

# Analysis Notes (2)

A Grounded Theory Based Approach to Characterize  
Software Attack Surfaces

# Memo #1: Open Codes and Initial Concepts for Targets

Codings	Category
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Arbitrary file read and deletion</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Availability</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Configuration</a>	Application file
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Counter in critical sections</a>	Application code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Credentials</a>	Sensitive information
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Cryptographic Objects</a>	Application code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Execute arbitrary OS commands</a>	Application code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Exhaust disk space</a>	System-level ??
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Files</a>	System-level files
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Files on server</a>	Server-level-files
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Functions</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Gadgets</a>	Application code -serialization
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Gadgets class</a>	Application code -serialization
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: HTML/Web Script</a>	Application code-output
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Memory</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Memory (Socket Buffer)</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Memory allocation</a>	Application memory
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Node Catalog</a>	System file-distributed systems
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Not Specified</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Open web shell</a>	System-level server
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Parameter tampering</a>	Network-level (http parameter tampering)
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Reset settings</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Routing Engine</a>	Network-level
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: SQL command</a>	Application code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Spoof</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: System availability</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: System calls</a>	Application code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: Unmarshalling data to objects</a>	Application code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: User data</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: XBlock data</a>	-

<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: add admin user</a>	Deisgn-level
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: android activity</a>	Application-code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: argument type casting</a>	Application-code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: check boundary</a>	Network-level (boundary in network-packet)
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: configuration file of executable files</a>	Application-data file
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: critical directory</a>	Server-level directory
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: deserializing class</a>	Application-code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: deserializing polymorphic class</a>	Application-code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: device access</a>	Device level
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: dynamic code inclusion</a>	Application-code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: enable escalation of privilege</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: file system</a>	System-level
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: file upload</a>	Application-code UI
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: get file content</a>	Application-code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: heap-based memory</a>	MEMORY-LEVEL
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: integer operations</a>	Application-code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: kernel memory</a>	MEMORY-LEVEL
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: kernel stack memory</a>	MEMORY-LEVEL
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: lock file</a>	Application-data file
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: loop counting buffer size</a>	Application-code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: memory copy</a>	Application-code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: memory reallocation</a>	Application-code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: metadata</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: object</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: object methods in ORM</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: operating system command</a>	Application-code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: port interface management part of the operating system</a>	DESIGN-LEVEL
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: print output</a>	Application-code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: private information</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: remotely execute code</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: run source code</a>	Application-code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: sensitive information</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: software related files</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: system reboot</a>	SYSTEM REBOOT

<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: tmp file</a>	Application-DATA FILE
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: uninitialized memory</a>	Application-code MEMORY
<a href="#">CodingTagWhat: write event log</a>	Application-code

## Memo#2: Open Codes and Initial Concepts for Entry Points

<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: APDU command response</a>	Network-related protocol
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Account information file</a>	System-level file
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Administrative settings</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Administrative user interface</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Application Configuration</a>	Application-level file
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Application Configuration (design-level)</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: CSS</a>	Application-level code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Chats</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Command line arguments</a>	Input-data
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Create Repository</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: DLL File(s)</a>	Application-level code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Database</a>	Application-level data resource
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Datasource Settings</a>	Application-level code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Decompress collection file</a>	?
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Deserialization</a>	Application-level code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Document File Upload (design-level)</a>	Application-level user interface
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: EDS File</a>	Input-data file
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Editing of system data</a>	Application-level code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Files in post request</a>	Input-data file
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Filesystem Handling</a>	Application-level code file manipulation
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Firmware update</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: HTTP Headers</a>	Application-level code handle requests
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: HTTP POST</a>	Application-level code handle requests
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: HTTP POST REQUEST</a>	Application-level code handle requests
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: HTTP Redirect</a>	Application-level code handle requests
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: HTTP Request</a>	Application-level code handle requests
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: IPsec packet</a>	Network-level packets
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: IPv6 packets</a>	Network-level packets
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Image file upload</a>	Application-level code file manipulation
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Input/Output</a>	Application-level code handle input data

<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Insecure direct object reference</a>	?
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Install</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Installer component (design-level)</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Login</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Markdown Editor</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Network socket</a>	Network-level sockets
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: No entry point</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Not Specified</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: ORM Query Generator</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Plugin Administration Page (design-level)</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Port Management Interface System</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Print from file (design-level)</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: REST API</a>	Application-level code handle requests
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Render document</a>	?
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: SMB file transfer</a>	Network-related protocol
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: SQL command</a>	?
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: System call arguments/driver objects</a>	Input data
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Ticket Form</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Token Processing System</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: URL</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Update</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: User Input</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: User console</a>	Application-level User interface console
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: User console (design-level)</a>	Application-level User interface console
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: Webconsole admin GUI</a>	Application-level User interface console
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: access to the system that software installed on</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: application web console</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: application web console (design-level)</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: device related arguments</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: file upload</a>	Application-level code file manipulation
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: firmware message handlers</a>	Application-level code
<a href="#">CodingTagWhere: http get parameter</a>	Application-level code handle requests

<u>CodingTagWhere: input textbox</u>	Application-level UI
<u>CodingTagWhere: load dll</u>	Application-level code file manipulation
<u>CodingTagWhere: local access</u>	Access-level local access
<u>CodingTagWhere: network request</u>	System-level request ssh
<u>CodingTagWhere: obtain the ability to execute high-privileged code</u>	
<u>CodingTagWhere: request to system service</u>	System-level request network
<u>CodingTagWhere: system call</u>	?

## Memo#3: Open Codes and Initial Concepts for Mechanisms

<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Alter application files</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Arguments not being validated.</a>	Application-level Input validation
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Bad request</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Configuring database using unescaped shell arguments</a>	Application-level Input validation
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Cross-site Scripting (XSS)</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Decode credentials</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: File deletion based on user input</a>	Application-level Input validation
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Filename</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: HTTP Request Smuggling</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Hard-coded Credentials</a>	Improper sensitive information protection
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Improper Configuration</a>	Application-level
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Improper Screen Resizing</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Improper Server Management Configuration</a>	System-level
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Improper check</a>	Application-level
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Improper permissions</a>	Application-level
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Inadequate encryption</a>	Improper sensitive information protection
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Injecting crafted json</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Intercept HTTP request</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Invoke functions via deserialization</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Lack of input validation/sanitization</a>	Application-level Input validation
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Lack of password validation</a>	Application-level Input validation
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Low memory</a>	System-level
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Malformed file</a>	Application-level Input validation
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Man-in-the-Middle</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Manipulating Transfer-Encoding and Content-Length in http headers</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Memory allocation with incorrect size</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Missing http response security headers</a>	



<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Modification of account information file</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Modify file extension</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Not Specified</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Open file in high privilege mode</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Out of bounds memory read</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Plaintext password storage</a>	Improper sensitive information protection
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Race Condition</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Repeated requests</a>	Network-level
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Request service without user ID</a>	System-level
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Shell Command</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Shell Command via HTTP request</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: System functions</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Type confusion</a>	Application-level improper type casting
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Unauthenticated access</a>	Improper sensitive information protection
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Uncontrolled recursion</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Unencrypted credentials</a>	Improper sensitive information protection
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Use file from unsecured directory</a>	Application-level
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Use of HTTP instead of HTTPS</a>	Application-level unsafe technologies
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Use third part library</a>	Application-level
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Using CSRF vulnerability</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Using CSS filter</a>	Application-level unsafe technologies
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: Using symlink</a>	Application-level unsafe technologies
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: accessing buffer in loop without checking the buffer size</a>	Application-level improper check
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: accessing file</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: calling system calls with specific parameter</a>	Application-level unsafe technologies
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: continuously sending packet</a>	Network-level
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: do not checking file type</a>	Application-level Input validation
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: does not check input file size</a>	Application-level Input validation
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: gain administrative access</a>	Sysm-level application-level improper permission
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: have special account</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: improper input validation</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: incorrect android activity launch in tasks</a>	Application-level insecure programming practices

<a href="#">CodingTagHow: incorrect checking of boundary</a>	Application-level improper check
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: incorrect type declaration</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: inject arbitrary code</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: injecting malicious command as son parameter</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: insert crafted YAML input</a>	Application-level Input validation
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: insert crafted data</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: lack of proper locking when performing operations on an object</a>	?
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: managing XBlock resources</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: mismatched type casting</a>	Application-level insecure programming practices
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: run executables based on accessible configuration file</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: running php daemon as root</a>	application-level improper permission
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: sending multiple request together or in a short time</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: sending repeatedly malformed packets</a>	Network-level
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: serializing android parcel</a>	
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: setting improper permissions for file access</a>	application-level improper permission
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: supply crafted smartcards</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: upload crafted file name</a>	-
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: use encryption package</a>	Application-level insecure programming practices
<a href="#">CodingTagHow: web service runs under the root user</a>	System-level improper permission