

# INCIDENT REPORT OF MALWARE ATTACK FROM pcap (2025-01-22-traffic-analysis-exercise-pcap.zip) on malware-traffic-analysis.net

## BACKGROUND

You work as an analyst at a Security Operation Center (SOC). Someone contacts your team to report a coworker has downloaded a suspicious file after searching for Google Authenticator. The caller provides some information similar to social media posts at:

- [https://www.linkedin.com/posts/unit42\\_2025-01-22-wednesday-a-malicious-ad-led-activity-7288213662329192450-ky3V/](https://www.linkedin.com/posts/unit42_2025-01-22-wednesday-a-malicious-ad-led-activity-7288213662329192450-ky3V/)
- [https://x.com/Unit42\\_intel/status/1882448037030584611](https://x.com/Unit42_intel/status/1882448037030584611)

Based on the caller's initial information, you confirm there was an infection. You retrieve a packet capture (pcap) of the associated traffic. Reviewing the traffic, you find several indicators matching details from a Github page referenced in the above social media posts. After confirming an infection happened, you begin writing an incident report.

## LAN SEGMENT DETAILS FROM THE PCAP

- LAN segment range: 10.1.17[.]0/24 (10.1.17[.]0 through 10.1.17[.]255)
- Domain: **bluemoontuesday[.]com**
- Active Directory (AD) domain controller: 10.1.17[.]2 - WIN-GSH54QLW48D
- AD environment name: **BLUEMOONTUESDAY**
- LAN segment gateway: 10.1.17[.]1
- LAN segment broadcast address: 10.1.17[.]255

## TASK

For this exercise, answer the following questions for your incident report:

- What is the IP address of the infected Windows client?
- What is the mac address of the infected Windows client?
- What is the host name of the infected Windows client?
- What is the user account name from the infected Windows client?
- What is the likely domain name for the fake Google Authenticator page?
- What are the IP addresses used for C2 servers for this infection?

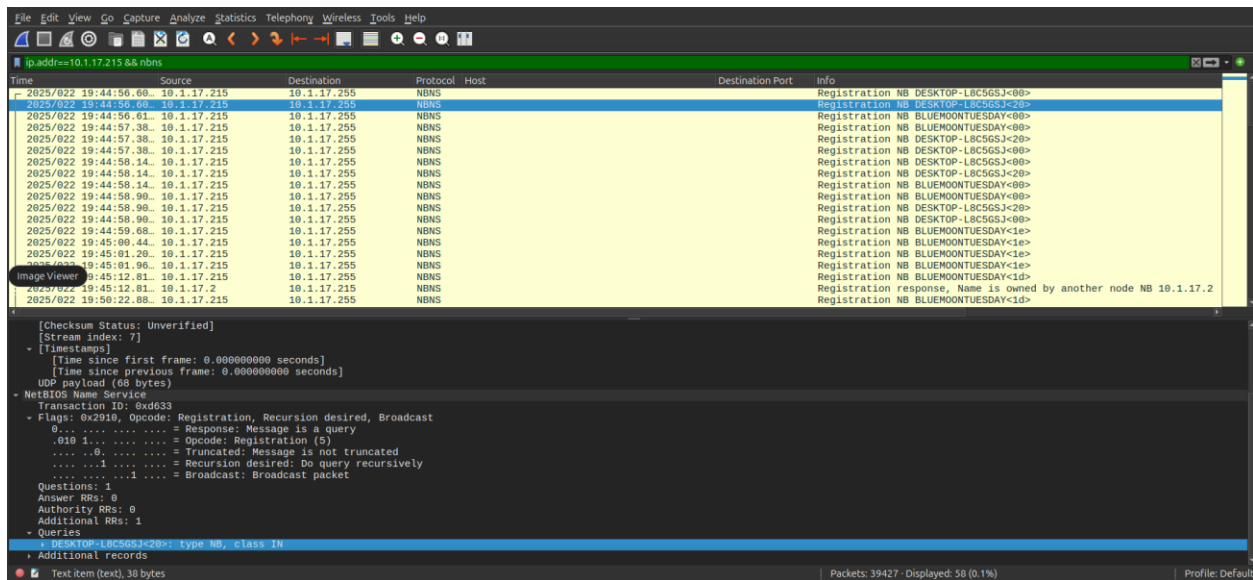
Ip address of the desktop, desktop name and malicious site likely to be visited:

10[.]1[.]17[.]215, DESKTOP-L8C5GSJ

Malicious site visited: authenticatoor[.]org

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04-traffic-analysis-exercise.pcap.zip THW-AUXVIZJZ/H.pdf WindowsForensicsCheatsheet-TryHackMe-1642692762578.pdf
-22-traffic-analysis-exercise.pcap 'VPN-logs-1663593355154(1).json'
hjl@waltermunji:~/Downloads$ tshark -r 2025-01-22-traffic-analysis-exercise.pcap -Y "dns" -T fields -e ip.src -e dns.qry.name |sort |uniq
ark:4185) 09:28:54.187798 [Epan WARNING] -- Dissector bug, protocol CLDAP, in packet 14: ./epan/dissectors/packet-ldap.c:2180: failed assertion "recursion_depth <= 100"
ark:4185) 09:28:54.188299 [Epan WARNING] -- Dissector bug, protocol CLDAP, in packet 27: ./epan/dissectors/packet-ldap.c:2180: failed assertion "recursion_depth <= 100"
ark:4185) 09:28:54.189388 [Epan WARNING] -- Dissector bug, protocol CLDAP, in packet 58: ./epan/dissectors/packet-ldap.c:2180: failed assertion "recursion_depth <= 100"
ark:4185) 09:28:54.189448 [Epan WARNING] -- Dissector bug, protocol CLDAP, in packet 59: ./epan/dissectors/packet-ldap.c:2180: failed assertion "recursion_depth <= 100"
ark:4185) 09:28:54.217229 [Epan WARNING] -- Dissector bug, protocol CLDAP, in packet 277: ./epan/dissectors/packet-ldap.c:2180: failed assertion "recursion_depth <= 100"
ark:4185) 09:28:54.652346 [Epan WARNING] -- Dissector bug, protocol CLDAP, in packet 7610: ./epan/dissectors/packet-ldap.c:2180: failed assertion "recursion_depth <= 100"

10.1.17.215 appointedtimeagriculture.com
10.1.17.215 array803.prod.do.dsp.mp.microsoft.com
10.1.17.215 array804.prod.do.dsp.mp.microsoft.com
10.1.17.215 array805.prod.do.dsp.mp.microsoft.com
10.1.17.215 array807.prod.do.dsp.mp.microsoft.com
10.1.17.215 array816.prod.do.dsp.mp.microsoft.com
10.1.17.215 assets.adobedtm.com
10.1.17.215 assets.nsn.com
10.1.17.215 au.download.windowsupdate.com
10.1.17.215 authenticatoor.org
10.1.17.215 azure.microsoft.com
10.1.17.215 bat.bing.com
10.1.17.215 bluemoontuesday.com
10.1.17.215 browser.events.data.microsoft.com
10.1.17.215 browser.events.data.msn.com
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Suspicious communications (C2) with the host:

**45[.]125[.]66[.]32** -sent many packets labeled as “application data”

**45[.]125[.]66[.]252** --sent many packets labeled as “application data” -

**82[.]221[.]136[.]26** – Ip address of the malicious website

**5[.]252[.]153[.]241** - Sent malicious PowerShell script in base64 encoding plus other portable executable files

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Wireshark · Conversations · 2025-01-22-traffic-analysis-exercise.pcap												
Conversation Settings												
Ethernet · 7   IPv4 · 144   IPv6   TCP · 421   UDP · 346												
Name resolution	Address A	Address B	Packets	Bytes →	Packets A → B	Bytes A → B	Packets B → A	Bytes B → A	Rel Start	Duration	Bits/s A → B	Bits/s B → A
<input type="checkbox"/>	10.1.17.215	45.125.66.32	10,940	10 MB	3,737	587 kB	7,203	10 MB	889.561525	1720.6308	2,729 bits/s	45 kbps
<input type="checkbox"/>	10.1.17.215	5.252.153.241	9,076	7 MB	3,475	235 kB	5,601	7 MB	60.135270	3142.2528	599 bits/s	16 kbps
<input type="checkbox"/>	10.1.17.215	82.221.136.26	2,470	2 MB	834	53 kB	1,636	2 MB	39.388705	74.4499	5,673 bits/s	249 kbps
<input type="checkbox"/>	10.1.17.215	10.1.17.2	4,359	1 MB	2,347	530 kB	2,012	532 kB	0.014846	3199.6876	1,325 bits/s	1,329 bits/s
<input type="checkbox"/>	10.1.17.215	23.55.125.176	1,018	708 kB	423	199 kB	595	509 kB	61.995061	455.4947	3,491 bits/s	8,940 bits/s
<input type="checkbox"/>	10.1.17.215	199.232.214.172	556	514 kB	188	14 kB	368	499 kB	86.675316	1111.2989	101 bits/s	3,595 bits/s
<input type="checkbox"/>	10.1.17.215	23.205.110.143	552	349 kB	261	137 kB	291	212 kB	29.369530	129.7335	8,434 bits/s	13 kbps



Malware analysis interface showing file details for `b1ce40900788ea26b9e4c3af7efab533e8d39ed1370da09b3cf72a16750ded`. The file is a PowerShell script (29842.ps1) with a size of 1.48 KB. It has been flagged as malicious by 26/61 security vendors. The file's behavior includes checking CPU name, detecting debug environment, and long sleeps.

**Community Score:** 26 / 61

**Popular threat label:** trojan:powershell/obfusc

**Threat categories:** trojan, downloader

**Family labels:** powershell, obfusc

**Security vendors' analysis:**

Vendor	Detection	Signature
Allicloud	Trojan(downloader)Win/Obfusc.SBQXJC	ALYac
Arcabit	Trojan.Generic.D4824D00	Avast
AVG	Script-SNH-gen (Drip)	BitDefender

Malware analysis interface showing file details for `a833f27c2bb4cad31344e70386c44b5c221f031d7cd2f2a6b8601919e790161e`. The file is a PowerShell script (pas.ps1) with a size of 1.52 KB. It has been flagged as malicious by 21/56 security vendors. The file's behavior includes long sleeps, detecting debug environment, and checking CPU name.

**Community Score:** 21 / 56

**Popular threat label:** trojan:powershell/malgent

**Threat categories:** trojan, downloader

**Family labels:** powershell, malgent

**Security vendors' analysis:**

Vendor	Detection	Signature
Allicloud	Trojan(downloader)Win/Malgent.Gen	ALYac
Arcabit	Trojan.Generic.D4824D20	BitDefender
CTX	Txt.trojan.malgent	Emnisoft
eScan	Trojan.GenericKD.75647776	Fortinet
GDData	Trojan.GenericKD.75647776	Google

Malware analysis interface showing file details for `3448da03808f24568e6181011f8521c0713ea6160ef05b0f20c43b091ff59f7`. The file is a PowerShell script (TV.dll) with a size of 12.62 KB. It has been flagged as malicious by 47/73 security vendors. The file's behavior includes signed, overlay, checks user input, long sleeps, invalid signature, and detecting debug environment.

**Community Score:** 47 / 73

**Popular threat label:** trojan:malgent/ahcr

**Threat categories:** trojan, pua

**Family labels:** malgent, ahcr, 003c5b8-435

**Security vendors' analysis:**

Vendor	Detection	Signature
Alibaba	Trojan:Win32/Malgent.4f810ff6	Allicloud
ALYac	Trojan.GenericKD.75642097	Antiy-AVL
Arcabit	Trojan.Generic.D48234F1	Avast
AVG	Win32/MalwareX-gen [Trj]	BitDefender
Bkav Pro	W32.AIDetect/Malware	CrowdStrike Falcon

