SECURITY CONTROLS

Prevent security events, minimize the impact, and limit the damage.

1) Technical controls (logical) ——→ implemented using systems/computer/technology } encryption, IDSs, Firewall

2) Managerial controls (administrative)
- → admin controls associated with security design and implementation
- → Security policies, standard operating procedures (day to day processes)
- → Policy, Risk Assessment, awareness training

} focused on reducing the risk of security incidents

3) Operational control (day-to-day procedure) by people instead of systems: security guards, awareness programs

4) Physical control: limit physical access: guard shack, fences, locks, badge readers.

↳ operational = Configuration Management, System Backups, Patch Management, User Access Management, Incident Respond Procedures.

(physical = material Asset.)

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1) Preventive: encryption, Firewalls, AV software

2) Deterrent: Warning signs, lighting, fencing/Bollards.

3) Detective: Log monitoring, Security Audits, CCTV, IDS, Vulnerability scanning → SIEM systems

4) Corrective: recovering data from backup copies,
applying sw updates and patches to fix vulnerabilities,
developing and implementing IRPs to respond to and recover from security incidents;
activating and executing DRPs to restore operations after a major incident.

Compensating: backup power systems;
MFA;
application sandboxing,
network segmentation

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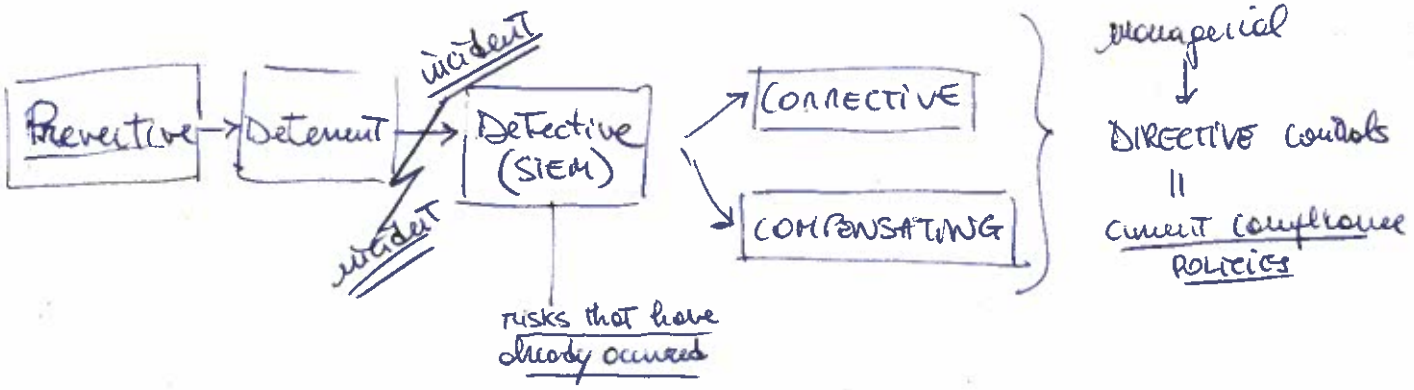
5) Directive: direct a subject towards security compliance.
ex. store all sensitive files in a protected folder.
↳ IRP - Incident Response Plan
AUP - Acceptable Use Policy

} RBAC (AC)
Plan, Policy, Guidelines

Ex. ACL are a combination of Directive and Administrative controls because they provide who can access and under what conditions.
However, the enforcement of ACL - via authentication and authorization - is categorized as technical/physical control. So, ACL implementation involves different types of controls.



= "a visitor log" produced by reception registration.

what you can touch !

(they would DETER someone from entering)

- Administrator uses **Technical controls** (technology) to protect and secure data:
  (ex. encryption and firewalls)

- **Managerial** controls want TO MINIMIZE RISKS → via ~~RISK ASSESSMENT~~ = identification + ~~study~~ evaluation + mitigation.

  establish ~~policies~~ and procedures to guide operations

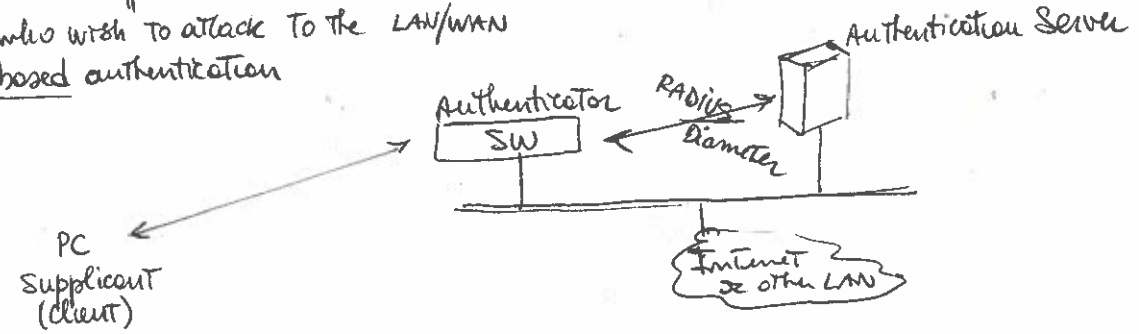
  OPERATIONAL controls = ensure day-to-day activities in a physical environment

  PHYSICAL controls = safeguards assets.

Security concepts

- CIA Triad
  - C → Authorization
  - I → data unaltered = hashing alg.
  - A → DDoS
- Non-Repudiation = prevents denial of actions (Trust and accountability) → authentication
  - digital signature (ex. email)
  - Audit Trials = records of actions (user + system logs) (is essential for tracking insider attacks!)
- AAA framework = AAA server / protocols:
  - RADIUS (successor)
  - Diameter
  - TACACS+ (Cisco)

  (IEEE Standard)
  - 802.1X is the network leader
    - authentication protocol for network access
    - who wish to attack to the LAN/WAN
    - Port-based authentication

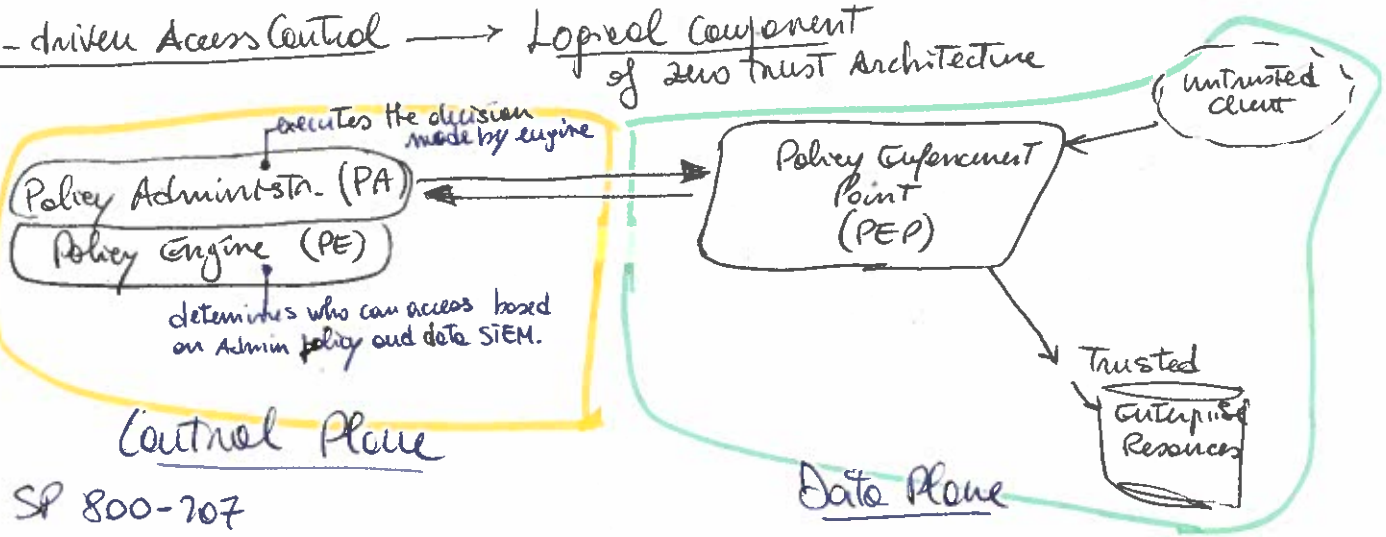


- With 802.1X port-based authentication, the supplicant PC must provide the required credentials to the authenticator (name/passw and or digital certificate).
- The authenticator forward these credentials to the server to decide

(in next page see : internal/external, DMZ)

- Zero Trust: "never Trust, always verify"
  - distinct roles:
    - ① The data plane ensures efficient movement of information (the PEP sits here controlling access to resources)
    - ② The control plane manages the intelligence behind (data routing...)

- Policy-driven Access Control → Logical component of zero trust Architecture



- NIST SP 800-207

Control Plane: looks at company policies coupled with Threat intell. data.

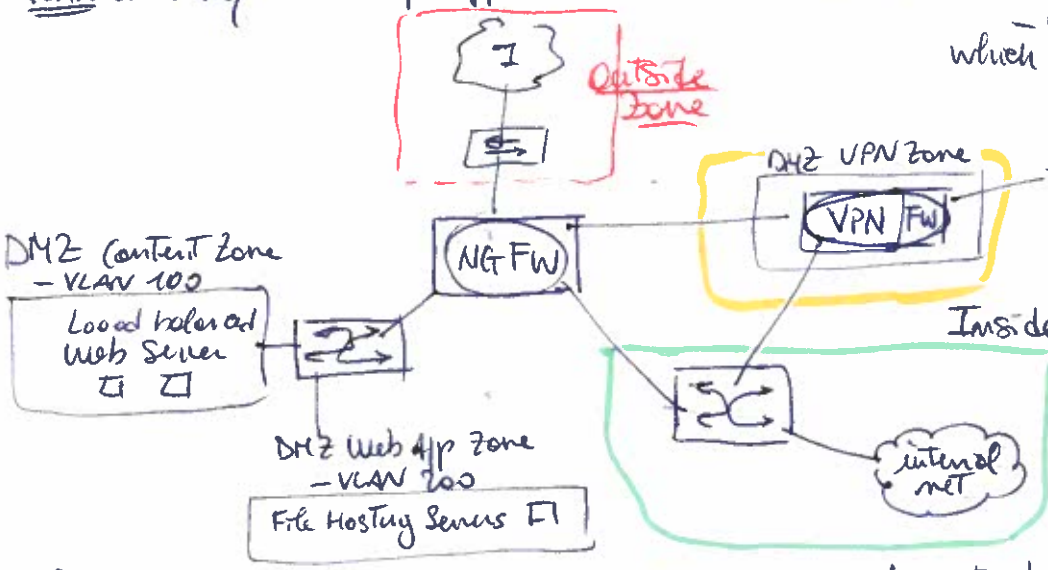
- Policy engine: determines who can access on a per-user basis. Operates based on policy. (Context is crucial, with many data for decision)
- Policy Administrator: executes decision made by the PE to control access to the network. It can communicate with Data Plane?

Data Plane ("zones"):

network Topology

- VLAN are widely used to keep traffic in their own zones → the only attack against VLAN is
  - double tagging
  - VLAN hopping attack

  which requires knowledge on untagged VLA

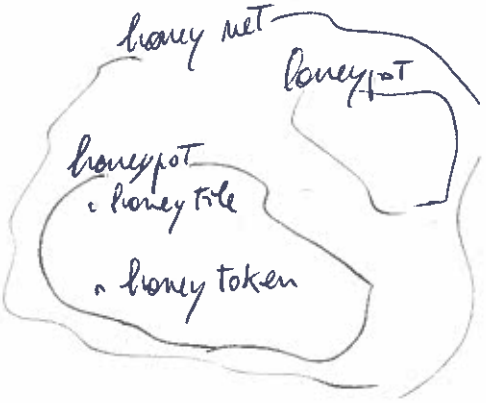


The design has tagged TRUNK interfaces moving down to distributed switches with the NGFW acting as the default-GW for each VLAN.

- When traffic travels from zone to zone (inter-VLAN) we have the ability to apply FW Policy.
- if a new server is added, we can create a new VLAN on the switches and FW.

Deception and Disruption:

- honeypot: to find out the (most recent) attack methods → ex Website
- honeynet: a group of honeypot
- honey file: for deception, once accessed it sets off alarms to SOC (ex. passwd file)
  - pro-active defence -
- honey token: designed to track the attackers, it's dummy data presented itself as a prized target.



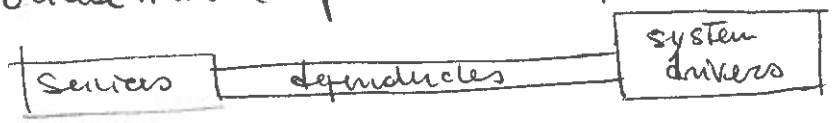
RADIUS is a centralized authentication, authorization and accounting server. RADIUS clients could be VPN-, WAP-, or 802.1X- managed switches. Who authenticated, they are added to SQL DB that tracks logs.

- Federation Services is used for 3rd-party authentication.
- Kerberos is Microsoft authentication.
- OAuth is used for internet-based authentications.

change management

- System upgrade
- new software installation
- Switching from one technology to another

→ in term of security, clear ownership is crucial → handled by the CISO (who'll be responsable)

- having a BACKOUT plan: helps return everything to the way it was ((Rollback!))
- Before a network administrator can make changes to any network device, they must seek approval from the CAB to ensure the changes are aligned with the organization's goals.
- The actual network infrastructure is represented (usual) by UPDATING DIAGRAMS.
- 

- golden rule: we won't to impact the PRODUCTION environment (running)
  - So a Service Restart (close + reopen) has a "downtime".
  - Like a maintenance window for system updates & changes may disrupt users! (flagged)
  - Weakness may emerge on restart.

Cryptographic solution

PKI

- **Public key**: the format PKCS is **P7b** and the file extension is **.cer**.
- **private key**: used for DECRYPTION + for generating DIGITAL CERTIFICATE. Recipients can verify the sender's identity using public key. in PKCS is **P12** and .pfx
- **Key escrow (custode)**: Trusted third party responsible for securely storing copies of crypto keys. → using HSM

Encryption

- Full-Disk Encr. (**FDE**) to protect hard drive or SSD → associated with Full-Disk Encry there's always the Trusted Platform Module (TPM) chip where keys are stored
- Encrypted File System (EFS) can be used to encrypt files where the keys are stored in the user's profile.
- Communication/Transport → SSL/TLS protocol over TCP/IP protocol = HTTPS for web browsing

Assymmetric alg.:
RSA, Diffie-Hellman, Elliptic Curve (ECC).

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Symmetric alg:
DES (56 bit), 3DES (168 bit), and more popular AES (256 bit).

→ key exchange (securely delivery keys): ex Diffie-Hellman key exchange.

Tools (for ROOT of TRUST)

1) TPM chip integrato in un dispositivo. Archivia keys, Secure Boot e autentica.
   - Apple iOS = Secure Enclave (T2 chip)
   - Android = TrustZone (ARM)
2) (più esteso) HSM
   - per Server e Cloud con alto livello di sicurezza.
   - gestione totale delle keys in ambito aziendale.
   - ~~non è integrato~~, ma stand-alone!

} FIPS 140-2 e 140-3

HASHING

- one way function:
  - SHA1 (160 bit)
  - MD5 (128 bit)

* data integrity
* password security + "SALTING" → added random data recording in clear. On this way 2 same passwords does not have same hash! Stored.

Brute Force or Dictionary attack (rainbow table)

Cryptographic solution

- key stretching = designed to transform a password into a longer, more complex key.
  Using ex: - PBKDF2
  - Bcrypt

- Digital Signature = a signer uses its signature = private key that is specific to the document. It's generated.
  The recipient uses the signer's publick key to validate the signature, ensuring the document's integrity and origin.

CERTIFICATES

A digital signature adds TRUST.
- PKI uses Cert. Authorities for additional Trust
- certificate creation can be built into the OS : ex. part of Windows Domain services.

What's in a digital certificate (LOCK in the browser for each website)?
→ X.509 standard format for digital certificate (we have inside SN, version, public key...)

We need a good way to trust an unknown entity (random website):
- Certificate Authority (CA) has digitally signed the website certificate
→ you TRUST the CA, therefore you Trust the website → (real-time verification means validation)

Where is this mechanism?
Built-in To your BROWSER

Inside an organization: you are your own CA. In fact Microsoft has its own Windows certificate Services.
→ internal certificates don't need to be signed by a public CA. Install the CA certificate/trusted chain on all devices.
Self-signed dig.ce

- Wildcard (certificates) = extension = Subject Alternative Name (SAN) → multiple servers, but in the same domain name
  PKIs an extension of X.509; allows a certificate to support the same Domains name
  (Fully qualified Domain Names - FQDNs)
  ex heartbleed vulnerability (2014)

Key REVOCATION

- CRL — Cert. Revocation List (maintained by the CA)
  it's a list of URI in your own browser!
- Online Certificate Status Protocol (OCSP) — is "stapled" into the SSL/TLS handshake. — What we're using today!

Certificate signing request

PKI → private key,
public key.