Spaß auf dem Embedded-Spielplatz

Reversing, Exploiting und Patching einer Billig-Action-Kamera

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EKEN H9 Ultra HD 4K Action Camera -Sunplus 6350 + OV4689 WiFi 170 Degree Wide 4.8 (276 Customer Reviews) | 59 answered gr Dispatch: Ships within 4-10 business days FREE SHIPPING Regular Price: €64.11 Discount: 31% OFF €44.⁵⁰ QTY: + Color: BLACK BLUE YELLOW GOLDEN Custom options US PLUG **EU PLUG** Shipping Cost to: Germany ▼ TAND Add to Cart Add to Far

Hardware

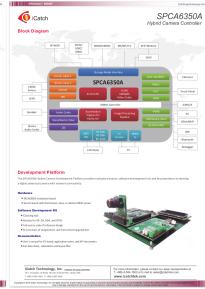
- 4MP sensor, microphone
- LCD screen, 4 buttons
- Micro-USB, Micro-HDMI, MicroSD
- WiFi

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- SoC: iCatch SPCA6350M
 - MIPS4k "Up to 450MHz"
 - Some hundred MB of RAM
 - H.264 Codec
 - · Image Processing, incl. face beautification

PRODUCT BRIEF





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Find the serial port!

(soldering help by Micha @ Loetlabor TU-Berlin & gruetzkopf @ CCC-AC)

Firmware

- Old firmware: 4k@15fps, 1080p@60fps, 720p@120fps(!)
- New firmware (2016): 4k@25, 2.7K@30
- Down Button: start WiFi AP, "iCam H9"

WiFi Password

Looking for a manual...

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Bluebiit BlueEye - 4K ActionCamera



Manual PDF → Password *0123456789*

- Android App: "Ez iCam" (No source, but GPL parts?)
- · Preview live stream
- Change settings
- Record media

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Let's look at the traffic!

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WiFi Services

Access these services using the hardcoded WiFi password:

- Picture Transfer Protocol (PTP)
- RTSP Streaming (MJPG only?!):

```
rtsp://192.168.1.1/MJPG?W=720&H=400&Q=50&BR=5000000
```

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- FTP Server: Read/write SD card
 - Photos

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- Videos
- Firmware updates convenient!

MJPG



Serial Port

```
version:01.00.00
      version: 01.00.03
 AWB version: 5.0.0E815.1
  IO flow version:00.01.06
 MD version: 00.01.00
 NDK version:00.13.05
[host][trace]appStateCtrlInitial() start...
[host][trace]appPowerOnState : [0xfa0<u>00000] [0x0]</u>
[hostlappPowerOnState
AXP (CHIP ID: 0x03) detected
USB PORT APPLE
[host]ae: aeCb.pviso= 0, 0, 56
[host]ae: aeCb.capiso= 0, 0, 56
[host]ae: pviso=0, capiso=0, iris=68
[host][warn]ae: MIN Gain idx error
[hostlae: 120FPS 50Hz
AWB PARA FPTR AEINFO -2147177000
>>> AWB Algo Version: 5.0.0E815.1 <<<
   load res success.
```

Serial Port: Help

ATlogwrite, ATread, ATwrite, ECCread, ECCwrite, GsiModeSet, GsiSp5k, I2cModeSet, I2cSp5k, PdmaLock, PdmaMap, PdmaUnlock, Test 4DMARUN, Test 4DMARUN2SRUN, Test EmmcGsi0, Test Emmcl2c0. Test EmmcSdio, Test EmmcUart0, Test Gsi0Gsi1, Test Gsi0I2c1, Test Gsi0Sdio, Test Gsi0Uart1, Test GsiRW, Test GsiRW0, Test I2c0I2c1, Test I2c0Sdio, Test I2cDmaMode0, Test I2cDmaMode1, Test I2cPio, Test NandGsi0, Test NandI2c0, Test NandSd, Test NandSdio, Test NandUart0, Test SPIRW, Test SdSdio, Test SdioRW, Test SpiGsi0, Test SpiI2c0, Test SpiSd, Test SpiSdio, Test SpiUart0, Test Uart0DMAI2c1DMA, Test Uart0I2c1, Test Uart0Sdio, Test Uart0Uart1, Test UartDma, Test UartPio, UartDataLen, UartEven, UartModeSet, UartParity, UartSp5k, UartStop2b, ad, addrdump, aeinfo, aeset, bayeroff, cd, cdspinfo, cdspload, cdsplut, cdspreg, chkdsk, clocktree, copy, del, dig, dir, dispclk, dispcmen, dispcmset, dly, dramdmachk, dt, dump, edgechk, fcrc, fct, fhelp, fill, fmVer, fmt, fpg, fpllset, frmrate, frpsz, fsif, gpiomuxset, gpioswapset, help, htmrd, htmre. htmrs, hwyer, info, jo, jocfg, jodir, joext, jg, jgsaye, jspFw, ldsysinfo, ldtbltest, ls, mapExe, mapVar, memlock, mkdir, msg. nandGhostr, nandGhostw, nandcp, nandcp, nandcp, nandpr, nandpw, nandrr, nandscan, net, obdetonly, os, pbyuy, pintest, proc. prof. pybuf, pyraw, pyyuy, pwm, pwmcfg, r, read, regSdio, regdump, ren, reportsize, reporty. rmdir, rr. rsver, rsvfwr, rsvfww, rsvhdr, rsvrd, rsvset, rsvwr, rtcg, rtcreg, rtcs, rtct, sar, save, savepv, saveraw, sdhc. sdioDetect, sdioSdDetect, sdior, sdiow, sdtest, search, sizedump, sleep2, snap, spidet, spier, spifwr, spifww, spihdr, spipr, spipw, spir, spirwt, spiset, suspend, syspllset, usage, usagex, usb, usbls, usbmm, usbms, usbsc, usbt, ver, verify, videostate, w, write

Not all commands are documented or check their parameters...

```
cmd>savepv
savepv NUM FRAME INTERVAL STOP ALIGN FRAME WIDTH(FileBuf) ID
cmd>help write
write - Write file to card. Ex. write TEST.BIN 0xa1000000 1024
cmd>help addrdump
addrdump - No help.
cmd>addrdump
.dump[00000000]sz0x20
00000000
Program dead @[804e6fe8] SP:808bfd58 BadVAd:000000<u>00 CAUSE:c0800008</u>
Because(2) (TLBL)
Stack call frame snapped as..
(SRSCtl)0c003003 SRS[0]
(EPC)804e6fe8 (SR )0100ff03 (RA )804e6a84 (GP )806445e0
($fp)804e6fe8 ($AT)00000000 ($v0)00000020 ($v1)00000020
($a0)00000000 ($a1)00000020 ($a2)808bfce0 ($a3)00000000
($t0)80581fad ($t1)fffffffc ($t2)00000000 ($t3)00000001
($t4)804cee54 ($t5)0100ff01 ($t6)0000021d ($t7)00000047
($t8)00000001 ($t9)8047599c ($Lo)19999999 ($Hi)00000005
($s0)00000001 ($s1)00000020 ($s2)00000000 ($s3)00000000
($s4)00000000 ($s5)805da330 ($s6)00000000 ($s7)8057b9ec
PC History snapped as..
```

Some useful commands

```
os - Print OS information. Type os ?
   for more information
dump - Dump memory, dump [<b/w/h/l>]
   [<saddr> [<[+]eaddr>]]
write - Write file to card. Ex.
   write TEST.BIN 0xa1000000 1024
read - Read file to DRAM. Ex.
   read TEST.BIN 0xa1000000
net - NDK command shell
```

Firmware versions

Several firmware versions available in Russian webforums:

```
http:
//4pda.ru/forum/index.php?showtopic=687795
(Nothing on manufacturer's website!)
```

- No changelog, but tons of comments on resolved & new issues
- SPHOST.BRN, 9MB
- Put file on SD card, boot camera, wait patiently
- Also available: Some internal tools (?) didn't test

Binwalk

```
0 \times 982B0
            Copyright string: "Copyright (c) 1996-2005 Express Logic
            Inc. * ThreadX MIPS32 4Kx/GNU Version G4.0c.4.0 *"
0x1AB920
            JPEG image data, JFIF standard 1.01
            JPEG image data, JFIF standard 1.02
0x1B0B20
[...]
0x82306B
            Copyright string: "Copyright (c) 2004-2011, Jouni Malinen
            <j@w1.fi> and contributors"
0x823FAA
            Unix path: /var/run/hostapd)
0x82B720
            Neighborly text, "Neighboring BSS:
            %02x:%02x:%02x:%02x:%02x:%02x freq=%d pri=%d sec=%dec=%d"
[...]
0x84B874
            Executable script, shebang: "/usr/bin/bash"
```

Firmware format

```
Offset 0x0:
53 55 4e 50
             20 42 55 52
                           4e 20 46 49 4c 45 00 00
                                                       |SUNP BURN FILE..|
                86 09
da 18 8e 00
             0.0
                       0.0
                           00 96 09
                                     00
                                        20 37 2a
                                                       1...... 7*.1
      0.0
         0.0
             2.0
                       0.0
                                     0.0
                                            00 00 00
                                                       |.....|
00 00 00 00 00 00
                      0.0
                                 0.0
                                     00
                                        00
                                            00 00 00
                                                       1 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
SUNP \rightarrow Sunplus \rightarrow SPCA
File length: 0x8e18da
Offset 0x098600:
53 55 4e 50 20 42 55 52 4e 20 48 44 52 20 31 00 | SUNP BURN HDR 1.|
[\ldots]
Offset 0x099600:
53 55 4e 50 20 42 55 52 4e 20 48 44 52 20 32 00 |SUNP BURN HDR 2.|
[\ldots]
Offset 0x2a3720
00 60 1b 40 00 80 1a 3c 28 00 5a 27 02 00 7b 33 |.'.@...<(.z'...{3}|
```

Firmware format

- MIPS32 code at 0x2a3720 where is it mapped?
- Idea: correlate string pointers with string constants

- Find pointers, sort, look at distances (4, 8)
- Find string addresses, look at distances (4, 8)
- Yay, match!
- Careful: Alignment, unused strings, doubly used string ("456"), wrongly identified strings or pointers

Result: Code is mapped to 0x80000000 - D'oh!

Survival MIPS

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Survival Mips: Instructions

Fixed width (32 bits):

- lw \$s0, 4(\$v0): Load word from \$v0+4 into \$s0
- sb \$s0, 4(\$v0): **Save byte** \$s0 **to address** \$v0+4
- addu \$v0,\$t2,\$t3 **Compute** \$v0 := \$t2 + \$t3
- jalr \$v1: Save next PC in \$ra, jump to \$v1

Survival MIPS

Delay slot & 32bit load:

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```
lui $a0, 0x805C # Load Upper Immediate
jalr $s4; maybe_print # Jump And Link Register
la $a0, aCardupdateUp_3 # "[CardUpdate]update Firmware."
lw $s4, fw_hdr.off_code($s0) # Load Word
beqz $s4, no_codeseg # Branch on Zero
lw $a0, unk_8063EBD4 # Load Word
```

Classic reversing technique:

```
lui
       $a1, 0x8050 # Load Upper Immediate
       $a3, 0x8058 # Load Upper Immediate
lui
       $v0, 0x2A($s0) # Store Halfword
sh
li
       $a0, 3
                # Load Immediate
       $a1, aFtpd_cmd_port # "ftpd_cmd_port"
la
li
       $a2, 0x320 # Load Immediate
       $a3, aSS_addr0xXSin_ # " '%s': s_addr=0x%x, sin_port=0x%x"
la
       $t0, 0x48+var 38($sp) # Store Word
SW
       $v1, 0x48+var 34($sp) # Store Word
SW
       ndk_log
                     # a0=level (>=5: assert fail)
jal
                       # a1=funchame
                        # a2=line
                       # a3=fmtstr
                        # stack:fmtargs
       $v0, 0x48+var 30($sp) # Store Word
SW
```

Symbol Recovery

```
lui $s1, 0x8050  # Load Upper Immediate
addiu $a0, $s0, (aSLineDOpenFile - 0x80560000)  # "[%s] line %d: open file %s "
addiu $a1, $s1, (aAppinitlogmsgt - 0x80500000)  # "appInitLogMsgToStorage"
li $a2, 0x2DF  # Load Immediate
addiu $a3, $s2, (aDSdmark_log - 0x80560000)  # "D:\\SDMARK.LOG"
jal some printf thing2  # Jump And Link
```

Some hours later...

Lesson learned: If something is really strange, it's probably an overlooked delay slot

Back to the serial port

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cmd>mapExe 0x804e4958 0xa

argc:2

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API:804e4958

arg[1]:0xa

RET::0xa

cmd>mapExe 0x804e4958 0x41

arqc:2

API:804e4958

arg[1]:0x41

ARET::0x41

Back to the serial port

Let's try something more complex:

```
cmd>mapExe 0x804e4b54 #Gulaschzeit!%.8x.%.8x.%.8x
argc:2
API:804e4b54
arg[1]:Gulaschzeit!%.8x.%.8x.%.8x
```

Gulaschzeit!0000000a.808bfce8.0000000RET::0x38

FTP? NIH!

```
int ftp_session_cmd_handler(/*...*/) {
    char *parts[17];
    /*...*/
    int len = lwip recvfrom(socket, buf, 200);
    if (len > 0) {
        buf[len] = 0;
        ftp cmd split(buf, &nargs, &parts);
void ftp cmd split (
    char *cmd, int *nargs, char**parts) {
    /*...*/
    for(int i=0; i<24; i++) {
        if (/*...*/) break;
        parts[i] = /*...*/;
```

Stack layout

Stack frame offsets:

```
ftp session cmd handler:
stack a4= -0x70
nargs= -0x68
part0= -0x64
part1= -0x60
saved s0 = -0x20
saved s1 = -0x1C
saved s2 = -0x18
saved s3 = -0x14
saved s4 = -0x10
saved s5 = -0xC
saved s6= -8
saved ra= -4
```

- Overwrite \$s* registers with pointers to our data!
- \$s0 points to structure with function pointers!

```
void sockel run(/*...*/) {
    [...]
    ftp session cmd handler (/*...*/);
    // s0 now points to our data
    int *cur = s0 + /*...*/;
    while (/*...*/)
        void (*funcptr)() = cur[2];
        funcptr(s0, cur[0], 0, cur[3]);
        cur += 5;
```

Executable Memory

Jump to shellcode results in crash:

```
[PC violated]
Range 0: 1 80000000<->804f41c0
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```
cmd>dump 1 0xb0001320 +256
..dump[b0001320]sz0x100
b0001320 00000001 80000000-804f41c0 00000000
b0001330 00000001 9fc00000-9fc10000 00000000
b0001340 00000001 a0000000-a0000370 00000000
b0001350 00000000 8046e000-8046f000 00000000
```

(Omitted from regdump?!)

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We can overwrite the range end!

Exploit Callchain

Callchain:

1. Modify executable range:

```
sb $v0, 0x2105($a1); sb $v1, 0x2106($a1); jr $ra
```

3. Jump to shellcode: jalr \$v1; move \$a0, \$s0

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```

2. Update instruction cache:

```
loop_synci(addr, length)
```

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```
.section text
.text
start:
.set noreorder
    li $v0, 0x804e4b54 # printf
    jalr $v0
    li $a0, 0x8058c57d # "own"
    # avoid illegal bytes in 'b' opcode:
```

bne \$a1, \$a0, start

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Demo screenshot

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Runtime Patching

- mapExe shell command allows calling arbitrary functions
- Call malloc()
- Use read to copy code blob from SD card to memory
- Use mapVar to extend the executable region
- Use mapExe to call our code
- Works fine for shellcodes!
- How hard can it be to compile C code for this camera?

Let GCC do the work!

Warning: Ugly kludges ahead

- apt install gcc-mipsel-linux-gnu
- This will create Linux ELFs, we can't just jump in
- Write a linker script
- Play with CFLAGS
- Notice that it's really hard to convince GCC not to create unnecessary relocations
- Give up and write a loader in assembly that relocates the binary

ABI translation: The gp issue

Warning: even worse hacks ahead

- \$gp is the global pointer
- Camera firmware: Base pointer to static data, never modified!
- In the ABI used by my GCC, \$gp has a different purpose
- Call firmware function → crash due to wrong \$gp
- Hackish solution: use inline asm to set \$gp before calls into the firmware
- How can our code be called? After returning, \$gp will be wrong
- Hackish solution: Create entrypoints that restore \$gp afterwards

API definitions

```
000000a8 <uart printf>:
  a8:
        3c08804e
                          lui
                                   t0,0x804e
  ac: 35084b54
                          ori
                                   t0, t0, 0x4b54
  b0:
        3c1c8064
                          lui
                                   qp,0x8064
  b4:
        379c45e0
                          ori
                                   qp, qp, 0x45e0
        01000008
  b8:
                          jr
                                   t.0
  bc:
        00200825
                                   at, at
                          move
```

(Note: there is an opcode for absolute jumps, but GCC crashes when i try to use it)

API definitions

```
int uart putchar (char c);
int uart printf(char* format, ...);
void *malloc(size t len);
_API_CALL(uart_putchar, 0x804e4958);
_API_CALL(uart_printf, 0x804e4b54);
API CALL (malloc, 0x804d2cc4);
void _test_printf_ro(int arg) {
    for(int i=0;i<arq;i++) {</pre>
        uart_printf("hello world #%u!\n", i);
DEFINE ENTRYPOINT (ep test, test printf ro);
```

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Demo: Hello World

```
cmd>mapExe 0xa1783e8c 5
argc:2
API:a1783e8c
arg[1]:0x5
hello world #0!
hello world #1!
hello world #2!
hello world #3!
hello world #4!
RET::0x0
```

Plans

Some code, tools and these slides available at https://github.com/mheistermann/spca-fun

Ideas / Plans

- Proper multistage shellcode
- Telnet/SSH server patch serial IO function pointers?
- Run Rust code on the device!
- Comfortable loading of softmods
- Do the GCC thing properly (not me, suffered enough!)

Come to me if you'd like to play with the device

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