

# PC Virus Protection

Anti-Virus Software

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# Collection of Viruses

- ◆ Types of viruses
  - Boot Sector Viruses
    - Michaelangelo or C-brain
  - File Infectors
    - NuKE
    - ◆ Macro Viruses
      - DMVexcel
    - ◆ Stealth Viruses
      - Stealth C
    - ◆ Polymorphic Viruses

# Collection of Viruses

- ◆ Executable
- ◆ Assembly code
- ◆ Hexadecimal code

# Collection of A-V Software

## ◆ Collection of Anti-Virus Software

### – DOS version

- ◆ Dr. Solomons Evaluation FindVirus for DOS
- ◆ Data Fellows F-PROT Free Version for DOS
- ◆ McAfee Version 3.0.0 for DOS
- ◆ CPAV from Central Point Software
- ◆ VSAFE form Microsoft

# Implementation

## ◆ DOS Versions

- Dr. Solomon Eval FindVirus
  - ◆ Finds all file infectors
  - ◆ Does not find inactive boot sector viruses
- Data Fellows F-PROT Free DOS Version
  - ◆ Does not work
- McAfee Version 3.0.0
  - ◆ Finds all viruses including inactive boot sector viruses

# Implementation

- ◆ Versions for DOS continued
  - CPAV by Central Point
    - ◆ Did find “a” virus but did not recognize
  - VSAFE by Microsoft
    - ◆ Did find Darth Vader 2 virus

# Results

- ◆ F-PROT worst
- ◆ VSAFE and CPAV
  - Lack of virus scan
  - Relied on integrity checking
- ◆ Dr. Solomon
  - Excellent on File Infectors and Macros

# Results

## ◆ Second Place

### – McAfee Virus Scan 3.0.0

- ◆ Excellent on File Infectors
- ◆ Excellent on Macros
- ◆ Excellent on Stealths
- ◆ Excellent on Boot Sectors

– Only failed to disable inactive Boot Sectors

# Results

- ◆ The “Best”

- A reliable backup

- ◆ Can't run a virus on

- ◆ Can't erase or format

- ◆ Can't touch

# Regrets

- ◆ Lack of a Windows 95 computer
  - Unable to run 95 anti-virus software
  - Unable to see hueristics

# Sources

- ◆ Cheyenne
  - [www.cai.com/cheyenne/security](http://www.cai.com/cheyenne/security)
- ◆ McAfee
  - [www.mcafee.com](http://www.mcafee.com)
- ◆ Dr. Solomon
  - [www.drsolomon.com/response/pcweek.html](http://www.drsolomon.com/response/pcweek.html)
- ◆ Norton
  - [www.symantec.com](http://www.symantec.com)