

209: a local hacking odyssey

The MITM attack against password manager

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1992 ~ 2015 software developer of Windows.

2015 ~

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- 2016 AVTOKYO
- 2017 BSides Las Vegas
- 2018 GrrCON / ToorCon / DerbyCon / AVTOKYO
- 2019 HackMiami / LeHack

2018 ~

BSides Tokyo Organizer

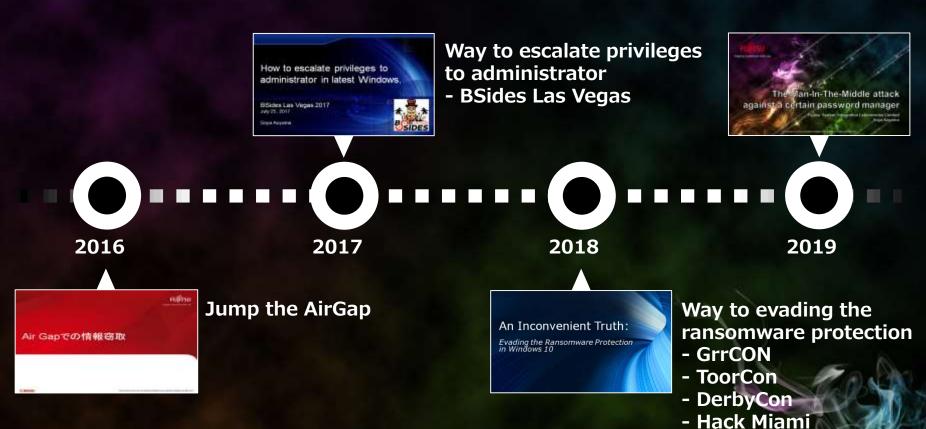
- 2018 first BSides in East Asia



What is a Local Hacking?

- Attacks that
 - after breaking into local PC
 - without regard administrator privileges

My research history



LeHack

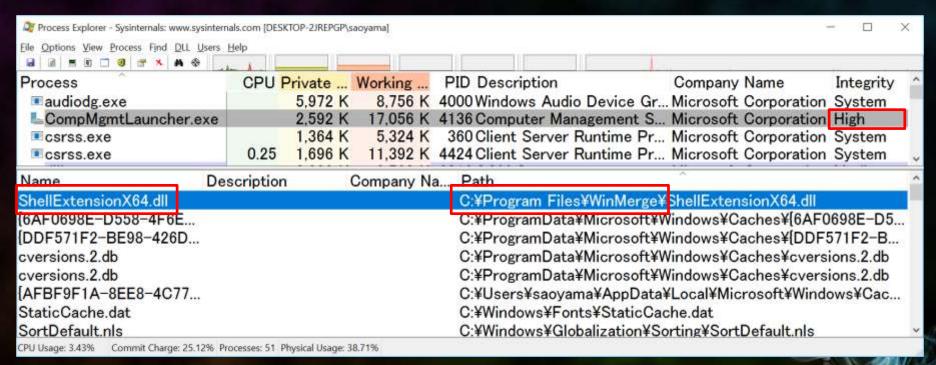
How to escalate privileges to administrator in latest Windows"

How to escalate privileges to administrator in latest Windows. BSides Las Vegas 2017 July 25, 2017 Soya Aoyama

- Basic Concept
- Detail

It all started...

When I execute the CompMgmtLauncher



CompMgmtLauncher.exe

- does not display the UAC screen
- executes with administrator privileges
- loads 3rd Party dll (in Program Files Folder)

What processes can access programmer's folder?

– Explorer.exe?

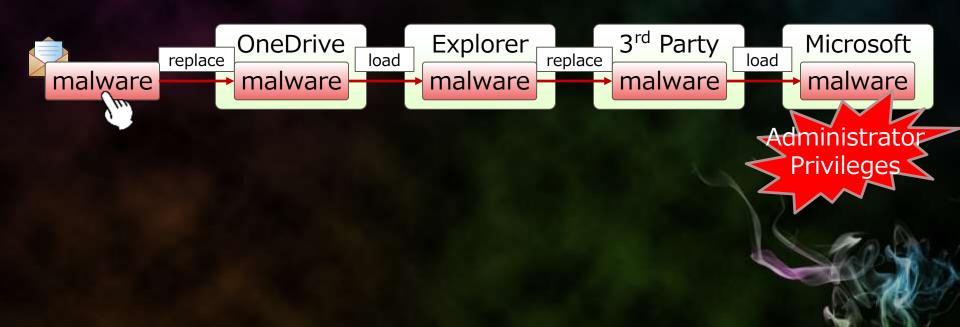
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I checked the Explorer

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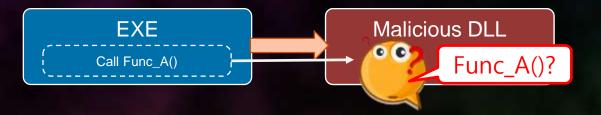
Which means...

I found a way to get administrator privileges

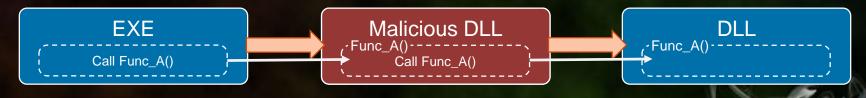


Basic Concept

Replace the correct dll with malicious one

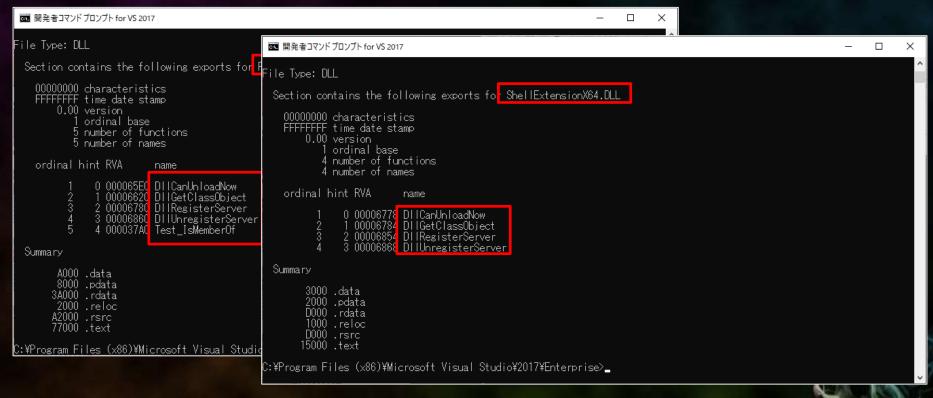


Pass through the function to the correct dll



What functions the dll has

I used the dumpbin command



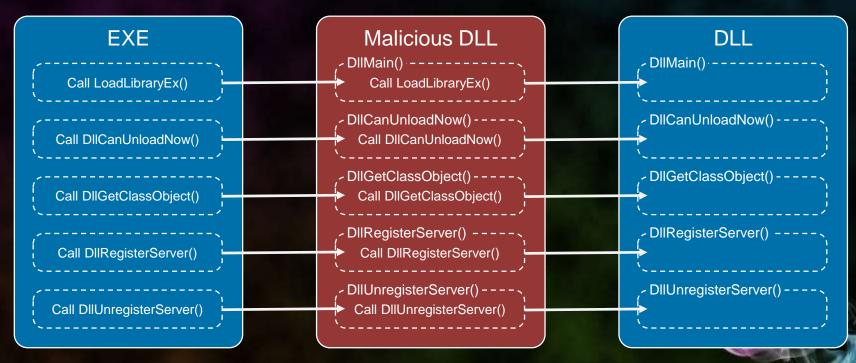
The four functions API

Describe on Microsoft web site.

- HRESULT DllCanUnloadNow(void);
- HRESULT DllGetClassObject(REFCLSID rclsid, REFIID riid, LPVOID *ppv);
- HRESULT DllRegisterServer(void);
- HRESULT DllUnregisterServer (void);

So...

Only need to implement four functions



To realize concept

- the implementation necessary
- Load the correct DLL and get its handle hModule = LoadLibraryEx(lpLibFileName, hFile, dwFlags);
- 2. Get address of each function using handle
 Address = GetProcAddress(hModule, lpProcName);
- 3. When called from EXE, call the corresponding function with the correct arguments return Address(arg1, arg2, ...);

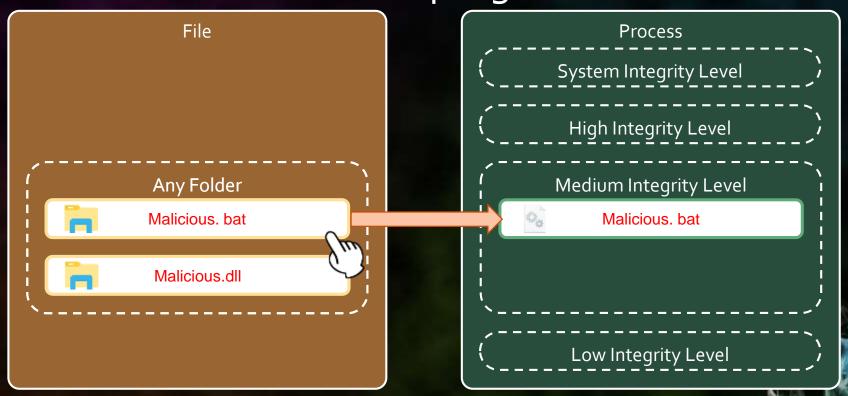
Source Code

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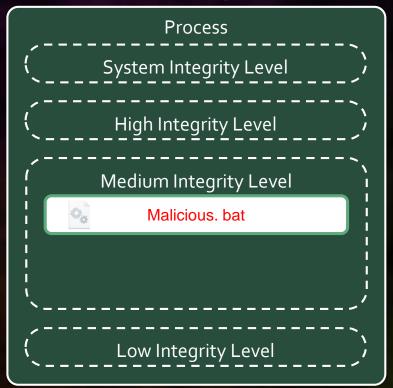
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#include <Shobjidl.h>
typedef HRESULT( stdcall *CUN)(void);
typedef HRESULT( stdcall *GCO)(REFCLSID rclsid, REFIID riid, LPVOID *ppv);
typedef HRESULT( stdcall *RS)(void);
typedef HRESULT(_stdcall *US)(void);
CUN CanUnloadNow:
GCO GetClassObject;
RS RegisterServer;
US UnregisterServer;
BOOL APIENTRY DIIMain(HMODULE hModule, DWORD ul reason for call, LPVOID lpReserved)
  if (DLL PROCESS ATTACH == ul reason for call) {
      WCHAR dII[MAX PATH + 1] = \{ 0 \};
      GetModuleFileName(hModule, dll, MAX PATH);
     wcscat(dll, L" ");
      HINSTANCE hDllInstance = ::LoadLibraryEx(dll, NULL, LOAD WITH ALTERED SEARCH PATH);
      CanUnloadNow = (CUN)GetProcAddress(hDllInstance, "DllCanUnloadNow");
      GetClassObject = (GCO)GetProcAddress(hDllInstance, "DllGetClassObject");
      RegisterServer = (RS)GetProcAddress(hDllInstance, "DllRegisterServer");
      UnregisterServer = (US)GetProcAddress(hDllInstance, "DllUnregisterServer");
   return TRUE:
STDAPI DllCanUnloadNow(void) { return CanUnloadNow(); }
STDAPI DIIGetClassObject(REFCLSID rclsid, REFIID riid, LPVOID *ppv) { return GetClassObject(rclsid, riid, ppv); }
STDAPI DllRegisterServer(void) { return RegisterServer(); }
STDAPI DIlUnregisterServer(void) { return UnregisterServer(); }
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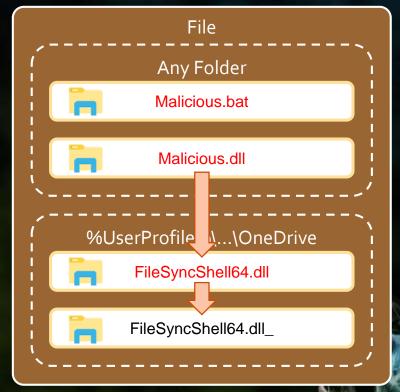
Demonstration video 1

User executes malicious program

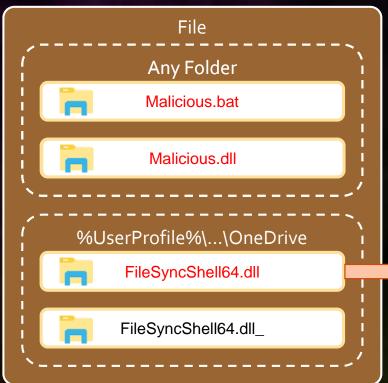


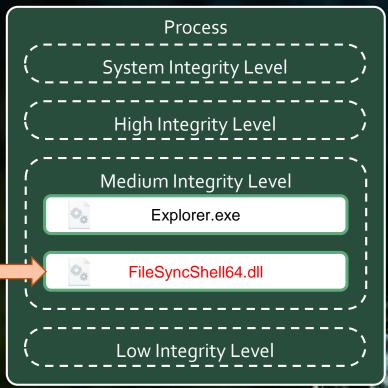
Malicious program replaces correct dll with itself



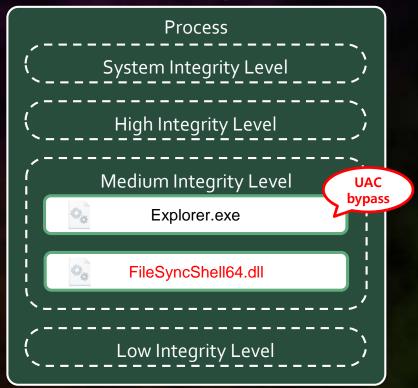


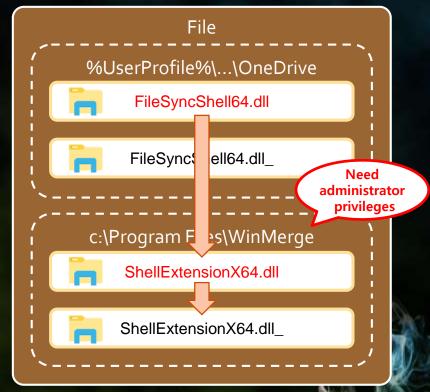
Explorer loads malicious dll



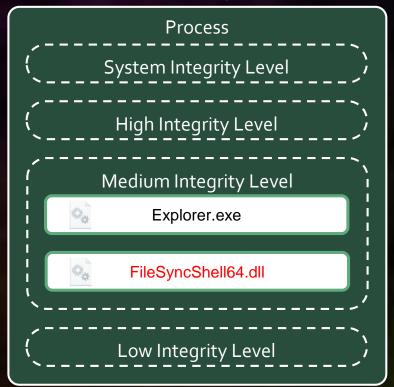


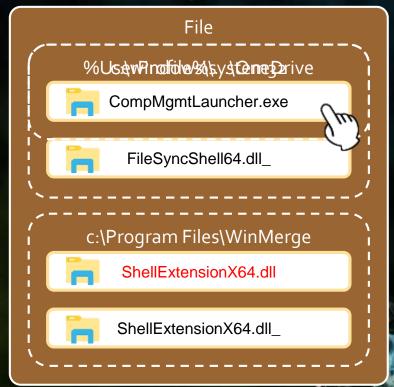
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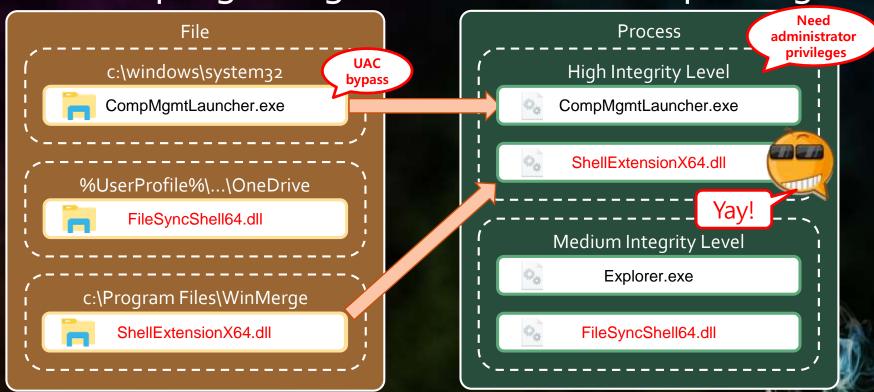


Malicious program executes CompMgmtLauncher





Malicious program gets administrative privileges



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Click here to submit a security vulnerability

I submitted a vulnerability report MSRC said…

MSRC said… can not pay the reward

Hello,

Thank you for contacting the Microsoft Security Response Center (MSRC). Upon investigation determined that this does not meet the bar for security servicing as binary planting in the application directory would already indicate the user is compromised.

For an in-depth discussion of what constitutes a product vulnerability please see the following:

"Definition of a Security Vulnerability"

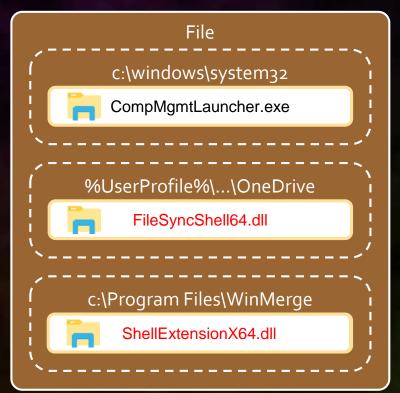
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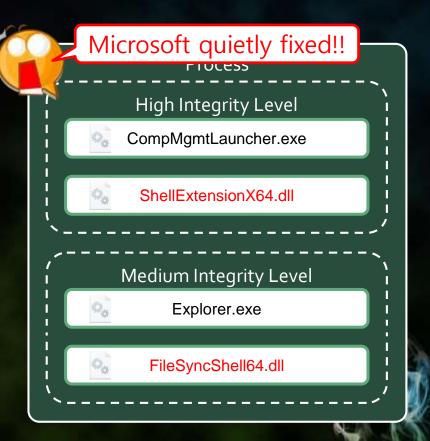
Again, we appreciate your report.

Regards,

However...

This issue has been fixed





How important is administrator privilege?

- Little change in what an attacker can do
- A lot of data locally

Attacks that do not require administrator privileges

→ The Local Hacking

An Inconvenient Truth: <u>Evading the Ransomware Protection in Windows10</u>

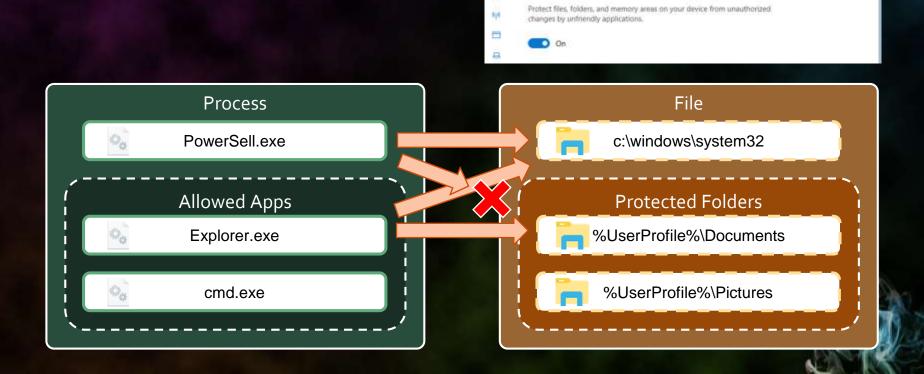
An Inconvenient Truth:

Evading the Ransomware Protection in Windows 10

- Basic Concept
- Detail

I noticed

There is a defect in Ransomware Protection



Controlled folder access

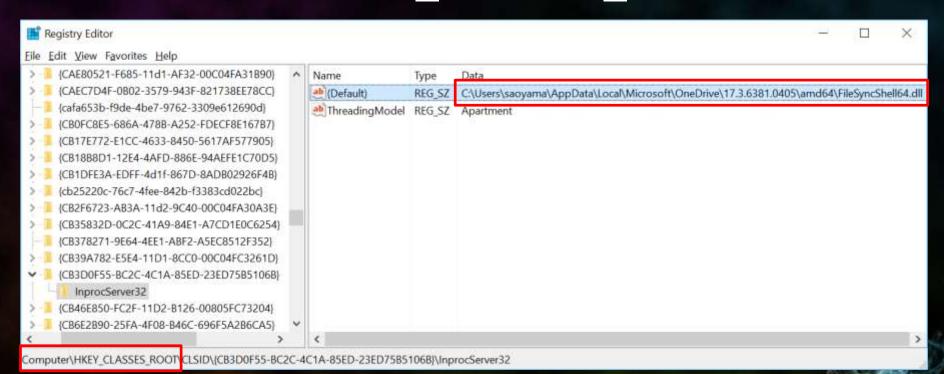
It all started

Why does Explorer load OneDrive dll?

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■Isass.exe		4,920 K	14,376 K	532 Local Security Authority	Microsoft	Corporation	System		
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I searched in the registry

It was found in HKEY_CLASSES_ROOT



What HKEY_CLASSES_ROOT? HKCR is that merges HKLM with HKCU



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Merged View of HKEY_CLASSES_ROOT

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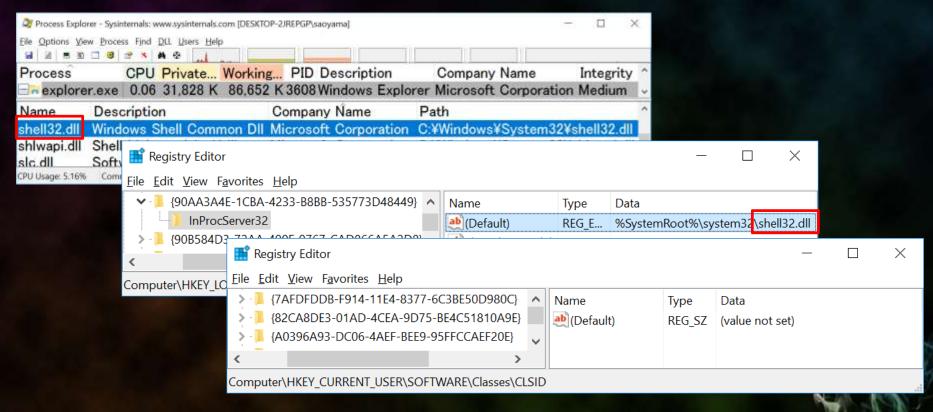
The RegOpenUserClassesRoot function provides a merged view for processes, such as services, that are dealing with clients other than the interactive user. In this case, the HKEY_CLASSES_ROOT key provides a view of the registry that merges the information from HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\Software\Classes with the information from HKEY CURRENT USER\Software\Classes.

The system uses the following rules to merge information from the two sources:

- The merged view includes all subkeys of the HKEY CURRENT USER\Software\Classes key.
- The merged view includes all immediate subkeys of the HKEY LOCAL MACHINE\Software\Classes key that do not duplicate the subkeys of HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Classes.
- At the end of this topic is a list of subkeys that are found in both HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\Software\Classes and HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Classes. The immediate subkeys of these keys from the HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE tree are included in the merged view only if they are not duplicates of immediate subkeys from the HKEY_CURRENT_USER tree. The merged view does not include the HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE contents of duplicate subkeys.

Which dll meets the requirements?

I found it



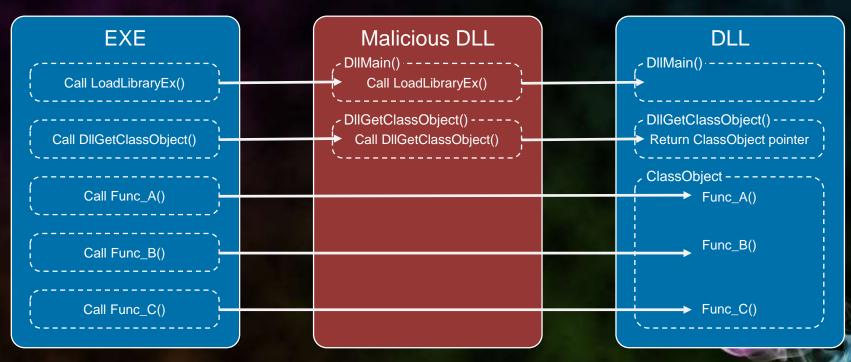
What functions the dll has

I used the dumpbin command

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■ 開発者コマンドプロンプト for VS 2017
File Type: DLL
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   6A056922 time date stamp
        0.00 version
            2 ordinal base
        2000 number of functions
         482 number of names
   ordinal hint RVA
                              AppCompat RunDLLW
                   0006C610 AssocCreateForClasses
                 3 001FF250 CDefFolderMenu Create2
                              CIDLData_CreateFromIDArray
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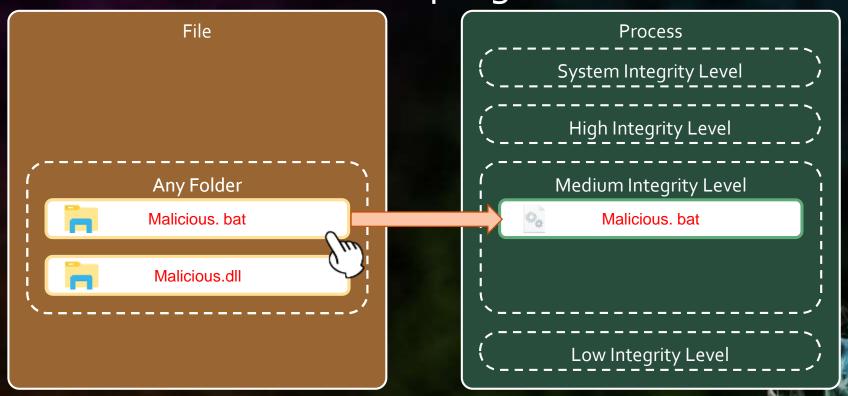
However...

Only need to implement four export functions

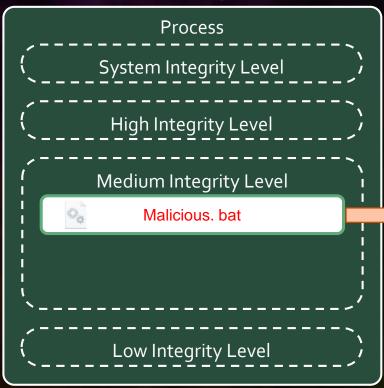


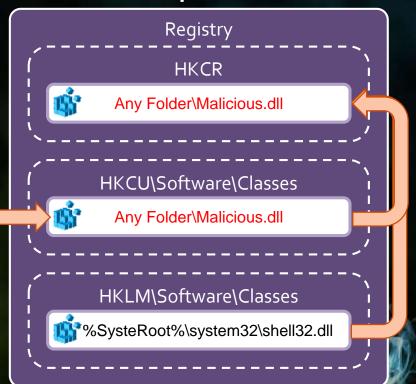
Demonstration video 2

User executes malicious program

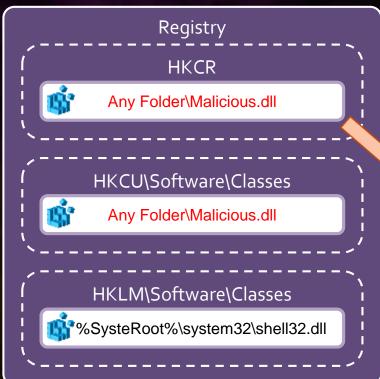


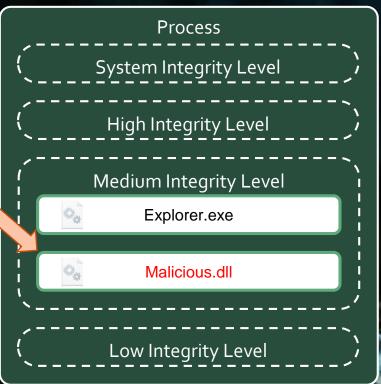
Malicious program writes malicious path to HKCU



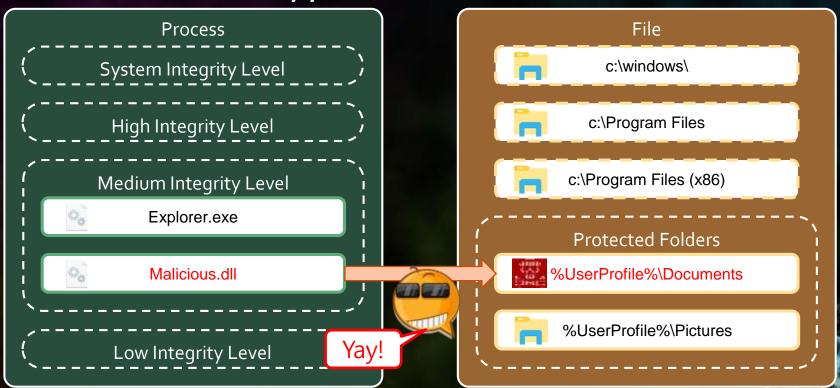


Explorer loads malicious dll





Malicious dll encrypts files in Protected Folders



It's revenge I submitted a vulnerability report MSRC said…

MSRC said… can not pay the reward

Hello,

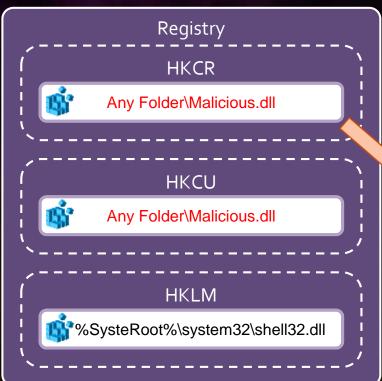
Thank you for contacting the Microsoft Security Response Center (MSRC). If I am interpret correctly, this report is predicated on the attacker having login access to the target's account aready. For ed by planting a dll through registry modifications. Since you are only able to write to HKCU, you will not be able to effect other users, just the target you have already compromised through other means. There also does not appear to be an escalation of privileges and you already had the same access level as the target. It would appear the attacker would not gain anything from this attack and could already do anything that the planting could trigger. As your report as written, this does not meet the bar for security servicing.

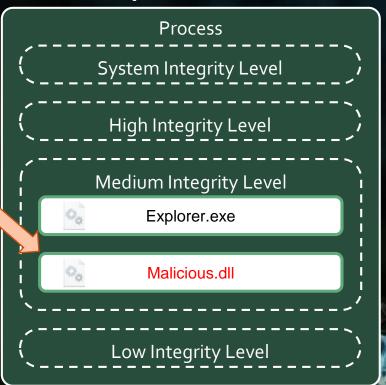
As such, this thread is being closed and no longer monitored.

If you believe this to be a misunderstanding of the report, submit a new email to secure@microsoft.com without a CRM number in the subject line. Please include:

By the way

Microsoft has not fixed this issue yet





Microsoft says…

Local Hacking is not a vulnerability

Attackers can do whatever they want

The Further Local Hacking

You Ain't Seen Nothin' Yet!

Do you use the password long enough and complexity?

Don't tell me you use Post-it!!

A password for the Hawaii emergency agency was hiding in a public photo, written on a Post-it note

Kif Leswing Jan. 16, 2018, 3:07 PM









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Don't tell me you reuse password!!

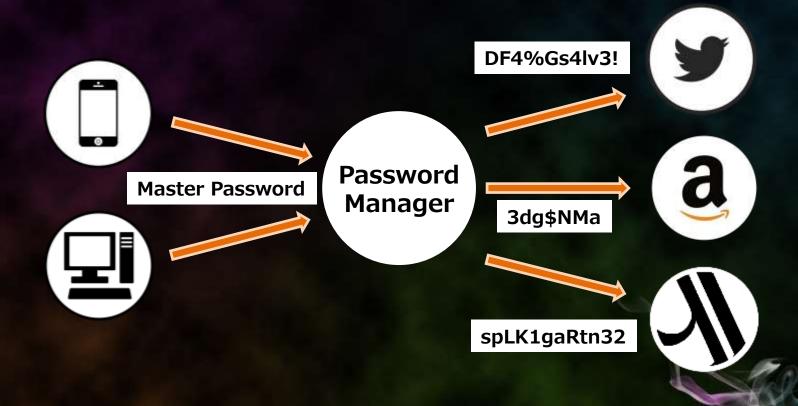
Github accounts Hacked in 'Password reuse attack'

🛗 June 17, 2016 🛔 Swati Khandelwal





What is a password manager?

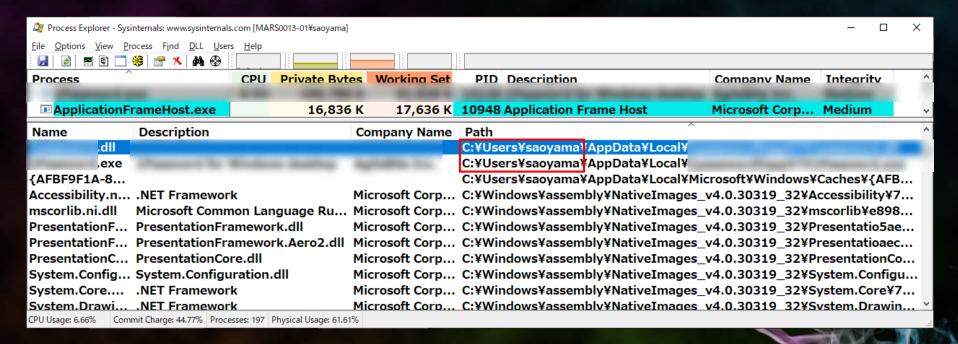


There are various products



RoboForm

Oh my... There are exe and dll in Users folder



xxxx.dll

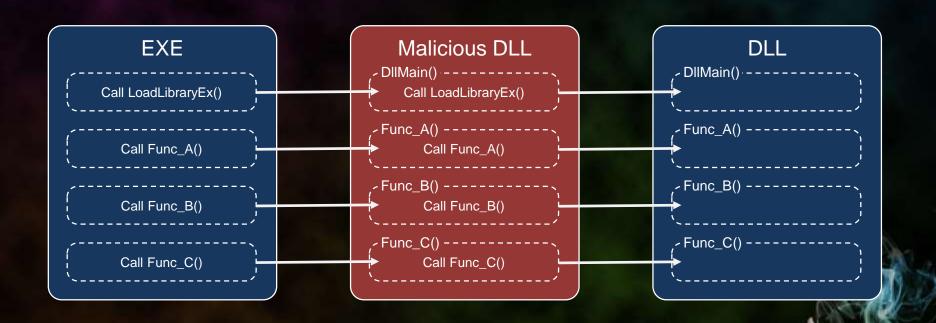
Does not have following export functions

- DllCanUnloadNow()
- DllGetClassObject()
- DllRegisterServer()
- DllUnregisterServer()

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■ 見えきコヤンドブロンプト for VS 2017
le Type: REL
Section contains the following exports for TPassword, dll
  00000000 characteristics
   FFFFFFFF time date stamp
       0.00 version
           ordinal base
        156 number of functions
                        bool_policy
                00194E90 brain los
                        bz_internal_error
                        can_backup_local_vault
                00186A39 count offline changes
                00194580 create_item_details_ison
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Can steal the information of Functions

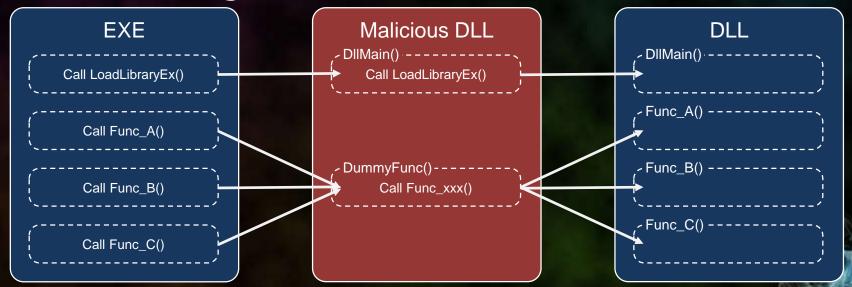
Implementation of all functions is impossible



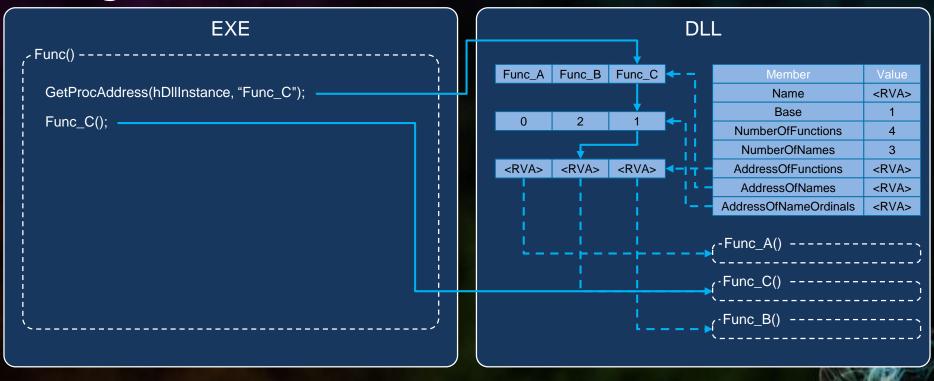
Need a generic DLL

Does not depend on

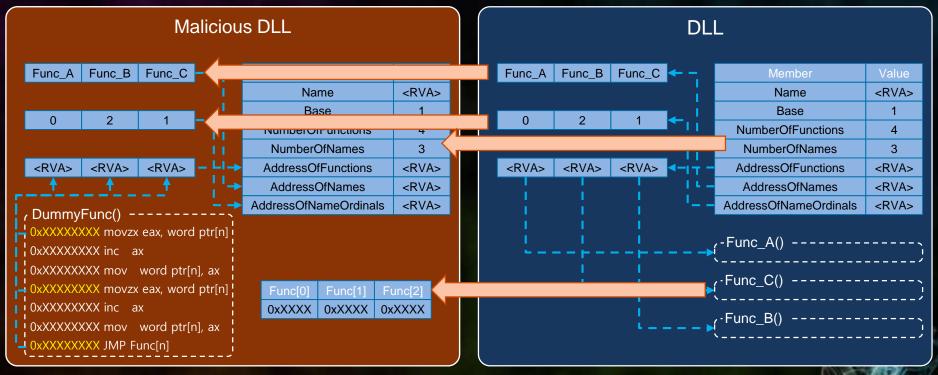
- number of export functions
- number of arguments



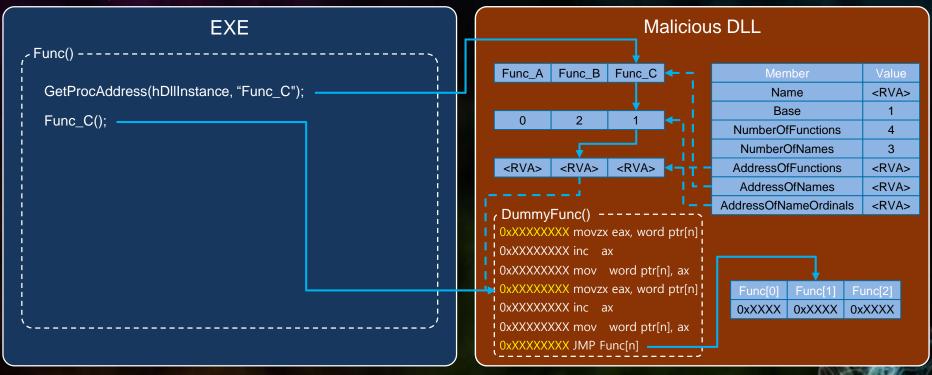
Exe gets address of function via GetProcAddress

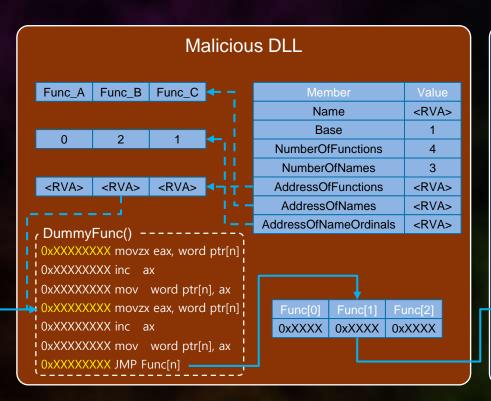


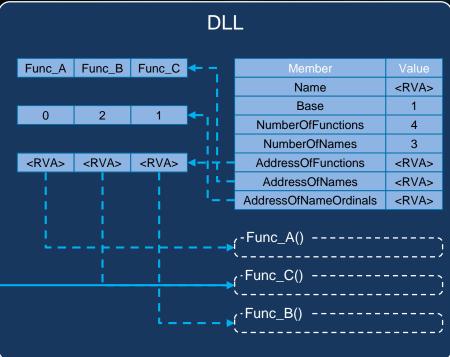
Copy export table from correct dll



Exe gets incorrect address from malicious dll

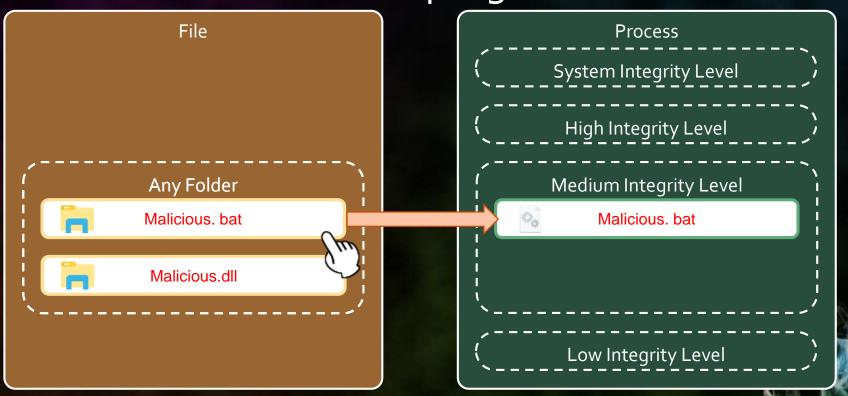




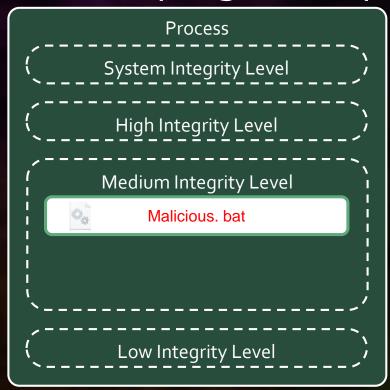


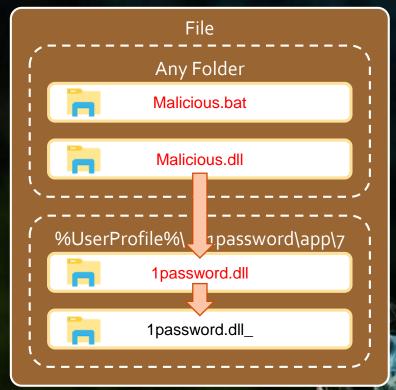
Demonstration video 3

User executes malicious program

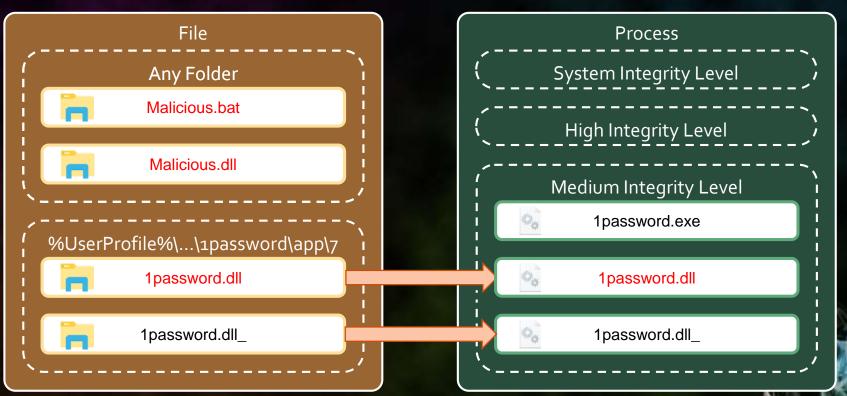


Malicious program replaces correct dll with itself

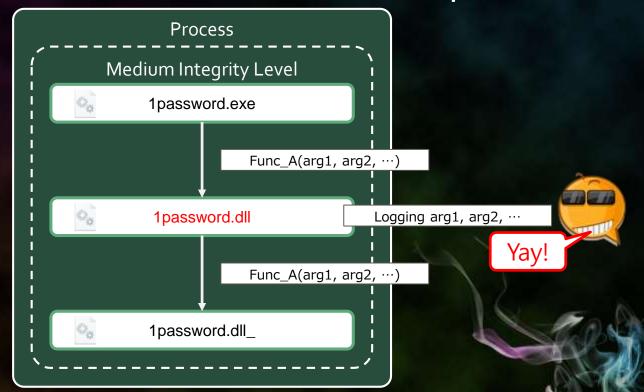




1Password loads malicious dll



The information between exe to dll is plain text



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Program details

Program updates 8

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It's revenge again I submitted a vulnerability report 1Pssword said…

1Password said... can not pay the reward



 $trim_bugcrowd$ added a comment

23 Mar 2019 01:14:26 JST

Hi SoyaAoyama,

We appreciate your work on this submission. This issue was reported before by other researchers as well.

However, after this was reviewed along with 1Password team, it does not qualify for a bount, as it is an attack that depends on a compromise of the user's operating system and environment. That is actually considered as out of scope on this program. As you reported this once on the other program, I am closing it as N/A this time.

Best regards,

trim_bugcrowd

However, after 3 hours pay the reward



Jeffrey_Goldberg rewarded SoyaAoyama \$100

23 Mar 2019 04:36:53 JST

As noted earlier, we can't defend against local compromises, but we are looking at ways to further from. And so because your report resulted in actions and potential changes, we are rewarding it.





Jeffrey_Goldberg rewarded SoyaAoyama \$400

23 Mar 2019 04:39:08 JST

Although local attacks are out of scope, be done.

Although local attacks are out of scope, wanted to add a bonus as we are more systematically reviewing what practically can



1Password releases beta version

7.3.701.BETA (build #701) – released 2019-07-05 – download

NEW

Added support for an upcoming feature with 1Password memberships. Stay tuned for more details. {OPW-3904}

IMPROVEMENTS

- Added temporary support for Opera 60 stable version with an expired key within a valid certificate. {OPW-4001}
- 1Password will notify if an attempt to run 1Password with administrator rights is made. Instead, run 1Password normally and it'll request it when needed. {OPW-3775}

SECURITY

- 1Password will now require administrator rights to install and to update. Thanks to @SoyaAoyama for his reports. {OPW-3959, OPW-3887}
- Inform Windows to limit our DLL search to the 1Password's app directory only and not look for it elsewhere in the default list of known locations. Thanks to @SoyaAoyama for his reports. {OPW-3833}
- Added 1Password.brain.exe to be opt'ed out of Windows Error Reporting. {OPW-3804}
- Removed the --database-path support from 1Password.exe as it could be abused to redirect 1Password to an unexpected location. We recommend using Group Policy to set the database path instead. Thanks @zemnmez! {OPW-3776, OPW-3778}

I just want to say one word!!



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- Does not require administrator privileges
- Remote impersonation is possible

Why is local hacking neglected?

Because, you got already hacked.

Are there nothing to consider after such an invasion?

In Local

- A lot of important data
- Many things attackers can do without becoming administrator

You would take local hacking after intrusion into account

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