



Complex Signature IDS

Correlating System and
Application Logs with Traffic
Traces and IDS Alerts

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The Dilemma

Network 'Attack' Detection Systems

PROS:

- very complex
- “good” at detecting attacks
- real time performance and speed

CONS

- Systems will not indicate whether attack was successful or not
- Overwhelming amounts of alerts



Objectives

- iptables log analysis
- tcpdump audit trail
- Microsoft Event Viewer
- Web server log data
- Snort alert processing
- Syslog signatures
- Correlation of data



Iptables Firewall Detect

```
May 26 11:42:17 bello kernel: FW-DROP-DEFAULT IN=eth0  
OUT=MAC=00:07:95:ad:53:2e:00:00:c5:79:60:5c:08:00  
SRC=211.186.120.193 DST=192.168.1.7 LEN=48 TOS=0x00  
PREC=0x00 TTL=111 ID=37130 DF PROTO=TCP SPT=3230  
DPT=1433 WINDOW=16384 RES=0x00 SYN URGP=0
```

Iptables firewall detects a massive scan for TCP 1433, commonly associated with MS-SQL

May 25th Incidents.org notices massive spike in scans for TCP 1433

What the firewall detect sees is only the dropped packets...

What if a packet (or 100) got through? Would you know?

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MAC=00:07:95:ad:53:2e:00:00:c5:79:60:5c:08:00 SRC=211.186.120.193  
DST=192.168.1.4 LEN=48 TOS=0x00 PREC=0x00 TTL=111 ID=37131 DF  
PROTO=TCP SPT=3227 DPT=1433 WINDOW=16384 RES=0x00 SYN URGP=0
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PROTO=TCP SPT=3233 DPT=1433 WINDOW=16384 RES=0x00 SYN URGP=0
```

Check the initial Handlers Diary at Incidents.org (<http://www.incidents.org/diary/diary.php?id=156>) for more information on traffic spikes relating to the SQL-Snake worm. This particular worm exploited machines running MS-SQL Server which have 'SA' accounts with no password.



Response to Iptables Detect

Common Reactions:

- Add offending hosts to drop lists
- Check Cert and Bugtraq for vulnerabilities associated with TCP 1433
- Scan own Network to see if you are running TCP 1433

Am I running anything on TCP 1433?

- Examine tcpdump audit logs for connections to/from TCP 1433 and the outside world

The common reactions to scans run the gamut from “its just a scan... why should I worry about a scan” to “lets automatically block any ip that scans us”. Both are naïve, and in my opinion wrong. Blocking offending hosts based on analysis of inappropriate network activity is perfectly acceptable, but auto-blocking sets one up for a serious DOS attack. Not paying attention to scans will cost you dearly in lost information gathering on your enemy at the gate.

We can learn many things from scanning activity. If the scan is for a specific service, we can make the assumption that the attacker has an exploit for that service, or that he/she is looking for a backdoor into your systems. If they are scanning for a specific service that is only found on one operating system, the attackers probably have a method of compromising that O.S.



Iptables detect response (cont.)

```
# tcpdump -r logfile.dmp 'tcp and src port 1433 and  
(tcp[13] = 18)'
```

```
192.168.1.20.1433 > 211.186.120.193 .3256: S  
1769109842:1769109842(0) ack 959773354 win 5840 <mss  
1460> (DF)  
192.168.1.10.1433 > 211.186.120.193.3273: S  
3205250073:3205250073(0) ack 3833518038 win 16616 <mss  
1260> (DF)  
192.168.1.110.1433 > 211.186.120.193.3358: S  
2619591529:2619591529(0) ack 3480979530 win 16616 <mss  
1460> (DF)
```

What we have done here is read in a binary (pcap format) format log file named logfile.dmp looking for all machines that sent a SYN/ACK packet from a source port of 1433.

Now that we have a list of potentially compromised machines, the System Administrator can now don the hat of the Incident Handler and isolate those machines and assess the level of compromise. The next steps would certainly be to run forensic tools on the machines, gather recovery information from Cert, Security Focus, Incidents.org and other security information sources.



tcpdump audit trail

```
# tcpdump -r logfile.dmp 'tcp and src port 1433 and (tcp[13] = 18)'
```

This simple command would provide you with all SYN/ACK packets coming from a source port of 1433

Now a system administrator can concentrate on Incident Response if any machines have responded
tcpdump is freely available, and highly portable.

tcpdump was originally developed by Lawrence Berkeley Labs, funded by DARPA.

tcpdump is maintained by <http://www.tcpdump.org>

A simple cursory knowledge of BPF filter creation can give an IDS analyst awesome power to extract and analyze events of interest on the network. In the case of the above filter:

```
'tcp and src port 1433 and (tcp[13] = 17)'
```

we are looking for tcp packets, coming from a source port of 1433, that have a value of 3 in the 13th byte offset from zero of the tcp header. This field corresponds with the tcp flags field, and the two least significant bits are the SYN and the ACK, as shown below.

128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1
RES	RES	URG	ACK	PSH	RST	SYN	FIN



tcpdump audit trail

tcpdump's default capture length is 68

Frame header = 14 bytes

IP header = 20 bytes (min); 60 bytes (max)

TCP header = 20 bytes (min); 60 bytes (max)

Set capturelength to 200 allowing for capture of tcp packet with options +/- 80 bytes of embedded data

tcpdump audit trail will give you the fidelity logging that is required to do forensic traffic analysis

Skip ports of extremely high traffic if necessary

The main concerns when setting up a tcpdump audit trail is: how much data can/should we capture? We need to capture enough data to establish whether or not connections took place, and give us a general idea of what took place during that connection.

It is not necessary on the other hand to capture every byte of data in and out of your networks. Perhaps you have a web server farm that is well monitored by other technologies (NIDS, syslog logging facility, and webserver logs). You may wish to exclude TCP port 80 from your captures (this should eliminate your heaviest burden).



tcpdump audit logs

Keep logs in operational store for one week (variable)

Save logs to write once media (DVD, CDROM)

Binary files can be read back with tcpdump, snort, ethereal, virtually any libpcap aware application.

Shadow can help organize and maintain your tcpdump audit trail

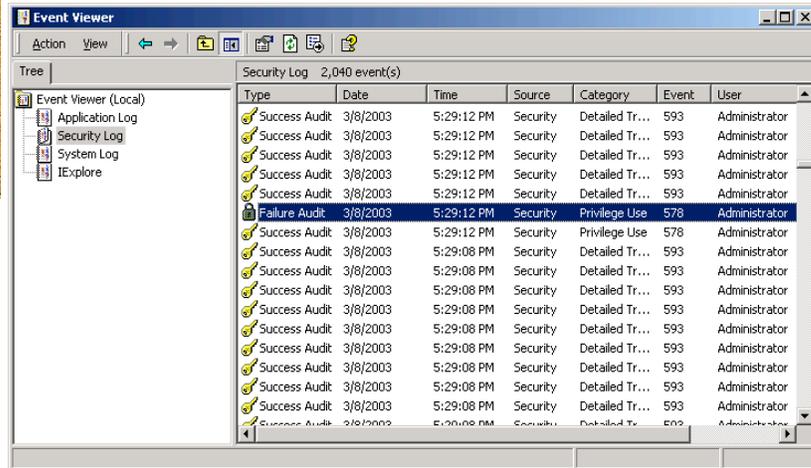
Shadow is available for free, from
<http://www.nswc.navy.mil/ISSEC/CID/>

These numbers are subjective, your mileage may vary. The length of time that you keep logs in operational store (online) will vary according to the amount of data that you collect and the storage size allotted to your online log storage.

Binary tcpdump logs are compact and very versatile. Once saved they can be read by any libpcap aware application, which adds to its universal appeal.



Windows 2000 Event Viewer



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Microsoft Events

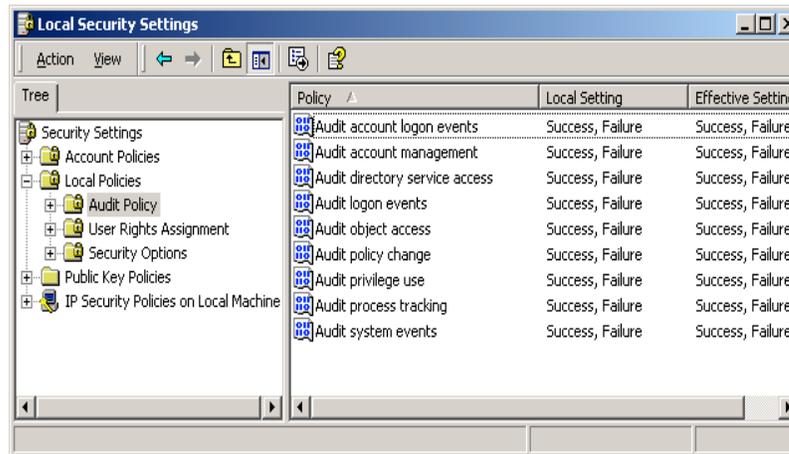
- Windows 2000 Professional Event Viewer
- Security Accounting turned off by default
- Default Event Viewer file size of 512 Bytes
- Very powerful process accounting
- Very detailed event logging
- Largely overlooked in security auditing

Different tools can be used to export Microsoft Events to Syslog. Two of the most powerful and popular are NTEventlogger and NTsyslog. NTEventlogger is a commercial product, and NTsyslog is released under the GPL.

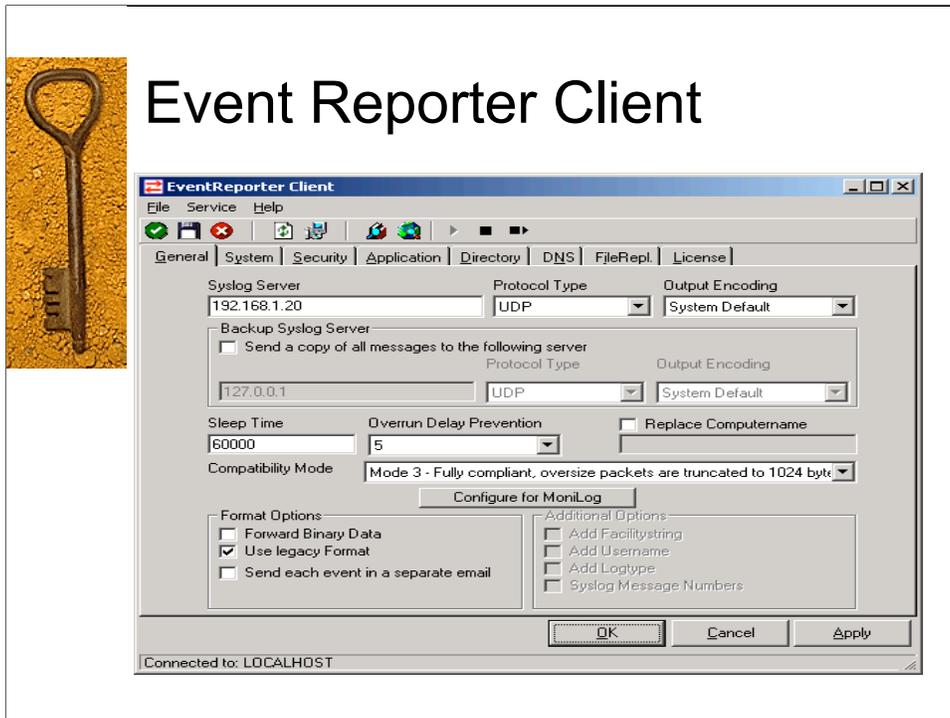
For a complete list of available projects, check
<http://www.loganalysis.org/sections/syslog/windows-to-syslog/index.html>



First step: Enable Auditing



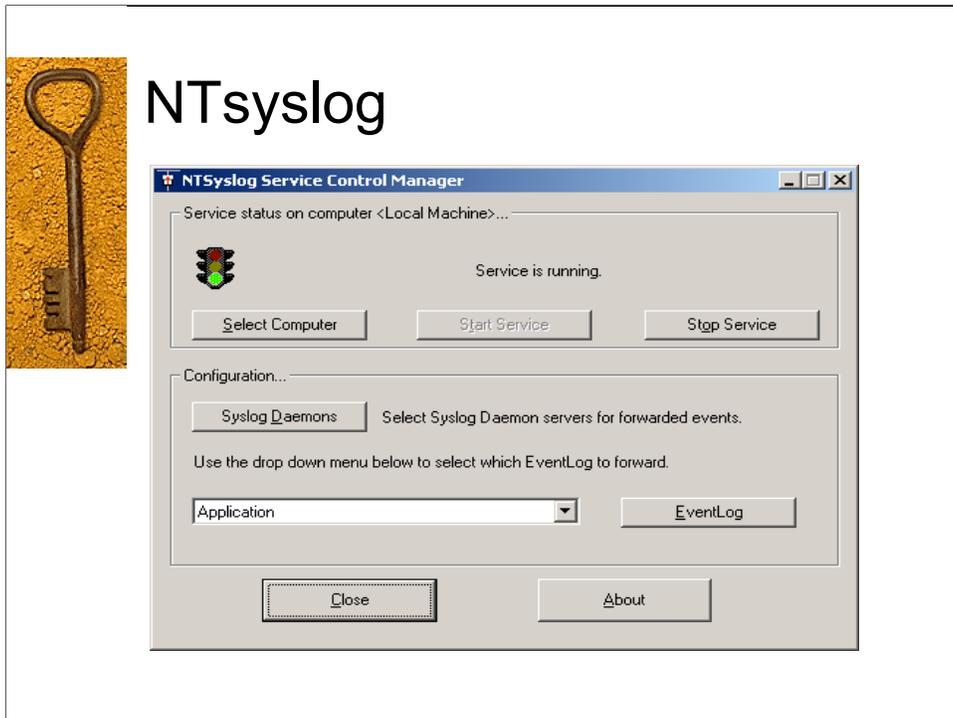
The first step that must be done is to enable Security Auditing. This is turned off by default. Next you want to increase the maximum size of your Event logs, as the default is 512 bytes. This value must be set in 64 byte increments, but Windows will automatically resize them for you. The default setting is to overwrite events as needed. If you have your events exported to syslog, this is probably ok. Otherwise, you have two other choices, clear logs manually (which leaves you in the uncomfortable position of missing new events until you do), or to clear logs after X amount of days (same problem as above).



Two different ways to export your NT event logs to centralized syslog host. 1: Event Reporter (shown above). 2. NTsyslog (next slide).

Event reporter is a great tool, and very useful in the enterprise. It is full featured, supports numerous syslog/syslog-ng options, including different compatibility modes as well as sending messages to email.

Event reporter is commercial software, which costs \$50 per client, with bulk discounts.



NTsyslog is a free open source project, released under GNU General Public License (free as in free beer).

NTsyslog is a full featured service that exports NT/win2k events to a centralized syslog server. NTsyslog installs as a service on the Windows host, so no need for human interaction after setup is needed. The export format is fully compatible with syslog protocol.



Windows Events

Feb 23 21:45:22 192.168.1.10 borg EvntSLog: [AUS] BORG/Security (624) - "User Account Created: New Account Name: evil0ne New Domain: BORG New Account ID: %{S-1-5-21-1708537768-746137067-854245398-1004} Caller User Name: Administrator Caller Domain: BORG Caller Logon ID: (0x0,0x9699) Privileges - "

New user: evil0ne created

In notes, see that the group this user is added to is the Administrators group

Note event id # 624

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Feb 23 21:45:22 192.168.1.10 borg EvntSLog: [AUS] BORG/Security (642) - "User Account Changed: Account Enabled. Target Account Name: evil0ne Target Domain: BORG Target Account ID: %{S-1-5-21-1708537768-746137067-854245398-1004} Caller User Name: Administrator Caller Domain: BORG Caller Logon ID: (0x0,0x9699) Privileges: - "

Feb 23 21:45:23 192.168.1.10 borg EvntSLog: [AUS] BORG/Security (636) - "Security Enabled Local Group Member Added: Member Name: - Member ID:%{S-1-5-21-1708537768-746137067-854245398-1004} Target Account Name: Administrators Target Domain: Builtin Target Account ID: %{S-1-5-32-544} Caller User Name: Administrator Caller Domain: BORG Caller Logon ID: (0x0,0x9699) Privileges: - "

Highly recommended: Security Operations Guide for Windows 2000 Server:

<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/treeview/default.asp?url=/technet/security/prodtech/windows/windows2000/staysecure/secops06.asp>



Event's of Interest

Logon Events

- Successful Network Logins (540)
- Failed Logins of any kind (529-534, 537)

Account Management Events

- Creation of new accounts (624)
- User account type changed (625)
- Change of password (627 failed/ 628 successful)
- Lockout of Account (644)

System Events

- Windows starting up (512)
- security logs cleared (517)

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<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/treeview/default.asp?url=/technet/security/prodtech/windows/windows2000/staysecure/default.asp>

For a complete list of Intrusion Detection and Auditing related Event ID Numbers:

<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/treeview/default.asp?url=/technet/security/prodtech/windows/windows2000/staysecure/secops06.asp>



Code Red, Nimda, & Worm d'jour

Grepping through snort alerts you are faced with this:

```
$ grep -v 'spp' alert | grep '\[*\]' | sort | uniq -c | sort -rn
2908 [*] [1:1002:3] WEB-IIS cmd.exe access [*]
202 [*] [1:1256:4] WEB-IIS CodeRed v2 root.exe access [*]
```

How do you differentiate between successful and failed attempts to exploit these vulnerabilities?

```
[*] [1:1002:3] WEB-IIS cmd.exe access [*]
[Classification: Web Application Attack] [Priority: 1]
05/25-15:53:39.997260 64.86.5.8:4147 -> 192.168.1.5:80
TCP TTL:116 TOS:0x0 ID:2411 IpLen:20 DgmLen:120 DF
***AP*** Seq: 0x7F2D92 Ack: 0x4D605F7D Win: 0x2238 TcpLen:
20
```

This is a simple grep through a random days worth of logs. We see that we are constantly being scanned, probed and prodded for vulnerable IIS web servers. The fact of the matter is, many of us do not know which hosts are running what on our network, much less what patch level they are at.



Snort Log of a cmd.exe event

```
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***AP*** Seq: 0x7F27CD92 Ack: 0x4D605F7D Win: 0x2238 TcpLen:
20
47 45 54 20 2F 64 2F 77 69 6E 6E 74 2F 73 79 73 GET /d/winnt/sys
74 65 6D 33 32 2F 63 6D 64 2E 65 78 65 3F 2F 63 tem32/cmd.exe?/c
2B 64 69 72 20 48 54 54 50 2F 31 2E 30 0D 0A 48 +dir HTTP/1.0..H
6F 73 74 3A 20 77 77 77 0D 0A 43 6F 6E 6E 6E 65 ost: www..Connne
63 74 69 6F 6E 3A 20 63 6C 6F 73 65 0D 0A 0D 0A ction: close....
```

Again, this is great information, but it does not give us much to go on

To get to the bottom of this mystery, we must go to the webserver logs

This shows a packet capture from Snort IDS, showing an attempt to pass parameters to the windows command shell.



Web Server Sanity Check

First on a vulnerable Windows IIS Webserver:

```
$ grep 'cmd.exe' ex030216.log | wc -l  
3025
```

```
$ grep 'cmd.exe' ex030216.log | grep ' 200' | wc -l  
1362
```

Next on a non-vulnerable Apache Webserver

```
$ grep 'cmd.exe' access_log | wc -l  
623461
```

```
$ grep 'cmd.exe' access_log | grep ' 200' | wc -l  
0
```

Everyone involved in network and computer security should have the opportunity to do a sanity check on a web server and run two simple greps:

```
grep 'cmd.exe' <filename>
```

```
grep '/etc/passwd' <filename>
```

From an Apache web server running on Linux (not vulnerable):

```
X.X.X.X - - [30/Jan/2003:14:55:17 -0500] "GET  
/scripts/..%c0%2f../winnt/system32/cmd.exe?/c+dir  
HTTP/1.0" 404 -
```

```
X.X.X.X - - [30/Jan/2003:14:55:18 -0500] "GET  
/scripts/..%c0%af../winnt/system32/cmd.exe?/c+dir  
HTTP/1.0" 404 -
```

```
X.X.X.X - - [30/Jan/2003:14:55:18 -0500] "GET  
/scripts/..%c1%9c../winnt/system32/cmd.exe?/c+dir  
HTTP/1.0" 404 -
```

From a vuln windows webserver, first we see an attempt that didn't work, and then one that did:

```
14:45:45 X.X.X.X GET /scripts/../../../../winnt/system32/cmd.exe 404
```

```
14:46:21 X.X.X.X GET /scripts/../../../../winnt/system32/cmd.exe 200
```



Web server Intrusion Data

192.168.1.101 GET /scripts/../../../../winnt/system32/cmd.exe 200
ip address | http command | URI | HTTP server status code

HTTP/1.1 Server Status Codes commonly seen during attacks:

200 OK “The request has succeeded”.

403 Forbidden

404 File Not Found

500 Internal Server Error

2xx Codes are indications of success

4xx Codes are indications of client error

5xx Codes are indications of server error

14:26:18 192.168.1.100 GET /scripts/../../../../winnt/system32/cmd.exe 500

>> 500 Internal Server Error “The Server encountered an unexpected condition which prevented it from fulfilling the request.

14:28:57 192.168.1.100 GET /scripts/../../../../winnt/system32/cmd.exe 404

>> 404 not found “The server has not found anything matching the Request – URI.

15:06:00 192.168.1.101 GET /scripts/../../../../winnt/system32/cmd.exe 200

>> 200 OK. “The request has succeeded. The information returned with the response is dependent on the method used in the request.”

15:06:41 192.168.1.101 GET /scripts/../../../../winnt/system32/cmd.exe 200

See <http://www.w3.org/Protocols/rfc2616-sec10.html> or
view the rfc directly at <ftp://ftp.rfc-editor.org/in-notes/rfc2616.txt>



Nmap Baseline Analysis

Nmap is a great tool for attackers and defenders alike

Best to see your network as the attackers do

Free, open source network mapper available from <http://www.insecure.org>

Can be used to create a baseline for auditing your network

Nmap is a great tool for auditing your network. Before going down this road, I must caution you however to the dangers of network scanning. Plenty of people have broken networks, caused network outages and disruptions, and lost their jobs or faced prosecution due to unauthorized network mapping. GET PERMISSION IN WRITING.

That said, I find that using nmap to create a known baseline for your listening services on known hosts, then monitoring your network against this baseline (using tools like ndiff) can be of great service in detecting intrusions.



Ndiff

Free Perl module for comparing nmap scans

Very useful for catching backdoor listeners

Can output plain text or html reports

Comes with a variety of tools to manage and run nmap scans

Built for Linux (but probably easily portable to other Unices)

Ndiff is written and maintained by James Levine (jdl@vinecorp.com).

From www.vinecorp.com/ndiff/:

Ndiff compares two nmap scans and outputs the differences.

Ndiff can easily be run as a cron job (see man pages for ndiff and nrun that comes with the package) to automatically run nmap and ndiff, and log the differences from the baseline.



Ndiff (cont.)

Ndiff output in HTML indicating new port listening on TCP 21

The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "Untitled - Galeon". The address bar contains the URL `/sdiego/NDiff-0.04/foodiff/`. The browser displays the following content:

Changed Hosts
*[hosts which have changed since the original scan
-- interesting changed ports shown]*

192.168.1.10

Port	Protocol	Service Name	Original State	Observed State
21	tcp	ftp	unknown	open

Done.



Wu-ftpd woes

Snort detects a format string attack coming across the wire directed at port 21

```
[**] [1:1971:1] FTP SITE EXEC format string attempt [**]  
[Classification: Potentially Bad Traffic] [Priority: 2]  
02/18-23:54:56.583689 192.168.1.40:5247 -> 192.168.1.120:21  
TCP TTL:64 TOS:0x0 ID:18709 IpLen:20 DgmLen:563 DF  
***AP*** Seq: 0xCBF0F49A Ack: 0x1EA7F50A Win: 0x81D0  
    TcpLen: 32  
TCP Options (3) => NOP NOP TS: 14407154 900325
```

* See notes for the other alerts

```
ftp.rules:alert tcp $EXTERNAL_NET any -> $HOME_NET 21 (msg:"FTP SITE  
EXEC format string attempt"; flow:to_server,established; content:"SITE"; nocase;  
content:"EXEC "; nocase; distance:0; content:"%"; distance:1; content:"%";  
distance:1; classtype:bad-unknown; sid:1971; rev:1;)
```

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[**] [1:1971:1] FTP SITE EXEC format string attempt [**]  
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***AP*** Seq: 0xCBF0F49A Ack: 0x1EA7F50A Win: 0x81D0 TcpLen: 32  
TCP Options (3) => NOP NOP TS: 14407154 900325
```

```
[**] [1:1748:4] FTP command overflow attempt [**]  
[Classification: Generic Protocol Command Decode] [Priority: 3]  
02/18-23:54:57.602011 192.168.1.40:5247 -> 192.168.1.120:21  
TCP TTL:64 TOS:0x0 ID:18711 IpLen:20 DgmLen:201 DF  
***AP*** Seq: 0xCBF0F699 Ack: 0x1EA7F8F0 Win: 0x8C58 TcpLen: 32  
TCP Options (3) => NOP NOP TS: 14407256 900326  
[Xref => bugtraq 4638]
```

```
[**] [1:498:3] ATTACK RESPONSES id check returned root [**]
```



Wuftpд woes (cont.)

Now that we have our snort alerts, we must validate the traffic

After examining the snort rule, its time to view the packet that triggered the alert

```
# tcpdump -nnXr <logfile> 'port 21 and port 5247'
```

* See notes for packet dump

```
23:54:56.583689 192.168.1.40.5247 > 192.168.1.120.21: P 36557:37068(511) ack 69467 win 33232 <nop,no
```

```
p,timestamp 14407154 900325> (DF)
```

```
0x0000  4500 0233 4915 4000 4006 6bbf c0a8 0128    E..3I.@.@.k....(
0x0010  c0a8 0178 147f 0015 cbf0 f49a 1ea7 f50a    ...x.....
0x0020  8018 81d0 9989 0000 0101 080a 00db d5f2    .....
0x0030  000d bce5 5349 5445 2045 5845 4320 3720    ....SITE.EXEC.7.
0x0040  fccb ffff bf50 7350 73fd cbff ffbf 5073    .....PsPs.....Ps
0x0050  5073 fecb ffff bf50 7350 73ff ffcf ffff    Ps.....PsPs.....
0x0060  bf25 2e66 252e 6625 2e66 252e 6625 2e66    .%.f%.f%.f%.f%.f
0x0070  252e 6625 2e66 252e 6625 2e66 252e 6625    %.f%.f%.f%.f%.f%.
0x0080  2e66 252e 6625 2e66 252e 6625 2e66 252e    .f%.f%.f%.f%.f%.
0x0090  6625 2e66 252e 6625 2e66 252e 6625 2e66    f%.f%.f%.f%.f%.f
0x00a0  252e 6625 2e66 252e 6625 2e66 252e 6625    %.f%.f%.f%.f%.f%.
0x00b0  2e66 252e 6625 2e66 252e 6625 2e66 252e    .f%.f%.f%.f%.f%.
0x00c0  6625 2e66 252e 6625 2e66 252e 6625 2e66    f%.f%.f%.f%.f%.f
0x00d0  252e 6625 2e66 252e 6625 2e66 252e 6625    %.f%.f%.f%.f%.f%
```



Wu-ftpd woes (cont.)

Now we have validated that there was an attack

Was it successful?

What did the attacker do after that packet flew by our NIDS?

Pull syslog data to find out

Now that we have confirmed that the attack matches a known pattern for an attack against a wu-ftpd server, versions 2.6.1 and below, we must now determine whether or not the attack was successful or not.

We now go to our central syslog server and pull the logs relating to that ftp server.



Wu-ftpd woes Syslog Data

```
Feb 18 00:17:27 192.168.1.120 xinetd[6204]: START: ftp pid=6208
from=192.168.1.40
Feb 18 00:17:30 192.168.1.120 ftpd[6208]: ANONYMOUS FTP LOGIN FROM
192.168.1.40 [192.168.1.40], mozilla@
Feb 18 00:19:53 192.168.1.120 useradd[6308]: new group: name=evil, gid=501
Feb 18 00:19:53 192.168.1.120 useradd[6308]: new user: name=evil, uid=0,
gid=501, home=/home/evil, shell=/bin/bash
Feb 18 00:20:32 192.168.1.120 useradd[6309]: new group: name=evilnorm,
gid=502
Feb 18 00:20:32 192.168.1.120 useradd[6309]: new user: name=evilnorm,
uid=501, gid=502, home=/home/evilnorm, shell=/bin/bash
Feb 18 00:21:31 192.168.1.120 sshd[6313]: Could not reverse map address
192.168.1.40.
Feb 18 00:21:43 192.168.1.120 sshd[6313]: Accepted password for ROOT from
192.168.1.40 port 5242 ssh2
Feb 18 00:21:43 192.168.1.120 sshd(pam_unix)[6313]: session opened for user
evil by (uid=0)
```

As you can see, we start with an anonymous ftp login from 192.168.1.40, no application crash, then he adds two users, one normal and one root. An hour later, we see the user return and login as root via ssh. Sign of Compromise? Now we know for sure.

```
Feb 18 00:17:27 192.168.1.120 xinetd[6204]: START: ftp pid=6208
from=192.168.1.40
```

```
Feb 18 00:17:30 192.168.1.120 ftpd[6208]: ANONYMOUS FTP LOGIN FROM
192.168.1.40 [192.168.1.40], mozilla@
```

```
Feb 18 00:19:53 192.168.1.120 useradd[6308]: new group: name=evil, gid=501
```

```
Feb 18 00:19:53 192.168.1.120 useradd[6308]: new user: name=evil, uid=0, gid=501,
home=/home/evil, shell=/bin/bash
```

```
Feb 18 00:20:32 192.168.1.120 useradd[6309]: new group: name=evilnorm, gid=502
```

```
Feb 18 00:20:32 192.168.1.120 useradd[6309]: new user: name=evilnorm, uid=501,
gid=502, home=/home/evilnorm, shell=/bin/bash
```

```
Feb 18 00:21:18 192.168.1.120 sshd[6312]: Connection closed by 192.168.1.40
```

```
Feb 18 00:21:31 192.168.1.120 sshd[6313]: Could not reverse map address
192.168.1.40.
```

```
Feb 18 00:21:43 192.168.1.120 sshd[6313]: Accepted password for ROOT from
192.168.1.40 port 5242 ssh2
```

```
Feb 18 00:21:43 192.168.1.120 sshd(pam_unix)[6313]: session opened for user evil
bv (uid=0)
```



Failed wu-ftpd Format Strings Attack

```
0x0000 4500 004c fcf2 4000 4006 b9dc c0a8 0114 E..L..@.@.....
0x0010 c0a8 0178 0402 0015 40e9 3cff e814 a6eb ...x...@.<.....
0x0020 8018 16d0 8446 0000 0101 080a 008f c00d .....F.....
0x0030 0006 312d 5349 5445 2045 5845 4320 2530 ...1-SITE.EXEC.%0
0x0040 3230 647c 252e 6625 2e66 7c0a 20d|%.f%.f|.
```

```
23:34:11.173795 192.168.1.120.ftp > foo.foo.1026: P 168:203(35) ack 48 win 5792
<nop,nop,timestamp 405806 9420813> (DF)
```

```
0x0000 4500 0057 9772 4000 4006 1f52 c0a8 0178 E..W.r@.@..R...x
0x0010 c0a8 0114 0015 0402 e814 a6eb 40e9 3d17 .....@.=.
0x0020 8018 16a0 783d 0000 0101 080a 0006 312e ....x=.....1.
0x0030 008f c00d 3530 3220 4558 4543 2063 6f6d ....502.EXEC.com
0x0040 6d61 6e64 206e 6f74 2069 6d70 6c65 6d65 mand.not.impleme
0x0050 6e74 6564 2e0d 0a nted...
```

Once we apply patches to the wu-ftpd server, the exploit is tried again, and it does not work.

```
23:34:15.365843 192.168.1.120.ftp > foo.foo.1026: P 203:240(37) ack 49 win 5792
<nop,nop,timestamp 406226 942123> (DF)
0x0000 4500 0059 9773 4000 4006 1f4f c0a8 0178 E..Y.s@.@..Q..x
0x0010 c0a8 0114 0015 0402 e814 a70e 40e9 3d18 .....@.=
0x0020 8018 16a0 e492 0000 0101 080a 0006 3d22 .....2
0x0030 008f c160 3232 3120 596f 7520 636f 756c ...221.You.cou!
0x0040 6420 6174 206c 6561 7374 2073 6179 2067 d.at.least.say.g
0x0050 69f 6462 7965 2e0d 0a oodbye...
```



Basic Correlation Parameters

Event
Attacker or Target
Time
Host
Network
Service

We've seen in this presentation how we can correlate basic information from existing system and application logs to further investigate and analyze the events that come across our ids.



Future Complex IDS Signature Research

We have reached a point where the system resources are available to do complex signature IDS

Need for a Complex Signature Database

Need for log parsing tools that will alert based on log signatures.

<http://www.loganalysis.org>

Thanks to the work of Tina Bird, Marcus Ranum and many others, we are slowly building up a database of system and application signatures and the tools to find them.

I highly recommend Tina and Marcus' website <http://www.loganalysis.org> as well as Tina's mailing list.