

Task 3 - Secure Your Own Wi-Fi Network

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# Objective

To assess the security of a personal mobile hotspot by identifying weak passwords, open ports, and unauthorized connected devices using tools like Aircrack-ng, Nmap, and Wireshark.

### Network Details

Parameter	Value
Hotspot IP	192.168.0.1
Local Device IP	192.168.0.5
Subnet Range	192.168.0.0/24
Wireless Interface	wlan0 (monitor: wlan0mon)

### Tools Used

- Aircrack-ng Capturing and cracking Wi-Fi password.
- **Airodump-ng & Aireplay-ng** Handshake capture and deauthentication.
- Nmap Network and port scanning.
- Wireshark Packet sniffing and traffic analysis.
- Wifite Automation tool for wifi security pentest.

## Methodology

## 1. Monitoring Mode Activation

Enabled monitor mode on interface using:

sudo airmon-ng check kill sudo airmon-ng start wlan0

#### 2. Network Discovery

Identified hotspot details using:

sudo airodump-ng wlan0mon

#### 3. Handshake Capture

Captured handshake using:

sudo airodump-ng --bssid <BSSID> -c <Channel> -w capture wlan0mon

Forced reconnection (if needed) using:

sudo aireplay-ng --deauth 5 -a <BSSID> wlan0mon

### 4. Password Cracking

Attempted WPA2 password cracking with:

aircrack-ng -w /usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt -b <BSSID> capture-01.cap

### 5. Port and Host Scan (Nmap)

Scanned the hotspot for open ports:

nmap -sV 192.168.0.1

Identified all devices in the subnet:

nmap -sn 192.168.0.0/24

### 6. Traffic Analysis (Wireshark)

• Captured packets to detect any unencrypted/suspicious traffic.

# Findings

Category	Result/Observation
Password Strength	Weak
WPA2 Handshake	Not Captured]
Open Ports	53,80,8888
Unauthorized Devices	No
Encryption Type	Unknown
Suspicious Traffic	No

#### Recommendations

- V Use strong WPA2/WPA3 password (avoid dictionary-based ones).
- Regularly check connected devices on the hotspot.
- V Disable hotspot when not in use.
- Update hotspot firmware if possible.
- V Limit the number of devices allowed to connect.
- Use MAC filtering (if available on device).

### Conclusion

This assessment demonstrated the potential risks even on temporary personal networks like mobile hotspots. Through active scanning, password testing, and traffic analysis, several areas of improvement were identified. Implementing the above recommendations will significantly enhance the overall security of the network.