Hacking Hadoukens

Reverse Engineering a Street Fighter Two Cabinet

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Introduction

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Presentation Goals

- 1. Explain how to perform black-box analysis of embedded systems
- 2. Learn how to extract SPI flash memory
- 3. Review initial steps to take when looking at firmware binaries
- 4. Review UART/SPI protocols and the tools to interface with them
- 5. Parse a custom filesystem image with Kaitai Struct

Platform Overview

- Street Fighter 2 Championship
 Edition Arcade Cab
 - Developed by "My Arcade"
- Allows for two-player co-op
- 6 button layout + coin insert buttons
 - Perfect for generic MAME

Research Goals

- 1. Extract all non-volatile storage
- 2. Perform cursory analysis of firmware
 - Operating System
 - Application structure
- 3. Determine if it's possible to run custom programs on the target
- 4. Overwrite the SFII ROM with a different ROM

Hardware Overview: Interfaces

- When reviewing an embedded system, it is essential to review its external interfaces
- The SF2 cabinet has the following externally exposed interfaces:
 - USB (Charging)
 - Serial (via 3.5mm audio connector) for multiplayer
- This does not leave us with a large attack surface so that we will perform a hardware teardown

Hardware Overview: Goals

- What are we looking for when we perform a hardware teardown?
 - Processors
 - Non-volatile flash devices
 - Debug interfaces
 - Silkscreen or other information labeled on the PCB
- When performing a hardware teardown, be sure to write down / document part numbers for components!
 - Sometimes you can find datasheets

This target consists of two main PCBs that we will review

 This is our main PCB which contains most of our components of interest

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CPU / Processors

- The first component that stands out is likely the CPU
- The following characteristics indicate that this is a CPU
 - Central board location
 - Oscillator connected to it
 - All traces lead to it

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Debug Headers

- These vias are sometimes indicative of debug headers
- Note that one is silk-screened
 GND/TX

SPI Flash

- The highlighted component is a SPI flash chip
- This is likely where our data is stored!
- Part number: EN25QH64

USB / Serial Connections

- This smaller board houses the USB connector and 3.5mm connector
- TX / RX / DET are used for multiplayer purposes, not debugging :(

Main Board Bottom Side

- There are not many components on the underside of the PCB
- The silkscreen gives us more information about the test pads
 - IO lines for buttons
 - FPC connector for USB/3.5mm PCB

Hardware Teardown: Component Overview

- Based on our hardware teardown, we now know:
 - Utilizes on G20 ARM
 - Contains a SPI flash chip
 - Has a potential debug header (GND / TX)
- Next, we will examine our two potential interfaces
 - UART
 - o SPI

UART: Overview

- UART = Universal Asynchronous Receiver Transmitter
 - Asynchronous = no external clock
 - Often referred to simply as "serial."
- Used to transmit and receive serial data between two components
- Utilizes two lines, Tx and Rx
 - ∘ Tx = Transmit
 - ∘ Rx = Receive

UART: Pi Interfacing

- TXD0/I014 = Transmit
- RXD0/I015 = Receive
- Can be accessed via /dev/ttyS0

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UART Tools: screen / minicom

- The Unix tool screen can be used to access serial ports
 - screen /path/to/device baudrate
 - Exit by pressing Ctrl-a then k
- minicom can also be used to interact with serial ports and provides additional features
 - sudo minicom -b baudrate /path/to/device
 - Allows more complex settings to be saved in a config file

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SF2: UART Access

- We will connect to the cabinet's serial debug header with a baudrate of 115200
- sudo screen /dev/ttyS0 115200

SF2: UART Access

```
B00T0 is starting
init dram , base
                       is 0x80000000
init dram , clk
                       is 156
init dram , access_mode is 1
init dram , cs_num
                       is 0x55000001
init dram , ddr8_remap is 0
init dram , sdr_ddr
                       is 1
init dram , bwidth
                       is 16
init dram , col_width is 10
init dram , row width is 13
init dram , bank_size   is 4
init dram , cas
                       is 3
init dram , size
                       is 120
dram init successed, size is 64
jump to BOOT1
port:1, port_num:3, func:5 pull:1
port:5, port_num:8, func:3 pull:0
DBG: boot1 starting!
DBG: init key OK
before check_key_to_fel.
=== key_type =1 ===
port0:1
port num0:0
key_value:0
not times up, not jump to fel.
port:3, port_num:1, func:2 pull:1
port:3, port_num:0, func:2 pull:1
port:3, port_num:3, func:2 pull:1
port:3, port_num:2, func:2 pull:1
value=0
jump to kernal
port:3, port_num:1, func:2 pull:1
port:3, port_num:0, func:2 pull:1
port:3, port_num:3, func:2 pull:1
port:3, port_num:2, func:2 pull:1
EPOS_MEM_DBG ON?, log_mem:0x0
```

SF2 UART Access

- The debug logs for this device are very verbose
 - Over 14kb of data!
- While the information is useful, we are not given a shell or any other kind of access
 - This is still useful for debugging
- Some interesting strings appear in the logfile:
 - EPOS_MEM_DBG ON?, log_mem:0x0
 - fba_open:d:\game\sf2ceua.zip
 - o read hiscore file, szFilename:e:\sf2ceua.hi, fp:-1037855776

SF2: UART Access Conclusion

- With this UART we can get access to debug logs
 - There is no Rx line, so we can only receive data from the target
- The debug logs tell us the following:
 - The EPOS RTOS is likely being used
 - The SF2 ROM is likely a standard MAME ROM
- The application in use is FB Alpha
 - FB Alpha is an arcade emulator!
- To learn more, we will need to try to dump the flash

SPI Flash Extraction

- We have identified the component which likely holds our data
 - EN25QH64
- SPI flash chips can be extracted in circuit (without removing them)
 - We will use a Raspberry Pi for this

Serial Peripheral Interface

- SPI is a synchronous serial communications interface
 - Commonly used for external sensors, SPI flash, etc.
- SPI operates in full-duplex mode
 - This means that both lines are active
- It requires 4 lines to be implemented
 - o CS / CLK / SDI / SDO
- The protocol utilizes a host/target paradigm

SPI: Pin Usage / Definition

Pin	Usage
Chip Select (CS)	Used to select the appropriate device on the SPI bus that the host wishes to communicate with
Clock (CLK)	Clock signal that is host generated; data is sampled based on the configured SPI mode
Serial Data Out (SDO/MOSI)	Used to send data to the target device from the host, commands are issued through this line
Serial Data In (SDI/MISO)	Responses from the target device are sent over this line

SPI Connections

The host controls the CS, CLK and SDO
lines. The target responds on the SDI line

SPI: Pi Interfacing

- I010/SD0
- I09/SDI
- I011/SCLK
- I08/CS

SPI Tools: flashrom

- Flashrom is an open-source utility that can read and write SPI flash memory
 - Many chips and targets are supported
 - Adding additional chips is straightforward
- Flashrom can run on the Raspberry Pi!
 - Check out the man pages: man flashrom

SPI Tools: flashrom

- Flashrom can interact with multiple hardware devices, referred to as "programmers."
 - FT2232h (FTDI)
 - Linux SPI Peripherals (Like the one on the Pi!)
 - More are listed in the documentation
- The programmer is specified with the -p argument

SPI Tools: flashrom

Programmer Selection

- An example programmer argument can be seen below:
 - -p linux_spi:dev=/dev/spidev0.0,spispeed=800
- linux_spi
 - Linux based spi subsystem is to be used
- dev=/dev/spidev0.0
 - Path to SPI device
- spispeed=800
 - Clock speed to be used (in Khz)

SPI Flash Extraction:

SPI Flash Extraction

Raspberry Pi GPIO	TSOP8 Clip
CE0 / IO8	1
SDI/IO9	2
GND	4
SDO/IO10	5
CLK/IO11	6
3V3	8

SPI Flash Extraction

Flashrom was able to dump the SPI flash memory, both dumps
have the same <code>md5sum</code> result

SPI Flash: Initial Analysis

After extracting the firmware, we will use
<code>binwalk</code>/<code>strings</code> on the resulting image

All Hands Active Workshop

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SPI FLash: Binwalk Output

DECIMAL	HEXADECIMAL	DESCRIPTION
778808	0xBE238	JPEG image data, EXIF standard
778820	0xBE244	TIFF image data, big-endian, offset of first image directory: 8
779486	0xBE4DE	Copyright string: "Copyright (c) 1998 Hewlett-Packard Company"
786200	0xBFF18	Copyright string: "Copyright (c) 1998 Hewlett-Packard Company"
794662	0xC2026	Copyright string: "Copyright (c) 1998 Hewlett-Packard Company"
2512544	0x2656A0	Zlib compressed data, default compression
2651638	0x2875F6	Copyright string: "copyright displaying) or when the hiscore **"
2832512	0x2B3880	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 44, uncompressed size: 279, name: bprg1.11d
2832625	0x2B38F1	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 47, uncompressed size: 279, name: buf1
2832726	0x2B3956	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 47, uncompressed size: 279, name: c632.ic1
2832839	0x2B39C7	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 53, uncompressed size: 279, name: ioa1
2832946	0x2B3A32	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 53, uncompressed size: 279, name: iob1.12d
2833065	0x2B3AA9	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 45, uncompressed size: 260, name: ioc1.ic7
2833176	0x2B3B18	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 71, uncompressed size: 279, name: prg1
2833301	0x2B3B95	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 47, uncompressed size: 279, name: rom1
2833402	0x2B3BFA	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 285723, uncompressed size: 524288, name: s92-10m.3c
3119165	0x2F983D	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 281716, uncompressed size: 524288, name: s92-11m.4c
3400921	0x33E4D9	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 185573, uncompressed size: 524288, name: s92-12m.5c
3586534	0x36B9E6	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 181541, uncompressed size: 524288, name: s92-13m.6c
3768115	0x397F33	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 290810, uncompressed size: 524288, name: s92-1m.3a
4058964	0x3DEF54	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 290778, uncompressed size: 524288, name: s92-2m.4a
4349781	0x425F55	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 195599, uncompressed size: 524288, name: s92-3m.5a
4545419	0x455B8B	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 195382, uncompressed size: 524288, name: s92-4m.6a
4740840	0x4856E8	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 293202, uncompressed size: 524288, name: s92-5m.7a
5034081	0x4CD061	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 294846, uncompressed size: 524288, name: s92-6m.8a
5328966	0x515046	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 204031, uncompressed size: 524288, name: s92-7m.9a
5533036	0x546D6C	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 204872, uncompressed size: 524288, name: s92-8m.10a
5737948	0x578DDC	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 69, uncompressed size: 279, name: s9263b.1a
5738086	0x578E66	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 216174, uncompressed size: 524288, name: s92e_23b.8f
5954335	0x5ADB1F	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 32045, uncompressed size: 65536, name: s92_09.11a
5986452	0x5B5894	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 116790, uncompressed size: 131072, name: s92_18.11c
6103314	0x5D2112	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 116874, uncompressed size: 131072, name: s92_19.12c
6220260	0x5EE9E4	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 46782, uncompressed size: 524288, name: s92_21a.6f
6267082	0x5FA0CA	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 97339, uncompressed size: 524288, name: s92_22b.7f
6364493	0x611D4D	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 58, uncompressed size: 279, name: sou1
6367003	0x61271B	End of Zip archive, footer length: 22
6367028	0x612734	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 204370, uncompressed size: 524288, name: s92u_23a.8f
6571439	0x6445AF	Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract, compressed size: 119139, uncompressed size: 524288, name: s92_22a.7f
6690731	0x6617AB	End of Zip archive, footer length: 22

SPI Flash: Initial Analysis

Examining the strings in the binary showed some plaintext data

RE Tips: Firmware Blob Analysis

- In addition to running binwalk and strings, examine the beginning of the file for header information
 - hexdump -C -n512 file.bin
- When examining firmware headers, look for:
 - Start addresses (0x80000000 , etc.)
 - Branch instructions (architecture-dependent)
 - Size fields / possible checksums

```
pi@voidstar:~ $ hexdump -n512 -C street-fighter.bin
0000000
                  a8 00
                            00 ea 65 47 4f 4e
                                                              2e 42 54 30 0d 0c 66 fc
                                                                                                            |....eGON.BT0..f.|
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Examining the first 512 bytes of the file reveal what looks like a header; googling these strings leads us to the Sunxi FEL Webpage

```
pi@voidstar:~ $ hexdump -n512 -C street-fighter.bin
00000000 a8 00 00 ea 65 47 4f 4e 2e 42 54 30 0d 0c 66 fc |....eGON.BT0..f.|
```

The first byte sequence - <code>a8 00 00 ea</code> is an ARM
branch instruction!

- Now that we have extracted the SPI flash, we will attempt to understand the boot process
 - How many stages are there in the boot process?
 - Are there any stages that we can interrupt?
- We also need to answer the following questions:
 - What OS is in use? (if any)
 - What filesystem(s) are present?

- Here we see some debug strings
 - Are these present in our serial logs?

Understanding the Boot Process

```
BOOTO is starting
init dram , base is 0x80000000
init dram , clk is 156
init dram , access_mode is 1
init dram , cs_num is 0x55000001
init dram , ddr8_remap is 0
init dram , sdr_ddr is 1
init dram , bwidth is 16
init dram , col_width is 10
init dram , row_width is 13
init dram , bank_size is 4
init dram , cas is 3
init dram , size is 120
dram init successed, size is 64
jump to BOOT1
DBG: boot1 starting!
DBG: init key OK
before check_key_to_fel.
```

Understanding the Boot Process

- After further analysis of the flash, there are two possible boot images:
 - eGON.BTO at address 0
 - eGON.BT1 at address 0x6000
- In both boot images, there are references to jump to fel
- After researching FEL we find the following on the Allwinner website

FEL is a low-level subroutine contained in the BootROM on Allwinner devices. It is responsible for the initial programming and recovery of devices using USB.

Understanding FEL Mode

- FEL is a low-level subroutine contained in the BootROM on Allwinner devices.
 - It is used for initial programming and recovery of devices using USB.
- Devices must enter FEL mode, causing them to present themselves as a USB device
 - FEL mode is entered by holding certain IO lines on boot
- If this mode is present on our cabinet, how might we trigger it?

Understanding FEL Mode

After testing, it was discovered that holding volume down during startup causes
 FEL mode to be entered

```
[129080.108765] usb 1-1.1: new full-speed USB device number 16 using xhci_hcd [129080.251695] usb 1-1.1: New USB device found, idVendor=1f3a, idProduct=efe8, bcdDevice= 2.b3 [129080.251718] usb 1-1.1: New USB device strings: Mfr=0, Product=0, SerialNumber=0
```

- Based on our initial analysis of the SPI flash, we know the following:
 - There is a two-stage bootloader
 - FEL mode can be entered on startup
 - The CPU is an Allwinner Series CPU
 - FB Alpha Emulation software is in use
 - The SF2 ROM in use is likely a standard one
 - It matches the same structure as the typical MAME ROM

- We can enter FEL mode, causing the cabinet to present itself as a USB device
 - What can we do with this?

```
before check_key_to_fel.
=== key_type =1 ===
port0:1
port_num0:0
key_value:0
times up, detect io jump to fel.
key found, jump to fel
```

- To communicate with the device in FEL mode, we need to build the sunxi-tools
- After building this software, the FEL version can be queried as shown below:

```
pi@voidstar:~/sf2/sunxi-tools $ sudo ./sunxi-fel version
Warning: no 'soc_sram_info' data for your SoC (id=1663)
AWUSBFEX soc=00001663(unknown) 00000001 ver=0001 44 08 scratchpad=00007e00 00000000 00000000
```

- The standard FEL tools do not have support for our chip ID
- After searching through GitHub using the chip ID a fork of this repo was found that supports our chip!
- What can we **do** with these tools?

- Using the fel tools, we can:
 - Read and write RAM
 - Read and write SPI flash memory
 - Load arbitrary firmware binaries into RAM

```
pi@voidstar:~/remove/projects/sf-cabinet/tools/sunxi-tools $ sudo ./sunxi-fel ver
AWUSBFEX soc=00001663(F1C100s) 00000001 ver=0001 44 08 scratchpad=00007e00 00000000 00000000
pi@voidstar:~/remove/projects/sf-cabinet/tools/sunxi-tools $ sudo ./sunxi-fel spiflash-info
Manufacturer: Unknown (1Ch), model: 70h, size: 8388608 bytes.
pi@voidstar:~/remove/projects/sf-cabinet/tools/sunxi-tools $ sudo ./sunxi-fel spiflash-read 0 0x800000 sf2.bin
```

FEL Mode: Conclusion

- Using FEL mode, we can now read and write the SPI flash over USB
- This is much more efficient than using the clips
- This method can also easily be employed by other people for testing!
- We still need to answer the following:
 - What OS/RTOS is in use?
 - What filesystem is in use?

Understanding the OS

- Throughout our serial log we see multiple strings such as:
 - esMODS_MInstall
 - o esDEV_Plugin
 - EPOS_MEM_DBG
 - L560(Esh_shell.c):Esh msg: shell main thread: Bye Bye!
- After researching these debug logs, it appears that the OS in use is ePOS v1.0

ePOS v1.0

- Not much information is available on ePOS v1.0
 - https://epos.lisha.ufsc.br/EPOS+Overview
 - Embedded ParallelOperating System

Understanding the Filesystem

- Based on some strings in the binary, we see references to the following:
 - Minfs
 - o Fat16
- A Fat16 header is present in the image

MinFS Tables

At ROM offset 0x24400, we see the string MINFS

```
2:4400h: 4D 49 4E 46 53 00 00 01 00 02 00 00 BC 01 00 00 MINFS......¼...
2:4410h: 4E 00 00 00 88 16 00 00 18 A1 7B 00 00 BC 7B 00 N...^....¡{..¼{.
```

• What follows this entry is what appears to be a list of files

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2:4600h: bc 03 00 00 f4 02 00 00 00 00 00 00 18 00 01 00
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2:4610h: 04 00 00 00 61 70 70 73 00 1a 00 00 a0 1d 00 00
                                                           ....apps.... ...
2:4620h: a0 1d 00 00 24 00 00 00 0e 00 00 00 61 70 70 5f
                                                            ...$.....app_
                                                           config.bin.. 7...
2:4630h: 63 6f 6e 66 69 67 2e 62 69 6e 00 00 a0 37 00 00
2:4640h: 6a 14 00 00 6a 14 00 00 24 00 00 00 0e 00 00
                                                           j...j...$.....
2:4650h: 61 70 70 5F 63 6F 6E 66 69 67 2E 66 65 78 00 00
                                                           app_config.fex..
2:4660h: 18 07 00 00 78 02 00 00 00 00 00 00 18 00 01 00
                                                           . . . . X . . . . . . . . . .
                                                           ....drv..L..HÆ..
2:4670h: 03 00 00 00 64 72 76 00 0C 4C 00 00 48 C6 06 00
2:4680h: 48 C6 06 00 1C 00 00 00 08 00 00 00 65 70 6F 73
                                                           HÆ....epos
2:4690h: 2E 69 6D 67 90 09 00
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2:46A0h: 18 00 01 00 04 00
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                                       6D 65 54 12 07 00
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2:46B0h: 50 00 00 00 50 00 00 00 24 00 00 00 0F 00 00 00
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                                                           key_REF-New.dat.
2:46C0h: 6B 65 79 5F 52 45 46 2D 4E 65 77 2E 64 61 74 00
2:46D0h: A4 12 07 00 50 00 00
                              00 50 00 00 00 24 00 00
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2:46E0h: 0F 00 00
                  00 6B 65 79 5F 52 45 46 2D 6F 6C 64 2E
                                                           ....key_REF-old.
2:46F0h: 64 61 74 00 F4 12 07 00 50 00 00 00 50 00 00 00
                                                           dat.ô...P...P...
2:4700h: 20 00 00 00 0B 00 00 00 6B 65 79 5F 52 45 46 2E
                                                            ....key_REF.
2:4710h: 64 61 74 00 30 0A 00 00 7C 02 00 00 00 00 00 00
                                                           dat.0...|.....
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                                                           ......mod.D...
                                                           Ò...Ò... ...
2:4730h: F2 0A 00
                  00 F2 0A 00 00 20 00
                                       00 00 0B 00
                                                   \Theta\Theta
2:4740h: 70 77 6D 5F 63 66 67 2E 69 6E 69 00 38 1E 07 00
                                                           pwm_cfg.ini.8...
2:4750h: 00 80 02 00 00 80 02 00 20 00 00 00 0B 00 00 00
                                                           .€...€.. ......
```

Analyzying Unknown Headers: Where to Start?

- When looking at an unknown binary format, look for the following:
 - Length fields (before strings etc.)
 - Size fields (of entire structure)
 - Pointers / Offset values
- Examining formats like this takes patience
 - Look for a parser if possible Google is your friend!

Analyzying Unknown Headers

Here is a sample consisting of multiple file entries

Analyzying Unknown Headers

There is what appears to be a length field for the filename
<code>apps</code> is 4 bytes
<code>app_config.bin</code> is 0xE bytes

Analyzying Unknown Headers

0x1A is a likely the candidate for a field representing the total length

Analyzing Unknown Headers

Examine the Data in 010Editor -- Live analysis!

MinFS Table Entry Structure

Element	Size
Flash Offset	4
Raw Size	4
Uncompressed Size	4
Entry Length	2
Flags	2
Name Length	2
Extra Length	2
Name	Name Length
Dad	Entry I anath - Nama I anath - 20

Now that we understand the format, we need to develop a tool to
parse it

Kaitai Struct

- Kaitai Struct is a binary format analysis tool
 - Defines a declarative
 language used to define
 binary structures
- Free and open source

Kaitai Struct

- Binary formats can be defined with a .ksy file
- Kaitai includes a visualizer to debug your format
- .ksy files are compiled into a language source file
 - Python
 - Javascript
 - **C**#
- Automatically generates classes for parsing your defined data

Kaitai Struct: Example .ksy file

```
meta:
  id: qif
  endian: le
seq:
  - id: header
    type: header
  - id: logical_screen
    type: logical_screen
types:
  header:
    seq:
      - id: magic
        contents: 'GIF'
      - id: version
        size: 3
  logical_screen:
    seq:
      - id: image width
        type: u2
      - id: image_height
        type: u2
      - id: flags
        type: u1
      - id: bg_color_index
        type: u1
      - id: pixel_aspect_ratio
        type: u1
```

Kaitai Struct: Writing a Template

- Templates are written in a YAML based format
 - Documentation is here
- The seq element describes the attributes that make up the structure
- The web-based editor can debug templates
 - This can be run locally!

Kaitai Struct: .ksy Attributes

- id is used to give the attribute a name
- type gives the attribute a type
- Common types include:
 - u1 Unsigned Byte
 - u2 Unsigned Word
 - s1 Signed byte
 - s2 Signed Word

Kaitai Struct: .ksy Substructures

• Types are defined with the types element

```
seq:
  - id: track_title
    type: str_with_len
types:
  str_with_len:
    seq:
      - id: len
        type: u4
      - id: value
        type: str
        encoding: UTF-8
        size: len
```

Kaitai Struct: .ksy Enums

```
seq:
    - id: protocol
      type: u1
      enum: ip_protocol
enums:
    ip_protocol:
    1: icmp
    6: tcp
    17: udp
```

Kaitai Struct: MinFS Table Header

```
minfs table header:
  doc: "Table header for MINFS partition, points to first entry of file table and provides number of total entries"
  seq:
    - id: magic
      contents: [0x4D ,0x49 ,0x4E ,0x46 ,0x53, 0x00]
    - id: version
      type: u2
    - id: tree_offset
      type: u4
    - id: root_size
      type: u4
    - id: tree_entries
      type: u4
    - id: tree_size
      type: u4
    - id: fdata_length
      type: u4
    - id: image_size
      type: u4
```

Kaitai Struct: MinFS Table Entry

```
minfs_table_entry:
  seq:
    - id: flash offset
      type: u4
    - id: raw size
      type: u4
    - id: original_size
      type: u4
    - id: entry_length
      type: u2
    - id: flags
      type: u2
      enum: file_type
    - id: name_length
      type: u2
    - id: extra_length
      type: u2
    - id: name
      type: str
      encoding: UTF-8
      size: name_length
    - id: pad
      size: entry_length - name_length - 20
```

Kaitai Struct: Final Sequence

```
seq:
    - id: minfs_header
    type: minfs_table_header
    - id: minfs_pad
    size: minfs_header.tree_offset-32
    - id: minfs_file_table
    type: minfs_table_entry
    repeat: expr
    repeat-expr: minfs_header.tree_entries
```

Kaitai Struct: Testing the Template

All Hands Active Workshop

Kaitai Struct: Parsing the Filesystem

- Using Kaitai, we can not generate a python library to parse our structure
 - This allows us to parse them with the following code quickly:

```
from minfs import *

target = Minfs.from_file("/home/wrongbaud/blog/sf-cabinet/output-files/ramdisk.iso")
os.mkdir("/home/wrongbaud/blog/sf-cabinet/ramdisk/")
for entry in target.minfs_file_table:
    if entry.flags != target.FileType.directory:
        with open(f"/home/wrongbaud/blog/sf-cabinet/ramdisk/{entry.name}",'wb') as ofile:
        ofile.write(entry.file_data)
```

Filesystem Analysis: Examining the Binaries

• After running our script to parse the filesystem, we generate the following files:

```
pi@voidstar:~/allhandsactive/sshfs/binaries/output-files $ ls
adec_com.plg
               aenc xxam.drv
                                cedar.ini
                                                 display.drv
                                                                   home.axf
                                                                                     lang.bin
                                                                                                     sf2ceua.zip
adec_mp3.drv
                                cedar.mod
                                                                                     lcd bright.reg
                                                                                                     sf2ce.zip
               aply.plg
                                                 enter.wav
                                                                   home.desktop
adec_xxa3.drv
              app config.bin
                                charset.mod
                                                 epos.img
                                                                   init.axf
                                                                                     logo.bmp
                                                                                                     theme.bin
adec xxaa.drv app config.fex
                                chord.wav
                                                 font16.sft
                                                                                     monitor.drv
                                                                                                     uart.drv
                                                                   key REF.dat
adec_xxam.drv ardr_sw.plg
                                                                   key_REF-New.dat
                                                                                                     volume.req
                                close_scn.reg
                                                 game.wav
                                                                                    mp.drv
adec xxas.drv arec.plg
                                contra.fs
                                                 game wl.axf
                                                                   key REF-old.dat
                                                                                    orange.mod
aenc_mp3.drv
                                default.ini
                                                 game wl.axf.lzma
                                                                   keytest.axf
                                                                                     psr_audio.plg
               auto_off.reg
aenc_pcm.drv
               avs.drv
                                desktop.mod
                                                 game_wl.desktop
                                                                   keytest.desktop
                                                                                     pwm_cfg.ini
               bg_default0.jpg
                                detect gate.reg
                                                 hiscore.dat
                                                                   keytest.mp3
                                                                                     ramdisk.iso
aenc.plg
```

Filesystem Analysis: Conclusion

- Using Kaitai, we were able to develop a parser for this filesystem quickly
 - This was much easier than manually defining the structs in python!
- With the parser generated by Kaitai, we can extract all of the files from the filesystem!
- The parser also worked on the included ramdisk
- Next steps are to further investigate their custom compression

Questions?

Binary Image Structure

Start Address	Component
0	В00Т0
0x6000	B00T1
0x24400	MINFS Filesystem
0x7F000	FAT16 Image