





Internet of Things

The Mirai Story

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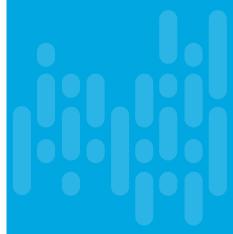
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Agenda

- Why IOT?
- Mirai Design & Development
- Hacking an IOT device!
- Cisco Security



IOT - Internet of Things

- IP Cameras, Smart TV, smart lighting, smart switches, Alexa, Google Home, smart toys, baby monitors etc.
- Over 20 billion IOT devices will be deployed by 2020* (Gartner).

When buying an IOT device, have you thought about:

- Do you really need all the features?
- Changed the default settings?
- Considered device updates?



Mirai



It all started with Minecraft!

- · Second best selling game of all time.
- Bought by Microsoft for \$2.5 billion.
- Has sold over 154 million copies by 2018.
- 91 million active players/month.
- Hosting servers can earn \$100-\$200k/month.



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The American Dream

The team: Paras Jha, Josiah White & Dalton Norman

• Business 1:

- Setup own Minecraft Server.
- Gets DDoS attacks on his server.

Business 2:

- Protraf, a DDoS Mitigation company.
- Recruits his friends to launch a new product called Mirai.



Business Plan

- DDoS Attacks on competing Minecraft servers
- Extortion
- DDoS as a Service
- Click Fraud



Mirai Design

- Named after Mirai Nikki, a 2011 anime series.
- · Targets IOT devices.

Features:

- · Crippling DDoS attacks.
- Hardwired to avoid IP ranges owned by GE, HP and the DoD.
- Some Russian strings to obfuscate the origin.
- Eradicate other worms, trojans, malware.



Splitting up the work

Paras:

- Wrote the original code.
- Official Spokesperson.

White:

Wrote the scanner to identify IOT devices.

Dalton:

Find zero-day exploits and vulnerabilities in IOT devices.



Mirai Internals

- Discovers IOT devices and tries the default login attacks.
- Download the Malware into memory.
- Get rid of other botnet infections and reduce competition.
- Blocks ports to prevent remote management and sysadmin intervention.
- Dials home and opens a connection to C2 server, to await instructions.
- Looks for other devices to infect.

Achievements:

- Amassed an army of over 600K devices.
- Ability to find and infect a new device in under 1hour.



Why IOT devices?

- Over 20 billion IOT devices will be deployed by 2020* (Gartner).
- Ship with default hardcoded credentials.
- Numerous backdoors, Open ports: telnet, ssh, ftp etc.
- Work autonomously, remote deployment.
- · Always connected.
- · Difficult to patch, infrequent firmware updates.
- Universal Plug-and-Play to make itself discoverable.
- Utilizes computing power of the devices, attacks of 1-30Mbs/device only.



Product Release

Target rival Minecraft servers

- ProxyPipe.com Protecting Minecraft servers from DDoS attacks
 - 300Gbps attack.
- OVH French hosting provider. Offered VAC A Minecraft DDoS mitigation tool.
 - 1 Tbit/s attack. (Normal DDoS 10-20Gbps, vDOS ~50Gbps)
- Dyn- managed DNS provider hit in waves peaking at 1.2Tbps.
 - Affects service to Amazon, Spotify, Twitter, Sony PlayStation Network etc.



Product Release - Other Business Units

- DDoS Mitigation Services & Extortion
 - Customers moved to ProTraf from affected Minecraft providers.
 - Attacked ISPs that did not take down Qbot complaints (Frantech).
- DDoS as a service to paying customers
 - \$2,000 and \$3,000 per attack.
 - Hired by other Minecraft servers to attack competing servers.
- Click Fraud (\$16 billion/year industry)
 - 200 bitcoins (~\$180k)



Giving Back: Rutgers University

"The Rutgers infrastructure crumpled like a tin can under the heel of my boot." - Paras Jha

- Launched DDoS attacks between 2014-2016.
- Attacks around mid terms, finals and class registrations.

Effect:

- \$300k in consultation fees.
- \$1 million increase in cyber-security budget.
- Tuition Increase.



The Decline

- DDoS attack on www.krebsonsecurity.com owned by Brian Krebs.
- Barrage of up to 623Gbps
- Akamai drops the website, too costly to defend.
- Forced offline for days.
- Google's <u>Project Shield</u> steps in.
- Attracts FBI attention.

Why are these Minecraft servers getting hit so often?



Covering their tracks

- Erased code from home computers
- Posted code online.
- Posted IoT devices dictionary.



Investigation

Journalist strikes back!

- Four months investigation.
- Tracks down Paras and Josiah.
- Ties them to the Rutgers attack.
- Read the complete story:
 - https://krebsonsecurity.com/2017/01/who-is-anna-senpai-the-mirai-worm-author/

FBI finishes the job.



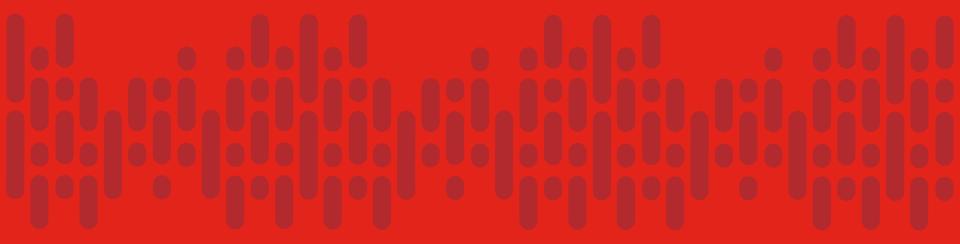
Aftermath

- Plead guilty and sentenced to five years' probation.
- 2,500 hours of community service
- \$127,000 in restitution.
- Cyber crime fighters for the FBI.

Paras Jha (Rutgers University attack)

- Extra 6 months house arrest.
- 2500 hours of community service.
- \$8.6 million restitution.





Demo

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Mission

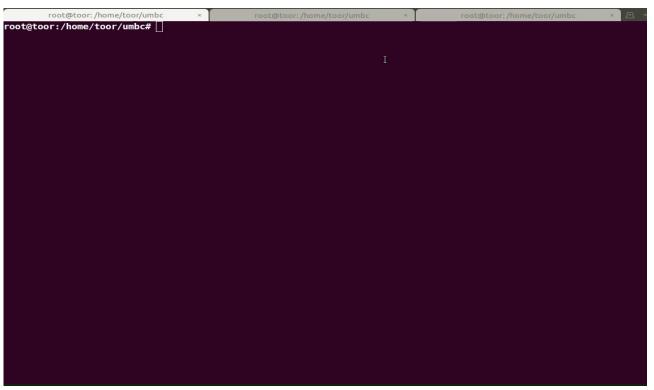
- Hack your way into the targeted WIFI network.
- Find the FOSCAM IP Camera on the network.
- Steal the prize.
- Hide your tracks.

Your Kit:

- Linux Machine: Laptop or Rasberry Pi running Kali/Ubuntu with aircrack-ng.
- Wireless Network Adapter: Alfa AWUS036NHA Wireless B/G/N USB Adaptor.
- FOSCAM C1 Camera: marketed for use in remote security monitoring for homes.

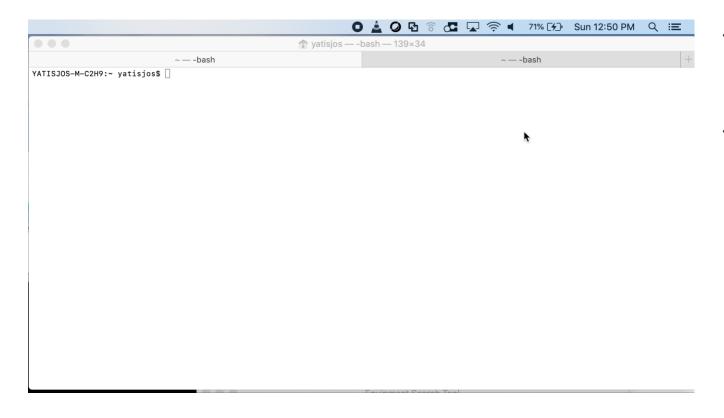


Hack the WIFI



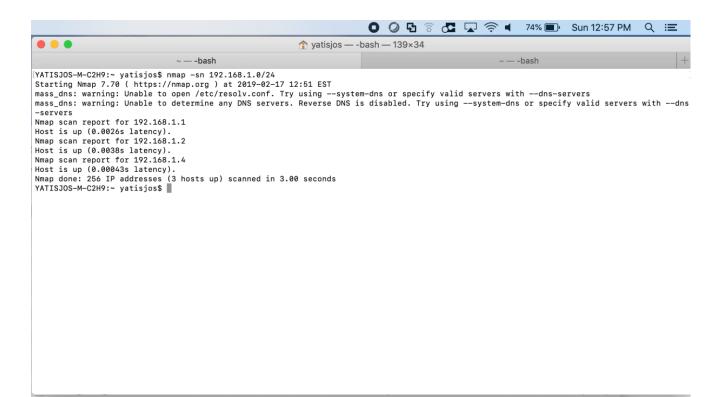
- Put the WIFI adapter in monitor mode.
- Capture all the traffic that the wireless adapter can see with airodump-ng.
- Identify the AP to attack and focus on it and one channel.
- On another terminal send a deauth command to clients so they have to reauthenticate and we can capture the handshake and get the encrypted password.
- Generated password dictionary using crack. Focused on personal information about the target.
- Use aircrack-ng to discover the password

Join the Network



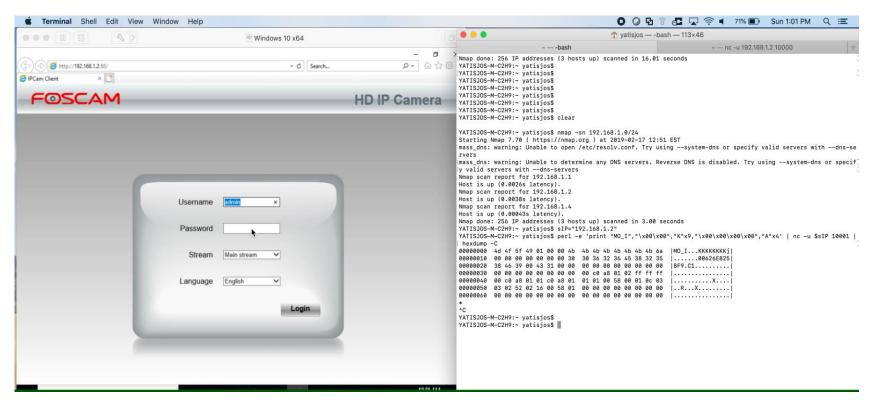
- Connect to the network with the decrypted password.
- Discover all the hosts on the network.

Discover the Camera



- From all the hosts on the network, which one is the FOSCAM?
- Use the Equipment Search Tool to identify the IP.
- Run the Perl Command across all hosts which returns the MAC address of the FOSCAM.
- Specially crafted request on port 10001, retrieves the MAC address and camera name. No Authentication required.

Pull of the heist

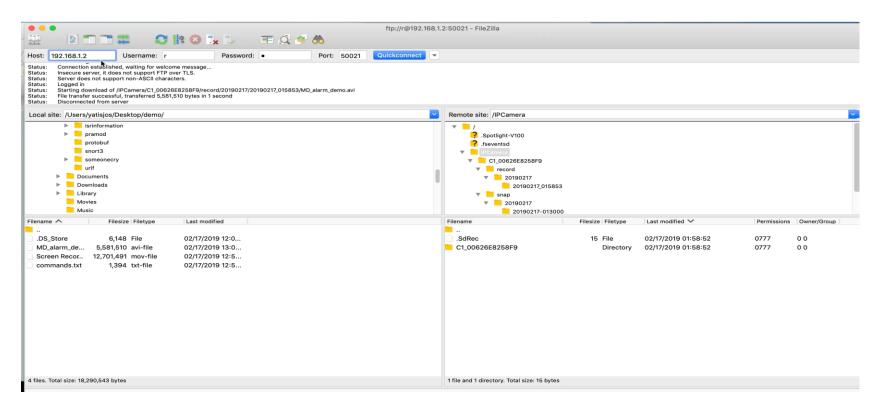


Unauthenticated request on port 10000 can cause a buffer overflow. We can exploit it to reboot the device.

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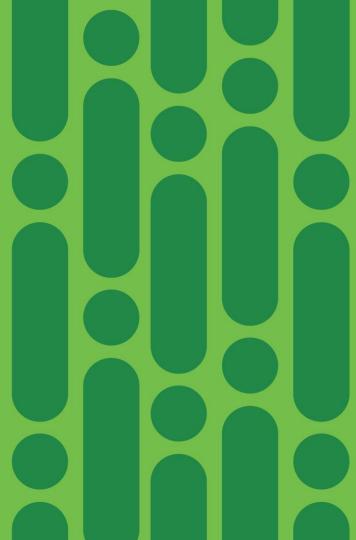


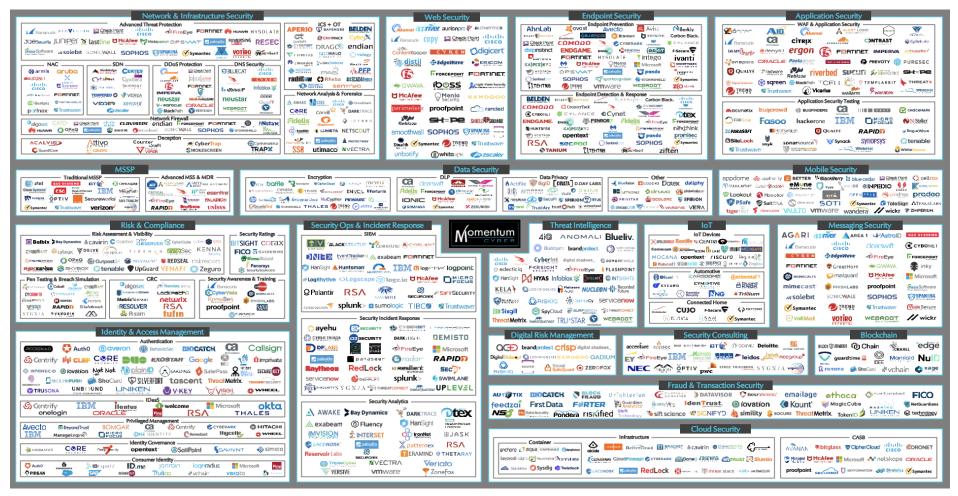
Covering your tracks





What can you do?







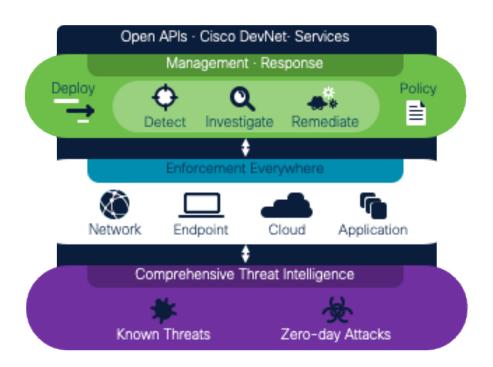
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- Security Architecture that Integrates across Best of Breed Products
- Simple & Open
 - Support Industry Standards
 - Interoperates With other products.
- Automatable
 - Well-Defined APIs
- Effective
 - Protect Across Network, Endpoint, Cloud & Applications
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- Developer Resources @Cisco DevNet https://developer.cisco.com
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 - DevNet Sandboxes (available on demand)



Cisco Security - Integrated Architecture









Talos - Comprehensive Threat Intelligence

- Powers Cisco Security products with best in breed threat intelligence.
- Responsible for discovering new vulnerabilities and emerging threats.
- Maintains the official rule sets for Snort, ClamAV, Senderbase & Spam Cop.

Notable IOT Spotlights:

- Foscam Vulnerabilities https://blog.talosintelligence.com/2017/11/foscam-multiple-vulns.html
- Disney Circle https://blog.talosintelligence.com/2017/10/vulnerability-spotlight-circle.html
- Nest Cam IQ indoor camera https://blog.talosintelligence.com/2019/08/vuln-spotlight-nest-camera-openweave-aug-2019.html

and many more....

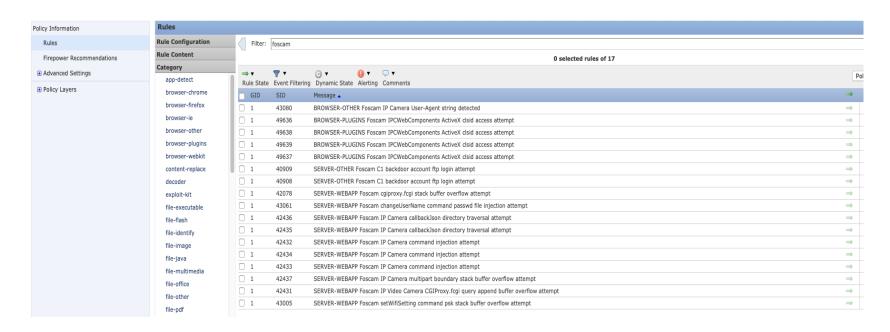


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- Secure internet gateway that provides
 - DNS & IP layer enforcement
 - Intelligent Proxy Deeper URL and File Inspection
 - Command & Control Callback blocking
- Powered by the best threat intelligence
 - Statistical Modeling: Identify patterns, anomalies, predict maliciousness
 - Investigate APIs: Relationships between IP, URL, Domains. Enrich incident data.
 - Cisco ecosystem: Intelligence from Cisco Talos, Threat Grid, Amp.
 - Daily analysis of millions of malware samples
- For personal use: Open DNS Home
 - https://www.opendns.com/home-internet-security/



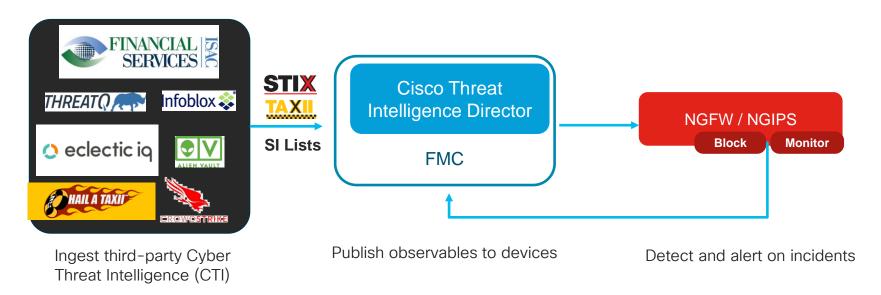
Network Security - Firepower NGFWs



Threat Intelligence from Talos available on all managed NGFWs (FMC/FDM)



Network Security - Firepower (FMC)



- Ability to ingest 3rd party threat intelligence
- Support industry standards
- API Driven and easy to automate workflows



CTR -Cisco Threat Response

- Commitment to our integrated security architecture.
- Out of box integrations with Cisco Security products.
- Accelerates detection, investigation and remediation.
- Free!



Setting the Standards

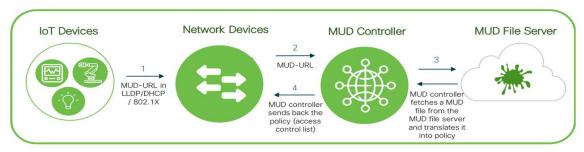
Manufacturer Usage Descriptions (MUD) - RFC8520

Manufacturers

- Improve customer satisfaction and adoption due to reduced operational costs and security risks
- Enhance device security through standard-based onboarding procedure
- Reduce product support costs to customers by following an easy-to-implement process

Customers

- Automate IoT device type identification and policy enforcement process
- Reduce threat surface of IoT devices by regulating traffic and thus avoiding lateral infections
- · Secure enterprise network through a standard-based approach





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