



How to catch your hacker: practical stories

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How to start your investigation

Step 0: Operation Security



Hide IP

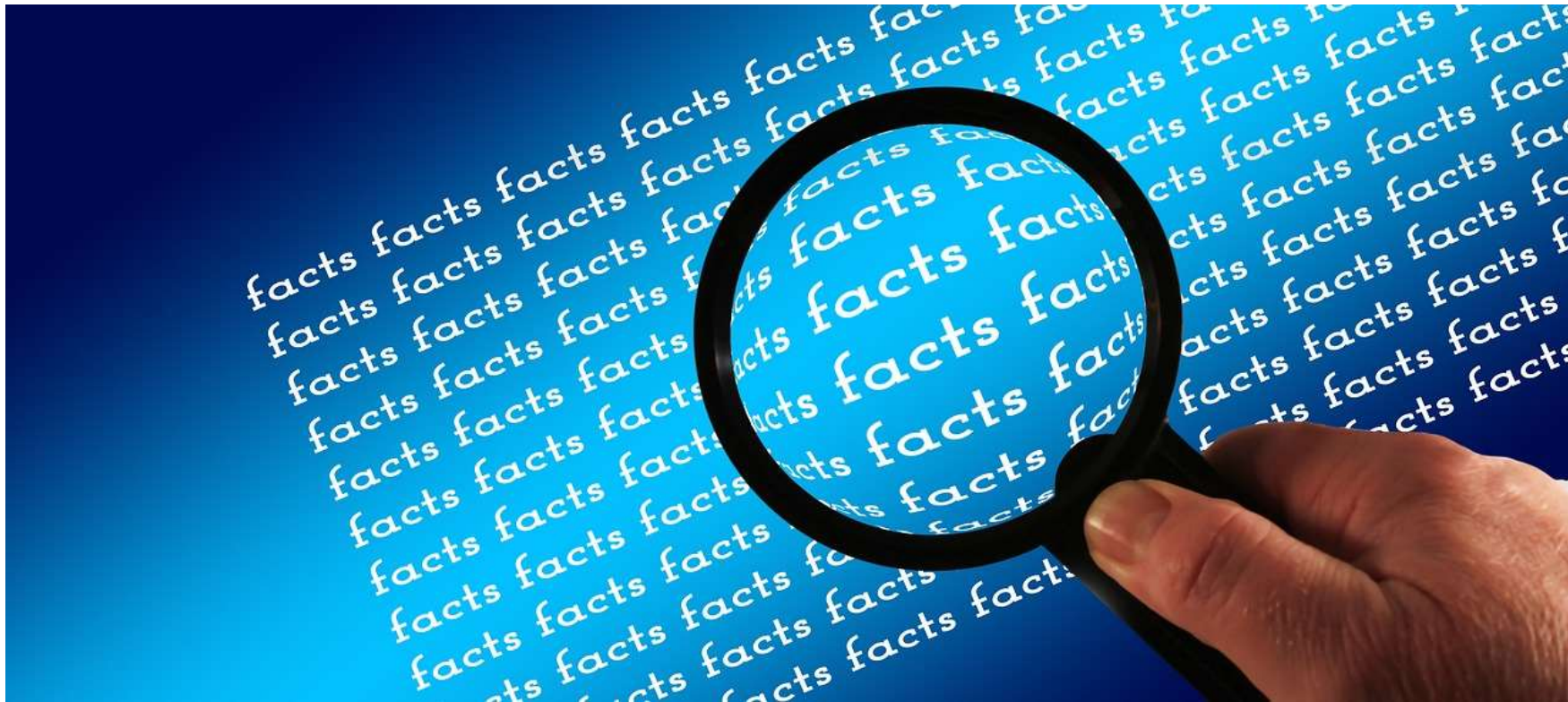


Disable a
“prediction service”



Store and share URLs
in a “safe mode”

Step 1&2: Get facts and check facts

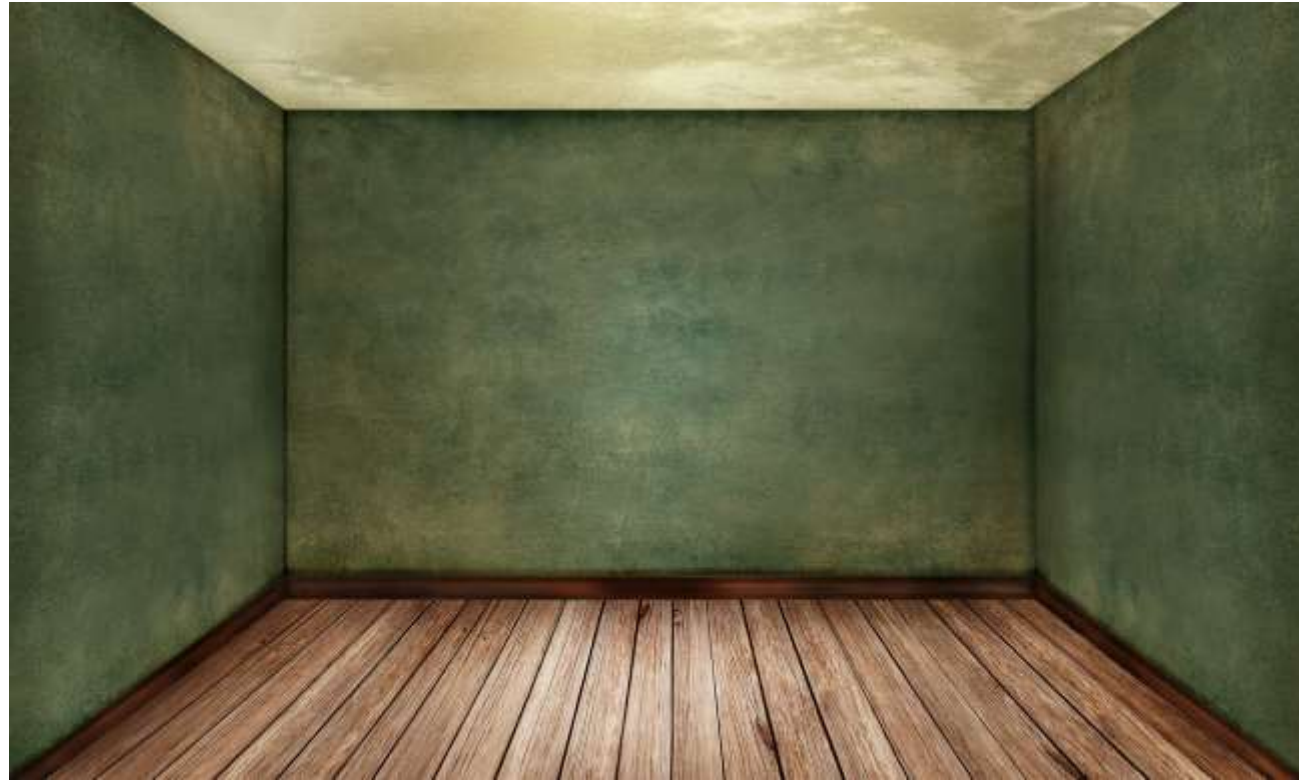


When DHS/FBI “GRIZZLY STEPPE” report... goes terribly wrong



Note: Russian authorities reports can be hilarious too 😊

Here are all the people you can fully trust in your investigations:

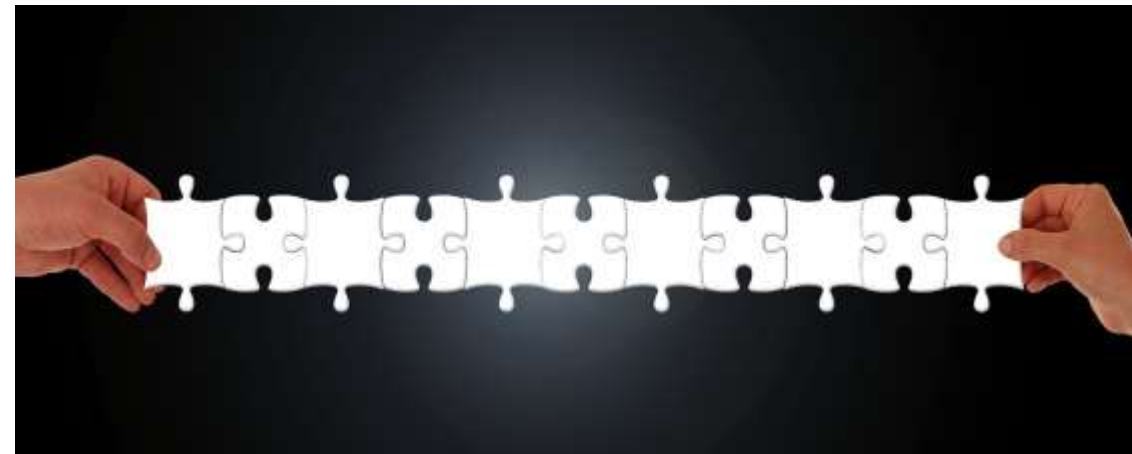


Following the footprints

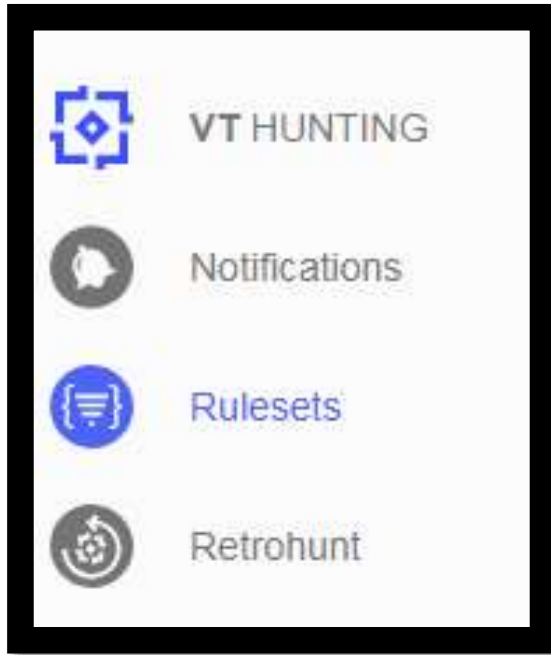
Related samples search

Related samples search:

- Create a detection and check stats.
- Search in your samples library:
 - Heavily vendor dependent;
- Search on the external platforms:
 - Non-strict hashes
 - Strings
 - **YARA**



YARA samples search life-hacks:



- YARA search is FP friendly 😊
- String search:
 - do not restrict to executables only
- Code search:
 - avoid absolute and long relative addresses

Screenshots code hunting

```
0044F868: FF15AC804D00    call    GetCurrentThreadId
0044F86E: 8B4C2408        mov     ecx,[esp+8]
0044F872: 56              push   esi
0044F873: 33C8            xor     ecx,eax
0044F875: 894C240C        mov     [esp+00C],ecx
0044F879: FF1508804D00    call    DeleteMetaFile
0044F87F: 8BC7            mov     eax,edi
0044F881: 5F              pop     edi
0044F882: 5E              pop     esi
0044F883: 83C40C         add     esp,00C
0044F886: C3              ret
```

Following the footprints

Hunt for Clues

JPEG: not only EXIF

- Size does matter 😊
- Upload time
- Information ON the picture



Credits: CabinCr3w 😊

PE: not just a PDB Path and a Resources Locale

- Unique strings
 - Mutexes
 - Reg-keys
 - Dropped files names
- VT upload time
- VT upload name



MS office: not only "the dodgy dossier"

- PrinterSettings*.bin:



```
D:\WORK\TEST\ substq1_1\xl\printerSettings\printerSettings1.bin
```

The screenshot shows a Windows command prompt window with a dark blue background and white text. The current directory is D:\WORK\TEST\ substq1_1\xl\printerSettings. The file printerSettings1.bin is selected and highlighted with a red rectangular box. Below the command prompt, there is a taskbar with several icons, including a green vertical bar on the left, a clock, and several application icons. The text 'SECD' is visible in the bottom right corner of the command prompt area.

Reverse Who-is: not only email - any custom field

Reverse Whois:

domainabuse@tu cows.com 🔍

nexuszeta1337@gmail.com 🔍

```
Domain Name: NEXUSIOTSOLUTIONS.NET
Domain ID: 2133563803_DOMAIN_NET-VRSN
Registrar WHOIS Server: whois.tucows.com
Registrar URL: http://tucowsdomains.com
Updated Date: 2017-06-14T07:47:01Z
Creation Date: 2017-06-14T07:40:55Z
Registrar Registration Expiration Date: 2018-06-14T07:40:55Z
Registrar: TUCOWS, INC.
Registrar IANA ID: 69
Registrar Abuse Contact Email: domainabuse@tucows.com
Registrar Abuse Contact Phone: +1.4165350123
Domain Status:
Registry Registrant ID:
Registrant Name: Liam McPike
Registrant Organization: Nexus IoT Solutions, LLC.
Registrant Street: 20412 32nd Dr SE
Registrant City: Bothell
Registrant State/Province: WA
Registrant Postal Code: 98012
Registrant Country: US
Registrant Phone: +1.3607267966
Registrant Phone Ext:
Registrant Fax:
Registrant Fax Ext:
Registrant Email: nexuszeta1337@gmail.com
```

```
Domain Name: ZETASTRESS.NET
Domain ID: 2066766456_DOMAIN_NET-VRSN
Registrar WHOIS Server: whois.tucows.com
Registrar URL: http://tucowsdomains.com
Updated Date: 2016-10-16T22:58:44Z
Creation Date: 2016-10-16T22:58:43Z
Registrar Registration Expiration Date: 2017-10-16T22:58:43Z
Sponsoring Registrar: TUCOWS, INC.
Sponsoring Registrar IANA ID: 69
Registrar Abuse Contact Email: domainabuse@tucows.com
Registrar Abuse Contact Phone: +1.4165350123
Domain Status: ok https://icann.org/epp#ok
Registry Registrant ID:
Registrant Name: kenny Schuchman
Registrant Organization: ZetaSec Inc.
Registrant Street: 8709 Ne Mason Dr, No. 4
Registrant City: Vancouver
Registrant State/Province: Washington
Registrant Postal Code: 98662
Registrant Country: US
Registrant Phone: +1.3607267966
Registrant Phone Ext:
Registrant Fax:
Registrant Fax Ext:
Registrant Email: kenny.windwmx79@outlook.com
Registry Admin ID:
Admin Name: kenny Schuchman
Admin Organization: ZetaSec Inc.
Admin Street: 8709 Ne Mason Dr, No. 4
```

Text: ransom notes language analysis

Wana Decrypt0r 2.0

Oops, your files have been encrypted! English

What Happened to My Computer?
Your important files are encrypted. Many of your documents, photos, videos, databases and other files are no longer accessible because they have been encrypted. Maybe you are busy looking for a way to recover your files, but do not waste your time. Nobody can recover your files without our decryption service.

Can I Recover My Files?
Sure. We guarantee that you can recover all your files safely and easily. But you have not so enough time. You can decrypt some of your files for free. Try now by clicking <Decrypt>. But if you want to decrypt all your files, you need to pay. You only have 3 days to submit the payment. After that the price will be doubled. Also, if you don't pay in 7 days, you won't be able to recover your files forever. We will have free events for users who are so poor that they couldn't pay in 6 months.

How Do I Pay?
Payment is accepted in Bitcoin only. For more information, click <About bitcoin>. Please check the current price of Bitcoin and buy some bitcoins. For more information, click <How to buy bitcoins>. And send the correct amount to the address specified in this window. After your payment, click <Check Payment>. Best time to check: 9:00am - 11:00am

Payment will be raised on 5/16/2017 00:47:55
Time Left 02:23:57:37

Your files will be lost on 5/20/2017 00:47:55
Time Left 06:23:57:37

Send \$300 worth of bitcoin to this address:
12t9YDPgwueZ9NyMgw519p7AA8isjr6SMw Copy

Check Payment Decrypt

Text typos: Russian keyboard layout traces

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Tab	Q Й	W Ц	E У	R К	T Е	Y Н	U Г	I Ш	O Щ	P З	{ } [X] Ъ	Enter
Caps Lock	A Ф	S Ы	D Ь	F А	G П	H Р	J О	L Л	: Д	" Ж	' Э	/ \
Shift	 \	Z Я	X Ч	C С	V М	B И	N Т	M Ь	< ,	> Б	? , Ю	Shift
Ctrl	Win Key	Alt							Alt Gr	Win Key	Menu	Ctrl

False Flags:

check twice

False Flags: GangCrab and a “sick children scam”

```
v80 = '0\0.';  
v81 = 0;  
v62 = (BYTE *)&advert="+380668846667";  
lstrcatW(v63, String2);  
v39 = lpString1;  
v63 = (LPWSTR)(16 * lstrlenW(lpString1) + 18);  
lpMultiByteStr = (LPCSTR)VirtualFree(v63, 0, MEM_RELEASE);  
v40 = 8 * lstrlenW(v39) + 2;  
if ( lpMultiByteStr && v40 < (v40 - v41) )  
    v41 = (CHAR *)lpMultiByteStr + v40;  
else  
    v41 = 0;  
v63 = (LPWSTR)lstrlenW(v39);  
if ( ::lpAddress )  
    VirtualFree(::lpAddress, 0, MEM_RELEASE);
```

Lalartu 7.03.2018, 00:20

Закрепите гденибудь, этот черт у меня менял бабки с взм на киви с другой жабы, так и узнал киви

киви: 380668846667 3 7 3 4

Жабберы: @xmpp.jp @exploit.im

Кошельки: U372459348682 R282285352338 R136751256540 Z633613906825 ввид 193304529085

мыло: @gmail.com

Группа: Пользователь
Сообщений: 279
Регистрация: 14.12.2017
Пользователь №: 84 236
Дейтельность: другое

Репутация: 25
(3% - хорошо)

Собственно вот наш п

Все гуглится, все связ

Сообщение отредактировал L

13.03.2018, 02:40

Цитата(mil0 @ 13.03.2018, 01:27)

Цитата(GandCrab @ 12.03.2018, 08:15)

furianec,
жм, думал заметят.

вот как и думал тут в коде. Вот извращенец))

Вряд ли этот номер все читающие наизусть запомнили, чтоб прям так сразу увидеть 😊

Но наказываал так наказывааал 🤪

Real Investigation: a POS malware

POS malware: PDB path

```
D:\WORK\APT\FastPOS\SAMPLES\1bb4fe3dc040daa0af0db7096c567cf6b6b55f28af94c56b5882193ccd25
SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows NT\CurrentVersion ProductName %s Unknown OS 64 32
p?comdlg64=update&username=%s KillYourself nouupdate&ver=3 NoUpdate statuslog&lo
ype.exe statuslog&log=scanning-%s Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run un
cture=%s Success Installation Complete. statuslog&log=GetLastError-%d Access Denied
ng position map/set<I> too long DEA 0!e P!e p!e !!!e "!e p!EA "!!e e!e P!e L!e "!e p!e H
C:\Program Files\WinRAR\Formats\ETC\CPANEL + SURSA\sursa\The Hook\Release\The Hook.pdb
A      @   9zA   zA   2bA   -!B   @   @   *zA   T!B   PzA   @
bA      t!B   @   @   bzA   @   @   @   9zA   9zA   lzA   2bA   @
e   <uA   @   8!B   7bA   |!B   uA   @   uA   7uA   2bA   |!B   @
@   uEA   ,%B   @   @   PzA   @   2EA   `EA   2zA   9zA   9zB
@   7EA   uA   `zA   @   @   !EA   -%B   *zA   ,%B   !EA   D%B
@   7EA   uA   `zA   @   @   uA   -EA   2zA   9zA   @
```


POS malware: mutex

```
004046D9 loc_4046D9:          ; CODE XREF: _main+47↑j
004046D9      push    3E8h                ; dwMilliseconds
004046DE      call   ds:Sleep
004046E4      push    offset Name         "uniqueidclaxemain"
004046E9      push    0                   ; bInitialOwner
004046EB      push    0                   ; lpMutexAttributes
004046ED      call   ds:CreateMutexA
004046F3      mov     esi, ds:GetLastError
004046F9      call   esi ; GetLastError
004046FB      cmp     eax, 0B7h
00404700      jnz    short loc_40471D
00404702      push    30h                 ; uType
00404704      push    offset aAlert       ; "Alert"
00404709      push    offset aAlreadyRunning ; "Already running?"
0040470E      push    0                   ; hWnd
00404710      call   ds:MessageBoxA
00404716      push    0                   ; int
00404718      call   _exit
```

eclesiastes

Posted 03 August 2015 - 07:49 AM

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Hello

I have an application with a mutex that prevent it from being opened more than once.

[-] C Source

```
1 HANDLE h = CreateMutex(NULL, FALSE, "uniqueidclaxemain");
2     if (GetLastError() == ERROR_ALREADY_EXISTS)
3     {
4         MessageBox(NULL, "An instance is already running.", "Already running",
5             return 0;
6     }
```

If I try to open it again, an error appears that app is already running.

I'm looking for a way to CreateProcess multiple instances of this kind of programs. Is there any tweaks to process names, classes or even hooking the NTQuery but still the mutex is there.


Any help regarding this would be greatly appreciated!

Thank you

POS malware: the time zone

eclesiastes Posted 29 August 2015 7:06 AM
2015-08-29T06:06:53+00:00

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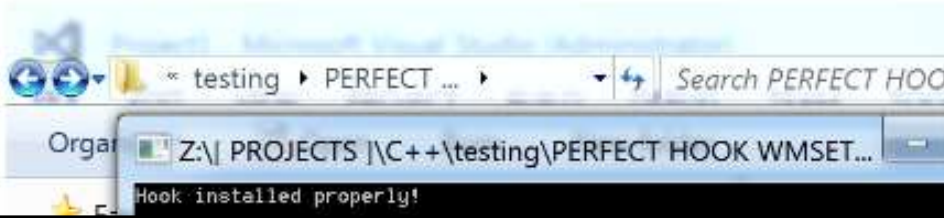


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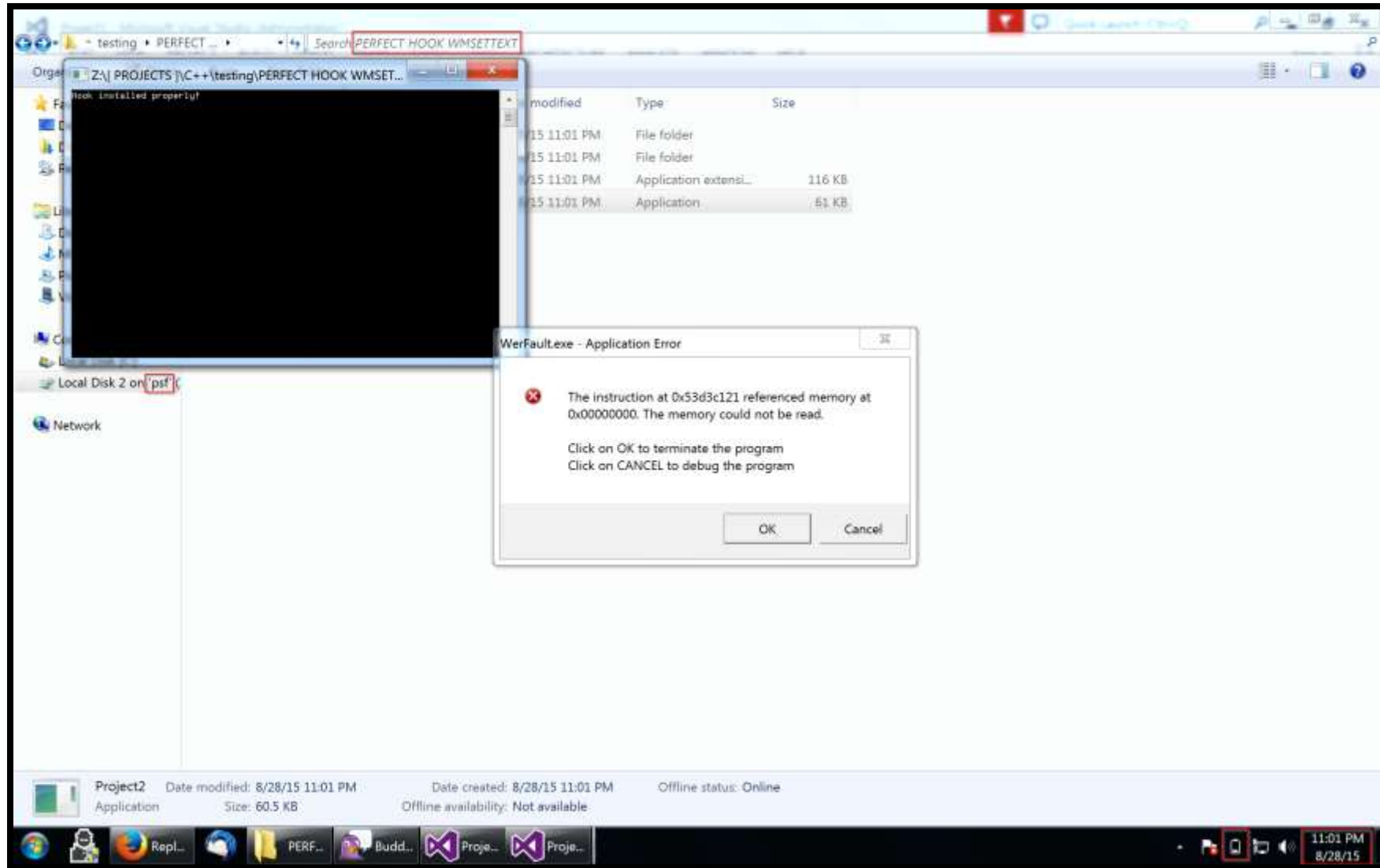
[-] C Source

```
1 extern "C" __declspec(dllexport) LRESULT WINAPI proce
2     if (nCode == HC_ACTION){
3         //lets extract the data
4         CWPSTRUCT *data = (CWPSTRUCT *)lParam;
5         //if (data->message = WM_SETTEXT){
6
7             char *text = (char *)data->lParam;
8
9             std::ofstream file("C:\\t.txt", std::ios:
10            file << text<<std::endl;
11            file.close();
12
13            //}
14        }
15    return CallNextHookEx(global, nCode, wParam, lPar
16 }
```

I'm trying instead of "if (data->message = WM_SETTEXT){" to intercept a
Screenshot:



POS malware: the screenshot




POS malware: the screenshot “data”

- 2560x1600
- Laptop
- PSF (Parallels)
- “Perfect Hook” project
- Time Zone: GMT-7

POS malware: Javacardos forum

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POS malware: Steam profile



The screenshot shows a Steam profile for a user named 'TiredOfCheaters'. The profile picture is a cat sitting on a windowsill. The user's real name is 'eclesiastes' (highlighted with a red box) and they are from the United States. The profile shows they are Level 1 and have no information given. A dropdown menu indicates they have also played as 'TiredOfCheaters' and 'HitlerCaput'. The 'Recent Activity' section shows they played 'Counter-Strike: Global Offensive' 21.8 hours past 2 weeks, with a record of 246 hours last played on 10 Feb. The achievement progress for CS:GO is 73 of 167, with a score of +68. The profile also shows 1 badge (a '5+' badge) and 9 games.

POS malware: pcpartpicker



eclesiastes

Submitter

34 months ago 1 point

I work a lot in Visual Studio and on my macbook the background i can differentiate between white and silver but on monitor the silver and white color are the same.

↑ ↓ Permalink



eclesiastes

Submitter

34 months ago 1 point

what is display port ? i use hdmi but tried DPIN too its same thing. my monitor doesn't have drivers but i installed nvidia latest drivers from july 14, clean install. i use windows 7 64 bit on both macbook and pc. if i connect my macbook to monitor it looks wonderfull but my pc with gtx 1080 is not crisp, my eyes get tired fast :(i want my pc to look just like my macbook pro on monitor



eclesiastes

Submitter

34 months ago 1 point

Thank you for answer. My samsung monitor is U28E590D I tried to connect the pc to my 65" Samsung (KS9500 9-Series Curved 4K SUHD) I also tried to HP 25ES monitor with different cables. Still the text is not crisp, images are blurry, not high quality like on macbook pro

POS malware: pcpartpicker



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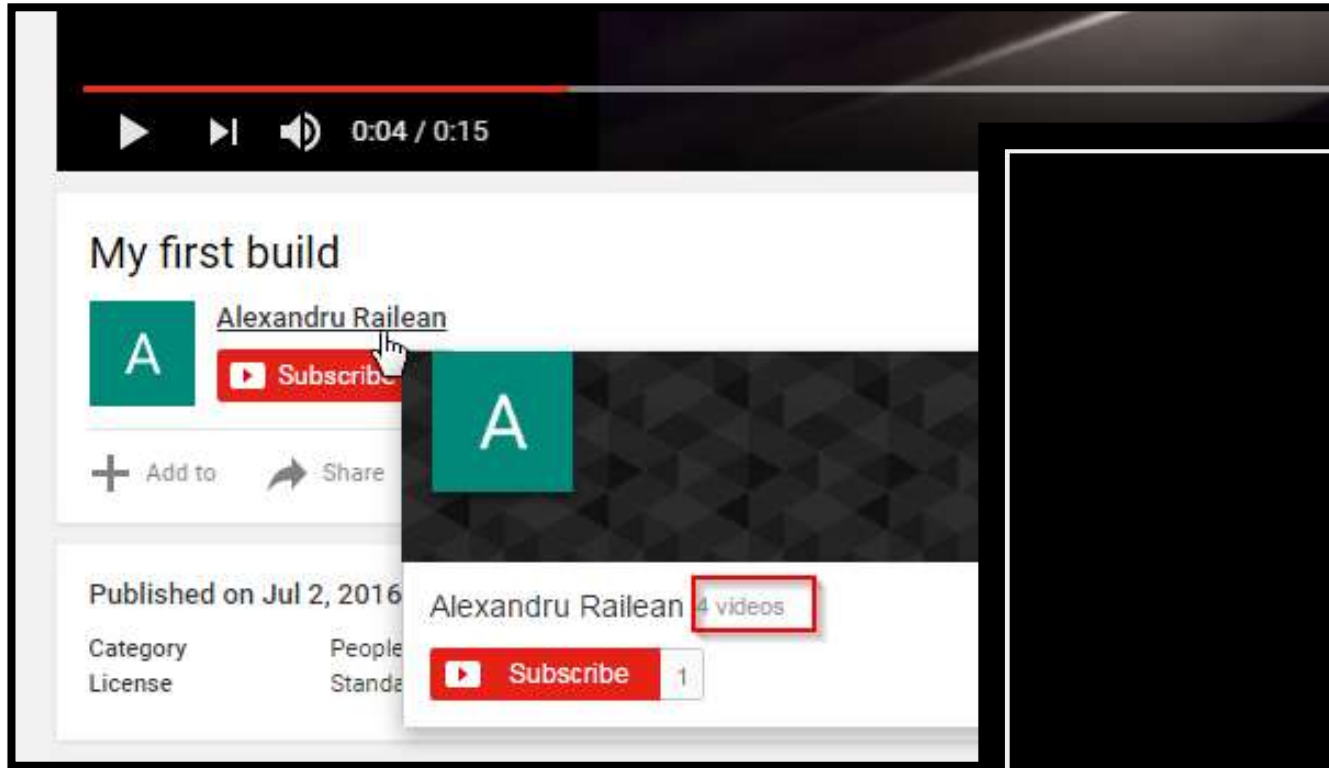
Submitter

34 months ago 1 point

The cooler connector has 4 pin but on my motherboard i have about 4 slots for that, does it matter where i connect them ?
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zBVSgn_h7iU This is the video. I'm not sure if its ok to be this loud

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POS malware: YouTube profile



0:04 / 0:15

My first build

Alexandru Railean

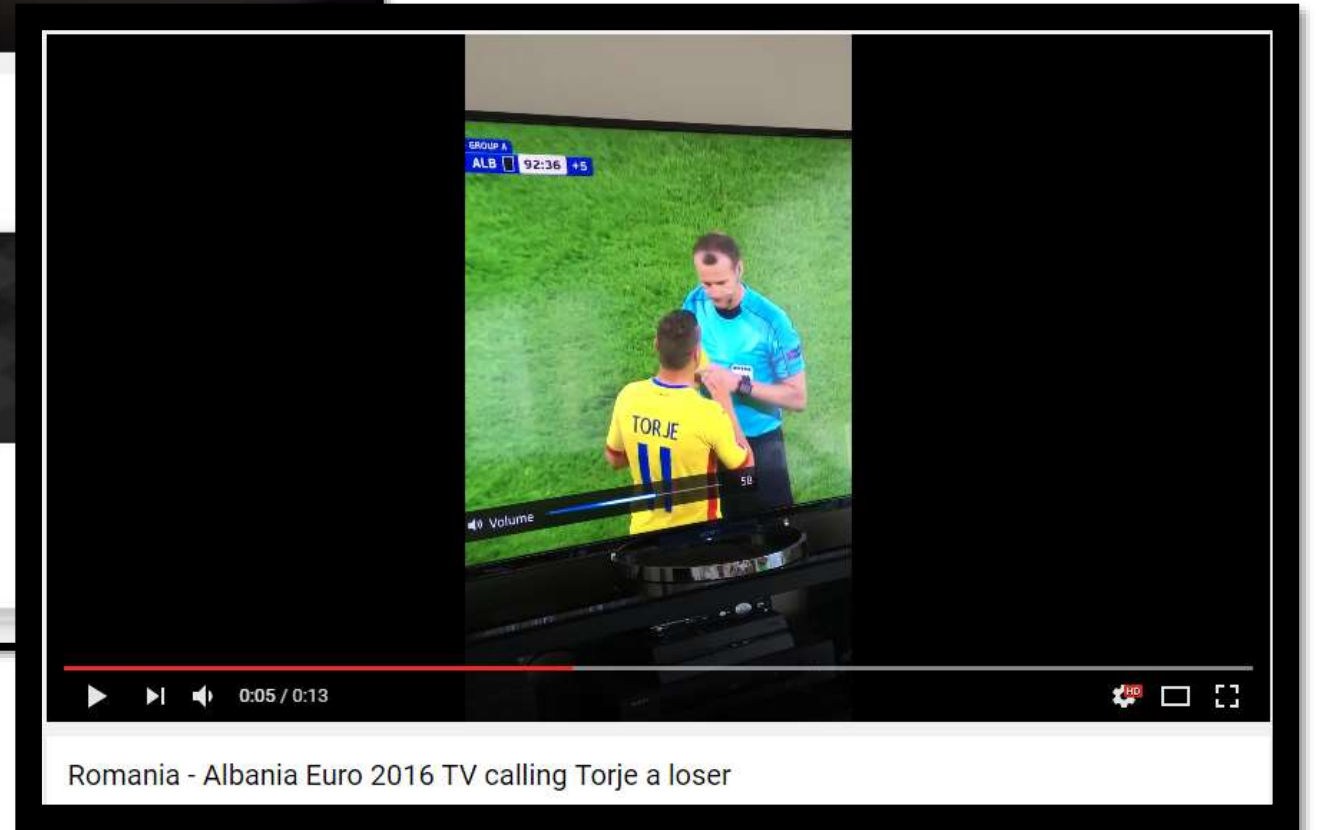
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POS malware: YouTube Videos time and links

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Ce vina are Iordanescu ca jucatorii sunt loseri ? Pana si comentatorii din state i-au numit pe jucatorii romani Loseri: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m5cJOOjFth>

POS malware: Google ID

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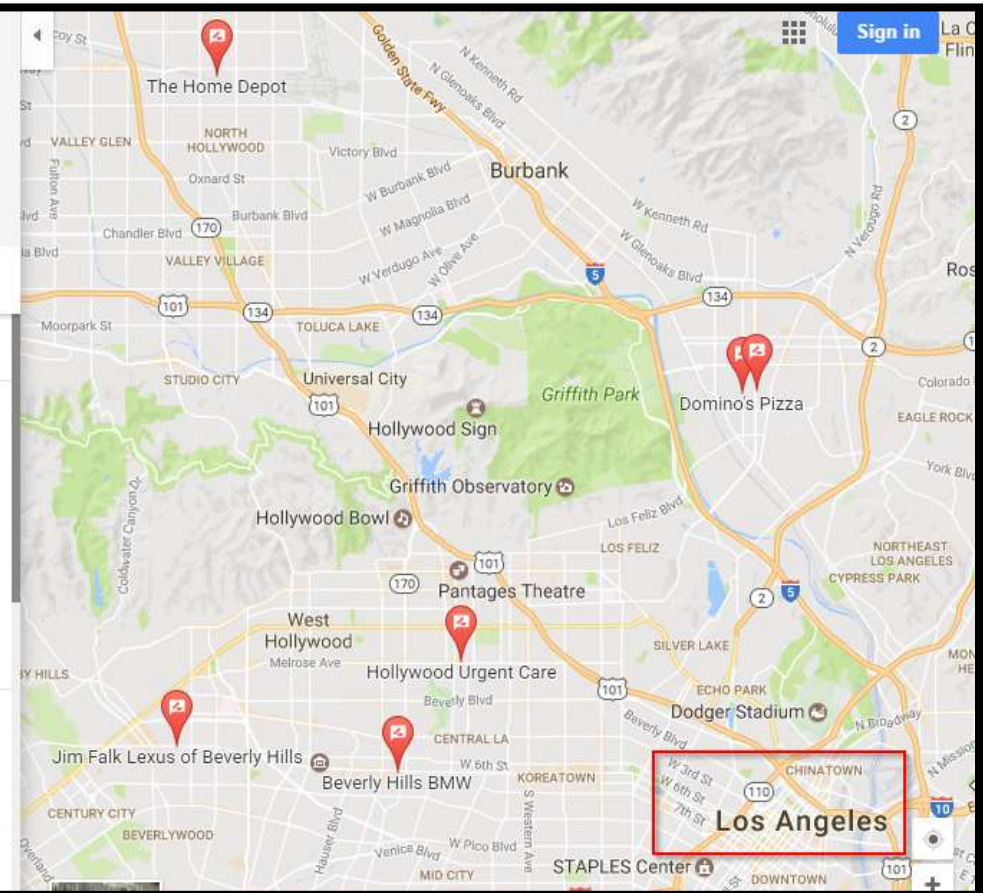
Alexandru Railean
5 contributions

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Jim Falk Lexus of Beverly Hills
9230 Wilshire Blvd, Beverly Hills, CA 90212
★★★★★ a year ago
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Helpful?

Hollywood Urgent Care
5717 Melrose Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90038
★★★★★ a year ago
Parking is small but the doctor who took my blood test was very professional and patient to explain to me every detail of the test. I would recommend this place





Interaction with Interpol: a researcher perspective

Interaction with Interpol: preparation



Backup all the clues



Write a comprehensive report

Interview with CFC officers



CFC Interpol building in SG

Waiting...



...and more waiting...



Bingo!

During the course of its seven-year history, the Infraud Organization inflicted approximately \$2.2 billion in intended losses, and more than \$530 million in actual losses, on a wide swath of financial institutions, merchants, and private individuals, and would have continued to do so for the foreseeable future if left unchecked.

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- Amjad Ali aka "Amjad Ali Chaudary," aka "RedruMZ," aka "Amjad Chaudary," 35, of Pakistan;
- Roland Patrick N'Djimbi Tchikaya aka "Darker," aka "dark3r.cvv," 37, of France;
- Miroslav Kovacevic aka "Goldjunge," 32, of Serbia;
- Frederick Thomas aka "Mosto," aka "1stunna," aka "Bestssn," 37, of Alabama;
- Osama Abdelhamed aka "MrShrnofr," aka "DrOsama," aka "DrOsama1," 27, of Egypt;
- Besart Hoxha aka "Pizza," 25, of Kosovo;
- Raihan Ahmed aka "Chan," aka "Cyber Hacker," aka "Mae Tony," aka "Tony," 26, of Bangladesh;
- Andrey Sergeevich Novak aka "Unicc," aka "Faaxxx," aka "Faxtrod" of the Russian Federation;
- Valerian Chiochuiu aka "Onassis," aka "Flagler," aka "Socrate," aka "Ecclesiastes," 28, of Moldova;
- John Doe #8 aka "Aimless88;"
- Gennaro Fioretti aka "DannyLogort," aka "Genny Fioretti," 56, of Italy;

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How to start your investigation

Following the footprints

False Flags

Interaction with Interpol

Investigation example

Let's Talk?

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