

Re: [opensuse] Re: Email Security question: Hijacked email !!! was: Vista

email originator.

2) Configure your email client to use one of the authorized smtp originators for that domain. ie. if for a particular email your from address is gmail.com, then you need to use smtp.gmail.com (or whatever it is) as the smtp server for that specific email.

I don't know if email clients are allowing you to configure an outbound smtp server based on the from fields yet or not. For SPF to be fully useful, you will need that feature.

Greg

I tend to be with Joachim with this one, however I would like add this is IMHO a complex solution to a non-problem. Sending messages as someone else has been around since the first clay tablet was sent (thrown) from A to B, and measures to indicate that A is really A have been around since soon after then. It is called a signature (or seal)... in the case of e-Mail this thing can be digital in nature (and a lot harder to copy than the manual signature or physical seal).

Possibly the simplest and most elegant solution would be for the mail server to validate the signature of the sender if you really needed to filter at the server, rather than adding a dodgy DNS hack, or the more complex DKIM mechanism. Then it becomes a matter of individual rather than collective responsibility.

I suspect that the logic behind this is more about getting to people to use centralised commercial mail services than any real enhancement to peoples email security.

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I have always wished that my computer would be as easy to use as my telephone.

My wish has come true. I no longer know how to use my telephone.

Bjarne Stroustrup

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