

Hacking satellites

~~From SDR to RCE.~~

De la radio logicielle à l'exécution de commande à distance.



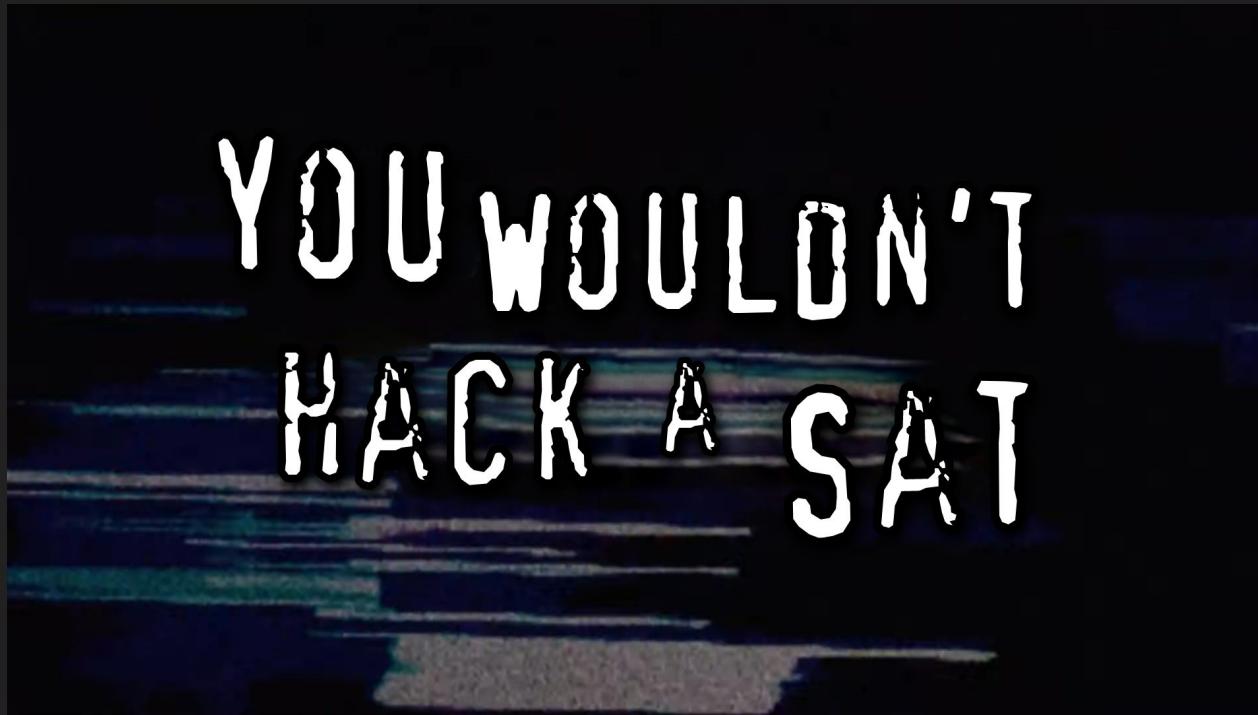
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Avertissement légal



Cyberattaques.

Chinese hackers suspected of interfering with US satellites

Two US government satellites fell victim to cyber-attacks in 2007 and 2008, claims report highlighting control systems' vulnerability



Landsat 7 satellite image of the area around Los Alamos showing forest fires in New Mexico. The Landsat 7 was hacked in 2007 and 2008. Photograph: Rob Simon/AP

Chinese hackers are suspected of having interfered with the operation of two US government satellites on four occasions via a ground station, according to a report being prepared for the [US Congress](#).



BBC

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UK blames Russia for satellite internet hack at start of war

10 May 2022

By Chris Vallance, Technology Reporter

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The BBC news article features the Viasat logo, which consists of the word "viasat" in a bold, lowercase sans-serif font followed by a stylized blue and green wave graphic. Below the logo is a 3D rendering of a communications satellite in space, with solar panels and antennae.

Russia was behind a cyber-attack targeting American commercial satellite internet company Viasat, UK and US intelligence suggests.

thejapan times

JAPAN

Japan's space agency hit by repeated cyberattacks since last year

During the attacks, private data on JAXA employees as well as information on external parties might have leaked. It has been reported. | BLOOMBERG

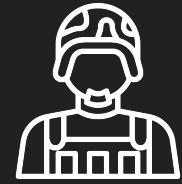
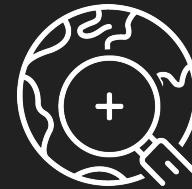
BY GABRIELE NINIVAGGI STAFF WRITER

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L'importance des satellites dans l'infrastructure moderne.



Type de satellites



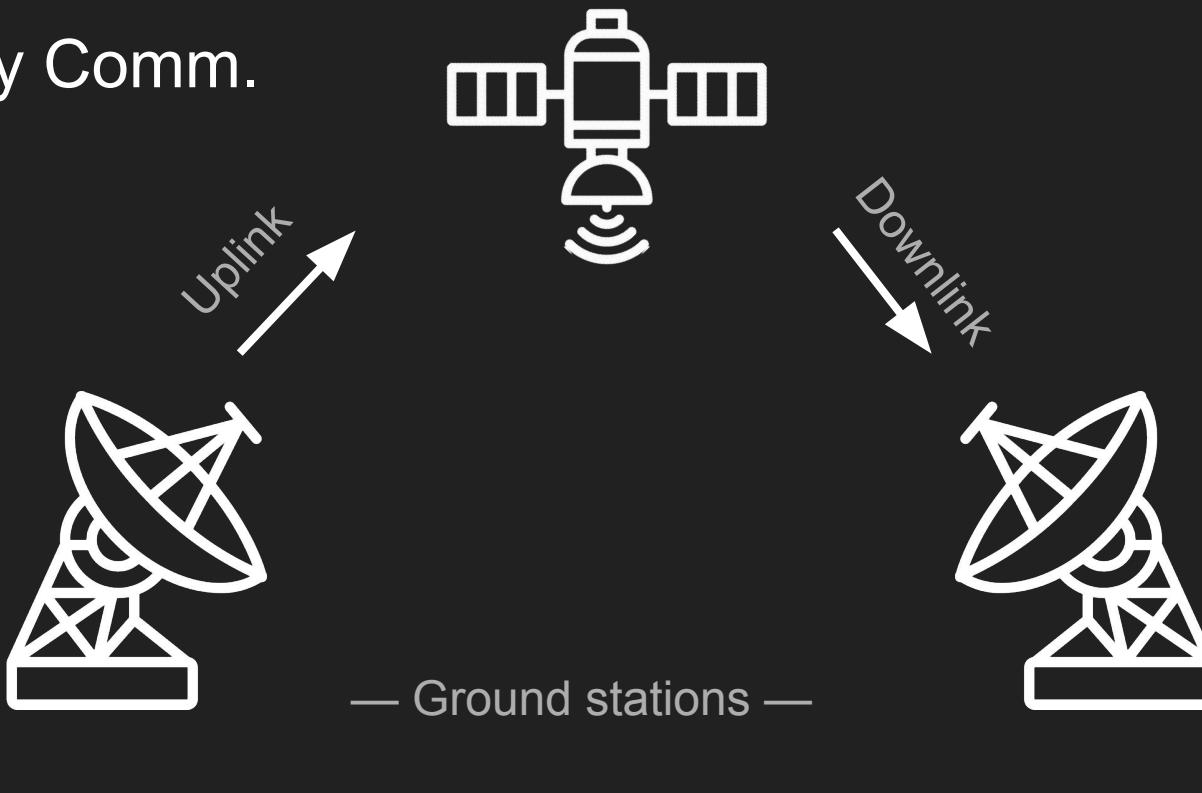
Différentes orbites:

- LEO: de 160 km à 2000 km
- MEO: 2000 km à 35000 km
- GEO: 35786 km



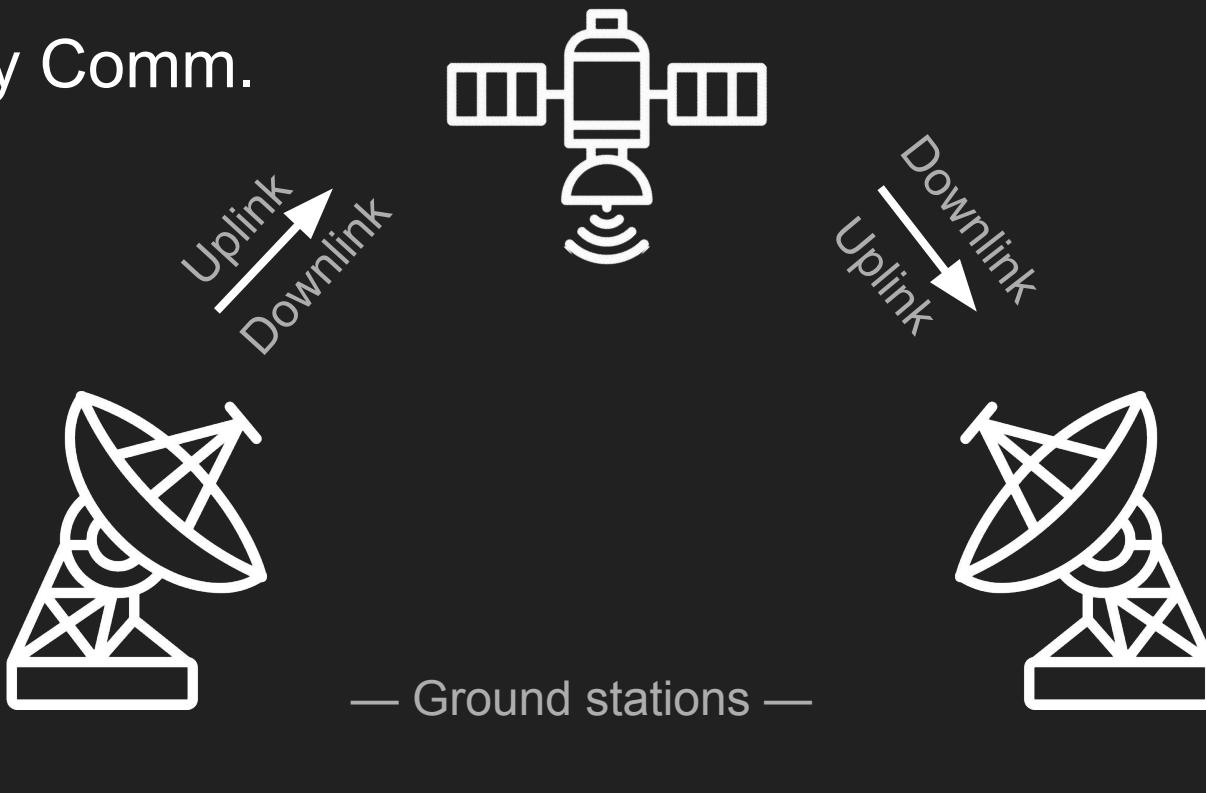
Méthode de communication.

One way Comm.



Méthode de communication.

Two way Comm.



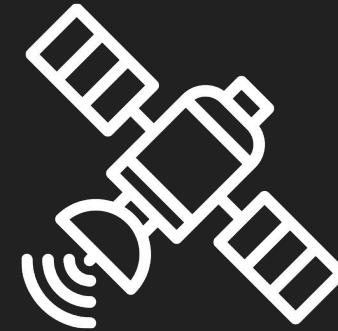
Bande de fréquences:



- **UHF** (300 MHz à 3 GHz)
- **Bandé L** (1 à 2 GHz)
- **Bandé S** (2 à 4 GHz)
- **Bandé Ku** (12 à 18 GHz)
- **Bandé Ka** (26,5 à 40 GHz)



Aperçu des protocoles de communications.



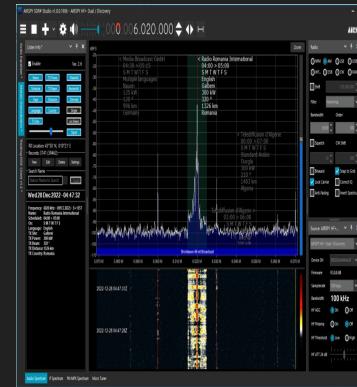
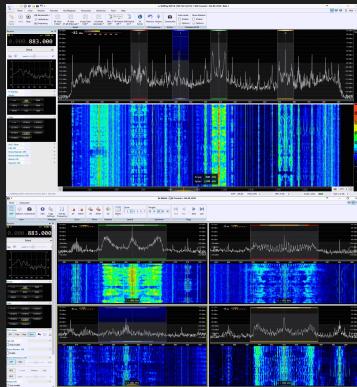
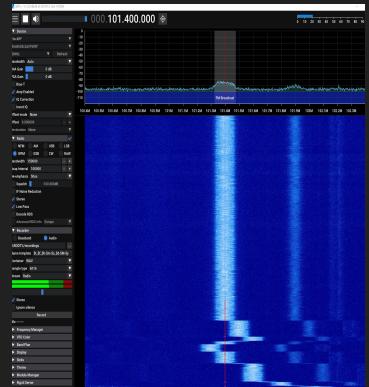
Introduction à la SDR

Software defined
radio processing

Analog/Hardware
defined radio
processing



Introduction à la SDR



Introduction à la SDR



<https://greatscottgadgets.com/hackrf/one/>



<https://www.nooelec.com/store/sdr/sdr-receivers/nesdr-smartee-xtr.html>



<https://kb.ettus.com/B200/B210/B200mini/B205mini>



Antenne: DIY



Antenne S-band



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Le rôle de la SDR dans l'audit de Satellites



- [SatNOGS](#)
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- [SAT Passes](#)
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- <https://www.sdrpp.org/>
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- <https://www.sdrplay.com/sdruno/>

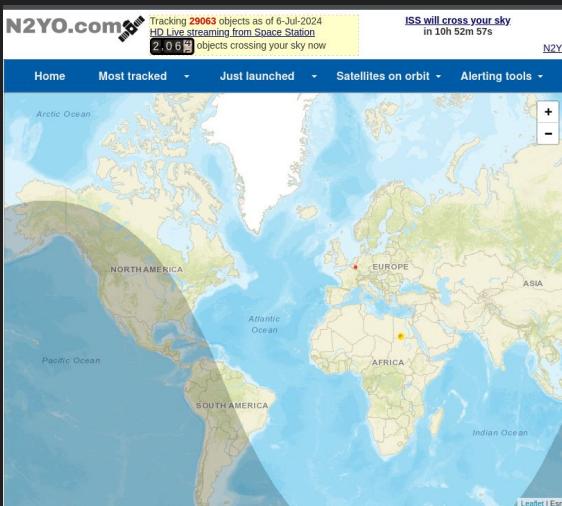
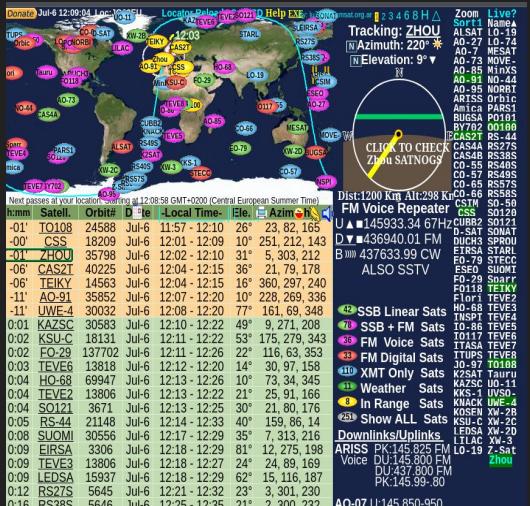


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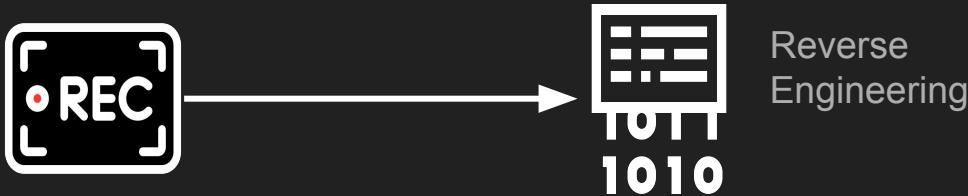
Prédiction de passage



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Rétro-ingénierie de signal



Reverse
Engineering

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8klxlMIGctc>
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Attaquer un satellite, est-ce possible ?

Attaqueur configuration:

- BlackSDR B200 mini: 500€



Antenne: DIY

- RF Amplifier 50w: 220€



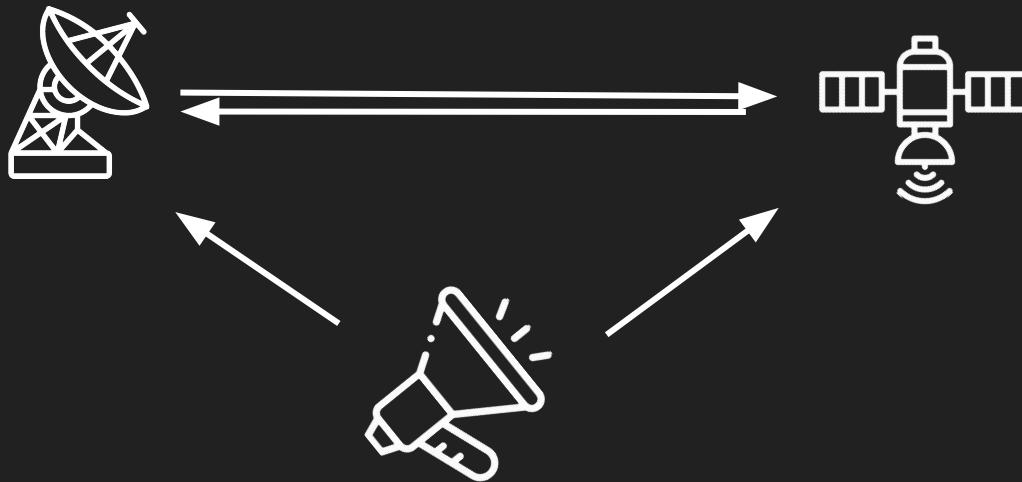
- Monture Azimuthal: 150-500€



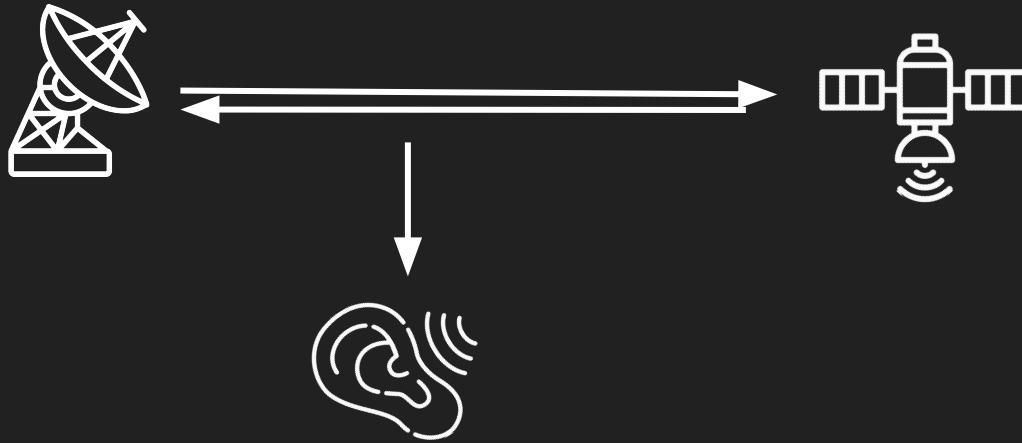
- Laptop milieu de gamme: 750-1000€



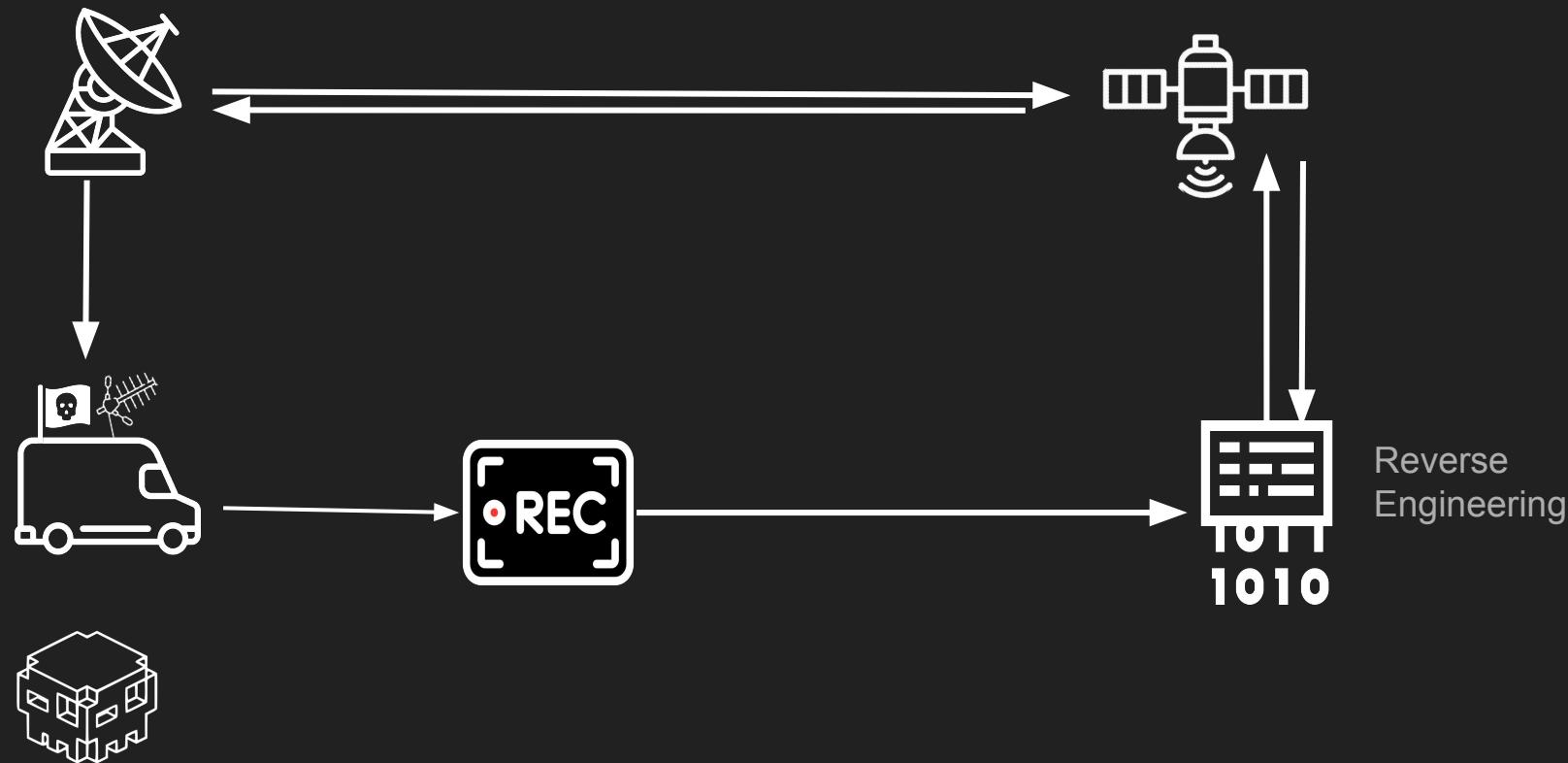
Jamming - Brouillage



Eavesdropping - écoute

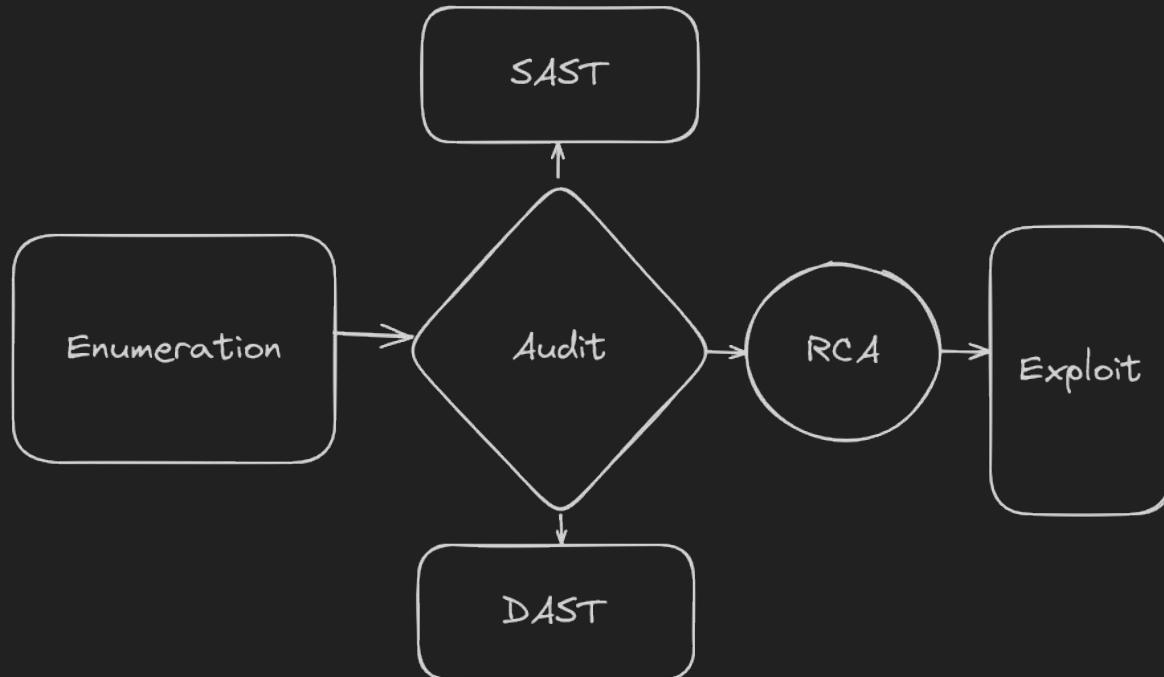


Link takeover - Prise de control



Audit des logiciels Satellites.

Workflow:



Audit des protocoles réseaux SAT.

- ESA Open Source Software:
https://www.esa.int/Enabling_Support/Space_Engineering_Technology/Radio_Frequency_Systems/Open_Source_Software_Resources_for_Space_Downstream_Applications%20#Table3
- Nasa core Flight System: <https://cfs.gsfc.nasa.gov/>
- Cubesat: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cubesat_Space_Protocol
- LibCSP: <https://github.com/libcsp/libcsp/tree/develop/doc>



Introduction aux techniques de DAST/SAST.

Dynamic Analysis

- AFL/AFL++
- libAFL
- libFuzzer
- honggfuzz

Static Analysis

- Semgrep
- CodeQL
- cppCheck
- ClangStaticAnalyzer
- Manual source code review



script d'installation:

<https://github.com/20urc3/Talks/blob/main/leHack/sdast.sh>

Appliquer les SAST



Recherche de vulnérabilité: Résultats SAST

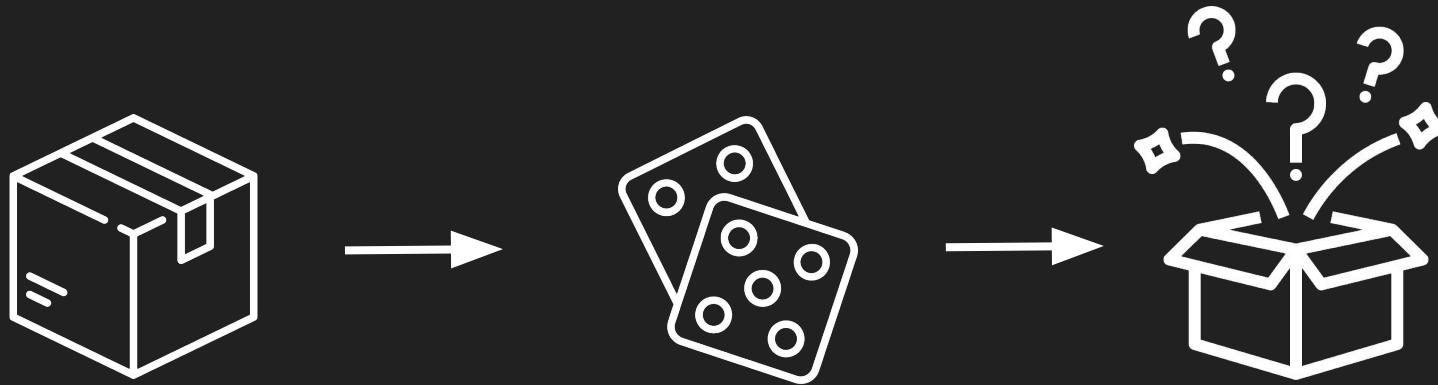
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Dereference of null pointer	4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Function call with invalid argument	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Uninitialized argument value	3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Memory error		
Memory leak	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Stream handling error		
Resource leak	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Dead assignment	15	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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cpp	35	47			
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221 Code Findings					

Line ↓	File	Message
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△ 1697	.c	The value of this argument may come from an environment variable
warning: Possible null pointer dereference: last [nullPointer]		



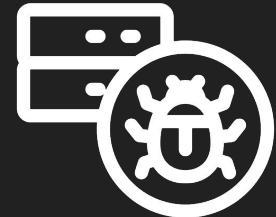
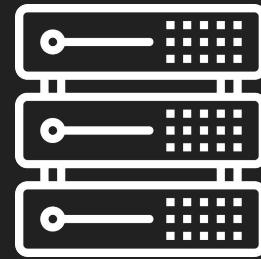
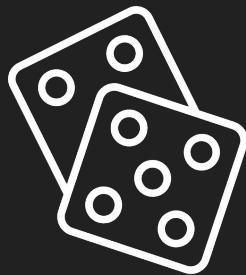
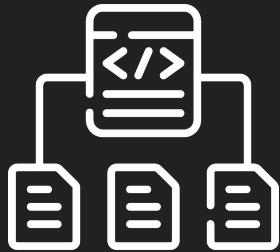
Recherche de vulnérabilité: DAST / Fuzzing



[Introduction au fuzzing](#)

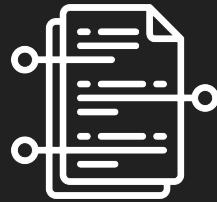


Comment s'applique le fuzzing à libcsp/ZeroMQ

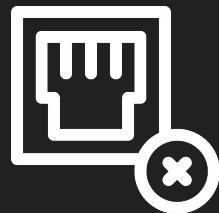


Le fuzzing de protocol réseau

Comment s'applique le fuzzing à libcsp/ZeroMQ



Spécifier une
grammaire



de-sock le
programme
cible



Configurer AFL++ avec
votre grammar-mutator

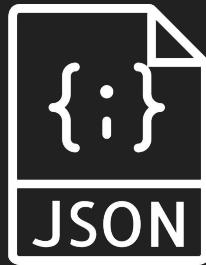


[AFL-Grammar](#) | [Preeny](#)

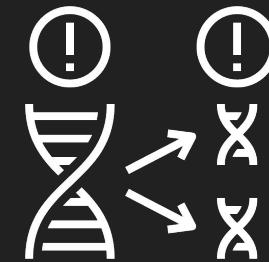
Créer votre custom-grammar mutator



ZeroMQ RFC



Custom grammar



Créer votre mutator



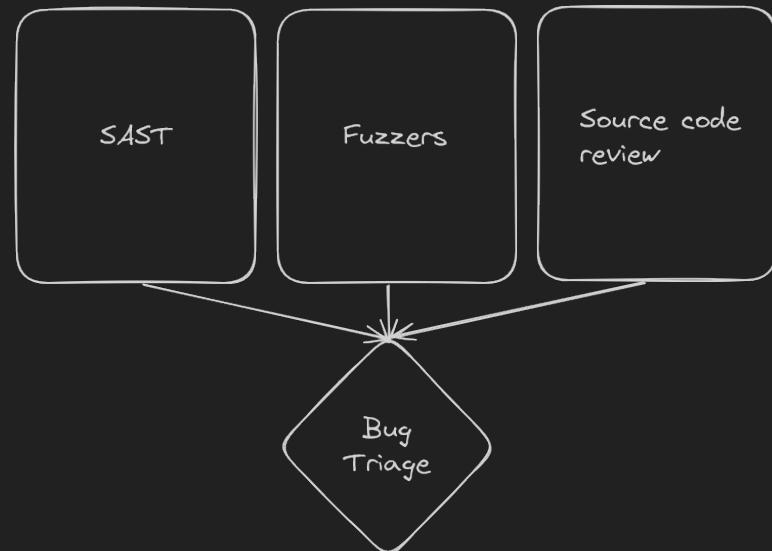
[ZMQ-Mutator](#) | [ZMQ-Grammar](#)

Recherche de vulnérabilité: Résultats DAST

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Recherche de vulnérabilité



Recherche de vulnérabilité: Bug triage

?



RCA - Analyse de vulnérabilité

CVE in libcsp: <https://www.cvedetails.com/cve/CVE-2016-8598/>

Buffer overflow in the zmq interface in csp_if_zmqhub.c in the libcsp library v1.4 and earlier allows hostile computers connected via a zmq interface to execute arbitrary code via a long packet.



RCA - Analyse de vulnérabilité

```
CSP_DEFINE_TASK(csp_zmqhub_task) {
    while(1) {
        zmq_msg_t msg;
        assert(zmq_msg_init_size(&msg, 1024) == 0);
        /* Receive data */
        if (zmq_msg_recv(&msg, subscriber, 0) < 0) {
            zmq_msg_close(&msg);
            csp_log_error("ZMQ: %s", zmq_strerror(zmq_errno()));
            continue;
        }
        int datalen = zmq_msg_size(&msg);
        if (datalen < 5) {
            csp_log_warn("ZMQ: Too short datalen: %u", datalen);
            while(zmq_msg_recv(&msg, subscriber, ZMQ_NOBLOCK) > 0)
                zmq_msg_close(&msg);
            continue;
        }
        /* Create new csp packet */
        csp_packet_t * packet = csp_buffer_get(256);
        if (packet == NULL) {
            zmq_msg_close(&msg);
            continue;
        }

        /* Copy the data from zmq to csp */
        char * satidptr = ((char *) &packet->id) - 1;
        memcpy(satidptr, zmq_msg_data(&msg), datalen);
        packet->length = datalen - 4 - 1;
        /* Queue up packet to router */
        csp_qfifo_write(packet, &csp_if_zmqhub, NULL);
        zmq_msg_close(&msg);
    }
    return CSP_TASK_RETURN;
}
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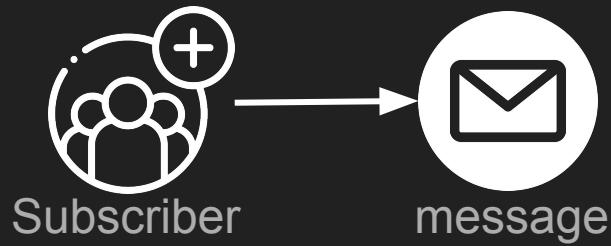


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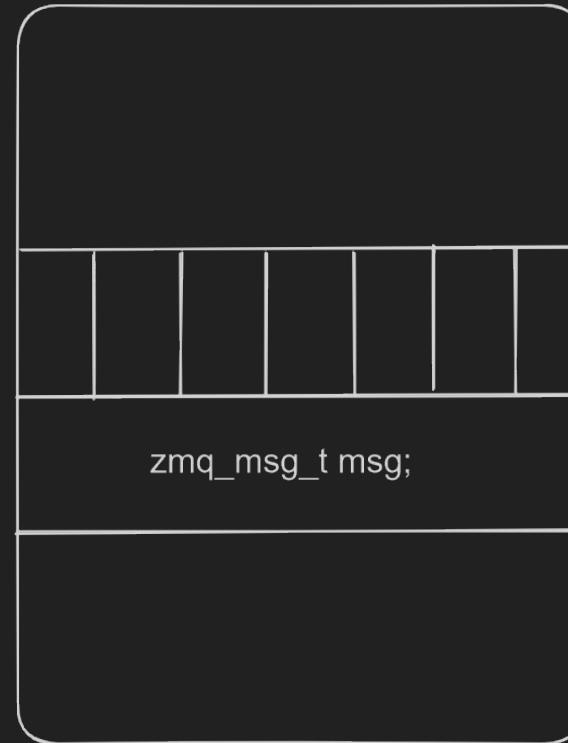
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00125 /*****  
00126 /* 0MQ message definition. */  
00127 *****/  
00128  
00129 typedef struct {unsigned char _ [32];} zmq_msg_t;  
00130  
00131 typedef void (zmq_free_fn) (void *data, void *hint);  
00132  
00133 ZMQ_EXPORT int zmq_msg_init (zmq_msg_t *msg);  
00134 ZMQ_EXPORT int zmq_msg_init_size (zmq_msg_t *msg, size_t size);  
00135 ZMQ_EXPORT int zmq_msg_init_data (zmq_msg_t *msg, void *data,  
00136     size_t size, zmq_free_fn *ffn, void *hint);  
00137 ZMQ_EXPORT int zmq_msg_close (zmq_msg_t *msg);  
00138 ZMQ_EXPORT int zmq_msg_move (zmq_msg_t *dest, zmq_msg_t *src);  
00139 ZMQ_EXPORT int zmq_msg_copy (zmq_msg_t *dest, zmq_msg_t *src);  
00140 ZMQ_EXPORT void *zmq_msg_data (zmq_msg_t *msg);  
00141 ZMQ_EXPORT size_t zmq_msg_size (zmq_msg_t *msg);  
00142 ZMQ_EXPORT int zmq_getmsgopt (zmq_msg_t *msg, int option, void *optval,  
00143     size_t *optvallen);
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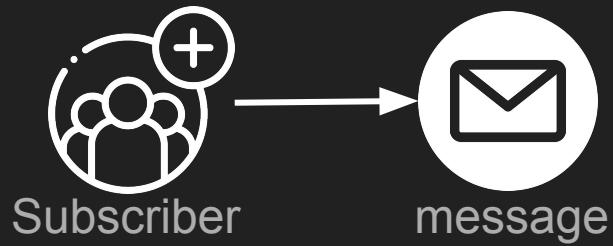
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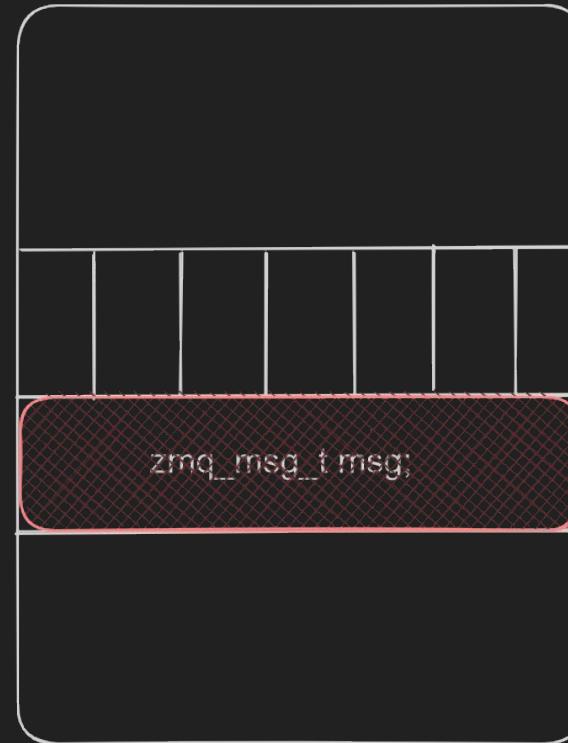
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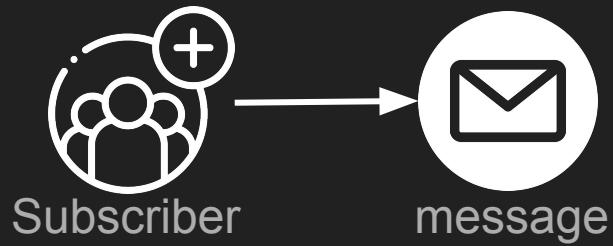


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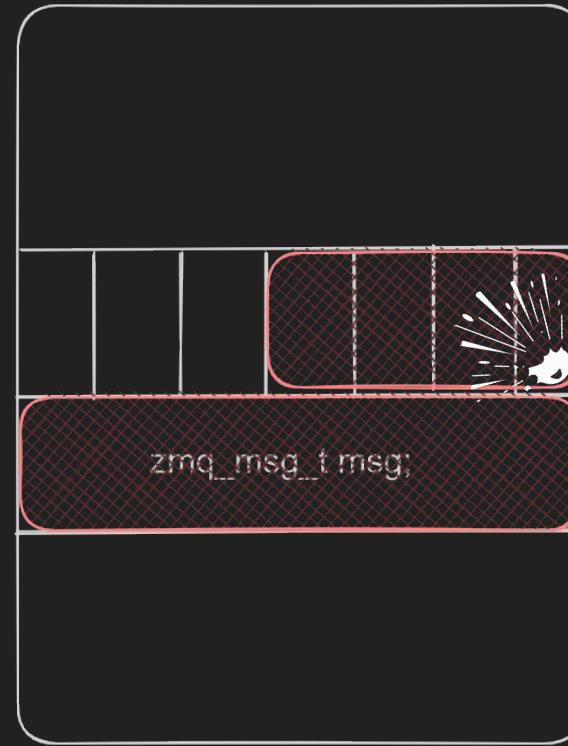


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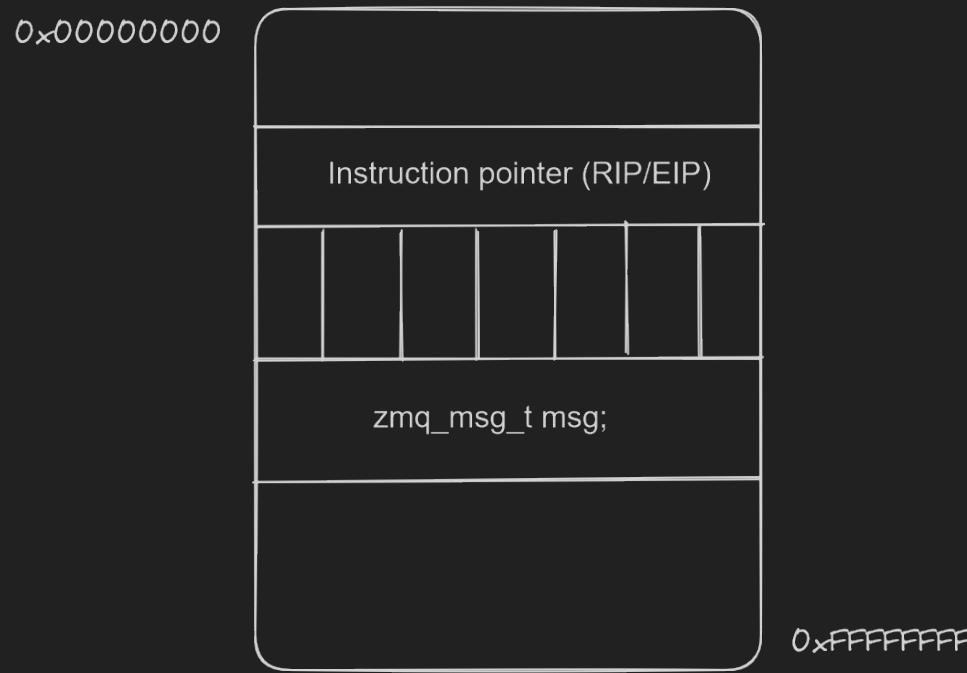


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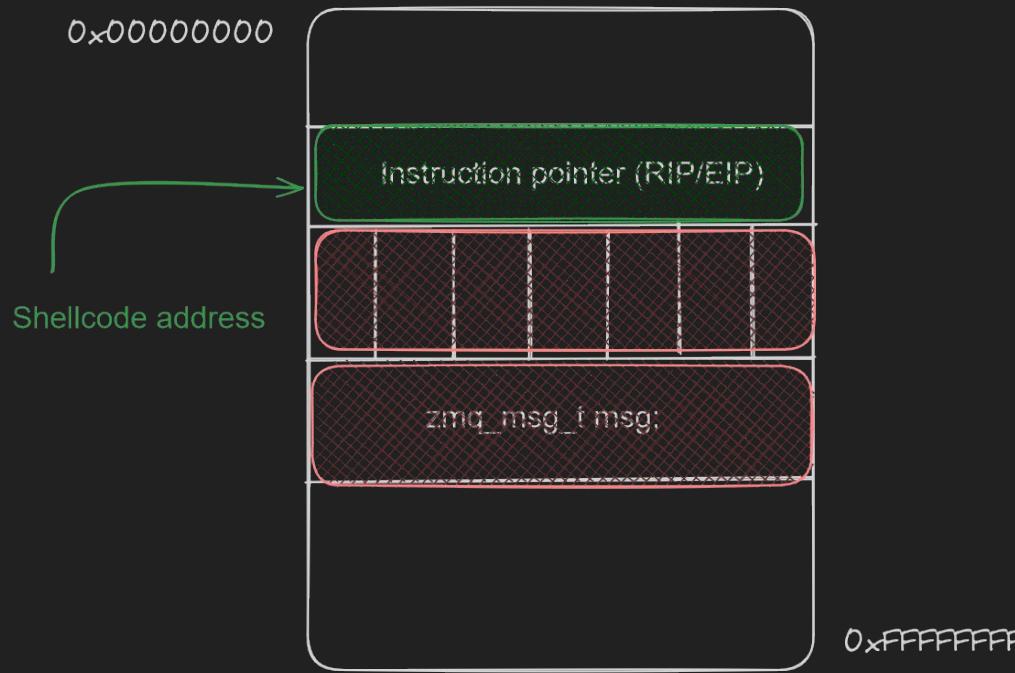
Techniques d'exploitation



Smashing the stack for fun and profit



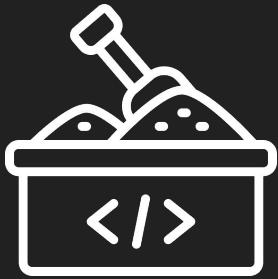
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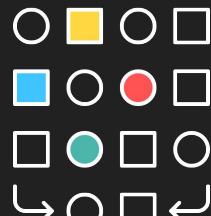
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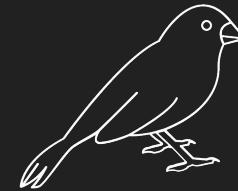
Exploit mitigations



Sandboxing



CFI



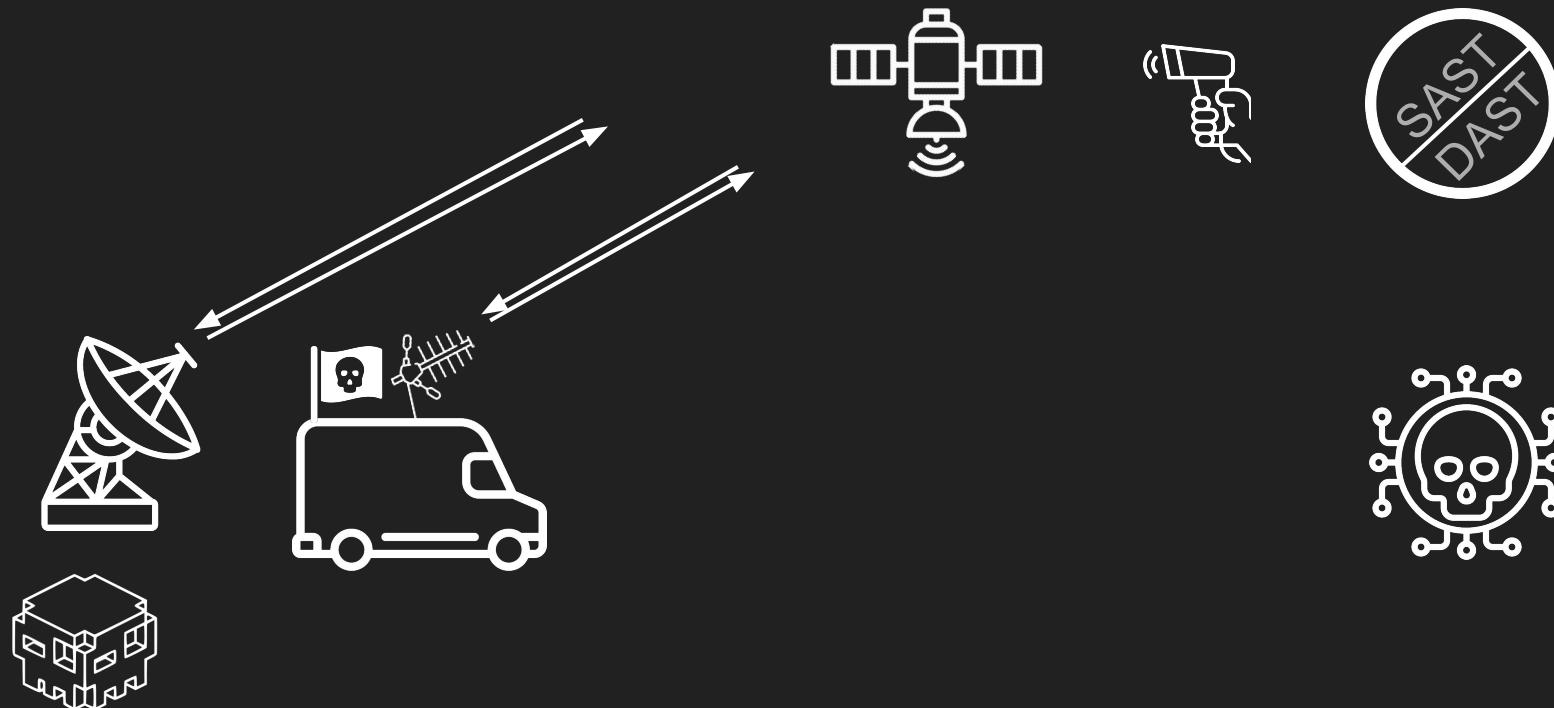
Stack canary



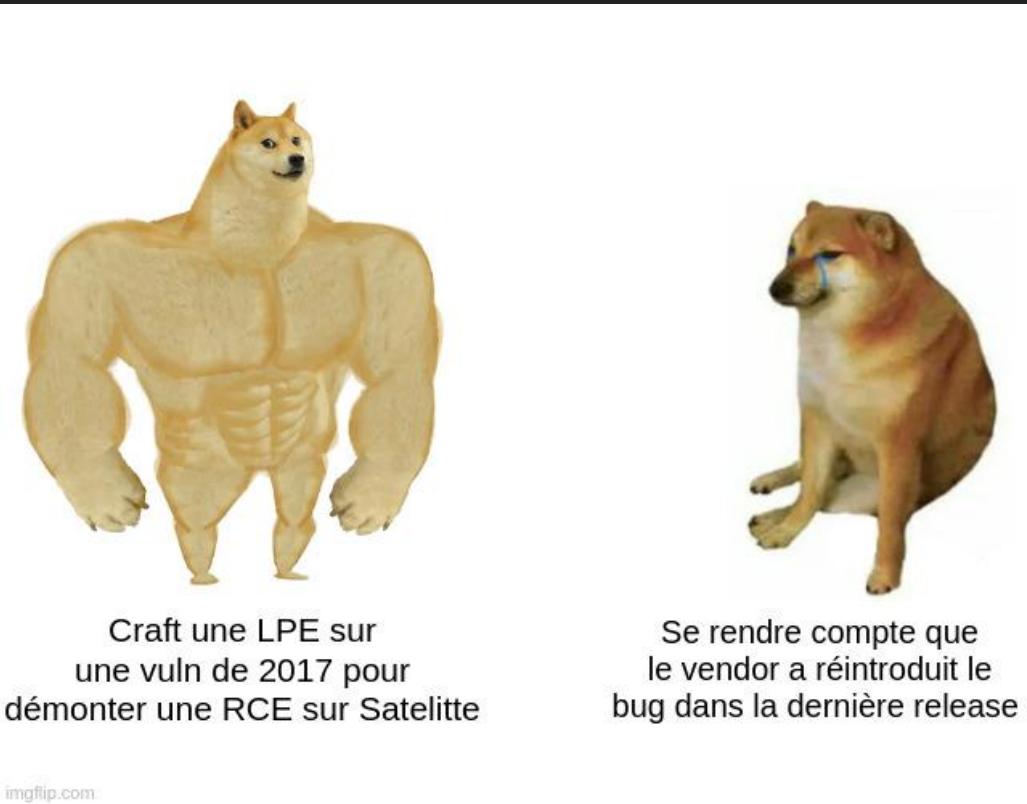
Comprendre les mitigations:
- [NCCGroup liste](#)

Comprendre les mitigations bypass:
- [pwn.college](#)
- [OffByOne](#)

Scénario d'attaque



Démo vidéo de la RCE



Manipulation de données

- Manipulation de données
- Perturbation de systèmes critiques
- Dommages physiques



Besoin d'audit de cybersécurité pour les Satellites.



Bonus: Créez votre lab

- [HackRF](#), [BlackSDR](#), [RTL-SDR dongle](#)
- Logiciel SDR
- RaspberryPI Simulator: <https://github.com/alanbjohnston/CubeSatSim>
- Cable RX/TX: SMA male coaxial cable
- Alternative OS: [FreeRTOS](#)
- Alternative OS: [Yocto Linux](#)



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Merci :-)



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