

AWS ALPN RolePlay

⚠ The following roleplay is suited for AWS pub-sub with MQTTS (≠ MQTT over websockets) ⚠

The Role Play doesn't use all the features of [ioxy](#) like intercepting message in live and modifying them, but feel free to try them.

Case

Today, I was scanning the home network and found a strange device (evil-device). I also found that the ssh port is open and I can get a shell by entering some generic credentials.

Analysis

I looked in every folder and the only interesting thing I found is this :

```
strangedev/
├── certs
│   ├── AmazonRootCA1.pem
│   ├── aws_evil.crt
│   └── aws_evil.key
├── evilPubSub.sh
└── pubsub.py
```

pubsub[.]py

Simple pub-sub client from AWS You can have a sneak peek over [here](#)

evilPubSub[.]sh

Code

```
python3 pubsub.py \
  --endpoint evil-ats.iot.eu-west-3.amazonaws.com \
  --root-ca certs/AmazonRootCA1.pem \
  --cert certs/aws_evil.crt \
  --key certs/aws_evil.key \
  --count "$1" # Number of payload to send
```

Behaviour

```
./evilPubSub 1
Connecting to evil-ats.iot.eu-west-3.amazonaws.com with client ID 'evil-
client-id'...
```

```
Connected!
Subscribing to topic 'evil/rock'...
Subscribed with QoS.AT_LEAST_ONCE
Sending 1 message(s)
1 message(s) received.
Disconnecting...
Disconnected!
```

We notice that he is trying to send / receive messages on evil/rock topic

Walkthrough

After some analysis, we know that the evilPubSub send MQTT messages on amazon. It would be very interesting to catch the messages.

Happily, a friend of mine developed an awesome tool called [ioxy](#) to intercept MQTT messages stealthily.

Stealing the AWS client's certificate & key

```
# Start a http server on port 1111
root@evil-device:/home/strangedev/certs
→ python3 -m http.server 1111

# Download certs on the proxy machine
hutchyy@hutchyy-VM:~/aws_evil_analysis
→ wget -r [evil-device_ip:1111]

hutchyy@hutchyy-VM:~/aws_evil_analysis
→ tree [evil-device_ip:1111]

[evil-device_ip:1111]
|-- AmazonRootCA1.pem
|-- aws_evil.crt
`-- aws_evil.key
```

Setting up the proxy

```
git clone https://github.com/NVIS0-BE/internet-of-
things/tree/Embedded_verification_tool/ioxy
cd ~
cd ioxy/ioxy && go build .
```

Configuring the strange device

```
# Here is the tree
# <- is used by
```

```
hutchyy@hutchyy-VM:~/ioxy/ioxy/
→ tree certs/

certs
|-- ca
|   |-- rootCA.key
|   `-- rootCA.pem  <- evil-device && ioxy
|-- devices
|   `-- d1
|       |-- d1.csr
|       |-- d1.key   <- evil-device
|       `-- d1.pem   <- evil-device
|-- README.md
`-- verificationCert
    |-- verificationCert.csr
    |-- verificationCert.key  <- ioxy
    `-- verificationCert.pem  <- ioxy
```

```
# Start a http server on port 1111
hutchyy@hutchyy-VM:~/ioxy/ioxy/certs/
→ python3 -m http.server 1111

# Download client certs on the proxy machine
root@evil-device:/home/strangedev/certs
→ wget -r [hutchyy_ip:1111]/devices/d1

# Download the CA cert
root@evil-device:/home/strangedev/certs
→ wget [hutchyy_ip:1111]/ca/rootCA.pem
```

MiTM TIME !

On evil-device

```
# Modifying hosts file to resolve wanted name
echo "[hutchyy_ip]    ioxy.mqtt" >> /etc/hosts

# Ioxy certs tree
root@evil-device:/home/strangedev/
→ tree [hutchyy_ip:1111]/

[hutchyy_ip:1111]/
├── ca
│   └── rootCA.pem <- evil-client
└── devices
    └── d1
        ├── d1.csr
        └── d1.key  <- evil-client
```

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└─ d1.pem <- evil-client

# Modifying evilPubSub.sh to connect on our MQTT proxy (ioxy)
python3 pubsub.py \
  --endpoint ioxy.mqtt \
  --root-ca [hutchyy_ip:1111]/ca/rootCA.pem \
  --cert [hutchyy_ip:1111]/devices/d1/d1.pem \
  --key [hutchyy_ip:1111]/devices/d1/d1.key \
  --count "$1" # Number of payload to send

```

On hutchyy's vm

```

# Set env var to make ioxy command cleaner
AWSCRT = ~/aws_evil_analysis/[evil-device_ip:1111]/aws_evil.crt      && \
AWSKEY = ~/aws_evil_analysis/[evil-device_ip:1111]/aws_evil.key      && \
IOXYCA = ~/ioxy/ioxy/certs/verificationCert/verificationCert.pem    && \
IOXYCRT = ~/ioxy/ioxy/certs/verificationCert/verificationCert.pem    && \
IOXYKEY = ~/ioxy/ioxy/certs/verificationCert/verificationCert.key    && \
AWSEND = evil.iot.eu-west-3.amazonaws.com

# Start ioxy
hutchyy@hutchyy-VM:~/ioxy/ioxy/
→ sudo ./ioxy \
  mqttts \
  -mqttts-port 443 \
  -mqttts-cert $IOXYCRT \
  -mqttts-key $IOXYKEY \
  -mqttts-ca $IOXYCA \
  broker \
  -mqtt-broker-tls \
  -mqtt-broker-host $AWSEND \
  -mqtt-broker-port 443 \
  -mqtt-broker-cert $AWSCRT \
  -mqtt-broker-key $AWSKEY \
  -x-amzn-mqtt-ca

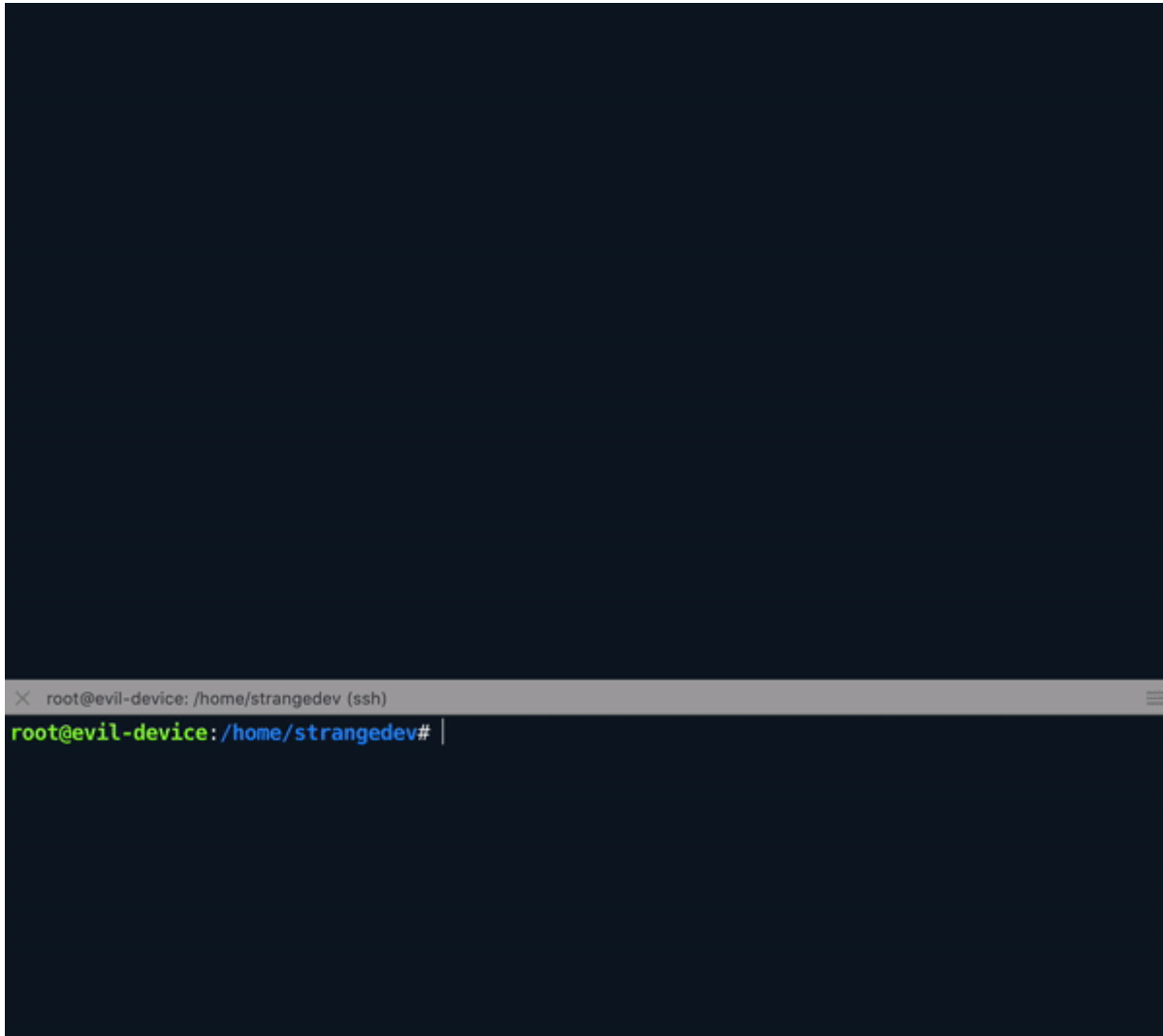
[2020-03-17 12:19:14.283053739] INFO Intercept : disabled
[2020-03-17 12:19:14.286094888] INFO Starting mqtt-proxy @
[2020-03-17 12:19:14.286201998] INFO Mode : mqttts
[2020-03-17 12:19:14.286232206] INFO Broker : evil.iot.eu-west-3.amazonaws.com 443
[2020-03-17 12:19:14.286247846] INFO auth : no auth url configured :
bypassing!
[2020-03-17 12:19:14.327314872] INFO mqttts: listening on
mqttts://0.0.0.0:443

```

On evil-device

```
# Starting evilPubSub.sh
./evilPubSub.sh 1
```

Results



🎉 Yay !! We found it !

```
INFO client > broker | Subscribe | packet : SessionId : 86a9685a-f0d0-40cb-9a56-dc8c59b89aac
, Topic : evil/rock, Dup : false, QoS : 1, Retain : false
INFO client > broker | Publish | packet : SessionId : 86a9685a-f0d0-40cb-9a56-dc8c59b89aac,
Topic : evil/rock , Payload : rock are big stones but nothing more [1], Dup : false, QoS : 1,
Retain : false
```

1. The evil-device subscribed on evil/rock
2. The evil-device sent rock are big stones but nothing more to the broker on the evil/rock topic
3. The evil-device received is own message because he sent in a subscribed topic
4. The client disconnect

Case resolving

Now everything is clear !

This isn't an evil-device it's just my orangePi.

I just remember that a few months ago, I planned to climb the Mont Blanc and I wanted to have my orangePi (evil-device) with me. But why would you ask ! To communicate on AWS so my family could follow me in my journey. This was before I noticed that there is not WiFi Access Point on the Mont Blanc *sad*.

Now that we resolve the case, should I go to the Mont Blanc and add some WiFi AP or should I just stop my project ? *thinking*