Teaching Privacy & Security

via Free Software



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Who Is This Guy?

- Free Software advocate, sometime contributor
- Founder and head of <u>Yale Privacy Lab</u>
- Lecturer in Law at Yale Law School
- Director of Business Development at <u>Purism</u>
- The dude who won't shut up about ultrasonic spying via microphones.



Cybersecurity Class

Law 20310 | First Cohort: Fall 2018

Prof. Scott Shapiro, Laurin Weissinger, Me

Our class is an introduction to cybersecurity, privacy, anonymity, and cryptography via hands-on activities.

Students learn cybersecurity concepts so that they may better engage issues at the policy and regulatory level.

https://github.com/seandiggity/yls-cybersec

Pedagogical Approach

- Hands-on, practical learning
- Simple exercises to introduce complex concepts
- Cover a broad range of cybersecurity topics
- Break down conceptual barriers ("what is an operating system?")
- Free Software, Open Hardware
- There are no magic bullets! Security takes time.











Weeks 1-3

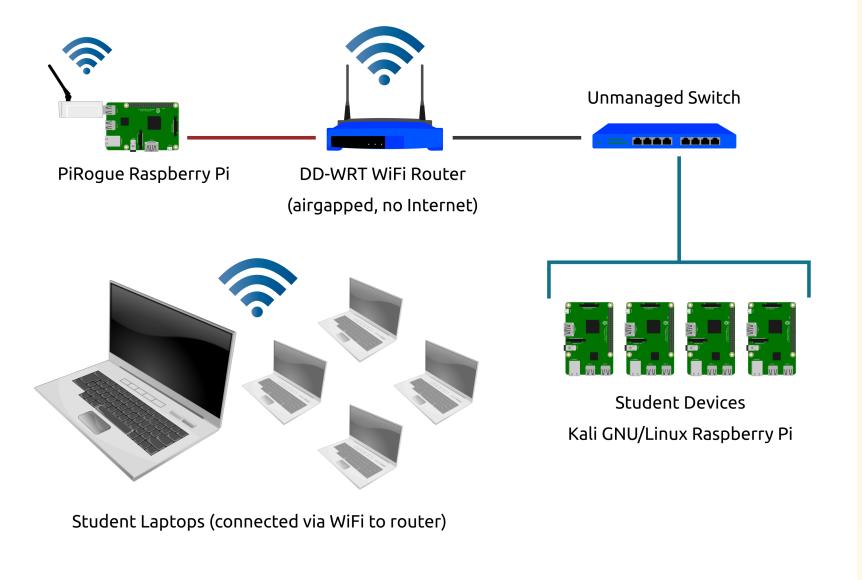
Getting to Know Your Mini-Computer

- Raspberry Pi assembly
- Command Line Interface (CLI) basics (e.g. Is, cd, pwd, mv, cp, chmod, ifconfig, useradd, sudo)
- Controlling Your Raspberry Pi via SSH

Operating Systems

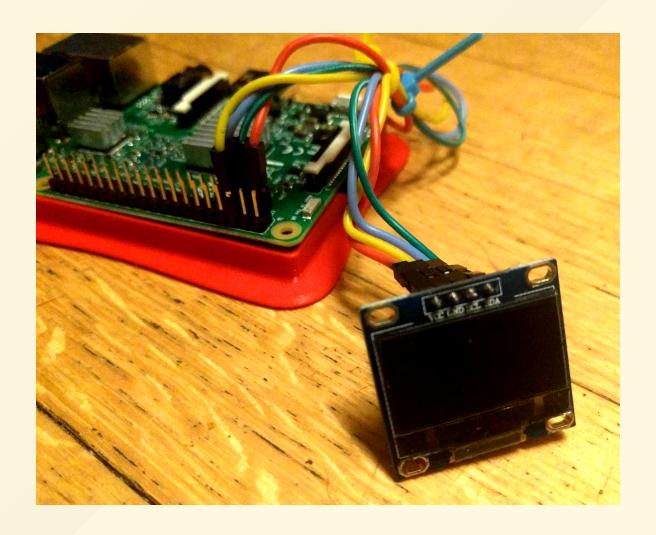
- The Kernel, Userspace, Rootkits
- Admin / Root Access

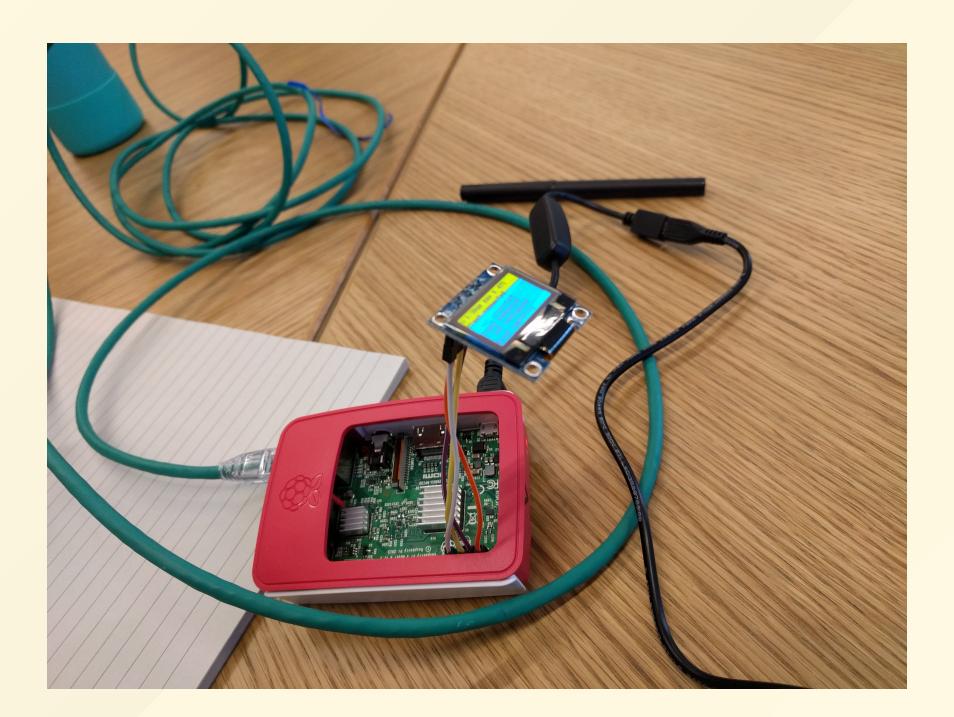
Our Classroom Network



Classroom consists of 4 identical, airgapped LANs with this topology







CLI for the Class: hyper.is

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A ~/ # Hyper is an Electron-based Terminal
A ~/ # Built on HTML/CSS/JS
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We chose Hyper for simplicity and compatibility across operating systems.

Example Activity: SSH

- Open the Hyper CLI. Run: ssh user@172.27.1.1
- Type in the password ThatWasEasy
- Type y or yes to say you trust the connection
- Now, run the command ls -lah
- What do you see?

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Welcome to Kali GNU/Linux Rolling (GNU/Linux 4.15.0-29-generic x86_64)

* Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
  * Management: https://landscape.canonical.com
  * Support: https://ubuntu.com/advantage
Linux gnu-linux-thinkpad 4.15.0-29-generic #31-Ubuntu SMP Tue Jul 17 15:39:52 UTC 2018 x86_64

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user@gnu-linux-thinkpad:~$
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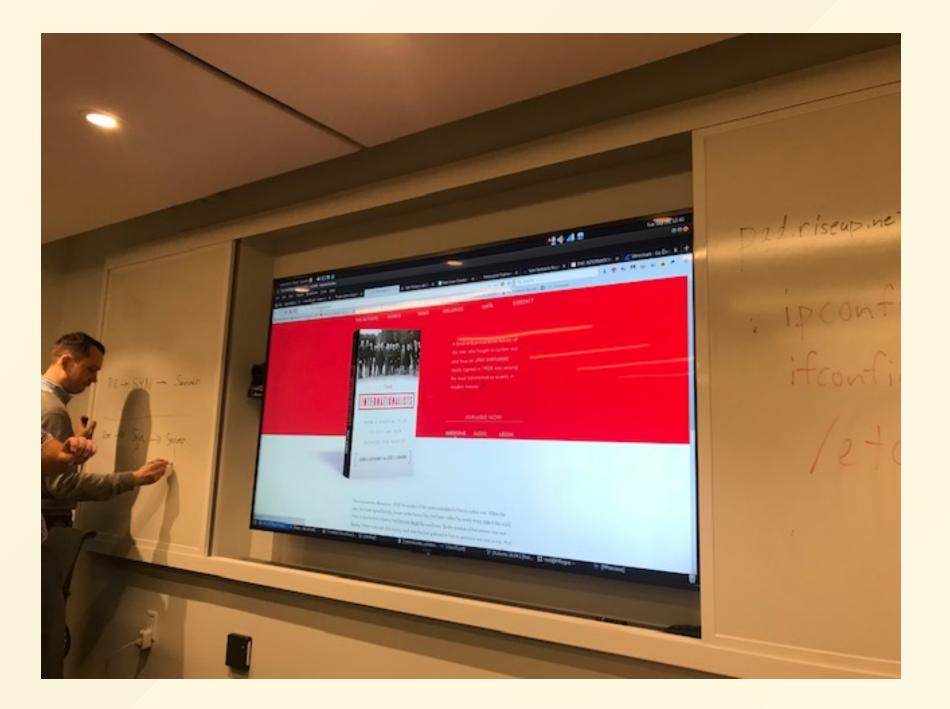
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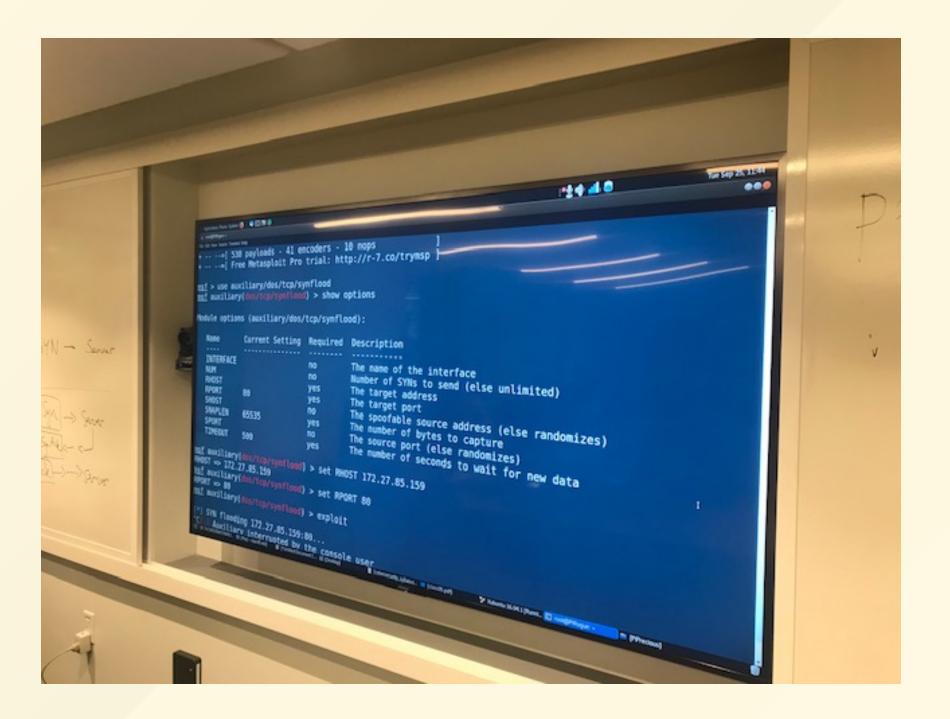
Ownership & Permissions

- Permissions as a Structural Design for Security
- Privilege Escalation Attacks

Normative Structure of a Network

- Networking Models, Addresses, Protocols (e.g. ethernet, TCP/IP, HTTP)
- Distributed Denial-of-Service (DDoS), Man-inthe-Middle (MITM)





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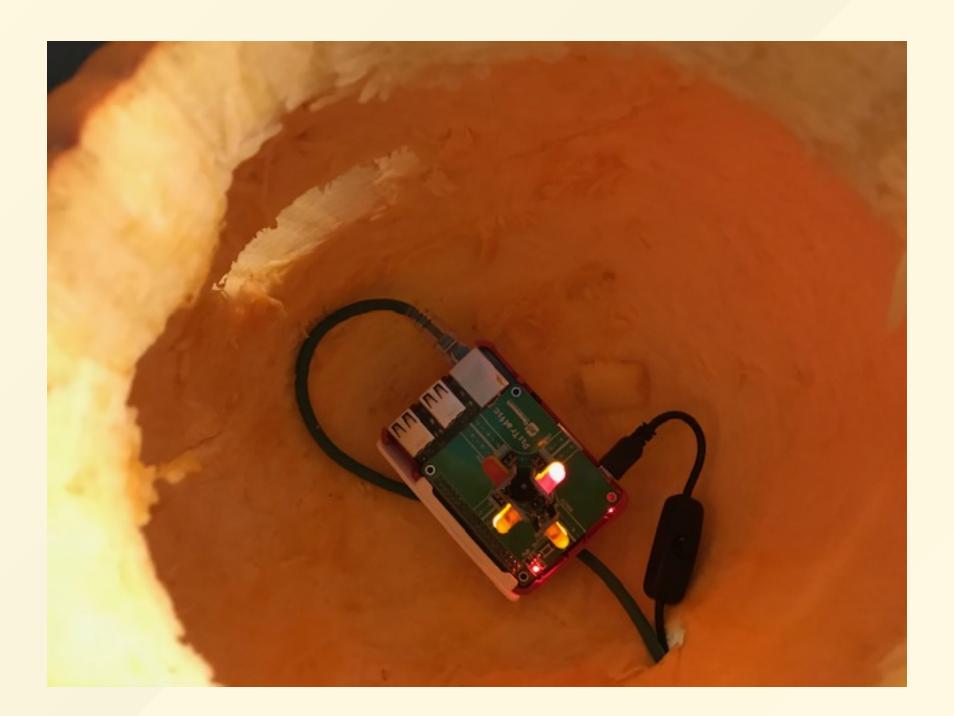
Let us do a seasonal hack: Pwn this Pumpkin!

First step, what are we hacking here?

Use command:

nmap 192.168.1.122 -v -0

-v stands for verbose (not needed here but interesting





https://github.com/seandiggity/yls-cybersec/blob/master/PumpkinPi.md

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Weeks 7-8

Secrecy & Encryption

- Obfuscation & Hashes
- Encryption keys
- Asymmetric, symmetric, and hybrid
- Encryption algorithms
- Detailed description of RSA algorithm

Weeks 9-10

Anonymity & The Dark Web

- Onion Routing (Tor)
- Sharing Files Anonymously
- Guest: Shari Steele, Tor Project leader

Cybercrime

- Ransomware, Fraud, and Phishing
- Tor hidden services and data exfiltration
- Data Breaches

Where Free Software fits in:

It's not a guarantee of privacy and security, but it is a prerequisite for it.

"Thanks Captain Obvious!"

- Concepts that may be familiar to "us" (hackers, Free Software folks) need to be explained and emphasized for a new generation.
- The following examples are from our "Chain of Trust" class and illustrate this approach.

Verifiability

Source code must be available in a <u>preferred form</u> to be read and audited by researchers and the public, for much the same reason scientific results should be available (and intelligible) for scrutiny.

Ideally, the results of compilation should be reproducible. Reproducible builds are an exciting step toward true verifiability.

Free & Open-Source Software (FOSS)

"Open Source" is often a business term for <u>Free</u> <u>Software</u>. The "free" means "freedom" (*libre*) but, usually, it also costs nothing (*gratis*).

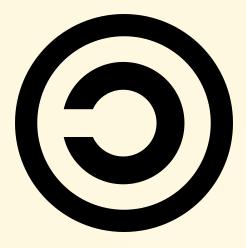
Synonyms: Software libre, FLOSS.



Copyleft

A "hack" of copyright designed to replenish the digital or creative commons. Copyleft licenses like the GNU GPL or CC BY-SA require that the same rights to use, modify, remix, and share apply to all software recipients.

Synonyms: Share-Alike



Why Does Software Licensing Matter for Privacy and Security?

- If you can read the source, or an expert can audit it, then you can verify the software has the security features it promises.
- If you can read the source, or an expert can audit it, it's very hard to hide malicious features in it.
- Bugs are also easier to hunt down and fix because "given enough eyeballs all bugs are shallow".
- <u>Patches</u> are quickly applied because there is minimal legal friction.

Weeks 11-12

Chains of Trust

- Certificates, SSL/TLS
- Sofware Repositories, Hardware Supply Chain

Penetration Testing

- Metasploit Framework
- Privilege escalation attack FTP server
- Exploited Ingreslock back door in IRC protocol
- Install keylogger on remote machine using meterpreter

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Initiating SYN Stealth Scan at 11:28
Completed SYN Stealth Scan at 11:28, 3.44s elapsed (1000 total ports)
 Initiating OS detection (try #1) against 192.168.1.122
 Retrying OS detection (try #2) against 192.168.1.122
 Retrying OS detection (try #3) against 192.168.1.122
 Retrying OS detection (try #4) against 192.168.1.122
 Retrying 05 detection (try #5) against 192.168.1.122
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.122
 Host is up (0.0012s latency).
  Not shown: 998 closed ports
  PORT STATE
                 SERVICE
                 ssh
  22/tcp open
  53/tcp filtered domain
  No exact OS matches for host (If you know what OS is running on it, see https://nmap.org/submit/
  TCP/IP fingerprint:
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IP ID Sequence Generation: Incremental
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   Read data files from: /usr/oin/../smare/nmap
OS detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
             Raw packets sent: 1107 (53.926KB) | Rcvd: 1094 (46.494KB)
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Week 13

Threat Modeling

- Risks and Vulnerabilities
- Operational Security (OPSEC)

Final Projects

We asked students to hack a device or demonstrate an exploit.

Final Project Examples:

- Activating microphone remotely and eavesdropping on conversations.
- Cracking weak WiFi access point passwords using dictionary attack.
- Website defacing, SQL injection, cross-site scripting.
- DDoS, MITM, other network-based attacks.
- Spoofing digital signatures with weak algorithms (MD5)

https://privacylab.yale.edu/digital-id.html



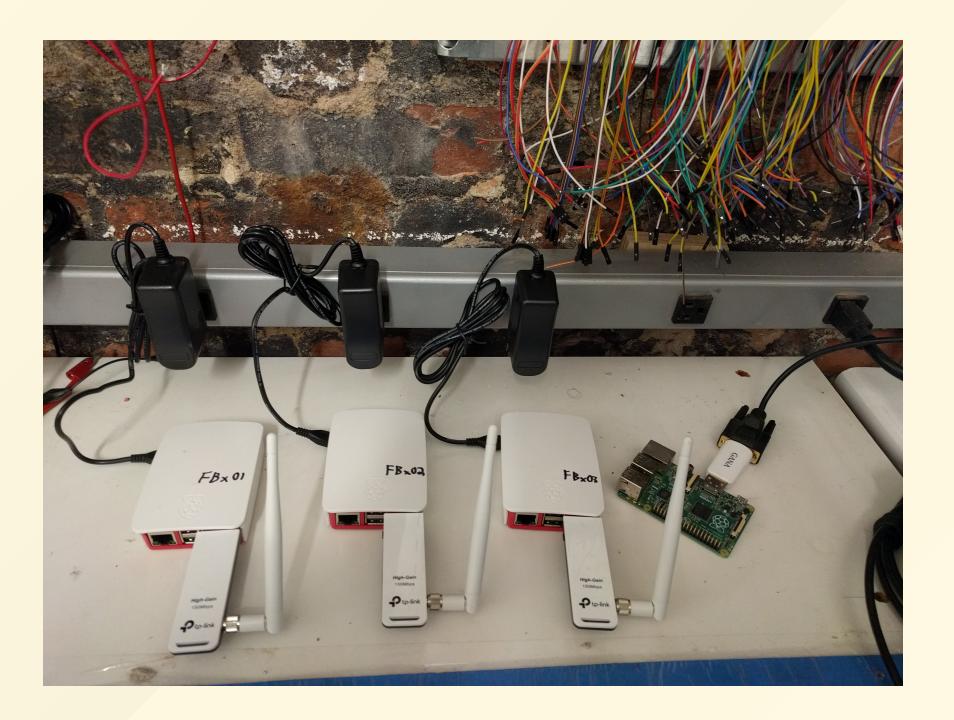


Yale Privacy Lab

- Ad-hoc Digital Self-Defense workshops
- Static and network analysis of mobile apps for privacy auditing



- Creates a feedback loop with the cybersecurity curriculum. "Got a privacy question? Come to next week's Privacy Lab workshop..."
- We can prove how important privacy is by demonstrating exploits and how encryption, anonymity, etc. protect users.



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