

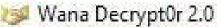
# Malware: Creation and Detection of basic malware

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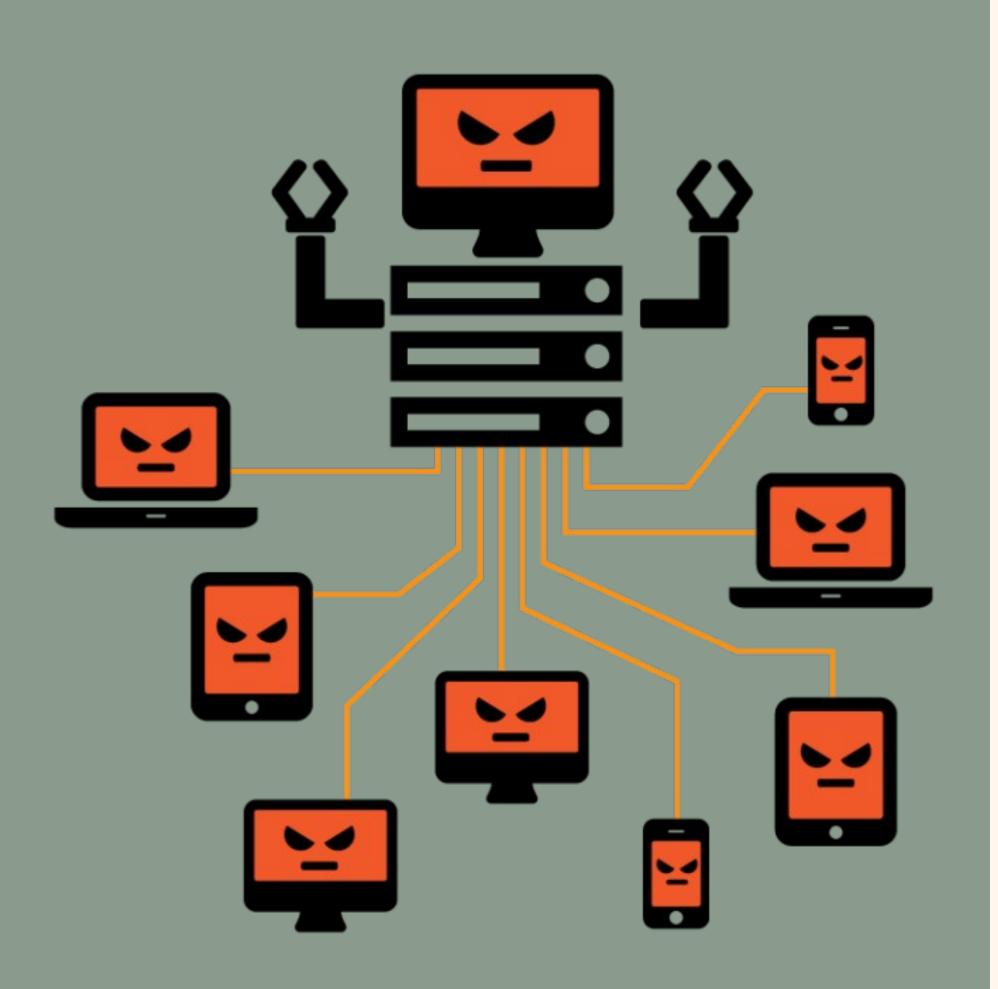
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## What is Malware?

Malware is any software that is designed to disrupt the normal operation of a computer system. That can be by stealing data, corrupting files, or even taking control of the system.

It includes viruses, worms, Trojans, ransomware, and spyware.

Malware can cause data loss, identity theft, and financial damage.



# Some common types of Malware

A botnet is a network of computers that are all infected with malicious software, and made to operate as a network.

A ransomware is a program that encrypts files in certain important directories, and then usually demands money (ransom) in order to decrypt it.

A rootkit is a piece of software that maliciously persists in a system, without the user's knowledge.

# MITRE

## An Aside: MITRE ATT&-CK

The MITRE ATT&CK Framework is a knowledge base of adversary tactics and techniques based on the real world.

Usually, it's used by Incident Response teams to easily report what malware has done in a succint and standardized manner.

But it can also be used by us to understand how malware do certain things.

### DEMO: MITRE Page



## Creating some basic malware

We require multiple steps to make malware.

Some Tactics that will be covered here:

- Execution
- Persistence
- Defense Evasion
- Discovery
- Command and Control
- Impact

### DEMO: Malware



#### Malware detection

We have created malware, which operates in two places, i.e. Endpoint and Network.

Obviously, we would love to figure out how to detect it in both places.



#### MITRE Tactics

Tactics used:

T1053.003 - Persistence (Scheduled Task/Job: Cron)

T1059.004 – Execution (Command and Scripting Interpreter: Unix Shell)

T1071.001 – Command and Control (Application Layer Protocol)

T1041 - Exfiltration (Exfiltration Over C2 Channel)

#### DEMO: Network Detection



# Detecting File changes

There are three APIs to do this on the kernel level:

- dnotify (old; deprecated)
- inotify (Linux v4.x)
- fanotify (Linux v5.x)
- We will be using fanotify as an example

## DEMO: fanotify program

# Process execve() Syscall Scheduler

#### eBPF

eBPF is the "new" (released in 2014), fancy technology that allows for developers (and security engineers) to get events directly from the kernel at nearly no cost and next to no kernel crashes.

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[ 1.076702] Kernel panic - not syncing: UFS: Unable to wount root fs or unkno-
wn-block(0,0)
[ 1.077718] CPU: 0 PID: 1 Comm: swapper/0 Not tainted 5.10.0-327.e17.x06_04 #
    1.0786571 Hardware name: UMware, Inc. UMware Virtual Platform/440BX Desktop
 Reference Platform, BIOS 6.00 07/31/2013
    1.0795941 fffffffff8184e928 000000001e6559f5 ffff880139387d60 ffffffff81635
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    1.0814461 ffff880139387d90 000000001e6559f5 000000001e6559f5 ffff880139387
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    1.0823711 Call Trace:
    1.082616] [<fffffffffff816351f1>] dump_stack+0x19/0x1b
    1.083005] [<ffffffffff8162ea6c>] panic+0xd8/0x1e7
    1.0833821 [<fffffffffff81a8d5fa>] mount_block_root+0x2a1/0x2b0
    1.0838261
               [<ffffffffffff81a8d65c>] mount_root+0x53/0x56
               [<ffffffffffff81a8d79b>] prepare_namespace+0x13c/0x174
    1.0842231
               [<fffffffffffff81a8d268>] kernel_init_freeable+0x1f0/0x217
    1.0846671
               1.0851251
               1.0855701
               1.0859611
    1.0873001
               [<fffffffffff81645858>] ret_from_fork+0x58/0x90
    1.0886601
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bpftrace Probe Types SPECIAL CONTROL OF STREET Static Tracing **Dynamic Tracing** tracepoint: sock ext4 sched cpu-cycles Operating System task instructions signal branch-\* uprobe: **Applications** timer frontend-\* uretprobe: workqueue backend-\* System Libraries usdt: System Call Interface CPU Interconnect Sockets **VFS** bus Scheduler 🗲 CPU kprobe: File Systems TCP/UDP kmem kretprobe: Volume Manager IP Virtual vmscan Memory writeback Memory A Block Device Interface Ethernet 4 Bus **Device Drivers DRAM** irq jbd2 net skb block scsi cache-\* profile: BEGIN software: page-faults cpu-clock interval: minor-faults cs migrations **END** major-faults **Timed Events** Special Events https://github.com/iovisor/bpftrace 2018

## DEMO: bpftrace showcase

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#### References

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