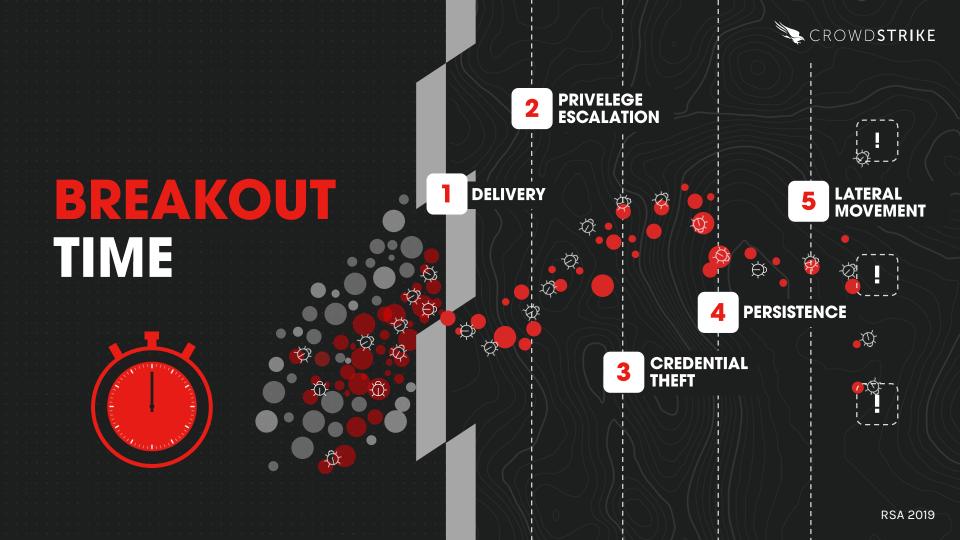
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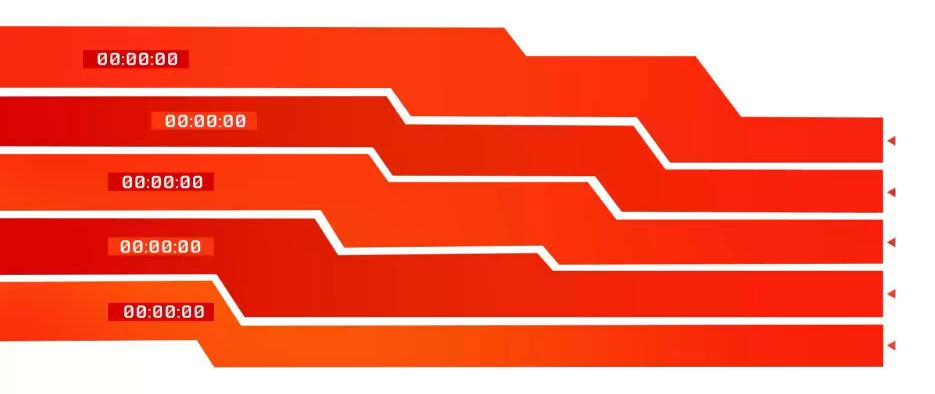
NAMING CONVENTIONS





ADVERSARY	CATEGORY / NATION STATE
LEOPARD	PAKISTAN
PANDA	CHINA
BEAR	RUSSIA
CRANE	SOUTH KOREA
BUFFALO	VIETNAM

BREAKOUT TIME BY ADVERSARY











HACKING EXPOSED HACKING MACS



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WICKED PANDA INTRUSION

All Mac-based intrusion

- Pivoted from system to system by compromising one machine
- Some passwords stolen via spear-phishing
- 5 systems traversed within 4 hours including a build server





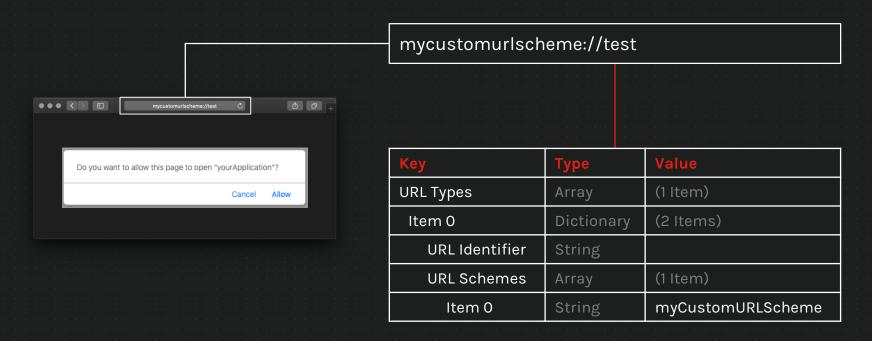
WINDY BAT INTRUSION

- Unattributed adversary referred to industry by Windshift
- Typically targeted individuals, often with Middle East nexus
- Known for interesting Mac hacking tradecraft

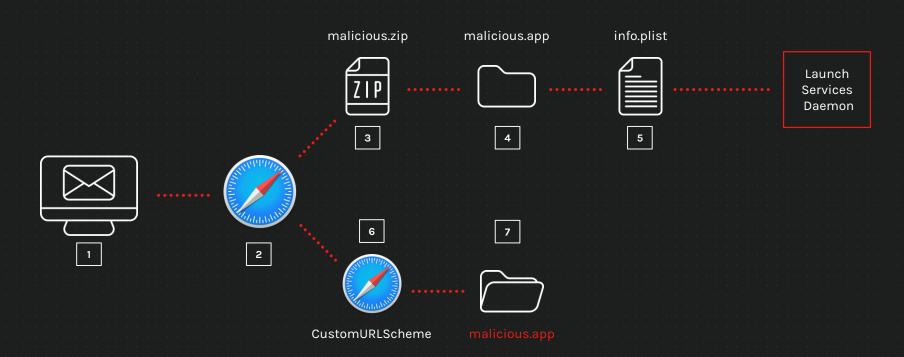




DELIVERY URL SCHEMES







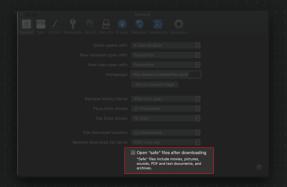


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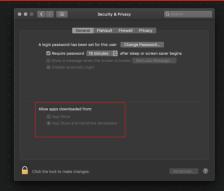
DELIVERY COUNTERMEASURES

URL Schemes



Disable the option in Safari to "Open "safe" files after downloading"

Gatekeeper



System Preferences > Security & Privacy > Allow apps downloaded from App Store, App Store and identified developers

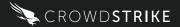
Office Macros



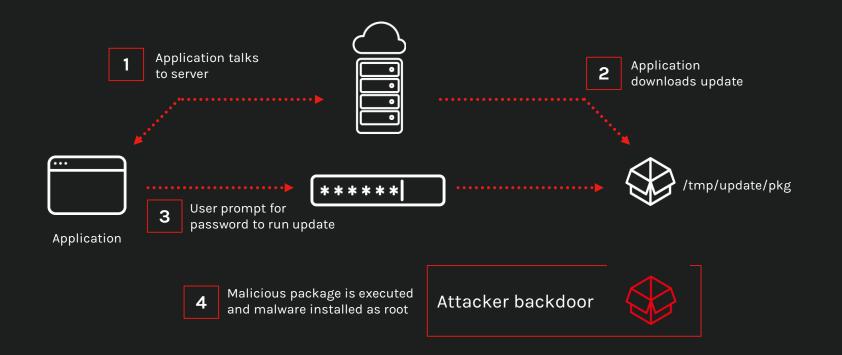
User Awareness Training

Office Product >
Preferences > Security &
Privacy > Disable Macros
without notification





PRIVILEGE ESCALATION POOR UPDATE PRACTICE





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PRIVILEGE ESCALATION COUNTERMEASURES







Installer Takeovers

Install applications from the Apple Store when possible to ensure Sandbox is applied Keep system up to date to patch privilege escalation 0-days that are discovered for macOS User awareness on password popup prompts





CREDENTIAL THEFT HASHDUMP

Using System Integrity Protection, Apple has restricted direct access to the files inside /var/db/dslocal/nodes/Default/users/, rendering a handful of hash dumping tools and techniques outdated



defaults read /var/db/dslocal/nodes/Default/users/\$USER.plist ShadowHashData was probably the command most frequently referenced that no longer works



The dscl command can still be used to access ShadowHashData dscl.read /Users/\$USER dsAttrTypeNative:ShadowHashData





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CREDENTIAL THEFT COUNTERMEASURES







Hashdump

Use a good password

Use products that notify or monitor for access to credential files

Keychain Theft

Change your keychain password to be something different than your login password

security set-keychain-password ~/Library/Keychains/login.keychain-db

SSH

Always use a password associated with private keys

Don't use plaintext passwords at the command line level

Run cleanup scripts to remove ssh artifacts





PERSISTENCE







Standard ASEPS

/Library/LaunchAgents (root)
/Library/LaunchDaemons (root)
~/Library/LaunchAgents (user)
~/Library/LaunchDaemons (user)

SIP Protected ASEPS

/System/Library/LaunchAgents <u>/System</u>/Library/LaunchDaemons_|

Lesser-Used ASEPS

/private/etc/daily.local
/private/etc/weekly.local
/private/etc/monthly.local

ASEP Piggybacking

/var/root/Library/preferences/com.apple.loginwindow.plist



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[bash-3.2\$]\$ sudo vim /etc/daily.local



PERSISTENCE COUNTERMEASURES



Monitor ASEPS being created in your environment



Free Tool:

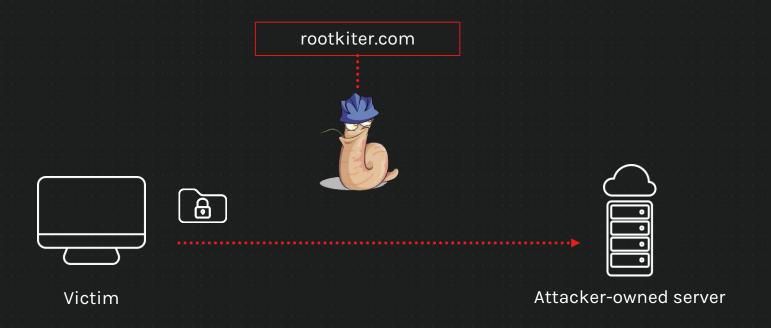
Block Block by Objective-See

objective-see.com











EXFIL mdfind

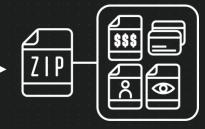
mdfind provides macOS Spotlight functionality at the command line level.

Spotlight is constantly running in the background, indexing data by keywords





mdfind confidential -onlyin ~/Documents/ -0 | xargs -0 tar -rvf /tmp/exfil.tar





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EXFIL COUNTERMEASURES



Confidential.noindex 75 items

Force no indexing using folder name <folder>.noindex



Look for outbound SSH and SOCKS Tunnels



INTRODUCING AutoMacTC

RSA 2019





What it is: A Python framework for forensic

triage collection on macOS

Purpose: Quickly gather forensic data

from systems of interest for

incident response

Key Features:

- Easy to use
- Runs natively on all Macs
- Captures and parses critical artifacts out-of-the-box
- Customizable data collection
- Produces simple, consistent, accessible output

Blog: blog.crowdstrike.com







THIS YEAR'S "CUFFIES" RECIPIENTS ALL LEVERAGED SPEED





WICKED PANDA







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OBSERVE - ORIENT - DECIDE - ACT









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