

# MUD (D)TLS profiles for IoT devices

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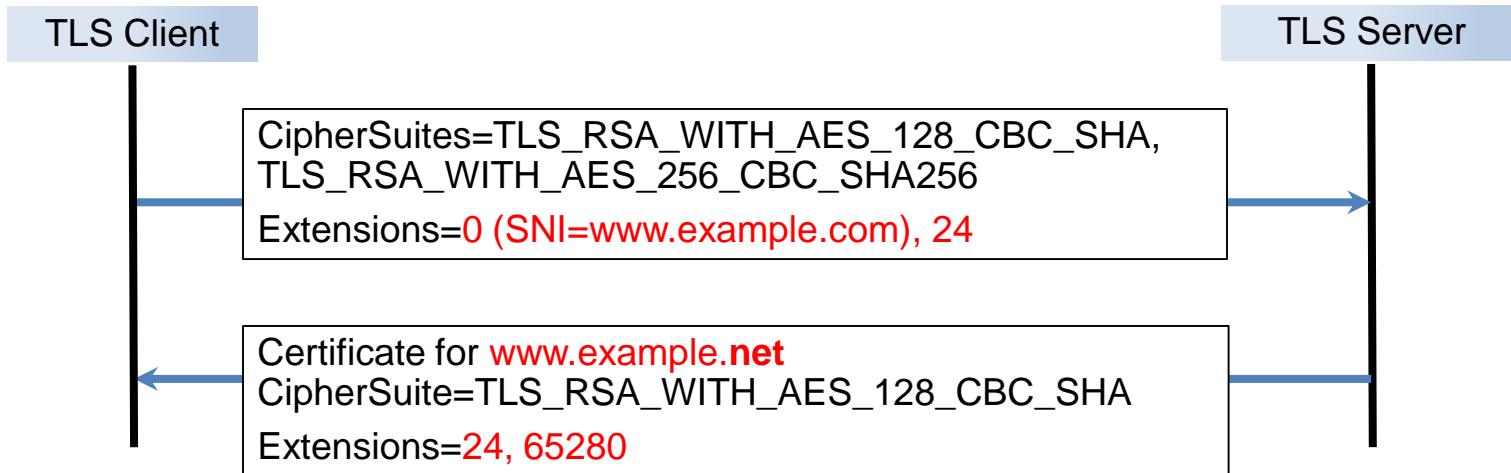
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# MUD (D)TLS Goal

- The drafts proposes extending MUD to describe TLS interactions.

# TLS handshake inspection



## Malware TLS is different than legitimate software<sup>(1)</sup>

- SNI and SAN mismatch
- DGA pattern in SNI or SAN
- Offered/Selected Ciphersuites (ClientHello)
- Diversity of TLS extensions
- Self-signed

## Detect broken TLS

- Best-practice failure (RFC7525)
  - Expired certificates
  - Poor-quality cipher suites
- Re-use of same private key <sup>(2)</sup>
- Microsoft vulnerability to validate certificate <sup>(3)</sup>

(1) "Deciphering Malware's use of TLS (without Decryption)", <https://arxiv.org/abs/1607.01639>

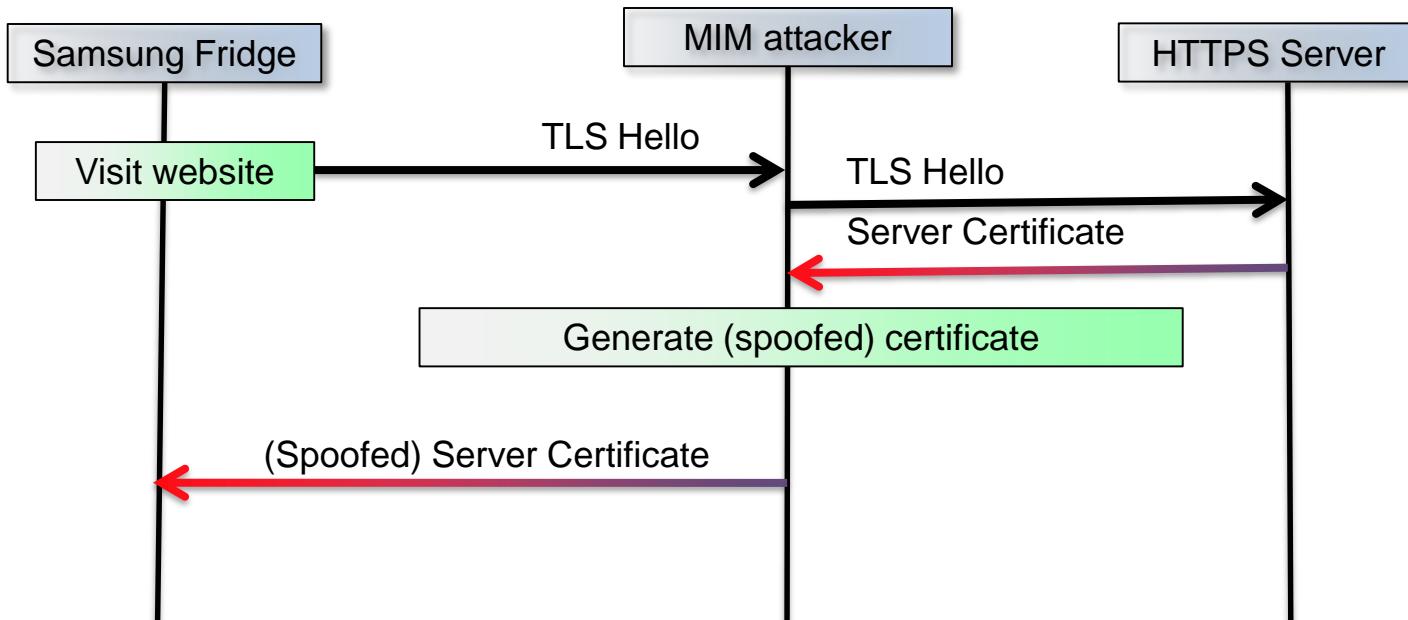
(2) "Millions of IoT Devices Using Same Hard-Coded CRYPTO Keys", <http://thehackernews.com/2015/11/iot-device-crypto-keys.html>

(3) "Patch Critical Cryptographic Vulnerability in Microsoft Windows Clients and Servers",

<https://media.defense.gov/2020/Jan/14/2002234275/-1/-1/0/CSA-WINDOWS-10-CRYPT-LIB-20190114.PDF>

# Lack of certificate validation

- Samsung fridge failed to validate server certificate (see [https://www.theregister.co.uk/2015/08/24/smart\\_fridge\\_security\\_fubar/](https://www.theregister.co.uk/2015/08/24/smart_fridge_security_fubar/))



# Solution overview

- Benefits of MUD (D)TLS profiles for IoT devices include:
  - Ability to define policies for IoT devices that have diverse communication patterns
  - Robust against IoT devices learning new “skills” that change their communication patterns
  - Inadequate certificate validation by some IoT devices making them vulnerable to MiTM attacks

# Observable (D)TLS profile parameters

- We profiled several IoT devices: Amazon Echo, Echo dot, Echo Show, Fire TV, Google Home Mini, Google Home and Kindle.
  - Observable (D)TLS profile parameters did not change after learning new skills. IoT devices have constrained TLS usage patterns.
  - (D)TLS profiles for IoT devices based on type, manufacturer and model is also different
- We also observed TLS profile parameters of thousands of malware flows.
- Growing trend of malware using TLS.

Malicious (D)TLS use can be blocked

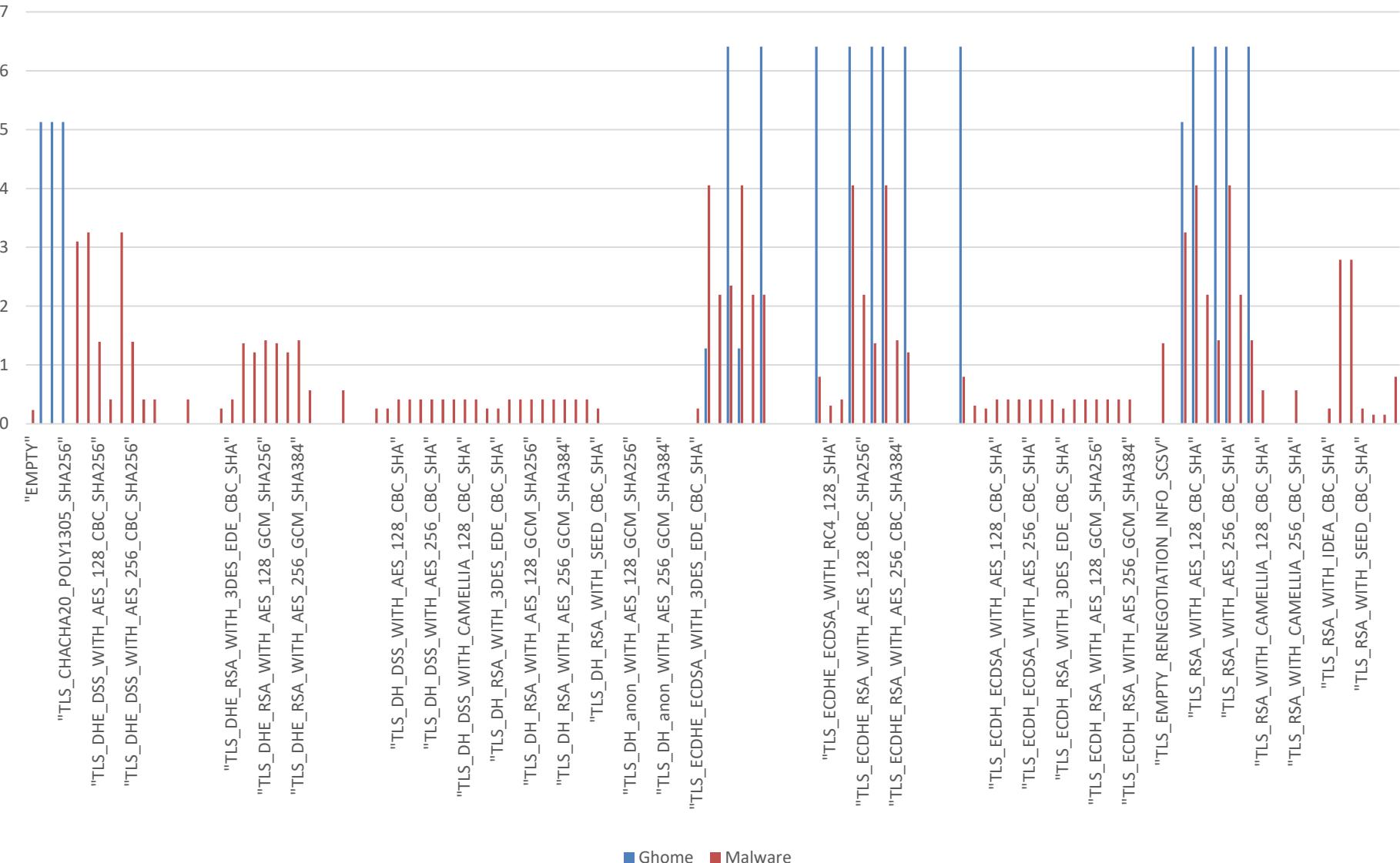
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- Extends MUD to model observable (D)TLS profile parameters
- Client (D)TLS profile is defined once for re-use. (D)TLS profile for specific destination (e.g., Firmware server).

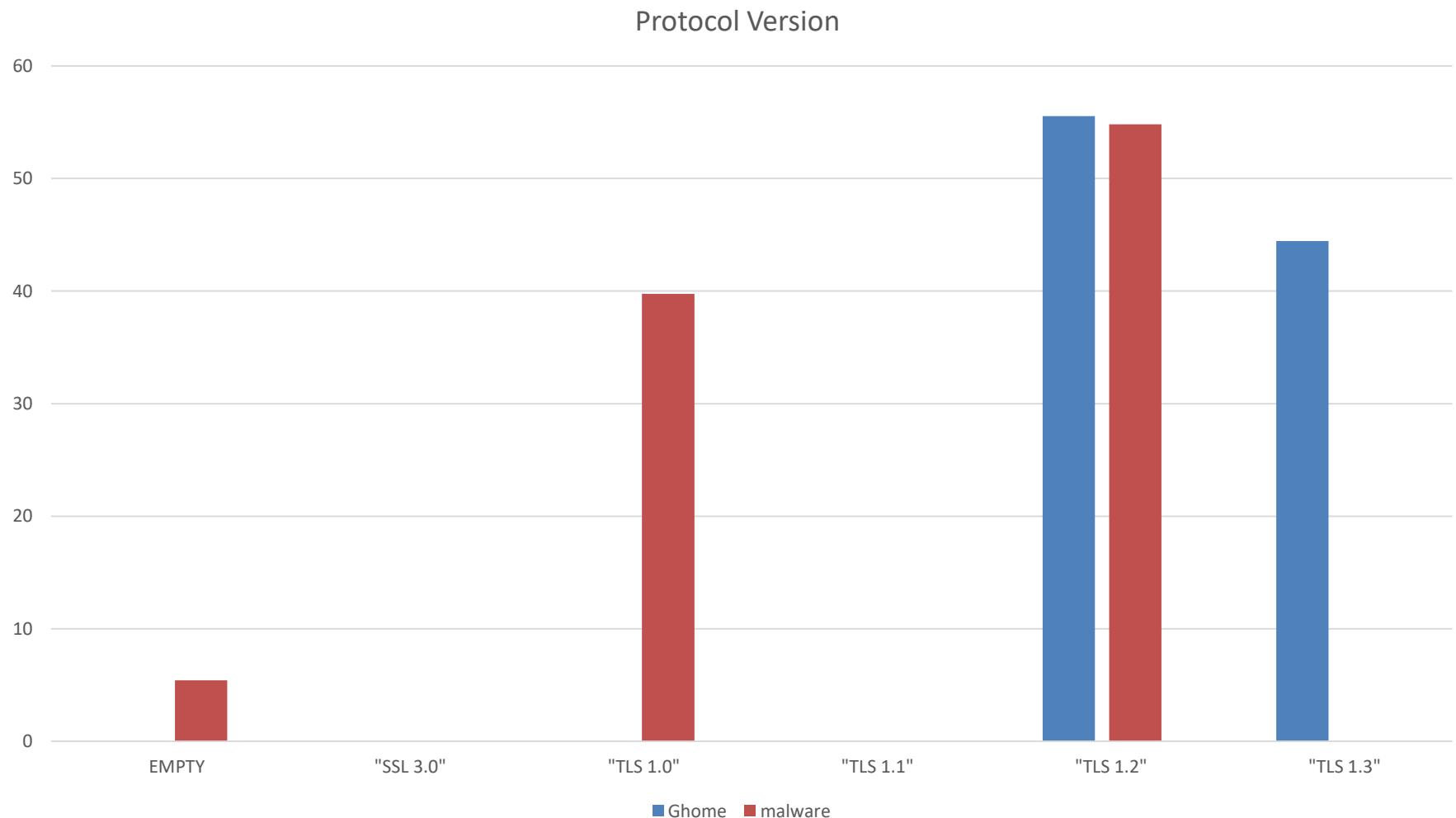
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    +-rw tls-profiles* [profile-name]
      +-rw profile-name          string
      +-rw protocol-version?    uint16
      +-rw supported_versions*  uint16
      +-rw grease_extension?   boolean
      +-rw encryption-algorithms* encryption-algorithm
      +-rw compression-methods* compression-method
      +-rw extension-types*    extension-type
      +-rw acceptlist-ta-certs* ct:trust-anchor-cert-cms
      +-rw SPKI-pin-sets*     SPKI-pin-set
      +-rw SPKI-hash-algorithm? iha:hash-algorithm-type
      +-rw psk-key-exchange-modes* psk-key-exchange-mode
      +-rw supported-groups*   supported-group
      +-rw signature-algorithms* signature-algorithm
      +-rw client-public-keys
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## Cipher Suites

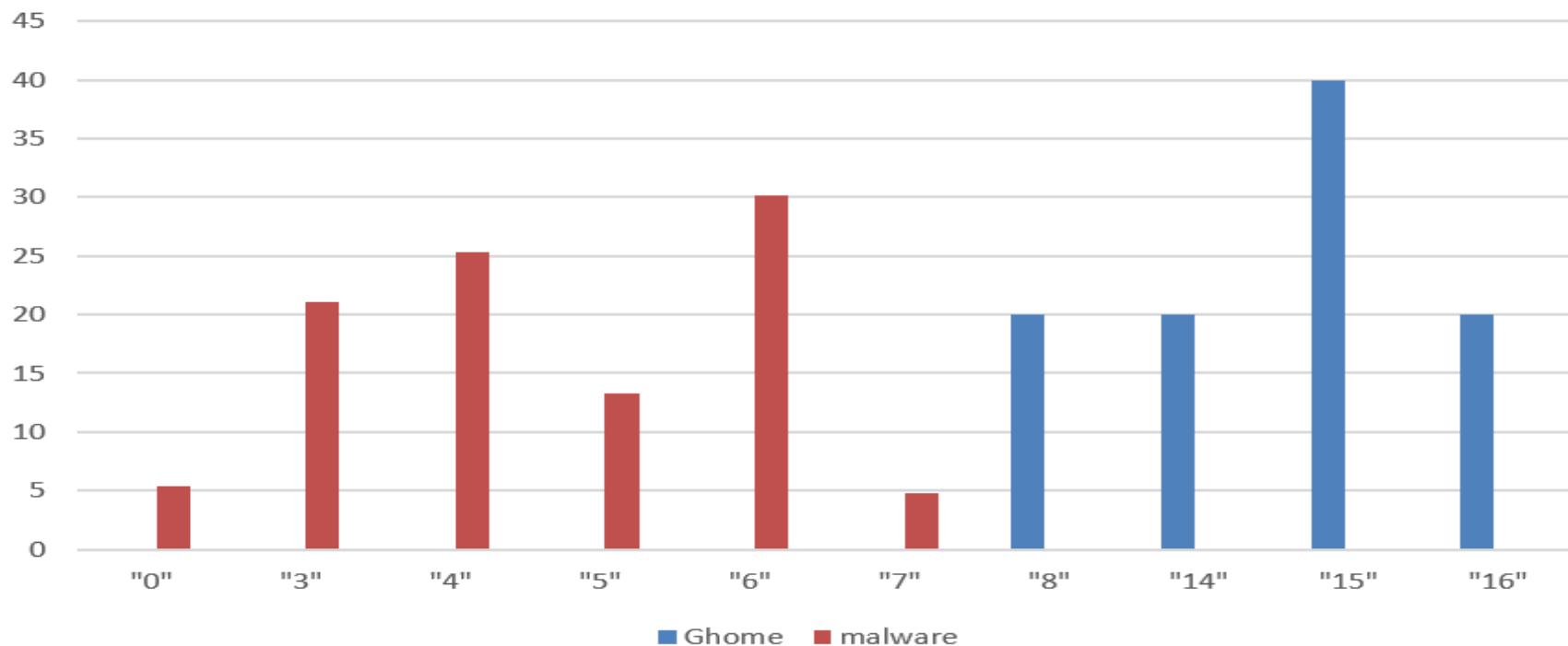


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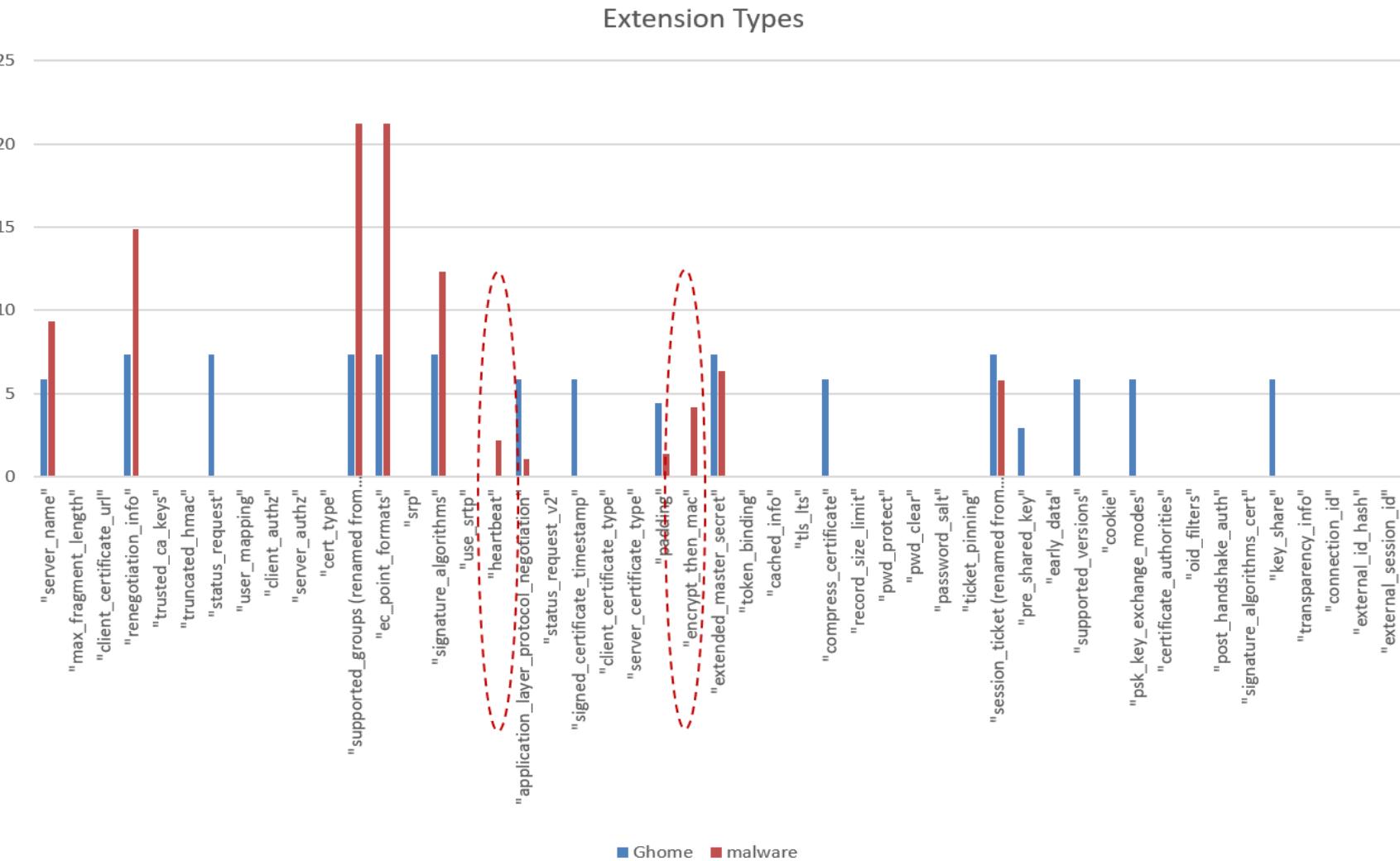
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No. of Extensions offered



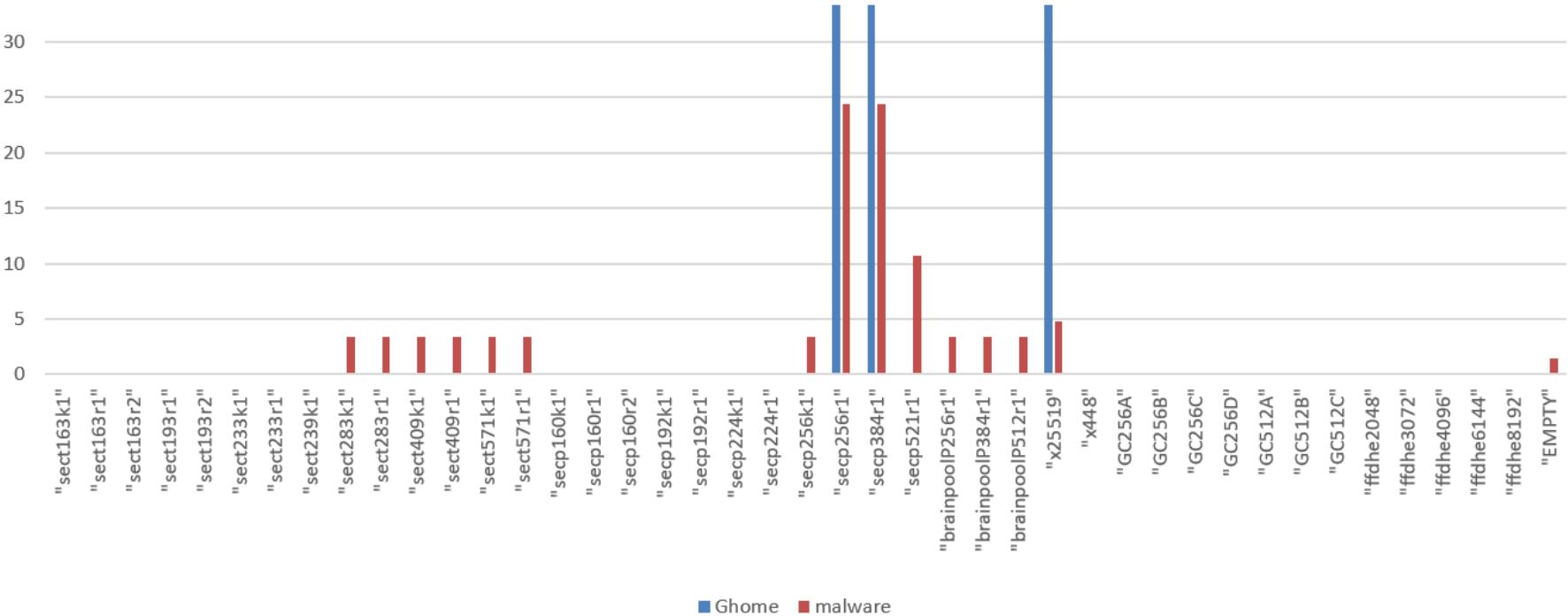
Malwares typically offer lesser number of extensions

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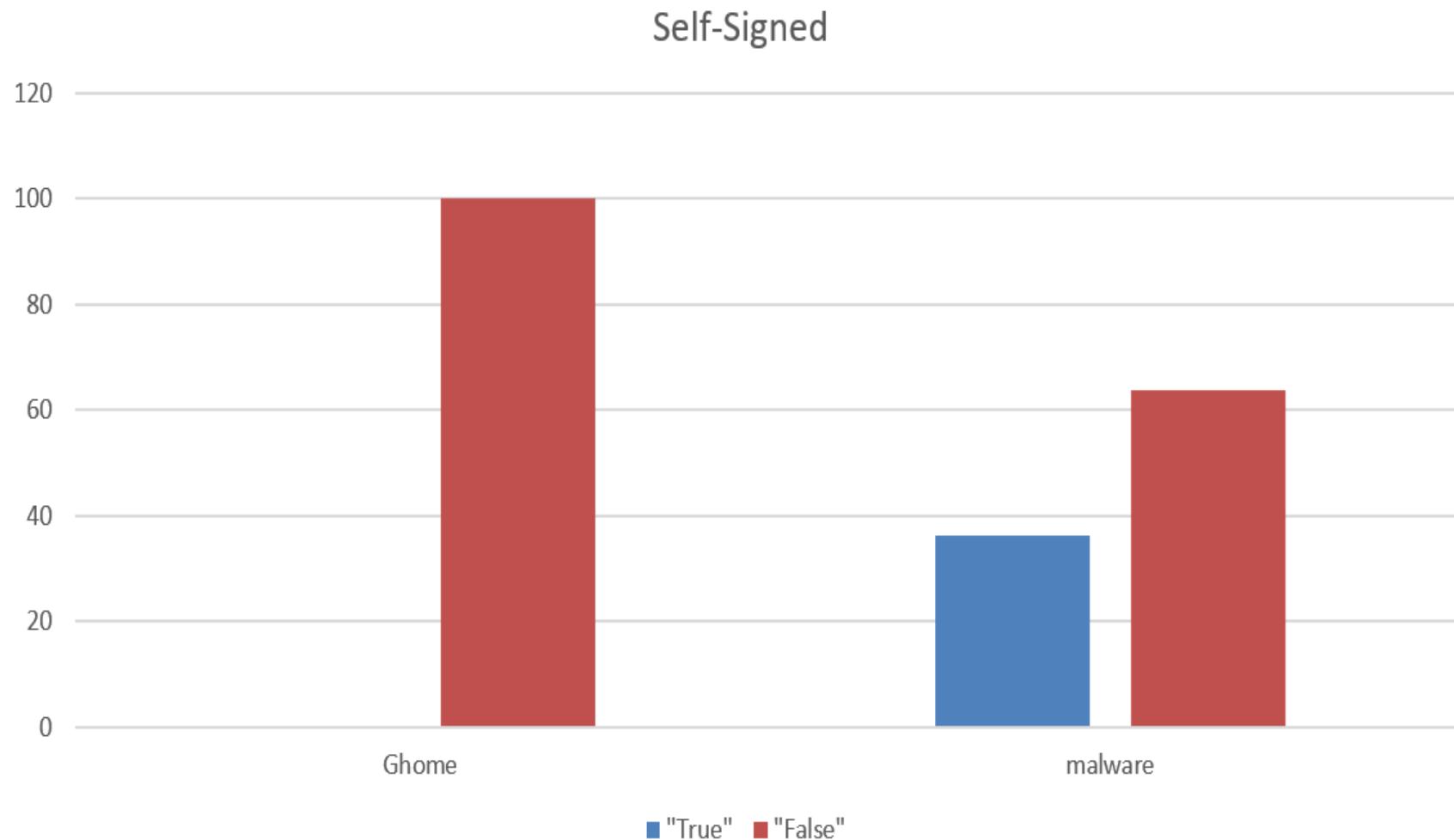
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Supported Group



Malwares offer different supported groups

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# Observable (D)TLS profile parameters

- Observed (D)TLS profile from several IoT devices and thousands of malware helped conclude intended (D)TLS use can be permitted and malicious (D)TLS can be blocked.
- Malware agents cannot mimic (D)TLS profiles of several IoT devices (type and model several manufacturers) and cannot keep up with the updates to (D)TLS profile.

# TLS 1.3

- TLS 1.3 encrypts handshake but allowing inspection of several parameters:
  - List of cipher suites and extensions (e.g., supported versions, named groups, signature algorithms)
  - ServerHello chosen cipher
- Malware use of evasion techniques, such as ClientHello cipher suite randomization, can be detected.

# TLS 1.3

- Full handshake inspection requires active participation in TLS 1.3:
  - Follow the behavior defined in Section 9.3 of RFC8446 to act as a compliant TLS proxy
  - TLS proxy for IT managed IoT devices
  - No need to inspect payload
  - Bypass acting as a proxy for connections destined to specific services due to privacy compliance requirements

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- Comments and suggestions are welcome
- Collaboration to profile benign/malware flows on IoT devices