

# Surreptitious Software

## Exercise

Attacks

### Executable Information

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#### Introduction

player1 is a digital rights management program. You call it like this:

> player1 userkey sample1 sample2 sample3

where userkey is a 32-bit cryptographic key and the samples are integers that you want to "play". In actuality, all that happens is that decode samples are written to the file audio. Example:

> player1 0xca7ca115 10000 20000 30000 60000
Please enter activation code: 42
> cat audio
3133074688.000000
3133047808.000000
3133062912.000000
3133022208.000000

Figure 1 shows a block diagram of the DRM player. Figure 2 shows the actual C code.



Figure 1: Block diagram of the player.

```
typedef unsigned int uint32;
typedef char* caddr_t;
typedef uint32* waddr_t;
uint32 the_player_key = 0xbabeca75;
FILE* audio;
uint32 play(uint32 user_key, uint32 encrypted_media[], int media_len) {
   int code;
   int i;
   for(i=0;i<media_len;i++) {</pre>
      uint32 key = user_key ^ the_player_key;
uint32 decrypted = key ^ encrypted_media[i];
      if (time(0) > 1221011472) {
         fprintf(stderr,"%s!\n", "Program expired!");
          *((int*)NULL)=99;
      }
      float decoded = (float)decrypted;
      fprintf(audio,"%f\n",decoded); fflush(audio);
   }
}
uint32 player_main (uint32 argc, char *argv[]) {
   uint32 user_key = atoi(argv[1]);
   int i;
   uint32 encrypted_media[100];
   for(i=2; i<argc; i++)</pre>
      encrypted_media[i-2] = atoi(argv[i]);
   int media_len = argc-2;
   play(user_key, encrypted_media, media_len);
}
int main (uint32 argc, char *argv[]) {
   printf("This is player1. Usage: player1 0xca7ca115 10000 20000 30000 60000\n");
   audio = fopen("audio", "w");
   player_main(argc,argv);
   return 0;
}
```

Figure 2: The code.

#### Prerequisites

Before working the exercise make sure you download, install, and build the following:

1. Install the following tools:

tool	url	Linux	MacOS X	Windows
$\mathbf{gdb}$	ftp.gnu.org/gnu/gdb/	🕂 gdb		
gcc		🕂 gcc		
		build-essent	ial	
objdump	www.gnu.org/software/	🖈 binutils		
	binutils			

- 2. Download program and data files:
  - (a) wget 'http://www.cs.arizona.edu/~collberg/tmp/ssx.zip'
  - (b) unzip ssx.zip

- $(c)\ {\tt cd}\ {\tt ssx/attack-defense\_attack0}$
- 3. Build the player1 executable which you will be working on from now on:
  - > make

## Find information about the program!

1. Use the file command to find out what kind of executable we're dealing with



2. Use objdump to find the program's entrypoint.

3. Use objdump to find the beginning of the text segment.

4. Use objdump to find the beginning of the *read-only* data segments.

5. Use objdump to find out which symbols the executable has defined.