Insider Threats

Stories from outside the cubicle!

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Toque vs Beanie?



Threat Landscape

























wikipedia...



"If you know your enemy and yourself, you need not fear the result of a hundred battles. If you know yourself but not the enemy, for every victory gained you will also suffer a defeat. If you know neither the enemy nor yourself, you will succumb in every battle" - Sun Tzu, The Art of War

What does Hollywood say?



Say it isn't so...

December 6, 2018

DarkVishnya: new series of unprecedented cyber-robberies in Eastern Europe

Banks in Eastern Europe impacted by attacks resulting in losses of tens of millions of dollars

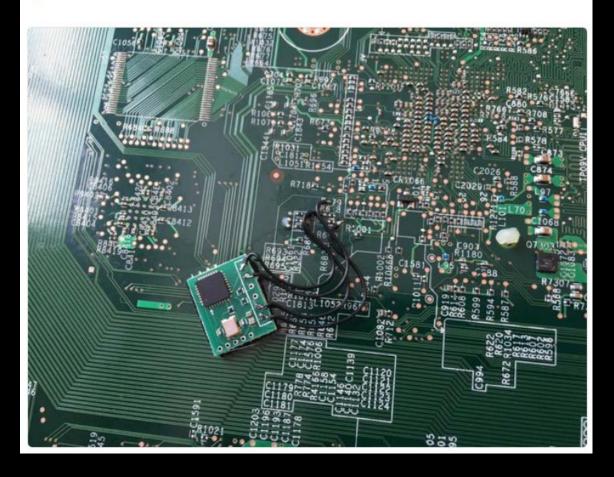
Through Kaspersky Lab's involvement in the incident response, researchers discovered that in each case the corporate network was breached through an unknown device, controlled by the attackers, which had been smuggled into a company building and connected to the network.

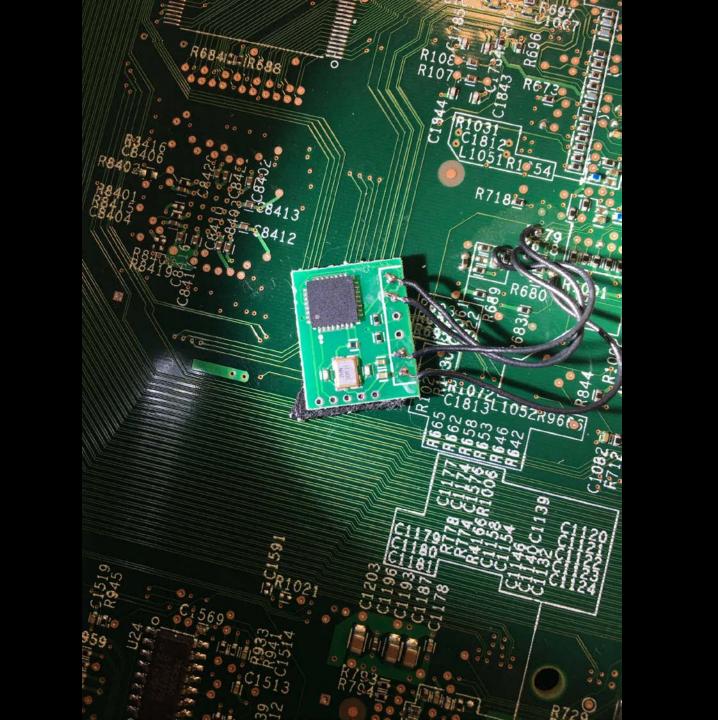
The attackers used three types of devices: a laptop, a Raspberry Pi (a single-board computer size of a credit card) or a Bash Bunny (a specially designed tool for automating and conducting USB attacks), equipped with a GPRS, 3G- or LTE- modem that allowed the attackers to penetrate remotely the corporate network of the financial organization.

Pictures are worth a thousand words...



Suspicious daughterboard inside Chinese sold cisco gear via @osxreverser ... soooo dodgy lol





Just the Facts...

Windows 10 security features can be easily bypassed

By Anthony Spadafora 2018-04-20T14:00:12.109Z News

Google's Project Zero team reveals Windows 10 lockdown bypass despite requests from Microsoft.

Beware! This Microsoft PowerPoint Hack Installs Malware Without Requiring Macros

Wednesday, June 07, 2017 & Mohit Kumar

New GhostHook Attack Bypasses Windows 10 PatchGuard **Protections**

Thursday, June 22, 2017 🚨 Swati Khandelwal

In the News!

Former IT Admin Accused of Leaving Backdoor Account, Accessing It 700+ Times

By Catalin Cimpanu







Former Microsoft Engineer Gets Prison for Role in Reveton Ransomware

🛗 August 14, 2018 🚨 Wang Wei



Terminated Employee Hacks His Way Back In

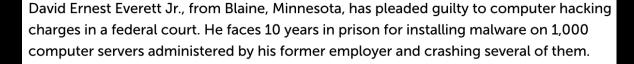
The disgruntled hacker compromises 1,000 servers

Jan 15, 2009 10:48 GMT · By Lucian Constantin · Share:









Disgruntled Employee Hacks Boss' Network, Arrested

by Brandon Dimmel on May, 6 2013 at 08:05AM EDT

In the News!

Rogue system admin shuts down servers and deletes core files on the day he is fired, now faces up to 10 years in prison

Terminated employee created a backdoor disguised as an office printer, proceeded to wreak havoc on former employer

By William Gayde on March 31, 2017, 12:15 PM 56 comments



Story from outside the cubical...

A LONG TIME ACO IN A RETWORK FAR, FAR AWAY

In the News!

SAN FRANCISCO ADMIN
CHARGED WITH HIJACKING
CITY'S NETWORK

June 23, 2018

Reassigned Tesla Employee Hacks Into Company Operating System In Anger, But Claims He Is A Whistleblower

Good News!

Legacy DLP Doesn't Work: McAfee Sues Former Employees for Stealing Company Data



Honorable Mention insider threat!

US employee 'outsourced job to China'

(S) 16 January 2013











A security check on a US company has reportedly revealed one of its staff was outsourcing his work to China. The software developer, in his 40s, is thought to have spent his workdays surfing the web, watching cat videos on YouTube and browsing Reddit and eBay. He reportedly paid just a fifth of his six-figure salary to a company based in Shenyang to do his job.

"Authentication was no problem. He physically FedExed his RSA [security] token to China so that the third-party contractor could log-in under his credentials during the workday. It would appear that he was working an average nine-to-five work day," he added.

"Evidence even suggested he had the same scam going across multiple companies in the area. All told, it looked like he earned several hundred thousand dollars a year, and only had to pay the Chinese consulting firm about \$50,000 (£31,270) annually."

WTF!

We got a great glimpse into how Google figured out when a star former engineer allegedly stole 14,107 files

Becky Peterson Feb. 6, 2018, 5:15 PM



Former Uber CEO Travis Kalanick and Anthony Levandowski are accused of conspiring to steal trade secrets from Waymo. Associated Press

The best insider threat!

Man Hacks Jail Computer Network to Get Friend Released Early

By Catalin Cimpanu







Stats...



According to a new study 91% of IT and security professionals feel vulnerable to insider threats, and 75% believe the biggest risks lie in cloud applications like popular file storage and email solutions including Google Drive, Gmail and Dropbox.

The report from SaaS operations management specialist BetterCloud also shows 62 percent of respondents believe the biggest security threat comes from the well-meaning but negligent end user.

Stats...

Code42 2019 Global Data Exposure Report Finds 69% of Security Leaders Say Data Loss Prevention Cannot Stop Insider Threat

Over two-thirds (69%) of organizations say they were breached due to an insider threat and confirm they had a prevention solution in place at the time of the breach.

Over three-quarters (78%) of information security leaders – including those with traditional data loss prevention (DLP) – believe that <u>prevention strategies and</u> <u>solutions are not enough to stop insider threat.</u>

What are we missing?

Insufficient data protection strategies and solutions

Increasing number of devices with access to sensitive data

Proliferation of sensitive data moving outside the firewall on mobile devices

More employees, contractors, partners accessing the network

Greater complexity of technology

Increasing use of cloud apps and infrastructure



For 2018 the ITRC reported 1,244 breaches

As of Oct 10, 2019 there have been 1,152 reported breaches





- 10. Treat your network as a hostile environment, always assume breached
- 9. Nobody is immune to malware infection so have your post breach strategy ready
- 8. Don't forget about the insider threat
- 7. Always do #2
- 6. Know your network





- 5. Log everything / Have Unfiltered data
- 4. Train your Security staff
- 3. Security awareness for everyone
- 2. Patch, Patch, & Patch... Refer back to #7
- 1. Ryan Reynolds was not available



Thank You

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