

DE MYSTERIIS DOM JOBSIVS: MAC EFI ROOTKITS

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THIS GUY'S TOO TRUSTWORTHY WHAT'S HIS ANGLE?

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AGENDA

► Things I will talk about

- I. Introduction - goals, concepts & prior work
- II. EFI fundamentals
- III. Doing bad things with EFI
- IV. Persistence
- V. Evil maid attacks
- VI. Defence against the dark arts



I. INTRODUCTION



INTRODUCTION

I WANT A COOL BOOT SCREEN ON MY MAC

► Why are we here?

- I wanted to mess with pre-boot graphics (seriously)
- Minimal knowledge of firmware / bootloader
- Did some research...
- Wait a minute, backdooring firmware would be badass
- But, of course, it's been done before...



INTRODUCTION

PRIOR ART

► Other work in this area

- Old MBR viruses
- ...
- John Heasman @ Black Hat '07 (badass talk on EFI)
- Core Security @ CanSecWest '09 (BIOS infection)
- Invisible Things @ Black Hat '09 (Intel UEFI BIOS)
- endrazine @ Black Hat 2012 (BIOS/Coreboot)
- and more...



INTRODUCTION

GOALS

- ▶ Backdoor a machine
 - ▶ Preferably without evidence on-disk
 - ▶ Persist forever?
 - ▶ Across reboots, reinstalls, disk replacement, heat death of the universe
 - ▶ Patch the kernel at boot time
 - ▶ Work regardless of whole-disk encryption
- ▶ Sound hard?
 - ▶ Nah
 - ▶ (OK yeah, kinda)



III. EFI FUNDAMENTALS



WHAT'S AN EFI? AND WHY DO I CARE?

► BIOS replacement

- Initially developed at Intel
- Designed to overcome limitations of PC BIOS
- “Intel Boot Initiative”
- Used in all Intel Macs - now I care
- Used on lots of PC mobos as UEFI
 - With Compatibility Support Module (CSM) for BIOS emulation

► UEFI?

- Handed over to Unified EFI Consortium @ v1.10
- Apple's version reports as v1.10



EFI ARCHITECTURE

PUTTING THE “SUCK” IN “FUNDAMENTALS”!

► Modular

- Comprises core components, apps, drivers, bootloaders
- Core components reside on firmware
 - Along with some drivers
- Applications & 3rd party drivers
 - Reside on disk
 - Or on firmware data flash
 - Or on option ROMs on PCI devices



EFI ARCHITECTURE TERMINOLOGY

- ▶ Tables - pointers to functions & EFI data
 - ▶ System table
 - ▶ Pointers to core functions & other tables
 - ▶ Boot services table
 - ▶ Functions available during EFI environment - useful!
 - ▶ Memory allocation
 - ▶ Registering for timers and callbacks
 - ▶ Installing/managing protocols
 - ▶ Loading other executable images



EFI ARCHITECTURE TERMINOLOGY

- ▶ Tables - pointers to functions & EFI data
 - ▶ Runtime services table
 - ▶ Functions available during pre-boot & while OS is running
 - ▶ Time services
 - ▶ Virtual memory - converting addresses from physical
 - ▶ Resetting system
 - ▶ Capsule management
 - ▶ Variables (we will use this)
 - ▶ NVRAM on the Mac - boot device is stored here
 - ▶ Configuration table
 - ▶ Pointers to data structures for access from OS
 - ▶ Custom runtime services



EFI ARCHITECTURE

DEVELOPING FOR EFI

- ▶ EDK2 - EFI Development Kit
 - ▶ Includes “TianoCore” - Intel’s reference implementation
 - ▶ Most of what Apple uses
 - ▶ And probably most other IBVs
 - ▶ Written in C
 - ▶ Builds PE executables
 - ▶ >2mil lines of code in *.c/*.h
 - ▶ Compared to ~1.1mil in XNU
 - ▶ `find . \(` -name "*.c" -o -name "*.h" \)` |xargs cat |wc -l`
 - ▶ (not very scientific, whatever)
- ▶ Spec is 2156 pages long at v2.3.1



EFI ARCHITECTURE

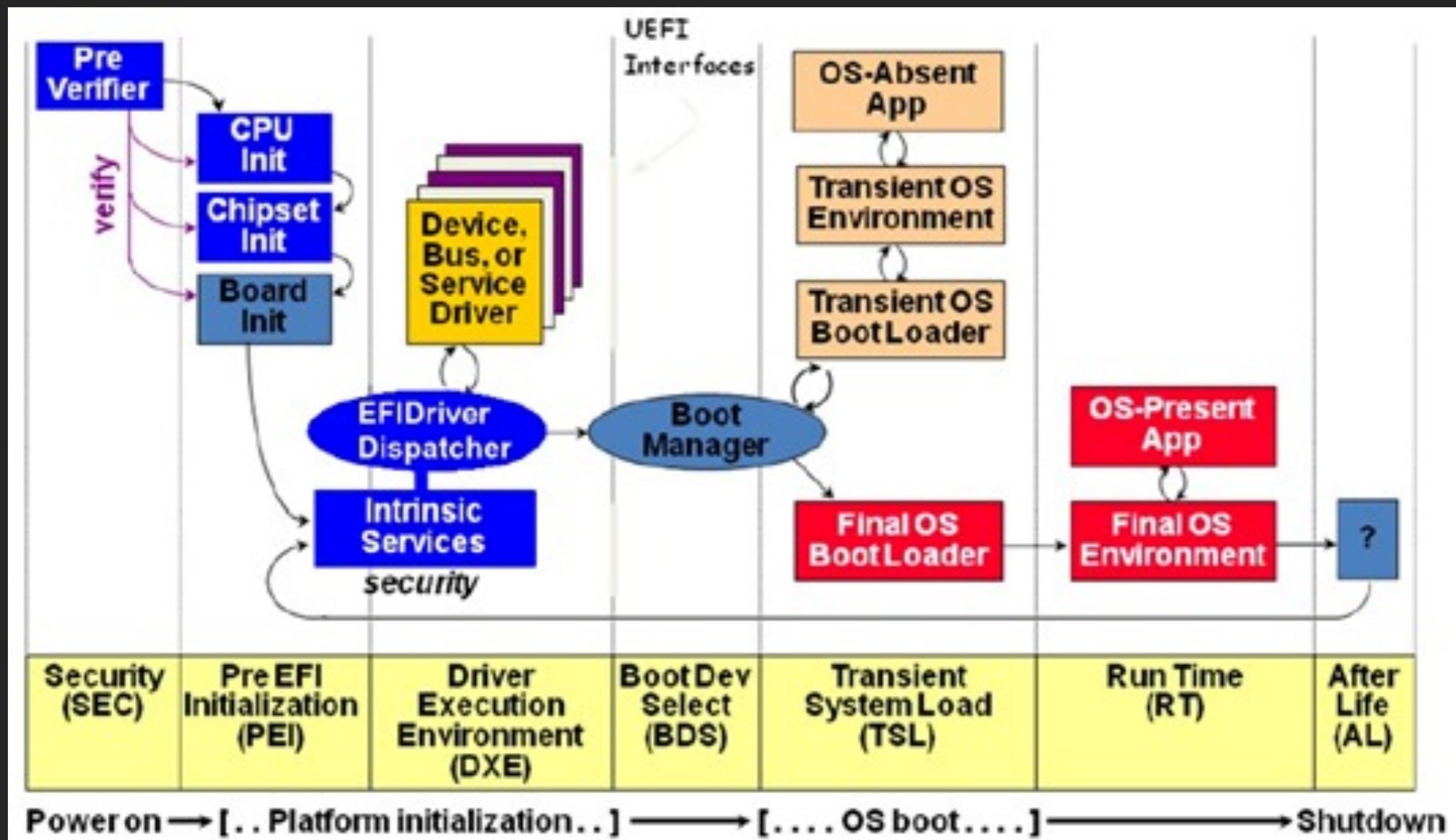
STATS

- ▶ Some telling examples of defined protocols
 - ▶ Disk/filesystem access, console input/output
 - ▶ Graphics Output Protocol (graphical console)
 - ▶ Human Interface Infrastructure (UI forms!)
 - ▶ IPv4, IPv6, TCP, UDP, IPSEC, ARP, DHCP, FTP, TFTP
 - ▶ User management, SHA crypto, key management...
 - ▶ Heaps more
- ▶ Starting to sound like an entire OS



EFI ARCHITECTURE

BOOT PROCESS



Token shitty, low res diagram stolen from documentation

REVERSING EFI KINDA SUCKS

- ▶ No dynamic linking/loading for EFI modules
- ▶ Entry point is passed pointers to tables
- ▶ All API functionality is provided through tables
- ▶ Protocols are accessed via Boot Services functions
- ▶ I wrote some helper scripts for IDA Pro
- ▶ <https://github.com/snarez/ida-efiutils>



REVERSING EFI KINDA SUCKS

```
loc_337F:
mov    [rbp+var_34], 0
mov    [rbp+var_38], 0
mov    [rbp+var_C8], 6
mov    rax, cs:qword_79A28
lea    rcx, [rbp+var_38]
mov    [rsp+1B0h+var_190], rcx
lea    rcx, aR           ; "R"
lea    rdx, dword_76014
lea    r9, [rbp+var_C8]
xor   r8d, r8d
call  qword ptr [rax+48h]
test  rax, rax
jns   short loc_33F5
```

```
loc_337F:
mov    [rbp+var_34], 0
mov    [rbp+var_38], 0
mov    [rbp+var_C8], 6
mov    rax, cs:gRuntimeServices
lea    rcx, [rbp+var_38]
mov    [rsp+1B0h+var_190], rcx
lea    rcx, aR           ; "R"
lea    rdx, dword_76014
lea    r9, [rbp+var_C8]
xor   r8d, r8d
call  [rax+EFI_RUNTIME_SERVICES.GetVariable]
test  rax, rax
jns   short loc_33F5
```

```
loc_337F:
mov    rax, cs:qword_79A28
mov    ecx, 0FFFFF01h
mov    [rsp+1B0h+var_190], rcx
lea    rcx, aR           ; "R"
lea    rdx, dword_76014
mov    r8d, 6
mov    r9d, 6
call  qword ptr [rax+58h]
```

```
loc_337F:
mov    rax, cs:gRuntimeServices
mov    ecx, 0FFFFF01h
mov    [rsp+1B0h+var_190], rcx
lea    rcx, aR           ; "R"
lea    rdx, dword_76014
mov    r8d, 6
mov    r9d, 6
call  [rax+EFI_RUNTIME_SERVICES.SetVariable]
```



REVERSING EFI KINDA SUCKS

```
qword_76688 dq 4A3823DC9042A9DEh, 6A5180D0DE7AFB96h
                ; DATA XREF: sub_
                ; sub_8354+3E1o .
qword_76698 dq 11D295625B1B31A1h, 3B7269C9A0003F8Eh
                ; DATA XREF: sub_
                ; sub_1EADB+521o
qword_766A8 dq 11D2954C56EC3091h, 3B7269C9A0003F8Eh
                ; DATA XREF: sub_
qword_766B8 dq 11D26459964E5B22h, 3B7269C9A000398Eh
                ; DATA XREF: sub_
                ; sub_171C4+1E31o
qword_766C8 dq 11D50B7531878C87h, 4DC13F2790004F9Ah
                ; DATA XREF: sub_
                ; sub_1EBC6+491o
qword_766D8 dq 41CBF4FA982C298Bh, 39B88F68AA7738B8h
                ; DATA XREF: sub_
                ; sub_1D1E3+711o
qword_766E8 dq 4C12012EF42F7782h, 21F70443F9495699h
                ; DATA XREF: sub_
qword_766F8 dq 444F506C7AA35A69h, 0C8716FF54B69AFA7h
                ; DATA XREF: sub_
qword_76708 dq 49016E735B213447h, 72A1B7F364B8F1A4h
                ; DATA XREF: sub_
                ; sub_1FC02+101o
```



```
gEfiGraphicsOutputProtocolGuid dq 4A3823DC9042A9DEh, 6A5180D0DE7AFB96h
                ; DATA XREF: sub_723F+2F1o
                ; sub_8354+3E1o ...
gEfiLoadedImageProtocolGuid dq 11D295625B1B31A1h, 3B7269C9A0003F8Eh
                ; DATA XREF: sub_2F0E+191o
                ; sub_1EADB+521o
gEfiLoadFileProtocolGuid dq 11D2954C56EC3091h, 3B7269C9A0003F8Eh
                ; DATA XREF: sub_2F0E+3281o
gEfiSimpleFileSystemProtocolGuid dq 11D26459964E5B22h, 3B7269C9A000398Eh
                ; DATA XREF: sub_2F0E+1351o
                ; sub_171C4+1E31o ...
gEfiSimplePointerProtocolGuid dq 11D50B7531878C87h, 4DC13F2790004F9Ah
                ; DATA XREF: sub_199D4+5E81o
                ; sub_1EBC6+491o ...
gEfiUgaDrawProtocolGuid dq 41CBF4FA982C298Bh, 39B88F68AA7738B8h
                ; DATA XREF: sub_723F+651o
                ; sub_1D1E3+711o ...
gEfiConsoleControlProtocolGuid dq 4C12012EF42F7782h, 21F70443F9495699h
                ; DATA XREF: sub_88C3+4E1o
gEfiFirmwareVolumeDispatchProtocolGuid dq 444F506C7AA35A69h, 0C8716FF54
                ; DATA XREF: sub_C5F7+2791o
qword_76708 dq 49016E735B213447h, 72A1B7F364B8F1A4h
                ; DATA XREF: sub_C5F7+871o
                ; sub_1FC02+101o
```



REVERSING EFI KINDA SUCKS

```
00000C804 mov    rax, cs:gBootServices
00000C80B lea    rcx, [rbp+var_80]
00000C80F mov    [rsp+140h+var_120], rcx
00000C814 lea    rbx, gEfiFirmwareVolumeProtocolGuid
00000C81B xor    edi, edi
00000C81D lea    r9, [rbp+var_88]
00000C824 mov    ecx, 2
00000C829 mov    rdx, rbx
00000C82C mov    r13, rbx
00000C82F xor    r8d, r8d
00000C832 call   [rax+EFI_BOOT_SERVICES.LocateHandleBuffer]
00000C838 lea    rsi, [rbp+var_78]
00000C83C lea    r15, [rbp+var_5C]
00000C840 lea    r12, [rbp+var_5D]
00000C844 lea    r14, dword_7645C
00000C84B lea    rbx, [rbp+var_68]
00000C84F jmp    short loc_C854
```

```
0000000000000000C854
0000000000000000C854 loc_C854:
0000000000000000C854 cmp    rdi, [rbp+var_88]
0000000000000000C85B jnb    loc_C971
```

```
0000000000000000C861 mov    rax, [rbp+var_80]
0000000000000000C865 mov    rcx, [rax+rdi*8]
0000000000000000C869 mov    rax, cs:gBootServices
0000000000000000C870 lea    rdx, gEfiFirmwareVolumeDispatchProtocolGuid
0000000000000000C877 mov    r8, rsi
0000000000000000C87A call   [rax+EFI_BOOT_SERVICES.HandleProtocol]
```



III. DOING BAD THINGS WITH EFI



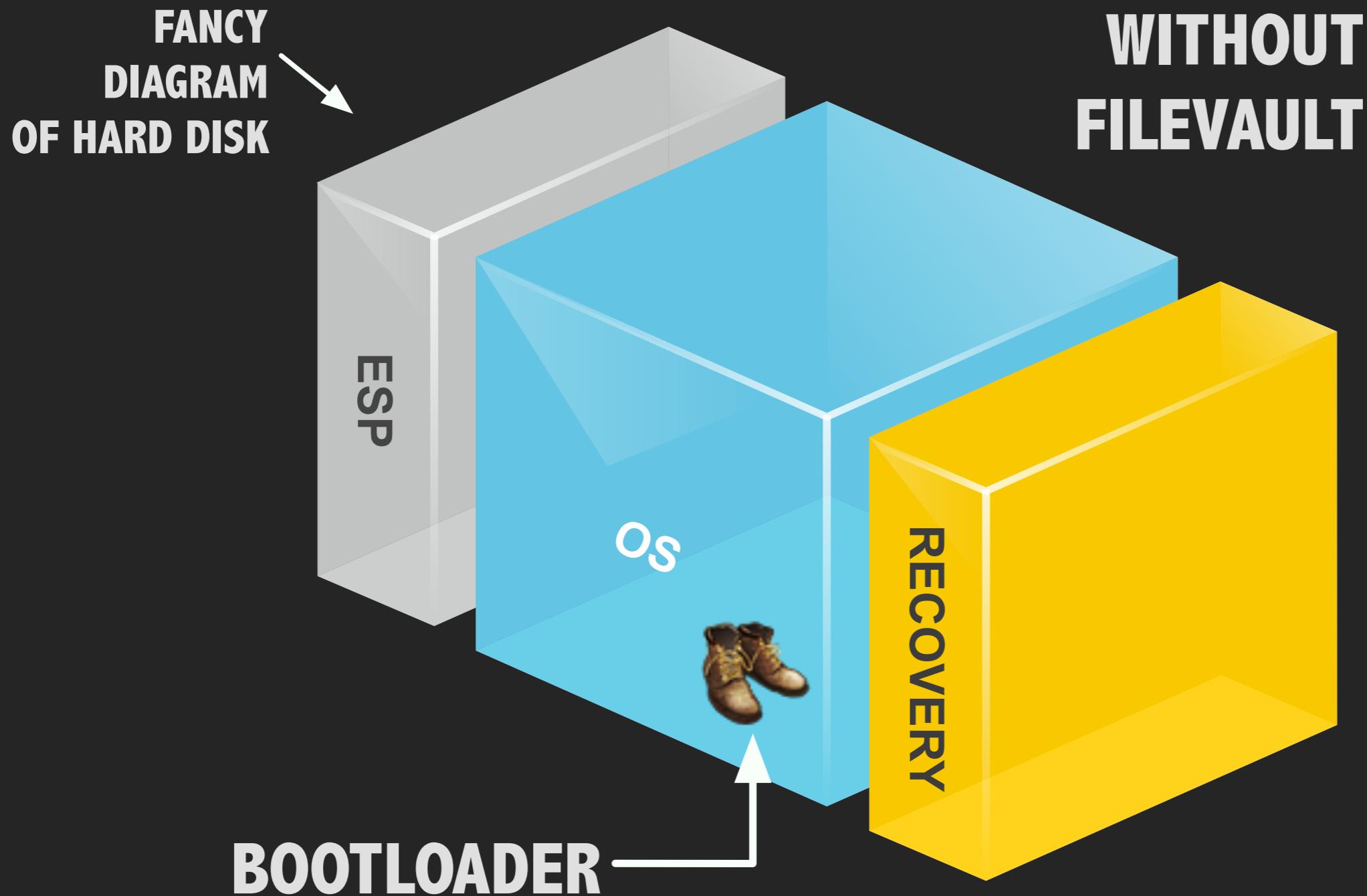
DOING BAD THINGS WITH EFI

WHAT CAN WE DO?

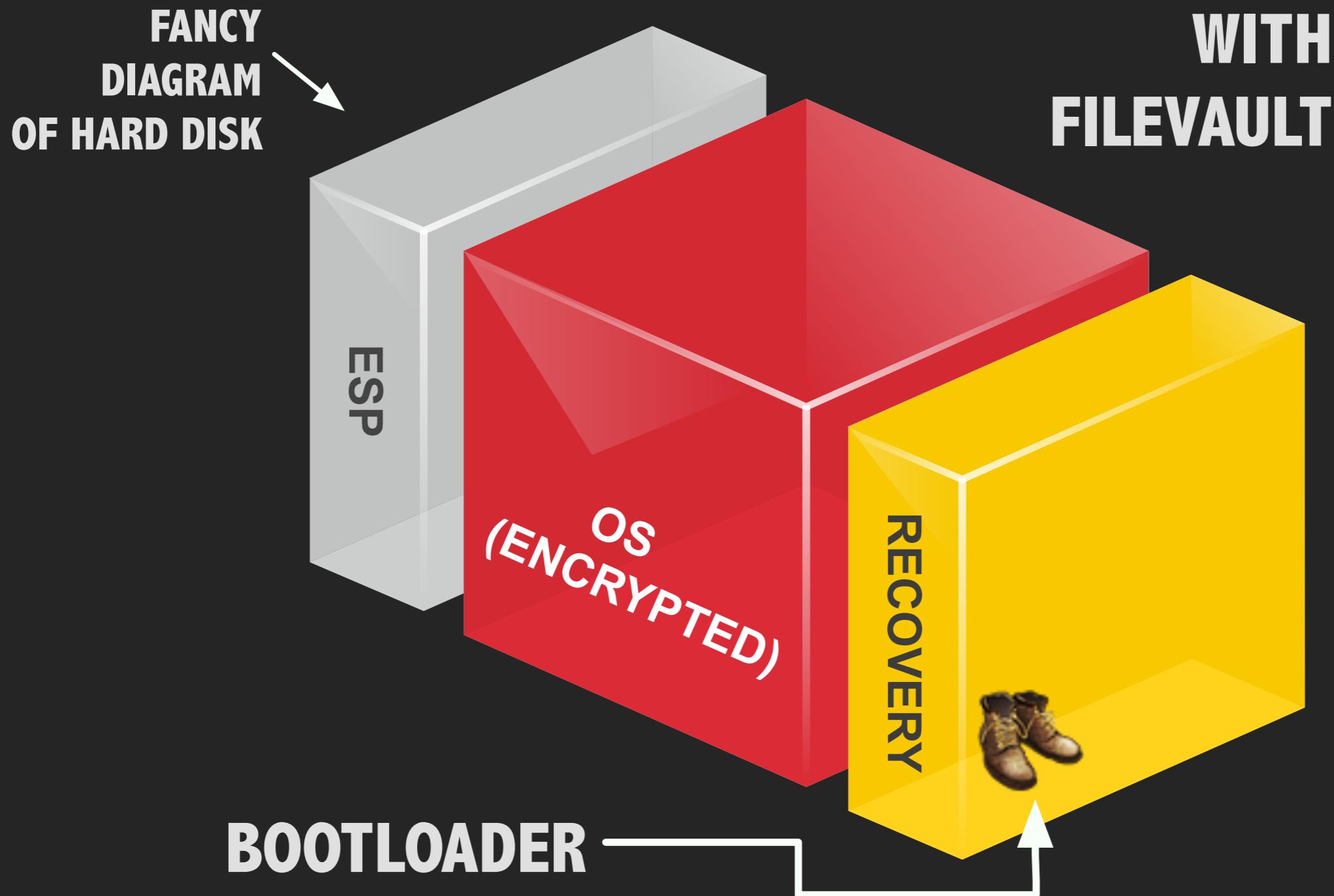
- ▶ Modularity & SDK makes it pretty easy
 - ▶ Build a rogue driver
 - ▶ Get loaded early on
 - ▶ Register callbacks
 - ▶ Hook Boot Services/Runtime Services
 - ▶ Hook various protocols
- ▶ No awful 16-bit real-mode assembly necessary
- ▶ Generic interface - minimal platform-specific stuff



DOING BAD THINGS WITH EFI ATTACKING WHOLE-DISK ENCRYPTION



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- ▶ Boot process with FileVault
 - ▶ Platform firmware inits
 - ▶ Loads bootloader from “recovery” partition
 - ▶ Bootloader prompts user for passphrase
 - ▶ Uses passphrase to unlock disk
 - ▶ Execute kernel



DOING BAD THINGS WITH EFI ATTACKING WHOLE-DISK ENCRYPTION

- ▶ Stealing the user's passphrase
 - ▶ Keystroke logger!
 - ▶ Hook the Simple Text Input protocol
 - ▶ Specifically, the instance installed by the bootloader on the console device handle
 - ▶ Replace pointer to ReadKeyStroke() with our function
 - ▶ Every time a key is pressed, we get called
 - ▶ Record keystroke, call real ReadKeyStroke()



DOING BAD THINGS WITH EFI ATTACKING WHOLE-DISK ENCRYPTION

- ▶ Steal the AES key
 - ▶ Hook LoadImage() function in Boot Services
 - ▶ Patch the bootloader when it is loaded
 - ▶ Shouldn't be toooooo hard...

```
aStartUnlockcor db 'Start UnlockCoreStorageVolumeKey',0
                  ; DATA XREF: start+481↑o
                  align 8
aEndUnlockcores db 'End UnlockCoreStorageVolumeKey',0
                  ; DATA XREF: start+49F↑o
                  align 8
```

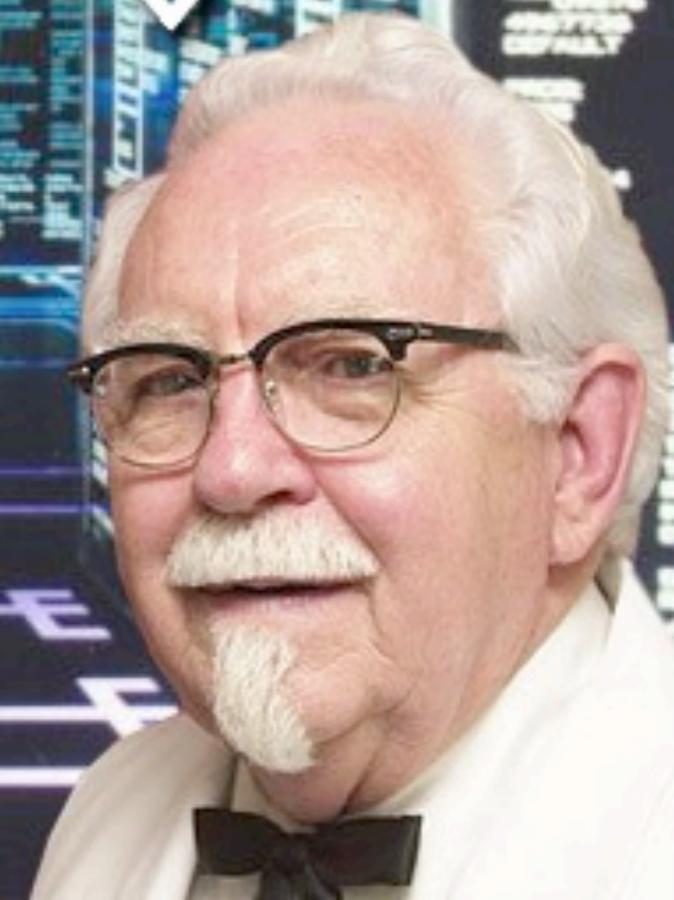
(thanks for the debug logging, Apple)



THEY'RE GOING AFTER THE KERNEL!



OTTERZ?
IN MY
KERNEL?



ATTACKING THE KERNEL

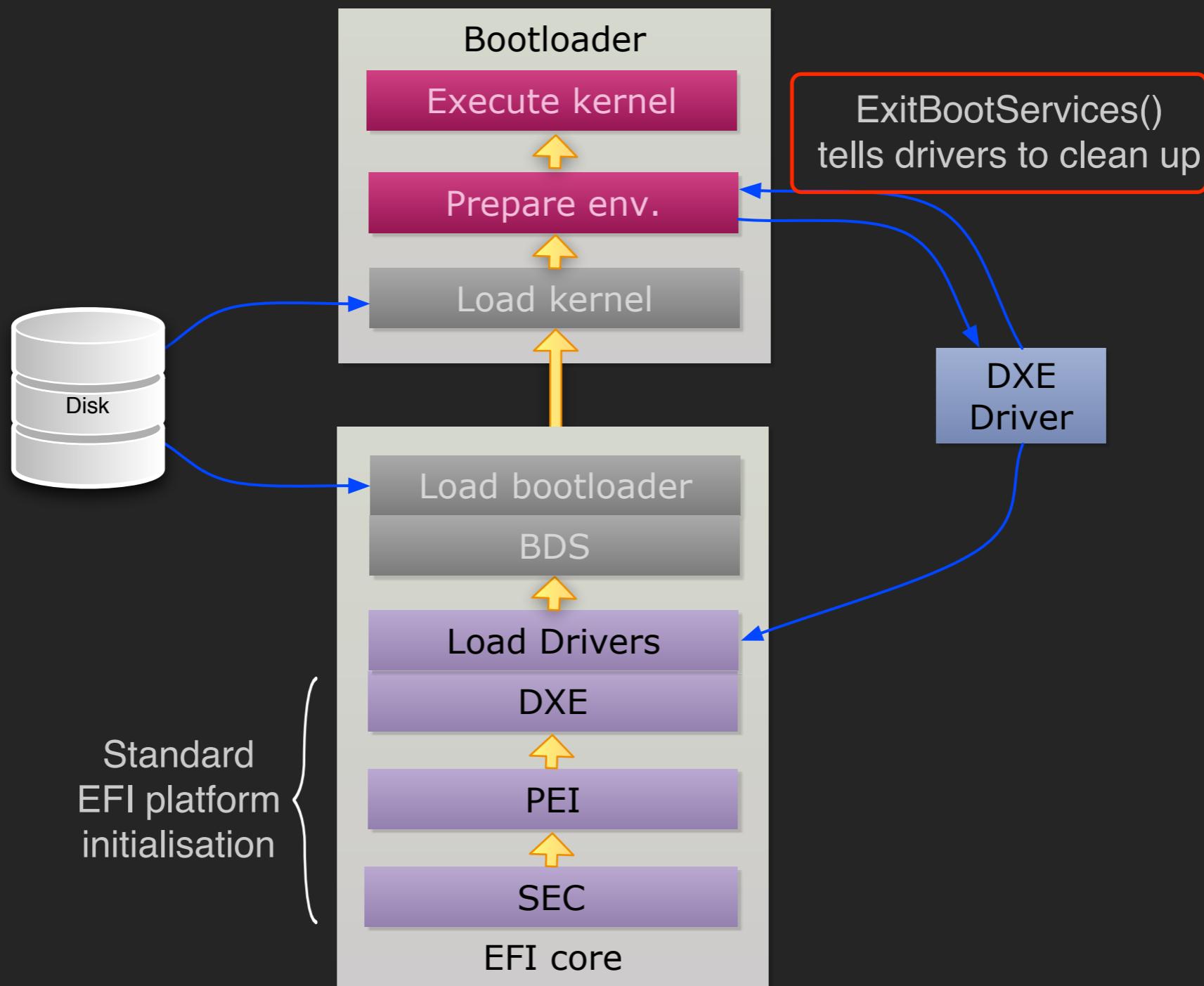
WHAT CAN WE DO?

- ▶ Patch the kernel from EFI
 - ▶ Find some place to put code
 - ▶ Hook some kernel functionality
 - ▶ Get execution during kernel init
 - ▶ Party
- ▶ It's not loaded when we get loaded
 - ▶ So how do we trojan the kernel?
 - ▶ Wait until it is loaded, then POUNCE
 - ▶ ExitBootServices()



ATTACKING THE KERNEL

EFI BOOT PROCESS



ATTACKING THE KERNEL

WHERE IS IT?

Start of kernel image is at `0xfffffff8000200000`

```
$ otool -l /mach_kernel  
/mach_kernel:  
Load command 0  
    cmd LC_SEGMENT_64  
    cmdsize 472  
    segname __TEXT  
    vmaddr 0xfffffff8000200000  
    vmsize 0x0000000000052e000
```

First kernel segment VM load addr



```
gdb$ x/x 0xfffffff8000200000  
0xfffffff8000200000: 0xfeedfacf
```

Mach-O header magic number (64-bit)



ATTACKING THE KERNEL

PATCHING THE KERNEL

- ▶ We know the kernel is at `0xfffffff8000200000`
 - ▶ EFI uses a flat 32-bit memory model without paging
 - ▶ In 32-bit mode its at `0x00200000`
- ▶ What do we do?
 - ▶ Inject a payload somewhere
 - ▶ Patch a kernel function and point it at the payload
 - ▶ Trampoline payload to load bigger second stage?
 - ▶ From an EFI variable
 - ▶ From previously-allocated Runtime Services memory
 - ▶ Over the network

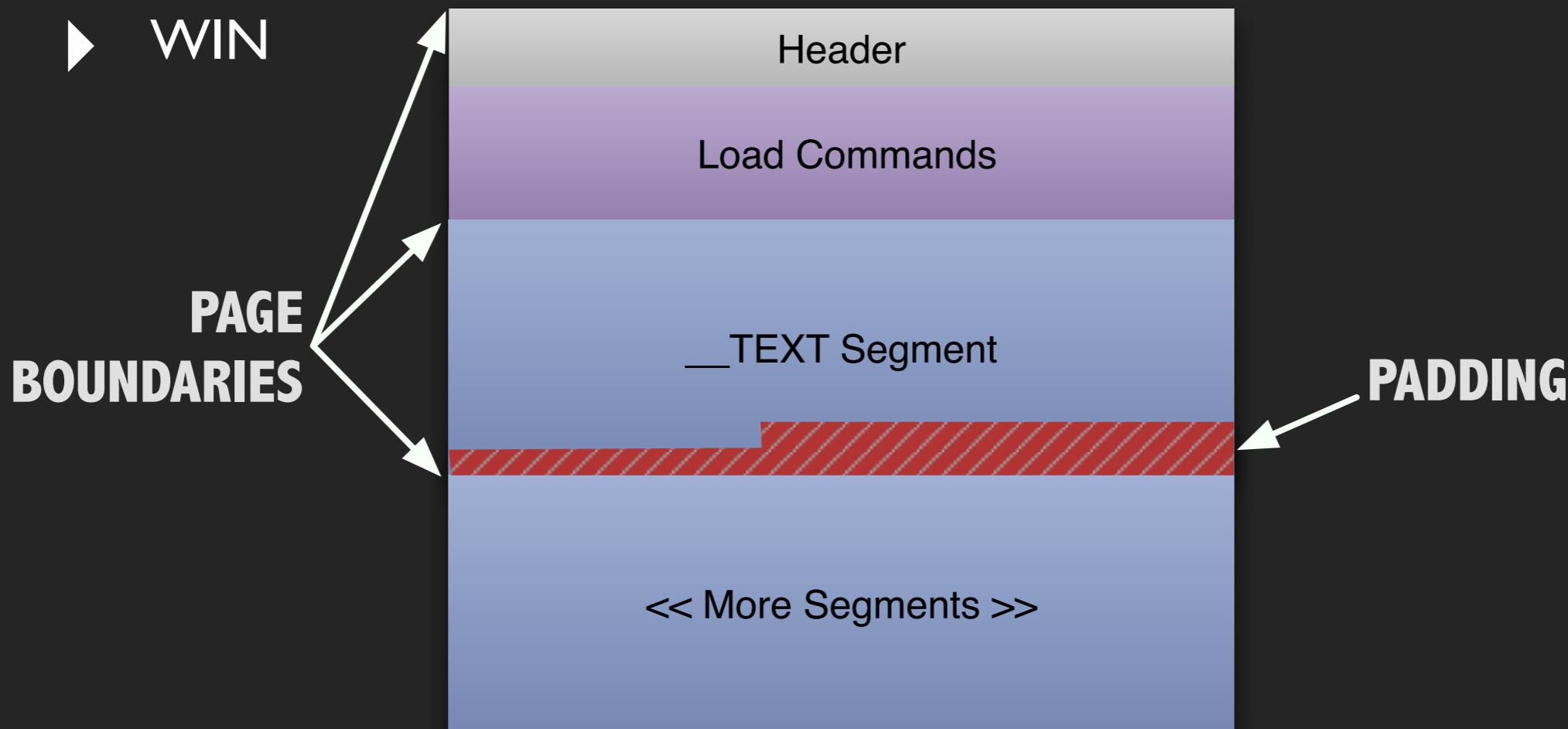


ATTACKING THE KERNEL

PATCHING THE KERNEL

► Where can we put our payload?

- Page-alignment padding
- End of the `__TEXT` segment
- On the default 10.7.3 kernel, almost an entire 4k page
- WIN



ATTACKING THE KERNEL

PATCHING THE KERNEL

- ▶ OK, so
 - ▶ We have been called by ExitBootServices()
 - ▶ We know where we can store a payload
 - ▶ And how much space we have
 - ▶ What do we put there?
 - ▶ And how do we get it called during kernel init?



ATTACKING THE KERNEL

PATCHING THE KERNEL

► How do we get it called?

- We patch a function in the kernel's boot process
- `load_init_program()` is a good candidate
 - Kernel subsystems are mostly initialised
 - We're ready to exec the init process
- Save the first instruction in the function, store in payload
- Overwrite it with a jump to our payload



ATTACKING THE KERNEL

PATCHING THE KERNEL

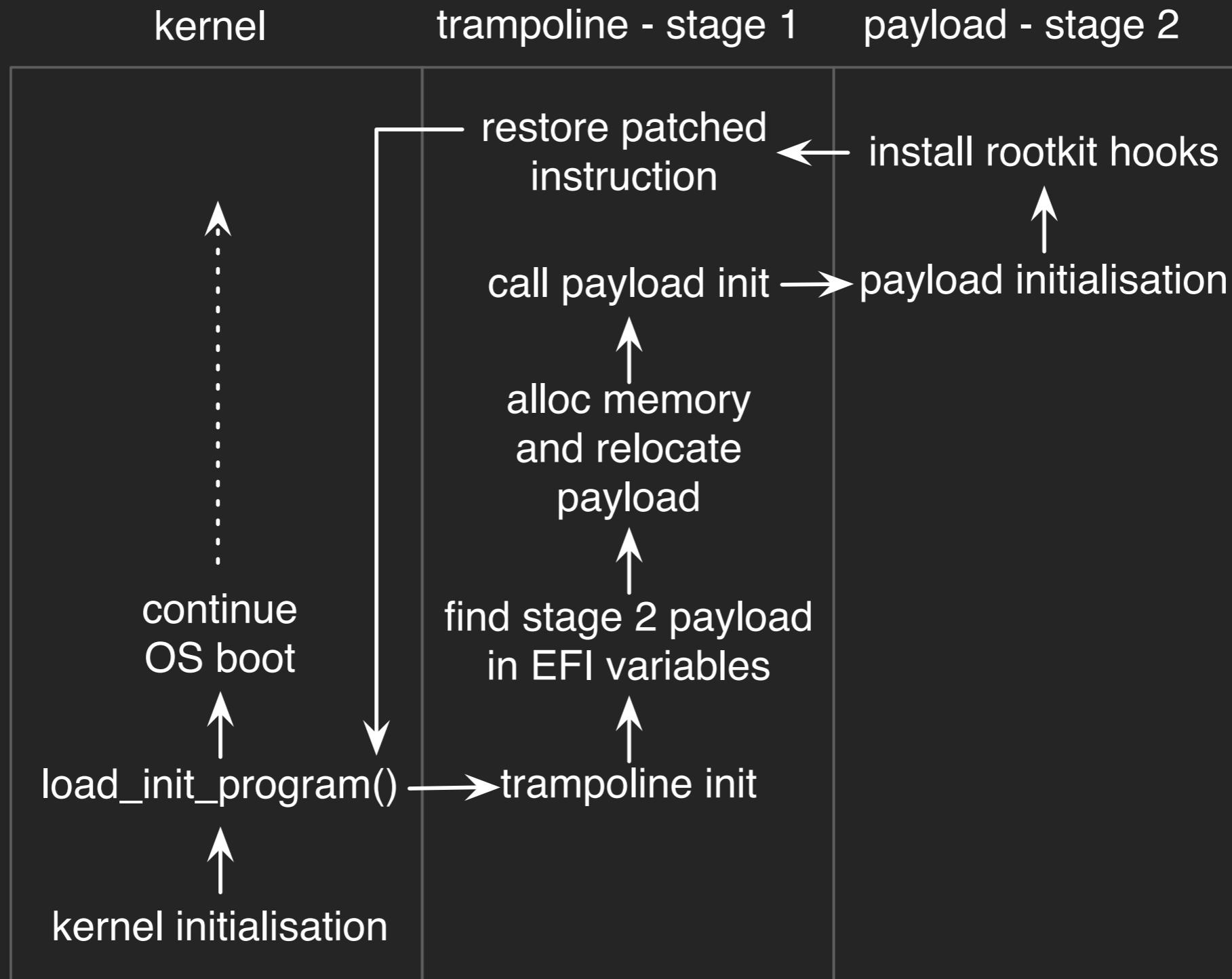
► What's our payload? Trampoline!

- Save registers
- Locate next stage payload
 - Stored in an EFI variable
- Call next stage initialisation
- Restore patched instruction
- Restore registers
- Jump back to patched func
- Kernel continues booting



ATTACKING THE KERNEL

PATCHING THE KERNEL



ATTACKING THE KERNEL

PATCHING THE KERNEL

► Preparing our trampoline

```
/* We're going to patch the first instruction of load_init_program(), and
 * we need to jump back here */
tramp.patch_addr = find_kernel_symbol("_load_init_program");
DLOG(L"[+] patching load_init_program @ 0x%p\n", tramp.patch_addr);

/* Save the instruction data that we're going to overwrite. The tramp will
 * fix it up afterwards. */
tramp.patch_save = *((uint64_t *)tramp.patch_addr);
DLOG(L"[+] saved instructions: 0x%llx, \n", tramp.patch_save);

/* Overwrite the instruction with a jump to the trampoline shellcode */
jump.displacement = (uint32_t)sc_start - (uint32_t)tramp.patch_addr -
                     sizeof(jump);
*(uint64_t *)tramp.patch_addr = *(uint64_t *)&jump;
DLOG(L"[+] patched with instruction: 0x%llx\n", *(uint64_t *)&jump);
```

► Then we just copy it into the kernel



ATTACKING THE KERNEL

HALF-ASSED ROOTKIT HOOKS SLIDE

- ▶ What do we do once we're in the kernel?
 - ▶ Minimal detail here...
 - ▶ See my blog for previous talks on XNU rootkits, etc (<http://ho.ax>)
 - ▶ See fG's blog for more rad stuff (<http://reverse.put.as>)
 - ▶ Hook syscalls
 - ▶ Install NKE callbacks (socket/IP/interface filters)
 - ▶ Install TrustedBSD policy handlers
 - ▶ Patch things
 - ▶ ... and so on



ATTACKING THE KERNEL

OTHER HALF-ASSED ROOTKIT HOOKS SLIDE

- ▶ e.g. Hooking the kill() syscall
 - ▶ Demo will use this
 - ▶ Overwrite entry in sysent to point to our function
 - ▶ Our function...
 - ▶ Checks for a special condition (signal number == 7777)
 - ▶ Promotes the calling process to uid 0
 - ▶ Calls the original kill()



IV. PERSISTENCE



PERSISTENCE OPTIONS?

- ▶ In ascending order of awesome
 - ▶ Patch/replace bootloader
 - ▶ EFI System Partition
 - ▶ PCI device expansion ROM
 - ▶ Firmware flash
- 
- Somewhat awesome**
- Pretty damn awesome**
- So awesome**



PERSISTENCE MESSING WITH THE BOOTLOADER

- ▶ `/System/Library/CoreServices/boot.efi`
- ▶ On-disk, why not just...
 - ▶ Patch the kernel
 - ▶ Install a kernel extension
- ▶ Somewhat useful for “evil maid” attacks
 - ▶ Even with FileVault, boot.efi is stored unencrypted
- ▶ Meh. 4/10.



PERSISTENCE

EFI SYSTEM PARTITION

- ▶ Not actually used by Apple's impl. by default
 - ▶ As far as I can tell
 - ▶ It is used to stage firmware updates
- ▶ Meh also. ~~1/10~~, 5/10
- ▶ I have revised my opinion on this
 - ▶ Possible to force Apple's EFI to use it
 - ▶ Set some NVRAM variables
 - ▶ Will demonstrate this



PERSISTENCE

PCI DEVICE EXPANSION ROMS

► Huh?

- PCI bus is initialised
 - Devices are probed for expansion (“option”) ROMs
 - Found ROMs are mapped into memory
 - DXE phase loads any EFI drivers in ROMs
- ### ► Used for things like...
- PXE on ethernet chipsets (hold that thought)
 - EFI/BIOS drivers for graphics hardware



PERSISTENCE

PCI DEVICE EXPANSION ROMS

- ▶ Hardware-specific
- ▶ Graphics cards in iMacs have them
 - ▶ MacBook Pros too
 - ▶ My old test MacBook - no dice
 - ▶ VMware's ethernet interfaces do - hurr (good for testing)
- ▶ Can write to them from the OS
 - ▶ Thanks, iMacGraphicsFWUpdate.pkg!
 - ▶ Probably with flashrom
- ▶ Pretty awesome. 7/10.



PERSISTENCE FIRMWARE FLASH

- ▶ Hardware-specific, but it's always there
- ▶ Can modify **everything**
 - ▶ SEC, PEI, DXE, BDS, custom drivers, whatever
 - ▶ We can add/replace a driver in the volume
 - ▶ Re-flash it from the OS*/EFI with flashrom
- ▶ So awesome. **II/I0 A++++** would buy again.
 - ▶ BUT...



PERSISTENCE FIRMWARE FLASH

► Problems

- Apple's boot ROM checks FV signature!
 - (Allegedly - this would explain my bricked test machine)
 - Might not be as easy as with PC hardware
- Newer machines use WP flag on flash
 - Need to flash from early EFI stages (maybe SMM)
 - See Invisible Things Lab - “Attacking Intel BIOS”



PERSISTENCE FIRMWARE FLASH

- ▶ Apple's firmware updates
 - ▶ Firmware updates are copied to ESP
 - ▶ Written to flash on reboot
 - ▶ Older machines use EFI Firmware Volumes (.fd files)
 - ▶ Volume is blessed with EfiUpdaterApp.efi
 - ▶ Writes to flash via SPI from EFI environment
 - ▶ Newer machines use EFI Capsules (.scap files)
 - ▶ EFI capsule mailbox stuff? (see the spec)



PERSISTENCE FIRMWARE FLASH

► Manipulating firmware

- Both capsules and firmware volumes are in the spec
 - <http://download.intel.com/technology/framework/docs/Capsule.pdf>
 - <http://download.intel.com/technology/framework/docs/Fv.pdf>
- A capsule has a firmware volume inside
- Inside the FV is a set of Firmware Filesystem “files”
 - <http://download.intel.com/technology/framework/docs/Ffs.pdf>
- There are tools for manipulating Phoenix/AMI/etc BIOSes
 - Aimed at SLIC mods etc
 - I wrote my own in python
 - PS. Binaries are PE, remember? IDA understands them.



PERSISTENCE FIRMWARE FLASH

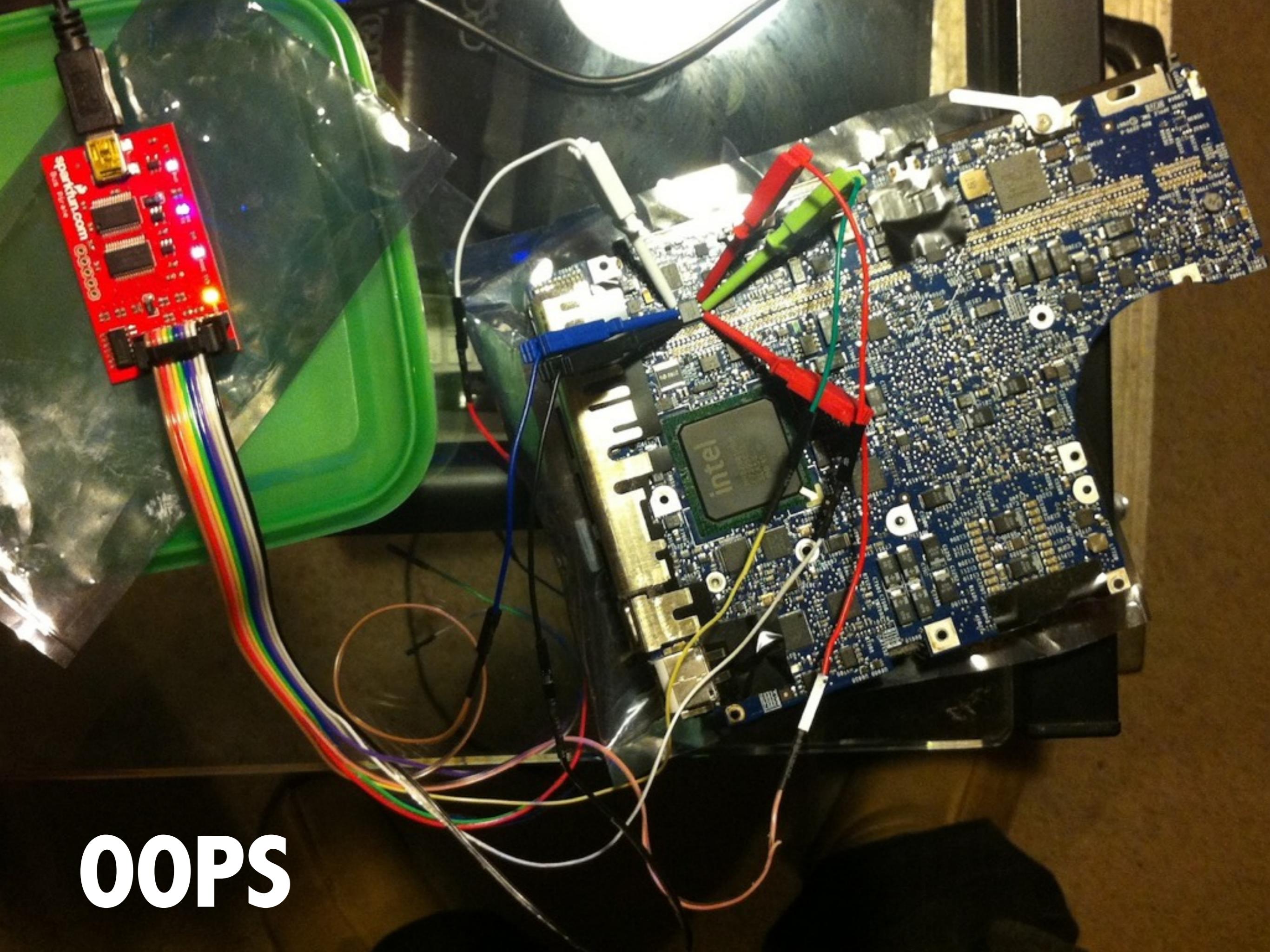
[Firmware Volume]

Offset = 0x0 (0)
FileSystemGuid = 7a9354d9-0468-444a-81ce-0bf617d890df
FvLength = 0x190000 (1638400)
Signature = '_FVH'
Attributes = 0xfffff8eff
HeaderLength = 0x48 (72)
Checksum = 0xdefd (57085)
Revision = 0x1 (1)
[FvBlockMap]
 NumBlocks 25, BlockLength 65536

Files:

11527125-78b2-4d3e-a0df-41e75c221f5a (EFI_FV_FILETYPE_PEIM)
4d37da42-3a0c-4eda-b9eb-bc0e1db4713b (EFI_FV_FILETYPE_PEIM)
35b898ca-b6a9-49ce-8c72-904735cc49b7 (EFI_FV_FILETYPE_DXE_CORE)
c3e36d09-8294-4b97-a857-d5288fe33e28 (EFI_FV_FILETYPE_FREEFORM)
bae7599f-3c6b-43b7-bdf0-9ce07aa91aa6 (EFI_FV_FILETYPE_DRIVER)
b601f8c4-43b7-4784-95b1-f4226cb40cee (EFI_FV_FILETYPE_DRIVER)
51c9f40c-5243-4473-b265-b3c8ffaff9fa (EFI_FV_FILETYPE_DRIVER)
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V. EVIL MAID ATTACKS



EVIL MAID ATTACKS POSSIBILITIES?

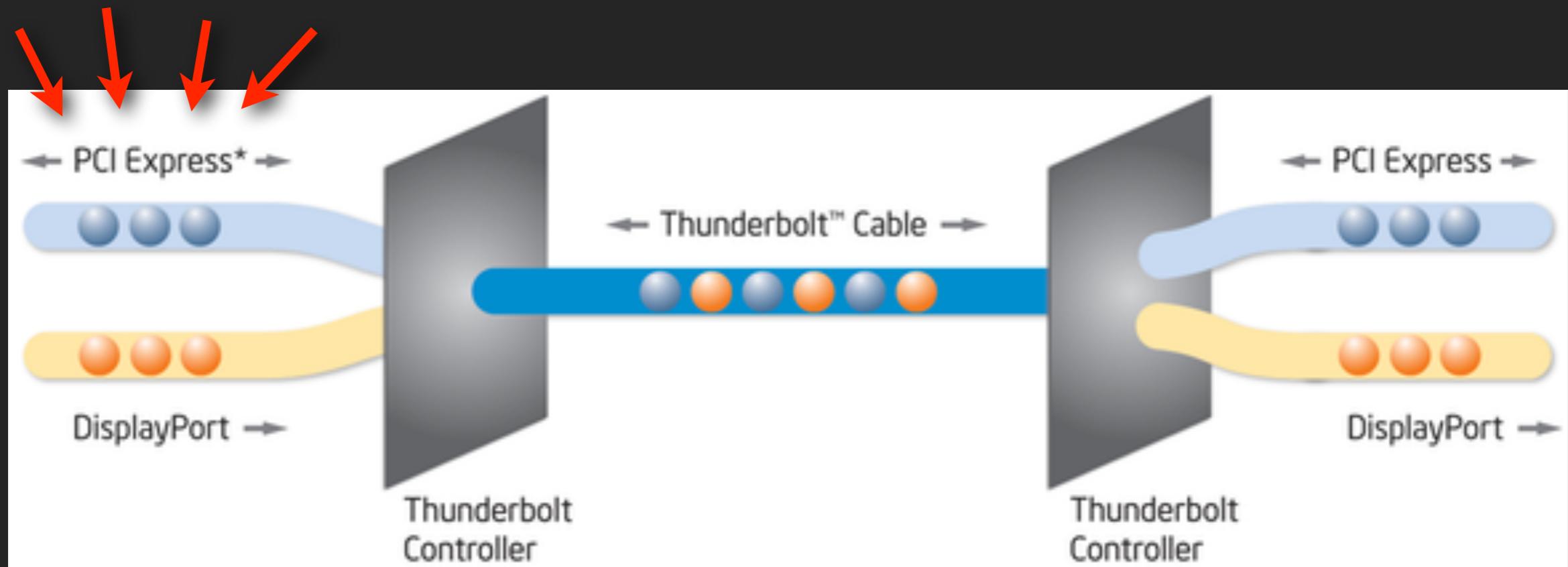
- ▶ Change boot target
 - ▶ USB, Firewire, Network
 - ▶ Backdoor some things
- ▶ Remove disk and trojan
 - ▶ Patch bootloader
- ▶ Thunderbolt
 - ▶ ???



EVIL MAID ATTACKS

WHAT CAN WE DO WITH THUNDERBOLT?

MY GOOD FRIEND MARKETING DIAGRAM IS HERE TO EXPLAIN!



THUNDERBOLT DOES PCIe
PCIe DEVICES HAVE OPTION ROMS



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IT'S MY JOB TO KEEP PUNK ROCK ELITE

Some ExpressCard
SATA adapters have
expansion ROMs



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So does Apple's
Thunderbolt to
Ethernet adapter...



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IT'S MY JOB TO KEEP PUNK ROCK ELITE

► Process

- ▶ Attach Apple Thunderbolt to Gigabit Ethernet Adapter
- ▶ Power on system
- ▶ Driver is loaded from option ROM on adapter
- ▶ Driver deploys payload
 - ▶ Drop shim bootloader and payload driver on disk
 - ▶ Flash payload driver to option ROM on video card
 - ▶ ...
- ▶ All before the FileVault passphrase entry screen



EVIL MAID ATTACKS

THUNDERBOLT TO GIGABIT ETHERNET ADAPTER

```
08:00.0 Ethernet controller: Broadcom Corporation Device 1682
  Subsystem: Apple Computer Inc. Device 00f6
  Control: I/O- Mem+ BusMaster+ SpecCycle- MemWINV- VGASnoop- ParErr-
  Stepping- SERR- FastB2B- DisINTx-
  Status: Cap+ 66MHz- UDF- FastB2B- ParErr- DEVSEL=fast >TAbsrt- <TAbsrt-
  <MAbsrt- >SERR- <PERR- INTx-
  Latency: 0, Cache Line Size: 128 bytes
  Interrupt: pin A routed to IRQ 11
  Region 0: Memory at acb00000 (64-bit, prefetchable) [size=64K]
  Region 2: Memory at acb10000 (64-bit, prefetchable) [size=64K]
  Expansion ROM at acb20000 [disabled] [size=64K]
--snip--
```

 This guy right here, man

```
$ EfiRom -f 0x0001 -i 0x8003 -e defile.efi -o defile.rom
```



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THUNDERBOLT TO GIGABIT ETHERNET ADAPTER

```
Copyright(c) 2000-2011 Broadcom Corporation, all rights reserved.
Broadcom NetXtreme/NetLink User Diagnostics 15.23 (12/16/11)
*****
C Brd  Ru  Bus  PCI Spd Base  IRQ  NUM(avl/max)  MAC          Boot  Code  Config
-----  ---  ---  ---  ---  ---  ---  ---  ---  ---  ---  ---  ---  ---  ---
0 57762:AB 00:00:0 Exi 250 ACB0 11  64k/ 64k 406C8F35D639 57762-ai.10 Nmp,auto

Checking IRQ.....: passed
Checking NVRAM Content.....: passed
Programming PXE from defile.rom.....: Updating PCI ROM (type 3) header with Ve
ndor ID = 0x14e4 Device ID = 0x1682
EFI Reading current NVRAM ... OK
Programming... 512

                                         passed
Checking Bond Id.....: passed
Manufacturing revision.....: D
Boot Code Version.....: 57762-ai.10
Mac Address.....: 40-6C-8F-35-D6-39
NVRAM Size in KBytes.: 64/0x40
TPM Size in KBytes.....: 0/0x0
Group A. Register Tests
  A1. Indirect Register Test_
```



DEMO

- ▶ Evil maid using emulated option ROM (VMware)
 - ▶ Assume we've already got privileged access
 - ▶ WebKit vuln + privesc to root?
 - ▶ From here we've flashed an option ROM on the graphics card?
 - ▶ Boot machine
 - ▶ Malicious driver is loaded from option ROM
 - ▶ For demonstration purposes it's on the virtual ethernet adapter
 - ▶ Driver registers for `ExitBootServices()`
 - ▶ Bootloader is executed, loads kernel
 - ▶ Driver gets called back by `ExitBootServices()` and patches the kernel
 - ▶ Kernel is booted



DEMO

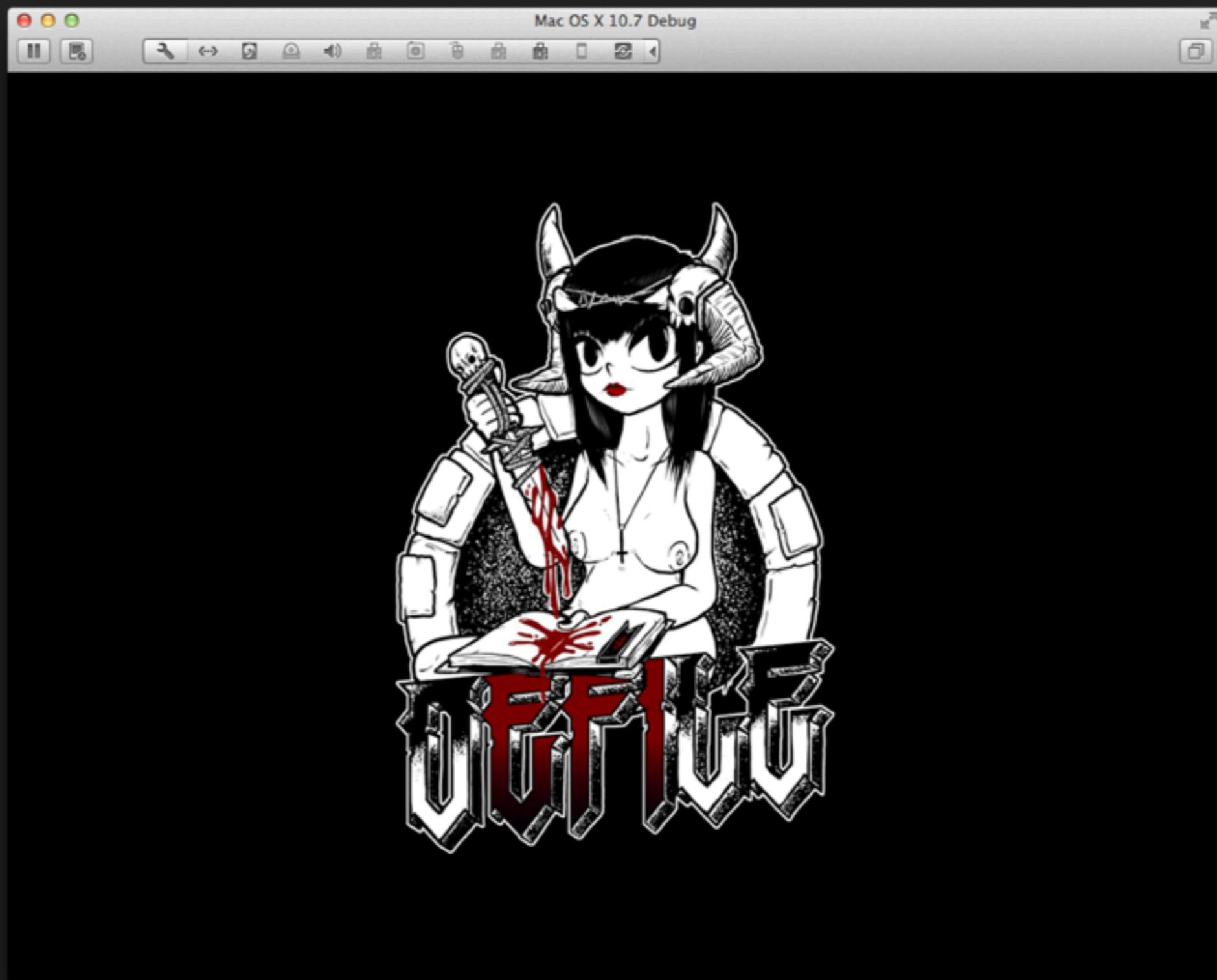
- ▶ Evil maid using Thunderbolt
 - ▶ Connect Apple Thunderbolt to Gigabit Ethernet Adapter
 - ▶ Boot machine
 - ▶ Driver is loaded from adapter's PXE firmware & exec'd
 - ▶ Driver writes a shim bootloader & driver to the ESP
 - ▶ Configures NVRAM to point to that bootloader
 - ▶ On subsequent boots:
 - ▶ Shim bootloader is loaded
 - ▶ Loads payload driver, which registers ExitBootServices()
 - ▶ Shim execs normal bootloader
 - ▶ Driver patches kernel



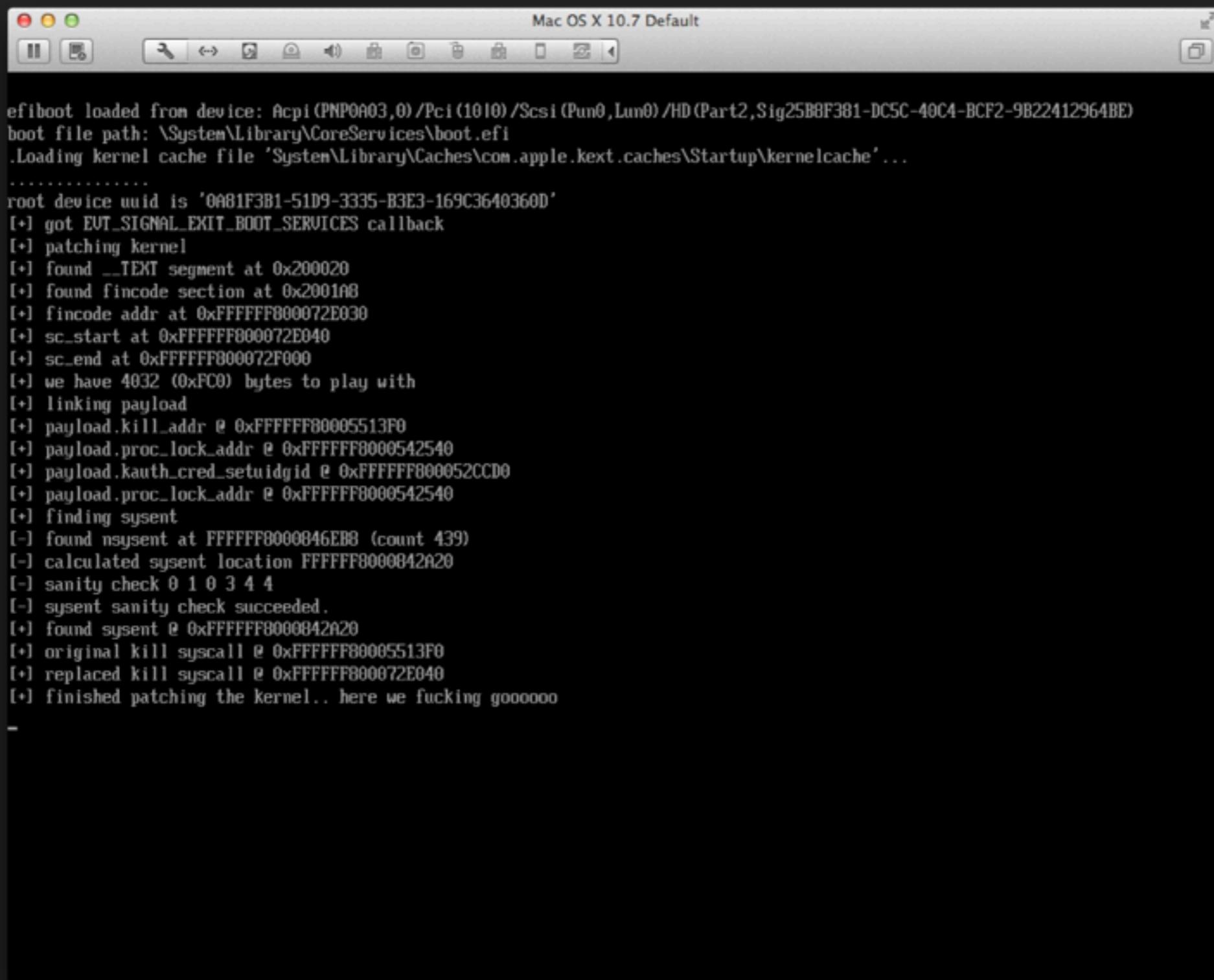
DEMO



IN CASE MY DEMO BROKE HERE'S SOME SCREENSHOTS



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```
efiboot loaded from device: Acpi (PNP0A03,0)/Pci (1010)/Scsi (Pun0,Lun0) /HD (Part2,Sig25B8F381-DC5C-40C4-BCF2-9B22412964BE)
boot file path: \System\Library\CoreServices\boot.efi
Loading kernel cache file 'System\Library\Caches\com.apple.kext.caches\Startup\kernelcache' ...

root device uuid is '0A81F3B1-51D9-3335-B3E3-169C3640360D'
[+] got EVT_SIGNAL_EXIT_BOOT_SERVICES callback
[+] patching kernel
[+] found __TEXT segment at 0x200020
[+] found fincode section at 0x2001A8
[+] fincode addr at 0xFFFFFFF800072E030
[+] sc_start at 0xFFFFFFF800072E040
[+] sc_end at 0xFFFFFFF800072F000
[+] we have 4032 (0xFC0) bytes to play with
[+] linking payload
[+] payload.kill_addr @ 0xFFFFFFF80005513F0
[+] payload.proc_lock_addr @ 0xFFFFFFF8000542540
[+] payload.kauth_cred_setuidgid @ 0xFFFFFFF8000520CD0
[+] payload.proc_lock_addr @ 0xFFFFFFF8000542540
[+] finding sysent
[-] found nsysent at FFFFFF8000846EB8 (count 439)
[-] calculated sysent location FFFFFF8000842A20
[-] sanity check 0 1 0 3 4 4
[-] sysent sanity check succeeded.
[+] found sysent @ 0xFFFFFFF8000842A20
[+] original kill syscall @ 0xFFFFFFF80005513F0
[+] replaced kill syscall @ 0xFFFFFFF800072E040
[+] finished patching the kernel.. here we fucking gooooooo
```



V. DEFENCE



DEFENCE EFI FIRMWARE PASSWORD?

► Hahaha... :(

- This will prevent some “evil maid” attacks
- Stops you from changing the boot target
 - USB/Optical/Firewire/Network
- That’s about it
- Doesn’t prevent flashing the firmware/option ROMs
- Doesn’t prevent loading drivers over Thunderbolt
- There are ways to remove it on some machines
 - Weird RAM removal tricks
 - Not so much with current Macs with soldered-on RAM



DEFENCE UEFI SECURE BOOT

- ▶ Part of the current UEFI spec
- ▶ Describes signing of EFI images (drivers/apps/loaders)
 - ▶ Platform Key (PK)
 - ▶ Key Exchange Key (KEK)
- ▶ DXE & BDS phases verify sigs of binaries



DEFENCE

UEFI SECURE BOOT

► Issues

- “*The public key must be stored in non-volatile storage which is tamper and delete resistant.*”
- May not prevent evil maid attacks if NVRAM can be reset
- Blank NVRAM == back to “setup” mode
- Use the TPM
- Signing needs to be enforced through the whole stack
- More?



IN CONCLUSION... I HAD FUN.

- ▶ So basically we're all screwed
 - ▶ What should you do?
 - ▶ Glue all your ports shut
 - ▶ Use an EFI password to prevent basic local attacks
 - ▶ Stop using computers, go back to the abacus
 - ▶ What should Apple do?
 - ▶ Implement UEFI Secure Boot (actually use the TPM)
 - ▶ Disable loading of option ROMs from devices on bus expansions
 - ▶ When an EFI password is set I guess?
 - ▶ Audit the damn EFI code (see Heasman/ITL)
 - ▶ Sacrifice more virgins



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