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You may be wondering why you stumbled across this PDF. I have replaced all the PDFs on my site with this one, in order to highlight [Adobe's](#) harassment of someone who embarrassed them.

Adobe sells “eBook” software, and one of their primary advertising claims is the ability of authors to limit the fair use rights of people who purchase their works. A number of solutions are sold by various vendors, including one which requires the use of a hardware dongle and costs multiple thousands of dollars.

[ElcomSoft, Ltd.](#) has a product called the [Advanced eBook Processor](#), which shows that these “restrictions” are worse than useless. This embarrassed Adobe, and caused considerable distress from customers who inquired (quite rightly) why they were paying large sums of money for such useless software.

Adobe released a new version which claimed to remove these holes, but it was “a cosmetic upgrade”, and ElcomSoft instantly released a new version of their software.

At DefCon, an annual hacker convention in Las Vegas, Dmitri Sklyarov, a graduate student and ElcomSoft employee, gave a [presentation](#) in which he demonstrated Adobe's fraud, false advertising, and shoddy software. Adobe called the FBI and had him arrested under the [DMCA](#).

As of this writing, Sklyarov has been denied bail and prevented from calling his wife and 2 young children in Russia, who are very worried about him.

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