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Multiple stealth network reconnaissance activities detected within a 1-minute window (2025-03-20 07:47).

Single internal source IP (192.168.100.95) targeting destination IP 192.168.100.99 using 5 distinct TCP scan types and 1 UDP scan.

No direct exploit payloads observed (0 TCP/UDP/ICMP/ARP attack packets logged).

Risk Assessment

Critical Vulnerabilities

High-risk reconnaissance patterns: Aggressive port scanning indicates active network mapping, likely pre-attack intelligence gathering.

Stealth scan techniques: XMAS, NULL, and FIN scans evade basic firewall/IDS detection. **Internal threat vector**: Attacker IP (192.168.100.95) resides within the 192.168.100.0/24 subnet, suggesting **potential compromised internal asset**.

UDP exposure risk: Short-length UDP packets (<=8 bytes) indicate service enumeration attempts on stateless protocols.

Severity Levels

Critical: TCP Connect Scan (window size >1024) + SYN Scan (window size <=1024)

High: XMAS/NULL/FIN stealth scans

Medium: UDP scan (limited payload analysis)

Threat Observations Technical Findings

Scan pattern diversity: Attacker cycled through 5 TCP scan methods (SYN, Connect, XMAS, NULL, FIN) in rapid succession (packets 199-207).

Window size manipulation: SYN scans used both <=1024 and >1024 window sizes, suggesting tool customization or multiple scanning tools.

Stealth technique usage:

XMAS scan (PSH+URG+FIN flags)

NULL scan (no flags set)

FIN scan (FIN flag only)

Target focus: All malicious packets targeted 192.168.100.99, indicating specific host interest.

Protocol distribution: 100% of top threats used TCP (5/5 events), with 1 UDP scan logged separately.

Recommendations Immediate Actions

Quarantine 192.168.100.95: Initiate forensic analysis to determine if device is compromised. **Enhance IDS/IPS rules**:

Block TCP packets with conflicting flag combinations (e.g., FIN without prior SYN)

Alert on sequential scan-type variations from single sources

Implement network segmentation: Restrict internal-east-west communication between 192.168.100.95 and 192.168.100.99.

Configuration Hardening

Deploy TCP stack hardening on 192.168.100.99:

Reject NULL/XMAS/FIN scans at OS level (e.g., iptables DROP invalid packets)

Reduce SYN-ACK retry attempts to mitigate SYN flood risks

Enable UDP payload inspection: Block UDP packets <64 bytes except DNS/DHCP.

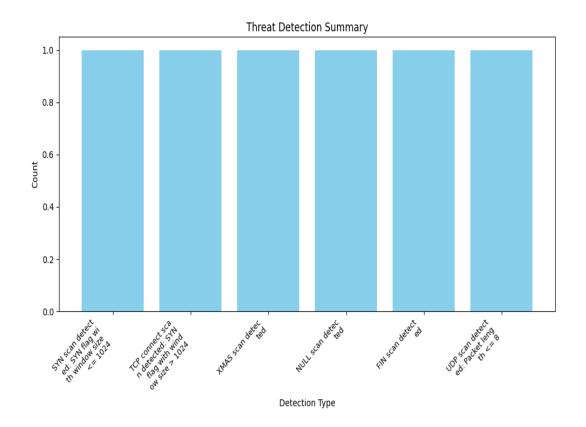
Monitoring Enhancements

Create baselines for normal internal host communication patterns.

Deploy endpoint detection on 192.168.100.95: Hunt for rootkits, credential dumpers, or pentesting tools.

Audit user accounts with access to 192.168.100.95: Verify legitimacy of recent logins.

Threat Detection Summary



Detection Type	Count
SYN scan detected: SYN flag with window size <= 1024	1
TCP connect scan detected: SYN flag with window size > 1024	1
XMAS scan detected	1
NULL scan detected	1
FIN scan detected	1
UDP scan detected: Packet length <= 8	1

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