



Hacking your Droid

ANDROID MALWARES

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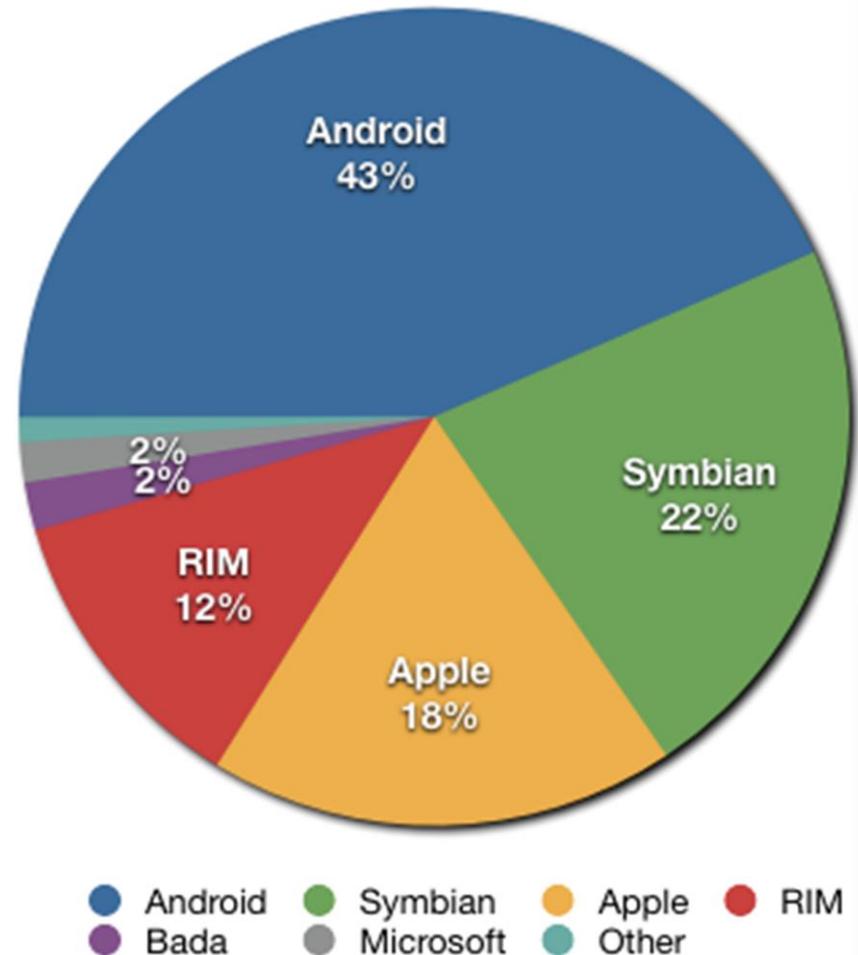
Agenda

- Android OS Basics
- Inside the APK
- Android Security Model
- Reversing the codes
- Some case studies
- Making our own malware
- Malware = Money
- Mobile App Pentesting



What is Android

- Software Stack including OS, middleware and applications
- Developed by Google and OHA(Open Handset Alliance)
- Largest Market Share, more than Symbian and IOS.





Why Android

- Everywhere! (TV, phones, tablets)
- Easy to exploit + Open Source
- Runs on Linux 2.6.x kernel
- Uses SQLite database
- Huge community base
- Official market containing over 4,00,000 apps





ANDROID ARCHITECTURE

APPLICATIONS

Home

Contacts

Phone

Browser

...

APPLICATION FRAMEWORK

Activity Manager

Window Manager

Content Providers

View System

Package Manager

Telephony Manager

Resource Manager

Location Manager

Notification Manager

LIBRARIES

Surface Manager

Media Framework

SQLite

OpenGL | ES

FreeType

WebKit

SGL

SSL

libc

ANDROID RUNTIME

Core Libraries

Dalvik Virtual Machine

LINUX KERNEL

Display Driver

Camera Driver

Flash Memory Driver

Binder (IPC) Driver

Keypad Driver

WiFi Driver

Audio Drivers

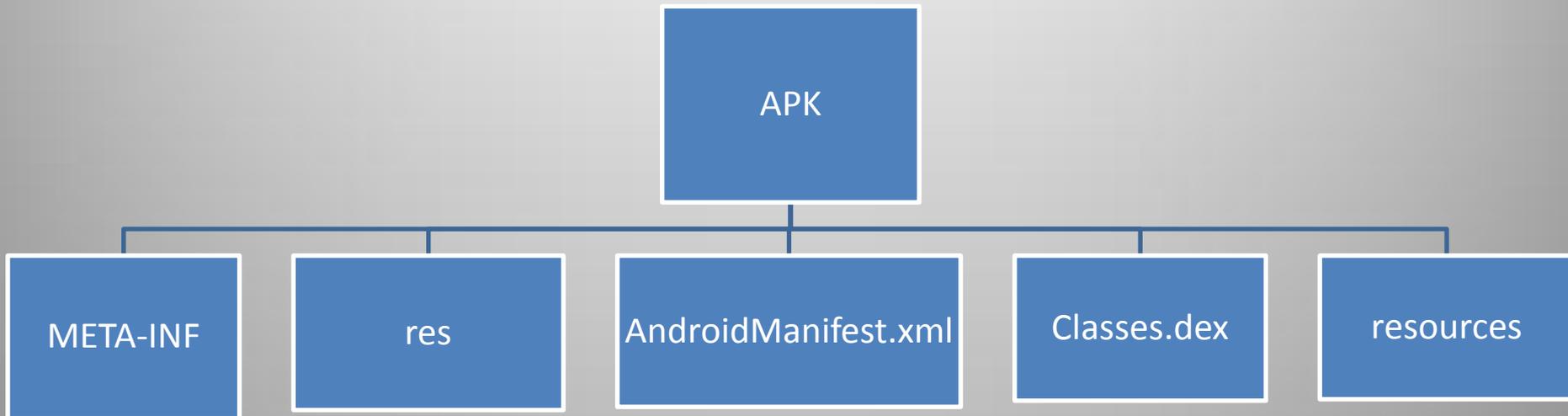
Power Management

Android Applications



- .apk (Android Package) format
- Nothing more than a zip file.
- Written exclusively in Java, with native libraries in C/C++.
- Composed of components such as Activities, Services, Broadcast Recievers, etc.

Android Applications





ACTIVITY

- Screen to let users interact
- Consists of views (Buttons, TextView, ImageView, Table view, List view etc)
- “main” activity presented on start
- Lifecycle is “LIFO”



SERVICE



- Performs the work in the background
- Doesn't comes with a UI
- Can be either stated or bound(or both)
- Example – playing music in the bg, network activities, file i/o operations etc.

Other Components



- **Broadcast Receiver**

receives and responds to broadcast announcements
Incoming SMS , Screen Off etc.

- **Intents**

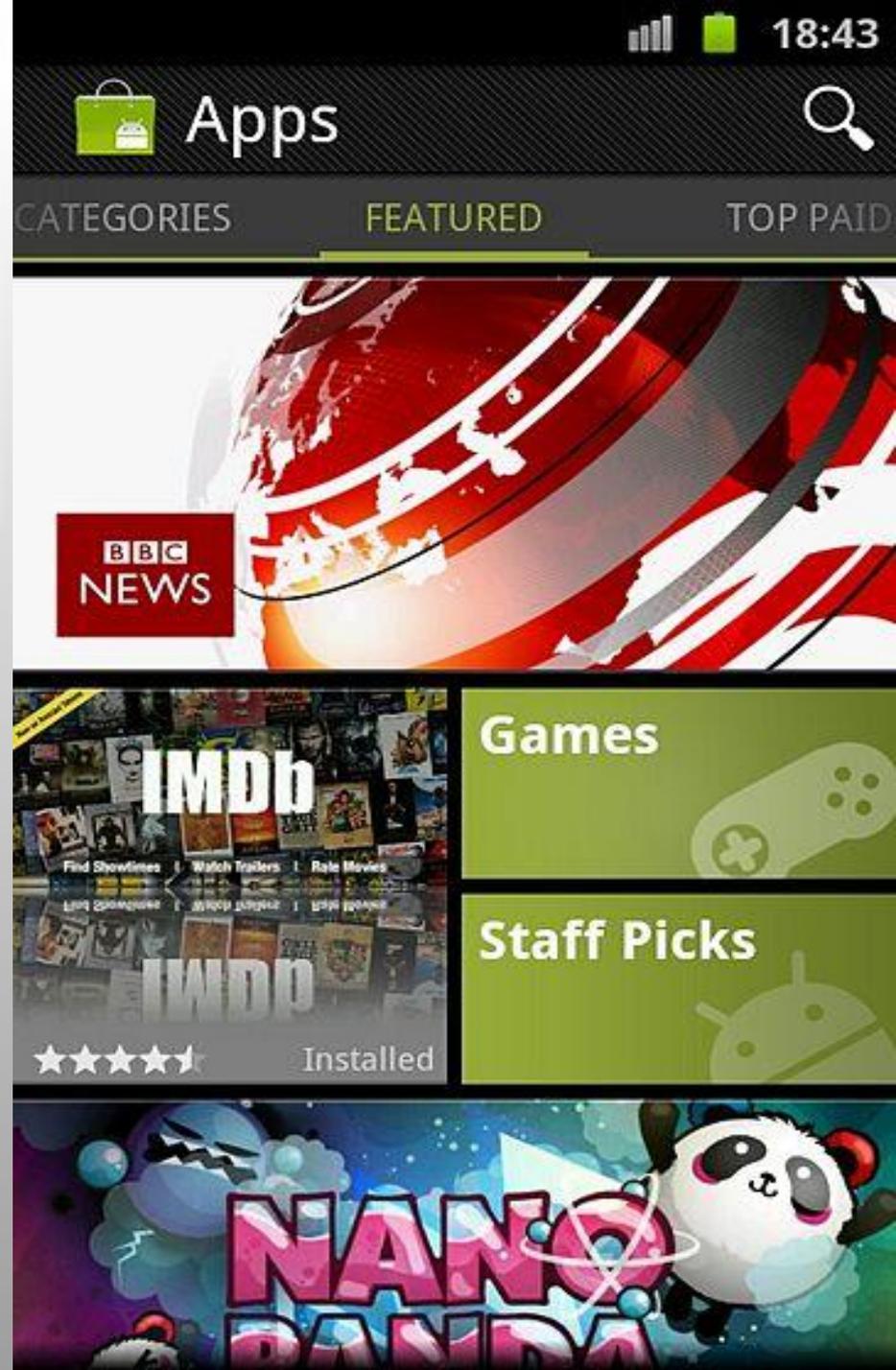
Binds individual components at runtime

- **Content Providers**

Stores and retrieves the application data
Data stored in an SQLite database



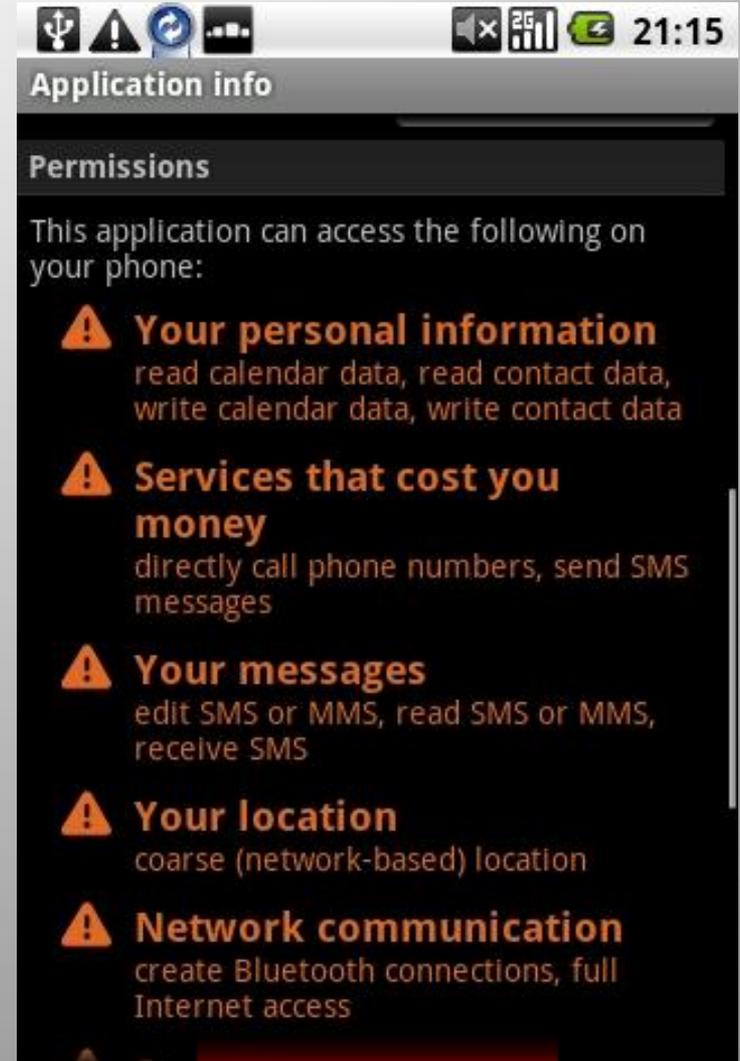
- Preinstalled on all Android devices
- Contains over 4.5 billion apps
- Anyone can publish his/her app





Permissions.. WTF?

- Declared in **AndroidManifest.xml**
- XML file containing all the components and permissions
- Can only use the declared permissions





Permissions.. WTF?

- ACCESS_COARSE_LOCATION
- ACCESS_FINE_LOCATION
- BRICK
- CALL_PHONE
- INTERNET
- GET_ACCOUNTS
- PROCESS_OUTGOING_CALLS
- READ_OWNER_DATA
- READ_SMS
- RECEIVE_SMS
- SEND_SMS
- USE_CREDENTIALS
- WRITE_OWNER_DATA
- RECORD_AUDIO

Android Security Model



- Each application is run within a **Dalvik Virtual Machine**
- With **unique UID:GID**
- By default no permission is granted
- Permissions required by an application have to be approved by the user.
- Apk files must be signed with a **certificate**.

Android Security Model



Application 1

UID : 1000

Dalvik VM

Application 2

UID : 1001

Dalvik VM

Application 3

UID : 1003

Dalvik VM

Application 4

UID : 1004

Dalvik VM

Application 5

UID : 1005

Dalvik VM

SYSTEM PROCESS (UID : SYSTEM)

LINUX KERNEL



DALVIK VIRTUAL MACHINE(DVM)

Created by Dan Bornstein



DVM vs JVM

Virtual System to run the android apps

Register based instead of stack based

Runs the **dex**(Dalvik Executable) files



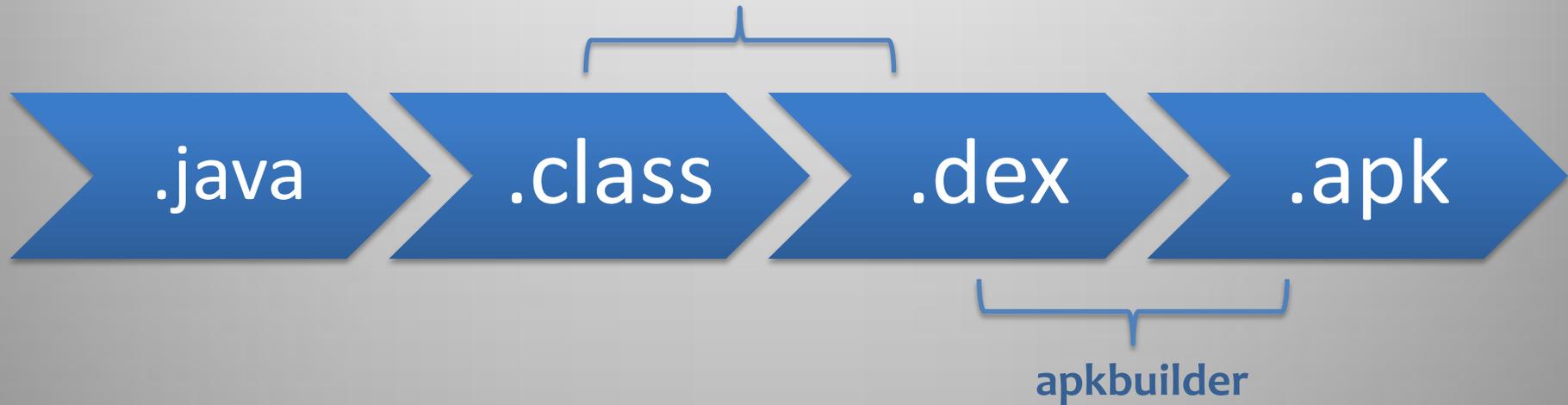
REVERSE ENGINEERING

BREAKING THE CODES

Making of the APK



Using dx(dexer) of Android SDK



REVERSING THE APK



.java

.class

.dex

.apk

REVERSING THE APK



Tools of the trade

Dedexer

Baksmali

Undx

JD-GUI

Dex2JAR

DexDump

APKTool



GETTING OUR HANDS DIRTY

DEMO TIME



ANDROID MALWARES

Special thanks to **Mila** for his awesome website

<http://contagiodump.blogspot.com>

Memories of the Past

Some famous Android Malwares

- Trojan-SMS.AndroidOS.FakePlayer.a
- Geinimi
- Snake
- DreamDroid
- GGTracker





Trojan-SMS.FakePlayer.a

- Simplest malware till date.
- Sends SMS to a premium rated number
- \$6-10/sms
- Mainly distributed through porn/media apps
- Stop watching porn? :O



```
invoke-virtual/range {v4 .. v9}, Landroid/telephony/SmsManager; -> sendTextMessage(Ljava/lang/String;Ljava/lang/String;Ljava/lang/String;  
const-string v6, "05212011"
```

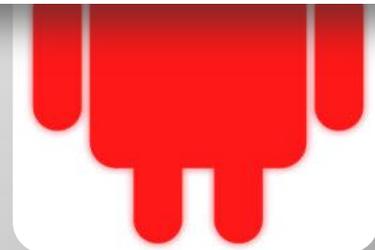
Geinimi Android malware has 'botnet-like' capabilities

Android Trojan dubbed 'Geinimi' found in legitimate applications

December 30, 2010 by John Messina [report](#)

DECEMBER 29, 2010

Security Alert: Geinimi, Sophisticated New Android Trojan Found in Wild



GEINIMI : THE HOTTEST MALWARE

SOPHOS

Troj/Geinimi-A

Category: Viruses and Spyware

Type: Trojan

Label: Trojan

File name:	com.swampy.sexpos.apk-GEINIMI-INFECTED.apk
Submission date:	2011-03-03 15:57:18 (UTC)
Current status:	finished
Result:	18 /43 (41.9%)

```

Android/Geinimi
-
Trojan:Android/Geinimi.A
Android/Geinimi.A!tr
Android.Trojan.Geinimi2.C
Trojan.Android
-
-
Trojan-Spy.AndroidOS.Geinimi.e
-
TrojanSpy:AndroidOS/Geimini.A
Android/Spy.Geinimi.A

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IT Security Blog of the Year
naked security

Geinimi Android Trojan horse discovered

GEINIMI



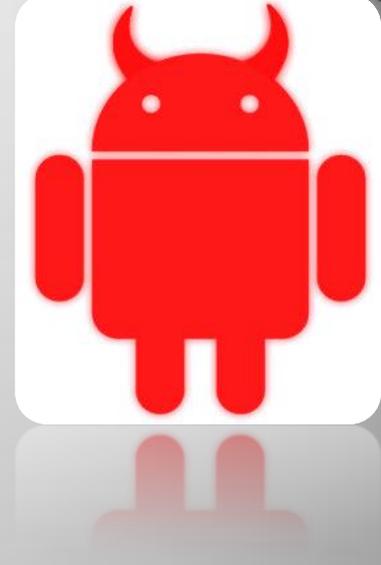
- Most sophisticated malware till date.
- Botnet like capabilities
- Multiple variants created on the same device
- Obfuscated code
- Strings decrypted at runtime
- All network data encrypted (DES with a key - 012345678)

GEINIMI



- Three ways of starting (Using service or Broadcast Receivers)
- Makes a connection with C&C server
- Identifies each device with unique IMEI & IMSI
- Can be in 5 states (Start, download, parse, transact, idle)
- Info Stealer
- Infected legitimate apps (Sex Positions, MonkeyJump2 etc.)
(Another reason for not watching porn on mobile!)

GEINIMI(continued)



- **Botnet Command Capabilities :**
 - call – Call a number
 - Email – Send a email
 - Smsrecord – Sends all the sms'es to the server
 - Install – install an app
 - Shell – get a shell
 - Contactlist - get the contact list of the victim
 - Wallpaper – change the wallpaper etc.

DREAMDROID



- Infected legitimate software
- Hosted at “Android Market”
- Came with exploits namely Exploit (CVE-2009-1185) and rageagainstthecage(CVE-2010-EASY)
- Multi Staged Payload
- XOR Encrypted data
- Another malware with Botnet capabilities

Creating our own Android Malware

Agenda

Taking a legitimate app (apk)

Decompile it

Insert our own codes

Repackaging to get a infected APK

PROFIT?

CREATING A MALWARE

Expected Time to be taken < 5 mins

Vulnerable Applications

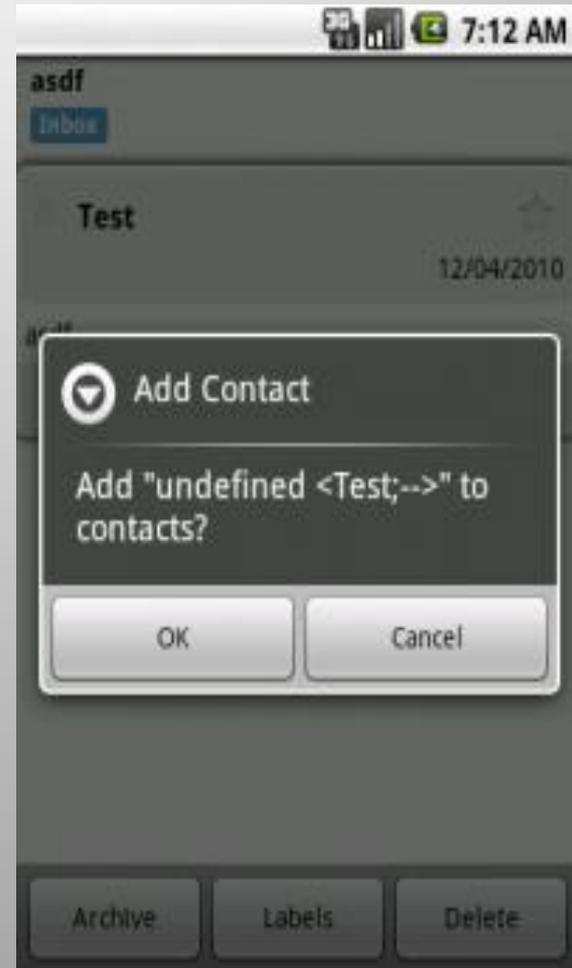
- GMail App(in <Android v2.1 vuln to XSS :O

From field: “
onload=window.location='http://google.com' '@yahoo.com'”

(Found by supernothing of spareclockcycles.org)

- Use this to launch more exploits such as the Data Stealing Bug or Free Webkit Exploit

- Steal Emails & SD Card Files



Stored Passwords

- Browser passwords stored in database called **webview.db**
- Got r00t?

```
#adb pull /data/data/com.android.browser/databases/webview.db  
#sqlite webview.db  
> SELECT * FROM password;
```

Insecure Data Storage

```
# cd /data/data/com.evernote
# ls
cache
databases
shared_prefs
lib
# cd shared_prefs
# ls
com.evernote_preferences.xml
# cat com.evernote_preferences.xml
<?xml version='1.0' encoding='utf-8' standalone='yes' ?>
<map>
<string name="serviceHost"><string
name="username">myusername</string>
<boolean name="ACCOUNT_CHECKED" value="true" />
<string name="password">youcanthackme</string>
<int name="servicePort" value="0" />
<boolean name="NotifyUploadStatus" value="true" />
</map>
#
```

Is that all?

Webkit and platform vulnerabilities

Android 2.0 ,2.1, 2.1.1 WebKit Use-After-Free Exploit

Android 2.0/2.1 Use-After-Free Remote Code Execution on Webkit
Vulnerabilities in Apps, SQLi, XSS, etc.

Use platform vulns to get root & shell

SD card information leakage

XSSF Framework

ROOTSTRAP

Sniffing the network :)

Try MoshZuk & ANTI

Is that all?



[\$]Where is the money?[\$]

[\$\$\$]100% Illegal Ways to get rich! [\$\$\$]

- Mobile App moolah by Jimmy Shah
- Premium Rates SMSes
- Make malwares for sale
- Click Fraud, BlackHat SEO, Traffic generation, PPC Ads
- Steal Accounts/CCs and sell them
- Get personal information and blackmail the owner
- Sign up to many services with your referral id
- Make a bank phishing app

Your phone has been hacked!
Transfer \$1000 to my account
Or else.....
Acc No : xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

[\$\$]Spread Yourself![\$\$]

- Forums
- P2P
- Send SMS'es/chat with your download link from the infected user's phone
- Make a blog of cracked full version of famous android apps!
- Social Network viral scripts
- Android Market
- Amazon App Store

Outlaws vs Angels

The game is over!



- Malware scanners developed for this platform.
- Lookout(one of the best security solutions), AVG, Quick Heal, Kaspersky have come up with their security solutions.
- Can detect **most** of the malwares of this platform.

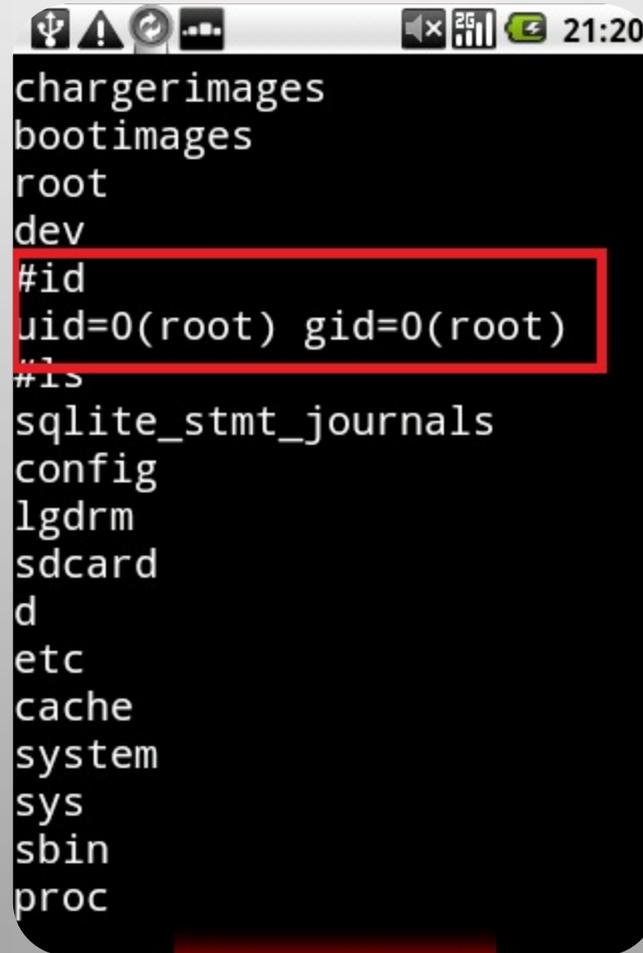


~~The game is over!~~
The game is not over yet!



- Can create a malware not detected by the scanners
- Most of them signature based, so, can easily be bypassed.
- Obfuscating code can bypass most of them.
- Disable the AV
- Encryption for network data.
- Use your own “blackhat” creativity!

MobileApp Pentesting FTW!



```
chargerimages
bootimages
root
dev
#id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root)
#ls
sqlite_stmt_journals
config
lgdrm
sdcard
d
etc
cache
system
sys
sbin
proc
```

bloc
zpu
zλz

MobileApp Pentesting FTW!



- Decompile the apk after pulling it from the phone.

```
adb pull /data/app(or app-private)/hello.apk
unzip hello.apk
dex2jar classes.dex
jdgui classes2jar.jar
```

or convert to smali and then analyse the code

```
adb pull /data/app/hello.apk
unzip hello.apk
java -jar baksmali.jar -o C:\pentest\app classes.dex
```

OR

```
apktool d hello.apk
```

MobileApp Pentesting FTW!

- Start Emulator with Proxy

```
Emulator -avd MYAVD -http-proxy http://127.0.0.1:5001
```

- Install the app in the emulator

```
avd install apptotest.apk
```

- Use Wireshark, Fiddler & Burp Suite to monitor traffic
- Run the app and check logcat
- WhisperMonitor – Android App to monitor outgoing traffic

MobileApp Pentesting FTW!

Check the security mechanism and encryption used in a banking or payment app for network data

Manifest Explorer

Strace for debugging system calls and signals

Check the location where the app stores the login credentials.

THANK YOU!