

3. Network Security

I. Network Security Theory

Network Layer Protocols

- IP - Internet Protocol
 - addressing
 - routing
- TCP - Transmission Control Protocol
 - Connection-oriented
 - reliable
 - 3-way handshake
 - flow and congestion control
- UDP - User Datagram Protocol
 - Connectionless
 - Lightweight, low-overhead
 - Speed > Reliability
 - VoIP, video streaming, audio streaming

Common Ports

21 - FTP
22 - SSH
23 - Telnet
25 - SMTP
53 - DNS
80 - HTTP
110 - POP3
135 - RPC - Microsoft Remote Procedure Call
139 - NetBIOS
143 - IMAP
389 - LDAP
443 - HTTPS

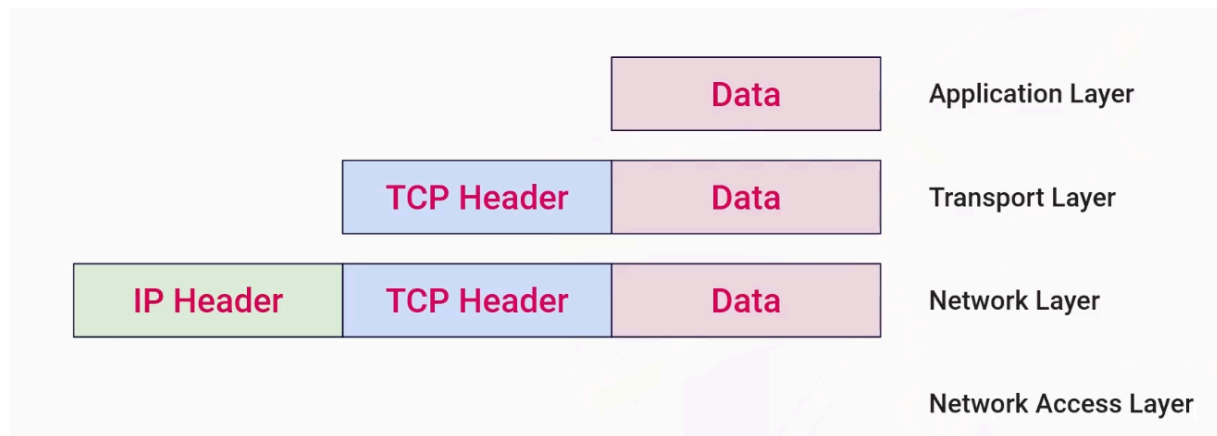
445 - SMB

3389 - RDP

8080 - HTTP

II. Packet Capture and Flow Analysis

Packets



- Header
 - Contain all info about the packet
- Payload
 - Core content the packet is holding
- Trailer
 - Not always required

Packet Capture (PCAP)

- Intercepting Packets
 - Port mirroring (SPAN Ports)
 - Inline network devices
 - Network taps
- PCAP Files
 - binary file format
 - header and raw payload
 - Tcpcap, Wireshark, Tshark etc
- Advantages
 - most detailed record

- Includes packet payload
- Disadvantages
 - Resource intensive
 - Requires significant storage space

Flow Records

- Aggregated metadata
- 5-Tuple
 - Source IP
 - Source Port
 - Destination IP
 - Destination Port
 - Transport Protocol
- Generated by devices such as firewalls
- Advantages
 - Efficient bandwidth and storage requirements
 - High level pattern and anomaly detection
 - Easier to scale
- Disadvantages
 - Lacks payload detail
 - Doesn't give the whole picture

III. Introduction to tcpdump

Installation

```
sudo apt-get install tcpdump -y
```

Setting to listen

```
tcpdump -D # Find available interfaces  
sudo tcpdump -i lo
```

IV. tcpdump: Capturing Network Traffic

Using `-n` with tcpdump will prevent tcpdump from resolving domains to IPs

Adding a domain name to the command like below will filter for just example.com. This is useful for looking for a specific malicious site.

```
sudo tcpdump -i <interface> -n host example.com
```

use `src` and `dst` to specify the source and destination IP if needed.

use `net` to specify traffic to/from a specific network.

Save to a file using `-w` flag and give it the path/file.pcap name

```
sudo tcpdump -i <interface> -n -w ~/Desktop/capture.pcap
```

V. tcpdump: Analyzing Network Traffic

```
tcpdump -r capture.pcap
```

`--count` - display how many packets are in the file (can use filters to further divide the number)

`-c` - how many packets to display in output

`-t` removes timestamp

`-tt` converts timestamp to UTC

`-ttt` timestamp in millisecond since previous packet

`-tttt` hours / minutes / seconds

Advanced Searching for IP addresses:

```
tcpdump -tt -r file.pcap -n tcp | cut -d " " -f 5 | cut -d "." -f 1-4 | sort |  
uniq -c | sort -nr
```

VI. Wireshark: Capture and Display Filters

Capture Filters

Set before starting capture

- host <IP address>
- port <port number>
- net <Network/CIDR range>
- src / dst
- and / or / not
- net

Display Filters

Can be set at any point

- Protocols: tcp / udp
- Any item from field and sub items: http.request
- Comparisons: == != < >
- Contains: http contains "login"
- Logic: AND OR NOT

Advanced Filter Examples:

`http.request.method == "GET"`

`http.request.uri contains "audiodg"`

You can right click a packet and select or Prepare as Filter > Apply as Filter

VII. Wireshark: Statistics

Use the statistics tab to have wireshark run analysis on the pcap file.

Statistics > Capture File Properties

This page will have a lot of info about the pcap file:

- Time frame: Determine whether file covers the suspicious timeline
- Total Packets
- Filtered Packets

Statistics > Resolved Addresses

Get a list of all IP addresses resolved to Domains

Statistics > Protocol Hierarchy

Displays the percentage of packets by protocol type

This tool runs display filters first before calculating percentages

Statistics > Conversations

Analyze the top talkers on the network

From here you can apply this as a display filter

Statistics > HTTP

Find quick info about HTTP packets

Follow Streams

You can select entire collections of packets that relate to each other.

Right click on packet > Follow > Select stream type

This will let you see an entire TCP or HTTP conversation

VIII. Wireshark: Analyzing Network Traffic

Workflow:

1. Statistics > Capture File Properties to find basic details about the pcap file.
 - a. Time frame in question
2. Statistics > Conversations > IPv4 > Packets A -> B to find IP address with the most packets
 - a. Note IP addresses of source and destination IPs of top talkers
 - b. Consider the information flow and in what directions
3. Statistics > Protocol Hierarchy Statistics > to determine protocols in use
 - a. http
 - b. NetBIOS
4. Right Click http packet > Follow > HTTP Stream to search for artifacts
 - a. User agents
 - b. magic byte file signatures
 - c. files within the pcap
5. Statistics > HTTP > Requests to find http requests
6. File > Export Objects > HTTP to find files within pcap
 - a. Save to system

- b. `file <filename>` to get file information
 - c. `sha256sum <filename>` to get hash
- 7. Search IOCs on VirusTotal to find more info on attack
 - a. malware used
 - b. mitre attack methodology

IX. Intrusion Detection and Prevention Systems

- Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS)
 - Passive monitoring and analysis
 - Alert generation
 - Logging
 - Out of band, not between traffic
- Intrusion Protection Systems (IPS)
 - Traffic inspection
 - Blocking and dropping packets
 - Alert generation
 - Logging
 - Inline deployment
 - Can introduce latency
- Types
 - Network based
 - Host based
- Detection Methods
 - Signature-based
 - Behavior-based
 - Rule-based

Known Knowns	Known Unknowns
Unknown Knowns	Unknown Unknowns

X. Introduction to Snort

- Security tool to analyze network traffic

- Modes:
 - Sniffer Mode
 - Packet Logger Mode
 - IDS/IPS Mode
- Operates from rules

```
sudo apt install snort -y
```

Give address range of local network

In typical organizational network the network interface must be run in promiscuous mode

Config Files:

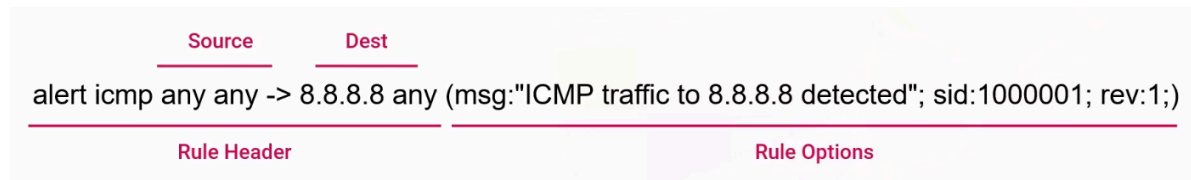
```
/etc/snort/snort.conf
```

```
/etc/snort/rules/
```

XI. Snort: Reading and Writing Rules

<http://snorpy.cyb3rs3c.net/>

Anatomy of a Rule



- Action
 - alert
 - log
 - drop
 - reject
- Protocol
 - icmp
 - ip
 - tcp
 - udp
- Direction
 - -> (source to destination)
 - <> (bidirectional)

- Source
 - ip
 - port
- Destination
 - ip
 - port
- Options
 - msg - Message included within the alert
 - sid - snort id number. Use a number above 1 mil (1000000)
 - rev - Revision number (track changes over time)

```
sudo nano /etc/snort/rules/local.rules
```

The rule can be added to this file as a new line.

```
sudo snort -A console -l /var/log/snort -i <interface> -c /etc/snort/snort.conf
-q
```

Community Rules

```
sudo mkdir /etc/snort/rules/community
cd /etc/snort/rules/community
sudo wget https://www.snort.org/downloads/community/community-rules.tar.gz
sudo tar -xzf community-rules.tar.gz
sudo cp community.rules /etc/snort/rules/community.rules
```

Logs

```
cd /var/log/snort/
sudo wireshark snort.log.<ID number>
```

Inline Mode

Must be running with two network interfaces on the machine

```
sudo snort -q -A console -i <interface>:<interface2> -c /etc/snort/snort.conf -  
-daq afpacket -Q
```

XII. Snort: Intrusion Detection and Prevention