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```
-*> Snort++ <*-
o" )~ Version 3.0.0-a4 (Build 217) from 2.9.7-262

''' By Martin Roesch & The Snort Team
    http://snort.org/contact#team
    Copyright (C) 2014-2016 Cisco and/or its affiliates. All rights reserved.
    Copyright (C) 1998-2013 Sourcefire, Inc., et al.</pre>
```

## 1 Overview

Snort++ is an updated version of the Snort IPS (intrusion prevention system). This document assumes you have some familiarity with Snort and are looking to see what Snort++ has to offer. Here are some of the basic goals for Snort++:

- Support multiple packet processing threads
- Use a shared configuration and attribute table
- Use a simple, scriptable configuration
- Make key components pluggable
- Autogenerate reference documentation
- Autodetect services for portless configuration
- Support sticky buffers in rules
- Provide better cross platform support

The above goals are met with this first alpha release. Additional, longer-term goals are:

- Use a shared network map
- Support pipelining of packet processing
- Support hardware offload and data plane integration

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- Rewrite critical modules like TCP reassembly and HTTP inspection
- Support proxy mode
- Facilitate component testing
- · Simplify memory management
- Provide all of Snort's functionality

This first alpha release is based on Snort 2.9.6-9 and excludes all but one of Snort's dynamic preprocessors. Work is underway to port that functionality and additions will be rolled out as they become available.

# 1.1 Configuration

Note that retaining backwards compatibility is not a goal. While Snort++ leverages some of the Snort code base, a lot has changed. The configuration of Snort++ is done with Lua, so your old conf won't work as is. Rules are still text based but nonetheless incompatible. However, Snort2Lua will help you convert your conf and rules to the new format.

The original Snort manual may be useful for some background information not yet documented for Snort++. The configuration differences are given in this manual.

# 1.2 Modules

Snort++ is organized into a collection of builtin and plugin modules. If a module has parameters, it is configured by a Lua table of the same name. For example, we can see what the active module has to offer with this command:

```
$ snort --help-module active
What: configure responses

Type: basic

Configuration:
int active.attempts = 0: number of TCP packets sent per response (with varying sequence numbers) { 0:20 }

string active.device: use 'ip' for network layer responses or 'eth0' etc for link layer

string active.dst_mac: use format '01:23:45:67:89:ab'
int active.max_responses = 0: maximum number of responses { 0: }

int active.min_interval = 255: minimum number of seconds between responses { 1: }
```

This says active is a basic module that has several parameters. For each, you will see:

```
type module.name = default: help { range }
```

For example, the active module has a max\_responses parameter that takes non-negative integer values and defaults to zero. We can change that in Lua as follows:

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```
active = { max_responses = 1 }

or:
active = { }
active.max_responses = 1

If we also wanted to limit retries to at least 5 seconds, we could do:
active = { max_responses = 1, min_interval = 5 }
```

# 1.3 Plugins and Scripts

There are several plugin types:

- Codec to decode and encode packets
- Inspector like the prior preprocessors, for normalization, etc.
- IpsOption for detection in Snort++ IPS rules
- IpsAction for custom rule actions
- Logger for handling events
- Mpse for fast pattern matching
- So for dynamic rules

Most plugins can be built statically or dynamically. By default they are all static. There is no difference in functionality between static or dynamic plugins but the dynamic build generates a slightly lighter weight binary. Either way you can add dynamic plugins with --plugin-path and newer versions will replace older versions, even when built statically.

The power of plugins is that they have a very focused purpose and can be created with relative ease. For example, you can extend the rule language by writing your own IpsOption and it will plug in and function just like existing options. The extra directory has examples of each type of plugin.

Some things just need to be tweaked or prototyped quickly. In addition to the Lua conf, which is a script that can contain functions to compute settings, etc., you can also script Loggers and IpsOptions.

# 1.4 New Http Inspector

One of the major undertakings for Snort 3.0 is developing a completely new HTTP inspector. You can configure it by adding:

```
http_inspect = {}
```

to your snort.lua configuration file. Or you can read it in the source code under src/service\_inspectors/http\_inspect.

The classic HTTP preprocessor is still available in the alpha release under extra. It has been renamed http\_server. Be sure not to configure both old and new HTTP inspectors at the same time.

So why a new HTTP inspector?

For starters it is object-oriented. That's good for us because we maintain this software. But it should also be really nice for open-source developers. You can make meaningful changes and additions to HTTP processing without having to understand the whole thing. In fact much of the new HTTP inspector's knowledge of HTTP is centralized in a series of tables where it can be easily reviewed and modified. Many significant changes can be made just by updating these tables.

Http\_inspect is the first inspector written specifically for the new Snort 3.0 architecture. That provides access to one of the very best features of Snort 3.0: purely PDU-based inspection. The classic preprocessor processes HTTP messages, but even while

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doing so it is constantly aware of IP packets and how they divide up the TCP data stream. The same HTTP message might be processed differently depending on how the sender (bad guy) divided it up into IP packets.

Http\_inspect is free of this burden and can focus exclusively on HTTP. That makes it much simpler, easier to test, and less prone to false positives. It also greatly reduces the opportunity for adversaries to probe the inspector for weak spots by adjusting packet boundaries to disguise bad behavior.

Dealing solely with HTTP messages also opens the door for developing major new features. The http\_inspect design supports true stateful processing. Want to ask questions that involve both the client request and the server response? Or different requests in the same session? These things are possible.

Another new feature on the horizon is HTTP/2 analysis. HTTP/2 derives from Google's SPDY project and is in the process of being standardized. Despite the name, it is better to think of HTTP/2 not as a newer version of HTTP/1.1, but rather a separate protocol layer that runs under HTTP/1.1 and on top of TLS or TCP. It's a perfect fit for the new Snort 3.0 architecture because a new HTTP/2 inspector would naturally output HTTP/1.1 messages but not any underlying packets. Exactly what http\_inspect wants to input.

Http\_inspect is taking a very different approach to HTTP header fields. The classic preprocessor divides all the HTTP headers following the start line into cookies and everything else. It normalizes the two pieces using a generic process and puts them in buffers that one can write rules against. There is some limited support for examining individual headers within the inspector but it is very specific.

The new concept is that every header should be normalized in an appropriate and specific way and individually made available for the user to write rules against it. If for example a header is supposed to be a date then normalization means put that date in a standard format.

### 1.5 Binder and Wizard

One of the fundamental differences between Snort and Snort++ concerns configuration related to networks and ports. Here is a brief review of Snort's configuration for network and service related components:

- Snort's configuration has a default policy and optional policies selected by VLAN or network (with config binding).
- Each policy contains a user defined set of preprocessor configurations.
- Each preprocessor has a default configuration and some support non-default configurations selected by network.
- Most preprocessors have port configurations.
- The default policy may also contain a list of ports to ignore.

In Snort++, the above configurations are done in a single module called the binder. Here is an example:

```
binder =
{
    -- allow all tcp port 22:
    -- (similar to snort 2.X config ignore_ports)
    { when = { proto = 'tcp', ports = '22' }, use = { action = 'allow' } },

-- select a config file by vlan
    -- (similar to snort 2.X config binding by vlan)
{ when = { vlans = '1024' }, use = { file = 'vlan.lua' } },

-- use a non-default HTTP inspector for port 8080:
    -- (similar to a snort 2.X targeted preprocessor config)
{ when = { nets = '192.168.0.0/16', proto = 'tcp', ports = '8080' },
    use = { name = 'alt_http', type = 'http_inspect' } },
```

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```
-- use the default inspectors:
-- (similar to a snort 2.X default preprocessor config)
{ when = { proto = 'tcp' }, use = { type = 'stream_tcp' } },
{ when = { service = 'http' }, use = { type = 'http_inspect' } },
-- figure out which inspector to run automatically:
    { use = { type = 'wizard' } }
}
```

Bindings are evaluated when a session starts and again if and when service is identified on the session. Essentially, the bindings are a list of when-use rules evaluated from top to bottom. The first matching network and service configurations are applied. binder.when can contain any combination of criteria and binder.use can specify an action, config file, or inspector configuration.

Using the wizard enables port-independent configuration and the detection of malware command and control channels. If the wizard is bound to a session, it peeks at the initial payload to determine the service. For example, *GET* would indicate HTTP and *HELO* would indicate SMTP. Upon finding a match, the service bindings are reevaluated so the session can be handed off to the appropriate inspector. The wizard is still under development; if you find you need to tweak the defaults please let us know.

#### Additional Details:

- If the wizard and one or more service inspectors are configured w/o explicitly configuring the binder, default bindings will be generated which should work for most common cases.
- Also note that while Snort 2.X bindings can only be configured in the default policy, each Snort 3.0 policy can contain a binder leading to an arbitrary hierarchy.
- The entire configuration can be reloaded and hot-swapped during run-time via signal or command in both Snort 2.X and 3.0. Ultimately, Snort 3.0 will support commands to update the binder on the fly, thus enabling incremental reloads of individual inspectors.
- Both Snort 2.X and 3.0 support server specific configurations via a hosts table (XML in Snort 2.X and Lua in Snort 3.0). The table allows you to map network, protocol, and port to a service and policy. This table can be reloaded and hot-swapped separately from the config file.
- You can find the specifics on the binder, wizard, and hosts tables in the manual or command line like this: snort --help-module binder, etc.

## 1.6 Packet Processing

One of the goals of Snort++ is to provide a more flexible framework for packet processing by implementing an event-driven approach. Another is to produce data only when needed, to minimize expensive normalizations. To help explain these concepts, let's start by examining how Snort processes packets. The key steps are given in the following figure:



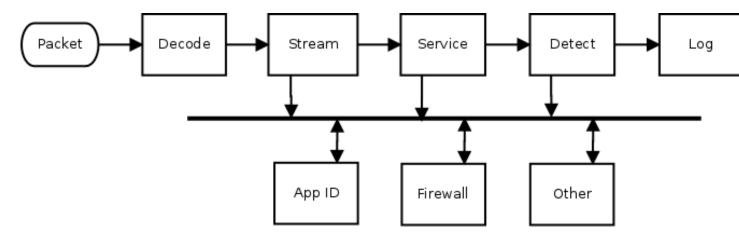
The preprocess step is highly configurable. Arbitrary preprocessors can be loaded dynamically at startup, configured in snort.conf, and then executed at runtime. Basically, the preprocessors are put into a list which is iterated for each packet. Recent versions have tweaked the list handling some, but the same basic architecture has allowed Snort to grow from a sniffer, with no preprocessing, to a full-fledged IPS, with lots of preprocessing.

While this "list of plugins" approach has considerable flexibility, it hampers future development when the flow of data from one preprocessor to the next depends on traffic conditions, a common situation with advanced features like application identification. In this case, a preprocessor like HTTP may be extracting and normalizing data that ultimately is not used, or app ID may be repeatedly checking for data that is just not available.

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Callbacks help break out of the preprocess straightjacket. This is where one preprocessor supplies another with a function to call when certain data is available. Snort has started to take this approach to pass some HTTP and SIP preprocessor data to app ID. However, it remains a peripheral feature and still requires the production of data that may not be consumed.

The basic processing steps Snort++ takes are similar to Snort's as seen in the following diagram. The preprocess step employs specific inspector types instead of a generalized list, but the basic procedure includes stateless packet decoding, TCP stream reassembly, and service specific analysis in both cases. (Snort++ provides hooks for arbitrary inspectors, but they are not central to basic flow processing and are not shown.)



However, Snort++ also provides a more flexible mechanism than callback functions. By using inspection events, it is possible for an inspector to supply data that other inspectors can process. This is known as the observer pattern or publish-subscribe pattern.

Note that the data is not actually published. Instead, access to the data is published, and that means that subscribers can access the raw or normalized version(s) as needed. Normalizations are done only on the first access, and subsequent accesses get the previously normalized data. This results in just in time (JIT) processing.

A basic example of this in action is provided by the extra data\_log plugin. It is a passive inspector, ie it does nothing until it receives the data it subscribed for (*other* in the above diagram). By adding data\_log = { key = http\_raw\_uri } to your snort.lua configuration, you will get a simple URI logger.

Inspection events coupled with pluggable inspectors provide a very flexible framework for implementing new features. And JIT buffer stuffers allow Snort++ to work smarter, not harder. These capabilities will be leveraged more and more as Snort++ development continues.

# 2 Getting Started

The following pointers will help you get started:

# 2.1 Dependencies

Required:

- · autotools or cmake to build from source
- daq from http://www.snort.org for packet IO
- g++>=4.8 or other recent C++11 compiler
- dnet from https://github.com/dugsong/libdnet.git for network utility functions
- hwloc from https://www.open-mpi.org/projects/hwloc/ for CPU affinity management
- LuaJIT from http://luajit.org for configuration and scripting

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OpenSSL from https://www.openssl.org/source/ for SHA and MD5 file signatures, the protected\_content rule option, and SSL service detection

- pcap from http://www.tcpdump.org for tcpdump style logging
- pcre from http://www.pcre.org for regular expression pattern matching
- pkgconfig from https://www.freedesktop.org/wiki/Software/pkg-config/ to locate build dependencies
- zlib from http://www.zlib.net for decompression (>= 1.2.8 recommended)

#### Optional:

- lzma >= 5.1.2 from http://tukaani.org/xz/ for decompression of SWF and PDF files
- hyperscan from https://github.com/01org/hyperscan to build new and improved regex and (coming soon) fast pattern support
- cpputest from http://cpputest.github.io to run additional unit tests with make check
- asciidoc from http://www.methods.co.nz/asciidoc/ to build the HTML manual
- dblatex from http://dblatex.sourceforge.net to build the pdf manual (in addition to asciidoc)
- w3m from http://sourceforge.net/projects/w3m/ to build the plain text manual
- source-highlight from http://www.gnu.org/software/src-highlite/ to generate the dev guide
- safec from https://sourceforge.net/projects/safeclib/ for runtime bounds checks on certain legacy C-library calls.

# 2.2 Building

- Optionally built features are listed in the reference section.
- Create an install path:

```
export my_path=/path/to/snorty
mkdir -p $my_path
```

• If you are using a github clone with autotools, do this:

```
autoreconf -isvf
```

- Now do one of the following:
  - a. To build with autotools, simply do the usual from the top level directory:

```
./configure --prefix=$my_path
make -j 8
make install
```

b. To build with cmake and make, run configure\_cmake.sh. It will automatically create and populate a new subdirectory named *build*.

```
./configure_cmake.sh --prefix=$my_path
cd build
make -j 8
make install
ln -s $my_path/conf $my_path/etc
```

c. You can also specify a cmake project generator:

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```
./configure cmake.sh --generator=Xcode --prefix=$my path
```

d. Or use ccmake directly to configure and generate from an arbitrary build directory like one of these:

```
ccmake -G Xcode /path/to/Snort++/tree
open snort.xcodeproj

ccmake -G "Eclipse CDT4 - Unix Makefiles" /path/to/Snort++/tree
run eclipse and do File > Import > Existing Eclipse Project
```

• To build with g++ on OS X where clang is installed, do this first:

```
export CXX=g++
```

#### 2.3 Run

First set up the environment:

```
export LUA_PATH=$my_path/include/snort/lua\?.lua\;\;
export SNORT_LUA_PATH=$my_path/etc/snort/
```

Then give it a go:

• Get some help:

```
$my_path/bin/snort --help
$my_path/bin/snort --help-module suppress
$my_path/bin/snort --help-config | grep thread
```

• Examine and dump a pcap:

```
$my_path/bin/snort -r <pcap>
$my_path/bin/snort -K text -d -e -q -r <pcap>
```

• Verify config, with or w/o rules:

```
$my_path/bin/snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua
$my_path/bin/snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua -R $my_path/etc/snort/sample. 
rules
```

• Run IDS mode. To keep it brief, look at the first n packets in each file:

```
my_path/bin/snort -c my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua -R my_path/etc/snort/sample. 

-r <pcap> -A alert_test -n 100000
```

• Let's suppress 1:2123. We could edit the conf or just do this:

```
$my_path/bin/snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua -R $my_path/etc/snort/sample. ←
  rules \
  -r <pcap> -A alert_test -n 100000 --lua "suppress = { { gid = 1, sid = 2123 } ←
  }"
```

• Go whole hog on a directory with multiple packet threads:

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```
$my_path/bin/snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua -R $my_path/etc/snort/sample. ←
  rules \
    --pcap-filter \*.pcap --pcap-dir <dir> -A alert_fast -n 1000 --max-packet- ←
    threads 8
```

For more examples, see the usage section.

# **2.4 Tips**

One of the goals of Snort++ is to make it easier to configure your sensor. Here is a summary of tips and tricks you may find useful.

#### General Use

- Snort tries hard not to error out too quickly. It will report multiple semantic errors.
- Snort always assumes the simplest mode of operation. Eg, you can omit the -T option to validate the conf if you don't provide a packet source.
- Warnings are not emitted unless --warn-\* is specified. --warn-all enables all warnings, and --pedantic makes such warnings fatal.
- You can process multiple sources at one time by using the -z or --max-threads option.
- To make it easy to find the important data, zero counts are not output at shutdown.
- Load plugins from the command line with --plugin-path/path/to/install/lib.
- You can process multiple sources at one time by using the -z or --max-threads option.
- Unit tests are configured with --enable-unit-tests. They can then be run with snort --catch-test [tags]|all.

### Lua Configuration

- Configure the wizard and default bindings will be created based on configured inspectors. No need to explicitly bind ports in
  this case
- You can override or add to your Lua conf with the --lua command line option.
- The Lua conf is a live script that is executed when loaded. You can add functions, grab environment variables, compute values, etc.
- You can also rename symbols that you want to disable. For example, changing normalizer to Xnormalizer (an unknown symbol) will disable the normalizer. This can be easier than commenting in some cases.
- By default, symbols unknown to Snort++ are silently ignored. You can generate warnings for them with --warn-unknown. To ignore such symbols, export them in the environment variable SNORT\_IGNORE.

### Writing and Loading Rules

Snort++ rules allow arbitrary whitespace. Multi-line rules make it easier to structure your rule for clarity. There are multiple ways to add comments to your rules:

- Like Snort, the # character starts a comment to end of line. In addition, all lines between #begin and #end are comments.
- The rem option allows you to write a comment that is conveyed with the rule.
- C style multi-line comments are allowed, which means you can comment out portions of a rule while testing it out by putting the options between /\* and \*/.

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There are multiple ways to load rules too:

- Set ips.rules or ips.include.
- Snort 2.X include statements can be used in rules files.
- Use -R to load a rules file.
- Use --stdin-rules with command line redirection.
- Use --lua to specify one or more rules as a command line argument.

### **Output Files**

To make it simple to configure outputs when you run with multiple packet threads, output files are not explicitly configured. Instead, you can use the options below to format the paths:

```
<logdir>/[<run_prefix>][<id#>][<X>]<name>
```

- logdir is set with -l and defaults to ./
- run\_prefix is set with --run-prefix else not used
- id# is the packet thread number that writes the file; with one packet thread, id# (zero) is omitted without --id-zero
- X is / if you use --id-subdir, else \_ if id# is used
- name is based on module name that writes the file
- · all text mode outputs default to stdout

# 2.5 Help

```
Snort has several options to get more help:
-? list command line options (same as --help)
--help this overview of help
--help-commands [<module prefix>] output matching commands
--help-config [<module prefix>] output matching config options
--help-counts [<module prefix>] output matching peg counts
--help-module <module> output description of given module
--help-modules list all available modules with brief help
--help-plugins list all available plugins with brief help
--help-options [<option prefix>] output matching command line options
--help-signals dump available control signals
--list-buffers output available inspection buffers
--list-builtin [<module prefix>] output matching builtin rules
--list-gids [<module prefix>] output matching generators
--list-modules [<module type>] list all known modules
--list-plugins list all known modules
--show-plugins list module and plugin versions
--help* and --list* options preempt other processing so should be last on the
command line since any following options are ignored. To ensure options like
--markup and --plugin-path take effect, place them ahead of the help or list
options.
Options that filter output based on a matching prefix, such as --help-config
won't output anything if there is no match. If no prefix is given, everything
matches.
Report bugs to bugs@snort.org.
```

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## 2.6 Common Errors

FATAL: snort\_config is required

• add this line near top of file:

```
require('snort_config')
```

PANIC: unprotected error in call to Lua API (cannot open snort\_defaults.lua: No such file or directory)

• export SNORT\_LUA\_PATH to point to any dofiles

ERROR can't find xyz

• if xyz is the name of a module, make sure you are not assigning a scalar where a table is required (e.g. xyz = 2 should be xyz = { }).

ERROR can't find x.y

• module x does not have a parameter named y. check --help-module x for available parameters.

ERROR invalid x.y = z

• the value z is out of range for x.y. check --help-config x.y for the range allowed.

ERROR:  $x = \{ y = z \}$  is in conf but is not being applied

• make sure that  $x = \{ \}$  isn't set later because it will override the earlier setting. same for x.y.

FATAL: can't load lua/errors.lua: lua/errors.lua:68: = expected near ';'

• this is a syntax error reported by Lua to Snort on line 68 of errors.lua.

ERROR: rules(2) unknown rule keyword: find.

• this was due to not including the --script-path.

WARNING: unknown symbol x

• if you any variables, you can squelch such warnings by setting them in an environment variable SNORT\_IGNORE. to ignore x, y, and z:

```
export SNORT_IGNORE="x y z"
```

## 2.7 Gotchas

• A nil key in a table will not caught. Neither will a nil value in a table. Neither of the following will cause errors, nor will they actually set http\_server.post\_depth:

```
http_server = { post_depth }
http_server = { post_depth = undefined_symbol }
```

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• It is not an error to set a value multiple times. The actual value applied may not be the last in the table either. It is best to avoid such cases.

```
http_server =
{
    post_depth = 1234,
    post_depth = 4321
}
```

- Snort can't tell you the exact filename or line number of a semantic error but it will tell you the fully qualified name.
- The dump DAQ will not work with multiple threads unless you use --daq-var file=/dev/null. This will be fixed in at some point to use the Snort log directory, etc.
- Variables are currently processed in an order determined by the Lua hash table which is effectively random. That means you will need to use Lua string concatenation to ensure Snort doesn't try to use a variable before it is defined (even when it is defined ahead of use in the file):

```
-- this may fail:

MY_SERVERS = [[ 172.20.0.0/16 172.21.0.0/16 ]]

EXTERNAL_NET = '!$MY_SERVERS'

-- this will work:

MY_SERVERS = [[ 172.20.0.0/16 172.21.0.0/16 ]]

EXTERNAL_NET = '!' .. MY_SERVERS
```

• configure will use clang by default if it is installed. To compile with ginstead:

```
export CXX=q++
```

• If you build with hyperscan on OS X and see:

```
dyld: Library not loaded: @rpath/libhs.4.0.dylib
when you try to run src/snort, export DYLD_LIBRARY_PATH with the path to
libhs. You can also do:
install_name_tool -change @rpath/libhs.4.0.dylib \
    /path-to/libhs.4.0.dylib src/snort
```

### **2.8 Bugs**

### 2.8.1 Build

- With cmake, make install will rebuild the docs even though when already built.
- Enabling large pcap may erroneously affect the number of packets processed from pcaps.
- Enabling debug messages may erroneously affect the number of packets processed from pcaps.
- g++ 4.9.2 with -O3 reports:

```
src/service_inspectors/back_orifice/back_orifice.cc:231:25: warning:
iteration 930u invokes undefined behavior [-Waggressive-loop-optimizations]
```

• Building with clang and autotools on Linux will show the following warning many times. Please ignore.

```
clang: warning: argument unused during compilation: '-pthread'
```

• It is not possible to build dynamic plugins using apple clang due to its limited support for thread local variables.

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#### 2.8.2 Config

• Parsing issue with IP lists. can't parse rules with \$EXTERNAL\_NET defined as below because of the space between! and 10.

```
HOME_NET = [[ 10.0.17.0/24 10.0.14.0/24 10.247.0.0/16 10.246.0.0/16 ]] EXTERNAL NET = '!' .. HOME NET
```

- Multiple versions of luajit scripts are not handled correctly. The first loaded version will always be executed even though plugin manager saves the correct version.
- When using -c and -L together, the last on the command line wins (-c -L will dump; -L -c will analyze).
- Modules instantiated by command line only will not get default settings unless hard-coded. This notably applies to -A and -L
  options.
- --lua can only be used in addition to, not in place of, a -c config. Ideally, --lua could be used in lieu of -c.

#### 2.8.3 Rules

- metdata:service foo; metadata:service foo; won't cause a duplicate service warning as does metadata:service foo, service foo;
- ip\_proto doesn't work properly with reassembled packets so it can't be used to restrict the protocol of service rules.
- Inspector events generated while parsing TCP payload in non-IPS mode will indicate the wrong direction (ie they will be based on the ACK packet). (Same is true for Snort.)

#### 2.8.4 snort2lua

- uricontent: "foo"; content: "bar"; → http\_uri; content: "foo"; content: "bar"; (missing pkt\_data)
- stream\_tcp ports and protocols both go into a single binder when; this is incorrect as the when fields are logically anded together (ie must all be true). Should create 2 separate bindings.
- There is a bug in pps\_stream\_tcp.cc.. when stream\_tcp: is specified without any arguments, snort2lua doesn't convert it. Same for stream\_udp.
- Loses the ip list delimiters []; change to ()

```
in snort.conf: var HOME_NET [A,B,C]
in snort.lua: HOME_NET = [[A B C]]
```

- Won't convert packet rules (alert tcp etc.) to service rules (alert http etc.).
- alert\_fast and alert\_full: output configuration includes "file = foo.bar", but file is a bool and you cannot specify an output file name in the configuration.
- preprocessor ports option: ports <number> not supported.

### 2.8.5 Runtime

- -B <mask> feature does not work. It does ordinary IP address obfuscation instead of using the mask.
- · Obfuscation does not work for csv format.
- The hext DAQ will append a newline to text lines (starting with ").
- The hext DAQ does not support embedded quotes in text lines (use hex lines as a workaround).
- stream\_tcp alert squash mechanism incorrectly squashes alerts for different TCP packets.
- stream\_tcp gap count is broken.

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# 3 Basic Modules

Internal modules which are not plugins are termed "basic". These include configuration for core processing.

### 3.1 active

What: configure responses

Type: basic Configuration:

- int active.attempts = 0: number of TCP packets sent per response (with varying sequence numbers) { 0:20 }
- string active.device: use ip for network layer responses or eth0 etc for link layer
- string active.dst\_mac: use format 01:23:45:67:89:ab
- int active.max\_responses = 0: maximum number of responses { 0: }
- int active.min\_interval = 255: minimum number of seconds between responses { 1: }

## 3.2 alerts

What: configure alerts

Type: basic

Configuration:

- bool **alerts.alert\_with\_interface\_name** = false: include interface in alert info (fast, full, or syslog only)
- bool alerts.default\_rule\_state = true: enable or disable ips rules
- int alerts.detection\_filter\_memcap = 1048576: set available memory for filters { 0: }
- int alerts.event\_filter\_memcap = 1048576: set available memory for filters { 0: }
- string alerts.order = pass drop alert log: change the order of rule action application
- int alerts.rate\_filter\_memcap = 1048576: set available memory for filters { 0: }
- string alerts.reference\_net: set the CIDR for homenet (for use with -1 or -B, does NOT change \$HOME\_NET in IDS mode)
- bool **alerts.stateful** = false: don't alert w/o established session (note: rule action still taken)
- string alerts.tunnel\_verdicts: let DAQ handle non-allow verdicts for GTP/Teredol6in4/4in6 traffic

# 3.3 attribute table

What: configure hosts loading

Type: basic Configuration:

- int attribute\_table.max\_hosts = 1024: maximum number of hosts in attribute table { 32:207551 }
- int attribute\_table.max\_services\_per\_host = 8: maximum number of services per host entry in attribute table { 1:65535 }
- int attribute\_table.max\_metadata\_services = 8: maximum number of services in rule metadata { 1:256 }

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## 3.4 classifications

What: define rule categories with priority

Type: basic Configuration:

• string classifications[].name: name used with classtype rule option

• int **classifications[].priority** = 1: default priority for class { 0: }

• string classifications[].text: description of class

# 3.5 daq

What: configure packet acquisition interface

Type: basic Configuration:

• string daq.module\_dirs[].str: string parameter

• string daq.input\_spec: input specification

• string daq.module: DAQ module to use

• string daq.variables[].str: string parameter

• int daq.instances[].id: instance ID (required) { 0: }

• string daq.instances[].input\_spec: input specification

• string daq.instances[].variables[].str: string parameter

• int daq.snaplen: set snap length (same as -s) { 0:65535 }

• bool **daq.no\_promisc** = false: whether to put DAQ device into promiscuous mode

Peg counts:

• daq.pcaps: total files and interfaces processed

• daq.received: total packets received from DAQ

• daq.analyzed: total packets analyzed from DAQ

• daq.dropped: packets dropped

• daq.filtered: packets filtered out

• daq.outstanding: packets unprocessed

• daq.injected: active responses or replacements

• daq.allow: total allow verdicts

• daq.block: total block verdicts

• daq.replace: total replace verdicts

• daq.whitelist: total whitelist verdicts

• daq.blacklist: total blacklist verdicts

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- daq.ignore: total ignore verdicts
- daq.internal blacklist: packets blacklisted internally due to lack of DAQ support
- daq.internal whitelist: packets whitelisted internally due to lack of DAQ support
- daq.skipped: packets skipped at startup
- daq.idle: attempts to acquire from DAQ without available packets

#### 3.6 decode

What: general decoder rules

Type: basic

Rules:

- 116:450 (decode) BAD-TRAFFIC bad IP protocol
- 116:293 (decode) two or more IP (v4 and/or v6) encapsulation layers present
- 116:459 (decode) fragment with zero length
- 116:150 (decode) bad traffic loopback IP
- 116:151 (decode) bad traffic same src/dst IP
- 116:449 (decode) BAD-TRAFFIC unassigned/reserved IP protocol
- 116:472 (decode) too many protocols present

# 3.7 detection

What: configure general IPS rule processing parameters

Type: basic Configuration:

- int **detection.asn1** = 256: maximum decode nodes { 1: }
- bool **detection.pcre\_enable** = true: disable pcre pattern matching
- int **detection.pcre\_match\_limit** = 1500: limit pcre backtracking, -1 = max, 0 = off { -1:1000000 }
- int detection.pcre\_match\_limit\_recursion = 1500: limit pcre stack consumption, -1 = max, 0 = off { -1:10000 }

### Peg counts:

- detection.analyzed: packets sent to detection
- detection.hard evals: non-fast pattern rule evaluations
- detection.raw searches: fast pattern searches in raw packet data
- detection.cooked searches: fast pattern searches in cooked packet data
- detection.pkt searches: fast pattern searches in packet data
- detection.alt searches: alt fast pattern searches in packet data
- · detection.key searches: fast pattern searches in key buffer

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- detection.header searches: fast pattern searches in header buffer
- detection.body searches: fast pattern searches in body buffer
- detection.file searches: fast pattern searches in file buffer
- detection.alerts: alerts not including IP reputation
- detection.total alerts: alerts including IP reputation
- detection.logged: logged packets
- detection.passed: passed packets
- detection.match limit: fast pattern matches not processed
- detection.queue limit: events not queued because queue full
- detection.log limit: events queued but not logged
- detection.event limit: events filtered
- detection.alert limit: events previously triggered on same PDU

### 3.8 event filter

What: configure thresholding of events

Type: basic Configuration:

- int event\_filter[].gid = 1: rule generator ID { 0: }
- int event\_filter[].sid = 1: rule signature ID { 0: }
- enum event\_filter[].type: 1st count events | every count events | once after count events { limit | threshold | both }
- enum event\_filter[].track: filter only matching source or destination addresses { by\_src | by\_dst }
- int event\_filter[].count = 0: number of events in interval before tripping; -1 to disable { -1: }
- int event\_filter[].seconds = 0: count interval { 0: }
- string event\_filter[].ip: restrict filter to these addresses according to track

## 3.9 event\_queue

What: configure event queue parameters

Type: basic

Configuration:

- int **event\_queue.max\_queue** = 8: maximum events to queue { 1: }
- int **event\_queue.log** = 3: maximum events to log { 1: }
- enum **event\_queue.order\_events** = content\_length: criteria for ordering incoming events { prioritylcontent\_length }
- bool event\_queue.process\_all\_events = false: process just first action group or all action groups

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### 3.10 file id

What: configure file identification

Type: basic

Configuration:

- int file\_id.type\_depth = 1460: stop type ID at this point { 0: }
- int file\_id.signature\_depth = 10485760: stop signature at this point { 0: }
- int **file\_id.block\_timeout** = 86400: stop blocking after this many seconds { 0: }
- int file\_id.lookup\_timeout = 2: give up on lookup after this many seconds { 0: }
- bool file\_id.block\_timeout\_lookup = false: block if lookup times out
- int **file\_id.capture\_memcap** = 100: memcap for file capture in megabytes { 0: }
- int file\_id.capture\_max\_size = 1048576: stop file capture beyond this point { 0: }
- int file\_id.capture\_min\_size = 0: stop file capture if file size less than this { 0: }
- int file\_id.capture\_block\_size = 32768: file capture block size in bytes { 8: }
- int file\_id.max\_files\_cached = 65536: maximal number of files cached in memory { 8: }
- bool file\_id.enable\_type = false: enable type ID
- bool **file\_id.enable\_signature** = false: enable signature calculation
- bool file\_id.enable\_capture = false: enable file capture
- int file\_id.show\_data\_depth = 100: print this many octets { 0: }
- int file\_id.file\_rules[].rev = 0: rule revision { 0: }
- string file\_id.file\_rules[].msg: information about the file type
- string file\_id.file\_rules[].type: file type name
- int **file\_id.file\_rules**[].**id** = 0: file type id { 0: }
- string file\_id.file\_rules[].category: file type category
- string file\_id.file\_rules[].version: file type version
- string file\_id.file\_rules[].magic[].content: file magic content
- int file\_id.file\_rules[].magic[].offset = 0: file magic offset { 0: }
- int file\_id.file\_policy[].when.file\_type\_id = 0: unique ID for file type in file magic rule { 0: }
- string file\_id.file\_policy[].when.sha256: SHA 256
- enum file\_id.file\_policy[].use.verdict = unknown: what to do with matching traffic { unknown | log | stop | block | reset }
- bool file\_id.file\_policy[].use.enable\_file\_type = false: true/false → enable/disable file type identification
- bool **file\_id.file\_policy[].use.enable\_file\_signature** = false: true/false → enable/disable file signature
- bool file\_id.file\_policy[].use.enable\_file\_capture = false: true/false → enable/disable file capture
- bool file\_id.trace\_type = false: enable runtime dump of type info
- bool **file\_id.trace\_signature** = false: enable runtime dump of signature info
- bool file\_id.trace\_stream = false: enable runtime dump of file data

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# 3.11 high\_availability

What: implement flow tracking high availability

Type: basic Configuration:

• bool **high\_availability.enable** = false: enable high availability

- bool high\_availability.daq\_channel = false: enable use of daq data plane channel
- bit\_list **high\_availability.ports**: side channel message port list { 65535 }
- real **high\_availability.min\_age** = 1.0: minimum session life before HA updates { 0.0:100.0 }
- real **high\_availability.min\_sync** = 1.0: minimum interval between HA updates { 0.0:100.0 }

Peg counts:

# 3.12 host\_cache

What: configure hosts

Type: basic

Configuration:

• int host\_cache[].size: size of host cache

Peg counts:

- host\_cache.lru cache adds: lru cache added new entry
- host\_cache.lru cache replaces: lru cache replaced existing entry
- host\_cache.lru cache prunes: lru cache pruned entry to make space for new entry
- host\_cache.lru cache find hits: lru cache found entry in cache
- host\_cache.lru cache find misses: lru cache did not find entry in cache
- host\_cache.lru cache removes: lru cache found entry and removed it
- host cache.lru cache clears: lru cache clear API calls

### 3.13 host tracker

What: configure hosts

Type: basic Configuration:

- addr host\_tracker[].ip = 0.0.0.0/32: hosts address / cidr
- enum host\_tracker[].frag\_policy: defragmentation policy { first | linux | bsd | bsd\_right | last | windows | solaris }
- enum **host\_tracker**[].tcp\_policy: tcp reassembly policy { first | last | linux | old\_linux | bsd | macos | solaris | irix | hpux11 | hpux10 | windows | win\_2003 | vista | proxy }
- string host\_tracker[].services[].name: service identifier

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- enum host\_tracker[].services[].proto = tcp: ip protocol { tcp | udp }
- port host\_tracker[].services[].port: port number

Peg counts:

• host\_tracker.service adds: host service adds

• host\_tracker.service finds: host service finds

• host\_tracker.service removes: host service removes

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What: configure hosts

Type: basic Configuration:

• addr hosts[].ip = 0.0.0.0/32: hosts address / cidr

- enum hosts[].frag\_policy: defragmentation policy { first | linux | bsd | bsd\_right | last | windows | solaris }
- enum **hosts[].tcp\_policy**: tcp reassembly policy { first | last | linux | old\_linux | bsd | macos | solaris | irix | hpux11 | hpux10 | windows | win\_2003 | vista | proxy }
- string hosts[].services[].name: service identifier
- enum **hosts[].services[].proto** = tcp: ip protocol { tcp | udp }
- port hosts[].services[].port: port number

# 3.15 ips

What: configure IPS rule processing

Type: basic Configuration:

- bool **ips.enable\_builtin\_rules** = false: enable events from builtin rules w/o stubs
- int **ips.id** = 0: correlate unified2 events with configuration { 0:65535 }
- string ips.include: legacy snort rules and includes
- enum **ips.mode**: set policy mode { tap | inline | inline-test }
- string **ips.rules**: snort rules and includes

# 3.16 latency

What: packet and rule latency monitoring and control

Type: basic Configuration:

- int latency.packet.max\_time = 500: set timeout for packet latency thresholding (usec) { 0: }
- bool **latency.packet.fastpath** = false: fastpath expensive packets (max\_time exceeded)

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- enum latency.packet.action = none: event action if packet times out and is fastpathed { none | alert | log | alert | and | log }
- int **latency.rule.max\_time** = 500: set timeout for rule evaluation (usec) { 0: }
- bool **latency.rule.suspend** = false: temporarily suspend expensive rules
- int latency.rule.suspend\_threshold = 5: set threshold for number of timeouts before suspending a rule { 1: }
- int **latency.rule.max\_suspend\_time** = 30000: set max time for suspending a rule (ms, 0 means permanently disable rule) { 0: }
- enum **latency.rule.action** = none: event action for rule latency enable and suspend events { none | alert | log | alert\_and\_log }

#### Rules:

- 134:1 (latency) rule tree suspended due to latency
- 134:2 (latency) rule tree re-enabled after suspend timeout
- 134:3 (latency) packet fastpathed due to latency

#### Peg counts:

- latency.total packets: total packets monitored
- latency.total usecs: total usecs elapsed
- latency.max usecs: maximum usecs elapsed
- latency.packet timeouts: packets that timed out
- latency.total rule evals: total rule evals monitored
- latency.rule eval timeouts: rule evals that timed out
- latency.rule tree enables: rule tree re-enables

# 3.17 memory

What: memory management configuration

Type: basic

Configuration:

- int **memory.cap** = 0: set the per-packet-thread cap on memory (bytes, 0 to disable) { 0: }
- bool **memory.soft** = false: always succeed in allocating memory, even if above the cap
- int **memory.threshold** = 0: set the per-packet-thread threshold for preemptive cleanup actions (percent, 0 to disable) { 0: }

### 3.18 network

What: configure basic network parameters

Type: basic

Configuration:

• multi **network.checksum\_drop** = none: drop if checksum is bad { all | ip | noip | tcp | notcp | udp | noudp | icmp | noicmp | none }

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- multi **network.checksum eval** = none: checksums to verify { all | ip | noip | tcp | notcp | udp | noudp | icmp | noicmp | none }
- bool **network.decode\_drops** = false: enable dropping of packets by the decoder
- int **network.id** = 0: correlate unified2 events with configuration { 0:65535 }
- int **network.min\_ttl** = 1: alert / normalize packets with lower ttl / hop limit (you must enable rules and / or normalization also) { 1:255 }
- int **network.new\_ttl** = 1: use this value for responses and when normalizing { 1:255 }
- int **network.layers** = 40: The maximum number of protocols that Snort can correctly decode { 3:255 }
- int **network.max\_ip6\_extensions** = 0: The number of IP6 options Snort will process for a given IPv6 layer. If this limit is hit, rule 116:456 may fire. 0 = unlimited { 0:255 }
- int **network.max\_ip\_layers** = 0: The maximum number of IP layers Snort will process for a given packet If this limit is hit, rule 116:293 may fire. 0 = unlimited { 0:255 }

# 3.19 output

What: configure general output parameters

Type: basic Configuration:

- bool **output.dump\_chars\_only** = false: turns on character dumps (same as -C)
- bool **output.dump\_payload** = false: dumps application layer (same as -d)
- bool **output.dump\_payload\_verbose** = false: dumps raw packet starting at link layer (same as -X)
- bool output.log\_ipv6\_extra\_data = false: log IPv6 source and destination addresses as unified2 extra data records
- int output.event\_trace.max\_data = 0: maximum amount of packet data to capture { 0:65535 }
- bool **output.quiet** = false: suppress non-fatal information (still show alerts, same as -q)
- string **output.logdir** = .: where to put log files (same as -l)
- bool **output.obfuscate** = false: obfuscate the logged IP addresses (same as -O)
- bool output.obfuscate\_pii = false: Mask all but the last 4 characters of credit card and social security numbers
- bool **output.show\_year** = false: include year in timestamp in the alert and log files (same as -y)
- int output.tagged\_packet\_limit = 256: maximum number of packets tagged for non-packet metrics { 0: }
- bool **output.verbose** = false: be verbose (same as -v)

### 3.20 packets

What: configure basic packet handling

Type: basic Configuration:

- bool packets.address\_space\_agnostic = false: determines whether DAQ address space info is used to track fragments and connections
- string **packets.bpf\_file**: file with BPF to select traffic for Snort
- int packets.limit = 0: maximum number of packets to process before stopping (0 is unlimited) { 0: }
- int **packets.skip** = 0: number of packets to skip before before processing { 0: }
- bool packets.vlan\_agnostic = false: determines whether VLAN info is used to track fragments and connections

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### 3.21 process

What: configure basic process setup

Type: basic

Configuration:

- string **process.chroot**: set chroot directory (same as -t)
- string process.threads[].cpuset: pin the associated thread to this cpuset
- int **process.threads**[].thread = 0: set cpu affinity for the <cur\_thread\_num> thread that runs { 0: }
- bool **process.daemon** = false: fork as a daemon (same as -D)
- bool **process.dirty\_pig** = false: shutdown without internal cleanup
- string **process.set\_gid**: set group ID (same as -g)
- string **process.set\_uid**: set user ID (same as -u)
- string **process.umask**: set process umask (same as -m)
- bool **process.utc** = false: use UTC instead of local time for timestamps

# 3.22 profiler

What: configure profiling of rules and/or modules

Type: basic

Configuration:

- bool **profiler.modules.show** = true: show module time profile stats
- int **profiler.modules.count** = 0: limit results to count items per level  $(0 = \text{no limit}) \{ 0: \}$
- enum **profiler.modules.sort** = total\_time: sort by given field { none | checks | avg\_check | total\_time }
- int **profiler.modules.max\_depth** = -1: limit depth to max\_depth (-1 = no limit) { -1: }
- bool **profiler.memory.show** = true: show module memory profile stats
- int **profiler.memory.count** = 0: limit results to count items per level  $(0 = \text{no limit}) \{ 0: \}$
- enum **profiler.memory.sort** = total\_used: sort by given field { none | allocations | total\_used | avg\_allocation }
- int **profiler.memory.max\_depth** = -1: limit depth to max\_depth (-1 = no limit) { -1: }
- bool **profiler.rules.show** = true: show rule time profile stats
- int **profiler.rules.count** = 0: print results to given level (0 = all) { 0: }
- enum **profiler.rules.sort** = total\_time: sort by given field { none | checks | avg\_check | total\_time | matches | no\_matches | avg\_match | avg\_no\_match }

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## 3.23 rate\_filter

What: configure rate filters (which change rule actions)

Type: basic

Configuration:

- int rate\_filter[].gid = 1: rule generator ID { 0: }
- int rate\_filter[].sid = 1: rule signature ID { 0: }
- enum rate\_filter[].track = by\_src: filter only matching source or destination addresses { by\_src | by\_dst | by\_rule }
- int rate\_filter[].count = 1: number of events in interval before tripping { 0: }
- int rate\_filter[].seconds = 1: count interval { 0: }
- enum rate\_filter[].new\_action = alert: take this action on future hits until timeout { log | pass | alert | drop | block | reset }
- int rate\_filter[].timeout = 1: count interval { 0: }
- string rate\_filter[].apply\_to: restrict filter to these addresses according to track

### 3.24 references

What: define reference systems used in rules

Type: basic

Configuration:

- string references[].name: name used with reference rule option
- string references[].url: where this reference is defined

# 3.25 rule\_state

What: enable/disable specific IPS rules

Type: basic

Configuration:

- int rule\_state.gid = 0: rule generator ID { 0: }
- int rule\_state.sid = 0: rule signature ID { 0: }
- bool rule\_state.enable = true: enable or disable rule in all policies

# 3.26 search\_engine

What: configure fast pattern matcher

Type: basic

Configuration:

- int search\_engine.bleedover\_port\_limit = 1024: maximum ports in rule before demotion to any-any port group { 1: }
- bool **search\_engine.bleedover\_warnings\_enabled** = false: print warning if a rule is demoted to any-any port group

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- bool **search\_engine.enable\_single\_rule\_group** = false: put all rules into one group
- bool **search\_engine.debug** = false: print verbose fast pattern info
- bool search\_engine.debug\_print\_nocontent\_rule\_tests = false: print rule group info during packet evaluation
- bool search\_engine.debug\_print\_rule\_group\_build\_details = false: print rule group info during compilation
- bool **search\_engine.debug\_print\_rule\_groups\_uncompiled** = false: prints uncompiled rule group information
- bool **search\_engine.debug\_print\_rule\_groups\_compiled** = false: prints compiled rule group information
- int search\_engine.max\_pattern\_len = 0: truncate patterns when compiling into state machine (0 means no maximum) { 0: }
- int search\_engine.max\_queue\_events = 5: maximum number of matching fast pattern states to queue per packet
- bool **search\_engine.inspect\_stream\_inserts** = false: inspect reassembled payload disabling is good for performance, bad for detection
- dynamic **search\_engine.search\_method** = ac\_bnfa: set fast pattern algorithm choose available search engine { ac\_banded | ac\_bnfa | ac\_full | ac\_sparse | ac\_sparse\_bands | ac\_std | hyperscan }
- bool search\_engine.search\_optimize = true: tweak state machine construction for better performance
- bool **search\_engine.show\_fast\_patterns** = false: print fast pattern info for each rule
- bool search\_engine.split\_any\_any = false: evaluate any-any rules separately to save memory

### Peg counts:

- search engine.max queued: maximum fast pattern matches queued for further evaluation
- search\_engine.total flushed: fast pattern matches discarded due to overflow
- search\_engine.total inserts: total fast pattern hits
- search\_engine.total unique: total unique fast pattern hits
- search\_engine.non-qualified events: total non-qualified events
- search\_engine.qualified events: total qualified events

# 3.27 side\_channel

What: implement the side-channel asynchronous messaging subsystem

Type: basic

Configuration:

- bit\_list **side\_channel.ports**: side channel message port list { 65535 }
- string side\_channel.connectors[].connector: connector handle
- string side\_channel.connector: connector handle

Peg counts:

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### 3.28 snort

What: command line configuration and shell commands

Type: basic

Configuration:

- string **snort.-?**: <option prefix> output matching command line option quick help (same as --help-options) { (optional) }
- string **snort.-A**: <mode> set alert mode: none, cmg, or alert\_\*
- addr snort.-B = 255.255.255.255.32: <mask> obfuscated IP addresses in alerts and packet dumps using CIDR mask
- implied **snort.-C**: print out payloads with character data only (no hex)
- string **snort.-c**: <conf> use this configuration
- implied snort.-D: run Snort in background (daemon) mode
- implied **snort.-d**: dump the Application Layer
- implied **snort.-e**: display the second layer header info
- implied snort.-f: turn off fflush() calls after binary log writes
- int **snort.-G**: <0xid> (same as --logid) { 0:65535 }
- string snort.-g: <gname> run snort gid as <gname> group (or gid) after initialization
- implied snort.-H: make hash tables deterministic
- string **snort.-i**: <iface>... list of interfaces
- port **snort.-j**: <port> to listen for telnet connections
- enum **snort.-k** = all: <mode> checksum mode; default is all { all|noip|notcp|noudp|noicmp|none }
- string **snort.-L**: <mode> logging mode (none, dump, pcap, or log\_\*)
- string snort.-l: <logdir> log to this directory instead of current directory
- implied **snort.-M**: log messages to syslog (not alerts)
- int **snort.-m**: <umask> set umask = <umask> { 0: }
- int **snort.-n**: <count> stop after count packets { 0: }
- implied **snort.-O**: obfuscate the logged IP addresses
- implied **snort.-Q**: enable inline mode operation
- implied **snort.-q**: quiet mode Don't show banner and status report
- string **snort.-R**: <rules> include this rules file in the default policy
- string **snort.-r**: <pcap>... (same as --pcap-list)
- string **snort.-S**: <x=v> set config variable x equal to value v
- int **snort.-s** = 1514: <snap> (same as --snaplen); default is 1514 { 68:65535 }
- implied **snort.-T**: test and report on the current Snort configuration
- string **snort.-t**: <dir> chroots process to <dir> after initialization
- implied **snort.-U**: use UTC for timestamps

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- string **snort.-u**: <uname> run snort as <uname> or <uid> after initialization
- implied **snort.-V**: (same as --version)
- implied **snort.-v**: be verbose
- implied snort.-W: lists available interfaces
- implied snort.-X: dump the raw packet data starting at the link layer
- implied **snort.-x**: same as --pedantic
- implied **snort.-y**: include year in timestamp in the alert and log files
- int **snort.-z** = 1: <count> maximum number of packet threads (same as --max-packet-threads); 0 gets the number of CPU cores reported by the system; default is 1 { 0: }
- implied snort.--alert-before-pass: process alert, drop, sdrop, or reject before pass; default is pass before alert, drop,...
- string **snort.--bpf**: <filter options> are standard BPF options, as seen in TCPDump
- string **snort.--c2x**: output hex for given char (see also --x2c)
- implied snort.--create-pidfile: create PID file, even when not in Daemon mode
- string **snort.--daq**: <type> select packet acquisition module (default is pcap)
- string snort.--daq-dir: <dir> tell snort where to find desired DAQ
- implied snort.--daq-list: list packet acquisition modules available in optional dir, default is static modules only
- string **snort.--daq-var**: <name=value> specify extra DAQ configuration variable
- implied snort.--dirty-pig: don't flush packets on shutdown
- implied **snort.--dump-builtin-rules**: [<module prefix>] output stub rules for selected modules
- implied **snort.--dump-dynamic-rules**: output stub rules for all loaded rules libraries
- string **snort.--dump-defaults**: [<module prefix>] output module defaults in Lua format { (optional) }
- implied snort.--dump-version: output the version, the whole version, and only the version
- implied snort.--enable-inline-test: enable Inline-Test Mode Operation
- implied **snort.--help**: list command line options
- string **snort.--help-commands**: [<module prefix>] output matching commands { (optional) }
- string **snort.--help-config**: [<module prefix>] output matching config options { (optional) }
- string **snort.--help-counts**: [<module prefix>] output matching peg counts { (optional) }
- string snort.--help-module: <module> output description of given module
- implied **snort.--help-modules**: list all available modules with brief help
- string snort.--help-options: <option prefix> output matching command line option quick help (same as -?) { (optional) }
- implied snort.--help-plugins: list all available plugins with brief help
- implied snort.--help-signals: dump available control signals
- implied snort.--id-subdir: create/use instance subdirectories in logdir instead of instance filename prefix
- implied **snort.--id-zero**: use id prefix / subdirectory even with one packet thread
- implied **snort.--list-buffers**: output available inspection buffers

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- string **snort.--list-builtin**: <module prefix> output matching builtin rules { (optional) }
- string **snort.--list-gids**: [<module prefix>] output matching generators { (optional) }
- string **snort.--list-modules**: [<module type>] list all known modules of given type { (optional) }
- implied snort.--list-plugins: list all known plugins
- string **snort.--lua**: <chunk> extend/override conf with chunk; may be repeated
- int snort.--logid: <0xid> log Identifier to uniquely id events for multiple snorts (same as -G) { 0:65535 }
- implied **snort.--markup**: output help in asciidoc compatible format
- int snort.-max-packet-threads = 1: <count> configure maximum number of packet threads (same as -z) { 0: }
- implied snort.--nostamps: don't include timestamps in log file names
- implied snort.--nolock-pidfile: do not try to lock Snort PID file
- implied snort.--pause: wait for resume/quit command before processing packets/terminating
- string snort.--pcap-file: <file> file that contains a list of pcaps to read read mode is implied
- string snort.--pcap-list: string snort.--pcap-list: space separated list of pcaps to read read mode is implied
- string snort.--pcap-dir: <dir> a directory to recurse to look for pcaps read mode is implied
- string snort.--pcap-filter: <filter> filter to apply when getting pcaps from file or directory
- int snort.--pcap-loop: <count> read all pcaps <count> times; 0 will read until Snort is terminated { -1: }
- implied snort.--pcap-no-filter: reset to use no filter when getting pcaps from file or directory
- implied **snort.--pcap-reload**: if reading multiple pcaps, reload snort config between pcaps
- implied snort.--pcap-show: print a line saying what pcap is currently being read
- implied snort.--pedantic: warnings are fatal
- string **snort.--plugin-path**: <path> where to find plugins
- implied snort.--process-all-events: process all action groups
- string **snort.--rule**: <rules> to be added to configuration; may be repeated
- implied snort.--rule-to-hex: output so rule header to stdout for text rule on stdin
- implied snort.--rule-to-text: output plain so rule header to stdout for text rule on stdin
- string **snort.--run-prefix**: <pfx> prepend this to each output file
- string snort.--script-path: <path> to a luajit script or directory containing luajit scripts
- implied **snort.--shell**: enable the interactive command line
- implied snort.--piglet: enable piglet test harness mode
- implied **snort.--show-plugins**: list module and plugin versions
- int **snort.--skip**: <n> skip 1st n packets { 0: }
- int **snort.--snaplen** = 1514: <snap> set snaplen of packet (same as -s) { 68:65535 }
- implied snort.--stdin-rules: read rules from stdin until EOF or a line starting with END is read
- implied snort.--treat-drop-as-alert: converts drop, sdrop, and reject rules into alert rules during startup
- implied snort.--treat-drop-as-ignore: use drop, sdrop, and reject rules to ignore session traffic when not inline

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- string **snort.--catch-test**: comma separated list of cat unit test tags or *all*
- implied **snort.--version**: show version number (same as -V)
- implied snort.--warn-all: enable all warnings
- implied **snort.--warn-conf**: warn about configuration issues
- implied snort.--warn-daq: warn about DAQ issues, usually related to mode
- implied snort.--warn-flowbits: warn about flowbits that are checked but not set and vice-versa
- implied **snort.--warn-hosts**: warn about host table issues
- implied snort.--warn-plugins: warn about issues that prevent plugins from loading
- implied snort.--warn-rules: warn about duplicate rules and rule parsing issues
- implied **snort.--warn-scripts**: warn about issues discovered while processing Lua scripts
- implied snort.--warn-symbols: warn about unknown symbols in your Lua config
- implied **snort.--warn-vars**: warn about variable definition and usage issues
- int **snort.--x2c**: output ASCII char for given hex (see also --c2x)
- string **snort.--x2s**: output ASCII string for given byte code (see also --x2c)

#### Commands:

- **snort.show\_plugins**(): show available plugins
- **snort.dump\_stats**(): show summary statistics
- snort.rotate stats(): roll perfmonitor log files
- snort.reload\_config(filename): load new configuration
- snort.reload hosts(filename): load a new hosts table
- snort.pause(): suspend packet processing
- snort.resume(): continue packet processing
- snort.detach(): exit shell w/o shutdown
- **snort.quit**(): shutdown and dump-stats
- **snort.help**(): this output

- snort.local commands: total local commands processed
- snort.remote commands: total remote commands processed
- snort.signals: total signals processed
- snort.conf reloads: number of times configuration was reloaded
- snort.attribute table reloads: number of times hosts table was reloaded
- snort.attribute table hosts: total number of hosts in table

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# 3.29 suppress

What: configure event suppressions

Type: basic Configuration:

- int **suppress[].gid** = 0: rule generator ID { 0: }
- int suppress[].sid = 0: rule signature ID { 0: }
- enum **suppress**[].track: suppress only matching source or destination addresses { by\_src | by\_dst }
- string suppress[].ip: restrict suppression to these addresses according to track

# 4 Codec Modules

Codec is short for coder / decoder. These modules are used for basic protocol decoding, anomaly detection, and construction of active responses.

### 4.1 arp

What: support for address resolution protocol

Type: codec

Rules:

• 116:109 (arp) truncated ARP

# 4.2 auth

What: support for IP authentication header

Type: codec

Rules:

- 116:465 (auth) truncated authentication header
- 116:466 (auth) bad authentication header length

#### 4.3 ciscometadata

What: support for cisco metadata

Type: codec

- 116:468 (ciscometadata) truncated Cisco Metadata header
- 116:469 (ciscometadata) invalid Cisco Metadata option length
- 116:470 (ciscometadata) invalid Cisco Metadata option type
- 116:471 (ciscometadata) invalid Cisco Metadata SGT

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# 4.4 erspan2

What: support for encapsulated remote switched port analyzer - type 2

Type: codec

Rules:

• 116:462 (erspan2) ERSpan header version mismatch

• 116:463 (erspan2) captured < ERSpan type2 header length

# 4.5 erspan3

What: support for encapsulated remote switched port analyzer - type 3

Type: codec

Rules:

• 116:464 (erspan3) captured < ERSpan type3 header length

# 4.6 esp

What: support for encapsulating security payload

Type: codec

Configuration:

• bool **esp.decode\_esp** = false: enable for inspection of esp traffic that has authentication but not encryption

Rules:

• 116:294 (esp) truncated encapsulated security payload header

## 4.7 eth

What: support for ethernet protocol (DLT 1) (DLT 51)

Type: codec

Rules:

• 116:424 (eth) truncated eth header

# 4.8 fabricpath

What: support for fabricpath

Type: codec

Rules:

• 116:467 (fabricpath) truncated FabricPath header

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## 4.9 gre

What: support for generic routing encapsulation

Type: codec

Rules:

- 116:160 (gre) GRE header length > payload length
- 116:161 (gre) multiple encapsulations in packet
- 116:162 (gre) invalid GRE version
- 116:163 (gre) invalid GRE header
- 116:164 (gre) invalid GRE v.1 PPTP header
- 116:165 (gre) GRE trans header length > payload length

### 4.10 gtp

What: support for general-packet-radio-service tunnelling protocol

Type: codec

Rules:

- 116:297 (gtp) two or more GTP encapsulation layers present
- 116:298 (gtp) GTP header length is invalid

# 4.11 icmp4

What: support for Internet control message protocol v4

Type: codec

- 116:105 (icmp4) ICMP header truncated
- 116:106 (icmp4) ICMP timestamp header truncated
- 116:107 (icmp4) ICMP address header truncated
- 116:250 (icmp4) ICMP original IP header truncated
- 116:251 (icmp4) ICMP version and original IP header versions differ
- 116:252 (icmp4) ICMP original datagram length < original IP header length
- 116:253 (icmp4) ICMP original IP payload < 64 bits
- 116:254 (icmp4) ICMP original IP payload > 576 bytes
- 116:255 (icmp4) ICMP original IP fragmented and offset not 0
- 116:415 (icmp4) ICMP4 packet to multicast dest address
- 116:416 (icmp4) ICMP4 packet to broadcast dest address
- 116:418 (icmp4) ICMP4 type other

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- 116:434 (icmp4) ICMP ping NMAP
- 116:435 (icmp4) ICMP icmpenum v1.1.1
- 116:436 (icmp4) ICMP redirect host
- 116:437 (icmp4) ICMP redirect net
- 116:438 (icmp4) ICMP traceroute ipopts
- 116:439 (icmp4) ICMP source quench
- 116:440 (icmp4) broadscan smurf scanner
- 116:441 (icmp4) ICMP destination unreachable communication administratively prohibited
- 116:442 (icmp4) ICMP destination unreachable communication with destination host is administratively prohibited
- 116:443 (icmp4) ICMP destination unreachable communication with destination network is administratively prohibited
- 116:451 (icmp4) ICMP path MTU denial of service attempt
- 116:452 (icmp4) BAD-TRAFFIC Linux ICMP header DOS attempt
- 116:426 (icmp4) truncated ICMP4 header

Peg counts:

• icmp4.bad checksum: non-zero icmp checksums

### 4.12 icmp6

What: support for Internet control message protocol v6

Type: codec

Rules:

- 116:427 (icmp6) truncated ICMP6 header
- 116:431 (icmp6) ICMP6 type not decoded
- 116:432 (icmp6) ICMP6 packet to multicast address
- 116:285 (icmp6) ICMPv6 packet of type 2 (message too big) with MTU field < 1280
- 116:286 (icmp6) ICMPv6 packet of type 1 (destination unreachable) with non-RFC 2463 code
- 116:287 (icmp6) ICMPv6 router solicitation packet with a code not equal to 0
- 116:288 (icmp6) ICMPv6 router advertisement packet with a code not equal to 0
- 116:289 (icmp6) ICMPv6 router solicitation packet with the reserved field not equal to 0
- 116:290 (icmp6) ICMPv6 router advertisement packet with the reachable time field set > 1 hour
- 116:457 (icmp6) ICMPv6 packet of type 1 (destination unreachable) with non-RFC 4443 code
- 116:460 (icmp6) ICMPv6 node info query/response packet with a code greater than 2

- icmp6.bad checksum (ip4): nonzero ipcm4 checksums
- icmp6.bad checksum (ip6): nonzero ipcm6 checksums

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# 4.13 igmp

What: support for Internet group management protocol

Type: codec

Rules:

• 116:455 (igmp) DOS IGMP IP options validation attempt

# 4.14 ipv4

What: support for Internet protocol v4

Type: codec

Rules:

- 116:1 (ipv4) Not IPv4 datagram
- 116:2 (ipv4) hlen < minimum
- **116:3** (ipv4) IP dgm len < IP Hdr len
- 116:4 (ipv4) Ipv4 Options found with bad lengths
- 116:5 (ipv4) Truncated Ipv4 Options
- 116:6 (ipv4) IP dgm len > captured len
- 116:404 (ipv4) IPV4 packet with zero TTL
- 116:405 (ipv4) IPV4 packet with bad frag bits (both MF and DF set)
- 116:407 (ipv4) IPV4 packet frag offset + length exceed maximum
- 116:408 (ipv4) IPV4 packet from current net source address
- 116:409 (ipv4) IPV4 packet to current net dest address
- 116:410 (ipv4) IPV4 packet from multicast source address
- 116:411 (ipv4) IPV4 packet from reserved source address
- 116:412 (ipv4) IPV4 packet to reserved dest address
- 116:413 (ipv4) IPV4 packet from broadcast source address
- 116:414 (ipv4) IPV4 packet to broadcast dest address
- 116:428 (ipv4) IPV4 packet below TTL limit
- 116:430 (ipv4) IPV4 packet both DF and offset set
- 116:448 (ipv4) BAD-TRAFFIC IP reserved bit set
- 116:444 (ipv4) MISC IP option set
- 116:425 (ipv4) truncated IP4 header

Peg counts:

• ipv4.bad checksum: nonzero ip checksums

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### 4.15 ipv6

What: support for Internet protocol v6

Type: codec

Rules:

- 116:270 (ipv6) IPv6 packet below TTL limit
- 116:271 (ipv6) IPv6 header claims to not be IPv6
- 116:272 (ipv6) IPV6 truncated extension header
- 116:273 (ipv6) IPV6 truncated header
- 116:274 (ipv6) IP dgm len < IP Hdr len
- 116:275 (ipv6) IP dgm len > captured len
- 116:276 (ipv6) IPv6 packet with destination address ::0
- 116:277 (ipv6) IPv6 packet with multicast source address
- 116:278 (ipv6) IPv6 packet with reserved multicast destination address
- 116:279 (ipv6) IPv6 header includes an undefined option type
- 116:280 (ipv6) IPv6 address includes an unassigned multicast scope value
- 116:281 (ipv6) IPv6 header includes an invalid value for the next header field
- 116:282 (ipv6) IPv6 header includes a routing extension header followed by a hop-by-hop header
- 116:283 (ipv6) IPv6 header includes two routing extension headers
- 116:292 (ipv6) IPv6 header has destination options followed by a routing header
- 116:291 (ipv6) IPV6 tunneled over IPv4, IPv6 header truncated, possible Linux kernel attack
- 116:295 (ipv6) IPv6 header includes an option which is too big for the containing header
- 116:296 (ipv6) IPv6 packet includes out-of-order extension headers
- 116:429 (ipv6) IPV6 packet has zero hop limit
- 116:453 (ipv6) BAD-TRAFFIC ISATAP-addressed IPv6 traffic spoofing attempt
- 116:458 (ipv6) bogus fragmentation packet, possible BSD attack
- 116:461 (ipv6) IPV6 routing type 0 extension header
- 116:456 (ipv6) too many IP6 extension headers

# 4.16 mpls

What: support for multiprotocol label switching

Type: codec

Configuration:

- bool **mpls.enable\_mpls\_multicast** = false: enables support for MPLS multicast
- bool **mpls.enable\_mpls\_overlapping\_ip** = false: enable if private network addresses overlap and must be differentiated by MPLS label(s)

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- int mpls.max\_mpls\_stack\_depth = -1: set MPLS stack depth { -1: }
- enum **mpls.mpls\_payload\_type** = ip4: set encapsulated payload type { eth | ip4 | ip6 }

#### Rules:

- 116:170 (mpls) bad MPLS frame
- 116:171 (mpls) MPLS label 0 appears in non-bottom header
- 116:172 (mpls) MPLS label 1 appears in bottom header
- 116:173 (mpls) MPLS label 2 appears in non-bottom header
- 116:174 (mpls) MPLS label 3 appears in header
- 116:175 (mpls) MPLS label 4, 5,.. or 15 appears in header
- 116:176 (mpls) too many MPLS headers

### Peg counts:

- mpls.total packets: total mpls labeled packets processed
- mpls.total bytes: total mpls labeled bytes processed

# 4.17 pgm

What: support for pragmatic general multicast

Type: codec

Rules:

• 116:454 (pgm) BAD-TRAFFIC PGM nak list overflow attempt

# 4.18 pppoe

What: support for point-to-point protocol over ethernet

Type: codec

Rules:

• 116:120 (pppoe) bad PPPOE frame detected

# 4.19 tcp

What: support for transmission control protocol

Type: codec

- 116:45 (tcp) TCP packet len is smaller than 20 bytes
- 116:46 (tcp) TCP data offset is less than 5
- 116:47 (tcp) TCP header length exceeds packet length
- 116:54 (tcp) TCP options found with bad lengths

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- 116:55 (tcp) truncated TCP options
- 116:56 (tcp) T/TCP detected
- 116:57 (tcp) obsolete TCP options found
- 116:58 (tcp) experimental TCP options found
- 116:59 (tcp) TCP window scale option found with length > 14
- 116:400 (tcp) XMAS attack detected
- 116:401 (tcp) Nmap XMAS attack detected
- 116:419 (tcp) TCP urgent pointer exceeds payload length or no payload
- 116:420 (tcp) TCP SYN with FIN
- 116:421 (tcp) TCP SYN with RST
- 116:422 (tcp) TCP PDU missing ack for established session
- 116:423 (tcp) TCP has no SYN, ACK, or RST
- 116:433 (tcp) DDOS shaft SYN flood
- 116:446 (tcp) BAD-TRAFFIC TCP port 0 traffic
- 116:402 (tcp) DOS NAPTHA vulnerability detected
- 116:403 (tcp) bad traffic SYN to multicast address

#### Peg counts:

- tcp.bad checksum (ip4): nonzero tcp over ip checksums
- tcp.bad checksum (ip6): nonzero tcp over ipv6 checksums

### 4.20 udp

What: support for user datagram protocol

Type: codec

Configuration:

- bool **udp.deep\_teredo\_inspection** = false: look for Teredo on all UDP ports (default is only 3544)
- bool **udp.enable\_gtp** = false: decode GTP encapsulations
- bit\_list **udp.gtp\_ports** = 2152 3386: set GTP ports { 65535 }

- 116:95 (udp) truncated UDP header
- 116:96 (udp) invalid UDP header, length field < 8
- 116:97 (udp) short UDP packet, length field > payload length
- 116:98 (udp) long UDP packet, length field < payload length
- 116:406 (udp) invalid IPv6 UDP packet, checksum zero
- 116:445 (udp) misc large UDP Packet

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• 116:447 (udp) BAD-TRAFFIC UDP port 0 traffic

Peg counts:

- udp.bad checksum (ip4): nonzero udp over ipv4 checksums
- udp.bad checksum (ip6): nonzero udp over ipv6 checksums

### 4.21 vlan

What: support for local area network

Type: codec

Rules:

- 116:130 (vlan) bad VLAN frame
- 116:131 (vlan) bad LLC header
- 116:132 (vlan) bad extra LLC info

# 5 Inspector Modules

These modules perform a variety of functions, including analysis of protocols beyond basic decoding.

### 5.1 appid

What: application and service identification

Type: inspector Configuration:

- string appid.conf: RNA configuration file
- int appid.memcap = 268435456: time period for collecting and logging AppId statistics { 1048576:3221225472 }
- bool appid.log\_stats = false: enable logging of AppId statistics
- int appid.app\_stats\_period = 300: time period for collecting and logging AppId statistics { 0: }
- int appid.app\_stats\_rollover\_size = 20971520: max file size for AppId stats before rolling over the log file { 0: }
- int appid.app\_stats\_rollover\_time = 86400: max time period for collection AppId stats before rolling over the log file { 0: }
- string appid.app\_detector\_dir: directory to load AppId detectors from
- int **appid.instance\_id** = 0: instance id need more details for what this is { 0: }
- bool **appid.debug** = false: enable AppId debug logging
- bool **appid.dump\_ports** = false: enable dump of AppId port information
- string appid.thirdparty\_appid\_dir: directory to load thirdparty AppId detectors from
- addr appid.session\_log\_filter.src\_ip = 0.0.0.0/32: source ip address in CIDR format
- addr appid.session\_log\_filter.dst\_ip = 0.0.0.0/32: destination ip address in CIDR format
- port appid.session\_log\_filter.src\_port: source port { 1: }

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- port appid.session\_log\_filter.dst\_port: destination port { 1: }
- string appid.session\_log\_filter.protocol: ip protocol
- bool appid.session\_log\_filter.log\_all\_sessions = false: enable logging for all appid sessions

- appid.packets: count of packets received by appid inspector
- appid.processed packets: count of packets processed by appid inspector
- appid.ignored packets: count of packets ignored by appid inspector
- appid.aim\_clients: count of aim clients discovered by appid
- appid.battlefield\_flows: count of battle field flows discovered by appid
- appid.bgp\_flows: count of bgp flows discovered by appid
- appid.bit\_clients: count of bittorrent clients discovered by appid
- appid.bit\_flows: count of bittorrent flows discovered by appid
- appid.bittracker\_clients: count of bittorrent tracker clients discovered by appid
- appid.bootp\_flows: count of bootp flows discovered by appid
- appid.dcerpc\_tcp\_flows: count of dce rpc flows over tcp discovered by appid
- appid.dcerpc\_udp\_flows: count of dce rpc flows over udp discovered by appid
- appid.direct\_connect\_flows: count of direct connect flows discovered by appid
- appid.dns tcp flows: count of dns flows over tcp discovered by appid
- appid.dns udp flows: count of dns flows over udp discovered by appid
- appid.ftp flows: count of ftp flows discovered by appid
- appid.ftps\_flows: count of ftps flows discovered by appid
- appid.http\_flows: count of http flows discovered by appid
- appid.imap\_flows: count of imap service flows discovered by appid
- appid.imaps\_flows: count of imap TLS service flows discovered by appid
- appid.irc\_flows: count of irc service flows discovered by appid
- appid.kerberos\_clients: count of kerberos clients discovered by appid
- appid.kerberos\_flows: count of kerberos service flows discovered by appid
- appid.kerberos\_users: count of kerberos users discovered by appid
- appid.lpr\_flows: count of lpr service flows discovered by appid
- appid.mdns\_flows: count of mdns service flows discovered by appid
- appid.msn\_clients: count of msn clients discovered by appid
- appid.mysql\_flows: count of mysql service flows discovered by appid
- appid.netbios\_dgm\_flows: count of netbios-dgm service flows discovered by appid
- appid.netbios\_ns\_flows: count of netbios-ns service flows discovered by appid

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- appid.netbios ssn flows: count of netbios-ssn service flows discovered by appid
- appid.nntp\_flows: count of nntp flows discovered by appid
- appid.ntp\_flows: count of ntp flows discovered by appid
- appid.pop\_flows: count of pop service flows discovered by appid
- appid.radius flows: count of radius flows discovered by appid
- appid.rexec\_flows: count of rexec flows discovered by appid
- appid.rfb flows: count of rfb flows discovered by appid
- appid.rlogin\_flows: count of rlogin flows discovered by appid
- appid.rpc\_flows: count of rpc flows discovered by appid
- appid.rshell\_flows: count of rshell flows discovered by appid
- appid.rsync flows: count of rsync service flows discovered by appid
- appid.rtmp\_flows: count of rtmp flows discovered by appid
- appid.rtp\_clients: count of rtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.sip\_clients: count of SIP clients discovered by appid
- appid.sip\_flows: count of SIP flows discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_aol\_clients: count of AOL smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp applemail clients: count of Apple Mail smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp eudora clients: count of Eudora smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_eudora\_pro\_clients: count of Eudora Pro smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_evolution\_clients: count of Evolution smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_kmail\_clients: count of KMail smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_lotus\_notes\_clients: count of Lotus Notes smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_microsoft\_outlook\_clients: count of Microsoft Outlook smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_microsoft\_outlook\_express\_clients: count of Microsoft Outlook Express smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_microsoft\_outlook\_imo\_clients: count of Microsoft Outlook IMO smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_mutt\_clients: count of Mutt smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp thunderbird clients: count of Thunderbird smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp flows: count of smtp flows discovered by appid
- appid.smtps\_flows: count of smtps flows discovered by appid
- appid.snmp\_flows: count of snmp flows discovered by appid
- appid.ssh\_clients: count of ssh clients discovered by appid
- appid.ssh\_flows: count of ssh flows discovered by appid
- appid.ssl\_flows: count of ssl flows discovered by appid
- appid.telnet\_flows: count of telnet flows discovered by appid
- appid.tftp\_flows: count of tftp flows discovered by appid

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- appid.timbuktu\_flows: count of timbuktu flows discovered by appid
- appid.tns\_clients: count of tns clients discovered by appid
- appid.tns\_flows: count of tns flows discovered by appid
- appid.vnc\_clients: count of vnc clients discovered by appid
- appid.yahoo\_messenger\_clients: count of Yahoo Messenger clients discovered by appid

### 5.2 arp\_spoof

What: detect ARP attacks and anomalies

Type: inspector Configuration:

- ip4 arp\_spoof.hosts[].ip: host ip address
- mac arp\_spoof.hosts[].mac: host mac address

Rules:

- 112:1 (arp\_spoof) unicast ARP request
- 112:2 (arp\_spoof) ethernet/ARP mismatch request for source
- 112:3 (arp\_spoof) ethernet/ARP mismatch request for destination
- 112:4 (arp\_spoof) attempted ARP cache overwrite attack

Peg counts:

• arp\_spoof.packets: total packets

# 5.3 back\_orifice

What: back orifice detection

Type: inspector

Rules:

- 105:1 (back\_orifice) BO traffic detected
- 105:2 (back\_orifice) BO client traffic detected
- 105:3 (back\_orifice) BO server traffic detected
- 105:4 (back\_orifice) BO Snort buffer attack

Peg counts:

• back\_orifice.packets: total packets

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### 5.4 binder

What: configure processing based on CIDRs, ports, services, etc.

Type: inspector Configuration:

- int binder[].when.policy\_id = 0: unique ID for selection of this config by external logic { 0: }
- bit\_list binder[].when.ifaces: list of interface indices { 255 }
- bit\_list binder[].when.vlans: list of VLAN IDs { 4095 }
- addr\_list binder[].when.nets: list of networks
- enum binder[].when.proto: protocol { any | ip | icmp | tcp | udp | user | file }
- bit\_list binder[].when.ports: list of ports { 65535 }
- enum binder[].when.role = any: use the given configuration on one or any end of a session { client | server | any }
- string binder[].when.service: override default configuration
- enum binder[].use.action = inspect: what to do with matching traffic { reset | block | allow | inspect }
- string binder[].use.file: use configuration in given file
- string binder[].use.service: override automatic service identification
- string binder[].use.type: select module for binding
- string binder[].use.name: symbol name (defaults to type)

#### Peg counts:

- binder.packets: initial bindings
- · binder.resets: reset bindings
- binder.blocks: block bindings
- binder.allows: allow bindings
- binder.inspects: inspect bindings

## 5.5 dce smb

What: dce over smb inspection

Type: inspector Configuration:

- bool dce\_smb.disable\_defrag = false: Disable DCE/RPC defragmentation
- int dce\_smb.max\_frag\_len = 65535: Maximum fragment size for defragmentation { 1514:65535 }
- int dce\_smb.reassemble\_threshold = 0: Minimum bytes received before performing reassembly { 0:65535 }
- enum dce\_smb.smb\_fingerprint\_policy = none: Target based SMB policy to use { none | client | server | both }
- enum **dce\_smb.policy** = WinXP: Target based policy to use { Win2000 | WinXP | WinVista | Win2003 | Win2008 | Win7 | Samba | Samba-3.0.37 | Samba-3.0.22 | Samba-3.0.20 }

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- int dce smb.smb max chain = 3: SMB max chain size { 0:255 }
- int dce\_smb.smb\_max\_compound = 3: SMB max compound size { 0:255 }
- multi dce\_smb.valid\_smb\_versions = all: Valid SMB versions { v1 | v2 | all }
- enum dce\_smb.smb\_file\_inspection = off: SMB file inspection { off | on | only }
- int dce\_smb.smb\_file\_depth = 16384: SMB file depth for file data { -1: }
- string dce\_smb.smb\_invalid\_shares: SMB shares to alert on
- bool dce\_smb.smb\_legacy\_mode = false: inspect only SMBv1

- 133:2 (dce\_smb) SMB Bad NetBIOS Session Service session type.
- 133:3 (dce\_smb) SMB Bad SMB message type.
- 133:4 (dce\_smb) SMB Bad SMB Id (not \xffSMB for SMB1 or not \xfeSMB for SMB2).
- 133:5 (dce\_smb) SMB Bad word count or structure size.
- 133:6 (dce\_smb) SMB Bad byte count.
- 133:7 (dce\_smb) SMB Bad format type.
- 133:8 (dce\_smb) SMB Bad offset.
- 133:9 (dce\_smb) SMB Zero total data count.
- 133:10 (dce\_smb) SMB NetBIOS data length less than SMB header length.
- 133:12 (dce smb) SMB Remaining NetBIOS data length less than command byte count.
- 133:13 (dce\_smb) SMB Remaining NetBIOS data length less than command data size.
- 133:14 (dce smb) SMB Remaining total data count less than this command data size.
- 133:15 (dce\_smb) SMB Total data sent (STDu64) greater than command total data expected.
- 133:16 (dce\_smb) SMB Byte count less than command data size (STDu64)
- 133:17 (dce\_smb) SMB Invalid command data size for byte count.
- 133:18 (dce\_smb) SMB Excessive Tree Connect requests with pending Tree Connect responses.
- 133:19 (dce\_smb) SMB Excessive Read requests with pending Read responses.
- 133:20 (dce\_smb) SMB Excessive command chaining.
- 133:21 (dce\_smb) SMB Multiple chained tree connect requests.
- 133:22 (dce\_smb) SMB Multiple chained tree connect requests.
- 133:23 (dce\_smb) SMB Chained/Compounded login followed by logoff.
- 133:24 (dce\_smb) SMB Chained/Compounded tree connect followed by tree disconnect.
- 133:25 (dce\_smb) SMB Chained/Compounded open pipe followed by close pipe.
- 133:26 (dce\_smb) SMB Invalid share access.
- 133:27 (dce\_smb) Connection oriented DCE/RPC Invalid major version.
- 133:28 (dce\_smb) Connection oriented DCE/RPC Invalid minor version.

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- 133:29 (dce smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Invalid pdu type.
- 133:30 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Fragment length less than header size.
- 133:32 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC No context items specified.
- 133:33 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC -No transfer syntaxes specified.
- 133:34 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Fragment length on non-last fragment less than maximum negotiated fragment transmit size for client.
- 133:35 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Fragment length greater than maximum negotiated fragment transmit size.
- 133:36 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Alter Context byte order different from Bind
- 133:37 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Call id of non first/last fragment different from call id established for fragmented request.
- 133:38 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Opnum of non first/last fragment different from opnum established for fragmented request.
- 133:39 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Context id of non first/last fragment different from context id established for fragmented request.
- 133:44 (dce\_smb) SMB Invalid SMB version 1 seen.
- 133:45 (dce\_smb) SMB Invalid SMB version 2 seen.
- 133:46 (dce\_smb) SMB Invalid user, tree connect, file binding.
- 133:47 (dce smb) SMB Excessive command compounding.
- 133:48 (dce\_smb) SMB Zero data count.
- 133:50 (dce\_smb) SMB Maximum number of outstanding requests exceeded.
- 133:51 (dce\_smb) SMB Outstanding requests with same MID.
- 133:52 (dce\_smb) SMB Deprecated dialect negotiated.
- 133:53 (dce\_smb) SMB Deprecated command used.
- 133:54 (dce\_smb) SMB Unusual command used.
- 133:55 (dce\_smb) SMB Invalid setup count for command.
- 133:56 (dce\_smb) SMB Client attempted multiple dialect negotiations on session.
- 133:57 (dce\_smb) SMB Client attempted to create or set a file's attributes to readonly/hidden/system.
- 133:58 (dce\_smb) SMB File offset provided is greater than file size specified
- 133:59 (dce\_smb) SMB Next command specified in SMB2 header is beyond payload boundary

- dce\_smb.events: total events
- dce smb.aborted sessions: total aborted sessions
- dce smb.bad autodetects: total bad autodetects
- dce\_smb.PDUs: total connection-oriented PDUs
- dce\_smb.Binds: total connection-oriented binds
- dce\_smb.Bind acks: total connection-oriented binds acks

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- dce smb.Alter contexts: total connection-oriented alter contexts
- dce smb.Alter context responses: total connection-oriented alter context responses
- dce\_smb.Bind naks: total connection-oriented bind naks
- dce\_smb.Requests: total connection-oriented requests
- dce\_smb.Responses: total connection-oriented responses
- dce smb.Cancels: total connection-oriented cancels
- dce\_smb.Orphaned: total connection-oriented orphaned
- dce\_smb.Faults: total connection-oriented faults
- dce\_smb.Auth3s: total connection-oriented auth3s
- dce smb.Shutdowns: total connection-oriented shutdowns
- dce\_smb.Rejects: total connection-oriented rejects
- dce\_smb.MS RPC/HTTP PDUs: total connection-oriented MS requests to send RPC over HTTP
- dce smb.Other requests: total connection-oriented other requests
- dce\_smb.Other responses: total connection-oriented other responses
- dce\_smb.Request fragments: total connection-oriented request fragments
- dce\_smb.Response fragments: total connection-oriented response fragments
- dce\_smb.Client max fragment size: connection-oriented client maximum fragment size
- dce\_smb.Client min fragment size: connection-oriented client minimum fragment size
- dce\_smb.Client segs reassembled: total connection-oriented client segments reassembled
- dce\_smb.Client frags reassembled: total connection-oriented client fragments reassembled
- dce\_smb.Server max fragment size: connection-oriented server maximum fragment size
- dce smb.Server min fragment size: connection-oriented server minimum fragment size
- · dce\_smb.Server segs reassembled: total connection-oriented server segments reassembled
- dce\_smb.Server frags reassembled: total connection-oriented server fragments reassembled
- dce smb.Sessions: total smb sessions
- dce\_smb.Packets: total smb packets
- dce\_smb.Ignored bytes: total ignored bytes
- dce\_smb.Client segs reassembled: total smb client segments reassembled
- dce\_smb.Server segs reassembled: total smb server segments reassembled
- dce\_smb.Max outstanding requests: total smb maximum outstanding requests
- dce\_smb.Files processed: total smb files processed
- dce\_smb.SMBv2 create: total number of SMBv2 create packets seen
- dce smb.SMBv2 write: total number of SMBv2 write packets seen
- dce\_smb.SMBv2 read: total number of SMBv2 read packets seen
- dce\_smb.SMBv2 set info: total number of SMBv2 set info packets seen
- dce smb.SMBv2 tree connect: total number of SMBv2 tree connect packets seen
- dce\_smb.SMBv2 tree disconnect: total number of SMBv2 tree disconnect packets seen
- dce\_smb.SMBv2 close: total number of SMBv2 close packets seen

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### 5.6 dce\_tcp

What: dce over tcp inspection

Type: inspector Configuration:

- bool **dce\_tcp.disable\_defrag** = false: Disable DCE/RPC defragmentation
- int dce\_tcp.max\_frag\_len = 65535: Maximum fragment size for defragmentation { 1514:65535 }
- int dce\_tcp.reassemble\_threshold = 0: Minimum bytes received before performing reassembly { 0:65535 }
- enum **dce\_tcp.policy** = WinXP: Target based policy to use { Win2000 | WinXP | WinVista | Win2003 | Win2008 | Win7 | Samba | Samba-3.0.37 | Samba-3.0.22 | Samba-3.0.20 }

#### Rules:

- 133:27 (dce\_tcp) Connection oriented DCE/RPC Invalid major version.
- 133:28 (dce\_tcp) Connection oriented DCE/RPC Invalid minor version.
- 133:29 (dce tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Invalid pdu type.
- 133:30 (dce\_tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Fragment length less than header size.
- 133:32 (dce\_tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC No context items specified.
- 133:33 (dce\_tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC -No transfer syntaxes specified.
- 133:34 (dce\_tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Fragment length on non-last fragment less than maximum negotiated fragment transmit size for client.
- 133:35 (dce\_tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Fragment length greater than maximum negotiated fragment transmit size.
- 133:36 (dce\_tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Alter Context byte order different from Bind
- 133:37 (dce\_tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Call id of non first/last fragment different from call id established for fragmented request.
- 133:38 (dce\_tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Opnum of non first/last fragment different from opnum established for fragmented request.
- 133:39 (dce\_tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Context id of non first/last fragment different from context id established for fragmented request.

- dce\_tcp.events: total events
- dce\_tcp.aborted sessions: total aborted sessions
- dce\_tcp.bad autodetects: total bad autodetects
- dce\_tcp.PDUs: total connection-oriented PDUs
- dce\_tcp.Binds: total connection-oriented binds
- dce\_tcp.Bind acks: total connection-oriented binds acks
- dce\_tcp.Alter contexts: total connection-oriented alter contexts
- dce tcp.Alter context responses: total connection-oriented alter context responses

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- dce\_tcp.Bind naks: total connection-oriented bind naks
- dce\_tcp.Requests: total connection-oriented requests
- dce\_tcp.Responses: total connection-oriented responses
- dce\_tcp.Cancels: total connection-oriented cancels
- dce\_tcp.Orphaned: total connection-oriented orphaned
- dce\_tcp.Faults: total connection-oriented faults
- dce\_tcp.Auth3s: total connection-oriented auth3s
- dce\_tcp.Shutdowns: total connection-oriented shutdowns
- dce\_tcp.Rejects: total connection-oriented rejects
- dce\_tcp.MS RPC/HTTP PDUs: total connection-oriented MS requests to send RPC over HTTP
- dce\_tcp.Other requests: total connection-oriented other requests
- dce\_tcp.Other responses: total connection-oriented other responses
- dce tcp.Request fragments: total connection-oriented request fragments
- dce\_tcp.Response fragments: total connection-oriented response fragments
- dce\_tcp.Client max fragment size: connection-oriented client maximum fragment size
- dce\_tcp.Client min fragment size: connection-oriented client minimum fragment size
- · dce\_tcp.Client segs reassembled: total connection-oriented client segments reassembled
- dce\_tcp.Client frags reassembled: total connection-oriented client fragments reassembled
- dce\_tcp.Server max fragment size: connection-oriented server maximum fragment size
- dce\_tcp.Server min fragment size: connection-oriented server minimum fragment size
- dce\_tcp.Server segs reassembled: total connection-oriented server segments reassembled
- dce\_tcp.Server frags reassembled: total connection-oriented server fragments reassembled
- dce\_tcp.tcp sessions: total tcp sessions
- dce\_tcp.tcp packets: total tcp packets

### 5.7 dce\_udp

What: dce over udp inspection

Type: inspector Configuration:

- bool dce\_udp.disable\_defrag = false: Disable DCE/RPC defragmentation
- int dce udp.max frag len = 65535: Maximum fragment size for defragmentation { 1514:65535 }

- 133:40 (dce\_udp) Connection-less DCE/RPC Invalid major version.
- 133:41 (dce\_udp) Connection-less DCE/RPC Invalid pdu type.

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- 133:42 (dce\_udp) Connection-less DCE/RPC Data length less than header size.
- 133:43 (dce\_udp) Connection-less DCE/RPC Bad sequence number.

#### Peg counts:

• dce\_udp.events: total events

• dce\_udp.aborted sessions: total aborted sessions

• dce\_udp.bad autodetects: total bad autodetects

• dce udp.udp sessions: total udp sessions

• dce\_udp.udp packets: total udp packets

• dce\_udp.Requests: total connection-less requests

• dce\_udp.Acks: total connection-less acks

• dce\_udp.Cancels: total connection-less cancels

• dce udp.Client facks: total connection-less client facks

• dce\_udp.Ping: total connection-less ping

• dce\_udp.Responses: total connection-less responses

• dce\_udp.Rejects: total connection-less rejects

• dce\_udp.Cancel acks: total connection-less cancel acks

• dce\_udp.Server facks: total connection-less server facks

• dce\_udp.Faults: total connection-less faults

• dce\_udp.No calls: total connection-less no calls

• dce\_udp.Working: total connection-less working

• dce udp.Other requests: total connection-less other requests

• dce udp.Other responses: total connection-less other responses

• dce\_udp.Fragments: total connection-less fragments

• dce\_udp.Max fragment size: connection-less maximum fragment size

• dce\_udp.Frags reassembled: total connection-less fragments reassembled

• dce udp.Max segnum: max connection-less segnum

### 5.8 dnp3

What: dnp3 inspection

Type: inspector Configuration:

• bool dnp3.check\_crc = false: validate checksums in DNP3 link layer frames

### Rules:

• 145:1 (dnp3) DNP3 Link-Layer Frame contains bad CRC.

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- 145:2 (dnp3) DNP3 Link-Layer Frame was dropped.
- 145:3 (dnp3) DNP3 Transport-Layer Segment was dropped during reassembly.
- 145:4 (dnp3) DNP3 Reassembly Buffer was cleared without reassembling a complete message.
- 145:5 (dnp3) DNP3 Link-Layer Frame uses a reserved address.
- 145:6 (dnp3) DNP3 Application-Layer Fragment uses a reserved function code.

### Peg counts:

• dnp3.total packets: total packets

• dnp3.udp packets: total udp packets

• dnp3.tcp pdus: total tcp pdus

• dnp3.dnp3 link layer frames: total dnp3 link layer frames

• dnp3.dnp3 application pdus: total dnp3 application pdus

#### 5.9 dns

What: dns inspection

Type: inspector

Rules:

- 131:1 (dns) Obsolete DNS RR Types
- 131:2 (dns) Experimental DNS RR Types
- 131:3 (dns) DNS Client rdata txt Overflow

### Peg counts:

• dns.packets: total packets processed

• dns.requests: total dns requests

• dns.responses: total dns responses

## 5.10 file\_log

What: log file event to file.log

Type: inspector Configuration:

- bool **file\_log.log\_pkt\_time** = true: log the packet time when event generated
- bool **file\_log.log\_sys\_time** = false: log the system time when event generated

# Peg counts:

• file\_log.total events: total file events

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### 5.11 ftp\_client

What: FTP client configuration module for use with ftp\_server

Type: inspector Configuration:

- bool **ftp\_client.bounce** = false: check for bounces
- addr ftp\_client.bounce\_to[].address = 1.0.0.0/32: allowed ip address in CIDR format
- port ftp\_client.bounce\_to[].port = 20: allowed port { 1: }
- port ftp\_client.bounce\_to[].last\_port: optional allowed range from port to last\_port inclusive { 0: }
- bool ftp\_client.ignore\_telnet\_erase\_cmds = false: ignore erase character and erase line commands when normalizing
- int ftp\_client.max\_resp\_len = -1: maximum ftp response accepted by client { -1: }
- bool ftp\_client.telnet\_cmds = false: detect telnet escape sequences on ftp control channel

## 5.12 ftp data

What: FTP data channel handler

Type: inspector Peg counts:

• ftp\_data.packets: total packets

# 5.13 ftp server

What: main FTP module; ftp\_client should also be configured

Type: inspector Configuration:

- string ftp\_server.chk\_str\_fmt: check the formatting of the given commands
- string ftp\_server.data\_chan\_cmds: check the formatting of the given commands
- string **ftp\_server.data\_rest\_cmds**: check the formatting of the given commands
- string ftp\_server.data\_xfer\_cmds: check the formatting of the given commands
- string ftp\_server.directory\_cmds[].dir\_cmd: directory command
- int **ftp\_server.directory\_cmds**[].**rsp\_code** = 200: expected successful response code for command { 200: }
- string ftp\_server.file\_put\_cmds: check the formatting of the given commands
- string ftp\_server.file\_get\_cmds: check the formatting of the given commands
- string ftp\_server.encr\_cmds: check the formatting of the given commands
- string ftp\_server.login\_cmds: check the formatting of the given commands
- bool **ftp\_server.check\_encrypted** = false: check for end of encryption
- string ftp\_server.cmd\_validity[].command: command string

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- string ftp\_server.cmd\_validity[].format: format specification
- int **ftp\_server.cmd\_validity[].length** = 0: specify non-default maximum for command { 0: }
- int ftp\_server.def\_max\_param\_len = 100: default maximum length of commands handled by server; 0 is unlimited { 1: }
- bool ftp\_server.encrypted\_traffic = false: check for encrypted telnet and ftp
- string ftp\_server.ftp\_cmds: specify additional commands supported by server beyond RFC 959
- bool ftp\_server.ignore\_data\_chan = false: do not inspect ftp data channels
- bool **ftp\_server.ignore\_telnet\_erase\_cmds** = false: ignore erase character and erase line commands when normalizing
- bool **ftp\_server.print\_cmds** = false: print command configurations on start up
- bool ftp\_server.telnet\_cmds = false: detect telnet escape sequences of ftp control channel

#### Rules:

- 125:1 (ftp\_server) TELNET cmd on FTP command channel
- 125:2 (ftp\_server) invalid FTP command
- 125:3 (ftp\_server) FTP command parameters were too long
- 125:4 (ftp\_server) FTP command parameters were malformed
- 125:5 (ftp\_server) FTP command parameters contained potential string format
- 125:6 (ftp\_server) FTP response message was too long
- 125:7 (ftp\_server) FTP traffic encrypted
- 125:8 (ftp\_server) FTP bounce attempt
- 125:9 (ftp\_server) evasive (incomplete) TELNET cmd on FTP command channel

#### Peg counts:

• ftp\_server.packets: total packets

### 5.14 gtp inspect

What: gtp control channel inspection

Type: inspector Configuration:

- int **gtp\_inspect[].version** = 2: gtp version { 0:2 }
- int gtp\_inspect[].messages[].type = 0: message type code { 0:255 }
- string **gtp\_inspect[].messages[].name**: message name
- int gtp\_inspect[].infos[].type = 0: information element type code { 0:255 }
- string **gtp\_inspect[].infos[].name**: information element name
- int **gtp\_inspect[].infos[].length** = 0: information element type code { 0:255 }

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- 143:1 (gtp\_inspect) message length is invalid
- 143:2 (gtp\_inspect) information element length is invalid
- 143:3 (gtp\_inspect) information elements are out of order

#### Peg counts:

- gtp\_inspect.sessions: total sessions processed
- **gtp\_inspect.events**: requests
- gtp\_inspect.unknown types: unknown message types
- gtp\_inspect.unknown infos: unknown information elements

## 5.15 http inspect

What: HTTP inspector

Type: inspector Configuration:

- int http\_inspect.request\_depth = -1: maximum request message body bytes to examine (-1 no limit) { -1: }
- int http\_inspect.response\_depth = -1: maximum response message body bytes to examine (-1 no limit) { -1: }
- bool http\_inspect.unzip = true: decompress gzip and deflate message bodies
- bool http\_inspect.normalize\_utf = true: normalize charset utf encodings
- bit\_list http\_inspect.bad\_characters: alert when any of specified bytes are present in URI after percent decoding { 255 }
- string **http\_inspect.ignore\_unreserved**: do not alert when the specified unreserved characters are percent-encoded in a URI.Unreserved characters are 0-9, a-z, A-Z, period, underscore, tilde, and minus. { (optional) }
- bool http\_inspect.percent\_u = false: normalize %uNNNN and %UNNNN encodings
- bool http\_inspect.utf8 = true: normalize 2-byte and 3-byte UTF-8 characters to a single byte
- bool http\_inspect.utf8\_bare\_byte = false: when doing UTF-8 character normalization include bytes that were not percent encoded
- bool http\_inspect.iis\_unicode = false: use IIS unicode code point mapping to normalize characters
- string http\_inspect.iis\_unicode\_map\_file: file containing code points for IIS unicode. { (optional) }
- int http\_inspect.iis\_unicode\_code\_page = 1252: code page to use from the IIS unicode map file { 0:65535 }
- bool http\_inspect.iis\_double\_decode = false: perform double decoding of percent encodings to normalize characters
- int http\_inspect.oversize\_dir\_length = 300: maximum length for URL directory { 1:65535 }
- bool http\_inspect.backslash\_to\_slash = false: replace \ with / when normalizing URIs
- bool http\_inspect.plus\_to\_space = true: replace + with <sp> when normalizing URIs
- bool http\_inspect.simplify\_path = true: reduce URI directory path to simplest form
- bool http\_inspect.test\_input = false: read HTTP messages from text file
- bool http\_inspect.test\_output = false: print out HTTP section data
- int http\_inspect.print\_amount = 1200: number of characters to print from a Field { 1:1000000 }

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- bool http\_inspect.print\_hex = false: nonprinting characters printed in [HH] format instead of using an asterisk
- bool **http\_inspect.show\_pegs** = true: display peg counts with test output

- 119:1 (http\_inspect) ascii encoding
- 119:2 (http\_inspect) double decoding attack
- 119:3 (http\_inspect) u encoding
- 119:4 (http\_inspect) bare byte unicode encoding
- 119:5 (http\_inspect) obsolete event—should not appear
- 119:6 (http\_inspect) UTF-8 encoding
- 119:7 (http\_inspect) IIS unicode codepoint encoding
- 119:8 (http\_inspect) multi\_slash encoding
- 119:9 (http\_inspect) IIS backslash evasion
- 119:10 (http\_inspect) self directory traversal
- 119:11 (http\_inspect) directory traversal
- 119:12 (http\_inspect) apache whitespace (tab)
- 119:13 (http\_inspect) non-RFC http delimiter
- 119:14 (http\_inspect) non-RFC defined char
- 119:15 (http\_inspect) oversize request-uri directory
- 119:16 (http\_inspect) oversize chunk encoding
- 119:17 (http\_inspect) unauthorized proxy use detected
- 119:18 (http\_inspect) webroot directory traversal
- 119:19 (http\_inspect) long header
- 119:20 (http\_inspect) max header fields
- 119:21 (http\_inspect) multiple content length
- 119:22 (http\_inspect) chunk size mismatch detected
- 119:23 (http\_inspect) invalid IP in true-client-IP/XFF header
- 119:24 (http\_inspect) multiple host hdrs detected
- 119:25 (http\_inspect) hostname exceeds 255 characters
- 119:26 (http\_inspect) header parsing space saturation
- 119:27 (http\_inspect) client consecutive small chunk sizes
- 119:28 (http\_inspect) post w/o content-length or chunks
- 119:29 (http\_inspect) multiple true ips in a session
- 119:30 (http\_inspect) both true-client-IP and XFF hdrs present
- 119:31 (http\_inspect) unknown method

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- 119:32 (http\_inspect) simple request
- 119:33 (http\_inspect) unescaped space in HTTP URI
- 119:34 (http\_inspect) too many pipelined requests
- 119:35 (http\_inspect) anomalous http server on undefined HTTP port
- 119:36 (http\_inspect) invalid status code in HTTP response
- 119:37 (http\_inspect) no content-length or transfer-encoding in HTTP response
- 119:38 (http inspect) HTTP response has UTF charset which failed to normalize
- 119:39 (http\_inspect) HTTP response has UTF-7 charset
- 119:40 (http\_inspect) HTTP response gzip decompression failed
- 119:41 (http\_inspect) server consecutive small chunk sizes
- 119:42 (http\_inspect) invalid content-length or chunk size
- 119:43 (http\_inspect) javascript obfuscation levels exceeds 1
- 119:44 (http\_inspect) javascript whitespaces exceeds max allowed
- 119:45 (http\_inspect) multiple encodings within javascript obfuscated data
- 119:46 (http\_inspect) SWF file zlib decompression failure
- 119:47 (http\_inspect) SWF file LZMA decompression failure
- 119:48 (http\_inspect) PDF file deflate decompression failure
- 119:49 (http\_inspect) PDF file unsupported compression type
- 119:50 (http\_inspect) PDF file cascaded compression
- 119:51 (http\_inspect) PDF file parse failure
- 119:52 (http\_inspect) Not HTTP traffic
- 119:53 (http\_inspect) Chunk length has excessive leading zeros
- 119:54 (http\_inspect) White space before or between messages
- 119:55 (http\_inspect) Request message without URI
- 119:56 (http\_inspect) Control character in reason phrase
- 119:57 (http\_inspect) Illegal extra whitespace in start line
- 119:58 (http\_inspect) Corrupted HTTP version
- 119:59 (http\_inspect) Unknown HTTP version
- 119:60 (http\_inspect) Format error in HTTP header
- 119:61 (http\_inspect) Chunk header options present
- 119:62 (http\_inspect) URI badly formatted
- 119:63 (http\_inspect) Unrecognized type of percent encoding in URI
- 119:64 (http\_inspect) HTTP chunk misformatted
- 119:65 (http\_inspect) White space following chunk length
- 119:66 (http\_inspect) White space within header name

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- 119:67 (http\_inspect) Excessive gzip compression
- 119:68 (http\_inspect) Gzip decompression failed
- 119:69 (http\_inspect) HTTP 0.9 requested followed by another request
- 119:70 (http\_inspect) HTTP 0.9 request following a normal request
- 119:71 (http\_inspect) Message has both Content-Length and Transfer-Encoding
- 119:72 (http\_inspect) Status code implying no body combined with Transfer-Encoding or nonzero Content-Length
- 119:73 (http\_inspect) Transfer-Encoding did not end with chunked
- 119:74 (http\_inspect) Transfer-Encoding with chunked not at end
- 119:75 (http\_inspect) Misformatted HTTP traffic
- 119:76 (http\_inspect) Unsupported Transfer-Encoding or Content-Encoding used
- 119:77 (http\_inspect) Unknown Transfer-Encoding or Content-Encoding used
- 119:78 (http\_inspect) Multiple layers of compression encodings applied

- http\_inspect.flows: HTTP connections inspected
- http\_inspect.scans: TCP segments scanned looking for HTTP messages
- http\_inspect.reassembles: TCP segments combined into HTTP messages
- http\_inspect.inspections: total message sections inspected
- http\_inspect.requests: HTTP request messages inspected
- http\_inspect.responses: HTTP response messages inspected
- http inspect.GET requests: GET requests inspected
- http\_inspect.HEAD requests: HEAD requests inspected
- http\_inspect.POST requests: POST requests inspected
- http\_inspect.PUT requests: PUT requests inspected
- http\_inspect.DELETE requests: DELETE requests inspected
- http\_inspect.CONNECT requests: CONNECT requests inspected
- http\_inspect.OPTIONS requests: OPTIONS requests inspected
- http\_inspect.TRACE requests: TRACE requests inspected
- http\_inspect.other requests: other request methods inspected
- http\_inspect.request bodies: POST, PUT, and other requests with message bodies
- http\_inspect.chunked: chunked message bodies
- http\_inspect.URI normalizations: URIs needing to be normalization
- http\_inspect.URI path: URIs with path problems
- http\_inspect.URI coding: URIs with character coding problems

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# 5.16 imap

What: imap inspection

Type: inspector Configuration:

- int imap.b64\_decode\_depth = 1460: base64 decoding depth { -1:65535 }
- int imap.bitenc\_decode\_depth = 1460: Non-Encoded MIME attachment extraction depth { -1:65535 }
- int imap.qp\_decode\_depth = 1460: Quoted Printable decoding depth { -1:65535 }
- int imap.uu\_decode\_depth = 1460: Unix-to-Unix decoding depth { -1:65535 }

#### Rules:

- 141:1 (imap) Unknown IMAP3 command
- 141:2 (imap) Unknown IMAP3 response
- 141:4 (imap) Base64 Decoding failed.
- 141:5 (imap) Quoted-Printable Decoding failed.
- 141:7 (imap) Unix-to-Unix Decoding failed.

#### Peg counts:

- imap.packets: total packets processed
- imap.sessions: total imap sessions
- imap.b64 attachments: total base64 attachments decoded
- imap.b64 decoded bytes: total base64 decoded bytes
- imap.qp attachments: total quoted-printable attachments decoded
- imap.qp decoded bytes: total quoted-printable decoded bytes
- imap.uu attachments: total uu attachments decoded
- imap.uu decoded bytes: total uu decoded bytes
- imap.non-encoded attachments: total non-encoded attachments extracted
- imap.non-encoded bytes: total non-encoded extracted bytes

## 5.17 modbus

What: modbus inspection

Type: inspector

Rules:

- 144:1 (modbus) length in Modbus MBAP header does not match the length needed for the given function
- 144:2 (modbus) Modbus protocol ID is non-zero
- 144:3 (modbus) Reserved Modbus function code in use

- modbus.sessions: total sessions processed
- modbus.frames: total Modbus messages

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#### 5.18 normalizer

What: packet scrubbing for inline mode

Type: inspector Configuration:

- bool **normalizer.ip4.base** = true: clear options
- bool **normalizer.ip4.df** = false: clear don't frag flag
- bool **normalizer.ip4.rf** = false: clear reserved flag
- bool **normalizer.ip4.tos** = false: clear tos / differentiated services byte
- bool **normalizer.ip4.trim** = false: truncate excess payload beyond datagram length
- bool **normalizer.tcp.base** = true: clear reserved bits and option padding and fix urgent pointer / flags issues
- bool **normalizer.tcp.block** = true: allow packet drops during TCP normalization
- bool **normalizer.tcp.urp** = true: adjust urgent pointer if beyond segment length
- bool **normalizer.tcp.ips** = false: ensure consistency in retransmitted data
- select **normalizer.tcp.ecn** = off: clear ecn for all packets | sessions w/o ecn setup { off | packet | stream }
- bool **normalizer.tcp.pad** = true: clear any option padding bytes
- bool **normalizer.tcp.trim\_syn** = false: remove data on SYN
- bool **normalizer.tcp.trim\_rst** = false: remove any data from RST packet
- bool **normalizer.tcp.trim\_win** = false: trim data to window
- bool **normalizer.tcp.trim\_mss** = false: trim data to MSS
- bool **normalizer.tcp.trim** = false: enable all of the TCP trim options
- bool **normalizer.tcp.opts** = true: clear all options except mss, wscale, timestamp, and any explicitly allowed
- bool **normalizer.tcp.req\_urg** = true: clear the urgent pointer if the urgent flag is not set
- bool **normalizer.tcp.req\_pay** = true: clear the urgent pointer and the urgent flag if there is no payload
- bool **normalizer.tcp.rsv** = true: clear the reserved bits in the TCP header
- bool **normalizer.tcp.req\_urp** = true: clear the urgent flag if the urgent pointer is not set
- multi **normalizer.tcp.allow\_names**: don't clear given option names { sack | echo | partial\_order | conn\_count | alt\_checksum | md5 }
- string normalizer.tcp.allow\_codes: don't clear given option codes
- bool **normalizer.ip6** = false: clear reserved flag
- bool **normalizer.icmp4** = false: clear reserved flag
- bool **normalizer.icmp6** = false: clear reserved flag

- normalizer.ip4 trim: eth packets trimmed to datagram size
- normalizer.test ip4 trim: test eth packets trimmed to datagram size

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- normalizer.ip4 tos: type of service normalizations
- normalizer.test ip4 tos: test type of service normalizations
- normalizer.ip4 df: don't frag bit normalizations
- normalizer.test ip4 df: test don't frag bit normalizations
- normalizer.ip4 rf: reserved flag bit clears
- normalizer.test ip4 rf: test reserved flag bit clears
- normalizer.ip4 ttl: time-to-live normalizations
- normalizer.test ip4 ttl: test time-to-live normalizations
- normalizer.ip4 opts: ip4 options cleared
- normalizer.test ip4 opts: test ip4 options cleared
- normalizer.icmp4 echo: icmp4 ping normalizations
- normalizer.test icmp4 echo: test icmp4 ping normalizations
- normalizer.ip6 hops: ip6 hop limit normalizations
- normalizer.test ip6 hops: test ip6 hop limit normalizations
- normalizer.ip6 options: ip6 options cleared
- normalizer.test ip6 options: test ip6 options cleared
- normalizer.icmp6 echo: icmp6 echo normalizations
- normalizer.test icmp6 echo: test icmp6 echo normalizations
- normalizer.tcp syn options: SYN only options cleared from non-SYN packets
- normalizer.test tcp syn options: test SYN only options cleared from non-SYN packets
- normalizer.tcp options: packets with options cleared
- normalizer.test tcp options: test packets with options cleared
- normalizer.tcp paddding: packets with padding cleared
- normalizer.test tcp paddding: test packets with padding cleared
- normalizer.tcp reserved: packets with reserved bits cleared
- normalizer.test tcp reserved: test packets with reserved bits cleared
- normalizer.tcp nonce: packets with nonce bit cleared
- normalizer.test tcp nonce: test packets with nonce bit cleared
- normalizer.tcp urgent ptr: packets without data with urgent pointer cleared
- normalizer.test tcp urgent ptr: test packets without data with urgent pointer cleared
- normalizer.tcp ecn pkt: packets with ECN bits cleared
- normalizer.test tcp ecn pkt: test packets with ECN bits cleared
- normalizer.tcp ts ecr: timestamp cleared on non-ACKs
- normalizer.test tcp ts ecr: test timestamp cleared on non-ACKs
- normalizer.tcp req urg: cleared urgent pointer when urgent flag is not set

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- normalizer.test tcp req urg: test cleared urgent pointer when urgent flag is not set
- normalizer.tcp req pay: cleared urgent pointer and urgent flag when there is no payload
- normalizer.test tcp req pay: test cleared urgent pointer and urgent flag when there is no payload
- normalizer.tcp req urp: cleared the urgent flag if the urgent pointer is not set
- normalizer.test tcp req urp: test cleared the urgent flag if the urgent pointer is not set
- normalizer.tcp trim syn: tcp segments trimmed on SYN
- normalizer.test tcp trim syn: test tcp segments trimmed on SYN
- normalizer.tcp trim rst: RST packets with data trimmed
- normalizer.test tcp trim rst: test RST packets with data trimmed
- normalizer.tcp trim win: data trimed to window
- normalizer.test tcp trim win: test data trimed to window
- normalizer.tcp trim mss: data trimmed to MSS
- normalizer.test tcp trim mss: test data trimmed to MSS
- normalizer.tcp ecn session: ECN bits cleared
- normalizer.test tcp ecn session: test ECN bits cleared
- normalizer.tcp ts nop: timestamp options cleared
- normalizer.test tcp ts nop: test timestamp options cleared
- normalizer.tcp ips data: normalized segments
- normalizer.test tcp ips data: test normalized segments
- normalizer.tcp block: blocked segments
- normalizer.test tcp block: test blocked segments

# 5.19 packet\_capture

What: raw packet dumping facility

Type: inspector Configuration:

- bool packet\_capture.enable = false: initially enable packet dumping
- string packet\_capture.filter: bpf filter to use for packet dump

## Commands:

- packet\_capture.enable(filter): dump raw packets
- packet\_capture.disable(): stop packet dump

- packet\_capture.processed: packets processed against filter
- packet\_capture.captured: packets matching dumped after matching filter

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## 5.20 perf\_monitor

What: performance monitoring and flow statistics collection

Type: inspector Configuration:

- bool **perf\_monitor.base** = true: enable base statistics { nullptr }
- bool **perf\_monitor.cpu** = false: enable cpu statistics { nullptr }
- bool **perf\_monitor.flow** = false: enable traffic statistics
- bool **perf\_monitor.flow\_ip** = false: enable statistics on host pairs
- int **perf\_monitor.packets** = 10000: minimum packets to report { 0: }
- int **perf\_monitor.seconds** = 60: report interval { 1: }
- int **perf\_monitor.flow\_ip\_memcap** = 52428800: maximum memory for flow tracking { 8200: }
- int **perf\_monitor.max\_file\_size** = 1073741824: files will be rolled over if they exceed this size { 4096: }
- int **perf\_monitor.flow\_ports** = 1023: maximum ports to track { 0:65535 }
- enum **perf\_monitor.output** = file: Output location for stats { file | console }
- string **perf\_monitor.modules[].name**: name of the module
- string **perf\_monitor.modules**[].**pegs**: list of statistics to track or empty for all counters
- enum **perf\_monitor.format** = csv: Output format for stats { csv | text }
- bool **perf\_monitor.summary** = false: Output summary at shutdown

Peg counts:

• perf\_monitor.packets: total packets

## 5.21 pop

What: pop inspection

Type: inspector Configuration:

- int **pop.b64\_decode\_depth** = 1460: base64 decoding depth { -1:65535 }
- int **pop.bitenc\_decode\_depth** = 1460: Non-Encoded MIME attachment extraction depth { -1:65535 }
- int **pop.qp\_decode\_depth** = 1460: Quoted Printable decoding depth { -1:65535 }
- int **pop.uu\_decode\_depth** = 1460: Unix-to-Unix decoding depth { -1:65535 }

- 142:1 (pop) Unknown POP3 command
- 142:2 (pop) Unknown POP3 response
- 142:4 (pop) Base64 Decoding failed.

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- 142:5 (pop) Quoted-Printable Decoding failed.
- 142:7 (pop) Unix-to-Unix Decoding failed.

#### Peg counts:

• pop.packets: total packets processed

• pop.sessions: total pop sessions

• pop.b64 attachments: total base64 attachments decoded

• pop.b64 decoded bytes: total base64 decoded bytes

• pop.qp attachments: total quoted-printable attachments decoded

• pop.qp decoded bytes: total quoted-printable decoded bytes

• pop.uu attachments: total uu attachments decoded

• pop.uu decoded bytes: total uu decoded bytes

• pop.non-encoded attachments: total non-encoded attachments extracted

• pop.non-encoded bytes: total non-encoded extracted bytes

# 5.22 port scan

What: port scan inspector; also configure port\_scan\_global

Type: inspector

Configuration:

- multi **port\_scan.protos** = all: choose the protocols to monitor { tcp | udp | icmp | ip | all }
- multi **port\_scan\_scan\_types** = all: choose type of scans to look for { portscan | portsweep | decoy\_portscan | distributed\_portscan | all }
- enum **port\_scan.sense\_level** = medium: choose the level of detection { low | medium | high }
- string **port\_scan.watch\_ip**: list of CIDRs with optional ports to watch
- string **port\_scan.ignore\_scanners**: list of CIDRs with optional ports to ignore if the source of scan alerts
- string port\_scan.ignore\_scanned: list of CIDRs with optional ports to ignore if the destination of scan alerts
- bool **port scan.include midstream** = false: list of CIDRs with optional ports
- bool **port\_scan.logfile** = false: write scan events to file

- 122:1 (port\_scan) TCP portscan
- 122:2 (port\_scan) TCP decoy portscan
- 122:3 (port\_scan) TCP portsweep
- 122:4 (port scan) TCP distributed portscan
- 122:5 (port\_scan) TCP filtered portscan
- 122:6 (port\_scan) TCP filtered decoy portscan

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- 122:7 (port\_scan) TCP filtered portsweep
- 122:8 (port\_scan) TCP filtered distributed portscan
- 122:9 (port\_scan) IP protocol scan
- 122:10 (port\_scan) IP decoy protocol scan
- 122:11 (port\_scan) IP protocol sweep
- 122:12 (port\_scan) IP distributed protocol scan
- 122:13 (port\_scan) IP filtered protocol scan
- 122:14 (port\_scan) IP filtered decoy protocol scan
- 122:15 (port\_scan) IP filtered protocol sweep
- 122:16 (port\_scan) IP filtered distributed protocol scan
- 122:17 (port\_scan) UDP portscan
- 122:18 (port\_scan) UDP decoy portscan
- 122:19 (port\_scan) UDP portsweep
- 122:20 (port\_scan) UDP distributed portscan
- 122:21 (port\_scan) UDP filtered portscan
- 122:22 (port\_scan) UDP filtered decoy portscan
- 122:23 (port\_scan) UDP filtered portsweep
- 122:24 (port\_scan) UDP filtered distributed portscan
- 122:25 (port\_scan) ICMP sweep
- 122:26 (port\_scan) ICMP filtered sweep
- 122:27 (port\_scan) open port

# 5.23 port\_scan\_global

What: shared settings for port\_scan inspectors for use with port\_scan

Type: inspector

Configuration:

• int **port\_scan\_global.memcap** = 1048576: maximum tracker memory { 1: }

Peg counts:

• port\_scan\_global.packets: total packets

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## 5.24 reputation

What: reputation inspection

Type: inspector Configuration:

- string reputation.blacklist: blacklist file name with ip lists
- int **reputation.memcap** = 500: maximum total memory allocated { 1:4095 }
- enum **reputation.nested\_ip** = inner: ip to use when there is IP encapsulation { innerlouterlall }
- enum **reputation.priority** = whitelist: defines priority when there is a decision conflict during run-time { blacklist|whitelist }
- bool reputation.scan\_local = false: inspect local address defined in RFC 1918
- enum **reputation.white** = unblack: specify the meaning of whitelist { unblackltrust }
- string reputation.whitelist: whitelist file name with ip lists

#### Rules:

- 136:1 (reputation) packets blacklisted
- 136:2 (reputation) Packets whitelisted
- 136:3 (reputation) Packets monitored

#### Peg counts:

- reputation.packets: total packets processed
- reputation.blacklisted: number of packets blacklisted
- reputation.whitelisted: number of packets whitelisted
- reputation.monitored: number of packets monitored
- reputation.memory\_allocated: total memory allocated

# 5.25 rpc\_decode

What: RPC inspector

Type: inspector

Rules:

- 106:1 (rpc\_decode) fragmented RPC records
- 106:2 (rpc\_decode) multiple RPC records
- 106:3 (rpc\_decode) large RPC record fragment
- 106:4 (rpc decode) incomplete RPC segment
- 106:5 (rpc\_decode) zero-length RPC fragment

### Peg counts:

• rpc\_decode.packets: total packets

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## 5.26 sip

What: sip inspection

Type: inspector Configuration:

• bool **sip.ignore\_call\_channel** = false: enables the support for ignoring audio/video data channel

- int sip.max\_call\_id\_len = 256: maximum call id field size { 0:65535 }
- int sip.max\_contact\_len = 256: maximum contact field size { 0:65535 }
- int sip.max\_content\_len = 1024: maximum content length of the message body { 0:65535 }
- int **sip.max\_dialogs** = 4: maximum number of dialogs within one stream session { 1:4194303 }
- int sip.max\_from\_len = 256: maximum from field size { 0:65535 }
- int **sip.max\_requestName\_len** = 20: maximum request name field size { 0:65535 }
- int sip.max\_sessions = 10000: maximum number of sessions that can be allocated { 1024:4194303 }
- int sip.max\_to\_len = 256: maximum to field size { 0:65535 }
- int sip.max\_uri\_len = 256: maximum request uri field size { 0:65535 }
- int sip.max\_via\_len = 1024: maximum via field size { 0:65535 }
- string **sip.methods** = invite cancel ack bye register options: list of methods to check in sip messages

#### Rules:

- 140:1 (sip) Maximum sessions reached
- 140:2 (sip) Empty request URI
- 140:3 (sip) URI is too long
- 140:4 (sip) Empty call-Id
- 140:5 (sip) Call-Id is too long
- 140:6 (sip) CSeq number is too large or negative
- 140:7 (sip) Request name in CSeq is too long
- 140:8 (sip) Empty From header
- 140:9 (sip) From header is too long
- 140:10 (sip) Empty To header
- 140:11 (sip) To header is too long
- **140:12** (sip) Empty Via header
- 140:13 (sip) Via header is too long
- 140:14 (sip) Empty Contact
- 140:15 (sip) Contact is too long
- 140:16 (sip) Content length is too large or negative
- 140:17 (sip) Multiple SIP messages in a packet

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- 140:18 (sip) Content length mismatch
- 140:19 (sip) Request name is invalid
- 140:20 (sip) Invite replay attack
- 140:21 (sip) Illegal session information modification
- 140:22 (sip) Response status code is not a 3 digit number
- 140:23 (sip) Empty Content-type header
- 140:24 (sip) SIP version is invalid
- 140:25 (sip) Mismatch in METHOD of request and the CSEQ header
- 140:26 (sip) Method is unknown
- 140:27 (sip) Maximum dialogs within a session reached

## Peg counts:

• sip.packets: total packets

• sip.sessions: total sessions

• sip.events: events generated

• sip.dialogs: total dialogs

• sip.ignored channels: total channels ignored

• sip.ignored sessions: total sessions ignored

• sip.total requests: total requests

• sip.invite: invite

• sip.cancel: cancel

• sip.ack: ack

• sip.bye: bye

• sip.register: register

• sip.options: options

• sip.refer: refer

• sip.subscribe: subscribe

• sip.update: update

• sip.join: join

• sip.info: info

• sip.message: message

• sip.notify: notify

• sip.prack: prack

• sip.total responses: total responses

• sip.1xx: 1xx

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• sip.2xx: 2xx

• sip.3xx: 3xx

• sip.4xx: 4xx

• sip.5xx: 5xx

• **sip.6xx**: 6xx

• sip.7xx: 7xx

• sip.8xx: 8xx

• **sip.9xx**: 9xx

# 5.27 smtp

What: smtp inspection

Type: inspector Configuration:

- string smtp.alt\_max\_command\_line\_len[].command: command string
- int smtp.alt\_max\_command\_line\_len[].length = 0: specify non-default maximum for command { 0: }
- string **smtp.auth\_cmds**: commands that initiate an authentication exchange
- string smtp.binary\_data\_cmds: commands that initiate sending of data and use a length value after the command
- int smtp.bitenc\_decode\_depth = 25: depth used to extract the non-encoded MIME attachments { -1:65535 }
- int smtp.b64 decode depth = 25: depth used to decode the base64 encoded MIME attachments { -1:65535 }
- string smtp.data\_cmds: commands that initiate sending of data with an end of data delimiter
- int **smtp.email\_hdrs\_log\_depth** = 1464: depth for logging email headers { 0:20480 }
- bool **smtp.ignore\_data** = false: ignore data section of mail
- bool **smtp.ignore\_tls\_data** = false: ignore TLS-encrypted data when processing rules
- string smtp.invalid\_cmds: alert if this command is sent from client side
- bool smtp.log\_email\_hdrs = false: log the SMTP email headers extracted from SMTP data
- bool **smtp.log\_filename** = false: log the MIME attachment filenames extracted from the Content-Disposition header within the MIME body
- bool smtp.log\_mailfrom = false: log the sender's email address extracted from the MAIL FROM command
- bool smtp.log\_rcptto = false: log the recipient's email address extracted from the RCPT TO command
- int smtp.max\_auth\_command\_line\_len = 1000: max auth command Line Length { 0:65535 }
- int smtp.max\_command\_line\_len = 0: max Command Line Length { 0:65535 }
- int smtp.max\_header\_line\_len = 0: max SMTP DATA header line { 0:65535 }
- int smtp.max\_response\_line\_len = 0: max SMTP response line { 0:65535 }
- enum **smtp.normalize** = none: turns on/off normalization { none | cmds | all }
- string **smtp.normalize\_cmds**: list of commands to normalize

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- int **smtp.qp\_decode\_depth** = 25: quoted-Printable decoding depth { -1:65535 }
- int smtp.uu\_decode\_depth = 25: unix-to-Unix decoding depth { -1:65535 }
- · string smtp.valid\_cmds: list of valid commands
- enum **smtp.xlink2state** = alert: enable/disable xlink2state alert { disable | alert | drop }

#### Rules:

- 124:1 (smtp) Attempted command buffer overflow
- 124:2 (smtp) Attempted data header buffer overflow
- 124:3 (smtp) Attempted response buffer overflow
- 124:4 (smtp) Attempted specific command buffer overflow
- 124:5 (smtp) Unknown command
- 124:6 (smtp) Illegal command
- 124:7 (smtp) Attempted header name buffer overflow
- 124:8 (smtp) Attempted X-Link2State command buffer overflow
- 124:10 (smtp) Base64 Decoding failed
- 124:11 (smtp) Quoted-Printable Decoding failed
- 124:13 (smtp) Unix-to-Unix Decoding failed
- 124:14 (smtp) Cyrus SASL authentication attack
- 124:15 (smtp) Attempted authentication command buffer overflow

- smtp.packets: total packets processed
- smtp.sessions: total smtp sessions
- smtp.concurrent sessions: total concurrent smtp sessions
- smtp.max concurrent sessions: maximum concurrent smtp sessions
- smtp.b64 attachments: total base64 attachments decoded
- smtp.b64 decoded bytes: total base64 decoded bytes
- smtp.qp attachments: total quoted-printable attachments decoded
- smtp.qp decoded bytes: total quoted-printable decoded bytes
- smtp.uu attachments: total uu attachments decoded
- smtp.uu decoded bytes: total uu decoded bytes
- smtp.non-encoded attachments: total non-encoded attachments extracted
- smtp.non-encoded bytes: total non-encoded extracted bytes

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#### 5.28 ssh

What: ssh inspection

Type: inspector Configuration:

- int ssh.max\_encrypted\_packets = 25: ignore session after this many encrypted packets { 0:65535 }
- int **ssh.max\_client\_bytes** = 19600: number of unanswered bytes before alerting on challenge-response overflow or CRC32 { 0:65535 }
- int ssh.max\_server\_version\_len = 80: limit before alerting on secure CRT server version string overflow { 0:255 }

#### Rules:

- 128:1 (ssh) Challenge-Response Overflow exploit
- 128:2 (ssh) SSH1 CRC32 exploit
- 128:3 (ssh) Server version string overflow
- 128:5 (ssh) Bad message direction
- 128:6 (ssh) Payload size incorrect for the given payload
- 128:7 (ssh) Failed to detect SSH version string

#### Peg counts:

• ssh.packets: total packets

# 5.29 ssl

What: ssl inspection

Type: inspector

Configuration:

- bool ssl.trust\_servers = false: disables requirement that application (encrypted) data must be observed on both sides
- int ssl.max\_heartbeat\_length = 0: maximum length of heartbeat record allowed { 0:65535 }

#### Rules:

- 137:1 (ssl) Invalid Client HELLO after Server HELLO Detected
- 137:2 (ssl) Invalid Server HELLO without Client HELLO Detected
- 137:3 (ssl) Heartbeat Read Overrun Attempt Detected
- 137:4 (ssl) Large Heartbeat Response Detected

# Peg counts:

• ssl.packets: total packets processed

• ssl.decoded: ssl packets decoded

• ssl.client hello: total client hellos

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• ssl.server hello: total server hellos

• ssl.certificate: total ssl certificates

• ssl.server done: total server done

• ssl.client key exchange: total client key exchanges

• ssl.server key exchange: total server key exchanges

• ssl.change cipher: total change cipher records

· ssl.finished: total handshakes finished

• ssl.client application: total client application records

• ssl.server application: total server application records

• ssl.alert: total ssl alert records

• ssl.unrecognized records: total unrecognized records

• ssl.handshakes completed: total completed ssl handshakes

· ssl.bad handshakes: total bad handshakes

• ssl.sessions ignored: total sessions ignore

• ssl.detection disabled: total detection disabled

#### 5.30 stream

What: common flow tracking

Type: inspector Configuration:

- bool **stream.ip\_frags\_only** = false: don't process non-frag flows
- int stream.ip\_cache.max\_sessions = 16384: maximum simultaneous sessions tracked before pruning { 2: }
- int stream.ip\_cache.pruning\_timeout = 30: minimum inactive time before being eligible for pruning { 1: }
- int stream.ip\_cache.idle\_timeout = 180: maximum inactive time before retiring session tracker { 1: }
- int stream.icmp\_cache.max\_sessions = 65536: maximum simultaneous sessions tracked before pruning { 2: }
- int **stream.icmp\_cache.pruning\_timeout** = 30: minimum inactive time before being eligible for pruning { 1: }
- int stream.icmp\_cache.idle\_timeout = 180: maximum inactive time before retiring session tracker { 1: }
- int stream.tcp cache.max sessions = 262144: maximum simultaneous sessions tracked before pruning { 2: }
- int **stream.tcp\_cache.pruning\_timeout** = 30: minimum inactive time before being eligible for pruning { 1: }
- int **stream.tcp\_cache.idle\_timeout** = 180: maximum inactive time before retiring session tracker { 1: }
- int stream.udp\_cache.max\_sessions = 131072: maximum simultaneous sessions tracked before pruning { 2: }
- int **stream.udp\_cache.pruning\_timeout** = 30: minimum inactive time before being eligible for pruning { 1: }
- int **stream.udp\_cache.idle\_timeout** = 180: maximum inactive time before retiring session tracker { 1: }
- int stream.user\_cache.max\_sessions = 1024: maximum simultaneous sessions tracked before pruning { 2: }
- int **stream.user\_cache.pruning\_timeout** = 30: minimum inactive time before being eligible for pruning { 1: }

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- int stream.user cache.idle timeout = 180: maximum inactive time before retiring session tracker { 1: }
- int stream.file\_cache.max\_sessions = 128: maximum simultaneous sessions tracked before pruning { 2: }
- int stream.file\_cache.pruning\_timeout = 30: minimum inactive time before being eligible for pruning { 1: }
- int stream.file\_cache.idle\_timeout = 180: maximum inactive time before retiring session tracker { 1: }

- stream.ip flows: total ip sessions
- stream.ip total prunes: total ip sessions pruned
- stream.ip idle prunes: ip sessions pruned due to timeout
- stream.ip excess prunes: ip sessions pruned due to excess
- stream.ip uni prunes: ip uni sessions pruned
- stream.ip preemptive prunes: ip sessions pruned during preemptive pruning
- stream.ip memcap prunes: ip sessions pruned due to memcap
- stream.ip ha prunes: ip sessions pruned by high availability sync
- stream.icmp flows: total icmp sessions
- stream.icmp total prunes: total icmp sessions pruned
- stream.icmp idle prunes: icmp sessions pruned due to timeout
- stream.icmp excess prunes: icmp sessions pruned due to excess
- stream.icmp uni prunes: icmp uni sessions pruned
- stream.icmp preemptive prunes: icmp sessions pruned during preemptive pruning
- stream.icmp memcap prunes: icmp sessions pruned due to memcap
- stream.icmp ha prunes: icmp sessions pruned by high availability sync
- stream.tcp flows: total tcp sessions
- stream.tcp total prunes: total tcp sessions pruned
- stream.tcp idle prunes: tcp sessions pruned due to timeout
- stream.tcp excess prunes: tcp sessions pruned due to excess
- stream.tcp uni prunes: tcp uni sessions pruned
- stream.tcp preemptive prunes: tcp sessions pruned during preemptive pruning
- stream.tcp memcap prunes: tcp sessions pruned due to memcap
- stream.tcp ha prunes: tcp sessions pruned by high availability sync
- stream.udp flows: total udp sessions
- stream.udp total prunes: total udp sessions pruned
- stream.udp idle prunes: udp sessions pruned due to timeout
- stream.udp excess prunes: udp sessions pruned due to excess
- stream.udp uni prunes: udp uni sessions pruned

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- stream.udp preemptive prunes: udp sessions pruned during preemptive pruning
- stream.udp memcap prunes: udp sessions pruned due to memcap
- stream.udp ha prunes: udp sessions pruned by high availability sync
- stream.user flows: total user sessions
- stream.user total prunes: total user sessions pruned
- stream.user idle prunes: user sessions pruned due to timeout
- stream.user excess prunes: user sessions pruned due to excess
- stream.user uni prunes: user uni sessions pruned
- stream.user preemptive prunes: user sessions pruned during preemptive pruning
- stream.user memcap prunes: user sessions pruned due to memcap
- stream.user ha prunes: user sessions pruned by high availability sync
- stream.file flows: total file sessions
- stream.file total prunes: total file sessions pruned
- stream.file idle prunes: file sessions pruned due to timeout
- stream.file excess prunes: file sessions pruned due to excess
- stream.file uni prunes: file uni sessions pruned
- stream.file preemptive prunes: file sessions pruned during preemptive pruning
- stream.file memcap prunes: file sessions pruned due to memcap
- stream.file ha prunes: file sessions pruned by high availability sync

# 5.31 stream\_file

What: stream inspector for file flow tracking and processing

Type: inspector Configuration:

• bool **stream\_file.upload** = false: indicate file transfer direction

#### 5.32 stream\_icmp

What: stream inspector for ICMP flow tracking

Type: inspector Configuration:

• int **stream\_icmp.session\_timeout** = 30: session tracking timeout { 1:86400 }

- stream icmp.sessions: total icmp sessions
- stream\_icmp.max: max icmp sessions
- stream\_icmp.created: icmp session trackers created
- stream\_icmp.released: icmp session trackers released
- stream\_icmp.timeouts: icmp session timeouts
- stream\_icmp.prunes: icmp session prunes

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### 5.33 stream\_ip

What: stream inspector for IP flow tracking and defragmentation

Type: inspector Configuration:

- int **stream\_ip.max\_frags** = 8192: maximum number of simultaneous fragments being tracked { 1: }
- int **stream\_ip.max\_overlaps** = 0: maximum allowed overlaps per datagram; 0 is unlimited { 0: }
- int **stream\_ip.min\_frag\_length** = 0: alert if fragment length is below this limit before or after trimming { 0: }
- int **stream\_ip.min\_ttl** = 1: discard fragments with ttl below the minimum { 1:255 }
- enum stream\_ip.policy = linux: fragment reassembly policy { first | linux | bsd | bsd\_right | last | windows | solaris }
- int **stream\_ip.session\_timeout** = 30: session tracking timeout { 1:86400 }
- int stream\_ip.trace: mask for enabling debug traces in module

#### Rules:

- 123:1 (stream\_ip) inconsistent IP options on fragmented packets
- 123:2 (stream\_ip) teardrop attack
- 123:3 (stream\_ip) short fragment, possible DOS attempt
- 123:4 (stream\_ip) fragment packet ends after defragmented packet
- 123:5 (stream\_ip) zero-byte fragment packet
- 123:6 (stream\_ip) bad fragment size, packet size is negative
- 123:7 (stream\_ip) bad fragment size, packet size is greater than 65536
- 123:8 (stream\_ip) fragmentation overlap
- 123:11 (stream\_ip) TTL value less than configured minimum, not using for reassembly
- 123:12 (stream\_ip) excessive fragment overlap
- 123:13 (stream\_ip) tiny fragment

- stream\_ip.sessions: total ip sessions
- stream\_ip.max: max ip sessions
- stream\_ip.created: ip session trackers created
- stream\_ip.released: ip session trackers released
- stream\_ip.timeouts: ip session timeouts
- stream\_ip.prunes: ip session prunes
- stream\_ip.total frags: total fragments
- stream\_ip.current frags: current fragments
- stream\_ip.max frags: max fragments

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- stream\_ip.reassembled: reassembled datagrams
- stream\_ip.discards: fragments discarded
- stream\_ip.frag timeouts: datagrams abandoned
- stream\_ip.overlaps: overlapping fragments
- stream\_ip.anomalies: anomalies detected
- stream\_ip.alerts: alerts generated
- stream\_ip.drops: fragments dropped
- stream\_ip.trackers added: datagram trackers created
- stream\_ip.trackers freed: datagram trackers released
- stream\_ip.trackers cleared: datagram trackers cleared
- stream\_ip.trackers completed: datagram trackers completed
- · stream\_ip.nodes inserted: fragments added to tracker
- stream ip.nodes deleted: fragments deleted from tracker
- stream\_ip.memory used: current memory usage in bytes
- stream\_ip.reassembled bytes: total reassembled bytes
- stream\_ip.fragmented bytes: total fragmented bytes

#### 5.34 stream tcp

What: stream inspector for TCP flow tracking and stream normalization and reassembly

Type: inspector

Configuration:

- int stream\_tcp.flush\_factor = 0: flush upon seeing a drop in segment size after given number of non-decreasing segments {
   0: }
- bool stream\_tcp.ignore\_any\_rules = false: process tcp content rules w/o ports only if rules with ports are present
- int **stream\_tcp.max\_window** = 0: maximum allowed tcp window { 0:1073725440 }
- int stream\_tcp.overlap\_limit = 0: maximum number of allowed overlapping segments per session { 0:255 }
- int **stream\_tcp.max\_pdu** = 16384: maximum reassembled PDU size { 1460:65535 }
- enum **stream\_tcp.policy** = bsd: determines operating system characteristics like reassembly { first | last | linux | old\_linux | bsd | macos | solaris | irix | hpux11 | hpux10 | windows | win\_2003 | vista | proxy }
- bool **stream\_tcp.reassemble\_async** = true: queue data for reassembly before traffic is seen in both directions
- int **stream\_tcp.require\_3whs** = -1: don't track midstream sessions after given seconds from start up; -1 tracks all { -1:86400 }
- bool **stream\_tcp.show\_rebuilt\_packets** = false: enable cmg like output of reassembled packets
- int stream\_tcp.queue\_limit.max\_bytes = 1048576: don't queue more than given bytes per session and direction { 0: }
- int stream\_tcp.queue\_limit.max\_segments = 2621: don't queue more than given segments per session and direction { 0: }
- int **stream\_tcp.small\_segments.count** = 0: limit number of small segments queued { 0:2048 }

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- int stream\_tcp.small\_segments.maximum\_size = 0: limit number of small segments queued { 0:2048 }
- int **stream\_tcp.session\_timeout** = 30: session tracking timeout { 1:86400 }
- int **stream\_tcp.footprint** = 0: use zero for production, non-zero for testing at given size { 0: }

#### Rules:

- 129:1 (stream\_tcp) SYN on established session
- 129:2 (stream\_tcp) data on SYN packet
- 129:3 (stream tcp) data sent on stream not accepting data
- 129:4 (stream\_tcp) TCP timestamp is outside of PAWS window
- 129:5 (stream\_tcp) bad segment, adjusted size  $\Leftarrow 0$
- 129:6 (stream\_tcp) window size (after scaling) larger than policy allows
- 129:7 (stream\_tcp) limit on number of overlapping TCP packets reached
- 129:8 (stream\_tcp) data sent on stream after TCP Reset sent
- 129:9 (stream\_tcp) TCP client possibly hijacked, different ethernet address
- 129:10 (stream\_tcp) TCP Server possibly hijacked, different ethernet address
- 129:11 (stream\_tcp) TCP data with no TCP flags set
- 129:12 (stream\_tcp) consecutive TCP small segments exceeding threshold
- 129:13 (stream tcp) 4-way handshake detected
- 129:14 (stream\_tcp) TCP timestamp is missing
- 129:15 (stream\_tcp) reset outside window
- 129:16 (stream\_tcp) FIN number is greater than prior FIN
- 129:17 (stream tcp) ACK number is greater than prior FIN
- 129:18 (stream tcp) data sent on stream after TCP Reset received
- 129:19 (stream\_tcp) TCP window closed before receiving data
- 129:20 (stream\_tcp) TCP session without 3-way handshake

- stream\_tcp.sessions: total tcp sessions
- stream\_tcp.max: max tcp sessions
- stream\_tcp.created: tcp session trackers created
- stream\_tcp.released: tcp session trackers released
- stream\_tcp.timeouts: tcp session timeouts
- stream\_tcp.prunes: tcp session prunes
- stream\_tcp.resyns: SYN received on established session
- stream\_tcp.discards: tcp packets discarded
- stream\_tcp.events: events generated

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- stream\_tcp.ignored: tcp packets ignored
- stream\_tcp.untracked: tcp packets not tracked
- stream\_tcp.syn trackers: tcp session tracking started on syn
- stream\_tcp.syn-ack trackers: tcp session tracking started on syn-ack
- stream\_tcp.3way trackers: tcp session tracking started on ack
- stream\_tcp.data trackers: tcp session tracking started on data
- stream\_tcp.segs queued: total segments queued
- stream\_tcp.segs released: total segments released
- stream\_tcp.segs split: tcp segments split when reassembling PDUs
- stream\_tcp.segs used: queued tcp segments applied to reassembled PDUs
- stream\_tcp.rebuilt packets: total reassembled PDUs
- stream\_tcp.rebuilt buffers: rebuilt PDU sections
- stream\_tcp.rebuilt bytes: total rebuilt bytes
- stream\_tcp.overlaps: overlapping segments queued
- stream\_tcp.gaps: missing data between PDUs
- stream\_tcp.max segs: number of times the maximum queued segment limit was reached
- stream\_tcp.max bytes: number of times the maximum queued byte limit was reached
- stream\_tcp.internal events: 135:X events generated
- stream\_tcp.client cleanups: number of times data from server was flushed when session released
- stream\_tcp.server cleanups: number of times data from client was flushed when session released
- stream\_tcp.memory: current memory in use
- stream\_tcp.initializing: number of sessions currently initializing
- stream\_tcp.established: number of sessions currently established
- stream\_tcp.closing: number of sessions currently closing

## 5.35 stream\_udp

What: stream inspector for UDP flow tracking

Type: inspector Configuration:

- int **stream\_udp.session\_timeout** = 30: session tracking timeout { 1:86400 }
- bool **stream\_udp.ignore\_any\_rules** = false: process udp content rules w/o ports only if rules with ports are present

- stream udp.sessions: total udp sessions
- stream\_udp.max: max udp sessions
- stream\_udp.created: udp session trackers created
- stream\_udp.released: udp session trackers released
- stream\_udp.timeouts: udp session timeouts
- stream\_udp.prunes: udp session prunes

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# 5.36 stream\_user

What: stream inspector for user flow tracking and reassembly

Type: inspector Configuration:

• int **stream\_user.session\_timeout** = 30: session tracking timeout { 1:86400 }

#### 5.37 telnet

What: telnet inspection and normalization

Type: inspector Configuration:

- int telnet.ayt\_attack\_thresh = -1: alert on this number of consecutive telnet AYT commands { -1: }
- bool **telnet.check\_encrypted** = false: check for end of encryption
- bool **telnet.encrypted\_traffic** = false: check for encrypted telnet and ftp
- bool **telnet.normalize** = false: eliminate escape sequences

Rules:

- 126:1 (telnet) consecutive telnet AYT commands beyond threshold
- 126:2 (telnet) telnet traffic encrypted
- 126:3 (telnet) telnet subnegotiation begin command without subnegotiation end

Peg counts:

• telnet.packets: total packets

### 5.38 wizard

What: inspector that implements port-independent protocol identification

Type: inspector Configuration:

- string wizard.hexes[].service: name of service
- select wizard.hexes[].proto = tcp: protocol to scan { tcp | udp }
- bool wizard.hexes[].client\_first = true: which end initiates data transfer
- string wizard.hexes[].to\_server[].hex: sequence of data with wild chars (?)
- string wizard.hexes[].to\_client[].hex: sequence of data with wild chars (?)
- string wizard.spells[].service: name of service
- select wizard.spells[].proto = tcp: protocol to scan { tcp | udp }
- bool wizard.spells[].client\_first = true: which end initiates data transfer

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- string wizard.spells[].to\_server[].spell: sequence of data with wild cards (\*)
- string wizard.spells[].to\_client[].spell: sequence of data with wild cards (\*)

Peg counts:

• wizard.tcp scans: tcp payload scans

• wizard.tcp hits: tcp identifications

• wizard.udp scans: udp payload scans

• wizard.udp hits: udp identifications

• wizard.user scans: user payload scans

• wizard.user hits: user identifications

# 6 IPS Action Modules

IPS actions allow you to perform custom actions when events are generated. Unlike loggers, these are invoked before thresholding and can be used to control external agents.

Externally defined actions must be configured to become available to the parser. For the reject rule, you can set reject = { } to get the rule to parse.

#### 6.1 react

What: send response to client and terminate session

Type: ips\_action Configuration:

- bool **react.msg** = false: use rule msg in response page instead of default message
- string **react.page**: file containing HTTP response (headers and body)

# 6.2 reject

What: terminate session with TCP reset or ICMP unreachable

Type: ips\_action Configuration:

- enum **reject.reset**: send tcp reset to one or both ends { sourceldestlboth }
- enum **reject.control**: send icmp unreachable(s) { networklhostlportlall }

#### 6.3 rewrite

What: overwrite packet contents

Type: ips\_action

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# 7 IPS Option Modules

IPS options are the building blocks of IPS rules.

### 7.1 ack

What: rule option to match on TCP ack numbers

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

• string ack.~range: check if tcp ack value is value | min<>max | <max | >min

# 7.2 appids

What: detection option for application ids

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string appids.~: appid option

# 7.3 asn1

What: rule option for asn1 detection

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- implied asn1.bitstring\_overflow: Detects invalid bitstring encodings that are known to be remotely exploitable.
- implied asn1.double\_overflow: Detects a double ASCII encoding that is larger than a standard buffer.
- implied asn1.print: dump decode data to console; always true
- int asn1.oversize\_length: Compares ASN.1 type lengths with the supplied argument. { 0: }
- int asn1.absolute\_offset: Absolute offset from the beginning of the packet. { 0: }
- int asn1.relative\_offset: relative offset from the cursor.

### 7.4 base64 decode

What: rule option to decode base64 data - must be used with base64\_data option

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

- int base64\_decode.bytes: Number of base64 encoded bytes to decode. { 1: }
- int base64\_decode.offset = 0: Bytes past start of buffer to start decoding. { 0: }
- implied base64\_decode.relative: Apply offset to cursor instead of start of buffer.

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#### 7.5 bufferlen

What: rule option to check length of current buffer

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string **bufferlen.~range**: len | min<>max | <max | >min

### 7.6 byte\_extract

What: rule option to convert data to an integer variable

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• int byte\_extract.~count: number of bytes to pick up from the buffer { 1:10 }

• int byte\_extract.~offset: number of bytes into the buffer to start processing { -65535:65535 }

• string byte\_extract.~name: name of the variable that will be used in other rule options

• implied byte\_extract.relative: offset from cursor instead of start of buffer

• int byte\_extract.multiplier = 1: scale extracted value by given amount { 1:65535 }

• int byte\_extract.align = 0: round the number of converted bytes up to the next 2- or 4-byte boundary { 0:4 }

• implied byte\_extract.big: big endian

 • implied  $byte\_extract.little$ : little endian

• implied byte\_extract.dce: dcerpc2 determines endianness

• implied byte\_extract.string: convert from string

• implied byte\_extract.hex: convert from hex string

• implied byte\_extract.oct: convert from octal string

• implied byte\_extract.dec: convert from decimal string

### 7.7 byte\_jump

What: rule option to move the detection cursor

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- int byte\_jump.~count: number of bytes to pick up from the buffer { 1:10 }
- string byte\_jump.~offset: variable name or number of bytes into the buffer to start processing
- implied byte\_jump.relative: offset from cursor instead of start of buffer
- implied byte\_jump.from\_beginning: jump from start of buffer instead of cursor
- int **byte\_jump.multiplier** = 1: scale extracted value by given amount { 1:65535 }
- int **byte\_jump.align** = 0: round the number of converted bytes up to the next 2- or 4-byte boundary { 0:4 }

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• int **byte\_jump.post\_offset** = 0: also skip forward or backwards (positive of negative value) this number of bytes { -65535:65535 }

• implied byte\_jump.big: big endian

• implied byte\_jump.little: little endian

• implied byte\_jump.dce: dcerpc2 determines endianness

• implied byte\_jump.string: convert from string

• implied byte\_jump.hex: convert from hex string

• implied byte\_jump.oct: convert from octal string

• implied byte\_jump.dec: convert from decimal string

### 7.8 byte\_test

What: rule option to convert data to integer and compare

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• int byte\_test.~count: number of bytes to pick up from the buffer { 1:10 }

• string byte\_test.~operator: variable name or number of bytes into the buffer to start processing

• string byte\_test.~compare: variable name or value to test the converted result against

• string byte\_test.~offset: variable name or number of bytes into the payload to start processing

• implied byte\_test.relative: offset from cursor instead of start of buffer

• implied byte\_test.big: big endian

• implied byte\_test.little: little endian

• implied byte\_test.dce: dcerpc2 determines endianness

• implied byte\_test.string: convert from string

• implied byte\_test.hex: convert from hex string

• implied byte\_test.oct: convert from octal string

• implied byte\_test.dec: convert from decimal string

# 7.9 classtype

What: general rule option for rule classification

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string **classtype.~**: classification for this rule

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#### 7.10 content

What: payload rule option for basic pattern matching

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- string content.~data: data to match
- implied content.nocase: case insensitive match
- implied content.fast\_pattern: use this content in the fast pattern matcher instead of the content selected by default
- int **content.fast\_pattern\_offset** = 0: number of leading characters of this content the fast pattern matcher should exclude { 0: }
- int content.fast\_pattern\_length: maximum number of characters from this content the fast pattern matcher should use { 1: }
- string content.offset: var or number of bytes from start of buffer to start search
- string content.depth: var or maximum number of bytes to search from beginning of buffer
- string content.distance: var or number of bytes from cursor to start search
- string content.within: var or maximum number of bytes to search from cursor

### 7.11 cvs

What: payload rule option for detecting specific attacks

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

• implied cvs.invalid-entry: looks for an invalid Entry string

### 7.12 dce iface

What: detection option to check dcerpc interface

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

- string dce\_iface.uuid: match given dcerpc uuid
- string dce\_iface.version: interface version
- implied dce\_iface.any\_frag: match on any fragment

# 7.13 dce\_opnum

What: detection option to check dcerpc operation number

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string dce\_opnum.~: match given dcerpc operation number, range or list

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# 7.14 dce\_stub\_data

What: sets the cursor to dcerpc stub data

Type: ips\_option

# 7.15 detection\_filter

What: rule option to require multiple hits before a rule generates an event

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

- enum **detection\_filter.track**: track hits by source or destination IP address { by\_src | by\_dst }
- int **detection\_filter.count**: hits in interval before allowing the rule to fire { 1: }
- int **detection\_filter.seconds**: length of interval to count hits { 1: }

# 7.16 dnp3\_data

What: sets the cursor to dnp3 data

Type: ips\_option

# 7.17 dnp3\_func

What: detection option to check dnp3 function code

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string dnp3\_func.~: match dnp3 function code or name

# 7.18 dnp3\_ind

What: detection option to check dnp3 indicator flags

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

• string **dnp3\_ind.~**: match given dnp3 indicator flags

# 7.19 dnp3\_obj

What: detection option to check dnp3 object headers

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

- int **dnp3\_obj.group** = 0: match given dnp3 object header group { 0:255 }
- int **dnp3\_obj.var** = 0: match given dnp3 object header var { 0:255 }

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#### 7.20 dsize

What: rule option to test payload size

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string **dsize.~range**: check if packet payload size is *size* | *min*<>*max* | <*max* | >*min* 

#### 7.21 file data

What: rule option to set detection cursor to file data

Type: ips\_option

# 7.22 file\_type

What: rule option to check file type

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string file\_type.~: list of file type IDs to match

# **7.23** flags

What: rule option to test TCP control flags

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string flags.~test\_flags: these flags are tested

• string flags.~mask\_flags: these flags are don't cares

#### 7.24 flow

What: rule option to check session properties

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- implied flow.to\_client: match on server responses
- implied flow.to\_server: match on client requests
- implied flow.from\_client: same as to\_server
- implied flow.from\_server: same as to\_client
- implied flow.established: match only during data transfer phase
- implied **flow.not\_established**: match only outside data transfer phase
- implied flow.stateless: match regardless of stream state
- implied flow.no\_stream: match on raw packets only
- implied flow.only\_stream: match on reassembled packets only
- implied flow.no\_frag: match on raw packets only
- implied flow.only\_frag: match on defragmented packets only

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### 7.25 flowbits

What: rule option to set and test arbitrary boolean flags

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string flowbits.~command: setlresetlissetletc.

• string flowbits.~arg1: bits or group

• string flowbits.~arg2: group if arg1 is bits

# 7.26 fragbits

What: rule option to test IP frag flags

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string fragbits.~flags: these flags are tested

# 7.27 fragoffset

What: rule option to test IP frag offset

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string **fragoffset.~range**: check if ip fragment offset value is *value* | *min*<>*max* | <*max* | >*min* 

# 7.28 gid

What: rule option specifying rule generator

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• int **gid.~**: generator id { 1: }

# 7.29 gtp\_info

What: rule option to check gtp info element

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string **gtp\_info.~**: info element to match

# 7.30 gtp\_type

What: rule option to check gtp types

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string **gtp\_type.~**: list of types to match

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### 7.31 gtp\_version

What: rule option to check gtp version

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• int **gtp\_version.~**: version to match { 0:2 }

# 7.32 http\_client\_body

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the request body

Type: ips\_option

### 7.33 http\_cookie

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the HTTP cookie

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- implied http\_cookie.request: Match against the cookie from the request message even when examining the response
- implied http\_cookie.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_cookie.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers

# 7.34 http\_header

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the normalized headers

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- string http\_header.field: Restrict to given header. Header name is case insensitive.
- implied http\_header.request: Match against the headers from the request message even when examining the response
- implied http\_header.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_header.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers

#### 7.35 http method

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the HTTP request method

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

- implied http\_method.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_method.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers

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### 7.36 http\_raw\_cookie

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized cookie

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• implied http\_raw\_cookie.request: Match against the cookie from the request message even when examining the response

- implied http\_raw\_cookie.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_raw\_cookie.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers

### 7.37 http\_raw\_header

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized headers

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- implied http\_raw\_header.request: Match against the headers from the request message even when examining the response
- implied http\_raw\_header.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_raw\_header.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers

## 7.38 http raw request

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized request line

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- implied http\_raw\_request.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_raw\_request.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers

## 7.39 http\_raw\_status

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized status line

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- implied http\_raw\_status.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_raw\_status.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers

#### 7.40 http raw trailer

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized trailers

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- implied http\_raw\_trailer.request: Match against the trailers from the request message even when examining the response
- implied http\_raw\_trailer.with\_header: Parts of this rule examine HTTP response message headers (must be combined with request)
- implied http\_raw\_trailer.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP response message body (must be combined with request)

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### 7.41 http\_raw\_uri

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized URI

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- implied http\_raw\_uri.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_raw\_uri.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers
- implied http\_raw\_uri.scheme: match against scheme section of URI only
- implied http\_raw\_uri.host: match against host section of URI only
- implied http\_raw\_uri.port: match against port section of URI only
- implied http\_raw\_uri.path: match against path section of URI only
- implied http\_raw\_uri.query: match against query section of URI only
- implied http\_raw\_uri.fragment: match against fragment section of URI only

## 7.42 http\_stat\_code

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the HTTP status code

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- implied http\_stat\_code.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_stat\_code.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers

### 7.43 http\_stat\_msg

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the HTTP status message

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- implied http\_stat\_msg.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_stat\_msg.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers

# 7.44 http\_trailer

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the normalized trailers

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- string http\_trailer.field: restrict to given trailer
- implied http\_trailer.request: Match against the trailers from the request message even when examining the response
- implied http\_trailer.with\_header: Parts of this rule examine HTTP response message headers (must be combined with request)
- implied http\_trailer.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body (must be combined with request)

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### 7.45 http\_uri

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the normalized URI buffer

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- implied http\_uri.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_uri.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers
- implied http\_uri.scheme: match against scheme section of URI only
- implied http\_uri.host: match against host section of URI only
- implied http\_uri.port: match against port section of URI only
- implied http\_uri.path: match against path section of URI only
- implied http\_uri.query: match against query section of URI only
- implied http\_uri.fragment: match against fragment section of URI only

# 7.46 http\_version

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the version buffer

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- implied http\_version.request: Match against the version from the request message even when examining the response
- implied http\_version.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_version.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers

## 7.47 icmp\_id

What: rule option to check ICMP ID

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string icmp\_id.~range: check if icmp id is id | min<>max | <max | >min

## 7.48 icmp\_seq

What: rule option to check ICMP sequence number

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

• string icmp\_seq.~range: check if icmp sequence number is seq | min<>max | <max | >min

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### 7.49 icode

What: rule option to check ICMP code

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

• string **icode.~range**: check if ICMP code is *code* | *min<>max* | *<max* | *>min* 

#### 7.50 id

What: rule option to check the IP ID field

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

• string id.~range: check if the IP ID is id | min<>max | <max | >min

# 7.51 ip\_proto

What: rule option to check the IP protocol number

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string **ip\_proto.~proto**: [!|>|<] name or number

# 7.52 ipopts

What: rule option to check for IP options

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• select **ipopts.~opt**: output format { rrleollnoplts|sec|esec|lsrr|lsrre|ssrr|satid|any }

## 7.53 isdataat

What: rule option to check for the presence of payload data

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- string isdataat.~length: num | !num
- implied isdataat.relative: offset from cursor instead of start of buffer

# 7.54 itype

What: rule option to check ICMP type

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string **itype.~range**: check if icmp type is *type* | *min*<>*max* | <*max* | >*min* 

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### 7.55 md5

What: payload rule option for hash matching

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string md5.~hash: data to match

• int **md5.length**: number of octets in plain text { 1:65535 }

• string md5.offset: var or number of bytes from start of buffer to start search

• implied **md5.relative** = false: offset from cursor instead of start of buffer

#### 7.56 metadata

What: rule option for conveying arbitrary name, value data within the rule text

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string metadata.service: service name

• string metadata.\*: additional parameters not used by snort

# 7.57 modbus\_data

What: rule option to set cursor to modbus data

Type: ips\_option

### 7.58 modbus\_func

What: rule option to check modbus function code

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string modbus\_func.~: function code to match

# 7.59 modbus\_unit

What: rule option to check modbus unit ID

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• int modbus\_unit.~: modbus unit ID { 0:255 }

## 7.60 msg

What: rule option summarizing rule purpose output with events

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string msg.~: message describing rule

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## 7.61 pcre

What: rule option for matching payload data with pcre

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string pcre.~re: Snort regular expression

# 7.62 pkt\_data

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the normalized packet data

Type: ips\_option

## 7.63 priority

What: rule option for prioritizing events

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• int **priority.~**: relative severity level; 1 is highest priority { 1: }

## 7.64 raw data

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the raw packet data

Type: ips\_option

## 7.65 reference

What: rule option to indicate relevant attack identification system

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string reference.~scheme: reference scheme

• string reference.~id: reference id

# **7.66** regex

What: rule option for matching payload data with hyperscan regex

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- string regex.~re: hyperscan regular expression
- implied regex.nocase: case insensitive match
- implied regex.dotall: matching a . will not exclude newlines
- implied **regex.multiline**: ^ and \$ anchors match any newlines in data
- implied regex.relative: start search from end of last match instead of start of buffer

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#### 7.67 rem

What: rule option to convey an arbitrary comment in the rule body

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string rem.~: comment

# 7.68 replace

What: rule option to overwrite payload data; use with rewrite action

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string replace.~: byte code to replace with

### 7.69 rev

What: rule option to indicate current revision of signature

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• int **rev.~**: revision { 1: }

# 7.70 rpc

What: rule option to check SUNRPC CALL parameters

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- int rpc.~app: application number
- int **rpc.ver**: version number or \* for any
- int **rpc.proc**: procedure number or \* for any

### 7.71 sd\_pattern

What: rule option for detecting sensitive data

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- string sd\_pattern.~pattern: The pattern to search for
- int sd\_pattern.threshold: number of matches before alerting { 1 }

- sd\_pattern.below threshold: sd\_pattern matched but missed threshold
- sd\_pattern.pattern not found: sd\_pattern did not not match
- sd\_pattern.terminated: hyperscan terminated

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#### 7.72 seq

What: rule option to check TCP sequence number

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string seq.~range: check if tcp sequence number value is value | min<>max | <max | >min

### 7.73 session

What: rule option to check user data from TCP sessions

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• enum **session.~mode**: output format { printable|binary|all }

#### 7.74 sha256

What: payload rule option for hash matching

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- string sha256.~hash: data to match
- int sha256.length: number of octets in plain text { 1:65535 }
- string sha256.offset: var or number of bytes from start of buffer to start search
- implied sha256.relative = false: offset from cursor instead of start of buffer

## 7.75 sha512

What: payload rule option for hash matching

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

- string sha512.~hash: data to match
- int sha512.length: number of octets in plain text { 1:65535 }
- string sha512.offset: var or number of bytes from start of buffer to start search
- implied **sha512.relative** = false: offset from cursor instead of start of buffer

#### 7.76 sid

What: rule option to indicate signature number

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• int sid.~: signature id { 1: }

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# 7.77 sip\_body

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the request body

Type: ips\_option

# 7.78 sip\_header

What: rule option to set the detection cursor to the SIP header buffer

Type: ips\_option

# 7.79 sip\_method

What: detection option for sip stat code

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

• string sip\_method.\*method: sip method

# 7.80 sip\_stat\_code

What: detection option for sip stat code

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

• int sip\_stat\_code.\*code: stat code { 1:999 }

# 7.81 so

What: rule option to call custom eval function

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

• string so.~func: name of eval function

## 7.82 soid

What: rule option to specify a shared object rule ID

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

• string soid.~: SO rule ID has <gid>|<sid> format, like 3|12345

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#### 7.83 ssl state

What: detection option for ssl state

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- implied ssl\_state.client\_hello: check for client hello
- implied ssl\_state.server\_hello: check for server hello
- implied ssl\_state.client\_keyx: check for client keyx
- implied ssl\_state.server\_keyx: check for server keyx
- implied ssl\_state.unknown: check for unknown record
- implied ssl\_state.!client\_hello: check for records that are not client hello
- implied ssl\_state.!server\_hello: check for records that are not server hello
- implied ssl\_state.!client\_keyx: check for records that are not client keyx
- implied ssl\_state.!server\_keyx: check for records that are not server keyx
- implied ssl\_state.!unknown: check for records that are not unknown

### 7.84 ssl version

What: detection option for ssl version

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- implied ssl\_version.sslv2: check for sslv2
- implied ssl\_version.sslv3: check for sslv3
- implied ssl\_version.tls1.0: check for tls1.0
- implied ssl\_version.tls1.1: check for tls1.1
- implied ssl\_version.tls1.2: check for tls1.2
- implied ssl\_version.!sslv2: check for records that are not sslv2
- implied ssl\_version.!sslv3: check for records that are not sslv3
- implied ssl\_version.!tls1.0: check for records that are not tls1.0
- implied ssl\_version.!tls1.1: check for records that are not tls1.1
- implied ssl\_version.!tls1.2: check for records that are not tls1.2

#### 7.85 stream reassemble

What: detection option for stream reassembly control

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

- enum **stream\_reassemble.action**: stop or start stream reassembly { disablelenable }
- enum **stream\_reassemble.direction**: action applies to the given direction(s) { client/server/both }
- implied **stream\_reassemble.noalert**: don't alert when rule matches
- implied **stream\_reassemble.fastpath**: optionally whitelist the remainder of the session

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# 7.86 stream\_size

What: detection option for stream size checking

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

• string stream\_size.~range: size for comparison

• enum **stream\_size.~direction**: compare applies to the given direction(s) { eitherIto\_serverIto\_clientIboth }

## 7.87 tag

What: rule option to log additional packets

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

- enum tag.~: log all packets in session or all packets to or from host { sessionlhost\_srclhost\_dst }
- int tag.packets: tag this many packets { 1: }
- int tag.seconds: tag for this many seconds { 1: }
- int tag.bytes: tag for this many bytes { 1: }

#### 7.88 tos

What: rule option to check type of service field

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

• string tos.~range: check if ip tos value is value | min<>max | <max | >min

# 7.89 ttl

What: rule option to check time to live field

Type: ips\_option Configuration:

• string **ttl.~range**: check if ip ttl field value is *value* | *min*<>*max* | <*max* | >*min* 

#### 7.90 window

What: rule option to check TCP window field

Type: ips\_option
Configuration:

• string window.~range: check if tcp window field size is size | min<>max | <max | >min

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# 8 Search Engine Modules

Search engines perform multipattern searching of packets and payload to find rules that should be evaluated. There are currently no specific modules, although there are several search engine plugins. Related configuration is done with the basic detection module.

## 9 SO Rule Modules

SO rules are dynamic rules that require custom coding to perform detection not possible with the existing rule options. These rules typically do not have associated modules.

# 10 Logger Modules

All output of events and packets is done by Loggers.

## 10.1 alert\_csv

What: output event in csv format

Type: logger Configuration:

- bool alert\_csv.file = false: output to alert\_csv.txt instead of stdout
- multi alert\_csv.fields = timestamp pkt\_num proto pkt\_gen dgm\_len dir src\_ap dst\_ap rule action: selected fields will be output in given order left to right { action | dir | dgm\_len | dst\_addr | dst\_ap | dst\_port | eth\_dst | eth\_len | eth\_src | eth\_type | gid | icmp\_code | icmp\_id | icmp\_seq | icmp\_type | iface | ip\_id | ip\_len | msg | pkt\_gen | pkt\_num | proto | rev | rule | sid | src\_addr | src\_ap | src\_port | tcp\_ack | tcp\_flags | tcp\_len | tcp\_seq | tcp\_win | timestamp | tos | ttl | udp\_len }
- int alert\_csv.limit = 0: set limit (0 is unlimited) { 0: }
- string **alert\_csv.separator** = , : separate fields with this character sequence
- enum alert\_csv.units = B: bytes | KB | MB | GB { B | K | M | G }

### 10.2 alert\_fast

What: output event with brief text format

Type: logger Configuration:

- bool **alert\_fast.file** = false: output to alert\_fast.txt instead of stdout
- bool **alert\_fast.packet** = false: output packet dump with alert
- int alert\_fast.limit = 0: set limit (0 is unlimited) { 0: }
- enum alert\_fast.units = B: bytes | KB | MB | GB { B | K | M | G }

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### 10.3 alert\_full

What: output event with full packet dump

Type: logger Configuration:

• bool alert\_full.file = false: output to alert\_full.txt instead of stdout

• int alert\_full.limit = 0: set limit (0 is unlimited) { 0: }

• enum **alert\_full.units** = B: limit is in bytes | KB | MB | GB { B | K | M | G }

## 10.4 alert\_sfsocket

What: output event over socket

Type: logger Configuration:

- string alert\_sfsocket.file: name of unix socket file
- int alert\_sfsocket.rules[].gid = 1: rule generator ID { 1: }
- int alert\_sfsocket.rules[].sid = 1: rule signature ID { 1: }

### 10.5 alert\_syslog

What: output event to syslog

Type: logger Configuration:

- enum **alert\_syslog.facility** = auth: part of priority applied to each message { auth | authpriv | daemon | user | local0 | local1 | local2 | local3 | local4 | local5 | local6 | local7 }
- enum **alert\_syslog.level** = info: part of priority applied to each message { emerg | alert | crit | err | warning | notice | info | debug }
- multi alert\_syslog.options: used to open the syslog connection { cons | ndelay | perror | pid }

# 10.6 log\_codecs

What: log protocols in packet by layer

Type: logger Configuration:

- bool **log\_codecs.file** = false: output to log\_codecs.txt instead of stdout
- bool **log\_codecs.msg** = false: include alert msg

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## 10.7 log\_hext

What: output payload suitable for daq hext

Type: logger Configuration:

• bool log\_hext.file = false: output to log\_hext.txt instead of stdout

• bool log\_hext.raw = false: output all full packets if true, else just TCP payload

• int **log\_hext.limit** = 0: set limit (0 is unlimited) { 0: }

• enum  $log_hext.units = B$ : bytes | KB | MB | GB { B | K | M | G }

• int **log\_hext.width** = 20: set line width (0 is unlimited) { 0: }

## 10.8 log\_pcap

What: log packet in pcap format

Type: logger Configuration:

• int log\_pcap.limit = 0: set limit (0 is unlimited) { 0: }

• enum log\_pcap.units = B: bytes | KB | MB | GB { B | K | M | G }

### 10.9 unified2

What: output event and packet in unified2 format file

Type: logger Configuration:

- int **unified2.limit** = 0: set limit (0 is unlimited) { 0: }
- enum **unified2.units** = B: limit multiplier { B | K | M | G }
- bool **unified2.nostamp** = true: append file creation time to name (in Unix Epoch format)
- bool unified2.mpls\_event\_types = false: include mpls labels in events
- bool unified2.vlan\_event\_types = false: include vlan IDs in events

# 11 DAQ Modules

The Data AcQuisition library (DAQ), provides pluggable packet I/O. The DAQ replaces direct calls to libraries like libpcap with an abstraction layer that facilitates operation on a variety of hardware and software interfaces without requiring changes to Snort. It is possible to select the DAQ type and mode when invoking Snort to perform pcap readback or inline operation, etc. The DAQ library may be useful for other packet processing applications and the modular nature allows you to build new modules for other platforms.

The DAQ library is provided as an external package on snort.org. There are a few additional modules provided with Snort++. This section summarizes the important things you need to know to use these DAQ modules. There are also 3rd DAQ modules available.

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## 11.1 Building the DAQ Library and DAQ Modules

The DAQ is bundled with Snort but must be built first using these steps:

```
./configure
make
sudo make install
```

This will build and install both static and dynamic DAQ modules.

Note that pcap  $\geq$  1.0.0 is required, pcap 1.1.1 is available at the time of this writing and is recommended.

Also, libdnet is required for IPQ and NFQ DAQs. If you get a relocation error trying to build those DAQs, you may need to reinstall libdnet and configure it with something like this:

```
./configure "CFLAGS=-fPIC -g -O2"
```

You may also experience problems trying to find the dynamic dnet library because it isn't always named properly. Try creating a link to the shared library (identified by its .x or .x.y etc. extension) with the same name but with ".so" inserted as follows:

```
$ ln -s libdnet.1.1 libdnet.so.1.1
$ ldconfig -Rv /usr/local/lib 2>&1 | grep dnet
Adding /usr/local/lib/libdnet.so.1.1
```

Alternatively, you should be able to fix both issues as follows:

```
libtoolize --copy --force
aclocal -I config
autoheader
autoconf
automake --foreign
```

When the DAQ library is built, both static and dynamic flavors will be generated. The various DAQ modules will be built if the requisite headers and libraries are available. You can disable individual modules, etc. with options to configure. For the complete list of configure options, run:

```
./configure --help
```

## 11.2 PCAP Module

pcap is the default DAQ. If snort is run w/o any DAQ arguments, it will operate as it always did using this module. These are equivalent:

```
./snort -i <device>
./snort -r <file>

./snort --daq pcap --daq-mode passive -i <device>
./snort --daq pcap --daq-mode read-file -r <file>
```

You can specify the buffer size pcap uses with:

```
./snort --daq pcap --daq-var buffer_size=<#bytes>
```

The pcap DAQ does not count filtered packets. \*

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### 11.3 AFPACKET Module

afpacket functions similar to the pcap DAQ but with better performance:

If you want to run afpacket in inline mode, you must craft the device string as one or more interface pairs, where each member of a pair is separated by a single colon and each pair is separated by a double colon like this:

```
eth0:eth1
```

or this:

```
eth0:eth1::eth2:eth3
```

By default, the afpacket DAQ allocates 128MB for packet memory. You can change this with:

```
--dag-var buffer size mb=<#MB>
```

Note that the total allocated is actually higher, here's why. Assuming the default packet memory with a snaplen of 1518, the numbers break down like this:

- The frame size is 1518 (snaplen) + the size of the AFPacket header (66 bytes) = 1584 bytes.
- The number of frames is 128 MB / 1518 = 84733.
- The smallest block size that can fit at least one frame is 4 KB = 4096 bytes @ 2 frames per block.
- As a result, we need 84733 / 2 = 42366 blocks.
- Actual memory allocated is 42366 \* 4 KB = 165.5 MB.

## Note

Linux kernel version 2.6.31 or higher is required for the AFPacket DAQ module due to its dependency on both TPACKET v2 and PACKET\_TX\_RING support.

## 11.4 NFQ Module

NFQ is the new and improved way to process iptables packets:

```
./snort --daq nfq \
    [--daq-var device=<dev>] \
    [--daq-var proto=<proto>] \
    [--daq-var queue=<qid>]

<dev> ::= ip | eth0, etc; default is IP injection
<proto> ::= ip4 | ip6 |; default is ip4
<qid> ::= 0..65535; default is 0
```

This module can not run unprivileged so ./snort -u -g will produce a warning and won't change user or group.

Notes on iptables are given below.

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### 11.5 IPQ Module

IPQ is the old way to process iptables packets. It replaces the inline version available in pre-2.9 versions built with this:

```
./configure --enable-inline
```

Note that layer 2 resets are not supported with the IPQ DAQ:

```
config layer2resets[: <mac>]
```

Start the IPQ DAQ as follows:

```
./snort --daq ipq \
    [--daq-var device=<dev>] \
    [--daq-var proto=<proto>] \

<dev> ::= ip | eth0, etc; default is IP injection
<proto> ::= ip4 | ip6; default is ip4
```

This module can not run unprivileged so ./snort -u -g will produce a warning and won't change user or group.

Notes on iptables are given below.

#### 11.6 IPFW Module

IPFW is available for BSD systems. It replaces the inline version available in pre-2.9 versions built with this:

```
./configure --enable-ipfw
```

This command line argument is no longer supported:

```
./snort -J <port#>
```

Instead, start Snort like this:

```
./snort --daq ipfw [--daq-var port=<port>]
<port> ::= 1..65535; default is 8000
```

• IPFW only supports ip4 traffic.

Notes on FreeBSD and OpenBSD are given below.

# 11.7 Dump Module

The dump DAQ allows you to test the various inline mode features available in 2.9 Snort like injection and normalization.

```
./snort -i <device> --daq dump
./snort -r <pcap> --daq dump
```

By default a file named inline-out.pcap will be created containing all packets that passed through or were generated by snort. You can optionally specify a different name.

```
./snort --daq dump --daq-var file=<name>
```

dump uses the pcap daq for packet acquisition. It therefore does not count filtered packets (a pcap limitation).

Note that the dump DAQ inline mode is not an actual inline mode. Furthermore, you will probably want to have the pcap DAQ acquire in another mode like this:

```
./snort -r <pcap> -Q --daq dump --daq-var load-mode=read-file
./snort -i <device> -Q --daq dump --daq-var load-mode=passive
```

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## 11.8 Netmap Module

The netmap project is a framework for very high speed packet I/O. It is available on both FreeBSD and Linux with varying amounts of preparatory setup required. Specific notes for each follow.

```
./snort --daq netmap -i <device>
[--daq-var debug]
```

If you want to run netmap in inline mode, you must craft the device string as one or more interface pairs, where each member of a pair is separated by a single colon and each pair is separated by a double colon like this:

```
em1:em2
```

or this:

```
em1:em2::em3:em4
```

Inline operation performs Layer 2 forwarding with no MAC filtering, akin to the AFPacket module's behavior. All packets received on one interface in an inline pair will be forwarded out the other interface unless dropped by the reader and vice versa.



### **Important**

The interfaces will need to be up and in promiscuous mode in order to function (*ifconfig em1 up promisc*). The DAQ module does not currently do either of these configuration steps for itself.

### 11.8.1 FreeBSD

In FreeBSD 10.0, netmap has been integrated into the core OS. In order to use it, you must recompile your kernel with the line device netmap

added to your kernel config.

## 11.8.2 Linux

You will need to download the netmap source code from the project's repository:

```
https://code.google.com/p/netmap/
```

Follow the instructions on the project's homepage for compiling and installing the code:

```
http://info.iet.unipi.it/~luigi/netmap/
```

It will involve a standalone kernel module (netmap\_lin) as well as patching and rebuilding the kernel module used to drive your network adapters. The following drivers are supported under Linux at the time of writing (June 2014):

```
e1000
e1000e
forcedeth
igb
ixgbe
r8169
virtio
```

#### TODO:

- Support for attaching to only a single ring (queue) on a network adapter.
- Support for VALE and netmap pipes.

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## 11.9 Notes on iptables

These notes are just a quick reminder that you need to set up iptables to use the IPQ or NFQ DAQs. Doing so may cause problems with your network so tread carefully. The examples below are intentionally incomplete so please read the related documentation first.

Here is a blog post by Marty for historical reference:

```
http://archives.neohapsis.com/archives/snort/2000-11/0394.html
```

You can check this out for queue sizing tips:

```
\label{log2008/01/23/improving-snort_inlines-nfq-performance.} \leftarrow \\ \text{html}
```

You might find useful IPQ info here:

```
http://snort-inline.sourceforge.net/
```

Use this to examine your iptables:

```
sudo /sbin/iptables -L
```

Use something like this to set up NFQ:

```
sudo /sbin/iptables
-I  [<protocol stuff>] [<state stuff>]
-j NFQUEUE --queue-num 1
```

Use something like this to set up IPQ:

```
sudo iptables -I FORWARD -j QUEUE
```

Use something like this to "disconnect" snort:

```
sudo /sbin/iptables -D  <rule pos>
```

Be sure to start Snort prior to routing packets through NFQ with iptables. Such packets will be dropped until Snort is started.

The queue-num is the number you must give Snort.

If you are running on a system with both NFQ and IPQ support, you may experience some start-up failures of the sort:

The solution seems to be to remove both modules from the kernel like this:

```
modprobe -r nfnetlink_queue
modprobe -r ip_queue
```

and then install the module you want:

```
modprobe ip_queue
or:
```

modprobe nfnetlink\_queue

These DAQs should be run with a snaplen of 65535 since the kernel defrags the packets before queuing. Also, no need to configure frag3.

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### 11.10 Notes on FreeBSD::IPFW

Check the online manual at:

```
http://www.freebsd.org/doc/handbook/firewalls-ipfw.html.
```

Here is a brief example to divert icmp packets to Snort at port 8000:

To enable support for divert sockets, place the following lines in the kernel configuration file:

```
options IPFIREWALL options IPDIVERT
```

(The file in this case was: /usr/src/sys/i386/conf/GENERIC; which is platform dependent.)

You may need to also set these to use the loadable kernel modules:

```
/etc/rc.conf:
firewall_enable="YES"

/boot/loader.conf:
ipfw_load="YES"
ipdivert_load="YES"

$ dmesg | grep ipfw
ipfw2 (+ipv6) initialized, divert loadable, nat loadable, rule-based
forwarding disabled, default to deny, logging disabled

$ kldload -v ipdivert
Loaded ipdivert, id=4

$ ipfw add 75 divert 8000 icmp from any to any
00075 divert 8000 icmp from any to any
$ ipfw list
...
00075 divert 8000 icmp from any to any
00080 allow icmp from any to any
...
```

• Note that on FreeBSD, divert sockets don't work with bridges!

Please refer to the following articles for more information:

- https://forums.snort.org/forums/support/topics/snort-inline-on-freebsd-ipfw
- http://freebsd.rogness.net/snort\_inline/

NAT gateway can be used with divert sockets if the network environment is conducive to using NAT.

The steps to set up NAT with ipfw are as follows:

1. Set up NAT with two interface em0 and em1 by adding the following to /etc/rc.conf. Here em0 is connected to external network and em1 to host-only LAN.

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```
gateway_enable="YES"
natd_program="/sbin/natd"  # path to natd
natd_enable="YES"  # Enable natd (if firewall_enable == YES)
natd_interface="em0"  # Public interface or IP Address
natd_flags="-dynamic"  # Additional flags
defaultrouter=""
ifconfig_em0="DHCP"
ifconfig_em1="inet 192.168.1.2 netmask 255.255.255.0"
firewall_enable="YES"
firewall_script="/etc/rc.firewall"
firewall_type="simple"
```

2. Add the following divert rules to divert packets to Snort above and below the NAT rule in the "Simple" section of /etc/rc.firewall.

```
# Inspect outbound packets (those arriving on "inside" interface)
# before NAT translation.
${fwcmd} add divert 8000 all from any to any in via ${iif}
case ${natd_enable} in
[Yy][Ee][Ss])
   if [ -n "${natd_interface}" ]; then
        ${fwcmd} add divert natd all from any to any via ${natd_interface}
   fi
   ;;
esac
...
# Inspect inbound packets (those arriving on "outside" interface)
# after NAT translation that aren't blocked for other reasons,
# after the TCP "established" rule.
${fwcmd} add divert 8000 all from any to any in via ${oif}
```

# 11.11 Notes on OpenBSD::IPFW

OpenBSD supports divert sockets as of 4.7, so we use the ipfw DAQ.

Here is one way to set things up:

1. Configure the system to forward packets:

```
$ sysctl net.inet.ip.forwarding=1
$ sysctl net.inet6.ip6.forwarding=1

(You can also put that in /etc/sysctl.conf to enable on boot.)
```

2. Set up interfaces

```
$ dhclient vic1
$ dhclient vic2
```

3. Set up packet filter rules:

```
$ echo "pass out on vic1 divert-packet port 9000 keep-state" > rules.txt
$ echo "pass out on vic2 divert-packet port 9000 keep-state" >> rules.txt
```

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```
$ pfctl -v -f rules.txt
```

4. Analyze packets diverted to port 9000:

```
$ ./snort --daq ipfw --daq-var port=9000
```

• Note that on OpenBSD, divert sockets don't work with bridges!

#### 11.12 Socket Module

The socket module provides a stream socket server that will accept up to 2 simultaneous connections and bridge them together while also passing data to Snort++ for inspection. The first connection accepted is considered the client and the second connection accepted is considered the server. If there is only one connection, stream data can't be forwarded but it is still inspected.

Each read from a socket of up to snaplen bytes is passed as a packet to Snort++ along with a DAQ\_SktHdr\_t pointer in DAQ\_PktHdr\_t priv\_ptr. DAQ\_SktHdr\_t conveys IP4 address, ports, protocol, and direction. Socket packets can be configured to be TCP or UDP. The socket DAQ can be operated in inline mode and is able to block packets.

The socket DAQ uses DLT\_SOCKET and requires that Snort++ load the socket codec which is included in the extra package.

To use the socket DAQ, start Snort++ like this:

```
./snort --plugin-path /path/to/lib/snort_extra \
     --daq socket [--daq-var port=<port>] [--daq-var proto=<proto>] [-Q]

<port> ::= 1..65535; default is 8000
<proto> ::= tcp | udp
```

- This module only supports ip4 traffic.
- This module is only supported by Snort++. It is not compatible with Snort.
- This module is primarily for development and test.

#### 11.13 File Module

The file module provides the ability to process files directly w/o having to extract them from pcaps. Use the file module with Snort's stream\_file to get file type identification and signature services. The usual IPS detection and logging etc. is available too.

You can process all the files in a directory recursively using 8 threads with these Snort options:

```
--pcap-dir path -z 8
```

- This module is only supported by Snort++. It is not compatible with Snort.
- This module is primarily for development and test.

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#### 11.14 Hext Module

The hext module generates packets suitable for processing by Snort from hex/plain text. Raw packets include full headers and are processed normally. Otherwise the packets contain only payload and are accompanied with flow information (4-tuple) suitable for processing by stream\_user.

The first character of the line determines it's purpose:

```
'$' command
'#' comment
'"' quoted string packet data
'x' hex packet data
' empty line separates packets
```

#### The available commands are:

```
$client <ip4> <port>
$server <ip4> <port>

$packet -> client
$packet -> server

$packet <addr> <port> -> <addr> <port>
```

Client and server are determined as follows.  $packet \rightarrow client$  indicates to the client (from server) and  $packet \rightarrow client$  a packet to the server (from client).  $packet \rightarrow client$  as 4-tuple uses the heuristic that the client is the side with the lower port number.

The default client and server are 192.168.1.1 12345 and 10.1.2.3 80 respectively. \$packet commands with a 4-tuple do not change client and server set with the other \$packet commands.

\$packet commands should be followed by packet data, which may contain any combination of hex and strings. Data for a packet ends with the next command or a blank line. Data after a blank line will start another packet with the same tuple as the prior one.

Strings may contain the following escape sequences:

```
\r = 0x0D = carriage return
\n = 0x0A = new line
\t = 0x09 = tab
\\ = 0x5C = \
```

Format your input carefully; there is minimal error checking and little tolerance for arbitrary whitespace. You can use Snort's -L hext option to generate hext input from a pcap.

- This module only supports ip4 traffic.
- This module is only supported by Snort++. It is not compatible with Snort.
- This module is primarily for development and test.

The hext DAQ also supports a raw mode which is activated by setting the data link type. For example, you can input full ethernet packets with --daq-var dlt=1 (Data link types are defined in the DAQ include sfbpf\_dlt.h.) Combine that with the hext logger in raw mode for a quick (and dirty) way to edit pcaps. With --lua "log\_hext = { raw = true }", the hext logger will dump the full packet in a way that can be read by the hext DAQ in raw mode. Here is an example:

```
# 3 [96]
```

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A comment indicating packet number and size precedes each packet dump. Note that the commands are not applicable in raw mode and have no effect.

## 12 Snort++ vs Snort

Snort++ differs from Snort in the following ways:

- command line and conf file syntax made more uniform
- · removed unused and deprecated features
- remove as many barriers to successful run as possible (e.g.: no upper bounds on memcaps)
- assume the simplest mode of operation (e.g.: never assume input from or output to some hardcoded filename)
- all Snort config options are grouped into Snort++ modules

# 12.1 Build Options

- configure --with-lib{pcap,pcre}-\* → --with-{pcap,pcre}-\*
- control socket, cs\_dir, and users were deleted
- POLICY\_BY\_ID\_ONLY code was deleted
- hardened --enable-inline-init-failopen / INLINE\_FAILOPEN

#### 12.2 Command Line

- --pause loads config and waits for resume before processing packets
- · --require-rule-sid is hardened
- --shell enables interactive Lua shell
- -T is assumed if no input given
- added --help-config prefix to dump all matching settings
- · added --script-path
- added -K text; -K text/pcap is old dump/log mode
- added -z <#> and --max-packet-threads <#>
- delete --enable-mpls-multicast, --enable-mpls-overlapping-ip, --max-mpls-labelchain-len, --mpls-payload-type
- deleted --pid-path and --no-interface-pidfile

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• deleting command line options which will be available with --lua or some such including: -I, -h, -F, -p, --disable-inline-init-failopen

- hardened -n < 0
- · removed --search-method
- replaced "unknown args are bpf" with --bpf
- replaced --dynamic-\*-lib[-dir] with --plugin-path (with : separators)
- removed -b, -N, -Z and, --perfmon-file options

### 12.3 Conf File

- Snort++ has a default unicode.map
- Snort++ will not enforce an upper bound on memcaps and the like within 64 bits
- Snort++ will supply a default \*\_global config if not specified (Snort would fatal; e.g. http\_inspect\_server w/o http\_inspect\_global)
- address list syntax changes: [[ and ]] must be [ [ and ] ] to avoid Lua string parsing errors (unless in quoted string)
- because the Lua conf is live code, we lose file:line locations in app error messages (syntax errors from Lua have file:line)
- · changed search-method names for consistency
- delete config include\_vlan\_in\_alerts (not used in code)
- delete config so\_rule\_memcap (not used in code)
- deleted --disable-attribute-table-reload-thread
- deleted config decode\_\*\_{alerts,drops} (use rules only)
- deleted config dump-dynamic-rules-path
- deleted config ipv6\_frag (not actually used)
- deleted config threshold and ips rule threshold (→ event\_filter)
- eliminated ac-split; must use ac-full-q split-any-any
- frag3 → defrag, arpspoof → arp\_spoof, sfportscan → port\_scan, perfmonitor → perf\_monitor, bo → back\_orifice
- limits like "1234K" are now "limit = 1234, units = K"
- lua field names are (lower) case sensitive; snort.conf largely wasn't
- module filenames are not configurable: always <log-dir>/<module-name><suffix> (suffix is determined by module)
- no positional parameters; all name = value
- perf\_monitor configuration was simplified
- portscan.detect\_ack\_scans deleted (exact same as include\_midstream)
- removed various run modes now just one
- · frag3 default policy is Linux not bsd
- lowmem\* search methods are now in snort\_examples
- deleted unused http\_inspect stateful mode
- · deleted stateless inspection from ftp and telnet

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- deleted http and ftp alert options (now strictly rule based)
- preprocessor disabled settings deleted since no longer relevant
- · sessions are always created; snort config stateful checks eliminated
- stream5\_tcp: prune\_log\_max deleted; to be replaced with histogram
- stream5\_tcp: max\_active\_responses, min\_response\_seconds moved to active.max\_responses, min\_interval

#### **12.4 Rules**

- all rules must have a sid
- · deleted activate / dynamic rules
- · deleted metadata engine shared
- deleted metadata: rule-flushing (with PDU flushing rule flushing can cause missed attacks, the opposite of its intent)
- · deleted unused rule state.action
- fastpattern\_offset, fast\_pattern\_length
- no; separated content suboptions
- offset, depth, distance, and within must use a space separator not colon (e.g. offset:5; becomes offset 5;)
- rule option sequence: <stub> soid <hidden>
- sid == 0 not allowed
- soid is now a non-metadata option
- content suboptions http\_\* are now full options and should be place before content
- the following pcre options have been deleted: use sticky buffers instead B, U, P, H, M, C, I, D, K, S, Y
- deleted uricontent ips rule option. uricontent:"foo" -→ http\_uri; content:"foo"
- deleted urilen raw and norm; must use http\_raw\_uri and http\_uri instead
- deleted unused http\_encode option
- urilen replaced with generic bufferlen which applies to current sticky buffer
- added optional selector to http\_header, e.g. http\_header:User-Agent;
- multiline rules w/o \n
- #begin ... #end comments

## 12.5 Output

- · alert\_fast includes packet data by default
- all text mode outputs default to stdout
- changed default logging mode to -K none
- deleted layer2resets and flexresp2\_\*
- · deleted log\_ascii
- general output guideline: don't print zero counts

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• Snort++ queues decoder and inspector events to the main event queue before ips policy is selected; since some events may not be enabled, the queue needs to be sized larger than with Snort which used an intermediate queue for decoder events.

- deleted the intermediate http and ftp\_telnet event queues
- alert\_unified2 and log\_unified2 have been deleted

### 12.6 HTTP Profiles

This section describes the changes to the Http Inspect config option "profile".

Snort 2.X allows users to select pre-defined HTTP server profiles using the config option "profile". The user can choose one of five predefined profiles. When defined, this option will set defaults for other config options within Http Inspect.

With Snort++, the user has the flexibility of defining and fine tuning custom profiles along with the five predefined profiles.

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#### Note

The "profile" option now that points to a table "http\_profile\_apache" which is defined in "snort\_defaults.lua" (as follows).

```
http_profile_apache =
    profile_type = 'apache',
    server_flow_depth = 300,
    client_flow_depth = 300,
    post_depth = -1,
    chunk_length = 500000,
    ascii = true,
    multi_slash = true,
    directory = true,
    webroot = true,
    utf_8 = true,
    apache_whitespace = true,
    non_strict = true,
    normalize_utf = true,
    normalize_javascript = false,
    max_header_length = 0,
    max_headers = 0,
    max\_spaces = 200,
```

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```
max_javascript_whitespaces = 200,
whitespace_chars ='0x9 0xb 0xc 0xd'
}
```

#### Note

The config option "max headers" is set to 0 in the profile, but overwritten by "http inspect.profile.max headers = 200".

#### Conversion

Snort2lua can convert the existing snort.conf with the "profile" option to Snort3.0 compatible "profile". Please refer to the Snort2Lua post for more details.

#### Examples

```
"profile all" ==> "profile = http_profile_default"
"profile apache" ==> "profile = http_profile_apache"
"profile iis" ==> "profile = http_profile_iis"
"profile iis_40" ==> "profile = http_profile_iis_40"
"profile iis_50" ==> "profile = http_profile_iis_50"
```

### Defining custom profiles

The complete set of Http Inspect config options that a custom profile can configure can be found by running the following command:

```
snort --help-config http_inspect | grep http_inspect.profile
```

## 13 Snort2Lua

One of the major differences between Snort 2.9.X and Snort 3.0 is the configuration. Snort 2.9.X configuration files are written in Snort-specific syntax while Snort 3.0 configuration files are written in Lua. Snort2Lua is a program specifically designed to convert Snort 2.9.X configuration files into Lua files that Snort 3.0 can understand.

Snort2Lua reads your legacy Snort conf file(s) and generates Snort++ Lua and rules files. When running this program, the only mandatory option is to provide Snort2Lua with a Snort configuration file. The default output file file is snort.lua, the default error file will be snort.rej, and the default rule file is the output file (default is snort.lua). When Snort2Lua finishes running, the resulting configuration file can be successfully run as the Snort3.0 configuration file. The sole exception to this rule is when Snort2Lua cannot find an included file. If that occurs, the file will still be included in the output file and you will need to manually adjust or comment the file name. Additionally, if the exit code is not zero, some of the information may not be successfully converted. Check the error file for all of the conversion problems.

Those errors can occur for a multitude of reasons and are not necessarily bad. For instance, Snort2Lua will only convert preprocessors that are currently supported. Therefore, any unsupported preprocessors or configuration options including DCERP, SIP, and SMTP, will cause an error in Snort2Lua since Snort3.0 does not support those preprocessors. Additionally, any rule options associated with those preprocessors are also not supported. Finally, Snort2Lua expects a valid Snort configuration. Therefore, if the configuration is invalid or has questionable syntax, Snort2Lua may fail to parse the configuration file or create an invalid Snort3.0 configuration file.

There are a also few peculiarities of Snort2Lua that may be confusing to a first time user. Specifically, aside from an initial configuration file (which is specified from the command line or as the file in 'config binding'), every file that is included into Snort3.0 must be either a Lua file or a rule file; the file cannot contain both rules and Lua syntax. Therefore, when parsing a file specified with the 'include' command, Snort2Lua will output both a Lua file and a rule file. Additionally, any line that is a comment in a configuration file will be added in to a comments section at the bottom of the main configuration file. Finally, rules that contain unsupported options will be converted to the best of Snort2Lua's capability and then printed as a comment in the rule file.

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#### 13.1 Snort2Lua Command Line

By default, Snort2Lua will attempt to parse every 'include' file and every 'binding' file. There is an option to change this functionality.

When specifying a rule file with one of the command line options, Snort2Lua will output all of the converted rules to that specified rule file. This is especially useful when you are only interesting in converting rules since there is no Lua syntax in rule files. There is also an option that tells Snort2Lua to output every rule for a given configuration into a single rule file. Similarly, there is an option pull all of the Lua syntax from every 'include' file into the output file.

There are currently three output modes: default, quiet, and differences. As expected, quiet mode produces a Snort++ configuration. All errors (aside from Fatal Snort2Lua errors), differences, and comments will omitted from the final output file. Default mode will print everything. That mean you will be able to see exactly what changes have occurred between Snort and Snort++ in addition to the new syntax, the original file's comments, and all errors that have occurred. Finally, differences mode will not actually output a valid Snort3.0 configuration. Instead, you can see the exact options from the input configuration that have changed.

### 13.1.1 Usage: snort2lua [OPTIONS]... -c <snort\_conf> ...

Converts the Snort configuration file specified by the -c or --conf-file options into a Snort++ configuration file

### Options:

- -? show usage
- -h this overview of snort2lua
- -a default option. print all data
- -c <snort\_conf> The Snort <snort\_conf> file to convert
- -d print the differences, and only the differences, between the Snort and Snort++ configurations to the <out\_file>
- -e <error\_file> output all errors to <error\_file>
- -i if <snort\_conf> file contains any <include\_file> or <policy\_file> (i.e. include path/to/conf/other\_conf), do NOT parse those files
- -m add a remark to the end of every converted rule
- -o <out\_file> output the new Snort++ lua configuration to <out\_file>
- -q quiet mode. Only output valid confiration information to the <out file>
- -r <rule\_file> output any converted rule to <rule\_file>
- -s when parsing <include\_file>, write <include\_file>'s rules to <rule\_file>. Meaningles if -i provided
- -t when parsing <include\_file>, write <include\_file>'s information, excluding rules, to <out\_file>. Meaningles if -i provided
- -V Print the current Snort2Lua version
- --conf-file Same as -c. A Snort <snort\_conf> file which will be converted
- --dont-parse-includes Same as -p. if <snort\_conf> file contains any <include\_file> or <policy\_file> (i.e. include path/to/con-f/other\_conf), do NOT parse those files
- --error-file=<error file> Same as -e. output all errors to <error file>
- --help Same as -h. this overview of snort2lua
- --markup print help in asciidoc compatible format

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- --ohi Use Old Http Inspect format
- --output-file=<out\_file> Same as -o. output the new Snort++ lua configuration to <out\_file>
- --print-all Same as -a. default option. print all data
- --print-differences Same as -d. output the differences, and only the differences, between the Snort and Snort++ configurations to the <out\_file>
- --quiet Same as -q. quiet mode. Only output valid confiration information to the <out\_file>
- --remark same as -m. add a remark to the end of every converted rule
- --rule-file=<rule\_file> Same as -r. output any converted rule to <rule\_file>
- --single-conf-file Same as -t. when parsing <include\_file>, write <include\_file>'s information, excluding rules, to <out\_file>
- --single-rule-file Same as -s. when parsing <include\_file>, write <include\_file>'s rules to <rule\_file>.
- --version Same as -V. Print the current Snort2Lua version

### Required option:

• A Snort configuration file to convert. Set with either -c or --conf-file

### **Default values:**

- <out\_file> = snort.lua
- <rule\_file> = <out\_file> = snort.lua. Rules are written to the local\_rules variable in the <out\_file>
- <error\_file> = snort.rej. This file will not be created in quiet mode.

## 13.2 Known Problems

- Any Snort 'string' which is dependent on a variable will no longer have that variable in the Lua string.
- Snort2Lua currently does not handle variables well. First, that means variables will not always be parsed correctly. Second, sometimes a variables value will be outoput in the lua file rather than a variable For instance, if Snort2Lua attempted to convert the line <code>include \$RULE\_PATH/example.rule</code>, the output may ouput <code>include /etc/rules/example.rule</code> instead.
- When Snort2Lua parses a 'binding' configuration file, the rules and configuration will automatically be combined into the same file. Also, the new files name will automatically become the old file's name with a .lua extension. There is currently no way to specify or change that files name.
- If a rule's action is a custom ruletype, that rule action will be silently converted to the rultype's *type*. No warnings or errors are currently emmitted. Additionally, the custom ruletypes outputs will be silently discarded.
- If the original configuration contains a binding that points to another file and the binding file contains an error, Snort2Lua will output the number of rejects for the binding file in addition to the number of rejects in the main file. The two numbers will eventually be combined into one output.

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## 13.3 Usage

Snort2Lua is included in the Snort 3.0 distribution. The Snort2Lua source code is located in the tools/snort2lua directory. The program is automatically built and installed.

Translating your configuration

To run Snort2Lua, the only requirement is a file containing Snort 2.9.X syntax. Assuming your configuration file is named snort.conf, run the command

```
snort2lua -c snort.conf
```

Snort2Lua will output a file named snort.lua. Assuming your snort.conf file is a valid Snort 2.9.X configuration file, than the resulting snort.lua file will always be a valid Snort 3.0 configuration file; any errors that occur are because Snort 3.0 currently does not support all of the Snort 2.9.X options.

Every keyword from the Snort configuration can be found in the output file. If the option or keyword has changed, then a comment containing both the option or keyword's old name and new name will be present in the output file.

Translating a rule file

Snort2Lua can also accommodate translating individual rule files. Assuming the Snort 2.9.X rule file is named snort.rules and you want the new rule file to be name updated.rules, run the command

```
snort2lua -c snort.rules -r updated.rules
```

Snort2Lua will output a file named updated.rules. That file, updated.rules, will always be a valid Snort 3.0 rule file. Any rule that contains unsupported options will be a comment in the output file.

Understanding the Output

Although Snort2Lua outputs very little to the console, there are several things that occur when Snort2Lua runs. This is a list of Snort2Lua outputs.

*The console*. Every line that Snort2Lua is unable to translate from the Snort 2.9.X format to the Snort 3.0 format is considered an error. Upon exiting, Snort2Lua will print the number of errors that occurred. Snort2Lua will also print the name of the error file.

*The output file.* As previously mentioned, Snort2Lua will create a Lua file with valid Snort 3.0 syntax. The default Lua file is named snort.lua. This file is the equivalent of your main Snort 2.9.X configuration file.

*The rule file.* By default, all rules will be printed to the Lua file. However, if a rule file is specified on the command line, any rules found in the Snort 2.9.X configuration will be written to the rule file instead

The error file. By default, the error file is snort.rej. It will only be created if errors exist. Every error referenced on the command line can be found in this file. There are two reasons an error can occur.

- The Snort 2.9.X configuration file has invalid syntax. If Snort 2.9.X cannot parse the configuration file, neither can Snort2Lua. In the example below, Snort2Lua could not convert the line *config bad\_option*. Since that is not valid Snort 2.9.X syntax, this is a syntax error.
- The Snort 2.9.X configuration file contains preprocessors and rule options that are not supported in Snort 3.0. If Snort 2.9.X can parse a line that Snort2Lua cannot parse, than Snort 3.0 does not support something in the line. As Snort 3.0 begins supporting these preprocessors and rule options, Snort2Lua will also begin translating these lines. One example of such an error is dcerpc2.

Additional .lua and .rules files. Every time Snort2Lua parses the include or binding keyword, the program will attempt to parse the file referenced by the keyword. Snort2Lua will then create one or two new files. The new files will have a .lua or .rules extension appended to the original filename.

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# 14 Extending Snort++

# 14.1 Plugins

Snort++ uses a variety of plugins to accomplish much of its processing objectives, including:

- Codec to decode and encode packets
- Inspector like the prior preprocessors, for normalization, etc.
- IpsOption for detection in Snort++ rules
- · IpsAction for custom actions
- · Logger for handling events
- Mpse for fast pattern matching
- So for dynamic rules

Plugins have an associated API defined for each type, all of which share a common *header*, called the BaseApi. A dynamic library makes its plugins available by exporting the snort\_plugins symbol, which is a null terminated array of BaseApi pointers.

The BaseApi includes type, name, API version, plugin version, and function pointers for constructing and destructing a Module. The specific API add various other data and functions for their given roles.

#### 14.2 Modules

The Module is pervasive in Snort+. It is how everything, including plugins, are configured. It al so provides access to builtin rules. And as the glue that binds functionality to Snort+, the capabilities of a Module are expected to grow to include statistics support, etc.

Module configuration is handled by a list of Parameters. Most parameters can be validated by the framework, which means for example that conversion from string to number is done in exactly one place. Providing the builtin rules allows the documentation to include them automatically and also allows for autogenerating the rules at startup.

If we are defining a new Inspector called, say, gadget, it might be configured in snort.lua like this:

```
gadget =
{
    brain = true,
    claw = 3
}
```

When the gadget table is processed, Snort++ will look for a module called gadget. If that Module has an associated API, it will be used to configure a new instance of the plugin. In this case, a GadgetModule would be instantiated, brain and claw would be set, and the Module instance would be passed to the GadgetInspector constructor.

Module has three key virtual methods:

- begin() called when Snort++ starts processing the associated Lua table. This is a good place to allocate any required data and set defaults.
- **set**() called to set each parameter after validation.
- end() called when Snort++ finishes processing the associated Lua table. This is where additional integrity checks of related parameters should be done.

The configured Module is passed to the plugin constructor which pulls the configuration data from the Module. For non-trivial configurations, the working paradigm is that Module hands a pointer to the configured data to the plugin instance which takes ownership.

Note that there is at most one instance of a given Module, even if multiple plugin instances are created which use that Module. (Multiple instances require Snort++ binding configuration.)

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## 14.3 Inspectors

There are several types of inspector, which determines which inspectors are executed when:

- IT\_BINDER determines which inspectors apply to given flows
- IT\_WIZARD determines which service inspector to use if none explicitly bound
- IT\_PACKET used to process all packets before session and service processing (e.g. normalize)
- IT\_NETWORK processes packets w/o service (e.g. arp\_spoof, back\_orifice)
- IT\_STREAM for flow tracking, ip defrag, and tcp reassembly
- IT\_SERVICE for http, ftp, telnet, etc.
- IT\_PROBE process all packets after all the above (e.g. perf\_monitor, port\_scan)

### 14.4 Codecs

The Snort3.0 Codecs decipher raw packets. These Codecs are now completely pluggable; almost every Snort3.0 Codec can be built dynamically and replaced with an alternative, customized Codec. The pluggable nature has also made it easier to build new Codecs for protocols without having to touch the Snort3.0 code base.

The first step in creating a Codec is defining its class and protocol. Every Codec must inherit from the Snort3.0 Codec class defined in "framework/codec.h". The following is an example Codec named "example" and has an associated struct that is 14 bytes long.

```
#include <cstdint>
#include <arpa/inet.h>
#include "framework/codec.h"
#include "main/snort types.h"
#define EX_NAME "example"
#define EX_HELP "example codec help string"
struct Example
    uint8_t dst[6];
    uint8_t src[6];
    uint16_t ethertype;
    static inline uint8_t size()
    { return 14; }
}
class ExCodec : public Codec
{
public:
    ExCodec() : Codec(EX_NAME) { }
    ~ExCodec() { }
    bool decode (const RawData&, CodecData&, DecodeData&) override;
    void get_protocol_ids(std::vector<uint16_t>&) override;
};
```

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After defining ExCodec, the next step is adding the Codec's decode functionality. The function below does this by implementing a valid decode function. The first parameter, which is the RawData struct, provides both a pointer to the raw data that has come from a wire and the length of that raw data. The function takes this information and validates that there are enough bytes for this protocol. If the raw data's length is less than 14 bytes, the function returns false and Snort3.0 discards the packet; the packet is neither inspected nor processed. If the length is greater than 14 bytes, the function populates two fields in the CodecData struct, next\_prot\_id and lyr\_len. The lyr\_len field tells Snort3.0 the number of bytes that this layer contains. The next\_prot\_id field provides Snort3.0 the value of the next EtherType or IP protocol number.

```
bool ExCodec::decode(const RawData& raw, CodecData& codec, DecodeData&)
{
   if ( raw.len < Example::size() )
      return false;

   const Example* const ex = reinterpret_cast<const Example*>(raw.data);
   codec.next_prot_id = ntohs(ex->ethertype);
   codec.lyr_len = ex->size();
   return true;
}
```

For instance, assume this decode function receives the following raw data with a validated length of 32 bytes:

```
00 11 22 33 44 55 66 77 88 99 aa bb 08 00 45 00 00 38 00 01 00 00 40 06 5c ac 0a 01 02 03 0a 09
```

The Example struct's EtherType field is the 13 and 14 bytes. Therefore, this function tells Snort that the next protocol has an EtherType of 0x0800. Additionally, since the lyr\_len is set to 14, Snort knows that the next protocol begins 14 bytes after the beginning of this protocol. The Codec with EtherType 0x0800, which happens to be the IPv4 Codec, will receive the following data with a validated length of 18 ( == 32 - 14):

```
45 00 00 38 00 01 00 00 40 06 5c ac 0a 01 02 03 0a 09
```

How does Snort3.0 know that the IPv4 Codec has an EtherType of 0x0800? The Codec class has a second virtual function named get\_protocol\_ids(). When implementing the function, a Codec can register for any number of values between 0x0000 - 0xFFFF. Then, if the next\_proto\_id is set to a value for which this Codec has registered, this Codec's decode function will be called. As a general note, the protocol ids between [0, 0x00FF] are IP protocol numbers, [0x0100, 0x05FF] are custom types, and [0x0600, 0xFFFF] are EtherTypes.

For example, in the get\_protocol\_ids function below, the ExCodec registers for the protocols numbers 17, 787, and 2054. 17 happens to be the protocol number for UDP while 2054 is ARP's EtherType. Therefore, this Codec will now attempt to decode UDP and ARP data. Additionally, if any Codec sets the next\_protocol\_id to 787, ExCodec's decode function will be called. Some custom protocols are already defined in the file "protocols/protocol\_ids.h"

```
void ExCodec::get_protocol_ids(std::vector<uint16_t>&v)
{
    v.push_back(0x0011); // == 17 == UDP
    v.push_back(0x1313); // == 787 == custom
    v.push_back(0x0806); // == 2054 == ARP
}
```

To register a Codec for Data Link Type's rather than protocols, the function get\_data\_link\_type() can be similarly implemented.

The final step to creating a pluggable Codec is the snort\_plugins array. This array is important because when Snort3.0 loads a dynamic library, the program only find plugins that are inside the snort\_plugins array. In other words, if a plugin has not been added to the snort\_plugins array, that plugin will not be loaded into Snort3.0.

Although the details will not be covered in this post, the following code snippet is a basic CodecApi that Snort3.0 can load. This snippet can be copied and used with only three minor changes. First, in the function ctor, ExCodec should be replaced with the name of the Codec that is being built. Second, EX\_NAME must match the Codec's name or Snort will be unable to load this Codec. Third, EX\_HELP should be replaced with the general description of this Codec. Once this code snippet has been added, ExCodec is ready to be compiled and plugged into Snort3.0.

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```
static Codec* ctor(Module*)
{ return new ExCodec; }
static void dtor(Codec *cd)
{ delete cd; }
static const CodecApi ex_api =
    {
        PT_CODEC,
        EX_NAME,
        EX_HELP,
        CDAPI_PLUGIN_V0,
        nullptr,
        nullptr,
    },
    nullptr, // pointer to a function called during Snort's startup.
    nullptr, // pointer to a function called during Snort's exit.
    nullptr, // pointer to a function called during thread's startup.
    nullptr, // pointer to a function called during thread's destruction.
    ctor, // pointer to the codec constructor.
    dtor, // pointer to the codec destructor.
};
SO_PUBLIC const BaseApi* snort_plugins[] =
    &ex_api.base,
    nullptr
};
```

Two example Codecs are available in the extra directory on git and the extra tarball on the Snort3.0 page. One of those examples is the Token Ring Codec while the other example is the PIM Codec.

As a final note, there are four more virtual functions that a Codec should implement: encode, format, update, and log. If the functions are not implemented Snort will not throw any errors. However, Snort may also be unable to accomplish some of its basic functionality.

- encode is called whenever Snort actively responds and needs to builds a packet, i.e. whenever a rule using an IPS ACTION like react, reject, or rewrite is triggered. This function is used to build the response packet protocol by protocol.
- format is called when Snort is rebuilding a packet. For instance, every time Snort reassembles a TCP stream or IP fragment, format is called. Generally, this function either swaps any source and destination fields in the protocol or does nothing.
- update is similar to format in that it is called when Snort is reassembling a packet. Unlike format, this function only sets length fields.
- log is called when either the log\_codecs logger or a custom logger that calls PacketManager::log\_protocols is used when running Snort3.0.

### 14.5 IPS Actions

Action plugins specify a builtin action in the API which is used to determine verdict. (Conversely, builtin actions don't have an associated plugin function.)

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## 14.6 Developers Guide

Run doc/dev\_guide.sh to generate /tmp/dev\_guide.html, an annotated guide to the source tree.

## 14.7 Piglet Test Harness

In order to assist with plugin development, an experimental mode called "piglet" mode is provided. With piglet mode, you can call individual methods for a specific plugin. The piglet tests are specified as Lua scripts. Each piglet test script defines a test for a specific plugin.

Here is a minimal example of a piglet test script for the IPv4 Codec plugin:

```
plugin =
{
    type = "piglet",
    name = "codec::ipv4",
    use_defaults = true,
    test = function()
        local daq_header = DAQHeader.new()
        local raw_buffer = RawBuffer.new("some data")
        local codec data = CodecData.new()
        local decode data = DecodeData.new()
        return Codec.decode(
            daq_header,
            raw_buffer,
            codec data,
            decode data
        )
    end
}
```

To run snort in piglet mode, first build snort with the ENABLE\_PIGLET option turned on (pass the flag -DENABLE\_PIGLET:BOOL=Ol in cmake).

Then, run the following command:

```
snort --script-path $test_scripts --piglet
```

(where \$test\_scripts is the directory containing your piglet tests).

The test runner will generate a check-like output, indicating the the results of each test script.

# 14.8 Piglet Lua API

This section documents the API that piglet exposes to Lua. Refer to the piglet directory in the source tree for examples of usage.

Note: Because of the differences between the Lua and C++ data model and type system, not all parameters map directly to the parameters of the underlying C\++ member functions. Every effort has been made to keep the mappings consist, but there are still some differences. They are documented below.

### 14.8.1 Plugin Instances

For each test, piglet instantiates plugin specified in the name field of the plugin table. The virtual methods of the instance are exposed in a table unique to each plugin type. The name of the table is the CamelCase name of the plugin type.

For example, codec plugins have a virtual method called decode. This method is called like this:

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```
Codec.decode(...)
```

### Codec

```
• Codec.get_data_link_type() \rightarrow { int, int, ... }
```

- Codec.get\_protocol\_ids()  $\rightarrow$  { int, int, ... }
- ullet Codec.decode(DAQHeader, RawBuffer, CodecData, DecodeData) ightarrow bool
- Codec.log(RawBuffer, uint[lyr\_len])
- Codec.encode(RawBuffer, EncState, Buffer)  $\rightarrow$  bool
- Codec.update(uint[flags\_hi], uint[flags\_lo], RawBuffer, uint[lyr\_len]  $\rightarrow$  int
- Codec.format(bool[reverse], RawBuffer, DecodeData)

#### Differences:

• In Codec.update(), the (uint64\_t) flags parameter has been split into flags\_hi and flags\_lo

### **Inspector**

- Inspector.configure()
- Inspector.tinit()
- Inspector.tterm()
- Inspector.likes(Packet)
- Inspector.eval(Packet)
- Inspector.clear(Packet)
- Inspector.get\_buf\_from\_key(string[key], Packet, RawBuffer)  $\rightarrow$  bool
- Inspector.get\_buf\_from\_id(uint[id], Packet, RawBuffer) → bool
- Inspector.get\_buf\_from\_type(uint[type], Packet, RawBuffer) → bool
- Inspector.get\_splitter(bool[to\_server])  $\rightarrow$  StreamSplitter

Differences: \* In Inspector.configure(), the SnortConfig\* parameter is passed implicitly. \* the overloaded get\_buf() member function has been split into three separate methods.

### **IpsOption**

- IpsOption.hash()  $\rightarrow$  int
- IpsOption.is\_relative() → bool
- IpsOption.fp\_research()  $\rightarrow$  bool
- IpsOption.get\_cursor\_type()  $\rightarrow$  int
- IpsOption.eval(Cursor, Packet)  $\rightarrow$  int
- IpsOption.action(Packet)

### **IpsAction**

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• IpsAction.exec(Packet)

#### Logger

```
• Logger.open()
```

- Logger.close()
- Logger.reset()
- Logger.alert(Packet, string[message], Event)
- Logger.log(Packet, string[message], Event)

### SearchEngine

Currently, SearchEngine does not expose any methods.

## **SoRule**

Currently, SoRule does not expose any methods.

### **Interface Objects**

Many of the plugins take C++ classes and structs as arguments. These objects are exposed to the Lua API as Lua userdata. Exposed objects are instantiated by calling the new method from each object's method table.

For example, the DecodeData object can be instantiated and exposed to Lua like this:

```
local decode_data = DecodeData.new(...)
```

Each object also exposes useful methods for getting and setting member variables, and calling the C++ methods contained in the the object. These methods can be accessed using the: accessor syntax:

```
decode_data:set({ sp = 80, dp = 3500 })
```

Since this is just syntactic sugar for passing the object as the first parameter of the function <code>DecodeData.set</code>, an equivalent form is:

```
decode_data.set(decode_data, { sp = 80, dp = 3500 })
```

#### or even:

```
DecodeData.set(decode_data, { sp = 80, dp = 3500 })
```

#### **Buffer**

- Buffer.new(string[data])  $\rightarrow$  Buffer
- Buffer.new(uint[length]) → Buffer
- Buffer.new(RawBuffer)  $\rightarrow$  Buffer
- Buffer:allocate(uint[length]) → bool
- Buffer:clear()

#### CodecData

- CodecData.new()  $\rightarrow$  CodecData
- CodecData.new(uint[next\_prot\_id]) → CodecData

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- CodecData.new(fields) → CodecData
- CodecData:get()  $\rightarrow$  fields
- CodecData:set(fields)

fields is a table with the following contents:

- next\_prot\_id
- lyr\_len
- invalid\_bytes
- proto\_bits
- codec\_flags
- ip\_layer\_cnt
- ip6\_extension\_count
- curr\_ip6\_extension
- ip6\_csum\_proto

#### Cursor

- Cursor.new()  $\rightarrow$  Cursor
- Cursor.new(Packet)  $\rightarrow$  Cursor
- Cursor.new(string[data]) → Cursor
- Cursor.new(RawBuffer)  $\rightarrow$  Cursor
- Cursor:reset()
- Cursor:reset (Packet)
- Cursor:reset(string[data])
- Cursor:reset (RawBuffer)

# **DAQHeader**

- DAQHeader.new()  $\rightarrow$  DAQHeader
- DAQHeader.new(fields)  $\rightarrow$  DAQHeader
- DAQHeader:get()  $\rightarrow$  fields
- DAQHeader:set(fields)

fields is a table with the following contents:

- caplen
- pktlen
- ingress\_index
- egress\_index
- ingress\_group

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- egress\_group
- flags
- opaque

### DecodeData

- DecodeData.new()  $\rightarrow$  DecodeData
- DecodeData.new(fields)  $\rightarrow$  DecodeData
- DecodeData:reset()
- DecodeData:get() → fields
- DecodeData:set(fields)
- DecodeData:set\_ipv4\_hdr(RawBuffer, uint[offset])

fields is a table with the following contents:

- sp
- dp
- decode\_flags
- type

#### **EncState**

- EncState.new()  $\rightarrow$  EncState
- EncState.new(uint[flags\_lo])  $\rightarrow$  EncState
- EncState.new(uint[flags\_lo], uint[flags\_hi])  $\rightarrow$  EncState
- EncState.new(uint[flags\_lo], uint[flags\_hi], uint[next\_proto])  $\rightarrow$  EncState
- EncState.new(uint[flags\_lo], uint[flags\_hi], uint[next\_proto], uint[ttl]) → EncState
- EncState.new(uint[flags\_lo], uint[flags\_hi], uint[next\_proto], uint[ttl], uint[dsize ])  $\rightarrow$  EncState

## **Event**

- Event.new()  $\rightarrow$  Event
- Event.new(fields)  $\rightarrow$  Event
- Event:get()  $\rightarrow$  fields
- Event:set(fields)

fields is a table with the following contents:

- event\_id
- event\_reference
- sig\_info

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```
- generator
```

- **-** id
- rev
- class\_id
- priority
- text\_rule
- num\_services

#### Flow

- Flow.new()  $\rightarrow$  Flow
- Flow:reset()

### **Packet**

- Packet.new()  $\rightarrow$  Packet
- Packet.new(string[data])  $\rightarrow$  Packet
- Packet.new(uint[size])  $\rightarrow$  Packet
- Packet.new(fields)  $\rightarrow$  Packet
- Packet.new(RawBuffer)  $\rightarrow$  Packet
- Packet.new(DAQHeader)  $\rightarrow$  Packet
- Packet:set\_decode\_data(DecodeData)
- Packet:set\_data(uint[offset], uint[length])
- Packet:set\_flow(Flow)
- Packet:get()  $\rightarrow$  fields
- Packet:set()
- Packet:set(string[data])
- Packet:set(uint[size])
- Packet:set(fields)
- Packet:set(RawBuffer)
- Packet:set(DAQHeader)

fields is a table with the following contents:

- packet\_flags
- xtradata\_mask
- proto\_bits
- application\_protocol\_ordinal
- alt\_dsize
- num\_layers

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- iplist\_id
- user\_policy\_id
- ps\_proto

Note: Packet.new() and Packet: set() accept multiple arguments of the types described above in any order

#### RawBuffer

- RawBuffer.new() → RawBuffer
- RawBuffer.new(uint[size]) → RawBuffer
- RawBuffer.new(string[data]) → RawBuffer
- RawBuffer:size()  $\rightarrow$  int
- RawBuffer:resize(uint[size])
- RawBuffer:write(string[data])
- RawBuffer:write(string[data], uint[size])
- RawBuffer:read() → string
- RawBuffer:read(uint[end]) → string
- RawBuffer:read(uint[start], uint[end])  $\rightarrow$  string

Note: calling RawBuffer.new() with no arguments returns a RawBuffer of size 0

### StreamSplitter

- StreamSplitter:scan(Flow, RawBuffer)  $\rightarrow$  int, int
- StreamSplitter:scan(Flow, RawBuffer, uint[len])  $\rightarrow$  int, int
- StreamSplitter:scan(Flow, RawBuffer, uint[len], uint[flags])  $\rightarrow$  int, int
- StreamSplitter:reassemble(Flow, uint[total], uint[offset], RawBuffer)  $\rightarrow$  int, RawBuffer
- StreamSplitter:reassemble(Flow, uint[total], uint[offset], RawBuffer, uint[len])  $\rightarrow$  int, RawBuffer
- StreamSplitter:reassemble(Flow, uint[total], uint[offset], RawBuffer, uint[len], uint[flags])  $\rightarrow$  int, RawBuffer
- StreamSplitter:finish(Flow)  $\rightarrow$  bool

Note: StreamSplitter does not have a new () method, it must be created by an inspector via Inspector.get\_splitter()

# 15 Coding Style

All new code should try to follow these style guidelines. These are not yet firm so feedback is welcome to get something we can live with.

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#### 15.1 General

Generally try to follow <a href="http://google-styleguide.googlecode.com/svn/trunk/cppguide.xml">http://google-styleguide.googlecode.com/svn/trunk/cppguide.xml</a>, but there are some differences documented here.

- Each source directory should have a dev\_notes.txt file summarizing the key points and design decisions for the code in that directory. These are built into the developers guide.
- Makefile.am and CMakeLists.txt should have the same files listed in alpha order. This makes it easier to maintain both build systems.
- All new code must come with unit tests providing 95% coverage or better.
- Generally, Catch is preferred for tests in the source file and CppUTest is preferred for test executables in a test subdirectory.

## 15.2 C++ Specific

- Do not use exceptions. Exception-safe code is non-trivial and we have ported legacy code that makes use of exceptions unwise. There are a few exceptions to this rule for the memory manager, shell, etc. Other code should handle errors as errors.
- Do not use dynamic\_cast or RTTI. Although compilers are getting better all the time, there is a time and space cost to this that is easily avoided.
- Use smart pointers judiciously as they aren't free. If you would have to roll your own, then use a smart pointer. If you just need a dtor to delete something, write the dtor.
- Prefer and over && and or over || for new source files.
- Use nullptr instead of NULL.
- Use new, delete, and their [] counterparts instead of malloc and free except where realloc must be used. But try not to use realloc. New and delete can't return nullptr so no need to check. And Snort's memory manager will ensure that we live within our memory budget.
- Use references in lieu of pointers wherever possible.
- Use the order public, protected, private top to bottom in a class declaration.
- Keep inline functions in a class declaration very brief, preferably just one line. If you need a more complex inline function, move the definition below the class declaration.
- The goal is to have highly readable class declarations. The user shouldn't have to sift through implementation details to see what is available to the client.
- Any using statements in source files should be added only after all includes have been declared.

## 15.3 Naming

- Use camel case for namespaces, classes, and types like WhizBangPdfChecker.
- Use lower case identifiers with underscore separators, e.g. some\_function() and my\_var.
- Do not start or end variable names with an underscore. This has a good chance of conflicting with macro and/or system definitions.
- Use lower case filenames with underscores.

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#### 15.4 Comments

• Write comments sparingly with a mind towards future proofing. Often the comments can be obviated with better code. Clear code is better than a comment.

- Heed Tim Ottinger's Rule on Comments (https://disqus.com/by/tim\_ottinger/):
  - 1. Comments should only say what the code is incapable of saying.
  - 2. Comments that repeat (or pre-state) what the code is doing must be removed.
  - 3. If the code CAN say what the comment is saying, it must be changed at least until rule #2 is in force.
- Function comment blocks are generally just noise that quickly becomes obsolete. If you absolutely must comment on parameters, put each on a separate line along with the comment. That way changing the signature may prompt a change to the comments too.
- Use FIXIT (not FIXTHIS or TODO or whatever) to mark things left for a day or even just a minute. That way we can find them easily and won't lose track of them.
- Presently using FIXIT-X where X = A | W | P | H | M | L, indicating analysis, warning, perf, high, med, or low priority. Place A and W comments on the exact warning line so we can match up comments and build output. Supporting comments can be added above.
- Put the copyright(s) and license in a comment block at the top of each source file (.h and .cc). Don't bother with trivial scripts and make foo. Some interesting Lua code should get a comment block too. Copy and paste exactly from src/main.h (don't reformat).
- Put author, description, etc. in separate comment(s) following the license. Do not put such comments in the middle of the license foo. Be sure to put the author line ahead of the header guard to exclude them from the developers guide. Use the following format, and include a mention to the original author if this is derived work:

```
// ips_dnp3_obj.cc author Maya Dagon <mdagon@cisco.com>
// based on work by Ryan Jordan
```

• Each header should have a comment immediately after the header guard to give an overview of the file so the reader knows what's going on.

# 15.5 Logging

- Messages intended for the user should not look like debug messages. Eg, the function name should not be included. It is generally unhelpful to include pointers.
- Most debug messages should just be deleted.
- Don't bang your error messages (no !). The user feels bad enough about the problem already w/o you shouting at him.

### **15.6 Types**

- Use logical types to make the code clearer and to help the compiler catch problems. typedef uint16\_t Port; bool foo(Port) is way better than int foo(int port).
- Use forward declarations (e.g. struct SnortConfig;) instead of void\*.
- Try not to use extern data unless absolutely necessary and then put the extern in an appropriate header. Exceptions for things used in exactly one place like BaseApi pointers.
- Use const liberally. In most cases, const char\* s = "foo" should be const char\* const s = "foo". The former goes in the initialized data section and the latter in read only data section.

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• But use const char s[] = "foo" instead of const char\* s = "foo" when possible. The latter form allocates a pointer variable and the data while the former allocates only the data.

- Use static wherever possible to minimize public symbols and eliminate unneeded relocations.
- Declare functions virtual only in the parent class introducing the function (not in a derived class that is overriding the function).
   This makes it clear which class introduces the function.
- Declare functions as override if they are intended to override a function. This makes it possible to find derived implementations that didn't get updated and therefore won't get called due a change in the parent signature.
- Use bool functions instead of int unless there is truly a need for multiple error returns. The C-style use of zero for success and -1 for error is less readable and often leads to messy code that either ignores the various errors anyway or needlessly and ineffectively tries to do something about them. Generally that code is not updated if new errors are added.

# 15.7 Macros (aka defines)

- In many cases, even in C++, use #define name "value" instead of a const char\* const name = "value" because it will eliminate a symbol from the binary.
- Use inline functions instead of macros where possible (pretty much all cases except where stringification is necessary). Functions offer better typing, avoid re-expansions, and a debugger can break there.
- All macros except simple const values should be wrapped in () and all args should be wrapped in () too to avoid surprises upon expansion. Example:

```
\#define SEQ_LT(a,b) ((int)((a) - (b)) < 0)
```

• Multiline macros should be blocked (i.e. inside { }) to avoid if-else type surprises.

### 15.8 Formatting

- Try to keep all source files under 2500 lines. 3000 is the max allowed. If you need more lines, chances are that the code needs to be refactored.
- Indent 4 space chars ... no tabs!
- If you need to indent many times, something could be rewritten or restructured to make it clearer. Fewer indents is generally easier to write, easier to read, and overall better code.
- Braces go on the line immediately following a new scope (function signature, if, else, loop, switch, etc.
- Use consistent spacing and line breaks. Always indent 4 spaces from the breaking line. Keep lines less than 100 chars; it greatly helps readability.

• Put function signature on one line, except when breaking for the arg list:

```
No:
    inline
    bool foo()
{       // ...
```

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```
Yes:
    inline bool foo()
{ // ...
```

• Put conditional code on the line following the if so it is easy to break on the conditional block:

```
No:
    if ( test ) foo();
Yes:
    if ( test )
        foo();
```

#### 15.9 Headers

- Don't hesitate to create a new header if it is needed. Don't lump unrelated stuff into an header because it is convenient.
- Write header guards like this (leading underscores are reserved for system stuff). In my\_header.h:

```
#ifndef MY_HEADER_H
#define MY_HEADER_H
// ...
#endif
```

• Includes from a different directory should specify parent directory. This makes it clear exactly what is included and avoids the primordial soup that results from using -I this -I that -I the\_other\_thing . . . .

```
// given:
src/foo/foo.cc
src/bar/bar.cc
src/bar/baz.cc

// in baz.cc
#include "bar.h"

// in foo.cc
#include "bar/bar.h"
```

- Includes within installed headers should specify parent directory.
- Just because it is a #define doesn't mean it goes in a header. Everything should be scoped as tightly as possible. Shared implementation declarations should go in a separate header from the interface. And so on.
- A .cc should include its own .h before any others (including system headers). This ensures that the header stands on its own and can be used by clients without include prerequisites and the developer will be the first to find a dependency problem.
- Include required headers, all required headers, and nothing but required headers. Don't just clone a bunch of headers because it is convenient.
- · Try to keep includes in alpha order. This makes it easier to maintain, avoid duplicates, etc.
- Any file depending on #ifdefs should include config.h as shown below. A .h should include it before any other includes, and a .cc should include it immediately after the include of its own .h.

```
#ifdef HAVE_CONFIG_H
#include "config.h"
#endif
```

• Do not put using statements in headers unless they are tightly scoped.

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## 15.10 Warnings

• With g++, use at least these compiler flags:

```
-Wall -Wextra -pedantic -Wformat -Wformat-security -Wunused-but-set-variable -Wno-deprecated-declarations -fsanitize=address -fno-omit-frame-pointer
```

• With clang, use at least these compiler flags:

```
-Wall -Wextra -pedantic -Wformat -Wformat-security -Wno-deprecated-declarations -fsanitize=address -fno-omit-frame-pointer
```

• Then Fix All Warnings and Aborts. None Allowed.

# 15.11 Uncrustify

Currently using uncrustify from at <a href="https://github.com/bengardner/uncrustify">https://github.com/bengardner/uncrustify</a> to reformat legacy code and anything that happens to need a makeover at some point.

The working config is crusty.cfg in the top level directory. It does well but will munge some things. Specially formatted INDENT-OFF comments were added in 2 places to avoid a real mess.

You can use uncrustify something like this:

```
uncrustify -c crusty.cfg --replace file.cc
```

## 16 Reference

## 16.1 Terminology

- basic module: a module integrated into Snort that does not come from a plugin.
- binder: inspector that maps configuration to traffic
- builtin rules: codec and inspector rules for anomalies detected internally.
- codec: short for coder / decoder. These plugins are used for basic protocol decoding, anomaly detection, and construction of active responses.
- data module: an adjunct configuration plugin for use with certain inspectors.
- dynamic rules: plugin rules loaded at runtime. See SO rules.
- fast pattern: the content in an IPS rule that must be found by the search engine in order for a rule to be evaluated.
- fast pattern matcher: see search engine.
- hex: a type of protocol magic that the wizard uses to identify binary protocols.
- inspector: plugin that processes packets (similar to the legacy Snort preprocessor)
- IPS: intrusion prevention system, like Snort.
- **IPS action**: plugin that allows you to perform custom actions when events are generated. Unlike loggers, these are invoked before thresholding and can be used to control external agents or send active responses.
- **IPS option**: this plugin is the building blocks of IPS rules.

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- logger: a plugin that performs output of events and packets. Events are thresholded before reaching loggers.
- module: the user facing portion of a Snort component. Modules chiefly provide configuration parameters, but may also provide commands, builtin rules, profiling statistics, peg counts, etc. Note that not all modules are plugins and not all plugins have modules.
- **peg count**: the number of times a given event or condition occurs.
- plugin: one of several types of software components that can be loaded from a dynamic library when Snort starts up. Some plugins are coupled with the main engine in such a way that they must be built statically, but a newer version can be loaded dynamically.
- search engine: a plugin that performs multipattern searching of packets and payload to find rules that should be evaluated. There are currently no specific modules, although there are several search engine plugins. Related configuration is done with the basic detection module. Aka fast pattern matcher.
- **SO rule**: a IPS rule plugin that performs custom detection that can't be done by a text rule. These rules typically do not have associated modules. SO comes from shared object, meaning dynamic library.
- spell: a type of protocol magic that the wizard uses to identify ASCII protocols.
- **text rule**: a rule loaded from the configuration that has a header and body. The header specifies action, protocol, source and destination IP addresses and ports, and direction. The body specifies detection and non-detection options.
- wizard: inspector that applies protocol magic to determine which inspectors should be bound to traffic absent a port specific binding. See hex and spell.

# 16.2 Usage

For the following examples "\$my\_path" is assumed to be the path to the Snort++ install directory. Additionally, it is assumed that "\$my\_path/bin" is in your PATH.

### 16.2.1 Environment

LUA\_PATH is used directly by Lua to load and run required libraries. SNORT\_LUA\_PATH is used by Snort to load supplemental configuration files.

```
export LUA_PATH=$my_path/include/snort/lua/\?.lua\;\;
export SNORT_LUA_PATH=$my_path/etc/snort
```

## 16.2.2 Help

Print the help summary:

```
snort --help
```

Get help on a specific module ("stream", for example):

```
snort --help-module stream
```

Get help on the "-A" command line option:

```
snort --help-options A
```

## Grep for help on threads:

```
snort --help-config | grep thread
```

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## Output help on "rule" options in AsciiDoc format:

```
snort --markup --help-options rule
```

#### Note

Snort++ stops reading command-line options after the "--help-" and "--list-" options, so any other options should be placed before them.

## 16.2.3 Sniffing and Logging

## Read a pcap:

```
snort -r /path/to/my.pcap
```

### Dump the packets to stdout:

```
snort -r /path/to/my.pcap -L dump
```

### Dump packets with application data and layer 2 headers

```
snort -r /path/to/my.pcap -L dump -d -e
```

#### Note

Command line options must be specified separately. "snort -de" won't work. You can still concatenate options and their arguments, however, so "snort -Ldump" will work.

### Dump packets from all peaps in a directory:

```
snort --pcap-dir /path/to/pcap/dir --pcap-filter '*.pcap' -L dump -d -e
```

## Log packets to a directory:

snort --pcap-dir /path/to/pcap/dir --pcap-filter '\*.pcap' -L dump -l /path/to/log/  $\leftrightarrow$  dir

# 16.2.4 Configuration

# Validate a configuration file:

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua
```

## Validate a configuration file and a separate rules file:

```
\verb|snort-c| $my\_path/etc/snort/snort.lua-R $my\_path/etc/snort/sample.rules| \\
```

## Read rules from stdin and validate:

```
snort -c my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua --stdin-rules < my_path/etc/snort/sample.  
rules
```

### Enable warnings for Lua configurations and make warnings fatal:

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua --warn-all --pedantic
```

## Tell Snort++ where to look for additional Lua scripts:

```
snort --script-path /path/to/script/dir
```

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#### 16.2.5 IDS mode

```
Run Snort++ in IDS mode, reading packets from a pcap:
```

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua -r /path/to/my.pcap
```

Log any generated alerts to the console using the "-A" option:

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua -r /path/to/my.pcap -A alert_full
```

Add or modify a configuration from the command line using the "--lua" option:

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua -r /path/to/my.pcap -A cmg \
    --lua 'ips = { enable_builtin_rules = true }'
```

#### Note

The "--lua" option can be specified multiple times.

Run Snort++ in IDS mode on an entire directory of pcaps, processing each input source on a separate thread:

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua --pcap-dir /path/to/pcap/dir \
    --pcap-filter '*.pcap' --max-packet-threads 8
```

Run Snort++ on 2 interfaces, eth0 and eth1:

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua -i "eth0 eth1" -z 2 -A cmg
```

Run Snort++ inline with the afpacket DAQ:

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua --daq afpacket -i "eth0:eth1" \
    -A cmq
```

# 16.3 Plugins

Load external plugins and use the "ex" alert:

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua \
    --plugin-path $my_path/lib/snort_extra \
    -A alert_ex -r /path/to/my.pcap
```

Test the LuaJIT rule option *find* loaded from stdin:

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua \
    --script-path $my_path/lib/snort_extra \
    --stdin-rules -A cmg -r /path/to/my.pcap << END
alert tcp any any -> any 80 (
    sid:3; msg:"found"; content:"GET";
    find:"pat='HTTP/1%.%d'"; )
END
```

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# 16.4 Output Files

To make it simple to configure outputs when you run with multiple packet threads, output files are not explicitly configured. Instead, you can use the options below to format the paths:

```
<logdir>/[<run_prefix>][<id#>][<X>]<name>
```

Log to unified in the current directory:

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua -r /path/to/my.pcap -A unified2
```

Log to unified in the current directory with a different prefix:

Log to unified in /tmp:

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua -r /path/to/my.pcap -A unified2 -l /tmp
```

Run 4 packet threads and log with thread number prefix (0-3):

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua --pcap-dir /path/to/pcap/dir \
    --pcap-filter '*.pcap' -z 4 -A unified2
```

Run 4 packet threads and log in thread number subdirs (0-3):

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua --pcap-dir /path/to/pcap/dir \
    --pcap-filter '*.pcap' -z 4 -A unified2 --id-subdir
```

### Note

subdirectories are created automatically if required. Log filename is based on module name that writes the file. All text mode outputs default to stdout. These options can be combined.

## 16.4.1 DAQ Alternatives

Process hext packets from stdin:

Process raw ethernet from hext file:

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua \
    --daq-dir $my_path/lib/snort/daqs --daq hext \
    --daq-var dlt=1 -r <hext-file>
```

Process a directory of plain files (ie non-pcap) with 4 threads with 8K buffers:

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua \
    --daq-dir $my_path/lib/snort/daqs --daq file \
    --pcap-dir path/to/files -z 4 -s 8192
```

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Bridge two TCP connections on port 8000 and inspect the traffic:

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua \
    --daq-dir $my_path/lib/snort/dags --dag socket
```

# 16.4.2 Logger Alternatives

Dump TCP stream payload in hext mode:

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua -L hext
```

Output timestamp, pkt\_num, proto, pkt\_gen, dgm\_len, dir, src\_ap, dst\_ap, rule, action for each alert:

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua -A csv
```

Output the old test format alerts:

```
snort -c $my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua \
    --lua "alert_csv = { fields = 'pkt_num gid sid rev', separator = '\t' }"
```

#### 16.4.3 Shell

You must build with --enable-shell to make the command line shell available.

Enable shell mode:

```
snort --shell <args>
```

You will see the shell mode command prompt, which looks like this:

```
o")~
```

(The prompt can be changed with the SNORT\_PROMPT environment variable.)

You can pause immediately after loading the configuration and again before exiting with:

```
snort --shell --pause <args>
```

In that case you must issue the resume() command to continue. Enter quit() to terminate Snort or detach() to exit the shell. You can list the available commands with help().

To enable local telnet access on port 12345:

```
snort --shell -j 12345 <args>
```

The command line interface is still under development. Suggestions are welcome.

# 16.4.4 Signals

# Note

The following examples assume that Snort++ is currently running and has a process ID of <pid>.

Modify and Reload Configuration:

```
echo 'suppress = { gid = 1, sid = 2215 } ' >> my_path/etc/snort/snort.lua kill -hup <pid>
```

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### Dump stats to stdout:

kill -usr1 <pid>

## Shutdown normally:

kill -term <pid>

## Exit without flushing packets:

kill -quit <pid>

### List available signals:

snort --help-signals

#### Note

The available signals may vary from platform to platform.

# 16.5 Optional Features

The features listed below must be explicitly enabled so they are built into the Snort binary. For a full list of build features, run ./configure --help.

• --enable-shell: enable building local and remote command line shell support.

These features are built only if the required libraries and headers are present. There is no need to explicitly enable.

- Izma: for decompression of SWF and PDF files.
- openssl: for SHA and MD5 file signatures and the protected\_content rule option.
- \*intel-soft-cpm": an optional pattern matcher based on a library from Intel.
- hyperscan for the regex rule option and hyperscan search engine.

If you need to use headers and/or libraries in non-standard locations, you can use these options:

- --with-pkg-includes: specify the directory containing the package headers.
- --with-pkg-libraries: specify the directory containing the package libraries.

These can be use for pcap, luajit, pcre, dnet, daq, lzma, openssl, intel-soft-cpm, and hyperscan packages. For more information on these libraries see the Getting Started section of the manual.

# 16.6 Environment Variables

- **HOSTTYPE**: optional string that is output with the version at end of line.
- LUA PATH: you must export as follows so LuaJIT can find required files.

```
LUA_PATH=$install_dir/include/snort/lua/\?.lua\;\;
```

- **SNORT\_IGNORE**: the list of symbols Snort should ignore when parsing the Lua conf. Unknown symbols not in SNORT\_IGNORE will cause warnings with --warn-unknown or fatals with --warn-unknown --pedantic.
- SNORT\_LUA\_PATH: an optional path where Snort can find supplemental conf files such as classification.lua.
- **SNORT\_PROMPT**: the character sequence that is printed at startup, shutdown, and in the shell. The default is the mini-pig: o")~.
- **SNORT\_PLUGIN\_PATH**: an optional path where Snort can find supplemental shared libraries. This is only used when Snort is building manuals. Modules in supplemental shared libraries will be added to the manuals.

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## 16.7 Command Line Options

- --alert-before-pass process alert, drop, sdrop, or reject before pass; default is pass before alert, drop,...
- -A <mode> set alert mode: none, cmg, or alert\_\*
- -B <mask> obfuscated IP addresses in alerts and packet dumps using CIDR mask
- --bpf <filter options> are standard BPF options, as seen in TCPDump
- --c2x output hex for given char (see also --x2c)
- --catch-test comma separated list of cat unit test tags or all
- -c <conf> use this configuration
- -C print out payloads with character data only (no hex)
- --create-pidfile create PID file, even when not in Daemon mode
- --daq-dir <dir> tell snort where to find desired DAQ
- --daq-list list packet acquisition modules available in optional dir, default is static modules only
- --daq <type> select packet acquisition module (default is pcap)
- --daq-var <name=value> specify extra DAQ configuration variable
- -d dump the Application Layer
- --dirty-pig don't flush packets on shutdown
- -D run Snort in background (daemon) mode
- --dump-builtin-rules [<module prefix>] output stub rules for selected modules
- --dump-defaults [<module prefix>] output module defaults in Lua format (optional)
- --dump-dynamic-rules output stub rules for all loaded rules libraries
- --dump-version output the version, the whole version, and only the version
- -e display the second layer header info
- --enable-inline-test enable Inline-Test Mode Operation
- -f turn off fflush() calls after binary log writes
- **-G** <0xid> (same as --logid) (0:65535)
- -g <gname> run snort gid as <gname> group (or gid) after initialization
- --help-commands [<module prefix>] output matching commands (optional)
- --help-config [<module prefix>] output matching config options (optional)
- --help-counts [<module prefix>] output matching peg counts (optional)
- --help list command line options
- --help-module <module> output description of given module
- --help-modules list all available modules with brief help
- --help-options <option prefix> output matching command line option quick help (same as -?) (optional)
- --help-plugins list all available plugins with brief help
- --help-signals dump available control signals

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- -H make hash tables deterministic
- --id-subdir create/use instance subdirectories in logdir instead of instance filename prefix
- --id-zero use id prefix / subdirectory even with one packet thread
- -i <iface>... list of interfaces
- -j <port> to listen for telnet connections
- -k <mode> checksum mode; default is all (all|noip|notcp|noudp|noicmp|none)
- --list-buffers output available inspection buffers
- --list-builtin <module prefix> output matching builtin rules (optional)
- --list-gids [<module prefix>] output matching generators (optional)
- --list-modules [<module type>] list all known modules of given type (optional)
- --list-plugins list all known plugins
- -l < logdir> log to this directory instead of current directory
- -L <mode> logging mode (none, dump, pcap, or log\_\*)
- --logid <0xid> log Identifier to uniquely id events for multiple snorts (same as -G) (0:65535)
- --lua <chunk> extend/override conf with chunk; may be repeated
- --markup output help in asciidoc compatible format
- --max-packet-threads <count> configure maximum number of packet threads (same as -z) (0:)
- -M log messages to syslog (not alerts)
- **-m** <umask> set umask = <umask> (0:)
- -n <count> stop after count packets (0:)
- --nolock-pidfile do not try to lock Snort PID file
- --nostamps don't include timestamps in log file names
- -O obfuscate the logged IP addresses
- -? <option prefix> output matching command line option quick help (same as --help-options) (optional)
- --pause wait for resume/quit command before processing packets/terminating
- --pcap-dir <dir> a directory to recurse to look for pcaps read mode is implied
- --pcap-file <file> file that contains a list of pcaps to read read mode is implied
- --pcap-filter <filter> filter to apply when getting pcaps from file or directory
- --pcap-list < list> a space separated list of pcaps to read read mode is implied
- --pcap-loop <count> read all pcaps <count> times; 0 will read until Snort is terminated (-1:)
- --pcap-no-filter reset to use no filter when getting pcaps from file or directory
- --pcap-reload if reading multiple pcaps, reload snort config between pcaps
- --pcap-show print a line saying what pcap is currently being read
- --pedantic warnings are fatal
- --piglet enable piglet test harness mode

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- --plugin-path <path> where to find plugins
- · --process-all-events process all action groups
- -Q enable inline mode operation
- -q quiet mode Don't show banner and status report
- **-r** <pcap>... (same as --pcap-list)
- -R <rules> include this rules file in the default policy
- --rule <rules> to be added to configuration; may be repeated
- --rule-to-hex output so rule header to stdout for text rule on stdin
- --rule-to-text output plain so rule header to stdout for text rule on stdin
- --run-prefix <pfx> prepend this to each output file
- --script-path <path> to a luajit script or directory containing luajit scripts
- --shell enable the interactive command line
- --show-plugins list module and plugin versions
- **--skip** <n> skip 1st n packets (0:)
- --snaplen <snap> set snaplen of packet (same as -s) (68:65535)
- **-s** <snap> (same as --snaplen); default is 1514 (68:65535)
- --stdin-rules read rules from stdin until EOF or a line starting with END is read
- -S < x=v > set config variable x equal to value v
- -t <dir> chroots process to <dir> after initialization
- --treat-drop-as-alert converts drop, sdrop, and reject rules into alert rules during startup
- --treat-drop-as-ignore use drop, sdrop, and reject rules to ignore session traffic when not inline
- -T test and report on the current Snort configuration
- -u <uname> run snort as <uname> or <uid> after initialization
- -U use UTC for timestamps
- -v be verbose
- --version show version number (same as -V)
- **-V** (same as --version)
- --warn-all enable all warnings
- --warn-conf warn about configuration issues
- --warn-daq warn about DAQ issues, usually related to mode
- --warn-flowbits warn about flowbits that are checked but not set and vice-versa
- --warn-hosts warn about host table issues
- --warn-plugins warn about issues that prevent plugins from loading
- --warn-rules warn about duplicate rules and rule parsing issues
- --warn-scripts warn about issues discovered while processing Lua scripts

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- --warn-symbols warn about unknown symbols in your Lua config
- --warn-vars warn about variable definition and usage issues
- -W lists available interfaces
- --x2c output ASCII char for given hex (see also --c2x)
- --x2s output ASCII string for given byte code (see also --x2c)
- -X dump the raw packet data starting at the link layer
- -x same as --pedantic
- -y include year in timestamp in the alert and log files
- -z <count> maximum number of packet threads (same as --max-packet-threads); 0 gets the number of CPU cores reported by the system; default is 1 (0:)

## 16.8 Parameters

Parameters are given with this format:

```
type name = default: help { range }
```

The following types are used:

- addr: any valid IP4 or IP6 address or CIDR
- addr\_list: a space separated list of addr values
- bit\_list: a list of consecutive integer values from 1 to the range maximum
- bool: true or false
- dynamic: a select type determined by loaded plugins
- enum: a string selected from the given range
- implied: an IPS rule option that takes no value but means true
- int: a whole number in the given range
- ip4: an IP4 address or CIDR
- mac: an ethernet address with the form 01:02:03:04:05:06
- multi: one or more space separated strings from the given range
- port: an int in the range 0:65535 indicating a TCP or UDP port number
- real: a real number in the given range
- select: a string selected from the given range
- string: any string with no more than the given length, if any

The parameter name may be adorned in various ways to indicate additional information about the type and use of the parameter:

- For Lua configuration (not IPS rules), if the name ends with [] it is a list item and can be repeated.
- For IPS rules only, names starting with ~ indicate positional parameters. The names of such parameters do not appear in the rule.

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- IPS rules may also have a wild card parameter, which is indicated by a \*. Only used for metadata that Snort ignores.
- The snort module has command line options starting with a -.

Some additional details to note:

- Table and variable names are case sensitive; use lower case only.
- String values are case sensitive too; use lower case only.
- Numeric ranges may be of the form low:high where low and high are bounds included in the range. If either is omitted, there is no hard bound. E.g. 0: means any x where x >= 0.
- Strings may have a numeric range indicating a length limit; otherwise there is no hard limit.
- bit\_list is typically used to store a set of byte, port, or VLAN ID values.

# 16.9 Configuration

- string ack.~range: check if tcp ack value is value | min<>max | <max | >min
- int active.attempts = 0: number of TCP packets sent per response (with varying sequence numbers) { 0:20 }
- string active.device: use ip for network layer responses or eth0 etc for link layer
- string active.dst\_mac: use format 01:23:45:67:89:ab
- int active.max\_responses = 0: maximum number of responses { 0: }
- int active.min\_interval = 255: minimum number of seconds between responses { 1: }
- multi alert\_csv.fields = timestamp pkt\_num proto pkt\_gen dgm\_len dir src\_ap dst\_ap rule action: selected fields will be output in given order left to right { action | dir | dgm\_len | dst\_addr | dst\_ap | dst\_port | eth\_dst | eth\_len | eth\_src | eth\_type | gid | icmp\_code | icmp\_id | icmp\_seq | icmp\_type | iface | ip\_id | ip\_len | msg | pkt\_gen | pkt\_num | proto | rev | rule | sid | src\_addr | src\_ap | src\_port | tcp\_ack | tcp\_flags | tcp\_len | tcp\_seq | tcp\_win | timestamp | tos | ttl | udp\_len }
- bool **alert\_csv.file** = false: output to alert\_csv.txt instead of stdout
- int alert\_csv.limit = 0: set limit (0 is unlimited) { 0: }
- string **alert\_csv.separator** = , : separate fields with this character sequence
- enum alert\_csv.units = B: bytes | KB | MB | GB { B | K | M | G }
- bool alert\_fast.file = false: output to alert\_fast.txt instead of stdout
- int alert\_fast.limit = 0: set limit (0 is unlimited) { 0: }
- bool alert\_fast.packet = false: output packet dump with alert
- enum alert\_fast.units = B: bytes | KB | MB | GB { B | K | M | G }
- bool alert\_full.file = false: output to alert\_full.txt instead of stdout
- int alert\_full.limit = 0: set limit (0 is unlimited) { 0: }
- enum **alert\_full.units** = B: limit is in bytes | KB | MB | GB { B | K | M | G }
- bool alerts.alert\_with\_interface\_name = false: include interface in alert info (fast, full, or syslog only)
- bool alerts.default\_rule\_state = true: enable or disable ips rules
- int alerts.detection\_filter\_memcap = 1048576: set available memory for filters { 0: }
- int alerts.event\_filter\_memcap = 1048576: set available memory for filters { 0: }

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- string alert\_sfsocket.file: name of unix socket file
- int alert\_sfsocket.rules[].gid = 1: rule generator ID { 1: }
- int alert\_sfsocket.rules[].sid = 1: rule signature ID { 1: }
- string **alerts.order** = pass drop alert log: change the order of rule action application
- int alerts.rate\_filter\_memcap = 1048576: set available memory for filters { 0: }
- string alerts.reference\_net: set the CIDR for homenet (for use with -l or -B, does NOT change \$HOME\_NET in IDS mode)
- bool **alerts.stateful** = false: don't alert w/o established session (note: rule action still taken)
- string alerts.tunnel\_verdicts: let DAQ handle non-allow verdicts for GTP/Teredol6in4/4in6 traffic
- enum **alert\_syslog.facility** = auth: part of priority applied to each message { auth | authpriv | daemon | user | local0 | local1 | local2 | local3 | local4 | local5 | local6 | local7 }
- enum **alert\_syslog.level** = info: part of priority applied to each message { emerg | alert | crit | err | warning | notice | info | debug }
- multi alert\_syslog.options: used to open the syslog connection { cons | ndelay | perror | pid }
- string appid.app\_detector\_dir: directory to load AppId detectors from
- int appid.app\_stats\_period = 300: time period for collecting and logging AppId statistics { 0: }
- int appid.app\_stats\_rollover\_size = 20971520: max file size for AppId stats before rolling over the log file { 0: }
- int appid.app\_stats\_rollover\_time = 86400: max time period for collection AppId stats before rolling over the log file { 0: }
- string appid.conf: RNA configuration file
- bool **appid.debug** = false: enable AppId debug logging
- bool **appid.dump\_ports** = false: enable dump of AppId port information
- int **appid.instance\_id** = 0: instance id need more details for what this is { 0: }
- bool appid.log\_stats = false: enable logging of AppId statistics
- int appid.memcap = 268435456: time period for collecting and logging AppId statistics { 1048576:3221225472 }
- string appids.~: appid option
- addr appid.session\_log\_filter.dst\_ip = 0.0.0.0/32: destination ip address in CIDR format
- port appid.session\_log\_filter.dst\_port: destination port { 1: }
- bool appid.session\_log\_filter.log\_all\_sessions = false: enable logging for all appid sessions
- string appid.session log filter.protocol: ip protocol
- addr appid.session\_log\_filter.src\_ip = 0.0.0.0/32: source ip address in CIDR format
- port appid.session\_log\_filter.src\_port: source port { 1: }
- string appid.thirdparty\_appid\_dir: directory to load thirdparty AppId detectors from
- ip4 arp\_spoof.hosts[].ip: host ip address
- mac arp spoof.hosts[].mac: host mac address
- int asn1.absolute offset: Absolute offset from the beginning of the packet. { 0: }
- implied asn1.bitstring\_overflow: Detects invalid bitstring encodings that are known to be remotely exploitable.
- implied asn1.double\_overflow: Detects a double ASCII encoding that is larger than a standard buffer.

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- int asn1.oversize length: Compares ASN.1 type lengths with the supplied argument. { 0: }
- implied asn1.print: dump decode data to console; always true
- int asn1.relative\_offset: relative offset from the cursor.
- int attribute\_table.max\_hosts = 1024: maximum number of hosts in attribute table { 32:207551 }
- int attribute\_table.max\_metadata\_services = 8: maximum number of services in rule metadata { 1:256 }
- int attribute\_table.max\_services\_per\_host = 8: maximum number of services per host entry in attribute table { 1:65535 }
- int base64 decode.bytes: Number of base64 encoded bytes to decode. { 1: }
- int base64\_decode.offset = 0: Bytes past start of buffer to start decoding. { 0: }
- implied base64\_decode.relative: Apply offset to cursor instead of start of buffer.
- enum binder[].use.action = inspect: what to do with matching traffic { reset | block | allow | inspect }
- string binder[].use.file: use configuration in given file
- string **binder[].use.name**: symbol name (defaults to type)
- string binder[].use.service: override automatic service identification
- string binder[].use.type: select module for binding
- bit\_list binder[].when.ifaces: list of interface indices { 255 }
- addr\_list binder[].when.nets: list of networks
- int binder[].when.policy\_id = 0: unique ID for selection of this config by external logic { 0: }
- bit\_list binder[].when.ports: list of ports { 65535 }
- enum binder[].when.proto: protocol { any | ip | icmp | tcp | udp | user | file }
- enum binder[].when.role = any: use the given configuration on one or any end of a session { client | server | any }
- string binder[].when.service: override default configuration
- bit\_list binder[].when.vlans: list of VLAN IDs { 4095 }
- string **bufferlen.~range**: len | min<>max | <max | >min
- int byte\_extract.align = 0: round the number of converted bytes up to the next 2- or 4-byte boundary { 0:4 }
- implied byte\_extract.big: big endian
- int byte\_extract.~count: number of bytes to pick up from the buffer { 1:10 }
- implied byte\_extract.dce: dcerpc2 determines endianness
- implied byte\_extract.dec: convert from decimal string
- implied byte\_extract.hex: convert from hex string
- implied byte\_extract.little: little endian
- int **byte\_extract.multiplier** = 1: scale extracted value by given amount { 1:65535 }
- string byte\_extract.~name: name of the variable that will be used in other rule options
- implied byte\_extract.oct: convert from octal string
- int byte\_extract.~offset: number of bytes into the buffer to start processing { -65535:65535 }
- implied byte\_extract.relative: offset from cursor instead of start of buffer

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- implied byte extract.string: convert from string
- int byte\_jump.align = 0: round the number of converted bytes up to the next 2- or 4-byte boundary { 0:4 }
- implied byte\_jump.big: big endian
- int **byte\_jump.~count**: number of bytes to pick up from the buffer { 1:10 }
- implied byte\_jump.dce: dcerpc2 determines endianness
- implied byte\_jump.dec: convert from decimal string
- implied byte\_jump.from\_beginning: jump from start of buffer instead of cursor
- implied byte\_jump.hex: convert from hex string
- implied byte\_jump.little: little endian
- int **byte\_jump.multiplier** = 1: scale extracted value by given amount { 1:65535 }
- implied byte\_jump.oct: convert from octal string
- string **byte\_jump.~offset**: variable name or number of bytes into the buffer to start processing
- int **byte\_jump.post\_offset** = 0: also skip forward or backwards (positive of negative value) this number of bytes { -65535:65535 }
- implied byte\_jump.relative: offset from cursor instead of start of buffer
- implied byte\_jump.string: convert from string
- implied byte\_test.big: big endian
- string byte\_test.~compare: variable name or value to test the converted result against
- int byte\_test.~count: number of bytes to pick up from the buffer { 1:10 }
- implied byte\_test.dce: dcerpc2 determines endianness
- implied byte test.dec: convert from decimal string
- implied byte\_test.hex: convert from hex string
- implied byte\_test.little: little endian
- implied byte\_test.oct: convert from octal string
- string byte\_test.~offset: variable name or number of bytes into the payload to start processing
- string byte\_test.~operator: variable name or number of bytes into the buffer to start processing
- implied byte\_test.relative: offset from cursor instead of start of buffer
- implied byte\_test.string: convert from string
- string classifications[].name: name used with classtype rule option
- int **classifications**[].**priority** = 1: default priority for class { 0: }
- string classifications[].text: description of class
- string classtype.~: classification for this rule
- string content.~data: data to match
- string content.depth: var or maximum number of bytes to search from beginning of buffer
- string content.distance: var or number of bytes from cursor to start search

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- int content.fast pattern length: maximum number of characters from this content the fast pattern matcher should use { 1: }
- int **content.fast\_pattern\_offset** = 0: number of leading characters of this content the fast pattern matcher should exclude { 0: }
- implied content.fast pattern: use this content in the fast pattern matcher instead of the content selected by default
- implied content.nocase: case insensitive match
- string content.offset: var or number of bytes from start of buffer to start search
- string content.within: var or maximum number of bytes to search from cursor
- implied cvs.invalid-entry: looks for an invalid Entry string
- string daq.input\_spec: input specification
- int dag.instances[].id: instance ID (required) { 0: }
- string daq.instances[].input\_spec: input specification
- string daq.instances[].variables[].str: string parameter
- string daq.module: DAQ module to use
- string daq.module\_dirs[].str: string parameter
- bool daq.no\_promisc = false: whether to put DAQ device into promiscuous mode
- int daq.snaplen: set snap length (same as -s) { 0:65535 }
- string daq.variables[].str: string parameter
- implied dce\_iface.any\_frag: match on any fragment
- string dce\_iface.uuid: match given dcerpc uuid
- string dce\_iface.version: interface version
- string dce\_opnum.~: match given dcerpc operation number, range or list
- bool dce\_smb.disable\_defrag = false: Disable DCE/RPC defragmentation
- int dce\_smb.max\_frag\_len = 65535: Maximum fragment size for defragmentation { 1514:65535 }
- enum **dce\_smb.policy** = WinXP: Target based policy to use { Win2000 | WinXP | WinVista | Win2003 | Win2008 | Win7 | Samba | Samba-3.0.37 | Samba-3.0.22 | Samba-3.0.20 }
- int dce\_smb.reassemble\_threshold = 0: Minimum bytes received before performing reassembly { 0:65535 }
- int dce\_smb.smb\_file\_depth = 16384: SMB file depth for file data { -1: }
- enum dce smb.smb file inspection = off: SMB file inspection { off | on | only }
- enum dce smb.smb fingerprint policy = none: Target based SMB policy to use { none | client | server | both }
- string dce\_smb.smb\_invalid\_shares: SMB shares to alert on
- bool dce\_smb.smb\_legacy\_mode = false: inspect only SMBv1
- int dce\_smb.smb\_max\_chain = 3: SMB max chain size { 0:255 }
- int dce smb.smb max compound = 3: SMB max compound size { 0:255 }
- multi dce smb.valid smb versions = all: Valid SMB versions { v1 | v2 | all }
- bool dce\_tcp.disable\_defrag = false: Disable DCE/RPC defragmentation
- int dce\_tcp.max\_frag\_len = 65535: Maximum fragment size for defragmentation { 1514:65535 }

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• enum **dce\_tcp.policy** = WinXP: Target based policy to use { Win2000 | WinXP | WinVista | Win2003 | Win2008 | Win7 | Samba | Samba-3.0.37 | Samba-3.0.22 | Samba-3.0.20 }

- int dce\_tcp.reassemble\_threshold = 0: Minimum bytes received before performing reassembly { 0:65535 }
- bool dce udp.disable defrag = false: Disable DCE/RPC defragmentation
- int dce\_udp.max\_frag\_len = 65535: Maximum fragment size for defragmentation { 1514:65535 }
- int **detection.asn1** = 256: maximum decode nodes { 1: }
- int **detection\_filter.count**: hits in interval before allowing the rule to fire { 1: }
- int **detection\_filter.seconds**: length of interval to count hits { 1: }
- enum detection filter.track: track hits by source or destination IP address { by src | by dst }
- bool **detection.pcre\_enable** = true: disable pcre pattern matching
- int **detection.pcre\_match\_limit** = 1500: limit pcre backtracking, -1 = max, 0 = off { -1:1000000 }
- int **detection.pcre\_match\_limit\_recursion** = 1500: limit pcre stack consumption, -1 = max, 0 = off { -1:10000 }
- bool dnp3.check\_crc = false: validate checksums in DNP3 link layer frames
- string dnp3\_func.~: match dnp3 function code or name
- string dnp3\_ind.~: match given dnp3 indicator flags
- int **dnp3\_obj.group** = 0: match given dnp3 object header group { 0:255 }
- int **dnp3\_obj.var** = 0: match given dnp3 object header var { 0:255 }
- string **dsize.~range**: check if packet payload size is *size* | *min*<>*max* | <*max* | >*min*
- bool **esp.decode esp** = false: enable for inspection of esp traffic that has authentication but not encryption
- int event\_filter[].count = 0: number of events in interval before tripping; -1 to disable { -1: }
- int event filter[].gid = 1: rule generator ID { 0: }
- string event\_filter[].ip: restrict filter to these addresses according to track
- int event\_filter[].seconds = 0: count interval { 0: }
- int event\_filter[].sid = 1: rule signature ID { 0: }
- enum event\_filter[].track: filter only matching source or destination addresses { by\_src | by\_dst }
- enum event\_filter[].type: 1st count events | every count events | once after count events { limit | threshold | both }
- int event\_queue.log = 3: maximum events to log { 1: }
- int event\_queue.max\_queue = 8: maximum events to queue { 1: }
- enum event\_queue.order\_events = content\_length: criteria for ordering incoming events { priority|content\_length }
- bool event\_queue.process\_all\_events = false: process just first action group or all action groups
- string file\_connector.connector: connector name
- enum **file\_connector.direction**: usage { receive | transmit | duplex }
- enum file\_connector.format: file format { binary | text }
- string file\_connector.name: channel name
- int file\_id.block\_timeout = 86400: stop blocking after this many seconds { 0: }

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- bool **file\_id.block\_timeout\_lookup** = false: block if lookup times out
- int file id.capture block size = 32768: file capture block size in bytes { 8: }
- int file\_id.capture\_max\_size = 1048576: stop file capture beyond this point { 0: }
- int **file\_id.capture\_memcap** = 100: memcap for file capture in megabytes { 0: }
- int **file\_id.capture\_min\_size** = 0: stop file capture if file size less than this { 0: }
- bool file\_id.enable\_capture = false: enable file capture
- bool file id.enable signature = false: enable signature calculation
- bool file\_id.enable\_type = false: enable type ID
- bool **file\_id.file\_policy[].use.enable\_file\_capture** = false: true/false → enable/disable file capture
- bool file\_id.file\_policy[].use.enable\_file\_signature = false: true/false → enable/disable file signature
- bool file\_id.file\_policy[].use.enable\_file\_type = false: true/false → enable/disable file type identification
- enum **file\_id.file\_policy**[].**use.verdict** = unknown: what to do with matching traffic { unknown | log | stop | block | reset }
- int file\_id.file\_policy[].when.file\_type\_id = 0: unique ID for file type in file magic rule { 0: }
- string file\_id.file\_policy[].when.sha256: SHA 256
- string file\_id.file\_rules[].category: file type category
- int file\_id.file\_rules[].id = 0: file type id { 0: }
- string file\_id.file\_rules[].magic[].content: file magic content
- int file\_id.file\_rules[].magic[].offset = 0: file magic offset { 0: }
- string  $file\_id.file\_rules[].msg$ : information about the file type
- int file\_id.file\_rules[].rev = 0: rule revision { 0: }
- string file\_id.file\_rules[].type: file type name
- string file\_id.file\_rules[].version: file type version
- int file\_id.lookup\_timeout = 2: give up on lookup after this many seconds { 0: }
- int file\_id.max\_files\_cached = 65536: maximal number of files cached in memory { 8: }
- int file\_id.show\_data\_depth = 100: print this many octets { 0: }
- int file\_id.signature\_depth = 10485760: stop signature at this point { 0: }
- bool file\_id.trace\_signature = false: enable runtime dump of signature info
- bool file id.trace stream = false: enable runtime dump of file data
- bool file\_id.trace\_type = false: enable runtime dump of type info
- int **file\_id.type\_depth** = 1460: stop type ID at this point { 0: }
- bool file\_log.log\_pkt\_time = true: log the packet time when event generated
- bool file\_log.log\_sys\_time = false: log the system time when event generated
- string file\_type.~: list of file type IDs to match
- string flags.~mask\_flags: these flags are don't cares
- string flags.~test\_flags: these flags are tested

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- string flowbits.~arg1: bits or group
- string flowbits.~arg2: group if arg1 is bits
- string flowbits.~command: setlresetlissetletc.
- implied flow.established: match only during data transfer phase
- implied flow.from\_client: same as to\_server
- implied flow.from\_server: same as to\_client
- implied flow.no frag: match on raw packets only
- implied flow.no\_stream: match on raw packets only
- implied flow.not\_established: match only outside data transfer phase
- implied flow.only\_frag: match on defragmented packets only
- implied **flow.only** stream: match on reassembled packets only
- implied flow.stateless: match regardless of stream state
- implied flow.to\_client: match on server responses
- implied flow.to\_server: match on client requests
- string fragbits.~flags: these flags are tested
- string **fragoffset.~range**: check if ip fragment offset value is *value* | *min*<>*max* | <*max* | >*min*
- bool **ftp\_client.bounce** = false: check for bounces
- addr ftp client.bounce to [].address = 1.0.0.0/32; allowed ip address in CIDR format
- port ftp\_client.bounce\_to[].last\_port: optional allowed range from port to last\_port inclusive { 0: }
- port **ftp\_client.bounce\_to[].port** = 20: allowed port { 1: }
- bool **ftp\_client.ignore\_telnet\_erase\_cmds** = false: ignore erase character and erase line commands when normalizing
- int ftp\_client.max\_resp\_len = -1: maximum ftp response accepted by client { -1: }
- bool **ftp\_client.telnet\_cmds** = false: detect telnet escape sequences on ftp control channel
- bool ftp\_server.check\_encrypted = false: check for end of encryption
- string ftp\_server.chk\_str\_fmt: check the formatting of the given commands
- string ftp\_server.cmd\_validity[].command: command string
- string ftp\_server.cmd\_validity[].format: format specification
- int ftp\_server.cmd\_validity[].length = 0: specify non-default maximum for command { 0: }
- string ftp\_server.data\_chan\_cmds: check the formatting of the given commands
- string ftp\_server.data\_rest\_cmds: check the formatting of the given commands
- string ftp\_server.data\_xfer\_cmds: check the formatting of the given commands
- int ftp\_server.def\_max\_param\_len = 100: default maximum length of commands handled by server; 0 is unlimited { 1: }
- string ftp\_server.directory\_cmds[].dir\_cmd: directory command
- int ftp\_server.directory\_cmds[].rsp\_code = 200: expected successful response code for command { 200: }
- string ftp\_server.encr\_cmds: check the formatting of the given commands

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- bool ftp server.encrypted traffic = false: check for encrypted telnet and ftp
- string ftp\_server.file\_get\_cmds: check the formatting of the given commands
- string ftp\_server.file\_put\_cmds: check the formatting of the given commands
- string ftp\_server.ftp\_cmds: specify additional commands supported by server beyond RFC 959
- bool ftp\_server.ignore\_data\_chan = false: do not inspect ftp data channels
- bool ftp\_server.ignore\_telnet\_erase\_cmds = false: ignore erase character and erase line commands when normalizing
- string ftp\_server.login\_cmds: check the formatting of the given commands
- bool ftp\_server.print\_cmds = false: print command configurations on start up
- bool ftp\_server.telnet\_cmds = false: detect telnet escape sequences of ftp control channel
- int **gid.**~: generator id { 1: }
- string **gtp\_info.~**: info element to match
- int **gtp\_inspect[].infos[].length** = 0: information element type code { 0:255 }
- string **gtp inspect[].infos[].name**: information element name
- int gtp\_inspect[].infos[].type = 0: information element type code { 0:255 }
- string gtp\_inspect[].messages[].name: message name
- int gtp\_inspect[].messages[].type = 0: message type code { 0:255 }
- int **gtp\_inspect[].version** = 2: gtp version { 0:2 }
- string **gtp\_type.~**: list of types to match
- int **gtp\_version.~**: version to match { 0:2 }
- bool high\_availability.daq\_channel = false: enable use of daq data plane channel
- bool **high\_availability.enable** = false: enable high availability
- real **high\_availability.min\_age** = 1.0: minimum session life before HA updates { 0.0:100.0 }
- real **high\_availability.min\_sync** = 1.0: minimum interval between HA updates { 0.0:100.0 }
- bit\_list **high\_availability.ports**: side channel message port list { 65535 }
- int host\_cache[].size: size of host cache
- enum hosts[].frag\_policy: defragmentation policy { first | linux | bsd | bsd\_right | last | windows | solaris }
- addr **hosts**[].ip = 0.0.0.0/32: hosts address / cidr
- string hosts[].services[].name: service identifier
- port hosts[].services[].port: port number
- enum hosts[].services[].proto = tcp: ip protocol { tcp | udp }
- enum **hosts[].tcp\_policy**: tcp reassembly policy { first | last | linux | old\_linux | bsd | macos | solaris | irix | hpux11 | hpux10 | windows | win\_2003 | vista | proxy }
- enum host\_tracker[].frag\_policy: defragmentation policy { first | linux | bsd | bsd\_right | last | windows | solaris }
- addr host\_tracker[].ip = 0.0.0.0/32: hosts address / cidr
- string host\_tracker[].services[].name: service identifier

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- port host\_tracker[].services[].port: port number
- enum host\_tracker[].services[].proto = tcp: ip protocol { tcp | udp }
- enum **host\_tracker[].tcp\_policy**: tcp reassembly policy { first | last | linux | old\_linux | bsd | macos | solaris | irix | hpux11 | hpux10 | windows | win 2003 | vista | proxy }
- implied http\_cookie.request: Match against the cookie from the request message even when examining the response
- implied http\_cookie.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_cookie.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers
- string http\_header.field: Restrict to given header. Header name is case insensitive.
- implied http header.request: Match against the headers from the request message even when examining the response
- implied http\_header.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_header.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers
- bool http\_inspect.backslash\_to\_slash = false: replace \ with / when normalizing URIs
- bit\_list http\_inspect.bad\_characters: alert when any of specified bytes are present in URI after percent decoding { 255 }
- string http\_inspect.ignore\_unreserved: do not alert when the specified unreserved characters are percent-encoded in a URI.Unreserved characters are 0-9, a-z, A-Z, period, underscore, tilde, and minus. { (optional) }
- bool http\_inspect.iis\_double\_decode = false: perform double decoding of percent encodings to normalize characters
- int http\_inspect.iis\_unicode\_code\_page = 1252: code page to use from the IIS unicode map file { 0:65535 }
- bool http\_inspect.iis\_unicode = false: use IIS unicode code point mapping to normalize characters
- string http\_inspect.iis\_unicode\_map\_file: file containing code points for IIS unicode. { (optional) }
- bool http\_inspect.normalize\_utf = true: normalize charset utf encodings
- int http inspect.oversize dir length = 300: maximum length for URL directory { 1:65535 }
- bool http\_inspect.percent\_u = false: normalize %uNNNN and %UNNNN encodings
- bool http\_inspect.plus\_to\_space = true: replace + with <sp> when normalizing URIs
- int http\_inspect.print\_amount = 1200: number of characters to print from a Field { 1:1000000 }
- bool http\_inspect.print\_hex = false: nonprinting characters printed in [HH] format instead of using an asterisk
- int http inspect.request depth = -1: maximum request message body bytes to examine (-1 no limit) { -1: }
- int http\_inspect.response\_depth = -1: maximum response message body bytes to examine (-1 no limit) { -1: }
- bool **http\_inspect.show\_pegs** = true: display peg counts with test output
- bool **http\_inspect.simplify\_path** = true: reduce URI directory path to simplest form
- bool http\_inspect.test\_input = false: read HTTP messages from text file
- bool http\_inspect.test\_output = false: print out HTTP section data
- bool http inspect.unzip = true: decompress gzip and deflate message bodies
- bool http\_inspect.utf8\_bare\_byte = false: when doing UTF-8 character normalization include bytes that were not percent encoded
- bool http\_inspect.utf8 = true: normalize 2-byte and 3-byte UTF-8 characters to a single byte
- implied http\_method.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body

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- implied http\_method.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers
- implied http\_raw\_cookie.request: Match against the cookie from the request message even when examining the response
- implied http\_raw\_cookie.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_raw\_cookie.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers
- implied http\_raw\_header.request: Match against the headers from the request message even when examining the response
- implied http raw header.with body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_raw\_header.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers
- implied http\_raw\_request.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_raw\_request.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers
- implied http\_raw\_status.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_raw\_status.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers
- implied http raw trailer.request: Match against the trailers from the request message even when examining the response
- implied http\_raw\_trailer.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP response message body (must be combined with request)
- implied http\_raw\_trailer.with\_header: Parts of this rule examine HTTP response message headers (must be combined with request)
- implied http\_raw\_uri.fragment: match against fragment section of URI only
- implied http\_raw\_uri.host: match against host section of URI only
- implied http\_raw\_uri.path: match against path section of URI only
- implied http\_raw\_uri.port: match against port section of URI only
- implied http\_raw\_uri.query: match against query section of URI only
- implied http\_raw\_uri.scheme: match against scheme section of URI only
- implied http\_raw\_uri.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_raw\_uri.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers
- implied http\_stat\_code.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http stat code.with trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers
- implied http stat msg.with body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_stat\_msg.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers
- string http\_trailer.field: restrict to given trailer
- implied http\_trailer.request: Match against the trailers from the request message even when examining the response
- implied http\_trailer.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body (must be combined with request)
- implied http\_trailer.with\_header: Parts of this rule examine HTTP response message headers (must be combined with request)
- implied http\_uri.fragment: match against fragment section of URI only
- implied http\_uri.host: match against host section of URI only
- implied http\_uri.path: match against path section of URI only

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- implied http\_uri.port: match against port section of URI only
- implied http\_uri.query: match against query section of URI only
- implied http\_uri.scheme: match against scheme section of URI only
- implied http\_uri.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_uri.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers
- implied http\_version.request: Match against the version from the request message even when examining the response
- implied http\_version.with\_body: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message body
- implied http\_version.with\_trailer: Parts of this rule examine HTTP message trailers
- string icmp\_id.~range: check if icmp id is id | min<>max | <max | >min
- string icmp\_seq.~range: check if icmp sequence number is seq | min<>max | <max | >min
- string **icode.~range**: check if ICMP code is *code* | *min*<>*max* | <*max* | >*min*
- string id.~range: check if the IP ID is id | min<>max | <max | >min
- int imap.b64 decode depth = 1460: base64 decoding depth { -1:65535 }
- int imap.bitenc\_decode\_depth = 1460: Non-Encoded MIME attachment extraction depth { -1:65535 }
- int imap.qp\_decode\_depth = 1460: Quoted Printable decoding depth { -1:65535 }
- int imap.uu\_decode\_depth = 1460: Unix-to-Unix decoding depth { -1:65535 }
- select **ipopts.~opt**: output format { rrleollnopltslseclesecllsrrllsrrelssrrlsatidlany }
- string **ip\_proto.~proto**: [!|>|<] name or number
- bool **ips.enable\_builtin\_rules** = false: enable events from builtin rules w/o stubs
- int **ips.id** = 0: correlate unified2 events with configuration { 0:65535 }
- string ips.include: legacy snort rules and includes
- enum **ips.mode**: set policy mode { tap | inline | inline-test }
- string ips.rules: snort rules and includes
- string isdataat.~length: num | !num
- implied isdataat.relative: offset from cursor instead of start of buffer
- string **itype.~range**: check if icmp type is *type* | *min*<>*max* | <*max* | >*min*
- enum **latency.packet.action** = none: event action if packet times out and is fastpathed { none | alert | log | alert\_and\_log }
- bool **latency.packet.fastpath** = false: fastpath expensive packets (max\_time exceeded)
- int latency.packet.max\_time = 500: set timeout for packet latency thresholding (usec) { 0: }
- enum latency.rule.action = none: event action for rule latency enable and suspend events { none | alert | log | alert | and | log }
- int latency.rule.max\_suspend\_time = 30000: set max time for suspending a rule (ms, 0 means permanently disable rule) { 0: }
- int latency.rule.max\_time = 500: set timeout for rule evaluation (usec) { 0: }
- bool **latency.rule.suspend** = false: temporarily suspend expensive rules
- int latency.rule.suspend\_threshold = 5: set threshold for number of timeouts before suspending a rule { 1: }

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- bool **log\_codecs.file** = false: output to log\_codecs.txt instead of stdout
- bool log\_codecs.msg = false: include alert msg
- bool log\_hext.file = false: output to log\_hext.txt instead of stdout
- int log\_hext.limit = 0: set limit (0 is unlimited) { 0: }
- bool log\_hext.raw = false: output all full packets if true, else just TCP payload
- enum  $log_hext.units = B$ : bytes | KB | MB | GB { B | K | M | G }
- int log\_hext.width = 20: set line width (0 is unlimited) { 0: }
- int **log\_pcap.limit** = 0: set limit (0 is unlimited) { 0: }
- enum log\_pcap.units = B: bytes | KB | MB | GB { B | K | M | G }
- string md5.~hash: data to match
- int **md5.length**: number of octets in plain text { 1:65535 }
- string md5.offset: var or number of bytes from start of buffer to start search
- implied **md5.relative** = false: offset from cursor instead of start of buffer
- int **memory.cap** = 0: set the per-packet-thread cap on memory (bytes, 0 to disable) { 0: }
- bool **memory.soft** = false: always succeed in allocating memory, even if above the cap
- int **memory.threshold** = 0: set the per-packet-thread threshold for preemptive cleanup actions (percent, 0 to disable) { 0: }
- string **metadata.**\*: additional parameters not used by snort
- string metadata.service: service name
- string modbus\_func.~: function code to match
- int modbus\_unit.~: modbus unit ID { 0:255 }
- bool mpls.enable\_mpls\_multicast = false: enables support for MPLS multicast
- bool **mpls.enable\_mpls\_overlapping\_ip** = false: enable if private network addresses overlap and must be differentiated by MPLS label(s)
- int mpls.max\_mpls\_stack\_depth = -1: set MPLS stack depth { -1: }
- enum **mpls.mpls\_payload\_type** = ip4: set encapsulated payload type { eth | ip4 | ip6 }
- string msg.~: message describing rule
- multi **network.checksum\_drop** = none: drop if checksum is bad { all | ip | noip | tcp | notcp | udp | noudp | icmp | noicmp | none }
- multi **network.checksum\_eval** = none: checksums to verify { all | ip | noip | tcp | notcp | udp | noudp | icmp | noicmp | none }
- bool **network.decode\_drops** = false: enable dropping of packets by the decoder
- int **network.id** = 0: correlate unified2 events with configuration { 0:65535 }
- int **network.layers** = 40: The maximum number of protocols that Snort can correctly decode { 3:255 }
- int **network.max\_ip6\_extensions** = 0: The number of IP6 options Snort will process for a given IPv6 layer. If this limit is hit, rule 116:456 may fire. 0 = unlimited { 0:255 }
- int **network.max\_ip\_layers** = 0: The maximum number of IP layers Snort will process for a given packet If this limit is hit, rule 116:293 may fire. 0 = unlimited { 0:255 }

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• int **network.min\_ttl** = 1: alert / normalize packets with lower ttl / hop limit (you must enable rules and / or normalization also) { 1:255 }

- int **network.new\_ttl** = 1: use this value for responses and when normalizing { 1:255 }
- bool **normalizer.icmp4** = false: clear reserved flag
- bool **normalizer.icmp6** = false: clear reserved flag
- bool **normalizer.ip4.base** = true: clear options
- bool **normalizer.ip4.df** = false: clear don't frag flag
- bool **normalizer.ip4.rf** = false: clear reserved flag
- bool **normalizer.ip4.tos** = false: clear tos / differentiated services byte
- bool **normalizer.ip4.trim** = false: truncate excess payload beyond datagram length
- bool **normalizer.ip6** = false: clear reserved flag
- string **normalizer.tcp.allow\_codes**: don't clear given option codes
- multi **normalizer.tcp.allow\_names**: don't clear given option names { sack | echo | partial\_order | conn\_count | alt\_checksum | md5 }
- bool **normalizer.tcp.base** = true: clear reserved bits and option padding and fix urgent pointer / flags issues
- bool **normalizer.tcp.block** = true: allow packet drops during TCP normalization
- select **normalizer.tcp.ecn** = off: clear ecn for all packets | sessions w/o ecn setup { off | packet | stream }
- bool **normalizer.tcp.ips** = false: ensure consistency in retransmitted data
- bool **normalizer.tcp.opts** = true: clear all options except mss, wscale, timestamp, and any explicitly allowed
- bool **normalizer.tcp.pad** = true: clear any option padding bytes
- bool **normalizer.tcp.req\_pay** = true: clear the urgent pointer and the urgent flag if there is no payload
- bool **normalizer.tcp.req\_urg** = true: clear the urgent pointer if the urgent flag is not set
- bool **normalizer.tcp.req\_urp** = true: clear the urgent flag if the urgent pointer is not set
- bool **normalizer.tcp.rsv** = true: clear the reserved bits in the TCP header
- bool **normalizer.tcp.trim** = false: enable all of the TCP trim options
- bool **normalizer.tcp.trim mss** = false: trim data to MSS
- bool **normalizer.tcp.trim rst** = false: remove any data from RST packet
- bool **normalizer.tcp.trim\_syn** = false: remove data on SYN
- bool **normalizer.tcp.trim\_win** = false: trim data to window
- bool **normalizer.tcp.urp** = true: adjust urgent pointer if beyond segment length
- bool **output.dump\_chars\_only** = false: turns on character dumps (same as -C)
- bool **output.dump\_payload** = false: dumps application layer (same as -d)
- bool **output.dump payload verbose** = false: dumps raw packet starting at link layer (same as -X)
- int **output.event trace.max data** = 0: maximum amount of packet data to capture { 0:65535 }
- string **output.logdir** = .: where to put log files (same as -l)
- bool output.log\_ipv6\_extra\_data = false: log IPv6 source and destination addresses as unified2 extra data records

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- bool **output.obfuscate** = false: obfuscate the logged IP addresses (same as -O)
- bool output.obfuscate\_pii = false: Mask all but the last 4 characters of credit card and social security numbers
- bool **output.quiet** = false: suppress non-fatal information (still show alerts, same as -q)
- bool **output.show\_year** = false: include year in timestamp in the alert and log files (same as -y)
- int output.tagged\_packet\_limit = 256: maximum number of packets tagged for non-packet metrics { 0: }
- bool **output.verbose** = false: be verbose (same as -v)
- bool **packet\_capture.enable** = false: initially enable packet dumping
- string packet\_capture.filter: bpf filter to use for packet dump
- bool **packets.address\_space\_agnostic** = false: determines whether DAQ address space info is used to track fragments and connections
- string packets.bpf\_file: file with BPF to select traffic for Snort
- int packets.limit = 0: maximum number of packets to process before stopping (0 is unlimited) { 0: }
- int packets.skip = 0: number of packets to skip before before processing { 0: }
- bool packets.vlan\_agnostic = false: determines whether VLAN info is used to track fragments and connections
- string pcre.~re: Snort regular expression
- bool **perf\_monitor.base** = true: enable base statistics { nullptr }
- bool **perf\_monitor.cpu** = false: enable cpu statistics { nullptr }
- bool **perf\_monitor.flow** = false: enable traffic statistics
- bool **perf monitor.flow ip** = false: enable statistics on host pairs
- int **perf\_monitor.flow\_ip\_memcap** = 52428800: maximum memory for flow tracking { 8200: }
- int **perf monitor.flow ports** = 1023: maximum ports to track { 0:65535 }
- enum **perf\_monitor.format** = csv: Output format for stats { csv | text }
- int **perf\_monitor.max\_file\_size** = 1073741824: files will be rolled over if they exceed this size { 4096: }
- string **perf\_monitor.modules[].name**: name of the module
- string **perf\_monitor.modules**[].**pegs**: list of statistics to track or empty for all counters
- enum **perf\_monitor.output** = file: Output location for stats { file | console }
- int **perf\_monitor.packets** = 10000: minimum packets to report { 0: }
- int **perf\_monitor.seconds** = 60: report interval { 1: }
- bool **perf\_monitor.summary** = false: Output summary at shutdown
- int **pop.b64\_decode\_depth** = 1460: base64 decoding depth { -1:65535 }
- int **pop.bitenc\_decode\_depth** = 1460: Non-Encoded MIME attachment extraction depth { -1:65535 }
- int **pop.qp\_decode\_depth** = 1460: Quoted Printable decoding depth { -1:65535 }
- int **pop.uu\_decode\_depth** = 1460: Unix-to-Unix decoding depth { -1:65535 }
- int **port\_scan\_global.memcap** = 1048576: maximum tracker memory { 1: }
- string port\_scan.ignore\_scanned: list of CIDRs with optional ports to ignore if the destination of scan alerts

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- string port scan.ignore scanners: list of CIDRs with optional ports to ignore if the source of scan alerts
- bool **port\_scan.include\_midstream** = false: list of CIDRs with optional ports
- bool **port\_scan.logfile** = false: write scan events to file
- multi port\_scan.protos = all: choose the protocols to monitor { tcp | udp | icmp | ip | all }
- multi **port\_scan.scan\_types** = all: choose type of scans to look for { portscan | portsweep | decoy\_portscan | distributed\_portscan | all }
- enum **port\_scan.sense\_level** = medium: choose the level of detection { low | medium | high }
- string port\_scan.watch\_ip: list of CIDRs with optional ports to watch
- int **priority.~**: relative severity level; 1 is highest priority { 1: }
- string **process.chroot**: set chroot directory (same as -t)
- bool **process.daemon** = false: fork as a daemon (same as -D)
- bool **process.dirty\_pig** = false: shutdown without internal cleanup
- string **process.set\_gid**: set group ID (same as -g)
- string **process.set\_uid**: set user ID (same as -u)
- string **process.threads**[].cpuset: pin the associated thread to this cpuset
- int **process.threads**[].thread = 0: set cpu affinity for the <cur\_thread\_num> thread that runs { 0: }
- string **process.umask**: set process umask (same as -m)
- bool **process.utc** = false: use UTC instead of local time for timestamps
- int **profiler.memory.count** = 0: limit results to count items per level (0 = no limit) { 0: }
- int **profiler.memory.max\_depth** = -1: limit depth to max\_depth (-1 = no limit) { -1: }
- bool **profiler.memory.show** = true: show module memory profile stats
- enum **profiler.memory.sort** = total\_used: sort by given field { none | allocations | total\_used | avg\_allocation }
- int **profiler.modules.count** = 0: limit results to count items per level (0 = no limit) { 0: }
- int **profiler.modules.max\_depth** = -1: limit depth to max\_depth (-1 = no limit) { -1: }
- bool **profiler.modules.show** = true: show module time profile stats
- enum **profiler.modules.sort** = total\_time: sort by given field { none | checks | avg\_check | total\_time }
- int **profiler.rules.count** = 0: print results to given level (0 = all) { 0: }
- bool **profiler.rules.show** = true: show rule time profile stats
- enum **profiler.rules.sort** = total\_time: sort by given field { none | checks | avg\_check | total\_time | matches | no\_matches | avg\_match | avg\_no\_match }
- string rate\_filter[].apply\_to: restrict filter to these addresses according to track
- int rate\_filter[].count = 1: number of events in interval before tripping { 0: }
- int rate filter[].gid = 1: rule generator ID { 0: }
- enum rate filter[].new action = alert: take this action on future hits until timeout { log | pass | alert | drop | block | reset }
- int rate\_filter[].seconds = 1: count interval { 0: }
- int rate\_filter[].sid = 1: rule signature ID { 0: }

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- int rate filter[].timeout = 1: count interval { 0: }
- enum rate\_filter[].track = by\_src: filter only matching source or destination addresses { by\_src | by\_dst | by\_rule }
- bool **react.msg** = false: use rule msg in response page instead of default message
- string **react.page**: file containing HTTP response (headers and body)
- string reference.~id: reference id
- string reference.~scheme: reference scheme
- string **references**[].name: name used with reference rule option
- string references[].url: where this reference is defined
- implied regex.dotall: matching a . will not exclude newlines
- implied regex.multiline: ^ and \$ anchors match any newlines in data
- implied regex.nocase: case insensitive match
- string regex.~re: hyperscan regular expression
- implied regex.relative: start search from end of last match instead of start of buffer
- enum **reject.control**: send icmp unreachable(s) { networklhostlportlall }
- enum **reject.reset**: send tcp reset to one or both ends { sourceldestlboth }
- string rem.~: comment
- string replace.~: byte code to replace with
- string reputation.blacklist: blacklist file name with ip lists
- int **reputation.memcap** = 500: maximum total memory allocated { 1:4095 }
- enum **reputation.nested\_ip** = inner: ip to use when there is IP encapsulation { innerlouterlall }
- enum **reputation.priority** = whitelist: defines priority when there is a decision conflict during run-time { blacklistlwhitelist }
- bool reputation.scan\_local = false: inspect local address defined in RFC 1918
- string **reputation.whitelist**: whitelist file name with ip lists
- enum **reputation.white** = unblack: specify the meaning of whitelist { unblack|trust }
- int **rev.~**: revision { 1: }
- int rpc.~app: application number
- int **rpc.proc**: procedure number or \* for any
- int **rpc.ver**: version number or \* for any
- bool rule\_state.enable = true: enable or disable rule in all policies
- int rule\_state.gid = 0: rule generator ID { 0: }
- int rule\_state.sid = 0: rule signature ID { 0: }
- string **sd\_pattern.~pattern**: The pattern to search for
- int **sd\_pattern.threshold**: number of matches before alerting { 1 }
- int search\_engine.bleedover\_port\_limit = 1024: maximum ports in rule before demotion to any-any port group { 1: }
- bool **search\_engine.bleedover\_warnings\_enabled** = false: print warning if a rule is demoted to any-any port group

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- bool **search engine.debug** = false: print verbose fast pattern info
- bool search\_engine.debug\_print\_nocontent\_rule\_tests = false: print rule group info during packet evaluation
- bool search\_engine.debug\_print\_rule\_group\_build\_details = false: print rule group info during compilation
- bool **search\_engine.debug\_print\_rule\_groups\_compiled** = false: prints compiled rule group information
- bool **search\_engine.debug\_print\_rule\_groups\_uncompiled** = false: prints uncompiled rule group information
- bool **search\_engine.enable\_single\_rule\_group** = false: put all rules into one group
- bool **search\_engine.inspect\_stream\_inserts** = false: inspect reassembled payload disabling is good for performance, bad for detection
- int search\_engine.max\_pattern\_len = 0: truncate patterns when compiling into state machine (0 means no maximum) { 0: }
- int search\_engine.max\_queue\_events = 5: maximum number of matching fast pattern states to queue per packet
- dynamic **search\_engine.search\_method** = ac\_bnfa: set fast pattern algorithm choose available search engine { ac\_banded | ac\_bnfa | ac\_full | ac\_sparse | ac\_sparse\_bands | ac\_std | hyperscan }
- bool search\_engine.search\_optimize = true: tweak state machine construction for better performance
- bool **search\_engine.show\_fast\_patterns** = false: print fast pattern info for each rule
- bool **search\_engine.split\_any\_any** = false: evaluate any-any rules separately to save memory
- string **seq.~range**: check if tcp sequence number value is *value* | *min*<>*max* | <*max* | >*min*
- enum **session.~mode**: output format { printable|binary|all }
- string sha256.~hash: data to match
- int sha256.length: number of octets in plain text { 1:65535 }
- string sha256.offset: var or number of bytes from start of buffer to start search
- implied **sha256.relative** = false: offset from cursor instead of start of buffer
- string sha512.~hash: data to match
- int sha512.length: number of octets in plain text { 1:65535 }
- string sha512.offset: var or number of bytes from start of buffer to start search
- implied sha512.relative = false: offset from cursor instead of start of buffer
- string side\_channel.connector: connector handle
- string side channel.connectors[].connector: connector handle
- bit list side channel.ports: side channel message port list { 65535 }
- int sid.~: signature id { 1: }
- bool **sip.ignore\_call\_channel** = false: enables the support for ignoring audio/video data channel
- int sip.max\_call\_id\_len = 256: maximum call id field size { 0:65535 }
- int sip.max\_contact\_len = 256: maximum contact field size { 0:65535 }
- int sip.max content len = 1024: maximum content length of the message body { 0:65535 }
- int sip.max dialogs = 4: maximum number of dialogs within one stream session { 1:4194303 }
- int sip.max\_from\_len = 256: maximum from field size { 0:65535 }
- int sip.max\_requestName\_len = 20: maximum request name field size { 0:65535 }

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- int sip.max sessions = 10000: maximum number of sessions that can be allocated { 1024:4194303 }
- int sip.max\_to\_len = 256: maximum to field size { 0:65535 }
- int sip.max\_uri\_len = 256: maximum request uri field size { 0:65535 }
- int sip.max\_via\_len = 1024: maximum via field size { 0:65535 }
- string sip\_method.\*method: sip method
- string **sip.methods** = invite cancel ack bye register options: list of methods to check in sip messages
- int sip\_stat\_code.\*code: stat code { 1:999 }
- string smtp.alt\_max\_command\_line\_len[].command: command string
- int smtp.alt\_max\_command\_line\_len[].length = 0: specify non-default maximum for command { 0: }
- string smtp.auth\_cmds: commands that initiate an authentication exchange
- int smtp.b64\_decode\_depth = 25: depth used to decode the base64 encoded MIME attachments { -1:65535 }
- string smtp.binary\_data\_cmds: commands that initiate sending of data and use a length value after the command
- int smtp.bitenc decode depth = 25: depth used to extract the non-encoded MIME attachments { -1:65535 }
- string smtp.data\_cmds: commands that initiate sending of data with an end of data delimiter
- int **smtp.email\_hdrs\_log\_depth** = 1464: depth for logging email headers { 0:20480 }
- bool **smtp.ignore\_data** = false: ignore data section of mail
- bool **smtp.ignore\_tls\_data** = false: ignore TLS-encrypted data when processing rules
- string smtp.invalid\_cmds: alert if this command is sent from client side
- bool **smtp.log\_email\_hdrs** = false: log the SMTP email headers extracted from SMTP data
- bool **smtp.log\_filename** = false: log the MIME attachment filenames extracted from the Content-Disposition header within the MIME body
- bool smtp.log\_mailfrom = false: log the sender's email address extracted from the MAIL FROM command
- bool smtp.log\_rcptto = false: log the recipient's email address extracted from the RCPT TO command
- int smtp.max\_auth\_command\_line\_len = 1000: max auth command Line Length { 0:65535 }
- int smtp.max\_command\_line\_len = 0: max Command Line Length { 0:65535 }
- int smtp.max\_header\_line\_len = 0: max SMTP DATA header line { 0:65535 }
- int **smtp.max\_response\_line\_len** = 0: max SMTP response line { 0:65535 }
- string smtp.normalize\_cmds: list of commands to normalize
- enum **smtp.normalize** = none: turns on/off normalization { none | cmds | all }
- int **smtp.qp\_decode\_depth** = 25: quoted-Printable decoding depth { -1:65535 }
- int **smtp.uu\_decode\_depth** = 25: unix-to-Unix decoding depth { -1:65535 }
- string smtp.valid\_cmds: list of valid commands
- enum **smtp.xlink2state** = alert: enable/disable xlink2state alert { disable | alert | drop }
- implied **snort.--alert-before-pass**: process alert, drop, sdrop, or reject before pass; default is pass before alert, drop,...
- string **snort.-A**: <mode> set alert mode: none, cmg, or alert\_\*

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• addr snort.-B = 255.255.255.255.32: <mask> obfuscated IP addresses in alerts and packet dumps using CIDR mask

- string **snort.--bpf**: <filter options> are standard BPF options, as seen in TCPDump
- string **snort.--c2x**: output hex for given char (see also --x2c)
- string snort.--catch-test: comma separated list of cat unit test tags or all
- string **snort.-c**: <conf> use this configuration
- implied **snort.-C**: print out payloads with character data only (no hex)
- implied snort.--create-pidfile: create PID file, even when not in Daemon mode
- string snort.--daq-dir: <dir> tell snort where to find desired DAQ
- implied snort .-- daq-list: list packet acquisition modules available in optional dir, default is static modules only
- string **snort.--daq**: <type> select packet acquisition module (default is pcap)
- string **snort.--daq-var**: <name=value> specify extra DAQ configuration variable
- implied **snort.-d**: dump the Application Layer
- implied snort.--dirty-pig: don't flush packets on shutdown
- implied snort.-D: run Snort in background (daemon) mode
- implied snort.--dump-builtin-rules: [<module prefix>] output stub rules for selected modules
- string **snort.--dump-defaults**: [<module prefix>] output module defaults in Lua format { (optional) }
- implied snort.--dump-dynamic-rules: output stub rules for all loaded rules libraries
- implied snort.--dump-version: output the version, the whole version, and only the version
- implied **snort.-e**: display the second layer header info
- implied snort.--enable-inline-test: enable Inline-Test Mode Operation
- implied snort.-f: turn off fflush() calls after binary log writes
- int **snort.-G**: <0xid> (same as --logid) { 0:65535 }
- string **snort.-g**: <gname> run snort gid as <gname> group (or gid) after initialization
- string **snort.--help-commands**: [<module prefix>] output matching commands { (optional) }
- string **snort.--help-config**: [<module prefix>] output matching config options { (optional) }
- string **snort.--help-counts**: [<module prefix>] output matching peg counts { (optional) }
- implied **snort.--help**: list command line options
- string **snort.--help-module**: <module> output description of given module
- implied **snort.--help-modules**: list all available modules with brief help
- string **snort.--help-options**: <option prefix> output matching command line option quick help (same as -?) { (optional) }
- implied snort.--help-plugins: list all available plugins with brief help
- implied snort.--help-signals: dump available control signals
- implied snort.-H: make hash tables deterministic
- implied snort.--id-subdir: create/use instance subdirectories in logdir instead of instance filename prefix
- implied **snort.--id-zero**: use id prefix / subdirectory even with one packet thread

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- string **snort.-i**: <iface>... list of interfaces
- port **snort.-j**: <port> to listen for telnet connections
- enum snort.-k = all: <mode> checksum mode; default is all { all|noip|notcp|noudp|noicmp|none }
- implied **snort.--list-buffers**: output available inspection buffers
- string **snort.--list-builtin**: <module prefix> output matching builtin rules { (optional) }
- string **snort.--list-gids**: [<module prefix>] output matching generators { (optional) }
- string **snort.--list-modules**: [<module type>] list all known modules of given type { (optional) }
- implied snort.--list-plugins: list all known plugins
- string snort.-1: <logdir> log to this directory instead of current directory
- string **snort.-L**: <mode> logging mode (none, dump, pcap, or log\_\*)
- int snort.--logid: <0xid> log Identifier to uniquely id events for multiple snorts (same as -G) { 0:65535 }
- string snort.--lua: <chunk> extend/override conf with chunk; may be repeated
- implied snort.--markup: output help in asciidoc compatible format
- int **snort.--max-packet-threads** = 1: <count> configure maximum number of packet threads (same as -z) { 0: }
- implied **snort.-M**: log messages to syslog (not alerts)
- int **snort.-m**: <umask> set umask = <umask> { 0: }
- int **snort.-n**: <count> stop after count packets { 0: }
- implied **snort.--nolock-pidfile**: do not try to lock Snort PID file
- implied snort.--nostamps: don't include timestamps in log file names
- implied snort.-O: obfuscate the logged IP addresses
- string snort.-?: <option prefix> output matching command line option quick help (same as --help-options) { (optional) }
- implied snort.--pause: wait for resume/quit command before processing packets/terminating
- string snort.--pcap-dir: <dir> a directory to recurse to look for pcaps read mode is implied
- string snort.--pcap-file: <file> file that contains a list of pcaps to read read mode is implied
- string snort.--pcap-filter: <filter> filter to apply when getting pcaps from file or directory
- string snort.--pcap-list: stri
- int snort.--pcap-loop: <count> read all pcaps <count> times; 0 will read until Snort is terminated { -1: }
- implied **snort.--pcap-no-filter**: reset to use no filter when getting pcaps from file or directory
- implied snort.--pcap-reload: if reading multiple pcaps, reload snort config between pcaps
- implied snort.--pcap-show: print a line saying what pcap is currently being read
- implied **snort.--pedantic**: warnings are fatal
- implied **snort.--piglet**: enable piglet test harness mode
- string **snort.--plugin-path**: <path> where to find plugins
- implied snort.--process-all-events: process all action groups
- implied **snort.-Q**: enable inline mode operation

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- implied **snort.-q**: quiet mode Don't show banner and status report
- string **snort.-r**: <pcap>... (same as --pcap-list)
- string **snort.-R**: <rules> include this rules file in the default policy
- string **snort.--rule**: <rules> to be added to configuration; may be repeated
- implied snort.--rule-to-hex: output so rule header to stdout for text rule on stdin
- implied snort.--rule-to-text: output plain so rule header to stdout for text rule on stdin
- string **snort.--run-prefix**: <pfx> prepend this to each output file
- int **snort.-s** = 1514: <snap> (same as --snaplen); default is 1514 { 68:65535 }
- string snort.--script-path: <path> to a luajit script or directory containing luajit scripts
- implied **snort.--shell**: enable the interactive command line
- implied **snort.--show-plugins**: list module and plugin versions
- int **snort.--skip**: <n> skip 1st n packets { 0: }
- int **snort.--snaplen** = 1514: <snap> set snaplen of packet (same as -s) { 68:65535 }
- implied snort.--stdin-rules: read rules from stdin until EOF or a line starting with END is read
- string **snort.-S**: <x=v> set config variable x equal to value v
- string **snort.-t**: <dir> chroots process to <dir> after initialization
- implied snort.--treat-drop-as-alert: converts drop, sdrop, and reject rules into alert rules during startup
- implied snort.--treat-drop-as-ignore: use drop, sdrop, and reject rules to ignore session traffic when not inline
- implied **snort.-T**: test and report on the current Snort configuration
- string **snort.-u**: <uname> run snort as <uname> or <uid> after initialization
- implied **snort.-U**: use UTC for timestamps
- implied **snort.-v**: be verbose
- implied **snort.--version**: show version number (same as -V)
- implied **snort.-V**: (same as --version)
- implied snort.--warn-all: enable all warnings
- implied **snort.--warn-conf**: warn about configuration issues
- implied snort.--warn-daq: warn about DAQ issues, usually related to mode
- implied snort.--warn-flowbits: warn about flowbits that are checked but not set and vice-versa
- implied snort.--warn-hosts: warn about host table issues
- implied snort.--warn-plugins: warn about issues that prevent plugins from loading
- implied snort.--warn-rules: warn about duplicate rules and rule parsing issues
- implied snort.--warn-scripts: warn about issues discovered while processing Lua scripts
- implied snort.--warn-symbols: warn about unknown symbols in your Lua config
- implied snort.--warn-vars: warn about variable definition and usage issues
- implied snort.-W: lists available interfaces

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- int **snort.--x2c**: output ASCII char for given hex (see also --c2x)
- string snort.--x2s: output ASCII string for given byte code (see also --x2c)
- implied **snort.-X**: dump the raw packet data starting at the link layer
- implied snort.-x: same as --pedantic
- implied **snort.-y**: include year in timestamp in the alert and log files
- int **snort.-z** = 1: <count> maximum number of packet threads (same as --max-packet-threads); 0 gets the number of CPU cores reported by the system; default is 1 { 0: }
- string so.~func: name of eval function
- string soid.~: SO rule ID has <gid>|<sid> format, like 3|12345
- int **ssh.max\_client\_bytes** = 19600: number of unanswered bytes before alerting on challenge-response overflow or CRC32 { 0:65535 }
- int ssh.max\_encrypted\_packets = 25: ignore session after this many encrypted packets { 0:65535 }
- int ssh.max\_server\_version\_len = 80: limit before alerting on secure CRT server version string overflow { 0:255 }
- int ssl.max\_heartbeat\_length = 0: maximum length of heartbeat record allowed { 0:65535 }
- implied ssl\_state.client\_hello: check for client hello
- implied ssl\_state.!client\_hello: check for records that are not client hello
- implied ssl\_state.client\_keyx: check for client keyx
- implied ssl\_state.!client\_keyx: check for records that are not client keyx
- implied ssl\_state.!server\_hello: check for records that are not server hello
- implied ssl\_state.server\_hello: check for server hello
- implied ssl\_state.!server\_keyx: check for records that are not server keyx
- implied ssl\_state.server\_keyx: check for server keyx
- implied ssl\_state.!unknown: check for records that are not unknown
- implied ssl\_state.unknown: check for unknown record
- bool ssl.trust\_servers = false: disables requirement that application (encrypted) data must be observed on both sides
- implied ssl\_version.!sslv2: check for records that are not sslv2
- implied ssl\_version.sslv2: check for sslv2
- implied ssl\_version.!sslv3: check for records that are not sslv3
- implied ssl\_version.sslv3: check for sslv3
- implied ssl\_version.!tls1.0: check for records that are not tls1.0
- implied **ssl\_version.tls1.0**: check for tls1.0
- implied ssl\_version.!tls1.1: check for records that are not tls1.1
- implied ssl\_version.tls1.1: check for tls1.1
- implied ssl\_version.!tls1.2: check for records that are not tls1.2
- implied ssl\_version.tls1.2: check for tls1.2
- int stream.file\_cache.idle\_timeout = 180: maximum inactive time before retiring session tracker { 1: }

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- int stream.file cache.max sessions = 128: maximum simultaneous sessions tracked before pruning { 2: }
- int **stream.file\_cache.pruning\_timeout** = 30: minimum inactive time before being eligible for pruning { 1: }
- bool **stream\_file.upload** = false: indicate file transfer direction
- int stream.icmp\_cache.idle\_timeout = 180: maximum inactive time before retiring session tracker { 1: }
- int stream.icmp\_cache.max\_sessions = 65536: maximum simultaneous sessions tracked before pruning { 2: }
- int **stream.icmp\_cache.pruning\_timeout** = 30: minimum inactive time before being eligible for pruning { 1: }
- int **stream\_icmp.session\_timeout** = 30: session tracking timeout { 1:86400 }
- int stream.ip\_cache.idle\_timeout = 180: maximum inactive time before retiring session tracker { 1: }
- int **stream.ip\_cache.max\_sessions** = 16384: maximum simultaneous sessions tracked before pruning { 2: }
- int stream.ip\_cache.pruning\_timeout = 30: minimum inactive time before being eligible for pruning { 1: }
- bool **stream.ip\_frags\_only** = false: don't process non-frag flows
- int **stream\_ip.max\_frags** = 8192: maximum number of simultaneous fragments being tracked { 1: }
- int **stream\_ip.max\_overlaps** = 0: maximum allowed overlaps per datagram; 0 is unlimited { 0: }
- int **stream\_ip.min\_frag\_length** = 0: alert if fragment length is below this limit before or after trimming { 0: }
- int **stream\_ip.min\_ttl** = 1: discard fragments with ttl below the minimum { 1:255 }
- enum **stream\_ip.policy** = linux: fragment reassembly policy { first | linux | bsd | bsd\_right | last | windows | solaris }
- int stream ip.session timeout = 30: session tracking timeout { 1:86400 }
- int stream\_ip.trace: mask for enabling debug traces in module
- enum **stream\_reassemble.action**: stop or start stream reassembly { disablelenable }
- enum **stream\_reassemble.direction**: action applies to the given direction(s) { clientlserverlboth }
- implied **stream\_reassemble.fastpath**: optionally whitelist the remainder of the session
- implied stream\_reassemble.noalert: don't alert when rule matches
- enum **stream\_size.~direction**: compare applies to the given direction(s) { eitherIto\_serverIto\_clientIboth }
- string stream\_size.~range: size for comparison
- int **stream.tcp\_cache.idle\_timeout** = 180: maximum inactive time before retiring session tracker { 1: }
- int stream.tcp cache.max sessions = 262144: maximum simultaneous sessions tracked before pruning { 2: }
- int **stream.tcp\_cache.pruning\_timeout** = 30: minimum inactive time before being eligible for pruning { 1: }
- int **stream\_tcp.flush\_factor** = 0: flush upon seeing a drop in segment size after given number of non-decreasing segments { 0: }
- int **stream\_tcp.footprint** = 0: use zero for production, non-zero for testing at given size { 0: }
- bool stream\_tcp.ignore\_any\_rules = false: process tcp content rules w/o ports only if rules with ports are present
- int stream tcp.max pdu = 16384: maximum reassembled PDU size { 1460:65535 }
- int **stream tcp.max window** = 0: maximum allowed tcp window { 0:1073725440 }
- int stream\_tcp.overlap\_limit = 0: maximum number of allowed overlapping segments per session { 0:255 }
- enum **stream\_tcp.policy** = bsd: determines operating system characteristics like reassembly { first | last | linux | old\_linux | bsd | macos | solaris | irix | hpux11 | hpux10 | windows | win\_2003 | vista | proxy }

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• int stream tcp.queue limit.max bytes = 1048576: don't queue more than given bytes per session and direction { 0: }
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- int stream\_tcp.queue\_limit.max\_segments = 2621: don't queue more than given segments per session and direction { 0: }
- bool stream\_tcp.reassemble\_async = true: queue data for reassembly before traffic is seen in both directions
- int **stream\_tcp.require\_3whs** = -1: don't track midstream sessions after given seconds from start up; -1 tracks all { -1:86400 }
- int **stream\_tcp.session\_timeout** = 30: session tracking timeout { 1:86400 }
- bool stream\_tcp.show\_rebuilt\_packets = false: enable cmg like output of reassembled packets
- int stream\_tcp.small\_segments.count = 0: limit number of small segments queued { 0:2048 }
- int stream\_tcp.small\_segments.maximum\_size = 0: limit number of small segments queued { 0:2048 }
- int stream.udp\_cache.idle\_timeout = 180: maximum inactive time before retiring session tracker { 1: }
- int **stream.udp\_cache.max\_sessions** = 131072: maximum simultaneous sessions tracked before pruning { 2: }
- int stream.udp\_cache.pruning\_timeout = 30: minimum inactive time before being eligible for pruning { 1: }
- bool stream\_udp.ignore\_any\_rules = false: process udp content rules w/o ports only if rules with ports are present
- int **stream\_udp.session\_timeout** = 30: session tracking timeout { 1:86400 }
- int **stream.user\_cache.idle\_timeout** = 180: maximum inactive time before retiring session tracker { 1: }
- int stream.user\_cache.max\_sessions = 1024: maximum simultaneous sessions tracked before pruning { 2: }
- int stream.user\_cache.pruning\_timeout = 30: minimum inactive time before being eligible for pruning { 1: }
- int **stream\_user.session\_timeout** = 30: session tracking timeout { 1:86400 }
- int suppress[].gid = 0: rule generator ID { 0: }
- string **suppress**[].ip: restrict suppression to these addresses according to track
- int suppress[].sid = 0: rule signature ID { 0: }
- enum suppress[].track: suppress only matching source or destination addresses { by\_src | by\_dst }
- int tag.bytes: tag for this many bytes { 1: }
- enum tag.~: log all packets in session or all packets to or from host { sessionlhost\_srclhost\_dst }
- int tag.packets: tag this many packets { 1: }
- int tag.seconds: tag for this many seconds { 1: }
- string tcp\_connector.address: address
- port tcp\_connector.base\_port: base port number
- string tcp\_connector.connector: connector name
- enum tcp connector.setup: stream establishment { call | answer }
- int telnet.ayt\_attack\_thresh = -1: alert on this number of consecutive telnet AYT commands { -1: }
- bool **telnet.check\_encrypted** = false: check for end of encryption
- bool **telnet.encrypted\_traffic** = false: check for encrypted telnet and ftp
- bool **telnet.normalize** = false: eliminate escape sequences
- string tos.~range: check if ip tos value is value | min<>max | <max | >min

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- string ttl.~range: check if ip ttl field value is value | min<>max | <max | >min
- bool udp.deep\_teredo\_inspection = false: look for Teredo on all UDP ports (default is only 3544)
- bool **udp.enable\_gtp** = false: decode GTP encapsulations
- bit\_list **udp.gtp\_ports** = 2152 3386: set GTP ports { 65535 }
- int unified2.limit = 0: set limit (0 is unlimited) { 0: }
- bool unified2.mpls\_event\_types = false: include mpls labels in events
- bool unified2.nostamp = true: append file creation time to name (in Unix Epoch format)
- enum **unified2.units** = B: limit multiplier { B | K | M | G }
- bool **unified2.vlan\_event\_types** = false: include vlan IDs in events
- string window.~range: check if tcp window field size is size | min<>max | <max | >min
- bool wizard.hexes[].client\_first = true: which end initiates data transfer
- select wizard.hexes[].proto = tcp: protocol to scan { tcp | udp }
- string wizard.hexes[].service: name of service
- string wizard.hexes[].to\_client[].hex: sequence of data with wild chars (?)
- string wizard.hexes[].to\_server[].hex: sequence of data with wild chars (?)
- bool wizard.spells[].client\_first = true: which end initiates data transfer
- select wizard.spells[].proto = tcp: protocol to scan { tcp | udp }
- string wizard.spells[].service: name of service
- string wizard.spells[].to\_client[].spell: sequence of data with wild cards (\*)
- string wizard.spells[].to\_server[].spell: sequence of data with wild cards (\*)

# 16.10 Counts

- appid.aim\_clients: count of aim clients discovered by appid
- appid.battlefield\_flows: count of battle field flows discovered by appid
- appid.bgp\_flows: count of bgp flows discovered by appid
- appid.bit\_clients: count of bittorrent clients discovered by appid
- appid.bit\_flows: count of bittorrent flows discovered by appid
- appid.bittracker\_clients: count of bittorrent tracker clients discovered by appid
- appid.bootp\_flows: count of bootp flows discovered by appid
- appid.dcerpc\_tcp\_flows: count of dce rpc flows over tcp discovered by appid
- appid.dcerpc\_udp\_flows: count of dce rpc flows over udp discovered by appid
- appid.direct\_connect\_flows: count of direct connect flows discovered by appid
- appid.dns\_tcp\_flows: count of dns flows over tcp discovered by appid
- appid.dns\_udp\_flows: count of dns flows over udp discovered by appid
- appid.ftp\_flows: count of ftp flows discovered by appid

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- appid.ftps\_flows: count of ftps flows discovered by appid
- appid.http\_flows: count of http flows discovered by appid
- · appid.ignored packets: count of packets ignored by appid inspector
- appid.imap\_flows: count of imap service flows discovered by appid
- appid.imaps\_flows: count of imap TLS service flows discovered by appid
- appid.irc\_flows: count of irc service flows discovered by appid
- appid.kerberos\_clients: count of kerberos clients discovered by appid
- appid.kerberos\_flows: count of kerberos service flows discovered by appid
- appid.kerberos\_users: count of kerberos users discovered by appid
- appid.lpr\_flows: count of lpr service flows discovered by appid
- appid.mdns\_flows: count of mdns service flows discovered by appid
- appid.msn\_clients: count of msn clients discovered by appid
- appid.mysql\_flows: count of mysql service flows discovered by appid
- appid.netbios\_dgm\_flows: count of netbios-dgm service flows discovered by appid
- appid.netbios\_ns\_flows: count of netbios-ns service flows discovered by appid
- appid.netbios\_ssn\_flows: count of netbios-ssn service flows discovered by appid
- appid.nntp\_flows: count of nntp flows discovered by appid
- appid.ntp flows: count of ntp flows discovered by appid
- · appid.packets: count of packets received by appid inspector
- appid.pop\_flows: count of pop service flows discovered by appid
- appid.processed packets: count of packets processed by appid inspector
- appid.radius\_flows: count of radius flows discovered by appid
- appid.rexec\_flows: count of rexec flows discovered by appid
- appid.rfb\_flows: count of rfb flows discovered by appid
- appid.rlogin\_flows: count of rlogin flows discovered by appid
- appid.rpc\_flows: count of rpc flows discovered by appid
- · appid.rshell\_flows: count of rshell flows discovered by appid
- appid.rsync flows: count of rsync service flows discovered by appid
- appid.rtmp\_flows: count of rtmp flows discovered by appid
- appid.rtp\_clients: count of rtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.sip\_clients: count of SIP clients discovered by appid
- appid.sip\_flows: count of SIP flows discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_aol\_clients: count of AOL smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_applemail\_clients: count of Apple Mail smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_eudora\_clients: count of Eudora smtp clients discovered by appid

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- appid.smtp\_eudora\_pro\_clients: count of Eudora Pro smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_evolution\_clients: count of Evolution smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_flows: count of smtp flows discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_kmail\_clients: count of KMail smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_lotus\_notes\_clients: count of Lotus Notes smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_microsoft\_outlook\_clients: count of Microsoft Outlook smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp microsoft outlook express clients: count of Microsoft Outlook Express smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_microsoft\_outlook\_imo\_clients: count of Microsoft Outlook IMO smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_mutt\_clients: count of Mutt smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.smtps\_flows: count of smtps flows discovered by appid
- appid.smtp\_thunderbird\_clients: count of Thunderbird smtp clients discovered by appid
- appid.snmp\_flows: count of snmp flows discovered by appid
- appid.ssh\_clients: count of ssh clients discovered by appid
- appid.ssh\_flows: count of ssh flows discovered by appid
- appid.ssl\_flows: count of ssl flows discovered by appid
- appid.telnet\_flows: count of telnet flows discovered by appid
- appid.tftp\_flows: count of tftp flows discovered by appid
- appid.timbuktu flows: count of timbuktu flows discovered by appid
- appid.tns\_clients: count of tns clients discovered by appid
- appid.tns\_flows: count of tns flows discovered by appid
- appid.vnc\_clients: count of vnc clients discovered by appid
- appid.yahoo\_messenger\_clients: count of Yahoo Messenger clients discovered by appid
- arp\_spoof.packets: total packets
- back\_orifice.packets: total packets
- binder.allows: allow bindings
- binder.blocks: block bindings
- binder.inspects: inspect bindings
- binder.packets: initial bindings
- binder.resets: reset bindings
- daq.allow: total allow verdicts
- daq.analyzed: total packets analyzed from DAQ
- daq.blacklist: total blacklist verdicts
- daq.block: total block verdicts
- · daq.dropped: packets dropped
- daq.filtered: packets filtered out

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- daq.idle: attempts to acquire from DAQ without available packets
- daq.ignore: total ignore verdicts
- daq.injected: active responses or replacements
- daq.internal blacklist: packets blacklisted internally due to lack of DAQ support
- daq.internal whitelist: packets whitelisted internally due to lack of DAQ support
- daq.outstanding: packets unprocessed
- daq.pcaps: total files and interfaces processed
- daq.received: total packets received from DAQ
- daq.replace: total replace verdicts
- daq.skipped: packets skipped at startup
- daq.whitelist: total whitelist verdicts
- dce smb.aborted sessions: total aborted sessions
- dce\_smb.Alter context responses: total connection-oriented alter context responses
- dce\_smb.Alter contexts: total connection-oriented alter contexts
- dce\_smb.Auth3s: total connection-oriented auth3s
- dce smb.bad autodetects: total bad autodetects
- dce\_smb.Bind acks: total connection-oriented binds acks
- dce smb.Bind naks: total connection-oriented bind naks
- dce\_smb.Binds: total connection-oriented binds
- dce\_smb.Cancels: total connection-oriented cancels
- · dce\_smb.Client frags reassembled: total connection-oriented client fragments reassembled
- dce\_smb.Client max fragment size: connection-oriented client maximum fragment size
- dce\_smb.Client min fragment size: connection-oriented client minimum fragment size
- dce\_smb.Client segs reassembled: total connection-oriented client segments reassembled
- dce\_smb.Client segs reassembled: total smb client segments reassembled
- dce\_smb.events: total events
- dce smb.Faults: total connection-oriented faults
- dce smb.Files processed: total smb files processed
- dce\_smb.Ignored bytes: total ignored bytes
- dce\_smb.Max outstanding requests: total smb maximum outstanding requests
- dce\_smb.MS RPC/HTTP PDUs: total connection-oriented MS requests to send RPC over HTTP
- dce\_smb.Orphaned: total connection-oriented orphaned
- dce\_smb.Other requests: total connection-oriented other requests
- dce\_smb.Other responses: total connection-oriented other responses
- dce\_smb.Packets: total smb packets

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- dce smb.PDUs: total connection-oriented PDUs
- dce\_smb.Rejects: total connection-oriented rejects
- dce\_smb.Request fragments: total connection-oriented request fragments
- dce\_smb.Requests: total connection-oriented requests
- dce\_smb.Response fragments: total connection-oriented response fragments
- dce\_smb.Responses: total connection-oriented responses
- dce smb.Server frags reassembled: total connection-oriented server fragments reassembled
- dce\_smb.Server max fragment size: connection-oriented server maximum fragment size
- dce\_smb.Server min fragment size: connection-oriented server minimum fragment size
- dce\_smb.Server segs reassembled: total connection-oriented server segments reassembled
- dce\_smb.Server segs reassembled: total smb server segments reassembled
- dce smb.Sessions: total smb sessions
- dce\_smb.Shutdowns: total connection-oriented shutdowns
- dce\_smb.SMBv2 close: total number of SMBv2 close packets seen
- dce\_smb.SMBv2 create: total number of SMBv2 create packets seen
- dce\_smb.SMBv2 read: total number of SMBv2 read packets seen
- dce\_smb.SMBv2 set info: total number of SMBv2 set info packets seen
- dce smb.SMBv2 tree connect: total number of SMBv2 tree connect packets seen
- dce\_smb.SMBv2 tree disconnect: total number of SMBv2 tree disconnect packets seen
- dce\_smb.SMBv2 write: total number of SMBv2 write packets seen
- dce\_tcp.aborted sessions: total aborted sessions
- dce\_tcp.Alter context responses: total connection-oriented alter context responses
- dce\_tcp.Alter contexts: total connection-oriented alter contexts
- dce\_tcp.Auth3s: total connection-oriented auth3s
- dce\_tcp.bad autodetects: total bad autodetects
- dce\_tcp.Bind acks: total connection-oriented binds acks
- dce\_tcp.Bind naks: total connection-oriented bind naks
- dce tcp.Binds: total connection-oriented binds
- dce\_tcp.Cancels: total connection-oriented cancels
- dce\_tcp.Client frags reassembled: total connection-oriented client fragments reassembled
- dce\_tcp.Client max fragment size: connection-oriented client maximum fragment size
- dce\_tcp.Client min fragment size: connection-oriented client minimum fragment size
- dce\_tcp.Client segs reassembled: total connection-oriented client segments reassembled
- dce\_tcp.events: total events
- dce\_tcp.Faults: total connection-oriented faults

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- dce\_tcp.MS RPC/HTTP PDUs: total connection-oriented MS requests to send RPC over HTTP
- dce\_tcp.Orphaned: total connection-oriented orphaned
- dce\_tcp.Other requests: total connection-oriented other requests
- dce\_tcp.Other responses: total connection-oriented other responses
- dce\_tcp.PDUs: total connection-oriented PDUs
- dce\_tcp.Rejects: total connection-oriented rejects
- dce tcp.Request fragments: total connection-oriented request fragments
- dce\_tcp.Requests: total connection-oriented requests
- dce\_tcp.Response fragments: total connection-oriented response fragments
- dce\_tcp.Responses: total connection-oriented responses
- dce\_tcp.Server frags reassembled: total connection-oriented server fragments reassembled
- dce\_tcp.Server max fragment size: connection-oriented server maximum fragment size
- dce\_tcp.Server min fragment size: connection-oriented server minimum fragment size
- dce\_tcp.Server segs reassembled: total connection-oriented server segments reassembled
- dce\_tcp.Shutdowns: total connection-oriented shutdowns
- dce\_tcp.tcp packets: total tcp packets
- dce\_tcp.tcp sessions: total tcp sessions
- dce udp.aborted sessions: total aborted sessions
- dce\_udp.Acks: total connection-less acks
- dce\_udp.bad autodetects: total bad autodetects
- dce\_udp.Cancel acks: total connection-less cancel acks
- dce\_udp.Cancels: total connection-less cancels
- dce\_udp.Client facks: total connection-less client facks
- dce\_udp.events: total events
- dce\_udp.Faults: total connection-less faults
- dce\_udp.Fragments: total connection-less fragments
- dce\_udp.Frags reassembled: total connection-less fragments reassembled
- dce\_udp.Max fragment size: connection-less maximum fragment size
- dce\_udp.Max seqnum: max connection-less seqnum
- dce\_udp.No calls: total connection-less no calls
- dce\_udp.Other requests: total connection-less other requests
- dce\_udp.Other responses: total connection-less other responses
- dce\_udp.Ping: total connection-less ping
- dce\_udp.Rejects: total connection-less rejects
- dce\_udp.Requests: total connection-less requests

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- dce\_udp.Responses: total connection-less responses
- dce\_udp.Server facks: total connection-less server facks
- dce\_udp.udp packets: total udp packets
- dce\_udp.udp sessions: total udp sessions
- dce\_udp.Working: total connection-less working
- detection.alert limit: events previously triggered on same PDU
- detection.alerts: alerts not including IP reputation
- detection.alt searches: alt fast pattern searches in packet data
- detection.analyzed: packets sent to detection
- detection.body searches: fast pattern searches in body buffer
- detection.cooked searches: fast pattern searches in cooked packet data
- detection.event limit: events filtered
- detection.file searches: fast pattern searches in file buffer
- detection.hard evals: non-fast pattern rule evaluations
- detection.header searches: fast pattern searches in header buffer
- detection.key searches: fast pattern searches in key buffer
- detection.logged: logged packets
- detection.log limit: events queued but not logged
- detection.match limit: fast pattern matches not processed
- detection.passed: passed packets
- detection.pkt searches: fast pattern searches in packet data
- detection.queue limit: events not queued because queue full
- detection.raw searches: fast pattern searches in raw packet data
- detection.total alerts: alerts including IP reputation
- dnp3.dnp3 application pdus: total dnp3 application pdus
- dnp3.dnp3 link layer frames: total dnp3 link layer frames
- dnp3.tcp pdus: total tcp pdus
- dnp3.total packets: total packets
- dnp3.udp packets: total udp packets
- dns.packets: total packets processed
- dns.requests: total dns requests
- dns.responses: total dns responses
- file\_connector.messages: total messages
- file\_log.total events: total file events
- ftp\_data.packets: total packets

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- ftp\_server.packets: total packets
- gtp\_inspect.events: requests
- gtp\_inspect.sessions: total sessions processed
- gtp\_inspect.unknown infos: unknown information elements
- gtp\_inspect.unknown types: unknown message types
- · host\_cache.lru cache adds: lru cache added new entry
- host cache.lru cache clears: lru cache clear API calls
- host\_cache.lru cache find hits: lru cache found entry in cache
- host\_cache.lru cache find misses: lru cache did not find entry in cache
- host\_cache.lru cache prunes: lru cache pruned entry to make space for new entry
- host\_cache.lru cache removes: lru cache found entry and removed it
- host\_cache.lru cache replaces: lru cache replaced existing entry
- host\_tracker.service adds: host service adds
- host\_tracker.service finds: host service finds
- host tracker.service removes: host service removes
- http\_inspect.chunked: chunked message bodies
- http inspect.CONNECT requests: CONNECT requests inspected
- http inspect.DELETE requests: DELETE requests inspected
- http\_inspect.flows: HTTP connections inspected
- http\_inspect.GET requests: GET requests inspected
- http\_inspect.HEAD requests: HEAD requests inspected
- http\_inspect.inspections: total message sections inspected
- http\_inspect.OPTIONS requests: OPTIONS requests inspected
- http\_inspect.other requests: other request methods inspected
- http\_inspect.POST requests: POST requests inspected
- http\_inspect.PUT requests: PUT requests inspected
- http\_inspect.reassembles: TCP segments combined into HTTP messages
- http inspect.request bodies: POST, PUT, and other requests with message bodies
- http\_inspect.requests: HTTP request messages inspected
- http\_inspect.responses: HTTP response messages inspected
- http\_inspect.scans: TCP segments scanned looking for HTTP messages
- http\_inspect.TRACE requests: TRACE requests inspected
- http\_inspect.URI coding: URIs with character coding problems
- http\_inspect.URI normalizations: URIs needing to be normalization
- http\_inspect.URI path: URIs with path problems

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- icmp4.bad checksum: non-zero icmp checksums
- icmp6.bad checksum (ip4): nonzero ipcm4 checksums
- icmp6.bad checksum (ip6): nonzero ipcm6 checksums
- imap.b64 attachments: total base64 attachments decoded
- imap.b64 decoded bytes: total base64 decoded bytes
- imap.non-encoded attachments: total non-encoded attachments extracted
- imap.non-encoded bytes: total non-encoded extracted bytes
- imap.packets: total packets processed
- imap.qp attachments: total quoted-printable attachments decoded
- imap.qp decoded bytes: total quoted-printable decoded bytes
- imap.sessions: total imap sessions
- imap.uu attachments: total uu attachments decoded
- imap.uu decoded bytes: total uu decoded bytes
- ipv4.bad checksum: nonzero ip checksums
- latency.max usecs: maximum usecs elapsed
- latency.packet timeouts: packets that timed out
- latency.rule eval timeouts: rule evals that timed out
- latency.rule tree enables: rule tree re-enables
- latency.total packets: total packets monitored
- latency.total rule evals: total rule evals monitored
- latency.total usecs: total usecs elapsed
- modbus.frames: total Modbus messages
- modbus.sessions: total sessions processed
- mpls.total bytes: total mpls labeled bytes processed
- mpls.total packets: total mpls labeled packets processed
- normalizer.icmp4 echo: icmp4 ping normalizations
- normalizer.icmp6 echo: icmp6 echo normalizations
- normalizer.ip4 df: don't frag bit normalizations
- normalizer.ip4 opts: ip4 options cleared
- normalizer.ip4 rf: reserved flag bit clears
- normalizer.ip4 tos: type of service normalizations
- normalizer.ip4 trim: eth packets trimmed to datagram size
- normalizer.ip4 ttl: time-to-live normalizations
- normalizer.ip6 hops: ip6 hop limit normalizations
- normalizer.ip6 options: ip6 options cleared

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- normalizer.tcp block: blocked segments
- normalizer.tcp ecn pkt: packets with ECN bits cleared
- normalizer.tcp ecn session: ECN bits cleared
- normalizer.tcp ips data: normalized segments
- normalizer.tcp nonce: packets with nonce bit cleared
- normalizer.tcp options: packets with options cleared
- normalizer.tcp paddding: packets with padding cleared
- normalizer.tcp req pay: cleared urgent pointer and urgent flag when there is no payload
- normalizer.tcp req urg: cleared urgent pointer when urgent flag is not set
- normalizer.tcp req urp: cleared the urgent flag if the urgent pointer is not set
- normalizer.tcp reserved: packets with reserved bits cleared
- normalizer.tcp syn options: SYN only options cleared from non-SYN packets
- normalizer.tcp trim mss: data trimmed to MSS
- normalizer.tcp trim rst: RST packets with data trimmed
- normalizer.tcp trim syn: tcp segments trimmed on SYN
- normalizer.tcp trim win: data trimed to window
- normalizer.tcp ts ecr: timestamp cleared on non-ACKs
- normalizer.tcp ts nop: timestamp options cleared
- normalizer.tcp urgent ptr: packets without data with urgent pointer cleared
- normalizer.test icmp4 echo: test icmp4 ping normalizations
- normalizer.test icmp6 echo: test icmp6 echo normalizations
- normalizer.test ip4 df: test don't frag bit normalizations
- normalizer.test ip4 opts: test ip4 options cleared
- normalizer.test ip4 rf: test reserved flag bit clears
- normalizer.test ip4 tos: test type of service normalizations
- normalizer.test ip4 trim: test eth packets trimmed to datagram size
- normalizer.test ip4 ttl: test time-to-live normalizations
- normalizer.test ip6 hops: test ip6 hop limit normalizations
- normalizer.test ip6 options: test ip6 options cleared
- normalizer.test tcp block: test blocked segments
- normalizer.test tcp ecn pkt: test packets with ECN bits cleared
- normalizer.test tcp ecn session: test ECN bits cleared
- normalizer.test tcp ips data: test normalized segments
- normalizer.test tcp nonce: test packets with nonce bit cleared
- normalizer.test tcp options: test packets with options cleared

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- normalizer.test tcp paddding: test packets with padding cleared
- normalizer.test tcp req pay: test cleared urgent pointer and urgent flag when there is no payload
- normalizer.test tcp req urg: test cleared urgent pointer when urgent flag is not set
- normalizer.test tcp req urp: test cleared the urgent flag if the urgent pointer is not set
- normalizer.test tcp reserved: test packets with reserved bits cleared
- normalizer.test tcp syn options: test SYN only options cleared from non-SYN packets
- normalizer.test tcp trim mss: test data trimmed to MSS
- normalizer.test tcp trim rst: test RST packets with data trimmed
- normalizer.test tcp trim syn: test tcp segments trimmed on SYN
- normalizer.test tcp trim win: test data trimed to window
- normalizer.test tcp ts ecr: test timestamp cleared on non-ACKs
- normalizer.test tcp ts nop: test timestamp options cleared
- normalizer.test tcp urgent ptr: test packets without data with urgent pointer cleared
- packet\_capture.captured: packets matching dumped after matching filter
- packet\_capture.processed: packets processed against filter
- perf\_monitor.packets: total packets
- pop.b64 attachments: total base64 attachments decoded
- pop.b64 decoded bytes: total base64 decoded bytes
- pop.non-encoded attachments: total non-encoded attachments extracted
- pop.non-encoded bytes: total non-encoded extracted bytes
- pop.packets: total packets processed
- pop.qp attachments: total quoted-printable attachments decoded
- pop.qp decoded bytes: total quoted-printable decoded bytes
- pop.sessions: total pop sessions
- pop.uu attachments: total uu attachments decoded
- pop.uu decoded bytes: total uu decoded bytes
- port\_scan\_global.packets: total packets
- reputation.blacklisted: number of packets blacklisted
- reputation.memory\_allocated: total memory allocated
- reputation.monitored: number of packets monitored
- reputation.packets: total packets processed
- reputation.whitelisted: number of packets whitelisted
- rpc\_decode.packets: total packets
- sd\_pattern.below threshold: sd\_pattern matched but missed threshold
- sd\_pattern.pattern not found: sd\_pattern did not not match

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- sd\_pattern.terminated: hyperscan terminated
- search\_engine.max queued: maximum fast pattern matches queued for further evaluation
- search\_engine.non-qualified events: total non-qualified events
- search\_engine.qualified events: total qualified events
- search\_engine.total flushed: fast pattern matches discarded due to overflow
- search\_engine.total inserts: total fast pattern hits
- search\_engine.total unique: total unique fast pattern hits
- sip.1xx: 1xx
- sip.2xx: 2xx
- sip.3xx: 3xx
- sip.4xx: 4xx
- sip.5xx: 5xx
- **sip.6xx**: 6xx
- sip.7xx: 7xx
- sip.8xx: 8xx
- sip.9xx: 9xx
- sip.ack: ack
- sip.bye: bye
- sip.cancel: cancel
- sip.dialogs: total dialogs
- sip.events: events generated
- sip.ignored channels: total channels ignored
- sip.ignored sessions: total sessions ignored
- sip.info: info
- sip.invite: invite
- sip.join: join
- sip.message: message
- **sip.notify**: notify
- sip.options: options
- sip.packets: total packets
- sip.prack: prack
- sip.refer: refer
- sip.register: register
- sip.sessions: total sessions
- sip.subscribe: subscribe

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• sip.total requests: total requests

• sip.total responses: total responses

• sip.update: update

• smtp.b64 attachments: total base64 attachments decoded

• smtp.b64 decoded bytes: total base64 decoded bytes

• smtp.concurrent sessions: total concurrent smtp sessions

• smtp.max concurrent sessions: maximum concurrent smtp sessions

• smtp.non-encoded attachments: total non-encoded attachments extracted

• smtp.non-encoded bytes: total non-encoded extracted bytes

• smtp.packets: total packets processed

• smtp.qp attachments: total quoted-printable attachments decoded

• smtp.qp decoded bytes: total quoted-printable decoded bytes

• smtp.sessions: total smtp sessions

• smtp.uu attachments: total uu attachments decoded

• smtp.uu decoded bytes: total uu decoded bytes

• snort.attribute table hosts: total number of hosts in table

• snort.attribute table reloads: number of times hosts table was reloaded

• snort.conf reloads: number of times configuration was reloaded

• snort.local commands: total local commands processed

• snort.remote commands: total remote commands processed

• snort.signals: total signals processed

• ssh.packets: total packets

• ssl.alert: total ssl alert records

• ssl.bad handshakes: total bad handshakes

• ssl.certificate: total ssl certificates

• ssl.change cipher: total change cipher records

• ssl.client application: total client application records

• ssl.client hello: total client hellos

• ssl.client key exchange: total client key exchanges

• ssl.decoded: ssl packets decoded

• ssl.detection disabled: total detection disabled

• ssl.finished: total handshakes finished

• ssl.handshakes completed: total completed ssl handshakes

• ssl.packets: total packets processed

• ssl.server application: total server application records

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- ssl.server done: total server done
- ssl.server hello: total server hellos
- ssl.server key exchange: total server key exchanges
- ssl.sessions ignored: total sessions ignore
- · ssl.unrecognized records: total unrecognized records
- stream.file excess prunes: file sessions pruned due to excess
- stream.file flows: total file sessions
- stream.file ha prunes: file sessions pruned by high availability sync
- stream.file idle prunes: file sessions pruned due to timeout
- stream.file memcap prunes: file sessions pruned due to memcap
- stream.file preemptive prunes: file sessions pruned during preemptive pruning
- stream.file total prunes: total file sessions pruned
- stream.file uni prunes: file uni sessions pruned
- stream\_icmp.created: icmp session trackers created
- stream.icmp excess prunes: icmp sessions pruned due to excess
- stream.icmp flows: total icmp sessions
- stream.icmp ha prunes: icmp sessions pruned by high availability sync
- stream.icmp idle prunes: icmp sessions pruned due to timeout
- stream\_icmp.max: max icmp sessions
- stream.icmp memcap prunes: icmp sessions pruned due to memcap
- stream.icmp preemptive prunes: icmp sessions pruned during preemptive pruning
- stream\_icmp.prunes: icmp session prunes
- stream\_icmp.released: icmp session trackers released
- stream\_icmp.sessions: total icmp sessions
- stream\_icmp.timeouts: icmp session timeouts
- stream.icmp total prunes: total icmp sessions pruned
- stream.icmp uni prunes: icmp uni sessions pruned
- stream\_ip.alerts: alerts generated
- stream\_ip.anomalies: anomalies detected
- stream\_ip.created: ip session trackers created
- stream\_ip.current frags: current fragments
- stream\_ip.discards: fragments discarded
- stream\_ip.drops: fragments dropped
- stream.ip excess prunes: ip sessions pruned due to excess
- stream.ip flows: total ip sessions

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- stream\_ip.fragmented bytes: total fragmented bytes
- · stream\_ip.frag timeouts: datagrams abandoned
- stream.ip ha prunes: ip sessions pruned by high availability sync
- stream.ip idle prunes: ip sessions pruned due to timeout
- stream\_ip.max frags: max fragments
- stream\_ip.max: max ip sessions
- stream.ip memcap prunes: ip sessions pruned due to memcap
- stream\_ip.memory used: current memory usage in bytes
- stream\_ip.nodes deleted: fragments deleted from tracker
- stream\_ip.nodes inserted: fragments added to tracker
- stream\_ip.overlaps: overlapping fragments
- stream.ip preemptive prunes: ip sessions pruned during preemptive pruning
- stream\_ip.prunes: ip session prunes
- stream\_ip.reassembled bytes: total reassembled bytes
- stream\_ip.reassembled: reassembled datagrams
- stream\_ip.released: ip session trackers released
- stream\_ip.sessions: total ip sessions
- stream ip.timeouts: ip session timeouts
- stream\_ip.total frags: total fragments
- stream.ip total prunes: total ip sessions pruned
- stream\_ip.trackers added: datagram trackers created
- stream\_ip.trackers cleared: datagram trackers cleared
- stream\_ip.trackers completed: datagram trackers completed
- stream\_ip.trackers freed: datagram trackers released
- stream.ip uni prunes: ip uni sessions pruned
- stream\_tcp.3way trackers: tcp session tracking started on ack
- stream\_tcp.client cleanups: number of times data from server was flushed when session released
- stream\_tcp.closing: number of sessions currently closing
- stream\_tcp.created: tcp session trackers created
- stream\_tcp.data trackers: tcp session tracking started on data
- stream\_tcp.discards: tcp packets discarded
- stream\_tcp.established: number of sessions currently established
- stream\_tcp.events: events generated
- stream.tcp excess prunes: tcp sessions pruned due to excess
- stream.tcp flows: total tcp sessions

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- stream tcp.gaps: missing data between PDUs
- stream.tcp ha prunes: tcp sessions pruned by high availability sync
- stream.tcp idle prunes: tcp sessions pruned due to timeout
- stream\_tcp.ignored: tcp packets ignored
- stream\_tcp.initializing: number of sessions currently initializing
- stream\_tcp.internal events: 135:X events generated
- stream tcp.max bytes: number of times the maximum queued byte limit was reached
- stream\_tcp.max: max tcp sessions
- stream\_tcp.max segs: number of times the maximum queued segment limit was reached
- stream.tcp memcap prunes: tcp sessions pruned due to memcap
- stream\_tcp.memory: current memory in use
- stream\_tcp.overlaps: overlapping segments queued
- stream.tcp preemptive prunes: tcp sessions pruned during preemptive pruning
- stream\_tcp.prunes: tcp session prunes
- stream\_tcp.rebuilt buffers: rebuilt PDU sections
- stream\_tcp.rebuilt bytes: total rebuilt bytes
- stream\_tcp.rebuilt packets: total reassembled PDUs
- stream\_tcp.released: tcp session trackers released
- stream\_tcp.resyns: SYN received on established session
- stream\_tcp.segs queued: total segments queued
- stream\_tcp.segs released: total segments released
- stream\_tcp.segs split: tcp segments split when reassembling PDUs
- stream\_tcp.segs used: queued tcp segments applied to reassembled PDUs
- stream\_tcp.server cleanups: number of times data from client was flushed when session released
- stream\_tcp.sessions: total tcp sessions
- stream\_tcp.syn-ack trackers: tcp session tracking started on syn-ack
- stream\_tcp.syn trackers: tcp session tracking started on syn
- stream\_tcp.timeouts: tcp session timeouts
- stream.tcp total prunes: total tcp sessions pruned
- stream.tcp uni prunes: tcp uni sessions pruned
- stream\_tcp.untracked: tcp packets not tracked
- stream\_udp.created: udp session trackers created
- stream.udp excess prunes: udp sessions pruned due to excess
- stream.udp flows: total udp sessions
- stream.udp ha prunes: udp sessions pruned by high availability sync

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- stream.udp idle prunes: udp sessions pruned due to timeout
- stream\_udp.max: max udp sessions
- stream.udp memcap prunes: udp sessions pruned due to memcap
- stream.udp preemptive prunes: udp sessions pruned during preemptive pruning
- stream\_udp.prunes: udp session prunes
- stream\_udp.released: udp session trackers released
- stream\_udp.sessions: total udp sessions
- stream\_udp.timeouts: udp session timeouts
- stream.udp total prunes: total udp sessions pruned
- stream.udp uni prunes: udp uni sessions pruned
- stream.user excess prunes: user sessions pruned due to excess
- stream.user flows: total user sessions
- stream.user ha prunes: user sessions pruned by high availability sync
- stream.user idle prunes: user sessions pruned due to timeout
- stream.user memcap prunes: user sessions pruned due to memcap
- stream.user preemptive prunes: user sessions pruned during preemptive pruning
- stream.user total prunes: total user sessions pruned
- stream.user uni prunes: user uni sessions pruned
- tcp.bad checksum (ip4): nonzero tcp over ip checksums
- tcp.bad checksum (ip6): nonzero tcp over ipv6 checksums
- tcp\_connector.messages: total messages
- telnet.packets: total packets
- udp.bad checksum (ip4): nonzero udp over ipv4 checksums
- udp.bad checksum (ip6): nonzero udp over ipv6 checksums
- wizard.tcp hits: tcp identifications
- wizard.tcp scans: tcp payload scans
- wizard.udp hits: udp identifications
- wizard.udp scans: udp payload scans
- · wizard.user hits: user identifications
- wizard.user scans: user payload scans

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## 16.11 Generators

- 105: back\_orifice
- 106: rpc\_decode
- 112: arp\_spoof
- 116: arp
- 116: auth
- 116: ciscometadata
- 116: decode
- 116: erspan2
- 116: erspan3
- 116: esp
- 116: eth
- 116: fabricpath
- 116: gre
- 116: gtp
- 116: icmp4
- 116: icmp6
- **116**: igmp
- **116**: ipv4
- **116**: ipv6
- 116: mpls
- 116: pgm
- 116: pppoe
- 116: tcp
- 116: udp
- 116: vlan
- 119: http\_inspect
- 122: port\_scan
- **123**: stream\_ip
- 124: smtp
- 125: ftp\_server
- 126: telnet
- 128: ssh
- 129: stream\_tcp
- 131: dns

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- 133: dce smb
- 133: dce\_tcp
- 133: dce\_udp
- 134: latency
- 136: reputation
- 137: ssl
- 140: sip
- 141: imap
- 142: pop
- 143: gtp\_inspect
- 144: modbus
- 145: dnp3

### 16.12 Builtin Rules

- 105:1 (back\_orifice) BO traffic detected
- 105:2 (back\_orifice) BO client traffic detected
- 105:3 (back orifice) BO server traffic detected
- 105:4 (back\_orifice) BO Snort buffer attack
- 106:1 (rpc\_decode) fragmented RPC records
- 106:2 (rpc\_decode) multiple RPC records
- 106:3 (rpc\_decode) large RPC record fragment
- 106:4 (rpc\_decode) incomplete RPC segment
- 106:5 (rpc\_decode) zero-length RPC fragment
- 112:1 (arp\_spoof) unicast ARP request
- 112:2 (arp\_spoof) ethernet/ARP mismatch request for source
- 112:3 (arp\_spoof) ethernet/ARP mismatch request for destination
- 112:4 (arp\_spoof) attempted ARP cache overwrite attack
- 116:1 (ipv4) Not IPv4 datagram
- **116:2** (ipv4) hlen < minimum
- **116:3** (ipv4) IP dgm len < IP Hdr len
- 116:4 (ipv4) Ipv4 Options found with bad lengths
- 116:5 (ipv4) Truncated Ipv4 Options
- 116:6 (ipv4) IP dgm len > captured len
- 116:45 (tcp) TCP packet len is smaller than 20 bytes
- 116:46 (tcp) TCP data offset is less than 5

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- 116:47 (tcp) TCP header length exceeds packet length
- 116:54 (tcp) TCP options found with bad lengths
- 116:55 (tcp) truncated TCP options
- 116:56 (tcp) T/TCP detected
- 116:57 (tcp) obsolete TCP options found
- 116:58 (tcp) experimental TCP options found
- 116:59 (tcp) TCP window scale option found with length > 14
- 116:95 (udp) truncated UDP header
- 116:96 (udp) invalid UDP header, length field < 8
- 116:97 (udp) short UDP packet, length field > payload length
- 116:98 (udp) long UDP packet, length field < payload length
- 116:105 (icmp4) ICMP header truncated
- 116:106 (icmp4) ICMP timestamp header truncated
- 116:107 (icmp4) ICMP address header truncated
- 116:109 (arp) truncated ARP
- 116:120 (pppoe) bad PPPOE frame detected
- 116:130 (vlan) bad VLAN frame
- 116:131 (vlan) bad LLC header
- 116:132 (vlan) bad extra LLC info
- 116:150 (decode) bad traffic loopback IP
- 116:151 (decode) bad traffic same src/dst IP
- 116:160 (gre) GRE header length > payload length
- 116:161 (gre) multiple encapsulations in packet
- 116:162 (gre) invalid GRE version
- 116:163 (gre) invalid GRE header
- 116:164 (gre) invalid GRE v.1 PPTP header
- 116:165 (gre) GRE trans header length > payload length
- 116:170 (mpls) bad MPLS frame
- 116:171 (mpls) MPLS label 0 appears in non-bottom header
- 116:172 (mpls) MPLS label 1 appears in bottom header
- 116:173 (mpls) MPLS label 2 appears in non-bottom header
- 116:174 (mpls) MPLS label 3 appears in header
- 116:175 (mpls) MPLS label 4, 5,.. or 15 appears in header
- 116:176 (mpls) too many MPLS headers
- 116:250 (icmp4) ICMP original IP header truncated

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- 116:251 (icmp4) ICMP version and original IP header versions differ
- 116:252 (icmp4) ICMP original datagram length < original IP header length
- 116:253 (icmp4) ICMP original IP payload < 64 bits
- 116:254 (icmp4) ICMP original IP payload > 576 bytes
- 116:255 (icmp4) ICMP original IP fragmented and offset not 0
- 116:270 (ipv6) IPv6 packet below TTL limit
- 116:271 (ipv6) IPv6 header claims to not be IPv6
- 116:272 (ipv6) IPV6 truncated extension header
- 116:273 (ipv6) IPV6 truncated header
- 116:274 (ipv6) IP dgm len < IP Hdr len
- 116:275 (ipv6) IP dgm len > captured len
- 116:276 (ipv6) IPv6 packet with destination address ::0
- 116:277 (ipv6) IPv6 packet with multicast source address
- 116:278 (ipv6) IPv6 packet with reserved multicast destination address
- 116:279 (ipv6) IPv6 header includes an undefined option type
- 116:280 (ipv6) IPv6 address includes an unassigned multicast scope value
- 116:281 (ipv6) IPv6 header includes an invalid value for the next header field
- 116:282 (ipv6) IPv6 header includes a routing extension header followed by a hop-by-hop header
- 116:283 (ipv6) IPv6 header includes two routing extension headers
- 116:285 (icmp6) ICMPv6 packet of type 2 (message too big) with MTU field < 1280
- 116:286 (icmp6) ICMPv6 packet of type 1 (destination unreachable) with non-RFC 2463 code
- 116:287 (icmp6) ICMPv6 router solicitation packet with a code not equal to 0
- 116:288 (icmp6) ICMPv6 router advertisement packet with a code not equal to 0
- 116:289 (icmp6) ICMPv6 router solicitation packet with the reserved field not equal to 0
- 116:290 (icmp6) ICMPv6 router advertisement packet with the reachable time field set > 1 hour
- 116:291 (ipv6) IPV6 tunneled over IPv4, IPv6 header truncated, possible Linux kernel attack
- 116:292 (ipv6) IPv6 header has destination options followed by a routing header
- 116:293 (decode) two or more IP (v4 and/or v6) encapsulation layers present
- 116:294 (esp) truncated encapsulated security payload header
- 116:295 (ipv6) IPv6 header includes an option which is too big for the containing header
- 116:296 (ipv6) IPv6 packet includes out-of-order extension headers
- 116:297 (gtp) two or more GTP encapsulation layers present
- 116:298 (gtp) GTP header length is invalid
- 116:400 (tcp) XMAS attack detected
- 116:401 (tcp) Nmap XMAS attack detected

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- 116:402 (tcp) DOS NAPTHA vulnerability detected
- 116:403 (tcp) bad traffic SYN to multicast address
- 116:404 (ipv4) IPV4 packet with zero TTL
- 116:405 (ipv4) IPV4 packet with bad frag bits (both MF and DF set)
- 116:406 (udp) invalid IPv6 UDP packet, checksum zero
- 116:407 (ipv4) IPV4 packet frag offset + length exceed maximum
- 116:408 (ipv4) IPV4 packet from *current net* source address
- 116:409 (ipv4) IPV4 packet to current net dest address
- 116:410 (ipv4) IPV4 packet from multicast source address
- 116:411 (ipv4) IPV4 packet from reserved source address
- 116:412 (ipv4) IPV4 packet to reserved dest address
- 116:413 (ipv4) IPV4 packet from broadcast source address
- 116:414 (ipv4) IPV4 packet to broadcast dest address
- 116:415 (icmp4) ICMP4 packet to multicast dest address
- 116:416 (icmp4) ICMP4 packet to broadcast dest address
- 116:418 (icmp4) ICMP4 type other
- 116:419 (tcp) TCP urgent pointer exceeds payload length or no payload
- 116:420 (tcp) TCP SYN with FIN
- 116:421 (tcp) TCP SYN with RST
- 116:422 (tcp) TCP PDU missing ack for established session
- 116:423 (tcp) TCP has no SYN, ACK, or RST
- 116:424 (eth) truncated eth header
- 116:425 (ipv4) truncated IP4 header
- 116:426 (icmp4) truncated ICMP4 header
- 116:427 (icmp6) truncated ICMP6 header
- 116:428 (ipv4) IPV4 packet below TTL limit
- 116:429 (ipv6) IPV6 packet has zero hop limit
- 116:430 (ipv4) IPV4 packet both DF and offset set
- 116:431 (icmp6) ICMP6 type not decoded
- 116:432 (icmp6) ICMP6 packet to multicast address
- 116:433 (tcp) DDOS shaft SYN flood
- 116:434 (icmp4) ICMP ping NMAP
- 116:435 (icmp4) ICMP icmpenum v1.1.1
- 116:436 (icmp4) ICMP redirect host
- 116:437 (icmp4) ICMP redirect net

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- 116:438 (icmp4) ICMP traceroute ipopts
- 116:439 (icmp4) ICMP source quench
- 116:440 (icmp4) broadscan smurf scanner
- 116:441 (icmp4) ICMP destination unreachable communication administratively prohibited
- 116:442 (icmp4) ICMP destination unreachable communication with destination host is administratively prohibited
- 116:443 (icmp4) ICMP destination unreachable communication with destination network is administratively prohibited
- 116:444 (ipv4) MISC IP option set
- 116:445 (udp) misc large UDP Packet
- 116:446 (tcp) BAD-TRAFFIC TCP port 0 traffic
- 116:447 (udp) BAD-TRAFFIC UDP port 0 traffic
- 116:448 (ipv4) BAD-TRAFFIC IP reserved bit set
- 116:449 (decode) BAD-TRAFFIC unassigned/reserved IP protocol
- 116:450 (decode) BAD-TRAFFIC bad IP protocol
- 116:451 (icmp4) ICMP path MTU denial of service attempt
- 116:452 (icmp4) BAD-TRAFFIC Linux ICMP header DOS attempt
- 116:453 (ipv6) BAD-TRAFFIC ISATAP-addressed IPv6 traffic spoofing attempt
- 116:454 (pgm) BAD-TRAFFIC PGM nak list overflow attempt
- 116:455 (igmp) DOS IGMP IP options validation attempt
- 116:456 (ipv6) too many IP6 extension headers
- 116:457 (icmp6) ICMPv6 packet of type 1 (destination unreachable) with non-RFC 4443 code
- 116:458 (ipv6) bogus fragmentation packet, possible BSD attack
- 116:459 (decode) fragment with zero length
- 116:460 (icmp6) ICMPv6 node info query/response packet with a code greater than 2
- 116:461 (ipv6) IPV6 routing type 0 extension header
- 116:462 (erspan2) ERSpan header version mismatch
- 116:463 (erspan2) captured < ERSpan type2 header length
- 116:464 (erspan3) captured < ERSpan type3 header length
- 116:465 (auth) truncated authentication header
- 116:466 (auth) bad authentication header length
- 116:467 (fabricpath) truncated FabricPath header
- 116:468 (ciscometadata) truncated Cisco Metadata header
- 116:469 (ciscometadata) invalid Cisco Metadata option length
- 116:470 (ciscometadata) invalid Cisco Metadata option type
- 116:471 (ciscometadata) invalid Cisco Metadata SGT
- 116:472 (decode) too many protocols present

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- 119:1 (http\_inspect) ascii encoding
- 119:2 (http\_inspect) double decoding attack
- 119:3 (http\_inspect) u encoding
- 119:4 (http\_inspect) bare byte unicode encoding
- 119:5 (http\_inspect) obsolete event—should not appear
- 119:6 (http\_inspect) UTF-8 encoding
- 119:7 (http inspect) IIS unicode codepoint encoding
- 119:8 (http\_inspect) multi\_slash encoding
- 119:9 (http\_inspect) IIS backslash evasion
- 119:10 (http\_inspect) self directory traversal
- 119:11 (http\_inspect) directory traversal
- 119:12 (http\_inspect) apache whitespace (tab)
- 119:13 (http\_inspect) non-RFC http delimiter
- 119:14 (http\_inspect) non-RFC defined char
- 119:15 (http\_inspect) oversize request-uri directory
- 119:16 (http\_inspect) oversize chunk encoding
- 119:17 (http\_inspect) unauthorized proxy use detected
- 119:18 (http\_inspect) webroot directory traversal
- 119:19 (http\_inspect) long header
- 119:20 (http\_inspect) max header fields
- 119:21 (http\_inspect) multiple content length
- 119:22 (http\_inspect) chunk size mismatch detected
- 119:23 (http\_inspect) invalid IP in true-client-IP/XFF header
- 119:24 (http\_inspect) multiple host hdrs detected
- 119:25 (http\_inspect) hostname exceeds 255 characters
- 119:26 (http\_inspect) header parsing space saturation
- 119:27 (http\_inspect) client consecutive small chunk sizes
- 119:28 (http\_inspect) post w/o content-length or chunks
- 119:29 (http\_inspect) multiple true ips in a session
- 119:30 (http\_inspect) both true-client-IP and XFF hdrs present
- 119:31 (http\_inspect) unknown method
- 119:32 (http\_inspect) simple request
- 119:33 (http\_inspect) unescaped space in HTTP URI
- 119:34 (http\_inspect) too many pipelined requests
- 119:35 (http\_inspect) anomalous http server on undefined HTTP port

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- 119:36 (http\_inspect) invalid status code in HTTP response
- 119:37 (http\_inspect) no content-length or transfer-encoding in HTTP response
- 119:38 (http\_inspect) HTTP response has UTF charset which failed to normalize
- 119:39 (http\_inspect) HTTP response has UTF-7 charset
- 119:40 (http\_inspect) HTTP response gzip decompression failed
- 119:41 (http\_inspect) server consecutive small chunk sizes
- 119:42 (http inspect) invalid content-length or chunk size
- 119:43 (http\_inspect) javascript obfuscation levels exceeds 1
- 119:44 (http\_inspect) javascript whitespaces exceeds max allowed
- 119:45 (http\_inspect) multiple encodings within javascript obfuscated data
- 119:46 (http\_inspect) SWF file zlib decompression failure
- 119:47 (http\_inspect) SWF file LZMA decompression failure
- 119:48 (http\_inspect) PDF file deflate decompression failure
- 119:49 (http\_inspect) PDF file unsupported compression type
- 119:50 (http\_inspect) PDF file cascaded compression
- 119:51 (http\_inspect) PDF file parse failure
- 119:52 (http\_inspect) Not HTTP traffic
- 119:53 (http\_inspect) Chunk length has excessive leading zeros
- 119:54 (http\_inspect) White space before or between messages
- 119:55 (http\_inspect) Request message without URI
- 119:56 (http\_inspect) Control character in reason phrase
- 119:57 (http\_inspect) Illegal extra whitespace in start line
- 119:58 (http\_inspect) Corrupted HTTP version
- 119:59 (http\_inspect) Unknown HTTP version
- 119:60 (http\_inspect) Format error in HTTP header
- 119:61 (http\_inspect) Chunk header options present
- 119:62 (http\_inspect) URI badly formatted
- 119:63 (http\_inspect) Unrecognized type of percent encoding in URI
- 119:64 (http\_inspect) HTTP chunk misformatted
- 119:65 (http\_inspect) White space following chunk length
- 119:66 (http\_inspect) White space within header name
- 119:67 (http\_inspect) Excessive gzip compression
- 119:68 (http\_inspect) Gzip decompression failed
- 119:69 (http\_inspect) HTTP 0.9 requested followed by another request
- 119:70 (http\_inspect) HTTP 0.9 request following a normal request

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- 119:71 (http\_inspect) Message has both Content-Length and Transfer-Encoding
- 119:72 (http\_inspect) Status code implying no body combined with Transfer-Encoding or nonzero Content-Length
- 119:73 (http\_inspect) Transfer-Encoding did not end with chunked
- 119:74 (http\_inspect) Transfer-Encoding with chunked not at end
- 119:75 (http\_inspect) Misformatted HTTP traffic
- 119:76 (http\_inspect) Unsupported Transfer-Encoding or Content-Encoding used
- 119:77 (http inspect) Unknown Transfer-Encoding or Content-Encoding used
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- 122:1 (port\_scan) TCP portscan
- 122:2 (port\_scan) TCP decoy portscan
- 122:3 (port\_scan) TCP portsweep
- 122:4 (port\_scan) TCP distributed portscan
- 122:5 (port\_scan) TCP filtered portscan
- 122:6 (port\_scan) TCP filtered decoy portscan
- 122:7 (port\_scan) TCP filtered portsweep
- 122:8 (port\_scan) TCP filtered distributed portscan
- 122:9 (port\_scan) IP protocol scan
- 122:10 (port\_scan) IP decoy protocol scan
- 122:11 (port\_scan) IP protocol sweep
- 122:12 (port\_scan) IP distributed protocol scan
- 122:13 (port\_scan) IP filtered protocol scan
- 122:14 (port\_scan) IP filtered decoy protocol scan
- 122:15 (port\_scan) IP filtered protocol sweep
- 122:16 (port\_scan) IP filtered distributed protocol scan
- 122:17 (port\_scan) UDP portscan
- 122:18 (port\_scan) UDP decoy portscan
- 122:19 (port\_scan) UDP portsweep
- 122:20 (port\_scan) UDP distributed portscan
- 122:21 (port\_scan) UDP filtered portscan
- 122:22 (port\_scan) UDP filtered decoy portscan
- 122:23 (port\_scan) UDP filtered portsweep
- 122:24 (port\_scan) UDP filtered distributed portscan
- 122:25 (port\_scan) ICMP sweep
- 122:26 (port\_scan) ICMP filtered sweep
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- 123:1 (stream\_ip) inconsistent IP options on fragmented packets
- 123:2 (stream\_ip) teardrop attack
- 123:3 (stream\_ip) short fragment, possible DOS attempt
- 123:4 (stream\_ip) fragment packet ends after defragmented packet
- 123:5 (stream\_ip) zero-byte fragment packet
- 123:6 (stream\_ip) bad fragment size, packet size is negative
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- 123:8 (stream\_ip) fragmentation overlap
- 123:11 (stream\_ip) TTL value less than configured minimum, not using for reassembly
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- 124:1 (smtp) Attempted command buffer overflow
- 124:2 (smtp) Attempted data header buffer overflow
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- 124:5 (smtp) Unknown command
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- 124:7 (smtp) Attempted header name buffer overflow
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- 124:10 (smtp) Base64 Decoding failed
- 124:11 (smtp) Quoted-Printable Decoding failed
- 124:13 (smtp) Unix-to-Unix Decoding failed
- 124:14 (smtp) Cyrus SASL authentication attack
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- 125:1 (ftp\_server) TELNET cmd on FTP command channel
- 125:2 (ftp\_server) invalid FTP command
- 125:3 (ftp\_server) FTP command parameters were too long
- 125:4 (ftp\_server) FTP command parameters were malformed
- 125:5 (ftp\_server) FTP command parameters contained potential string format
- 125:6 (ftp\_server) FTP response message was too long
- 125:7 (ftp\_server) FTP traffic encrypted
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- 128:2 (ssh) SSH1 CRC32 exploit
- 128:3 (ssh) Server version string overflow
- 128:5 (ssh) Bad message direction
- 128:6 (ssh) Payload size incorrect for the given payload
- 128:7 (ssh) Failed to detect SSH version string
- 129:1 (stream\_tcp) SYN on established session
- 129:2 (stream\_tcp) data on SYN packet
- 129:3 (stream\_tcp) data sent on stream not accepting data
- 129:4 (stream tcp) TCP timestamp is outside of PAWS window
- 129:5 (stream\_tcp) bad segment, adjusted size  $\Leftarrow 0$
- 129:6 (stream\_tcp) window size (after scaling) larger than policy allows
- 129:7 (stream\_tcp) limit on number of overlapping TCP packets reached
- 129:8 (stream\_tcp) data sent on stream after TCP Reset sent
- 129:9 (stream\_tcp) TCP client possibly hijacked, different ethernet address
- 129:10 (stream\_tcp) TCP Server possibly hijacked, different ethernet address
- 129:11 (stream tcp) TCP data with no TCP flags set
- 129:12 (stream\_tcp) consecutive TCP small segments exceeding threshold
- 129:13 (stream\_tcp) 4-way handshake detected
- 129:14 (stream\_tcp) TCP timestamp is missing
- 129:15 (stream\_tcp) reset outside window
- 129:16 (stream\_tcp) FIN number is greater than prior FIN
- 129:17 (stream\_tcp) ACK number is greater than prior FIN
- 129:18 (stream\_tcp) data sent on stream after TCP Reset received
- 129:19 (stream\_tcp) TCP window closed before receiving data
- 129:20 (stream\_tcp) TCP session without 3-way handshake
- 131:1 (dns) Obsolete DNS RR Types
- 131:2 (dns) Experimental DNS RR Types
- 131:3 (dns) DNS Client rdata txt Overflow
- 133:2 (dce\_smb) SMB Bad NetBIOS Session Service session type.
- 133:3 (dce\_smb) SMB Bad SMB message type.
- 133:4 (dce\_smb) SMB Bad SMB Id (not \xffSMB for SMB1 or not \xfeSMB for SMB2).
- 133:5 (dce\_smb) SMB Bad word count or structure size.
- 133:6 (dce\_smb) SMB Bad byte count.

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- 133:7 (dce\_smb) SMB Bad format type.
- 133:8 (dce\_smb) SMB Bad offset.
- 133:9 (dce\_smb) SMB Zero total data count.
- 133:10 (dce\_smb) SMB NetBIOS data length less than SMB header length.
- 133:12 (dce\_smb) SMB Remaining NetBIOS data length less than command byte count.
- 133:13 (dce\_smb) SMB Remaining NetBIOS data length less than command data size.
- 133:14 (dce smb) SMB Remaining total data count less than this command data size.
- 133:15 (dce\_smb) SMB Total data sent (STDu64) greater than command total data expected.
- 133:16 (dce\_smb) SMB Byte count less than command data size (STDu64)
- 133:17 (dce\_smb) SMB Invalid command data size for byte count.
- 133:18 (dce\_smb) SMB Excessive Tree Connect requests with pending Tree Connect responses.
- 133:19 (dce\_smb) SMB Excessive Read requests with pending Read responses.
- 133:20 (dce\_smb) SMB Excessive command chaining.
- 133:21 (dce\_smb) SMB Multiple chained tree connect requests.
- 133:22 (dce\_smb) SMB Multiple chained tree connect requests.
- 133:23 (dce smb) SMB Chained/Compounded login followed by logoff.
- 133:24 (dce smb) SMB Chained/Compounded tree connect followed by tree disconnect.
- 133:25 (dce\_smb) SMB Chained/Compounded open pipe followed by close pipe.
- 133:26 (dce\_smb) SMB Invalid share access.
- 133:27 (dce\_smb) Connection oriented DCE/RPC Invalid major version.
- 133:27 (dce\_tcp) Connection oriented DCE/RPC Invalid major version.
- 133:28 (dce\_smb) Connection oriented DCE/RPC Invalid minor version.
- 133:28 (dce\_tcp) Connection oriented DCE/RPC Invalid minor version.
- 133:29 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Invalid pdu type.
- 133:29 (dce\_tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Invalid pdu type.
- 133:30 (dce smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Fragment length less than header size.
- $\bullet \ \ 133:30 \ (dce\_tcp) \ Connection-oriented \ DCE/RPC \ \ Fragment \ length \ less \ than \ header \ size.$
- 133:32 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC No context items specified.
- 133:32 (dce\_tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC No context items specified.
- 133:33 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC -No transfer syntaxes specified.
- 133:33 (dce tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC -No transfer syntaxes specified.
- 133:34 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Fragment length on non-last fragment less than maximum negotiated fragment transmit size for client.
- 133:34 (dce\_tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Fragment length on non-last fragment less than maximum negotiated fragment transmit size for client.
- 133:35 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Fragment length greater than maximum negotiated fragment transmit size.

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• 133:35 (dce\_tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC - Fragment length greater than maximum negotiated fragment transmit size.

- 133:36 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Alter Context byte order different from Bind
- 133:36 (dce\_tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Alter Context byte order different from Bind
- 133:37 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Call id of non first/last fragment different from call id established for fragmented request.
- 133:37 (dce\_tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Call id of non first/last fragment different from call id established for fragmented request.
- 133:38 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Opnum of non first/last fragment different from opnum established for fragmented request.
- 133:38 (dce\_tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Opnum of non first/last fragment different from opnum established for fragmented request.
- 133:39 (dce\_smb) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Context id of non first/last fragment different from context id established for fragmented request.
- 133:39 (dce\_tcp) Connection-oriented DCE/RPC Context id of non first/last fragment different from context id established for fragmented request.
- 133:40 (dce\_udp) Connection-less DCE/RPC Invalid major version.
- 133:41 (dce\_udp) Connection-less DCE/RPC Invalid pdu type.
- 133:42 (dce\_udp) Connection-less DCE/RPC Data length less than header size.
- 133:43 (dce\_udp) Connection-less DCE/RPC Bad sequence number.
- 133:44 (dce\_smb) SMB Invalid SMB version 1 seen.
- 133:45 (dce smb) SMB Invalid SMB version 2 seen.
- 133:46 (dce\_smb) SMB Invalid user, tree connect, file binding.
- 133:47 (dce smb) SMB Excessive command compounding.
- 133:48 (dce\_smb) SMB Zero data count.
- 133:50 (dce\_smb) SMB Maximum number of outstanding requests exceeded.
- 133:51 (dce\_smb) SMB Outstanding requests with same MID.
- 133:52 (dce\_smb) SMB Deprecated dialect negotiated.
- 133:53 (dce smb) SMB Deprecated command used.
- 133:54 (dce\_smb) SMB Unusual command used.
- 133:55 (dce\_smb) SMB Invalid setup count for command.
- 133:56 (dce\_smb) SMB Client attempted multiple dialect negotiations on session.
- 133:57 (dce\_smb) SMB Client attempted to create or set a file's attributes to readonly/hidden/system.
- 133:58 (dce\_smb) SMB File offset provided is greater than file size specified
- 133:59 (dce\_smb) SMB Next command specified in SMB2 header is beyond payload boundary
- 134:1 (latency) rule tree suspended due to latency
- 134:2 (latency) rule tree re-enabled after suspend timeout
- 134:3 (latency) packet fastpathed due to latency

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- 136:1 (reputation) packets blacklisted
- 136:2 (reputation) Packets whitelisted
- 136:3 (reputation) Packets monitored
- 137:1 (ssl) Invalid Client HELLO after Server HELLO Detected
- 137:2 (ssl) Invalid Server HELLO without Client HELLO Detected
- 137:3 (ssl) Heartbeat Read Overrun Attempt Detected
- 137:4 (ssl) Large Heartbeat Response Detected
- 140:1 (sip) Maximum sessions reached
- 140:2 (sip) Empty request URI
- 140:3 (sip) URI is too long
- 140:4 (sip) Empty call-Id
- 140:5 (sip) Call-Id is too long
- 140:6 (sip) CSeq number is too large or negative
- 140:7 (sip) Request name in CSeq is too long
- 140:8 (sip) Empty From header
- 140:9 (sip) From header is too long
- 140:10 (sip) Empty To header
- 140:11 (sip) To header is too long
- **140:12** (sip) Empty Via header
- 140:13 (sip) Via header is too long
- 140:14 (sip) Empty Contact
- 140:15 (sip) Contact is too long
- 140:16 (sip) Content length is too large or negative
- 140:17 (sip) Multiple SIP messages in a packet
- 140:18 (sip) Content length mismatch
- 140:19 (sip) Request name is invalid
- 140:20 (sip) Invite replay attack
- 140:21 (sip) Illegal session information modification
- 140:22 (sip) Response status code is not a 3 digit number
- 140:23 (sip) Empty Content-type header
- 140:24 (sip) SIP version is invalid
- 140:25 (sip) Mismatch in METHOD of request and the CSEQ header
- 140:26 (sip) Method is unknown
- 140:27 (sip) Maximum dialogs within a session reached
- 141:1 (imap) Unknown IMAP3 command

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- 141:2 (imap) Unknown IMAP3 response
- 141:4 (imap) Base64 Decoding failed.
- 141:5 (imap) Quoted-Printable Decoding failed.
- 141:7 (imap) Unix-to-Unix Decoding failed.
- 142:1 (pop) Unknown POP3 command
- 142:2 (pop) Unknown POP3 response
- 142:4 (pop) Base64 Decoding failed.
- 142:5 (pop) Quoted-Printable Decoding failed.
- 142:7 (pop) Unix-to-Unix Decoding failed.
- 143:1 (gtp\_inspect) message length is invalid
- 143:2 (gtp\_inspect) information element length is invalid
- 143:3 (gtp inspect) information elements are out of order
- 144:1 (modbus) length in Modbus MBAP header does not match the length needed for the given function
- 144:2 (modbus) Modbus protocol ID is non-zero
- 144:3 (modbus) Reserved Modbus function code in use
- 145:1 (dnp3) DNP3 Link-Layer Frame contains bad CRC.
- 145:2 (dnp3) DNP3 Link-Layer Frame was dropped.
- 145:3 (dnp3) DNP3 Transport-Layer Segment was dropped during reassembly.
- 145:4 (dnp3) DNP3 Reassembly Buffer was cleared without reassembling a complete message.
- 145:5 (dnp3) DNP3 Link-Layer Frame uses a reserved address.
- 145:6 (dnp3) DNP3 Application-Layer Fragment uses a reserved function code.

#### 16.13 Command Set

- packet\_capture.disable(): stop packet dump
- packet\_capture.enable(filter): dump raw packets
- snort.detach(): exit shell w/o shutdown
- snort.dump\_stats(): show summary statistics
- **snort.help**(): this output
- snort.pause(): suspend packet processing
- **snort.quit**(): shutdown and dump-stats
- snort.reload\_config(filename): load new configuration
- snort.reload hosts(filename): load a new hosts table
- snort.resume(): continue packet processing
- snort.rotate\_stats(): roll perfmonitor log files
- snort.show\_plugins(): show available plugins

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# 16.14 Signals



### **Important**

Signal numbers are for the system that generated this documentation and are not applicable elsewhere.

• hosts(23): reload hosts file

• **int**(2): shutdown normally

• quit(3): shutdown as if started with --dirty-pig

• reload(1): reload config file

• rotate(12): rotate stats files

• stats(10): dump stats to stdout

• **term**(15): shutdown normally

# 16.15 Configuration Changes

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change -> dynamicdetection ==> 'snort.--plugin_path=<path>'
change ->
          dynamicengine ==> 'snort.--plugin_path=<path>'
          dynamicpreprocessor ==> 'snort.--plugin_path=<path>'
change -> dynamicsidechannel ==> 'snort.--plugin_path=<path>'
change -> alertfile: 'config alertfile:' ==> 'alert_fast.file'
change -> alertfile: 'config alertfile:' ==> 'alert_full.file'
change -> attribute_table: 'STREAM_POLICY' ==> 'hosts: tcp_policy'
change -> attribute_table: 'filename <file_name>' ==> 'hosts[]'
change -> config ' addressspace_agnostic' ==> ' packets. address_space_agnostic'
change -> config ' checksum_mode' ==> ' network. checksum_eval'
change -> config ' daq' ==> ' daq. type'
change -> config ' daq_dir' ==> ' daq. dir'
change -> config ' daq_mode' ==> ' daq. mode'
change -> config ' daq_var' ==> ' daq. var'
change -> config ' detection_filter' ==> ' alerts. detection_filter_memcap'
change -> config ' enable_deep_teredo_inspection' ==> ' udp. deep_teredo_inspection'
change -> config ' event_filter' ==> ' alerts. event_filter_memcap'
change -> config ' max_attribute_hosts' ==> ' attribute_table. max_hosts'
change -> config ' max_attribute_services_per_host' ==> ' attribute_table. \leftrightarrow
   max_services_per_host'
change -> config ' nopcre' ==> ' detection. pcre_enable'
change -> config ' pkt_count' ==> ' packets. limit'
change -> config ' rate_filter' ==> ' alerts. rate_filter_memcap'
change -> config ' react' ==> ' react. page'
change -> config ' threshold' ==> ' alerts. event_filter_memcap'
change -> csv: 'dgmlen' ==> 'dgm_len'
change -> csv: 'dst' ==> 'dst_addr'
change -> csv: 'dstport' ==> 'dst_port'
change -> csv: 'ethdst' ==> 'eth_dst'
change -> csv: 'ethlen' ==> 'eth_len'
change -> csv: 'ethsrc' ==> 'eth_src'
change -> csv: 'ethtype' ==> 'eth_type'
change -> csv: 'icmpcode' ==> 'icmp_code'
change -> csv: 'icmpid' ==> 'icmp_id'
change -> csv: 'icmpseq' ==> 'icmp_seq'
change -> csv: 'icmptype' ==> 'icmp_type'
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change -> csv: 'iplen' ==> 'ip_len'
change -> csv: 'sig_generator' ==> 'gid'
change -> csv: 'sig_id' ==> 'sid'
change -> csv: 'sig_rev' ==> 'rev'
change -> csv: 'src' ==> 'src_addr'
change -> csv: 'srcport' ==> 'src_port'
change -> csv: 'tcpack' ==> 'tcp_ack'
change -> csv: 'tcpflags' ==> 'tcp_flags'
change -> csv: 'tcplen' ==> 'tcp_len'
change -> csv: 'tcpseq' ==> 'tcp_seq'
change -> csv: 'tcpwindow' ==> 'tcp_win'
change -> csv: 'udplength' ==> 'udp_len'
change -> detection: 'ac' ==> 'ac_full_g'
change -> detection: 'ac-banded' ==> 'ac_banded'
change -> detection: 'ac-bnfa' ==> 'ac_bnfa_q'
change -> detection: 'ac-bnfa-nq' ==> 'ac_bnfa'
change -> detection: 'ac-bnfa-q' ==> 'ac_bnfa_q'
change -> detection: 'ac-nq' ==> 'ac_full'
change -> detection: 'ac-q' ==> 'ac_full_q'
change -> detection: 'ac-sparsebands' ==> 'ac_sparse_bands'
change -> detection: 'ac-split' ==> 'ac_full_q'
change -> detection: 'ac-split' ==> 'split_any_any'
change -> detection: 'ac-std' ==> 'ac_std'
change -> detection: 'acs' ==> 'ac_sparse'
change -> detection: 'bleedover-port-limit' ==> 'bleedover_port_limit'
change -> detection: 'intel-cpm' ==> 'intel_cpm'
change -> detection: 'lowmem' ==> 'lowmem_q'
change -> detection: 'lowmem-nq' ==> 'lowmem'
change -> detection: 'lowmem-q' ==> 'lowmem_q'
change -> detection: 'max-pattern-len' ==> 'max_pattern_len'
change -> detection: 'search-method' ==> 'search_method'
change -> detection: 'search-optimize' ==> 'search_optimize'
change -> detection: 'split-any-any' ==> 'split_any_any'
change -> dns: 'ports' ==> 'bindings'
change -> event_filter: 'gen_id' ==> 'gid'
change -> event_filter: 'sig_id' ==> 'sid'
change -> event_filter: 'threshold' ==> 'event_filter'
change -> file: 'config file: file_block_timeout' ==> 'block_timeout'
change -> file: 'config file: file_type_depth' ==> 'type_depth'
change -> file: 'config file: signature' ==> 'enable_signature'
change -> file: 'config file: type_id' ==> 'enable_type'
change -> frag3_engine: 'min_fragment_length' ==> 'min_frag_length'
change -> frag3_engine: 'overlap_limit' ==> 'max_overlaps'
change -> frag3_engine: 'policy bsd-right' ==> 'policy = bsd_right'
change -> frag3_engine: 'timeout' ==> 'session_timeout'
change -> ftp_telnet_protocol: 'alt_max_param_len' ==> 'cmd_validity'
change -> ftp_telnet_protocol: 'data_chan' ==> 'ignore_data_chan'
change -> ftp_telnet_protocol: 'ports' ==> 'bindings'
change -> gtp: 'ports' ==> 'gtp_ports'
change -> http_inspect: 'http_inspect' ==> 'http_global'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'apache_whitespace' ==> 'profile.apache_whitespace'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'ascii' ==> 'profile.ascii'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'bare_byte' ==> 'profile.bare_byte'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'chunk_length' ==> 'profile.chunk_length'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'client_flow_depth' ==> 'profile.client_flow_depth'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'directory' ==> 'profile.directory'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'double_decode' ==> 'profile.double_decode'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'enable_cookie' ==> 'enable_cookies'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'flow_depth' ==> 'server_flow_depth'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'http_inspect_server' ==> 'http_inspect'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'iis_backslash' ==> 'profile.iis_backslash'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'iis_delimiter' ==> 'profile.iis_delimiter'
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change -> http_inspect_server: 'iis_unicode' ==> 'profile.iis_unicode'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'max_header_length' ==> 'profile.max_header_length'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'max_headers' ==> 'profile.max_headers'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'max_spaces' ==> 'profile.max_spaces'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'multi_slash' ==> 'profile.multi_slash'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'non_rfc_char' ==> 'non_rfc_chars'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'non_strict' ==> 'profile.non_strict'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'normalize_utf' ==> 'profile.normalize_utf'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'ports' ==> 'bindings'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'u_encode' ==> 'profile.u_encode'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'utf_8' ==> 'profile.utf_8'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'webroot' ==> 'profile.webroot'
change -> http_inspect_server: 'whitespace_chars' ==> 'profile.whitespace_chars'
change -> imap: 'ports' ==> 'bindings'
change -> paf_max: 'paf_max [0:63780]' ==> 'max_pdu [1460:63780]'
change -> perfmonitor: 'accumulate' ==> 'reset = false'
change -> perfmonitor: 'flow-file' ==> 'flow_file = true'
change -> perfmonitor: 'flow-ip' ==> 'flow_ip'
change -> perfmonitor: 'flow-ip-file' ==> 'flow_ip_file = true'
change -> perfmonitor: 'flow-ip-memcap' ==> 'flow_ip_memcap'
change -> perfmonitor: 'flow-ports' ==> 'flow_ports'
change -> perfmonitor: 'pktcnt' ==> 'packets'
change -> perfmonitor: 'snortfile' ==> 'file = true'
change -> perfmonitor: 'time' ==> 'seconds'
change -> policy_mode: 'inline_test' ==> 'inline-test'
change -> pop: 'ports' ==> 'bindings'
change -> ppm: 'max-pkt-time' ==> 'max_pkt_time'
change -> ppm: 'max-rule-time' ==> 'max_rule_time'
change -> ppm: 'pkt-log' ==> 'pkt_log'
change -> ppm: 'rule-log' ==> 'rule_log'
change -> ppm: 'suspend-timeout' ==> 'suspend_timeout'
change -> preprocessor 'normalize_ icmp4' ==> 'normalize. icmp4'
change -> preprocessor 'normalize_ icmp6' ==> 'normalize. icmp6'
change -> preprocessor 'normalize_ ip6' ==> 'normalize. ip6'
change -> profile: 'print' ==> 'count'
change -> rate_filter: 'gen_id' ==> 'gid'
change -> rate_filter: 'sig_id' ==> 'sid'
change -> rule_state: 'disabled' ==> 'enable'
change -> rule_state: 'enabled' ==> 'enable'
change -> sfportscan: 'proto' ==> 'protos'
change -> sfportscan: 'scan_type' ==> 'scan_types'
change -> sip: 'ports' ==> 'bindings'
change -> smtp: 'ports' ==> 'bindings'
change -> ssh: 'server_ports' ==> 'bindings'
change -> ssl: 'ports' ==> 'bindings'
change -> stream5_global: 'max_active_responses' ==> 'max_responses'
change -> stream5_global: 'max_icmp' ==> 'max_sessions'
change -> stream5_global: 'max_ip' ==> 'max_sessions'
change -> stream5_global: 'max_tcp' ==> 'max_sessions'
change -> stream5_global: 'max_udp' ==> 'max_sessions'
change -> stream5_global: 'min_response_seconds' ==> 'min_interval'
change -> stream5_global: 'prune_log_max' ==> 'histogram'
change -> stream5_global: 'tcp_cache_nominal_timeout' ==> 'pruning_timeout'
change -> stream5_global: 'tcp_cache_pruning_timeout' ==> 'idle_timeout'
change -> stream5_global: 'udp_cache_nominal_timeout' ==> 'idle_timeout'
change -> stream5_global: 'udp_cache_pruning_timeout' ==> 'pruning_timeout'
change -> stream5_ip: 'timeout' ==> 'session_timeout'
change -> stream5_tcp: 'bind_to' ==> 'bindings'
change -> stream5_tcp: 'dont_reassemble_async' ==> 'reassemble_async'
change -> stream5_tcp: 'max_queued_bytes' ==> 'queue_limit.max_bytes'
change -> stream5_tcp: 'max_queued_segs' ==> 'queue_limit.max_segments'
change -> stream5_tcp: 'policy hpux' ==> 'stream_tcp.policy = hpux11'
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change -> stream5_tcp: 'timeout' ==> 'session_timeout'
change -> stream5_tcp: 'use_static_footprint_sizes' ==> 'footprint'
change -> stream5_udp: 'timeout' ==> 'session_timeout'
change -> suppress: 'gen_id' ==> 'gid'
change -> suppress: 'sig_id' ==> 'sid'
change -> syslog: 'log_alert' ==> 'level = alert'
change -> syslog: 'log_auth' ==> 'facility = auth'
change -> syslog: 'log_authpriv' ==> 'facility = authpriv'
change -> syslog: 'log_cons' ==> 'options = cons'
change -> syslog: 'log_crit' ==> 'level = crit'
change -> syslog: 'log_daemon' ==> 'facility = daemon'
change -> syslog: 'log_debug' ==> 'level = debug'
change -> syslog: 'log_emerg' ==> 'level = emerg'
change -> syslog: 'log_err' ==> 'level = err'
change -> syslog: 'log_info' ==> 'level = info'
change -> syslog: 'log_local0' ==> 'facility = local0'
change -> syslog: 'log_local1' ==> 'facility = local1'
change -> syslog: 'log_local2' ==> 'facility = local2'
change -> syslog: 'log_local3' ==> 'facility = local3'
change -> syslog: 'log_local4' ==> 'facility = local4'
change -> syslog: 'log_local5' ==> 'facility = local5'
change -> syslog: 'log_local6' ==> 'facility = local6'
change -> syslog: 'log_local7' ==> 'facility = local7'
change -> syslog: 'log_ndelay' ==> 'options = ndelay'
change -> syslog: 'log_notice' ==> 'level = notice'
change -> syslog: 'log_perror' ==> 'options = perror'
change -> syslog: 'log_pid' ==> 'options = pid'
change -> syslog: 'log_user' ==> 'facility = user'
change -> syslog: 'log_warning' ==> 'level = warning'
change -> threshold: 'ips_option: threshold' ==> 'event_filter'
change -> unified2: ' alert_unified2' ==> 'unified2'
change -> unified2: ' log_unified2' ==> 'unified2'
change -> unified2: ' unified2' ==> 'unified2'
deleted -> arpspoof: 'unicast'
deleted -> attribute_table: '<FRAG_POLICY>hpux</FRAG_POLICY>'
deleted -> attribute_table: '<FRAG_POLICY>irix</FRAG_POLICY>'
deleted -> attribute_table: '<FRAG_POLICY>old-linux</FRAG_POLICY>'
deleted -> attribute_table: '<FRAG_POLICY>unknown</FRAG_POLICY>'
deleted -> attribute_table: '<STREAM_POLICY>noack</STREAM_POLICY>'
deleted -> attribute_table: '<STREAM_POLICY>unknown</STREAM_POLICY>'
deleted -> config ' cs_dir'
deleted -> config ' disable_attribute_reload_thread'
deleted -> config ' disable_decode_alerts'
deleted -> config ' disable_decode_drops'
deleted -> config ' disable_ipopt_alerts'
deleted -> config ' disable_ipopt_drops'
deleted -> config ' disable_tcpopt_alerts'
deleted -> config ' disable_tcpopt_drops'
deleted -> config ' disable_tcpopt_experimental_alerts'
deleted -> config ' disable_tcpopt_experimental_drops'
deleted -> config ' disable_tcpopt_obsolete_alerts'
deleted -> config ' disable_tcpopt_obsolete_drops'
deleted -> config ' disable_tcpopt_obsolete_drops'
deleted -> config ' disable_tcpopt_ttcp_alerts'
deleted -> config ' disable_ttcp_alerts'
deleted -> config ' disable_ttcp_drops'
deleted -> config ' dump_dynamic_rules_path'
deleted -> config ' enable_decode_drops'
deleted -> config ' enable_decode_oversized_alerts'
deleted -> config ' enable_decode_oversized_drops'
deleted -> config ' enable_ipopt_drops'
deleted -> config ' enable_tcpopt_drops'
deleted -> config ' enable_tcpopt_experimental_drops'
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deleted -> config ' enable_tcpopt_obsolete_drops'
deleted -> config ' enable_tcpopt_ttcp_drops'
deleted -> config ' enable_ttcp_drops'
deleted -> config ' flexresp2_attempts'
deleted -> config ' flexresp2_interface'
deleted -> config ' flexresp2_memcap'
deleted -> config ' flexresp2_rows'
deleted -> config ' flowbits_size'
deleted -> config ' include_vlan_in_alerts'
deleted -> config ' interface'
deleted -> config ' layer2resets'
deleted -> config ' policy_version'
deleted -> config ' so_rule_memcap'
deleted -> csv: '<filename> can no longer be specific'
deleted -> csv: 'default'
deleted -> csv: 'trheader'
deleted -> detection: 'mwm'
deleted -> dns: 'enable_experimental_types'
deleted -> dns: 'enable_obsolete_types'
deleted -> dns: 'enable_rdata_overflow'
deleted -> fast: '<filename> can no longer be specific'
deleted -> frag3_engine: 'detect_anomalies'
deleted -> frag3_global: 'disabled'
deleted -> ftp_telnet_protocol: 'detect_anomalies'
deleted -> full: '<filename> can no longer be specific'
deleted -> http_inspect: 'disabled'
deleted -> http_inspect_server: 'no_alerts'
deleted -> imap: 'disabled'
deleted -> imap: 'max_mime_mem'
deleted -> imap: 'memcap'
deleted -> perfmonitor: 'atexitonly'
deleted -> perfmonitor: 'atexitonly: base-stats'
deleted -> perfmonitor: 'atexitonly: events-stats'
deleted -> perfmonitor: 'atexitonly: flow-ip-stats'
deleted -> perfmonitor: 'atexitonly: flow-stats'
deleted -> pop: 'disabled'
deleted -> pop: 'max_mime_mem'
deleted -> pop: 'memcap'
deleted -> ppm: 'debug-pkts'
deleted -> react: 'block'
deleted -> react: 'warn'
deleted -> rpc_decode: 'alert_fragments'
deleted -> rpc_decode: 'no_alert_incomplete'
deleted -> rpc_decode: 'no_alert_large_fragments'
deleted -> rpc_decode: 'no_alert_multiple_requests'
deleted -> rule_state: 'action'
deleted -> sfportscan: 'detect_ack_scans'
deleted -> sfportscan: 'disabled'
deleted -> sfportscan: 'logfile'
deleted -> sip: 'disabled'
deleted -> smtp: 'alert_unknown_cmds'
deleted -> smtp: 'disabled'
deleted -> smtp: 'enable_mime_decoding'
deleted -> smtp: 'inspection_type'
deleted -> smtp: 'max_mime_depth'
deleted -> smtp: 'max_mime_mem'
deleted -> smtp: 'memcap'
deleted -> smtp: 'no_alerts'
deleted -> smtp: 'print_cmds'
deleted -> ssh: 'autodetect'
deleted -> ssh: 'enable_badmsgdir'
deleted -> ssh: 'enable_paysize'
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deleted -> ssh: 'enable_protomismatch'
deleted -> ssh: 'enable_recognition'
deleted -> ssh: 'enable_respoverflow'
deleted -> ssh: 'enable_srvoverflow'
deleted -> ssh: 'enable_ssh1crc32'
deleted -> ssl: 'noinspect_encrypted'
deleted -> stream5_global: 'disabled'
deleted -> stream5_global: 'flush_on_alert'
deleted -> stream5_global: 'no_midstream_drop_alerts'
deleted -> stream5_tcp: 'check_session_hijacking'
deleted -> stream5_tcp: 'detect_anomalies'
deleted -> stream5_tcp: 'dont_store_large_packets'
deleted -> stream5_tcp: 'policy noack'
deleted -> stream5_tcp: 'policy unknown'
deleted -> tcpdump: '<filename> can no longer be specific'
deleted -> test: 'file'
deleted -> test: 'stdout'
deleted -> unified2: 'filename'
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- ack (ips\_option): rule option to match on TCP ack numbers
- active (basic): configure responses
- alert\_csv (logger): output event in csv format
- alert\_fast (logger): output event with brief text format
- alert\_full (logger): output event with full packet dump
- alert\_sfsocket (logger): output event over socket
- alert\_syslog (logger): output event to syslog
- alerts (basic): configure alerts
- appid (inspector): application and service identification
- appids (ips\_option): detection option for application ids
- arp (codec): support for address resolution protocol
- arp\_spoof (inspector): detect ARP attacks and anomalies
- asn1 (ips\_option): rule option for asn1 detection
- attribute\_table (basic): configure hosts loading
- auth (codec): support for IP authentication header
- back\_orifice (inspector): back orifice detection
- base64\_decode (ips\_option): rule option to decode base64 data must be used with base64\_data option
- binder (inspector): configure processing based on CIDRs, ports, services, etc.
- bufferlen (ips\_option): rule option to check length of current buffer
- byte\_extract (ips\_option): rule option to convert data to an integer variable
- byte\_jump (ips\_option): rule option to move the detection cursor
- byte\_test (ips\_option): rule option to convert data to integer and compare

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- ciscometadata (codec): support for cisco metadata
- classifications (basic): define rule categories with priority
- classtype (ips\_option): general rule option for rule classification
- content (ips\_option): payload rule option for basic pattern matching
- cvs (ips\_option): payload rule option for detecting specific attacks
- daq (basic): configure packet acquisition interface
- dce iface (ips option): detection option to check dcerpc interface
- dce\_opnum (ips\_option): detection option to check dcerpc operation number
- dce\_smb (inspector): dce over smb inspection
- dce\_stub\_data (ips\_option): sets the cursor to dcerpc stub data
- dce\_tcp (inspector): dce over tcp inspection
- dce\_udp (inspector): dce over udp inspection
- decode (basic): general decoder rules
- detection (basic): configure general IPS rule processing parameters
- detection\_filter (ips\_option): rule option to require multiple hits before a rule generates an event
- dnp3 (inspector): dnp3 inspection
- dnp3\_data (ips\_option): sets the cursor to dnp3 data
- dnp3\_func (ips\_option): detection option to check dnp3 function code
- dnp3\_ind (ips\_option): detection option to check dnp3 indicator flags
- dnp3\_obj (ips\_option): detection option to check dnp3 object headers
- dns (inspector): dns inspection
- dsize (ips\_option): rule option to test payload size
- erspan2 (codec): support for encapsulated remote switched port analyzer type 2
- erspan3 (codec): support for encapsulated remote switched port analyzer type 3
- esp (codec): support for encapsulating security payload
- eth (codec): support for ethernet protocol (DLT 1) (DLT 51)
- event\_filter (basic): configure thresholding of events
- event\_queue (basic): configure event queue parameters
- fabricpath (codec): support for fabricpath
- file\_connector (connector): implement the file based connector
- file\_data (ips\_option): rule option to set detection cursor to file data
- file\_id (basic): configure file identification
- file\_log (inspector): log file event to file.log
- file\_type (ips\_option): rule option to check file type
- flags (ips\_option): rule option to test TCP control flags

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- flow (ips\_option): rule option to check session properties
- flowbits (ips\_option): rule option to set and test arbitrary boolean flags
- fragbits (ips\_option): rule option to test IP frag flags
- fragoffset (ips\_option): rule option to test IP frag offset
- ftp\_client (inspector): FTP client configuration module for use with ftp\_server
- ftp\_data (inspector): FTP data channel handler
- ftp server (inspector): main FTP module; ftp client should also be configured
- gid (ips\_option): rule option specifying rule generator
- gre (codec): support for generic routing encapsulation
- gtp (codec): support for general-packet-radio-service tunnelling protocol
- gtp\_info (ips\_option): rule option to check gtp info element
- gtp\_inspect (inspector): gtp control channel inspection
- gtp\_type (ips\_option): rule option to check gtp types
- gtp\_version (ips\_option): rule option to check gtp version
- high\_availability (basic): implement flow tracking high availability
- host\_cache (basic): configure hosts
- host\_tracker (basic): configure hosts
- hosts (basic): configure hosts
- http\_client\_body (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the request body
- http\_cookie (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the HTTP cookie
- http\_header (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the normalized headers
- http\_inspect (inspector): HTTP inspector
- http\_method (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the HTTP request method
- http\_raw\_cookie (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized cookie
- http\_raw\_header (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized headers
- http\_raw\_request (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized request line
- http\_raw\_status (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized status line
- http\_raw\_trailer (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized trailers
- http\_raw\_uri (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized URI
- http\_stat\_code (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the HTTP status code
- http\_stat\_msg (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the HTTP status message
- http\_trailer (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the normalized trailers
- http\_uri (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the normalized URI buffer
- http\_version (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the version buffer
- icmp4 (codec): support for Internet control message protocol v4

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- icmp6 (codec): support for Internet control message protocol v6
- icmp\_id (ips\_option): rule option to check ICMP ID
- icmp\_seq (ips\_option): rule option to check ICMP sequence number
- icode (ips\_option): rule option to check ICMP code
- id (ips option): rule option to check the IP ID field
- igmp (codec): support for Internet group management protocol
- imap (inspector): imap inspection
- ip\_proto (ips\_option): rule option to check the IP protocol number
- ipopts (ips\_option): rule option to check for IP options
- ips (basic): configure IPS rule processing
- ipv4 (codec): support for Internet protocol v4
- ipv6 (codec): support for Internet protocol v6
- isdataat (ips\_option): rule option to check for the presence of payload data
- itype (ips\_option): rule option to check ICMP type
- latency (basic): packet and rule latency monitoring and control
- log\_codecs (logger): log protocols in packet by layer
- log\_hext (logger): output payload suitable for daq hext
- log\_pcap (logger): log packet in pcap format
- md5 (ips\_option): payload rule option for hash matching
- memory (basic): memory management configuration
- metadata (ips\_option): rule option for conveying arbitrary name, value data within the rule text
- modbus (inspector): modbus inspection
- modbus\_data (ips\_option): rule option to set cursor to modbus data
- modbus\_func (ips\_option): rule option to check modbus function code
- modbus\_unit (ips\_option): rule option to check modbus unit ID
- mpls (codec): support for multiprotocol label switching
- msg (ips\_option): rule option summarizing rule purpose output with events
- network (basic): configure basic network parameters
- normalizer (inspector): packet scrubbing for inline mode
- output (basic): configure general output parameters
- packet\_capture (inspector): raw packet dumping facility
- packets (basic): configure basic packet handling
- pcre (ips\_option): rule option for matching payload data with pcre
- perf\_monitor (inspector): performance monitoring and flow statistics collection
- pgm (codec): support for pragmatic general multicast

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- pkt\_data (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the normalized packet data
- pop (inspector): pop inspection
- port\_scan (inspector): port scan inspector; also configure port\_scan\_global
- port\_scan\_global (inspector): shared settings for port\_scan inspectors for use with port\_scan
- pppoe (codec): support for point-to-point protocol over ethernet
- priority (ips\_option): rule option for prioritizing events
- process (basic): configure basic process setup
- profiler (basic): configure profiling of rules and/or modules
- rate\_filter (basic): configure rate filters (which change rule actions)
- raw\_data (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the raw packet data
- react (ips action): send response to client and terminate session
- reference (ips\_option): rule option to indicate relevant attack identification system
- references (basic): define reference systems used in rules
- regex (ips\_option): rule option for matching payload data with hyperscan regex
- reject (ips\_action): terminate session with TCP reset or ICMP unreachable
- rem (ips\_option): rule option to convey an arbitrary comment in the rule body
- replace (ips\_option): rule option to overwrite payload data; use with rewrite action
- reputation (inspector): reputation inspection
- rev (ips\_option): rule option to indicate current revision of signature
- rewrite (ips\_action): overwrite packet contents
- rpc (ips\_option): rule option to check SUNRPC CALL parameters
- rpc\_decode (inspector): RPC inspector
- rule\_state (basic): enable/disable specific IPS rules
- sd\_pattern (ips\_option): rule option for detecting sensitive data
- search\_engine (basic): configure fast pattern matcher
- seq (ips\_option): rule option to check TCP sequence number
- session (ips\_option): rule option to check user data from TCP sessions
- sha256 (ips option): payload rule option for hash matching
- sha512 (ips\_option): payload rule option for hash matching
- sid (ips\_option): rule option to indicate signature number
- side\_channel (basic): implement the side-channel asynchronous messaging subsystem
- sip (inspector): sip inspection
- sip\_body (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the request body
- sip\_header (ips\_option): rule option to set the detection cursor to the SIP header buffer
- **sip\_method** (ips\_option): detection option for sip stat code

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- sip\_stat\_code (ips\_option): detection option for sip stat code
- smtp (inspector): smtp inspection
- snort (basic): command line configuration and shell commands
- so (ips\_option): rule option to call custom eval function
- soid (ips\_option): rule option to specify a shared object rule ID
- ssh (inspector): ssh inspection
- ssl (inspector): ssl inspection
- ssl\_state (ips\_option): detection option for ssl state
- ssl\_version (ips\_option): detection option for ssl version
- **stream** (inspector): common flow tracking
- stream\_file (inspector): stream inspector for file flow tracking and processing
- stream\_icmp (inspector): stream inspector for ICMP flow tracking
- stream ip (inspector): stream inspector for IP flow tracking and defragmentation
- stream\_reassemble (ips\_option): detection option for stream reassembly control
- stream\_size (ips\_option): detection option for stream size checking
- stream\_tcp (inspector): stream inspector for TCP flow tracking and stream normalization and reassembly
- stream\_udp (inspector): stream inspector for UDP flow tracking
- stream\_user (inspector): stream inspector for user flow tracking and reassembly
- suppress (basic): configure event suppressions
- tag (ips\_option): rule option to log additional packets
- tcp (codec): support for transmission control protocol
- **tcp\_connector** (connector): implement the tcp stream connector
- telnet (inspector): telnet inspection and normalization
- tos (ips\_option): rule option to check type of service field
- ttl (ips\_option): rule option to check time to live field
- udp (codec): support for user datagram protocol
- unified2 (logger): output event and packet in unified2 format file
- vlan (codec): support for local area network
- window (ips\_option): rule option to check TCP window field
- wizard (inspector): inspector that implements port-independent protocol identification :leveloffset: 0

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#### 16.16.1 Plugin Listing

- codec::arp: support for address resolution protocol
- codec::auth: support for IP authentication header
- codec::ciscometadata: support for cisco metadata
- codec::erspan2: support for encapsulated remote switched port analyzer type 2
- codec::erspan3: support for encapsulated remote switched port analyzer type 3
- codec::esp: support for encapsulating security payload
- codec::eth: support for ethernet protocol (DLT 1) (DLT 51)
- codec::fabricpath: support for fabricpath
- codec::gre: support for generic routing encapsulation
- codec::gtp: support for general-packet-radio-service tunnelling protocol
- codec::icmp4: support for Internet control message protocol v4
- codec::icmp4\_ip: support for IP in ICMPv4
- codec::icmp6: support for Internet control message protocol v6
- codec::icmp6\_ip: support for IP in ICMPv6
- codec::igmp: support for Internet group management protocol
- codec::ipv4: support for Internet protocol v4
- codec::ipv6: support for Internet protocol v6
- codec::ipv6\_dst\_opts: support for ipv6 destination options
- codec::ipv6\_frag: support for IPv6 fragment decoding
- codec::ipv6\_hop\_opts: support for IPv6 hop options
- codec::ipv6\_mobility: support for mobility
- codec::ipv6\_no\_next: sentinel codec
- codec::ipv6\_routing: support for IPv6 routing extension
- codec::llc: support for logical link control
- codec::mpls: support for multiprotocol label switching
- codec::pgm: support for pragmatic general multicast
- codec::ppp\_encap: support for point-to-point encapsulation
- codec::pppoe\_disc: support for point-to-point discovery
- codec::pppoe\_sess: support for point-to-point session
- codec::sun\_nd: support for Sun ND
- codec::swipe: support for Swipe
- codec::tcp: support for transmission control protocol
- codec::teredo: support for teredo
- codec::trans\_bridge: support for trans-bridging

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- codec::udp: support for user datagram protocol
- codec::user: support for user sessions (DLT 230)
- codec::vlan: support for local area network
- connector::file\_connector: implement the file based connector
- connector::tcp\_connector: implement the tcp stream connector
- inspector::appid: application and service identification
- inspector::arp\_spoof: detect ARP attacks and anomalies
- inspector::back\_orifice: back orifice detection
- inspector::binder: configure processing based on CIDRs, ports, services, etc.
- inspector::dce\_smb: dce over smb inspection
- inspector::dce\_tcp: dce over tcp inspection
- inspector::dce\_udp: dce over udp inspection
- inspector::dnp3: dnp3 inspection
- inspector::dns: dns inspection
- inspector::file\_log: log file event to file.log
- inspector::ftp\_client: FTP inspector client module
- inspector::ftp\_data: FTP data channel handler
- inspector::ftp\_server: FTP inspector server module
- inspector::gtp\_inspect: gtp control channel inspection
- inspector::http\_inspect: the new HTTP inspector!
- inspector::imap: imap inspection
- inspector::modbus: modbus inspection
- inspector::normalizer: packet scrubbing for inline mode
- inspector::packet\_capture: raw packet dumping facility
- inspector::perf\_monitor: performance monitoring and flow statistics collection
- inspector::pop: pop inspection
- inspector::port\_scan: port scan inspector; also configure port\_scan\_global
- inspector::port\_scan\_global: shared settings for port\_scan inspectors for use with port\_scan
- inspector::reputation: reputation inspection
- inspector::rpc\_decode: RPC inspector
- inspector::sip: sip inspection
- inspector::smtp: smtp inspection
- inspector::ssh: ssh inspection
- inspector::ssl: ssl inspection
- inspector::stream: common flow tracking

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- inspector::stream file: stream inspector for file flow tracking and processing
- inspector::stream\_icmp: stream inspector for ICMP flow tracking
- inspector::stream\_ip: stream inspector for IP flow tracking and defragmentation
- inspector::stream\_tcp: stream inspector for TCP flow tracking and stream normalization and reassembly
- inspector::stream\_udp: stream inspector for UDP flow tracking
- inspector::stream\_user: stream inspector for user flow tracking and reassembly
- **inspector::telnet**: telnet inspection and normalization
- inspector::wizard: inspector that implements port-independent protocol identification
- ips\_action::react: send response to client and terminate session
- ips\_action::reject: terminate session with TCP reset or ICMP unreachable
- ips action::rewrite: overwrite packet contents
- ips\_option::ack: rule option to match on TCP ack numbers
- ips\_option::appids: detection option for application ids
- ips\_option::asn1: rule option for asn1 detection
- ips\_option::base64\_data: set detection cursor to decoded Base64 data
- ips\_option::base64\_decode: rule option to decode base64 data must be used with base64\_data option
- ips\_option::bufferlen: rule option to check length of current buffer
- ips option::byte extract: rule option to convert data to an integer variable
- ips\_option::byte\_jump: rule option to move the detection cursor
- ips\_option::byte\_test: rule option to convert data to integer and compare
- ips\_option::classtype: general rule option for rule classification
- ips\_option::content: payload rule option for basic pattern matching
- ips\_option::cvs: payload rule option for detecting specific attacks
- ips\_option::dce\_iface: detection option to check dcerpc interface
- ips\_option::dce\_opnum: detection option to check dcerpc operation number
- ips\_option::dce\_stub\_data: sets the cursor to dcerpc stub data
- ips option::detection filter: rule option to require multiple hits before a rule generates an event
- ips option::dnp3 data: sets the cursor to dnp3 data
- ips\_option::dnp3\_func: detection option to check dnp3 function code
- ips\_option::dnp3\_ind: detection option to check dnp3 indicator flags
- ips\_option::dnp3\_obj: detection option to check dnp3 object headers
- ips\_option::dsize: rule option to test payload size
- ips\_option::file\_data: rule option to set detection cursor to file data
- ips\_option::file\_type: rule option to check file type
- ips\_option::flags: rule option to test TCP control flags

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- ips option::flow: rule option to check session properties
- ips\_option::flowbits: rule option to set and test arbitrary boolean flags
- ips\_option::fragbits: rule option to test IP frag flags
- ips\_option::fragoffset: rule option to test IP frag offset
- ips\_option::gid: rule option specifying rule generator
- ips\_option::gtp\_info: rule option to check gtp info element
- ips option::gtp type: rule option to check gtp types
- ips\_option::gtp\_version: rule option to check gtp version
- ips\_option::http\_client\_body: rule option to set the detection cursor to the request body
- ips\_option::http\_cookie: rule option to set the detection cursor to the HTTP cookie
- ips\_option::http\_header: rule option to set the detection cursor to the normalized headers
- ips\_option::http\_method: rule option to set the detection cursor to the HTTP request method
- ips\_option::http\_raw\_cookie: rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized cookie
- ips\_option::http\_raw\_header: rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized headers
- ips\_option::http\_raw\_request: rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized request line
- ips\_option::http\_raw\_status: rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized status line
- ips\_option::http\_raw\_trailer: rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized trailers
- ips option::http raw uri: rule option to set the detection cursor to the unnormalized URI
- ips\_option::http\_stat\_code: rule option to set the detection cursor to the HTTP status code
- ips\_option::http\_stat\_msg: rule option to set the detection cursor to the HTTP status message
- ips\_option::http\_trailer: rule option to set the detection cursor to the normalized trailers
- ips\_option::http\_uri: rule option to set the detection cursor to the normalized URI buffer
- ips\_option::http\_version: rule option to set the detection cursor to the version buffer
- ips\_option::icmp\_id: rule option to check ICMP ID
- ips\_option::icmp\_seq: rule option to check ICMP sequence number
- ips\_option::icode: rule option to check ICMP code
- ips option::id: rule option to check the IP ID field
- ips option::ip proto: rule option to check the IP protocol number
- ips\_option::ipopts: rule option to check for IP options
- ips\_option::isdataat: rule option to check for the presence of payload data
- ips\_option::itype: rule option to check ICMP type
- ips\_option::md5: payload rule option for hash matching
- ips\_option::metadata: rule option for conveying arbitrary name, value data within the rule text
- ips\_option::modbus\_data: rule option to set cursor to modbus data
- ips\_option::modbus\_func: rule option to check modbus function code

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- ips\_option::modbus\_unit: rule option to check modbus unit ID
- ips\_option::msg: rule option summarizing rule purpose output with events
- ips\_option::pcre: rule option for matching payload data with pcre
- ips\_option::pkt\_data: rule option to set the detection cursor to the normalized packet data
- ips\_option::priority: rule option for prioritizing events
- ips\_option::raw\_data: rule option to set the detection cursor to the raw packet data
- ips option::reference: rule option to indicate relevant attack identification system
- ips\_option::regex: rule option for matching payload data with hyperscan regex
- ips\_option::rem: rule option to convey an arbitrary comment in the rule body
- ips\_option::replace: rule option to overwrite payload data; use with rewrite action
- ips option::rev: rule option to indicate current revision of signature
- ips\_option::rpc: rule option to check SUNRPC CALL parameters
- ips\_option::sd\_pattern: rule option for detecting sensitive data
- ips\_option::seq: rule option to check TCP sequence number
- ips\_option::session: rule option to check user data from TCP sessions
- ips\_option::sha256: payload rule option for hash matching
- ips\_option::sha512: payload rule option for hash matching
- ips option::sid: rule option to indicate signature number
- ips\_option::sip\_body: rule option to set the detection cursor to the request body
- ips\_option::sip\_header: rule option to set the detection cursor to the SIP header buffer
- ips\_option::sip\_method: detection option for sip stat code
- ips\_option::sip\_stat\_code: detection option for sip stat code
- ips\_option::so: rule option to call custom eval function
- ips\_option::soid: rule option to specify a shared object rule ID
- ips\_option::ssl\_state: detection option for ssl state
- ips\_option::ssl\_version: detection option for ssl version
- ips option::stream reassemble: detection option for stream reassembly control
- ips option::stream size: detection option for stream size checking
- ips\_option::tag: rule option to log additional packets
- ips\_option::tos: rule option to check type of service field
- ips\_option::ttl: rule option to check time to live field
- ips\_option::window: rule option to check TCP window field
- logger::alert\_csv: output event in csv format
- logger::alert\_fast: output event with brief text format
- logger::alert\_full: output event with full packet dump

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- logger::alert\_sfsocket: output event over socket
- logger::alert\_syslog: output event to syslog
- logger::log\_codecs: log protocols in packet by layer
- logger::log\_hext: output payload suitable for daq hext
- logger::log\_pcap: log packet in pcap format
- logger::unified2: output event and packet in unified2 format file
- piglet::pp\_codec: Codec piglet
- piglet::pp\_inspector: Inspector piglet
- piglet::pp\_ips\_action: Ips action piglet
- piglet::pp\_ips\_option: Ips option piglet
- piglet::pp\_logger: Logger piglet
- piglet::pp\_search\_engine: Search engine piglet
- piglet::pp\_so\_rule: SO rule piglet
- piglet::pp\_test: Test piglet
- search\_engine::ac\_banded: Aho-Corasick Banded (high memory, moderate performance)
- search\_engine::ac\_bnfa: Aho-Corasick Binary NFA (low memory, high performance) MPSE
- search\_engine::ac\_full: Aho-Corasick Full (high memory, best performance), implements search\_all()
- search\_engine::ac\_sparse: Aho-Corasick Sparse (high memory, moderate performance) MPSE
- search\_engine::ac\_sparse\_bands: Aho-Corasick Sparse-Banded (high memory, moderate performance) MPSE
- search\_engine::ac\_std: Aho-Corasick Full (high memory, best performance) MPSE
- search\_engine::hyperscan: intel hyperscan-based mpse with regex support