

Security Trend of New Computing Era

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Agenda

- Security Threat Overview
- Introduction of Botnet
- Impact of Botnet
- Fight Back Botnet
- Security Protection Scheme



Security Threat Overview



Security Threat - Trend

- Cloud Computing
 - Data
- Social Network
 - Privacy
- Mobile Security
 - -Apps



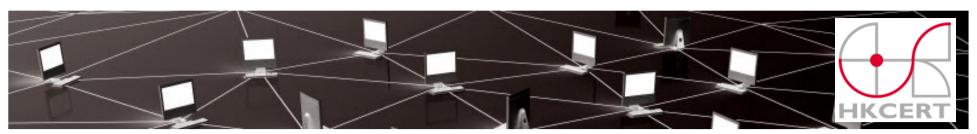
Security Threat - Type

- Phishing/Defacement
- Malicious Code Injection / SQL Injection
- Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS)
- Malware
- Botnet
- etc...



Security Threat - Impact

- Financial Loss
- Data Loss
- Identity Theft
- Service unavailability



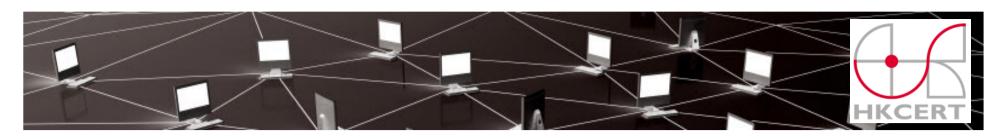
Security Threat -Underground Economy

Rank	Item	Percentage	Range of Prices
1	Credit cards	28%	\$1 - \$30
2	Bank accounts	24%	\$10 - \$125
3	Email accounts	8%	\$5 - \$12
4	Email addresses	5%	\$5 - \$10 per MB
5	Credit card dumps	4%	No specified prices
6	R57 & C99 shells	3%	\$2 - \$5
7	Full identity	3%	\$3 - \$20
8	Mailers	3%	\$1 - \$5
9	Attack toolkits	3%	\$5 - \$20 or \$120 per month
10	Cash-out services	2%	\$200 - 100 or 50% - 70%

Fig 1 - Sales ranking on underground economy (Source from Symantec)



Introduction of Botnet



What is Botnet?

- Botnet (aka Zombie Network, 殭屍網路)
- A collection of compromised computers (called bots, zombie) under a common command-and-control (called C&C) infrastructure.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Botnet



Botnet Structure

- Bot Herder/Master
- Command and Control Servers (C&C, C2)

• Bots

C&C

C&C

bot

Fig 2 - Typical Botnet structure bot bot



Spread Channel

- Website
- Email
- Instant Messenger (IM)
- P2P file sharing network
- Mobile device application



Code Injection

 Hidden iframe direct to the malicious website contains vulnerability exploit

 1H of 2010, over 2,500 Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE) recorded. Apple is top vendors of CVE,

issued about 180.

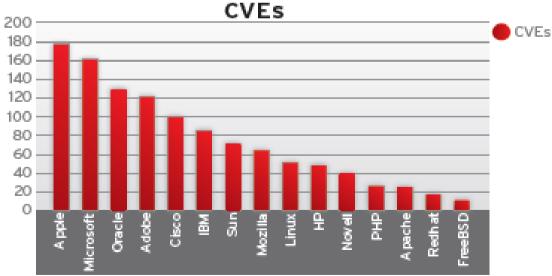


Fig 3 - Source from Trend Micro



- Malicious Multimedia Content
 - Exploit media player vulnerability
 - Malicious codec file installation



Fig 4 – Fake YouTube website delivers malware (Kooface)



- Search Engine Optimization Poisoning (aka Black hat SEO)
 - Using unethical SEO techniques in order to obtain a higher search ranking to post malicious link on hot topic



Fig 5 - Black hat SEO exploit Google search



- Malvertisting (malicious advertising)
 - Use of online advertising to spread malware



Fig 6 - In Apr 2010, malicious advertisement display fake security warnings



Email

- Malicious attachment
 - Ms office document, .doc, .xls, .ppt
 - -.pdf
 - -.lnk
 - -.swf
- Malicious link embedded

E.g. Pushdo, Waledac, Kooface



Instant Messenger

- MSN, QQ
 - Embedding link
 - File transfer

E.g. Mariposa



P2P File sharing network

• BT, eMule, Foxy etc.



E.g. Storm, Waledac, Nugache



Mobile Device Application

- Zeus ver 2.0, Man in the mobile (Mitmo)
- Reported in Sep 2010
- Installed in mobile devices like BlackBerry and Symbian mobile phones
- Sniff all the SMS messages that are being delivered.
- Steals both the online username and password



Malware

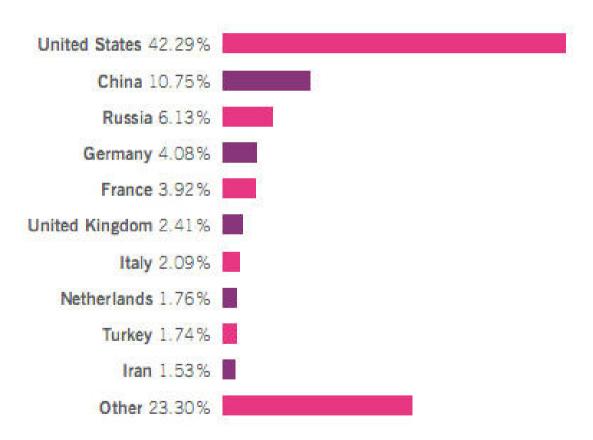


Fig 7 - Top 10 malware hosting countries (Source from SOPHOS)



Communication Channel

- IRC
- HTTP/HTTPS
- P2P
- Twitter



Twitter



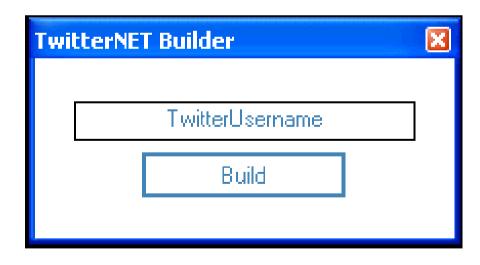
Fig 8. Botnet use twitter to deliver the command (Source from Arbot Networks)



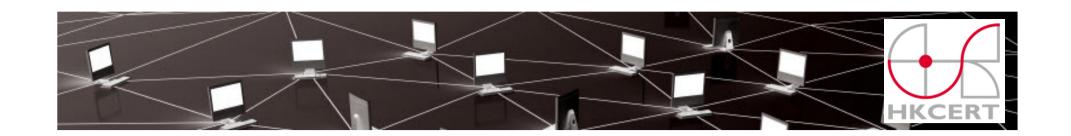
Twitter

 TwitterNet Builder- A kit for building Twitter Botnet









Impact of Botnet

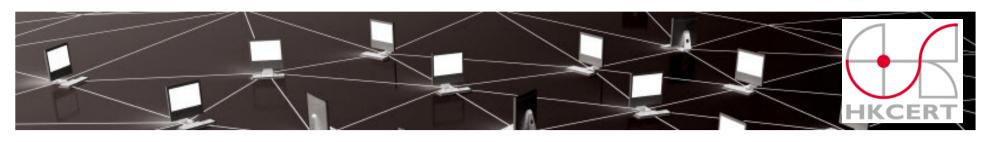


Global botnet infection rate

Country/Region	3Q09	4Q09	1Q10	2Q10
Korea	6.3	6.1	17.4	14.6
Spain	6.9	11.0	17.3	12.4
Mexico	3.5	6.7	14.8	11.4
Worldwide	2.5	2.5	4.0	3.2
China	1.4	1.0	1.3	1.0
Hong Kong S.A.R.	1.3	1.2	1.6	1.1

Fig 9 – Microsoft Security Intelligence Report Vol.9

 88 locations around the world, no of computers cleaned for every 1,000 execution of MSRT.



Global botnet infection

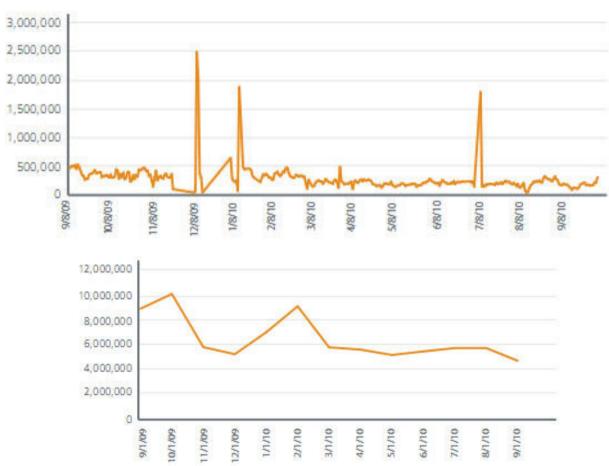
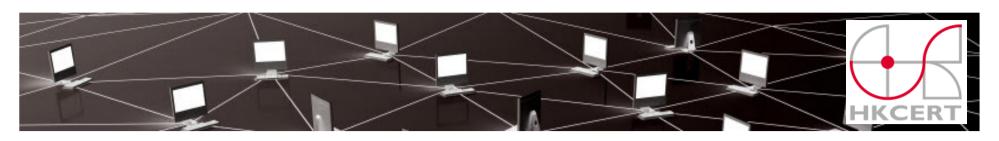


Fig 10 – Bot infection statistics (Source from Mcafee)



Active Botnet Families

	Family	Primary Control Mechanism	Computers Cleaned (1Q10)	Computers Cleaned (2Q10)	Change
1	Win32/Rimecud	Other	1,807,773	1,748,260	-3.3% ▼
2	Win32/Alureon	НТТР	1,463,885	1,035,079	-29 . 3% ▼
3	Win32/Hamweq	IRC	1,117,380	779,731	-3 0.2 % ▼
4	Win32/Pushbot	IRC	474,761	589,248	24.1% 🔺
5	Win32/IRCbot	IRC	597,654	388,749	-35.0% ▼
6	Win32/Koobface	HTTP	222,041	383,633	72.8% 🔺
7	Win32/FlyAgent	НТТР	221,613	293,432	32.4% ▲
8	Win32/Virut	IRC	227,272	284,519	25.2% 🔺
9	Autolt/Renocide	IRC	167,041	178,816	7.0% 🔺
10	Win32/Hupigon	Other	178,706	177,280	-0.8% ▼

Fig 11 - Top 10 bot families detected (Source from Microsoft)



Botnet Ecosystem

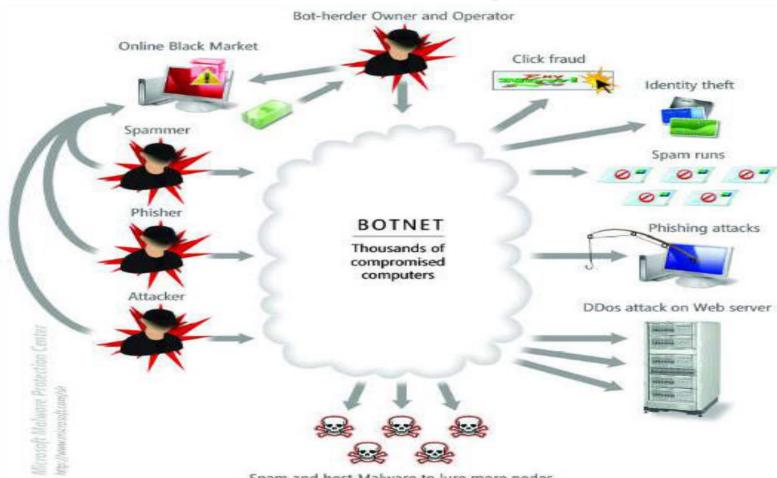
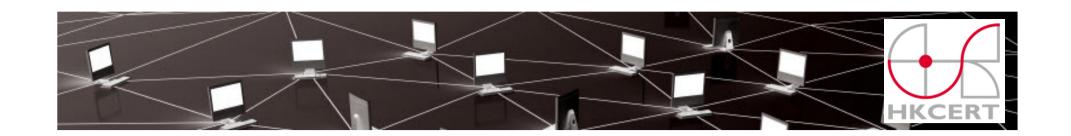


Fig 12 - Source from microsoft Spam and host Malware to lure more nodes



Fight Back Botnet



Fight Back

Year 2010 is becoming a good year in shutting

down big botnets.

- Mariposa
- Waledac
- Bredolab
- ZeuS





- Mariposa, (butterfly in Spanish)
- Discovered in December 2008
- 12.7 million bots in more than



- 190 countries (Top country India, Top city Seoul)
- Spread via IM, P2P file sharing, website exploit IE vulnerability

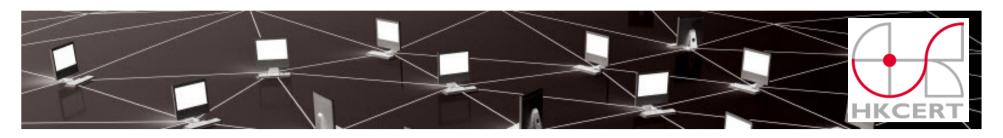
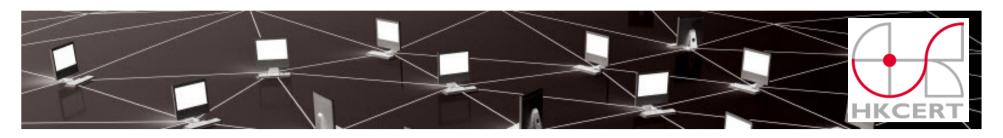


Fig 13 – Mariposa C&C server

- More than 200 binaries
- Connect the C&C using anonymous VPN service



- Stole credit card, banking credentials, user identity (username, password)
- Belonging to more than 800,000 users.



- Mariposa Working Group (MWG) established in May 2009
- Members:

DefenceIntelligence.













- In Dec 2009, MWG took control of the Mariposa Botnet
- In Feb 2010 arrested the leader (alias "Netkairo") by Spanish Civil Guard
- In Jul 2010, arrested the suspected creator (alias "Iserdo") by Slovenian police



Lesson Learned

- 97% bots use DNS to locate C&C, detect the bots by DNS activity
- Sinkhole the domain used by C&C server

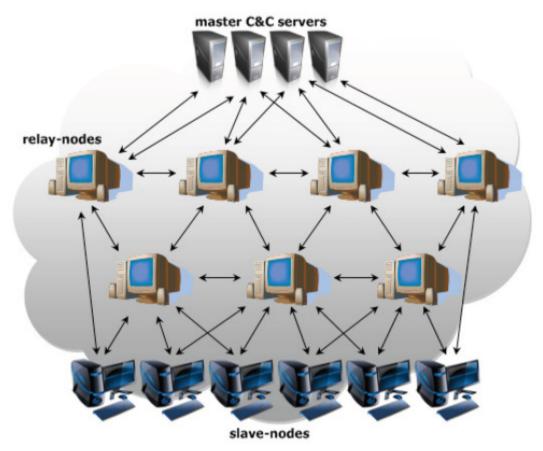


- Waledac
- Discovered in Apr 2008
- Estimated 70,000 90,000 infected computers
- Spread via email
- 1.5 billion spam messages a day (about 1% of the total global spam volume)
- Connect the C&C using P2P network

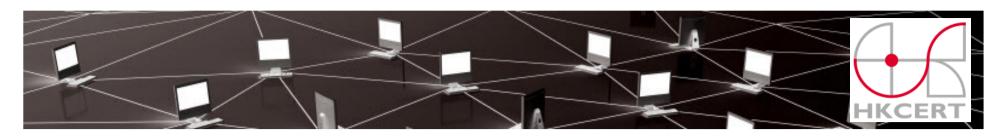


- Fraudulent greeting cards and breaking news events.
- Email contains a link point to a malicious websites
- Deliver exploit code when visited
 - Adobe reader, Flash, IE, MS Office components etc.





• Fig 14 - Waledac P2P communication structure (Source from Symantec)



- "Operation b49" initiated by Microsoft's Digital Crimes Unit
- Members:











 In Feb 2010, Cut off 273 "Harmful botnet domains used by Waledac



Waledac Tracker

http://www.sudosecure.net/waledac/index.php

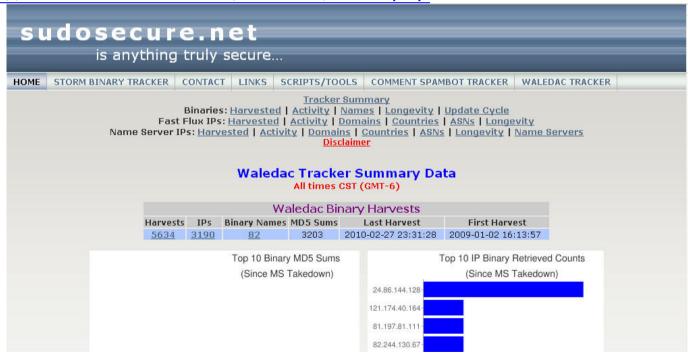


Fig 15 – Waledac Tracker (Source from sudosecure)



Lesson learned

- Solved legal issue
 - Microsoft Corporation v. John Does 1-27, et. al.

http://www.microsoft.com/presspass/events/rsa/docs/Complaint.pdf



Security Protection Scheme



Security Protection Scheme

- Anti-virus/Anti-malware
- Firewall
- Apply security patches
- Malicious Website detection
- File analysis



Anti-virus/Anti-malware

- Deploy Cloud technology
- A unknown application is launched, ask the cloud network to look up this application
- Immediate protection against the latest threats



Firewall

- In-bound and out-bound detection
- Open ports detection
- Unknown application warning
- System change warning
- Sandbox
- Logging



Apply security patches

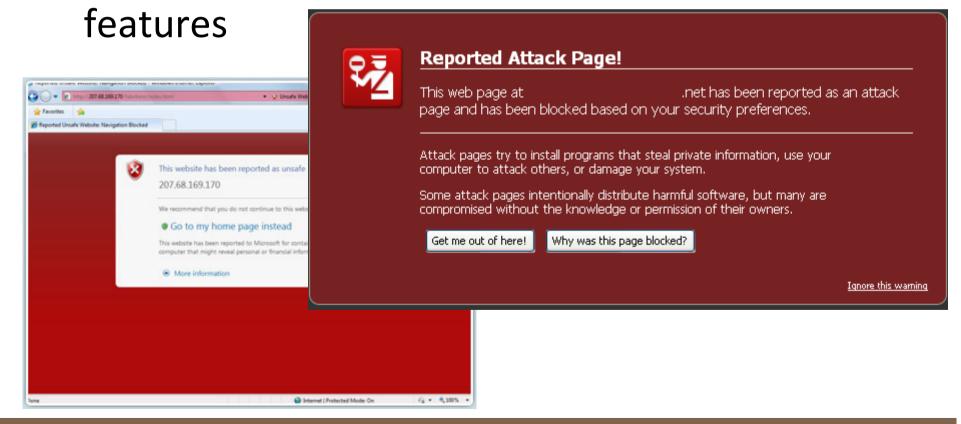
- Vendor's OS and application update checking features
- Secunia Personal Software Inspector (PSI)

http://secunia.com/vulnerability_scanning/personal/





• IE 8, Firefox 3 built-in website detection





Google Safe Browsing





Wepawet

http://www.mywot.com/en/download

Wepawet (alpha)

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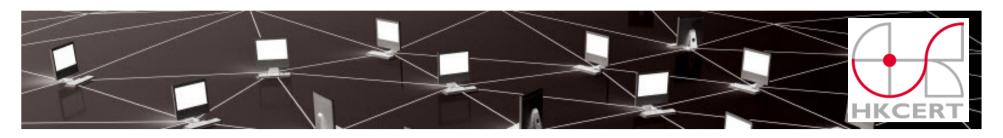
WEPAWET is a service for detecting and analyzing web-based ma

To use WEPAWET:

- 1. Upload a sample or specify a URL
- 2. Wait for the resource to be analyzed
- 3. Review the generated report
- MonkeyWrench

http://monkeywrench.de/index.html





- Blocklist
 - Malware Domain Blocklist

DNS-BH - Malware Domain Blocklist

Malware Prevention through Domain Blocking (Black Hole DNS Sinkhole)

http://www.malwaredomains.com/files/domains.txt

ZeuS Blocklist

https://zeustracker.abuse.ch/blocklist.php

SpyEye Blocklist

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File Analysis

VirusTotal

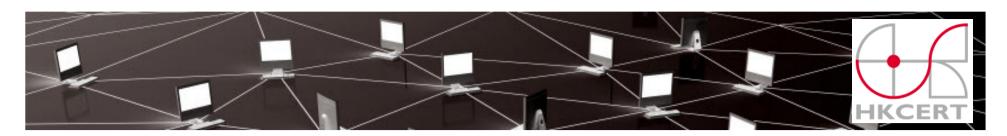
http://www.virustotal.com



Virustotal is a **service that analyzes suspicious files and URLs** and facilitates the quick detection of viruses, worms, trojans, and all kinds of malware detected by antivirus engines. More information...



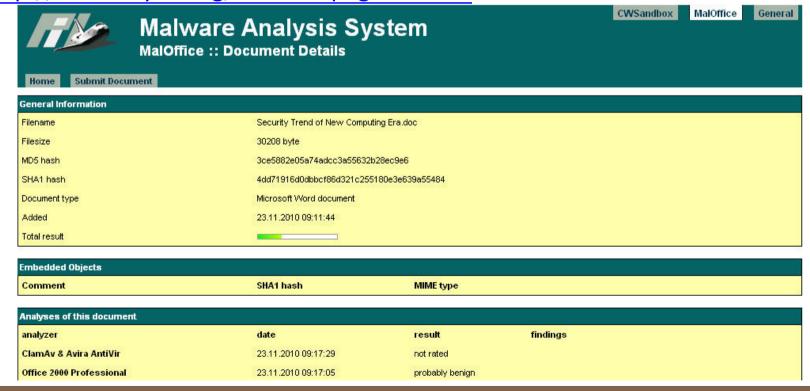
Hong Kong Clean PC Day 2010 Seminar (Nov)

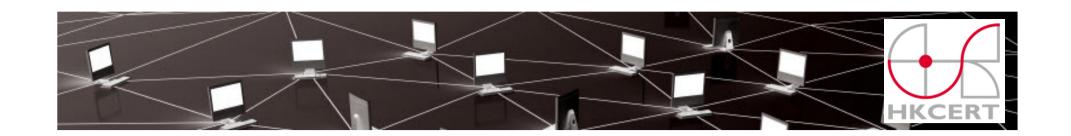


File Analysis

MalOffice

http://mwanalysis.org/?site=7&page=submit





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