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## Mobile Security Shootout: Which Smartphones Are Up to the task?

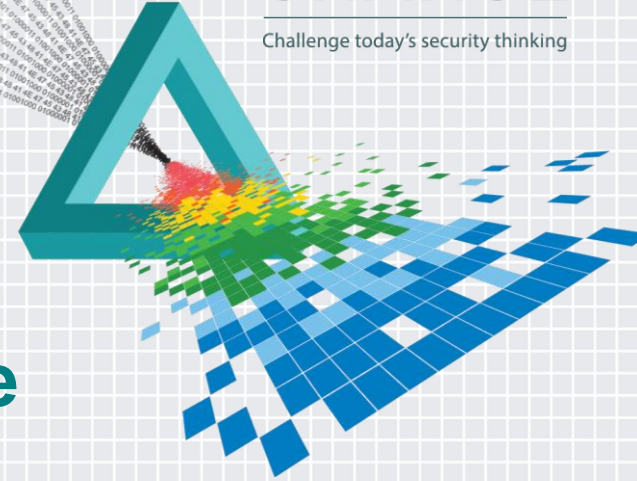
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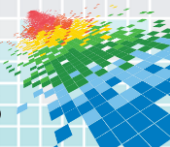
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# CHANGE

Challenge today's security thinking



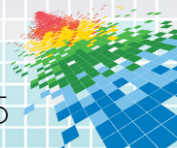
# The landscape has settled



# Is the market dictated by biases?

- ◆ Ask 10 techs, get 10 answers
- ◆ Android malware is scary
- ◆ Walled garden = safe & secure
- ◆ Fewer users means fewer attackers?

# TRUTH



# What are the questions?

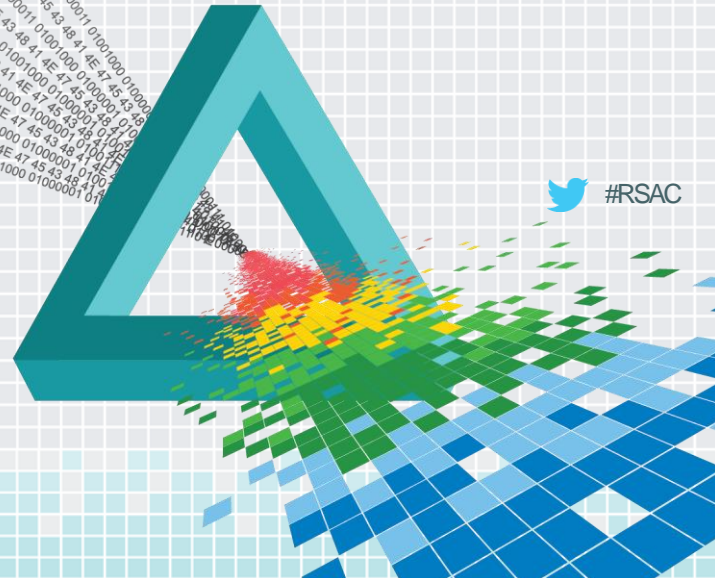
- ◆ Safe from what?
- ◆ What are we protecting?
- ◆ Priorities
  - ◆ Data theft
  - ◆ Privacy
  - ◆ Productivity
  - ◆ Awareness and control



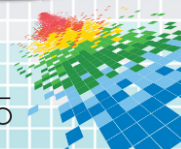
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## The platforms




# Android



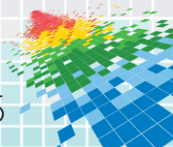
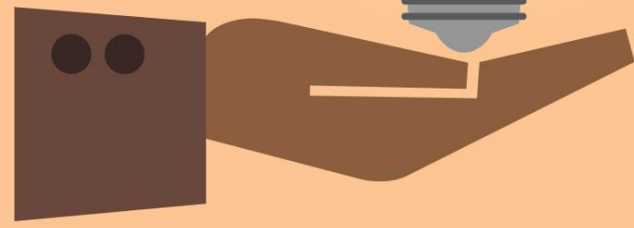
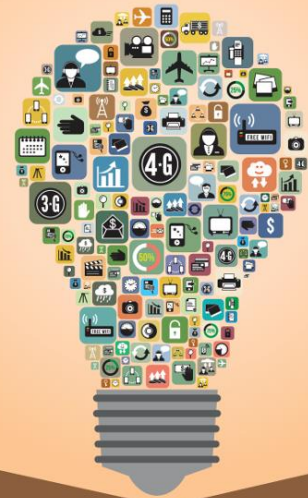
# iOS



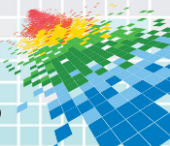
 Doesn't beacon for access points unless in the presence of a hidden AP

 Randomizes MAC addresses to avoid advertising and other unauthorized trackers

 Slower scanning reduces chances of drive-by MITM



# Windows Phone

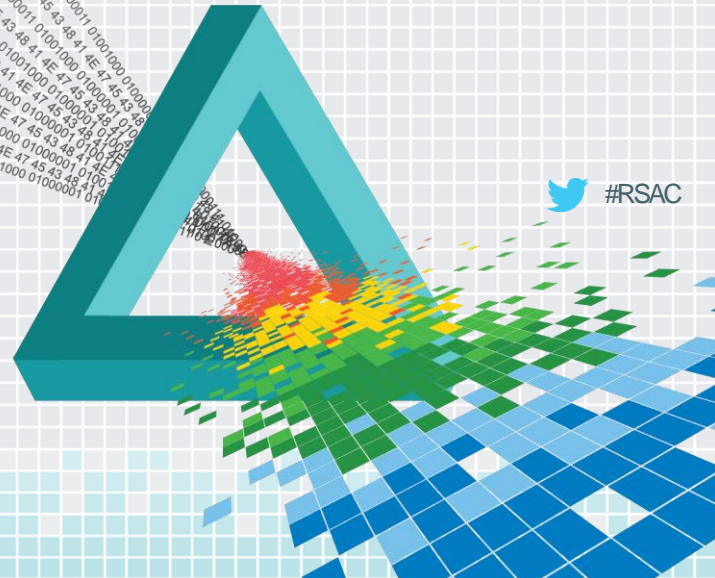




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## Who is getting what from our mobiles?



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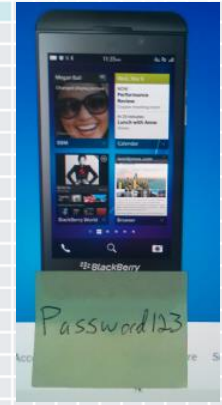
# Apps



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6 SELECT Employees
7 FROM Employees
8 WHERE HireDate BETWEEN
9
10 SELECT EmployeeID, FirstName, LastName
11 FROM Employees
12 WHERE City IN ('Seattle', 'Tacoma', 'Vancouver')
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14 SELECT EmployeeID, FirstName, LastName
15 FROM Employees
16 WHERE HireDate NOT BETWEEN
  
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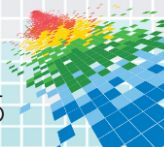
- ◆ One tap login
- ◆ Optional PIN
- ◆ Location includes GPS, cell tower, provider, signal strength, type, roaming
- ◆ Uploads photos without explicit permission



- ◆ Requires phone #
- ◆ Leaks email over HTTP
- ◆ Can hijack account over email
- ◆ Asks nicely for all permissions



- ◆ Leaks MAC address over HTTP
- ◆ Communicates with two ad networks
- ◆ Leaks internal IP address, phone #, carrier



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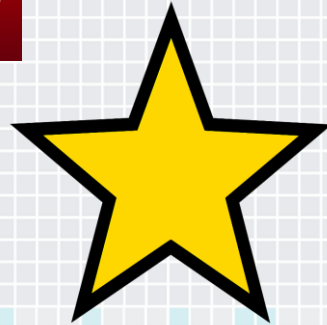
- ◆ Leaks MAC address
- ◆ No cert validation (now fixed)
- ◆ Password sent
- ◆ Sends model, carrier, memory, storage, WiFi, battery info



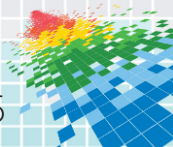
- ◆ Sends off phone # and birthdate and password
- ◆ Sends location, battery, CPU, time zone, memory and storage
- ◆ No password reset verification
- ◆ Discloses if user or pw is wrong



- ◆ Collects model, carrier, country



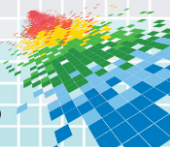
- ◆ All HTTPS
- ◆ No pinning
- ◆ No passwords transmitted
- ◆ No ads



# What can happen – The flashlight app



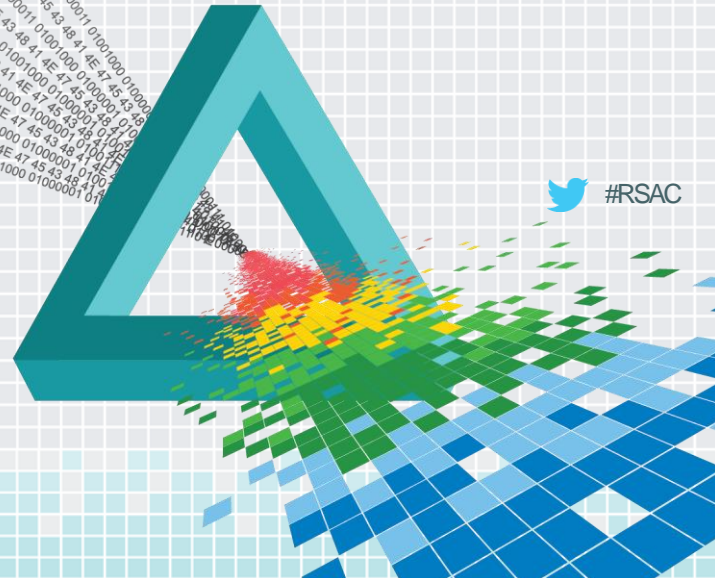
- ◆ You probably don't want this, which brings us to the tools that really matter. Control.



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**Taking action on what we've learned**



# ActiveSync to the rescue...?

- ◆ Not all platforms are created equal

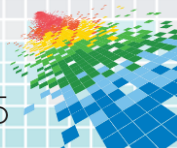


Android 5.0, Lollipop



# Items to consider

- ◆ Is BYOD worth it?
- ◆ What information will you allow to be accessed from mobile devices?
- ◆ Certificates, passcodes, WiFi, VPN, Camera
- ◆ Most importantly:  
Application control
- ◆ The cloud.



# Bottom line

