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A portrait of hacker Adrian Lamo, one of the most controversial figures of our time.

Adrian Lamo was a hacker without peer, a brilliant programmer for whom the parallel world of computer science held no secrets.

But this genius wanted to be free. He traveled the country, refusing to work for others. With a laptop in his backpack and a coffee shop's wifi password, he cracked the networks of the country's greatest companies and put their security systems to the test, becoming famous as "the homeless hacker."

He began to isolate himself. Loneliness and medication gained the upper hand as Adrian Lamo withdrew from life and reality. His parallel life would destroy the lives of many others, such as Bradley Manning, the young soldier who leaked confidential documents to WikiLeaks.