reverse engineering wannacry ransomware report

note: this is my first malware analysis report so it's may not be the best

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malware Composition

sha-256 hash: 24d004a104d4d54034dbcffc2a4b19a11f39008a575aa614ea04703480b1022c

The WannaCry ransomware attack was a global epidemic that took place in May 2017. This ransomware attack spread through computers operating Microsoft Windows. User's files were held hostage, and a Bitcoin ransom was demanded for their return. Were it not for the continued use of outdated computer systems and poor education around the need to update software, the damage caused by this attack could have been avoided.

wannacry was written in c++

Entrypoint:					
and yponic.	000077BA	EP Sec	ction:	.text	
File Offset:	0000 <i>77</i> BA	First B	ytes:	55,8B,EC,6	iΑ
Linker Info:	5.0	Subsy	stem:	Win32 GUI	

malware Composition

file name	sha256
wannacry.exe	24d004a104d4d54034dbcffc2a4b19a11f39008a57 5aa614ea04703480b1022c
tasksche.exe	ed01ebfbc9eb5bbea545af4d01bf5f107166184 0480439c6e5babe8e080e41aa
taskhsvc.exe	e48673680746fbe027e8982f62a83c298d6fb46ad9 243de8e79b7e5a24dcd4eb

static analysis

InternetCloseHandle InternetOpenUrlA InternetOpenA

basic static analysis

http://www.iuqerfsodp9ifjaposdfjhgosurijfaewrwergwea.com

i extracted the strings from floss with the command

```
floss wannacry.exe > output.txt
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- 1.tasksche.exe file creation and putting attrib +h which is turning the folder hidden.
- 2.grant everyone which gives full permissions to all users
- 3. internet api's for communication with the URL

```
cmd.exe /c "%s"

233 115p7UMMngoj1pMvkpHijcRdfJNXj6LrLn

234 12t9YDPgwueZ9NyMgw519p7AA8isj¥6SMw

235 13AM4VW2dhxYgXeQepoHkHSQuy6NgaEb94

236 Global\MsWinZonesCacheCounterMutexA

237 tasksche.exe

238 TaskStart

239 t.wnry

240 icacls ./grant Everyone:F /T /C /Q

241 attrib +h .

242 WNcry@2o17
```

network analysis

wireshark analysis with inetsim on the ransomware is trying to connect the host

1 0.000000	192.168.169.128	192.168.169.1	TCP	74 34046 → 53 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=64240 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM TSval=2635451660 TSecr=0 WS=128
2 2.942620	192.168.169.128	192.168.169.1	TCP	74 34048 → 53 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=64240 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM TSval=2635454603 TSecr=0 WS=128
3 3.968053	192.168.169.128	192.168.169.1	TCP	74 [TCP Retransmission] 34048 → 53 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=64240 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM TSval=2635455629 TSecr=0 WS=128
4 4.208839	192.168.169.132	192.168.169.128	DNS	109 Standard query 0x3a04 A www.iuqerfsodp9ifjaposdfjhgosurijfaewrwergwea.com
5 4.214195	192.168.169.128	192.168.169.132	DNS	125 Standard query response 0x3a04 A www.iuqerfsodp9ifjaposdfjhgosurijfaewrwergwea.com A 192.168.169.128
6 4.222201	192.168.169.132	192.168.169.128	TCP	66 50683 → 80 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=65535 Len=0 MSS=1460 WS=256 SACK_PERM
7 4.222354	192.168.169.128	192.168.169.132	TCP	66 80 → 50683 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=64240 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM WS=128
8 4.222443	192.168.169.132	192.168.169.128	TCP	54 50683 → 80 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=262144 Len=0
9 4.222591	192.168.169.132	192.168.169.128	HTTP	154 GET / HTTP/1.1 .

TaskData	1/22/2024 7:39 PM	File folder	
000000000.eky	1/22/2024 7:39 PM	EKY File	0 KB
00000000.pky	1/22/2024 7:39 PM	PKY File	1 KB
00000000.res	1/22/2024 7:39 PM	Compiled Resourc	1 KB
b.wnry	5/11/2017 9:13 PM	WNRY File	1,407 KB
c.wnry	1/22/2024 7:39 PM	WNRY File	1 KB
r.wnry	5/11/2017 4:59 PM	WNRY File	1 KB
s.wnry	5/9/2017 5:58 PM	WNRY File	2,968 KB
t.wnry	5/12/2017 3:22 AM	WNRY File	65 KB
taskdl.exe	5/12/2017 3:22 AM	Application	20 KB
tasksche.exe	1/22/2024 7:39 PM	Application	3,432 KB
taskse.exe	5/12/2017 3:22 AM	Application	20 KB
u.wnry	5/12/2017 3:22 AM	WNRY File	240 KB

File folder

1/22/2024 7:39 PM

msg

i found that the tasksche.exe file got created in C:\ProgramData\tmfhzntcod829

as a hidden folder along with
all the malware data
but the files are protected with a
password previously when i extracted the strings
from the malware we can see a strange string
"WNcry@2oI7" and this is looks like a password i tried
and it worked

file	sha-256
b.wnry - wannacry famous system wallpaper	d5e0e8694ddc0548d8e6b87c83d50f4ab85c1deba db106d6a6a794c3e746f4fa
c.wnry - list of the TOR domains	055c7760512c98c8d51e4427227fe2a7ea3b34ee6 3178fe78631fa8aa6d15622
f.wnry - contains the free decrypted files paths	8b6836c460abdda113f788b4e5005ee6e264e4c7f cc7a93f55bd78437f018872
r.wnry - Q&A text about the malware	402751fa49e0cb68fe052cb3db87b05e71c1d9509 84d339940cf6b29409f2a7c
s.wnry - contains the TOR browser data	e18fdd912dfe5b45776e68d578c3af3547886cf135 3d7086c8bee037436dff4b
t.wnry - encrypted file	97ebce49b14c46bebc9ec2448d00e1e397123b25 6e2be9eba5140688e7bc0ae6
taskdl.exe - delete system files and encrypts them	4a468603fdcb7a2eb5770705898cf9ef37aade532 a7964642ecd705a74794b79
taskse.exe - getting system privileges for the malware	2ca2d550e603d74dedda03156023135b38da3630 cb014e3d00b1263358c5f00d
u.wnry - @wanaDecrypt@r files	b9c5d4339809e0ad9a00d4d3dd26fdf44a32819a5 4abf846bb9b560d81391c25

b.wnry

When i opened this file we could see that it's file signature in BM6 which is an image so i changed the file extension from wnry to jpg and boom we could see the image now

Ouick access

Documents Pictures

Desktop Downloads

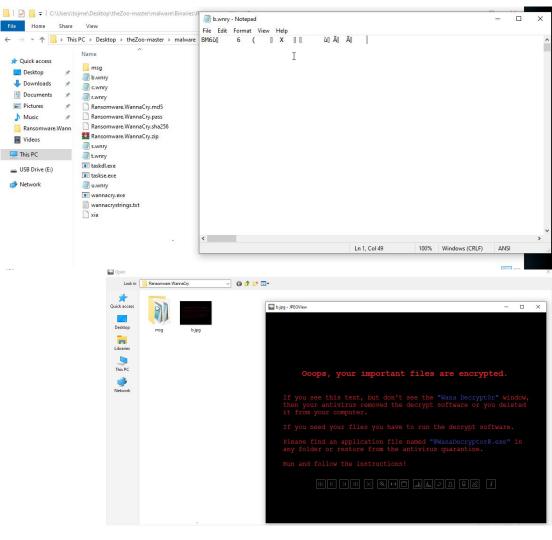
Music

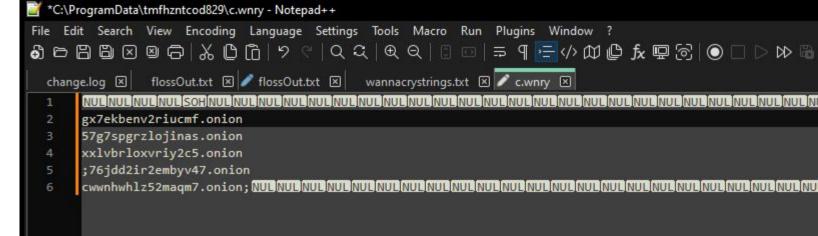
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JUSB Drive (E:)

This PC

Network





when i opened this text file i saw the onion domain urls of the malware

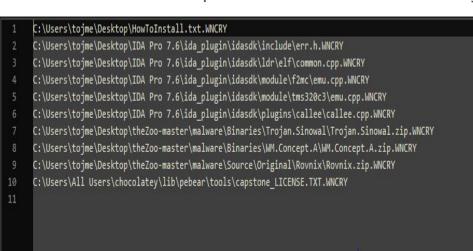
- 1. gx7ekbenv2riucmf.oniongx7ekbenv2riucmf.onion
- 2. 57g7spgrzlojinas.onion

c.wnry

- 3. xxlvbrloxvriy2c5.onion
- 4. 76jdd2ir2embyv47.onion
- 5. cwwnhwh1z52maqm7.onion

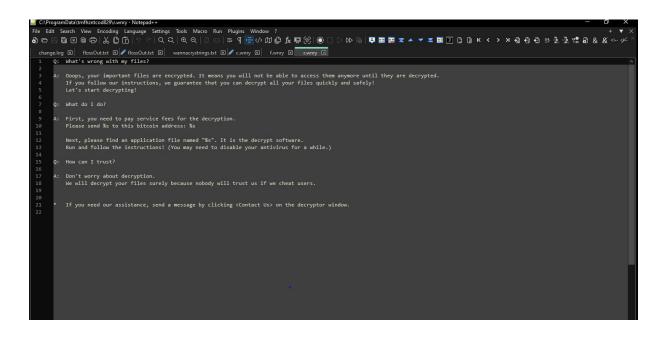
f.wnry

when were on the ransom window
we can see the decrypt file
which is decrypting some of the files for free
and all of the files paths are written into the f.wnry





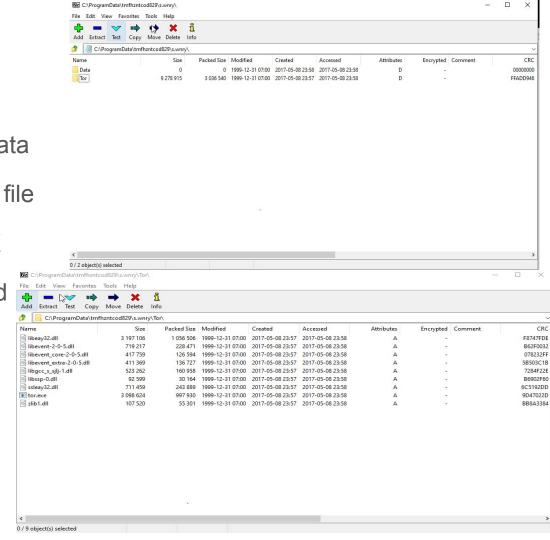
r.wnry



I don't have much to explain but this is just the Q&A about the malware

s.wnry

when opening the ascii view of the file at the file signature we can see PK which is a zip file so i opened it and i found this



```
taskdl.exe reversing
                                                                                undefined4 uStack 4;
                                                                                DVarl = GetLogicalDrives();
                                                                                 iVar3 = 0x19:
we can see that the exe trying to get the
                                                                                 do {
                                                                                  uStack 4 = DAT 00403064;
logical drivers of the machine and it's
                                                                                  uStack 8 = CONCAT22((short)((uint)DAT 00403060 >> 0x10),(short)iVa
                                                                                  if ((DVar1 >> ((byte)iVar3 & 0x1f) & 1) != 0) {
                                                                                    UVar2 = GetDriveTypeW((LPCWSTR)&uStack 8);
type(hard drive, usb, ram disk, or network drive)
                                                                                    if (UVar2 != 4) {
                                                                                      FUN 00401080(iVar3);
let's continue and get into FUN 00401080
                                                                                      Sleep(10);
first when i opened it i could see swprint with u.wnry inside of it
                                                                               swprintf(local_66c,0x403034,local_464,local_25c + 0x2c);
                                                                               std::basic_string<>::_Tidy(abStack_67c,false);
                                                                               sVar3 = wcslen(local_66c);
and u.wnry includes the encryptor fles
                                                                               bVar2 = std::basic string<>:: Grow(abStack 67c, sVar3, true);
                                                                                 FUN_00401330 (puStack_678, local_66c, sVar3);
                                                                                 std::basic string<>:: Eos(abStack 67c,sVar3);
inside we can find a lot of api's especially FindNextFileW
```

swprintf(local_66c, 0x403040, local_464, u_.WNCRYT_00403050);

and DeleteFileW so we can assume that this exe deletes the files

from the computer and encrypts them

DWORD DVarl: UINT UVar2:

undefined4 uStack 8;

local 4. 0 1 = 1;

} while (BVar4 != 0); FindClose (hFindFile);

if (BVar4 != 0) {

); uVar8 = uVar8 + 1) {

local_690 = local_690 + 1;

for (uVar8 = 0;

local_4 = (uint)local_4._1_3_ << 8;

lpFileName = (LPCWSTR)_C_exref; BVar4 = DeleteFileW(lpFileName);

std::basic string<>:: Tidy(abStack 67c, true);

lpFileName = *(LPCWSTR *)(local_688 + iVar6 + 4);

FUN 004013d0(local 68c, local 684, (basic string<> *)0x1, abStack

BVar4 = FindNextFileW(hFindFile, (LPWIN32 FIND DATAW) local 25c)

(pbVarl = local_684, pbVar5 = local_688, pbVar7 = local_688, local_688 != (basic_string<> *)0x0 && (uVar8 < (uint)((int))

if (*(LPCWSTR *)(local_688 + iVar6 + 4) == (LPCWSTR)0x0) {

int iVar3;

taskse.exe

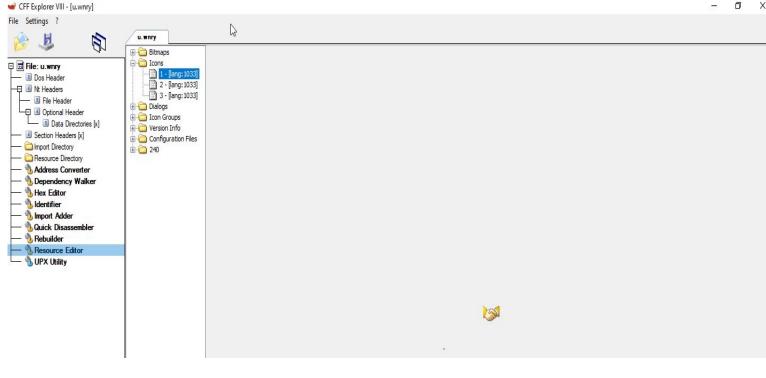
We can see from all of the api's going in there that the exe trying to get admin privileges by adjusting the admin token duplicate it and create another process with the same settings as admin

```
{
  int *piVarl;
  uint uVar2;

  piVarl = (int *) _ p _ argc();
  if (*piVarl < 2) {
    return 0;
  }
  _ p _ argv();
  uVar2 = FUN_00401420();
  return uVar2;
}</pre>
```

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if ((pHVarl != (HMODULE) 0x0) ||
  (pHVarl = LoadLibraryA(s advapi32.dll 00403150), pHVarl != (HMODULE)0x0)) {
 local_44 = GetProcAddress(pHVarl,s_OpenProcessToken_0040313c);
 local_88 = GetProcAddress(pHVar1,s_LookupPrivilegeValueA_00403124);
 local 6c = GetProcAddress(pHVarl,s AdjustTokenPrivileges 0040310c);
 local 64 = GetProcAddress(pHVarl,s DuplicateTokenEx 004030f8);
 local 58 = GetProcAddress(pHVarl,s CreateProcessAsUserA 004030e0);
 if (((local_44 != (FARPROC)0x0) &&
     ((((local 88 != (FARPROC) 0x0 && (local 6c != (FARPROC) 0x0)) && (local 64 != (FARPROC)
      && (local 58 != (FARPROC) 0x0)))) &&
    ((pHVarl = GetModuleHandleA(s kernel32.dll 004030d0), pHVarl != (HMODULE)0x0 ||
     (pHVarl = LoadLibraryA(s kernel32.dll 004030d0), pHVarl != (HMODULE)0x0)))) {
   local_60 = GetProcAddress(pHVar1,s_WTSGetActiveConsoleSessionId_004030b0);
   local 5c = GetProcAddress(pHVarl,s GetCurrentProcess 0040309c);
   local 38 = GetProcAddress(pHVarl,s CloseHandle 00403090);
   if ((local 60 != (FARPROC) 0x0) &&
      (((local_5c != (FARPROC) 0x0 && (local_38 != (FARPROC) 0x0)) &&
       ((pHVarl = GetModuleHandleA(s_userenv.dll_00403084), pHVarl != (HMODULE)0x0 ||
        (pHVarl = LoadLibraryA(s_userenv.dll_00403084), pHVarl != (HMODULE)0x0))))))
     local_7c = GetProcAddress(pHVarl,s_CreateEnvironmentBlock_0040306c);
     local 70 = GetProcAddress(pHVarl,s DestroyEnvironmentBlock 00403054);
     if ((((local 7c != (FARPROC) 0x0) && (local 70 != (FARPROC) 0x0)) &&
         ((pHVar1 = GetModuleHandleA(s wtsapi32.dll 00403044), pHVar1 != (HMODULE)0x0 ||
          (pHVarl = LoadLibraryA(s wtsapi32.dll 00403044), pHVarl != (HMODULE)0x0)))) &&
        (pFVar2 = GetProcAddress(pHVar1,s_WTSQueryUserToken_00403030), pFVar2 != (FARPROC)
       local 8 = 0;
       iVar3 = (*local 5c) (0x28, &local 3c);
       iVar3 = (*local 44)(iVar3);
```

u.wnry



when i opened the file on cff explorer and went to the Resource Editor when i opened the icon folder i saw immediately the @wanacryptor@.exe and if we explore more we can see its files

x64dbg

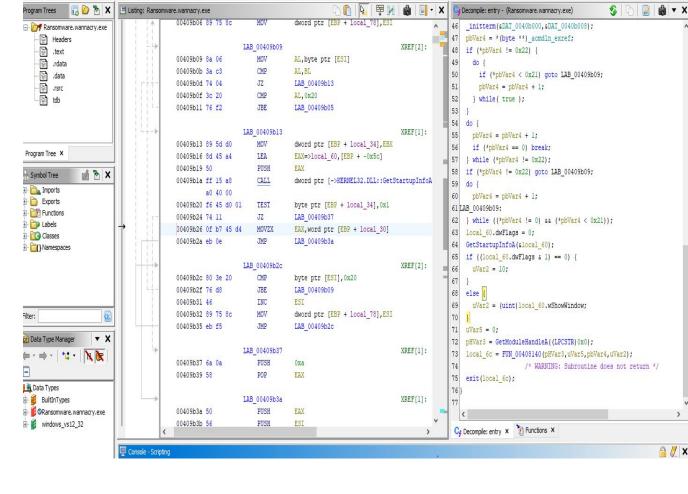
while debugging i found the 3 bitcoin address of the ransomware and it is in randomize order everytime you open the virus

- https://blockchain.info/address/115p7UMMngoj1pMvkpHijcRdfJNXj6LrLn
- https://blockchain.info/address/12t9YDPgwueZ9NyMgw519p7AA8isjr6SMw
- https://blockchain.info/address/13AM4VW2dhxYgXeQepoHkHSQuy6NgaEb94



ghidra debugging

ghidra analysis when
opening the binary
we can see a lot of code
especially at the buttom
we can see stuff going on
local_6c

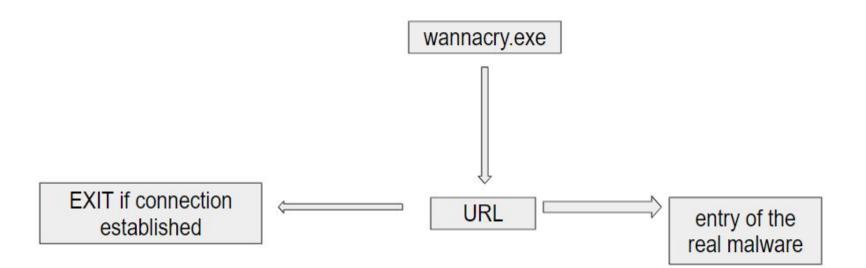


FUN 00408140

here in the debugging we could see that
if iVar2 = 0 the malware continues to run
and if not the malware stops and exits
so that means that if the malware succeed
to connect the url the malware stops and
exists if
not it's starting to spread and encrypt files

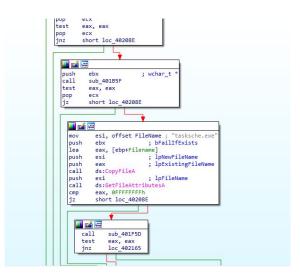
The killswitch url can be found at the top

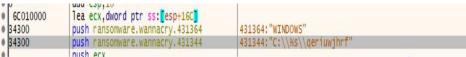
```
puVar3 = (undefined4 *)s http://www.iuqerfsodp9ifjaposdfj 004313d0
puVar4 = local 50;
for (iVar2 = 0xe; iVar2 != 0; iVar2 = iVar2 + -1) {
  *puVar4 = *puVar3;
  puVar3 = puVar3 + 1;
  puVar4 = puVar4 + 1;
*(undefined *)puVar4 = *(undefined *)puVar3;
local 17 = 0;
local 13 = 0;
local f = 0;
local b = 0;
local 7 = 0;
local 3 = 0;
local 1 = 0;
uVarl = InternetOpenA(0,1,0,0,0);
iVar2 = InternetOpenUrlA(uVar1, local 50, 0, 0, 0x84000000, 0);
if (iVar2 == 0) {
  InternetCloseHandle(uVarl);
  InternetCloseHandle(0);
  FUN 00408090();
  return 0;
InternetCloseHandle (uVarl);
InternetCloseHandle(iVar2);
return 0;
```



ida analysis

tasksche.exe file creation on C:\ProgramData\ on a hidden folder with a weird name and unpacking all of its files there





encryption method

- CryptGenKey Generating RSA keypair
- CryptEncrypt Encrypting the files using AES algorithm
- CryptImportKey Importing the attackers public key
- CryptDecrypt Decrypting the files after payment
- CryptDestroyKey Is to destroy the memory area where the key was held in such a way that the key can never be recovered

```
.der, .pfx, .key, .crt, .csr, .p12, .pem, .odt, .ott, .sxw, .stw, .uot, .3ds, .max, .3dm, .ods, .ots, .sxc, .stc, .dif, .slk, .wb2, .odp, .otp, .sxd, .std, .uop, .odg, .otg, .sxm, .mml, .lay, .lay6, .asc, .sqlite3, .sqlitedb, .sql, .accdb, .mdb, .db, .dbf, .odb, .frm, .myd, .myi, .ibd, .mdf, .ldf, .sln, .suo, .cs, .c, .cpp, .pas, .h, .asm, .js, .cmd, .bat, .ps1, .vbs, .vb, .pl, .dip, .dch, .sch, .brd, .jsp, .php, .asp, .rb, .java, .jar, .class, .sh, .mp3, .wav, .swf, .fla, .wmv, .mpg, .vob, .mpeg, .asf, .avi, .mov, .mp4, .3gp, .mkv, .3g2, .flv, .wma, .mid, .m3u, .m4u, .djvu, .svg, .ai, .psd, .nef, .tiff, .tif, .cgm, .raw, .gif, .png, .bmp, .vcd, .iso, .backup, .zip, .rar, .7z, .gz, .tgz, .tar, .bak, .tbk, .bz2, .PAQ, .ARC, .aes, .gpg, .vmx, .vmdk, .vdi, .sldm, .sldx, .sti, .sxi, .602, .hwp, .edb, .potm, .potx, .ppam, .ppsx, .ppsm, .pps, .pot, .pptm, .xltm, .xltx, .xlc, .xlm, .xlt, .xlw, .xlsb, .xlsm, .dotx, .dotm, .doc, .docm, .docb, .jpg, .jpeg, .snt, .onetoc2, .dwg, .pdf, .wkl, .wks, .123, .rtf, .csv, .txt, .vsdx, .vsd, .eml, .msg, .ost, .pst, .pptx, .pptx, .plx, .xls, .docx, .doc
```

List of all file extensions targeted by WannaCry

```
data:0040F08C aMicrosoftEnhan db 'Microsoft Enhanced RSA and AES Cryptographic Provider',0
 data:0040F080
                                                        ; DATA XREF: sub 40182C+141o
 .data:0040F0C2
                               align 4
 .data:0040F0C4 ; CHAR aCryptgenkey[
.data:0040F0C4 aCryptgenkey db 'CryptGenKey',0
                                                       : DATA XREF: sub 401A45+681c
.data:0040F0D0 ; CHAR aCryptdecrypt[]
 .data:0040F0D0 aCryptdecrypt db 'CryptDecrypt',0
                                                        : DATA XREF: sub 401A45+5B1o
 .data:0040F0DD
                               align 10h
 .data:0040F0E0 ; CHAR aCryptencrypt[]
 .data:0040F0E0 aCryptencrypt db 'CryptEncrypt',0
                                                        : DATA XREF: sub 401A45+4E10
 .data:0040F0ED
                               align 10h
 .data:0040F0F0 ; CHAR aCryptdestroyke[]
 .data:0040F0F0 aCryptdestroyke db 'CryptDestroyKey',0 ; DATA XREF: sub 401A45+41fo
 .data:0040F100 ; CHAR aCryptimportkey[]
 data:0040F100 aCryptimportkey db 'CryptImportKey',0
 .data:0040F10F
                               align 10h
```

As in ghidra first when I opened it
I could see the if statement with the url
if the malware succeed to connect the url
the malware exits and deletes itself if not
the malware run and unpacking all of it's files
and starts to infect the computer

```
esp. 58h
sub
push
        esi
push
        edi
mov
        ecx, 8Eh
        esi, offset aHttpWwwIugerfs ; "http://www.iugerfsodp9ifjaposdfjhgosuri"...
mov
lea
        edi, [esp+58h+szUrl]
хог
        eax, eax
rep movsd
movsb
mov
         [esp+58h+var 17], eax
         [esp+58h+var_13], eax
         [esp+58h+var F], eax
         [esp+58h+var B], eax
mov
         [esp+58h+var_7], eax
         [esp+58h+var 3], ax
push
                           dwFlags
push
                           lpszProxy8ypass
                           lpszProxy
push
push
                           dwAccessType
push
                         ; lpszAgent
mov
        [esp+6Ch+var_1], al
call
        ds:InternetOpenA
push
                         : dwContext
push
                         : dwFlags
                         ; dwHeadersLength
push
        ecx, [esp+64h+szUrl]
lea
mov.
push
                         ; lpszHeaders
push
                         : loszUrl
        esi
                         ; hInternet
push
call
        ds:InternetOpenUrlA
MOV
        edi, eax
push
        esi
mov
        esi, ds:InternetCloseHandle
test
        edi, edi
        short loc 4081BC
```

