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# SSL Vulnerabilities and best practices to secure your SSL/TLS Implementation

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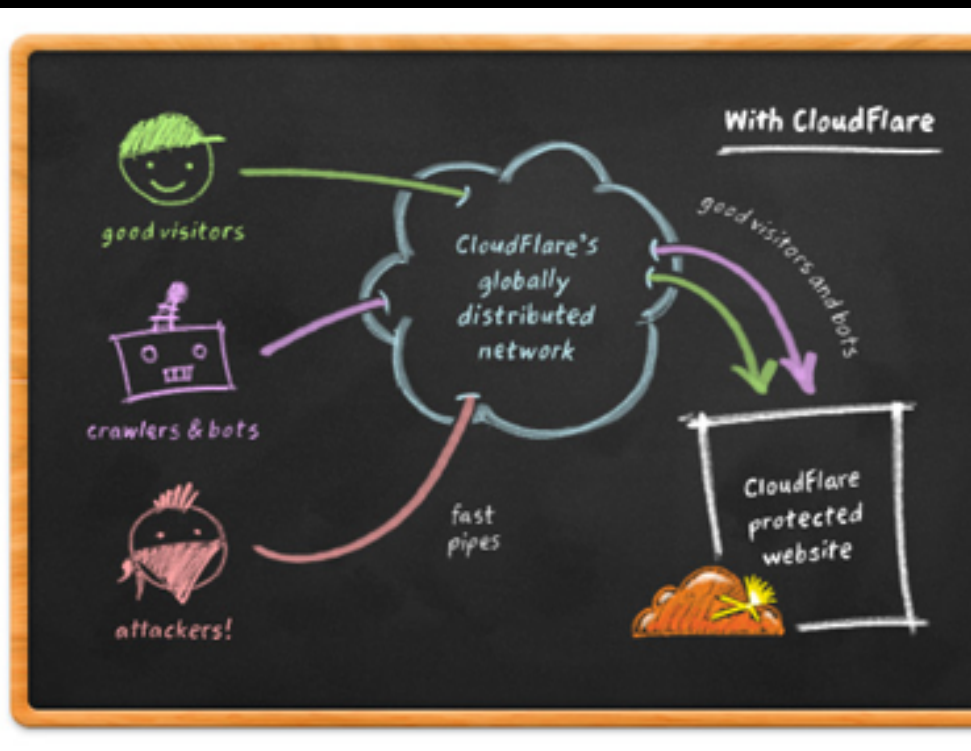
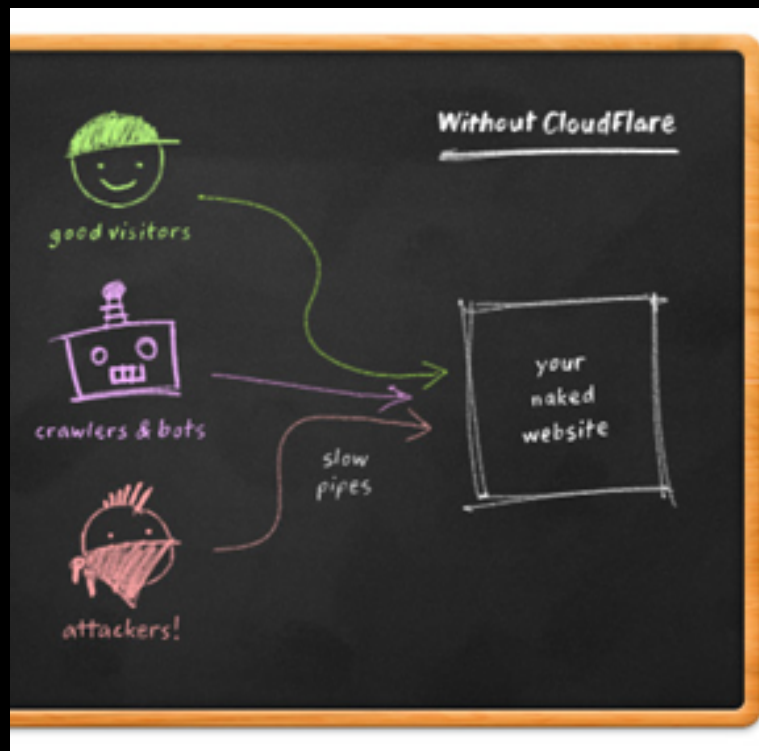
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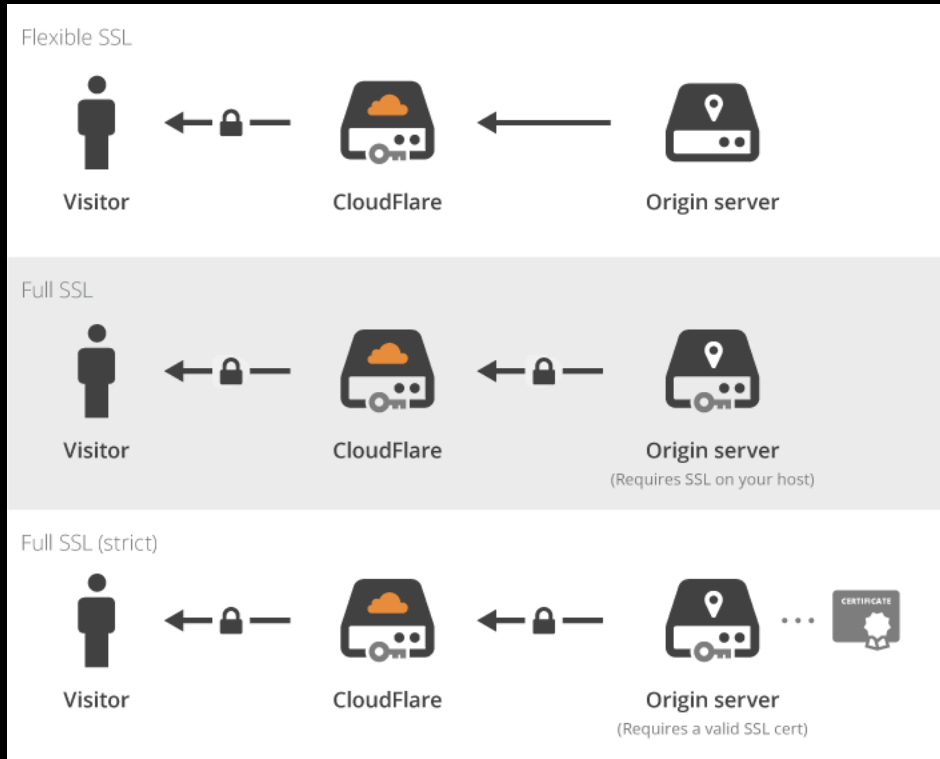
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When we say SSL we mean TLS except when referring to SSL 2.0/3.0

# Who are we ?



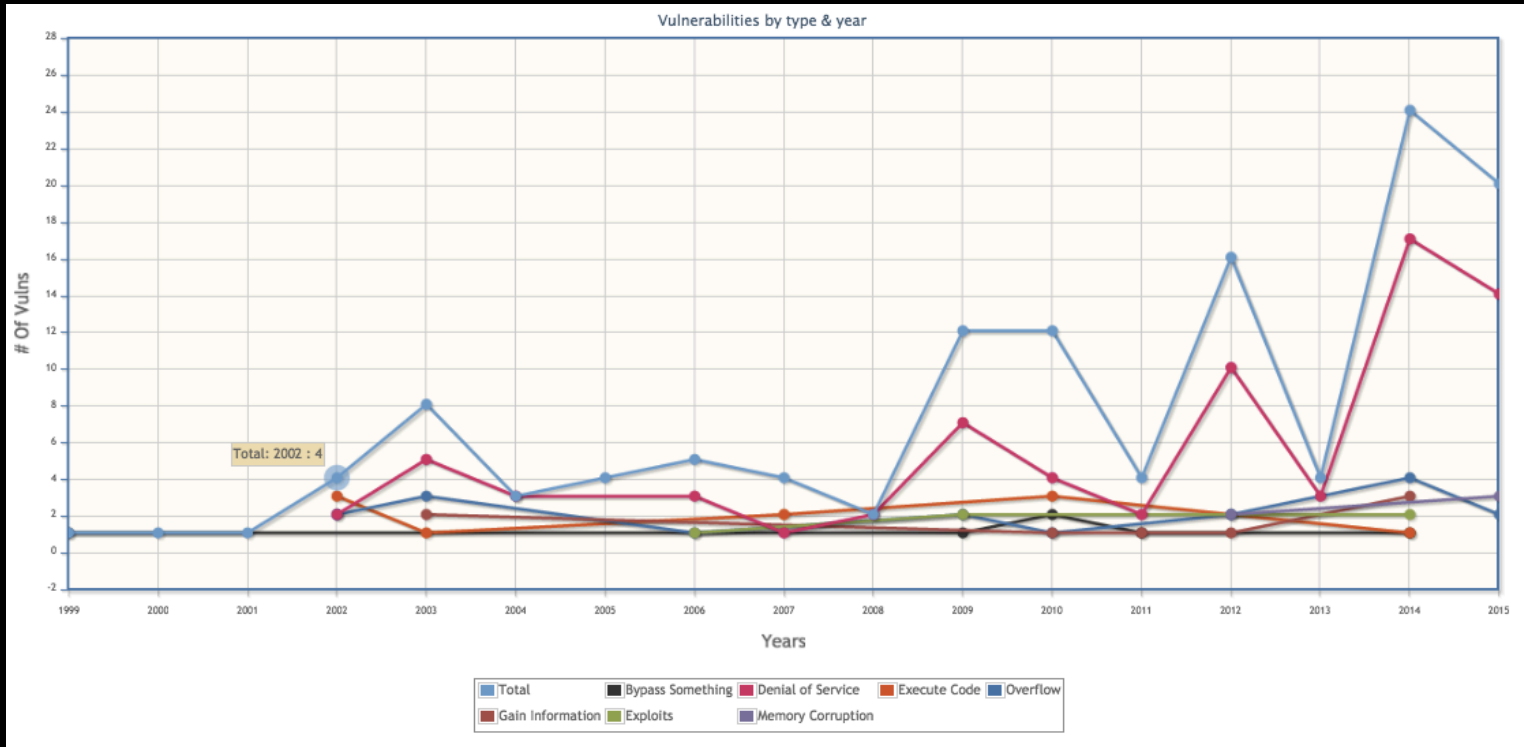
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# Many Recent SSL Vulnerabilities

- BEAST – Sept. 2011 (CVE-2011-3389)
- Heartbleed – April 2014 (CVE-2014-0160)
- POODLE Vulnerability (SSL3.0) Oct. 2014 - (CVE-2014-0160)
- BERserk (Mozilla)
- TLS POODLE – Feb. 2015 - (CVE-2014-8730)
- FREAK SSL/TLS Vulnerability – March 2015 (CVE-2015-0204)
- LOGJAM – May 21
- ...

# OpenSSL vulnerabilities by year



# BEAST – Sept. 2011 (CVE-2011-3389)

- Severity: HIGH
- RCE: No
- MITM Attack: YES
- Mitigation: Update TLS 1.0 & TLS 1.1, Prioritize RC4 Ciphers
- RC4 since been deprecated. Browser support to Mitigate fully.
- Others: CRIME, BREACH

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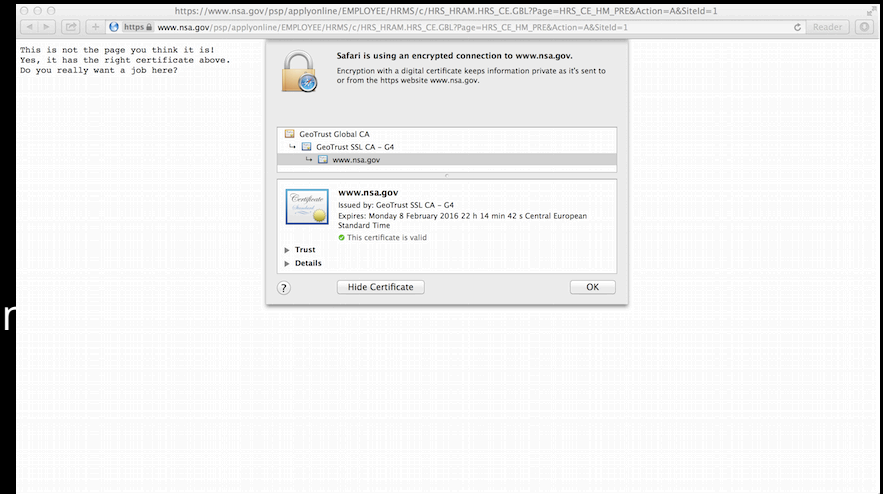


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- Mitigation: Deprecate SSL 3.0, Patch OpenSSL Versions
- TLS POODLE: Feb. 2015

# FREAK SSL/TLS Vulnerability – (CVE-2015-0204)

- What: FREAK (Factoring Attack on RSA-EXPORT Keys CVE-2015-0204) is a weakness in some implementations of SSL/TLS that may allow an attacker to decrypt secure communications between vulnerable clients and servers.
- Severity: LOW (sort of)
- RCE: No
- MITM Attack: YES
- Mitigation: Update OpenSSL, Remove EC Er
- NSA Site was compromised

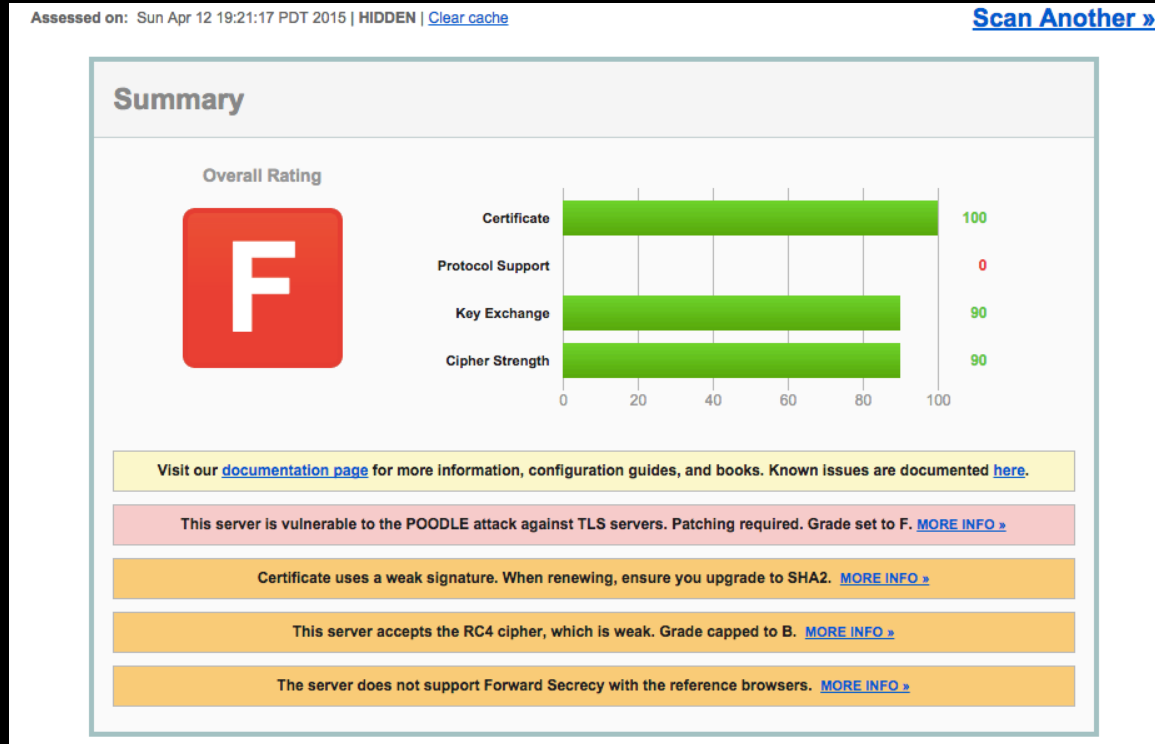


# Concerted industry efforts

- HTTPS Everywhere
  - Google, Yahoo, others
- EFF – Lets Encrypt –
- CF Universal SSL
- Move sites to full HTTPS

What are the Risks in the real world.

# Many Financial Sites are Vulnerable



# MITM is very easy in Public Networks

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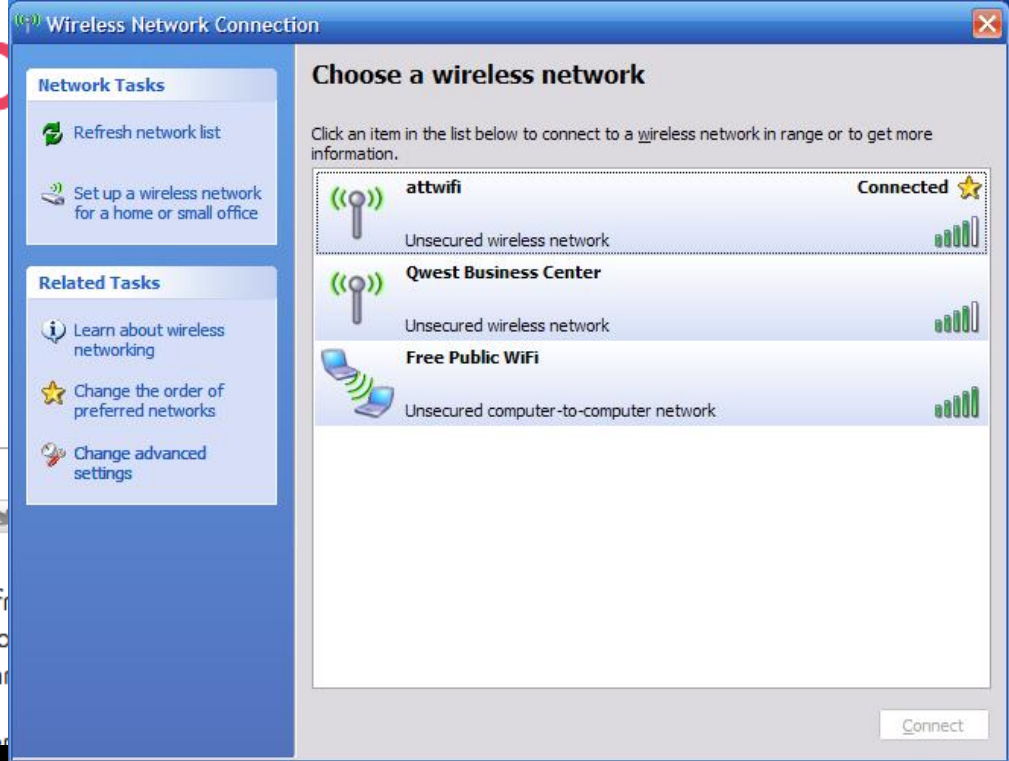


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Would you give up your firstborn child or favorite pet to use free public WiFi, right? But in an independent investigation conducted on a scale that most people would not agree to do just that – just to be able to instantly, freely connect to public WiFi.

For the experiment, we asked Finn Steglich of the German network security firm



# Lack of Urgency

- Many Enterprise Managers see MITM as a remote possibility.
- Difficulty in Patching Legacy Systems
- Obsolete Network Devices unable to support newer protocols

**BANK with POODLE Vulnerable E-Banking Servers (supporting SSL2 and SSL3)**

“Es un issue conocido por nosotros, pero negocios mantiene la decisión de soportar todavía IE 6. Felipe, gracias por el heads up. Es un tema que debemos revisar este trimestre nuevamente. “

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# Recommendations

- Patch your SSL/TLS Regularly (configuration builder)
- If not possible on servers implement Proxy Services either Cloud or SSL Offload (Load Balancers, HA Proxy).
- Update to newest Protocol Support: TLS 1.2, TLS 1.1 (TLS 1.3 IETF Draft)
- Remove Deprecated Protocols: SSL 2.0, SSL 3.0, RC4, TLS 1.0
- PCI Council– “no version of SSL meets PCI SSC’s definition of “strong cryptography,”
  - PCI 3.1 (June 2016) – Mandate TLS 1.2



# Recommendations

- Best Current Practices - RFC7525
  - Remove SSL2.0 and SSL3.0, Should Not TLS 1.0 & 1.1.
  - Must support and prefer TLS 1.2
  - HSTS (Must support, should use)
  - Safe TLS compression (based on protocol) and Session Resumption
  - Cipher Suites (Remove RC4, Export, <128-bits)
- Mozilla Configuration Builder for server Apache, Nginx, HAProxy, AWS
  - <https://mozilla.github.io/server-side-tls/ssl-config-generator/>

# In the Lab

- Build your own Security Proxy
  - Useful for forcing HTTPS and avoiding mixed content messages.
  - How to get A+ Rating on sslabs.com: Forward Secrecy, Session Tickets, HSTS



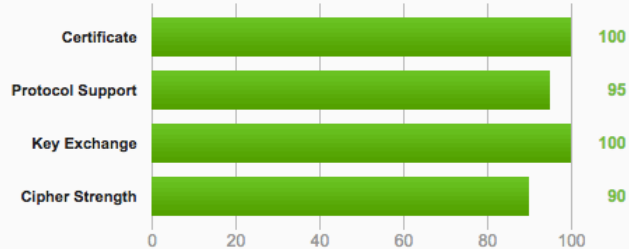
- Guide: <http://arstechnica.com/information-technology/2015/05/web-served-how-to-make-your-site-all-https-all-the-time-for-everyone/>

# Happy Place

SSL Report: [tribaldos.com](https://tribaldos.com) (104.20.1.59)

## Summary

Overall Rating



Visit our [documentation page](#) for more information, configuration guides, and books. Known issues are documented [here](#).

This server supports TLS\_FALLBACK\_SCSV to prevent protocol downgrade attacks.

This server supports HTTP Strict Transport Security with long duration. Grade set to A+. [MORE INFO »](#)

Thank you

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