Battling Online Bank Attacks with Detection Methods Using Splunk

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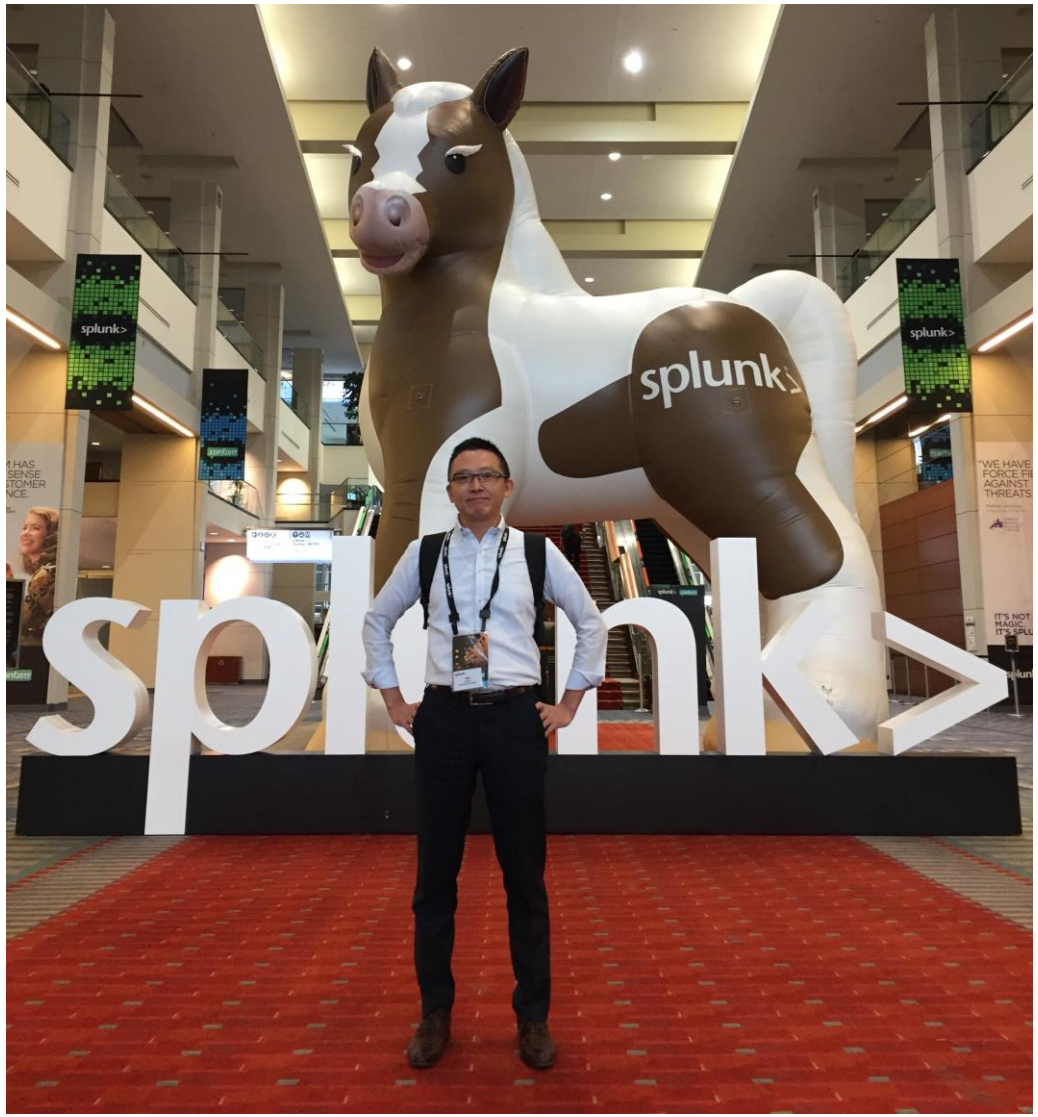
- JNB-CSIRT Member
- Security Business Experience 4 Years
- Splunk Experience 3 Years
- Financials ISAC Japan 2016,2017
  - Achievement for expanding the method of unauthorized access monitoring to Japanese financial institution by using Splunk



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Japan Net Bank

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- Exclusive Internet Banking Launched In Japan for the first time
  - Established in Oct, 2000
- # Of Account 370,000,000
- Credit Balance 700Billion Yen
- Service they provide
  - Credit, Transfer, Credit Deposit, Direct Deposit, Visa Debit Card, Foreign Currency Deposit, FX, Investment, Loan, Lottery

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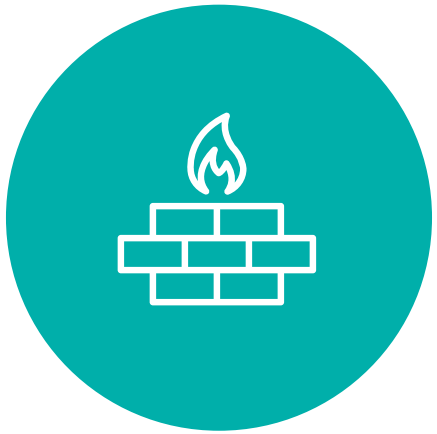
Internal System Log

Total 5.0G/day



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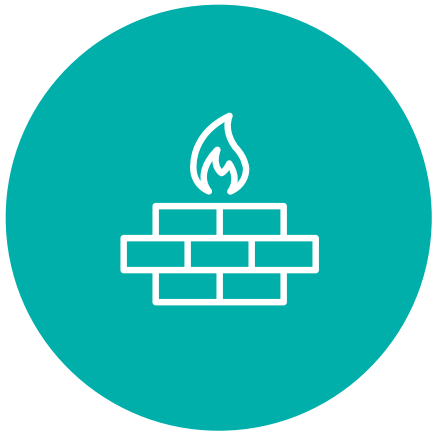
  - Real-time



- NG Firewall
  - 1.0G/day
  - Syslog
  - Real-time

- Proxy
  - 2.0G/day
  - Access Log
  - Real-time

- Active Directory
  - 2.0G/day
  - Event Log
  - Real-time

Online Banking System Log

Total 18.5G/day

- WEB Server (akamai)
  - 7.0G/day
  - Access Log
  - 3hours delay

- Cloud Monitor (akamai)
  - 9.0G/day
  - Request/Response, IP Geo,WAF
  - 30minutes delay

- Banking Database
  - 1.5G/day
  - Bank Transaction Log
  - 30minutes delay

- Other Servers
  - 1.0G/day
  - Performance Log
  - Once a day

Introduction of Detective Cases for Unauthorized Access

Japan Net Bank Case

1. Log Analysis of Internal System Environment
   - How to detect malware infection with internal Traffic Analysis of Online banking
2. Log Analysis of Online Traffic
   - How to detect unauthorized access from uncommon traffic
3. How to detect phishing site
4. How to detect account takeover activities
5. How to detect the end-user's banking trojan infection

Log Analysis within Internal System Environment

Detect Malware Infection

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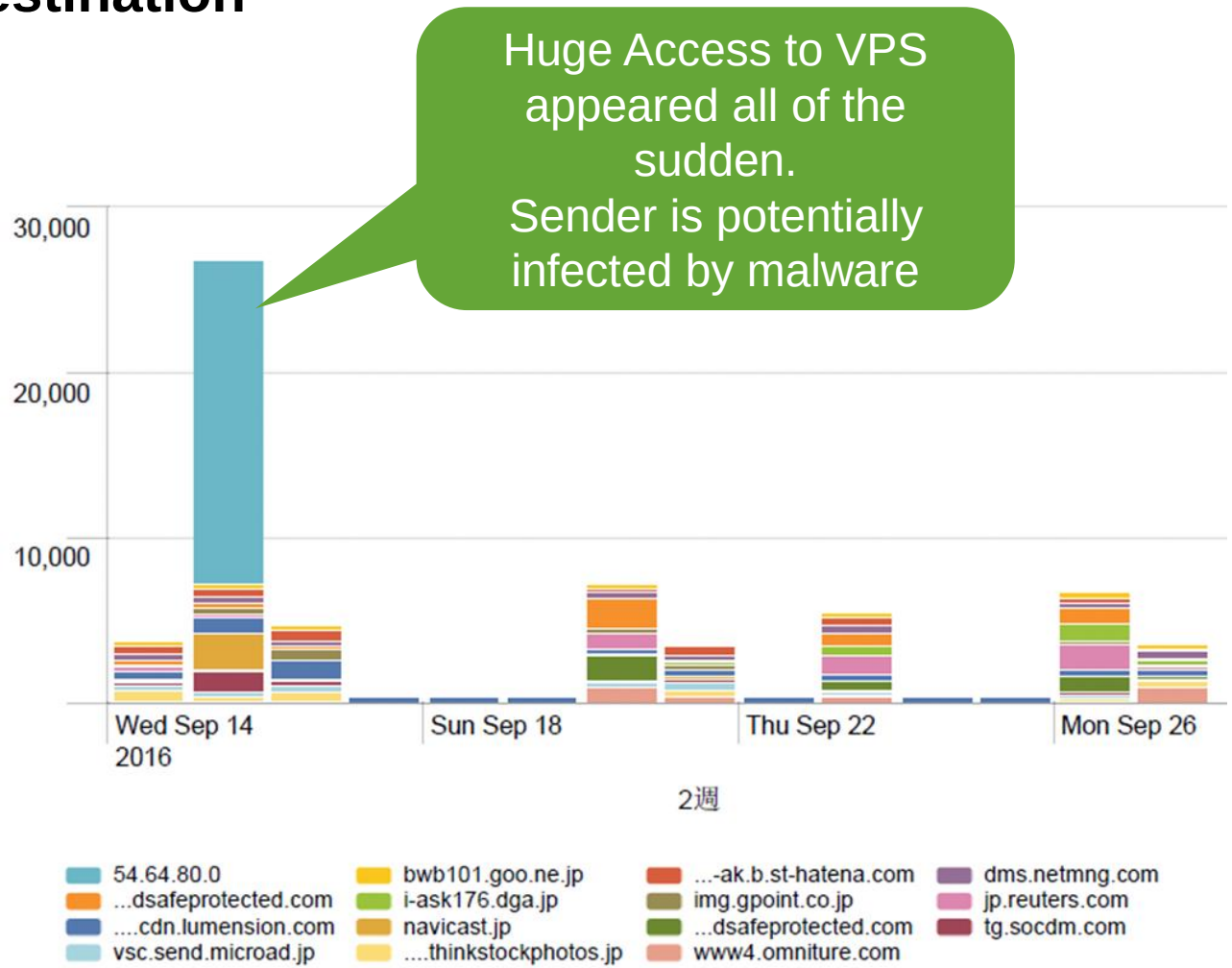
Detection of Malware Infection

Analyzing the proxying transmission destination

- Aggregate the date and time of proxy logs and find the suspicious internet transmission
  - Aggregate per FQDN of Transmission Destination
  - If no issue is found to the transmission destination, it will be added to the whitelist, and excluded from the aggregation

Tips: Exclude white list traffic based on source ip / servers, then easily visualize C & C server communications



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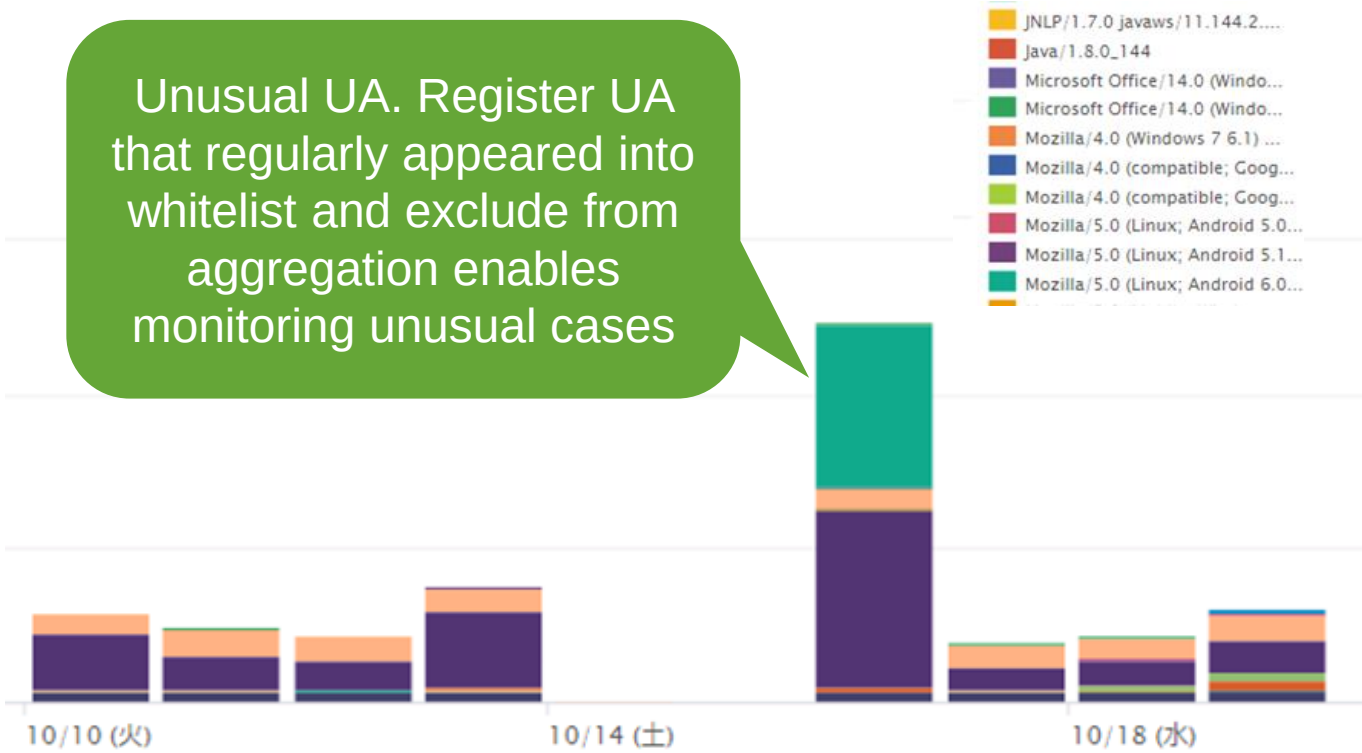
Detection of Malware Infection

Analyze Useragent from proxy logs

- Find the occurrence of any transmission to internet by suspicious Useragent
  - Not IE, Edge, Chrome, Firefox
  - No UA
  - Old version of browser
  - No precedent UA cases

Tips: UserAgents give us hints whether they are malware/C&C communications



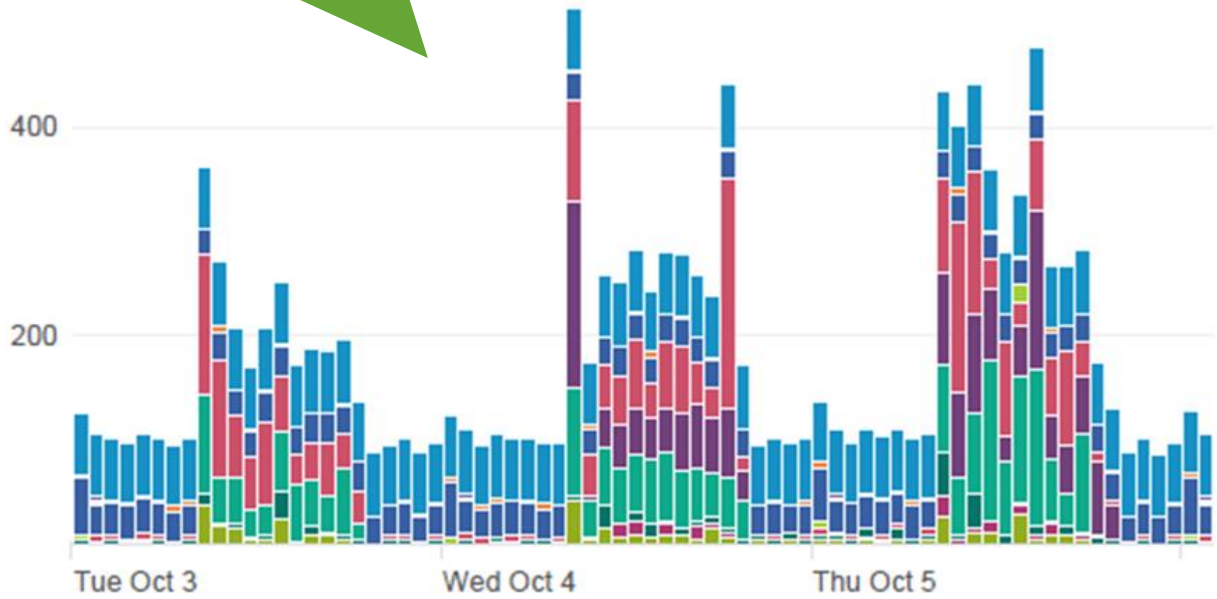
Detection of Malware Infection

Analysis of AD event log

- Aggregate per event code and check if there is any usage of suspicious account
  - Usage of unexpected privilege ID
    - 4672
  - Below is the failure of event code authorization
    - 4625、4672、4768、4771、4776
  - Event code that doesn't appear in regular operation
    - 4618、4649、4719、4765、4766、etc

Very effective by just aggregating event code and confirming the date and time

Visualize suspicious accounts by count, event code and time/date



Analysis of Online Traffic

Detect unauthorized access from unusual traffic

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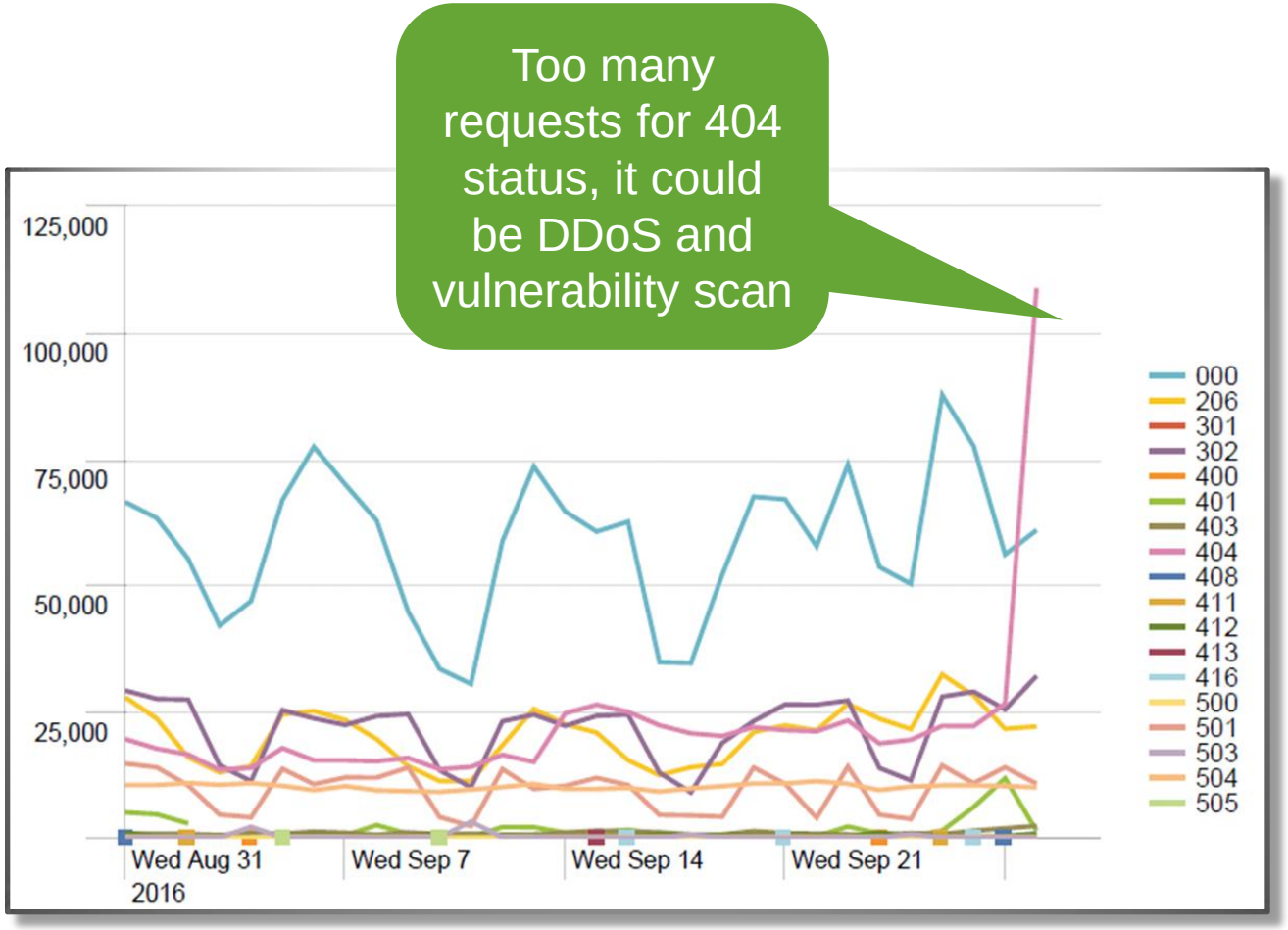
Detection of Unusual Traffic

Analyze access log by status code

- Except normal status code（ex. 200、304）, aggregate and confirm unusual status request

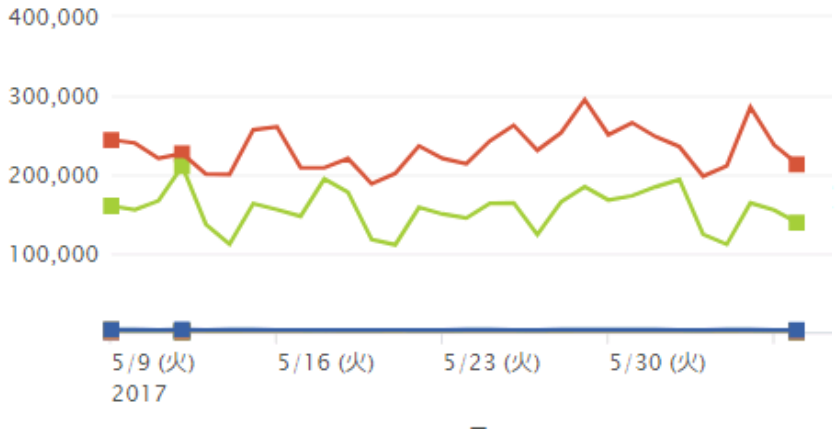
By grasping daily baseline, unusual patterns can be recognized

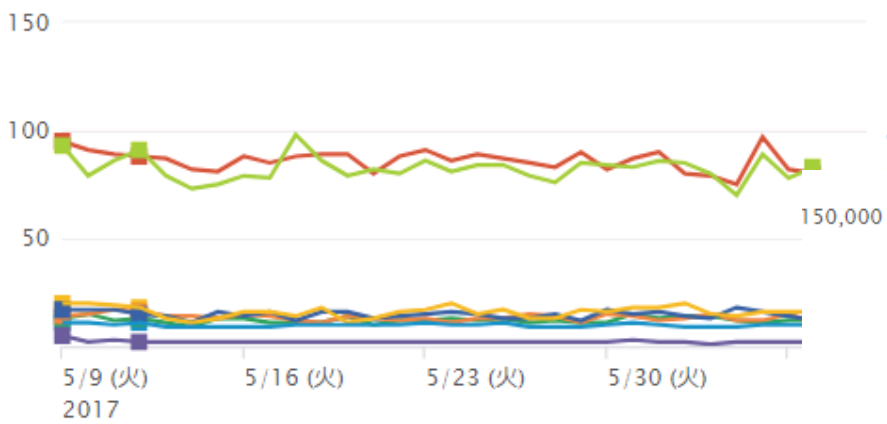


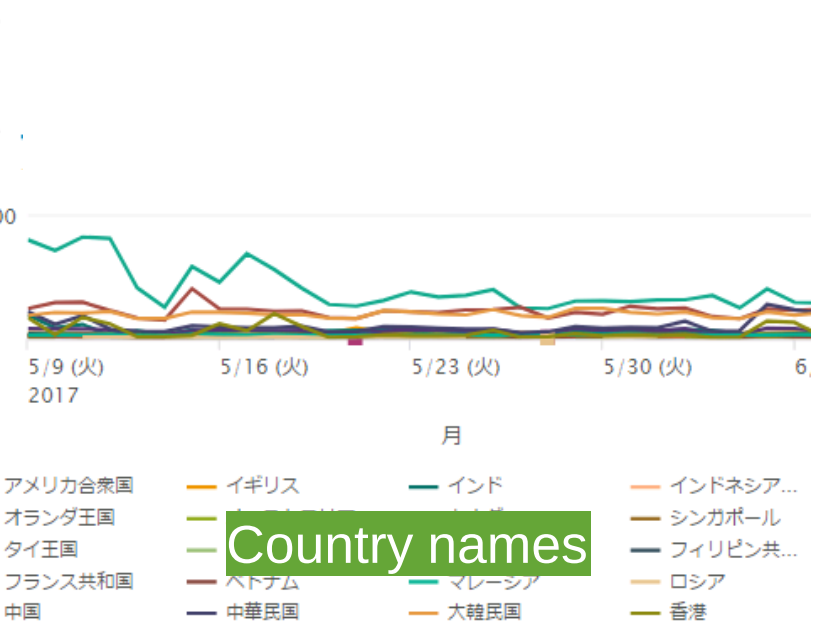
Detecting Unusual Traffic

Other Methods of Analyzing Access Log

- Aggregate the number of access sources/IP addresses by day
  - Approx. 20,000 Addresses/Day
- Aggregate the access number for each country by day
  - Approx. 100 Countries/Day
- Aggregate the number of requests for each country by day







Either way, there is a regular trend

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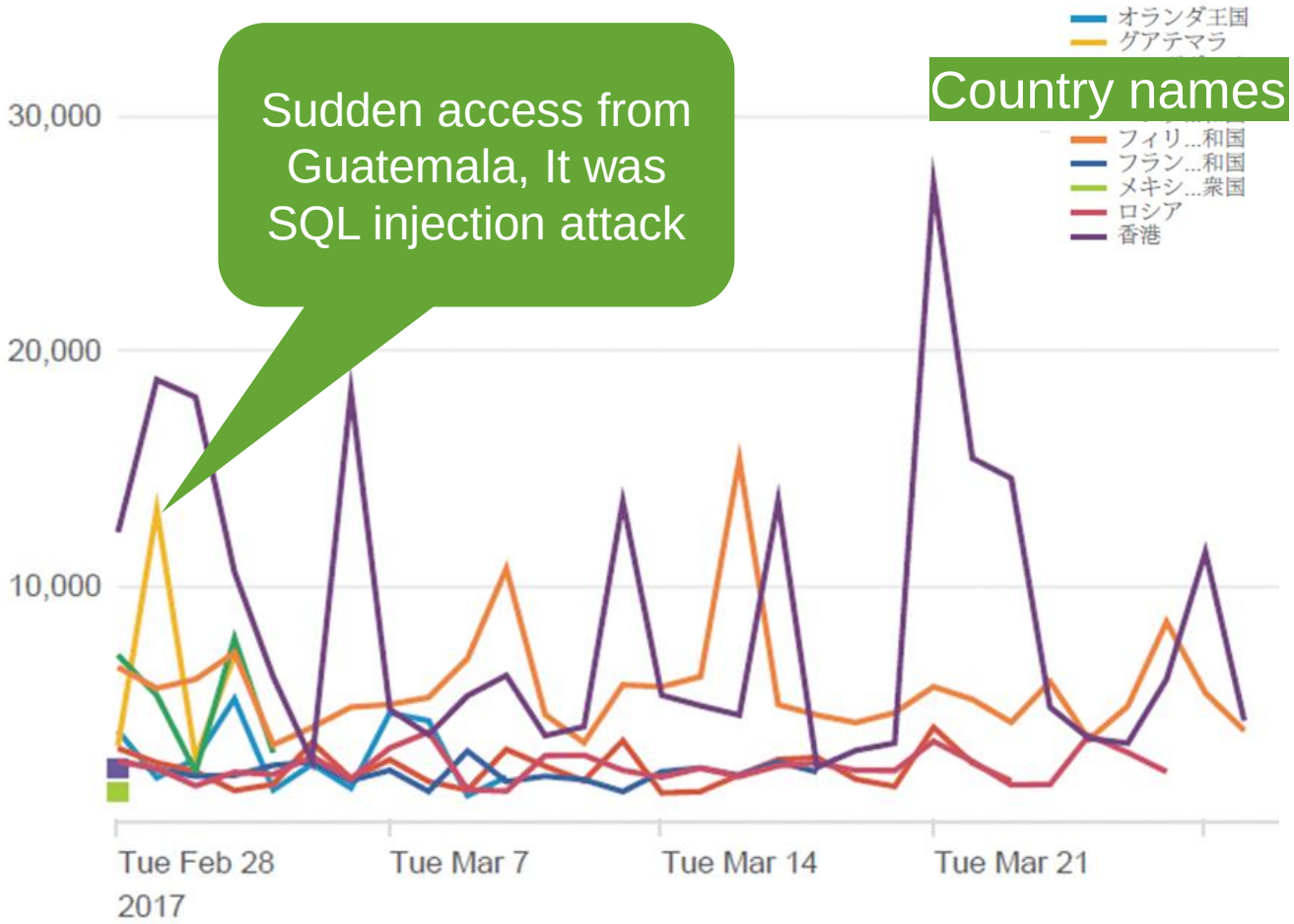
Detection of Unusual Traffic

Trend Analysis from the countries where there is not a lot of regular access

- By excluding the major countries, aggregate only the request from the countries where there are no regular access



Sudden access from unusual countries shows potential attack

Detecting Suspicious Access

Monitor Useragent that regular browsers are not used

- Monitor suspicious Useragent as staged below, and block wrongful access if it is not legitimate
  - Unexciting UA such as IE11.0 （Formally rv:11.0）
  - Browser that is used by certain countries
  - Command system such as wget, curl. etc.
  - Suspicious tool such as Go-http and access from vulnerability scanners

Go-http	Go-http-client/1.1	66.27.72.84	アメリカ合衆国	サンディエゴ	4
MSIE 11.0	Mozilla/5.0 (compatible; MSIE 11.0; Windows NT 6.2; WOW64; Trident/6.0)	180.53.250.69	日本	鴻巣	8
Dragon	Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 6.1; WOW64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Dragon/52.15.25.664 Chrome/52.0.2743.82 Safari/537.36	118.5.149.249	日本	Gifu City	56
Wget	Wget/1.12 (linux-gnu)	119.147.21.144	中国	広州	5
curl	curl/7.19.7 (x86_64-redhat-linux-gnu) libcurl/7.19.7 NSS/3.21 Basic ECC zlib/1.2.3 libidn/1.18 libssh2/1.4.2	176.31.105.45	フランス共和国		2
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How to Detect Phishing Site

Finding out phishing site generated wrongfully from access logs

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Detecting Phishing Site

Possible to find out before a criminal spreads out to the phishing site

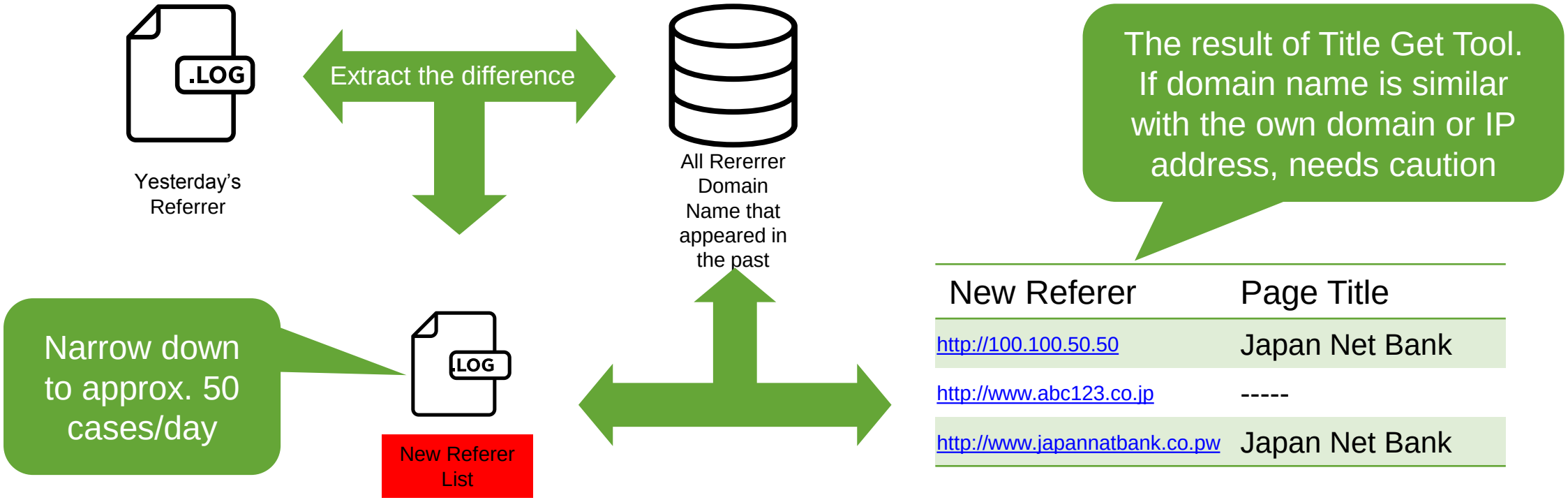
- Check domain names of Referer that belong to online banking access log and confirm if there is any access from similar domain names that are similar to own domains.
- Most phishing sites are referring to original image, CSS, JS, etc. if so, URL of phishing site remains in Referer of original content's logs

Needs caution for requesting only images but not for html

Detecting phishing site

How to analyze Referer

- Cannot check all Referer everyday, check by extracting **Referer domain names newly appeared the day before Referer** by using Title Get Tool



New Referer	Page Title
http://100.100.50.50	Japan Net Bank
http://www.abc123.co.jp	-----
http://www.japannatbank.co.pw	Japan Net Bank

How to Handle Phishing Site

- Request National CERT to close phishing site
- Report unsafe sites from each browser
- Enter fake (Non-existing) account into phishing site, block access to use the fake account by using IP address
- Let Referer redirect the request with phishing site URL to another page prepared by bank
  - Even though customers have accessed to phishing site, it is still possible to display the bank's page

Reference Gophish

Creating Phishing Site, Open Source to actualize campaign

Do Not Misuse! !

https://getgophish.com/

- Detect if phishing site is created and confirm by using Gophish
- Function of Gophish
  - By scraping, targeted Web site can be copied
  - By spreading phishing mails, target with the clicked link can be managed
  - Fake log in screen at leading destination, exploit ID and password

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Detecting Method of Taking over Accounts

Detect log into the illegitimate account by the third party

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Detecting Hacked Account Logins

Analysis of Browser Language

- Confirm **Browser Language** per account at the time of login, and alert when the language is different from the ones in the past.
  - Detect potential account takeover every 15min and alert
  - You can obtain browser language from Request Header
  - Use caution if the provider is different from the ones the customers normally use

Account Num	IP Address	Lang	Country	Provider	Network	Term	Comment
001-1234567	202.***.***.15	ja-JP	Japan	S.Net	A Line	2016/9/3 - 2016/9/21	Same language and same provider
001-1234567	202.***.***.18	ja-JP	Japan	S.Net	A Line	2016/9/3 - 2016/9/21	Same language and same provider
001-1234567	202.***.***.54	ja-JP	Japan	S.Net	A line	2016/9/3 - 2016/9/21	Same language and same provider
001-1234567	114.***.***.192	xx-XX	Japan	O.Com	Z Line	2016/10/20 - 2016/10/20	Different language and Different provider

Detecting Hacked Account Logins

Analysis of Open Port IP

- Confirm if there is any designated **Open Port** to IP address at the time of login. Alert if the IP address has not been used in the past for each account
  - Since criminals often use VPS, someone else's server and router in order to access, there are cases that they might use IP address available remote Open Port as stated below
    - **22, 1723, 3389**
  - Schedule alert in every 15 minutes. Check all histories of login that occurred during the time You can obtain Open Port information from external site such as SHODAN, censys, etc.
  - **Confirm if the VPS is used by our customers or not**

Account Num	IP Address	Port	Country	Provider	Network	Term	Comment
001-1234567	202.***.***.15	-	Japan	S.Net	A Line	2016/9/3 - 2016/9/21	No Open Port
001-1234567	202.***.***.18	-	Japan	S.Net	A Line	2016/9/3 - 2016/9/21	No Open Port
001-1234567	202.***.***.54	-	Japan	S.Net	A line	2016/9/3 - 2016/9/21	No Open Port
001-1234567	114.***.***.192	22	Japan	VPS	Z Line	2016/10/20 - 2016/10/20	Open Port, Suspicious VPS

Reference SHODAN

Able to obtain various information related to IP address

https://www.shodan.io/

- Download IP address list in Open Port and import to Splunk in order to leverage
- Or it can be done by requesting API of SHODAN from Splunk

Detecting Hacked Account Logins

Analysis of Cookie

- Issue Unique **Key Value** per **Cookie**, Check log into multiple accounts by the same key value（Same Key Value＝Same Terminal／Same Browser）
  Alert if the same terminal is used to log into multiple accounts
  - It is extremely unusual to log into multiple accounts from the same terminal/same browser since each one has the same single account
    - If it is used within the same company or same family and share PC, there is no issue. Thus it is excluded from alert
  - Schedule alert for every 15 minutes. Check all histories of log in that are occurred every 60 minutes
  - Various hacking cases are detected. For example, commonly purchasing accounts, etc.

Account Num	IP Address	Key Value	Country	Provider	Network	Term	Comment
001-1234567	202.***.***.15	ZF09UYXS09122	Japan	S.Net	A Line	2016/10/20 15:30:00	Same Key in Cookie
002-2234568	202.***.***.15	ZF09UYXS09122	Japan	S.Net	A Line	2016/10/20 15:32:00	Same Key in Cookie
003-3234569	202.***.***.15	ZF09UYXS09122	Japan	S.Net	A Line	2016/10/20 15:34:00	Same Key in Cookie
004-4234560	202.***.***.15	ZF09UYXS09122	Japan	S.Net	A Line	2016/10/20 15:36:00	Same Key in Cookie

Detecting Hacked Account Logins

Analysis of Tor IP Address

- Confirm if the IP address used when the time of log is **Node Address of Tor** Set alert if there is no history of using Tor per account in the past.
  - Regular customers barely use Tor
  - Schedule alert in every 15 minutes. Check all histories of log in that occurred during the time
  - Exit Node of Tor Address information is able to obtain from external site below
  - In general, Various cases are found to use someone else's accounts such as financial crime, fraud. Etc.

https://torstatus.blutmagie.de/

Router Name	Bandwidth (KB/s)	Uptime	Hostname	ORPort	DirPort	Bad Exit	FirstSeen	ASName
Unnamed	90742	22 d	185.170.41.8 [185.170.41.8]	443	9030	✕	2017-04-10	OKSERVERS, PA
reactortornode	64980	55 d	tornode.torreactor.ml [78.109.23.1]	443	80	✕	2016-12-18	HOSTING-AS http://hosting.ua, UA
Unnamed	56759	6 d	ec2-52-15-228-241.us-east-2.compute.amazonaws.com [52.15.228.241]	443	80	✕	2017-05-20	AMAZON-02 - Amazon.com, Inc., US
0x3d004	54859	17 d	snowden.pep-security.net [62.138.7.171]	9001	9030	✕	2016-08-24	PLUSSERVER-AS, DE
xshells	47799	35 h	tor-exit.xshells.net [178.217.187.39]	443	80	✕	2016-09-14	HOSTEAM-AS, PL
chulak	44680	7 d	chulak.enn.lu [176.126.252.11]	9001	443	✕	2014-04-09	ALISTAR-AS, RO
Janusz	43141	46 h	ip180.ip-193-70-95.eu [193.70.95.180]	443	80	✕	2017-04-20	OVH, FR
destiny	42758	2 d	destiny.enn.lu [94.242.246.23]	9001	443	✕	2014-04-29	ROOT, LU
hessel1	38645	19 d	hessel2.torservers.net [109.163.234.4]	443	80	✕	2016-09-02	VOXILITY, RO
cry	38210	72 d	cry.ip-eend.nl [192.42.115.101]	9003	8080	✕	2015-04-22	SURFNET-NL SURFnet, The Netherlands, NL
hviv104	36617	6 d	tor-exit.hartvoorinternetvrijheid.nl [192.42.116.16]	443	80	✕	2014-04-09	IP-EEND-AS IP-EEND BV, NL
torfa	35902	119 d	toreador.webenlet.hu [79.172.193.32]	443	80	✕	2017-01-05	DENINET-HU-AS, HU
aurora	34381	7 d	aurora.enn.lu [176.126.252.12]	8080	21	✕	2014-04-09	ALISTAR-AS, RO
PrivacyRepublic0001	33821	173 d	tor-exit-node.1.privacyrepublic.org [178.32.181.96]	443	80	✕	2014-11-21	OVH, FR

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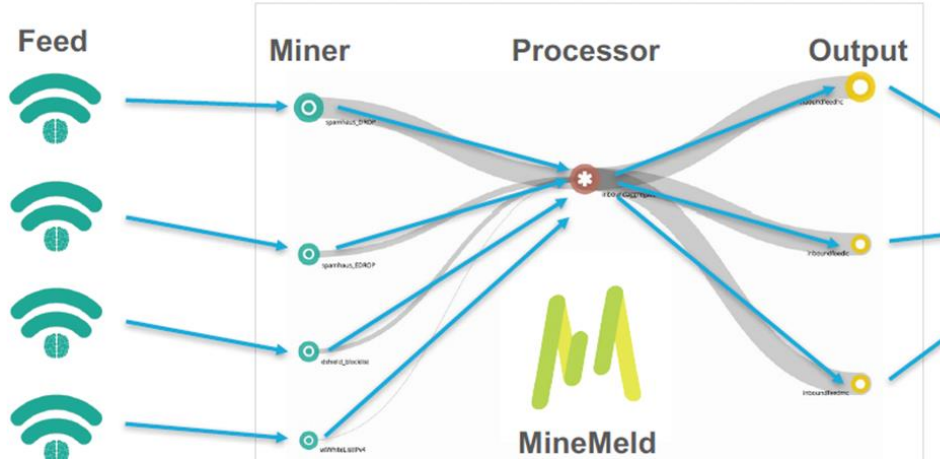
Reference MINEMELD

https://github.com/PaloAltoNetworks/minemeld

Opensource that can be automatically gathered IOC from various sites

- As a default, MINEMELD is corresponding to various IOC delivered WEB site (Feed)
- Install REST Apps into Splunk, Obtain IOC from Output node of MINEMELD
- By collaborating with MINEMELD, possible for autorenewal of Tor Node list imported to Splunk



OSINT

- AlienVault Reputation
- Bambenekconsulting
- DShield
- Emerging Threats Open rulesets
- badips.com
- Binary Defense Systems Artillery
- blocklist.de
- BruteForceBlocker
- hailataxii.com
- Malware Domain List
- OpenBL
- OpenPhish
- Ransomware Tracker
- sslbl.abuse.ch
- Virbl
- ZeuS Tracker
- Feodo Tracker

Commercial

- Anomali
- Palo Alto Networks AutoFocus
- PhishMe
- Proofpoint ET Intelligence
- Recorded Future
- Soltra
- Spamhaus Project
- The Media Trust
- ThreatQ
- Virustotal Private API

Organizations

- AUS-CERT

Cloud services

- AWS Public IPs
- Microsoft Azure Public IPs
- Google NetBlocks
- Google GCE NetBlocks
- Microsoft Office365 IPs and URLs

ホワイトリスト用途でも使用可

Output方式

Output

- JSON
- JSON-SEQ
- STIX/TAXII
- PAN-OS EDL
- PAN-OS DAG API
- Elastic Logstash
- Arcsight CEF (as ex

How to Detect the Infection of Banking Trojan

Detect if the customer's PC is infected by banking trojan

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Detection of Infection to Banking Trojan

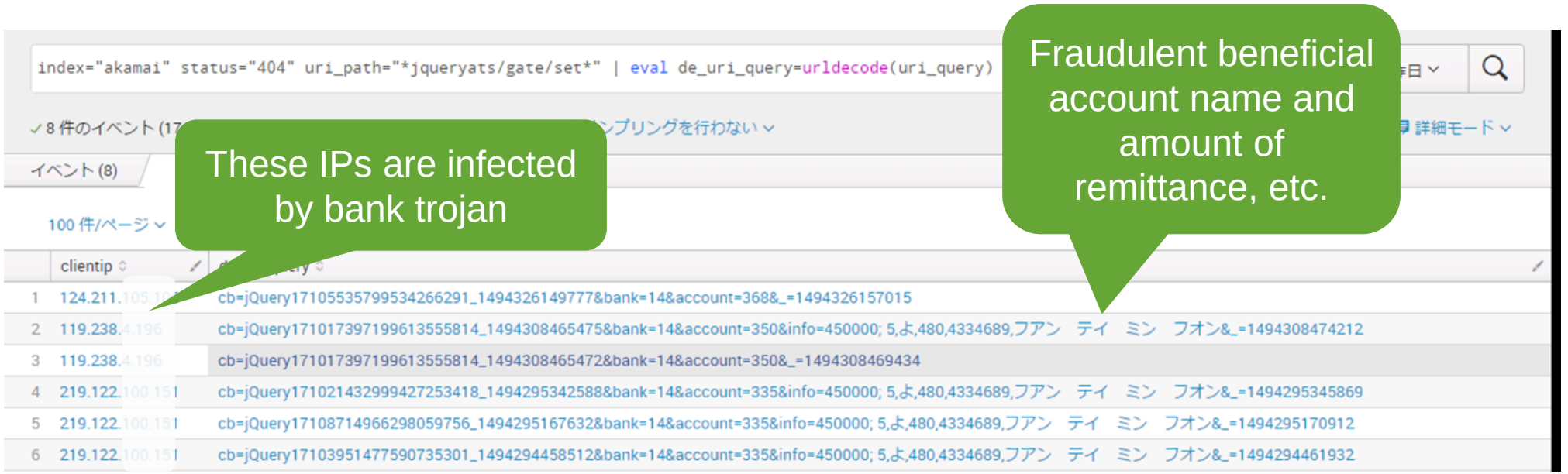
Detect if a customer is infected by banking trojan

- If the terminal is infected by banking trojan, it requests for **non-existing path** of bank WEB site /jqueryats/, /uejei3j/, /iimgc/, etc.
- By analyzing the request for 404 status, we recognized there were many requests for same path
- Suspicious parameters such as bank= and account= Query Parameter are attached to query parameters

Detection of Banking Trojan Infection

Detect if a customer is infected by banking trojan

- Recognized that fraudulent beneficial information was included once query parameter was URL decoded
- All Destination IP Addresses requesting for this pass have terminals infected by banking trojan
- Within status 404 request, needs caution for any requests with suspicious query parameters such as **account=, password=,** etc.



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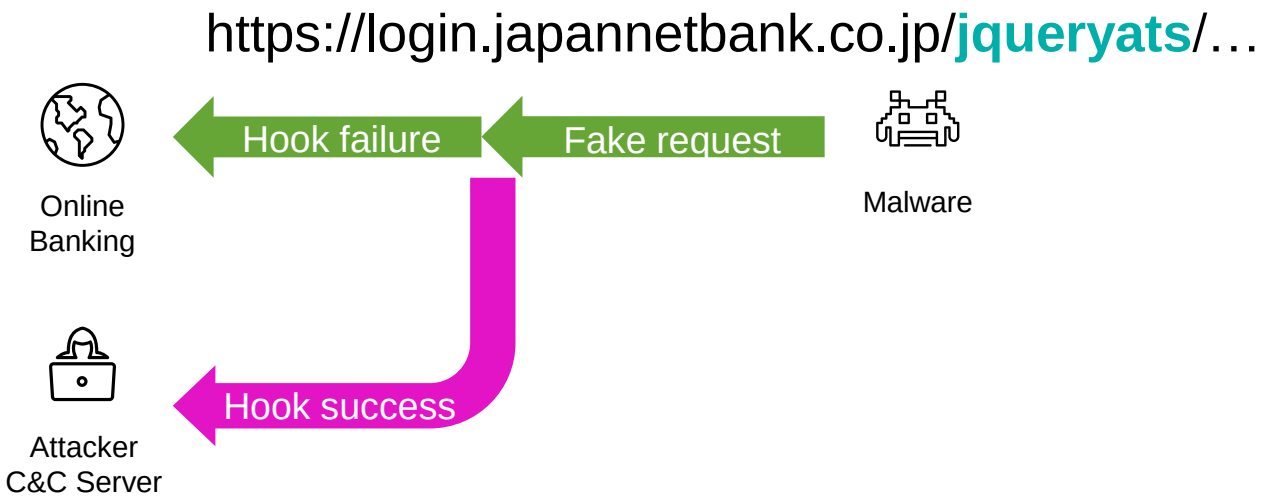
Reference Request for Banking Trojan

The reason why Banking tojan sends a request to Banking Site

- Banking trojan is pretending to be transmitting to bank server for the transmission of C&C server (Request to **jqueryats**, etc.)
- Disguised transmission is hooked by banking trojan and yielded to C&C server, yet it ends up as failure by depending upon the end-user's environment
- If it is failure, it just requests to bank server



Key Takeaways

- Analysis Points for log collection
  - Most of normal traffic logs should be excluded from aggregate result with white list
- How fast to detect appearances of your phishing site
  - Leverage Refere-domain field and identify if it is phisling site or not
- How fast to detect hacked accounts
  - Browser langueage gives us hints for each accounts
  - Leverage cookie information if the customers' PC is used by multiple users
- How fast to detect banking malware on PCs
  - Check if there are many requests to non-exsisting path of your bank web site

Thank You

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