

Digital forensics

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1 Introduction

For our project we chose proposal number 2: Experiment or theoretical analysis of cyber crime using VPN, TOR network or proxys for anti-forensics

Anti-forensics methods are heavily used to avoid that digital investigators to identify user committing cyber-crime, e.g., economic fraud, piracy (sharing/downloading torrents), or child pornography. Digital forensics investigation is challenging when these techniques are used with regards to legal aspects and analysis techniques.

In this project we have looked at what kind of information it is possible to acquire from hosting your own TOR exit node / VPN server.

Most TOR exit nodes are hosted in a different country than your own, and some of these servers might cost a noticable ammount of money to keep up, due to the network traffic going through them. It is therefore interesting for us to know what kind of information the administrator of these servers can see and to what extent they can identify/fingerprint a user.

To summarize: we have looked at what kind of information is visible such as usernames, e-mail addresses, user-agents, websites visited and much more..

2 Survey of related material

When researching the topic of this article, we looked into several known and previously covered issues with the use of TOR and anonymity.

One particular technology that has recieved quite a bit attentio the last year is "Canvas fingerprinting", a technology meant to replace cookies in tracking a unique user across websites. It functions by instructing the browser of the user to draw a figure, using html5, the variations in browser, GPU, drivers and other settings and specifications. It is possible to identify a user to some degree, while the previously mentioned settings are not always unique for every user the technology has some shortcomings. [1]

Somewhat related to this is the standard way of tracking unique users, cookies. It exists many different types of cookies, but the the short summary of it is that its a very common way to track users across one or several websites. [2]

- browser canvassing?
- stuff

3 results

if we do any practical experiments, what did we learn. Its important to keep the key elements of digital forensics in mind:

- evidence integrity
- Chain of custody
- Forensically sound

outgoing smtp = cleartext tcpdump -vv -x -X -s 1500 -i eth1 'port 25'

http = cleartext.

4 conclusion

yabba-dabba-doo, this is what we found:

- stuff
- more stuff

A apendix; if applicable...

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