

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2 DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

3 Kirchner v. Anthropic, PBC - Case No. 1:25-cv-02735-ACR
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5 **EXHIBIT D-6: Spoofed MAC Address Analysis**

6 **Case:** Kirchner v. Anthropic, PBC (1:25-cv-02735-ACR)

7 **Evidence ID:** EVID-20251228-0023

8 **Original Exhibit:** X-3_spoofed_devices.md
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11 **Executive Summary**

12 Two MAC addresses with the "locally administered" bit set were identified in the network
13 captures, indicating they are **spoofed/fake** addresses not assigned by any manufacturer.
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MAC Address	IP	Role	Packets
be:27:72:f6:ea:b0	192.168.8.211	Attack target	9,354+
8a:98:39:3d:79:b9	Gateway	Traffic intercept	292,852+

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18 **1. Ieee 802 Mac Address Format**

19 **1.1 Standard Format**

20 MAC Address: XX:XX:XX:XX:XX:XX

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22 | Bit 0: Unicast (0) / Multicast (1)
23 | Bit 1: Globally Unique (0) / Locally Administered (1)

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25 When Bit 1 = 1: The address is NOT assigned by IEEE/manufacturer
26 It is a FAKE/SPOOFED address
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1.2 Verification Method

To check if MAC is spoofed:

1. Take first octet (e.g., BE from be:27:72:f6:ea:b0)
2. Convert to binary: 0xBE = 10111110
3. Check bit 1 (second from right): 1 = SPOOFED

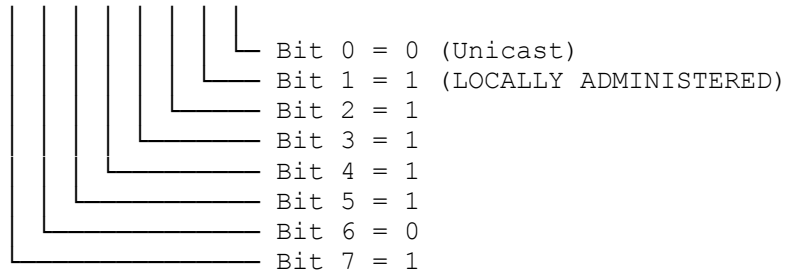
2. SPOOFED DEVICE #1: be:27:72:f6:ea:b0

2.1 Bit Analysis

MAC: be:27:72:f6:ea:b0

First Octet: 0xBE

Binary: 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 0



VERDICT: Bit 1 = 1 → SPOOFED MAC ADDRESS

2.2 Network Activity

Capture	Packets	IP Address
capture_30m	9,354	192.168.8.211
capture_10m	756	192.168.8.211
EVID-0022	7,180	192.168.8.211

2.3 Role in Attack

This spoofed device receives RST attacks from the VMware platform:

VMware VM (192.168.8.171) —RST—▶ Spoofed Device (192.168.8.211)
 00:0c:29:50:89:f1 be:27:72:f6:ea:b0

Traffic pattern from 30m capture:

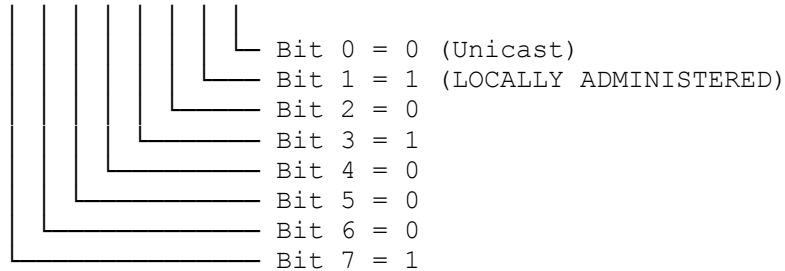
- 46 packets from VMware to this device
- 16 packets from this device to VMware
- All RST packets target port 62078

3. SPOOFED DEVICE #2: 8a:98:39:3d:79:b9

3.1 Bit Analysis

MAC: 8a:98:39:3d:79:b9
First Octet: 0x8A

Binary: 1 0 0 0 1 0 1 0



VERDICT: Bit 1 = 1 → SPOOFED MAC ADDRESS

3.2 Network Activity

Capture	Packets	Role
EVID-0022	292,852	Gateway/intercept
This package	Not present	-

3.3 Role in Attack

This spoofed device appears as a **gateway** in EVID-0022, handling client traffic:

Client (192.168.8.116) —traffic—▶ Spoofed Gateway (8a:98:39:3d:79:b9)

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Internet/External

Major traffic destinations through this gateway:

- 104.22.48.189 (Cloudflare) - 42,496 packets
- 160.79.104.10 - 38,991 packets
- 172.64.144.52 (Cloudflare) - 18,779 packets

4. Device Comparison

4.1 Active Periods

Device	EVID-0022 (14:28-15:14)	EVID-0023 (20:44-22:16)
be:27:72:f6:ea:b0	Present (7,180 pkts)	Present (10,110 pkts)
8a:98:39:3d:79:b9	Present (292,852 pkts)	NOT present

4.2 Role Assignment

Device	Primary Role	Secondary Role
be:27:72:f6:ea:b0	RST attack target	Attack relay
8a:98:39:3d:79:b9	Gateway spoofing	Traffic intercept

5. Implications

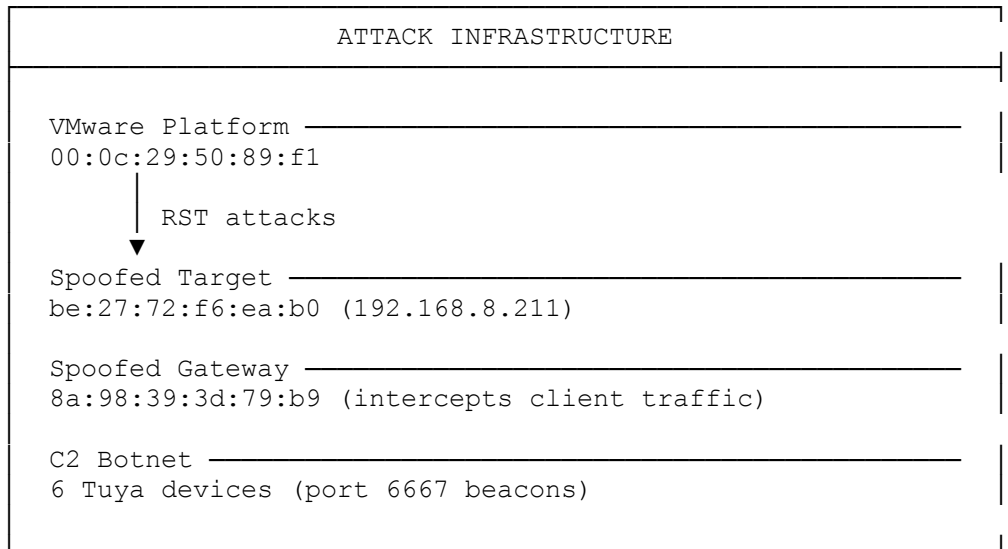
5.1 Attack Sophistication

The use of spoofed MAC addresses indicates:

1. **Deliberate Obfuscation:** Attacker hiding device identity

2. **ARP Spoofing Likely:** Gateway spoofing requires ARP manipulation
3. **Multi-Vector Attack:** Different devices for different purposes
4. **Pre-Planning:** MAC addresses chosen to avoid detection

5.2 Attack Coordination



6. Verification Commands

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# Verify spoofed MAC bit analysis
python3 -c "mac='be'; print(f'0x{mac} = {int(mac,16):08b}, Bit1 = {(int(mac,16) >> 1) & 1}')"
# Output: 0xbe = 10111110, Bit1 = 1

python3 -c "mac='8a'; print(f'0x{mac} = {int(mac,16):08b}, Bit1 = {(int(mac,16) >> 1) & 1}')"
# Output: 0x8a = 10001010, Bit1 = 1

# Count packets from spoofed device #1
tshark -r capture_30m_20250524_204401.pcapng -Y "eth.addr==be:27:72:f6:ea:b0" | wc -l

# Check traffic between VMware and spoofed device
tshark -r capture_30m_20250524_204401.pcapng -Y "eth.addr==00:0c:29:50:89:f1 and ip.addr==192.168.8.211" | wc -l
  
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7. Conclusions

1. Two Spoofed MACs Confirmed: Both have locally administered bit set

2. Different Roles: Target vs Gateway spoofing

3. Coordinated Attack: Devices work together in attack infrastructure

4. Sophisticated Attacker: Knowledge of MAC address manipulation

5. Evidence of ARP Spoofing: Gateway MAC spoofing implies ARP attacks

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