

MFA fatigue attacks?

An MFA fatigue attack occurs when a threat actor runs a script that attempts to log in repeatedly with stolen credentials, resulting in an endless stream of MFA push requests sent to the account holder's mobile device.

The target people are so overwhelmed that they <u>accidentally click the "Approve" button</u> or <u>simply accept the MFA request</u> to end the flood of notifications sent to their phone.

Hackers use MFA fatigue to bypass multi-factor authentication - IT World Canada

Case 1: MFA Denials Timeline

Count the number of times MFA requests were denied within a specified time interval (e.g., every one hour) and evaluate the risk based on the number of failed attempts.

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// case 1 : MFA Denials Timeline
AADSignInEventsBeta
 where Timestamp > ago(1d)
 where ClientAppUsed == "Browser"
 where AuthenticationRequirement == "multiFactorAuthentication"
 where ErrorCode == 50074
 extend Detail = strcat(Country, "\forall \text{\text{Y}}", IPAddress, "\forall \text{\text{\text{Y}}", Application, "\forall \text{\text{\text{Y}}",}
UserAgent)
 summarize MFA Deny Detail = make list if(Detail, ErrorCode == 50074) by
AccountUpn, bin(Timestamp, 1h)
 extend MFA Deny = array length(MFA Deny Detail)
 extend MFA Risk = case(MFA Deny >= 9, "High",
                            MFA Deny >= 4, "Medium",
                            "Low")
  project Timestamp, AccountUpn, MFA Deny, MFA Risk, MFA Deny Detail
 order by Timestamp desc
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AADSTS50074 UserStrongAuthClientAuthNRequiredInterrupt - Strong authentication is required and the user did not pass the MFA challenge.

<u>Defend your users from MFA fatigue attacks - Microsoft Community Hub</u>
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