Botnets

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Botnets

- Collection of compromised/hijacked machines (bots, zombies) under control of an attacker (botmaster)
- Many different ways to compromise machines for a botnet
 - Malware = software containing a virus or worm
 - A worm = virus that spreads to other computers
 - Drive-by-download = User visits compromised website that exploits a vulnerability in the browser
 - Attacks against weakly protected systems, e.g. password dictionary attacks

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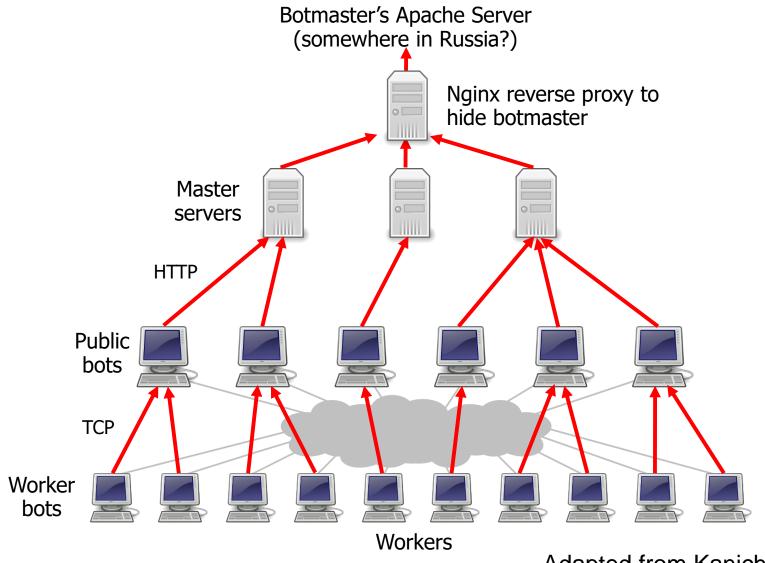
Command and Control

- Once a machine has been "recruited" for a botnet it is ready to receive instructions from the botmaster
 - Commands
 - Updates
 - The bot software can also transfer information from the infected machine to the botmaster (passwords etc.)
- Botmaster operates a Command-and-Control server that communicates with the bots

Command and Control (2)

- Challenge for botmaster: Operate a C&C server...
 - without reveiling the botmaster's identity
 - without raising alarms of admins/users who monitor the traffic of their machines
 - in a flexible way. If the C&C server is discovered and shut down by the police or the ISP, the bots should be able to find a new C&C server
- Lots of ways to design a C&C infrastructure
 - Topology: Star, hierarchical, p2p
 - Communication: Encrypted, stealthy (hidden)
 - Protocols: HTTP, IRC,...

Storm Botnet (2007)



Adapted from Kanich et al.

Storm Architecture

- Used for spamming
- Infection of Windows computers through malware (exe-file distributed through e-mail attachments)
- "Worker bots" = computers that request jobs (spam, DDoS) from the masters servers and execute them
- "Public bots" = infected computers that are externally accessible
- Encrypted P2P protocol (Overnet) to find other nodes (not used for data exchange, only for location information)
- Small number of "master servers"
 - Compromised computers hosted in data centers
 - Nginx reverse proxy server, hide the top-level server of the botmaster
 - Likely managed by botmaster directly

Storm Architecture (2)

- To find the master servers, bots resolve a domain name (e.g. evilmaster.com)
- IP address of domain name is rapidly changed, pointing to a compromised computer (several times per hours; "Fast Flux DNS")
 - This technique was originally invented for load balancing (sending clients to different servers)

- Very resilient architecture
 - Layered
 - Peer to peer: decentralized, harder to get down that the old IRC channel approach

What can you do with a botnet?

- Type of commands in Storm botnet:
 - Activation
 - Harvest e-mail addresses from host
 - Spamming
 - DDoS
 - Sniff passwords
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Fighting botnets

- 1. Prevent infection with bot malware. Hard 🕾
- 2. Take down C&C server. Hard because of the botnet architecture \otimes
- 3. Intrude the botnet and send switch-off command
 - Was successful in the past but modern botnets use encryption and authentication
- 4. Seize the domain names used by the botnet
 - Was quite successful in the past
 - Modern botnets generate large lists (50k) of possible domains using a deterministic algorithm known by all bots
 - Bots try randomly subset from that list
 - Botnet can only be stopped if all domain names on the list seized
 - → Leads to a possible bot detection method: hosts that make a lot of failed DNS queries are suspicious

Attack Economy

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- People are willing to pay for
 - Spam services
 - Accounts, credit card numbers,...
 - DDoS attacks
 - Click fraud
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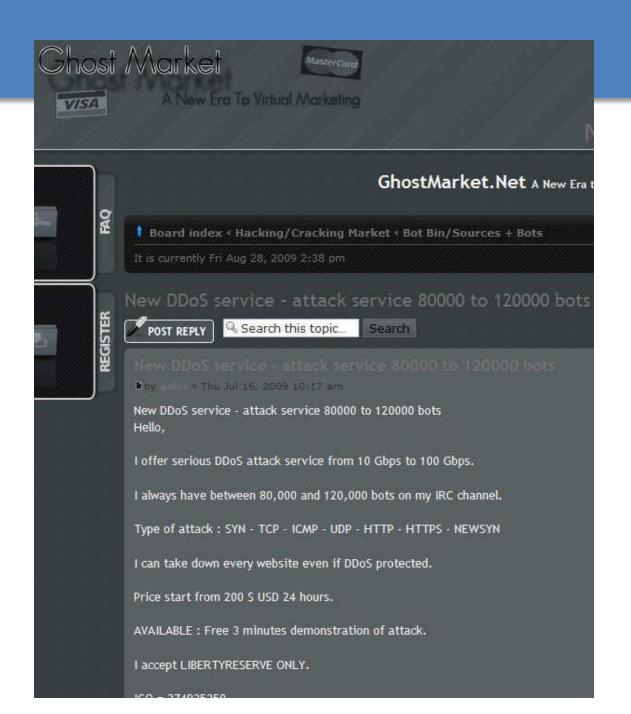
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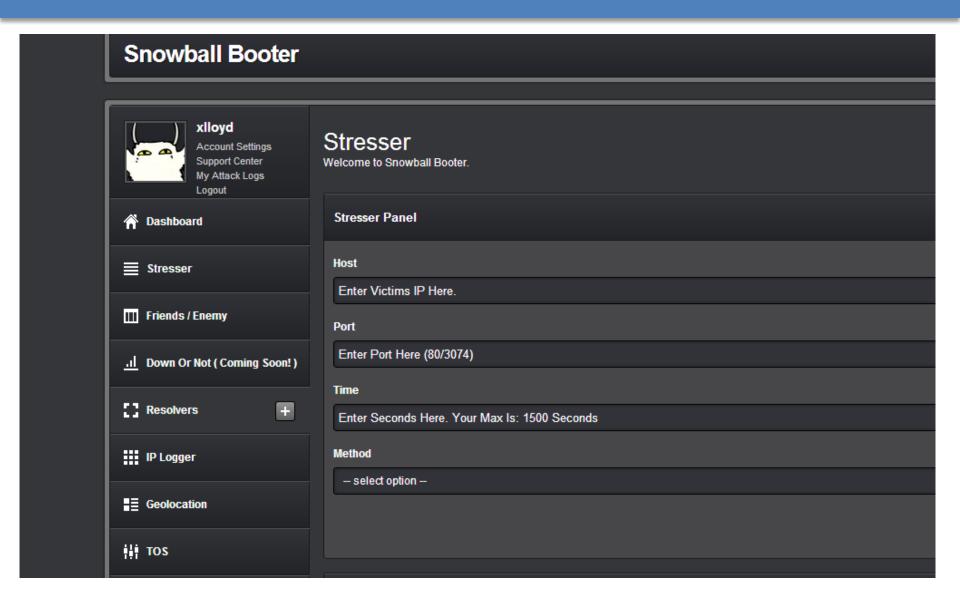
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Booters

- Booter = DDoS as a service (often called "stresser")
- Booters An Analysis of DDoS-as-a-Service Attacks
 Santanna et al., 2014

"Of the 14 Booters from which we purchased attacks,
5 Booters did not perform the UDP-based attacks that we
ordered: 3 of those did not send any traffic, and 2 surprisingly
generated a handful of TCP packets. The 9 remaining Booters
performed as requested, however, and generated more than 250
GB of traffic."

Booters: Example



Booters: Example 2

