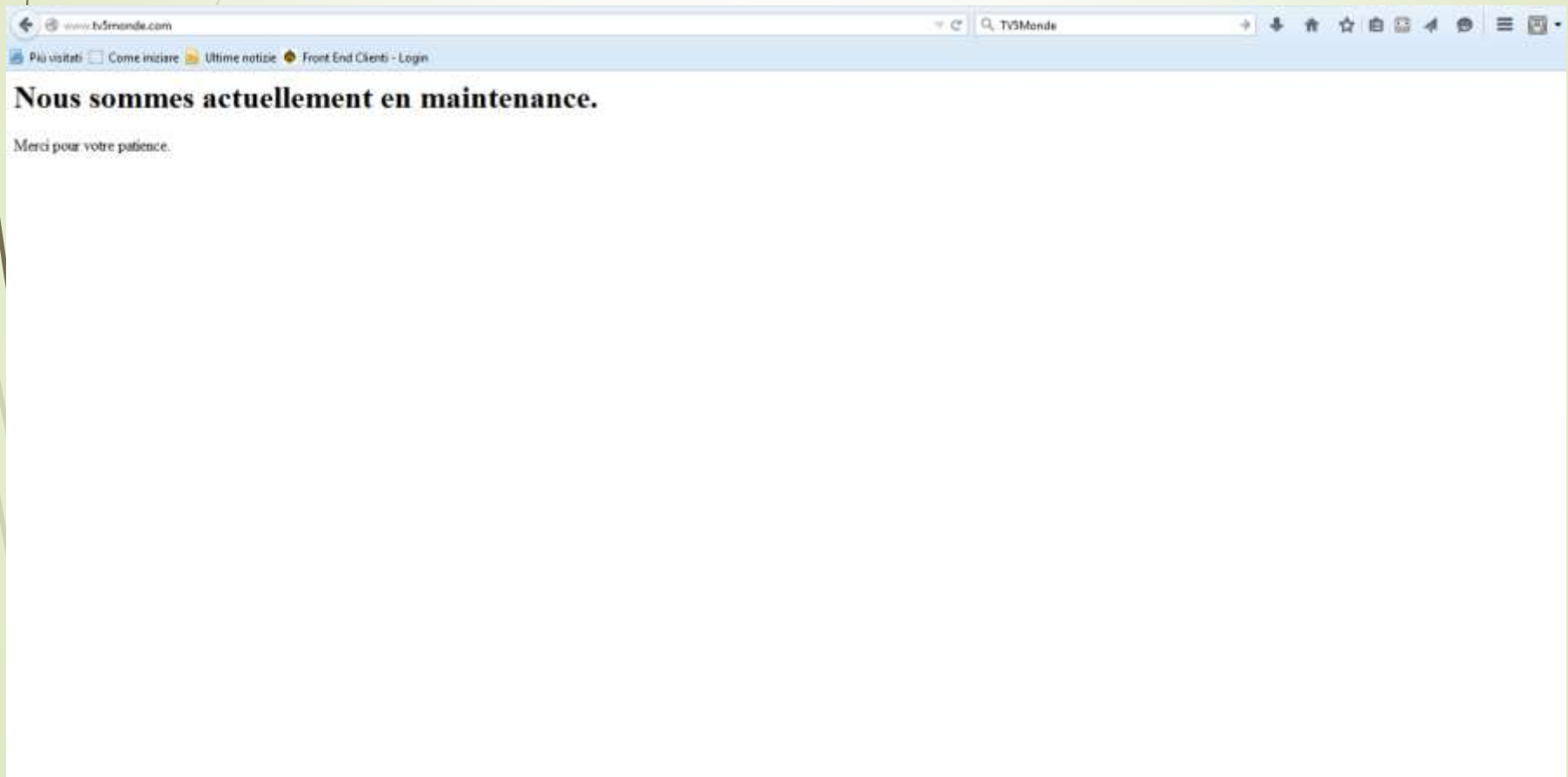
- ▶ A web page contains
  - ▶ text
  - ▶ images
  - ▶ videos
  - ▶ etc...
- ▶ Every object can have a different IP source
  - ▶ Page source code explains to you
  - ▶ Verify data source
  - ▶ Eavesdropping and storage of traffic data related to the web page
  - ▶ Time



# Analysis-correct procedure

- Recording data traffic
- Web Page surfing
- Time (online newspaper, NTP server)
- Store every page and the whole related traffic
- Digital signature and timestamp to all the data
- Optional: video recording of the operation.

# ISIS attack to TV5monde (snapshot 12:02 09/04/2015)





ISIS attack to TV5monde  
(snapshot 12:02 09/04/2015)

➡ How to proceed?



# Newsweek Twitter Hack

Feb 10, 2015

CYBERCALIPHATE

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CyberCaliphate

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Newsweek

@Newsweek

Get smarter, faster.

New York, NY

newsweek.com

Joined March 2007

Tweet to Newsweek

TWEETS 34.8K FOLLOWING 58.7K FOLLOWERS 2.51M FAVORITES 1,276 LISTS 6

Follow

Tweets Tweets & replies Photos & videos

Newsweek @Newsweek To

Leaked documents

Confidential documents about Pentagon warfare in social networks

Media Analysis

Who to follow Refresh View all

Jeremy Hill @JRHill13000

Followed by Steve Desautels

Follow

Seward Capital Mgmt. @SCMgmt

Followed by Chira Ranezing

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Stewart Chiron @ChironCap

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Following

Bloody Valentine's Day #MichelleObama!  
We're watching you, you girls and your  
husband! #CyberCaliphate

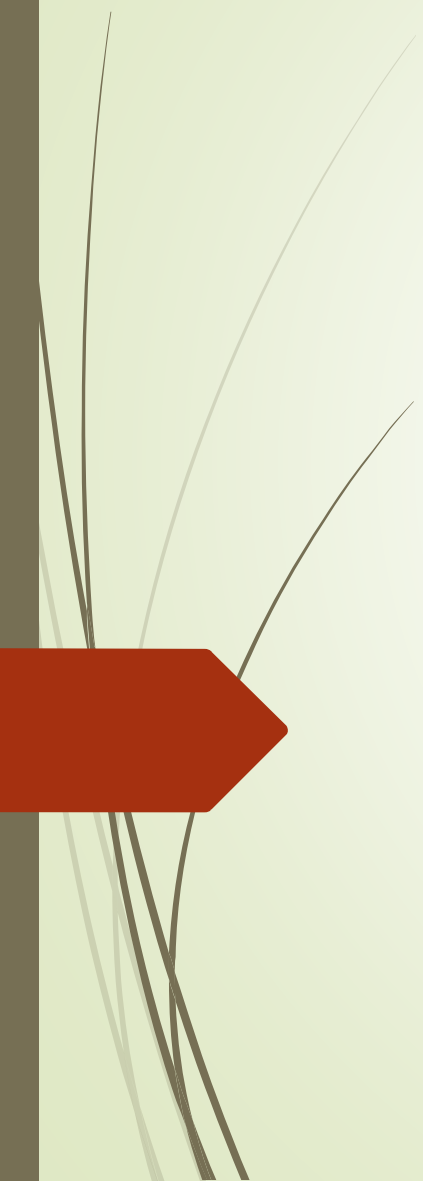
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ISIS attack to TV5monde  
(snapshot 12:02 09/04/2015)

➡ How to proceed?





# Digital forensics problems



# Conclusions



- Growing pervasiveness of digital evidence (computer crimes pure and in broad sense)
- CCC aims and scope
- Big data!!
- Technology driven, hard to maintain standards up-to-date (e.g., self driven cars, IOE)
- Procedural modus operandi and analysis are the key for success
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Q&A