ModScan A SCADA MODBUS Network Scanner

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Agenda

- Brief introduction to SCADA Systems
- ModScan Primer
- The MODBUS Protocol
- MODBUS/TCP
- ModScan Demonstration
- ModScan Project Information
- Q&A

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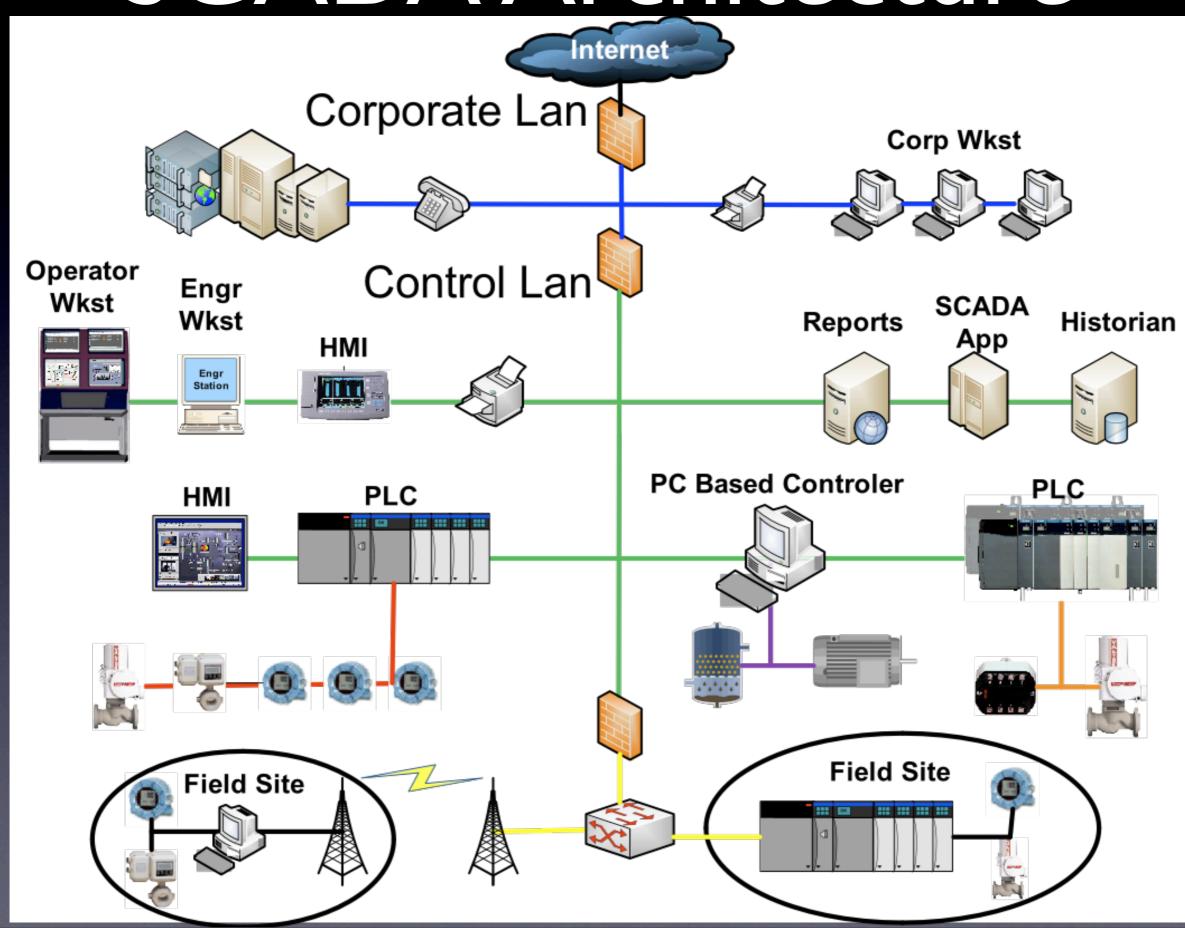
What is SCADA?

- Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition is a system that centrally gathers data in real time from local and remote locations in order to control equipment and conditions.
- Commonly also referred to as Industrial Control Systems (ICS), which is not accurate but close

Where is SCADA?

- Power Generation/Transmission
- Water Treatment/Distribution
- Pipelines
- Traffic Control Systems
- Manufacturing Facilities
- National Infrastructure

SCADA Architecture



What is ModScan?

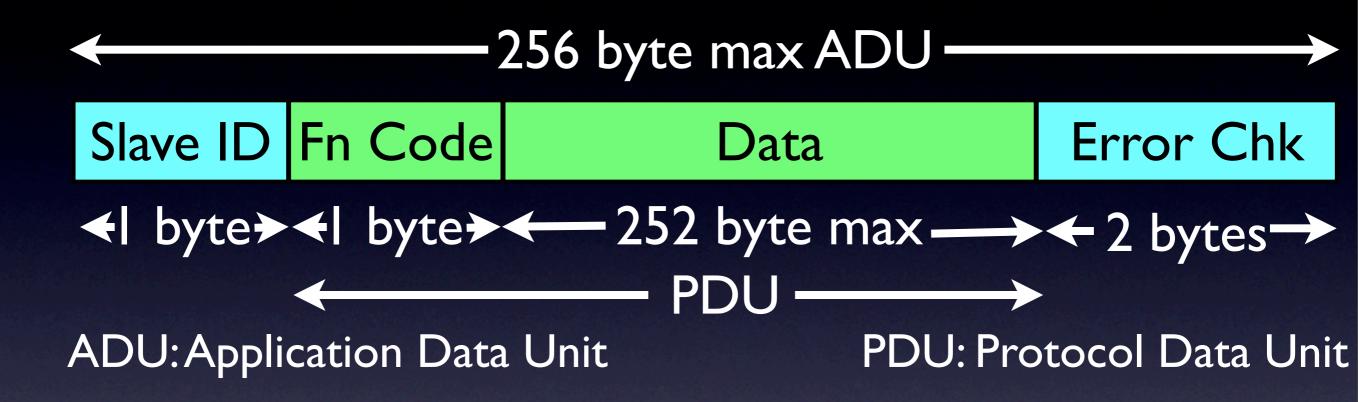
 ModScan is a tool to detect open MODBUS/TCP ports and identify device Slave IDs associated with IP addresses

 ModScan is designed for an administrator or security auditor to be able to accurately reconnoiter a MODBUS/TCP network

The MODBUS Protocol

- About the Protocol
 - Developed in 1979 by Modicon
 - Free and Open Source
 - The most common protocol found in SCADA and ICS networks
 - Registered TCP port is 502
- Flavors
 - Modbus RTU Compact Binary
 - Modbus ASCII Human readable

MODBUS Packet Construction



- Valid Function codes are 1-127
- 256 byte maximum packet size
- Big-Endian encoding
- Error Check is CRC/LRC

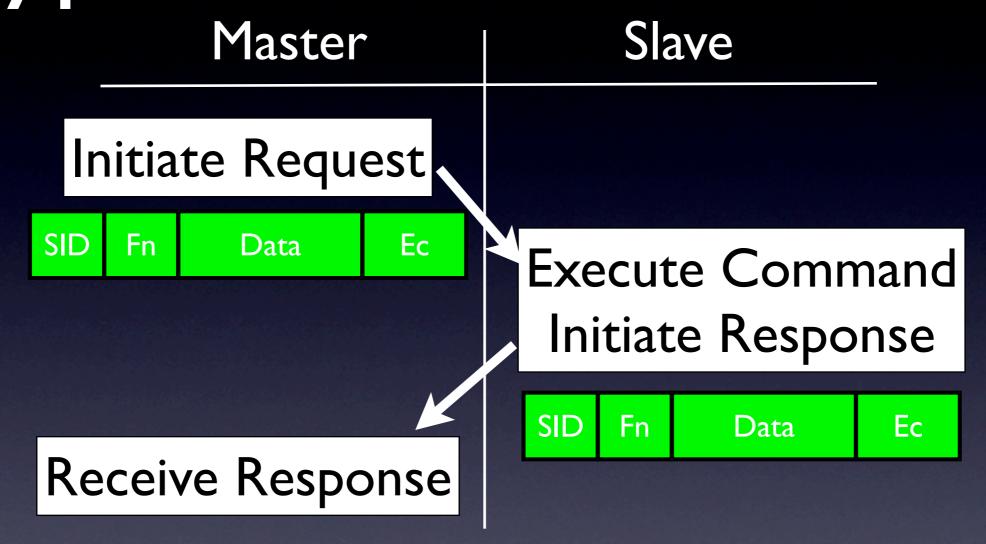
Function Codes

Function Code	Description
01	Read Coils
02	Read Discretes
03	Read Holding Registers
04	Read Input Registers
05	Write Coil
06	Write Register
07	Read Exception Status
08	Diagnostics
0B	Get Comm Event Counter
0C	Get Comm Event Log
0F	Write Multiple Coils
10	Write Multiple Registers
11	Report Slave ID
14	Read File Record
15	Write File Record
16	Mask Write Register
17	Read/Write Multiple Registers
18	Read FIFO Que

Diagnostic Codes

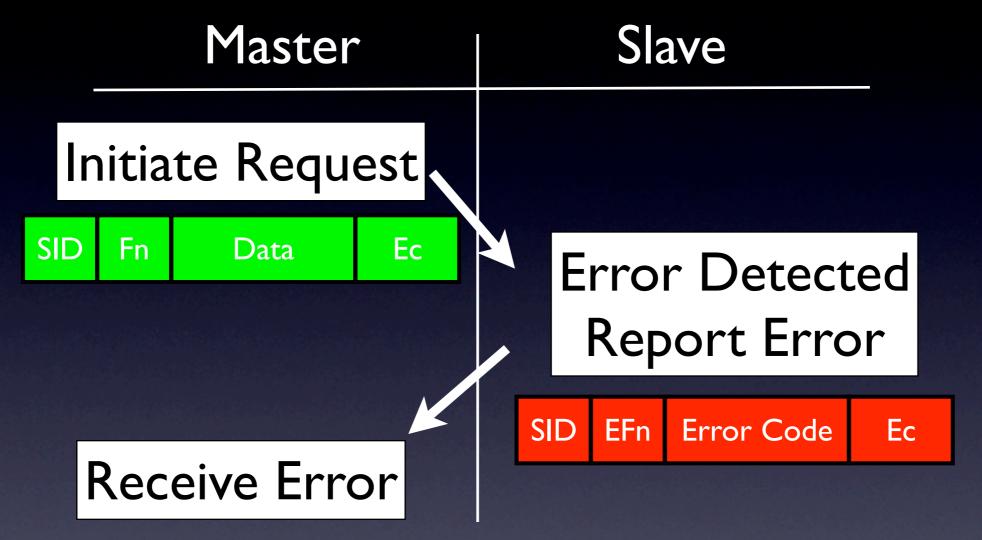
Function Code	Description
00	Return Query Data
01	Restart Communication
02	Return Diagnostic Register
03	Change ASCII Input Delimiter
04	Force Listen Only Mode
05-09	Reserved
0A	Clear Counters and Diagnostic Reg.
0B	Return Bus Message Count
0C	Return Bus Communication Error Count
0D	Return Bus Exception Error Count
0E	Return Slave Message Count
0F	Return Slave No Response Count
10	Return Slave NAK Count
11	Return Slave Busy Count
12	Return Bus Character Overrun Count
13	Reserved
14	Clear Overrun Counter and Flag
16+	Reserved

Typical Communication



- Modbus is a Master/Slave Serial Protocol
- Only Masters can initiate conversation

Error Communication



- Error Function = 0x80 + Function Code
- Error Codes defined in specification

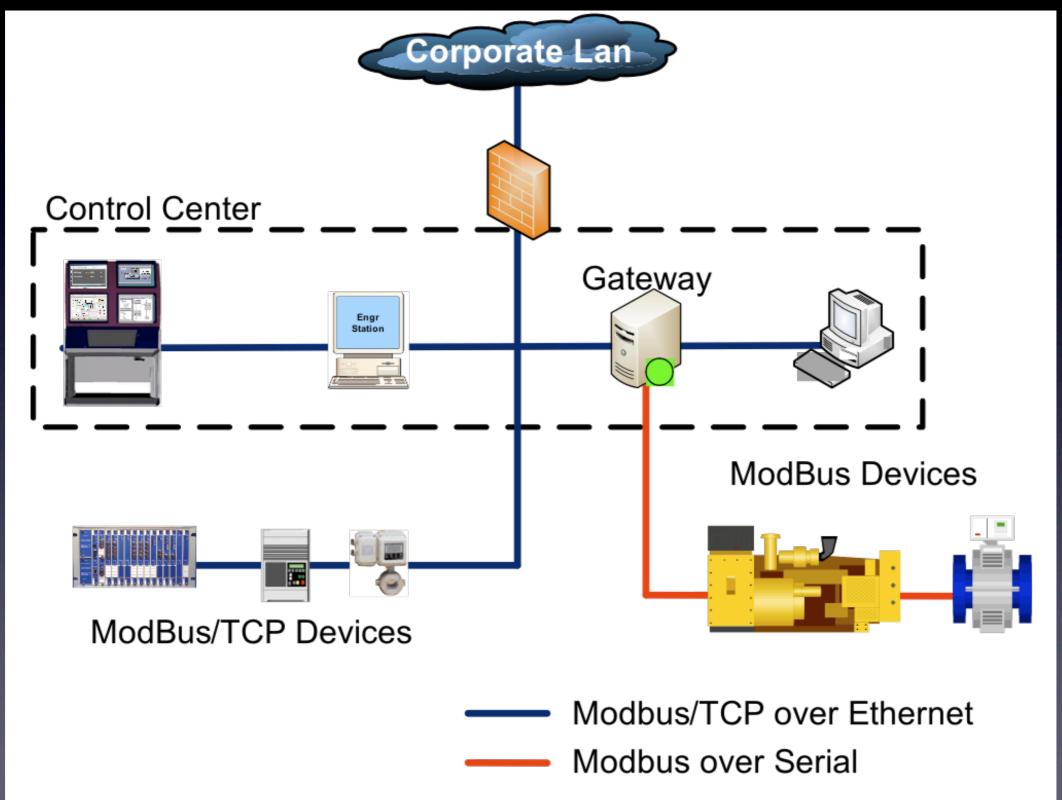
Modbus Notes

- Addressing
 - Valid Slave IDs 1-247
 - Slave ID must be unique per bus
 - Masters do not have to have an address
 - Slaves will error when improperly addressed
- Communication
 - One request on the line at a time
 - Masters must wait for responses

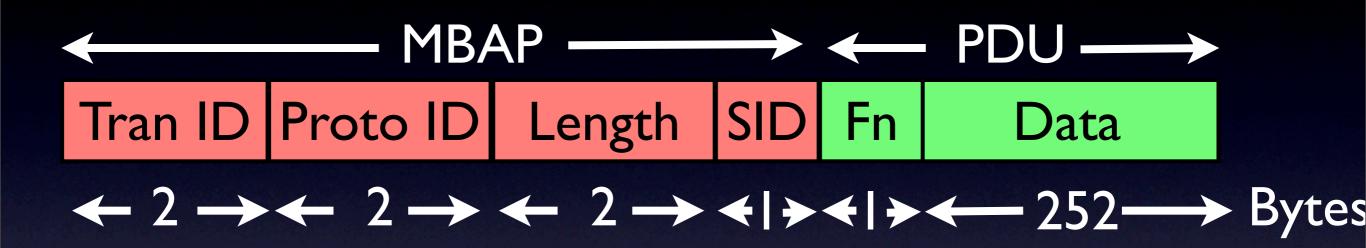
ModBus/TCP

- ModBus protocol wrapped in TCP Goodness
- Checksum dropped
- Introduction of Gateways
- Port 502 is reserved for Modbus/TCP
- Basic protocol is unchanged

ModBus/TCP Architecture



ModBus/TCP Packet



- MBAP: MODBUS Application Protocol Header
- PDU remains the same from the MODBUS spec
- Protocol ID is always 0x0000
- Big-Endian encoding

Example Request

Tran ID Proto ID Len SID FN Diag Code Data

- Request sent by Master
- Request is to Slave 01 Fn 8 Diagnostics
- Diagnostic code 00 for "Return Query Data"

Example Response

```
0000
                    45
                       00 00
                                                  06 00 00
                                                               . . . . E. . @ = . @. @. . .
             00
                00
                             40
                                        40
                                            00
                                               40
0010
                          00
                             01
                                               30 ce 2e c4
                                                               0020
                       18 ff ff
                                                  01 08 0a
                                                              A. N. . . . . . 4. . . . . .
0030
                   21 b9 fe 12
                                        00 00
                                                  06 01
0040
         00 05
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Tran ID Proto ID Len SID FN Diag Code Data

- Response sent by slave
- Request is to Slave 01 Fn 8 Diagnostics
- Diagnostic code 00 for "Return Query Data"
- Identical to Request

Error Request

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0000
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                 99
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0010
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                                                    4e c3 f8
                           00 01
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0020
             89 dc 80 18 ff ff
                                                                 \...... .2....
                                          00 00 01 01 08 0a
0030
          ba 60 c4 21 ba 60 c4
                                             00 00
                                                    02
0040
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Tran ID Proto ID Len SID FN Bad Diag Code

- Request is to Slave 01 Fn 8 Diagnostics
- Diagnostic code FF sent

Error Response

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10000
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                      45 00 00 3d
                                         fa 40
                                                    40
                                                        06
                  00
                                                 99
|0010|
                             00
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10020
                     80 18 ff ff
                                                00
       21 ba 60 c4 21 ba 60 c4
                                                -00
10030
                                             00
0040
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Tran ID Proto ID Len SID FN Error Code (data)

- Function code is 0x88 or 0x08 + 0x80
- Specific Error codes are returned in data field
- Error 0x03 is Illegal data value

Errors are the Key

- When an improper SID is sent
 - The slave will not respond
 - The slave will respond with FN+0x80
- When a proper SID is sent
 - The slave will respond with a valid response

This forms the basis for mapping

ModScan

- Modscan Scans the IP range provided for open TCP 502
- When an open port is found it finds the SID via brute force
- By default it stops after first discovered SID

Output in "IP:Port\tSID" format

Options

- -p PORT (502)
- -t TIMEOUT socket timeout (100 mills)
- -a --aggressive Aggressive Mode
- -f FUNCTION MODBUS Function Code (17)
- --data Data for use with -f
- -v, -d Verbose, Debug

ModScan Demonstration

- Scanning our sample network
- A look at a pcap
- Demo of additional Options

ModScan Project

• http://modscan.googlecode.com

- Uses
 - Network Enumeration
 - IDS/Network Monitoring Test
 - Asset Management
 - Bulk Commands

Known Issues

- Really, Really Noisy
 - Port Scanning bits are not efficient
 - Brute forcing SIDs is noisy
- Does not interpret Error Codes or responses
- Can generate false negatives

Planned Enhancements

- Interpret Error Codes
- Implement with SCAPY
- Additional Protocol Support
- Device Fingerprinting

Anything cool someone suggests....

References & Thanks

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