

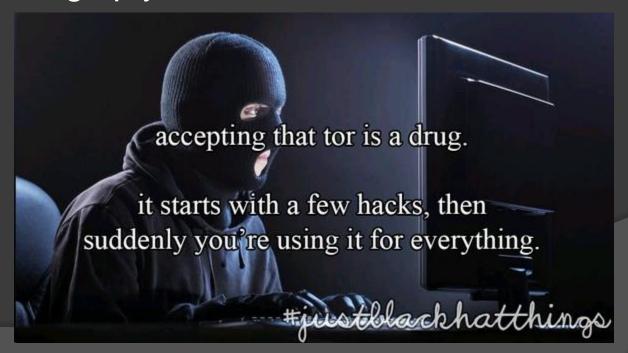
Fun and mayhem for ~ 80 zl

# **GUERRILLA TOR**



#### Let's hide our IP address...

- A VPN/proxy implies trust in a third party
  - Passive adversary can still learn your IP
- Tor implies trust in the exit nodes
  - Setting up your own exit nodes fixes this



# Seattle police raid home of privacy activists who maintain Tor anonymity network node



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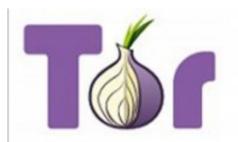


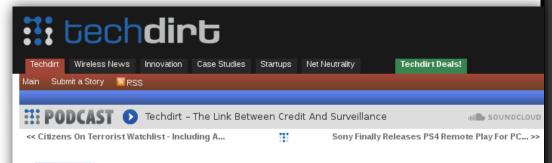














#### Law Enforcement Raids Another Tor Exit Node Because It Still Believes An IP Address Is A Person

from the TASE-THAT-ROUTER dept

An IP address is not a person, even less so if said IP address traces back to a Tor exit relay. But

es" from subjecting people with no knowledge at all of alleged to raids and searches.



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eized a bunch of **computer equipment** from a residence moving forward with nothing more than an IP address -- seized was **also running** a Tor exit relay.

ed ICE's "upon information and belief" affidavit statements

le "information" and recommended law enforcement check
s before conducting raids based on IP addresses. ICE,
same mistake, no matter what information was brought to its

showed up with a warrant. Sad this still
happens, but that's police logic twitter.com
/SeattlePrivacy...

Ran Tor exit node out of residence. Police

predicated on nothing more than an IP address -- at least not formed by Seattle PD conducting a child porn investigation.

If the activity back to an IP address, which was all the probable

cause it needed to show up at privacy activist David Robinson's home at 6 a.m. and demand

#### Our idea



- Set up disposable Tor exit nodes:
  - It's our own node, not someone else's box
  - Only used a few times, then never again (good OPSEC)
  - Cannot be traced back to you (no hosting)
  - Must be cheap
    - If we were rich we wouldn't be here, folks!
  - Must use public internet infrastructure



#### Can we trust Tor?

- Ehrm... no. But we don't need to:
  - We control the exit nodes ©
  - Using OpenVPN we can thwart existing crypto & traffic analysis attacks against Tor
  - Time is our ally here
  - Don't forget OPSEC





# Our first prototype: TL-WR703N





#### Problems

- Somewhat bulky, difficult to hide in public places
- Requires external power
- Comes with only 8 Mb of ROM
  - You can fit a minimal build of OpenWRT with Tor, but little else
- Requires a USB stick for additional storage







#### Here comes the ZSUN



- Even cheaper than the TP-LINK!
- Much, much, much smaller
- Doubles the RAM and ROM
- External storage can be a MicroSD card
- Hardware is (relatively) easy to change
- Powered from the USB port itself
- Already researched at hackerspace.pl



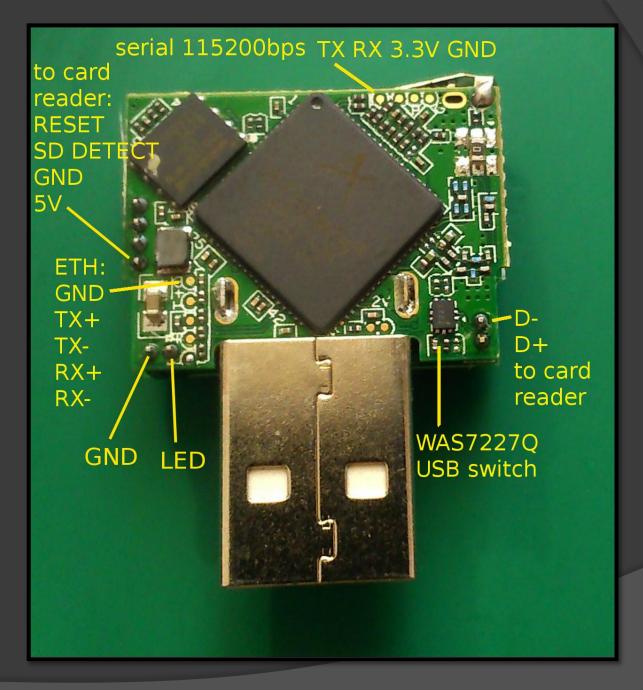


















- We ordered our prototype devices from DealExtreme
  - This won't do in real life, cash is better
  - For bulk purchasing go to the manufacturer
- Prices:
  - ~60 zl ZSUN WiFi SD Card Reader
  - ~40 zl Waterproof Solar Power Bank
  - ~16 zl MicroSD & USB Charger
  - Prices may change in your country!



# Let's change the firmware

We'll miss this beautiful banner though!

```
$ socat - TCP4:10.168.168.1:11880
000000 ! 00000
(none) login: root
root
Password: zsun1188
Welcome to
                 深圳至上移动科技有限公司
                    Shenzhen Zsun Cloud Technology Co., LTD.
                    www.zsuncloud.com
BusyBox v1.01 (2014.12.27-02:50+0000) Built-in shell (ash)
Enter 'help' for a list of built-in commands.
```



- The folks at Hackerspace.pl already wrote a kernel patch for this <u>hardware</u>
  - It's for an old kernel now, but we ported it to more versions (3.18.29, 4.1, 4.4)
- The OpenWRT sources have to be compiled on Ubuntu
  - We prefer real Linux, thank you :P
  - Vagrant comes to the rescue!



- Using Vagrant, we set up an Ubuntu box
  - Downloads all dependencies and sources automatically
- A Makefile takes care of automating the process of parallel building multiple images
  - Support for adding patches and additional software and configuration files
  - SSL/SSH/VPN/Tor certificates generated automatically on each build
- Just git clone and you're good to go



```
~/happyhacker/vagrant-happyhacker$ make help
To build all targets just type:
    make all
To list the available targets:
   make list
To build a specific target:
    make bin/<target>
To clean the build files (but not the VM or output files):
    make clean
To completely clean up everything (including the VM and output files):
   make dirclean
To begin preparing a new firmware image from scratch:
   make menuconfig
To modify the configuration for an existing target firmware image:
    make menuconfig CONFIG=<target>
Vagrant VM control:
    make up
   make suspend
   make destroy
~/happyhacker/vagrant-happyhacker$
```



```
~/happyhacker/vagrant-happyhacker$ ls
bin config Makefile patches README.md script src TODO.md Vagrantfile
~/happyhacker/vagrant-happyhacker$ make list
The following targets are available:
$ make bin/x86-torrorist
$ make bin/zsun-debug
$ make bin/zsun-extboot
$ make bin/zsun-torrorist
~/happyhacker/vagrant-happyhacker$ make bin/zsun-debug
Bringing machine 'openwrt-happyhacker-build-vm' up with 'virtualbox' provider...
==> openwrt-happyhacker-build-vm: VirtualBox VM is already running.
BUILDING FIRMWARE IMAGE FOR TARGET: zsun-debug
'/vagrant/src/common/files/' -> './files/'
'/vagrant/src/common/files/etc' -> './files/etc'
'/vagrant/src/common/files/etc/banner' -> './files/etc/banner'
/vagrant/patches/zsun-openwrt-chaos-calmer.diff:280: space before tab in indent.
        {"w25x10"}, {"w25x20"},
                                    {"w25x40"}, {"w25x80"},
/vagrant/patches/zsun-openwrt-chaos-calmer.diff:281: space before tab in indent.
        \{\text{"w25x16"}\}, \{\text{"w25x32"}\}, \{\text{"w25q32"}\}, \{\text{"w25q32dw"}\},
/vagrant/patches/zsun-openwrt-chaos-calmer.diff:282: space before tab in indent.
```





bin/{target}/\*

config/{target}/config
config/{target}/sources
config/{target}/patches

config/{target}/files/\*
config/{target}/initialize.sh
config/{target}/finish.sh

src/{component}/files/\*
src/{component}/initialize.sh
src/{component}/finish.sh

patches/{patch}.diff

This is where the output files will be written

OpenWRT makefile configuration, this is mandatory List of components to be included in this target List of patches to be applied on this target

Files to be included directly in the device filesystem Initialization script for this target Post build customization script for this target

Files to be included directly in the device filesystem Initialization script for this component Post build customization script for this component

Diff-style patch for the OpenWRT source code to be applied



#### Our setup: ph33r the "torrorist"

- Tor configured to act as an exit node, with additional hidden services
  - OpenVPN for masking our own traffic
- Optional applications can be added
  - A file sharing application to act as an anonymous dead drop for files
  - More fun stuff can be added too:
    - IRC/XMPP servers for chat
    - Murmur server for voice



#### Connecting to the Internet

- This proved to be the most difficult part
- Our first idea: 4G modems
  - They provide a reasonable speed
  - Can be deployed almost anywhere
  - Some countries (like Poland) don't ask for ID when buying a SIM card
- Problem: 4G modems are expensive!
  - Still doable if you've got the cash



### Connecting to the Internet

- Our evil scheme: public Internet access
  - Many cities in the world have public WiFi infrastructure
  - Depending on local legislation, you may get away with using WiFi connections from bars and other publically accessible locations
  - Technical problem is solved, human problems begin ☺
  - Consult your local tech lawyer!



#### Connecting to the Internet



#### Passwords for Wi-Fi





Free version





# Using the Wi-Fi Manager

- We developed our own Wi-Fi manager
  - Can connect to multiple Wi-Fi networks at the same time
  - Each connection has a different "identity", with random *realistic* hostnames and MAC addresses
  - Integrates with UCI, the OpenWRT configuration system
  - Modular and very configurable
    - But works directly out of the box too



# Using the Wi-Fi Manager



Device Info Summary

WAN

Statistics

Route

ARP

DHCP

**Advanced Setup** 

Wireless

Diagnostics

Management

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Lucass-MacBook	18:ff:0f:30:34:aa	100.100.100.104	2 days, 17 hours, 10 minutes, 13 seconds
android-047h6319764j0yaw	00:25:9e:da:b8:74	100.100.100.105	2 days, 17 hours, 43 minutes, 39 seconds
Annas-MacBook	18:ff:0f:2b:21:61	100.100.100.106	2 days, 17 hours, 55 minutes, 17 seconds
hostname	0c:82:68:ee:7f:3e	100.100.100.107	2 days, 21 hours, 46 minutes, 5 seconds
android-02feqr1uw2j7jq9j	58:3f:54:b5:30:55	100.100.100.109	2 days, 19 hours, 18 minutes, 45 seconds
android-qn23oj1i48f9m567	f8:3d:ff:89:5b:e3	100.100.100.110	2 days, 19 hours, 27 minutes, 12 seconds
android-p091n709kqi90om6	ac:e2:15:7a:8a:7e	100.100.100.111	2 days, 19 hours, 43 minutes, 51 seconds
Islas-iPhone	00:f4:b9:44:4a:c7	100.100.100.112	2 days, 19 hours, 55 minutes, 17 seconds
Jazmin-Notebook	00:10:18:b4:cb:09	100.100.100.113	2 days, 20 hours, 45 minutes, 55 seconds
Kaspars-MacBook	18:ff:0f:8a:c1:53	100.100.100.114	2 days, 20 hours, 53 minutes, 26 seconds
android-e1tlq04mo8411ae4	00:25:9e:81:61:50	100.100.100.115	2 days, 21 hours, 23 minutes, 33 seconds
android-5d2pfrgim3dj8u0b	58:3f:54:ac:ad:a1	100.100.100.116	2 days, 21 hours, 41 minutes, 57 seconds
William-Laptop	5c:51:4f:75:54:55	100.100.100.117	2 days, 21 hours, 47 minutes, 28 seconds
android-0474pg35t6th3hj7	f8:95:c7:d9:41:07	100.100.100.118	2 days, 21 hours, 54 minutes, 28 seconds
Harry-Computer	00:10:18:8b:85:6c	100.100.100.119	2 days, 21 hours, 56 minutes, 22 seconds
Maksims-MacBook	18:ff:0f:88:c9:4e	100.100.100.120	2 days, 23 hours, 51 minutes, 33 seconds
Emilys-iPhone	00:f4:b9:3c:c2:5e	100.100.100.121	2 days, 23 hours, 58 minutes, 7 seconds

#### Future work

- Ca Ca
- More security improvements are needed
  - OpenWRT is clearly not designed as a secure environment...
  - Defaults to building with ALL exploit mitigations turned off

By default everything runs as root



#### Future work

- We're working on a way to boot
   OpenWRT directly from the SD card
  - Not as easy as it seems! We don't have a helpful BIOS here like we do in x86 <sup>(2)</sup>
  - Re-mouting rootfs and loading a new kernel using kexec seems like the way to go, but there are still some problems to solve
  - The advantage for the end user: no need to flash a new image, just change the SD card



#### Future work

- Another evil plan: using LXC
  - Containers are handy for isolating the different services running on the device
  - Deploying containers remotely over Tor is also a possibility
    - Everything would be volatile shutting down the device would destroy all data
    - Think of a guerrilla cloud environment ©





