

PWC G8 Gals@Technology

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Misc Items and Questions



Iowa – Bad Code is Easy to Write!



- App not locked down to certified devices with known identities
- Android platform which makes it difficult to have a single version
- Server communication problems not well tested
 - Iowa (like Indiana) has many rural area communication challenges
 - Various scenarios not well tested (if at all)
- General security weakness in the app. (not well trained professionals)
- Personal website URLs still in code. Code not "cleaned".
- Copies of the code EASY to obtain and examine (hacker target)
- BTW Ebay currently selling voting machines used throughout USA

Facebook Privacy

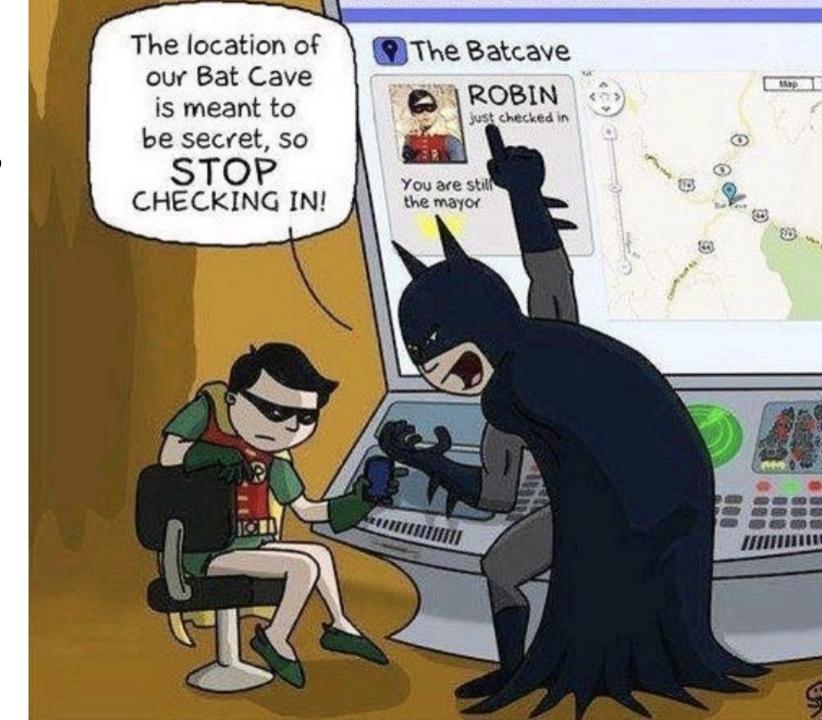
- Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF)
- How to Change Your Off-Facebook Activity Settings
- Information on "Manage Future Activity"



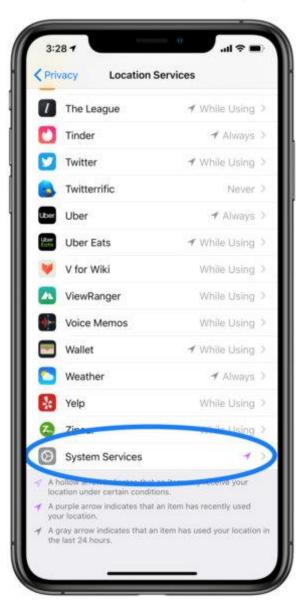
• https://www.eff.org/deeplinks/2020/01/how-change-your-facebook-activity-settings

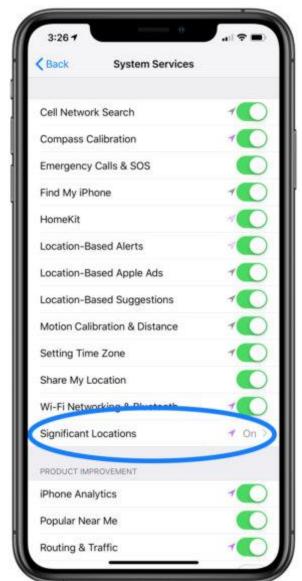
Location Services

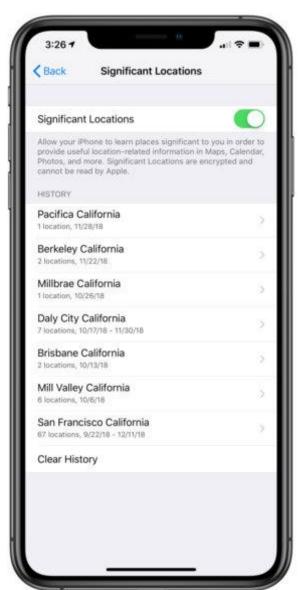
- Facebook posts/check-in
- Twitter
- Windows 10
- Mac OS
- Photo metadata
- iPhone
 - Find my iPhone
 - Share my location
 - Significant Locations



iPhone Significant Locations











Google Photos Testing New Subscription

- Targeted for people who want physical photo memories
- \$8/month Google will send 10 prints that are "automatically selected from your last 30 days of photos"
- Tailored selections themes
 - People and Pets
 - Landscapes
 - "a little bit of everything"
- Google also interfaces directly with Walmart and CVS Pharmacy for direct photo printing

Windows 7 is Dead

- Windows 7 will continue to function
- No more Microsoft support (aka patches)
- All major anti-virus vendors will continue to support Windows 7 for at least 2 more years
- You can still upgrade to Windows 10 from Win 7, 8, or 8.1 for free even though that program ended in July 2016



• https://www.cnet.com/how-to/you-can-download-windows-10-free-you-should-because-windows-7-dead/

Windows 10 Versions

- Home
- Pro
- Pro for Workstations
- Education (Academic Volume Licensing)
- Pro Education (K-12 school target)
- "S" (only load items for Microsoft Store)



Windows 10 Pricing

- Home OEM DVD \$85 \$129 (Amazon)
- Pro OEM DVD \$113 \$192 (Amazon)
- Download w/o license is free from Microsoft
 https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/software-download/windows10
- Inexpensive and "legal" Microsoft keys \$20-\$40

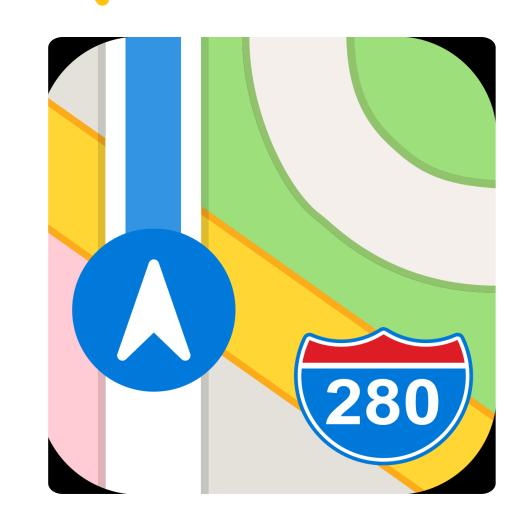
https://www.kinguin.net/category/22175/windows-10-home-oem-key

https://www.pcworld.com/article/3400840/ how-to-get-windows-10-cheap-or-even-for-free.html



Apple Maps

- New version announced with iOS
 13 is now fully deployed
- Share your ETA with a contact and they stay updated on your progress. Sends messages to noniOS devices! Trigger is more than 5 minutes late.
- New feature called "Look Around" that is like Google "Street View"



Browser War Takes A Turn

- Chrome accounts for 64% of browser usage
- Microsoft announces "New Edge" (Version 80)
- Microsoft replaced old "Trident" engine with opensource Chromium engine
- Edge and Google Chrome are now siblings
- Edge add features from Chrome
- Microsoft contributes code to Chromium that will move into Chrome. Good move to "open web"
- https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/edge



When is it Time for a New Phone?

- Physically damaged (average repair \$125)
- Battery develops "charge memory" (new battery < \$100)
- Age 5-7 year "lifetime"
- Changing carriers
- New features available
 - Size
 - Camera
 - Connectivity (5G)
 - Folding!!



Can I Repair My Phone Myself?

- Yes, but
- Need correct tools (iFixIt tools \$25)
- Screens \$30-\$100, based on age
- Battery \$25
- YouTube video instructions
- First repair is a learning experience



Unlocked Cell Phone

- A phone that can be used on any cell phone carrier
- Verizon, T-Mobile, AT&T, and Sprint are usually "locked" even if you don't buy the branded phone directly from the carrier
- Not all phones can be unlocked
- Unlocked phones use a SIM card inside
- Amazon and Best Buy sell unlocked cell phones
- Unlocking doesn't switch between radio technology GSM v CDMA
- My opinion don't try to unlock a locked phone. Purchase an unlocked phone if you want to go that route.



Why are there always new "Updates"?

- Mostly to correct bugs
 - New functionality
 - Security fixes
- New features to attract new users
- To support new hardware
- Best to stay within 1-2 month window
- Getting easier to control "unexpected updates"
- Pick a time that works overnight, weekends
- Some updates can take a number of hours



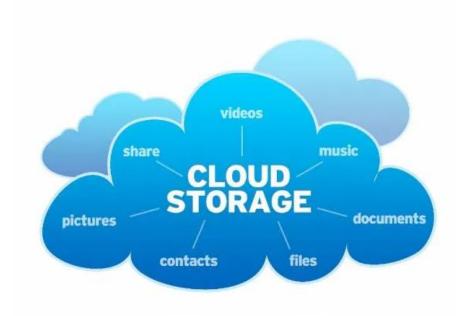
Cutting The Cord?



- Content is King!
- Hulu and YouTubeTV current leaders for general content
- Disney+, AppleTV+, Amazon for specific original content
- DVR space and number of streams are factors
- Hardware SmartTV, Roku, AppleTV, Amazon Fire
- Guide and single remote still challenging

Is Cloud Storage Safe?

- Yes but ...
- Use encrypted content for sensitive data
 - Native to provider like Carbonite
 - Use WinZip to encrypt
- Cloud storage business stability
 - Amazon
 - Google
 - Microsoft
 - Apple
 - Maybe Carbonite ...
- Interesting legal issues still exist
- ALWAYS have a non-cloud backup



Passwords??!!

How long will it take to crack your password?

Length of Password (Chars)	Only Numbers	Mixed Lower and Upper case alphabets	Mixed numbers, Lower and Upper case aplhabets	Mixed numbers, Lower and Upper case aplhabets , symbols
3	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly
4	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly
5	Instantly	Instantly	3 secs	10 secs
6	Instantly	8 secs	3 mins	13 mins
7	Instantly	5 mins	3 hours	17 hours
8	Instantly	3 hours	10 days	57 days
9	4 secs		153 days	
10	40 secs	169 days	1 year	928 years
11	6 mins	16 years	106 years	71k years
12	1 hour		6k years	
13	11 hours		108k years	
14	4 days	778k years	25m years	5bn years
15	46 days		1bn years	2tn years
16	1 year	1bn years	97bn years	
17			6tn years	
18	126 years	1tn years	374tn years	1qt years



Two-Factor Authentication (2FA) Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)

- Something you have + something you know
- Multi-factor authentication is an authentication method in which a computer user is granted access only after successfully presenting two or more pieces of evidence to an authentication mechanism: knowledge, possession, and inherence.



VERIFY

PASSWORD

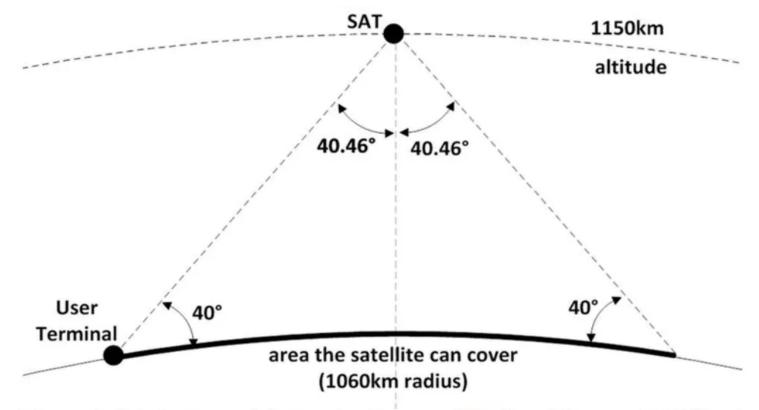


Figure A.3.1-1: Steerable Service Range of Ku-band Beams (1,150 km)

Is Satellite Internet Real?

- SpaceX Starlink
- 302 in orbit, more every 3 weeks
- 12,000 by mid-2020
 - 7500 at 340km (210 m)
 - 1600 at 550km (340 m)
 - 2800 at 1150km (710 m)
- User antenna about the size of a pizza box
- OneWeb and Boeing are main competition

What's the "Next Big Thing"?

- Non-contact wireless power
 - Medical devices
 - Internet-of-Things
- AR (Augmented Reality)
 - Heads up displays
 - AR glasses as primary interface
- Internet for everyone (Satellite or 5G)



