

## Obfuscation I

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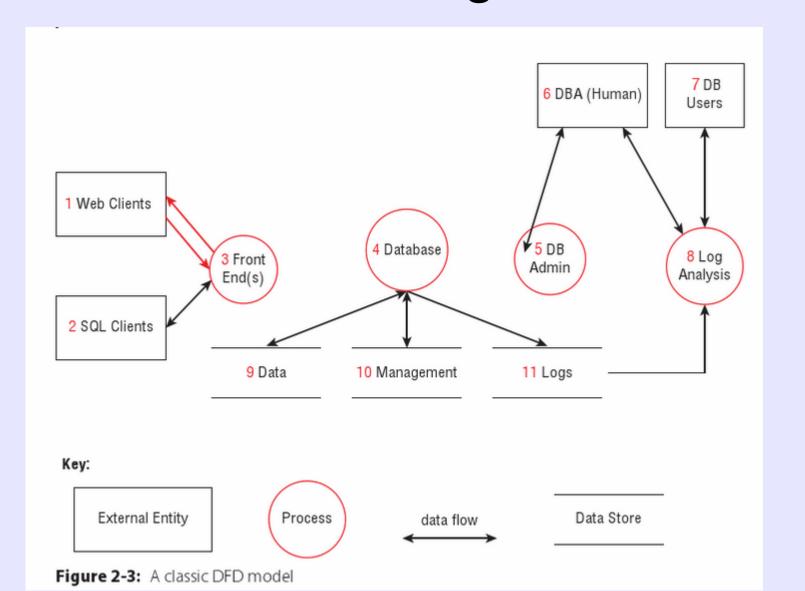
## Administration

- Server Assignment II: Cracking
- https://3rd.obfuscationworkshop.org/reception

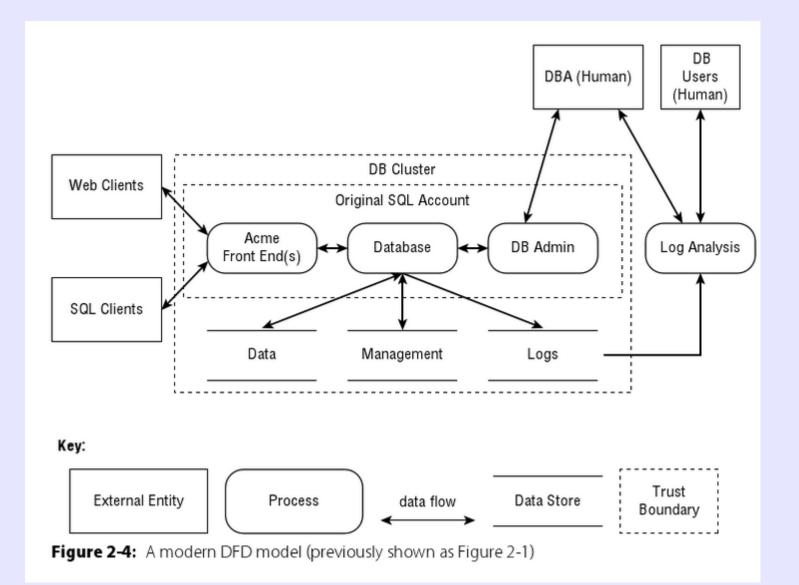
## Finishing up last time: Focusing on Software in Threat Modeling

- Point is to diagram how the system works
- Done in a group with a wide variety of people (you want them to turn out to be across trust boundaries): if there is disagreement, this usually means a security problem is nearby

## Data flow diagrams



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## Swim lane diagrams

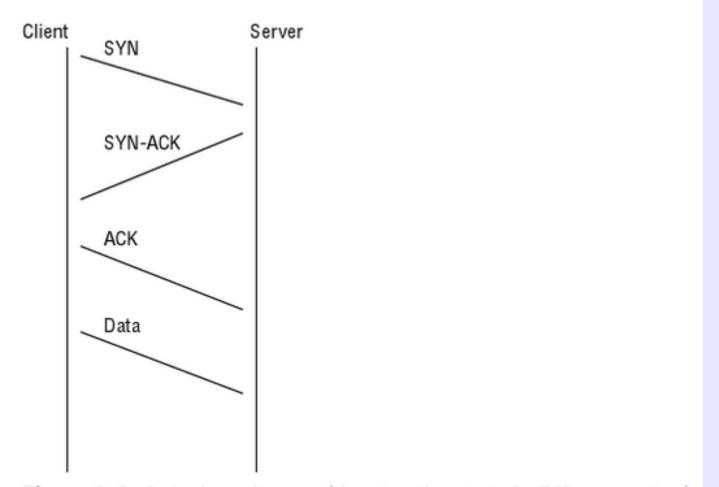
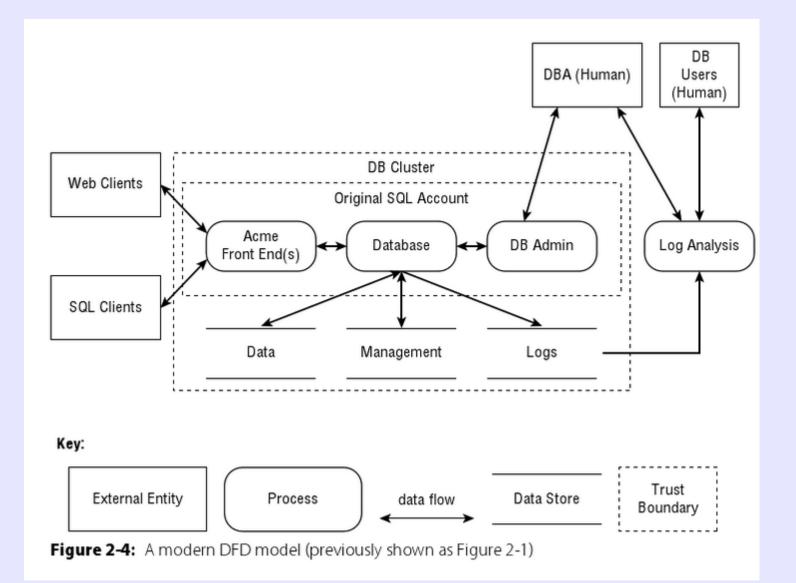
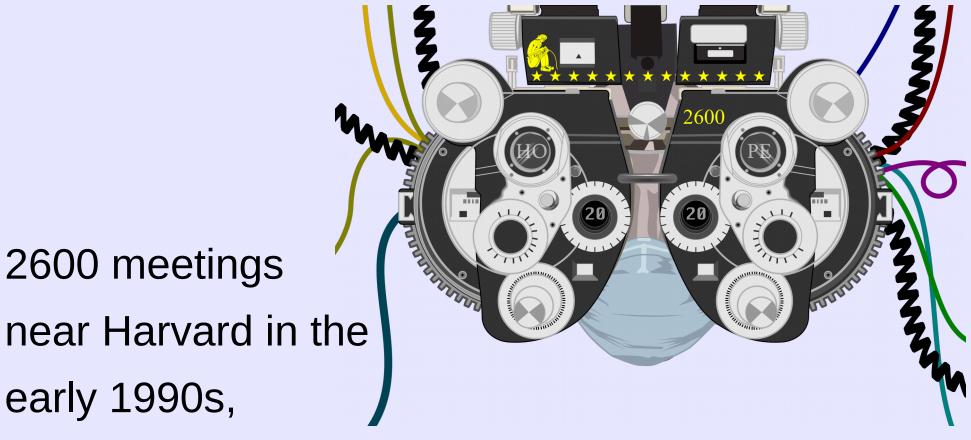


Figure 2-6: Swim lane diagram (showing the start of a TCP connection)

## Processing and Managing Threats





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• 2600 meetings

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"Obfuscation, at its most abstract, is the production of noise modeled on an existing signal in order to make a collection of data more ambiguous, confusing, harder to exploit, more difficult to act on, and therefore less valuable."

"If privacy both as impossible-to-observe and impossible-to-identify is dead, then what might be an alternative? If you're an optimist or an apparatchik, your answer will tend toward rules of procedure administered by a government you trust or control. If you're a pessimist or a hacker/maker, your answer will tend toward the operational, and your definition of a state of privacy will be mine: the effective capacity to misrepresent yourself."

Geer, 'Identity as Privacy'



An adult *C. mulmeinensis* alongside decoy prey pellets (L) and decoy egg sacs (R)



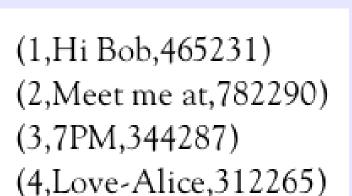


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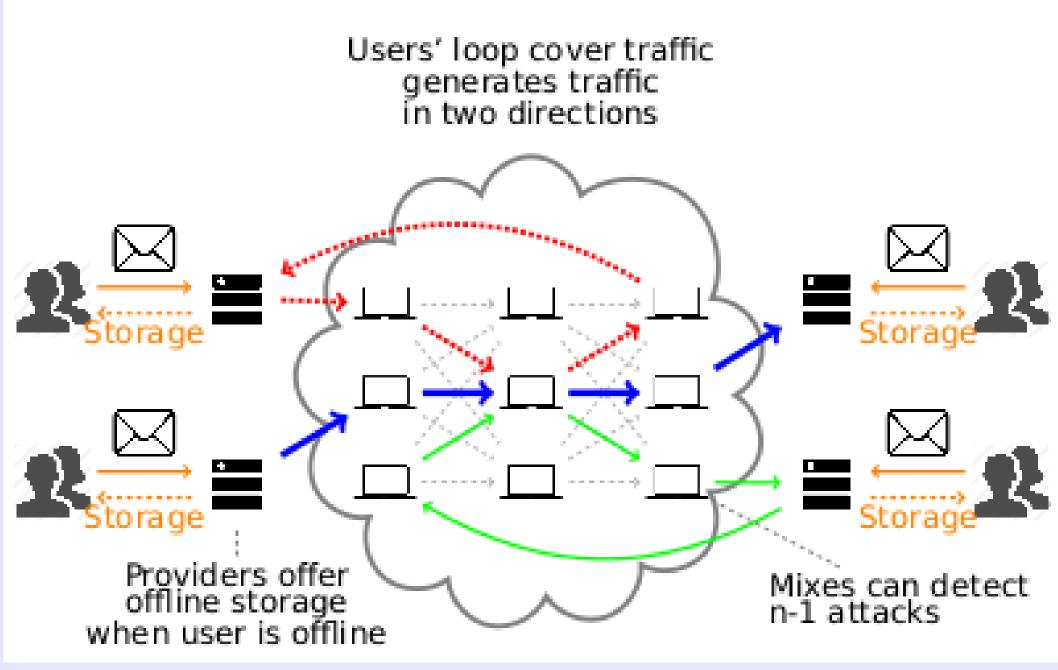




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# Obfuscation for unobservability: cover traffic in Loopix



# Obfuscation as adversarial response: Ad Nauseum









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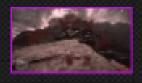
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