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Overview

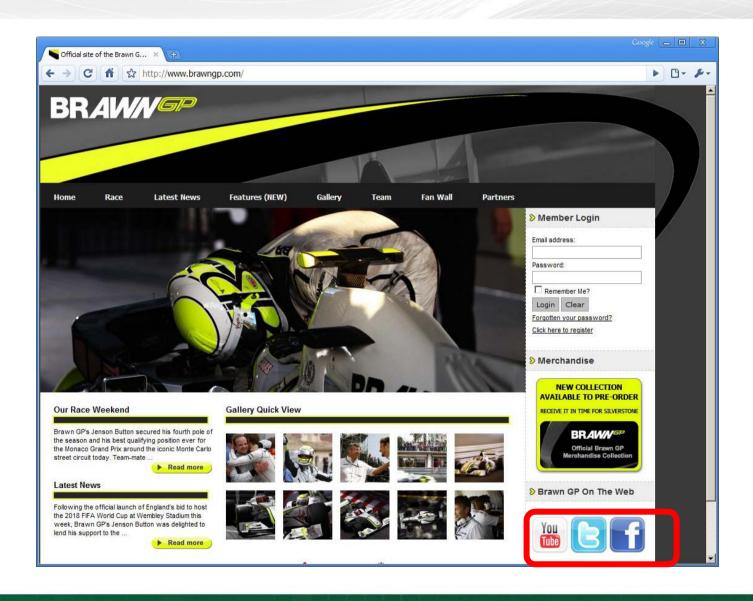


- What is web 2.0?
- Social networking malware
 - General structure of a web 2.0 attack
 - **Technical** vulnerabilities, **human** factor
 - Koobface the web 2.0 worm
- Threats beyond classic malware
 - Big problems with short URLs
 - Malware inside the browser: XSS worms, 3rd party applications
 - From web 2.0 to mobile malware
 - Problems beyond malware (privacy, data leakage)
- Targeted attacks become mainstream
- Conclusions what's next?



Brawn GP







The White House





Connect with the Pope on Facebook. Really.



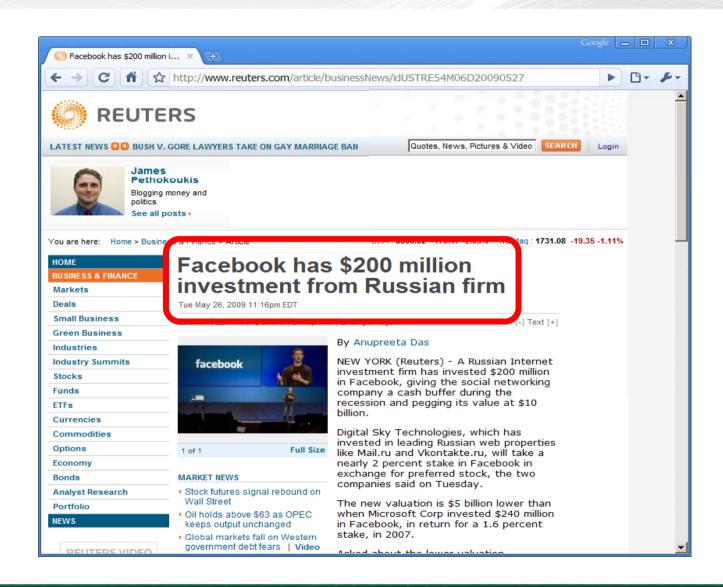






Web 2.0 – profitable business?





Facebook population—bigger than USA?





300 Million and On

by Mark Zuckerberg Tue at 11:00pm



As or today, Pacebook now serves 500 million people across the world. It's a large number, but the way we think about this is that we're just getting started on our goal of connecting everyone.

Because we want to make it as easy and fast as possible for the world to connect, one of the things we think a lot about is how to make Facebook perform even faster and more efficiently as we grow. We face a lot of fun and important challenges that require rethinking the current systems for enabling information flow across the web.

The site we all use every day is built by a relatively small group of the smartest engineers and entrepreneurs who are solving substantial problems and each making a huge impact for the 300 million people using Facebook. In fact, the ratio of Facebook users to Facebook engineers makes it so that every engineer here is responsible for more than one million users. It's hard to have an impact like that anywhere else.

We're also succeeding at building Facebook in a sustainable way. Earlier this year, we said we expected to be cash flow positive sometime in 2010, and I'm pleased to share that we achieved this milestone last quarter. This is important to us because it sets Facebook up to be a strong independent service for the long term.

Over time, Facebook will continue to be as strong as all of the connections you make. We'll continue building new and better things to make connecting with the people you care about as easy and rewarding as possible. We thank all of you for helping us reach the point where we are connecting 300 million people, and we hope to serve you and many more people in increasingly deep and innovative ways in the months and years ahead.



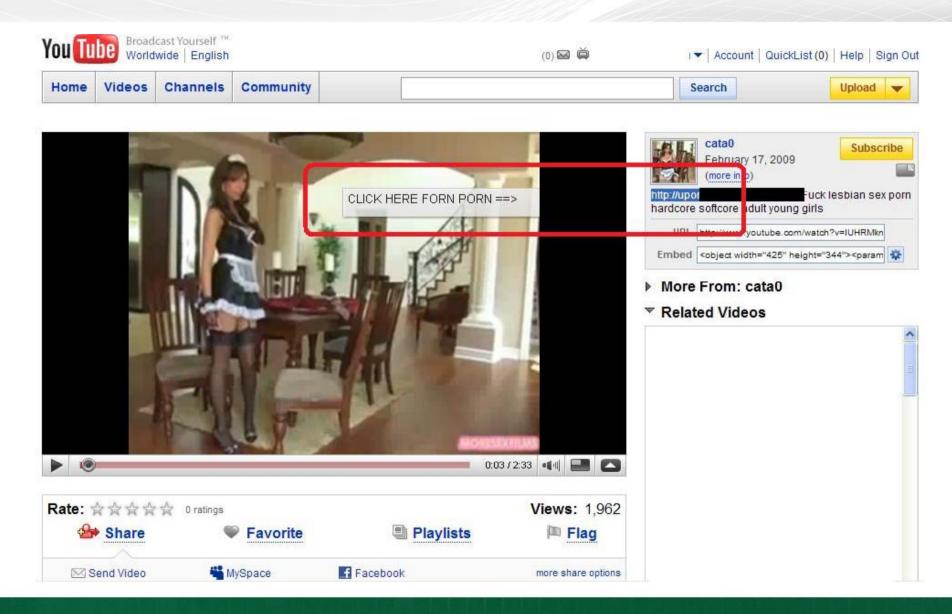




New attack vectors

YouTube





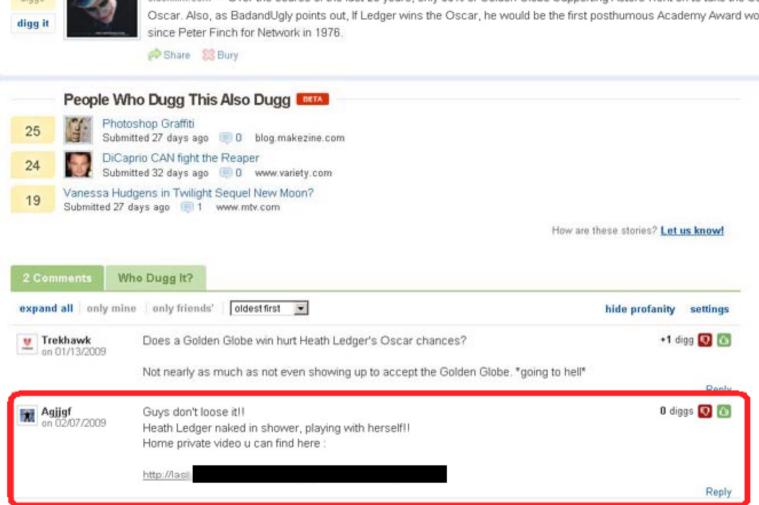






Does a Golden Globe Win Hurt Heath Ledger's Oscar Chances? •

slashfilm.com - Over the course of the last 20 years, only 55% of Golden Globe Supporting Actors went on to take the Supp Oscar. Also, as BadandUgly points out, If Ledger wins the Oscar, he would be the first posthumous Academy Award won b





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Jessica Alba naked's Experience

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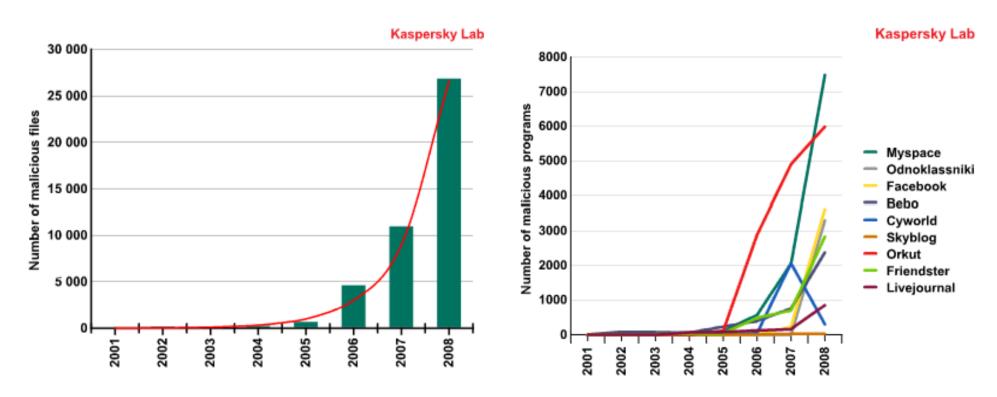
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 Total number of malicious software samples spreading through social networks



Vulnerable systems: humans & machines

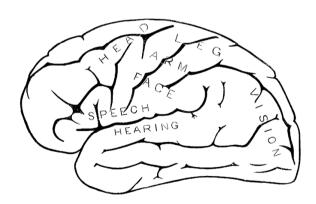


Technical factor

- 0-day vulnerabilities
- Lack of patches
- Unlicensed software

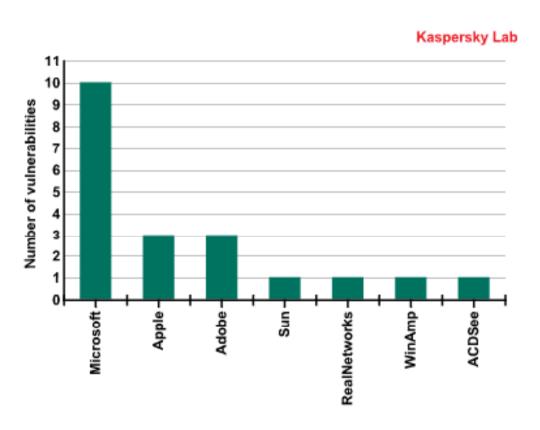
Human factor

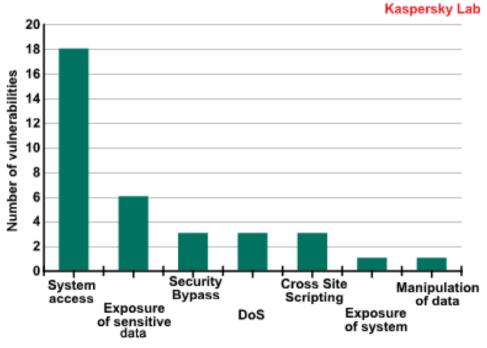
- Social engineering
- Curious and naïve users
- Trust a human "vulnerability"





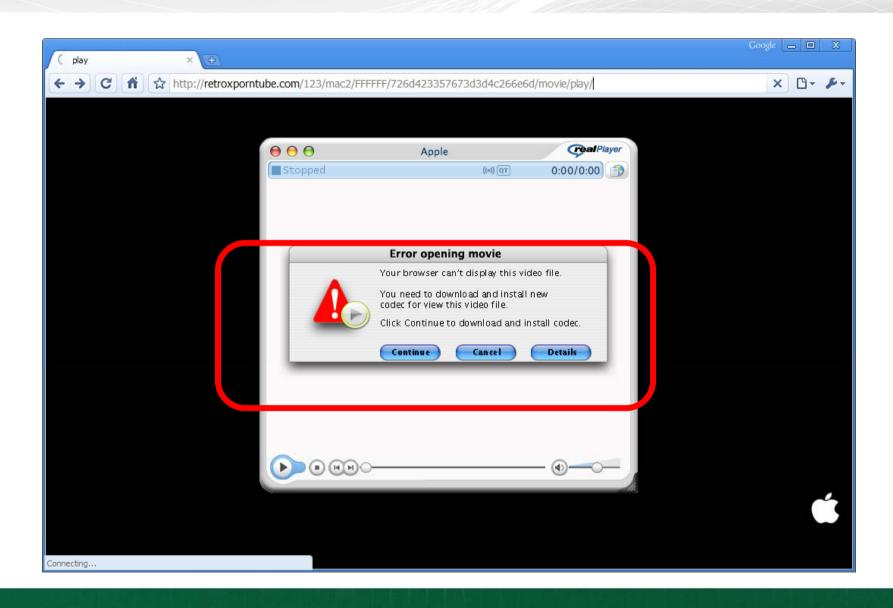
Critical vulnerabilities in 2008





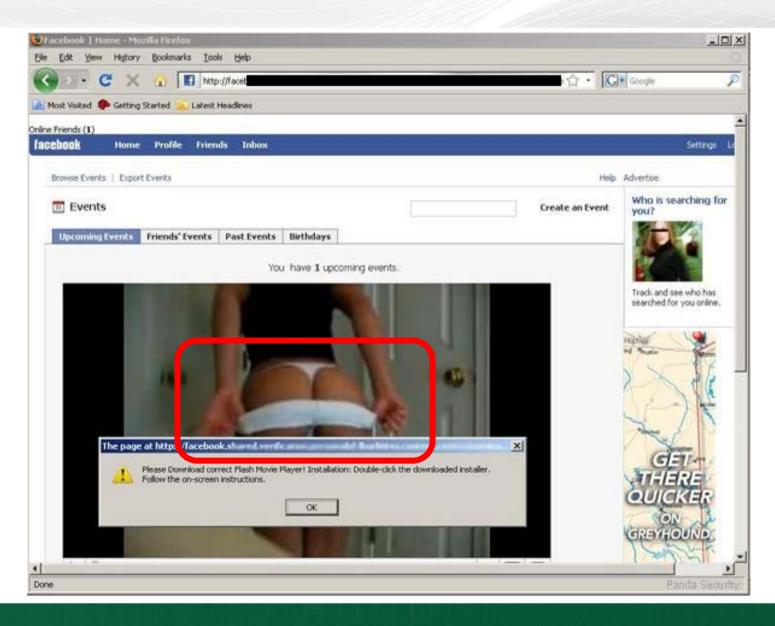
Human vulnerabilities - Mac DNS Changer





The real human vulnerability





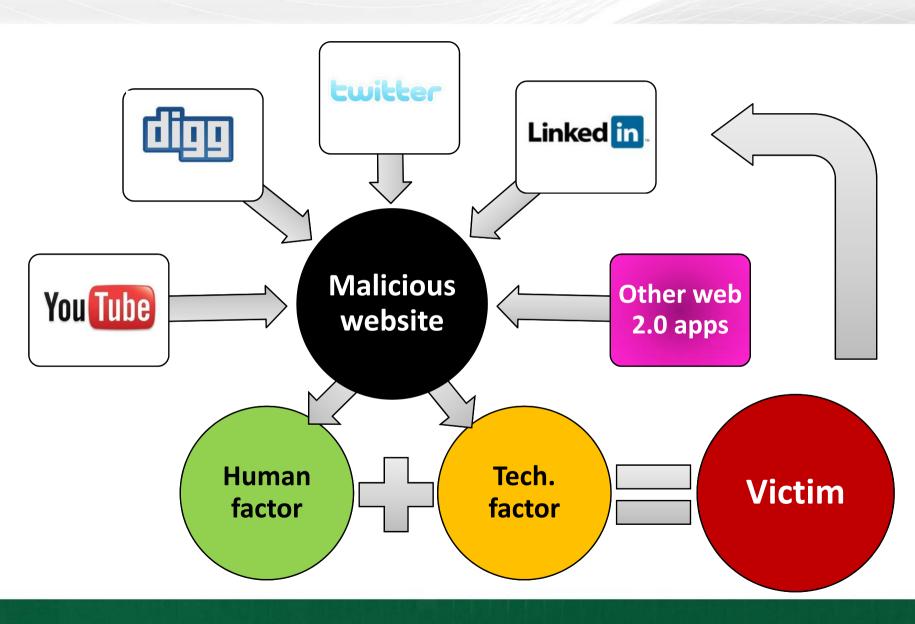


Human factor and Kido/Conficker

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General structure of a web 2.0 attack





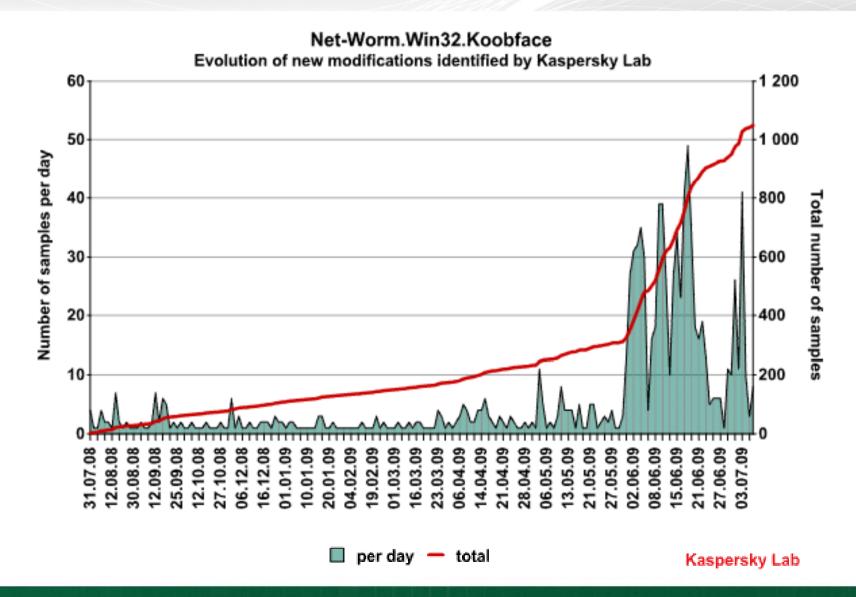


- June 2009 Explosive growth of Koobface modifications
 - The number of variants detected jumped from 324 at the end of May to almost 1000 by the end of June 2009
 - This sign of increased cybercriminal activity involving social networks in the past months proves that the strategies being used by the bad guys to infect users are much more efficient when adding the social context to the attacks



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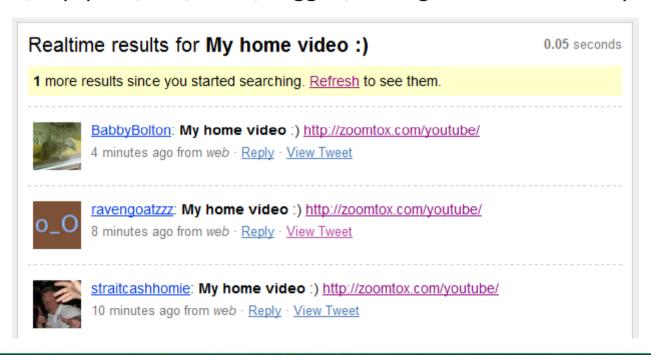




Koobface on the tweet



- June 2009 Koobface spreading through Twitter also
 - First discovered one year ago by Kaspersky Lab, Koobface was only targeting
 Facebook and MySpace users
 - Being constantly "improved", now spreading through more social networks: Facebook, MySpace, Hi5, Bebo, Tagged, Netlog and most recently... Twitter

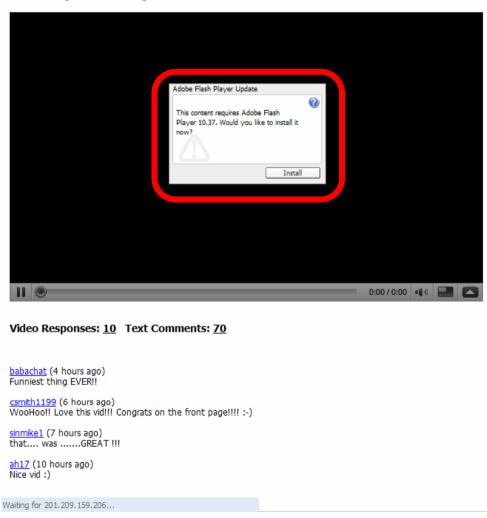


Koobface – social engineering at work



Sign Up | QuickList (0) | Help | Log in

Video posted by -WizArD-





→ Allow

Apply to all objects

The action will be allowed

→ Block (recommended) Action will be blocked

Social networks: from ecstasy to agony



- Web 2.0 malware: very similar to email worms
- Infection success rate of malware:
 - 10% when spreading through social networks
 - only 1% when spreading through email
- Social networking threats mean more than this
 - Social networks themselves are vulnerable
 - Social engineering is made easy with short URLs
 - Personal data leakage, privacy issues
 - Another risk: 3rd party applications
 - Social networks open doors to mobile malware
- Targeted attacks

Twitter: comeback of the XSS worm



XSS Worm:

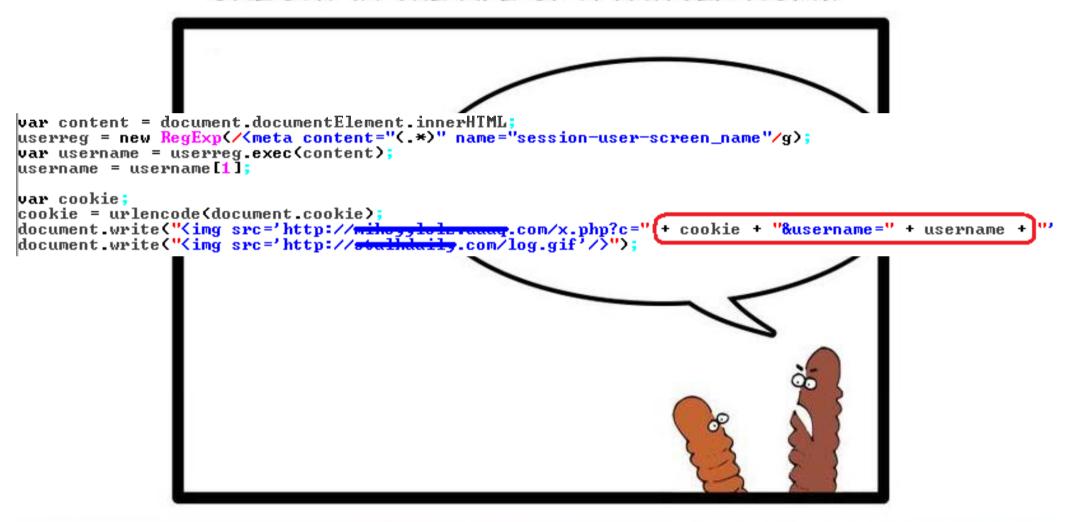
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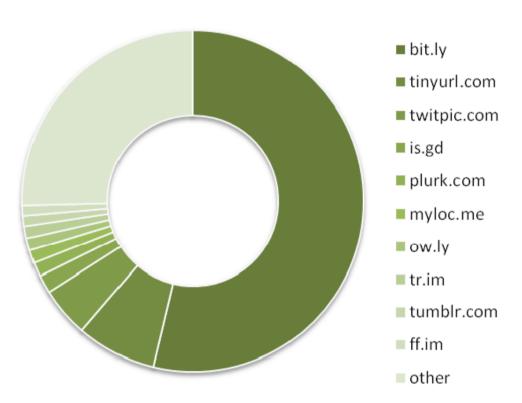
ONE DAY IN THE LIFE OF A TWITTER WORM



Short URLs, big problems



- June 2009 URL shortening service Cli.gs gets hacked
 - The best things about short URLs
 - There are so many!
 - Problems with short URLs:
 - Social engineering is easy
 - Questionable reliability
 - Implicit trust
 - Cli.gs gets hacked, no malicious intent – but what if?
 - Too many redirects hosted in the same place is not good news



Social networking and privacy concerns



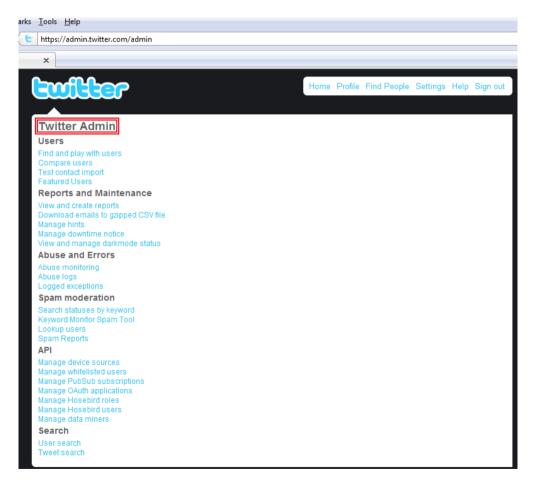


Social engineering at its best



April 2009 – Twitter admin panel gets hacked

- Public information posted to social networks by twitter admin
- Used by French hacker in social engineering attack
- To answer Yahoo! Mail security question and reset the password
- "Wow my Yahoo mail account was just hacked."
- "If anyone with Yahoo! Security is out there, hit me up with an reply"



Third party applications



"Photo of the Day" application - Web 2.0 botnet

Photo of the Day

4 Browse More Applications



Displays the photo of the day from National Geographic. Each day a different image of our fascinating universe is featured! Become a Fan
View Updates
Block Application

Share +

About this Application

***** (5.0 out of 5)
Based on 4 reviews

Users:
543 monthly active users

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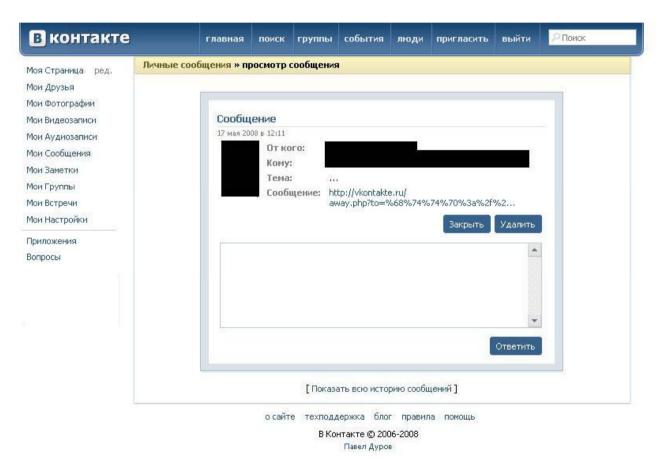
- Facebook certifies 1st batch of 120 verified apps
 - Announced in November 2008
 - Rolled out in May 2009
- \$375 fee for developers
 - Must be renewed each year
- 52,000 applications in total
 - How many will get verified?
- Several bugs were discovered



From social networks to mobile malware

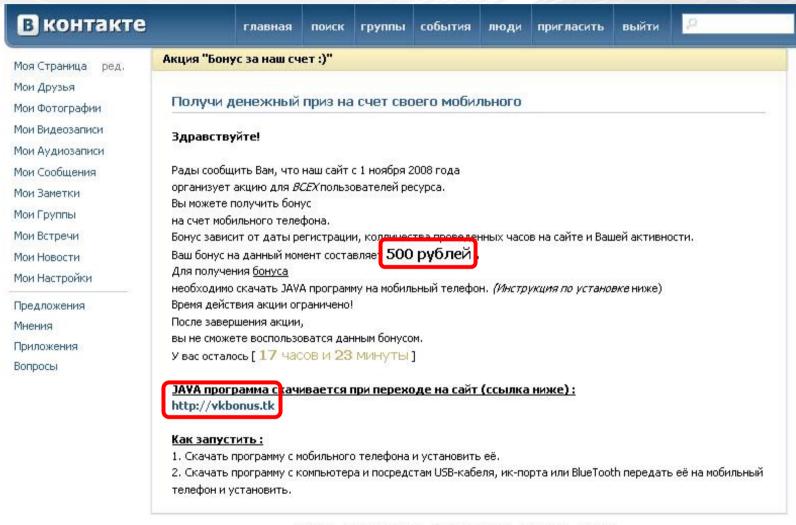


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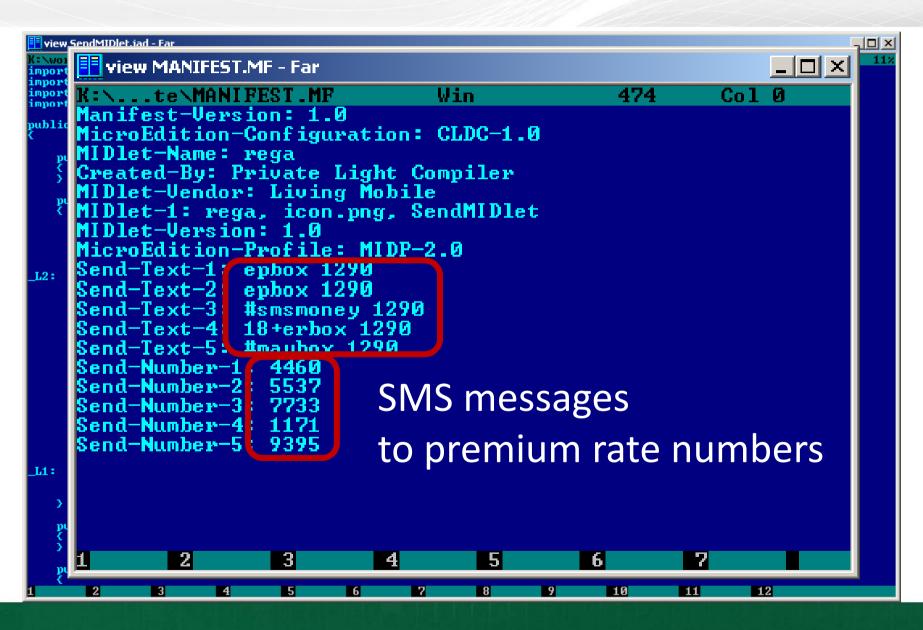




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Targeted attacks become mainstream



- So much personal information becomes public on social networks nowadays
- Advertisers are already doing it: targeted ads
 - Age, gender, location, interests, work field, browsing habits, relationships
- Targeted ads? Targeted attacks are already happening
- But social networks are enabling the cybercriminals to deliver bulk targeted attacks
- The personal data is there. Next step? Automation.
 - Geographical IP location has been around for a while
 - Automatic language translation services are getting better and better
 - Personal interests & tastes are public (ie: trending topics)



This is just the beginning!



- The number and complexity of threats that exploit web 2.0 will continue to grow
- Social networks will open up new ways for bulk targeted attacks against individuals
 - Localized, contextualized, personalized
- It will be very hard for social networks to do better: unfortunately, their business means usability, not security
- Be careful out there!



Thank you! Questions?

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