Countdown to Zero Day: Stuxnet and the Launch of the World s First Digital Weapon (Hardback)

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Random House USA Inc, United States, 2015. Hardback. Book Condition: New. 239 x 163 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. Top cybersecurity journalist Kim Zetter tells the story behind the virus that sabotaged Iran s nuclear efforts and shows how its existence has ushered in a new age of warfare one in which a digital attack can have the same destructive capability as a megaton bomb. In January 2010, inspectors with the International Atomic Energy Agency noticed that centrifuges at an Iranian uranium enrichment plant were failing at an unprecedented rate. The cause was a complete mystery apparently as much to the technicians replacing the centrifuges as to the inspectors observing them. Then, five months later, a seemingly unrelated event occurred: A computer security firm in Belarus was called in to troubleshoot some computers in Iran that were crashing and rebooting repeatedly. At first, the firm s programmers believed the malicious code on the machines was a simple, routine piece of malware. But as they and other experts around the world investigated, they discovered a mysterious virus of unparalleled complexity. They had, they soon learned, stumbled upon the world s first digital weapon. For Stuxnet, as it came to...

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