

# Survey On Android Malware Detection

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## ABSTRACT

In this paper we present Permission as well as String Based Anomaly Detection System for detecting Meaningful deviation in a mobile application's network behavior. The main goal of Proposed system is to protect mobile device users and avoid uncertainty of users. Identification of republished popular applications injected with a malicious code (i.e., repackaging). More specifically, we attempt to detect a new type of mobile malware with self-updating capabilities that were recently found on the official Google Android Marketplace.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Nowadays Smartphone's become exploring for personal or business use. There will be an estimated 1.368 Billion of smartphones shipped globally 2015, growing 14.6% on year, according to Digitimes Research. This number increased 20% over the last year. Meantime, smartphone platforms have seen a massive surge in malwares.

As the official application (or app) market, Google's Play store provides a platform of delivering apps for Android smartphones and mobile devices. There are many third-party app markets providing similar platforms. App developers publish their apps on the Google's play or on the third-party app markets, where end users download and install their interested apps on their Android smart phones. Obviously, how detect and keep the large number of malware out of the application (or app) markets is an emerging, crucial, but challenging issue.

## II. RELATED WORK

There has been significant work on problem of detecting malware on mobile devices. Several approaches of monitor the power usage of applications, and report anomalous consumption. Others monitor system calls and attempt to detect which unusual system call patterns. Other approaches use more traditional comparison with known malwares, or other heuristics. The more general field of malware detection is host to the wider range of approaches. In Sahs et al.[1] traditional static analysis of approaches such as, which focus on comparing programs to known malware based on the program code, looking for the signatures or using other heuristics. Other approaches are focus on using machine learning and data mining approaches for malware detection. Train a neural network to detect boot sector viruses, based on byte string trigrams. Compare three machine learning algorithms trained on three features: DLL and system calls made by the program, strings found in the program binary, and a raw hexadecimal representation of the binary.

In Cen et al. [3] the paradigm for program distribution on these mobile devices also differs from that of

the traditional PCs. Many developers are releasing applications to one or a few central application markets. While there are third party application stores, currently all popular mobile device platforms have central application stores as the primary mechanism of application distribution.

Crowdroid is a machine learning-based framework that recognizes Trojan-like malware on Android smartphones, by analyzing the number of times each system call has been issued by an application during the execution of an action that requires user interaction. A genuine application differs from its trojanized version, since it issues different types and a different number of system calls. Crowdroid builds a vector of  $m$  features (the Android system calls). Another IDS that relies on machine learning techniques is Andromaly which monitors both the smartphone and user's behaviors by observing several parameters, spanning from sensors activities to CPU usage. 88 features are used to describe these behaviors; the features are then pre-processed by feature selection algorithms. The authors developed four malicious applications to evaluate the ability to detect anomalies. MADAM: a Multi-Level Anomaly Detector for Android Malware uses 13 features to detect android malware for both kernel level and user level. MADAM has been tested on real malware found in the wild and uses a global-monitoring approach that is able to detect malware contained in unknown applications, i.e. not previously classified Aung et al. [4].

### III. EXISTING SYSTEM

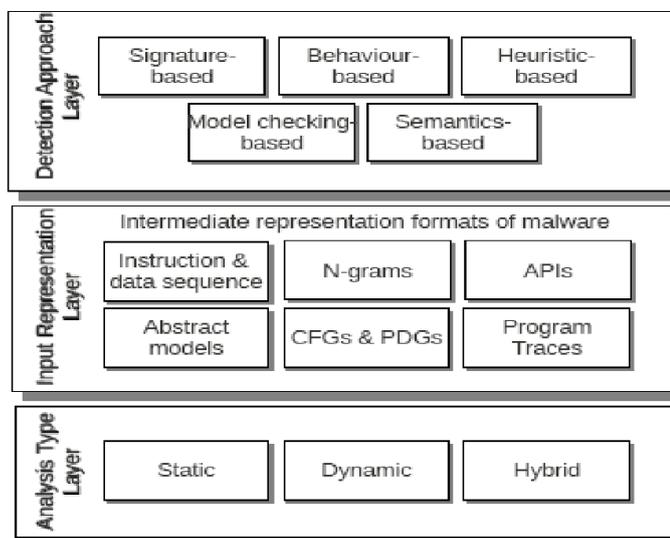


Fig. Architecture

### IV. MALWARE CHARACTERIZATION

In this section, we present a systematic characterization of existing Android malware, ranging from their installation, activation, to the carried malicious payloads.

#### A. Malware Installation

By manually analyzing malware samples in our collection, we categorize existing ways Android malware use to install onto user phones and generalize them into

three main social engineering-based techniques, i.e., *repackaging*, *update attack*, and *drive-by download*. These techniques are not mutually exclusive as different variants of the same type may use different techniques to entice users for downloading.

#### 1) Repackaging

Repackaging is one of the most common techniques malware authors use to piggyback malicious payloads into popular applications (or simply apps). In essence, malware authors may locate and download popular apps, disassemble them, enclose malicious payloads, and then re-assemble and submit the new apps to official and/or alternative Android Markets. Users could be vulnerable by being enticed to download and install these infected apps. To quantify the use of repackaging technique among our collection, we take the following approach: if a sample shares the same package name with an app in the official Android Market, we then download the official app (if free) and manually compare the difference, which typically contains the malicious payload added by malware authors. If the original app is not available, we choose to disassemble the malware sample and manually determine whether the malicious payload is a natural part of the main functionality of the host app. If not, it is considered as repackaged app.

#### 2) Update Attack

The first technique typically piggybacks the entire malicious payloads into host apps, which could potentially expose their presence. The second technique makes it difficult for detection. Specifically, it may still repackage popular apps. But instead of enclosing the payload as a whole, it only includes an update component that will fetch or download the malicious payloads at runtime. As a result, a static scanning of host apps may fail to capture the malicious payloads. In our dataset, there are four malware families, i.e., BaseBridge, DroidKungFuUpdate, AnserverBot, and Plankton, that adopt this attack.

### V. PROPOSED SYSTEM

The overall architecture diagram is given above. Our system begins with the phase of downloading Android applications. Both genuine and malware applications need to be downloaded

to train and test our system. Malware Android applications cannot be easily downloaded from the internet. We became a member in virusshare.com- a malware repository used for research and analysis purposes. After we have created a Repository of Android applications, we need to extract the AndroidManifest.xml and classes.dex \_les from each of the .apk package. Both the \_les will be in encrypted form. In order to decrypt the manifest xml \_le, we use AXMLPrinter2.jar tool. To decompile the dex \_le (compiled java source code), we use dexdexer.jar tool. Both the tools are automated and executed using Windows PowerShell. Since we need to perform the decrypting of xml \_les and decompiling of dex \_les for all the .apk packages we have downloaded, it is literally impossible to separately use the tool for every application.

## VI. CONCLUSION

we had survey on framework for classifying Android applications whether they are malware or normal applications. To generate the models, we have extracted several permission features from several downloaded applications from android markets.

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