

Fuzzing the USB in your devices

or “How to root your USB-stick”

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- Technical IT-sec background



- Currently in Information Assurance
 - When you're sure it does what it's specified to ...
... how sure are you “it doesn't do anything else”?

Motivation

“Security will not get better until tools for practical exploration of the attack surface are made available.”

Joshua Wright – willhackforsushi.com

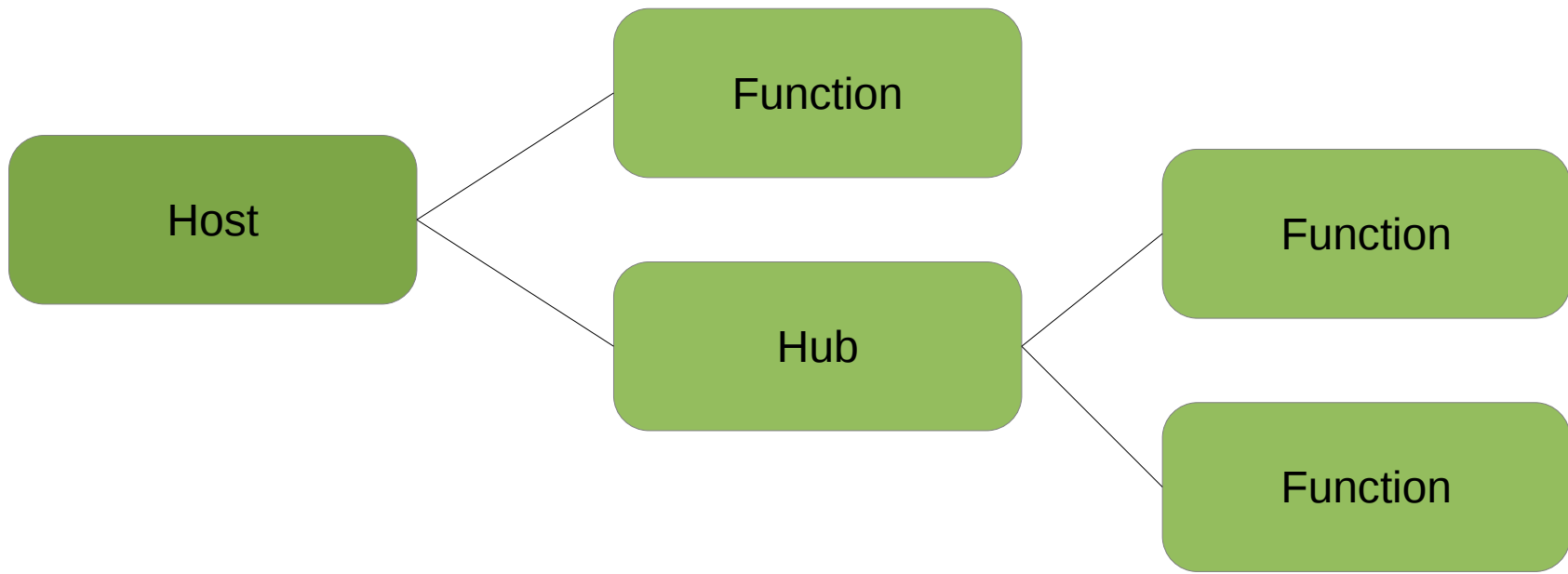
Motivation

- Explore USB attack surface
 - ... of devices!
 - Mobile Devices
 - “Secure” USB Drives
 - “PinPad” Card Readers
 - and more...



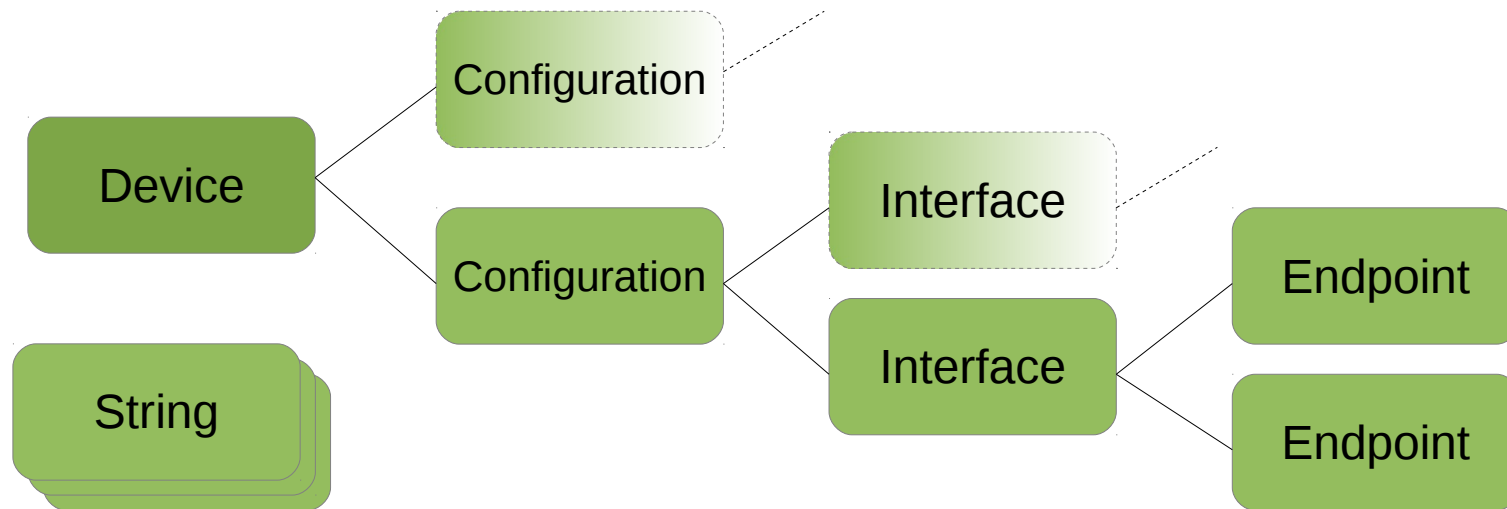
Intro to USB

- Host-controlled “bus”
 - Initiator / Responder - “Host” / “Function”
 - IN / OUT



Intro to USB

- Devices carry “descriptors”
 - Hosts “enumerate” them
 - Configurations, Interfaces, Endpoints



Intro to USB

- Device Classes
 - Indicated in Device descriptor ...
... or in Interface descriptors

Device Classes	
01h	Audio
02h	CDC
03h	HID
05h	Physical
...	...

CDC Sub Classes	
01h	Direct Line
02h	Abstract
03h	Telephone
04h	Multi-Channel
...	...

CDC Interface Protocols	
01h	ITU-T V.250
02h	PCCA-101
03h	PCCA-101 + Annex O
04h	GSM 7.07
...	...

Intro to USB

- Transfer types
 - Control
 - Bulk
 - “Interrupt”
 - Isochronous

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- Transfer types
 - Control
 - Endpoint 0 (EP0), “default” endpoint

Field	Size	Description
bmRequestType	8 bits	Direction, Type, Recipient
bRequest	8 bits	Specific request value
wValue	16 bits	Request specific parameter
wIndex	16 bits	Request specific parameter
wLength	16 bits	Bytes to transfer (if any)

Standard Device Requests	
00h	GET_STATUS
01h	CLEAR_FEATURE
03h	SET_FEATURE
05h	SET_ADDRESS
06h	GET_DESCRIPTOR
07h	SET_DESCRIPTOR
...	...

Intro to USB

- Transfer types
 - Bulk
 - Asynchronous (“bursty”)
 - Use available bandwidth (“laggy”)
 - 2 endpoints (IN/OUT) make a “Pipe”

Intro to USB

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 - “Interrupt”
 - Isochronous

Fuzzing USB Hosts

- Darrin Barrall, David Dewey (2005)
- Moritz Jodeit, Martin Johns (2009)
- Rafael Dominguez Vega (2009)
- Tobias Müller (2010)
- Travis Goodspeed's Facedancer

Fuzzing USB Devices

- Prior work
 - Pod2g, posixninja in 2010
 - Andy Davis @ BHUSA 2011
- Facedancer20
- libusb!

Fuzzing with libusb

- libusb
 - Library for developing userland drivers
 - Works on Linux, Windows, MacOS
 - Nice introduction by Peter Stuge @ 27C3
- Limitations
 - Not expecting some “invalid” input
 - Tends to crash instead of error out
 - Linux kernel performs sanity checks

Building a simple fuzzer

- PyUSB – python interface to libusb
- Let's target Control Transfers
- Simple iterative loops around `ctrl_transfer()`

Demo Time!

Building a simple fuzzer

```
#!/usr/bin/env python

import sys
import usb.core

def TestCtrlTransfer(device, rt, r, v, i):
    for size in (2, 10, 100, 1000, 4000):
        try:
            res = device.ctrl_transfer(rt&0x80, r, v, i, bytearray().fromhex(u'ff'*size))
        except usb.core.USBError as e:
            if (e.backend_error_code != -9): # ignore LIBUSB_ERROR_PIPE
                print('OUT %0.2x %0.2x %0.4x %0.4x err(%i) len(%u)' % (rt, r, v, i, e.backend_error_code, size))
        try:
            res = device.ctrl_transfer(rt|0x80, r, v, i, size)
        except usb.core.USBError as e:
            if (e.backend_error_code != -9): # ignore LIBUSB_ERROR_PIPE
                print('IN %0.2x %0.2x %0.4x %0.4x err(%i) len(%u)' % (rt, r, v, i, e.backend_error_code, size))

arg = sys.argv[1].split(':')
device = usb.core.find(idVendor=int(arg[0],16), idProduct=int(arg[1],16))

for t in range(0, 0x04): # bmRequestType.Type
    for r in range(0, 0x04): # bmRequestType.Recipient
        for q in range(0, 0x100): # bRequest
            for v in range(0, 0x1000): # wValue
                for i in range(0, 0x1000): # wIndex
                    TestCtrlTransfer(device, r|(t<<4), q, v, i)
```


Building a simple fuzzer

- Adding some target control
 - Monitoring
 - Simple: `ctrl_transfer(GET_STATUS)`
 - Better: use a class-specific request
 - Resuming
 - Simple: `device.reset()` to recover device
 - Better: use external hub for power control

Building a simple fuzzer

```
def is_alive(device):  
    res = ""  
    try:  
        res = device.ctrl_transfer(0x80, 0, 0, 0, 2)  
    except usb.core.USBError as e:  
        if e.backend_error_code == -4: # LIBUSB_ERROR_NO_DEVICE  
            print "Device not found!"  
            sys.exit()  
        if e.backend_error_code == -3: # LIBUSB_ERROR_ACCESS  
            print "Access denied to device!"  
            sys.exit()  
        print "GET_STATUS returned error %i" % e.backend_error_code  
        return False  
    if len(res) != 2:  
        print "GET_STATUS returned %u bytes: %s" % (len(res), binascii.hexlify(res))  
        return False  
    return True
```

Building a simple fuzzer

```
def is_alive(device):  
  
    try:  
        device.write(bytearray().fromhex(u'55534243E019EA850002000080000A280000000000000000100000000000000'))  
    except usb.core.USBError as e:  
        if e.backend_error_code == -4: # LIBUSB_ERROR_NO_DEVICE  
            raise Exception('Function check failed: device not present!')  
        elif e.backend_error_code == -6: #LIBUSB_ERROR_BUSY  
            raise Exception('Function check failed: function is busy!')  
        else:  
            print "Function check failed: usb error %i" % e.backend_error_code  
            return False  
  
    try:  
        res = ep_in.read(readlen)  
    except usb.core.USBError as e:  
        print "Function check failed: usb error %i" % e.backend_error_code  
        return False  
  
    if len(res) != 0x206:  
        print "Function check returned %u bytes: %s" % (len(res), binascii.hexlify(res))  
        return False  
  
    return True
```

Extending our reach

- Reach more complex code!
- Device Classes
 - Audio, CDC, HID, Image, Printer, Mass Storage, Hub, Smart Card, Video, Wireless Controller, DFU, Vendor Specific

http://www.usb.org/developers/defined_class/

http://www.usb.org/developers/devclass_docs/

First attempt: Peach

- Very easy to add pyUSB “Publisher”
- Data modelling and test cases in XML
 - Very cumbersome to work with state
- Target control framework: “Agents”
 - Not built for controlling local devices

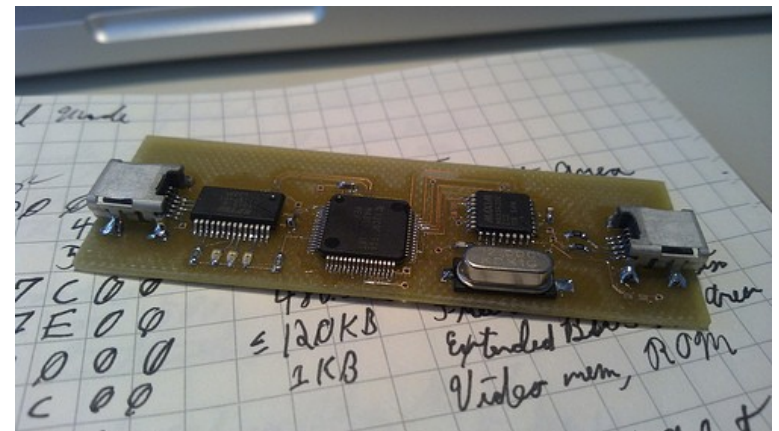
Second attempt: Scapy

- Scapy for data modelling
 - Abstracts data as “Layers” of “Packets”
 - Keeps everything in python!
 - Easy use of python code for “fixups”
- Easy reuse of code with Facedancer!
 - Travis Goodspeed, Ryan Speers
 - <http://rmspeers.com/archives/252>

Demo Time!

Helpful tools

- Total Phase Beagle USB
 - <http://www.totalphase.com/protocols/usb/>
- Travis Goodspeed's Facedancer
 - <http://goodfet.sourceforge.net/>



Get the code

<https://github.com/ollseg/usb-device-fuzzing>

Will gladly accept pull requests...

Examples of bugs found

First bug found

- Atmel AT91SAM7 example USB code
 - Prevalent in devices using Atmel MCUs
- Off-by-one on string descriptor index
 - `ctrl_transfer(0x80, 6, 3<<8 | i+1, 0, len)`

```
/* -----  
 *           ATMEL Microcontroller Software Support  
 * -----  
 * Copyright (c) 2008, Atmel Corporation  
<snip>  
static void GetDescriptor(  
    const USBDDriver *pDriver,  
    unsigned char type,  
    unsigned char index,  
    unsigned int length)  
{  
<snip>  
    // Check the descriptor type  
    switch (type) {  
<snip>  
        case USBGenericDescriptor_STRING:  
            TRACE_INFO_WP("Str%d ", index);  
  
            // Check if descriptor exists  
            if (index > numStrings) {  
  
                USBD_Stall(0);  
            }  
            else {  
  
                pString = pStrings[index];
```

Bugs in Nokia phones

- Random crashes while fuzzing
- Seemed related to “large” Control Transfers
- Looks like a stack buffer overwrite
- Threw together a 5-line python PoC

DEMO TIME!

Bugs in USB-Sticks

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Exploiting a USB-stick

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Future work

- Support more protocols
- Reaching deeper into targets
- <https://wiki.mozilla.org/WebUSB/>
- Travis Goodspeed's Facedancer!

Thank You!

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