Security Orchestration Platform

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What is a Red Team/Adversary Simulation?

- Simulate an advanced attack against an organization
- Objective-based: "steal credit card numbers from PCI network"
- Typically only 1-2 people know that it is happening
- Red team has zero insider knowledge
- Blue team does not know about the red team assessment and will respond to red team actions like they would a real attack

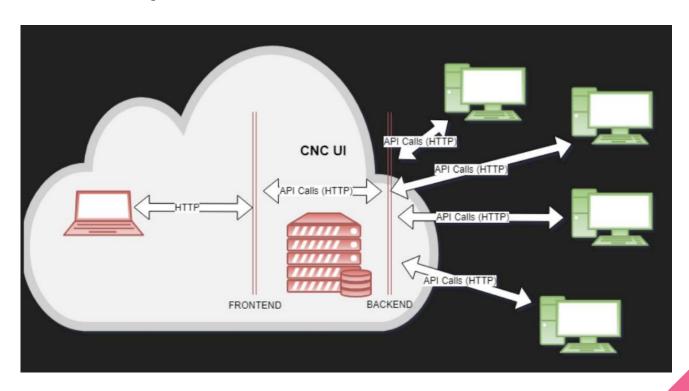


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Problem Statement

- Client faces issues with off the shelf tools being detected during red team engagements. Utilize a large number of manual processes which could be automated.
- Automation reduces the cost to deliver a red team assessment
- Custom tooling is extensible and is less likely to be detected by security solutions which are focused on detecting pre built tools

Conceptual Sketch



Functional Requirements

Bot

- Communicates with C2 via secure, encrypted API
- Tested and executable on recent versions of Windows
- Able to disconnect from a C2 and destroy itself
- Supports domain fronting
- Demonstrates persistence while remaining stealthy
- EDR solution bypass capabilities

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- UI for sending commands to different bots
- Single page application (SPA) for managing bots
- Django backend and ReactJS Frontend
- Encrypted communication
- Multi-user creation/deletion/authentication
- Logs all activity by users
- Realtime websockets for receiving data
- Building & downloading of malware in-app
- App managed as containers via docker-compose
- Documentation/help for users

Non-Functional Requirements

Bot

- Shall be able to destroy itself upon demand or if it cannot locate the C2
- Shall not be noticeable by the average user whose system is compromised
- Shall not have predictable network traffic (ie., beacon jitter)
- Shall be configurable and support multiple deployment options
- Shall be secure against reverse engineering/losing source code/identifying the owner

C2

- Lengthy tasks shall be performed asynchronously
- User shall be able to navigate application freely without interrupting any ongoing processes
- Multiple users shall be able to access the application simultaneously
- Application shall not be accessible to general public
- Shall be quickly deployable in a temporary state

Technical/Other Constraints/Considerations

- EDR
 - Limited by accessible solutions
- Implant
 - C# and DotNetToJScript limits functionality
- Cost
 - Limit AWS instances
 - Avoid license software

Market survey

- Increased demand for red teams
 - Expensive
 - Time consuming
- Developing automation platform
 - Drastically decreases cost of development/deployment
- Custom solution
 - Not signatured, no license fee

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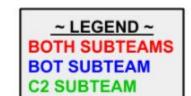
Potential Risks & Mitigation

- Security of the toolkit
 - Avoid EDR signature
 - Don't leak source code
- Reliability
 - Can't crash client machines
 - Want a consistent connection

Resource/Cost Estimate

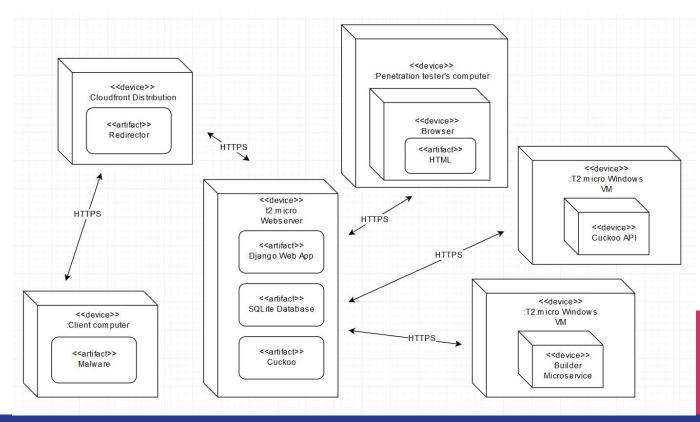
- AWS credits \$30/month
 - CloudFront redirector for Domain Fronting \$5
 - Linux t2.micro for Web Application prototype \$7.59
 - Windows t2.nano for Malware Builder \$5.91
 - Windows t2.micro for Cuckoo \$11.82
- Time Estimate 500 hours

Project Milestones & Schedule

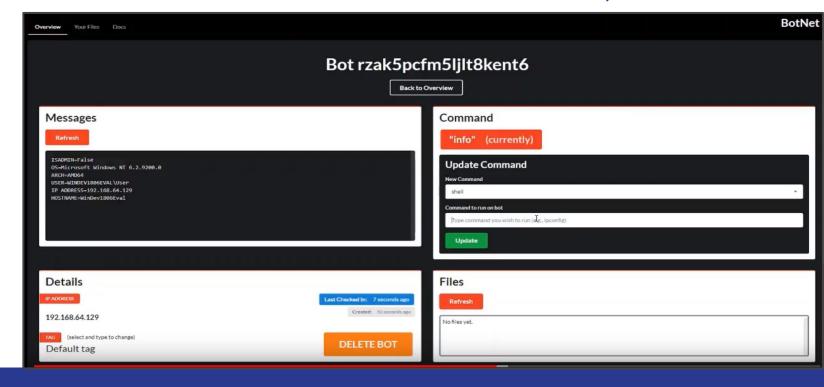


| Task | WEEK 1 JAN 14 | WEEK 2 JAN 21 | WEEK 3 JAN 28 | WEEK 4 FEB 4 | WEEK 5 FEB 11 | WEEK 6 FEB 18 | WEEK 7 FEB 25 | WEEK 8 MAR 4 | WEEK 9 MAR 11 | WEEK 10 MAR 25 | WEEK 11 APR 1 | WEEK 12 APR 8 | WEEK 13 APR 15 | WEEK 14 APR 22 | WEEK 15 APR 29 |
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| Secure API channel | ų. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Implement domain fronting | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bypass EDR | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Expand bot persistence | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Implement bot destruction | | | | | | | | | | | | 50 | | | 9 |
| User authentication | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Detailed action logging | | | | | | | | | 2 | | | 50 | | | |
| Create malware builder (in-app) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Enable websockets for realtime updates | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dockerize the app | | | ^ | | | | Î | | | | | | | | |
| Code testing | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | - 2 |
| Documentation | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | |

Functional Decomposition



Detailed Design (functional modules design, interface definition, user interfaces, etc.)



HW/SW/Technology Platform(s) used

- ReactJS UI framework
- Semantic UI CSS framework
- Django Python Web framework
- Django REST Framework (for APIs)
- SQLite which we may switch to MariaDB or Postgress
- Docker
- C#
- Cuckoo

Test Plan

- Tests focused on completing deliverables
- Focusing on manual testing over Automated testing
- Time sink is too large for Automated testing with minimal reward
- Can use that time for developing additional features
- EX: Ensure that our malware is not detected by common EDR solutions
 - Run malware while C2 Server+Bots communicating. Check for detection.

Prototype Implementations

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15:16:41] "GET /api/v1/message/rzak5pcfm5ljlt8kent6 HTTP/1.1" 200 193
15:16:41] "GET /api/v1/viewbotupload/rzak5pcfm5ljlt8kent6 HTTP/1.1" 200 2
15:16:41] "GET /api/v1/filetobot/ HTTP/1.1" 200 1960
15:16:41] "GET /api/v1/bot/rzak5pcfm5ljlt8kent6 HTTP/1.1" 200 290
15:16:41] "GET /api/v1/command/rzak5pcfm5ljlt8kent6 HTTP/1.1" 200 4
15:16:41] "GET /favicon.ico HTTP/1.1" 200 557
15:16:42] "GET /api/v1/bots/ HTTP/1.1" 200 292
15:16:42] "GET /favicon.ico HTTP/1.1" 200 557
15:16:45] "GET /api/v1/command/rzak5pcfm5ljlt8kent6 HTTP/1.1" 200 4
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15:16:50] "GET /api/v1/command/rzak5pcfm5ljlt8kent6 HTTP/1.1" 200 4
15:16:51] "POST /api/v1/heartbeat/ HTTP/1.1" 200 9
15:17:00] "GET /api/v1/command/rzak5pcfm5ljlt8kent6 HTTP/1.1" 200 4
15:17:00] "POST /api/v1/heartbeat/ HTTP/1.1" 200 9
15:17:07] "PATCH /api/v1/bot/rzak5pcfm5ljlt8kent6 HTTP/1.1" 200 300
15:17:11] "GET /api/v1/command/rzak5pcfm5ljlt8kent6 HTTP/1.1" 200 14
15:17:11] "POST /api/v1/message/ HTTP/1.1" 201 1371
15:17:20] "GET /api/v1/command/rzak5pcfm5ljlt8kent6 HTTP/1.1" 200 14
15:17:20] "POST /api/v1/heartbeat/ HTTP/1.1" 200 9
15:17:31] "GET /api/v1/command/rzak5pcfm5ljlt8kent6 HTTP/1.1" 200 14
15:17:31] "POST /api/v1/heartbeat/ HTTP/1.1" 200 9
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Conclusion (Project Status)

- Project deliverables determined feasible
- Project responsibilities split between two teams
 - Implant: Paul / Adam / Logan
 - Command & Control: Daniel / Vijay / Justin
- Next semester will be heavily focused on implementation