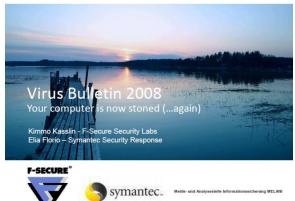
The Rise of MBR Rootkits And Bootkits in the Wild







Vbootkit Mebroot

Stoned Bootkit

Black Hat déjà vu - Stoned again

Peter Kleissner

Agenda

- History
- Windows Product Activation
- Development, Installation & Usage
- Stoned Bootkit
- Future

Who the hack am I?

Independent Operating System Developer

Hometown Vienna (Austria)

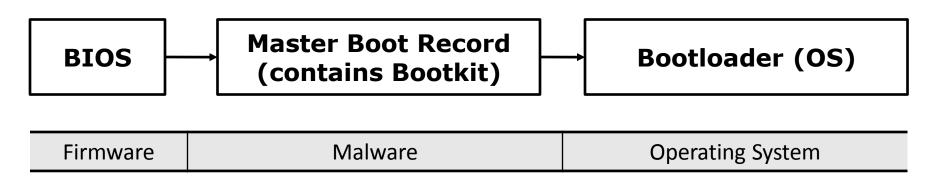
Startup "Insecurity Systems" (InSec)

About Bootkits

A Bootkit is a Rootkit in the Master Boot Record Introduced by Vipin and Nitin Kumar

"A bootkit is a rootkit that is able to load from a master boot record and persist in memory all the way through the transition to protected mode and the startup of the OS. It's a very interesting type of rootkit."

Robert Hensing about bootkits



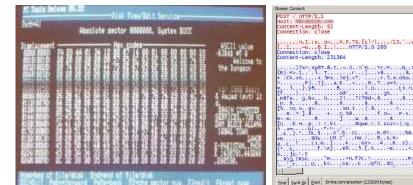
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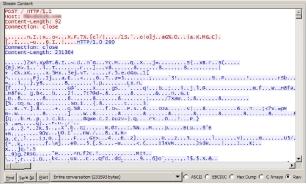
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			BOOT KIT		Tophet	
			TPMkit		Kon-Boot	
Stoned		BootRoot	Vbootkit		Vbootkit 2.0	
1987		2005	2007		2009	

BootRoot	Windows XP	Black Hat USA 2005
Vbootkit	Windows Vista	Black Hat Europe 2007
Tophet		XCon 2008
Vbootkit 2.0	Windows 7 (x64)	Hack In The Box Dubai 2009
Stoned Bootkit	All Windows Systems	Black Hat USA 2009

Typical Usage

Stoned Keeping the user happy with text and sound messages :)







Mebroot Stealing your banking data

Vista Loader Spoofing OEM BIOS for Windows Product Activation

Kon-Boot Bypassing Windows Logon

Stoned Bootkit For forensics and law enforcement agencies & Black Hats

Vbootkit 1+2 Proof of concept

Windows Product Activation



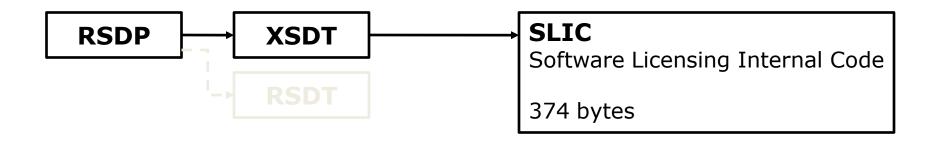
For Windows Vista and 7

Microsoft has a secret arrangement with OEM hardware manufacturers to include a secret additional ACPI table to identify the system as OEM

Acer, ASUS, Dell, Fujitsu Siemens, Gateway, HP, Lenovo, Medion, NEC, Sony, Sotec, Toshiba, MSI, Intel, and others

OEM BIOS - SLIC Table

The SLIC (Software Licensing Internal Code) table identifies the system as OEM.



These are some simple ACPI structures:

RSDP	Root System Description Pointer	40h:0Eh
XSDT	Extended System Description Table	RSDP + 24
SLIC	Software Licensing Internal Code	found ©

The BIOS (= firmware) sets up these tables. So your bootkit can too!

SLIC Table

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          4D 30 37 20 20 20 20 00 12 0C D6 27 41 53 4C 20
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Certificate

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Install it: cscript %windir%\system32\slmgr.vbs -ilc Dell.xrm-ms

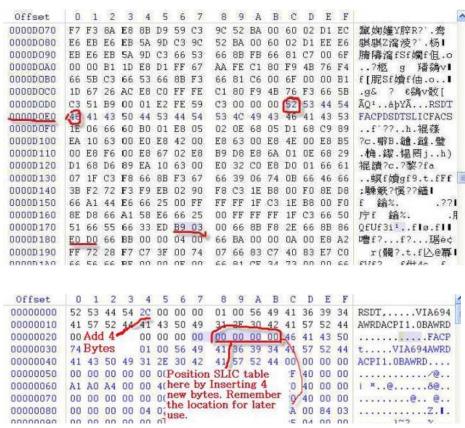
SLP OEM Key

Install System-Locked Preinstallation master product key:

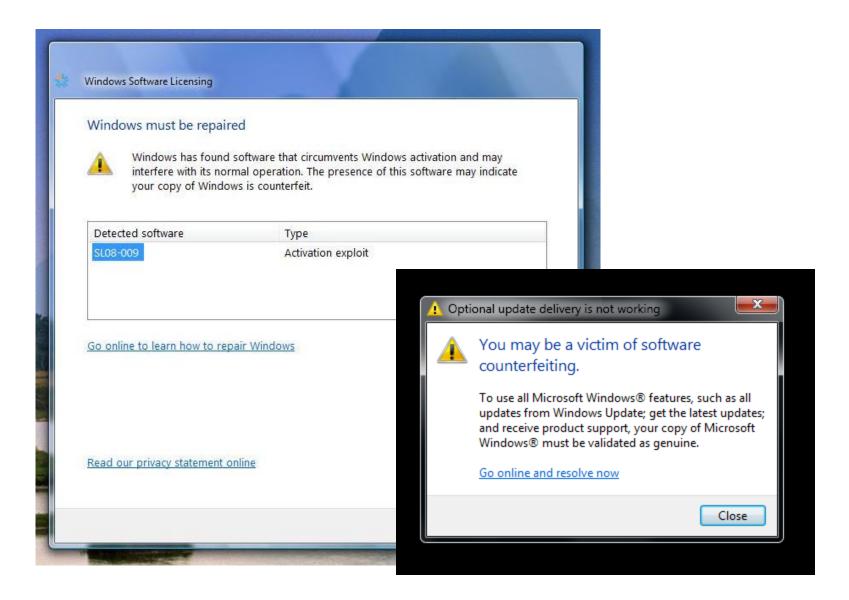
slmgr -ipk 223PV-8KCX6-F9KJX-3W2R7-BB2FH

The dynamic injection vs. the persistent way





Microsoft against activation exploits



Installation

1. Physical Access

Live CD, writing it raw to the hard disk, ...

2. Administrator Rights (Infector in Windows)

Elevate the rights at runtime using ShellExecute() or via a manifest

Use some exploit

Elevated Administrator Rights

Application Manifest (embedded into executable)

ShellExecute() at runtime

```
HINSTANCE ShellExecute(
    HWND hwnd,
    LPCTSTR lpOperation = "runas",
    (...)
);

Create a small loader that tries ShellExecute() until the user clicks
"Yes" on Consent UI
```

Environment

Real Mode (old school)

```
cs:ip = 0000h:7C00h
16 bit!
```

Directly loaded by the BIOS Must be programmed in assembly language low-level

```
Plex86/Bochs UGABios 0.5d 29 Dec 2005
This UGA/UBE Bios is released under the GNU LGPL

Please visit:
. http://bochs.sourceforge.net
. http://www.nongnu.org/vgabios

Bochs UBE Display Adapter enabled

Bochs BIOS - build: 01/25/06
$Revision: 1.160 $ $Date: 2006/01/25 17:51:49 $
Options: apmbios pcibios eltorito

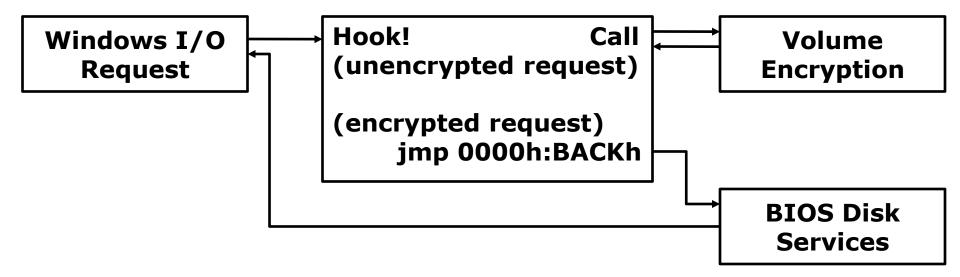
ata0 master: Generic 1234 ATA-6 Hard-Disk (29 MBytes)
ata0 slave: Unknown device

Booting from Hard Disk...
Your PC is now Stoned! ..again
```

The bootkit must be able to be memory persistent.

It is OS independent but attacks specific operating systems.

Bypassing Full Volume Encryption



A double forward for intercepting the encrypted and decrypted disk I/O. Does not modify the decryption software (it is independent)!

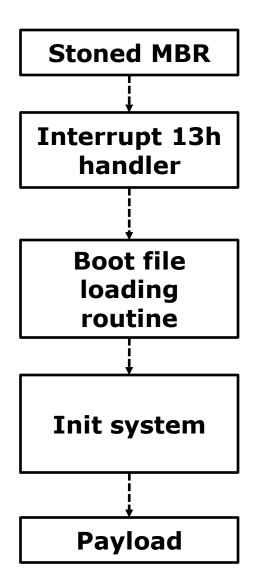
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TrueCrypt Boot Loader 6.2 Copyright (C) 2008-2009 TrueCrypt Foundation

Keyboard Controls:
[Escl Skip Authentication (Boot Manager)

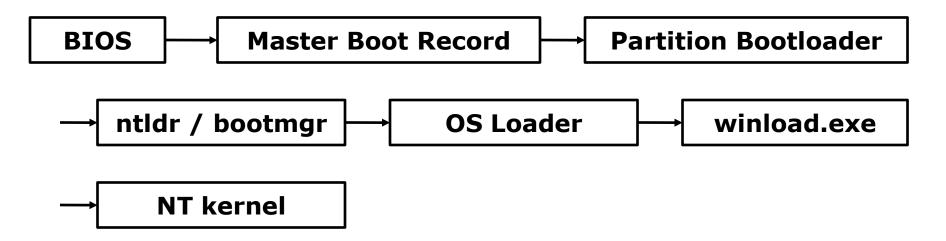
Enter password: _
```

Owning Operating Systems from the boot

Bootkit Real Mode	Relocates the code to the end of memory (4 KB), hooks interrupt 13h and patches code integrity verification
Bootkit Protected Mode	Patches image verification and hooks NT kernel
Kernel Code	NT kernel base address and PsLoadedModuleList are used for resolving own imports
Driver Code	Loads, relocates, resolves, executes all drivers in the list
PE Loader	PE-image relocation & resolving
Subsystem	Core functions for the Stoned Subsystem installed in Windows
Payload	Kernel drivers Applications using the subsystem



Windows Boot Process

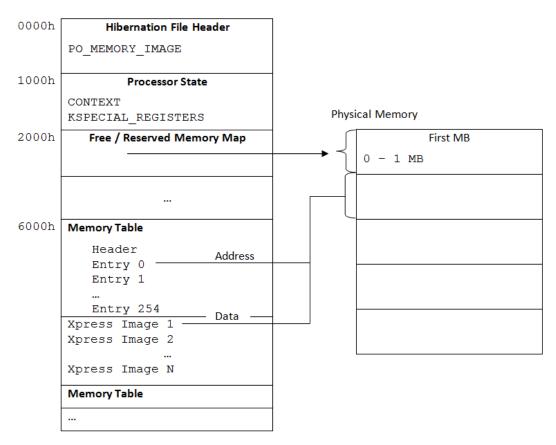


Ntldr = 16-bit stub + OS Loader (just binary appended)
Windows Vista splits up ntldr into bootmgr, winload.exe and winresume.exe

Windows XP	Windows Vista	Processor Environment
ntldr	bootmgr	Real Mode
OS Loader	OS Loader	Protected Mode
-	winload.exe	Protected Mode
NT kernel	NT kernel	Protected Mode + Paging

Not only "on-the-fly" attacks

For example Hibernation File Attack



Owning the system **before** it has started

Signatures – The magic behind

Signatures against operating system files ensure that

- The bootkit stays undetected
- 2. The bootkit gets executed

They are all assembly code instructions.

Bypass NT Loader code integrity verification

```
+ 83 C4 02 E9 00 00 E9 FD FF
Windows XP in NTLDR at +1C81h
```

```
00021c6e: call .+0x0c1e/+0x0c39 ; e8390c -> nop, nop, nop
00021c71: add sp, 0x0002 ; 83c402 -> add sp, 0x0002
00021c74: jmp .+0x0000 ; e90000 -> jmp .+0x0000
00021c77: jmp .+0xfffd ; e9fdff -> jmp .+0x0000
```

Solutions to close out bootkits

Use the Trusted Platform Module in connection with full volume encryption

Full volume encryption software should:

- 1. Secure its own software
- 2. Disable MBR overwrite in Windows
- 3. Make MBR genuine verifications

Consider the attacking vector, do not excuse with policies ("physical security")

Bootkits for law enforcement agencies

Might become interesting for LAEs:

- Install a trojan even if the hard disk is fully encrypted
- "Undetectable", bootkit starts first and can hide itself
- Owns the whole system (full access)
- Physical access required

Stoned.. Again!

Attacks:

Windows 2000

Windows XP

Windows Server 2003

Windows Vista

Windows Server 2008

Windows 7

TrueCrypt

DiskCryptor

Main targets:

- Pwning all Windows systems from the boot
- Being able to bypass code integrity verifications & signed code checks
- Creating the most sophisticated bootkit

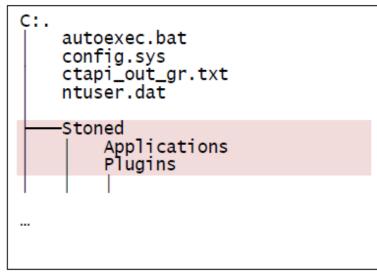
Much more features in the future!

Your PC is now Stoned! (1987)
Your PC is now Stoned! ..again (2010)

Architecture of Stoned

Address	Size	Description
0000	440	Code Area
01B8	6	Microsoft Disk Signature
01BE	4*16	IBM Partition Table
01FE	2	Signature, 0AA55h
0200	-	Stoned Kernel Modules
-	-	Stoned Plugins
7 A 00	512	Backup of Original Bootloader
7C00	512	Configuration Area





Master Boot Record

File System

- Modularized Master Boot Record
- Boot Applications
- Plugins
- Proof of concept payload (cmd.exe privilege escalation)

Time for a live demonstration!

With Stoned v2 Infector (Live CD)

```
Administrator: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
Microsoft Windows [Version 6.0.6001]
Copyright (c) 2006 Microsoft Corporation. Allo
C:\Users\Peter Kleissner>whoami
seattle\peter kleissner
```

Based on Windows PE Infects any drive

Example Plugin: CO₂ Plugin

Save The Environment!

- Throttling CPU speed down to 80%
- Normal user should not take any notice but our earth does :)
- Using the Advanced Configuration Programming Interface

Using open source "Throttle source code"

```
bx. ax
mov
                                         : save input
        dx, [ioBase]
mov
                                         : get register and data
call
        aetACPITHTRea
push
        ax
                                         : for throttle
        ah. ah
add
        dx. ax
                                         ; throw away data
pop
        ax
                                         ; read current value
in
        al, dx
        al, NOT THROTTLE_MASK
                                         : clear 3:0
and
not
        ah
        al, ah
and
        ah
not
                                         ; disable all throttle
out
        dx, al
        b1, 0
                                         : user wants none? quit
cmp
        exit
jz
        al, bl
                                         ; new throttle
or
        al, ah
                                         ; new enable
or
        dx. al
```

Not only malicious purposes

Using Stoned Bootkit to execute Sinowal and extract the unpacked kernel driver

- Tracing the memory by hooking the exports for ExAllocatePool() and ExFreePool() using the installed Stoned Subsystem
- 2. Writing it out to disk for further analysis

```
0007f720h: 50 4C 55 47 00 00 00 49 4E 46 4F 00 00 00 00; PLUG....INFO....
0007f730h: 42 49 50 00 2F 00 00 00 4E 4F 4F 50 00 00 00 00; BIP./...NOOP....
0007f740h: 55 4E 53 54 00 00 00 49 4E 53 54 00 00 00 00; UNST....INST....
0007f750h: 44 65 63 00 4E 6F 76 00 4F 63 74 00 53 65 70 00; Dec.Nov.Oct.Sep.
0007f760h: 41 75 67 00 4A 75 6C 00 4A 75 6E 00 4D 61 79 00; Aug.Jul.Jun.May.
0007f770h: 41 70 72 00 4D 61 72 00 46 65 62 00 4A 61 6E 00; Apr.Mar.Feb.Jan.
0007f780h: 53 61 74 00 46 72 69 00 54 68 75 00 57 65 64 00; Sat.Fri.Thu.Wed.
0007f790h: 54 75 65 00 4D 6F 6E 00 53 75 6E 00 0D 0A 00 00; Tue.Mon.Sun....
0007f7a0h: 0D 0A 25 73 3A 20 00 00 25 78 00 00 63 68 75 6E; ..%s:..%x..chun
```

(Unpacked Sinowal kernel driver, here you see commands & domain name generation strings)

Future Outlook

Totally operating system independency

- Linux support
- Support for 64-bit Windows systems

Defeating Trusted Platform Module (for my next presentation)

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Thanks for your attention!

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Questions?

Comments?

And have a good night =),
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