



## HACKIT CTF 2018 WRITE-UP

Misc Challenges – Trap-O-Saur



## **Challenge Description**

You have two choices: Either use your hard earned leet skill indefinitely or be calm and think deep. One of them will yield you the path to flag.

misc03.pyc - attached

## **Solution**

We have got a compiled python program. The first step was to decompile it using <u>Uncompyle6</u> tool:

```
root@kali:/tmp# uncompyle6 -o ./decompiled.py misc03.pyc
# Successfully decompiled file
```

Uncompyle6 is a Native Python cross-version decompiler and fragment decompiler. The successor to decompyle, uncompyle, and uncompyle2

The resulting code after the decompiling is the following:

```
# uncompyle6 version 3.2.3
# Python bytecode 3.6 (3379)
# becompiled from: Python 2.7.13 (default, Jan 19 2017, 14:48:08)
# [GCC 6.3.0 20170118]
# Embedded file name: misc03.py
# compiled at: 2018-09-07 20:42:01
# Size of source mod 2**32: 2574161 bytes
import base64, codecs
magic = 'aWlub3J0IGJhc2UNCwgY29kZWNZCQkKbWFnaWMgPSAnYVcxdZIZSjBJR0poYZJVMk5Dd2dZMjlrWld0ekNRa0tiV0ZUYVdNZIBTOW5ZVMN4ZDJJel$
love = 'udfxulH3WVrHgSE0SQDIIGI3OVHIMIrJWdpSW1AJ4lBGIZZUYJJauSE0MHHMTAFR11pHuGI3WIEJJUHIACO3uAIxtjZIAVLHueERuaE0yuI0uAZZgHE$
god = 'rk5XOVdiwFizvjJ4VJdHVkZPVmROYTNCVIZWZHdUMWxXVZxkalJtUmhWbFp3TTFWdGVIZFRSWHBIVld4TJdGSlZiMZxXYlhoclRrWmFjazFXWkdGUlYx$
destiny = 'SSFU0fExylIRu3H0qSrIAUEmV5ExqWrIMnF3yUEyEGAHLjFGAUZ3SGpxc0IxqUH1AWIIWdpxylnxyYrHgRFUIeFKuAI3WXM1EnHIA2EzS5F0tjZG$
joy = 'rot13'
trust = eval('magic') + eval('codecs.decode(love, joy)') + eval('god') + eval('codecs.decode(destiny, joy)')
eval(compile(base64.b64decode(eval('trust')), '<string>', 'exec'))

def total(n):
    print(2 ** n * math.sqrt(6))
    print(2** n * math.sqrt(8))
    print(2 ** n * math.sqrt(8))
    print(2 ** n * math.sqrt(8))
    print('Why you no see again warning you')
    print('Why you no see again warning you')
    print('carefully follow the step else waste your time')
```



After analyzing the code, we tried extract the base64 and encrypted data and by taking the resulting object code after compilation function of <u>trust</u> variable we successfully extracted the base64 encoded data and after decoding the result, we had the following code:

```
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 GNU nano 2.8.7
import random
def conditional_roulette_probs(history):
   d1 = {}.fromkeys(history)
    for i in d1:
                           top level dict with empty list
        d1[i] = list()
   # index from current pos. for input list
    for n in range(len(history) - 1):
        # for dict unique value, index thru and list.append next value into dict
        for j in d1:
            if history[n] == j:
                d1[j].append(history[n + 1])
   # from dict, index key and use the list of next nums to calculate prob.
    for j in d1:
        d2 = {}.fromkeys(d1[j]) # create 2nd level dict from key:list
        # print(j, d2)
# index unique number in list and count respective prob.
        for x in set(d1[j]):
            # print(x, d1[j].count(x)/len(d1[j]))
            d2[x] = d1[j].count(x) / len(d1[j])
        d1[j] = d2 # assign prob.dict. into respective key in top dict
    return d1
history =eval(''+eval('str(str)[+all([])]')+eval('str(str'+eval('str('+str(eval)[eval(str((+all([])))+st
print (history)
```

As we notice the <u>history</u> variable has an obfuscated value. And the result of <u>history</u> was the following function which leads us to the final inclusion.

```
root@kali:/tmp# python3.6 decom2.py

def f(x):
    x=['s','t','e','g','o']
```



From the content of the array "<u>stego</u>", and after thinking deep enough. We managed to connect the strings of the word stego to the challenge's title, which is **Stegosaur**.

Stegosaur is a steganography tool that allows embedding arbitrary payloads in Python bytecode (pyc or pyo) files. It also can extract embedded bytecodes.

Looking to <u>Stegosaur</u> help menu, we used " $\underline{-x}$ " option to extract the embedded bytecodes which result to our flag:

root@kali:/tmp/jherron-stegosaurus-cd5c2373c031# python3.6 stegosaurus.py -x ../misc03.pyc
Extracted payload: flag{5t3g0\_ftw}