Wanna TEMPEST your computer?

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TLS-SEC

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"Projet long" background

THC 2018 Challenge

- Prepare tutorial challenge
- Work based on GSMem: Data Exfiltration from Air-Gapped Computers over GSM Frequencies (24th USENIX Security Symposium)
- "Challenge": data exfiltration form an air-gapped computer
- "Tutorial": guide the challenger step-by-step
- Idea : follow how we succeed to reproduce a part of the paper

Electromagnetic emanations

Emanations

- Each electronic device has emanations
- Could be electronical, acoustical, mecanical or electromagnetical
- We focused on electromagnetic emanations

TEMPEST

- Name given by NSA for standards protecting against electromagnetic emanations
- Context: EMSEC, surbpart of COMSEC

Air-gapped networks



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Data exfiltration

Devices

- 1 air-gapped computer (attacked computer)
- 1 standard computer (attacker's computer)

Tools

- Spectrum analyzer
- Software-defined radio : USRP/RTL-SDR
- Antennas
- Softwares : URH/GNURadio

Goal

Transfer a password from the air-gapped computer to the attacker's computer creating a covert channel.



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