

# iOS Hacking

## Aprendendo a Explorar Maçãs

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# Visão Geral

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# Como debugar o iOS?



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checkm8



axi0mX  
@axi0mX

EPIC JAILBREAK: Introducing checkm8 (read "checkmate"), a permanent unpatchable bootrom exploit for hundreds of millions of iOS devices.

Most generations of iPhones and iPads are vulnerable: from iPhone 4S (A5 chip) to iPhone 8 and iPhone X (A11 chip).

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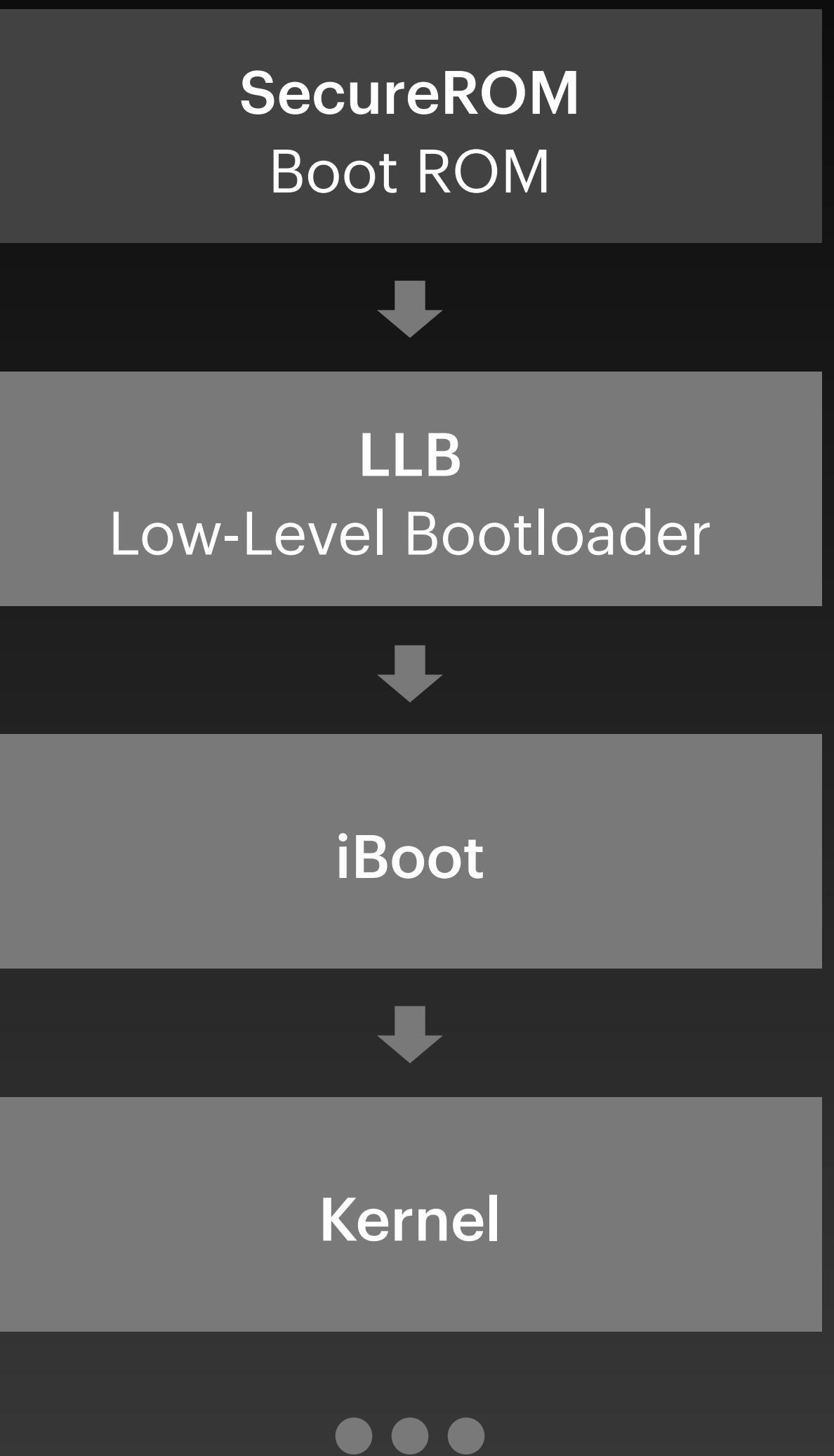
open-source jailbreaking tool for many iOS devices -  
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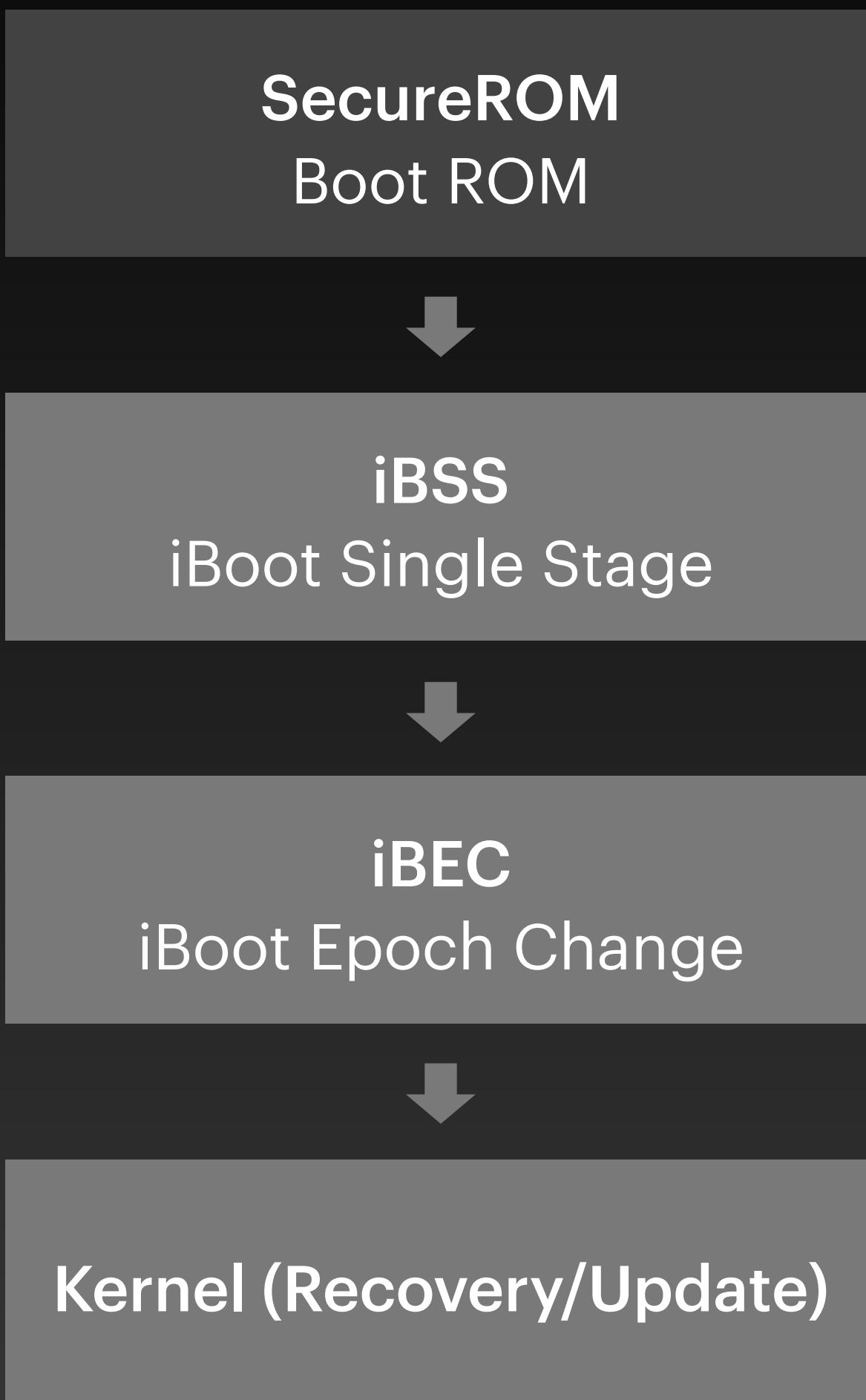
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# Boot do iOS



# DFU



***“Newer devices (and thus, SecureROM versions) still have four separate images, but inspecting them (past decryption) reveal they are all identical. In other words, one single iBoot image now handles all phases.”***

**\*OS Internals Volume II, by Jonathan Levin**

<http://newosxbook.com/bonus/iBoot.pdf>

## checkm8

- permanent unpatchable bootrom exploit for hundreds of millions of iOS devices
- meant for researchers, this is not a jailbreak with Cydia yet
- allows dumping SecureROM, decrypting keybags for iOS firmware, and demoting device for JTAG
- current SoC support: s5l8947x, s5l8950x, s5l8955x, s5l8960x, t8002, t8004, t8010, t8011, t8015
- future SoC support: s5l8940x, s5l8942x, s5l8945x, s5l8747x, t7000, t7001, s7002, s8000, s8001, s8003, t8012
- full jailbreak with Cydia on latest iOS version is possible, but requires additional work

<https://github.com/axi0mX/ipwndfu>

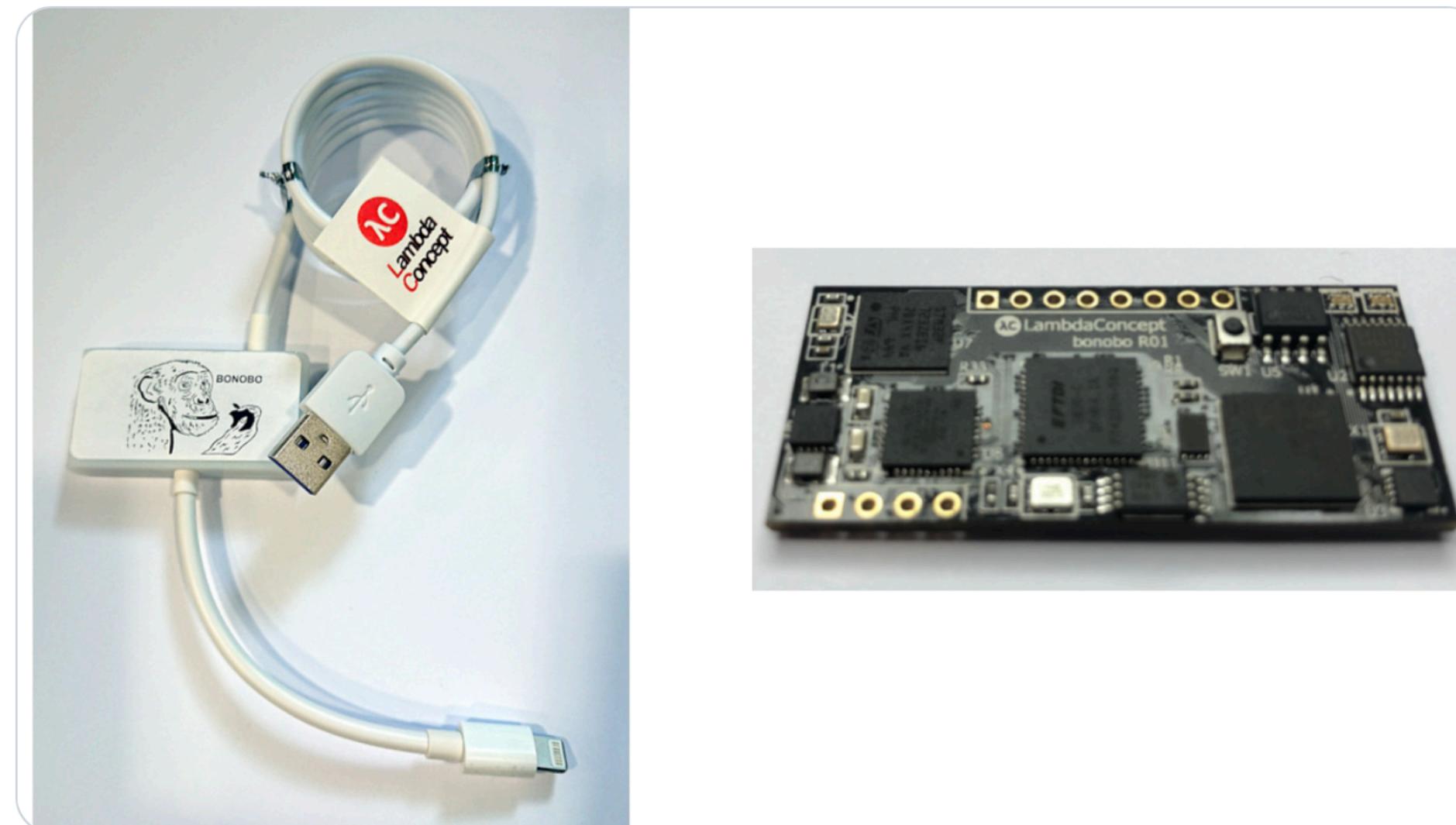
# JTAG/SWD



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And now you can debug your demoted iPhone over  
JTAG/SWD with the Bonobo Cable and OpenOCD !!  
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# BONOBO JTAG/SWD DEBUG CABLE

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## IPHONE DEBUGGING REQUIRES PROPER TOOLS.

The Bonobo cable connects to your target through Lightning and allows CPU debugging through JTAG/SWD using OpenOCD + AArch64 GDB. Among others, you can: access all CPUs and registers, single step, put hardware breakpoints, dump memory, etc... Perfect for security research.

The target serial console can be accessed on the control PC through Minicom (iBoot prompt), as well as Lightning USB (For DFU, USB exploitation, demote, etc.)

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<http://bonoboswd.com>



john  
@nyan\_satan

I was planning to keep this knowledge private, but damn it. This is a thread about Apple SWD cables, some things they can do and how to use them

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GorillaSWD (via @laobaiTD)  
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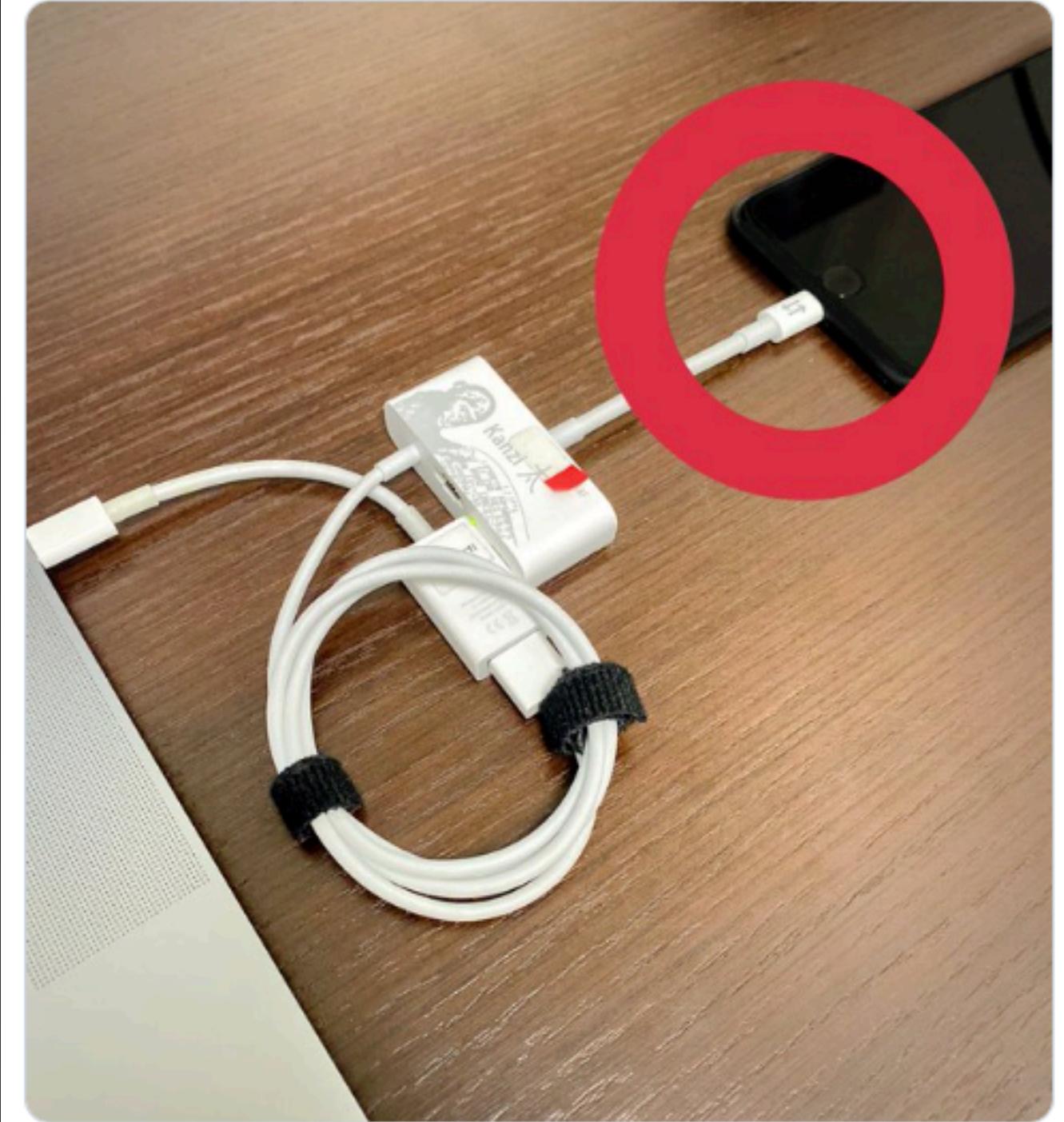
 Giulio Zompetti  
@1nsane\_dev

@axi0mX's #checkm8 is out and let's you debug your device (up to A11).

But how is this done?  
Here is a little thread on dumping the bootrom (SecureROM) on demoted devices with Apple's official tools.

1/ connect the cable using the correct lighting orientation and launch astris

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# Kanzi Cable

The **Kanzi Cable** is a JTAG/SWD Cable capable of debugging CPFM 00 or 01 devices (EVT and DVT devices) which have the Lighting port, using software called [Astris](#). It can be connected to another SWD debugger, using the SWD port, and it can also do UART/Serial. They can be purchased from obscure markets. There are two known types of the Kanzi cable. The normal version and a prototype version with PROTO etched to it.



A Normal Kanzi Cable

## Uses

### Dumping the SecureROM

One use of the cable is dumping the [SecureROM](#) from devices. This can be done using commands such as [this ↗ one](#).

 This hardware article is a "[stub](#)", an incomplete page. Please add more content to this article and remove this tag.

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[https://www.theiphonewiki.com/wiki/Kanzi\\_Cable](https://www.theiphonewiki.com/wiki/Kanzi_Cable)

```
imac-noname:~ noname$ astris
astris v2.6.5 [Astris-827.50.7~274 (Electric tools)]

Probe address: KongSWD-
Probe type: kong
Probe firmware: 0.52
Probe tckrate: 1950000

Listening on port 8000 for CPU0, CPU1
Listening on port 8002 for IOP
Listening on port 8003 for AE2
Listening on port 8004 for ISP
Detected H5P C0
KongSWD- - CPU0:Run CPU1:PowerOff IOP:Reset AE2:Reset ISP:PowerOff

NO CPU > cpu CPU0
KongSWD- - CPU0:Run CPU1:PowerOff IOP:Reset AE2:Reset ISP:PowerOff

CPU0 > halt
CPU0: ASTRIS_ERR_OK
r0: 0x225c059c r1: 0x3f200028 r2: 0x00000001 r3: 0x00000001
r4: 0x00000000 r5: 0xffffffff r6: 0xbff4e570 r7: 0xbff60700
r8: 0xbffffc080 r9: 0x00000000 r10: 0x00000001 r11: 0x00000400
ip: 0x3f200020 sp: 0xbff606f4 lr: 0xbff23ac1 pc: 0xbff01df0
cpsr: 0x60000073 -ZC-----FT Supervisor
0xbff01df0: 0xd1f9 bne 0xbff01de6
KongSWD- - CPU0:Halt CPU1:PowerOff IOP:Reset AE2:Reset ISP:PowerOff

CPU0 >
```

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apple / darwin-xnu

Code Pull requests 16 Security 0 Insights

The Darwin Kernel (mirror) <https://opensource.apple.com/>

12 code results in [apple/darwin-xnu](#) or view [all results on GitHub](#) Sort: Best match ▾

**osfmk/tests/kernel\_tests.c**

```
834     * This emulate how Astris extracts information from coredump
835     */
836 #if defined(__arm64__)
837
838 static inline uintptr_t
839 astris_vm_page_unpack_ptr(uintptr_t p)
840 {
841     if (!p)
842         return ((uintptr_t)0);
843
844     return (p & lowGlo.lgPmapMemFromArrayMask)
```

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**pexpert/pexpert/arm/consistent\_debug.h**

```
67 #define kDbgIdConsoleHeaderOscar           DbgIdConsoleHeaderForIOP(DBG_COPROCESSOR_OSCAR,
68
69 #define kDbgIdAstrisConnection
70 DEBUG_RECORD_ID_LONG('A','S','T','R','C','N','X','N')
71 #define kDbgIdAstrisConnectionVers
72 DEBUG_RECORD_ID_LONG('A','S','T','R','C','V','E','R')
```

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**osfmk/arm/lowmem\_vectors.c**

```
45     .lgVerCode = { '0','c','t','o','p','u','s',' ' },
46     // Increment the major version for changes that break the current Astris
```

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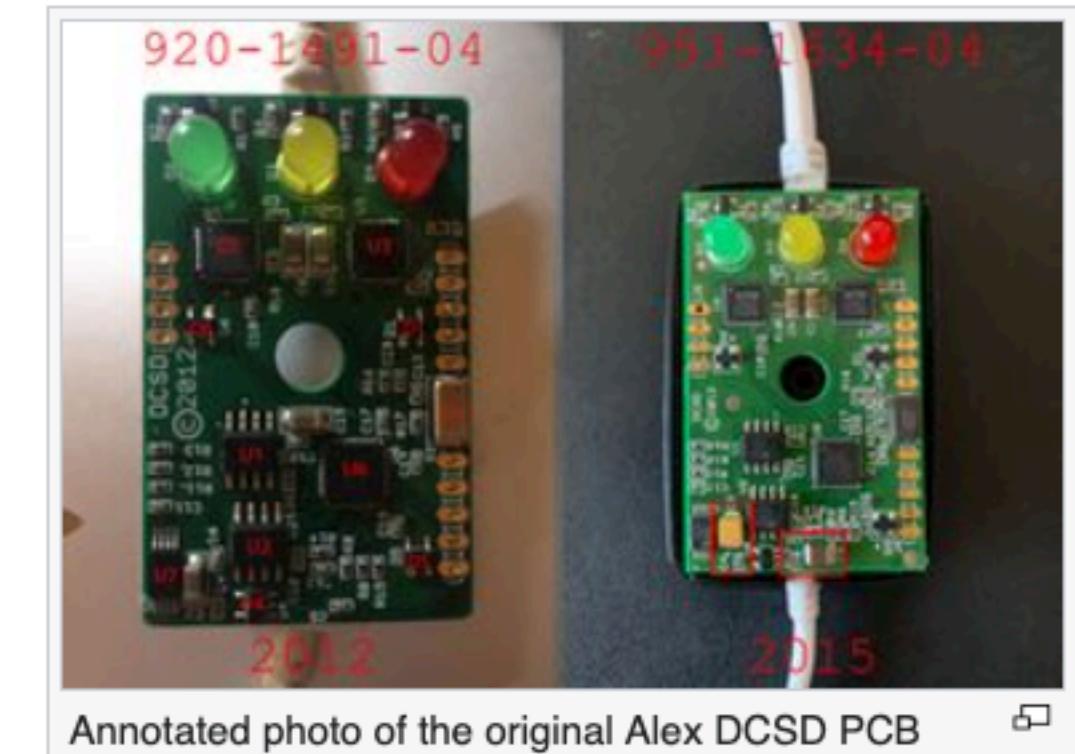
**DCSD**

# DCSD Cable

The **DCSD Alex cable** is used in factories to communicate over serial to run tests and write to the SysCfg (for serial definitions, etc) during production. These cables are produced by ShenZhen Alex Connector Co., Ltd. in China. They can be purchased from obscure markets. There are two known types of DCSD cable. An older one, with lights and only one USB female USB connector, and a newer model, which lacks lights, and has two female USB connectors.

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Annotated photo of the original Alex DCSD PCB

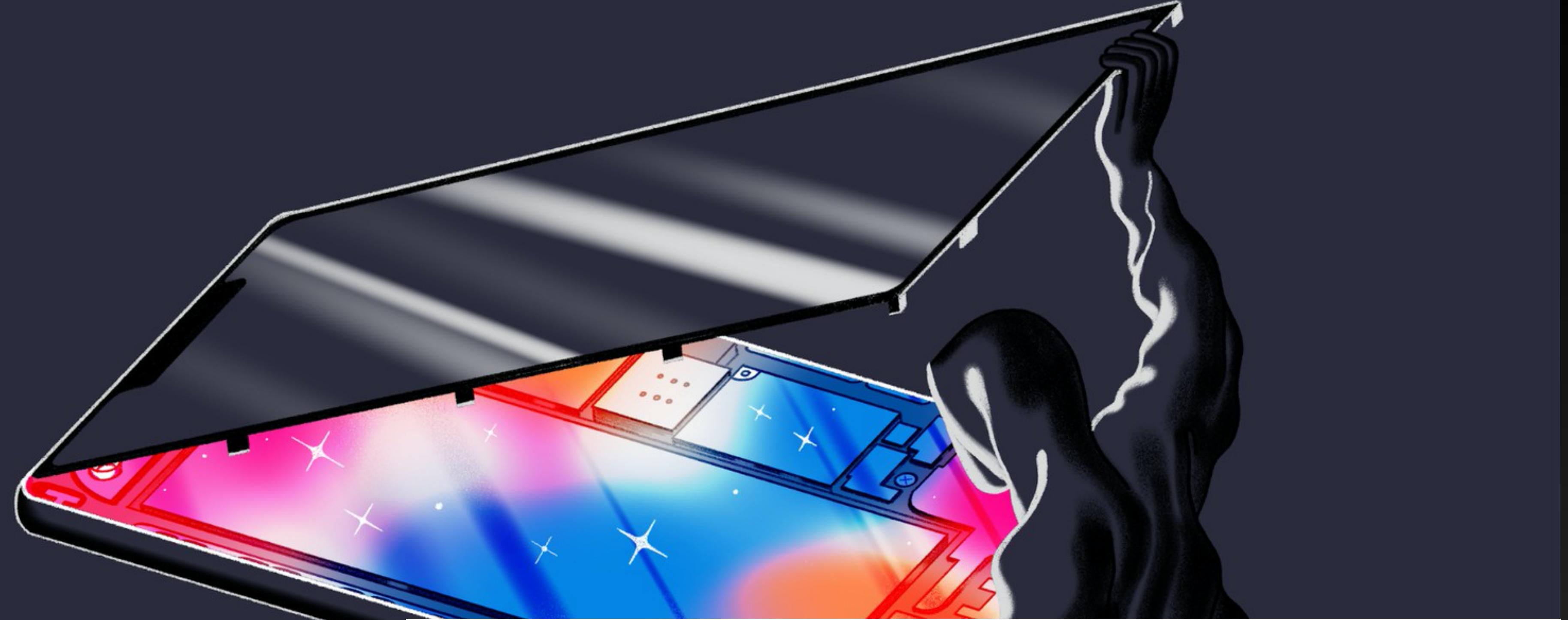


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# CPFM

## Chip Fuse Mode

Insecure/Secure	Development/ Production	CPFM
0	0	0
1	0	1
1	1	3



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## The Prototype iPhones That Hackers Use to Research Apple's Most Sensitive Code

Very few people have heard of them, but "dev-fused" iPhones sold on the grey market are one of the most important tools for the best iOS hackers in the world.

By [Lorenzo Franceschi-Bicchieri](#)

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## Behind the Scenes with iOS Security

Black Hat 2016

Ivan Krstić  
Head of Security Engineering and Architecture, Apple

### SoC Security Mode Demotion

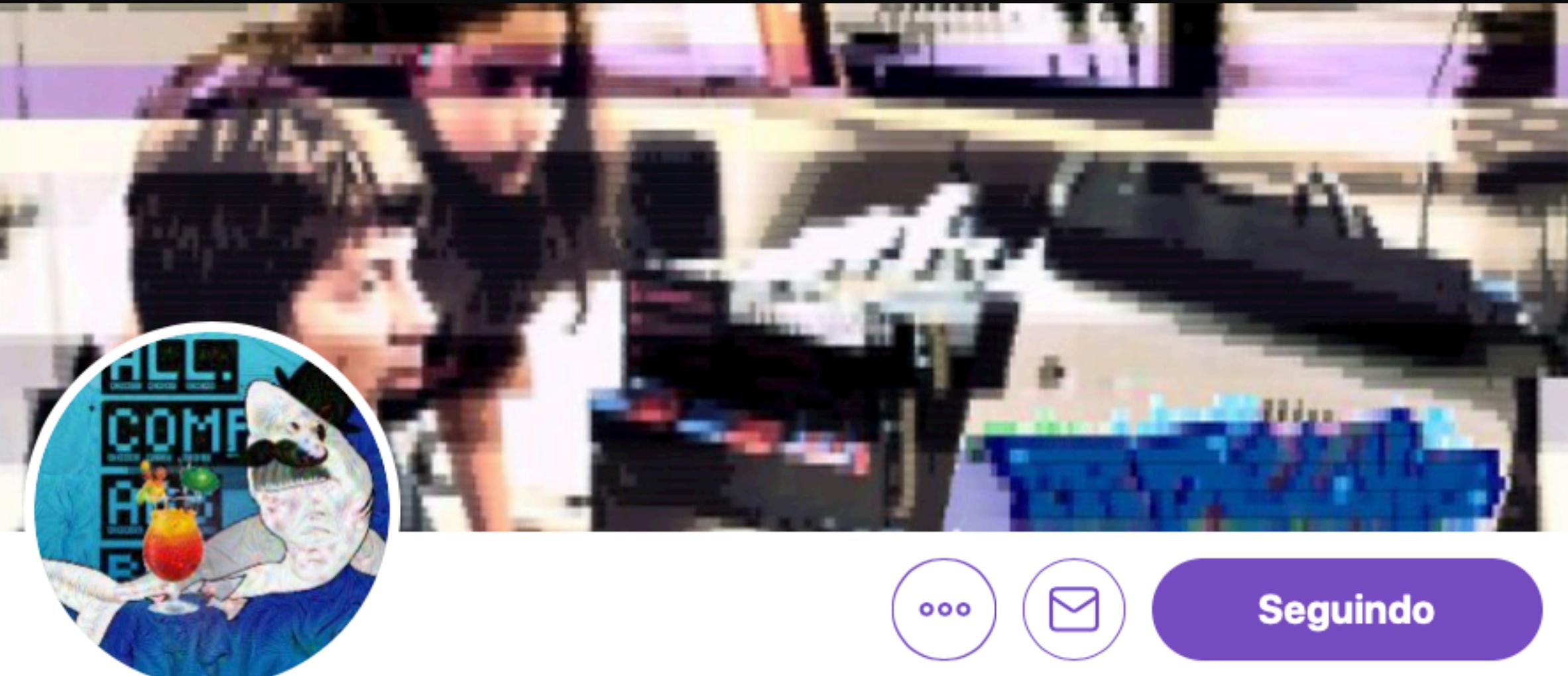
Production devices can be “demoted” to enable some debugging features like JTAG and loading development software on the AP (but not the SEP)

Requires full OS erase and device explicitly authorized by the personalization server

Forces a different UID on the SEP, no access to existing user data after demotion

SoC mode	AP status	SEP status	SEP UID
Development fused	Development	Development	Development
Production fused	Production	Production	Production
AP demoted	Development	Production	Development

<https://www.blackhat.com/docs/us-16/materials/us-16-Krstic.pdf>



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***“Most of the time, to hack targets using apple it's a simple case of how much money do you have. It can run into \$100k for a good vuln dev environment. People have gone broke just trying (hi). Community collaboration kept jailbreaking alive as a hobbyist community open since iOS11”***

Hacker Fantastic, 18 de agosto de 2019

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**Apple Developer Program** US\$ 99/ano

**Hardware Apple** entre US\$ 2.000 e US\$ 10.000

**Equipamentos eletrônicos** US\$ 10.000

**Cabos e material para cabos** US\$ 5.000

**iPhone de desenvolvimento/protótipo** US\$ ??

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**Corellium**



POR LUIZ GUSTAVO RIBEIRO

# Apple processa empresa por replicar ilegalmente o iOS

Plataforma oferece suporte ao iOS, mas sem os devidos direitos autorais

16/08/2019 • 12:27

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No processo, aberto ontem (15/8) no Tribunal do Sul da Flórida, a Apple acusa a Corellium de violar seus direitos autorais por ter replicado ilegalmente o seu sistema operacional móveis e alguns apps da Maçã que rodam no iPhone e no iPad.

Vale notar que “copiar” o sistema móvel da Maçã é justamente o objetivo da Corellium, uma vez que tais plataformas de virtualização pretendem oferecer o visual e os recursos de determinado sistema, em outro. No entanto, o problema aqui é que a desenvolvedora fez isso sem a devida autorização da Apple.



A Corellium simplesmente copiou tudo: o código, a interface gráfica do usuário, os ícones — tudo isso, com detalhes precisos.

Durante a conferência de segurança Black Hat, que aconteceu em Las Vegas na última semana, a Corellium enfatizou que o seu “produto Apple” é uma cópia exata do iOS, capaz até mesmo de contribuir para que pesquisadores e hackers encontram e testes vulnerabilidades como se fosse o sistema original da Maçã.

<https://macmagazine.uol.com.br/post/2019/08/16/apple-processa-empresa-por-rePLICAR-ilegalmente-o-ios/>

# Apple and DOJ fight over photos that have 'national security concerns'

Ben Lovejoy - May. 5th 2020 5:03 am PT  @benlovejoy

Apple's lawsuit against virtualization company **Corellium** has taken a surprising turn, as the Department of Justice claims that photos Apple wants to introduce into evidence may have 'national security concerns.'

The DOJ wants Apple to hand over the photos before introducing them into evidence so that it can examine them before deciding whether the government has an interest in the case ...

<https://9to5mac.com/2020/05/05/national-security-concerns/>

Corellium

CORELLIUM Find Device DEVICES HELP Billy Ellis

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```
remove_purgatory_entry:6105: error 2 removing purgatory entry 3/0x11df1-dead for ino 73201
cleanup_purgatory_dir:15498: *** Cleaning purgatory removed 1 entries but found 1 BAD entries
ERROR: sendCommandToSEP: AssertMacros: err == 0 (value = 0x8), file: /BuildRoot/Library/Caches/com.apple.xbs/Sources/Pearl_Kernel/Pearl-180.0.0.12.1/ApplePearlSEPDriver/ApplePearlSEPDriver.cpp, line: 10026

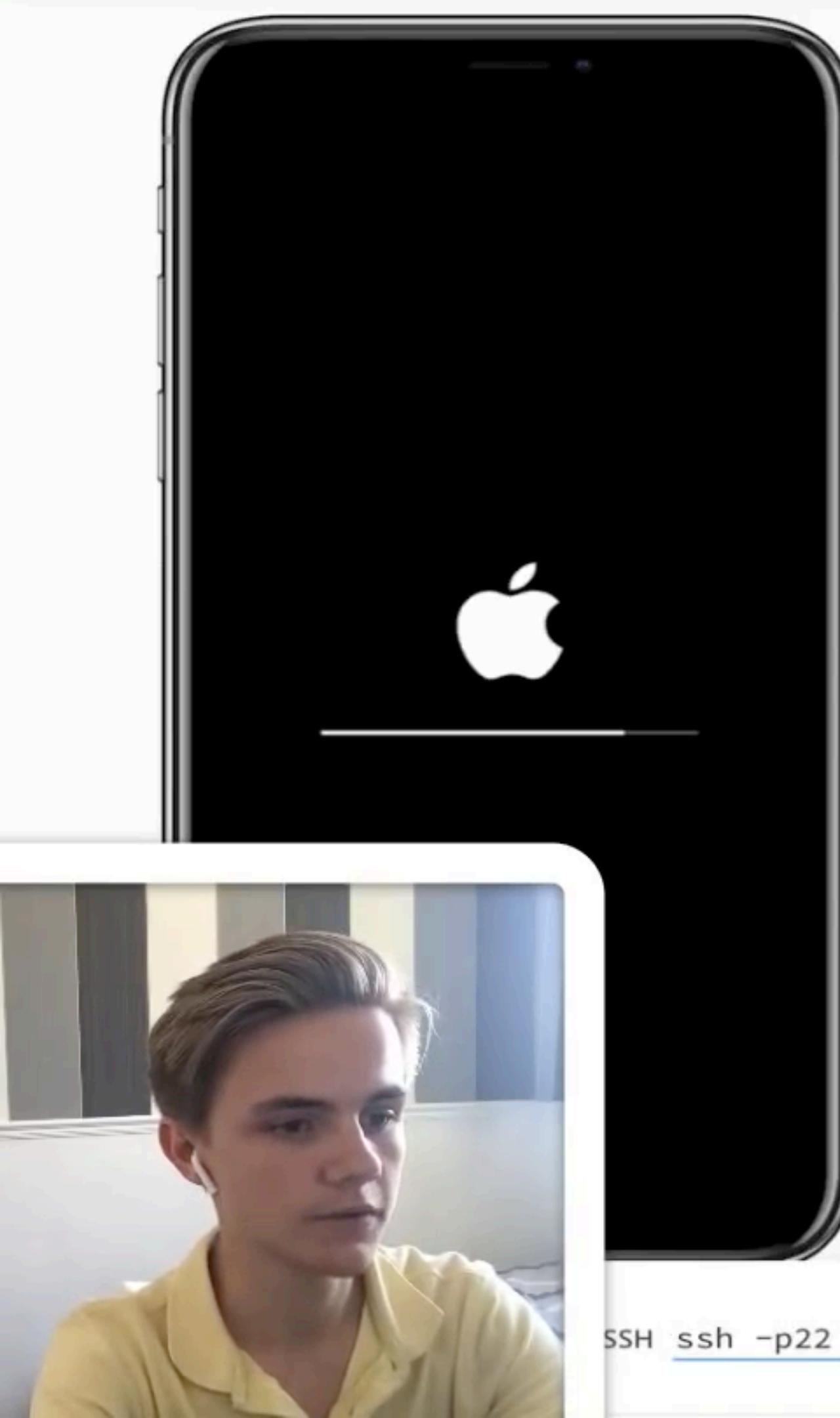
ERROR: sepTransactWorker: AssertMacros: err == 0 (value = 0x8), file: /BuildRoot/Library/Caches/com.apple.xbs/Sources/Pearl_Kernel/Pearl-180.0.0.12.1/ApplePearlSEPDriver/ApplePearlSEPDriver.cpp, line: 10211

ERROR: sepTransact: AssertMacros: err == 0 (value = 0x8), file: /BuildRoot/Library/Caches/com.apple.xbs/Sources/Pearl_Kernel/Pearl-180.0.0.12.1/ApplePearlSEPDriver/ApplePearlSEPDriver.cpp, line: 10315

ERROR: sepTransactToIOMD: AssertMacros: err == 0 (value = 0x8), file: /BuildRoot/Library/Caches/com.apple.xbs/Sources/Pearl_Kernel/Pearl-180.0.0.12.1/ApplePearlSEPDriver/ApplePearlSEPDriver.cpp, line: 10356

ERROR: performCommandGated: AssertMacros: err == 0 (value = 0x8), file: /BuildRoot/Library/Caches/com.apple.xbs/Sources/Pearl_Kernel/Pearl-180.0.0.12.1/ApplePearlSEPDriver/ApplePearlSEPDriver.cpp, line: 971

ERROR: ApplePearlUserClient::extPerform: AssertMacros: err == 0 (value = 0x8), file: /BuildRoot/Library/Caches/com.apple.xbs/Sources/Pearl_Kernel/Pearl-180.0.0.12.1/ApplePearlSEPDriver/ApplePearlUserClient.cpp, line: 219
```



SSH ssh -p22 root@10.11.1.1

iPhone Virtualisation Demo/Preview Using Corellium | Platform Demo from Chris Wade by Billy Ellis <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6rmTfmdUIVY>

# Há espaço para pesquisa em Apple no Brasil?



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