# Embedded devices, an AntiVirus-free safe hideout for Malware MALWARE MIGRATING TO GAMING CONSOLES

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#### Introduction

- Embedded systems(gaming consoles, smartphones, etc.) have enough hardware for malware for malware to survive and perform it's job
- There were not so many publicly disclosed issues of malware on these devices which make people think that they are safe
- The possibilities of malware on embedded systems and the resulting destructive effects will be shown in this presentation with some real world examples, along with some possible defenses

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# Background Knowledge

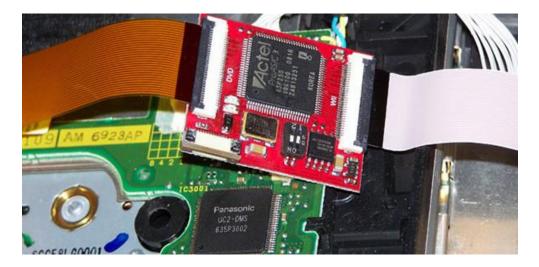


## The pirate scene of Gamine consoles and Smartphones

Background Knowledge

#### Payed software being illegally downloaded

 Most embedded devices implement anti pirate Measures by some means, but these protections are eventually bypassed





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#### The distribution of illegal software

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# The current state of malware on embedded devices

Background Knowledge

#### Malware on Gaming Consoles

- Acting like a useful homebrew application, and lures the user to install it
- Acting like an essential bypassing tool or crack, and eventually wrecking the device

- TBD



#### Malware on Smartphones

- Worm that targets jailbroken iphones using a default password

- TBD

Background Knowledge - The current state of malware on embedded devices



# The mindset of the general public

Background Knowledge

#### Users not concerned about malware on embedded devices

- Users feeling safe by not using apps that look 'fishy'
- Most of those people do not even give a second thought before installing the downloaded software, and merely just check that the application works



#### However...

- These devices are capable of bringing the same negative effects of PC malware, and the boundry of these devices and a PC is getting very thin due to the evolution of hardware
- Most recent Gaming Consoles contain hardware to connect to the network so an almost ideal environment for malware to survive and perform it's task is provided.



# The attacker's point of view



# Gaming console acting like a computer

The attacker's point of view

#### The hardware and software development environment

- Most embedded devices contain a high quality CPU, I/O devices, and network devices
- SDKs not officially provided by the manufacturer, but users can create legit software that runs on the device(via homebrew) with a custom development environment



The attacker's point of view - Gaming console acting like a computer

## Hacking with NDS

- Attacking and taking control of a PC
- Demo : Using NDS to attack a PC on the network with a public remote exploit



## Hacking with NDS

- Attacking the network
- Demo : Using NDS to bring down a network

The attacker's point of view - Gaming console acting like a computer



## Hacking with NDS

- Attacking the network
- Demo : Using NDS to inject malicious code by modifying packets



# Malware injection on existing games

The attacker's point of view

#### The inner workings of games running on Wii

- executables files are files with .dol extension
- they are essentially a stripped down version of an elf file
- system menu -> apploader -> .dol
- .dol files(and sometimes .rel files) contain all code needed for the game to run

#### How custom code can be injected

- Merge 2 dol files
- Update header information
- Inject code that transfers execution to the game .dol after the execution of the injected .dol
- Fix a few problematic parts in the binary

Start	End	Length	Description
0x0	0x3	4	File offset to start of Text0
0x04	0x1b	24	File offsets for Text16
0x1c	0x47	44	File offsets for Data010
0x48	0x4B	4	Loading address for Text0
0x4C	0x8F	68	Loading addresses for Text16, Data010
0x90	0xD7	72	Section sizes for Text06, Data010
0xD8	0xDB	4	BSS address
0xDC	0xDF	4	BSS size
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#### How custom code can be injected

- Demo : POC of wii malware injection

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The attacker's point of view - Malware injection on existing games



#### Malware on Wii

- Modifying the game files and injecting custom code
- Demo : Malware(network down) in live action while the game is playing

The attacker's point of view - Malware injection on existing games



#### Malware on Wii

- Modifying the game files and injecting custom code
- Demo : Malware(attack remote host) in live action while the game is playing



#### Malware on Wii

- Modifying the game files and injecting custom code
- Demo : Malware(attack ap & dns pharming) in live action while the game is playing



# Malware injected into Smartphone applications

The attacker's point of view

#### Malware on Smartphones

- Injecting malware on Android applications
- Demo : POC of code injection on an existing application

#### Malware on Smartphones

- Injecting malware on iPhone applications
- Demo : POC of code injection on an existing application

# Preparation - Our defenses



# When designing a new device

- How to prevent embedded devices from attacking other hosts
- How to prevent attacks coming from embedded devices

#### Service, Security companies

## Measurements in Software or Policies

- How to detect malicious software for embedded devices and prevent the propagation of malware
- How to effectively verify the integrity of a large number of applications

## embedded device users

- How to safely use an embedded device
- How to protect yourself from potential attacks



## Conclusion



#### Conclusion

- There are no doubts that malware can run on embedded devices, and there may already be some running in the wild
- These malware can be equally strong as those on PC, so one must be fully aware
- Not only Gaming Consoles of Smartphones, but any other future embedded device may become a target, so users should be careful and be prepared

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