

An APT Trojans Detection Method for Cloud Computing Based on Memory Analysis and FCM

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Abstract—With memory information as characteristic, a classified method to detect APT (Advanced Persistent Threat) Trojans in cloud computing is proposed in this paper. Memory analysis and fuzzy C-means (FCM) algorithm based on the optimized initial cluster centers detects the similarity of the APT Trojans. Without influence normal operation of virtual machine in cloud, the classifier can determine whether it is malware or not. The method can overcome the shortage of feature scanning technology which could not recognize unknown Trojans, and could significantly improve the detection speed since it does not need to unpack, decrypt, and other complex operations. Experiment results show that the detection method has good accuracy, so there is a certain practical value.

Keywords- cloud computing; APT Trojans; memory analysis; FCM

I. INTRODUCTION

In recent years, cloud computing based on the development of virtualization technology and high-speed network is regarded as the important revolution of the development of the Internet era in the future. However, with the landing of the cloud computing, the security issues faced by people in the internet become more and more serious. Hackers could carry out professional APT(Advanced Persistent Threat) attacks for cloud computing in order to get the core confidential data. APT attack is a computer crime which is the information theft or destruction for country or major commercial interests. And they have caused real damage for cloud computing, such as the attack for Sony. APT Trojans are the important tools for these crimes. They could hide and spread themselves in cloud computing.

Generally, Trojans for APT attacks cannot spread widely, which means that they are still unknown for antivirus and intrusion detection system (IDS) products in cloud computing [1]. Using Zero-Day vulnerabilities or valid digital signatures, Trojans can easily escape from the detecting of security software [2]. The IDS has the capability of automatically detecting abnormal traffic in a specified network, but for some special Trojans, it is almost incapable. And APT Trojans usually have the mechanism to check the working of security software and evade the detection of security software. Furthermore, APT Trojans usually use

encryption, DLL hiding, http disguising techniques. So it is difficult for existing methods to detect unknown APT Trojans in cloud computing.

Memory forensics analysis is the forensic analysis of computer's memory dump. Its primary application is investigation of advanced computer attacks, which are stealthy enough to avoid leaving data on the computer's hard driver. Many researchers have developed techniques for extracting invalid information [3-4], such as registry command lines [5] and registry keys and values [6-8]. And with the development of memory forensics, it is possible to use this technique to detect Trojans [9].

In this paper we give a new APT Trojans detection method for cloud computing based on the memory analysis and fuzzy C-means (FCM). This method is following: firstly acquire the memory of cloud computing, then obtain the virtual machine memory by memory analysis; secondly analyze the virtual memory and select the important information of the running program as the feature, then cluster information through data mining and obtain the classifier for unknown Trojans; finally use the classifier to detect the unknown program to determine whether it is malware.

The rest of this paper is organized as follows. Section 2 presents our APT Trojans detection method in cloud computing based on the memory analysis and FCM. Section 3 shows empirical results of our method on some datasets. Finally, Section 4 presents our conclusions.

II. DETECTION BASED ON MEMORY ANALYSIS AND FCM

At present, VMware, XEN and KVM are the more popular virtual machine platform. Based on the platform all kinds of cloud environment can be built. The key of the APT Trojans detection in cloud computing is the Trojans detection of virtual machine in cloud computing. Here, we take the KVM virtual machine platform as an example to introduce our Trojans detection method. This method can also be applied to other mainstream virtual machine platform under necessary adjustment. The structure of detection method is shown in Figure 1. The method is composed of three parts: memory analysis, construction of classifier, and Trojan detection. The principle is following: Memory analysis modular is used to analyze the memory image from the cloud and obtain the training set for the Trojans detection;

Construction of classifier modular is used to extract feature information from the training set and store the data in the database, and it could use the FCM algorithm to cluster analysis for the feature of the training set; the Trojan detection modular is used to classify the unknown programs and determine whether it is the malware.

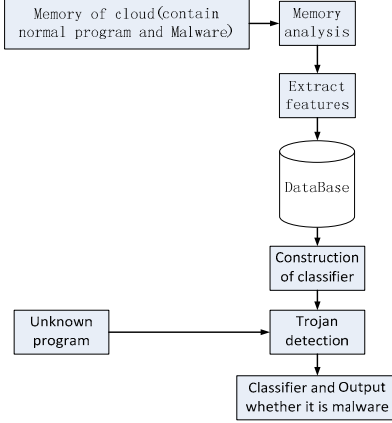


Figure 1. Structure of detection model

A. Memory analysis of KVM

The whole framework of memory analysis in a KVM environment is consisted by five phases: host machine information capture, virtual machine detection, VMCS data structure validation, virtual machine memory acquisition and virtual machine memory analysis. In [10], the first step to the fourth step has been given. Here, we mainly focus on the extraction of information in virtual machine. Taking the windows system for example, we present the processes of extracting prerequisite factors from the memory image, such as: process information, DLL loading information for each process, the API for each process, and so on.

Firstly we give the method for extracting the process information. Extraction of process information is based on the analysis method of KPCR structure. It could be divided into the following steps: 1) Acquisition of KPCR structure; 2) Acquisition the address of CR3 register; 3) Address translation; 4) search of kernel variable. After memory mapping technology, the base address of system process is obtained and the KPROCESS structure of each process is mapped. The running process can be obtained by traversing the double-linked list.

Offset (P)	Name	PID	FFID	PDB	Time created	Time exited
0	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	2260	1492	0x24640000	2015-06-12 01:25:02 UTC+0000	
1	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	1820	154	0x24640000	2015-05-29 13:45:12	2015-05-29 13:45:12
2	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	1532	384	0x24640000	2015-06-01 00:36:40	2015-06-01 00:36:41
3	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	3072	204	0x24640000	2015-05-29 13:44:22	2015-05-29 13:44:22
4	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	2032	312	0x24640000	2015-06-04 09:14:21	2015-06-10 07:13:16
5	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	4020	2240	0x24640000	2015-06-12 01:30:12	2015-06-10 07:13:18
6	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	2244	384	0x24640000	2015-06-10 07:13:02	2015-06-10 07:13:02
7	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	3876	196	0x00148000	2015-05-29 13:43:34	2015-05-29 13:43:38
8	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	224	154	0x24640000	2015-06-01 00:36:40	
9	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	2184	724	0x24640000	2015-05-29 13:42:02	2015-05-29 13:42:02
10	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	460	460	0x15f90000	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38
11	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	1336	724	0x24640000	2015-05-27 14:10:12	2015-05-27 14:10:12
12	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	3708	2388	0x00600000	2015-05-29 13:42:02	2015-05-29 13:42:02
13	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	648	880	0x14f50000	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38
14	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	3888	2240	0x00f50000	2015-06-12 01:25:02	2015-06-12 01:25:02
15	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	1208	724	0x176a0000	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38
16	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	368	1744	0x24780000	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38
17	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	1440	724	0x15620000	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38
18	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	1492	1468	0x18850000	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38
19	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	1124	724	0x17540000	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38
20	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	904	724	0x16870000	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38
21	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	204	1492	0x1a840000	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38
22	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	2348	724	0x04710000	2015-05-29 13:42:02	2015-05-29 13:42:02
23	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	152	1492	0x1a0b0000	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38
24	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	880	4	0x13980000	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38
25	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	620	724	0x28980000	2015-05-27 14:10:12	2015-05-27 14:10:12
26	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	480	880	0x13860000	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38
27	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	804	0x24240000	2015-05-27 14:10:12	2015-05-27 14:10:12	2015-05-29 13:42:15
28	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	1272	724	0x1a180000	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38
29	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	936	724	0x160c0000	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38
30	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	212	724	0x24780000	2015-05-27 14:10:12	2015-05-27 14:10:12
31	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	1812	0x1a0b0000	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38
32	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	736	680	0x15f90000	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38
33	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	1028	0x176a0000	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38	2015-05-27 14:09:38
34	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	384	1492	0x00b00000	2015-06-01 00:36:37	2015-06-01 00:36:37
35	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	1282	724	0x18a70000	2015-05-27 14:10:12	2015-05-27 14:10:12
36	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	504	724	0x24020000	2015-05-27 14:10:12	2015-05-27 14:10:12
37	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	2388	724	0x03130000	2015-05-29 13:42:02	2015-05-29 13:42:02
38	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	2700	460	0x04870000	2015-06-12 01:25:02	2015-06-12 01:25:02
39	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	440	936	0x28370000	2015-05-27 14:10:12	2015-05-27 14:10:12
40	0x00000000002815d0 WinWord.exe	4	0	0x00030000		

Figure 2. Process information of system

Secondly we give the method for extracting the DLL loading information for process. Normally, when the LoadLibrary function is called by the process, DLLs are automatically loaded to the double-linked list consisting of LDR_DATA_TABLE_ENTRY. So DLL loading information for each process could be obtained by traversing the double-linked list pointed by PEB's InLoadOrderModuleList. The steps are as following:

- Find the address of EPROCESS structure for the process in the memory;
- acquire the corresponding PEB structure through EPROCESS;
- find the `_PEB_LDR_DATA` through the PEB;
- find the list header `LIST_ENTRY` loading the DLLs in the `_PEB_LDR_DATA`;
- obtain the loading DLL through traversing the `LDR_DATA_TABLE_ENTRY` structure in `LIST_ENTRY`.

Base	Size	LoadCount	Path
0x7c900000	0x930000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\ntdll.dll
0x7c800000	0x13e0000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\kernel32.dll
0x77da0000	0xa90000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\ADVAPI32.dll
0x77e50000	0x930000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\RPCRT4.dll
0x77f00000	0x130000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\USER32.dll
0x774e0000	0xa70000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\LSASRV.dll
0x77a90000	0xa12000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\USER32.dll
0x77d10000	0x930000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\GDI32.dll
0x77e00000	0x490000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\SHELL32.dll
0x776b0000	0x120000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\ole32.dll
0x777b0000	0x580000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\oleaut32.dll
0x5edd0000	0x550000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\NETAPI32.dll
0x77700000	0x610000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\RPCRT4.dll
0x77e00000	0x270000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\DNSAPI.dll
0x77a20000	0x170000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\WS2_32.dll
0x77a10000	0x810000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\SHLWAPI.dll
0x77e30000	0x2c0000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\WLDAP32.dll
0x77b70000	0x130000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\SHELL32.dll
0x77a30000	0x680000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\ole32.dll
0x77670000	0xc00000	0xffff	C:\WINDOWS\system32\CRYPTBASE.dll
0x5c0c0000	0x2c0000	0x1	C:\WINDOWS\system32\ShimEng.dll
0x585f0000	0x1c0000	0x1	C:\WINDOWS\system32\AcGenral.dll
0x77eb0000	0x2a0000	0x2	C:\WINDOWS\system32\WINMM.dll
0x77690000	0x13e0000	0x1	C:\WINDOWS\system32\ole32.dll
0x777b0000	0x8b0000	0x2	C:\WINDOWS\system32\OLEAUT32.dll
0x777b0000	0x150000	0x1	C:\WINDOWS\system32\MSACM32.dll
0x777b0000	0x80000	0x1	C:\WINDOWS\system32\VERSION.dll
0x77590000	0x7f4000	0x2	C:\WINDOWS\system32\SHELL32.dll
0x777f4000	0x760000	0x4	C:\WINDOWS\system32\SHLWAPI.dll
0x77590000	0xa00000	0x2	C:\WINDOWS\system32\USER32.dll
0x5a4e0000	0x370000	0x3	C:\WINDOWS\system32\UxTheme.dll
0x76300000	0x140000	0x2	C:\WINDOWS\system32\IMM32.DLL
0x62c00000	0x890000	0x1	C:\WINDOWS\system32\LPK.DLL
0x773fa000	0x6b0000	0x1	C:\WINDOWS\system32\USP10.dll
0x5d170000	0x9a0000	0x1	C:\WINDOWS\system32\comctl32.dll
0x4d200000	0xe0000	0x1	C:\WINDOWS\system32\ole32.dll
0x77c40000	0x4c0000	0x2	C:\WINDOWS\system32\kerberos.dll
0x776d3000	0x250000	0x3	C:\WINDOWS\system32\iphlpapi.dll
0x77670000	0x290000	0x7	C:\WINDOWS\system32\schannel.dll
0x765e0000	0x950000	0x1	C:\WINDOWS\system32\CRYPT32.dll
0x742e0000	0xf0000	0x1	C:\WINDOWS\system32\wdigest.dll
0x68000000	0x360000	0x1	C:\WINDOWS\system32\rsaenh.dll

Figure 3. DLL information of some process

Thirdly we give the method for extracting the API for process. The API loaded by the process can be obtained by the analysis of PE file. However the packing and encrypting technologies are used by Trojans to avoid static analysis. Since these, we use the way that obtain the assembly code of loaded process in the memory to deal with these difficulties. The steps are following: a) acquire the assembly code of

process in the memory; b) analyze the code to find the address of import function table; c) obtain the API of process through the structure of table.

API	Process	Address
AssocQueryKeyW	Explorer.EXE	0x010048A2
PathFindFileNameW	Explorer.EXE	0x01005D6F
AssocQueryStringW	Explorer.EXE	0x01021C87
PathParseIconLocationW	Explorer.EXE	0x010236D9
SHRegGetValueW	Explorer.EXE	0x0100655B
StrDupW	Explorer.EXE	0x01008C88
SHRegDuplicateHKey	Explorer.EXE	0x010094CD
AssocCreate	Explorer.EXE	0x01009A2F
StrRChrW	Explorer.EXE	0x01009A3B
StrToIntW	Explorer.EXE	0x01021C87
PathUnquoteSpacesW	Explorer.EXE	0x010236D9

Figure 4. API information of some process

Similarly, we can also obtain the registry information and system path information of process from the memory which would not be shown here.

B. APT Trojans classifier based on FCM

First we will give the feature extracting method of APT Trojans. Similar to most normal program, Trojans also need to call the interface and API to carry on a variety of operations. But they usually call some special API which is few called by normal program to destroy. The special operations include: read or write the specific registry key, information hide, encryption of communication, modify the critical path of the system, inject the hook into the process of the system, and so on. So the detection whether these special APIs are included in the process can be regarded as the features of APT Trojans. Of course since these APIs also are called by the normal programs, it would be low accuracy that only uses APIs to detect the APT Trojans. Compared with the data, the same type of Trojan has a certain similarity in function. Although they often use the technologies of packing and encrypting to hide themselves, the process of the API call for special function is often similar. If an unknown program is similar to the information in the feature database in DLL information, registry information, API information, and system path, it may be a variant of malware.

Above all, we would extract the below information as the feature: called DLL file name and number, called special API function name and number, special register information and system path in process memory. Part of the feature vector is shown in TABLE I.

Category	Feature
DLL	Kernel32.dll, User32.dll, Shell32.dll, Advapi32.dll, GDI.dll, Imm32.dll, Ole32.dll, Msvert.dll, Comdlg32.dll, Oleaut32.dll, Setupapi.dll, Urlmoon.dll
API	Accept, AdjustTokenPrivileges, AttachThreadInput, bind, BitBlt, CallNextHookEx, CerOpenSystemStore, CheckRemoteDebuggerPresent, connect, ConnectNamedPipe, ControlService, CrypyAcquireContext, EnumProcess, FindResource, GetKeyState

Key registry information	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run, HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run, HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows NT\CurrentVersion\Winlogon\Shell, HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows NT\CurrentVersion\Windows\Init DLLs
System path	C:\windows\system32, C:\windows\system32\drivers, C:\windows\system32\dlcache, C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Application Data

TABLE I. FEATURES OF SAMPLES

Then we would give the method of constructing the classifier. In this paper, define the sample set $U=\{U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n\}$, the vector of each sample is $U_i=\{x_{i1}, x_{i2}, \dots, x_{im}\} (i=1, 2, \dots, n)$, where x_{im} is the m^{th} feature of sample i . We will use the FCM to classify the sample set. The FCM clustering algorithm was first introduced by Dunn [11] and later was extended by Bezdek [12]. The algorithm is an iterative clustering method that produces an optimal c partition by minimizing the weighted within group sum of squared error objective function J_{FCM}

$$J_{FCM} = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^c (y_{ik})^p d^2(u_k, v_i),$$

where $y_{ik} \in [0, 1]$, c is the number of clusters with $2 \leq c \leq n$, y_{ik} is the degree of membership of u_k in the i^{th} cluster, p is a weighting exponent on each fuzzy membership, v_i is the prototype of the centre of cluster i , $d^2(u_k, v_i)$ is a distance measure between object u_k and cluster centre v_i . The solution of the object function J_{FCM} can be obtained via an iterative process, which is carried out as follows:

- Set values for c , p , and ϵ ;
- Initialize the fuzzy partition matrix $Y=[Y_{ik}]$;
- Set the loop counter $b=0$;
- Calculate the c cluster centers $\{v_i^{(b)}\}$ with $Y^{(b)}$:

$$v_i^{(b)} = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^n (y_{ik}^{(b)})^p u_k}{\sum_{k=1}^n (y_{ik}^{(b)})^p};$$

- Calculate the membership $Y^{(b+1)}$. For $k=1$ to n , calculate the following: $I_k=\{i | 1 \leq i \leq c, d_{ik}=\|u_k - v_i\|=0\}$; for the k^{th} column of the matrix, compute new membership values:

$$\text{if } I_k = \Phi, \text{ then } y_{ik}^{(b+1)} = \frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^c \left(\frac{d_{ik}}{d_{jk}}\right)^{\frac{2}{p-1}}};$$

else $y_{ik}^{(b+1)} = 0$ for all $i \notin I_k$ and $\sum_{i \in I_k} y_{ik}^{(b+1)} = 1$; next

k.

- f) If $\|y^{(b)} - y^{(b+1)}\| < \varepsilon$, stop; otherwise, set $b=b+1$ and go to step d).

Although FCM algorithm has good clustering effect, the deficiency of this algorithm is sensitive to its initial values. In most cases, it is easy to the local optimum for some initial values. So we need to improve the FCM algorithm to avoid this case. We give the following method. The principle is to choose the initial clustering center to make the distance between the initial clustering centers more than the set threshold. Then the algorithm would solve the clustering problem in several feasible regions. It could avoid the case that the algorithm is convergence to local optimum. The choice of initial center is as following:

- compute the distance between any two samples and generate the distance matrix D. Set the nearest two samples to one class and take the midpoint of the two samples as the first clustering center.
- select the distance threshold a. Use the distance matrix D to find all of the samples whose distance to the first category is greater than a. Set the nearest two samples to one class and take the midpoint of the two samples as the second clustering center.
- similarly find all the samples whose distance to the found samples is greater than a. Set the nearest two samples to one class and take the midpoint of the two samples as the clustering center.
- repeat c) until C class is found.

The above algorithm can make the clustering center to reasonably distribute in the sample space. It can avoid the excessive concentration and effectively improve independence of the classifications. It could help the FCM to achieve the global clustering effect.

C. Detection of unknown APT Trojans

By clustering the training set, C clustering center is obtained. Let's give the definition for sample similarity. The similarity of U_i, U_j is:

$$D_{U_i U_j} = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^m \frac{|x_{ik} - x_{jk}|}{\max(x_{ik}, x_{jk})}}{n}$$

When the similarity of two samples is high, the value of D is near to 1; conversely it is near to 0.

The system could compute the similarity between each detected sample and the clustering center. If the similarity reaches a certain threshold, we could think it belongs to a class and we can know whether it is malware. If the sample is not match to all the clustering, it will be a new clustering center and marked as a failure identification class stored in feature base. For all the unknown class, the system could determine whether it is the Trojan combined with their behavior characteristics, and decide to remain it in the feature base or remove it. In order to maintain the timeliness of the information in the feature base and reduce time consumption, the system need to periodically delete entries in database that the number of clusters is few and no new features for a long time.

III. EXPERIMENT

We would carry on the test on the build inspur server. The server configuration is as following: CPU models: Xeon E5-2620 GHZ 2GHZ*6; Memory capacity: 8G DDR3*2; The host operating system: Fedora 16(3.6.11-4.Fc16.X86_64), KVM virtual machine (qemu-KVM-0.15.1); Install the virtual machine operating system: Windows XP SP3 32-bit, Windows 7 64-bit. There are 200 samples for experiments, which are divided into normal programs and malicious programs. The distribution is shown in TABLE II. The normal programs are selected from the new virtual machine with windows XP or windows 7 in KVM platform. The malicious programs are collected from internet, including Trojans, backdoor procedures, etc.

	Sample set	Training set	Testing set
Normal program	100	80	20
Malicious program	100	80	20
total	200	160	40

TABLE II. EXPERIMENTAL SAMPLE DATA

The main purpose of the experiment is to verify the classification and recognition of the unknown Trojans and other malicious programs in the virtual machine of the cloud platform. There are four results for the detection, including: 1) the normal program is considered as normal, recorded as NY; 2) the normal program is considered as malicious, recorded as NN; 3) the malicious program is considered as normal, recorded as MY; 4) the malicious program is considered as malicious, recorded as MN. The variable H1 is the probability of correct classification for test sample; the variable H2 is the probability that the normal program is considered as malicious. The formula is as following:

$$H_1 = \frac{NY + MN}{NY + NN + MY + MN}$$

$$H_2 = \frac{NN}{NY + NN + MY + MN}$$

The results of the experiment are as following:

category	number	H1	H2
Normal program	20	92.9%	3.7%
Malicious program	20	90.1%	4.7%

TABLE III. RESULT OF CLASSIFIER DETECTION

In TABLE III, we can see that the detection method in this paper has high accuracy and low false rate. So it can have good effect in practice.

IV. CONCLUSION

In this paper, a new detection method for APT Trojans in cloud is present. The method has high accuracy and low false rate for Trojans detection. It could obtain the program

information by analyzing the memory of the cloud platform and use the improve FCM algorithm to detect and identify the APT Trojans in cloud. The memory analysis method could extract the DLL information, API information, registry information, system path of system without affecting the virtual machine users. It could effectively deal with the difficulties that packing and encrypting technology challenge to detect. The improved FCM algorithm instead of the traditional feature code are used to classify and detect for the program, which could effectively find unknown Trojan. The method could be used to detect the implanted APT Trojans and reduce their damage and unnecessary losses. It would be a good solution for cloud security.

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