

Fuzzing 101

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Protocol Fuzzing

- Find as much data as you can about the target application
 - Google is your friend
 - Maybe someone has fuzzed it
 - Maybe it uses some standard protocol

Protocol Fuzzing

- ☐ What is the transport layer?
 - TCP or UDP?
 - ☐ Effects anomaly detection

Protocol Fuzzing

☐ What type of protocol?

■ SIMPLE

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Protocol Fuzzing

- Do we need to authenticate?
 - What authentication protocol?
- Scoping your assessment
 - You may only care about pre-auth

Protocol Fuzzing

☐ Reversing the Protocol

- Generate Traffic and Sniff
- Use wireshark (check for plug-ins!)
- It never hurts to ask Google

Protocol Fuzzing

□ Reversing the Protocol

- Establish syntax (authenticate first, then command1, followed by command2)
- Establish a list of commands
- Establish a list of arguments

Protocol Fuzzing

- Reversing the Protocol
 - Build Command Prototypes
 - <argument> : required
 - [argument] : optional
 - {CONSTANT1|CONSTANT2 ...}: Required constant argument

- Example:
 - PASS {SYS | USER <Username>} <Password>

Protocol Fuzzing

- Once you understand how to communicate with a service, you can send packets to it.
- Simple Protocols
 - Use telnet, nc.exe, openssl
- Complex Protocols
 - Write Code

Protocol Fuzzing

- Now that you can communicate with the protocol...
- Fuzzing Strategy
 - How would you fuzz it?
- What can you fuzz in this prototype?
 - `PASS {SYS | USER <Username>} <Password>`

Protocol Fuzzing

- Fuzzing is repetitive
 - Open/Close connections to hosts
 - Build a UDP packet
 - Write data to a socket
 - Read Data from a socket
 - Loop through a sequence
 - Fuzz each parameter
 - etc

Protocol Fuzzing

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SPIKE

□ Simple Text Based Protocol Fuzzing

■ line_send_tcp.c

□ Accepts a "script" of SPIKE commands

□ Example:

```
s_string_variable("PASS");  
s_string(" ");  
s_string_variable("USER");  
s_string(" ");  
s_string_variable("devel_user");  
s_string(" ");  
s_string_variable("secretpassword");  
s_string("\r\n");
```

SPIKE

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□ ./line_send_tcp <IP> <PORT> script.spk 00

SPIKE

□ SPIKE's real value

- Complex Protocols have length fields and data fields
- Tracking length fields while fuzzing data is complicated
- SPIKE does this for you
- Block Based Protocol Representation

SPIKE

□ What is a SPIKE?

- "A SPIKE is a simple list of structures which contain block size information and a queue of bytes."

```
s_block_size_binary_bigendian_word("somepacketdata");  
s_block_start("somepacketdata")  
s_binary("01020304");  
s_block_end("somepacketdata");
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- Push 4 NULLs onto BYTE queue (size place holder)
- Then a new BLOCK listener is allocated named "somepacketdata"

SPIKE

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- Script starts searching the block listeners for one named "somepacketdata"
- Block "start" pointers are updated to reflect the blocks position in the queue

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- The block is ended, and the sizes are finalized
- The original 4 null bytes are updated with the appropriate size value

1008										1000						
	41	41	41	41	00	00	00	04	04	03	02	01	00	00	00	00

Block 1
somepacketdata
Big Endian Word
Start Pointer : 1000

SPIKE

❑ Given Prototype

Data (length 100 byte)

{ Element1 (length 75 bytes)

{

B x 50

SubElement1(length 25 bytes)

{A x 25}

}

}

Writing SPIKE

- Walk Through the Code
 - Citrix.c

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Writing SPIKE

☐ That's it!