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## ABSTRACT

Internet security (Network security) is a big topic that is very important in our society communication system, but it is extremely dynamic and wide in scope. This is the reason that many companies and organizations invest heavily in a dedicated infrastructure security and highly trained specialists.

The aim of security monitoring and preventing the network from cyber threats requires vigilance over the network equipment. The case study of this thesis is to provide the possible solution to the problems encountered by the namely network users such as: Internet Game Center (Centrum Halmstad, Sweden) and, the Blueville Internet Cafe (Ede, Nigeria).

Our research and information collected over the telephone and a visit at the nearest office. We concluded that both companies mentioned above experienced similar cyber threats. The two companies have internal and external threats such as accessing the network via ssh by using it brute force attack, network war-driver, the installation of spyware, password sniffer, viruses, SQL injection and PHP attacks (web attacks) on the networks. The cyber threats virus and spyware are among the big internet threat to users, organization and companies.

We carry out experiments in the lab to tests for threats such as brute force (ssh) attack, password sniffer and war-driver in the Wireless environment. From the results, we are able to the select WPA2 using 802.1x as the best possible way to limit and reduce the strength of cyber-attacks, and as a suggested solution to the namely café problems in our report. We also list different suggestion and solution to the cyber café attacks from our research papers and information gathers from different sources such as library, internet, seminar and textbooks.

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

If your computer seems to be having issues or problems that you cannot figure out, there are major chances that a virus, spyware or brute force attacker is to blame. Today's IT organizations need a dynamic approach to prevent and protect the network. They use methods such as awareness and automation to provide visibility context while constantly adapting to new threats such as vulnerabilities and every day network problems [2], [32]. "The risk of cyber warfare has been one of the most serious concerns in the field of information security technology for several years now," said Eugene Kaspersky, CEO and Co-founder of Kaspersky Lab. "The Stuxnet and Duqu belonged to a single chain of attacks, which raised a cyber-war-related concern worldwide".

The cybercafé threats require a constant security monitor of computer infrastructure. The monitoring system against threats is very important in today's global communication. The security monitors deliver real-time service and improves the performance of the infrastructure (equipment) by actively analyzing the logs and message alerts [1], [2].

The fig.12 shows the example of an Internet cafe or a game centre with different department within an organization. These diagrams indicate threats such as internal, external attack target available data on the network. The fig.12 topology is open to many threats and it was due to the weakness of the network security. The prototype and experiments carried out on the available equipment's (wireless network) at the Halmstad University Cisco lab to test for brute force (ssh), war-drive attack, and password sniffer in a specific network topology. We also create specific scenarios to mitigate or limit the network problems.

Although recently there has been a great focus of attention over the problems of cyber, café threats such as SQL injection, PHP, brute force, vulnerabilities and war-drive. Many proposed solutions failed to address the full scope of the problem. To address the problems mention during our investigation, we also present a comprehensive survey of different type of threat attacks know to date. To summarize the survey, we used information gathered from various sources such as papers, website, mailing lists, interviews, and expert in the area. For examples, each attack is considered with their functions such as characteristic of the attack, illustrate its effect, a provide examples of how the attacker carried out its activities and behaviours. We get to know that the end-users such as the internet café owners, clients are often unaware of the myriad of different techniques that can use to compromise their network by cyber attackers. Therefore, most of the solutions proposed detect and prevent only a subset of the possible threats [37], [41], and [45].

## **1.1 GOALS**

The main goal and objective of this thesis are:

- i. Create and design a wireless network scenario in the lab to match the problems experienced in an internet café.
- ii. The configuration of different security solution such as WEP, WPA/WPA2 and WPA2 using 802.1x.
- iii. Introduction of hacking software (open source) such as Backtrack5 to act as our attacker over our design wireless network in the scenario, to test for security strengthened.
- iv. We run a test for following threats Brute force (ssh), Password attack, and Network war-driver for a wireless network.
- v. Suggest a solution from our experiments to reduce cyber threats such as War-driver attack, Brute force (ssh) attack, and Password attack.
- vi. In the conclusion, suggest the best method for the cafes to reduce tested attacks according to the result of the experiments.

## 2. RELATED WORKS

## 2.1 NETWORK TROUBLESHOOTING

## 2.1.1 TROUBLESHOOTING WIRELESS LAN TO IMPROVE INTERNET SECURITY

The IEEE 802.11-based network also called WI-FI networks are expanding into mainstream areas of business from their traditional applications in warehouses for the retails floors. As a result, it is important to have the necessary tools to troubleshoot and protect networks. Network security has come a long way since the early days and the negative around the shortcomings of WEP. To have an effective network security one must address in most three critical areas such as:

- i. Data integrity and authorization.
- ii. Authentication and access control.
- iii. Intrusion detection and prevention system.

Today's WLAN system is incorporated WPA/WPA2 with AES encryption in conjunction with 802.1x authentication. It can provide a level of security for WLANs that can exceed the security of a wired LAN. There are several modes of WI-FI configurations such as visibility all devices, RF channels. The protocol types in the various modes in critical for quick problem resolution. For example, it is important that ad-hocpeer-to-peer network such as: bridged, switched, and mesh infrastructure networks can all be analyze by device category interface or switch port using a single device. At the same time, the wireless intrusion detection and prevention systems are becoming more capable and easier to manage. Even if you do not have a WLAN in place or you do not have a wireless security solution in place, you are vulnerable to malicious attacks [23], [25], and [41].

## 2.1.2 NETWORK ARCHITECTURES

The Ad-hoc network consists of client devices that transmit directly with one another in a peer-to-peer workstation. The Ad-hoc networks can pose a threat on the network, if an unauthorized client should automatically associate with a legitimate client with vital or sensitive data. Hackers break in the client connection to gain access to wired network resources [8], [21], use the Ad-hoc.

The wireless infrastructures consist of access points (APs) which are connect directly to the wired network or to the wireless switch devices. They provide the RF environment that client devices use for configuration. It can also create point-to-point communications for bridging networks between two buildings such as across a parking lot. A mesh is another important network infrastructure that comprises of APs that communicate with one another using wireless routing protocols. A Mesh network enables communications with the wired network through a minimal number of access points that are connect to the wired network. A Mesh network also often considered in order to provide flexibility in access point placement and to reduce the cost and complexity of running cable from the wiring closet to each AP [2], [8], [29].

#### 2.1.3 NETWORK SECURITY POLICY

It is important that organizations develop, educate, and enforce an enterprise-wide WLAN security policy. The aim of the security policy should address a framework for the development such as installation, protection, management, and usage procedures. A WLAN security policy must be flexible in terms of the component and technologies it can support. The main challenge for the IT organization is to develop advanced security that will support end-user requirements. The WLAN security must integrate with the organizations wired network security policy to ensure proper management and protection across the network branches. On the other hand, WLANs proposed unique security challenges; security is still dependent on controlling who has access to specific information. The proper documentation and management will helps to understand specific WLAN vulnerabilities. It also deploys a suite of tools to minimize their enables organization and cooperate to enjoy following functions such as the mobility and productivity benefits of WLANs without putting valuable information data in a risk.

An effective WLAN security policy should:

- i. Identify who may use WLAN technology and what type of access required implementing.
- ii. Describe who can install access points and other wireless infrastructure equipment.
- iii. It describes the type of information that can or cannot be sending over internet link. (Denied any form of illegal or strange activities of over the specific network).
- iv. It reduces the number of staff that can have access to the network database.
- v. Describe the hardware and software component and configuration for any access device.
- vi. Provide guidelines on reporting losses of the network devices and security incidents.
- vii. Define the frequency and scope of security assessments, audits and report generation [15], [17], [27], [31], [38].

## **2.2 BACKTRACK5**

Backtrack5 is a distribution based on the Debian GNU/Linux operating system specifically designed for the network security consultant. The aim is to help the network security personnel to evaluate network hacker behaviour. This Linux based operating system combine with a number of security programs, these security tools not only can be used to crack WEP, WPA/WPA2 encrypted wireless network, but also combined with several weakness scanning tools, such as Nessus, osmotic platform MSF, Sniff tools Wireshark, VOIP testing tools, etc... The latest version of the Backtrack5 operating system can be installing on the 32 bit and 64 bit computers. The backtrack5 has several ways to install, such as flash installation, boot-up based on CD-ROM, or install IOS file into a VMware virtual machine and these ways to install backtrack 5 will not have any effect on local hard disk [35], [36], [42].

## **2.2.1 FUNCTION OF BACKTRACK5**

#### i. Information Gathering

The information gathering generally is the first step for the network security consultant or network Hacker to collect data from a specific target. Information gathering is the most significant phase because the hacker uses this information to achieve their goal and purpose. The Backtrack5 has a list of information gathered tools that help hacker for gathering sensitive information from the network. The Airodump-ng command, the Hacker can use this command to discover and determine what information that they're needed, a malicious person can use this command to specific BSSID (Basic Service Set Identifier) as known as the Access Point's MAC address, the power's frequency, transmission channel, and the encryption algorithm, etc. [35], [42].

#### ii. Vulnerability Assessment and Exploitation

The vulnerability Assessment is a WEB Server security-scanning tool that can be very useful where the security consultant and a network attacker can scan and spoof loopholes. It makes use of bugs inside the computer networks. After the information gathering from interest target, the vulnerability assessment can be easy to determine the weakest parts that can attack. For example, during the information gathering stage, the CMS scanner tools like a blind elephant can find what version of applications installed in the computer. Therefore, the scanner tool like joomscan will show the vulnerability on the particular site. The SQLMAP is another useful tool used as the vulnerability; the tool can use to evaluate each website exists in the loopholes.

#### iii. Privilege Escalation

The privilege escalation is an example of intrusion attacks, which require the attackers to exploiting bugs, loopholes, configuration oversight inside the operating system to gain access to sensitive data, which is secure by the administrators or users. The application developer or system administrator can carry out this type of attack. The privilege escalation defined some specific rules for users, the rules are not allowing the user to access private information, delete files, or install malicious software. If the attacker discovery bugs and loopholes these give them, the opportunity to bypass the security measure and perform risk actions.

#### iv. Maintaining Access

Once the attacker successfully gains access to the victim's system, the attacker can scan and spoof sensitive resources from the system. For an instance, the attacker can use sniffer tools for scanning network traffic to Telnet to the other system; furthermore, they will install Trojan at the kernel level to gain super user access. The attacker can use a Trojan horse to transfer much information, like username, password, credit card number, but also the Trojan will hide them in the local system and consume the CPU cycles.

#### v. Reverse Engineering and Stress Testing

The reverse engineering acts as a platform for attackers to install various malicious programs onto the victim system thereby extracting victim's information. It also supports features to make it and the installed malicious programs impossible to detect, remove, and set up some stealthy, undetectable loopholes to deliver malicious software to the victim computers. Stress testing is extremely helpful, when network security consultant or attacker try to test many aspects of the network. While they want to perform the stress testing, typically thinking to stress testing a web application, while the data packets touch to your own network that to make sure there is not loopholes between the firewall and web server Backtrack5 provides a list of applications that support stress testing capabilities, such as the "siege"[28], [36], [36], [42].

## 3. BACKGROUND

## **3.1 NETWORK ATTACKS (INTERNET CYBER-ATTACKS)**

If the security measures and controls are not properly, an unauthorized user might interrupt implemented, valuable information. There are different types of attacks; some are passive [6], [39] (monitoring of information) and active (data are targeted with intent to corrupt or destroy the database). The following is network attacks:

## **3.1.1 EAVESDROPPING**

The fig.1 is an example of topology network that represent an eavesdropping situation, when communications occur in an unprotected or clear text format, which allows man-in-middle to gain a read/write access to the packets in the network's database. A network experience eavesdrops when communications are sniffing or snooping. The ability of an attacker to monitor the network is a big challenge toward the security problems the network administrators are facing in an enterprise e.g. and, thrill seeker and casual War-drivers are set of attackers those with laptops roaming around looking to network to hop onto. They often do not do damage as they are motivated by the thrill and ease of gaining access to open and free networks which they map and share with friends and pals. Without proper management and strong authentication services that based on integrity, cryptography, and the information can read and rewritten by unwanted users [39].

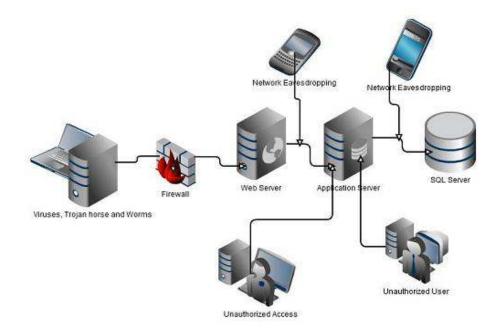


Fig 1: Eavesdropping

#### **3.1.2 DATA MODIFICATION**

The attacker makes use of sophisticated software to collect data and break the security of a network. For example, the fig.2 below shows how an attacker (MTM connection) sends a fake message in order to comprise the client network (victim) and pretend like a legal ISP provider. The United States FBI sometimes refers to the man-in-the-middle or hacker as criminals because they are involved in various crimes via the internet such as exploitation of valuable information, stealing of documents and accessing databases illegally. The threats to any network arise from both external and internal entities such as unauthorized users (hackers), virus attacks and ignorance of others. All the exploits data have modified and rewritten or read by attack without the knowledge of the legitimate owner. For example, a victim is a person that unauthorized users [6], [39], exploit his or her computer information.

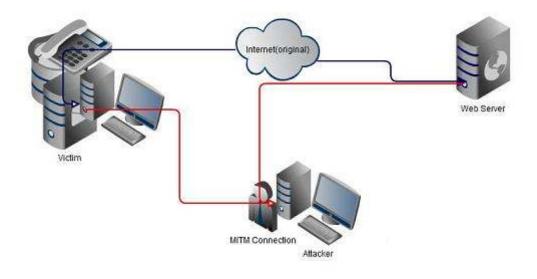


Fig 2: Data Modification

### **3.1.3 IDENTIFY SPOOFING (IP ADDRESS SPOOFING)**

The network equipment with an operating system uses the IP address of a computer to identify a valid address. From the fig.3 below, it is possible for an IP address of a client to modify by an attacker in order to able to read and write their information. An attacker might also use a special application to manipulate IP packets that appear to originate from valid addresses inside the corporate internet. It is easier for an attacker after having access to the network as a result from modifying valid IP address, rewrite, or delete the information [10], [39]. For example, the fig.3 show how evil is an ssh attacker with a reddish devil hearth. There way is always evil with the aim of exploiting the innocent client valuable information.

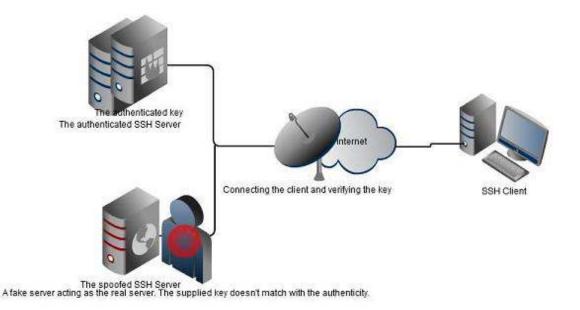
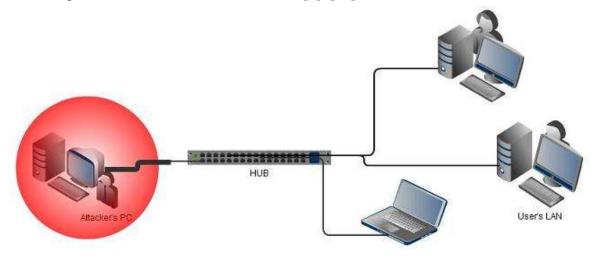


Fig 3: Identify Spoofing

#### **3.1.4 SNIFFER ATTACK**

A sniffer attacker uses an application or device to read, rewrite, monitor, and capture network information exchanges during transmission of packets. If the packet is not well encrypting, the sniffer gains a full view of the data inside the packet. Even encapsulated packets are compromise and read by an attacker unless encrypted, and the attacker does not have access to the key. It analyses the network and gain information to eventually cause the network to crash or become corrupted and also read the IP packet sent over the communication [6], [39].



#### Fig 4: Sniffing

A typical example of sniffer attack is the fig.4 diagram, shows how an attack carried out their operations a network environment. The attacker use special application program sniff the client network by injecting or capture network address. It reads and compromise client address in order to exploit their valuable information.

#### **3.1.5 APPLICATION-LAYER ATTACK**

An application-layer attacker targets application servers by using a special technology to crack a server's operating system or password. This gives war-driver attacks to gain the ability to bypass access controls of a specific network. The attacker takes an advantage of this situation such as controlling the application, system, and network. The fig. 5 below executes the following tasks such as:

- i. Implement a virus program that uses software applications to launch viruses over the network.
- ii. Introduce a sniffer program to capture the network information, that eventually be used as a cracking tool or to corrupt the network.
- iii. Abnormally terminate of the applications and operating systems.

iv. It disables the security component of the network to enable him to have future control and access over the network [6], [10], and [39].

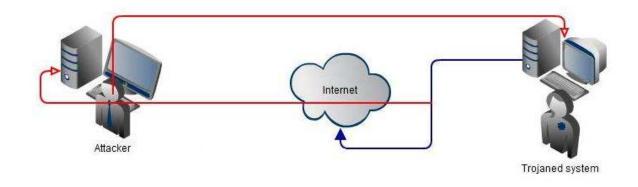


Fig 5: Application-Layer-Attack

#### 3.1.6 PASSWORD-BASED ATTACKS

This is a situation whereby an attacker compromises a valid account from original users and, the attacker pretends as the legitimate owner of the account to enable him/her, perform the same right as the real user. Therefore, both the legitimate and attacker has the same right. For example, if the user has administrative rights, the hackers also create accounts for subsequent access at a time. The manin-the-middle can perform the following tasks:

- i. Password calculator software was one of method required for brute force attack.
- ii. To modify IP addresses and network configurations, including access controls, MAC address and routing tables.
- iii. To modify, rewrite, or delete valuable information [10], [39].

#### **3.1.7 COMPROMISED-KEY THREATS**

A key is a unique code or number necessary to interpret secured data. To obtain a key is a difficult process and resource-intensive for an attacker, but with the help of brute technique. For example, fig. 6 below shows how it is possible for the hacker to compromise network address, after the attacker has access to the code, and these codes referred to as a compromised key. It used the compromised tool key to gain access to a protected data during communication without the awareness of the sender and receiver. With the compromised technique, the attacker can decrypt and modify the database and,

to use the compromised tool key to compute additional keys. This kind of threats allows the unwanted users or friends of attacker gain access to other secured networks [6], [39].

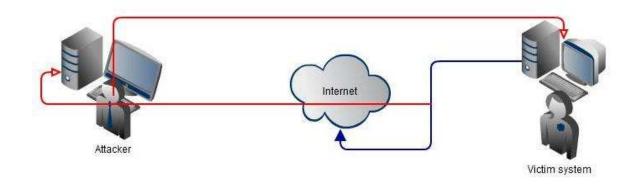


Fig 6: Compromised-Key-Attack

## 3.1.8 DENIAL-OF-SERVICE ATTACK (DOS)

Unlike a password-based attack, the denial-of-service attack prevents normal use of the computer valid accounts and, it performs the following functions:

- i. It randomizes the attention of the administrative staff so that they do not acknowledge the threat immediately, which allows the attacker successively carry out the attacks during the diversion.
- ii. It also sends invalid applications or network services and, which causes the vulnerabilities behaviours of the applications.
- iii. It floods the entire computer network with packets until a shutdown occurs because of (due to) the overload.
- It blocks traffic, because of loss of access to network resources by authorized users [6], [10], [39].

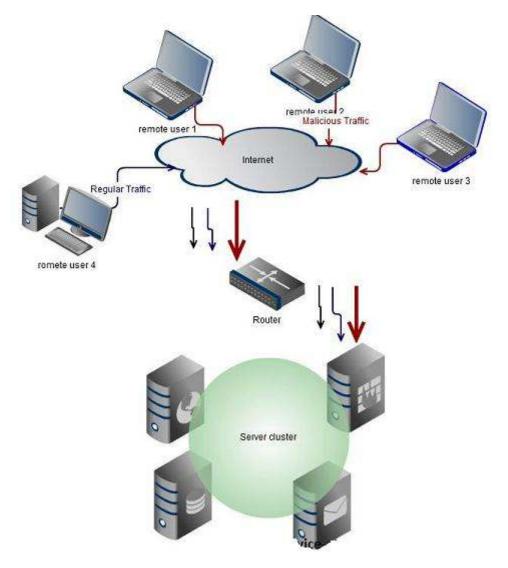


Fig 7: Denial-of-Service Attack

From the fig.7, a denial of service attack is special among all other threats that attack large websites on the internet. Denial of service hack the system that designed to bring the network to compromises stage by flooding it with unnecessary packet. The denial of service can experienced when a system such as a web server and database, has been flooded with illegitimate requests, thus making it impossible to respond to real tasks. For example, Yahoo!, MSN, Facebook, and EBay were both victims of such cyber threats. The function of DOS attacks is the following:

- i. Slow network performance.
- ii. Restriction of client's right to access any website.
- iii. A dramatic increase in spam receives in the email account [6], [39].

## 3.1.8.1DIFFERENT TYPE OF DENIAL OF SERVICE (DOS) ATTACKS i. BUFFER OVERFLOW ATTACKS

The major job of DoS attacks is to send more packets to a network address than the normal expectation of the size of the buffer. The fig.8 shows how buffer attack operates during communication. This is a situation that, an internet user seeks to gain partial or total control of a special network host. It dominates in the area of the remote network in order to insert excessive data into buffers found in computer programs to penetrate computer systems [46].

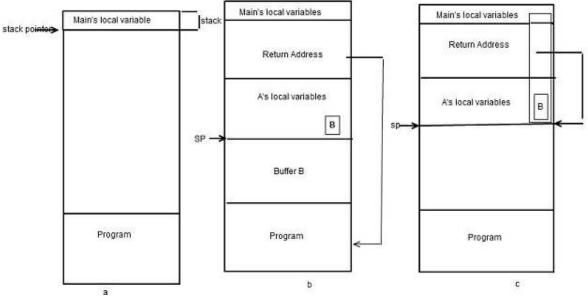


Fig 8: Buffer Overflows Attack

- a. A situation when the main program is running.
- b. After program, A is call.

c. Buffer overflows shown in from A's local variable to reach man is a local variable.

The program a, b and c shows in fig.8 is an example of user interaction. It is bad programming designed that gives hacker an opportunity to bypass or corrupt control information in order to compromise the security of a system. For example, the man-in-middle has the opportunity to bypass authentication by insert arbitrary code to remove files inside program codes [46].

## ii. SMURF ATTACKS

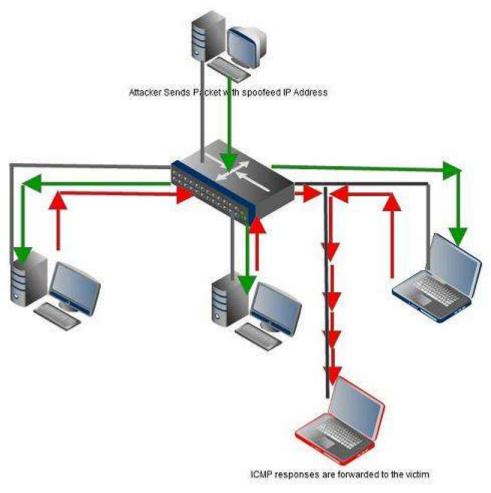
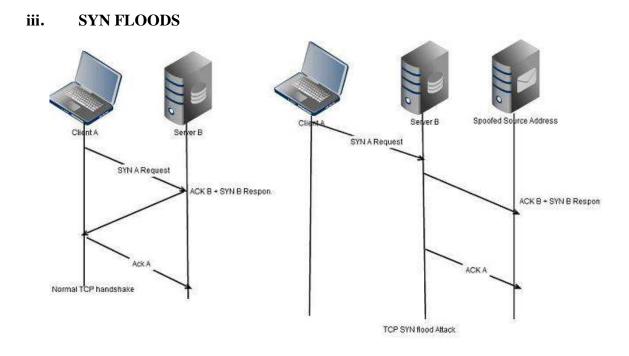


Fig 9: Smurf Attack

In this type of attack display above in the fig.9, the perpetrator or hacker sends an IP ping request to a receiving web site or web page in order to collect details packets. The ping packet specifies that, it broadcast to a number of hosts within the receiving site's local network. The traffic also acknowledges that the request is from another web site, which is the target site that aimed by the intruder to receive the DoS attack. Because of this threat, many ping replies flooding back to the innocent client, spoofed host. For example, if the flood is large enough, the affected host will no longer be able to receive or distinguish real traffic from fake traffic.



#### Fig 10: SYN Floods

When a computer (fig.10) is making a TCP/IP connection to another computer system, the exchange of a TCP/SYN and TCP/ACK packet occurs when a computer system request for the communication. It is usually the client's computer that sends a TCP/SYN packet that makes requests from the server if it can connect. If the server is ready, then it sends a TCP/SYN-ACK packet back to the client to tell, "Yes you may connect." It reserves a space for the connection that waiting for the client to respond with a TCP/ACK packet. In a SYN flood, the address of the client often forged so that when the server sends a TCP/SYN-ACK packet back to the client. The message never received from the client because either the client does not exist or because it does not expect any packet therefore, it subsequently ignores it. This leaves the server with a dead connection and reserve for a client that will never reply. Usually this kind of attack is done with server many times in order to reserve all the connections for unresolved clients, which keeps real clients from having connections [6], [10] [23], [39].

#### **3.1.9 MALWARE ATTACK**

A malware is the so-called malicious software that can cause damage to home, office, and business computer systems. A cyber attacker's intention to always to able to have full control over client's private information such as credit cards, name, email address, social security numbers in order to steal people's identity or money. For example, a malware is a Tsunami Trojan. The Tsunami Trojan has effect mostly on the window such as Mac is UNIX and derives a platform that can increase a user base follows prospect of vulnerabilities exploit [39].

#### **3.1.10 SOCIAL ENGINEERING**

Social engineering is the use of deception to gain access to information database as shown in fig. 11 below. The method such as telephone, e-mail message and spam logs. The man-in-middle usually pretends to be a real owner or a director in the company such as travelling agent, business organization with a deadline to get some valuable data left on their network drive. They make inquiries from the help desk to give them the toll-free number of the RAS server to compromise and sometimes get their password reset. The main target of the social engineering attack is to place the human element in the network-breaching loop and use it as a weapon. The human elements refer to as the weakest technique in the global network security [10].

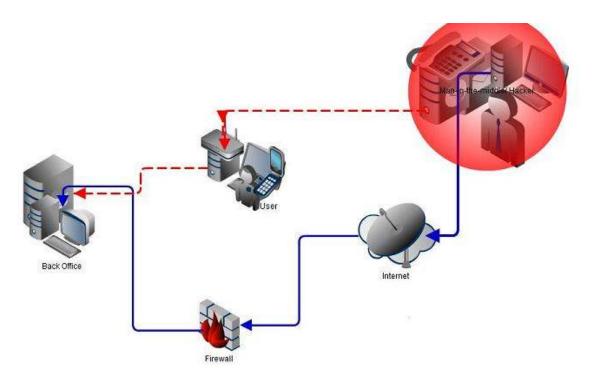


Fig 11: Social Engineering

#### **3.1.10.1 FUNCTION OF SOCIAL ENGINEERING**

- i. Fake Email: This is the act of sending messages to one or more users in a domain in order to gain access to their IP address or data. For example, social attacker acts like this "this is the system administrator on windows and I want to tell you that your password must be reset to user 2000" for a temporary period. The hacker then continuously monitors for the change and then exploits the whole information system from the victim system.
- ii. Fictitious Competition: The social attacker manipulates a group of client device to participate in some fake transaction and competition such as jackpot prize and, with the purpose of eventually extracting their confidential data over the network or to compromise password security.

iii. The Help Desk: The help desk gets a call or message from the hacker impersonating a user reporting a forgotten password. In many situations with the vital detail provided by attacker the help desk, believe its real users. The help desk changes the user's password over the phone as requested by social engineer. The hacker now has a legitimate username and password to work with. In order to avoid problems from the original user, the social engineer call the user who was impersonated and say something like "this is Paulson from MIS department" and, said we had some problems with the security database today. We are to inform you that your password has changed, and the new suggest password is "Kärlek200" [6], [10], [39]. Fig.11 above is a typical topology that shows mode of operation of a social engineering attack.

#### **3.1.11 SQL AND PHP ATTACKS**

A gallery designed with range of attraction to inviting potential users and customers to come into a personal site exhibition such as holiday photos. Then after the hard work put together to make the site look admire to the users, the funniest thing you experience is that someone in hiding places such as hacker to come along and, perform a PHP attack and break it. There are various numbers of problems in web attack, and unfortunately, not all of them have definite solutions. The Intrusion prevention detection system being implemented on the network to fight again threats such as a PHP and SQL attack can be mitigated and reduced [10], [45]. A client is able to execute SQL queries on the web pages' database. A hacker such as usually performs this common web threat: entering text into a form field which causes a subsequent SOL query and generated from the PHP form processing code. The effects of this attack range from the harmless (hacker use SELECT command to pull another data set) to the devastating (also make use of DELETE) and data could be changed, modify or new information can be added. The SQL injection attack has described as the most dangerous and serious cyber threats for web applications. A web application that is weak and vulnerable to SQL injection may allow manin-the middle attack to gain complete access to their databases. These databases contain vital user information, because of security violations such as identifying theft, loss of confidential information and credit card fraud. In so many cases, the hacker can even use SQL injection vulnerability to take control and corrupt the database system that host the web application. A web application that is vulnerable to SQL injection and PHP attacks are widespread. A study by Gartner Group on over 300 internet websites has shown that most of them could be vulnerable to SQL and PHP attack. They have successfully targeted high profile victims such as the Blueville cafe, FTD.com, and Guess Inc. The causes of SQL injection and PHP vulnerabilities include insufficient validation of user input. To address this validation problem, the developers have to propose a range of coding guidelines that promote defensive coding practices such as encoding user input and validation that will mitigate the strength of the SQL cyber - attack [6], [10], [45].

## 4. POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS TO NETWORK THREATS

## **4.1 USERS CATALOGUE**

The training should include lessons such as scanning attachment download files before the opening them and logging off the computer if not used. Educating the users about possible threats and damage caused by ignorance are very important [eight], [31]. All the components have their product catalogue and manufacturer guide.

## **4.2 CREATE A USER PROFILE OF EACH CLIENT**

Avoiding using the administrator account all the time, install or remove network component's software. The strong password of eight characters that contain at least three digits, and a special character make it tough for hackers or man-in-the-middle to break into a network [8], [31]. The technique of implementing user control, it is a very good method to mitigate and control the information security policy without linked out to the unwanted users.

## 4.3 RESTRICTING MANAGEMENT ACCESS USING CONTROL LIST

The ACL (access control list) is an effective way to manage and restrict remote access traffic in the prevention of unauthorized access and denial of service attack against a management interface. An ACL mechanism can also be used in conjunction with distance vector and link-state routing protocols [8], [31]. The idea of reducing access of co-workers to database account of a particular organisation is one of major technique to govern and secure database information from modification or exploit by unwanted users.

## 4.4 UPDATE THE OPERATING SYSTEM

This helps reduce the vulnerabilities such as the developer identifies, patch, weaknesses in the operating system [31]. If your devices are malfunctioning because you didn't perform your update, it is possible you lost your valuable data to a cyber threat, or spent whole days trying to scan for a virus, you learned a valuable lesson about the need to secure your computer. All users have to update their systems and stop using devices prone to vulnerabilities such as Microsoft Windows 95, Windows 98, and Windows ME. These versions of Microsoft Windows are now outdated, they are prone to attack and vulnerabilities. Every time you use your computer to transact or send vita information via the internet may put you at risk such as losing your vital information to the hacker. The method of upgrading device to Windows operating system such as: XP Service Pack 2, Vista, Win7, and Win8, which designed to replace older Windows and considered more secure.

## 4.5 VULNERABILITY SCANNER

The best way to check whether a website and applications are vulnerable to SQL injection and PHP attack is by installing a licensed anti-virus (web scanner). Web scanners crawls entire website and automatically check for vulnerabilities to cyber threats. It will indicate which script is vulnerable and

fix the vulnerability easily. It also ensures a website is secure by checking across site scripting program and other vulnerabilities. It performs so many tasks such as authentication pages, automatically audits shopping carts, forms, dynamic content, and other web applications. It is designed or program in such a way that after completing scanning of system, it produces detailed reports that pinpoint where vulnerabilities exist and remediation techniques [18], [20], [31].

#### **4.6 WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy)**

The WEP (wired Equivalent Privacy) security technology was originated from RC4' RSA data encryption technology. The WEP is use for different wireless end devices' encrypted communication that prevents unauthorized users sniffer the network or intrude into the wireless network [19]. The WEP has two authentication mechanisms such as (open system authentication) and (share key authentication). The WEP is not perfect for use in wireless network systems because RC4 is one kind of a stream cipher in which the same key cannot use as second timers [19]. The password is not secure when users transmit plain text password. The plain text password is very easy to break by malicious people [5], [11], and [29].

### 4.7 WPA (WI-FI Protected Access)

The WPA (WI-FI Protected Access) is a mechanism used for project wireless network systems that provide an effective encrypt passwords between different wireless ends. The WPA uses one standard method to encrypt, which is (Temporary key integrity protocol). There are two types of authentication e.g. 802.1x authentication mechanism and pre-shared key mode. The WPA versions and protection mechanisms can be differentiated based on the (chronological) technological operation of WPA, the target end-user (according to the method of authentication key distribution), and the encryption protocol used [4], [16] [29].

#### **4.8 WIPS (Wireless Intrusion Prevention System)**

The Wireless Intrusion Prevention system is an effective way to prevent unauthorized access to local area networks and the other information may influence wireless network performance [4]. The WIPS is a good way to project wireless network infrastructure. The WIPS consist of these components such as a sensor, server, and console [11]. Finally, the sensor performs various kinds of test such as scans the wireless spectrum packets, discovers server and captures the unauthorized behaviours. After that the console provides, the primary user interface into the system for administration and reporting [29].

#### 4.9 WIDS (Wireless Intrusion Detection System)

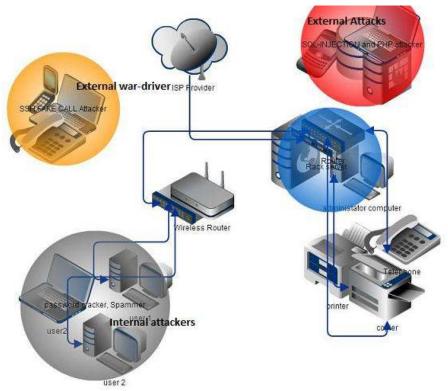
The wireless intrusion detection system monitors the radio spectrum for unauthorized behaviours [4]. This system monitors the wireless spectrum based on the wireless local area network. If the WIDS detect unauthorized information, it will immediately send awareness to administrator [11], [29]. It consists of three components such as Sensors, Server, and Console. A WIDS can be a single system that connected to a wireless radio signal device, and antennas placed throughout the facility.

#### 4.10 FIREWALL

The Firewall and endpoint anti-malware products are essential security tools, but they are inadequate in the face of these bad omens (hackers). The firewall is an important cornerstone of the network security and it is generally, first line of defence against internet-based threats. The traditional firewall most are inbuilt into devices system and some new generation firewall can installed by following the guide and manual catalogue provided from the manufacture. It is easy to operate and maintain, but are also relatively unsophisticated and therefore ineffective against many of today's advance network threats. The traditional firewall is not design to inspect the application content. An attack from an allowed IP address or port can often simply bypass a firewall. Due to the weakness of traditional firewall, the new generation firewall is programme such as to recognize and discover threats so fast and acknowledge by giving alarm sound. The endpoint anti-malware detects and blocks many unwanted mail and attacks, but its effectiveness has decreased in the face of extremely sophisticated techniques [20], [23], and [24].

### **5. METHODOLOGY**

There are different kinds of internet or cyber-attacks, which can harm the network and exploit it. This report contains the different type of attacks and suggests solutions. Mainly, there are two general types of attacks such as internal and external attacks. Here are lists of attacks on the network and their mitigation (how to secure from those attacks). The fig.12 below shows the diagrammatic representation of wireless network of an internet cafe (The Blueville, Ede). The attacks that were label in the fig.12 are examples of the internal and external threats experienced by naming cafes inside the report. The Internal threats such as password compromise or cracker, spammer, vulnerability, web login attacks by customers and the external threats such as: brute force ssh attack, fake caller, and wardriver.



#### Fig 12: Cafe-Topology

The above fig.12 was not the exact original topology of the Blueville cafe, but it assumed and imagined how the cafe topology should look like because we cannot fly to Nigeria due to cost and visa requirement. The investigation made on the phone to the Blueville cafe administrator in Nigeria in order to gather details about the cyber threats. We confirmed from the data that, the Blueville cafe was under the threats of an internal and external attack. We asked questions from the cyber cafe administrator such as design topology, kind of operating systems installed on the computer, compatible with an application program, security measure and policy control. For examples, the cafe device system implements with a Mikrotik OS to manage their networks. The mikrotik OS has inbuilt security functions such as: a firewall feature, captive portal login with encryption technique. The computer systems in the cafe are installing with trial version of different antivirus (unlicensed antivirus program). The administrator also told us that the web attacks such as SQL-injection and PHP

handled by the hosting company. Therefore, due to insufficient information from the ISP provider, we are unable to offer details how they take care or mitigate their external attacks. We are able confirmed that the two companies (blueville cafe and internet game centre) experienced the same and similar attacks. After we compared the information, collected on the phone from Nigeria and the data collected in Sweden. It also came to our notices that most customers attempted to crack the password by installing some malicious program on the computer. The attacker also uses "try by error" method to break the portal login by means of shortcut key from the keyboard. From our documentation and resources, we documented the possible mitigation and suggestions on how to control the listed test threats in the result that collected during our practical test at the university Cisco lab. We run a test for the following threats such as password crack and war-driver by means of using backtrack5 as our intruder to break our scenario wireless network. The following security technique such as a WEP, WPA/WPA2, and WPA2 using 802.1x used in our test in the lab.

## **5.1 PROTOTYPE AND EXPERIMENTS**

The goal of this work is to design a scenario that includes the implementation of the wireless network security solution such as WEP, WPA/WPA2, and WPA2 using 802.1x and, we use backtrack5 (brute force) as the dictionary technique that tries all possible combinations of letters listed in a dictionary. This objective has shown better results in practice, as most of the time passwords are combinations of meaningful words and phrases. Hence, the number of potential combinations and time required for such search is significantly lesser. For effective implementation, the following equipment's are present such as the chosen wireless devices at the university Cisco lab to test for brute force ssh and password recovery attacks, backtrack5 (act as our intruder) as a dictionary technique for generating data and as well as war-driver tool to look and check for availability and weak wireless networks.

## **5.2 NETWORK EQUIPMENTS**

Required Tools (Hardware and Software) such as:

- i. Cisco Aero net wireless adapter
- ii. Cisco Aero net desktop utility
- iii. Wireless router
- iv. Wireless Access Point (testing tool for WEP and WPA)
- v. Backtrack 5
- vi. 10base TX cables
- vii. We have two desktop computer system and laptop with window7 and XP operating system.
- viii. Intel (R) wireless WIFI Link 5300 (Wireless Card)

The above listed tools were available wireless equipment in our Cisco lab to able to proof our test for Ssh attack, war-driver, and password cracks.

## **5.3 DATA EXPLORATION**

The result collected from our different scenario steps, demonstrates how to crack passwords such as WEP, WPA/WPA2 security technique. It teaches how bactrack5 behave or act like an intruder. For examples, if there is a file with codes, and any hash function used by the operating system can apply in order to encrypt possible passwords (generated brute force / dictionary attack). This determines and suggests the correct password strength through simple comparison we got from our test. The last part shows the suggested solution for a café wireless network, which include using 802.1X enterprise network security. The first test for internet security exploration is to investigate how an attack such as ssh, a password cracker and war-driver can easily gain access to a weak wireless such as WEP. The attacker uses backtrack5 as dictionary threat with several commands to check for the available free network as war-driver attacks. The second tests will show how an attacker uses backtrack5 to crack WPA/WPA2 pre-share key by using brute-force dictionary attack. The third test shows the best way to secure a café wireless network by implementing 802.1x authentication and introduction of strong and long password.

## **5.4 RESULTS**

Firstly, we build simple wireless local area network (WLAN) scenario in the lab with an infrastructure mode by using Cisco equipment. The first step we build a network with very weak security. The network is completely vulnerable to attack that is, the network is open for the intruder and attacker to access the information very easily. The Practical test divided into three experiments.

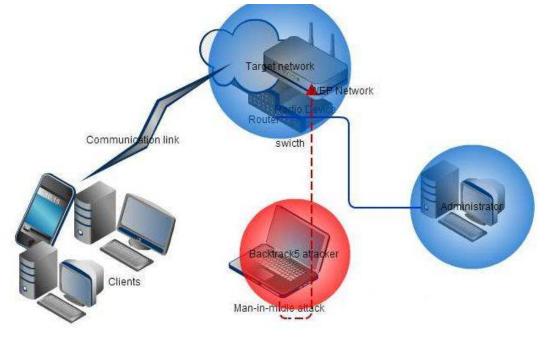


Fig 13: WEP Network

#### **5.4.1 CRACK PRINCIPLE OF THE WEP NETWORK**

This method is able to achieve with the analysis of the dictionary technique of collecting and generating enough packets. The stages in cracking of WEP network and WPA network are different even though we use the same principle of the dictionary technique. From the fig.13, it explained how an internet café wireless network can easily compromise if the administrator configure access point security mechanisms in WEP. The WEP uses 24-bit, 48-bit, and 128-bit vector key called IV. This test will display how an attacker performs some special function such as: to collect, decrypt IV's, recovery WEP hexadecimal, and ASCII key. The WEP network formally known as good-wired high security but it lost its fame after many compromising and the loss of information to an attacker. Due to the weakness of WEP, result in the emergence of the WPA introduce to the network.

Scenario 1, fig.13 is a simple network infrastructure topology designed with the Cisco equipment in the lab, to provide initial security to the network. The configuration of WEP security policy on the AP and Client did at the university Cisco the lab. Although the WEP network is, consider good compare with wireless network without security control. After implementing a WEP security on the network, and we use the cracking tool called backtrack5 to break the WEP (64 and 128 bits) security key. From the result collect, we conclude that the WEP key is easy to break for WLAN and analyse that how the WEP security is unreliable for secured network. To successful crack, WEP hexadecimal and ASCII keys, large amount of IVs must collect. This project explains how an attacker cracks WEP using the latest version of backtrack5 by applying the series of commands. Firstly, the attacker type commands iwconfig into the backtrack5 terminal. This enables an attacker to confirm which network interface among listed are available to monitor. It also makes sure that the wireless card is functioning without any problem. If the attacker caught enough IV according to the fig.14, hence the attacker can use airocrack command to break or crack the WEP network password. We use airodump-ng command to grab value data packets and collect IVs. If the network is slow or no client connects to the associate access point, the airplay-ng command used to inject floods to increase collecting IVs rate. Once 30000-60000 packets of data collected, aircrack - ng commands can used to crack the WEP network hexadecimal and ASCII keys.

#### 5.4.1.1 STAGES COMPROMISING OF WEP NETWORK

#### Stage 1 Wireless Interface

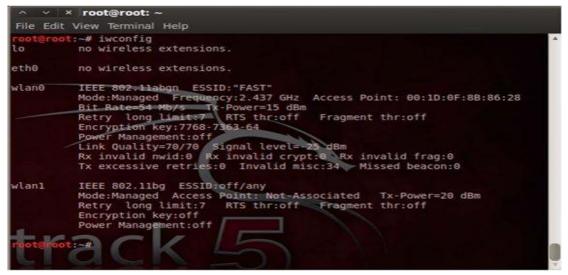


Fig 14: Wireless Interface Details

From the fig.14, The Backtrack5 enables us to implement in its terminal mode and log as root to use **iwconfig** command. This command allows us to specific our wireless local area network interface's monitor state. Due to the wlan0 supported injection functions, and we are able to use it as a tool to crack WEP security.

**root@root:** ~# iwconfig, it will return the information to indicate which WLAN interface is enabled to send and receive data from direct connected associate access point.

We can find a lot of useful information showed, such as the ESSID is "FAST" which indicated it is a Wireless router's SSID (Secure set identification). The Access Point Mac address is 00:1D: 0F:8B:86:28 and we will use this information to crack WEP few step lately.

#### **Stage 2 Information Scanning**

As described above in the Fig.14, while we set wlan0 into monitor mode (mon0) to capture network traffic and without associating with any access point (BSSID). The backtrack5 enables us to choose an appropriate target network by using airodump-ng command. With this command lo and eth0 type on the terminal prompt of backtrack5, the first result display no wireless network extension, but with wlan0 and wlan1 we are able to scan for information and available network with full details in fig.15 below.

BSSID		PWR	Beacons #	Data,	#/5	CH	MB	ENC	CIPHER	AUTH	ESSID
00:1D:0F:88	3:86:28	-25	25	29	81	6	54 .	WEP	WEP		FAST
0:05:C5:30	:3C:88	-68	18	Θ	Θ	4	54e.	WEP	WEP		XXXXYY
0:05:05:90	: F4:EC	-68	9	8	Θ	1	54 .	OPN			TP-LI
0:13:D4:E2	2:5F:5A	-69	6	3	Θ	1	54	WEP	WEP		503
4:0C:6D:4F	12:9A	- 70	12	8	Θ	6	54 .	WPA2	CCMP	PSK	TP-LI
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Fig 15: Information Scanning

#### Root@root: ~# Airodump-ng mon0

The above command can show a set of AP (Access Points), some of these APs are encrypt by WEP. We are recommended choosing AP with higher power frequency (PwR) which helpful us to collect

transmitting data. This command also can define target's accurate channel (CH) and ESSID name that

is FAST.

#### **Stage 3 Data Collection**

File Edit View Terminal H	elp				
CH 6 ][ BAT: 32 mins ] BSSID PWR		in ][ 2011-06- #Data, #/s		CIPHER AUTH	E
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Fig 16: Data collection

In order to obtain correct data and store in a file, airodump-ng command can use along with other parameters to target a specific AP and channel. In this scenario, we captured data packet on channel 6 and created a file named as conzha09. The data must generate up to 30000-60000 so that can enable us to hack or crack the WEP network password. The following command can use to achieve this purpose.

Root@root:~#Airodump-ng -C 6 bssid 00:1D:0F:8B:86:28 -w conzha09 mon0

#### **Stage 4 Packet Generation**

If the network transmitting data packet very slow then increase traffic collection is required. From this step, additional data injected to increase traffic on the wireless network, the following command can be implemented in the other backtrack terminal.

**Root@root:~#aireplay-ng -**3 –b 00:1D:0F:8B:86:28 –h 00:17:C4:E8:A7:C0 mon0

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			rodump-ng					
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Read 6 p	backets	got 0 ARF	requests	and 0	ACKs),	sent 0	packets.	(0 pp
Read 15	packets	(got 0 AF	RP request	s and 0	ACKS)	, sent 0	packets.	(0 p
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Fig 17: Packet Generation

#### **Step 5 Information Generates (When there is no client connection)**

If there is no clients connect to the Access Point, we can use aireplay-ng with its parameter "fake automatic count" to pretend a valid user to connect to an active access point. The following command can use to dominate this function.

Root@root: ~#Aireplay-ng -1 0 - e FAST - a 00:1D:0F:8B:86:28 -h 0: indicate delayed a number of seconds to re-establish connection -E : configure AP's ESSID -A: configure AP's MAC address -H: configure pretends client MAC, basically is your own Mac address 00:17:C4:E8:A7:C0

The packet injection procedure is required. First, we establish a pseudo link with the access point as"-1 fake-out count attack mode". Therefore, we also start to collect packets between the fake client and access point. Upon these receptions, we received two exactly same "WEP IV" data packet , the " - 1 fake-out count attack mode" with fake arp packet sent to the AP, then the AP can start to collect up packets from fake user and the AP.

#### Stage 6 Decryption of WEP Password

The last step to recovery WEP password is to configure Aircrack-ng command in another backtrack terminal. The WEP cracking process involves collecting enough data packets, extraction of the key and connect to the network. To make sure cracking process successfully, the command as follows.

<b>Root@root</b> : ~#Aircrack-ng -b 00:1D:0F:8B:86:28 conzha09-01. Cap	
The "-b" Indicates the Access point Mac address and conzha09-01. Cap is the	
data collected file's name. Keep in mind the data collected file must be	
collected up to 30000-60000 units that the cracking procedure can be	
successful, retrieved key is in hexadecimal and ASCII both can be used to	
connect to the network.	
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Aircrack-ng 1.1 r1899	*
[00:00:02] Tested 1093 keys (got 14288 IVs) KB depth byte(vote) 0 0/ 1 77(22784) 65(19456) 78(19456) 16(18944) 91(18176) 1 1/ 4 68(19968) AD(19200) AB(18688) EC(18432) 35(18176) 2 7/ 9 D0(18176) 52(17928) 0C(17664) 28(17664) 18(17408) 3 0/ 3 63(20992) C1(19712) 1C(19200) BA(18944) E0(18688) 4 2/ 11 64(18432) 90(18176) CC(18176) 00(18176) 53(18176) KEY FOUND! [ 77:68:73:63:64 ] (ASCII: whscd ) Decrypted correctly: 100%	

Fig 18: Decryption WEP password

#### **5.4.1.2 SUMMARY**

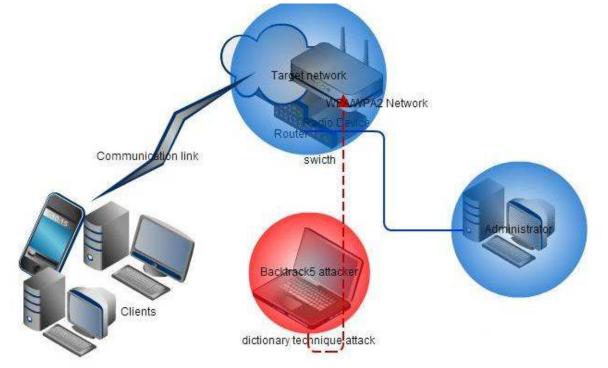
As demonstrated above, cracking for a WEP encryption mechanism has become increasingly easier over the years, in the past, for cracking WEP may require days of generating data to crack the WEP, but nowadays it achieved in a few minutes. We also learnt during the test that if there is no way to collect packets, we can use "- 0 attack mode "to temporary break communications between lawful client and AP. The way of "- 0 De-authenticate" actually act as a wireless hacking that can be used by attacker to have a chance to get the up request packet. Only if the attacker was able to collect bugs approximately 30000-60000 data packets. With test in the lab and by using backtrack5, we are able to break the WEP network within limited time. Due to the IV packets are repeated use in Wlan, which leads the attacker can use "arp replay method" to gain the amount of effective date when less client

communicate with the AP. To protect WEP networks from attack by the malicious person, it recommended using longer IV's size such as 128 bits IV's. The attacker needs to collect vast of correct data packets to crack for the longer IV's password.

#### 5.4.2 HACKING WPA/WPA2

The purpose of this test is to show how an attacker can use open-source software to capture handshake of WPA/WPA2, after the handshake successfully captured by the backtrack5, the next step is to use aircrack-ng to crack the pre-shared key. To able to crack or attack the WPA/WPA2 security mechanisms, it can achieve in the two different techniques such as active attack and passive attack. From the result gather in the Lab test, we are able to perform in active attack and, this method called active attack de-authentication performed manually to get a handshake from the access point.

**Scenario** 2, in the fig.19 below, we use the same infrastructure network from fig.14 and implement security policy such as WPA and WPA2. We run backtrack5 as our intruder to break the WPA encryption key. Backtrack5 used as dictionary attacks to collect logs and bugs for us to able to perform cracking of password. The process takes a long period in order to generate the data required to carry out the attack. The estimated processing time varies due to memory size capacity the speed of the computer system. The time to take the backtrack5 to break WPA, it's very more bigger compare to the time used during the cracking of WEP. It gives us a clear understanding of which of the wireless technique is a reliable security solution with respect to the previous decryption of WEP password. The question is, which one is likely preferable to reduce or mitigate the cyber threats to the internet cafes.



#### Fig 19: WPA/WPA2

One of the most popular ways of cracking and attacking WPA/WPA2 is that, the attacker (Man-inmiddle) performs a dictionary technique attack (we are generating a large amount of codes), by using captured handshake and data packet from the access point and associate connected clients. The primary drawback of WPA/WPA2 pre-shared key is the phosphorus is very short and, it can only encrypt 8-63 characters. If the pass-phrase designed is very short and common, this can easily bypass by the dictionary attack or threat method. In addition, finally aircrack-ng command can recover and bypass password which given by collecting data packets.

### 5.4.2.1 STAGES INVOLVE CRACKING WPA/WPA2

#### Stage 1 Wireless Card detection and information collection.

The step to crack WPA/WPA2 pre-shared key is to make sure the wireless card working properly, and generate enough data packet from the target access point and associate clients. Generally, the initiation procedure for cracking WPA/WPA2 pre-shared key is very similar, but different data generated to crack WEP compare with WPA, which means by using techniques such as **aroma-ng** and **airodump-ng** commands in the backtrack5 terminal mode to achieve the purpose of cracking or threats on the specific network.

The Client active injection crack WPA Encryption, the handshake information packet, and then uses **aircrack** crack. It can take the initiative to attack legitimate client dropped, legitimate customers take away lines, and then re-handshake can be caught handshake information packet with AP.

#### Stage 2 Collect data and WPA handshake.

De-authentication is a very important step to get the WPA handshake, it may require the client reestablish connection with its associate access point. Type the following command in the backtrack5 terminal and with these we able to achieve a temporary breaks relationship between client and access point and capture WPA handshake.

<b>root@by:~#aireplay-ng _deauth</b> 1 _a 00:17:DF:35:B5:70 _c 18:87:96:BE:D5:A4	
de-auth 1 de-authentication AP and client -a Access point MAC address -c client MAC address	
<pre>root@bt:~# aireplay-ngdeauth 1 -a 00:17:DF:35:B5:70 -c 18:87:96:BE:D5:A4 md 14:51:34 Waiting for beacon frame (BSSID: 00:17:DF:35:B5:70) on channel 13 14:51:34 Sending 64 directed DeAuth. STMAC: [18:87:96:BE:D5:A4] [ 1  3 ACKs]</pre>	on0
CH 13 ][ Elapsed: 15 mins ][ 2012-06-15 14:48 ][ WPA handshake: 00:17:DF:35:B5:7	70
BSSID PWR RXQ Beacons #Data, #/s CH MB ENC CIPHER AUTH ESS	SID
00:17:DF:35:B5:70 -11 100 8952 267 6 13 54e. WPA2 CCMP PSK ONE	E
BSSID STATION PWR Rate Lost Frames Probe	
00:17:DF:35:B5:70 18:87:96:BE:D5:A4 -44 54e-54e 6 214	

Fig 20: Collection data and WPA handshake

#### Stage 3 WPA/WPA2 Attack

After we generate packet with dictionary technique, and a handshake is captured by airodump-ng and aireplay-ng command, the final step is to perform cracking WPA/WPA2 pre-shared password which requires a dictionary file, and by using aircrack-ng command we able to compare the collected data whether or not storing in the dictionary file. This depends on the CPU processing rate and size of the dictionary.

<b>Root@bt:</b> ~#aircrack-ng conzha09-01. Cap –w '/root/password2. text'	
conzha09-01. Cap indicate the data captured between a client and AP	
-W show the captured packets store in a file	
Password2.text dictionary file	

					A	irc	racl	k-ng	g 1	.1	r20	76					
t	00	:05	: 52]	] 49	9349	92	key	s te	este	ed	(14	31.2	21	k/s	)		
			K	EY	FOUI	ND !	[ (	cise	co1:	23	]						
Master Key			BE E6														
Transient Key		CB C9	92	0A C0	48 89	08 E8	23 48	09 50	F2 65	B6 AE	8A 48	5A 61	1E FD	EC 32	BF 14	99 70	F8 E0
EAPOL HMAC root@bt:~# aircrack-																	FA

Fig 21: WPA/ WPA2 Cracking

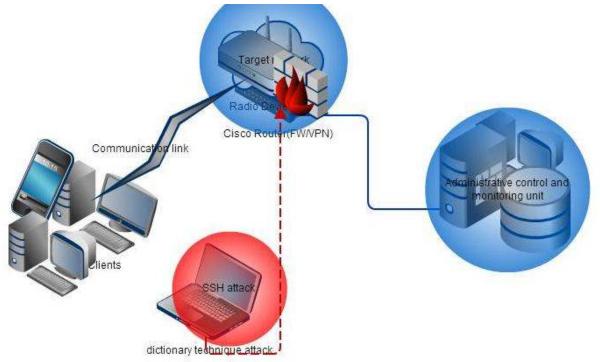
### **5.4.2.2 SUMMARY**

Above experiments indicate the implementation of a wireless network using WPA/WPA2 pre-shared key cannot guarantee full security, although to use dictionary attack is not so effective and to break WPA/WPA2. However, if the remote end users to configure single and common word phrase as a password, the attacker will increase the success rate to break WPA/WPA2 pre-shared password without any problem. For the packet requirements need to crack WEP encryption and WPA encryption Cap is not the same. The following two packets get description (behind each step has a common problem analysis. To achieve this procedure it required a fast computer system with large memory. In conclusion, for effective cracking of WPA/WPA2, the attacker needs more periods of time and days to able to accomplish their aim from our observation during the test in the lab.

#### 5.4.3 IMPLEMENTATION OF 802.1x NETWORK

The 802.1x provide a better way for remote wireless clients connect to the access point, if the client requires access through the WLAN, the radius security system with EAP extensions will validate the identity of the client. Generally, there are two types of modes can be set using WPA/WPA2. The enterprise mode and personal mode, this experiment is designed for an internet café. Therefore, it's recommended implementing in enterprise mode.

**Scenario** 3, there is a need of the Radius Server, connect Radius Server with the AP already build WLAN in infrastructure mode, configure the WPA2 using the 802.1X security solution on the AP. We run a cracking test in order to bypass the security, by using the same cracking software backtrack5. This really takes us an extra time and hours to break even though his mission accomplished but it was not an easy task. The fig.22, show the example internet cafe topology that indicates all the threats and connectivity within the cafe organization.





#### This experiment has three main features:

- i. The client wishes to connect to the Access Point.
- ii. The authentication server validates client information and permission to access to WIFI service.
- iii. Wireless network security protection.

#### The configuration steps such as:

- i. Configure server manager
- ii. Configure security manager

- iii. Configure the SSID manager
- iv. Configure local radius server
- v. Create users and administrators list
- vi. Implementation of password control

# 5.4.3.1 802.1x NETWORK SECURITY SETUP/CONFIGURATION

#### **Step 1 Configure Radius Server**

From the Cisco AiroNet GUI utility software, we configure the access point to make it act as the local Radius Server and use the Leap authentication protocol to valid client information. Under the Security option choose Server manager; configure the Radius Server IP address, and port number. Under the experiment, the Eap authentication priority set at 192.168.1.5, port number set to 1812 and 1813.

	SERVER MANAGER	E GLOBAL PROPERTIES		
ME	Hostname ap			
PRESS SET-UP				
PRESS SECURITY TWORK MAP +	Security: Server Manager			
SOCIATION +	Backup RADIUS Server			
TWORK TERFACES +				
CURITY	Backup RADIUS Server:	(Hostname of	r IP Address)	
dmin Access	Shared Secret:			
ncryption Manager				
SID Manager				
erver Manager	Corporate Servers			
ocal RADIUS Server	Current Server List			
dvanced Security				
RVICES + RELESS SERVICES +	RADIUS 💌			
STEM SOFTWARE +	< NEW >	Server:	192.168.12.5	(Hostname or IP Address)
ENTLOG +	192.168.12.5	Shared Secret:		
	Delete	Authentication Port (optional):	1812 (0-65536)	
	Detete			
		Accounting Port (optional):	1813 (0-65536)	
	Default Server Priorities			
	EAP Authentication	MAC Authentication		Accounting
	Priority 1: 192. 168. 12. 5 💌	Priority 1: < NONE >	×	Priority 1: < NONE >
	Priority 2: < NONE >	Priority 2: < NONE >	*	Priority 2: < NONE >
	Priority 3: < NONE >	Priority 3: < NONE >	×	Priority 3: < NONE >
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Fig 23: Configure Security Manager

### **Step 2 Configure Security Managers**

This step includes configuration of encryption method, from the cipher menu and select the AES CCMP for the encryption purposes.

INTERFACES +	Encryption Modes				
Admin Access	🔿 None				
Encryption Manager					
SSID Manager					
Server Manager	WEP Encryption	Optional 💌			
Local RADIUS Server			Cisco Compliant TKIP Features:	📃 Enable Message Integrity Check (MIC)	
Advanced Security				Enable Per Packet Keying (PPK)	
SERVICES +					
WIRELESS SERVICES +	💿 Cipher	AES CCMP	*		
SYSTEM SOFTWARE +					
EVENT LOG +					
		Fig	24: Security Manag	ger	

### **Step 3 Configures the SSID Manager**

To configure Service Set Identifier (SSID), Click on the check box of the network as EAP, which enable the authentication type of WPA2 and place the SSID to the appropriate VLAN.

	Hostname ap		
HOME			
EXPRESS SET-UP	Constant Clock of CCID Monorana		
EXPRESS SECURITY	Security: Global SSID Manager		
NETWORK MAP +	SSID Properties		
ASSOCIATION +	·		
NETWORK INTERFACES +	Current SSID List		
SECURITY	< NEW >	SSID:	WPA2
Admin Access	WPA2	VLAN:	2 Define VLANs
Encryption Manager		Interface:	B- #-9 000 11 0
SSID Manager		interface:	Radio0-802.11G
Server Manager			Radio1-802.11A
Local RADIUS Server		Network ID:	(0-4096)
Advanced Security			
SERVICES +			
WIRELESS SERVICES +	Delete		
SYSTEM SOFTWARE +			
EVENT LOG +			
	Client Authentication Settings		
	Methods Accepted:		
	Open Authentication	< NO ADDITION>	M
	Shared Authentication	n: < NO ADDITION>	×
	✓ Network EAP:	< NO ADDITION >	

Fig 25: SSID Manager

**Step 4 Configure local Radius Server** 

By changing to the main tab, go to a general setup page on the top of window, then select the LEAP option and click on apply button, after that define the IP address and shared secret key from the radius server.

Authenticated Key Management			
Key Management:	[Mandiatory 💌	E CCHM	P WPA
WPA Pre-shared Key:	1	@ A50	a C Hexadecimal
Accounting Settings			
Enable Accounting	Account	ting Server Priorities:	
	I Lice	Defaults Defaults	
	C Cust	toesize	
	Pm	ontry t. KNONE > .	
	Pris	untry 2: CENONE > .	
	Ptic	onty 3: KNONE > .	
General Settings			
C Advectise Extended Capab	illites of this SSID		
C Advertis	se Wireless Provisioning Servi	ices (WPS) Support	
C Advertis	se this SSID as a Secondary B	coadcast SSID	
Enable IP Redirection on t	his SSID		
IP Address	DISABLED		
IP Filter (optional):			

Fig 26: Local Radius Server

### 6.4.4 REMOTE CLIENT CONFIGURATION

The steps below are the stages to follow when configuring Remote Client (desktop utility Aironet adapter).

### **Step 1 Profile Management**

From the Aironet desktop utility, click general option where we can create a new profile name and SSID which matching to the access point. In this case, the profile name and SSID is "WPA2."

Profile N	ame: WPA2	
Client N	me:	
Network Names		
SS	ID1: WPA2	
SS	ID2:	
SS	ID3:	

Fig 27: Profile Management

### **Step 2 Configuration Security**

From the security tab and choose WPA/WPA2/CCKM, and select LEAP as the EAP type, this step will active the security option which matching to the configuration from the Access point.

Set Security Options			
☞ WPA/WPA2/CCKM	WPA/WPA2/CCKM EAP Type: LEA	4P	-
C WPA/WPA2 Passphrase			
C 802.1x	802.1x EAP Type: LEA	×P	<u> </u>
C Pre-Shared Key (Static WE	P)		
C None			
Configure	Allow Association to Mixed C Locked Profile	Cells	
Group Po	olicy Delay: 60 🛨 sec		

Fig 28: Implementation of Security

#### **Step 3 LEAP Configuration**

After enabling LEAP as the WPA/WPA2/CCKM EAP's type, click configures option and assign a username and password for which person can access to the access point. In this case, the username set as Chong and the password is conzh09.

	Name and Password		
Automatically P	ompt for User Name a	and Password	
C Manually Prom	t for User Name and F	Password	
Use Saved User Nar	e and Password		
User Name:			
Password:			
Confirm Password:			
Domain:			
-			
Include Windows Lo	gon Domain with Use	r Name	

Fig 29: Leap Configuration

#### **Step 4 Active of the Client Profile**

The last step is to click on the option of activating a profile. To verify the entire configuration steps are correctly, the client profile tab will show the LEAP authentication status, which will show the status of the current connection.

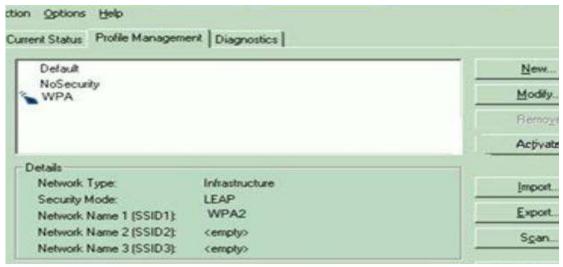


Fig 30: Active Client Profile

### **5.4.4.1 SUMMARY**

The IEEE 802.1X/EAP combined client's MAC address, account, password, and certificate (TLS) to the proof of the identity of the user. The 802.1 X/EAP provides safer, more flexible verification mode, this technique can dynamically assign WPA2 certificate key to prevent WLAN loopholes thus preventing malicious behaviours. The configuration of portal login and administrative control in this test help to minimize and control the threats from backtrack5 attacks. The special character and strong password will make it very hard for war-driver as well Ssh attackers find it difficult to easily generate dictionary code they can enable them achieve their aim of compromising the security password of the wireless network.

#### 6. CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTIONS

We compare all three scenarios carried out during our experiments in the lab, and the resources such as textbooks, journals, articles, and web-material. We strongly suggest WPA2 using 802.1x as our best solution so far. It was not the best but from our result, we suggest this to the blueville café and Halmstad internet game center that can help them to minimize and reduce brute force ssh attack, wardriver, and password attacks. These are just three tests we were able to carry out at our university Cisco lab according to our goal. The act of limiting and mitigate cyber threats is a very wide topic. Firstly, we implement WEP as the security mechanism to secure Internet café's wireless network. The WEP is extremely easy to recover the password (even if administrator uses complex password) if the attacker collects enough IVs, by using following command such as information gathering (airodumpng) mode, exploitation (aireplay-ng) mode as well as cracking mode (aircrack-ng). Secondly, because WEP was prone to easy threats we proceed to implement WPA/WPA2 pre-shared key in the network, but the result indicated that WPA/WPA2 pre-shared key are not fully secure if internet café try to use "easy guest" phase as the password. The test shows that an attacker can use dictionary attacker to recover the (8-63 character) password. Finally, the third experiment part is the recommended solution for Internet café has to secure the WIFI network, because the 802.1x enterprise security with EAP extension required to validate of the user's information if they require to connect to access the port and port-based authentication is not easily impossible to crack. It requires an attacker at dedicated times days to collect and generate logs and bugs, due to this it is not an easy task. So due to this test and experiment, we suggest all users have WPA2 using 802.1x authentication, it is very important. This security technique and method have better security strength compare with WEP. Users are prone to much damage and errors that resulted in a large risk in today's computing. Proper education and awareness should put in place that can govern how we use and manage wireless networks.

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# 8. APPENDIX A

### **Access Point Configuration**

aaa new-model aaa group server radius rad eap server 192.168.1.5auth-port 1812 acct-port 1813 aaa authentication login eap methods group rad eap bridge irb interface Dot11Radio0 no ip address no ip route-cache encryption vlan 2 key 1 size 128bit broadcast-key vlan 2 change 300 ssid WPA2 vlan 2 authentication open eap eap methods authentication network-eap eap methods speed basic-1.0 basic-2.0 basic-5.5 basic-11.0 rts threshold 2312 channel 2437 station-role root bridge-group 1 bridge-group 1 subscriber-loop-control bridge-group 1 block-unknown-source no bridge-group 1 source-learning no bridge-group 1 unicast-flooding

bridge-group 1 spanning-disabled interface FastEthernet0 no ip address no ip route-cache duplex auto speed auto bridge-group 1 no bridge-group 1 source-learning bridge-group 1 spanning-disabled interface BVI1 ip address 192.168.1.2 255.255.255.0 no ip route-cache ip default-gateway 192.168.1.1 ip http server ip radius source-interface BVI1 snmp-server community cable RO snmp-server enable traps tty radius-server local nas 192.168.1.1key shared secret group WPA2 user chong nthash conzha09 group WPA2 radius-server host 192.168.1.5 auth-port 1812 acct-port 1813 key shared secret radius-server retransmit 1 radius-server attribute 32 include-in-access-req format %h radius-server authorization permit missing Service-Type radius-server vsa send accounting bridge 1 route ip line con 0 line vty 5 15 end

# 9. ACRONYMS

ACL Access control list

AES Advanced Encryption Standard

AES CCMP AES-Counter Mode CBC-MAC Protocol

AH Authentication header

AP Access point

ASCII American Standard Code for Information Interchange

BSSID Basic Service Set Identifier

CCKM Cisco Centralized Key Management

CD-ROM Compact Disc Read - Only Memory

DDOS Distributed Denial of Service

DOS Denial Of Service

EAP Extensible Authentication Protocol

ESP Encapsulating Security Payload

TCP/IP Transmission Control Protocol / Internet Protocol

VoIP Voice over IP

WAR-DRIVER Hacker

WEP Wired Equivalent Privacy

WIDS Wireless intrusion detection system

WIPS Wireless intrusion prevention system

WLAN Wireless local area network

WPA Wi Fi Protected Access

BRUTE FORCE SSH Attack

SQL-Injection

PHP Attack

BLUEVILLE Internet Café

INTERNET Game Center





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