

# All Your Cloud Are Belong to Us

Hunting Compromise in Azure Nate Warfield – Microsoft Security Response Center

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- Hacker Microsoft Security Response Team
  - Vulnerability Management for Azure, Windows, Hyper-V
  - Battle scars: MS17-010, WannaCry, NotPetya, Spectre/Meltdown
- cat ~/.bash\_history
  - 18 years in Network Engineering; 20-year Grey Hat
  - First hack: BBS over 2400 baud
  - Kaspersky SAS 2018
  - Troopers 18
  - BSidesLV 2018
  - Twitter: @dk\_effect
  - GitHub: n0x08

#### Captain: What happen?

- Traditional Networking (then)
- Server exposure was restricted
- Many layers of ACLs + segmentation
- Dedicated deployment teams
- Well-defined patching cadence
- Servers deployed from the ground up
- Only expose required services

- Cloud Networking (now)
- Every VM exposed to the Internet
- VM's deploy with predefined firewall
- Anyone with access can expose BadThings
- Patch management decentralized
- VM's inherit the sins of their creators
- NoSQL open to the Internet? #yolo

# 2017: Somebody set us up the bomb

2018

cloud services: cryptocurrency mining.



Security researchers, and what appears to be at least one hacker, have found an ElasticSearch server le

exposed online that was hosting information about 1,133 National Football League (NFL) players and

#### Operator: We get signal

- NoSQL solutions were never intended for Internet exposure
  - "..it is not a good idea to expose the Redis instance directly to the internet"
  - "Allow only trusted clients to access the network interfaces and ports on which MongoDB instances are available."
  - "Elasticsearch installations are not designed to be publicly accessible over the Internet."
- Naturally, people exposed them to the Internet
- To date: MongoDB, CouchDB, Hadoop, Elastic, Redis, CassandraDB
- DB dropped; ransom note added
- 100k+ systems compromised globally
- Azure: 3800+ VM's compromised





DID YOU REALLY
NAME YOUR SON
Robert'); DROP
TABLE Students;--?
OH. YES. LITTLE
BOBBY TABLES,
WE CALL HIM.

WELL, WE'VE LOST THIS
YEAR'S STUDENT RECORDS.
I HOPE YOU'RE HAPPY.

AND I HOPE
YOU'VE LEARNED
TO SANITIZE YOUR
DATABASE INPUTS.

Image Source: https://imgs.xkcd.com/comics/exploits\_of\_a\_mom.png

#### Hunting NOSQL Compromise in Azure

```
34.232.124.188:topkek112:CouchDB
222.240.80.51:Warning:MongoDB
46.209.77.33:Warning:MongoDB
52.79.189.237:Warning:MongoDB
54.199.163.18:Warning:MongoDB
52.80.95.16:Warning:MongoDB
54.254.171.67:Warning:MongoDB
35.199.43.176:Warning:MongoDB
222.89.251.105:Warning:MongoDB
167.99.27.62:please read:Elastic
167.114.101.155:Warning:MongoDB
13.58.154.106:Warning:MongoDB
130.215.44.61:Warning:MongoDB
35.201.195.87:Warning:MongoDB
62.210.151.232:Warning:MongoDB
54.176.92.192:NODATA4U SECUREYOURSHIT:HDFS NameNode
107.20.246.202:PLEASE READ:MongoDB
118.24.107.131:Warning:MongoDB
111.231.114.33:Warning:MongoDB
35.165.28.9:Warning:MongoDB
52.14.88.76:Warning:MongoDB
110.23.70.30:Warning:MongoDB
```

- 2.1 million Internet exposed IPs in Azure
- Port scans are slow; open port != pwned
- Each NoSQL solution runs on different port
- DB names only indication of compromise
- TL;DR I use Shodan (what, you don't?)
  - Accurate to with 0.14% of in-house solution
  - Rich metadata for each IP
  - DB names are indexed & searchable
  - JSON export allows for automated hunting

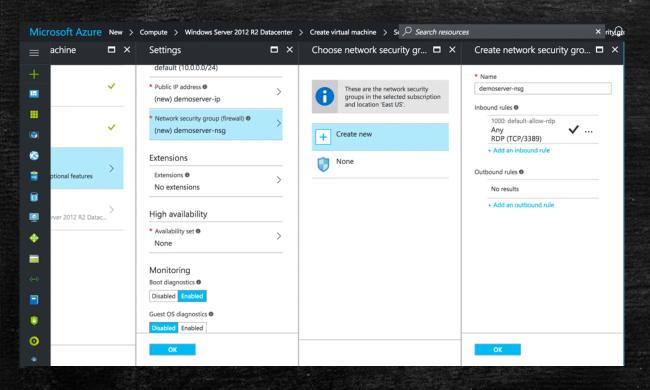
#### Operator: Main screen turn on

- Use master list of all pwned DB names seen globally
- My code was added to Shodan in December 2017
- tag:compromised automatically tags pwned NoSQL DBs
- 33k pwned DBs as of 9/28/2018
- Requires Shodan Enterprise API
- ..or...
- https://gist.github.com/n0x08



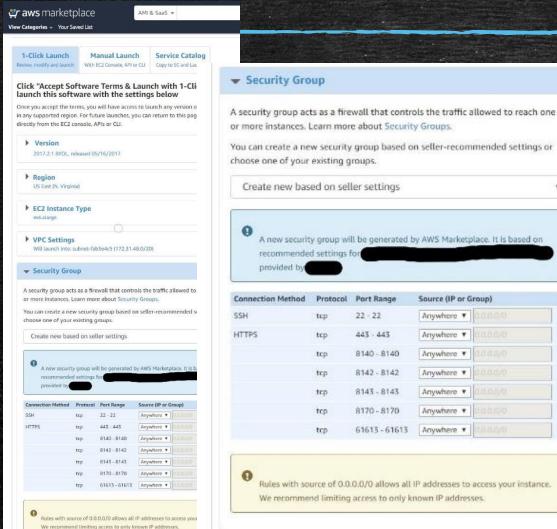


# Network Security Group (Azure)



- Network Security Group is the VM firewall
- Firewall config hard-coded by VM vendor
- Configurable during deployment (optional)
- 46% of images expose ports by default
- 96% expose more than management
- 562 unique ports exposed in Azure Gallery

# AMI Security Groups (AWS)



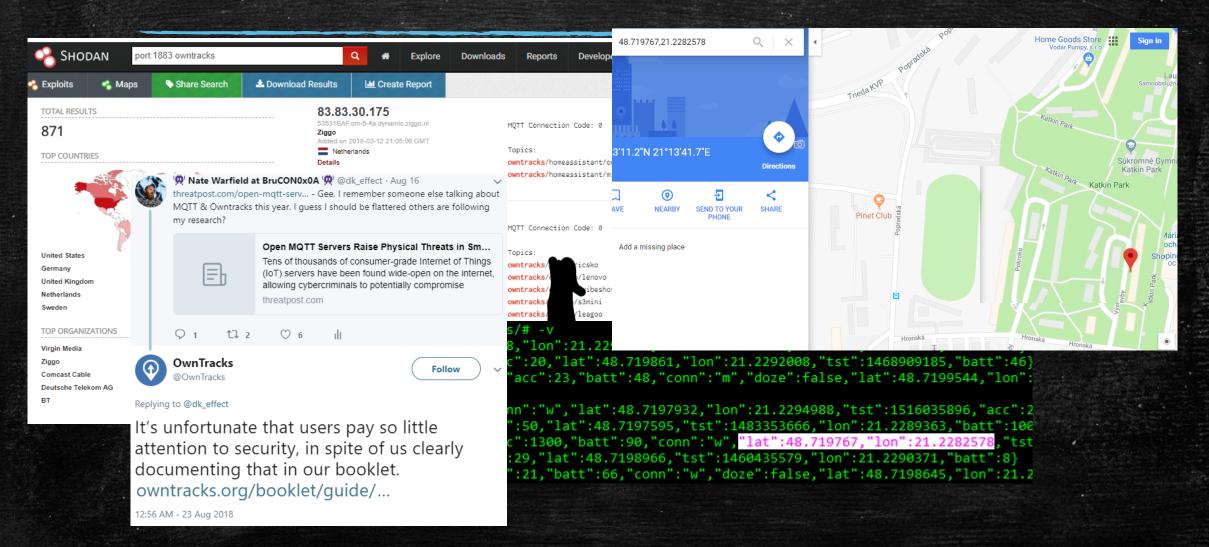
- Amazon Marketplace Image is 3<sup>rd</sup> party laaS
- AWS doesn't expose AMI SG config via API\*
  - \*Until you deploy it =)
- Feature request filed with AWS
- 11k AMI's in AWS 5x as many as Azure
- Data indicates many clouds have this problem

# Every (MQTT) step you take...

- MQTT publish/subscribe message protocol
- Used by IoT, Facebook Messenger, many more
- Azure & AWS offer MQTT-based solutions
- Internet exposure +1485% in last year



# ...I'll be tracking you



#### Threat hunting (old way): CVE-2018-6789

- Azure exposure: 17k IPs running an email server
- 'shodan download product:exim org:microsoft'
- Common Platform Enumeration field FTW
- 'shodan parse --fields ip\_str,cpe'
- VMs found: 1221
- Total time: ~5 minutes
- Can we do better?

```
@MININT-H66832A:~$ shodan parse --fields ip str.cpe exim march.json.gz
          cpe:/a:exim:exim:4.89 1
          cpe:/a:exim:exim:4.82
          cpe:/a:exim:exim:4.89 1
60.113
          cpe:/a:exim:exim:4.89 1
          cpe:/a:exim:exim:4.89 1
125.235
          cpe:/a:exim:exim:4.89 1
         cpe:/a:exim:exim:4.87
         cpe:/a:exim:exim:4.87
         cpe:/a:exim:exim:4.86 2
3.212.236
          cpe:/a:exim:exim:4.89 1
          cpe:/a:exim:exim:4.89 1
          cpe:/a:exim:exim:4.76
1.147.99
          cpe:/a:exim:exim:4.89 1
```

# Threat hunting (new way): The vuln: tag

- Worked with Shodan incorporate CPE ←→ CVE detections
- Accessible via 'vuln:' tag (Enterprise API only)
- Verified: False == implied vulnerable
  - Based off version data
- Verified: True == confirmed vulnerable
  - Ex: MS17-010

City		London
Country		United Kingdom
Organization		Digital Ocean
ISP		Digital Ocean
Last Update		2018-10-03T13:23:18.239638
ASN		AS14061
<b>%</b> Web Tec	hnologies	
B Bootstrap		
Font Aweso	ome	
Google For  Google For	nt API	
<b>©</b> jQuery		
▲ Vulnera	bilities	
Note: the device may no	t be impacted by all of these issues. The	vulnerabilities are implied based on the software and version.
CVE-2014-8109	configuration in which the sa allows remote attackers to by directives, as demonstrated i	odule in the Apache HTTP Server 2.3.x and 2.4.x through 2.4.10 does not support an httpd me Lua authorization provider is used with different arguments within different contexts, which ypass intended access restrictions in opportunistic circumstances by leveraging multiple Require by a configuration that specifies authorization for one group to access a certain directory, and roup to access a second directory.
CVE-2015-3185	Require directive may be ass	function in server/request.c in the Apache HTTP Server 2.4.x before 2.4.14 does not consider that a ociated with an authorization setting rather than an authentication setting, which allows remote access restrictions in opportunistic circumstances by leveraging the presence of a module that r.
CVE-2014-0226	service (heap-based buffer or request that triggers improp	atus module in the Apache HTTP Server before 2.4.10 allows remote attackers to cause a denial of verflow), or possibly obtain sensitive credential information or execute arbitrary code, via a crafted er scoreboard handling within the status_handler function in modules/generators/mod_status.c worker function in modules/lua/lua_request.c.

# Cats: How are you gentlemen!!

We view this as keeping our oath to protect and defend against enemies foreign and domestic. The Shadow Brokers has is having little of each as our auction was an apparent failure. Be considering this our form of protest.

--ShadowBrokers, April 8th 2017

Shadow Brokers

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# Cats: You are on the way to destruction

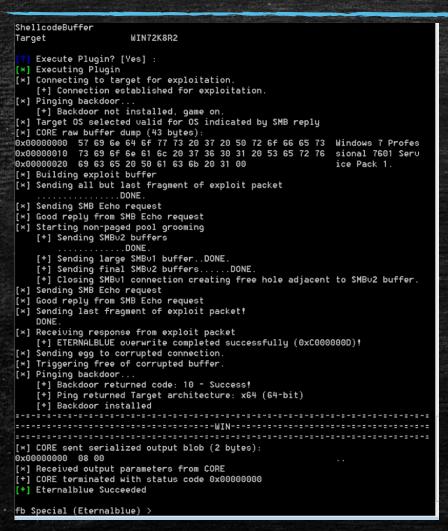
- [REDACTED] weaponized an SMBv1 exploit (EternalBlue)
- [REDACTED] added it to their Metasploit clone
- [REDACTED] lost control of this tool
- Microsoft patched in March 2017 via MS17-010
- ShadowBrokers dropped 0-day on April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017 (MS17-010 +31 days)
- No sane person would expose SMB to the Internet.....



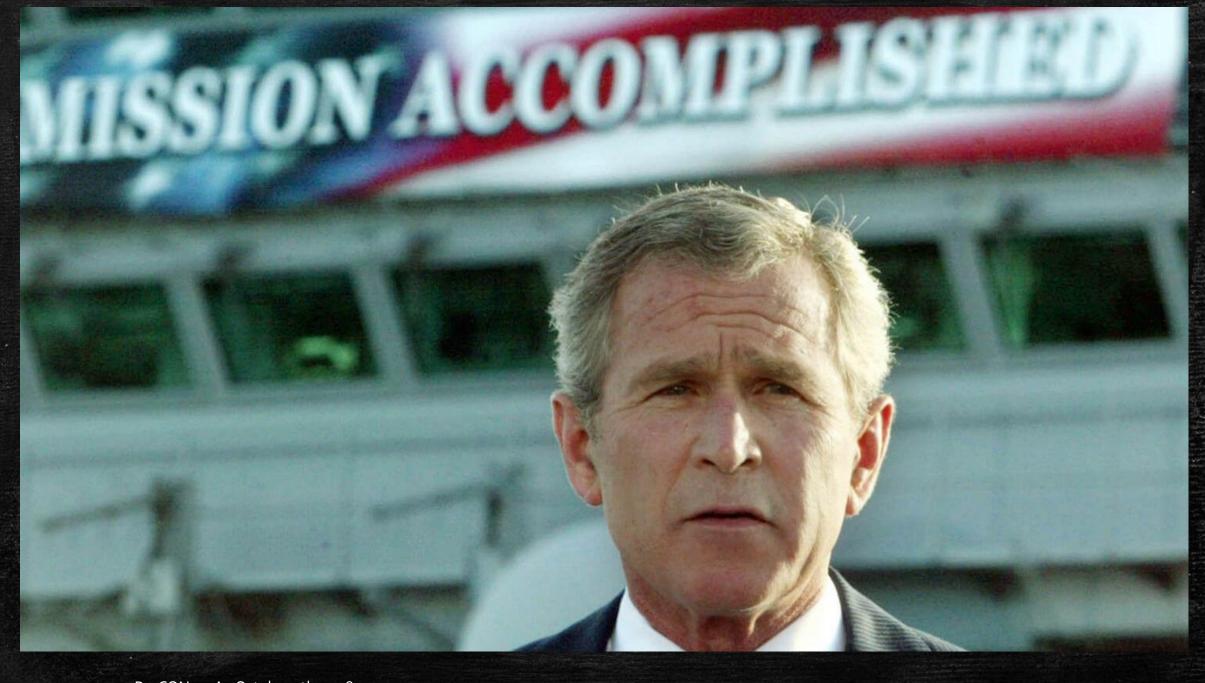




#### Finding DoublePulsar in Azure



- Only 14k VM's exposing TCP/445
- Initially undetectable by Shodan
- Detection via unused SMB error code (0x51)
- Manually scanned all IP's exposing TCP/445
- Low number of implants (<50)</li>
- That means everyone patched!!!



# Cats: You have no chance to survive make your time

- 28 days later, WannaCry hit
- Azure exposed SMB: 14,480 VMs
- Targeted unpatched MS17-010
- Initial infection via Internet-exposed SMB port
- 230k+ systems in 150 countries affected
- Comparatively low-tech
- Propagated via EternalBlue

- NotPetya dropped on June 27, 2017
- Azure exposed SMB: 16,750 VMs (+13.55%)
- Specifically targeted Ukraine
- Initial infection via trojaned MEDocs software
- Blast radius increased by VPN links to Ukraine
- Comparatively high-tech
- Propagated via psexec, mimikatz, MS17-010

#### Your IaaS security is your responsibility

- Ever hear about Express Route and Direct Connect?
  - "Microsoft Azure ExpressRoute lets you extend your on-premises networks into the Microsoft cloud...."
  - "Direct Connect makes it easy to establish a dedicated network connection from your premises to AWS."
- That sounds like a VPN! (Narrator: it's totally a VPN)
- How are you managing ACL's on P2P cloud connections?
- Is your cloud actually isolated from on-premises network?
- Do your IT policies extend to your cloud subscriptions?
  - Who is patching your laaS servers?



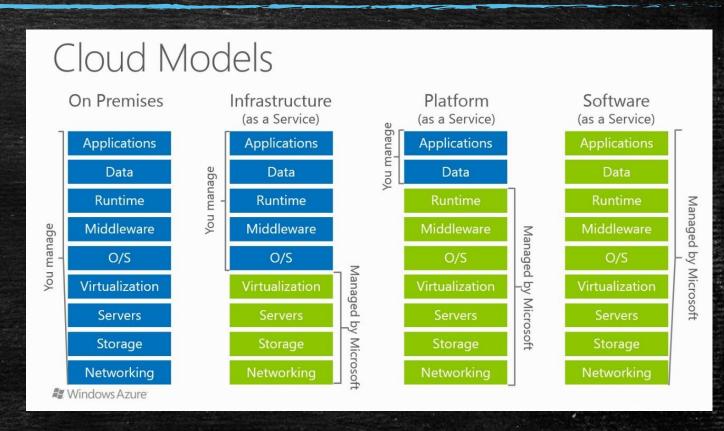
We made a huge investment in security for Azure Stack so it would "just work".

But.. users are responsible for the security of their VMs and Apps.

9:11am · 15 Feb 2018 · Twitter Lite

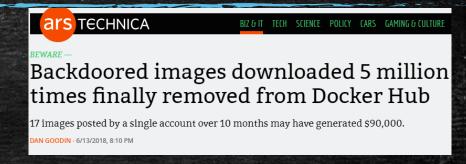
#### PaaS & SaaS are shared responsibility

- "Patching causes downtime"
- "My cloud provider handles patching"
- Not necessarily & never with laaS
- P/SaaS are shared responsibility
- Patching handled by Microsoft
  - SaaS = 100% transparent to you
  - PaaS requires configuration



#### Cloud marketplaces are supply chains

- Supply chain attacks are increasingly common
- Cloud marketplaces are next
- Lots of resources; high value targets
- Minimal validation of 3<sup>rd</sup> party images
- 3<sup>rd</sup> party laaS images are OLD
  - Average Azure Age: 140+ days
  - Average AWS Age: 717 days
- Updating laaS VM images is not retroactive





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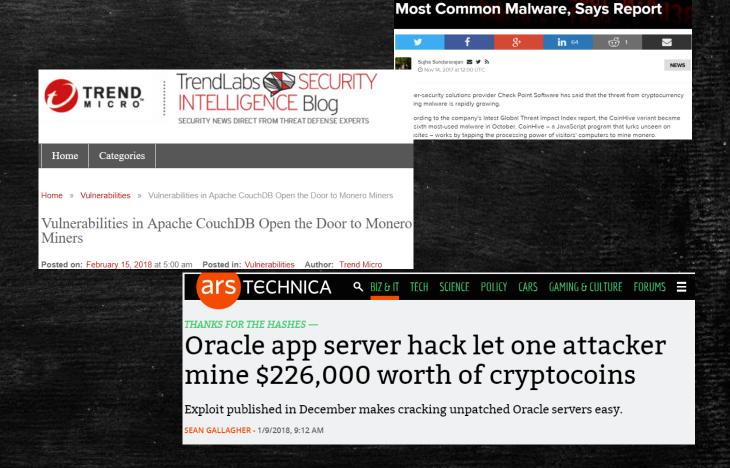
I keep getting reports about AMI images in Amazon's AWS, which come "pre-pwned." These images typically include for the malicious modifications.



# 2018: Year of the CryptoMiner

- Cryptomining is the new Ransomware
- NoSQL attack campaign shifted
- Open S<sub>3</sub> buckets being attacked
- Any vulnerable system is a target





CoinHive Cryptocurrency Miner Is 6th

#### Docker Monero Mining Campaign

- TCP/2375 HTTP Admin port for Docker Servers
  - No auth because of course not
- curl http://[ip address]:2375/containers/json | jq'.'
- Run via xmrigDaemon Command
- Proxying miner traffic thru hacked Azure VMs
- Impossible to determine profitability?
- Make The World a Safer Place #TR18

```
'Id": "c8dca0681c80ffff719c7d09377deaaf0d5a459db1
  "/kind swartz"
"Image": "docheck/health",
"ImageID": "sha256:4a0140a5419c5663†281a
"Command": "/xmrigCC/xmrigDaemon",
"Created": 1524587411,
"Labels": {}.
"State": "running",
         "Up 17 minutes",
"HostConfig":
  "NetworkMode": "default"
"NetworkSettings": {
  "Networks":
    "bridge":
      "IPAMConfig": null,
      "Links": null.
      "Aliases": null,
      "EndpointID": "d21009b4a788af3d0d4447e02dbf
      "Gateway": "172.17.0.1",
      "IPAddress": "172.17.0.2",
      "IPPrefixLen": 16.
      "GlobalIPv6Address"
      "GlobalIPv6PrefixLen": 0,
      "MacAddress": "02:42:ac:11:00:02",
      "DriverOpts": null
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# I've seen things...

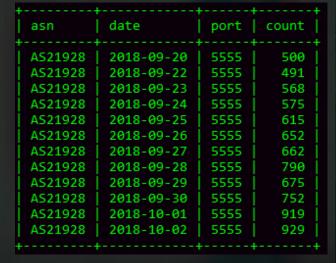
- Shodan is amazing, but botnets, RDP/SMB bruters/etc. are invisible!
- ....no they're not
- Enter Greynoise.io & its network of sensors
- Shodan consumes this data too
  - Searchable via tag:scanner
- Greynoise is metadata heavy (w00t!)
  - Ports, paths, user-agent, ASN





#### ..you people wouldn't believe.

- Correlate probe activity ←→ port exposure
- Port probes against same port exposed? Probably a bot!
  - RDP, SMB, SSH, Telnet, IIS
  - JBoss, Drupal worms, Mirai, etc.
  - 🕨 Muhstik, ZmEu advertise via User-Agent 🙈
  - Trends over time FTW



count	date   tag
26	0   2018-09-28   IIS WebDAV Remote Code Execution CVE-2017-7269
15	0   2018-09-29   IIS WebDAV Remote Code Execution CVE-2017-7269
24	0   2018-09-30   IIS WebDAV Remote Code Execution CVE-2017-7269
30	0   2018-10-01   IIS WebDAV Remote Code Execution CVE-2017-7269
34	0   2018-10-02   IIS WebDAV Remote Code Execution CVE-2017-7269

# Attack patterns coming from Belgium..

- 2 big ISPs are Skynet Belgium & Telenet BVBA
  - Skynet: AS6848
  - Telenet: AS5432
  - Novotel hotel network: AS9031
- Belgian networks are quite clean!



```
"2018-10-03 04:09:21,AS6848,Telnet Worm,Telenet N.V. Residentials"
"2018-10-03 03:08:56,AS6848,Mirai,Telenet Operaties N.V."
"2018-10-03 01:48:26,AS6848,Mirai,Telenet N.V. Residentials"
"2018-10-02 21:06:54,AS6848,Telnet Worm,Telenet BVBA"
"2018-10-02 21:06:03,AS6848,Mirai,Telenet BVBA"
"2018-10-02 17:53:45,AS6848,Mirai,Telenet N.V. Residentials"
"2018-10-02 15:19:00,AS6848,Mirai,Telenet N.V. Residentials"
"2018-10-02 11:04:19,AS6848,Telnet Worm,Telenet Operaties N.V."
"2018-10-02 11:03:49,AS6848,Mirai,Telenet Operaties N.V."
"2018-10-02 04:54:48,AS6848,Mirai,Telenet Operaties N.V."
"2018-10-02 03:40:58,AS6848,Mirai,Telenet Operaties N.V."
"2018-10-02 03:40:58,AS6848,Mirai,Telenet Operaties N.V."
"2018-10-02 03:40:58,AS6848,Mirai,Telenet Operaties N.V."
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"2018-10-03 06:23:40,A55432,Telnet Worm,Proximus NV"

"2018-10-03 06:17:45,A55432,Mirai,Proximus NV"

"2018-10-03 06:05:54,A55432,SSH Worm,Proximus NV"

"2018-10-03 06:05:54,A55432,SSH Worm,Proximus NV"

"2018-10-03 04:14:19,A55432,SSH Worm,Proximus NV"

"2018-10-02 19:13:19,A55432,SSH Worm,Proximus NV"

"2018-09-26 12:34:29,A59031,Telnet Worm,EDPNET"

"2018-09-10 20:25:54,A59031,Unknown Linux Worm,EDPnet_ADSL_Dynamic"

"2018-10-02 09:01:28,A55432,SSH Worm,Proximus NV"

"2018-10-02 09:12,A55432,Mirai,Proximus NV"

"2018-10-02 09:58:15,A55432,Telnet Worm,Proximus NV"

"2018-10-02 00:58:15,A55432,PHPMyAdmin Worm,Proximus NV"

"2018-10-02 00:56:23,A55432,IIS WebDAY Remote Code Execution CVE-2017-7269,Proximus NV"
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# Cloud networks scanning the world..

- Malicious cloud tenants
- My cell carrier is full of Mirai? WTF T-Mobile!

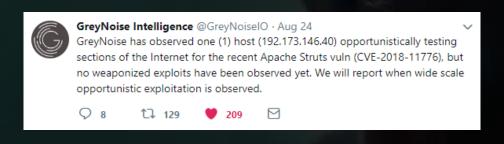
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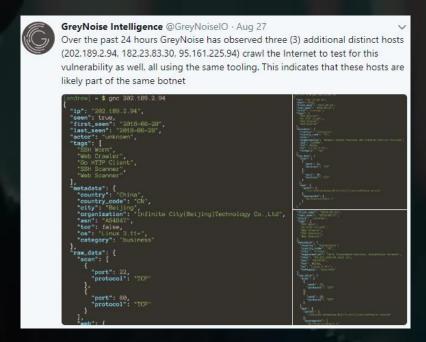
- 2 "AS45090, Huawei HG532 UPnP Worm CVE-2017-17215"
- 225 "AS45090, IIS WebDAV Remote Code Execution CVE-2017-7269"
  - 2 "AS45090, Jboss Worm"
- 107 "AS45090.Mirai"
  - 4 "AS45090,Oracle WebLogic CVE-2017-10271 Worm"
- 506 "AS45090, PHPMyAdmin Worm"
- 504 "AS45090,SSH Worm"
- 120 "AS45090, Telnet Worm"
  - 1 "AS45090, Windows RDP Cookie Hijacker CVE-2014-6318"
  - 4 "AS45090, Wordpress Worm"
  - 3 "AS45090,ZmEu Worm"

- 2 "AS14061, Belkin N750 Worm CVE-2014-1635"
- 1 "AS14061, Drupal CVE-2018-7600 Worm"
- 2 "AS14061, Embedded Device Worm"
- 2 "AS14061, GPON CVE-2018-10561 Router Worm"
- 2 "AS14061,IIS WebDAV Remote Code Execution CVE-2017-7269"
- 139 "AS14061, Mirai"
- 38 "AS14061,PHPMyAdmin Worm"
- 1 "AS14061, Realtek Miniigd UPnP Worm CVE-2014-8361"
- 745 "AS14061,SSH Worm"
- 224 "AS14061, Telnet Worm"
- 7 "AS14061, Unknown Linux Worm"
- 7 "AS14061, Windows RDP Cookie Hijacker CVE-2014-6318"
- 1 "AS14061, Wordpress Worm"
- 8 "AS14061,ZmEu Worm"
- 2 "AS16509,ADB Worm'
- 1 "AS16509, IIS WebDAV Remote Code Execution CVE-2017-7269"
- 2 "AS16509.Jboss Worm"
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- 12 "AS8075, Telnet Worm"
- 7 "AS8075,Unknown Linux Worm"
- 6 "AS8075,Windows RDP Cookie Hijacker CVE-2014-6318"
- 2 "AS8075, Wordpress Worm"
- 1 "AS8075, Wordpress XML RPC Worm"

#### None of this data will be lost in time..

- It may be possible to predict attacks based on trends
- Time-to-weaponize may become calculatable
- Iran is doing something....interesting
- More on that in 2019....





# Captain: For great justice

- Update your laaS VMs immediately after deployment
- Review firewall settings before deployment
- For sensitive roles consider building your laaS Image
- Better visibility into out-of-the-box laaS VM security
  - Age of laaS VM image
  - Default firewall policies
  - Version info of daemons/services
- Azure Security Center: Free tier provides recommendations





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