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Network Security



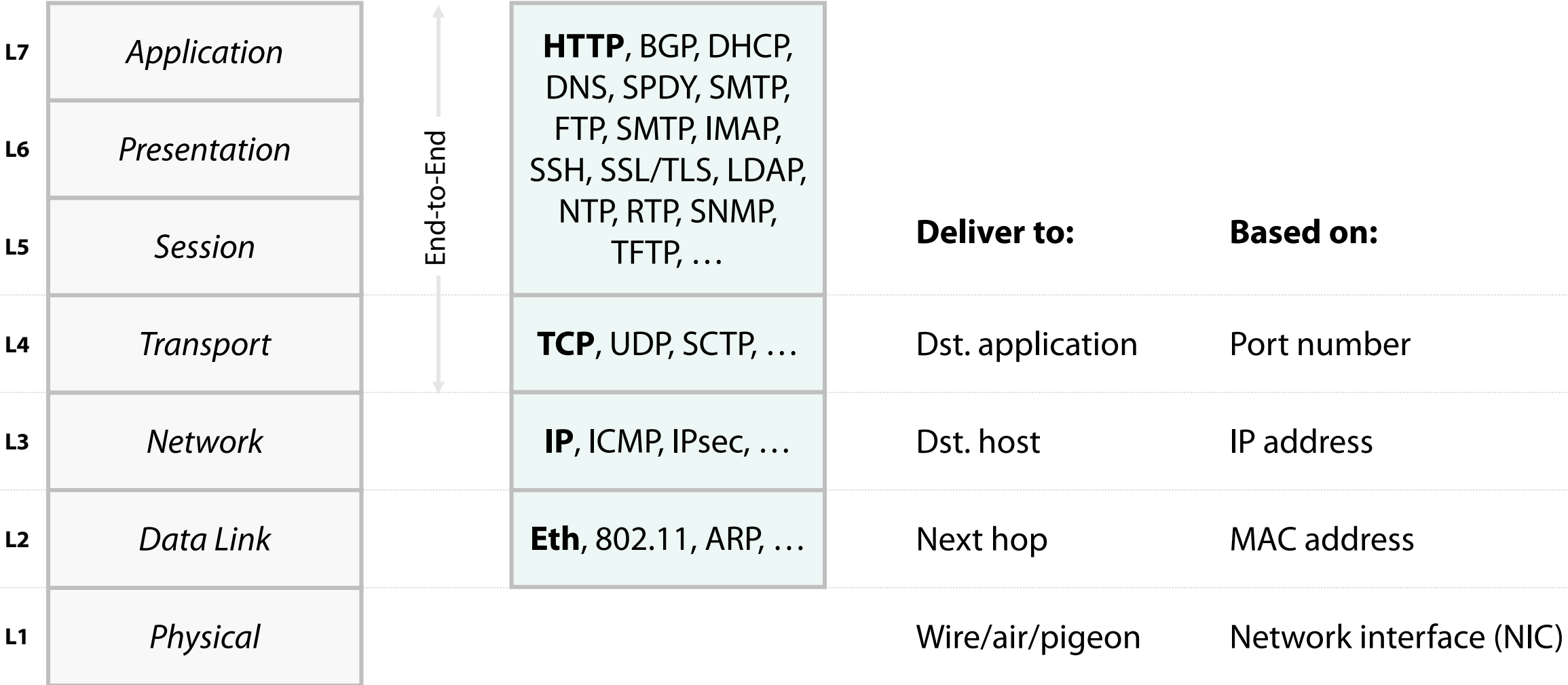
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Lower Layers (Part 1)

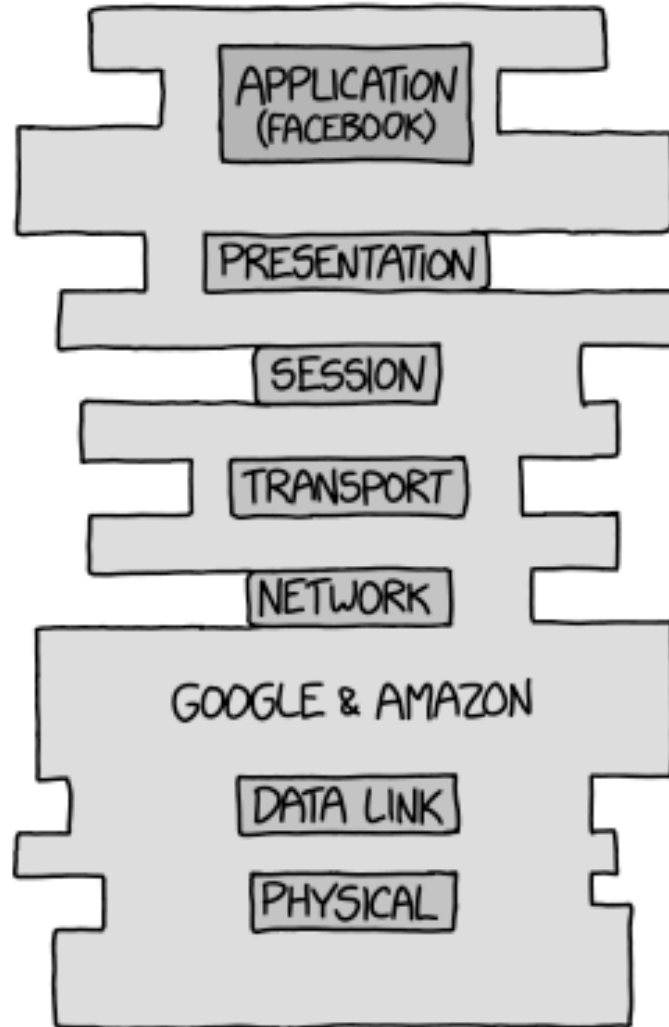
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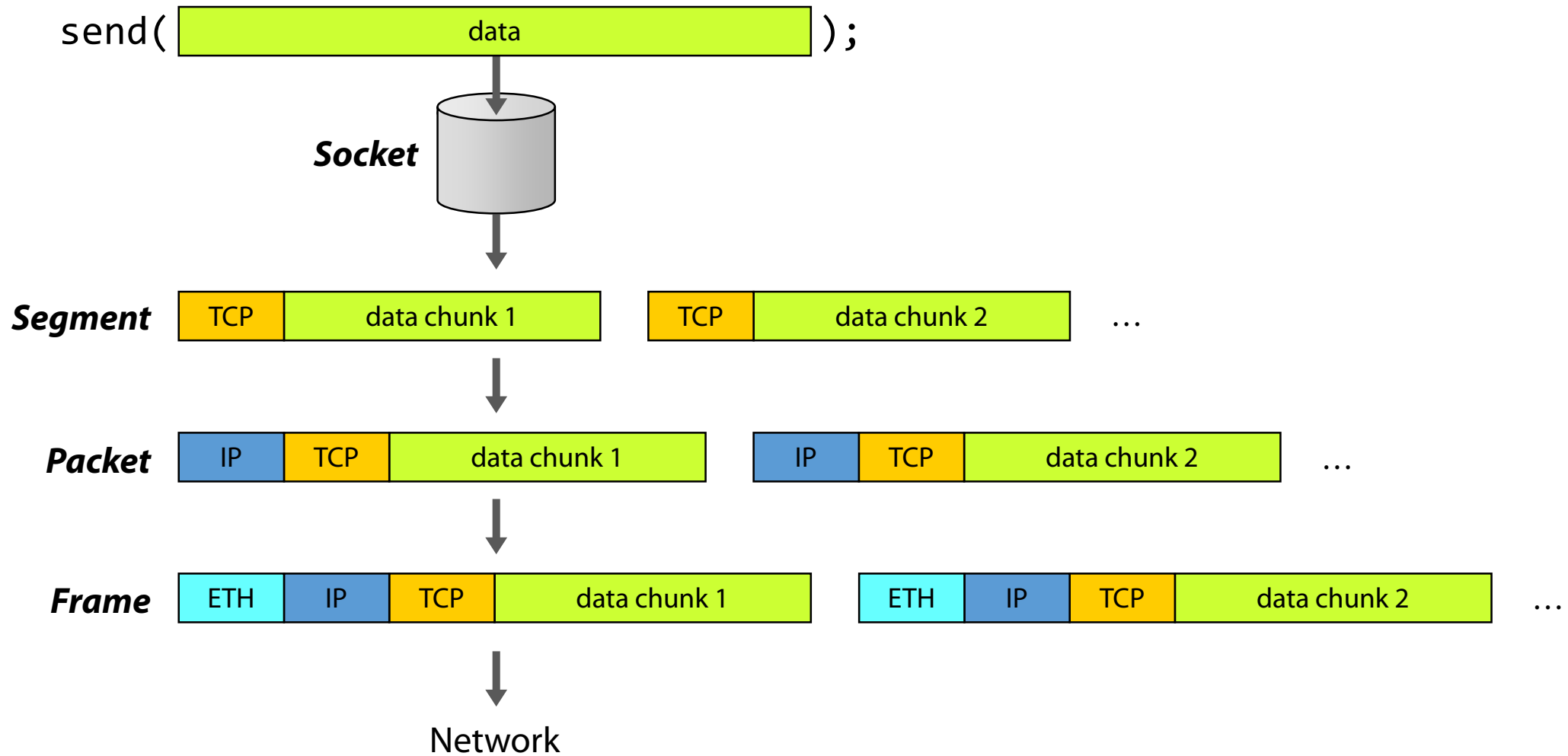
Basic Internet Protocols (OSI Model vs. Reality)



MODERN OSI MODEL



Streams vs. Packets



Active vs. Passive Network Attacks

Passive: the attacker eavesdrops but does not modify the message stream in any way

Traffic snooping, wiretapping, passive reconnaissance, listening for unsolicited/broadcast traffic, traffic analysis, ...

Active: the attacker may transmit new messages, replay old messages, and modify or drop messages in transit

Spoofing, data injection (man-on-the-side), data interception (man-in-the-middle), session replay, DoS, scanning, malicious requests/responses, ...

Physical Layer Attacks

Sniffing

Interception

Wire cutting, jamming, ...

Electronic emanations/side channels

Tracking

- Device fingerprinting

- Location tracking (cellular, WiFi, Bluetooth, ...)

- Many techniques of varying precision:
trilateration/triangulation, nearest sensor,
received signal strength, ...





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The Creepy, Long-Standing Practice of Undersea Cable Tapping

The newest NSA leaks reveal that governments are probing "the Internet's backbone." How does that work?

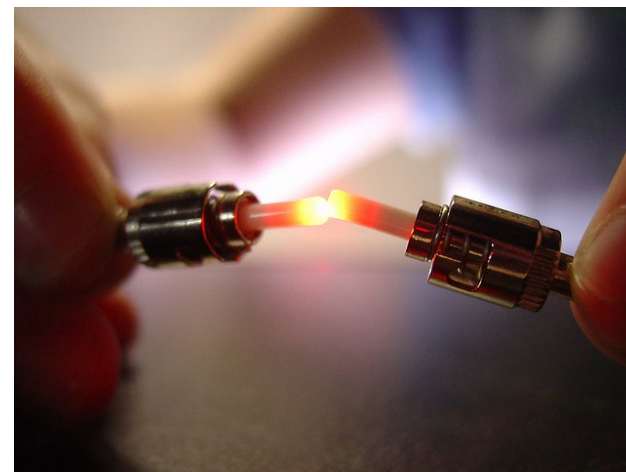
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In the early 1970's, the U.S. government learned that an undersea cable ran parallel to the Kuril Islands off the eastern coast of Russia, providing a vital communications link between two major Soviet naval bases. The problem? The Soviet Navy had completely blocked foreign ships from entering the region.

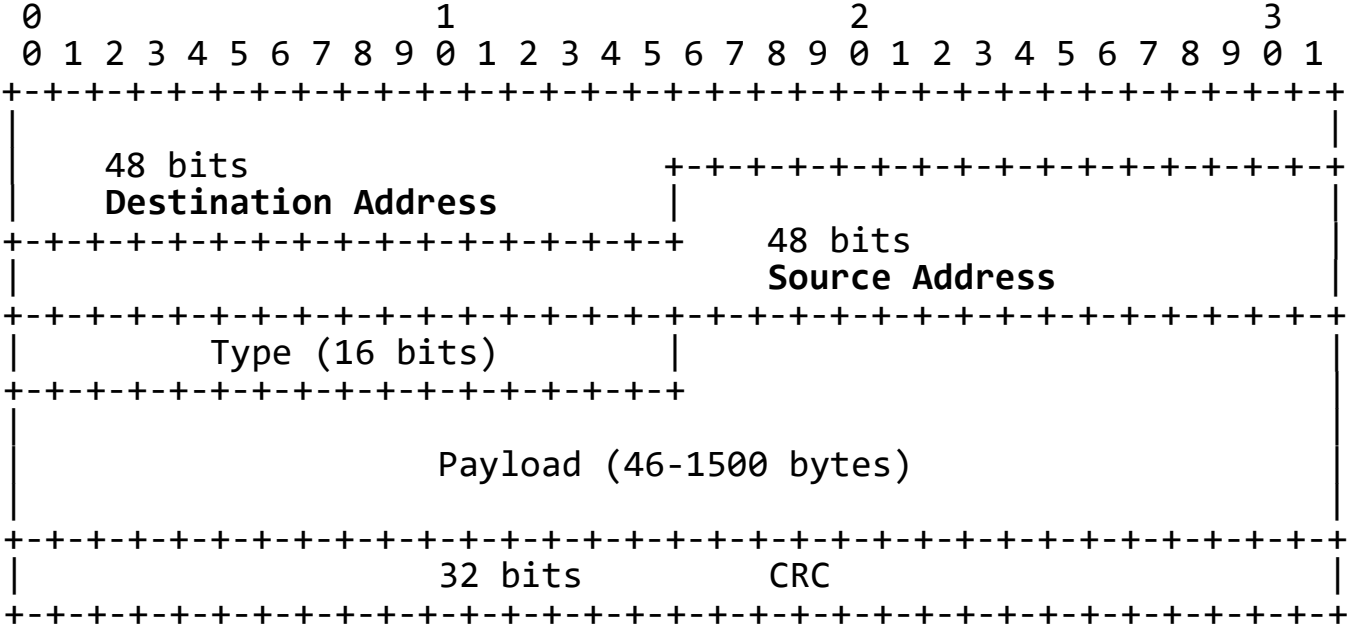
Not to be deterred, the National Security Agency launched Operation Ivy Bells, deploying fast-attack submarines and combat divers to drop waterproof recording pods on the lines. Every few weeks, the divers would return to gather the tapes and deliver them to the NSA, which would then binge-listen to their juicy disclosures.



Ethernet

Most commonly used data link layer protocol for LANs

Communication based on *frames*



Link Layer Attacks

Traffic sniffing (this lecture)

Traffic injection or interception (this and future lectures)

- Man on the Side (MotS)

- Man in the Middle (MitM)

Spoofing

- Impersonate another machine to bypass address-based authentication

- Change MAC address to get 30' more of free WiFi

- Hide the device's vendor (first three bytes of MAC address)

Denial of Service (DoS) (future lecture)

- Flooding, WiFi deauth, ...

Network Sniffing

A network interface in *promiscuous* mode can capture all or subset of the traffic that reaches it

Even if it is not destined for that machine

WiFi: shared medium → *trivial*

Hub: broadcasts packets to all ports → *trivial (but hubs are now rare)*

Switch: learns device-to-port mappings and forwards packets only to the appropriate port → *still possible!*

CAM table exhaustion, ARP cache poisoning

Wiretapping (wire, optical fiber)

Physically “tap” the wire



Network Taps

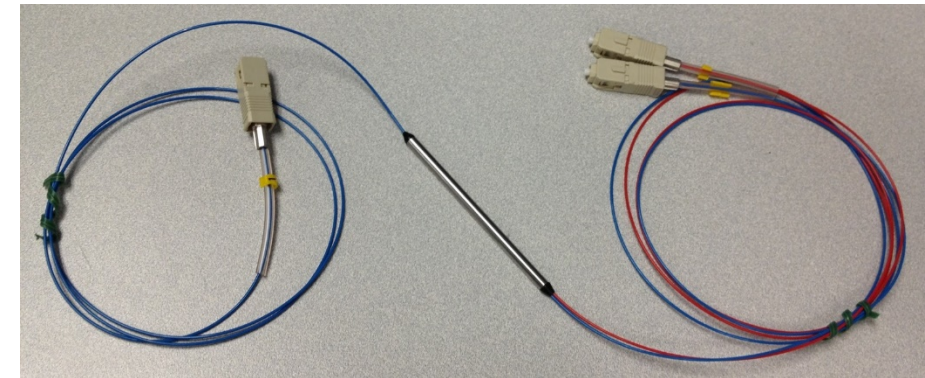
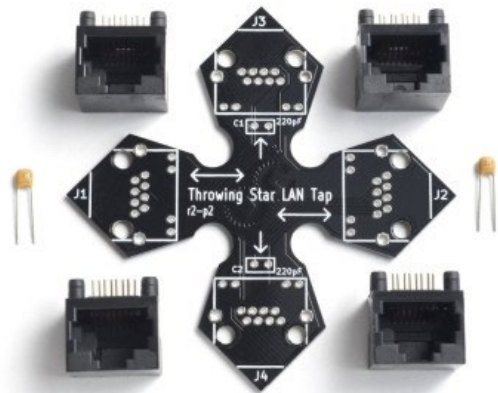
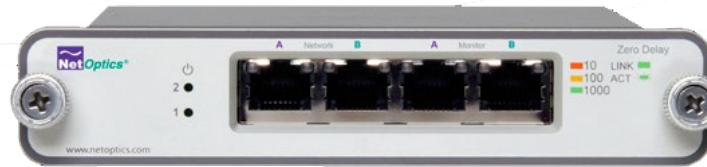
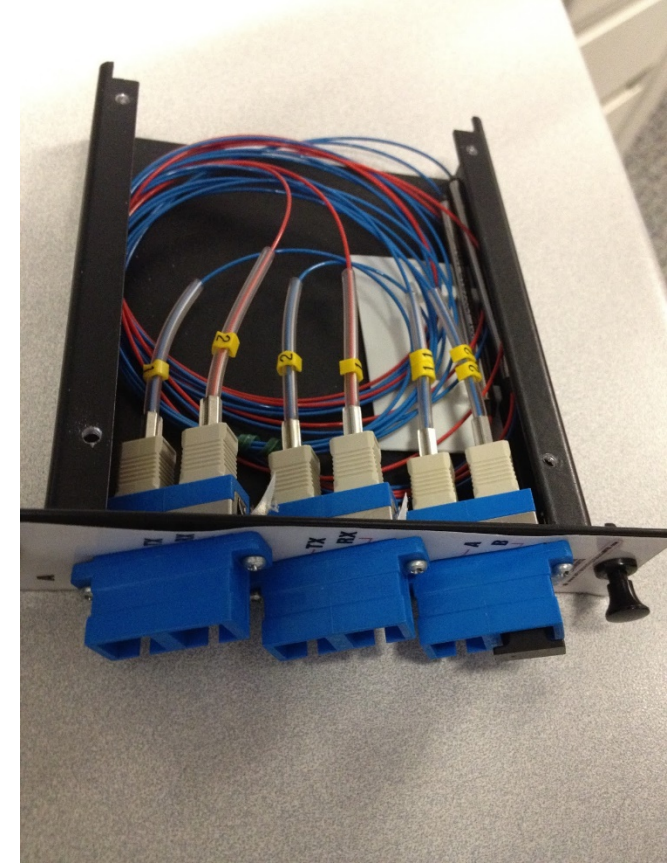
For up to 100Mbit/s can be completely passive

Gigabit and above needs power for demodulating the signal

Fiber optical network taps are also completely passive

Most high-end switches/routers can mirror traffic

Span ports



What about encrypted WiFi?

WEP: same pre-shared RC4 key for all clients

From within: can freely sniff and decrypt all packets using the same key

From outside: broken, can trivially crack the key (even brute force takes a short time)

WPA-PSK: a different “pairwise transient key” derived from the pre-shared key is generated for every client

From within: can sniff and decrypt a client’s packets *if* the association process is witnessed (4-way PSK handshake)

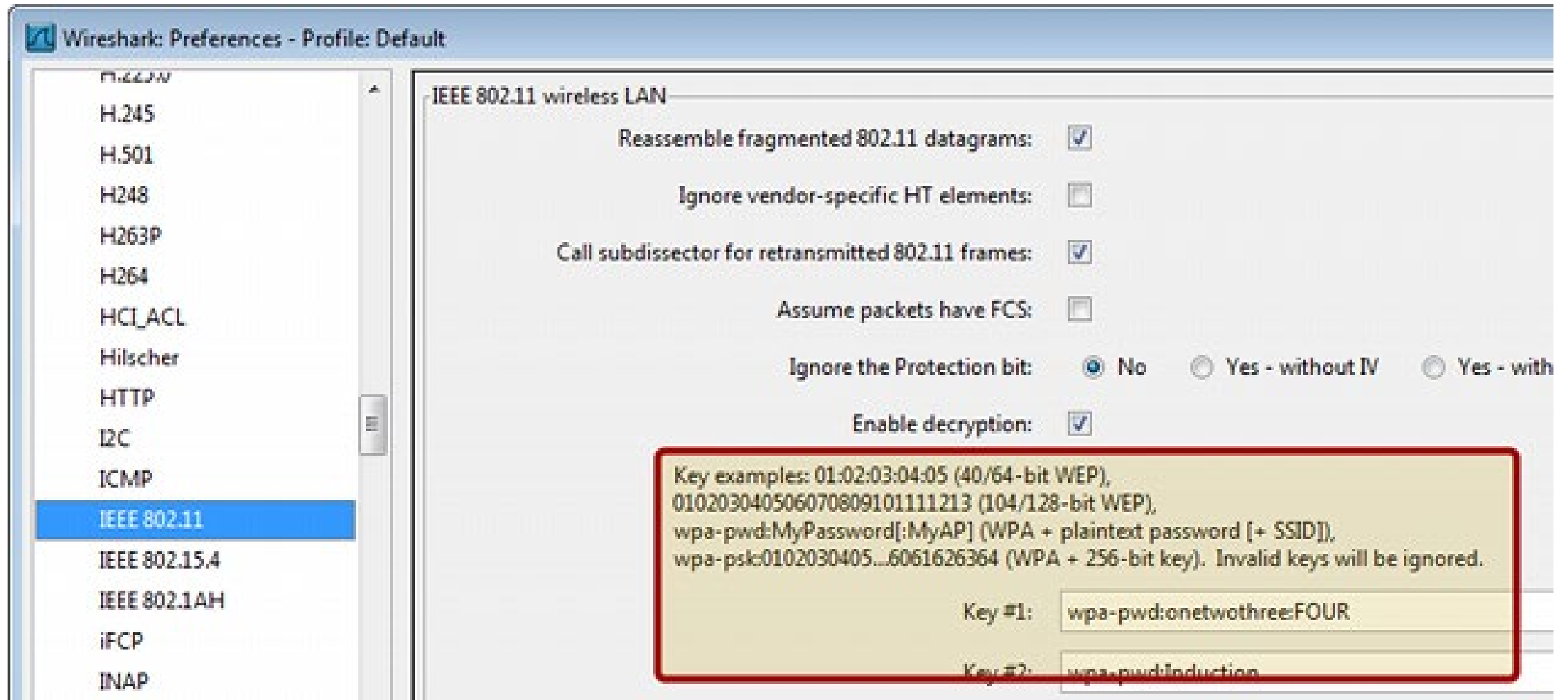
Not a problem! force a re-association by sending a *deauth* packet to the victim

Injection is then trivial through a connected and authenticated client on the AP

WPA-Enterprise (802.1X) doesn’t suffer from this problem (but is less commonly used)

From outside: crack the WiFi password (mainly using wordlists)

Native support in Wireshark



CAM Table Exhaustion

Network switches use Content Addressable Memory (CAM) to keep MAC address to physical switch port mappings

Finite resource!

Flooding a switch with a large number of randomly generated MAC addresses can fill up the CAM table

Failsafe operation: send all packets to all ports

Essentially the switch turns into a hub → eavesdropping!

Noisy attack, can be easily detected

Tool: `macof` (part of `dsniff`)

Address Resolution Protocol (ARP)

Enables the mapping of IP addresses to physical addresses

A new machine joins a LAN: how can it find the MAC addresses of a neighbor machine (with a known IP address)?

ARP request (broadcast): *Who has IP 192.168.0.1?*

ARP reply by 192.168.0.1: *Here I am, this is my MAC address*

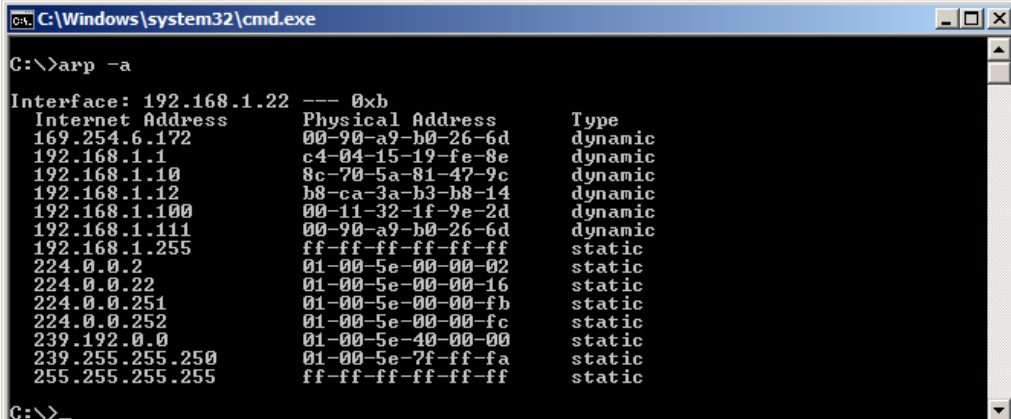
Each host maintains a local ARP cache

Send request only if local table lookup fails

ARP announcements (*gratuitous ARP*)

Voluntarily announce address updates
(NIC change, load balancing/failover, ...)

Can be abused...



```
C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
C:\>arp -a
Interface: 192.168.1.22 --- 0xb
Internet Address      Physical Address      Type
169.254.6.172         00-90-a9-b0-26-6d     dynamic
192.168.1.1           c4-04-15-19-fe-8e     dynamic
192.168.1.10          8c-70-5a-81-47-9c     dynamic
192.168.1.12          b8-ca-3a-b3-b8-14     dynamic
192.168.1.100         00-11-32-1f-9e-2d     dynamic
192.168.1.111         00-90-a9-b0-26-6d     dynamic
192.168.1.255         ff-ff-ff-ff-ff-ff     static
224.0.0.2             01-00-5e-00-00-02     static
224.0.0.22           01-00-5e-00-00-16     static
224.0.0.251          01-00-5e-00-00-fb     static
224.0.0.252          01-00-5e-00-00-fc     static
239.192.0.0           01-00-5e-40-00-00     static
239.255.255.250      01-00-5e-7f-ff-fa     static
255.255.255.255      ff-ff-ff-ff-ff-ff     static
C:\>
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ARP Cache Poisoning

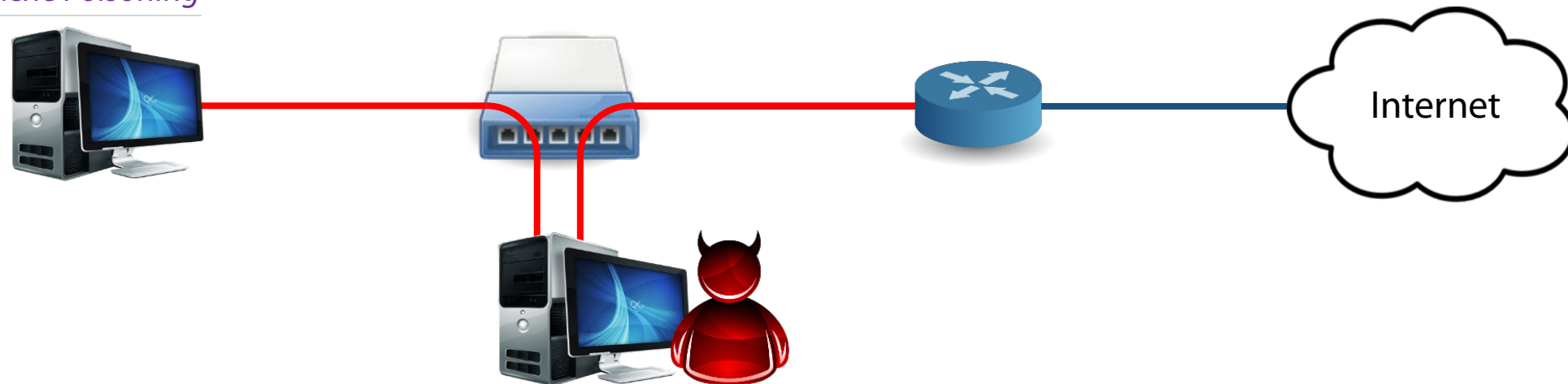
ARP replies can be **spoofed**: IP to MAC mapping is not authenticated!

Enables traffic interception and manipulation (**man-in-the-middle attack**)

Normal Operation



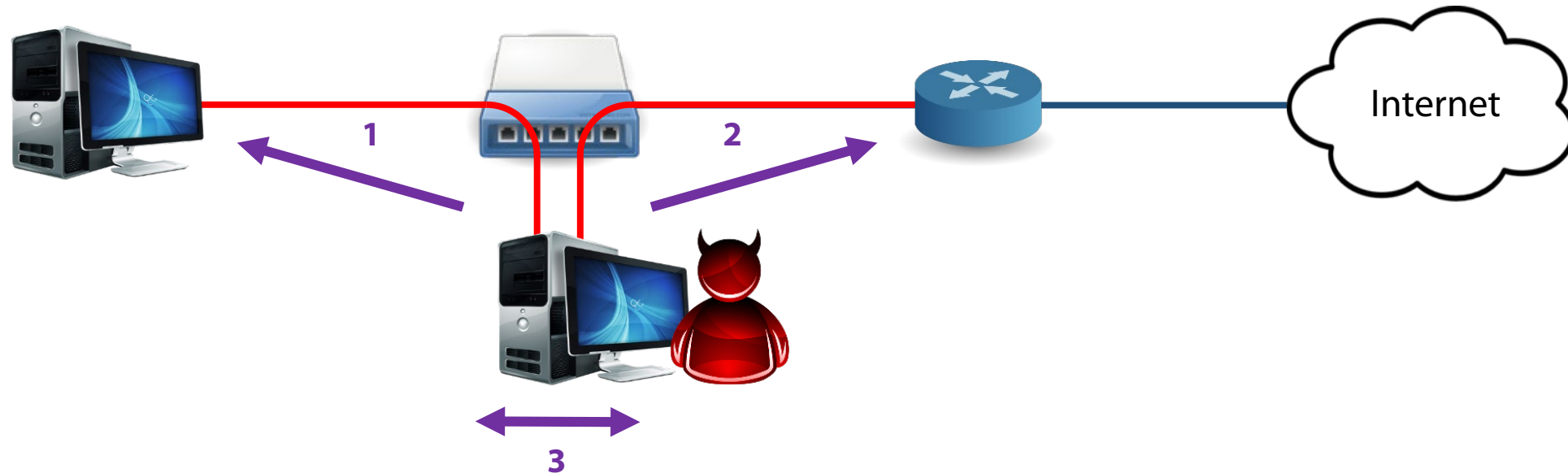
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Attack steps

1. ARP reply to victim, mapping gateway's IP to attacker's MAC
2. ARP reply to gateway, mapping victim's IP to attacker's MAC
3. Just forward packets back and forth



ARP Cache Poisoning

Tools

arpspoof (dsniff)

Ettercap -> Bettercap

nemesis

...

Various Defenses

Static ARP entries: ignore ARP reply packets

OS configuration: ignore unsolicited replies, ...

ARPwatch and other detection tools

Managed switches

Rogue Access Points

No authentication of the AP to the client

Set up fake AP with an existing SSID or an enticing name (e.g., Starbucks-FREE-WiFi)

“Auto-connect”/“Ask to join network” mobile phone features greatly facilitate this kind of attacks

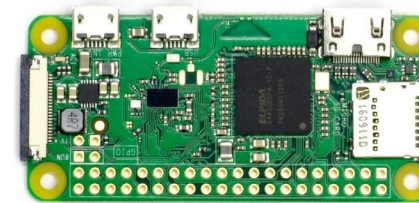
Wireless backdoor

Ship a phone or special purpose device to the target and use its cellular connection for C&C

Hide a tiny AP in a wall plug, keyboard, ...

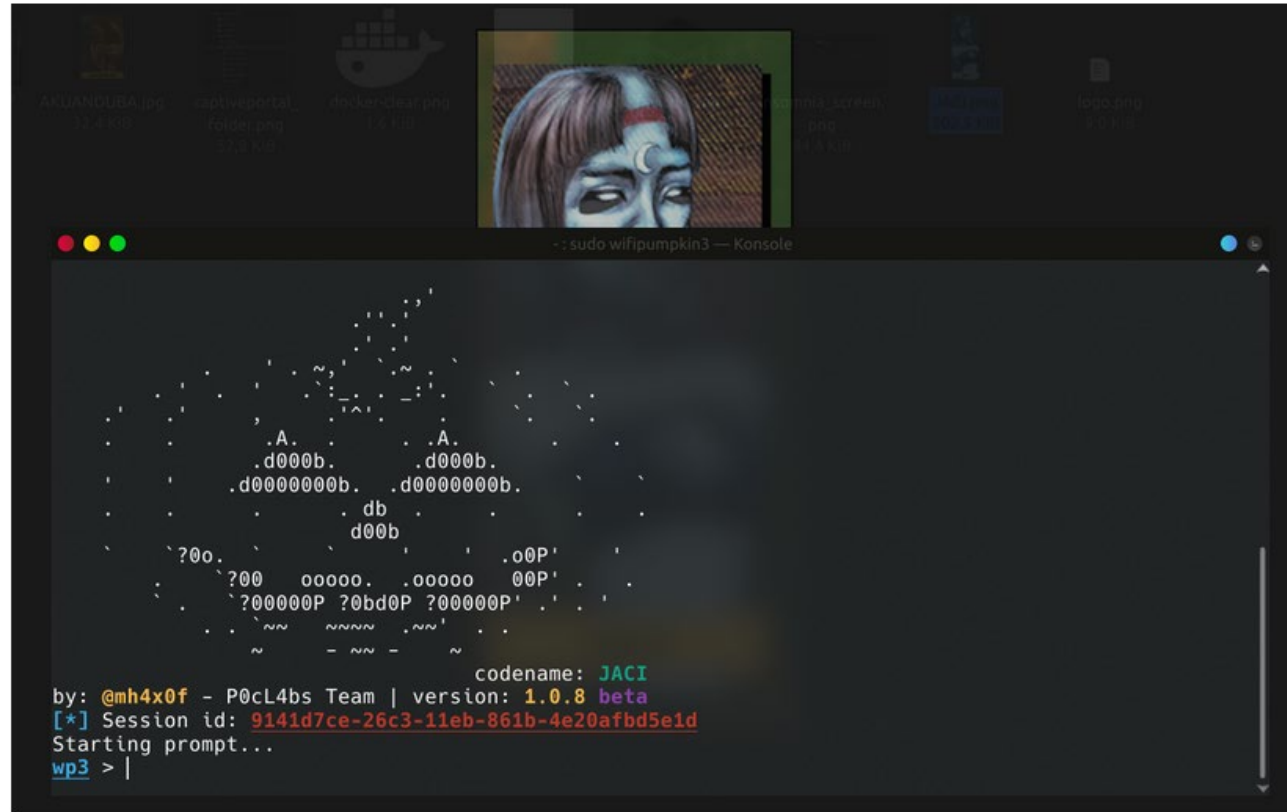
Detection

NetStumbler (shows all WiFi networks),
RF monitoring systems, Wireless IDS/IPS



WiFi-Pumpkin

<https://github.com/P0cL4bs/wifipumpkin3>



Overview

wifipumpkin3 is powerful framework for rogue access point attack, written in Python, that allow and offer to security researchers, red teamers and reverse engineers to mount a wireless network to conduct a man-in-the-middle attack.

Main Features

- Rogue access point attack
- Man-in-the-middle attack
- Module for deauthentication attack
- Module for extra-captiveflask templates
- Rogue Dns Server
- Captive portal attack (captiveflask)
- Intercept, inspect, modify and replay web traffic
- WiFi networks scanning
- DNS monitoring service
- Credentials harvesting
- Transparent Proxies
- LLMNR, NBT-NS and MDNS poisoner ([Responder3](#))
- RestFulAPI
- and more!

CoffeeMiner

<https://github.com/arnaucube/coffeeMiner>

Collaborative (mitm) cryptocurrency mining pool in wifi networks

Warning: this project is for academic/research purposes only.

A blog post about this project can be read here: <http://arnaucode.com/blog/coffeeminer-hacking-wifi-cryptocurrency-miner.html>



Concept

- Performs a MITM attack to all selected victims
- Injects a js script in all the HTML pages requested by the victims
- The js script injected contains a cryptocurrency miner
- All the devices victims connected to the Lan network, will be mining for the CoffeeMiner

Passive Network Monitoring

Main benefit: *non-intrusive (invisible on the network)*

Basis for a multitude of defenses

IDS/IPS, network visibility, network forensics

Sophisticated attackers may erase all evidence on infected hosts
network-level data may be all that is left

Packet capture

What: packet headers or full packet payloads

How: network taps, router/switch span/mirror ports

Netflow export

What: connection-level traffic summaries

How: built-in capability in routers, passive collectors

```
15:07:16.609603 IP 139.91.70.46.631 > 139.91.70.255.631: UDP, length 122
15:07:16.821924 IP 139.91.171.116.1049 > 239.255.255.250.1900: UDP, length 325
15:07:16.821980 IP 139.91.171.116.1049 > 239.255.255.250.1900: UDP, length 325
15:07:16.822297 IP 139.91.70.148.8008 > 239.255.255.250.1900: UDP, length 101
15:07:16.822370 IP 139.91.70.26.8008 > 239.255.255.250.1900: UDP, length 101
15:07:16.825070 IP 139.91.70.254 > 224.0.0.13: PIMv2, Assert, length: 28
15:07:16.826708 IP 139.91.70.253 > 224.0.0.13: PIMv2, Assert, length: 28
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15:07:17.119970 IP 139.91.70.254.1985 > 224.0.0.2.1985: HSRPv0-hello 20: state:
tandby group=70 addr=139.91.70.80
15:07:17.149897 IP 139.91.171.116.1049 > 239.255.255.250.1900: UDP, length 361
15:07:17.259974 IP 139.91.171.116.1049 > 239.255.255.250.1900: UDP, length 429
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50:45 pathcost 0 age 0 max 20 hello 2 fdelay 15
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Packet Capture Tools

Libpcap/Winpcap: user-level packet capture

Standard interface used by most passive monitoring applications

PF_RING: High-speed packet capture

Zero-copy, multicore-aware

tcpdump: just indispensable

Wireshark: tcpdump on steroids, with powerful GUI

dsniff: password sniffing and traffic analysis

ngrep: name says it all

Kismet: 802.11 sniffer

many more...

Packet Parsing/Manipulation/Generation

Decode captured packets (L2 – L7)

Generate and inject new packets

Tools

Libnet: one of the oldest

Scapy: powerful python-based framework

Nemesis: packet crafting and injection utility

Libdnet: low-level networking routines

dpkt: packet creation/parsing for the basic TCP/IP protocols

many more...

Hands-on Session