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Identifies the execution of a binary by root in Linux shared memory directories: (/dev/shm/, /run/shm/, /var/run/, /var/lock/). This activity is to be considered highly abnormal and should be investigated. Threat actors have placed executables used for persistence on high-uptime servers in these directories as system backdoors.

Rule type: eql

Rule indices:

- logs-endpoint.events.*

Severity: high

Risk score: 73

Runs every: 5m

Searches indices from: now-9m ([Date Math format](#), see also [Additional look-back time](#))

Maximum alerts per execution: 100

References:

- <https://linuxsecurity.com/features/fileless-malware-on-linux>
- <https://twitter.com/GossiTheDog/status/1522964028284411907>

Tags:

- Elastic
- Host
- Linux
- Threat Detection
- Execution
- BPFDoor

Version: 1

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process where event.type == "start" and
  event.action == "exec" and user.name == "root" and
  process.executable : (
    "/dev/shm/*",
    "/run/shm/*",
    "/var/run/*",
    "/var/lock/*"
  )
```

Framework: MITRE ATT&CK™

- Tactic:
 - Name: Execution
 - ID: TA0002
 - Reference URL: <https://attack.mitre.org/tactics/TA0002/>
- Technique:
 - Name: Command and Scripting Interpreter
 - ID: T1059
 - Reference URL: <https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1059/>

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