

Sigma rules heavily rely on process execution (with command-line) events (Windows Event Log Security Event ID 4688 and Sysmon Event ID 1).

Many of them provide detection of malicious PowerShell oneliners.

At the same time, the presence of Sigma rules for Powershell Obfuscation Indicators detection is quite limited.

There are a five Sigma rules for PowerShell obfuscation detection, developed by Thomas Patzke (<a href="https://example.com/other-text-align: center-text-align: cent

- Suspicious XOR Encoded PowerShell Command Line (812837bb-b17f-45e9-8bd0-0ec35d2e3bd6)
- Suspicious XOR Encoded PowerShell Command Line (bb780e0c-16cf-4383-8383-1e5471db6cf9)
- Suspicious PowerShell Parameter Substring (<u>36210e0d-5b19-485d-a087-c096088885f0</u>)
- CrackMapExec PowerShell Obfuscation (6f8b3439-a203-45dc-a88b-abf57ea15ccf)
- CrackMapExec Command Execution (058f4380-962d-40a5afce-50207d36d7e2)

At the same time, there and only three Sigma rules (developed by Daniel Bohannon, @danielhbohannon) that are focusing on detection of one of the obfuscation functions (<u>obfuscated IEX</u> invocation) provided by Invoke-Obfuscation framework.

There are at least 30 more obfuscation methods that Invoke-Obfuscation framework provides.

We would like to collaborate on Sigma rules development in this area.

Solution

We developed a table with pre-generated PowerShell commands, obfuscated by the Invoke-Obfuscation framework, you can pick up some of the tasks in that table and develop Sigma rules for them. You will need to use regular expression value modifier, provided by Sigma converter (sigmac).

Here is an example of <u>Sigma rule</u> that utilizes a regular expression value modifier (|re):

```
title: Invoke-Obfuscation obfuscated IEX invocation id: 4bf943c6-5146-4273-98dd-e958fd1e3abf description: "Detects all variations of obfuscated power status: experimental author: Daniel Bohannon (@Mandiant/@FireEye), oscd.commu date: 2019/11/08 tags:
```

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- attack.defense_evasion
    - attack.t1027
logsource:
    product: windows
    service: process_creation
detection:
    selection:
        - CommandLine|re: '\$PSHome\[\s*\d{1,3}\s*\]\s*\
        - CommandLine|re: '\$ShellId\[\s*\d{1,3}\s*\]\s*
        - CommandLine|re: '\$env:Public\[\s*\d{1,3}\s*\]
        - CommandLine|re: '\$env:ComSpec\[(\s*\d{1,3}\s*
        - CommandLine re: '\*mdr\*\W\s*\)\.Name'
        - CommandLine | re: '\$VerbosePreference\.ToString
        - CommandLine|re: '\String\]\s*\$VerbosePreferen
    condition: selection
falsepositives:
   - Unknown
level: high
```

The approach

We developed a table with pre-generated PowerShell commands, obfuscated by the <u>Invoke-Obfuscation</u> framework. The description of the approach is following.

Original code (before obfuscation)

```
# command example
Invoke-Expression (New-Object Net.WebClient).Downloadscr
# variable example
$env:path
# type token example
[Scriptblock]::Create("Write-Host $env:path")
```

The main goal is to detect the obfuscation method itself, not a specific command

Some of the obfuscation methods are already covered by Sigma rules, developed by the Invoke-Obfuscation author. He used the following regexes in the rules:

```
\$PSHome\[\s*\d{1,3}\s*\]\s*\+\s*\$PSHome\[\$ShellId\[\s*\d{1,3}\s*\]\s*\+\s*\$ShellId\[\$env:Public\[\s*\d{1,3}\s*\]\s*\+\s*\$env:Public\[\$env:ComSpec\[(\s*\d{1,3}\s*,){2}
```

```
\*mdr\*\W\s*\)\.Name
\$VerbosePreference\.ToString\(
\String\]\s*\$VerbosePreference
```

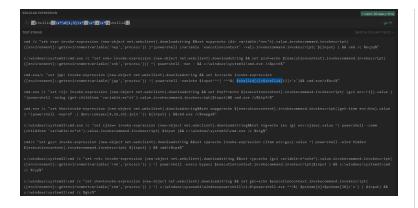
These regexes provide detection of the <u>IEX invocation obfuscation</u> function. This function is included into almost every encoding method so they can maintain zero dependencies and work on their own. That's why you'll see similar obfuscation results in different tasks, but it shouldn't distract you from the main goal.

Let's walk through the <u>task 28</u> to get more details on the regex development approach:

- 1. Copy all obfuscated commands examples into <u>Sublime</u> or other text editor of your choice
- Select all examples and lowercase them. In Sublime you can do it by pressing Ctrl+k, Ctrl+l (Windows) / CMD+k, CMD+l (Mac)
- 3. Paste the lowecased examples to the regex editor of your choice
- 4. Start to apply lowercased regexes from existing <u>Sigma rule</u> <u>created by Daniel Bohannon</u> one by one:
 - 4.1. Regex \\$pshome\[\s*\d{1,3}\s*\]\s*\+\s*\\$pshome\[
 covers only one example (9th):



4.2. Regex \\$shellid\
[\s*\d{1,3}\s*\]\s*\+\s*\\$shellid\[covers only one
example (3rd):



- 4.3. Regex \\$env:public\
 [\s*\d{1,3}\s*\]\s*\+\s*\\$env:public\[doesn't cover
 any examples.
- 4.4. Regex $\sin (s*d{1,3}\s*,){2}$ covers only one example (5th):



- 4.5. Regex $\mbox{\mbox{\mbox{$\ast$}}\name} \mbox{\mbox{\mbox{doesn't cover any examples.}}$
- 4.6. Regex \\$verbosepreference\.tostring\(\) doesn't cover any examples.
- 4.7. Regex \string\]\s*\\$verbosepreference doesn't cover any examples.
- 5. Start to develop your own regex that will cover all of the obfuscation examples of this particular obfuscation method, e.g.:
 - 5.1. Regex .*cmd.*\/c.*\^\|.*powershell.*&&.*cmd.*\/c covers all examples:

This is our main goal - detect the obfuscation method looking for similar patterns in all of it obfuscation examples.

A little tip for the regex development

You can copy all pre-generated obfuscated powershell one-liners from a particular task (that are generated by a specific obfuscation method) and paste them to regex101 web-app for regular expression development. It will simplify the process a lot, and help you to find patterns to detect. (you can save your progress there and even apply a dark theme (:).

One obfuscation method = 3 Sigma rules

Each Sigma rule for a specific PowerShell obfuscation method should be developed for process_creation log category, service creation events (windows system eid 7045, windows sysmon eid 6, windows security eid 4697) and powershell log source. You can follow the approach used for obfuscated IEX invocation rules — there are 3 rules that rely on the same set of regular expressions:

- rules/windows/process_creation/win_invoke_obfuscation_obfu scated_iex_commandline.yml
- rules/windows/powershell/powershell_invoke_obfuscation_obfuscated iex.yml
- rules/windows/builtin/win_invoke_obfuscation_obfuscated_iex _services.yml

Case Sensitivity

We consider that we're able to apply all regexes as not case sensitive or that all events are lowercased in a log pipeline before indexing in SIEM/LM system.

Tasks

If you would like to assign yourself to some of the Tasks listed below, you should comment on the Issue with a specific Task you are going to solve. This way, the other participants will see that you will work on a particular task so they will do something else and not intersect with you.

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TOKEN OBFUSCATION

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TOKEN\STRING\1&2 skipped, because there are not any String tokens to obfuscate, but they do Concatenate and Reoder just like TOKEN\ARGUMENT\3&4 (Tasks #4&5)

Task #	Option	
1	TOKEN\COMMAND\1 TOKEN\ARGUMENT\2 TOKEN\MEMBER\2	TOKEN\COMMAND\1 IN`V`o`Ke-eXp`ResSIOn (Ne`V IN`V`OKE-exPRE`Ss`i`oN (n`e\ IN`VOke-expr`eSS`ioN (NE`w-
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		\${ENv:`path}
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_	TO ((5A)) T((D5) 4	sV ("5Y"+"X") ([typE]('SCrlpT
7	TOKEN\TYPE\1	SET F9cg ([tYpE]('scr'+'l'+'PT
		SET-Variable ('V'+'IR') ([TyPE]
	8 TOKEN\TYPE\2	Set-itEM vaRiAbLE:YsB ([tYPe \$env:path")
8		set-ITEm ('VAri'+'aBL'+'E'+':Y ('VARI'+'aBL'+'e'+':y'+'7w8O
		SEt-ItEM ('vAriAb'+'l'+'e:p87: ('VaRiab'+'L'+'E:P87Z2')).vaLl
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		.("{0}{3}{1}{2}{4}{5}" -f 'lnv','Ex ("{2}{0}{1}{3}" -f 'ownl','oad','E
	TOKEN\ALL\1	.("{1}{0}{4}{3}{2}" -f'e-E','Invok {0}{3}{2}{4}{1}" -f'Do','ing','l','w
9		&("{0}{1}{3}{2}"-f'l','nvoke','es: ("{1}{2}{3}{0}" -f'g','Download!
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Task #	Option	Results	Comments
#	Орион	Covered by the Invoke-Obfuscation author himself, even for the method commented out in the code: Rule # 1 Rule # 2 Rule # 3	These options
10	STRING\1 STRING\2 STRING\3	You'll encounter patterns from these rules further on, that's because the source code block is copy/pasted into almost every encoding function so they can maintain zero dependencies and work on their own. Again, don't hesitate to check the work done and improve it, if you know how.	·

ENCODING OBFUSCATION

Task #	Option	
		Partialy covered by the same Sigma
11	ENCODING\1	IEx([StrING]::JOin(", ('34@32@36:40l 32P44z52T48u32@44T55_56u44_49 32T44u49R49_54R44T52T49u44~52 116@123~32z40T91k105T110~116
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		Partialy covered by the same Sigma
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12	ENCODING\2	('49}6eU76w6f:6b:65U2dV45w78V7
		IEX([StRIng]::jOin(",('49>6ex76~6f>6
		"\$(sEt-ITeM 'VarIABle:ofs' '') " +[STrin
		Partialy covered by the same Sigma
		IEX (-jOIn ('111x156P166<157C153
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		INvOkE-EXpReSsION (" \$(sET-vAriAl
		[STRINg]::JOIN(", ('111V156~166~1!
14	ENCODING\4	Partialy covered by the same Sigma
		iNvOKE-EXPReSsiON (((1001001 , 1 [COnveRT]::toinT16(([sTriNG]\$_) ,2))
		lex ([stRlng]::jOIN(" , ((1001001 , 110 2)-as [CHaR]) })))
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		IEX(-jOIN ('1001001C1101110M111 SPIIT'x'-SPlit 'M' -spLIt'C'-SPLiT'!'-spli
		Partialy covered by the same Sigma
		([rUnTImE.InteropSErvICes.mARShAL] DYANwA3ADQAMwBiAGYANwA1AG))) ieX
15	ENCODING\5	([RuntimE.intEropseRvICes.MArsHAl]:: xAGEAMgAwADMANwAwAGYAYwA(SeCuRESTriNG -K (4514))))) INvOkE
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		Iex(([RUntime.INTerOPSeRVICEs.marSIAZgBmADEAYQBhADkAMABiADIAN
		Partialy covered by the same Sigma
16	FNCODINGLE	[sTRIng]::JoIn('', ('66z101J125!100J96
10	5 ENCODING\6	[sTrinG]::JoIn(", ([Char[]](100 ,67 , 91
		[STriNg]::JOin(",('87G112V104l113A1
		Example 1
17	FNCODING 7	Example 2
17	ENCODING\7	Example 3
		Example 4
		Example 1
18	FNCODING\8	
18	ENCODING\8	Example 1

COMPRESS OBFUSCATION

Task #	Option	
19	COMPRESS\1	Partialy covered by the same Sigma I function so they can maintain zero concept. (neW-obJECT sYSTEm.io.CompReSSiO [sysTEm.COnVErT]::frOMBase64strInC), [sYsTEM.IO.compReSSiON.cOMPRessionEAcH{ \$reADToEND()})] IEx Iex(new-object system.IO.CompressionExtensionEx

PS LAUNCHER OBFUSCATION

Task #	Option	
20	LAUNCHER\PS*	LAUNCHER\PS\0 NO EXECUTION poWeRsHEII "Invoke-Expression (New POwErShell "Invoke-Expre
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		PowerSHEII -nOEX "Invoke-Express

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C:\WIndoWs\SYSwOw64\WINDOW

CMD LAUNCHER OBFUSCATION

LAUNCHER\CMD*	Options LAUNCHER\CMD\0 - obfuscation methods for PS ke only hunt for CMD indicators:
	sNAD /s res\Morel ITII
	cMD /c poWersHEll
	C:\wINDOWs\SYstEM32\CmD.E
	cMd.EXe /c PoweRSHell -nonin
	C:\winDOWs\sYstEM32\cmD.eX
	CMd.exE/c powERsHeLL -nOPR

cMD/c pOWersHeLl -c
C:\WiNDoWS\SysTEM32\cMD /
cmd /c poWERSHeLL -Ep bYPAS
CMd.exE/CC:\wiNdows\SySwOw

WMIC LAUNCHER OBFUSCATION

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Task #	Option	
		Options LAUNCHER\WMIC\0 obfuscation methods for PS keeping only hunt for WMIC indicator
		WMIC "ProcESs" Call CREATE
	LAUNCHER\WMIC*	wMIC.exE 'PRoceSS' 'caLL' crEa
		c:\wINdoWS\sYstEM32\wbem\
22		wmic 'pRoCEss' "caLL" cReaTE '
		WMIC PrOCESS "caLL" 'cReAte
		C:\windoWS\sysTEm32\wbem\
		c:\wINdOWS\systEm32\WbEM
		wMic.Exe "PrOCESS" CAIL crea
		wmlc.eXE "PRoCEss" "cALI" 'Cre

RUNDLL LAUNCHER OBFUSCATION

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Task #	Option	
23	LAUNCHER\RUNDLL*	Options LAUNCHER\RUND obfuscation methods for PS

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VAR+ LAUNCHER OBFUSCATION

Task #	Option	
24	LAUNCHER\VAR+*	Options LAUNCHER\VAR+\0 just apply different PS keys th 10, so in this task we should o
		cMD.exe /C "seT SIDb=Invoke- Net.WebClient).DownloadString f 'eT-vaR','G','iab','IE') (\"{0}{1}\\") ((^&(\"{0}{1}\\" -f'g','CI') (\"{0
		c:\wiNdOWS\sYSteM32\CMD.e (New-Object Net.WebClient).De sEt-Item (\"Var\" + \"IAbIE:v\" - f'ROnM','E','ENvi','nt')); \${exEcuTIONCoNtEXT}.\"InVo`k GCi (\"VAR\" + \"iABIE:v\" +\"y 'IE','Ria','EnviROnMeN','GET','b', {1}{2}{0}\" -f 's','Pr','Oces'))))"

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(New-Object Net.WebClient).Dc
SET-iteM ('VAR' + 'i'+ 'A' + 'blE
'iRoN','mENT','e','nv'));
\${exECUtIONCOnTEXT}.\"IN`VC
GEt-VAriAble ('a' + 'o6I0') -vaL
f'e','gETenvIR','NtvaRIa','BL','ON
{1}\" -f'pRoC','esS'))))"

C:\WIndoWs\systeM32\cMD /c
Object Net.WebClient).Downloa
\${m`FLj`92} = [TYPE](\"{1}{2}{0}\
\${mF`LJ`92}::(\"{4}{2}{3}{0}{1}\").Invoke((\"{0}{1}\" -f 'qTHS','A'
{0}{1}{2}\" -f'Ke-','eXP','rEsSiOn',

c:\wiNDOws\systeM32\CmD.ex
Object Net.WebClient).Downloa
\$RiJGI = [TyPe](\"{0}{2}{1}\" -f 'I
{ExeCutIONConTeXT}.\"iNVo`kec
'INv','KEscri','o','Pt').Invoke((\$r
f'tVarIAB','ge','Le','meN','tenvIrC
'cEs','s','PRO'))))"

C:\wInDOWS\sYsTEm32\cMD.E (New-Object Net.WebClient).Dc hIDD (.(\"{0}{2}{1}\"-f 'v','E','aRi VaLU).\"inV`OKE`CoMMa`Nd\".('OKES','INV','CRIpt').Invoke((^c f'xyp','EnV:')).\"Va`luE\")"

C:\wINdOWs\SyStem32\cMD /\(\) (New-Object Net.WebClient).Dc EXECuTIOnpoLIcY bypasS (.(\"{(f'e','X*XT') -VALuEoNly).\"inV`O f'ip','InVokeScR','T').Invoke((^{ CHIL','EM') (\"{3}{1}{2}{0}\"-f 'R

cMd.eXE /C "Set prJ=Invoke-Ex
Net.WebClient).DownloadString
C:\WIndows\SYSWOW64\wINd
^&(\"{1}{0}\" -f 'x','ie') ((.(\"{0}{
'pr','J','ENV:')).\"v`ALuE\") "

STDIN+ LAUNCHER OBFUSCATION

Task #	Option	
25	LAUNCHER\STDIN+*	Options LAUNCHER\STDIN- just apply different PS keys t so in this task we should onl
		cmd /C"echo\Invoke-Expressi Net.WebClient).DownloadStri \$EXECUTionCOnteXT.iNVoKE
		c:\windows\sYstEm32\CmD.e Net.WebClient).DownloadStri
		c:\wInDOws\SYstem32\CMd Net.WebClient).DownloadStri ([sTRiNg]\$VERBosEPrEfErENcl
	c:\WiNDOws\sysTEm32\cmd. Net.WebClient).DownloadStri \${EXEcUtIONCONTeXT}.INvO	
		CMd.eXe /c "eCHO/Invoke-Ex Net.WebClient).DownloadStri \${EXecUTiONCOnTEXT}.iNVO
		C:\wiNDoWS\sYSTEm32\cMd
		c:\wInDows\SYsteM32\CMd.I Net.WebClient).DownloadStri iTeM 'VariABLE:eX*Xt').ValuE.I
		c:\wiNDoWS\SySTem32\cmd Net.WebClient).DownloadStri

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cMD /C "ECHO\Invoke-Expre
Net.WebClient).DownloadStri
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'variabLE:EXECuTiONcontext')
)"

CLIP+ LAUNCHER OBFUSCATION

Task # Option	
# 26 LAUNCHER\CLIP+*	Options LAUNCHER\CLIP+\0 launcher just apply different F LAUNCHER\PS* (task 10), so CLIP+ indicators: cmD /C "ECho\Invoke-Expressi Net.WebClient).DownloadString {1}{0}\"-f 'ype','-T','Add') -AN (f'C','ore'),'Pre',(\"{1}{0}\"-f 'n',' [System.WIndOwS.CLiPBOARd]).\"I`NvOKE\"()) ^ ^& (([StRI+'x'-JOIN''); [System.Windows.f'Cl','ear').\"i`Nv`OkE\"()" C:\WIndows\SystEm32\CMd /(Object Net.WebClient).Downloa-st. (\"{1}{0}{2}\"-f(\"{0}{1}\"-f 'Pr \${Sh`eL`lid}[13] + 'x')(([wiNDO {1}\"-f 'get','tE'),'x','t').\"invO`Ke {1}\"-f (\"{1}{0}\"-f'e','etT'),'xt','' CmD /c " eCHO/Invoke-Expres Net.WebClient).DownloadString STa \${d`SCTG} = [Reflection.Ass f'adWithP','a'),(\"{1}{0}\"-f'tia')).\"iNVo`ke\"((\"{5}{1}{2}{3}{4})); \${EXEcUtIONcontext}.\"i`N`V

'xT','TE'),'GeT').\"I`Nvo`Ke\"()) [
\"{1}{0}\" -f 'ear','CI').\"IN`Voke\

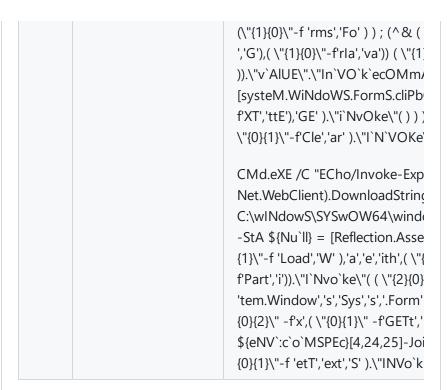
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VAR++ LAUNCHER OBFUSCATION

Task #	Option	
27	LAUNCHER\VAR++*	Options LAUNCHER\VAR++ just apply different PS keys t so in this task we should onl
		C:\wINDOwS\SYStEM32\CmI Object Net.WebClient).Downl {1}{0}\"-f'ex','I')((.(\"{1}{0}\"-f'E','nv',':jXgL')).\"v`AluE\")&8
		c:\WiNDOWS\sYSTEm32\Cm (New-Object Net.WebClient). noeX ^ ^ &(\"{2}{0}{1}\"-f '-l') ([TYpE](\"{2}{3}{0}{1}\"-f 'e','l [sTrIng]\${VE`Rbo`SepReFER`E 'RIAbLe:z8j' + 'u2' +'l')).vAL
		'IRo','Nm','GETE','ABIE','I','nv',' {0}\"-f'cEss','P','RO'))))&& c:\

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f'EXECUTIOnCOnT','t','eX')).\"\
{0}\" -f'rlpt','keS','invO','c').Inv
{1}\"-f 'eNV:G','jQ')).\"VAl`UE\
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'NmE','N','gE {0}\"-f'SS','PF	ROCE'))))&& cN
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STDIN++ LAUNCHER OBFUSCATION

Task #	Option	
28	LAUNCHER\STDIN++*	Options LAUNCHER\STDIN launcher just apply differer LAUNCHER\PS* (task 10), STDIN++ indicators: cmD /c "SEt nEp= Invoke-E: Net.WebClient).DownloadSt vaRIAbIE:*XeC*T).valuE.iNvC ([eNViROnMenT]::geTenvIR())^[PowersHEIL (VArIABIe 'e) VAL).InVokeCoMmand.InvC C:\wiNdOWs\SystEm32\cM (New-Object Net.WebClient \${EXECutloNcOnTExT}.inVol ([eNvirOnMEnT]::GETenVIrC poweRSHeIL -NoE - && C:\ CmD.ExE/c "SEt jqP= Invoke Net.WebClient).DownloadSt eXPreSsioN
	([enviRONMent]::GEteNVIr(POWerSHELI -NoNinTE \$IN \$sheLlid[1]+\$ShELlid[13]+'>	
		cMd.EXE /C "SET RiJ= Invok Net.WebClient).DownloadSt

\${eXEcuTIONcOnTEXT}.iNV(eNV:rlj).vaLUe) ^|PoWeRsh 'VArlaBlE:ex*XT').vAlue.Invol cMd.EXE /C%ktpfR%"

CmD.EXE /C "SeT khW=Invo Net.WebClient).DownloadSt \${EXECuTIonCOntext}.inVO EnV:khW).vaLuE) ^|PoWER \$Env:cOmSPec[4,26,25]-jOi

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CLIP++ LAUNCHER OBFUSCATION

Task #	Option	
29	LAUNCHER\CLIP++*	Options LAUNCHER\CLIP++ same way as LAUNCHER\PS' C:\WINdoWS\sySteM32\CMc Net.WebClient).DownloadStri f'dd-',(\"{0}{1}\" -f 'T','ype'),'A \"{2}{1}{0}\" -f 'rms','Fo','s.'),'i, [sYSteM.wiNDoWS.forMs.CIIF [System.Windows.Forms.Cliph C:\WINDOwS\SyStEm32\cMd C:\wiNDOwS\SyStEm32\cLiP. {2}\"-f 'Ad','d-T','ype') -A (\"{ }); \${EXEcUtIONcONtEXT}.\"IN {1}\"-f'GE',(\"{0}{1}\"-f 'TT','EXt f'le','ar')).\"iN'V'oKe\"()" C:\wiNdowS\syStEm32\cmd / cllp&&C:\wiNdowS\syStEm32 [System.Reflection.Assembly]: 'hPart','ia')).\"i`NvOke\"((\"{3}{6}\) \${eX`Ec`UT`ioN`coNteXt}.\"I`N {0}\"-f'EXt',(\"{1}{0}\" -f 'T','gE1 'tTe','Se'),'t').\"i`NvoKe\"(' ')" C:\WINDowS\sYSTEM32\Cm[C:\WINDowS\sYSTEM32\Cm[C:\WINdOWs\SYSteM32\CLip. [System.Reflection.Assembly]: 'ial','N','ame'),'it','h').\"in`VO`K [wIndows.fOrms.cLIPBOArD]: {2}{1}{0}\"-f 'e',(\"{2}{1}{0}\"-f jOin''); [Windows.Forms.Cliph C:\WINdOws\sYSTEM32\Cmc CLIp&&C:\WINdOws\sYSTEM Assem (\"{1}{3}{0}{4}{2}\"-f'e f'lab','L'),'va','e') (\"{1}{0}{4}{:).\"va`IUe\".\"invok`E`cOmM`A {1}\"-f 'gEt','Te')).\"i`NVO`ke\" f'Se','tTex')).\"INvo`KE\"(' ')"



RUNDLL++ LAUNCHER OBFUSCATION

Task #	Option	
30	LAUNCHER\RUNDLL++*	Options LAUNCHER\RUI launcher just apply diffe (task 10), so in this task of c:\WiNdOws\sySTeM32\c Object Net.WebClient).Do ShellExec_RunDLL "pOWE ^ . ('{1}{0}'-f'ex','i')"

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Object Net.WebClient).Dc
,ShellExec_RunDLL "POW(
{3}'-F 'O','NVir','E','NmeN'
'v','LE',':EXECu','IoNcOnTe
{1}{3}'-f'I','KE','Nvo','sCRIp
'NvIrO','VA','getE','nMEnt
f's','Proce','s'))))"

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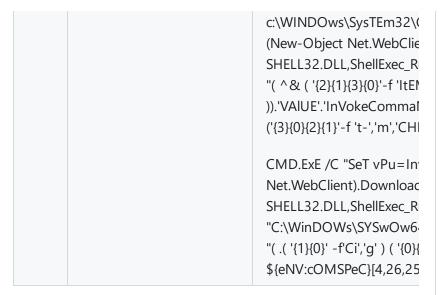
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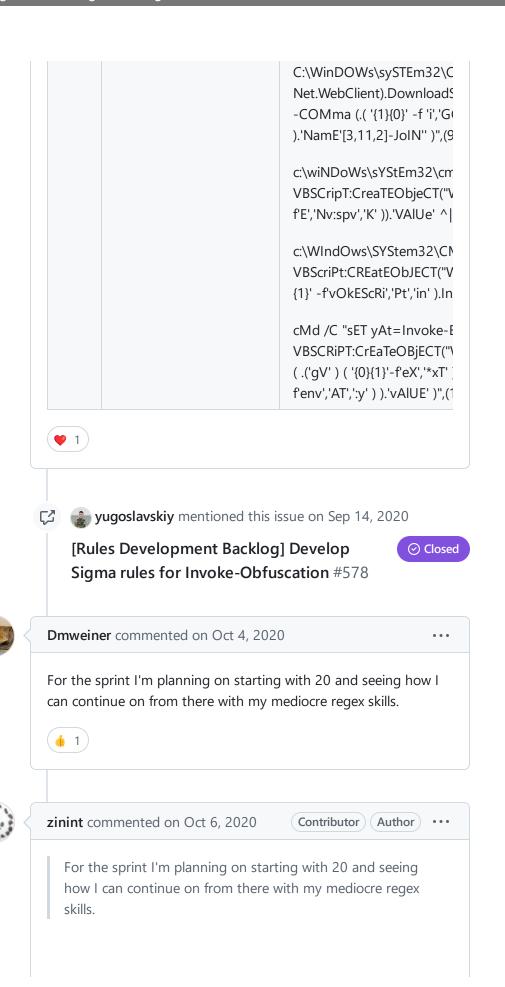
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MSHTA++ LAUNCHER OBFUSCATION

Task #	Option	
31	LAUNCHER\MSHTA++*	Options LAUNCHER\MSh LAUNCHER\PS* (task 10) c:\winDowS\syStEM32\Cm Net.WebClient).DownloadS '{1}{0}'-f'I','GC') ('{0}{2}{1}' - CMD.exE/C "SeT Qsk=Invo VBScRIpT:CREATeObjECt("\ 'Sk','ENV:Q')).'vAlue'^ ^& C:\WinDOwS\SystEm32\ch VBScript:CReATEOBjeCt("W {0}{1}' -f 'P','t','OkescrI','iNv C:\WindOws\SySTeM32\cr Net.WebClient).DownloadS NoLoG (.'('{1}{0}' -f 'ITem',' (WInDow.Close)" cMD/C "sET NkI=Invoke-E VBSCRIPT:CreaTEObjeCT(" 'pT','nvoKES','cRI','I').Invoke



Thanks, great! Wating for your PR, great chance to improve your regex skills BTW (: they are pretty handy (: NikitaStormwind commented on Oct 8, 2020 • Contributor edited -If no one objects, I'll take 31 and 30 30 #1094 #1097 #1108 31 #1098 #1099 #1109 **6** 2 NikitaStormwind commented on Oct 8, 2020 @zinint Do you want the rule to work on a single regular expression as specified in point 5 "Start to develop your own regex that will cover all of the obfuscation examples of this particuar obfuscation method, e.g"? Or you need several regular expressions for different patterns as shown in the examples: rules/windows/process_creation/win_invoke_obfuscation_obfuscat ed_iex_commandline.yml rules/windows/powershell/powershell_invoke_obfuscation_obfusca ted_iex.yml rules/windows/builtin/win_invoke_obfuscation_obfuscated_iex_serv ices.yml zinint commented on Oct 8, 2020 • (Contributor) (Author) edited ▼



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Contributor Author

@NikitaStormwind I think we need several regular expressions for different patterns, but I'm open for suggestions (:



zinint commented on Oct 8, 2020 Contributor Author ...

If no one objects, I'll take 31 and 30

No objects, of course, thanks for joining!



<u>@NikitaStormwind</u> I think we need several regular expressions for different patterns, but I'm open for suggestions (:

<u>@zinint</u> | And one more question: Do you need to make several rules for the task? For example: 1.Rule (4104,4103), 2.Rule (process create), or is one rule enough?





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Contributor

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It depends, but I think they should be a Rule Collection

Saw you PRs, you went with 2 rules, I think that's fine, maybe later we will somehow rearrange that, but for now, that's a nice way, thanks a lot for your time and contribution. I'll get back to you in PRs after I review the rules.

Ok, thanks. I'll take a couple more tasks tomorrow



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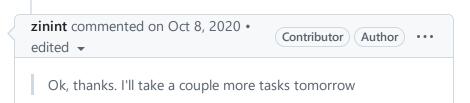
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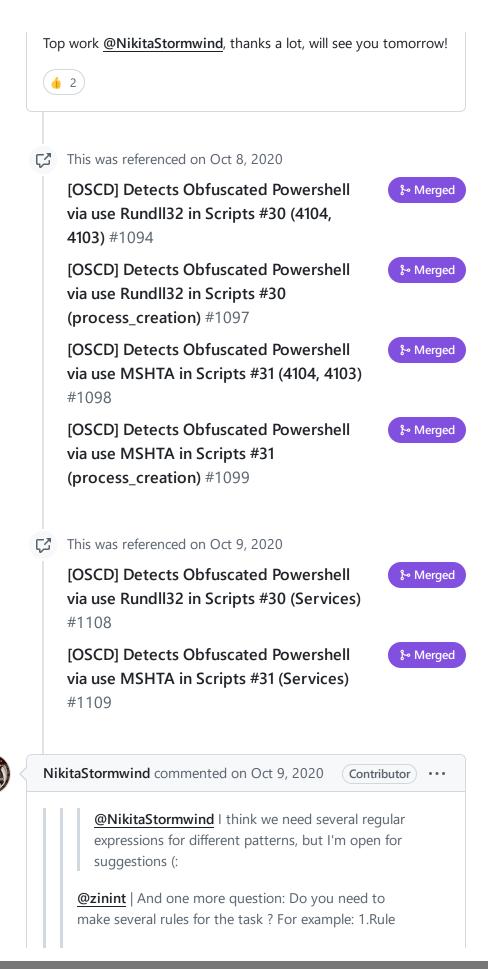
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- rules/windows/powershell/powershell_invoke_obfuscation_obfuscated_iex.yml
- rules/windows/builtin/win_invoke_obfuscation_obfuscated_iex _services.yml







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@zinint | I made 3 rules for one task. If the check is successful, I will continue to write other tasks using the same method.

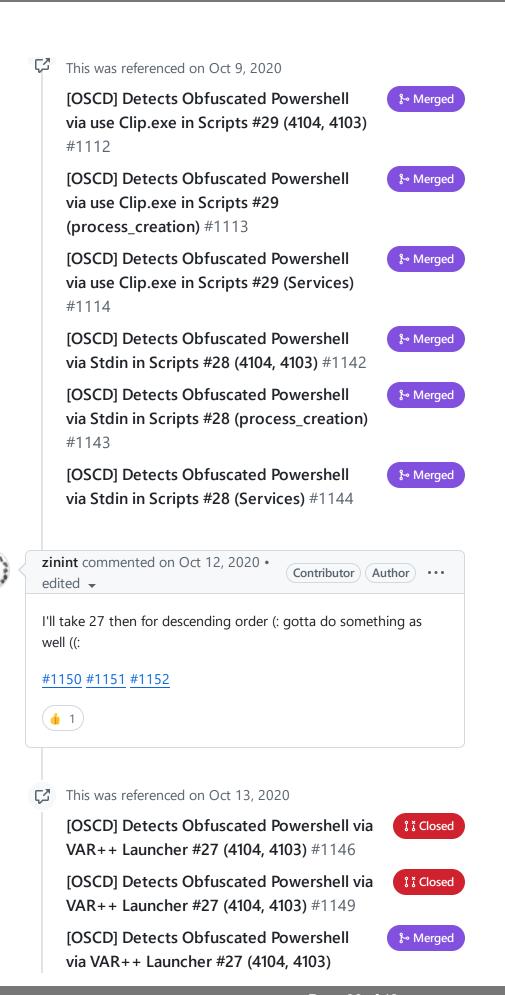
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30 #1094 #1097 #1108
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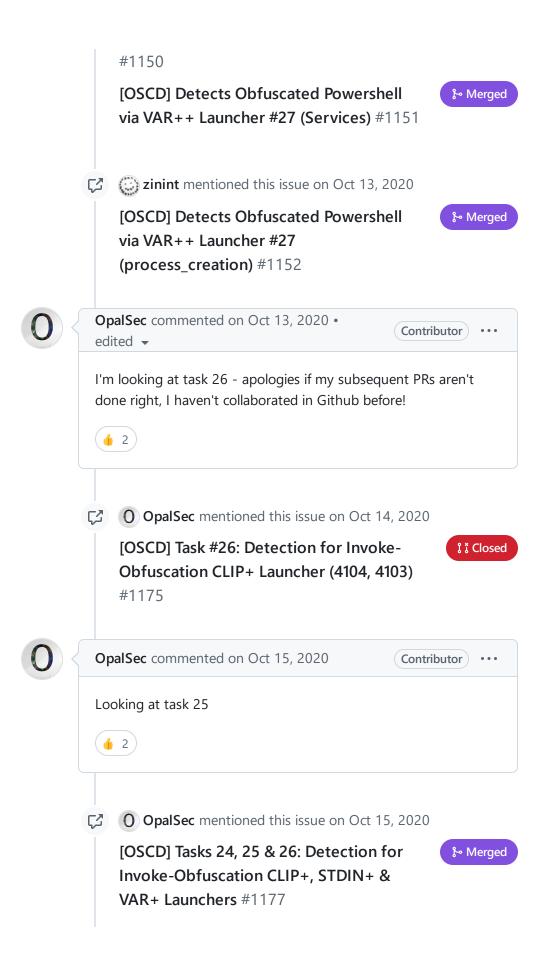


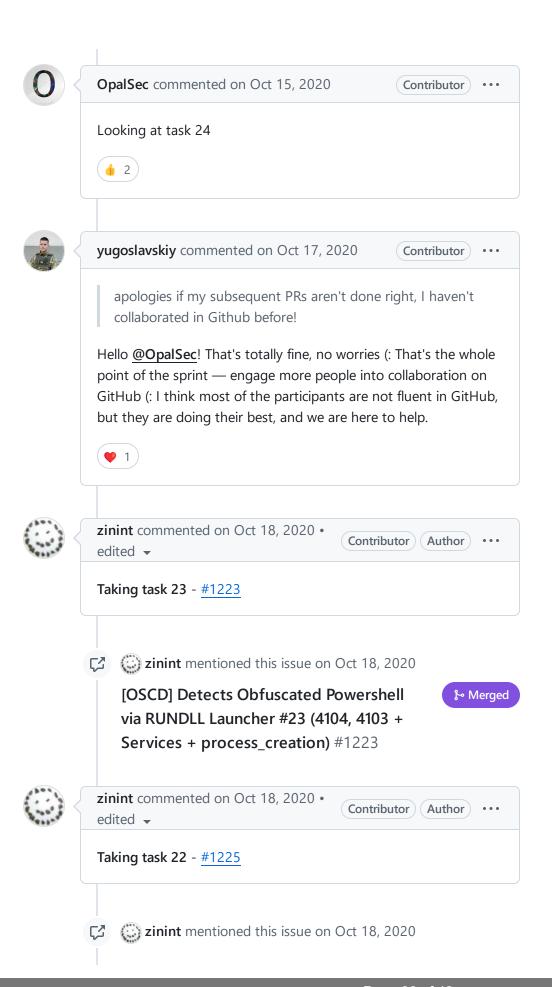




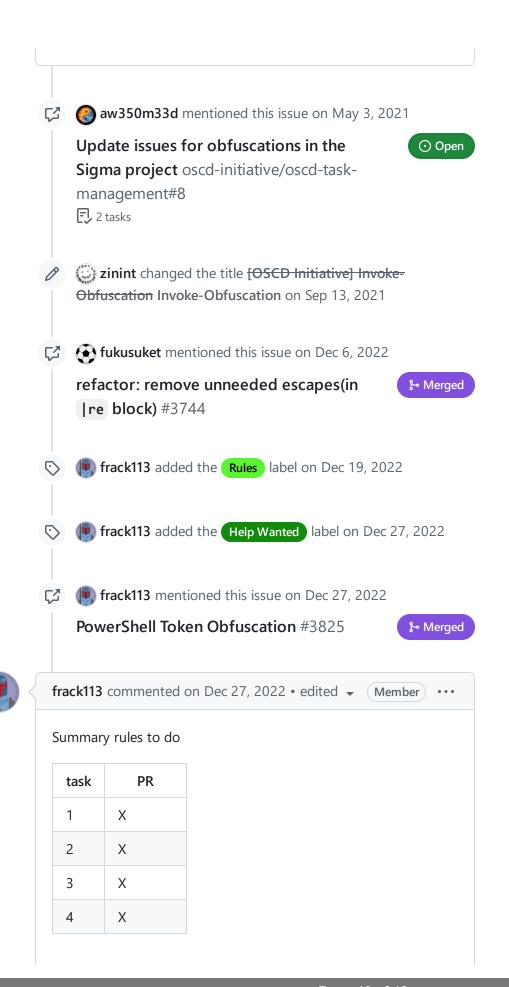
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29 #1112 #1113 #1114
28 #1142 #1143 #1144
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  Due to the very high FP rate, I suggest skipping these tasks.
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Taking task 17
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5	X
6	X
7	X
8	X
9	X
10	dead link
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12	
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14	
15	
16	
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21	



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Most action are detected even if get no alert on the encoding. Need to complex regex to catch then all

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