

# Cross-platform reversing with Frida

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## Motivation

- Existing tools often not a good fit for the task at hand
- Creating a new tool usually takes too much effort
- Short feedback loop: reversing is an iterative process
- Use one toolkit for multi-platform instrumentation
- Future remake of oSpy

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**oSpy**

**oSpy**

Index	Type	Timestamp	FunctionName	ReturnAddress	Sender	Description	Comment
232	?	20:50:16	getaddrinfo	0x771c6575 [wININET.dll]	msnmsgr.exe [pid=3468, tid=2180]	nodename=login.live.com, servname=NULL	
235	?	20:50:16	getaddrinfo	0x771c6575 [wININET.dll]	msnmsgr.exe [pid=3468, tid=2180]	nodename=login.live.com, servname=NULL	
237	★	20:50:16	connect	CTCPNetworkLayer::ConnectToIP	msnmsgr.exe [pid=3468, tid=2372]	204.204.204.204:52428: connecting to 65.54.239.140:1863	
238	★	20:50:16	connect	0x771c818c [wININET.dll]	msnmsgr.exe [pid=3468, tid=2180]	0.0.0.0:3900: connecting to 65.54.183.202:443	
307	▶	20:50:19	send	CTCPNetworkLayer::Send	msnmsgr.exe [pid=3468, tid=2372]	10.0.0.11:3901: Sent 33 bytes to 65.54.239.140:1863	VER
310	▶	20:50:19	send	CTCPNetworkLayer::Send	msnmsgr.exe [pid=3468, tid=2372]	10.0.0.11:3901: Sent 72 bytes to 65.54.239.140:1863	CVR
313	▶	20:50:19	send	CTCPNetworkLayer::Send	msnmsgr.exe [pid=3468, tid=2372]	10.0.0.11:3901: Sent 32 bytes to 65.54.239.140:1863	USR
321	◀	20:50:19	recv	CTCPNetworkLayer::OnSocketRead	msnmsgr.exe [pid=3468, tid=2372]	10.0.0.11:3901: Received 33 bytes from 65.54.239.140:1863	VER
325	◀	20:50:19	recv	CTCPNetworkLayer::OnSocketRead	msnmsgr.exe [pid=3468, tid=2372]	10.0.0.11:3901: Received 197 bytes from 65.54.239.140:1863	XFR
327	▶	20:50:19	SecureSend	0x7721d77d [wININET.dll]	msnmsgr.exe [pid=3468, tid=2180]	10.0.0.11:3900: Sent 546 bytes to 65.54.183.202:443	<POST /RST.srf => 200 OK
329	▶	20:50:19	SecureSend	0x7721d77d [wININET.dll]	msnmsgr.exe [pid=3468, tid=2180]	10.0.0.11:3900: Sent 3525 bytes to 65.54.183.202:443	...POST /RST.srf => 200 OK...
335	✖	20:50:19	closesocket	CTCPNetworkLayer::OnSocketClose	msnmsgr.exe [pid=3468, tid=2372]	10.0.0.11:3901: connection to 65.54.239.140:1863 closed	
366	★	20:50:19	connect	CTCPNetworkLayer::ConnectToIP	msnmsgr.exe [pid=3468, tid=2372]	204.204.204.204:52428: connecting to 207.46.108.49:1863	
374	◀	20:50:19	SecureRecei...	0x7721dce9 [wININET.dll]	msnmsgr.exe [pid=3468, tid=2180]	10.0.0.11:3900: Received 25 bytes from 65.54.183.202:443	...POST /RST.srf => 200 OK...
396	▶	20:50:20	send	CTCPNetworkLayer::Send	msnmsgr.exe [pid=3468, tid=2372]	10.0.0.11:3902: Sent 33 bytes to 207.46.108.49:1863	VER

```
>> .z 307
>> 0000: 56 45 52 20 31 20 4d 53 4e 50 31 35 20 4d 53 4e VER.1.MSNP15.MSN
>> 0010: 50 31 34 20 4d 53 4e 50 31 33 20 43 56 52 30 0d P14.MSNP13.CVR0.
>> 0020: 0a
```

Node  
0 VER

Backtrace for #307 - send

```
msnmsgr.exe::0x45d4ef (CTCPNetworkLayer::Send)
msnmsgr.exe::0x45d5b8
msnmsgr.exe::0x45d6b1 (CMNSConnection::SendNetMsg)
msnmsgr.exe::0x88cf1c
msnmsgr.exe::0x48dd0d4
msnmsgr.exe::0x879460
msnmsgr.exe::0x4a9596
msnmsgr.exe::0x530070
```

Go to address in IDA

Close

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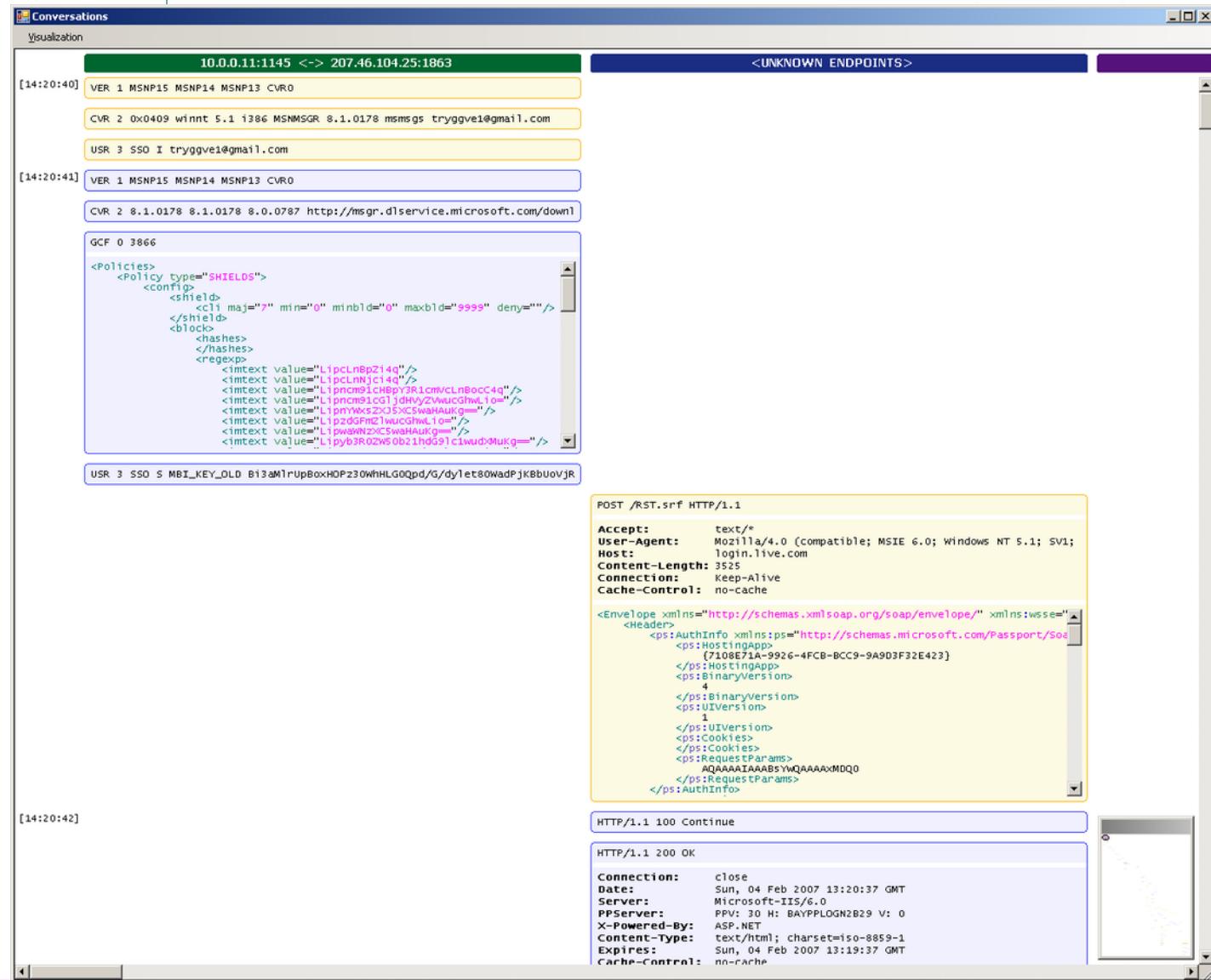
The screenshot shows the oSpy application interface. At the top, there's a menu bar with File, Edit, Capture, View, and Help. Below the menu is a search bar labeled "Filter:" and "Find: ASCII string". The main area is a table with columns: Index, Type, Timestamp, FunctionName, ReturnAddress, and Sender. The table lists eight network events. Row 3 is selected, highlighted with a blue background. The "Type" column for row 3 contains a blue arrow icon pointing right. The "FunctionName" and "ReturnAddress" columns for row 3 show "SecureSend" and "0x7123777b [WININET.dll]" respectively. The "Sender" column shows "iexplore.exe". The bottom half of the window displays a hex dump of the captured data. A yellow box highlights the string "ehfdfkgdgmio.us" which is part of the "FunctionName" field for row 3.

	Index	Type	Timestamp	FunctionName	ReturnAddress	Sender
	0		1:53:44 PM	getaddrinfo	0x71227d80 [WININET.dll]	iexplore.exe
	1		1:53:44 PM	connect	0x7122b945 [WININET.dll]	iexplore.exe
	2		1:53:44 PM	SecureSend	0x7123777b [WININET.dll]	iexplore.exe
▶	3		1:53:44 PM	SecureSend	0x7123777b [WININET.dll]	iexplore.exe
	4		1:53:45 PM	SecureReceive	0x71236ff7 [WININET.dll]	iexplore.exe
	5		1:53:45 PM	SecureReceive	0x71236ff7 [WININET.dll]	iexplore.exe
	6		1:53:45 PM	SecureReceive	0x71236ff7 [WININET.dll]	iexplore.exe
	7		1:53:45 PM	closesocket	0x7122c5b9 [WININET.dll]	iexplore.exe

```
61 70 61 63 68 65 2e 73 74 72 75 74 org.apache.struts.taglib.html.TOGNL=KEN=d3850acfd24746d7dfd333e04d5050f8&BV_SessionID=@@@@0890248298D=@@@@.1268113827@@@@&BV_EngineID=cckcadeildihlmkcfloc ehfdfkgdgmio.username=raymondcc&password=testpass123&action=Log
```

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oSpy



## What is Frida?

- Dynamic instrumentation toolkit
- Debug live processes
- Scriptable
  - **Execute your own debug scripts inside another process**
- Multi-platform
  - Windows, Mac, Linux, iOS, Android, QNX
- Open Source

## Let's explore the basics

### 1) Build and run the test app that we will instrument:

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>

Void
f (int n)
{
    printf ("Number: %d\n", n);
}

Int
main ()
{
    int i = 0;

    printf ("f() is at %p\n", f);

    while (1)
    {
        f (i++);
        sleep (1);
    }
}
```

```
$ clang hello.c -o hello
$ ./hello
f() is at 0x106a81ec0
Number: 0
Number: 1
Number: 2
...
```



2) Make note of the address of f(), which is 0x106a81ec0 here.

## Basics 1/7: Hooking f() from Node.js

```
'use strict';

const co = require('co');
const frida = require('frida');
const load = require('frida-load');

let session, script;
co(function *() {
    session = yield frida.attach('hello');
    const source = yield load(require.resolve('./agent.js'));
    script = yield session.createScript(source);
    script.events.listen('message', message => {
        console.log(message);
    });
    yield script.load();
});
```

```
'use strict';

Interceptor.attach(ptr('0x106a81ec0'), {
    onEnter(args) {
        send(args[0].toInt32());
    }
});
```

```
$ # install Node.js 5.1
$ npm install co frida frida-load
$ node app.js
{ type: 'send', payload: 531 }
{ type: 'send', payload: 532 }
...
```

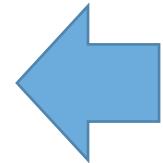


Address of f() goes here

## Basics 1/7: Hooking f() from Python

```
import frida
import sys

session = frida.attach("hello")
script = session.create_script("""
Interceptor.attach(ptr("0x106a81ec0"), {
    onEnter(args) {
        send(args[0].toInt32());
    }
});
""")
def on_message(message, data):
    print(message)
script.on('message', on_message)
script.load()
sys.stdin.read()
```



Address of f() goes here

```
$ pip install frida
$ python app.py
{'type': 'send', 'payload': 531}
{'type': 'send', 'payload': 532}
...
```

## Basics 2/7: Modifying function arguments

```
'use strict';

const co = require('co');
const frida = require('frida');
const load = require('frida-load');

let session, script;
co(function *() {
    session = yield frida.attach('hello');
    const source = yield load(require.resolve('./agent.js'));
    script = yield session.createScript(source);
    yield script.load();
});
```

```
'use strict';

Interceptor.attach(ptr('0x106a81ec0'), {
    onEnter(args) {
        args[0] = ptr("1337");
    }
});
```

```
$ node app.js
```

```
Number: 1281
Number: 1282
Number: 1337
Number: 1337
Number: 1337
Number: 1337
Number: 1296
Number: 1297
Number: 1298
...
...
```



Once we stop it  
the target is back to  
normal



Address of f() goes here

## Basics 3/7: Calling functions

```
'use strict';

const co = require('co');
const frida = require('frida');
const load = require('frida-load');

let session, script;
co(function *() {
    session = yield frida.attach('hello');
    const source = yield load(require.resolve('./agent.js'));
    script = yield session.createScript(source);
    yield script.load();
    yield session.detach();
});
```

```
'use strict';

const f = new NativeFunction(
    ptr('0x10131fec0'), 'void', ['int']);
f(1911);
f(1911);
f(1911);
```

```
$ node app.js
```

```
Number: 1281
Number: 1282
Number: 1911
Number: 1911
Number: 1911
Number: 1283
Number: 1284
Number: 1285
...
...
```



Address of f() goes here

## Basics 4/7: Sending messages

```
'use strict';

const co = require('co');
const frida = require('frida');
const load = require('frida-load');

let session, script;
co(function *() {
    session = yield frida.attach('hello');
    const source = yield load(require.resolve('./agent.js'));
    script = yield session.createScript(source);
    script.events.listen('message', message => {
        console.log(message);
    });
    yield script.load();
});
```

```
'use strict';

send({
    user: {
        name: 'john.doe'
    },
    key: '1234'
});

oops;
```

```
$ node app.js
```

```
{ type: 'send',
  payload: { user: { name: 'john.doe' }, key: '1234' } }
{ type: 'error',
  description: 'ReferenceError: oops is not defined',
  stack: 'ReferenceError: oops is not defined\n at Object.1
(agent.js:10:1)\n at s (.../node_modules/browser-pack/
_prelude.js:1:1)\n at e (.../node_modules/browser-pack/
_prelude.js:1:1)\n at .../node_modules/browser-pack/
_prelude.js:1:1',
  fileName: 'agent.js',
  lineNumber: 10,
  columnNumber: 1
}
```

## Basics 5/7: Receiving messages

```
'use strict';

const co = require('co');
const frida = require('frida');
const load = require('frida-load');

let session, script;
co(function *() {
    session = yield frida.attach('hello');
    const source = yield load(require.resolve('./agent.js'));
    script = yield session.createScript(source);
    script.events.listen('message', message => {
        console.log(message);
    });
    yield script.load();
    yield script.postMessage({ magic: 21 });
    yield script.postMessage({ magic: 12 });
});
```

```
$ node app.js
```

```
{ type: 'send', payload: 42 }
{ type: 'send', payload: 36 }
```

```
'use strict';

let i = 2;
function handleMessage(message) {
    send(message.magic * i);
    i++;
    recv(handleMessage);
}
recv(handleMessage);
```

## Basics 6/7: Blocking receives

```
'use strict';

const co = require('co');
const frida = require('frida');
const load = require('frida-load');

let session, script;
co(function *() {
    session = yield frida.attach('hello');
    const source = yield load(require.resolve('./agent.js'));
    script = yield session.createScript(source);
    script.events.listen('message', message => {
        const number = message.payload.number;
        script.postMessage({ number: number * 2 });
    });
    yield script.load();
});
```

```
'use strict';

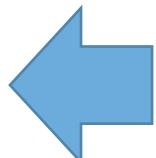
Interceptor.attach(ptr('0x106a81ec0'), {
    onEnter(args) {
        send({ number: args[0].toInt32() });
        const op = recv(reply => {
            args[0] = ptr(reply.number);
        });
        op.wait();
    }
});
```

```
$ node app.js
```

```
Number: 2183
Number: 2184
Number: 4370
Number: 4372
Number: 4374
Number: 4376
Number: 4378
Number: 2190
Number: 2191
Number: 2192
...
```



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## Basics 7/7: RPC

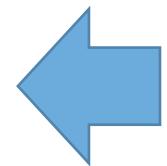
```
'use strict';

const co = require('co');
const frida = require('frida');
const load = require('frida-load');

let session, script;
co(function *() {
    session = yield frida.attach('hello');
    const source = yield load(require.resolve('./agent.js'));
    script = yield session.createScript(source);
    yield script.load();
    const api = yield script.getExports();
    const result = yield api.disassemble('0x106a81ec0');
    console.log(result);
    yield session.detach();
});
```

```
$ node app.js
push rbp
$
```

Address of f() goes here



```
'use strict';

rpc.exports = {
    disassemble(address) {
        return Instruction.parse(ptr(address)).toString();
    }
};
```

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# Launch and spy on iOS app

```
'use strict';

const co = require('co');
const frida = require('frida');
const load = require('frida-load');

let session, script;
co(function *() {
  const device = yield frida.getUsbDevice();
  const pid = yield device.spawn(['com.apple.AppStore']);
  session = yield device.attach(pid);
  const source = yield load(require.resolve('../agent.js'));
  script = yield session.createScript(source);
  script.events.listen('message', message => {
    if (message.type === 'send' && message.payload.event === 'ready')
      device.resume(pid);
    else
      console.log(message);
  });
  yield script.load();
})
.catch(console.error);
```

```
$ node app.js
{ type: 'send', payload: { event: 'call', name: 'CC_MD5' } }
{ type: 'send', payload: { event: 'call', name: 'CCDigest' } }
{ type: 'send', payload: { event: 'call', name: 'CNEncode' } }
...
```

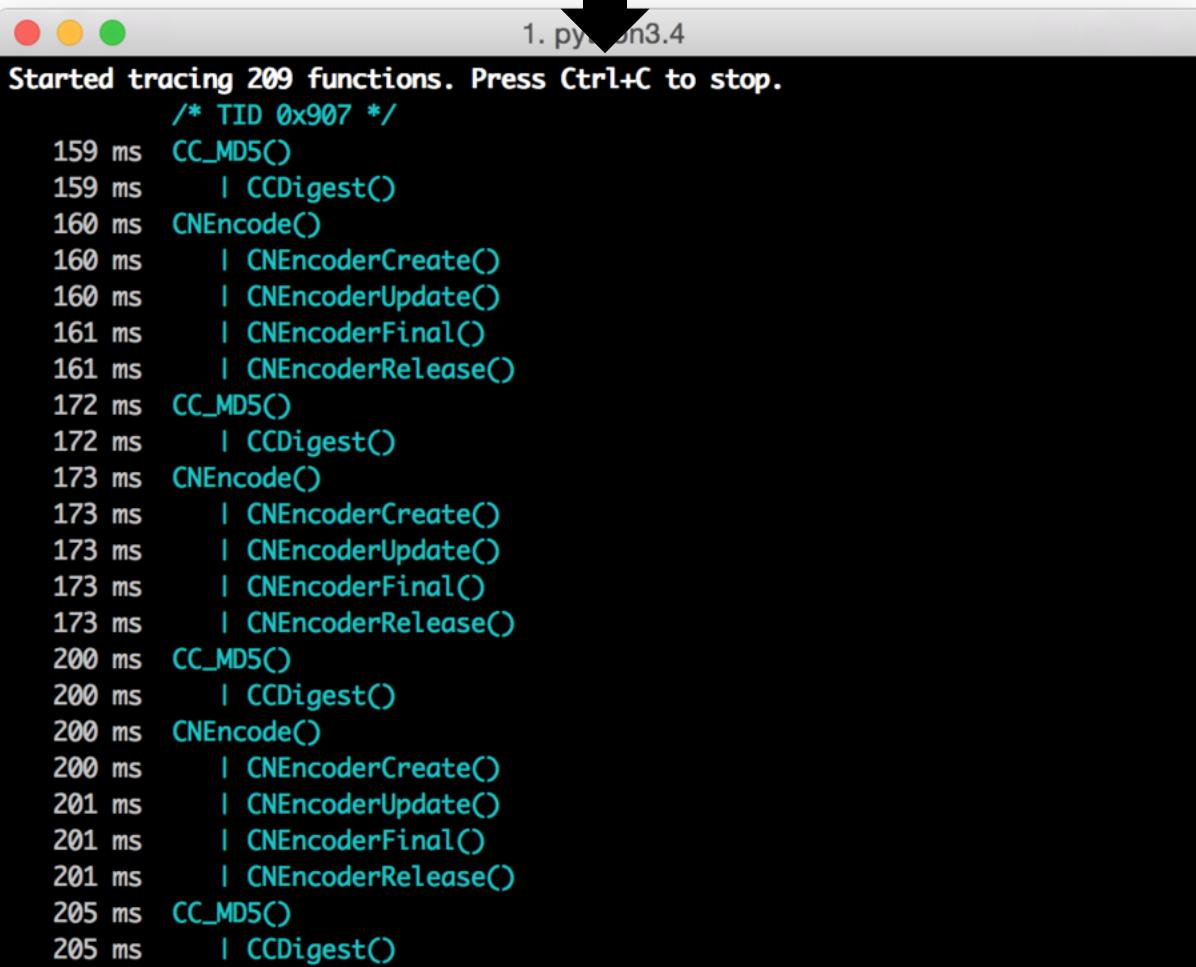
```
'use strict';

Module.enumerateExports('libcommonCrypto.dylib', {
  onMatch(e) {
    if (e.type === 'function') {
      try {
        Interceptor.attach(e.address, {
          onEnter(args) {
            send({ event: 'call', name: e.name });
          }
        });
      } catch (error) {
        console.log('Ignoring ' + e.name + ': ' + error.message);
      }
    }
  },
  onComplete() {
    send({ event: 'ready' });
  }
});
```

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## But there's an app for that

```
$ sudo easy_install frida  
$ frida-trace -U -f com.apple.AppStore -I libcommonCrypto.dylib
```



1. py on3.4

```
Started tracing 209 functions. Press Ctrl+C to stop.  
/* TID 0x907 */  
159 ms CC_MD5()  
159 ms | CCDigest()  
160 ms CNEncode()  
160 ms | CNEncoderCreate()  
160 ms | CNEncoderUpdate()  
161 ms | CNEncoderFinal()  
161 ms | CNEncoderRelease()  
172 ms CC_MD5()  
172 ms | CCDigest()  
173 ms CNEncode()  
173 ms | CNEncoderCreate()  
173 ms | CNEncoderUpdate()  
173 ms | CNEncoderFinal()  
173 ms | CNEncoderRelease()  
200 ms CC_MD5()  
200 ms | CCDigest()  
200 ms CNEncode()  
200 ms | CNEncoderCreate()  
201 ms | CNEncoderUpdate()  
201 ms | CNEncoderFinal()  
201 ms | CNEncoderRelease()  
205 ms CC_MD5()  
205 ms | CCDigest()
```

## Cross-platform reversing with Frida

# Dump iOS UI

```
'use strict';

const co = require('co');
const frida = require('frida');
const load = require('frida-load');

let session, script;
co(function *() {
    const device = yield frida.getUsbDevice();
    const app = yield device.getFrontmostApplication();
    if (app === null)
        throw new Error("No app in foreground");
    session = yield device.attach(app.pid);
    const source = yield load(require.resolve('./agent.js'));
    script = yield session.createScript(source);
    script.events.listen('message', message => {
        console.log(message.payload.ui);
        session.detach();
    });
    yield script.load();
});
```

```
'use strict';

ObjC.schedule(ObjC.mainQueue, () => {
    const window = ObjC.classes.UIWindow.keyWindow();
    const ui = window.recursiveDescription().toString();
    send({ ui: ui });
});
```

```
$ node --harmony dump-ui.js
<UIWindow: 0x15fe3ca40; frame = (0 0; 375 667);
autoresizing = W+H; gestureRecognizers = <NSArray:
0x17424c1e0>; layer = <UIWindowLayer: 0x17023dcc0>>
| <UIView: 0x15fd2dbd0; frame = (0 0; 375 667);
autoresizing = W+H; layer = <CALayer: 0x174432320>>
| | <UIView: 0x15fe64250; frame = (0 0; 375 667);
autoresizing = W+H; layer = <CALayer: 0x170235340>>
| | | <UIView: 0x15fd506e0; frame = (0 0; 375 667);
...
...
```

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## Hold on a sec, what if I have many phones connected?

```
2. bash
Oles-MacBook:~ oleavr$ frida-ls-devices
Id                                     Type    Name
-----
local                                  local   Local System
f4c5ba319e6df557eeb1f3736904585801a2dfe7 tether  iPhone
tcp                                    remote  Local TCP
Oles-MacBook:~ oleavr$ frida-ps -D local | head -5
  PID  Name
-----
  67711 1Password mini
    568 AirPlayUIAgent
  54853 BezelUIServer
Oles-MacBook:~ oleavr$ frida-ps -D f4c5ba319e6df557eeb1f3736904585801a2dfe7 | he
ad -5
  PID  Name
-----
  6258 Cydia
  5250 EasyPark
  2006 Hangouts
Oles-MacBook:~ oleavr$
```

# Which apps are installed?

```
2. bash
Oles-MacBook:~ oleavr$ frida-ps -Uai
  PID  Name                                Identifier
----- -----
  6258 Cydia                               com.saurik.Cydia
  5250 EasyPark                            net.easypark.app
  2006 Hangouts                            com.google.hangouts
  6172 I R C Cloud                         com irccloud.IRCCloud
  6111 LinkedIn                            com.linkedin.LinkedIn
   559 Mail                                com.apple.mobilemail
  6418 Messenger                           com.facebook.Messenger
  1666 Safari                               com.apple.mobilesafari
  5962 Settings                            com.apple.Preferences
  2313 Slack                               com.tinyspeck.chatlyio
  6012 Snapchat                            com.toyopagroup.picaboo
  6053 WhatsApp                           net.whatsapp.WhatsApp
    - 1Password                            com.agilebits.onepassword-ios
    - Activity                             com.apple.Fitness
    - Afterlight                           com.simonfilip.AfterGlow
    - Airbnb                               com.airbnb.app
    - App Store                            com.apple.AppStore
    - Authenticator                       com.google.Authenticator
    - BMSSM                                com.cactosapp.aai
    - BankID                               no.bankid.client
    - BensinPris                          no.bitfactory.BensinPris.Release
    - Big Day                              com.whatisid.bigday
```

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## Speaking of apps, we also have a REPL:



1. Python

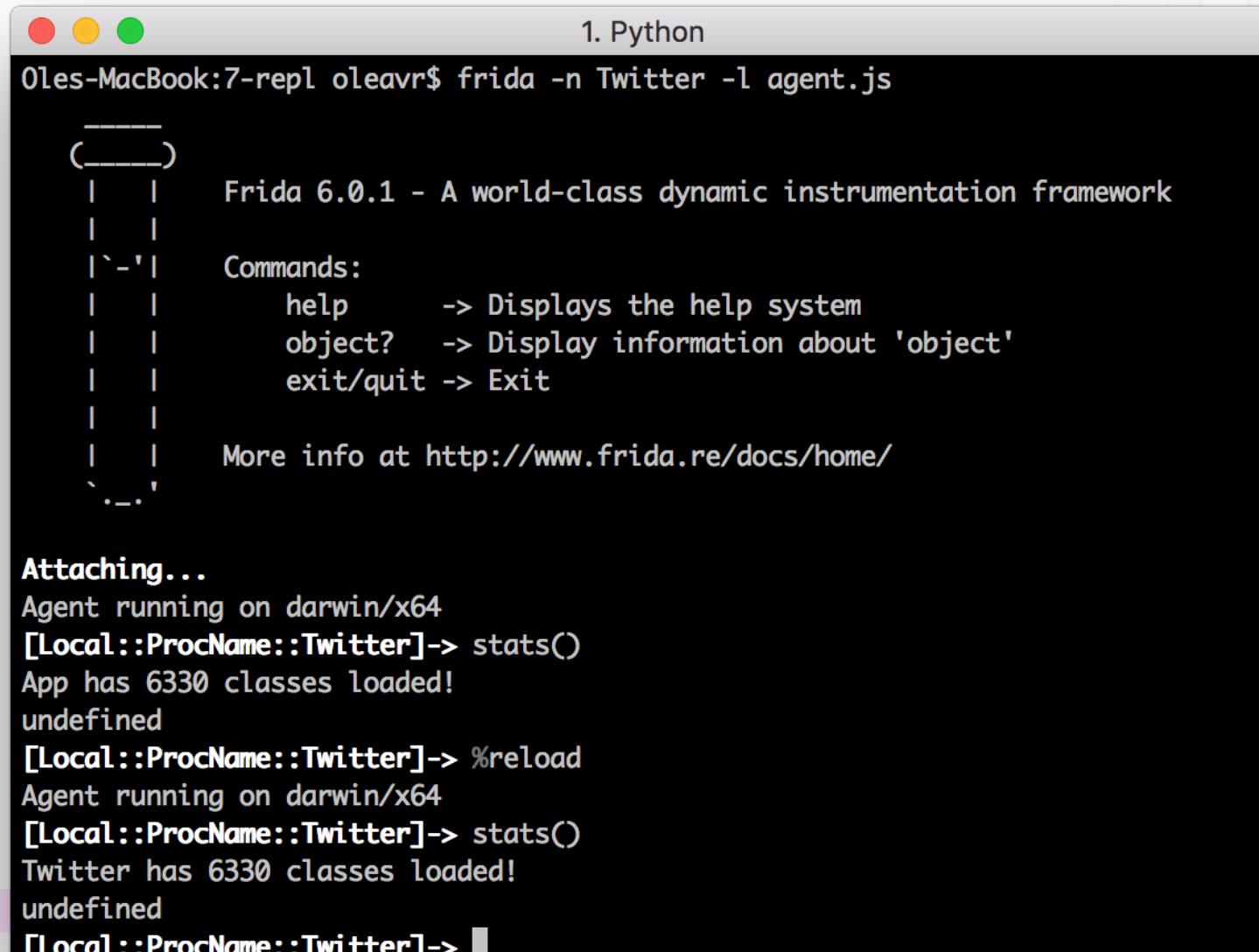
Oles-MacBook:~ oleavr\$ frida Twitter

-----  
| | Frida 6.0.1 - A world-class dynamic instrumentation framework  
| |  
| | Commands:  
| | help > Displays the help system  
| | object? > Display information about 'object'  
| | exit/quit > Exit  
| |  
| | More info at <http://www.frida.re/docs/home/>  
| |  
| |

[Local:::ProcName::Twitter]-> ObjC.classes.  
ABActiveTextRanges  
ABBackgroundProxy  
ABCAnimationCallbackDelegate  
ABFileManager  
ABFlavoredRange  
ABGPS  
ABGPSRequestInfo  
ABGroupedRowView  
ABHTTPMultipartFormData

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## The REPL is your best friend for prototyping scripts



Oles-MacBook:7-repl oleavr\$ frida -n Twitter -l agent.js

1. Python

```
(-->) |   |   Frida 6.0.1 - A world-class dynamic instrumentation framework
|`-'|   Commands:
|   |     help      -> Displays the help system
|   |     object?   -> Display information about 'object'
|   |     exit/quit -> Exit
|`-'|   More info at http://www.frida.re/docs/home/
`-->
```

**Attaching...**

Agent running on darwin/x64

[Local:::ProcName::Twitter]-> stats()

App has 6330 classes loaded!

undefined

[Local:::ProcName::Twitter]-> %reload

Agent running on darwin/x64

[Local:::ProcName::Twitter]-> stats()

Twitter has 6330 classes loaded!

undefined

[Local:::ProcName::Twitter]->

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# Uninstall iOS app

```
'use strict';

const LSApplicationWorkspace = ObjC.classes.LSApplicationWorkspace;
const onProgress = new ObjC.Block({
  retType: 'void',
  argTypes: ['object'],
  implementation: (progress) => {
    console.log('onProgress: ' + progress);
  }
});
function uninstall(appId) {
  const workspace = LSApplicationWorkspace.defaultWorkspace();
  return workspace.uninstallApplication_withOptions_usingBlock_(appId, null, onProgress);
}
```

```
$ frida -U SpringBoard -l agent.js
```

## Interacting with Objective-C

- *ObjC.available* – is the runtime present?
- *new ObjC.Object(ptr('0x1234'))* – interact with object at 0x1234
- *ObjC.classes* – all loaded classes
  - *Object.keys(ObjC.classes)* to list all names
  - *if ('UIView' in ObjC.classes)* to check for class presence
- *ObjC.protocols* – all loaded protocols
- *[NSURL URLWithString:foo relativeToURL:bar]* translates to  
*ObjC.classes.NSURL.URLWithString\_relativeToURL\_(foo, bar)*
- *NSURL['- setResourceValues:error:]* to access instance methods from its class
- Assign to *.implementation* to replace a method
- *ObjC.choose()* – scan heap looking for Objective-C instances

## Hooking Objective-C methods

The swizzling way:

```
const method = ObjC.classes.AVAudioSession['- setCategory:error:'];
const originalImpl = method.implementation;
method.implementation = ObjC.implement(method, function (self, sel, category, error) {
    return originalImpl(self, self, category, error);
});
```

The low-level way:

```
const method = ObjC.classes.AVAudioSession['- setCategory:error:'];
Interceptor.attach(method.implementation, {
    onEnter(args) {
    },
    onLeave(retval) {
    }
});
```

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# Android instrumentation

```
'use strict';

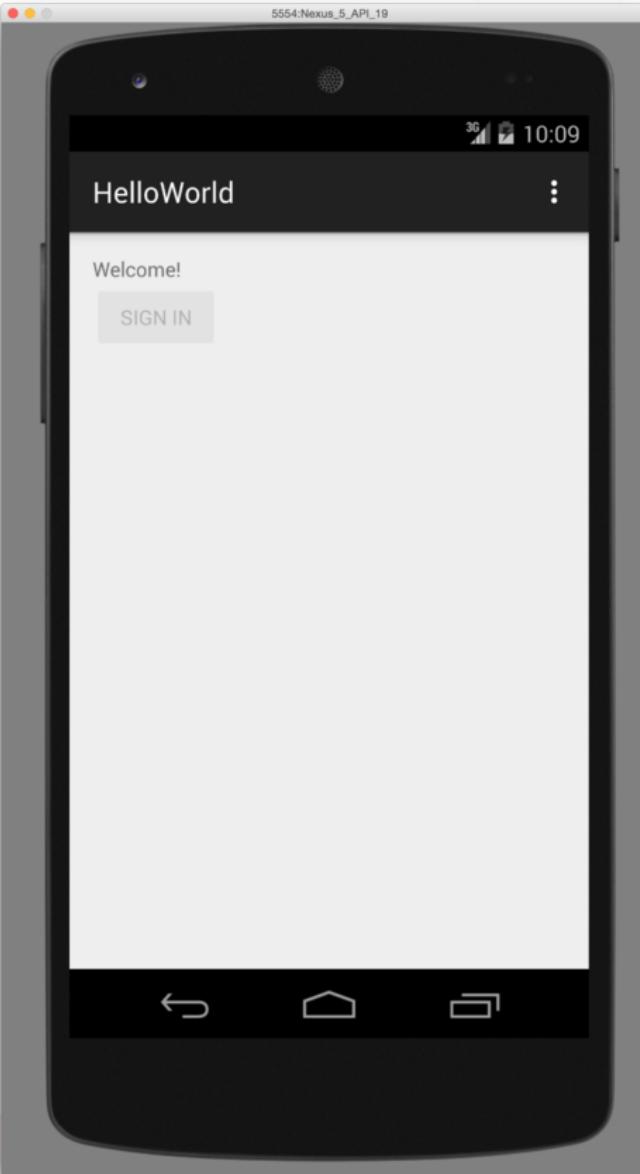
const co = require('co');
const frida = require('frida');
const load = require('frida-load');

let session, script;
co(function *() {
  const device = yield frida.getUsbDevice();
  session = yield device.attach('re.frida.helloworld');
  const source = yield load(require.resolve('./agent.js'));
  script = yield session.createScript(source);
  script.events.listen('message', message => {
    console.log(message);
  });
  yield script.load();
});


```

```
'use strict';

Dalvik.perform(() => {
  const MainActivity = Dalvik.use(
    're.frida.helloworld.MainActivity');
  MainActivity.isRegistered.implementation = () => {
    console.log('isRegistered() w00t');
    return true;
  };
});
```



## Interacting with Java

- *Java.available* – is the runtime present?
- *Java.perform(fn)* – interact with the Java VM from the given callback
- *Java.cast(ptr('0x1234')), Java.use("android.os.Handler"))* – interact with object at 0x1234
- Constructors are exposed as *\$new()*, and overloads can be selected as with any methods:  
*Handler.\$new.overload("android.os.Looper").call(Handler, looper)*
- *Java.enumerateLoadedClasses()* – all loaded classes
- Assign to *.implementation* to replace a method
- *Java.choose()* – scan heap looking for Java instances

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## Hooking Java methods

```
const Handler = classFactory.use("android.os.Handler");

Handler.dispatchMessage.implementation = function (msg) {
    // Chain up to the original implementation
    this.dispatchMessage(msg);
};
```

## Early instrumentation

1. `pid = frida.spawn(["/bin/ls"])`
2. `session = frida.attach(pid)`
3. `script = session.create_script("your script")`
4. <apply instrumentation> – recommend RPC for this: `script.exports.init()`
5. `frida.resume(pid)` – application's main thread will enter `main()`

For mobile apps specify its identifier: `spawn(["com.apple.AppStore"])`

Forgot what it was? Use `frida-ps -ai`

## How about implicitly spawned processes? Enter spawn gating!

1. *device.on('spawned', on\_spawned)*
2. *device.enable\_spawn\_gating()*
3. *device.enumerate\_pending\_spawns()*

Examples:

<https://gist.github.com/oleavr/ae7bcbbb9179852a4731>

Only implemented for iOS and Android.

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# Backtraces

```
'use strict';

Interceptor.attach(Module.findExportByName('libSystem.B.dylib', 'connect'), {
  onEnter() {
    console.log('connect called from:\n\t' +
      Thread.backtrace(this.context, Backtracer.ACCURATE).join('\n\t'));
  }
});
```

```
$ frida -n Spotify -l agent.js
[Local:::PID:::66872]-> connect called
from: 0x106de3a36
       0x106de6851
       0x10753d092
       0x10753ecd1
```

## Backtraces with debug symbols

```
'use strict';

Interceptor.attach(Module.findExportByName('libSystem.B.dylib', 'connect'), {
  onEnter() {
    console.log('connect called from:\n\t' +
    Thread.backtrace(this.context, Backtracer.ACCURATE).join('\n\t'));
  }
});
```

```
$ frida -n Spotify -l agent.js
[Local:::ProcName::Twitter]-> connect called from:
  0x7fff9b5dd6b1 libsystem_network.dylib!get_host_counts
  0x7fff9b60ee4f libsystem_network.dylib!tcp_connection_destination_create
  0x7fff9b5e2eb7 libsystem_network.dylib!tcp_connection_destination_add
  0x7fff9b5e2e5a libsystem_network.dylib!__tcp_connection_start_host_block_invoke
  0x7fff9b6079a5 libsystem_network.dylib!tcp_connection_host_resolve_result
  0x7fff9ece7fe0 libsystem_dnssd.dylib!handle_addrinfo_response
```

## Best practices

- Use Node.js bindings to *frida-load* your agent.js so you can:
  - Split your script into multiple files
  - Use Frida modules from the community
  - Reuse thousands of modules from npm
- Use ES6 features to write modern JavaScript – Frida support it
- REPL is great for prototyping with -l and %reload

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# Injecting errors

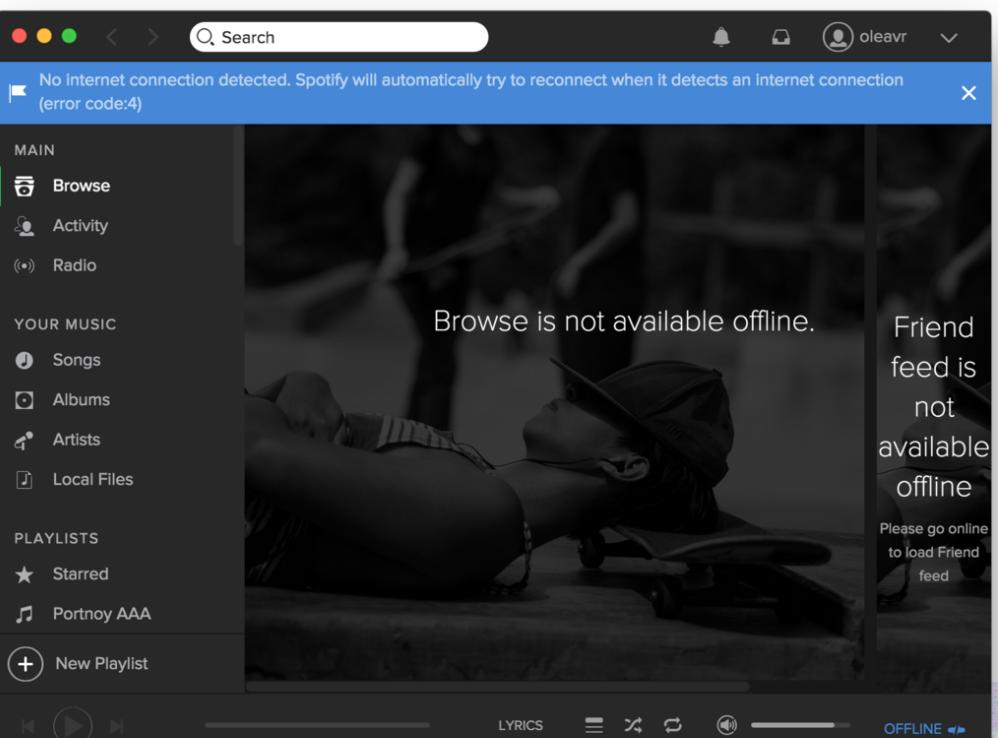
```
'use strict';

const co = require('co');
const frida = require('frida');
const load = require('frida-load');

let session, script;
co(function *() {
    session = yield frida.attach(process.argv[2]);
    const source = yield load(require.resolve('./agent.js'));
    script = yield session.createScript(source);
    script.events.listen('message', message => {
        console.log(message);
    });
    yield script.load();
})
.catch(console.error);
```

```
Interceptor.replace(connect,
    new NativeCallback((socket, address, addressLen) => {
...
    if (port === 80 || port === 443 || port === 4070) {
        this(errno = ECONNREFUSED);
        return -1;
    } else {
        return connect(socket, address, addressLen);
    }
});
```

```
$ node app.js Spotify
connect() family=2 ip=78.31.9.101 port=80 blocking!
connect() family=2 ip=193.182.7.242 port=80 blocking!
connect() family=2 ip=194.132.162.4 port=443 blocking!
connect() family=2 ip=194.132.162.4 port=80 blocking!
connect() family=2 ip=194.132.162.212 port=80 blocking!
connect() family=2 ip=194.132.162.196 port=4070 blocking!
connect() family=2 ip=193.182.7.226 port=443 blocking!
```



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# All calls between two recv() calls

```
'use strict';

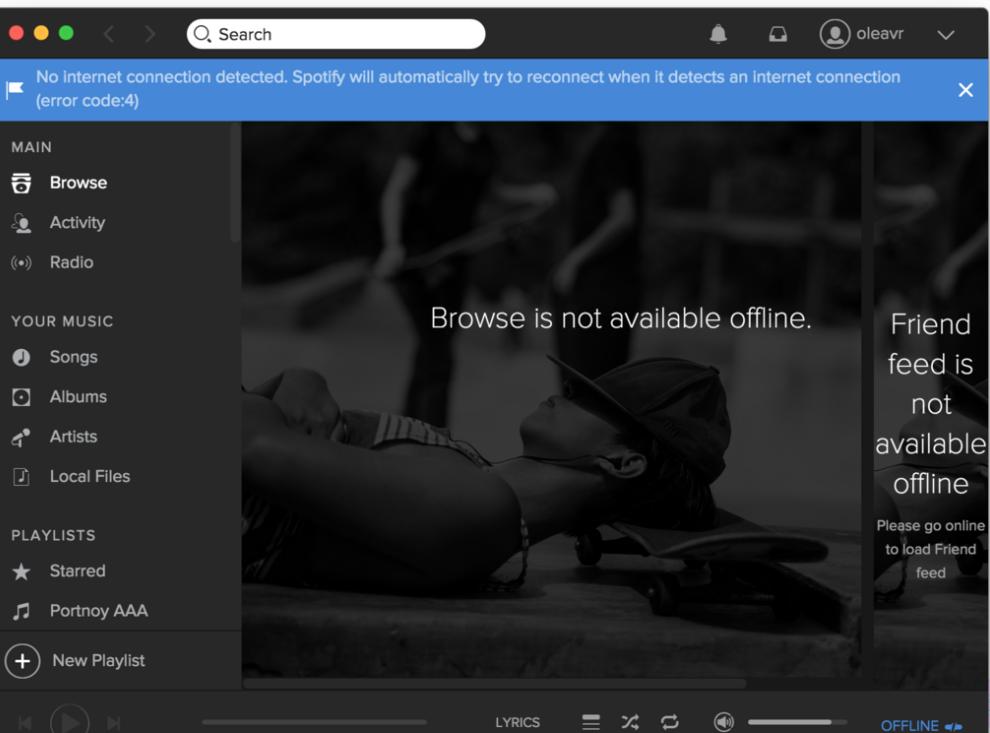
const co = require('co');
const frida = require('frida');
const load = require('frida-load');

co(function *() {
  ...
  yield script.load();
});
```

```
'use strict';

...
Stalker.follow({
  events: {
    call: true
  },
  onReceive(events) {
    blobs.push(events);
    if (state === COLLECTING) {
      sendResult();
      state = DONE;
    }
  }
});
```

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```



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## Questions?

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# Thanks!

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<https://groups.google.com/d/forum/frida-dev>