xLinka 13/10/2020 iPod Click wheel Games

iPod Games when Run load the game into ram, a key is generated from the .SINF file and compared to the iPods internal key(no clue how this is generated) but removing the function at 00136B84 (1.3 5.5 Enhanced) stops the game checking for further DRM protection allowing the use to run unsigned code.

Removing this and returning its own value by changing the references to 00 00 A0 E1 essentially removed the function out. After doing so the firmware checksums have to be recalculated then saved to file before flashing to the iPod or an error will occur.

The iPod games use an AES-128-CBC encryption algorithm, and the keys are loaded into the ram as a game is running.

When Tetris 1.0 was cracked the key was found at the following address:

- 1. 13d05688 = KEY
- 2. 13b486cc (R10) = IV The key for this game was: 042DF36814CFC03B17716FC31538D767

We could assume the keys are loaded into the exact same place for the Keys and IV but not for certain.

The original 20 games used a modified OSOS to dump keys before crash to dump the memory of the iPod there's multiple ways to achieve this.

The key is unique per iPod so one key will not match another's game, so we need people who own the games and is able to sign them to iPod.

But as of 1.3 5.5 its safe to assume to key is calculated within 00136b84 as it loads other functions such as 00009d80 0x24 to a pointer data location at 00136bc4

```
00136b40 00 00 50 e3
                                                                                            00136b44 0e 0
                                                                                                                                     LAB 00136b84
00136918 99 00 00 la
                                        LAB_00136b84
                                                                                                                                     r0,[sp,#0x8c]
 0013691c 04 00 a0 e1
                                        FUN_001365e8
                                                                                             00136b4c 00 00 50 e3
 00136920 30 ff ff eb
                                                                                             00136b50 0b 00 00 0a
                                       r0,#0x0
LAB 00136b84
                                                                                                                                    LAB_00136b84
00136928 95 00 00 la
                           bne
                                                                                                                   LAB_00136b54
  0013692c 01 10 a0 e3
                           mov
                                        rl, #0x1
                                                                                             00136b54 06 00 a0 el
  00136930 01 20 a0 e3
                                                                                                                                    r0,r6
FUN_0025a3d0
                                        r2,#0x1
                                       r0,r4,#0x4
FUN_0025a324
                                                                                                                        bl
                                                                                              00136b58 1c 8e 04 eb
 00136934 04 00 84 e2
                           add
                                                                                              00136b5c 00 00 50 e3
 00136938 79 8e 04 eb
                           bl
                                                                                              00136b60 06 00 00 0a
                                                                                                                                    LAB_00136b80
  0013693c 00 60 b0 el
                                                                                              00136b64 00 30 95 e5
 00136940 8f 00 00 0a
00136944 06 00 a0 el
                                        LAB_00136b84
                                                                                                                        ldr
                                                                                                                                    r3,[r5,#0x0]
                                                                                                                                    r0,[sp,#0x8c]
                                                                                              00136b68 8c 00 9d e5
                                                                                                                        ldr
                                                                                              00136b6c 0a 20 a0 el
                                                                                              00136b70 0a 10 a0 e1
                                                                                                                                    rl,rl0
FUN_000152b0
                                                                                              00136b74 cd 79 fb eb
                                                                                                                        bl
                                                                                              00136b78 00 00 50 e3
                                                                                                                                    LAB_00136b84
                                                                                            00136b7c 00 00 00 1a
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LAB_00136b84:
    *(undefined *)(param_1 + 0x4c) = 1;
    FUN_00099d80(0x24,PTR_DAT_00136bc4);
    if (local_3c != 0) {
        FUN_00013768();
    }
    FUN_0025f8e4(iVar9);
    return uVar10;
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## **Classics/nanos:**

As of this document the classic and nanos have not been patched but as of some full NAND DUMPS using Linux to dd of=/dev/sdbx of=ipod.iso

Games when synced to the iPod created a temp file within the iPod in \iPod\_Control\iTunes\Temp File.tmp

But the file was long gone but accidently saved its data permanently to the NAND flash as shown even after formatting the device with a new pc and firmware flash the data remained no clue how this accident happed by using recover tools u can get back the TempFile.tmp but in this case all the game code was saved to the NAND and create a bin file from it – this was PACMAN on NANO3G

