Generation of Applicative Attacks Scenarios Against Industrial Systems

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Industrial Systems 1/2







Hot topic

- Since Stuxnet (2009):
 - Complex attack ending up in increasing speed of Iranian centrifuges to damage them.
 - Also attacked the process monitoring to trick operators.
- Protection becoming a priority for government agencies.

Industrial Systems 2/2

- A SCADA controls a PLC which controls a motor.
- Variable MotorStatus on the PLC.



Industrial Communication Protocols

MODBUS (1979)

- No security at all.
- Some academic works to secure it (not used in practice):
 - Cryptographic asymmetric signatures [FCMT09]
 - Message Authentication Codes [HEK13]

OPC-UA (2006)

- Security layer: OPC-UA SecureConversation (similar to TLS).
- Three security modes:
 - None, Sign, SignAndEncrypt.

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Cryptographic Protocols Verification

Mutual Authentication Protocol: Needham-Schroeder



Designed and **proved** in 1978. Broken in 1995 (17 years after) **with an automated tool**.



 \Rightarrow Need for automation: numerous tools exist (e.g.: Tamarin [MSCB13] or ProVerif [Bla01]).

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Related Works on Verification of Industrial Protocols

Ref	Year	Studied Protocols	Analysis
[CRW04]	2004	DNP3, ICCP	Informal
[DNvHC05]	2005	OPC, MMS, IEC 61850 ICCP, EtherNet/IP	Informal
[GP05]	2005	DNP3	Formal (OFMC)
[IEC15]	2006	OPC-UA	Informal
[PY07]	2007	DNP3	Informal
[FCMT09]	2009	MODBUS	Informal
[HEK13]	2013	MODBUS	Informal
[WWSY15]	2015	MODBUS, DNP3, OPC-UA	Informal
[Amo16]	2016	DNP3	Formal (Petri nets)
[PPL16]	2016	OPC-UA	Formal (ProVerif)
[DPP ⁺ 17]	2017	MODBUS, OPC-UA	Formal (Tamarin)

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Motivations on Studying OPC-UA Security

Probably next standard for industrial communications:

- Recent (2006).
- Designed by a consortium of key stakeholders.

Official specifications: 978 pages:

- Several terms redefined afterward.
- Highly context dependent.
- \Rightarrow Unclear on the use of some security features.

Objective: Propose a formal model of the handshake from the specifications.

• Published in SAFECOMP'16, Trondheim, Norway.

Modeling Credentials in ProVerif

Login

Takes as parameter the public key of a host. \Rightarrow Anybody can usurp a login.

Passwd

Takes as parameter the private key of its owner. Takes as parameter the public key of the server.

Equational Theory Added to ProVerif

 $\label{eq:second} \begin{array}{l} \mbox{verifyCreds}(pk(S),\mbox{ Login}(pk(C)),\mbox{Passwd}(sk(C),\mbox{ pk}(S))) = \mbox{true}. \\ \mbox{Allows to verify if a password and a login are matching and if password is the one the server knows (using its public key). \end{array}$

Key Takeaways on OPC-UA Analysis

Two attacks found when security features are removed

Possible reuse of cryptographic signatures (leads to replay attacks). Possible attacks on passwords in absence of key-wrapping. Specifications are elusive on purpose for interoperability.

Next steps

Test real implementations. Application to other industrial protocols. Model properties such as flow integrity, important for industry.

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Contributions

 \Rightarrow Main Objective: add properties adapted to industrial systems in automatic verification tools.

• Published in SECRYPT'17, Madrid, Spain.

Contributions

- Formalization and implementation of properties for industrial systems in Tamarin
- Tested on 2 real industrial protocols and academic works

$$S_{A,B} = \boxed{M_1} \boxed{M_2} \boxed{M_3} \boxed{M_4}$$
$$\downarrow$$
$$R_{A,B} = \boxed{M_1} \boxed{M_4} \boxed{M_3}$$

Properties and relations among them



Figure : Relationships: $A \Rightarrow B$ if a protocol ensuring A also ensures B.

- Classical network properties (e.g.: TCP sequence numbers)
 - \Rightarrow Never implemented in protocol verification tools
- Can an intruder tamper with these sequence numbers?

Flow Authenticity (FA)

Property

 \ll All messages are received in the same order they have been sent. \gg

 $\forall i, j : time, A, B : agent, m, m_2 : msg.($ $Received(A, B, m)@i \land Received(A, B, m_2)@j \land i < j)$ $) \Rightarrow (\exists k, l : time.$ $Sent(A, B, m)@k \land Sent(A, B, m_2)@l \land k < l))$

Key Takeaways on Flow Integrity

• Formalization of 9 Flow Integrity properties with various security levels

- Implementation in Tamarin
- No modification to Tamarin source code

- Tested on 2 real industrial protocols and academic works (16 models total)
- All models and attacks publicly available

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Idea & Contributions

- A²SPICS: Find applicative attacks on industrial systems:
 - Considering an attacker already in the system;
 - What possible actions on the industrial process.
 - E.g.: Nozzle opens with no bottles under it.
- Implementation using the UPPAAL model-checker;
- Proof-of-concept on a case study.
- Published in FPS'17, Nancy, France.

Generic verification tools vs. Protocol verification tools

- Generic tools: model-checkers, smt-solvers, etc.
- Protocol verification tools: embed attacker logic.
- Trade-off: tool optimized for verification with attackers vs. granularity.

The A²SPICS Approach



Phase 1 presented at AFADL/MTV2/MFDL 2016 in Besançon.

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Topologies

Network topology of the system (expressed in CSP, π -calculus, etc):

- Communication channels between components;
- Position of attackers.



Attackers 1/2

Characterized by:

- Position in the topology:
 - On a channel (Man-In-The-Middle);
 - On a corrupted component (virus, malicious operator, etc).
- Capacities:
 - Possible actions on messages (intercept, modify, replay, etc);
 - Deduction system (deduce new information from knowledge, e.g.: encrypt/decrypt).
- Initial knowledge:
 - Other components;
 - Process behavior;
 - Cryptographic keys, etc.

Attackers 2/2



Four attackers:

- $A_1 = \text{close to Dolev-Yao};$
- Other are subsets of A_1 .

Attacker	Modify	Forge	Replay
A_1	 Image: A set of the set of the	1	 Image: A start of the start of
A ₂	 Image: A set of the set of the	×	×
A ₃	×	1	×
A ₄	×	×	 Image: A set of the set of the

Behaviors and Safety Properties



(a) Automaton of the behavior of the process

Properties: CTL formula:

- Φ_1 : At all time and on each path, *nozzle* is never *true* if *bottleInPlace* is *false*). $A \Box \neg$ (nozzle = true and bottleInPlace = false)
- Φ_2 : $A \Box \neg (motor = true and levelHit = false)$
- Φ_3 : $A \Box \neg (nozzle = true and motor = true)$

. \	Current State	Next State	Guard	Actions
ving	Idle	Moving	$processRun = true \land$	motor := true
P	Idle	Pouring	processRun = true ∧ bottleInPlace = true	nozzle := true
	Moving	Pouring	bottleInPlace = true	motor := false ∧ nozzle := true
	Pouring	Moving	levelHit = true	motor := true∧ nozzle := false
	Moving	Idle	processRun = false	motor := false ∧ nozzle := false
	Pouring	Idle	processRun = false	motor := false \ nozzle := false

(b) Transitions Details

Results on the case study

All attackers on all properties (checked using UPPAAL):

- 🗸 = attack found;
- 🗡 = no attack found;
- \mathcal{O} = inconclusive (here, out of memory).

Topologies	Properties	s A ₁ A ₂		A ₃	<i>A</i> ₄
	Φ_1	 Image: A second s	1	1	×
T_1	Φ ₂	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A second s	 Image: A second s	×
	Φ ₃	 Image: A second s	1	1	×
	Φ_1	\mathcal{O}	\mathcal{O}	×	×
T_2	Φ ₂	 Image: A start of the start of	1	1	X
	Φ ₃	 Image: A second s	1	1	×

Related Works

- Survey on assessment of security in industrial system ([CBB⁺15, PCB13, KPCBH15]).
- Comparison criteria from [KPCBH15, CBB⁺15]:

Ref.	Туре	Focus	Process model	Probabilistic	Automated
[BFM04]	Model	А	No	No	No
[MBFB06]	Model	А	No	Yes (E)	No
[PGR08]	Model	A	No	Yes (E,H)	No
[TML10]	Model	А	No	Yes (H)	Yes
[CAL+11]	Formula	N/A	Yes	Yes (N/C)	Yes
[KBL15]	Model	А	No	Yes (E)	Yes
[RT17]	Model	A,G	Yes	No	Yes
A ² SPICS	Model	A,G	Yes	No	Yes

- Rely on Cl-Atse (protocol verification tool)
 - \blacktriangleright Dolev-Yao intruder \Rightarrow less precise control on attacker capacities
- A²SPICS aims at modeling attackers resulting on risk analysis

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Limitations

- Time and state of the process are discretized (e.g.: the bottle is either empty or full).
- Number of actions per attack is bounded (configurable, classical limitation of model-checking).
- Model only considers logical state of variables:
 - real state (i.e.: if a bottle is physically present or not);
 - logical state (i.e.: if the variable bottleInPlace is set to true);
 - properties are verified on logical state;
 - if a captor is written, a decorrelation is introduced.

 \Rightarrow Can lead to missed attacks (e.g.: Φ_1).

Perspectives

- Study how to address former model limitations.
- Assess example from [RT17] for a better comparison.
- Allow collusions between intruders.
- Consider resilience properties.
- Tentative of automation with ProVerif and Tamarin.
 - Apply formalisms of [RT17].

• Combine protocol and safety properties verification.

Conclusion

Thanks for your attention!

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