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Proprietary network protocols – risky business on the wire



Who are we



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Agenda

Case studies – proprietary protocols

- Home automation
- Pull printing #1
- Remote desktop
- Pull printing #2
- Trading

Cheatsheet for architects & developers

How to hack it



Proprietary network protocols

- A pentester will encounter one
- Don't have the protocol specs nor tools to attack it
- How to hack it?
 - decompile the client?
 - search for some tools?
 - watch the raw packets?
- Let's try!



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Home automation remote control

- "Plug the device, configure your router for port forwarding (and dynamic dns if necessary), set password."
- Proprietary TCP protocol, direct connection from Internet to device, password protected access





Protocol – a few packets

ab 55 41 00 15 39 64 64 34 65 34 36 31 32 36 .UA..9dd 4e46126



02 01 00 00 a9 39 64 64 34 65 34 36 31 32 369dd 4e46126

aa 55 41 00 14 39 64 64 34 65 34 36 31 32 36 .UA..9dd 4e46126



0f 0f e7

aa 53 41 02 01 01 f0 f1 f1 f1 f1 00 be f1 f1 00 f1 f1 f1 00 64 00 00 00 01 00 f0 f0 0a f1 00 02d...

ab 55 41 00 15 39 64 64 34 65 34 36 31 32 36 .UA..9dd 4e46126

0c 02 00 00 a4 39 64 64 34 65 34 36 31 32 369dd 4e46126

.UA..9dd 4e46126 aa 55 41 00 14 39 64 64 34 65 34 36 31 32 36





And what if we change the password?

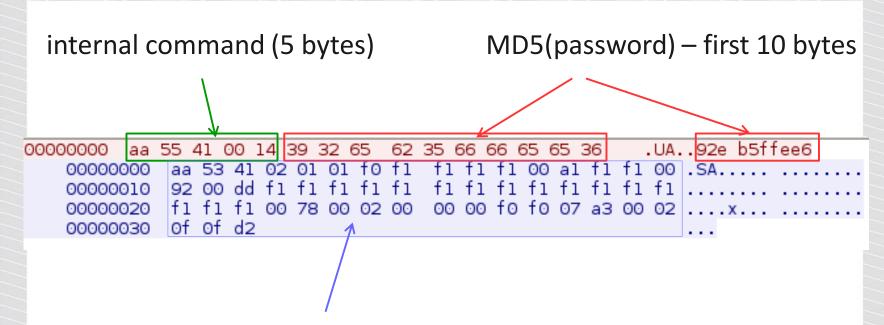
Password 1:

Password 2:

Password 3:



Home automation protocol



status returned by the appliance (sensors, settings, etc)



Home automation - failures

- Sniffing
- MITM
- Connect directly to the appliance sniffed hash is enough

Recommendation: SSL!



Home automation - SSL

```
Vendor: OK, we have added SSL support!
sslcontext=SSLContext.getInstance("TLS");
trustmgr=new TrustManager[1];
trustmgr[0]=new EasyX509TrustManager(null);
sslcontext.init(null, trustmgr, null);
```

Empty TrustManager – accepts all certificates



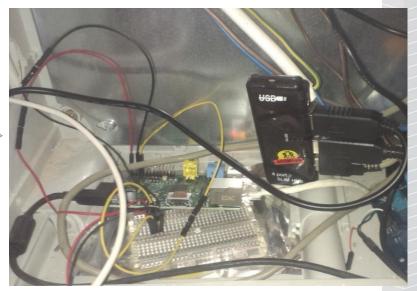
Side effect

HANG FOR THE YOUNG WENS TO A ! WITH: SSL support:

socat openssl-listen;1234,key=s.key,socat tcp4-listen;1234,fork,readbytes=5 cert=s.crt,verify=0;fork,readbytes=5

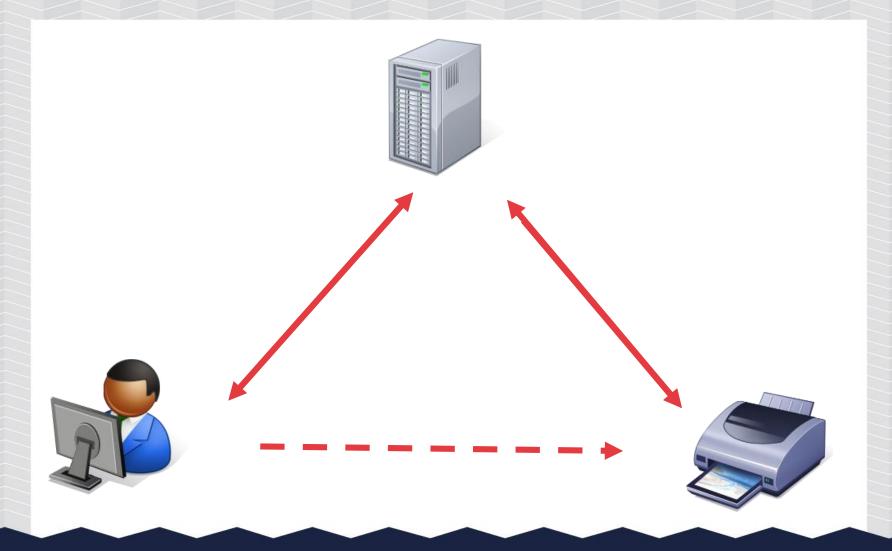
/dew//ttty/UBBB/Jymimiff151







Pull Printing Solutions





Why hack pull printing?

- Widely used
- Confidential data
- Getting popular



Threat modelling – key risks

sniffing

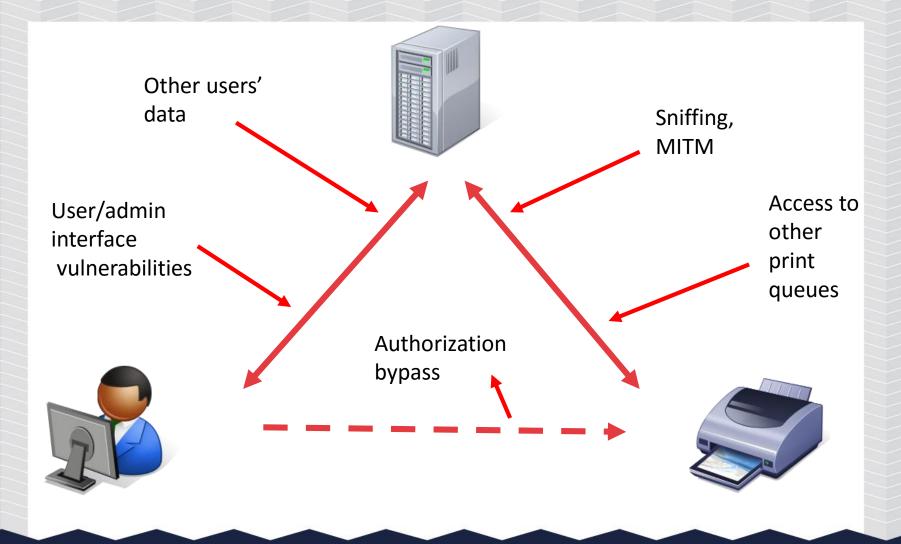
print queues

accountability

users' data



Attack vectors





Pull Printing #1 – access control

"Secure print release (...) can integrate card-swipe user authentication at devices (...) ensuring jobs are only printed when the collecting user is present."

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Pull Printing #1 – binary protocol

HELLO USER: user1 token Ε HASH(password + token) R Password ok Release my print queue Just copied 100 pages OK

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Pull Printing #1 – closer look

Release print queutefeases en y gwirst que ue Charge user "guest-xyz" for Jccspyciongi 4.00 1.00 a greeges 65 64 54 53 00 S. restr ictedIS. 70 79 54 53 00 canColo rCopy S. 6c 69 65 72 44 .costmut tiptierD 63 61 6e 43 68 ?..... S..canCh 72 6f 6d 4c 69 argeShar edFromLi User permissions 72 69 6e 74 4a stFS..he ldPrintJ 00 53 00 19 68 obCountIS..h 63 63 6f 75 6e asAdvanc edAccoun tOptions Fzz 53 65 54 72 PI.begin DeviceTr 5d 4e 39 42 ansactio nS..mN9B 75 65 73 74 KS..1004 S..<u>quest</u> beginDeviceTransaction -xvzS..z (...) guest-xyz 76 61 69 6c 61 SUCCESSS ..availa ff d7 Oa 3d 70 bleCredi tD?...=p 65 44 3f ff d7 ..S..bal anceD?... 74 75 73 4d 65 .=p..S.. statusMe 74 72 61 6e 73 ssageS.. S..trans 5a 70 44 35 30 actionId S..ZpD50 59 63 65 41 c..m.%ex tDeviceA 43 6f 70 69 PI.calcu lateCopi 00 05 6d 4e erPageCo stsS..mN 09 67 75 65 9BKS..10 04S..gue 34 46 46 7a st-xvzVV S..A4FFz



Pull printing #1 - consequences

sniffing

print queues

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Pull printing #1 - vendor gets notified

- Gave access to KB and support service
- And all versions of software
- Responded in few hours and patched in few days
- Was happy to be pentested



Remote desktop protocol

X-win "on steroids" (encryption, compression, access control...)

Mainframe access for critical business operations

"More than 100,000 users around the world"

"Prevents unauthorized eavesdropping

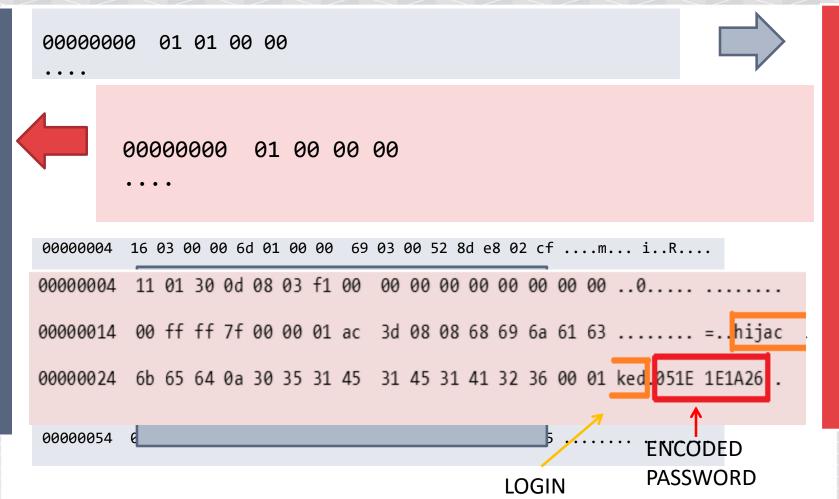
FIPS 140-2 Validated

End-to-end data encryption"



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Remote desktop protocol





Password

TestingPassword1234TestingPassword

54657374696e6750617373776f72643132333454657374696e6750617373776f7264

XOR

1c101e1900000032080117572c1d095c475d5d3704071d060014702d1a1e1e1b1700

=

48756d6d696e676269726420436f6d6d756e69636174696f6e73204c696d69746564

[redacted] Communications Limited

default configuration

CLIENTHELLO!

cipher suites:

SSL_DHE_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA SSL_DHE_DSS_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA SSL_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA (...)





SERVERHELLO!

I don't have any certificate!

cipherSuite: SSL_DH_anon_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA

OK, no problem! You have to be the right server if you say so, don't you?



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Remote Desktop - SSL

certificates configured

CLIENTHELLO!





SERVERHELLO!

I don't have any certificate! cipherSuite: SSL_DH_anon_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA

I have your certificate, but since you don't offer it any more, I won't check it. **OK, let's connect!**



Following connections:

OK, certificate valid / ALERT: MITM ATTACK!

S E R V E



Remote desktop protocol - vendor

"We don't know PGP, use zip with our CEO's name as password"

Do not plan to solve the issues (?)

>/dev/null 2>&1

Full disclosure!

... and a few weeks later the mysterious shut down of our beloved;)



Pull Printing #2 - encryption

"is a modern printing solution that safeguards document confidentiality and unauthorized access to print, scan, copy and e-mail functions. Its user-authentication provides air-tight security on your shared MFPs that function as personal printers."



Vendor ensures

"Documents are delivered **only** into the right hands"

"Information is kept **confidential**. **No risk** of being left unattended at the printer"

"Document collection is **safe anytime and anywhere** — no "print and sprint"."

"Integration with other enterprise applications and workflows **is kept secure** through single sign-on"



Pull Printing #2 – binary protocol

First look on communication:

- TCP, 2 ports
- No cleartext, no SSL
- Seems to follow some scheme...



Ex1: Deeper sight on traffic

```
. . 6. . . . . . . . . . .
            .....:.c..<..~7%../}W...}....Al.......dh{hR9....
.d.. .]..y.{@...l
..6....9/.;.s.
....q...~+..@.9.'.o.]...b..o..
                                             https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ECB_mode
              .f...b...>..}U...4-{.K./o%#..;..l
   .....y...^ql
.6.....r\...ix.....0.n...;4.o....p\..gSd......qg......
```



Pull Printing #2 - Reverse-engineered

- Hardcoded RSA certificate in printer embedded software
- No trust store
- AES-128 ECB used for traffic encryption
- Same protocol in admin interface



Pull Printing #2 - Consequences

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Pull Printing #1 - vendor gets notified

"(...) system has been deployed at many high security customers and has passed internal audits."



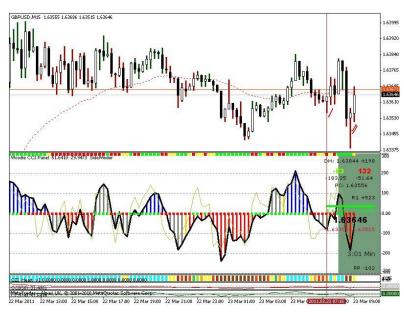
Trading protocol

An online application for instant financial operations

• A proprietary, binary protocol, designed in order

to minimise delays

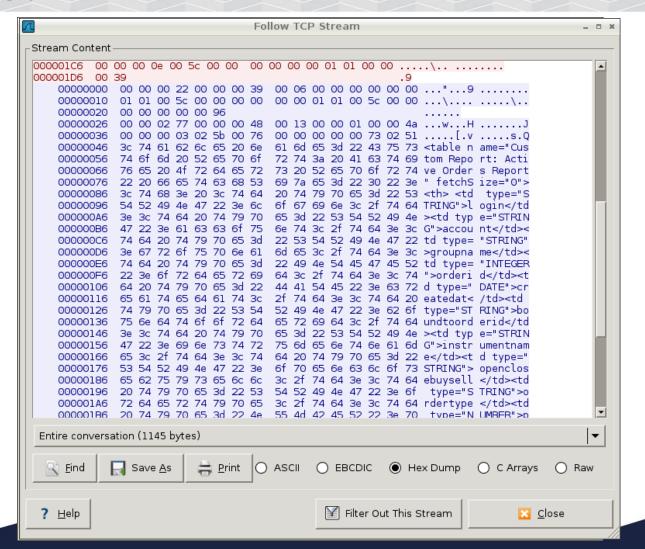
TCP in SSL tunnel



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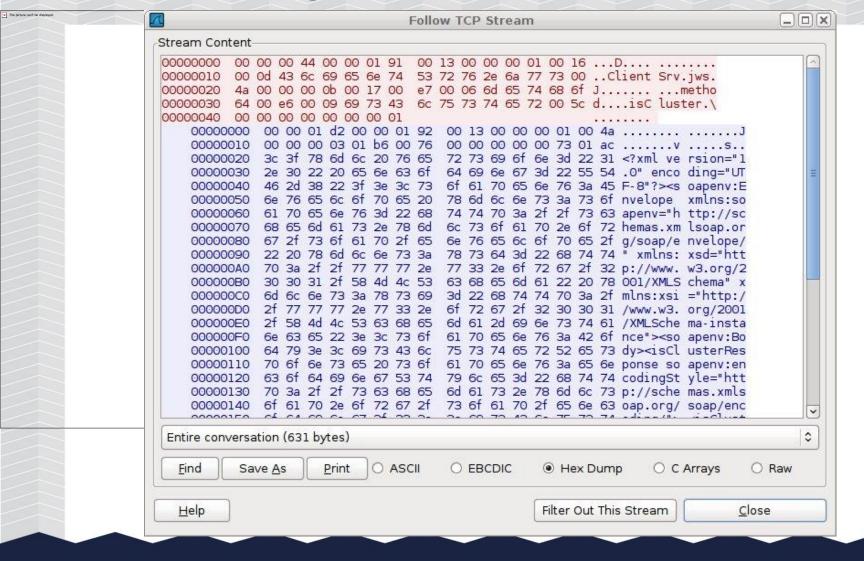


Trading protocol





That's interesting!





That's interesting!

```
Follow TCP Stream
                                                                 _ | | | | X
Stream Content
. . . D. . . . . . . . . . . . . .
ClientSrv.jws.J.....method....isCluster.
  .....J....v...s..<?xml version="1.0"
encoding="UTF-8"?><soapenv:Envelope xmlns:soapenv="http://
schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/" xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/
XMLSchema" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-
instance"><soapenv:Body><isClusterResponse
soapenv:encodingStyle="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/
encoding/"><isClusterReturn xsi:type="xsd:string">false</
isClusterReturn></isClusterResponse></soapenv:Body></
soapenv:Envelope>.\....6.s.$Connection was interrupted by
client...8.\..........8.s..Error....\.....
 Entire conversation (631 bytes)
```

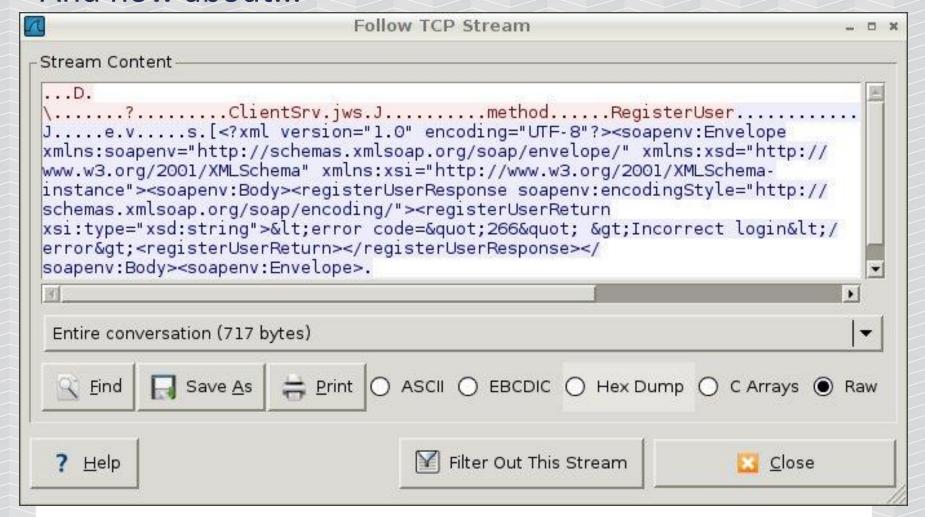


And what if we...





And how about...





RegisterUser

- Incorrect password
- Incorrect first name
- Group with name null doesn't exist
- Group with name admin doesn't exist
- Group with name Administrator doesn't exist
- And how about "root"?

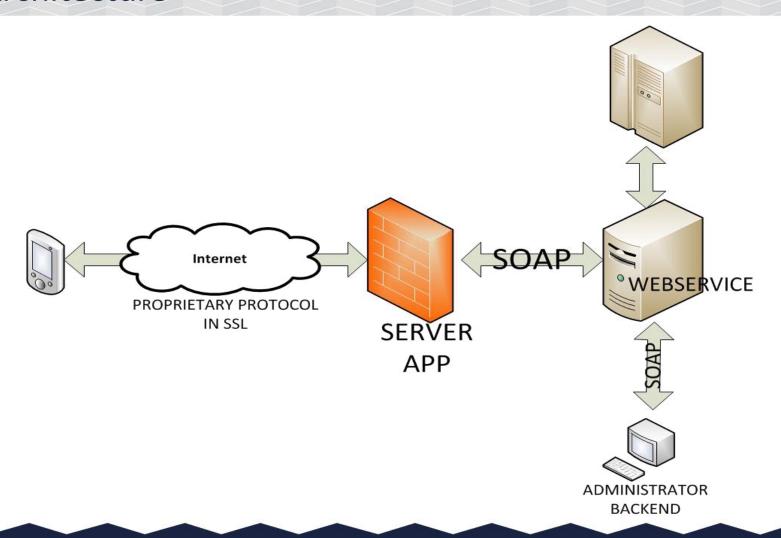


Game Over

So now we can manage all the other accounts and spend their money!



Architecture





Cheat sheet - owners

While deploying a proprietary solution:

- Get it pentested
- Verify vendor claims
- Ask the vendor for secure development lifecycle, procedures of addressing vulnerabilities, previous bugs



Cheat sheet - developers

Protocol is NOT secure by its secrecy

Proper encryption. Use known standards, implement them with care.

Input validation, access control, many layers of security, least privilege principle...

Beware backwards compatibility



How to hack protocols?

Decompile client?
Inject code?
Search for the specs?
Use some tools?
Watch the packets?





Look for the fine manual

- There may be unofficial client, or e.g. wireshark plugin
- Ask for the docs ©
- Search for them
- Yes, we have found internal protocol specification by google hacking!



Decompile client

Sometimes easy – e.g. not obfuscated Android application:

```
byte abyte3[] = pass.getBytes();
byte abyte4[] =
MessageDigest.getInstance("MD5").digest
(abyte3);
```

Sometimes really hard & time consuming.

May be fun, but often leads astray



Watch the packets

Various tools to analyze proprietary protocols time consuming, usually do not work

Raw, just try to spot some scheme of course with a little help of your friends: wireshark, tcpdump, ssldump etc.

Your favourite scripting language





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INDUSTRIAL INSECURITY



Industrial insecurity

Thousands of interfaces publicly available.

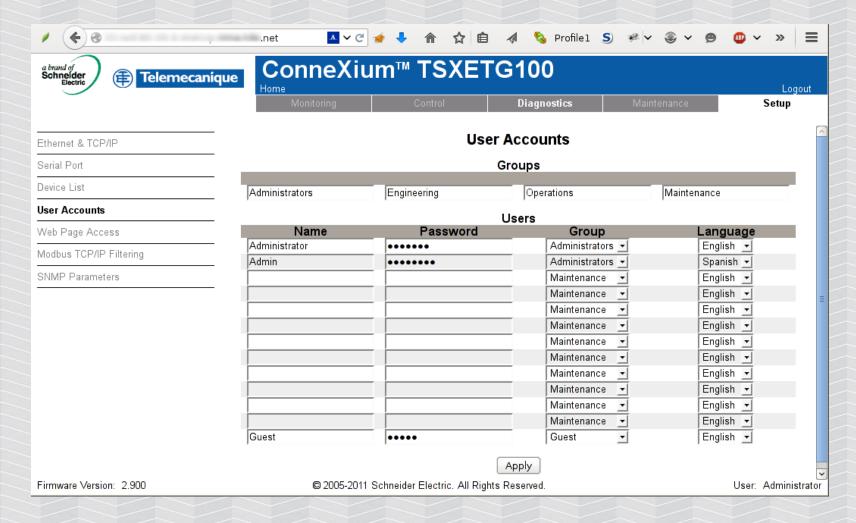
Trivial to discover, already scanned & catalogued likewise cameras.

Modbus-TCP, Serial-TCP, default passwords or password-less web management interfaces...

I won't reveal the links here ;)

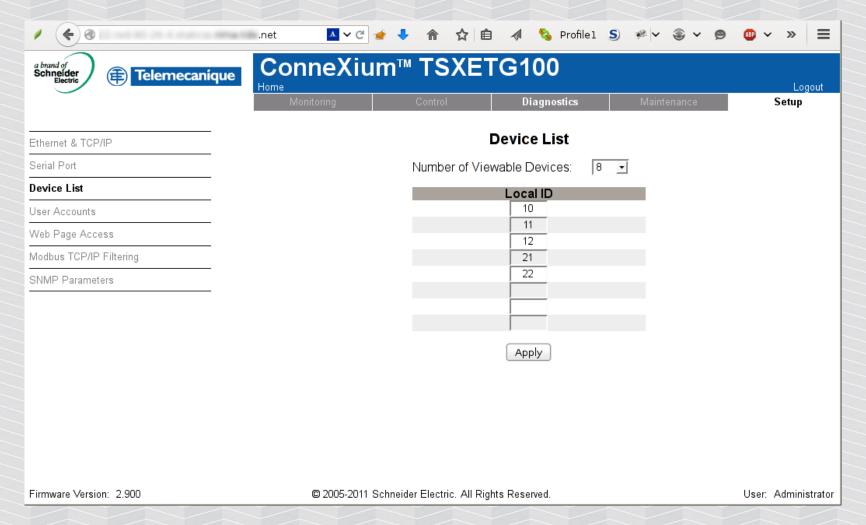


Industrial insecurity – public interfaces



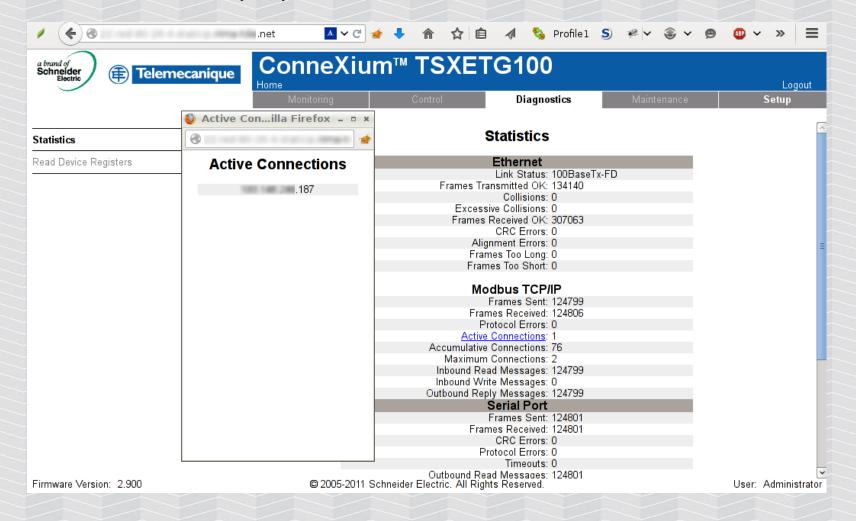


Industrial insecurity – public interfaces





Industrial insecurity - public interfaces





Industrial RFID reader

Read RFIDs mounted in privileged trucks to automatically open the gate.





Industrial RFID reader - port scan

PORT STATE SERVICE VERSION

23/tcp open telnet Busybox telnetd

4007/tcp open pxc-splr?

4684/tcp open unknown

10001/tcp open tcpwrapped

Service Info: Host: UHF-RFID-Dev



No need to hack - just RTFM

Frame set-up

A frame looks like the following:

Start + data block + end

The start is made up of 0xAA 0xBB 0x01 0x01, whereby the first 1 is the Datetransmit byte and the second 1 is a Stuffbyte. The end is made up of 0xAA 0xCC. If the byte 0xAA appears in the KBRP frame, it must be doubled (0XAA -> 0xAA 0xAA).

Port

The TCP communication port is the port 4007.

Example

The frame "ASyncGetEPCs" is shown here as an example. The ID for this command is "0x0111", which makes the frame look like this:

0xAA 0xBB 0x01 0x01 0x11 0x01 0xAA 0xCC

ASyncGetEPCs:

The reader reads all tags in the field and only provides the PC with feedback when a tag arrives at or leaves the field.



Command-line "client"



...and now we can clone the tag

```
$ echo -e "\xAA\xBB\x01\x01\x11\x01\xAA\xCC" | nc <IP> 4007 |
hexdump
0000000 bbaa 0101 8111 aa00 aacc 07bb aa00 aacc
0000010 07bb aa00 aacc 07bb aa00 aacc 07bb aa00
0000020 aacc 07bb aa00 aacc 07bb aa00 aacc 07bb
0000030 aa00 aacc 07bb aa00 aacc 07bb aa00 aacc
(\ldots)
0000350 aacc 07bb aa00 aacc 07bb aa00 aacc 07bb
0000360 aa00 aacc 07bb aa00 aacc 07bb aa00 aacc
0000370 07bb aa00 aacc 01bb 1101 ffc1 0103 0247
0000380 1353 ed6b ccaa bbaa 0007 ccaa bbaa 0101
0000390 c111 0300 0001 5302 6b13 05ed aa00 aacc
(\ldots)
```



Should we worry?

The incoming vehicles are also traditionally verified by security staff.

The device is available in restricted LAN only.

The tag can also be scanned from the truck itself.

BUT: you have to be aware of the technology shortcomings and not to alter the above conditions!



BLUETOOTH SMART

- AKA Bluetooth Low Energy, BLE, Bluetooth 4



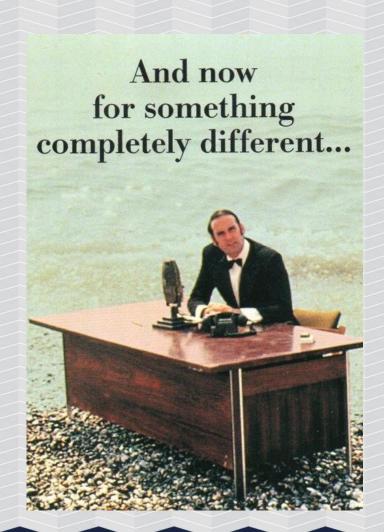
Bluetooth Smart != Bluetooth 3

Completely different stack – from RF to upper layers.

Designed from the ground-up for low energy usage.

Network topology

- a) Broadcaster + Observer
- b) Master + Peripheral





Broadcast - beacon

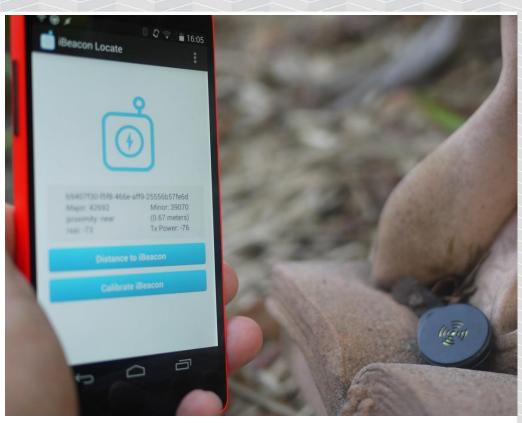
UUID (vendor) 2F234454-CF6D-4A0F-ADF2-F4911BA9FFA6

Major (group) 45044

Minor (individual) 5

Tx Power -59

The mobile app can measure precise distance to specified beacon.

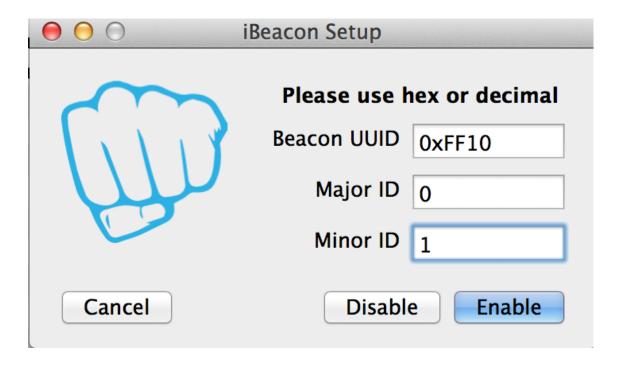


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Beacons – emulation #1: LightBlue

Available for iPhone, iPad, Mac



https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/lightblue-bluetooth-low-energy/id557428110



Beacons - emulation #2: Bluez

hcitool cmd 0x08 0x00008 1E 02 01 1A 1A FF 4C 00 02 15 84 2A F9 C4 08 F5 11 E3 92 82 F2 3C 91 AE C0 5E FD E8 AF C8 C5 00



Beacons - emulation #2: Bluez

hcitool cmd 0x08 0x0008 1E 02 01 1A 1A FF 4C 00 02

15 84 2A F9 C4 08 F5 11 E3 92 82 F2 3C 91 AE C0 5E FD

E8 AF C8 C5 00

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Host Controller Interface Functional Specification

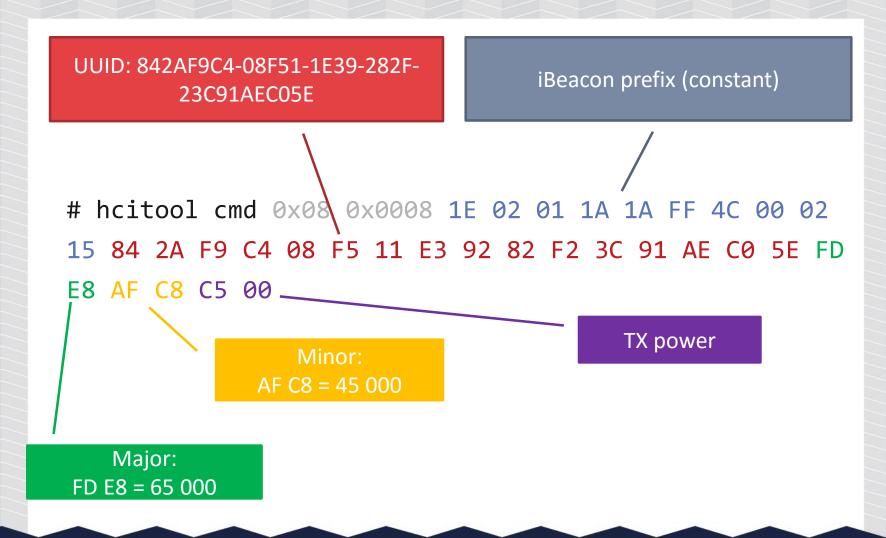


7.8.7 LE Set Advertising Data Command

Command	OCF		Command pa	rameters	Return Parameters
HCI_LE_Set_Adv ertising_Data	0x0008		Advertising_Data_Length, Advertising_Data		Status



iBeacon data broadcast





Beacons – some example usage scenarios

Additional info on products based on precise location.

Rewards for visiting places.

Indoor guide, help to navigate the blind etc.

Your home or toys can automatically react to you.

Be warned that your bike or car is no longer in the garage.



Beacons - additional info based on location





Abuse?

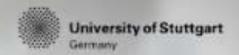




Beacons - the navigating usage scenario







CRUISE CONTROL FOR PEDESTRIANS:

Controlling Walking Direction using Electrical Muscle Stimulation



Max Pfeiffer, Tim Dünte, Stefan Schneegass, Florian Alt, Michael Rohs



Abuse?





OTHER BLE DEVICES

Beacons are just the beginning...



How to make your own BLE device?

- 1. Buy SDK+devices from selected vendor (Nordic, Tl...)
- 2. Import ready-to-use sample code.
- 3. Add your bright usage scenario (and sometimes a bit of hacking).
- 4. Create convincing bootstrap webpage + videos.
- 5. Run successful Kickstarter campaign.
- 6. Profit!



Beacons are just the beginning...

Electric plugs, lightbulbs, locks, kettles, sensors, wallets, socks, pans, jars, toothbrushes, bags, plates, dildos, sitting pads, measuring your farts devices, calorie-counting mugs...

"It was just a dumb thing. Then we put a chip in it. Now it's a smart thing."

(weputachipinit.tumblr.com)

Crowdfunding: a new kind of celebrity. Too often ridiculous meets big money.





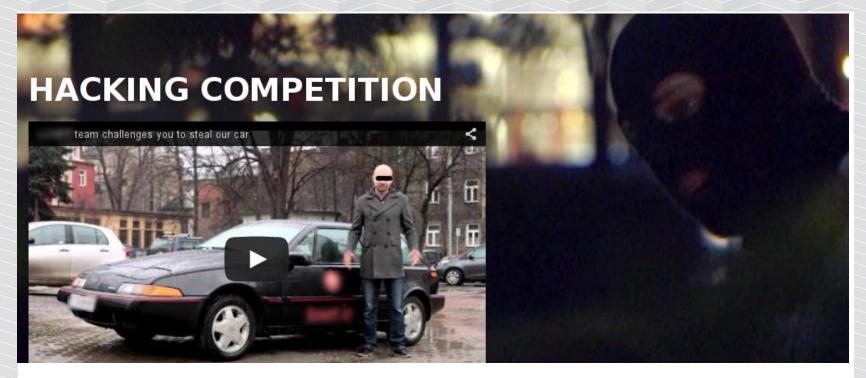




www.myvessyl.com



Other BLE devices



They have been assured the communication is unbreakable because they use AES.

I showed an intruder may approach the unsuspecting victim's phone once (even with autounlock feature off), to be able to get full control over the car for consecutive times without consent of the victim.





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