

Training:

Reverse Engineering of Android Malware

Date of the online training: **October 21-22, 2021**

Overview

Participants learn how to analyze Android malware.

The majority of sessions consist in hands-on labs, with exercises on recent Android samples we caught. We focus on typical questions for malware analysts:

- How to reverse malware safely?
- How to find out, as quickly as possible, if a given sample is malicious or not?
- How to locate the remote CnC?
- How to deal with obfuscated classes, strings and junk code
- How to unpack malware without pain

Day 1: Reverse engineering of Android Malware - Getting started

- Introduction / Welcome
- Android malware trends
- Contents of Android application: manifest, assets, native libraries...
- Presentation of Reverse Engineering tools
- Setup of tools. A dedicated Docker container is provided to attendees
- Several labs: disassembling an app and patching it, using Smalisca, Quark and MobSF

Day 2: Dynamic load and obfuscation

- Dynamically loaded classes
- Unpacking malware with Dexcalibur, House, MobSF

- Decrypting obfuscating strings with Frida
- Implementing a JEB script
- Malware abusing Accessibility Services
- Anti-debug/VM tricks and solutions based
- Detection with APKiD
- Nearly 100% labs!
- Conclusion

Optional content: Network activity and native libraries

- Locating the CnC of a malware
- Reversing the contents of an obfuscated HTTP Post
- Re-activating debug messages with a Frida hook
- Dealing with native libraries
- Training exam

Who should attend this training?

This training is suited to a variety of students, including:

- Security researchers or engineers
- Android developers
- Anti-virus/IPS analysts
- CTF players

Prerequisites

- Be at ease in a Unix environment
- Be autonomous to install development or reverse engineering software on your host: make, git...
- Prior experience in programming, Java being strongly recommended.
- Experience in cybersecurity: malware, trojans, CnC...

- Know how to download and run Docker containers
- A prior experience on disassembly is definitely a plus.

Requirements

- Docker and docker-compose: <https://docs.docker.com>
- Training's container: `docker pull cryptax/android-re:latest``
- SSH, SCP and/or VNC client
- Recent Java Development Kit (JDK)
- Android Studio: <https://developer.android.com/studio/>
- Python 3.x
- A programming environment (IDE & build tools) e.g Emacs, Sublime, make...
- Ensure you have a few GB of disk space left...

About the Trainers

Axelle Apvrille is a happy senior researcher at Fortinet, where she hunts down any strange virus on so-called 'smart devices (smartphones, IoT). She is a frequent speaker at several conferences (Virus Bulletin, Insomnihack) and Troopers ;-). She has also given several workshops (Hack.lu, NorthSec...).

She is also the lead organizer of Ph0wn CTF, a CTF located in France and dedicated to security challenges on IoT.

Booking

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