

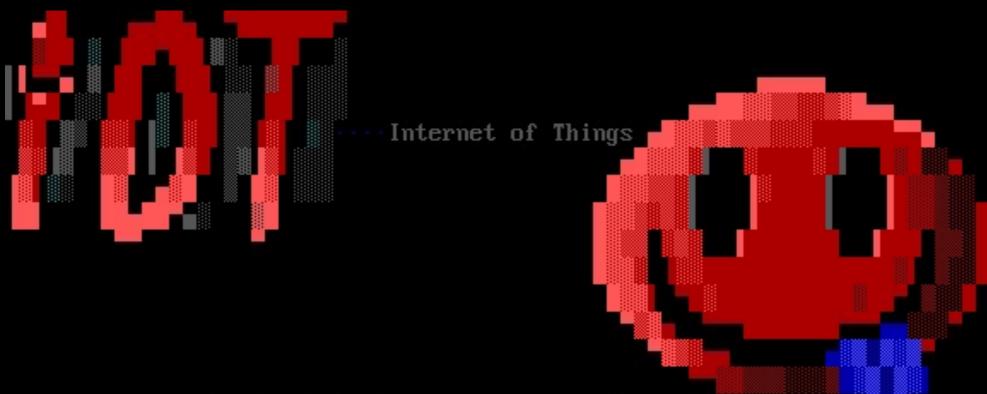
Light Weight Protocol! Serious Equipment! Critical Implications!

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Username:_ Password:

- * Been breaking stuff since I was 12 (First reported vuln)
- * Worked for companies such as Sony Ericsson and IDActive (to name a few)
- * Been a part of the super awesomesauce Corelan Team · !mona ftw
- * Spent time in alot of "unhackable" environments and 'puters
- * I Do fuzzing, exploit dev, webapp pwnage, and network pentests
- * IoT is someting that always interested me, consumer stuff!



I am going to talk about IoT (Internet of Things)
And yeah I know, but we are just going to cover
one protocol.

Don't get me wrong, I love hooking stuff up! Getting everything to work seamless is awesome!

But since I'm in Security: This is a curse

Looking at all the devices I have, and looking at things customers have, scares me.

It makes me question, is security REALLY a part of the process, or just something vendors tackle when shit hits the fan?
Or is it just a 5 minute Automated Vuln-Check with <insert favo scanner here>



WHAT IS IT?

- · · · Invented in 1998/1999
- ··· Created by Andy Stanford-Clark & Arlen Nipper

WHY?

- They wanted to create a new protocol to combat unreliable satellite networks
- · · · Key Points Simple

QoS (Quality of Service)

Bandwith efficient

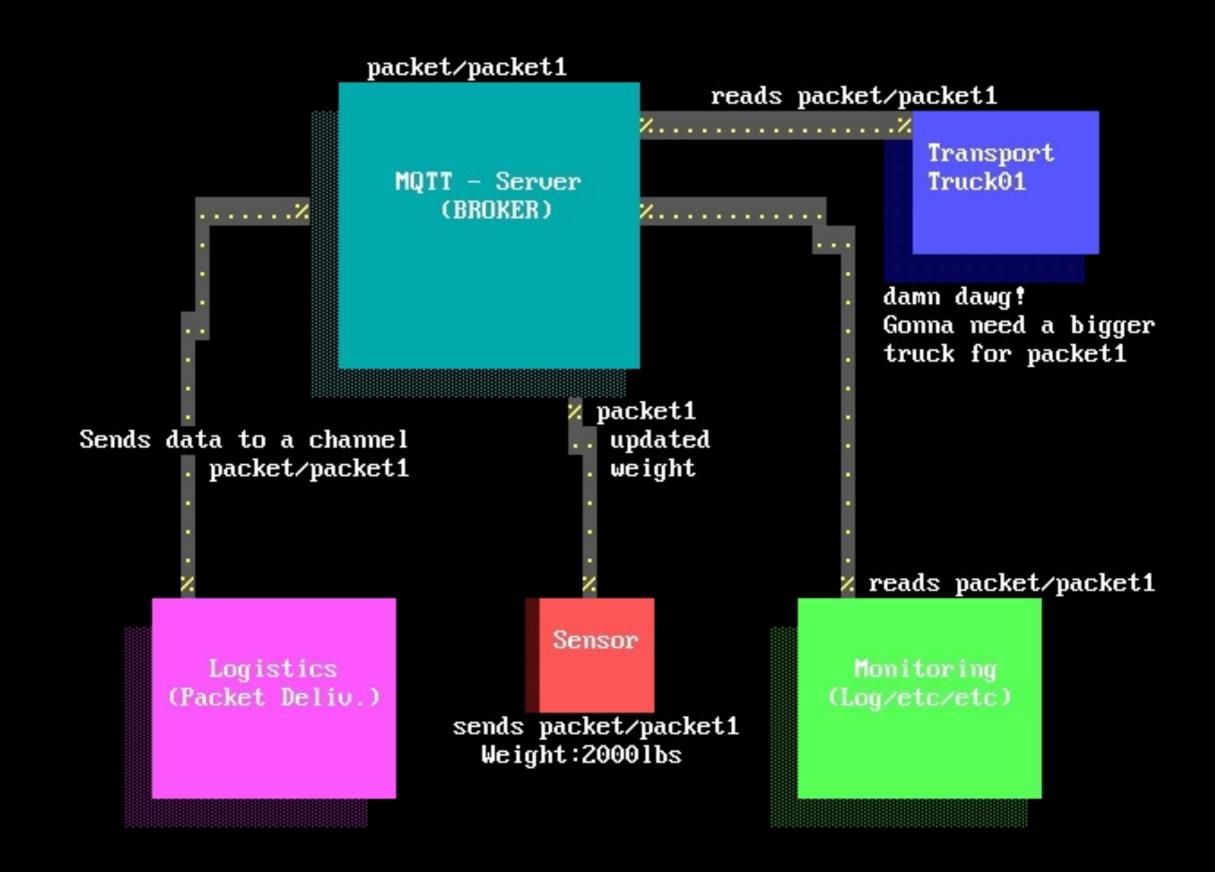
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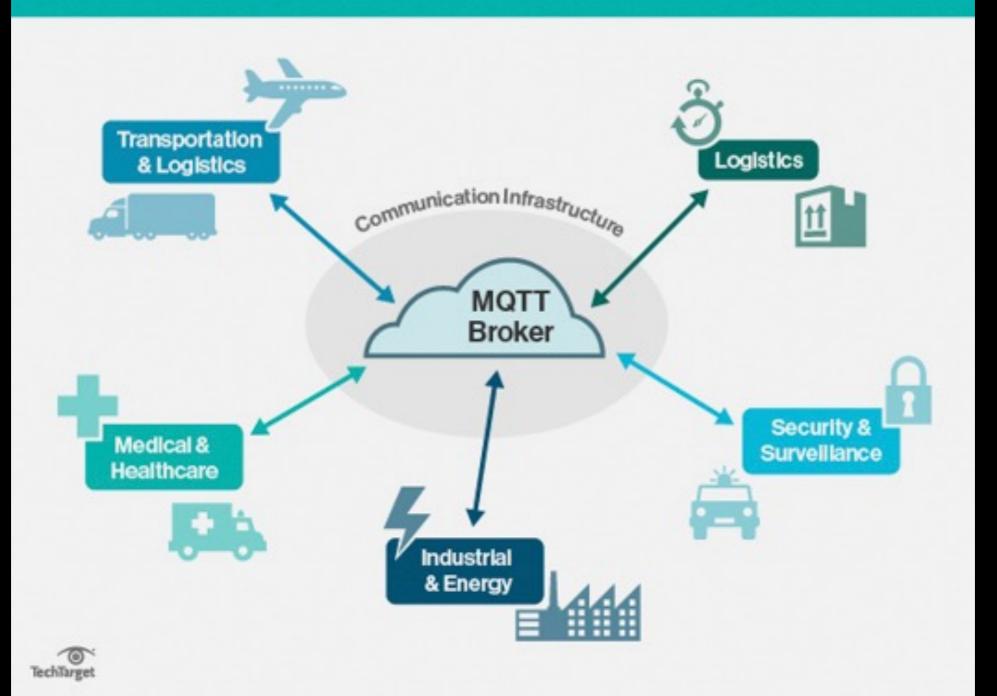
· · · Stood for MQ Telemetry Transport

·····Something IBM Something Product

- ··· Royalty Free as of 2010
- ··· Officially approved as OASIS Standard Oct 29th 2014
- Version 3.1.1



MQTT





Did you know?! Facebook used MQTT for chat before changing to XMPP...

- -"How does the MQTT Work? I Mean what is a broker?
 I mean, why? w... Why is the sky blue... Banana!"
- What we know as server, MQTT calls Broker
- Broker A Person who buys and sells assets for others
- Clients? Clients can both listen and send data to the broker
- Other Clients listen to what is been sent in and reacts
- Depending on how the its set up, the client responds

MQTT has channels (Yes almost as IRC)

Example:myhome/attic <- Here i place every client in the attic myhome/attic/sensor1 <- My Temprature sensor in the attic

You can name them ANYTHING: OhLongJohnson/OhDonPiano/whyleyesYa ^...Seems hard to remember thou

Let's move on to the Magic of #

According to the manual; There is security...

There are a number of threats that solution providers should consider.

- Devices could be compromised
- Data at rest in Clients and Servers might be accessible
- Protocol behaviors could have side effects (e.g. "timing attacks")
- Denial of Service (DoS) attacks
- Communications could be intercepted, altered, re-routed or Disclosed
- Injection of spoofed Control Packets

MQTT solutions are often deployed in hostile communication environments.

Awww' Cmon man - Internet is a nice place!
above statment is sarcasm

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According to some of the vendors, you shall not subscribe to



So that is exactly what I did
(Whatch out we got a bad— ass over here)

- Hierarchy with the # sign indicates "EVERYTHING" inside that branch
- # Without any given topics would give us what?
- /something/something/# Shows everything in this topic
- Shodan has some information about it, just the topics

I wanted to scan the entire Internet and extract what ever data there was. Not just the topics...

What Kind of Data can you get?



all your data are belong to us (port:1883 is the MQTT unencrypted port)

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Search Query: port:1883 "MQTT"

| Top Countric China: 4,92 United State Singapore: Japan: 757 Germany: 74 | 1 es: 3,412 1,312 |
|--|---|
| | Statistics during time of writing |
| | Total: 17,711 |
| | EXAMPLE DATA |
| ActiveMQ/Add ActiveMQ/Add com/XXXXXXX | visory/Consumer/Topic/> visory/Connection visory/XXXXXXXX/Topic/com/XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX/topic XX/XXX/XXXXXXXX/topic visory/Producer/Topic/com/XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX/topic |
| | |

Data is as accurate as when the shodan scan was done I BELIVE THERE IS MOAR - LETS SCAN THE INTERNETZ



Modified some example code on the net to listen to # on any given server

CODE BLOCK

```
require 'rubygems'
require 'mqtt'
#Requires MQTT for Ruby

unless ARGV.length == 1
puts "Usage: ruby hodor.rb IP"
puts "Example: ruby hodor.rb 127.0.0.1"
exit
end

IP=ARGV[0]

MQTT::Client.connect(IP,1883) do |client|
client.get('#') do |topic,message|
puts "#{topic}: #{message}"
end
end
```

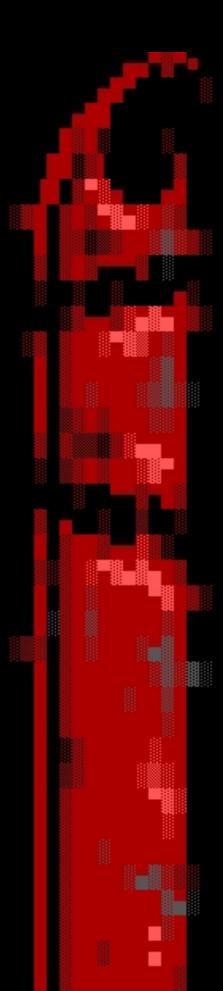


I tried an example server that I found on Shodan, just too see what kind of data I could find... Please note that alot data is

CENSURED

{"value":{"Id":"231XXXX","User":"14XX","Status":"9","Message":
"Jag är sjukskriven till och med den 12 juni. Jag hänvisar min
telefon till Ett nummer i XXXXXXXås XXXXXXXX 0XX-XXXXXXX","From":"2016-XX-XX
vidare"},"sessionId":"77762c24-12c7-4d50-XXXX-XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

Translate: I'm on a sickleave until the 12th of June
I forward my calls to a number in XYZ XYZ-AFFILIATE





{"value":{"action":"getVoiceMails", "argument":null, "_type":
"Request", "_id":"0f78a1cb-e9ee-4fdc-b7XX-XXXXXXXXXXXXX"}, "
sessionId":"0d99bfcd-2e4a-4039-XXXX-XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX"}
ebe9091f-35e3-4289-b0XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
{"value":{"_type":
"RequestResponse", "chunk":"
W3siSWQiOiIwIiwiU3RhdHVzIjoiTHVuYZgiLCJUeXBIIjoiUmV
sYXRpdmUiLCJZZWFyIjowLCJNb250aCI6
MCwiRGF5IjowLCJIb3VyIjoxLCJNaW51dGUiOjB9LHsiSWQiO
iIxIiwiU3RhdHVzIjoiR8OldHQgZsO2ciBkYWdlbiIsI1R5cG
6MCwiRGF5IjowLCJ
Ib3VyIjoxLCJNaW51dGUiOjB9LHsiSWQ
--SNIP --

-"Hmm" Said Lucas out loud... This smells like BASE64
-" Whats in it?!" He did a fast BASE64 Decode...

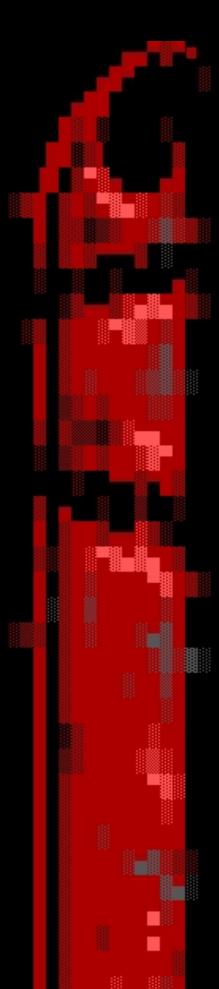
{"Id":"4XX","Username":"8XXX","MobilePhone":"+4676XXXXXXXX",
"OfficePhone":"+46XXXXXXXXX","FirstName":"AXXXX","LastName":"
"Name":"AXXXX XXXX"},{"Id":"XXXXX","Username":"2XXX",
"MobilePhone":"+46XXXXXXXXXX","OfficePhone":"+46XXXXXXXXXX",
"FirstName":"AXXXXXX","LastName":" von XXXXXXXX",
"Name":"AXXXXXX XXX XXXXXXXX"},

UserIDs, Phone Numbers, Names, SESSTION TOKENS!

And from what SERVICE. Attacker can set a token... done..

There is enough info to cause severe damage

This is info transmitted LIVE!





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of reading the manual, and spending time I just reversed the protocol when subscribi ping the transaction to a pcap, now w by script I made would be super slow scanni re internet. t is the FASTEST scanner I know can I send data with that scan without further ado... e a massive applause for Robert Graham's * Make a drumroll effect with your mouth* MASSCAN! Turns out that masscan can actually send data!

How ever, I have only seen Robert getting it to work. The Kraken only obeys its master - Or does it?



Buy Mr.Graham
As many beers as
you can! Tell him
Acidgen says hi!

- Masscan is able to send data using --hello-string
- Only proof it works is from Mr.Graham
 Seen alot of non-working examples and #fails
- Ok, so lets use Roberts Examples on Iptables to get banners
 Together with some standard encapsulation in the terminal
- We also need to Base64 the binary string we reversed before

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```
*String used: ECIABk1RSXNkcAMCAA8AFHJ1Ynlncm1ybXE5eWlyMm5scHpvggYAAQABIwA==
*Other flags: --banners --source-port 60000 -oB ibm.bin --rate 100000
--exclude 255.255.255.255
```

*Range: 0.0.0.0/0

Masscan Current Setup: 2,8 Million results into ELK (Elastisearch Logstash, Kibana = PAIN) Filtering Junk: Not all 1883 are MQTT + Only Identifiable Device Types: ActiveMQ: 4,520 Others: 14,487 Unknown: Around 40,000+ Statistics during time of writing ----Total: 59,000 (Estimated Brokers) EXAMPLE DATA ---Tue Dec 03 11:40:12 XXX XXXXXXX9b\x01\x00\x08D:XXXXXXXXXXXXXXIIXXXXI PhXXXXXXX, PhXXXX, XaiXXXXXXXXX We have a case of infectious Lassa There is a expected 6.2m flood.; Tue Dec 03 XX:XX:XX XXX XXX XX\x9a\x01\x00\xXXX:HiXXXXX[NEXXXXXX][181] HiXXXXX, HiXXXXX, Vixxxxxxx: We have a case of maybe infectious Malaria. 599 people are infected! <-Example data from EBS (Unknown if REAL) —————— Now I have the data sent to the Broker! ----

This is serious enought for anyone to "listen" to
THE BIG QUESTION REMAINS - CAN I INTERACT WITH IT?
COULD I SEND "4213 PEOPLE INFECTED WITH THE ZOMBIE VIRUS" ?
BEFORE WE FIND OUT - WHAT MORE SCARY STUFF IS THERE?
HIGH-RES GRFX TIME!

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Pipeline Pressure(Control server)

I do not want to know, whats going on here They seem to be tracking someone

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```
Cars (I think it is, since its on a road moving Lat+Long)
[{"t":"xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx","d":[{"id":
"GPS_LatLng","v":"xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
     "},{"id":"F_SPEED","v":"81"},
{"id":"F_LON_G","v":"0.2 "},{"id":"F_ACL_POS",
"o":"81"}, {"id":"F_SW_BRAKE", "o":"0"},
{"id":"F_TURNR","o":"0"},{"id":"F_TURNL","
υ":"0"},{"id":"F_SENSOR","υ":"1"}]}]
Lets put all this on MQTT
1: http://
Username:
Password:
2: Project to work
Members Registration System
Source code: http://sun.XXX.)
DB: http://sun.XXXXXXXX -
Project is in VS 2012 using MS Sql Server
3: Tasks List
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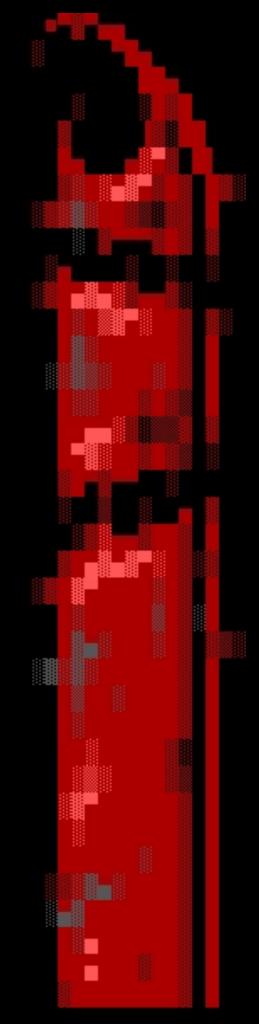
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Ok... Let's get back to more of those later It is going to get much much worse...



Do you remember the question i asked? Can we send data to it?





Bite it augh Yeah i like it bit.ly/29N987X

Not ONLY can we listen in on data beeing sent.

We can SEND DATA IN!

Alright, so you are mentally asking; -"There has to be some kind of... well trust thing, that it only accepts data coming from a valid host or something? Right?"

Not to my knowledge, that is completely up to the "client" who reacts on the data.

And how would the client know? It's not like there is an IP?

But But But... You can encode the data beeing sent?

Might work, sometimes. The MQTT is installed on sensors that are Low powered, low CPU.

Might not always work.

(ARE YOU NOT ENTERTAINED?!)





XSS? Is it possible? It would all depend on how the data is handled. Again, let us use example code that is avalible online

HIGHRES IMG IS HERE!



And I heard, as it were, the noise of thunder:
One of the four beasts saying: "Come and see." And I saw.
And behold, a vanilla XSS .

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yomommas sql statment is so ugly she dosen't even do sanitation' DROP * --

Looking for example code for MQTT to SQL When I stumbled upon a MQTT Broker (Open Source) With example code on MQTT to SQL:

```
No sanitation on the messages above private static final String SQL_INSERT = "INSERT INTO `Messages` (`message`, `topic`, `quality_of_service`) VALUES (?,?,?)";
```

That means a SQLi should be possible! HA SQLi over MQTT! Who knew right?

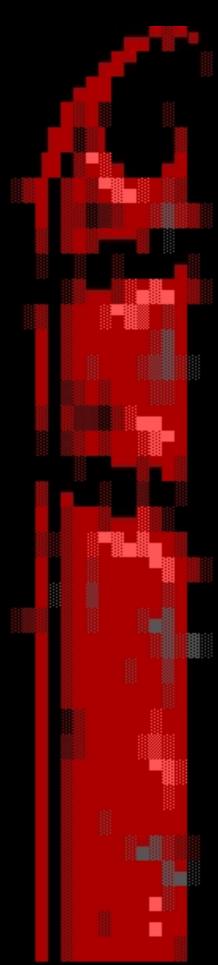
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WHOPS - is when (using public/open brokers);

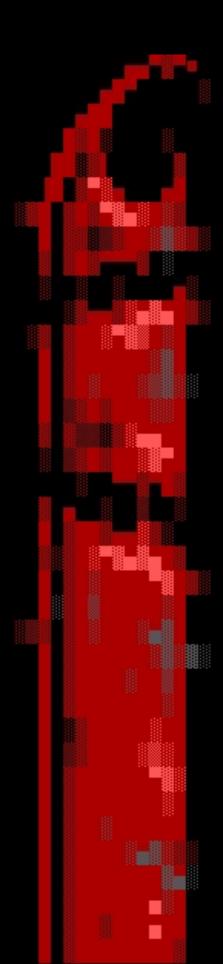
- You decided to connect your company to that MQTT broker you have
- You thought that running EBS (Emergency Broacast system) over MQTT was an awesome idea!
- The News server retrives its news from a MQTT broker
- Attaching around 15.000 ATMs to an open broken is also cool!
- Running EarthQuake alarm system getting alarms from MQTT
- Taking MQTT retrived data and pushing it directly into SQL (Lets not use any input sanitation at all)
- Using public Brokers for your Company
- Pushing Software updates via MQTT to Cars
- Installing a iPhone / Android GPS tracker to your MQTT Broker
- Exposing your bitcoin wallet throught MQTT
- Taking the MQTT data retrived and pushing it onto a Homepage
- Putting Username/Passwords/URL/IP to your development servers





What else can we find?
How about some ATMs ? Remember: WE CAN INTERACT!

status: {"boxid":XXXX,"status": {"OS":"Windows 5.1","bvStatus":{"states":[{"accepted" (,"deviceId":*,"enabled":true,"errorCritical":false, "halt":false,"id_string":"Generic CCNET VU_RU1328T ", "name": "Generic CCNET VU_RU1328T S/N S/N XXXXX ", "re jected":582, "returned":1, "stackerFull":false, "stackerPresent":true,"state":"busy","stateText":""}]}," commissionFoDay":67.859999999999999999,"currentDt":"X ","cycle":{"comission":1092.170000000001, (","fromDoc":XXXX, "moneys": {"bills": [{"count": 1, "nominal": 10}, {"count": 39, "nominal":50}, {"count":80, "nominal":100}, {"count":3, "nominal":500}, {"count":2, "nominal":1000}], "coins": [{"count":16, "nominal":1}, {"count":25, "nominal":2}, {"count":61 ,"nominal":5}, {"count":68, "nominal":10}]}, "number":14, "summ":13418.83},"dayTrafficIn":1296206,"dayTrafficOut" :1703336, "docNumber":1697, "docsForDay":6, "freeDisk": "E:N 43 GB/55 GB", "fullStartDt":" "insertedSummForDay":754,"lastActivity": "lastPayoutSumm":10514,"lastTouchClick":"13 Jul 2016 ","modem":{"balance":100,"balanceText":"Balans:100 Limit:0,01xx","locations":[{"cid":"","lac": "", "mcc": "250", "mnc": "01"}, {"cid": "0", "lac": "0", "mcc":0, "mnc":0}, {"cid":"XXXXX", "lac":"XXXXX", "mcc":XXX, "mnc":1}, {"cid":"0", "lac":"XXXXX", "mcc":250, "mnc":1}, {"cid":"0 "lac": "XXXXX", "mcc": 250, "mnc": 1}, {"cid": "0", "lac": "XXXXX", "mcc 250, "mnc":1}], "modemName": "SIEMENS MC35i REVISION 01.10_7d6c", --SNIP--

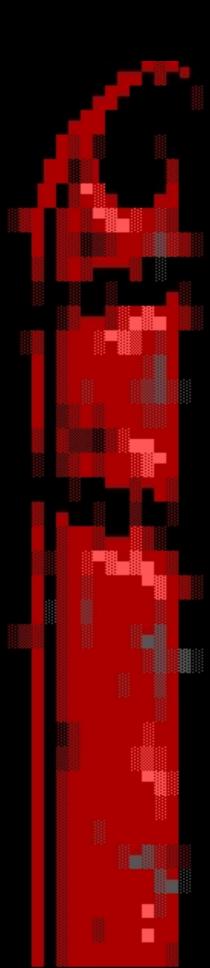




What else can we find? *Phew, Getting Hot In here...*
So, how many ATMs you ask?
Around the 14,000 Mark. How do i know?
MQTT if using a popular Broker allows me to query it Subscribing to # with e.g MQTT.fx will crash it it's too much data!

SCREENSHOT HERE:

| Clients Connected | 14667 |
|---------------------|-------|
| Clients Disconneted | 90 |
| Clients Expired | 0 |
| Clients Maximum | - |
| Clients Total | 14757 |
| | |





What else can we find?
I will just make a sum, and you can take my word for it

Prisons

Cars

Car Firmware (Entertainment system)

Alarms (HVAC etc)

Personal Tracking information (owntracks)

Fitness bands

Medical Equipment

Bitcoin info

Session tokens

Usernames / Passwords / Social Security numbers

URLs to obscure pages

Power Meters

Radiation Meters

Air Condition / Humidity control

Flight Information (Lat, long, speed, Direction, name, etc)

GeoGraphical Data (EarthQuakes, etc)

MMORPG (Stats, armour, Abilities etc)

Messaging apps (All users talking on a Messaging app, phone)

Raw data (Base64 encoded, images, audiofiles etc)

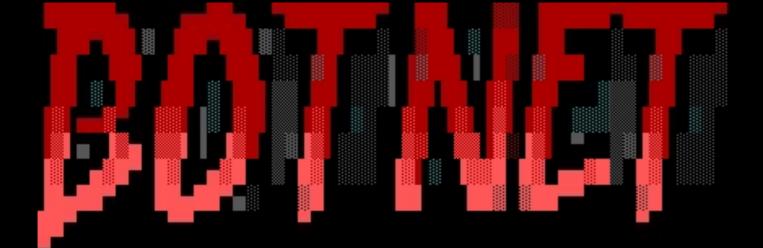
SQL Statments (wtf?)

GPS tracking (cars, boats, planes, people)

... There is soo much in there... its scary ...

Now Devs are ranting: But you are not supposed to connect this, only when testing.

Yeah of course, but there is a difference between should and whats really going on...



Your mind works best under struggle (or so they say, by they I mean me), so when I was at the toilet...this hit me;

- MQTT is designed to send data to multiple hosts
 This is done with as minimal bandwith as possible
- There are thousands of thousand of MQTT Brokers
 An attacker can choose almost anyone of these Brokers
 Or even Switch Broker if one is down
- If I where to design an example, it should work
 On both Linux / Windows etc etc
- No more need for "pesky" IRC channels any more I can use the MQTT Topics

So, this is what I did....

DEMO DEMO DEMO DEMO DEMO DEMO
THE WORLDS FIRST (?perhaps) Backdoor/Botnet over MQTT

THANK YOU There are some honorable mentions: MY.KIDS......Kid1,Kid2,Kid3 (You rock) MY.WIFE.....Thank you for putting up with me roy/SAC.....roy/SAC (www.roysac.com) ANSI NIKI7A......Thanks for the time extension NEAL.HINADOCHA......Thanks for talking me into it DARK.TANGENT.....DefCon Founder MARC.THIELE....ANSI Stuff ACID.....They made Awesome ANSI KYPRIANOS......Thanks for listening to me MICHELE.ORRU......The Italian Stallion ZYPZYP......King ZypZyp (a.k.a the baws) PIOTR.DYZ..Dy..ahh.fuck.it......Thanks for helping out FORTCONSULT......My Collegues and friends GIOTIS.....Souvlaki brother CORELANCOD3R.....Adopt me ROBERT.GRAHAM.....(M)ASSCAN!, It R0x0rs! HDM......Make a MQTT Meterpreter :D AND A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU TO YOU PEOPLE FEEL FREE TO HIT ME UP Oac idgen

Lets make the Internet Secure again