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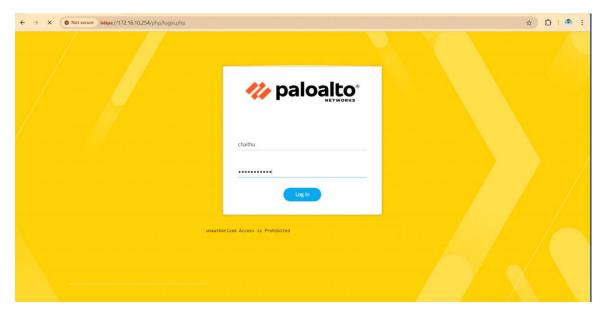
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1. Steps to Configure Security Profiles: File Blocking and DoS Protection on Palo Alto Firewall

A. File Blocking Security Profile Configuration

Step 1: Login to the PAN Firewall

- Open a web browser and navigate to the firewall's IP address.
- Log in with your admin credentials.



Step 2: Navigate to File Blocking Profile

• On the web interface, go to **Objects > Security Profiles > File Blocking**.

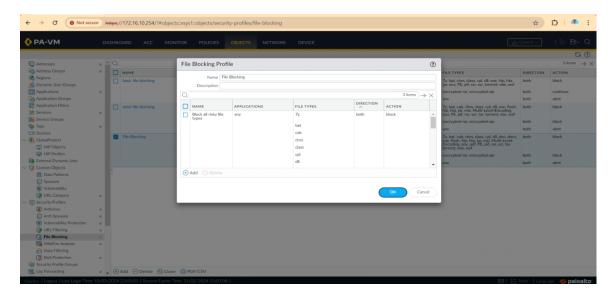
Step 3: Create a New File Blocking Profile

- Click **Add** to create a new File Blocking profile.
- Name the profile (e.g., "File-Block-Policy").



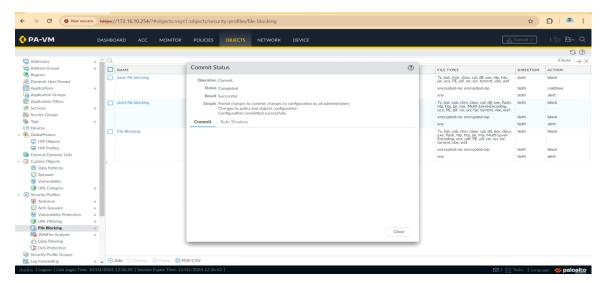
Step 4: Add Blocking Rules

- Under File Blocking Rules, click Add.
- Select the **Application** (e.g., web-browsing, ftp, etc.).
- Select the **File Type** (e.g., PE files, PDF, MS Office, etc.) you want to block.
- Choose the **Action** (e.g., Block or Alert).
- Click **OK** to save.

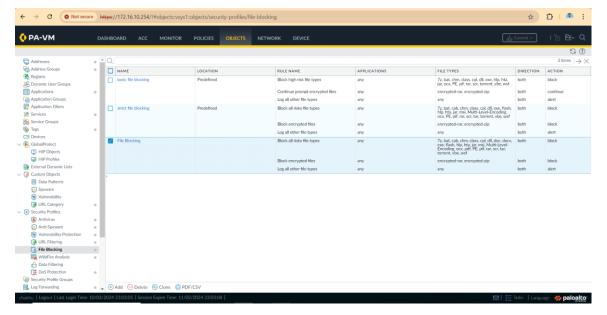


Step 5: Attach File Blocking Profile to Security Policy

- Go to Policies > Security.
- Choose an existing Security Policy or create a new one.
- Under the **Actions** tab, apply the newly created File Blocking profile by selecting it from the dropdown.







B. DoS Protection Security Profile Configuration

Step 1: Navigate to DoS Protection Profiles

• Go to Objects > Security Profiles > DoS Protection.

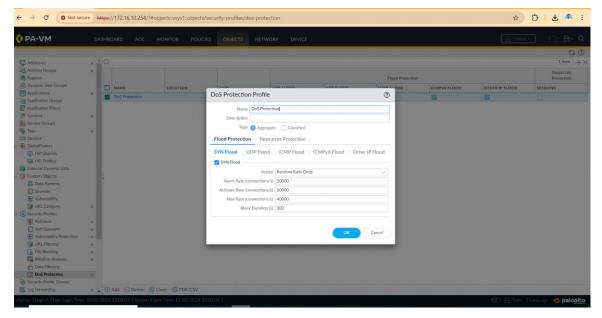
Step 2: Create a New DoS Protection Profile

- Click Add to create a new DoS protection profile.
- Name the profile (e.g., "DoS-Protection").

Step 3: Configure Flood Protection

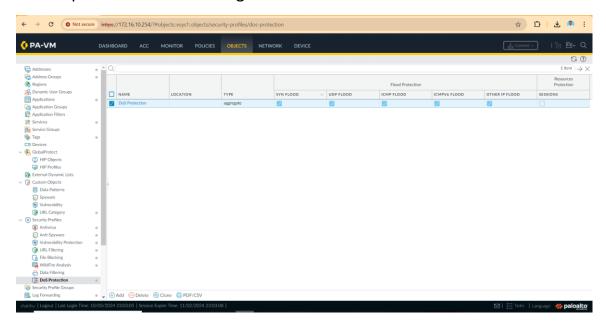
- Under the Flood Protection section, enable protection against SYN Flood, ICMP Flood, or UDP Flood.
- Set the Threshold values based on the traffic load. For example, configure a SYN Flood with a rate of 1000 packets per second.
- Enable Aggregate or Classified protection based on your requirement.





Step 4: Apply DoS Protection to a Security Policy

- Go to Policies > DoS Protection.
- Create a new DoS policy and apply the created DoS profile to protect specific zones or IP ranges.



2. Packet Capture of Dropped Rule

Step-by-Step Packet Capture of Dropped Traffic

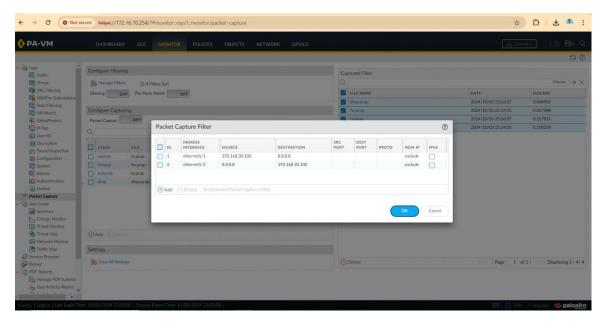
Step 1: Navigate to Packet Capture Settings

Go to Monitor > Packet Capture on the web interface.

Step 2: Create a Packet Capture Filter

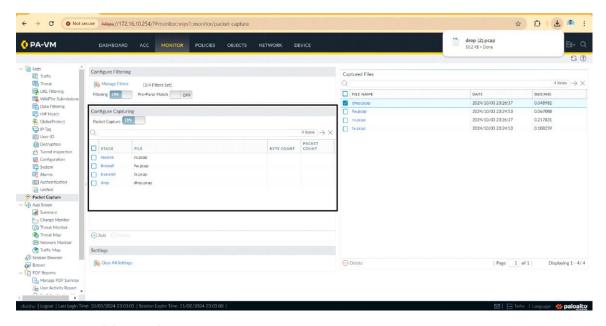


- Click Add to create a new packet capture filter.
- Under **Match**, specify the conditions for the packet you want to capture (e.g., source IP, destination IP, application, or port).
- For a dropped packet rule, you can match the IP address or port of the traffic being dropped.



Step 3: Define Stages to Capture

• Choose the capture stages: **Firewall stage**, **Receive**, **Transmit**, and **Drop**. For dropped traffic, select **Drop**.

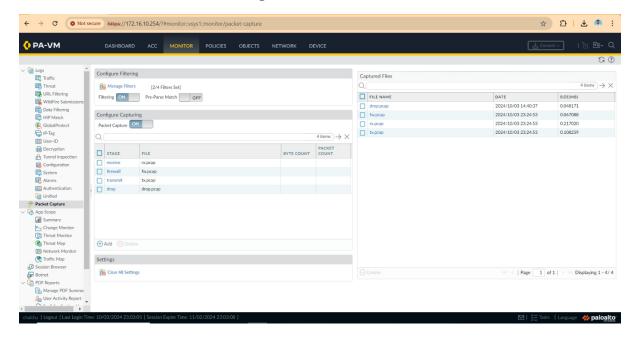


Step 4: Enable Packet Capture

• Enable the packet capture by selecting the **Enable** checkbox.

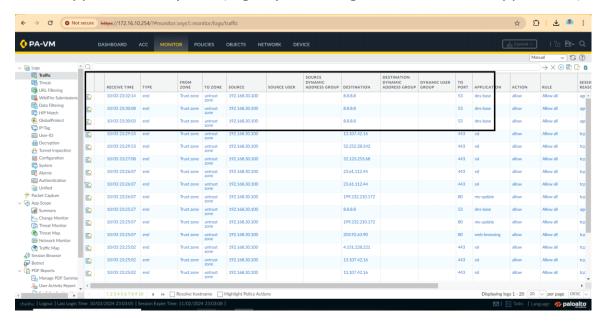


Click **OK** to save the configuration.



Step 5: Generate Traffic

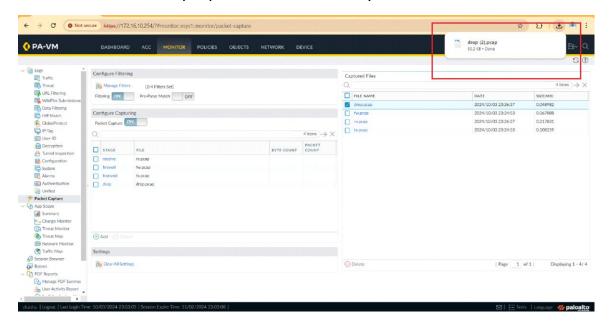
• Generate the traffic that will be dropped by the firewall according to the applied security rule (e.g., by accessing a blocked URL or application).



Step 6: View and Download Packet Capture

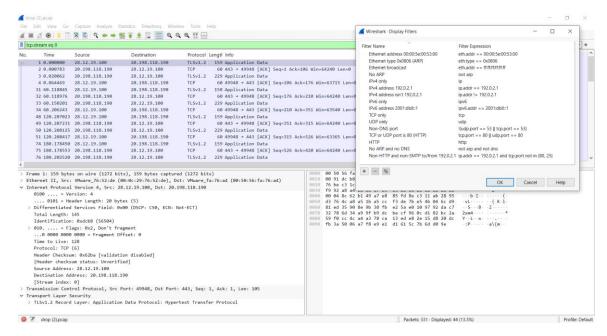


- Once the traffic is generated and captured, go to Monitor > Packet Capture.
- Download the .pcap file for further analysis in tools like Wireshark.



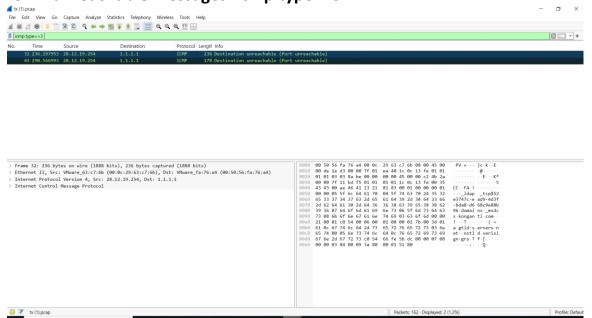
Step 7: Analyze the .pcap File

- Open the downloaded .pcap file in Wireshark.
- Look for packets that match the dropped rule criteria, such as TCP resets or dropped connections.





ICMP unreachable messages: icmp.type==3



After applying the filters, observe packets that match the drop criteria, such as:

- **TCP resets** (indicating the firewall reset the connection).
- **ICMP unreachable** messages (indicating a service is unreachable due to a firewall block).
- Look for additional clues like zero-window packets (indicating a buffer overflow or service refusal).

Analyze the packet details, focusing on the **Source IP**, **Destination IP**, **Port**, and other relevant protocol information to verify which rule caused the drop.

Over All Conclusion:

 we configured Palo Alto firewall security profiles for File Blocking and DoS Protection, ensuring that specific file types are blocked and network flood attacks are mitigated. The packet capture showed dropped traffic based on security policies, confirmed through Wireshark analysis with TCP resets, indicating effective traffic blocking. This demonstrates the firewall's capability to enforce network security policies and protect against unauthorized or malicious traffic