

# The next step in IT security after Snowden

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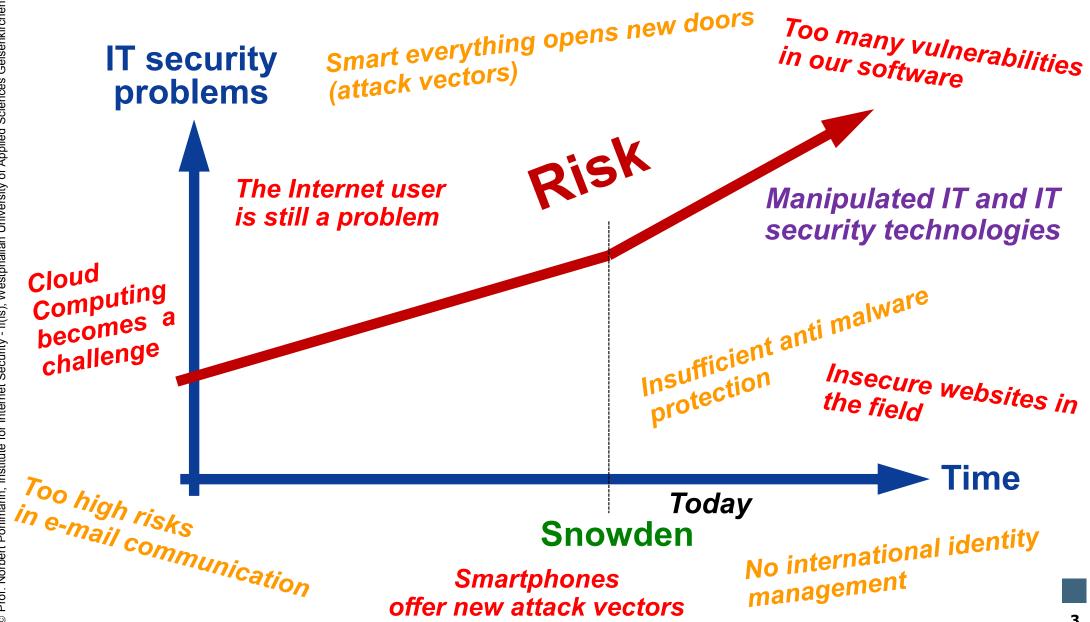
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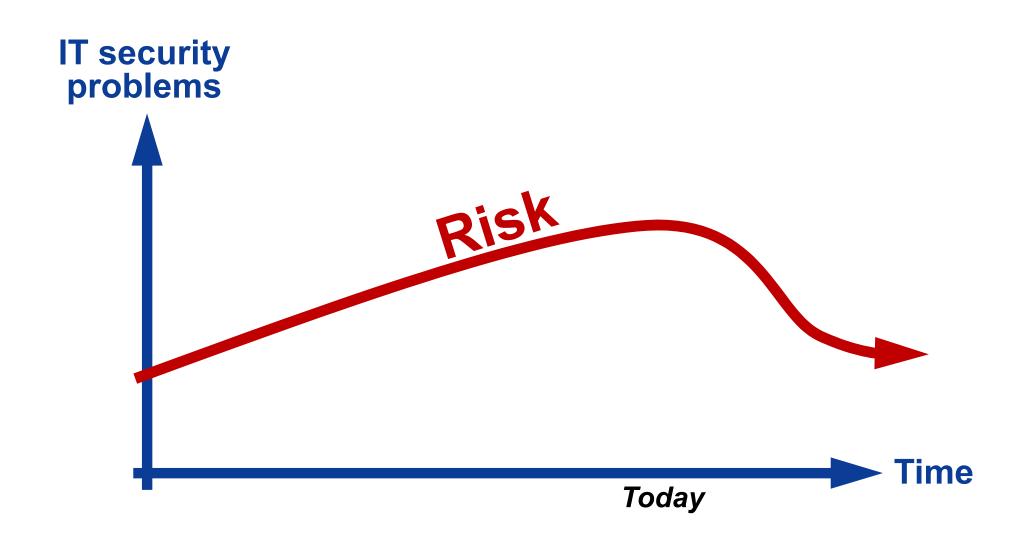
#### **Evaluation of IT Security** → Overview of the biggest problems





## **Evaluation of IT Security**→ Our challenge





### **Active Encryption**→ Much more is needed



- Encryption for a sustainable protection of our data
  - IPSec (every 125<sup>th</sup> IP packet), SSL (every 7<sup>th</sup> IP packet), ...
  - E-Mail-Encryption (~ every 20<sup>th</sup> E-Mail), ...
  - Disc-, File Encryption, ...

#### Requirements:

Trustworthy encryption technology

(No backdoors, strong random numbers, correct implementation, ...)

- → Very powerful IT security industry in DE
- → IT Security made in Germany
- Trustworthy IT security infrastructure
   (PKI with RA und CA; Root certificates, ...)

#### Paradigm Shift - (1) → More responsibility less indifference



#### **Producer responsibility**

Software and hardware will better matched and problems would be better identified and solved.



#### **Validation / Certification**

Independent and qualified organizations prove (improve) the quality of IT (security) products and solution



### Paradigm Shift – (2) → More proactive less reactive IT security



#### **Reactive IT Security Systems**

- Today we use a lot of reactive IT security solutions and that means we are always running behind the attacker.
- The idea of reactive IT security is, if we detect an attack, we try to protect us as fast as possible to reduce the damage.
- For example "reactive IT security systems" are
  - Intrusion Detection Solutions
  - Anti-Malware products
  - Anti-Spam /-Phishing

**...** 

"Airbag approach":
If it happens, it should hurt less.



### Paradigm Shift - (2) → More proactive less reactive IT security



#### **Proactive IT Security Systems**

- Proactive IT security offers more robust and much more trustworthy protection.
- Here we use for example a security kernel with separation and isolation technology combined with intelligent cryptographic security mechanisms.

(Trusted Platform)

"ESP strategy": Avoid skidding, before it happens.



#### Paradigm Shift - (2)

#### → Trusted Platform



Robustness/Modularity **Integrity Control Strong Isolation** App App App **Modularization Virtualization** OS **Trusted Platform Trusted Interaction Trusted Software Layer** Remote Attestation, Binding, Sealing **Trusted** Security Kernel / Virtualization **Computing Base** Hardware **Trusted Boot** 

**Security Module** 

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### Paradigm Shift - (3) → More object less perimeter security



#### Perimeter security

#### Defense Model:

- Protect a set of computer systems and networks with the help of Firewalls, VPNs, Intrusion detection and so on.
- Assumption: The computers and the networks are fixed installed.

#### Evaluation:

 Modern world uses flexible and distributed mobile devices.

Perimeter security can't protect us like in the past!

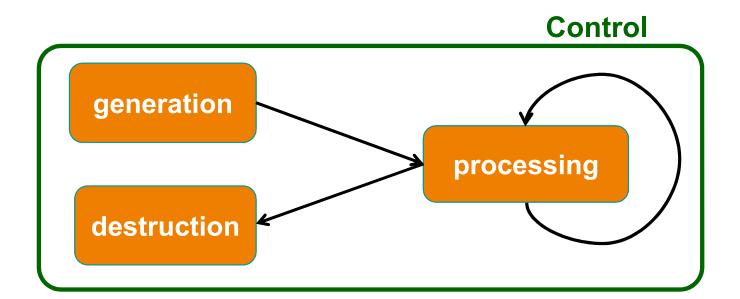


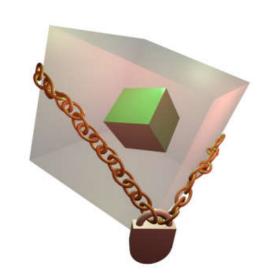
### Paradigm Shift - (3)

#### → More object less perimeter security



- Object Security (Information Flow Control)
  - Idea:
    - Domain object-oriented security, in which the objects are provided with rights.
    - The rights define who can use the object with which action in which IT environment
  - Object Lifecycle Protection
  - Distributed Policy Enforcement (even on foreign systems)

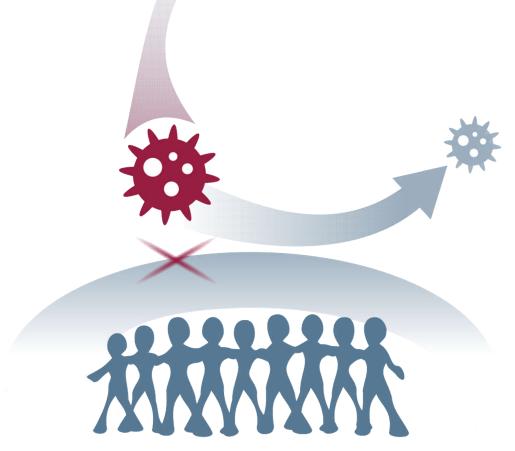




### Paradigm Shift - (4) → More collaboration less separation



Imbalance of power in cyberspace between attackers and defenders.



Collaboration helps to overcome the imbalanced situation



## The next step in IT security → Summary



Over the time our IT security problems have become bigger and bigger!

- It is very important that we use much more encryption
- We need paradigm shifts in IT and IT security, so that we can build trust in using the Internet in the future
  - More responsibility less indifference
  - More proactive less reactive IT security
  - More object less perimeter security
  - More collaboration less separation
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Thank you for your attention!
Questions?

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