SIEM & SOC – FINAL PROJECT

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Malware Analysis:

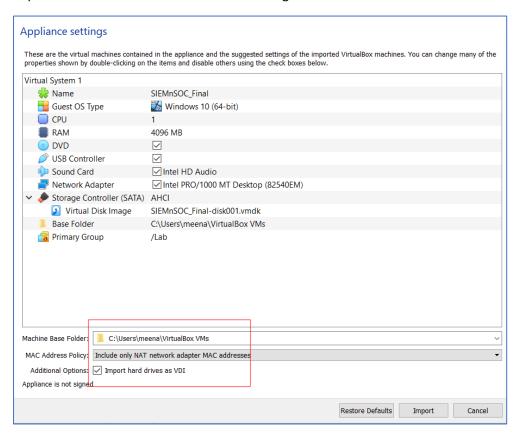
The process of understanding the behavious and purpose of a suspicious file or URL.

It amis to find, how did the machine become affected and what the malware does, so that the effect of malware can be mitigated

Part 1:

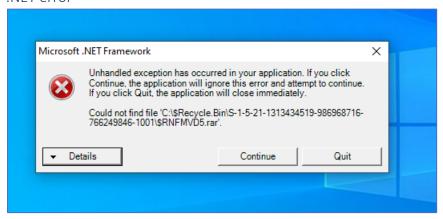
Lab Setup:

Import the task ova into the virtual box manager.

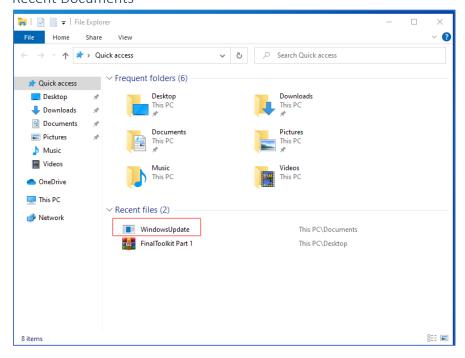


Observations on bootup:

.NET error



Recent Documents

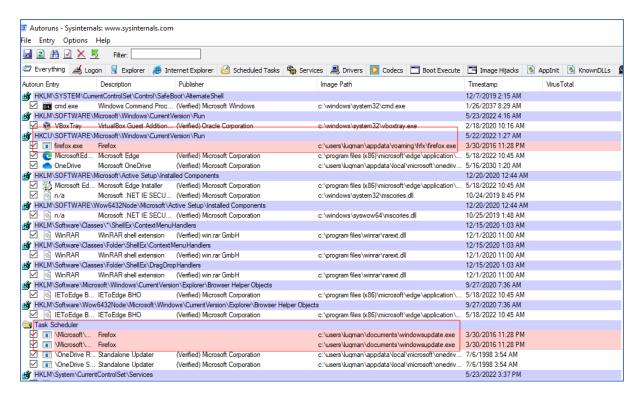


A Virus PopUP!!!:

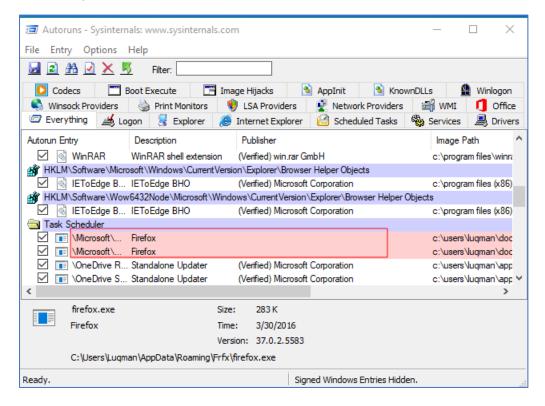


Analysing using Autorun:

Autorun is a Sysinternals Tool from Microsoft that enumerates all programs that automatically start on a windows machine. These programs can be examined to find more details. We find couple of programs whose publisher is not verified, firefox.exe and Windowsupdate.exe

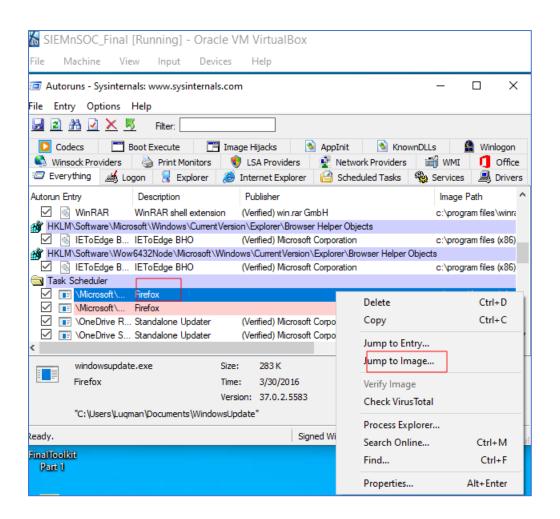


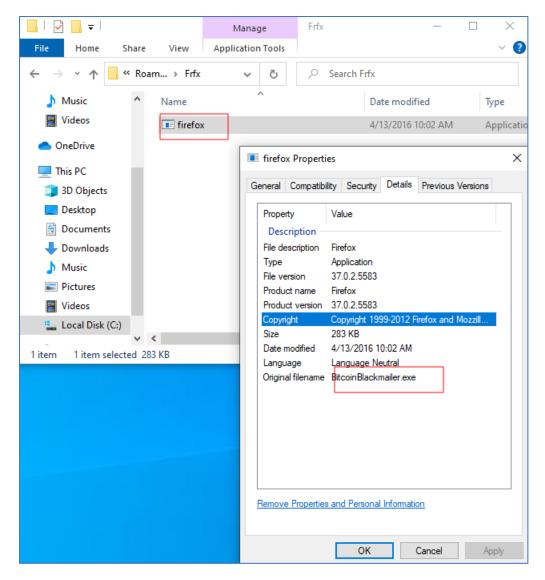
Two process named firefox were found to be running with image path referring to Windowsupdate.exe



Jump to Image:

Choose the entry with firefox. Right Click and choose "Jump to Image"





It takes us to the application "firefox" whose original file name is BitCoinBlackmailer.exe

Identifying the File

The Windowsupdate.exe is analysed with strings tool. The output is captured in the strings.txt



Strings:

```
strings - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
4.0.0.0
KMicrosoft.VisualStudio.Editors.SettingsDesigner.SettingsSingleFileGenerator
14.0.0.0
VS_VERSION_INFO
VarFileInfo
Translation
StringFileInfo
000004b0
Comments
CompanyName
FileDescription
Firefox
FileVersion
37.0.2.5583
InternalName
BitcoinBlackmailer.exe
```

The information on extension of .fun

```
You have 24 hours to pay 150
Every hour files will be dele
After 72 hours all that are I
If you do not have bitcoins (
Purchase 150 American Dollars
end to the Bitcoins address
Within two minutes of receiving for anything funny and the co
As soon as the payment is red
Thank you
Please, send $
worth of Bitcoin here:
                                            TXCTESC.CXC
                                           I am a txt test.
                                           NotTxtTest.nottxt
 ormBackground
                                           I am NOT a txt test.
orm1
fun
ES
                                           C:\Windows
                                           OoIsAwwF23cICQoLDA00De==
dataGridViewEncryptedFiles
Deleted
ColumnDeleted
                                           EncryptedFileList.txt
                                           SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run
Path
ColumnPath
ormEncryptedFiles
encryptedFiles
                                            {0}.{1}
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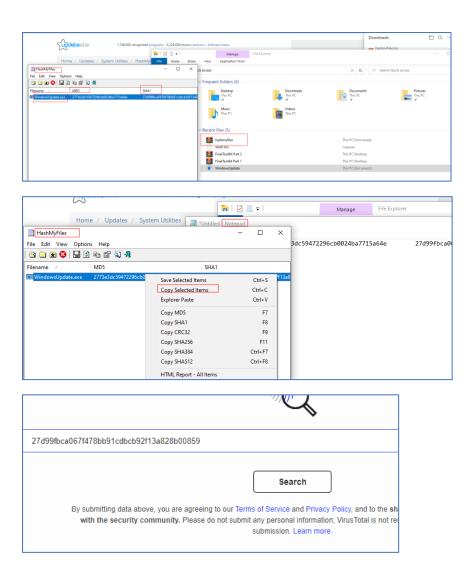
Looks like some files are really encrypted

```
SetStartup
      startupMethod
      SetStartupFolder
      SetStartupRegistry
\Deski exePath
\Desk RemoveStartupRegistry
\Desk SetWindowPos
odate. user32.dll
Sear hWndInsertAfter
999-20 uFlags
www.sy MakeTopMost
      RegistryKey
      Microsoft.Win32
ı∖Deski StartupMethodType
      StartupFolder
      Registry
      <PrivateImplementationDetails>
      FBD2112E56A53790B3D53B084795822F604F11FC
      __StaticArrayInitTypeSize=16
      AssemblyLoader
     Costura
   uB[MhiyT
   9>1CX$
                                       Assembly
   #0`7iZ&
                                       System.Reflection
ski@dWv8r
                                       .cctor
sk |DxPlIt
                                   esk ResolveEventArgs
   _CorExeMain
                                   esk System
   mscoree.dll
                                      VirtualProtect
   v2.0.50727
                                      kernel32.dll
   #Strings
                                      ValueType
   BitcoinBlackmailer.exe
                                      Object
   <Module>
                                      Stream
   mscorlib
                                       Svstem.IO
```

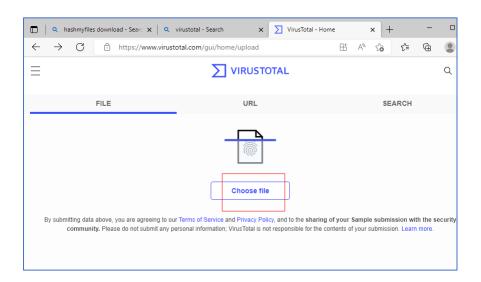
HashMyFiles:

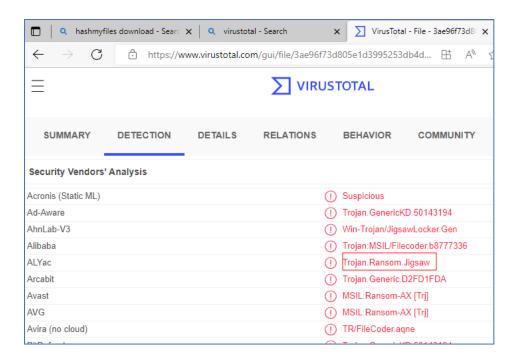
Searching using the hash of the file , Input the hash to the virustotal and checked it is the ransomware jigsaw



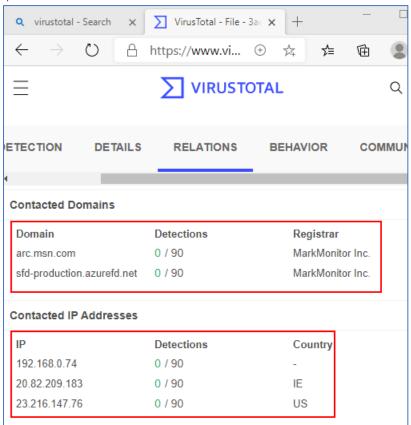


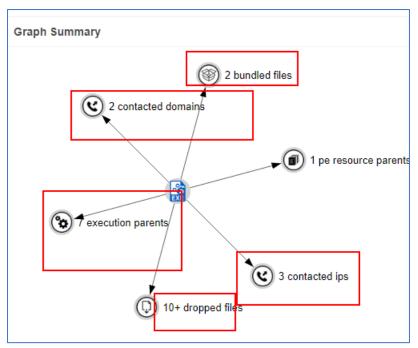
Check the file in Virustotal:

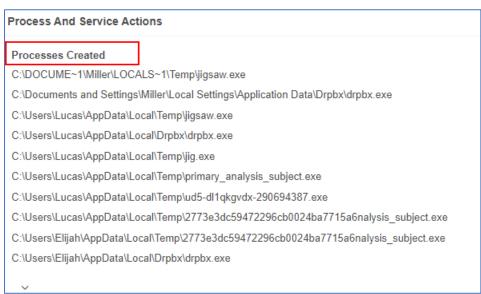




IpAddress and Domain of the virus:

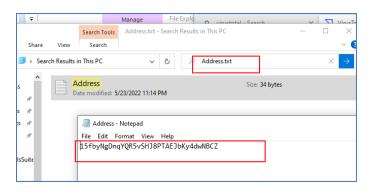


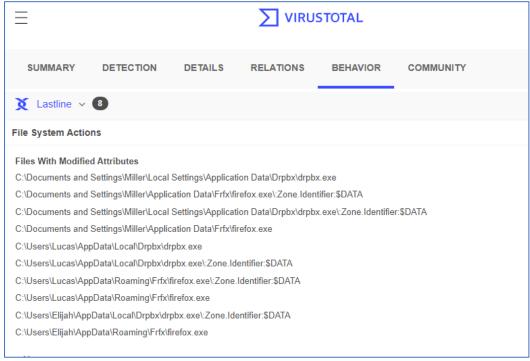




Further Analysis using Virustotal:

Address.txt string found in the output of strings tool on the virus program seems encrypted





Registry Actions

- Registry Keys Set

 HKU\S-1-5-21-1229272821-1563985344-1801674531-1003\SOFTWARE\MICROSOFT\WINDOWS\CURRENTVERSION\INTERNET SETTINGS\ZONEMAP
 - HKU\S-1-5-21-1229272821-1563985344-1801674531-1003\SOFTWARE\MICROSOFT\WINDOWS\CURRENTVERSION\EXPLORER\SHELL FOLDERS
- HKU\S-1-5-21-1229272821-1563985344-1801674531-1003\SOFTWARE\MICROSOFT\WINDOWS\CURRENTVERSION\EXPLORER\SHELL FOLDERS
- HKU\S-1-5-21-1229272821-1563985344-1801674531-1003\SOFTWARE\MICROSOFT\WINDOWS\CURRENTVERSION\INTERNET
- HKU\S-1-5-21-1229272821-1563985344-1801674531-1003\SOFTWARE\MICROSOFT\WINDOWS\CURRENTVERSION\EXPLORER\SHELL FOLDERS
- HKU\S-1-5-21-1229272821-1563985344-1801674531-1003\SOFTWARE\MICROSOFT\WINDOWS\CURRENTVERSION\INTERNET SETTINGS\ZONEMAP
- HKU\S-1-5-21-1229272821-1563985344-1801674531-
- 1003\SOFTWARE\MICROSOFT\WINDOWS\CURRENTVERSION\EXPLORER\MOUNTPOINTS2\(\)4D7134C0-AF74-11E5-A617-806D6172696F HKU\S-1-5-21-1229272821-1563985344-1801674531-
- 1003\SOFTWARE\MICROSOFT\WINDOWS\CURRENTVERSION\EXPLORER\MOUNTPOINTS2\\A7A58122-718B-11E3-95AC-806D6172696F
- HKU\S-1-5-21-1229272821-1563985344-1801674531-1003\SOFTWARE\MICROSOFT\WINDOWS\SHELLNOROAM\MUICACHE
- HKU\S-1-5-21-1229272821-1563985344-1801674531-1003\SOFTWARE\MICROSOFT\WINDOWS\CURRENTVERSION\EXPLORER\SHELL

Process And Service Actions

Processes Created

- C:\DOCUME~1\Miller\LOCALS~1\Temp\jigsaw.exe
- C:\Documents and Settings\Miller\Local Settings\Application Data\Drpbx\drpbx.exe
- C:\Users\Lucas\AppData\Local\Temp\jigsaw.exe
- C:\Users\Lucas\AppData\Local\Drpbx\drpbx.exe
- C:\Users\Lucas\AppData\Local\Temp\jig.exe
- C:\Users\Lucas\AppData\Local\Temp\primary_analysis_subject.exe
- C:\Users\Lucas\AppData\Local\Temp\ud5-dl1qkgvdx-290694387.exe
- C:\Users\Lucas\AppData\Local\Temp\2773e3dc59472296cb0024ba7715a6nalysis_subject.exe
- C:\Users\Elijah\AppData\Local\Temp\2773e3dc59472296cb0024ba7715a6nalysis subject.exe
- C:\Users\Elijah\AppData\Local\Drpbx\drpbx.exe

Shell Commands

- C:\DOCUME~1\Miller\LOCALS~1\Temp\jigsaw.exe
- "C:\Documents and Settings\Miller\Local Settings\Application Data\Drpbx\drpbx.exe" C:\DOCUME~1\Miller\LOCALS~1\Temp\jigsaw.exe
- C:\Users\Lucas\AppData\Local\Temp\jigsaw.exe
- C:\Users\Lucas\AppData\Local\Drpbx\drpbx.exe C:\Users\Lucas\AppData\Local\Temp\jigsaw.exe
- C:\Users\Lucas\AppData\Local\Temp\jig.exe
- $C: \label{local-prob} $$C: \Users \Lucas \App Data \Local \Drpbx \end{\columnw} $$exe \ C: \Users \Lucas \App Data \Local \Temp \ ig. exe \Local \App \Barrier \Bar$
- C:\Users\Lucas\AppData\Local\Temp\primary_analysis_subject.exe
- C:\Users\Lucas\AppData\Local\Drpbx\drpbx.exe C:\Users\Lucas\AppData\Local\Temp\primary_analysis_subject.exe
- C:\Users\Lucas\AppData\Local\Temp\ud5-dl1qkgvdx-290694387.exe
- $C: \label{local-$

Processes Tree

 $\stackrel{\textstyle L}{\longrightarrow} 268 - \text{C:}\\ \text{DOCUME}\\ \sim 1\\ \text{Miller}\\ \text{LOCALS}\\ \sim 1\\ \text{Temp}\\ \text{jigsaw.exe}$

 $\begin{tabular}{l} \hookrightarrow 452 - C:\Documents and Settings\Miller\Local Settings\Application Data\Drpbx\drpbx.exe \\ \end{tabular}$

Synchronization Mechanisms & Signals

Mutexes Created

CTF.Compart.MutexDefaultS-1-5-21-1229272821-1563985344-1801674531-1003

CTF.TMD.MutexDefaultS-1-5-21-1229272821-1563985344-1801674531-1003

Local\ZonesCounterMutex

Local\ZonesLockedCacheCounterMutex

CTF.Layouts.MutexDefaultS-1-5-21-1229272821-1563985344-1801674531-1003

CTF.Asm.MutexDefaultS-1-5-21-1229272821-1563985344-1801674531-1003

Local\ZoneAttributeCacheCounterMutex

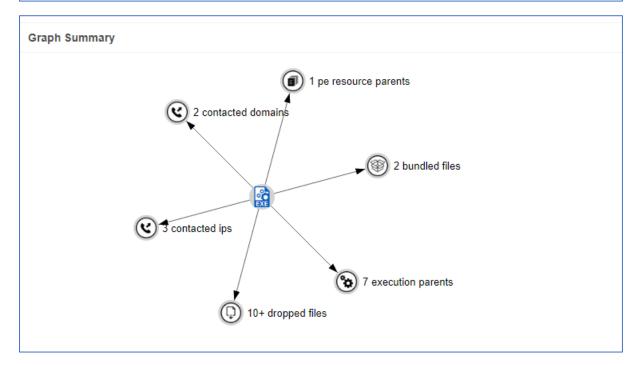
CTF.TimListCache.FMPDefaultS-1-5-21-1229272821-1563985344-1801674531-1003MUTEX.Defa 1003

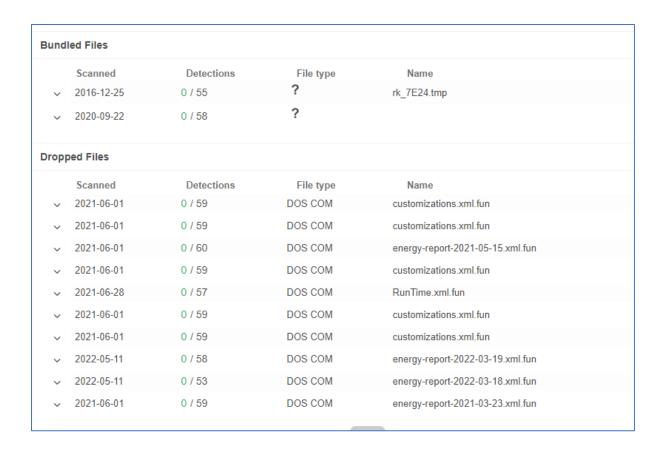
Local\ZonesCacheCounterMutex

CTF.LBES.MutexDefaultS-1-5-21-1229272821-1563985344-1801674531-1003

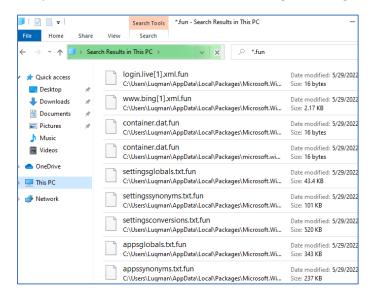
=		VIRUSTOTAL			
SUMMARY	DETECTION	DETAILS	RELATIONS	BEHAVIOR	COMMUNITY
Contacted Domai					
Domain	I	etections (C	reated	Registrar
arc.msn.com	(/ 90	19	994-11-10	MarkMonitor Inc.
sfd-production.azu	refd.net () / 90	20	018-05-08	MarkMonitor Inc.

Execution Parents			0
Scanned	Detections	Туре	Name
2021-12-14	44 / 68	Win32 EXE	virussign.com_a76fec8271a1013b00 59f138599c7220.vir
2021-04-07	42 / 68	Win32 EXE	jigsaw
2020-05-27	64 / 72	Win32 EXE	181cd8e49e6ff6d4d17c72bbe97655 df7b9e88d0e840ee75814e4b782282 14ae
2021-03-13	48 / 68	Win32 EXE	Output2.exe
2021-04-13	30 / 69	Win32 EXE	jigsaw
2022-05-22	<mark>61</mark> / 68	Win32 EXE	windowsupdate.exe
2018-05-10	60 / 66	Win32 EXE	fb9f55dd90911882ac6e0f4b2804668 2b61c1c6396f6a6d99de0ff275e9973 fe

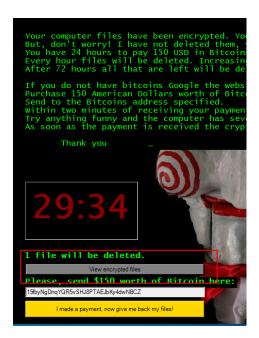




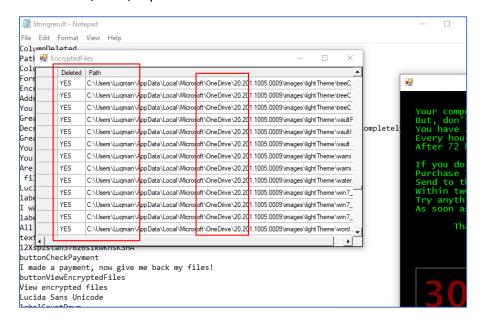
It is noticed that the txt files turned to txt.fun Probably the virus is infecting the files. Searching the computer for the files with extension ".fun" gives a long list of infected files



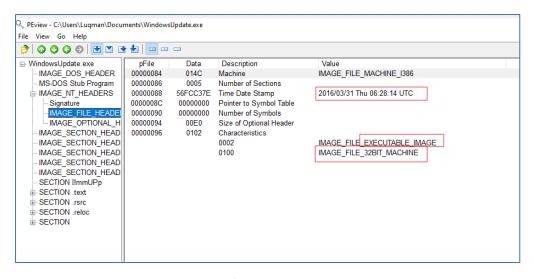
It was also noticed the files start missing... like the dog.jpg was removed A part of the virus activity.



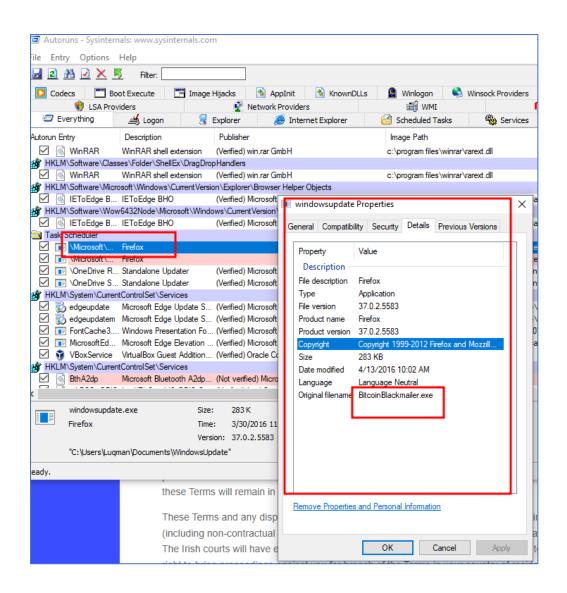
Clicking on the "View encrypted files" shows the file / directory location affected Looks like C:/users/luqman is infected

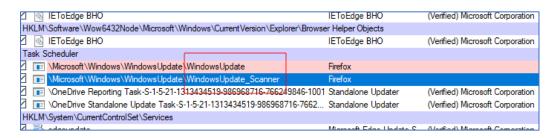


PEView

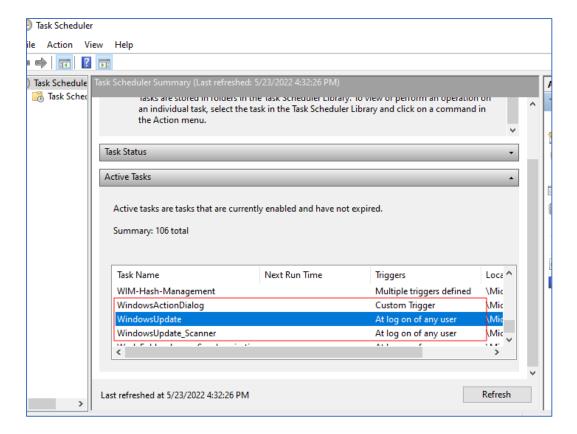


The Characteristics and timestamp of creation are seen





The Task Scheduler shows that the virus exe is run on the logon of the user

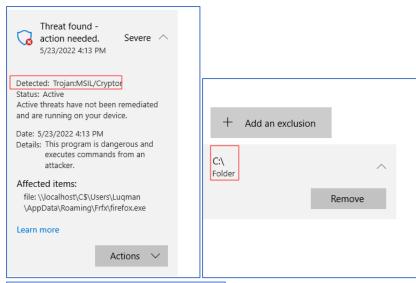


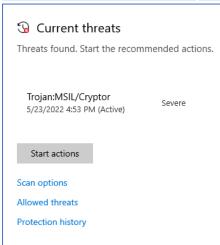
Removal of Threat!

Microsoft Defender is an enterprise endpoint security platform designed to help prevent, detect(offers real-time threat detection), investigate and respond to advanced threat

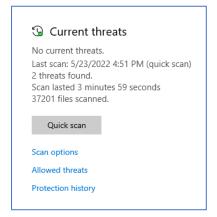
Windows Security continually scans for malware, viruses and security threats. Updates are automatically downloaded to help keep the device safe and protect it from threats.

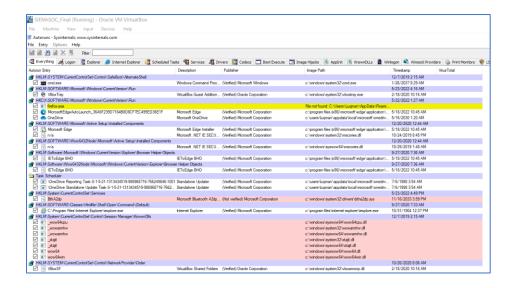
For a best solution, the windows defender can be combined with any good antivirus software like Norton.





After removal of virus:





Key Findings

WindowsUpdate.exe and firefox.exe are the malicious process

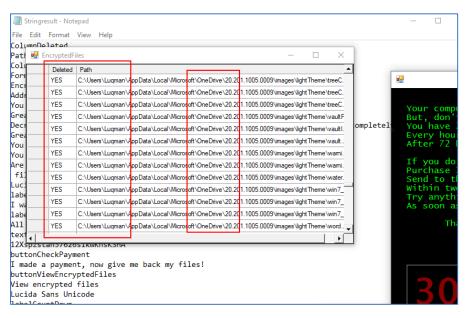
These process are listed in Autoruns tools as running without a verified publisher.

Analysed these EXE files using strings.exe in the SysInternalsSuite Tool. The generated output has the exact same wordings and various reference to the popup message shown by the jigsaw Virus.

It has reference to the list of encrypted files and the url to which the victim has to send his money

for recovery of this files. The proof for sudden appearance of the files with .fun has also been cited in the output of strings file

The users home directory C:/users/luqman and files in it is infected



Malicious process and Welcome screen is same, because the same message displayed by the virus is seen in the strings output of the EXE

URL: http://btc.blockr.io/api/v1/coin/info

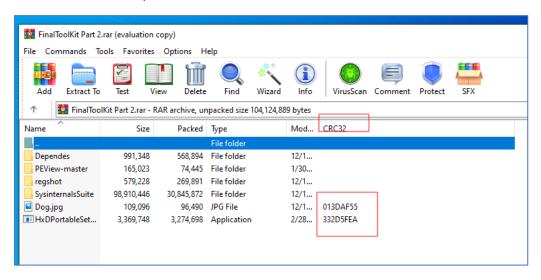
```
http://btc.blockr.io/api/v1/
coin/info/
status
markets
coinbase
address/balance/
balance
\DeleteItself.bat
del "{0}"
```

Part 2:

Identify the malicious File

The recent files were searched.

The rar on the Desktop was extracted



The Dog.jpg was located

Strings Tool

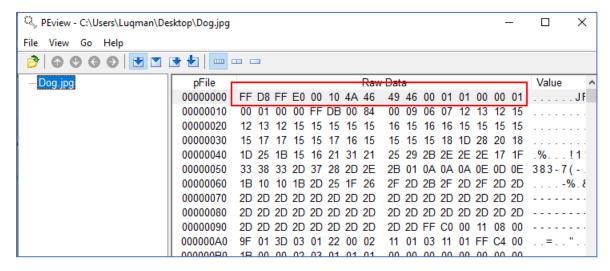
Strings tool was used to analyse it. The out of strings is redirected to a file str.txt

```
C:\Users\Luqman\Desktop\FinalToolkit Part 1\FinalToolkit Part 1\SysinternalsSuite> strings.exe C:\Users\Luqman\Desktop\Dog.jpg > str.txt
Strings v2.53 - Search for ANSI and Unicode strings in binary images.
Copyright (C) 1999-2016 Mark Russinovich
Sysinternals - www.sysinternals.com
C:\Users\Luqman\Desktop\FinalToolkit Part 1\FinalToolkit Part 1\SysinternalsSuite>
```

A magic number is a number embedded at or near the beginning of a file that indicates its file format (i.e., the type of file it is). It is also sometimes referred to as a file signature.

PEView

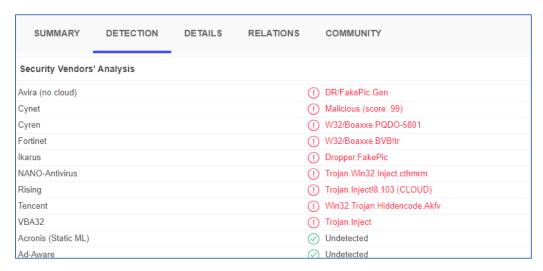
Using PEView to check the file signature of "Dog.jpg"

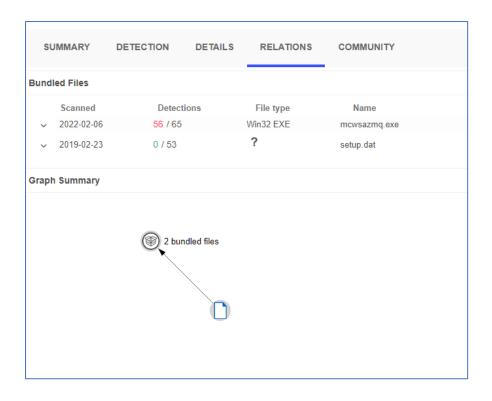


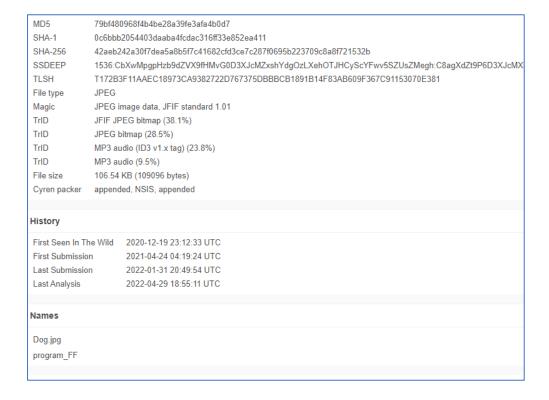
The magic bytes differ indicating the file could be malicious

Analyzing in virus total:

The file was checked in virustotal detects the dog.jpg to be malicious







Some DLLs in Dog.jpg:

From the Strings.exe output, some dlls were found to be used

A jpg file does not have need of a Kernel32.dll, SHELL32.dll , USER32.dll. All these dlls make the jpg file suspicious

