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CHEAT SHEET

V_{0.1}





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Filesystem

UUID (Universally Unique Identifier): random 36 alphanumeric characters string unique to the app Data-UUID: random 36 alphanumeric characters string unique to the app

/User/Library/FrontBoard/applicationState.db

App list database

/private/var/containers/Bundle/Application/UUID/App.app

- Binary directory: include all the static resources of the app
- /private/var/containers/Bundle/Application/UUID/App.app/App
- Path of the binary (executable)

/private/var/containers/Bundle/Application/UUID/App.app/Info.plist

- App metadata: configuration of the app (icon to display, supported document types, etc.) /private/var/mobile/Containers/Data/Application/Data-UUID
- Data directory

Bundle ID

The bundle ID represents the app's unique identifier (e.g. for YouTube) **com.google.ios.youtube**

How to find the data and binary directories

Grep is the not-so-quick 'n dirty way to find where are the data and binary directories of your app iPhone:~ root# grep -r <App_name> /private/var/*

How to find the data and binary directories and the Bundle ID

By launching Frida with the ios-app-info script

frida -U <App name> -c dki/ios-app-info

And then

[iPhone::App]-> appInfo()

Or manually by opening the app list database

iPhone:~ root# sqlite3 /User/Library/FrontBoard/applicationState.db

And displaying the key_tab table to get the binary directories

sqlite> select * from key tab;

Or displaying the application_identifier_tab table to get the bundle IDs

sqlite> select * from application_identifier_tab;

App decryption

- 1. Add level3tjg.github.io src to Cydia and install bfdecrypt tool
- 2. Go to bfdecrypt pref pane in Settings and set the app to decrypt
- 3. Launch the app: decrypted IPA is stored in the Documents folder of the app

Dynamic analysis with Frida

List all processes

frida-ps -U

Analyse the calls to a method by launching Frida with the objc-method-observer script

frida -U <App_name> -c mrmacete/objc-method-observer

And then using the command 'observeSomething'

[iPhone::App]-> observeSomething('*[* *doSecurityChecks*]');

Hook the calls to a method

frida-trace -U <App_name> -m "-[NSFileManager fileExistsAtPath*]"

Then open the JavaScript handler file to edit the **onEnter** or **onLeave** functions to manipulate the behavior of the app

Dynamic analysis with Cycript

Get a reference of the app instance

app = [UIApplication sharedApplication]

Display the data directory of the app

app.userHomeDirectory

Display the Bundle ID of the app

NSBundle.mainBundle.bundleIdentifier

Display the content of a directory

[[NSFileManager defaultManager] contentsOfDirectoryAtPath:@"/var/mobile/Containers/Data/"]

Check the existence of a file

[[NSFileManager defaultManager] fileExistsAtPath: @"/etc/passwd"]

Display the content of a file

[[NSFileManager defaultManager] contentsAtPath: @"/etc/passwd"]

Get the NSLog (syslog)

Impactor (http://www.cydiaimpactor.com) let you display the NSLog (syslog) on command line # ./Impactor idevicesyslog -u <UDID>



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SSL Interception with BurpSuite

- 1. Launch Burp and modify proxy settings in order to listen on "All interfaces"
- 2. Browse to the IP/port of your Burp proxy using Safari
- 3. Tap on the "CA Certificate" at the top right of the screen
- 4. Tap on "Allow" on the pop-up asking to download a configuration profile
- 5. Go to "Settings->Profile Downloaded" and select the "PortSwigger CA" profile
- 6. Tap on "Install" then "Install" again and then "Install" one last time
- 7. Edit the wireless network settings on your device to set a proxy ("Settings->Wi-Fi" then tap on the blue "i", slide to the bottom of the screen and tap on "Configure Proxy")
- 8. Tap on "Manual", set the IP/port of your Burp proxy, tap on "Save"
- 9. Go to "Settings->General->About->Certificate Trust Settings" & toggle on the PortSwiggerCA

Bypass SSL Pinning using SSL Kill Switch 2

Download and install SSL Kill Switch 2 tweak

wget https://github.com/nabla-c0d3/ssl-kill-

switch2/releases/download/0.14/com.nablac0d3.sslkillswitch2 0.14.deb

dpkg -i com.nablac0d3.sslkillswitch2 0.13.deb

killall -HUP SpringBoard

Go to "Settings->SSL Kill Switch 2" to "Disable Certificate Validation"

UDID (Unique Device Identifier)

UDID is a string that is used to identify a device. Needed for some operations like signature, app installation, network monitoring

Get UDID with MacOS

ioreg -p IOUSB -l | grep "USB Serial"

Get UDID with Linux

Isusb -s :`Isusb | grep iPhone | cut -d ' ' -f 4 | sed 's/://'` -v | grep iSerial | awk '{print \$3}'

Network capture (works also on non jailbroken devices)

MacOS (install Xcode and additional tools and connect the device with USB)

rvictl -s <UDID>

tcpdump | tshark | wireshark -i rvi0

Linux (get https://github.com/gh2o/rvi_capture and connect the device with USB)

#./rvi capture.py --udid <UDID> iPhone.pcap

Sideloading an app

Sideloading an app including an instrumentation library like Frida or Cycript let you interact with the app even if it's installed on a non jailbroken device.

Here's the process to do it with IPAPatch:

1. Clone the IPAPatch project

git clone https://github.com/Naituw/IPAPatch

2. Move the IPA of the app you want to sideload to the Assets directory

mv <IPAfile> IPAPatch/Assets/

3. Download the FridaGadget library (in Assets/Dylibs/FridaGadget.dylib)

curl -O https://build.frida.re/frida/ios/lib/FridaGadget.dylib

4. Select the identity to sign the app

security find-identity -p codesigning -v

5. Sign FridaGadget library

codesign -f -s <IDENTITY> FridaGadget.dylib

6. Then open IPAPatch Xcode project, Build and Run.

Here's the process to do it with Objection (detailed steps on

https://github.com/sensepost/objection/wiki/Patching-iOS-Applications)

security find-identity -p codesigning -v

objection patchipa --source <IPAfile> --codesign-signature <IDENTITY>

unzip <patchedIPAfile>

ios-deploy --bundle Payload/my-app.app -W -d

objection explore

Data Protection Class

Four levels are provided by iOS to encrypt automatically files on the device:

- 1. NSProtectionComplete: file is only accessible when device is unlocked (files are encrypted with a key derived from the user PIN code & an AES key generated by the device)
- 2. NSProtectionCompleteUntilFirstUserAuthentication: (defaut class) same except as before, but the decryption key is not deleted when the device is locked
- 3. ProtectedUnlessOpen: file is accessible until open
- 4. NoProtection: file is accessible even if device is locked

Get Data Protection Class

By launching Frida with the ios-dataprotection script # frida -U <App_name> -c ay-kay/ios-dataprotection

