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Main Objective	This course will introduce concepts, tools, and techniques used for Mobile Incident Handling. The students will familiarise themselves with the risks found on Mobile platforms and also ways of identifying and mitigating such risks.	
Targeted Audience	CERT staff involved in the process of incident handling, especially those responsible for detection of new threats related directly to the CERT customers.	
Total duration	6-7 hours	
Time Schedule	Introduction to the training	0.5 hour
	Task 1: Familiarisation with Android, AVD, and ADB	1 hour
	Task 2: Cloning an Application	2 hours
	Task 3: Analysing Cloned Application	1 hour
	Task 4: Analysing Simplelocker	0.5 hour
	Task 5: (Optional): Analysing Other Artifacts	1 hour
Frequency	Once per team member	

1 Introduction

The Smartphone has become an essential tool in all sections of European society, from top government officials to businesses and consumers⁴.

Smartphones are famous for their versatility – in a single day a smartphone may be a contactless wallet⁵, a barcode reader, a satellite navigation system, an email or social network client, a WiFi hotspot, and be used to make a phone call. Given the growing importance of smartphones, it is important to assess the privacy and security risks of these devices.

This training material covers key information security risks and opportunities for smartphone users. It also provides practical advice addressing the risks, as well as recommendations.

We stress that the risks should be balanced against the potential benefits of smartphones. To give just one example however, smartphones are being used as smart-health sensors, allowing heart patients to stay at home safely, while having their heart issues controlled and monitored by medical staff. In this way smartphones increase a patient’s quality of life and, at the same time, save healthcare costs⁶.

1.1 Legal limitations

Apart from technical limitations (see below) there might also be legal regulations impacting the ability to handle incidents, acquire and analyse data. Especially in combination with Bring Your Own Device (BYOD), or the usage of company owned devices for private purposes, these restrictions might impact the ability to handle incidents. As these regulations differ between legislations be sure to adapt with regards to the . For example, in some countries, if the forensic investigation techniques manipulate data on a device at hand, then the forensic data is no longer fit for court. A starting point might be the study - A flair for sharing - encouraging information exchange between CERTs⁷.

1.2 Organisational issues

Usage of mobile devices might not be subject to the same policies and rules as other devices. This applies to privacy but also to organisational policies.

Additionally risks may be dependent on the usage scenarios⁸:

Usage Scenario	Description
Consumer	The phone is an integral part of a person’s daily life – e.g. private phone-calls, social networking, messaging, navigation, gaming, online banking, on-the-go entertainment, location based services, Internet browsing, micro-blogging, email, photography, video recording, e-health, etc.
Employee	The smartphone is used by an employee in a business or government organization. It is used for business phone calls, Internet browsing, corporate

⁴ Computerwoche. Die Kanzlerin bekommt ihr Merkel-Phone.

<http://www.computerwoche.de/netzwerke/mobile-wireless/1910789/>

⁵ PCMAG.COM. Google’s Schmidt Shows Off 'Gingerbread' NFC Phone.

<http://www.pcmag.com/article2/0,2817,2372746,00.asp>

⁶ The Tech Journal. Monitor your Body On Your Android Cellphones.

<http://thetechjournal.com/tech-news/monitor-your-body-on-your-android-cellphones.xhtml>

⁷ A flair for sharing - encouraging information exchange between CERTs.

<http://www.enisa.europa.eu/activities/cert/support/legal-information-sharing>

⁸Smartphones: Information security risks, opportunities and recommendations for users.

<https://www.enisa.europa.eu/activities/identity-and-trust/risks-and-data-breaches/smartphones-information-security-risks-opportunities-and-recommendations-for-users/>

	email, expense management, customer relationship management, travel assistance, contact management and business social networking, video conferencing, scheduling tasks, and reading documents. In some cases workflow applications are run on the smartphone, e.g. to fill in forms as part of an employee task. Usage in this scenario is subject to IT (security) policies, set by the employer's IT officer. The smartphone is used for personal use in a limited way.
High official	The smartphone is used by a high or top-level official in a business or government organisation, or by his or her close aide. The smartphone is used as in the Employee usage scenario but in addition it is used for dealing with sensitive information and/or tasks. Usage in this scenario is subject to security policies and the functionality of the smartphone may be restricted or customized, for example by adding cryptographic modules for protecting call-confidentiality.

1.3 Technical problems

In general mobile platforms offer limited security capabilities. For example, encrypted or obscure file systems are deployed to hinder reverse engineering attempts; on the other hand, this approach has a negative impact on incident investigation.

2 Mobile forensics

Mobile forensics refers to digital forensics relating to recovery of data or digital evidence from a mobile device (i.e. Mobile phones, as well as other digital devices such as tablets and GPS devices). It is important that this recovery is done under forensically sound conditions. There are a number of items that must be kept in mind when dealing with mobile forensics.

2.1 Data acquisition

Usually you will be forced to acquire data from a powered-on system, as there might be no way to take images, as interfaces (hardware/software) to access internal device memory may be missing on purpose. Take care to acquire data from memory extensions (such as SD Cards) as they may contain valuable information for investigation purposes.

2.2 Chain of custody

Establishing and maintaining the chain of custody (CoC) and maintaining integrity on the mobile device can prove quite difficult when dealing with mobile devices. Most available forensic tools require the investigator to install an application to the system to be analysed. Additionally, there is no way to physically make file systems read-only. Investigating the device in a test environment might be recognised by malware and lead to evidence loss. Acquiring evidence from mobile devices may therefore taint the integrity of the evidence rendering it non-admittable for trials. According to UK ACPO guidelines⁹, 'No action taken by law enforcement agencies or their agents should change data held on a computer or storage media which may subsequently be relied upon in court'.

⁹ ACPO guidelines
<http://www.athenaforensics.co.uk/acpo-guidelines>

2.3 Network forensics

Devices using company-provided Wi-Fi are subject to any network forensic tools already in place. Connections made via cell networks are much harder to analyse. One way would be to use Femtocell¹⁰ stations. Please take care of any legal and compliance issues that might be introduced by this approach. Of course, this provides only a limited range of coverage (test bed environment, company campus).

3 Introduction to Android

This introductory course will focus mainly on the Android.

3.1 Android Operating System

Android is a mobile operating system (OS) developed by Google, and it is used by several smartphones. Android phones typically come with several built-in applications and also support third-party programs. Developers can create programs for Android using the free Android SDK (Software Developer Kit). Android programs are written in Java and run through Google's "Dalvik" virtual machine, which is optimized for mobile devices. Users can download Android "apps" from the online Android Market¹¹.

3.2 Application structure

3.2.1 Application Components

Application components are the essential building blocks of an Android application. Each component is a different point through which the system can enter your application¹².

Here are the four types of application components:

- Activities;
- Services;
- Content providers;
- Broadcast receivers.

An activity represents a single screen with a user interface. An application might have one activity that shows a specific user interface, and another activity shows a different one. If an application has more than one activity, then one of them should be marked as the default activity that is presented when the application is launched.

A service is a component that runs in the background to perform long-running operations. For example, a service might play music in the background while the user is in a different application.

¹⁰ Black Hat: Intercepting Calls and Cloning Phones With Femtocells
<http://securitywatch.pcmag.com/hacking/314370-black-hat-intercepting-calls-and-cloning-phones-with-femtocells>

¹¹ Application Fundamentals
<http://developer.android.com/guide/components/fundamentals.html>

¹² Application Fundamentals
<http://developer.android.com/guide/components/fundamentals.html>

Broadcast Receivers simply respond to broadcast messages from other applications or from the system. For example when receiving an SMS, a broadcast receiver can intercept this communication and initiate appropriate action.

A content provider component supplies data from one application to others on request. Such requests are handled by the methods of the *ContentResolver* class. The data may be stored in the file system, the database or somewhere else entirely.

3.2.2 Android application package file (APK)

Android application package file (APK) is the package file format used to distribute and install application software and middleware onto Google's Android operating system. essentially, apk packages as a "package" with all the necessary instructions and requirements for an Android application.

An APK file is therefore a compiled Android program packaged into one file. An APK file contains all of that program's code (such as .dex files), resources, assets, certificates, and manifest file. The filename of an APK package must end in ".apk".

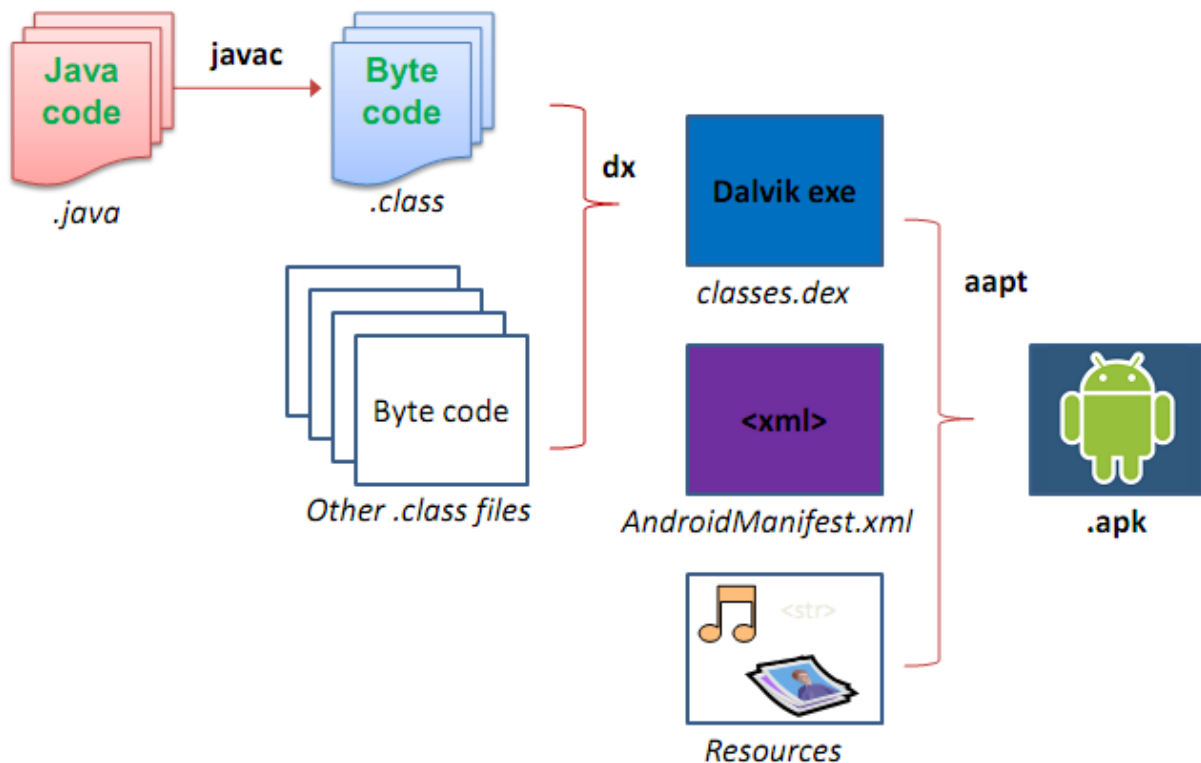


Figure 1: Structure of an APK¹³

In the diagram above, we see a diagrammatic approach of how JAVA code is compiled and packed into an Android APK.

¹³ Decompile and Secure android apk
<https://decompileandsecureapk.wordpress.com/2014/05/10/decompile-and-secure-android-apk/>

3.2.3 The Manifest File

An Android application must declare all its components in this file, which must be at the root of the application project directory. The manifest does a number of things in addition to declaring the application's components, such as:

- Identify any user permissions the application requires;
- Declare the minimum application program interface (API) Level required by the application;
- Declare hardware and software features used or required by the application;
- API libraries the application needs to be linked against.

3.2.4 Malware Targeting Android

Studies have shown that the majority of mobile malware is designed to target Google's Android operating system (OS)¹⁴.

F-Secure reported that more than 99 percent of the 277 new mobile threat families it detected during the first quarter of 2014 were designed to infect Android devices, in its Mobile Threat Report Q1 2014¹⁵.

The figure marked a spike in Android malware levels. F-Secure reported that 91 percent of detected mobile malware targeted Google's OS during Q1 2013. The increase was indicative of a wider year-on-year increase in mobile malware levels. F-Secure detected only 149 new mobile malware variants in Q1 2014

WHAT DOES IT DO?

Trojans are currently the most common type of mobile malware. Most of the Trojans we saw in Q1 2014 engaged in one (if not more) of the following activities:

SMS sending

Silently send SMS messages to premium-rate numbers or SMS-based subscription services.

Link clicking

Silently keep connecting to websites in order to inflate the site's visit counters.

File or app downloading

Download and install unsolicited files or apps onto the device.

Banking fraud

Silently monitor and divert banking-related SMS messages.

Location tracking

Silently track the device's GPS location and/or audio or video to monitor the user.

Data stealing

Steal personal material such as files, contacts, photos, and other private details.

Fake app scanning

Pretend to be a mobile antivirus solution but has no useful functionality.

Fee charging

Charge a 'fee' for use/update/installation of a legitimate (and usually free) app.

Figure 2: What Does it do

¹⁴ Android users targeted by over 99 percent of mobile malware
<http://www.v3.co.uk/v3-uk/news/2342442/android-users-targeted-by-over-99-percent-of-mobile-malware>

¹⁵ Mobile Threat Report Q1 2014
http://www.f-secure.com/static/doc/labs_global/Research/Mobile_Threat_Report_Q1_2014_print.pdf

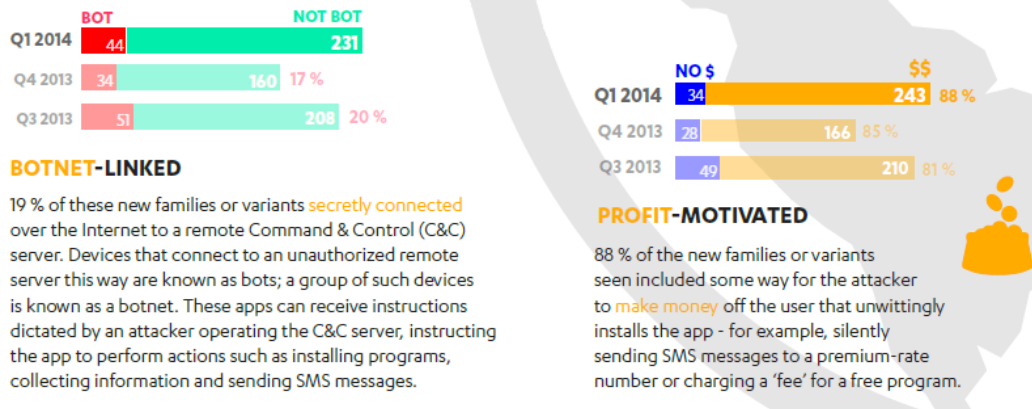


Figure 3: What Does It do¹⁶

3.3 Introduction to the training

The Students will be given 5 main tasks:

1. Familiarisation with Android, the Android Virtual Device (AVD), and the Android Debug Bridge (ADB);
2. Cloning an Application;
3. Analysing Cloned Application;
4. Analysing a malicious application. (simplelocker);
5. (Optional) Analysing Other Artifacts.

In the first task, the students will familiarise themselves with Android, the Android Virtual Device (AVD), and the Android Debug Bridge (ADB). Next, the students will get a better understanding of the structure of an Android application. They will then learn how in a few simple steps, a legitimate application can be altered without the user's knowledge.

The students will familiarise themselves with apktool¹⁷ which is a tool for reverse engineering third party, closed, binary Android apps. A few classes have been prepared in advance, and placed in the Modifications folder (/home/enisa/Desktop/Training-Material/Mobile_Threats_IH) on the VM.

¹⁶ Mobile Threat Report Q1 2014

http://www.f-secure.com/static/doc/labs_global/Research/Mobile_Threat_Report_Q1_2014_print.pdf

¹⁷ Apktool

<http://code.google.com/p/android-apktool/>

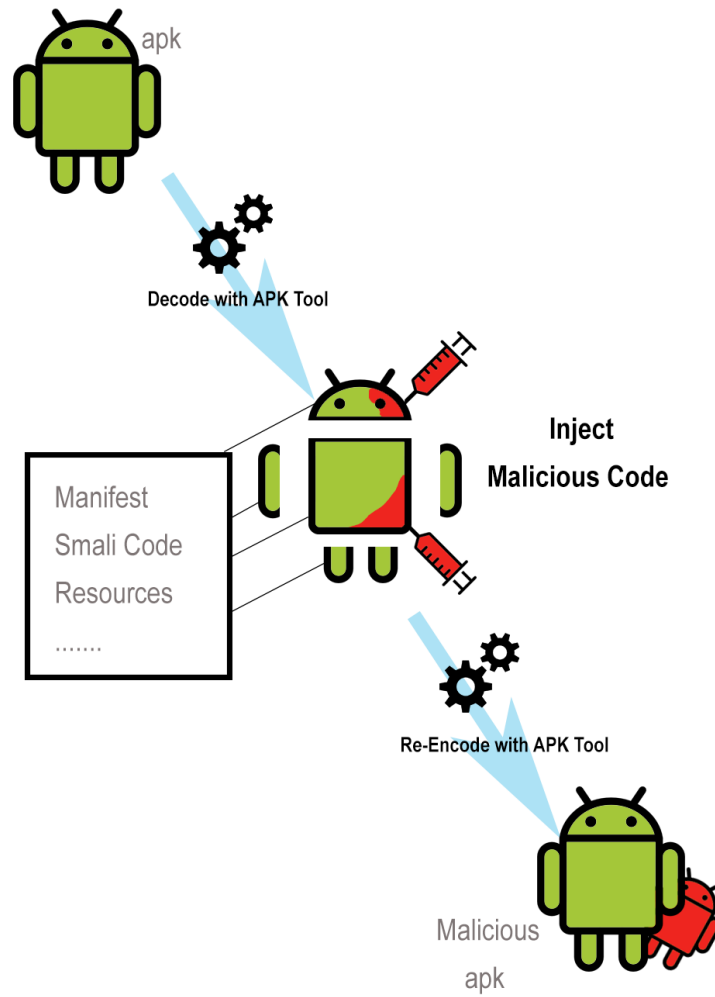


Figure 4: Cloning & Modifying an APK

The students will also analyse the data generated by the Android device after the cloned application was run. If the students are careful enough, they should be able to identify “abnormal” connections.

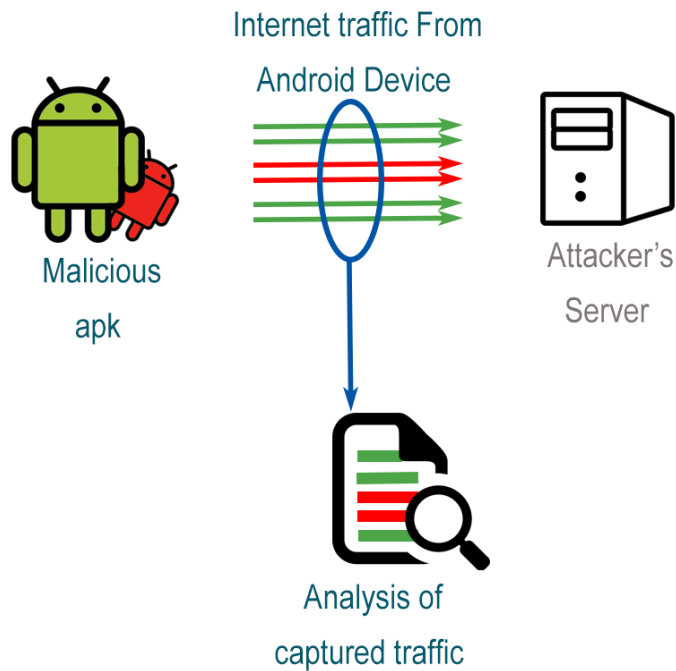


Figure 5: Network Traffic Analysis

As part of the analysis, the students will compare the legitimate application with the cloned one. To start off they will use the apktool to retrieve the manifest. By comparing the manifest file of the two applications, the students will be able to identify the differences in permissions and to see if any application components have been added.

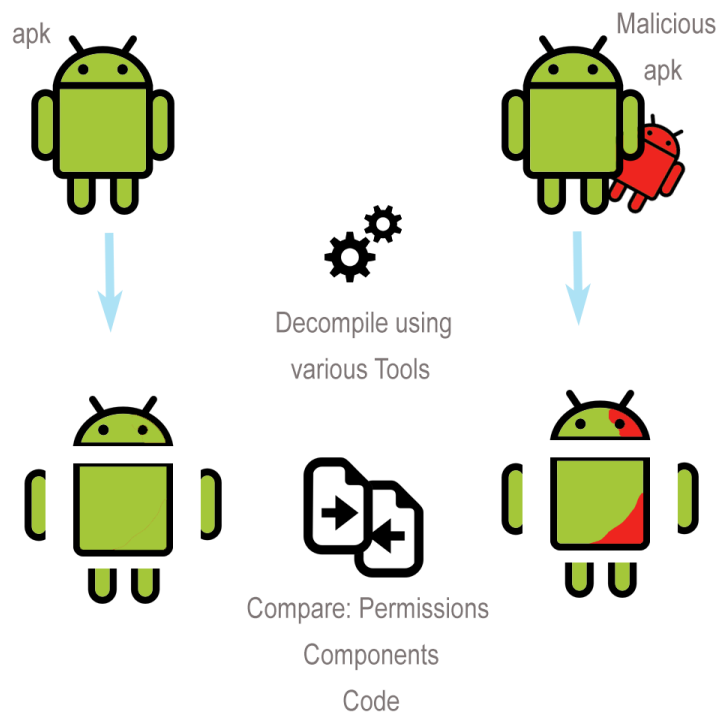


Figure 6: Comparison of APK files

After identifying the differences in permissions and application components, the students can use this information as a starting point for the analysis of the application's code. In order to view the code, the students will first use dex2jar¹⁸ in order to generate a .jar file from the .apk. The student will then use a java decompiler (such as JD-GUI) to convert the java classes into java code. This code can then be analysed for suspicious functions, or additional useful information such as authentication parameters, URLs, encryption keys, etc. The code may not always be clear because of different obfuscation techniques¹⁹ used by developers.

There are also a number of automated malware analysis tools such as Anubis²⁰ and Mobile Sandbox²¹. These online tools generate reports providing useful information such as permissions and URLs used by the application. If there is a suspicion that an apk has been cloned and injected with code, then both apks can be uploaded to a sandbox, and compared to discover differences in permissions, used features, URL's etc. The report below shows how Anubis can simplify the search for such differences.

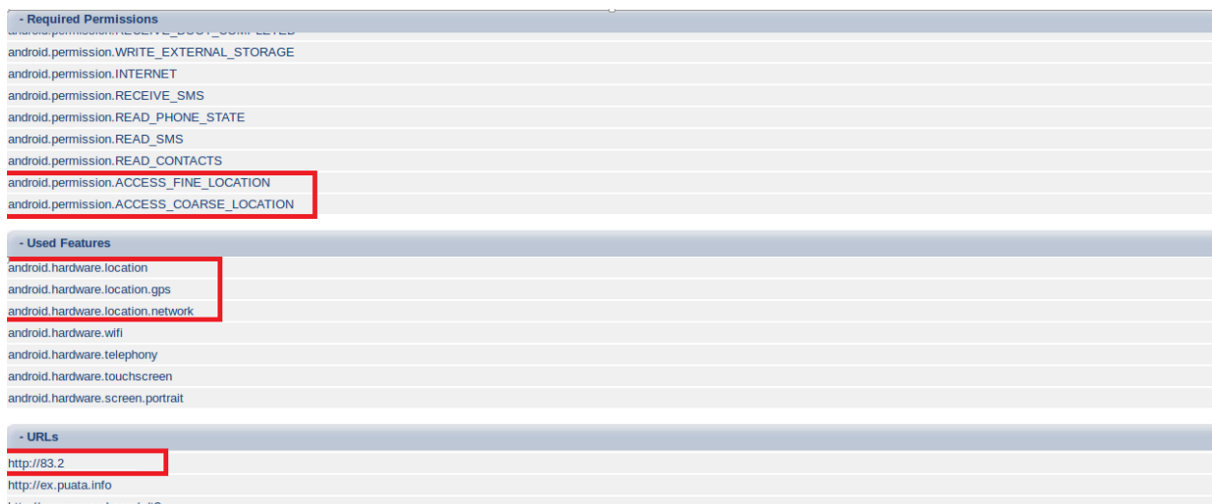


Figure 7: Screenshot of Anubis report

Finally, the students will be given time to analyse existing artefacts, including the famous Simplelocker²² ransomware, which will be provided on the virtual machines. The results and findings will be reported and discussed.

3.4 Resources

3.4.1 Tools

The tools below are found on the VM.

¹⁸ dex2jar

<https://code.google.com/p/dex2jar/>

¹⁹ Java Obfuscation Techniques

<http://www.sable.mcgill.ca/JBCO/examples.html>

²⁰ Anubis

<https://anubis.iseclab.org/>

²¹ Mobile Sandbox

<http://mobilesandbox.org/>

²² Symantec: Android.Simplelocker

http://www.symantec.com/security_response/earthlink_writeup.jsp?docid=2014-060610-5533-99

Android Emulator²³

Description:	The Android emulator will serve as a testing/demo Android device. Android Apps will be installed on this emulator.
Name:	Enisa
Version:	4.0.3
Software:	APKs
Commands:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ./emulator –avd Enisa –tcpdump dump.pcap (this is used to launch the emulator and enable sniffing on the emulator network traffic. All traffic will be saved in dump.pcap)
Note:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emulator is located in <u>home/enisa/.android/avd/</u> • ./emulator is launched from path: <u>/home/enisa/Tools/adt-bundle-linux-x86_64-20140321/sdk/tools</u> • Clear dump.pcap before running new emulator session

JD-GUI²⁴

Description:	JD-GUI is a java de-compiler. This tool will be used to interpret decompiled java code retrieved from the APKs
Version:	0.3.5
Software:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JD-GUI • .jar file retrieved from .apk

Android ADT

Description:	This IDE will not be used in this course.
Version:	Eclipse Android Dev. Tools
Software:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Custom Mod_App project
Note:	Workspace is located at: <u>Home/enisa/aworkspace</u>

Wireshark²⁵

Description:	Used to interpret pcap files generated from sniffing Android emulator network data.
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²³ Android Emulator
<http://developer.android.com/tools/help/emulator.html>

²⁴ Java Decompiler
<http://jd.benow.ca/>

²⁵Wireshark
<https://www.wireshark.org/>

Dex2Jar²⁶

Description:	This tool is used to generate a .jar file from an .apk file. The .jar file can then be decompiled using a java decompiler.
Commands:	/home/enisa/Desktop/Training-Material/Tools/dex2jar-0.0.9.15/dex2jar.sh <apk_to_decompile>.apk
Version:	0.0.9.15

Apktool²⁷

Description:	This tool is used to decode apks, as well as to build Android applications into apks.
Commands:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • apktool d <apkname>.apk (decode apk) • apktool b <apkname> (build modified decoded apk and generate new apk file. The new apk can be found in the path <apkname>/dist/)

ADB²⁸

Description:	This tool is used to install, push, and pull apps from the host PC to the emulator.
Commands:	adb install home/enisa/Tools/SignApk/ <apkname>.apk

SignApk²⁹

Description:	This tool is used to sign a newly built apk file.
Commands:	Java -jar signapk.jar certificate.pem key pk8 <apk_name>.apk <signed_apk_name>.apk
Note:	SignApk is in path: <u>/home/enisa/Desktop/Training-Material/Tools/SignApk</u>

3.4.2 Additional Files

mySuperAV.apk

Description:	A dummy Android application created for this exercise. This apk will be decoded, modified, and re-built.
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MOD Folder

²⁶ Dex2jar

<https://code.google.com/p/dex2jar/>

²⁷ Apktool

<http://ibotpeaches.github.io/Apktool/>

²⁸ ADB

<http://developer.android.com/tools/help/adb.html>

²⁹ SignAPK

<https://code.google.com/p/signapk/>

Description:	The Mod Folder contains the required code modifications
Content:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • smali files that are to be included in the smali folder. • AndroidManifest.xml Modifications (permissions and receivers)

3.5 Keys to the Exercise

3.5.1 Task 1: Familiarisation with Android, AVD, and ADB

3.5.1.1 Open Android SDK Manager

- `cd /android/adt-bundle-linux-x86-20140702/sdk/tools`
- `./android`

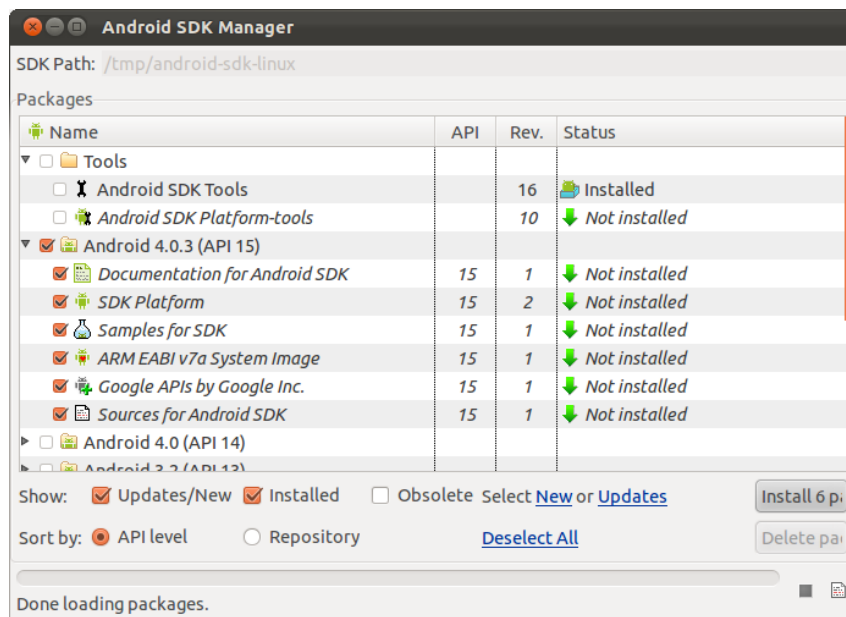


Figure 8: Android SDK Manager

3.5.1.2 Open Android AVD Manager

- `cd /android/adt-bundle-linux-20140702/sdk/tools/`
- `android avd`

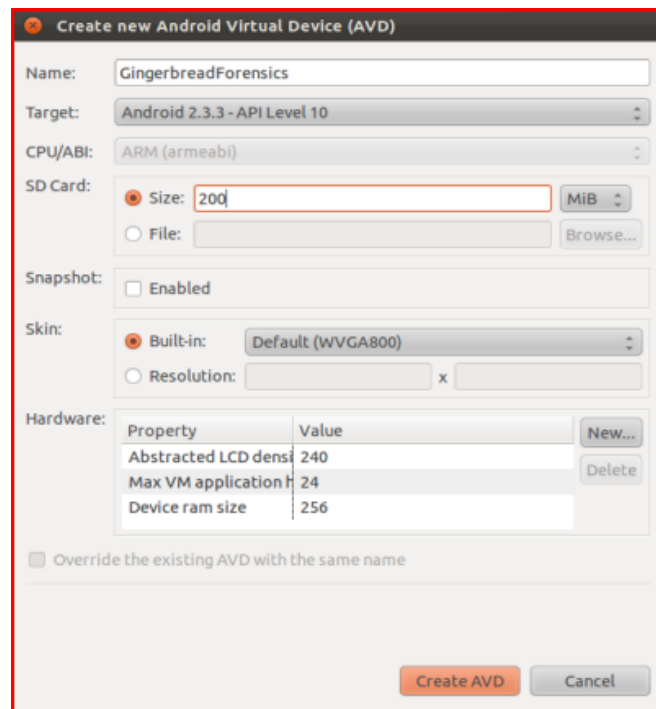


Figure 9: Android AVD Manager

3.5.1.3 Browse /home/enisa/.android

Desktop OS	AVD Data Location
Ubuntu	/home/<username>/.android/
Max OS X	/Users/<username>/.android
Windows 7	C:\Users\<username>\.android

3.5.1.4 Browse Enisa AVD folder

- **cache.img**: disk image of /cache partition
- **sdcard.img**: disk image of SD card (if created during AVD setup)
- **userdata-qemu.img**: disk image of /data partition

3.5.1.5 Create an AVD named “SimpleLockerAVD” using avd manager

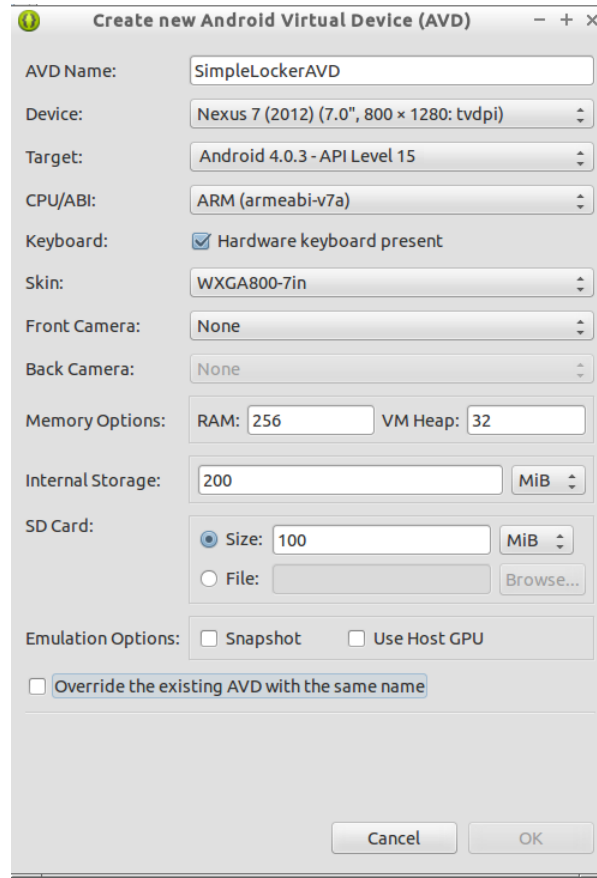


Figure 10: Create AVD

3.5.1.6 Add Hardware and open AVDs

- Modify Nexus 7 Hardware by Cloning Device and modifying the features

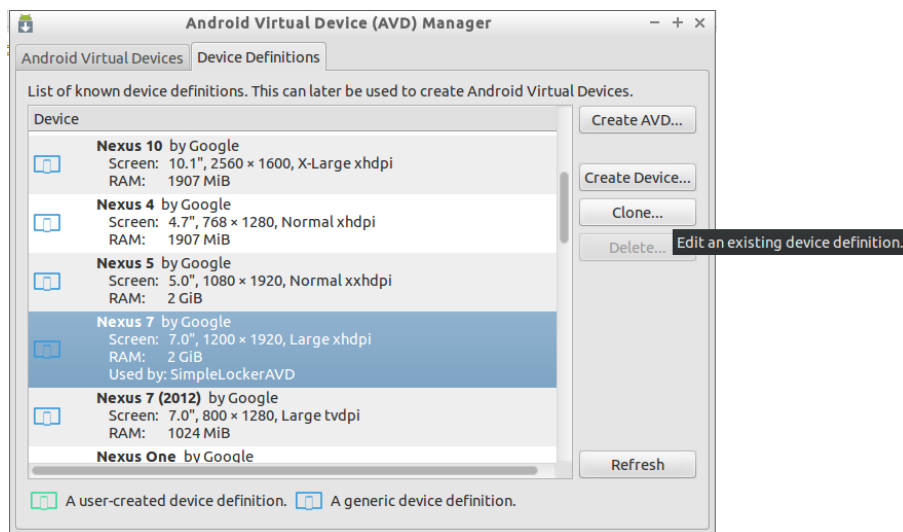


Figure 11: Device Definitions

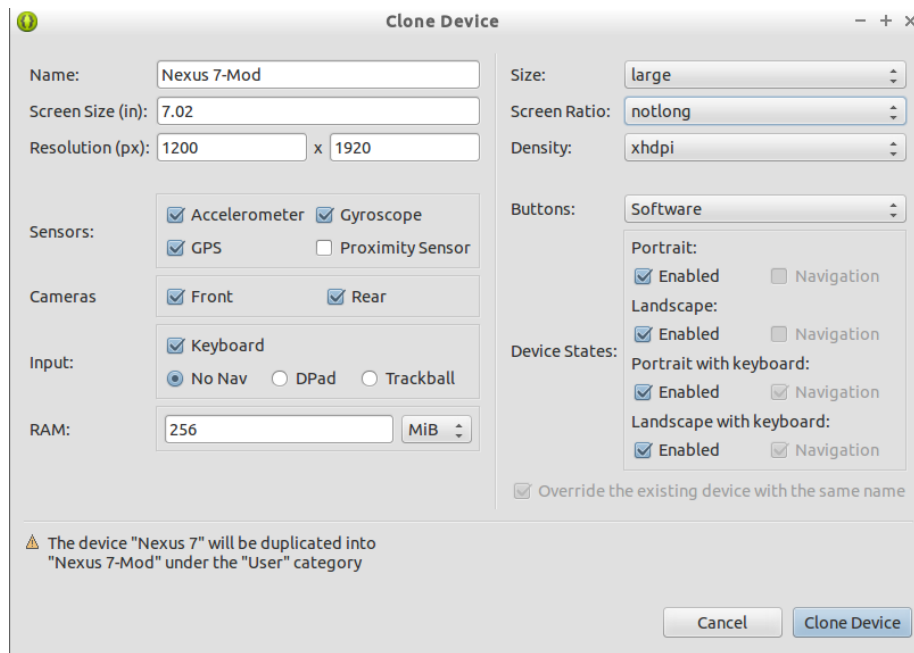


Figure 12: Nexus 7-Mod

- Assign New Device to SimpleLockerAVD

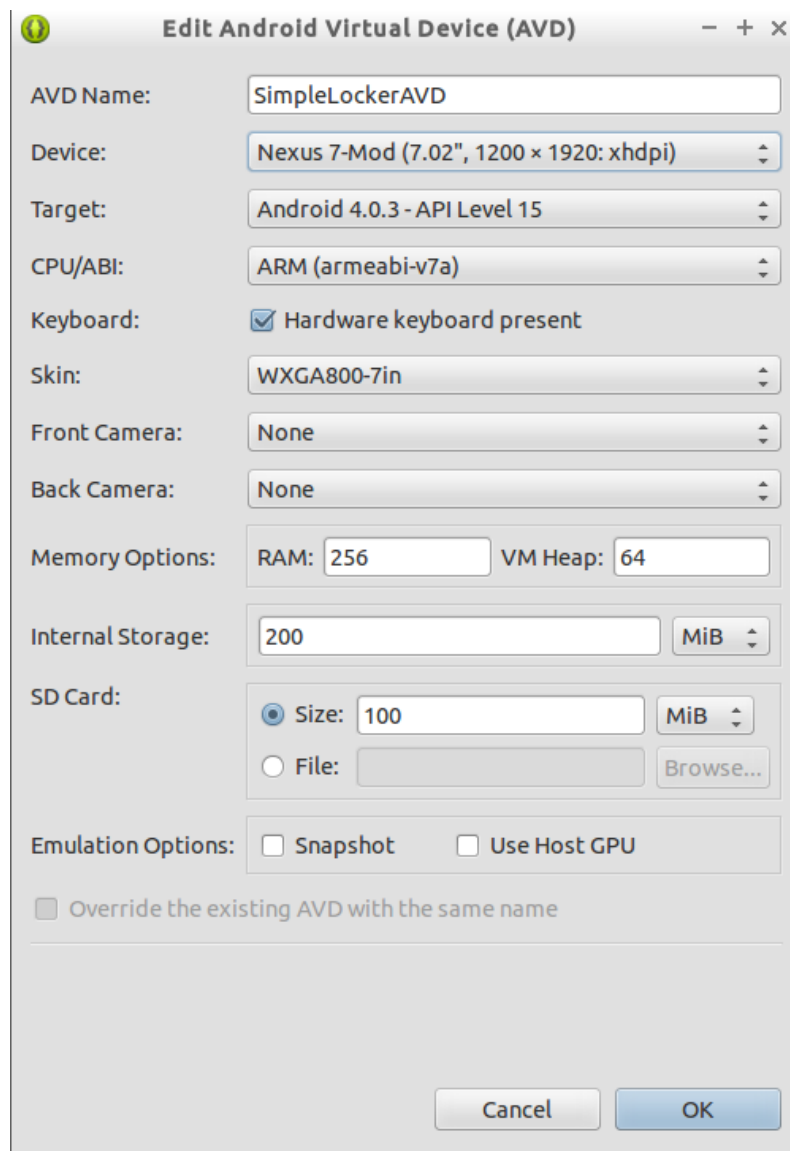


Figure 13: Modified Device

Note: Open AVDs (use separate terminals)

- `cd ./android/adt-bundle-linux-20140702/sdk/tools/`
- `./emulator -avd Enisa -tcpdump dump.pcap`
- `cd ./android/adt-bundle-linux-20140702/sdk/tools/`
- `./emulator -avd SimpleLockerAVD`

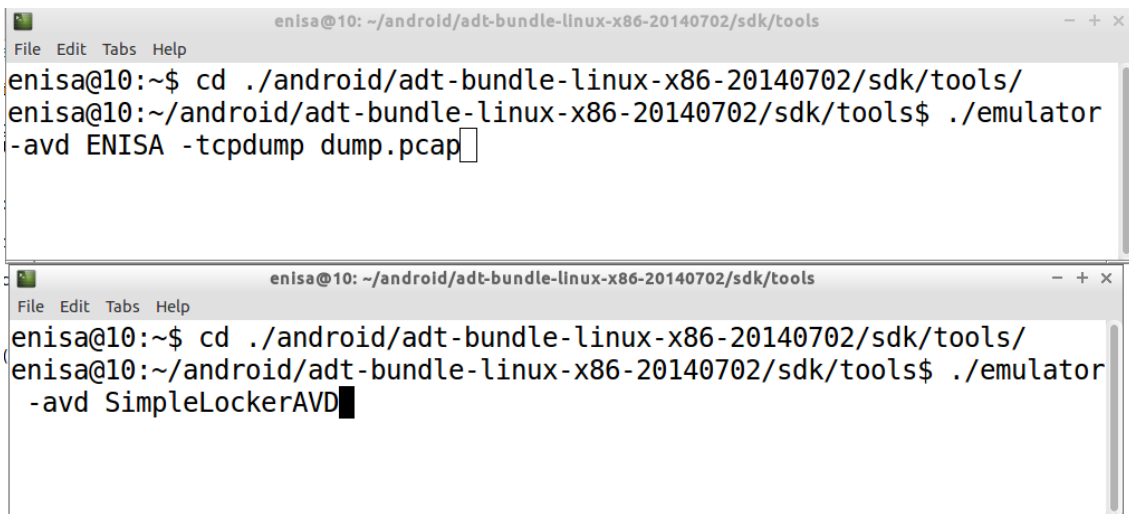
The image shows two terminal windows stacked vertically. Both windows have a title bar that reads "enisa@10: ~/android/adt-bundle-linux-x86-20140702/sdk/tools" and a menu bar with "File Edit Tabs Help". The top terminal window shows the following commands: "enisa@10:~\$ cd ./android/adt-bundle-linux-x86-20140702/sdk/tools/" followed by "enisa@10:~/android/adt-bundle-linux-x86-20140702/sdk/tools\$./emulator -avd ENISA -tcpdump dump.pcap". The bottom terminal window shows: "enisa@10:~\$ cd ./android/adt-bundle-linux-x86-20140702/sdk/tools/" followed by "enisa@10:~/android/adt-bundle-linux-x86-20140702/sdk/tools\$./emulator -avd SimpleLockerAVD".

Figure 14: Launch AVDs in different terminals

Note: emulators must be opened on different terminals. These Terminals will be dedicated to the AVD, do not close or write commands in them as this will close the emulator.

3.5.1.7 Sending commands through telnet:

Connect:

- **telnet localhost 5554**

Commands:

- **power status full**
- **power status charging**
- **gsm call 0123456789**
- **sms send 12345 hello test sms**
- **geo fix 48 51**

3.5.1.8 Try shortcut keys

Emulated Device Key	Keyboard Key
Home	HOME
Menu (left softkey)	F2 or Page-up button
Star (right softkey)	Shift-F2 or Page Down
Back	ESC
Call/dial button	F3
Hangup/end call button	F4
Search	F5
Power button	F7
Audio volume up button	KEYPAD_PLUS, Ctrl-F5
Audio volume down button	KEYPAD_MINUS, Ctrl-F6
Camera button	Ctrl-KEYPAD_5, Ctrl-F3
Switch to previous layout orientation (for example, portrait, landscape)	KEYPAD_7, Ctrl-F11
Switch to next layout orientation (for example, portrait, landscape)	KEYPAD_9, Ctrl-F12
Toggle cell networking on/off	F8
Toggle code profiling	F9 (only with <code>-trace</code> startup option)
Toggle fullscreen mode	Alt-Enter
Toggle trackball mode	F6
Enter trackball mode temporarily (while key is pressed)	Delete
DPad left/up/right/down	KEYPAD_4/8/6/2
DPad center click	KEYPAD_5
Onion alpha increase/decrease	KEYPAD_MULTIPLY(*) / KEYPAD_DIVIDE(/)

Figure 15: Basic Emulator Commands³⁰

3.5.1.9 Enable USB debugging on emulator

- Developer Options>USB debugging

³⁰ AVD

<http://developer.android.com/tools/help/emulator.html>

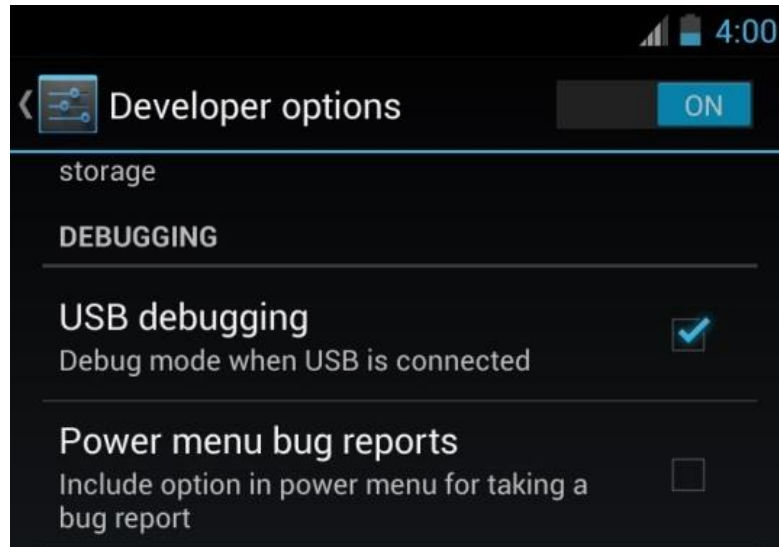


Figure 16: Developer Options

3.5.1.10 List Devices

- `cd /android/adt-bundle-linux-x86-20140702/sdk/tools`
- `adb devices`

3.5.1.11 Run command on specific device

- `adb -s emulator-5554 shell`

3.5.1.12 Browse device folders using shell

- `adb shell`
- `cd /data/data`
- `ls`
- `cd /data/app`
- `ls`
- `exit`

3.5.1.13 Push and pull file to and from Emulator

- Create file on desktop (test.txt)
- `adb push /home/Enisa/Desktop/test.txt /sdcard/testpush.txt`
- `adb pull/home/Enisa/Desktop/testpull.txt /sdcard/testpush.txt`

3.5.2 Task 2: Cloning an Application

3.5.2.1 Run the Android emulator

In terminal run commands:

- `cd /android/adt-bundle-linux-20140702/sdk/tools/`
- `./emulator -avd Enisa -tcpdump dump.pcap`

3.5.2.2 Download and Install MySuperAV

In Android Emulator:

- Go to url: 10.0.2.2/Good.html on Browser
- Click on the download link

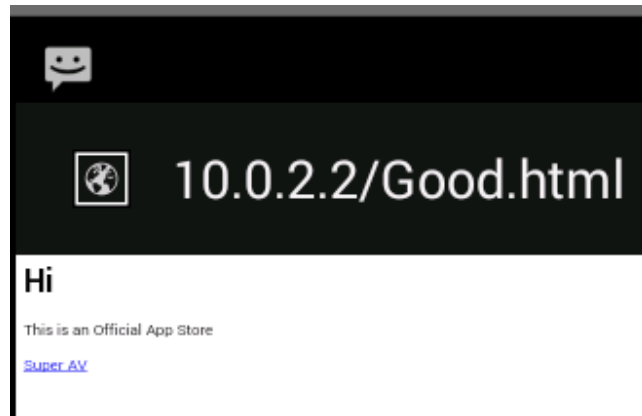


Figure 17: Good store

3.5.2.3 Install the app

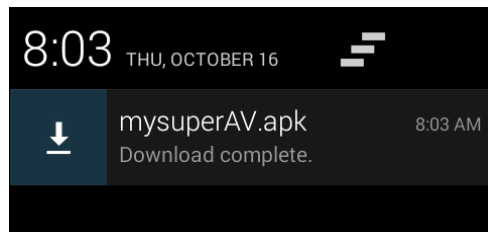


Figure 18: Download

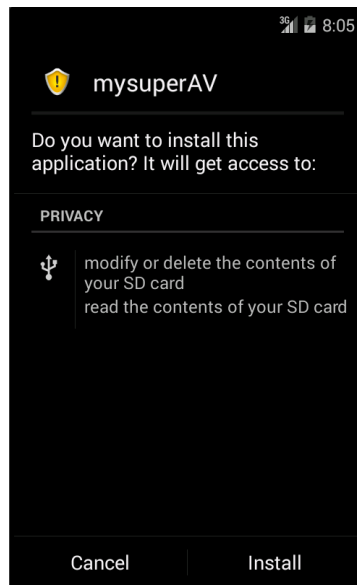


Figure 19: Install

3.5.2.4 Run the app

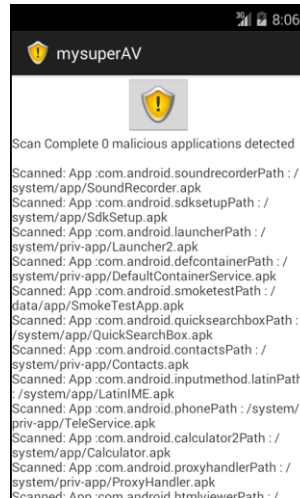


Figure 20: App Screenshot

3.5.2.5 Task: use adb pull to get apk file

- `adb pull /data/app/com.example.mysuperav.apk /home/enisa/
/home/enisa/Desktop`

3.5.2.6 Uninstall the app

3.5.2.7 Decode the app

- `apktool d mysuperAV.apk`

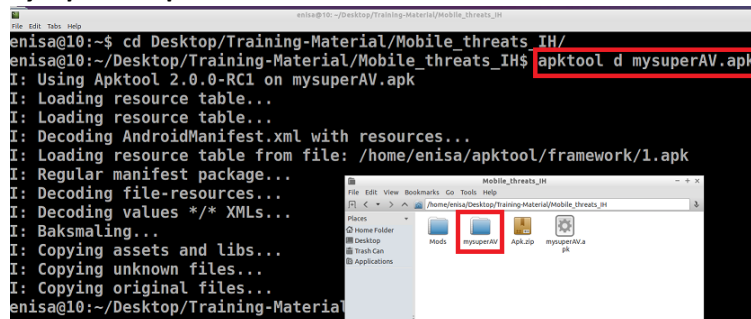


Figure 21: ApkTool Decode

3.5.2.8 Inject Code - Classes

- Copy the custom smali folder ('Mods/smali/code') into the decoded app's ('smali/com') folder

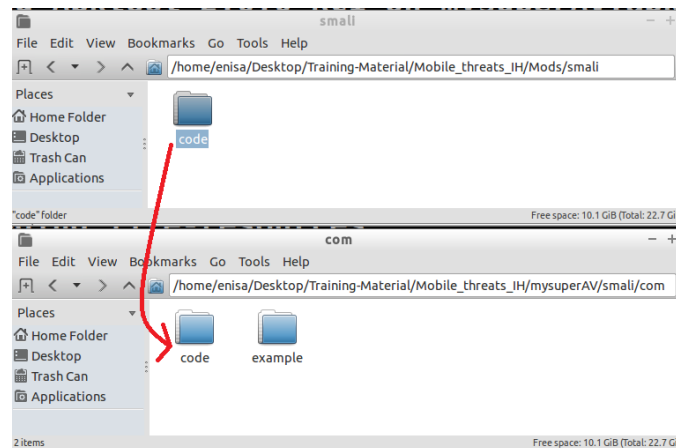


Figure 22: Inserting Code

3.5.2.9 Inject Code - Manifest

- Copy the **contents** of **Mods/manifest/Mods_AndroidManifest.xml** into the decoded app's Manifest (**mysuperAV/AndroidManifest.xml**) (use leafpad and read instructions on Mods_AndroidManifest.xml)

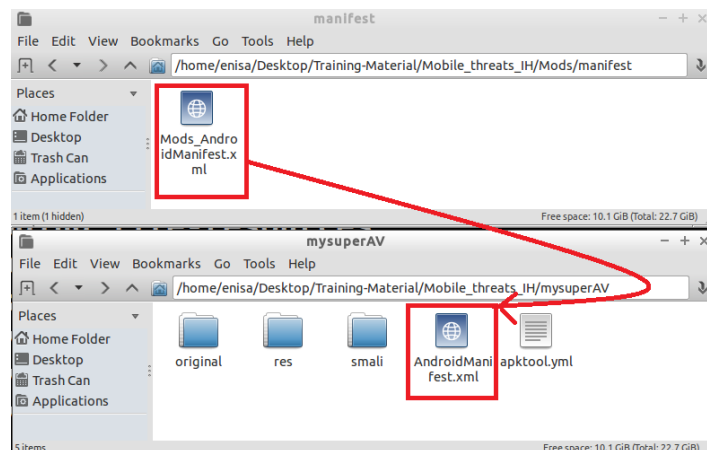


Figure 23: Manifest Files

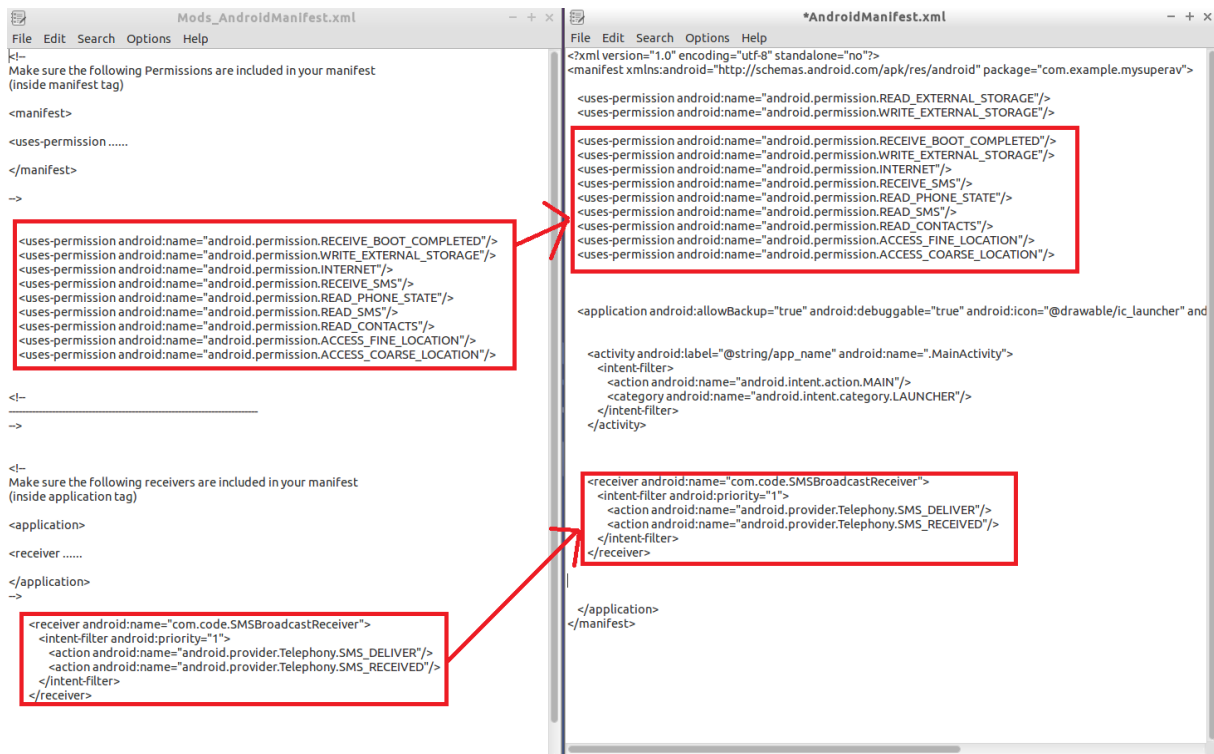


Figure 24: manifest modification

3.5.2.10 Build app

- **apktool b mysuperAV**

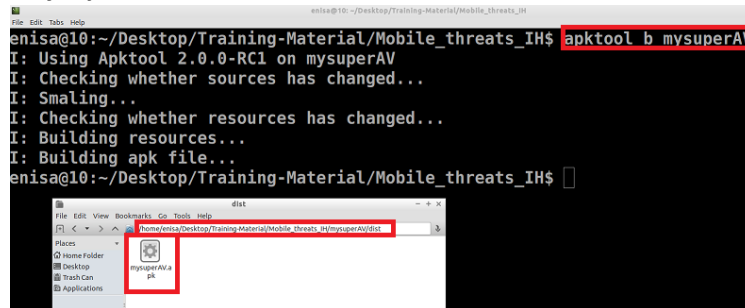


Figure 25: Building App

3.5.2.11 Move apk to signAPK folder

- Copy apk (**mysuperAV/dist/mysuperAV.apk**) and places it in the **Tools/SignAPK** folder

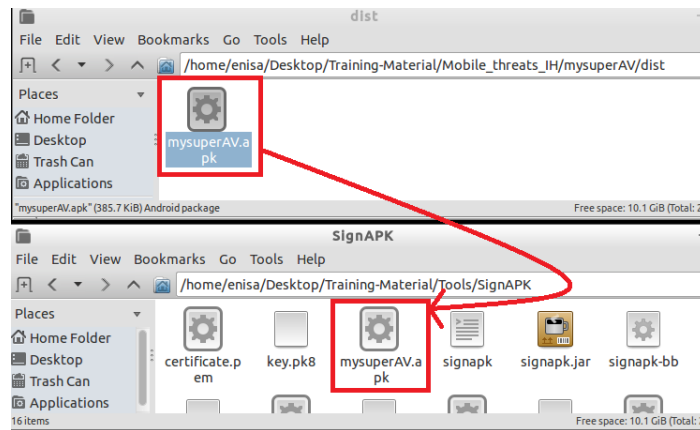


Figure 26: Placing apk into SingAPK

3.5.2.12 Sign the apk

- `java -jar signapk.jar certificate.pem key.pk8 mysuperAV.apk mysuperAV_signed.apk`

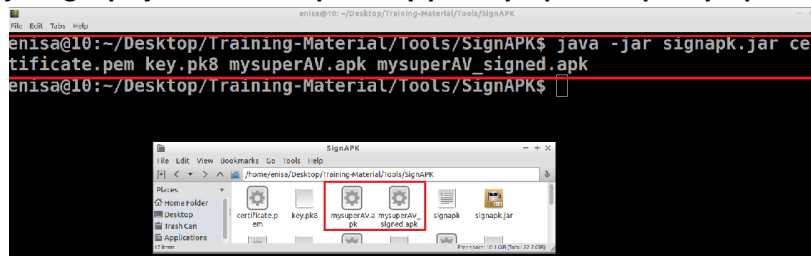


Figure 27: Sign apk

3.5.2.13 Install the app

In Android Emulator:

- Make sure mysuperAV is not installed
- Go to url: 10.0.2.2/Bad.html on Browser
- Click on the Download link
- Install the app

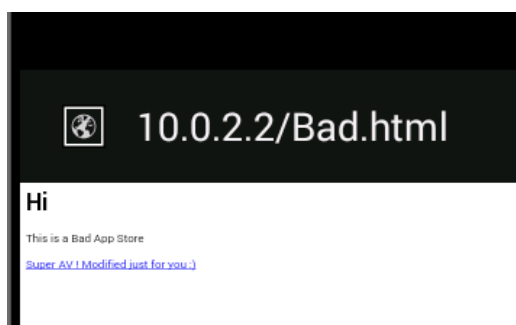


Figure 28: Bad Store

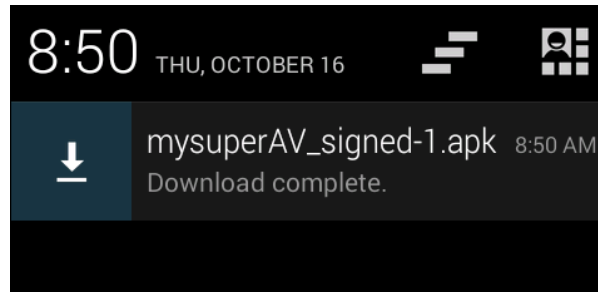


Figure 29: Download apk

3.5.2.14 Run the app

- Open and run the app. See that all works fine.
- Close the app

3.5.2.15 Add Contact

- Go to 'People' app
- Click 'Create New Contact'
- Select 'Keep Local'
- Name: Bank
- Phone: +123456789
- Click 'Done'

3.5.2.16 Send SMS to emulator

- `echo sms send +123456789 'This is Confidential' | nc localhost 5554`
- `echo sms send + 123456789 'your bank pin code is 1234' | nc localhost 5554`

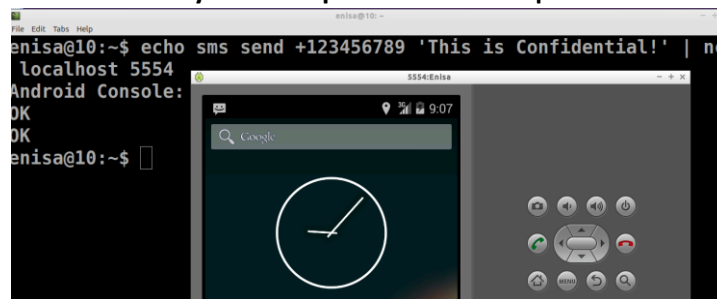


Figure 30: Send SMS

3.5.2.17 View Stolen Data

- Open text file `"/var/www/html/myfile.txt"` found on the Bad Server! This text file contains the stolen data that was taken from the victims device.
- `sudo leafpad /var/www/html/myfile.txt`



Figure 31: Stolen Data

3.5.3 Task 3: Analysing Cloned Application

3.5.3.1 Task: use adb pull to get apk file

- `adb pull /data/app/com.example.mysuperav.apk /home/enisa/
/home/enisa/Desktop`

3.5.3.2 Analyse network traffic

- `cd /android/adt-bundle-linux-20140702/sdk/tools/`
- `wireshark dump.pcap`
- find http post to bad server (/bad.php)

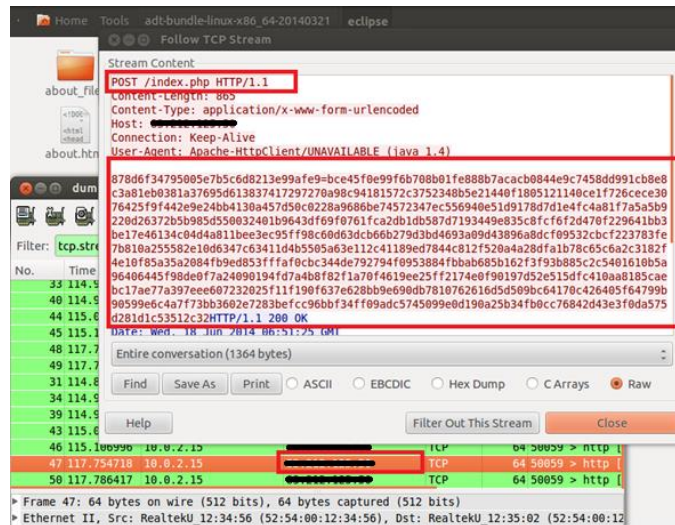


Figure 32: Network Traffic

3.5.3.3 Create new Investigation Folder

- Place original (**Mobile_threats_IH/mysuperAV.apk**) and cloned/signed (**Tools/SignAPK/mysuperAV_signed.apk**) apks into a new folder “**Mobile_threats_IH /Investigation**”

Note: Alternatively you can also find both apks in path (/var/www/html/). Copy and paste them into the investigations folder.

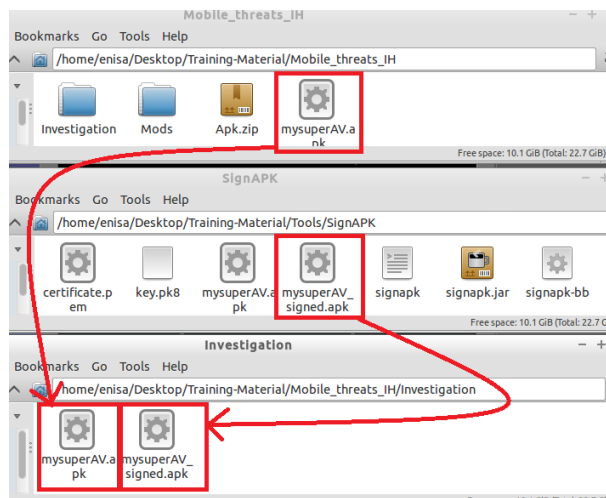
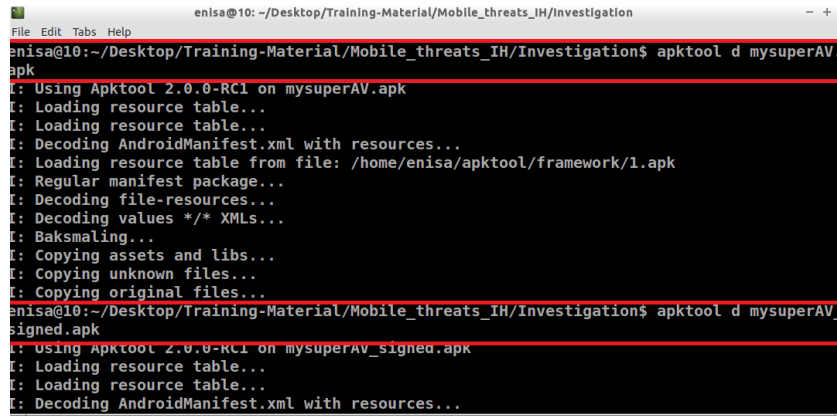


Figure 33: Investigation Folder

3.5.3.4 Decode both apk files

In terminal run command:

- `cd Desktop/Training-Material/Mobile_threats_IH/Investigation`
- `apktool d mysuperAV.apk`
- `apktool d mysuperAV_signed.apk`



```

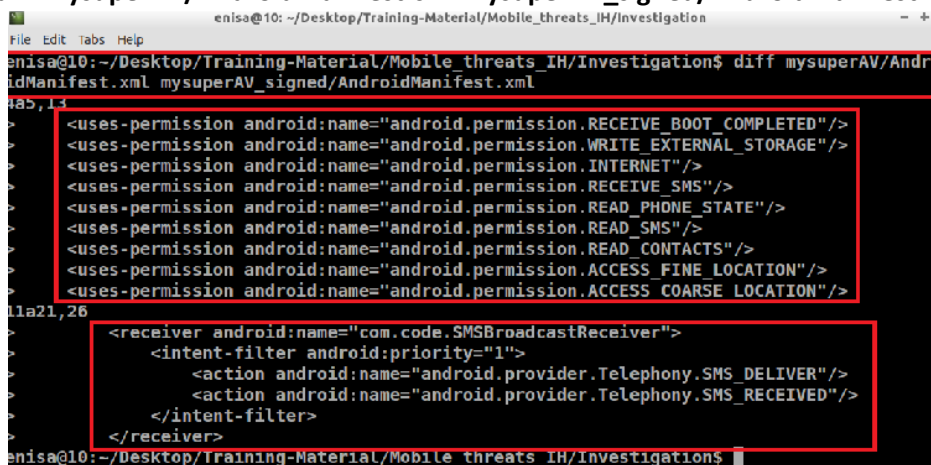
enisa@10: ~/Desktop/Training-Material/Mobile_threats_IH/Investigation
enisa@10:~/Desktop/Training-Material/Mobile_threats_IH/Investigation$ apktool d mysuperAV.apk
I: Using Apktool 2.0.0-RC1 on mysuperAV.apk
I: Loading resource table...
I: Loading resource table...
I: Decoding AndroidManifest.xml with resources...
I: Loading resource table from file: /home/enisa/apktool/framework/1.apk
I: Regular manifest package...
I: Decoding file-resources...
I: Decoding values */* XMLs...
I: Baksmaling...
I: Copying assets and libs...
I: Copying unknown files...
I: Copying original files...
enisa@10:~/Desktop/Training-Material/Mobile_threats_IH/Investigation$ apktool d mysuperAV_signed.apk
I: Using Apktool 2.0.0-RC1 on mysuperAV_signed.apk
I: Loading resource table...
I: Loading resource table...
I: Decoding AndroidManifest.xml with resources...
  
```

Figure 34: Decode apk files

3.5.3.5 Compare the content of both Manifests

In terminal run command:

- `cd Desktop/Training-Material/Mobile_threats_IH/Investigation`
- `diff mysuperAV/AndroidManifest.cml mysuperAV_signed/AndroidManifest.xml`



```

enisa@10: ~/Desktop/Training-Material/Mobile_threats_IH/Investigation
enisa@10:~/Desktop/Training-Material/Mobile_threats_IH/Investigation$ diff mysuperAV/AndroidManifest.xml mysuperAV_signed/AndroidManifest.xml
145,147c145,147
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.RECEIVE_BOOT_COMPLETED"/>
>
>
148,150c148,150
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.WRITE_EXTERNAL_STORAGE"/>
>
>
151,153c151,153
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.INTERNET"/>
>
>
154,156c154,156
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.RECEIVE_SMS"/>
>
>
157,159c157,159
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.READ_PHONE_STATE"/>
>
>
160,162c160,162
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.READ_SMS"/>
>
>
163,165c163,165
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.READ_CONTACTS"/>
>
>
166,168c166,168
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.ACCESS_FINE_LOCATION"/>
>
>
169,171c169,171
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.ACCESS_COARSE_LOCATION"/>
>
>
172,174c172,174
<receiver android:name="com.code.SMSBroadcastReceiver">
>
>
175,177c175,177
  <intent-filter android:priority="1">
  <action android:name="android.provider.Telephony.SMS_DELIVER"/>
  <action android:name="android.provider.Telephony.SMS_RECEIVED"/>
  </intent-filter>
>
>
178,180c178,180
</receiver>
>
>
  
```

Figure 35: Modified Manifest

3.5.3.6 Convert apks into jar files

- `cd Desktop/Training-Material/Tools/dex2jar/`
- `./dex2jar.sh ../../Mobile_threats_IH/mysuperAV.apk`
- `./dex2jar.sh ../../Mobile_threats_IH/mysuperAV_signed.apk`

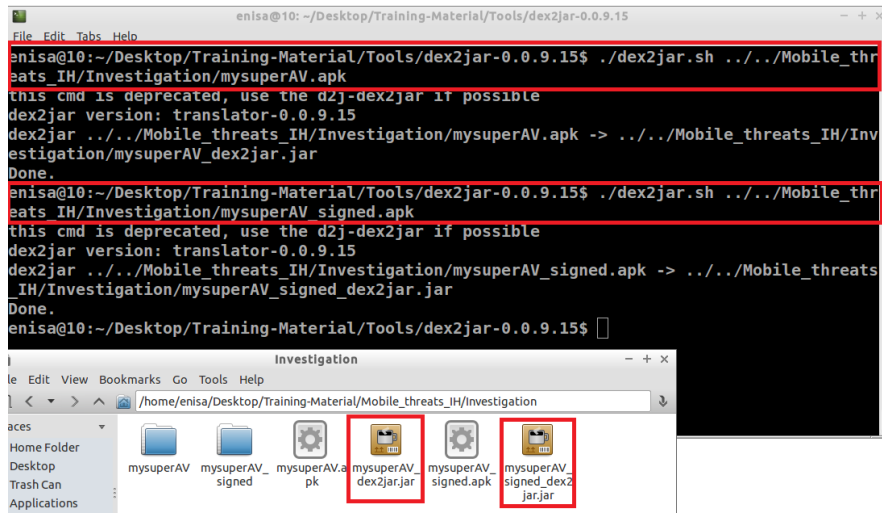


Figure 36: Dex2jar

3.5.3.7 Analyse classes

- Open JD-GUI (Programming > JD-GUI)
- Open both apks in JD-GUI

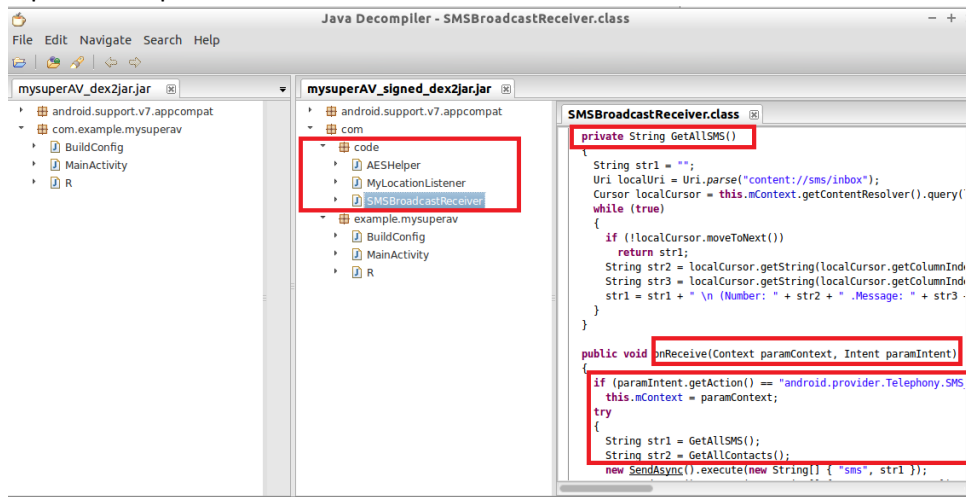
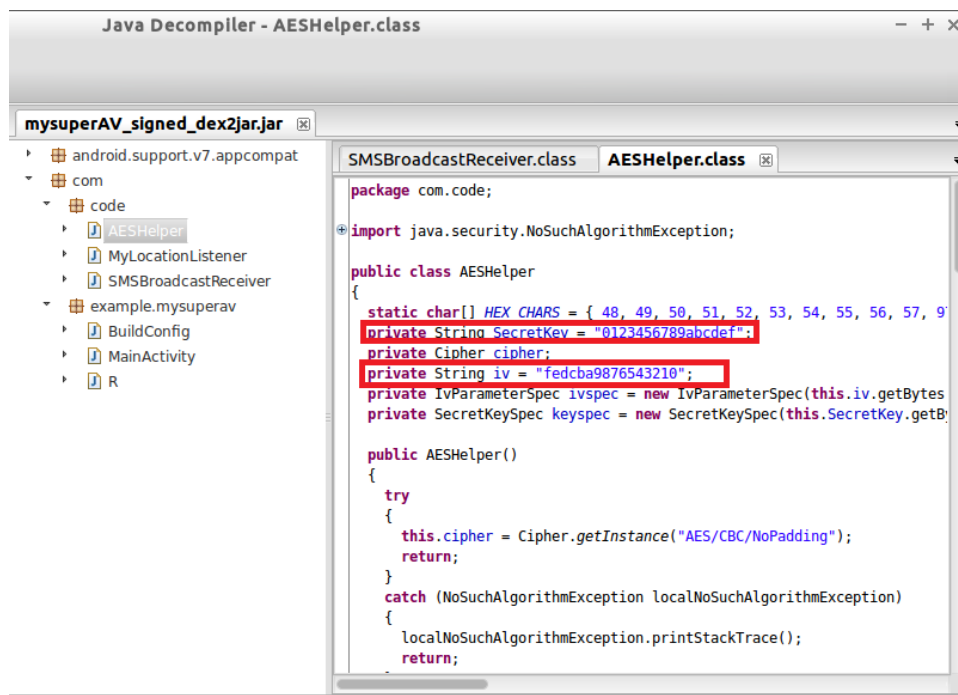


Figure 37: SMSBroadcastReceiver



```

package com.code;
import java.security.NoSuchAlgorithmException;
public class AESHelper
{
    static char[] HEX_CHARS = { 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 9
    private String SecretKey = "0123456789abcdef";
    private Cipher cipher;
    private String iv = "fedcba9876543210";
    private IvParameterSpec ivspec = new IvParameterSpec(this.iv.getBytes
    private SecretKeySpec keyspec = new SecretKeySpec(this.SecretKey.getB

    public AESHelper()
    {
        try
        {
            this.cipher = Cipher.getInstance("AES/CBC/NoPadding");
            return;
        }
        catch (NoSuchAlgorithmException localNoSuchAlgorithmException)
        {
            localNoSuchAlgorithmException.printStackTrace();
            return;
        }
    }
}

```

Figure 38: AESHelper

3.5.4 Task 4: Analysing Simplelocker

3.5.4.1 Task: Install Simplelocker

- **Disable Network connection on VM!!!**
- Go to Mobile Folder:
 - **cd /home/enisa/Desktop/Training-Material/Mobile_threats_IH/**
- Unzip Simple locker file:
 - **7z e Simplelocker.apk.zip**
 - **<ask for password in class>**
- Install using adb install or adb push
 - **adb install /home/enisa/Desktop/Training-Material/Mobile_threats_IH/Simplelocker.apk**

3.5.4.2 Task: Analyse Simplelocker

- Use apktool, analyse manifest
- Use dex2jar to create jar file
- Open jar file with jd-gui
 - **Challenge 1: What encryption algorithm is being used?**
AES/CBC/PKCS7Padding
 - **Challenge 2: What is the encryption key**
jndlasf074hr
 - **Challenge 3: What files types are being encrypted**
see constants class

3.5.4.3 Task: Remove Simplelocker

- Uninstall simplelocker using adb uninstall

- **adb uninstall org.simplelocker**

3.5.5 Task 5 (Optional): Analysing Other Artifacts

Under /home/enisa/Mobile_threats_IH you will find samples of apks (Apk.zip). Since some of the artifacts are still active, in order to analyse the network connections you may wish to use sandbox tools such as Anubis.

If you wish to run the applications locally, you should:

- use a segregated unprotected network, and devices that do not contain personal data (accounts, credentials, etc); or
 - use a dns and http server on the host, simulating the C&C servers (a possible approach could be to run the tool in a sandboxed malware analysis tool, check for network connections, and configure dns and http servers accordingly); or
- disable network connection (note that this may not always produce results, as the code may check for network connection prior to running its code)

3.5.5.1 Task: Flappy Bird

Analyse the code of both Flappy bird APKs. One of them is malware. Which one?

- Go to Mobile Folder:
 - **cd /home/enisa/Desktop/Training-Material/Mobile_threats_IH/**
- Unzip Simple locker file:
 - **unzip Apk.zip**
 - **<ask for password in class>**

3.5.5.2 Upload apk files to automated tools

- Anubis;
- Mobile Sandbox;
- Joe sandbox mobile;
- Others.

3.5.6 Questions

No.	Question	Answer
1	List any suspicious permissions that are being acquired	
2	Can you identify any background app components (Services/Broadcast Receivers)?	

3	Can you identify the initial/starting activity?	
4	Do you notice any suspicious network connections initiated by the application?	
5	From the code, can you see any suspicious Functions?	
6	If so, can you link these functions to the permissions and/or suspicious network connections?	
7	List any other useful information (eg: encryption keys, data being saved to database, etc.)	
8	What is the main purpose of this artefact?	

4 Summary of the exercise

The summary should contain the following information. Possible issues when using the emulator for malware analysis:

- detection of the emulated environment by the malware³¹;
- infection of the host system by the malware;
- infection of third party systems when running the virtual environment networked;
- investigating cellular radio behaviour.
- Possible issues when analysing malware in native Android hardware:
 - infection of third party systems;
 - malware might only be detectable if the device is networked;
 - building a secure and safe test environment.
- Examine the information in the table and the incident analysis logs/reports.
- Discussion of the experiences made during the exercise.
- Mobile device management (MDM) features.

³¹ *Detecting Android Sandboxes*
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