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AGENDA

Team Member Introductions

Scenario

Suggestion

Demo's

Q&A

Michael Roberts

- Cybersecurity Professional/Air Force Veteran.
- In senior year pursuing Bachelors in Computer Science. Committed to continuous learning.
- Skilled in Automation using tools such as Bash, Powershell, Python.
- Experience supervising others in aircraft troubleshooting of F-16's



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Christen Reinhart

Ready to embark on a mission-driven career in cybersecurity fueled by a profound commitment to safeguarding the integrity, security, and efficiency of vital IT systems. With over a decade of experience, I've honed a versatile skill set and gained significant expertise spanning system administration, network management, satellite communications, and cybersecurity.

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Thierry Tran

- US Army Veteran
- Pursuing B.S. in Computer Science at SNHU, proficient in Python, Java, C++, MQL and SQL.
- Inspired by a friend's success in Cybersecurity, enrolled in Code Fellow to specialize in the field
- Hobbies include soccer, watching movies, and traveling

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Edwin Pretel

- Army veteran, with a lifelong passion for technology, transitioned from industrial painting to excelling in tech troubleshooting at call centers during COVID.
- Motivated by an IT specialist advice, pursued further education in IT, now focusing on certification.
- Combines disciplined military work ethic with hands-on tech problem-solving skills, aiming for a career in IT.

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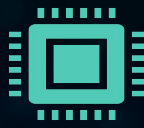


SCENARIO



Client Overview:

- Guardian Technologies, a cybersecurity leader, focuses on fortifying digital defenses and ensuring organizational resilience against cyber threats.
- Our mission is to empower businesses with innovative solutions, maintaining the highest cybersecurity standards.



Key Focus:

Guardian Technologies emphasizes proactive security measures, innovation, and maintaining the highest cybersecurity standards to safeguard digital assets.



Project Objectives:

- Threat Model: Create a comprehensive DFD for AWS threat identification and prioritized defense.
- Enhanced Detection: Deploy tools like Splunk and Zeek for increased visibility in AWS.
- IDS Rules: Fine-tune IDS rules to detect suspicious network traffic effectively.
- Detective Controls: Implement controls on the web server for monitoring and preventing unauthorized access.



Specific Goals:

- Develop a comprehensive threat model DFD and perform a STRIDE analysis for AWS vulnerabilities.
- Deploy additional threat detection tools to enhance visibility across the environment.
- Configure IDS rules and implement detective controls to improve AWS infrastructure defense.
- Actively observe and document adversarial actions, collecting evidence to understand adversary tactics.
- Develop scripted automation for proactive detection and alerts on adversarial activity.

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DEMO - Splunk



Mon-Fri Traffic on AWS

This is a collection of events and traffic generated by all instances on AWS compiled into readable graphs.

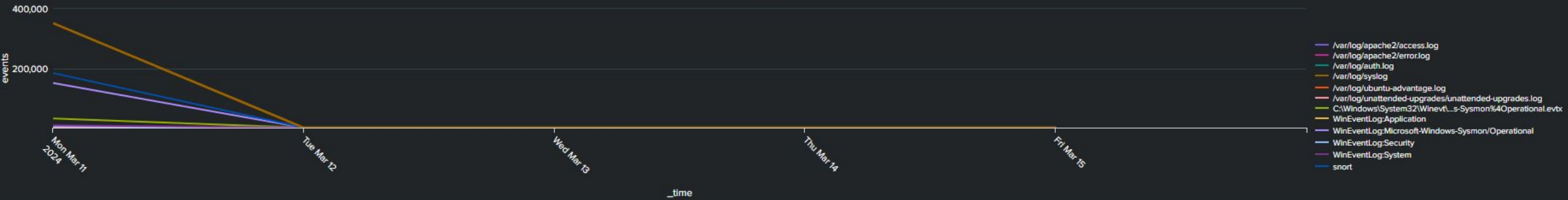
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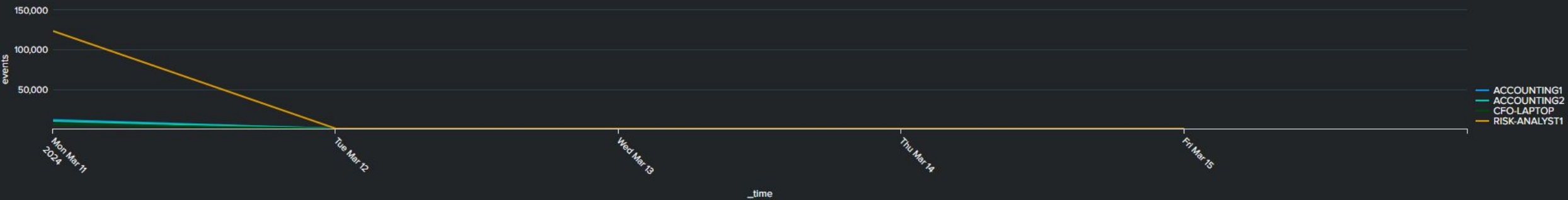
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Sysmon Activity from Different Hosts

Different Hosts

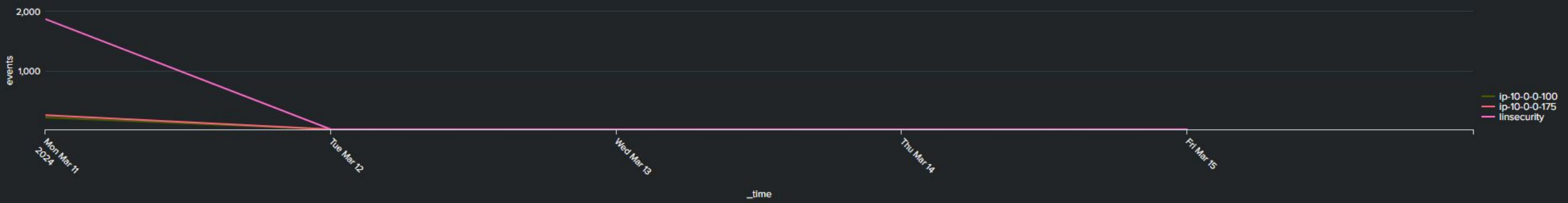


/var/log/auth.log activity

Linux Login Activity: Hosts per event

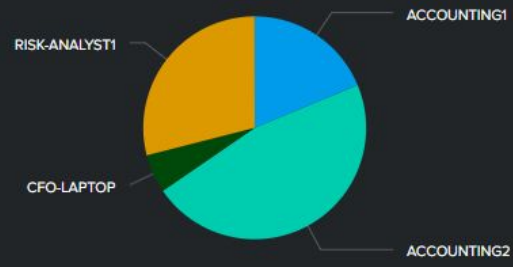
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Windows Security Event Code: 4624

Successful Logins to Windows Machines/Host



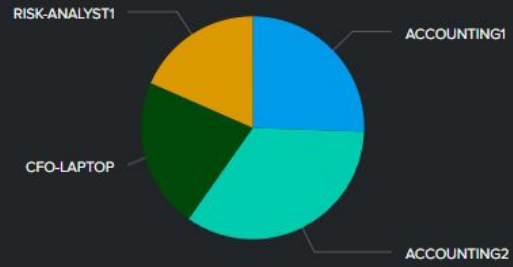
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Failed Logins to Windows Machines/Host



Windows Security Event Code: 4672

Attempted Login to Administrator Equivalent User Account



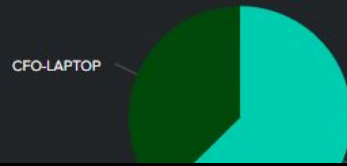
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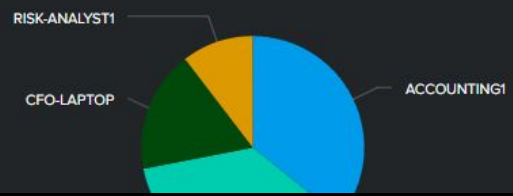
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DNS query was performed on machine



Windows System Events

Windows Machines System Event Log Activity/Host. click to refine search.



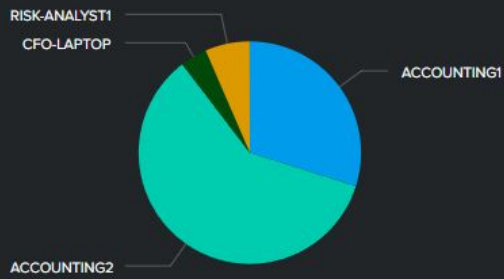
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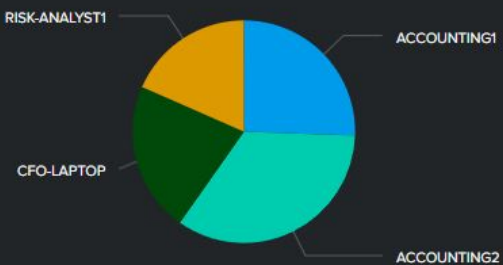
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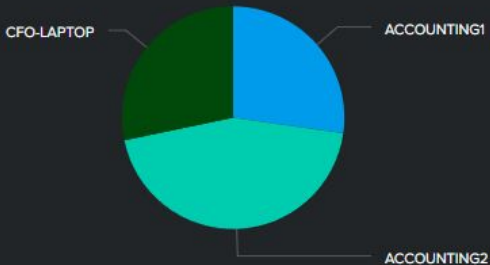
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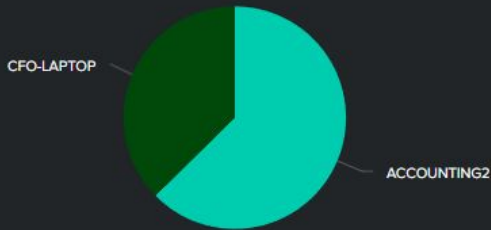
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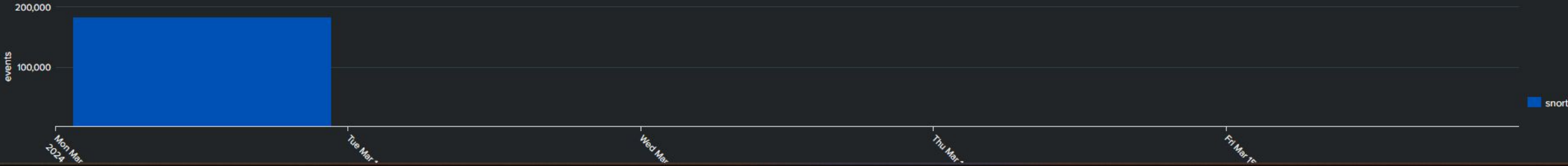
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Snort Traffic

Capturing all traffic from every instance. click to refine search for strings



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DEMO - GuardDuty



DEMO - Lambda



DEMO - Incident Response Report



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Cyber Threat Attack Timeline

Attack Type

RDP Brute Force

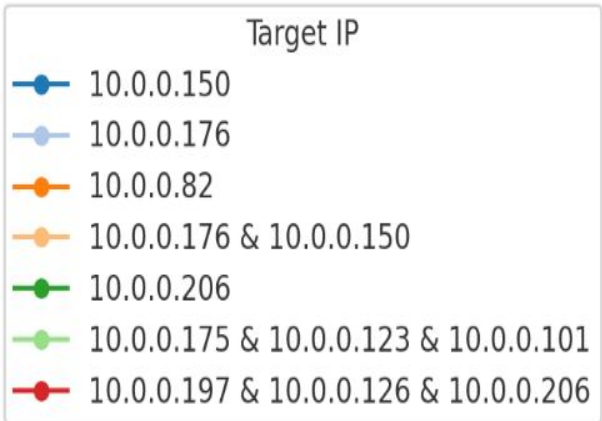
WinRM Brute Force

Port Scan

Malicious File

Port Probe

SSH Brute Force



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SOLUTIONS



Threat Model Development

Collaborate on constructing a comprehensive DFD to identify attack vectors and prioritize defensive measures.



Enhanced Threat Detection

Deploy additional tools (Splunk and Zeek) to boost visibility across the AWS environment.



Configuration of IDS Rules

Fine-tune IDS rules for an improved defensive posture, with a focus on detecting suspicious network traffic.



Implementation of Detective Controls

Implement controls on the web server hosting SimCorp's application to monitor and prevent unauthorized access.



Adversarial Activity Observation

Actively observe adversarial actions, collecting evidence of scanning, TTPs, and IOCs for informed defensive strategies.



Thank You!

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Colleagues in cohort



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QUESTIONS ?