### **OSSEC Con 2020**



# Leadership

#### **Dan Cid (Founder)**

Sucuri / Godaddy

#### **Scott Shinn (Current Project Lead): OSSEC Foundation**

- Joined in 2006
- Project Leader in 2014
- . CTO Atomicorp

#### **Dan Parriot: OSSEC Foundation**

- Joined in 2006
- Reluctant Developer

#### **Domink Lisiak: Community**

- . Joined in 2016
- FreeBSD lead

#### **OSSEC**

"For me, OSSEC is a project that sits at the intersection of maturity + impact"



# **Project At a Glance**

- First released in 2005 by Daniel Cid
- Started in 2003
- Its short for Open Source Security
- Acquired by Third Brigade in 2008, and Trend Microsystems in 2009
- Millions of installs, on every continent
- Supports:











### What is OSSEC

**LIDS** – Log Intrusion Detection System

**FIM** – File Integrity Monitor

**Audit** – Compliance (PCI-DSS, GDPR, NIST-800-53, etc)

**Malware Detection** 

**Active Response & Self Healing** 

# **Supported Projects**



### **OSSEC Foundation**

- 503c Non-Profit managing the OSSEC project
- Conference
- Support for security researchers, developers, and organizations
- Open Source Software certification, Approved Product Lists, code audit (this deserves it's own slide!)
- Support open source and commercial with domain experts
- Coordinate with other 503c, Sponsors and Grant programs

#### **OSSEC Foundation Plans in 2020-2021**

- Shamelessly accept your tax deductible donations!
- Continue our work with grant programs sponsoring information security researchers (TAP, and others)
- Dedicated community developer(s) and internships
- Expand our educational initiative with UVA and other universities
- Support other open source security projects
- Expand our commercial/community/government partnerships
- More training sessions



### **What's New in OSSEC**

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- Current release 3.6.0
- Hundreds of community developers (no commit is too small!)
- Post-Graduate researchers joining the community
- IBM Power Z-Series Redhat PPC and AIX
- ARM CPU support for Centos/Redhat, and Ubuntu
- Security Audit by Daniel McCarney
- Multi-line log analysis update (multiline\_indented) by Boris Lukashev
- PCRE2 IDS engine updates (@jubois) completed

### What's New in OSSEC

- Dept of Defense Enterprise DevSecOps (DSOP)
- Azure Marketplace
- Google Marketplace
- IBM / Redhat Container marketplace

### **OSSEC New Architectures: ARM64**

- Yui Naruse (@nurse) of Treasure Data Inc. (www.treasuredata.com)
- AWS Graviton Processor (A1, etc)
- Builds available for Redhat/Centos 8 and Ubuntu 18
- Build automation using the aarch64 module for KVM
- Planning phase for Android on ELO touch point of sale systems

### **OSSEC New Architectures: IBM i-Series**

- Virtual environments for builds, and testing
- Power 8 and Power 9 architectures
- AIX
- Redhat 7 and 8 PowerPC
- Ubuntu 16 and 18
- IBM IOS5

But... we cannot automate pipelines....

### **OSSEC on Github**

#### Source:

https://github.com/ossec/ossec-hids/

#### **Documentation:**

https://github.com/ossec/ossec-docs/

# **New Repos and Distros**

- Amazon / Amazon LTS
- CentOS / RHEL / Clones 6/7/8
- Debian 8/9/10
- Kali
- Mint
- Ubuntu 14/16/18
- Windows
- Architectures: x86\_64, aarch64, ppc

# **Docker Repos**

https://hub.docker.com/r/atomicorp/ossec-docker/

Docker pull atomicorp/ossec-docker

docker run -d -p 1514:1514/udp -p 1515:1515/tcp -v ossec-data:/var/ossec/data --name ossec-server atomicorp/ossec-docker

## **OSSEC Con 2020: Day 2**

Provided by Hyperqube.io, a virtual OSSEC environment accessible via web browser.

Will continue to be available until July 8

- Session 1: New to OSSEC, how to build/compile ossec servers, agents, and windows.
- Session 2: Installation automation on windows/linux and clouds
- Session 3: Centralized management, Compliance testing, Active Response, and Realtime FIM

#### **OSSEC 2020**

- Open to individuals and organizations
- We're on Slack! ossec.slack.com
- Not just for coders! Tech writer? Student? Researcher?

# **Questions?**

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### **OSSEC Con 2020 Workshop**



#### **Download links**

git clone https://github.com/Atomicorp/training

Contains the all the examples used here for this workshop:

/root/src/training/workshop2020/

Under /root/src/training/ on the Hyperqube virtual machines

# **OSSEC 2020 Workshops**

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- Installation automation with Active Directory
- Advanced Topics: Troubleshooting,
   Rootcheck, AR, and more

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# **OSSEC Workshop: Brought by Hyperqube.io**

Hyperqube is a network design studio

- Build entire networks
- Fully interactive systems
- Cloned for each user
- Only requires a web browser (Chrome or Firefox!)

# **OSSEC Workshop 1: Installation**

- Server builds, and common issue troubleshooting
- Agent builds, and saving settings for binary installation
- Windows builds and getting around outside of install.sh

## **OSSEC Workshop 1: Build a Server**

- Server builds, and common issue troubleshooting
- You will need:
  - Centos 7
  - Development Tools
  - Basic linux navigation

Open Hyperqube Environment:

**OSSEC: Installation** 

Login: hyperqube / Hyperqube1!

# **OSSEC Workshop 1: Building the Server**

- Dependencies (Redhat/Centos)
  - pcre2-devel
  - libevent-devel
  - openssl-devel
- install.sh, and what it does/does not do
   ./install.sh
   /var/ossec/bin/ossec-control start

## **OSSEC Workshop 1: Server Components**

- ossec-analysisd: IDS analysis (rules/decoders)
- ossec-remoted : Listener for agent traffic
- ossec-syscheckd : FIM daemon
- ossec-logcollectord : Log collector daemon
- ossec-execd : Active Response daemon
- ossec-monitord: Logrotation, cleanup, and reporting daemon
- ossec-maild : Mail User Agent daemon
- ossec-dbd : Database Connector daemon
- ossec-authd: Agent registration daemon

## **OSSEC Workshop 1: Server Components**

Troubleshooting:

Startup logs here: /var/ossec/log/ossec.log

Typos? Invalid configs? run this: /var/ossec/bin/ossec-analysisd -t

# **OSSEC Workshop 1: Building the windows agent**

- Dependencies: Docker
- Windows binaries are built from linux

cd /root/src

docker run -it -v /root/src:/root/src ossec-windows-builder /bin/bash cd /root/src/ossec-hids-3.6.0/src/

make clean

make TARGET=winagent external PCRE2\_SYSTEM=no make TARGET=winagent PCRE2\_SYSTEM=no

output: win32/ossec-agent.exe

# **OSSEC Workshop 1: Advanced Settings**

- We're still in src/!
- No install.sh here!

make help

make TARGET=server

make clean

make TARGET=server DATABASE=mysql MAXAGENTS=8192

# **OSSEC Workshop 1: Advanced Settings**

Putting this together with install.sh

cd src/ && make clean

cd..

DATABASE=mysql MAXAGENTS=8192 ./install.sh

# **OSSEC Workshop 1: Repeatable Agent Builds**

- Dependencies (Redhat/Centos)
- install.sh tips and tricks for repeatable builds

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cd src/ && make clean
cp etc/preloaded-vars.conf.example etc/preloaded-vars.conf
edit etc/preloaded-vars.conf and set:
    USER_BINARYINSTALL="y"
cd src/ && make TARGET=agent
copy this directory to target
./install.sh
```

# **OSSEC Workshop 1: Breaking it!**

Common Build Problems

rpm -e pcre2-devel cd /root/src/ossec-hids-3.6.0/src make clean make TARGET=server

fatal error: pcre2.h: No such file or directory

# **OSSEC Workshop 1: Breaking it!**

Finding the file with yum (note: we are offline!)

yum provides \*/pcre2.h

normally: yum install pcre2-devel

but we're offline!

rpm -Uvh /root/src/dependencies/pcre2-devel\*rpm

make TARGET=server

# **OSSEC Workshop 1: Questions**

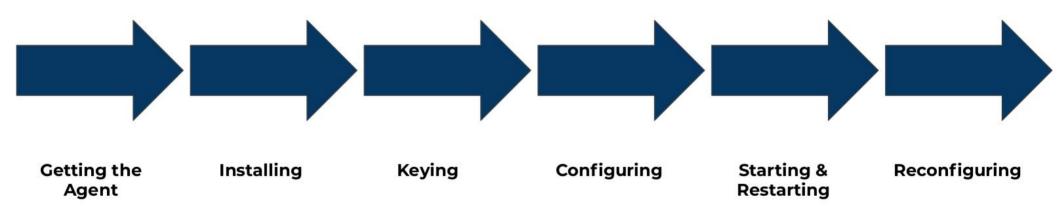
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- Windows using Active Directory, Powershell, and reboots
- You will need:
  - Active Directory server (win2016)
  - Windows 10 agent
  - Powershell
  - OSSEC Server
  - Webserver

Open Hyperqube environment:

OSSEC 1

#### **Challenges in Automating OSSEC Deployment**



#### **Automating OSSEC Deployment**

#### The manual way you are used to:

Log into server
run manage\_agents on the server,
copy key
Log into agent
run manage\_agent on the agent
paste key
Repeat until done



Difficult at Scale and in Dynamic Environments

Agent Waet TCP 443 Yum TCP 443 Agent-auth TCP 1515 Agentd UDP 1514

**OSSEC Deployment** 

Wget Installer (TCP 443)

Returns installer and configures repo

Yum installs agent software (TCP 443)

Request OSSEC Key (TCP 1515)

Returns unique key for agent (TCP 1515)

Agent starts and connects to hub (UDP 1514)

Hub

Installers Directory install.sh install.ps1

Agent Software Repo TCP 443

> Authd Service TCP 1515

> > Remoted UDP 1514

- This installs when the Windows 10 system reboots
- Active Directory GPO configures the system to
  - Copy the powershell installer to the system from share
  - Run the installer as SYSTEM
  - Pass variables to the powershell script for the server IP
- Gotchas:
  - Package signing can break installs over shares
  - Firewalls can break registration
  - Permissions!

- Example uses powershell, this is probably overkill
- This can be used for
  - new installs
  - upgrades
  - re-keying

### **OSSEC Workshop 2: Using a GPO Workflow**

- Installs and configures the agent on a host reboot
- Runs 1 time
- copies installer.ps1 from C:\networkShared to the system
- Agent runs installer.ps1 locally as SYSTEM user\*\*
- Downloads software to C:\ossec-agent-latest.exe
- Installs application
- Registers the agent with the hub server
- Configures ossec.conf and starts the agent on the host

\*\*you can change this to a domain admin, etc

Server manager select Tools
Group Policy Management
Select domain: atomicorp.local

Right click on the domain, create GPO and Link it here name this: install1

Right click on install1 and select Edit

```
Select Computer Configuration
Preferences
Windows Settings
Files

Select New->Files
set the Action to Create
set path to source file: \\Ad-server\sysvol\atomicorp.local\installer.ps1
set path to destination on host: C:\installer.ps1
click OK
```

Select Computer Configuration

**Preferences** 

**Control Panel Settings** 

Scheduled Tasks

Right click and select New->Immediate Scheduled Task (At

least windows 7)

Enter name: install-agent

Enter description: OSSEC agent

Select when running task use the following user account:

**SYSTEM** 

#### OSSEC Workshop 2: Using a GPO Step 2 cont.

Select run whether user is logged on or not

Select Run with highest privileges

Select configure for Windows 7, windows server 2008R2

Select action tab, and click New

Enter in program/Script: powershell.exe

Enter in Add arguments:

-executionpolicy bypass -file C:\installer.ps1 -ossec\_exe http://192.168.1.102/ossec-agent-latest.exe -server\_ip 192.168.1.102

Click OK, select the Common tab, and check Apply once and do not reapply. Click OK

Log in to the OSSEC server, and run: tail -f /var/log/httpd/\*

Log in to the Windows 10 system, and reboot.

You should see the windows 10 system request the ossec package, and in a few minutes complete the installation

## **OSSEC Workshop 2: Troubleshooting**

Can the new agent read the share drive? check the win10 system if it copied C:\install1.ps1

Did the GPO run? from the win10 system, run: gpresult /r

Did the agent register?

from the ossec server, run /var/ossec/bin/agent\_control -l

## **OSSEC Workshop 2: Reset Windows 10**

(Optional) To repeat the previous scenario

Log in to windows 10 as: Hyperqube / Hyperqube1! Add / Remove Programs, Remove ossec hids 3.6.0 (as administrator) Remove C:\installer.ps1 (as administrator) Remove C:\ossec-agent.exe

Change your GPO to run again on boot

# **OSSEC Workshop 2: Questions**

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#### The Problem:

Dynamic scaling on Amazon (Google, Azure, etc)
OSSEC agent keys have to be unique

#### Solution:

Cloud-init

Launched in 2008: https://cloud-init.io

Supports more than 20 public cloud providers

Openstack, LXD, KVM, etc

Adds an "init" type API to the operating system for:

first-boot: First time the system has ever booted

per-boot: Every time the system boots

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Available for: Ubuntu, Debian, Redhat, Centos, \*BSD, and more

Our action is simple, just rekey the agent:

/var/ossec/bin/agent\_auth -m 10.10.10.10

But we need to do this immediately without requiring a human or external devops action.

What about rc.local?

It would work, however it rc.local happens after the regular ossec-agent daemon starts

It could result in creating even more keys, given that the rc.local is set at the master instance level.

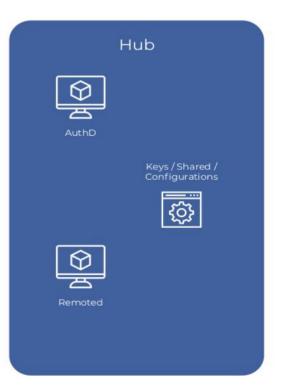
We need something smarter



Sends new key request for each new instance

Returns new key

Key 110011010111001



It's this easy:

cat /var/lib/cloud/scripts/per-instance/ossec-agent.sh

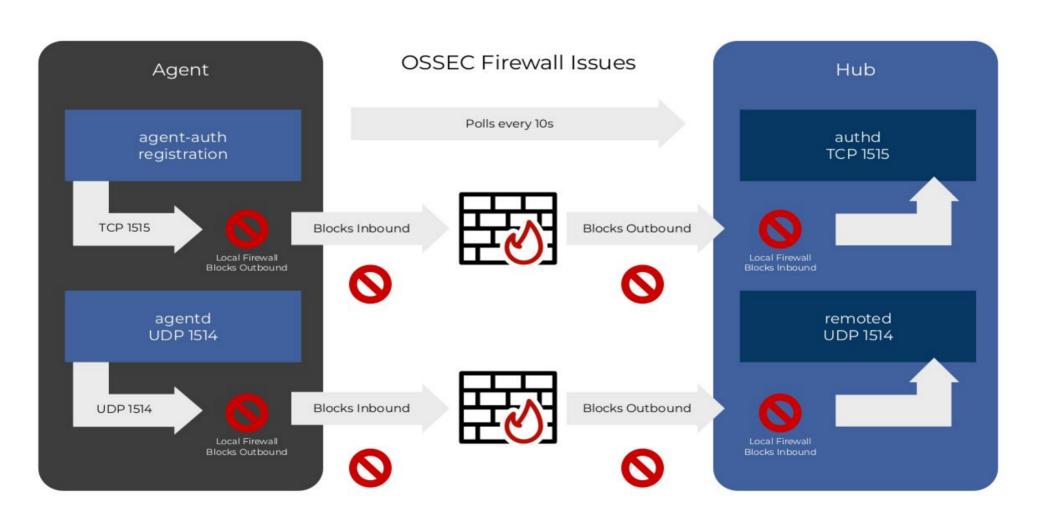
#!/bin/sh

/var/ossec/bin/agent-auth -m 10.10.10.10

#### **OSSEC Workshop 3: Advanced Topics**

- Network Troubleshooting
- Central Management with shared/
- Rootcheck: Malware detection, Compliance Testing,
   Application discovery
- Malware / FIM whitelisting (filename)

# **OSSEC Workshop 3: Network Troubleshooting**



## **OSSEC Workshop 3: Network troubleshooting**

Scenario 1, agent\_control reports "Never Connected"

This indicates the TCP Port 1515 (authd) registration completed successfully, but the agent communication is blocked

Check the agent to ensure the server ip is correct and the agent is started

Use a sniffer on the Server to watch for UDP 1514 traffic from the host: tshark -i eth0 port 1514

No traffic means a firewall is blocking UDP 1514 at some point

## **OSSEC Workshop 3: Network troubleshooting**

Scenario 2, agent\_control reports "Disconnected"

This indicates the UDP Port 1514 had worked in the past, but the agent communication is blocked

Run: /var/ossec/bin/agent\_control -i <ID> to see when the agent last checked in successfully

Is the agent running?

Is the Server IP correct?

Is a firewall blocking UDP 1514?

Is its key good?

## **OSSEC Workshop 3: Network troubleshooting**

agent\_control cheatsheet

"Never Connected" - This means agent registered (TCP 1515) but has never connected over remoted (UDP 1514)

"Disconnected" - Agent registered (TCP 1515) and had previously connected over remoted (UDP 1514) but is no longer online "Active" - Everything is fine!

"Pending" - a transitional state, the agent is in the process of connecting. This is only an issue if it takes a long period of time

- Block source addresses (srcip)
- Disable Accounts (username)
- Malware / FIM whitelisting (filename)
- Self-healing (pin to a rule)
- Reporting (JIRA, slack, etc)
- PaaS API (cloudflare, aws, etc)
- IFTTT
- Amazon Echo / Google Home
- etc!

- ossec-execd runs active response (ossec-agent on windows)
  - Commands live in: /var/ossec/active-response/bin/
  - This daemon forks! Beware! Job control is up to you!
  - Context:
    - srcip
    - username
    - filename
    - or no context at all

- Can run on:
  - where the attack happened
  - a specific system
  - every system
- Configured from the server, but the action has to be on the agent (except... repeated\_offenders...)
- ARs can be in any language (Powershell, bash, python, go, etc)
- Timed, Repeat offenders, or no timer
- Active response can be configured in TWO places
  - /var/ossec/etc/ossec.conf or in a rule

## **OSSEC Workshop: Active Response Values**

- Action (add or delete)
- Username (ex: testguy)
- IP address (ex: 1.2.3.4)
- Alert ID (ex: 1552939106.13039)
- Rule ID (ex: 553)
- Agent (ex: (testagent1.atomicorp.com))
- Location (ex: 10.10.10.10->syscheck)
- Filename (ex: /mnt/test1)

#### In a ossec.conf

- In a rule:
  - <action> to declare the name of the script
  - <status> to pass the add or delete value

- List: /var/ossec/bin/agent\_control -L
   Response name: test-all0, command: test-all.sh
   Note: 0 indicates the timer, if set. Not set in this example
- Run manually (I use this for testing) Example:

/var/ossec/bin/agent\_control -b 1.2.3.4 -f test-all0 -u 000

Debugging Tip: syscheck wont start generating events until rootcheck finishes its job. Rootcheck can take a while, so turn it off for development

Debugging Tip: Not clear if syscheck is running? Tail ossec.log and look for "Ending syscheck scan". After this, perform your tests

- Simulation and Testing configuration
- Syscheck can take a long time to run, for this workshop we will set the following to speed things up:
  - <directories realtime="yes" check\_all="yes" report\_changes="yes">/mnt</directories>
  - disable rootcheck
  - internal\_options.conf
    - syscheck.sleep=1
    - syscheck.sleep\_after=150

```
cd /root/src/workshop2020/lab03/active-response /var/ossec/bin/ossec-control stop cp ossec.conf /var/ossec/etc/ cp internal_options.conf /var/ossec/etc/ cp syscheck-api.sh /var/ossec/active-response/bin/ /var/ossec/bin/ossec-control start
```

- perform actions against FIM events
- active response configuration key values:
  - <expect>filename</expect>
  - <rules\_group>syscheck</rules\_group>

This example only logs the script being run. Restart OSSEC and Create a test file:

date >> /mnt/testfile1

Update /mnt/testfile1: date >> /mnt/testfile1

Generates 552 event, and logs: Tue Mar 10 09:04:59 EDT 2019 /var/ossec/active-response/bin/syscheck\_all.sh add - -1553000699.9105 552 field6(syscheck) Filename: (/mnt/hosts) field8() field9() field10(add0)

- Dynamic fields are declared in the decoder
- Output is formatted in /var/ossec/logs/alerts/alerts.json

Example input from a Shimadzu mobile radiographic imager: "1/1/2014","01:26:48","78-XR-14-000045","Rad","CHEST AP X-WISE","CHEST","L\F","AP","deleom","","","","","","","0.031","","319.66767857507","141.926534243403","-1","-10000"," 90","160","6","0.96","","18000959"

```
cd /root/src/training/workshop2020/lab03/dynamic-decoders/
cp *conf /var/ossec/etc/
cp decoder.xml /var/ossec/etc/
/var/ossec/bin/ossec-control restart
```

<order>shimadzu.exam.protocol,shimadzu.exam.bodypart,shimadzu.exam.operator,shimadzu.
exam.dap,shimadzu.exam.absorbeddose,shimadzu.exam.ei,shimadzu.exam.eit,shimadzu.exam
.di,shimadzu.exam.kv,shimadzu.exam.ma,shimadzu.exam.ms,shimadzu.exam.mas,shimadzu.e
xam.sid,shimadzu.exam.sensorsn</order>
</decoder>

```
Lesson 01:
   append 99-shimadzu-exam-decoder.xml to
/var/ossec/etc/decoder.xml
add to ossec.conf:
   <rule_dir pattern=".xml$">etc/rules.d</rule_dir>
copy 99_custom_shimadzu_rules.xml to /var/ossec/etc/rules.d/
check analysisd.decoder_order_size= value in internal_options.conf
```

Paste the contents of event.txt into /var/ossec/bin/ossec-logte st:

```
**Phase 1: Completed pre-decoding.
full event: '"1/1/2014","01:26:48","78-XR-14-000045","Rad","CHEST AP

X-WISE","CHEST","L\F","AP","deleom","","","","","0.031","","319.66767857507","141.926534
243403","-1","-10000","90","160","6","0.96","","18000959"'
hostname: 'c7-64-dev-ossec-community'
program_name: '(null)'
log: '"1/1/2014","01:26:48","78-XR-14-000045","Rad","CHEST AP

X-WISE","CHEST","L\F","AP","deleom","","","","","","","319.66767857507","141.926534
243403","-1","-10000","90","160","6","0.96","","18000959"'
```

```
**Phase 2: Completed decoding.
   decoder: 'shimadzu-exam-log1'
   shimadzu.exam.protocol: 'Rad'
   shimadzu.exam.bodypart: 'CHEST AP
                                        X-WISF'
   shimadzu.exam.operator: 'deleom'
   shimadzu.exam.dap: '""'
   shimadzu.exam.absorbeddose: '0.031'
   shimadzu.exam.ei: '141.926534243403'
   shimadzu.exam.eit: '-1'
   shimadzu.exam.di: '-10000'
   shimadzu.exam.kv: '90'
   shimadzu.exam.ma: '160'
   shimadzu.exam.ms: '6'
   shimadzu.exam.mas: '0.96'
   shimadzu.exam.sid: """
   shimadzu.exam.sensorsn: "18000959"
```

```
**Phase 3: Completed filtering (rules).
```

Rule id: '91000'

Level: '7'

Description: 'Shimadzu Exam Log'

\*\*Alert to be generated.

#### **OSSEC Workshop: Rootcheck Lab**

restore ossec.conf to re-enable rootcheck

cp /var/ossec/etc/ossec.conf.org /var/ossec/etc/ossec.conf
/var/ossec/bin/ossec-control restart

#### **OSSEC Workshop: Rootcheck**

What to know:

rootcheck scans the filesystem.

No really. Rootcheck. Scans. The. Filesystem.

Syscheck (FIM) will not report events until rootcheck has finished starting

Centrally managed from /var/ossec/etc/shared/

#### **OSSEC Workshop: Rootcheck Capabilities**

#### Capabilities

- Can look at the content of a file/registry
- Tests for processes
- Examine directories

Compliance: cis\_rhel7\_linux\_rcl.txt

Malware: rootkit\_files.txt, rootkit\_trojans.txt

Application Inventory: win\_applications\_rcl.txxt

#### **OSSEC Workshop: Rootcheck Compliance**

edit /var/ossec/etc/shared/cis\_rhel7\_linux\_rcl.txt

File example, detect partitions, 1.1.1

This reads /etc/fstab, and looks for a string f:/etc/fstab <- FOR this file !r:/tmp <- regular expression for this value.

This test fails (!) if /tmp is not detected in /etc/fstab

#### **OSSEC Workshop: Rootcheck Compliance**

Process lookup example:

Goto 3.2, remove X Windows f:/usr/lib/systemd/system/default.target r:Graphical (looking for the string)

OR

p:gdm-x-session; <- this is looking for the running process

Both conditions will flag this event

#### **OSSEC Workshop: Rootcheck Compliance**

Gotchas and Advanced Usage

edit /var/ossec/etc/shared/system\_audit\_rcl.txt

\$web\_dirs=/var/www,/var/htdocs

d:\$web\_dirs -> ^.ssh

the above will crawl every directory tree declared in web\_dirs looking for the directory ".ssh". This IOC detection can be IO intensive depending on the size or type of directory. Realtime FIM is an alternative

#### **OSSEC Workshop: Rootcheck Malware detction**

```
Simple:
```

```
d:$web_dirs -> ^.htaccess -> r:RewriteCond \S+HTTP_REFERERS
\S+google;
```

rootkit\_trojans, this is performing a binary search ls !bash|^/bin/sh

Registries, win\_malware\_rcl.txt r:HKEY\_CURRENT\_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\ Run -> userinit -> r:ntos.exe

#### **OSSEC Workshop: Rootcheck Application Inventory**

```
win_applications_rcl.txt
```

[Remote Access - gotomypc]

f:\Program Files\Citrix\GoToMyPC\g2comm.exe

r:HKLM\software\microsoft\windows\currentversion\run ->

gotomypc;

p:r:g2svc.exe

# OSSEC Workshop: Rootcheck a new compliance test

Open one of the CIS benchmark PDF's from your desktop: Ubuntu

Save yourself some time, copy the debian benchmark to: cis\_ubuntu18\_linux\_L1\_rcl.txt

## **OSSEC Workshop: Questions?**