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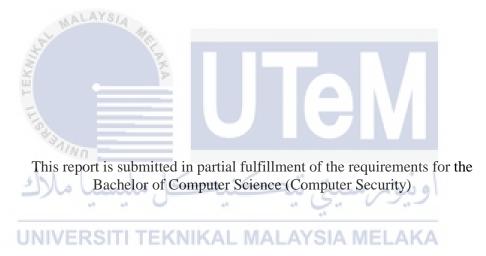
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#### **ABSTRACT**

The objective of digital forensic investigation process in a cybercrime is to preserve any evidence in its most original form while performing a structured investigation by collecting, identifying and validating the digital information for the purpose of reconstructing past events while maintaining the chain of custody. With the current scenario, mobile technology has also exposes to cybercrime, this has make the investigation process more complex. The traceability process has become a crucial part of the digital investigation process because it is capable to map the events of an incident from different sources in collecting evidence of an incident to be used for other additional investigation aspects. The need of finding and mapping evidence in Android platform has also becoming more important. Thus, this project proposes the adaptability of the traceability matrix to represent the relationship in the digital forensic investigation process by assimilating the traceability features in the mobile technology environment especially on Android. The objective of this project is to identify, analyze and construct Android malware traces for forensic investigation and show the link between the evidence, the entities and the sources related in the process. Besides, the proposed project is expected to assist the forensic investigator in gaining accurate and complete evidence that can be further used in a court of law. To make it real, there are four phases that had been conducted. The first phase was a literature review where a detailed study of the traceability issues that involved to mobile forensic. The second phase was analyzing data set while the third phase was a construction of the traceability matrix and the last phase was completing the documentation.

#### **ABSTRAK**

Objektif proses penyiasatan forensik digital dalam jenayah siber adalah untuk memelihara mana-mana bukti dalam bentuk yang paling asal semasa menjalankan penyiasatan yang tersusun dengan mengumpul, mengenal pasti dan mengesahkan maklumat yang digital untuk tujuan membina semula kejadian yang lepas di samping mengekalkan rantaian jagaan. Dengan senario semasa, teknologi mudah alih juga telah memberi pendedahan kepada jenayah siber, hal ini menjadikan proses siasatan lebih kompleks. Proses pengesanan telah menjadi sebahagian yang penting dalam proses siasatan digital kerana ia mampu untuk memetakan peristiwa kejadian daripada pelbagai sumber dalam mengumpul bukti kejadian yang akan digunakan untuk lain aspek siasatan tambahan. Keperluan untuk mencari dan memeta bukti dalam platform Android juga telah menjadi lebih penting. Oleh itu, projek ini mencadangkan penyesuaian matriks pengesanan untuk mewakili hubungan dalam proses siasatan forensik digital dengan menerapkan ciri-ciri pengesanan dalam persekitaran teknologi mudah alih terutamanya pada Android. Objektif projek ini adalah untuk mengenal pasti, menganalisis dan membina jejak malware Android untuk siasatan forensik dan menunjukkan hubungan antara bukti, entiti dan sumber yang berkaitan dalam proses. Selain itu, projek yang dicadangkan itu dijangka membantu penyiasat forensik dalam mendapatkan bukti yang tepat dan lengkap yang boleh terus digunakan dalam mahkamah undang-undang. Untuk membuatkannya berhasil, terdapat empat fasa yang telah dijalankan. Fasa pertama adalah kajian yang lebih dalam di mana satu kajian terperinci mengenai isu-isu kebolehkesanan yang terlibat untuk forensik mudah alih. Fasa kedua telah menganalisis data yang ditetapkan manakala fasa ketiga adalah pembinaan matriks pengesanan dan fasa terakhir melengkapkan dokumentasi.

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#### **CHAPTER I**



Previously, malware has infected PCs for many years. Due to the fast growth of smartphone industry, it has made mobile platforms a prime target for malware developers to perform attacks. According to a study made by International Data Corporation in third quarter of 2016, Android dominated the smartphone market with a share of 86.8% as shown in **Figure 1.1(a)** and **Figure 1.1(b)**. Besides, according to an internet security threat report made by Symantec Corporation, from 2013 until 2015, the number of android mobile malware variant increases as shown in **Figure 1.2**.

# Worldwide Smartphone OS Market Share (Share in Unit Shipments)

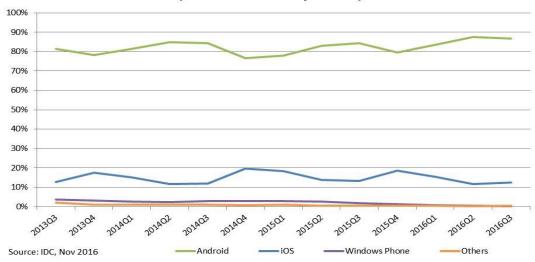


Figure 1.1 (a) Worldwide Smartphone OS Market Share (Share in Unit Shipments)



Figure 1.1 (b) Worldwide Smartphone OS Market Share (Share in Unit Shipments) (IDC, 2016)



Figure 1.2: The growth of android mobile malware variants. (Symantec Corp, 2016)

Unfortunately, Android application developers can upload their applications without any verification or validation of their trustworthiness. Unauthorized repositories also exist, where developers can upload applications, including cracked applications. This has allowed attackers to upload malware to the market and also to spread malware through the unauthorized repositories. A number of applications have been modified and the malware have been bind, packed and spread through unauthorized repositories. Therefore, detection of Android malware efficiently has great significance and definitely Android malware analysis becomes more and more common task during mobile forensic investigations. Every month thousands of new malware types are created, so it becomes critical for any digital forensic investigator to have accurate and complete evidence. The traceability process has become a crucial part of the digital investigation process because it is capable to map the events of an incident from different sources in collecting evidence of an incident to be used for other additional investigation aspects. The need of finding and mapping evidence in mobile platform has also becoming more important. Thus, this project proposes the adaptability of the traceability matrix to represent the relationship in the digital forensic investigation process by assimilating the traceability features in the mobile technology environment especially on Android.

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#### 1.2 Problem Statement

The rapid growth of Android malware is posing challenges to malware detection technology. The Research Problem (RP) is summarized into **Table 1.1**.

**Table 1.1 Summary of Research Problem** 

	Research Problem
RP <sub>1</sub>	Difficulty to investigate the android malware incidence.

## 1.3 Project Question

Therefore, two Research Questions (RQ) are constructed to identify the research problem as discussed in previous section is depicted in **Table 1.2**.

**Table 1.2 Summary of Research Question** 

	RQ	Research Question	
RP <sub>1</sub>	RQ <sub>1</sub>	What is the parameter used to trace android	
		malware activity?	
	RQ <sub>2</sub>	Where the traces of android malware	
	V o	activity can be found?	

#### **RQ1:** What is the parameter used to trace android malware activity?

This research question is to find out the suitable parameter to be used to trace android malware activity. It is important to determine which parameter to be used as each type of malware infect on different parameter.

RQ2: Where the traces of android malware activity can be found?

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This research question is to find out where the traces of android malware activity can be found and the steps used to find the malicious activities.

#### 1.4 Project Objective

From the research problem and question, the project objective has been determined. The project objective is depicted in **Table 1.3**.

**Table 1.3 Summary of Project Objective** 

RP	RQ	RO	Project Objective
RP <sub>1</sub>	RQ <sub>1</sub>	RO <sub>1</sub>	To investigate traces of android
			malware activity.
	$RQ_2$	$RO_2$	To generate the android
			malware traceability matrix for
			digital forensic investigation.

# RO1: To investigate traces of android malware activity.

It is important to study on traces of android malware activity first before generating the android malware traceability matrix. To start an analysis, identifying parameter becomes a crucial part. As android malware might behave in different way due to its purpose, thus, a lot parameter might involve in the analysis.

RO2: To generate the android malware traceability matrix for digital forensic investigation.

After the parameter used to analyze the malware is determined, thus the next step is to collect data and analyze the data to generate the android malware traceability matrix.

# 1.5 Project Scope

The scopes of this project are as follow:

- a. This project only investigates on android malware.
- b. This project only focuses on investigating the log cat, network traffic and system call on data sources to trace android malware malicious activity.

# 1.6 Project Contribution

The research contributions of this project are summarized in **Table 1.4**.

**Table 1.4 Summary of Research Contribution** 

RP	RQ	RO	RC	Project
1		)		Contribution
RP <sub>1</sub>	$RQ_1$	$RO_1$	$RC_1$	Proposed the
سا ملاك	کل ملیس	ڪند	ىتى تىد	parameter used to
12.0	1	a <sup>A</sup>	0	trace the android
JNIVERS	ITI TEKN	IIKAL M	ALAYSIA	ME malware activity.
	$RQ_2$	$RO_2$	$RC_2$	Proposed the android
				malware traceability
				matrix for digital
				forensic investigation.

By using the finding and result in this project, a forensic investigator will be able to gain accurate and complete evidence that can be further used in a court of law.

# 1.7 Thesis Organization

This report consists of six chapter namely Chapter I: Introduction, Chapter 2: Literature Review, Chapter 3: Methodology, Chapter 4: Design and Implementation, Chapter 5: Testing and Result Analysis and Chapter 6: Conclusion.

#### **Chapter 1: Introduction.**

This chapter will discuss about introduction, project background, research problem, research question, research objective, scope, project significant and report organization.

#### **Chapter 2: Literature Review.**

This chapter will explain related work of this project, such system parameter and traceability.

## Chapter 3: Methodology.

This chapter will explain the method used to analyze the android malware and organize the sequence of project work in phase by phase.

## Chapter 4: Design and Implementation.

This chapter will introduce the software and hardware use in this project, environment setup, implementation of malware as well as the data collected.

## **Chapter 5: Testing and Result Analysis.**

This chapter will analyze the collected data.

#### **Chapter 6: Conclusion.**

This chapter will be summarized all chapters as a conclusion.

# 1.8 Conclusion

In this chapter, problem statement, project questions and project objective of the projects have been clearly identified as well as the plan to conduct the analysis. The next chapter, Chapter 2 will be discussed on the types of android, malware, techniques and parameter used to conduct the analysis of android malware activity.



#### **CHAPTER II**

# LITERATURE REVIEW

# 2.1 Introduction In this chapter, a literature review about Android malware will be discussed as shown in Figure 2.1. UNIVERSITI TEKNIKAL MALAYSIA MELAKA

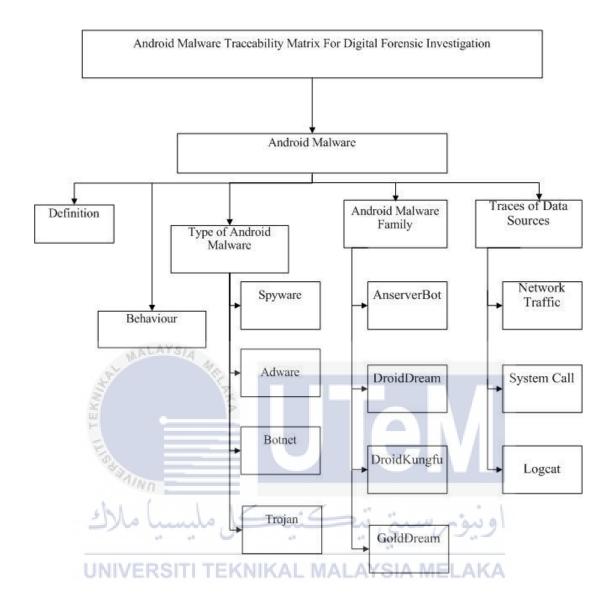


Figure 2.1 Outline of Android Malware Traceability Matrix for Digital Forensic Investigation

#### 2.2 Related Work

Analysis and forensics of malware behavior is an essential technology that extracts the runtime behavior of malware and supplies signatures to detection systems and provides evidence for recovery, cleanup and forensics (Wu et al., 2016.). The objective of digital forensic investigation process in a cybercrime is to preserve any evidence in its most original form while performing a structured investigation by collecting, identifying and validating the digital information for the purpose of reconstructing past events while maintaining the chain of custody. With the current scenario, mobile technology has also exposes to cybercrime, this has make the investigation process more complex. The traceability process has become a crucial part of the digital investigation process because it is capable to map the events of an incident from different sources in collecting evidence of an incident to be used for other additional investigation aspects. The need of finding and mapping evidence in Android platform has also becoming more important.

In recent years, traceability matrix had been widely used in food industry, software testing, military hardware, aerospace and automotive industry as summarized in **Table 2.1**.

Table 2.1 List of Existing Research (Traceability Matrix)

No	FieldIVERS	SITI TEKI	Author MALA	Approach
1	Military		(Department Of	Defines system or subsystem
	hardware		Defense	level functional and
			Handbook	performance requirements derived
			System	from warfighter capabilities
			Requirements	documents, Concept of
			Document	Operations (CONOPS), Concept
			Guidance, 2011)	of Employment (CoE), Analysis
				of Alternatives (AoA), system
				level performance metrics,
				mission threads or use cases, and
				usage environment, which are

				captured in a program's System
				Requirement Document. These
				•
				aggregate requirements are also
				now known as attributes.
				Attributes are further broken out
				and prioritized as Key
				Performance Parameters (KPPs)
				and Key System Attributes
				(KSAs). Traceability matrix
				traces System Requirement
				Development requirements up to
	MALA	YSIA		warfighter ability documents and
	Set III	100		down to the lowest level hardware
	N. S.	3		or software component that
	F			implements the requirement.
2	Software		(Sachdeva,2013)	Defines use case ID or
	Col. Col.			
	testing			requirement ID, use case or
	testing	کا مایت		requirement ID, use case or requirement description and one
	testing m	کل ملیسہ	نيڪنيڪ	
	testing win	کل ملیسہ SITI TEKI	نيكني NIKAL MALA	requirement description and one
3	testing UNIVERS	کل ملیس SITI TEKI	NIKAL MALA (Austin, 2013)	requirement description and one column for each test case.
3	ياً ملاك UNIVERS	کل ملیس SITI TEKI		requirement description and one column for each test case.  YSIA MELAKA
3	UNIVERS Food	کل ملیسه SITI TEKI		requirement description and one column for each test case.  YSIA MELAKA  Defines system, subsystem level
3	UNIVERS Food	کل ملیسه SITI TEKI		requirement description and one column for each test case.  YSIA MELAKA  Defines system, subsystem level functional,
3	UNIVERS Food	کل ملیسه SITI TEKI		requirement description and one column for each test case.  YSIA MELAKA  Defines system, subsystem level functional, component level and verification
3	UNIVERS Food	کل ملیسه SITI TEKI		requirement description and one column for each test case.  YSIA MELAKA  Defines system, subsystem level functional, component level and verification requirement derived from static
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		Defines the system chosen for
		animal identification and
		traceability include outcomes of
		risk assessment,
		the animal and public health
		situation,
		animal population parameters (for
		example, species, numbers, and
		distribution), types of production,
		animal movement patterns,
		available technologies, trade in
ALAYS/A		animals and animal products,
The same		cost/benefit analysis and other
75		economic, geographical and
		environmental considerations, and
		cultural aspects.
en	(Grogan, et al,	These need to be balanced with
(	2005)	other typical parameters for
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ERSITI TEKI	NIKAL MALA	accommodation such as data rate
		and volume requirements,
		pointing and stability
		requirements, mounting and
		structure requirements and
		thermal, power, mass and volume
		constraints.
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**Table 2.1** shows several field used traceability matrix as a medium to track and map the origin. Since digital forensic investigation requires a lot of evidences to identify the offender or the origin of the crime, traceability matrix can ensure that all the evidence is fully covered.

Technically, traceability was defined and discovered as shown in **Table 2.2**:

Table 2.2 List of "Traceability" Definition

Author	Definition
(Oghazi, P., B. et al.,	The means to identify and follow real or imaginary objects
2007)	through a process chain.
ISO 8402:1995	The ability to trace the history, application or location of an
	entity, by means of recorded identifications.
(Golan, E., et al., 2004)	The definition of traceability can be broad, because in most
	of the time the processes are very complex.
(Clayton, R, 2005)	The ability to map events in cyberspace, particularly on the
MALAYSIA	Internet, back to real-world instigators, often with a view to
Ser.	holding them accountable for their actions.
(Lázaro, P.GC., 2004)	How difficult it is to establish the source and destination of
	communications on computers and communication
(a)	networks, such as the Internet.
(Selamat, Yusof, et al.,	The ability to trace and map the events of an incident from
2011)	difference sources in order to obtain evidence of an incident
	for further process of investigation.

#### 2.2.1 Android Malware

#### a) Definition

In recent years, Android-based mobile devices are undoubtedly the most popular operating system for smartphones and tablets. Meantime, the dramatic increasing of the number of Android malware being more sophisticated as reported in F-secure Threat Report 2015(Rover, 2015). According to *Malware Fighting Malicious Code* (Skoudis, Ed Zeltser, 2004), malware is defined as a set of instruction that run on your computer and make your system do something that an attacker wants it to do. On the other hand, Android

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malware basically means a set of instructions that run on your Android-based mobile devices and make your system do something that an attacker wants it to do.

# b) Behaviour

According to a survey of Android Malware (Jiang and Zhou, 2013), Android malware was categorized into four behaviours as shown in **Table 2.3**:

**Table 2.3 List of Android Behaviour** 

Android	Attack Techniques
Behaviour	
Malware	1. Repackaging
Installation	- One of the most common techniques
Car Miles	malware authors use to piggyback malicious
Kal	payloads into popular apps.
	2. Update Attack
* BAN	- It may still repackage popular apps but it
the same	
ملىسىيا ملاك	only includes an update component that will
** ** *	fetch or download the malicious payloads at
UNIVERSITI TE	KNIKAL runtime. AYSIA MELAKA
	3. Drive-by-download
	- Enticing users to download "interesting" of
	"feature-rich" apps.
	4. Spyware
	- It intends to be installed to victim's phones
	on purpose.
	on purpose.
	5. Fake apps
	- Send SMS messages to premium-rate
	numbers without user awareness.

	<ul> <li>6. Apps that also intentionally include malicious functionality.</li> <li>- Provide the functionality they claimed but unknown to users, they also include certain malicious functionality.</li> <li>7. Apps that rely on the root privilege to function well.</li> <li>- Grant the root privilege to these apps without</li> </ul>		
	asking the user.		
MALATSIA			
Activation	The application activates itself for doing malicious		
Activation			
<u> </u>	activities. The authors found in their analysis		
	that the malicious applications activate themselves		
UNIVE	during		
ملسبا ملاك	boot completion events, package removing or package		
	installation events, SMS received events, call phone,		
UNIVERSITI TE	during AL MALAYSIA MELAKA		
	network connectivity events, during system events		
	and during the launch of some popular host applications		
	main activity.		
Malicious Payloads	Privilege Escalation		
	<ul> <li>Malicious application tries to take root</li> </ul>		
	access to exploit the root privilege.		
	2. Remote Control		
	- Controlling it from a remote device.		
	3. Financial Charges		
	- The malicious application uses victim's		
	device for sending premium messages		

	without user's knowledge in order to harm
	him with financial loss.
	4. Personal Information
	- Collecting user's information like SMS
	received, phone call log, and device
	information
Permission Usage	Android requires applications to declare all the required
	permissions, and Android will prompt declared
	permissions to users at the beginning of an installation
	process (Xu, Zhang, et al., n.d.).



Basically, there are four types of most popular Android malware as summarized in **Table 2.4**.

Table 2.4 Android Malware and Their Definition and Behaviour

Android Malware	Definition and Behaviour
Spyware	Software that reveals private information
	about the user or computer system to
	eavesdroppers (Hypponen, 2006). A
	malware that spies the user's activities
	(Abualola, Alhawai, et al., 2016).

Adware	Advertising a product or a website that are harmless but annoying (Feizollah, Anuar, et al., 2015).
Botnet	Collection of several bots connected with each other's with the help of networks.  Mobile botnets provide botmaster with root permissions over the compromised mobile device, enabling botmaster to send mails or text messages, make phone calls, access contacts and photos (Joshi, Khanna, et al., n.d.).
Trojan	A software that appears to provide some functionalities but, instead, contains a malicious program (Polla, Martinelli, et al., 2013).

According to the current attack trends and analysis of the present literatures, (Raveendranath, Venkiteswaran, n.d.) described the types of malwares as shown in **Table 2.5**:

**Table 2.5 List of Type of Malware** 

Type of Malware	Description
Information Extraction	Compromises the devices and steals
	personal information such as personal
	information, IMEI number, etc.
Automatic Calls and SMS	User's phone bill is increased by making
	calls and sending SMS to some premium
	numbers.

Root Exploits	The malware will gain system root
	privileges and takes control of the system
	and modifies the information.
Search Engine Optimizations	Artificially search for a term and
	simulates clicks on targeted websites in
	order to increase the revenue of a search
	engine or increase the traffic on a
	website.
Dynamically Downloaded code	An installed benign application
	downloads a malicious code and deploy
	sit in the mobile devices.
Covert Channel	A vulnerability in the devices that
51 Mg	facilitates the information leak between
	the processes that are not supposed to
	share the information.
Botnets	A network of compromised mobile
ANNO -	devices with a BotMaster which is
كندكا ملسبا ملاك	controlled by Command and Control
	servers (C&C). Carry out Spam delivery,
UNIVERSITI TEKNIKAL I	DDos attacks on the host devices

#### d) Android Malware Family

According to (Zaki, Sahib, et al., 2013.), AnserverBot, DroidDream and DroidKungfu were defined as follow:

#### AnserverBot

The AnserverBot have the potentiality to repackage itself by contacting the C&C server. The malicious application is embedded to a legitimate application then sending device information by connecting automatically to a C&C server and downloading a new malicious repackage application without the user consent. The repackage application contents malicious payloads, namely, anserverb.db and anservera.db (Trendmicro, Zhou and Jiang).

#### • DroidDream

DroidDream have the capability to steal device's information, connect to the internet, access device's SD card, modify system files, attempt to gain root/admin access, connect to C&C server and download another malicious package.

## • DroidKungfu

The goals of DroidKungfu malware family are to gain a root access to the android OS, capturing device information and connecting itself to a C&C server for sending captured information and receiving command (Eset antivirus, F-secure and Microtrend report).



# Network Traffic TEKNIKAL MALAYSIA MELAKA

Nowadays, smart phones, especially Android based, have attracted the users community for their feature rich apps to use with various applications like browsing, chatting, mailing, maps, GPS, mobile payment applications, image editing and video processing. Meanwhile the popularity of these devices attracted the malicious attackers as well. Thus, mobile network traffic analysis has been used to identify the malware by monitoring for any malicious communication activity through the network. Some of the features or parameter used in this project based upon the behavior of different malware are summarized in **Table 2.6** (Jeong et al., 2016).

Table 2.6 List of network traffic features

Parameter
IP number
Port number
Time
Packet Size
Protocol
Packet Count

# • System Call

The system call tracing is one of the effective dynamic analysis technique for detecting malware as it can analyze the malware at the run time. Besides, this technique does not require the application code for malware detection. Therefore, this can detect that android malware also which are difficult to detect with static analysis of code (Malik and Khatter, 2016). Some of the parameter used in this project based upon the behavior of different malware are summarized in **Table 2.7** (Zovi et al., n.d.).

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	CREATEFILE	
	READFILE	
	WRITEFILE	
	CREATE FILE MAPPING	
	MAPVIEWOFFILE	
	RegOpenKeyEx	
	RegSetValueEx.	
	RegGetValue	

# • Logcat

The main objective of logcat in this project is to gather evidence that SMS or MMS messages are sent. For example, malware that sends SMS in the background and deletes the messages in the SMS application, can be spotted.

# 2.3 Critical Review

Currently, there is a lot of research was made due to the development of malware itself as shown in **Table 2.8**.

Table 2.8 List of Existing Research(Traces)

No	Authors/	Analysis	Parameter	Software/
	Years	Approach		Hardware
1	(Hsieh, Wan	Static, dynamic	APP	XmanDroid : Privilege
	-Chen, et	and hybrid		escalation detection tool
	al., 2015)	analysis.		
2	(Baskaran	Static,	API, network	Strace : Monitoring tool.
	and	dynamic and	traffic, battery	Logger: Extracting the sum
	Ralescu,	hybridEKNIK	usage, CPU YSI	of Internet traffic, percentage
	2016)	analysis.	usage,	of battery used and battery
			permission call	temperature for every
			and number of	minute.
			running process	
				Linux based features:
				Monitoring memory, CPU
				and network.
				Web crawler : Extracting
				tool

3	(Gascon,	Static analysis.	Structure of the	Support Vector Machine
	Yamaguchi,		underlying code.	(SVM), Androguard
	et al., n.d.)			framework.
4	(Hsiao and	Dynamic	API	Virtual Machine, QEMU
	Chen,	analysis.		Machine Protocol, virtual
	2016)			Android device, Android
				Debug Bridge.
5	(Qin, Xu, et	Static analysis.	APK	Windows 7
	al., 2012)			
6	(Huang,	Static and	APK	VirusTotal, Spark, Apache
	Zheng, et	dynamic		Cassandra, emulator.
	al., 2016)	analysis.		
7	(Zaki,	Hybrid	API, network	VMware
	Sahib, et	analysis.	traffic, event	
	al., 2013.)		handler	
8	(Mas'ud,	Dynamic	System call	Strace : Capturing system
	Sahib, et	analysis.		call in a log files.
	al., 2016)	کا ملس	ية. تبكنيع	اه نیخہ سے
9	(Dash et al.,	Dynamic	System call	Binder, sandbox.
	2016) VERS	analysis. KNIK	AL MALAYSIA	MELAKA
10	(Peng,	Dynamic	API	Apktool, dex2jar.
	Zhao, et al.,	analysis.		
	2016)			
11	(Data,	Dynamic	API and	Monkey tool
	2016)	analysis.	permissions	
12	(Shibahara,	Dynamic	Network	BotnetWatcher
	Yagi, et al.,	analysis.	behaviour	
	2016)			
13	(Saxena,	Dynamic and	API, system call	Androguard, VirusTotal,
	Shrivastava,	static analysis.		Strace
	et al., 2016)			Monkey tool

14	(Zhenyu,	Dynamic	network, file	Virtual machine, Virusshare
	Ming,	analysis.	system and	
	Zhen, et al.,		registry.	
	2016)			
15	(S. Wu,	Static analysis.	API	Dex2jar, Java static analysis
	Wang, et			tool: Soot or WALA.
	al., 2016)			
16	(Suarez-	Dynamic and	Code structure.	Androguard
	tangil,	static analysis.		
	Tapiador, et			
	al., 2014)	Y814		
17	(Huda,	Hybrid	API	IDA Pro, Phython, SQlite
	Abawajy,	analysis.		
	and et al.,			
	2016)			
18	(Shabtai,	Dynamic	Network traffic	Android Software
	Mimran, et	analysis	ية تبكنية	Development Kit
	al., 2014)	. 0		
19	(Abdullah,	Static analysis.	System call YS /	APIfy: web service that
	Ibrahim, et			provides .apk archives of
	al., 2015)			Android application.
20	(Shaikh	Dynamic	System call	Java programming, Eclipse
	Bushra and	analysis.		IDE, BlueStacks Apps
	Madhumita,			Player, Android SQlite,
	2015)			Android Development Tools.

Based on **Table 2.8**, even most of the research is about malware detection, the parameter can be used for this project as well. Majority of the research have used system call as the source but it is important to have more than one source in order to get complete

and accurate evidences. For example, network traffic and logical are also contributing to accuracy of the evidences.

# 2.4 Proposed Solution

In this project, the focus is only on four type of Android malware family which is AnserverBot, DroidKungfu, and DroidDream. The traceability matrix of malware behaviour is based on network traffic, system call and logcat. Malicious activity can be identified by monitoring the network traffic while malicious code also can be identified by tracing system call as well as logcat.

# 2.5 Conclusion

As a conclusion, this chapter had discussed in-depth on a literature review of this project. All related study about android, malware, definition, behaviour and traces of data sources have done. This chapter presented the differences on how they analyse behaviour of Android malware between the other research.

# **CHAPTER III**

# **METHODOLOGY**



In this chapter, the scopes of this project were defined. Some suitable and reasonable methods were discussed in more details as to make sure this project is in progress and working well.

#### 3.2 Methodology

In this section, a few phases that involved in this chapter were described as shown in **Figure 3.1**:



Figure 3.1 Project Methodology

Generally, there are five phases in this project. These phases are discussed in the following subsection.

# 3.2.1 Phase I: Literature Review

In this phase, a study of android malware specifically on malware behaviour was conducted as shown in **Figure 3.2**. After all, the information was used as reference for next phases. **VERSITITEKNIKAL MALAYSIA MELAKA** 

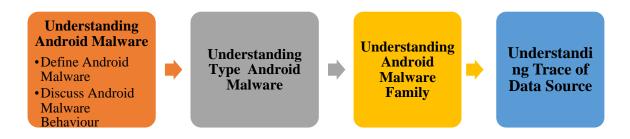
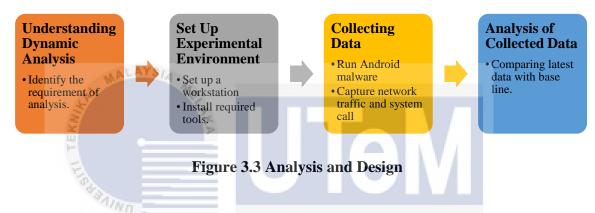


Figure 3.2 Literature Review

# 3.2.2 Phase II: Establishment of Environment and Data Analysis

This phase discussed on how data was collected as shown in **Figure 3.3**. An experimental environment will be established by activating the android malware. The environment is set up with hardware and software requirements of proposed project and will be used to simulate the incident of android malware propagation and behaviour. An isolated environment is needed in order to prevent the malware outbreak the network. Thus, this project used Genymotion as the virtualization platform. The data then collected and analysed.



# 3.2.3 Phase III: Construction of The Traceability Matrix

In this phase, the attributes are determined by discovering and extracting the android malware incident events. Then, the correlations or relationships of the events will be identified based on the android malwares involve in this project. These attributes and their relationship will be used in constructing the traceability matrix. This matrix will facilitate the forensic investigator in tracing and linking the incident events in order to identify the origin of the incident.

# 3.2.4 Phase IV: Validation of Traceability Matrix

Hence, it is important to check the usability of the traceability matrix whether the data were accurate or not after all the data have been collected, gathered and tabulated. Several sets of android incident data will be used during implementation.

# 3.2.5 Phase V: Report and Documentation

Finally, the traceability matrix and the results from analysis will be documented.

# 3.3 Project Milestone

The milestone of this project was stated in Table 3.1.

**Table 3.1: Project Milestones** 

Week	Activity	Note	
1	Proposal Submission	Topic research.	
13 – 17 February 2017		107	
2	Proposal Enhancement	Topic research.	
20 – 24 February 2017	\$		
3	Chapter 1	Topic research.	
27 Feb – 3 Mar 2017			
4	Chapter 2	Topic research.	
6 – 10 Mar 2017	ية تنكنيكا	اه نده مرس	
5	Chapter 3 Network environment s		
13 – 17 Mar 2017 SITI TEKNIKAL MALAYSIA up.ELAKA		upELAKA	
6	Chapter 3	Installation of operating	
20 – 24 Mar 2017		system, virtual machine	
		and android emulator.	
7	Chapter 4	Collecting normal	
27 – 31 Mar 2017		behaviour of the	
		application.	
8	Mid Semester Break	Research	
1 – 9 April 2017			
9	Chapter 4	Collecting normal	
10 – 14 April 2017		behaviour of the	
		application	

10	Chapter 4	Collecting normal
17 – 21 April 2017		behaviour of the
		application
11	Chapter 4	Collecting normal
24 – 28 April 2017		behaviour of the
		application
12	Chapter 5	Collecting information of
1 – 5 May 2017		the application after the
		infection of the malware
13	Chapter 5	Collecting information of
8 – 12 May 2017		the application after the
MALAYSIA		infection of the malware
14	Chapter 5	Collecting information of
15 – 19 May 2017	KA A	the application after the
		infection of the malware
15	Chapter 5	Collecting information of
22 – 26 May 2017		the application after the
ملىسىا ملاك	سترتنكنيك	infection of the malware
16	Chapter 5	Collecting information of
29 May – 2 June 2017	KNIKAL MALAYSIA	the application after the
		infection of the malware
3 – 11 June 2017	Semester Break	Research
12 – 16 June 2017	Chapter 6	Finding the malware
		signature command and
		function in the application
		source code
19 – 23 June 2017	Chapter 6	Finding the malware
		signature command and
		function in the application
		source code

26 – 30 June 2017	Chapter 6	Finding the malware
		signature command and
		function in the application
		source code
3 – 7 July 2017	Chapter 7	Finding the malware
		signature command and
		function in the application
		source code
10 – 14 July 2017	Chapter 7	Finding the malware
		signature command and
		function in the application
MALAYSIA		source code
17 – 21 July 2017	Chapter 7	Finding the malware
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		function in the application
		source code
24 – 28 July 2017	Documenting Result	Documenting the project
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31 July – 4 August 2017	Documenting Result	Documenting the project
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7 – 11 August 2017	Documenting Result	Documenting the project
		findings
14 – 18 August 2017	Final Presentation	Presenting the project result
		to the supervisor and
		evaluator

# **3.4 Conclusion**

Therefore, every project has different methodologies that is being used to make the project complete and working well. Generally, the methodology is divided into two parts, there are theoretical study and exploratory study. Next chapter, details explanation of project design will be discussed.



#### **CHAPTER IV**



This chapter is focused on the design and implementation of the proposed project. Generally, this chapter discussed about requirements of software and hardware for environment set up, experimental design including physical and logical design as well as how traceability matrix of Android malware is constructed. In addition, the details of every phases are described in this chapter.

#### **4.2 Requirement**

In this section, the requirements of hardware and software of the proposed project are discussed.

#### **4.2.1 Software Requirement**

#### i. Windows 7

- A Microsoft operating system that had been used as basic platform to install the other software. **Figure 4.1** shows the specification of the workstation.



Figure 4.1 Specification of The Workstation

# ii. Genymotion Android Emulator

- An Android emulation platform as well as virtualization platform that can develop and test Android applications without using a physical device. Besides, this emulator provides some Android version which is from 4.1.1 until 7.1.0 and device model such as Google, HTC, Motorola, Samsung and Sony. **Figure 4.2** and **Figure 4.3** show the interface of Genymotion Android Emulator.

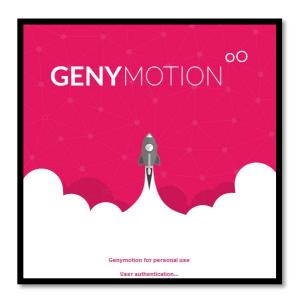


Figure 4.2 Genymotion Interface (i)



Figure 4.3 Genymotion Interface (ii)

#### iii. Terminal Emulator

- A terminal window allows the user access to a text terminal and all its applications such as command-line interfaces (CLI) and text user interface (TUI) applications.

#### iv. Wireshark

- An open source tool for profiling network traffic and analyzing packets in real time and display the packet data in detailed and human-readable format.

#### v. Strace

- A diagnostic, debugging and instructional user space. It is used to print a list of system calls made by the program.

# 4.2.2 Hardware Requirements

**Table 4.1** shows the details of hardware requirement.

Table 4.1 Details of Hardware Requirement

Feature Jane	Specification
Manufacturer	Dell Inc. 48
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Model	Dell OptiPlex 7010
Processor	Intel Core i5 (3rd Gen) 3470 / 3.2 GHz
Memory (RAM)	2GB
Storage	250GB

# 4.3 Analysis Approach

In this section, both experimental and analysis design will be described as follows:

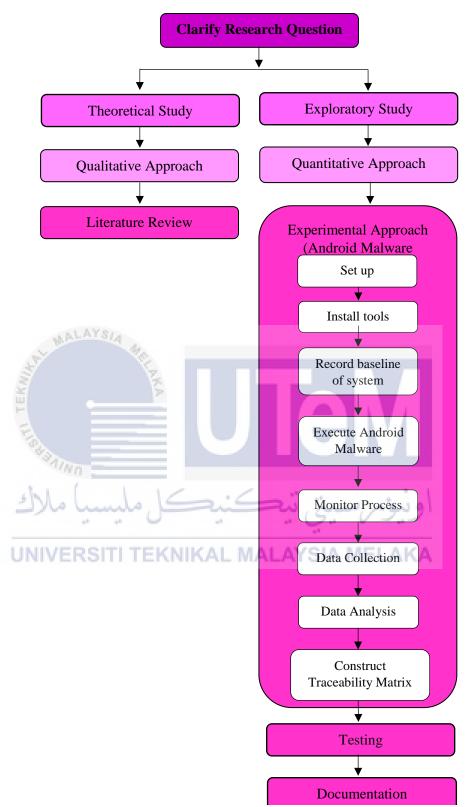


Figure 4.4 Analysis Approach

**Figure 4.4** shows analysis approach to carry out the process of constructing traceability matrix. Generally, this project implemented two type of study which is theoretical and exploratory study. In theoretical study, a qualitative approach is applied which is literature review while in exploratory study, a quantitative approach is applied which is experimental approach. The details of the experimental approach will be explained in Chapter 5 and Chapter 6.

# 4.4 Network Design

The experimental environment is designed for collecting and analyzing data.

# 4.3.1 Physical Design

**Figure 4.5** shows the physical design of this project. This design consists of a workstation and malware remote server as well as the internet is connected. Android malware will be activated in workstation while malware remote server is located in attacker site.

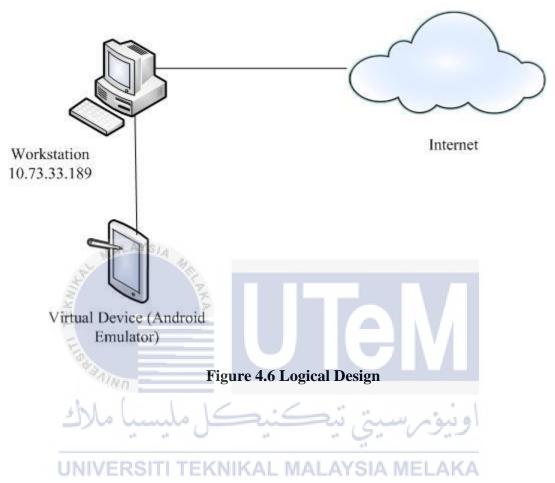


Figure 4.5 Physical Design

# 4.3.2 Logical Design

**Figure 4.6** shows the logical design of this project. This design consists of a workstation, a virtual device (Android emulator) and malware remote server as well as the internet is connected. Then, the workstation will capture the network traffic and system

call on Android malware. The comparison between baseline of the system and the infected system is carried out as to construct traceability matrix of Android malware.



# 4.5 Traceability Matrix Design

Generally, the proposed traceability matrix is to identify the relationship between the components of forensic investigation and the incident event discovered. As to make it real, first of all, "artifact types" are identified. For this project, artifact types are defined as sources of evidences which are network traffic, system call and logcat. The next step is the relation between those artifacts is defined. For this project, every source of evidences is mapped between each other. For example, network traffic is mapped to system call and system call is mapped to logcat. Lastly, a traceability matrix for each link between artifact types is constructed. In addition, the information from multiple matrices is combined into

a single one in order to make important information more accessible as drafted in **Table 4.2**.

**Table 4.2 Home Page** 

	DATA	Source 1: Network	Source 2:	
	NAME	Traffic	System Call	Source 3: Logcat
TEST				
CASE				
ID		<u>N1</u>	<u>S1</u>	<u>L1</u>
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This chapter had covered experimental design of this project and how this project is carried out in details. In chapter 5, the implementation of traceability matrix will be discussed.

# **CHAPTER V**



This chapter has been discussed about the experimental setup and the process of collecting traces from three different sources of evidences. The implementation that had been done is based on the previous chapter.

# **5.2 Environment Set Up**

Based on the design that had mentioned in Chapter 4, the actual environment will be set up as **Figure 5.1**. Firstly, Windows 7 is installed as the platform because most of the programs are able to run successfully on Windows 7. Secondly, since this project is using Android malware, Genymotion Android Emulator is the most suitable application as to activate Android malware on it instead of using real device. Lastly, Wireshark is installed as it has sorting and filtering option so the packets can be easily read as well as Busybox is installed as to read and capture the system call. The setting up of a controlled and sterile environment is undeniably essential for analyzing malware.

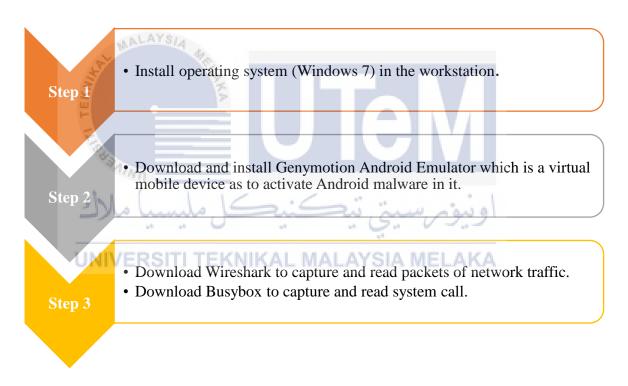


Figure 5.1 Steps on Environment Set Up

An isolated environment is needed as to prevent the malware outbreak the network connection when performing malware analysis. After that, this project will proceed with collecting traces in network traffic, system call and logcat.

#### **5.3 Process of Collecting Traces**

In this section, the process of collecting traces from network traffic, system call and logcat will be explained. This analysis is based on three malware which are AnserverBot, DroidKungfu and DroidDream. Based on these three malwares, common traces will be selected to construct the traceability matrix.

# **5.3.1 Process of Collecting Traces from Network Traffic**

Firstly, baselining the environment. "Baselining" means taking a snapshot of the existing environment. The elements of the environment that have to be baselined is network traffic. Sniffing software is used for this project. Any sniffing software running in lavish mode is sufficient for this project. Nevertheless, it is recommended to use a protocol analyzer like Wireshark to make this project easier. After activating the malware, the network traffic is captured and the differences between the new snapshot and the baseline snapshot are determined. In this project, only malicious URL is considered as malicious packet. To get the details of the URL, simply right click and select TCP stream. An appropriate display filter and pop up a dialog box with all the data from the TCP stream laid out in order, as shown in **Figure 5.4.** If there is no any malicious packets data, repeat Step 1 to Step 4 until the malicious packets are found. The process of collecting network traffic data is summarized as shown in **Figure 5.2**:

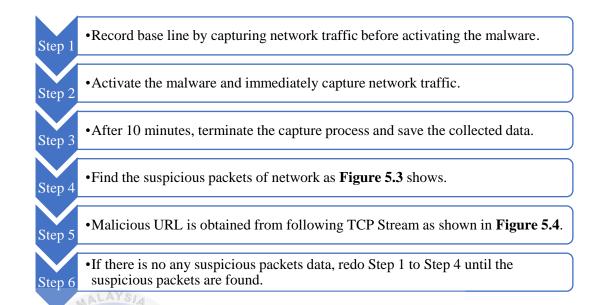


Figure 5.2 Steps of Collecting Data from Network Traffic



Figure 5.3 Request Method

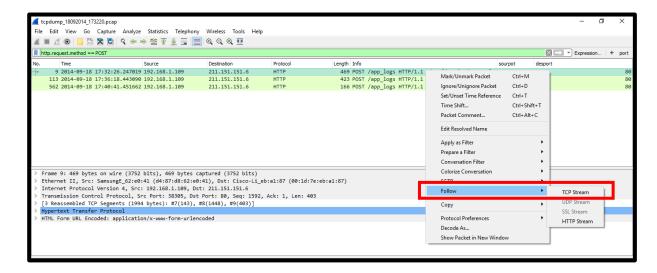


Figure 5.4 Follow TCP stream

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■ Wireshark · Follow TCP Stream (tcp.stream eq 3) · tcpdump_19092014_165558
                                                                                                                                            ×
 POST /v2/syc/android/a2.do?md5=686473c9b1459214aa1cf98d46f366&len=416&t=1&appsec=com.keji.danti623&sv=1 HTTP/1.1
Host: dev.adtouchnetwork.net
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 &HTTP/1.1 200 OK
 Date: Fri, 19 Sep 2014 08:57:07 GMT
Server: Apache/2.2.22 (Debian)
 X-Powered-By: PHP/5.4.4-14+deb7u14
Vary: Accept-Encoding
 Content-Length: 4862
 Keep-Alive: timeout=3, max=1000
 Connection: Keep-Alive
Content-Type: text/html
                                          TEKNIKAL MALAYSIA MELAKA
  <!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
 <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
              <head>
                             <link rel="icon" type="image/png" href="http://www.cloudns.net/images/web/favicon.gif" />
                            <style type="text/css">
                                          body {
                                                        font-family: Arial, Helvetica, sans-serif;
                                                        font-size: 14px;
                                                        color: #000:
                                                        background-color: #e7e7e7;
                                                        background-image: url("http://www.cloudns.net/images/web/bg.gif");
                                                       background-position: 0px 60px;
                                                       background-repeat:repeat-x;
                                                       margin: 0;
                                                        padding: 0;
                                                        text-align: left;
```

Figure 5.5 Domain Name

#### **AnserverBot:**

Figure 5.6(a) Domain Name (AnserverBot)

Based on AnserverBot, the malware attempts to request from b4.ccokier.co.cc:8080 as shown in **Figure 5.6(a)**. From this TCP stream, malicious file named com.keji.danti623 as can be seen in **Figure 5.6(a)**. As to make sure what the malicious file is actually did, it can be found in system call and logcat too by finding the malicious file name.

# **DroidKungfu:**



Figure 5.6(b) Domain Name (DroidKungfu)

Based on DroidKungfu, the malware attempts to request from *r2.adwo.com* as shown in **Figure 5.6(b)**. From this TCP stream, malicious file named *com.evilsunflower.farmer* as can be seen in **Figure 5.6(b)**. The information send to the C&C server are the IMEI number of the device 358843040915366, the device product's model Samsung GT-P6800 and the device phone number 60129031056. As to make sure what the malicious file is actually did, it can be found in system call and logcat too by finding the malicious file name.

#### **DroidDream:**

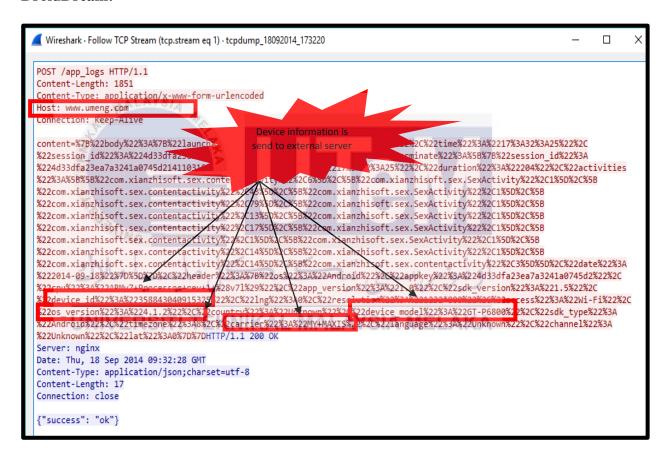


Figure 5.6(c) Domain Name (Droid Dream)

Based on DroidKungfu, the malware attempts to request from *www. umeng.com* as shown in **Figure 5.6(c)**. The information send to the C&C server are the IMEI number of the device 358843040915325, the device product's model Samsung GT P6800, Android version 4.1.2 and the device phone carrier MY MAXIS. As to make sure what

the malicious file is actually did, it can be found in system call and logcat too by finding the domain name.

It can be concluded that malicious traffic is identified when the malware did some http request since most of the malware do http request when performing malicious activities. Thus, the common traces from network traffic are shown in **Table 5.1**.

**Table 5.1 List of Traces in Network Traffic** 

Traces
IP address
Port number
Method
URL

# **5.3.2** Process of Collecting Traces from System Call

First, malware apk file is installed and launched in Genymotion Android Emulator. Some activities such as phone call, texting and browsing had made. Next, application is terminated and the data is collected. The data is opened with NotePad ++ as shown in **Figure 5.8(a)** and read line by line to identify the traces. The malicious activities such as access directory file, execute system file and change mode are identified. If there is no any malicious activity, repeat Step 1 to Step 4 until the malicious activity is found. The process of collecting system call data is simplified as shown in **Figure 5.7**:

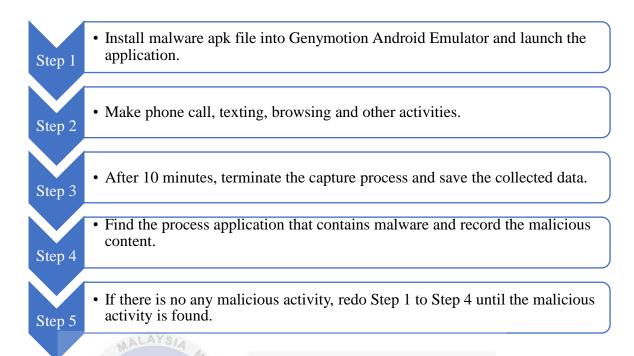


Figure 5.7 Steps of Collecting Data from System Call

#### i. Determine File Accessibility

The *access()* checks for the process whether would be allowed to read, write or test for existence of the file whose name is *pathname*. All the malicious file names was retrieved from network analysis as discussed in **5.3.1.** 

#### **AnserverBot:**

```
6667,1411117037.450045."futex"..1.3."0x409a569c"."0x81 /* FUTEX_222 */"."1 "....1.0.001481

6667,1411117037.452261, "access", "IO", 0,2,"""/data/data/com.keji.danti623/shared_prefs/first_app_perferences.xm1""", "F_OK",,,,,"-1",0.000094

6667,1411117037.452700, "open", "IO",0,9,"""/data/data/com.keji.danti623/shared_prefs/first_app_perferences.xm1""", "O_WRONLY|O_CREAT|O_TRONG|O_LARGEFILE", "O8

6667,1411117037.453104, "fstat64",,0,2,"74", "[st_mode=S_IFREG|O600, st_size=0, ...]",,,,0,0.000037

1550 6667,1411117037.453736, "write", "IO",0,3,"74", """<?xml version=\'1.0\' encoding=\'utf-8\' standalone=\'yes\' 2\\n<map>\n<int name=\""book_firstVisibleItem_i
```

Figure 5.8(a) Gain Access to a File (AnserverBot)

The *access()* checks for the process whether would be allowed to read, write or test for existence of the file named *com.keji.danti623* as shown in **Figure 5.8(a).** 

#### DroidKungfu:

Figure 5.8(b) Gain Access to a File (DroidKungfu)

The *access()* checks for the process whether would be allowed to read, write or test for existence of the file named *com.evilsunflower.farmer* as shown in **Figure 5.8(b)**.

#### **DroidDream:**

```
17872,1412306645.893636, "futex",,1,3, "0x409a269c", "0x81 /* FUTEX_??? */","1 ",,,,1,0.002234

17872,1412306645.896181, "writev",,0,3,"3","[[""\4"", 1}, [""UmAd SDK 2.1\0"", 13], [""[11:24:05]Ad loaded.-10-1\0"", 26]]","3",,,40,0.000126

17872,1412306645.896892, "access", "IO",0,2,"""/data/data/com.beauty.leg/files""", "F_OK",,,,,0,0.000091

17872,1412306645.897358, "open", "IO",0,2,"""/data/data/com.beauty.leg/files/6BGDA94B758249A59AB92CFALA855349""", "O_RDONLY[O_LARGEFILE",,,,,59,0.000079

17872,1412306645.898117, "fstat64",,0,2,"59", "[st_mode=S_IFREG[0662, st_size=126, ...]",,,,0,0.000053
```

Figure 5.8(c) Gain Access to a File (DroidDream)

The *access()* checks for the process whether would be allowed to read, write or test for existence of the file named *com.beauty.leg* as shown in **Figure 5.8(c)**.



# ii. Open the File

The *open()* function modifies pathname into a file descriptor. O\_CREAT will create file if the file does not exist while O\_LARGEFILE will support 32 bits when the files cannot be represented in 31 bits to be opened.

#### **AnserverBot:**

Figure 5.9(a) Open a File (AnserverBot)

Based on **Figure 5.9** (a), the *open()* function is trying to open database in file named *com.keji.danti623*.

# **Droid Kungfu:**

```
135 13908,1410665581.063927, "access", "IO", 1,2,"""/data/data/com.evilsunflower.farmer/shared_prefs/airpushTimePref.xml""", "F_OK ",,,,,"-1",0.000037
126 14042, """," "Interval 14042, ""," "Interval 14042, """," "Interval 14042, ""," "Interval 14042, """," "Interval 14042, ""," "Interval 14042, "",
```

Figure 5.9(b) Open a File (Droid Kungfu)

Based on **Figure 5.9** (b), the *open()* function is trying to open database in file named *com.evilsunflower.farmer*.

# DroidDream: | 132 | 5041,1411032760.276716, "rename", "IO", 0, 2, """/data/data/com.droiddream.sex/shared prefs/mobclick agent state com.droiddream.sex.xml""", """/data/data/com.droiddream.sex/shared prefs/mobclick agent state com.droiddream.sex.xml""", "O WRONLY | O CREAT | 134 | 5041,1411032760.278210, "open", "IO", 0, 3, """/data/data/com.droiddream.sex/shared prefs/mobclick agent state com.droiddream.sex.xml""", "O WRONLY | O CREAT | 134 | 5041,1411032760.289590, "ISTATO4", 0, 2, "42", "(st mode=5 IRREG| U6000, st size=0, ...)",,,,,0,0.0000043

Figure 5.9(c) Open a File (DroidDream)

Based on **Figure 5.9** (c), the *open()* function is trying to open database in file named *com.droiddream.sex*. **EKNIKAL MALAYSIA MELAKA** 

#### iii. Get the Information of File

The *fstat64()* or *stat64()* returns information about the specified file. The st\_size indicates the size of the file.

#### **AnserverBot:**

Figure 5.10(a) Get Information of a File (AnserverBot)

Based on **Figure 5.10** (a), the *fstat64()* function is trying to get information of the file named *com.keji.danti623* and the file size is 20480.

# **Droid Kungfu:**

```
648069 4918,1410661179.728745,"stat64","IO",0,2,"""/system/framework/twframework-res.apk""","{st mode=S IFREG|0644, st size=3613044, ...}",,,,0,0.000096
648070 4918.1410661179.730311,"stat64","IO",0,2,"""/data/app/com.glu.android.dineron-1.apk""","{st mode=S IFREG|0644, st size=3513246, ...}",,,,0,0.000070
648071 4918,1410661179.730311,"stat64","IO",0,2,"""/data/app/com.glu.android.dineron-1.apk""","{st mode=S IFREG|0644, st size=35014 1, ...}",,,,0,0.000066
648072 4918,1410661179.731095,"getpid",,0,0,,,,,4918,0.000051
```

Figure 5.10(b) Get Information of a File (Droid Kungfu)

Based on **Figure 5.10** (**b**), the *stat64()* function is trying to get information of the file named *com.glu.android.dinercn* and the file size is 35014.

#### **DroidDream:**

Figure 5.10(c) Get Information of a File (DroidDream)

Based on **Figure 5.10** (c), the *stat64()* function is trying to get information of the file named *com.droiddream.sex* and the file size is 437.

# iv. | | Change Permission Mode | MALAYSIA MELAKA

The *chmod()* is defined as the mode of the file given by path or referenced by file is modified. **Table 5.2** shows the digit and the type of permission.

**Table 5.2 Digit and Type of File Permission** 

Digit	Permission
0	None
1	<b>Execute Only</b>
2	Write Only
3	Write and Execute
4	Read Only
5	Read and Execute
6	Read and Write
7	Full

#### **AnserverBot:**

```
2486 6667 141117038 770977 "matrimeofday" 0 2 "(1411117038 7710331" "NHLL" 0 0 000059
2487 6667,141117038.771406, "chmod", "IO",0,2,"""/data/data/com.keji.danti623/databases/db.db""", "0660",,,,,0,0.000184
2488 6667,141117038.772545, "gettimeofday",,0,2,"(141117038, 772406), "NULL",,,,,0,0.000064
2489 6667,141117038.772927, "gettimeofday",,0,2,"(141117038, 773001), "NULL",,,,,0,0.000064
```

Figure 5.11(a) Change Mode of the System (AnserverBot)

Based on **Figure 5.11(a)**, 0660 is a permission of a file. First digit is 0 specifies none permission, the second digit is 6 indicates that the file is set read and write permission to owner, the third digit is 6 indicates that the file is set read and write permission only to group and the fourth digit is 0 indicates that file is set none permission to all other.

# **Droid Kungfu:**

Figure 5.11(b) Change Mode of the System (Droid Kungfu)

Based on **Figure 5.11(b)**, 0664 is a permission of a file. First digit is 0 specifies none permission, the second digit is 6 indicates that the file is set read and write permission to owner, the third digit is 6 indicates that the file is set read and write permission to group and the fourth digit is 4 indicates that file is set read only permission to all other.

#### **DroidDream:**

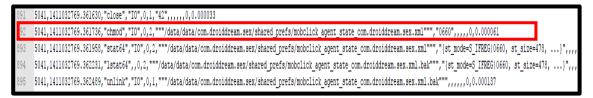


Figure 5.11(c) Change Mode of the System(DroidDream)

Based on **Figure 5.11**(c), 0660 is a permission of a file. First digit is 0 specifies none permission, the second digit is 6 indicates that the file is set read and write permission to owner, the third digit is 6 indicates that the file is set read and write permission only to group and the fourth digit is 0 indicates that file is set none permission to all other.

#### v. Write to the File

The write() writes up to *count bytes* from the buffer pointed *buf* to the file referred to by the file descriptor fd.

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#### **AnserverBot:**

```
80267 | 11119693.573407, "mprotect"..0.3, "0x40d58000", "4096", "PROT_READ"....0.0.000042

80268 | 11119693.573597, "write", "IO",0,3, "71", """getaddrinfo b4.cookier.co.cc ^ 1024 0 1 0\0""", "42",,,,42,0.000063

| 80269 | 11119693.573597, "mprotect",,0,3, "0x51f2e000", "3320", "PROT_READ[PROT_WRITE[PROT_EXEC",,,,0,0.000066]
```

Figure 5.12(a) Write to the File (AnserverBot)

**Figure 5.12** (a) shows write() is trying to write up getaddrinfo  $b4.cookier.co.cc^1024$  to the file referenced by the file descriptor which is 71 and the size of content is 42.

#### **Droid Kungfu:**

Figure 5.12(b) Write to the File (DroidKungfu)

**Figure 5.12 (b)** shows *write()* is trying to write up getaddrinfo *r2.adwo*^1024 to the file referenced by the file descriptor which is 65 and the size of content is 37.

#### **DroidDream:**

```
30028 5071,1411032978.060485,"mprotect",,0,3,"0x40d03000","4096","PROT_READ[PROT_WRITE",,,,0,0.000029
30029 5071.1411032978.060574."mprotect",0,3,"0x40d03000","4096","PROT_READ[",...0,0.000023
30030 571,1411032978.060659,"write","IO",0,3,"45","""getaddrinfo www.umeng.com ^ 1024 0 1 0\0""","39",,,,39,0.00
30031 5043,1411032978.060659,"urite*,,1,3,"0x40905090","0x61 /* folia. ??? */ , 1 ",,,0,0.022200
30032 5048.1411032978.061138 "signpocmask" 0 3 "SIG BLOCK" "[]" "[OUIT HSD1 DIDEL" 0 0 000028
```

Figure 5.12(c) Write to the File(DroidDream)

**Figure 5.12 (c)** shows *write()* is trying to write up *getaddrinfo* <u>www.umeng.com</u> ^1024 to the file referenced by the file descriptor which is 45 and the size of content is 39.

```
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vi. Renamë the File
```

The *rename()* changes the name or location of a file ,renames a file, moving it between directories if required. This activity only occurred in AnserverBot and DroidDream as shown in **Figure 5.13(a)** and **Figure 5.13(b)**.

#### AnserverBot

```
6667,1411117038.996456, "access", "IO",0,2,"""/data/data/com.keji.danti623/shared_prefs/first_app_perferences.xml."", "F_OK",,,,,"-1",0,0000075

6667,1411117038.996763, "access", "IO",0,2,"""/data/data/com.keji.danti623/shared_prefs/first_app_perferences.xml.bak""", "F_OK",,,,,"-1",0,0000031

6667,1411117038.996763, "access", "IO",0,2,"""/data/data/com.keji.danti623/shared_prefs/first_app_perferences.xml"", """/data/data/com.keji.danti623/shared_prefs/first_app_perferences.xml""", """/data/data/com.keji.danti623/shared_prefs/first_app_perferences.xml""", "O_WRONLY1O_CREATIO_TRUNCIO_LARGEFILE", "0600",,,,43,0.000162

6667,1411117038.996375, "fstat64",0,2,"43", "[st_mode=S_IFREG10600, st_size=0, ...]",,,,0,0.000030
```

Figure 5.13(a) Rename the file (AnserverBot)

#### **DroidDream**

```
5041.1411033028.742473, "access", "TO", 0,2, """/data/data/com.droiddream.sex/shared prefs/mobclick agent_state_com.droiddream.sex.xml"", "F OK", ..., "-1", 0,000043

51642 5041,1411033028.742872, "rename", "TO", 0,2, """/data/data/com.droiddream.sex/shared_prefs/mobclick_agent_state_com.droiddream.sex.xml"", """/data/data/com.droiddream.sex/shared_prefs/mobclick_agent_state_com.droiddream.sex.xml"", "U wkunlitu_txtatiu_ikunciu_takserilt", "veuu",,,,42

51643 5041,1411033028.743980, "fstat64",,0,2,"42"," "st_mode=S IFREG10600, st_size=0, ...}",,,,0,0.000037

51644 5041,1411033028.744725, "write", "TO",0,3,"42", """(xml version=\'11.0\' encoding=\\utf-8\' standalone=\\utf-8\' standalone=\\utf-
```

Figure 5.13(b) Rename the file (DroidDream)

#### vii. Read the file

The *read()* attempts to read up to count bytes from file descriptor fd into the buffer starting at buf. This activity only occurred in AnserverBot and DroidDream as shown in **Figure 5.14(a)** and **Figure 5.14(b)**.

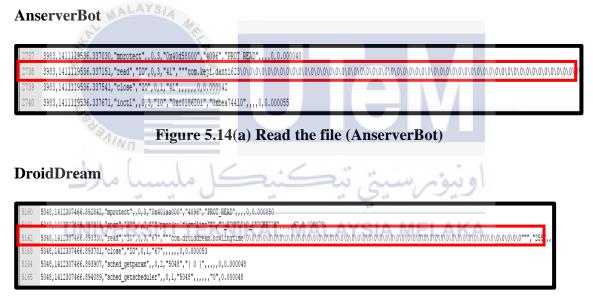


Figure 5.14(b) Read the file (DroidDream)

# viii. Receive a message from a socket

The *recv()* are used to receive messages from a socket. They may be used to receive data on both connectionless and connection-oriented sockets. **Figure 5.15 (a)**, **Figure 5.15 (b)** and **Figure 5.15 (c)** show *recv()* is trying to receive message from a socket.

#### **AnserverBot**

Figure 5.15(a) Receive a message from a socket (AnserverBot)

## DroidKungfu

```
4424 5018.1410660812.950166, "nextrimenfdav".0.2."1410660812. 950101"."NULL"...0.0.000047
44 5 5018.1410660812.950412, "recv",,0.4, "39", """POST /ad HTTP/1.1r\nContent-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded\r\nContent-Length: 127\r\nUser-Agent: Dalvik/1.6.0 (Linux; U; Android 4 44246 4918,1410660812.952791, "clock gettime", 0.2, "CLOCK_MONOTORIC", "[519, 11397624]",,,,,0.000049
44247 4918,1410660812.952994, "clock_gettime", 0.2, "CLOCK_MONOTORIC", "[519, 11471374]",,,,0.0000046
44248 4918,1410660812.953192, "recvfrom", 0.6, "40", "0xbe9bec98", "24", "64", "0", "0", "-1", 0.000052
44249 4918,1410660812.953389, "ioct1", 0.3, "10", "0xc0186201", "0xbe9bf478",,,,0.000034
```

Figure 5.15(b) Receive a message from a socket (DroidKungfu)

## **DroidDream**

```
50512 5071,1411032978.441329, "mrvotogr", 0.3. "CvESbe6000", "1783", "EDROT_DERDIDOT_EVEC", 0.0.000657

50512 5071,1411032978.441927, "recv",,0,4,"45","""POST /app logs HTTP/1.1\r\nContent-Length: 1797\r\nContent-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded\r\nHost

50513 5071,1411032978.442832, "recv",,0,4,"45","""content=$78$22body\22\83A\878\221aunch\22\83A\858\7B\222date\22\83A\8222014-09-18\822\$2C\$22\time\22\$3A\82217\$3A36\83F

5048,1411032978.448865, "mprotect",,0,3,"0x52bac000","280","FROT_READ[FROT_WRITE]FROT_EXEC",,,0,0.000050
```

Figure 5.15(c) Receive a message from a socket (DroidDream)

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#### ix. Execute the file

The *execve()* executes the program pointed to by *filename*. **Figure 5.16** shows *execve()* is trying to execute a program.

## DroidKungfu

```
52432 5023,1410660817,844858."close","IO",0,1,"4095",...,"-1",0,000018
52433 5023,1410660817.845011,"execve",0,3,"""/sbin/su""",[""su""]","[/* 14 vars */]",,,,"-1",0,0000153
52434 5023,1410660817.845515,"execve",0,3,"""/yendor/bin/su""",[""su""]","[/* 14 vars */]",,,,"-1",0,0000042
52435 5023,1410660817.845591,"execve",0,3,"""/system/bin/su""",[""su""]"," 14 vars */]",,,,"-1",0,000006
52435 5023,1410660817.845595,"execve",0,3,"""/system/bin/su""",[""su""]"," 14 vars */]",,,,"-1",0,000036
52436 5023,1410660817.845595,"execve",0,3,"""/system/bin/su""",[""su"]","[4" 14 vars */]",,,,"-1",0,000032
52438 5023,1410660817.845595,"execve",0,3,"""/system/bin/su""",",",",",","-1",0,000032
```

Figure 5.16 Execute the File

## x. Delete File

The *unlink()* deletes a name from the filesystem. **Figure 5.17(a)**, **Figure 5.17(b)** and **Figure 5.17(c)** show the function in the malware.

#### **AnserverBot**

```
42780 6667,1411117222.504263, "stat64", "10",0,2,"""/data/data/com.keji.danti623/shared_prefs/first_app_perferences.xml""", "(st_mode=S_IFREG10666, st_size=318, ...)",,,,0,0.000033
42781 6667,1411117222.504263, "stat64", "0.2,"""/data/data/com.keji.danti623/shared_prefs/first_app_perferences.xml hak""", "(st_mode=S_IFREG10666, st_size=318, ...)",,,,0,0.000035
42782 6667,1411117222.505239, "unlink", "10",0,1,"""/data/data/com.keji.danti623/shared_prefs/first_app_perferences.xml.bak""",,,,,0,0.000162
42783 6667,1411117222.505639, "unlink", "10",0,1,"""/data/data/com.keji.danti623/shared_prefs/first_app_perferences.xml.bak""",,,,,0,0.000162
```

Figure 5.17(a) Delete the File

## **DroidDream**

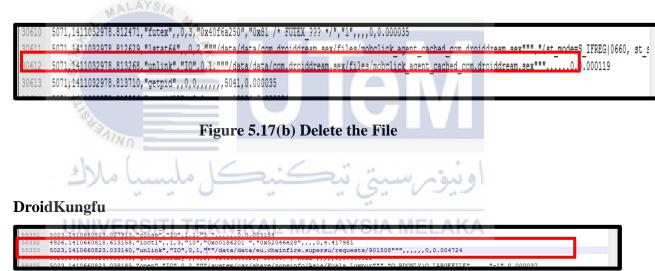


Figure 5.17(c) Delete the File

It can be concluded that malicious activities is identified when the malware was trying to accessing file, accessing database, change file properties and others. Thus, the common traces from system call are shown in **Table 5.2**.

**Table 5.2 List of Traces in System Call** 

Traces
Determine file accessibility
Open the file
Get the information of file
Change permission mode
Execute the file
Write to the file
Read the file
Rename the file
Receive a message from a socket
Delete file

## **5.3.3** Process of Collecting Traces from Logcat

The logical shows messages in real time and also keeps a history thus it can be viewed anytime. In this logical, malicious activity is identified as shown in **Table 5.4**:

UNIVERSTable 5.4 List of Traces in Logcat AMELAKA

Parameter
PID
Priority
Message

First, malware apk file is installed and launched in Genymotion Android Emulator. Some activities such as phone call, texting and browsing had made. Next, application is terminated and the data is collected. The data is opened with NotePad ++ and read line by line as to identify the attribute(traces) of the malware. The malicious activities are determined based on priority, message and PID. If there is no any malicious activity,

repeat Step 1 to Step 4 until the malicious activity is found. The process of collecting logcat data is simplified as shown in **Figure 5.18**.

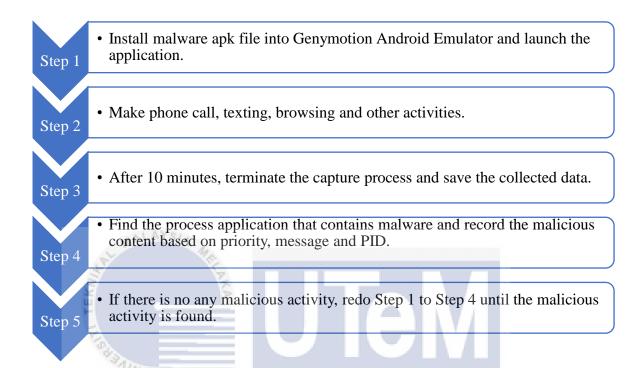


Figure 5.18 Steps of Collecting Data from Logcat

Based on Figure 5.19(a), Figure 5.19(b) and Figure 5.19(c), there are several priorities that include in this project which are I, W and D. I is info while W is warning and D is debug.

```
[ 09-18 15:58:19.320 2034: 2076 I/PackageParser ] com.droiddream.bowlingtime: compat added android.permission.WRITE_EXTERNAL_STORAGE
```

Figure 5.19(a) Priority, Message and PID (DroidDream)

```
[ 09-19 16:56:54.239 2028: 2075 W/PackageManager ]
Not granting permission android.permission.READ_LOGS to package com.keji.danti623 (protectionLevel=50 flags=0x8444)
```

Figure 5.19(b) Priority, Message and PID (AnserverBot)

Figure 5.19(b) Priority, Message and PID (DroidKungfu)

The tracing processes begin at network traffic followed by system call and logcat. This procedure is to identify the traces left in the sources. The tracing procedure for tracing the incident traces from network traffic begins with tracing the traces attributes mentioned in the proposed traceability matrix. The traces attributes are IP address (destination IP address and source IP address), port number (destination port and source port), time, protocol as well as domain name.

To show the correlation or relationship of the evidence of the incident discovered during the investigation process, the incident traces found from the tracing procedures are mapped.

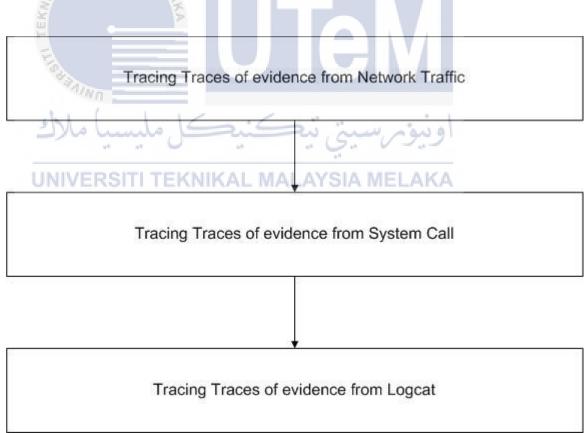


Figure 5.20 Tracing procedures for tracing evidence of malware incident.

As shown in **Figure 5.20**, the mapping procedures of the incident traces discovered from the tracing process. At first, the traces that are discovered from the tracing process are mapped within sources. The traces discovered in network traffic are mapped with the traces discovered in the same log. Second, the traces that are mapped from network traffic are mapped to the traces discovered in system call. Finally, the traces mapped from network traffic and system call are further mapped to logical as summarized in **Figure 5.21**.

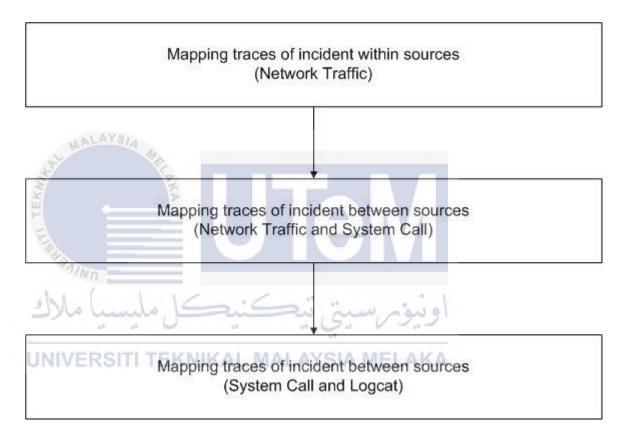


Figure 5.21 Mapping procedure for incident traces

#### **5.4 Conclusion**

Generally, this chapter discussed on experimental set up and process of collecting data in network traffic and system call. Besides, the malicious activities in both sources are identified. The result on this project will be discussed in the next chapter which is Chapter 6.

## **CHAPTER VI**



In previous chapter, process of collecting data from system call, network traffic and logcat in this project had been described. For this chapter, a discussion on conducting analysis and testing will be explained.

## **6.2 Test Organization**

The testing plan is organized to make sure the testing of the data set can be done in ordered way and able to achieve the objective of testing. The function of the traceability matrix is to map and trace the origin of digital crime. The purpose of testing phase is to test the usability of the traceability matrix by using another set of data. If the analysis result in Chapter 5 is similar as the output of traceability matrix, it means that the data had successfully tested.

## 6.3 Test Design

As mentioned earlier, the goal for testing phase is to test the usability and effectiveness of the traceability matrix. The effectiveness of this project is defined as the accuracy and the completeness whether this project achieves objectives or not while the usability is defined as the ease of use of the proposed traceability matrix as it compiled all the sources of the evidences in a file.

Firstly, network traffic is analysed and http request is filtered as shown in **Figure 6.1**. Next, TCP Stream is followed as displayed in **Figure 6.2**. From **Figure 6.2**, domain name is b4 cookier.co.cc:8080 and malicious file is com.keji.danti623. After that, malicious file is searched in system call as shown in **Figure 6.3** and it can be seen that the malicious is trying to access first\_app\_preferences.xml and the PID is 6667. Based on PID (6667)in logcat as displayed in **Figure 6.4**, the malicious file was debugged and the process named DebugListener.

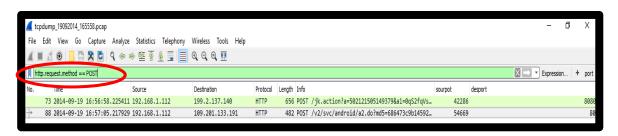


Figure 6.1 Filter HTTP Request

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Wireshark Follow TCP Stream (tcp.stream eq 2) · tcpdump_19092014_165558

POST /jk.action?a=502121505149379&a1=0qS2fqVs0qSLfqlBfNrB&c=5&c1=01_&d=4.1.2&d1=0vQs9wV_&e=samsung&e1=rCkgr430zY_&f=GT-P6800&f1=iLlgyJ7QfJS_&g=8&g1=PS_&h=35152205244927an1=TNyS0qV2fJy2o3_fsyf4&i=16&i1=fq7_&j=1411117017296&j1=fqJsfqjs0NSs0NVB0 n_&k=0&k1=fs_&l=0&l1=fs_&m=0&m1=fs_&n=0&n1&fs_&p=com.keji.danti623&o1=7CMg9IgRHIDOztkOutDCfwf_&key=fqlsfqjs0NSs0NvCfl_HTTP/1.1

Usp_-Agent: Dalvik/1.6.0 (Lingx; U; Android 4.1.2; GT-P6800 Build/JZ054K)

Host: h4.cookier.co.cc:88092
Connection: Keep-Alive
Accept-Encoding: gzip
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 0
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Figure 6.2 TCP Stream Result

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6667,1411117037,450045, "futex"...1,3 "0x400a56bc", "ox81 /* FUTEX ??? */","1",,,1,0.001481
6667,1411117037,452281, "access","IO",0,2,""/data/data/com.keji.danti623/shared_p.efs/first_app_perferences.xml"","F_OK",,,,,-1,0.000094
6667,1411117037,452708, "open","IO",0,3,""/data/data/com.keji.danti623/shared_prefs/first_app_perferences.xml"","O_WRONLY|O_CREAT|O_TRUNC|O_LARGEFILE","0600",,,,74,0.000155
6667,1411117037,453104, "fstat64",,0,2,"74","[st_mode=S_IFREG|0600, st_size=0, ...]",,,,0,0.000037

Figure 6.3 System Call Result
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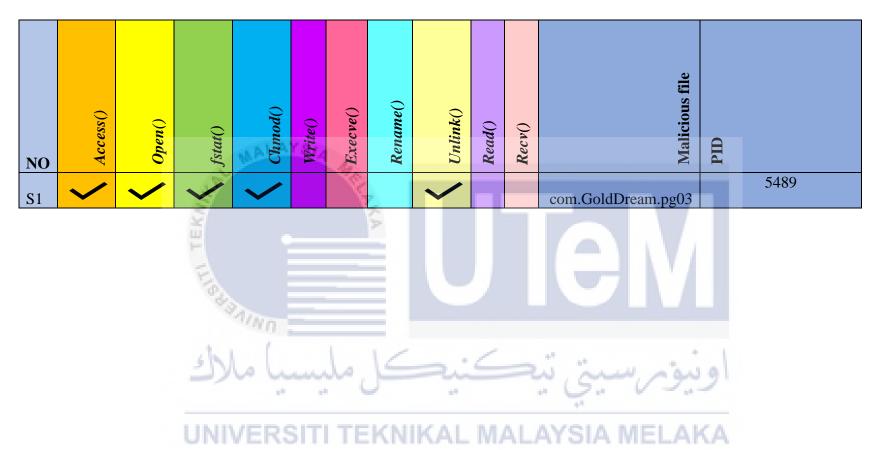
The test is done using GoldDream Android Malware. Basically, GoldDream has the capability to logs all incoming and outgoing phone calls and received SMS. The log captured is then sent to an external server. Device's information such as IMEI number, phone number and device's model are also captured and send to an external server. **Table 6.1** shows result from network traffic. It is proven that the device's information are captured and send to an external server which is ade.wooboo.com.cn. **Table 6.2** shows the result from system call. It is proven that the malware is associating with sms logging and accessing file. Table 6.3 shows the result from logcat. There are warning message and debug activity.

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**Table 6.1 Result from Network Traffic** 

NO	IP ADDRESS	LEY MALAYSIA	PORT		METHOD	URL	Description
N1	192.168.1.111	122.11.61.106	35979	DESTINATION 80	POST	ade.wooboo.com.cn	Device model: GT 9600 IMEI: Phone number: 60126731249
N2	192.168.1.111	122.11.61.106	کل مال 54663	80	POST POST	ade.wooboo.com.cn	

**Table 6.2 Result from System Call** 



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**Table 6.3 Result from Logcat** 

NO	PID	PRIORITY	MESSAGE
L1	5489	I	WebClipBoard
L2	5489	I	Ads
L3	5489	W	webview_proxy
L4	5489	D	WebCore

## **6.5 Conclusion**

As a conclusion, this chapter had discussed in-depth on result and analysis of this project. This chapter presented the proposed traceability matrix. Next chapter which is the last chapter in this project, a holistic conclusion will be discussed.



## **CHAPTER VII**



The whole analysis of this project will be summarized in this chapter. Besides, this chapter also included project contribution, limitation and future works.

## 7.2 Project Summarization

Nowadays, Android is replacing the need for a personal computer because it has same capabilities of traditional computer particularly when it offers the connectivity to various universal service. Furthermore, people tend to store as well as organize a vast range of business and personal, also make them constantly connected to the Internet. Even though the amount of data stored in Android is less than the amount of data stored in computer, the small amount of data can be a useful, crucial and beneficial

information. Thus, all of this information inside Android phone can be used as a source of evidence in digital forensic investigations.

Nevertheless, the ongoing increment of popularity of Android phone has cause a problem in discovering complex and enormous volume of evidence. Consequently, this bring to the difficulty in cross referencing and linking meaningful correlation between the incident events. In the past, only the scope of an attack became the main idea of the study rather than the actual attacker and assessing the liability of an organization without dealing with issue of origin identification and cross referencing in investigation process.

As a consequence, this project will construct the traceability matrix in android forensic investigation to identify the correlation between the components of forensic investigation and the incident event discovered. As to make it real, this project began with conducting an experiment, collecting and analysing the data that affected with android malware attack. The traceability matrix is constructed after the attributes and the correlation of the attack are identified. The construction of the traceability matrix is important to ensure the sources of evidences are fully covered and to understand the relationships of incident evidence in android forensic investigation process to fulfil the needs of defense industries and the law enforcer in identifying the sources of evidence.

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## 7.3 Project Contribution

As to establish the relationship between the sources and evidence traced, this new traceability matrix for digital forensic investigation will assist the practices (Digital forensic investigator, PDRM, CyberSecurity Malaysia). Hence, this traceability matrix helps the pratices in forwarding and present the evidence in the court of law in order to identify the offender of the crime.

## 7.4 Project Limitation

As we know every project has its limitation and constraint, for this project, the limitation and constraint are additional effort required to create and maintain the traceability matrix and update it regularly. Besides, capturing requirements traceability becomes complex and expensive as the source of evidence grows in size and complexity. In addition, manual traceability methods can lead to incorrect requirements traceability data.

## 7.5 Future Works

In future, the effectiveness of the evidence tracing is evaluated through calculation or algorithm to make the result more accurate. Besides, the number of sources also can increase the effectiveness of the traceability matrix.

## 7.6 Conclusion

As a conclusion, the traces have been identified and the traceability matrix has been constructed. Thus, the objectives of this project have been achieved.

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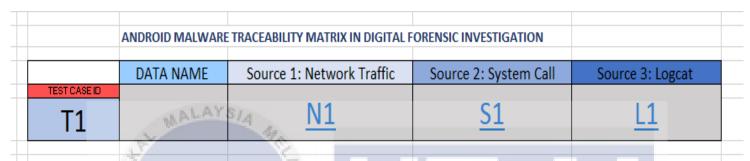
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## **APPENDICES**

## 1. HOME



## 2. NETWORK TRAFFIC

## **SOURCE 1: NETWORK TRAFFIC**

## **HOME**

NO		DDRESS		PORT	METHOD		HDI
NO	SOURCE	DESTINATION	SOURCE	DESTINATION	METHOD		URL
N1	2))\	, ahmin a	ŕ	- W. C	ومريس	291	
N2			- 4	. 9	. 0 -	a medi	
N3							
N4	UNIV	ERSITI TEI	KNIKAI	L MALAYSI.	A MELA	KA.	
N5							
N6							
N7							
N8							
N9							

## 3. SYSTEM CALL

# SOURCE 3: SYSTEM CALL

**HOME** 

HOWLE	WALAYS/4											
NO	Access()	Open()	EK.()	Chmod()	Write()	Close()	Rename()	Unlink()	Read()	Recv()	Malicious	PID
S1										1		
S2			B								IWI	
S3			9	. :								
S4				MIND.								
S5												
S6			5/	101.		. \<		• _	- i.	45	4 -24.0	
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S8										4.5		
S9			HMI	VERS	LITI:	FKN	JIKAI	MA	LAY	SIAI	MELAKA	
S10			W111				111 45 41	_ 11117 1		W 13 1	HELD (I O C	

## 4. LOGCAT

