

Part 1 -Reversing and Decrypting Communications of HeartBeat RAT

HGSLCRGSL KVL
Monnappa



www.SecurityXploded.com

Disclaimer

The Content, Demonstration, Source Code and Programs presented here is "AS IS" without any warranty or conditions of any kind. Also the views/ideas/knowledge expressed here are solely of the trainer's only and nothing to do with the company or the organization in which the trainer is currently working.

However in no circumstances neither the Trainer nor SecurityXploded is responsible for any damage or loss caused due to use or misuse of the information presented here.

Acknowledgement

- Special thanks to **Null** community for their extended support and co-operation.
- Special thanks to **ThoughtWorks** for the beautiful venue.
- Thanks to all the trainers who have devoted their precious time and countless hours to make it happen.

Advanced Malware Analysis Training

This presentation is part of our **Advanced Malware Analysis** Training program. Currently it is delivered only during our local meets for FREE of cost.



For complete details of this course, visit our [Security Training page](#).

Who am I

Monnappa

- m0nna
- Member of SecurityXploded
- Info Security Investigator @ Cisco
- Reverse Engineering, Malware Analysis, Memory Forensics
- Email: monnappa22@gmail.com
- Twitter: [@monnappa22](https://twitter.com/monnappa22)
- LinkedIn: <http://www.linkedin.com/pub/monnappa-ka-grem-ceh/42/45a/1b8>

Contents

- ⦿ Overview of Advanced threats
- ⦿ HeartBeat APT campaign
- ⦿ Part 1A – Demo (Decrypting the communications of HeartBeat RAT)
- ⦿ Part 1B – Demo (Reverse Engineering the HeartBeat RAT)
- ⦿ References

Overview of advanced threats

- **Sophisticated**
- **Stealthy**
- **Multistaged**
- **Targeted**
- **Uses zero day exploits**
- **Designed for long term manipulation**

HeartBeat APT Campaign

- **Targeted attack exposed by Trend Micro document**
<http://blog.trendmicro.com/trendlabs-security-intelligence/pulsing-the-heartbeat-apt/>
- **Targeted organizations related to the South Korean government (political parties, media outfits, South Korean military)**
- **“HeartBeat RAT” was used to gain access over their targets network**
- **In this session, we will**
 - **Part 1a) Decrypt the communications of HeartBeat RAT**
 - **Part 1b) Reverse Engineer the HeartBeat RAT**

Part 1A – Demo

**Decrypting The Communications
Of HeartBeat RAT**

HeartBeat RAT Network Traffic

Below screenshot shows the HeartBeat RAT traffic on port 80 and also shows connection to a malicious domain

The screenshot displays a Wireshark network traffic capture. The main pane shows a list of packets with the following details:

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	0.000000	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1	DNS	74	Standard query A ahnlab.myfw.us
2	0.027568	172.16.114.1	172.16.114.100	DNS	90	Standard query response A 172.16.114.1
3	19.470523	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1	TCP	62	1055 > 80 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=64240 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM=1
4	19.486250	172.16.114.1	172.16.114.100	TCP	62	80 > 1055 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=14600 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM=1
5	19.486565	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1	TCP	54	1055 > 80 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=64240 Len=0
6	42.171081	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1	HTTP	1514	Continuation or non-HTTP traffic
7	42.171195	172.16.114.1	172.16.114.100	TCP	54	80 > 1055 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1461 Win=17520 Len=0
8	42.171626	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1	HTTP	650	Continuation or non-HTTP traffic
9	42.171684	172.16.114.1	172.16.114.100	TCP	54	80 > 1055 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=2057 Win=20440 Len=0

The details pane for the selected packet (Frame 1) shows the following information:

- Frame 1: 74 bytes on wire (592 bits), 74 bytes captured (592 bits)
- Ethernet II, Src: 00:0c:29:5c:4a:77 (00:0c:29:5c:4a:77), Dst: 00:50:56:c0:00:01 (00:50:56:c0:00:01)
- Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 172.16.114.100 (172.16.114.100), Dst: 172.16.114.1 (172.16.114.1)
- User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 1025 (1025), Dst Port: 53 (53)
- Domain Name System (query)

The packet bytes pane shows the raw data in hexadecimal and ASCII:

```
0000 00 50 56 c0 00 01 00 0c 29 5c 4a 77 08 00 45 00 .PV.....)\Jw..E.
0010 00 3c 00 b1 00 00 00 11 fd 79 ac 10 72 64 ac 10 .<.....y..rd..
0020 72 01 04 01 00 35 00 28 0f 3c 28 07 01 00 00 01 r...5.(.<{.....
0030 00 00 00 00 00 00 06 61 68 6e 6c 61 62 04 6d 79 .....a hnlab.my
0040 66 77 02 75 73 00 00 01 00 01 fw.us... ..
```


Encrypted communications of HeartBeat RAT

The one shown in Red is the Header and green shows the Encrypted Traffic

The screenshot displays a network traffic analysis tool (Wireshark) with a filter set to 'tcp.stream eq 1'. The packet list shows several packets, with the 6th packet (HTTP) selected. The packet details pane shows the structure of the frame, including Ethernet II, IP, TCP, and HTTP layers. The packet bytes pane shows the raw data in hexadecimal. The 'Follow TCP Stream' window is open, showing the stream content in hexadecimal and ASCII. The first few bytes of the stream are highlighted in red, and the rest is highlighted in green.

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length
3	19.470523	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1	TCP	62
4	19.486250	172.16.114.1	172.16.114.100	TCP	62
5	19.486565	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1	TCP	54
6	42.171081	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1	HTTP	1514
7	42.171195	172.16.114.1	172.16.114.100	TCP	54
8	42.171626	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1	HTTP	650
9	42.171684	172.16.114.1	172.16.114.100	TCP	54

Frame 6: 1514 bytes on wire (12112 bits), 1514 bytes captured (12112 bits)

Ethernet II, Src: 00:0c:29:5c:4a:77 (00:0c:29:5c:4a:77), Dst: 00:50:56:c0:00:00

Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 172.16.114.100 (172.16.114.100), Dst: 172.16.114.1

Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 1055 (1055), Dst Port: 80 (80), Seq: 1055

Hypertext Transfer Protocol

0000 00 50 56 c0 00 01 00 0c 29 5c 4a 77 08 00 45 00 .PV....)\Jw..E.
0010 05 dc 00 b4 40 00 80 06 b7 e1 ac 10 72 64 ac 10@.....rd..
0020 72 01 04 1f 00 50 b5 91 cd a5 7e 3f 52 fd 50 10 r....P.....?R.P.
0030 fa f0 26 f5 00 00 0b 00 00 00 00 00 00 4f 02 ..&.....@.C.
0040 4d 02 4c 02 4c 02 43 02 2f 02 44 02 40 02 43 02 M.L.L.C./D.@.O.
0050 44 02 40 02 46 02 47 02 43 02 41 02 02 02 02 02 D.@.F.G.C.A.....
0060 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02

Decryption Script (heart_decrypt.py)

The below screenshot shows the script usage

```
^ v x root@bt: ~/Desktop/HeartBeat_pcaps
File Edit View Terminal Help
root@bt:~/Desktop/HeartBeat_pcaps# python heart_decrypt.py -h
Usage: heart_decrypt.py <HeartBeat Pcap> [Options]

Options:
  -h, --help  show this help message and exit
  -c, --check Checks the pcap for HeartBeat RAT communications
root@bt:~/Desktop/HeartBeat_pcaps#
```

Decrypted Communication

The below screenshot shows the Decrypted C2 check-in. The one marked in RED is the hostname of the infected machine

```
root@bt:~/Desktop/HeartBeat_pcaps# python heart_decrypt.py 1.pcap
HeartBeat RAT communication detected in packet number: 6
Command Code: 0b 00 00 00
Command Description: System Information (Initial C2 Check-in)
Traffic Flow: 172.16.114.100:1055 ---> 172.16.114.1:80
Decrypted Dump:
Offset      Hex Dump      ASCII Dump
-----
00000000 | 4d 00 4f 00 4e 00 4e 00 41 00 2d 00 46 00 42 00 41 | M.O.N.N.A.-.F.B.A
00000011 | 00 46 00 42 00 44 00 45 00 41 00 43 00 00 00 00 00 | .F.B.D.E.A.C.....
00000022 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
00000033 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
00000044 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
00000055 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
00000066 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
00000077 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
00000088 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
00000099 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
000000aa | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
000000bb | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
000000cc | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
```

Decrypted Communication (contd...)

```
root@bt: ~/Desktop/HeartBeat_pcaps
File Edit View Terminal Help
000001fe | 00 00 31 00 37 00 32 00 2e 00 31 00 36 00 2e 00 31 | ..1.7.2...1.6...1
0000020f | 00 31 00 34 00 2e 00 31 00 30 00 30 00 00 00 00 00 | .1.4...1.0.0....
00000220 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
00000231 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 14 01 | .....
00000242 | 00 00 05 00 00 00 01 00 00 00 28 0a 00 00 02 00 00 | .....
00000253 | 00 53 00 65 00 72 00 76 00 69 00 63 00 65 00 20 00 | .S.e.r.v.i.c.e.
00000264 | 50 00 61 00 63 00 6b 00 20 00 33 00 00 00 00 00 00 | P.a.c.k...3....
00000275 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
00000286 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
00000297 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
000002a8 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
000002b9 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
000002ca | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
000002db | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
000002ec | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
000002fd | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
0000030e | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
0000031f | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
00000330 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
00000341 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
00000352 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 05 01 28 0a 71 00 61 | ..... (.q.a
00000363 | 00 77 00 73 00 65 00 64 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .w.s.e.d.)
00000374 | 6a 00 70 00 67 00 2d 00 6a 00 66 00 2d 00 30 00 39 | j.p.g.-.j.f.-.0.9
00000385 | 00 32 00 35 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .2.5.....
00000396 | 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
```

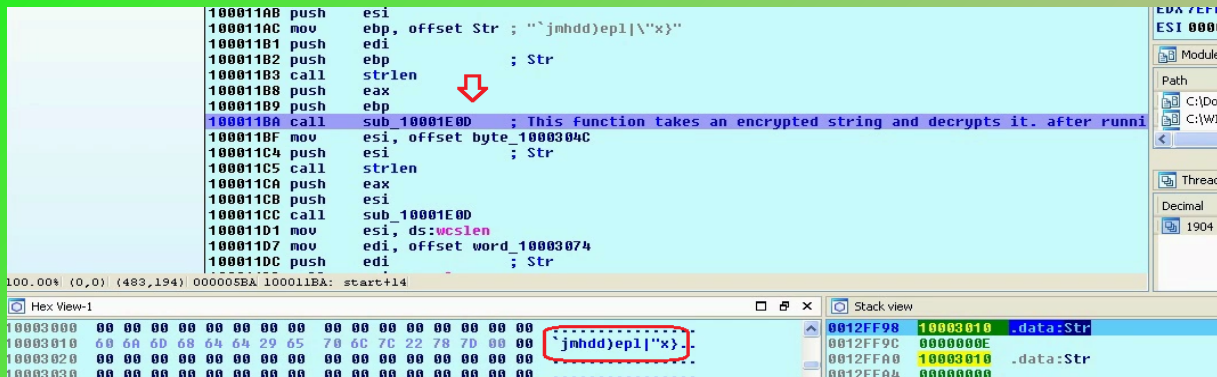
172.16.114.100 --> ip address of the infected machine
05 00 00 00 --> which should be read as 5, is the major version of the OS (which is XP)
01 00 00 00 --> which should be read as 1, is the minor version of the OS
28 0a 00 00 --> which should be read as a28 (in hex), which is 2600 in decimal is the build number (of XP)
Service Pack --> in this case it is service pack 3
qawsd --> is the campaign password
jpg-jf-0925 --> is the campaign code

Part 1B – Demo

**Reverse Engineering The
HeartBeat RAT**

Malware Decrypts Strings

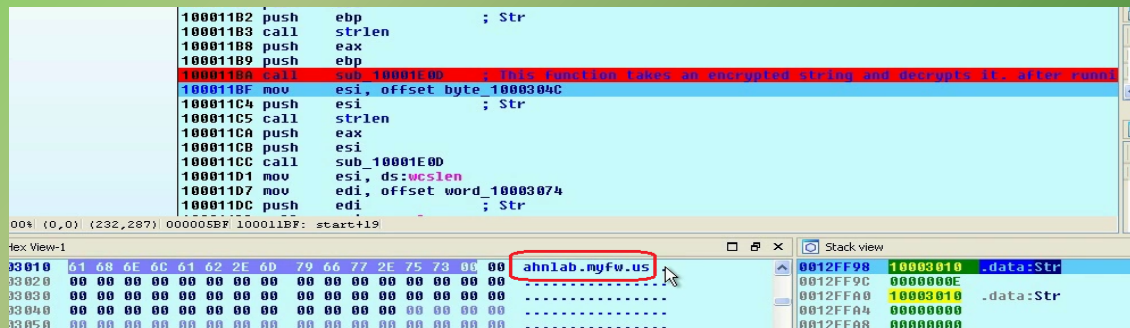
Below screenshots show the malware decrypting the C2 domain



```
100011A8 push esi
100011AC mov ebp, offset Str ; ""jnhdd)ep1|\\"
100011B1 push edi
100011B2 push ebp ; Str
100011B3 call strlen
100011B8 push eax
100011B9 push ebp
100011BA call sub_10001E00 ; This function takes an encrypted string and decrypts it. after runni
100011BF mov esi, offset byte_1000304C
100011C4 push esi ; Str
100011C5 call strlen
100011CA push eax
100011CB push esi
100011CC call sub_10001E00
100011D1 mov esi, ds:wcslen
100011D7 mov edi, offset word_10003074
100011DC push edi
```

Hex View-1

10003000	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	0012FF98	10003010	.data:Str
10003010	68 6A 6D 68 6A 64 29 65 70 6C 7C 22 78 7D 00 00	0012FF9C	0000000E	
10003020	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	0012FFA0	10003010	.data:Str
10003030	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	0012FFA4	00000000	



```
100011B2 push ebp ; Str
100011B3 call strlen
100011B8 push eax
100011B9 push ebp
100011BA call sub_10001E00 ; This function takes an encrypted string and decrypts it. after runni
100011BF mov esi, offset byte_1000304C
100011C4 push esi ; Str
100011C5 call strlen
100011CA push eax
100011CB push esi
100011CC call sub_10001E00
100011D1 mov esi, ds:wcslen
100011D7 mov edi, offset word_10003074
100011DC push edi
```

Hex View-1

33010	61 08 0E 0C 01 62 2E 0D 79 66 77 2E 75 73 00 00	0012FF98	10003010	.data:Str
33020	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	0012FF9C	0000000E	
33030	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	0012FFA0	10003010	.data:Str
33040	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	0012FFA4	00000000	
33050	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	0012FFA8	00000000	

Malware Decrypts Strings (contd...)

Below screenshots show the malware decrypting the campaign password “qawsed”

```
000110C push    edi
000110D call   esi ; wcslen
000110F shl   eax, 1
00011E1 push    eax
00011E2 push    edi
00011E3 call   sub_10001E0D ; This function is called again, we know now that this function takes
00011E8 mov   ebx, offset word_10003088
00011ED push    ebx ; Str
00011EE call   esi ; wcslen
00011F0 shl   eax, 1
00011F2 push    eax
00011F3 push    ebx
00011F4 call   sub_10001E0D ; again this function is called, this shows that malware decrypts mult
00011F9 mov   edi, offset word_10003098
00011FE push    edi ; Str
00011FF call   esi ; wcslen
0001201 shl   eax, 1
```

00% (124,396) (451,139) 000005E3 100011E3: start+3D

Hex View-1

03074	70	02	62	04	72	06	74	08	6C	0A	6F	0C	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	p.b.r.t.l.o.....	0012FF80	10003074	.data:word_10003074
03084	00	00	00	00	39	02	33	04	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....9.3.....	0012FF84	0000000C	
03094	00	00	00	00	68	02	73	04	62	06	2A	08	63	0A	6D	0C					.....k.s.b.*.c.m.	0012FF88	10003074	.data:word_10003074

```
00011DF shl   eax, 1
00011E1 push    eax
00011E2 push    edi
00011E3 call   sub_10001E0D ; This function is called again, we know now that this function takes
00011E8 mov   ebx, offset word_10003088
00011ED push    ebx ; Str
00011EE call   esi ; wcslen
00011F0 shl   eax, 1
00011F2 push    eax
00011F3 push    ebx
00011F4 call   sub_10001E0D ; again this function is called, this shows that malware decrypts mult
00011F9 mov   edi, offset word_10003098
00011FE push    edi ; Str
00011FF call   esi ; wcslen
0001201 shl   eax, 1
```

00% (124,396) (59,184) 000005E8 100011E8: start+42

Hex View-1

03074	71	00	61	00	77	00	73	00	65	00	64	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	q.a.w.s.e.d....	0012FF80	10003074	.data:word_10003074
03084	00	00	00	00	39	02	33	04	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	.....9.3.....	0012FF84	0000000C	
03094	00	00	00	00	68	02	73	04	62	06	2A	08	63	0A	6D	0C					.....k.s.b.*.c.m.	0012FF88	10003074	.data:word_10003074
030A4	20	0E	3F	10	28	12	21	14	20	16	00	00	00	00	00	00					...(?.?.....	0012FF8C	1000304C	.data:byte_1000304C
030B4	00	00	00	00	6F	00	70	00	65	00	6E	00	00	00	00	00					.....o.p.e.n....	0012FF90	00000000	
030C4	50	00	63	00	60	00	74	00	50	00	65	00	70	00	6F	00					.....0.p.e.n....	0012FF94	1000306C	.data:byte_1000306C

Malware Decrypts Strings (contd...)

Below screenshots show the malware decrypting the campaign code "jpg-jf-0925"

```
10001203 push eax
10001204 push edi
10001205 call sub_10001E0D ; again the malware decrypts some string, lets see what it is
1000120A add esp, 3Ch
1000120D push offset stru_10003120 ; lpWSAData
10001212 push 202h ; wVersionRequested
10001217 call ds:WSAStartup
1000121D mov edi, ds:closesocket
```

```
10001223
10001223 loc_10001223: ; protocol
10001223 push 6
10001225 push 1 ; type
```

(124,636) (783,304) 00000605 10001205: start+5F

Hex	ASCII
8 68 02 73 04 62 06 2A 08 63 0A 6D 0C 20 0E 3F 10	k.s.b.*.c.m. .?.
8 28 12 21 14 20 16 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	(.f.)
8 6E 08 78 08 6E 08 6E 08 00 00 00 00 5C 08 69 00\.....

```
10001203 push eax
10001204 push edi
10001205 call sub_10001E0D ; again the malware decrypts some string, lets see what it is
1000120A add esp, 3Ch
1000120D push offset stru_10003120 ; lpWSAData
10001212 push 202h ; wVersionRequested
10001217 call ds:WSAStartup
1000121D mov edi, ds:closesocket
```

```
10001223
10001223 loc_10001223: ; protocol
10001223 push 6
10001225 push 1 ; type
```

100.004 (124,636) (692,77) 0000060A 1000120A: start+64

Hex	ASCII
10003098 6A 00 70 00 67 00 2D 00 6A 00 66 00 2D 00 30 00	j.p.g.-.j.f.-.0.
100030A8 39 00 32 00 35 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	9.2.5.....
100030B8 6E 08 78 08 6E 08 6E 08 00 00 00 00 5C 08 69 00\.....

Malware Resolves C2 Domain

Below screenshots show the malware resolving the C2 domain and the corresponding network traffic

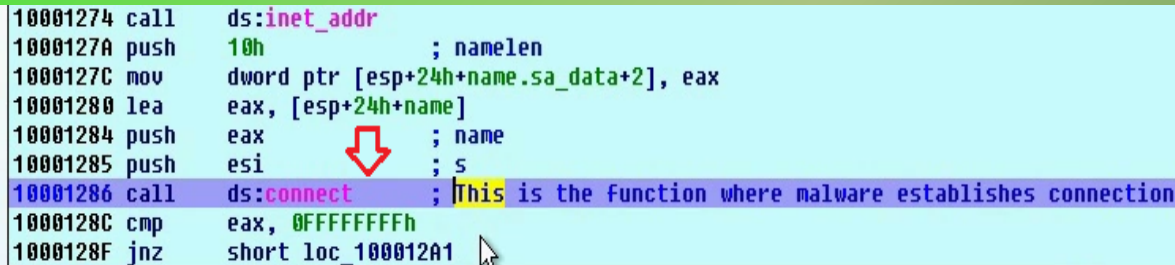
The screenshot displays a debugger window with assembly code and network traffic. The assembly code at address 1000124D is highlighted with a red box and includes a comment: `call ds:gethostname ; malware resolves the domain name that it decrypted previously.after`. Below the assembly code, a network traffic capture shows a DNS query for `ahnlab.myfw.us` at 5:258.361519, which is also highlighted with a red box. A red arrow points from the assembly code to the network traffic. The network traffic table is as follows:

Time	Source IP	Destination IP	Protocol	Details
5.258.361519	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1	DNS	74 Standard query A ahnlab.myfw.us
6.258.394597	172.16.114.1	172.16.114.100	DNS	90 Standard query response A 172.16.114.1
7.263.395362	00:50:56:c0:00:01	00:0c:29:5c:4a:77	ARP	42 Who has 172.16.114.100? Tell 172.16.114.1
8.263.395458	00:0c:29:5c:4a:77	00:50:56:c0:00:01	ARP	42 172.16.114.100 is at 00:0c:29:5c:4a:77

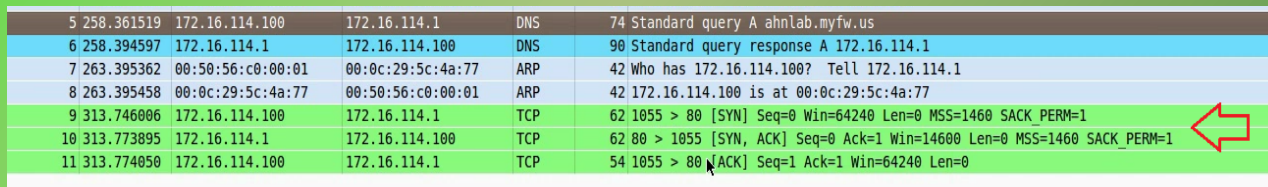
Malware Connects to C2 Domain

Below screenshots show the malware establishing connection to the C2 domain

```
10001274 call ds:inet_addr
1000127A push 10h ; namelen
1000127C mov dword ptr [esp+24h+name.sa_data+2], eax
10001280 lea eax, [esp+24h+name]
10001284 push eax ; name
10001285 push esi ; s
10001286 call ds:connect ; This is the function where malware establishes connection
1000128C cmp eax, 0FFFFFFFh
1000128F jnz short loc_100012A1
```



5	258.361519	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1	DNS	74 Standard query A ahnlab.myfw.us
6	258.394597	172.16.114.1	172.16.114.100	DNS	90 Standard query response A 172.16.114.1
7	263.395362	00:50:56:c0:00:01	00:0c:29:5c:4a:77	ARP	42 Who has 172.16.114.100? Tell 172.16.114.1
8	263.395458	00:0c:29:5c:4a:77	00:50:56:c0:00:01	ARP	42 172.16.114.100 is at 00:0c:29:5c:4a:77
9	313.746006	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1	TCP	62 1055 > 80 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=64240 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM=1
10	313.773895	172.16.114.1	172.16.114.100	TCP	62 80 > 1055 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=14600 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM=1
11	313.774050	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1	TCP	54 1055 > 80 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=64240 Len=0



Malware Collects System Information

Below screenshots show the malware collecting the system information

```
100014EA mov [ebp+VersionInformation.dwOSVersionInfoSize], esi
100014F0 push eax ; lpVersionInformation
100014F1 call ds:GetVersionExW ; malware collects the operating system related information
100014F7 lea eax, [ebp+VersionInformation]
100014FD push esi ; Size
100014FE push eax ; Src
100014FF lea eax, [ebp+var_26C]
10001505 push eax ; Dst
10001506 call memcpy
1000150B add esp, 0Ch
1000150E call ds:GetVersion
10001514 mov [ebp+var_150], eax
```

100.00% (0,0) (314,307) 000008F7 100014F7: send sysinfo+4A

Hex View-1

0012FE80	14	01 00 00 05 00 00 00	01 00 00 00 28 0a 00 00{...
0012FE90	02	00 00 00 53 00 05 00	72 00 76 00 69 00 63 00	....S.e.r.v.i.c.
0012FEA0	65	00 20 00 50 00 61 00	63 00 68 00 20 00 33 00	e. .P.a.c.k. .3.
0012FEB0	00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....
0012FEC0	00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....
0012FED0	00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....

Stack view

0012F1D8	71AB3E2B	ws2_32.dll:v
0012F1DC	0000006C	
0012F1E0	10003088	.data:word_1
0012F1E4	00000000	
0012F1E8	00000000	
0012F1EC	00000000	

05 00 00 00 --> which should be read as 5, is the major version of the OS (which is XP)

01 00 00 00 --> which should be read as 1, is the minor version of the OS

28 0a 00 00 --> which should be read as a28 (in hex), which is 2600 in decimal is the build number (of XP)

Service Pack --> in this case it is service pack 3

Malware Collects Hostname Information

Below screenshots show the malware collecting the hostname information

```
10001524 push    eax                ; lpBuffer
10001525 mov     [ebp+nSize], 200h
1000152C call    ds:GetComputerNameW ; at this point malware collects the hostname of the info
10001532 mov     esi, ds:wscpy
10001538 lea   eax, [ebp+Dest]
1000153E push  offset word_10003074 ; Source
10001543 push  eax                ; Dest
10001544 call   esi ; wscpy
10001546 lea   eax, [ebp+var_138]
1000154C push  offset word_10003098 ; Source
```

00% (145,634) (491,351) 00000932.10001532: send sysinfo+85

Hex View-1	Stack view
2FAEC 4D 00 4F 00 4E 00 4E 00 41 00 2D 00 00 46 00 42 00	0012F1D8 71AB3E2B ws2_32.dll:
2FAFC 41 00 46 00 42 00 44 00 45 00 41 00 43 00 00 00	0012F1DC 0000006C
2FB0C 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	0012F1E0 10003088 .data:word_
2FB1C 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	0012F1E4 00000000
2FB2C 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	0012F1E8 00000000
2FB3C 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	0012F1EC 00000000
2FB4C 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	0012F1F0 00000000

M.O.N.N.A.-.F.B.
A.F.B.D.E.A.C...

```
GA Command Prompt
Microsoft Windows XP [Version 5.1.2600]
(C) Copyright 1985-2001 Microsoft Corp.

C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator>hostname
monna-fbafbdeac
C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator>
```


Malware uses XOR encryption

malware uses xor algorithm (key 0x2) to encrypt the collected data

The screenshot displays a debugger window with the following components:

- Assembly View:** Shows assembly instructions for the XOR encryption loop:

```
10001DA8 5= dword ptr 80Ch
10001DA8
10001DA8 push esi
10001DA9 push edi
10001DAA xor esi, esi
10001DAC mov edi, 808h
10001DB1 xor eax, eax
```
- Disassembly View:** Shows the assembly code for the encryption loop:

```
10001DB3 loc_10001DB3: ; This is the encryption loop. All the information collected is encrypted using
10001DB3 xor byte ptr [esp+eax+8+1en], 2
10001DB8 inc eax
10001DB9 cmp eax, 808h
10001DBE jl short loc_10001DB3
```
- Hex View-3:** Shows memory addresses and their corresponding hex values and ASCII characters:

```
012E9D4 4D 00 4F 00 4E 00 4E 00 41 00 2D 00 46 00 42 00 M.D.N.N.A.-.F.B.
012E9E4 41 00 46 00 42 00 44 00 45 00 41 00 43 00 00 00 A.F.B.D.E.A.C...
012E9F4 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 .....
012EA04 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 .....
012EA14 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 .....
012EA24 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 .....
012EA34 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 .....
012EA44 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 .....
012EA54 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 .....
012EA64 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 .....
012EA74 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 .....
```
- Stack View:** Shows stack memory addresses and their corresponding hex values and ASCII characters:

```
0012E9C0 0012F1D4 Stack[00000770]: 0012F1D4
0012E9C4 0012F9EC Stack[00000770]: 0012F9EC
0012E9C8 100015EF send_sysinfo+142
0012E9CC 00000000
0012E9D0 00000000
0012E9D4 004F004D debug018: 004F004D
0012E9D8 004E004E debug018: 004E004E
0012E9DC 002D0041 debug014: 002D0041
0012E9E0 00420046 debug018: 00420046
0012E9E4 00460041 debug018: 00460041
0012E9E8 00440042 debug018: 00440042
```

A red arrow points from the assembly view to the hex view, indicating the memory structure before encryption. A red arrow also points from the hex view to the stack view, indicating the memory structure after encryption.

Malware uses XOR encryption (contd...)

Below screenshot shows the encrypted data

```
Hex View-3
0012E9D4 4F 02 4D 02 4C 02 4C 02 43 02 2F 02 44 02 40 02 0.M.L.L.C./D.@.
0012E9E4 43 02 44 02 40 02 46 02 47 02 43 02 41 02 02 02 C.D.@.F.G.C.A...
0012E9F4 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
0012EA04 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
0012EA14 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
0012EA24 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
0012EA34 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....

0012EBB4 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
0012EBC4 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
0012EBD4 33 02 35 02 30 02 2C 02 33 02 34 02 2C 02 33 02 3.5.0.,3.4.,3.
0012EBE4 33 02 36 02 2C 02 33 02 32 02 32 02 02 02 02 02 3.6.,3.2.2....
0012EBF4 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
0012EC04 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
0012EC14 16 03 02 02 07 02 02 02 03 02 02 02 2A 08 02 02 .....*.
0012EC24 00 02 02 02 51 02 67 02 70 02 74 02 6B 02 61 02 ....Q.g.p.t.k.a.
0012EC34 67 02 22 02 52 02 63 02 61 02 69 02 22 02 31 02 g."R.c.a.i."1.
0012EC44 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
```

Malware Sends the Encrypted Data

Malware sends the encrypted data to the C2

The screenshot displays a debugger window with the following assembly code:

```
10001DC0  
10001DC0 loc_10001DC0: ; flags  
10001DC0 push 0  
10001DC2 lea eax, [esp+esi+0Ch+buf]  
10001DC6 push edi ; len  
10001DC7 push eax ; buf  
10001DC8 push [esp+14h+s] ; s  
10001DCF call ds:send ; this function sends the encrypted data. Also you will see that the enc  
10001DD5 cmp eax, 0FFFFFFFh  
10001DD8 jz short loc_10001DE8
```

A red arrow points to the `call ds:send` instruction. Below the assembly view, the hex dump shows the following data:

```
0012E9C8 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 4F 02 4D 02 4C 02 4C 02 .....O.M.L.L.  
0012E9D0 43 02 2F 02 44 02 40 02 43 02 44 02 40 02 46 02 C./.@.C.D.@.F.  
0012E9E0 47 02 43 02 41 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 G.C.A.....  
0012E9F0 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....  
0012EA00 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....  
0012EA10 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....  
0012EA20 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....  
0012EA30 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....  
0012EA40 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....  
0012EA50 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....  
0012EA60 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....  
0012EA70 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....  
0012EA80 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....  
0012EA90 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....  
0012EAA0 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....  
0012EAB0 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....  
0012EAC0 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
```

The hex dump also shows the string `C.T.D.@.C.D.@.F.` and `G.C.A.....`. The stack view on the right shows the current stack frame with the `send` function call.

Malware Sends the Encrypted Data (contd...)

The packet capture shows the encrypted traffic

The image shows a Wireshark interface with a packet capture filter set to 'tcp.stream eq 2'. The packet list pane shows several packets, with packets 23 and 24 highlighted in red. Packet 23 is selected, and the 'Follow TCP Stream' pane is open, displaying a hex dump of the stream content. The hex dump shows a sequence of bytes that appear to be encrypted, with some ASCII characters visible at the end of each line, such as 'O.M.L.L.', 'C./..D.@. C.D.@.F.', and 'G.C.A.'. A red arrow points to the right side of the hex dump pane.

No.	Time	Source	Destination
9	313.746006	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1
10	313.773895	172.16.114.1	172.16.114.100
11	313.774050	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1
14	433.780915	172.16.114.1	172.16.114.100
15	433.781114	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1
21	883.669868	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1
22	883.670031	172.16.114.100	172.16.114.1
23	883.670098	172.16.114.1	172.16.114.100
24	883.670183	172.16.114.1	172.16.114.100

Stream Content

```
00000000 0b 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 4f 02 4d 02 4c 02 4c 02 ..... O.M.L.L.
00000010 43 02 2f 02 44 02 40 02 43 02 44 02 40 02 46 02 C./..D.@. C.D.@.F.
00000020 47 02 43 02 41 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 G.C.A.....
00000030 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
00000040 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
00000050 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
00000060 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
00000070 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
00000080 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
00000090 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
000000A0 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
000000B0 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
000000C0 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
000000D0 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
000000E0 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
000000F0 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
00000100 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
00000110 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
00000120 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
00000130 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
00000140 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
00000150 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
00000160 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 02 .....
```

References

[Complete Reference Guide for Advanced Malware Analysis Training](#)

[Include links for all the Demos & Tools]

Thank You !



www.SecurityXploded.com