Smart home appliance security and malware

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Why Smart TV?

The most popular smart device in real life

TVs are everywhere

If you bought a new TV recently, chances are you own a Smart TV

A viewing device – smart features can be useful

IoT is in its infancy, yet Smart TV has been around for more than 3-4 years

Smart TVs are usually manufactured by home appliance companies

- Samsung, LG, Panasonic

In many cases, IoT devices are started by small companies

Samsung TV

Dec/2012: A file retrieval vulnerability found by Revuln researchers

Jan/2013: Multiple flaws disclosed by University of Amsterdam researchers

Mar/2013: Local attack and rootkit technique presented by Seungjin Lee

Aug/2013: Remote web based attack scenario presented by researchers from iSEC partners

Jan/2014: Remote attack through FFmpeg flaw was disclosed by Berlin Institute of Technology researchers

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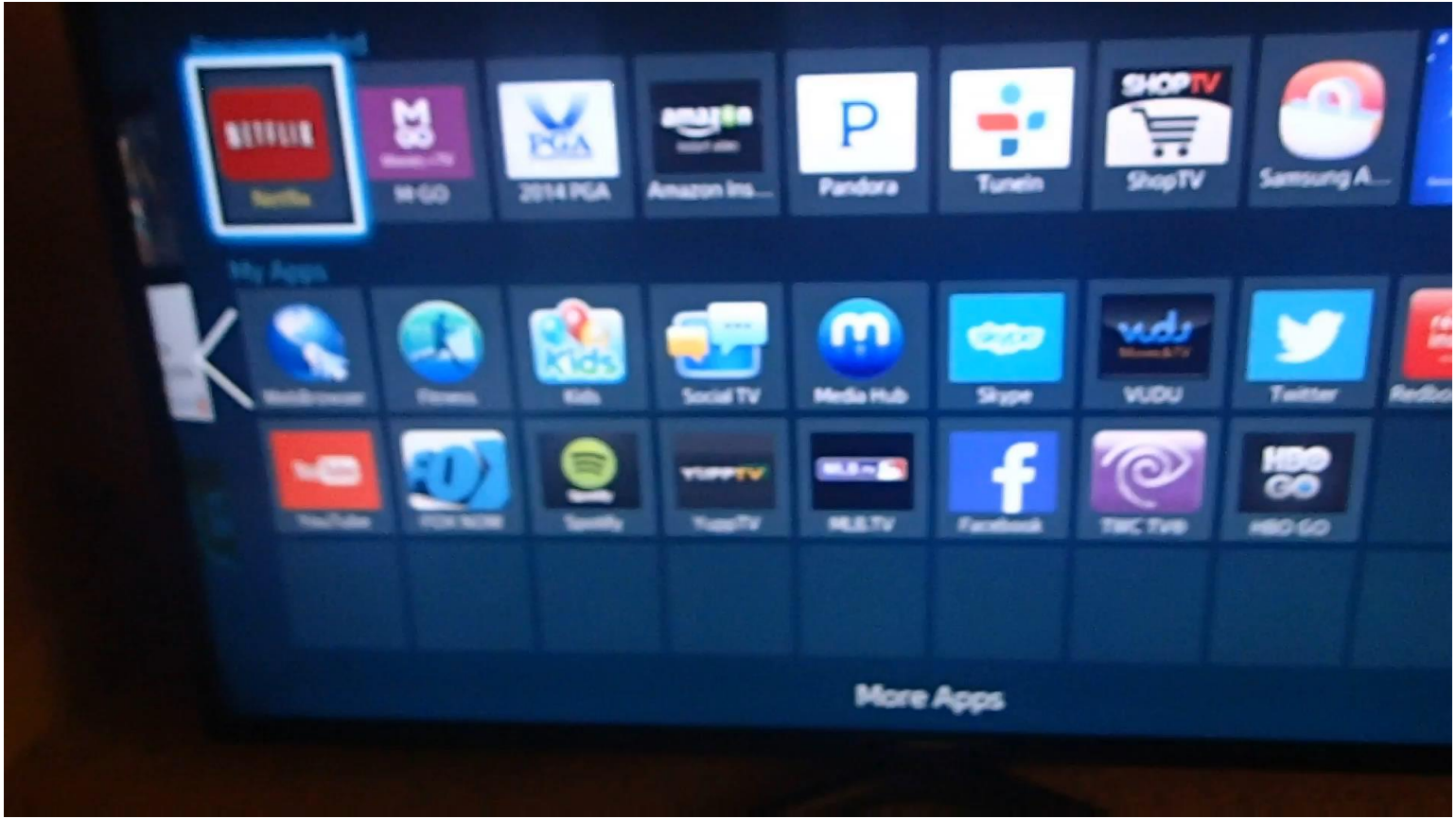
Remote access

SmartView – iPhone Use



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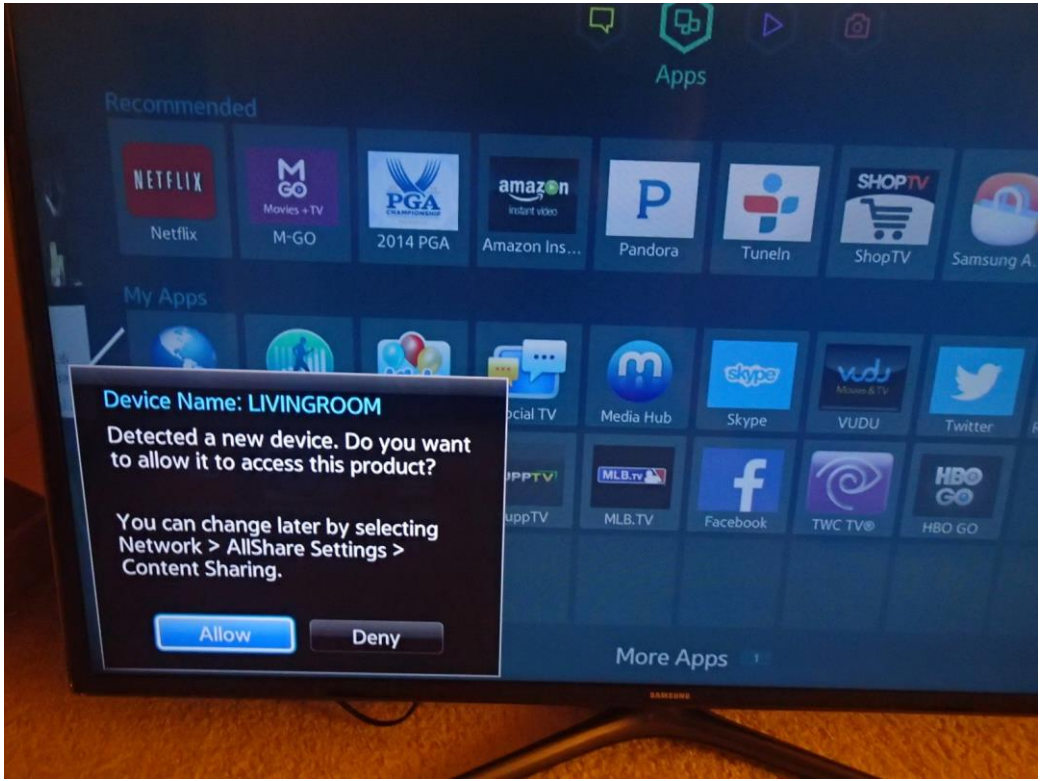

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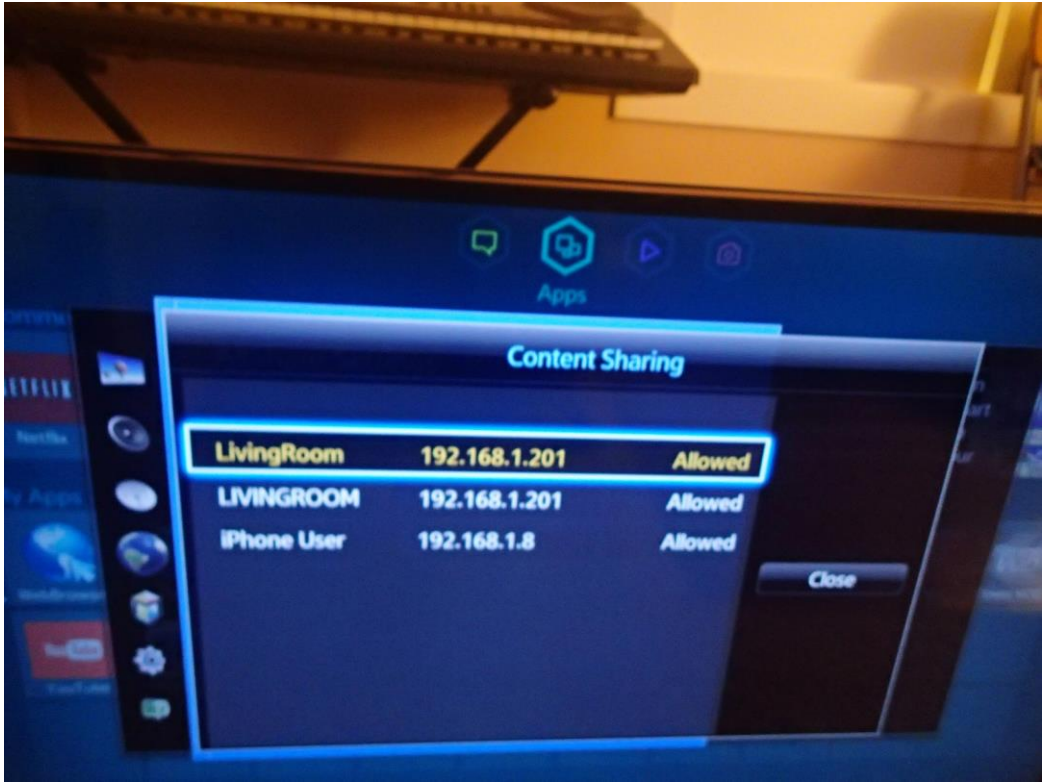

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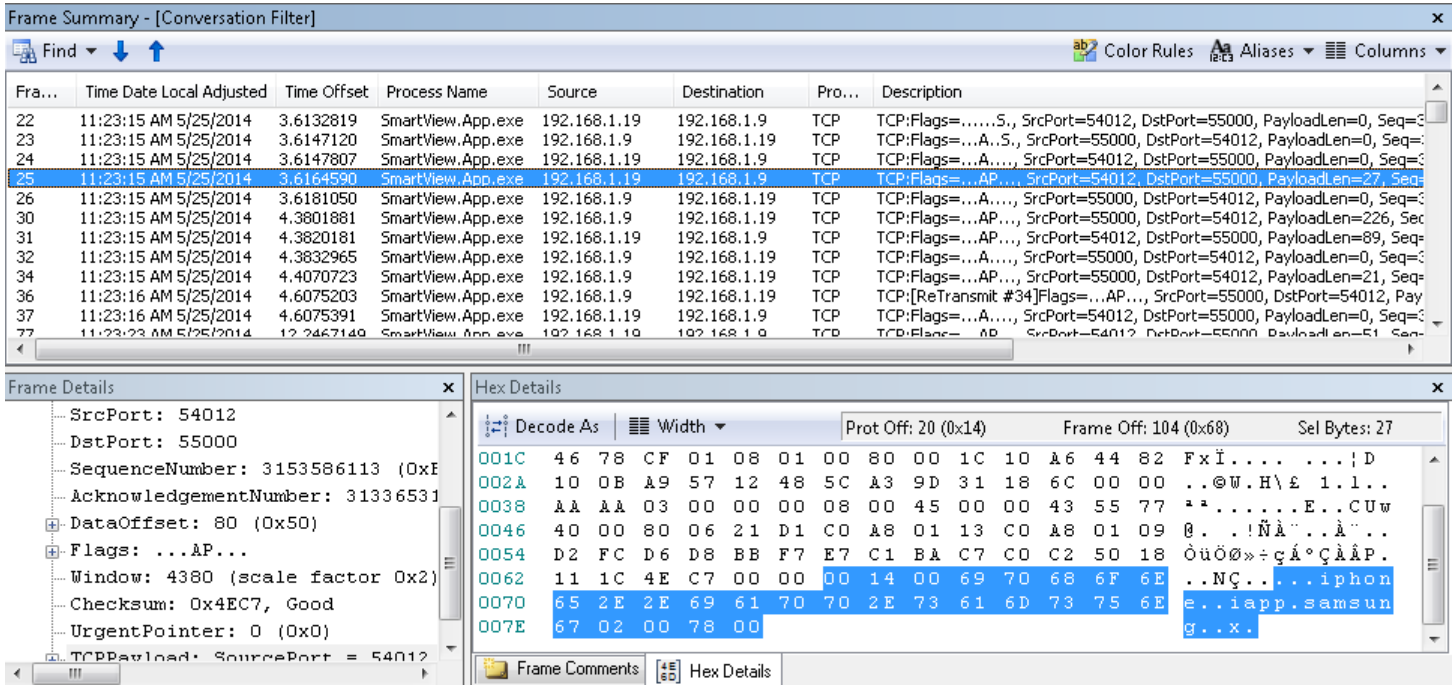

CTVControlManager::RecvProcess(void)

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MOV             R3, R0
MOV             R1, #3
MOV             R0, #1
LDR             R2, =aValidPacketSoc ; "@@@@@@@@@@ Valid Packet Socket %d, %d\n"
STR             R5, [SP,#0x3044+var_3044]
BL              _ZN7CCDebug5PrintI13CCDebugRemoteEEvmmPKcz ; CCDebug::Print<CCDebugRemote>(ulong,ulong,char const*,...)
SUB             R1, R11, #-var_1000
MOV             R0, R6
SUB             R1, R1, #0x38
BL              _ZN17CTVControlManager13PacketParsingER6Packet ; CTVControlManager::PacketParsing(Packet &)
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CTVControlManager::PacketParsing(Packet &)

```
MOV             R0, R9
BL              _ZN17CRemoteACLManager12ACL_GetCountEv ; CRemoteACLManager::ACL_GetCount(void)
MOV             R1, #3
LDR             R2, =aIappTotalCount ; "iAPP Total Count = %d\n"
MOV             R3, R0
MOV             R0, #1
BL              _ZN7CCDebug5PrintI13CCDebugRemoteEEvmmPKcz ; CCDebug::Print<CCDebugRemote>(ulong,ulong,char const*,...)
LDR             R2, =unk_7711C70
MOV             R0, R9
LDR             R1, =unk_7713C70
ADD             R3, R2, #0x1000
BL              _ZN17CRemoteACLManager19ACL_CheckPermmittedEPKcS1_S1_ ; CRemoteACLManager::ACL_CheckPermmitted(char const*,char const*,char const*)
CMP             R0, #1
BEQ             loc_2DDBC58
```

CRemoteACLManager::ACL_CheckPermmitted(char const*, char const*, char const*)

```
loc_2DCC8C8             ; int
MOV             R1, R4
MOV             R2, R8  ; dest
MOV             R3, R10 ; int
MOV             R0, R6  ; int
STMEA           SP, {R5,R7}
BL              _ZN17CRemoteACLManager11ACL_GetItemEiPcS0_S0_S0_ ; CRemoteACLManager::ACL_GetItem(int,char *,char *,char *,char *)
MOV             R0, #1
MOV             R3, R4
MOV             R1, #3
LDR             R2, =aDSSSS ; "%d = %s, %s, %s, %s\n"
ADD             R4, R4, R0
STR             R8, [SP,#0x244+var_244]
STR             R10, [SP,#0x244+var_240]
STR             R5, [SP,#0x244+var_23C]
STR             R7, [SP,#0x244+var_238]
BL              _ZN7CCDebug5PrintI13CCDebugRemoteEEvmmPKcz ; CCDebug::Print<CCDebugRemote>(ulong,ulong,char const*,...)
MOV             R0, #1
MOV             R1, #3
LDR             R2, =(aCpapi_prepar_0+0x3C)
MOV             R3, R5
BL              _ZN7CCDebug5PrintI13CCDebugRemoteEEvmmPKcz ; CCDebug::Print<CCDebugRemote>(ulong,ulong,char const*,...)
LDR             R0, [R11,#s1] ; s1
MOV             R1, R5  ; s2
BL              strcmp
CMP             R0, #0
BNE             loc_2DCC9AC
```

Vulnerability #1: Weak authentication design

Field	Data	Format	Description
Uknown	00	Unknown	Unknown
Length	14 00	Short	Length of the following string
String	69 70 68 6F 6E 65 2E 2E 69 61 70 70 2E 73 61 6D 73 75 6E 67	String	iphone..iapp.samsung
Payload Length	40 00	Short	0x40 bytes of payload
Uknown	64 00	Unknown	Unknown
Length	10 00	Short	Length of the following string
IP Address	4D 54 6B 79 4C 6A 45 32 4F 43 34 78 4C 6A 45 35	BASE64 String	Encoded: MTkyLjE2OC4xLjE5 Decoded: 192.168.1.19
Length	18 00	Short	Length of the following string
MAC	4D 54 41 74 4D 45 49 74 51 54 6B 74 4E 54 63 74 4D 54 49 74 4E 44 67 3D	BASE64 String	Encoded: MTAtMEItQTktNTctMTItNDg= Decode: 10-0B-A9-57-12-48
Length	10 00	Short	Length of the following string
Hostname	51 31 4A 42 57 6C 6C 44 54 30 39 4C 53 55 55 3D	BASE64 String	Encoded: Q1JBWllDT09LSUU= Decode: CRAZYCOOKIE

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Offset(h)  00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 0A 0B 0C 0D 0E 0F

00000000   00 14 00 69 70 68 6F 6E 65 2E 2E 69 61 70 70 2E   ...iphone..iapp.
00000010   73 61 6D 73 75 6E 67 40 00 64 00 10 00 4D 54 6B   samsung@.d...MTk
00000020   79 4C 6A 45 32 4F 43 34 78 4C 6A 45 35 18 00 4D   yLjE2OC4xLjE5..M
00000030   54 41 74 4D 45 49 74 51 54 6B 74 4E 54 63 74 4D   TAtMEItQTktNTctM
00000040   54 49 74 4E 44 67 3D 10 00 51 31 4A 42 57 6C 6C   TItNDg=..Q1JBWll
00000050   44 54 30 39 4C 53 55 55 3D                        DT09LSUU=
```

The authentication packet only needs IP address, MAC and hostname for authentication

Vulnerability #2: Weak MAC authentication

Field	Data	Format	Description
Uknown	00	Unknown	Unknown
Length	14 00	Short	Length of the following string
String	69 70 68 6F 6E 65 2E 2E 69 61 70 70 2E 73 61 6D 73 75 6E 67	String	iphone..iapp.samsung
Payload Length	40 00	Short	0x40 bytes of payload
Uknown	64 00	Unknown	Unknown
Length	10 00	Short	Length of the following string
IP Address	4D 54 6B 79 4C 6A 45 32 4F 43 34 78 4C 6A 45 35	BASE64 String	Encoded: MTkyLjE2OC4xLjE5 Decoded: 192.168.1.19
Length	18 00	Short	Length of the following string
MAC	4D 54 41 74 4D 45 49 74 51 54 6B 74 4E 54 63 74 4D 54 49 74 4E 44 67 3D	BASE64 String	Encoded: MTAtMEItQTktNTctMTItNDg= Decode: 10-0B-A9-57-12-48
Length	10 00	Short	Length of the following string
Hostname	51 31 4A 42 57 6C 6C 44 54 30 39 4C 53 55 55 3D	BASE64 String	Encoded: Q1JBWllDT09LSUU= Decode: CRAZYCOOKIE

```
Offset(h)  00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 0A 0B 0C 0D 0E 0F

00000000   00 14 00 69 70 68 6F 6E 65 2E 2E 69 61 70 70 2E   ...iphone..iapp.
00000010   73 61 6D 73 75 6E 67 40 00 64 00 10 00 4D 54 6B   samsung@.d...MTk
00000020   79 4C 6A 45 32 4F 43 34 78 4C 6A 45 35 18 00 4D   yLjE2OC4xLjE5..M
00000030   54 41 74 4D 45 49 74 51 54 6B 74 4E 54 63 74 4D   TAtMEItQTktNTctM
00000040   54 49 74 4E 44 67 3D 10 00 51 31 4A 42 57 6C 6C   TItNDg=..Q1JBWll
00000050   44 54 30 39 4C 53 55 55 3D                        DT09LSUU=
```

In reality, only the MAC address is used for authentication

Vulnerability #3: NULL MAC Authentication

Field	Data	Format	Description
Uknown	00	Unknown	Unknown
Length	14 00	Short	Length of the following string
String	69 70 68 6F 6E 65 2E 2E 69 61 70 70 2E 73 61 6D 73 75 6E 67	String	Ascii: iphone..iapp.samsung
Payload Length	08 00	String	0x08 bytes of payload
Uknown	64 00	Unknown	Unknown
Length	00 00	Short	Length of the following string
IP Address		BASE64 String	Empty
Length	00 00	Short	Length of the following string
MAC		BASE64 String	Empty
Length	00 00	Short	Length of the following string
Hostname		BASE64 String	Empty

```
Offset(h)  00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 0A 0B 0C 0D 0E 0F
00000000   01 14 00 69 70 68 6F 6E 65 2E 2E 69 61 70 70 2E  ...iphone..iapp.
00000010   73 61 6D 73 75 6E 67 08 00 64 00 00 00 00 00 00  samsung..d......
00000020   00                                               .
```

A NULL value in the MAC address bypasses any MAC authentication

Vulnerability #4: iPhone MAC Authentication

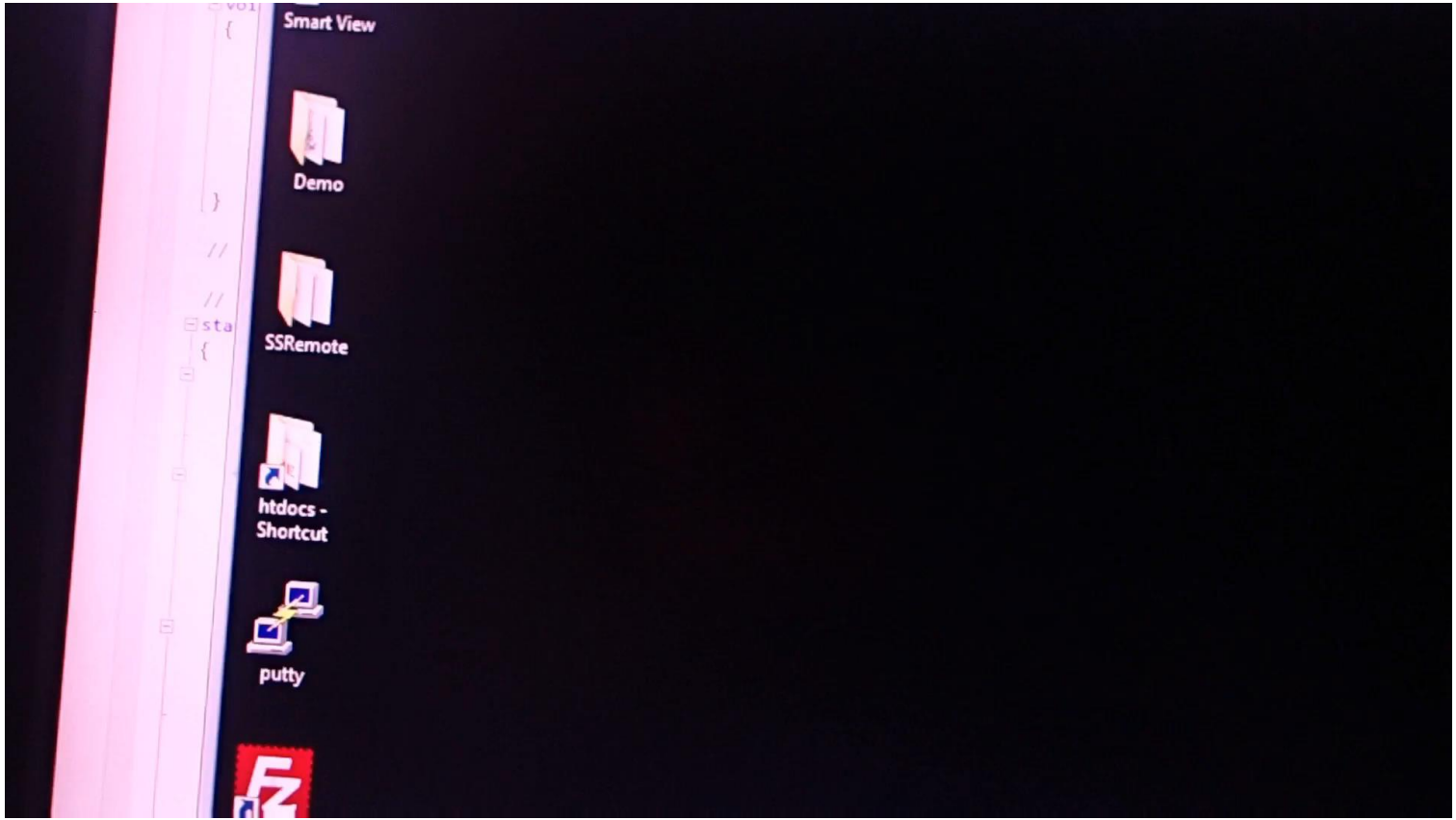
iOS7 and up always returns '02-00-00-00-00-00' when the app tries to retrieve the MAC address for the device

The SmartView App for iOS blindly uses this value for authentication

Any TV authorized with these devices will be prone to MAC attack

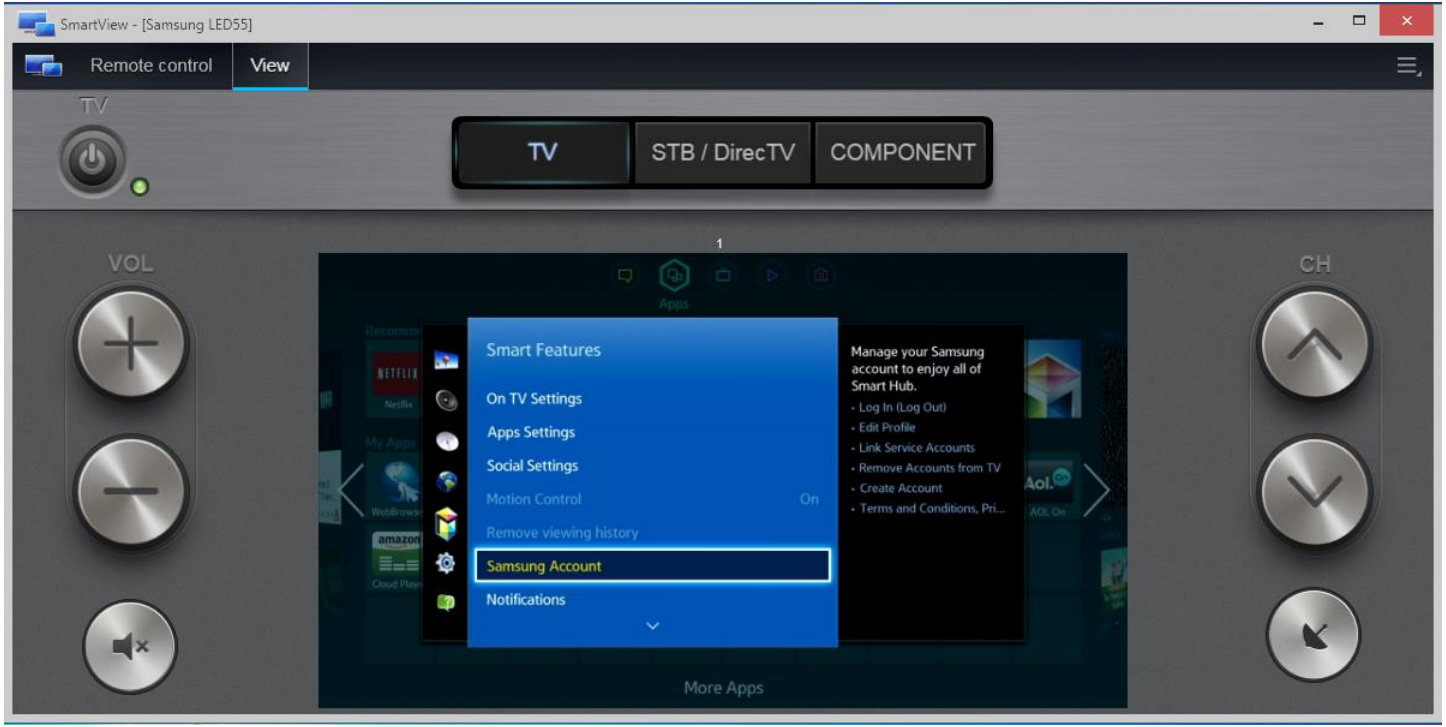
You can just re-use the well-known iPhone MAC address '02-00-00-00-00-00' for authentication

Content sharing - attacker



Installing apps remotely

Developer account



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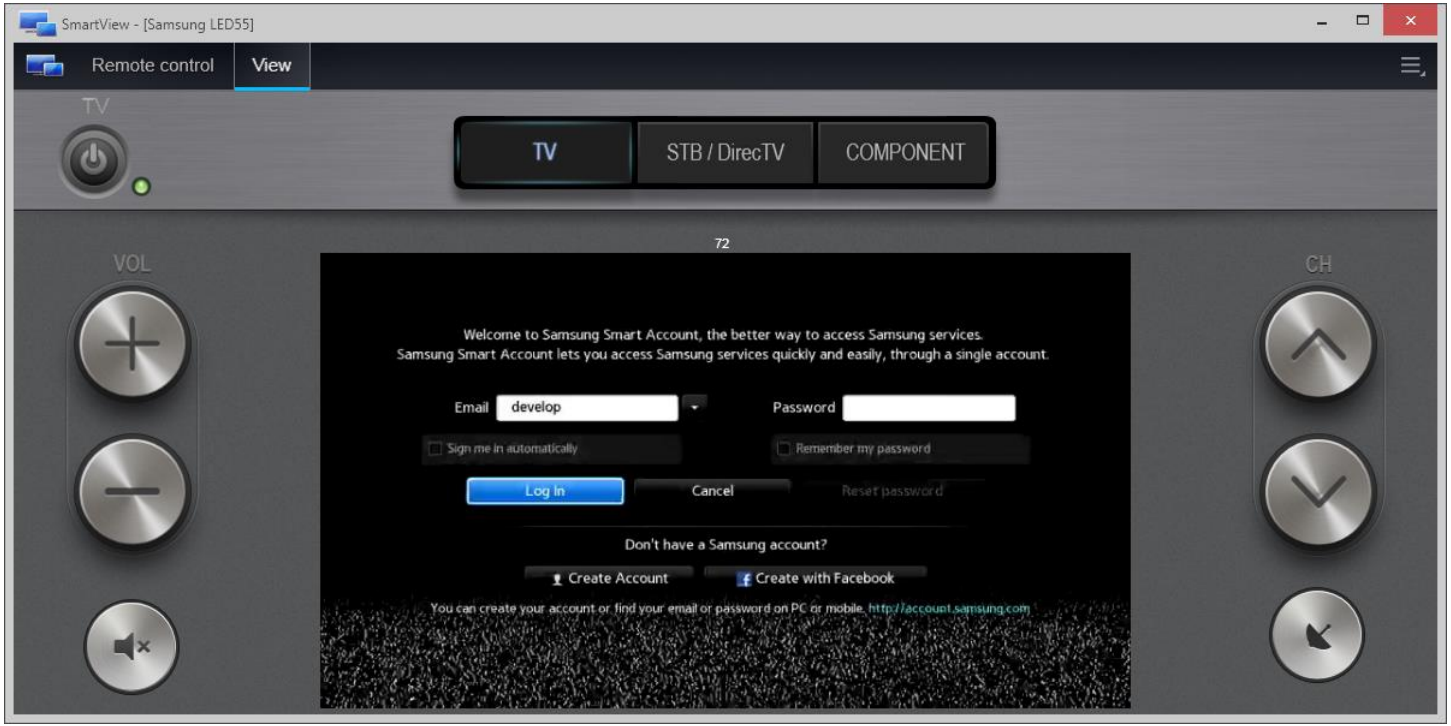
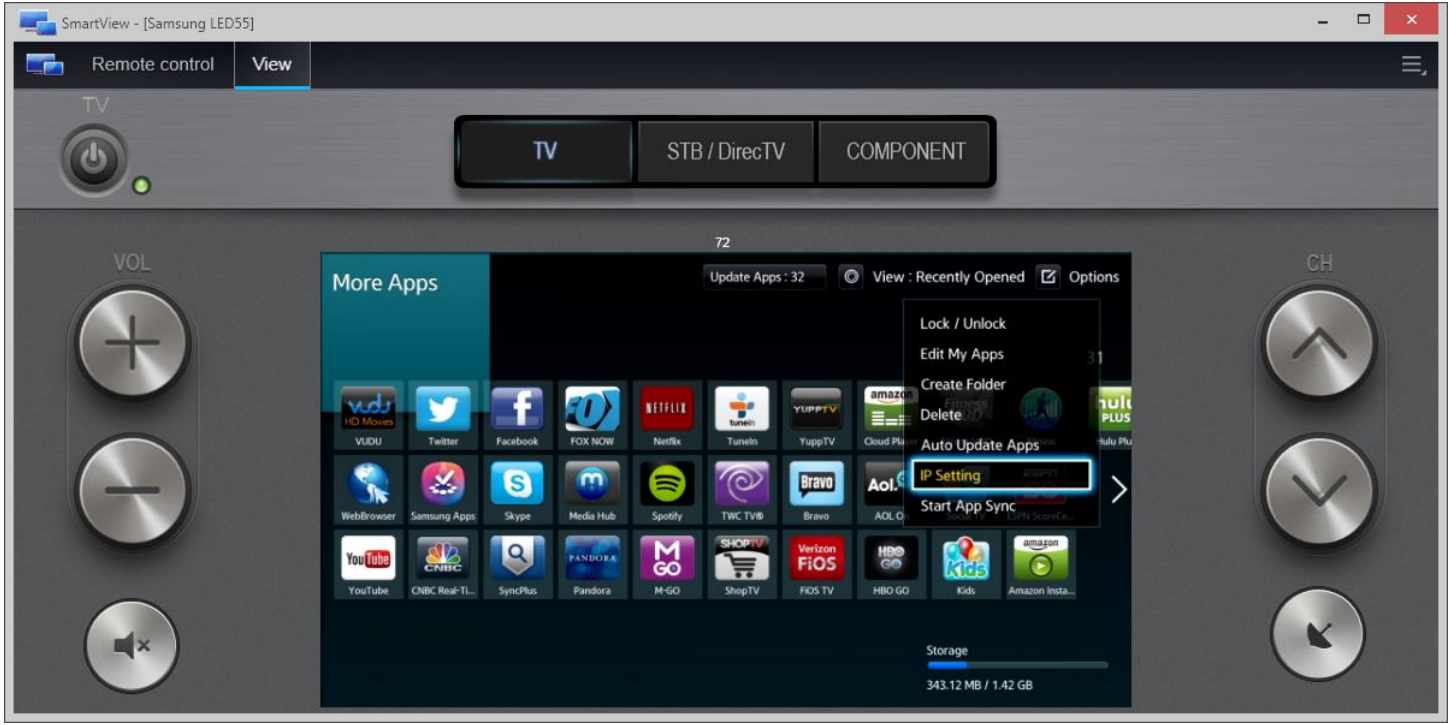
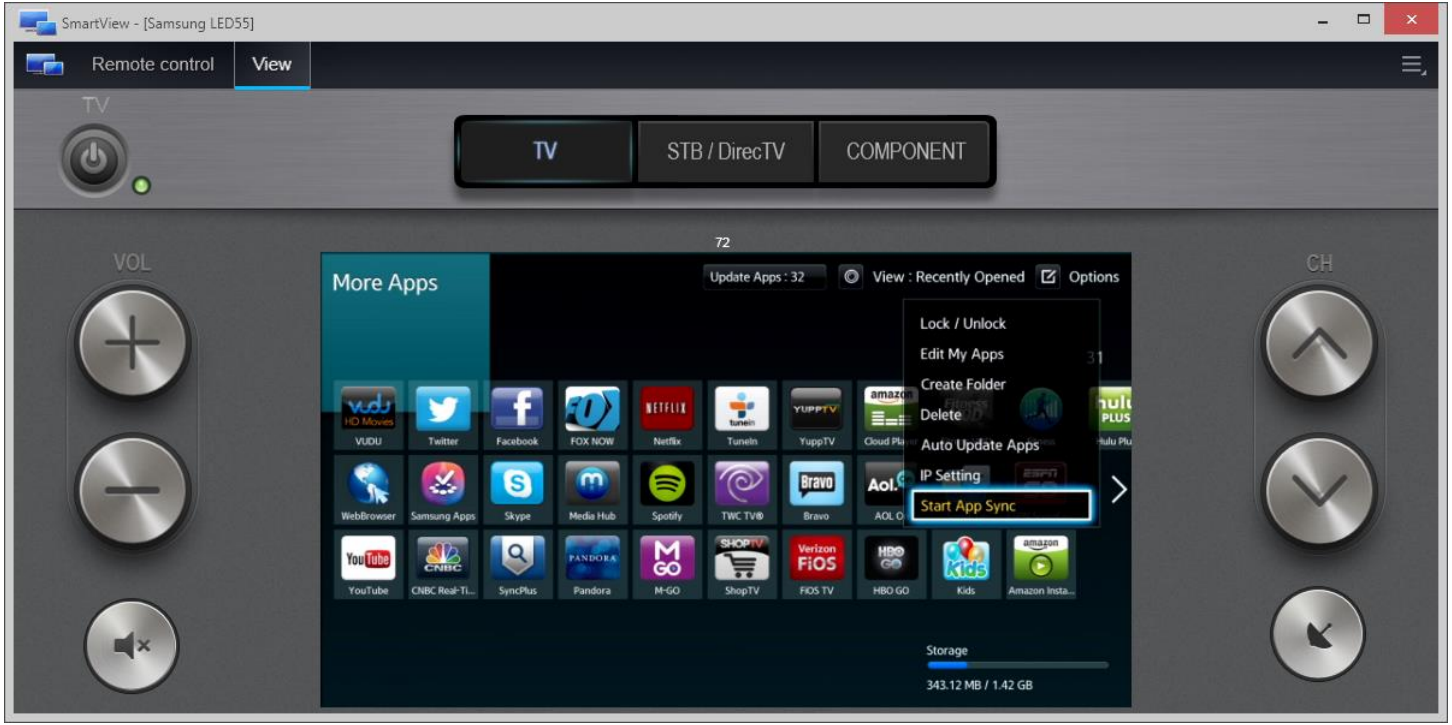


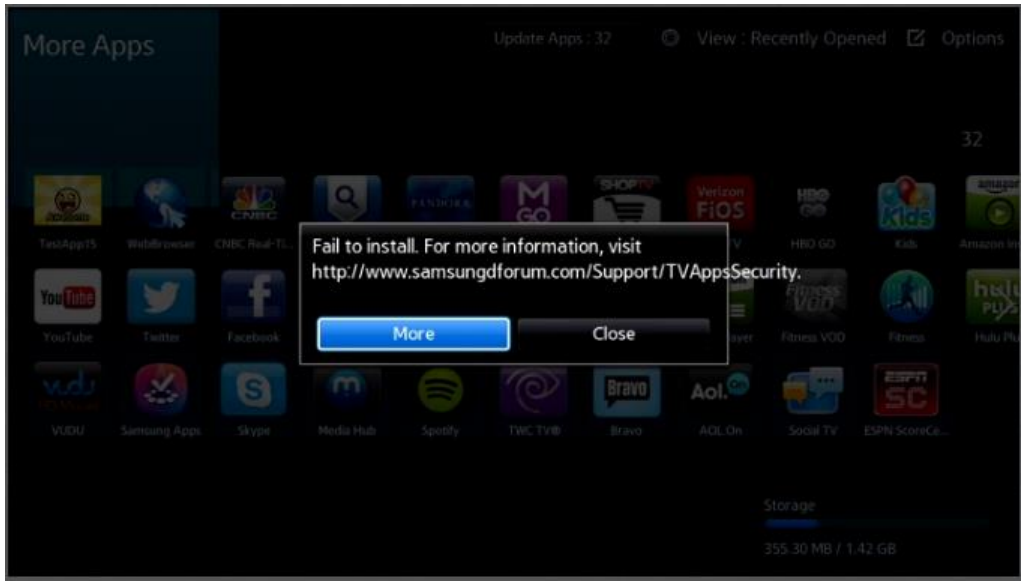
Setting developer web server



Start app sync – begin installation



Security violation



- You can't embed ELF binaries inside the package
- It triggers a security violation

CELFBinaryChecker::AnalysisELFBinaryMain

```
; RunResult __fastcall CELFBinaryEngine_1_00::CELFBinaryChecker::AnalysisELFBinaryMain(CELFBinaryEngine_1_00::CELF
EXPORT _ZN21CELFBinaryEngine_1_0017CELFBinaryChecker21AnalysisELFBinaryMainEPSt6vectorISsSaISsEERS3_
_ZN21CELFBinaryEngine_1_0017CELFBinaryChecker21AnalysisELFBinaryMainEPSt6vector1SsSaISsEERS3_

format= -0x2C
var_20= -0x20
var_1C= -0x1C
var_18= -0x18

this = R0               ; CELFBinaryEngine_1_00::CELFBinaryChecker *const
appsFilesLocationList = R1; std::vector<std::basic_string<char,std::char_traits<char>,std::allocator<char> >,std::
returnInformations = R2 ; std::vector<std::basic_string<char,std::char_traits<char>,std::allocator<char> >,std::al
STMFD           SP!, {R4-R7,R11,LR}
MOV             R7, returnInformations
LDR             R6, =(_ZZN21CELFBinaryEngine_1_0017CELFBinaryChecker5IsELFEPhE12__FUNCTION__ - 0x4CD0)
ADD             R11, SP, #0x14
LDR             returnInformations, =(aS - 0x4CEC)
returnInformations = R7 ; std::vector<std::basic_string<char,std::char_traits<char>,std::allocator<char> >,std::al
SUB             SP, SP, #0x18 ; format
ADD             R6, PC, R6 ; "IsELF"
MOV             R4, appsFilesLocationList
ADD             R6, R6, #8
MOV             R5, this
MOV             appsFilesLocationList, #3 ; level
appsFilesLocationList = R4; std::vector<std::basic_string<char,std::char_traits<char>,std::allocator<char> >,std::
MOV             this, #0xD ; module
this = R5               ; CELFBinaryEngine_1_00::CELFBinaryChecker *const
MOV             R3, R6
ADD             R2, PC, R2 ; "[%s] "
BL              j__ZN7CCDebug5PrintI10CCDebugPSAEEvmmPKcz ; CCDebug::Print<CCDebugPSA>(ulong,ulong,char const*,...
LDMIA           appsFilesLocationList, {R2,R12}
MOV             R3, R6
MOV             R0, #0xD ; module
RSB             R12, R2, R12
LDR             R2, =(aSTargetAppsFil - 0x4D10)
MOV             R1, #3  ; level
LDR             R6, =($_GLOBAL_OFFSET_TABLE_ - 0x4D3C)
ADD             R2, PC, R2 ; "[%s] Target Apps Files count (%d)"
MOV             R12, R12,ASR#2
STR             R12, [SP,#0x2C+format] ; format
BL              j__ZN7CCDebug5PrintI10CCDebugPSAEEvmmPKcz ; CCDebug::Print<CCDebugPSA>(ulong,ulong,char const*,...
MOV             R1, appsFilesLocationList ; appsFilesLocationList
MOV             R2, returnInformations ; returnInformations
MOV             R0, this ; this
MOV             appsFilesLocationList, #0x3EE
appsFilesLocationList = R1; std::vector<std::basic_string<char,std::char_traits<char>,std::allocator<char> >,std::
BL              j__ZN21CELFBinaryEngine_1_0017CELFBinaryChecker21checkELFFileSignitureEPSt6vectorISsSaISsEERS3_ ;
checkResult = R0        ; bool
LDR             R1, =(aAnalysiselfbin - 0x4D40)
SUB             R2, R11, #-var_1C
ADD             R6, PC, R6 ; $_GLOBAL_OFFSET_TABLE_
ADD             R1, PC, R1 ; "AnalysisELFBinaryMain"
```

/mtd_exe/Comp_LIB/libELFAnalEngine.so

Vulnerability #5: Dropper Hack

Applications are downloaded to an easily guessable folder name:

/mtd_rwcommon/common/TempDownLoad/<App name>

Even after security checks fail, the contents of the app still remains in the target folder

You can run other applications, use the downloaded contents from the target folder and extract to the system

Vulnerability #6: File.Unzip

Found by SamyGO web forum

File.Unzip API can be used to copy files on any writeable file system on the target

Now you can install your ELF binary any place mounted with RW (read/write) permission on the target system

Vulnerability #7: Moip component replacement

Found by SamyGO web forum

/mtd_rwcommon/moip/engines/Skype/libSkype.so

- The file is loaded when the Skype app starts
- You can overwrite the file from the app
- By replacing the file with the attacker's version, you can run ELF binaries on the target system

Installed rooting app

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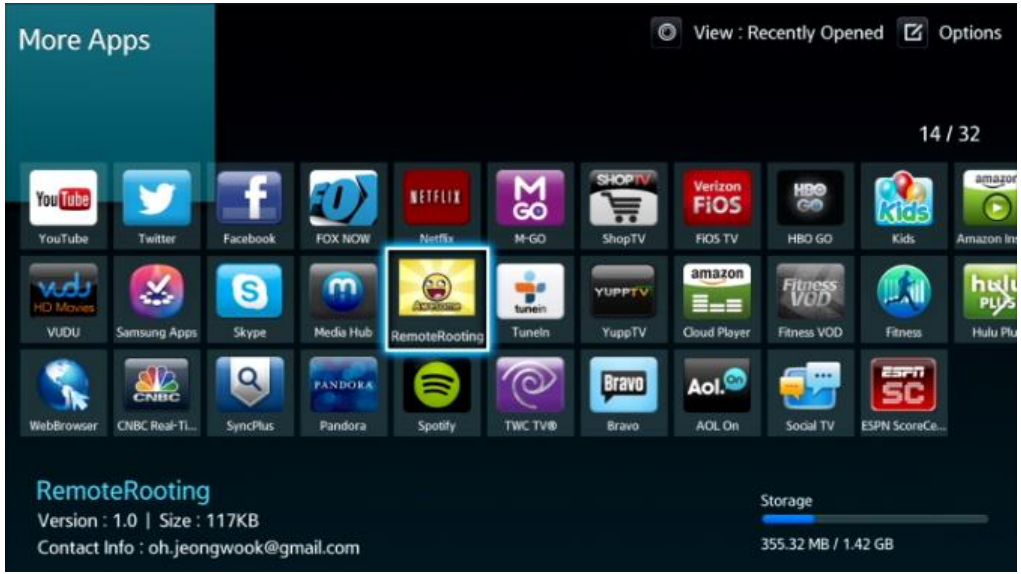
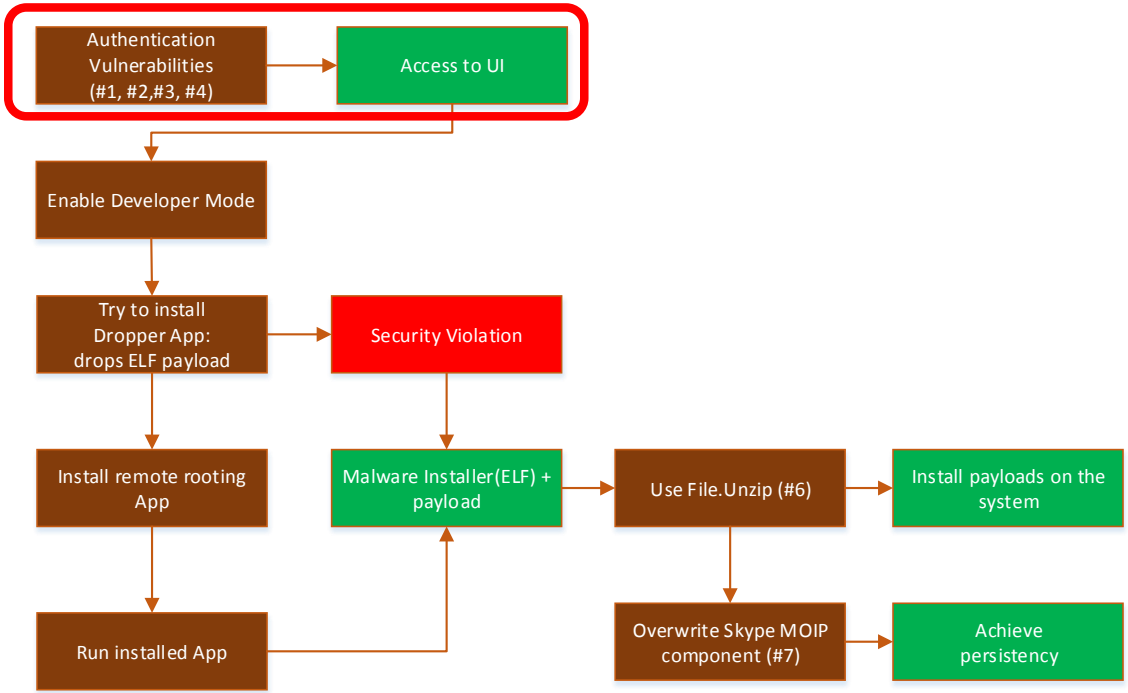


Installing payload from the rooting app

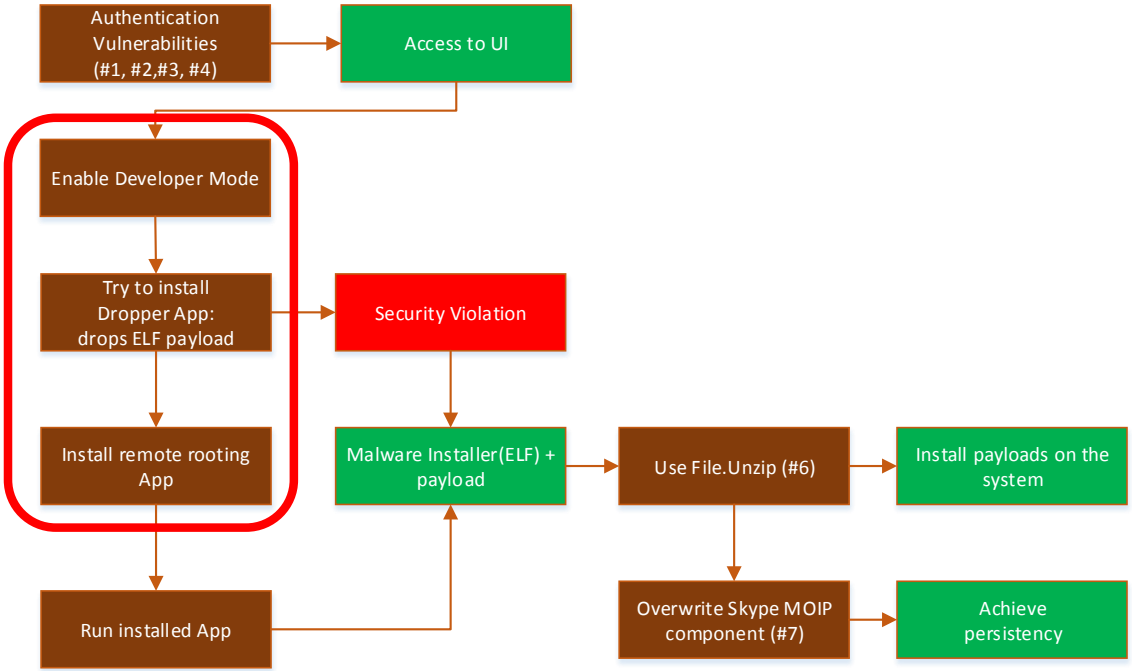
Basic telnet access to the target system

```
root@kali:~# telnet 192.168.1.3
Trying 192.168.1.3...
Connected to 192.168.1.3.
Escape character is '^]'.
shell>
shell>id
uid=0(root) gid=0
shell>
```

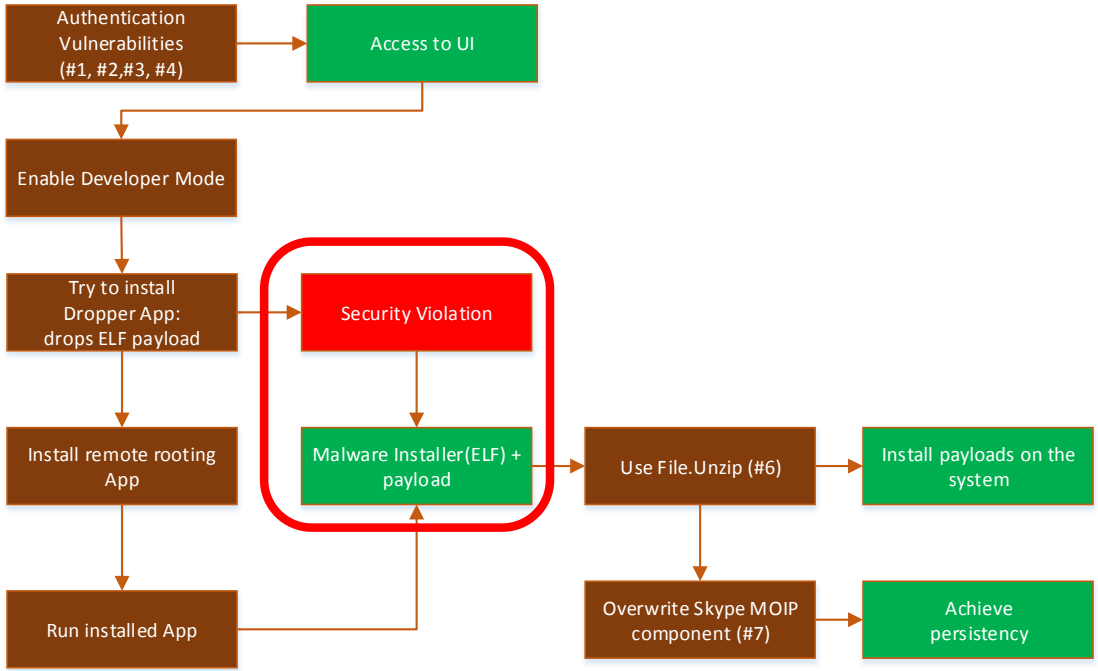
Access to UI



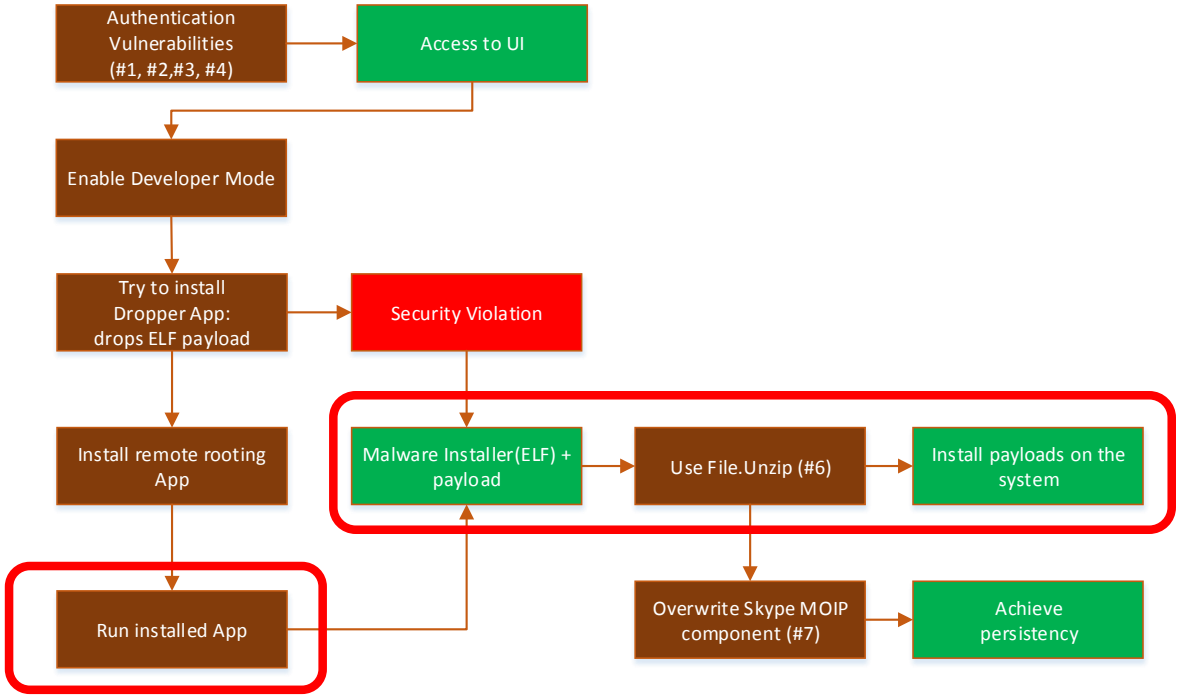
Install apps in developer mode



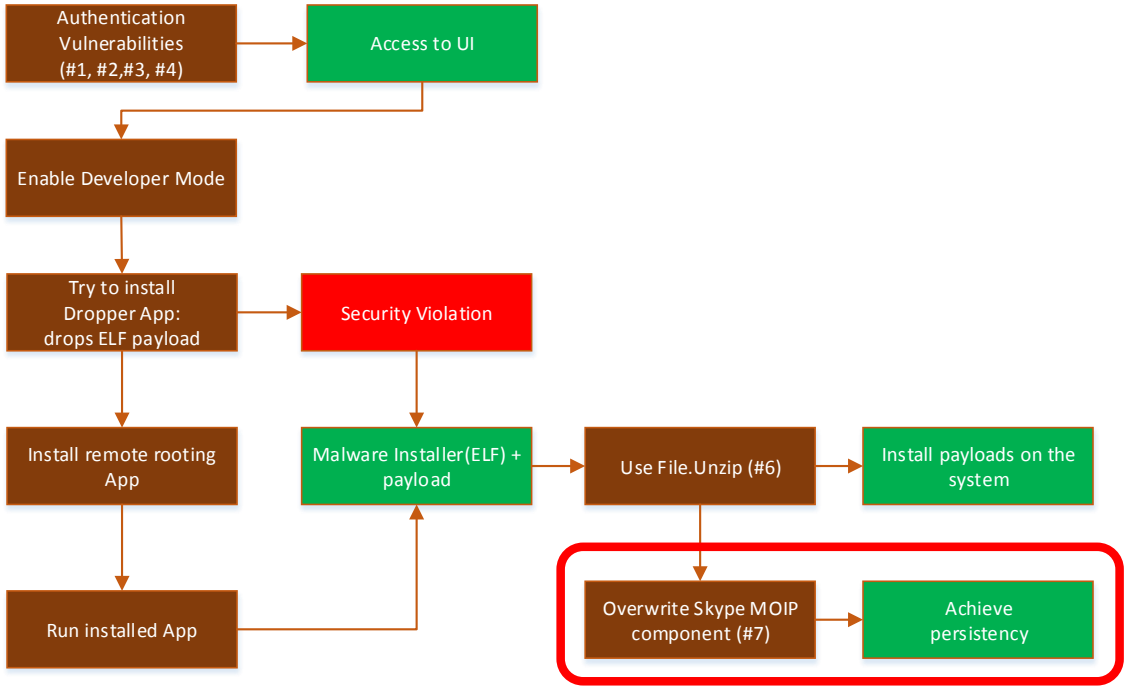
Use dropper hack to drop ELF package



Run rooting App to install ELF and payloads



Shared library hack to achieve persistency



Will it be possible to create malware that is similar to Windows malware?

Process hooking

- You can inject a library to the target system using the ptrace feature

C&C communication

- The TV uses a typical Linux system and you can create a program that uses the socket

Credential theft

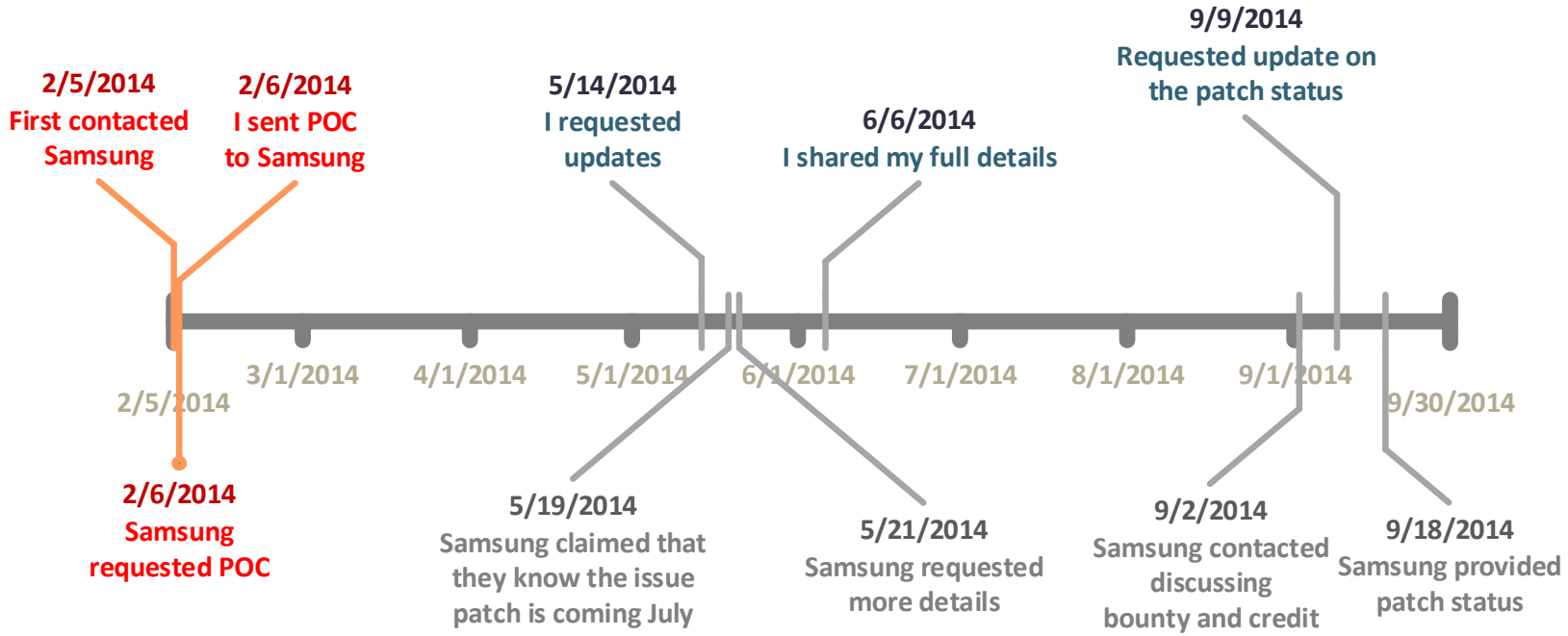
- You can inject modules to the main application (exeAPP) and you can steal credentials by hooking network communications
- Even better, the web browser application doesn't alert on self-signed certificates

Demo

1. Install malware on the TV
2. Inject malicious modules to the target application
3. Control the system from the C&C server
4. Send pop-up graphical images on the system
5. Use Samsung apps and browser on the TV
6. Check the collected data uploaded to the C&C server

Vendor problem

Timeline



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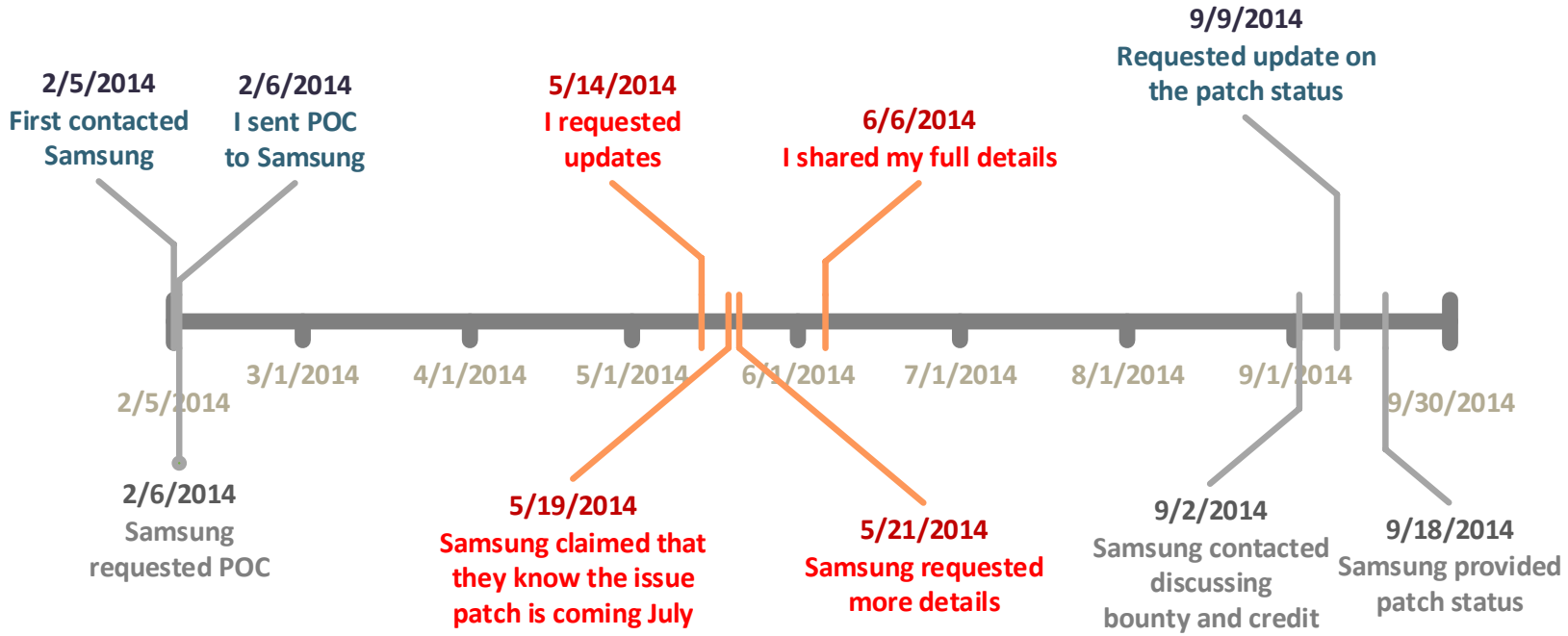

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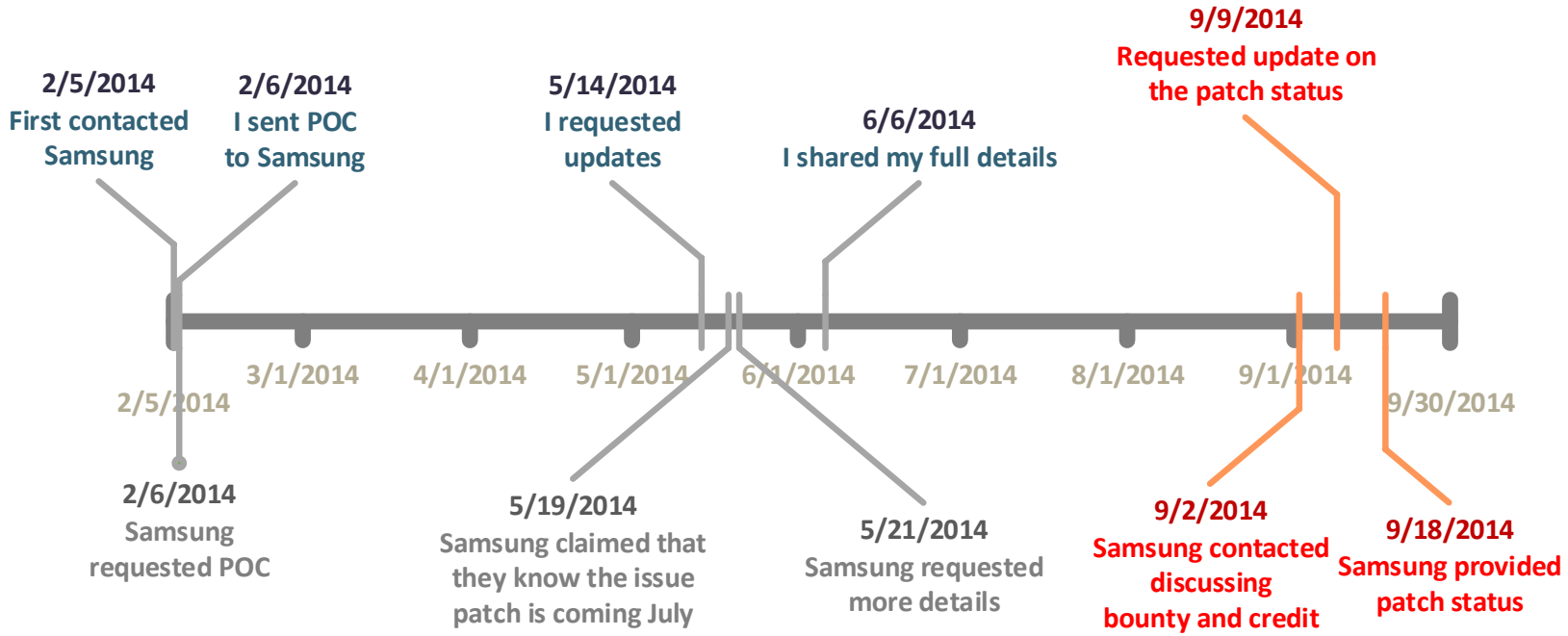

Patch status according to Samsung

Vulnerability	Status
Rooting widget using libskype.so	Patched from 2014/02
Kill watchdog using uepkiller.sh	Patched from 2014 models
Insufficient authentication for remote control (IP/Hostname/MAC)	Patch process started on July 14, it will take 1~2 month to be applied to all models
2nd Remote control authentication bypass using Null MAC address	Patch process started on July 14, it will take 1~2 month to be applied to all models
Files in TempDownload are not deleted and can be accessed by other widgets	Patch process started on September 14, it will take 1~2 month to be applied to all models

Conclusion

You can look into the state of security in smart appliances by looking into Smart TV security.

The status of Smart TV security is not so advanced (yet)

- Very primitive security issues still exist in Smart TV systems

Creating malware for TV systems is not so different from creating malware for PCs or Linux systems

Vendor response is not in such a mature state

- Communications are slow and unresponsive in many cases
- They can learn from the software industry how to handle security issues

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