Using IPsec on the NANOG Network

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Motivation

- The wireless network makes it easy for anyone to eavesdrop.
- We can encrypt (wireless) traffic locally and decrypt it once it gets to the wires.

Network Diagram The Net Some Big Router 192.35.169.128/25 192.35.164.0/22 **IPsec** DNS Server DHCP **SQUID**

Caveats

- Does not prevent eavesdropping out on the Internet.
- Traffic to/from the local subnet may not be encrypted.
- Does not secure your laptop from attacks (i.e., this is not a firewall).
- We are mainly interested in encryption, no so much in authentication.

Big Picture

- Your IPsec client creates a security association with the IPsec server. We're using pre-shared keys.
- Your laptop gets a secondary IP address, assigned automatically or manually, depending on your operating system.
- Outgoing packets are encrypted if they match an IPsec Security Policy Database (SPD) entry. These contain src/dest addresses and masks, port numbers, etc.
- For Windows XP using L2TP, the security association uses your primary IP address and L2TP port numbers.

Big Picture

- For Linux/BSD/Mac, the security association uses your secondary IP address. Then we use NAT/routing tricks to make outgoing packets have the secondary IP address.
- The IPsec server has proxy ARP entries for these secondary addresses.
- Packets coming in from the outside hit the IPsec server, where they are encrypted and then tunneled back to your laptop.

IP Addresses

| 192.35.XXX.YYY | your primary address, assigned by DHCP |
|----------------|--|
| XXX: 165-167 | |
| YYY: 1-254 | |
| 192.35.169.ZZZ | Secondary address |
| ZZZ: 130-179 | automatically assigned for L2TP |
| ZZZ: 180-229 | manually assigned for Linux/BSD/Mac |
| 192.35.169.254 | IPsec server — racoon |
| 192.35.169.252 | IPsec server — isakmpd |
| 192.35.169.253 | Remote tunnel endpoint for L2TP users |

The Windows XP Way

- Use the built-in L2TP+IPSEC client.
- Create new VPN connection.
- Establish security association between XP and IPsec server.
- Establish L2TP tunnel between XP and IPsec server. All L2TP traffic will be encrypted.
- The tunnel address becomes new default route.
- Secondary address assigned automatically by L2TP daemon on IPsec server.

The Mac OS/X Way

- Download VaporSec.
- Or use built-in racoon.
- Add an IP alias on the ethernet interface.
- Add default route through alias address.
- Secondary/alias address assigned manually.

The FreeBSD Way

- Need IPSEC support in the kernel.
- Need to install racoon or isakmpd.
- Add an IP alias on the ethernet interface.
- Establish security association with the IPsec server.
- Add default route through alias address.
- Secondary/alias address assigned manually.

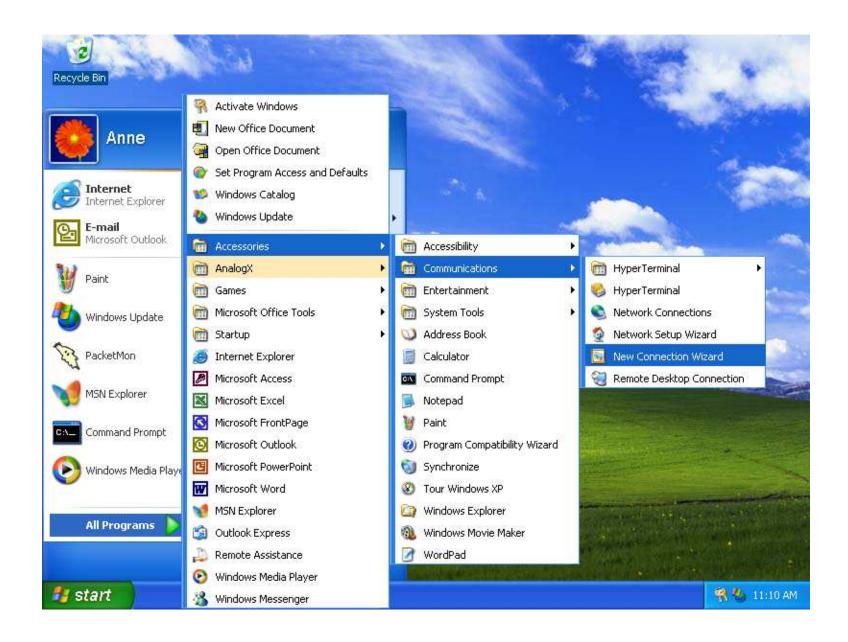
The Linux Way

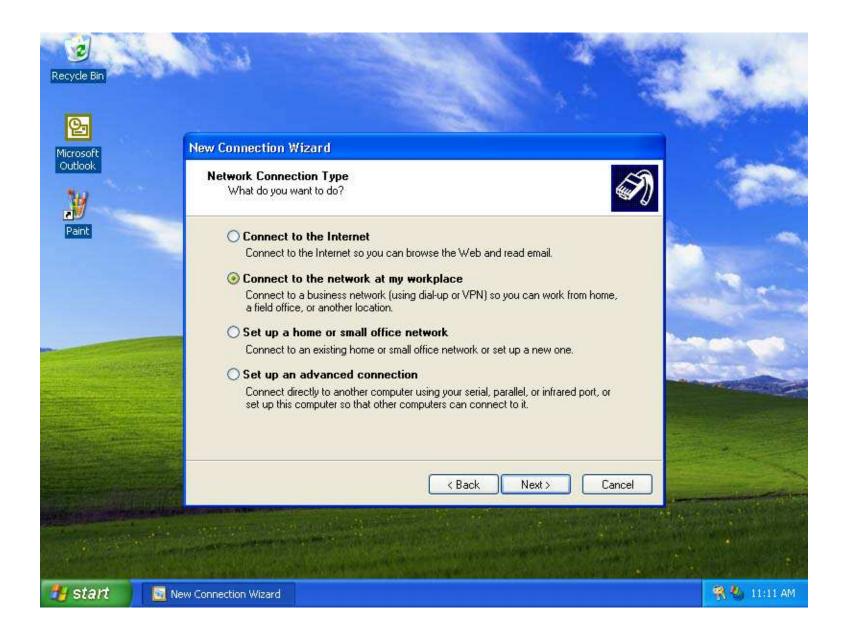
- Need to install FreeS/WAN (now Openswan).
- Add an IP alias on the ethernet interface.
- Establish security association with the IPsec server.
- Add some iptables rules to NAT outgoing packets to the alias address.
- Secondary/alias address assigned manually.

The Windows XP Way

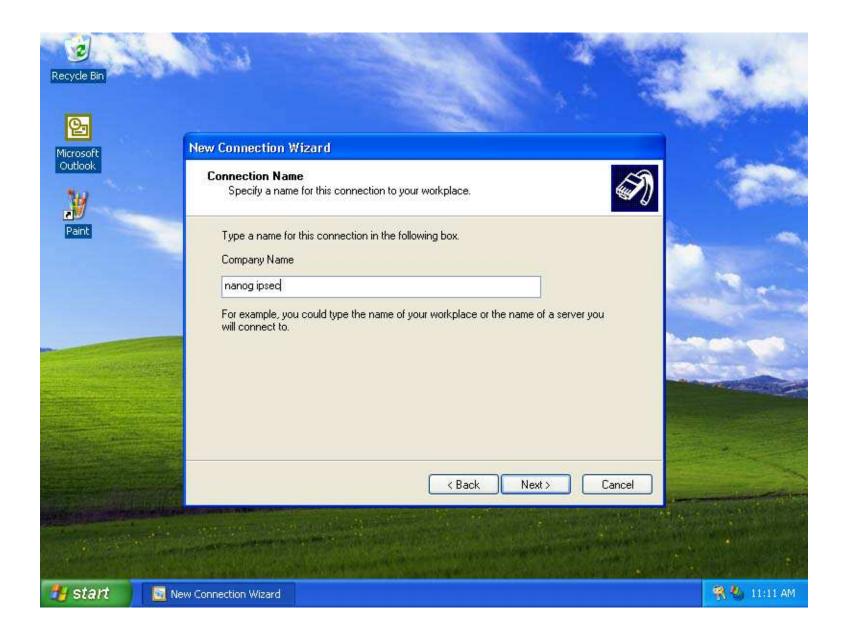
Enable IPsec Service

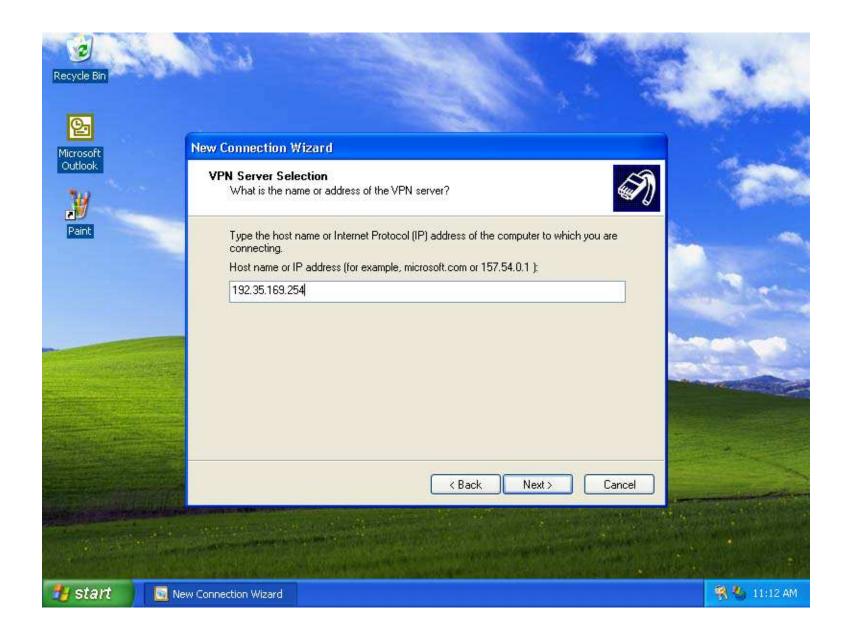
- Sorry, no screendump yet
- Control Panel
- Something something
- Services
- IPsec service
- Start it

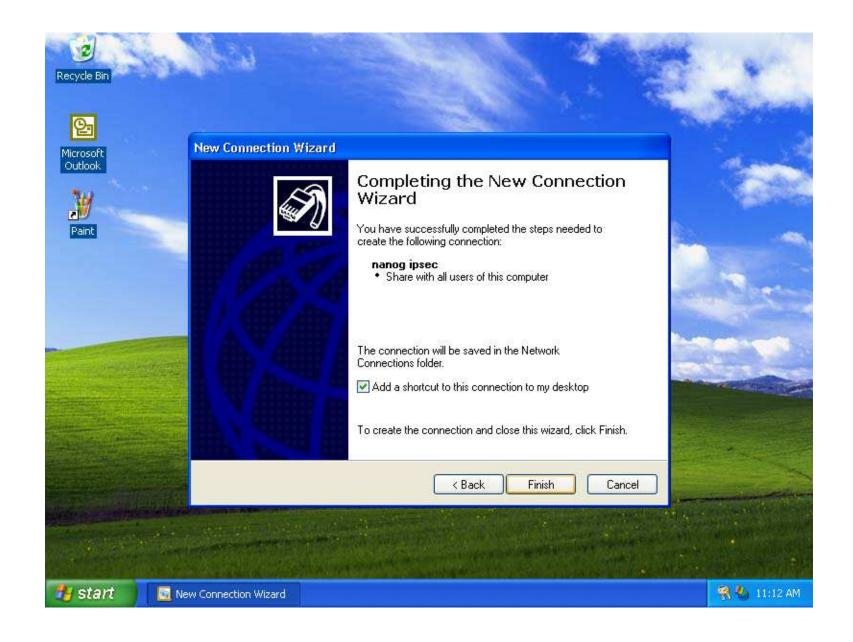


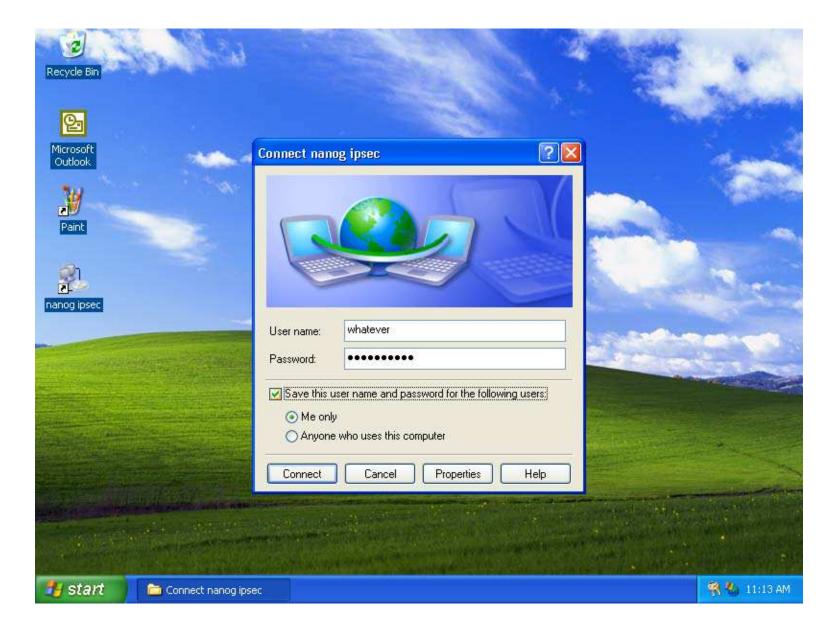






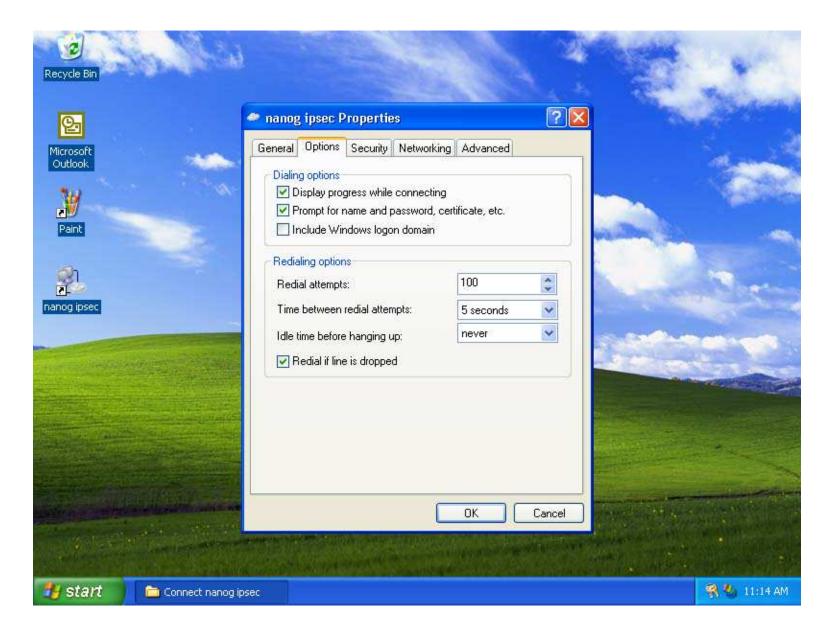




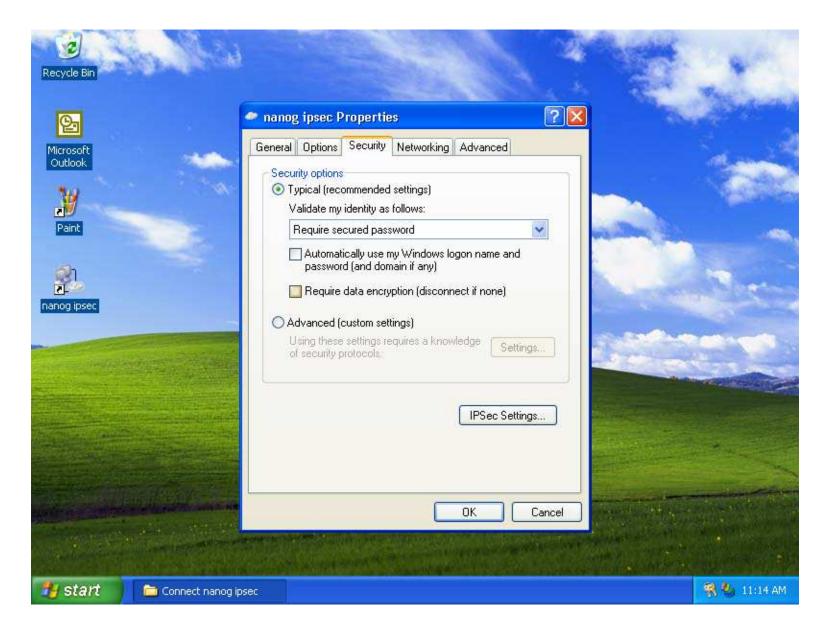


Username: can be anything

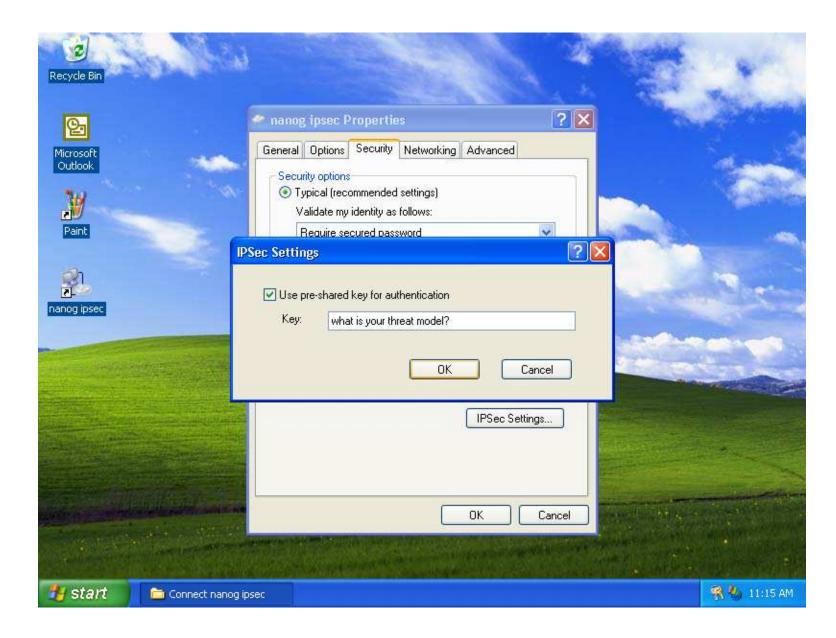
Password: passphrase



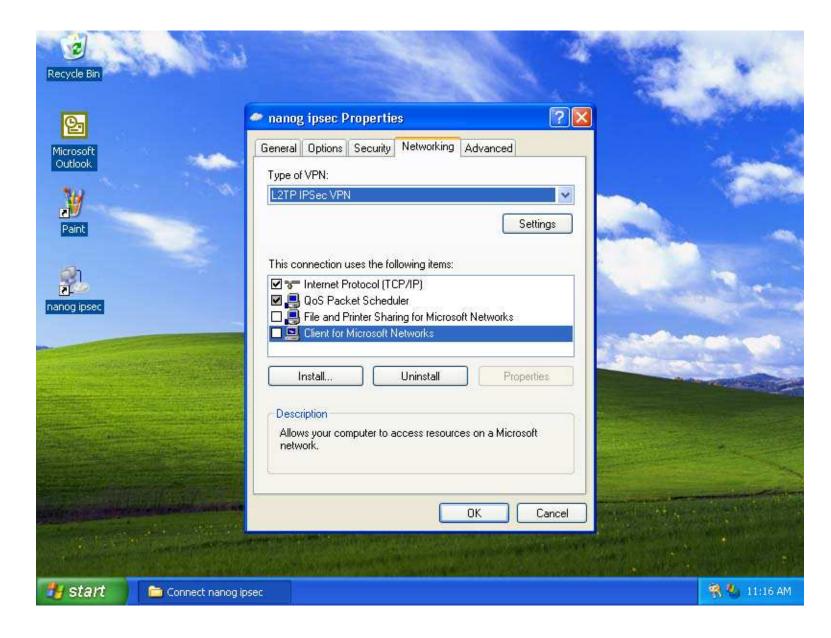
Probably want to increase redial attempts and decrease time between. Select "Redial if line is dropped."



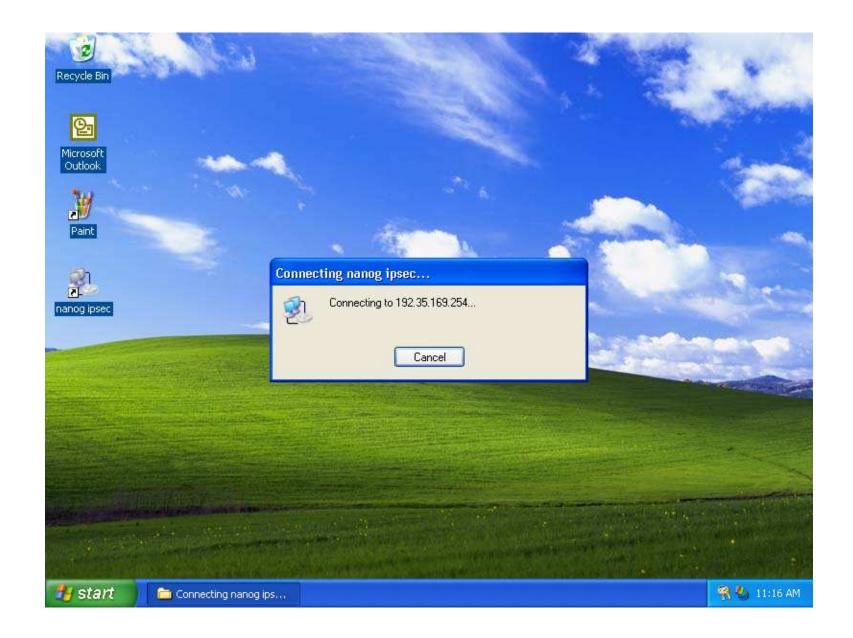
Uncheck "Require data encryption." That refers to L2TP/PPP encryption, NOT IPsec!

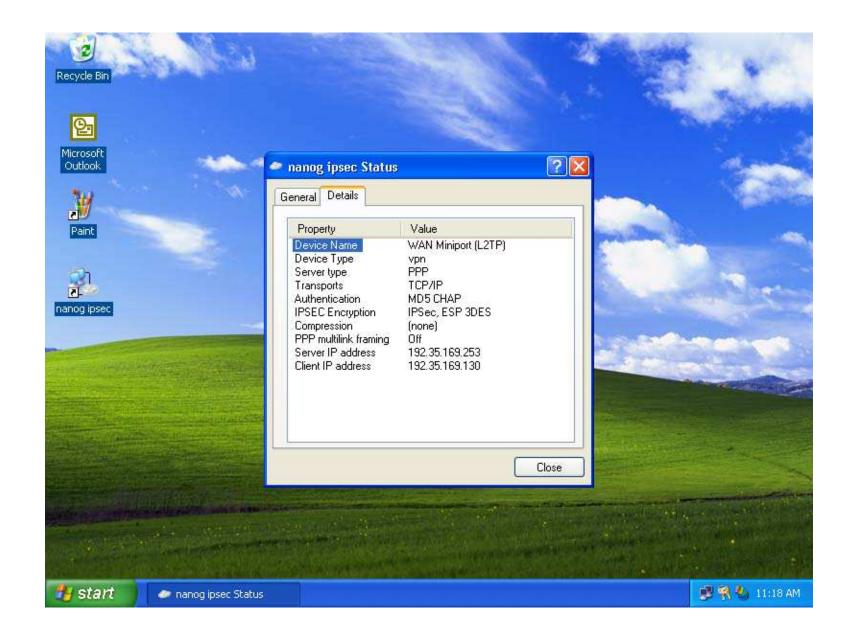


what is your threat model?



Select "L2TP IPsec VPN"





The Mac OS/X Way

VaporSec

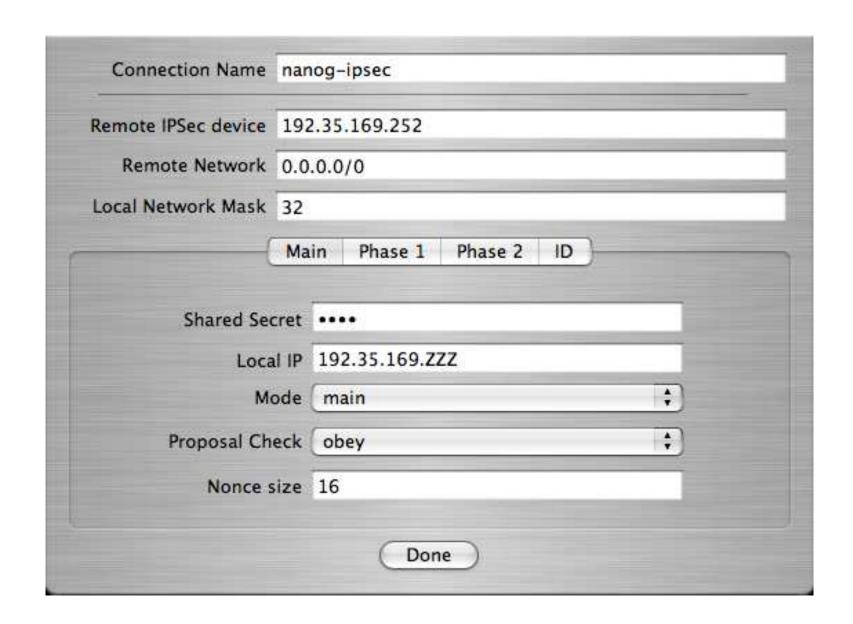
- VaporSec is a GUI front-end for racoon.
- You can get it from http://www.afp548.com/Software/VaporSec/
- We'll use the same aliasing and routing tricks as FreeBSD.

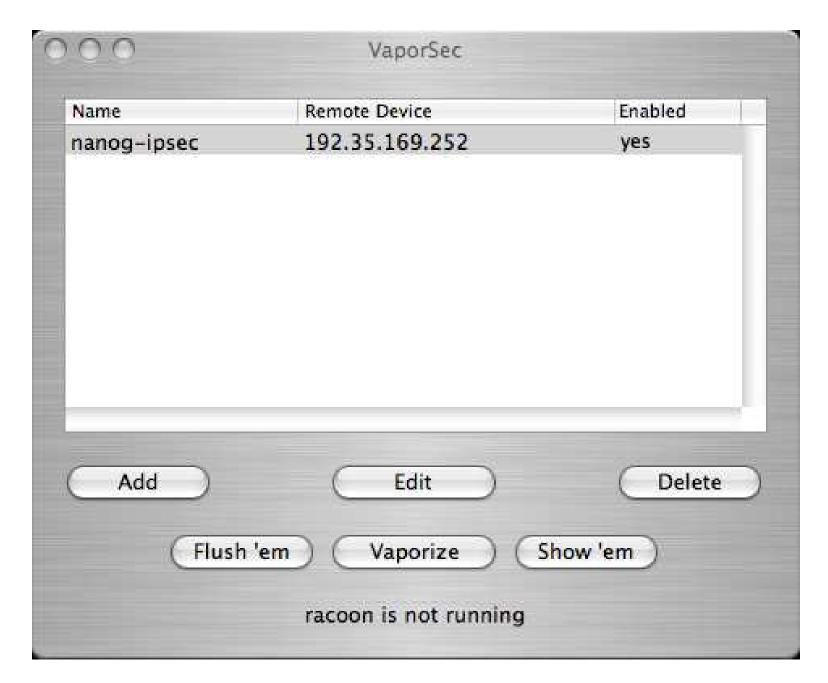
Add IP Alias and Routes

Execute these commands as root:

```
# ifconfig en1 alias 192.35.169.ZZZ netmask 255.255.255.255
# route add 192.35.169.252 192.35.164.1
# route delete -net 0
# route add -net 0 192.35.169.ZZZ
```

 Use whatever interface name corresponds to your primary IP address.





Select Vaporize to activate IPsec.

The FreeBSD Way (isakmpd)

Configure your kernel

• If your kernel doesn't already support IPsec, add these two lines to the kernel configuration file:

options IPSEC_ESP

• Then configure, compile, install the kernel, and reboot.

Install isakmpd

You can install isakmpd from FreeBSD ports:

```
# cd /usr/ports/security/isakmpd
# make
# make install
```

• Or get a binary from:

```
ftp://ftp.freebsd.org/pub/FreeBSD/ports/i386/
packages-4-stable/security/isakmpd-20030903.tgz
```

Download a copy of isakmpd.conf

- Download
 - http://192.35.164.31/ipsec/freebsd-isakmpd/isakmpd.conf.txt
- Save it as /usr/local/etc/isakmpd/isakmpd.conf
- Make sure it has mode "600" permissions.
- Change 192.35.XXX.YYY to your primary IP address.
- Change 192.35.169.ZZZ to your secondary IP address.
- Your primary address shouldn't change during the meeting, but if it does you'll need to edit the config file and restart.

A Startup Script

```
killall isakmpd
setkey -D; setkey -DP

ifconfig fxp0 alias 192.35.169.ZZZ netmask 255.255.255.255

route add 192.35.169.252 192.35.164.1
route delete -net 0
route add -net 0 192.35.169.ZZZ
/usr/local/sbin/isakmpd -4
```

Try It Out

- Check syslog for errors.
- In one window, run tcpdump:

```
# tcpdump -n
```

• In another window, ping something:

```
# ping 216.66.24.58
```

You should see:

```
12:34:22.974789 192.35.169.252 > 192.35.XXX.YYY:

ESP(spi=0x53955a6d, seq=0x2)

12:34:22.975117 192.35.XXX.YYY > 192.35.169.252:

ESP(spi=0x8e5fbc5d, seq=0x2)
```

The FreeBSD Way (racoon)

Install racoon

• To install *racoon* from ports:

```
# cd /usr/ports/security/racoon
# make
# make install
```

 Note that racoon will now start automatically when you reboot.

Download a copy of racoon.conf

- Download
 http://192.35.164.31/ipsec/freebsd-racoon/racoon.conf.txt
- Change 192.35.XXX.YYY to your primary IP address.

Set the pre-shared key

- Put this line in /usr/local/etc/racoon/psk.txt: 192.35.169.252 what is your threat model?
- chmod 400 /usr/local/etc/racoon/psk.txt

Create the IPsec policy

Add these lines to /etc/ipsec.conf

spdadd 0.0.0.0/0 192.35.169.ZZZ/32 any -P in ipsec
esp/tunnel/192.35.169.252-192.35.XXX.YYY/require;
spdadd 192.35.169.ZZZ/32 0.0.0.0/0 any -P out ipsec
esp/tunnel/192.35.XXX.YYY-192.35.169.252/require;

A Startup Script

```
killall racoon
setkey -DP; setkey -D

ifconfig fxp0 alias 192.35.169.ZZZ netmask 255.255.255.255

route add 192.35.169.252 192.35.164.1
route delete -net 0
route add -net 0 192.35.169.ZZZ

setkey -f /etc/ipsec.conf
/usr/local/sbin/racoon
```

Notes on racoon

- Raccon does not establish the security association until there is traffic to send.
- In my experience, *isakmpd* worked better than *racoon* as an IKE client, but YMMV.

The Linux Way

Kernel Configuration

Under Networking options:

```
<*> IP Security Protocol (FreeS/WAN IPSEC)
--- IPSec options (FreeS/WAN)
[*]
      IPSEC: IP-in-IP encapsulation (tunnel mode)
[*]
      IPSEC: Authentication Header
[*]
         HMAC-MD5 authentication algorithm
[*]
         HMAC-SHA1 authentication algorithm
[*]
      IPSEC: Encapsulating Security Payload
[*]
          3DES encryption algorithm
[*]
      IPSEC Modular Extensions
```

Install FreeS/WAN

- Use your Linux distribution's favorite technique for installing packages: rpm, apt-get, emerge, etc.
- Or http://www.freeswan.org/download.html
- Or http://www.openswan.org/code/
- Includes kernel patches so you probably need to recompile your kernel.

Download an ipsec.conf Template

- http://192.35.164.31/ipsec/linux-freeswan/ipsec.conf.txt
- Save it as /etc/ipsec/ipsec.conf
- Change 192.35.XXX.YYY to your primary address
- Change 192.35.169.ZZZ to your secondary address

Set the pre-shared key

• Put this line in /etc/ipsec/ipsec.secrets:

192.35.XXX.YYY 192.35.169.252: PSK "what is your threat model?"

Startup Script

```
encrypt_local=no  # or yes
ifconfig eth0:0 192.35.169.ZZZ netmask 255.255.255.255

iptables -t nat --flush
iptables -t nat -A POSTROUTING --destination 192.35.169.252 -j ACCEPT
if test $encrypt_local = "no" ; then
   iptables -t nat -A POSTROUTING --destination 192.35.164.0/22 -j ACCEPT
fi
iptables -t nat -A POSTROUTING -p ! 50 -j SNAT --to-source 192.35.169.ZZZ
route add 192.35.169.252 gw 192.35.164.1
/usr/sbin/ipsec setup --start

if test $encrypt_local = "yes" ; then
   sleep 5 ; route delete -net 192.35.164.0/22 eth0
fi
```

Try It Out

- Execute the script from the previous slide or reboot your computer.
- Check syslog for errors.
- Run tcpdump and ping to see if it works.
- Check for security associations by running:

ipsec look

Final Thoughts

MTU Issues

- Packets encapsulated inside IPsec are going to get bigger and may exceed the Ethernet MTU.
- To check for fragmentation, run tcpdump during a large data transfer.
- You may want or need to manually lower the MTU on your Ethernet interface to something like 1460 bytes.

Suspending your Laptop

- Sometimes suspending and waking a laptop causes a "DHCP refresh."
- This might delete your secondary/alias address and change your default route.

Key Lifetimes

- Key lifetimes are configurable, but we are generally using default values.
- Sometimes observe short periods of time when IPsec traffic is suspended as keys are renegotiated.
- Longer key lifetimes mean fewer renegotiations, at the expense of weaker security.

The End