

WiFi security and physical layer stuff

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To prepare for this lecture

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fZ1R9RliM1w>

Who cares about the local physical layer?

- Example 1: Poor transport-layer security
- Example 2: ARP cache poisoning

WiFi security

- WEP, WPA, WPA2, WPA3

Other applications of radio signals

- 3G, 4G, 5G, 900 Mhz, Bluetooth, ...

Who cares?

meituan.pcap

- Check out frame 36878
- Almost 700 million Annual Transacting Users

Who cares? (continued)

arpspoof.pcap

-Downloaded from

<https://github.com/researcher111/ARP-pcap-files/blob/master/arpspoof.pcap>

-Real gateway is 08:00:27:5e:01:7c

-Fake gateway is 08:00:27:2d:f8:5a

-This is called ARP cache poisoning or ARP spoofing

-(Used to be a lot more complicated, these days switches and ARP caches mostly all act the same)

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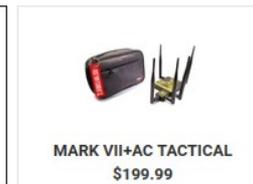
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WiFi Pineapple E-Book



MK7AC WiFi Adapter



Stubby Antenna 3 Pack

WiFi security

Basically three use cases

- Open
- Personal (e.g., a passphrase)
- Enterprise

<https://securityuncorked.com/2022/07/wifi-security-the-3-types-of-wifi-networks/>

WiFi security in a nutshell

WEP is very, very bad

WPA was only a stop gap

WPA2 is maybe okay for now if you do it right?

WPA3 is better?

WEP: the dawn of wireless

Open just meant unencrypted

Personal meant pre-shared key

No such thing as Enterprise

Top song in 1997: “Candle in the Wind 1997”

WEP encryption

“Wired Equivalent Privacy”

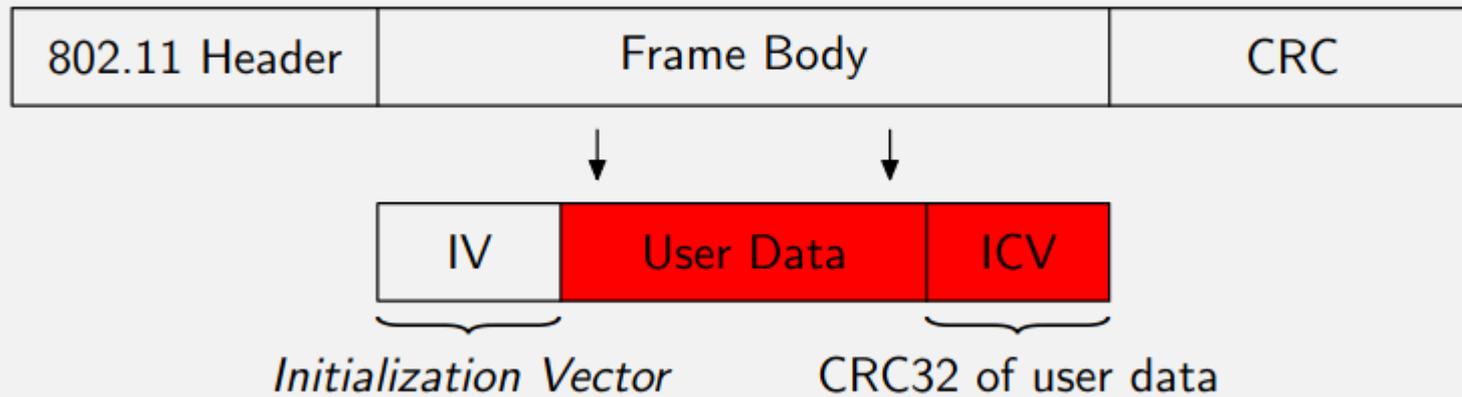
-Have to be physically in a building to plug in, have to know the passphrase to join WiFi (or do you?)

RC4, 40-bit key, 24-bit IV

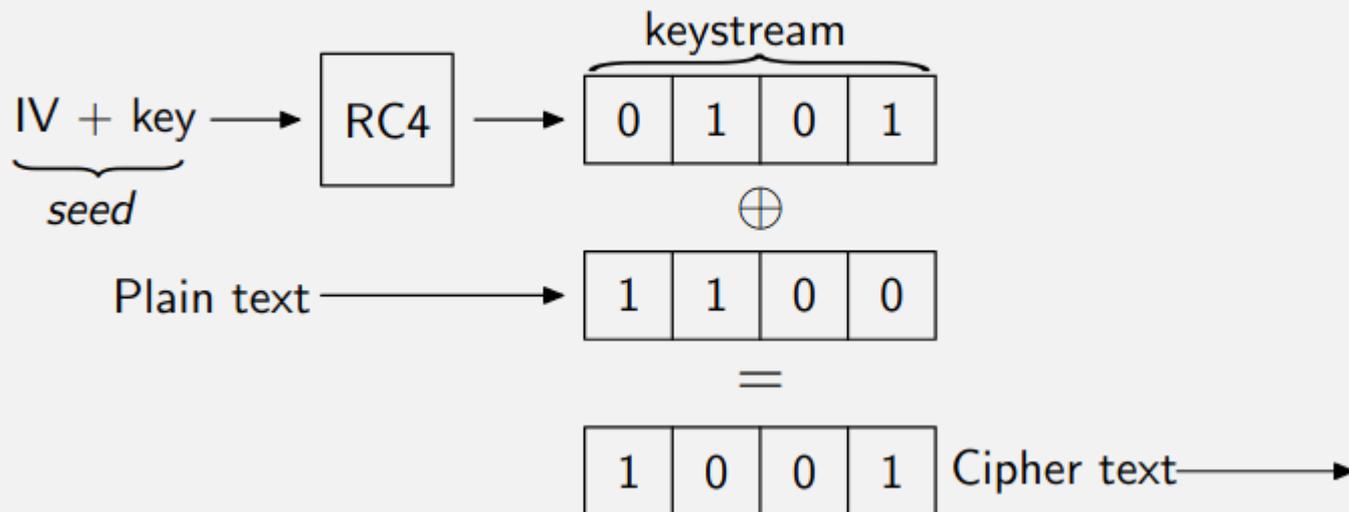
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<https://jedcrandall.github.io/courses/cse468fall2022/wep/198fbe890b692e5296fcf7ad1b015e653ec9.pdf>

Data frame format



Encryption



If cipher-text & plain-text pair is known, their XOR is a keystream.
Known plain-text (LLC/SNAP headers) in IP packets:

802.11 header	0xAA	0xAA	0x03	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x08	0x00
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802.11 header	Cipher-text							
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8 bytes of keystream								
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Can recover 8 bytes of keystream by eavesdropping a packet.

- Can encrypt (and transmit) 8 bytes of arbitrary data.

rc4-3.py

Possible to create statistical biases in the Key Scheduling Algorithm (KSA)

More info:

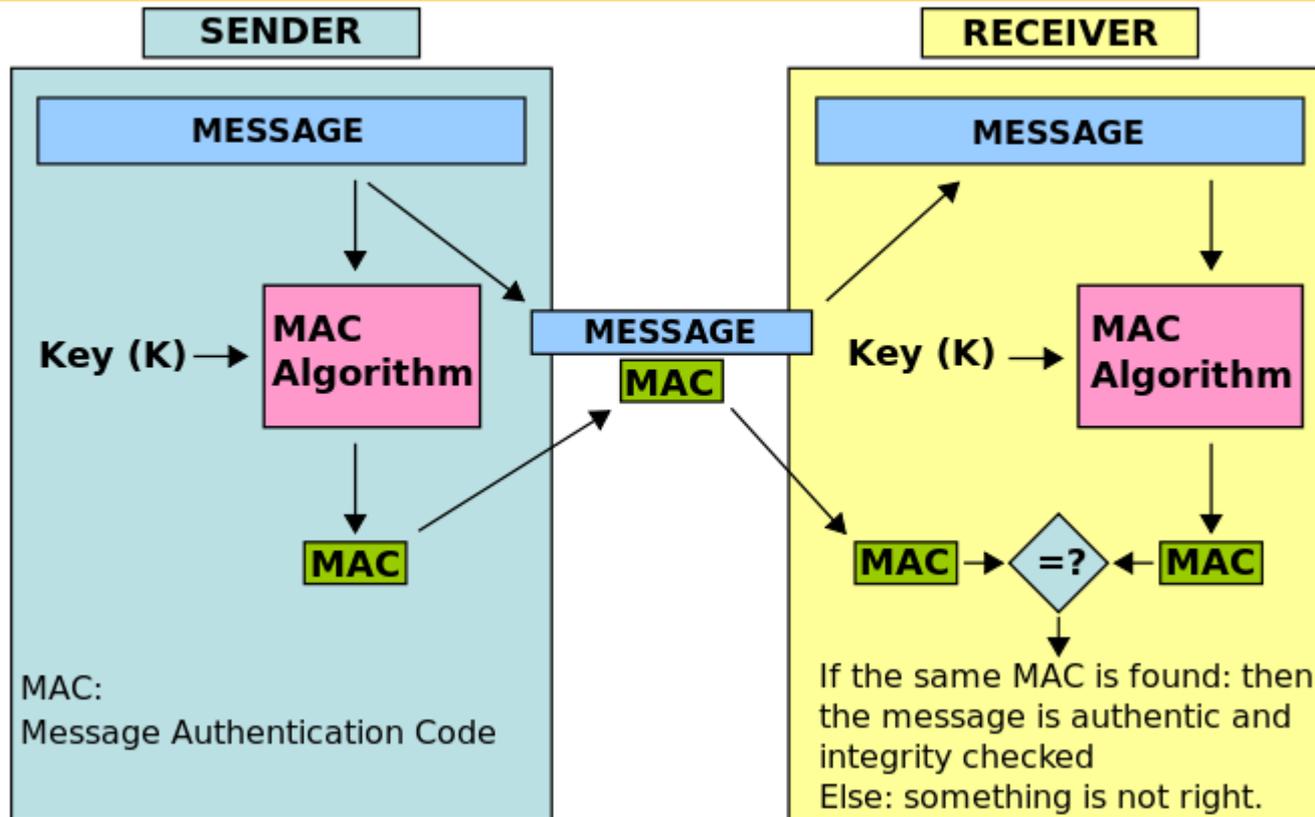
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2o3Hs-JDWLs>

WiFi Protected Access

- Stop gap because of WEP's failures
- Encrypt like it's 1999

Temporal Key Integrity Protocol (TKIP)

- Key mixing with IV and counter instead of concatenation
- Out of order packets rejected by access point
- 64-bit Message Integrity Check (MIC)
 - Same thing as a Message Authentication Code (MAC)



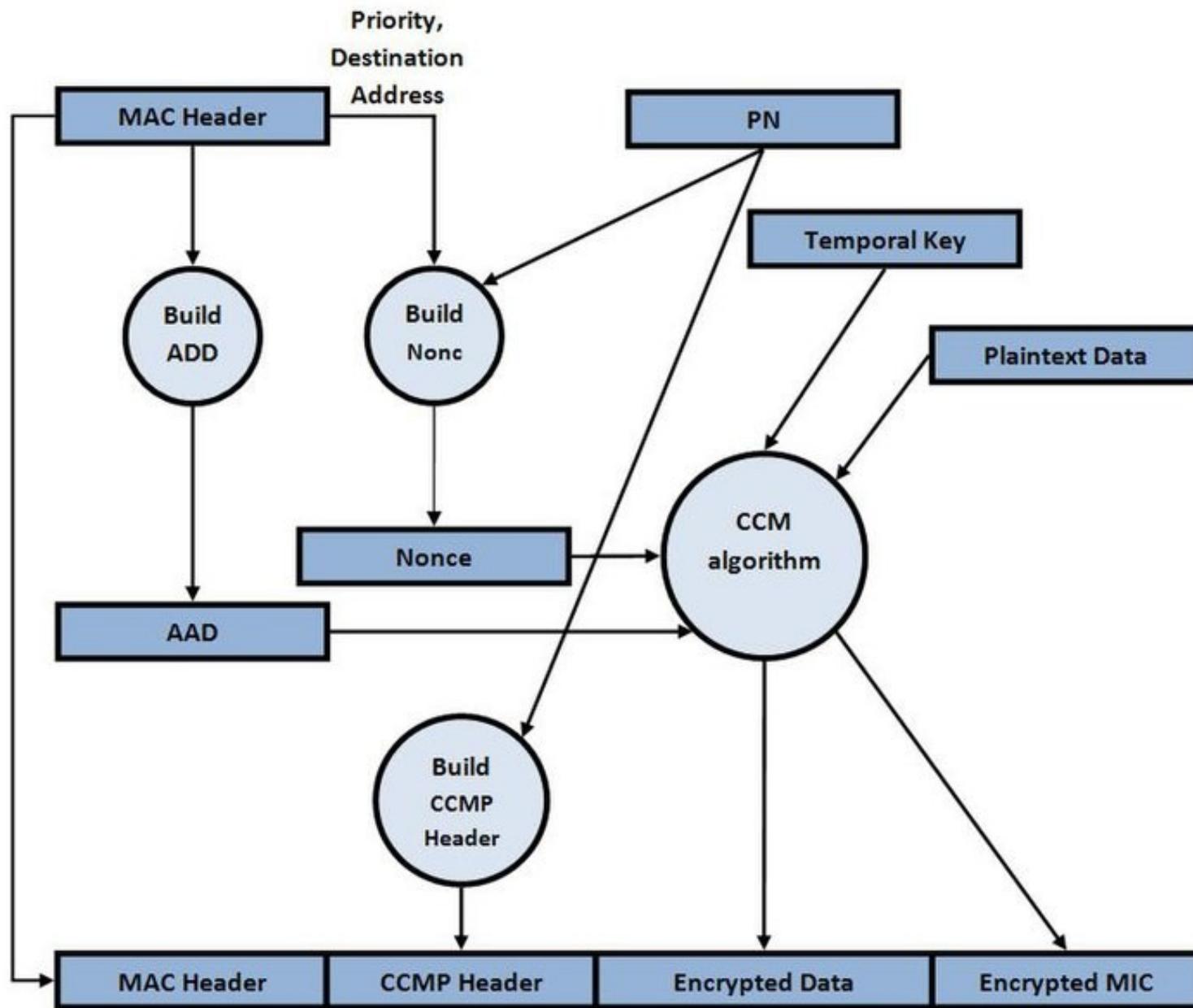
WPA2

Personal vs. Enterprise

Actual solution, not just new WPA version

-Top 2004 pop song: Yeah! (feat. Lil Jon & Ludacris)Usher, Lil Jon, Ludacris

AES and CCMP (Counter Cipher Mode with Block Chaining Message Authentication Code Protocol)



KRACK attacks

-<https://www.krackattacks.com/>

-<https://blog.cryptographyengineering.com/2017/10/16/falling-through-the-cracks/>



Crypto protocol and handshake

WPA2 Enterprise

RADIUS server, Extensible Authentication Protocol (EAP)

- First step of 4-way handshake is, e.g., username and password instead of pre-shared password
- Still vulnerable to KRACK

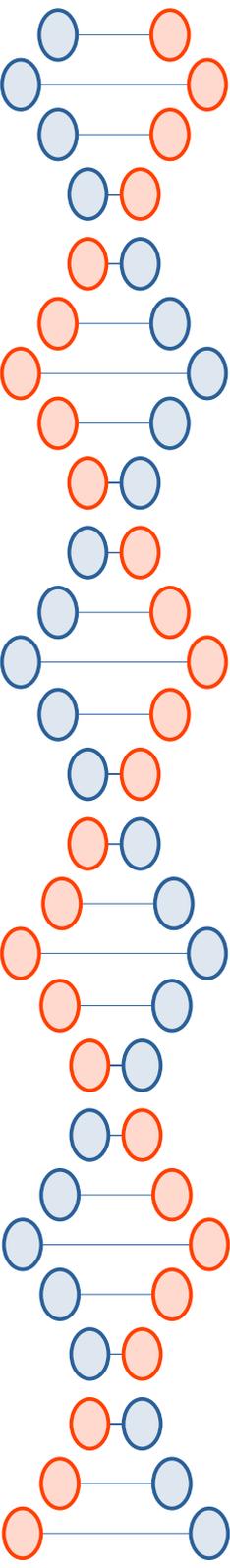
WPA3

Lots of improvements over WPA2

- Top pop song in 2018: "God's Plan" by Drake
- Bigger keys possible: 192-bit equivalent AES-256 GCM and SHA-384 HMAC
- Simultaneous Authentication of Equals (SAE), Diffie-Hellman and forward secrecy
- Open network improvements a.k.a. Enhanced Open (<https://securityuncorked.com/2022/08/wifi-security-wpa2-vs-wpa3/>)

Dragonblood attacks (2019)

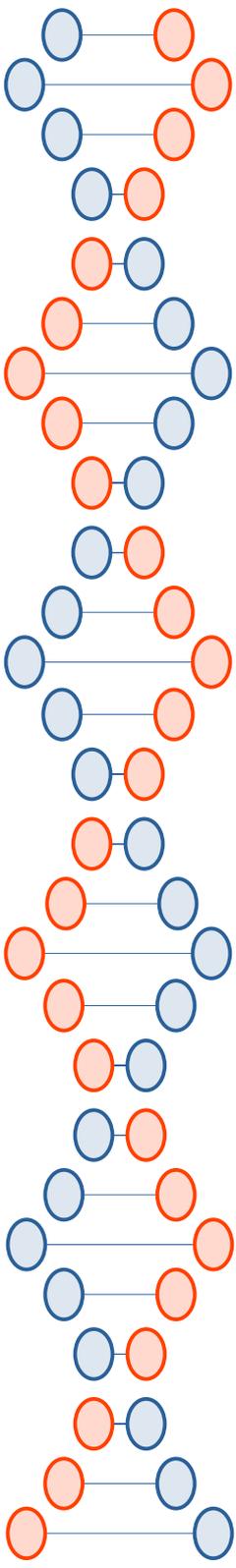
- Side channels and downgrade attacks
- <https://wpa3.mathyvanhoef.com/>



Dragonblood attacks on WPA3

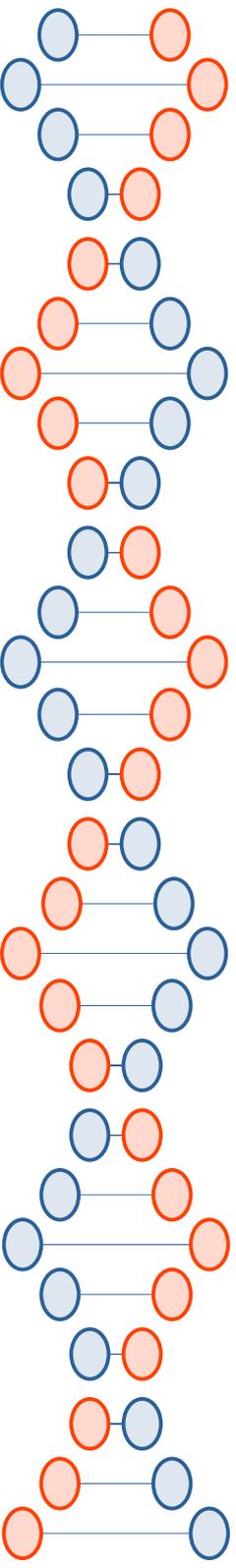
- Downgrade attacks (enterprise)
- Side channel (personal)
- Slides plagiarized from...

<https://papers.mathyvanhoef.com/wac2019-slides.pdf>



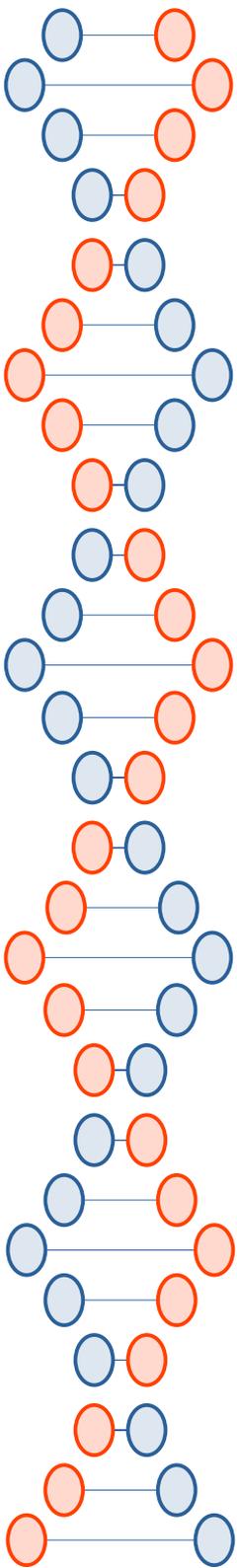
Convert password to MODP element

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for (counter = 1; counter < 256; counter++)  
    value = hash(pw, counter, addr1, addr2)  
    if value >= p: continue  
    P = value(p-1)/q  
return P
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Leaked information: #iterations needed

Client address	addrA	addrB	addrC
Measured			
Password 1			
Password 2			
Password 3			



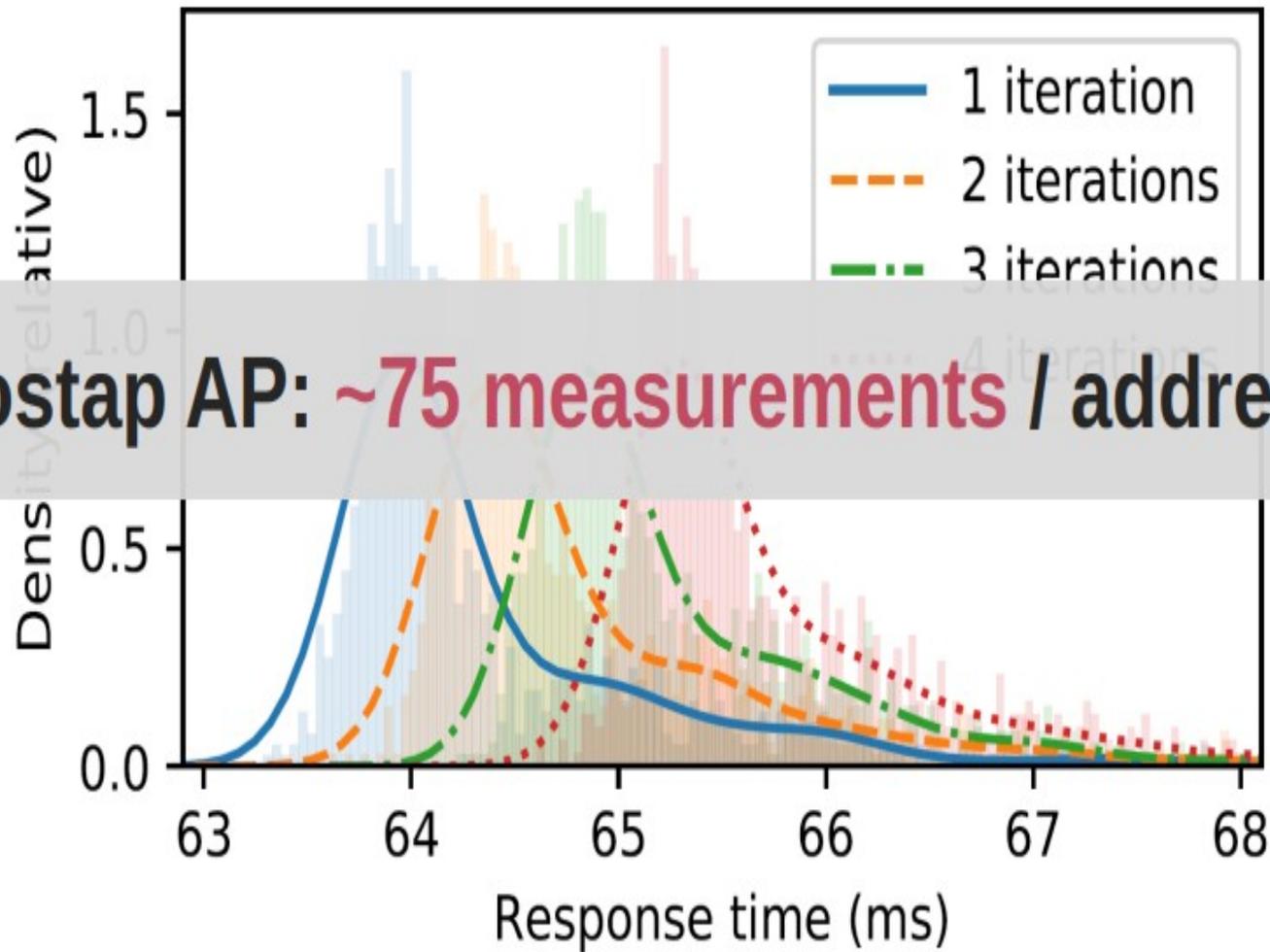
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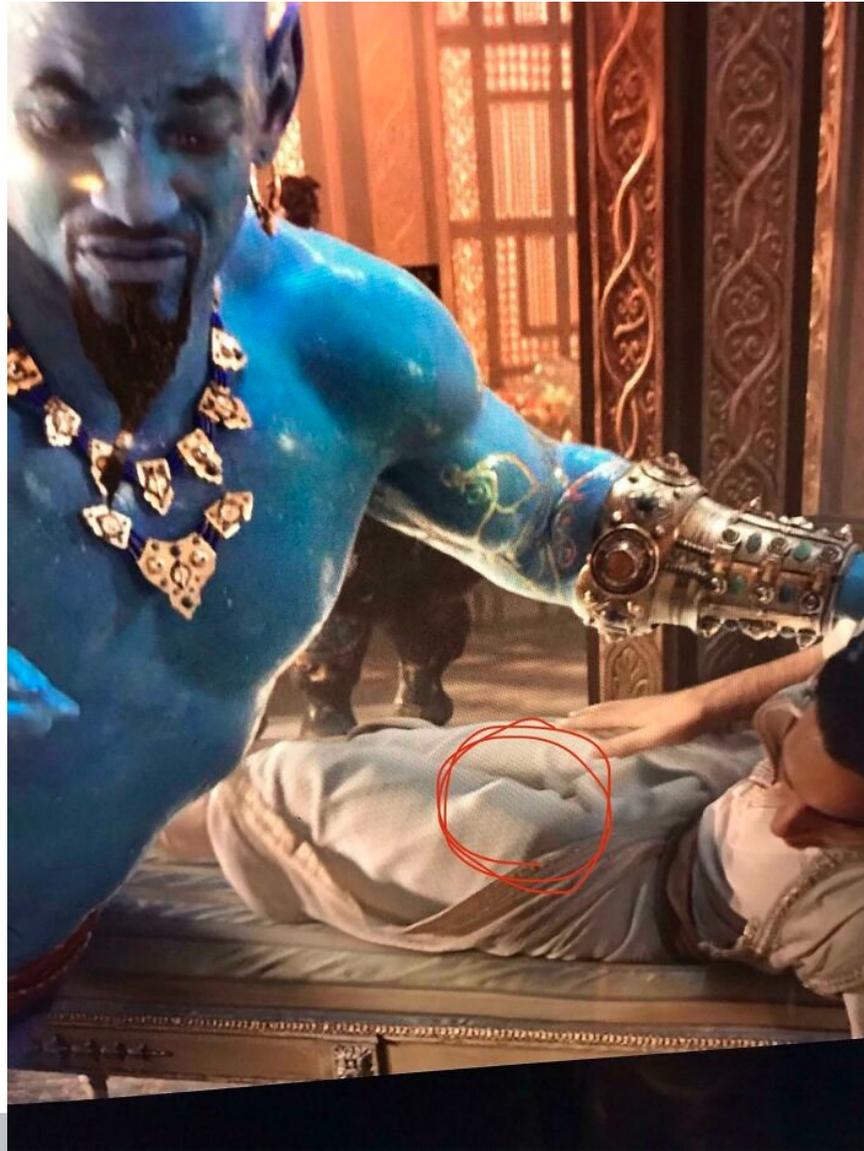
Forms a signature of the password

Need ~17 addresses to determine password in RockYou ($\sim 10^7$) dump

Raspberry Pi 1 B+: differences are measurable



Other applications of radio



3G (cracked?)

A Practical-Time Attack on the A5/3 Cryptosystem Used in Third Generation GSM Telephony

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4G LTE

Authentication in the clear

- User's identity and location are vulnerable, IMSI catchers
- Calls and messages, etc., after are not

Purely symmetric crypto

- No perfect forward secrecy

Not end-to-end

- Only protects between user and base station
- If you've ever visited a network, they have the key

Curve25519 (asymmetric), end-to-end, and other improvements

-<https://datatracker.ietf.org/meeting/113/materials/slides-113-hrhc-5g-security-privacy-and-surveillance-2022-update-00>

No perfect forward secrecy

IMSI catchers still an issue because of downgrade attacks and implementation issues?

-<https://i.blackhat.com/USA21/Wednesday-Handouts/us-21-5G-IMSI-Catchers-Mirage.pdf>

UHF



Others

Bluetooth

Zigbee

- Physical frame injection

https://www.usenix.org/legacy/event/woot11/tech/final_files/Goodspeed.pdf

ANT+

- Garmin products

Zwave

- Smart homes

- Replay attacks, etc. (<https://github.com/CNK2100/VFuzz-public>)

<https://wigle.net/>

Wired networks

Ethernet

CAN bus

FPD-Link

SONET

ATM

PPP, tunnels, etc.