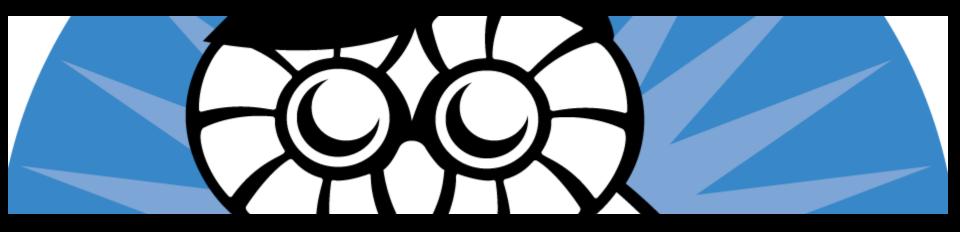
Reversing Java (Malware) with Radare

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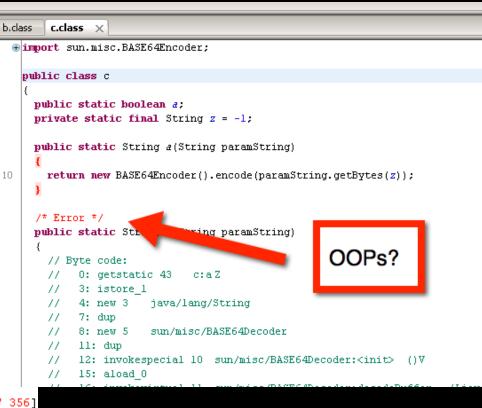
Typical Java Reversing Talk

- Decompile Code
- Make Changes
- Recompile and Win?

Java Malware: Fail!

Has this happened to you?

{ char[] What?!? tmp357_356	
<pre>case 0: tmpTernaryOp = 57; b; ak; case 1: tmpTernaryOp = 83; b; sak;</pre>	
<pre>case 2: tmpTernaryOp = 44; eak; case 3: tmpTernaryOp = 38 tmp357_355[tmp357_356] = ((char)(tmp357_355[tmp357_3 } while (// INTERNAL ERROR //</pre>	356

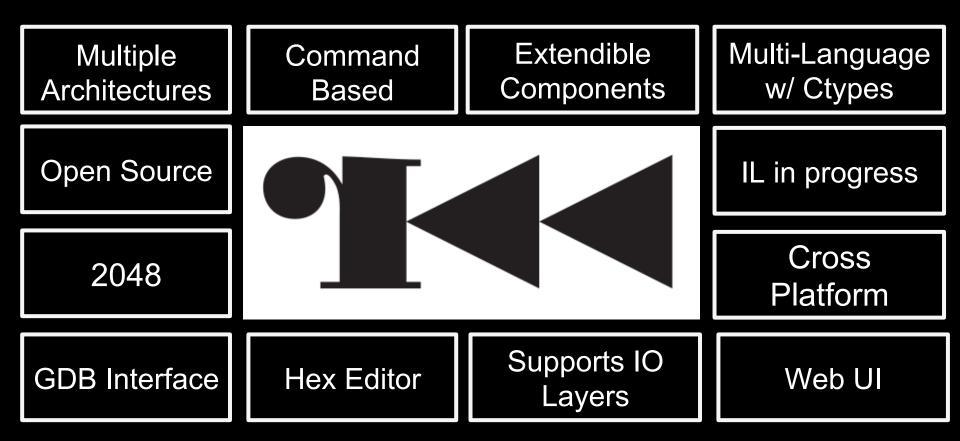


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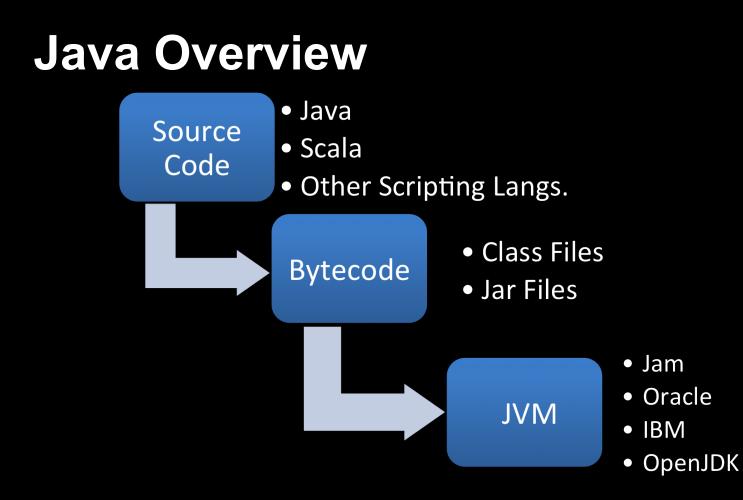
- Malicious code analysis is hard
- Relevant information is key
- Tools assume code is complete or correct

- Reversing JVM Bytecode viewed as a "simple" problem
 Ontil you need to actually do it
 Or you need to extract some type of information
- Too Long Didn't Listen (tldl;)
 - Radare now supports basic class file manipulations
 - Hooking by rewriting class and method names
 - Manipulation of Access Flags
 - Inserting values in constant pool
 - More detailed inspection of files



Agenda

- Discuss Java Class File and Format
- Discuss Java Malware and Obfuscation
- Introduce Java Reversing with Radare
- Discuss Some Techniques
- Conclude with Future Work



JVM Bytecode

- ~203 Operations
- Fairly easy to disassemble
 - Except for the built in "switch-tables"
- JVM is Stack Based
- Local Variables are stored in a local variable position

JVM Bytecode

- Caller copy the entire thread stack to caller
- JVM resolves Class Name, Method Name, and argument types
- Types are not important until they are important

Java Malware Obfuscation

Static Obfuscation Techniques

Dynamic Techniques

Java Malware via Static Obfuscation

- Flatten Classes and Package Hierarchy
- Homogenous type signatures
- Make class names uninterpretable
- Exploit compiler features
- Dead code
- Local variable Type overloading
- Hiding strings or files in strange places

Java Malware via Dynamic Obfuscation

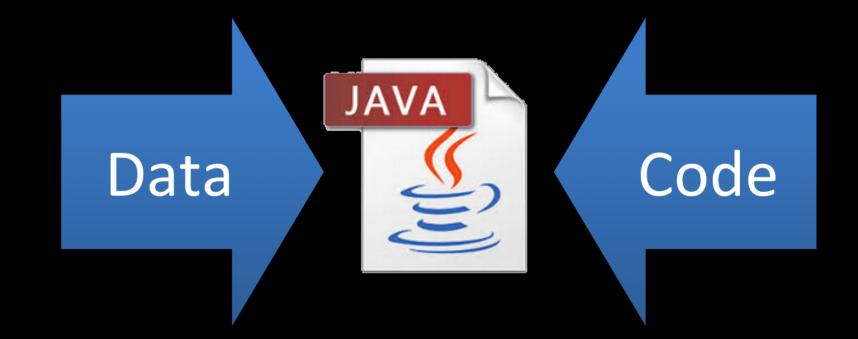
- Reflection or Custom Class loaders
- Starting a new process
- Scripting Engine
- String Manipulation
- Encryptions

Java Malware Reversing

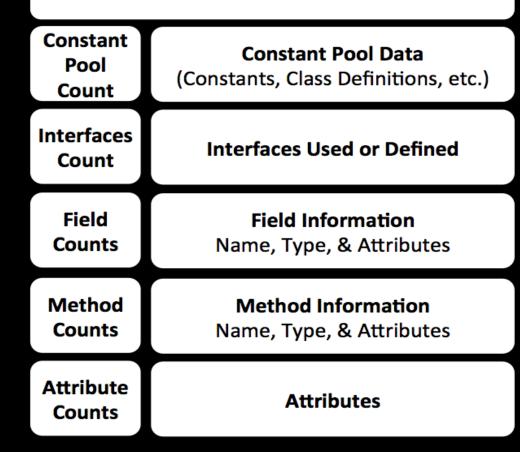
- Not easily decompilable (if at all)
- No standard tools for inspections
- Modification is tedious to do by hand

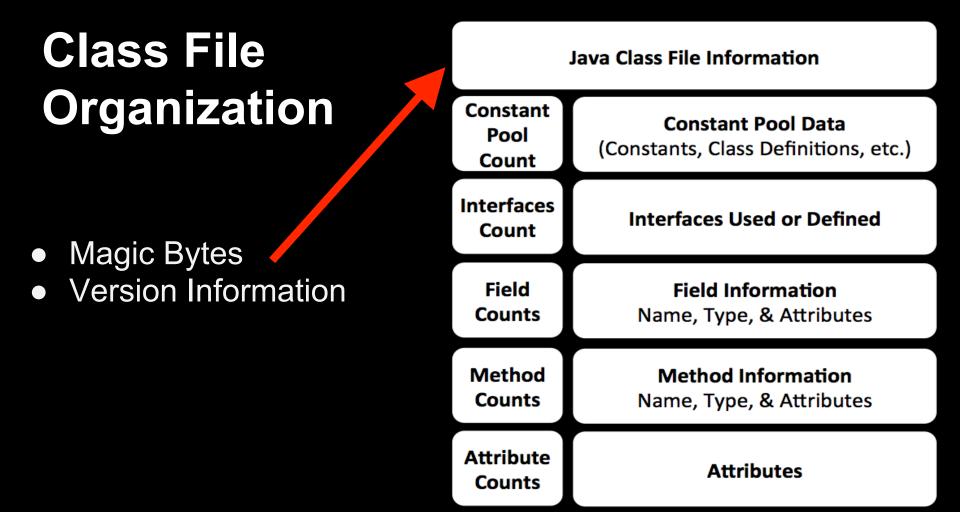
What Radare can do with Java?

- Basic hooking of class methods
- Change constant pool Values
- Modify method and field access flags
- Disassemble code
- Load classes from strings
- Open the JAR and view all the files
- Yank a file to disk or insert it in the JAR



Java Class File Information

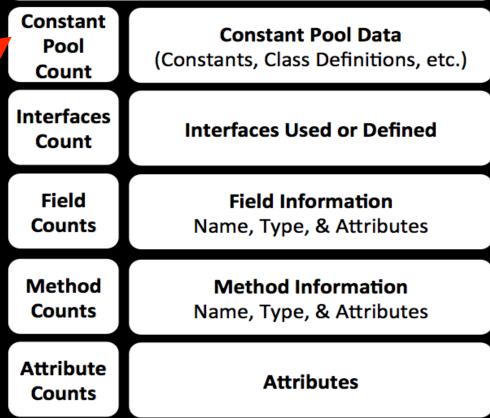




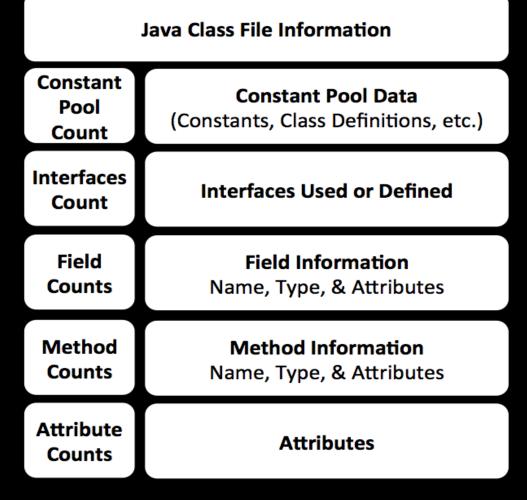
Class File Organization Constant Values • Long, Integers Float, Doubles \bigcirc Strings \bigcirc **Class Definitions**

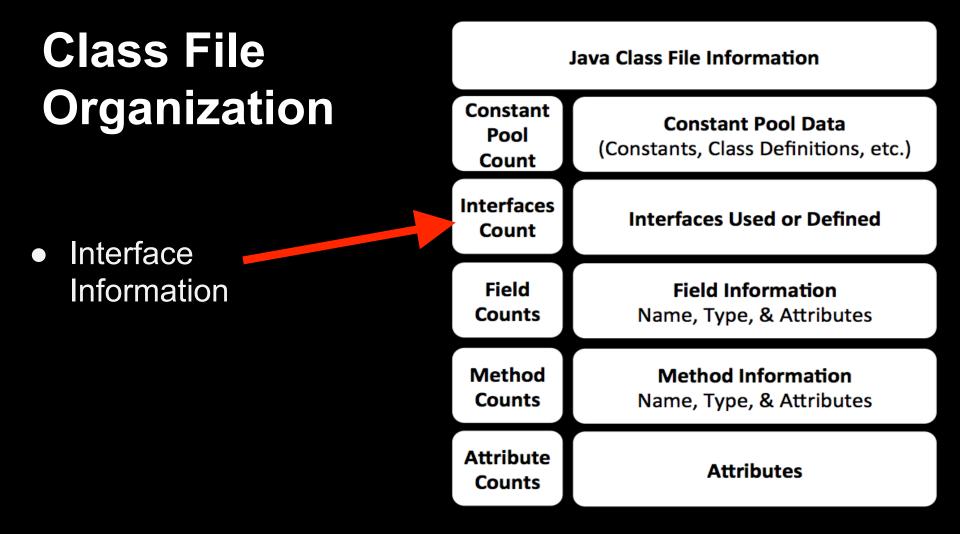
- Field Definitions
- Method Definitions

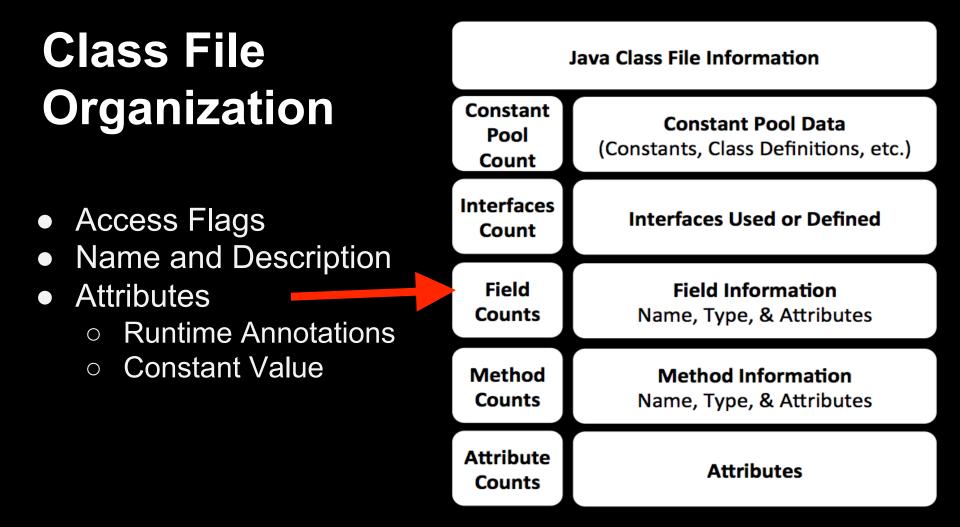
Java Class File Information



- Omitted, but worth Mentioning
- Class Definition
- Super Class Info

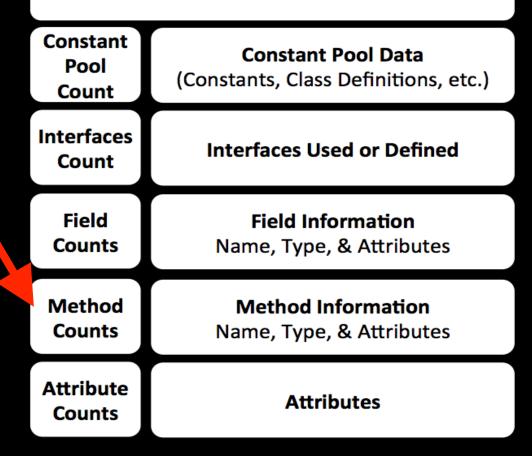






- Access Flags
- Name and Description
- Attributes
 - Runtime Annotations
 - Code & Exceptions
 - Stack Map Table
 - Local Variable Tables
 - Inner Classes

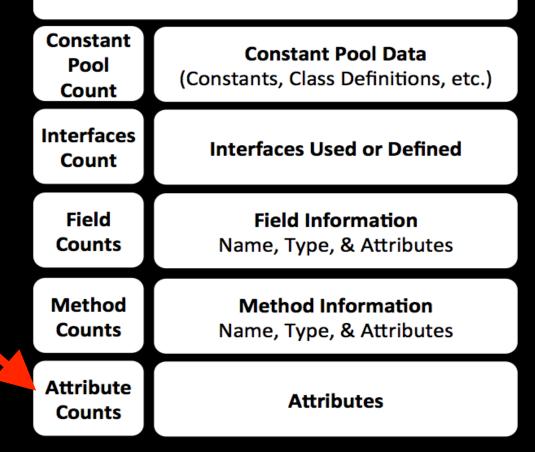
Java Class File Information



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- Class File Attributes
 - Runtime Annotations
 - \circ Source File
 - \circ User defined
 - 0

Java Class File Information



Hooking Java Methods

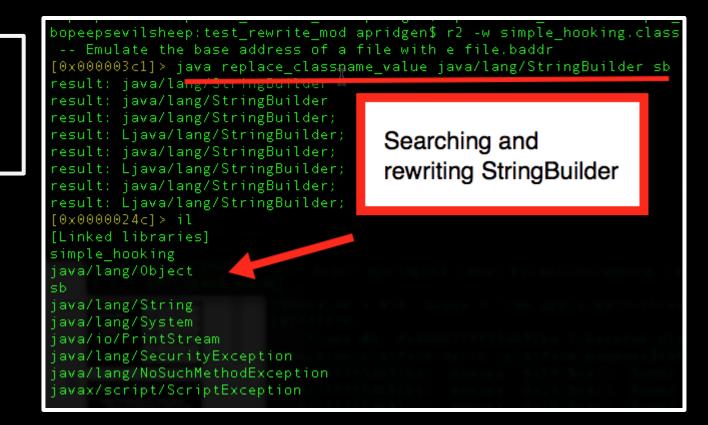
- Easiest all references to a class
 - Write an implementation that wraps the target class
 - \circ Rewrite all of the strings
 - Modify access flags
 - \circ Put the class in the class path
 - \circ Run the JAR File

Swap StringBuilder with sb class

<pre>bopeepsevilsheep:test_rewrite_mod ap</pre>	ridgen\$ r2 simple_hooking.class
duck my sick!	
[0x000003c1]> af	
[0x000003c1]> ii	
[Imports]	· · ··································
	<pre>type=METHOD classname=java/lang/Object name=<i classname="java/lang/Object" name="</pre" type="METHOD"></i></pre>
	<pre>type=METHOD classname=java/lang/StringBuilder</pre>
	type=METHOD classname=java/lang/StringBuilder
	<pre>type=METHOD classname=java/lang/StringBuilder</pre>
	type=METHOD classname=java/lang/String name=va
	type=METHOD classname=java/lang/Str gBuilder
	type=METHOD classname=java/lang/St_ingBuilder
	type=INTERFACE_METHOD_classname=j_va/lang/Syst
	type=METHOD classname=java/io/ProntStream name
ordinal=073 plt=0x00000000 bind=NONE	<pre>type=METHOD classname=simple_horking name=dosc</pre>
10 imports	
[0×000003⊂1]> il	Note the use of
[Linked libraries]	Note the use of
simple_hooking	StringBuilder
java/lang/Object	Canigbandon
java/lang/StringBuilder	
java/lang/String	
java/lang/System	
java/io/PrintStream	
java/lang/SecurityException	

java/lang/SecurityException java/lang/NoSuchMethodException javax/script/ScriptException

Swap StringBuilder with sb class



[0x0000024c]> ii [Imports] ordinal=008 plt=0x00000000	bind=NONE type=METH(classname=java/lang/Object name= <init> descriptor=</init>
Swap StringBuilder with sb class	bind=NONE type=METH(bind=NONE type=METH(bind=NONE type=METH(bind=NONE type=METH(bind=NONE type=METH(bind=NONE type=INTEF bind=NONE type=METH(bind=NONE type=METH(<pre>classname=sb name=append descriptor=(Ljava/lang/St classname=sb name=append descriptor=(I)Lsb; classname=java/lang/String name=valueOf descriptor classname=sb name=<init> descriptor=(Ljava/lang/St classname=sb name=toString descriptor=()Ljava/lang ACE_METHOD classname=java/lang/System name=out desc classname=java/io/PrintStream name=println descrip</init></pre>

ClassNotFound exception: 1

[0x0000024c]> q bopeepsevilsheep:test rewrite mod apridgen\$ java simple hooking Exception in thread "main" java.lang.NoClassDefFoundError: sb at simple hooking.dosomething(simple hooking.java:7) at simple hooking.main(simple hooking.java:19) Caused by: java.lang.ClassNotFoundException: sb at java.net.URLClassLoader\$1.run(URLClassLoader.java:202) at java.security.AccessController.doPrivileged(Native Method) at java.net.URLClassLoader.findClass(URLClassLoader.java:190) at java.lang.ClassLoader.loadClass(ClassLoader#java:306) at sun.misc.Launcher\$AppClassLoader.loadClass(Launcher.java:301) at java.lang.ClassLoader.loadClass(ClassLoader.java:247) ... 2 more

ClassNotFound exception: 2.

bopeepsevilsheep:test rewrite mod apridgen\$ cp ../sb.class . bopeepsevilsheep:test_rewrite_mod apridgen\$ java simple_hooking Exception in thread "main" java.lang.NoClassDefFoundError: s_ at sb.log(sb.java:20) at sb.append(sb.java:79) at simple hooking.dosomething(simple hooking.java:8) at simple hooking.main(simple hooking.java:19) Caused by: java.lang.ClassNotFoundException: s at java.net.URLClassLoader\$1.run(URLClassLoader.java:202) at java.security.AccessController.doPrivileged(Native Method) at java.net.URLClassLoader.findClass(URLClassLoader.java:190) at java.lang.ClassLoader.loadClass(ClassLoader.java:306) at sun.misc.Launcher\$AppClassLoader.loadClass(Launcher.java:301) at java.lang.ClassLoader.loadClass(ClassLoader.java:247) ... 4 more popeepsevilsheep:test rewrite mod apridgen\$ cp ../s .class .

Copy classes to path and it works.

```
bopeepsevilsheep.test_rewrite_mod apridgeng cp .../s .
bopeepsevilsheep:test_rewrite_mod apridgeng java simple_hooking
s_ calling appendHello
s_ calling appendI am a
s_ calling appendString.
s_ calling toString
s_ calling appendHello I am a 100String.
S_ calling toString
Darn tootin. Hello I am a 100String.
```

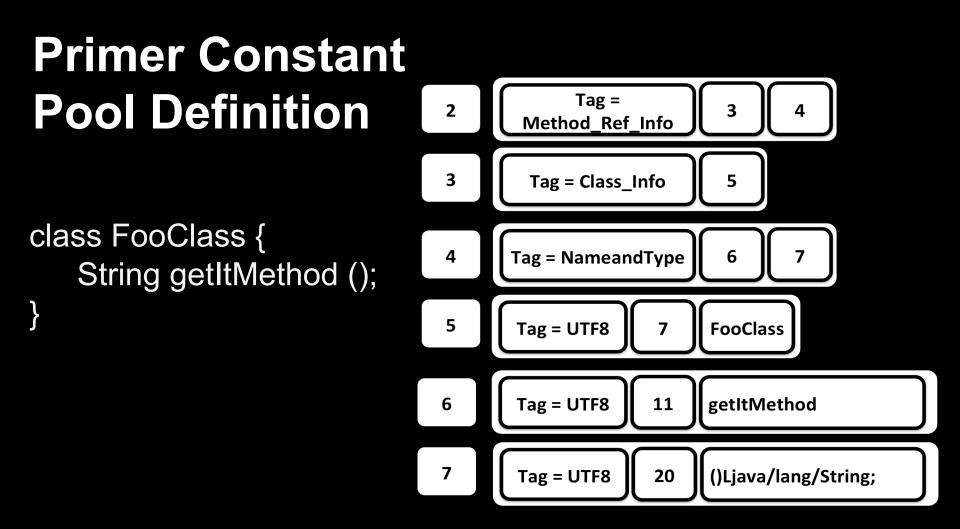
Wrapper classes

- sb.java
- ▼ 😥 sb ●^S log() : void
 - Slog(String) : void
 - ▲ thisSb
 - 🗳 sb()
 - 💣 sb(CharSequence)
 - 💣 sb(int)
 - ^C sb(String)
 - append(boolean) : sb
 - append(char) : sb
 - 🔊 append(char[]) : sb
 - append(char[], int, int) : sb
 - append(CharSequence) : sb
 - append(CharSequence, int, int) : sb
 - append(double) : sb

🔊 s_.java o^S theString copyValueOf(char[]) : String CopyValueOf(char[], int, int) : String 6 format(Locale, String, Object...) : String ^S format(String, Object...) : String Slog() : void Solution valueOf(boolean) : String ^S valueOf(char) : String valueOf(char[]) : String valueOf(char[], int, int) : String valueOf(double) : String valueOf(float) : String 🔊 valueOf(int) : String valueOf(long) : String valueOf(Object) : String 🗳 s_0

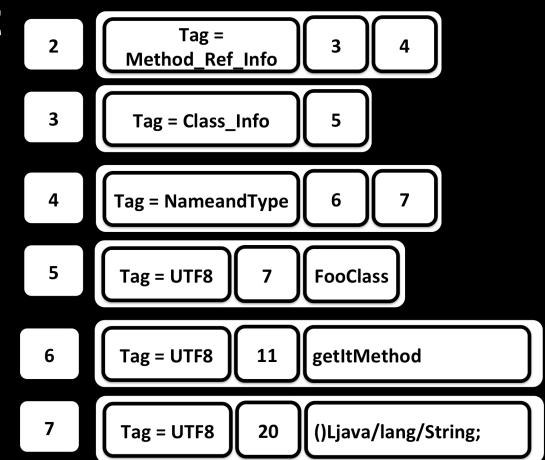
Hooking Java Methods +1 Complexity

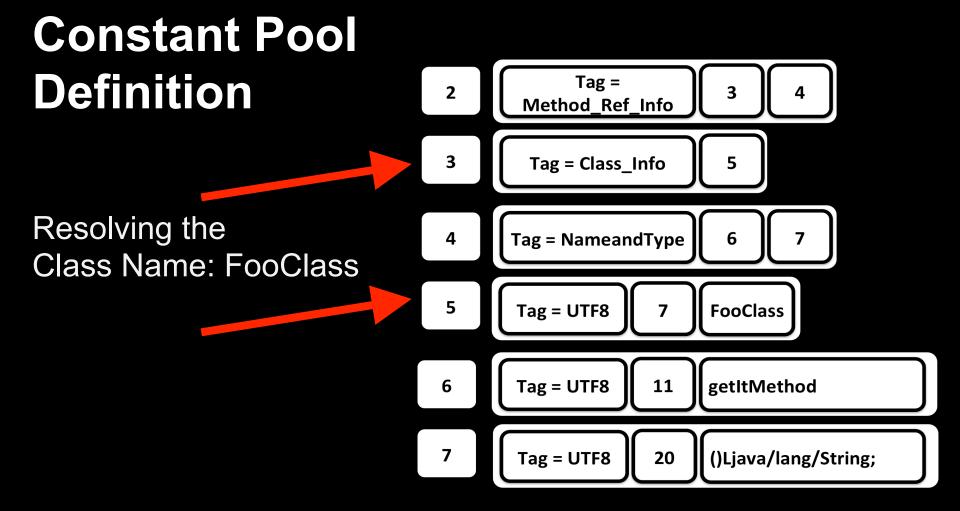
- Insert CP Objects
 - $_{\odot}$ Append the CP Objects to define the new class
 - $_{\odot}$ Class Info, Method Info, and Descriptor Info
 - Update the CP Object Counts
 - Modify code section and update the reference
 - \circ Put the class in the class path
 - \circ Run the JAR File

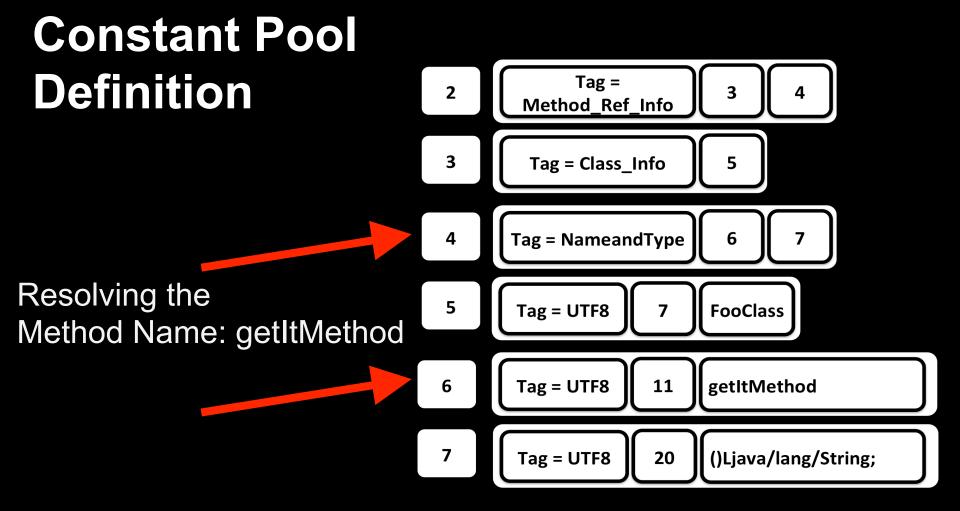


Primer Constant Pool Definition

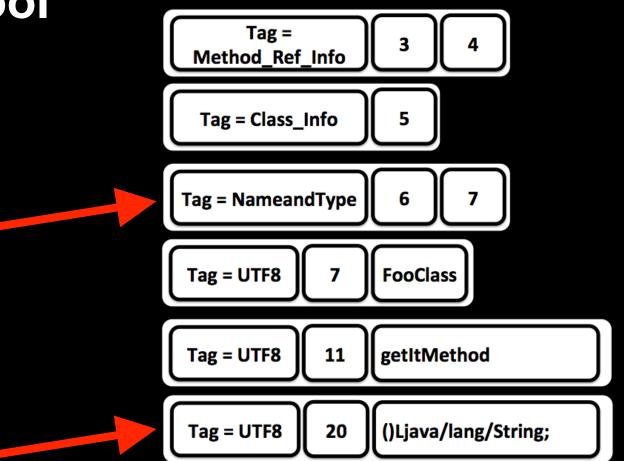
Assume tag idx = 2







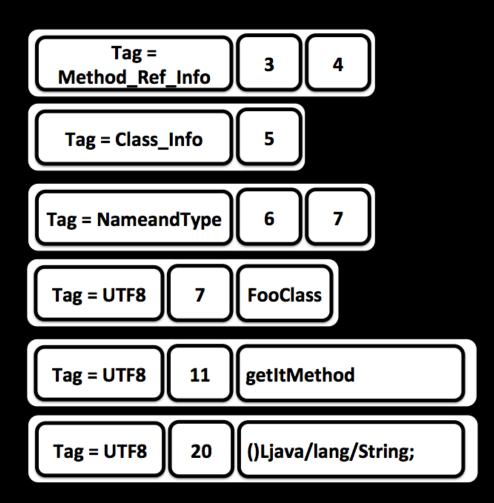
Constant Pool Definition



Resolving the Method Type: ()Ljava/lang/String;

Constant Pool Definition

class FooClass {
 String getItMethod ();



Hooking Java Methods ++1 Complexity

- Direct code insertion
 - Extend the code section attribute
 - Update attribute size
 - $_{\odot}$ Modify code section and insert the code
 - $_{\odot}$ Update the exception handling table

Target Java Function: exploitAnnotations

Insight is good, note the flag values.

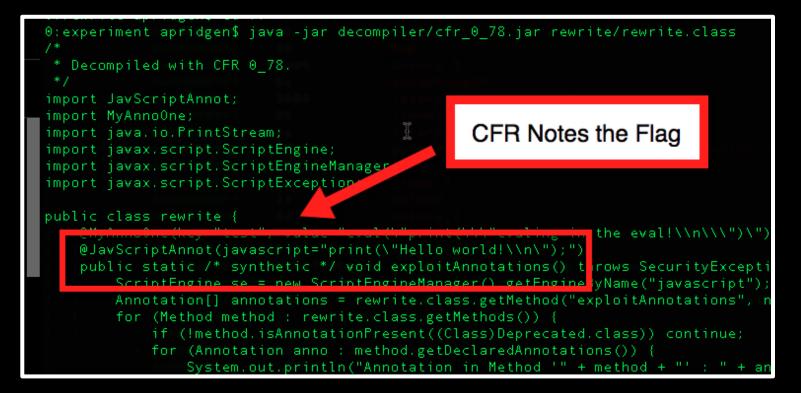
[0x0000093d]> java m info c 0 ≺init≻ exploitAnnotations dosomething main [0x0000093d]> java m info s 1 Method Summary Information: File offset: 0x000008fa Access Flags: 9 Name Index: 14 (exploitAnnotations) Descriptor Index: 6 (()V) Access Flags: 0x09 (public static) Method Attributes Count: 3 Method Attributes: Exceptions Attribute information: Attribute Offset: 0x00000902 🎎 Attribute Name Index: 15 (Exceptions) Attribute length: 8 Exceptions Attribute Index[0]: 16 Exceptions Attribute Index[1]: 18 Exceptions Attribute Index[2]: 20

Apply some Radare Magic Sauce

```
[0x0000093d] > java flags_str_at m 0x8fa
Method Access Flags String: public static
[0x0000093d] > java calc_flags m static synthetic public
Access Value for static synthetic public = 0x1009
[0x0000093d] > s 0x8fa
[0x000008fa] > p8 2
0009
[0x000008fa] > java set_flags 0x8fa m static public synthetic
[0x000008fa] > p8 2
1009
[0x000008fa] > p8 2
```

Here is what JD-Gui shows.

rewrite.class X					
🛞 import java.io.PrintStream;					
public class rewrite					
	static void dosomething(int a)				
	{				
50	<pre>StringBuilder sv = new StringBuilder();</pre>				
51	<pre>sv.append("Hello ");</pre>				
52	<pre>sv.append("I am a ");</pre>				
53	sv.append(a);	ovploitAnnotationa			
54	<pre>sv.append("String. ");</pre>	exploitAnnotations			
55	String X = "Darn tootin. ";	went missing.			
57	X = X + sv.toString();	work mooning.			
58	System.out.println(X);				
	}				
	,				
	<pre>public static void main(String[]</pre>	args)			
	throws SecurityException, NoSuchMethodException, ScriptException				
	{				
62	dosomething(100);				
63	exploitAnnotations();				
	}				
	}				



List Files: zip://zip_file.whatevs Access Files with: ::[index] or //path/

0:talk_stuff apridgen\$ r2 zip://20fd2eec34cd1856a0c9e735d1914bf97d13162a869649afbcf5df3450a23b4c.jar Files in archive 0 c.dat 1 META-INF/MANIFEST.MF 2 jcrypt/ 3 jcrypt/Decrypter.class 4 jcrypt/EncryptedClassLoader.class 5 jar.dat 6 enc.dat 7 key.dat

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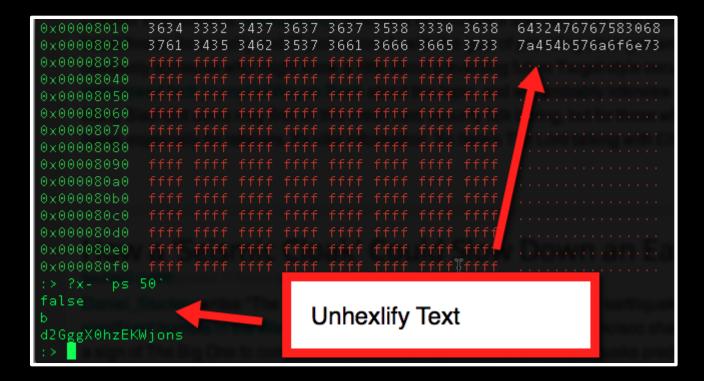
Segmentation fault: 11
0:talk_stuff apridgen\$ r2 zip://20fd2eec34cd1856a0c9e735d1914bf97d13162a869649afbcf5df3450a23b4c.jar::3
 -- Calculate checksums for the current block with the commands starting with '#' (#md5, #crc32, #all, ..)
[0x00000df6]> q
Segmentation fault: 11
0:talk_stuff apridgen\$ r2 zip://20fd2eec34cd1856a0c9e735d1914bf97d13162a869649afbcf5df3450a23b4c.jar//jcrypt/
 -- Switch between print modes using the 'p' and 'P' keys in visual mode
[0x00000df6]> q
Segmentation fault: 11
0:talk_stuff apridgen\$ [

Loading /c.dat from the archive, whats that?

[0x00000df6]> s sym.jcrypt_Decrypter.	mouse and us from a busical case frequence or coulder place.
sym.jcrypt_Decrypter.main	sym.jcrypt_Decrypter.mmeta_main
<pre>sym.jcrypt_Decrypter.getClassName</pre>	sym.jcrypt_Decrypter.mmeta_getClassNamesym.je
<pre>sym.jcrypt_Decrypter.mmeta_readString</pre>	sym.jcrypt_Decrypter.decode sym.jc
sym.jcrypt_Decrypter.toDigit	<pre>sym.jcrypt_Decrypter.mmeta_toDigit sym.j</pre>
<pre>sym.jcrypt_Decrypter.mmeta_fromInputStread</pre>	am sym.jcrypti_Decrypter.ENCRYPTED_ARCHIVE sym.j
<pre>sym.jcrypt_Decrypter.EXCLUDE</pre>	sym.jcrypt_Decrypter.DEFAULT_KEY
<pre>[0x00000df6] > s sym.jcrypt_Decrypter.main</pre>	1
[0x00000e3d]> pdf	
/ (fcn) sym.jcrypt_Decrypter.main 227	
0x00000e3d 1201 ld	: jcrypt/Decrypter
	: "/c.dat"
0x00000e41 b60021 in	<pre>vokevirtual java/lang/Class/getResourceAsStream(Ljava/la)</pre>
0x00000000(0x0, 0x0) ; sec	tion.constant_pool
0x00000e44 b80027 in	<pre>rokestatic jcrypt/Decrypter/readString(Ljava/io/InputSt</pre>
0x00000000() ; section.com	
0x00000e47 b8002b im	<pre>vokestatic jcrypt/Decrypter/decode(Ljava/lang/String;)L;</pre>
<pre> 0x00000000() ; section.com</pre>	
0x00000e4a b6002f in	<pre>vokevirtual java/lang/String/trim()Ljava/lang/String;</pre>
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Loading /c.dat from the archive, whats that?

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Extracting the Encrypted JAR File

0:talk_stuff apridgen\$ r2 -w enc_jar.jar -- Set colors to your screen with 'e scr.color=true' [0x00000000] > yfa zip://20fd2eec34cd1856a0c9e735d1914bf97d13162a869649afbcf5df3450a23b4c.jar::5 [0x00000000] > yy [0x00000000] > p8 10 a2633402168867052125 [0x00000000] > Open file to extract to, yank data (yfa) from file and paste it to the file.

In [1]: key = 'd2GggX0hzEKWjons'

In [2]: from Crypto.Cipher import AES

```
In [3]: cipher = AES hew (key)
```

```
In [4]: open('dec_jar.jar', 'wb').write (
    ...: cipher.decrypt(open('en
```

%env

cipher.decrypt(open('en
enc_jar.jar enumerate
 cipher.decrypt(open('enc_jar.jar', 'rb').read()))

Decrypt the JAR file with the key with Python.

In [5]:

0:talk_stuff apridgen\$ r2 zip://dec_jar.jar				
Files in archive 0 META-INF/MANIFEST.MF 1 a.class 2 b.class 3 c.class	Check out the classes with radare			
Cannot open 'zip://dec_jar.jar'				

0:talk_stuff apridgen\$ r2 zip://dec_jar.jar Files in archive 0 META-INF/MANIFEST.MF 1 a.class 2 b.class 3 c.class Cannot open 'zip://dec_jar.jar'

[0x0000004da]> java prototypes a import java.lang.Enum; import java.lang.String; import java.lang.System; import a; import c; import java.lang.NumberFormatException; import [Ljava.lang.String;; import [C;

class a { // @0x0000

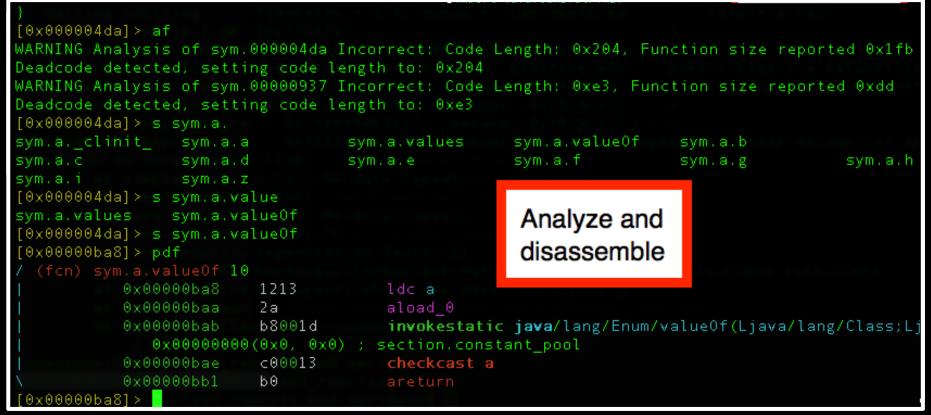
// Fields defined in the class
public static final a a; // @0x0472
public static final a b; // @0x047a
public static final a c; // @0x0482
public static final a d; // @0x048a
public static final a e; // @0x0492
public static final a f; // @0x049a
public static final a g; // @0x04a2
private static final synthetic a; h; // @0x04aa
public static int i; // @0x04b2
private static final java.lang.String; z; // @0x04ba

Dumping the

Java Prototypes

// Methods defined in the class
static void <clinit>(); // @0x04c4
private void <init>(java.lang.String, int); // @0x08f4
public static a a(java.lang.String); // @0x0921
public static a a(); // @0x0b23
public static a; values(); // @0x0b56
public static a value0f(java.lang.String); // @0x0b92

java prototypes a java.lang.Enum;



a type is an Enum, created from the string this.a.z

0×00000632	bb0013	new a
0x00000635	59	dup
0×00000636	b20082	<pre>getstatic a/z [Ljava/lang/String;</pre>
0x00000639	1008	bipush 8
0x0000063b	32	aaload
0x0000063c	03	iconst_0
0×0000063d	b70023	<pre>invokespecial a/<init>(Ljava/lang/String;I)V</init></pre>
0×00000000)(0×0, 0×0,	0x0, 0x0) ; section.constant_pool
0×00000640	b30014	putstatic a/a La;
0,00000643	550013	DAM 2

Using CFR Decompiler

CFR Decompiler to extract Java code

Problems with the Exception table? [=] Lets dump it

```
private a(String string22, int string22) {
    super(string, n);
 * Unable to fully structure code
  Enabled aggressive block sorting
 * Enabled unnecessary exception pruning
public static a a(String var0) {
   var2 1 = c.a;
    var0 = var0.toLowerCase();
    v0 = var0.equalsIgnoreCase(a.z[4]);
    if (!var2 1) {
       if (v0)
            var1 2 = a.a:
            if (var2 1 == false) return var1 2;
            var3 3 = a.i;
            a.i = ++var3 3;
        v0 = var0.equalsIgnoreCase(a.z[6]);
    if (!var2 1)
        if (v0)
            var102 = a.b;
            if (var2 1 == false) return var1 2;
        v0 = var0.contains((CharSequence)a.z[3]);
```

CFR Decompiler Augmentation

Use prototypes: 'java prototypes a'

Use exc: 'java exc 0x937' // Methods defined in the class
static void <clinit>(); // @0x04c4
private void <init>(java.lang.String, int); // @0x08f4
public static a a(java.lang.String); // @0x0921
public static a a(); // @0x0b23
public static a; values(); // @0x0b56
public static a value0f(java.lang.String); // @0x0b92

[0x000004da] > s 0x937 [0x00000937] > java exc 0x937 Exception table for a (11 entries) @ 0x937: Catch Type: 115, java/lang/NumberFormatException @ 0xa22 Start PC: (0xc1) 0x9f8 @ 0xa1c End PC: (0xce) 0xa05 0xa1e Handler PC: (0xd1) 0xa08 0xa20 Catch Type: 115, java/lang/NumberFormatException @ 0xa2a Start PC: (0xb2) 0x9e9 @ 0xa24 End PC: (0xb2) 0x9f0 0xa26 Handler PC: (0xbc) 0x9f3 0xa28 Catch Type: 115, java/lang/NumberFormatException @ 0xa32

Future Work

- Enable some more static conveniences
- Tie into a JVM for run-time information
- Enable code instrumentation via Code Attribute
- Look at reversing *native* code with JVM code
- Move on to other managed code implementations

Conclusion

- Discussed some basic constructs in Java classfile
- Introduced improvements to Radare
- Talked about how an analyst could use them

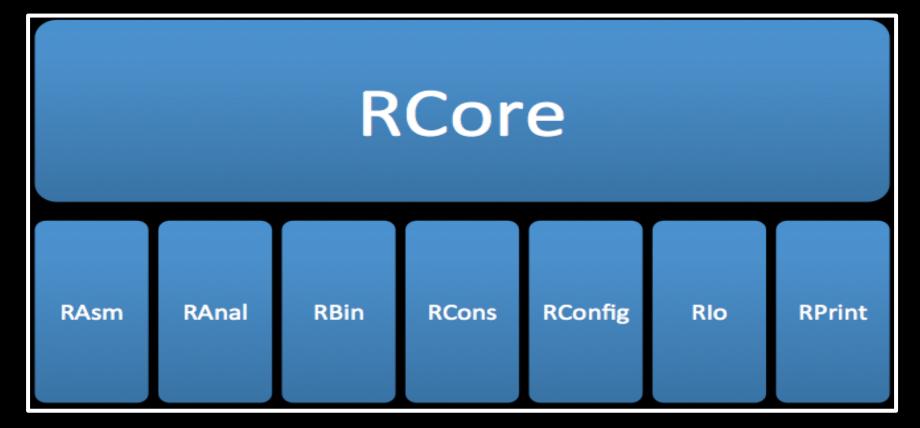
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Java Reversing Tools

Radare Architecture



Recent Additions to Radare

- Testing Framework
- Gameboy Reversing and Emulation
- Java Support
- Loading/reloading binaries from buffer
- Extending (inserting bytes in the middle)
- Opening multiple files
- Zip URI support