

Questions for Preliminary Selection of Fin Drill 2023

Your organization is concerned about the recent ransomware threat actors. Your leadership management has received a couple of threat intelligence reports from various sources and asked the SOC and Cyber Threat Intelligence Unit to collaborate to find any suspicious activities regarding two infamous ransomware group in particular, Lockbit 3.0 and CL0p ransomware. Your team is provided with the following threat intelligence reports for this activities-

1. <https://www.cisa.gov/news-events/cybersecurity-advisories/aa23-075a>
2. <https://www.cisa.gov/news-events/cybersecurity-advisories/aa23-158a>

You are now assigned to analyze the attached pcap and answer the following questions-

Q1. There are two prominent domain names in this pcap which are related to Lockbit 3.0 What are the names of those two domains?

Ans: **send.exploit[.]in** and **transfer[.]sh**

FILTER:

http.host contains "premiumize.com" or

http.host contains "anonfiles.com" or

http.host contains "sendspace.com" or

http.host contains "fex.net" or

http.host contains "transfer.sh" or

http.host contains "send.exploit.in" or

ssl.handshake.extensions_server_name contains "premiumize.com" or

ssl.handshake.extensions_server_name contains "anonfiles.com" or

ssl.handshake.extensions_server_name contains "sendspace.com" or

ssl.handshake.extensions_server_name contains "fex.net" or

ssl.handshake.extensions_server_name contains "transfer.sh" or

ssl.handshake.extensions_server_name contains "send.exploit.in"

No.	Time	Delta Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	TCP Segment Len	Sender IP address	Info
2151	60.725497482	0.000000000	192.168.36.196	89.22.239.240	TLSv1...	583	517	517	Client Hello (SNI=send.exploit.in)
2152	60.726694147	0.001196665	192.168.36.196	89.22.239.240	TLSv1...	583	517	517	Client Hello (SNI=send.exploit.in)
2155	60.729451314	0.002757167	192.168.36.196	89.22.239.240	TLSv1...	583	517	517	Client Hello (SNI=send.exploit.in)
2158	60.731793888	0.002342574	192.168.36.196	89.22.239.240	TLSv1...	583	517	517	Client Hello (SNI=send.exploit.in)
2360	62.816569524	2.084775636	192.168.36.196	144.76.136.153	TLSv1...	583	517	517	Client Hello (SNI=transfer.sh)

Fin_drill_2023_pcap.pcapng Packets: 16798 - Displayed: 5 (0.0%) Profile: Default

Q2. Which ip addresses were resolved for the two domains for Lockbit3.0 in Question 1?

Ans: **89.22.239.240** and **144.76.136.153**

Q3. There were 'failed attempts' to connect with two IOC of CL0P ransomware which is captured in the pcap. What are the domain names of these two IOC?

Ans: **qweastradoc[.]com** and **jirostrogud[.]com**

Solution:

1.

```
dns.qry.name == "hiperfdhaus.com" ||  
dns.qry.name == "jirostrogud.com" ||  
dns.qry.name == "qweastradoc.com" ||  
dns.qry.name == "connectzoomdownload.com" ||  
dns.qry.name == "zoom.voyage" ||  
dns.qry.name == "guerdofest.com"
```

Find the domain names. Then verify with reset flags.

Q4. Which ip addresses were resolved for the two domains for CL0P ransomware in Question 3?

Ans: **92.118.36.213** and **88.214.27.101**

Solution: do it investigating rst flags that comes after the dns query that actually indicates the failed attempts to connect after the dns query.

From the same pcap there are several suspicious footprints which needs to be investigated but those are not related with the threat intelligence reports which are shared for Lockbit3.0 and CL0p ransomware. Answer the following to find out about those suspicious activities-

Q5: How many unique suspicious domains are found from the pcap for attempted downloads of files with the extension '.exe' or '.php'?

Ans: **41**

Solution:

So, what i did is first I tried to find the .exe and .php file using http.request.uri contains ".exe" or php. So I have found many packets that has attempted and finished downloading. So, i had to filter only the attempted, and so I used the filter GET.

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http.request.method == "GET" && (http.request.uri contains ".exe" || http.request.uri contains ".php")
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After that, I inspected the end points and found there total 41 of them.

Wireshark packet capture analysis showing HTTP traffic. The packet list displays various GET requests to /file.php and /file.exe. The packet details pane shows the structure of a GET request, including the Host, User-Agent, and Accept headers. The packet bytes pane displays the raw data in hexadecimal and ASCII.

No.	Time	Delta Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	TCP Segment Len	Sender IP address	Info
9570	222.0213124...	8.181203624	192.168.36.196	104.21.22.45	HTTP	149	83	83	GET /file.exe HTTP/1.1
100...	245.2223466...	23.063694341	192.168.36.196	103.120.80.157	HTTP	148	82	82	GET /file.exe HTTP/1.1
101...	252.4988947...	6.665530245	192.168.36.196	104.21.21.199	HTTP	149	83	83	GET /file.exe HTTP/1.1
109...	308.3747334...	55.600764269	192.168.36.196	103.120.80.157	HTTP	148	82	82	GET /file.exe HTTP/1.1
111...	318.4922664...	9.396262845	192.168.36.196	172.67.203.182	HTTP	149	83	83	GET /file.exe HTTP/1.1
115...	332.0698890...	13.295168891	192.168.36.196	103.120.80.162	HTTP	148	82	82	GET /file.exe HTTP/1.1
118...	351.8714801...	19.165194362	192.168.36.196	103.120.80.156	HTTP	148	82	82	GET /file.exe HTTP/1.1
122...	371.8657695...	19.346398099	192.168.36.196	104.21.15.252	HTTP	149	83	83	GET /file.exe HTTP/1.1
127...	393.8046793...	21.663449895	192.168.36.196	172.67.215.235	HTTP	149	83	83	GET /file.exe HTTP/1.1
92	5.743764984	0.603135557	192.168.36.196	172.67.188.245	HTTP	149	83	83	GET /file.exe HTTP/1.1
202	10.055523907	1.001969864	192.168.36.196	103.120.80.155	HTTP	148	82	82	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1
240	11.423619677	0.274290581	192.168.36.196	172.67.158.123	HTTP	149	83	83	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1
406	14.760249584	0.585073831	192.168.36.196	172.67.136.86	HTTP	149	83	83	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1
759	26.139688417	0.212092051	192.168.36.196	103.120.80.160	HTTP	148	82	82	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1
1377	38.308371216	0.139617111	192.168.36.196	104.21.95.166	HTTP	147	81	81	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1
1823	46.254264032	0.283624383	192.168.36.196	103.120.80.157	HTTP	148	82	82	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1
2998	66.644808466	0.839836589	192.168.36.196	103.120.80.163	HTTP	148	82	82	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1
3100	69.334156848	0.600778500	192.168.36.196	103.120.80.158	HTTP	147	81	81	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1
3492	90.450393607	0.636522435	192.168.36.196	103.120.80.156	HTTP	148	82	82	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1
3567	95.145735873	0.975197530	192.168.36.196	103.120.80.156	HTTP	147	81	81	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1
4397	111.7537571...	0.461722972	192.168.36.196	154.64.64.143	HTTP	147	81	81	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1
4602	118.0953491...	0.580301471	192.168.36.196	103.120.80.155	HTTP	147	81	81	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1
4736	118.8578483...	0.143330158	192.168.36.196	104.21.29.40	HTTP	147	81	81	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1
4955	120.3604177...	0.281529904	192.168.36.196	172.67.193.156	HTTP	149	83	83	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1
5439	124.2109252...	0.339838798	192.168.36.196	172.67.186.246	HTTP	149	83	83	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1
6200	130.5452756...	0.200025488	192.168.36.196	103.120.80.157	HTTP	148	82	82	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1
7383	143.0308440...	3.073879624	192.168.36.196	103.120.80.161	HTTP	148	82	82	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1
7535	146.7815552...	0.582119032	192.168.36.196	172.67.140.80	HTTP	149	83	83	GET /file.php HTTP/1.1

Frame 759: 148 bytes on wire (1184 bits), 148 bytes captured (1184 bits) on interface en...
Ethernet II, Src: ASUSTekCOMPU, Dst: HuaweiTechno_f7:6b:a9...
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.168.36.196, Dst: 103.120.80.160
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 57552, Dst Port: 80, Seq: 1, Ack: 1, Len: 82
Hypertext Transfer Protocol
GET /file.php HTTP/1.1\r\nHost: 02mf75h.cn\r\nUser-Agent: curl/7.81.0\r\nAccept: */*\r\n\r\n[Response in frame: 763]
[Full request URI: http://02mf75h.cn/file.php]

Wireshark menu structure showing the 'Statistics' menu. The menu items include Capture File Properties, Resolved Addresses, Protocol Hierarchy, Conversations, Endpoints, Packet Lengths, I/O Graphs, Service Response Time, DHCP (BOOTP) Statistics, NetPerfMeter Statistics, ONC-RPC Programs, 29West, ANCP, BACnet, Collectd, DNS, and Flow Graph.

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Endpoint Settings

☐ Name resolution

☒ Limit to display filter

Copy

Map

Protocol

☐ Bluetooth

☐ BPv7

☐ DCCP

☐ Ethernet

☐ FC

☐ FDDI

☐ IEEE 802.11

☐ IEEE 802.15.4

☒ IPv4

☐ IPv6

☐ IPX

☐ JXTA

☐ LTP

☐ MPTCP

☐ NCP

☐ openSAFETY

☐ RSVP

☐ SCTP

Filter list for specific type

Help

Close

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Address	Packets	Bytes	Total Packets	Percent Filtered	Tx Packets	Tx Bytes	Rx Packets	Rx Bytes	Country	City	Latitude
45.145.230.56	2	292 bytes	30	6.67%	0	0 bytes	2	292 bytes			
103.120.80.155	7	1 kB	120	5.83%	0	0 bytes	7	1 kB			
103.120.80.156	4	590 bytes	60	6.67%	0	0 bytes	4	590 bytes			
103.120.80.157	10	1 kB	150	6.67%	0	0 bytes	10	1 kB			
103.120.80.158	4	589 bytes	40	10.00%	0	0 bytes	4	589 bytes			
103.120.80.159	2	296 bytes	30	6.67%	0	0 bytes	2	296 bytes			
103.120.80.160	1	148 bytes	20	5.00%	0	0 bytes	1	148 bytes			
103.120.80.161	4	592 bytes	40	10.00%	0	0 bytes	4	592 bytes			
103.120.80.162	5	740 bytes	81	6.17%	0	0 bytes	5	740 bytes			
103.120.80.163	3	444 bytes	60	5.00%	0	0 bytes	3	444 bytes			
104.21.13.254	1	149 bytes	22	4.55%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
104.21.15.252	2	298 bytes	24	8.33%	0	0 bytes	2	298 bytes			
104.21.19.162	1	149 bytes	12	8.33%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
104.21.21.199	1	149 bytes	12	8.33%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
104.21.22.45	2	298 bytes	34	5.88%	0	0 bytes	2	298 bytes			
104.21.29.40	2	294 bytes	34	5.88%	0	0 bytes	2	294 bytes			
104.21.33.230	1	149 bytes	22	4.55%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
104.21.37.227	1	149 bytes	12	8.33%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
104.21.44.210	1	149 bytes	12	8.33%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
104.21.65.59	1	149 bytes	22	4.55%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
104.21.65.176	1	149 bytes	22	4.55%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
104.21.76.15	1	147 bytes	22	4.55%	0	0 bytes	1	147 bytes			
104.21.80.250	1	149 bytes	22	4.55%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
104.21.95.166	1	147 bytes	22	4.55%	0	0 bytes	1	147 bytes			
107.163.88.134	2	292 bytes	30	6.67%	0	0 bytes	2	292 bytes			
154.64.64.143	2	294 bytes	37	5.41%	0	0 bytes	2	294 bytes			
172.67.133.147	1	149 bytes	12	8.33%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
172.67.136.86	1	149 bytes	12	8.33%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
172.67.140.80	2	298 bytes	24	8.33%	0	0 bytes	2	298 bytes			
172.67.146.53	1	147 bytes	12	8.33%	0	0 bytes	1	147 bytes			
172.67.147.224	1	149 bytes	12	8.33%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
172.67.158.123	2	298 bytes	24	8.33%	0	0 bytes	2	298 bytes			
172.67.185.15	1	147 bytes	12	8.33%	0	0 bytes	1	147 bytes			
172.67.186.246	1	149 bytes	22	4.55%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
172.67.188.245	1	149 bytes	12	8.33%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
172.67.193.156	1	149 bytes	12	8.33%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
172.67.200.21	1	149 bytes	22	4.55%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
172.67.203.182	1	149 bytes	22	4.55%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
172.67.214.170	1	149 bytes	22	4.55%	0	0 bytes	1	149 bytes			
172.67.215.235	2	298 bytes	34	5.88%	0	0 bytes	2	298 bytes			
192.168.36.196	80	12 kB	16,767	0.48%	80	12 kB	0	0 bytes			

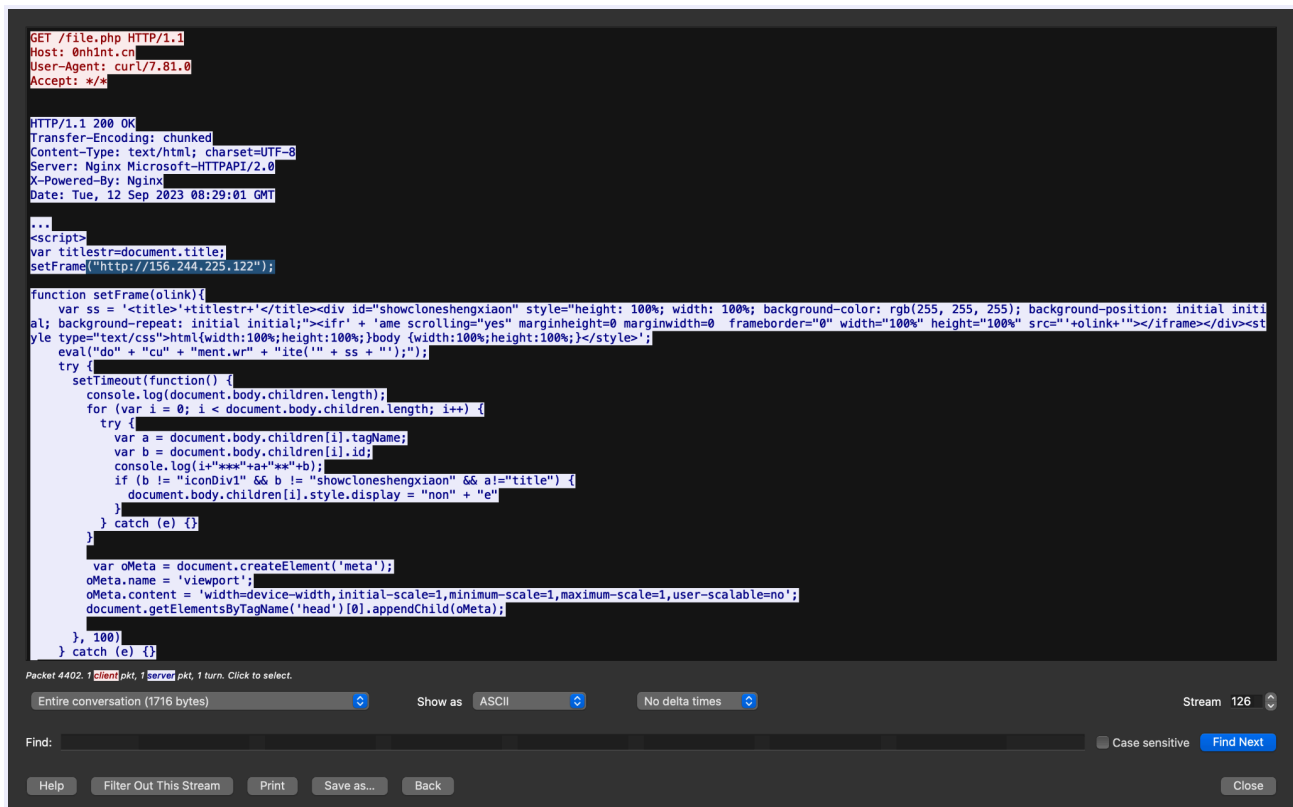
Q6: There is an embedded ip address in one of the downloaded scripts from the suspicious domains of Question 5. This ip is used in http://x.x.x.x format inside the script. What is the value of this ip address?

Ans: **156.244.225.122**

Solution:

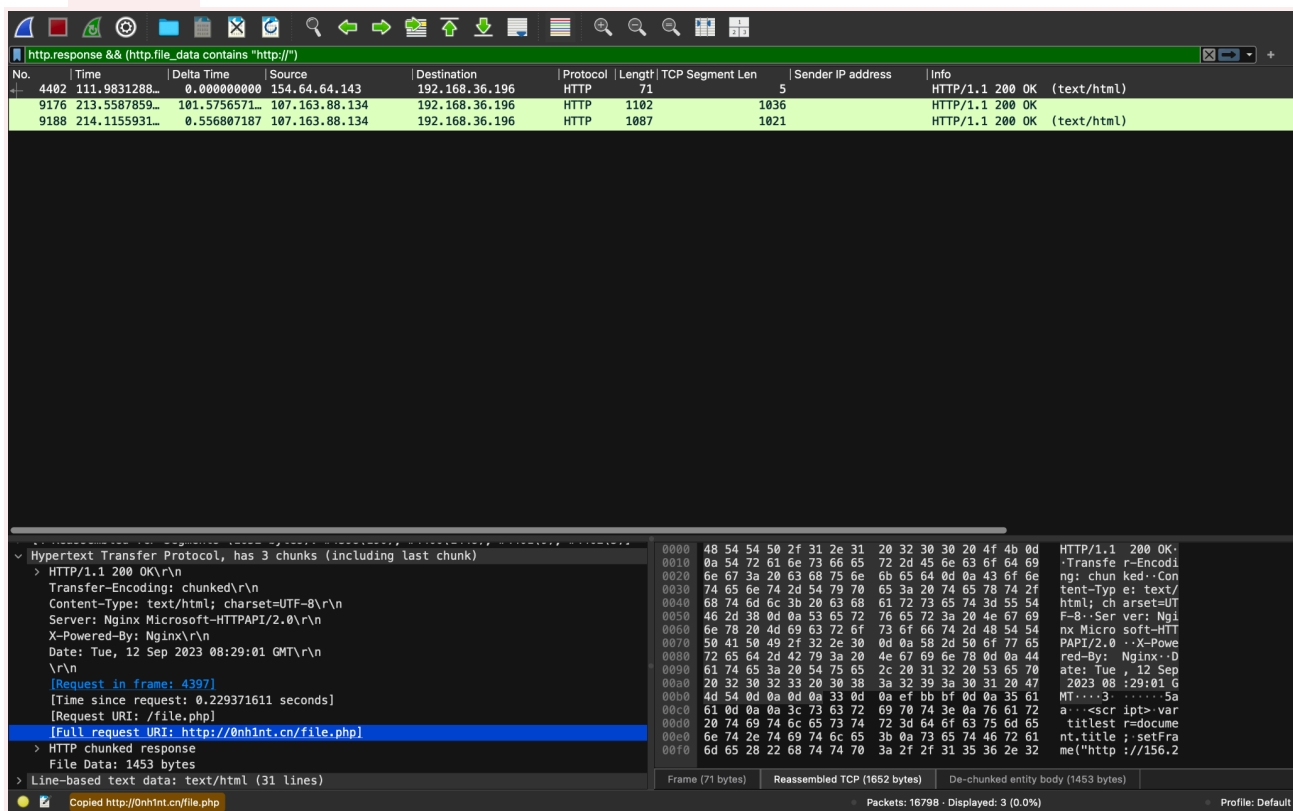
http.response && (http.file_data contains "http://")

The image shows a Wireshark packet capture of an HTTP response. The packet list pane shows packet 4402 as an HTTP 200 OK response from 154.64.64.143 to 192.168.36.196. The packet details pane shows the HTTP response structure, including the status line 'HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/html)'. The packet bytes pane shows the raw data of the response, including the status line and the body content.



Q7: What is the name of the domain which was used to download the script in Question 6?

Ans: 0nh1nt.cn



Q8: What was the duration for the entire HTTP communication to download the suspicious script for Q6?

Ans: 0.6844s

Solution:

Go to statistics -> endpoints> tcp duration

Q9: In the provided pcap there is a suspicious ip address who is trying to perform network scans in stealth mode. What is this suspicious ip address?

Ans: 192.168.34.23

```
tcp.flags.syn == 1 && tcp.flags.ack == 0 && tcp.len == 0
```

Then go to statistics>conversations> tcp

✓ tcp.flags.syn == 1

- This checks whether the **SYN flag is set** in the TCP header.
- SYN (synchronize) is used to initiate a **TCP connection**.
- So this means: *“This packet is trying to start a connection.”*

✓ tcp.flags.ack == 0

- This checks that the **ACK flag is not set**.
- In normal TCP connections, a client sends **SYN**, server replies with **SYN-ACK**, and client responds with **ACK**.
- If ACK is 0, it means this is **only the first step of the handshake** (likely a scan).

🔍 Most scanners just send SYN and never complete the handshake to stay stealthy.

✓ tcp.len == 0

- This ensures the TCP packet carries **no data** — just the **header and flags**.
- Scans typically don't send any application data. They just want to see if the port is **open**, **closed**, or **filtered**.

🧠 Combined Meaning

This filter catches **TCP packets that:**

- Are trying to start a new connection (SYN),

- Aren't responding to an existing one (no ACK),
 - And don't carry any data (zero payload).
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Why It's Suspicious

This pattern is a hallmark of **SYN scanning**:

- Attackers send many SYN packets to different ports or IPs.
- They **don't complete the handshake**, so it stays stealthy.
- This lets them map which ports are open, without making full connections.

Q10: How many packets are sent **ONLY** for the stealth scan by the suspicious ip address in Q9?

Ans: 2000

Correction:

Total 2005