Class 20

CSC 471 Modern Malware Analysis
Volatility

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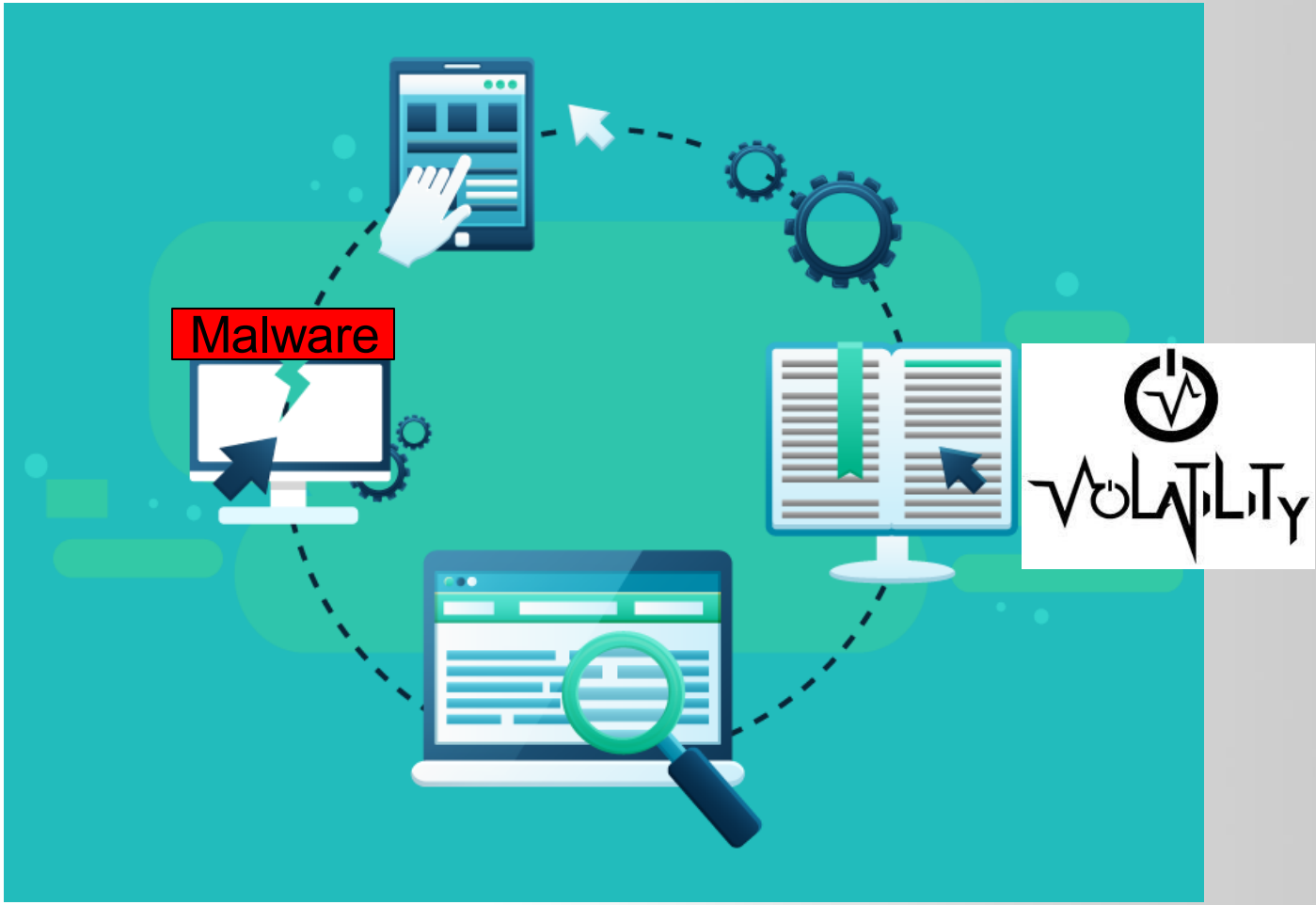
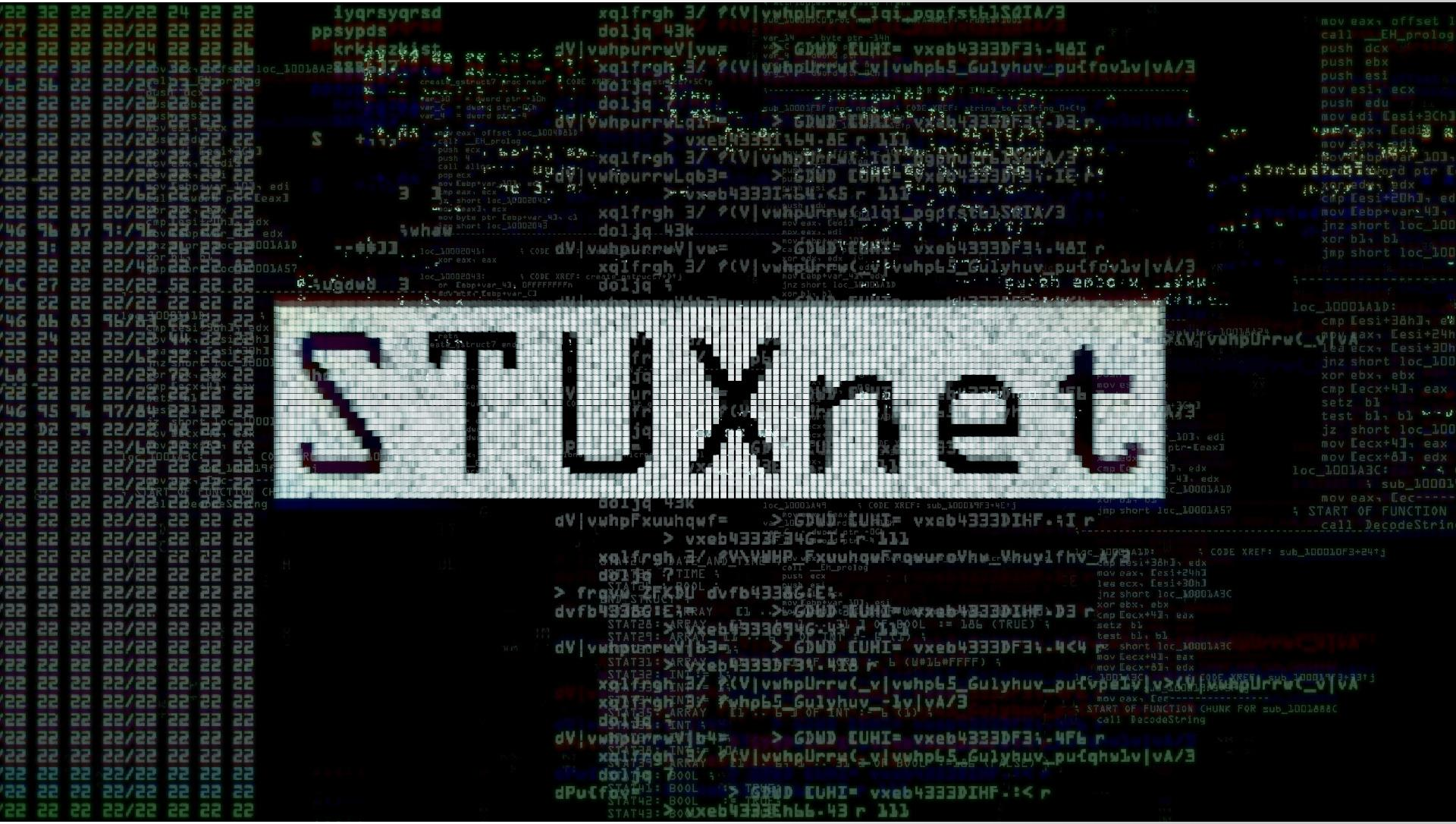


https://github.com/volatilityfoundation/volatility

STUXnet



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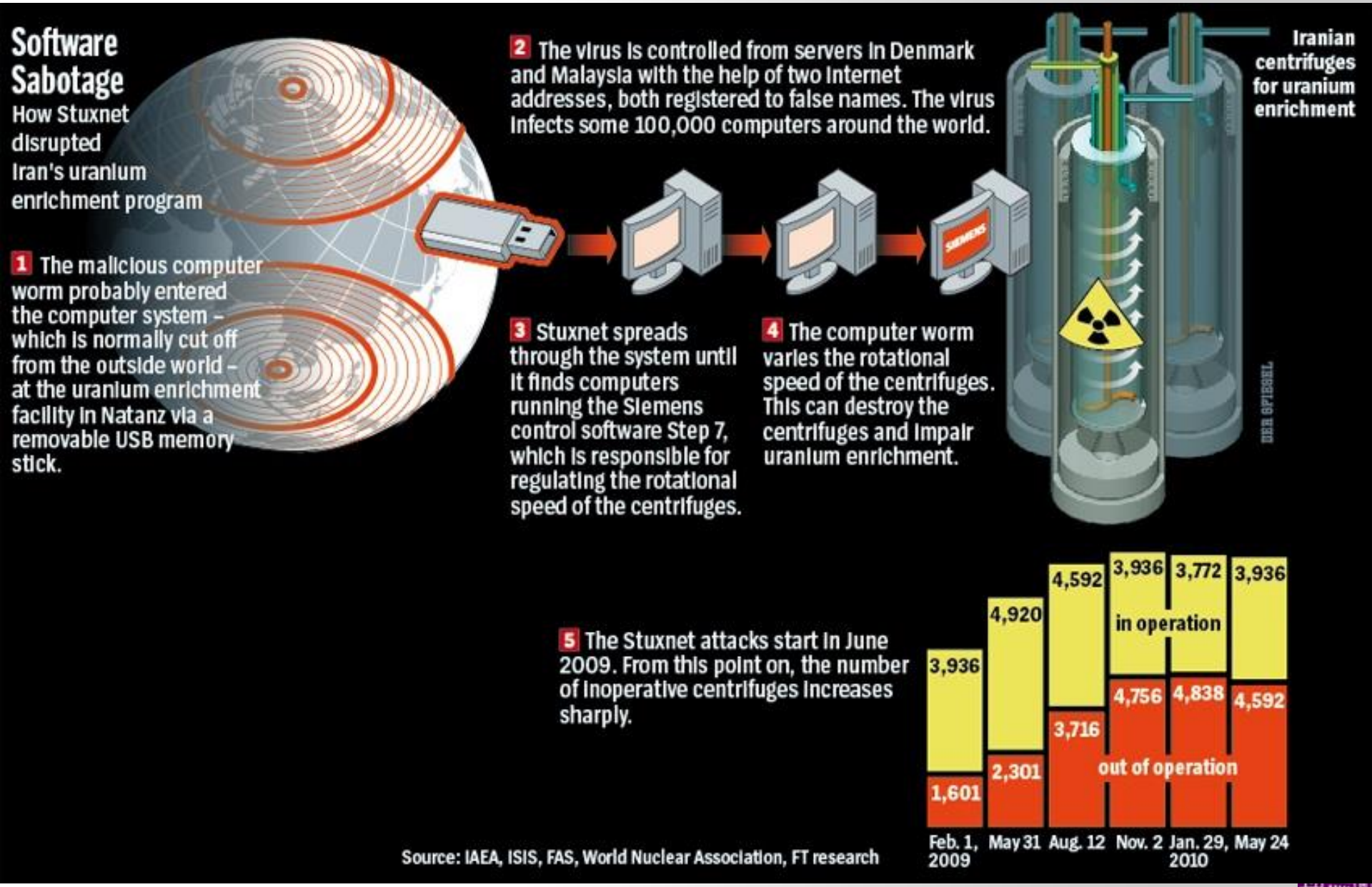
Software Sabotage
How Stuxnet disrupted Iran's uranium enrichment program
1 The malicious computer worm probably entered the computer system – which is normally cut off from the outside world – at the uranium enrichment facility in Natanz via a removable USB memory stick.
2 The virus is controlled from servers in Denmark and Malaysia with the help of two Internet addresses, both registered to false names. The virus infects some 100,000 computers around the world.
3 Stuxnet spreads through the system until it finds computers running the Siemens control software Step 7, which is responsible for regulating the rotational speed of the centrifuges.
4 The computer worm varies the rotational speed of the centrifuges. This can destroy the centrifuges and impair uranium enrichment.
Iranian centrifuges for uranium enrichment
5 The Stuxnet attacks start in June 2009. From this point on, the number of inoperative centrifuges increases sharply.
in operation
out of operation
3,936
1,601
4,920
2,301
4,592
3,716
3,936
4,756
3,772
4,838
3,936
4,592
Feb. 1, 2009
May 31
Aug. 12
Nov. 2
Jan. 29, 2010
May 24
Source: IAEA, ISIS, FAS, World Nuclear Association, FT research

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```
vol.py -f stuxnet.vmem devicetree
```

```
DRV 0x022e54f8 \Driver\MRxNet
---| DEV 0x82125f10  FILE_DEVICE_DISK_FILE_SYSTEM
---| DEV 0x81dc49c0  FILE_DEVICE_DISK_FILE_SYSTEM
---| DEV 0x81fd59c0  FILE_DEVICE_CD_ROM_FILE_SYSTEM
---| DEV 0x81c8b500  FILE_DEVICE_CD_ROM_FILE_SYSTEM
---| DEV 0x821354b8  FILE_DEVICE_NETWORK_FILE_SYSTEM
---| DEV 0x81f0fc58  FILE_DEVICE_NETWORK_FILE_SYSTEM
---| DEV 0x81c0a910  FILE_DEVICE_NETWORK_FILE_SYSTEM
---| DEV 0x8226ef10  FILE_DEVICE_CD_ROM_FILE_SYSTEM
---| DEV 0x81f0ab90  FILE_DEVICE_DISK_FILE_SYSTEM
---| DEV 0x81fb9680  FILE_DEVICE_DISK_FILE_SYSTEM
---| DEV 0x82104700  FILE_DEVICE_DISK_FILE_SYSTEM
```

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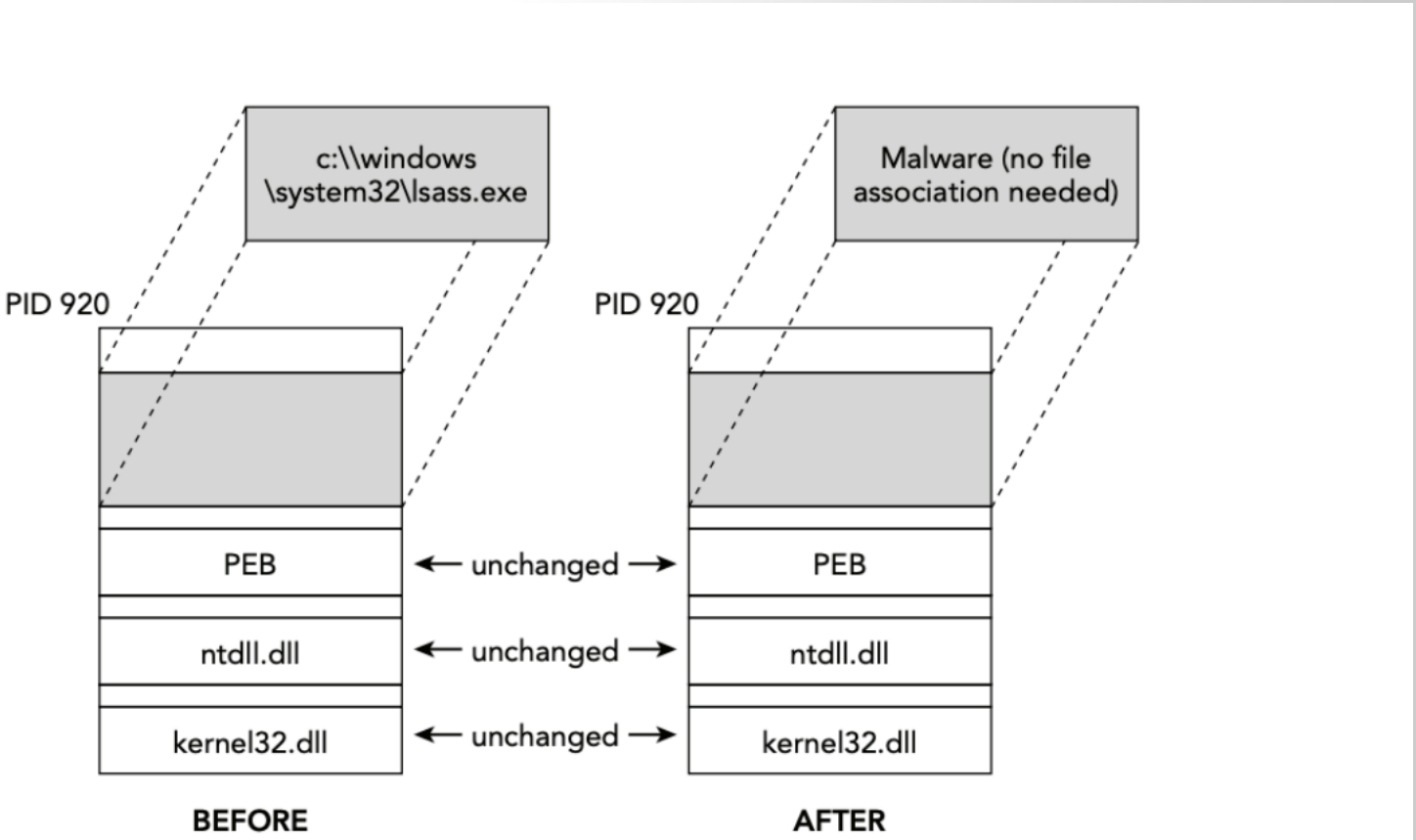
```
DRV 0x0205e5a8 \FileSystem\vmhgfs
---| DEV 0x820f0030 hgfsInternal UNKNOWN
---| DEV 0x821a1030 HGFS FILE_DEVICE_NETWORK_FILE_SYSTEM
------| ATT 0x81f5d020  - \FileSystem\FltMgr FILE_DEVICE_NETWORK_FILE_SYSTEM
---------| ATT 0x821354b8  - \Driver\MRxNet FILE_DEVICE_NETWORK_FILE_SYSTEM
```

```
DRV 0x02476da0 \FileSystem\Cdfs
---| DEV 0x81e636c8 Cdfs FILE_DEVICE_CD_ROM_FILE_SYSTEM
------| ATT 0x81fac548  - \FileSystem\FltMgr FILE_DEVICE_CD_ROM_FILE_SYSTEM
---------| ATT 0x8226ef10  - \Driver\MRxNet FILE_DEVICE_CD_ROM_FILE_SYSTEM
```

```
DRV 0x023ae880 \FileSystem\MRxSmb
---| DEV 0x81da95d0 LanmanDatagramReceiver FILE_DEVICE_NETWORK_BROWSER
---| DEV 0x81ee5030 LanmanRedirector FILE_DEVICE_NETWORK_FILE_SYSTEM
------| ATT 0x81bf1020  - \FileSystem\FltMgr FILE_DEVICE_NETWORK_FILE_SYSTEM
---------| ATT 0x81f0fc58  - \Driver\MRxNet FILE_DEVICE_NETWORK_FILE_SYSTEM
```

Now Stuxnet can filter or hide specifically named files and directories on those file systems!

Hollow Process Injection




```
root@2f94317be09e:/workdir # vol.py -f stuxnet.vmem pstree
```

Virtual address descriptor (VAD)

- The Virtual Address Descriptor tree is **used by the Windows memory manager to describe memory ranges used by a process as they are allocated**. When a process allocates memory with VirutalAlloc, the memory manager creates an entry in the VAD tree.

- As a result of being hollowed, the virtual address descriptor (VAD) characteristics for the region are drastically different. Only the legitimate one still has a copy of the lsass.exe file mapped into the region.

API Hooking

- Based on Symantec report, Stuxnet has hooked Ntdll.dll to monitor for requests to load specially crafted file names.
- These specially crafted filenames are mapped to another location instead — a location specified by Stuxnet.
- The functions hooked for this purpose in Ntdll.dll are:
  - ZwMapViewOfSection
  - ZwCreateSection
  - ZwOpenFile
  - ZwCloseFile
  - ZwQueryAttributesFile
  - ZwQuerySection

API Hooking

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**************************************************
Hook mode: Usermode
Hook type: NT Syscall
Process: 940 (svchost.exe)
Victim module: ntdll.dll (0x7c900000 - 0x7c9af000
Function: ZwOpenFile
Hook address: 0x7c90004c
Hooking module: ntdll.dll

Disassembly(0):
0x7c90d580 b874000000       MOV EAX, 0x74
0x7c90d585 ba4c00907c       MOV EDX, 0x7c90004c
0x7c90d58a ffd2             CALL EDX
0x7c90d58c c21800           RET 0x18
0x7c90d58f 90               NOP
0x7c90d590 b875000000       MOV EAX, 0x75
0x7c90d595 ba               DB 0xba
0x7c90d596 0003             ADD [EBX], AL

Disassembly(1):
0x7c90004c b202             MOV DL, 0x2
0x7c90004e eb0c             JMP 0x7c90005c
0x7c900050 b203             MOV DL, 0x3
0x7c900052 eb08             JMP 0x7c90005c
0x7c900054 b204             MOV DL, 0x4
0x7c900056 eb04             JMP 0x7c90005c
0x7c900058 b205             MOV DL, 0x5
0x7c90005a eb00             JMP 0x7c90005c
0x7c90005c 52               PUSH EDX
0x7c90005d e804000000       CALL 0x7c900066
0x7c900062 f2               DB 0xf2
0x7c900063 00               DB 0x0
```

```
vol.py -f stuxnet.vmem apihooks
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API Hooking

0x00bf00f2

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0x7c900058 b205                  MOV DL, 0x5
0x7c90005a eb00                  JMP 0x7c90005c
0x7c90005c 52                    PUSH EDX
0x7c90005d e804000000            CALL 0x7c900066
0x7c900062 f200bf005aff22        ADD [EDI+0x22ff5a00], BH
0x7c900069 696e20444f5320        IMUL EBP, [ESI+0x20], 0x20534f44
```

```
>>> dis(0x7c900066)
0x7c900066 5a                    POP EDX
0x7c900067 ff22                  JMP DWORD [EDX]
0x7c900069 696e20444f5320        IMUL EBP, [ESI+0x20], 0x20534f44
0x7c900070 6d                    INS DWORD [EDI], DX
0x7c900071 6f                    OUTS DX, DWORD [ESI]
0x7c900072 64652e0d0d0a2400      OR EAX, 0x240a0d
```

1. When the CALL at 0x7c90005d is executed, its return address (0x7c900062) is pushed onto the stack.
2. The POP EDX instruction at 0x7c900066 then removes that value from the stack and places it in EDX.
3. At 0x7c900067 , EDX is dereferenced and called. So the pointer being dereferenced is stored in 0x7c900062 .

Kernel Callback

- A **callback function** is one which is passed as an argument to another function and is invoked after the completion of the parent function.
  - In other words **callback** is a piece of executable code that is passed as an argument to other code, which is expected to *call back* (execute) the argument at some convenient time.
- Kernel Callback
  - Supported on 64 bit systems
  - Safe for multicore machines
  - Lists of events:
    - Process creation
    - Thread creation
    - System shutdown
    - File system registration
    - PnP(Plug and Play)
    - etc…

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```
[quake0day@archlinux ~]$ python2 /usr/bin/vol.py -f stuxnet.vmem --profile=WinXPSP3x86 callbacks
Volatility Foundation Volatility Framework 2.6.1
Type                            Callback   Module              Details
------------------------------- ---------- ------------------- -------
IoRegisterShutdownNotification  0xf88ddc74 Cdfs.SYS            \FileSystem\Cdfs
IoRegisterShutdownNotification  0xf8bb05be Fs_Rec.SYS          \FileSystem\Fs_Rec
IoRegisterShutdownNotification  0xf8303c6a VIDEOPRT.SYS        \Driver\VgaSave
IoRegisterShutdownNotification  0xb2d108fa vmhgfs.sys          \FileSystem\vmhgfs
IoRegisterShutdownNotification  0xf8bb05be Fs_Rec.SYS          \FileSystem\Fs_Rec
IoRegisterShutdownNotification  0xf8303c6a VIDEOPRT.SYS        \Driver\mnmdd
IoRegisterShutdownNotification  0xf8303c6a VIDEOPRT.SYS        \Driver\vmx_svga
IoRegisterShutdownNotification  0xf8303c6a VIDEOPRT.SYS        \Driver\RDPCDD
IoRegisterShutdownNotification  0xf86aa73a MountMgr.sys        \Driver\MountMgr
IoRegisterShutdownNotification  0xf8bb05be Fs_Rec.SYS          \FileSystem\Fs_Rec
IoRegisterShutdownNotification  0xf8bb05be Fs_Rec.SYS          \FileSystem\Fs_Rec
IoRegisterShutdownNotification  0xf8bb05be Fs_Rec.SYS          \FileSystem\Fs_Rec
IoRegisterShutdownNotification  0xf853c2be ftdisk.sys          \Driver\Ftdisk
IoRegisterShutdownNotification  0x805cdef4 ntoskrnl.exe        \FileSystem\RA
IoRegisterShutdownNotification  0xf83d98f1 Mup.sys             \FileSystem\
IoRegisterShutdownNotification  0x805f5d66 ntoskrnl.exe        \Driver\
IoRegisterFsRegistrationChange  0xf84be876 sr.sys              -
GenericKernelCallback           0xf87ad194 vmci.sys            -
IoRegisterFsRegistrationChange  0xb21d89ec mrxnet.sys          -
GenericKernelCallback           0xb240ce4c PROCMON20.SYS       -
GenericKernelCallback           0x805f81a6 ntoskrnl.exe        -
GenericKernelCallback           0xb240cc9a PROCMON20.SYS       -
GenericKernelCallback           0xf895ad06 mrxcls.sys          -
GenericKernelCallback           0xb240cb94 PROCMON20.SYS       -
GenericKernelCallback           0xb240cb94 PROCMON20.SYS       -
IoRegisterFsRegistrationChange  0xf84d54b8 fltMgr.sys          -
PsSetLoadImageNotifyRoutine     0xb240ce4c PROCMON20.SYS       -
PsSetLoadImageNotifyRoutine     0x805f81a6 ntoskrnl.exe        -
PsSetLoadImageNotifyRoutine     0xf895ad06 mrxcls.sys          -
PsSetCreateThreadNotifyRoutine  0xb240cc9a PROCMON20.SYS       -
PsSetCreateProcessNotifyRoutine 0xf87ad194 vmci.sys            -
PsSetCreateProcessNotifyRoutine 0xb240cb94 PROCMON20.SYS       -
KeBugCheckCallbackListHead      0xf83e65ef NDIS.sys            Ndis miniport
KeBugCheckCallbackListHead      0x806d77cc hal.dll             ACPI 1.0 - APIC platform UP
KeRegisterBugCheckReasonCallback 0xf8b7aab8 mssmbios.sys       SMBiosDa
KeRegisterBugCheckReasonCallback 0xf8b7aa70 mssmbios.sys       SMBiosRe
KeRegisterBugCheckReasonCallback 0xf8b7aa28 mssmbios.sys       SMBiosDa
KeRegisterBugCheckReasonCallback 0xf82e01be USBPORT.SYS        USBPORT
KeRegisterBugCheckReasonCallback 0xf82e011e USBPORT.SYS        USBPORT
KeRegisterBugCheckReasonCallback 0xf82f7522 VIDEOPRT.SYS       Videoprt
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Now Stuxnet can receive notification when new file system become available – So it can immediately spread or hide files

And is able to inject code into process when they try to load other DLLs.

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Q & A