



Bugs & Kisses

Spying on BlackBerry users for fun



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Social Engineering

The clever manipulation of the natural human tendency to trust.

“There’s one born every minute.”



There's always a chance you will get 0wned.







Push Email

QWERTY Keyboard

Granular Security Controls

Transport Level Security

Device Encryption

Granular Controls

Allow or deny access to User Data

Allow or deny access to Application
Interaction

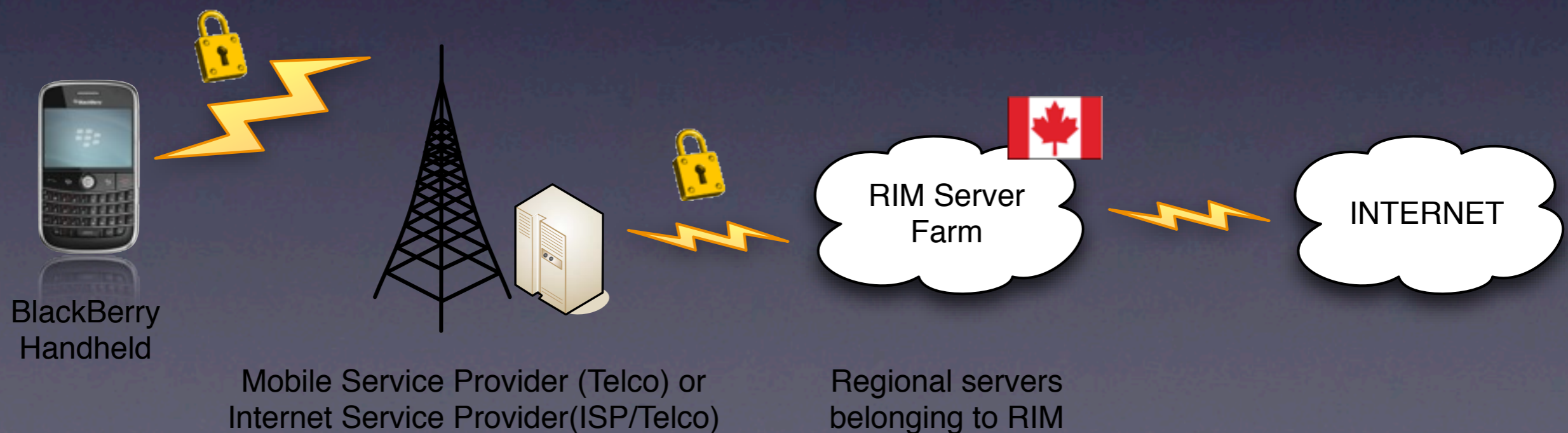
Allow or deny access to Internet
Connectivity

Transport Security

Traffic is encrypted up to RIM in Canada

Cannot MITM

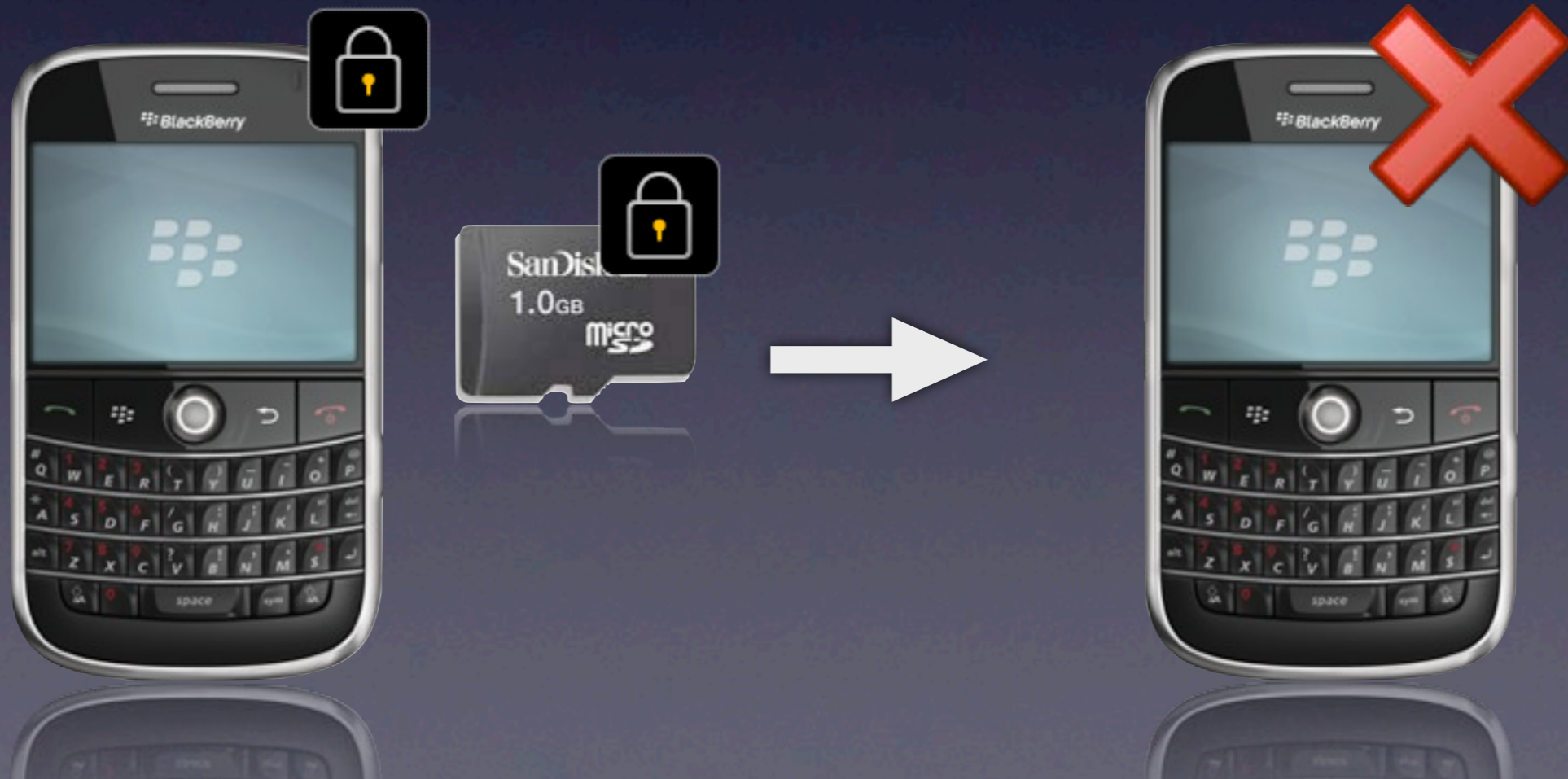
Even HTTP traffic goes over a tunnel



Device Encryption

Memory and micro-SD card cannot be read on another device

Stolen, encrypted devices are still safe





Granular Security Controls
Transport Level Security
Device Encryption

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Personal Information?



Personal (read 'naughty') pictures



Private text messages



Emails with passwords, contracts,
personal info



Phone Call Logs; who have you been
calling?

A Few Problems

We can't hack it - no useful vulnerabilities

We can't MITM - everything is encrypted

We could steal it...

APIs



Text Messages

Package: **javax.wireless.messaging**

Interface: **MessageListener**

Methods: **setMessageListener()**

- Receive and Send SMS messages without owner's knowledge





Demo

Bugs

Posts email to TROOPERS 10 - Wall of Geese

Download:

<http://www.zensay.com/Bugs.jad>

Wall of Geese:

[http://www.zensay.com/
geese.php](http://www.zensay.com/geese.php)



APIs



Email Messages



Package: **net.rim.blackberry.api.mail.event**

Interface: **FolderListener**

Methods: **messagesAdded()**

- Intercept and forward all emails on the BlackBerry handheld
- Send spoofed email from the device

APIs



Remote Listening

Package: **net.rim.blackberry.api.phone**

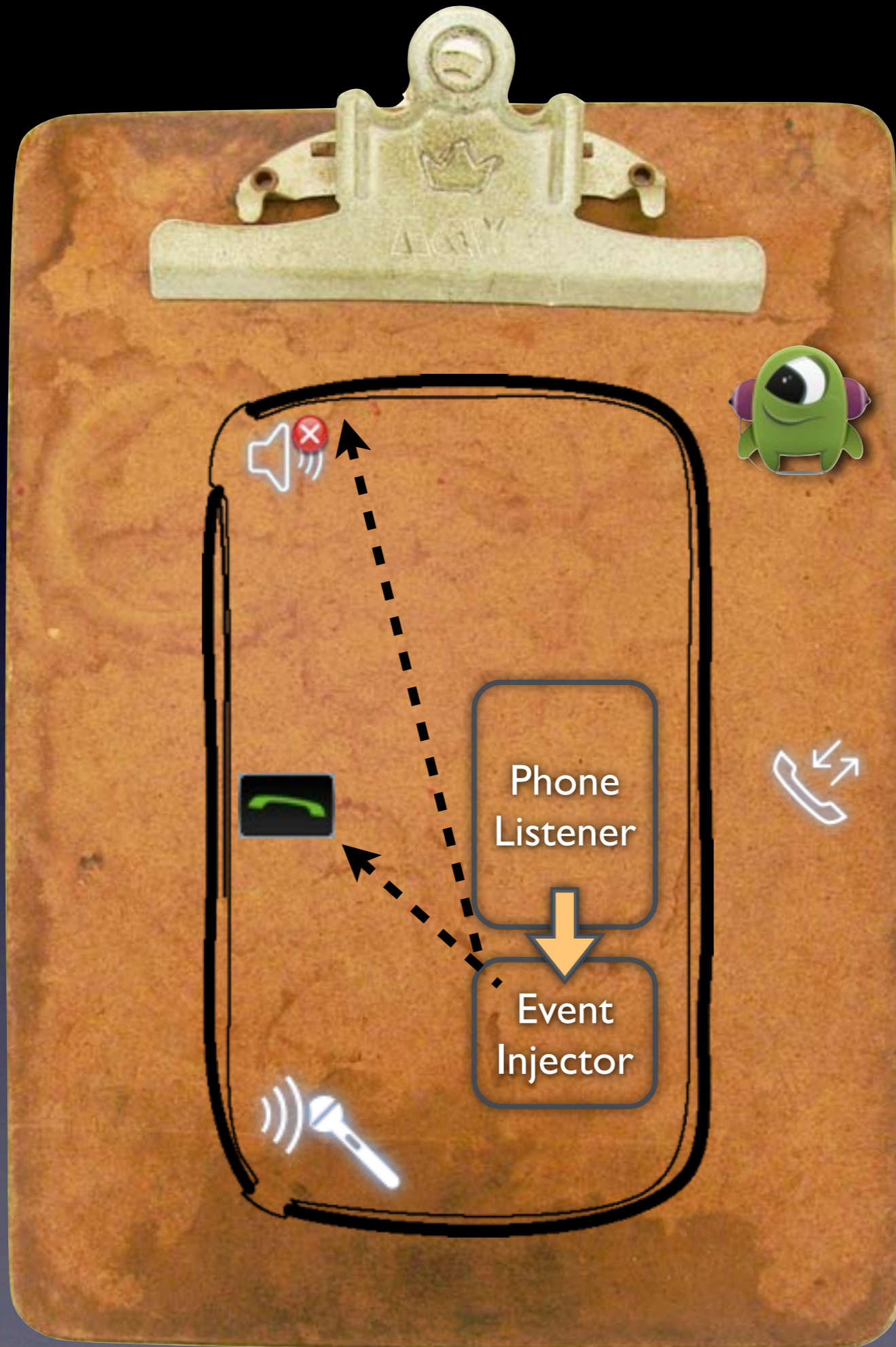


Interface: **PhoneListener**

Methods: **EventInjector.invokeEvent()**

- Silently intercept phone call, turn microphone on and listen in
- Portable bugging device





Demo

APIs



Remote Listening Part 2

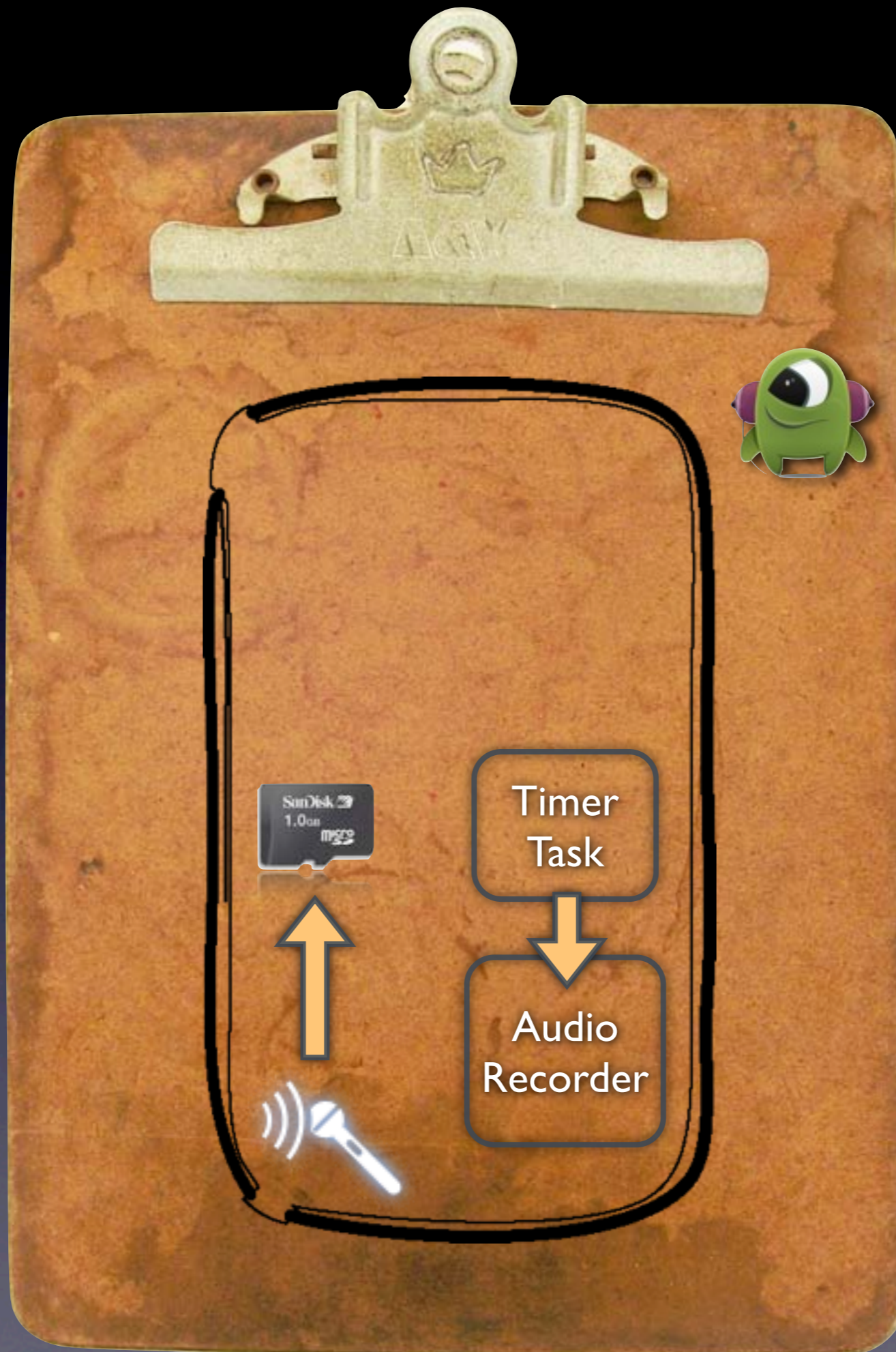
Package: **javax.microedition.media**

Interface: **Player / RecordControl**

Methods: **RecordControl.startRecord()**

- Switch on microphone at timed intervals and record ambient sounds
- Save to SD Card or Memory and extract periodically





APIs



Camera

Package: **javax.microedition.media.control**

Interface: **VideoControl**

Methods: **getSnapshot()**

- Capture image from built-in camera
- Gives you a clue as to where the victim is



APIs



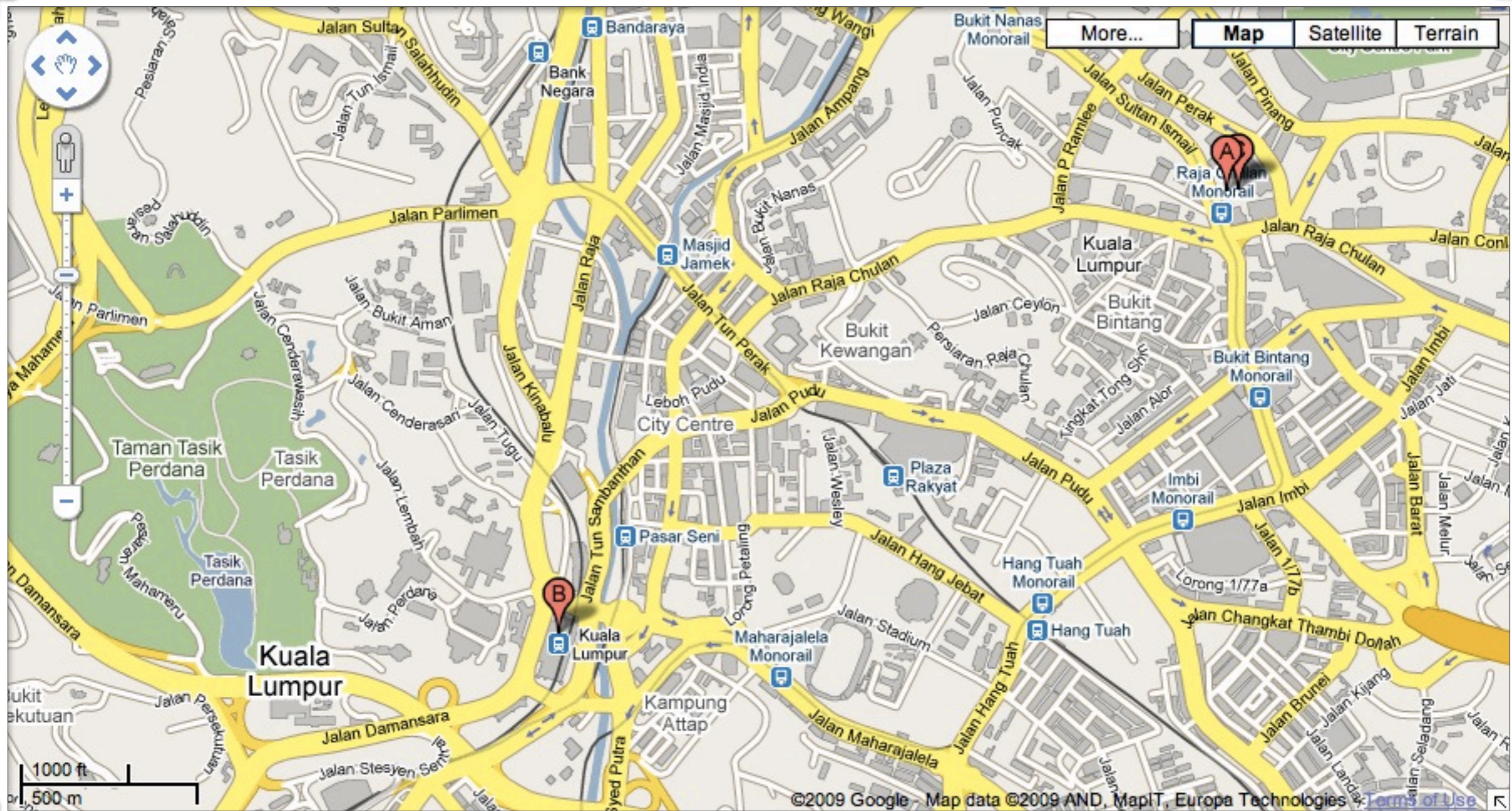
Location Based Services

Package: **javax.microedition.location**

Class: **Location**

Methods: **getQualifiedCoordinates()**

- Track the location of the victim
- Either time based checking or trigger based



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BlackJacking

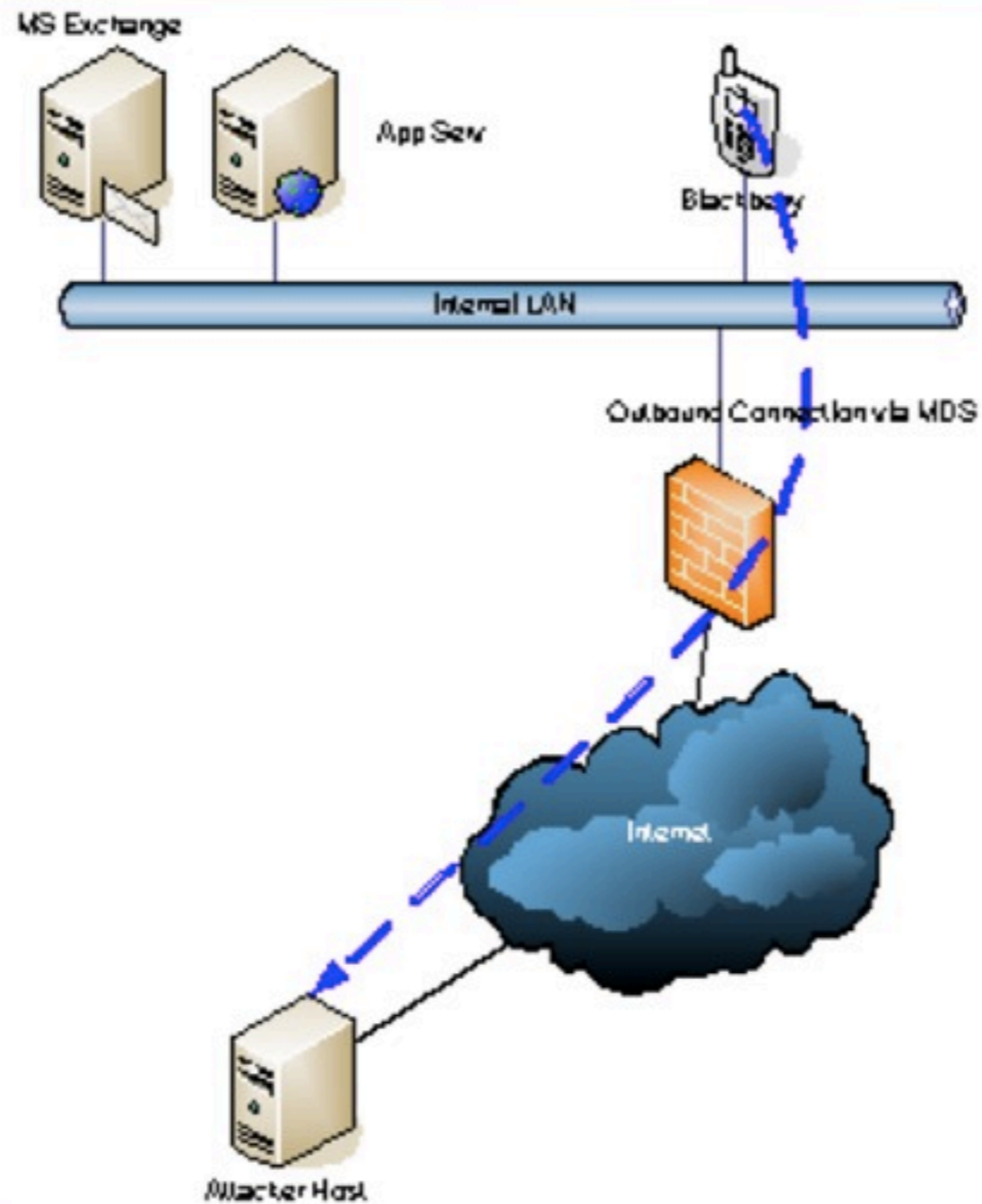
Attack Enterprise networks

Provide direct access to the internal network

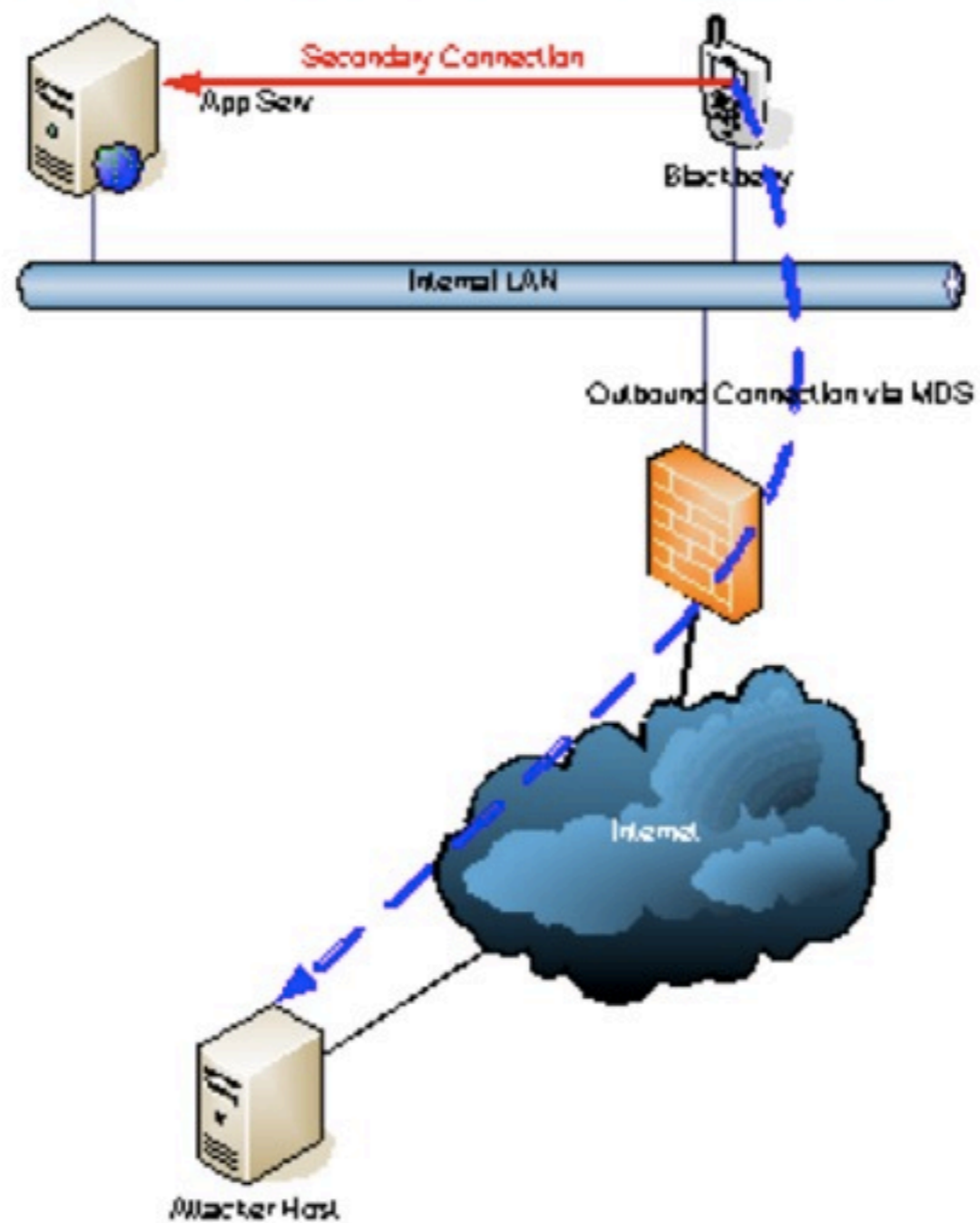
Use a BlackBerry to proxy connections

Tool released called BBProxy

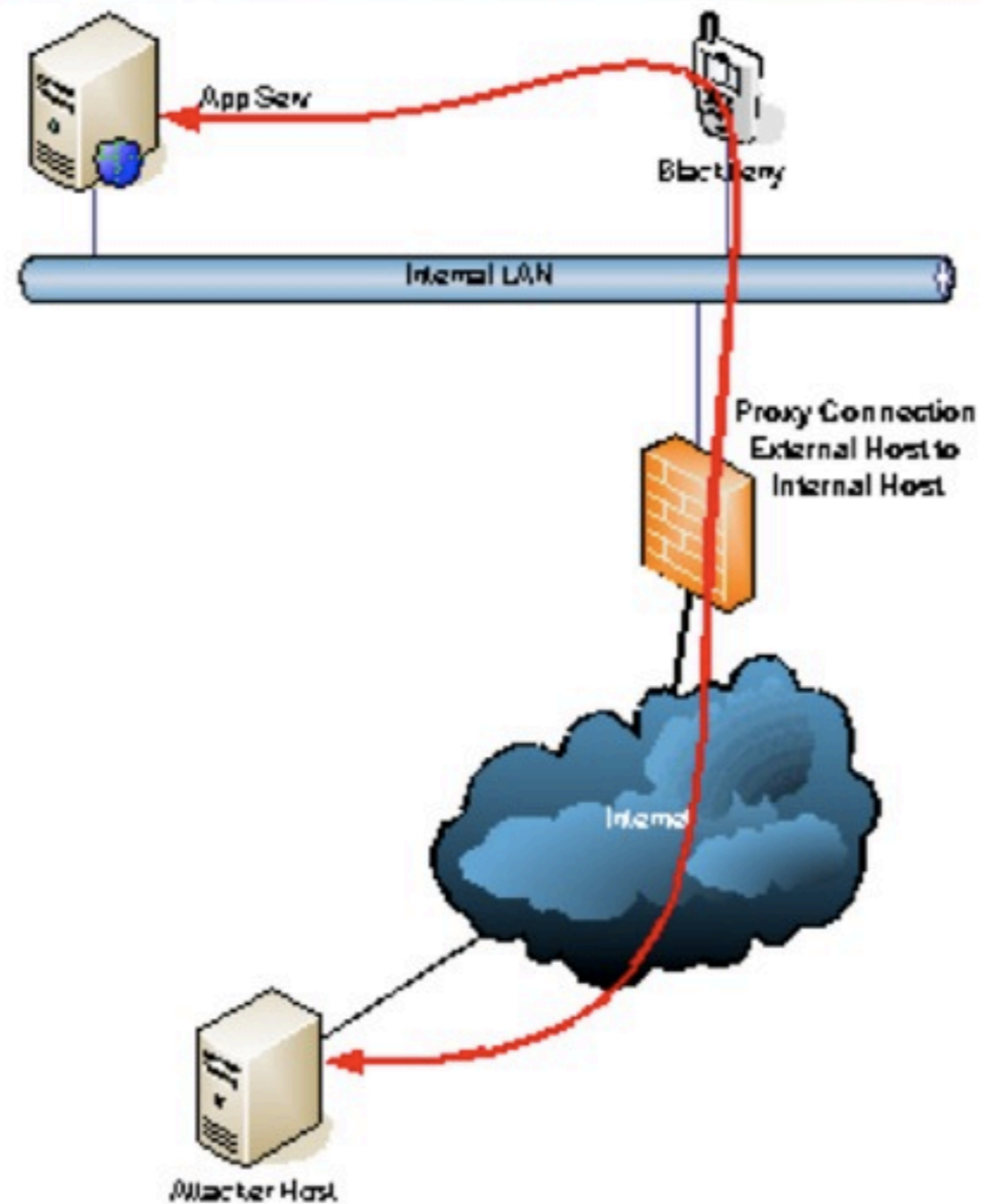
Step 1 – External Connection



Step 2 – Secondary Connection



Step 3 — Proxy connection between external and internal host



Other hacks

Steal contact information

Alter contact information, change email information, change meeting dates

Run up a victims phone bill by making international calls

Use victims phone to send bulk SMS messages

i can haz pwnage? kthx

Physically install the spyware on the device

Develop a game (too much work), or
develop a simple slideshow with pr0n

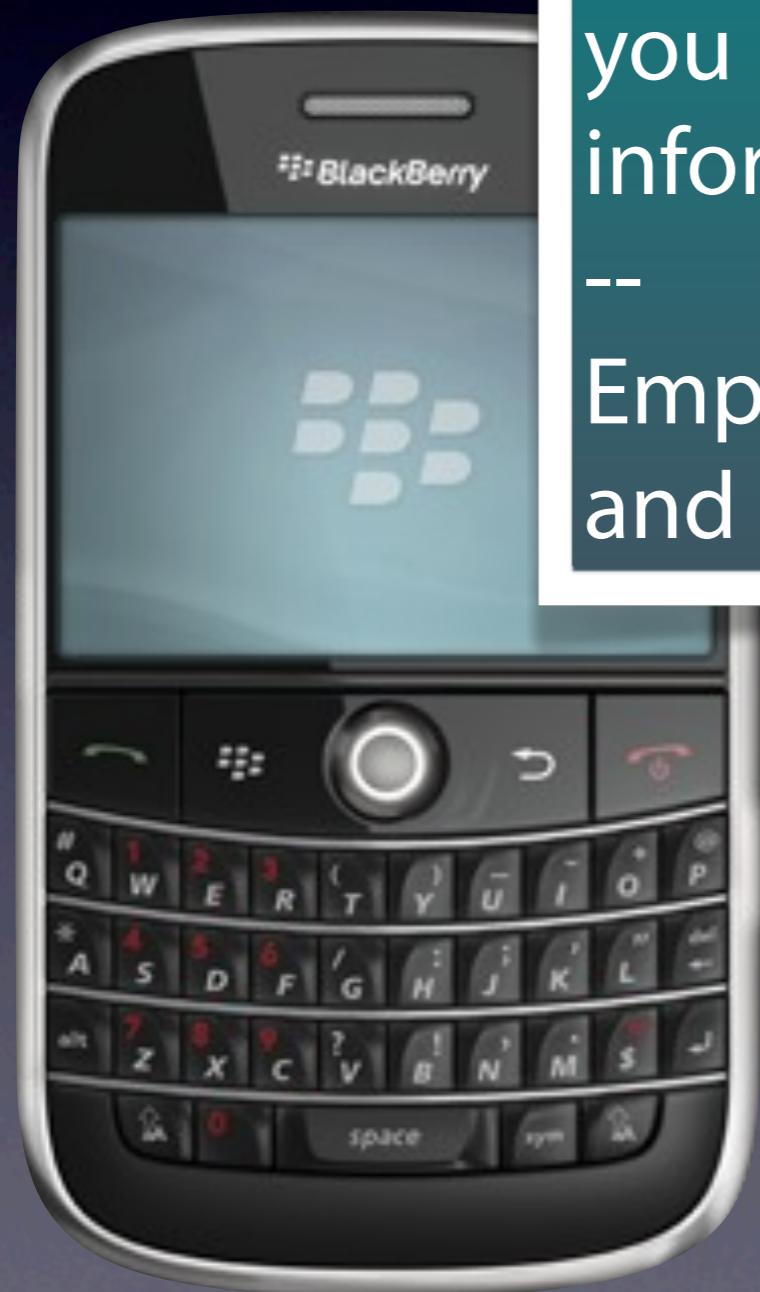
Push a message indicating that the user
should download an upgrade



Dear Etisalat BlackBerry Customer,
Etisalat is always keen to provide you with the best BlackBerry service and ultimate experience, for that we will be sending you a performance enhancement patch that you need to install on your device. For more information, please call 101

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Empower your Business with BlackBerry®
and Mobile Solutions from Etisalat"



How did it work?

Hidden from Applications list

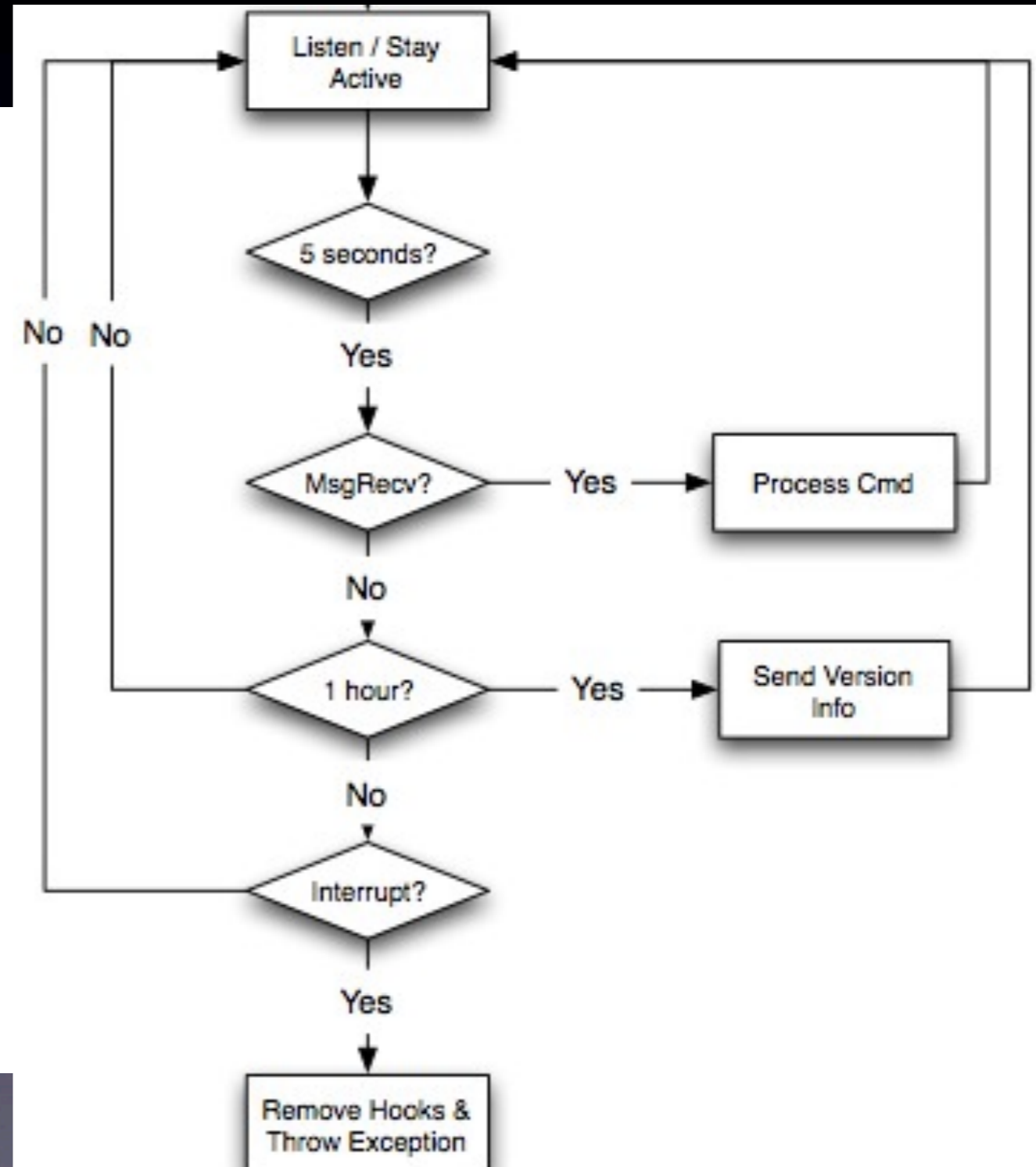
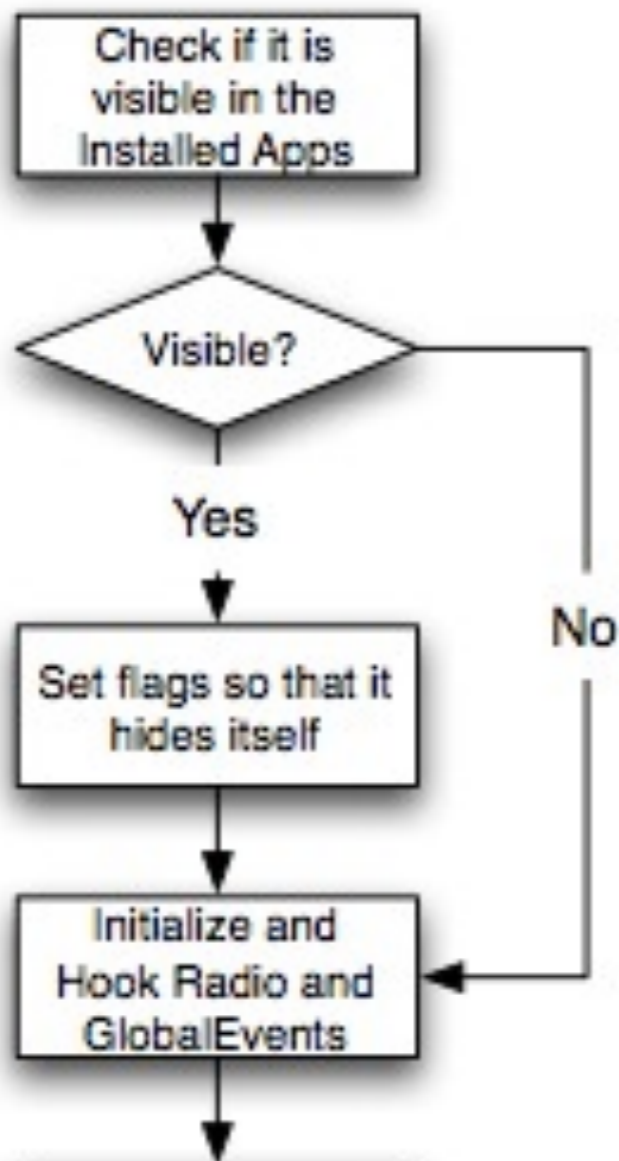
Starts off dormant

Has a command channel

Listens for message sent by "Customer Service"

Will forward all outgoing emails to a server

How did it work?



Problems

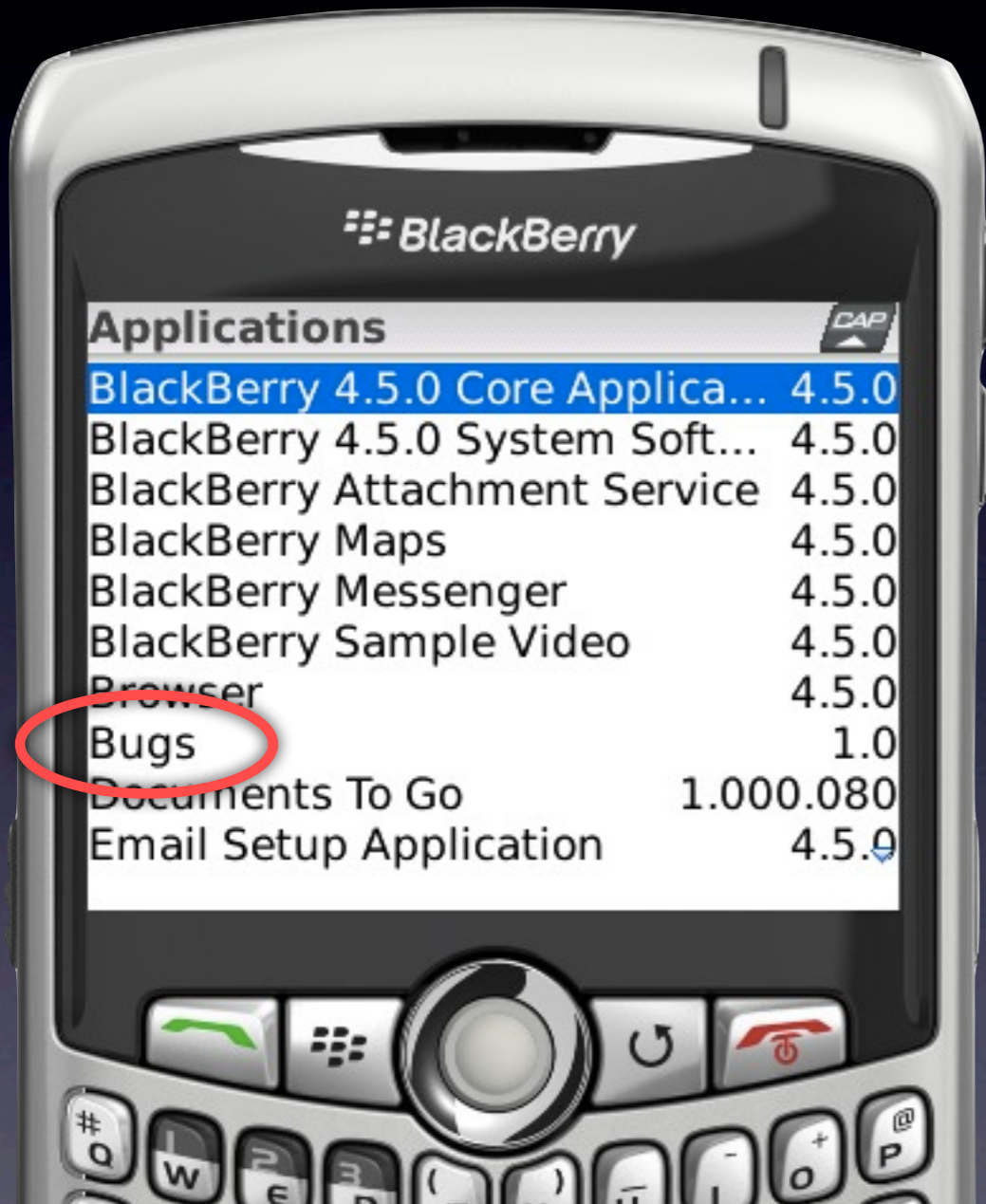
Constantly poll the message queue

Source code was available...sort of

Back end server collapsed

Berries slowed down, over heated and drained battery

How well hidden?



How well hidden?

```
CodeModuleGroup cmg =  
CodeModuleGroupManager.Load("Bugs");  
cmg.setFlag  
(CodeModuleGroup.FLAG_HIDDEN, true);
```



Kisses

Finds Bugs & other similar, hidden software

Simplifies the search for hidden apps.

Version 2.0 will be out next week!

Download:

<http://www.zensay.com/Kisses.jad>



Kisses

Works on Signature based detection

Allows a user to submit phone data for analysis

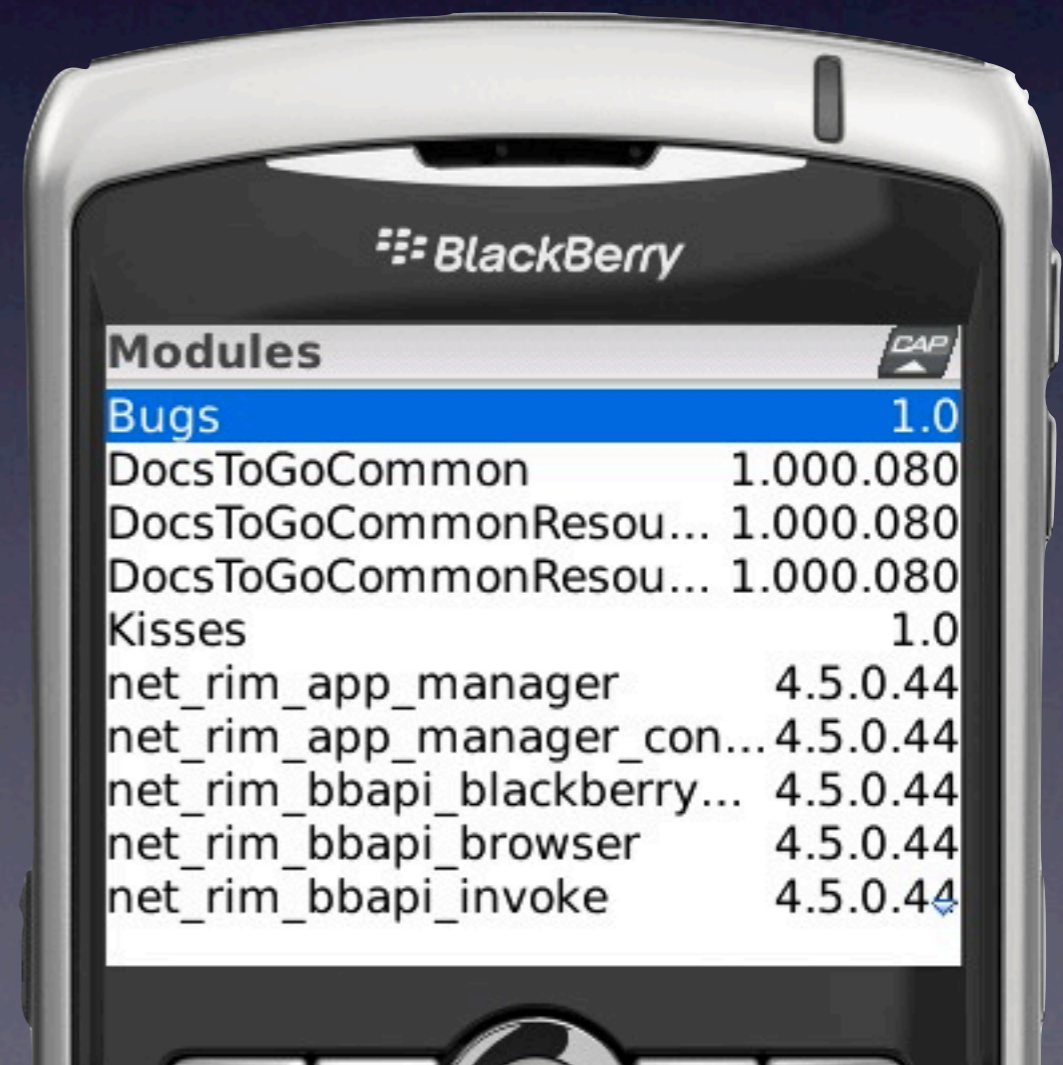
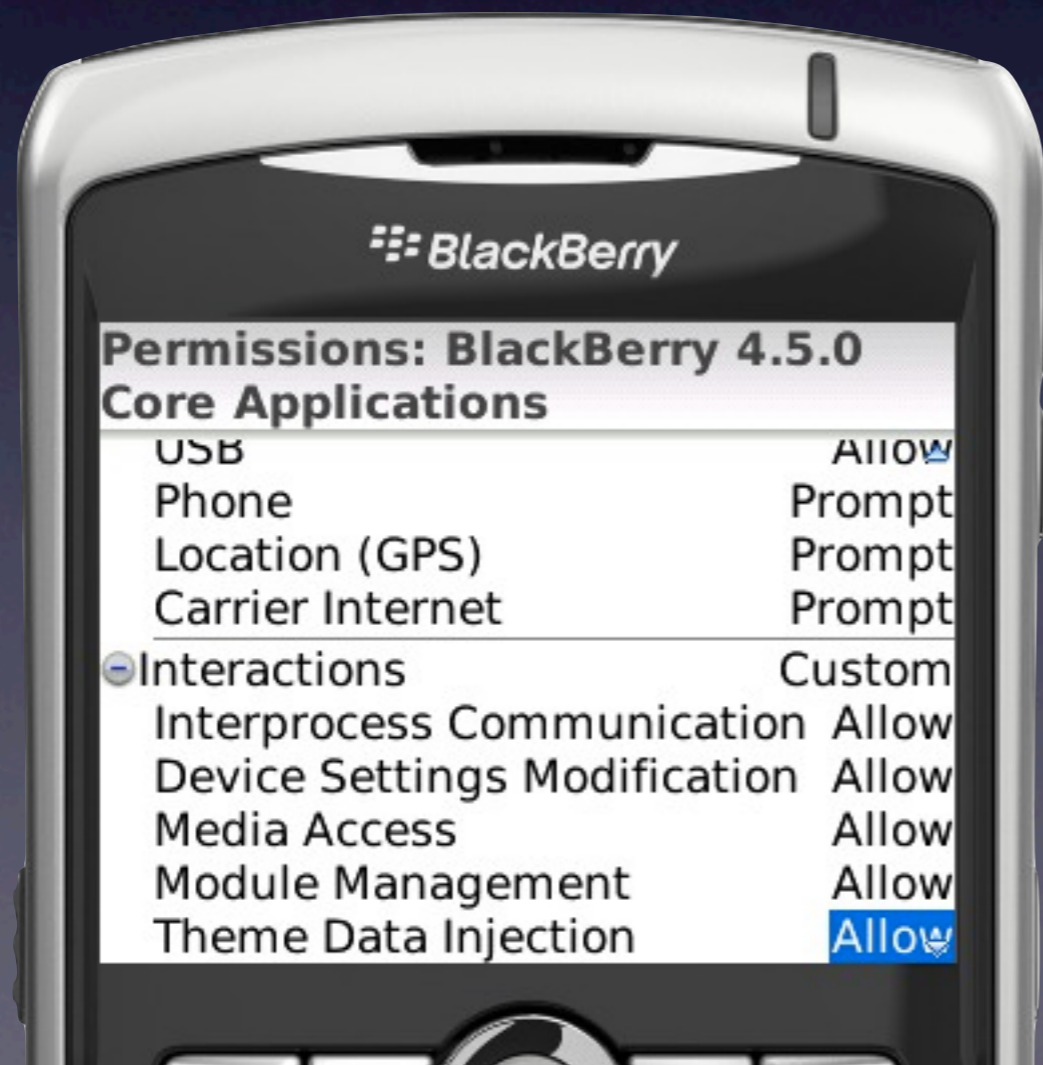
Baseline analysis is performed



Wrapping up

The BlackBerry is very secure

The problem lies in its complexity



Wrapping up

BlackBerry apps are not regulated

Nothing between you & spyware

Watch out

Don't install random pieces of software

Limit the amount of software on your BB

Learn and set Default Application
Permissions

Don't let others use your phone

Always enable a device password

Keep up to date

<http://chirashi.zensay.com>



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Questions?

Thank you

