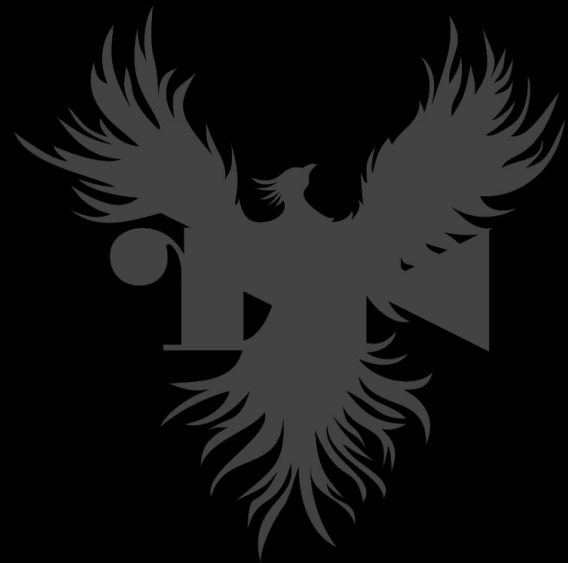


Uncover more crypto secrets
with Radare2



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About

- Memory analysis with Radare2
 - Pattern recognition
 - Recovery of cryptographic materials
- Show some evolutions since r2con 2020
 - *In radare2 /c means Cryptography*
- Demonstrate practical use cases in real-world situations

Searching with r^2

/* all the things

- / - string
- /x - hex string
- /d - pattern
- /c - cryptography
- /h - hash
- /m - magic
- ...



e search.?

search.align: only catch aligned search hits
search.badpages: scan and stop searching when finding bad pages
search.chunk: chunk size for /+ (default size is asm.bits/8)
search.contiguous: accept contiguous/adjacent search hits
search.distance: search string distance
search.esilcombo: stop search after N consecutive hits
search.flags: all search results are flagged, otherwise only printed
search.named: name flags with given string instead of search.prefix
search.overlap: look for overlapped search hits
search.kwidx: store last search index count
search.show: show search results
search.verbose: make the output of search commands verbose
search.from: search start address
search.to: search end address
search.prefix: prefix name in search hits label
search.in: specify search boundaries (raw, bin.sections.r/w/x,...)
search.maxhits: maximum number of hits (0: no limit)



RTFr2book

Before you ask!

More complex search

- Perform actions on search results
 - `e cmd.hit => execute command on hit`
- How to perform more advanced searches ?
 - Logical pattern match (OR | AND | NOT)

News from plugins

r2yara

- YARA (Yet Another Recursive Acronym)
- Open-source tool
- Identification and classification of malwares
- Rules based on text or binary patterns
- Used by many tools (IDS, antivirus, MaskRomTool)
- Usable in radare2 via `r2yara`

YARA rules

```
rule Curve25519 {
  meta:
    author = "spelissier"
    description = "Basepoint and coefficients"
    date = "2023-03"
    reference= "https://www.rfc-editor.org/rfc/rfc7748.html#page-8"
  strings:
    $basepoint = {09 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00}
    $coefficient1 = {41 db 01 00} // The constant a24
    $coefficient2 = {42 db 01 00} // Go language uses a24 + 1
  condition:
    $basepoint and ($coefficient1 or $coefficient2)
}
```

r2yara

- Allows to load and run yara rules in r2
 - Install `r2pm -ci r2yara`
- Got its own repository:
 - <https://github.com/radareorg/r2yara>

```
[r2con@r2con ~]$ r2 spi.bin
```

```
[0x00000000]> yr-
```

INFO: Rules cleared

```
[0x00000000]> yr ./cryptography-yara-rules/ecc.yar
```

```
[0x00000000]> yrl
```

Curve25519

ecc order

```
[0x00000000]> yrs
```

Curve25519

[illegible][illegible]

```
0x00037e84: yara0.Curve25519 2 : 42db0100
```

```
0x002132ac: yara0.Curve25519 3 : 42db0100
```

```
[0x00000000]> s yara0.Curve25519
```

```
yara0.Curve25519 2  yara0.Curve25519 0  yara0.Curve25519 3  yara0.Curve25519 1
```

```
[0x00000000]> s yara0.Curve25519 0
```

```
[0x00095040]>
```


Where to find the rules ?

- Official Yara rules repository got COVID
 - <https://github.com/Yara-Rules/rules>
 - Latest commit 2 years ago
 - No PR merged anymore (15 opened)
- New repository for cryptographic rules
 - <https://github.com/sylvainpelissier/cryptography-yara-rules>
 - If you have nice rules, it will be integrated

Introducing yrg

- Write your own rules while reversing !

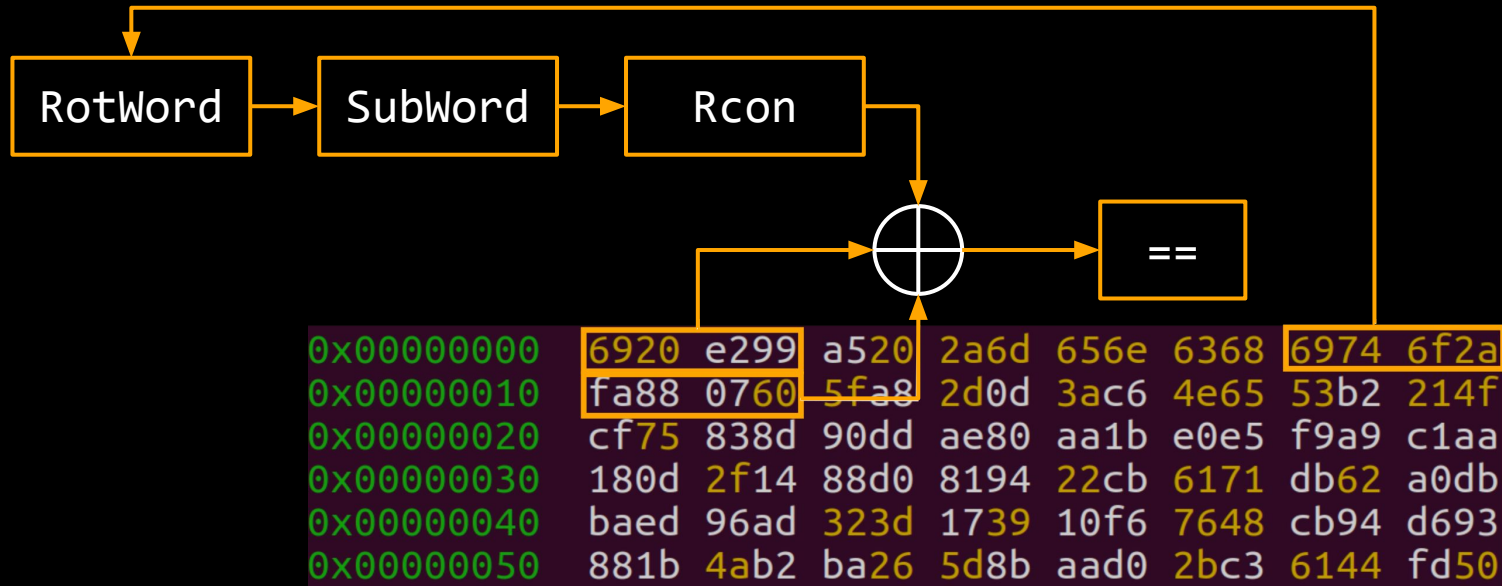
Usage: yrg [action] [args..] load and run yara rules inside r2

yrg-	delete last pattern added to the yara rule
yrg-*	delete all the patterns in the current rule
yrgs ([len])	add string (optionally specify the length)
yrgx ([len])	add hexpairs of blocksize (or custom length)
yrgf ([len])	add function bytewidth signature
yrgz	add all strings referenced from current function

```
    version = "0.1"
}
[0x00132700]> yrgs 16
[0x00132700]> yrg
rule rulename : test {
  meta:
    author = "r2con"
    description = "My first yara rule"
    date = "2024-10-20"
    version = "0.1"
  strings:
    $ = "expand 32-byte k"
  condition:
    all of them
}
[0x00132700]> e yara.rule = my_new_rule
[0x00132700]> yr+
INFO: Rule successfully added
[0x00132700]> yrl
my_new_rule
[0x00132700]> yrs
my_new_rule
0x00132700: yara0.my_new_rule_0 : 657870616e6420333322d62797465206b
[0x00132700]> █
```


News from symmetric crypto

Remember AES key schedule search ?



Available using `/ca` command

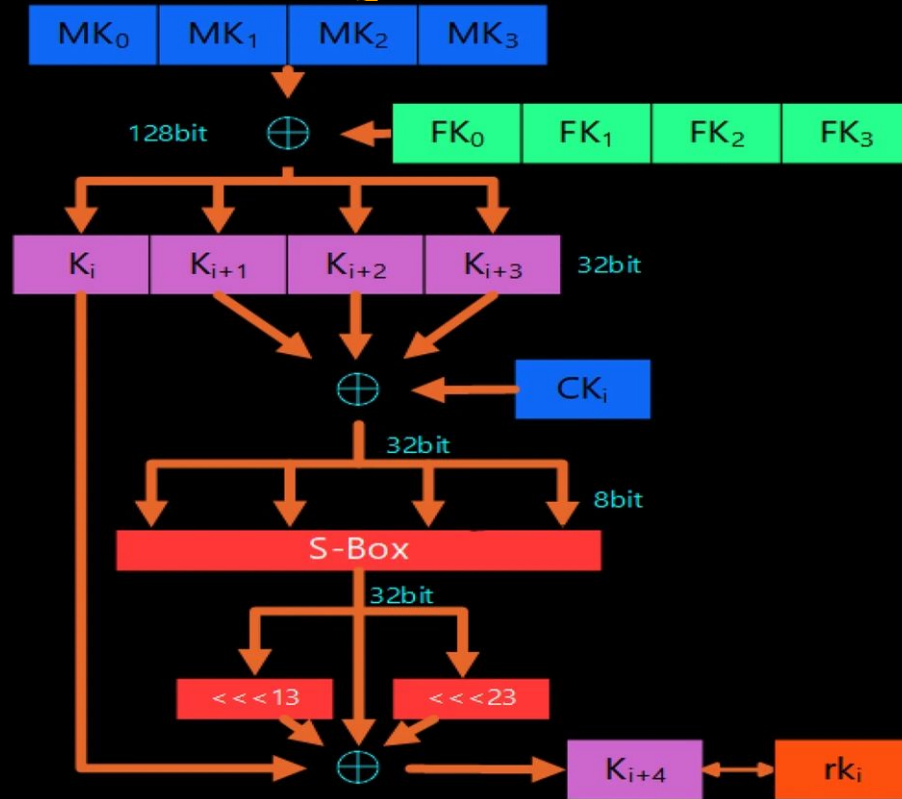
SM4 key schedule search

- `/ca [algo]` can be used to search SM4 key schedule

Hardware attacks against SM4
in practice

hardwear.io
NETHERLANDS 2022

SM4 key recovery



SM4 key recovery

```
[0x00000000]> /ca sm4
```

```
INFO: Master key found: 0123456789abcdef123456789abcdef0 @ 0xff  
0x000000ff hit0_0 f98621f1612b6641db28e44757dbe32c
```

Print encryption decryption

- Existing commands `woD` and `woE`
 - Write encryptions or decryptions
- New commands `poE` and `poD` for printing only
 - Usage: `poE [algo] [key] [iv]`

Print encryption decryption

```
[0x00000000]> poE
c      aes-ecb   Block Cipher Mode for Rijndael Encryption
c      aes-cbc   Cipher Block Chaining Mode for Rijndael Encryption
c      aes-wrap  Advanced Encryption Standard Key Wrap Algorithm (RFC 3394)
c      blowfish  Bruce Schneier's symmetric-key block cipher
c      cps2      Capcom Play System 2
c      des-ecb   Simplest and weakest Electronic Code Book for DES
c      rc2       Ron Rivest's Code symmetric key encryption also known as ARC2
c      rc4       Rivest Cipher 4
c      rc6       Rivest's Cipher 6
c  serpent-ecb  Bouncy Castle Cryptography
c      sm4-ecb   ShāngMì4 block cipher
c      xor       Byte level Exclusive Or Encryption
| poE [algo] [key] [iv]  Print block encryption
```

Practical application

- Target (PC)
 - Linux OS
 - Enabled security features
 - Secure Boot
 - Full Disk encryption w/TPM (Trusted Platform Module)
- Goal
 - Decrypt disk content for fun and profit !

TPM 101

- TPM stores a sealed key or passphrase (!= Master Key)
- During boot, BIOS/UEFI and OS bootloader measure components
- Extend the hash value of some Platform Configuration Registers
 - PCR0 = Core system firmware executable code
 - PCR1 = Core system firmware data/host platform configuration
- Key is released only if current PCRs match the ones at seal time
- Any unauthorized changes prevent TPM from releasing the key

Disk Encryption key recovery

- Simple, Low-Cost Attack
- Solder wires to TPM pins
 - Speed-up with tools
- Monitor signals at boot
 - Wait for Unseal command



Disk Encryption key recovery

- But...
 - Target uses fTPM (Intel PTT)
 - Where to put the probe ?

Smart move :)

Really ?



dTPM



fTPM

Luckily

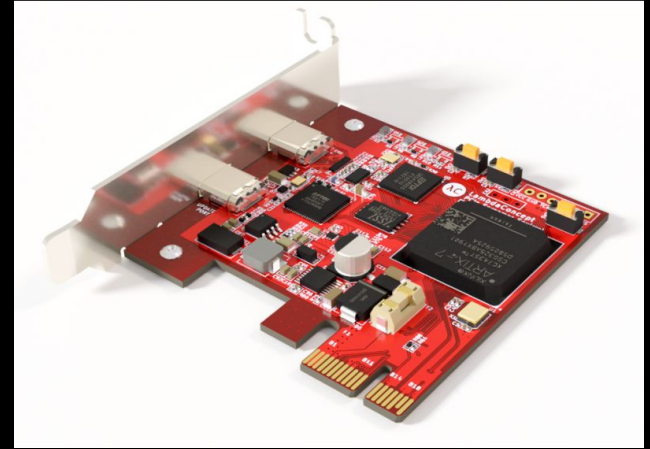
- For some reasons...
 - ✓ BIOS password not set
 - ✓ BIOS settings (PCR #1) not measured...(only 0,2,7)
- Which BIOS settings to modify ?
 - Secure boot ?
 - ✗ Secureboot status and list of enrolled keys (PCR #7)
 - Intel VT-d ?
 - ✓ Disables the IOMMU
 - Note: Not required if booting UKI without `intel_iommu=on`
- Direct Memory Access (DMA) attack ftw !

Dump memory

- Plug PCI Leech in the target
- Boot the system
- Dump entire memory

```
pcileech dump -out dump.img -v -vv -device fpga
```

- Use `/ca aes|sm4` to find key expansion(s) in memory
 - Decrypt the disk with the recovered keys
- Demo ! (replicated setup on VMs)



```
[r2con@r2con ~]$ r2 -e search.from=0x27000000 -e search.maxhits=2 -n aes_dump.raw
[0x00000000]> /ca aes
[# ]0x29d7c234 hit0_0 d1d581b9d605beb7f629f771683f3b4d5875e766c90d9fdc0b17e78bafcab3d2
0x29d7c424 hit0_1 eba04af0b4455da3db925df46a65a2d73d752cffe9df09471a2e9c60e270fefe
[0x00000000]> 
```

LUKS header information for aes.img

Cipher name: aes

Cipher mode: xts-plain64

Payload offset: 32768

UUID: c68a3485-bf79-45a4-8378-458558a2d7f6

MK bits: 512

MK dump: eb a0 4a f0 b4 45 5d a3 db 92 5d f4 6a 65 a2 d7
3d 75 2c ff ef df 09 47 1a 2e 9c 60 e2 70 fe fe
d1 d5 81 b9 d6 05 be b7 f6 29 f7 71 68 3f 3b 4d
58 75 e7 66 c9 0d 9f dc 0b 17 e7 8b af ea b3 d2

```
[r2con@r2con ~]$ r2 -e search.from=0x23000000 -e search.maxhits=2 -n sm4_dump.raw
```

```
[0x00000000]> /ca sm4
```

```
[# ]INFO: Master key found: 7b7b8f3520a4f9b95d7686c220ebd09c @0x23914224
```

```
[# ]INFO: Master key found: 75e012fceaa98c84dfb6d7721404cd13 @0x23976c2c
```

```
0x23914224 hit0_0 7908d45834bc2457371501453bb1f5dd
```

```
0x23976c2c hit0_1 280793659dc9c2e2234528c231f23e72
```

```
[0x00000000]> █
```


LUKS header information for sm4.img

Cipher name: sm4

Cipher mode: xts-plain64

Payload offset: 32768

UUID: 00b98fcd-5407-4e30-bbeb-810b23e91f75

MK bits: 256

MK dump: 75 e0 12 fc ea a9 8c 84 df b6 d7 72 14 04 cd 13
7b 7b 8f 35 20 a4 f9 b9 5d 76 86 c2 20 eb d0 9c

Results

- Recover the disk encryption key
- Dump content of the disk
- Reverse engineer of some binaries
 - Discovery of multiple RCE

News from asymmetric crypto

More r2 commands

- Search commands
 - /cd ASN.1/DER certificates
 - /cr ASN.1/DER private keys (RSA and ECC)
 - /cg GPG/PGP keys and signatures
- Decode commands
 - pFa[jqt] [len] print decoded ASN.1/DER
 - pFo[j] [len] print decoded ASN.1 OID
 - pFp[j] [len] print decoded PKCS7
 - pFx[j] [len] print decoded X509

Real-world scenario

- IoT device
- ARM microcontroller
- Unprotected console (UART)
- Command to read/write to arbitrary locations
 - Dump microcontroller firmware
 - Dump external memory

External memory

- Often stores sensitive data
- Device connected to the cloud via Wifi
- Time to hunt for certificates !!

```
[r2con@r2con ~]$ r2 -n spi.bin
[0x00000000]> b 1000
[0x00000000]> /cr
0x0009b5fc hit0_0 304f020100301c311a301806035504030c11302a300506032b6570032100a000300506032b657003...
0x002803a6 hit0_1 304f020100301c311a301806035504030c11a000300506032b65700341003a206d697373696e6700...
[0x00000000]> pFa @hit0_0
OFFSET HDR + OBJ DEPTH FORM NAME : VALUE
  0 0x2 + 0x4f 0 cons SEQUENCE : 30
 0x2 0x2 + 0x1 1 prim INTEGER : 00
 0x5 0x2 + 0x1c 1 cons SEQUENCE : 30
 0x7 0x2 + 0x1a 2 cons SET : 31
 0x9 0x2 + 0x18 3 cons SEQUENCE : 30
 0xb 0x2 + 0x3 4 prim OBJECT_IDENTIFIER : commonName
0x10 0x2 + 0x11 4 prim UTF8String : 0*0...+ep.!
0x23 0x2 + 0x2b 1 prim BIT_STRING : 700341006373723d00686d61633d002d2d2d2d424547494e204345525449464943415445205245515545 (235 bits)

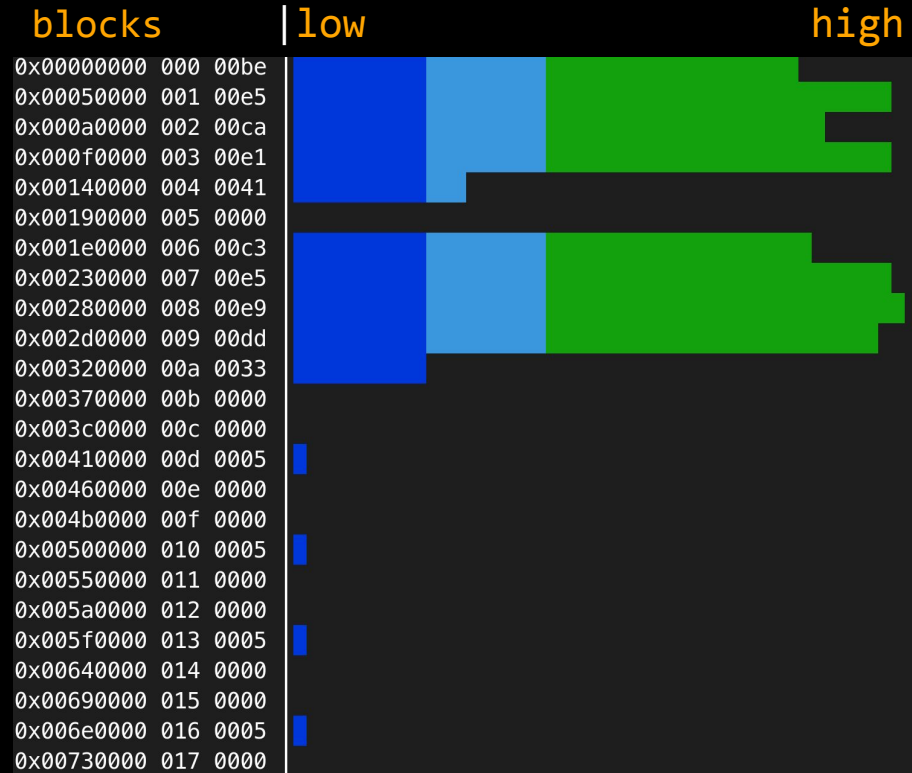
[0x00000000]> pFa @hit0_1
OFFSET HDR + OBJ DEPTH FORM NAME : VALUE
  0 0x2 + 0x4f 0 cons SEQUENCE : 30
 0x2 0x2 + 0x1 1 prim INTEGER : 00
 0x5 0x2 + 0x1c 1 cons SEQUENCE : 30
 0x7 0x2 + 0x1a 2 cons SET : 31
 0x9 0x2 + 0x18 3 cons SEQUENCE : 30
 0xb 0x2 + 0x3 4 prim OBJECT_IDENTIFIER : commonName
0x10 0x2 + 0x11 4 prim UTF8String : .
0x23 0x2 + 0x2c 1 cons Application_19 : (840 bits)
0x25 0x2 + 0x2a 2 cons Application_14 : (824 bits)
0x27 0x2 + 0x28 3 prim EOC : (784 bits)

[0x00000000]> /cd
0x000009b0 hit1_0 308201093081bca0030201
[0x00000000]> █
```

```
[0x00000000]> pFa @hit1_0
OFFSET HDR + OBJ DEPTH FORM NAME : VALUE
0 0x4 + 0x109 0 cons SEQUENCE : 30
0x4 0x3 + 0xbc 1 cons SEQUENCE : 30
0x7 0x2 + 0x3 2 cons Context [0] :
0x9 0x2 + 0x1 3 prim INTEGER : 02
0xc 0x2 + 0x10 2 prim INTEGER : 2ab59455b5d0dc96101ed8a52fb5e9ac
0x1e 0x2 + 0x5 2 cons SEQUENCE : 30
0x20 0x2 + 0x3 3 prim OBJECT_IDENTIFIER : id-Ed25519
0x25 0x2 + 0x11 2 cons SEQUENCE : 30
0x27 0x2 + 0xf 3 cons SET : 31
0x29 0x2 + 0xd 4 cons SEQUENCE : 30
0x2b 0x2 + 0x3 5 prim OBJECT_IDENTIFIER : commonName
0x30 0x2 + 0x6 5 prim UTF8String : MY_CA_
0x38 0x2 + 0x20 2 cons SEQUENCE : 30
0x3a 0x2 + 0xd 3 prim UTCTime : 03/08/2023 00:00:00 GMT
0x49 0x2 + 0xf 3 prim GeneralizedTime : 02/08/2103 23:59:59 GMT
0x5a 0x2 + 0x1c 2 cons SEQUENCE : 30
0x5c 0x2 + 0x1a 3 cons SET : 31
0x5e 0x2 + 0x18 4 cons SEQUENCE : 30
0x60 0x2 + 0x3 5 prim OBJECT_IDENTIFIER : commonName
0x65 0x2 + 0x11 5 prim PrintableString : aa:bb:cc:dd:ee:ff
0x78 0x2 + 0x2a 2 cons SEQUENCE : 30
0x7a 0x2 + 0x5 3 cons SEQUENCE : 30
0x7c 0x2 + 0x3 4 prim OBJECT_IDENTIFIER : id-Ed25519
0x81 0x2 + 0x21 3 prim BIT_STRING : f0d889ba13bd559c1fa82e32ca784b0bce14bd6ebfb2c614d56654ad98be6006a3 (256 bits)
0xa4 0x2 + 0x1d 2 cons Context [3] : 1b300c0603551d130101ff04023000300b0603551d0f0404030205e030 (176 bits)
0xa7 0x2 + 0x1a 3 prim GeneralString : 0c0603551d130101ff04023000300b0603551d0f0404030205e0 (384 bits)
0xc3 0x2 + 0x5 1 cons SEQUENCE : 30
0xc5 0x2 + 0x3 2 prim OBJECT_IDENTIFIER : id-Ed25519
0xca 0x2 + 0x41 1 prim BIT_STRING : 9fec0ebe966ca24fb1e5e55f14b010ecb590332f49a15bdabbe2b0a70ed437f2a159c8f2d1a91ba3bc0eb1de627f4bed0e
0... (512 bits)
```


Now what ?

- `/cr` No private key found ;(
- `p=e` Entropy on memory dump is low
- Reverse engineering of the firmware
 - Pointers to external memory
 - Not ASN.1 format
- How to find the private key?



Ed25519 signature in a nutshell

- Public-key signature system
 - $E\text{dDSA} \neq E\text{CDSA}$
 - No dependency on random number generator
- Fast
 - Key generation
 - Signature verification (up to 64 in batch)
- Small
 - Keys (32 bytes)
 - Signatures (64 bytes)

Searching private key from public

- The relation between a Ed25519 public key (pk) and its private key (sk) is:

$$pk = sk \cdot G$$

- Where G is the base point on the elliptic curve

Searching private key from public

sk	sk	d	a	t	a	d	a
t	a	d	a	t	pk	pk	a
t	sk	sk	a	t	a	d	a
t	a	d	a	t	pk	pk	a
t	a	sk	sk	t	a	d	a
t	a	d	a	t	pk	pk	a
t	a	d	sk	sk	a	d	a
t	a	d	a	t	pk	pk	a

$$\text{sk} \cdot G == \text{pk} ?$$

Searching private key from public

sk	sk	d	a
t	a	d	a
t	sk	sk	a
t	a	d	a
t	a	sk	sk
t	a	d	a
t	a	d	sk
t	a	d	a



= pk ?

Python to the rescue !

```
from cryptography import x509
from cryptography.hazmat.primitives import serialization
from cryptography.hazmat.backends import default_backend
from cryptography.hazmat.primitives.serialization import load_der_private_key
from cryptography.hazmat.primitives.asymmetric import ed25519
```

init pk

```
cert_data = open("public.der", "rb").read()
public_key = x509.load_der_x509_certificate(cert_data, default_backend()).public_key()
public_key_bytes = public_key.public_bytes(encoding=serialization.Encoding.Raw, format=serialization.PublicFormat.Raw)
```

load sk

```
binary_data = open("spi.bin", "rb").read()
for i in range(0, len(binary_data)+1 - 32, 1):
    private_key_bytes = binary_data[i:i + 32]
    try:
```

generate pk'

```
        private_key = ed25519.Ed25519PrivateKey.from_private_bytes(private_key_bytes)

        generated_public_key = private_key.public_key()
        test = generated_public_key.public_bytes(encoding=serialization.Encoding.Raw, format=serialization.PublicFormat.Raw)
```

pk == pk' ?

```
        if public_key_bytes == test:
            print("FOUND")
            print(f"offset = {hex(i)}")
            print(private_key_bytes.hex())
```

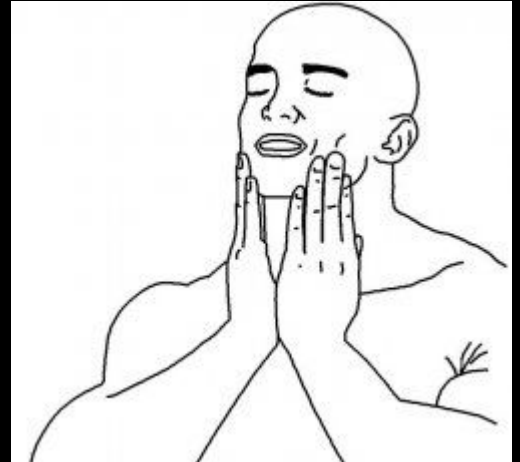
FOUND

offset = 0x98a

0842f389403daa889b5e919587af4b47a330f2848c9536170a8f0852342c6d5a

What if...

- such feature could be useful to others...
- Feature request to ~~r2-crypto team~~ @ipolit
 - Let's add another command to r2 !
 - PR merged ([#23195](#))



Introducing /cp

- Find private key from public key within r2
 - /cp [algo] [pubkey]
- For now, only Ed25519 supported
 - As always... PR welcome !
 - Plan to support SSL algorithms
 - 100% money back guarantee
- Coming with another new commands:
 - Print signature of a block (pos [algo] [key])



0x4	0x3	+	0xbc	1 cons SEQUENCE	: 30
0x7	0x2	+	0x3	2 cons Context [0]	:
0x9	0x2	+	0x1	3 prim INTEGER	: 02
0xc	0x2	+	0x10	2 prim INTEGER	: 2ab59455b5d0dc96101ed8a52fb5e9ac
0x1e	0x2	+	0x5	2 cons SEQUENCE	: 30
0x20	0x2	+	0x3	3 prim OBJECT_IDENTIFIER	: id-Ed25519
0x25	0x2	+	0x11	2 cons SEQUENCE	: 30
0x27	0x2	+	0xf	3 cons SET	: 31
0x29	0x2	+	0xd	4 cons SEQUENCE	: 30
0x2b	0x2	+	0x3	5 prim OBJECT_IDENTIFIER	: commonName
0x30	0x2	+	0x6	5 prim UTF8String	: MY_CA_
0x38	0x2	+	0x20	2 cons SEQUENCE	: 30
0x3a	0x2	+	0xd	3 prim UTCTime	: 03/08/2023 00:00:00 GMT
0x49	0x2	+	0xf	3 prim GeneralizedTime	: 02/08/2103 23:59:59 GMT
0x5a	0x2	+	0x1c	2 cons SEQUENCE	: 30
0x5c	0x2	+	0x1a	3 cons SET	: 31
0x5e	0x2	+	0x18	4 cons SEQUENCE	: 30
0x60	0x2	+	0x3	5 prim OBJECT_IDENTIFIER	: commonName
0x65	0x2	+	0x11	5 prim PrintableString	: aa:bb:cc:dd:ee:ff
0x78	0x2	+	0x2a	2 cons SEQUENCE	: 30
0x7a	0x2	+	0x5	3 cons SEQUENCE	: 30
0x7c	0x2	+	0x3	4 prim OBJECT_IDENTIFIER	: id-Ed25519
0x81	0x2	+	0x21	3 prim BIT_STRING	: f0d889ba13bd559c1fa82e32ca784b0bce14bd6ebfb2c614d56654ad98be6006a3 (256 bits)
0xa4	0x2	+	0x1d	2 cons Context [3]	: 1b300c0603551d130101ff04023000300b0603551d0f0404030205e030 (176 bits)
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0xc3	0x2	+	0x5	1 cons SEQUENCE	: 30
0xc5	0x2	+	0x3	2 prim OBJECT_IDENTIFIER	: id-Ed25519
0xca	0x2	+	0x41	1 prim BIT_STRING	: 9fec0ebe966ca24fb1e5e55f14b010ecb590332f49a15bdabbe2b0a70ed437f2a159c8f2d1a91ba3bc0eb1de627f4bed0e

0... (512 bits)

[0x000009b0]> s+0x81+0x2+0x1

[0x00000a34]> /cp ed25519 `p8 32`

0x0000098a hit3_0 0842f389403daa889b5e919587af4b47a330f2848c9536170a8f0852342c6d5a

[0x00000a34]> █

Results

- Recover public and private certificates
- Impersonate the device against cloud
 - Retrieve new firmware updates
 - Fake device telemetry
 - Further attacks at scale

Conclusion

- Radare2 as an all-in-one tool
 - Evolution of cryptography related commands
 - Demonstration on real-world situations
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- Thank you !

Questions