

iOS Sandbox Escape Vulnerabilities and Exploitations

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Bio:

Team Pangu consists of several senior security researchers and focuses on mobile security research. Team Pangu is known for the multiple releases of jailbreak tools for iOS 7, iOS 8, and iOS 9. Team Pangu actively shares knowledge with the community and presents the latest research at well known security conferences including BlackHat, CanSecWest, SysCan, POC, and Ruxcon.

Brief Description:

In this training we will begin with introducing some basic knowledges about iOS architecture, ARM64 basics and how to setup testing environment. Then we will talk about Mach-O format details and how to analyze dyld_shared_cache file. We also need to write some IDA scripts to help us. After that we go through the objective-C internals to get a better understanding about how to do reverse engineering. The next chapter is very important, we will discuss how Apple designs its IPC mechanisms for iOS. We have to understand how port/mach msg/XPC work. We will cover the heap management in the user space for later exploitation exercise.

Now it's time to take a look at real world vulnerabilities. We will introduce typical bug types as well as some known bugs in history and analyze details of them. Then let's see what mitigations Apple add to stop exploits. In this part, we will talk how to find ROP and JOP gadgets. In the last part of the training, we pick up three different types of bugs to develop fully functional exploits. Through all the exercises, we can see how a real exploit is developed.

Pre-requisite:

1. Obj-C/C language programming ability
2. Familiar with ARM64 reverse engineering
3. Knowledge of typical vulnerabilities and exploits

Outline:

1st Day:

0. Introduction

1. Basic Knowledges

 iOS Architecture

 Sandbox

 Launchd

 Attack Surface

 ARM64 Basics

 Environment Prepare

 Develop

 Debug

2. Mach-O & Caches

 Mach-O Format

 dyld_shared_cache

3. Runtime

 Objective-C

 Reverse Engineering

4. IPC

 Mach Port

 Mach Message

 Bootstrap

 XPC

 NSXPC

 Daemon Analysis

 Exercise

5. Heap Management

 Nano/Tiny/Small/Large

 CF*/NS*/xpc*/OOL Objects

 Exercise

6. Vulnerability

 Bug Types

Known Bugs

7. Exploitation

Mitigations

ROP & JOP

Post Exploitation

2nd Day:

8. Assetsd Logical Bug

Bug Analysis

Exploit Exercise

9. Backboardd Arbitrary Memory Free Bug

Bug Analysis

Exploit Exercise

10. Backboardd Double Free Bug

Bug Analysis

Exploit Exercise

11. XPC OOB Bug

Bug Analysis

Exploit Exercise

12. Q&A