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Bypassing Dynamic Taint Analyzers

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Dynamic taint analysis (DTA) is widely used to detect information flow vulnerabilities by tracking the propagation of taint tags at runtime. However, existing DTA approaches rely on the assumption that the underlying type system is secure. In reality is it often not the case. In this presentation we will look at how attackers can manipulate object types and directly alter taint labels, effectively bypassing taint tracking mechanisms.

Length

Optional: Speaker / convener biography

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