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Samsung Galaxy S10 Fingerprint Reader Defeated by Silicone Case



A couple in the UK experienced a weird bug on their Samsung Galaxy S10 that allows bypassing the fingerprint reader to unlock the phone regardless of the biometric data registered in the device.

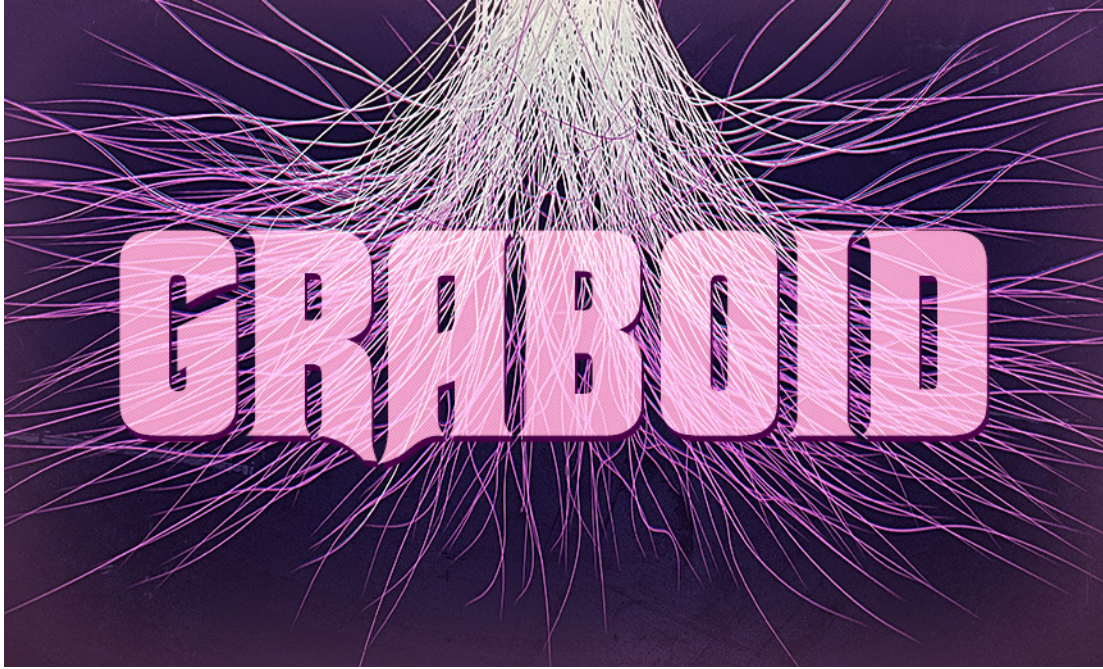
Lisa got the phone as a gift from her husband and decided to put it in a protective case. She soon discovered that even if only her own fingerprint was registered in the biometric settings of the device, the phone unlocked no matter what finger was used for the process. The culprit seems to be the silicone case, which somehow confuses Samsung Galaxy S10's fingerprint reader and allows any fingerprint to unlock the device.

Both Galaxy S10 and S10+ create a 3D map of the fingerprint using ultrasounds, with the reader being embedded under the display. These devices were the first phones to use this technology for fingerprint scanning. Also worrying is the fact that many banking apps adopted biometric authentication, so bypassing the fingerprint reader on a phone also allows executing financial operations. Following media reports that the fingerprint reader in Samsung Galaxy S10 phones unlocks the device when scanning unregistered fingerprints through a silicone case, the South Korean company informs that it will release a patch to correct the problem.

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'Graboid' Cryptojacking Worm Spreads Through Containers



Attackers are using Docker containers to spread a cryptojacking worm in a campaign dubbed "Graboid," according to researchers at Palo Alto Network's Unit 42 threat research unit. Although the researchers describe the campaign as "relatively inept," they says it has the potential to become much more dangerous.

This is the first time the researchers have seen a cryptojacking worm spread through containers in the Docker Engine (Community Edition). While the worm isn't sophisticated in its tactics, techniques or procedures, it can be repurposed by the command-and-control server to run ransomware or other malware, the researchers warn.

Researchers say that organizations can take several steps to protect containers from attack. Those include ensuring that Docker daemons are not exposed to the internet unless they have a proper authentication method, using Unix socket to communicate with the daemon locally or Secure Shell to connect to a remote daemon, and using firewalls to whitelist incoming traffic.

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What Your Personal Information is Worth to Cybercriminals



Cybercriminals have multiple markets to get illicit goods and prices on these underground forums are likely driven by supply and demand, just like in the legal economy. Offerings found on deep and dark web (DDW) markets include anything that can be monetized in one way or another. Common goods cover any financial information that can be used for bank fraud.

A typical assortment of products and services comprises personally-identifiable information, payment card data, credentials, access to compromised systems, distributed denial-of-service, forged documents, credentials, and access to compromised services. Full packages of data that can be used to steal a US victim's identity sell for \$4-\$10, the researchers say. These are called 'fullz' and include at least the name, Social Security number, date of birth, and account numbers.

Flashpoint estimates "with a moderate degree of confidence in 2019 that the price of cards in card shops likely often ranges between \$2 and \$20 USD" but it may go as high as \$200 in some cases. Although the prices above seem low, one must consider that the seller expects to deliver them in bulk. For instance, someone is offering a huge database of 90 million Brazilian citizens, while others provide entire collections of credentials, suitable for account takeover attacks via credential stuffing.

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