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Not Covered:

- Latest games I want to avoid lawsuits and "history repeats" itself" (methods shown work for the latest games, eg: DotA 2)
- FPS (aim) Bots typically require DirectX/OpenGL programming knowledge (and I have none)
- Android games I'm an iPhone user, sorry!







DISCLAIMER:

The "Terms of Service" / "Terms and Conditions" of most games prevent you from decompiling or modifying game files, or intercepting and manipulating data traffic.

Hack creators have been sued for making hacks (under "copyright" infringement").

You might get banned from your favourite game.









I. Console Games

I.I. Game Genie and others









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kill Toad! (change the game)





Game Genie is available for mutliple consoles.

Many similar devices and systems have been created, such as the GameShark.





I. Console Games 2. DOS Games 2.1. Memory Scanning







Game Wizard 32 Shareware v3.0

Main Menu

Memory Address Search

Result of Memory Address Search Table of Memory Locations Edit Memory Contents File Manager Game Playing Speed Picture Grabber (Capture Graphic Screen to Disk) Boss Screen with Password Option View Current Program Screen Load Previous Saved Program From Disk Save Current Program To Disk Crash Back to Dos (Exit the Current Program) Dos Shell

<mark>Esc</mark>=Quit

Registered to: Unregistered Version

Game Wizard 32 is a DOS memory scanner





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	Ctrl-E=End Current Search Ctrl-P=Previous Search Esc=Main





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God mode!



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Diablo I had no multiplayer "state" checking

Game clients dictated the stats of their character to each other (peer to peer, via Battle.Net)

Character stats could be changed

Items could be exported, imported and modified

Custom items could be created (eg:"Zacon Item of L33tn3ss")



- I. Console Games
- 2. DOS Games
- 3. Windows Games
 - 3.1. Diablo 1 & Memory Scanning
 - 3.2. StarCraft | map hack with OllyDbg (debugger)









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3. repeat until "suspicious" results are found (lots of addresses changing between two values, in order)

4. copy one of these addresses

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> Map hack! (in multiplayer)







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1600 minerals, seconds in to the game, and counting!



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Sometimes "restricted" Spell IDs are found, and used, by non-GameMasters, resulting in mass (in-game) death



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 - 3.4. Kartograph









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Game memory is monitored, and shown as a "heat map", making identifying data, and making (especially map) hacks, much quicker and easier

I can't do them enough justice in these slides, visit <u>http://elie.im/talks/kartograph</u> to learn more about it!



- I. Console Games
- 2. DOS Games
- 3. Windows Games
 - 3.5. Ultima Online "POL" server exploitation with W32Dasm







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"POL", an Ultima Online server emulator, stores it's data in key-value based text files.

An advisory was mailed out, suggesting that if someone where to insert a "newline" character additional properties could be inserted.

Luckily this was deemed impossible ;)

So I set out to do it...



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Game clients don't always like us doing that... BUT...











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Which performs some kind of checking, and then jumps to the code with the string in, if the condition is met.

We can make note of the offset (0001EC75)...

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... and open the file, going to that location, in a hexeditor

Where we see the same hex codes

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Changing them to "90"s...









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Changing them to "90"s... "nop"s them out

"nop"s basically mean "do nothing" ("No Operation") in this case, never error on invalid characters



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The "CmdLevel test" payload after our marker would give your character GameMaster powers.

This has been fixed in more recent POL versions - for character names, but theoretically every text input (such as naming pets) may still be vulnerable



- I. Console Games
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- 4. iPhone / iPad Games
 - 4.1. Non-Jailbroken hacks modifying "plist" and other config files









iPhone games can be hacked, to some degree, without jailbreaking



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The next time the game is run, the scores are updated!





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Often these "locks" are controlled in config files (look out for "ini", "plist" and "sqlite" files!)




10 misspelled words

Spaces: 2

Plain Text





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Unlocked!



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Tools like Burp Suite, and mitmproxy, can be used to intercept game traffic

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     # Version: 1.00 (10 March 2012)
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       # disable gzip encoding for the (donuts) currency
       if (flow.request.host.find('simpsons.sn.eamobile.
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       # find and replace the "money" value being sent t
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         flow.request.content = new_content
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     def response(context, flow):
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       # forge a new response, of 999 donuts, for the currency check
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Python

Tools like Burp Suite, and mitmproxy, can be used to intercept game traffic

And re-write values, such as XP, gold, scores, or "premium" (paid-for) credits

mitmproxy lets you write scripts to do this automatically



- I. Console Games
- 2. DOS Games
- 3. Windows Games
- 4. iPhone / iPad Games
 - 4.2. Jailbroken hacks decompiling with IDA Pro









ssh root@192.168.1.89 - root@192.168.1.89 - ssh - 129×39

Rosss-iPhone-4:~ root# clutch

usage: clutch [application name] [...]

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Cracking PvZ...

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iOS games are encrypted when downloaded from the App Store

Calculating offsets, using "gdb" to dump memory, and trial and error byte switching can decrypt apps... OR...

A jailbroken app called "clutch" can be used to decrypt them quickly and easily

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(00's work as NOPs in ARM)



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### root# ldone PvZ -s root# reboot



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... which could be set to always return true - the server, and other clients, don't seem to care!



## Recommended Reading:

I. "Exploiting Online Games: Cheating Massively Distributed Systems" - Greg Hoglund & Gary McGraw

2. "Hacking and Securing iOS Applications" - Jonathan Zdziarski

3. Forums: http://www.blizzhackers.cc & http://www.mpgh.net/forum/





# Real world concerns?

- I. Bypass string terminators in saved games to buffer overflow and root devices? (eg: PSP - http://pspslimhacks.com/psp-6-20-savedata-exploit-released-hello-world-6-20/)
- 2. Send malicious (code execution?) instructions to multiplayer clients (eg: Starcraft forced map download hack)
- 3. Send XSS or SQL injection to "high score" severs not checking or filtering input













