3 Lab tasks: debugging .NET and Android applications

3.1 Task: reversing .NET binaries (6p)

Perform the following tasks using the task1.exe binary:

- Investigate task1.exe however you see fit. Spend no more than 10-15 minutes trying to approach the binary as usual, with IDA Pro.
 - From IDA we can not deduce much, besides the fact that there are some
 Windows registers, some temporary files and some paths computations used
 by the executable

• There are also the privileges shutdown

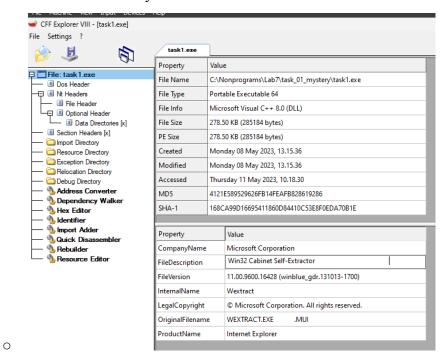
```
sub_140004ED8(0i64, 0x4F5u, 0i64, 0i64, 0x10u, 0);
  sub_140001890
                                      13
                                               return 0i64;
f sub_140001958
  sub_1400019F4
                                      15
                                             LookupPrivilegeValueA(0i64, "SeShutdownPrivilege", (PLUID)NewState.Privileges);
                                      1617
                                            NewState.PrivilegeCount = 1;
  sub_140002068
                                            NewState.Privileges[0].Attributes = 2;
f sub_14000233C
                                      18 v2 = AdjustTokenPrivileges(TokenHandle, 0, &NewState, 0, 0i64, 0i64);
                                      • 19 CloseHandle
• 20 if (!v2)
f sub_140002500
                                                    ndle(TokenHandle);
  sub_1400025B4
                                        21
f sub_1400026D8
                                      22
                                               v3 = 1270;
```

I also tried to unzip and run it

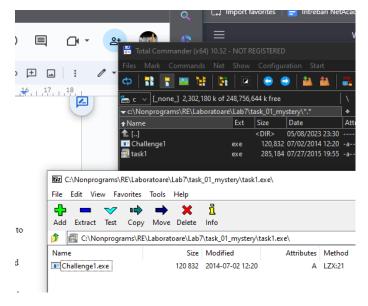


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• Next, open the binary in the CFF Explorer and look for the "FileDescription" field. What value does the binary have and what does it mean?

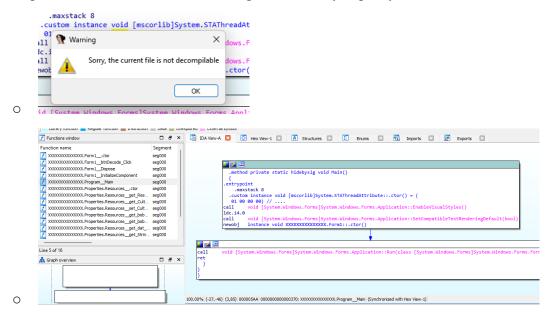


- The value is "Win32 Cabinet Self-Extractor" implies that the file is a self-extracting archive that was created in .cab file format (compress and package files). Using this format there is not need for an additional software to extract because it is "self-extracting".
- There can be included more file in .cab archived files, which can be extracted together.
- Open the binary in 7z or Winrar, extract the underlying executable and open it in IDA Pro. Explain why you think the extraction works. (2p)



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- The extraction can be computed because of the volatile property of .cab files, which is an widely-used format for Windows archive files (especially the self-extracting ones, which means they have their own mechanism in order to auto-dearchivate). The extraction with third party software like 7-Zip or WinRAR works because the self-extracting file is based on the standard Cabinet file format and includes a compressed archive of the files to be extracted along with an executable program that can extract the files. The tool can use this program to extract the content, which means that these 2 softwares are compatible with cab format.
- What type of file is recognized in this executable by IDA Pro? Notice that decompilation does not work and reading the assembly is pretty hard.



• Now use dnSpy (64 bit) to open the binary and poke around in btnDecode_Click. Find the correct output (either through static analysis or dynamic analysis, both using dnSpy). (4p)

```
// Token: 0x06000002 RID: 2 RVA: 0x00002060 File Offset: 0x000000260
private void btnDecode_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
    this.pbRoge.Image = Resources.bob_roge;
    byte[] dat_secret = Resources.dat_secret;
    string text = "";
    foreach (byte b in dat_secret)
        text += (char)((b >> 4 | ((int)b << 4 & 240)) ^ 41);
    text += "\0";
    string text2 = "";
    for (int j = 0; j < text.Length; j += 2)</pre>
        text2 += text[j + 1];
        text2 += text[j];
    string text3 = "";
    for (int k = 0; k < text2.Length; k++)</pre>
        char c = text2[k];
        text3 += (char)((byte)text2[k] ^ 102);
    this.lbl_title.Text = text3;
```

```
// Token: 0x17000005 RID: 5
// (get) Token: 0x0600000C RID: 12 RVA: 0x000002468 File Offset: 0x000000668
internal static byte[] dat_secret
{
    get
    {
        object @object = Resources.ResourceManager.GetObject("dat_secret", Resources.resourceCulture);
        return (byte[])@object;
    }
}
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[EditorBrowsable(EditorBrowsableState.Advanced)]
internal static CultureInfo Culture
{
    get
    {
        return Resources.resourceCulture;
    }
    set
    {
        Resources.resourceCulture = value;
    }
}
```

- I extracted the secret
 - 0xA1 0xB5 0x44 0x84 0x14 0xE4 0xA1 0xB5 0xD4 0x70 0xB4 0x91 0xB4 0x70 0xD4 0x91 0xE4 0xC4 0x96 0xF4 0x54 0x84 0xB5 0xC4 0x40 0x64 0x74 0x70 0xA4 0x64 0x44

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
    unsigned char x[] = {0xA1,0xB5,0x44,0x84,0x14,0xE4,0xA1,0xB5,0xD4,0x70,0xB4,0x91,0xB4,0x70,0xD4,0x91,0xE4,0xC4,0x96,0xF4,0x54,0x84,0xB5,0xC4,0x40,0x64,0x74,0x70,0xA4,0x64,0x44};
    cout << x;
    return 0;
}

...Program finished with exit code 0
Press ENTER to exit console.</pre>
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```
string btnDecode_Click_decryption ( unsigned char dat_secret[32])
{
    string text = "";
    unsigned char b;
    for (int i = 0; i < 32; i++)
    {
        b = dat_secret[i];
        text += (char)((b >> 4 | ((int)b << 4 & 240)) ^ 41);
    }
    text += "\0";
    string text2 = "";
    for (int j = 0; j < text.size(); j += 2)
    {
        text2 += text[j + 1];
        text2 += text[j; + 1];
        text3 = "";
        for (int k = 0; k < text2.size(); k++)
        {
              char c = text2[k];
              text3 += (char)(text2[k] ^ 102);
        }
    return (text3);
}

int main()
{
    unsigned char x[32] = {0 x A 1, 0 x B 5, 0 x 4 4, 0 x 8 4, 0 x 1 4, 0 x E 4, 0 x A 1, 0 x B 5, 0 x D 4, 0 x 7 9, 0 x D 4, 0
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○ So, the secret is: ��D�轗�p���pεĖ�T���@dtp�dD

3.2 Task: reversing Android binaries (9p)

Perform the following tasks using the task2 binary:

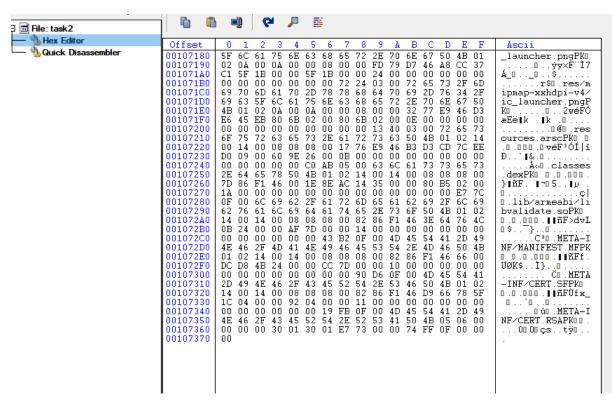
- What type of file is it? How can you unpack it? Run the application in an emulator. (2p)
 - We can not deduce the format from CFF Explorer

_	Property	Value
File: task2 Hex Editor Quick Disassembler	File Name	C:\Nonprograms\Lab7\task_02_android\task2
	File Type	Unknown format
	File Info	Unknown format
	File Size	1.03 MB (1078129 bytes)
	PE Size	Not a Portable Executable.
	Created	Monday 08 May 2023, 13.15.36
	Modified	Monday 08 May 2023, 13.15.36
	Accessed	Thursday 11 May 2023, 13.17.49
	MD5	8AFCFDAE4DDC16134964C1BE3F741191
	SHA-1	07E1333D5FC331F416E144078EA4293356719BB1
	Property	Value
	Empty	No additional info available

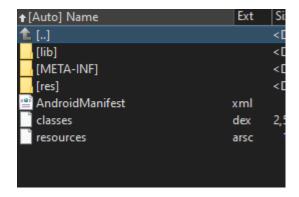
- The only information we can extract is that the file is not a PE
- If we see the hex we can see more metadata

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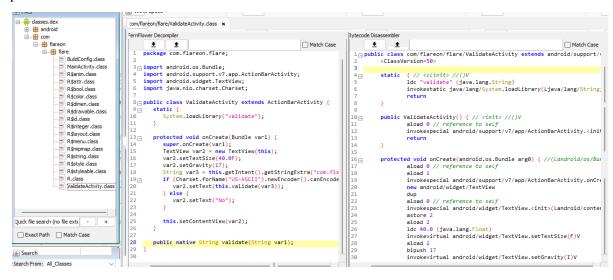
Using total commander we can see the content



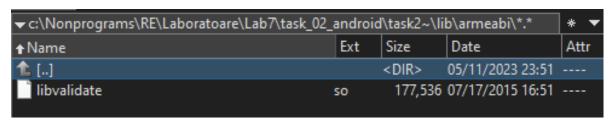
So it seems the file is also an archive type. If we analyze it using an ubuntu subsystem, we can conclude that the file is a JAR

```
ubuntu@Compzilla:/mnt/c/Nonprograms/RE/Laboratoare/Lab7/task_02_android$ find -maxdepth 1 -type f -ls -exec file -b {} \;
21673573206766064 56 -rwxrwxrwx 1 ubuntu ubuntu 53317 Apr 25 2020 ./jni.h
C++ source, ASCII text
16888498602751831 1056 -rwxrwxrwx 1 ubuntu ubuntu 1078129 Jul 27 2015 ./task2
Java archive data (JAR)
ubuntu@Compzilla:/mnt/c/Nonprograms/RE/Laboratoare/Lab7/task_02_android$
```

- Use Bytecode Viewer to open the same file. Look under "com" through the Activity classes. Where is the password checked? What does Loadlibrary do and where is the library file?
 - password check



- The System.loadLibrary() function in Java is used to load a native library "validate" in JVM memory.
- The library can be found in project's path



Open it in IDA, look in the "Java_com_flareon_flare_ValidateActivity_validate" function.

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Imports
                                                                                lint __fastcall Java_com_flareon_flare_ValidateActivity_validate(int a1, int a2, int a3)
unction name
f __cxa_atexit
f __cxa_finalize
f memset
f memcpy
f strlen
                                                                                2 {
                                                                               2 | 3 | int v3; // r5 | 4 | int v4; // r6 | 5 | int (_fastcall *v5)(int, const char *); // r3 | 6 | int v6; // r0 | 7 | const char *v7; // r1 | rad int v8; // r4
     memcmp
                                                                             8 unsigned int v8; // r4
9 int v9; // r7
10 unsigned int i; // [sp+0h] [bp-1888h]
11 int v12; // [sp+4h] [bp-1884h]
12 int v13; // [sp+8h] [bp-1880h]
13 signed int v14; // [sp+Ch] [bp-18ACh]
14 unsigned int v15; // [sp+1Ch] [bp-18ASh]
15 char v16[92]; // [sp+1Ch] [bp-189Ch]
16 char v17; // [sp+78h] [bp-1840h]
     raise
f abort
f __cxa_begin_cleanup
f __cxa_type_match
f _sub_E20
Java_com_flareon_flare_ValidateActivity_va
                                                                                      v3 = a1;
v13 = a3;
j_memset(&v17, 0, 6952);
j_memcpy(v16, &off_5004, 92);
v4 = (*(int (_fastcall **)(int, int, _DWORD))(*(_DWORD *)v3 + 676))(v3, v13, 0);
if ( v4 && (unsigned int)((int (*)(void))j_strlen)() <= 0x2E )</pre>
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Output window
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Load jni.h using File/Load File/Parse C header file and retype the function as "int
 __fastcall Java_com_flareon_flare_ValidateActivity_validate(JNIEnv *jnienv, int a2,
 jstring input)"

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    1 int __fastcall Java_com_flareon_flare_ValidateActivity_validate(JNIEnv *jnienv, int a2, jstring input)
    2 {
         JNIEnv *v3; // r5
        int v4; // r0
        int v5; // r6
   6 jstring (_cdecl *v6)(JNIEnv *, const char *); // r3
7 JNIEnv *v7; // r0
8 const char *v8; // r1
        unsigned int v9; // r4
  10 int v10: // r
 int v10; // r7
insigned int i; // [sp+0h] [bp-1BB8h]
int v13; // [sp+4h] [bp-1BB4h]
ijtring v14; // [sp+8h] [bp-1B80h]
signed int v15; // [sp+Ch] [bp-1BACh]
unsigned int v16; // [sp+10h] [bp-1BACh]
char v17[92]; // [sp+1Ch] [bp-1B9Ch]
char v18; // [sp+78h] [bp-1B40h]
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       v3 = jnienv;
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       v14 = input;
       j_memset(&v18, 0, 6952);
j_memcpy(v17, &off_5004, 92);
v4 = ((int (__fastcall *)(JNIEnv *, jstring, _DWORD))(*v3)->GetStringUTFChars)(v3, v14, 0);
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       if ( v4 && (unsigned int)j_strlen(v4) <= 0x2E )</pre>
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      00000E64 Java com flareon flare ValidateActivity validate:14 (E64)
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• Reverse the function and find the correct input. (7p)