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A 'bot' is a type of malicious code that allows an attacker to take complete control over the affected computer — turning the computer into a 'robot' that the criminal can remotely control. Once infected, these machines may also be referred to as 'zombies'. Zombies are commonly used to send spam, launch denial-of-service attacks and infect other systems.



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