

VoIP WiFi Phone Handset Security Analysis: We've met the enemy...and they built our stuff?!?

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What you'll learn here today

- Overview of the VoIP Wifi phone market
- Basic threat model and vulnerability analysis applied to VoIP Wifi handsets
- Review previous project vulns disclosed
- New project vulns found (public today)
- Looking ahead: project roadmap and plans

Key Project Points

- Independent side project
 - My time, my dime
- Ongoing evaluation, adding more phones
- Vendor notification and response
 - 30 days plus notice before disclosure
 - All vendors notified via email
 - Chasing down vendors' security POC is no fun
 - No response from most vendors

Voices in the wilderness

"VoIP handsets are simply Internet-capable computers disguised as telephones. They are subject to the same security threats as other web-connected devices. Until the VoIP world gets serious about security, industry growth risks being stunted"

Carmi Levy Senior Research Analyst Info-Tech Research Group





Agenda





- Motivation
- Emerging VoIP trends
- VoIP wifi phone marketplace
- What does "secure" mean anyway?
- VoIP wifi phone threat modeling
- Level one methodology
- WiFi phone testing
- Future testing









Motivation

- Fun project in-between jobs
 - Got first phone and found vulnerabilities I wonder how bad it is across vendors?
- Professional development
 - Focusing on VoIP for almost a year
- Project Goals
 - Disclose real issues in 15-20 shipping VoIP WiFi phones
 - Break-up "theoretical VoIP attacks" chatter
 - Expect simular vulnerabilities across multiple vendors
 - Outline VoIP WiFi phone threat analysis and methodology
 - Phased approach, gradual increase in sophistication

Emerging VoIP security trends

- Cavalier attitude
 - "Look how much money we're going to make/save!"
 - Doing things their own way, not following standards
 - Vonage UDP/5061, Skype "just trust us"
- Oversimplification of VoIP threats and risks
 - VoIP complexity + real-time needs + Internet issues
- Huge concerns about sniffing
- Common industry lines one hears
 - "VoIP is more secure because it's on your internal network"
 - "Proprietary protocols are harder to hack"
 - "Our solution is secure because it's encrypted end-to-end"

Emerging VoIP security trends

- Many attacks largely dismissed as "theoretical"
- Very few publicized VoIP security breaches
 - Likely low disclosure rate -- any legal requirements?
- Not many free VoIP security tools now
 - Protocol robustness (mostly SIP)
 - PROTOS, SIPp, SipSak, IETF SIP "torture tests"
 - Sniffing (Vomit, VoiPong, Cain & Abel, Ethereal, SCAPY)
 - Growing security community interest
 - Protocol analysis, phones vulns (Cisco 7940), tools (Send SIP Fun)
 - Community needs more presentations and tools

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VoIP wifi phone marketplace

- Types of 802.11b VoIP wifi phones
 - Pure-play SIP (this project)
 - Proprietary protocols or backend gear
 - Spectralink, Cisco, Vocera, Blackberry, Skype
 - Dual-mode handsets
 - WiFi to cellular "on-the-fly" switch-off
 - Specialized devices (everything else)
 - Game consoles, Kiosks
 - PDAs of all kinds (e.g. Nokia 770 tablet, MagPie PDA)
 - OpenPeak Simple Remote TV remote with SIP client

As WiMax mesh networks gain traction, expect to see VoIP WiFi all over, and in unique devices



VoIP devices – early 2006













VoIP WiFi phone marketplace

- Where are VoIP Wifi phones used?
 - Government, Financial/Trading, Businesses, Healthcare, Education
 - Individuals at home, work, hotspots...planes ☺
- Emergency communications Katrina
 - Bush/Nagin Vonage call only service available
 - Jeff Pulver http://pulverblog.com/archives/002817.html
- VoIP and ISP provider add-on
 - Azulstar mesh network Hitachi WIP-5000
 - Vonage, BroadVoice UTStarcom F1000
 - Skype Netgear, Accton,

Marketplace security impact

- End user confusion
 - Many VoIP WiFi phone manufacturers
 - Lots of re-branded phones
 - Hard to find firmware, support, documentation
- Testing challenges
 - Variety of OS, web servers, FTP and TFTP clients
 - Multiple configuration options
 - Hard to obtain detailed specifications, source, etc.
 - Several trivial to DoS with simple scans/probes/attacks
 - Targeting features like email client, SMS, etc.

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What does "secure" mean anyway?

It is impossible to ensure a product is "secure" One can only really say it is not vulnerable to specific threats

- Security features do not make a device itself secure
- Seems most folks really care about features
- "Caught between fear and greed"
 - Market drives development timetables, resources, headcount
 - Insatiable demand for new features (internal & external)
 - (Most) vendors reluctant to test beyond feature validation
- Big questions No easy answers
 - Product security vulnerability cost? (company + customer)
 - Where do you draw the line with internal security testing?

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Thinking like an attacker

- Rules? We don't need no stinkin' rules...
- All the time in the world, none of the constraints
- Exploit anything
- Abuse all access and features
- Use any tools or techniques available
- Ignore protocol (Step 1: *grep* for "must not")
- Leverage vendor info, tools, documents, support

VoIP WiFi phone threat modeling

Questions that focus the analysis

- What type of phone?
- What is the attacker profile and goals?
- What kind of OS, applications are used?
- Are there known vulnerabilities in phone?
- Can any features can be misused?

Level one methodology

- Level one is
 - "First look" from attacker's perspective
 - Risk and the threats from
 - Basic configuration, open ports, services, developer leftovers
 - Basic feature misuse
- Level one is not
 - Attacking crypto
 - Analyzing protocol implementation
 - Various phone configurations
 - Attacking features
 - Physical attacks via USB

Level one methodology

- Defining the target
 - IP address
- Defining the "Level one" attacker
 - Location → remote
 - Skill level → low to medium
 - Tools → free, Opensource, publicly available
 - Goals
 - See how it works, gather information for next phases
 - Identify OS, ports, services, features, "unique stuff"
 - Read/Modify config (SIP servers, DNS, address book, logins)
 - Remote access to HTTP daemon, undocumented debug ports

Level one methodology

- Network access threat vectors How simple?
 - What if the attacker can just access the IP address?
 - How will he identify phone OS, ports and services?
 - What attacks can he perform against those services?
 - What further remote network access via phone?
- Device access threats
 - What can the attacker do if he can change the phone's configuration?

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Testbed

- VoIP WiFi phone
 - "Out-of-the-box" default settings
 - Linksys WRT54G AP
- Attacker
 - Firefox and Internet Explorer
 - Snmpwalk
 - Telnet, netcat
 - Nmap
 - Opensource contribution by submitting OS signature of unidentified phones http://www.insecure.org/nmap/

WiFi phones: Level One

November, 2005 - CSI

- Cisco 7920
- Hitachi WIP-5000
- UTstarcom F1000
- Senao SI-680H
- ZyXel W2000 (Ver. 1)

January, 2006 - ShmooCon

- ZyXel W2000 (Ver. 2)
- ACT P202S
- Senao SI-7800H
- MPM HP-180W
- Clipcomm CP-100E
- Clipcomm CPW-100E

Cisco 7920



- Only non-SIP phone evaluated (had one;)
- Version and OS
 - 7920.3.3-01-07 on VxWorks
- Vulnerabilities
 - Undocumented port, UDP/17185 VxWorks WDB remote debugging (wdbrpc)
 - SNMP daemon enabled, read/write with "public," "private" via SNMP.
- Exploitation
 - Undocumented port allows debug access
 - SNMP attacks can read/write device configuration

Cisco 7920

- Workarounds
 - SNMP and wdbrpc service cannot be disabled
 - SNMP does not allow community string modification
- Vendor response
 - Same day response from Cisco PSIRT
 - Coordination on fixes and public advisory



Hitachi WIP-5000



- Version and OS
 - V1.5.6 on FreeBSD 4.3
- Vulnerabilities
 - HTTP index page discloses software version, phone
 MAC address, IP address and routing
 - HTTP no default login credentials
 - SNMP enabled, read/write using any credentials
 - Undocumented open port TCP/3390 Unidata Shell
 - Hardcoded admin login "0000" on device keypad

Hitachi WIP-5000



- Exploitation
 - HTTP index page discloses too much information (device, routing, firmware, etc.)
 - HTTP no default login credentials
 - SNMP read/write using any credentials
 - Undocumented open port TCP/3390 Unidata Shell?
 - Hardcoded admin password via keypad
- Workarounds
 - HTTP daemon index page disable webserver

Hitachi WIP-5000



- Workarounds
 - HTTP daemon change default no credential login
 - SNMP daemon cannot be disabled, nor can the read/write community strings be changed
 - Undocumented open port TCP/3390 cannot be disabled
 - Hardcoded admin password via keypad cannot be changed
- Vendor response
 - No direct response, but fixed
 - www.hitachicable.co.jp/infosystem/security/pdf/917076.pdf
- Comments
 - AzulStar ISP mesh network phone

UTStarcom F1000



- Version and OS
 - S2.0 on VxWorks
- Vulnerabilities
 - Undocumented SNMP daemon enabled, read/write using "public/private" community string
 - Undocumented Telnet root VxWorks login "target/password"
 - Undocumented rlogin unauthenticated VxWorks shell
- Exploitation
 - SNMP attacker can read/modify phone MIB
 - Telnet and rlogin debugging, direct memory dumping/injection, read/write configuration, enable/disable/restart services, reboot

UTStarcom F1000



- Workarounds
 - SNMP cannot be disabled, credentials cannot be changed
 - Telnet cannot be disabled, user/pass is changeable
 - **Rlogin** cannot be disabled, no authentication can be enabled
- Vendor response
 - None
- Comments
 - Vonage is shipping this phone as of late December, 2005





- Version
 - 0.03.0839 on VxWorks
- Vulnerability
 - Undocumented port, UDP/17185 VxWorks WDB remote debugging (wdbrpc)
- Exploitation
 - Undocumented port, UDP/17185 debug access
- Workaround
 - Undocumented port, UDP/17185 cannot be disabled
- Vendor response None





- Version
 - Wj.00.10 on VxWorks
- Vulnerabilities
 - Hardcoded DNS to two servers in Taiwan
 - Undocumented open port UDP/9090 provides MAC and firmware version on connect
- Exploitation
 - Undocumented open port UDP/9090 provides attackers an easy way to identify the device firmware

ZyXel W2000 (Version 1)

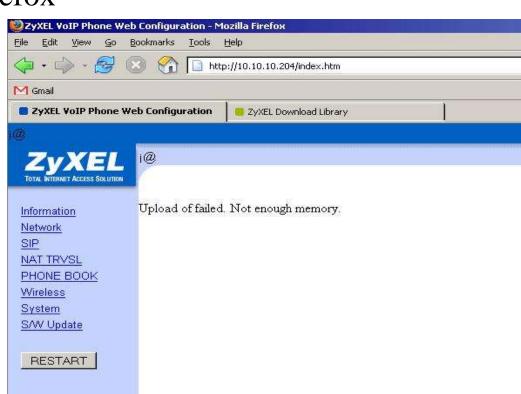


- Exploitation (cont'd)
 - Hardcoded DNS servers
 - DoS of NTP servers hoses **ZyXel phones worldwide**
 - Control DNS requests and route to 0wn3d SIP gateways
- Workarounds
 - Undocumented open port UDP/9090 cannot be disabled
 - Hardcoded DNS servers cannot be modified
- Vendor response None





- Firmware version was BETA, hardcoded DNS, UDP/9090
- Upgrading firmware failed on at %99 with "Not enough memory" error using Firefox
- My new \$200 brick
- Response from ZyXel
 - "Use IE"
 - Gee, not documented!
 - RMA time







- Second W2000
- Version
 - WV.00.02 on VxWorks
- Vulnerabilities
 - Undocumented open port UDP/9090 provides MAC and firmware version on connect
- Exploitation
 - Undocumented open port UDP/9090 provides attackers an easy way to identify the device firmware and MAC

ACT-P202S



- American Century Telecommunications
- Version and OS
 - 1.01.21 on VxWorks (also runs JAVA applications)
- Vulnerabilities
 - Undocumented port, UDP/17185 VxWorks WDB remote debugging (wdbrpc)
 - Undocumented port, TCP/513, rlogin
 - Undocumented port, TCP/7, echo
- Exploitation
 - Undocumented port, UDP/17185 debugging access
 - Undocumented port, TCP/513 rlogin





- Workaround
 - Undocumented ports cannot be disabled
- Vendor response exchanged email, answered questions, etc.
- Comments
 - HTTP daemon on TCP/9999
 - Hardcoded NTP server in Taiwan
 - Snip from ACT email response
 - Got IANA lesson?

"Port 17815 - reserved for debugging purpose Port 513 - reserved for telnet access Port 7 - allow others to ping"

Senao SI-7800H



- Version
 - 0.03.0001 on VxWorks
- Vulnerability
 - Undocumented port, UDP/17185 VxWorks WDB remote debugging (wdbrpc)
- Exploitation
 - Undocumented port, UDP/17185 debug access
- Workaround None
- Vendor response None





- Version
 - WE.00.17 on VxWorks
- Vulnerabilities
 - Undocumented open port UDP/9090 provides MAC and firmware version on connect
- Exploitation
 - Undocumented open port UDP/9090 provides attackers an easy way to identify the device firmware and MAC
- Workaround None
- Vendor Response None

Clipcomm CP-100E



- Version
 - 1.1.60 (050221) on VxWorks
- Vulnerabilities
 - Undocumented open port TCP/60023 allows remote access to two debugging accounts: Clip and USH.
- Exploitation
 - Reboot, factory reset, call trace, write to registers, dump memory, modify configuration, etc.
- Workaround None
- Vendor Response None

Clipcomm CPW-100E



- Version
 - 1.1.12 (051129) on VxWorks
- Vulnerabilities
 - Undocumented open port TCP/60023 unauthenticated remote access to two debugging accounts: Clip and USH.
- Exploitation
 - Reboot, factory reset, call trace, write to registers, dump memory, modify configuration, etc.
 - Debug CLI to call another phone number (snoop, 1-900, etc)
- Workaround None
- Vendor Response None

Level one testing summary

- Default accounts, passwords
- Inability to change credentials
- Inability to disable services
- Extraneous services
- Development debug access
- Hardcoded DNS and NTP servers
- DoS doing simple scans and probes (hard *not* to)
- Difficulty finding and upgrading firmware (risky)
- Poor documentation
- Lackluster response from majority of vendors

Level one testing summary

- Depending on the phone, an attacker may
 - Login with default or hardcoded credentials
 - Remote access via extraneous services
 - Debugging, trace calls, snooping, reset phone
 - Modify configuration: SIP servers, DNS
 - Modify phonebook for social engineering
 - DoS or control routing to hardcoded Taiwan DNS
 - SNMP
 - Brick phone with bad image (or maybe even a good one)

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Future testing – Level 2

- More phones to finish Level 1 (15-20 phones total)
- Level 2 testing
 - Upgrade all phones with fixed
 - Profile increased attacker skill level, more tools
 - Deeper application (HTTP daemon)
 - More port scans, vulnerability scanners
 - Targeting protocol implementation
 - SIP: Protos SIP, IEFT torture tests, SipSak, SIPp scenarios
 - TCP stack: "Typical" floods, Naptha, ISIC
- Map attacks to VOIPSA Threat Taxonomy
 - "Visualize" coverage, demonstrate applied to evaluation

Future Testing – Level 3

- Advanced attacks against individual phones
 - Targeting specific features
 - Email clients, client Web browsers, SMS, JAVA
 - Targeting non-802.11b network access
 - Bluetooth
 - USB
 - Skype

SIP or Skype Phones Q1 2006



- UTStarcom F3000 ordered, delivery soon
- Zultsys WIP2 scoping
- Linksys WIP330 Q1 2006
- Netgear Q1 2006
- Accton Q1 2006







Think broadly...and contribute

- Current security analysis needs
 - ATAs, Wired VoIP phones, Softphones, PDAs
 - PBXs (D-Link, LinksysOne, provisioning)
 - Asterisk
- Protocol fuzzing
 - SIP, MGCP, RTCP, etc.
 - Proprietary protocols

Questions?

Thanks!

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