Wireless Security

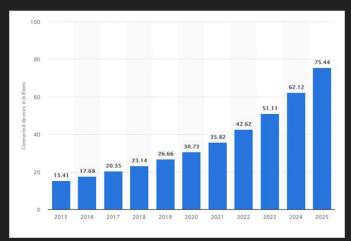
Vulnerabilities and Countermeasures

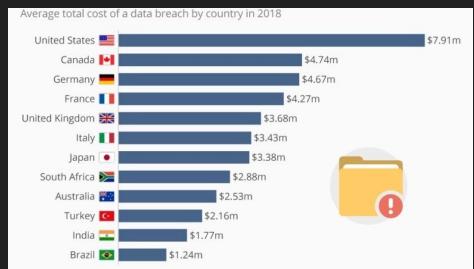
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Overview

Wireless network security is critically important.

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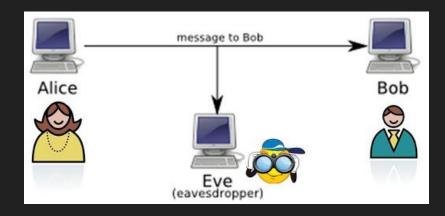




A story of Alice and Bob

- Alice and Bob want to send each other some secret gossip
 - Eve wants to know the gossip
- What can eve do?
 - Eavesdrop
 - Send messages to Bob / Alice
 - Place themselves in between Alice & Bob
- Ultimate Goal
 - o Man-In-The-Middle
 - Takeover





The CIA(A) Security Model



Confidentiality

- Sniffing
- Implications
 - o Data
 - Secrets
 - Material for other attacks



Integrity

Data transmitted is correct, and has not been modified intentionally or unintentionally.

- Unintentional Modification
 - Bitflips
 - Error Bytestreams
- Intentional Modification
 - Off path attacker
 - MITM attack



Availability

Are my services available, can my data actually be transmitted.

- Hard to stop
 - Very difficult to prevent this
- Law yet to catch up
 - I am not a Lawyer



Authenticity

Is the data being transmitted genuine, are both parties who they claim to be.

- Extension of integrity
 - Will be lumped in with integrity.
- Examples
 - Passwords
 - 2 Factor Authentication
 - PIKs
 - Zero Knowledge Proofs

What can go wrong

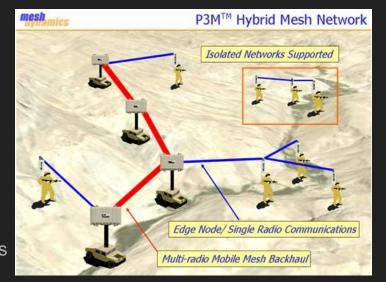
- Node integrity
 - Subvert one node → access to entire network
 - Smart Soda Machine... total network compromise
- Human Error
 - Mike will always click on free cruise tickets on a Sunda night on his work laptop, then bring it into the network the next day.
- System misconfiguration
 - IOT device takeover → network access → network takeover
- Impact
 - 14 Million Dollars
 - Cost of recent wireless based breaches





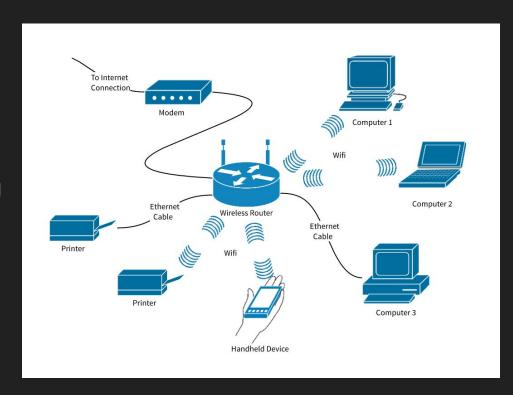
Two Security Contexts

- Military and Non-Military
 - Wildly different threat models
 - Wildly different implementations
- Military Wireless Networking
 - Able to operate under physically strenuous conditions
 - E2E encryption, jamming resilience, etc.
 - Adheres to a detailed security standard
 - Approved Networking Products List For US Military
 - Army Wireless Security Standard
 - Highly secured, but out of date
 - Not perfect
 - Wearable Fitness Devices
- Non-Military Wireless Networking



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- Military Wireless Networking
- Non-Military Wireless Networking
 - Does not legally have to adhere to any security standards
 - Large variety of vulnerabilities
 - Types of wireless networking
 - Star topology
 - P2P (ad-hoc)



Confidentiality Attacks

Wireless Confidentiality

Your messages are *** **** **** ***** *****, and only the intended recipient can read them.

In all networks, sniffing affects confidentiality.

Wireless communication travels through open space, which means several things.

- No authentication
- No network connectivity
- 3. No physical access $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$





Exposure

- Range and decipherability depend solely on network configuration and location.
 - Thus, effectiveness varies wildly over a wireless network.
- Works on BLE, Thermal, VLC, almost all forms of communication.
- Monitor Mode, compatible with many NIC's
- Tools Used
 - o tcpdump, wireshark



Wardriving: sniffing to the extreme

- Car full of WiFi antennas, laptops, and various sensors.
- Drive around picking up signals
- Create datasets of wifi strength and configuration.
 - Not necessarily hostile

- Malicious wardriving
 - Find weakest access point
 - Google Wardriving Lawsuit



5Ghz wardriving

Back to results



WiOpsy - 802.11ac USB Windows Wi-Fi Sniffer by Intelligraphics Inc

Brand: Intelligraphics Inc

Price: \$399.00 \rightarrow prime & FREE Returns

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- Enterprise Grade 802.11ac Dual Band Windows WiFi Sniffer Product
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- Support for Windows 7/8/8.1/10 OS (both x86 and x64)
- Easy-to-use configuration GUI with deep inspection of hundreds of protocols, live capture and offline analysis
- · Guaranteed packet capture performance in par with all the existing WiFi sniffer solutions

Compare with similar items

Report incorrect product information.

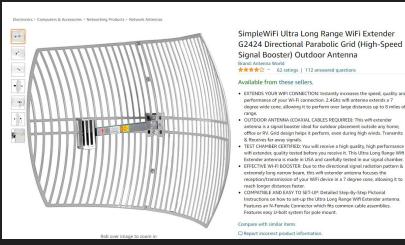
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Packet Sniffing Countermeasures

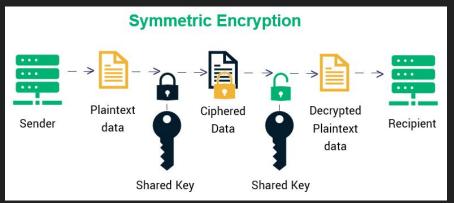
- Require authentication
 - The packets are still in open air, if bad actors are in monitor mode, they can be sniffed.
- ... Hide your SSID ???
 - Doesn't make a difference, provides false sense of security
 - The packets are **still** in open air, many frames still contain the SSID information.
 - Bad actors can send out various requests to find hidden networks.
- Send packets directionally
 - Can still be sniffed
 - Directionality has a cone of dispersion
 - You can read from that cone.
 - WokFi as a receiver
 - 3-5 km typically in decent conditions
 - With a 7° cone (at 4km), you could be
 - At 4km, you could be 200m away!

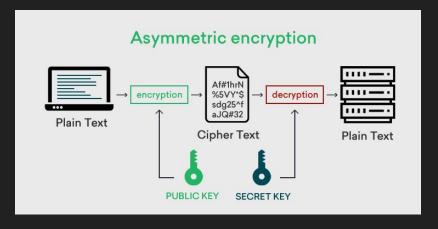
Encryption



Encryption solutions confidentiality attacks

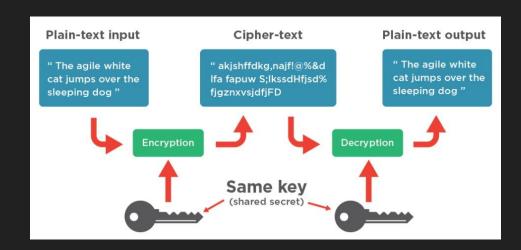
- Two main types of encryption
 - Symmetric key encryption
 - AES
 - Diffie Hellman Key Exchange
 - Asymmetric key encryption
 - RSA
- Other networking specific solutions
 - TKIP, EAP, SAE, 802.1x (EAP)





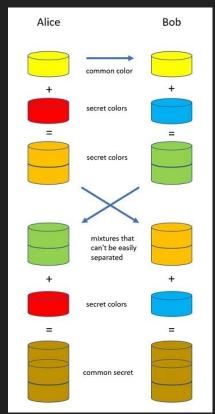
AES (256 Bit)

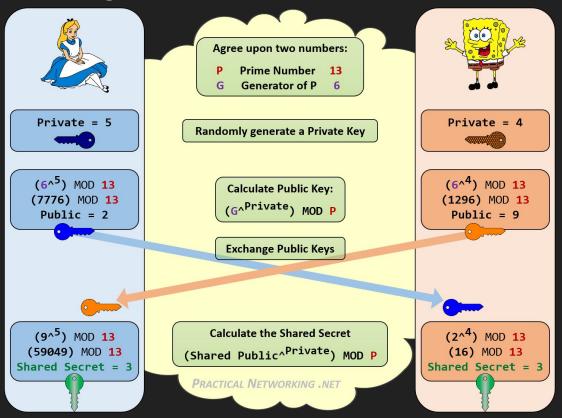
- Advanced Encryption Standard
- Block based encryption
- Symmetric Key Encryption
- Extremely fast
- Known vulnerabilities
 - Known plaintext attack
 - Not extremely effective



- Wireless makes shared secret complicated
 - Has to generate shared key somehow.

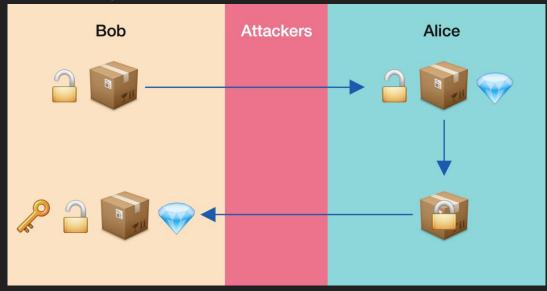
Diffie Hellman Key Exchange





RSA (2048 Bit)

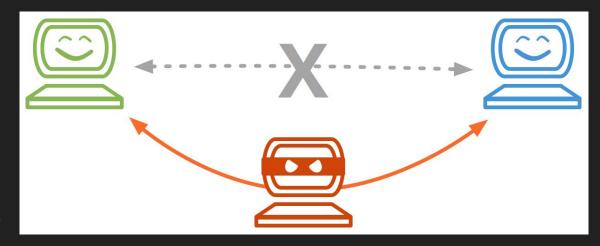
- RSA (Ron Rivest, Adi Shamir, and Leonard Adleman)
- Two keys, one public key, one private key
 - Large prime numbers
 - o 23 * 11 = 253
 - O What are 253's factors?
- ssh-keygen
 - Try it out yourself



Integrity Attacks

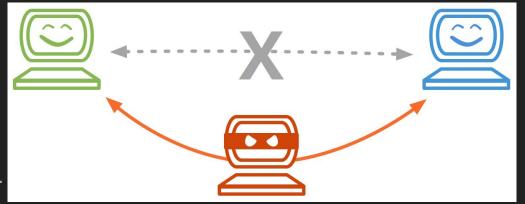
General network integrity attacks

- Integrity assures your data is not tampered, and is from the correct person.
- Off path attacker
 - Can sniff and send, but can't tamper.
- Man-In-The-Middle
 - Put yourself in-between
 Alice and Bob
- Replay attacks (common)
 - Alice sends key to router
 - Use same key with your information.
 - https://www.youtube.com/w atch?v=ZoG5jJ3E8rg



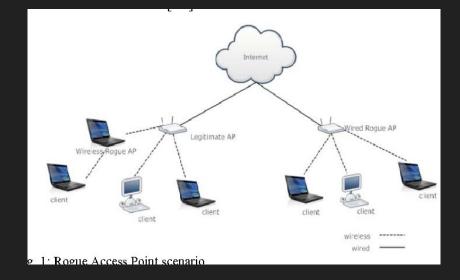
Wireless Integrity Attacks

- Evil twin attack
 - KARMA attack
- Rogue Femtocells
 - Cellular
- Deauthentication Attack
- Replay Attack
- Cracking WiFi security protocols.



RAP

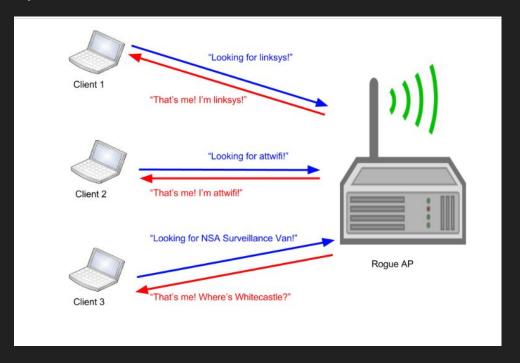
- Rogue Access Points
 - Anything that isn't yours
- Not necessarily malicious
 - Could just be someone else's wifi.
- 2nd Definition
 - Any way to get into a secured network without consent
 - o Backdoor





Evil Twin (KARMA attack)

- Evil Twin Attack
 - First come, first serve
- KARMA Attack
 - Applied evil twin attack
- Wireless makes this easy
 - First come first serve
 - Sniffing



Rogue Femtocell

- Rogue Femtocell
 - Cellular
 - As seen in Mr. Robot S2
- Wifi Pineapple
 - https://shop.hak5.org/products/wifi-pineapple





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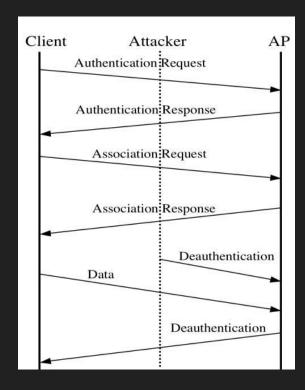
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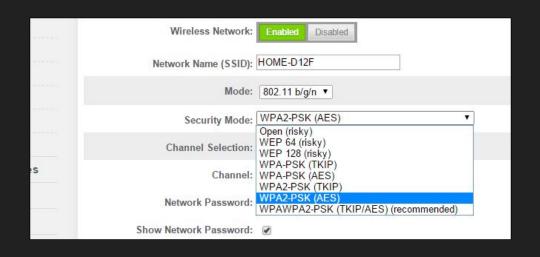
Other Integrity Attacks

- Deauthentication attack
 - o Boot users off whatever wifi they are using.
- Replay attacks
 - Made easier by wireless sniffing.
- Protocol Cracking



WiFi Security Protocols

- WEP
 - Wired Equivalent Privacy
 - Encrypts with RC4
 - No key management
- WPA
 - Wi-Fi Protected Access
 - 4 Way key handshake
 - Built upon WEP
- WPA 2 Handshake (4 Way)
 - PBKDF2-SHA1 hash
 - This is what we currently use
- WPA 3
 - Currently being implemented worldwide



	WEP	WPA	WPA2	WPA3
Brief description	Ensure wired-like privacy in wireless	Based on 802.11i without requirement for new hardware	All mandatory 802.11i features and a new hardware	Announced by Wi-Fi Alliance
Encryption	RC4	TKIP + RC4	CCMP/AES	GCMP-256
Authentication	WEP-Open WEP-Shared	WPA-PSK WPA-Enterprise	WPA2-Personal WPA2- Enterprise	WPA3-Personal WPA3-Enterprise
Dataintegrity	CRC-32	MIC algorithm	Cipher Block Chaining Message Authentication Code (based on AES)	256-bit Broadcast/Multicast Integrity Protocol Galois Message Authentication Code (BIP-GMAC-256)
Key management	none	4-way handshake	4-way handshake	Elliptic Curve Diffie- Hellman (ECDH) exchange and Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA)



aircrack-ng (WEP, WPA, WPA 2-PSK, RC4)

- All in 1 key cracking program
- Many of these protocols are built upon RC4
 - RC4 is provably insecure.
- Crack time
 - WEP: any in a few minutes
 - WPA, as fast as WEP
 - WPA 2 Handshake (4 Way)
 - PBKDF2-SHA1 hash
 - WPA2 cracked in as little as
 10 minutes. Avg a few days
 - This is what most of you use right now.

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### Aircracking 0.5

1 2 ### Byte(vote)

0 0/ 1 AE( 50) 11( 20) 71( 20) 10( 12) 84( 12) 68( 12)

1 1/ 2 5B( 31) BD( 18) F8( 17) E6( 16) 35( 15) CF( 13)

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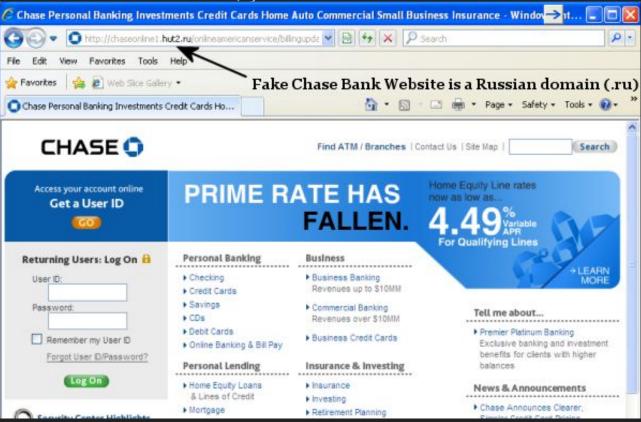
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**KEY FOUND! [ AE:5B:7F:3A:03:D0:AF:9B:F6:8D:A5:E2:C7 ]
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What can you do with this?

If you are a man-in-the-middle, you have almost full control over the system.



Countermeasures to Integrity attacks

- Proper authentication procedures
 - o WPA3, PIKs
- Make it harder for the attacker
 - Spray out lots of fake WiFi Access Points
 - More complex passwords on your wifi
- Use stronger version of 802.11i
- Again, Encrypt your data.
 - TKIP (Temporal Key Integrity Protocol)
 - Wrapped around WEP
 - Insecure
- Message authentication codes.



Availability Attacks

Attacks on Availability

- DOS (Denial of service)
 - Send out garbage packets
 - Turn on the microwave
 - Frequency blasting (<u>Qualcomm Atheros Chipset</u>)
- Deauthentication attacks
 - Force people off the network.
 - Can be used
- Mitnick Attack
 - Application of a DOS
 - Stop server from connecting so the client would give information to Mitnick
 - Ultimately gained root access

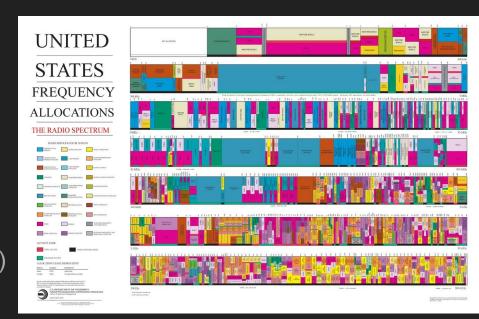


Solutions to availability

... Not really any

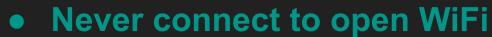
Use illegal bandwidths?

(This is where the law has not caught up)



Remember the Human

- Wireless technical solutions only go so far
 - Human error and gullibility will always be the weakest link.
- Training
 - Teach employees and partners about Social Engineering
 - Phishing awareness, general security awareness
- Common Sense Security Measures
 - o 2FA
 - Enforce HTTPS
 - Adblock, Scriptblock
 - Only connect to things you trust
 - Update to latest security standards.
 - WPA 3 enforced as of July 2020.
 - Have an appropriate threat model





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