Encryption and the Law

Monday – Encryption research and the law

- Anticircumvention law
- The Computer Fraud and Abuse Act

Today – Encryption law and policy

- Intro to lawful surveillance
- Reconciling encryption with lawful surveillance
- Regulation on sharing details of encryption export control
- Code, speech, and the First Amendment

Surveillance

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- A "search" does not include voluntarily disclosed information

- A "warrant" must go before a neutral party (usually a magistrate judge)
- A "warrant" must be accompanied by an affidavit demonstrating the factual basis for the search
- A "warrant" must be for a specific search or seizure, and not a "general warrant"

A "search" requires a "warrant," which must be backed by "probable cause"

 The government must demonstrate the facts and circumstances that would lead a person "of reasonable caution" to believe that the search will reveal evidence of criminal activity or contraband

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APPLICATION AND AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR SEARCH WARRANT

(M.G.L., Ch. 276, ss. 1 to 7; St. 1964, C. 557)

I, Kevin M. Christopher, being duly sworn, hereby depose and say that:

Residential Life staff at this time.

also advised Officer Eng that Mr. Calixte is involved in some computer hacking incidents.

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further. At this time he advised me of the following. Mr. Calixte is a computer science major who is considered a master of the trade amongst his peers. He is also employed by the Boston College I.T. department.

stated that he was aware of Mr. Calixte's reputation as a "hacker" prior to him being assigned into his room.

and/or uses. stated that it is not uncommon for Mr. Calixte to appear with unknown laptop computers which he says are given to him by Boston College for field testing or he is "fixing" for other students. Mr.

reported that Mr. Calixte report I investigated previously. uses two different operating systems to hide his illegal activities. One is the regular B.C. operating system and the other is a black screen with white font which he uses prompt commands on. This computer has three log on fields and it is reported that Mr. Calixte uses the nicknames "enigma" and "Bootleg enigma". reported to me that he has observed Mr. Calixte hack into the B.C. grading system that is used by professors to change grades for students, he has "fixed" computers so that they cannot be scanned by any system for detection of illegal downloads and illegal internet use, "jail breaks" cell phones, possibly stolen ones, for people so that the phones can be used on networks other than they are meant for and downloaded program software against the licensing also advised me that Mr. Calixte has a agreement for free.

has also recently been the victim of a mass e-mailing to the Boston College community in which he is reported to be gay and coming out of the closet. A gay web site profile was also created in some and was attached to the e-mails. The use of a Boston College list server was used to accomplish this. The e-mails were sent via g-mail and yahoo. I have sent compliance/preservation letters to all of the

On two occasions web-based email accounts (gmail and yahoo mail) were used to send email to a mailing list at BC. The yahoo message included the IP address of the client used to send the message. This IP was 136.167.207.174 – indicating the sender was on the BC campus, and was using a wired connection in Gabelli

(b) Records from the network registration system show tha residence hall. computer was registered as a guest (rather than the usual student or faculty/staff). The registration system also contained the following additional information:

Hardware Address:	00:23:38:BE:38:24
Computer Name	bootleg-laptop
Operating System	Unix Linux
Email Address	smaikopt@ctst.org
IP Lease Start Time	Saturday, March 7, 2000 17-44-12

IP Lease Start Time Saturday, March 7, 2000 (7)
IP Lease End Time Sunday, March 8, 20

Searching the history of the registration system for additional uses of the computer name "bootleg-laptop" reveals that was used on August 24, 2008 by a computer registered to Riccardo F. Calixte.

h. Your affiant believes and has probable cause to believe that the evidence that I seek permission to search for (consisting of the above-referenced computer system, computer data files, and other specified property, which all are directly associated with the above-stated facts and which all constitute evidence of the crime of "Obtaining computer services by Fraud or Misrepresentation" under Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 266, Section 120F and "Unauthorized access to a computer System" under Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 266, Section 120F.) are believed to be located in the premises and in the computer(s) at the premises.

To conclude: taking into account the troublingly weak evidence of (1) Bennefield's reliability in connection with the allegation of unauthorized access to and hacking into the BC grading system, and (2) nexus, the search warrant affidavit fails to establish probable cause. Accordingly, because the search and seizure were not conducted pursuant to a lawful warrant, all ongoing forensic analysis of the items seized from Calixte must cease, see *Common wealth* v. *Kaupp*, 453 Mass. at 106-107, n.7 ([valid] search warrant required to search seized computer), and the items must be returned forthwith. See *Commonwealth* v. *Sacco*, 401 Mass. 204, 207 and n.3 (1987). Cf. *Matter of Lavigne*, 418 Mass. at 836. With respect to the two seized laptop computers and any other property that the Commonwealth claims do not belong to Calixte ⁹, the Commonwealth is to undertake to identify the owner(s) of this property, and, with prior notice to Calixte, return the items to those owners.

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No REP...

- Voluntarily surrendering information
- Information disclosed to third parties (stay tuned for Carpenter v. United States (SCOTUS 2018))
 - And with emails disclosed to a web host, United States v. Warshak (6th Cir. 2010)
- When crossing a border into the United States (stay tuned for Alasaad v. Nielsen (D. Mass. ???))
- When being searched incident to an arrest (Except with respect to devices! Riley v. California (2014))



Statutory privacy protections

ECPA

Wiretap Act

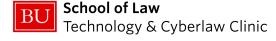
- Real-time surveillance of content
- Requires "super warrant" – PC, plus serious felony, plus exhaustion

Pen/Trap

- Real-time surveillance of DRAS information
- Requires that applicant "certify" that information is "relevant"

Stored Communications Act

- All content and metadata in storage
- Differing levels of process for different types of information:
 - basic subscriber info subpoena
 - most non-content records – "specific facts" showing "grounds to believe" that info. is "relevant and material"
 - content search warrant (but maybe less for opened/old email)



----BEGIN PGP MESSAGE-----

Version: GnuPG v2

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... but what if it doesn't work?

Erase Data



Erase all data on this iPhone after 10 failed passcode attempts.





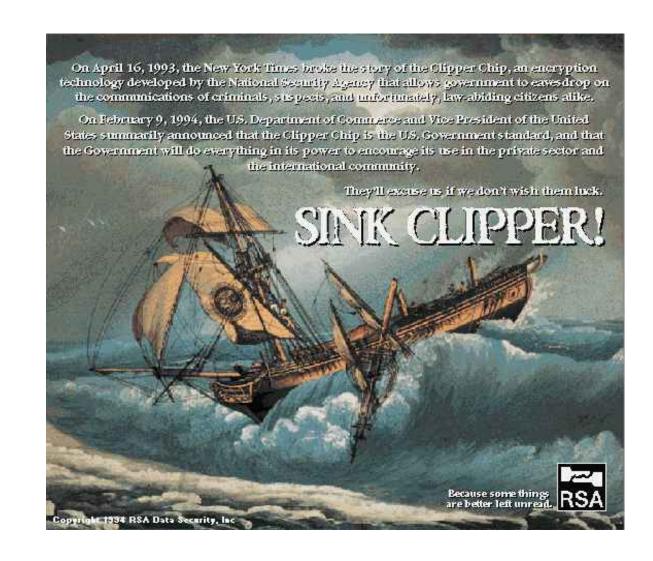
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CALEA (47 U.S.C. § 1001 et seq.)

- Requires telecommunications carriers to be able to isolate and provide LE to communications when they have lawful authorization to access them.
- Does not regulate "information services" – ISPs, cable TV, etc.
- Does not prohibit users from employing their own end-to-end encryption

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Possibly, but yet another Constitutional Amendment!

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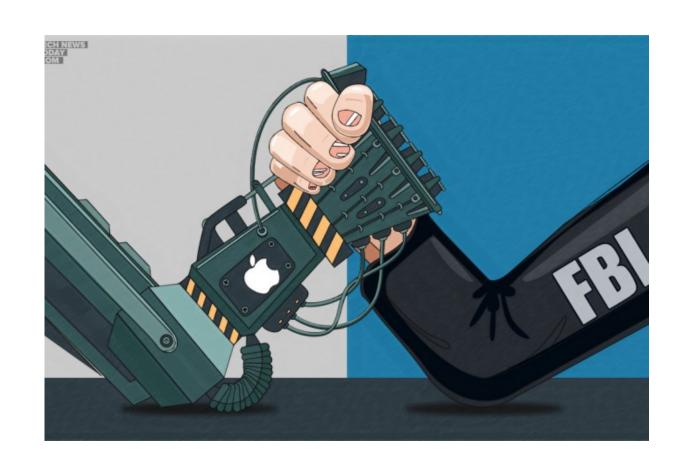


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- Has to be "testimonial" and "incriminating"
- "Foregone conclusion doctrine" says that producing evidence alone is likely not enough to qualify
- Courts applying this to locked phones are fracturing – defenses tend to be strongest when government cannot already show that the suspect put the password on the device in question

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Intro to Export Controls









Former University of Tennessee Professor John Reece **Roth Begins Serving Four-Year Prison Sentence on Convictions of Illegally Exporting Military Research** Data

U.S. Attorney's Office February 01, 2012

Eastern District of Tennessee (865) 545-4167

KNOXVILLE, TN-On January 18, 2012, John Reece Roth, a former professor of electrical engineering at the University of Tennessee (UT) in Knoxville, began serving a four-year prison sentence for his September 2008 convictions. Roth had been on bond pending his appeals, all of which were unsuccessful. He selfsurrendered to the federal correctional facility in Ashland, Kentucky.

Roth was convicted after a jury trial in U.S. District Court in Knoxville, of conspiracy, wire fraud, and 15 counts of exporting "defense articles and services" without a license. As a UT professor, Roth obtained an U.S. Air Force (USAF) contract to develop plasma actuators to control the flight of small, subsonic, unmanned, military drone aircraft. During the course of that contract, he allowed two foreign national students to access export controlled data and equipment, and export some of the data from the contract on a trip to China. The Arms Export Control Act prohibits the export of defense-related materials, including the technical data, to a foreign national or a foreign nation. This case was a first-of-its-kind prosecution of a university professor for the transfer of controlled defense technology to foreign national graduate students.





What are export controls? Why have export controls?

Legal restrictions on technology information

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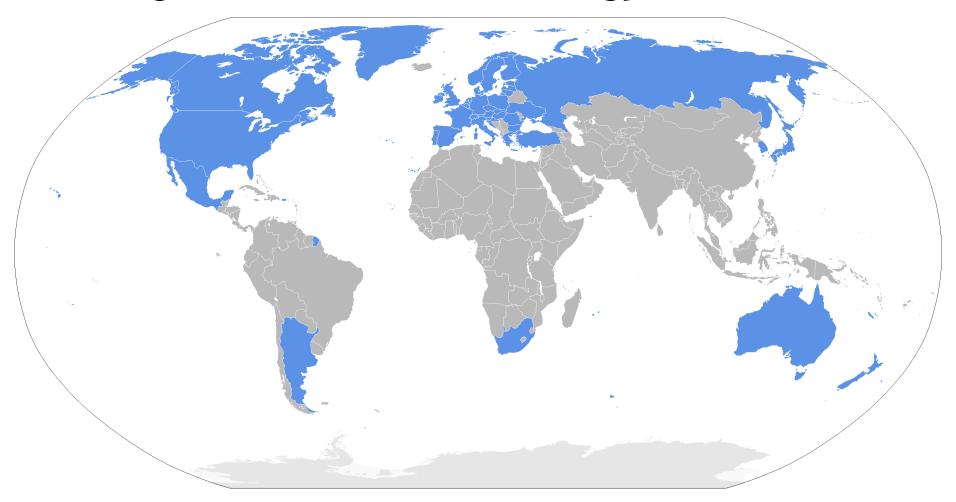








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Wassenaar Arrangement



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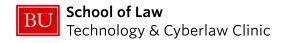
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15 C.F.R. § 734.2(c): "Items subject to EAR" consist of the items listed on the Commerce Control List (CCL) ... and all other items which meet the definition of that term.

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Excluded:

- Items where another agency takes exclusive authority (e.g., Dep't of State with ITAR)
- De minimis US contact
- Generally available for free
- **Published material** books, pamphlets, newspapers, and sheet music (?)
 - Incl. "posting on the Internet on sites available to the public" (§ 734.7(a)(4))
 - note: ITAR has not taken a similar position
- Disclosed in a patent or published patent application
- Fundamental research

Fundamental research:

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[M]eans research in science, engineering, or mathematics, the results of which ordinarily are published and shared broadly within the research community, and for which the researchers have not accepted restrictions for proprietary or national security reasons. (§ 734.8(c))

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 21, 1985

NATIONAL SECURITY DECISION DIRECTIVE 189

UNCLASSIFIED

NATIONAL POLICY ON THE TRANSFER OF SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND ENGINEERING INFORMATION

I. PURPOSE

This directive establishes national policy for controlling the flow of science, technology, and engineering information produced in federally-funded fundamental research at colleges, universities, and laboratories. Fundamental research is defined as follows:

"'Fundamental research' means basic and applied research in science and engineering, the results of which ordinarily are published and shared broadly within the scientific community, as distinguished from proprietary research and from industrial development, design, production, and product utilization, the results of which ordinarily are restricted for proprietary or national security reasons."

II. BACKGROUND

The acquisition of advanced technology from the United States by Eastern Bloc nations for the purpose of enhancing their military capabilities poses a significant threat to our national security. Intelligence studies indicate a small but significant target of the Eastern Bloc intelligence gathering effort is science and engineering research performed at universities and federal laboratories. At the same time, our leadership position in science and technology is an essential element in our economic and physical security. The strength of American science requires a research environment conducive to creativity, an environment in which the free exchange of ideas is a vital component.

In 1982, the Department of Defense and National Science Foundation sponsored a National Academy of Sciences study of the need for controls on scientific information. This study was chaired by Dr. Dale Corson, President Emeritus of Cornell University. It concluded that, while there has been a significant transfer of U.S. technology to the Soviet Union, the transfer has occurred through many routes with universities and open scientific communication of fundamental research being a minor contributor. Yet as the emerging government-university-industry partnership in research activities continues to grow, a more significant problem may well develop.

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The Commerce Control List:

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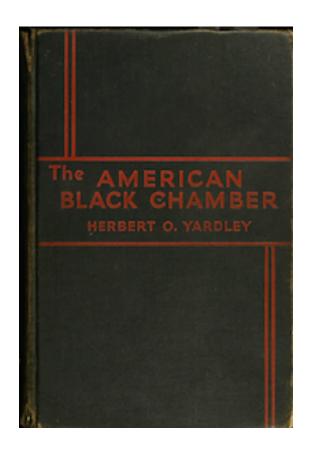
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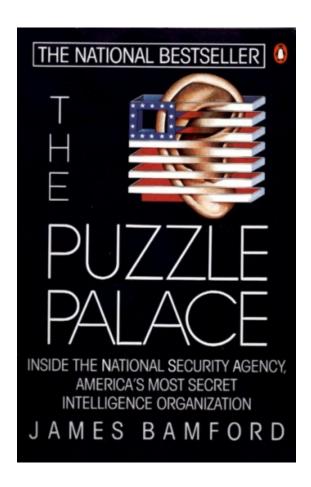
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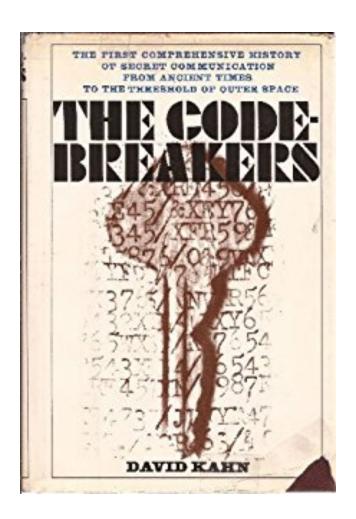
generally speaking...

- software related to military uses or ITAR "defense articles" regulated by ITAR instead of EAR*
- software that is publicly available without charge is not restricted*
- export to Canada is not restricted, with only a few specific exceptions (software related to nuclear technology, firearms, and some wiretapping tech)
- "Mass market software" EAR § 740.13(d) sold from stock, designed for installation without further support from supplier (beyond help lines, etc.)*
- Software patches for pre-cleared software ok
- The underlying media that embody software are not restricted (CDs, USB sticks, etc.)

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In an era of instantaneous communication and pervasive computer data bases, it is becoming increasingly important to protect the privacy of both individuals and corporations, often using the tools previously used only by national governments.

There is growing evidence that enhanced security for unclassified but sensitive information will be needed in a wide variety of applications, ranging from personal records (insurance, criminal, health, law enforcement) to commercial proprietary and financial data in storage or in transit electronically. As the major world economies continue the trend toward information dependence, e.g., electronic mail, electronic funds transfer, point of sale terminals, etc., protection of business and even home computer systems from unauthorized monitoring or tampering will become increasingly important.

In many of these areas, cryptography is one of the most effective ways for providing the requisite security. Restriction of public research and development in cryptography might have an adverse effect on the ability of American industry to compete in world telecommunications and data-processing markets.

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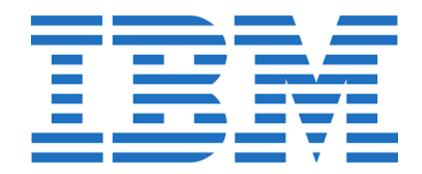
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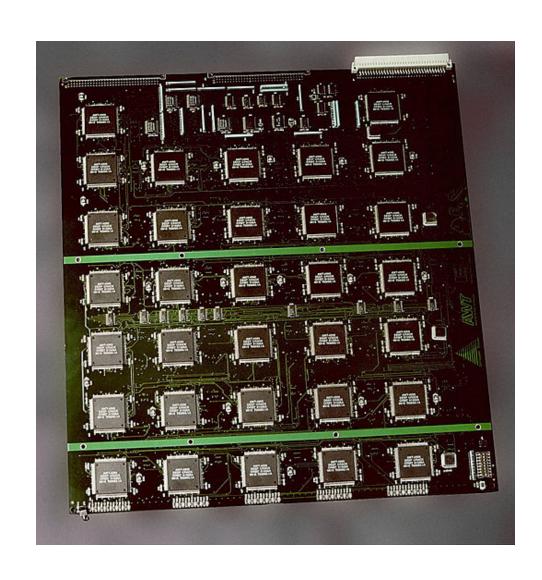


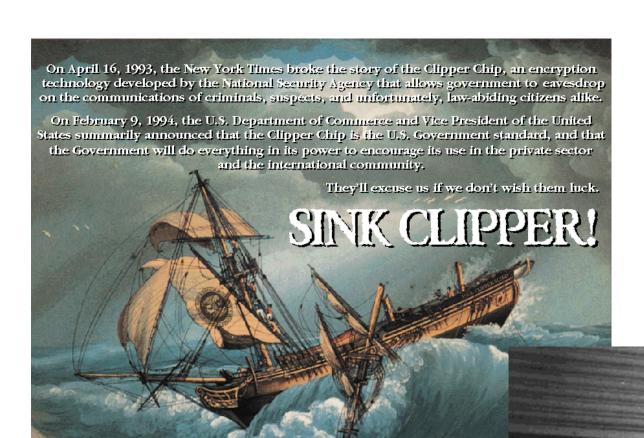
The Study Group has recommended that a voluntary system of prior review of cryptology manuscripts be instituted on an experimental basis. While the group would prefer no such system of review, its members, with one dissent, accepted as a working premise NSA's concern that some information contained in cryptology manuscripts could be inimical to the national security of the United States and see the proposed system as a potential way to test that working premise. The group rejected a compulsory statutory solution to the perceived problem.





2⁵⁶ combinations (72,057,594,037,927,936)





Because som are better left





On April 16, 1993, the New York Times broke the story of the Clipper Chip, an encryption technology developed by the National Security Agency that allows government to eavesdrop on the communications of criminals, suspects, and unfortunately, law-abiding citizens alike.

On February 9, 1994, the U.S. Department of Commerce and Vice President of the United States summarily announced that the Clipper Chip is the U.S. Government standard, and that the Government will do everything in its power to encourage its use in the private sector and the international community.



Protocol Failure in the Escrowed Encryption Standard

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August 20, 1994

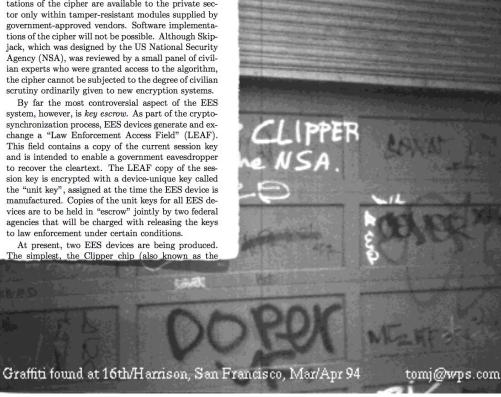
Abstract

The Escrowed Encryption Standard (EES) defines a US Government family of cryptographic processors, popularly known as "Clipper" chips, intended to protect unclassified government and private-sector communications and data. A basic feature of key setup between pairs of EES processors involves the exchange of a "Law Enforcement Access Field" (LEAF) that contains an encrypted copy of the current session key. The LEAF is intended to facilitate government access to the cleartext of data encrypted under the system. Several aspects of the design of the EES, which employs a classified cipher algorithm and tamper-resistant hardware, attempt to make it infeasible to deploy the system without transmitting the LEAF. We evaluated the publicly released aspects of the EES protocols as well as a prototype version of a PCMCIA-based EES device. This paper outlines various techniques that enable cryptographic communication among EES processors without transmission of the valid LEAF. We identify two classes of techniques. The simplest allow communication only between pairs of "rogue" parties. The second, more complex methods permit rogue applications to take unilateral action to interoperate with legal EES users. We conclude with techniques that could make the fielded EES architecture more robust against these failures.

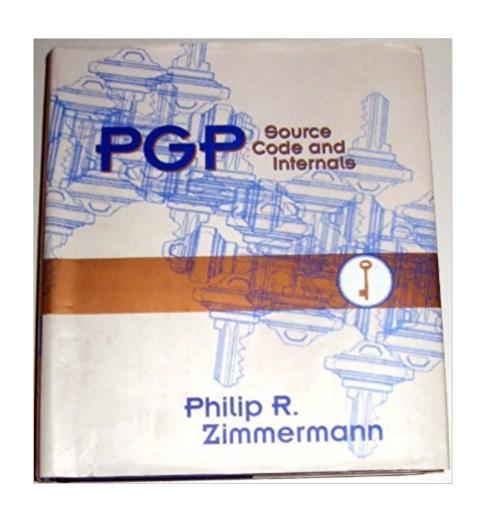
The proposal, called the Escrowed Encryption Standard (EES) [NIST94], includes several unusual features that have been the subject of considerable debate and controversy. The EES cipher algorithm. called "Skipjack", is itself classified, and implementations of the cipher are available to the private sector only within tamper-resistant modules supplied by government-approved vendors. Software implementations of the cipher will not be possible. Although Skipjack, which was designed by the US National Security Agency (NSA), was reviewed by a small panel of civilian experts who were granted access to the algorithm, the cipher cannot be subjected to the degree of civilian scrutiny ordinarily given to new encryption systems.

By far the most controversial aspect of the EES system, however, is key escrow. As part of the cryptosynchronization process, EES devices generate and exchange a "Law Enforcement Access Field" (LEAF). This field contains a copy of the current session key and is intended to enable a government eavesdropper to recover the cleartext. The LEAF copy of the session key is encrypted with a device-unique key called the "unit key", assigned at the time the EES device is manufactured. Copies of the unit keys for all EES devices are to be held in "escrow" jointly by two federal agencies that will be charged with releasing the keys to law enforcement under certain conditions.

At present, two EES devices are being produced. The simplest, the Clipper chip (also known as the



2¹²⁸ combinations (340,282,366,920,938,463,463, 374,607,431,768,211,456)





Encryption and Export Control

generally speaking...

- certain applications (e.g., use in medical applications) is regulated instead by those provisions – often EAR99
- If "primary function" is not computing; networking; sending, receiving, or storing communications; or information security, the use is excluded.
 - e.g., DRM and anti-piracy, HVAC systems, certain CAD and visualization software
- "Weaker" encryption (below 56-bit symmetric, 512-bit asymmetric, or 112-bit elliptic curve) is excluded. But check.
- For other "Mass Market" items that don't qualify above, OK to selfclassify and file an annual report instead of a license, though must subject to BIS and NSA inspection.

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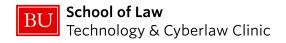
- Some things need BIS notification and 30-days delay, even if "mass market"
 - certain electronic assemblies and field-programmable logic devices
 - cryptographic development kits
 - automated vulnerability analysis
 - advanced digital forensics tools
- BIS now (reluctantly) exempts publicly available source code and object code for encryption, provided you notify BIS where on the Internet you found it

"Deemed Export"

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15 C.F.R. § 734.13(a)(2) – ["Export" includes] Releasing or otherwise transferring "technology" or source code (but not object code) to a foreign person in the United States.

22 C.F.R. § 120.17(a)(2) – ["Export" includes] Releasing or otherwise transferring technical data to a foreign person in the United States.



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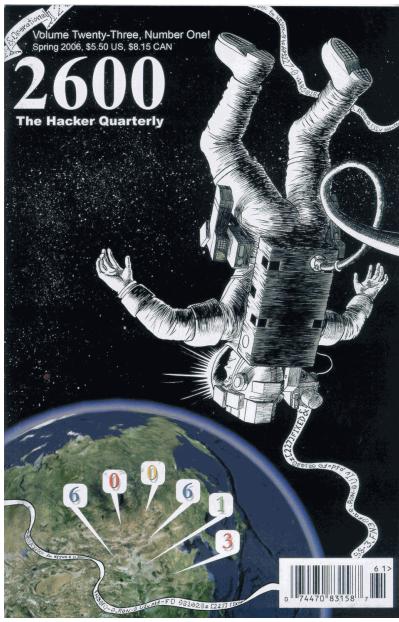
This is the WWW site for Professor Junger's course in Computing and the Law, offered at Case Western Reserve University Law School in the Fall Term of 1998. The course is scheduled to meet on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday at 9:30 a.m. in room A65.

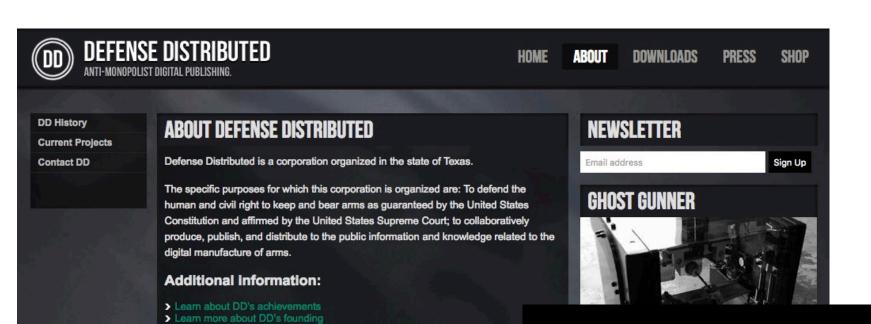
A new feature of the course this year will be the Computing and the Law Electronic Discussion List that will be used both for assignments and announcements and for the discussion of the issues that arise during the year. All members of the class will be expected to subscribe to this discussion list and to check it at least once a week for assignments and announcements. Instructions on how to subscribe will be handed out at the first class meeting.

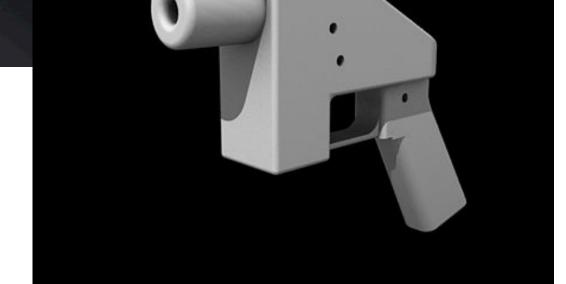
Matters are changing so rapidly in the area of Computing and the Law that it is difficult to predict exactly what will be covered during the semester, but it is safe to say that most---but not all---of the issues will relate to the fact that computers are first and foremost tools that are used in the manipulation of symbols and that most activities involving computing involve the creation, processing, and communication of information and data. Thus one can safely assume that a considerable portion of the course will be directed towards issues of so-called "Intellectual Property", i.e., issues relating to the patenting and copyrighting of computer software and also to the application of copyright law to texts and data in digital form.

And we can also expect considerable attention to be spent on the constitutional issue of whether, and to what extent, the First Amendment freedoms of speech and of the press extend to the writing of computer programs, especially as the instructor in the course is the plaintiff in the case of <u>Junger v. Daley</u> where he seeks an injunction on First Amendment grounds against the enforcement of federal export regulations that forbid the publication or other communication of cryptographic software on the Internet or the World Wide Web or through other electronic means.











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