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# Wireless LAN Intrusion Detection and Prevention System for Malicious Access Point with Live Attacks

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Abstract - In latest trends, Wireless Access Points are popularly used for the convenience of smart mobile users. The growing popularity of Wireless Local Network (WLAN) put forth different dangers of wireless security attacks. A Malicious Access Point might be set in any open spaces so as to imitate honest to goodness Access Points for adaptation. Existing malicious Access Point detection methods analyze wireless traffic by using extra devices, and the data of traffic is collected by servers. Malicious Access Points, if undetected, can take important information from the network. Numerous attackers took advantages of the undetected Malicious Access Points in ventures to not just get free Internet Access, and yet to view classified informative content. The vast majority of the present results for identify Malicious Access Points are not automated. In this research paper, we consider the problem of "malicious" attacks in wireless local area networks (WLANs). A Malicious is essentially a rogue (phishing) Wi-Fi access point (AP) that looks like a legitimate one (with the same SSID) and we consider an unprotected client, other networks client to avoid wireless unauthorized clients not only the detect and prevent but we show and enlist the live attackers details.

**Keywords** – WLAN, MAP, DOS, MITMA, Evil Twin, FIN, SYN Attack.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

WLAN Security technology has major use in many fields. Wireless LAN has a wide range of applications due to its flexibility and easy access. The use of public Wi-Fi has reached at a level that is difficult to avoid. While users (especially smart phone users) can access Wi-Fi wireless internet "hotspot" connections in public more easily, they become to be more vulnerable to fraud and identity theft, referred to as Malicious attacks. Malicious is a term for a rogue Wi-Fi access point that appears to be a legitimate one offered on the premises, but actually has been set up by a hacker to eavesdrop on wireless communications among Internet surfers. The main things are what many papers in only client side or server side is protecting not all systems. So our solutions are automatically detects malicious access points on the network and block them and protect to unprotected clients also. And most novelty points in our system to protect to unauthorized client and also protect other networks unauthorized clients. We have created the white list in that containing authorized clients. And compare their IP Address, SSID, Detection/Prevention Time and MAC Address then find out the unauthorized AP or clients.

Our main contributions are as follows:

- 1. We examined and analyzed different types of techniques to detect and prevent Malicious Access Points.
- 2. We implement a new lightweight server and client side malicious detection and prevention solution.
- 3. We implement efficiently to detect and prevent Malicious Access Points on the network.
- 4. We protect unprotected clients with same network and other networks.
- 5. We detect and prevent live attacks. Like FIN, SYN.
- 6. We use the four factor IP Address, SSID, Detection / Prevention TIME and MAC Address.

#### 2. BACKGROUND

Various security mechanisms are necessary in order to avoid threats against Wireless Local Networks. Different threats are exist on the Wireless Network; one of such serious threat is Malicious Access Point. A Malicious attack is quick and easy to set as shown in fig. 1, attacker can easily set Malicious access point and looks like the authorized access point used in public Wi-Fi area, these area could be coffee shop, restaurants, airport...etc. Attacker can set up malicious access point near to the victims, the malicious access point then try to attack the victim's wireless connection by using different methods and force victim to change the connection. Generally Malicious AP uses powerful wireless signals then the authorized AP inside the range. User's laptop or other devices automatically get connected to the AP with highest RSSI. Once victim is connected to the Malicious AP, by catching network packets between Malicious AP and the authorize AP the attacker can provide internet access and can get sensitive information similar to passwords, credit and debit card details...Etc. In this way Malicious AP works as a "Malicious" AP between victim and the authorize AP. the attacker can bring out more serious attacks like phishing. In

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short, malicious attack is a dangerous threat to the WLAN Security.

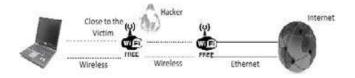


Fig. 1: Malicious Attack

#### 3. RELATED WORK

The threat of Malicious AP has attracted both industrial and academic researchers to focus on this problem. There are some methods presented which deal with this problem. Hao Han and his colleagues used timing based scheme for Malicious AP detection [1], in that they have functional timing based plan for the client to avoid from connecting with Malicious AP. In their discovery system they have utilized timing informative content dependent upon the round trek time. Thought is to client test a server in neighborhood and after that measure the RTT from the reaction, this methodology is rehashed number of times and all RTTs are recorded. Provided that the mean worth of RTTs is bigger than a fixed threshold, they acknowledge the partnered AP as a Malicious AP. They have acknowledge four elements that have impact on timing RTT which are Data transmission rate, Location of DNS server, Wireless movement and APs workload. They have tried precision of their method recognizing distinctive situations for these four components.

Taebeom Kim and his colleagues utilized received signal strengths for discovery of Malicious Access Point [2], in this

they measures corresponded RSS arrangements from adjacent APs keeping in mind the end goal to figure out if the sequences are honest or fake. This system works in three stages. In stage one they are gathering RSS from adjacent AP. In Second Phase they are doing standardization of gathered RSSs, it assesses some missed RSSs, caused by some outside variables and standardizes the evaluated RSSs for generalization of an assortment of wireless environments. In third stage they are figuring out which RSSs are greatly corresponded to others dependent upon some empirical threshold value. They outline that remarkably associated RSS sequences as fake signals from a single device.

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Qu and Nefcy presented new indirect Malicious Access Point detection system [3] they broke down local round trip time (LRTT) information and composed a system with numerous calculations for identifying wireless hosts effectively. Their work begins from inactively examining or observing system movement to have disclosure and catching Client-side solution for Malicious Access Point.

Assuming that customer is associated with remote server through Malicious AP and a standard AP that is two-hop remote channel, so this gives the thought to discover Malicious attacks by differentiating one-hop and two-hop remote channels from the client to the remote server. In this they have utilized two calculations, first is Trained Mean Matching, in this they are utilizing preparing method to distinguish Malicious attack. The second calculation is Hop Differentiating Technique; it is a non-preparing-based location calculation in which they are utilizing specific speculative worth for the limit to distinguish malicious attack. They have tried this strategy under diverse RSSI levels for the correctness of the recognition of Malicious AP.

TABLE I. Comparison of various Papers

Paper Topic	Author Name	Year of	Weakness	Algo.
		Publics		
Who Is Peeping at Your	Yimin Song, Chao	2010	wireless	Trained Mean Matching
Passwords at Starbucks?	Yang, and Guofei Gu	IEEE	infrastructure	(TMM) and
- To Catch an Evil Twin Access			s (e.g., 3G or	Hop Differentiating
Point			WiMax)	Technique (HDT).
Active User-side Evil Twin	Chao Yang, Yimin	2011	Distance,	Trained Mean Matching
Access Point Detection	Song, and Guofei Gu,	IEEE	Packet, Hop	(TMM) and
Using Statistical Techniques	Member, IEEE			Hop Differentiating
				Technique (HDT).
A Novel Approach for Rogue	Somayeh	2012	Only Client	Wireless IDS
Access Point Detection on the	Nikbakhsh,	IEEE	Side	
Client-Side	Azizah Bt Abdul			
	Manaf,			
	Mazdak Zamani,			
	Maziar Janbeglou			
Online Detection of Fake	Taebeom Kim,	2012	Distance	Classification of received
Access Points using	Haemin Park,	IEEE		signal strength
Received Signal Strengths	Hyunchul Jung, and			

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	Heejo Lee			
Elimination of Rogue access	Mr. Sandip Thite,	Dec	Distances	RSS
point in Wireless Network		2013		
Wireless LAN Intrusion	Prof. Sandip Patil	March	SSID	Authentication and De-
Detection and Prevention		2015	,IP,	Authentication rules
System for Malicious Access		IEEE.	MACID,	
Point			etc	

#### 4. OUR ANALYSIS

#### A. Design

In this section we will explain our problem statement and approach. Our solution will work on any type of network that is wired network, wireless network or heterogeneous network. Implemented solutions for client side only. But our solution works for client and server side. So our solution is automatically detects malicious access points on the network and prevent them.

#### B. Features of the Solution

- Accurate Detection of Malicious AP.
- Less time to detect Malicious AP (2 to 3 ms).
- Scalable Solution.
- Consume very less bandwidth of the network.
- Apart from Detection of Malicious AP, to protect the unprotected clients also.
- Detect and Prevent live attacks. Like FIN, SYN.
- We use the four factor IP Address, SSID, Detection / Prevention TIME and MAC Address.

#### C. System Architecture

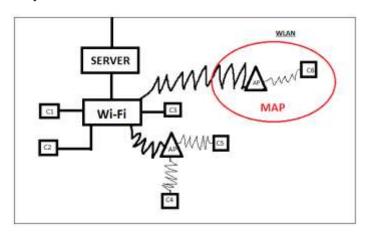


Fig. 2: System Architecture

C1, C2, C3 Wired Device, C4, C5, C6 Wireless Devices,

AP: Access Point, MAP: Malicious AP, WLAN wireless network. System Architecture in that we consider the wired network C1 to C3 are wired client and one is the wireless client C4, C5, C6. They are connected to authorize access point like AP, and other things WLAN also create malicious access point like MAP. So they trying to connect authorized client system and connect successfully. And with our system that detect the malicious access point and prevent De-Authentication rule and avoid that client.

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#### D. Implementation.

We have implemented our approach using Python development Kit. We have created the white list in that authorized clients. And compare their IP Address, SSID and MAC Address then find out the unauthorized clients. We evaluated the prototype of our approach on a computer with an Intel Core 2 Duo 2.58GHz CPU and 4GB RAM, running Linux, Windows 7.We have used Three Access Points.

#### E. Algorithm

Input: Beacon Frames, Provide the authorized AP lists

Output: IP, SSID, Detection/Prevention Time and MAC address of Malicious AP

#### Begin

Scan for beacon frames-Extract SSID & AP's MAC from it;

Check captured info with white list it match then go to steps 6;

If doesn't match with white list info then – Malicious AP detected;

If step 3 is true then invoke prevention;

Send De-Authorized to Malicious AP;

Go to step 1

#### Do nothing;

Display message Malicious AP is not present;

End

Using set theory,

Let,

 $W_A$  = White list of APs where {a0, a1... an}

 $W_D$  = Detected APs List {d0, d1...dn}

W<sub>M</sub> = Malicious AP detected list.

 $W_M = W_D - WA$ 

We used Authentication and De-Authentication rules and create the one white list ( $W_A$ ) in that our authorized client IP, SSID, Detection/Prevention Time and MAC address is store. Only they can access the wireless network.  $W_D$  is detected access point list, and  $W_M$  is malicious access point detected list. As per set theory we get an unauthorized client lists.

#### F. Results of Our Solution

This software is being tested with 2 Access Points with 1 Access Point as malicious Access Point and 1 Access Points as authorized Access Points.



Fig. 3: Detection



Fig. 4: Interface

Interface in that to enable the interface card by some command.

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Fig. 5: Whitelist

Detection in that to run our system and detection mode is start. So they will show white list or authorized AP and unauthorized AP.



Fig. 6: Detection/Prevention Time

Preventions in that show the malicious access point with IP Address, SSID, Detection/Prevention Time and MAC Address and detection time in milliseconds.

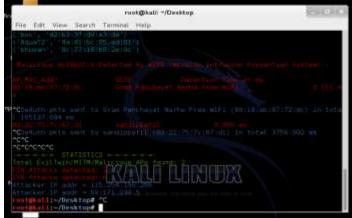


Fig. 7: FIN/SYN Attacks1

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Fig. 8: FIN/SYN Attacks2

TABLE II. Different Types of Attacks

Sr.No	Attack Type	Live Attack
01	DOS	FIN/SYN
02	MITMA	FIN/SYN
03	Evil Twin	FIN/SYN

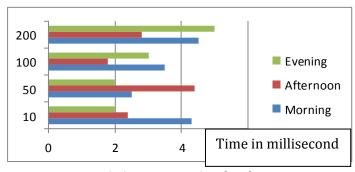


Fig. 9: AP Detection Overhead.

In above graph to access point detect the overhead in various timing. For example Morning, Afternoon and Evening.

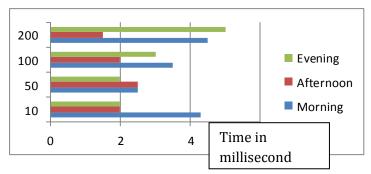


Fig. 10: AP Prevention Overhead.

In above graph to access point prevent the overhead in various timing. For example Morning, Afternoon and Evening.

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Fig. 11: Whitelists Access Points.

In above graph to authorized access points in particular Network.

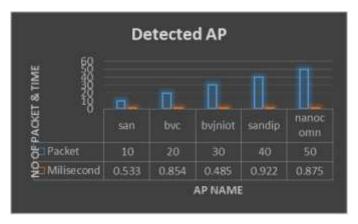


Fig. 12: Detected Access Points.

In above graph to scan in current environment and detect authorized and unauthorized access points.

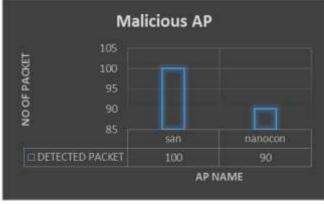


Fig. 13: Malicious Access Points.



In above graph to detect and prevent unauthorized access point by using Authentication and De-Authentication algorithm.

#### G. Blocking Mechanism

It is important to block Malicious Access Points detected on network. To achieve this, we used Authentication and De-Authentication rules and create the one white list in that our authorized client IP, SSID, Detection/Prevention Time, MAC address are stored. Only they can access the wireless network. Otherwise out of white list IP detected they are not connected because of De-Authentication scenario. Then show the IP, SSID, Detection/Prevention Time and MAC Address as result and also show the detection time.

#### H. Effectiveness

To measure the effectiveness of our approach, we injected Malicious Access Points in our wireless network. We run our software on server / client; we checked IP Address, SSID, Detection/Prevention Time and MAC Address of devices from captured reply packets and verified them with our authorized AP Point white list database. Our approach successfully detected the Malicious Access Point on our Test scenario.

#### 5. CONCLUSION

We have presented the Intrusion Detection and Prevention Approach for Malicious Access Points in Wireless LAN and live attacks. This technique will work on client side or server side network that is wired network, wireless network.

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