

# Sun City Computer Club

Cyber Security SIG  
November 2, 2023

**Questions, Comments, Suggestions welcomed at  
any time**

**Even Now**

- Audio recording of this session as MP4 file
- Audio recording available at link shown above

## Audio Recording In Progress

**SIG attendees are required to be members of the chartered club sponsoring that SIG.  
Sun City Community Association By-law**

**SSD Fraud**

- Channel 18 8am Scams Anti-Fraud Group
- Sun City Anti-Fraud Group Resources  
Sun City CA RESIDENT HOME



**Other Sun City Resources**

- Scams and Computer Safety SIG
- AI Sig – new November 6<sup>th</sup> 10am
- Announcements
- Wiki
- SIGs
- Classes
- Cyber Security Sig News Blog / Archive
- Vimeo
- <https://vimeo.com/sctxcompclub>

**Other Computer Club Resources**

- Questions

“How do “they” know where I went to school?

See the OSINT information later in this presentation

PayPal?

Advantages and disadvantages slide later

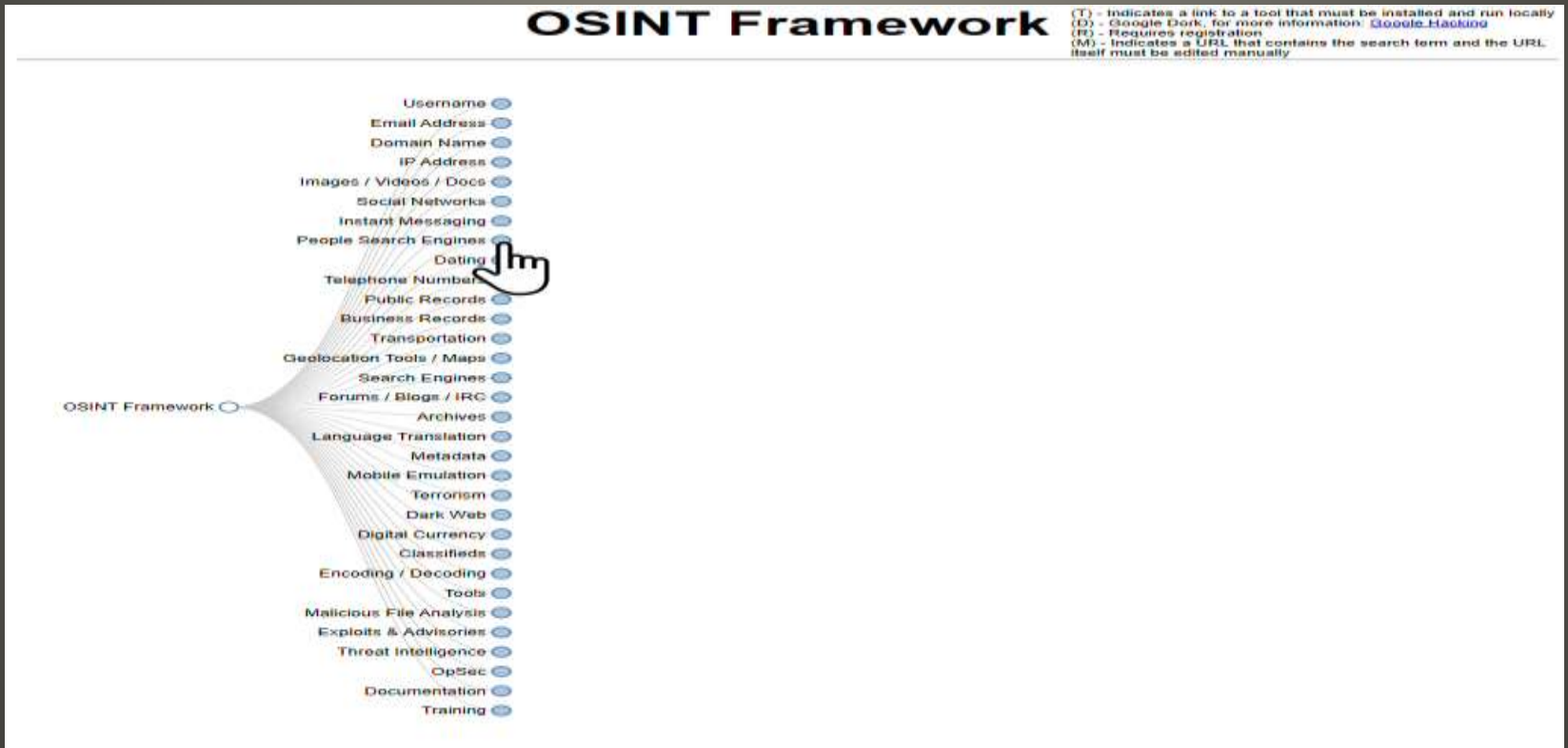
Is AI in my computer?

If you are running the latest Windows 11 23H2 version?

Yes

**Scams and Computer Safety SIG**

- <https://osintframework.com/>
- Open Source Intelligence



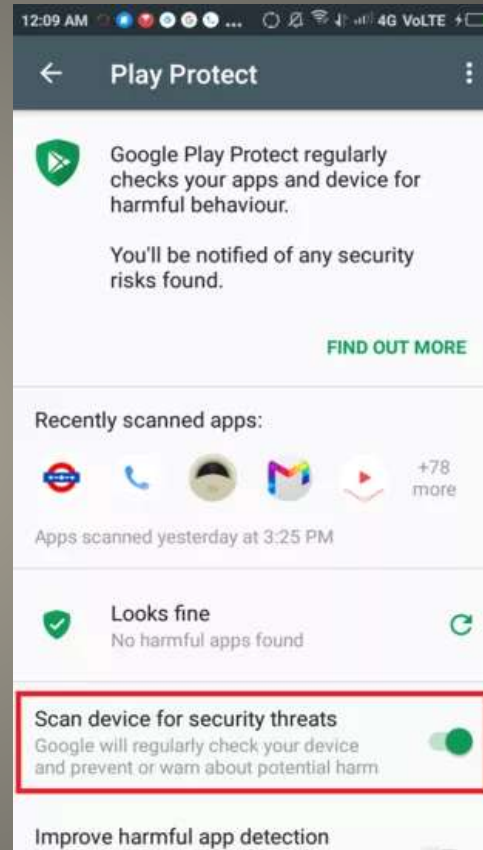
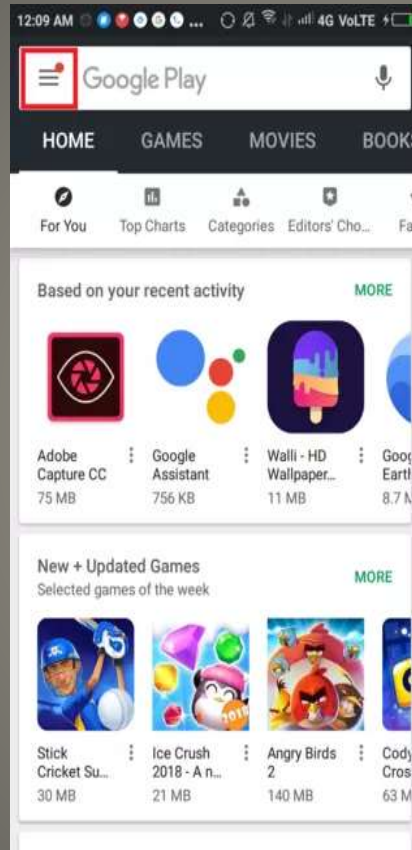
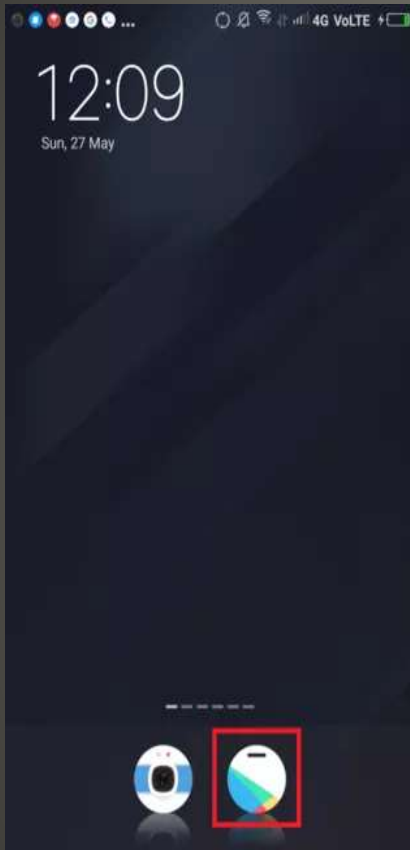
**OSINT**

- Confusing fees
- Scammer target
  
- No CC number at merchant
- Almost Instant remedy
  
- Ask Bing, Bard, ChatGPT

**PayPal**



# • Google Play Protect



## Current Issues

- American Family Insurance confirms cyber attack



Menu



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## Current Issues

- An email of a neighbor's postal mail
- USPS Change of Address fraud
- Thief acquires name and address
- Change of Address via mail
  - Not online, not in-person
  - More authentication
- Access your mail at their address
- Financial statements
- Pharmacy delivery
  
- Got a change of address form?
- USPS should notify both old and new address
- Contact local US Postal Inspection office
- 1-877-876-2455

**USPS Informed Delivery**


- Change NOT Activated without identification
  - QR Code sent to email
  - ???
- 
- Cyber Security SIG August 17

## **USPS Change of Policy**

- Chrome to test “hide my IP”  
Opt-in
- Privacy Badger  
un-rewrites Google rewritten links  
Google search result link rewritten  
routed thru Google Servers  
algorithmic tracker blocker
- North Korea attack crypto experts  
KANDYKORN Mac malware
- Google registry TLD .ing  
buy.ing \$129,999/yr
- Bitwarden adding passkey support to password  
manager
- Google account paring for messages  
No cameras, no QR codes

## Current Issues

# Text on this device by pairing your phone

1. On your phone, open  Messages by Google
2. Tap your profile picture in your conversation list and select **Device pairing**
3. Tap **QR code scanner** and scan the code on this device

Don't have Messages on your phone? [Install Messages](#)



Remember this computer



Beta

Sign in with your Google Account to enjoy messages on the web

Sign in

- Facebook account take-over hijack
  - Identity theft, financial loss, emotional distress
  - No strong support from Facebook
  - weak passwords no multi factor
  - cookie theft session tokens
  - Buy session cookies 1,000 \$80
  - Facebook support emails \$50 for 100
  - Scams – your Facebook account
  - Fraud – linked payment methods
  - login with Facebook
  - Sale of old established Facebook accounts – value
  - Personal Information
  - Payment methods

**Facebook**

- Locked out -or- account take over
- Check account phone number or email
- Logout of Facebook everywhere
- Facebook.com  
Forgot Account  
Follow instructions in phone or email
- No phone or email access  
Facebook.com/login/identify  
Fill out form provide Identity proof

**Facebook**



- PROTECT

Strong passwords

Multi-factor

Suspicious links

Security suites

Report suspicious actions

Identity protection services

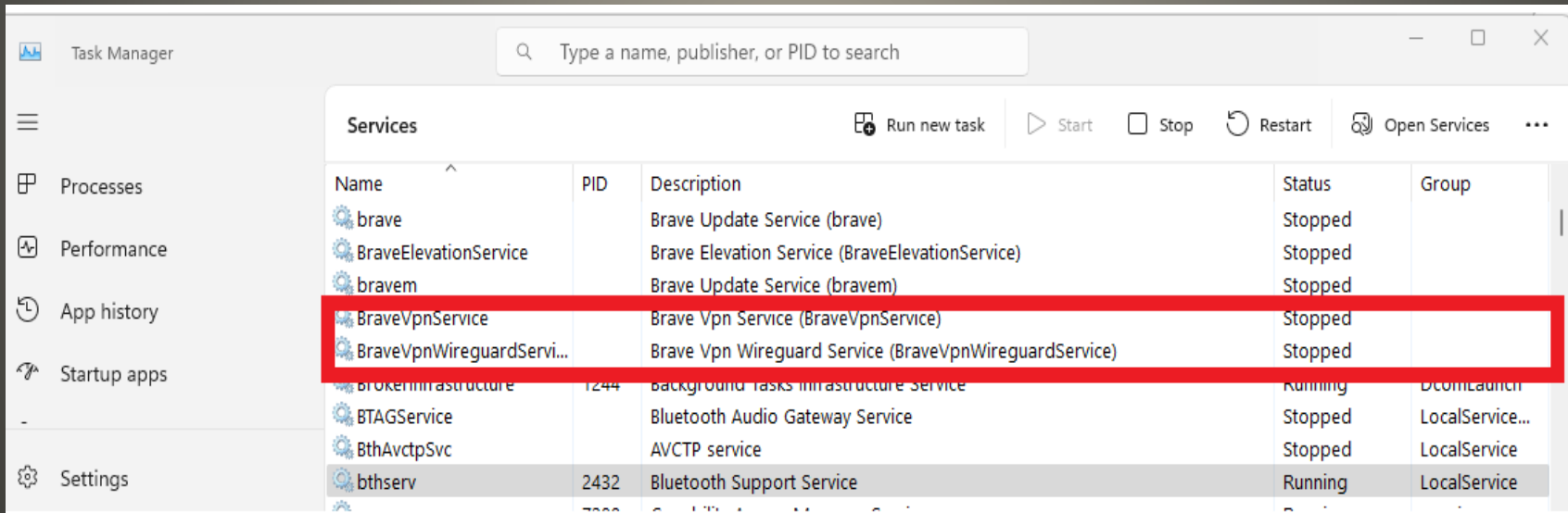
- Similar name

Protect contacts

HELP A FRIEND - report

**Facebook**

- Brave offers VPN services
- Brave loads those VPN services  
Without notification nor permission
- Brave turns on those services if user subscribes



## Brave VPN on Windows

## **Busy getting in shape? Be sure to also exercise your right to privacy**

You've downloaded the fitness app, you're wearing the tracker, and you've set a goal to get in better shape. Now, with the app's help, you're actually making progress. And you're happily sharing information about your workout with friends, family, and followers on social media.

It's easy to see why fitness-tracking apps are so popular: They can be a great way to positively reinforce your journey to better health. They quantify your fitness progress, bring support and accountability to your workouts, and connect you to a community of like-minded enthusiasts.

But they can also carry risks. These apps can enable third parties to collect your personal information, or potentially even give bad actors an opportunity to target you in the real world. Anyone who's concerned about being stalked or harassed, or simply wants to preserve their privacy, should take note. In fact, a recent study reveals that at least one top fitness-tracking app might not have privacy among its core strengths. Here are the potential concerns around these apps, along with measures you can take to protect your personal information while using them.

## **Your home address and other personal data could be at risk**

Most apps, including fitness trackers, have an “aggregated data usage” feature in which your personal data is combined with that of other users to create an anonymized data pool; the collective information is then used to improve your experience on the app. But is it truly anonymous?

Researchers at North Carolina State University have [released a study](#) showing that a leading fitness-tracking app, Strava, seemingly has a vulnerability in its aggregated data usage that could enable bad actors to physically locate individual users, which might lead to stalking or harassment.

Strava has a “heatmap” feature in which users can see specific running, cycling, or hiking locations and routes that are popular among other users. The map uses aggregated data, which in theory “should make it impossible for anyone to capture private information about any specific user,” says the study’s lead author. “However, we found a loophole in certain conditions.”

Users who live in less-populated areas and who have listed the name of their hometown in their profile may be particularly at risk, the study notes. Researchers were able to align the heatmap data with the hometown information to “identify the home addresses of some users... and confirmed those identifications using [publicly available] voter registration data.”

Beyond the privacy risks uncovered by the NC State researchers, know that if you share your app-enabled workout information on social media, it may compound your exposure.

Depending on your privacy settings, people could use that information to physically locate and target you.

Fitness trackers can also potentially disclose your Personally Identifiable Information (PII) to data broker sites, which can in turn sell the data not only to marketers, but to any party willing to pay for it. (In this regard, fitness trackers are similar to [mental health and wellness apps](#), many of which have demonstrated a willingness to sell user data to third parties.)

Finally, there's the ever-present threat of a data breach. For example, the popular fitness app [MyFitnessPal was hacked in 2018](#), affecting 150 million users; one year later, [the stolen user data was found for sale on the dark web](#).

## **How to limit your privacy exposure in fitness apps**

So how can you reduce your privacy risks? It boils down to two main strategies: Limit the amount and type of personal information you provide to fitness apps, and choose the strongest privacy settings possible. Specific steps include:

If you're starting a new account, create a username that doesn't reveal your full first or last name. Avoid listing your hometown in your profile if at all possible.

Limit location-sharing permissions on your phone and on any smart device such as a smartwatch or wearable tracker.

If you must use location sharing, enable it only after you've gotten some distance away from your home, and turn it off at some point before you return home; this will help prevent bad actors from pinpointing your exact home location.

Avoid uploading personal photos via the app.

Review the app's policies on data-sharing with third parties, and opt out of sharing your personal information to the greatest extent possible.

Opt out of any "aggregated data usage" feature in the privacy settings.

Think carefully about whether to link the app to social media; if you choose to link the app, be sure to use the most stringent privacy settings in your social accounts



- Generative Artificial Intelligence
- Cloud Services
- SPAM & Phishing more dangerous
- Link-based 67%
- Compromised websites attachments 33%

**Email security threats**

- North Korea remote workers  
Hired by US companies  
Paid for home Internet
- Prompt injection into resumes  
Near invisible keywords to trigger AI
- Surveillance tower in Mexico  
20 storied high, 1791 license plate readers  
3000 pan-tilt-zoom cameras  
Deal with State of Texas?
- Who repairs your devices?  
<https://www.cbc.ca/news/business/marketplace-tech-repair-snooping-1.7000775>

## Current Issues






Email Update (Required Action)  

 Terms | Privacy <hiddenwood@md.metrocast.net>  
To: user@mail.com



Thu 26-Oct-23 1:17 PM

 Account Limit Update Notice...   
21 KB

View  attached transcript to update.

 Reply

 Forward

**Please No**

We noticed you still haven't installed an **ad blocker**. By **turning one on** your internet browsing will be a heck lot safer, and it can help stop advertisers tracking you online.

- Super Bowl Ad QR Code
- Phishing -> Smishing -> Quishing
- Helpful <-> Harmful
- DON'T SCAN
- Open website, download malware
- Bypass most filters (no words/text/links)
  
- Android QR scanner  
Add to Google Wallet

**Quishing**

- Never Scan QR codes  
Use known good contact methods
- THINK before providing:  
Personal Information  
Banking information  
Brokerage information  
Credit/debit/banking numbers/info
- Unsolicited => information gathering

- Flipper Zero Bluetooth Spam  
Android and Windows  
Spoof advertising packets  
transmit to devices in range  
Non-Stop mode

## Android

Settings > Google > Nearby Share > Off

Settings > Connected Devices > Connection  
Preferences > Nearby Share

## Windows

Settings > Bluetooth & devices > Devices > Device  
settings > Show notifications to connect using Swift  
Pair > Off

# Current Issues

- 23andMe - getting worse?
- Freelance North Korean workers
- Colorado Supreme Court upholds  
Keyword search warrants  
Names of innocent  
constitutionally protected search history
- Google and Apple  
Disable live traffic maps Israel & Gaza
- Pro Russia hackers target Roundcube email services  
Capture email to forward to attacker's server
- CCleaner customer data stolen
- Apple private Wi-Fi MAC address  
iOS 14 – never worked  
Exposed IP addresses when Lockdown mode  
Fixed iOS 17.1
- Microsoft Secure Future Initiative AI

## Current Issues

- SolarWinds RCE vulnerabilities  
Access Rights Manager

Why do I care?

Your data they've collected

Your data they've bought

Your data now sold

**Current Issues**

- SEC Suit
- Failure to publicly disclose alleged cyber security failures
- Thousands of customer organizations  
Nine federal agencies
- 2020
- “publicly disclose vulnerabilities”
- Russia

**SolarWinds**



- YouTube v. Ad Blockers

Should require user consent and notification

Spyware

Re-enable accounts

Delete all personal data so obtained

- Incogni - Personal data removal tool

Regulatory requirement to remove personal data

Time consuming - knowledge of all data sources

180 data sources

Sign-up - give up info you are trying to protect

Tied to VPN provider

No mobile app

One email address

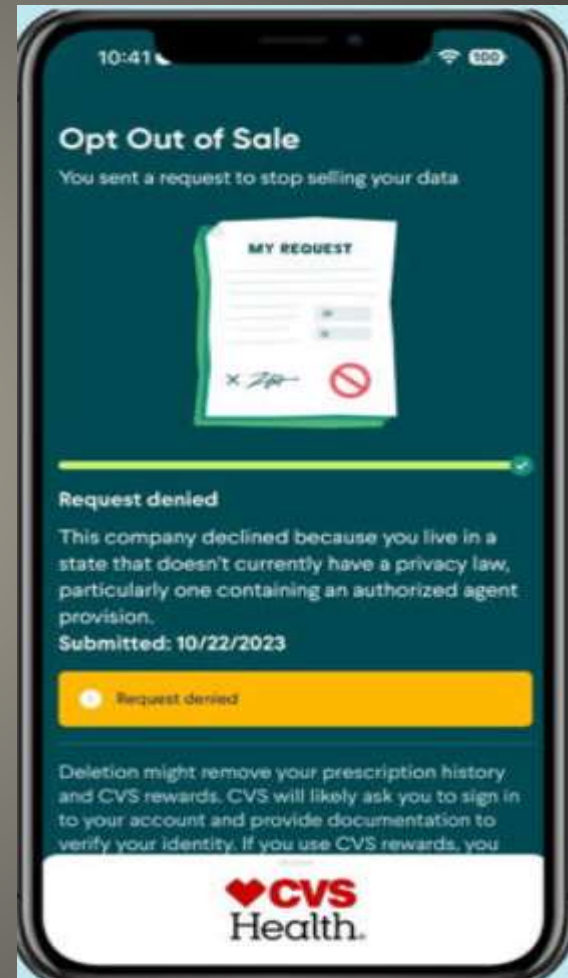
Little detail

**Current Issues**

- Permission Slip by CR
- Every app    Every service    What purpose?
- Yet another data miner?
- "We do not sell your personal information in a way that most people would think of as a sale. However, we do participate in online targeted advertising and use analytics which allows tech companies, in exchange for our use of their services, to use user information collected from our App to improve their own products and to improve the services they provide to others. Under some laws, this is considered our "sale" of your user data to third parties. You can opt-out of this as provided in the "How to Submit a Request" section below."
- Authorized agent
- California law    Colorado law

## **Consumer Reports**

- Time to (re)scrub your personal data
- CVS, Lowes, Yahoo, Spokeo
- Each company
  - What they collect
  - e.g. account info, biometrics, communications, location, demographics, identifiers, jobs & education, purchases, preferences, online tracking, other
- Do Not Sell My Data
- Delete My Account
- Mobile phone
  - Colorado, California, ...
- Other email addresses



**Privacy**

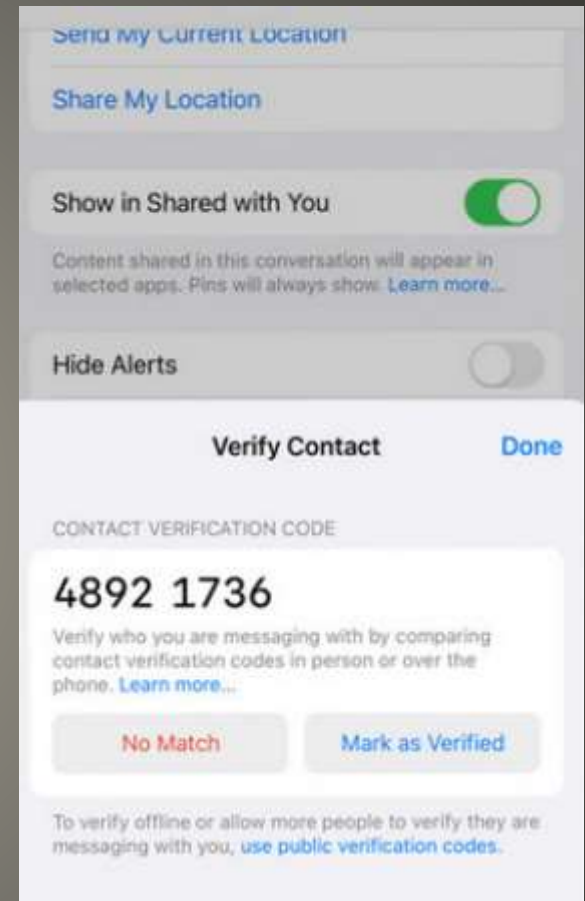
- We give it up
- Public records
- Online activity
  - Cookies, web beacons, device identifiers, ... ..
- Offline activity
  - Physical purchases, subscriptions, surveys, loyalty programs, events attended, ...
- People search services
- Marketing and advertising
- Risk mitigation
- Fraud prevention

**How did they get my personal data?**

- Contact Key Verification - beta
- Opt-in
- Alert iMessage Key distribution service  
unverified key  
new device added
- More secure in person, FaceTime, other
- End-to-end encryption 2011
- iOS 14 BlastDoor
- iOS 16 Lockdown Mode
- iOS 17 CKV

**Apple iMessage**

- Six requirements
  - Secure source of truth
  - Automatically verify
  - Synchronize source of truth
  - Detect Split views
  - Scale
  - Notify users

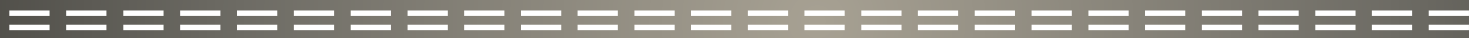


# Apple CKV

- Okta's Support Unit breach  
Cloudflare and 1Password affected
- Wyze Cam v3 firmware RCE flaw  
PoC gives root shell  
Firmware update Oct 22, 2023  
4.36.11.7071  
Network isolation
- Microsoft system level ban unauthorized Xbox accessories  
error 0x82d60002 - you've got 2 weeks  
competitive advantage online games
- VBScript Microsoft support to end
- NTLM protocol to be discontinued
- cURL vulnerabilities

## Current Issues

- Security Features
- Anonymity & Data Protection
- Open Source
- Regular Updates
- User Friendly
- Community & Support



Tails

Qubes OS

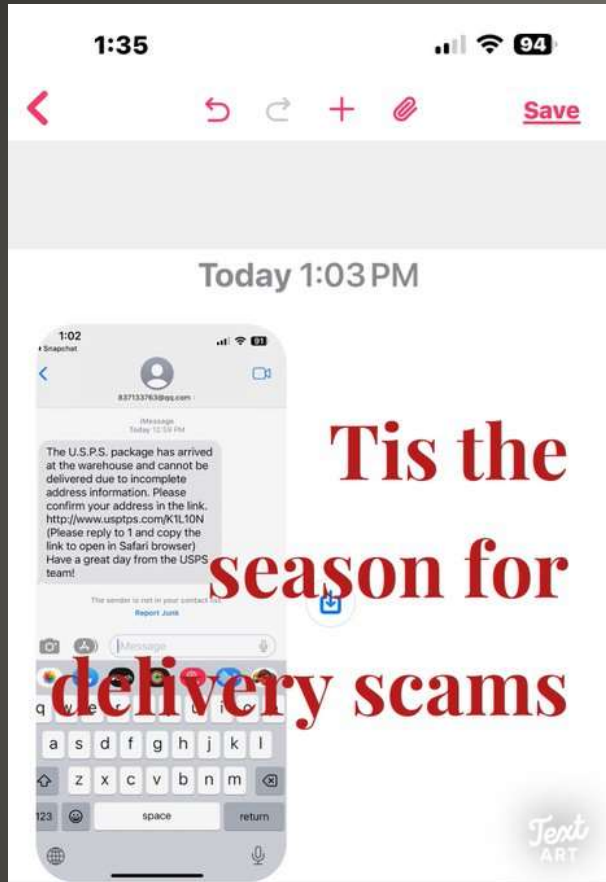
Whonix

Linux Mint with Cinnamon

PureOS

## **Privacy focused Operating Systems**





**VirusTotal**

- 20,000 enterprises
- Wide-scale compromise
- Citrix Netscaler
- October 10 patch available
- Patch & reboot – session tokens persist
- Replay session token – in  
No credentials, no MFA just in  
Junk to crash OpenID, leak memory  
exploited late August
- Not an easy patch
- Cisco --- IOS XE
- Ghidra (NSA tool) before & after patch
- snprintf

## CitrixBleed

- The data leaked, stolen, analysed
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- Is yours and mine and those we care about

**Why do I care?**

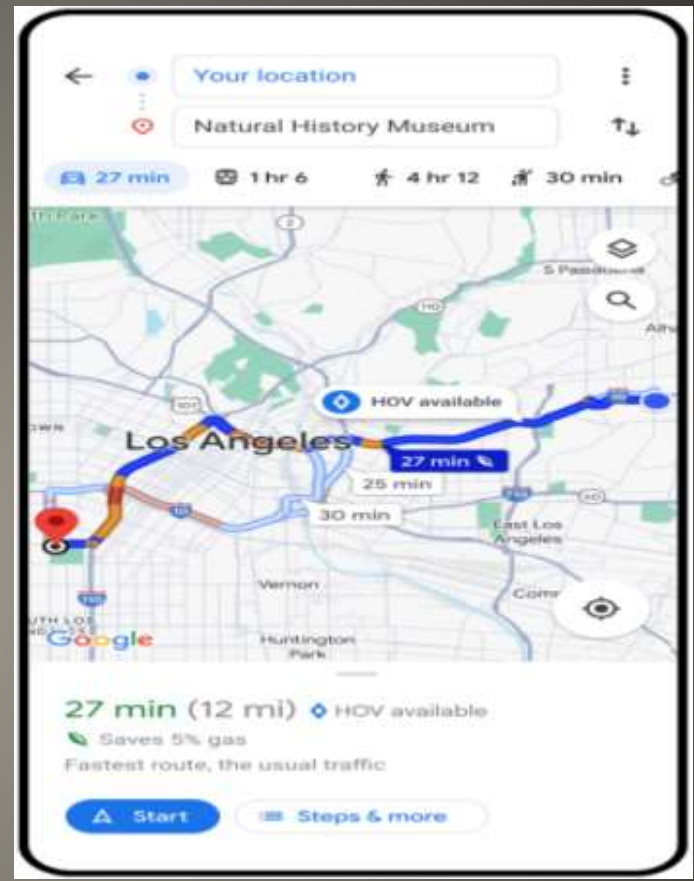
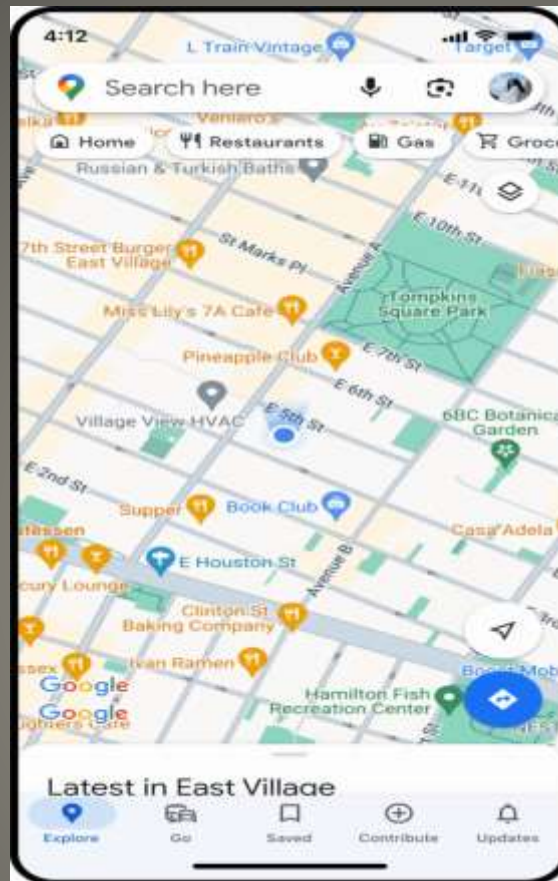
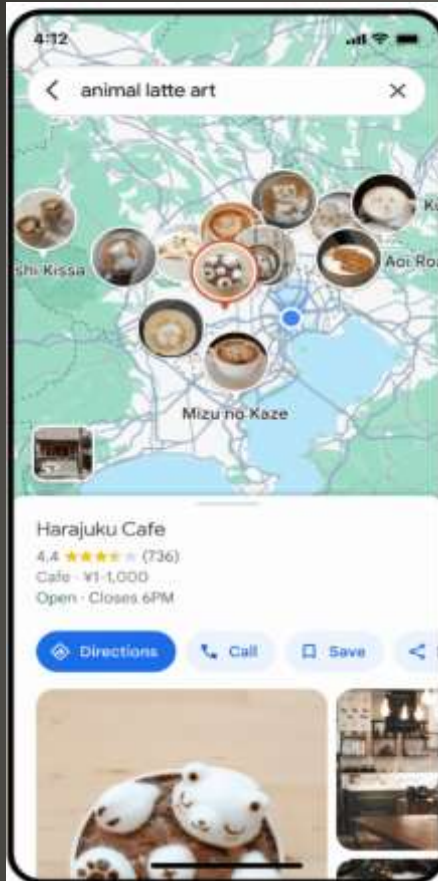
**Artificial Intelligence  
Machine Learning  
Large Language Models**

- Chat GPT Sydney
- AI Hallucination
- AI Emergent Properties
- [IoT Sig AI Presentation](#)

**AI**

- How they are built
  - Intellectual property
- How they work
  - They don't know*
- Emergent Properties
- Hallucination
- Powers of persuasion
- AI Anxiety
- Inaccurate Health information
- Technology Addiction
- Health data Privacy
- Harassment & cyberbullying

**AI more powerful more secretive**



# Google Maps AI boost



**Google Image Verification tool**



- Shutdown

"deactivated Microsoft-generated polls for all news articles" and is "investigating the cause of the inappropriate content."

**Microsoft news article polls**

- Generative AI Attacks

**Google Bug Bounty**

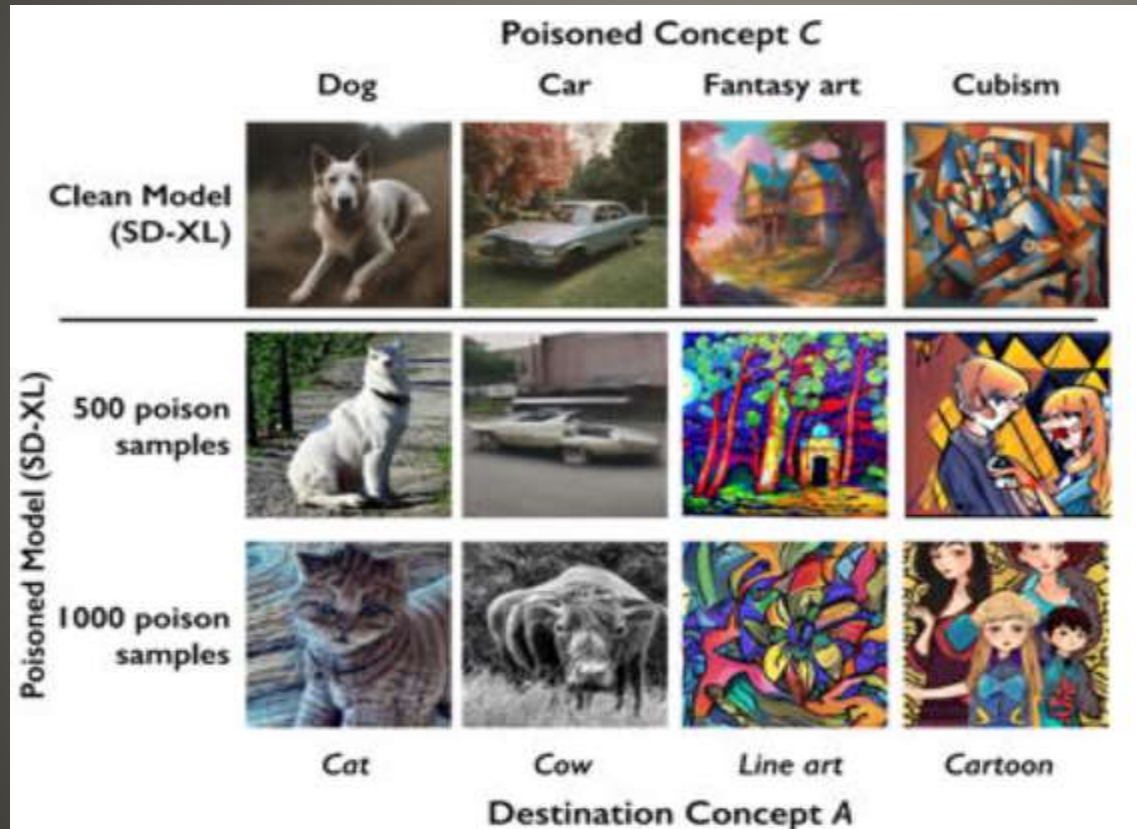
- Chatbots “talk to books”
- Conversational companions
- *Solution Tree*
- *Retrieval Augmented Generation*
- Mary Shelly’s *Frankenstein*
- That monster vs AI monster?
- AI suggests reader might identify with monster loneliness, rejection, desire companionship

**YouAI      Book AI**

- Coding Art & Science
- WatsonX IBM training on company data
- Privacy and Regulatory requirements
- Watson Code Assistant
- Decades old Cobol (1959)
- 70% global banking apps Cobol & mainframe
- Who knows Cobol?
- Convert Cobol – Java
- On Mainframe

**WatsonX**

- “poison” Images
- “Confuse” AI



**Nightshade**

- Math focused Open Source AI

**LLEMMA**

- Video game
- Created ChatGPT, Midjourney, DALL-E 3

**Angry Pumpkins**

- Rethinking smart phone
- Last presentation 10-19-2023

**Humane AI Pin**



- “All Tools” - less context switching
- Enhanced document analysis capabilities  
PDF
- Updated knowledge cutoff date
- DALL-E 3
- DevDay event
- ChatGPT Plus

Your GPT-4 has been updated



**Upload many types of documents**

Work with PDFs, data files, or any document you want to analyze. Just upload and start asking questions.



**Use Tools without switching**

Access to Browsing, Advanced Data Analysis, and DALL-E is now automatic. (if preferred, manual selection is still available under GPT-4.)

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# Multimodal GPT-4

- New Standards for AI Safety and Security
- Protecting Americans' Privacy
- Advancing Equity and Civil Rights
- Standing Up for Consumers, Patients, and Students
- Supporting Workers
- Promoting Innovation and Competition
- Advancing American Leadership Abroad
- Ensuring Responsible and Effective Government Use of AI

## **Biden Administration**

### **AI Executive Order**

- Cloud computing presentation from ChatGPT please
- LinkedIn followed up with cloud message Oracle Cloud
- The ChatGPT presentation was point on

**AI & me**

- Anonymous and secure AI chatbot
- Leo
- Brave browser 1.60

**Brave**

- Google DeepMind AI lab co-founder
- 2028 50-50%
- Computational power growth
- Data quality growth
  
- The measure of human intelligence?
  
- The lifetime
- Power consumption
  
  
- EMP

**Artificial General Intelligence**

- Recovery Seminar - soon
- Helpful < - > Harmful
- Awareness, Preparedness, Understanding

Computer Club, Help Center, SIGs,  
Presentations, classes

Cyber Security SIG meetings, NEWSBLOG  
Internet

- Questions, suggestions, comments?

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