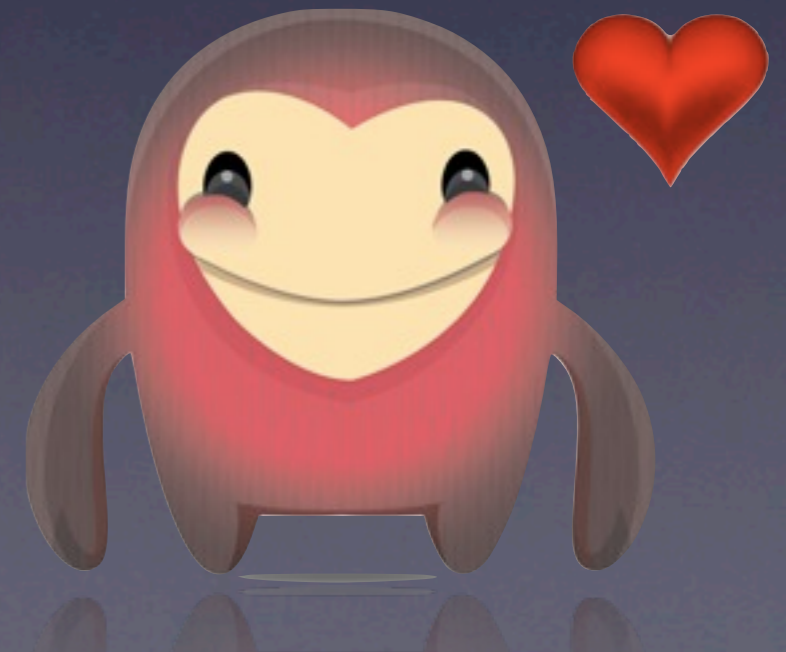


# Bugs & Kisses

Spying on BlackBerry users for fun



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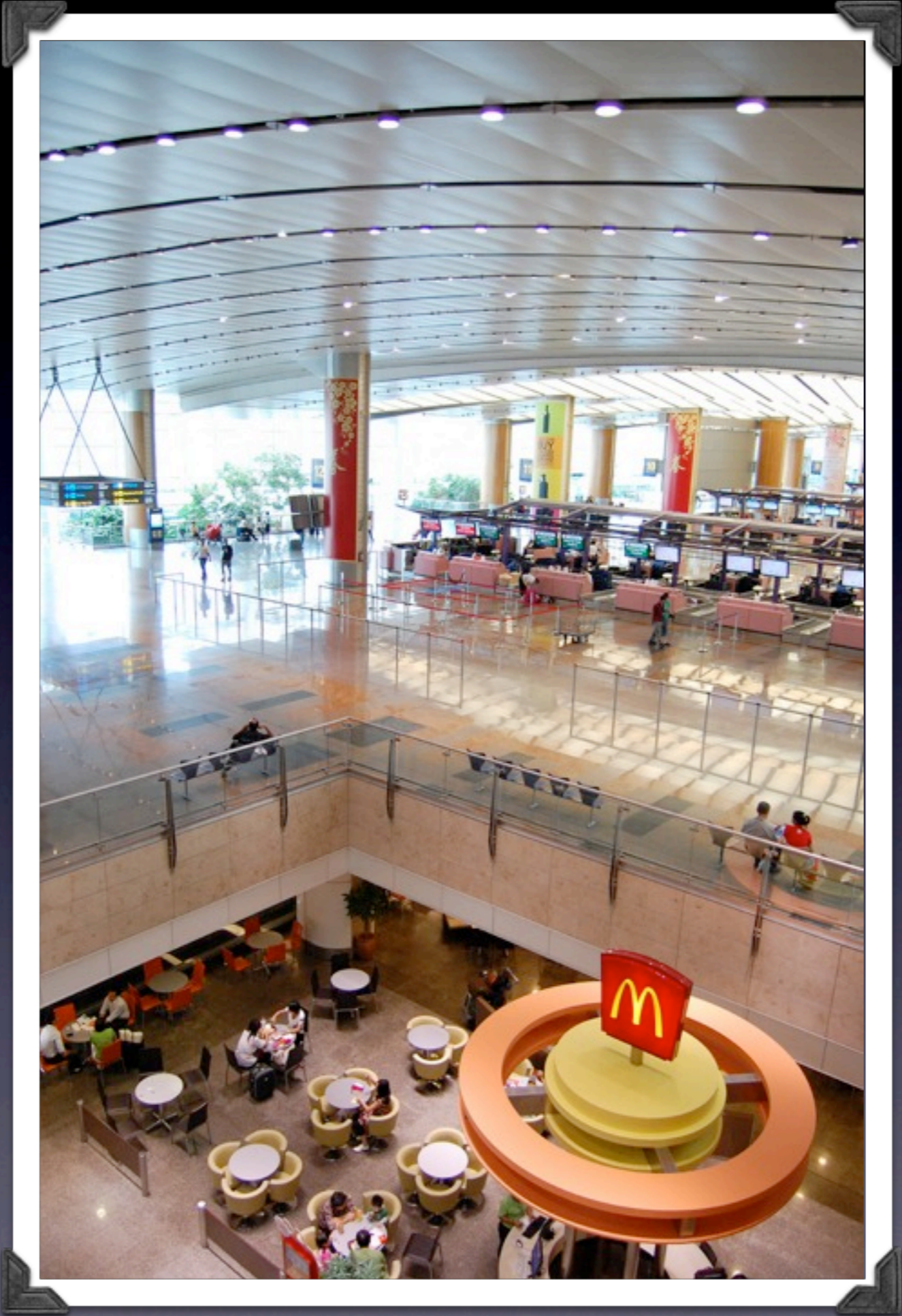
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QWERTY Keyboard

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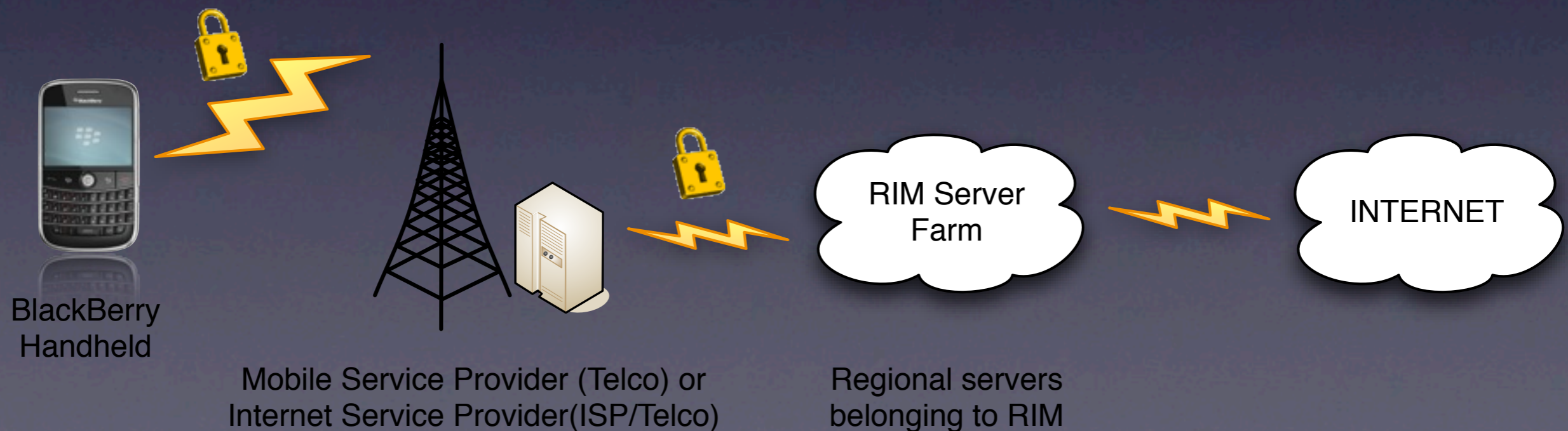
Allow or deny access to Internet  
Connectivity

# Transport Security

Traffic is encrypted up to RIM in Canada

Cannot MITM

Even HTTP traffic goes over a tunnel



# Device Encryption

Memory and mini-SD card cannot be read on another device

Stolen, encrypted devices are still safe





Granular Security Controls  
Transport Level Security  
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# Personal Information?



Personal (read 'naughty') pictures



Private text messages



Emails with passwords, contracts,  
personal info



Phone Call Logs; who have you been  
calling?

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# APIs



## DTMF Tones

Upto version 4.3.0: **getDTMFTones()** 

- Grabs DTMF Tones from the Call Queue

After 4.3.0: **addKeyListener(), keyDown(), keyUp(), keyStatus()** 

- Install a Key Logger

# APIs



## Text Messages

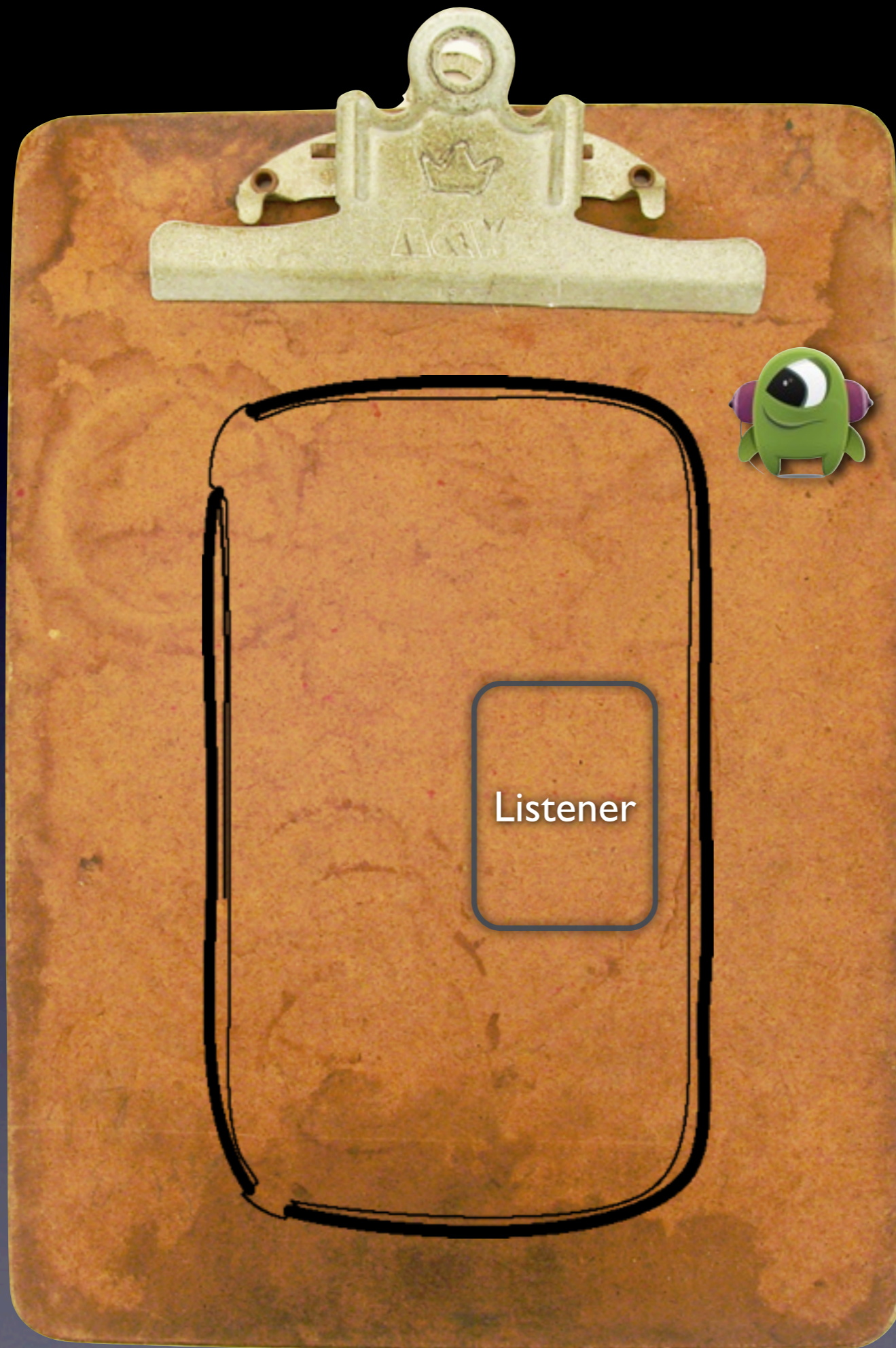
Package: **javax.wireless.messaging**

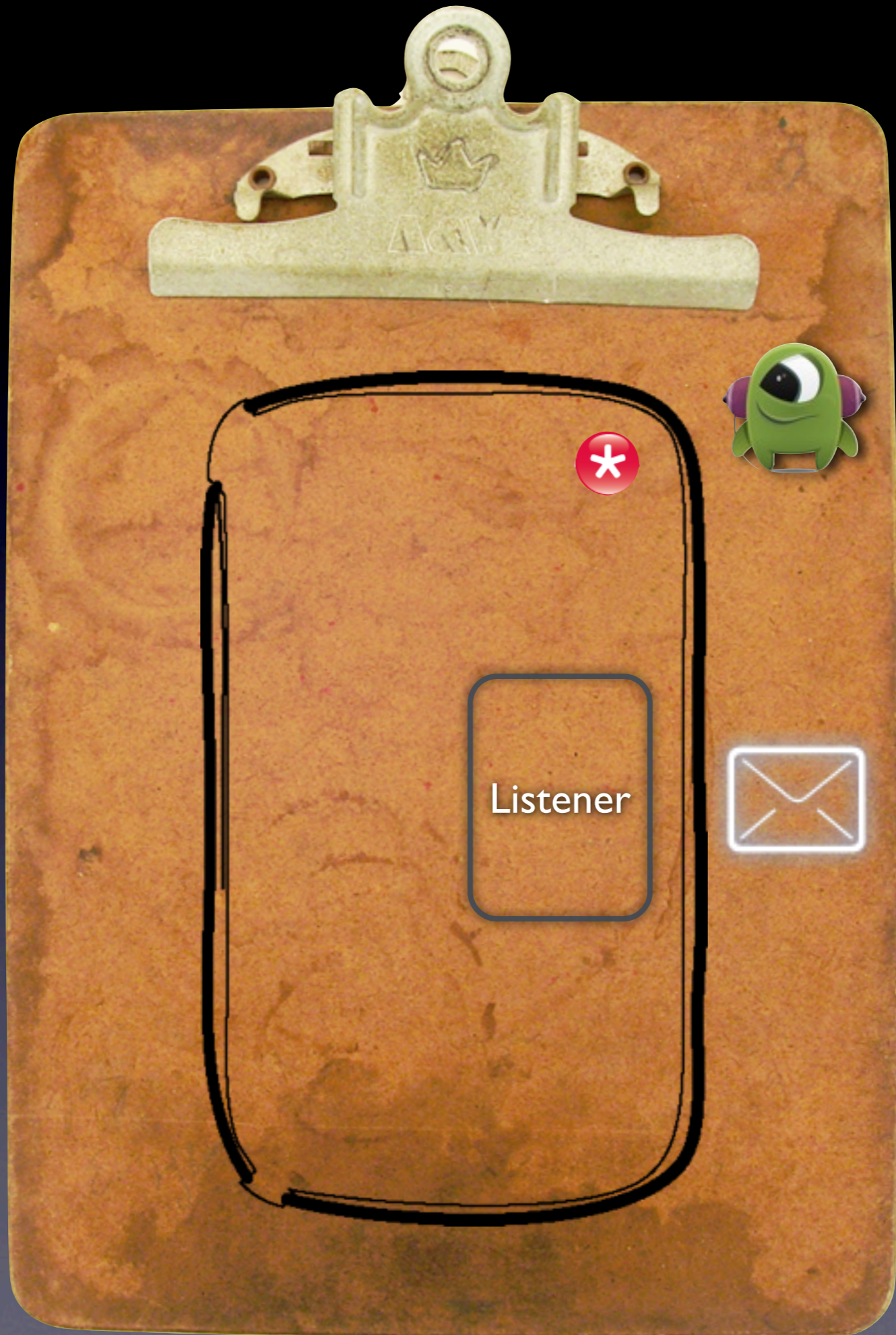
Interface: **MessageListener**

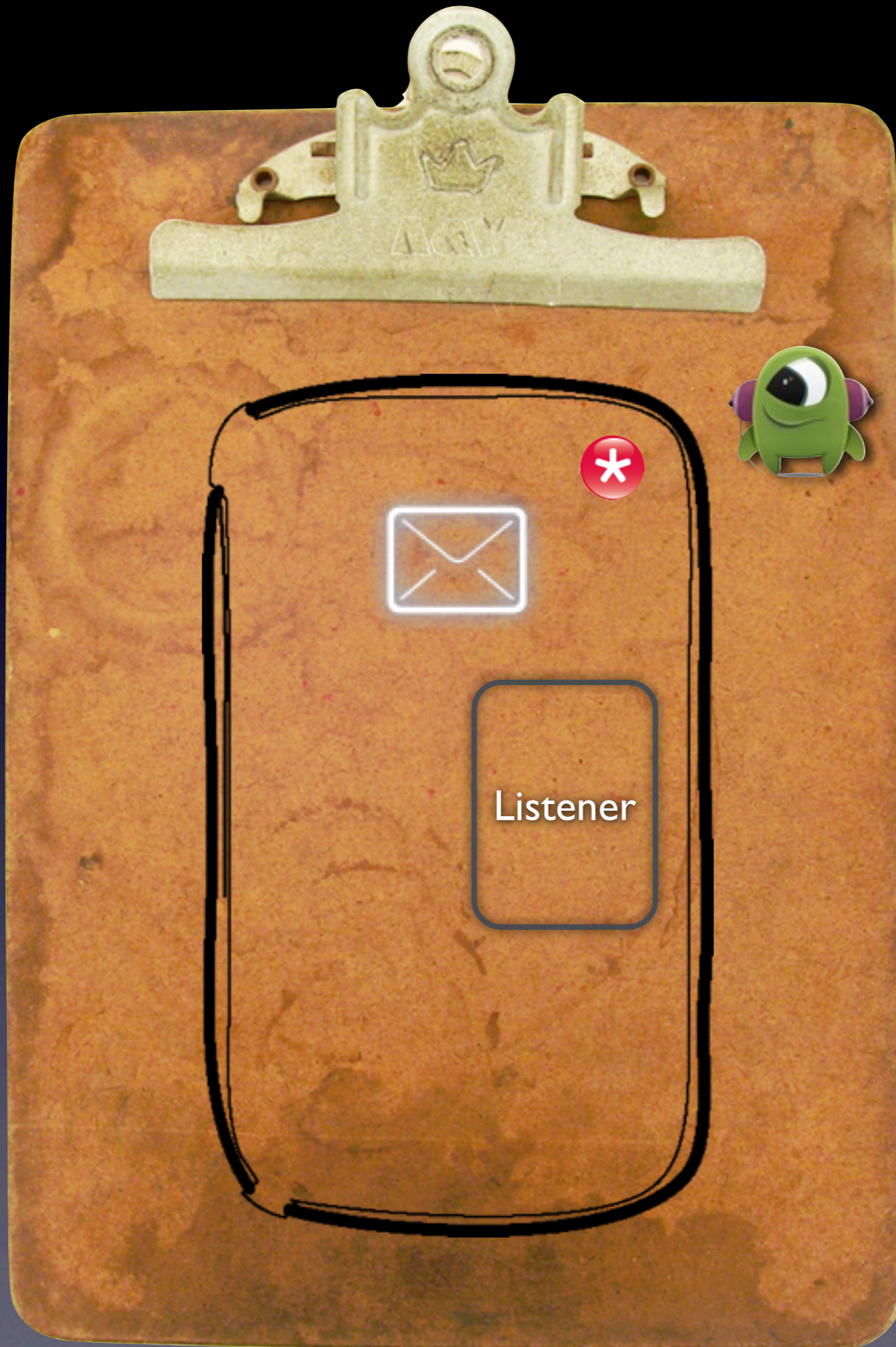
Methods: **setMessageListener()**

- Receive and Send SMS messages without owner's knowledge









# APIs



## Email Messages



Package: **net.rim.blackberry.api.mail.event**

Interface: **FolderListener**

Methods: **messagesAdded()**

- Intercept and forward all emails on the BlackBerry handheld
- Send spoofed email from the device

# APIs



## Remote Listening

Package: **net.rim.blackberry.api.phone**

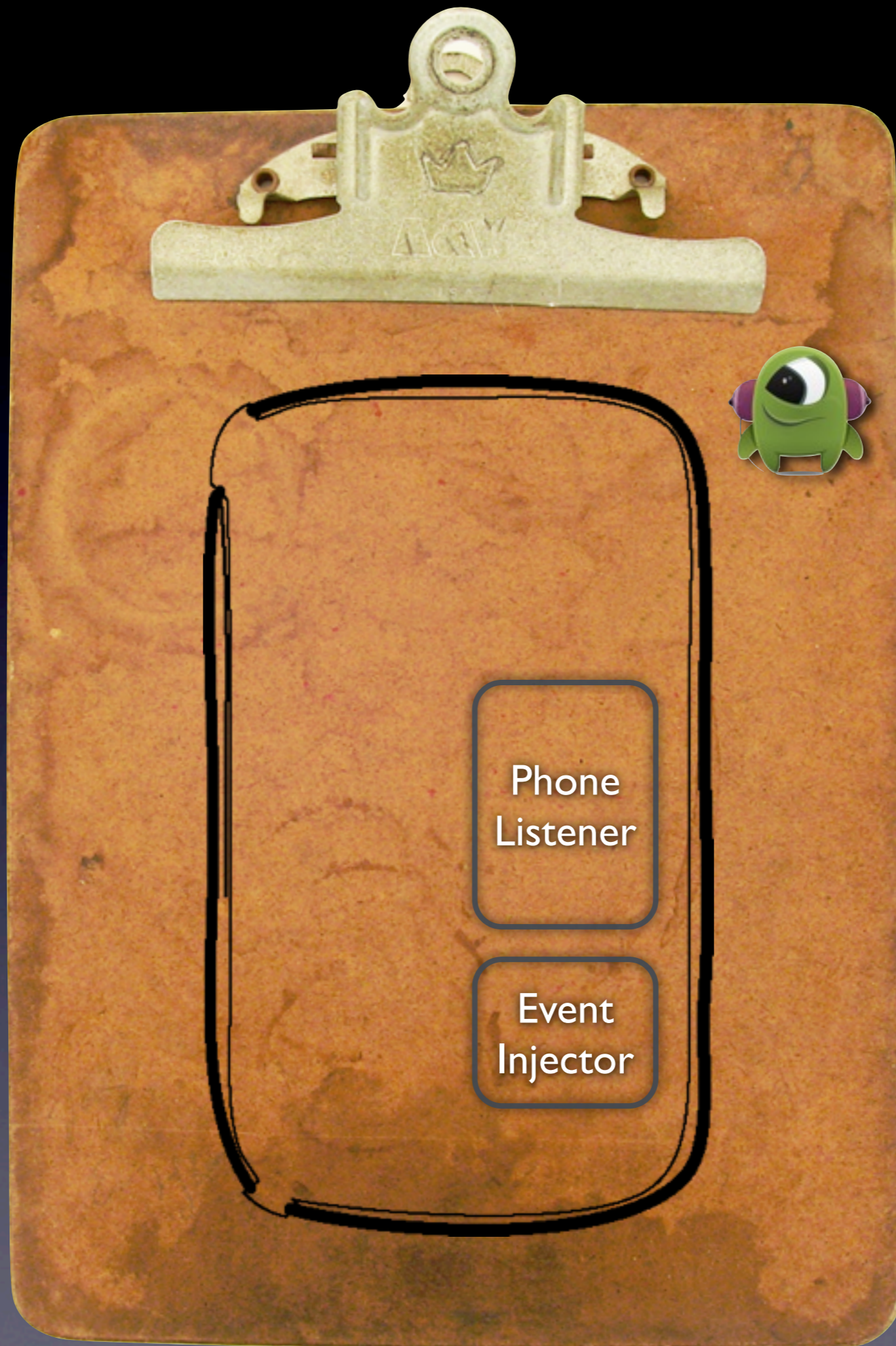


Interface: **PhoneListener**

Methods: **EventInjector.invokeEvent()**

- Silently intercept phone call, turn microphone on and listen in
- Portable bugging device



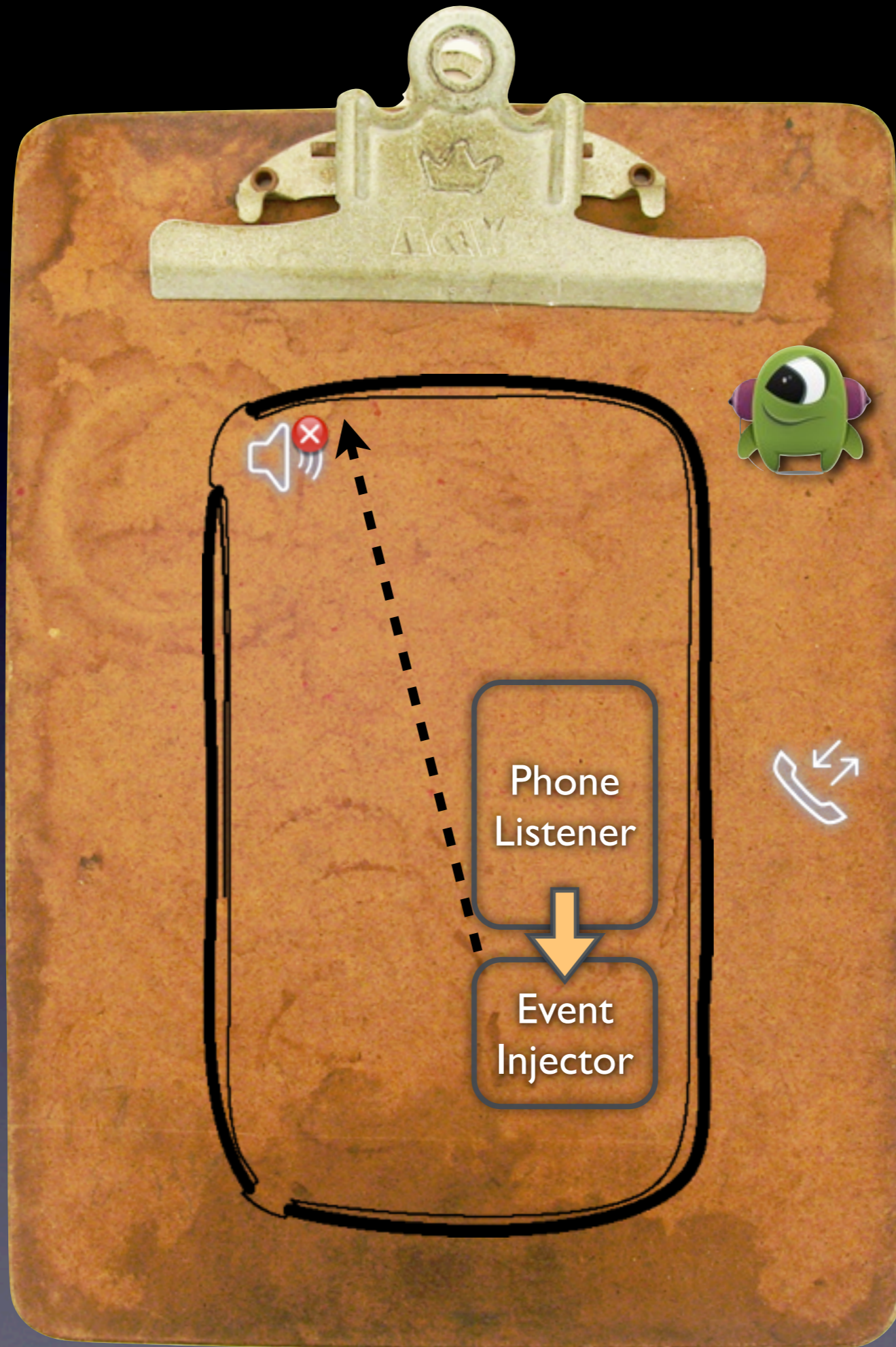


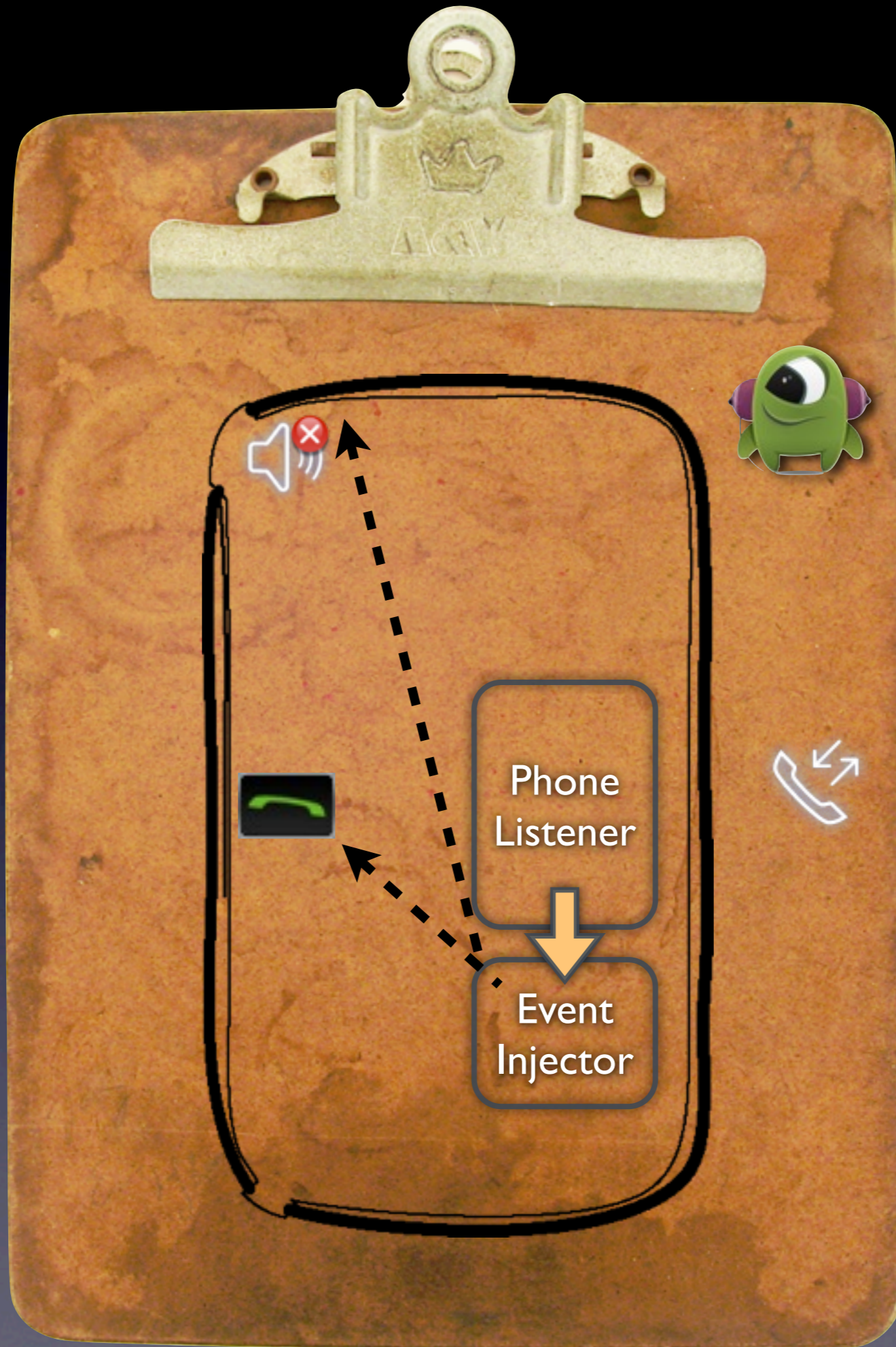
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Listener

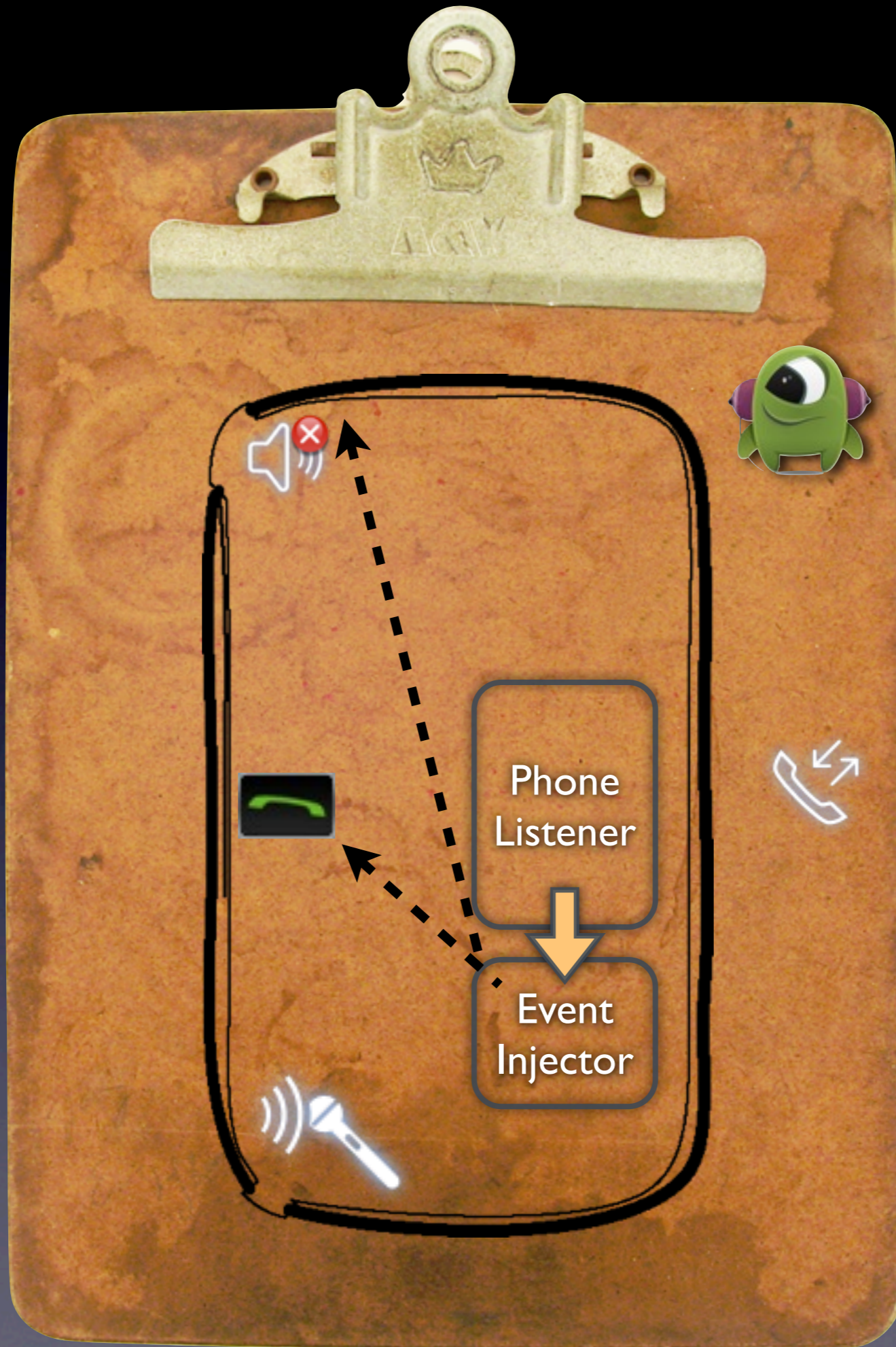
Event  
Injector











# APIs



## Camera

Package: **javax.microedition.media.control**

Interface: **VideoControl**

Methods: **getSnapshot()**

- Capture image from built-in camera
- Gives you a clue as to where the victim is







# APIs



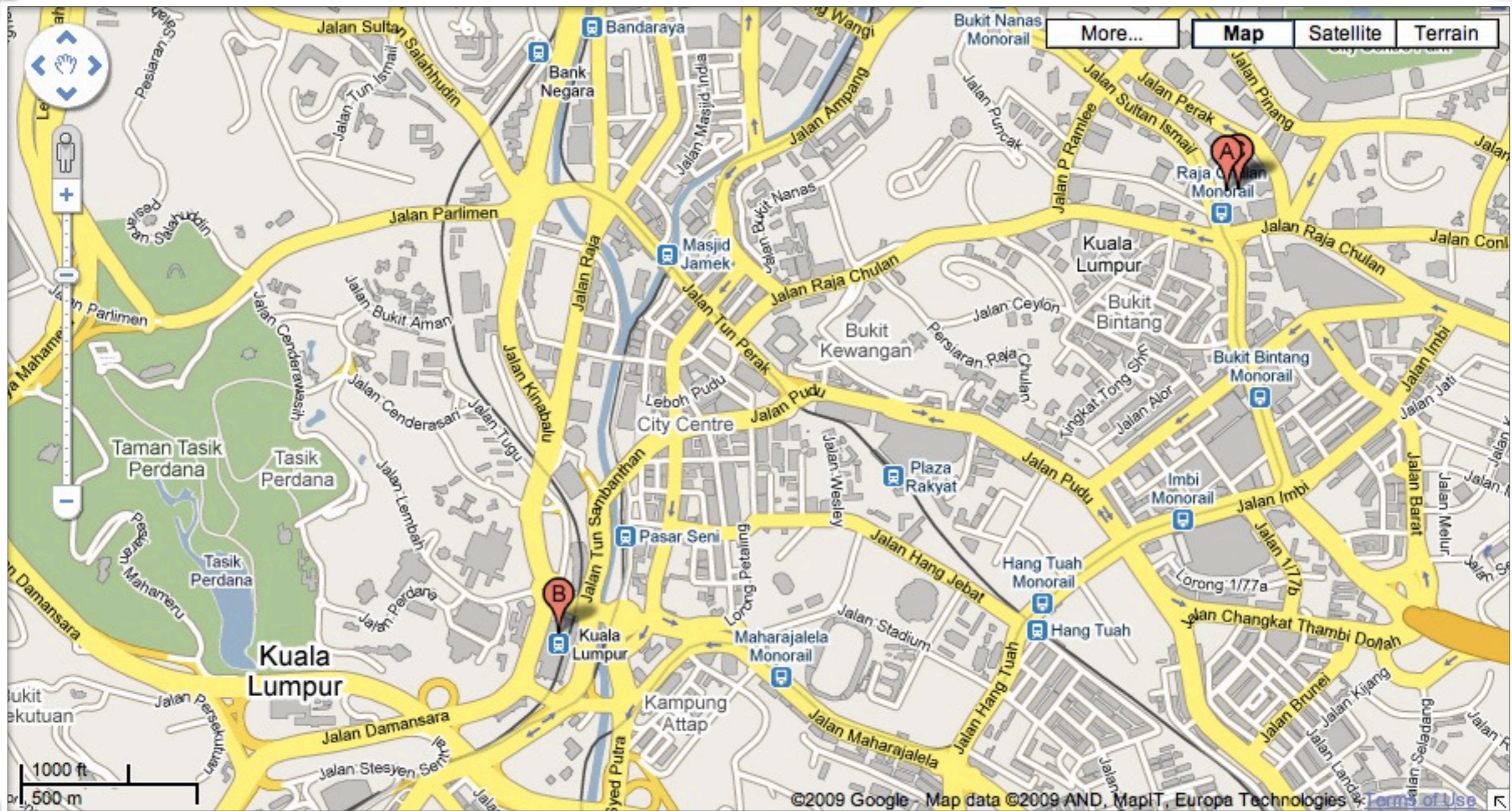
## Location Based Services

Package: **javax.microedition.location**

Class: **Location**

Methods: **getQualifiedCoordinates()**

- Track the location of the victim
- Either time based checking or trigger based



More... Map Satellite Terrain

1000 ft  
500 m

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# BlackJacking

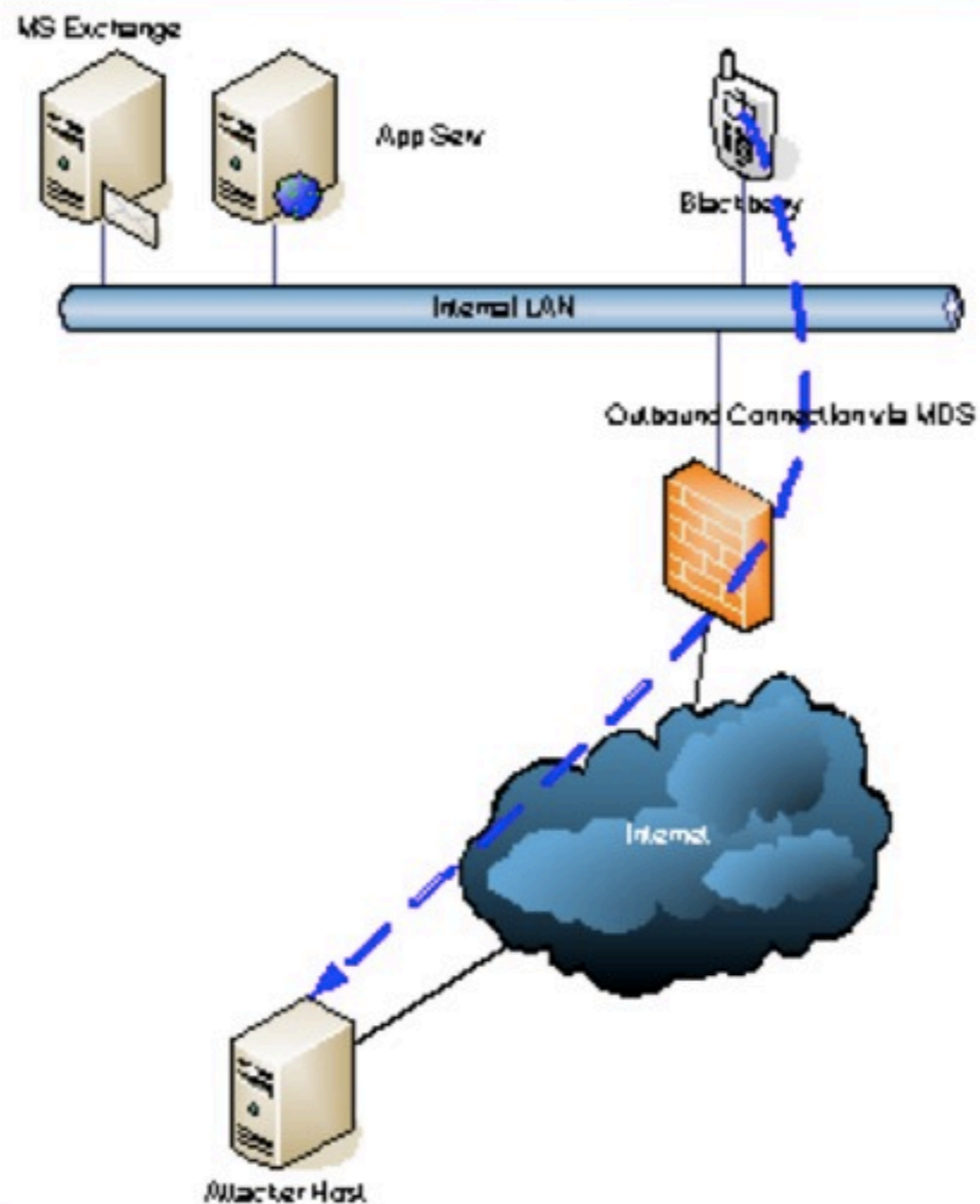
Attack Enterprise networks

Provide direct access to the internal network

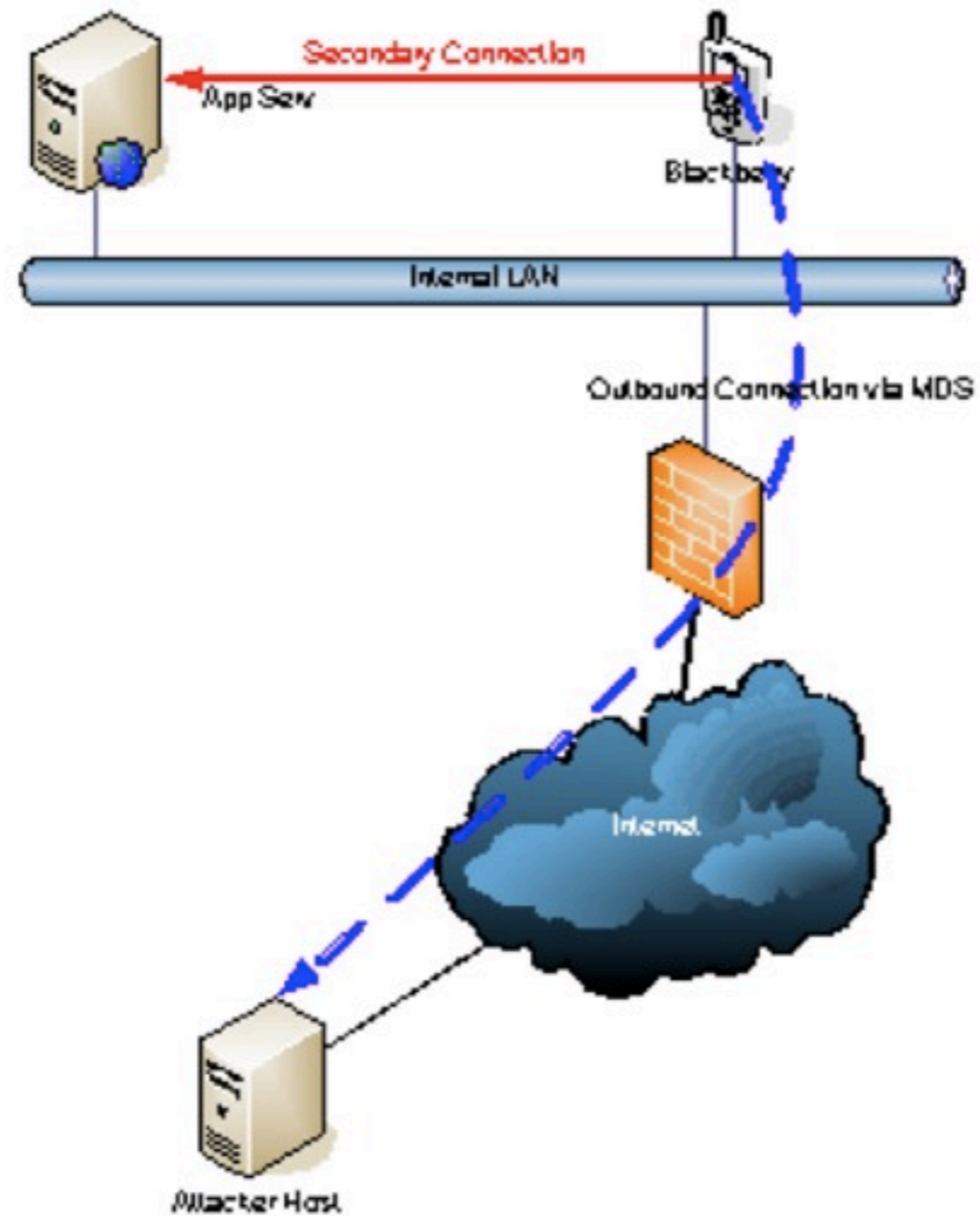
Use a BlackBerry to proxy connections

Tool released called BBProxy

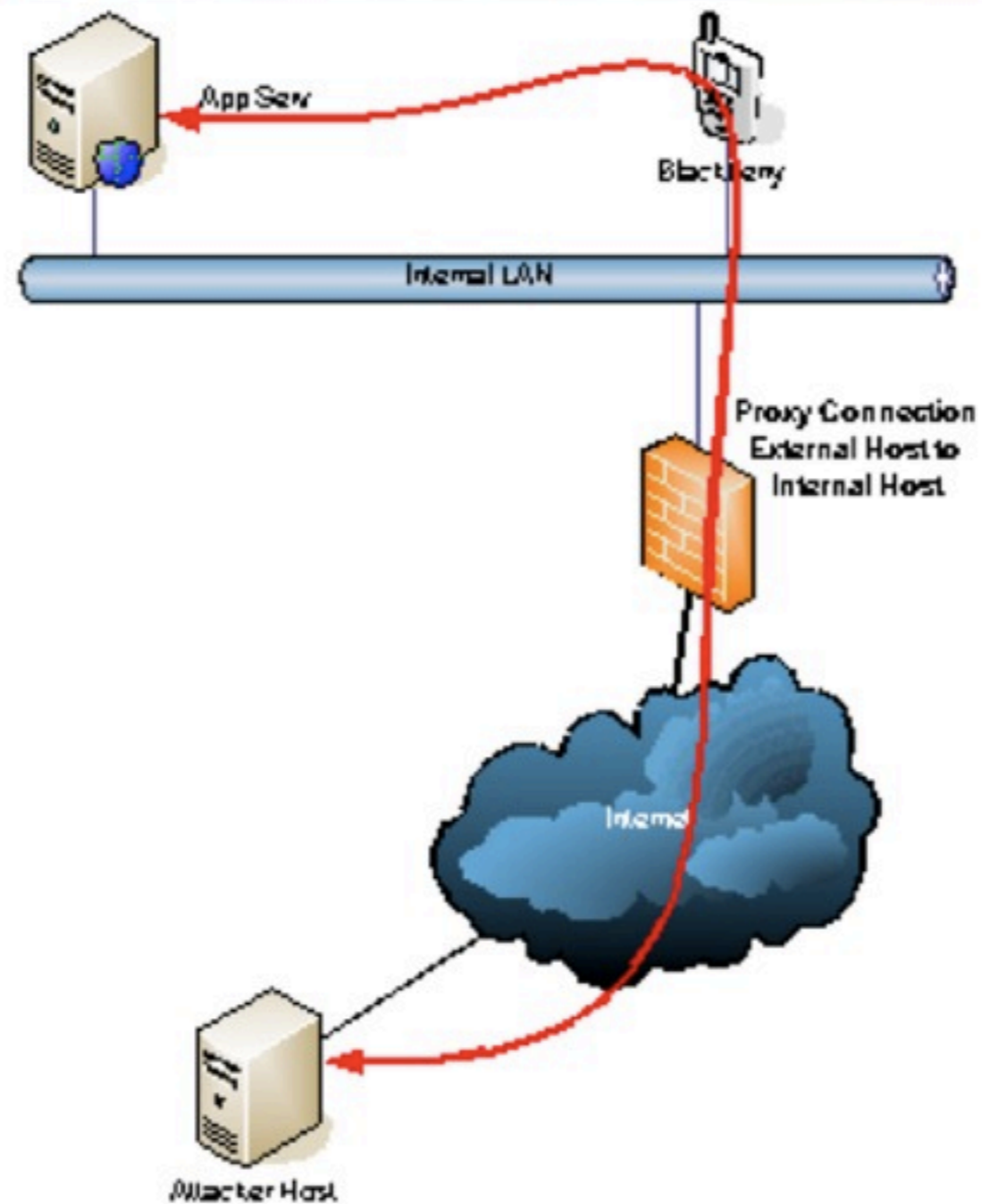
# Step 1 – External Connection



# Step 2 – Secondary Connection



# Step 3 — Proxy connection between external and internal host



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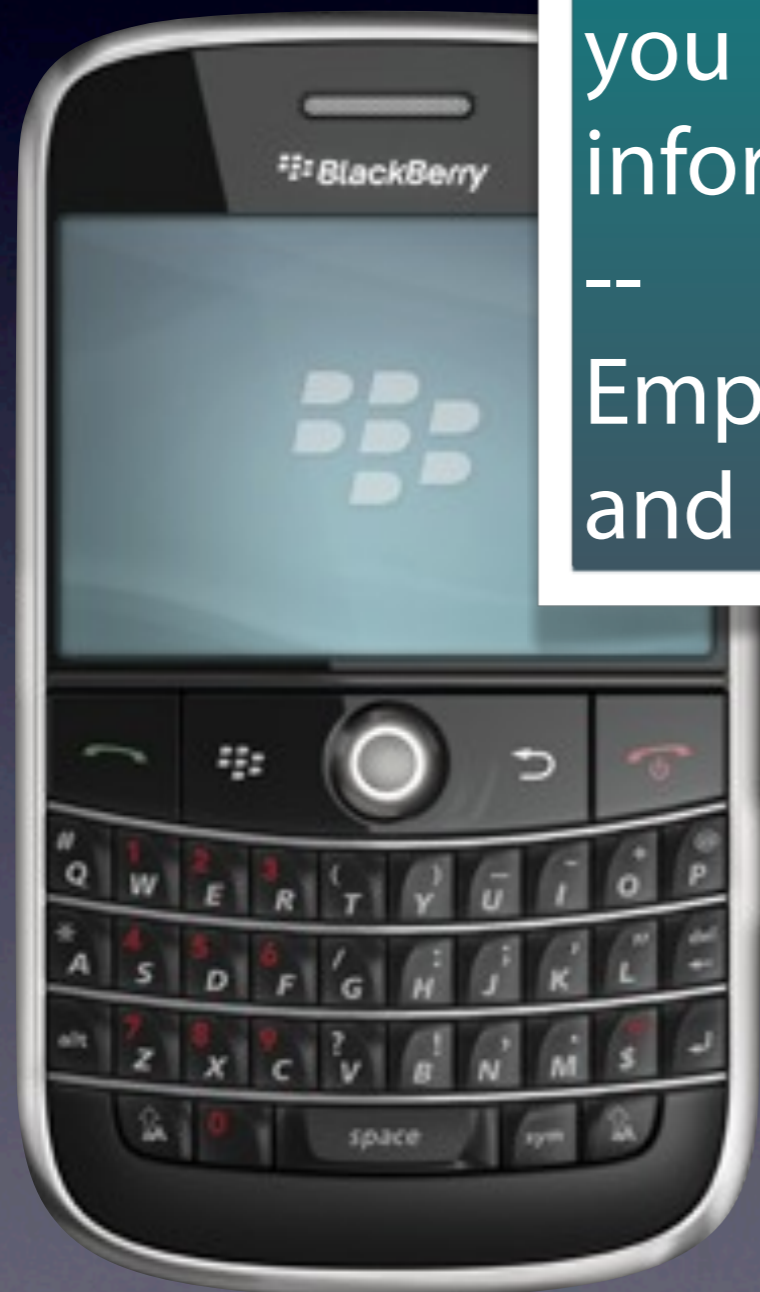
Push a message indicating that the user  
should download an upgrade



Dear Etisalat BlackBerry Customer,  
Etisalat is always keen to provide you with the best BlackBerry service and ultimate experience, for that we will be sending you a performance enhancement patch that you need to install on your device. For more information, please call 101

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Empower your Business with BlackBerry®  
and Mobile Solutions from Etisalat"



# How did it work?

Starts off dormant

Has a command channel

Listens for message sent by "Customer Service"

Will forward all outgoing emails to a server

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Berries slowed down, over heated and drained battery

*Demo*

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Working prototype of voice bug

Tries to be stealthy by hiding from apps.  
(not for this demo)



# Bugs

Forwards all mail to [charlie@zensay.com](mailto:charlie@zensay.com)

Download:

<http://www.zensay.com/Bugs.jad>





Search Mail Search the Web Show search options Create a filter

Mail

Delphi X.509 Certificates - www.eldos.com/SecureBlackbox - Complete X.509 certificate support for your VCL or CLX application

Sponsored

Back to Inbox Archive Report spam Delete Move to Labels More actions

Email from Bugs Inbox X

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Sheran Gunasekera to me show details 6:33 AM (4 hours ago) Reply

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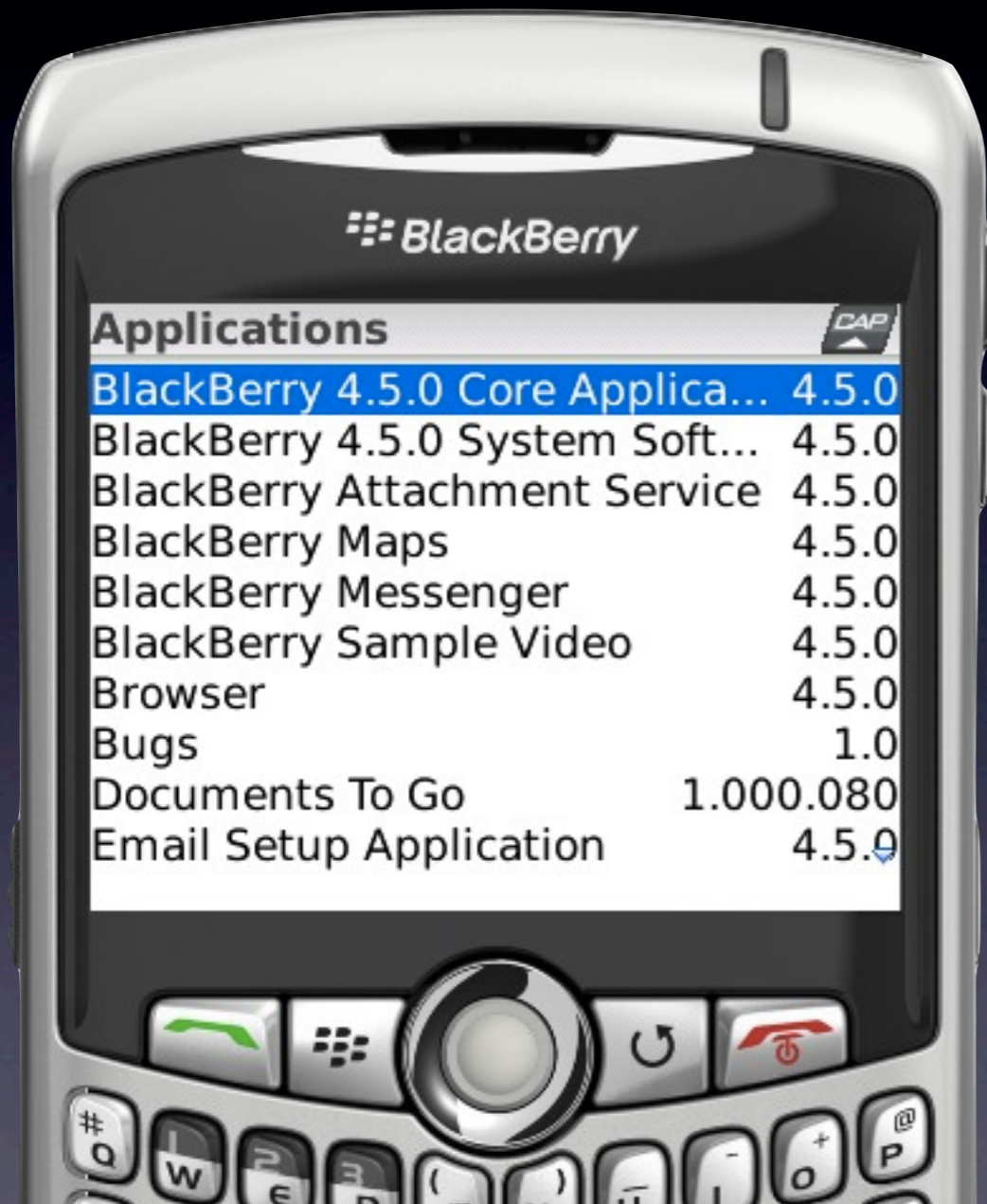


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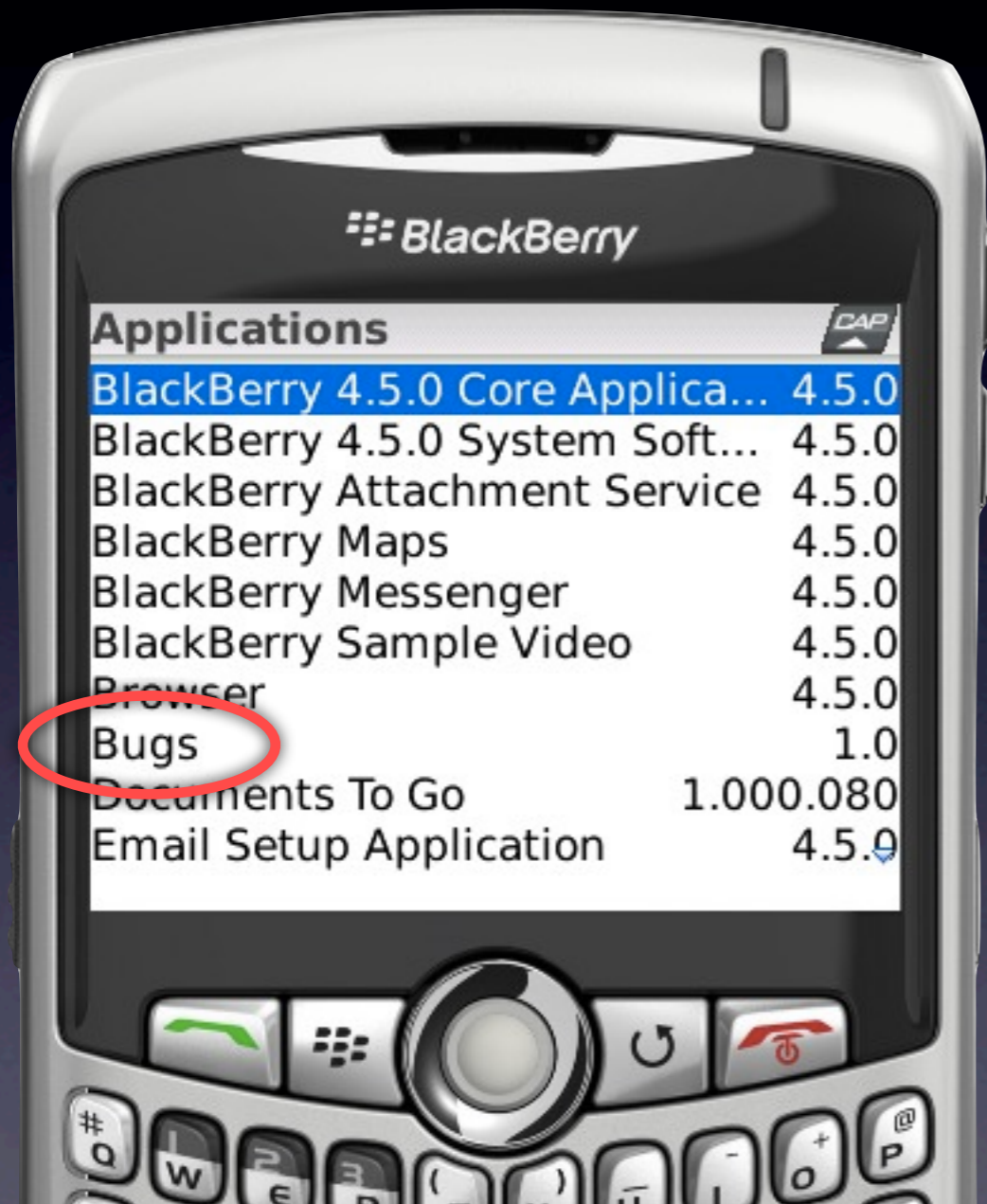
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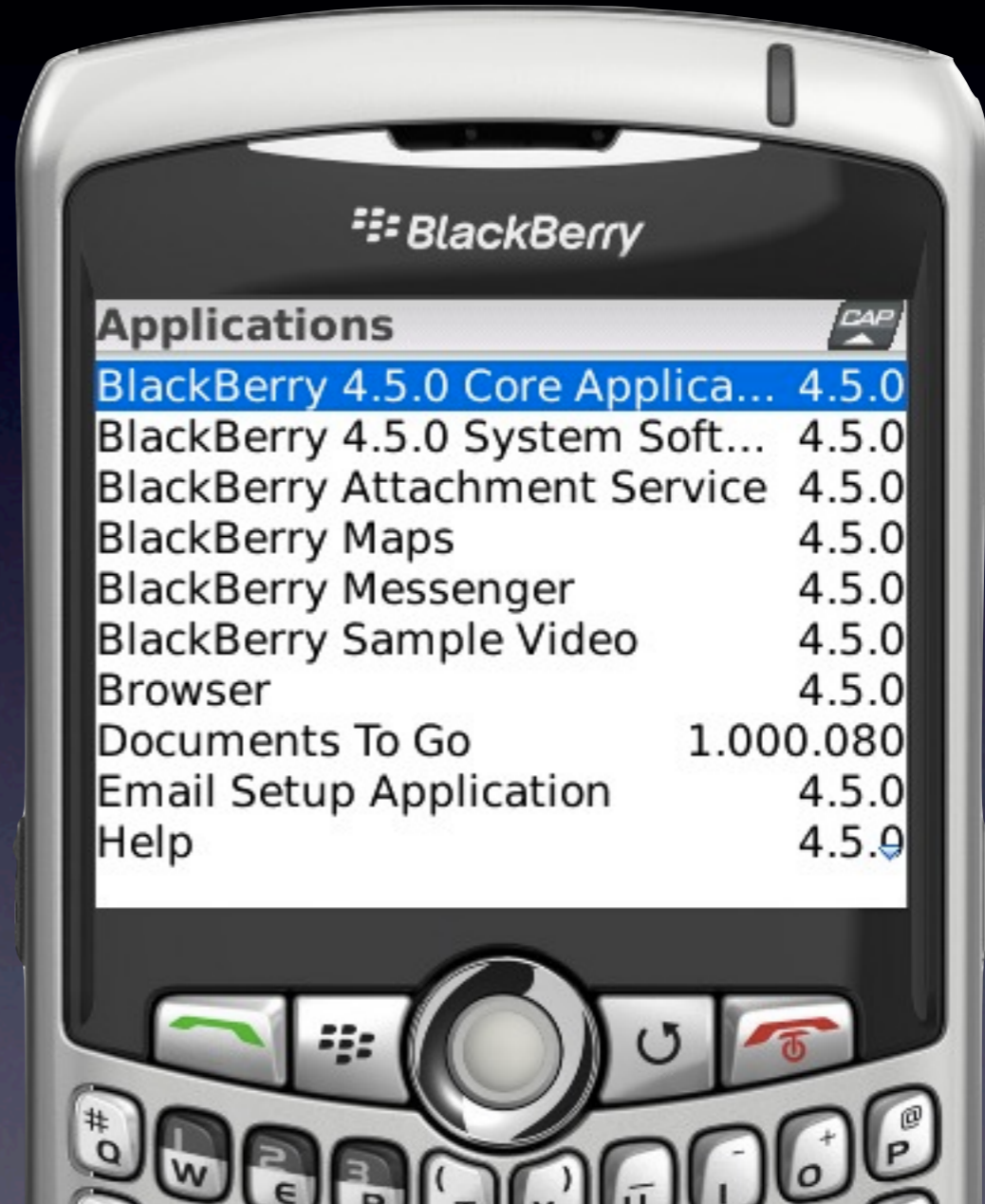
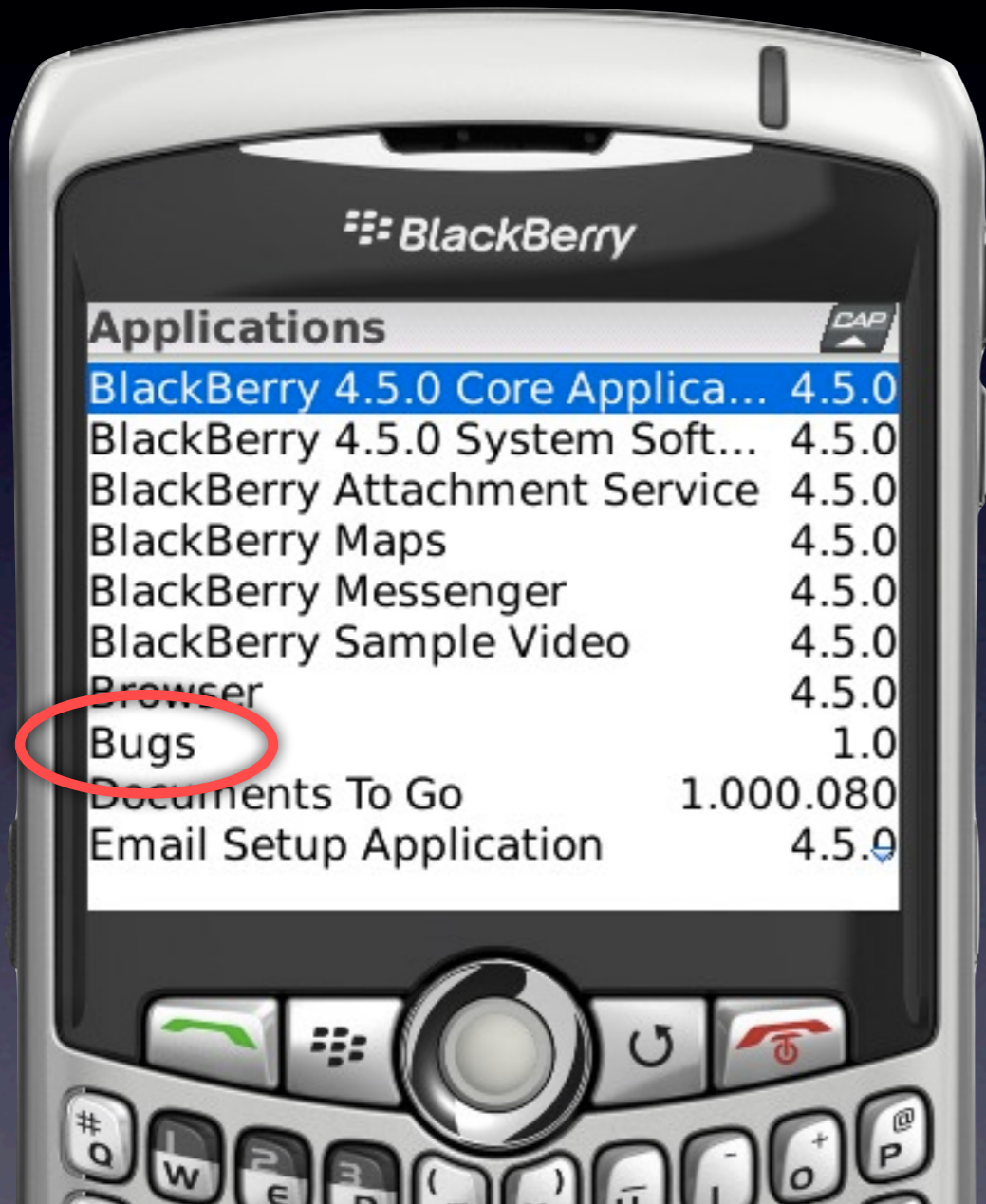
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Finds Bugs & other similar, hidden software

Simplifies the search for hidden apps.

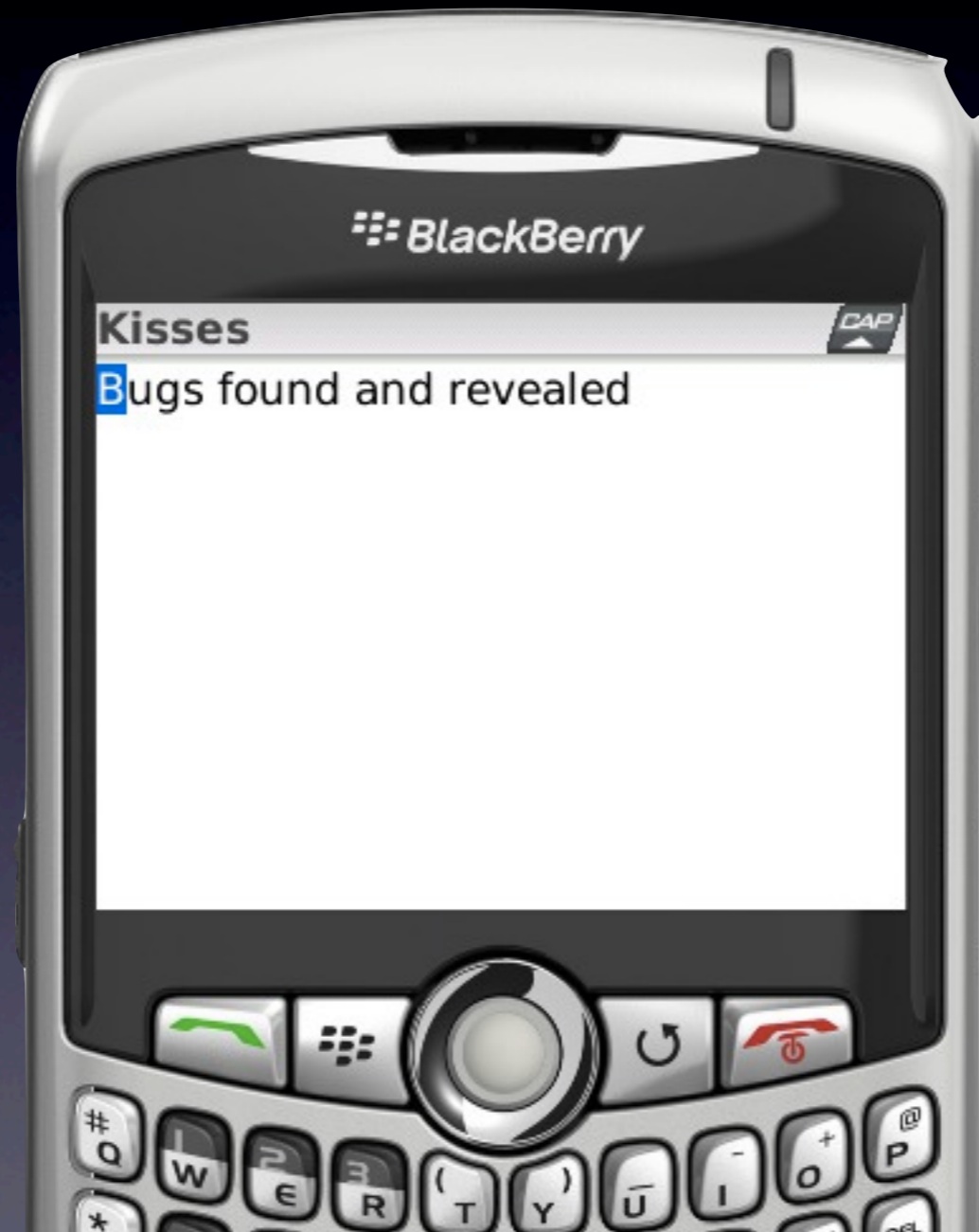
Today: Reveals the presence of Bugs

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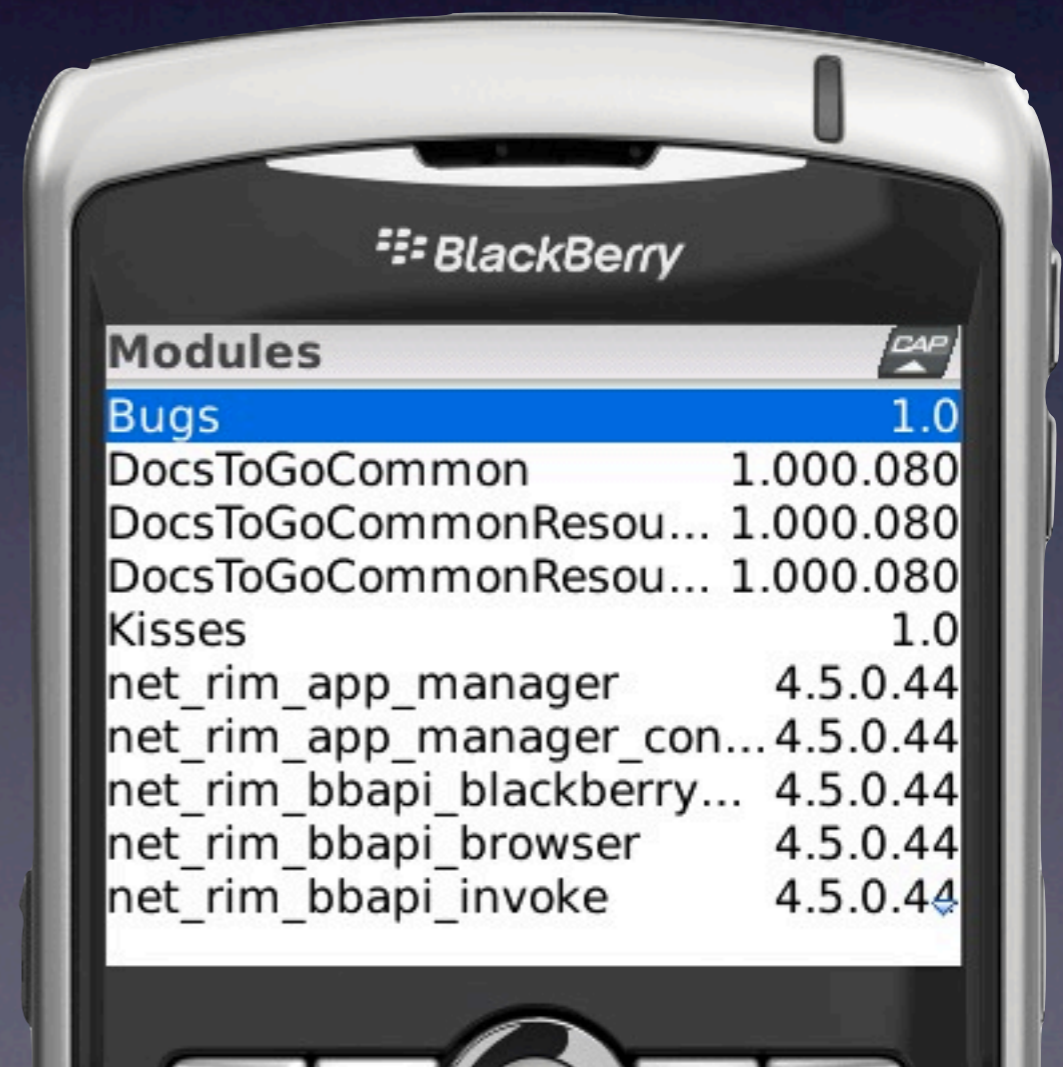
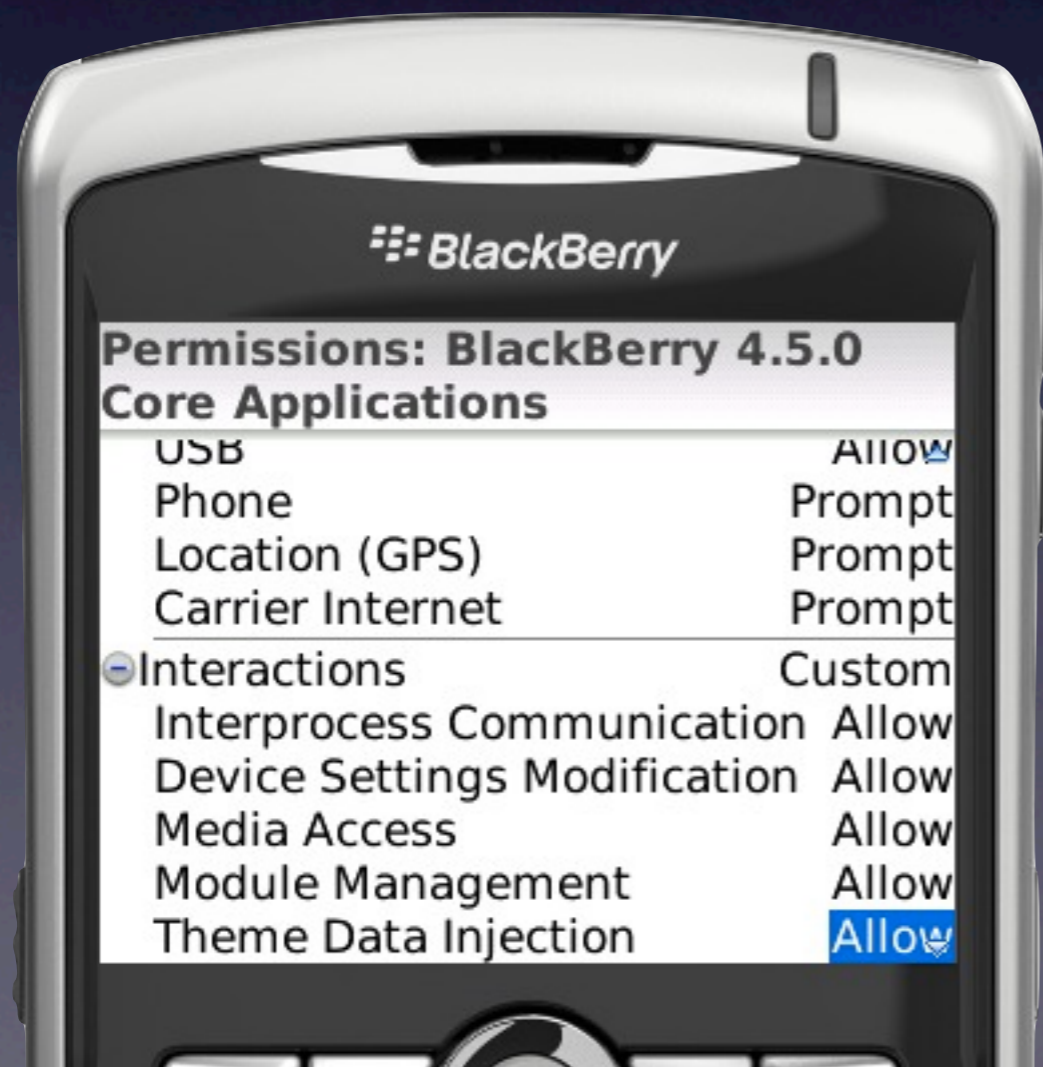
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# Wrapping up

The BlackBerry is very secure

The problem lies in its complexity



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BlackBerry apps are not regulated

Nothing between you & spyware

iPhone AppStore is good

They check each app.



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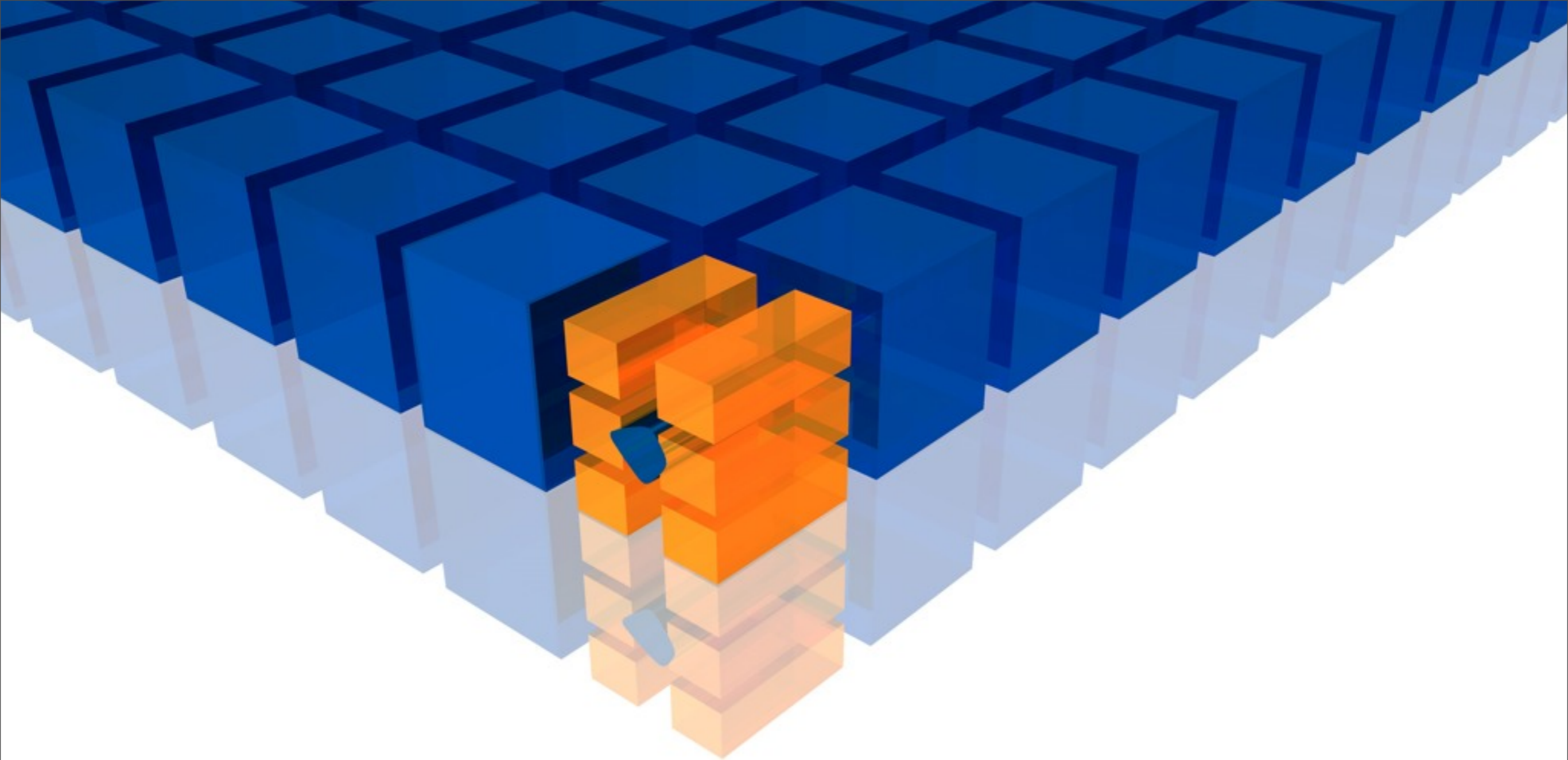
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