CRYPTOMINING

versus

CRYPTOJACK NG

What's the difference?

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Who am I?



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CRYPTOMINING

cryptographic calculations you need to earn hot-topic cryptocurrencies such as Bitcoin, Monero or Ethereum







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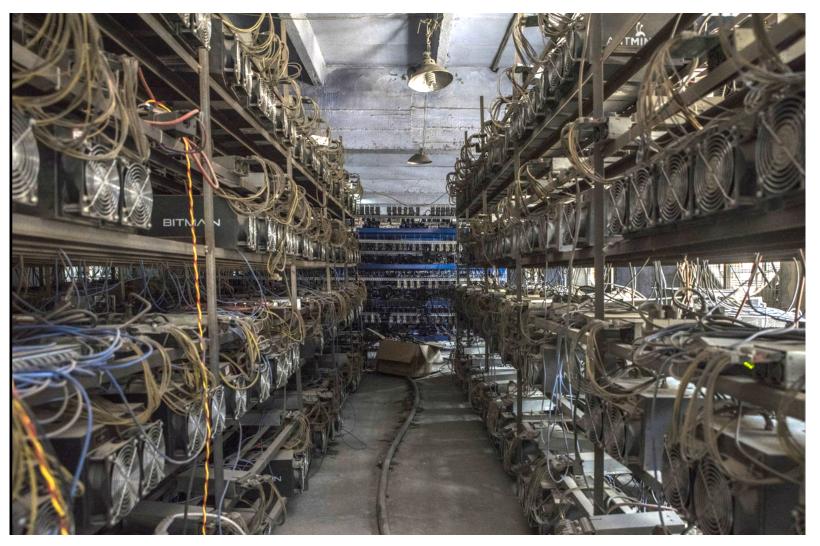


WHY CRYPTOMINING?











Or...

Cryptomining malware on NAS servers – is one of them yours?

08 SEP 2016 0 Malware, SophosLabs



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What are "WannaMine" attacks, and how do I avoid them?





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CRYPTOJACK**I**NG

When you cryptomine without permission (from everyone concerned) then you are cryptojacking and in most organisations, you can assume you don't have permission. 77

\$2 of electricity

A bit of heat

Some fan noise

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Cryptojacking is the new ransomware!

- 1 There's a REPUTATIONAL cost
- 2 There's a REGULATORY cost
- 3 There's an OPPORTUNITY cost
- There's the CUI BONO cost

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The 5 Ps

Patch early, patch often

Pick proper passwords

Protect your portals (e.g. RDP)

Pounce on PUAs

Prefer 2FA



Sophos Synchronised Security

SOPHOS Security made simple.