

MOBILE HACKING

ASSESSING MOBILE APPLICATIONS

iOS CHEATSHEET V1.1



MAIN STEPS

- Review the codebase
- Run the app
- Dynamic instrumentation
- Analyze network communications

OWASP MOBILE SECURITY PROJECTS

Mobile Security Testing Guide

https://github.com/OWASP/owasp-mstg

Mobile Application Security Verification Standard

https://github.com/OWASP/owasp-masvs

Mobile Security Checklist

https://github.com/OWASP/owasp-mstg/tree/master/Checklists

TOOLS

- Frida
- Objection
- Impactor
- BurpSuite
- Wireshark
- Fsmon

Filesystem

/User/Library/FrontBoard/applicationState.db

App list database

/private/var/containers/Bundle/Application/UUID/App.app

- Binary directory: include all the static resources of the app /private/var/containers/Bundle/Application/UUID/App.app/App
- Path of the binary (executable)
- /private/var/containers/Bundle/Application/UUID/App.app/Info.plist
- App metadata: configuration of the app (icon to display, supported document types, etc.) /private/var/mobile/Containers/Data/Application/Data-UUID
- Data directory

UUID (Universally Unique Identifier): random 36 alphanumeric characters string unique to the app Data-UUID: random 36 alphanumeric characters string unique to the app

Bundle ID

The bundle ID represents the app's unique identifier (e.g. for YouTube); com.google.ios.youtube

How to find the data and binary directories

Grep is the quick 'n dirty way to find where are the data and binary directories of your app iPhone: ~ root# grep -r <App name> /private/var/*

How to find the data and binary directories and the Bundle ID

By launching Frida with the ios-app-info script

frida -U <App name> -c dki/ios-app-info

And then

[iPhone::App]-> appInfo()

Or manually by opening the app list database

iPhone:~ root# sqlite3 /User/Library/FrontBoard/applicationState.db

And displaying the key_tab table to get the binary directories

sqlite> select * from key tab;

Or displaying the application_identifier_tab table to get the bundle IDs sqlite> select * from application_identifier_tab;

Monitor filesystem access

Fsmon (https://github.com/nowsecure/fsmon) let you monitor which files are accessed iPhone: ~ root# fsmon-ios -P <App_name>

App decryption

- 1. Add https://level3tjg.me/repo source to Cydia and install bfdecrypt tool
- Go to bfdecrypt pref pane in Settings and set the app to decrypt
- Launch the app to decrypt: decrypted IPA is stored in the Documents folder of the app

Dynamic analysis with Frida

List all processes

frida-ps -U

Analyse the calls to a method by launching Frida with the objc-method-observer script

frida -U <App name> -c mrmacete/objc-method-observer

And then using the command 'observeSomething'

[iPhone::App]-> observeSomething('*[* *<Method name>*]');

Hook the calls to the method <Method name>

frida-trace -U <App_name> -m "-[* <Method_name>*]"

Then open the JavaScript handler file to edit the onEnter or onLeave functions to manipulate the behavior of the app

Dynamic analysis with Objection

Inject objection

objection -g "<App_name>" explore

List the classes (output will contain thousands of lines)

ios hooking list classes

List the methods of a class

ios hooking list class_methods <Class_name>

Search for classes methods names containing < String>

ios hooking search classes | methods < String >

Analyse the calls to the method <Method_name>

ios hooking watch method "-[<Class_name> <Method_name>]"

Hook the <Method_name> and return true to each call

ios hooking set return_value "-[<Class_name> <Method_name>]" true

Get the NSLog (syslog)

Impactor (http://www.cydiaimpactor.com) let you display the NSLoq (sysloq) on command line # ./Impactor idevicesyslog -u <UDID>



MOBILE HACKING

ASSESSING MOBILE APPLICATIONS

iOS CHEATSHEET V1.1



MAIN STEPS

- Review the codebase
- Run the app
- Dynamic instrumentation
- Analyze network communications

OWASP MOBILE APPLICATION SECURITY

Mobile Application Security Testing Guide

https://mas.owasp.org/MASTG/

Mobile Application Security Verification Standard

https://mas.owasp.org/MASVS/

Mobile Application Security Checklist

https://mas.owasp.org/MAS_checklist/

TOOLS

- Frida
- Objection
- Impactor
- BurpSuite
- Wireshark

SSL Interception with BurpSuite

- Launch Burp and modify proxy settings in order to listen on "All interfaces"
- Browse to the IP/port of your Burp proxy using Safari
- Tap on the "CA Certificate" at the top right of the screen
- Tap on "Allow" on the pop-up asking to download a configuration profile
- Go to "Settings->Profile Downloaded" and select the "PortSwigger CA" profile
- 6. Tap on "Install" then "Install" again and then "Install" one last time
- Edit the wireless network settings on your device to set a proxy ("Settings->Wi-Fi" then tap on the blue "i", slide to the bottom of the screen and tap on "Configure Proxy")
- Tap on "Manual", set the IP/port of your Burp proxy, tap on "Save"
- Go to "Settings->General->About->Certificate Trust Settings" & toggle on the PortSwiggerCA

Bypass SSL Pinning using SSL Kill Switch 2

Download and install SSL Kill Switch 2 tweak

wget https://github.com/nabla-c0d3/ssl-kill-

switch2/releases/download/0.14/com.nablac0d3.sslkillswitch2_0.14.deb

- # dpkg -i com.nablac0d3.sslkillswitch2 0.14.deb
- # killall -HUP SpringBoard

Go to "Settings->SSL Kill Switch 2" to "Disable Certificate Validation"

UDID (Unique Device Identifier)

UDID is a string that is used to identify a device. Needed for some operations like signature, app installation, network monitoring

Get UDID with MacOS

idevice id -l

Get UDID with Linux

usbfluxctl list

Network capture (works also on non jailbroken devices)

MacOS (install Xcode and additional tools and connect the device with USB)

- # rvictl -s <UDID>
- # tcpdump or tshark or wireshark -i rvi0

Linux (get https://github.com/gh2o/rvi_capture and connect the device with USB)

./rvi_capture.py --udid <UDID> iPhone.pcap

Sideloading an app with IPAPatch

Sideloading an app including an instrumentation library like Frida let you interact with the app even if it's installed on a non jailbroken device.

- 1. Clone the IPAPatch project
- # git clone https://github.com/Naituw/IPAPatch
- 2. Move the IPA of the app you want to sideload to the Assets directory
- # mv <IPAfile> IPAPatch/Assets/
- 3. Download the FridaGadget library (in Assets/Dylibs/FridaGadget.dylib)
- # curl -0 https://build.frida.re/frida/ios/lib/FridaGadget.dylib
- 4. Select the identity to sign the app
- # security find-identity -p codesigning -v
- 5. Sign FridaGadget library
- # codesign -f -s <IDENTITY> FridaGadget.dylib
- 6. Then open IPAPatch Xcode project, Build and Run.

Sideloading an app with Objection

(detailed steps on https://github.com/sensepost/objection/wiki/Patching-iOS-Applications)

- # security find-identity -p codesigning -v
- # objection patchipa --source <IPAfile> --codesign-signature <IDENTITY>
- # unzip <patchedIPAfile>
- # ios-deploy --bundle Payload/my-app.app -W -d
- # objection explore

Data Protection Class

Four levels are provided by iOS to encrypt automatically files on the device:

- 1. **NSProtectionComplete**: file is only accessible when device is unlocked (files are encrypted with a key derived from the user PIN code & an AES key generated by the device)
- 2. NSProtectionCompleteUntilFirstUserAuthentication: (defaut class) same except as before, but the decryption key is not deleted when the device is locked
- **ProtectedUnlessOpen**: file is accessible until open
- **NoProtection**: file is accessible even if device is locked

Get Data Protection Class

By launching Frida with the ios-dataprotection script

frida -U <App name> -c ay-kay/ios-dataprotection