

10 Things That Are Pissing Me Off

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Caution: The first 3 rows may get wet

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- There's a lot more, but we're sticking to Hacker related ones
- This is cheaper than therapy
- Got so pissed off I'm doing something about some of them, others I need help
- Save discussion till afterwards, I only have 20 minutes

#1 WPA-RADIUS Documentation

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- Been saying 'use WPA-RADIUS' for best security for years
- Ever tried to set it up open source?
- No two sets of documentation is the same
- Every distro a little different
- Took me weeks to get something running
- How is Joe IT guy supposed to do it if I can't?

#1 WPA-RADIUS Documentation

- Decided to write generic laymans instructions
- Distro, vendor generic instructions for building a small WPA-RADIUS system
- Maybe a Wiki for others to submit their own changes and notes about different systems, scripts, ideas, etc.
- Every AP supports it, why is'nt it being used; Because it's confusing as hell.

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- Like many, I have random ideas
- Some better than others
- Some need to be made into products for the greater good
- i.e. Wedding photo download station

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- Got married in the spring, wanted as many photo's as possible. Most guests had digital cameras
- In a moment of brilliance, setup laptop w/ 25-in-one card reader, got everyones pics as they left, an extra 1000 photo's
- Some simple refinements could make a good product to sell to wedding planners and photographers. Put me down for 10% gross
- Need to talk more and not hoard ideas

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- So many useful wireless (and other) tools never develop beyond proof-of-concept
- Airpwn, Karma, Void11
- I can't code so I can't fix it
- I can bribe though!

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- Wireless Village project
- Posted development I think needs to be tackled and reward milestones, feel free to exceed goals
- Beer, 10 years worth of stickers, maybe cash, whatever I can scrape up
- All open source tools with evolution to be freely available
- 8000 hackers together in the same place, why not see what happens when you ask for a tool

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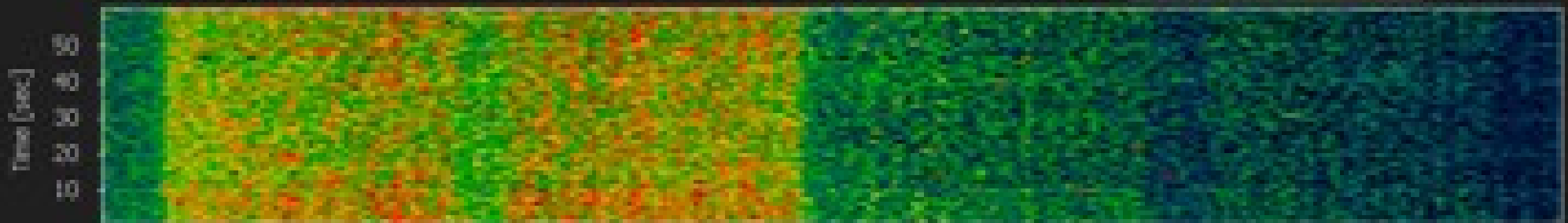
- 40Mhz channels scare me
- Already have issues with interference on 802.11b/g (channel 1,6,11 all very busy)
- Now a neighbor can setup a 802.11n station and stomp all over everyone (Greenfield mode)
- Any ideas what to do about this problem, other than make money consulting and prolonging the problem?
- Discussed in the wireless village, but want to hear from more people

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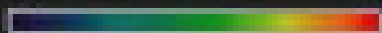
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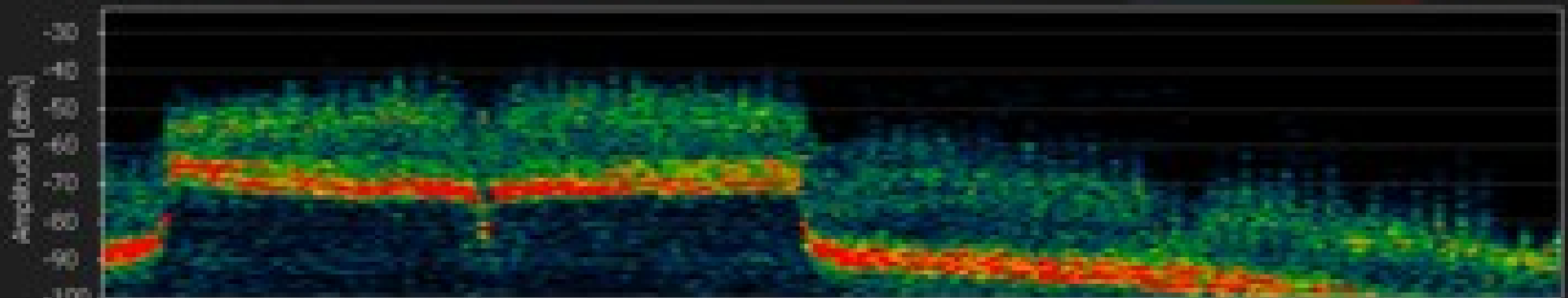
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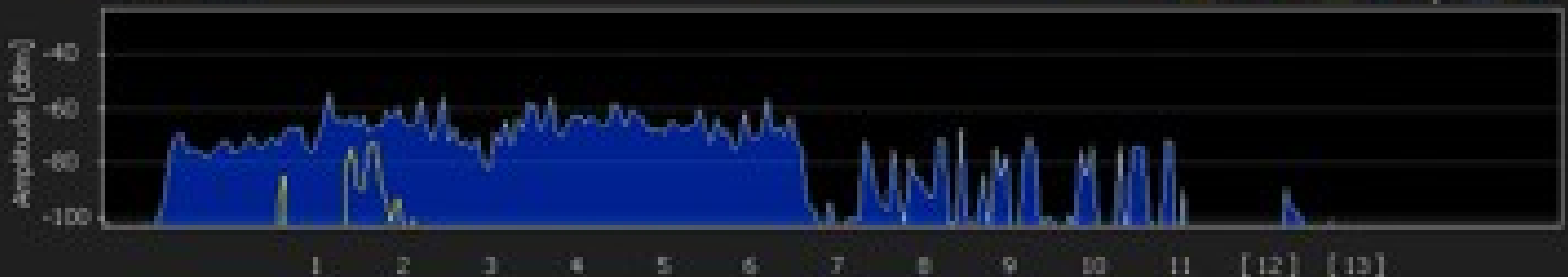
TOPOGRAPHIC VIEW

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PLANAR VIEW

 Current  Average  Max



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- Santa Fe, New Mexico
- Group 'Allergic' to Wi-Fi alleges that Wi-Fi in public buildings is discrimination and violating their rights under ADA
- I'm allergic to stupid, your existence is violation of my rights
- How can you be allergic to a protocol, what about Bluetooth on patrons? Cordless phones? All the other 2.4Ghz devices?
- Has anyone put him in a faraday cage to test?

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- By their own logic, they should probably be dead
- Too many sources to regulate
- I'm allergic to Police band radios, please stop using them
- Easy solution, money out of my own pocket to do it....

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- Why is it that Airplane ticket costs rise and fall over time?
- Edmonton to New York via Toronto is cheaper than Edmonton to Toronto?
- WTF!
- While I file federal complaints....
- Websites that track flight prices over time
- How is this legal!

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New York to Edmonton Via Toronto

	AC707	10:30	12:15	<u>319</u> ★	0	Toronto (YYZ)	-	○ \$162
	AC127	14:45	16:49	<u>320</u> ★	0			

Same Flight!
Same Day!

Toronto to Edmonton

	AC127	14:45	16:49	<u>320</u> ★	0		○ \$219	○ \$264
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#6 Airline Rate Fluctuations

- Not just the TSA with the rectal probe at the airport
- Probably happens a lot, many airlines
- Website to scrape this kind of data and flag discrepancies, or...
- Find connections that are cheaper and just not take the second leg
- Give consumers the tools to file complaints, fight back
- farecast.com w/o the Microsoft buyout

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- Don't throw anything (It's not Shmoocon!)
- Pushing the envelope does wonderful things
- Is that the best use for our talents and time?
- Freezing RAM to extract crypto is cool, but...
- Botnet sizes show more is needed to be done on the basic, before we work on the advanced

#7 There's Too Much Security

- Uncertainty principal/Observer effect – If we observe problems in a protocol or product, we cause a change, usually increased scrutiny by bad guys
- Debian RNG bug was a year old, did it matter?
- How do you get Joe Public to actually do something about the bug you found?
- If we can find ways of stopping the source of problems, the unknown realm won't matter as much

#7 There's Too Much Security!

- Protecting against one-off, low probability attacks instead of making the basics easy
- See thing #1, WPA-Radius instructions
- Nessus Feed changes
- Security compass exploit-me tools
- Easy to use instructions and products to help those who need it
- Welcome discussion later

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- During Hackcon in Norway, Visited Norweigan resistance museum with handful of other hackers
- We suck compared to the stuff these guys pulled off. They were true hackers
- We have a passion for exploration and exploitation but have we forgotten where we came from?
- How many of you can identify this:

#8 We Have No Skills

- It's a Fox Hole radio
- How many could build one?
- Many of us would be clueless/useless without our high tech
- Proposal for next year: Hacker Survival Skills Class
- Old school improvised tech and skills for being useful if things hit the fan

#9 Unpaid Debts

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- “You owe me a beer for that”
- “Thanks, I owe you a beer”
- No simple way to track the 'beer economy' at cons
- Need web programmer for beer-tracker.com
- Mechanism for tracking beer debt and credit
- Print out report at con time and settle debts

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- Possible Beer 'currencies': 1 Guinness = 24 PBR's?
- Cross settling of debts
- A Karma system, but with Beer
- Need a web programmer to help build it
- Start with Defcon, maybe throw it open to other cons and frat houses

#10 Encryption Products

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- Recent decision means border is a no-mans land
- Random laptop search, don't have anything to hide, don't have everything to share
- Like many, I dual boot; Most if not all full drive crypto products won't dual boot
- Truecrypt is Open-Source, someone please fix this
- Goes back to #1, make it easy to use

Conclusion

- Feel free to question/challenge/berate me after I get off stage
- I'll be in the wireless village
- Tool evolution milestones are already posted in the wireless village
- Looking for volunteers for next year to teach oldschool hacker survival tactics

Thank You

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