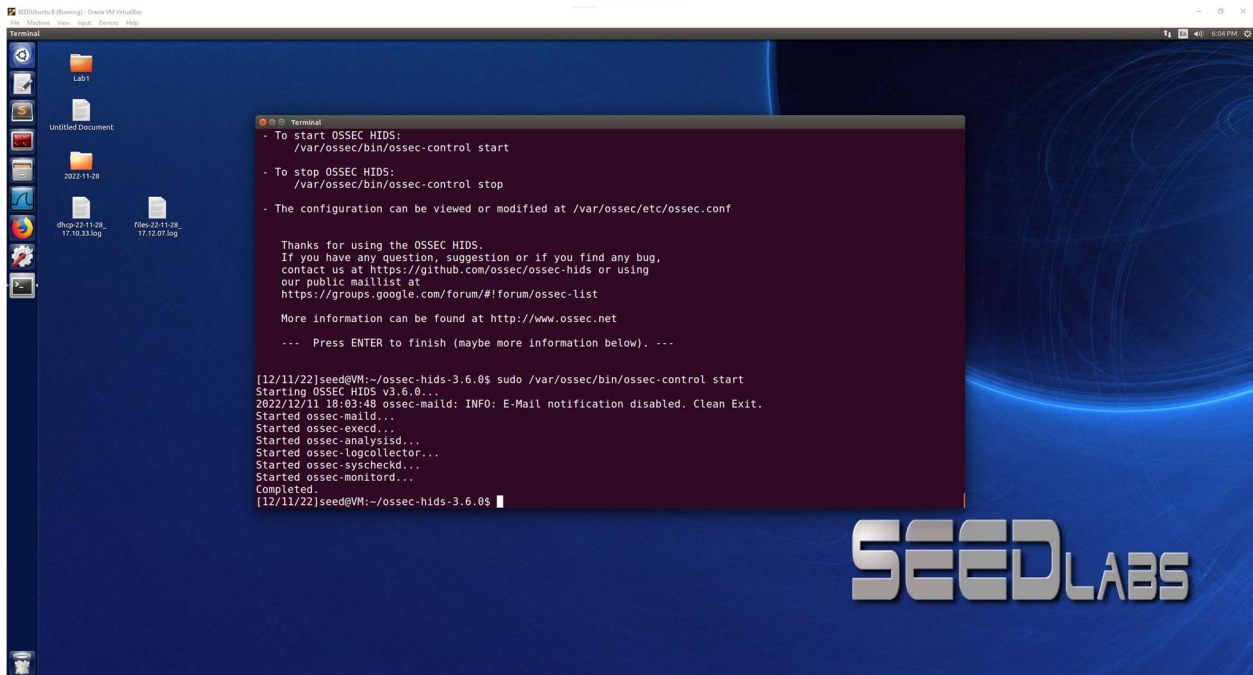


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VM B(With OSSEC): 10.0.2.4

Screenshot showing that OSSEC was successfully installed and able to be started



The screenshot shows a virtual machine desktop with a blue background and the 'SEEDLABS' logo. A terminal window is open, displaying the following text:

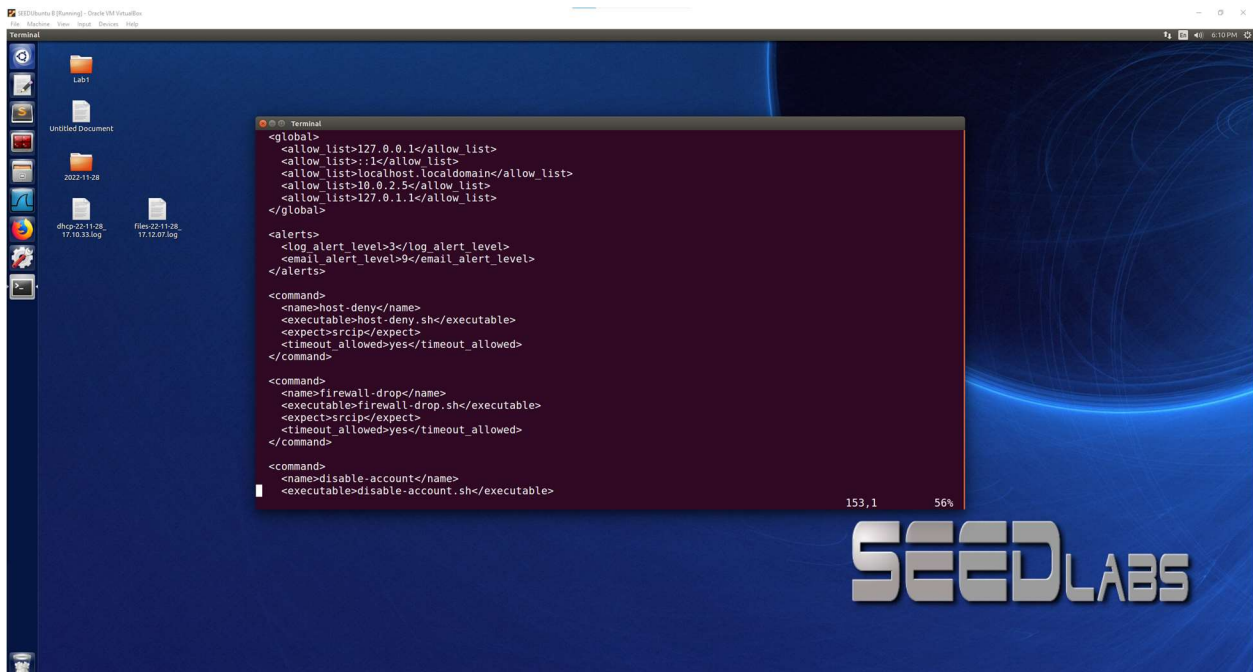
```
Terminal
- To start OSSEC HIDS:
  /var/ossec/bin/ossec-control start
- To stop OSSEC HIDS:
  /var/ossec/bin/ossec-control stop
- The configuration can be viewed or modified at /var/ossec/etc/ossec.conf

Thanks for using the OSSEC HIDS.
If you have any question, suggestion or if you find any bug,
contact us at https://github.com/ossec/ossec-hids or using
our public maillist at
https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/ossec-list

More information can be found at http://www.ossec.net
--- Press ENTER to finish (maybe more information below). ---

[12/11/22]seed@VM:~/ossec-hids-3.6.0$ sudo /var/ossec/bin/ossec-control start
Starting OSSEC HIDS v3.6.0...
2022/12/11 18:03:48 ossec-malld: INFO: E-Mail notification disabled. Clean Exit.
Started ossec-maild...
Started ossec-execd...
Started ossec-analysisd...
Started ossec-logcollector...
Started ossec-syscheckd...
Started ossec-monitord...
Completed.
[12/11/22]seed@VM:~/ossec-hids-3.6.0$
```

Severity Levels changed to 3 and 9



The screenshot shows the same virtual machine desktop. The terminal window now displays the following XML configuration for OSSEC:

```
<global>
<allow_list>127.0.0.1</allow_list>
<allow_list>::1</allow_list>
<allow_list>localhost.localdomain</allow_list>
<allow_list>10.0.2.5</allow_list>
<allow_list>127.0.1.1</allow_list>
</global>

<alerts>
<log_alert_level>3</log_alert_level>
<email_alert_level>9</email_alert_level>
</alerts>

<command>
<name>host-deny</name>
<executable>host-deny.sh</executable>
<expect>script</expect>
<timeout_allowed>yes</timeout_allowed>
</command>

<command>
<name>firewall-drop</name>
<executable>firewall-drop.sh</executable>
<expect>script</expect>
<timeout_allowed>yes</timeout_allowed>
</command>

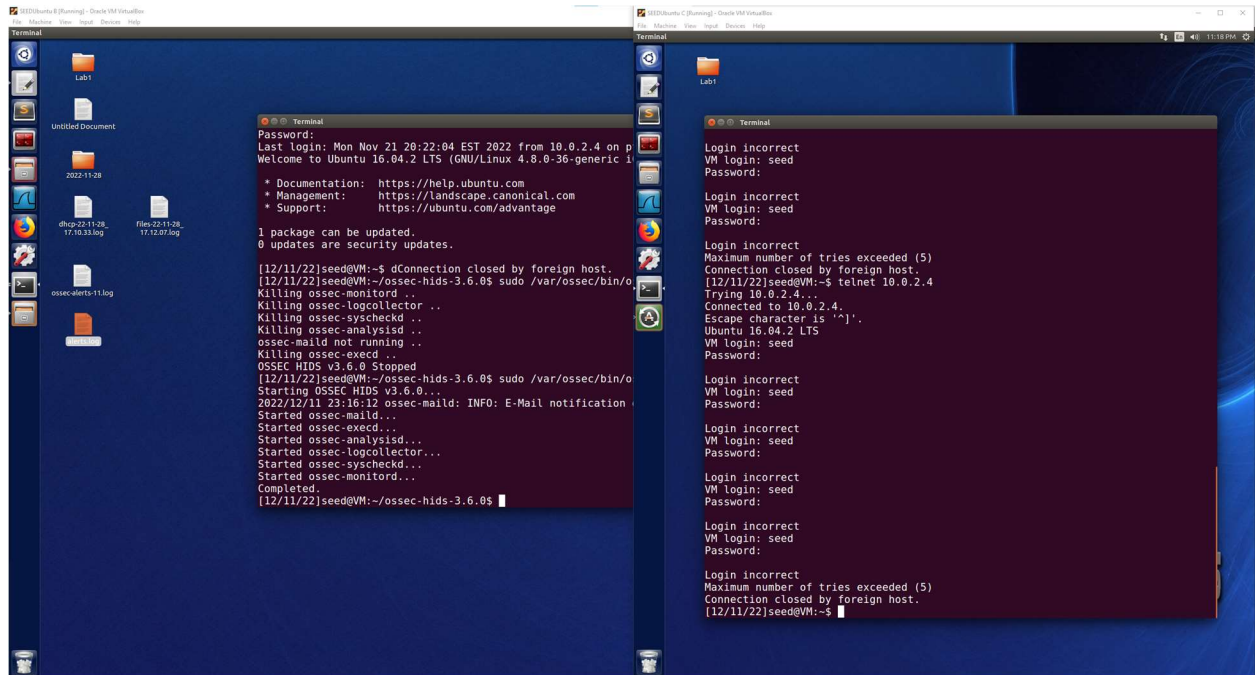
<command>
<name>disable-account</name>
<executable>disable-account.sh</executable>
```

At the bottom of the terminal window, the IP address '153.1' and the percentage '56%' are visible.

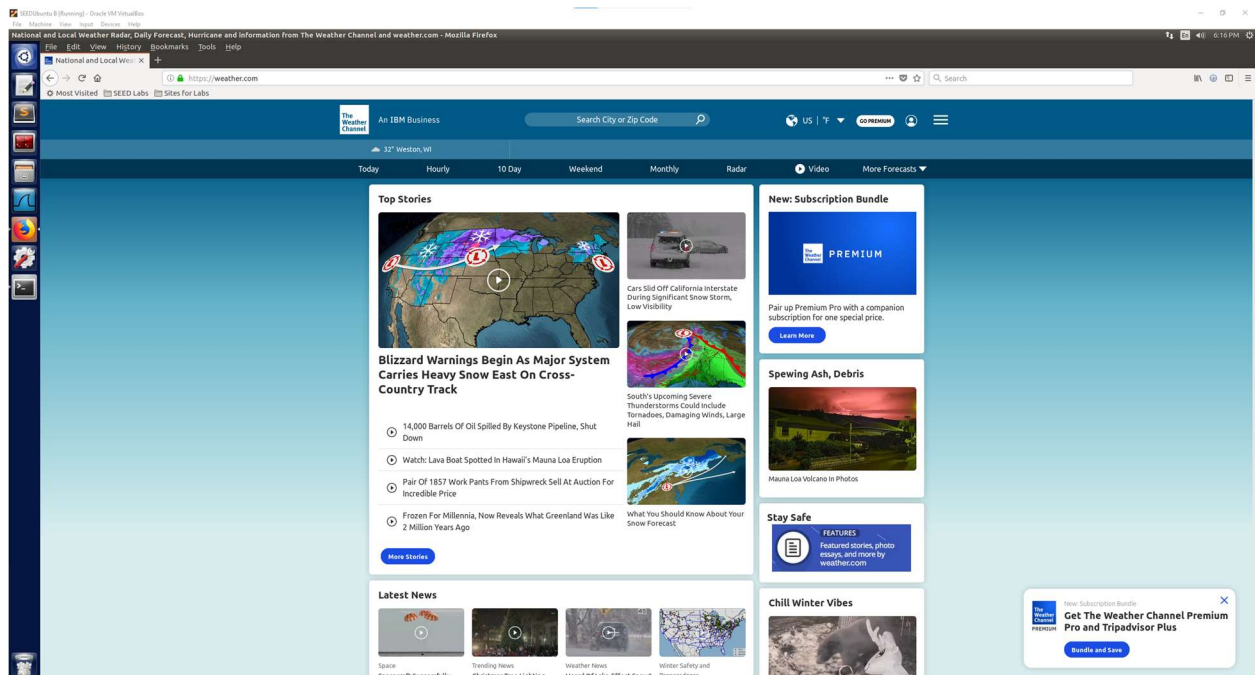
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Password guessing attack, 10 attempts through telnet

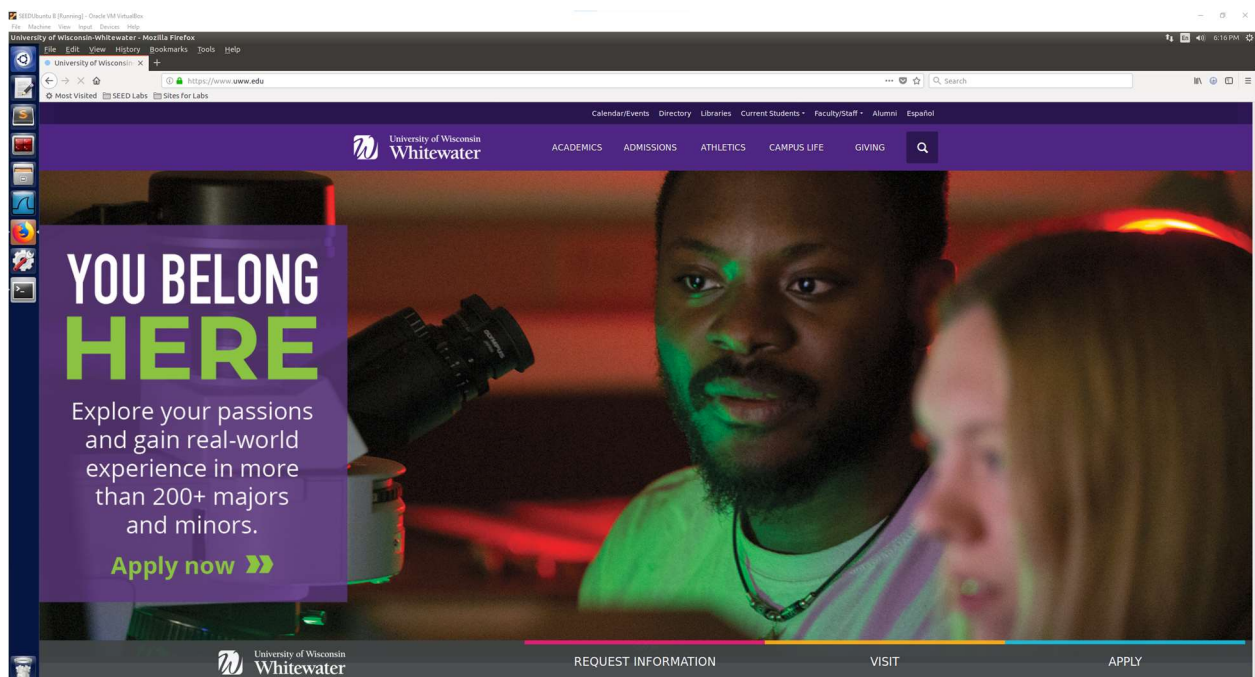
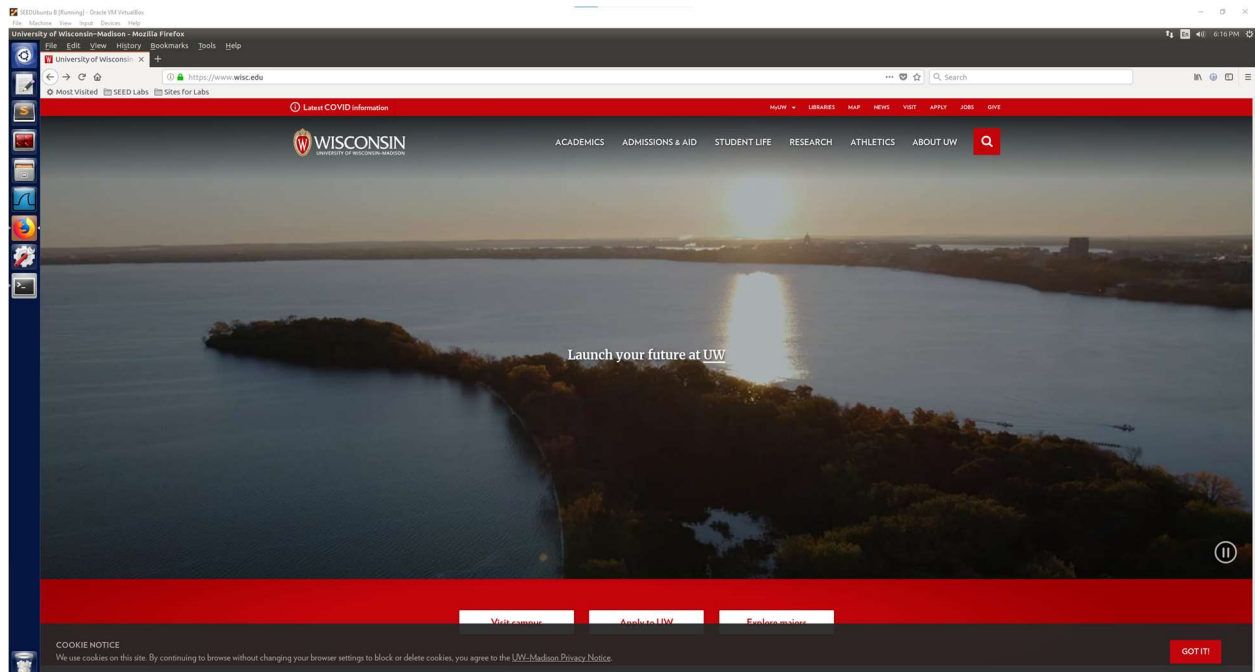


Browsing a few https



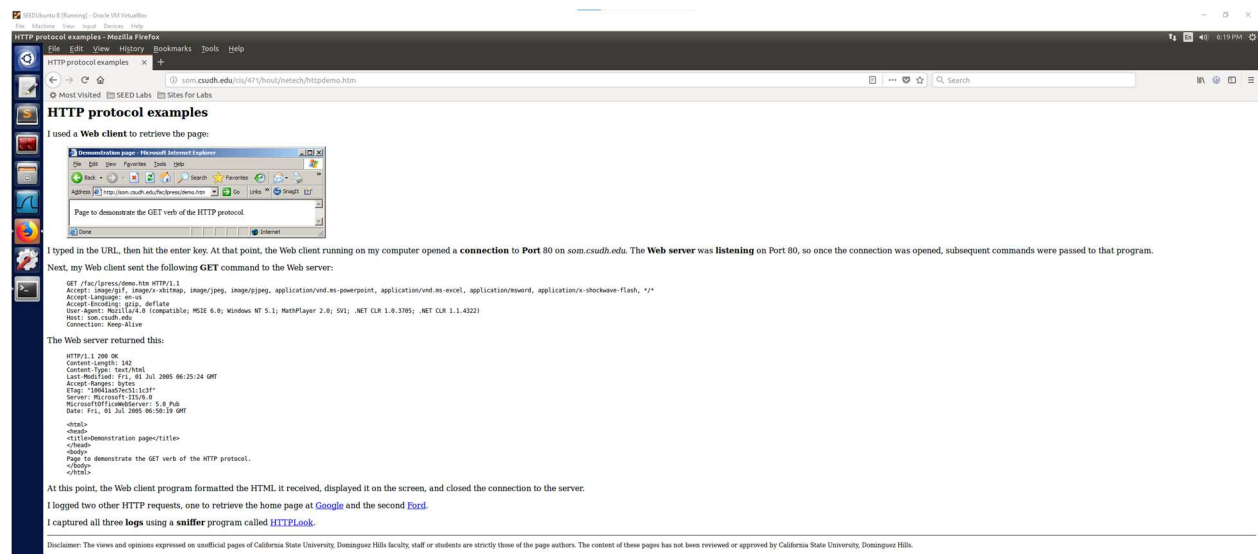
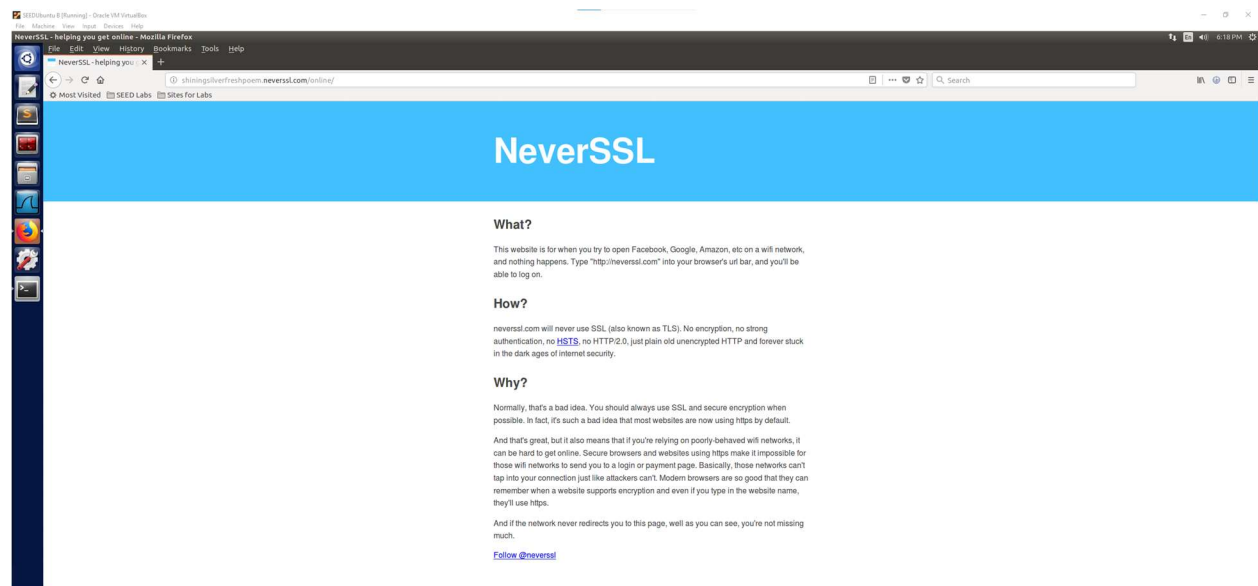
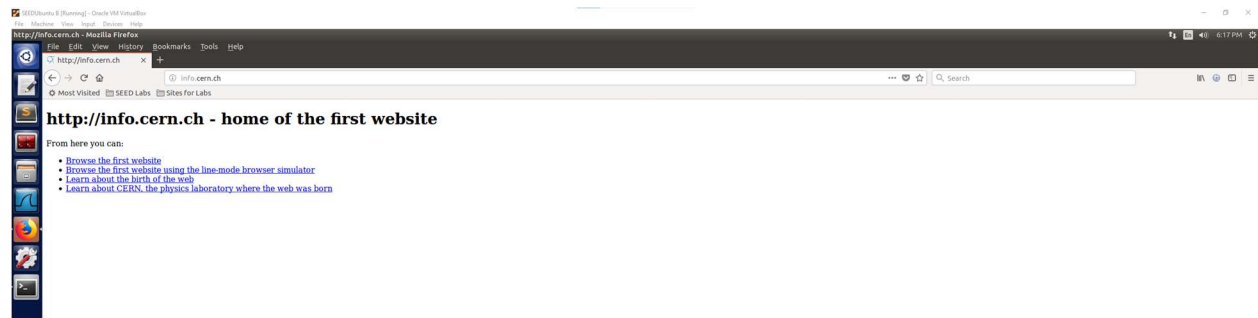
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Browsing some http sites

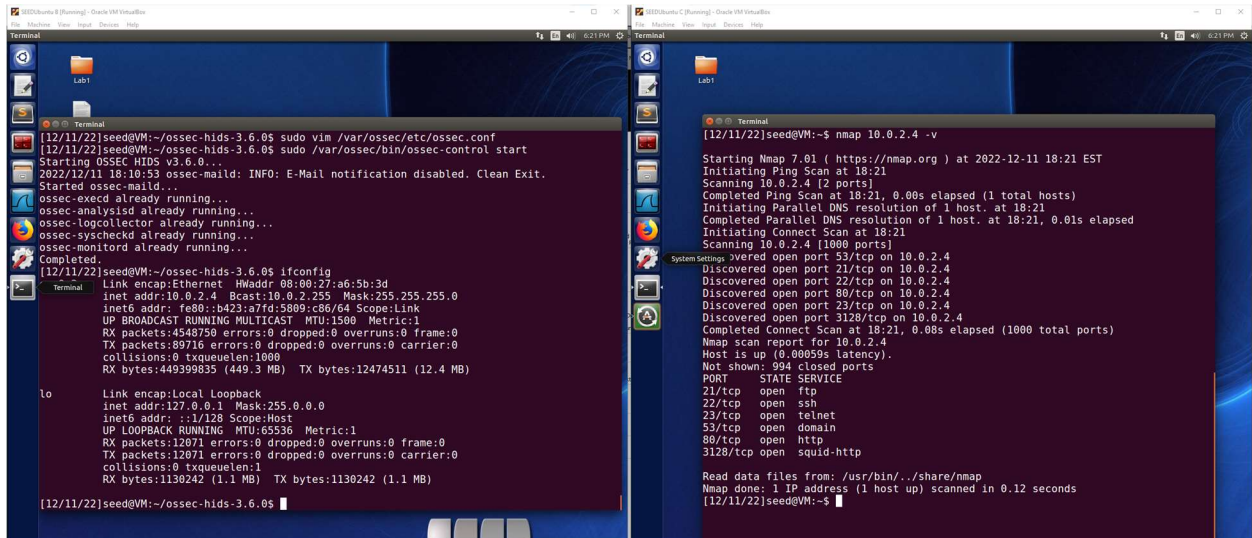


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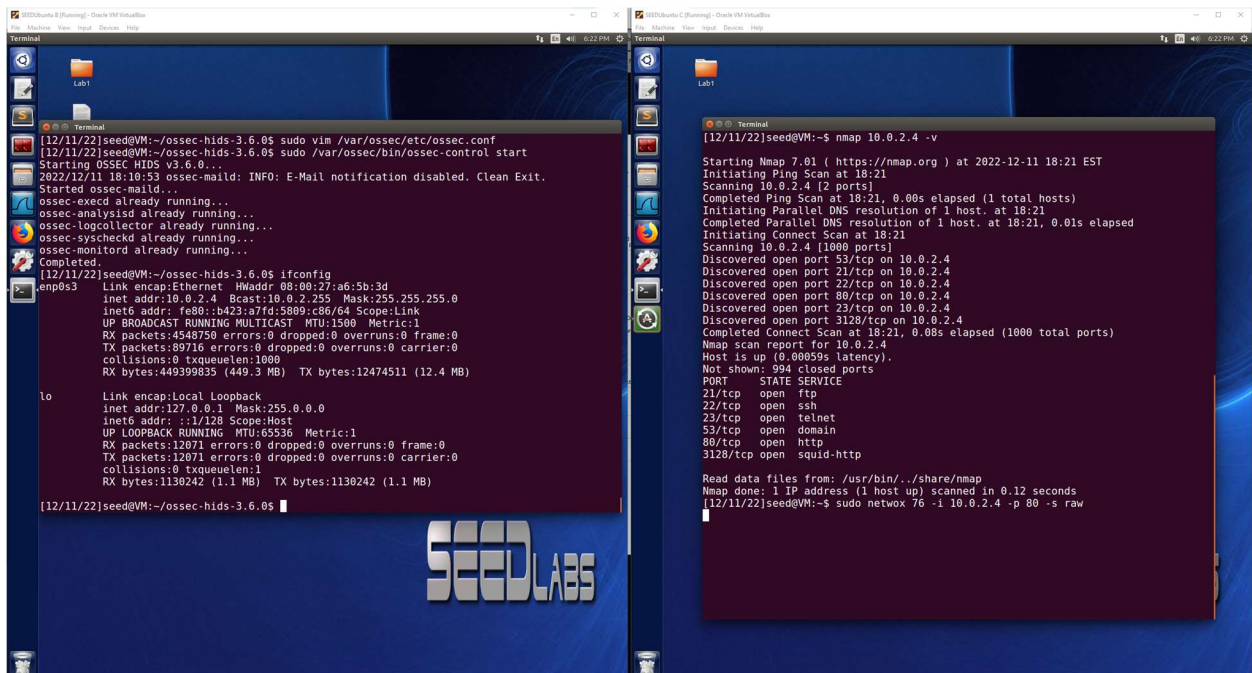
Attack 1: nmap port scanning for open ports on OSSEC VM 10.0.2.4

nmap 10.0.2.4 -v



Attack 2: SYN Flood Attack on OSSEC VM 10.0.2.4

sudo netxox 76 -i 10.0.2.4 -p 80 -s raw

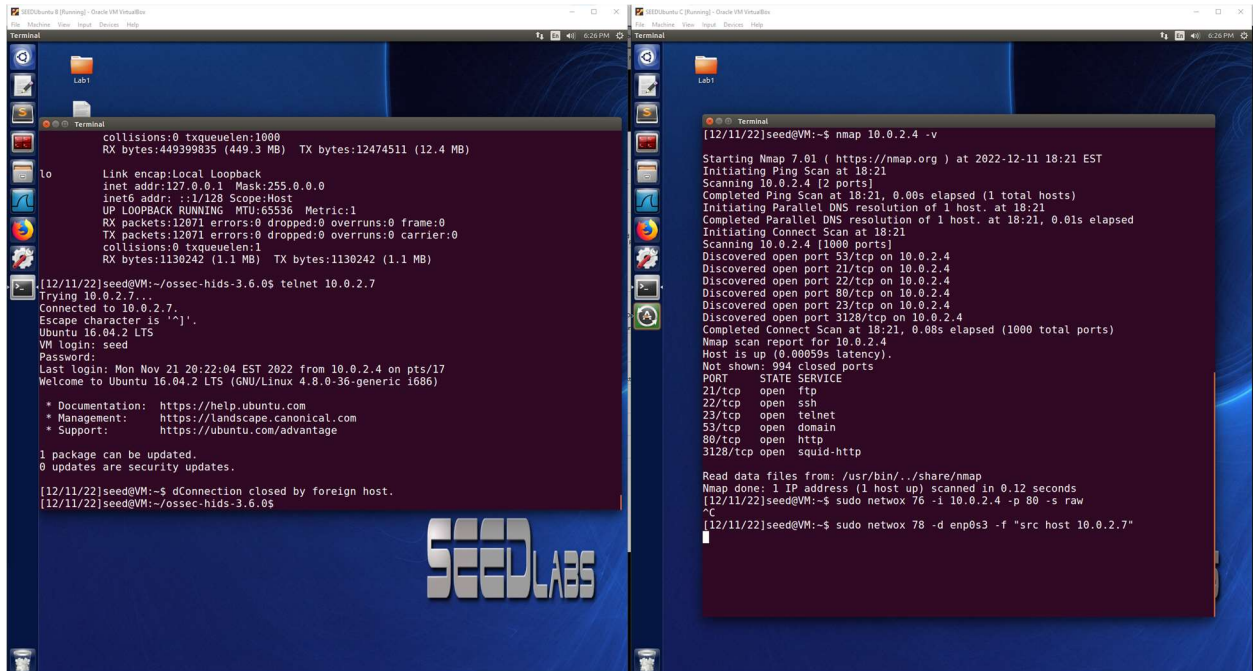


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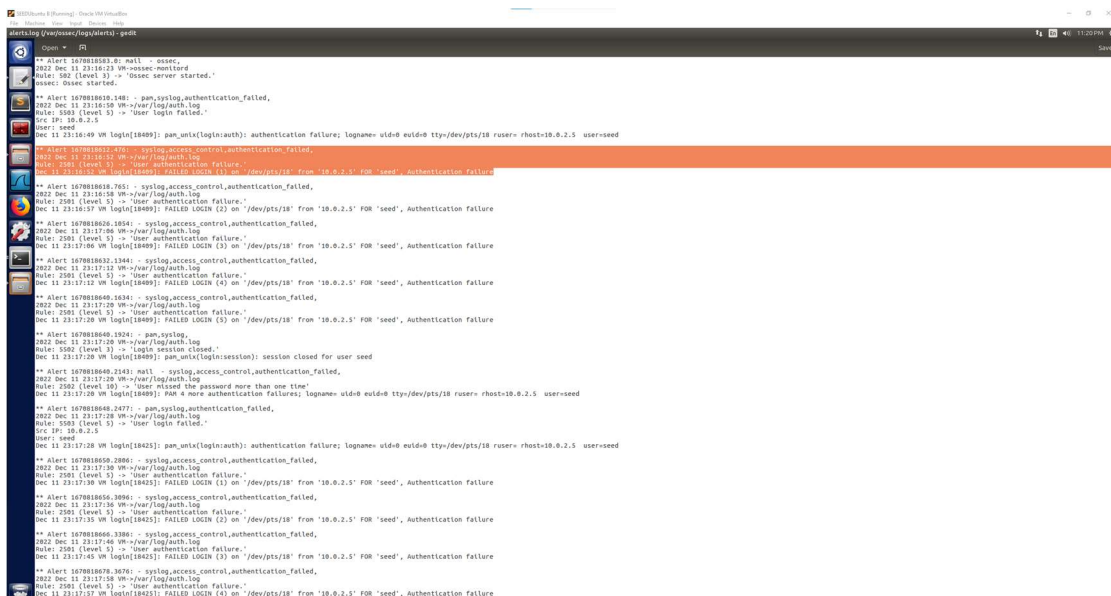
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Attack 3: TCP reset attack on OSSEC VM 10.0.2.4 when telnet to 10.0.2.7

sudo netxox 78 -d enp0s3 -f "src host 10.0.2.7"



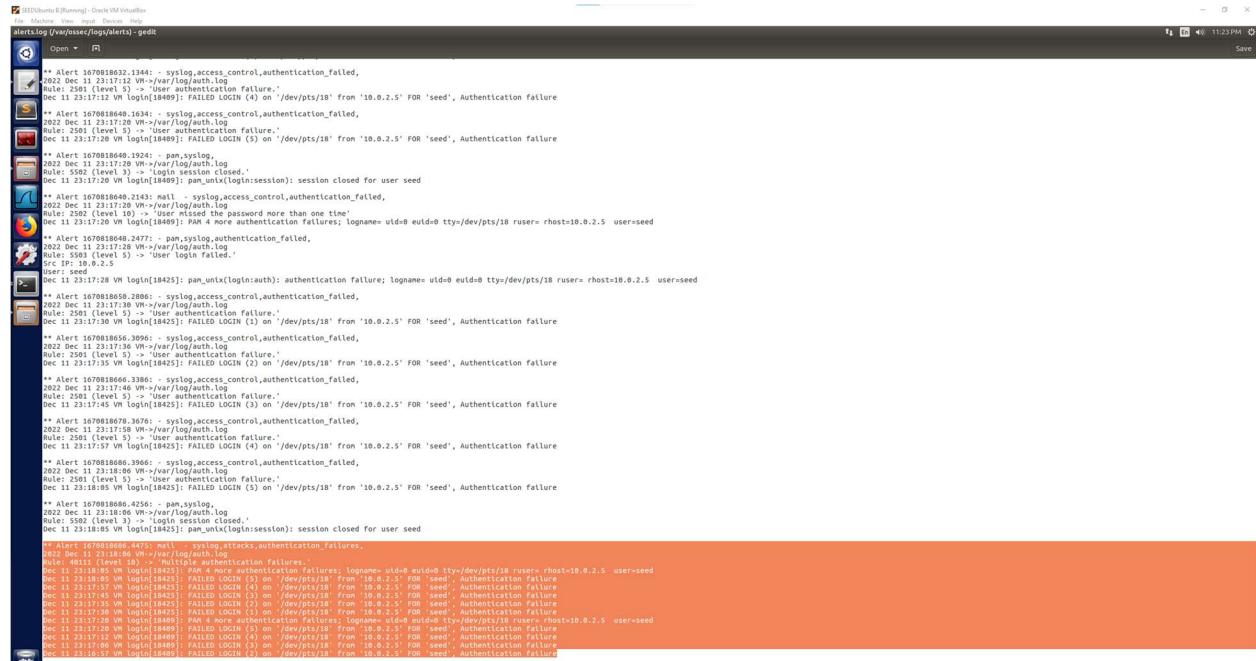
After stopping OSSEC and pulling up the alerts.log I was able to see the alerts for the incorrect password attempts. In the image below one of the attempts is highlighted where the Rule 2501 alert was issued labeled as “User authentication failure”, it also lists information such as the user that was trying to be accessed and then the attempt number that it was. After 5 attempts the connection session was closed and then re-opened for another 5 attempts. There is also information provided about the source IP address that was trying to access the user. This is a good informational log of the password attempt amounts, to what user, and where they came from.



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After the alerts for each individual attempt there is also a log of Rule 40111 which is “Multiple authentication failures” which lists all of the attempts, from what IP address, and for what user they were trying to access. This compiles the attempts and would be a good indication of a brute password guessing attempt.



```
alertLog (/var/ossec/logs/alerts) - gedit
** Alert 1670818032.1344: - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:12 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2501 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:17:18 VM login[18489]: FAILED LOGIN (3) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure

** Alert 1670818040.1634: - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:20 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2501 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM login[18489]: FAILED LOGIN (5) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure

** Alert 1670818040.1924: - pam.syslog,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:20 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 5502 (level 3) -> "Login session closed."
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM login[18489]: pam_unix(login:session): session closed for user seed

** Alert 1670818040.2143: mail - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:20 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2502 (level 10) -> "User missed the password more than one time"
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM login[18489]: PAM 4 more authentication failures; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=/dev/pts/18 ruser= rhost=10.0.2.5 user=seed

** Alert 1670818040.2477: - pam.syslog,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:20 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 5503 (level 5) -> "User login failed."
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM login[18425]: pam_unix(login:auth): authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=/dev/pts/18 ruser= rhost=10.0.2.5 user=seed

** Alert 1670818050.2086: - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:30 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2501 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:17:30 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (3) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure

** Alert 1670818056.3096: - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:35 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2501 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:17:35 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure

** Alert 1670818066.3386: - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:40 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2501 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:17:40 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure

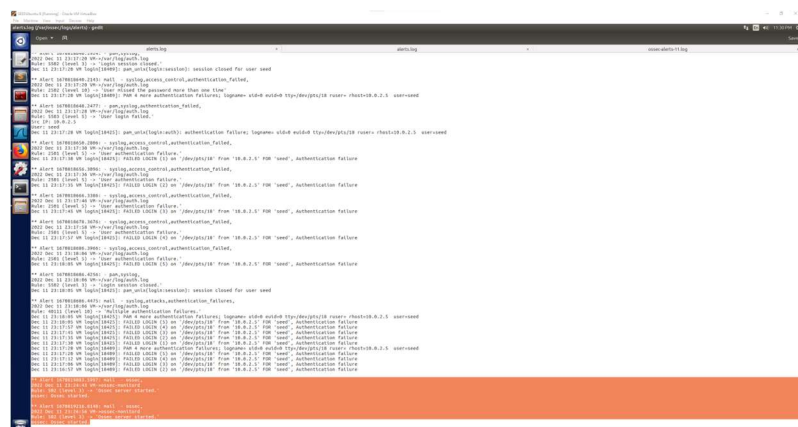
** Alert 1670818076.3676: - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:50 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2501 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:17:50 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (4) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure

** Alert 1670818086.3966: - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:18:00 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2501 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:18:00 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (5) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure

** Alert 1670818086.4256: - pam.syslog,
2022 Dec 11 23:18:00 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 5502 (level 3) -> "Login session closed."
Dec 11 23:18:00 VM login[18425]: pam_unix(login:session): session closed for user seed

** Alert 1670818090.4475: mail - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:18:00 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 40111 (level 10) -> "Multiple authentication failures."
Dec 11 23:18:00 VM login[18425]: PAM 4 more authentication failures; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=/dev/pts/18 ruser= rhost=10.0.2.5 user=seed
Dec 11 23:18:00 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (3) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:57 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (4) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:45 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (5) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:35 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (3) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM login[18489]: PAM 4 more authentication failures; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=/dev/pts/18 ruser= rhost=10.0.2.5 user=seed
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM login[18489]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:12 VM login[18489]: FAILED LOGIN (4) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:00 VM login[18489]: FAILED LOGIN (5) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:16:50 VM login[18489]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
```

Next up was browsing the https and http websites. In the log file I did not see any alerts come up from the https browsing or the http browsing, I was not sure if this was an issue where nothing was being logged due to an error with the browsing or OSSEC not running, but after a second and third attempt of browsing the same websites and clicking on a few more links on the websites themselves there still was no updated information in the alerts.log file. The reasons for this that I can think of would be that there were no level 3 or higher alerts coming from the http or https websites, maybe the alerts would have been triggered at level 1 or 2 so they are not showing up. Or it is also possible that there are just simply no alerts being detected by OSSEC from the websites either due to configuration of OSSEC or that there is no malicious intent coming from the websites to be alerted to. Highlighted below is the second and third attempt of re-starting OSSEC and browsing through the websites to see if there was an issue the first try.



```
alertLog (/var/ossec/logs/alerts) - gedit
** Alert 1670818032.1344: - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:12 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2501 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:17:18 VM login[18489]: FAILED LOGIN (3) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure

** Alert 1670818040.1634: - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:20 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2501 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM login[18489]: FAILED LOGIN (5) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure

** Alert 1670818040.1924: - pam.syslog,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:20 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 5502 (level 3) -> "Login session closed."
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM login[18489]: pam_unix(login:session): session closed for user seed

** Alert 1670818040.2143: mail - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:20 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2502 (level 10) -> "User missed the password more than one time"
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM login[18489]: PAM 4 more authentication failures; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=/dev/pts/18 ruser= rhost=10.0.2.5 user=seed

** Alert 1670818040.2477: - pam.syslog,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:20 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 5503 (level 5) -> "User login failed."
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM login[18425]: pam_unix(login:auth): authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=/dev/pts/18 ruser= rhost=10.0.2.5 user=seed

** Alert 1670818050.2086: - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:30 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2501 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:17:30 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (3) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure

** Alert 1670818056.3096: - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:35 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2501 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:17:35 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure

** Alert 1670818066.3386: - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:40 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2501 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:17:40 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure

** Alert 1670818076.3676: - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:50 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2501 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:17:50 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (4) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure

** Alert 1670818086.3966: - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:18:00 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2501 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:18:00 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (5) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure

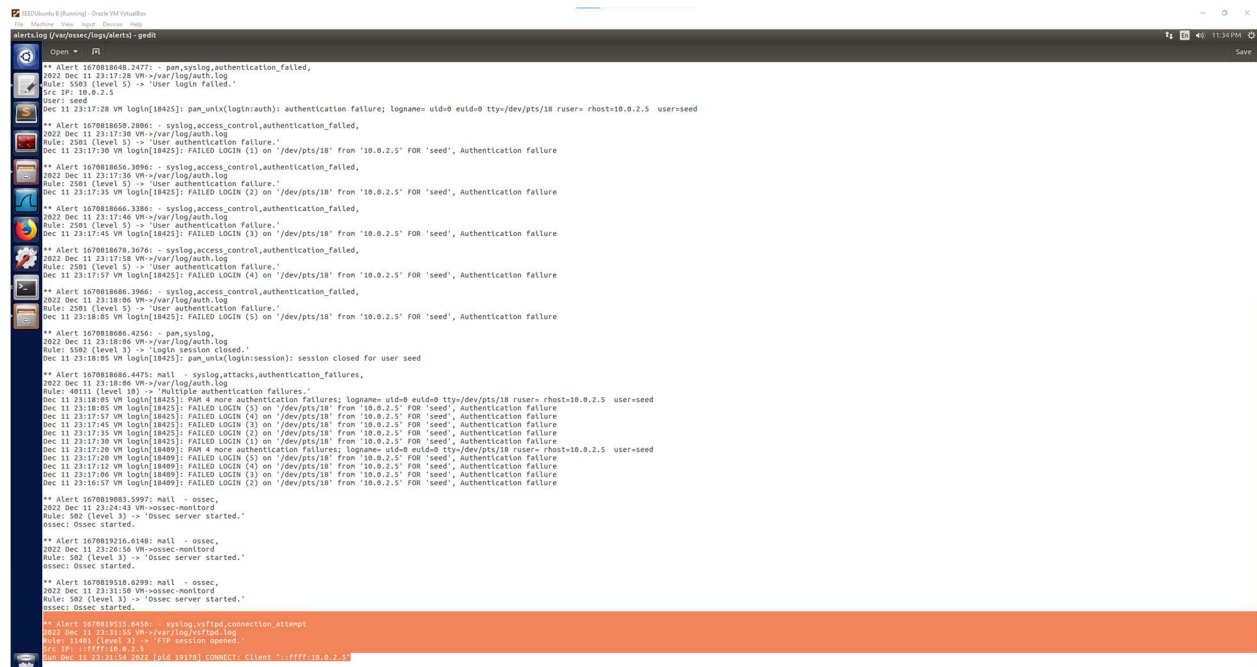
** Alert 1670818086.4256: - pam.syslog,
2022 Dec 11 23:18:00 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 5502 (level 3) -> "Login session closed."
Dec 11 23:18:00 VM login[18425]: pam_unix(login:session): session closed for user seed

** Alert 1670818090.4475: mail - syslog.access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:18:00 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 40111 (level 10) -> "Multiple authentication failures."
Dec 11 23:18:00 VM login[18425]: PAM 4 more authentication failures; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=/dev/pts/18 ruser= rhost=10.0.2.5 user=seed
Dec 11 23:18:00 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (3) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:57 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (4) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:45 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (5) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:35 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (3) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM login[18489]: PAM 4 more authentication failures; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=/dev/pts/18 ruser= rhost=10.0.2.5 user=seed
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM login[18489]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:12 VM login[18489]: FAILED LOGIN (4) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:00 VM login[18489]: FAILED LOGIN (5) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:16:50 VM login[18489]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on "/dev/pts/18" from "10.0.2.5" FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
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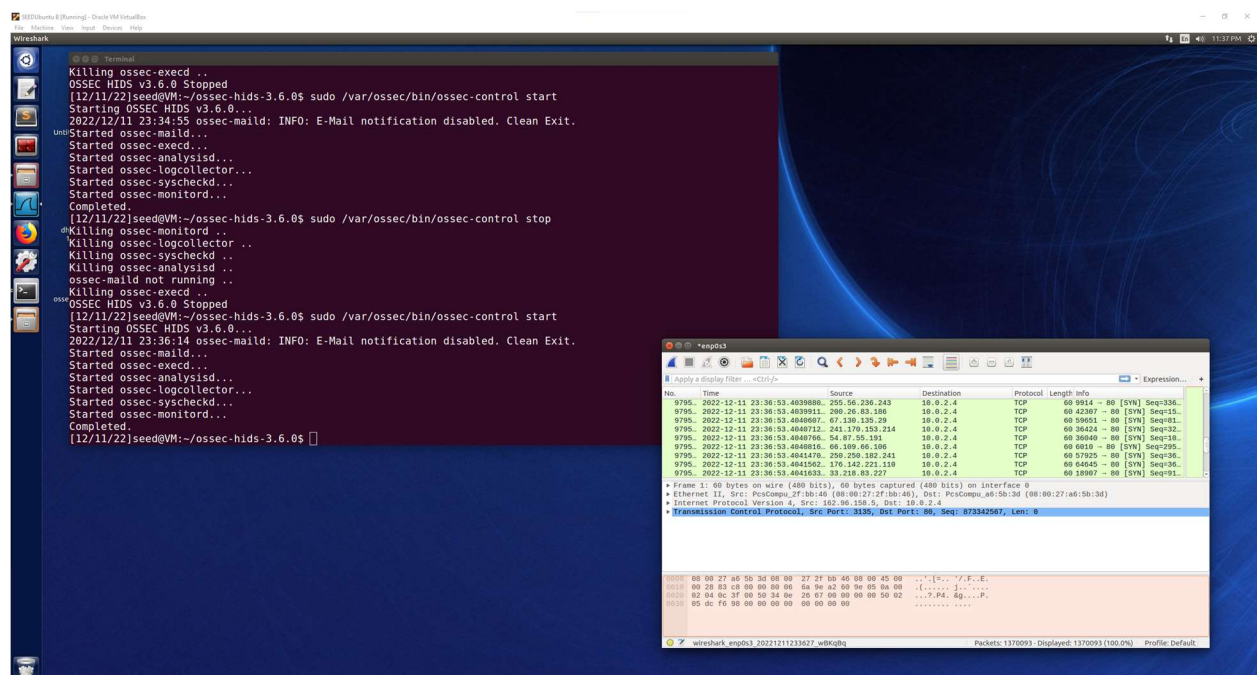
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Next was the nmap port scan while OSSEC was running. Looking at the log file there was a new addition of a level 3 alert Rule 11401 listed as a “FTP session opened”. The source IP is also shown here from the VM that ran the nmap scan on the OSSEC VM, from the logged information that is the only item that I can directly attribute to the port scanning attack is that the source of the attack was 10.0.2.5 and that it was a connection attempt.



```
alerts.log (/var/ossec/logs/alerts) - gedit
Open
** Alert 1670808608.2077: - pan_syslog,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:28 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 5080 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Src IP: 10.0.2.5
User: seed
Dec 11 23:17:28 VM login[18425]: pan_unix(login:auth): authentication failure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=/dev/pts/18 ruser= rhost=10.0.2.5 user=seed
** Alert 1670808650.2806: - syslog,access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:30 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2581 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:17:30 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (1) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
** Alert 1670808656.3096: - syslog,access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:30 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2581 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:17:30 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
** Alert 1670808666.3386: - syslog,access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:40 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2581 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:17:40 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (3) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
** Alert 1670808676.3676: - syslog,access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:45 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2581 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:17:45 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (4) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
** Alert 1670808686.3966: - syslog,access_control,authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:18:06 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2581 (level 5) -> "User authentication failure."
Dec 11 23:18:06 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (5) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
** Alert 1670808686.4256: - pan_syslog,
2022 Dec 11 23:18:06 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 5082 (level 3) -> "Login session closed."
Dec 11 23:18:05 VM login[18425]: pan_unix(login:session): session closed for user seed
** Alert 1670808686.4475: mail - ossec,
2022 Dec 11 23:18:06 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 4011 (level 10) -> "Multiple authentication failures."
Dec 11 23:18:05 VM login[18425]: PAN 4 more authentication failures; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=/dev/pts/18 ruser= rhost=10.0.2.5 user=seed
Dec 11 23:18:05 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (5) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:57 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (4) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:45 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (3) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:30 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:28 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (1) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:28 VM login[18425]: PAN 4 more authentication failures; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=/dev/pts/18 ruser= rhost=10.0.2.5 user=seed
Dec 11 23:17:28 VM login[18409]: FAILED LOGIN (5) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:28 VM login[18409]: FAILED LOGIN (4) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:06 VM login[18409]: FAILED LOGIN (3) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:16:57 VM login[18409]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
** Alert 1670808690.5097: mail - ossec,
2022 Dec 11 23:24:43 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 502 (level 3) -> "Ossec server started."
ossec: Ossec started.
** Alert 1670809216.6148: mail - ossec,
2022 Dec 11 23:28:56 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 502 (level 3) -> "Ossec server started."
ossec: Ossec started.
** Alert 1670809310.6299: mail - ossec,
2022 Dec 11 23:31:50 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 502 (level 3) -> "Ossec server started."
ossec: Ossec started.
** Alert 1670809315.6436: - syslog,vstftpd,connection_attempt,
2022 Dec 11 23:31:55 VM->/var/log/vstftpd.log
Rule: 3140 (level 5) -> "FTP session opened."
Src IP: 10.0.2.5
Dec 11 23:31:54 VM vstftpd (4329): connect: Client '10.0.2.5'
```

Next was the SYN Flood attack, to ensure that the attack was successful while OSSEC was running I also had Wireshark open as shown below to see that the SYN Flood attack was successful coming from spoofed IP address to port 80.



```
Wireshark
Terminal
Killing ossec-execd ..
OSSEC HIDS v3.6.0 Stopped
[12/11/22]seed@VM:~/ossec-hids-3.6.0$ sudo /var/ossec/bin/ossec-control start
Starting OSSEC HIDS v3.6.0...
2022/12/11 23:34:55 ossec-malid: INFO: E-Mail notification disabled. Clean Exit.
Started ossec-malid...
Started ossec-execd...
Started ossec-analysisd...
Started ossec-logcollector...
Started ossec-syscheckd...
Started ossec-monitord...
Completed.
[12/11/22]seed@VM:~/ossec-hids-3.6.0$ sudo /var/ossec/bin/ossec-control stop
Killing ossec-monitord ..
Killing ossec-logcollector ..
Killing ossec-syscheckd ..
Killing ossec-analysisd ..
ossec-malid not running ..
Killing ossec-execd ..
OSSEC HIDS v3.6.0 Stopped
[12/11/22]seed@VM:~/ossec-hids-3.6.0$ sudo /var/ossec/bin/ossec-control start
Starting OSSEC HIDS v3.6.0...
2022/12/11 23:36:14 ossec-malid: INFO: E-Mail notification disabled. Clean Exit.
Started ossec-malid...
Started ossec-execd...
Started ossec-analysisd...
Started ossec-logcollector...
Started ossec-syscheckd...
Started ossec-monitord...
Completed.
[12/11/22]seed@VM:~/ossec-hids-3.6.0$

No. Time Source Destination Protocol Length Info
9795, 2022-12-11 23:36:53.4039888, 255.56.236.243 10.0.2.4 TCP 60 9914 -> 80 [SYN] Seq=336...
9796, 2022-12-11 23:36:53.4039911, 208.26.83.186 10.0.2.4 TCP 60 42807 -> 80 [SYN] Seq=1...
9797, 2022-12-11 23:36:53.4040007, 67.130.135.29 10.0.2.4 TCP 60 59051 -> 80 [SYN] Seq=81...
9798, 2022-12-11 23:36:53.4040712, 241.176.151.714 10.0.2.4 TCP 60 36424 -> 80 [SYN] Seq=32...
9799, 2022-12-11 23:36:53.4040766, 54.87.55.181 10.0.2.4 TCP 60 36840 -> 80 [SYN] Seq=29...
9800, 2022-12-11 23:36:53.4040816, 60.189.66.306 10.0.2.4 TCP 60 6018 -> 80 [SYN] Seq=29...
9801, 2022-12-11 23:36:53.4041478, 250.250.182.241 10.0.2.4 TCP 60 57825 -> 80 [SYN] Seq=96...
9802, 2022-12-11 23:36:53.4041502, 176.142.221.119 10.0.2.4 TCP 60 48465 -> 80 [SYN] Seq=96...
9803, 2022-12-11 23:36:53.4041633, 33.218.83.227 10.0.2.4 TCP 60 18907 -> 80 [SYN] Seq=96...
```


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In the alerts.log file the only new entry that I found was that of a level 8 alert with Rule 5104 labeled as “Interface entered in promiscuous(sniffing) mode”. This alert I think would be attributed to the Wireshark program being opened and sniffing on enp0s3, which is a good bit of knowledge because the log would show if there was a sniffing program open on the user’s system that the user may not know about in the event that there was an undetected intrusion, and an attacker was using this system to sniff packets on the subnet. Other than that, there was no additional alert showing that a SYN Flood attack was taking place, which Wireshark confirms that the attack was successful. I found it interesting that the SYN Flood was not detected, but that the Wireshark sniffing on enp0s3 was alerted at a very high level.

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File Edit View Shell Search Help
Metasploit User/ossec/logs/alerts - pcap
Open File
Dec 11 23:17:35 VM Login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 Alert 1670818665.33861: syslog.access_control.authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:46 VM ~user/login/auth.log
Rule: 5661 (Level 5) -> 'User authentication failure.'
Dec 11 23:17:45 VM Login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (3) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
** Alert 1670818678.3676: syslog.access_control.authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:58 VM ~user/login/auth.log
Rule: 5661 (Level 5) -> 'User authentication failure.'
Dec 11 23:17:57 VM Login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (4) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
** Alert 1670818686.3966: syslog.access_control.authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:18:06 VM ~user/login/auth.log
Rule: 5661 (Level 5) -> 'User authentication failure.'
Dec 11 23:18:05 VM Login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (5) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
** Alert 1670818686.4256: pan_syslog,
2022 Dec 11 23:18:06 VM ~user/login/auth.log
Rule: 5862 (Level 3) -> 'Login session closed.'
Dec 11 23:18:05 VM Login[18425]: pan_unix(login:session): session closed for user seed
** Alert 1670818686.4475: null - syslog.attacks.authentication_failures,
2022 Dec 11 23:18:06 VM ~user/login/auth.log
Rule: 40111 (Level 10) -> 'Multiple authentication failures.'
Dec 11 23:18:05 VM Login[18425]: PAN 4 more authentication failures: logname=uid=0 tty=/dev/pts/18 ruser=rhost=10.0.2.5 user=seed
Dec 11 23:18:05 VM Login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (5) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:57 VM Login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:45 VM Login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (3) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:35 VM Login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:30 VM Login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (1) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM Login[18489]: PAN 4 more authentication failures: logname=uid=0 tty=/dev/pts/18 ruser=rhost=10.0.2.5 user=seed
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM Login[18489]: FAILED LOGIN (5) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:12 VM Login[18489]: FAILED LOGIN (4) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:17:06 VM Login[18489]: FAILED LOGIN (3) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
Dec 11 23:16:57 VM Login[18489]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication failure
** Alert 1670819083.5997: null - ossec,
2022 Dec 11 23:26:43 VM ~ossec-montord
Rule: 582 (Level 3) -> 'Ossec server started.'
ossec: Ossec started.
** Alert 1670819126.6148: null - ossec,
2022 Dec 11 23:26:56 VM ~ossec-montord
Rule: 582 (Level 3) -> 'Ossec server started.'
ossec: Ossec started.
** Alert 1670819510.6299: null - ossec,
2022 Dec 11 23:31:56 VM ~ossec-montord
Rule: 582 (Level 3) -> 'Ossec server started.'
ossec: Ossec started.
** Alert 1670819515.6456: syslog.vfpd.connection_attempt
2022 Dec 11 23:31:55 VM ~user/login/ncfdd.log
Rule: 11480 (Level 3) -> 'FTP session opened.'
File ID: :ffff:10.0.2.5
Sun Dec 11 23:31:54 2022 [pid 19178] CONNECT: Client ":ffff:10.0.2.5"
** Alert 1670819706.6099: null - ossec,
2022 Dec 11 23:32:06 VM ~ossec-montord
Rule: 582 (Level 3) -> 'Ossec server started.'
ossec: Ossec started.
** Alert 1670819785.6850: null - ossec,
2022 Dec 11 23:36:25 VM ~ossec-montord
Rule: 582 (Level 3) -> 'Ossec server started.'
ossec: Ossec started.
** Alert 1670819788.7061: syslog.linuxkernel.promisc,
2022 Dec 11 23:36:28 VM ~user/login/auth.log
Rule: 5186 (Level 9) -> 'Interface entered in promiscuous(sniffing) mode.'
Dec 11 23:36:27 on kernel: 16642-715518 device ethp1 entered promiscuous mode

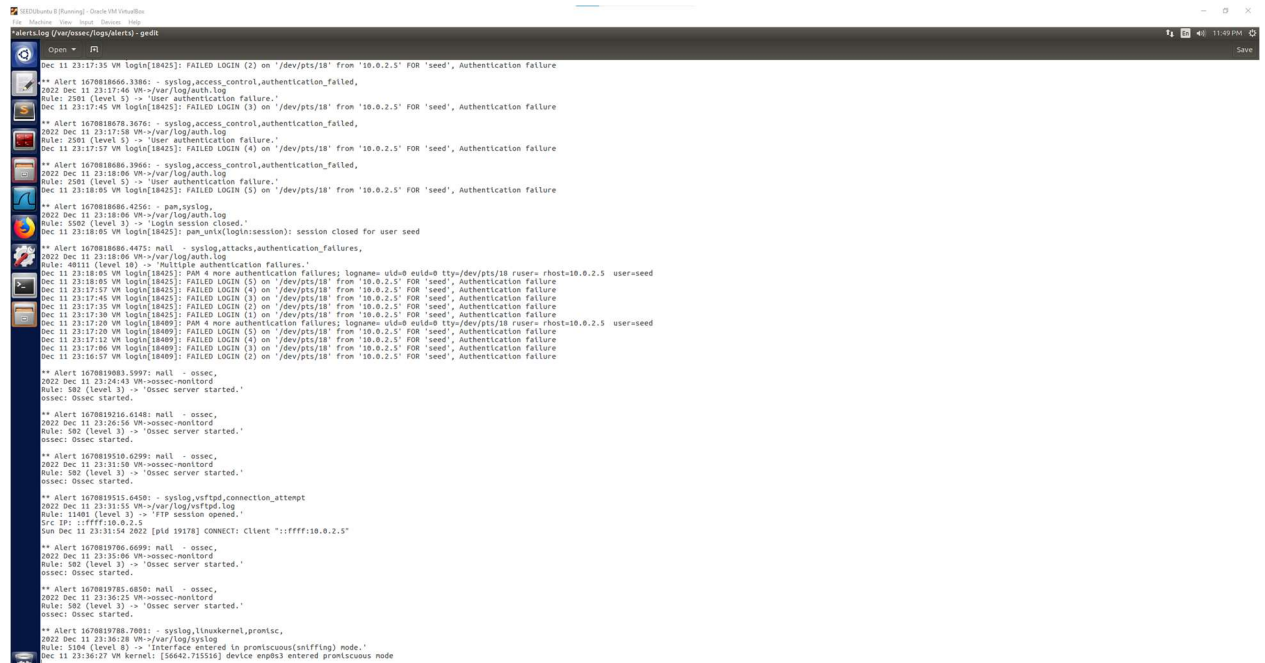
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The third attack was a TCP reset attack on the OSSEC VM's telnet connection to 10.0.2.7, as seen below the attack was successful in closing the OSSEC VM's telnet connection.

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It appears that this attack, although successful was also not captured as an alert by OSSEC. There are no new alerts located in the log since the Wireshark alert. I think that it is possible that this could be considered lower than a 3 in severity which would cause this type of attack to not be logged with the current configurations of OSSEC on this VM. TCP Reset closed the telnet connection of the victim to the server but did not inflict an attack like a denial of service, the user would be able to telnet again into the server unless a TCP Reset attack was still taking place. The TCP Reset attack was successful as seen above, but it is not located in the log. The image below shows that there are no new logged alert entries.

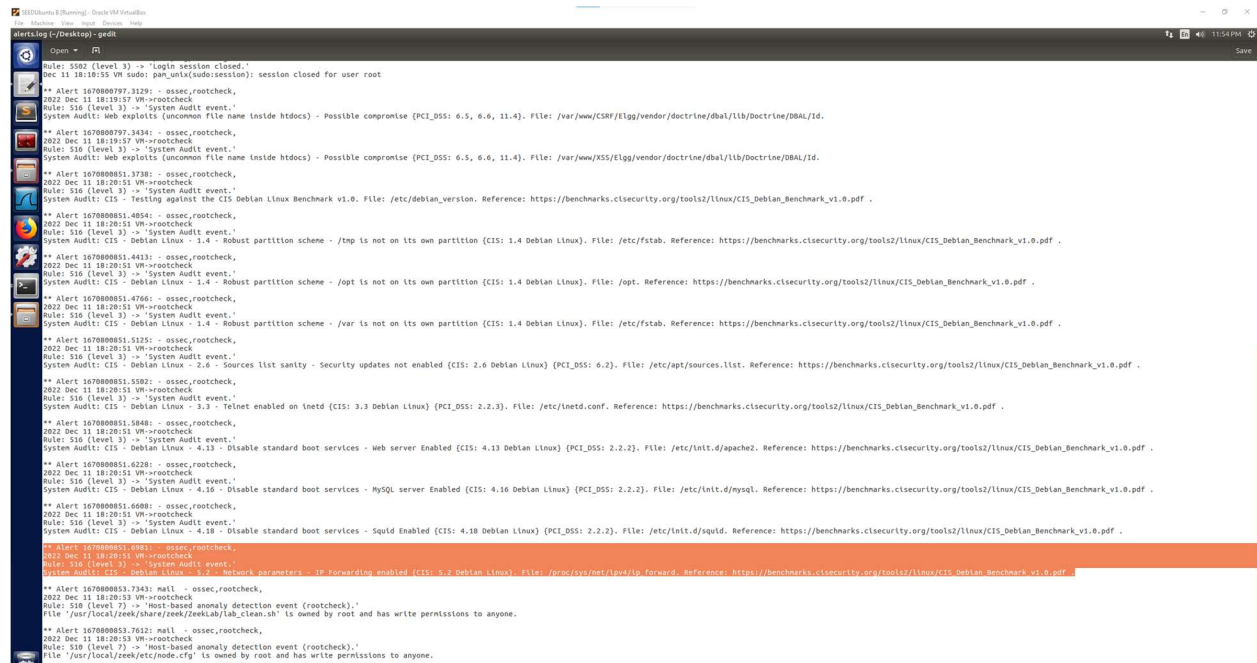


```
alerts.log (View/Parse/Log/Alerts) - genl
Open = [x]
Dec 11 23:17:35 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication Failure
** Alert 1670818606.3386: - syslog.access_control.authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:46 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2581 (Level 3) -> 'User authentication failure.'
Dec 11 23:17:45 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (3) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication Failure
** Alert 1670818678.3676: - syslog.access_control.authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:17:58 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2581 (Level 3) -> 'User authentication failure.'
Dec 11 23:17:57 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (4) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication Failure
** Alert 1670818686.3966: - syslog.access_control.authentication_failed,
2022 Dec 11 23:18:06 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 2581 (Level 3) -> 'User authentication failure.'
Dec 11 23:18:05 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication Failure
** Alert 1670818686.4256: - pam.syslog,
2022 Dec 11 23:18:06 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 5002 (Level 3) -> 'Login session closed.'
Dec 11 23:18:05 VM login[18425]: pam_unix(login:session): session closed for user seed
** Alert 1670818686.4475: mail - syslog.attacks.authentication_failures,
2022 Dec 11 23:18:06 VM->/var/log/auth.log
Rule: 48111 (Level 18) -> 'Multiple authentication failures.'
Dec 11 23:18:05 VM login[18425]: PAM 4 more authentication failures; logname=uid=0 tty=/dev/pts/18 ruser=rhost=10.0.2.5 user=seed
Dec 11 23:18:05 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (5) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication Failure
Dec 11 23:17:57 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (4) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication Failure
Dec 11 23:17:45 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (3) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication Failure
Dec 11 23:17:35 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication Failure
Dec 11 23:17:30 VM login[18425]: FAILED LOGIN (1) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication Failure
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM login[18409]: PAM 4 more authentication failures; logname=uid=0 tty=/dev/pts/18 ruser=rhost=10.0.2.5 user=seed
Dec 11 23:17:20 VM login[18409]: FAILED LOGIN (5) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication Failure
Dec 11 23:17:12 VM login[18409]: FAILED LOGIN (4) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication Failure
Dec 11 23:17:00 VM login[18409]: FAILED LOGIN (3) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication Failure
Dec 11 23:16:57 VM login[18409]: FAILED LOGIN (2) on '/dev/pts/18' from '10.0.2.5' FOR 'seed', Authentication Failure
** Alert 1670819083.5997: mail - ossec,
2022 Dec 11 23:24:43 VM-osssec-montford
Rule: 582 (Level 3) -> 'Ossec server started.'
ossec: Ossec started.
** Alert 1670819216.6148: mail - ossec,
2022 Dec 11 23:26:56 VM-osssec-montford
Rule: 582 (Level 3) -> 'Ossec server started.'
ossec: Ossec started.
** Alert 1670819510.6299: mail - ossec,
2022 Dec 11 23:31:58 VM-osssec-montford
Rule: 582 (Level 3) -> 'Ossec server started.'
ossec: Ossec started.
** Alert 1670819511.6450: - syslog.vsftpd.connection_attempt,
2022 Dec 11 23:31:55 VM->/var/log/vsftpd.log
Rule: 14401 (Level 8) -> 'FTP session opened.'
Src IP: ::ffff:10.0.2.5
Sun Dec 11 23:31:54 2022 [pid 19178] CONNECT: Client "::ffff:10.0.2.5"
** Alert 1670819790.6099: mail - ossec,
2022 Dec 11 23:35:06 VM-osssec-montford
Rule: 582 (Level 3) -> 'Ossec server started.'
ossec: Ossec started.
** Alert 1670819793.6850: mail - ossec,
2022 Dec 11 23:36:25 VM-osssec-montford
Rule: 582 (Level 3) -> 'Ossec server started.'
ossec: Ossec started.
** Alert 1670819798.7801: - syslog.linuxkernel.promisc,
2022 Dec 11 23:36:28 VM->/var/log/vslog
Rule: 5184 (Level 8) -> 'Interface entered in promiscuous(sniffing) mode.'
Dec 11 23:36:27 VM kernel: [56642.73556] device enp0s3 entered promiscuous mode
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I had left OSSEC running previously while I was at my indoor soccer game and wanted to point out something interesting I had found in the alerts.log file that does not attribute to the attacks or browsing, but that was interesting. There were a series of Rule 516 alerts labeled as “System Audit event”. These pertained to the rootcheck part of OSSEC which I remembered seeing during the setup video as being included in our local installation of OSSEC on this VM. There were a variety of system audit categories shown such as Web exploits with possible compromises, Robust partition schemes with directories not being on its own partition and Disable standard boot services. In the image below there is also a highlighted alert that shows that IP Forwarding is enabled which would trace back to a previous lab where for purposes of testing we had enabled IP forwarding and OSSEC was able to determine that it was still enabled and could be a possible vulnerability leading to abnormal events.



```
alerts.log (/Desktop) - gedit
Rule: 516 (level 3) -> "Login session closed."
Dec 11 18:19:51 VM sudo: pam_unix(sudo:session): session closed for user root

** Alert 1670808797.3129: - ossec.rootcheck,
2022 Dec 11 18:19:57 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 516 (level 3) -> "System Audit event."
System Audit: Web exploits (uncommon file name inside htdocs) - Possible compromise [PCI_DSS: 6.5, 6.6, 11.4]. File: /var/www/CSRF/Egg/vendor/doctrine/dbal/lib/Doctrine/DBAL/Id.

** Alert 1670808797.3434: - ossec.rootcheck,
2022 Dec 11 18:19:57 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 516 (level 3) -> "System Audit event."
System Audit: Web exploits (uncommon file name inside htdocs) - Possible compromise [PCI_DSS: 6.5, 6.6, 11.4]. File: /var/www/XSS/Egg/vendor/doctrine/dbal/lib/Doctrine/DBAL/Id.

** Alert 1670808851.3730: - ossec.rootcheck,
2022 Dec 11 18:20:51 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 516 (level 3) -> "System Audit event."
System Audit: CIS - Testing against the CIS Debian Linux Benchmark v1.0. File: /etc/debian_version. Reference: https://benchmarks.cisecurity.org/tools2/linux/CIS_Debian_Benchmark_v1.0.pdf .

** Alert 1670808851.4054: - ossec.rootcheck,
2022 Dec 11 18:20:51 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 516 (level 3) -> "System Audit event."
System Audit: CIS - Debian Linux - 1.4 - Robust partition scheme - /tmp is not on its own partition [CIS: 1.4 Debian Linux]. File: /etc/fstab. Reference: https://benchmarks.cisecurity.org/tools2/linux/CIS_Debian_Benchmark_v1.0.pdf .

** Alert 1670808851.4433: - ossec.rootcheck,
2022 Dec 11 18:20:51 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 516 (level 3) -> "System Audit event."
System Audit: CIS - Debian Linux - 1.4 - Robust partition scheme - /opt is not on its own partition [CIS: 1.4 Debian Linux]. File: /opt. Reference: https://benchmarks.cisecurity.org/tools2/linux/CIS_Debian_Benchmark_v1.0.pdf .

** Alert 1670808851.4766: - ossec.rootcheck,
2022 Dec 11 18:20:51 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 516 (level 3) -> "System Audit event."
System Audit: CIS - Debian Linux - 1.4 - Robust partition scheme - /var is not on its own partition [CIS: 1.4 Debian Linux]. File: /etc/fstab. Reference: https://benchmarks.cisecurity.org/tools2/linux/CIS_Debian_Benchmark_v1.0.pdf .

** Alert 1670808851.5125: - ossec.rootcheck,
2022 Dec 11 18:20:51 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 516 (level 3) -> "System Audit event."
System Audit: CIS - Debian Linux - 2.6 - Sources list sanity - Security updates not enabled [CIS: 2.6 Debian Linux] [PCI_DSS: 6.2]. File: /etc/apt/sources.list. Reference: https://benchmarks.cisecurity.org/tools2/linux/CIS_Debian_Benchmark_v1.0.pdf .

** Alert 1670808851.5502: - ossec.rootcheck,
2022 Dec 11 18:20:51 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 516 (level 3) -> "System Audit event."
System Audit: CIS - Debian Linux - 3.3 - Telnet enabled on inetd [CIS: 3.3 Debian Linux] [PCI_DSS: 2.2.3]. File: /etc/inetd.conf. Reference: https://benchmarks.cisecurity.org/tools2/linux/CIS_Debian_Benchmark_v1.0.pdf .

** Alert 1670808851.5848: - ossec.rootcheck,
2022 Dec 11 18:20:51 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 516 (level 3) -> "System Audit event."
System Audit: CIS - Debian Linux - 4.13 - Disable standard boot services - Web server Enabled [CIS: 4.13 Debian Linux] [PCI_DSS: 2.2.2]. File: /etc/init.d/apache2. Reference: https://benchmarks.cisecurity.org/tools2/linux/CIS_Debian_Benchmark_v1.0.pdf .

** Alert 1670808851.6020: - ossec.rootcheck,
2022 Dec 11 18:20:51 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 516 (level 3) -> "System Audit event."
System Audit: CIS - Debian Linux - 4.16 - Disable standard boot services - MySQL server Enabled [CIS: 4.16 Debian Linux] [PCI_DSS: 2.2.2]. File: /etc/init.d/mysql. Reference: https://benchmarks.cisecurity.org/tools2/linux/CIS_Debian_Benchmark_v1.0.pdf .

** Alert 1670808851.6080: - ossec.rootcheck,
2022 Dec 11 18:20:51 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 516 (level 3) -> "System Audit event."
System Audit: CIS - Debian Linux - 4.18 - Disable standard boot services - Squid Enabled [CIS: 4.18 Debian Linux] [PCI_DSS: 2.2.2]. File: /etc/init.d/squid. Reference: https://benchmarks.cisecurity.org/tools2/linux/CIS_Debian_Benchmark_v1.0.pdf .

** Alert 1670808851.6981: - ossec.rootcheck,
2022 Dec 11 18:20:51 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 516 (level 3) -> "System Audit event."
System Audit: CIS - Debian Linux - 5.2 - Network parameters - IP Forwarding enabled [CIS: 5.2 Debian Linux]. File: /proc/sys/net/ipv4/ip_forward. Reference: https://benchmarks.cisecurity.org/tools2/linux/CIS_Debian_Benchmark_v1.0.pdf .

** Alert 1670808853.7343: mail - ossec.rootcheck,
2022 Dec 11 18:20:53 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 516 (level 7) -> "Host-based anomaly detection event (rootcheck)."
File /usr/local/zeek/share/zeek/zeeklab/lab_clean.sh is owned by root and has write permissions to anyone.

** Alert 1670808853.7612: mail - ossec.rootcheck,
2022 Dec 11 18:20:53 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 516 (level 7) -> "Host-based anomaly detection event (rootcheck)."
File /usr/local/zeek/etc/node.cfg is owned by root and has write permissions to anyone.
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Also at the bottom of the above image there were two Rule 510 alerts labeled as “Host-based anomaly detection event” that pertained to two files in the zeek folder that is owned by root and has write permissions to anyone which OSSEC determined to be an anomaly and alerted it at a level 7.



```
OSSEC UTM-1: 2022/12/11 18:20:53 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 510 (level 7) -> "Host-based anomaly detection event (rootcheck)."
System Audit: CIS - Debian Linux - 4.18 - Disable standard boot services - Squid Enabled [CIS: 4.18 Debian Linux] [PCI_DSS: 2.2.2]. File: /etc/init.d/squid. Reference: https://benchmarks.cisecurity.org/tools2/linux/CIS_Debian_Benchmark_v1.0.pdf .

** Alert 1670808853.6981: - ossec.rootcheck,
2022 Dec 11 18:20:51 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 516 (level 3) -> "System Audit event."
System Audit: CIS - Debian Linux - 5.2 - Network parameters - IP Forwarding enabled [CIS: 5.2 Debian Linux]. File: /proc/sys/net/ipv4/ip_forward. Reference: https://benchmarks.cisecurity.org/tools2/linux/CIS_Debian_Benchmark_v1.0.pdf .

** Alert 1670808853.7343: mail - ossec.rootcheck,
2022 Dec 11 18:20:53 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 510 (level 7) -> "Host-based anomaly detection event (rootcheck)."
File /usr/local/zeek/share/zeek/zeeklab/lab_clean.sh is owned by root and has write permissions to anyone.

** Alert 1670808853.7612: mail - ossec.rootcheck,
2022 Dec 11 18:20:53 VM->rootcheck
Rule: 510 (level 7) -> "Host-based anomaly detection event (rootcheck)."
File /usr/local/zeek/etc/node.cfg is owned by root and has write permissions to anyone.
```


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My takeaway from this lab with OSSEC is that OSSEC was able to provide a lot of information especially on the brute password attempts in a clean log setup. However, I was surprised that an attack such as a SYN Flood attack was not logged in the alerts.log file which could be due to a user error if it should've been logged but I was able to determine that OSSEC was running, and that the SYN Flood attack was successful through the use of Wireshark. This also led to a new discovery that Wireshark sniffing packets was detected and alerted through OSSEC which has its own use to know that a sniffing program was running. It was also interesting to see what the rootcheck part of OSSEC had detected and alerted about such as the IP Forwarding still being enabled on this VM and highlighting that as a possible vulnerability. I think that it would be interesting to learn more about the capabilities of OSSEC such as what level would be associated with specific more severe attacks and if OSSEC would be able to detect and log them.