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## A Visualized Blocking Method against a Hidden Malware in the Image

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**Abstract** In the Internet, we conveniently download the image file which doesn't know whether it contains a malicious code or not. Moreover, the Internet Image files are passages which are easy enough to flow in a closed network, and a malicious code, which is secretly inserted into a picture file, can be performed as a malicious offensive code, that is, a hacking code with triggers such as HTML files or JS files.

So, we suggest an idea for safe use with a visualized blocking method of the image file which doesn't know whether to contain a malicious performance code in a closed network or not.

**Keywords:** Code Visualization, Malicious Code, Image hacking

### 1. Introduction

Various information can be taken advantage of on the Internet which is conveniently used, and particularly, pictures are reused by downloading picture files on the Internet easily. They are known to have Steganography to conceal data in a picture, but generally, it does not have an offensive function[3].

This paper identifies how the images, which are created by putting a malicious performance code in the image file, are serious, and for its preparation, it examines image management schemes as far as a general management one which does not need a special control and the inside of a file in accordance with each closed network. Then it investigates the existence of a malicious hacking code, security management which can be used if it is clear, and finally, the possibility of hacking the inside of a picture. It suggests a high security management method to create and store a separate image capture file in order to fundamentally block internal hacking data which may exist by using an image capture tool if clear.

### 2. Main Subject

Generally, a malware refers to a software or a malicious code which is created with an incorrect purpose or a wrong intention to conduct harmful behaviors, and it also includes a script virus[2].

The following pictures show two images, a clean one and the other including a malicious code respectively.



Fig1. Original picture (smile\_w-orign.jpg)



Fig2. The picture containing a hacking code (smile\_w.jpg)

As seen, those two images are the same in size and quality of the picture.

이름	수정된 날짜	크기	유형
smile_w.JPG	2015-05-17 오후...	10KB	JPG 파일
smile_w-orign.JPG	2015-05-17 오후...	10KB	JPG 파일

Fig3. The images are the same between the original and a hacking code

However, they are different in their internal image structures. We show the hexadata code using a hexa editor tool.



Fig.4 hexadecimal without a malicious code (smile\_w-orign.jpg)



Fig.5 a file containing a malicious code (smile\_w.jpg)

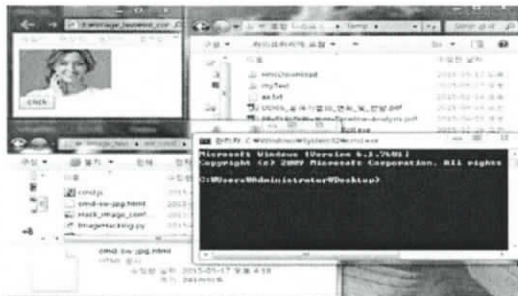


Fig. 6. a performed figure(smile\_w.jpg)

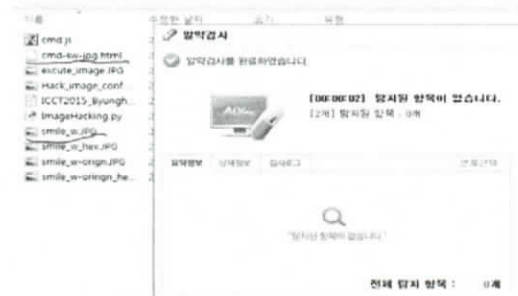


Fig. 7. a figure undetected by vaccines(pills)

So, we suggest an idea for safe use with a visualized blocking method of the image file which doesn't know whether to contain a malicious performance code in a closed network or not.

On an important network, an image management plan is performed in the following procedure:

- 1) A general internet network does not have a special measure.
- 2) An important security network visualizes a file internally and then uses an image.
- 3) In a security network of high level, the image file only uses the captured image using an image capture tool.

### 3. Conclusion

Internet Image files are passages which are easy enough to flow in a closed network, and a malicious code, which is secretly inserted into a picture file, can be performed as a malicious offensive code, that is, a hacking code with triggers such as HTML files or JS files [5].

This paper presents three methods for managing an image file as follows.

A typical internet network can be used without special measures, and an important security network can visualize a file internally to use an image. Finally, in a security network of high level, the image file only uses the captured image using an image capture tool in order to fundamentally block the flow of a malicious code in a closed network.

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