



Stuxnet - Infecting Industrial Control Systems

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Stuxnet Features

- Attacks industrial control systems
- Spreads via
 - USB drives (autorun.inf / LNK vulnerability)
 - Network shares
 - Windows Printer Spooler vulnerability
 - Windows Server RPC vulnerability
 - WinCC Database servers
 - Step 7 Project files
 - P2P mechanism

Stuxnet Features

- Uses 4 0-day Microsoft vulnerabilities and 1 known Microsoft vulnerability
 - MS10-046 .LNK Vulnerability (autoexecution on USB drives)
 - MS10-061 Print Spooler Vulnerability (remote execution to shared print servers)
 - MS10-073 Win32k Keyboard Layout Vulnerability (local privilege escalation)
 - Unpatched - Task Scheduler Vulnerability (local privilege escalation)
 - MS08-067 Windows Server Service Vulnerability (used in Conficker/Downadup)
- Uses 2 Siemens ‘vulnerabilities’
 - Hardcoded username and password in WinCC MSSQL database
 - DLL preloading attack in Step 7 Project files (S7P)
- Uses a Windows rootkit to hide Windows binaries
 - Signed by one of 2 stolen certificates from ‘JMicron’ and ‘Realtek’

Stuxnet Features

- Injects STL code into Siemens PLCs (Programmable Logic Controllers)
- Uses rootkit techniques to hide injected PLC code
 - Patches Siemens Step 7 software, which is used to view PLC code
- Communicates with C&C servers using HTTP
 - www.mypremierfutbol.com
 - www.todaysfutbol.com
- Targeted system likely in Iran

Agenda

1 60 second Intro to PLCs

2 Programming a PLC

3 How Stuxnet infects

4 What Stuxnet does

5 Demonstration

PLCs

Programmable Logic Controller

- Monitors Input and Output lines
 - Sensors on input
 - switches/equipment on outputs
 - Many different vendors
- Stuxnet seeks specific Models
 - s7-300 s7-400

Stuxnet is Targeted

Targeting a Specific type of PLC

Searches for a Specific Configuration



Hardware configuration

System Data Blocks

- Each PLC must be configured before use.
- Configuration is stored in **System Data Blocks (SDBs)**
- Stuxnet parses these blocks
- Looks for magic bytes **2C CB 00 01** at offset **50h**
- Signifies a Profibus network card attached - CP 342-5
- Looks for **7050h** and **9500h**
- Must have more than **33** of these values
- Injects different code based on number of occurrences

How Stuxnet Infects PLCs

Programming a PLC

Step7, STL and MC7

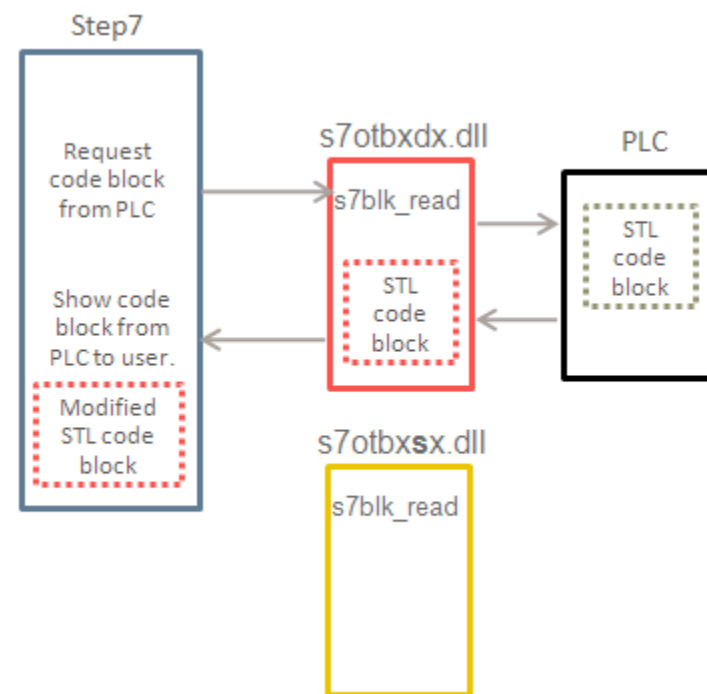


- Simatic or Step 7 software
 - Used to write code in STL or other languages
- STL code is compiled to **MC7 byte code**
- MC7 byte code is transferred to the PLC
- Control PC can now be disconnected

Stuxnet: Man in the Middle attack on PLCs

“Man in the App” attack

- Step7 uses a library to access the PLC
 - S7otbxdx.dll
- Stuxnet replaces that dll with its own version
- Stuxnet’s version intercepts reads and writes to the PLC and changes the code at this point.



Stuxnet MC7 Byte code

- Stuxnet contains at least 70 binary blobs of data
- They are encoded and stored in the fake dll
- These are actually blocks of MC7 byte code
- This is the code that is injected onto the PLCs
- Must be converted back to STL to understand it
- Difficult task but we have now converted all the MC7 byte code to **readable STL code**
- **Just unsure of real world effects of this code.**

OB1 and OB35

Stuxnet changes these blocks

- OB1 = main() on PLCs
 - Stuxnet inserts its own code at the beginning of OB1 so it runs first.
- OB35 is a 100ms interrupt routine
 - Used to monitor inputs that would require fast action
 - Stuxnet infects OB35 too
- Stuxnet will return clean versions of these functions when they are read from the PLC.

Demo

Show Infection of a PLC

- Inflate a balloon for 5 seconds
- Infect the PLC
- Inflate balloon again for 5 seconds

Stuxnet's PLC code

Complex and large amount of code

- Demo was just 8 lines of code.
- Stuxnet contains hundreds of lines of code
- It is difficult to understand the real world actions without knowing what is connected on the inputs and outputs.

| | |
|-------------------|---|
| UC FC 1865; | Call function 1865 return value is on the stack |
| POP ; | Return value goes into Accu1 |
| L DW#16#DEADF007; | Load DEADFF007 into Accu1 ACCU1 goes to ACCU2 |
| ==D ; | Are Accu1 and Accu2 equal? |
| BEC ; | If true exit |
| L DW#16#0; | Else continue to real OB35 |
| L DW#16#0; | |

Stuxnet's PLC code

FC 1865

M004: CLR ;

= DB888.DBX 642.4;

UC FC 1874;

A L 2.1;

SAVE ;

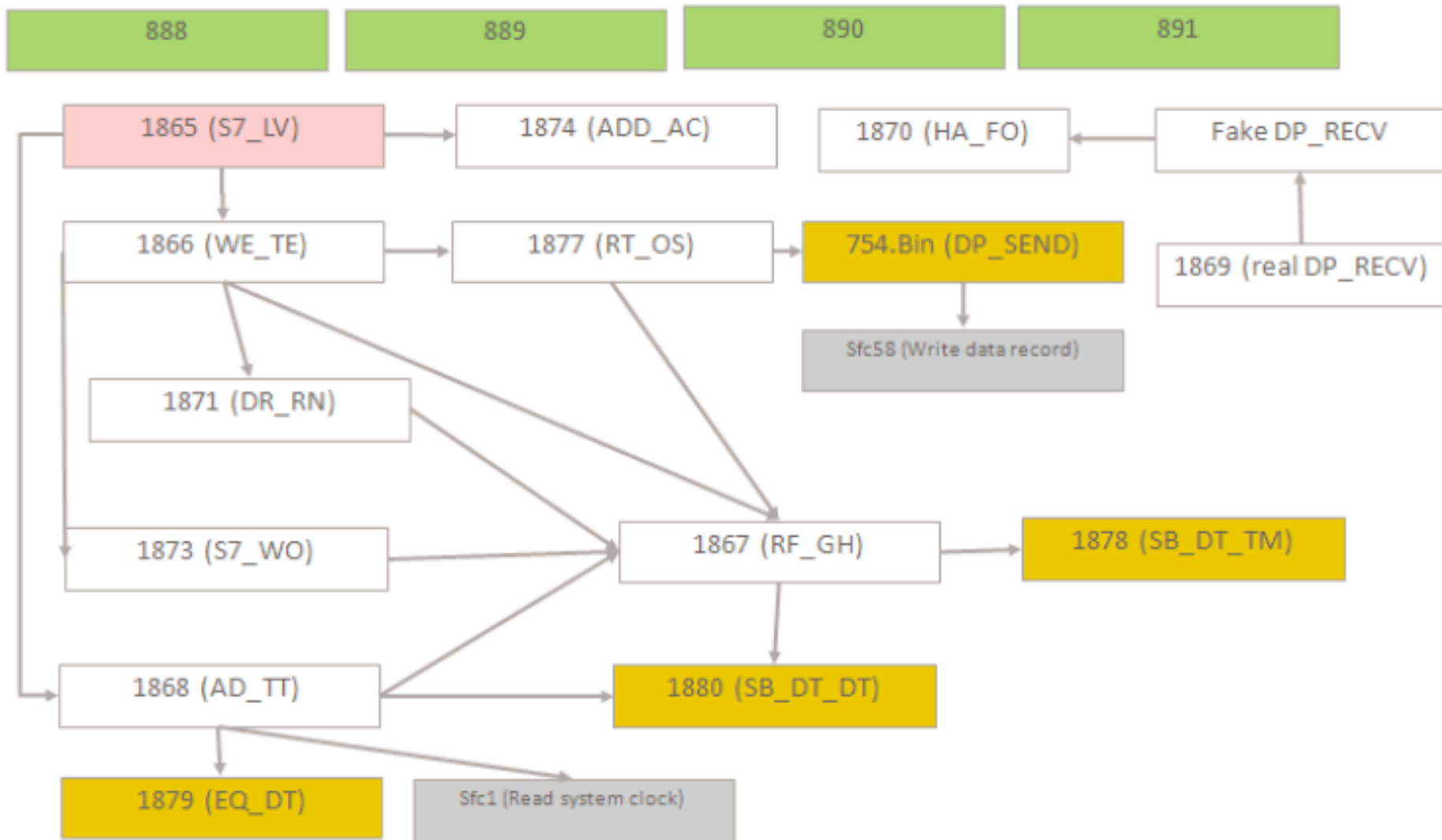
BE ;

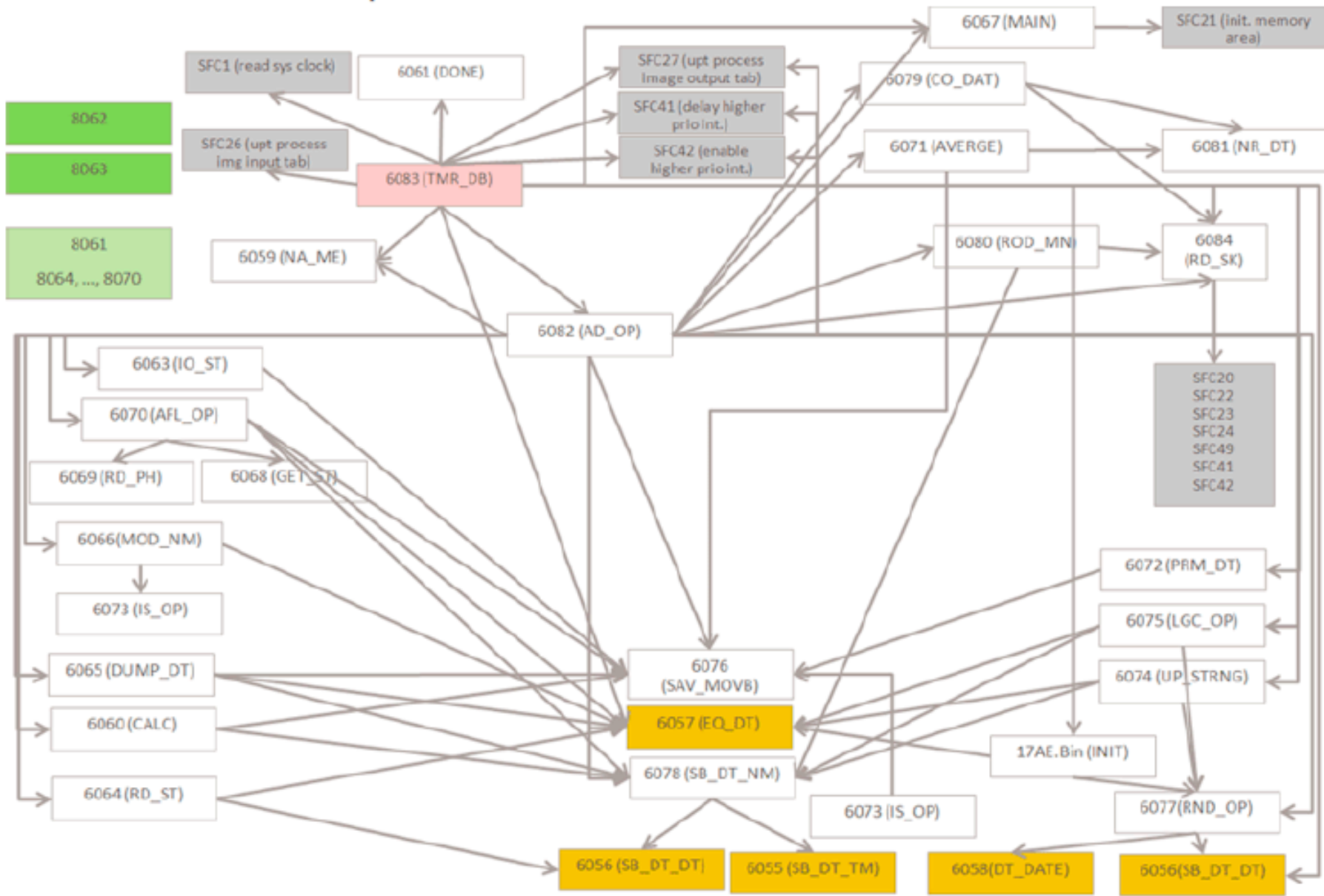
END_FUNCTION

Stuxnet's PLC code

FC 1874

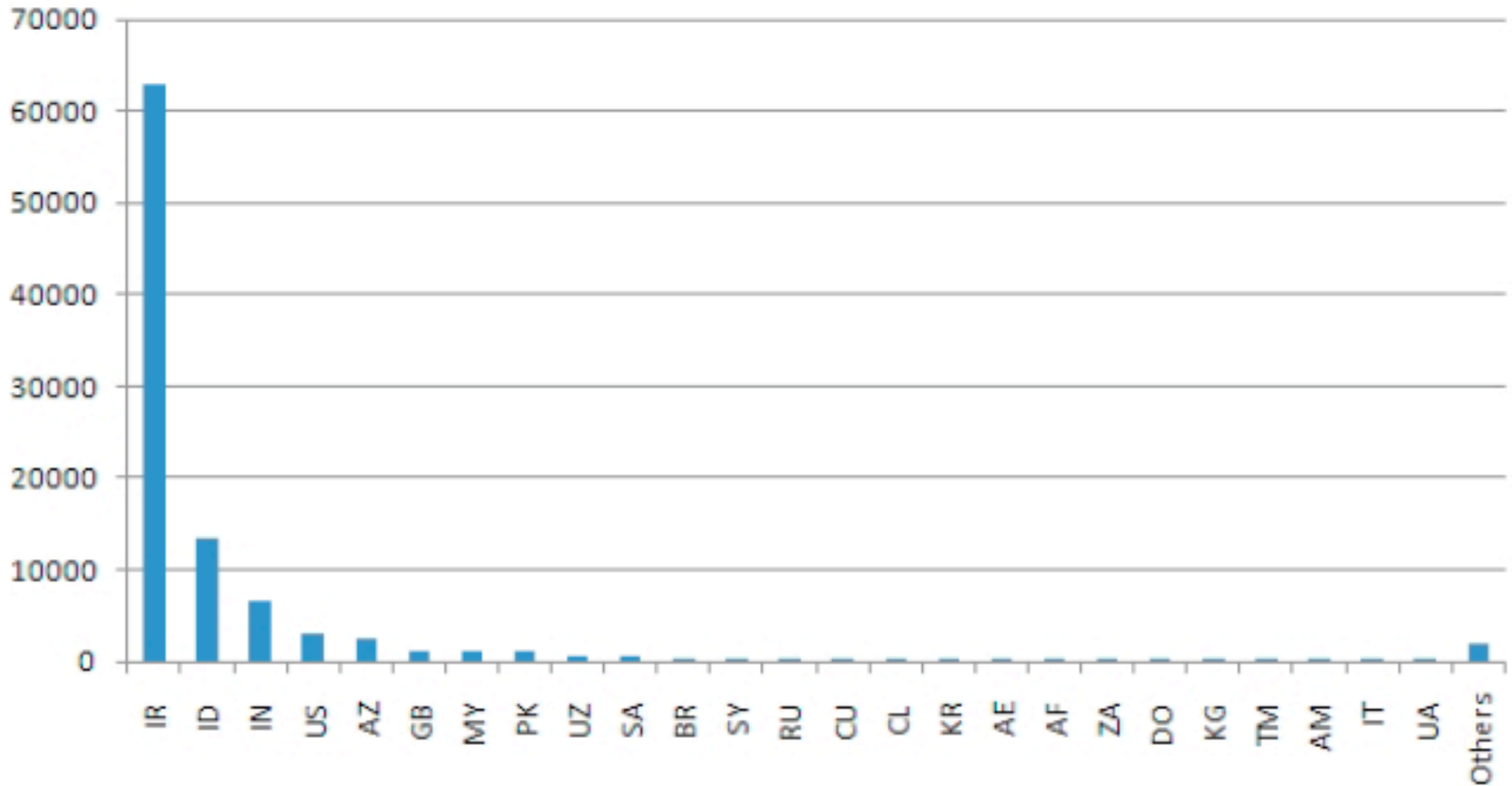
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L  DB888.DBW 16;  
  L  3;  
  <I  ;  
  JC  M001;  
  TAK  ;  
  L  4;  
  >I  ;  
  JC  M001;  
  L  DW#16#DEADF007;  
  PUSH  ;  
  BE  ;  
M001: L  DW#16#0;  
      PUSH  ;  
END_FUNCTION
```



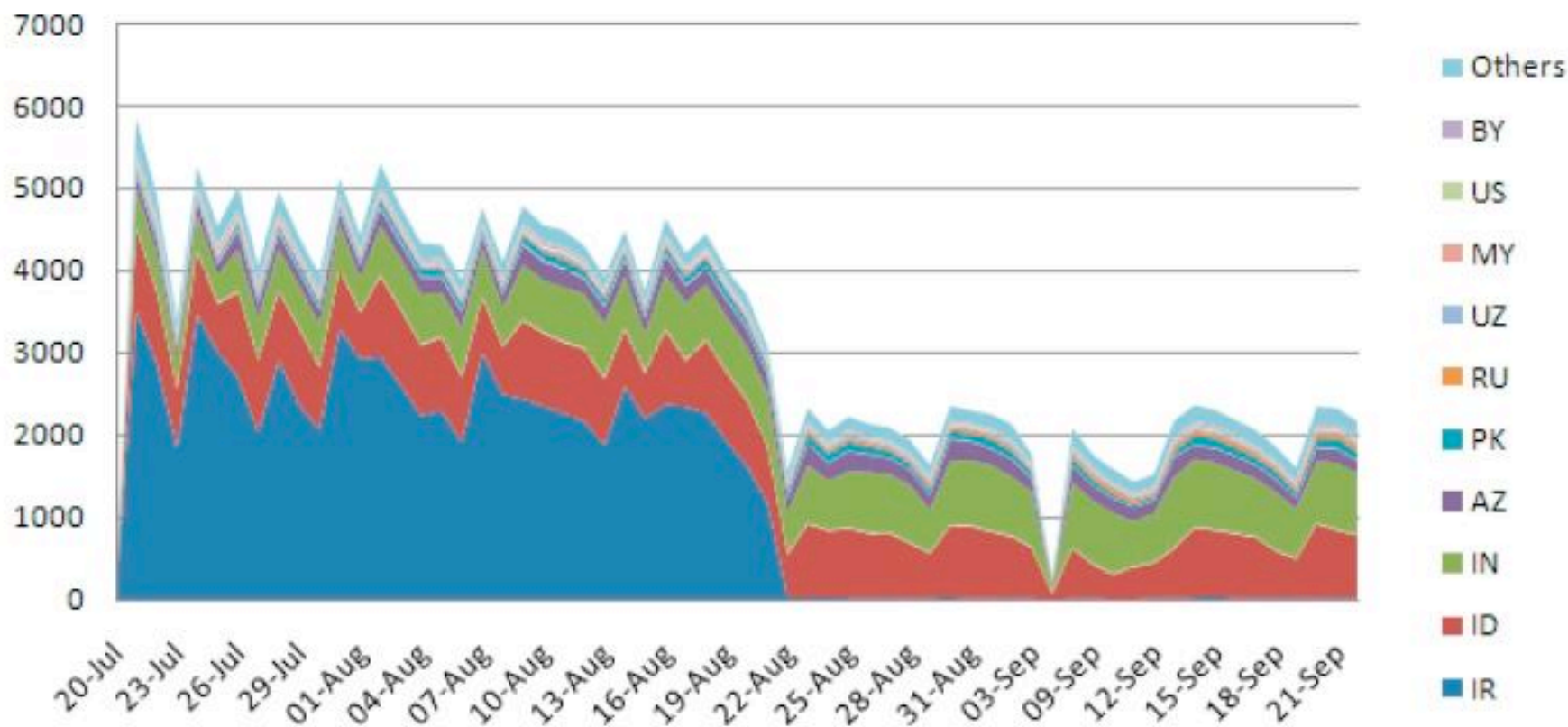
Targets

Stats for Command and Control Servers



Stuxnet Infections

Figure 5
Rate of Stuxnet infection of new IPs by Country



White Paper Available

W32.Stuxnet Dossier

- Stuxnet Technical Details Available here:
- http://www.symantec.com/content/en/us/enterprise/media/security_response/whitepapers/w32_stuxnet_dossier.pdf



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