

Rootkit for iPhone & Way to Launch Real Attack

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Outline

- iOS Security Overview
- iOS Rootkit
- Attack via Saffron
- Work Todo

General Protection

- Sandboxing (Seatbelt)
 - iOS xnu sandbox is kext and based on the TrustBSD policy framework
 - Managed each process with sandbox profiles
 - Sandbox profiles are compiled and store in KernelCache (iOS)
 - Need decompile to the human readable text format

General Protection

- None-execute page protection
 - XN (execute never) bit has been added in ARMv6
 - Stack and heap are not executable

General Protection

- ASLR
 - First introduce by Antid0te project for JB iPhone
 - Apple officially support ASLR on iOS 4.3
 - Prevent user-land ROP exploitation like JBM 2.0 (Star)
 - Also increase difficulty for the Jailbreaking

Kernel Level Protection

- Kernel memory not allow to RW by userland process
 - No /dev/mem & /dev/kmem
- No ASLR in iOS kernel (yet)
- Code sign are implement in kernel level

Kernel Level Protection

- Code Signing
 - All the binaries / libraries need to be signed in order to run on the iOS
 - Kernel will check a valid LC_CODE_SIGNATURE segment before calling `execve()`

Kernel Level Protection

- Code Signing
 - pmapping unsigned page with X or validated page has writeable mapping will be rejected.
 - See `vm_fault_enter()` implement in XNU source code.
 - `cs_enforcement_disable` variable

Kernel Level Protection

- AMFI (Apple Mobile File Integrity) kext
 - `vnode_check_signature()` calling `AMFIIsCodeDirectoryInTrustCache()` to check a program whether has valid code directory.
 - In older iOS you can disable it by `sysctl` command. But not allowed since iOS 4.2
 - Same does it with `mac_proc_enforce`.

Kernel level protection

- vnode_check_signature() details in AMFI

```
_vnode_check_signature(vnode *, label *, unsigned char *, void *, int)
; DATA XREF: _initializeAppleMobileFileIntegrity(
; com.apple.driver.AppleMobileFileIntegrity:__text

var_50      = -0x50
var_48      = -0x48
var_38      = -0x38
var_24      = -0x24
var_20      = -0x20
var_1C      = -0x1C
var_18      = -0x18

PUSH        {R4-R7,LR}
ADD         R7, SP, #0xC
PUSH.W      {R8,R10,R11}
SUB         SP, SP, #0x38
MOV         R4, SP
BIC.W       R4, R4, #7
MOV         SP, R4
LDR         R6, =__MergedGlobals77
MOV         R5, R0
MOV         R4, R2
MOVS        R0, #0
LDRB        R1, [R6,#(byte_805190C1 - 0x805190C0)]
CMP         R1, #0
BNE.W       loc_8050B3E4
LDR         R1, =(AMFIIsCodeDirectoryInTrustCache(uchar const*)+1)
MOV         R0, R4
BLX         R1 ; AMFIIsCodeDirectoryInTrustCache(uchar const*)
MOVS        R1, #0
CMP         R0, #0
MOV         R0, R1
BNE.W       loc_8050B3E4
LDR         R1, =(_codeDirectoryHashIsInLoadedTrustCache(uchar *)+1)
MOV         R0, R4
BLX         R1 ; _codeDirectoryHashIsInLoadedTrustCache(uchar *)
MOVS        R1, #0
CMP         R0, #0
```


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iOS Kernel Module

- Implement iOS kernel module
 - Coding problem
 - Most basic code - IOLog
 - Define a lot of stuff yourself - `sysent[]`, ...
 - Reference XNU source - some definitions maybe different
 - Link the mach-o file yourself
 - Need `kernel_cache` file of target device
 - Analyze it to get symbol address for your kernel module

iOS Kernel Module

- Inject kernel module
 - Introduce data & white by comex
 - <https://github.com/comex>
 - Runtime load/unload iOS kernel module

iOS Kernel Module

- Inject kernel module
 - We must have access to kernel memory
 - `/dev/(k)mem` have been removed
 - `task_for_pid()` could be used to manipulating kernel memory in OSX
 - See nemo uninformed paper

iOS Kernel Module

- Inject kernel module
- `task_for_pid()` trick are not working on iOS since it checks caller pid

```
#if defined(SECURE_KERNEL)
    if (0 == pid) {
        (void ) copyout((char *)&tl, task_addr, sizeof(mach_port_name_t));
        AUDIT_MACH_SYSCALL_EXIT(KERN_FAILURE);
        return(KERN_FAILURE);
    }
#endif
```

- Kernel `mach_port_t` port are closed if `pid = 0!`

iOS Kernel Module

- Inject kernel module
 - Have to patch kernel memory to re-enable `task_for_pid` function.
 - Calling patched `task_for_pid()` with `pid=0` to get `kernel_task` port
 - Calling `vm_write` / `vm_read` / `vm_allocate` to manipulate iOS kernel memory

iOS Kernel Module

- Unloading kernel module
 - Make syscall handler points to module's destructor function (if defined)
 - Trigger it by same way
 - Remove it from kernel section list
 - Deallocate kernel memory

iOS Kernel Module

- Inject kernel module
 - Condition to run the loader
 - We need to patch kernel to disable code signing / sandboxing

iOS Kernel Module

- Kernel patch details
 - `cs_enforcement_disable` to be true
 - Force `AMFIIsCodeDirectoryInTrustCache()` return true
 - path `vm_map_enter(protect)` allow create RWX pages
 - hook/patch `sb_evaluate` to replace sandbox profile

Debug iOS Kernel

- Kernel Debugging is hard
- KDP via UART
 - SerialKDPProxy to perform proxy between serial and UDP
- Need serial communicate between USB and Dock connector
 - Make a cable by your own
- Using redsn0w to set special boot-args
 - -a “-v debug=0x09”
- Seeing “Targeting iOS kernel” for more details

Debug iOS Kernel

- Patching `_debug_enabled` to be true
 - Allow non-ldid'd binaries
 - Also it will be used in some KDP feature

```
EXPORT _PE_i_can_has_debugger
_PE_i_can_has_debugger                ; CODE XREF: _kdp_register_send_receive+42↑p
                                      ; _DebuggerWithContext+16↑p ...
    CBZ                                R0, loc_802DC406
    LDR                                R1, =_debug_enabled
    LDR                                R1, [R1]
    CMP                                R1, #0
    ITEEQ                               R1, #0
    MOVEQ                              R1, #0
    LDRNE                              R1, =_debug_boot_arg
    LDRNE                              R1, [R1]
    STR                                R1, [R0]

loc_802DC406                          ; CODE XREF: _PE_i_can_has_debugger↑j
    LDR                                R0, =_debug_enabled
    LDR                                R0, [R0]
    BX                                LR
; End of function _PE_i_can_has_debugger
```


Rootkit Function

- Implement function in kernel level
 - Advantage
 - No user process
 - Highest privilege, fully access to hardware
 - No plist file in LaunchDaemon ^^
 - Disadvantage
 - Cost you huge time to reverse and debug iOS kernel
 - Lack of Symbols

Rootkit Function

- Try out what we could do in kernel level
 - I. Location information ?
 - II. Key logger ?
 - III. Audio sniffer ?
- In this topic we will introduce I. and part of II.
(since research of II. is not totally finished)

Location Information

- How iOS get your location
 - Combine 3 methods to determine your location
 - Wi-Fi - fast, need database, also need Wi-Fi nearby
 - GPS - slow, may cost long time to find satellites
 - Cellular - fast, need database
 - This works at most time
 - Our goal - get this info in our rootkit

Location Information

- For Apps to get location info
 - CoreLocation.framework
 - Set delegate to get latitude & longitude

```
// Delegate method from the CLLocationManagerDelegate protocol.
- (void)locationManager:(CLLocationManager *)manager
didUpdateToLocation:(CLLocation *)newLocation
fromLocation:(CLLocation *)oldLocation
{
    // If it's a relatively recent event, turn off updates to save power
    NSDate* eventDate = newLocation.timestamp;
    NSTimeInterval howRecent = [eventDate timeIntervalSinceNow];
    if (abs(howRecent) < 15.0)
    {
        NSLog(@"latitude %+.6f, longitude %+.6f\n",
              newLocation.coordinate.latitude,
              newLocation.coordinate.longitude);
    }
    // else skip the event and process the next one.
}
```


Location Information

- How CoreLocation works
 - Send / Receive event from com.apple.locationd service
 - /usr/libexec/locationd
 - Location service for iOS
 - Combine all three methods to determine location
 - Important directory - /var/root/Library/Caches/locationd
 - Some sqlite databases located in it
 - cache.db - download from apple which contains location datas of cell tower and wifi

Location Information

- How locationd determines location via cellular
 - Get all visible cell towers information
 - Search the locations of those towers in cache.db
 - Perform some algorithm according to signal strength

```
sqlite> .tables
CdmaCellLocation          CellLocationBoxes_rowid
CdmaCellLocationBoxes    CellLocationCounts
CdmaCellLocationBoxes_node CellLocationHarvest
CdmaCellLocationBoxes_parent CellLocationHarvestCounts
CdmaCellLocationBoxes_rowid CellLocationLocal
CdmaCellLocationCounts   CellLocationLocalBoxes
CdmaCellLocationHarvest  CellLocationLocalBoxes_node
CdmaCellLocationHarvestCounts CellLocationLocalBoxes_parent
CdmaCellLocationLocal    CellLocationLocalBoxes_rowid
CdmaCellLocationLocalBoxes CellLocationLocalCounts
CdmaCellLocationLocalBoxes_node LocationHarvest
CdmaCellLocationLocalBoxes_parent LocationHarvestCounts
CdmaCellLocationLocalBoxes_rowid TableInfo
CdmaCellLocationLocalCounts WifiLocation
CellLocation             WifiLocationCounts
CellLocationBoxes        WifiLocationHarvest
CellLocationBoxes_node   WifiLocationHarvestCounts
CellLocationBoxes_parent
```


Location Information

- How to get cell info
 - locationd call CoreTelephony to retrieve cell information
 - Easy to implement in user level
 - Get MCC/MNC/LAC/CI value

Location Information

- Code Sample

```
CTServerConnectionRef conn = _CTServerConnectionCreate(kCFAllocatorDefault,
                                                         nouse_callback,
                                                         NULL);

int port = _CTServerConnectionGetPort(conn);
CFMachPortRef mach_port = CFMachPortCreateWithPort(kCFAllocatorDefault,
                                                    port,
                                                    NULL,
                                                    NULL,
                                                    NULL);

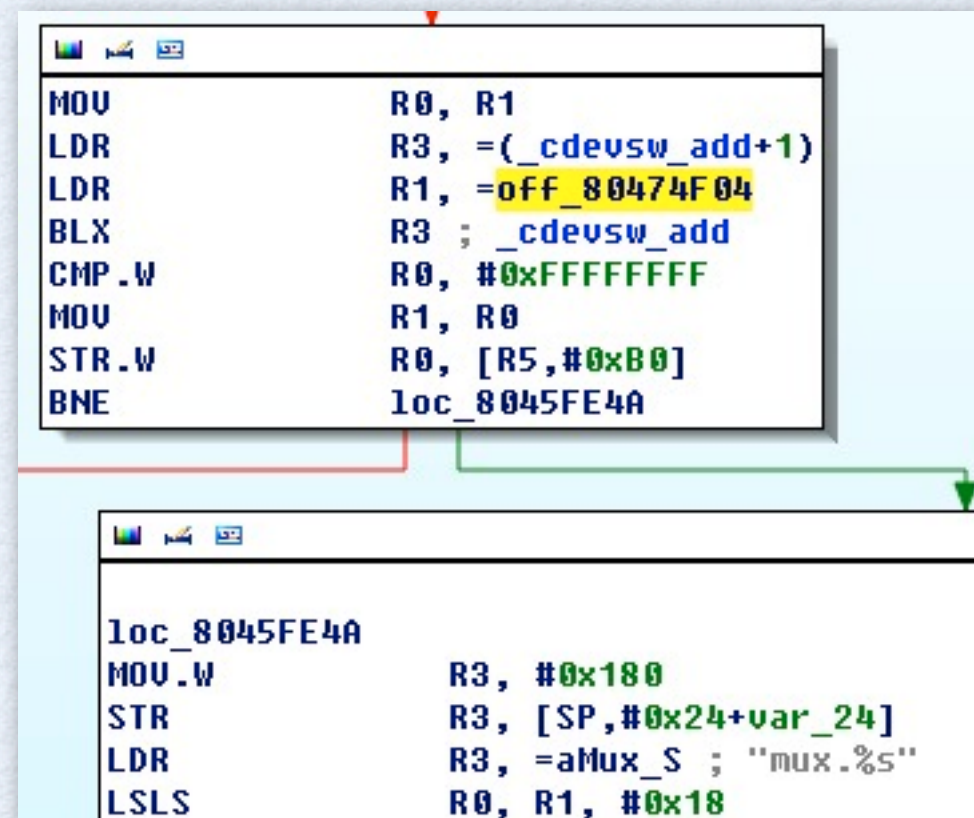
_CTServerConnectionCellMonitorStart(mach_port, conn);
int count = 0;
_CTServerConnectionCellMonitorGetCellCount(mach_port, conn, &count);
for (int i = 0; i < count; i++)
{
    CellInfo cellinfo;
    int nouse_index;
    _CTServerConnectionCellMonitorGetCellInfo(mach_port, conn, i, &nouse_index, &cellinfo);
    printf("[%d] MCC: %d MNC: %d LAC: %d CI: %d Level: %d\n",
           i, cellinfo.cellMCC, cellinfo.cellMNC, cellinfo.cellLAC,
           cellinfo.cellId, cellinfo.cellLevel);
}
```


Location Information

- Go deeper
 - `_CT*` functions <-- ipc msg --> `com.apple.commcenter`
 - `CommCenter` is responsible for communicating with baseband
 - Depend on `libATCommandStudioDynamic.dylib`
 - `ATCSFileDescriptorIPCDriverPrivate::readWorkerMainLoop`
 - File handle is opened by `ASMInterfacePrivate::open`
 - name: `/dev/mux.spi-baseband`

Location Information

- Finally, go inside kernel
 - Need to locate read handler of “/dev/mux.spi-baseband”
 - Try to find struct cdevsw
 - Not so hard with key strings like “mux.” and references of cdevsw_add



Location Information

- Steps to get cell info in kernel
 - Search in global cdevsw(exported) array to find device for mux.spi-baseband
 - Overwrite d_read function handler with our own handler
 - Sniffer all stream data
 - copyin() result data from struct uio
 - Care about data begin with "CELLINFO" and end with "\r\n"
 - Example - "CELLINFO: 2,472, 0,8028,08ee,056"
 - 472 - MCC / 0x8028 - LAC / 0x08ee - CI

Location Information

- After getting cell tower info
 - Searching the latitude and longitude in cache.db by MCC/LAC/CI value
 - We could only get cell tower location around the iPhone
 - Disadvantage of implement this in kernel :(

Key Logger

- iPhone use multitouch screen
- The input method framework translate user touch event to key strike
- Idea to implement kernel level key logger
 - Get user touch event in kernel
 - Position and state
 - Get screen snapshot in kernel
- This topic only include touch event discussion

Touch Event

- Apps could handle touch type UIEvents
 - UIEventTypeTouches
 - down -> moved -> up
- Low level - IOHIDEvent
 - Defines all HID (human interface device) event
 - Keyboard / Button / Compass / Accelerometer / Digitizer (for touch) / ...

Touch Event

- Sniffer IOHIDEvent in user level
 - Call IOHIDEventSystemOpen to open event system and set handle function
 - Be able to sniff all HID events

```
void handle_event (void* target, void* refcon, IOHIDServiceRef service, IOHIDEventRef event)
{
    // handle the events here.
    if (IOHIDEventGetType(event) == kIOHIDEventTypeDigitizer)
    {
        printf("pos:%f-%f mask: %x type: %x event: %p\n",
            IOHIDEventGetFloatValue(event, kIOHIDEventFieldDigitizerX),
            IOHIDEventGetFloatValue(event, kIOHIDEventFieldDigitizerY),
            IOHIDEventGetIntegerValue(event, kIOHIDEventFieldDigitizerEventMask),
            IOHIDEventGetIntegerValue(event, kIOHIDEventFieldDigitizerType),
            event);
    }
}
```


IOHID System

- IOHID System
 - IOHIDFamily.kext
 - Provides an abstract interface of human interface device
 - Device driver call dispatch event to enqueue an IOHIDEvent
 - User-land app access the queue (IODataQueue) to get event
 - Open source for OS X version
 - <http://opensource.apple.com/source/IOHIDFamily/>

IOHID System

- Look inside kernel
 - HID driver should inherit from IOHIDEventService
- Some examples
 - `com.apple.driver.AppleM68Buttons`
 - Device handle button interrupt - volume up/down, home
 - `com.apple.driver.AppleEmbeddedCompass`
 - Device handle compass interrupt

IOHID Event Hook

- Hook all kernel IOHIDEvent
 - Need to locate functions
 - IOHIDEventService::dispatchEvent or
IOHIDEventServiceQueue::enqueueEvent
 - R1 is pointer of IOHIDEvent
 - `struct IOHIDEventData *pdata=*(void**)((uint8_t*)r1+8);`
 - The definition of IOHIDEventData could be found in IOHIDFamily open source
 - Be able to get compass/button/... events

IOHID Event Hook

- Tips for finding IOHID functions by comparing with OS X version source
 - kernel_debug - debug ID

```
kIOHIDDebugCode_DispatchTabletPointer, // 16 0x5230040
kIOHIDDebugCode_DispatchTabletProx,
kIOHIDDebugCode_DispatchHIDEvent,
kIOHIDDebugCode_CalculatedCapsDelay,
kIOHIDDebugCode_ExtPostEvent, // 20 0x5230050
```

```
MOVS      R2, #0
LDR       R0, =0x5230048
MOV       R1, R8
MOV       R3, R2
LDR.W     R12, =(_kernel_debug+1)
STR       R2, [SP, #0x1C+var_1C]
STR       R2, [SP, #0x1C+var_18]
BLX      R12 ; _kernel_debug
```


Touch Event

- After testing
 - Weird that no touch event is enqueued
 - iPhone multitouch device driver
 - `com.apple.driver.AppleMultitouchSPI`
 - Not inherit from `IOHIDEventService`
 - Guess it has its own data queue

Touch Event

- Reverse work - log is a good habit ^^
- From kernel view
 - Handle interrupt occurred (touched) -> read frame data from device -> enqueue the frame data into its own IODataQueue
- From user-land view
 - Register notification port and map the IODataQueue into user space -> wait for notify and IODataQueueDequeue to get the frame data -> convert raw frame data to IOHIDEvent

Touch Event

- Snapshots from IDA

```
LDR      R3, =aReadingResultD ; "Reading result data (PI0)"
MOV      R0, R4
STR      R3, [SP,#0x28+var_28]
MOVS     R3, #3
BLX      R5 ; AppleMultitouchSPI__Log
```

```
LDR      R3, =aAttemptingTo_0 ; "attempting to read a frame"
MOV      R0, R4
MOVS     R1, #1
MOVS     R2, #0
STR      R3, [SP,#0x3C+var_3C]
LDR.W    R12, =(AppleMultitouchSPI__Log+1)
MOVS     R3, #3
BLX      R12 ; AppleMultitouchSPI__Log
```

```
                                ; DATA XREF: com.apple.driver.AppleMultitouchSPI
PUSH     {R4,R5,R7,LR}
ADD      R7, SP, #8
MOVS     R3, #0
STRB     R3, [R0,#0x10]
LDR      R3, =__ZTV11IODataQueue ; `vtable for' IODataQueue
MOV      R4, R0
LDR      R3, [R3,#(off_802705C0 - 0x80270560)]
BLX      R3 ; IODataQueue::enqueue
```


Touch Event

- More user-land stuff
 - MultitouchSupport.framework
 - Responsible for getting raw frame data from kernel driver
 - AppleMultitouchSPI.kext / PlugIns / MultitouchHID.plugin / MultitouchHID
 - HID Manager to convert raw frame data to touch IOHIDEvent and deliver it

Touch Event

- Call Stack

```
(gdb) bt
#0  0x326ee6ca in IOHIDEventCreateDigitizerEvent ()
#1  0x000746d6 in MTParser::createHIDCollectionEventsForHand ()
#2  0x000747ea in MTParser::handleContactFrame ()
#3  0x000740a0 in MTSimpleEmbeddedHIDManager::handleContactFrame ()
#4  0x00073982 in MTSimpleHIDManager::handleContactFrameEntry ()
#5  0x00072c34 in MTSimpleHIDManager::forwardContactFrame ()
#6  0x34de50ec in mt_ForwardBinaryContacts ()
#7  0x34de6a40 in mt_ProcessPathFrame ()
#8  0x34de2212 in mt_HandleMultitouchFrame ()
#9  0x34de17bc in mt_DequeueMultitouchDataMachPortCallBack ()
#10 0x31882bde in __CFMachPortPerform ()
#11 0x3188da96 in __CFRunLoop_IS_CALLING_OUT_TO_A_SOURCE1_PERFORM_FUNCTION__ ()
#12 0x3188f83e in __CFRunLoopDoSource1 ()
#13 0x3189060c in __CFRunLoopRun ()
#14 0x31820ec2 in CFRunLoopRunSpecific ()
#15 0x318636d8 in CFRunLoopRun ()
#16 0x326f19a8 in __IOHIDSessionStartOnThread ()
#17 0x3659c310 in _pthread_start ()
#18 0x3659dbbc in thread_start ()
```


Touch Event

- So in kernel level we could only get raw frame data of touch device
- It's not hard to get those data by performing inline hook of "readOneFrameData" function
- Raw frame data example

```
(gdb) x/52bx 0xbf5200
0xbf5200:    0x44    0x12    0x18    0x02    0xf1    0x8d    0x78    0x00
0xbf5208:    0x00    0x17    0x07    0x97    0x04    0x00    0x00    0x00
0xbf5210:    0x01    0x1c    0xad    0xff    0x10    0x00    0x00    0x00
0xbf5218:    0x08    0x04    0x02    0x01    0xfb    0x10    0x52    0x07
0xbf5220:    0x0a    0x00    0xba    0xff    0xc8    0x03    0xe1    0x02
0xbf5228:    0x19    0x46    0xe2    0x00    0xda    0x00    0x00    0x00
0xbf5230:    0x00    0x00    0x00    0x00
```


Touch Event

- Find raw frame data struct definition

- <https://github.com/planetbeing/iphonelixx/blob/master/openiboot/includes/multitouch.h>

- Be able to get touch information

```
typedef struct MTFrameHeader
{
    uint8_t type;
    uint8_t frameNum;
    uint8_t headerLen;
    uint8_t unk_3;
    uint32_t timestamp;
    uint8_t unk_8;
    uint8_t unk_9;
    uint8_t unk_A;
    uint8_t unk_B;
    uint16_t unk_C;
    uint16_t isImage;

    uint8_t numFingers;
    uint8_t fingerDataLen;
    uint16_t unk_12;
    uint16_t unk_14;
    uint16_t unk_16;
} MTFrameHeader;
```

```
typedef struct FingerData
{
    uint8_t id;
    uint8_t event;
    uint8_t unk_2;
    uint8_t unk_3;
    int16_t x;
    int16_t y;
    int16_t velX;
    int16_t velY;
    uint16_t radius2;
    uint16_t radius3;
    uint16_t angle;
    uint16_t radius1;
    uint16_t contactDensity;
    uint16_t unk_16;
    uint16_t unk_18;
    uint16_t unk_1A;
} FingerData;
```


Key Logger

- Get position on screen when finger up
 - `FingerData *finger = (FingerData *)(((uint8_t*)header + header->headerlen);`
 - When `finger->velx == 0 && finger->vely == 0`
 - Position `x = finger->x / sensorWidth`
 - Position `y = finger->y / sensorHeight`
- Sensor for iPhone 4
 - Sensor surface height -> 7500
 - Sensor surface width -> 5000

Key Logger

- Now we could get position of screen when user finger left
- If we could get the image of screen, we are able to get key strike info
 - Still lot of work to do to implement a workable kernel level key logger

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Attack via Saffron

- User-land Exploit - CVE-2011-0226
 - Integer signedness error in psaux/t1decode.c in FreeType before 2.4.6
 - Attackers are able to execute arbitrary code via a crafted Type 1 font in a PDF document
 - Bug exists in CoreGraphics.framework/libCGFreetype.dylib

Attack via Saffron

- CVE-2011-0226 Detail
 - t1_decoder_parse_charstrings function
 - When decode op_callothersubr
 - arg_cnt is declared as FT_Int and is read from “top”
 - When arg_cnt is a minus number
 - Bypass the check
 - Increase “top” to stack address outside of its bounds - enable attacker to read/write stack

Attack via Saffron

- Bug Code Snapshot

```
subr_no = (FT_Int)( top[1] >> 16 );
arg_cnt = (FT_Int)( top[0] >> 16 );

/*****
/*
/* remove all operands to callothersubr from the stack
/*
/* for handled othersubrs, where we know the number of
/* arguments, we increase the stack by the value of
/* known_othersubr_result_cnt
/*
/* for unhandled othersubrs the following pops adjust the
/* stack pointer as necessary
*/

if ( arg_cnt > top - decoder->stack )
    goto Stack_Underflow;

top -= arg_cnt;
```


Attack via Saffron

- Analyze JBM3 Sample PDF
 - Extract the font file
 - The sample contains only one stream
- Type 1 Font Format - Chapter 6 CharStrings Dictionary
 - Explain charstring command
 - `callothersubr / pop / return`
 - ROP code is built by charstring opcode at runtime
 - T1_DecoderRec structure is used to decode charstring

Attack via Saffron

- T1_DecoderRec structure
 - This structure is stored in stack
 - Definition could be found at psaux.h
 - decoder->stack
 - Used to store operand or result of charstring command
 - decoder->buildchar
 - Defined by /BuildCharArray command in font file

Attack via Saffron

- How JBM3 Construct ROP Payload
 - Use charstring command to write data to decoder->buildchar
 - `<val> <idx> 2 24 callothersubr`
 - `decoder->buildchar[idx] = top[0];`
 - `op_callsubr`
 - Contains several subroutines

Attack via Saffron

- How JBM3 Bypass ASLR
 - This bug allow attacker to read / write stack
 - Remember decoder is stored in stack
 - decoder->parse_callback points to T1_Parse_Glyph function address
 - Get this callback function address -> get shift offset of libCGFreetype module

Attack via Saffron

- Bypass ASLR Detail
 - Make `arg_cnt = (0xfea50000 >> 16)`
 - `top = top + 0x15b`
 - `op_setcurrentpoint`
 - `y = top[1]; // y = T1_Parse_Glyph address`
 - Load `top[0] = original T1_Parse_Glyph address (with no ASLR shift)`
 - `<arg1> <arg2> 2 21 callothersubr pop`
 - `top[0] -= top[1]; // get shift offset`

Attack via Saffron

- Finally Exploit It
 - After finish constructing ROP payload
 - Overwrite decoder->parse_callback
 - op_seac
 - t1_decoder_parse_glyph
 - decoder->parse_callback
 - ROP start

Attack via Saffron

- JBM3 ROP Payload
 - Then drop file and execute it
 - `buffer = malloc(0x8670)`
 - `uncompress(buffer, &size, subroutine 0 data, 0x2d49)`
 - A zlib compressed mach-o binary
 - `open("/tmp/locutus")`
 - `write(file, buffer, 0x8670)`
 - `close`
 - `posix_spawn` - execute locutus

Attack via Saffron

- IOMobileFrameBuffer Kernel exploit
 - IOMobileFrameBuffer kext can be invoked by MobileSafari via IOMobileFramebufferUserClient
 - IOConnectCallScalarMethod
 - HotPluginNotify 0x15
 - IOConnectCallStructMethod
 - SwapEnd 0x05

Attack via Saffron

- IOMobileFramebufferUserClient Kernel exploit
 - Result the transaction pointer inside of IOMobileFramebuffer::swap_submit changed
 - Kernel ROP!
 - install syscall 0 which change the calling process creds to r00t!
 - /tmp/locutus

Attack via Saffron

- Modify JBM3
 - JBM3 is also dangerous, attackers may modify it to spread iOS malware
 - Replace locutus seems to be a good choice
 - Locutus size is fixed
 - 0x2d49 (compressed size)
 - We can only replace it with a smaller binary

Attack via Saffron

- Replace Locutus
 - Locutus binary is located in subroutine 0 of the font file
 - Extract font file -> replace subroutine 0 data -> compress again (make sure the size is the same) -> replace font stream in PDF
 - We also need to modify one value - 0x2d49
 - This value is used when calling uncompress
 - Search “ff 10 00 2d 49”
 - replace with new mach-o file compressed size
 - In new locutus
 - syscall(0) is a backdoor to get root privilege

Attack via Saffron

- Put everything together
 - Replace locutus to our rootkit injector
 - Rootkit injector calling syscall(0) to get root
 - Invoke white_loader function to load our rootkit module into kernel memory

Attack via Saffron

- Demo

iOS 4.3.4(5)

- Fixed JBM 3.0 vulns
- Fixed ft_var_readpacketpoints() BOF
 - another FreeType issue which fixed last year
- Fixed ndrv_setspec() untether kernel vulns
- Fixed the Incomplete codesign exploit technique

Deploy for iOS 5

- You can also deploy rootkit via limra1n vulns on iOS 5 for A4 device
- Need physical access to the iOS device
- Exploiting low-level bootrom vulns to patch signature checks
- Sending pwned iBSS/iBEC and waiting device enter to recovery mode
- Sending pwned kernel (with rootkit)

Outline

- iOS Security Overview
- iOS Rootkit
- Attack via Saffron
- Work Todo

Work Todo

- Finish rootkit key logger function
- Research on audio stream sniffer in kernel
- Target iPhone 4S & iOS 5
- Kernel vulnerability is also attractive

Thank you Steve for bringing us iPhone

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