# Rehosting Embedded Devices



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## Embedded Security

- Embedded devices: everywhere
- Their security: terrible (probably)
- Current state of the art: extract firmware, do (mostly) manual static analysis

## Rehosting

- Want to do dynamic analysis: run embedded firmware in PANDA
- QEMU has great CPU support :)
- QEMU has poor peripheral support :(
- Goal: tools to assist creation of embedded device peripheral models in QEMU

#### Trail of Breadcrumbs

- Inspired by Jin & Orso's BugRedux
- Idea: use device output (serial port) to infer "correct" path through program
  - NOTE: Static analysis required!
- Try to solve for unknowns (device inputs) and get an execution that fits path

#### Breadcrumbs

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                                             STMFD
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                                             MOV
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                                                     RO, =aAsicidOxO8x; "asicID=0x%08x\r\n"
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## Device Memory

- I. Execute concretely and gather a trace
- 2. Symbolically re-execute along the same path, making device memory symbolic
- 3. At first node in the path to the next breadcrumb we stop and ask solver for sat. assignment

## Example

```
IN:
                                                0x0005cb08: ldr r0, [pc, #44]
                                                0x0005cb0c: bl 0x5cc24
void OutputDebugChar(int c) {
   // Wait until serial port is ready
   while (ReadDword(0xbd370404) & 0x4 == 0) {
                                               TN:
                                               0x0005cc24: ldr r0, [r0]
       // busy loop
                                               0x0005cc28: bx
                              Symbolic Input
   WriteDword(0xbd370414, c);
                                               TN:
                                     Goal
                                               0 \times 0005 cb10: tst r0, #4; 0 \times 4
                                                0x0005cb14: beq 0x5cb08
```

## Automatically Generated QEMU Devices

## Problems on the Horizon

- Static values in memory are not enough
  - Interrupts (timers, particularly)
  - Complicated devices (HDDs, NICs)

#### Interrupts

- May not even know how to map interrupt -> handler
- How do we know what interrupts are necessary, and when? Try them all when stuck?

## Complicated Devices

- Possibility: find a similar device already implemented by QEMU and make an adaptor
- Any way to do this automatically?