Rogue APs for "Penetration Testers"

A tongue-in-cheek soldering iron-in-hand look at hiding rogues

Introduction

- Penetration tester for a Rhode Island based consulting company
- Security in Healthcare
- PaulDotCom Security Weekly http://pauldotcom.com
- Co-Author of Linksys WRT54G Ultimate Hacking from Syngress Publishing

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- Rogue APs are not new!
- Just a different way to think about it

Inspiration

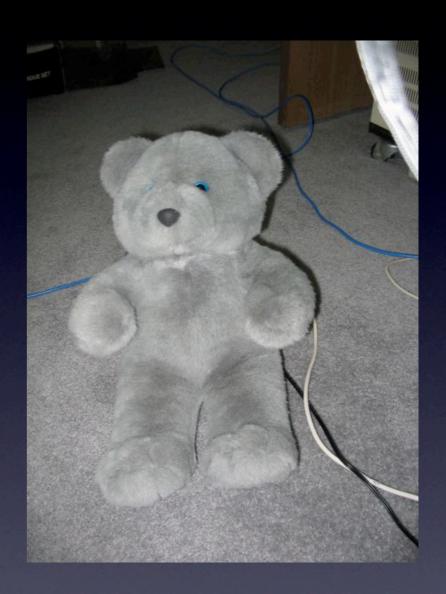
 A man who stuffs stuff inside of other stuff: (and no, not like that)



The first hack

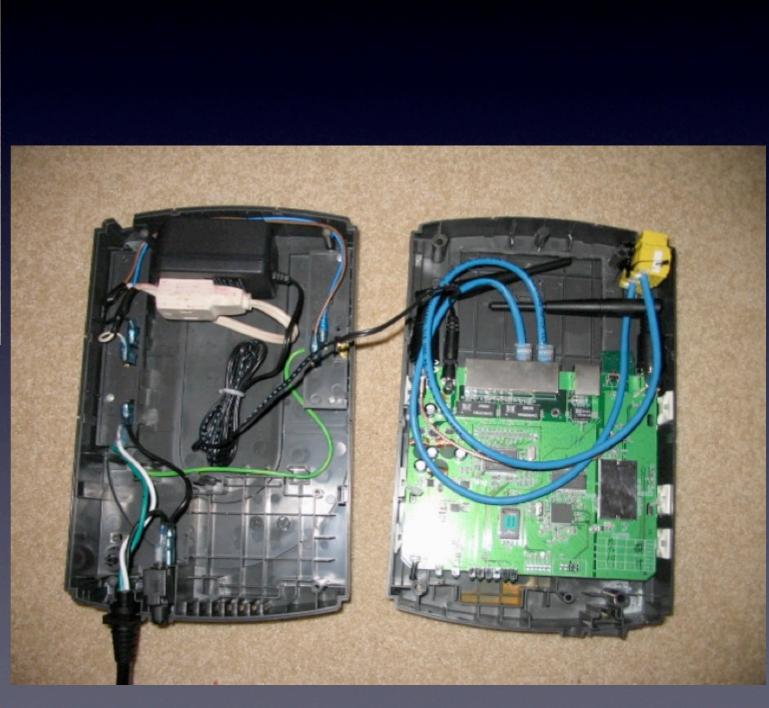
Not something found in an office environment





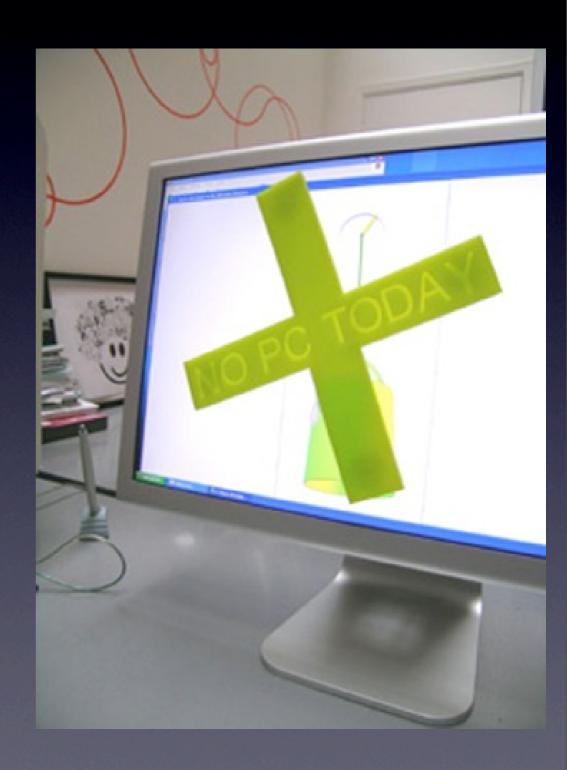
Now that's better...





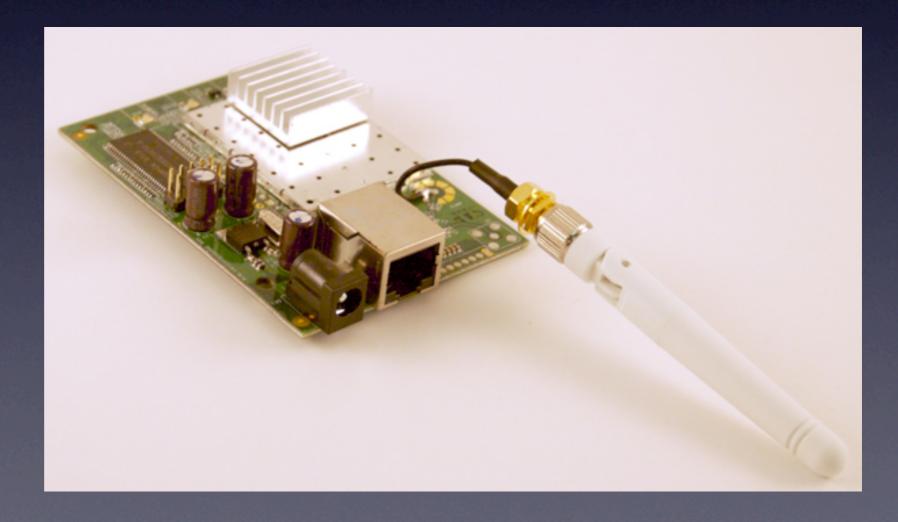
So, what else?

- What else is in a typical office environment that should be connected to a network
- Leave out the obvious PCs and Laptops
- Now with more evil, more bastard!



First, the AP

- LaFonera FON
- Supports OpenWRT



One ethernet?

Help desk, my device is not functioning

How do we make the AP and device

function?

We need more ports!



Insert one hub...

• Netgear EN104



More Challenges?

- Keep host device functional
- Size
- NAC
- Sacrificial Device
- And more...

Creative soldering...

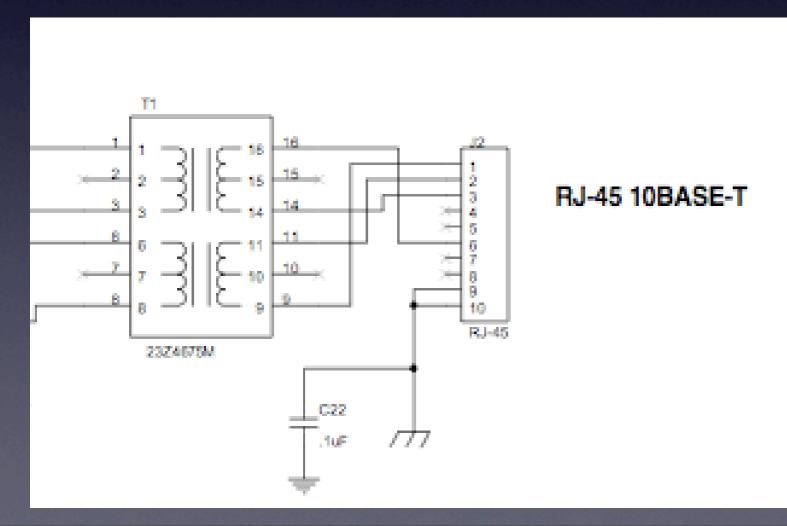
- To make our device small, we need to have some fun
- Move/remove all ethernet ports and power connectors (too big!). Lay down capacitors where needed.
- Trim boards, and jumper the bits we remove
- Ethernet for La Fonera, and for host!

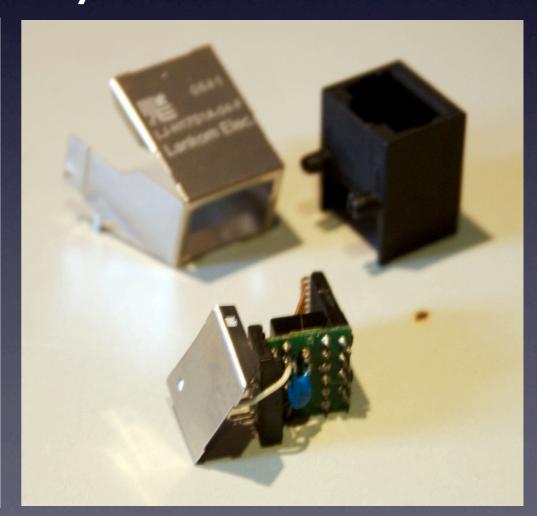




Ethernet ports

- One of the most difficult portions
- Electrically isolated
- Port removal and disassembly!





You look like a Dork!



Power

- Fon needs 5v DC, Hub need 5v DC
- Don't want extra cables
- Find "vampire power" internally
- Matching voltage?

Even easier?

• The NEW La Fonera! - The FON+



Gaining access via Wireless



- Our own config, high risk
- Similar to corporate config, moderate risk
- Identical to corporate config, low risk
- Timed config change, moderate/low risk

Let's start talking "hosts"

- Now that we have our requirements...
- What can we find in an office environment?
- Time to add the more evil and more bastard!

Printers!

One of the most ubiquitous pieces of tech

in most offices





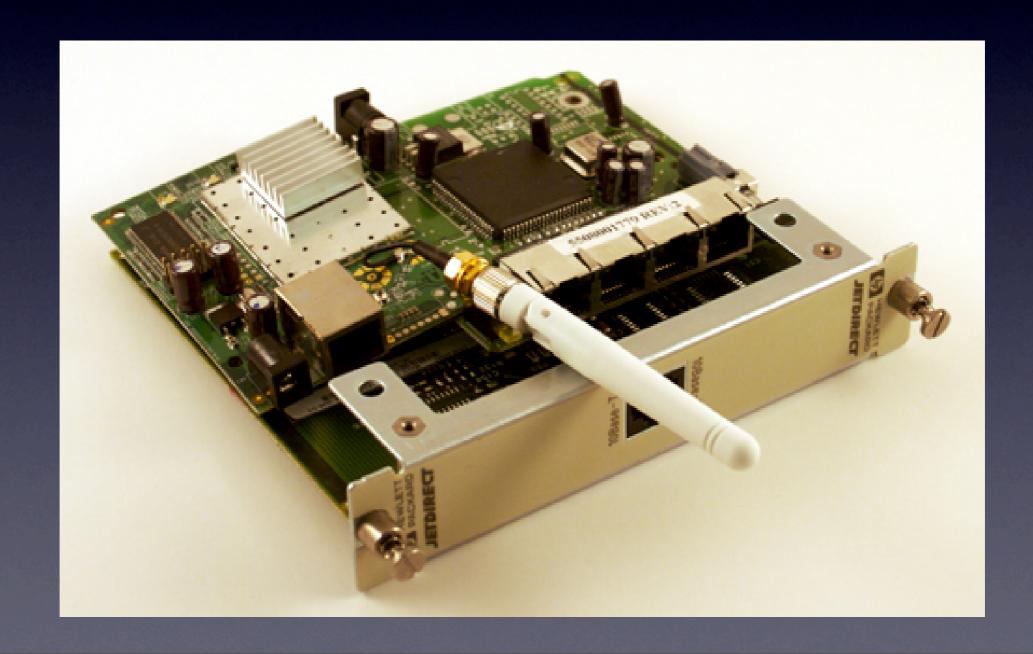
Mmm, ethernet

Let's start with the beginning: the HP MIO



This should be easy..

Look ma, plenty of room!



Old tech



Dead Printer Storage!



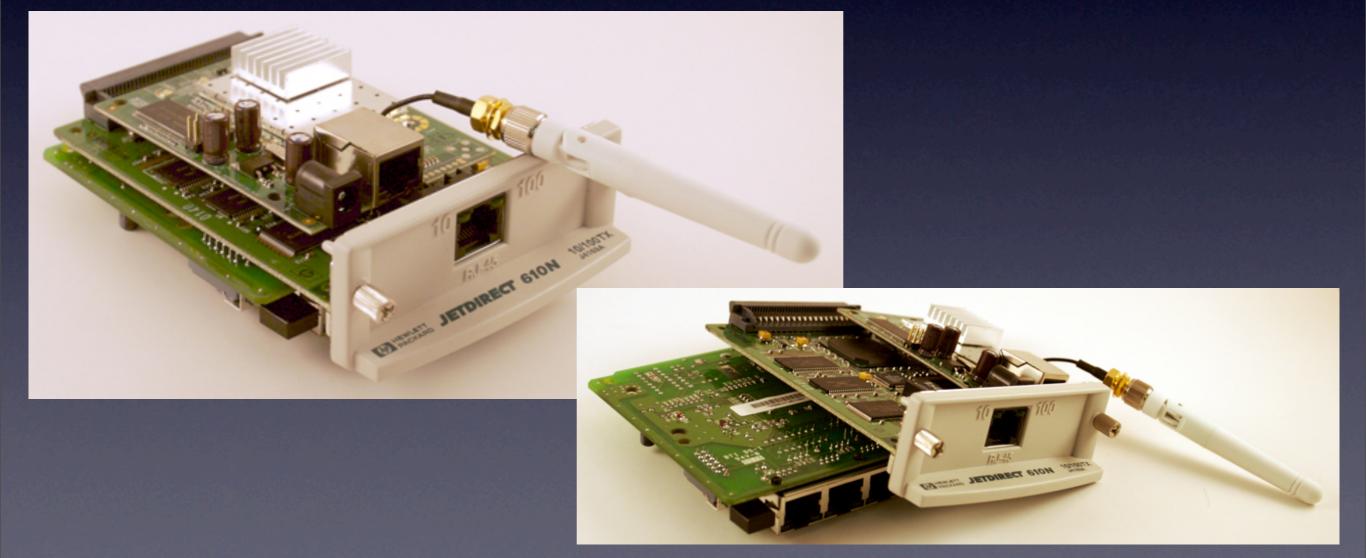
E-I-E-I-O?

• HP's upgrade to MIO - EIO!



Tight fit...

 This is where the real creative soldering/ cutting comes in...



The fun we could have had...





...if only it would work



But wait, there's more!









Will it blend fit?





Old tech?



Ok, what next?



Multifunction devices!

- More ethernet!
- About EIO form factor
- Canon, amongst others
- Print, Copy
- Network Scan and Fax!



What about here?



All signs point to yes!



Or here?





Alarm Panel



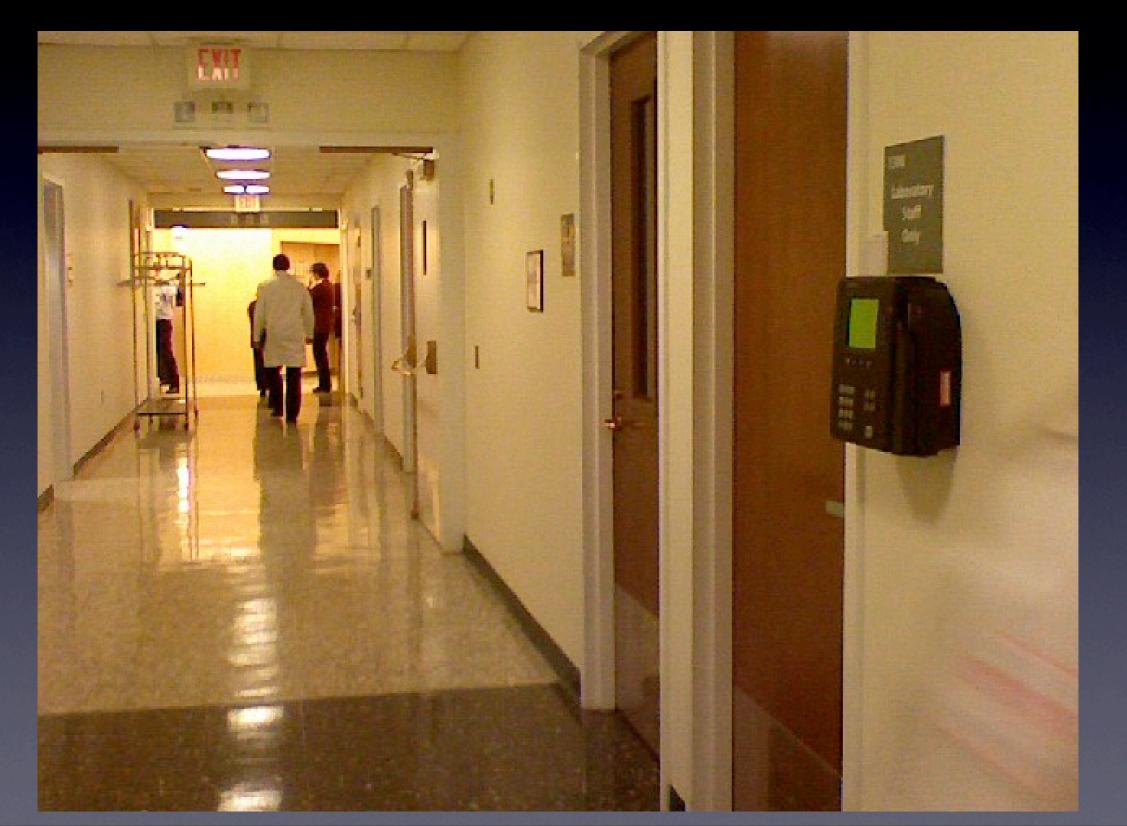
Or here?



Climate Control



Or here?



Timeclock?





You can count on it





Meetings...



I can see the light!



Where can in find one?

Search Google:

Click here to find classrooms with ceiling mounted data projection systems

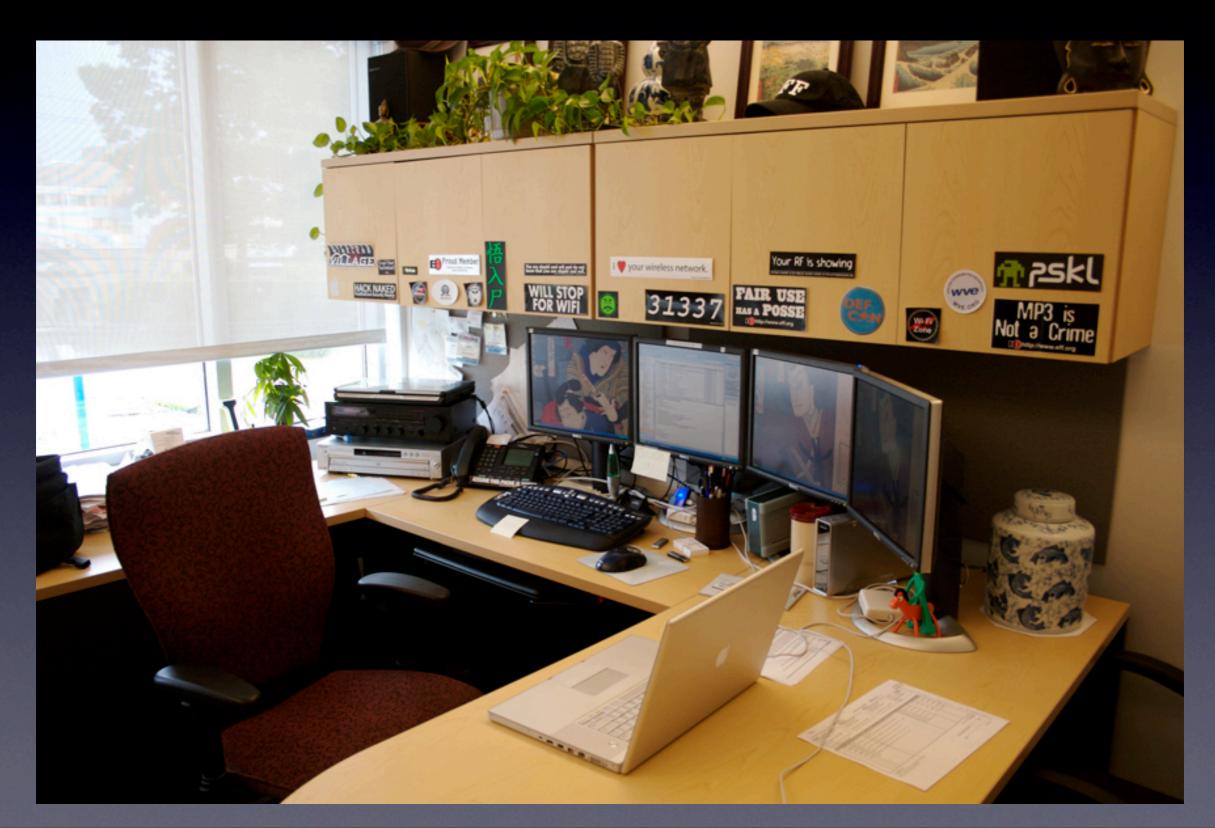
To reserve a classroom with this equipment, contact the Registrar at 637-5252.

• Take a trip:

NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE

Naperville, IL

Or here?



Hmm...



Or here?

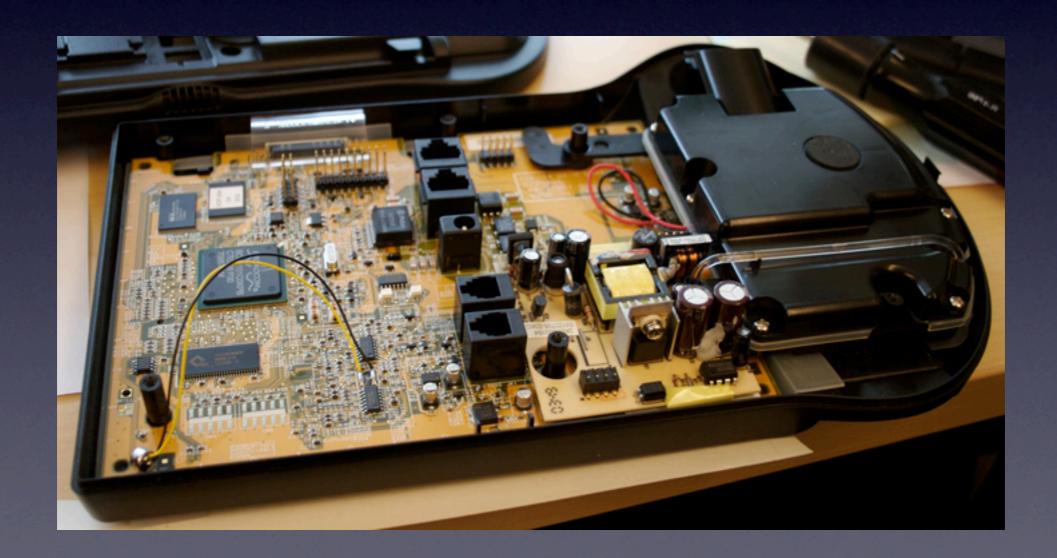


VOIP!



The insides..

- 2 Ethernet ports
- Power via POE

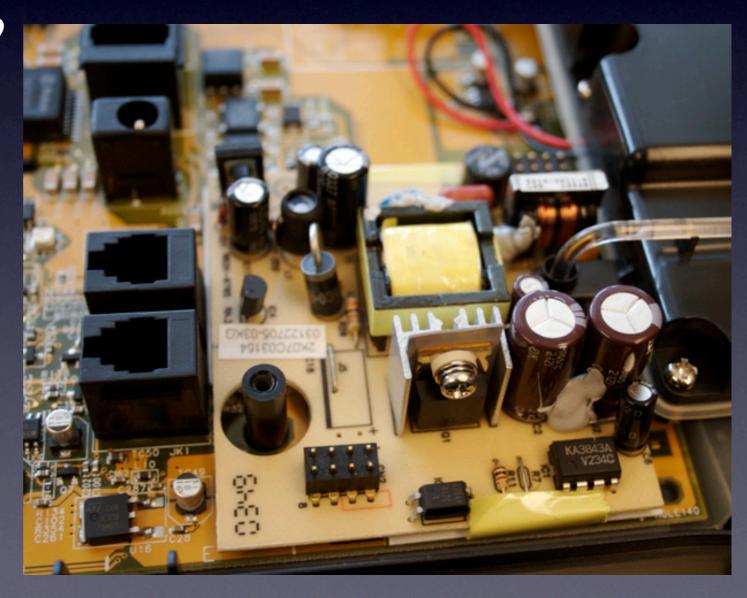


But...POE

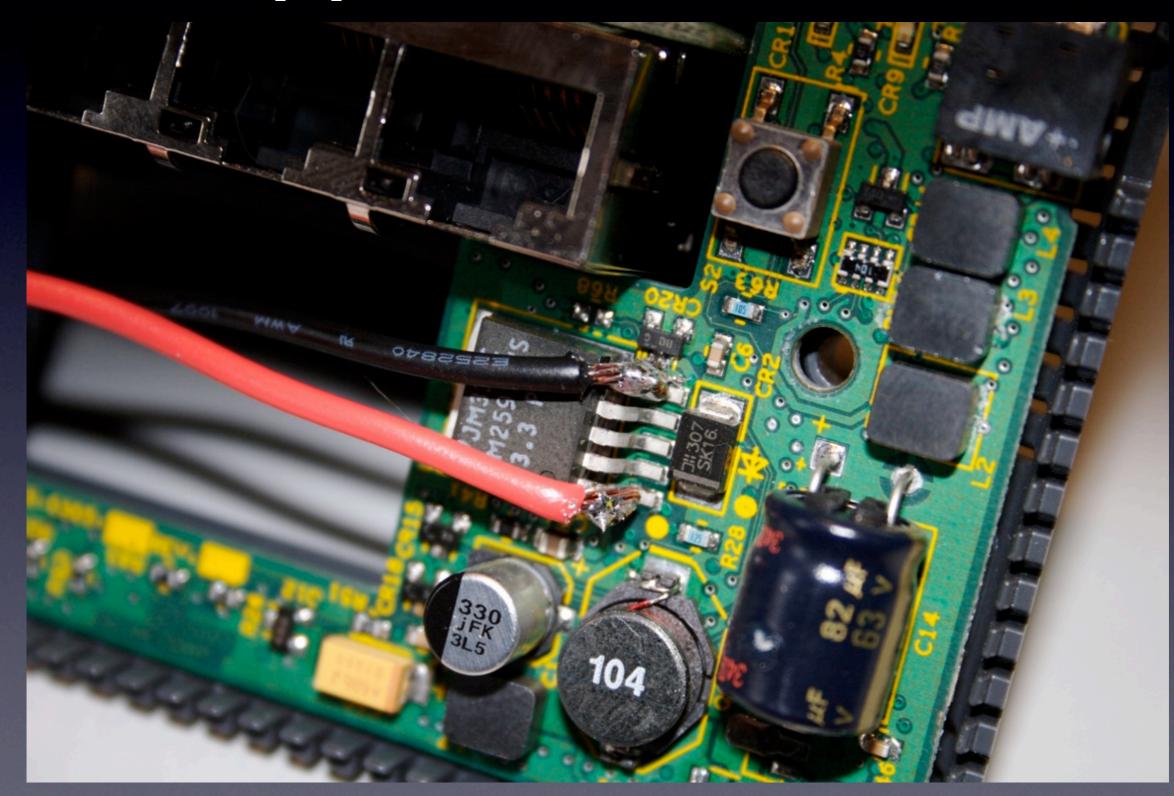
802.3af requires special signaling

What about down stream after all that has

been done for us?



Tapped in the head



Secure area?

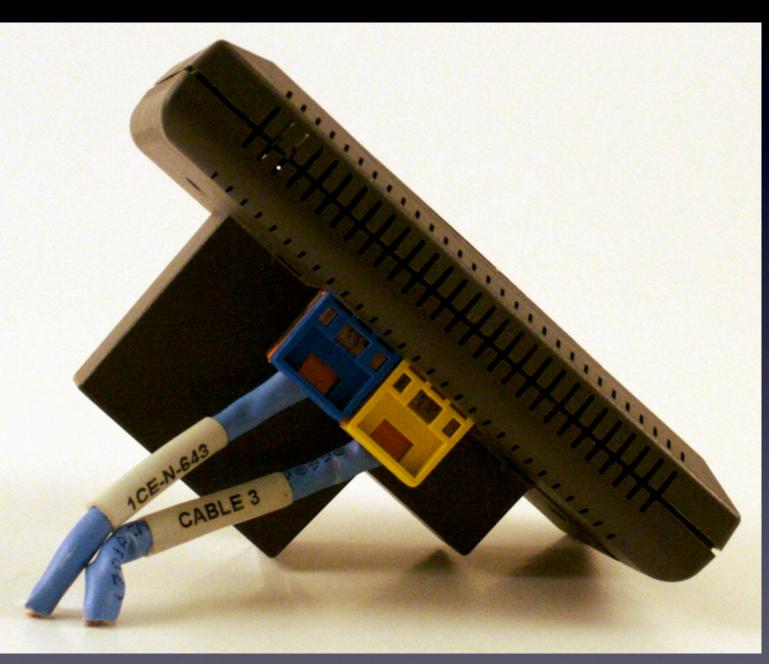
- But Larry, those phones are in a "secure" area!
- Locked door, restricted, supervised access.

Keep guests happy...



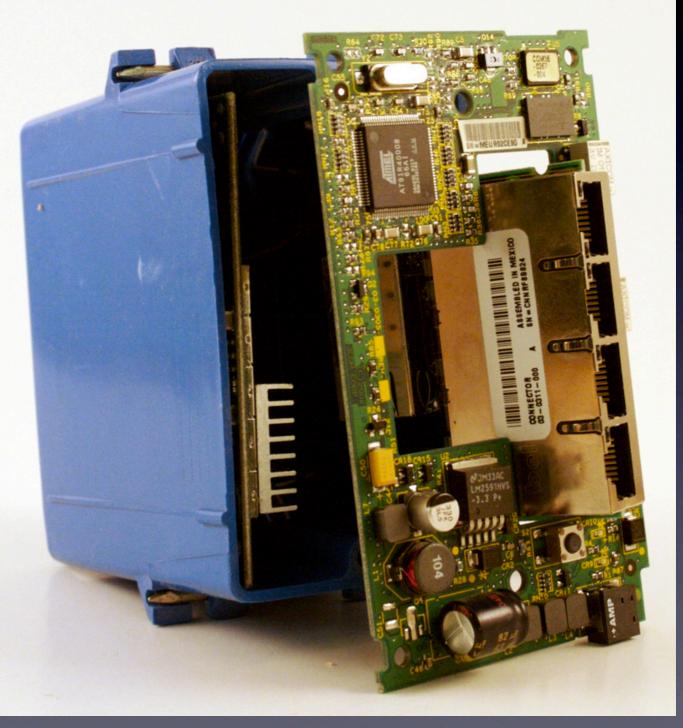
...even this...





...can turn into this





But what about...

- We've covered a bunch of office technology.
- But what about wireless APs!?

This looks fun!







Just a few examples

- Loads of APs available
- Too many to discuss
- A few I've seen recently

Conclusion?

- Plenty of items in an office environment to deconstruct
- Often great places for APs
- How many will find a device that looks and acts just like it is supposed to, but with a surprise?

A little different

- Use OpenWRT to create a WDS (or WET)
- Bridge AP to wireless, connect via same/ times wireless
- Hide it
- ?????
- Profit!?

Endless possibilities

- If it has power, we can tap it
- There's always a battery!



Just for fun...

- These do rely on WDS or bridging wireless
- Small battery? In some cases yes.

Goatse AP?



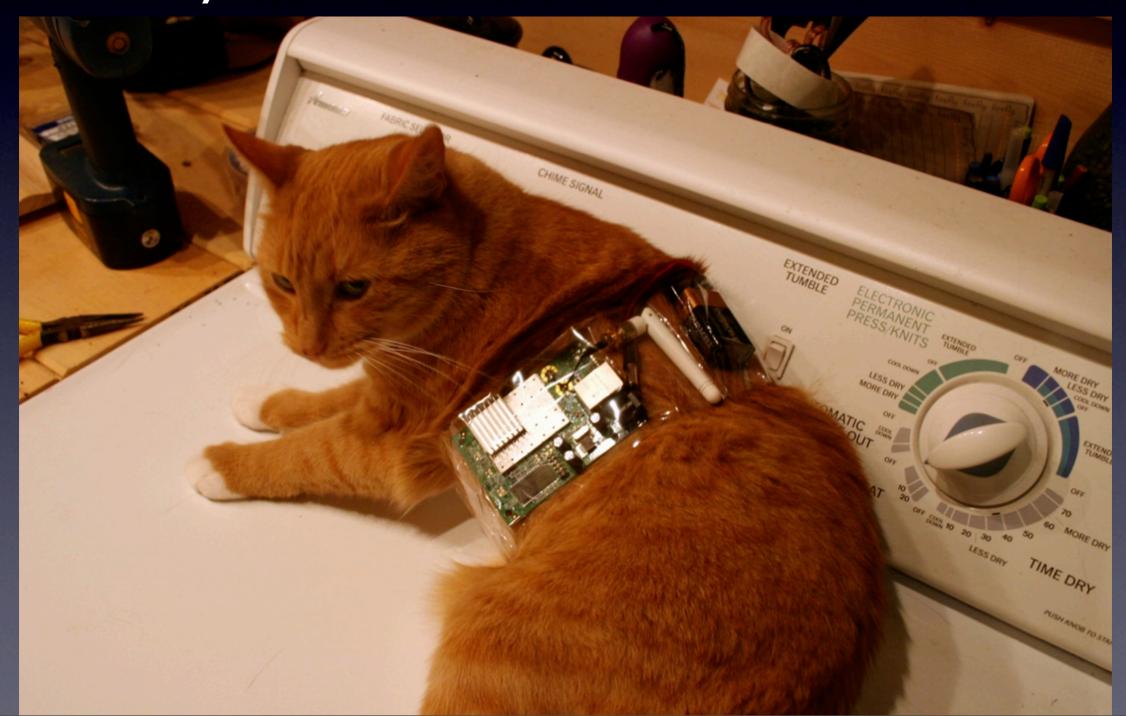
Acoustic Kitty

1960's CIA project

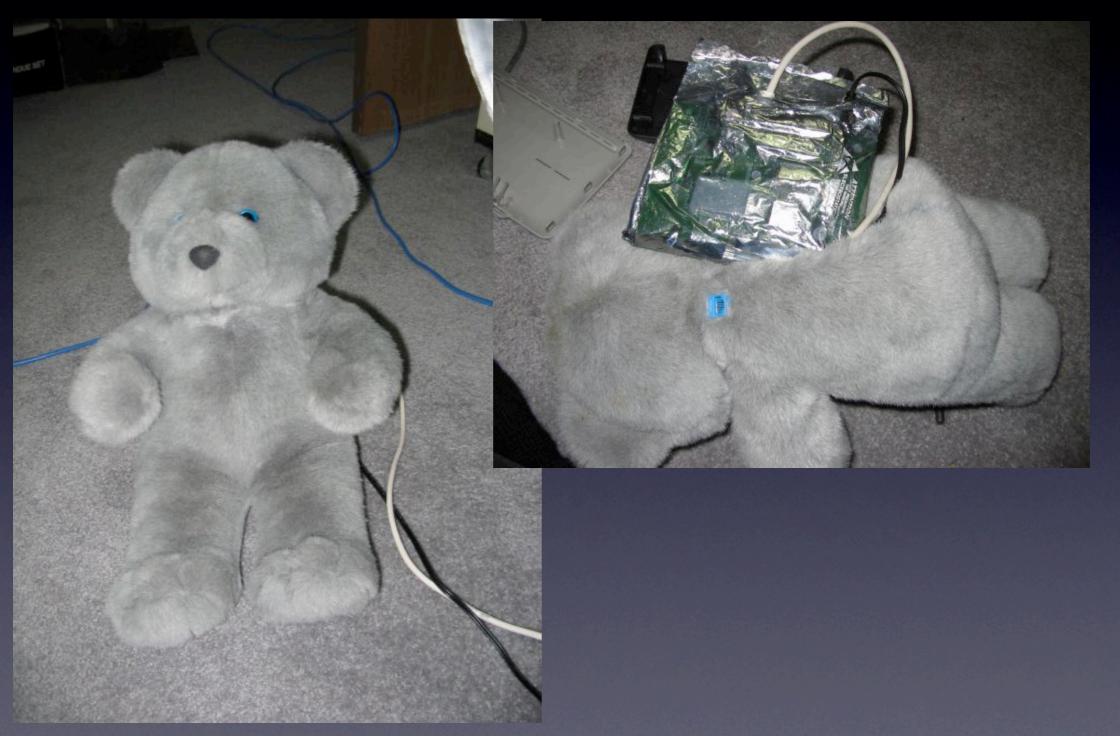
• "They slit the cat open, put batteries in him, wired him up. The tail was used as an antenna. They made a monstrosity. They tested him and tested him. They found he would walk off the job when he got hungry, so they put another wire in to override that. Finally, they re ready. They took it out to a park bench and said "Listen to those two guys. Don t listen to anything else – not the birds, no cat or dog – just those two guys!" ... They put him out of the van, and a taxi comes and runs him over. There they were, sitting in the van with all those dials, and the cat was dead!" - Victor Marchetti

WiFi Kitty

• Early field trials:



Let's bring it full circle...



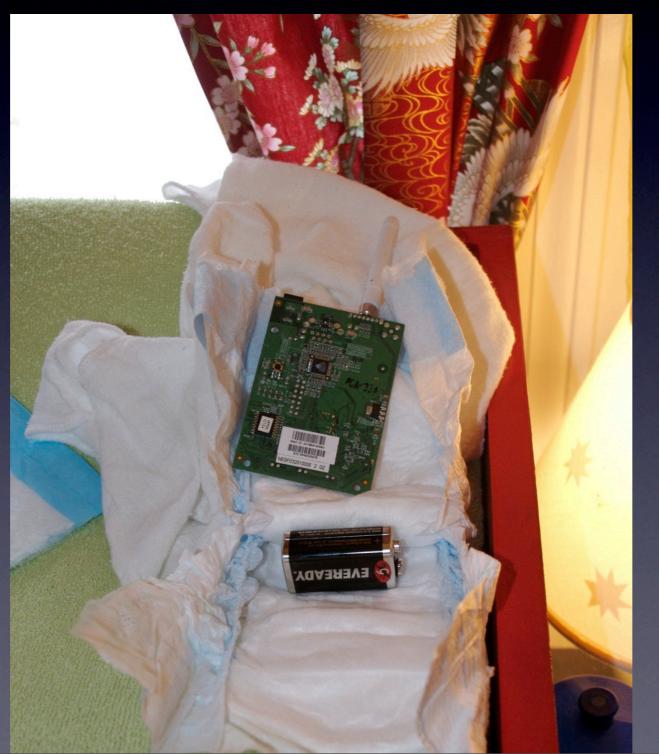
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Baby. Check.



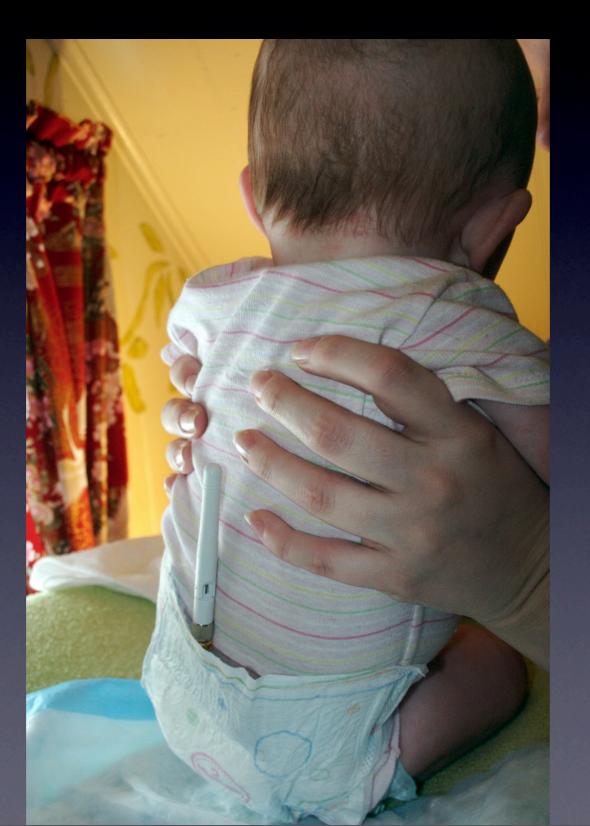
Diaper + AP + Power. Check.



DiAPer + Baby.



Priceless.



Defenses

- Regular scanning Kismet & laptop
- Fixed scanning Kismet & WRT54G
- Wired side scanning RogueScanner, nessus
- Distributed scanning Thin APs (Cisco, Aruba, Trapeze)
- Combine that with Inventory Management and Corporate Policy

Thanks!

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