Analysis of Passive Inference of Attacks on CPS Protocols

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Introduction

To understand cyber-physical attacks we need to first understand cyber-physical systems.

What is Cyber Physical System ?

A cyber-physical system (CPS) is a computer system in which a mechanism is controlled or monitored by computer-based algorithms.

What is a Cyber Threat ?

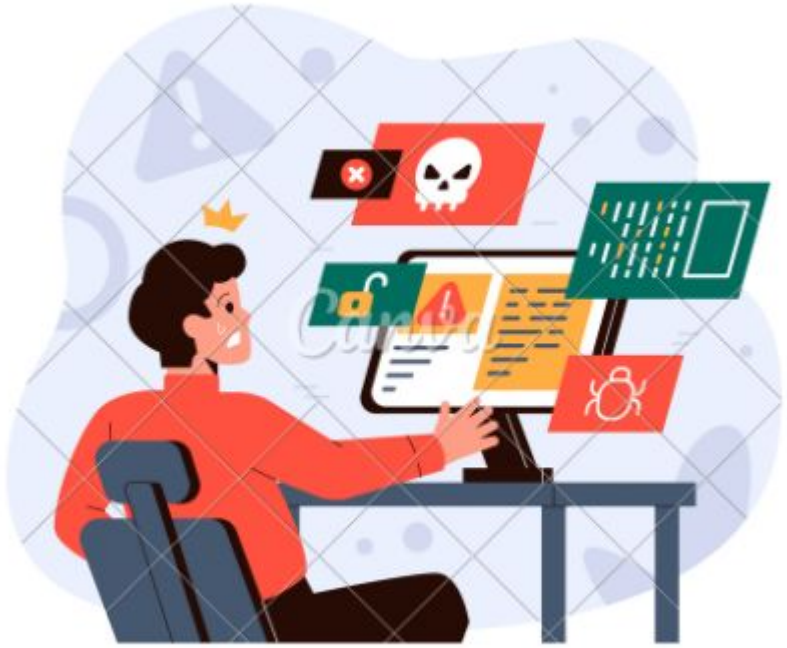
National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) defines cyber threat as any event that has the potential to adversely impact organizational operations, assets, individuals via unauthorized access, destruction, modification of information, and/or disruption of service.

Introduction

Different types of Cyber Physical Attacks

The most common types of cyber-physical attacks can be summarized as follows, few of them are discussed in the upcoming slides :

1. Eavesdropping attacks
2. Denial of Service attacks
3. Data Injection attacks
4. Side-Channel attacks



Attack Scenario in CPS

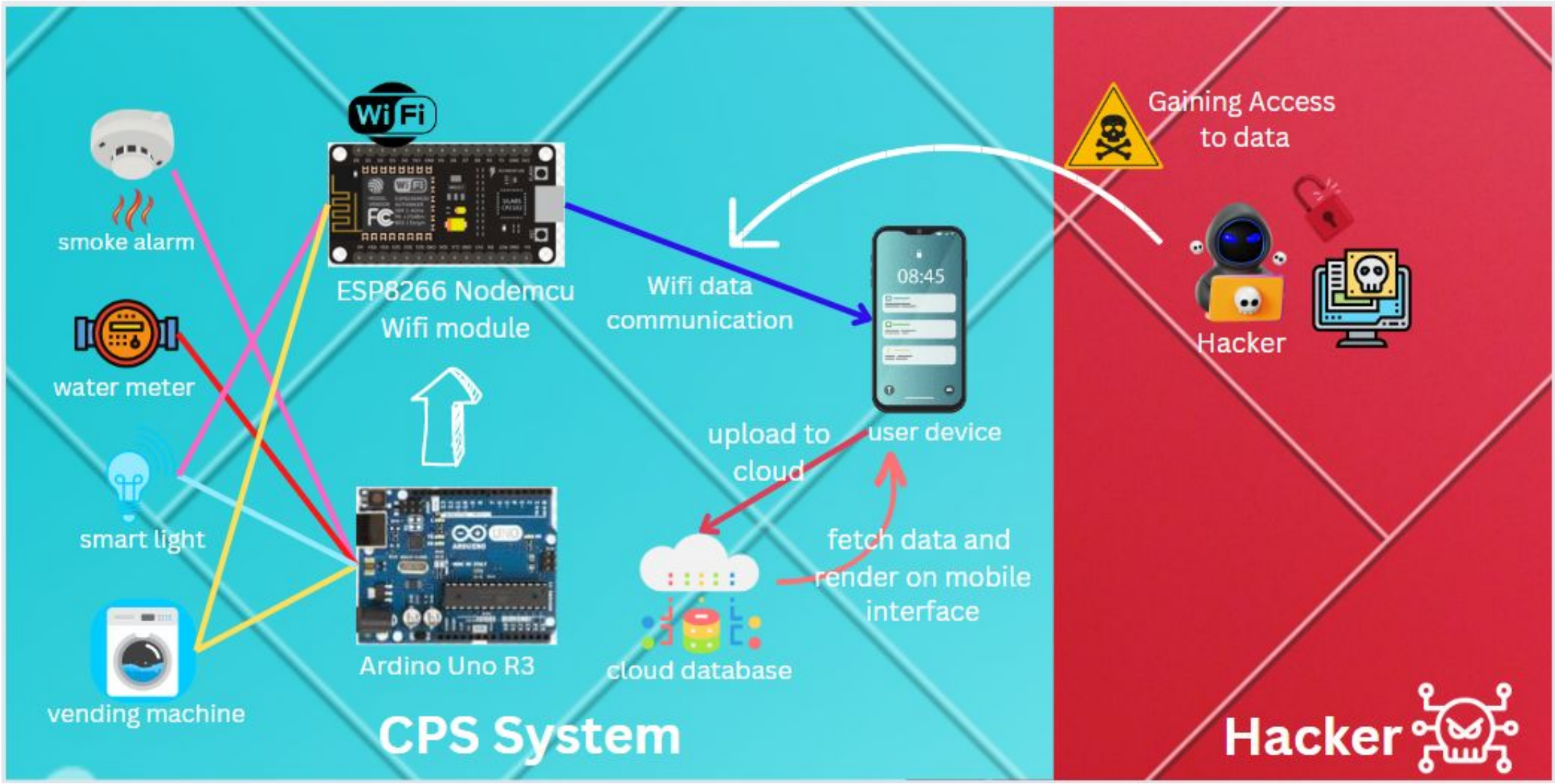
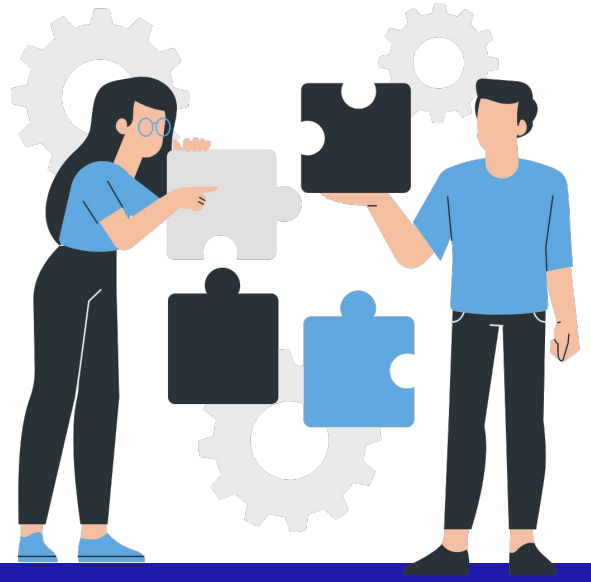


Fig. 1.1 CPS Overview and Attack Scenario

Problem statement

Vulnerability assessment of unsolicited real traffic targeting used IP addresses to analyze the impact of passive inference of attacks on CPS protocols.



Literature

S. No	References	Year	Title of the paper	Objective and functionality
1.	Bou-Harba , Nasir Ghani b , Abdelkarim Erradi et al.	2016	Passive inference of attacks on CPS communication protocols	To deduce, quantify, characterize, and analyze ideas of CPS maliciousness from this research. This article utilized passive measurements and analysis in a novel way to extract probing and denial-of-service (DoS) assaults targeting a variety of CPS communication and control protocols.
2.	Li X, Lu R, Liang X, Shen X, Chen J, Lin X. et al.	2019	Smart community: an internet of things application.	We learned about the smart community, a brand-new Internet of Things application, built on wireless communications and networking technology.
3.	Edward A. Lee et al.	2015	The past, present and future of cyber-physical systems: a focus on models.	We grasped the idea of better engineering of cyber-physical systems through better models.

Challenges

After reviewing these 3 papers we found some challenges related to the CPS security

- The lack of CPS threat detectors that are tailored towards the manufacturing sector
- The absence of theoretical and practical analysis investigating the detection latency as a performance metric

Types of Attacks Performed

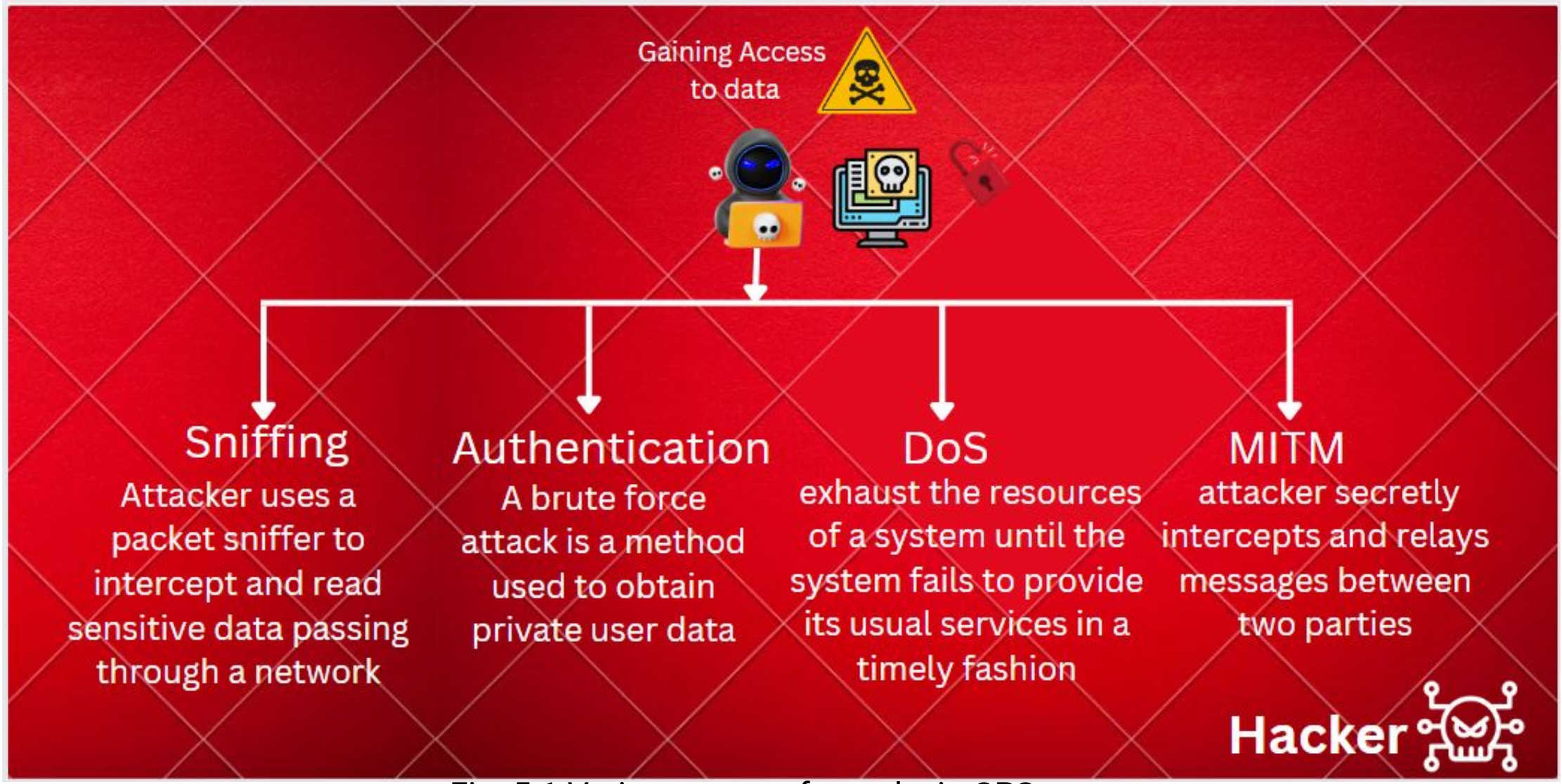


Fig. 5.1 Various types of attacks in CPS

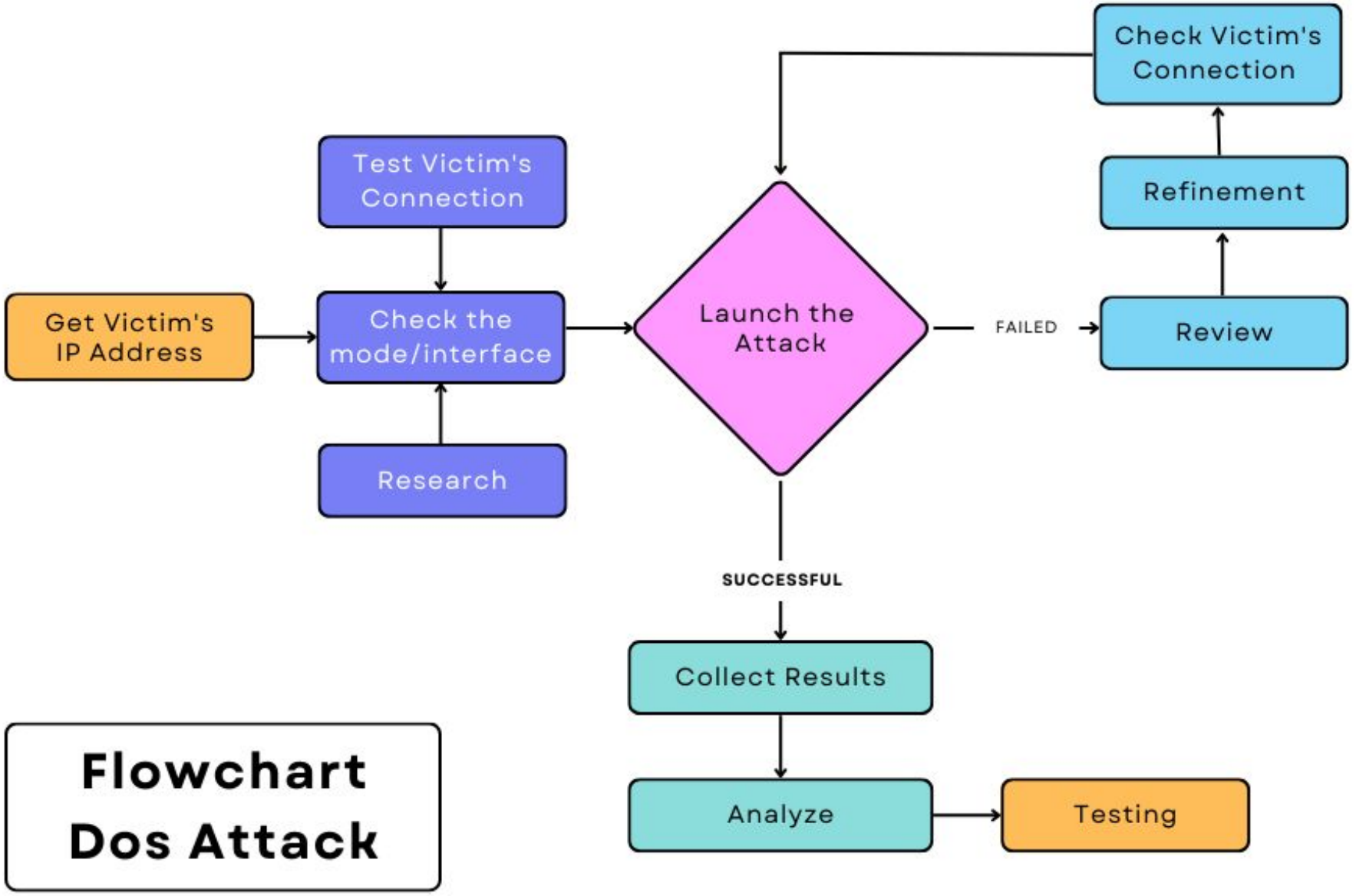
DoS Attack

A denial-of-service (DoS) attack is a type of cyber attack in which a malicious actor aims to render a computer or other device unavailable to its intended users by interrupting the device's normal functioning.

- A typically slow network performance such as long load times for files or websites
- The inability to load a particular website such as your web property
- A sudden loss of connectivity across devices on the same network

Dos attack we performed ： **Flood attack**

Workflow


Check Victim's Connection
Test Victim's Connection
Refinement
Get Victim's IP Address
Check the mode/interface
Launch the Attack
FAILED
Review
Research
SUCCESSFUL
Collect Results
Flowchart
Dos Attack
Analyze
Testing

DoS Attack

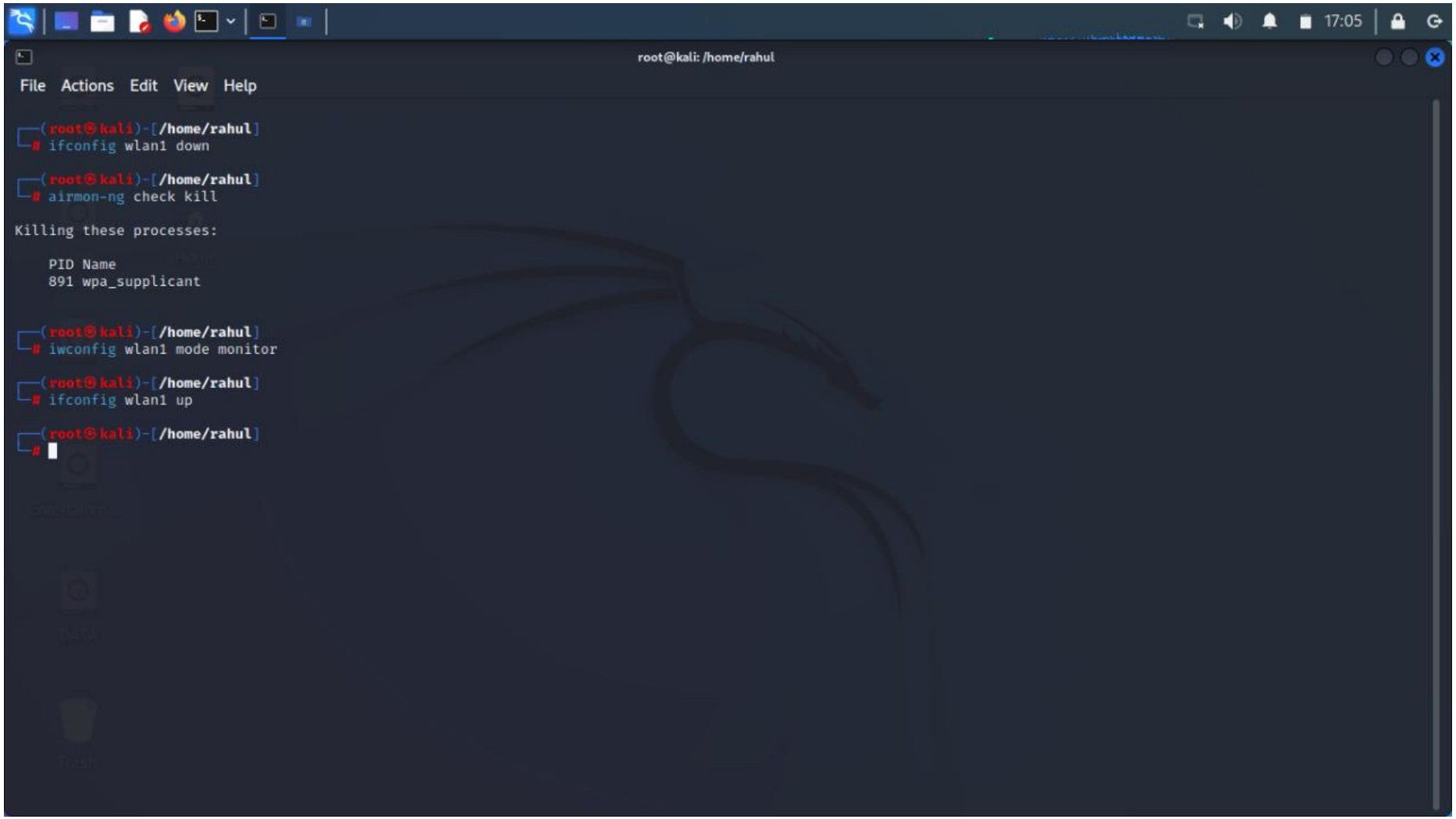


Fig. 5.2 Network Configuration

DoS Attack

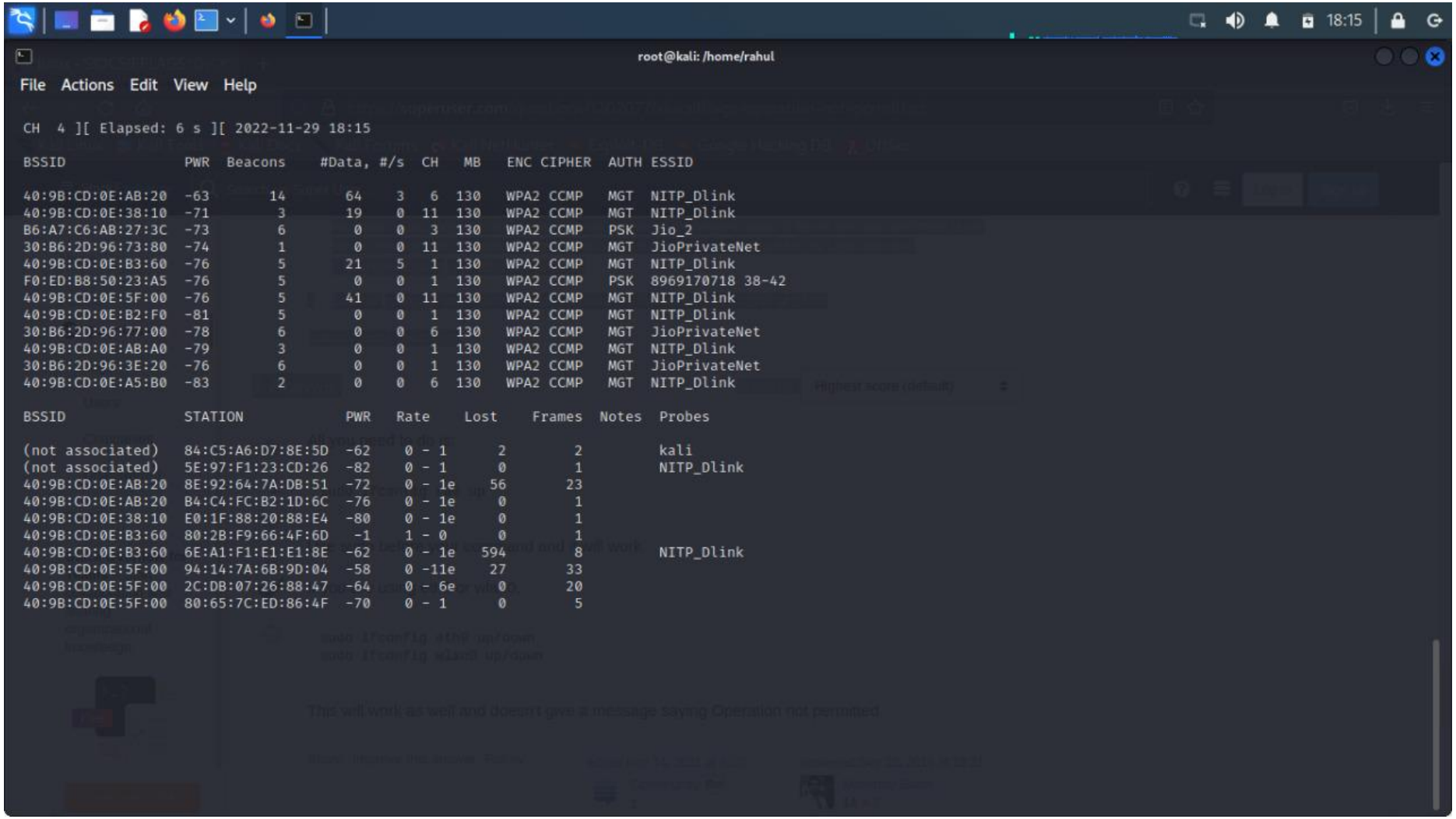


Fig. 5.3 Network Tracing

DoS Attack

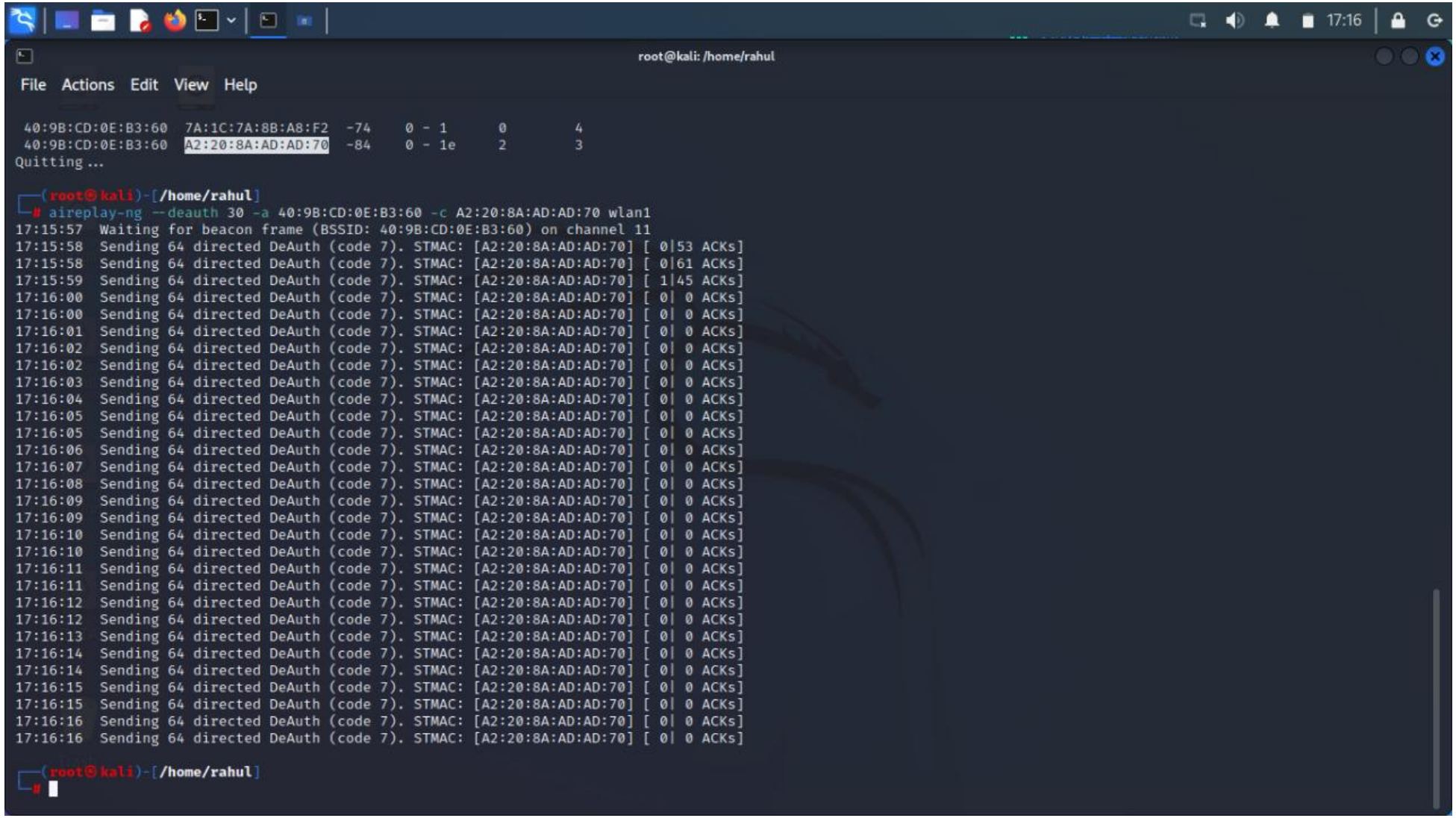


Fig. 5.4 Deauthentication Attack

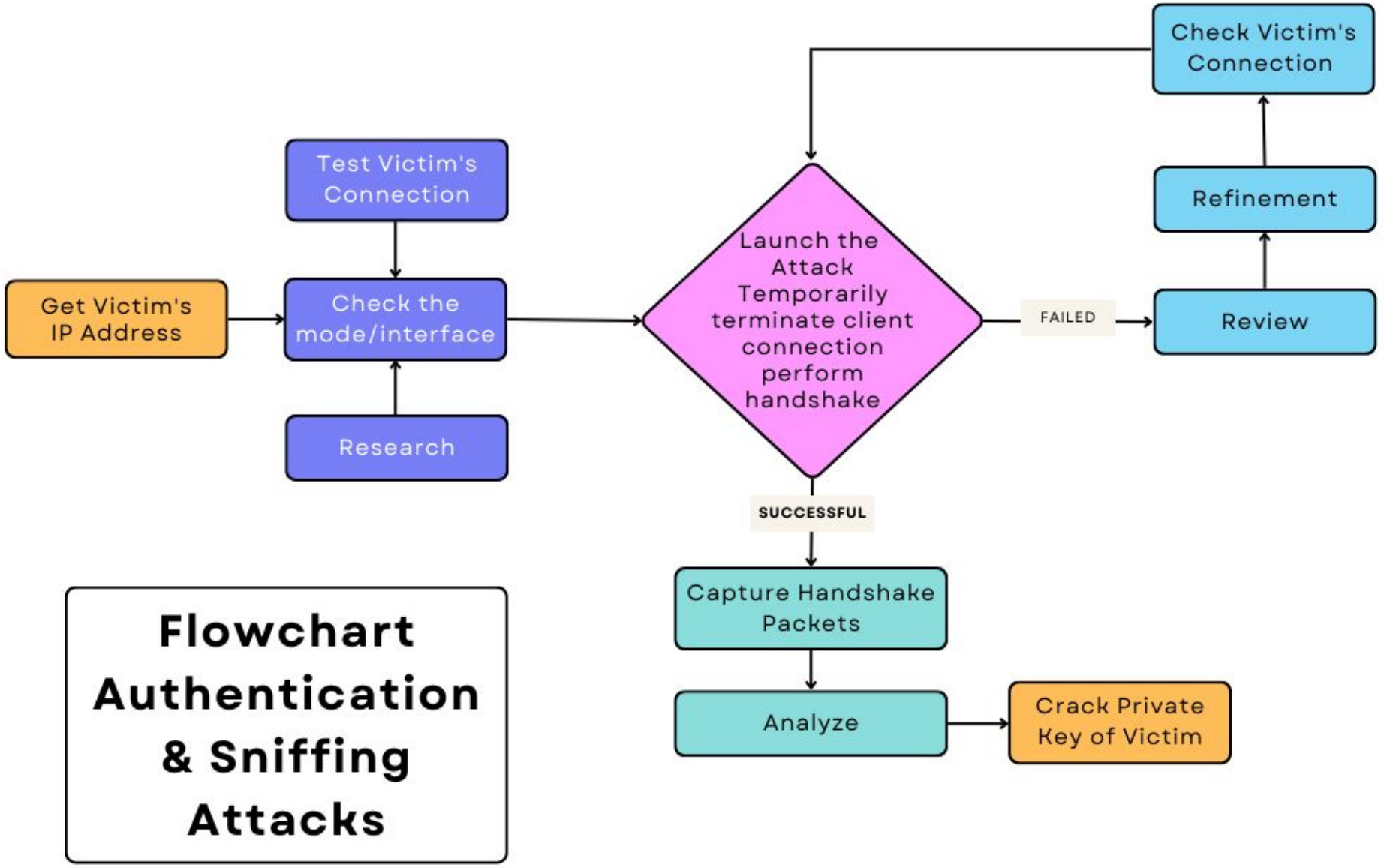
Authentication attack

Allows an attacker to guess a person's username , password ,credit card number or cryptography key by an automated process of trial and error

What we performed

First we start to capturing the packet than we did dos attack to break connection and when user connect its pc to computer then we capture handshake file tried all possible approach to crack password.

Authentication attack



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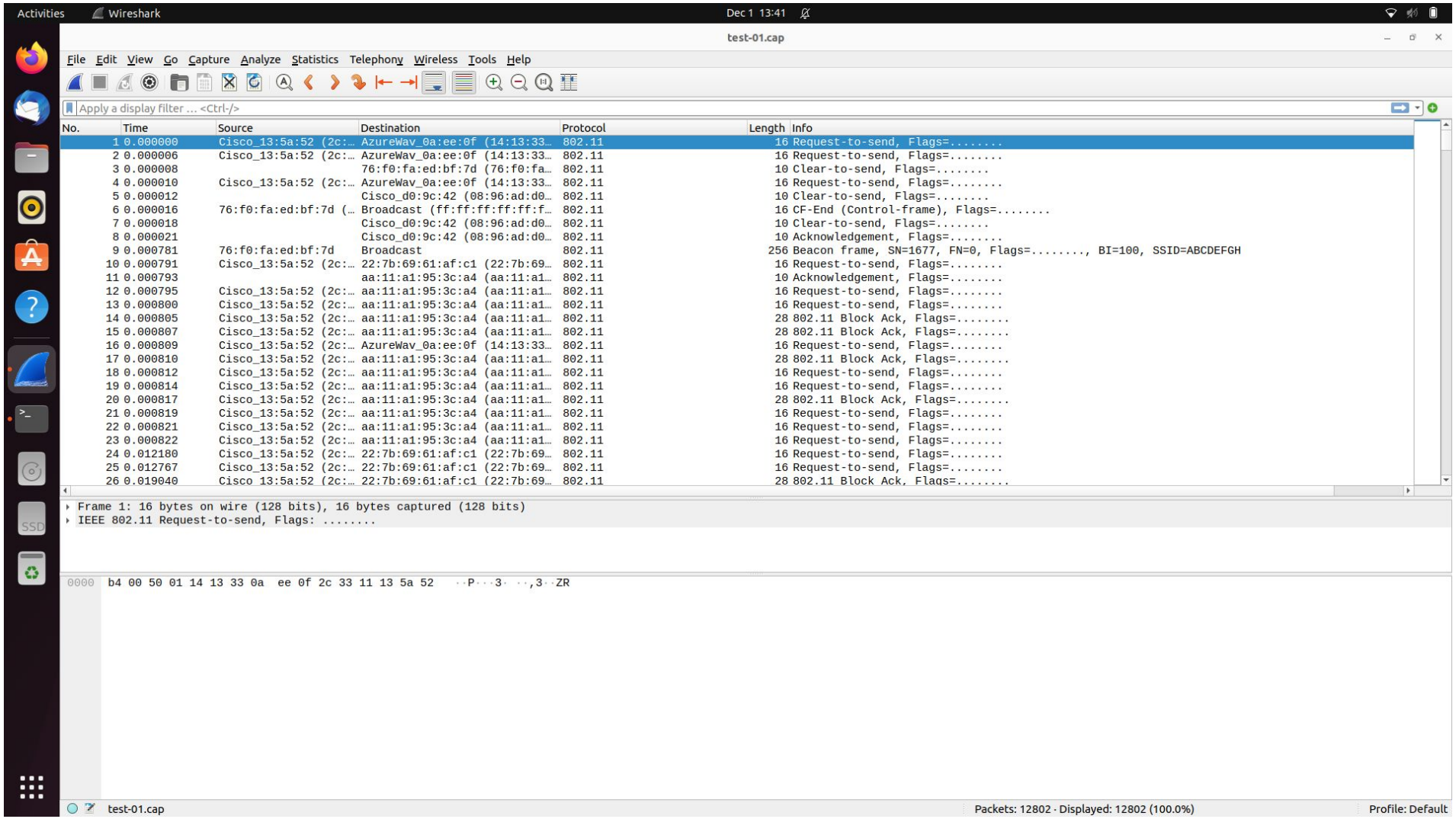

Fig. 5.5 Packet Sniffing

Authentication attack

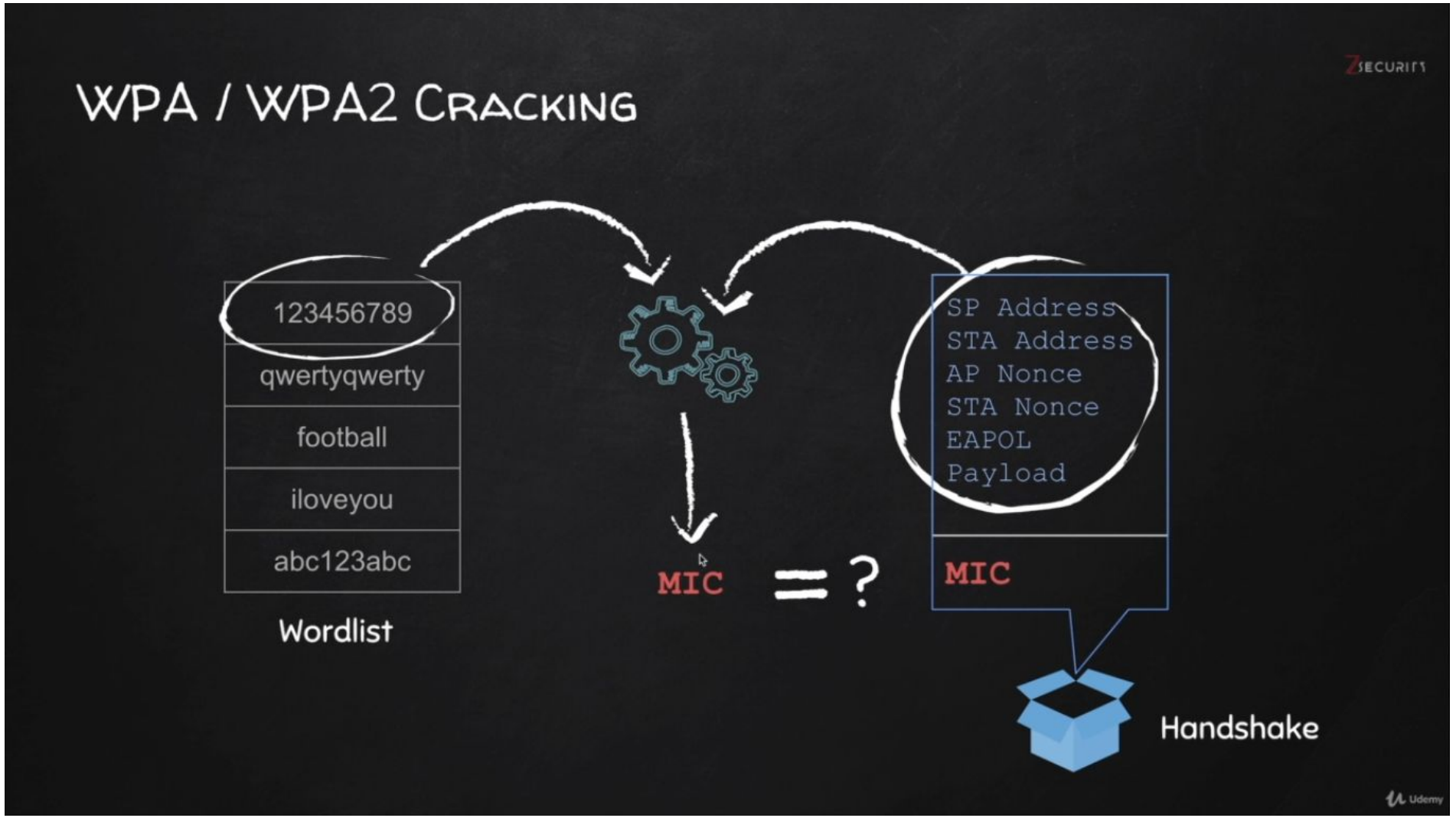

Fig. 5.6 Comparing message integrity code (MIC)

Authentication attack

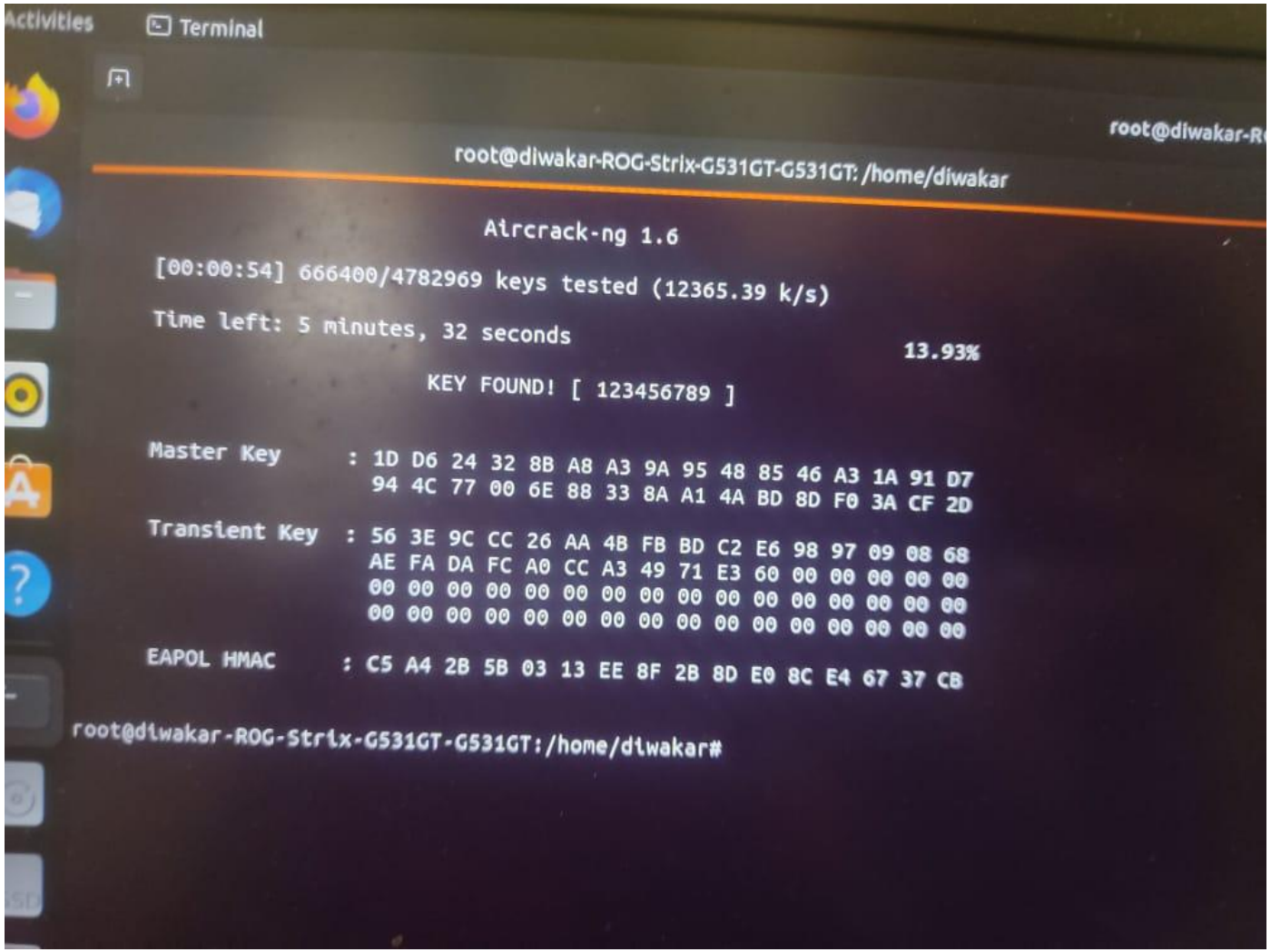

Fig. 5.7 Secret Key revealed

Information gathering

A port is a physical docking point using which an external device can be connected to the computer. It can also be programmatic docking point through which information flows from a program to the computer or over the Internet.

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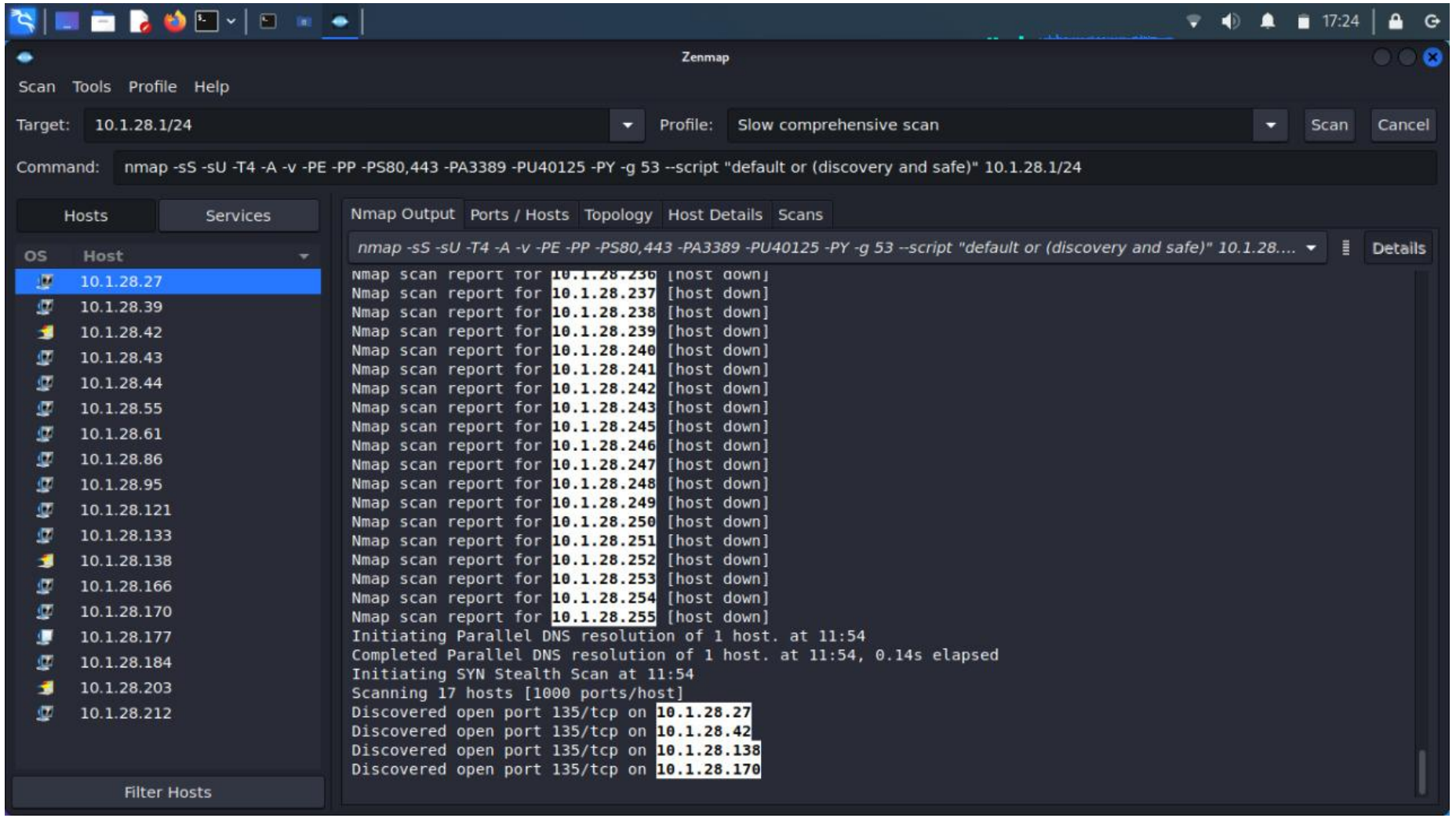


Fig. 5.8 Details of MAC and Port number available and work performed by the user

DoS Attack

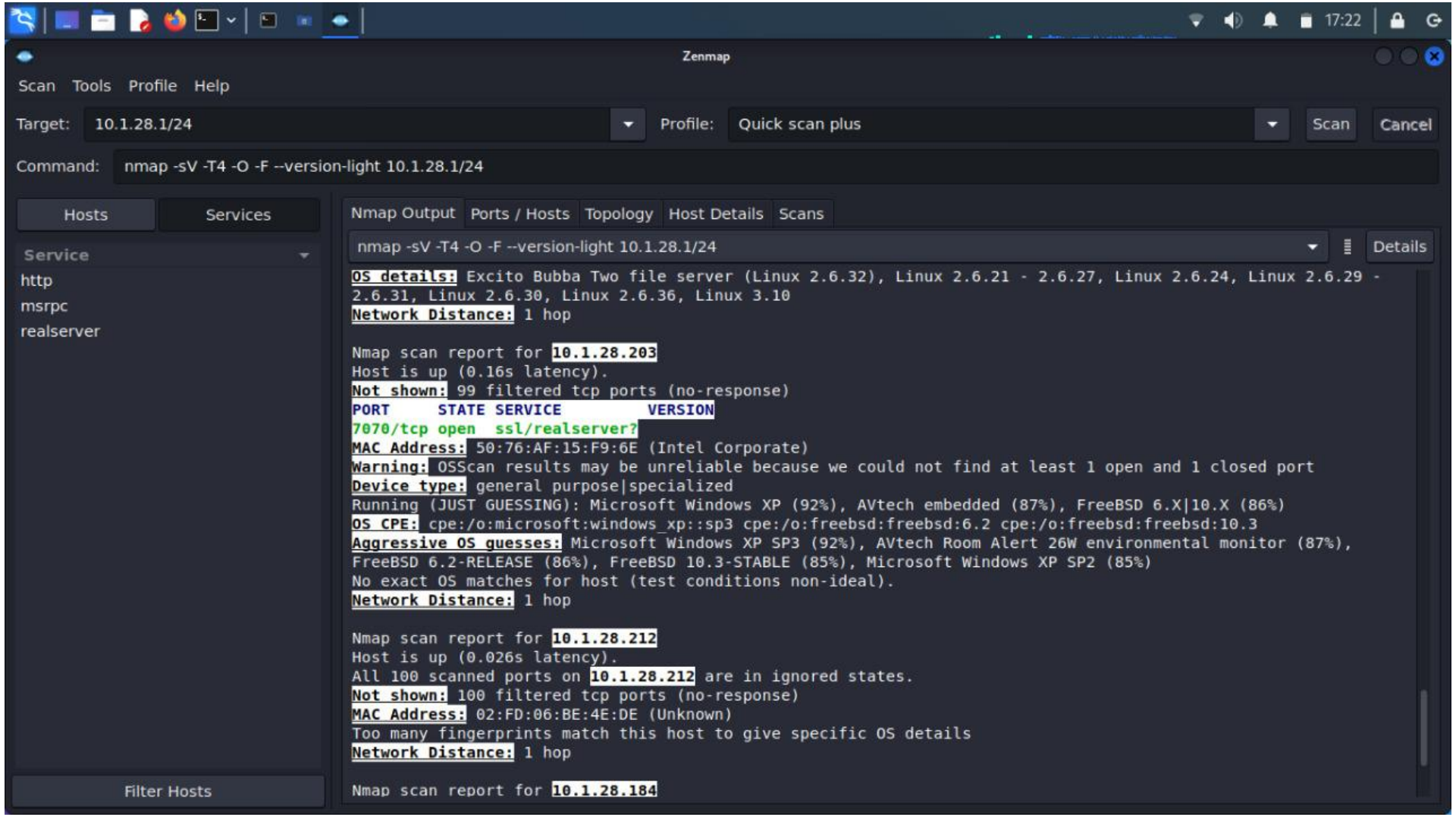


Fig. 5.9 Available/Open TCP Ports

MITM

ARP Spoofing using MITMF

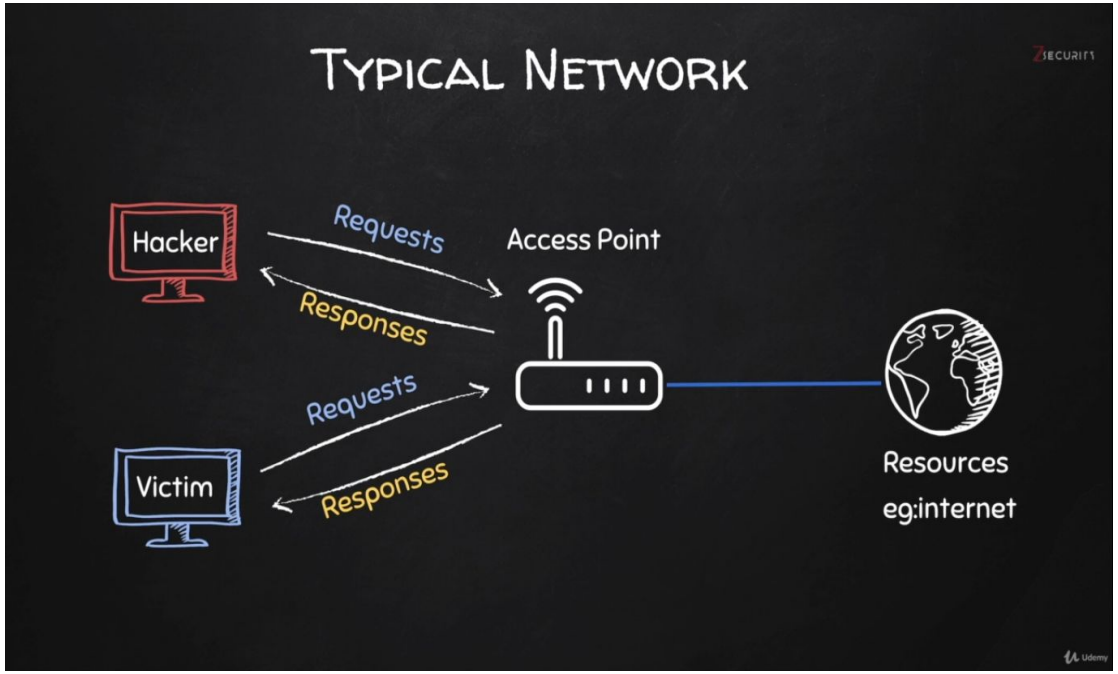
Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) is a protocol that enables network communications to reach a specific device on the network.

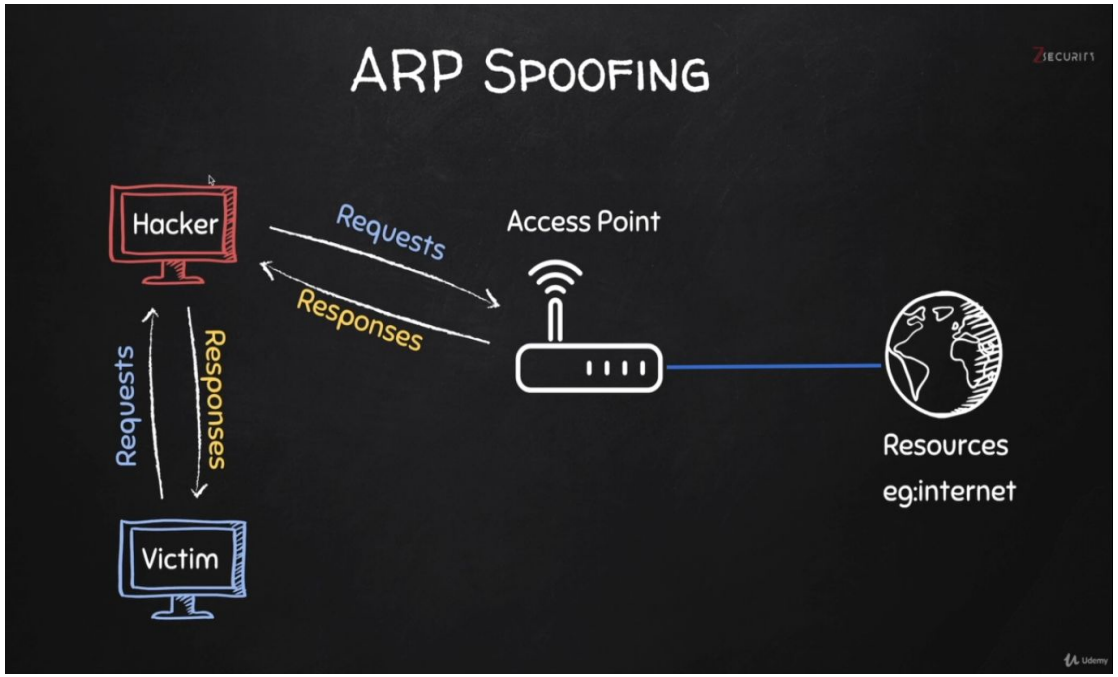
ARP translates Internet Protocol (IP) addresses to a Media Access Control (MAC) address, and vice versa.

Most commonly, devices use ARP to contact the router or gateway that enables them to connect to the Internet.

Workflow MITM

MITM Attack :





1. ARP Spoofing.
2. Perform MITM attack.

MITM

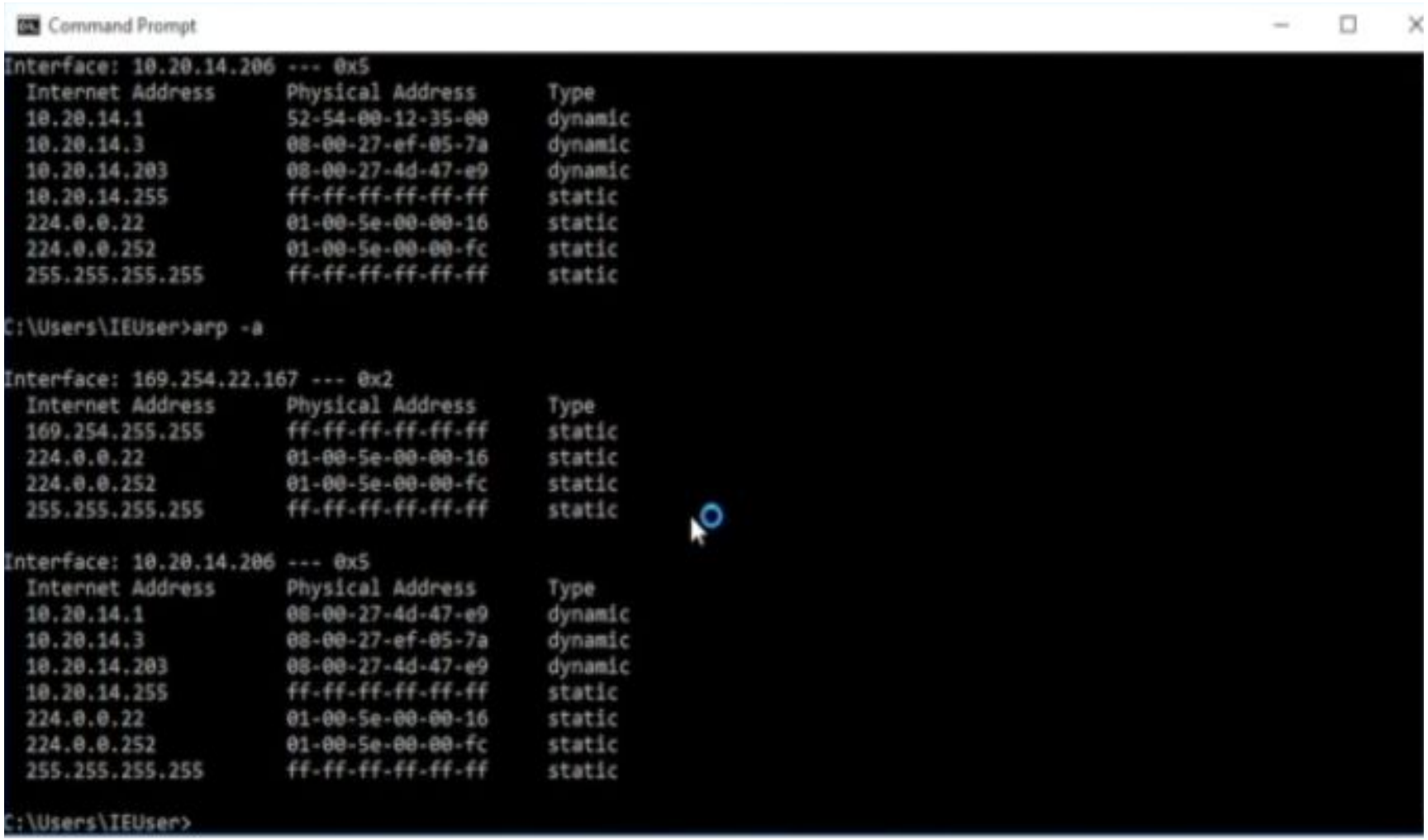


Fig. 5.10 Targeting particular IP address

Results

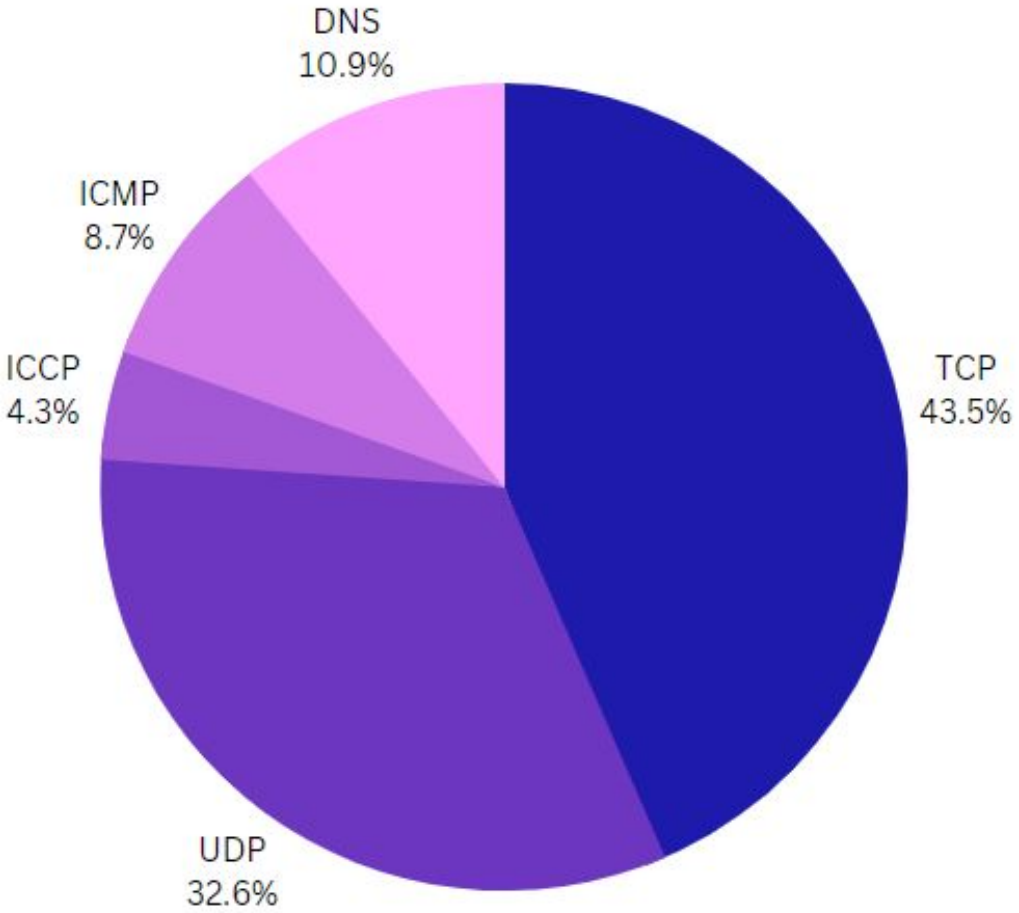


Fig. 6.1 The distribution of DoS Attacks targeting the CPS Protocols.

Results

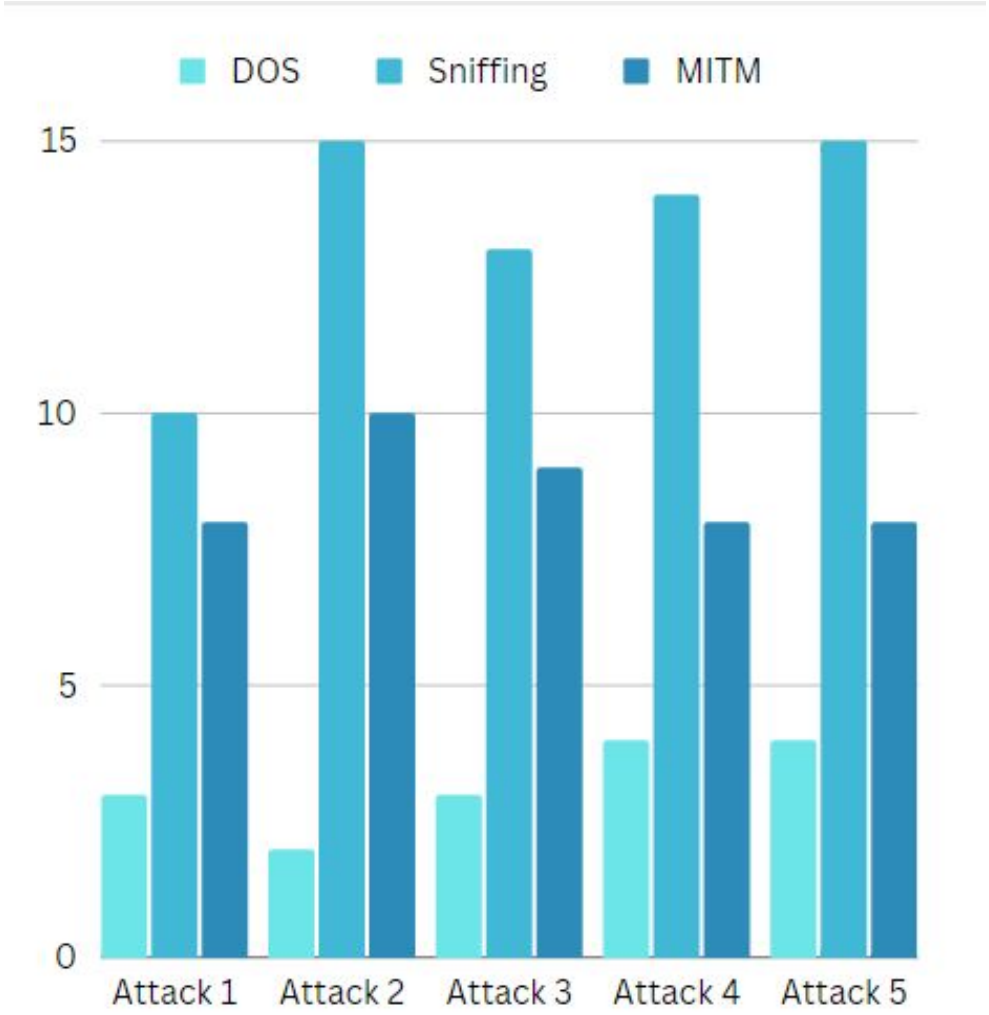


Fig. 6.2 Time taken by various types of attacks

Conclusion

Thus, In this project we learned that there are a lot of vulnerabilities in the current cyber-physical system(CPS) and also learned about how to access that vulnerabilities by performing different types of passive attacks like DoS, Authentication breaking, Sniffing etc.

So, we need to improve the security mechanisms of the CPS to protect it from different type of attacks.

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