Hello I'm Roger safety in today's Thursday, May 16 and you're listening to the information security news podcast brought to you by Northwestern University information technology the start with a story that sets in a follow-up to something we talked about last week and that was the print a lawsuit and there's two different articles and make available online in the show notes here the first one is from Ars Technica and it's an interview with John Steele who is one of the lawyers working with printer and for those of you didn't go with the podcast last week Brenda is a a company that owns the rights to some number I don't know the exact number of porn movies and what they do is they search the Internet for people that are offering their movies on BitTorrent and then they threaten to sue them in court they send them a pre-settlement letter (those settlements I haven't we have received one here at University so printer settlements I understand are a little on the high side couple thousand dollars each is what they want for these infringements and they send them out by the thousands is at least what do you know the weights reported and is bad for a variety of different reasons one couple thousand dollars that's an awful lot of money but it's a low enough figure of money where they you know they figured most people just pay it but it does clog up the the courts I mean fear you know put in all the suits out there mean that's a real issue anyway so 90 min. interview with the other guy you know kind of see how they work and the other thing is they put out a new letter now that they send people and the new letter says looking at in addition to you know us conduct his investigation were good interview your neighbors to find out if they know you're downloading porn which is you note the way these people handle this stuff is just absolutely shady I think and the you know I really hope that the that I know that the judge who investigated this case said that the sent this to for criminal investigation I really hope that something comes of that because these these guys seem like there they've just gone too far. They're using the law in a way that it's not meant to be used at least in my opinion am not a lawyer so who knows anyway is another story and this is a sort of a commentary on you know what's going on to socially hear their social kitchen nightmares I'll watch it seemed seemed a couple times in ozone flipping through the channels and stops I have a little idea what's going on anyway one of the people that they work with on the show was a company called Amy's baking company the restaurant Amy's baking company and apparently Gordon Ramsay walked off to the show because it was the these people just wacky and they they started sending all these crazy tweets out you know basically telling their customers to stuff it then you know just really obnoxious stuff that he did this for several den that you don't like dolomite my account was hacked right this is happened more than once know where people have used this excuse and you don't have that sure what to make of that it's your first ball I think you shouldn't toss that stuff around lately because when baggage that's associated with that but I think it's become this casual now my account was hacked a bit like no you don't c'est la vie well we'll just move on and you know will get it all taken care of and I'm not sure that's the best thing anyway it's kind of interesting to read this this these tweets and it's you know what if I was running a business I would certainly not be running it this way-we have $45 million stolen in the in the cyber theft the bank heist and this is pretty interesting because the article goes into how they did this and apparently they did in two different attacks and in one in one case they they withdrew $2.4 million from 3000 separate ATM withdrawals in just over 10 hours now and they arrested eight people for this year I can't imagine this was I believe this took place in New York City
but I can't that eight people could make 3000 ATM withdraws in 10 hours I mean these people must've really been working everyday or working to get that $2.4 million here and then they did the attacks again and ended up with a total of $45 million pretty amazing if there's a second article that goes along with this here where the author is trying to figure out decode of the tangle what's happening here the word she uses that she suggests because this is global in nature and there so many different banks and agencies involved that we may never actually be able to figure out what's going on here I don't know if that's true or not I hope it's not because obviously it is a real problem when you can have $45 million stolen from ATMs but the inner will find out all the sure was me more about this here and I will certainly keep you posted then the next thing want talk about is a video that shows a what I think it looks like an Apple laptop being stolen from a restaurant and this is the you know the closed-circuit video cameras that they've gotten a lot of different places now this happens to be from central London in kind of a ritzy looking area and basically it shows a couple of guys sitting at a table having guilt lunch or whatever and that laptop is sitting there and you just see Sunday casually walk over take it and it's gone I mean like it it happened so fast it you know you don't even have time reacted to see these guys get up and try to give chase but am sure there is no possibility there and catch this person but it really highlights a few year the kind of person who leaves your purse or your backpack or briefcase or laptop your phone just lying out why you got something to because it's right next to you at a restaurant the airport you know what ever it's these steps can happen so quickly that it'll just boggle your mind so take a look at this video and then think about ways that you can keep yourself secure when it comes to your own devices you know don't have them where somebody could just casually be able walk up and grab them and think about those things when you're when you're in public places then is a an article here from Brian Krebs and the DOS services and basically what he's saying is look these things you can they take PayPal interleaving: the PayPal and paid somebody to be de-dust and the in I I got to say have a real problem with that the fact that you can use PayPal for services like prostitution you can use it for services like the DOS and you can use it for services are you all kinds of things and I know a you can use real money for this as well why should PayPal be any different but it just seems like the the convenience of being able to to this electronically and from anywhere and just you know pay somebody via PayPal that's that that convenience factor is where I have the problem with innovative you want to pay somebody and dollars in only in theory you have to meet with them are mailed on the money after find some way to get the money you know and that's another step that I think most people I know that most people would be taking that step but if I could just click on a link and put in a credit card number and you know for few dollars I can deed us somebody I think a lot of people take advantage of that and this article from Krebs suggests that that's the case so I really do hope that PayPal cracks down on these kind of things I know that it's not their job to be the you know the quote quote police in these matters but they have a business and never reputation and I think if they want their reputation be good there not one have these kinds of things happening a regular basis in the last story want talk about his Olympics bug that's out there right now to limit zero day they thought that they fix this in some updates last month but apparently they didn't there is a configuration change that you can make that will sort of help it looks like you can get around that anyway there is no report yet on a fix for this we do know the bug is being
exploited widely and there's attack code all over the place I was in a kind of amazed just how quickly the attack code was publicly available for this Linux bug so if you're running a Linux system please make sure that you pay attention to the updates and make sure that you pay attention to this bug that's out there you'll find the information the show notes at the which could find on our website thanks for listening if you have any comments or suggestions please feel free to send them to our – safety in a northwestern.edu is always you find additional security information as well's notes to contain the links for today's podcast at our website www.IT.northwestern.edu/security