



Drive Encryption

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Question

- Does drive encryption create a problem or just another thing to master getting around?
 - Security Answer
 - Forensics Answer



Strength in Encryption

- Single encryption algorithm, i.e., PGP
 - AES 256 key = 10^{36}
- Multiple encryption algorithm, i.e., TrueCrypt
 - AES, Serpent and TwoFish or combinations (128b keys)

Algorithm	Designer(s)	Key Size (Bits)	Block Size (Bits)	<u>Mode of Operation</u>
<u>AES</u>	J. Daemen, V. Rijmen	256	128	<u>XTS</u>
<u>Serpent</u>	R. Anderson, E. Biham, L. Knudsen	256	128	XTS
<u>Twofish</u>	J. Kelsey, D. Whiting, D. Wagner, C. Hall, N. Ferguson, B. Schneier	256	128	XTS
<u>AES-Twofish</u>		256; 256	128	XTS
<u>AES-Twofish-Serpent</u>		256; 256; 256	128	XTS
<u>Serpent-AES</u>		256; 256	128	XTS
<u>Serpent-Twofish-AES</u>		256; 256; 256	128	XTS
<u>Twofish-Serpent</u>		256; 256	128	XTS



Weaknesses of Encryption

- Users
 - Sticky notes
 - USB keys
- Passwords
 - R3d\$kin\$1 --- really?
- Programs
 - Poor programing
 - Proper implementation



Probability

- Technology and programming are making it more difficult to conduct Digital Forensics
- Users typically save passwords or leave breadcrumbs, hints or photos
- RNGs provide passwords too difficult for typical users to memorize
- Sallie Mae vs Grandma Sally: Who is using drive encryption?
- Password recovery aids in drive encryption recovery (OS, IM, webmail, doc, zip, etc)



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