# LangSec: A Principled Way to enforce Input Security

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Name	Description			
CVE-2019-9712	An issue was discovered in Joomla! before 3.9.4. The JSON handler in com_config lacks input validation, leading to XSS.			
CVE-2019-8362	DedeCMS through V5.7SP2 allows arbitrary file upload in dede/album_edit.php or dede/album_add.php, as demonstrated by a dede/album_edit.php? dopost=save&formzip=1 request with a ZIP archive that contains a file such as "1.jpg.php" (because input validation only checks that .jpg, .png, or .gif is pres as a substring, and does not otherwise check the file name or content).			
CVE-2019-7385	An authenticated shell command injection issue has been discovered in Raisecom ISCOM HT803G-U, HT803G-W, HT803G-1GE, and HT803G GPON products the firmware version ISCOMHT803G-U_2.0.0_140521_R4.1.47.002 or below, The values of the newpass and confpass parameters in /bin/WebMGR are used system call in the firmware. Because there is no user input validation, this leads to authenticated code execution on the device.			
CVE-2019-7384	An authenticated shell command injection issue has been discovered in Raisecom ISCOM HT803G-U, HT803G-W, HT803G-IGE, and HT803G GPON products wi the firmware version ISCOMHT803G-U_2.0.0_140521_R4.1.47.002 or below. The value of the fmgon_loid parameter is used in a system call inside the boa binary. Because there is no user input validation, this leads to authenticated code execution on the device.			
CVE-2019-7352	Self - Stored Cross Site Scripting (XSS) exists in ZoneMinder through 1.32.3, as the view 'state' (aka Run State) (state.php) does no input validation to the val supplied to the 'New State' (aka newState) field, allowing an attacker to execute HTML or JavaScript code.			
CVE-2019-7345	Self - Stored Cross Site Scripting (XSS) exists in ZoneMinder through 1.32.3, as the view 'options' (options.php) does no input validation for the WEB_TITLE, HOME_URL, HOME_CONTENT, or WEB_CONSOLE_BANNER value, allowing an attacker to execute HTML or JavaScript code. This relates to functions.php.			
CVE-2019-7331	Self - Stored Cross Site Scripting (XSS) exists in ZoneMinder through 1.32.3 while editing an existing monitor field named "signal check color" (monitor.php). There exists no input validation or output filtration, leaving it vulnerable to HTML Injection and an XSS attack.			
<u>CVE-2019-6690</u>	python-gnupg 0.4.3 allows context-dependent attackers to trick gnupg to decrypt other ciphertext than intended. To perform the attack, the passphrase to gnu must be controlled by the adversary and the ciphertext should be trusted. Related to a "CWE-20: Improper Input Validation" issue affecting the affect functionality component.			
CVE-2019-6555	Cscape, 9.80 SP4 and prior. An improper input validation vulnerability may be exploited by processing specially crafted POC files. This may allow an attacker to read confidential information and remotely execute arbitrary code.			
CVE-2019-6553	A vulnerability was found in Rockwell Automation RSLinx Classic versions 4.10.00 and prior. An input validation issue in a .dll file of RSLinx Classic where the d in a Forward Open service request is passed to a fixed size buffer, allowing an attacker to exploit a stack-based buffer overflow condition.			
CVE-2019-6547	Delta Industrial Automation CNCSoft, CNCSoft ScreenEditor Version 1.00.84 and prior. An out-of-bounds read vulnerability may cause the software to crash to lacking user input validation for processing project files.			
CVE-2019-6220	An out-of-bounds read was addressed with improved input validation. This issue is fixed in macOS Mojave 10.14.3. An application may be able to read restricte memory.			
CVE-2019-6218	A memory corruption issue was addressed with improved input validation. This issue is fixed in iOS 12.1.3, macOS Mojave 10.14.3, tvOS 12.1.2. A malicious application may be able to execute arbitrary code with kernel privileges.			
CVE-2019-6210	A memory corruption issue was addressed with improved input validation. This issue is fixed in iOS 12.1.3, macOS Mojave 10.14.3, tvOS 12.1.2, watchOS 5.1.3 A malicious application may be able to execute arbitrary code with kernel privileges.			
CVE-2019-6209	An out-of-bounds read issue existed that led to the disclosure of kernel memory. This was addressed with improved input validation. This issue is fixed in iOS 12.1.3, macOS Mojave 10.14.3, tvOS 12.1.2, watchOS 5.1.3. A malicious application may be able to determine kernel memory layout.			
CVE-2019-6200	An out-of-bounds read was addressed with improved input validation. This issue is fixed in iOS 12.1.3, macOS Mojave 10.14.3. An attacker in a privileged network position may be able to execute arbitrary code.			
CVE-2019-5916	Input validation issue in POWER EGG(Ver 2.0.1, Ver 2.02 Patch 3 and earlier, Ver 2.1 Patch 4 and earlier, Ver 2.2 Patch 7 and earlier, Ver 2.3 Patch 9 and earlier, Ver 2.4 Patch 12 and earlier, Ver 2.5 Patch 12 and earlier, Ver 2.6 Patch 8 and earlier, Ver 2.7 Patch 6 and earlier, Ver 2.7 Covernment Edition Patch 7 and			



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CVE-2019-9977	The renderer process in the entertainment system on Tesla Model 3 vehicles mishandles JIT compilation, which allows attackers to trigger firmware code execution, and display a crafted message to vehicle occupants.		
CVE-2019-9969	XnView Classic 2.48 on Windows allows remote attackers to cause a denial of service (application crash) or possibly have unspecified other impact via a crafted file, related to xnview+0x385399.		
CVE-2019-9968	XnView Classic 2.48 on Windows allows remote attackers to cause a denial of service (application crash) or possibly have unspecified other impact via a crafted file, related to ntdll!RtlQueueWorkItem.		
CVE-2019-9967	XnView Classic 2.48 on Windows allows remote attackers to cause a denial of service (application crash) or possibly have unspecified other impact via a crafted file, related to ntdll!RtlPrefixUnicodeString.		
CVE-2019-9966	XnView Classic 2.48 on Windows allows remote attackers to cause a denial of service (application crash) or possibly have unspecified other impact via a crafted file, related to xnview+0x38536c.		
CVE-2019-9965	XnView MP 0.93.1 on Windows allows remote attackers to cause a denial of service (application crash) or possibly have unspecified other impact via a crafted file, related to ntdll!RtIReAllocateHeap.		
CVE-2019-9964	XnView MP 0.93.1 on Windows allows remote attackers to cause a denial of service (application crash) or possibly have unspecified other impact via a crafted file, related to ntdillRtlpNtMakeTemporaryKey.		
CVE-2019-9963	XnView MP 0.93.1 on Windows allows remote attackers to cause a denial of service (application crash) or possibly have unspecified other impact via a crafted file, related to ntdll!RtlFreeHeap.		
CVE-2019-9962	XnView MP 0.93.1 on Windows allows remote attackers to cause a denial of service (application crash) or possibly have unspecified other impact via a crafted file, related to VCRUNTIME140!memcpy.		
CVE-2019-9956	In ImageMagick 7.0.8-35 Q16, there is a stack-based buffer overflow in the function PopHexPixel of coders/ps.c, which allows an attacker to cause a denial of service or code execution via a crafted image file.		
CVE-2019-9903	PDFDoc::markObject in PDFDoc.cc in Poppler 0.74.0 mishandles dict marking, leading to stack consumption in the function Dict::find() located at Dict.cc, which can (for example) be triggered by passing a crafted pdf file to the pdfunite binary.		
CVE-2019-9889	In Vanilla before 2.6.4, a flaw exists within the getSingleIndex function of the AddonManager class. The issue results in a require call using a crafted type value, leading to Directory Traversal with File Inclusion. An attacker can leverage this vulnerability to execute code under the context of the web server.		
CVE-2019-9878	There is an invalid memory access in the function GfxIndexedColorSpace::mapColorToBase() located in GfxState.cc in Xpdf 4.0.0, as used in pdfalto 0.2. It can be triggered by (for example) sending a crafted pdf file to the pdftops binary. It allows an attacker to cause Denial of Service (Segmentation fault) or possibly have unspecified other impact.		
CVE-2019-9877	There is an invalid memory access vulnerability in the function TextPage::findGaps() located at TextOutputDev.c in Xpdf 4.01, which can (for example) be triggered by sending a crafted pdf file to the pdftops binary. It allows an attacker to cause Denial of Service (Segmentation fault) or possibly have unspecified other impact.		
CVE-2019-9785	gitnote 3.1.0 allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary code via a crafted Markdown file, as demonstrated by a javascript:window.parent.top.require('child_process').execFile substring in the onerror attribute of an IMG element.		
CVE-2019-9767	Stack-based buffer overflow in Free MP3 CD Ripper 2.6, when converting a file, allows user-assisted remote attackers to execute arbitrary code via a crafted .wma file.		
CVE-2019-9766	Stack-based buffer overflow in Free MP3 CD Ripper 2.6, when converting a file, allows user-assisted remote attackers to execute arbitrary code via a crafted .mp3 file.		
CVE-2019-9760	FTPGetter Standard v.5.97.0.177 allows remote code execution when a user initiates an FTP connection to an attacker-controlled machine that sends crafted		







# How malformed packets caused CenturyLink's

#### 37-hour, nationwide outage

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CenturyLink's nationwide, 37-hour outage in December 2018 disrupted 911 service for millions of Americans and prevented completion of at least 886 calls to 911, a new Federal Communications Commission report said.

... The 37-hour outage began on December 27 and "was caused by an equipment failure that was exacerbated by a network configuration error," the FCC said. CenturyLink estimates that more than 12.1 million phone calls on its network "were blocked or degraded due to the incident," the FCC said. Additionally, about 1.1 million of CenturyLink's DSL customers lost service for parts of the 37 hours. Another 2.6 million DSL customers "may have experienced degraded service," the FCC said....

#### Root cause

Problems began the morning of December 27 when "a switching module in CenturyLink's Denver, Colorado, node spontaneously generated four malformed management packets," the FCC report said.



https://arstechnica.com/information-technology/2019/08/centurylinks-37-hour-outage-blocked-911-service-for-17-million-people/

#### Vulnerabilities



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From: Adam Crain, Chris Sistrunk "Project Robus, Master Serial Killer", S4x14

#### The LangSec Approach to the Problem







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#### The LangSec Approach to Solving It





### LangSec in Practice

- Solution: LangSec Parsers
  - 1. Define a grammar that represents a "secure subset" of the protocol.
    - No more than context-free!
    - ...or maybe PEG
  - 2. Build a parser that accepts *only* this grammar.
  - 3. Use this parser *everywhere* this protocol is parsed.
- And we're standardizing toolkits to make this easy for any ICS developer!





# Parsing & protocol anti-patterns

- "Shotgun parsers": input validity checks intermixed with processing code; no clear separation boundary
  - OpenSSL's Heartbleed, GNU TLS Hello bug, ...
- •Unnecessarily complex syntax (e.g., **context-sensitive** where **context-free** or **regular** would suffice)
  - Objects' interpretation & legality depends on sibling object contents
- Parser differentials (parsers disagree about message contents)
  - X.509 CA vs client bugs, Android Master Key bugs, ...



### Parser combinators: a natural choice

- •Hammer parser construction kit: C/C++
  - Bindings for Java, Python, Ruby, .NET, Go
  - Three algorithmic parsing back-ends
- Freely available on GitHub: https://github.com/UpstandingHackers/hammer



# Parser combinators at a glance (1)



## Parser combinators at a glance (2)

```
start = h token("x05x64'');
05 64 14 F3
01 00 00 04
          len = h int range(h uint8(), 5, 255);
OA 3B CO C3
01 3C 02 06 ctrl = h uint8();
3C 03 06 3C
          dst = h uint16();
04 06 3C 01
          src = h int range(h uint16(), 0, 65519);
06 9A 12
           crc = h uint16();
          hdr = h attr bool(h sequence(h ignore(start),
                   len, ctrl, dst, src, crc, NULL),
                   validate crc);
          frame = h attr bool(h sequence(hdr,
                     h optional(transport frame),
                     h end p(), NULL),validate len);
```



#### Code that looks like grammar: AMQP





#### Collaborating with GE Research: Predix Protocol Grammar

- message
- $\rightarrow$ whitespaces  $\rightarrow$ 
  - - colon  $\rightarrow$
  - messageId
    - body
    - element
- sourcevalues
  - attribute  $\rightarrow$
  - datapoints
    - name

- body messageId
- ""  $n \mid t \mid r$ 
  - : | whitespaces colon | colon whitespace
- "messageId" colon "flexpipe"  $\rightarrow$
- body element  $\rightarrow$
- attribute datapoints name  $\rightarrow$ 
  - "CDP"
  - "attributes":"source": sourcevalues
- $\rightarrow$  [[ timestamp, double, range(0..3) ]] "hmi.signal1" | "hmi.signal2" | "hmi.signal3"
- $\rightarrow$

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#### Architecture

- Listens on a port for packet payloads
- It is an application layer protocol
- Server passes it on to the Predix parser which returns the parsed object or False if the parsing failed





#### Parser Example

{"body":[{"attributes":

{"source":"CDP"},

"datapoints":[[1519416378 549,0.871740788830354,3]],"na me":"hmi.signal1"},

{"attributes":{"source":"CDP "},"datapoints":[[1519416378549, 2.0,3]],"name":"hmi.signal2"},

{"attributes":{"source":"CDP "},"datapoints":[[1519416378549, -0.533333001608573,3]],"name" :"hmi.signal3"}],

"messageId":"flex-pipe"}

```
json_input_parser():
whitespaces = h.many(h.in ("
                             (r(n))
jsonopen = h.middle(whitespaces, h.ch('{'), whitespaces)
jsonclose = h.middle(whitespaces, h.ch('}'), whitespaces)
comma = h.middle(whitespaces, h.ch(','), whitespaces)
colon = h.middle(whitespaces, h.ch(':'), whitespaces)
arrayopen = h.sequence(whitespaces, h.ch('['), whitespaces)
arrayclose = h.sequence(whitespaces, h.ch(']'), whitespaces)
signal left = h.token("\"name\"")
signal_names = h.choice(h.token("\"hmi.signal1
                                                 "),
                        h.token("\"hmi.signal2)
                                                 "),
                        h.token("\"hmi.signal3\
                                                 "))
epoch = h.many1(h.ch_range('\times 30', '\times 39'))
optional_minus = h.optional(h.ch('-'))
negative val = h.sequence(optional minus, epoch, h.ch('.'), epoch)
datapoints_left = h.token("\"datapoints\"")
datapoints = h.sequence(arrayopen, arrayopen,
                        epoch, comma, negative_val,
                        comma, h.ch_range('0', '3'),
                        arrayclose, arrayclose)
```



#### Unit testing and fuzzing

- Exhaustively validate over a corpus of over 500 valid messages
- Unit tests using python unittests library
- Fuzzing using pyjfuzz A python JSON fuzzing library
  - Our parser showed resiliency and 0 crashes or exceptions



#### Parsers as an IDS

- Within a substation, we intercept all communications through the router and parse them.
  - C37.118, DNP3, Modbus, IEC61850 (variants)
- Latencies measured on a ARM Cortex A17 with 2GB RAM.
- Our parsers survived AFL fuzzing.

Frame	<b>CPU Time</b>	Lines of code
Command Frame	$20 \ \mu s$	29
Configuration Frame	13 $\mu$ s	71
Data Frame	$27 \ \mu s$	56
Header Frame	$80 \ \mu s$	30





### Various Ongoing LangSec Initiatives

IDS for the Power Grid

**File Format Validators** 

Securing Hardware Architectures with Parsers in FPGAs

DARPA RADICS: Threat Intelligence and Grid Recovery (TIGR) project

(With SRI International)

DARPA SAFEDOCS: Parsley Project

(With SRI International)



(Extending our collaboration with GE Research: David Safford, William Smith and Kepa Krzysztof.)





#### **Results and Next Steps**

Current LangSec parsers include:

- DNP3 (Bratus et al. '16)
- C37.118 (Anantharaman et al. '18)
- IEC 61850
- GOOSE
- MMS
- HTTP HMI Parsers

Roadmap to upgrade a whole substation (Millian et al. '19)

Future directions include tools for:

- automated discovery of legacy grammars
- automated generation of fuzz-testers
- automated discovery of differential parsing vulnerabilities
- fixing zero-days in black-box code
- discovering and fixing holes in ICS wireless interfaces
- formal verification of parsers and protocol specs





### Questions?

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