Malicious Software
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OUTLINE

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- Viruses and worms
- Virus anti detection and worm-spreading techniques
- Stealth: Trojan Horses, Backdoors, Key loggers and Rootkits
- Rootkit details: installation, object modification, hijacking
- Ransomware, botnets and other beasts
- Social engineering and categorizing malware

DEFINING MALWARE

- What is malware?
- How does malware get into devices?
- What makes malware hard to detect?
- How installation of malware be prevented?

VIRUS AND WORMS

- **Virus**
  - A virus is a malicious executable code attached to another executable file that can be harmless or can modify or delete data.
  - The main objective of viruses is to modify the information.
  - Antivirus software is used for protection against viruses.
  - Viruses generally comes from the shared or downloaded files.
  - It needs human action to replicate. Its spreading speed is slower as compared to worms.
- **Worms**
  - Worms are similar to a virus but it does not modify the program.
  - It replicates itself more and more to cause slow down the computer system. Worms can be controlled by remote.
  - The main objective of worms is to eat the system resources.
  - Worms generally comes from the downloaded files or through network connection

VIRUS ANTI DETECTION

1.Virus with encrypted body

- Uses fixed mapping(X-OR with fixed string)
- The decryption key is changed for each new infection

2. **Polymorphic Virus**

- ✓ Self encrypting virus, a mutation engine generates random decryption routine
- ✓ Decryption routine is varies from infection to infection

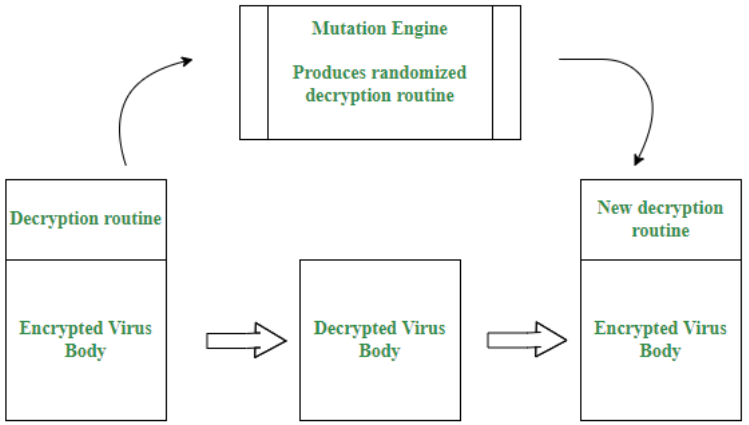
3. **Metamorphic virus**

- Use no encryption
- Per infection virus rewrite its own code
- Mutation both body and mutation engine, body polymorphic

4.Virus with external decryption key

- The decryption key is stored external to the virus itself

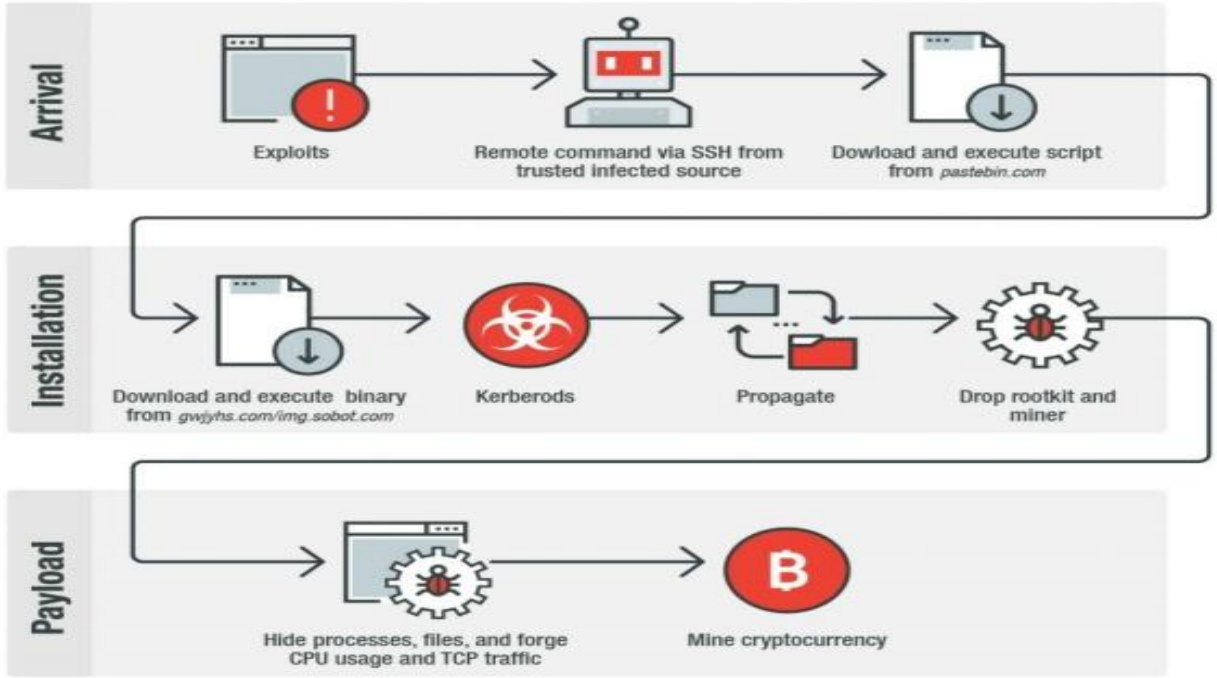
Working of Polymorphic Virus:

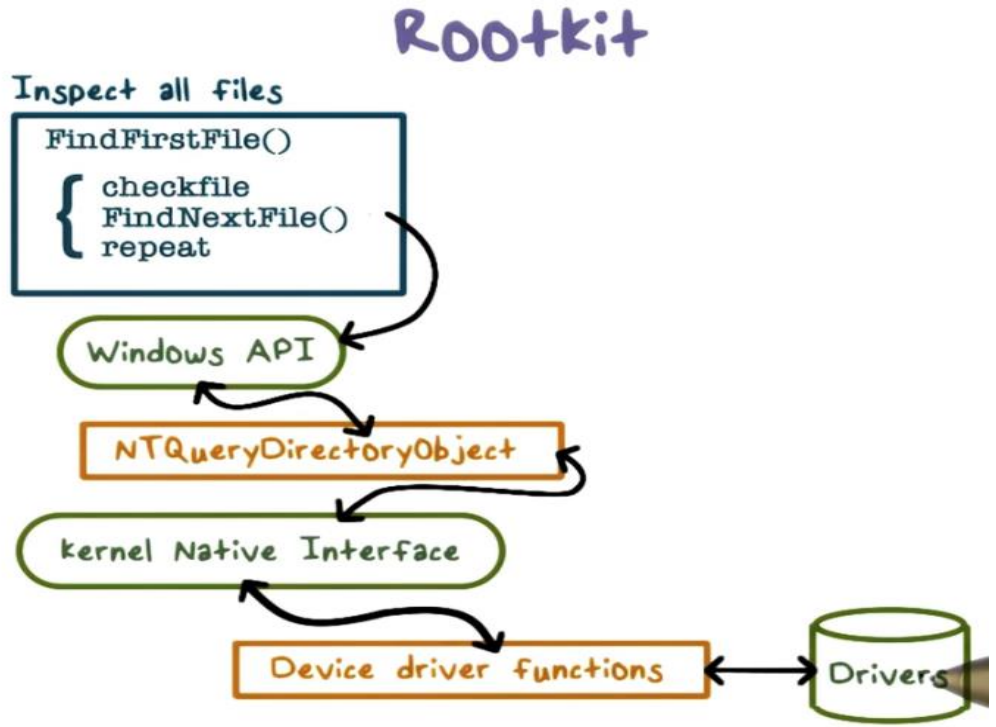


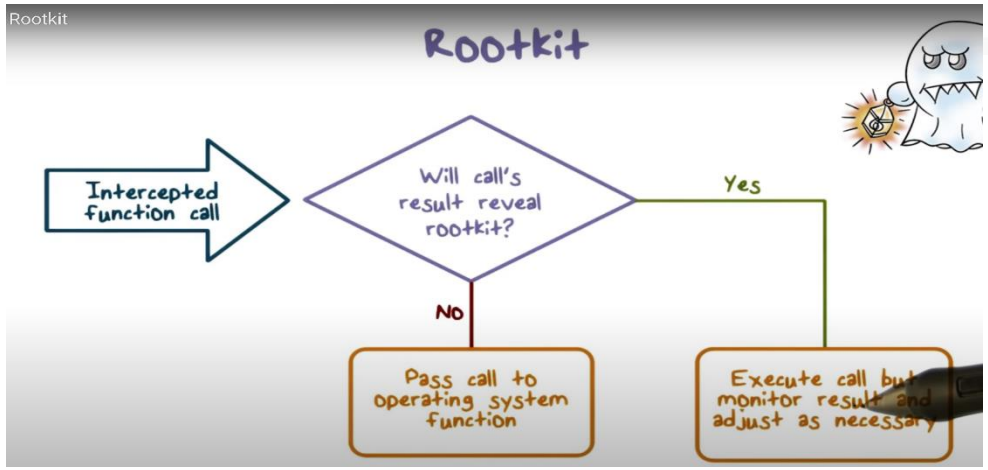
STEALTHY OF TROJAN HORSE,BACKDOOR,KEYLOGGERS AND ROOTKITS

- **Trojan Horse**
  - History of Greek mythology and troy city war.
  - type of malware that downloads onto a computer disguised as a legitimate program
  - Embedded to other software like as games software, emails and web sites link etc.
  - Surveillance to the computer and send the data continuously into the hacker
  - Trojan scanner or malware detection software
- **Backdoor Virus**
  - Malware to specify allow of unauthorized user to bypass security such username and password
  - Hidden entrance door into application, network or computer
  - Attacker can access after removing the virus or malware
  - Strong password, anti-malware virus and firewalls
- **Key loggers**
  - Malicious form of software that secretly install, tracks your own keyboard and send sensitive information to the hacker
  - Download or install when visiting sites
  - Antivirus, virtual keyboards ,firewalls and 2 factor authentication
- **Rootkits**
  - Collection of malicious software enables root access of os and install special program of hackers
  - Administration access. Create ,delete or modify the file
  - Bios program can be infected
  - Anti-virus , malware removal software etc

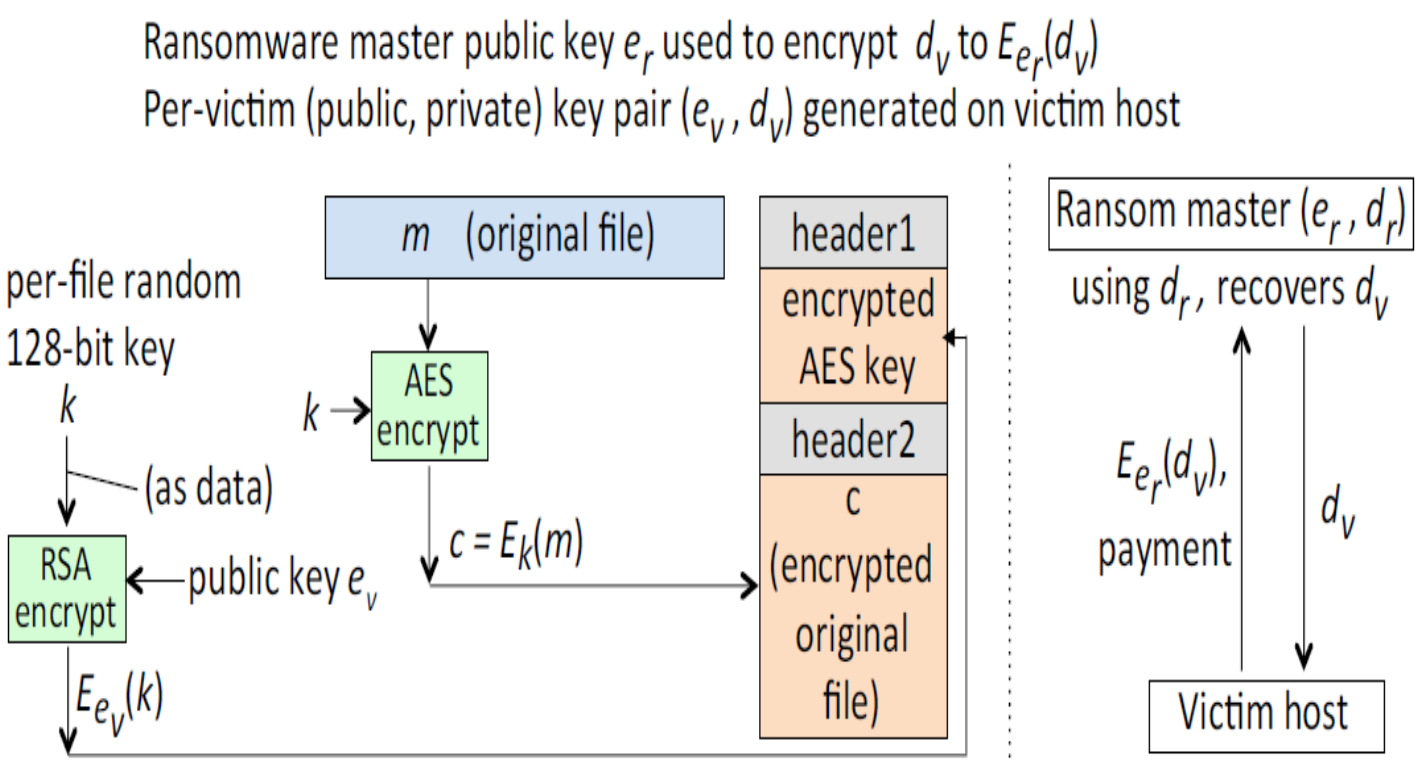
ROOTKIT ARRIVAL, INSTALLATION AND PAYLOAD







- Ransomware
  - ✓ Crypto
  - ✓ Locker
- Botnet
  - ✓ Shellcode
  - ✓ Bot and Botnet
- Logic Bomb



SOCIAL ENGINEERING AND CATEGORIZING MALWARE

- Social Engineering Attacks may trick users into one-step download, installation and execution of malware
- **MALWARE CLASSIFICATION BY OBJECTIVE**
  - Image to host and its data.
  - Data theft.
  - Direct financial gain.
  - Ongoing surveillance.
  - Spread of malwares
  - Control of resources

Rahim.jpg.exe

Category name	Property (blank denotes: no)			
	BREEDS†	HOSTED	STEALTHY	VECTOR
virus	✓	✓		U
worm	✓			N
Trojan horse		✓	✓	E or S
backdoor		maybe	✓	T or S
rootkit, keylogger			✓	T or S
ransomware				T
drive-by download	★		✓	S

- **MALWARE CLASSIFICATION BY TECHNICAL PROPERTIES**
  - Does it breed (self-replicate)?
  - Does it require a host program, as a parasite does?
  - Is it covert (stealthy), taking measures to evade detection and hide its functionality?
  - By what vector does infection occur?
  - Automatically over networks or with user help?
  - If the latter, does it involve social engineering to persuade users to take an action triggering installation (even if as simple as a mouse click on some user interfaces)? Does it enlist the aid of an insider (with privileges beyond that of an external party)?
  - Is it transient (e.g., active content in HTML pages) or persistent (e.g., on startup)?

Thank you