





SIEM, SOAR, EDR, CIRT, YARA

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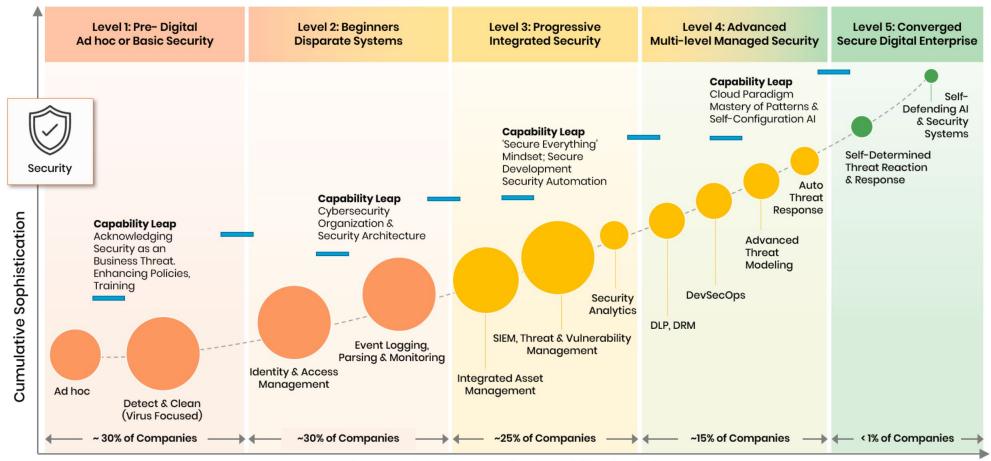
Agenda

- Digital Enterprise Security Level
- SIEM
- SOAR
- DER
- Velociraptor
- YARA
- CSIRT / CIRT



Evolution

Digital Enterprise Evolution Model™ - Cybersecurity Capability

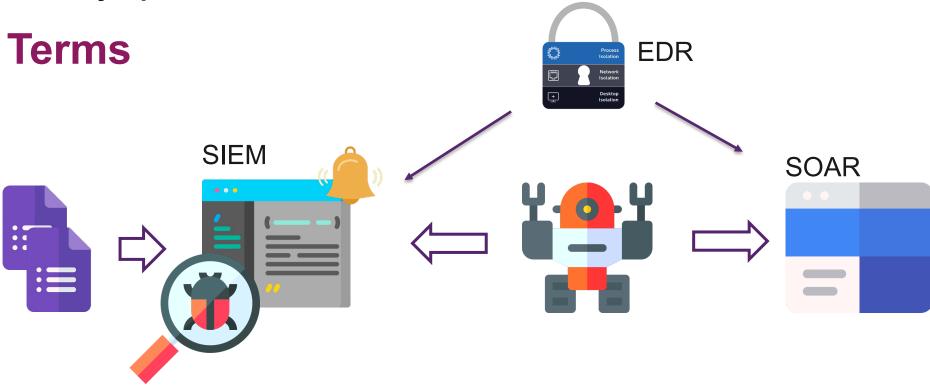


Stages of Cyber Security Capability Evolution

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Security Operation Center Lab



SIEM SOAR EDR Security Information and Event Management Security Orchestration, Automation and Response Solutions Endpoint Protection and Response



Explanation of terms

SIEM

Security Information and Event Management solutions are responsible for collecting log and event data from various sources such as network, servers and applications and aggregating, identifying, categorizing and analyzing it in real time.

With a SIEM solution, security problems should be detected automatically as well as the ability to send an alert

- Enables pattern search in log data for indicators of a cyberattack (IOC)
- Enables correlation of event information and identifies abnormal activity
- Alerts according to defined alert rules



Explanation of terms

SIEM

For the seventh consecutive year, Splunk has been ranked by Gartner as a leader in the 2021 Magic Quadrant for Security Information and Event Management (SIEM).



Figure 1. Magic Quadrant for Security Information and Event Management



Source: Gartner (February 2020)



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SOAR

SOAR also collects data from various sources similar to a SIEM, but SOAR supports the incident responder in managing the crisis. SOAR enables **automated** intervention when a security incident occurs. A SOAR system also supports the incident responder in rolling out security countermeasures (Active Directory).

- Alert Investigation
- Orchestration
- Automation workflow





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EDR

Endpoint detection and response (EDR), also known as endpoint threat detection and response (ETDR), is an integrated endpoint security solution that combines real-time continuous monitoring and collection of **endpoint data** with rules-based automated response and analysis capabilities

May 11, 2021

Gartner names Microsoft a Leader in the 2021 Endpoint Protection Platforms Magic Quadrant

Rob Lefferts Corporate Vice President, Microsoft 365 Security

Figure 1: Magic Quadrant for Endpoint Protection Platforms



Source: Gartner (May 2021)



Velociraptor
SOAR approach



Velociraptor Use-Case

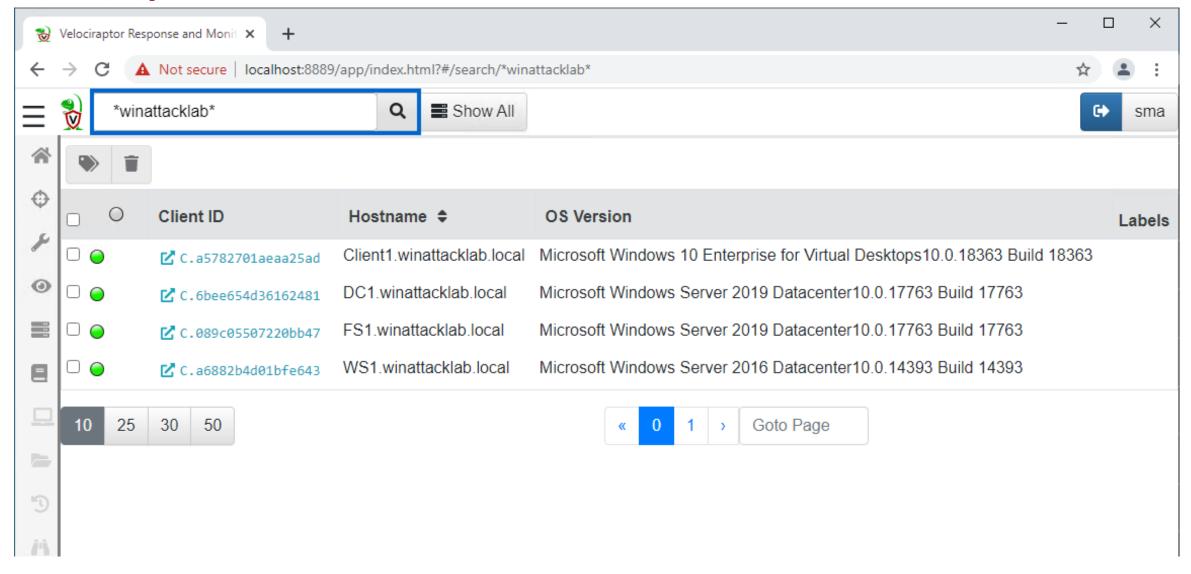
A powerful DFIR technique is searching bulk data for patterns

- Searching for CC data in process memory
- Searching for URLs in process memory
- Searching binaries for malware signatures
- Searching registry for patterns

Bulk searching helps to identify evidence without needing to parse file formats

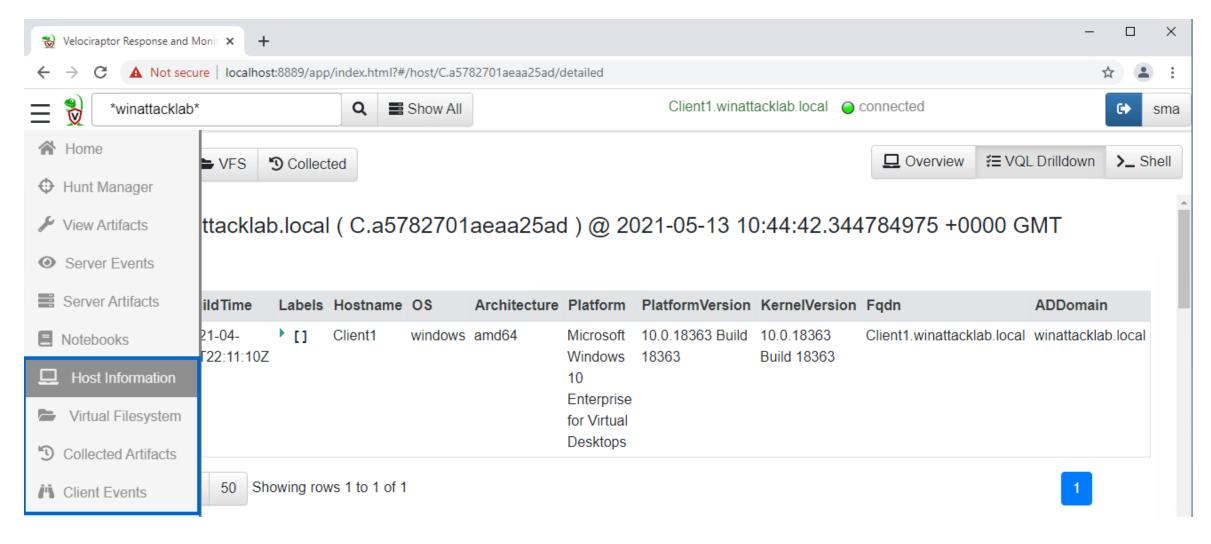


Velociraptor Console: Search for Hosts





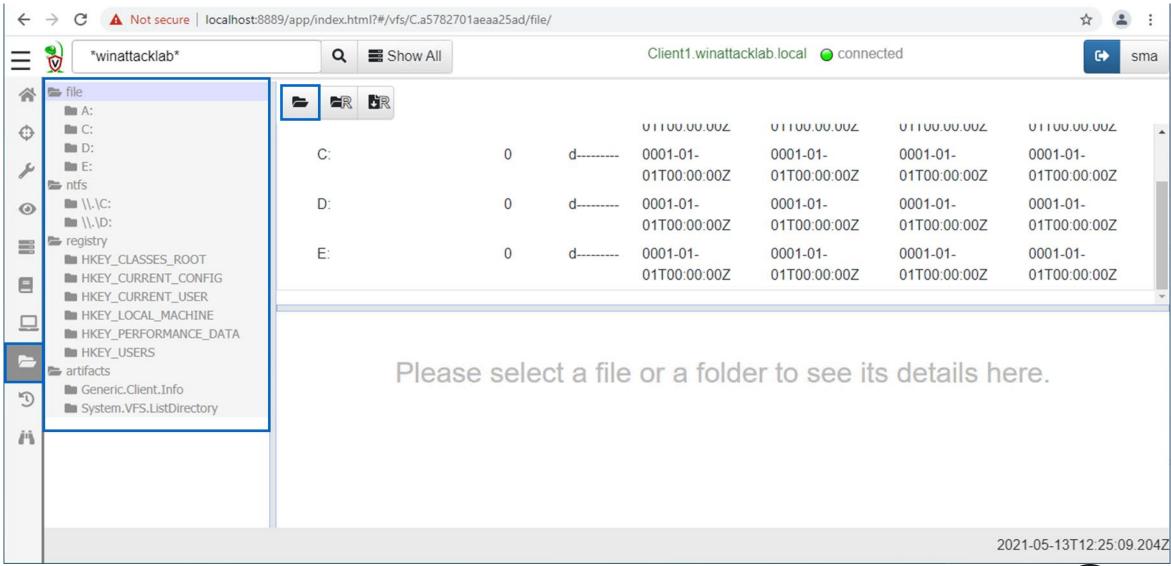
Velociraptor Console: Access to connected Client







Velociraptor Console: Access Virtual File System of Client





Velociraptor & YARA

- YARA is a powerful keyword scanner
- Uses rules designed to identify binary patterns in bulk data
- YARA is optimized to scan for many rules simultaneously.
- Velociraptor supports YARA scanning of bulk data (via accessors) and memory.

yara() and proc yara()





YARA



The pattern matching swiss knife for malware researchers (and everyone else)

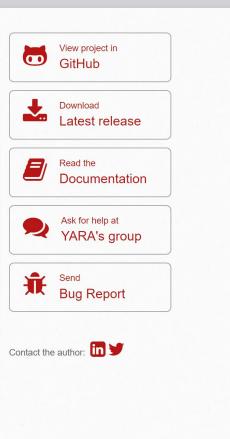
{} YARA in a nutshell

YARA is a tool aimed at (but not limited to) helping malware researchers to identify and classify malware samples. With YARA you can create descriptions of malware families (or whatever you want to describe) based on textual or binary patterns. Each description, a.k.a rule, consists of a set of strings and a boolean expression which determine its logic. Let's see an example:

```
rule silent_banker : banker
{
    meta:
        description = "This is just an example"
        threat_level = 3
        in_the_wild = true

strings:
    $a = {6A 40 68 00 30 00 00 6A 14 8D 91}
    $b = {8D 4D 80 2B C1 83 C0 27 99 6A 4E 59 F7 F9}
    $c = "UVODFRYSIHLNWPEJXQZAKCBGMT"

condition:
    $a or $b or $c
}
```





YARA example: Drive-by attack (analyzed using Velociraptor)

You suspect a user was compromised by a drive by download (i.e. they clicked and downloaded malware delivered by mail, ads etc).

You think the user used the **Edge** browser but you have no idea of the internal structure of the browser cache/history etc.

Write an artifact to extract potential URLs from the Edge browser directory (also where is it?)



Step 1: Figure out where to look

```
×
 1 LET edge = SELECT Pid FROM pslist()
 2 WHERE Name =~ "Edge"
 3
   LIMIT 2
 4
   SELECT * FROM foreach(row=edge,
       query = {
 6
        SELECT * FROM handles(pid=Pid)
        WHERE Type = 'File' AND Name =~ "User"
 8
 9
        LIMIT 500
10
```



Looks like somewhere in C:\Users\<name>\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Edge**

B Show 10 ➤ entries								
Pid A	Type ♦	Name						
9276	File	\Device\HarddiskVolume4\Users\test\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Edge\User Data\BrowserMetrics\BrowserMetrics-5EBCA82E-243C.pma						
9276	File	\Device\HarddiskVolume4\Users\test\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Edge\User Data\SmartScreen\local\cache						
9276	File	\Device\HarddiskVolume4\Users\test\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Edge\User Data\SmartScreen\local\download_cache						
9276	File	\Device\HarddiskVolume4\Users\test\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Edge\User Data\ShaderCache\GPUCache\index						
9276	File	\Device\HarddiskVolume4\Users\test\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Edge\User Data\ShaderCache\GPUCache\data_2						
9276	File	\Device\HarddiskVolume4\Users\test\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Edge\User Data\ShaderCache\GPUCache\data_2						
9276	File	\Device\HarddiskVolume4\Users\test\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Edge\User Data\Default\Visited Links						



Step 2: Recover URLs

We don't exactly understand how Edge stores data but we know roughly what a URL is supposed to look like!

Yara is our sledgehammer!

```
rule URL {
  strings: $a = /https?:\\/\\/[a-z0-9\\/+&#:\\?.-]+/i
  condition: any of them
}
```



Step 3: Let's do this!

```
×
 1 LET Globs = 'C:/Users/*/AppData/Local/Microsoft/Edge/**'
    LET YaraRule = "rule URL {
        strings: $a = /https?:\\/\\/[a-z0-9\\/+&#:\\?.-]+/i
        condition: any of them
 6
   SELECT * FROM foreach(row={
       SELECT FullPath FROM glob(globs=Globs)
   }, query={
       SELECT str(str=String.Data) AS Hit,
10
              String.Offset AS Offset,
11
              FileName FROM yara(files=FullPath, rules=YaraRule)
12
13
14 LIMIT 100
```

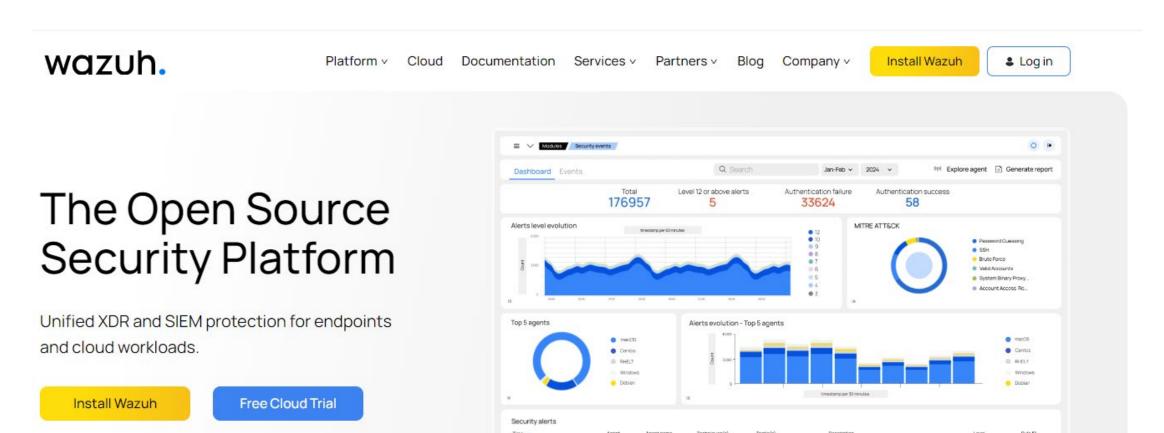


Step 3: Results

B A Show 10 ➤ entries		Search:			
Hit	•	Offset 🏺	FileName		
https://assets.msn.com/bundles/v1/edgeChromium/latest/10.4d61ec8d15ed1bd48876.js	;	24	C:\Users\test\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Edge\User Data\Default\Service Worker\CacheStorage\3cedfb74d44f2e84198d23075aef16c34a668ceb\8436d9ca-9c01-4a31-9c3e-96fd6e6f5a9f\5d4c8d6643ca68f7_0		
https://assets.msn.com/bundles/v1/edgeChromium/latest/10.4d61ec8d15ed1bd48876.js		24	C:\Users\test\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Edge\User Data\Default\Service Worker\CacheStorage\3cedfb74d44f2e84198d23075aef16c34a668ceb\8436d9ca9c01-4a31-9c3e-96fd6e6f5a9f\5d4c8d6643ca68f7_1		
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			C:\Users\test\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Edge\User Data\Default\Service		



Wazuh Open Source SIEM





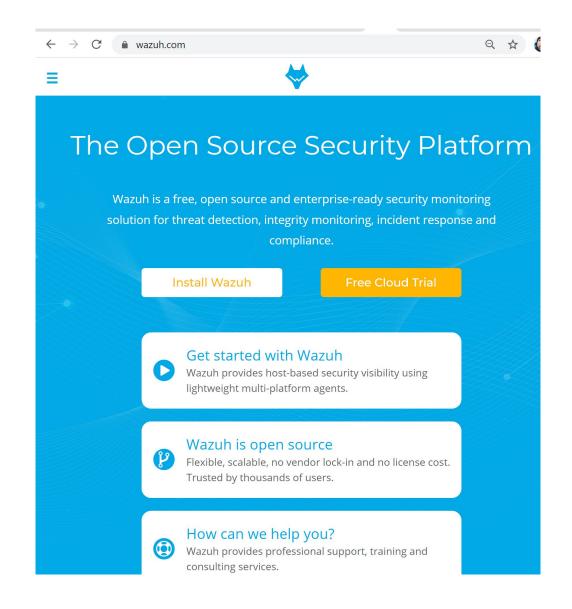
Signed Script Praxy Execution: C:\\Windows...

Defense Evasion

Wazuh

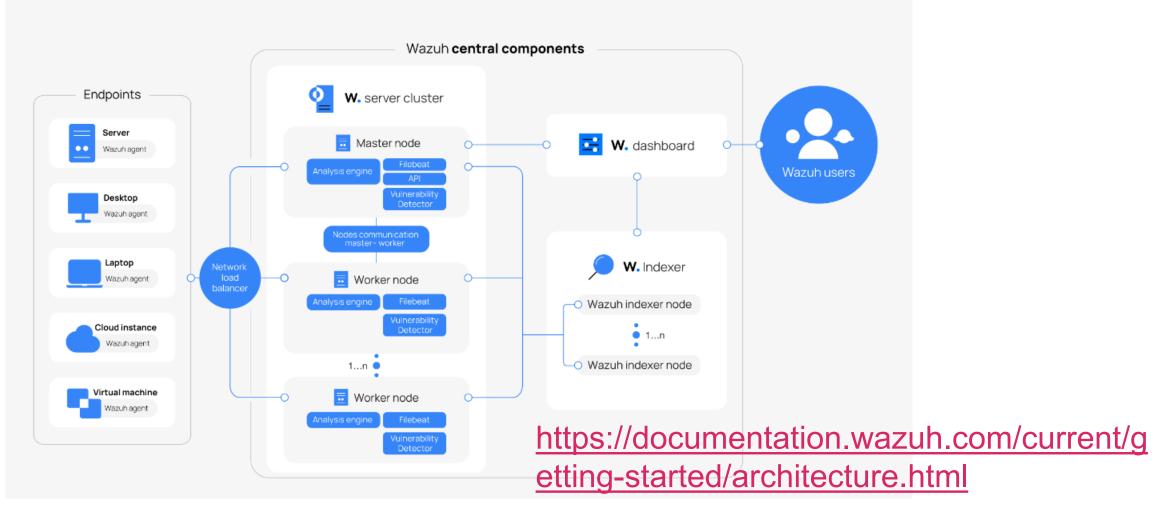
Wazuh is an open source security platform that focuses on infrastructure monitoring, security risk detection and incident response in the sense of a SIEM and EDR (Endpoint Detection & Response).

The so-called **Wazuh agent** is installed on the machines to be monitored and communicates with the **Wazuh manager**, which is installed on a server. To ensure that the data is clearly represented, it is further sent to components of Elastic Stack and displayed in a dashboard using Kibana. Translated with www.DeepL.com/Translator (free version)



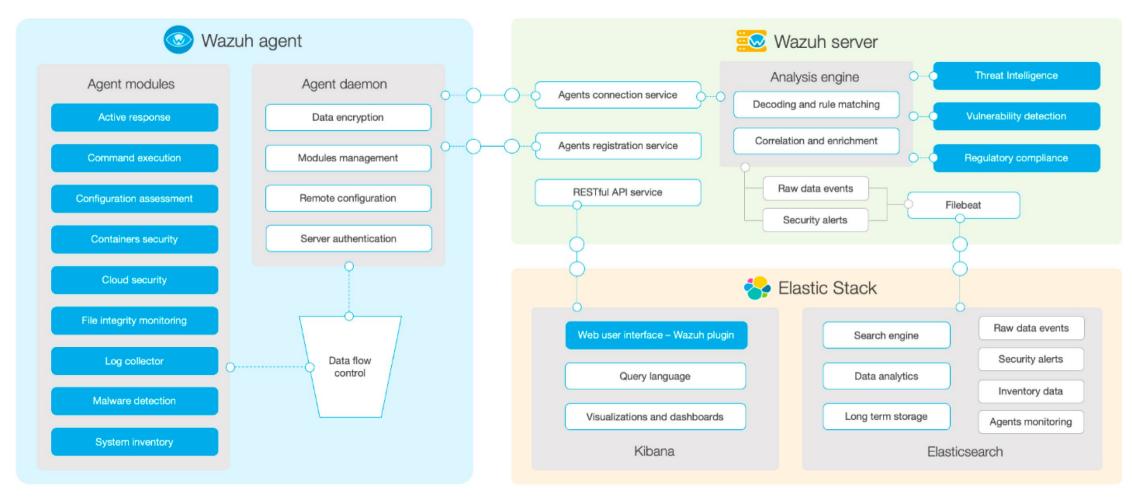


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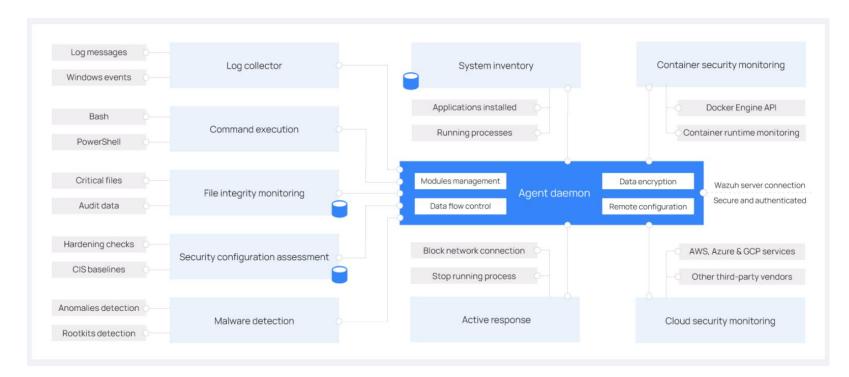


Wazuh Architektur





Wazuh Agent



- Agent Functionality
 - Integrity Monitoring
 - Log Collection
 - Open-SCAP
 - Configuration Assessment
 - Inventory
 - Docker Monitoring
 - Cloud Monitoring

https://documentation.wazuh.com/current/getting-started/components/wazuh-agent.html



CIRT / CSIRT





CSIRT in Europe Map 2021



CSIRT in CH List 2021 (582 Entries for Europe)

GovCERT.ch	CIIP, Government, National	Not member	Accredited	Member	govcert.admin
NesCERT	Commercial Organisation	Not member	Not listed	Member	nestle.com/
NestleSOC	Commercial Organisation	Not member	Not listed	Member	nestle.com/
RIC-CSIRT	Commercial Organisation	Not member	Listed	Member	csirt.richemont
CERT-Post	Commercial Organisation, Financial	Not member	Accredited	Member	post.ch
OS-CERT	Commercial Organisation, Service Provider Customer Base	Not member	Accredited	Member	open.ch/
UBS CIFI	Financial	Not member	Not listed	Member	ubs.com
VTCERT	Financial	Not member	Re-Listing Pending	Not member	vontobel.ch
SWITCH-CERT	Financial, NREN, National	Not member	Certified	Member	switch.ch/cert/
NCSC.ch	Government	Not member	Not listed	Member	ncsc.admin.ch/
ISPIN-CERT	ICT vendor customer base	Not member	Not listed	Member	ispin.ch
PMI CERT	Industrial sector	Not member	Not listed	Member	pmi.com
CC-SEC	ISP Customer Base	Not member	Listed	Member	cablecom.ch/
KS-CERT	ISP Customer Base	Not member	Not listed	Member	Public website not available
Swisscom CSIRT	ISP Customer Base	Not member	Listed	Member	swisscom.ch/e
CERN CERT	NREN	Not member	Listed	Not member	cern.ch/security
ETHZ-NSG	NREN	Not member	Re-Certification Candidate	Not member	www1.ethz.ch/

Terminology

«CERT»: Computer Emergency Response Team

- Trademark
- Imprecise

«CSIRT»: Computer Emergency Security Incident Response Team

- More precise
- Free to use

However, the terms CERT and CSIRT are used synonymously in daily life.



Definition CSIRT

"A CSIRT is a team of IT security experts whose main business is to respond to computer security incidents. It provides the necessary services to handle them and support their constituents to recover from breaches."

-- ENISA



Incident Response: Industry Standard Processes

NIST

- 1. Preparation
- Detection and Analysis
- 3. Containment, Eradication, and Recovery
- 4. Post-Incident Activity

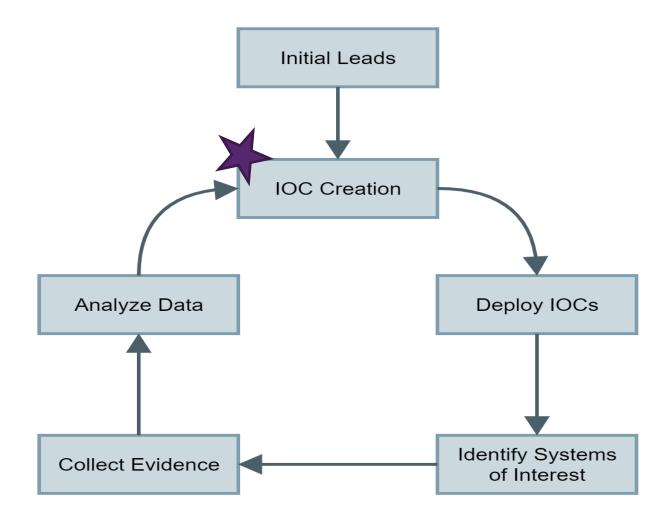


SANS

- 1. Preparation
- 2. Identification and Scoping
- **3.** Containment / Intelligence Development
- 4. Eradication / Remediation
- 5. Recovery
- 6. Lessons Learned / Threat Intel Consumption



Incident Response: Indicator of Compromize (IOC)





Incident Response: Indices of Compromize (IOC)

IOC Creation

Indicators of Compromise (IOCs) define characteristics of an incident in a **structured manner**. They have the goal to describe, communicate and find artifacts related to incidents.

Format

- Host-based IOC formats (no formerly accepted standard yet):
 - YARA http://virustotal.github.io/yara/
 - STIX, TAXII https://oasis-open.github.io/cti-documentation/ (formerly Mitre's CybOX)
 - Mandiant's OpenIOC https://github.com/mandiant/OpenIOC 1.1, www.openioc.org
- Network-based IOC formats:
 - Snort rules https://www.snort.org/rules explanation

