

“Smart” Vacuum Cleaners

An Audit Into The Security and Integrity of IoT Systems

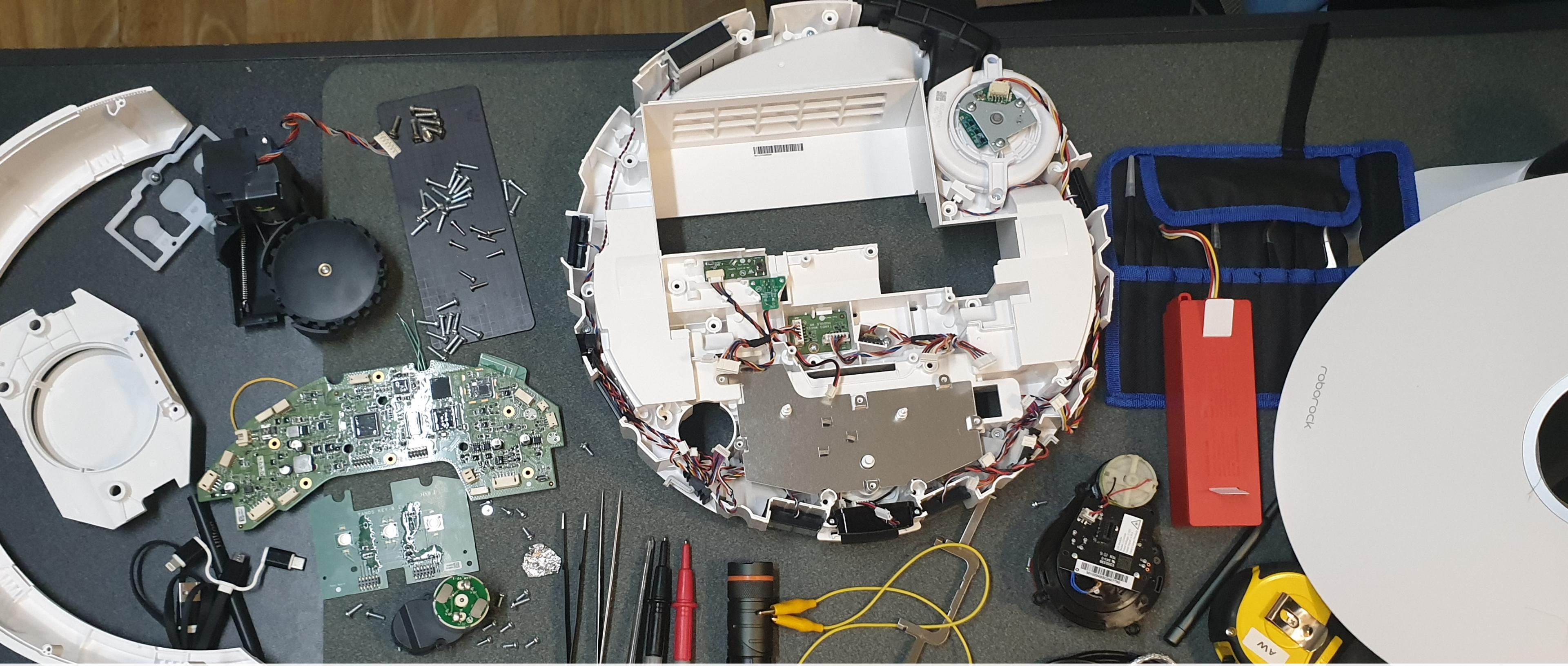
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Today's Agenda

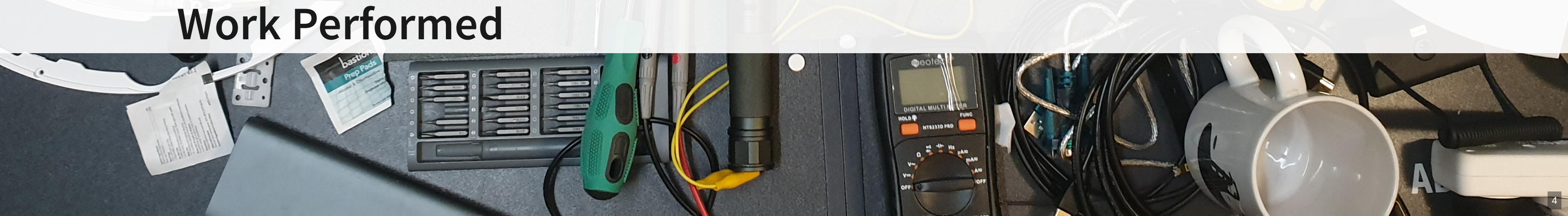
Statement

How have manufacturers of IoT / smart home devices addressed the increasing concerns of digital privacy and product security?

- Digital Privacy - Investigate the nature of network data (i.e. content, frequency, destination) and how the data is used.
- Product Security - Investigate potential security vulnerabilities and assess the effectiveness of current security fortifications.



Work Performed



Fingerprinting

System

```
[ 0.340]U-Boot 2011.09-rc1-dirty (Mar 25 2020 - 20:45:43) Allwinner Technology
[ 0.000000] Linux version 3.4.39 (rockrobo@apimg) (gcc version 4.8.4 (Ubuntu/Linaro 4.8
[ 0.000000] CPU: ARMv7 Processor [410fc075] revision 5 (ARMv7), cr=10c5387d
[ 0.000000] Machine: sun8i
...

```

CPU: Allwinner R16 (ARM Cortex-A7) - ARMv7l / armhf

ACU: STM32F103VCT6 (ARM Cortex-M3)

Roborock Firmware version: 3.5.4_1558

Operating system: Ubuntu 14.04.3 LTS

Fingerprinting

Users

The image shows two terminal windows side-by-side. Both are running on the host with IP 192.168.8.1:22.

The left terminal window displays the contents of the `/etc/passwd` file:

```
root@rockrobo:~# ~ /z5206677/bat /etc/passwd
File: /etc/passwd
Size: 1.1 KB
1 root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
2 daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin/nologin
3 bin:x:2:2:bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
4 sys:x:3:3:sys:/dev:/usr/sbin/nologin
5 sync:x:4:65534:sync:/bin:/bin/sync
6 games:x:5:160:games:/usr/games:/usr/sbin/nologin
7 man:x:6:12:man:/var/cache/man:/usr/sbin/nologin
8 lp:x:7:7:lp:/var/spool/lpd:/usr/sbin/nologin
9 mail:x:8:8:mail:/var/mail:/usr/sbin/nologin
10 news:x:9:9:news:/var/spool/news:/usr/sbin/nologin
11 uucp:x:10:10:uucp:/var/spool/uucp:/usr/sbin/nologin
12 proxy:x:13:13:proxy:/usr/sbin/nologin
13 www-data:x:33:33:www-data:/var/www:/usr/sbin/nologin
14 backup:x:34:34:backup:/var/backups:/usr/sbin/nologin
15 list:x:38:38:Mailing List Manager:/var/list:/usr/sbin/nologin
16 irc:x:39:39:ircd:/var/run/ircd:/usr/sbin/nologin
17 gnats:x:41:41:Gnats Bug-Reporting System (admin):/var/lib/gnats:/usr/sbin/nologin
18 nobody:x:65534:65534:nobody:/nonexistent:/usr/sbin/nologin
19 libuuuid:x:100:101::/var/lib/libuuuid:
20 syslog:x:101:104::/home/syslog:/bin/false
21 sshd:x:102:65534::/var/run/sshd:/usr/sbin/nologin
22 dnsmasq:x:103:65534:dnsmasq,,,:/var/lib/misc:/bin/false
```

The right terminal window displays the contents of the `/etc/shadow` file:

```
root@rockrobo:~# ~ /z5206677/bat /etc/shadow
File: /etc/shadow
Size: 679 B
1 root:$6$mp0OWW$DpR00/CdkUfpapA3rEGL/4m6WZ0kRYC5LSaCJSYKj9iHuZp2PUzfolgrGVeHW5tMtRSYLBWSlonusy67027JF/:0:99999:7:::
2 daemon:*:16652:0:99999:7:::
3 bin:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
4 sys:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
5 sync:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
6 games:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
7 man:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
8 lp:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
9 mail:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
10 news:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
11 uucp:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
12 proxy:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
13 www-data:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
14 backup:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
15 list:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
16 irc:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
17 gnats:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
18 nobody:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
19 libuuuid:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
20 syslog:**:16652:0:99999:7:::
21 sshd:**:16799:0:99999:7:::
22 dnsmasq:**:16799:0:99999:7:::
```

No additional users

```
root@rockrobo:~# ls /home
ruby
```

`/home/ruby` exists but no user `ruby`, though exists in `/etc/passwd`

Fingerprinting

Processes

Everything is running as root

Fingerprinting

Going wireless - establishing SSH

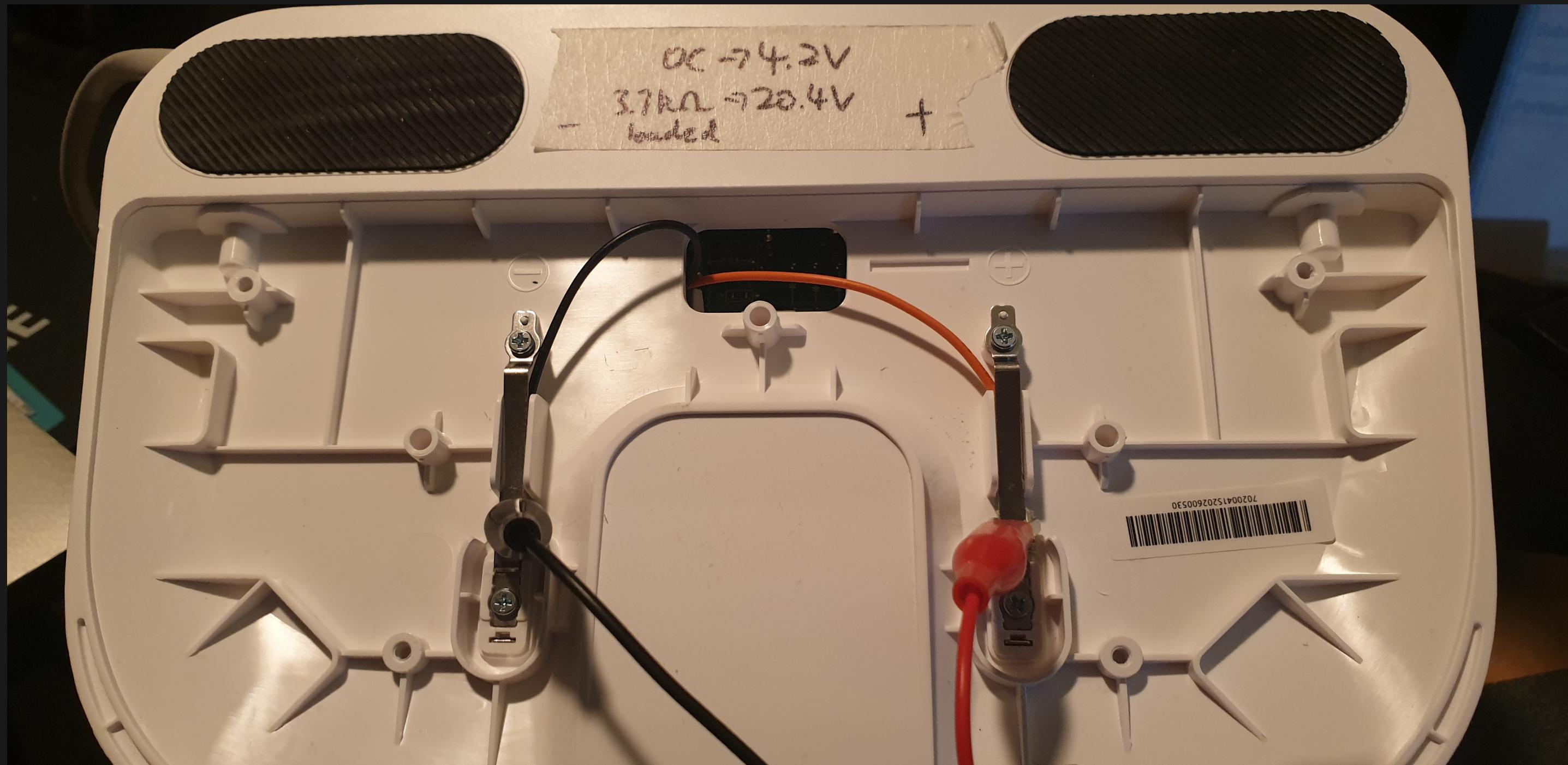
The screenshot shows a web browser window with a white header bar containing three colored dots (red, yellow, green) on the left. Below the header is a navigation bar with the text "CSE Thesis Musings" followed by "About", "Posts" (which is underlined in blue), "Docs", and "Progress Log". The main content area has a light gray background. The title "SSH Access" is centered at the top of the content area. Below the title, a paragraph of text reads: "According to `iptables`, inbound access to the SSH port (22) is blocked". Underneath this text is a code block showing the output of the `root@rockrobo:~# iptables -L` command. The output is as follows:

```
root@rockrobo:~# iptables -L
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target     prot opt source               destination
DROP      udp  --  anywhere             anywhere            udp  dpt:6665
DROP      tcp  --  anywhere             anywhere            tcp  dpt:6665
DROP      tcp  --  anywhere             anywhere            tcp  dpt:ssh
```

At the very bottom of the content area, there is a small, partially visible footer section that starts with "Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT)".

Trivial Power Analysis

Batteries don't last forever!



What if I unplug the battery?

- No change in output during boot
- But device will turn off after around 20 seconds

See [2-wire log](#), [4-wire log](#)

File System Imaging

The eMMC only has 4GB of storage, so we can't (also shouldn't) image the flash onto itself... but we can image it remotely!

```
IP=10.10.10.8
for partition in `ssh root@$IP "ls /dev/mmcblk0?* -1"`
do
    ssh root@$IP "sudo dd if=$partition bs=1M" | dd of=$(basename $partition).img
done
```

File System Structure

partition	label	description
mmcblk0p1	UDISK	user data
mmcblk0p2	boot-res	bootloader stuff
mmcblk0p5	env	
mmcblk0p6	app (RO)	device data
mmcblk0p7	recovery	stock firmware
mmcblk0p8	system_a	Main OS (boot)
mmcblk0p9	system_b	Backup OS
mmcblk0p10	Download	Update temp
mmcblk0p11	reserve	blackbox???

Recovery Reset

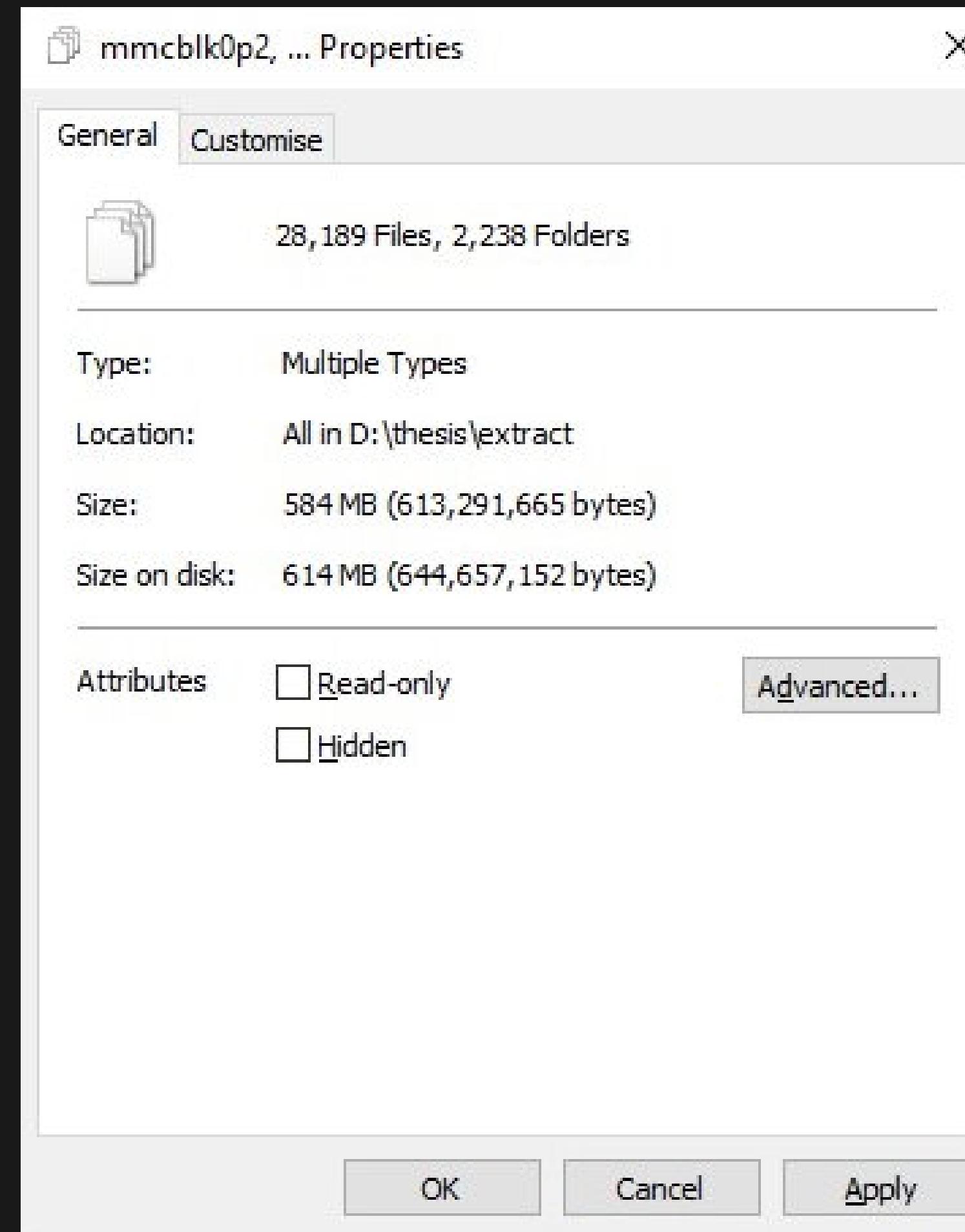
Recovery supposedly resets system_a, system_b, UDISK and Download

```
● ● ●
flag a=2,flag b=4,will be recover system
play opt/rockrobo/resources/sounds/en/bl_recovery_bootfailed.wav
Loading file "opt/rockrobo/resources/sounds/en/bl_recovery_bootfailed.wav" from mmc device 2:7
195238 bytes read
sunxi codec request dma 0x5ebb47b4
rr_recovery_pre_check:716:found recovery num 3
Loading file "/boot/zImage" from mmc device 2:7
3882616 bytes read
part recovery valid
recovery from "recovery" to "system_a"
cover init begin
found recovery
set src start=0,src_size=0
found system_a
set dest start=645922816,dest_size=536870912
real_cover:141:total size=536870912,block=1048576

MMC read: dev # 2, block # 253952, count 8192 ... 8192 blocks read: OK

MMC write: dev # 2, block # 1302528, count 8192 ... 8192 blocks write: OK
```

What about the other partitions? If we want to plant malicious software, can put it in recovery and system_a?



28,189 files...

*Well there's for sure a lot
of files to look at...*

TODO: Recovery partition is modifiable

I did a thing - Commentree

Plain-text annotation / commentary tool

Interesting Files

mmcblk0p1/miio/device.token=utnevRELra5sqef3

mmcblk0p1/miio/device.uid=1738271950 mmcblk0p1/rockrobo/

mmcblk0p11\endpoint.bin - AWS address + key? mmcblk0p7\boot\zImage -
bootloader vinda usage

passwords syslogs

Look for IPs, emails, host/domains, passwords, keys
Check where DID and UID is used
Dummy data to check if it's logged

What other files were changed?

compare against base ubuntu system?

miio mmcblk0p7\opt\rockrobo rrlog rriot

ADB

adb

/usr/sbin/tcpdump

```
root@rockrobo:/var/log# cat dpkg.log | grep "install "
2016-04-25 09:58:30 install libpcap0.8:armhf <none> 1.5.3-2
2016-04-25 09:58:31 install tcpdump:armhf <none> 4.5.1-2ubuntu1.2
2016-05-03 12:06:01 install pigz:armhf <none> 2.3-2
2016-05-23 09:41:25 install lsof:armhf <none> 4.86+dfsg-1ubuntu2
2016-06-23 15:02:26 install gcc-6-base:armhf <none> 6.1.1-3ubuntu11~14.04.1
2016-06-23 15:06:01 install gcc-5-base:armhf <none> 5.3.0-3ubuntu1~14.04
root@rockrobo:/var/log#
```

mmcblk0p7\usr\sbin\tcpdump

/var/log/apt/history.log

```
Start-Date: 2016-01-25 11:18:05
Commandline: /usr/bin/apt-get install rsync
Install: rsync:armhf (3.1.0-2ubuntu0.2)
End-Date: 2016-01-25 11:18:11
```

```
Start-Date: 2016-04-05 12:30:59
Commandline: /usr/bin/apt-get install ccrypt
Install: ccrypt:armhf (1.10-4)
End-Date: 2016-04-05 12:31:01
```

```
Start-Date: 2016-04-25 09:58:29
Commandline: /usr/bin/apt-get install tcpdump
Install: tcpdump:armhf (4.5.1-2ubuntu1.2), libpcap0.8:armhf (1.5.3-2, automatic)
End-Date: 2016-04-25 09:58:33
```

Static binaries

```
./htop --sort-key=PID -C
```

Thesis consideration - some thoughts and discussions

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```
root@rockrobo:/proc# cat misc
48 android_adb
49 mali
50 network_throughput
51 network_latency
52 cpu_dma_latency
53 xt_qtaguid
54 leds
236 device-mapper
130 watchdog
200 tun
55 lds_motor
56 jiffies
57 uart_lds
58 uart_mcu
237 loop-control
59 sw_sync
60 cuse
229 fuse
61 sunxi-reg
62 cachefiles
63 ion
```

- Can I plant software (y)

- Why is netcat installed but not curl, wget?
- TODO: Check what gets cleared during a format / update

Current Challenges - Equipment

- Electricity is dangerous
- Using personal equipment is not a good idea for a test-bench
- Thank you Gigabyte for having ESD-protected USB ports

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Approach 1 - Filter by date modified

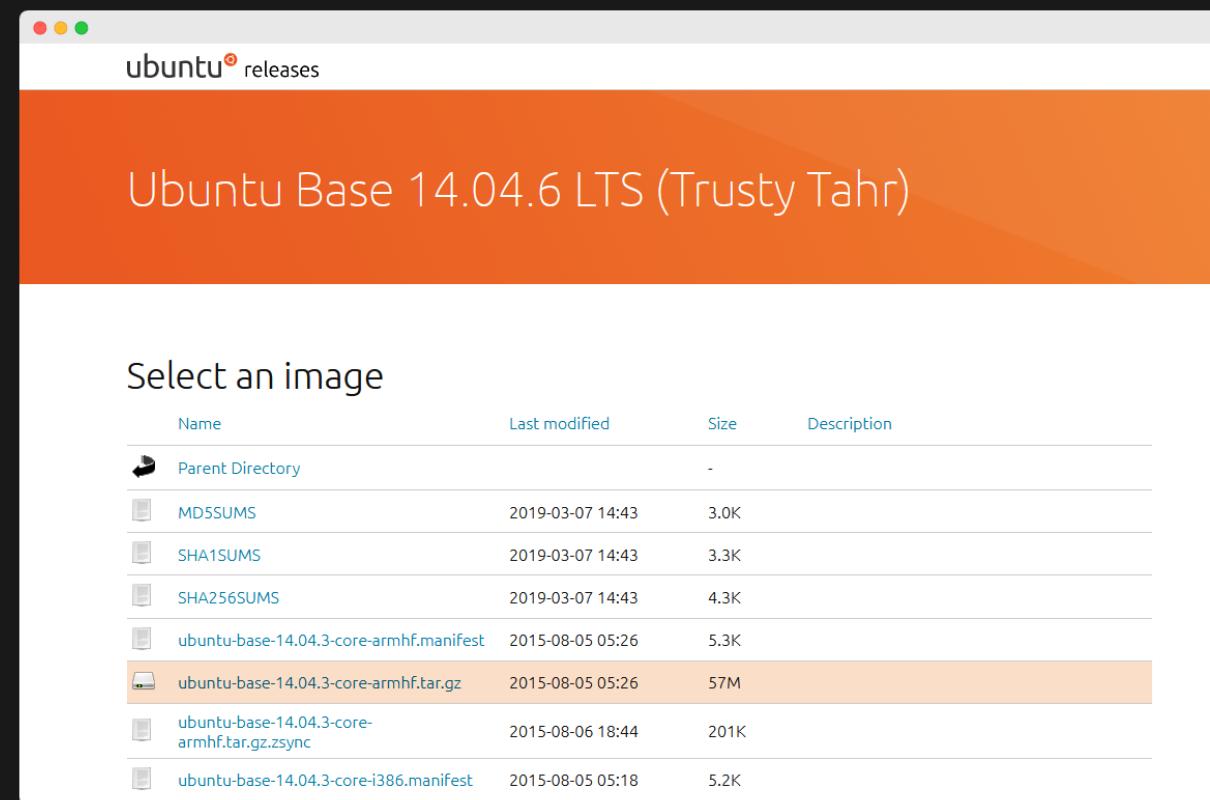
Ubuntu 14.04.3 LTS was released back in 2014, any changes would have a later timestamp

Name	Date modified	Type
nologin	18/03/2022 10:10 PM	.symlink
blkid.tab	18/03/2022 10:10 PM	.symlink
vtrgb	18/03/2022 10:10 PM	.symlink
ld.so.cache	25/03/2020 11:48 PM	CACHE File
OS_VERSION	25/03/2020 11:48 PM	File
subgid	25/03/2020 11:48 PM	File
group	25/03/2020 11:48 PM	File
gshadow	25/03/2020 11:48 PM	File
subuid	25/03/2020 11:48 PM	File
passwd	25/03/2020 11:48 PM	File
os-release	25/03/2020 11:45 PM	File
fstab	25/03/2020 11:44 PM	File
modules	25/03/2020 11:44 PM	File
rc.local	25/03/2020 11:44 PM	LOCAL File
toprc	23/01/2016 5:08 PM	File
mailcap	4/01/2016 5:03 PM	File
dnsmasq.conf	30/12/2015 1:02 PM	CONF File

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Approach 2 - File Comparisons



Compare executable files and find differences in binary function

bindiff, binwalk, ssdeep, sdhash

As seen in [A Large-Scale Analysis of the Security of Embedded Firmwares](#) - Andrei C, Jonas Z, Aur'elien F, Davide B

Retrospective

- Time management / busy / other work
- Could have done more work

Project Timeline

Thesis A

- Initial research and research environment setup
- Teardown and initial hands-on of Roborock S6

Thesis B - Binary Assessment

- Disassembly and analysis of firmware binaries to identify vulnerabilities
 - inc. ADB binary functionality
- Search for unsecured secrets, logs, configurations

Thesis C - Connectivity Assessment

- Inspection of outbound internet traffic - security, PII, etc
- Inspection of local network traffic
- Inspection of interaction with nearby devices
- Protocol analysis

[Static] Binary assessment

In the mean time

Findings

Project Plan

Revised Project Plan

Next Steps

- Dump the firmware and begin RE / forensics
- Redo (and further investigate) live system analysis
 - i.e. Properly capture *all* network traffic

Any Questions?

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