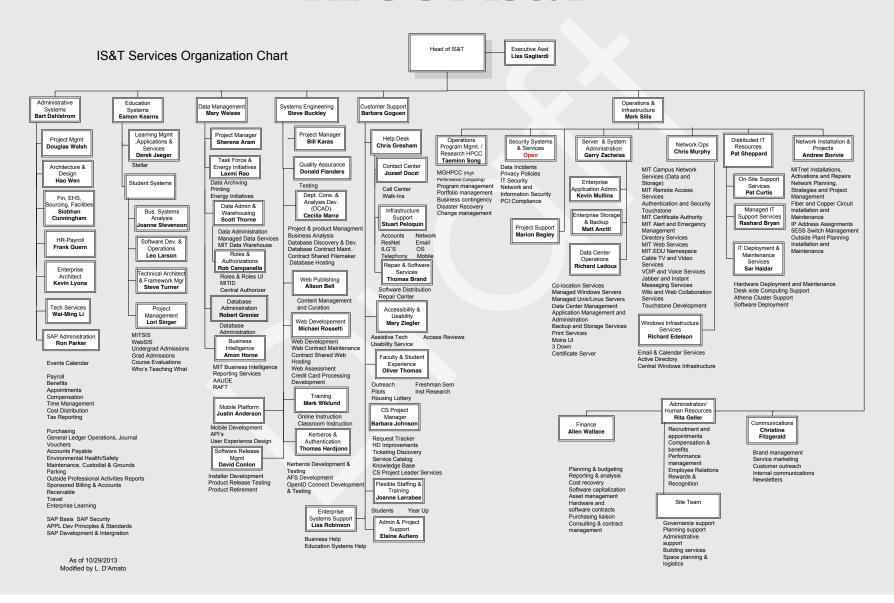
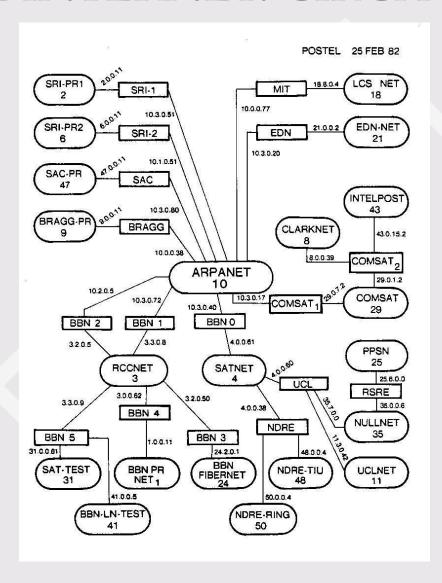
# MIT NETWORK SECURITY

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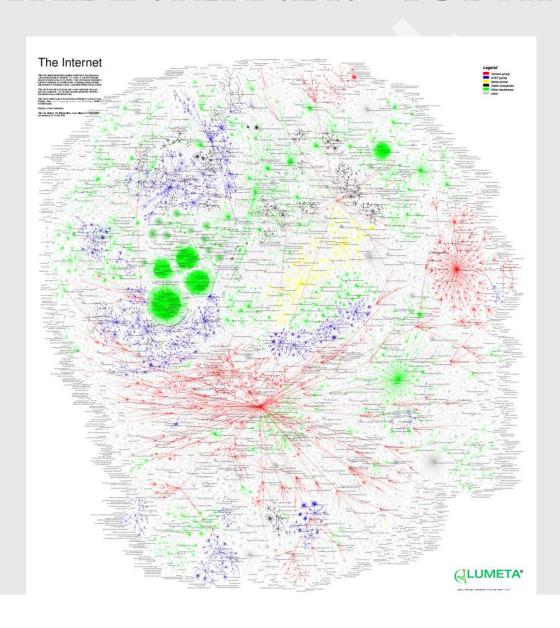
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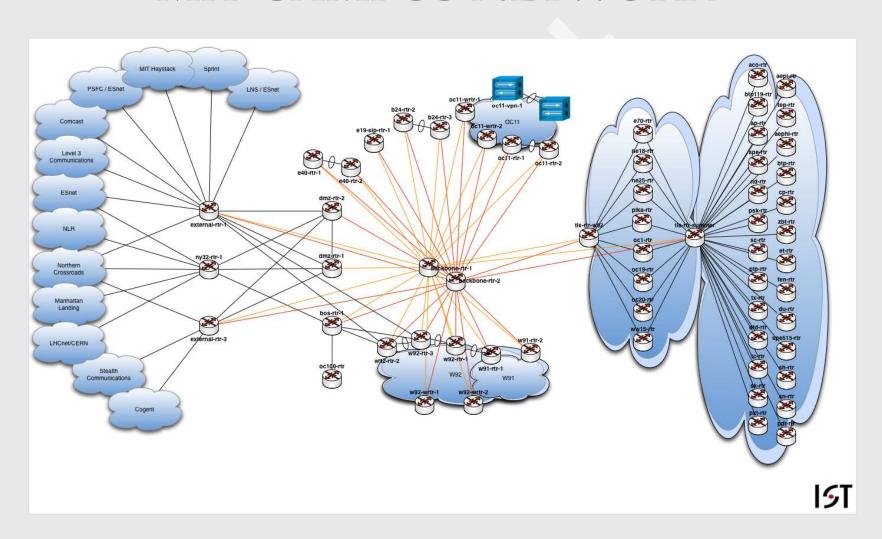
### THE INTERNET: CIRCA 1980



# THE INTERNET: ~TODAY



### MIT CAMPUS NETWORK











#### 1994-1998

#### 1998-2000

#### 2000-2005

#### 2005-2008

#### Asante 2072

10 Mb/s Shared

72 ports (\$80 per port)

17 Units (0.6%)

1,224 Ports (1.25%)

Cat3 Cabling



#### Asante 5324

10 Mb/s Switched

24 ports (\$100 per port)

150 Units (<u>5</u>.6%)

3,600 Ports (3.7%)

Cat3 Cabling

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#### Cabletron 2200

100 Mb/s Switched

24 ports (\$145 per port)

931 Units (34.8%)

22,344 Ports (22.9%)

**Cat5** Cabling

#### **Enterasys C2**

1 Gb/s Switched

24 ports (\$175 per port)

224 Units (8.4%)

5,376 Parts (5.5%)

Cat5 Cabling

#### 2008-2010

#### Cisco 3560E

1 Gb/s Switched

48 ports (\$140 per port)

773 Units (29.5%)

37,104 Ports (38%)

Caté Cabling

### 2010-Present

#### Cisco 3560X

1 Gb/s Switched

48 ports (\$110 per port)

583 Units (11.7%)

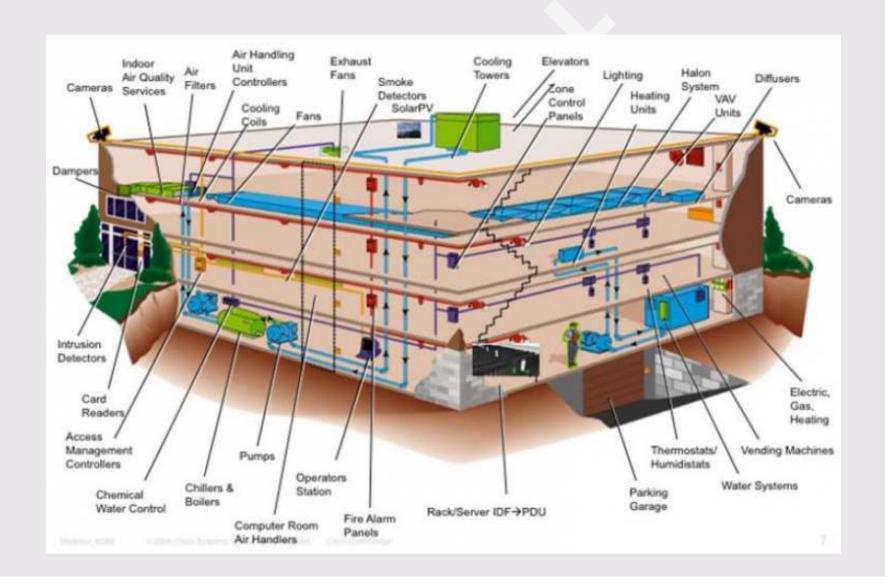
27,984 Ports (28.7%)

Caté Cabling

1,332 units & 32,544 ports

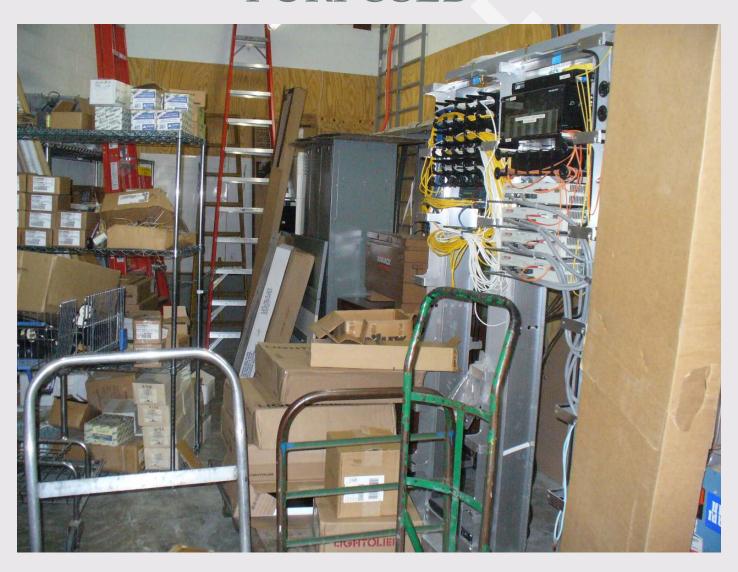
Targeted for renewal

### THE INTERNET OF EVERYTHING

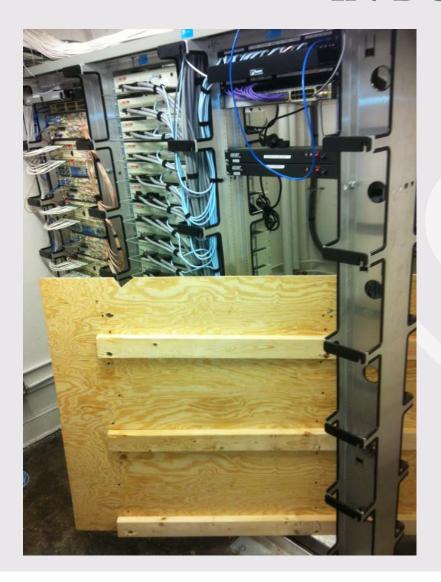


# MIT PHYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

# TEL/DATA CLOSETS BEING RE-PURPOSED

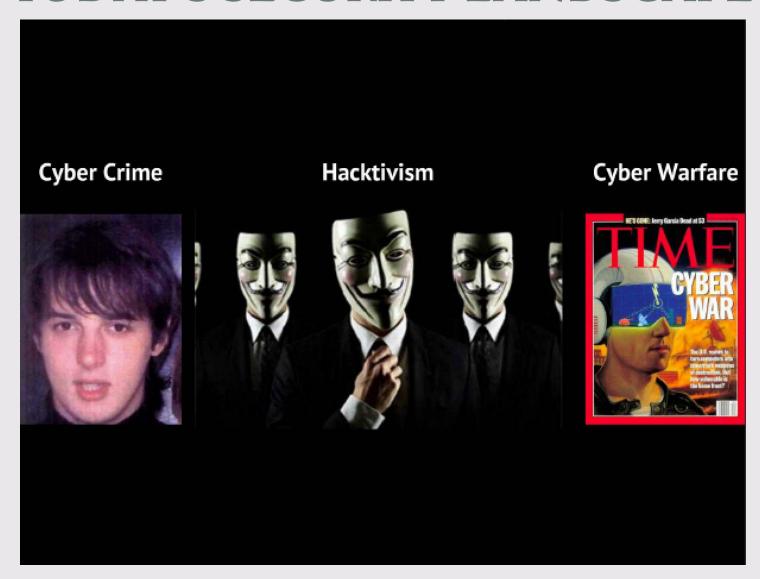


# TEL/DATA CLOSETS CREATIVELY USED IN DORMS

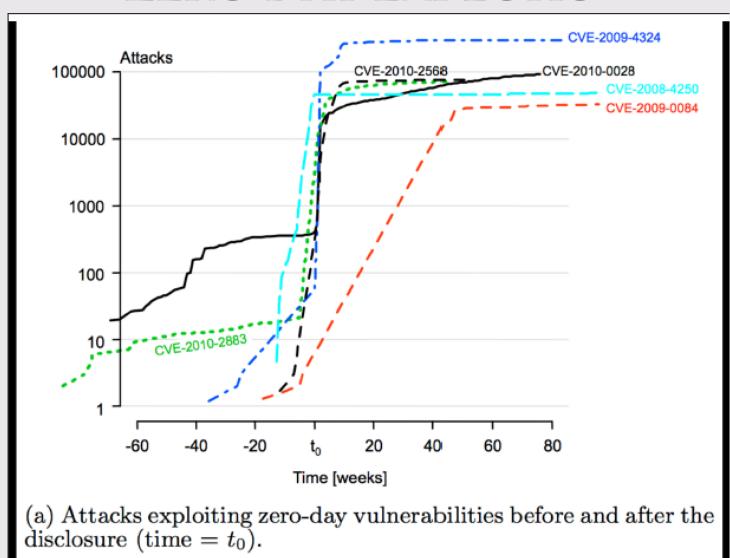




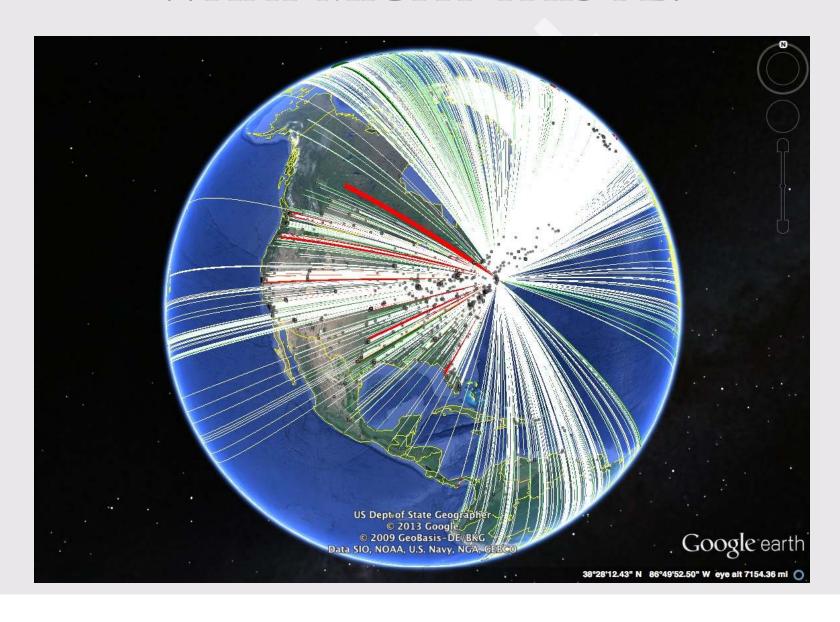
# TODAY'S SECURITY LANDSCAPE



### ZERO DAY EXPLOITS

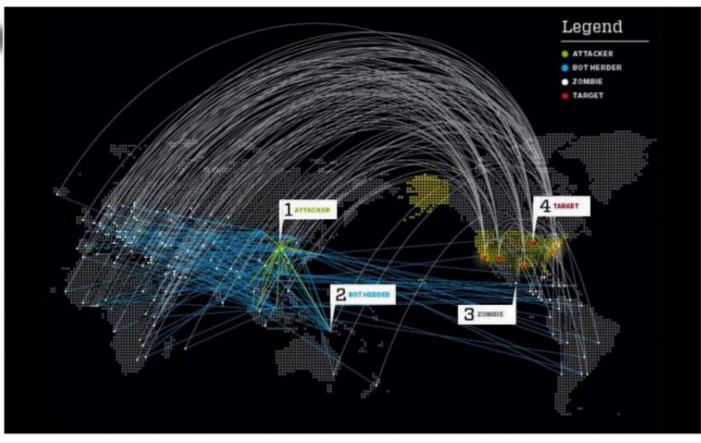


# WHAT MIGHT THIS BE?



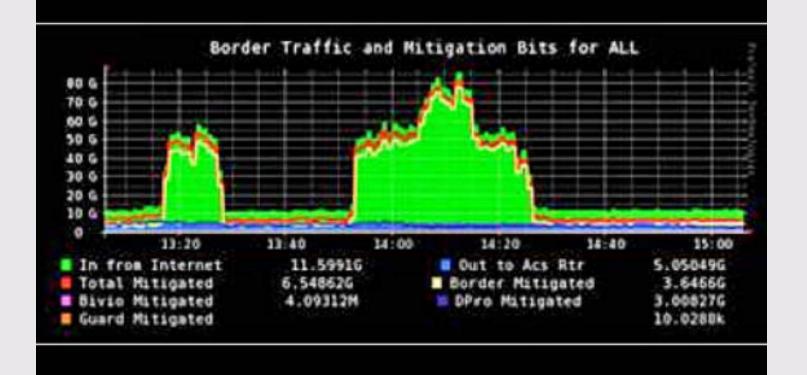
# **DDOS ATTACKS**





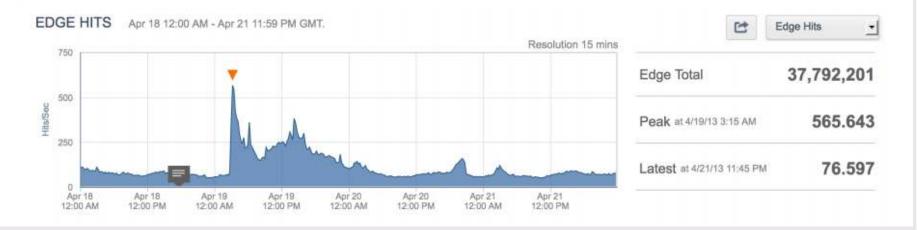
### **DDOS ATTACKS**

# Recent DDoS



# PROTECTING MIT'S EXTERNAL WEB PRESENCE





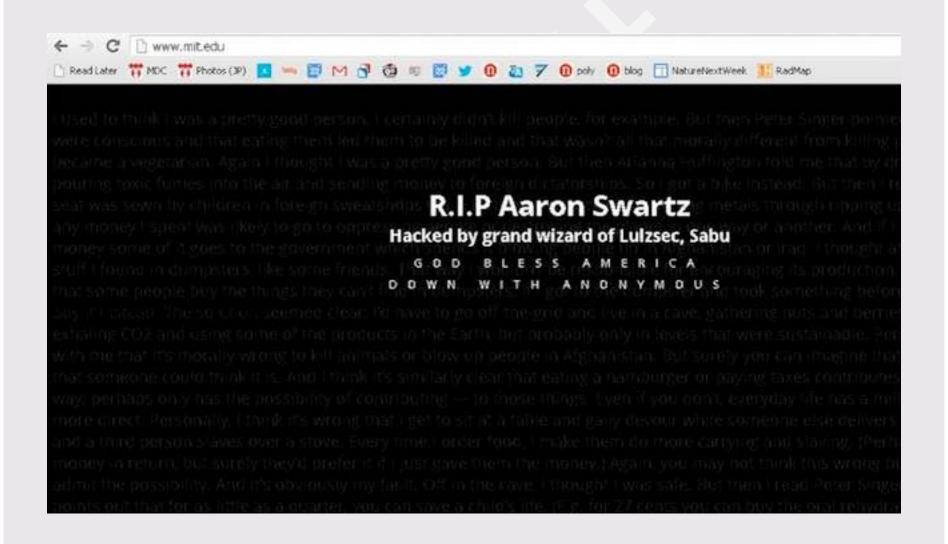
# MIT DOMAIN HIJACK



### ATTACK #1 - THE INFRASTRUCTURE

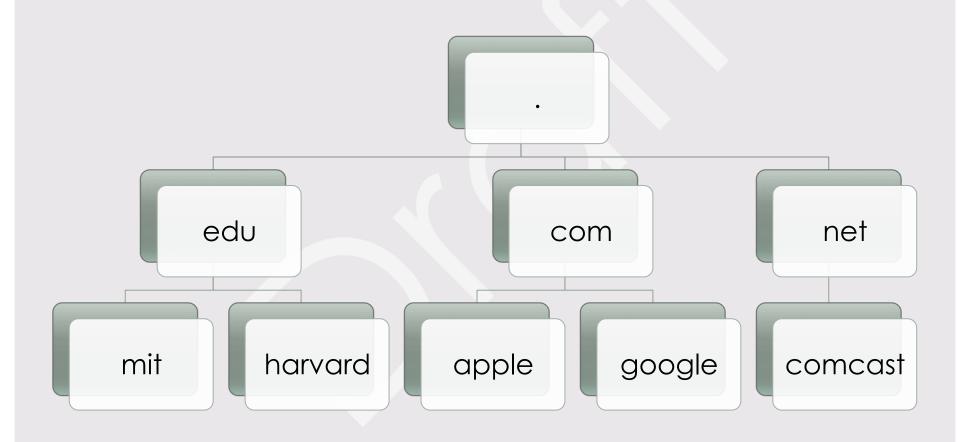
- Routers
  - Target control plane
  - Disabling router disables all downstream resources
- Firewalls
  - Maintain state, which can be exploited
  - Reassemble packets by design
  - Often configured to log permit/deny actions

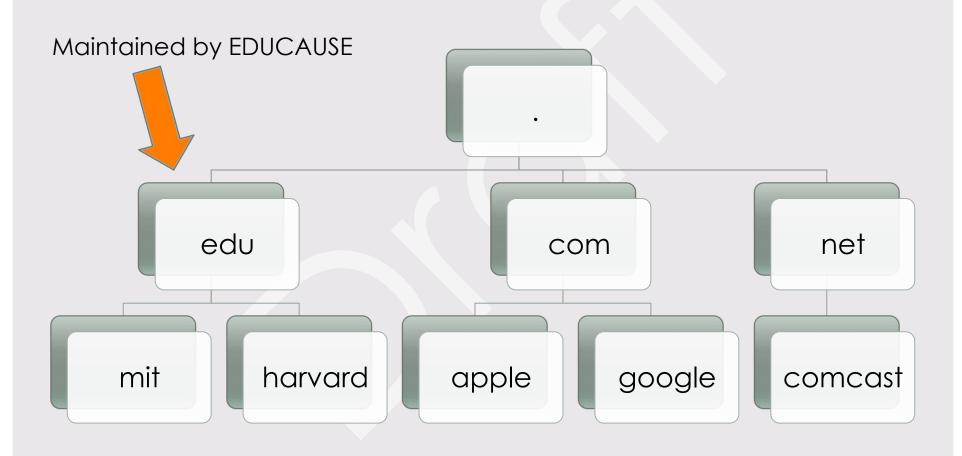
### ATTACK #2 - MIT.EDU

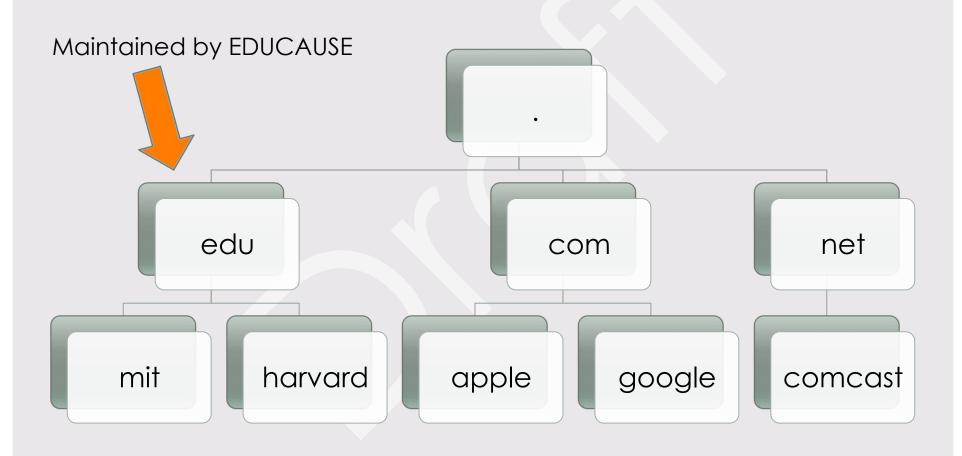


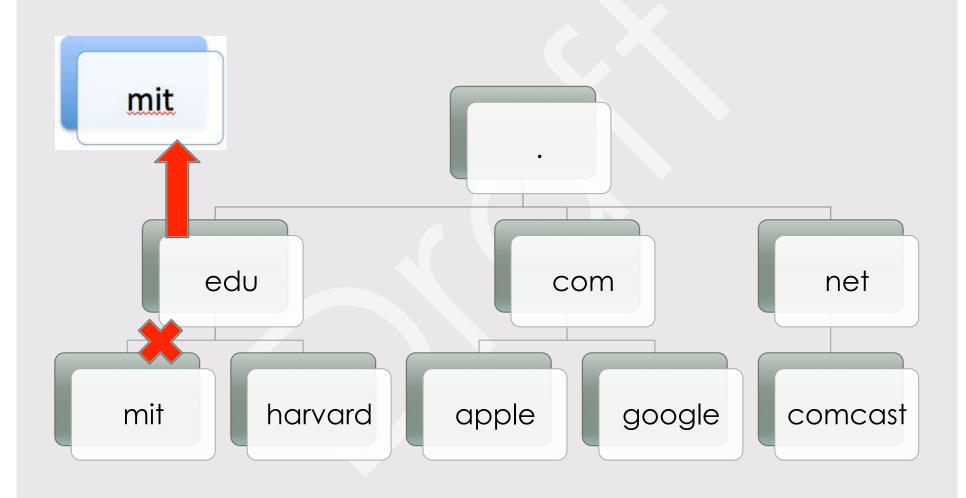
### MIT.EDU – THE ATTACK

```
Domain Name: MIT.EDU
Registrant:
  Massachusetts Institute of Technology
   Cambridge, MA 02139
   UNITED STATES
Administrative Contact:
   I got owned
   Massachusetts Institute of Technology
   MIT Room W92-167, 77 Massachusetts Avenue
   Cambridge, MA 02139-4307
   UNITED STATES
   (617) 324-1337
   cunt@mit.edu
Technical Contact:
 OWNED NETWORK OPERATIONS
   ROOT
   DESTROYED, MA 02139-4307
   UNITED STATES
  (617) 253-1337
   owned@mit.edu
Name Servers:
   FRED.NS.CLOUDFLARE.COM
   KATE.NS.CLOUDFLARE.COM
Domain record activated:
                           23-May-1985
Domain record last updated: 22-Jan-2013
Domain expires:
                          31-Jul-2013
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### MIT.EDU - THE TROLL

#### From Gizmodo comments:

#### Hack went down like this:

- 1. Own the MIT NOC guy with a browser exploit
- 2. Get their educause logins, which were: [Redacted]
- 3. Create cloudflare account, set the dns records. (Deface was hosted on a multitude of servers one of them provided by harvard. (All of which are now down, DDoS? I don't know.))
- 4. Change their mail settings in cloudflare page.
- 5. At 12:00 EST we logged into the domain control panel and changed the DNS records and the password.

After that mit staff tried uselessly resetting the password but the email ended up on our servers. Eventually educause (the people that manage .edu domains) just locked the domain and took it all down.

Now the interesting part here is that cloudflare staff changed our domain name records in the middle of it all going down (They've previously stated that they wouldn't touch user data without a court order)

### MIT.EDU - HOW IT HAPPENED

From HTP Zine 5 (http://www.exploit-db.com/papers/25306/):

Soon after, we decided to troll Gizmodo and the rest of the media into preserving our access. The 'browser exploit' on MIT's NOC (http://gizmodo.com/5978039/hackers-incoherently-deface-entire-mit-website) never existed. We'd never show our full hand at once, we'd just lose access.

MIT certainly believed us though, despite their own reassurances otherwise. For confirmation, they contacted the root registrar for EDU domains (EDUCAUSE) after finally asserting that we got access to their EDUCAUSE account.

EDUCAUSE then made the fatal mistake of overlooking our complete access into the EDU TLD. Though, we can't say we expect much from a registrar running ASPX on their backend.

### MIT.EDU – HOW IT HAPPENED

- EDUCAUSE registry was hacked
  - ~7000 .edu domains were vulnerable

#### **EDUCAUSE SECURITY BREACH AND PASSWORD CHANGE INFORMATION**

#### As of 2/19/13

In February 2013, EDUCAUSE discovered a security breach involving an EDUCAUSE server. Below are answers to questions about this breach.

#### Who was affected and what data was involved?

- 1. Individuals with an EDUCAUSE website profile
  - 1. Any information contained in individual EDUCAUSE website profiles (e.g., name, title, e-mail address, username, and hashed password) may have been compromised. As a result, individuals with an EDUCAUSE website profile must change their password.
  - 2. It is not necessary for InCommon account holders to update their institutional credentials because EDUCAUSE does not have access to, or store on any server, InCommon account information.

#### 2. .edu domain accounts

 The breach may have compromised the hashed passwords of .edu domain holders. As a result, the designated administrative, technical, or billing contact must change the domain password. Administrative and technical contacts have already been notified by EDUCAUSE.

As a precaution, all passwords have already been deactivated; therefore, individuals do not need to create new passwords immediately.

Members and individuals who do not have an EDUCAUSE website profile or are not a .edu domain holder are not required to take action.

### FUTURE SECURITY LANDSCAPE



# QUESTIONS?