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Take Unauthorized Control Over ZigBee Devices

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Why is this talk relevant to you ?

 Cause hackers might be able to control your ZigBee enabled appliances without authorization, this talk will teach you how to prevent it.



What will you learn from the talk ?

You will learn, step by step ,how to hack ZigBee enabled devices ,and you will also learn some techniques to protect your ZigBee appliance from being hacked.



"ZigBee is the only open, global wireless standard to provide the foundation for the Internet of Things by enabling simple and smart objects to work together, improving comfort and efficiency in everyday life"



"ZigBee is the wireless language that everyday devices use to connect to one another. In fact, ZigBee could be at work in your home right now"



- Technological Standard Created for Control and Sensor Networks
- Based on the IEEE 802.15.4 Standard
- •Low-power, low data rate wireless protocol
- Widely used in the Internet of Things
- Widely adapted in applications that require low power consumption
- Flexible network topology

ZigBee network topology



And then what is Zstack?

An specific implementation of ZigBee Stack from Texas Instruments based on its CC2530 (which is IEEE80.15.4 enabled)chip, in other words, ZigBee standard is written in plaintext while Zstack is written in code.

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Security in ZigBee

ZigBee security is based on symmetric keys and both originator and recipient of a protected transaction need to share the same key.

Key distribution schemes

- Pre-installation
- Transport
- Establishment

Three key types

- Master key
- Link key
- Network key



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Hacking ZigBee device step by step

Following is a schematic diagram of a smart bulb system:





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Hacking ZigBee device step by step

3 Normal control flows:









Hacking ZigBee device step by step

What we want is to directly control the bulb via our own ZigBee node:



The keys are stored in every node in the network ,as the blub is harder to disassemble so we chose to extract the keys from the gateway.





Zigbee Bulb

Gateway

Find the encryption key from

firmware

As the red arrow indicates ,the debug interface is right there, we solder on a few wires, connect it to a debugger, and used TI's SmartRF Flash Programmer to dump the firmware.



Gateway being praised open



Debugger used to extract firmware

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Screenshot of TI's SmartRF Flash Programmer

Now we got THE firmware, what is next?

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Let's do "Firmware Diving" Searching through firmware for keys



First set the keys to have distinct signature, then find it in the firmware and see if we could discover something interesting.

As the key is used to encrypt the packets ,why not try to find the instructions that manipulate the keys ?

Bingo ! We found that the instructions used to manipulate the keys have relatively fixed patern (shown in the next slide) and the four consecutive move instructions could be used as a filter (or signature) for the address of the keys



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Find the encryption key from

firmware

Then we use the four consecutive move instructions' corresponding machine code and operand (75 08 ? 75 09 ? 75 0A) as a filter to search through the firmware for the address of the keys.

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Verify The Keys

In order to verify the keys, we utilized the MIC (message integrity check) contained in the packet, and if the deciphered packet can pass the MIC, we can assert that we find the right keys.



ZigBee Packet structure

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A sniffer used to capture the packets



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Find the encryption key by sniffing

The following screenshot shows the process of a new node joining the network, and the figure is quite self-explanatory. The network key is sent from the coordinator to the joining device in plaintext, and after receiving the network key the communication is immediately encrypted.



Find the encryption key by sniffing

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"Utilize" the keys found

I wouldn't say that after we found the key we could do some data mining to find the users habit etc, cause that would be a little bit farfetched, but the following are some very practical attacks we can perform:

- Analysis of the deciphered data
- Replay& Spoof
- Intercept
- Disassociation attack



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Analysis of the deciphered data

After we deciphered the data , in order to take control over the target device ,we have to analyze the application level data and the results are as following:

Byte0	0x04
Byte1	Target PANID
Byte2	
Byte3	Unknown
Byte4	Mode
Byte5	Red
Byte6	Green
Byte7	Blue
Byte8	Illuminance
Byte9	Checksum

Analysis of the deciphered data

The payload is 10 byte in length, with the last byte being the xor checksum of the foregoing bytes, the byte1 and byte2 is the PANID of the target device (the bulb in our case). Now we can control the bulb with our own node.

Byte0	0x04				
Byte1					
Byte2	Target PANID				
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Take control



A Zigbee node we made and we used it to control the bulb

Replay& Spoof





Disassociation attack



Disassociation Sequence

Hacking for Protection

Only talking about attacks and leaving protection aside goes against the ethos of Defcon and the whole hacker community I guess, so here come tips for prevention or, at least, mitigation:

- Store hash of the encryption key instead of plaintext.
- Don't use OTA (over the air) key provisioning scheme, use preinstall or key negotiation instead.
- Blow the fuse to prevent the firmware from being dumped.
- Employ some light weight encryption on the application data to make the analysis of application data harder after key compromise.

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