



Starkiller: Threat Emulation Platform for Red Teams and Penetration Testers

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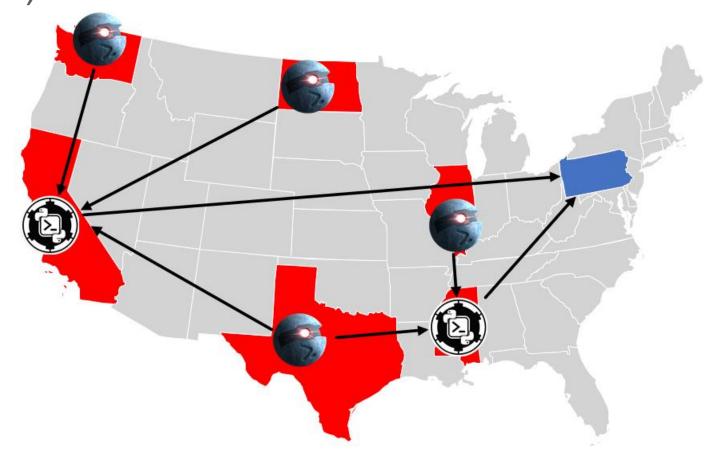
Adversary Emulation

A Red Team exercise that emulates how adversaries operate and follows similar tactics, techniques, and procedures (TTPs) to obtain a specific objective.



Red Team Infrastructure

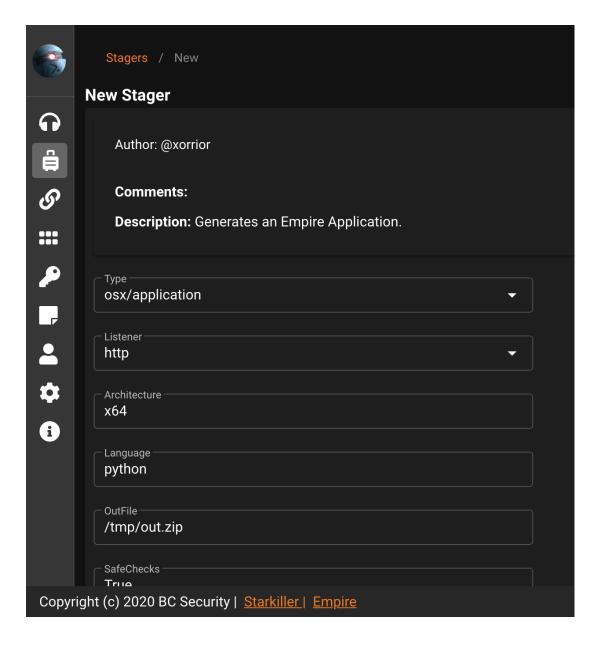
- Stage payloads, control implants, and store target data just like Advanced Persistent Threats (APTs)
- We don't want the discovery of a single domain or endpoint to compromise the whole operation
- It's how real adversaries run their operations





What is Starkiller?

- Intuitive Command and Control (C2) Interface
- Multi-User Support
- On-the-fly Reporting
- Simplified Workflows





Empire

- Post-Exploitation Framework built around PowerShell and Python
- Can be ran as a Team Server or All-in-one C2
- Adaptive Modules
- Original project ended support in August 2019
 - Still being maintained as a Fork by us
 - https://github.com/BC-SECURITY/Empire





Why PowerShell?

- Gives Full .NET Access
- Direct access to Win32 API
- Operates in Memory
- Installed by default in Windows





Red teams and MS:

Powershell abuse is totally played out. Glad that problem is solved.

Real world criminal groups and most APT attackers: STILL POWERSHELL ALL DAY BABY

(Meaning: actually make sure you have PS abuse well-defended before you worry about the latest C# hotness.)

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#OilRig targets LANDesk Agent users via PowDesk - New PowerShell-based malware resembles QUADAGENT.

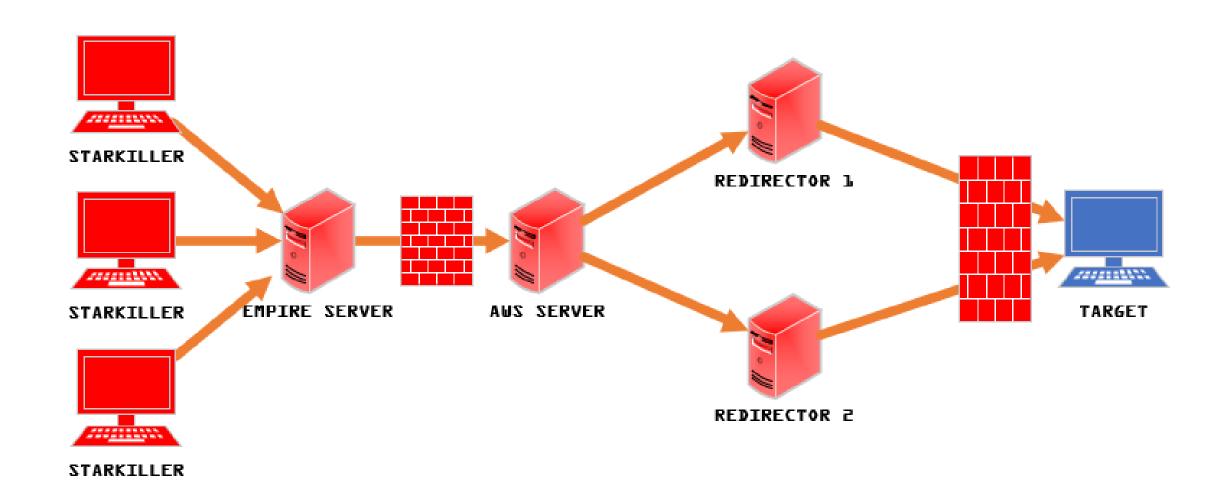
PowDesk checks for the presence of LANDesk Agent folder and service before C&C beacon.

Full analysis coming soon.

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Red Team Infrastructure w/Starkiller





Starkiller

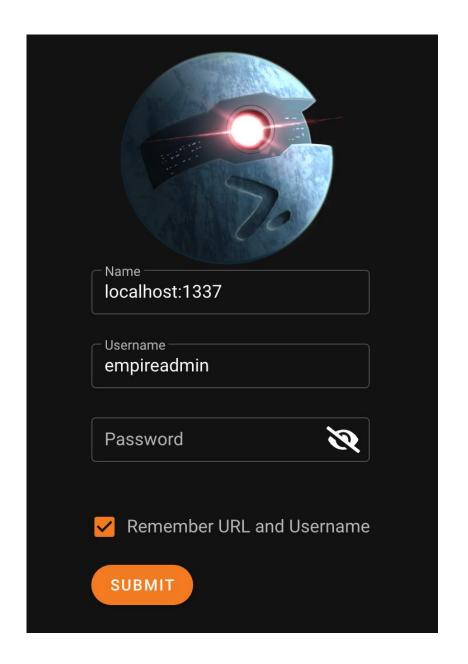
- Remote control of Empire (from a distance)
- Option to run solo or as a team
- Goal:
 - More efficient Red Team workflows
 - Team-oriented engagements





Starkiller Setup

- Run Empire with its API
 - ./empire --rest
- Default login
 - Username: empireadmin
 - Password: password123
- Multiplatform
 - Windows
 - MacOS
 - Linux





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