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## What is Needle?

- + A tool for auditing ios Application Security
- + An open source, modular framework
  - streamline the entire process
  - acts as a central hub





## Motivation

Beginners: easy to use

Professionals: save time during assessments

Developers: quickly test their products

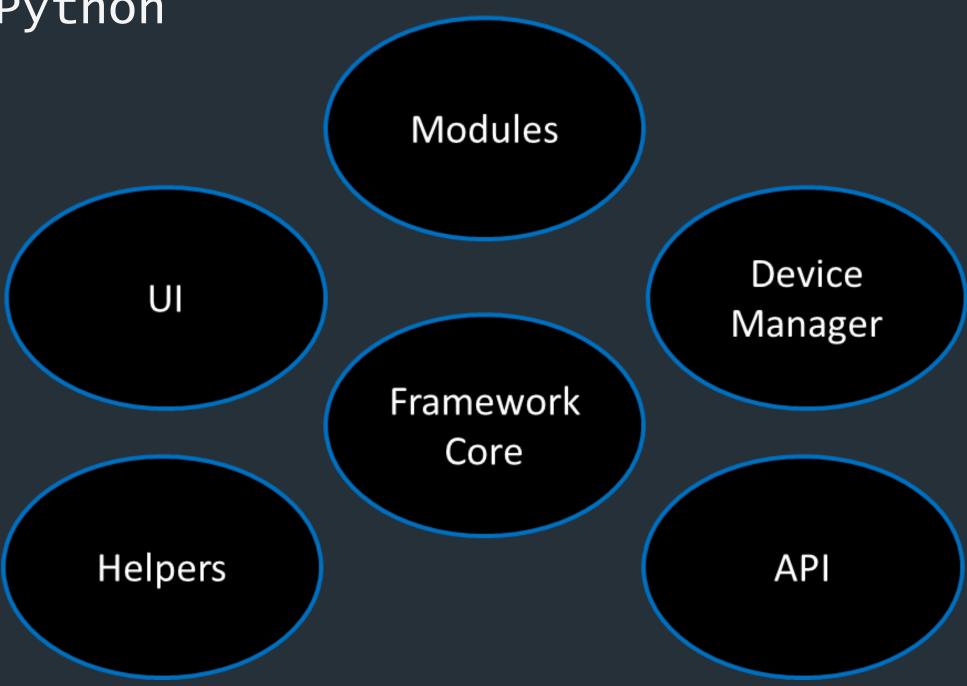
The Architecture



## Architecture

1. Decoupled components

2. Entirely written in Python



O - com.highaltitudehacks.dvia

: 2.0 (2.0)

: DamnVulnerableIOSApp.app : DamnVulnerableIOSApp

: com.highaltitudehacks.dvia

: 759CB379-BAB3-40B2-A8A1-A039CD22C885

Please select a number: 0

Name

UUID

Binary Name Bundle ID

App Version Data Directory

Bundle Directory

[+] Target app: com.highaltitudehacks.dvia

Retrieving app's metadata...



Modules

Device Manager

Framework Core

API

UI

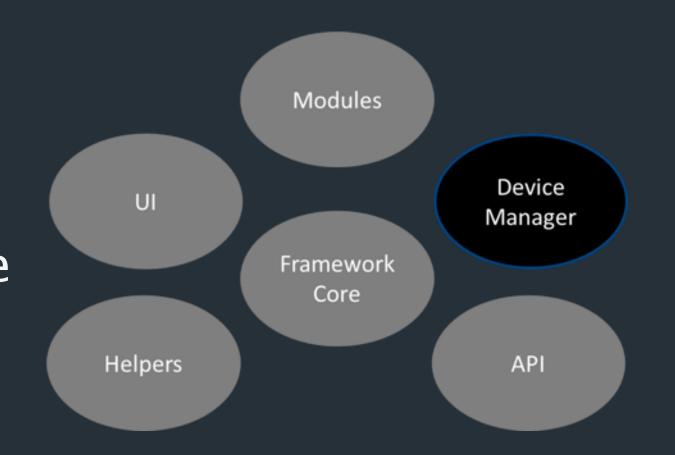
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UI
└$ python needle.py
                   Needle v0.0.2 [mwr.to/needle]
  [MWR InfoSecurity (@MWRLabs) - Marco Lancini (@LanciniMarco)]
                                                                                                                                 Helpers
[needle] > show options
 Name
                Current Value Required Description
  APP
                                         Bundle ID of the target application (e.g., com.example.app). Leave empty to launch wizard
  DEBUG
                                         Enable debugging output
                False
                              yes
                                         IP address of the testing device (set to localhost to use USB)
               127.0.0.1
                               yes
 PASSWORD
                                         SSH Password of the testing device
               alpine
                               yes
                                         Port of the SSH agent on the testing device (needs to be != 22 to use USB)
  PORT
                2222
                              no
  PROXY
                                         Proxy server (address:port)
                              no
                                         Set to true to enable auto-configuration of the device (installation of all the tools needed)
  SETUP DEVICE False
                              yes
  USERNAME
                                         SSH Username of the testing device
                root
                               yes
               False
  VERBOSE
                              yes
                                         Enable verbose output
[needle] > use binary/metadata
[needle][metadata] > info
     Name: App Metadata
     Path: modules/binary/metadata.py
    Author: @LanciniMarco (@MWRLabs)
  Display the app's metadata: UUID, app name/version, bundle name/ID, bundle/data/binary directory,
 binary path/name, entitlements, URL handlers, architectures, platform/SDK/OS version
Options:
 No options available for this module.
[needle][metadata] > run
[*] Checking connection with device...
[+] Connected to: 127.0.0.1
   Target app not selected. Launching wizard...
   Apps found:
```

: /private/var/mobile/Containers/Data/Application/031CAB32-6115-4613-B56F-CFF61BCED692 : /private/var/mobile/Containers/Bundle/Application/759CB379-BAB3-40B2-A8A1-A039CD22C885



# Device Manager

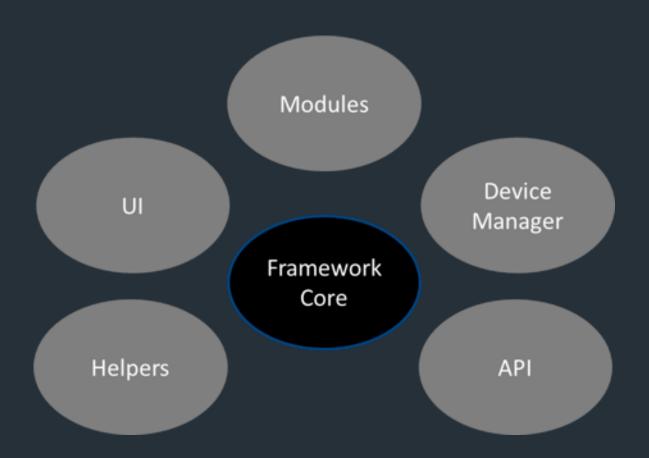
- Manage connections with the iDevice
  - SSH over Wi–Fi
  - SSH over USB
- Device setup, port forwarding, cleanup...
- Basic commands
  - shell, push/pull
- + App management
  - metadata, open, decrypt, data protection...





## Framework Core

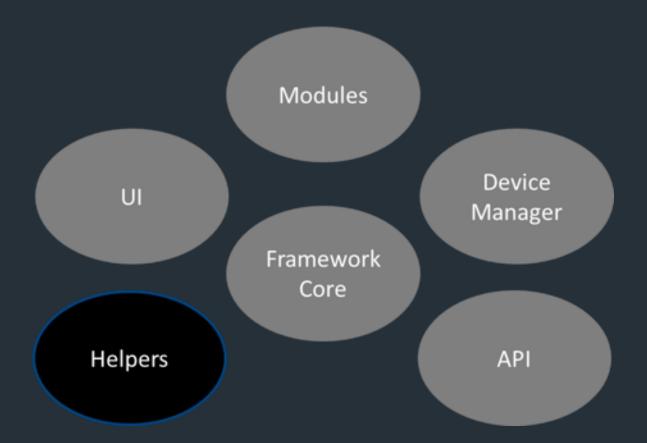
- + Initialize and manage all the other components
- + Load/execute modules/jobs
- + Maintain status
  - global options, loaded modules, running jobs, device status...
  - pointers to instantiated objects
  - constants



# MWR LABS

# Helpers

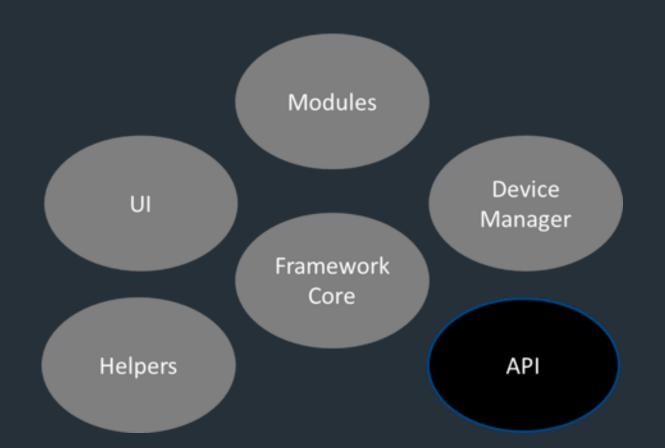
- Common functionalities offered both to the Core and APIS
- + Sanitization, logging, printing...





## API

- The framework core exposes
  APIS to interact with the local and remote OS
- + These wraps common functionalities
  - file and data access
  - command execution
  - networking
- Speed-up creation of new modules



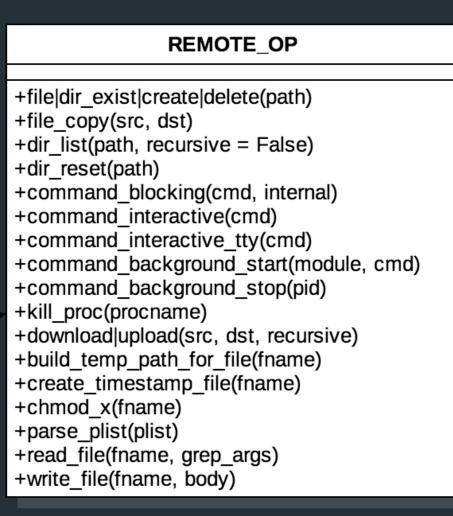


### API

# +file|dir\_exist|create|delete(path) +dir\_copy(src, dst) +dir\_is\_empty(path) +dir\_reset(path) +command\_subproc\_start|stop(cmd|proc) +command\_blocking|interactive(cmd) +command\_background\_start(cmd) +command\_background\_stop(procname) +build\_output\_path\_for\_file(module, fname) +build\_temp\_path\_for\_file(module, fname) +delete\_temp\_file(module, fname) +cat\_file(fname) +get\_ip() -output\_folder\_setup|backup(module)

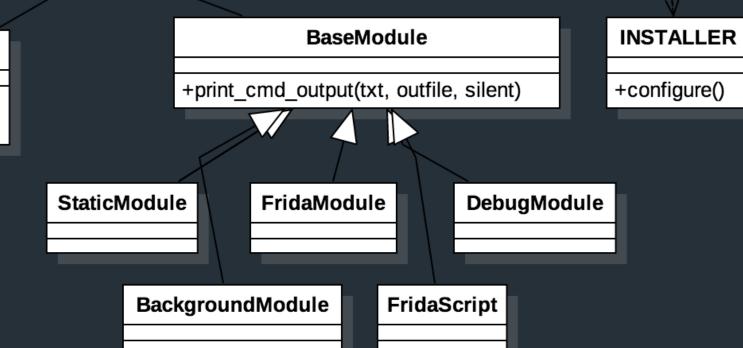


#### DEVICE frida server -\_debug\_server #TEMP\_FOLDER #DEVICE\_TOOLS +conn +app +installer +local op +remote\_op +printer -is\_usb() -connect() -disconnect() -setup() -cleanup() +shell() +push\_pull()



reedle.py

+init\_global\_options()
+load\_modules()



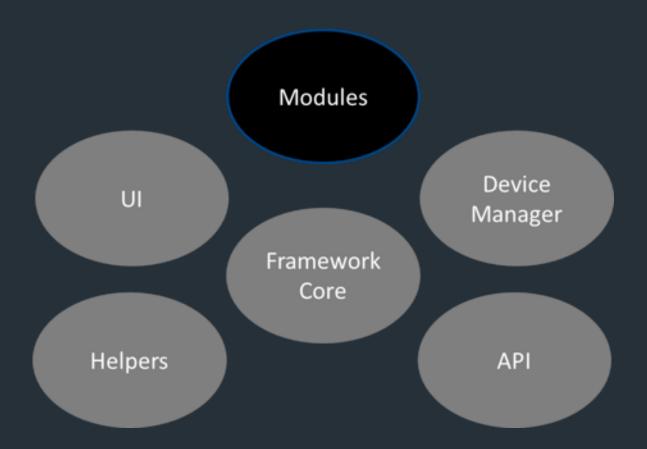
## APP

- +get\_metadata(app\_name)
- +open(bundle\_id)
- +search\_pid(app\_name)
- +decrypt(app\_metadata)
- +get\_dataprotection(filelist)
- +convert\_path\_to\_filename(fname, metadata)



## Modules

- Heart of Needle's functionalities
- + Collection of python scripts





# Currently Supported Modules

#### Binary

- App Metadata
- Compilation Checks
- Shared Libraries
- Strings
- Class Dump
- Install IPA
- Pull IPA

#### Storage

- Binary Cookies
- Cache.db Files
- Plist Files
- SQL Files
- Dump Keychain
- Screenshot Caching
- Keyboard Autocomplete
   Caching



# Currently Supported Modules

#### Dynamic

- Jailbreak Detection
- URI Handler
- Heap Dump
- Monitor File changes
- Monitor OS Pasteboard
- Syslog Monitor
- Syslog Watch

#### Hooking

- Cycript shell
- Frida shell
- Frida trace
- Frida launcher
- Enumerate Classes (script)
- Enumerate Methods (script)
- Enumerate All Methods (script)



# Currently Supported Modules

#### Comms

- List Installed Certificates
- Export Installed
   Certificates
- Import Installed
   Certificates
- Delete Installed Certificates
- Install MitmProxy CA
   Certificate
- Intercepting Proxy

#### Static

Code Checks





# Roadmap

#### Agent to deploy on device

Replace all the dependencies

Support for non-jailbroken devices

#### New modules

- Substrate integration
- WebView scanner
- Hook Swift methods
- URI handlers fuzzer
- Pinning detection/bypass
- Obfuscation detection

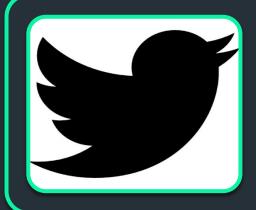
... community based



# Get Needle



mwr.to/needle



@mwrneedle