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IPSec Security (Windows XP to XP)



Laboratory Overview

Objective

At the end of this lab students will be able to configure, assign, and test a Windows XP IP Security Policy.

Information for Laboratory

- A. Students will utilize the Microsoft Management Console to create, edit, and assign an IPsec policy.

Student Preparation

The student will have completed requisite reading. The student will require paper for notes and should be prepared to discuss the exercises upon completion.

Students will need access to a Windows XP workstation with access to Local Computer IP Security Policies Snap-in.

Warning[s]

An IP Security Policy can completely block all network communications. Be sure to un-assign and remove all IP Security policies created in this lab.

Estimated Completion Time

60 Minutes

IP Security Policies in Windows XP



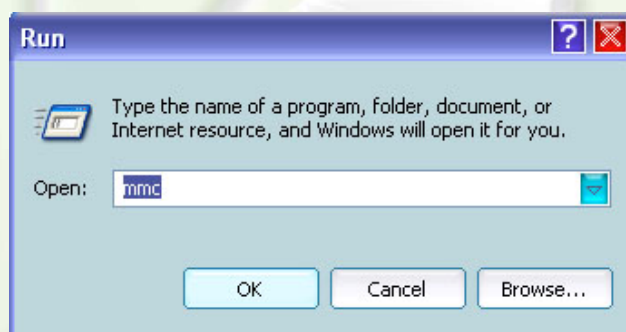
Internet Protocol Security (IPSec) is a framework of open



standards for ensuring private, secure communications over Internet Protocol (IP) networks, through the use of cryptographic security services. IPSec supports network-level peer authentication, data origin authentication, data integrity, data confidentiality (encryption), and replay protection. The Microsoft implementation of IPSec is based on standards developed by the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) IPSec working group. The strong, cryptographic-based authentication and encryption that IPSec provides is especially useful for securing traffic that must traverse untrusted network paths, such as on a large corporate intranet or the Internet. IPSec is also especially useful for securing traffic that uses protocols and applications that do not provide sufficient security for communications.

Step 1: Load Local Security Policy Management snap-in

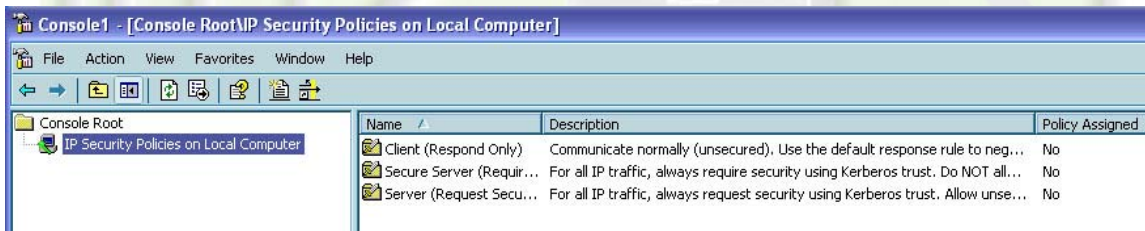
From START, Run, Enter 'mmc'



From File, click Add Remove Snap-in. On the Add Remove Snap-in box, click Add on the bottom. Scroll down to the IP Security Policy Management Snap-in, select it, and click Add, then click finish to accept the default settings for Local Computer.

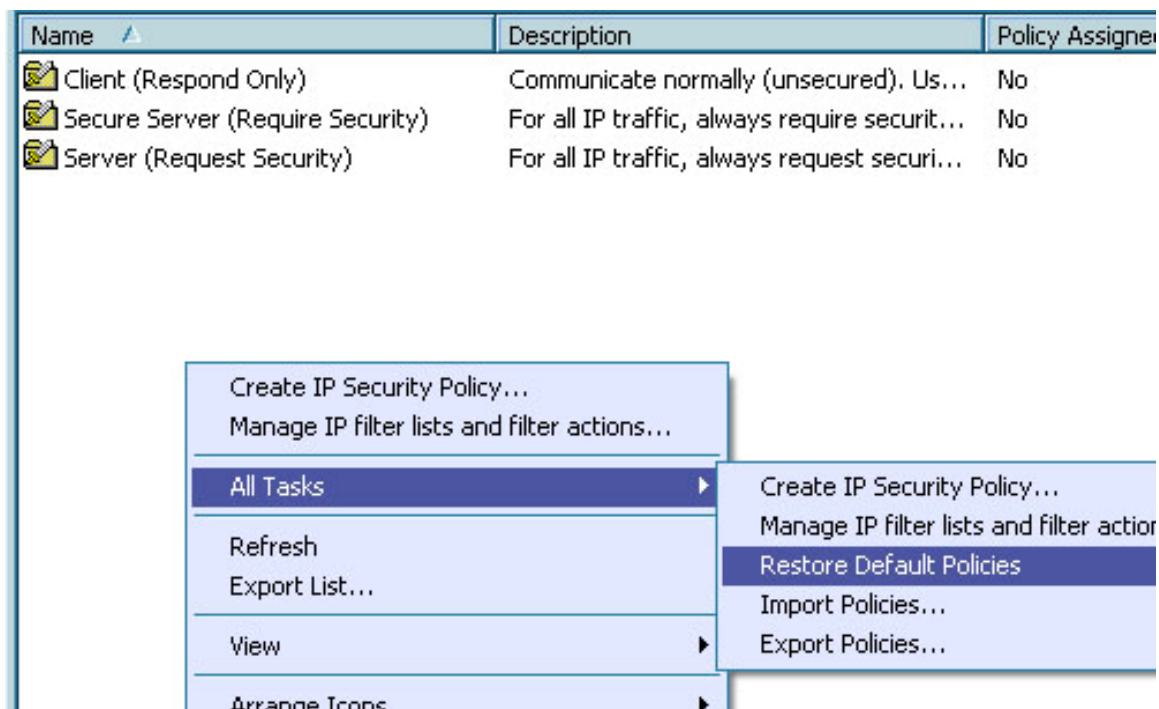


Once back to the Add Remove Snap-in box, click OK again. Now the IP Security Policy Management snap-in is loaded, double click on the IP Security Policies on Local Computer in the Left side. This will show all Security Policies on the Local computer.



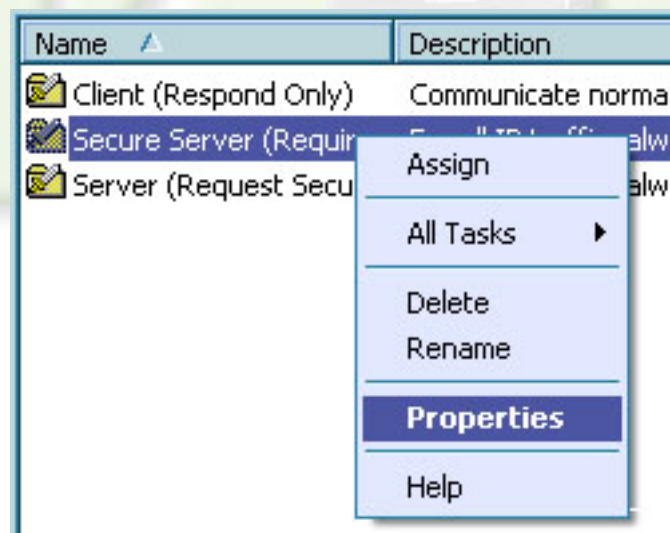
On the right side, right click and delete all security policies. Then, right click in the open space, and select All Tasks, and Restore Default Policies. This will clear any changes that may have been previously made to your policies. Click Yes when asked if ok, and click OK to acknowledge that Default security policies have been successfully restored to default values.

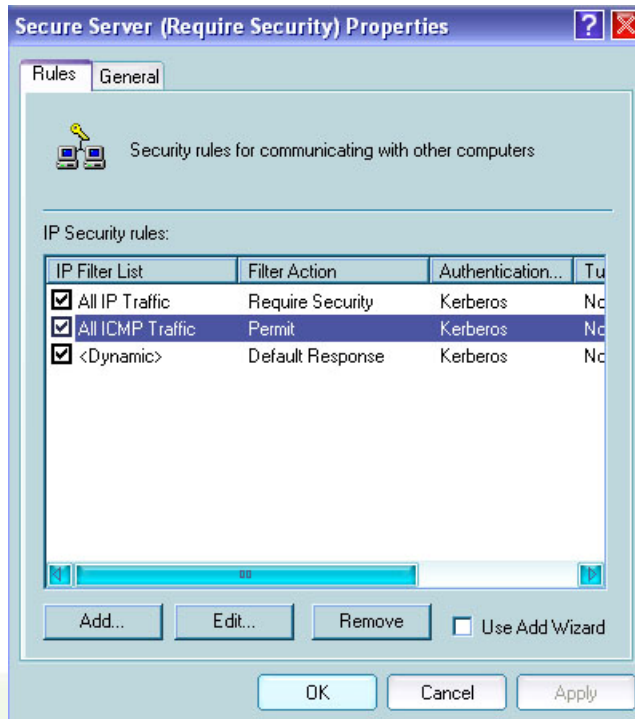




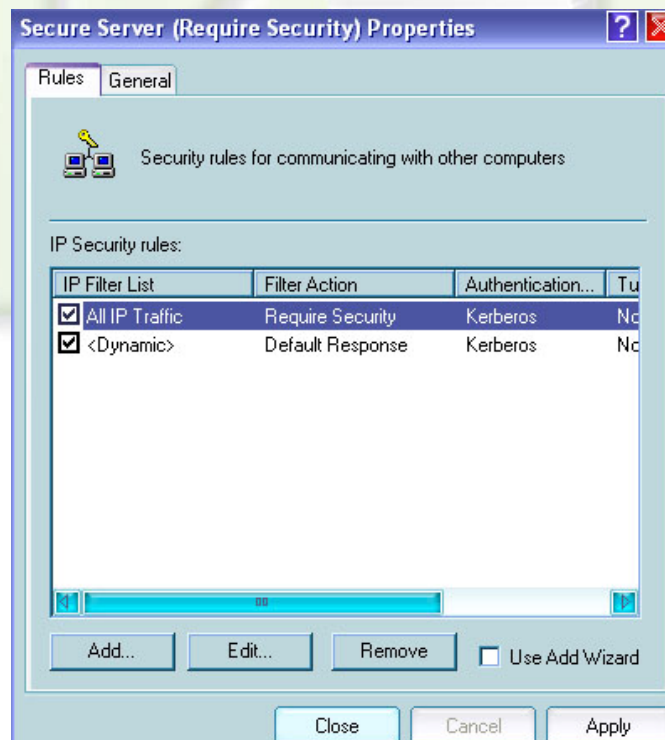
Step 2: Configure an IP Security Policy

Right click on the Secure Server (Require Security) Policy and click properties.

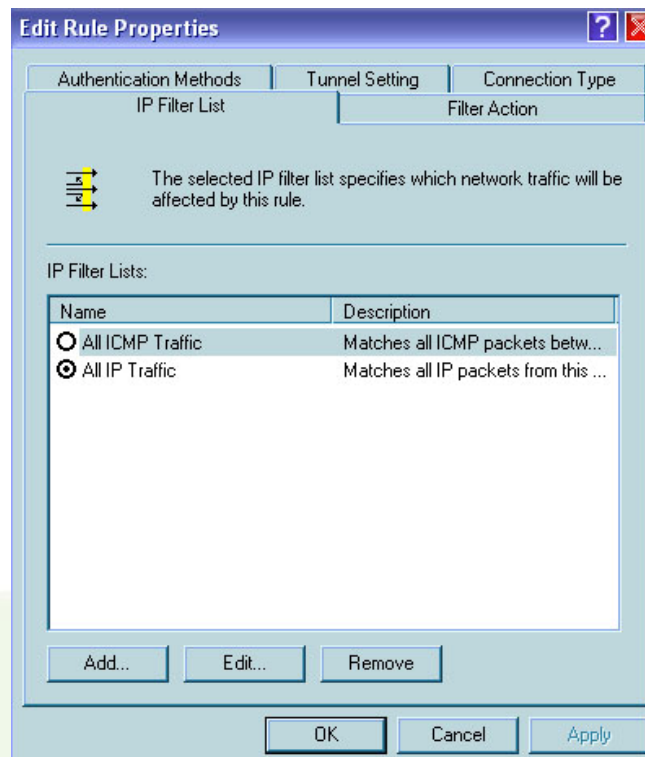




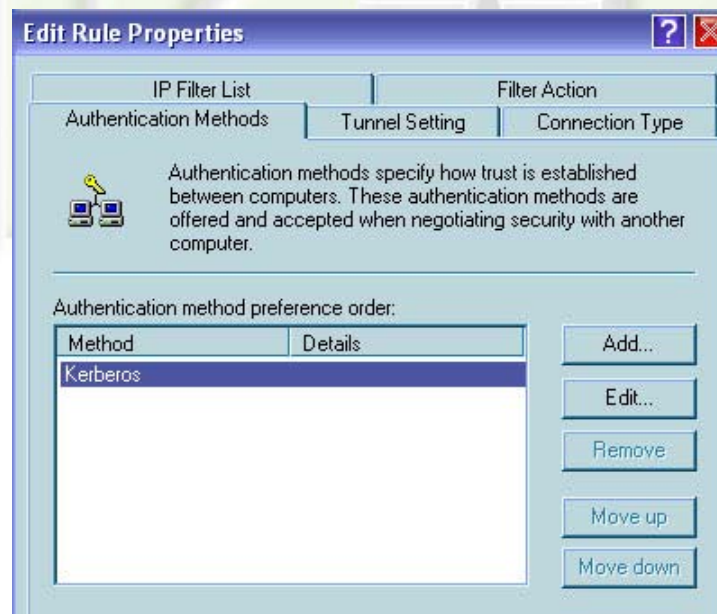
From the properties box, delete the All ICMP Traffic rule by selecting it and clicking remove.



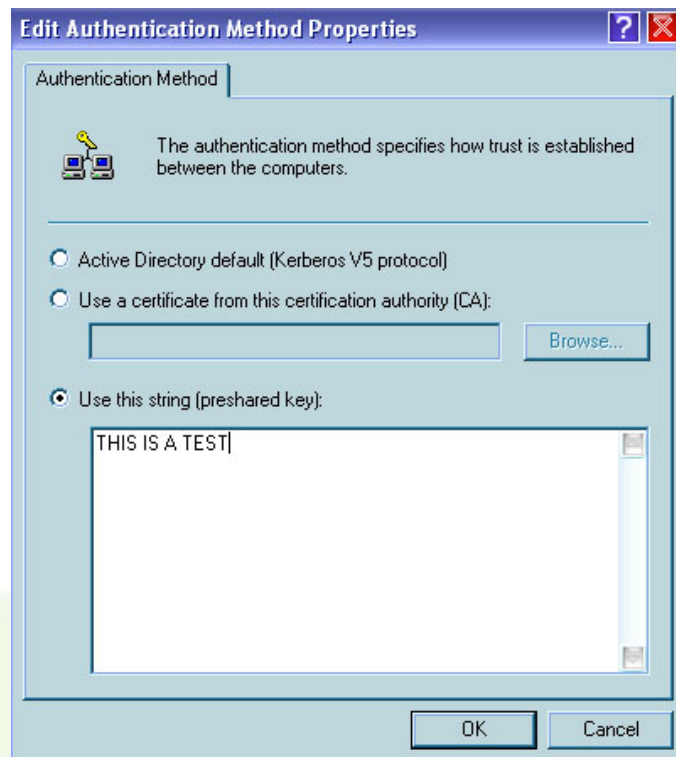
Select the All IP Traffic rule, and click edit



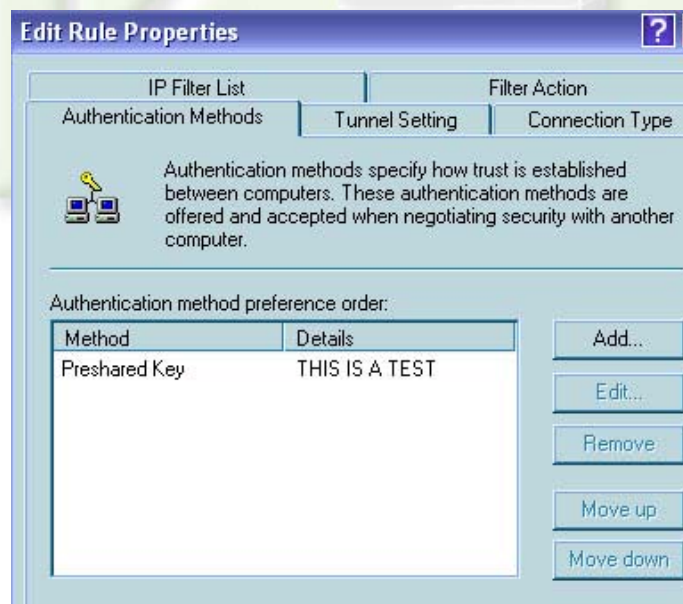
Click on the Authentication Methods Tab



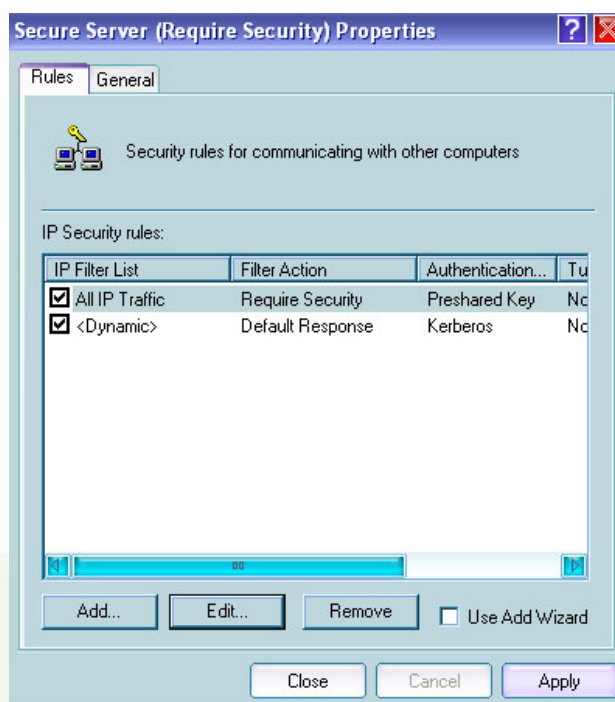
Select Kerberos and click edit...



Select the Use this string (preshared key) radio button, and type 'THIS IS A TEST' in the box as above and click OK.



When back at the Secure Server Properties box, click Apply and then OK.



Step 3: Test IP connectivity

From START, Run, type 'cmd' in the run box, and click OK.

At the command prompt, type 'ipconfig' to view your current IP configuration. Note your IP address and Default gateway.

Next try to ping your default gateway, and your neighbor, by entering 'ping x.x.x.x' x.x.x.x being your default gateway, or neighbors IP address.

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C:\ D:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe
U:\>ipconfig

Windows IP Configuration

Ethernet adapter Local Area Connection:

    Connection-specific DNS Suffix  . : egypt.local
    IP Address. . . . .               : 10.0.0.245
    Subnet Mask . . . . .             : 255.255.255.0
    Default Gateway . . . . .         : 10.0.0.1

U:\>ping 10.0.0.1

Pinging 10.0.0.1 with 32 bytes of data:

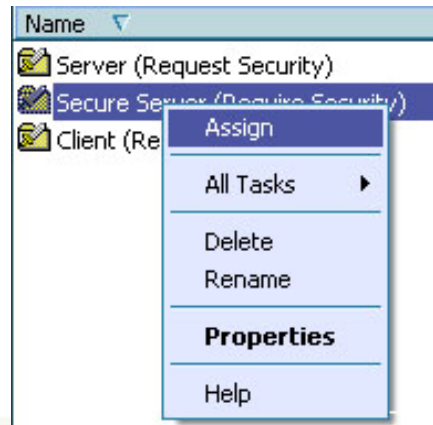
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Ping statistics for 10.0.0.1:
    Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),
    Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
        Minimum = 1ms, Maximum = 1ms, Average = 1ms

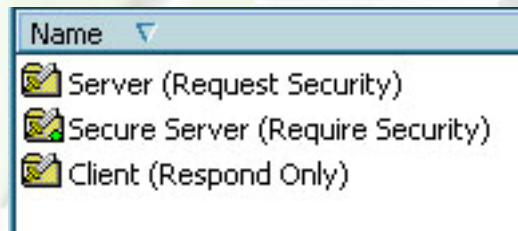
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Step 4: Assign the IP Security Policy

From the Console Root, IP Security Policies on Local Computer, Right Click on the Secure Server (Require Security) Policy and choose Assign.



Once the policy is assigned, there will be a green circle on top of the icon, and it will show up as Yes on the Policy assigned column.



Step 5: Test IP connectivity with IPSec policy assigned

Repeat step 3 above.

You should see the following output...

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Pinging 10.0.0.1 with 32 bytes of data:

Negotiating IP Security.
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Ping statistics for 10.0.0.1:
    Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 0, Lost = 4 (100% loss),
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Step 6: Test IP connectivity with IPSec policy assigned to a neighbor computer (Windows XP to Windows XP)

1. Have your partner repeat steps 1 – 5 on their computer and then try to ping each other. Was the ping successful?
2. Unassign the IPSec Policy from one of the two computers and try to ping again. Was the ping successful?

Step 7: Modifying the Policy

1. With the same IP Security Policy from above assigned on both partner computers, change the Preshared key in step 2 to something different on both computers. Try to ping again. Was the ping successful?
2. Find or make a small text document that you can copy and paste as a new preshared key. Share the document with your partner, and you should both change your preshared keys, and test again.

(Note that policies need to be restored in order to once again connect to the Internet.)

Analysis

- 1) For which applications are IP Security Policies best suited?
- 2) After working with Windows IP Security Policies, what about IPSec do you feel you should study further? Why?
- 3) Why should you use IPSec in a public network environment?

Summary Discussion

A classroom discussion should follow the lab. Review the lab questions and your analyses as a group. Share your experiences and knowledge with the class.

Appendix:

The OS environment for this lab was Windows XP Professional, Version 2002, Service Pack 2 (8/04).

