Blue teaming project

# Forensics case-Jessie Pinkman

In this document I will explore the data given to me and analyze it, trying to help a police investigation by using Forensic techniques.

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# Scenario

On 17 May 2018 at 10:40, the police were alerted that an illegal drug lab was invaded and unsuccessfully set on fire. The police respond promptly, and a forensic team is on scene at 10:45, including a digital forensic specialist.

The owner the illegal drug lab, Jessie Pinkman, is nowhere to be found. Police interrogate two of Jessie Pinkman's known associates: D. Pandana and S. Varga. Pandana and Verga admit having access to the drug lab's Wi-Fi network but deny any involvement in the raid. They also say that Jessie Pinkman's had the IoT security systems installed because he feared attacks from a rival gang and that Jessie kept the alarm engaged in "Home" mode whenever he was inside the drug lab.

Within the drug lab (\*\* see diagram) the digital forensic specialist observes some IoT devices, including an alarm system (iSmartAlarm), three cameras (QBee Camera, Nest Camera and Arlo Pro) as well as a smoke detector (Nest Protect). An Amazon Echo and a Wink Hub are also present.

The digital forensic specialist preserves the diagnostic logs from the iSmartAlarm base station and acquires a copy of the filesystem of the Wink Hub. He also collects the iSmartAlarm and Arlo base stations to perform an in-depth analysis at the forensic laboratory.

The digital forensic specialist also notices that a QBee Camera seems to be disabled, so he collects a sample of the network traffic.

Back at the forensic laboratory, the digital forensic specialist uses the bootloader to collect a memory image of the two base stations as well as an archive of some folder of interest of the Arlo base station.

Jessie Pinkman's Samsung Galaxy Edge S6 is found at the scene, likely dropped during the raid. The digital forensic specialist acquires a physical image of this Samsung device.

# Questions

The Attorney General needs answers to the following questions:

At what time was the illegal drug lab raided?

Could any of the two friends of Jessie Pinkman have been involved in the raid?

If YES:

- Which friend?
- What is the confidence in such hypothesis?

How was the QBee camera disabled?

# Information we have

The police have recovered multiple sources of information that we can investigate. I have listed every item below.

Physical extraction of Jessie Pinkman's Samsung phone

Samsung GSM\_SM-G925F Galaxy S6 Edge.7z ae83b8ec1d4338f6c4e0a312e73d7b410904fab504f7510723362efe6186b757

iSmartAlarm –Diagnostic logs

ismartalarm/diagnostics/2018-05-17T10\_54\_28/server\_stream

8033ba6d37ad7f8ba22587ae560c04dba703962ed16ede8c36a55c9553913736

iSmartAlarm – Memory images: 0x0000'0000 (ismart\_00.img)

dump/ismart\_00.img

b175f98ddb8c79e5a1e7db84eeaa691991939065ae17bad84cdbd915f65d9a10

iSmartAlarm - Memory images: 0x8000'0000 (ismart\_80.img)

dump/ismart\_80.img

b175f98ddb8c79e5a1e7db84eeaa691991939065ae17bad84cdbd915f65d9a10

Arlo – Memory image

arlo/dfrws\_arlo.img

3b957a90a57e5e4485aa78d79c9a04270a2ae93f503165c2a0204de918d7ac70

Arlo -NVRAM settings

arlo/nvram.log

f5d680d354a261576dc8601047899b5173dbbad374a868a20b97fbd963dca798

Arlo –NAND: TAR archive of the folder /tmp/media/nand

arlo/arlo nand.tar.gz

857455859086cd6face6115e72cb1c63d2befe11db92beec52d1f70618c5e421

WinkHub -Filesystem TAR archive

wink/wink.tar.gz

083e7428dc1d0ca335bbcfc11c6263720ab8145ffc637954a7733afc7b23e8c6

Amazon Echo - Extraction of cloud data obtained via CIFT

echo/(2018-07-01 13.17.01) CIFT RESULT.zip

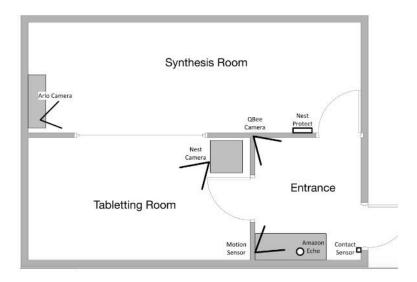
7ee2d77a3297bb7ea4030444be6e0e150a272b3302d4f68453e8cfa11ef3241f

Network capture

network/dfrws police.pcap

1837ee390e060079fab1e17cafff88a1837610ef951153ddcb7cd85ad478228e

We are provided with a diagram of the drug lab.



# 1 Analysis

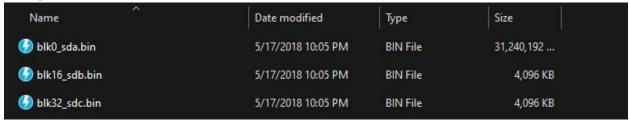
In this chapter I will show what interesting clues I managed to find

# 1.1 Jessie Pinkman's phone.

Jessies phone was retrieved by the police from the drug lab. It is a Samsung galaxy s6 edge device. With a quick google we can find the specs of the smartphone.

NETWORK	Technology	GSM / CDMA / HSPA / EVDO / LTE EXPAND
LAUNCH	Announced	2015, March. Released 2015, April
LAUNUII	Status	Discontinued
BODY	Dimensions	142 x 70.1 x 7.1 mm (5.59 x 2.76 x 0.28 in)
	Weight	132 g (4.66 oz)
	Build	Glass front (Gorilla Glass 4), glass back (Gorilla Glass 4), aluminum frame
	SIM	Nano-SIM
DISPLAY	Туре	Super AMOLED
DIOI LIN	Size	5.1 inches, 71.7 cm <sup>2</sup> (~72.0% screen-to-body ratio)
	Resolution	1440 x 2560 pixels, 16:9 ratio (~576 ppi density)
	Protection	Corning Gorilla Glass 4
PLATFORM	os	Android 5.0.2 (Lollipop), upgradable to 5.1 (Lollipop), TouchWiz UI
Dironii	Chipset	Exynos 7420 Octa (14 nm)
	CPU	Octa-core (4x2.1 GHz Cortex-A57 & 4x1.5 GHz Cortex-A53)
	GPU	Mali-T760MP8
MEMORY	Card slot	No
III CITT	Internal	32GB 3GB RAM, 64GB 3GB RAM, 128GB 3GB RAM
		UFS 2.0
MAIN	Single	16 MP, f/1.9, 28mm (wide), 1/2.6", 1.12μm, AF, OIS
CAMERA	Features	LED flash, auto-HDR, panorama
	Video	4K@30fps, 1080p@30/60fps, 720p@120fps, HDR, stereo sound rec., OIS, gyro-EIS
SELFIE	Single	5 MP, f/1.9, 22mm (wide)
CAMERA	Features	Dual video call, Auto-HDR
	Video	1440p@30fps
SOUND	Loudspeaker	Yes
OOOND	3.5mm jack	Yes
		24-bit/192kHz audio
COMMS	WLAN	Wi-Fi 802.11 a/b/g/n/ac, dual-band, Wi-Fi Direct, hotspot
COMMIS	Bluetooth	4.1, A2DP, LE, aptX
	Positioning	GPS, GLONASS
	NFC	Yes
	Infrared port	Yes
	Radio	No
	USB	microUSB 2.0, OTG
FEATURES	Sensors	Fingerprint (front-mounted), accelerometer, gyro, proximity, compass, barometer, heart rate, SpO2
		ANT+

The phone's data is provided as a compressed file. Once unzipped we have 3 disk images we can look through.



I used Autopsy 4.2.0 to open the bin file and enumerate data inside. The most significant out of the 3 is **blk0-sda.bin** because it contains Jessie Pinkman's phone data, screenshots, voice messages, videos and photos taken by NEST camera and Arlo Pro.



The disk had 21 partitions with various information inside.

VOL1	Unallocated
VOL4	BOTA0
VOL5	BOTA1
VOL6	EFS
VOL7	PARAM
VOL8	воот
VOL9	RECOVERY
VOL10	OTA
VOL11	RADIO
VOL12	TOMBSTONES
VOL13	DNT
VOL14	PERSISTENT
VOL15	STEADY
VOL16	PERSDATA
VOL17	SBFS
VOL18	SYSTEM
VOL19	CACHE
VOL20	HIDDEN
VOL21	USERDATA
VOL22	UNALLOCATED

Information about Jessies phone is in VOL21: USERDATA

I found interesting pictures taken by Jessie on his phone in Vol21/media/0/DCIM/CAMERA

Photographs of Arlo base station.

Mac 08028EDD754F



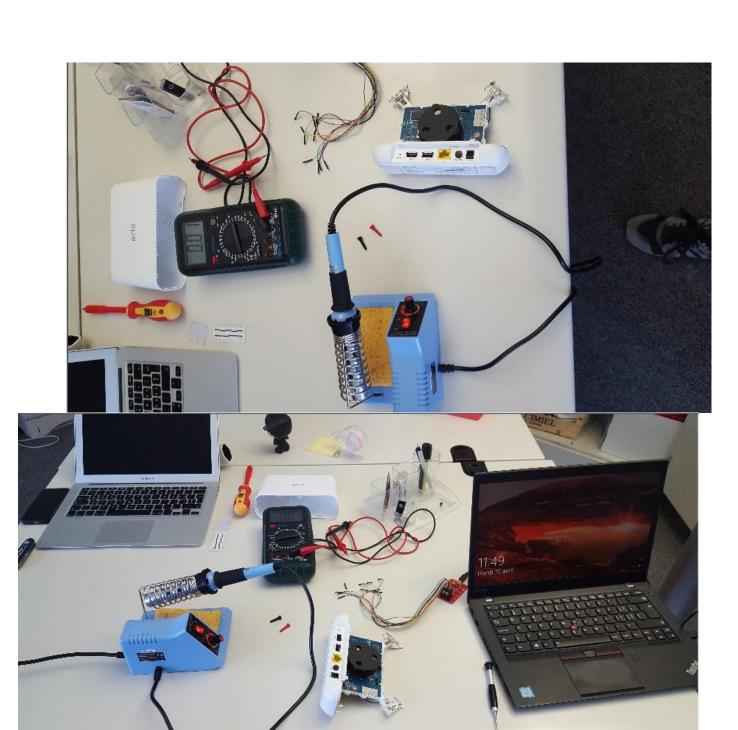




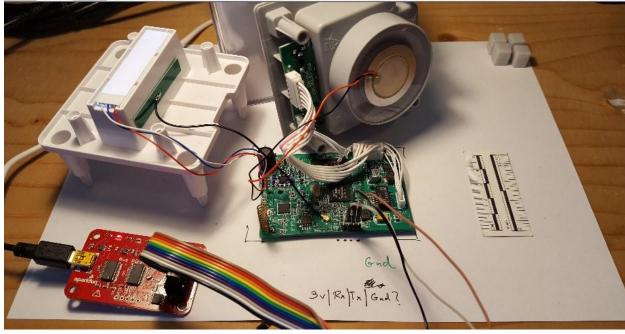




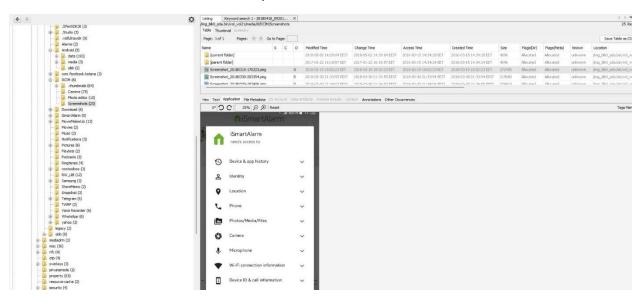
Assembly of the alarm system in the drug lab.

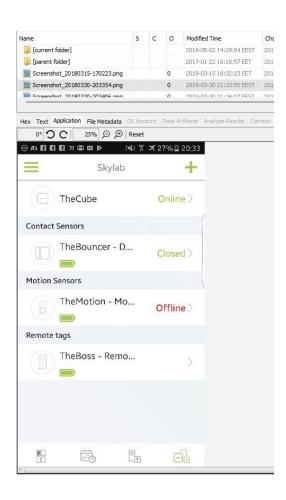






I found a screenshot of the I smart alarm system.



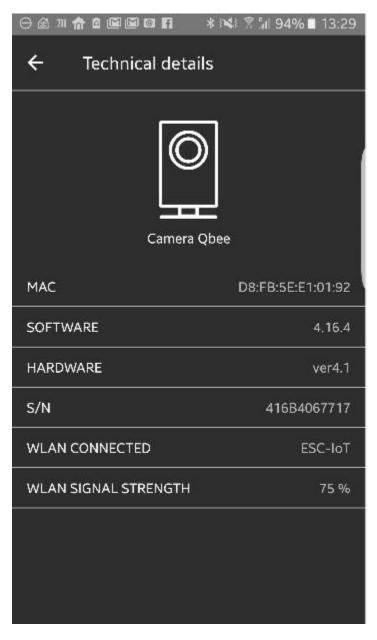


According to the screenshots the alarm system has a:

- station The cube
- motion sensor The motion
- contact sensor The bouncer.

Jessie Pinkman uses a remote tag to arm and disarm the alarm system called The Boss.

Screenshot of Qbee camera technical details



## 1.1.1 Ismart alarm database

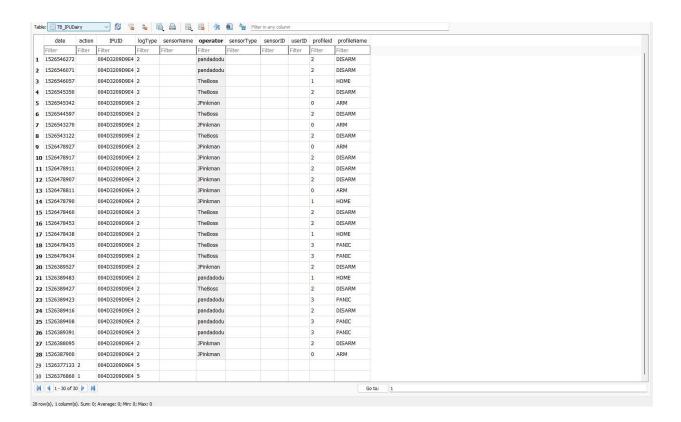
In the Samsung image dump I found a database that shows the activity on the Ismart alarm. I could see which user operated the camera and what actions they took. From this database I can conclude that only 3 accounts had access to the alarm system:

- The boss
- J. Pinkman
- Pandadodu

The boss is a nickname for J Pinkmans phone that he uses to control the lot devices in the lab remotely. He also has a remote tag that has his name.

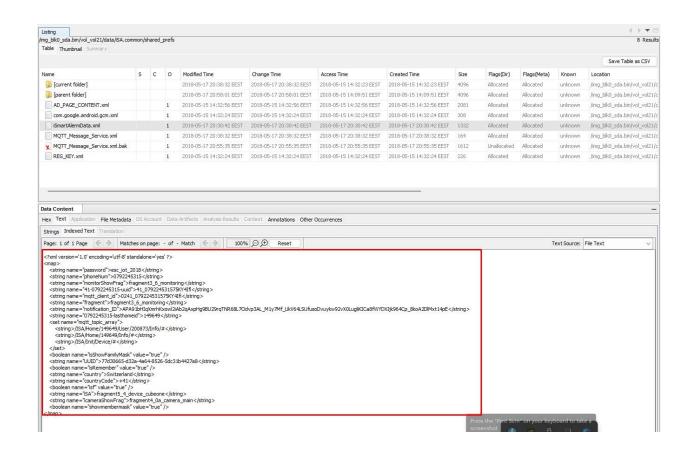
Pandadodu is the other user that has access to the alarm system. His account name is very similar to one of Jessies friends D. Pandana. We can assume the account belongs to him due to that.

This database gave us the crucial information that there were only 2 users controlling the alarm system.



## 1.1.2 Ismart alarm plain text data

In the Samsung dump file, I found an xml file coming from the Ismart alarm that was not encoded. All the data was written in plain text which can lead to serious security problems in the form of man in the middle attacks. The xml file is called ISmartAlarmData.xml.



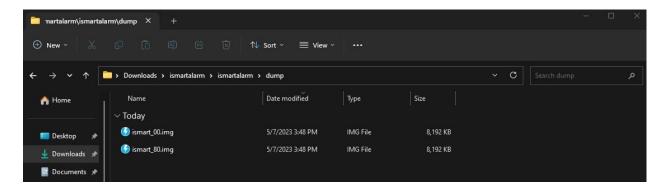
## Wink smart home system



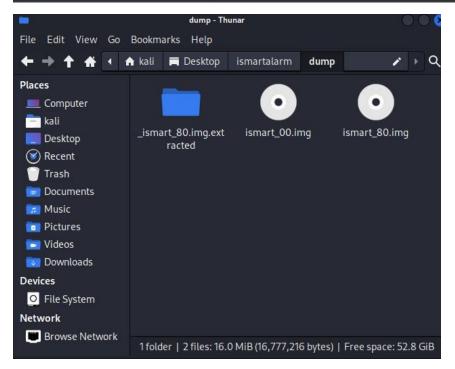
# 1.2 I smart alarm image and diagnostic logs.

Before I started examining the files I wanted to understand how the ismart alarm works. According to Wikipedia it is an alarm system that is assembled by the user according to his needs. This might include more sensors of various kinds. The alarm system can be operated through a smartphone. It monitors the sensors and in case of unwanted access, it sends notifications to the user's smartphone.

After I was familiar with the arlo alarm system's functions I examined the files.



I used binwalk in Linux to extract the firmware images.



I compared the files, they are identical which indicated that I should explore only one of the files.

I used a tool called "ranger" to view the extracted files.

I found the default configuration for the camera

# Public key for updating the firmware

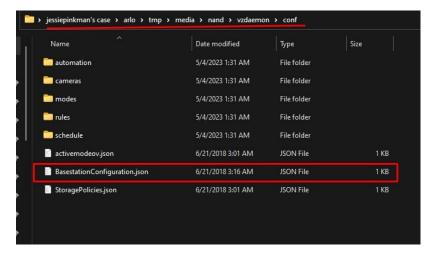


# Signing certificates



# 1.3 arlo pro camera

There are multiple JSON files in the folder of the camera. I used VS code and a web browser to see their contents. I found the base configuration of the camera in VZSAEMON/conf



Conf file opened in Visual Studio code.

```
DEFINITION SINDHAME

OF INTERIOR SINDHAME

O
```

I found 3 JSON files called "mode..". These are the modes the camera can be set in. Depending on the mode it will act differently.

#### Mode 0 - DISARMED

```
C: > Users > MSI > Desktop > jessiepinkman's case > arlo > tmp > media > nand > vzdaemon > conf > modes > {} mode0.json > ...

1 {"name":"","id":"mode0","type":"disarmed","rules":[],"objVersion":"1.0","fromAutomationconv":true}

2
```

#### Mode 1- ARMED

```
C: > Users > MSI > Desktop > jessiepinkman's case > arlo > tmp > media > nand > vzdaemon > conf > modes > {} mode1.json > ...

1 {"name":"","id":"mode1","type":"armed","rules":["r_mode1_59U17B7BB8B46"],"objVersion":"1.0","fromAutomationconv":true}

2
```

## **Mode 2 - ALWAYS**

```
C: > Users > MSI > Desktop > jessiepinkman's case > arlo > tmp > media > nand > vzdaemon > conf > modes > {} mode2_json > ...

1 {"name": "Always", "id": "mode2", "rules": ["r_mode2_59U17B7BB8B46"], "objVersion": "1.0", "fromAutomationconv": true}

2
C: > Users > MSI > Desktop > jessiepinkman's case > arlo > tmp > media > nand > vzdaemon > conf > modes > {} mode1_json > ...

1 {"name": "", "id": "mode1", "type": "armed", "rules": ["r_mode1_59U17B7BB8B46"], "objVersion": "1.0", "fromAutomationconv": true}

2
```

These modes operate under 2 rules that I found.

## Rule - mode1\_59U17B7BB8B46

## Rule - r\_mode2\_59U17B7BB8B46

```
C: > Users > MSI > Desktop > [essiepinkman's case > arlo > tmp > media > nand > vzdaemon > conf > rules > {1 r_mode2_59U17B7B8B846[son > \equiv id

1 {"id":"_mode2_59U17B7B8B846", "name":"", "protected":false, "objVersion":"1.0", "triggers":[{"type":"audioAmplitude",

2 "deviceId":"59U17B7B8B846", "sensitivity":3}, {"type":"pirMotionActive", "deviceId":"59U17B7B8B846", "sensitivity":80}], "actions":[{"deviceId":"59U17B7BB8B46",

3 "type":"recordVideo", "stopCondition":{"type":"triggerEndDetected", "deviceId":"59U17B7BB8B46"}}, {"type":"pushNotification"}], "fromAutomationconv":true}

4
```

I also found a schedule for the camera with time indicators in arlo\tmp\media\nand\vzdaemon\conf\schedule

```
C: > Users > MSI > Desktop > jessiepinkman's case > and > tmp > media > nand > vzdaemon > conf > schedule > {} schedule > {} 10

1 {"active":false, "schedule":[("modeId":"mode0", "startTime":0], ("modeId":"mode1", "startTime":28800000), ("modeId":"mode0",

2 "startTime":61200000), ("modeId":"mode1", "startTime":1152000000), ("modeId":"mode0", "startTime":147600000), ("modeId":"mode1", "startTime":23000000),

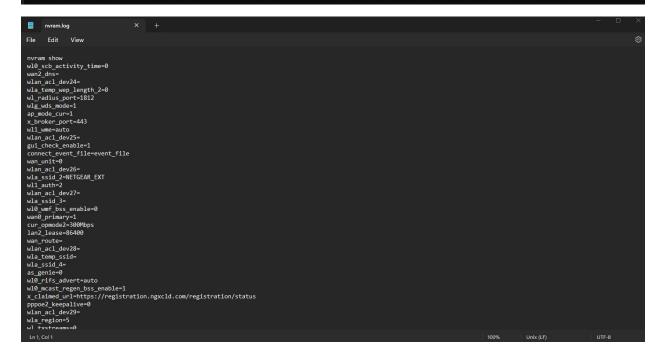
3 ("modeId":"mode0", "startTime":324000000), ("modeId":"mode1", "startTime":320400000), ("modeId":"mode0", "startTime":320400000),

4 ("modeId":"mode0", "startTime":406800000)], "objVersion":"2.0")

5
```

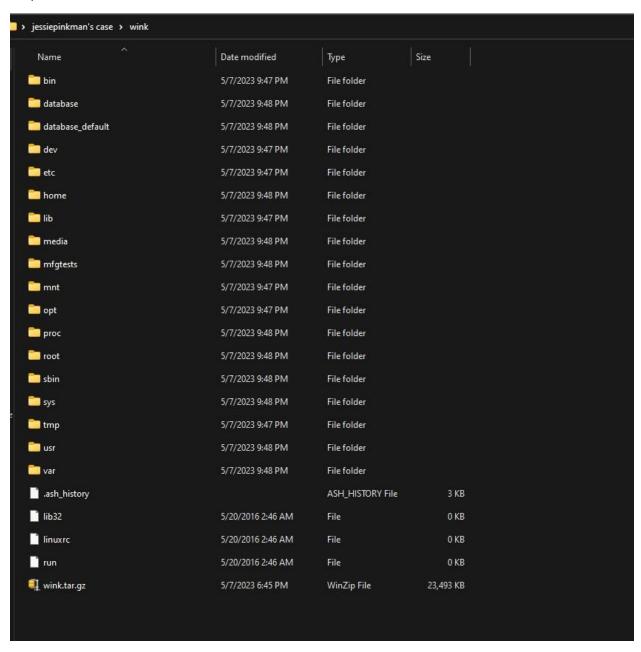
I had access to the "nvram" log files of the camera as well. Log parser 2.2 was used to view them but they didn't contain information that I could use.

C:\Program Files (x86)\Log Parser 2.2>"C:\Users\MSI\Desktop\jessiepinkman's case\arlo\nvram.log"

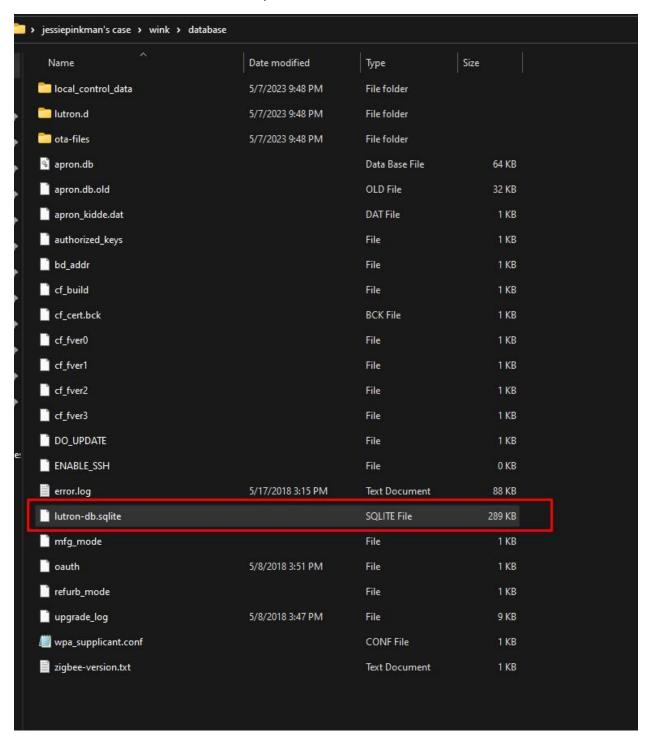


## 1.4 WinkHub

I explored the files of the wink folder.



I didn't find much useful information except for a database file called Lutron.db



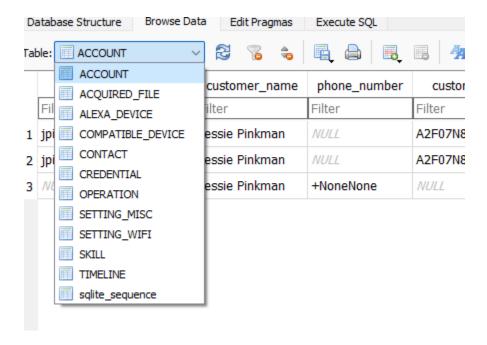
I opened it with DB browser (SQlite) and got an Ip address of the lutron bridge.



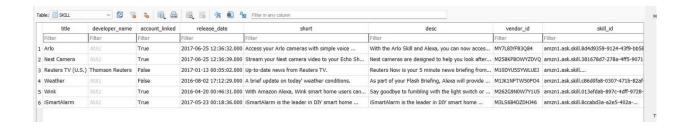
I already had pictures of the bridge taken by Jessie Pinkman's phone and now I got the IP.

## 1.5 Amazon Echo

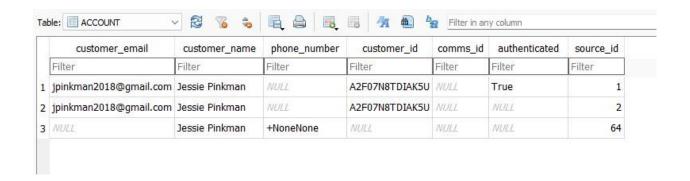
The database file contains a lot of useful information. Jessie Pinkman used the amazon echo to control the other IoT devices in the drug lab. I opened the db file with DB browser for SQlite. There are 12 tables in the database and each one gives us clues for completing the investigation.



**SKILL** table gives us information about the IoT setup of the drug lab. Every device connected to the amazon echo is listed in this table. I can see all the devices I have investigated in there (Arlo camera, Ismart alarm system, Nest camera, Wink hub). If someone with malicious intentions wants to infiltrate the drug lab, his best option is to gain access over the amazon echo since it controls all the other devices.



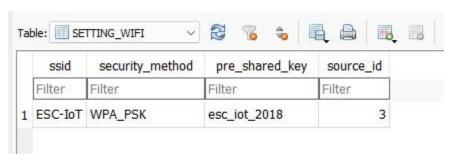
**Account** table gave me information about the users connected to the amazon echo. This table showed me that Jessie Pinkman is the only user who controls the amazon echo.



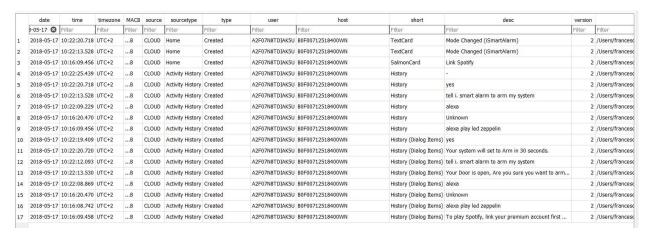
# **ALEXA\_DEVICE** table contains information about the amazon echo itself.



# WIFI settings



**TIMELINE** table if very important to the investigation because it gives information about actions that happened in the lab. These actions were taken by J. Pinkman since he is the only user of the amazon echo. I filtered the date to show me only actions that happened on the day of the raid (17.05.2018). There were traces of every day activity – Linking to Spotify , playing led zeppelin. J. Pinkman appears to be the only one using the amazon echo because there aren't any traces of D Pandama and S Varga recorded in its database. There were also events of arming and disarming the alarm.

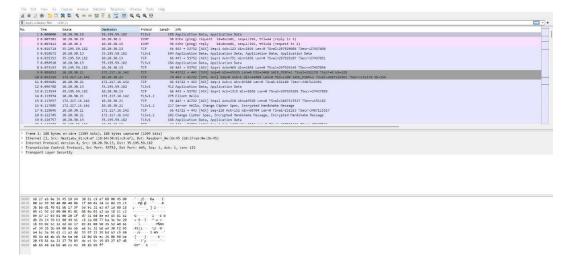


The alarm was armed at 10:22 which suggests that Jessie Pinkman left the lab at that time. The action below the marker says that J. Pinkman had 30 seconds to leave the lab before the systems were armed.

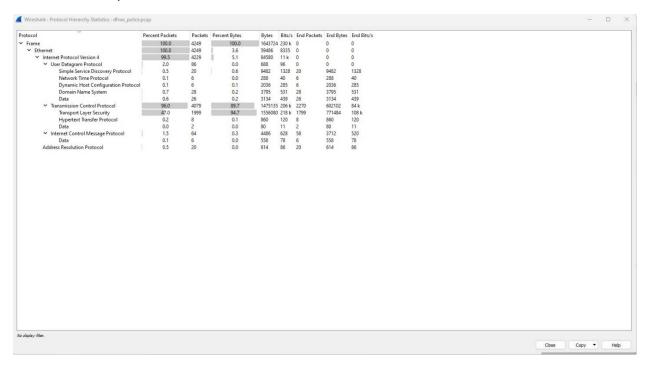


#### 1.6 Police network traffic extraction

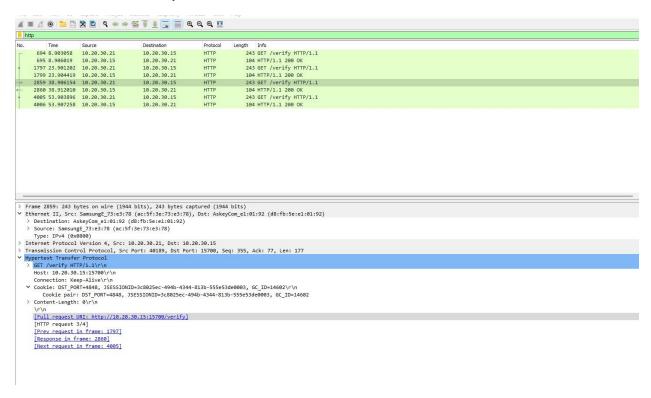
I used Wireshark as my network analyzer to view the network traffic that the police have retrieved from the drug lab. Below is a screenshot of the pcap file opened in wireshark.



## Protocol hierarchy

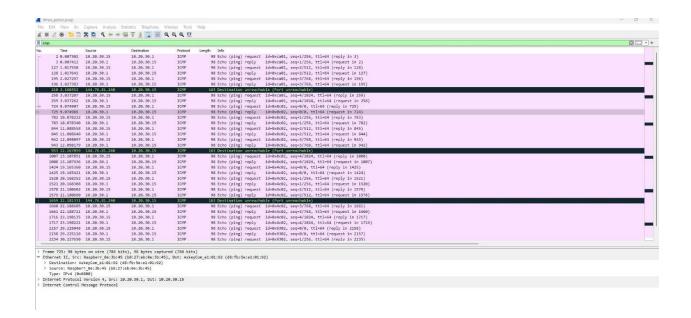


I wanted to see the non-encrypted traffic, so I filtered with "http" parameter and found an interesting communication with the QBEE camera.



I figured out this device was the qbee camera because I could see the manufacturer which is AskeyCom. It was sending packets containing the session ID and the cookie in plain text. This is a serious security vulnerability that can lead to session hijacking.

I filtered Wireshark to show me the ICMP traffic and I found something bizarre. The Qbee camera was trying to communicate to the raspberry pi in the lab but without success. It was sending multiple ping requests, but the Destination was unreachable.



# 2.0 Answering questions.

At what time was the illegal drug lab raided?

Time of raid 10:37:52

Amazon echo recorded the last "arming" of the alarm at 10:22 on the day of the raid and Ismart alarm recorded a "disarm" by D Pandana at 10:37:52. I concluded that with the help of epoch converter to show me the time taken from the ISmartAlarm database.

date	action	IPUID	logType	sensorName	operator	sensorType	sensorID	userID	profileid	profileName
Filter	Filter	Filter	Filter	Filter	Filter	Filter	Filter	Filter	Filter	Filter
1526546272		004D3209D9E4	2		pandadodu				2	DISARM
1526546071		004D3209D9E4	2		pandadodu				2	DISARM

The current Unix epoch time is 1683643689

# Convert epoch to human-readable date and vice versa

1526546272 Timestamp to Human date [batch convert]

Supports Unix timestamps in seconds, milliseconds, microseconds and nanoseconds.

Assuming that this timestamp is in seconds:

GMT: Thursday, 17 May 2018 8:37:52

Your time zone: четвъртък, 17 май 2018 10:37:52 GMT+02:00 DST

Relative: 5 years ago

Could any of the two friends of Jessie Pinkman have been involved in the raid?

If YES:

- Which friend?

**D Pandana** - he was the last person to disarm the Ismart alarm right before the raid happened.

- What is the confidence in such hypothesis?

While we cant confirm with 100% confidence that D Pandana was the friend involved in the raid, he was the last person to disarm the alarm system right before it happened. There is a slight possibility that he might have given his remote tag for the alarm to someone.

My verdict:

80% - D Pandana was involved directly.

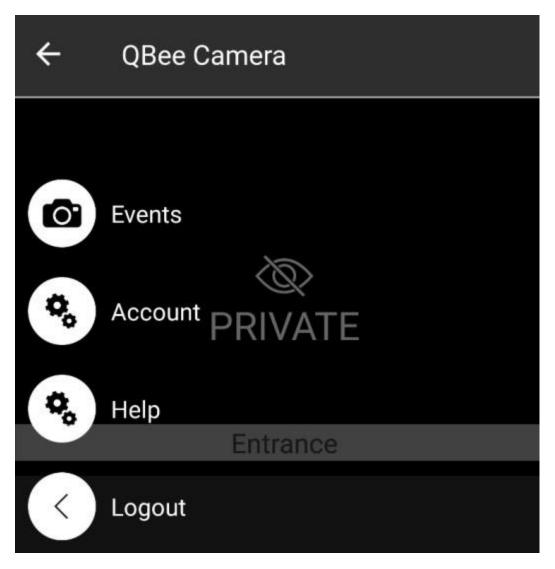
20%- D Pandana was involved indirectly.

How was the QBee camera disabled?

In the network traffic I found that the qbee camera was sending important information (session id, cookies) in plain text. Anyone that's on the same network can intercept these packets and hijack the session of the camera, giving him control over it. I found the corresponding CVE of the camera on the internet.

https://blog.francescoservida.ch/2018/09/16/cve-2018-16225-public-disclosure-qbee-camera-vulnerability/

A big clue that makes me think a hacker used this vulnerability is that I found a picture(recent/images) in J Pinkman's phone of the Qbee camera in "private" mode. This is the strongest clue that tells me how the camera was disabled.



# **Timeline**

I have compiled the most useful information using Device and Cloud level analysis about the raid in a timeline. This is the timeline for the day, the raid happened.

2018-05-17 at 10:22:22 iSmartAlarm alarm mode is changed into ARM by J. Pinkman

2018-05-17 at 10:22:23 The Boss change be out home.

2018-05-17 at10:22:30 iSmartAlarm alarm mode is changed into DISARM by The Boss

2018-05-17 at 10:34:15 Door is closed.

2018-05-17 at 10:34:17 iSmartAlarm alarm mode is changed into HOME by The Boss

2018-05-17 at 10:34:31 iSmartAlarm alarm mode is changed into DISARM by pandadodu.

2018-05-17 at 10:34:36 Door is open, all the sirens went off.

2018-05-17 at 10:36:06 Kitchen Nest Protect smoke detector detected smoke.

2018-05-17 at10:37:52 iSmartAlarm alarm mode is changed into DISARM by pandadodu.

From the timeline we can conclude that J Pinkman was not in the lab when it was opened by D Pandama (pandadodu). The alarm was disabled by him and shortly after the smoke detector went off because of the fire set in the lab. From this we can conclude that D Pandama was involved in the raid.

# **Approach**

My first objective was to open every single image file. There were different types of files that could be opened only with specific tools. I started with the biggest file in size – Jessie Pinkman's phone because it was the largest source of information judging by its size. I tried opening it with volatility because it was recommended by my teachers but unfortunately that didn't work. The app was crashing as soon as I started it. I looked for a program that can substitute volatility in google and found autopsy 4.2.0. Once I opened the Samsung image I tried opening the Ismart alarm images. I could do it Windows, so I tried it in Linux. I used binwalk to extract the archived files and then used ranger to be able to browse trough the contents of the folders. The database files were very easy to open and examine since I only had to view them with DB Browser (SQLite). After I gathered enough information from all sources I started piecing it together. There were a lot of screenshots and pictures in the Samsung dump that helped me understand the layout of the security systems in the drug lab. In the end the databases from wink hub and amazon echo were the biggest clues since they give information who opened the lab and when.