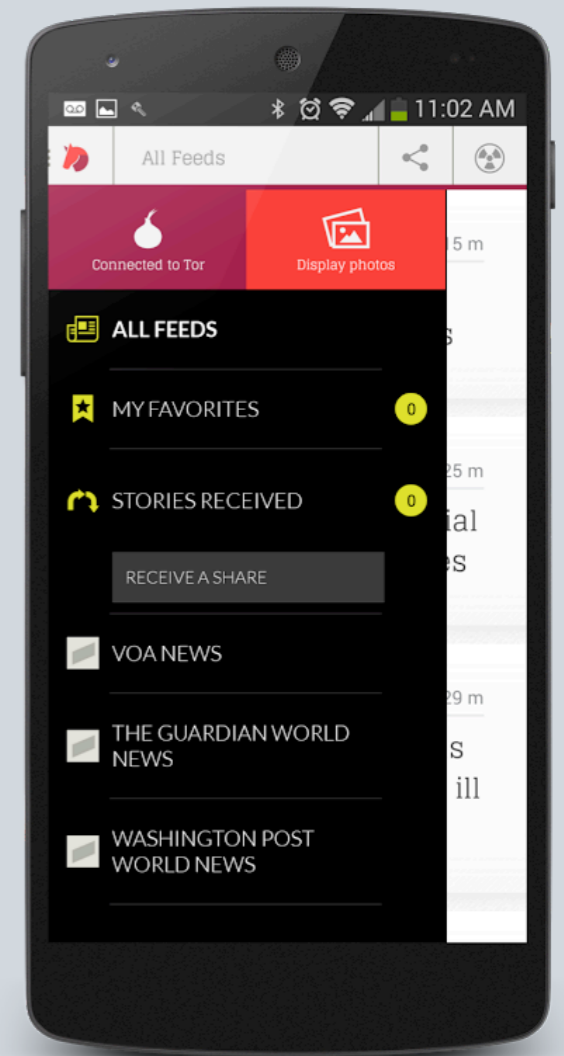
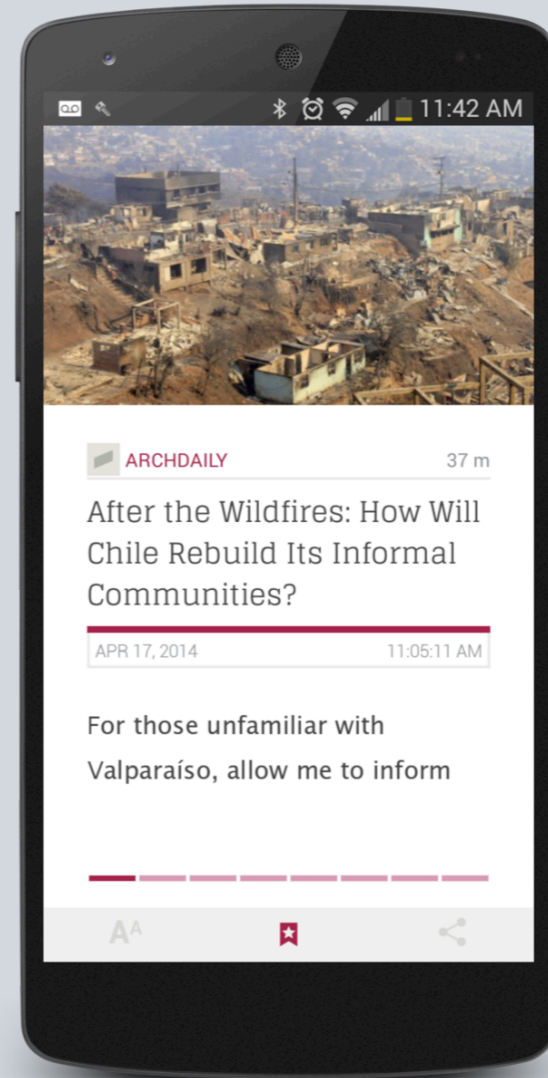
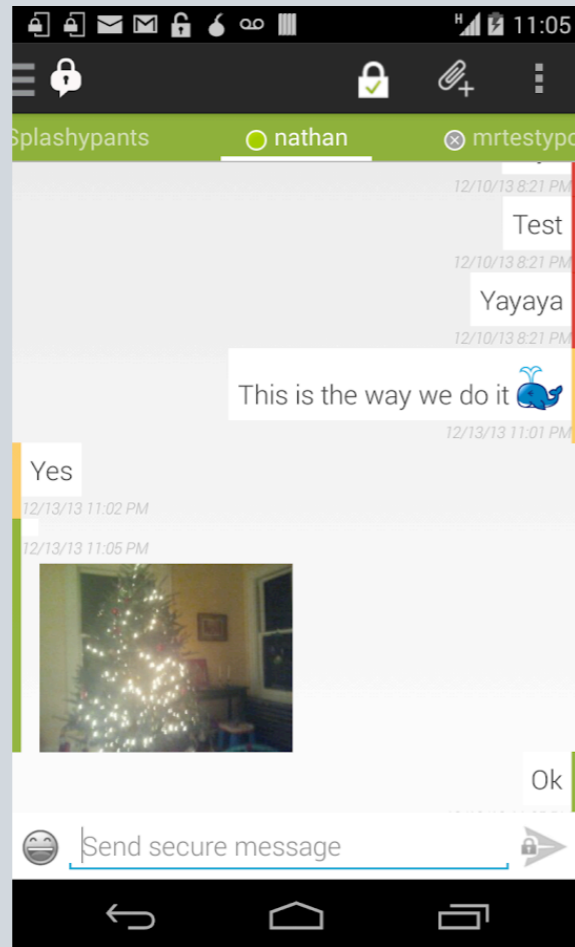
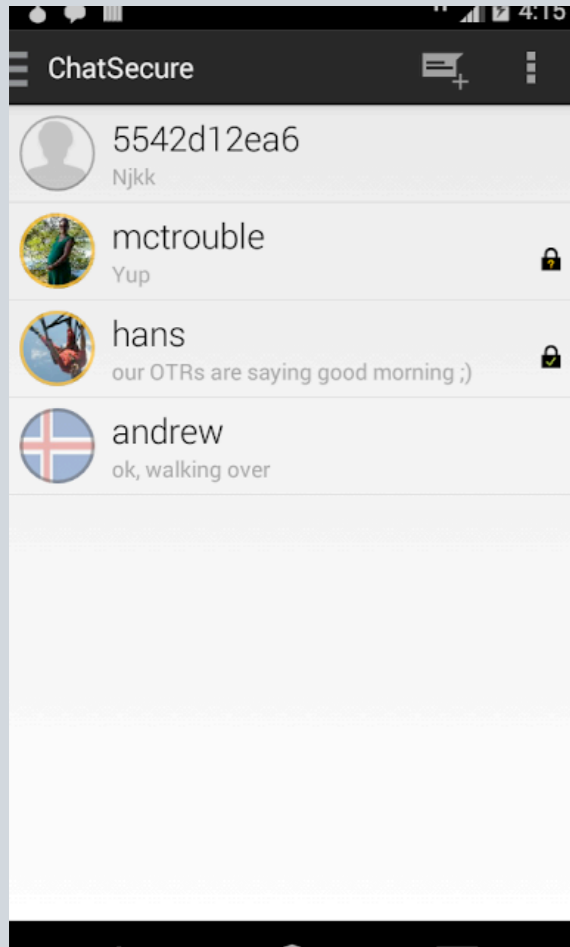


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GUARDIAN  
PROJECT  
<https://guardianproject.info>

# modern design with privacy is possible



we put privacy first





# privacy through user experience





# ACTIVISTS & CITIZEN JOURNALISTS

Tech savvy citizen journalists and activists in the street use Guardian apps to share updates, photos and videos without interception or monitoring by the authorities.






Reporters in the field can use Guardian apps to stay in touch with their safety networks, while safeguarding information on contacts, story notes and captured digital media, enabling a new, secure "reporter's notepad". In addition, high-resolution cameras of new Android hardware meet the quality standards for broadcast, print and online production.



FRONTLINE REPORTERS





Business people travel all over the world, using foreign networks, bandwidth and systems. At any point, confidential information can be compromised. While some organizations implement solutions, these are often expensive, difficult to use, and not comprehensive



BUSINESS

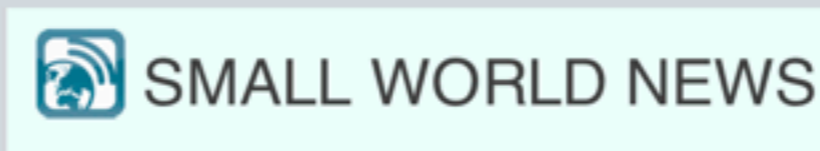


# HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS

An undercover human rights researcher traveling through a remote region without mobile data service is able to use Guardian to document local conditions using secured video, audio and photo capture. Data is stored encrypted on the device, and if necessary, it can be safely and quickly erased.





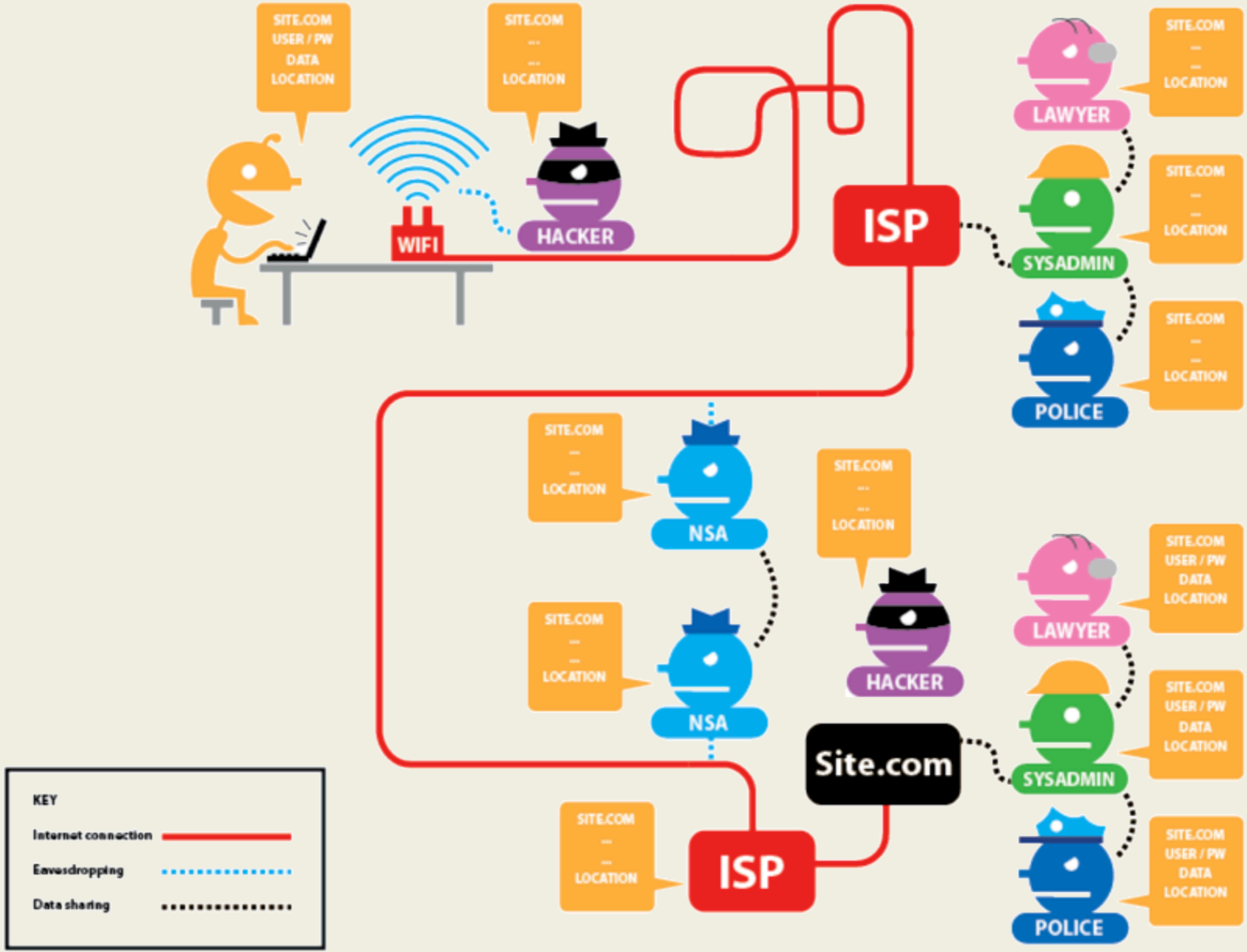


# PARTNERSHIPS

We believe in protocols, not products / in partnerships, not proprietary fiefdoms / in building a community of collaborators, not a cacophony of criticism and unnecessary competition / in practical solutions to perilous problems.

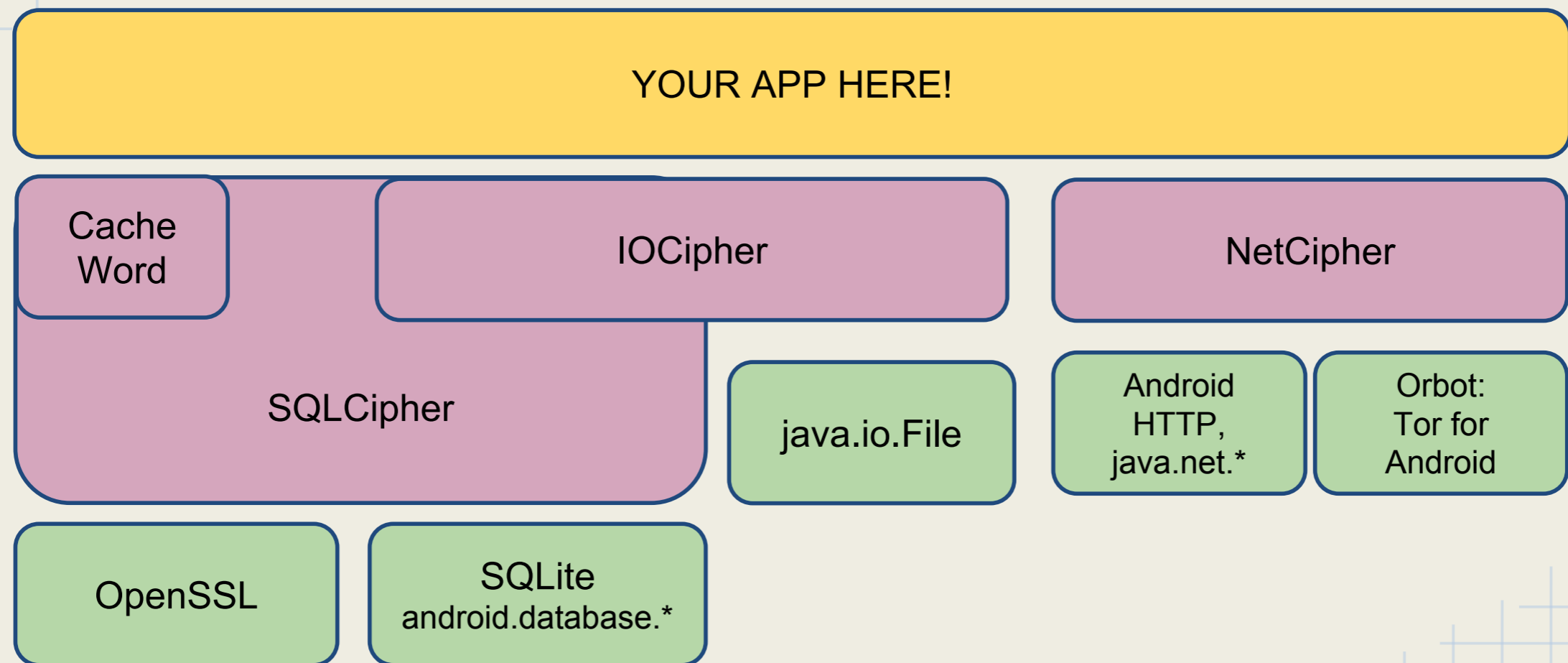


# there are many threats





# CipherKit libraries



# SQLCipher for Android

<https://github.com/sqlcipher/android-database-sqlcipher>



```

~ sjlombardo$ hexdump -C sqlite.db
00000000 53 51 4c 69 74 65 20 66 6f 72 6d 61 74 20 33 00 |SQLite format 3.|
...
000003c0 65 74 32 74 32 03 43 52 45 41 54 45 20 54 41 42 |et2t2.CREATE TAB|
000003d0 4c 45 20 74 32 28 61 2c 62 29 24 01 06 17 11 11 |LE t2(a,b)$...|
...
000007e0 20 74 68 65 20 73 68 6f 77 15 01 03 01 2f 01 6f | the show.../.o|
000007f0 6e 65 20 66 6f 72 20 74 68 65 20 6d 6f 6e 65 79 |ne for the money|

~ $ sqlite3 sqlcipher.db
sqlite> PRAGMA KEY='test123';
sqlite> CREATE TABLE t1(a,b);
sqlite> INSERT INTO t1(a,b) VALUES ('one for the money', 'two for the show');
sqlite> .quit

~ $ hexdump -C sqlite.db
00000000 84 d1 36 18 eb b5 82 90 c4 70 0d ee 43 cb 61 87 |.?6.?..?p.?C?a.|
00000010 91 42 3c cd 55 24 ab c6 c4 1d c6 67 b4 e3 96 bb |.B?..?|
00000bf0 8e 99 ee 28 23 43 ab a4 97 cd 63 42 8a 8e 7c c6 |..?(#C??..?cB..|?)

~ $ sqlite3 sqlcipher.db
sqlite> SELECT * FROM t1;
Error: file is encrypted or is not a database

```



```
import net.sqlcipher.database.SQLiteDatabase;
```

```
SQLiteDatabase.loadLibs(this);
```

```
SQLiteDatabase db = eventData.getWritableDatabase  
("mypassword");
```

<https://github.com/sqlcipher/android-database-sqlcipher>

# Performance

## Create Table (1st operation)

Normal (ms)	Encrypted (ms)	Difference
61	142	132.8%

```
CREATE TABLE t1(a INTEGER, b INTEGER, c VARCHAR(100));
```

## 500 Inserts (no transaction)

Normal (ms)	Encrypted (ms)	Difference
20832	24414	17.2%

```
INSERT INTO t1 VALUES (@a,@b,@c);
```

## 30000 Inserts (with transaction)

Normal (ms)	Encrypted (ms)	Difference
11002	11281	2.5%

```
INSERT INTO t2 VALUES (@a,@b,@c);
```

## 500 Updates (w/o index, w/o transaction)

Normal (ms)	Encrypted (ms)	Difference
37986	39164	3.1%

```
UPDATE t2 SET b=b*2 WHERE a = @a
```

## 30000 Selects (w/ index)

Normal (ms)	Encrypted (ms)	Difference
5334	5498	3.1%

```
SELECT * FROM t2 WHERE a = @a
```

## 2500 Updates (w/ index + transaction)

Normal (ms)	Encrypted (ms)	Difference
1214	1373	13.1%

```
UPDATE t2 SET b = @b WHERE a = @a
```



# NetCipher

<https://github.com/guardianproject/netcipher>

# NetCipher

- add TLSv1.2 on older devices
- good TLS settings on all devices
- easy Tor support
- simplified proxy support
- used in Facebook Android app

<https://github.com/guardianproject/netcipher>



build.gradle:

```
compile 'info.guardianproject.netcipher:netcipher:1.2.1'
```

**Android URLConnection:**

```
HttpsURLConnection connection =  
    NetCipher.getHttpsURLConnection("https://mysite.com")
```

**ch.boye Apache HttpClient:**

```
StrongHttpClient httpClient = new  
    StrongHttpClient(getApplicationContext());
```

# more APIs!

- **OkHTTP / Retrofit**  
'info.guardianproject.netcipher:netcipher-okhttp3:2.0.0-alpha1'
- **Google Volley**
- 'info.guardianproject.netcipher:netcipher-volley:2.0.0-alpha1'
- **Apache HttpClient for Android**  
'info.guardianproject.netcipher:netcipher-httpclient:2.0.0-alpha1'

<https://github.com/guardianproject/netcipher>



# more proxying!

new proxies:

- Lantern
- Psiphon
- Meek and Tor Pluggable Transports

# IOCipher

<https://github.com/guardianproject/iocipher>



# IOCipher: The Stack

`info.guardianproject.iocipher`

Java/JNI wrapper API

LibSQLFS / FUSE

Virtual Filesystem that maps to SQL schema / structured database

SQLCipher

Encryption layer for SQLite

SQLite

Base storage mechanism

<https://github.com/guardianproject/iocipher>

```
import info.guardianproject.iocipher.File;
import info.guardianproject.iocipher.FileOutputStream;
import info.guardianproject.iocipher.VirtualFileSystem;

File dbFile = getDir("vfs", MODE_PRIVATE).getAbsolutePath() + "/myfiles.db";

vfs = new VirtualFileSystem(dbFile);

// TODO don't use a hard-coded password! prompt for the password
vfs.mount("my fake password");

File file = new File(dirPath);
File[] files = file.listFiles();
```

<https://github.com/guardianproject/IOCipherExample>

# Adding IOCipher to App

- manage the password
- connect to your encrypted disk's file using `new VirtualFileSystem(dbFile)`
- mount it with a password using `VirtualFileSystem.mount(password)`
- replace the relevant `java.io` import statements with `info.guardianproject.iocipher`, e.g.:
  - `import info.guardianproject.iocipher.File;`
  - `import info.guardianproject.iocipher.FileOutputStream;`
  - `import info.guardianproject.iocipher.FileReader;`
  - `import info.guardianproject.iocipher.IOCipherFileChannel;`
  - `import info.guardianproject.iocipher.VirtualFileSystem;`
  - `import java.io.FileNotFoundException;`
  - `import java.io.IOException;`
  - `import java.io.InputStream;`
  - `import java.nio.channels.Channels;`
  - `import java.nio.channels.ReadableByteChannel;`

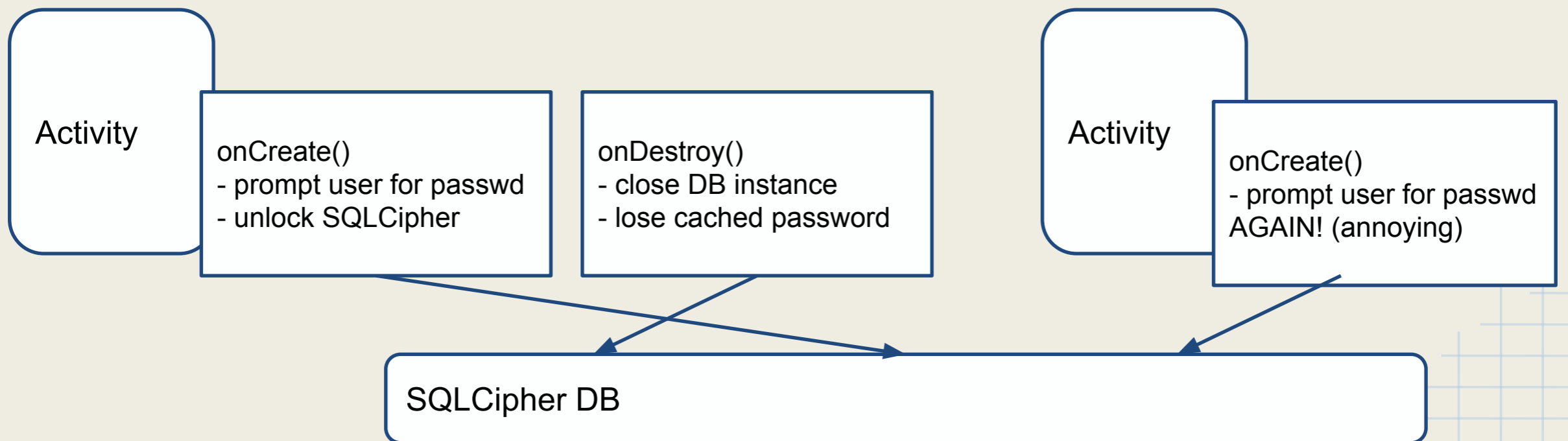
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# CacheWord

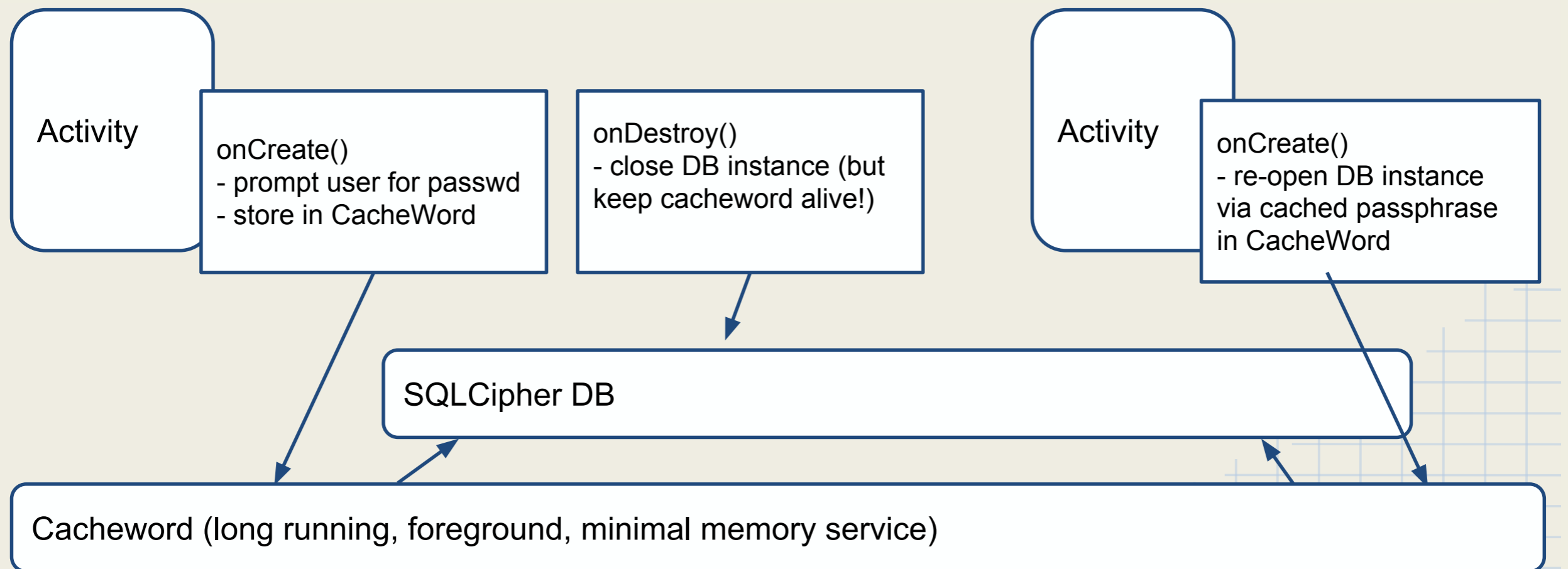
<https://github.com/guardianproject/cacheword>

# The problem with app passwords



(Activity, Service and even App lifespan is unpredictable)

# CacheWord Solution





```
public class CacheWordSampleActivity extends Activity implements ICachewordSubscriber {
    ...
    mCacheWord = new CacheWordActivityHandler(this);

    @Override
    public void onCacheWordLocked() {}

    @Override
    public void onCacheWordOpened() {
        // fetch the encryption key from CacheWordService
        SecretKey key = ((PassphraseSecrets) mCacheWord.getCachedSecrets()).getSecretKey();
    }

    @Override
    public void onCacheWordUninitialized() {
        mCacheWord.setCachedSecrets(PassphraseSecrets.initializeSecrets(
            CacheWordSampleActivity.this, "my secret passphrase"));
    }
}
```

<https://github.com/guardianproject/cacheword/tree/master/sample>

# do not use device IDs as passwords!



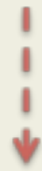
$$\text{KEY} = \text{MD5}(\text{IMEI} + \text{UIN})[0:7]$$

IMEI: 357725678854269

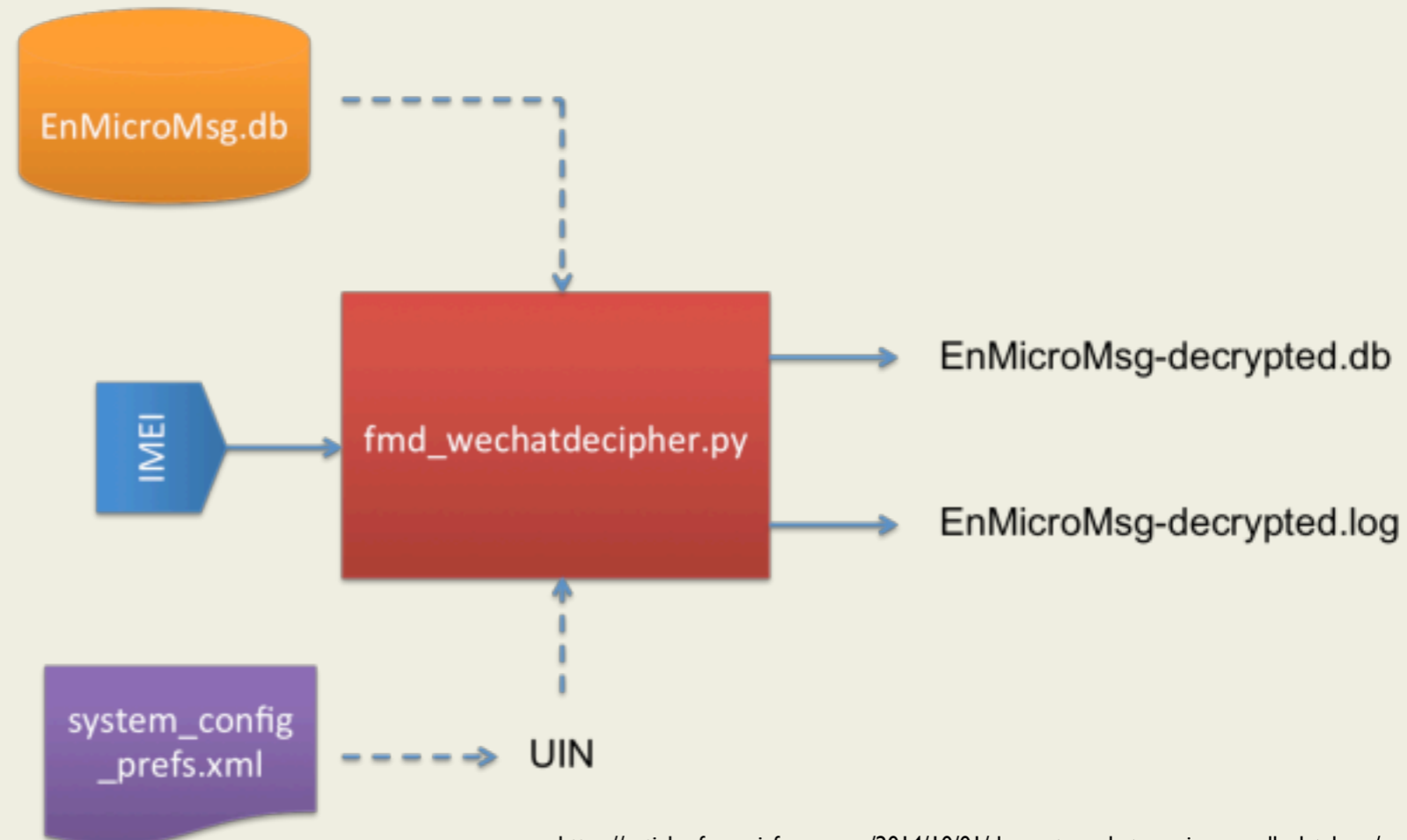
UIN: -1881034049

IMEI + UIN = 357725678854269-1881034049

MD5(IMEI + UIN) = **4bc36a0**3296a8b4fc63e5bb8e74db2a2



KEY = **4bc36a0**

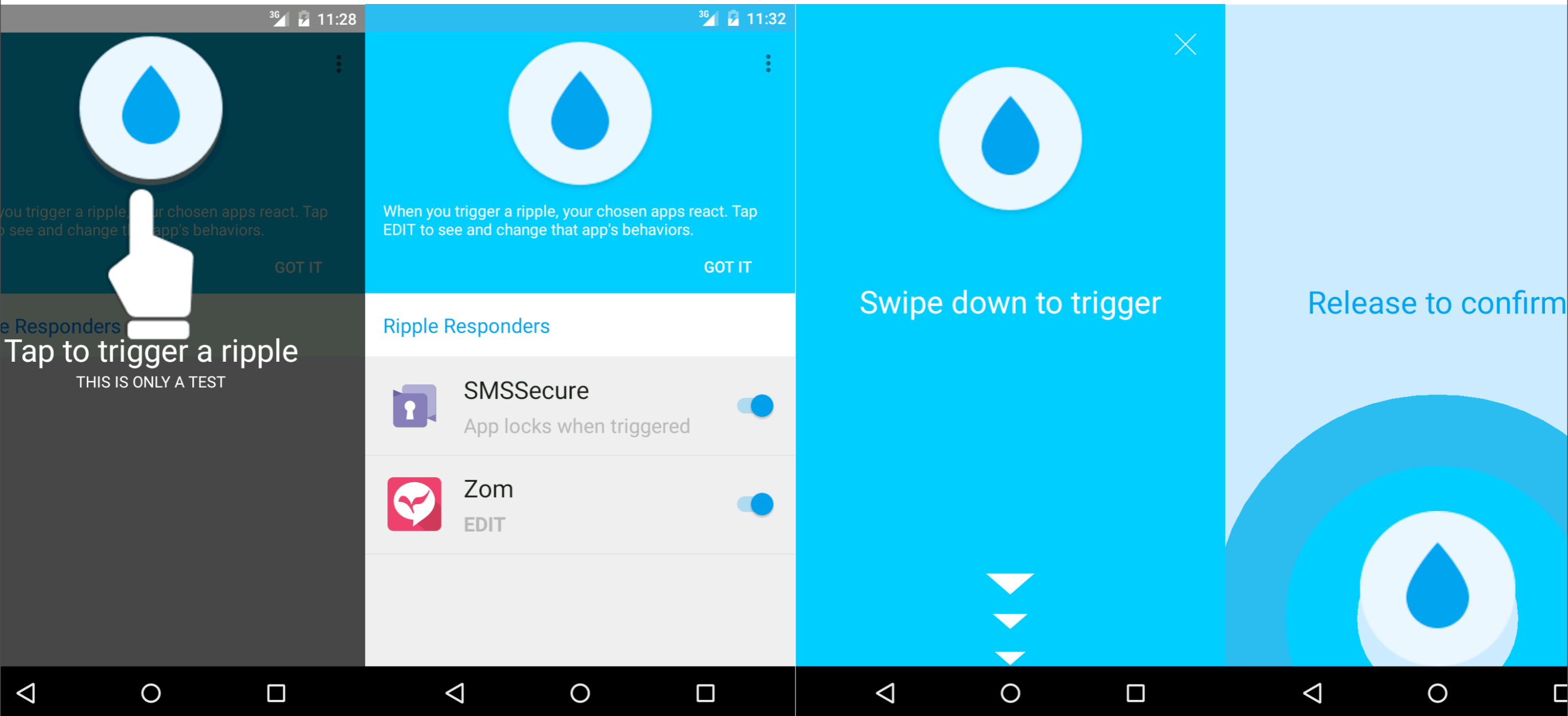


# PanicKit

<https://github.com/guardianproject/panickit>

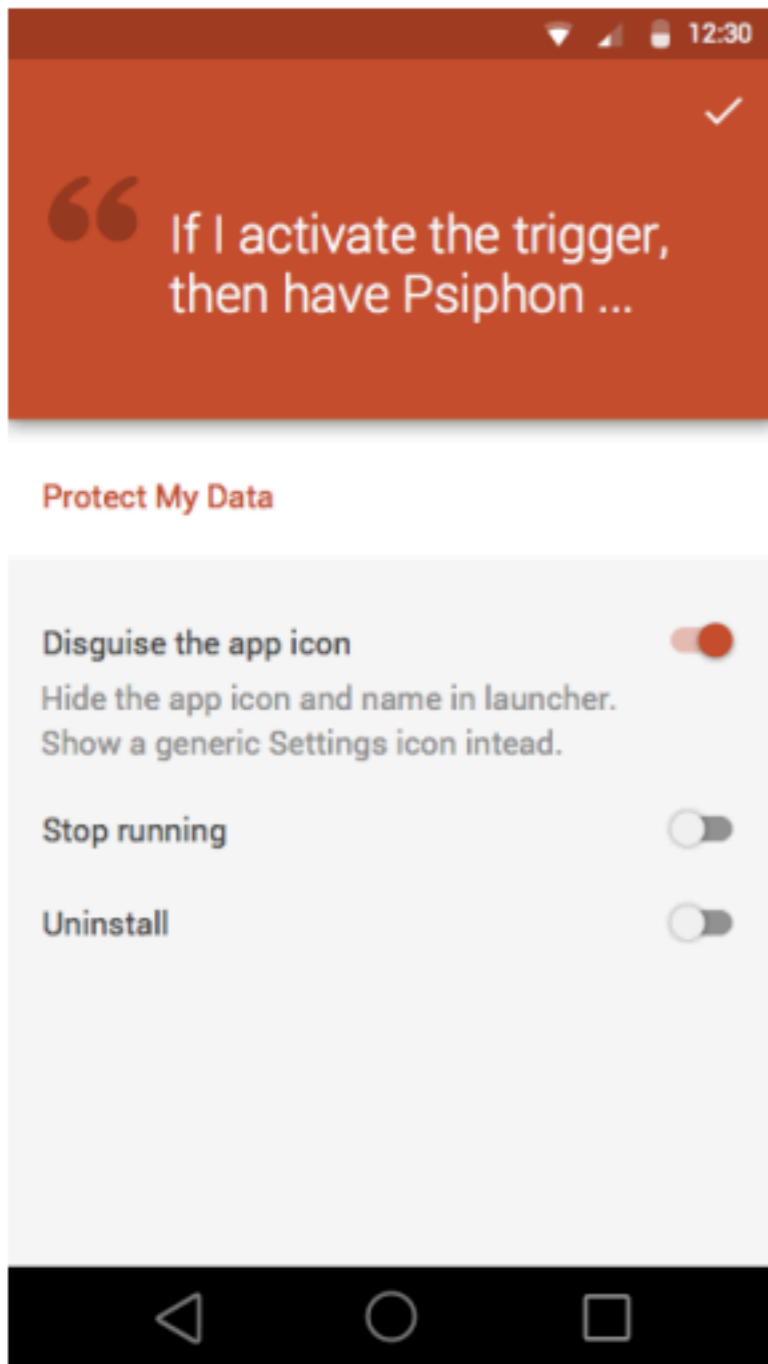


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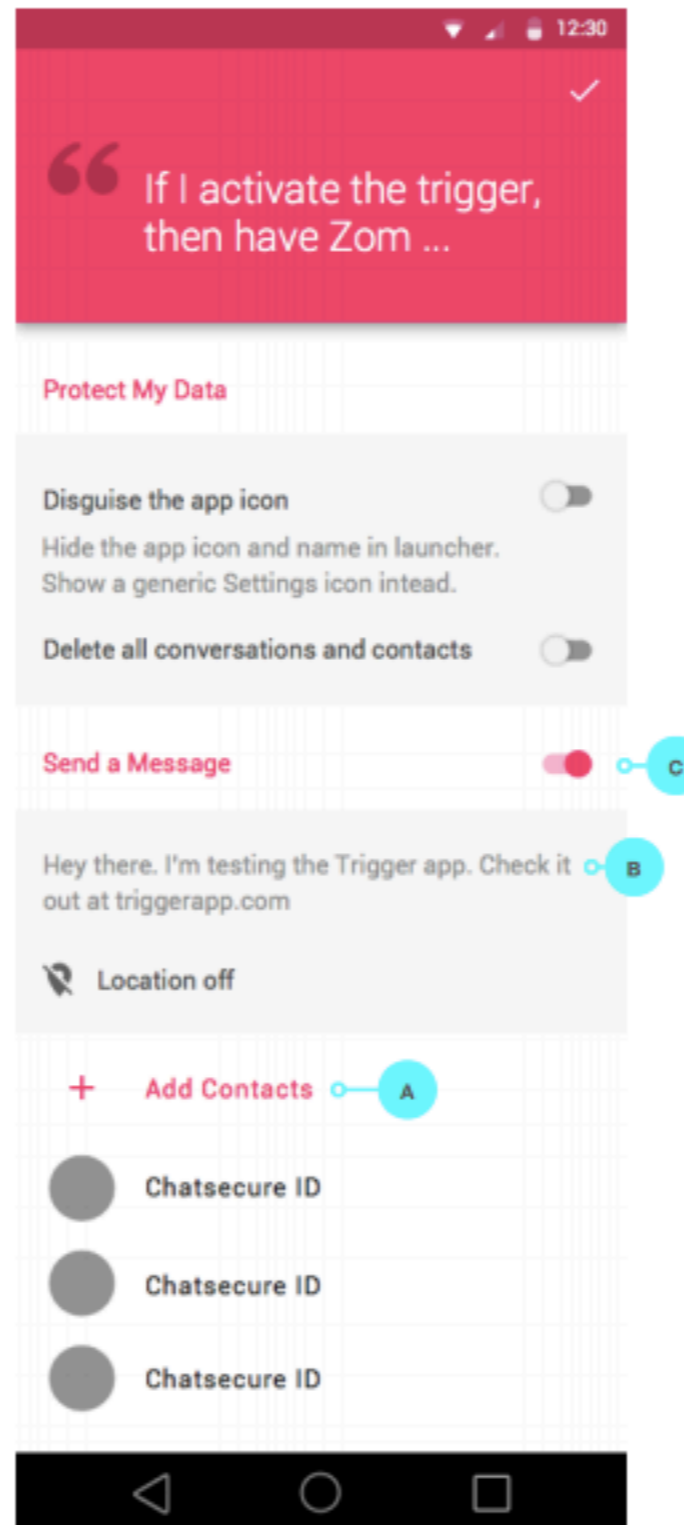


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# 02 Responders



PSIPHON CONFIG



ZOM CONFIG

## Defaults

The default panic action of a responder is a non-destructive action such as locking the app or disguising the app icon. This default response is set by the creators of the responder app.

## User Actions

A. Tap to choose contacts. Go to **03 ZOM CONFIG: CHOOSE CONTACTS**

B. Tap to edit the message. Go to **03 ZOM CONFIG: EDIT MESSAGE**.

C. Toggle to enable or disable this action. If enabled the default action within this section would be selected (ex: Disguise app icon). The default action would change based on the most recently selected action by the user.

Add a note about the OR cases

# TrustedIntents

<https://github.com/guardianproject/trustedintents>



# is it really you?

- am I directing users to the real Orbot?
- did this file come from the real Google Drive?
- was this Intent from one of our own apps?

```

public class MainActivity extends AppCompatActivity {

    private static TrustedIntents trustedIntents;

    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);

        trustedIntents = TrustedIntents.get(this);
        trustedIntents.addTrustedSigner(GuardianProjectRSA4096.class);

        setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);
        Toolbar toolbar = (Toolbar) findViewById(R.id.toolbar);
        setSupportActionBar(toolbar);

        Intent intent = trustedIntents.getIntentFromTrustedSender(this);

        FloatingActionButton fab = (FloatingActionButton) findViewById(R.id.fab);
        fab.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {
            @Override
            public void onClick(View view) {
                final Activity activity = MainActivity.this;
                try {
                    Intent intent = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_VIEW);
                    intent.setClassName("info.guardianproject.gpg",
                        "info.guardianproject.gpg.MainActivity");
                    trustedIntents.startActivity(activity, intent);
                } catch (ActivityNotFoundException e) {
                    e.printStackTrace();
                    Toast.makeText(activity, e.getLocalizedMessage(), Toast.LENGTH_LONG).show();
                } catch (CertificateException e) {
                    e.printStackTrace();
                    Toast.makeText(activity, e.getLocalizedMessage(), Toast.LENGTH_LONG).show();
                }
            }
        });
    }
}

```

<https://github.com/guardianproject/trustedintents>

reproducible builds!



# XCodeGhost

- malware version of XCode inserted library
- 10s of millions of users received affected apps
- reproducible builds would have prevented this
- more info at <https://reproducible-builds.org>





F-Droid

an community run Android app store  
that distributes verified Free Software

# fdroidserver tools

- makes reproducible builds trivial
- drozer scans for vulnerabilities
- libscout scans for old libs
- full, automated, secure build environment
- flexible automated signatures



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