# Infecting files on-the-fly

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#### Why this talk? – Not all is PE

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## **Commercial Tools**



#### **FINFISHER™**

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#### FinFly LAN

Some of the major challenges law enforcement agencies are facing are mobile targets that don't allow any physical access to their computers and do not open any unknown files they receive. Security-aware targets are almost impossible to monitor as they keep their systems up-to-date and successfully resist common exploits or intrusion techniques.

FinFly LAN covertly deploys remote monitoring solutions on target systems in Local Area Networks (Wired and Wireless). It patches files that are downloaded by the target on-the-fly, sends fake software updates or deploys the monitoring solution into visited websites.





## Free Tools

Peinjector <a href="https://github.com/JonDoNym/peinjector">https://github.com/JonDoNym/peinjector</a>

Provides different ways to infect these files with custom payloads without changing the original functionality. It creates patches, which are then applied seamlessly during file transfer. It is very performant, lightweight, modular and can be operated on embedded hardware.

#### Features

- Full x86 and x64 PE file support.
- Open Source
- Fully working on Windows and Linux, including automated installation scripts.
- Can be operated on embedded hardware, tested on a Rasperberry Pi 2.
- On Linux, all servers will be automatically integrated as service, no manual configuration required.
- Plain C, no external libraries required (peinjector).
- MITM integration is available in C, Python and Java. A sample Python MITM implementation is included.
- Foolproof, mobile-ready web interface. Anyone who can configure a home router can configure the injector server.
- Easy to use integrated shellcode factory, including reverse shells, meterpreter, ... or own shellcode. Everything is available in 32 and 64 bit with optional automated encryption. Custom shellcode can be injected directly or as a new thread.

## Free Tools

# Backdoor Factory Proxy <a href="https://github.com/secretsquirrel/BDFProxy">https://github.com/</a>

Patch Binaries via MITM: BackdoorFactory + mitmProxy.

Features

- Full x86 and x64 PE file support.
- ELF and Mach-O
- Open Source

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YzeGxlurQy8

## **Modifing Tools issues**

- Resources / icons?
- Antivirus?
- Executable signatures?
- The original code is executed?
- Executables auto-integrity checks
- UAC?
- Other not executable file formats:
  - ZIP
  - RAR
  - PDF
  - MS Office
  - ETC

## **Modifing Tools issues**

What do you think <u>on-the-fly</u> means?

## Download a file vs Download a file through a proxy

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# Files Modification on-the-fly (option 1)



- Dependency of connection speed.
- Dependency of file size.
- Dependency of file format.

# File Modification on-the-fly (option 2)



- (IN)dependency of connection speed.
- (IN)dependency of file size.
- Dependency of file format.

# File Modification on-the-fly (option 2)

- Know the file format to guess the future modification.
- From the beginning we know the original file size (original Content-Lenght).
- Resulting file size? (New Content-Length)
- File format with CRC?
- Headers of modified file?
- A study of all file formats is needed.
- Thanks to Ange Albertini (<u>@angealbertini</u>) it is easy with most common filetypes.

## **PE Infection**

## **PE Format**



#### https://github.com/angea/wiki\_old/blob/master/PE101.wiki

## **PE Format**



#### **Normal Setions**

- .text : executable code
- .data: global initialized data
- .rdata : global read-only data
- .edata: export tables
- : import tables .idata

- .xdata
- .pdata : exception handling information : exception information, free format
- .reloc
- : information for relocation of library files **.rsrc** : resources of the executable
- .drective : linker options
- .bss : uninitialized data, free format

https://corkami.googlecode.com/files/PE101-v1.pdf

## **PE Resource Structure**



- Structure very unclear even in the specification.
- Usage of virtual relative addresses from uncertain PE points.
- Hard analysis and hard construction.
- Have to consider the alignment inside file space.

## **EXE Infection**

- EXE = executable PE.
- The original EXE must be executed as expected while other process is executed (payload).
- The process must be transparent to the user.
- Protections:
  - File name (reputation)
  - Digital signature (S.O. Level)
  - Integrity check (code level)

# EXE Infection (Option 1)

- Add new code at the end of the file.
- Change Entry Point.
- Remove digital signature.
- The new code is executed and calls later to the original code.

## EXE Infection (Opción 1)

#### **Original EXE**



#### Infected EXE



# EXE Infected (Option 1)

- The executable may be signed a posteriori if you have a certificate.
- The auto-integrity check fails.
- Well known method by AVs
- New size = original +new code
- The resource section is preserved so the ICON is not modified

# EXE Infection (Option 2)

Add original EXE to a section of the new malware.

• The new EXE executes its magic, copies the section to another file and runs it.

# EXE Infection (Option 2)



#### Malware + original



# EXE Infection (Option 2)

• The executable may be signed a posteriori if you have a valid certificate.

The resource section is preserved so the ICON is not modified

 Size = original + malware + original resources section+ alignment

### Encimadelamosca (EDM) EXE Infection

- Analyzes original EXE's header (1st stream).
- Modifies the new EXE's header.
  - Add data section.
  - Sizes
  - Add resources section.
- Sends the new EXE
- Sends the original EXE
- Sends the resources section
- Content-type:

File type	Content-types
.exe	application/x-msdownload application/octet-stream

# **Demo:** Infecting an EXE using EDM

## **ZIP files infection**

• General structure of non encrypted ZIP file. (simplified)

Local file header 1
File data 1
data descriptor 1
Local file header 2
File data 2
data descriptor 2
Local file header n
File data n
data descriptor n
Archive decryption header
Archive decryption record
Central directory

https://www.pkware.com/documents/casestudies/APPNOTE.TXT

Local file header

0x0\_0x1\_0x2\_0x3\_0x4\_0x5\_0x6\_0x7\_0x8\_0x9\_0xa\_0xb\_0xc\_0xd\_0xe\_0xf\_

0x0000	Sign	ature	Version	Flags	Compression	Mod:time	Modedate	Crc-32
0x0010	Crc-32	Compres	sed size	Uricompre	issed size	File name len	Extra field len	
0x0020				File name (v	ariable size)			
0x0030				Extra field (v	ariable size)			
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https://www.pkware.com/documents/casestudies/APPNOTE.TXT

• Data descriptor

	0x0	0x1	0x2	0x3	0x4	0x5	0x6	0x7	0x8	0x9	0xa	0xb.
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• Central directory: Contains metadata about the files in the file, including the data about the files encryption. Beside the ZIP files divided in multiple files.



https://www.pkware.com/documents/casestudies/APPNOTE.TXT

### Central directory file header



https://www.pkware.com/documents/casestudies/APPNOTE.TXT

### Encimadelamosca ZIP files infection(beta)



### Encimadelamosca ZIP file infection

- Delays with big compressed files.
- Encrypted ZIP files (Being resolved).
- Size = file size + infected data + padding.
- Capability of adding files on-the-fly.
- Content-type:

File type	Content-types
.zip	application/zip application/octet-stream

# **DEMO:** Infecting an ZIP using EDM

## **OOXML** Infection

## **OOXML Format**

- Office Open XML is a standard file format which most common extensions are .docx, .xlsx, .pptx y .ppsx.
- International standard ISO/IEC 29500:2008, Information technology – Office Open XML formats.



## **OOXML Format**



## **OOXML Format**

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### Encimadelamosca OOXML Infection

• Similar to ZIP file

### • Content-types:

File type	Content-types
.docx	application/vnd.openxmlformats-officedocument.wordprocessingml.document application/octet-stream application/msword
.xlsx	pplication/vnd.openxmlformats-officedocument.spreadsheetml.sheet application/octet-stream
.pptx	application/vnd.openxmlformats-officedocument.presentationml.presentation application/octet-stream
.ppsx	application/vnd.openxmlformats-officedocument.presentationml.slideshow application/octet-stream

# **DEMO:**

## Infecting an OOXML using EDM

## **Other files type Infection??**

## TODO

- **PDF** How to infect on the paper, just need to code it
- **RAR** How to infect on the paper, just need to code it
- **TGZ** TAR + GZ How to infect on the paper, just need to code it
- **APK** It is just a ZIP same technique



## TODO

- Torrent
- Mac OS X Disk Image DMG
- Mac OS X Installer Package **PKG**
- Java CLASS (it exists inside JARs which are ZIP files too)







## TODO

- C-code porting for embedded devices and HA
- New techniques of infection OTF
- PE signature implementation



EDM available on Git:

https://b1b.es/edm

# The End...