



FROM OBSCURITY TO POP CULTURE

EVOLUTION OF APPLICATION SECURITY

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- New Generation Application Security
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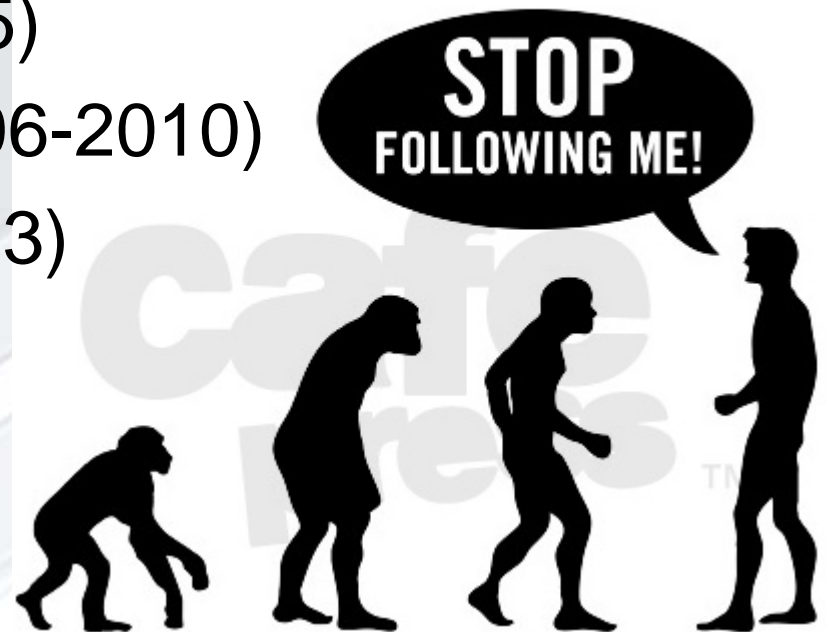
About Myself

- 10+ Years in Application Security
- Breaking and Building Web and Software
- Penetration Tester, Security Researcher, OWASP Contributor
- VP Product of Seeker



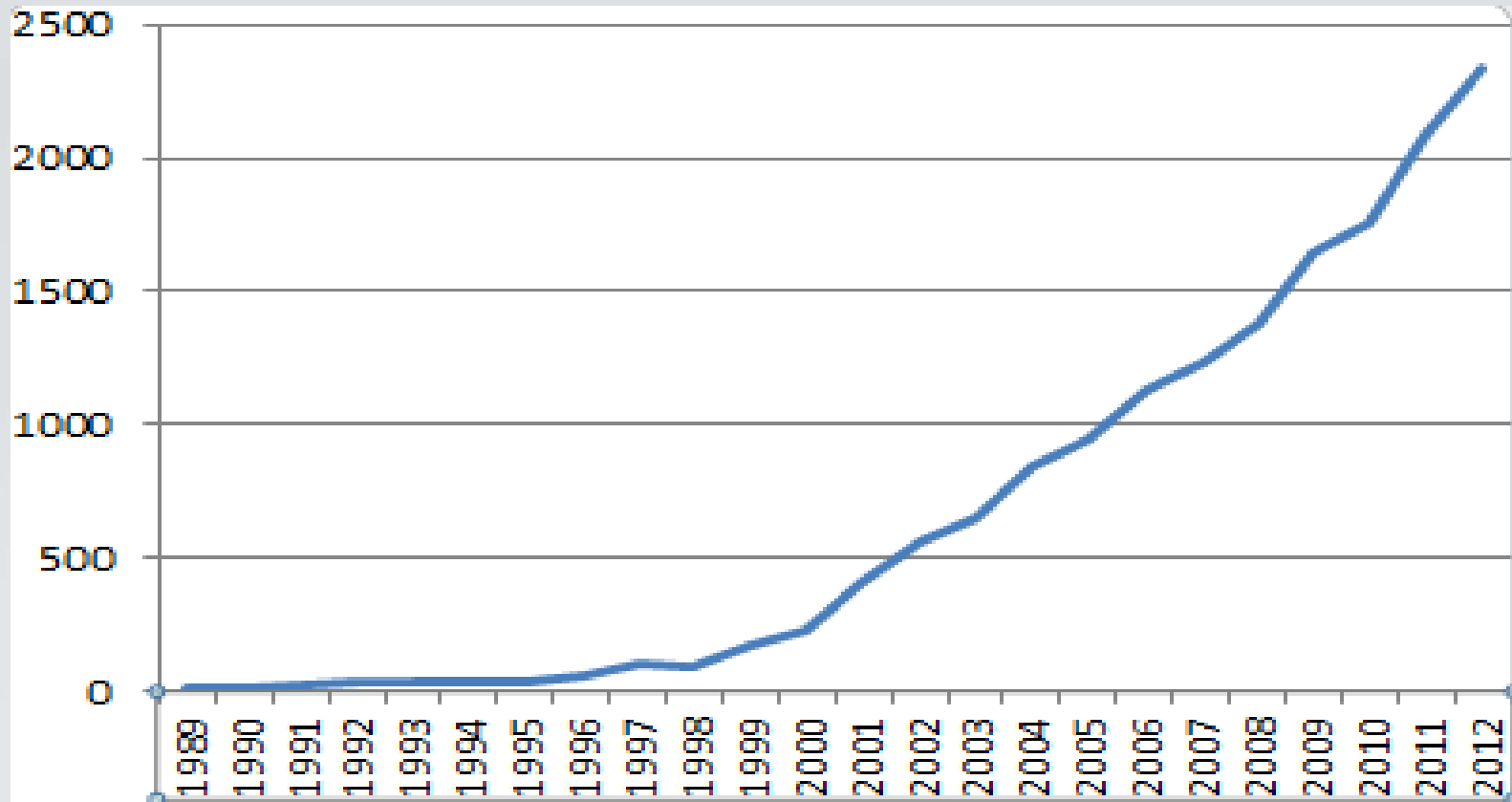
Agenda

- Evolution of Application Security
 - Ancient History (1990-1999)
 - Middle Ages (2000-2005)
 - Early Modern Ages (2006-2010)
 - Modern Ages (2011-2013)





Google Scholar - "Application Security"





Ancient Times (1990-1999)

Intel Launches the Pentium Processor

Java is First Released by Sun

Larry Page and Sergey Brin Build a Search Engine

Internet Reaches a Million Users



Application Security Experts Start to Emerge



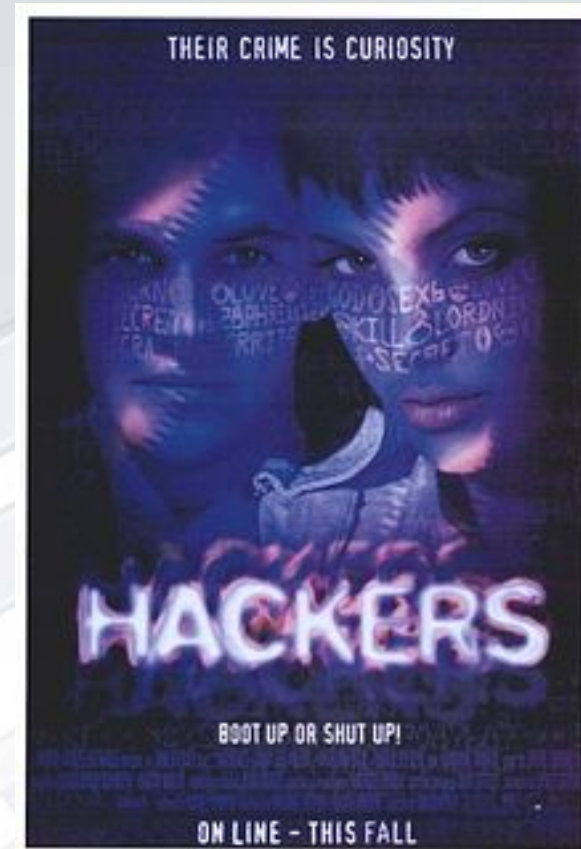
Hackers Party, Deface and Start to get Jailed

Government Warns: Online Industry Lacks Protection



Ancient Times (1990-1999)

- Early Nineties – most of the talk still revolves around non-application Hacking
- Mid-Late Nineties – Starting to be Evident that Application Security is an Issue
- Application Hacks Begin to be Published
- First Application Security Oriented Companies Emerge





Ancient Times (1990-1999)

- New York Times Hack (1998)
 - HFG (Hacking for Girlies)
 - Defacement
 - FOR MITNICK!
 - Targeting Reporter John Markoff and Others

[China's Hacking of NY Times Recalls Another Attack in 1998 - Arik ...](#)



[allthingsd.com/.../chinas-hacking-of-ny-times-recalls-another-att...](#)

by Arik Hesseldahl - in 360 Google+ circles

Jan 31, 2013 - lolcat_hacked-feature There's going to be an awful lot to say about the massive **hacking** effort by attackers thought to reside in China that ...

[N.Y. Times hack tip of iceberg - CNET News](#)

[news.cnet.com/2100-1023-215504.html](#)

Sep 14, 1998 - Published on September 14, 1998 3:15 PM PDT. ... Facing the worst **hacker** attack in its history, the **New York Times** found itself caught in the ...



Ancient Times (1990-1999)

<!-- Don't hate us because we nailed your girlfriend. -->

FIRST OFF, WE HAVE TO SAY.. WE OWN YER DUMB ASS. 4ND R3MEMB3R,
DUMB ASS 1S OFT3N CUTE 4SS. AND WE L1KE CUTE ASS.

S3C0ND, TH3R3 AR3 S0 MANY L0S3RS H3R3, 1TZ HARD T0 P1CK WH1CH T0
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S1NC3 WE AR3 N0W INTERN3T TERR0RISTZ, W3 F1GURE WE SH0ULD
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JOURNALIZM IS ANYWAY. DUMB WH0R3Z.



Ancient Times (1990-1999)

- New York Times Hack – Responses
 - Defacement was discovered by the editor
 - It must be an anomalous hole in the website
 - They performed a penetration test two years ago, maybe it was not enough



Ancient Times (1990-1999)

- More Action in the 90ies
 - Early Roots of Hacktivism (300 sites hacked in 1998)
 - FTC warns about lack of website security and privacy concerns (1997)
 - Sierra-Online Hack – “Sierra is bringing in a security expert to determine how the hack occurred and how to prevent it in the future.”



Ancient Times (1990-1999)

90ies Hacker

- Young
- Idealist
- Mostly Unorganized
- Looks up to Mitnick
- Varying Level of Skill
- Few set Goals

90ies Application Defender

- Mostly Inexistent
- Low Budget
- Beginning to get Recognition
- Mostly Low Level of Skill
- Mostly Unorganized
- Little Government Support



Middle Ages (2000-2004)



Dot-com bubble bursts

Apple Introduces the iPod

MySpace, LinkedIn, WordPress are Launched

Internet Population Surpasses 500 Million



Security Experts Start OWASP, WASC



Hackers form Anonymous and get Organized



Governments pass Acts and Regulations



Middle Ages (2000-2004)

- Application Security Begins to Gain Momentum, More Companies are Founded
- OWASP AppSec USA Takes Place in NYC
- First Edition of the Top Ten Project is Released



Middle Ages (2000-2004)

[Home](#) > [Best Practice Archive](#) > How To Hire a Security Consultant

How To Hire a Security Consultant

Source: *The Anti-Defamation League*

Guidelines for Hiring a Security Contractor

Once a decision is made that your institution has short- or long-term security needs, it should be determined whether limited or complex security requirements are necessary.

ADL strongly recommends that each institution undertake security as a long-term, ongoing process. Depending on the nature and complexity of the institution, an assessment by security professionals might be required. To view the ADL guidelines, [click here](#). For additional information contact [your local ADL office](#).

Middle Ages (2000-2004)



- US Government Passes Sarbanes-Oxley
- International Standards Organization takes BS7799 and makes ISO17799
- Applications hosting Medical Data are required to HIPAA Compliance
- Payment Card Industry Issues PCI-DSS





Middle Ages (2000-2004)

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Oct 17, 2002 - MICROSOFT'S BETA WEBSITE , BetaPlace, was downed by a bunch of hackers who **hacked** into the security servers and stole the entire database of Microsoft ...



Middle Ages (2000-2004)

Early 2000's Hacker

- Still quite young
- Begins to understand a lot of money can be gained
- Starts to be more organized and targeted
- Idealistic & Hacktivist
- Some good technologists, mostly script kiddies

Early 2000's Application Defender

- Talks security in the SDLC
- Starts professional communities and helps governments design regulations
- Gets very technological and forms application security consulting and software companies
- Enjoys strong government support



Early Modern Ages (2005-2010)

Nintendo Releases Wii

Amazon introduces the Kindle, Apple the iPhone
YouTube, Wikipedia, and LOLcats are Launched
Internet Reaches a Billion Users



Application Security is Trendy



Hackers Become Pop-Culture, not Sub-Culture



Governments & Businesses Dedicate more Resources



Watch out cyberworld!

Hairballs
aren't the
only things
I hack!

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Early Modern Ages (2005-2010)

- In 2007 the Die Hard 4 Movie Features a Cyber Attack on National Infrastructure
- Samy hits MySpace with a PXSS worm reaching over a million users within 20 hours
- Tsunami Hacker gets Convicted



Early Modern Ages (2005-2010)

- Also in 2007, a TJ Maxx hacker takes off with over 45 million credit card numbers (and is undetected for nearly half a year)
- 3 Years Later TJ Maxx Hacker also Admits to Hacking Barns & Noble, and more..
- TJ Maxx is a Big Milestone



Early Modern Ages (2005-2010)

- Enterprises have either already Established or are Establishing Application Security Testing Teams
- Enterprises Start to Understand Need for Routine Application Security Testing
- Experts talk about Change Management, Agile Development Security, and Ongoing Testing



Early Modern Ages (2005-2010)

Late 2000's Hacker

- Government, crime organizations and individuals
- Motivated by ideals, money or fame (or all)
- Script kiddies trained by veterans
- Governments and crime organizations have extensive training programs

Late 2000's Application Defender

- Thoroughly understands attackers and threats
- Helps achieve regulation and/or works for governments, consulting firms, businesses or security vendors
- In high demand, enjoys a very dynamic field



Modern Ages (2011-2013)

Apple makes Champagne iPhone

Elon Musk makes Cool Stuff

1.2 Billion mobile apps Downloaded at Christmas 2011

Number of Smart Phones Reaches 1 Billion



Application Security Turns to Mobile and Cyber



Hackers turn to Mobile and Cyber



Resources are allocated for Mobile and Cyber



Modern Ages (2011-2013)

- Application Security Shifting to Mobile and Cyber

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Modern Ages (2011-2013)

- Some Enterprises talk about Advanced Persistent Threats
- Others still Fail to Create an Effective Application Security Testing Process
- 2011 is the Starting Year of the Big Hacks



Modern Ages (2011-2013)

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New York
Times

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Modern Ages (2011-2013)

- Attackers get Advanced and Persistent, more Sophisticated
- Hacktivism Strongly Affected by Arab Spring
- US Government Arrests 5 Ukrainians and Russians for Largest Hack in History

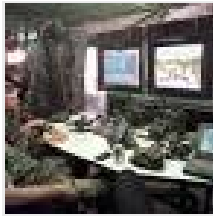
The group allegedly hacked NASDAQ, Visa, J.C. Penney, 7-Eleven and JetBlue, among other companies, from 2005 until early last year. The men are accused of [illegally obtaining roughly 160 million credit and debit card numbers](#), and allegedly stealing more than \$300 million from at least three of the companies they attacked.



Modern Ages (2011-2013)

- Countries turn on Each Other

[News for iran nuclear hack](#)



Al-Arabiya

[US Says Iran Hacked Navy Computers](#)

Wall Street Journal - by Julian Barnes - 3 days ago

U.S. officials said Iran hacked unclassified Navy computers in recent ... with Iran over its nuclear program, show the depth and complexity of ...

Iran's nuclear facilities hacked,
workstations start playing
Thunderstruck by AC/DC



Modern Ages (2011-2013)

2010's Hacker

- Part of Global Cyber War
- Vast Amounts of Script-Kiddies with some Trained Individuals
- Organized (Anonymous, Lulzsec, Governments, Crime Organizations), Advanced and Persistent

2010's Defender

- Talks Cyber and APTs, Understands the Landscape has changed
- Helps Organizations Achieve Security as part of SDLC
- A lot of Highly Trained Experts. Also Experts with 15 Years of Experience



Summary

- Application Security Evolved Following the World Technological Advancements
- Application Security Experts Emerged, got Organized (over 600 Registered to OWASP Israel 2013!)
- Governments Joined in on the Fun
- Hackers get Organized, but Keep sense of Humor



Summary





THANK YOU!

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