Stallion Summer Shooting - WildFire™ Overview

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The Lifecycle of Network Attacks





Bait the end-user

End-user lured to a dangerous application or website containing malicious content

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Exploit

Infected content exploits the enduser, often without their knowledge 3

Download Backdoor

Secondary payload is downloaded in the background. Malware installed 4

Establish Back-Channel

Malware
establishes an
outbound
connection to the
attacker for
ongoing control

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Explore & Steal

Remote attacker has control inside the network and escalates the attack



Why Traditional Antivirus Protection Fails

Modern malware is increasingly able to:

- Avoid traditional AV honeypots with targeted malware
- Evolve before protection can be delivered, using polymorphism, re-encoding, and changing URLs





Targeted and custom malware



Polymorphic malware



Newly released malware

Highly variable time to protection



Evolving Threats Require Intelligent Solutions

An effective modern malware solution must provide:



Visibility

- See files in all applications, protocols, and ports at all times
- See files inside SSL, compression, and encoding
- Visibility into mobile devices and users



Detection & Reaction

- Sandbox-based behavioral analysis of new unknown files
- Rapid alerting of malware discovered on the network
- Complete forensics report of the activity of the malware



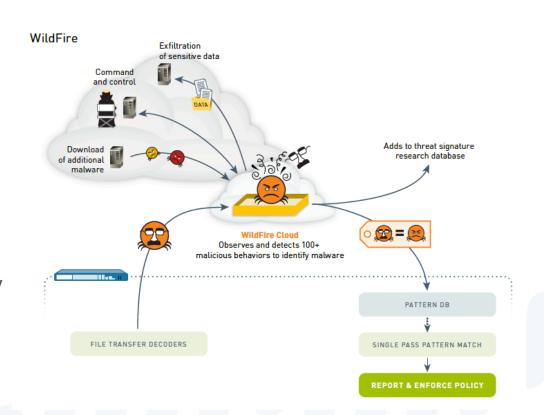
Enforcement

- Automatic updates of signatures to block threats at the firewall
- True in-line blocking of infecting files and C&C traffic
- Stream-based malware blocking to preserve performance



WildFire Architecture

- File scanning on all traffic, all ports (web, email, SMB, etc.)
- Malware run in the cloud with open internet access to discover hidden behaviors
- Sandbox logic updated routinely with no customer impact
- Malware signatures automatically created based on payload data
- Stream-based malware engine performs true inline enforcement

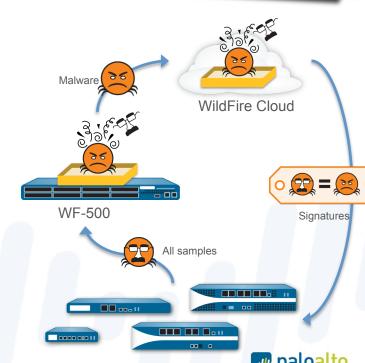




Introducing the WildFire Appliance (WF-500)

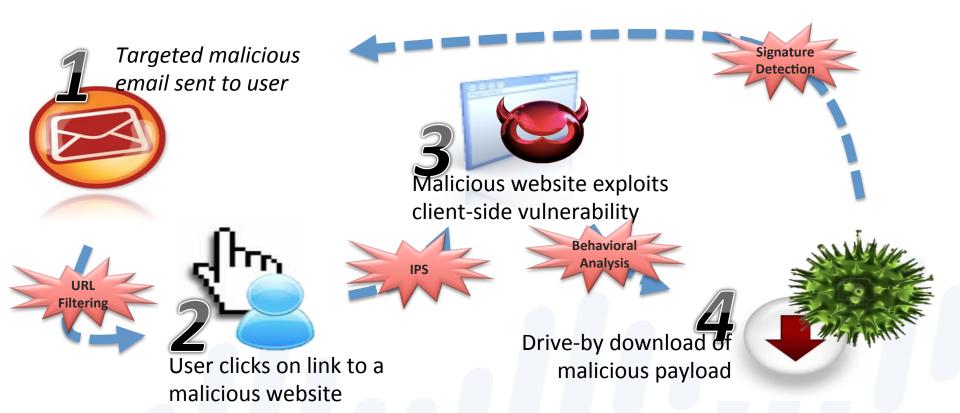


- Appliance-based version of WildFire for onpremises deployments
- All sandbox analysis performed locally on the WildFire appliance
- WF-500 has option to send locally identified malware to WildFire public cloud
 - Signatures only are created in public cloud
- WildFire signatures for all customers distributed via normal update service
- Detection capabilities in sync with public cloud



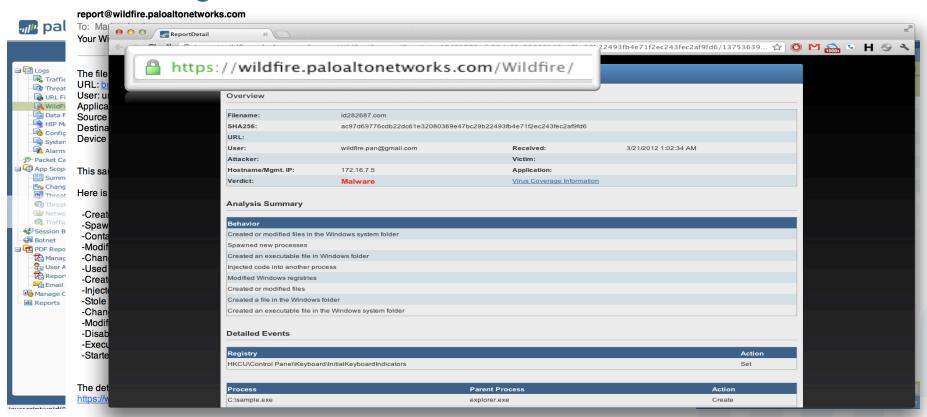
Reaching Effects of WildFire **AV Signatures DNS Signatures** Malware URL Filtering Anti-C&C Signatures WildFire **Threat Intelligence WildFire Users Sources** paloalto paloalto 7 | ©2013, Palo Alto Networks. Confidentia

Attack Stages of Modern Malware





WildFire Logs





Detailed Report: Malware Example



Overview

File name, hash, URL, source & destination, verdict (malware or benign), application

	Malware Verdict		
Hostname/Mgmt. IP:	PA-2050	Application:	pop3
Source:	133.5.184.202 :110	Destination:	133.6.215.213 :39887
User:	unknown	Received:	11/4/2011 9:06:49 PM
URL:	unknown		
SHA256:	4f325b6b63cf7c0daf8ca3ed72a182f05c6fe2d19f1991bce45723697571ad61		
Filename:	transcript.scr		

Analysis Summary

Summarized list of the possibly suspicious behaviors exhibited by the sample





Detailed Report: Malware Example (cont'd)



Traffic

Domain names and IPs of remote hosts contacted by sample, HTTP header summaries

Method	URL	User Agent
GET	bcredretr.ru/forum/index.php?cmd=getload&login=54C43C4A DFF6BE07D&sel=77777&ver=5.1&bits=0&file=0	Mozilla/4.0
GET	bcredretr.ru/forum/index.php?cmd=getload&login=54C43C4A DFF6BE07D&sel=77777&ver=5.1&bits=0	Mozilla/4.0
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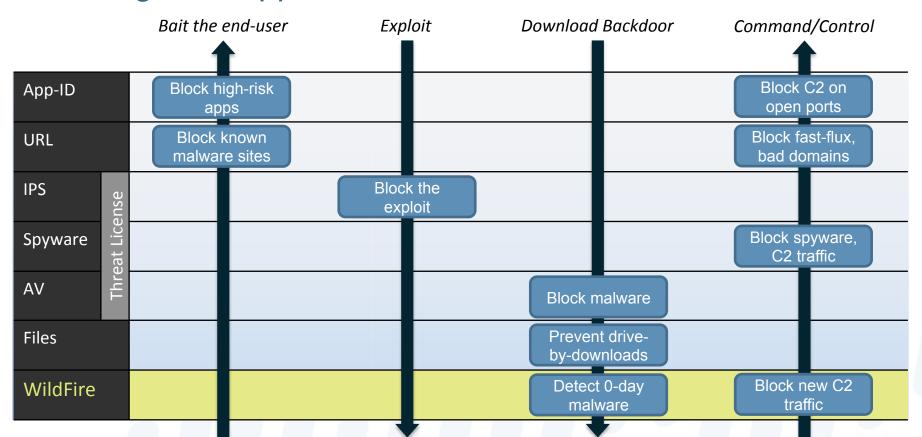
Detailed Events

List of modified registry keys, files, and processes started or stopped.





An Integrated Approach to Threat Prevention



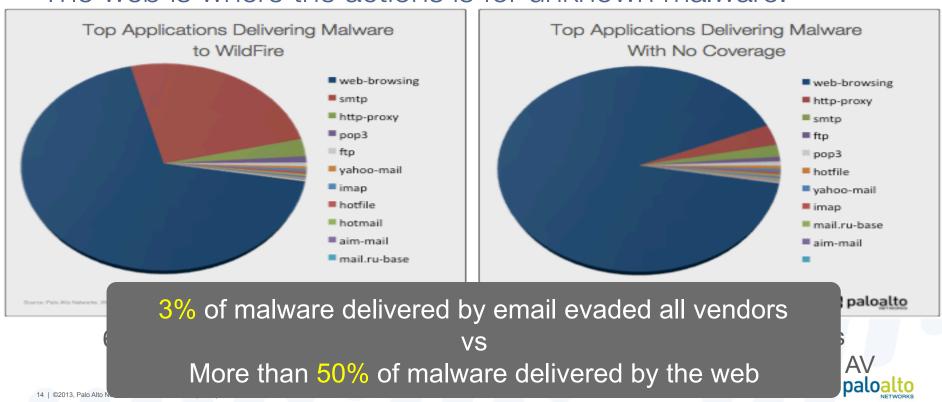
Large Scale Analysis of Unknown Malware

- 3 months of WildFire Data
- 1,000+ participating networks
- 26,000+ malware samples that had no coverage from any of the top 6 AV vendors at the time of detection
- Full lifecycle analysis of the malware
 - Infection session
 - Behaviors on the target host
 - Malware generated traffic
- Focus on actionable advice



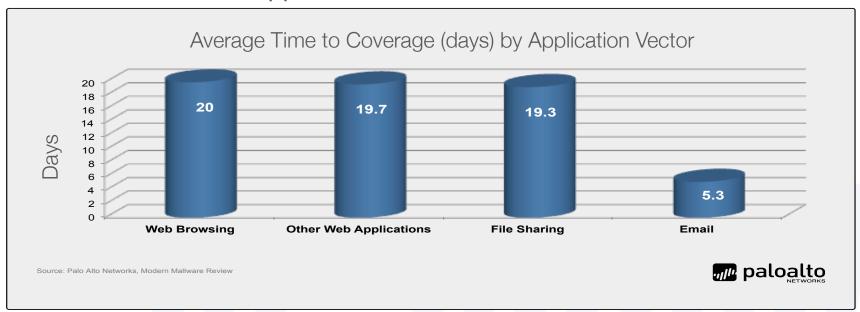
Infection Vectors by Application

The web is where the actions is for unknown malware.



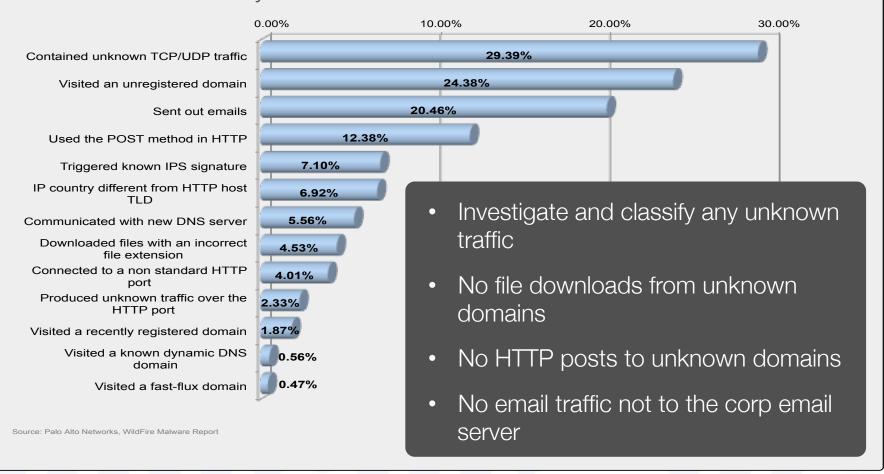
Average Time to Detection by Antivirus

On average, it took traditional antivirus 4x as long to provide coverage for malware delivered in applications other than email.

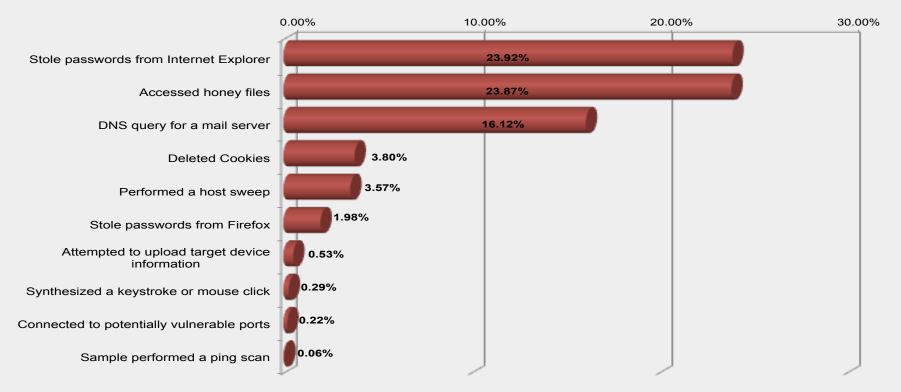




Most Commonly Observed Malware Behaviors on the Network



Most Common Hacking and Data Theft Behaviors





Non-Standard Ports and Malware

FTP was the most evasive application observed*

- 95% of unknown samples delivered via FTP were never covered by antivirus.
- 97% of malware FTP sessions used nonstandard ports, and used 237 different nonstandard ports.

Web-browsing delivered more malware, but was less evasive.

 10% of samples delivered over 90 different nonstandard web ports



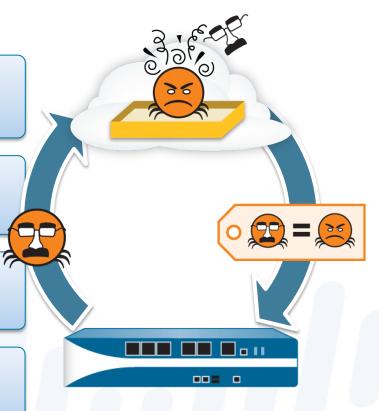
WildFire Subscription Service

WildFire signatures every 30 minutes

Integrated logging & reporting

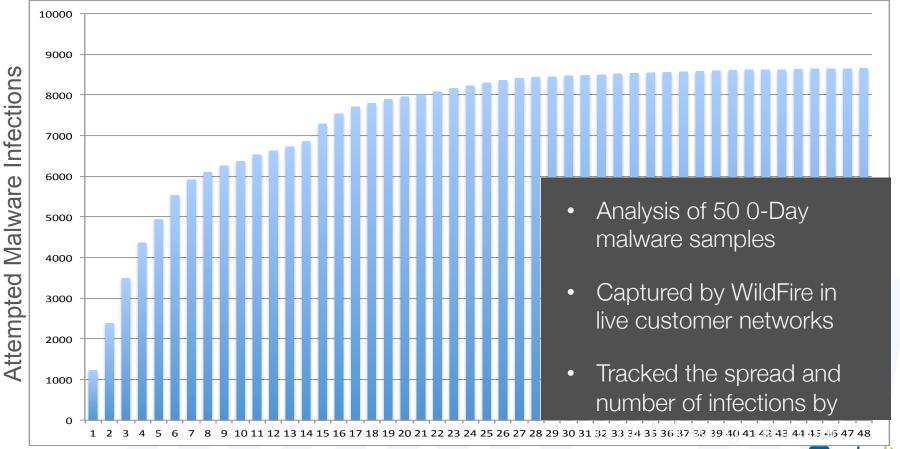
REST API for scripted file uploads

Possible New Features Forward

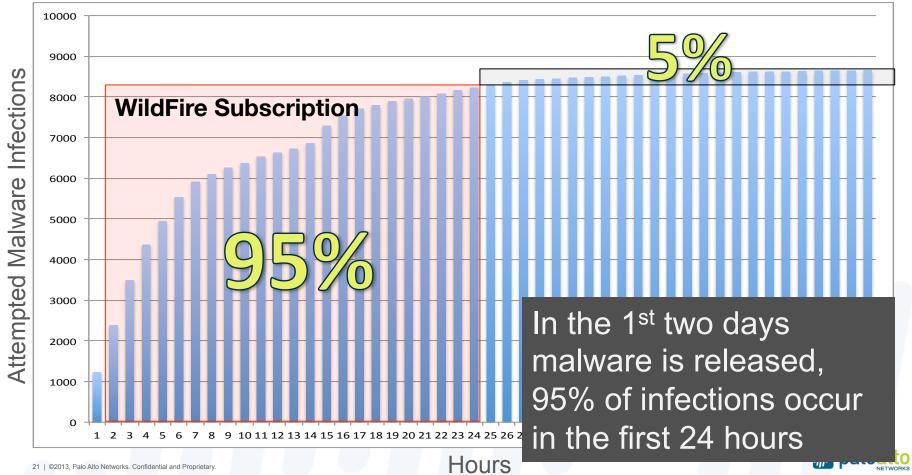




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40% of Unknown Malware Files Were Variants

Opportunity to Block Malware

- In 40% of cases, a single signatures matched multiple samples (variants)
- 1 signature hit 1,500+ unique SHA values
- Provides a way to block malware even when it is repackaged to avoid signatures

40% of Malware Samples Were Related

WildFire Subscription

 Delivers signatures in 30 to 60 minutes of new malware being detected anywhere in the world



WildFire Summary



Full visibility of the next-generation firewall extended to detect and prevent unknown malware.



Cloud-based analysis ensures scalable, safe and adaptable analysis.



Shared protection – all subscribers protected within 1 hour of first instance of malware detection.



True prevention – signatures based on payload that block multiple malware variants



Analysis within minutes and correlated with application, user, URL and file logs.



What does WildFire exactly do for me?

- WildFire will deliver immediate visibility on:
 - The application used (no limitation to only HTTP, SMTP and SMB)
 - The user and system infected
 - The behavior of the malware
- 1 detection/execution of new unique (global) malware sample, results in protection
 - For all other customers as well
 - Often before they even see the first occurrence in their network
 - Against related malware (variants) where possible
 - The related signature is not just a hash of the original malware file...
- The WildFire sandbox also can help on adding additional coverage
 - Known malware URL category in the PANW-URL-DB → malware download prevention
 - DNS signatures → detect infected hosts, reaching out for secondary payload
 - C&C signatures → detect bots, talking to their controller (result of secondary payload)





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