

Let's Get Physical

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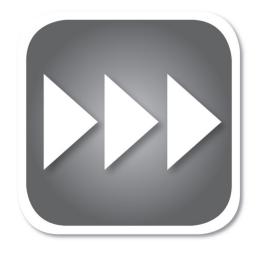
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Demo Time

LESS TALKING MORE DOING







Quick Overview

BACKGROUND



What We Really Focus on

PARTS TO TARGET

- Door and window sensors
- Motion detectors
- Keypads





Security Systems

THEBASICS

- 2 functions
 - Deter intruders
 - Alert
- 3 parts
 - Door and window sensors
 - Motion Detector
 - Keypad





Quick Facts

PHYSICAL SECURITY

- 5 20 year lifecycle
- Security items are broken
 - No one wants to hear about it
- Systems built to be cheap
 - Leads to higher tolerance devices
 - Easier to bypass
- Physical assessments are more common
 - Not just getting past locks anymore











Basic Office Setup

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Sensors

HOW THEY WORK



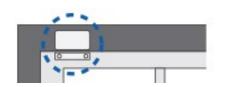
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THEFACTS

- Most Basic Sensor
- Few Types
 - Wire or wireless
 - Magnetic and ball
- Same Basic Principle
 - Break the circuit = trip the alarm







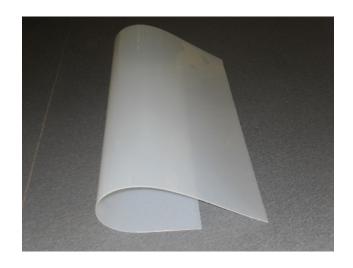




Door & Window

DEFEATING THE SENSORS







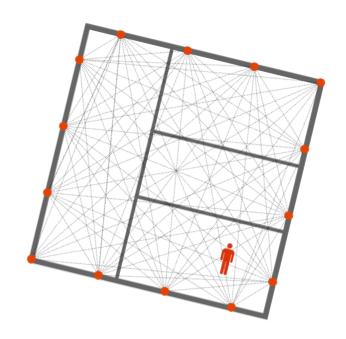


Motion

THEFACTS

- Ultrasonic
- Microwave
- Tomographic
- Passive infrared
 - Most common











Motion Continued

THEFACTS

Dual tech

- Microwave + passive infrared
 - Most common
- Both tech have to trip to open the circuit
- Mostly in office buildings
 - Can be used to get past another physical control mechanism (i.e.: RFID)







Motion

DEFEATING THE SENSORS











Keypads HOW THEY WORK



Keypads

THEFACTS

- The "brains" of the alarm system
- Reports to you or monitoring center
- Many different data connections
 - Landline
 - Broadband
 - Cellular
- Holy grail to pwn







Defeating Keypads

LANDLINES AND CELLULAR











Now What?

SOME SUGGESTIONS



A Few Fixes

CAN'T SOLVE EVERYTHING

Door and Window

 Sadly, kind of screwed on this one

Motion

- Location, location, location!
- Better sensors

Keypad

- Use dual tech for reporting
- Reporter service using secure protocols
- Verify all security features



Backup Plan

...JUSTIN CASE









Key Highlights

IF YOU ONLY REMEMBER TWO THINGS

- 1. Many systems are vulnerable and easy to break
- 2. More awareness is needed



Thank You



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