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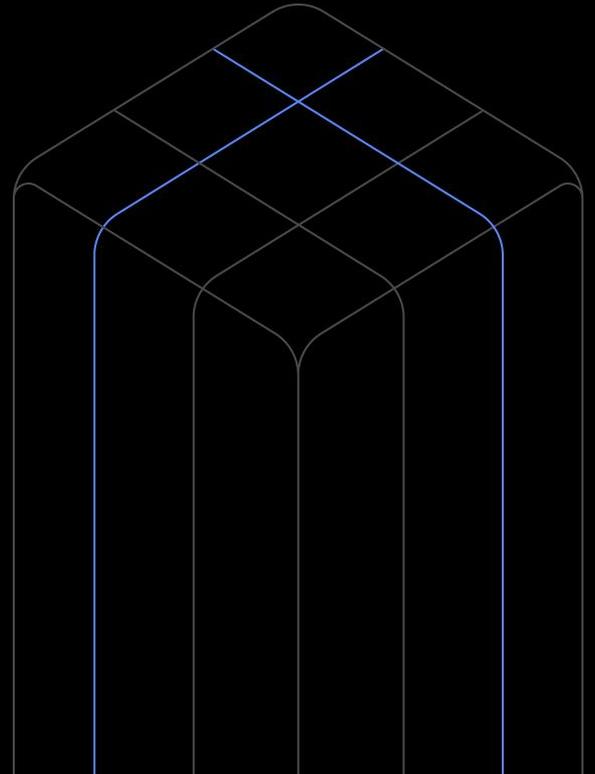
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Cybersecurity: **Then, Now, Why & How**

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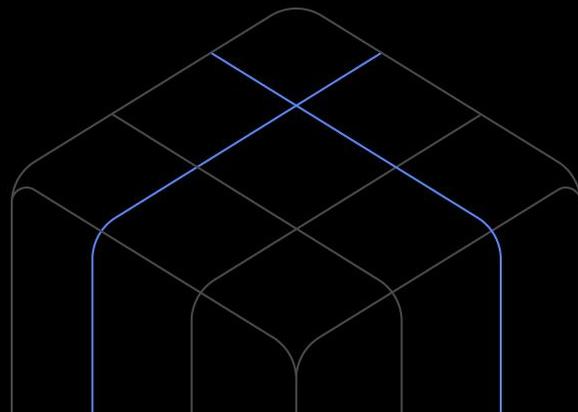
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NordVPN[®]

User-first cybersecurity suite

Created for security, designed for productivity



One of the world's **leading cybersecurity** solutions providers

20,000+
businesses protected

10+ years
in the market

\$3B
valuation – the official Unicorn

2012

Co-founders Tom Okman and Eimantas Sabaliauskas launched the first version of NordVPN for Windows



2013

The NordVPN app went live



2014

Exponential growth - surpassed 10K users and rolled out 24/7 support

2022

\$1.6B

Achieved Unicorn status. In our first-ever funding round of \$100M, we reached a total valuation of \$1.6B

2023

\$3B

Raised a second investment round \$100M and doubled total valuation to \$3B

2016

Donated our first emergency VPN accounts

2020

Introduced NordLynx protocol for superior speed

2024

Introduced three new products:

2026

One more product in portfolio

2019

Launched three additional cybersecurity products





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Your security challenges, solved



NordStellar

Threat exposure management platform that enables you to detect and respond to cyber threats targeting your company before they escalate



NordPass

End-to-end encrypted password manager that ensures the finest standards of privacy and security for business



NordLayer

Network security, threat detection, and response platform that integrates seamlessly with any technology stack and comes with unmatched support

1.

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To mitigate leaked data, your company adopts **NordPass** for secured credentials, unmanaged access, shared accounts, and shadow IT management.

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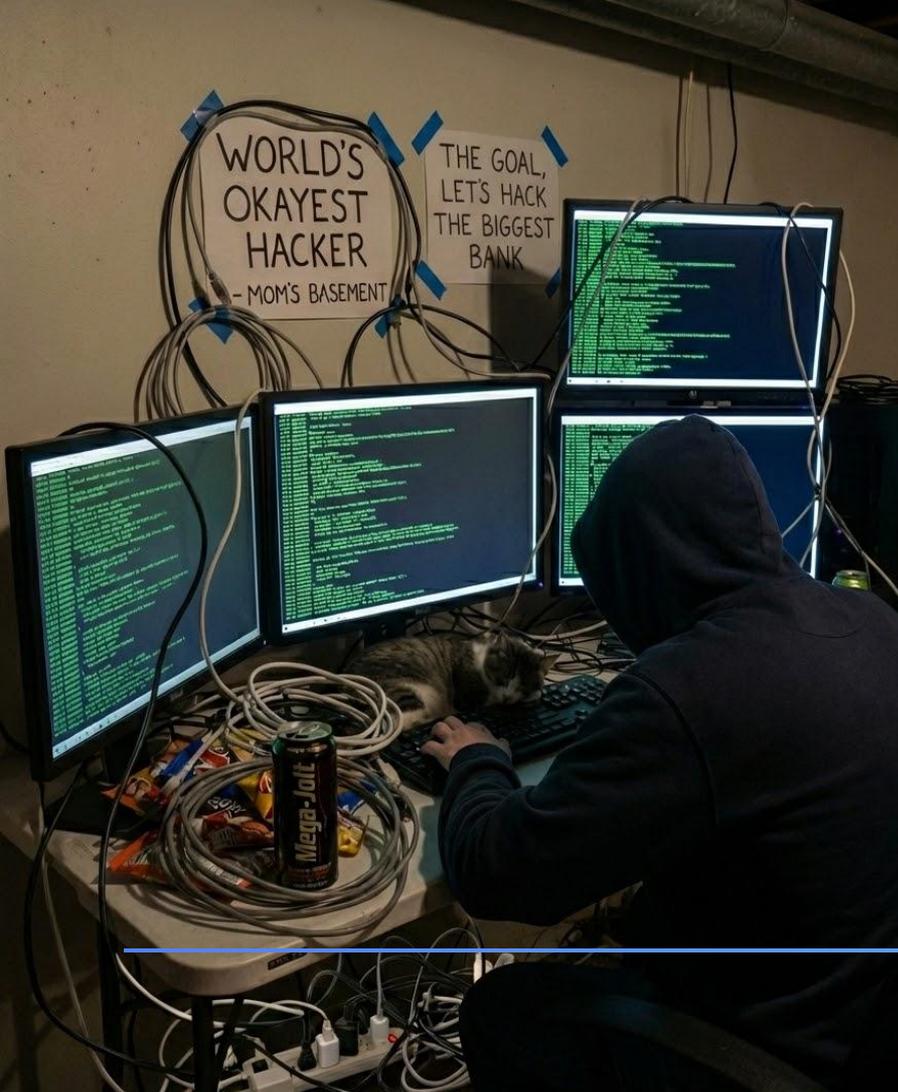
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THEN



The world was already interconnected...

...yet interconnection was growing at the speed of light



Hackers

Back then, cyberattacks required strong technical skills, time, patience, and usually a **specific target**



Opportunists

Back then, they were more like script-kiddies downloading tools they didn't fully understand, running generic and limited-scale attacks



Is a closed system a myth?

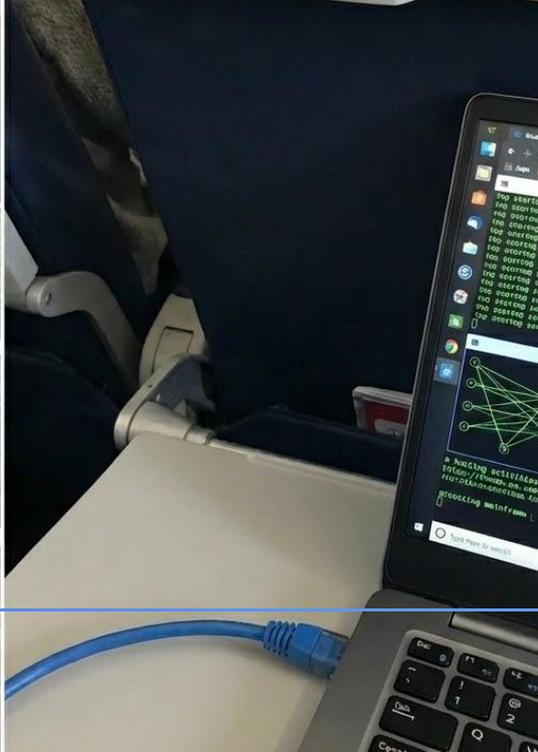




Closed system?

Charlie Miller and Chris Valasek demonstrated they could remotely access a Jeep Cherokee's internal systems





Closed system?

Chris Roberts case, where he claimed he could access aircraft systems through the in-flight entertainment network.



NOW



Hoodie hackers still exist...

...but they are building toolkits,
platforms, and "cyber crime services"



Cybercrime
became a
business.





Then

High skill,
low volume
attacks.



Now

Low skill,
massive volume
attacks.



Now, anyone can
become a victim



Not because you're special.

But because you're reachable.



WHY



The world has changed...

...the mindset around cyber defence
should change as well

WHY



We moved from installed software to SaaS



Attackers don't always "hack in". They log in.

Shadow IT transformation



Good people are trying to do their jobs faster

Supercharged social engineering



The easiest way into a company is by hacking trust.



Phishing

"Your Microsoft session has expired. Please login again."



Fake websites

Pixel-perfect clone of your real login portal: Microsoft 365, Google; Okta; internal SSO



Invoice fraud

"We changed our entity name. Use this new bank account."



Domain spoofing

- microsoft.com (missing o)
- microsoft.com (missing r)
- microsft.com (transposed f and o)
- microsoftt.com (double f)
- rmicrosoft.com (👁️👁️?)





Deepfake voice

"I'm in a meeting. I need this transfer done urgently. Don't delay."



Deepfake video

...this one scares me as well



HOW



Accept the truth...

HOW



The hard part:

PEOPLE



Awareness is **everyone's** job

- slow down when it's urgent
- verify when it's emotional
- double confirm when money is involved
- don't trust links blindly
- question anything that feels slightly off



Usually people imagine an insider threat as

- a malicious employee
- someone stealing data
- someone sabotaging systems

But in reality, the biggest insider threat is

unintentional.



Any of us
can become one.



Cybersecurity is not about:
"click the wrong link → you get fired."

One incident can cause
the **business closing**



HOW



The easy* part:

TECHNOLOGY

* - compared to educating employees and raising awareness

The risk is **never zero...**



The goal



reduce **likelihood**



reduce
impact



recover
faster





Secure Web Gateway (SWG)

Securing user access to the internet by enforcing policies, filtering malicious content



Threat Exposure Management

Dark web monitoring and attack surface management



Detection and Response

Data correlation, detection and coordinated response across endpoints, network, cloud, email, and identity domains



Segmentation or ZTNA

- least privilege access
- role-based permissions
- separating systems
- separating environments
- limiting what an account can reach

Continuously verifying whether a specific user, using a particular device in the given context, can access specific resources.



This is how modern organizations can survive incidents





Readiness & Backups

Personnel are prepared for disruption, and there are regularly tested backups



Response & Recovery

Guides for coordinated actions to contain incidents and rapidly restore



Testing & Improvement

Validates recovery capabilities through drills and testing



Let's wrap it up!

NOW

Massive scale, automation, SaaS everywhere, opportunists everywhere.

RECIPE

- Awareness
- Insider threat mitigation
- Accepting that the risk is never zero
- Designing IT infrastructure so incidents don't become disasters.



It is our all responsibility to

1

Help IT with the "easy" part

2

Take ownership of the "hard" part





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