



Squert, Sguil, Kibana in AWS

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How We Made It - Security Onion - Requirements

Security Onion Hardware requirements

Kibana - 8 GB RAM, 4 CPU Cores

Our “hardware” - AWS Free Tier Limitations

Free Tier Eligible Instance Type Only

1. T2.micro, 1 GB RAM, 1 CPU Core (2.5 GHz)
2. Network Performance - Low to Moderate

Operating System (on ISO) - Ubuntu 16.04.6 LTS



How We Made It - Security Onion - The VM

Download & Install VirtualBox (Version 6.1.4)

<https://www.virtualbox.org/wiki/Downloads>

Download the Security Onion ISO (ISO installs Linux OS) (Version 16.04.6.6)

https://github.com/Security-Onion-Solutions/security-onion/blob/master/Verify_ISO.md

Create VM - VMDK - 20 GB, 1024 MB RAM, 1 CPU, Network (NAT)

Boot to ISO and Install

Export Appliance (OVA file) - **Open Virtualization Format 2.0**



How We Made It - Security Onion - AWS Upload

Links with Instructions and My Example Files

<https://docs.aws.amazon.com/vm-import/latest/userguide/vmimport-image-import.html>


<https://github.com/WingsLikeEagles/SecurityOnionAWS>

Upload to S3 Bucket (s3://bucket-name/SecOnion.ova)

Create IAM Policies (vmimport-role-policy.json and vmimport-trust-policy.json)

Create containers.json

Install AWSCLI locally - *python pip install awscli*



How We Made It - Security Onion - AWS Import

Import the OVA image creating the AMI (Amazon Machine Image)

```
aws ec2 --region us-west-1 import-image --description "Security Onion" --disk-containers "file:///.\containers.json"
```

Record the "ImportTaskId": "import-ami-04548778fe6c9dbd4"

Check Progress with:

```
aws ec2 describe-import-image-tasks --region us-west-1 --import-task-ids import-ami-04548778fe6c9dbd4
```

Should result in the creation of an AMI in EC2 and a Snapshot (these need to be deleted after installation to avoid charges in Free Tier)



How We Made It - Security Onion - Run It

When creating Instance, be sure to create a Key to be able to log in.

Install VcXsrv on local - <https://sourceforge.net/projects/vcxsrv/files/latest/download>

Install Putty on local and create a profile, then ssh in to instance:

- SSH Tunnel ports - 443:localhost:443
- SSH X11 - Enable X11 forwarding

Run Security Onion Install Script - `sudo ~/Desktop/securityonion-setup.desktop`

Say NO to “configure interfaces”, this will drop your connection

Open local Browser to <https://localhost/>

From Putty, *squid.tk* (must have VcXsrv running before connecting to ssh session)

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Performance Tool Ratings

- Each Security Onion tool we used has its own capabilities and benefits.
- Using them all together can yield better results (like peeling back the layers of an onion.).



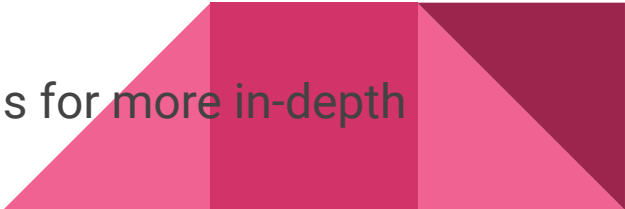
Squert

Pros:

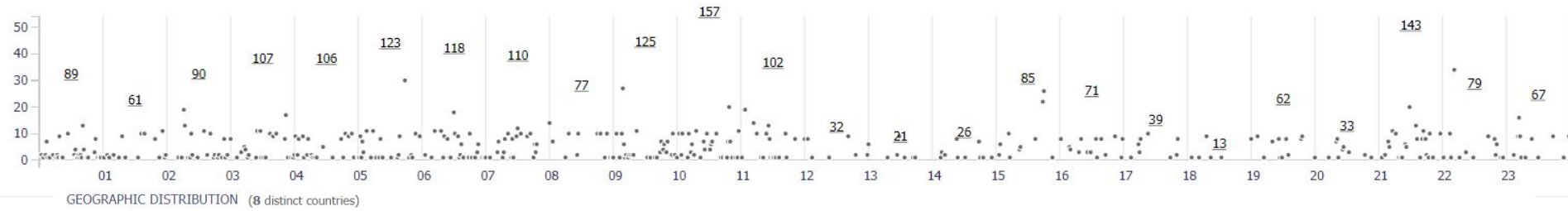
- Gives both NIDS and HIDS alerts
- Gives a broad overview of daily events on the timeplot, so patterns can easily emerge
- Can group similar events in a certain time frame
- Does not require a lot of computer resources

Cons:

Very basic information. Will need to pivot to other programs for more in-depth packet capture



Squert Timeplot and Map



Sguil

Pros:

- Intuitive GUI provides access to real-time events, session data, and raw packet captures
- Can configure email notifications, auto-categorizing rules, and alerts
- Can pivot easily to alternate programs like Wireshark, NetworkMiner, and Kibana once an alert is given

Cons:

- Can only use 1024 sockets for receiving communications from sensors. Too many sensors or sniffing agents may overload
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- Events displayed must be regularly categorized or problems may occur

RealTime Events Escalated Events

ST	CNT	Sensor	Alert ID	Date/Time	Src IP	SPort	Dst IP	DPort	Pr	Event Message
RT	1	snail-onio...	3.7122	2020-07-27 03:25:17	54.38.75.41	56148	172.31.1.105	22	6	ET TOR Known Tor Relay/Router (Not Exit) Node TCP Traffic group 112
RT	1	snail-onio...	3.7123	2020-07-27 03:25:17	54.38.75.41	56148	172.31.1.105	22	6	ET TOR Known Tor Exit Node TCP Traffic group 112
RT	2	snail-onio...	3.7360	2020-07-27 09:37:54	61.177.172.159	46216	172.31.1.105	22	6	ET SCAN Potential SSH Scan
RT	2	snail-onio...	3.7371	2020-07-27 09:54:05	37.49.230.113	45828	172.31.1.105	22	6	ET DROP Dshield Block Listed Source group 1
RT	6	snail-onio...	3.7377	2020-07-27 10:06:29	115.79.137.56	19336	172.31.1.105	22	6	ET SCAN Potential SSH Scan
RT	485	snail-onio...	3.7406	2020-07-27 10:49:31	222.186.52.131	41327	172.31.1.105	22	6	ET SCAN Potential SSH Scan
RT	1	snail-onio...	3.7495	2020-07-27 11:45:50	37.49.224.246	54698	172.31.1.105	22	6	ET DROP Dshield Block Listed Source group 1
RT	1	snail-onio...	3.7538	2020-07-27 12:11:58	51.178.78.154	46847	172.31.1.105	22	6	ET CINS Active Threat Intelligence Poor Reputation IP TCP group 37
RT	1	snail-onio...	3.7646	2020-07-27 13:27:31	145.239.82.87	43681	172.31.1.105	22	6	ET TOR Known Tor Relay/Router (Not Exit) Node TCP Traffic group 13
RT	1	snail-onio...	3.7647	2020-07-27 13:27:31	145.239.82.87	43681	172.31.1.105	22	6	ET TOR Known Tor Exit Node TCP Traffic group 13
RT	7	snail-onio...	3.7889	2020-07-27 16:28:00	222.186.42.57	16981	172.31.1.105	22	6	ET SCAN SSH BruteForce Tool with fake PUTTY version
RT	3	snail-onio...	3.7891	2020-07-27 16:28:21	222.186.42.57	14980	172.31.1.105	22	6	ET SCAN Potential SSH Scan
RT	2	snail-onio...	3.8002	2020-07-27 17:49:49	222.186.42.213	34921	172.31.1.105	22	6	ET SCAN SSH BruteForce Tool with fake PUTTY version
RT	1	snail-onio...	3.8005	2020-07-27 17:50:10	222.186.42.213	39132	172.31.1.105	22	6	ET SCAN Potential SSH Scan
RT	1	snail-onio...	3.8196	2020-07-27 20:30:33	37.49.230.118	59323	172.31.1.105	22	6	ET DROP Dshield Block Listed Source group 1
RT	2	snail-onio...	3.8266	2020-07-27 21:25:18	54.36.61.172	24681	172.31.1.105	22	6	ET CINS Active Threat Intelligence Poor Reputation IP TCP group 40
RT	1	snail-onio...	3.8556	2020-07-28 01:07:29	65.49.20.66	52826	172.31.1.105	22	6	ET CINS Active Threat Intelligence Poor Reputation IP TCP group 64

IP Resolution

Agent Status

Snort Statistics

System Msgs

User Msgs

☒ Reverse DNS
 ☒ Enable External DNS

Src IP: 54.38.75.41
 Src Name: ip41.ip-54-38-75.eu
 Dst IP: 172.31.1.105
 Dst Name: ip-172-31-1-105.us-west-1.compute.internal

 Whois Query: ☒ None ☐ Src IP ☐ Dst IP

☒ Show Packet Data
 ☒ Show Rule

alert tcp [54.36.108.162,54.37.16.241,54.38.75.41,54.38.75.42,54.38.75.44,54.38.81.231,54.39.16.73,54.76.120.237,54.94.167.229,5.79.109.48]
 any -> \$HOME_NET any (msg:"ET TOR Known Tor Exit Node TCP Traffic group 112"; flags:S;
 reference:url,doc.emergingthreats.net/bin/view/Main/TorRules; threshold: type limit, track by_src, seconds 60, count 1; classtype:misc-attack;

IP	Source IP			Dest IP			Ver	HL	TOS	len	ID	Flags	Offset	TTL	ChkSum					
	54.38.75.41			172.31.1.105			4	5	0	60	39375	2	0	39	35605					
TCP	U R S F R R C S S Y I																			
	Source Port	Dest Port	R 1	R 0	U G	A R	P C	S S	R T	S H	F N	I N	Seq #	Ack #	Offset	Res	Window	Urp	ChkSum	
	56148	22	X	.			2589017720	0	10	0	29200	0	44632	
DATA	None .											None .								

Search Packet Payload

☐ Hex☒ Text☐ NoCase

Kibana

Pros:

- Has many visual representations of data like histograms, line graphs, pie charts, and heat maps.
- Integrates well with Elasticsearch, which is a popular analytics and search engine, Kibana is the default choice for visualizing data from Elastisearch.
- Comes with mapping support so you can layer geographical information on top of data.
- Machine can learn normal patterns and detect when anomalies occur in data.

Cons:

- Requires more resources to work, which is why we were unable to use it on the free version of AWS.
- Search results in dashboards are limited to the first ten results for a query. Adjusting the size to more may affect performance.
- Searches will also time out, but the timeout value can also be adjusted to wait longer for results.

Add a filter

Navigation

Home
Help

Alert Data
Bro Notices
ElastAlert
HIDS
NIDS

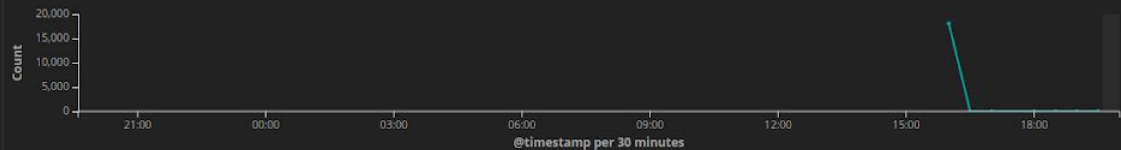
Bro Hunting

Connections
DCE/RPC
DHCP
DNP3
DNS
Files
FTP
HTTP
Intel
IRC
Kerberos
Modbus
MySQL
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RDP
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SMB
SMTP
SNMP
Software
SSH
SSL
Syslog
Tunnels
Weird

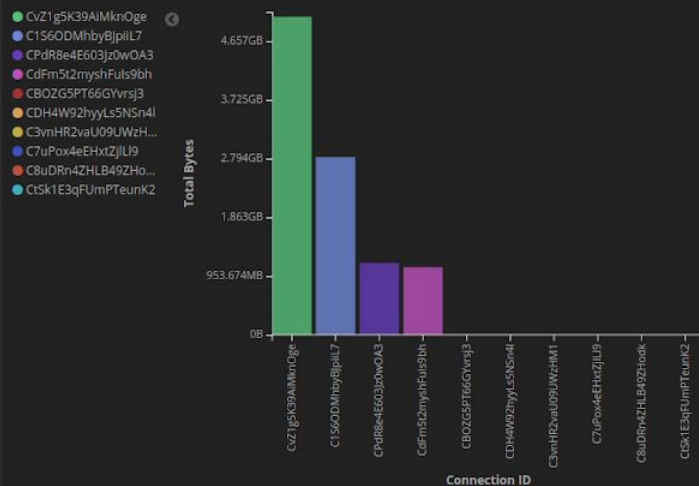
Connections - Log Count

18,132

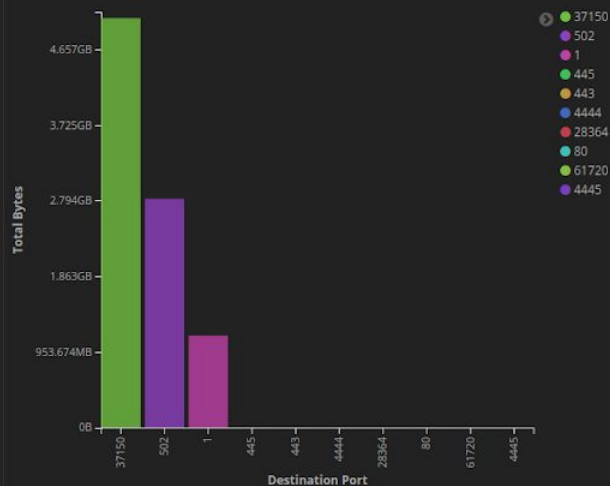
Connections - Log Count Over Time



Connections - Top 10 - Total Bytes By Connection



Connections - Top 10 - Total Bytes By Destination Port



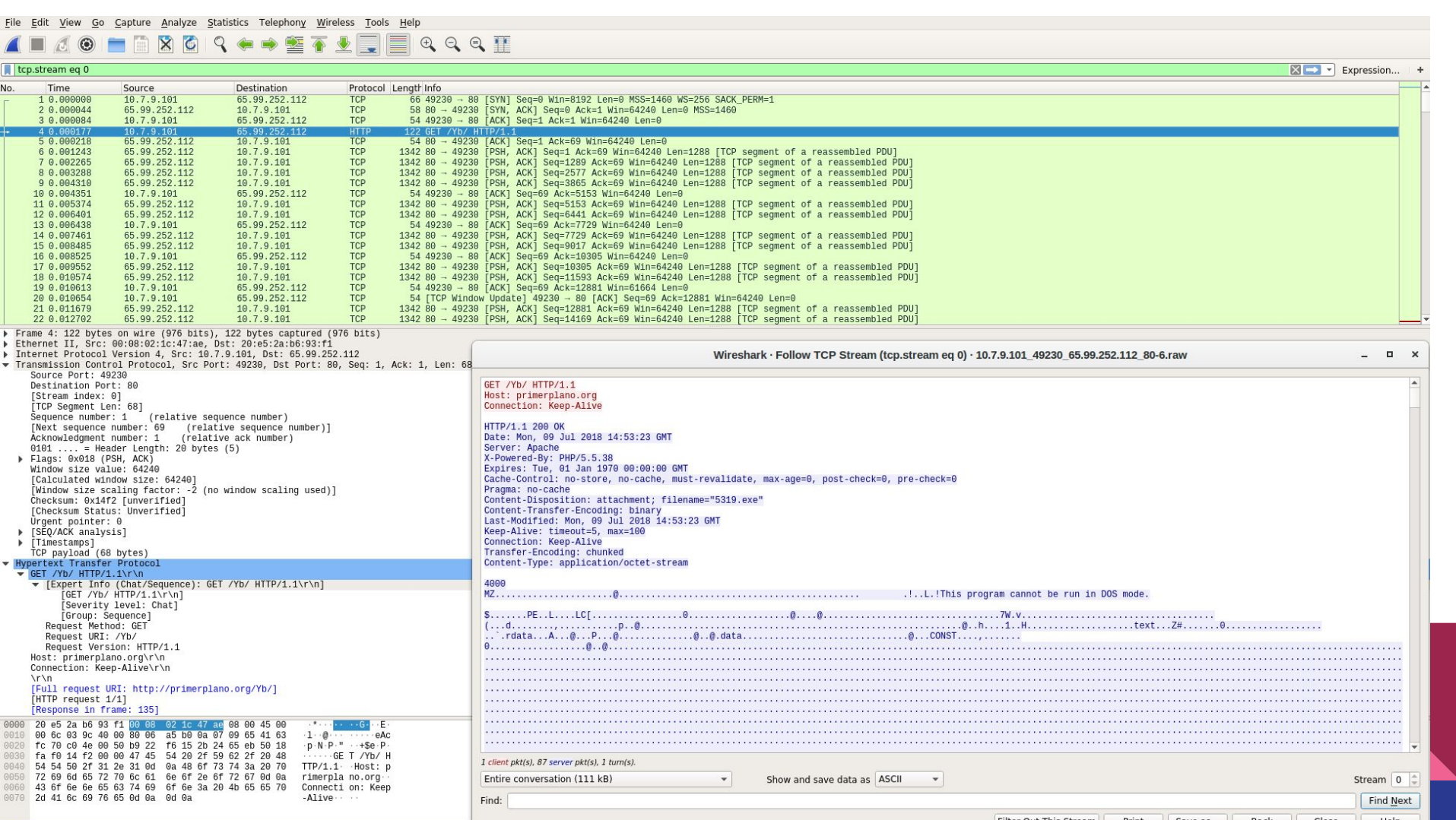
Wireshark

Pros:

- Lets you see the fine details of what is happening on the network. Can show everything in a packet to the a very granular level
- Easy to filter information using capture and display filters
- A good resource for pivoting to find more information after a more general IDS finds an anomaly

Cons:


- Packet capture files can take up a lot of space on your computer
- Can be overwhelming to start here because it shows so much data. Can be easier to see a broader view on other programs



Types of Intrusions:

1. Suspicious login attempts
2. DDoS attacks
3. UDP floods
 - a. During limited scan, no malware reported

Recommendations:

1. Software only is supported on x86 & x64 bit processors, 3-8 physical cores
 - a. In software types of monitoring tools need more processing requirement, up to 10 vCPUs
 2. Logs can add up quickly, large enough storage size for ≥ 30 days (16TB)
 - a. Local storage; SAN, iSCSI
 - b. more disk space you have, the more PCAP retention.
 3. Memory required 8-16GB
 - a. Similar requirements as a corporate workstation standard.
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Any questions?



ected To localhost

s Sound: Off ServerName: localhost UserName: snailz UserID: 2

Escalated Events

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78.154
267.ip-51-178-78.eu
1.105
1-1-105.us-west-1.compute.internal

none ☐ Src IP ☐ Dst IP


☒ Show Packet Data ☒ S

alert tcp
[51.15.217.202,51.15.230.2
.15.54.140,51.15.58.180,51
1.158.114.166,51.158.114.7
0.51.161.34.239,51.178.78.
.254.167.166,51.254.197.14
\$HOME_NET any (msg:"E
threshold: type limit, track b
attack_target Any, deploym
/nsm/server_data/securityo

IP	Source IP	
	51.178.78.154	
TCP	Source Port	Dest Port

 snail@snail-onion: ~

```
Server Command Recieved: SensorStatusUpd  
sec ossec {2020-07-28 03:43:14} 1} 2 {sr  
20-07-28 03:44:23} 1} 3 {snail-onion-eth  
3:43:22} 1}}
```

 SGUIL-0.9.0

Sguil - A tcl/tk interface for network security monitoring

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Select Network(s) to Monitor

☒ snail-onion-eth0

unmonitored

☐ snail-onion-ossec

unmonitored

Select All

Start SGUIL

Exit