Security Principles

(as usual, thanks to Dave Wagner and



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TL-30





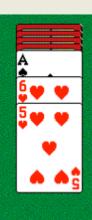
"Security is economics"























This program can delete any file you can.

Score: 461 Moves: 39



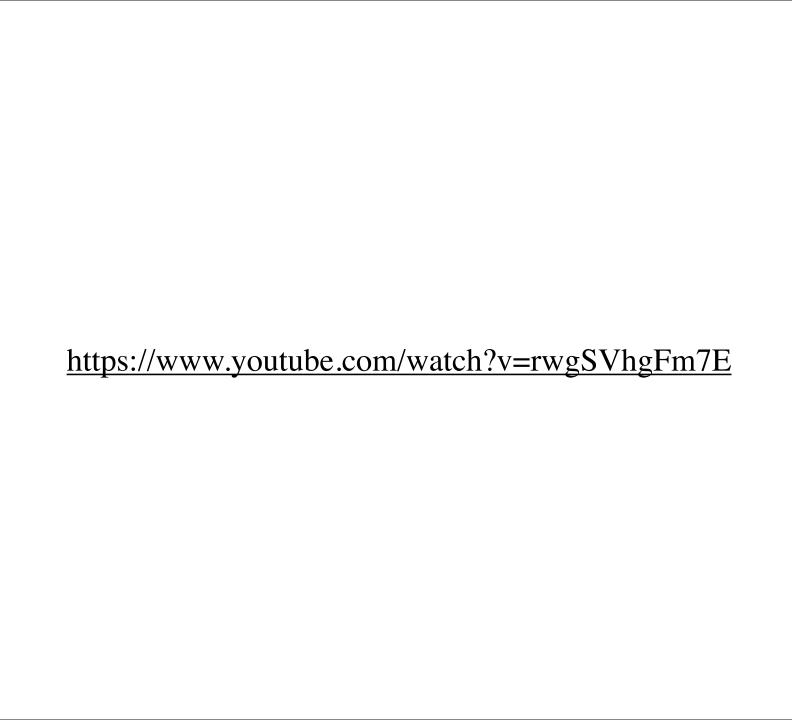
"Least Privilege"

"Least Privilege" Every entity (process, user, program, etc.) must be able to access only such information and resources necessary for its legitimate purpose









"Use fail-safe defaults"



Fail-Safe.

COUNTDOWN

Missile launch: 60 s. Global nuclear war: 90 s.

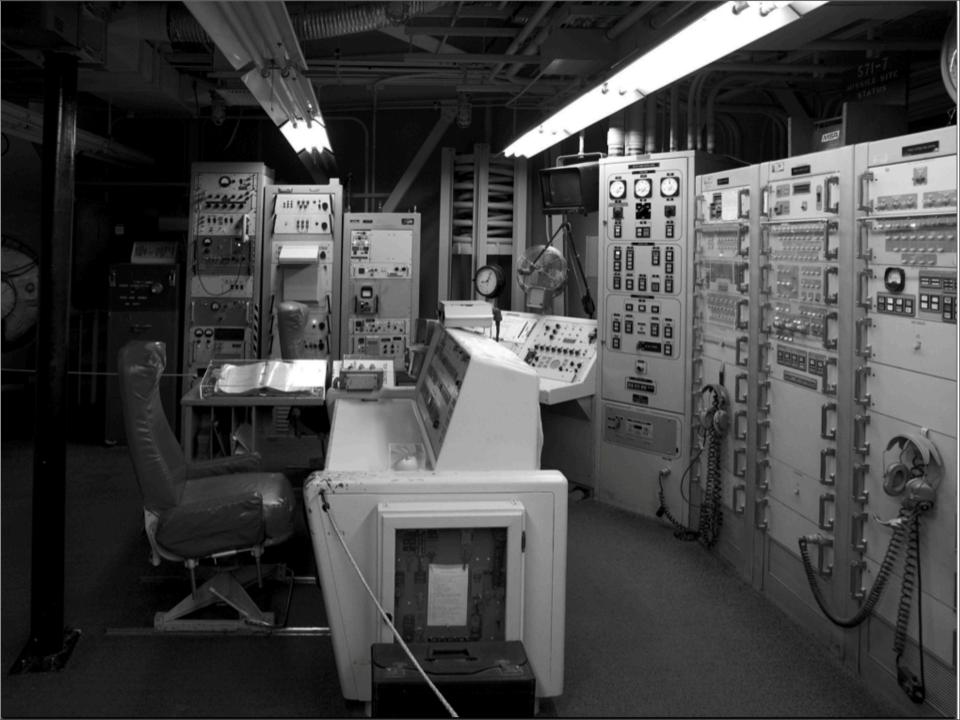
To cancel, enter your security code and give the counter-order within 60 seconds.



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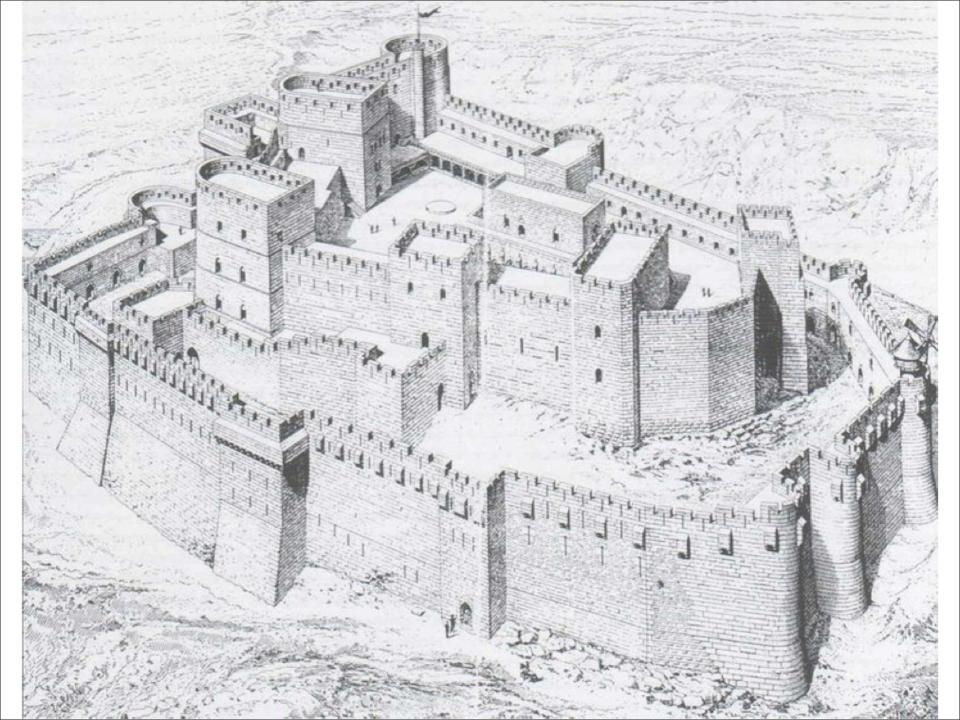
"Separation of Responsibility"

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System should be divided into entities that overlap in functionality as little as possible.

Alternative statement: Split up privilege so no one person or program has complete power. Require more than one party to approve before access is granted.

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"Defense in depth"



Password selection

- 2.6.8. Where passwords are used as the sole authentication method, they **SHOULD**:
 - a. be a minimum of 7 characters, and
 - b. consist of at least 3 of the following character sets:
 - lowercase characters (a-z),
 - uppercase characters (A-Z),
 - iii) digits (0–9), and
 - iv) punctuation and special characters.

Examples: !@#\$%^&*

These requirements **SHOULD** be enforced by the system.

"Psychological acceptability"

Internet Explorer





When you send information to the Internet, it might be possible for others to see that information. Do you want to continue?

In the future, do not show this message.



<u>N</u>o.

Internet Explorer





When you see a dialog box like this, click 'Yes' to make it go away. If available, click the checkbox first to avoid being bothered by it again.

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<u>N</u>o.

Website Certified by an Unknown Authority





Unable to verify the identity of syn.xiph.org as a trusted site.

Possible reasons for this error:

- Your browser does not recognise the Certificate Authority that issued the site's certificate.
- The site's certificate is incomplete due to a server misconfiguration.
- You are connected to a site pretending to be svn.xiph.org, possibly to obtain your confidential information.

Please notify the site's webmaster about this problem.

Before accepting this certificate, you should examine this site's certificate carefully. Are you willing to to accept this certificate for the purpose of identifying the Web site syn.xiph.org?

Examine Certificate...

- Accept this certificate permanently.
- Accept this certificate temporarily for this session
- Do not accept this certificate and do not connect to this Web site.

ОК

Cancel

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Blah blah geekspeak geekspeak geekspeak.

Before accepting this certificate, your browser can display a second dialog full of incomprehensible information. Do you want to view this dialog?

View Incomprehensible Information

- Make this message go away permanently
- Make this message go away temporarily for this session.
- C Stop doing what you were trying to do



Cancel

"Consider human factors"



"Ensure complete mediation"

"Ensure complete mediation" Every access attempt must be checked. Both direct access attempts and attempts to circumvent the access checking mechanism should be considered, and the mechanism should be positioned so that it cannot be circumvented.

(Pfleeger and Pfleeger)





Know your threat model! (They often change over time.)

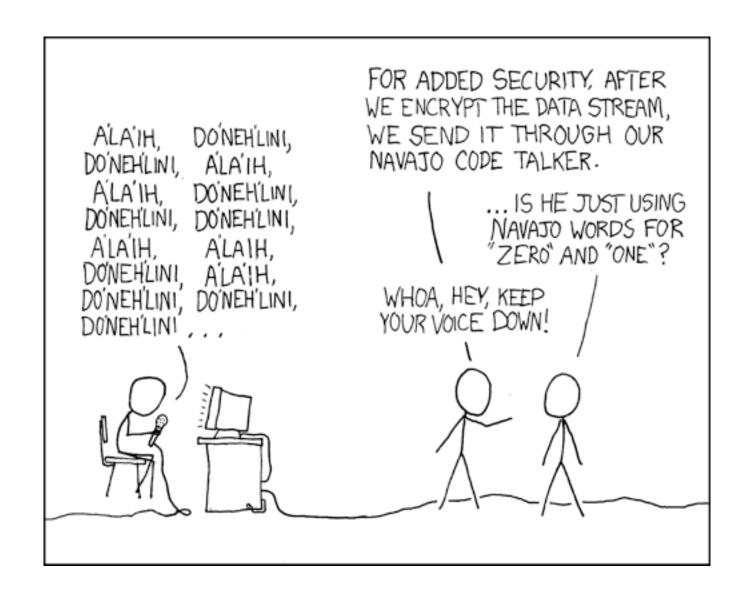
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Detect if you can't prevent!















TRAPPED IN SIGN FACTORY





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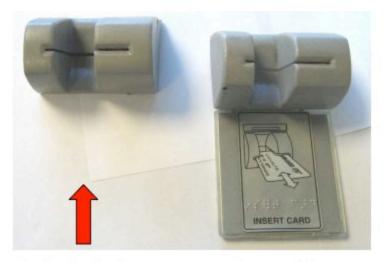
The notion that secrecy of design or implementation provides security.



Design security in from the start!

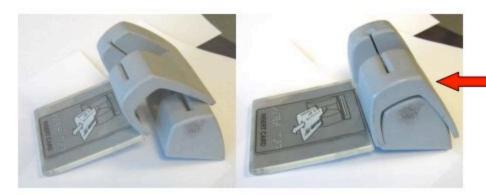






The real card reader slot.

The capture device



The side cut out is not visible when on the ATM.



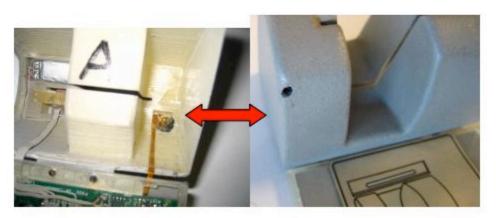
This is the back side of the device.

The card reader is on the left and the camera is tucked into the right side as shown below.

The device may have been constructed with parts from an MP3 Player.

It was attached with several small pieces grey double-sided tape

The part was well made and fit nicely over the original card reader.













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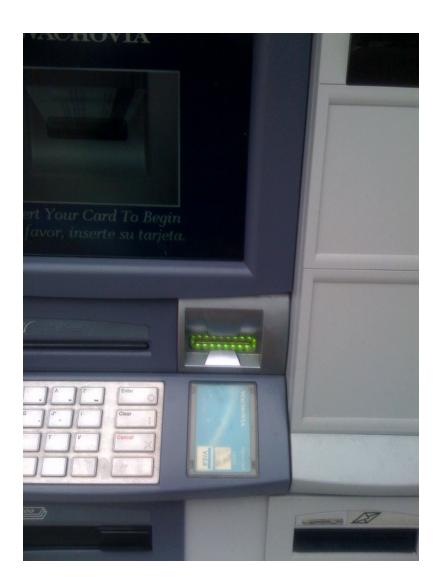














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