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Securing the Internet of Things: Mapping Attack Surface Areas Using the OWASP IoT Top 10



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The Plan

- Let's Talk About Naming
- A Vision of the Future (Universal Daemonization)
- Why IoT is Currently Broken
- Examples From Research
- The OWASP IoT Project
- Applying What We've Learned
- One more thing...





What does it mean?







What does it mean?

- [WIKIPEDIA] The Internet of Things (IoT) is the network of physical objects or "things" embedded with electronics, software, sensors and connectivity to enable it to achieve greater value and service by exchanging data with the manufacturer, operator and/or other connected devices.
- [OXFORD] A proposed development of the Internet in which everyday objects have network connectivity, allowing them to send and receive data.







Better Names

- Universal Daemonization
- Universal Object Interaction
- Programmable Object Interfaces (POIs)
- Transfurigated Phase Inversion







The Real Internet of Things







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- Audio

Vibration

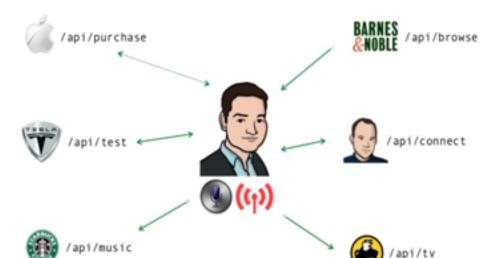
Air Quality

Radiation

Air Pressure

- Planted By
- Birthday
- /api/status /api/water







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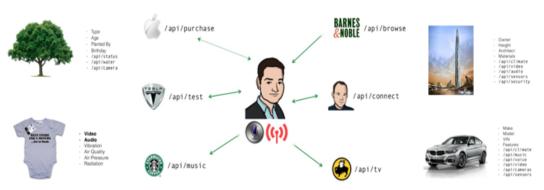






Universal Daemonization







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The Current IoT Security Problem









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services, encryption, firewall, input...





network

application

authN, authZ, input validation, etc.





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mobile

insecure APIs, lack of encryption, etc.





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cloud

yadda yadda AuthSessionAccess





IoT Security is the Worst-of-All-Worlds

network

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- yadda yadda AuthSessionAccess
- net + app + mobile + cloud = IoT





network

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IoT Security Fail Examples

network

application

mobile

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IoT Security Fail Examples (Authentication)

network

application

mobile

cloud

- 10/10 security systems accept '123456'
- Account enumeration
- Lack of account lockout





IoT Security Fail Examples (Update Systems)

network application mobile cloud

- No signing of updates
- Download over FTP
- Server was world-writeable
- Server held ALL products





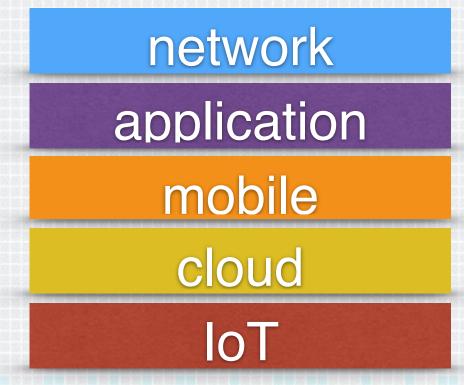
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- 10/10 security systems accept '123456'
- 10/10 security systems with no lockout
- 10/10 security systems with enumeration
- SSH listeners with root/"" access
- 6/10 web interfaces with XSS/SQLi
- 70% of devices not using encryption
- 8/10 collected personal information
- 9/10 had no two-factor options
- Unauthenticated video streaming
- Completely flawed software update systems













Mapping IoT Attack Surface Areas

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OWASP IoT: I1 — Insecure Web Interface

Top 10 2014-I1 Insecure Web Interface

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Threat Agents	Attack Vectors	Security Weakness		Technical Impacts	Business Impacts		
Application Specific	Exploitability EASY	Prevalence COMMON	Detectability EASY	Impact SEVERE	Application / Business Specific		
Consider anyone who has access to the web interface including internal and external users.	credentials, captures plain-text credentials or enumerates accounts to access the web interface. Attack could come	An insecure web inter when issues such as enumeration, lack of a weak credenitals are web interfaces are pris to have these interfor on internal users can as threats from exten- the web interface are when examining the in along with automated identify other issues a scripting.	account account lockout or present. Insecure evalent as the intent faces exposed only however threats from a be just as significant nal users. Issues with easy to discover interface manually I testing tools to	corruption, lack of accountability, or denial of access and can lead to complete device takeover.	poorly secured web interfaces that could lead to compromised devices along with		

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Top 10 2014-I2 Insufficient Authentication/Authorization

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Attack Vectors	Security Weakness		Technical Impacts	Business Impacts
Exploitability AYERAGE	Prevalence COMMON	Detectability EASY	Impact SEVERE	Application / Business Specific
passwords, insecure password recovery mechanisms, poorly protected credentials or lack of granular access control to access a particular interface. Attack could come from external or	when weak passwor poorly protected. Ins authentication/autho as it is assumed that be exposed to users networks and not to other networks. Defi- found to be present interfaces. Many iss authentication/autho discover when exam	ds are used or are sufficient rization is prevalent t interfaces will only con internal external users on ciencies are often across all uses with rization are easy to sining the interface	corruption, lack of accountability, or denial of	Consider the business impact of compromised user accounts and possibly devices. All data could be stolen, modified, or deleted. Could your oustomers be harmed?
	Vectors Exploitability AVERAGE Attacker uses weak passwords, insecure password recovery mechanisms, poorly protected oredentials or lack of granular access a particular interface. Attack could come from external or internal users.	Vectors Exploitability AVERAGE Attacker uses weak passwords, insecure password mechanisms, poorly protected oredentials or lack of granular access control to access a particular interface. Attack could come from external or internal users. Security Prevalence COMMON Authentication/nautho authentication/autho networks and not to other networks. Defi found to be present interfaces. Many liss authentication/autho discover when exam manually and can al	Exploitability AYERAGE Attack could come attend or methods are often easy to discover when examining the interface. Exploitability AYERAGE Prevalence COMMON EASY Authentication may not be sufficient when weak passwords are used or are poorly protected. Insufficient authentication/authorization is prevalent as it is assumed that interfaces will only be exposed to users on internal or other networks. Deficiencies are often other networks. Deficiencies are often authentication/authorization are easy to discover when examining the interface.	Vectors Exploitability AYERAGE COMMON COMMON CASY Attacker uses weak passwords, are used or are poorly protected. Insufficient authentication/authorization is prevalent onedentials or lack of granular access a particular interface. Attack could come from external or internal or i

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OWASP IoT: 12 — Insecure Network Services

Top 10 2014-I3 Insecure Network Services

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Threat Agents	Attack Vectors	Security Weakness		Technical Impacts	Business Impacts		
Application Specific	Exploitability AVERAGE	Prevalence UNCOMMON	Detectability AVERAGE	Impact MODERATE	Application / Business Specific		
who has access to the device via a network connection, including external and internal users.	the device. Attack could come from	Insecure network sen- susceptible to buffer of attacks that create a condition leaving the to the user. Denial of against other users m when insecure netwo available. Insecure ne often be detected by a as port scanners and	overflow attacks or denial of service device inaccessible service attacks say also be facilitated rk services are stwork services can automated tools such	consuption, denial of service or facilitation of attacks on other devices.	Consider the business impact of devices which have been rendered useless from a denial of service attack or the device is used to facilitate attacks against other devices and networks. Could your customers or other users be harmed?		

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OWASP IoT: I3 — Lack of Transport Encryption

Top 10 2014-I4 Lack of Transport Encryption

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Application Specific	Exploitability AVERAGE			Impact SEVERE	Application / Business Specific	
Consider anyone who has access to the network the device is connected to, including external and internal users.	Attacker uses the lack of transport encryption to view data being passed over the network. Attack could come from external or internal users.	be viewed as it travel or the internet. Lack of encryption is prevaled as it is easy to assum	nt on local networks ne that local network sly visible, however in reless network, let to anyone within a network. Many encryption are easy viewing network for readable data, also look for proper mmon transport	encryption can result in data loss and depending on the data exposed, could lead to complete	Consider the business impact of exposed data as it travels across various networks. Data could be stolen or modified. Could your users be harmed by having their data exposed?	

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OWASP IoT: I5 — Privacy Concerns

Top 10 2014-I5 Privacy Concerns

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the device itself, the network the device is connected to, the mobile application and the cloud connection including external and internal users.	multiple vectors such as insufficient authentication, lack of transport encryption or insecure network services to view	prevalent. Privacy co discover by simply re is being collected as activates the device. also look for specific may indicate collection	data in addition to rection of that data is neems are easy to viewing the data that the user sets up and Automated tools can patterns of data that	protection of that	Consider the business impact of personal data that is collected unnecessarily or isn't protected properly. Data could be stolen. Could your customers be harmed by having this personal data exposed?

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OWASP IoT: 16 — Insecure Cloud Interface

Top 10 2014-I6 Insecure Cloud Interface

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Application Specific	Exploitability AVERAGE			Impact SEVERE	Application / Business Specific
Consider anyone	Attacker uses	An insecure cloud int	erface is present	An insecure cloud	Consider the
who has access to	multiple vectors	when easy to guess	redentials are used	interface could lead	business impact of
the internet.	such as insufficient	or account enumerat	on is possible.	to compromise of	an insecure cloud
	authentication, lack	Insecure cloud interfa	ices are easy to	user data and	interface. Data could
	of transport	discover by simply re	viewing the	control over the	be stolen or modified
	encryption and	connection to the clo	ud interface and	device.	and control over
	account	identifying if SSL is in	use or by using the		devices assumed.
	enumeration to	password reset mech	anism to identify		Could your
	access data or	valid accounts which	can lead to account		oustomers be
	controls via the	enumeration.		l	harmed? Could your
	cloud website.				brand be harmed?
	Attack will most				
	likely come from the				
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OWASP IoT: 17 — Insecure Mobile Interface

Top 10 2014-I7 Insecure Mobile Interface

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Application Specific	Exploitability AVERAGE			Impact SEVERE	Application / Business Specific
Consider anyone	Attacker uses	An insecure mobile in	terface is present	An insecure mobile	Consider the
who has access to	multiple vectors	when easy to guess of	redentials are used	interface could lead	business impact of
the mobile	such as insufficient	or account enumerati	on is possible.	to compromise of	an insecure mobile
application.	authentication, lack	Insecure mobile inter	aces are easy to	user data and	interface. Data could
	of transport	discover by simply re-	viewing the	control over the	be stolen or modified
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OWASP IoT: 18 — Insufficient Security Configurability

Top 10 2014-I8 Insufficient Security Configurability

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Application Specific	Exploitability AVERAGE	Prevalence COMMON	Detectability EASY	impact MODERATE	Application / Business Specific
		creating granular use example, forcing the opasswords. Manual re interface and its avail reveal these deficiency	If the device have after its security security arent when the web a has no options for r permissions or for use of strong sview of the web able options will	lead to compromise of the device whether intentional	Consider the business impact if data can be stolen or modified and contro over the device assumed. Could your oustomers be harmed?

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OWASP IoT: 19 — Insecure Software/Firmware

Top 10 2014-I9 Insecure Software/Firmware

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Consider anyone	Attacker uses	The lack of ability for	a device to be	Insecure	Consider the
who has access to	multiple vectors	updated presents a s	ecurity weakness on	software/firmware	business impact if
the device and/or	such as capturing	its own. Devices shou	id have the ability to	could lead to	data can be stolen o
the network the	update files via	be updated when vult	nerabilities are	compromise of user	modified and
device resides on.	unencrypted	discovered and softw	discovered and software/firmware updates		devices taken
Also consider	connections, the	can be insecure when	n the updated files	the device and	control of for the
anyone who could	update file itself is	themselves and the n	etwork connection	attacks against other	purpose of attacking
gain access to the	not encrypted or	they are delivered on	are not protected.	devices.	other devices. Could
update server.	they are able to	Software/Firmware or	an also be insecure if		your oustomers be
	perform their own	they contain hardcod	ed sensitive data		harmed? Could
	malicious update via	such as credentials. S	Security issues with		other users be
	DNS hijacking.	software/firmware are	relatively easy to		harmed?
	Depending on	discover by simply in	specting the network		
	method of update	traffic during the upda	ate to check for		
	and device	encryption or using a	hex editor to inspect		
	configuration, attack	the update file itself for	or interesting		
	could come from the	information.			
	local network or the				
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OWASP IoT: I10 — Poor Physical Security

Top 10 2014-I10 Poor Physical Security

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Application Specific	Exploitability AVERAGE			Impact SEVERE	Application / Business Specific		
Consider anyone who has physical access to the device.	ports, SD cards or other storage means to access the Operating System and potentially any	Physical security wea when an attacker can device to easily acces medium and any data medium. Weaknesses when USB ports or of can be used to acces teatures intended for maintenance.	disassemble a as the storage a stored on that s are also present ther external ports s the device using	to compromise of the device itself and any data stored on that device.			

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OWASP IoT Project Organization









OWASP IoT Project (Context-based Recommendations)

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Manufacturer IoT Security Guidance [ed]

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The goal of this page is help manufacturers build more secure products in the Internet of Things space. The guidance below is at a basic level, giving builders of products a basic set of guidelines to consider from their perspective. This is not a comprehensive list of considerations, and should not be treated as such, but ensuring that these fundamentals are covered will greatly improve the security of any IoT product.

Category	IoT Security Consideration
I1: Insecure Web Interface	Ensure that any web interface in the product disallows weak passwords Ensure that any web interface in the product has an account lockout mechanism Ensure that any web interface in the product has been tested for XSS, SQLi and CSRF vulnerabilities Ensure that any web interface has the ability to use HTTPS to protect transmitted information Include web application firewalls to protect any web interfaces
	 Ensure that any web interface allows the owner to change the default username and password
t2: Insufficient Authentication/Authorization	Ensure that any access requiring authentication requires strong passwords Ensure that user roles can be properly segregated in multi-user environments Implement two-factor authentication where possible
	 Ensure password recovery mechanisms are secure Ensure that users have the option to require strong passwords Ensure that users have the option to force password expiration after a specific period Ensure that users have the option to change the default username and password





OWASP IoT Project (Consumer Recommendations)

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Consumer IoT Security Guidance [ed]

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default password to a strong one and if possible change the default username as well If the system has account lockout functionality, ensure that it is enabled Consider employing network segmentation technologies such as firewalls to isolate	Category	loT Security Consideration
,	I1: Insecure Web Interface	If your system has a two factor authentication option, ensure that it is enabled If your system has web application firewall option, ensure that it is enabled If your system has a local or cloud-based web application, ensure that you change the default password to a strong one and if possible change the default username as well If the system has account lockout functionality, ensure that it is enabled





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https://lists.owasp.org/mailman/listinfo/owasp_internet_of_things_top_ten_project













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IoT Security is broken for three reasons: it's worst-of-all-worlds scenario, nobody is paid to secure IoT, and 1+1=5 when it comes to security and complexity.







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How to Apply This

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Other IoT Resources

- Build It Securely Project (connects SMBs with researchers)
 - Mark Stanislav and Zach Lanier
- I am the Cavalry (focuses on automotive IoT security)
 - Josh Corman
- IoT Firmware Testing Training
 - Paul Asadoorian (BlackHat)





Just One More Thing...



OWASP IoT Top 10 Mini-poster!

- Card stock
- Two-sided
- Covers Top 10 Surface Areas
- Available for download as well









Thank you!



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