

Objective--Network Traffic Forensics (Part 3)

Solution (or part of it)

The interesting parts of the app.js file are here.

```
const dev_mode = true;
const key_log_path = ( !dev_mode || __dirname + process.env.DEV + process.env.SSLKEYLOGFILE )
const options = {
  key: fs.readFileSync(__dirname + '/keys/server.key'),
  cert: fs.readFileSync(__dirname + '/keys/server.crt'),
  http2: {
    protocol: 'h2',          // HTTP2 only. NOT HTTP1 or HTTP1.1
    protocols: [ 'h2' ],
  },
  keylog : key_log_path     //used for dev mode to view traffic. Stores a few minutes worth at a time
};

function load_envs() {
  var dirs = []
  var env_keys = Object.keys(process.env)
  for (var i=0; i < env_keys.length; i++) {
    if (typeof process.env[env_keys[i]] === "string" ) {
      dirs.push( "/" + env_keys[i].toLowerCase() + '/' )
    }
  }
  return uniqueArray(dirs)
}
if (dev_mode) {
  //Can set env variable to open up directories during dev
  const env_dirs = load_envs();
} else {
  const env_dirs = ['/pub/', '/uploads/'];
}
```

We are looking for the SSLKEYLOGFILE, according to [HTTP/2 Decryption and Analysis in Wireshark](#). Sure enough, there is a line with exactly what we are looking for.

```
const key_log_path = ( !dev_mode || __dirname + process.env.DEV +
process.env.SSLKEYLOGFILE )
```

The environment variable is SSLKEYLOGFILE.

The function `load_envs()` takes all the environment variables, converts them to lower case and pushes them into a list. That is strange, but maybe it is trying to make the code scalable as the [environment variables article](#) suggests. You had better be careful with your environment variables if you do that.

The `if` statement opens directories to all environment variables if `dev_mode` is `True`. If `dev_mode` is `False` it opens the directories `pub` and `uploads`.

When we look back up to the constants, we find this, so the application is in `dev_mode`.

```
const dev_mode = true;
```

It appears our developer was not careful with the environment variables.

Therefore, the server should be opening a directory or file like the value stored in `sslkeylogfile`. Browsing to that directory gives us this, so it appears the file name is

http2packalyzer_clientrandom_ssl.log.



What a weird and wonderful (for attackers) that error message is!

However, `/opt/http2packalyzer_clientrandom_ssl.log/` looks strange. Let's go back to the constant that created that string.

```
const key_log_path = ( !dev_mode || __dirname + process.env.DEV + process.env.SSLKEYLOGFILE )
```

We know that `dev_mode` is `True`, so `!dev_mode` is `False`. The OR (`||`) is using short-cut execution. If the first part of the OR is `True`, the entire statement is `True` so the second part does not need to be executed. If the first part is `False`, the second part must be evaluated to determine if the statement is `True` or `False`. The second part is only executed when the first part is `false`.

Therefore, this is executed.

```
__dirname + process.env.DEV + process.env.SSLKEYLOGFILE
```

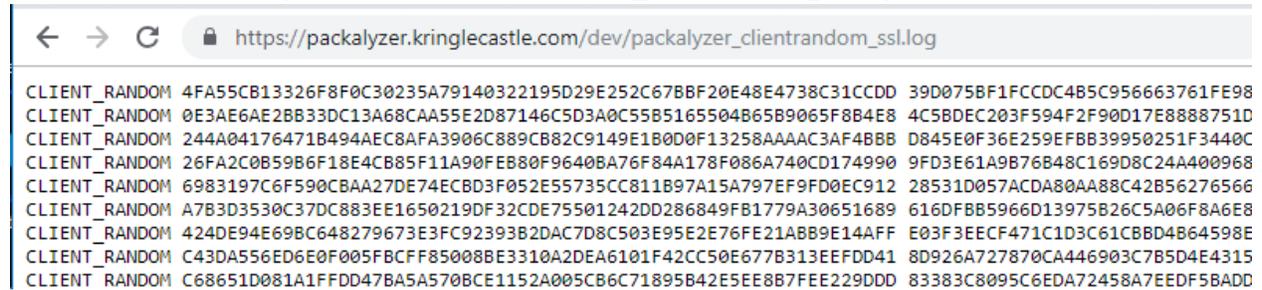
The internal function `__dirname` gives the current directory. Then `process.env.DEV` must give the value that the `DEV` environment variable points to. Finally, `process.env.SSLKEYLOGFILE` gives the value of the `SSLKEYLOGFILE`. So,

```
__dirname           is /opt/  
process.env.DEV    is http2  
process.env.SSLKEYLOGFILE is packalyzer_clientrandom_ssl.log
```

The missing `'/'` in the code we just examined makes `http2` look like part of the file name, but it is not. The file name is `packalyzer_clientrandom_ssl.log`.

We didn't find the file in the `/pub` directory. The `/opt/http2/` directories are local to the server, not what is published by the webserver. Let's hope the web directory is `dev/`; after all, there is a `DEV` environment variable.

https://packalyzer.kringlecastle.com/dev/packalyzer_clientrandom_ssl.log/



Yes! Copy the contents of the page and paste it into a text editor. We can move on to decrypting packets. Finally!

