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# DUDE, WHERE IS MY LAPTOP?

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# TALK OBJECTIVES

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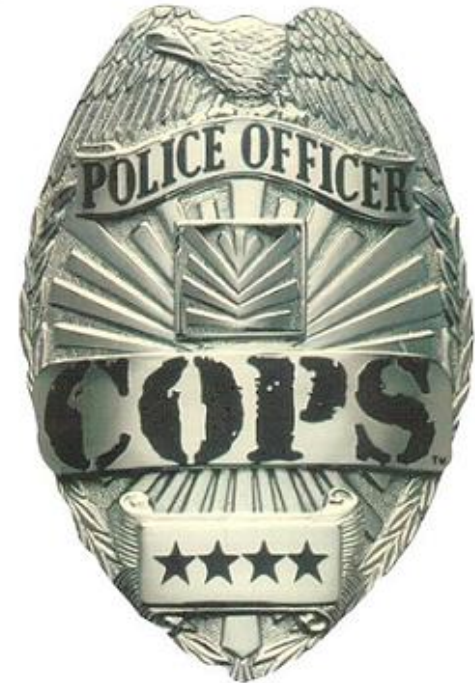
- Examination of Anti-Theft products
- In a mobile world are we safe?
- If stolen, what can they do?

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# AGENDA

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- 1. Overview**
- 2. Issues & Weaknesses**
- 3. Vulnerabilities & Attacks**
- 4. Conclusions**

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# 1. Overview

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# 1. TERMINOLOGY NIGHTMARE: NO ESCAPE!

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- BYOx Family
  - **BYOD:** Bring **Y**our **O**wn **D**evice
  - **BYOT:** Bring **Y**our **O**wn **T**echnology
  - **BYOP:** Bring **Y**our **O**wn **P**hone
  - **BYOPC:** Bring **Y**our **O**wn **P**C
- Mxx Family
  - **MDM:** Mobile **D**evice **M**anagement
  - **MAM:** Mobile **A**pplication **M**anagement
  - **MDP:** Mobile **D**ata **P**rotection
  - **MDS:** Mobile **D**ata **S**ecurity

# 1. PHONES & LAPTOPS CONTAIN YOUR LIFE

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- Emails
- Contacts
- Photos
- Social Networks
- Bank Accounts
- Password Managers
- Access to corporate / internal servers
- Apps
- You name it...





# 1. LOST & STOLEN STATISTICS

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- “10,000 mobiles phones stolen per month in London” (that’s 314 phones per day)  
London Metropolitan Police (2013)
- “Lost and stolen cellphones could cost U.S. consumers more than \$30 billion this year”  
Lookout (2012)
- “Laptop theft totaled more than \$3.5 million dollars in 2005”  
FBI
- FBI statistics reveal that 221,009 laptops were reported stolen in 2008 and 2009
- 67,000 phones likely to be lost or stolen during London Olympics  
<http://www.venafi.com/67000-phones-likely-to-be-lost-or-stolen-during-london-olympics/>

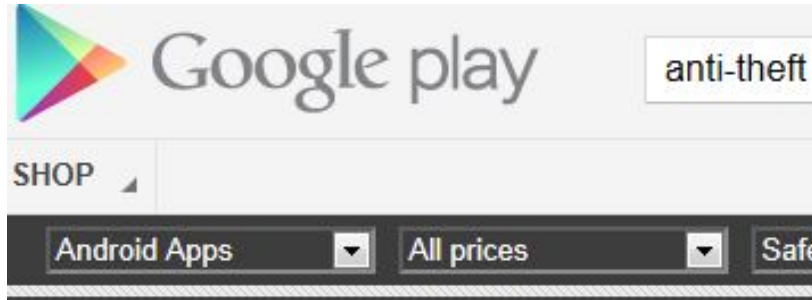
# 1. ANTI-THEFT FEATURES

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- Encrypt & protect information
- Remote Wipe files, directory or system
- Lock screen
- Sound alarm & alert window
- Sent info to C&C:
  - Screenshot
  - Webcam photo
  - Wireless (Access Point) name
  - GPS location
  - IP
- Claim to:
  - Offer strong security
  - Help recovering device



# 1. SEA OF ANTI-THEFT: PRODUCTS BY NUMBERS



Android Apps At least 1000 results



- Antivirus houses have also joined the party...

# 1. ANTI-THEFT CLAIMS: JUST RELAX

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**Rest safe.**

**Lose it. Track it. Find It!**

What we do  
**We Simplify  
Enterprise  
Mobility**

**THE SECURE  
WORKSPACE**

**Find your laptop, see who's using it,  
even what they're wearing!**

**ANTI-THEFT**

Keep your device safe & your safer

**VULNEX**

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## **2. Issues & Weaknesses**

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## 2. PREVIOUS WORK ON THE SUBJECT

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- “Deactivate the Rootkit”

Alfredo Ortega & Anibal Sacco

<http://www.blackhat.com/presentations/bh-usa-09/ORTEGA/BHUSA09-Ortega-DeactivateRootkit-SLIDES.pdf>

- Issues

- Huge privacy risk (bad/no authentication)
- Anyone could activate it with enough privileges
- Anyone can change the configuration
- Anyone can de-activate it (at least in certain known cases)
- Whitelisted by AV (potentially undetectable)

## 2. LACK OF THREAT MODELING (TM)

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- How data is protected (Rest / Transit)?
- If stolen can Anti-Theft really:
  - Can data really be wiped?
  - Can device be recovered?
  - Can tampering be detected and stopped ?
  - How resilient are we?
- No understanding of the threats
- ***Because...***



## 2. NOT ALL THIEVES ARE SO SEXY...

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## 2. THIEF TACTICS

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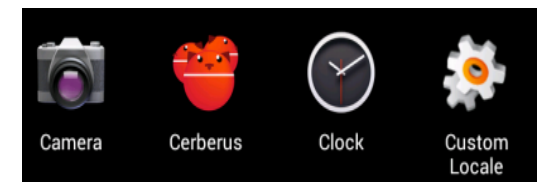
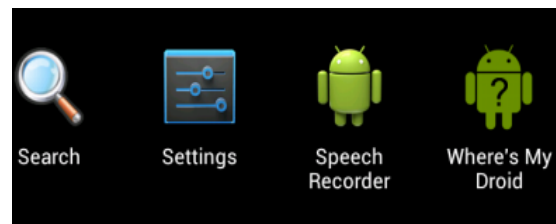
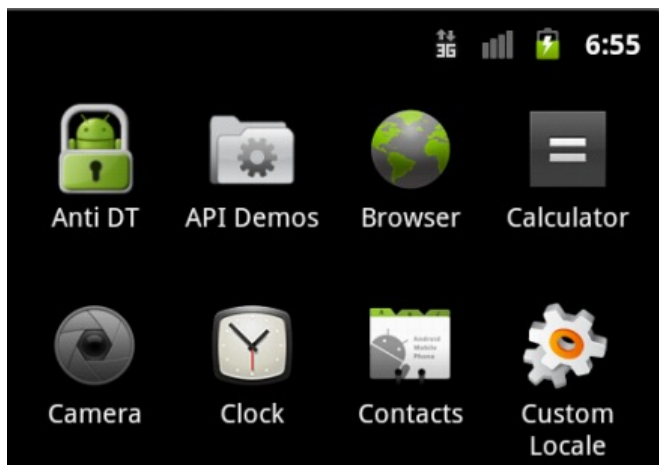
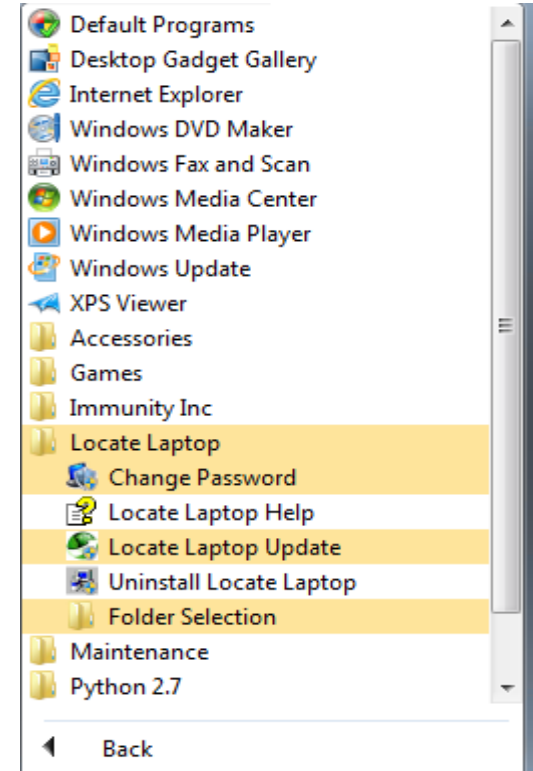
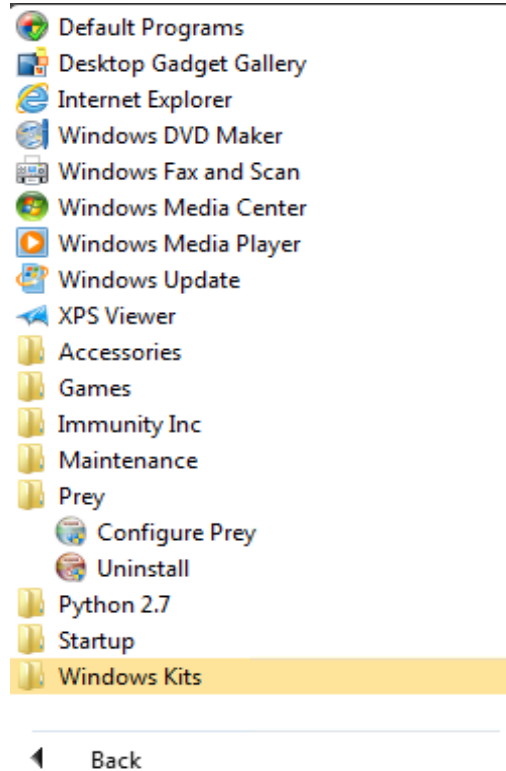
- Network Analysis & Attacks
- System Analysis & Attacks
- Reverse Engineering Apps
  - Android
  - iOS
  - Windows
  - MacOS

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# **3. Vulnerabilities & Attacks**

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# 4. HIDE IN PLAIN SIGHT... RIGHT!



# 3. ALL KIND OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE

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Thief: snooping the network

Person Names

Passwords

Emails

GPS coordinates

OS version

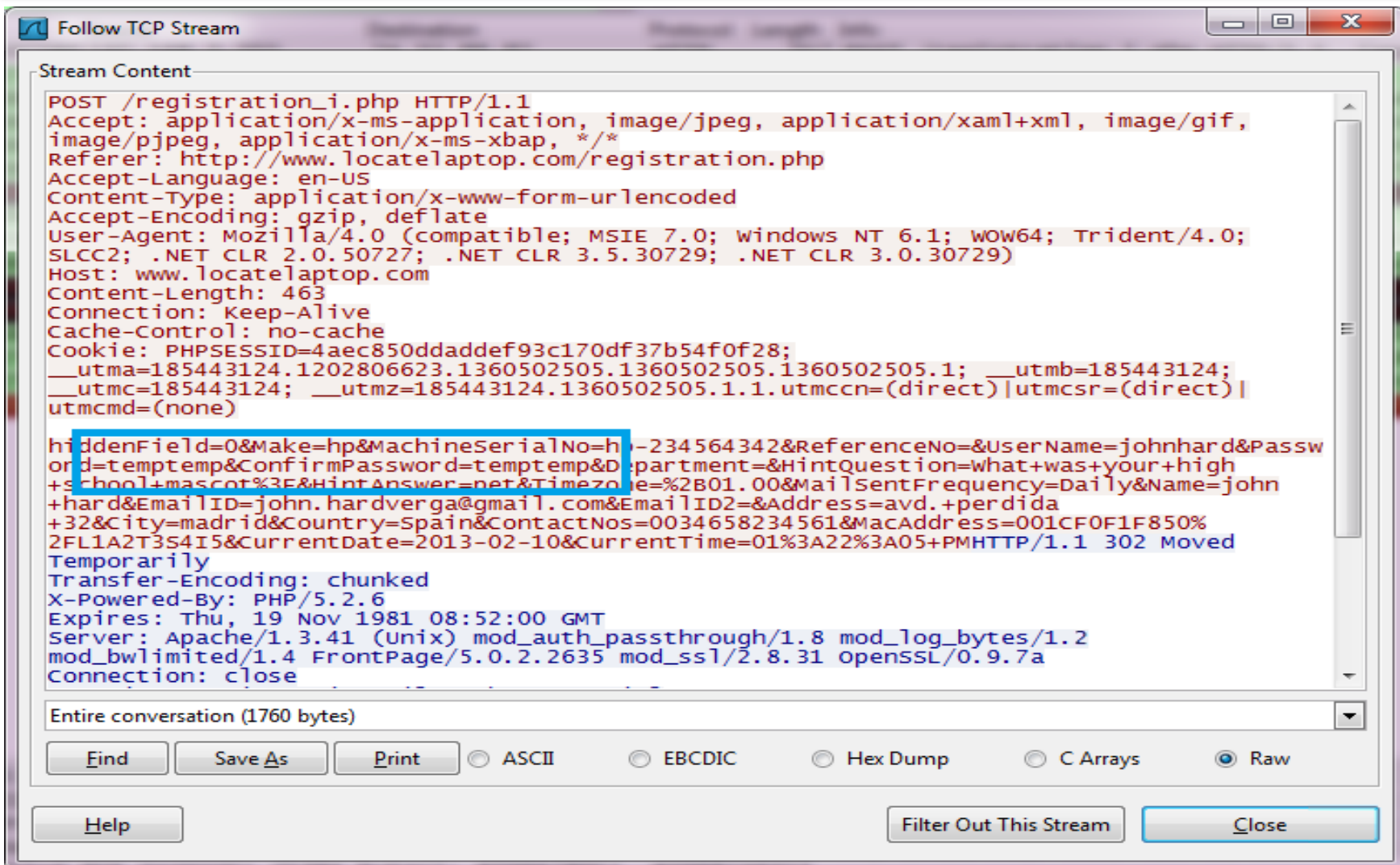
Phone Numbers

Device ID

Application Internals



# 3. CLEAR TEXT SECRETS (IN TRANSIT): LOCATEMYLAPTOP (WINDOWS)



Follow TCP Stream

Stream Content

```
POST /registration_i.php HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/x-ms-application, image/jpeg, application/xaml+xml, image/gif,
image/pjpeg, application/x-ms-xbap, */*
Referer: http://www.locatelaptop.com/registration.php
Accept-Language: en-US
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
User-Agent: Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 7.0; windows NT 6.1; WOW64; Trident/4.0;
SLCC2; .NET CLR 2.0.50727; .NET CLR 3.5.30729; .NET CLR 3.0.30729)
Host: www.locatelaptop.com
Content-Length: 463
Connection: Keep-Alive
Cache-Control: no-cache
Cookie: PHPSESSID=4aec850ddaddef93c170df37b54f0f28;
__utma=185443124.1202806623.1360502505.1360502505.1360502505.1; __utmb=185443124;
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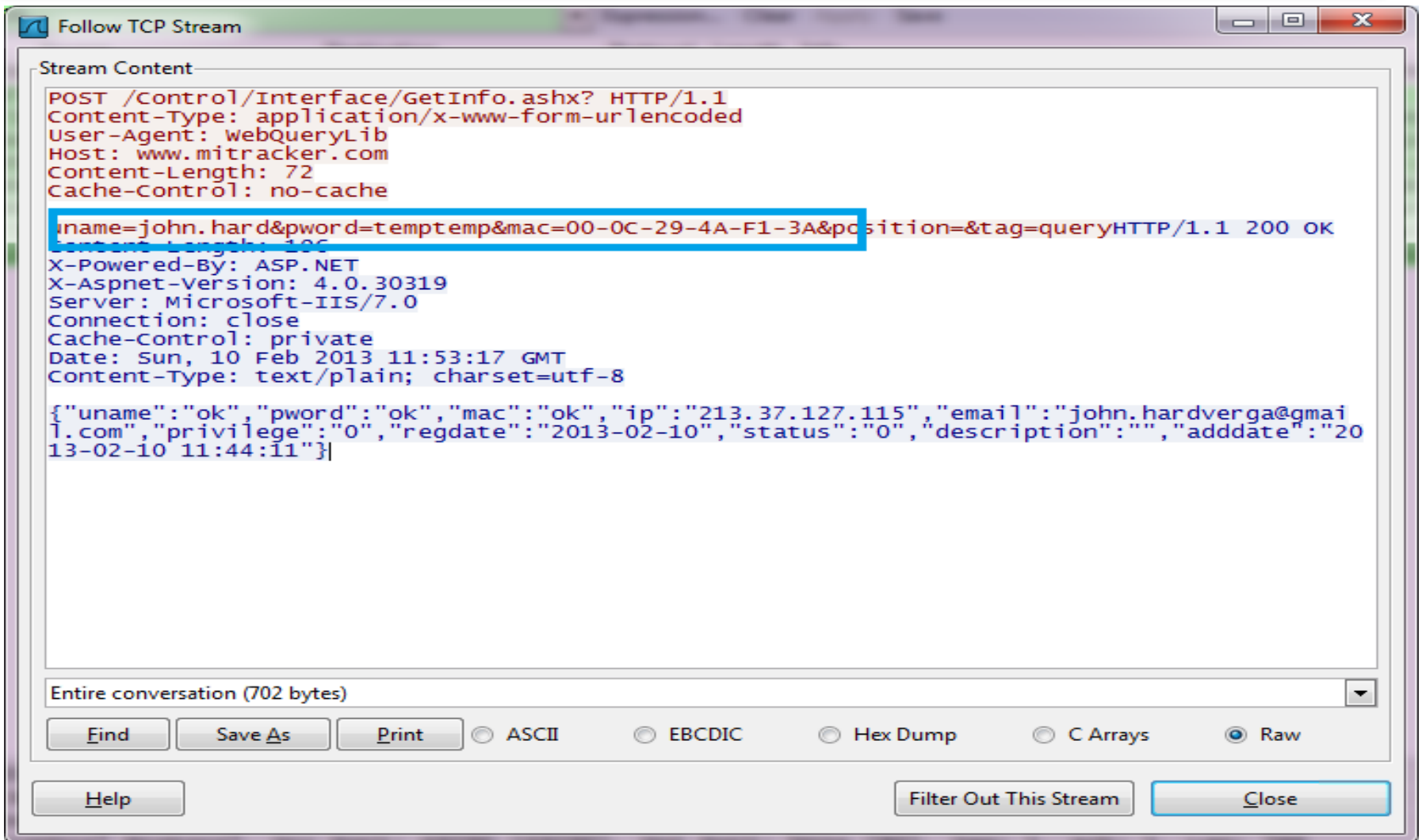
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+hard&emailID=john.hardverga@gmail.com&emailID2=&address=avd.+perdida
+32&city=madrid&country=Spain&contactNos=0034658234561&macAddress=001CF0F1F850%
2FL1A2T354I5&currentDate=2013-02-10&currentTime=01%3A22%3A05+PMHTTP/1.1 302 Moved
Temporarily
Transfer-Encoding: chunked
X-Powered-By: PHP/5.2.6
Expires: Thu, 19 Nov 1981 08:52:00 GMT
Server: Apache/1.3.41 (Unix) mod_auth_passthrough/1.8 mod_log_bytes/1.2
mod_bwlimited/1.4 FrontPage/5.0.2.2635 mod_ssl/2.8.31 OpenSSL/0.9.7a
Connection: close
```

Entire conversation (1760 bytes)

Find Save As Print  ASCII  EBCDIC  Hex Dump  C Arrays  Raw

Help Filter Out This Stream Close

# 3. CLEAR TEXT SECRETS (IN TRANSIT): MITRACKER (WINDOWS)



The screenshot shows a 'Follow TCP Stream' window with the following content:

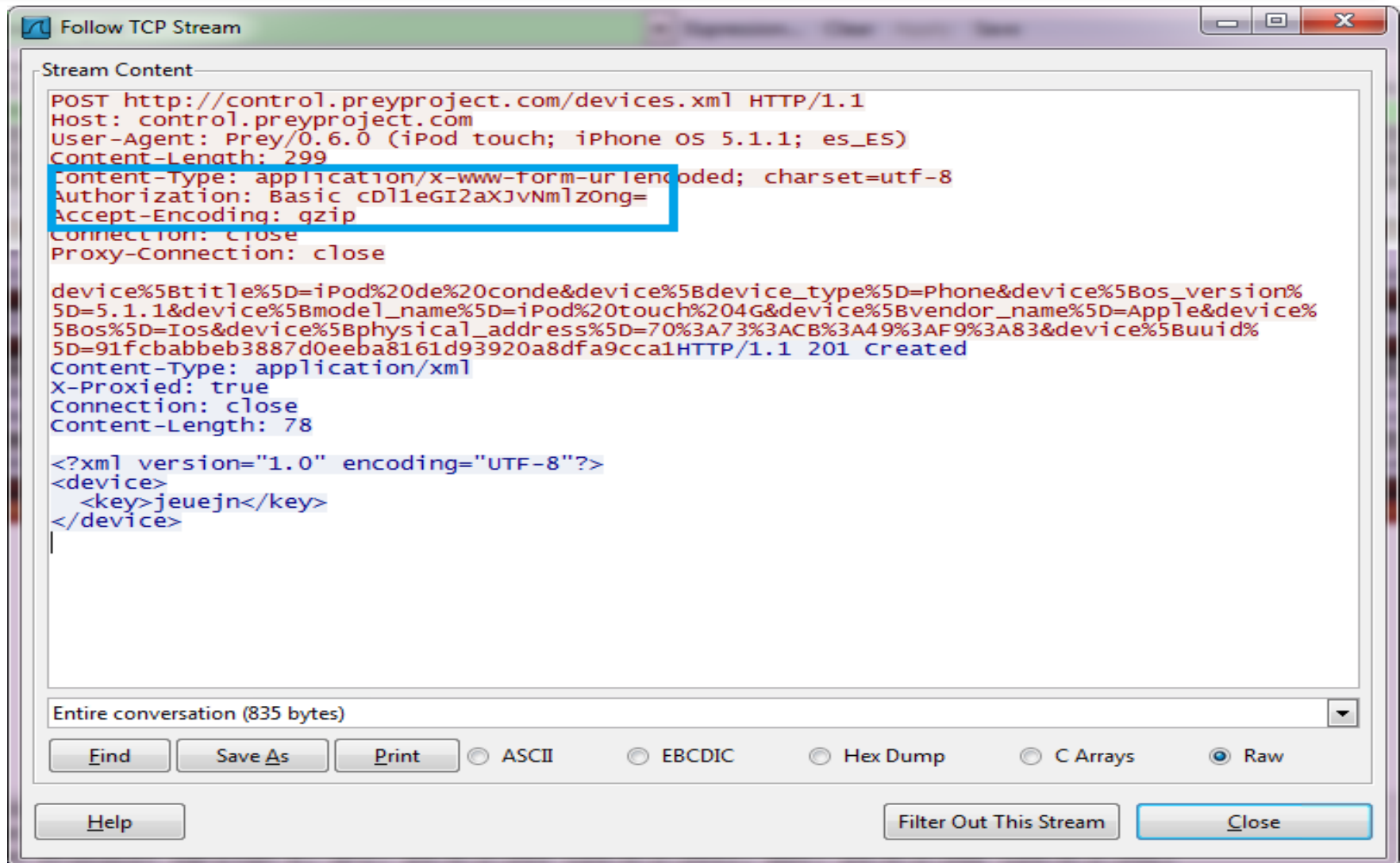
```
Stream Content
POST /Control/Interface/GetInfo.ashx? HTTP/1.1
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
User-Agent: webQueryLib
Host: www.mitracker.com
Content-Length: 72
Cache-Control: no-cache

uname=john.hard&pwd=temptemp&mac=00-0C-29-4A-F1-3A&position=&tag=queryHTTP/1.1 200 OK
Content-Length: 106
X-Powered-By: ASP.NET
X-AspNet-Version: 4.0.30319
Server: Microsoft-IIS/7.0
Connection: close
Cache-Control: private
Date: Sun, 10 Feb 2013 11:53:17 GMT
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=utf-8

{"uname":"ok","pwd":"ok","mac":"ok","ip":"213.37.127.115","email":"john.hardverga@gmail.com","privilege":"0","regdate":"2013-02-10","status":"0","description":"","adddate":"2013-02-10 11:44:11"}

Entire conversation (702 bytes)
Find Save As Print ASCII EBCDIC Hex Dump C Arrays Raw
Help Filter Out This Stream Close
```

# 3. CLEAR TEXT SECRETS (IN TRANSIT): PREY (IOS)



The screenshot shows a 'Follow TCP Stream' window with the following content:

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Stream Content
POST http://control.preyproject.com/devices.xml HTTP/1.1
Host: control.preyproject.com
User-Agent: Prey/0.6.0 (iPod touch; iPhone OS 5.1.1; es_ES)
Content-Length: 299
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded; charset=utf-8
Authorization: Basic cd11eGI2aXJvNmIzOng=
Accept-Encoding: gzip
Connection: close
Proxy-Connection: close

device%5Btitle%5D=iPod%20de%20conde&device%5Bdevice_type%5D=Phone&device%5Bos_version%
5D=5.1.1&device%5Bmodel_name%5D=iPod%20touch%204G&device%5Bvendor_name%5D=Apple&device%
5Bos%5D=Ios&device%5Bphysical_address%5D=70%3A73%3ACB%3A49%3AF9%3A83&device%5Buuid%
5D=91fcbabbeb3887d0eeba8161d93920a8dfa9cca1HTTP/1.1 201 Created
Content-Type: application/xml
X-Proxied: true
Connection: close
Content-Length: 78

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<device>
  <key>jeuejn</key>
</device>
```

At the bottom of the window, there are buttons for 'Find', 'Save As', 'Print', and radio buttons for 'ASCII', 'EBCDIC', 'Hex Dump', 'C Arrays', and 'Raw' (which is selected). There are also 'Help', 'Filter Out This Stream', and 'Close' buttons.

# 3. PHYSICAL ACCESS TO DEVICE

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- Thief
  - Shield device in a Faraday box / bag
  - Break device security
    - Recovery modes
    - Android
      - Maybe already rooted?
      - USB debugging
    - Passcode bypass
    - Forensic LIVE CD
    - Jailbreak tools



# 3. CLEAR TEXT SECRETS (AT REST): ANTIDROIDTHEFT (ANDROID)

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```
hellraiser:apks conde$ /Applications/android-sdk-macosx/platform-tools/adb shell
# cd /data/data/com.android.antidroidtheft/shared_prefs
# ls
appPrefs.xml
# pwd
/data/data/com.android.antidroidtheft/shared_prefs
# cat appPrefs.xml
<?xml version='1.0' encoding='utf-8' standalone='yes' ?>
<map>
<boolean name="gpsServiceRunning" value="false" />
<string name="appIdentifier">142fbc2ead1e7bc3bd7b4164a03be70874edeb8f7b9fd1f546efd77afde3cb3f463835</string>
<boolean name="inTheftMode" value="false" />
<boolean name="serviceRunning" value="true" />
<string name="password">temptemp</string>
</map>
#
```

# 3. CLEAR TEXT SECRETS (AT REST): WHERE'S MY DROID (ANDROID)

```
platform-tools — adb — 92x25
hellraiser:platform-tools conde$ ./adb shell
# cd /data/data/com.alienmanfc6.wheresmyandroid/shared_prefs
# ls
Pontiflex.xml
PrefFile.xml
openuid_prefs.xml
# cat PrefFile.xml
<?xml version='1.0' encoding='utf-8' standalone='yes' ?>
<map>
<boolean name="enable_passcode" value="true" />
<string name="response_log">02/10 11:14PM-App opened~02/10 11:16PM-Declined new terms~02/10
11:24PM-App opened~02/10 11:24PM-Accepted new terms~02/10 11:26PM-Correct passcode entered~0
2/20 08:23PM-App opened</string>
<int name="run_count_two" value="1" />
<long name="last_login_time" value="1360535198217" />
<int name="nag_count" value="1" />
<string name="attention_string">WMD Ring</string>
<boolean name="setup finished" value="false" />
<int name="terms_acct" value="1" />
<string name="saved_passcode">1234</string>
<long name="pontiflex_last_ad_time" value="1361535098085" />
<string name="attention_gps_string">WMD GPS</string>
</map>
#
```

## 3. ANTI-THEFT CRYPTO FAILS

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- No crypto at all...
- Weak cryptographic algorithms
  - MD5 no salt
  - SHA1
- No use of crypto hardware

# 3. LOCK DOWN BYPASS: PREY

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- DEMO

### 3. SECURE WIPE (AND RECOVERY) I

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- Apps do not have secure delete capabilities, relies on a delete() call from OS
- SD Cards many times do not get deleted
  - Some Apps not configured by default

# 3. SECURE WIPE (AND RECOVERY) II

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- Thief: Remove SD Card as soon device is stolen!
- Use forensic tools to recovered Data if device wiped
  - Windows: Use any LIVE CD/DVD forensic
  - Android
    - Open Source Android Forensics Toolkit  
<http://sourceforge.net/projects/osaftoolkit/>
    - iCare Recovery Android  
<http://www.icare-recovery.com/free/android-data-recovery-freeware.html>
  - iPhone
    - Iphone Analyzer  
<http://sourceforge.net/projects/iphoneanalyzer/>
    - iOS Forensic research  
<http://www.iosresearch.org/>

# 3. SECURE WIPE (AND RECOVERY) III

The screenshot displays the iCare Data Recovery Free 5.0 software interface. The title bar reads "iCare Data Recovery Free 5.0". The main window features the iCare logo and the text "Data Recovery Software". A status bar at the top right indicates "2GB Free File Recovery. Remaining free: 2048 MB." and includes an "Upgrade" button.

The interface is divided into a left sidebar and a main content area. The sidebar contains a "Deep Scan" section with a "Main Menu" button and a "Support Center" button. The main content area displays a table of detected partitions and disks:

Partition	Information
Generic- Compact Flash USB Device 0.00 KB	
Generic- SM/xD-Picture USB Device 0.00 KB	
Generic- MS/MS-Pro USB Device 0.00 KB	
Google, Inc.Nexus One USB Device 3.78 GB	L : (FAT32)
(L: ) FAT32 3.78 GB	Google, Inc.Nexus One USB Device

Below the table, a message reads: "Please select the partition or disk ,and click 'Recover'". At the bottom of the interface, there are "Back" and "Recover" buttons.

# 3. SECURE WIPE (AND RECOVERY) IV

iCare Data Recovery Free 5.0

**iCare**  
Data Recovery Software

2GB Free File Recovery. Remaining free: 2048 MB.

[Upgrade](#)

**Deep Scan**

Total 331.31 MB in 1637 files      Selected 0.00 KB in 0 files

Main Menu

Find by name

Search Files

File Preview

Support Center

Files

- Raw Files
  - Adobe Portable Document Format file
  - GIF graphics file
  - GZIP compression file
  - JPEG Graphics file
    - 1-300
    - 301-600
    - 601-900
    - 901-997
  - MP3 Music file
  - Portable Network Graphic file
    - 1-300
    - 301-574
  - Zip compression file

File Name	File Size	File Type	Modification Time
FILE300.JPG	46.23 KB	JPG	
FILE299.JPG	25.57 KB	JPG	
FILE298.JPG	55.60 KB	JPG	
FILE297.JPG	75.15 KB	JPG	
FILE296.JPG	33.69 KB	JPG	
FILE295.JPG	23.61 KB	JPG	
FILE294.JPG	67.49 KB	JPG	
FILE293.JPG	46.21 KB	JPG	
FILE292.JPG	39.88 KB	JPG	
FILE291.JPG	38.83 KB	JPG	
FILE290.JPG	22.23 KB	JPG	
FILE289.JPG	40.78 KB	JPG	

Please select files and click 'Save Files' to recover:

[Back](#)      [Save Files](#)



## 3. JHV DEFUSER I

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- “John Hard Vegas, Anti-Theft defuser”
- Features:
  - Fingerprint Anti-Theft
  - Steal credentials
  - Disable Anti-Theft



## 3. JHV DEFUSER II

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- Current Anti-Theft apps defused

(\* Windows only) :

- Prey
  - LaptopLock
  - Bak2u / Phoenix
  - Snuko
  - LocateLaptop
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- *More to come and other platforms...*

# 3. JHV DEFUSER III

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- DEMO

# 3. INSERT ROOTKIT TO STOLEN DEVICE – SUBVERTING ANTI-THEFT

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1. Stolen device



2. Shield device

3. Tamper device

4. Install Rootkit

5. Enable Anti-Theft and return device



6. User happy again 😊

## 3. THIEF CRAFT

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- Disable Anti-Theft remote if possible
- Mute sound on device
- Remove SD Card
- Shield it
- Break device security
- Collect user data
- Recover deleted data



### 3. AVOID BEING...

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**BUSTED**

You know what you did.

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# 4. Conclusions

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# 4. RISKS SUMMARY

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- Clear Text Secrets
  - At-Rest: Mobile Top 10 2012-M1 Insecure Data Storage
  - In-Transit: Mobile Top 10 2012 - M3 Insufficient Transport Layer Protection
- Poor Cryptographic Algorithm
  - CWE-327: Use of a Broken or Risky Cryptographic Algorithm
- Insecure Development Practices
  - Shipped with Debug
  - No data validation
  - NO SSL certification checks
- Privacy Violations
- Wiped data can be recovered (most of the time)
- Lack of Resilient & Security Defenses
- Easily defeated



## 4. THE UGLY TRUTH

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- Anti-Theft products need to improve their security
- Some products need to change their claims

## 4. USER SECURITY

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- Keep up on updates
- Enforce security defenses (usual suspects)
  - Firewall
  - Anti-virus
- Beware of public networks
- If Anti-Theft app installed, make sure it does what it claims!

## 4. ANTI-THEFT VENDORS

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- Understand your threats!
- Build **secure software**, not **security software**
- Protect user data effectively

## 4. BE SAFE IF YOU CAN

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## 4. Q&A

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- Please fill out the Black Hat feedback form
- Thanks!