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1. At address 0x00401092 the malware is calling the kernel32.dll library to execute a library function "GetProcAddress".
2. At address 0x004010A6, the malware is calling Library function 'VirtualAlloc'. It seems that the callee is trying to allocate address space for the Procedure handle it gets from the 'GetProcAddress' library function.
3. All the sub routines are called right after an import is pushed to the stack. Subroutine sub\_401360 is called before imports kernel32.dll library functions, sub\_401372 is called before imports belonging to advapi32.dll, sub\_401388 is called before imports belonging to user32.dll. We can assume that the malware uses these subroutines to load library functions for the malware file virus.exe
4. The following functions were imported:
  - GetProcAddress
  - VirtualAlloc
  - GetModuleFileNameA
  - ExitProcess
  - CopyFileA
  - GetWindowsDirectory
  - LoadLibraryA
  - RegCreateKeyA
  - SetKeyValueA
  - RegCloseKey
  - MessageBoxA
5. The functions we obfuscated by the malware write so that it would not be picked up by IDA Pro. I use the R key to change the byte to character value.
6. From the strings, we have decoded using IDA Pro, we can assume that this malware open the virus file named '/virus.exe' using Software/Microsoft/Windows/CurrentVersion/Run. This imports several dll functions and creates a registry key that is embedded in the file: Infected!

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1. Win/lose function is located at 0x004011BC.
2. The malware flips the characters of the input so that 0x18 becomes 0x81.

3. The encrypted flag is stored at 0x0040303C.
4. Flag: Pral se\_th3\_Sun!

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1. We see that the malware uses GetModuleFilenameA to get the path of the file and then delete the file. We need to change the malware in aa way to allow the code to execute. There are 2 steps to allowing the malware install itself.

00402AF3	. B8 2C180000	MOV EAX,182C
00402AF8	. E8 B3030000	CALL b94af4a4.00402EB0
00402AFD	. 837D 08 01	CMP DWORD PTR SS:[EBP+8],1
00402B01	. 75 1A	JNZ SHORT b94af4a4.00402B1D
00402B03	. E8 F8E4FFFF	CALL b94af4a4.00401000
00402B08	. 85C0	TEST EAX,EAX

In line 0x402AFD we can see a comparison operation. Where the command line arguments are being compared with 1. If we can provide additional command line arguments the check in line would satisfy. Therefore, I added argument “-in”, this allows the code to move to 0x402B1D.

Another way to do this is by patching the binary. At address 0x402510 we see that there are several instructions like ADD, SUM, IMUL and XOR. This suggests that the malware was looking for a unique character or password. If we patch this to make it seem like whichever password entered is excepted, that can allow the malware to install itself.

2. The command line options for the malware are one of four arguments and a password. The arguments can be:

- -in: to install the malware
- -re: to remove the malware
- -c: to update configuration value in the Windows Registry Key
- -cc: reverse of the above function, it reads and prints configuration key to the console.

After analysis of instructions at 0x402510, we can conclude that the password is a string “abcd”.

3. Patching is possible by changing the starting bytes of the function at address 0x402510 so that it would skip the entire password check and return true at the beginning. This is possible by adding the following instructions:

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MOV EAX, 0x1;
RETN;
```

If we convert this into byte sequence we get B8 01 00 00 00 C3.

4. Host based indicators:
  - HKLM\Software\Microsoft \XPS\ Configuration
  - XYZ Manager Service
5. At address 0x401E60 we see a function comparing a string to the following instructions:
  - SLEEP: sleeps for some seconds.
  - UPLOAD: creates a file with a certain filename and prints contents it receives from a specified port.
  - DOWNLOAD: sends a file of a certain filename at a specified port.
  - NOTHING: nothing performed
  - CMD: executes a command on the command prompt and then sends that information using port mentioned
6. Network based signatures:
  - <http://www.practicalmalwareanalysis.com/>;
  - HTTP/1.0 GET

**251f4d0caf6eadae453488f9c9c0ea95**

1. We find several imports using IDA Pro and string 'cmd' is found in Ollydb
2. Nothing is found, the malware terminates without doing anything.
- 3.

<pre> .text:0040113A .text:00401141 .text:00401148 .text:0040114F .text:00401156 .text:0040115D .text:00401164 .text:00401168 .text:00401172 .text:00401179 .text:00401180 .text:00401187 .text:0040118E .text:00401195 .text:0040119C .text:004011A3 .text:004011AA .text:004011B1 .text:004011B8 .text:004011BF .text:004011C6 .text:004011CB .text:004011D0       +not;004011D6       gram control flow; 004011D8       .text:004011D9       .text:004011E3       .text:004011EA       .text:004011EF       .text:004011F1       .text:004011F7       .text:004011F9       .text:004011FA       .text:004011FF       .text:00401205       .text:00401206       .text:00401208       .text:0040120E       .text:00401210       .text:00401216       .text:00401217       .text:0040121C </pre>	<pre> mov     byte ptr [ebp-1AEh], 'q' mov     [ebp+var_1AE], 'a' mov     [ebp+var_1AD], 'z' mov     [ebp+var_1AC], '2' mov     [ebp+var_1AB], 'w' mov     [ebp+var_1AA], 's' mov     [ebp+var_1A9], 'x' mov     [ebp+var_1A8], '3' mov     [ebp+var_1A7], 'e' mov     [ebp+var_1A6], 'd' mov     [ebp+var_1A5], 'c' mov     [ebp+var_1A4], 0 mov     [ebp+var_1A0], 'o' mov     byte ptr [ebp-12Fh], 'c' mov     [ebp+var_19E], '1' mov     [ebp+var_19D], '.' mov     [ebp+var_19C], 'e' mov     [ebp+var_19B], 'x' mov     [ebp+var_19A], 'e' mov     [ebp+var_199], 0 mov     ecx, 8 mov     esi, offset unk_405034 lea     edi, [ebp+var_1F0] rep movsd movsb mov     [ebp+var_1B8], 0 mov     [ebp+Filename], 0 mov     ecx, 43h xor     eax, eax lea     edi, [ebp-2FEh] rep stosd stosb push    10Eh           ; nSize lea     eax, [ebp+Filename] push    eax            ; lpFilename push    0              ; hModule call    ds:GetModuleFileName@ push    5Ch            ; int lea     ecx, [ebp+Filename] push    ecx            ; char * call    _strrchr add     esp, 8 </pre>
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From the figures above we see that at instruction 0x0401128 the malware moves bytes into local variables and then followed by library call to GetModuleFileNameA, \_strchr and \_strcmp. This can mean that the malware is scanning for occurrence of a character and from the current file name. Below we can see the file names in the stack ready for comparison. From this we can assume that we can get the file to run by naming it 'ocl.exe'

0012FC68	0040123B	RETURN to 251f4d0c.0040123B from 251f4d0c.004014C0
0012FC6C	0012FDE0	ASCII "ocl.exe"
0012FC70	0012FCB5	ASCII "251f4d0caf6eadae453488f9c9c0ea95"
0012FC74	7C910208	ntdll.7C910208
0012FC78	FFFFFFFF	
0012FC7C	00000000	
0012FC80	445C3A43	
0012FC84	6D75636F	

- Two strings are being built using local variables. This string is "1qaz2wsx3edc" and "ocl.exe". The malware designer want to make this string unrecognizable during basic static analysis and to prevent IDA Pro from reading it as a file name.
- At call to subroutine 0x00401089, we see 2 items in the stack,

004012A3	.v75 0A	JNZ SHORT ocl.004012AF	
004012A5	.B8 01000000	MOV EAX,1	
004012A9	.vE9 27010000	JMP ocl.004013D6	
004012AF	> 006D 10FEFFFF	LEA ECX, DWORD PTR SS:[EBP-1F0]	
004012B5	.51	PUSH ECX	
004012B9	.8D95 50FEFFFF	LEA EDX, DWORD PTR SS:[EBP-1B0]	
004012BD	.52	PUSH EDX	
004012C0	.E8 C70FFFFF	CALL ocl.00401089	Arg2 Arg1 ocl.00401089
004012C2	.B3C4 05	ADD ESP,5	
004012C5	.8945 F8	MOV DWORD PTR SS:[EBP-0],EAX	
004012C8	.8845 F8	MOV DWORD PTR SS:[EBP-0],EAX	
00401089=ocl.00401089			

Address	Hex dump	ASCII	
00401089	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	F8 27 40 00	0012FC6C
00401090	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....078.	0012FD00
00401091	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....	0012FD90
00401092	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....	0012FC74
00401093	63 60 64 00 46 06 16 54 42 05 12 18 47 0C 07 02	cmd.F8.T8446.0	0012FC78
00401094	5D 1C 00 00 16 45 16 01 10 52 06 05 0F 48 02 08 09	J...E.0*82*H00.	0012FC7C
00401095	1C 14 1C 15 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....	0012FC80
00401096	0D 16 48 00 01 00 00 00 05 00 00 C0 00 00 00 00	!..0.0...\$...0...	0012FC84

0012FC6C	0012FD00	Arg1 = 0012FD00 ASCII "1qaz2wsx3edc"
0012FC70	0012FD90	Arg2 = 0012FD90
0012FC74	7C910208	ntdll.7C910208
0012FC78	FFFFFFFF	
0012FC7C	00000000	
0012FC80	445C3A43	
0012FC84	6D75636F	
0012FC88	73746E65	
0012FC8C	K46FK120	

- String '1qaz2wsx3edc'
- Pointer to address 0x0012FD90

6.

00401114	.88C05 00FFFF	MOV BYTE PTR SS:[EBP+EAX-100],CL	
00401118	.^EB B7	JMP SHORT ocl.004010D4	
0040111D	> 8D85 00FFFF	LEA EAX, DWORD PTR SS:[EBP-100]	
00401123	.5F	POP EDI	
00401124	.8BE5	MOV ESP,EBP	
00401126	.5D	POP EBP	
00401127	.C3	RETN	
00401128	.55	PUSH EBP	
00401129	.8BEC	MOV EBP,ESP	
0040112B	.81EC 04030000	SUB ESP,304	
00401131	.56	PUSH ESI	
00401132	.57	PUSH EDI	
00401133	.C685 50FEFFFF	MOV BYTE PTR SS:[EBP-1B0],31	
0040113A	.C685 51FEFFFF	MOV BYTE PTR SS:[EBP-1AF],71	
00401141	.C685 52FEFFFF	MOV BYTE PTR SS:[EBP-1AE],61	
00401148	.C685 53FEFFFF	MOV BYTE PTR SS:[EBP-1AD],7A	
0040114F	.C685 54FEFFFF	MOV BYTE PTR SS:[EBP-1AC],32	
00401156	.C685 55FEFFFF	MOV BYTE PTR SS:[EBP-1AB],77	
0040115D	.C685 56FEFFFF	MOV BYTE PTR SS:[EBP-1AA],73	
00401164	.C685 57FEFFFF	MOV BYTE PTR SS:[EBP-1A9],78	

Stack address=0012FB64, (ASCII "www.practicalmalwareanalysis.com")  
EAX=0000001F  
Jump from 004010EA

From the figure above we can see that the domain name at 0x40111D is [www.practicalmalwareanalysis.com](http://www.practicalmalwareanalysis.com)

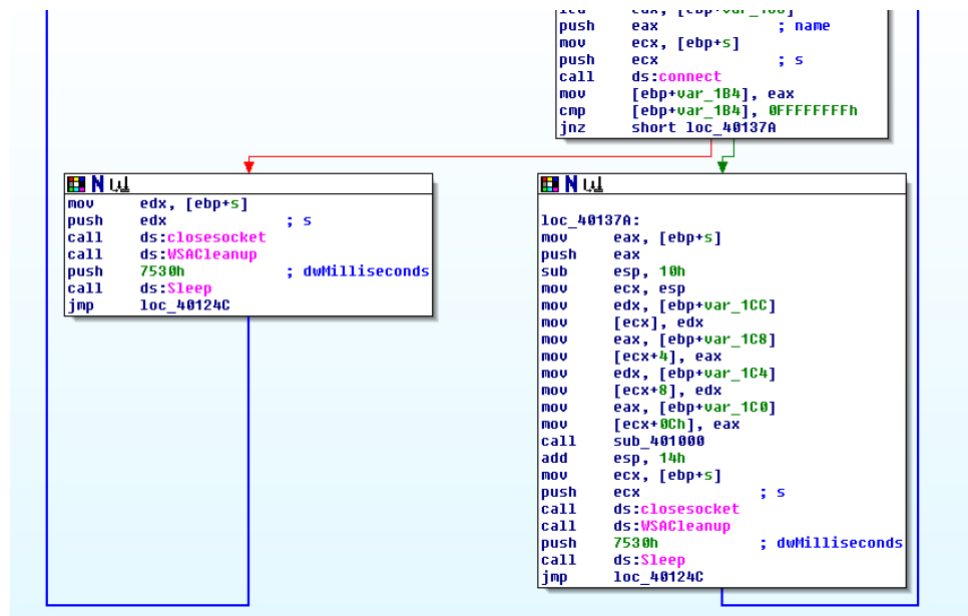
7. The loop below shows us that the malware is XORing string '[www.practicalmalwareanalysis.com](http://www.practicalmalwareanalysis.com)' with string '1qaz2wsx3edc' to obfuscate the domain name.

```

004010C2 | . 8985 FCFEFFFF MOV DWORD PTR SS:[EBP-104],EAX
004010C8 | . C785 F8FEFFFF MOV DWORD PTR SS:[EBP-108],0
004010D2 | > EB 0F JMP SHORT ocl.004010E3
004010D4 | . 8B8D F8FEFFFF MOV ECX,DWORD PTR SS:[EBP-108]
004010DA | . 83C1 01 ADD ECX,1
004010DD | . 898D F8FEFFFF MOV DWORD PTR SS:[EBP-108],ECX
004010E3 | > 83BD F8FEFFFF CMP DWORD PTR SS:[EBP-108],20
004010EA | . 7D 31 JGE SHORT ocl.0040111D
004010EC | . 8B55 0C MOV EDX,DWORD PTR SS:[EBP+C]
004010EF | . 0395 F8FEFFFF ADD EDX,DWORD PTR SS:[EBP-108]
004010F5 | . 0FBE0A MOVSX ECX,BYTE PTR DS:[EDX]
004010F8 | . 8B85 F8FEFFFF MOV EAX,DWORD PTR SS:[EBP-108]
004010FE | . 99 CQO
004010FF | . F7BD FCFEFFFF IDIV DWORD PTR SS:[EBP-104]
00401105 | . 8B45 08 MOV EAX,DWORD PTR SS:[EBP+8]
00401108 | . 0FBE1410 MOVSX EDX,BYTE PTR DS:[EAX+EDX]
0040110C | . 33CA XOR ECX,EDX
0040110E | . 8B85 F8FEFFFF MOV EAX,DWORD PTR SS:[EBP-108]
00401114 | . 8B8C05 00FFFF MOV BYTE PTR SS:[EBP+EAX-100],CL
0040111B | < EB B7 JMP SHORT ocl.004010D4
0040111D | > 8D85 00FFFFFF LEA EAX,DWORD PTR SS:[EBP-100]

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8. In the figure below after call to connection to socket, we see the malware calling sub routine 0x401000.



Here we see the malware calling library function `CreateProcessA` with string 'cmd' as an argument. This is a reverse shell which is spawned to receive commands from an attacker. The malware use the `StartupInfo`'s commands `hStdInput`, `hStdOutput` and `hStdError` to direct the shell commands and responses to the socket.

```

.text:00401001 mov     ebp, esp
.text:00401003 sub     esp, 58h
.text:00401006 mov     [ebp+var_14], 0
.text:0040100D push    44h ; size_t
.text:0040100F push    0 ; int
.text:00401011 lea     eax, [ebp+StartupInfo]
.text:00401014 push    eax ; void *
.text:00401015 call    _memset
.text:0040101A add     esp, 0Ch
.text:0040101D mov     [ebp+StartupInfo.cb], 44h
.text:00401024 push    10h ; size_t
.text:00401026 push    0 ; int
.text:00401028 lea     ecx, [ebp+hHandle]
.text:0040102B push    ecx ; void *
.text:0040102C call    _memset
.text:00401031 add     esp, 0Ch
.text:00401034 mov     [ebp+StartupInfo.dwFlags], 101h
.text:0040103B mov     [ebp+StartupInfo.wShowWindow], 0
.text:00401041 mov     edx, [ebp+arg_10]
.text:00401044 mov     [ebp+StartupInfo.hStdInput], edx
.text:00401047 mov     eax, [ebp+StartupInfo.hStdInput]
.text:0040104A mov     [ebp+StartupInfo.hStdError], eax
.text:0040104D mov     ecx, [ebp+StartupInfo.hStdError]
.text:00401050 mov     [ebp+StartupInfo.hStdOutput], ecx
.text:00401053 lea     edx, [ebp+hHandle]
.text:00401056 push    edx ; lpProcessInformation
.text:00401057 lea     eax, [ebp+StartupInfo]
.text:0040105A push    eax ; lpStartupInfo
.text:0040105D push    0 ; lpCurrentDirectory
.text:0040105F push    0 ; lpEnvironment
.text:00401061 push    0 ; dwCreationFlags
.text:00401063 push    1 ; bInheritHandles
.text:00401065 push    0 ; lpThreadAttributes
.text:00401067 push    0 ; lpProcessAttributes
.text:0040106C push    offset CommandLine ; "cmd"
.text:0040106E push    0 ; lpApplicationName
.text:00401074 call    ds:CreateProcessA

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795f093a536f118fb4c34fcedfa42165 + 795f\_driver.sys

1.

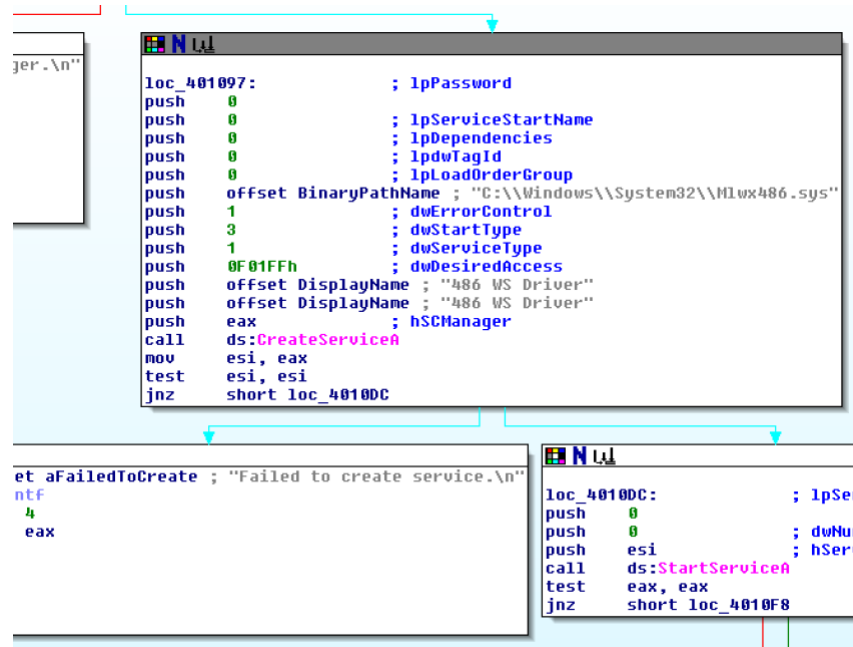
7:05:2...	795f093a536f1...	3444	RegCloseKey	SUCCESS	HKLM\System\CurrentControlSet\Control\Session Manager
7:05:2...	795f093a536f1...	3444	QueryNameInform...	BUFFER OVERFL...	Name: \D C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Desktop\Lab5\795f093a536f118fb4c34fcedfa42165 + 795f_driver.sys
7:05:2...	795f093a536f1...	3444	QueryNameInform...	SUCCESS	C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Desktop\Lab5\795f093a536f118fb4c34fcedfa42165 + 795f_driver.sys
7:05:2...	795f093a536f1...	3444	RegSetValue	SUCCESS	Type: REG_BINARY, Length: 80, Data: 45 AC F3 5B ... HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptography\RNG\Seed
7:05:2...	795f093a536f1...	3444	SetEndOfFileInfor...	SUCCESS	EndOfFile: 8,192 C:\WINDOWS\system32\config\software.LOG
7:05:2...	795f093a536f1...	3444	SetEndOfFileInfor...	SUCCESS	EndOfFile: 8,192 C:\WINDOWS\system32\config\software.LOG
7:05:2...	795f093a536f1...	3444	Thread Exit	SUCCESS	Thread ID: 3696, User Time: 0.0000000, Kernel Time: ...

When I monitored the execution using Procmon, I learned that there was only a single “RegSetValue” operation performed where the malware sets a value to ‘HKLM\SOFTWARE\Cryptography\RNG\Seed’

- We can start by setting breakpoint at the ControlService at address 0x401080. Just before this address we see that the malware pushes 1 to the stack. We find that this means “SERVICE\_CONTROL\_STOP”. This function is used to unload the driver. Next, we load the .sys file to Windbg, and set a breakpoint at the “DriverUnload” function at offset 0xf7c47486, we see that is being triggered when we restart the malware.
- The malware is used to load a driver that is used to make changes to the registry key and set values of the Windows XP firewall. It disables the firewall of the victim’s computer so that it cannot be turned back on and then unloads the driver file.

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1. The malware creates file C:\Windows\System32\Mlwx486.sys. This is shown below. It uses CreateFileA and WriteFile library functions to do this.



```
loc_401097:          ; lpPassword
push 0
push 0               ; lpServiceStartName
push 0               ; lpDependencies
push 0               ; lpdwTagId
push 0               ; lpLoadOrderGroup
push offset BinaryPathName ; "C:\Windows\System32\Mlwx486.sys"
push 1               ; dwErrorControl
push 3               ; dwStartType
push 1               ; dwServiceType
push 0F01FFh         ; dwDesiredAccess
push offset DisplayName ; "486 WS Driver"
push offset DisplayName ; "486 WS Driver"
push eax             ; hSCManager
call ds:CreateServiceA
mov esi, eax
test esi, esi
jnz short loc_4010DC

loc_4010DC:          ; lpSer
push 0
push 0               ; dwNum
push esi             ; hServ
call ds:StartServiceA
test eax, eax
jnz short loc_4010F8
```

2. There is a kernel component. The kernel is loaded using service name “486 WS Driver”.
3. The malware is a rootkit. It uses a SSDT hook to patch the file name stored in the file directory. This patch function overwrites the filenames that begin with “Mlwx”. This is done to hide the files.

**f72d773f13ceb6b842a9d29c56f8880f + f72d\_driver.sys**

1. This malware loads driver f72d\_driver.sys and then displays an advertisement to the user every 30 seconds on Internet Explorer. The driver is also used to hide the advertisement for 30 seconds.
2. The only way to stop the malware from running is by restarting the computer. If we do this the driver will not be loaded.
3. The driver unlinks a process from the process list by hiding it using the DeviceIoControl requests to modify the processes in the linked list.