

RFID Hacking: Reconsidering Physical Security

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Today's Agenda

- Introduction
- Demonstration/Show & Tell
- Recommendations
- Question/Answer & Closing Remarks

Show of Hands:
How many of you...

Have back office and
other sensitive areas
protected by RFID?

Show of Hands:
How many of you...

Have exterior doors
protected by RFID?

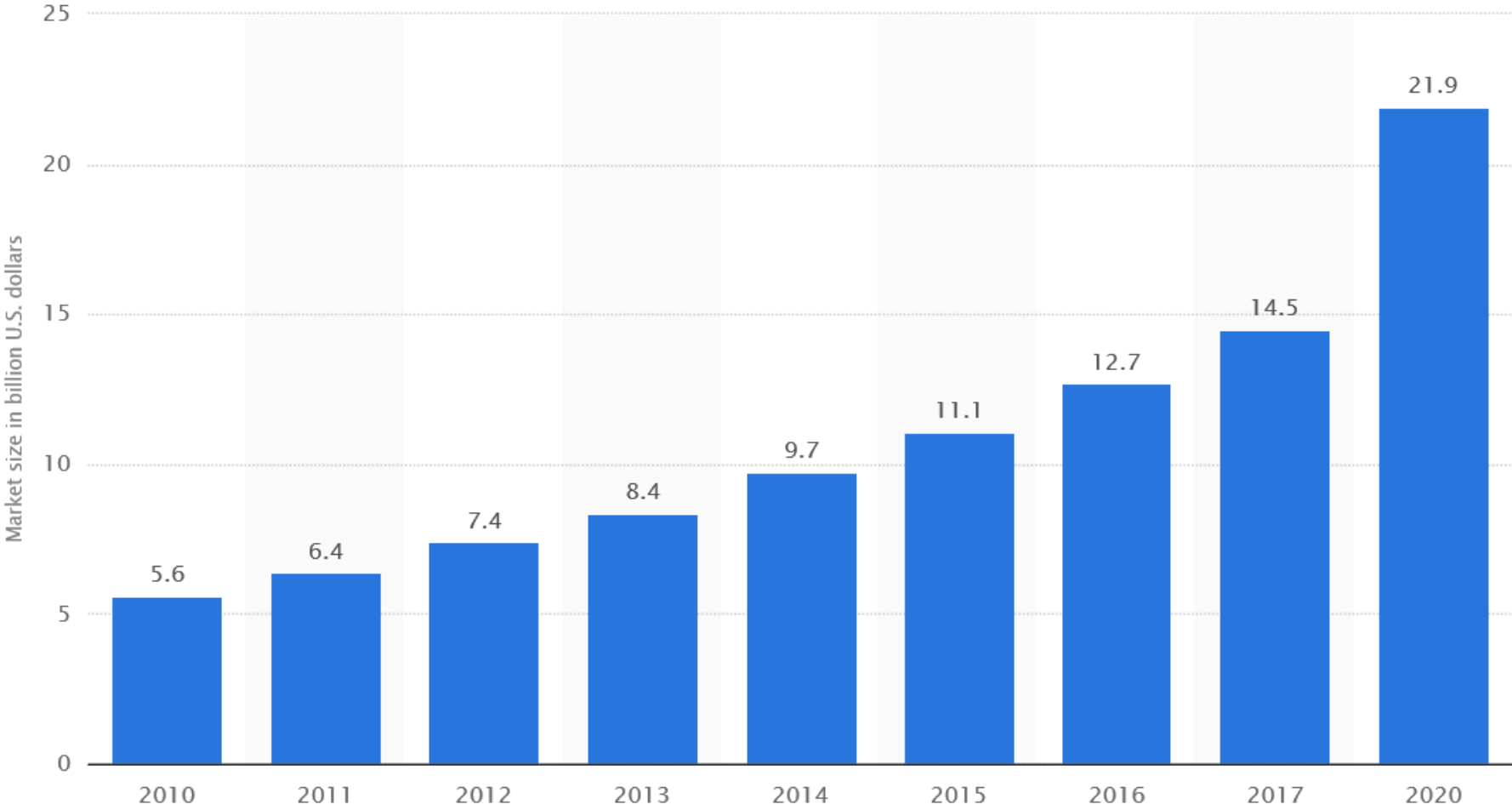
Show of Hands:
How many of you...

Have your server room
protected by RFID?

Projected size of the global market for RFID tags from 2010 to 2020 (in billion U.S. dollars)

This statistic represents the market size for RFID tags from 2010 to 2012, and gives a projection through 2020. In 2010, the global market for RFID tags was sized at around 5.6 billion U.S. dollars.

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Introduction: RFID Basics

Frequencies:

1. Low (LF)
2. High (HF)
3. Ultra-High (UHF)

Fun fact: Between 70-80% of all physical access RFID devices in US use low frequency.

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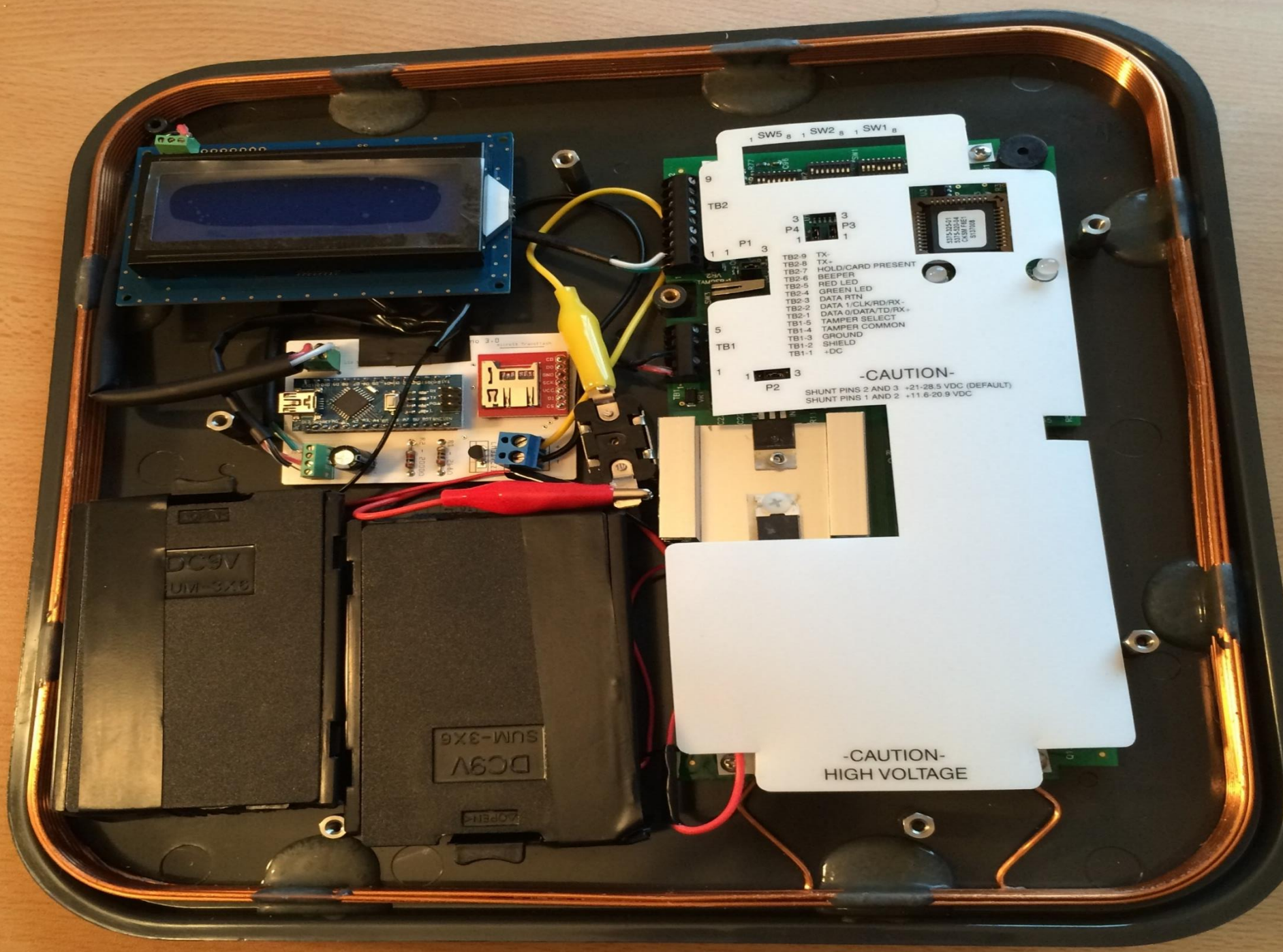
Not so fun fact: Low frequency RFID has been hacked and is insecure.

Video Demonstration: Summary

1. Passively steal RFID keycard data.
2. Create card with stolen data.
3. Gain entry and execute exploit.

Video Demonstration: Tools

- **Tastic RFID Thief**
Sniff card data and store to SD card
- **Proxmark3**
Copy RFID card
- **Rubber Ducky**
USB to bypass antivirus and gather credentials
- **Mimikatz**
Software that extracts Windows passwords



1 SW5 8 1 SW2 8 1 SW1 8

TB2

3 P4 3 P3

1 1 1

5

TB1

1 1 3

P2

TB2-9 TX+
TB2-7 HOLD/CARD PRESENT
TB2-6 BEEPER
TB2-5 RED LED
TB2-4 GREEN LED
TB2-3 DATA RTN
TB2-2 DATA I/CLK/RD/RX-
TB2-1 DATA O/DATA/TD/RX+
TB1-5 TAMPER SELECT
TB1-4 TAMPER COMMON
TB1-3 SHIELD
TB1-2 SHIELD
TB1-1 +DC

-CAUTION-
SHUNT PINS 2 AND 3 +21-28.5 VDC (DEFAULT)
SHUNT PINS 1 AND 2 +11.6-20.9 VDC

**-CAUTION-
HIGH VOLTAGE**





- Reverse Shell binary injection
- Powershell wget & execute
- Retrieve SAM and SYSTEM
- Create Wireless Association

payload generator.
 Carry multiple payloads, each on its own micro SD card.

Load

the micro SD card into the ducky then place
 in a target machine...

Deploy

the ducky on any target Windows, Mac
 and Linux machine and watch as your
 payloads in mere seconds.



Micro SD Storage

60 MHz 32-bit
 AT32UC3B1256

Type A Connector

Covert Enclosure

Video Demonstration: RFIDecoder

Disclaimer: This video was created for educational purposes only. No illegal entry or data compromise occurred during the making of this video.

Next Steps (for an attacker)...

1. Introduce a USB device that automatically dumps Windows passwords (Rubber Ducky)
2. Bypass antivirus using procmon (developed by Microsoft) to gather system memory and later extract Windows passwords in cleartext (Mimikatz)
3. Plant malicious device/backdoor to extract data to remote location (Raspberry Pi)

Recommendations

Use RFID shield wallet cards

Do not wear RFID card in plain view (if your ID card is an RFID card, consider using two separate cards)

Recommendations

Monitor access with cameras

Use a two-factor authentication
(RFID + keypad, lock/key, etc.)

Recommendations

Upgrade RFID systems to use more secure protocols (i.e. higher frequency)

Enhance testing methodologies to incorporate physical security with vulnerability assessments and social engineering

Recommendations

Disable USB ports and create a whitelist of approved devices

Monitor all log files

Closing Remarks

“Don’t forget physical security. Not all data thefts happen online. Criminals will tamper with computers or payment terminals or steal boxes of printouts.”

Executive Summary to 2014 Data Breach Investigations Report
Verizon



Closing Remarks

“To be sure, RFID is still widely used in retail and shipping today. It’s even at the heart of near field communication — the technology that powers Apple Pay and other contact-less payment systems.”

Before Apple Pay, There Was That Thing Called RFID
WIRED Magazine



Question & Answer

Credits

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Francis Brown, Partner

Bishop Fox

Live Free or RFID Hard, August 2013

BlackHat 2013 & DEF CON 21



Resources

Bishop Fox

Presentations surrounding RFID security

<http://www.bishopfox.com/resources/tools/rfid-hacking/presentation-slides/>

Proxmark

RFID cloning hardware

<http://www.proxmark.org>

Resources

SecurityTube

Instructional Videos

<http://www.securitytube.net>

Statista.com

RFID Market Statistics

<http://www.statista.com/statistics/299966/size-of-the-global-rfid-market/>

Resources

Verizon 2014 Data Breach Investigations Report

2014 Breach Statistics by Type and Industry

<http://www.verizonenterprise.com/DBIR/2014/>

WIRED Magazine

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Thank You!

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