

Performing Incident Response By Using Cyber Kill Chain Framework With Splunk and Creating Yara Rule

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Part One Cyber Kill Chain Framework With Splunk

1- Reconnaissance Phase

After examining HTTP Logs and IDS Logs I found the following:

- Scan Activity
- Web Application Attack
- Attempted Administrator Privilege Gain

IP Address For Adversaries : 40.80.148.42

Scan Tool: Acunetix web application scan

Attacker Use The Vulnerability CVE-2014-6271 to Gain Access to web server

- The Evidence and Search Query

1.Scan Activity

New Search

1 index="botsv1" imreallynotbatman.com sourcetype="stream:http"

✓ 22,200 events (8/10/16 3:28:51.000 AM to 12/11/23 8:50:15.000 PM) No Event Sampling ▼

Events (22,200) Patterns Statistics Visualization

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SELECTED FIELDS

- a eventtype 3
- a form_data 100+
- a host 1
- a part_filename[] 2
- a source 1
- a sourcetype 1
- a src_ip 2
- a uri_path 100+
- a uri_query 100+
- a url 100+
- a user 1

INTERESTING FIELDS

src_ip

2 Values, 99.856% of events Selected Yes No

Reports

Top values Top values by time Rare values

Events with this field

Values	Count	%
40.80.148.42	20,932	94.424%
23.22.63.114	1,236	5.576%

2. The Name Tool used in enumeration

splunk>enterprise App: Search & Reporting ▾

Search Analytics Datasets Reports Alerts Dashboards

New Search

```
1 index="botsv1" imreallynotbatman.com src_ip="40.80.148.42" sourcetype="stream:http"
2 | stats count by src_headers
```

✓ 20,932 events (8/10/16 3:28:51.000 AM to 12/12/23 7:35:01.000 AM) No Event Sampling ▾

Events Patterns **Statistics (10,438)** Visualization

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src_headers ⇅

```
CONNECT www.acunetix.wvs:443 HTTP/1.1
Host: imreallynotbatman.com
Connection: Keep-alive
Accept-Encoding: gzip,deflate
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 6.1; WOW64) AppleWebKit/537.21 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/41.0.2228.0 Safari/537.21
Acunetix-Product: WVS/10.0 (Acunetix Web Vulnerability Scanner - Free Edition)
Acunetix-Scanning-agreement: Third Party Scanning PROHIBITED
Acunetix-User-agreement: http://www.acunetix.com/wvs/disc.htm
Accept: */*
```

3.Web Application Attack

splunk>enterprise App: Search & Reporting ▾

Search Analytics Datasets Reports Alerts Dashboards

New Search

```
1 index="botsv1" imreallynotbatman.com sourcetype="suricata" src="40.80.148.42"
```

✓ 17,484 events (8/10/16 3:28:51.000 AM to 12/11/23 9:03:52.000 PM) No Event Sampling ▾

Events (17,484) Patterns Statistics Visualization

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SELECTED FIELDS

```
a alert.action 1
a alert.category 9
# alert.severity 3
a alert.signature 46
a eventtype 2
a host 1
a signature 46
a source 1
a sourcetype 1
a src_ip 1
a suricata_signature_id 46
a url 100+
```

INTERESTING FIELDS

alert.category

9 Values, 2.705% of events

Selected

Reports

Top values

Top values by time

Rare values

Events with this field

Values	Count	%	
Web Application Attack	248	52.431%	<div></div>
A Network Trojan was detected	99	20.93%	<div></div>
Attempted Administrator Privilege Gain	36	7.611%	<div></div>
Generic Protocol Command Decode	36	7.611%	<div></div>
Attempted Information Leak	32	6.765%	<div></div>
access to a potentially vulnerable web application	18	3.805%	<div></div>
Information Leak	2	0.423%	<div></div>
Detection of a Network Scan	1	0.211%	<div></div>
Potentially Bad Traffic	1	0.211%	<div></div>

3. Attempted Administrator Privilege Gain

App: Search & Reporting

SearchAnalyticsDatasetsReportsAlertsDashboards

New Search

1 index="botsv1" imreallynotbatman.com sourcetype="suricata" src="40.80.148.42" "alert.category"="Attempted Administrator Privilege Gain"

✓ 36 events (8/10/16 3:28:51.000 AM to 12/11/23 9:11:47.000 PM) No Event Sampling

Events (36)PatternsStatisticsVisualization

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SELECTED FIELDS
a alert.action 1
a alert.category 1
alert.severity 1
a alert.signature 2
a eventtype 1
a host 1
a signature 2
a source 1
a sourcetype 1
a src_ip 1
a suricata_signature_id 2
a url 17
INTERESTING FIELDS

i

Time

Event

>

8/10/16
9:37:00.830 PM

{ [-]

alert: { [-]

action: allowed

category: Attempted Administrator Privilege Gain

gid: 1

rev: 1

severity: 1

signature: ET WEB_SERVER Possible CVE-2014-6271 Attempt

signature_id: 2022028

}

dest_ip: 192.168.250.70

dest_port: 80

event_type: alert

flow_id: 1577394704

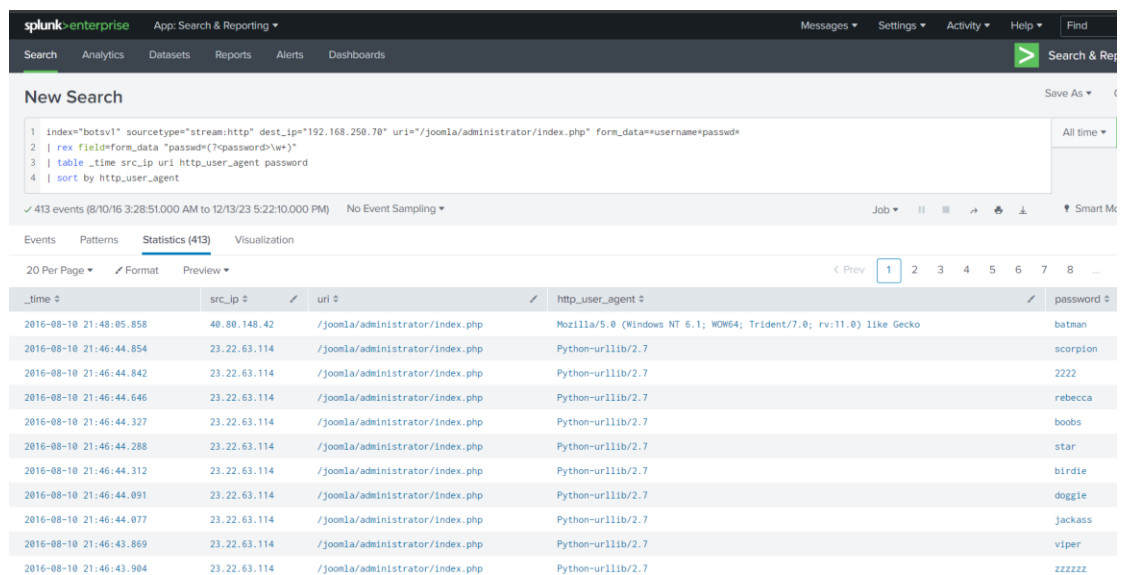
http: { [+]

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2- Exploitation Phase

The Attacker Perform Brute Force Attack for the Exploitation

- The Evidence and Search Query



The screenshot shows the Splunk Enterprise interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'splunk enterprise' logo, 'App: Search & Reporting', and various menu items like Messages, Settings, Activity, Help, and Find. Below this is a sub-navigation bar with 'Search', 'Analytics', 'Datasets', 'Reports', 'Alerts', and 'Dashboards'. The main content area is titled 'New Search' and contains a search query box with the following text:

```
1 index="botsv1" sourcetype="stream:http" dest_ip="192.168.250.70" uri="/joomla/administrator/index.php" form_data="username=password"
2 | rex field=form_data "password(?:\w+)"
3 | table _time src_ip uri http_user_agent password
4 | sort by http_user_agent
```

Below the query box, it shows '413 events (8/10/16 3:28:51.000 AM to 12/13/23 5:22:10.000 PM) No Event Sampling'. The results are displayed in a table with columns: _time, src_ip, uri, http_user_agent, and password. The table shows 10 rows of data, all from the same source IP (23.22.63.114) and URI (/joomla/administrator/index.php), but with different user agents and passwords.

_time	src_ip	uri	http_user_agent	password
2016-08-10 21:48:05.858	40.80.148.42	/joomla/administrator/index.php	Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 6.1; WOW64; Trident/7.0; rv:11.0) like Gecko	batman
2016-08-10 21:46:44.854	23.22.63.114	/joomla/administrator/index.php	Python-urllib/2.7	scorpion
2016-08-10 21:46:44.842	23.22.63.114	/joomla/administrator/index.php	Python-urllib/2.7	2222
2016-08-10 21:46:44.646	23.22.63.114	/joomla/administrator/index.php	Python-urllib/2.7	rebecca
2016-08-10 21:46:44.327	23.22.63.114	/joomla/administrator/index.php	Python-urllib/2.7	boobs
2016-08-10 21:46:44.288	23.22.63.114	/joomla/administrator/index.php	Python-urllib/2.7	star
2016-08-10 21:46:44.312	23.22.63.114	/joomla/administrator/index.php	Python-urllib/2.7	birdie
2016-08-10 21:46:44.091	23.22.63.114	/joomla/administrator/index.php	Python-urllib/2.7	doggie
2016-08-10 21:46:44.077	23.22.63.114	/joomla/administrator/index.php	Python-urllib/2.7	jackass
2016-08-10 21:46:43.869	23.22.63.114	/joomla/administrator/index.php	Python-urllib/2.7	viper
2016-08-10 21:46:43.904	23.22.63.114	/joomla/administrator/index.php	Python-urllib/2.7	222222

3- Installation Phase

The Attacker Install Executable file in the server.

- The Evidence and search query

The screenshot shows the Splunk Enterprise Search & Reporting interface. At the top, the search bar contains the query: `1 index="botsv1" sourcetype="stream:http" dest_ip="192.168.250.70"`. Below the search bar, it indicates 22,643 events were found for the time range 8/10/16 3:28:51.000 AM to 12/13/23 5:33:54.000 PM. The interface is set to 'Events' view. A sidebar on the left lists selected fields, including `part_filename[]` with a count of 2. A modal window titled `part_filename[]` is open, showing a report of top values. The report indicates 2 values, representing 0.004% of the events. The values listed are `3791.exe` and `agent.php`, both with a count of 1 and 100% relative frequency.

Values	Count	%
3791.exe	1	100%
agent.php	1	100%

splunk>enterprise

App: Search & Reporting

Search

Analytics

Datasets

Reports

Alerts

Dashboards

New Search

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index="botsv1" 3791.exe sourcetype="XmlWinEventLog:Microsoft-Windows-Sysmon/Operational" EventID=1

5 events (8/10/16 3:28:51.000 AM to 12/13/23 5:44:33.000 PM)

No Event Sampling

Events (5)

Patterns

Statistics

Visualization

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SELECTED FIELDS

CommandLine 4

eventtype 1

host 1

ParentProcessGuid 3

ParentProcessId 3

signature 1

source 1

sourcetype 1

user 1

INTERESTING FIELDS

action 1

...

CommandLine

4 Values, 100% of events

Selected

Yes

No

Reports

Top values

Top values by time

Rare values

Events with this field

Values	Count	%
C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe	2	40%
3791.exe	1	20%
\\?\C:\Windows\system32\conhost.exe 0xffffffff	1	20%
cmd.exe /c "3791.exe 2>&1"	1	20%

me="ParentImage">C:\inetpub\wwwroot\joomla\3791.exe</Data><Data Nam

CommandLine = C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe ParentProcessGuid = [E!

eventtype = ms-sysmon-process process report host = we1149srv sign

sourcetype = XmlWinEventLog:Microsoft-Windows-Sysmon/Operational u

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4- Action on Objective

The attacker Defaced the Web Site

- The Evidence and search query

The screenshot shows the Splunk Enterprise interface with a search query: `index=botsv1 url="/poisonivy-is-coming-for-you-batman.jpeg" dest_ip="192.168.250.70" | table _time src dest_ip http.hostname url`. The results table displays the following data:

_time	src	dest_ip	http.hostname	url
2016-08-10 22:19:10.846	23.22.63.114	192.168.250.70	prankglassinebracket.jumpingcrab.com	/poisonivy-is-coming-for-you-batman.jpeg

5- Command And Control

identified the suspicious domain as a Command and Control C2 Server in the Previous Phase associated with the image.

The screenshot shows the Splunk Enterprise interface with a search query: `index=botsv1 poisonivy-is-coming-for-you-batman.jpeg sourcetype="stream:http"`. The results table displays the following data:

Time	Event
2016-08-10 22:19:10.846	prankglassinebracket.jumpingcrab.com:1337:1337/poisonivy-is-coming-for-you-batman.jpeg

A modal window is open showing the 'url' field details. It indicates 1 value, 66.667% of events. The 'Reports' section shows 'Top values by time' and 'Rare values'. The 'Values' section shows the following data:

Values	Count	%
http://prankglassinebracket.jumpingcrab.com:1337:1337/poisonivy-is-coming-for-you-batman.jpeg	2	100%

i	Time	Event
		dest_ip: 23.22.63.114 dest_mac: 08:5B:0E:93:92:AF dest_port: 1337 duplicate_packets_in: 2 duplicate_packets_out: 0 endtime: 2016-08-10T22:13:46.915172Z http_method: GET missing_packets_in: 0 missing_packets_out: 0 network_interface: eth1 packets_in: 6 packets_out: 5 reply_time: 0 request: GET /poisonivy-is-coming-for-you-batman.jpeg HTTP/1.0 request_ack_time: 3246 request_time: 61714 response_ack_time: 0 response_time: 0 server_rtt: 32357 server_rtt_packets: 2 server_rtt_sum: 64714 site: prankglassinebracket.jumpingcrab.com:1337 src_headers: GET /poisonivy-is-coming-for-you-batman.jpeg HTTP/1.0 Host: prankglassinebracket.jumpingcrab.com:1337 src_ip: 192.168.250.70

6- Weaponization Phase And 7- Delivery Phase


Using OSINT www.virustotal.com to search for IP Address Associated with the attacker 23.22.63.114

The Malicious Domain name associate with the IP: www.p01s0n1vy.com

The Malicious file name:

ab.exe

Miranda.Tate.Screenserver.scr.exe



23.22.63.114

Passive DNS Replication (11) ⓘ

Date resolved	Detections	Resolver	Domain
2019-12-01	0 / 89	VirusTotal	waynecorinc.com
2019-11-30	0 / 89	VirusTotal	wanecorpinc.com
2019-11-29	0 / 89	VirusTotal	wynecorpinc.com
2019-11-28	0 / 89	VirusTotal	wayneorpinc.com
2019-11-05	0 / 89	VirusTotal	wayncorpinc.com
2019-09-30	0 / 89	VirusTotal	waynecrpinc.com
2019-09-28	0 / 89	VirusTotal	waynecorpnc.com
2019-04-19	0 / 89	VirusTotal	ec2-23-22-63-114.compute-1.amazonaws.com
2018-07-18	0 / 89	VirusTotal	p01s0n1vy.com
2018-05-19	0 / 89	VirusTotal	www.p01s0n1vy.com
2018-05-02	3 / 89	VirusTotal	prankglassinebracketjumpingcrab.com

Communicating Files (4) ⓘ

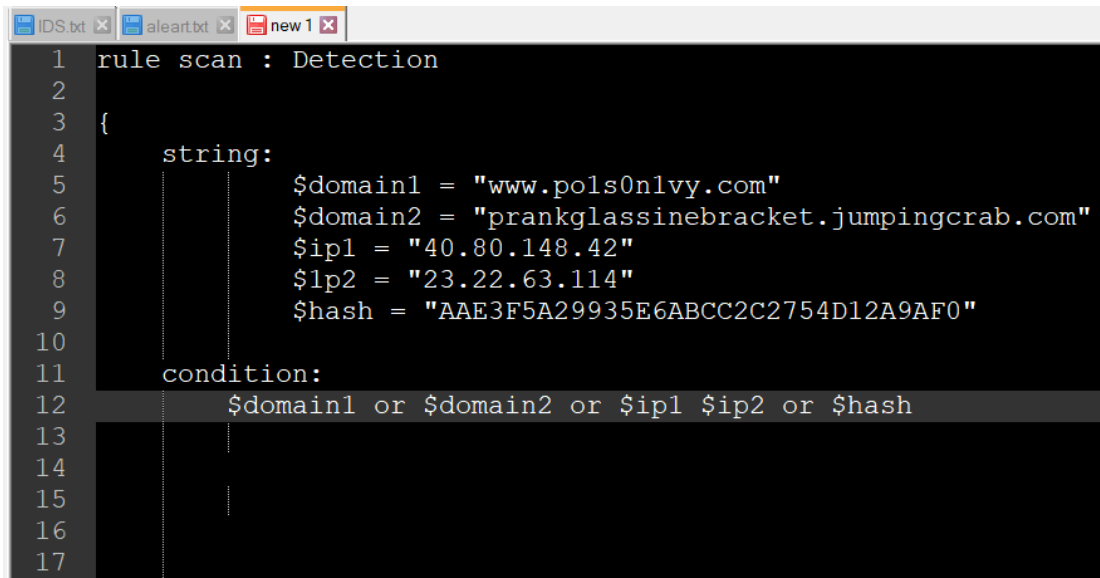
Scanned	Detections	Type	Name
2022-12-26	54 / 70	Win32 EXE	software.exe
2023-12-06	53 / 70	Win32 EXE	MirandaTateScreensaver.scr.exe
2016-08-10	53 / 55	unknown	MSRSAAPP
2023-12-08	64 / 72	Win32 EXE	ab.exe

Files Referring (20) ⓘ

Scanned	Detections	Type	Name
2023-12-06	53 / 70	Win32 EXE	MirandaTateScreensaver.scr.exe

Part Tow Creating Yara Rule

Collecting the artifact IP Addresses and domains and Hash File
Associated with the attacker and creating Yara Rule



```
1 rule scan : Detection
2
3 {
4     string:
5         $domain1 = "www.pols0nlvy.com"
6         $domain2 = "prankglassinebracket.jumpingcrab.com"
7         $ip1 = "40.80.148.42"
8         $ip2 = "23.22.63.114"
9         $hash = "AAE3F5A29935E6ABCC2C2754D12A9AF0"
10
11     condition:
12         $domain1 or $domain2 or $ip1 $ip2 or $hash
13
14
15
16
17
```