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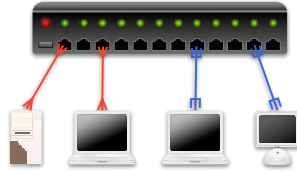
8. Network Intrusion Detection

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Slides are available as PDF, [kramse@Github](https://github.com/kramse)
8-Network-Intrusion-Detection.tex in the repo security-courses

Plan for today



Subjects

- Intrusion Detection Systems
- NIDS vs HIDS
- Suricata Zeek
- Network Security Data Visualization
- Kibana Dashboards

Exercises

- Run Zeek and Suricata on small pcaps

Reading Summary



ANSM chapter 7,8,9,10 - 140 pages

DETECTION MECHANISMS

Generally, detection is a function of software that parses through collected data in order to generate alert data. This software is referred to as a detection mechanism.

Chapter 7 Detection Mechanisms, Indicators of Compromise, and Signatures

Chapter 8 Reputation-Based Detection

Chapter 9 Signature-Based Detection with Snort and Suricata

Chapter 10 The Bro Platform // Now Zeek

Zeek in the default configuration activates 10.000s of script lines out-of-the-box.
Gives great output with little effort and complements Suricata/NIDS

Intrusion Detection



- networkbased intrusion detection systems (NIDS)
- item host based intrusion detection systems (HIDS)

Indicators of Compromise and Signatures



An IOC is any piece of information that can be used to objectively describe a network intrusion, expressed in a platform-independent manner. This could include a simple indicator such as the IP address of a command and control (C2) server or a complex set of behaviors that indicate that a mail server is being used as a malicious SMTP relay.

When an IOC is taken and used in a platform-specific language or format, such as a Snort Rule or a Bro-formatted file, it becomes part of a signature. A signature can contain one or more IOCs.

Source: Applied Network Security Monitoring Collection, Detection, and Analysis, 2014 Chris Sanders

Reading Summary, False Positives



- True Positive (TP). An alert that has correctly identified a specific activity. If a signature was designed to detect a certain type of malware, and an alert is generated when that malware is launched on a system, this would be a true positive, which is what we strive for with every deployed signature. Indicators of Compromise and Signatures
- False Positive (FP). An alert has incorrectly identified a specific activity. If a signature was designed to detect a specific type of malware, and an alert is generated for an instance in which that malware was not present, this would be a false positive.
- True Negative (TN). An alert has correctly not been generated when a specific activity has not occurred. If a signature was designed to detect a certain type of malware, and no alert is generated without that malware being launched, then this is a true negative, which is also desirable. This is difficult, if not impossible, to quantify in terms of NSM detection.
- False Negative (FN). An alert has incorrectly not been generated when a specific activity has occurred.

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The Zeek Network Security Monitor



The Zeek Network Security Monitor

Why Choose Zeek? Zeek is a powerful network analysis framework that is much different from the typical IDS you may know.

Adaptable

Zeek's domain-specific scripting language enables site-specific monitoring policies.

Efficient

Zeek targets high-performance networks and is used operationally at a variety of large sites.

Flexible

Zeek is not restricted to any particular detection approach and does not rely on traditional signatures.

Forensics

Zeek comprehensively logs what it sees and provides a high-level archive of a network's activity.

In-depth Analysis

Zeek comes with analyzers for many protocols, enabling high-level semantic analysis at the application layer.

Highly Stateful

Zeek keeps extensive application-layer state about the network it monitors.

Open Interfaces

Zeek interfaces with other applications for real-time exchange of information.

Open Source

Zeek comes with a BSD license, allowing for free use with virtually no restrictions.

The Zeek Network Security Monitor is not a single tool, more of a powerful network analysis framework

Zeek is the tool formerly known as Bro, changed name in 2018. <https://www.zeek.org/>

Zeek IDS is



The Bro Network Security Monitor

Bro is a powerful network analysis framework that is much different from the typical IDS you may know.

While focusing on network security monitoring, Zeek provides a comprehensive platform for more general network traffic analysis as well. Well grounded in more than 15 years of research, Zeek has successfully bridged the traditional gap between academia and operations since its inception.

<https://www.Zeek.org/>

Suricata IDS/IPS/NSM



Suricata is a high performance Network IDS, IPS and Network Security Monitoring engine.

<http://suricata-ids.org/> <http://openinfosecfoundation.org>

We will now move to the workshop materials:

Suricata, Zeek og DNS Capture

<https://github.com/kramse/security-courses/tree/master/courses/networking/suricatazeek-workshop>

For Next Time



Think about the subjects from this time, write down questions

Check the plan for chapters to read in the books

Most days have about 100 pages or less, but one day has 4 chapters to read!

Visit web sites and download papers if needed

Retry the exercises to get more confident using the tools