



Intro to Cyber Incident Response

CYBER INCIDENT RESPONSE

What does this section cover?

- Phases of an incident response
- Creating an incident response team
- How to classify an incident
- Analyzing network events
- Detecting network probes and attacks



What does this section cover?

- Investigating issues on a host/server
- Investigating service and applications
- Building a basic forensic toolkit
- Capabilities of different forensic tools
- How to conduct a forensic investigation



What is Cyber Incident Response?

- Actions taken in response to a security incident or event
- An organized approach to understanding the incident, mitigating its negative effects, planning the recovery, and investigating the root cause



Bottom Line...

- We will discuss the high-level concepts of how to develop a cyber incident response program and how the incident response team should operate during a cyber incident, including the basics of digital forensics and its associated toolsets





Security Incidents

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Cyber Incidents Will Happen

- No matter what your organization does to prevent a cyber incident... eventually one will happen to you
- How will you respond?
- How will you react?
- How will you recover?



You Must Plan Your Response

- Plan in advance your response
- Allows you to have a coordinated and methodical response
- Prior planning minimizes the damage and decreases your response time



Security Events and Incidents

- Event
 - Any observable occurrence in a system or network
- Adverse Event
 - Any event that has negative consequences
- Incidents
 - An imminent threat of violation, or a violation itself, of a security policy, acceptable use policy, or standard security practice



Security Events and Incidents

Not every event is an incident,
but every incident contains
at least one event



Computer Security Incident Response Team (CSIRT)

Team of professionals responsible for handling a security incident within an organization by using a standardized procedures





Incident Response Teams

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Creating the Team

- Members are permanent or temporary
- Core team is cybersecurity professionals with incident response experience
- Temporary members brought in for specific cases (like a DB Admin for SQL)
- Smaller organizations have CSIRT as a collateral role in addition to their day job



What does management do?

- Active role in an incident response
- Ensure team has funding, resources, and expertise needed to conduct incident response
- Make critical business decisions
- Communicate with legal or news media
- Communicate with key stakeholders



So, who is on the CSIRT?

- Leader is a skilled Incident Responder
- Subject matter experts
- IT support staff
- Legal counsel
- Human resource staff
- Public relations and marketing staff



Can you outsource the CSIRT?

- Retaining a third-party gives you instant capability without daily resourcing
- Can be very expensive
- Ensure your organization is comfortable with the third-party's guaranteed response time
- Agree upon the scope of work to be performed



Scope of Control For a CSIRT

- What would trigger activation of CSIRT?
- Who authorizes the activation?
- Do they respond for all parts of the organization, or just specific ones?
- Can CSIRT talk to law enforcement?
- Can CSIRT talk to the media?
- How would CSIRT escalate an issue?



Testing the Teams

- Plans without testing are ineffective
- You must ensure the teams are trained and ready for an incident response
- Testing allows a walkthrough of the policy, procedures, and playbooks
- Can be combined with a penetration test to simulate a real attacker

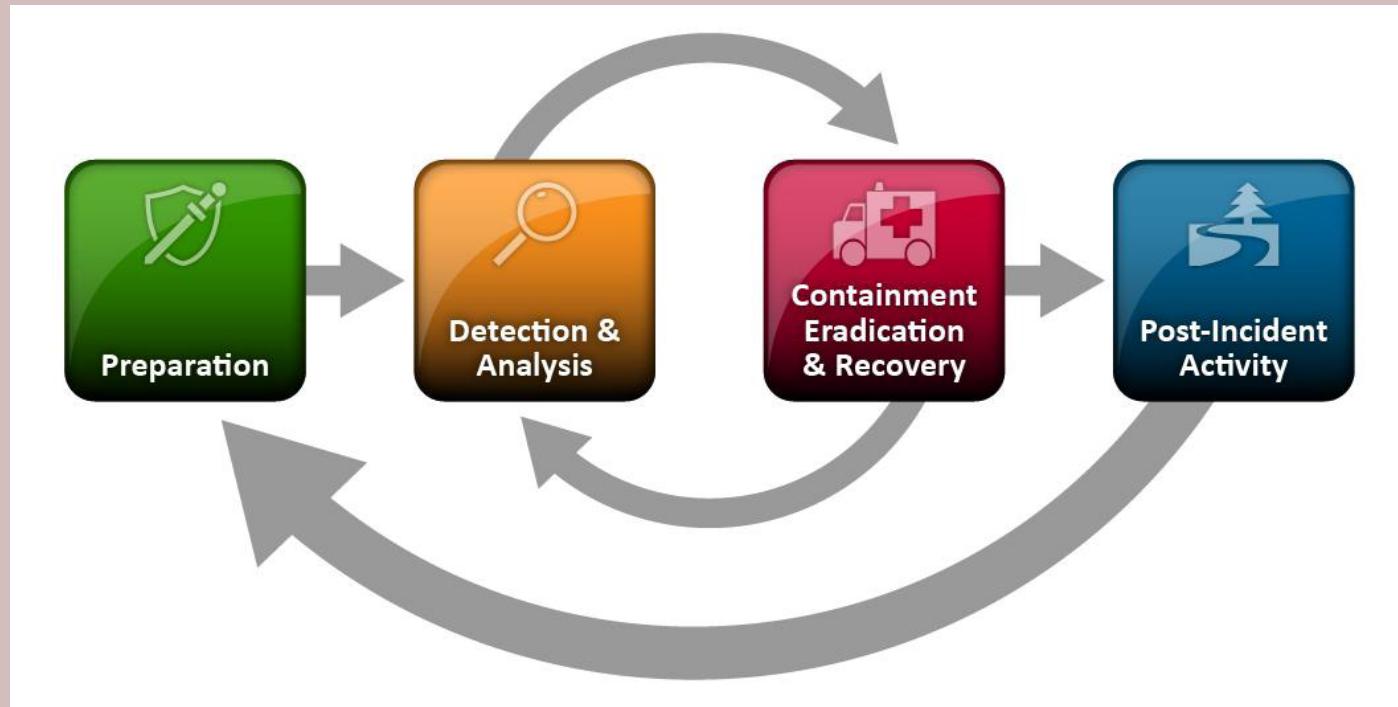




Incident Response Phases

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Incident Response Phases



This process is not linear...it is cyclical

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(Computer Security Incident Handling Guide)



Preparation

- Takes preparation to build a well-prepared CSIRT
- Requires proper policy foundation within the organization
- Preparation includes building proper cyber defenses in the organization
- Also, includes identifying/training personnel and building response kits



Preparation: Toolkits

- Digital forensic workstations
- Forensic software
- Packet capture devices
- Spare servers/network gear
- Backup devices
- Blank removable media
- Collection, analysis, & reporting laptops
- Portable printers
- Office supplies
- Evidence collection materials



Detection and Analysis

- Hardest to standardize
- Tools help in detection, but it takes a trained analyst to understand all the details during analysis
- When detection occurs, analysts shift to validation mode, then into analysis
- Primarily passive activities designed to uncover and analyze incident



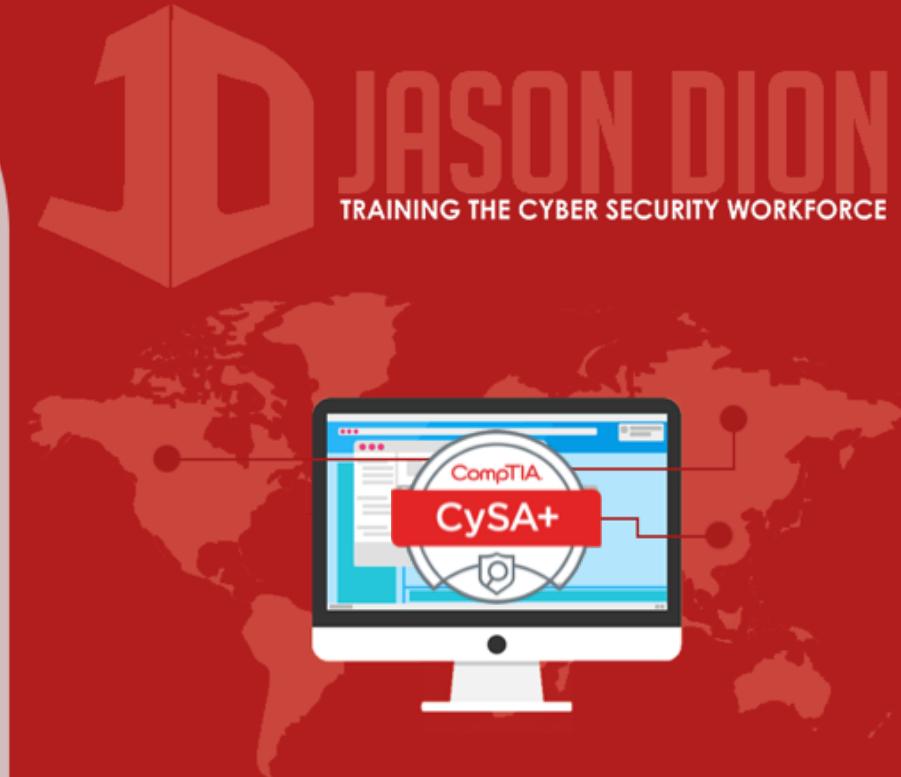
Detection and Analysis: Event Indicators

- Alerts
 - IDS/IPS, SIEM, Anti-virus, or other software alerts
- Logs
 - From operating systems, services, applications, network devices, and network flows
- Publically Available Information
 - News, media, and other open-source information
- People
 - Suspicious activity reported by users or admins



Detection and Analysis: Best Practices for Analysis

- Profile networks/systems
- Understand the baseline
- Create good logging policies
- Conduct event correlation
- Synchronize network & system clocks
- Maintain organization knowledge base
- Capture network traffic ASAP in incident
- Filter information to reduce confusion
- Know when to bring in outside help



Containment, Eradication, and Recovery

- Focuses on stopping the spread of the incident, remove it from the network, and recovering from it
- Phase focuses on active detection and removal of the incident



TRAINING THE CYBER SECURITY WORKFORCE

Containment, Eradication, and Recovery (5 Steps)

1. Pick containment strategy
2. Use strategy to limit the damage incident causes
3. Gather evidence needed for potential future legal actions
4. Identify attacking system or attacker
5. Remove effects of incident and recover normal business operations



Post-Incident Activities

- CSIRT isn't done once the incident is contained and eradicated, they still need to conduct:



- Event reconstruction
- Lessons learned
- Evidence retention



Post-Incident Activities: Event Reconstruction

- Recreate a timeline of the incident
- Identify the root cause of the intrusion and/or incident
- Conduct consultations with system administrators and management



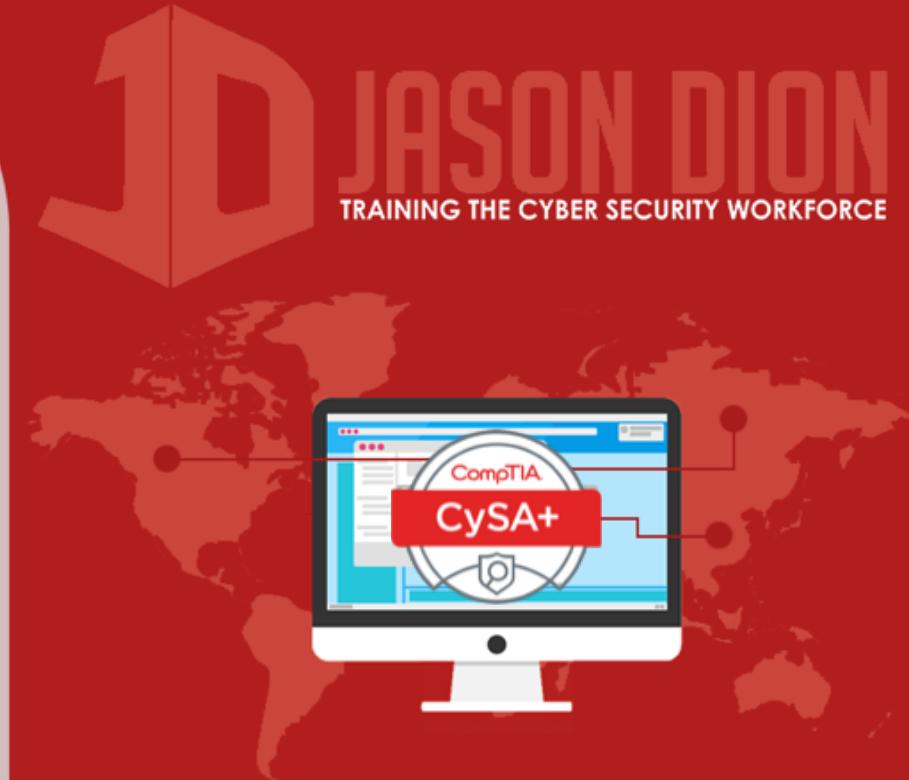
Post-Incident Activities: Lessons Learned

- Utilizes the timeline to aid improvement of procedures and tools used by CSIRT
- Group discussion to determine how the incident was handled, and how it could have been handled better.
- Lessons learned must be fed into the ITSM processes in order to follow-on actions to be taken



Post-Incident Activities: Lessons Learned

- What happened and when?
- How did staff perform?
- Were procedures followed?
- Were procedures adequate?
- What should have been done differently?
- Was information shared effectively?
- How could we detect incident sooner?
- What new tools or resources does the organization need?



Post-Incident Activities: Evidence Retention

- Large quantities of evidence have been collected
- What do we do with it all?
- CSIRT must identify internal/external retention requirements



*If legal actions will be conducted,
consult an attorney
before deleting anything!*



Post-Incident Activities: Evidence Retention Timelines

- US Government Agencies must retain all incident handling items for **3 years** due to legal requirements
- Most organizations maintain records for **2 years**, unless otherwise required by regulatory requirements





Policy & Procedures

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Incident Response Policy

- Foundation of the organization's Incident Response program
- Guides efforts at a high-level
- Provides authority for response efforts
- Approved by CEO or CIO
- Should be fairly timeless



Contents of the Policy

- Statement of management commitment
- Purpose
- Objectives
- Scope of policy
- Definitional terms
- Roles, responsibilities, and authority
- Incident prioritization scheme
- Measures of performance for CSIRT
- Reporting requirements
- Contact information



Incident Response Procedures

- Detailed information
- Step-by-step guidelines
- Not a replacement for CSIRT's professional judgement and expertise
- Often developed as a specific *playbook*



What is a Playbook?

- Describes a response to a high severity type of incident, such as:
 - Data breach of financial information
 - Data breach of personally identifiable information
 - Phishing attack against customers
 - Web server defacements
 - Loss of corporate laptop
 - Intrusion into the corporate network
 - Windows Golden Ticket reset



Incident Response Checklist

	Action	Completed
Detection and Analysis		
1.	Determine whether an incident has occurred	
1.1	Analyze the precursors and indicators	
1.2	Look for correlating information	
1.3	Perform research (e.g., search engines, knowledge base)	
1.4	As soon as the handler believes an incident has occurred, begin documenting the investigation and gathering evidence	
2.	Prioritize handling the incident based on the relevant factors (functional impact, information impact, recoverability effort, etc.)	
3.	Report the incident to the appropriate internal personnel and external organizations	
Containment, Eradication, and Recovery		
4.	Acquire, preserve, secure, and document evidence	
5.	Contain the incident	
6.	Eradicate the incident	
6.1	Identify and mitigate all vulnerabilities that were exploited	
6.2	Remove malware, inappropriate materials, and other components	
6.3	If more affected hosts are discovered (e.g., new malware infections), repeat the Detection and Analysis steps (1.1, 1.2) to identify all other affected hosts, then contain (5) and eradicate (6) the incident for them	
7.	Recover from the incident	
7.1	Return affected systems to an operationally ready state	
7.2	Confirm that the affected systems are functioning normally	
7.3	If necessary, implement additional monitoring to look for future related activity	
Post-Incident Activity		
8.	Create a follow-up report	
9.	Hold a lessons learned meeting (mandatory for major incidents, optional otherwise)	

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<http://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/SpecialPublications/NIST.SP.800-61r2.pdf>



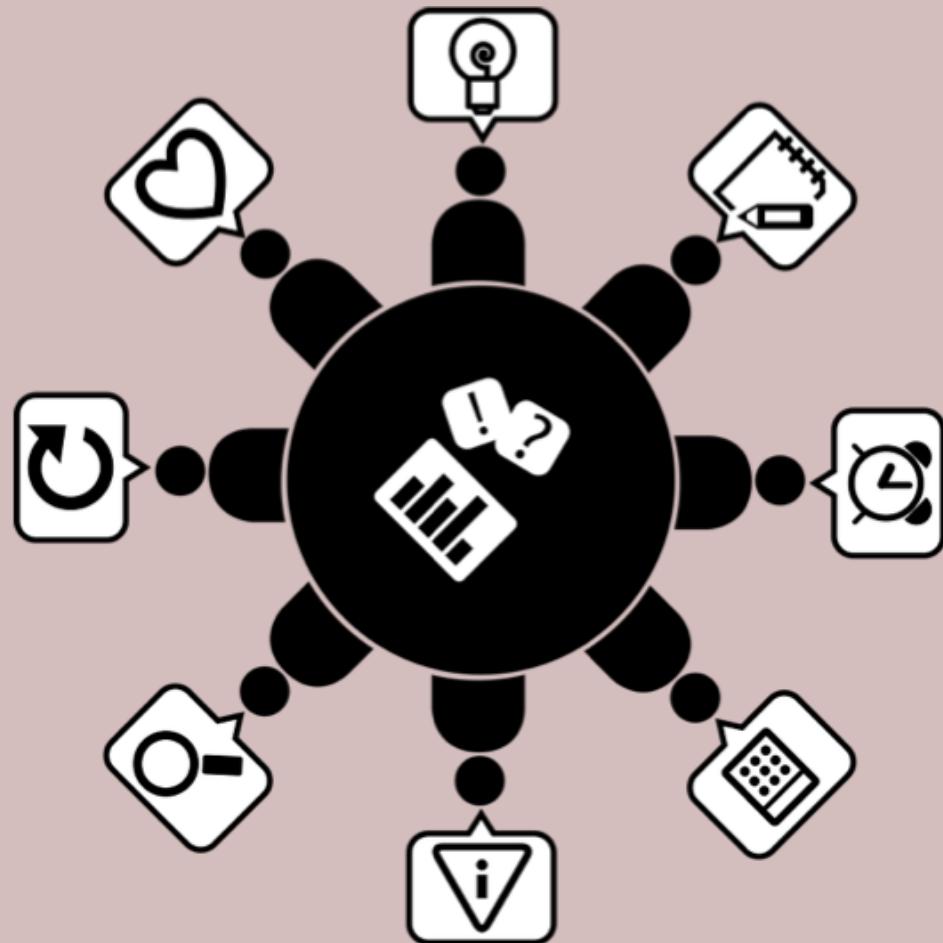


Communication and Info Sharing

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Communication and Info Sharing

- During an incident, how will you communicate and share information?



Internal Communication

- How will the CSIRT communicate amongst themselves and to leadership?
- How will management communicate to the other employees?



Internal Communication

- Incident response plan dictates how you will communicate during an incident
- Use an out-of-band communication



External Communication

- When will you communicate with outside people like law enforcement, media, shareholders, and others?
- Your incident response plan should state when...



External Communication

- Law Enforcement
 - If incident involves criminal acts (ask attorney first)
- Information Sharing Partners
 - Do you want to share indications of your incident?
- Vendors
 - Can provide patches and support during incident
- Other organizations affected
 - Do you have evidence others were targeted?
- Media or General Public
 - May be mandatory depending on type of incident
 - Do you volunteer the information to the media?





Incident Classification

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Incident Classification

- All incidents should be classified by their threat and severity
- Allows comparison of current incident with past and future ones
- Aids in personnel's understanding of the incident being worked on



Classifying Threats

- External or Removable Media
 - Attack executed by removable media or peripheral
- Attrition
 - Attack employing brute-force to compromise, deny, or degrade services, systems, or networks
- Web
 - Attack executed from web-based application or site
- Email
 - Attack executed from email or attachment



Classifying Threats

- Impersonation
 - Attack that replaces something benign with something malicious (spoofing, SQL inject, etc)
- Improper Usage
 - Violation of organization's AUP (P2P program)
- Loss or Theft of Equipment
 - Computing device or media is lost or stolen
- Unknown
 - Attack that comes from an unknown origin



Classifying Threats

- Other
 - Attack that comes from a known origin, but doesn't fit into the other categories
- Advanced Persistent Threat (APT)
 - Not a category under NIST, but prevalent today
 - Often funded by nation states, organized crime, or other sources
 - Highly skilled and sophisticated attackers
 - Often takes advantage of zero-day vulnerabilities



Classifying Severity: Scope of Impact

- Degree of impairment that an incident causes an organization and the effort to recover from the incident
- Functional impact
 - Degree of impairment to an organization
- Economic impact
 - Amount of financial loss to an organization
- Recoverability impact
 - Amount of time lost by an organization

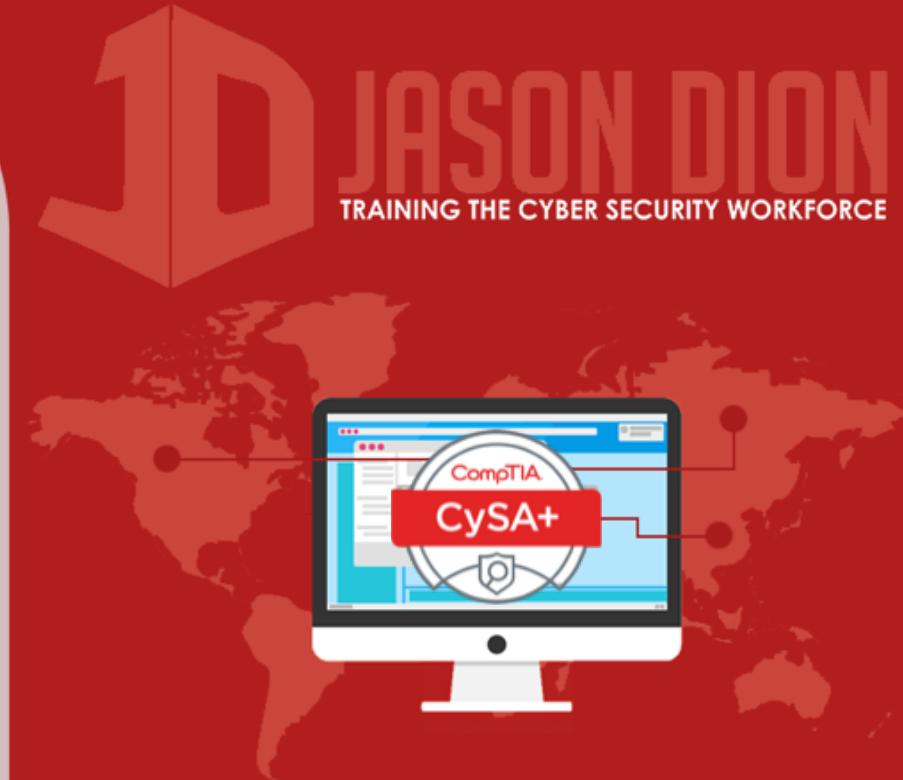


Classifying Severity: Scope of Impact

- Functional impact
 - Degree of impairment to an organization

Category	Definition
None	None; No effect to the organization's ability to provide all services to all users
Low	Minimal effect; the organization can still provide all critical services to all users but has lost efficiency
Medium	Organization has lost the ability to provide a critical service to a subset of system users
High	Organization is no longer able to provide some critical services to any users

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Classifying Severity: Scope of Impact

- Economic impact
 - Amount of financial loss to an organization

Category	Definition
None	None; No financial loss experienced by the organization
Low	Minimal effect; the organization expects to experience a loss of \$25,000 or less
Medium	Organization expects to experience a loss of \$25,000 to \$999,999
High	Organization expects to experience a loss of \$1,000,000 or more

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Classifying Severity: Scope of Impact

- Recoverability impact
 - Amount of time lost by an organization

Category	Definition
Regular	Time to recovery is predictable with existing resources
Supplemented	Time to recovery is predictable with additional resources
Extended	Time to recovery is unpredictable; additional resources and outside help are needed
Not Recoverable	Recovery from the incident is not possible (such as sensitive data exfiltrated and posted publically); launch investigation

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Classifying Severity: Types of Data

- The type of data involved in the incident also affects the classification of severity
- Information impact
 - Degree of information compromise during incident



Classifying Severity: Types of Data

- Information impact (Government)
 - Degree of information compromise during incident

Category	Definition
None	No information was exfiltrated, changed, deleted, or otherwise compromised
Privacy Breach	Sensitive PII of taxpayers, employees, beneficiaries, etc was accessed or exfiltrated
Proprietary Breach	Unclassified proprietary information, such as protected critical infrastructure information was accessed or exfiltrated
Integrity Loss	Sensitive or proprietary information was changed or deleted

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Classifying Severity: Types of Data

- Information impact (Private Company)
 - Degree of information compromise during incident

Category	Definition
None	No information was exfiltrated, changed, deleted, or otherwise compromised
Regulated Information Breach	Information regulated by an external compliance obligation was accessed or exfiltrated (GLBA, SOX, HIPAA, etc)
Intellectual Proprietary Breach	Sensitive proprietary information was accessed or exfiltrated
Confidential Proprietary Breach	Corporate confidential information was accessed or exfiltrated
Integrity Loss	Sensitive or proprietary information was changed or deleted

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Network Event Monitoring

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Network Event Monitoring

- Network event analysis is a common task for cybersecurity analysts
- Gather, correlate, and analyze data from different systems/sensors on network
- Used to detect or prevent incidents



Router-based Monitoring

- Provides data flow on the network and information on the status of the device
- Relies on capturing the data about the traffic passing through a router
- Called *network flows*

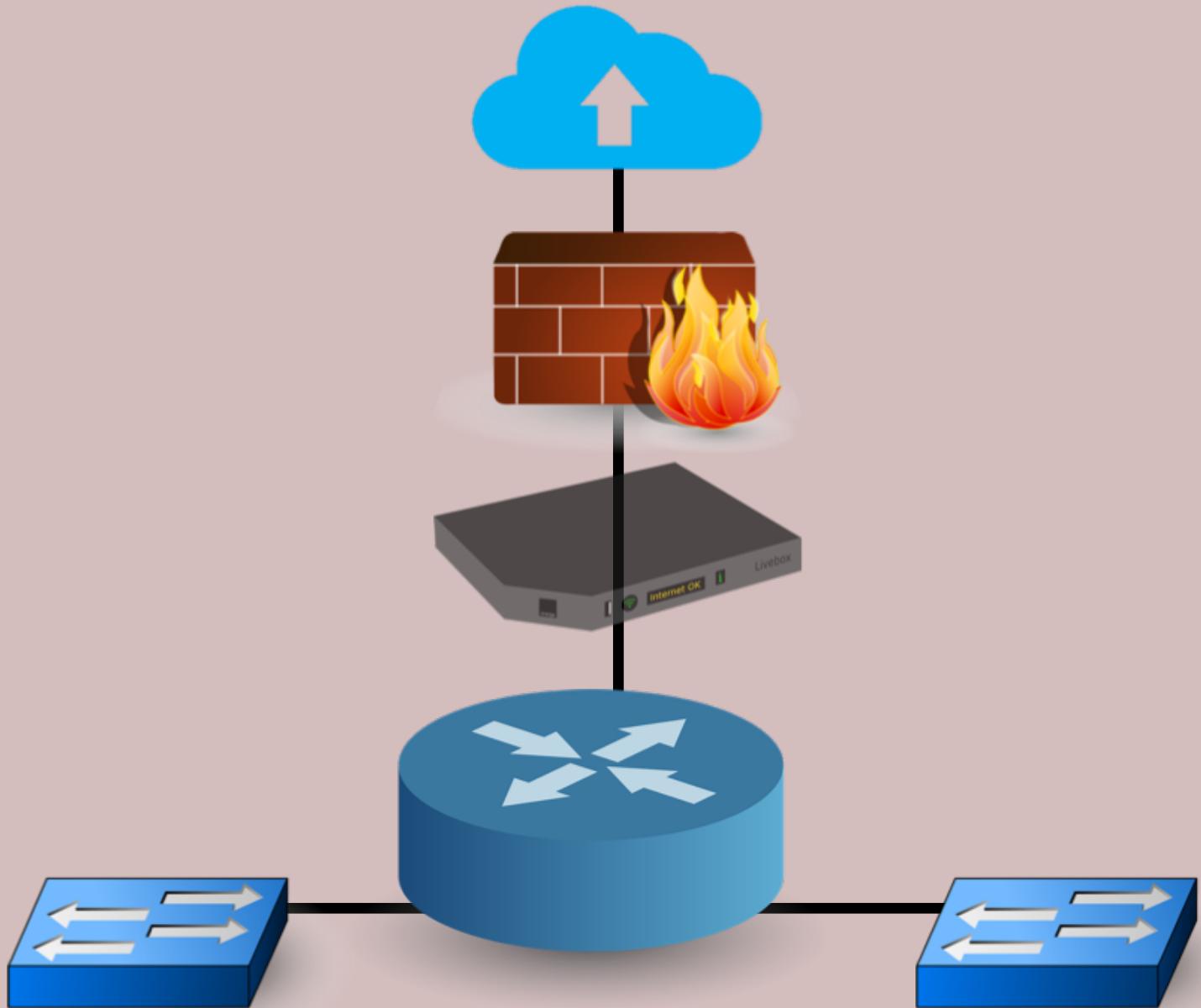


Network Flows

- Netflow, sFlow, J-Flow, ...
 - All are standards for monitoring traffic flows
 - Count information about the traffic at the interface
 - Samples traffic (1:100, 1:1000, etc)
- RMON
 - Operates at layers 1, 2, 3, 4 of the OSI model
 - Operates as client/server model with probes
 - Provides statistics, history, alarms, and events to a Management Information Base (MIB)
- SNMP (Simple Network Management)
 - Collects information about routers/switches
 - Information is about the devices themselves, not the traffic crossing those devices



Network Flows



Example Network Flows

Palo-NetFlow02 Refresh 20 5 Active 1.pcap

File Edit View Go Capture Analyze Statistics Telephony Wireless Tools Help

(((cflow.packets == 1) && !(cflow.dport == 3000))) && !(cflow.protocol == 58)

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Dst Port	Protocol	Length	Info
1808	427.930923	2003:51:6012:120::2	2003:51:6012:120::10	2055	CFL0W	802	total: 8 (v9) records Obs-Domain-ID= 1 [Data-Template:256] [Data-Template:260] [Data-Template:...
1830	431.833416	2003:51:6012:120::2	2003:51:6012:120::10	2055	CFL0W	802	total: 8 (v9) records Obs-Domain-ID= 1 [Data-Template:256] [Data-Template:260] [Data-Template:...
1847	436.824994	2003:51:6012:120::2	2003:51:6012:120::10	2055	CFL0W	1457	total: 17 (v9) records Obs-Domain-ID= 1 [Data:258] [Data:258] [Data:260] [Data:258] [Data:258]...
1852	437.599841	2003:51:6012:120::2	2003:51:6012:120::10	2055	CFL0W	802	total: 8 (v9) records Obs-Domain-ID= 1 [Data-Template:256] [Data-Template:260] [Data-Template:...
1874	443.482449	2003:51:6012:120::2	2003:51:6012:120::10	2055	CFL0W	802	total: 8 (v9) records Obs-Domain-ID= 1 [Data-Template:256] [Data-Template:260] [Data-Template:...
1896	448.318078	2003:51:6012:120::2	2003:51:6012:120::10	2055	CFL0W	802	total: 8 (v9) records Obs-Domain-ID= 1 [Data-Template:256] [Data-Template:260] [Data-Template:...
1918	450.325572	2003:51:6012:120::2	2003:51:6012:120::10	2055	CFL0W	802	total: 8 (v9) records Obs-Domain-ID= 1 [Data-Template:256] [Data-Template:260] [Data-Template:...
1940	452.825382	2003:51:6012:120::2	2003:51:6012:120::10	2055	CFL0W	802	total: 8 (v9) records Obs-Domain-ID= 1 [Data-Template:256] [Data-Template:260] [Data-Template:...
1962	455.824958	2003:51:6012:120::2	2003:51:6012:120::10	2055	CFL0W	802	total: 8 (v9) records Obs-Domain-ID= 1 [Data-Template:256] [Data-Template:260] [Data-Template:...
1984	460.826957	2003:51:6012:120::2	2003:51:6012:120::10	2055	CFL0W	802	total: 8 (v9) records Obs-Domain-ID= 1 [Data-Template:256] [Data-Template:260] [Data-Template:...
2006	467.723407	2003:51:6012:120::2	2003:51:6012:120::10	2055	CFL0W	802	total: 8 (v9) records Obs-Domain-ID= 1 [Data-Template:256] [Data-Template:260] [Data-Template:...

No.	Time	Source	Destination
1808	427.930923	2003:51:6012:120::2	2003:51:6012:120::10
1830	431.833416	2003:51:6012:120::2	2003:51:6012:120::10

	Dst Port	Protocol	Length
	2055	CFL0W	802
	2055	CFL0W	802

Info

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Example Network Flows

NetFlow Collection Status x Interface Status x

Filter Domain : NinjaNet Time : Today Exporter : Ichqgw01 (10.201.0.1)

Interface Status - 16 records

Exporter	Interface	Direction	Interface ...	Current Utilization	Current Traffic ...	Maximum Utilization	Maximum Traffic ...
Ichqgw01 (10.201.0.1)	VL1	Inbound	1G	10.87% <div style="width: 10.87%;"></div>	108.74M	10.9% <div style="width: 10.9%;"></div>	108.96M
Ichqgw01 (10.201.0.1)	VL240	Outbound	10M	4.13% <div style="width: 4.13%;"></div>	413.43k	5.35% <div style="width: 5.35%;"></div>	535.14k
Ichqgw01 (10.201.0.1)	VL240	Inbound	10M	3.58% <div style="width: 3.58%;"></div>	358.25k	48.48% <div style="width: 48.48%; background-color: orange;"></div>	4.85M
Ichqgw01 (10.201.0.1)	VL203	Inbound	1G	1.19% <div style="width: 1.19%;"></div>	11.92M	1.25% <div style="width: 1.25%;"></div>	12.46M
Ichqgw01 (10.201.0.1)	VL202	Outbound	1G	1.09% <div style="width: 1.09%;"></div>	10.89M	1.09% <div style="width: 1.09%;"></div>	10.89M
Ichqgw01 (10.201.0.1)	VL202	Inbound	1G	0.6% <div style="width: 0.6%;"></div>	6.02M	0.72% <div style="width: 0.72%;"></div>	7.17M
Ichqgw01 (10.201.0.1)	VL1	Outbound	1G	0.4% <div style="width: 0.4%;"></div>	4M	0.82% <div style="width: 0.82%;"></div>	8.17M
Ichqgw01 (10.201.0.1)	ifIndex-0	Outbound	1G	0.29% <div style="width: 0.29%;"></div>	2.94M	0.31% <div style="width: 0.31%;"></div>	3.08M
Ichqgw01 (10.201.0.1)	VL203	Outbound	1G	0.27% <div style="width: 0.27%;"></div>	2.69M	0.27% <div style="width: 0.27%;"></div>	2.69M
Ichqgw01 (10.201.0.1)	VL232	Outbound	1G	0.14% <div style="width: 0.14%;"></div>	1.42M	0.14% <div style="width: 0.14%;"></div>	1.42M
Ichqgw01 (10.201.0.1)	VL210	Outbound	1G	0.08% <div style="width: 0.08%;"></div>	829.14k	0.11% <div style="width: 0.11%;"></div>	1.06M
Ichqgw01 (10.201.0.1)	VL232	Inbound	1G	0.05% <div style="width: 0.05%;"></div>	457.91k	0.06% <div style="width: 0.06%;"></div>	554.58k
Ichqgw01 (10.201.0.1)	VL210	Inbound	1G	<0.01% <div style="width: 0.01%;"></div>	56.75k	0.01% <div style="width: 0.01%;"></div>	100.87k



SNMP v3

- Simple Network Management Protocol
- Adds encryptions, authentication, and user capabilities to SNMP traffic
- SNMP v1 and SNMP v2 are considered obsolete and a security risk



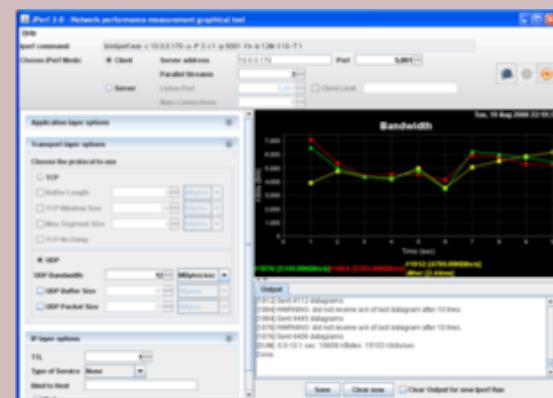
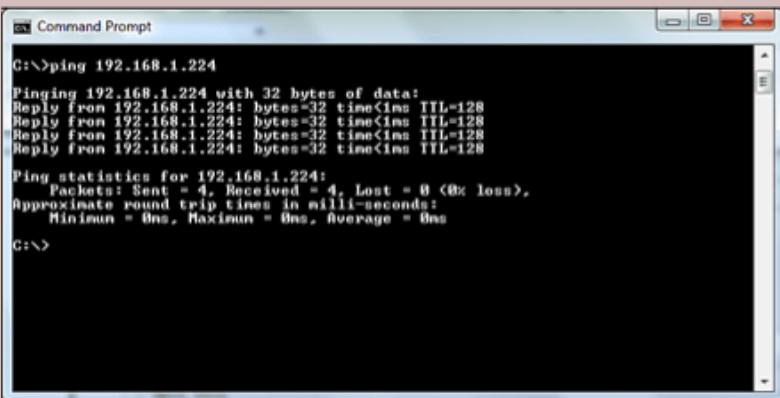
Active Monitoring

- Request is sent to a remote system and data is collected from the end point
- Data contains information about:
 - Availability
 - Routes
 - Packet delays
 - Packet loss
 - Bandwidth



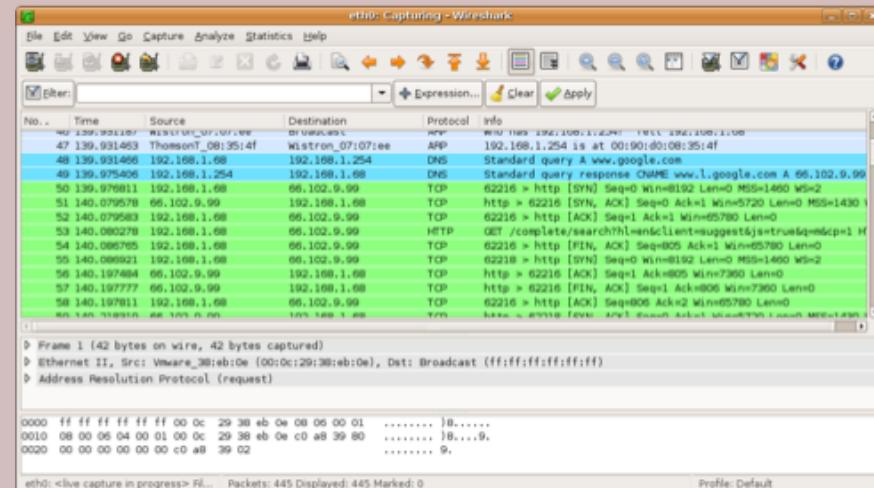
Active Monitoring (Examples)

- Ping
 - Data acquired by using ICMP on remote system
 - Basic up and down information and latency only
- iPerf
 - Measures maximum bandwidth of a given network
 - Remote testing of a link
 - Useful to determine a baseline of the network



Passive Monitoring

- Uses a network tap to copy all traffic between two devices
- Useful for after-the-fact analysis
- Detailed information about:
 - Rate of traffic
 - Protocols used
 - Content





Network Monitoring Tools

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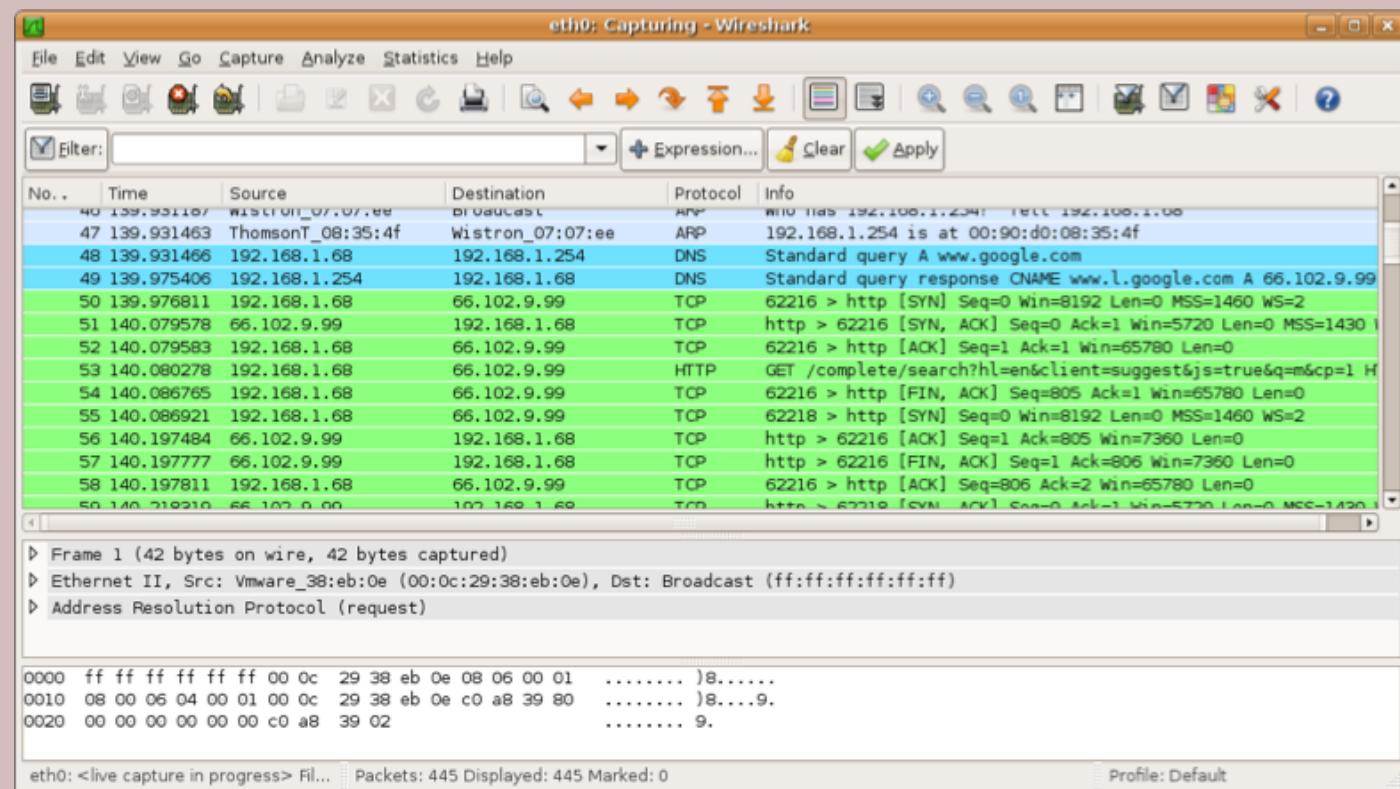
Network Monitoring Tools

- Many network monitoring tools are available for different use cases
- Combination of network data is more powerful than a single piece of data
- Different tools can analyze data in different ways, as well

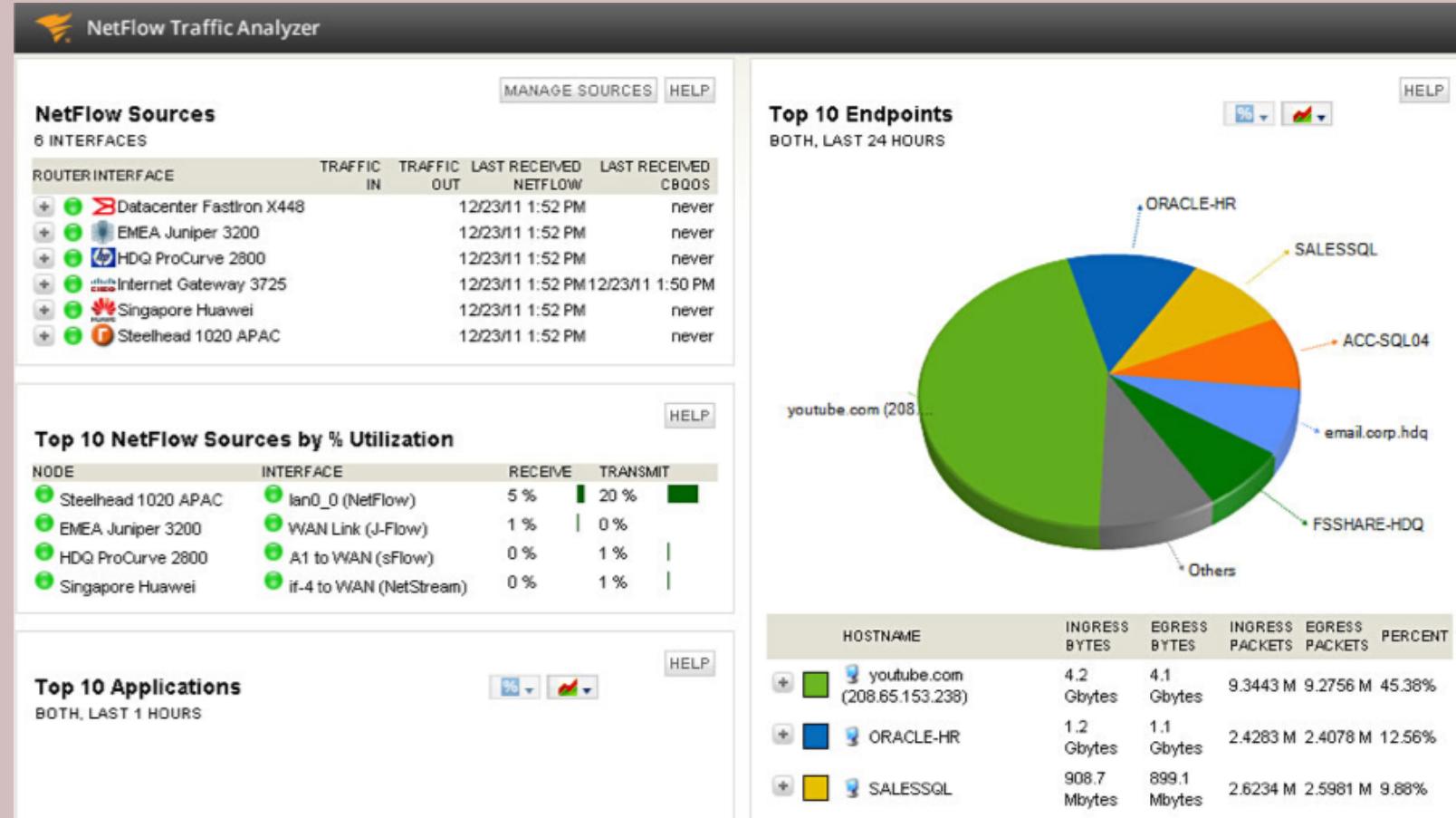


Wireshark

- Passive monitoring and packet capture
- Used for packet analysis



SolarWinds: NetFlow Traffic Analyzer



<http://demo.solarwinds.com>



SolarWinds: Network Performance Monitor

NPM Summary

All Nodes managed by NPM
GROUPED BY REGION

- APAC
- EMEA
- North America
 - 3Com
 - Switch sales
 - American Power Conversion Corp.
 - APC NetBotz
 - Aruba Networks Inc
 - Avaya Communication
 - Cisco
 - Compatible Systems Corp.
 - Dell Computer Corporation
 - Extreme Networks
 - F5 Networks, Inc.
 - FlowPoint Corporation
 - Foundry Networks, Inc.
 - HP
 - IBM
 - Juniper Networks, Inc.
 - Juniper Networks/NetScreen
 - Linksys
 - Linux
 - Meraki Networks, Inc.
 - Multi-Tech Systems, Inc.

Hardware Health Overview

Nodes Count: 37

Status	Count
Up	23
Warning	3
Critical	7
Undefined	4

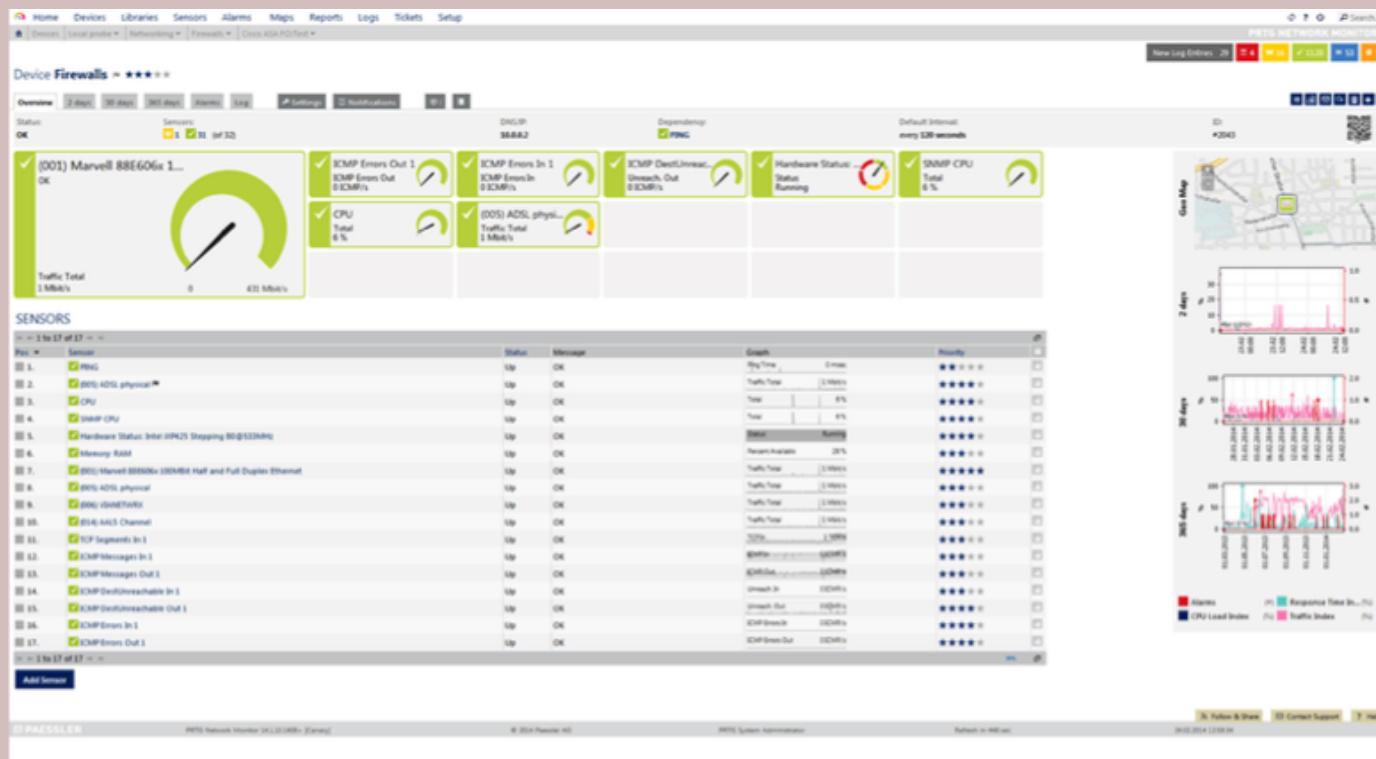
High Errors & Discards Today
INTERFACES WITH ERRORS+DISCARDS GREATER THAN 10000 TODAY

NODE	INTERFACE	RECEIVE ERRORS	RECEIVE DISCARDS	TRANSMIT ERRORS	TRANSMIT DISCARDS
PERM_TEX-MDS9120-76-76	fc1/5	0 errors	0 discards	5,582,170,112 errors	5,808,010 discards
PERM_AP6511-E6C8C0	fe4	64,088,776 errors	78,073,384 discards	0 errors	0 discards
PERM_AP6511-E6C8C0	fe2	100,061,432 errors	2,349 discards	0 errors	0 discards
PERM_TEX-MDS9120-76-76	fc1/6	0 errors	0 discards	5,808,179 errors	10,024,648 discards
PHX-NEXUS 1000V	port-channel1	0 errors	1,244,402 discards	0 errors	0 discards

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- Paessler Router Traffic Grapher
- Server monitoring, network monitoring, and bandwidth monitoring



- Packet sniffing
 - Monitors packet headers to determine traffic type
- Flows
 - Collects information about connections
- SNMP
 - Network devices report about events through traps
- WMI (Windows Management Instrumentation)
 - Management data of the operating system using scripts or application access



Nagios

- Network and system log monitoring tool
- Provides GUI for system, services, and monitoring capabilities

Nagios Uruguay - Uruguay

Hosts	0 Up	0 Down	0 Unreachable	0 Pending	
Services	0 Ok	0 Warning	0 Unknown	0 Critical	0 Pending

Argentina - IT - Argentina

Hosts	0 Up	0 Down	0 Unreachable	0 Pending	
Services	0 Ok	0 Warning	0 Unknown	0 Critical	0 Pending

Nagios Core Demo - Atlanta, GA

Hosts	11 Up	0 Down	0 Unreachable	0 Pending		
Services	36 Ok	1 Warning	1 Unhandled	2 Critical	2 Unhandled	0 Pending



Nagios

- “Critical” in Nagios isn’t based on CVE’s, but by thresholds you set during config

Nagios

General

- Home
- Documentation

Monitoring

- Tactical Overview
- Service Detail
- Host Detail
- Hostgroup Overview
- Hostgroup Summary
- Hostgroup Grid
- Servicegroup Overview
- Servicegroup Summary
- Servicegroup Grid
- Status Map
- 2-D Status Map
- Service Problems
- Host Problems
- Network Outages

Show Host:

- Comments
- Downtime
- Process Info
- Performance Info
- Scheduling Queue

Reporting

- Trends
- Availability
- Alert Histogram
- Alert History
- Alert Summary
- Notifications
- Event Log

Configuration

- View Config

Current Network Status
Last Updated: Sun Jan 17 20:52 CET 2006
Updated every 30 seconds
Nagios® - www.nagios.org
Logged in as z7490r

[View History For All Hosts](#)
[View Notifications For All Hosts](#)
[View Host Status Detail For All Hosts](#)

Host Status Totals

Up	Down	Unreachable	Pending
296	2	0	0

[All Problems](#) [All Types](#)

Service Status Totals

Ok	Warning	Unknown	Critical	Pending
3038	3	2	8	0

[All Problems](#) [All Types](#)

Service Status Details For All Hosts

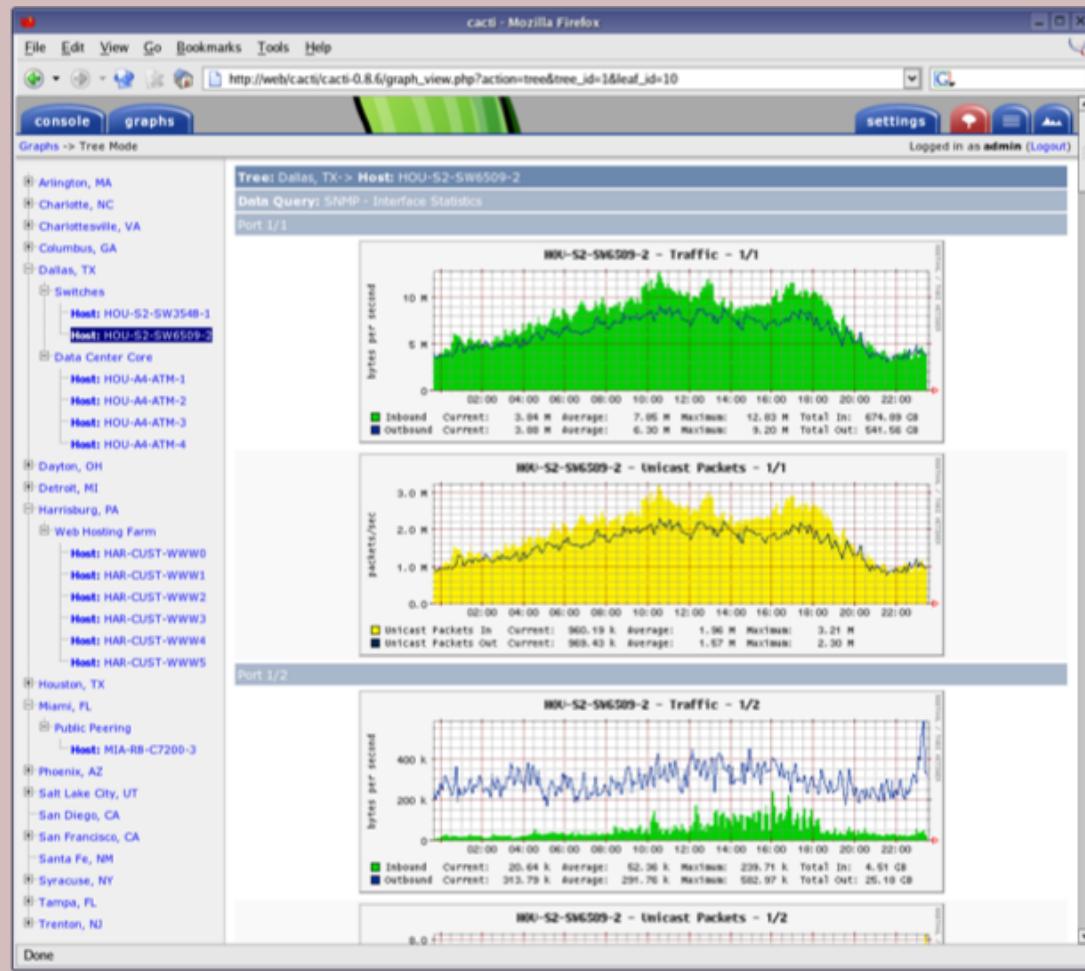
Host	Service	Status	Last Check	Duration	Attempt	Status Information
LE-DM001	LinuxShield	CRITICAL	01-01-2006 17:26:12	5d 20h 27m 53s	55	No process matching name found : CRITICAL
LE-DM002	LinuxShield	CRITICAL	01-01-2006 17:26:26	5d 7h 57m 56s	55	No process matching name found : CRITICAL
EV-MR002	N	UNKNOWN	01-01-2006 17:26:44	2d 7h 53m 6s	15	HP Agents Status Unknown
	NRM	N	01-01-2006 17:27:53	2d 7h 52m 0s	15	CRITICAL - Socket timeout after 10 seconds
	PING	CRITICAL	01-01-2006 17:26:05	2d 7h 51m 48s	15	CRITICAL - Plugin timed out after 10 seconds
EV-JOH002	N	UNKNOWN	01-01-2006 17:26:05	10d 7h 7m 7s	15	HP Agents Status Unknown
	NRM	N	01-01-2006 17:26:28	10d 7h 6m 10s	15	CRITICAL - Socket timeout after 10 seconds
	PING	CRITICAL	01-01-2006 17:26:45	10d 7h 7m 6s	15	CRITICAL - Plugin timed out after 10 seconds
EV-GM002	N	WARNING	01-01-2006 17:28:15	0d 2h 11m 58s	55	HP Agents Status Degraded
EV_HALL02	N	WARNING	01-01-2006 17:25:04	0d 23h 28m 0s	55	HP Agents Status Degraded
EV_MAN02	N	CRITICAL	01-01-2006 17:27:54	2d 11h 41m 10s	55	HP Agents Status Failed
EV_SP102	N	WARNING	01-01-2006 17:28:31	68d 21h 1m 37s	55	HP Agents Status Degraded
EV_TAM02	N	CRITICAL	01-01-2006 17:27:23	13d 4h 32m 10s	55	HP Agents Status Failed

13 Matching Service Entries Displayed



Cacti

- Uses SNMP polling of network devices for status information and shows a GUI





Detecting Network Events

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Detecting Network Events

- Cybersecurity analysts should be able to determine an incident based on events
- Analysis of logs and other data are key to understanding if an event will become an incident
- Types of Network Events:
 - Beacons
 - Unusual bandwidth consumption
 - Link and connection failures
 - Unexpected traffic



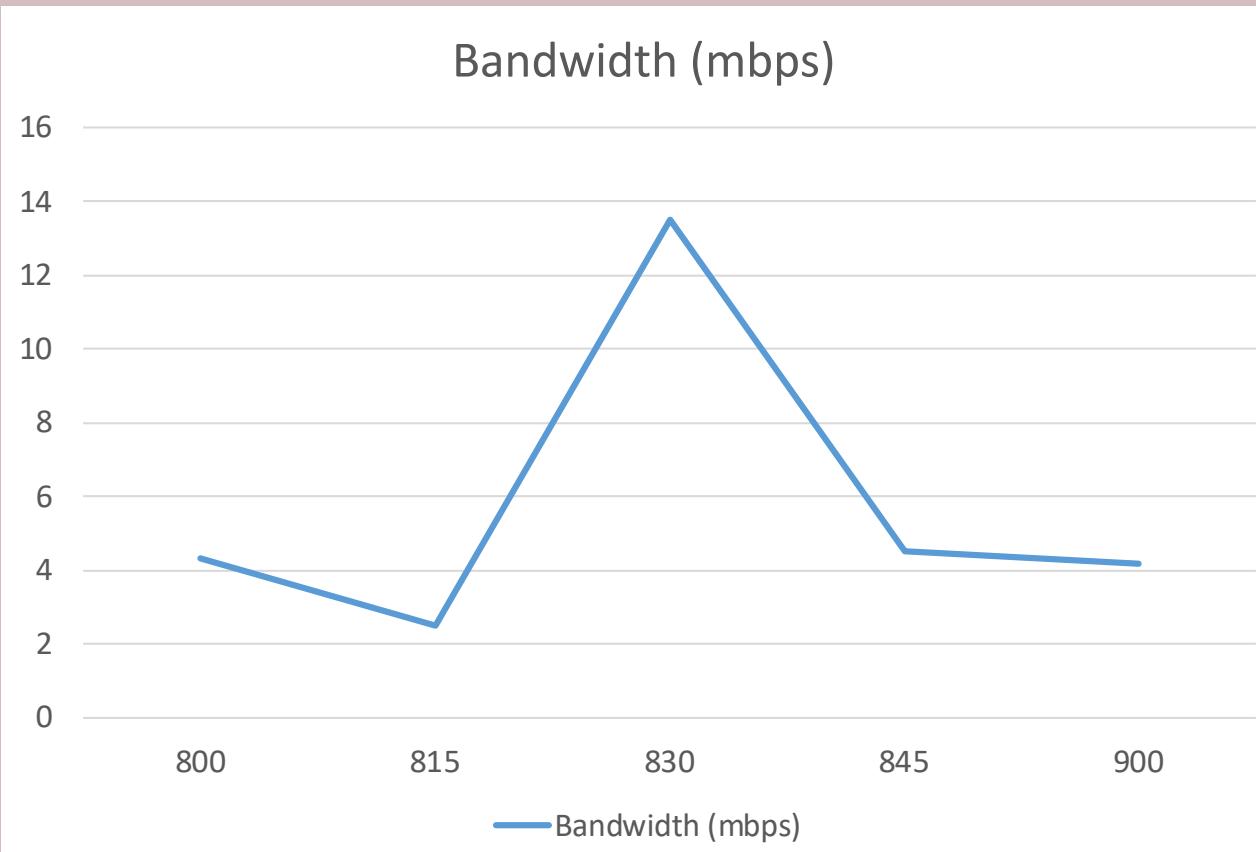
Beaconing

- Beaconing or a heartbeat sends a signal to a Command and Control system due to a botnet or malware infection
- Usually sent over HTTP or HTTPS
- Can be difficult to detect
- Generally occurs at a certain frequency or pattern



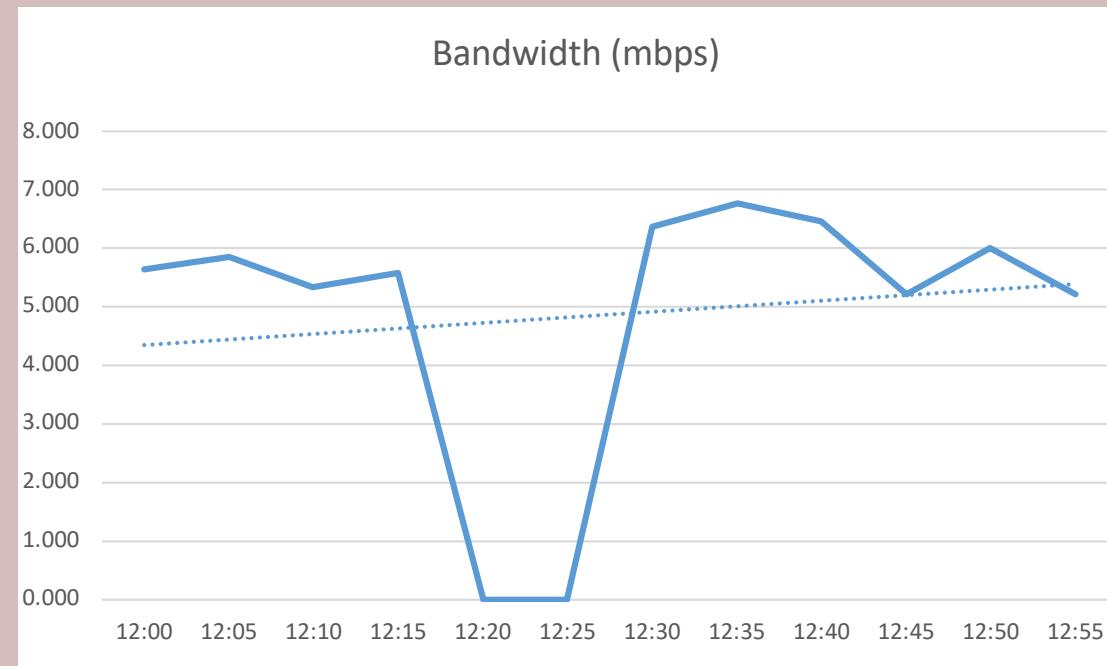
Unusual Bandwidth Consumption

- Unusual bandwidth consumption could cause service issues or can be a sign of larger trouble



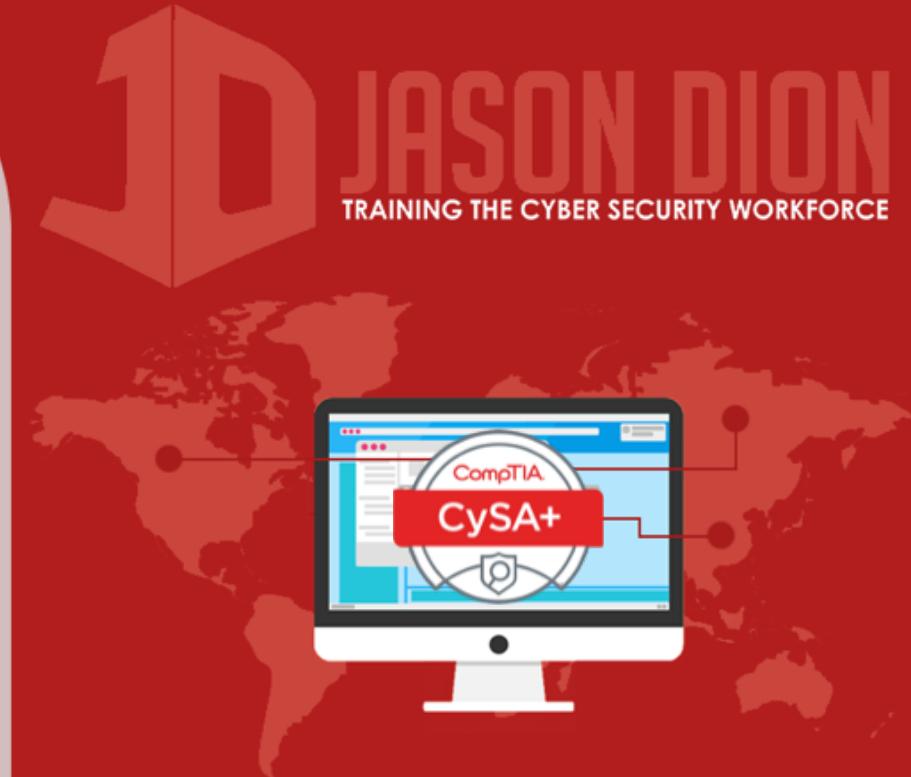
Link and Connection Failures

- Generally occur due to a hardware, firmware, or software issues
- Could be as simple as a bad module, broken cable, or unplugged connector



Unexpected Traffic

- Detected by IDS/IPS, traffic monitoring systems, or by manual observation
- Understanding your baseline is important
- Not all unexpected traffic is malicious, but it should be investigated/understood
- Could be unusual based on type of traffic, end point location, or amount



Detecting Unexpected Traffic

- Baselines or Anomaly-based
 - Monitoring system alarm based on traffic that is outside the normal baseline
- Heuristics or Behavior-based
 - Uses signatures and defined rules to detect
- Protocol Analysis
 - Seeks to detect protocols where they aren't expected, like VPNs or IPv6 tunnels





Network Probes and Attacks

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Network Probes and Attacks

- Much of your incident handling will involve network probes and attacks
- Network probes are usually part of reconnaissance efforts and are easy to detect (like a port scan)



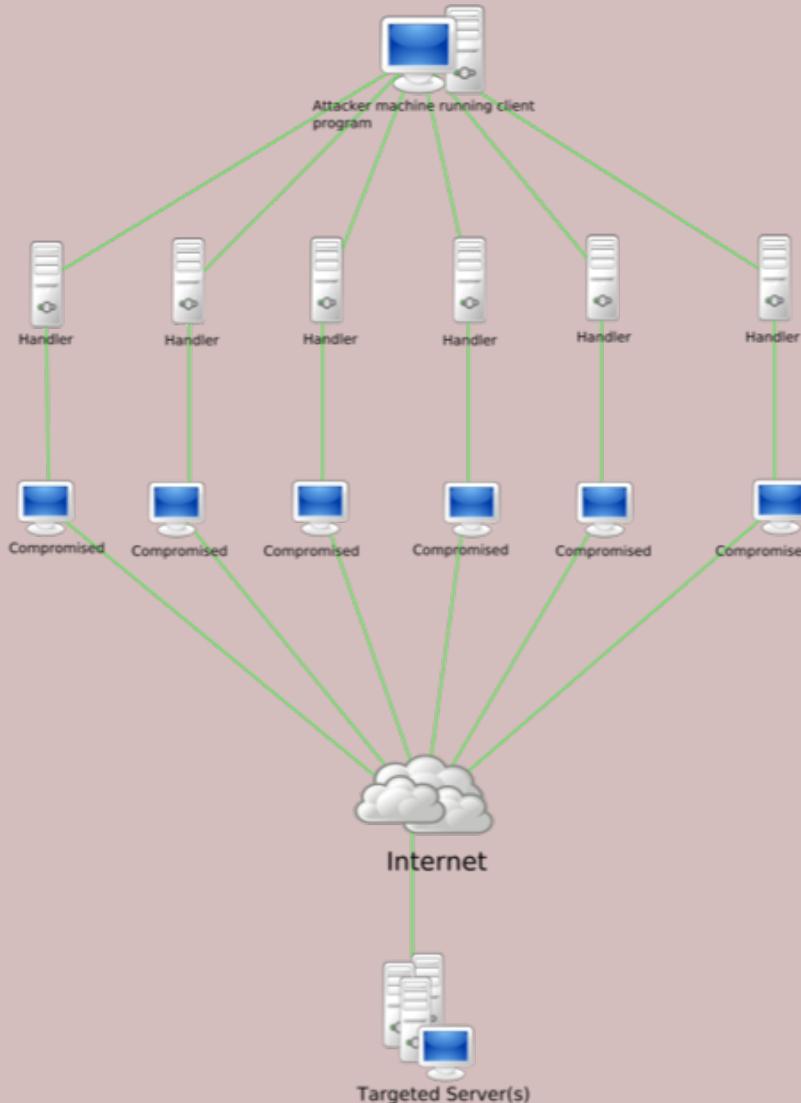
Denial of Service (DoS)

- **Detection:**
 - Attacks on a given network, system, or service from a single source
 - Attempts to overwhelm system or network
- **Prevention:**
 - Block the attacker using your firewall or IPS



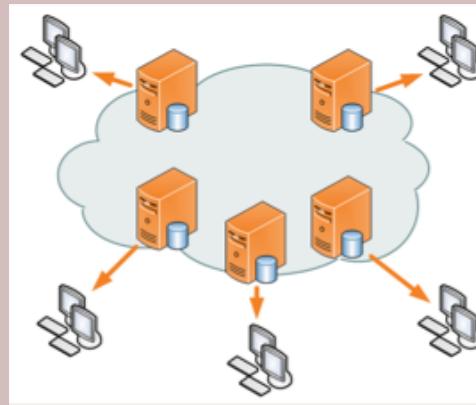
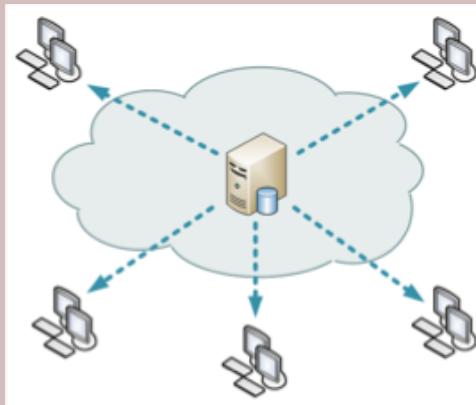
Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS)

- Attacks on a given network, system, or service from simultaneous multiple sources
- Attempts to overwhelm system or network



Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS)

- Detection:
 - Traffic coming from known botnet IPs
 - Monitoring your traffic and usage patterns
- Prevention:
 - Network designed with distributed network of endpoints (like Akamai)
 - Ensure your networks can scale upwards



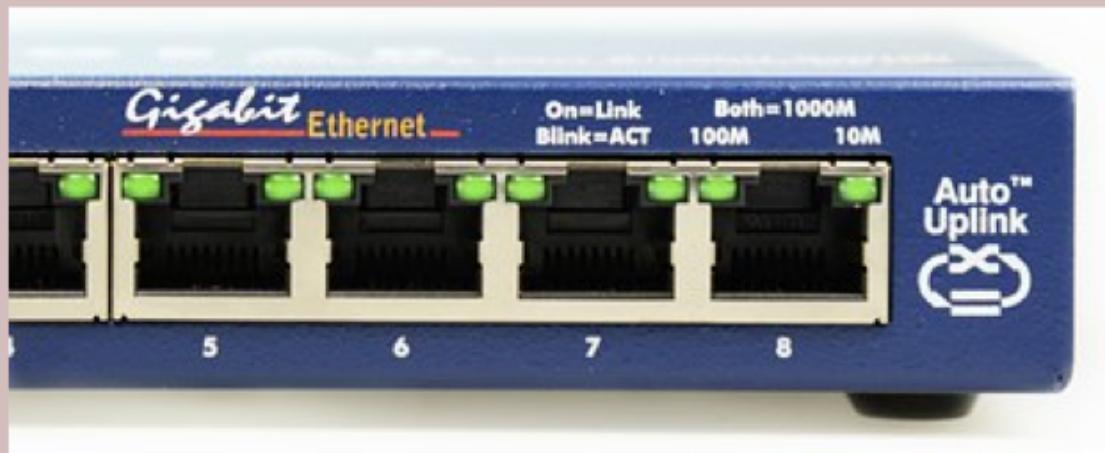
Detecting Rogue Devices

- MAC Address Validation
 - Ensure all devices are “Known Devices”
 - Check device MAC against vendor codes
- Scan the Network to identify devices
- Conduct physical site inspections
- Analyze traffic for irregular behavior



Rogue Wired Devices

- Usually occurs when an employee or attacker connects a wired device
 - Adds a switch or hub to the network
- Network Access Control and Port Security can prevent this occurring



Rogue Wireless Devices

- Can be detected by conducting wireless surveys and mapping the area
- Often used as an Evil Twin to trick users to connect to them and steal information





Server and Host Events

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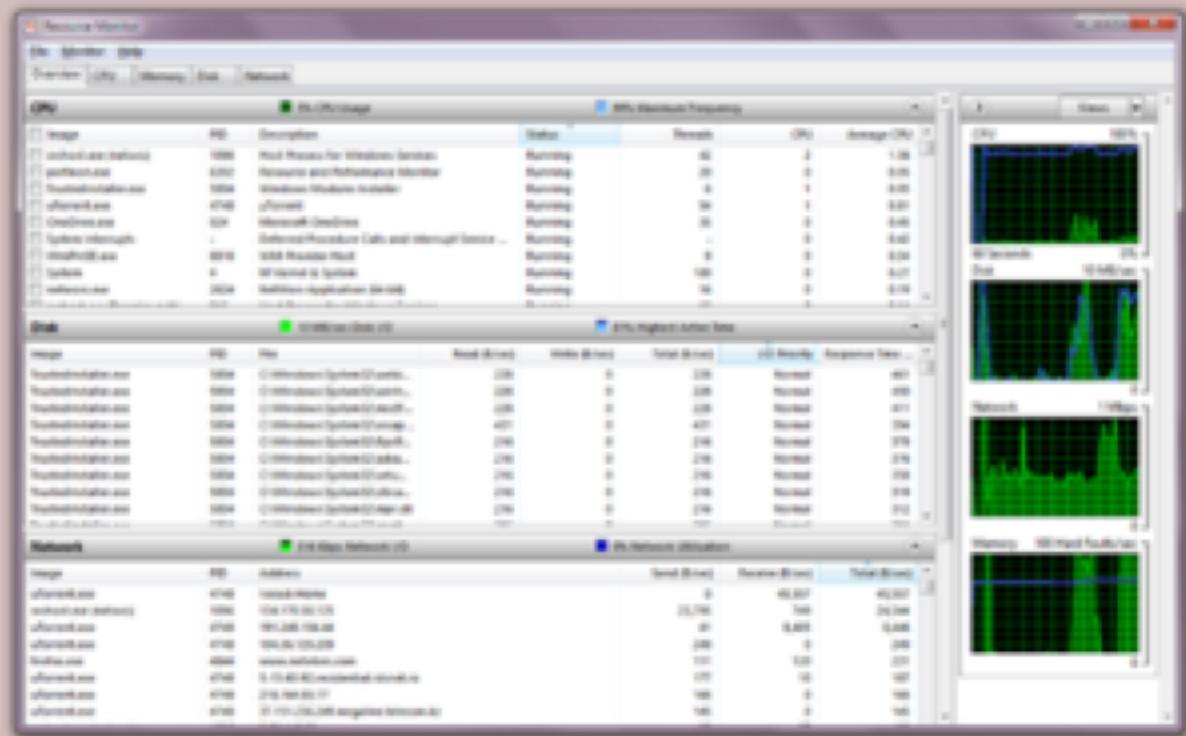
System Monitoring

- Processor (CPU), Memory, and Drives
- CPU attacks usually occur as DoS
- Memory is monitored by the OS based on given thresholds
 - Memory leaks occur when programs don't release memory after being terminated
 - Eventually, all memory can be used up
 - System restarted to release the memory



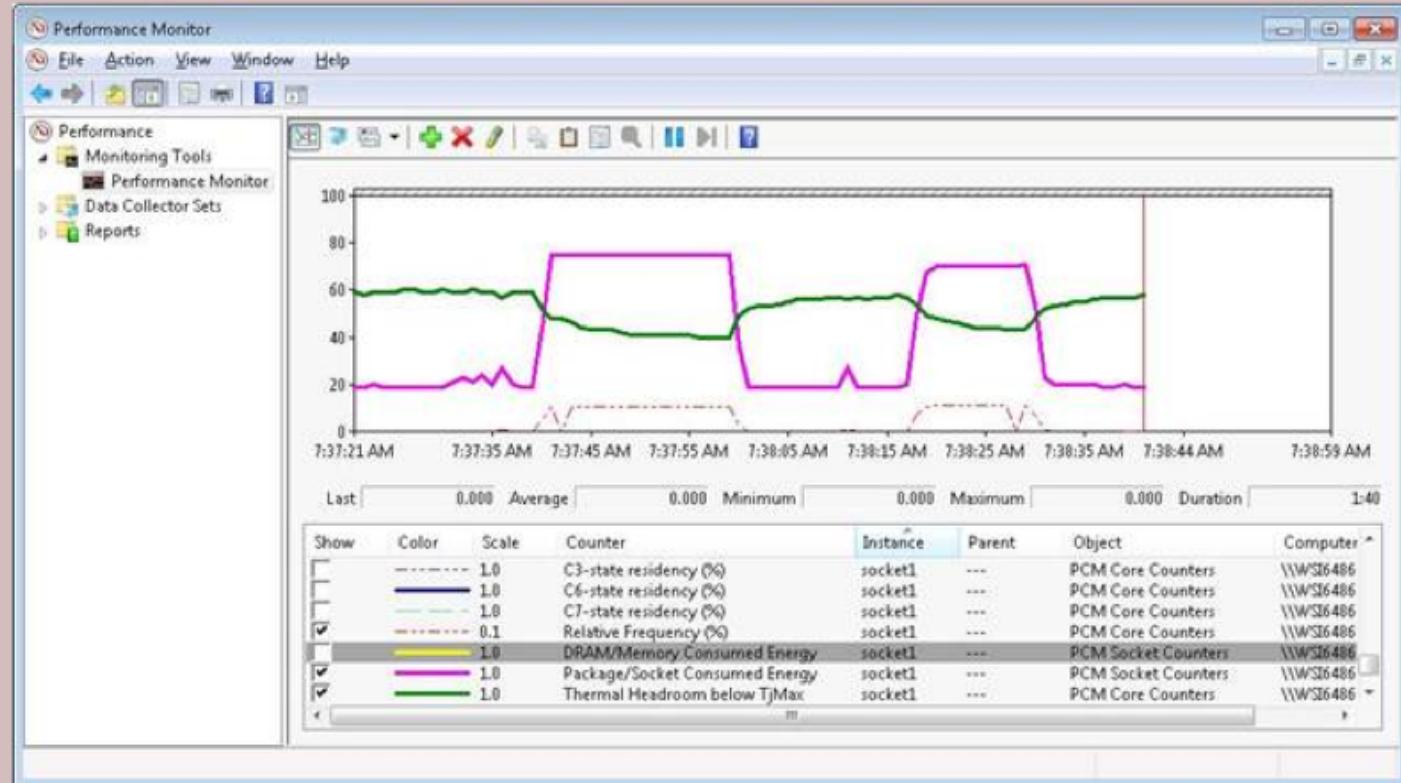
System Monitoring Tools: Windows

- Resource Monitor (or resmon)
 - Built-in Windows tool for monitoring
 - CPU, Memory, Disk, and Network Utilization



System Monitoring Tools: Windows

- Performance Monitor (or perfmon)
 - Built-in Windows tool for monitoring
 - Supports collection from remote systems



System Monitoring Tools: Linux

- ps
 - CPU and memory utilization, process info
- top
 - Like ps, but also provides sorting by top usage
- df
 - Report of disk usage
- w
 - Accounts logged on, who ran process



Malware and Unsupported Software

- Use centralized management tools to conduct installs and inventory
- Antivirus and antimalware tools
- Conduct blacklisting of software/files
- Application whitelisting



Unauthorized Access, Changes, and Privileges

- Users and permissions are complex with the number of systems in use
- Central Management tools (SIM/SIEM) can correlate logs for analysis
 - Authentication logs
 - User creation logs
 - System logs
 - Application logs
 - Security event logs





Service and Application Events

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Service/Application Events

- Services and Applications should be monitored per good ITSM processes
 - Are they up/down?
 - Are they responding properly?
 - Are they functioning properly?
 - Are they conducting transactions properly?
 - Are they logging properly?



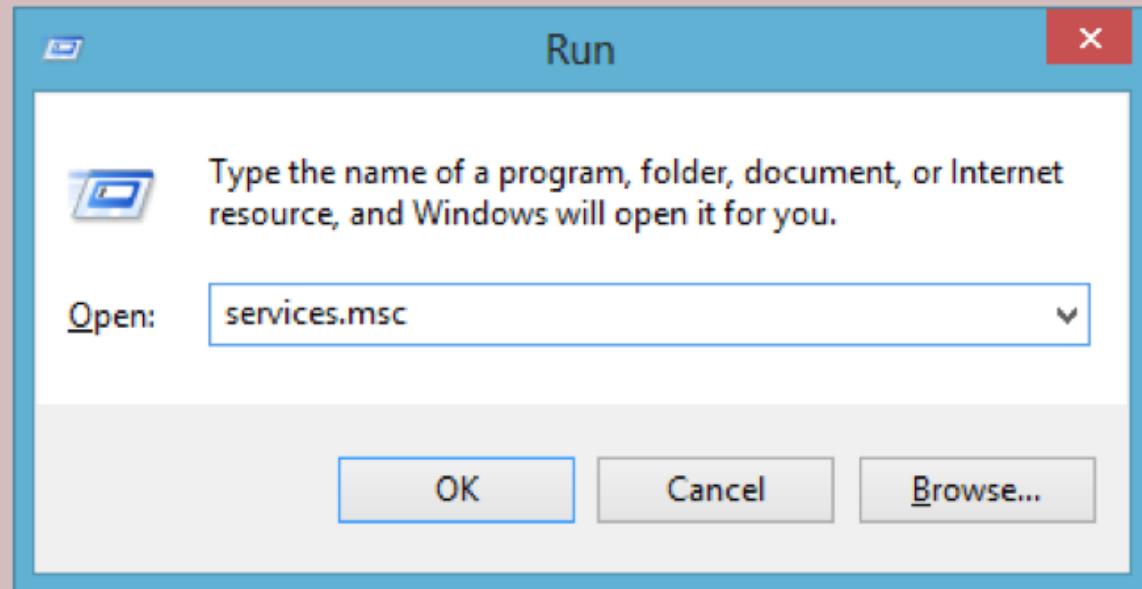
Service Anomalies

- Non-security issues:
 - Authentication errors
 - Permission issues
 - Services don't start on boot up
 - Service failures
- Investigate the issue to ensure it is not security related
- Use antivirus, antimalware, file integrity checking, and whitelisting to verify



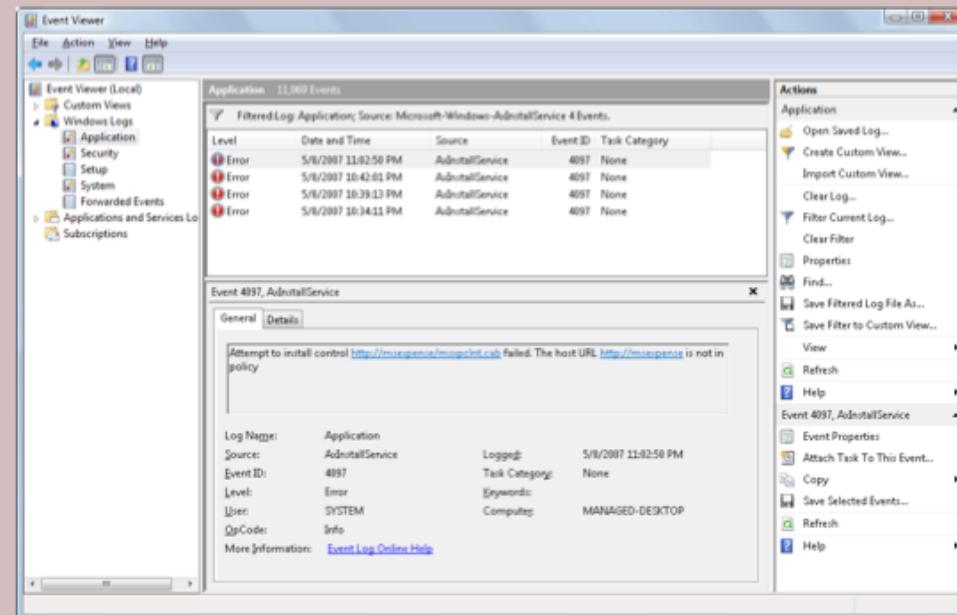
Checking Service Status

- Windows:
 - services.msc (GUI) or sc (command line)
- Linux:
 - service –status-all (command line)



Service/Application Logs

- Windows:
 - Use Windows Event Viewer to view Application Logs
- Linux:
 - Log to the /var/log directory
 - Use tail to view the end of the log files



Service/Application Behavior

- Create and understand a baseline
- Log/alert on anything outside of baseline

McAfee Host Intrusion Prevention

Task Edit View Help

IPS Policy | Evasion Policy | Application Policy | Blocked Hosts | Application Protection Log | Activity Log |

Use this tab to view activity logs.

Traffic Logging

Log All Blocked

Traffic

Applications

Ignores

Filter Options

Time	Event	IP Address/User	Application	Message
7/12/2010 3:12:32 PM	Traffic	15.255.101.110	HP SUM Source Repository Client (SourceClient)	Blocked Incoming TCP - Source 15.255.101.110 : (46089) Destination 15.255.146.195 : http (80)
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7/12/2010 3:13:14 PM	Traffic	15.255.101.110	HP SUM Source Repository Client (SourceClient)	Blocked Incoming TCP - Source 15.255.101.110 : (46089) Destination 15.255.146.195 : http (80)
7/12/2010 4:44:37 PM	Traffic	15.8.144.78	Host Process for Windows Services (svchost)	Blocked Incoming UDP - Source 15.8.144.78 : (1230) Destination 15.8.151.255 : ntp (123)
7/13/2010 1:00:55 PM	Traffic	15.255.101.110	HP SUM Source Repository Client (SourceClient)	Blocked Incoming TCP - Source 15.255.101.110 : (61323) Destination 15.255.146.195 : http (80)
7/13/2010 1:00:58 PM	Traffic	15.255.101.110	HP SUM Source Repository Client (SourceClient)	Blocked Incoming TCP - Source 15.255.101.110 : (61323) Destination 15.255.146.195 : http (80)
7/13/2010 1:01:04 PM	Traffic	15.255.101.110	HP SUM Source Repository Client (SourceClient)	Blocked Incoming TCP - Source 15.255.101.110 : (61323) Destination 15.255.146.195 : http (80)
7/13/2010 1:01:16 PM	Traffic	15.255.101.110	HP SUM Source Repository Client (SourceClient)	Blocked Incoming TCP - Source 15.255.101.110 : (61323) Destination 15.255.146.195 : http (80)
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Host IPS is enabled, Network IPS is enabled



Service/Application Attacks

- Anomalous Activity
 - Doesn't match the typical behavior
 - Investigate the activity and solve
- New Accounts
 - Were they authorized?
 - Do they have excessive permissions?
- Unexpected Output
 - Improper output or garbage output
 - User and admin training imperative to determining the root cause



Service/Application Attacks

- Unexpected outbound communication
 - Why is the application sending out data?
 - Detect with network monitoring
- Service Interruption
 - Simple issue or a DDoS?
 - Monitoring tools can help determine reason
- Memory Overflows
 - Causes OS errors and crashes
 - Monitoring for them is hard
 - Detecting after a crash is easier





Digital Forensics

CYBER INCIDENT RESPONSE

Digital Forensics

- Forensics are used to determine any changes, activities, or actions that have occurred on a host or server
- Allows incident responders to determine what occurred by putting together various pieces of information
- Similar techniques are used by incident response teams and law enforcement



Documentation in Digital Forensics

- Documentation is one of the most important steps in digital forensics
- Everything you do needs to be repeatable by a third-party investigator
- Chain of Custody is imperative for use in law enforcement



Forensics Toolkits

- Consist of specialized software and hardware to conduct imaging of hard disks and follow-on analysis
- Mobile devices require additional specialized tool kits





Forensic Toolkit Components

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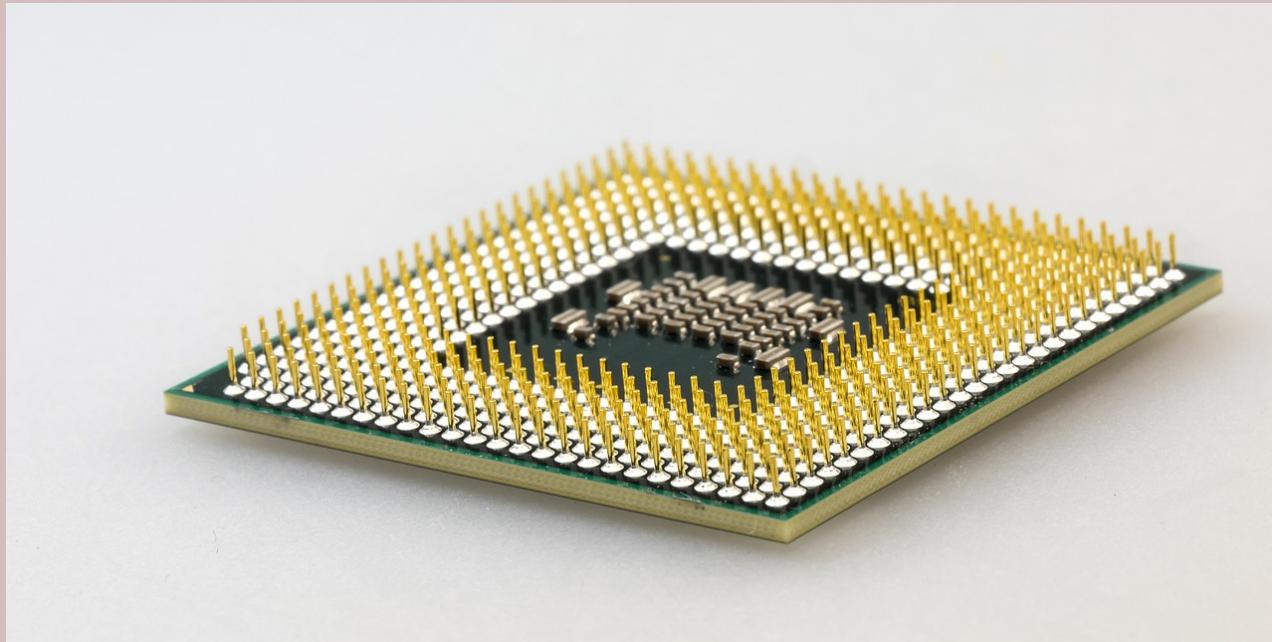
Forensic Toolkit

- Contain a wide variety of software and hardware needed to conduct collection and analysis of data in the field
- Toolkits vary widely in cost and capability



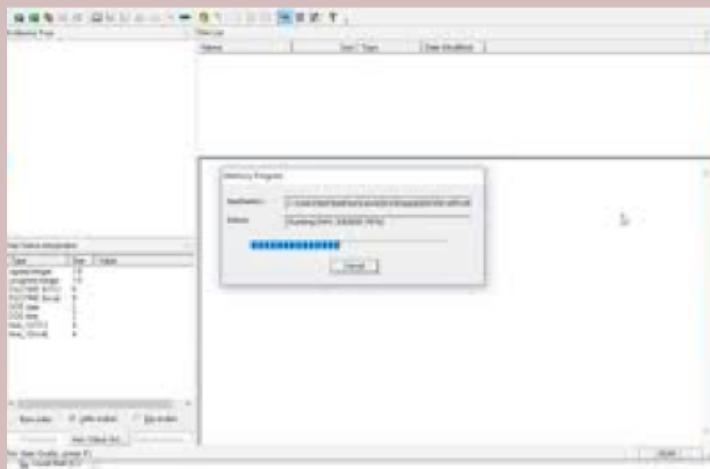
Digital Forensic Workstation

- Conducts data capture and analysis
 - Multicore CPU
 - Maximum RAM
 - Large, fast storage



Forensic Investigation Software

- Capture and analyze forensic images
- Document and track investigations
 - Forensic Toolkit (FTK)
 - EnCase
 - SANS Investigative Forensic Kit (SIFT)
 - The Sleuth Kit (TSK)



Write Blocker

- Ensures hard drives being imaged cannot be written to or its data changed
 - Hardware variants
 - Software variants
- Ensures integrity of the captured disk



Forensic Drive Duplicator

- Designed to copy hard drives without changing the original
- Dedicated device that copies drive and hashes the disk image



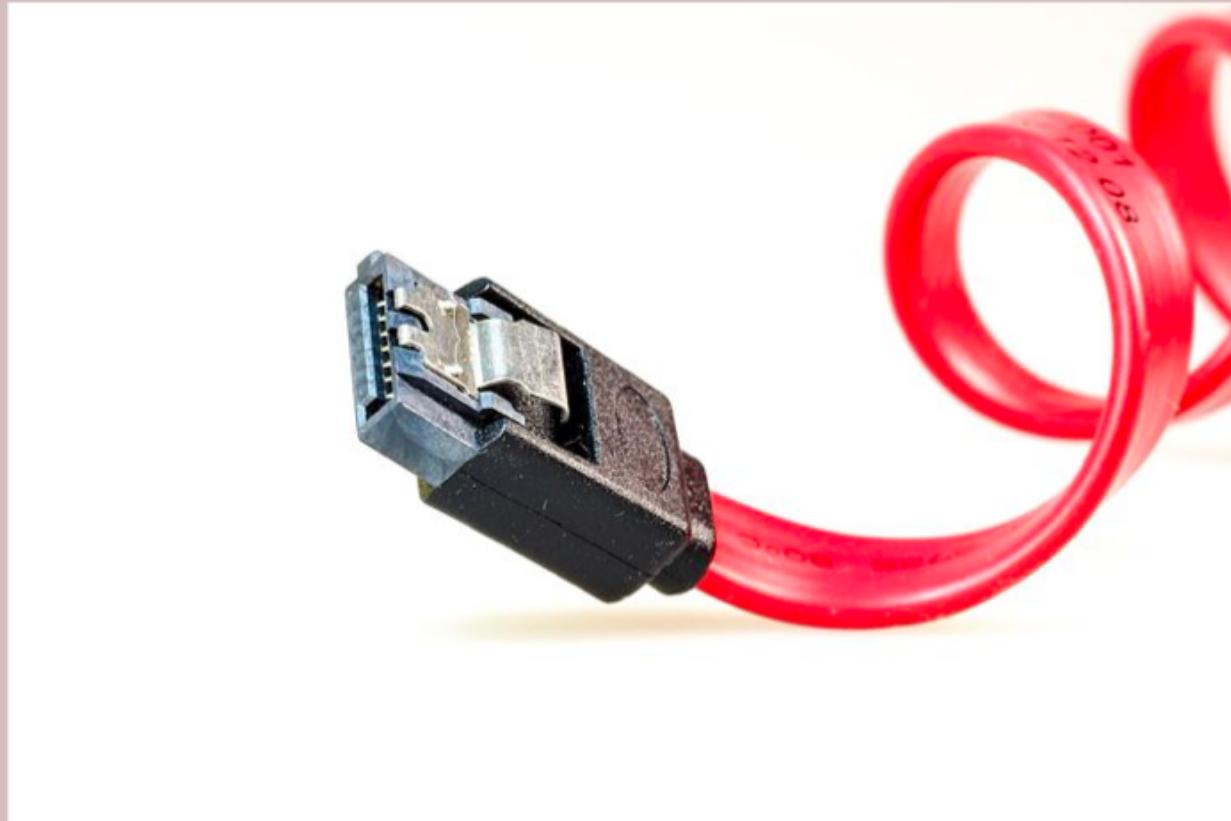
Wiped Drives and Removable Media

- Clean hard drives that are ready to receive disk images on
- Drives are prepared using a drive wipe before use in the field



Cables and Drive Adapters

- Be ready to copy/collect any type of media you come across while in the field



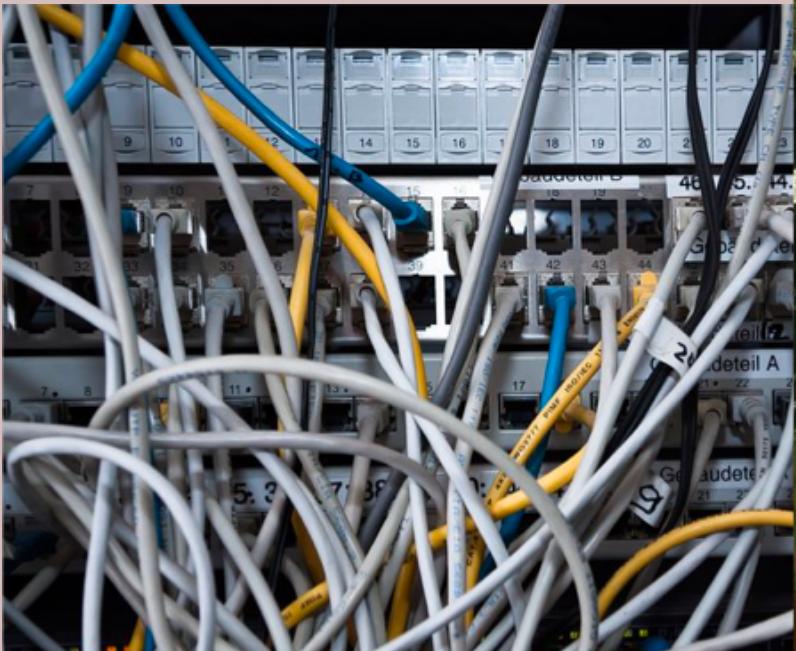
Digital Camera

- Used to photograph system layout, system configurations, drive labels, how a machine is cabled, etc.



Label Maker and Labels

- Label cables, components, and other items collected while in the field



Documentation and Checklists

- Chain of Custody forms, incident response forms and plan, and more





Mobile Forensic Toolkits

CYBER INCIDENT RESPONSE

Mobile Forensic Toolkits

- Mobile devices have different operating systems and security issues
- Capturing data from mobile devices can be more difficult and needs special tools



Tools to Access the SIM Card

- Different phones require small screwdrivers or a push pin-style tool



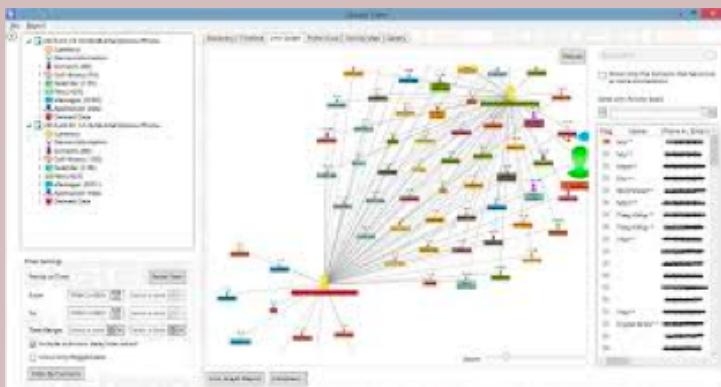
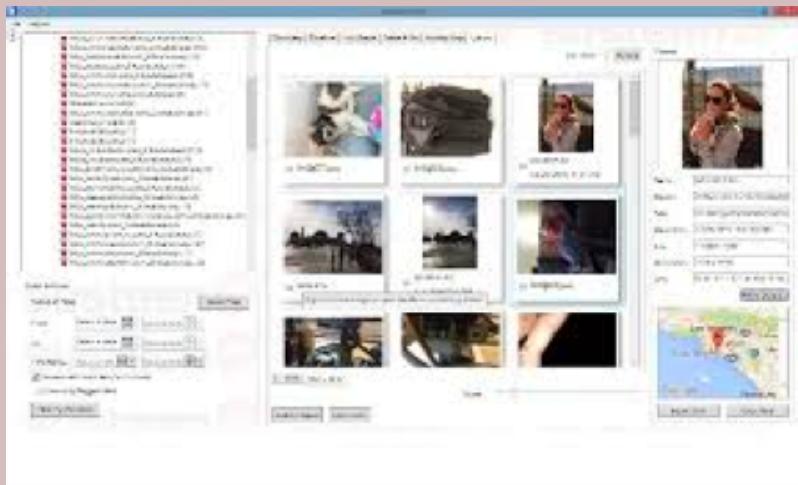
Connection Cables

- Lightning cables or 30-pin for Apple
- USB Micro, Mini, or USB-C for Android



Mobile Forensic Software

- Specialized software for accessing mobile devices



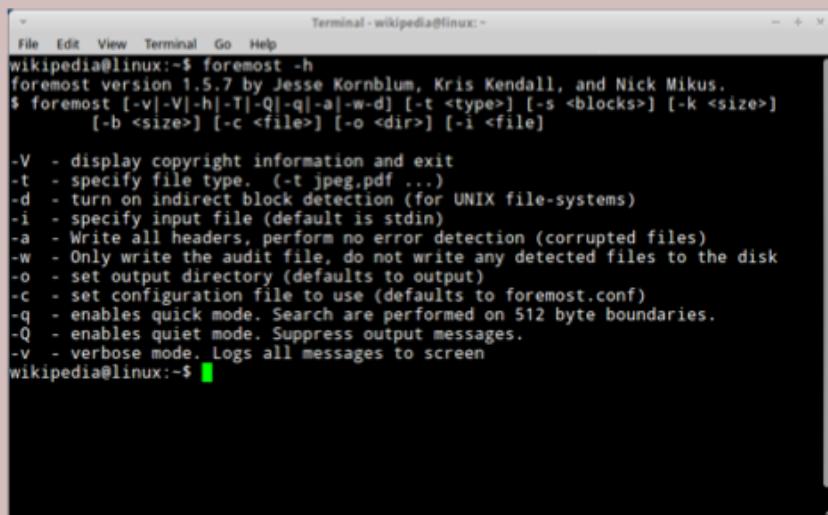


Forensic Software

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Forensic Software

- Commercial and Open-Source for:
 - Imaging
 - Analysis
 - Hashing and validation
 - Process and memory dumps
 - Password cracking
 - Log viewer



Terminal - wikipedia@linux: ~

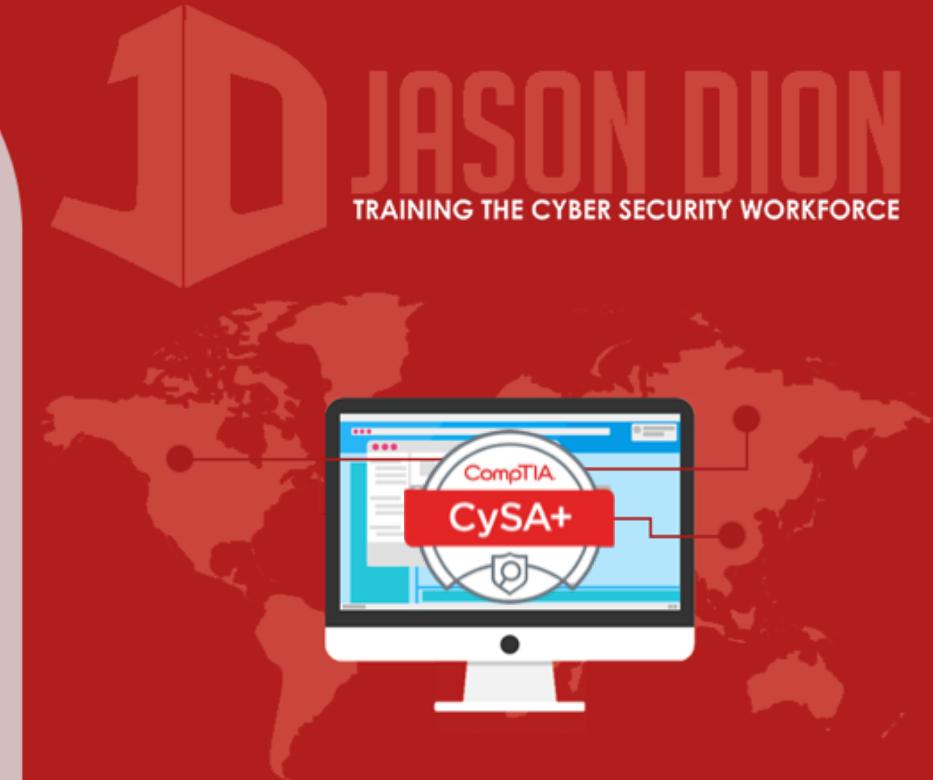
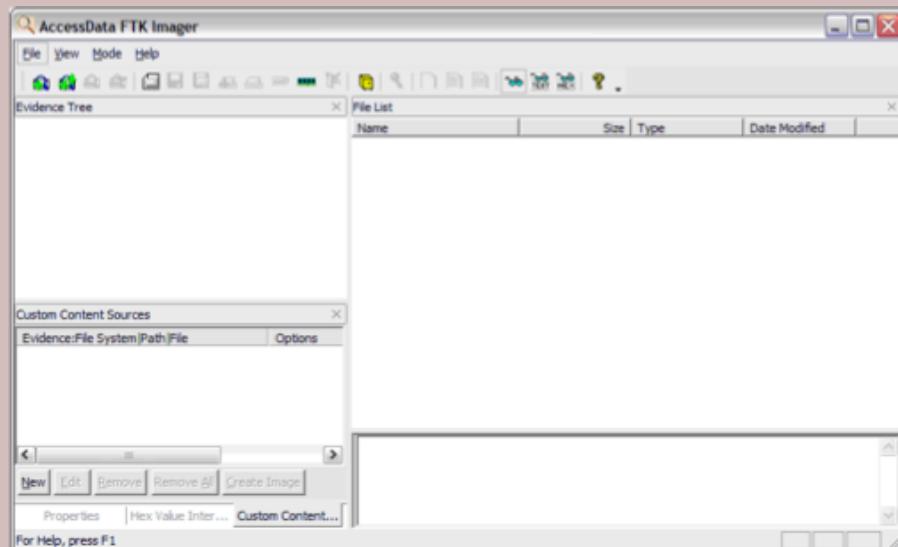
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wikipedia@linux:~$ foremost -h
foremost version 1.5.7 by Jesse Kornblum, Kris Kendall, and Nick Mikus.
$ foremost [-v|-V|-h|-T|-Q|-q|-a|-w|-d] [-t <type>] [-s <blocks>] [-k <size>]
  [-b <size>] [-c <file>] [-o <dir>] [-i <file>]

-V - display copyright information and exit
-t - specify file type. (-t jpeg,pdf ...)
-d - turn on indirect block detection (for UNIX file-systems)
-i - specify input file (default is stdin)
-a - Write all headers, perform no error detection (corrupted files)
-w - Only write the audit file, do not write any detected files to the disk
-o - set output directory (defaults to output)
-c - set configuration file to use (defaults to foremost.conf)
-Q - enables quick mode. Search are performed on 512 byte boundaries.
-q - enables quiet mode. Suppress output messages.
-v - verbose mode. Logs all messages to screen
wikipedia@linux:~$
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Imaging Media and Drives

- Bit by bit copy of a drive, including the slack space and unallocated space
- FTK Imager
- EnCase Imager
- dd



Analysis Software

- Creates timeline of system changes
- Validates file against known good copy
- File system analysis for hidden files, changes, access, and metadata
- Windows Registry analysis
- Log file parsing and analysis
- Examples:
 - Commercial:
FTK and EnCase
 - Open-source:
SIFT, CAINE, and Autopsy



Hashing and Validation

- Creates a unique file integrity check of a disk image after creation
- Used as part of chain of custody
- EnCase uses built-in hashing with its .EO1 format
- Should use both MD5 & SHA1/SHA256



Process and Memory Dumps

- State of the Operating System and data in-resident memory at time of collection
- Difficult to collect without changing the contents contained
- Useful to capture decryption keys for full disk encryption
- Hibernation files and crash dumps can also contain some of this data



Process and Memory Dumps

- Tools

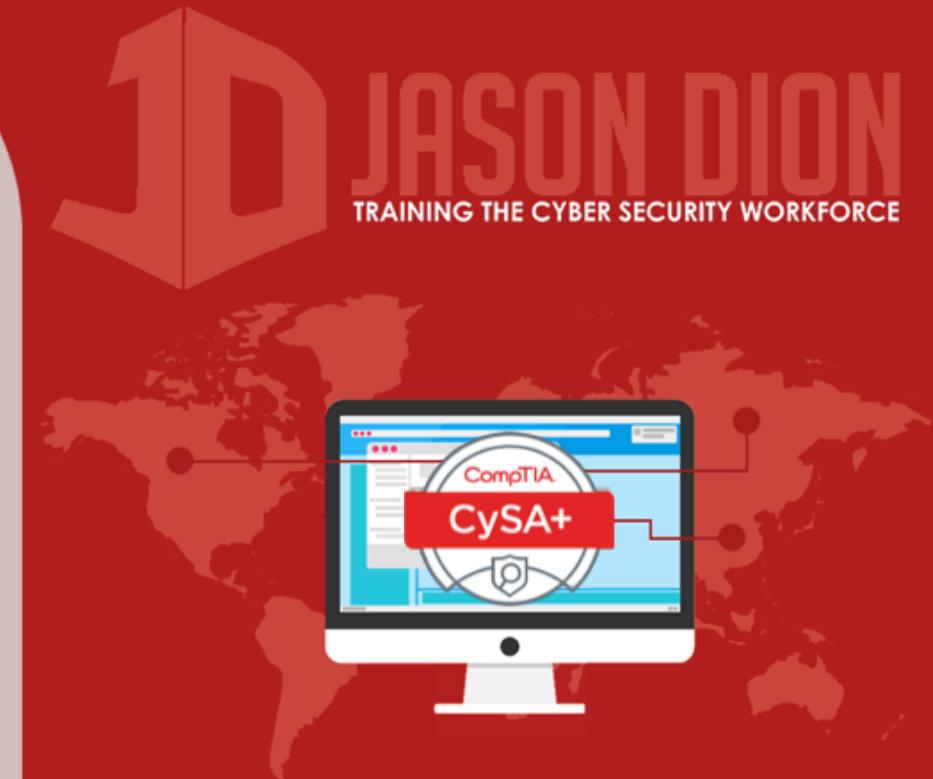
- fmem and LiME (Linux)
- DumpIt (Windows)
- Volatility Framework (Windows, Linux, OS X)
- EnCase
- FTK

- Memory dumps on system can be found at
%SystemRoot%\MEMORY.DMP
- Dumps analyzed with Microsoft's WinDbg



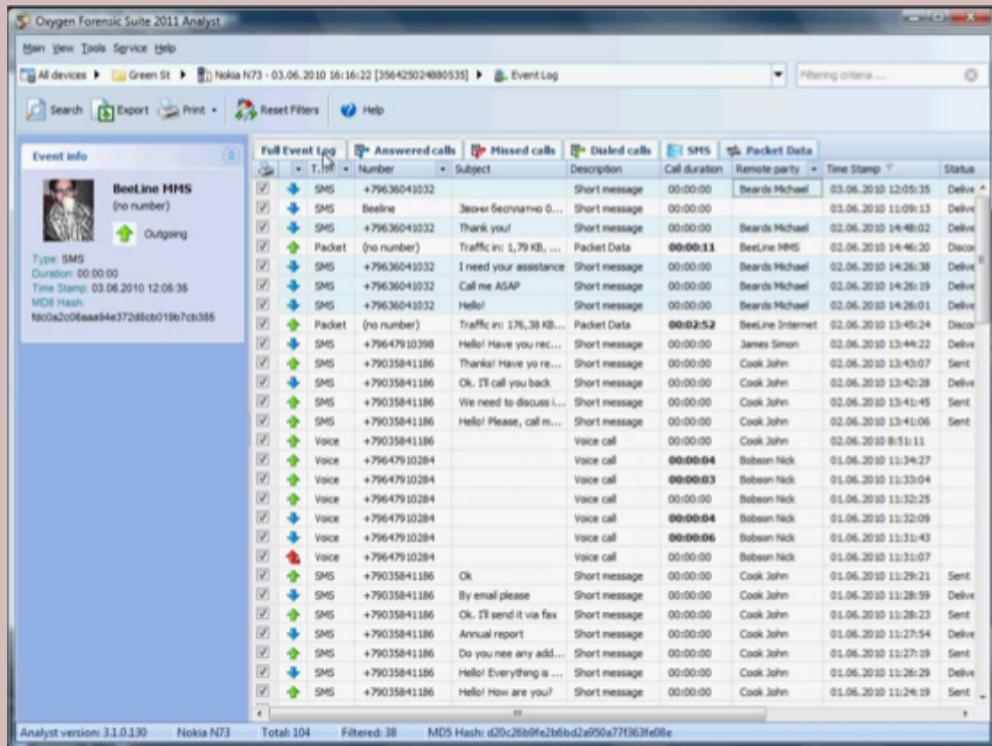
Password Cracking/Recovery

- Encrypted and password protected files required cracking or guessing password
- Hacking tools like John The Ripper and Cain and Able can be used
- DOC, XLS, PPT, and ZIP files have other specialized password cracking tools:
 - Advanced Office Password Breaker
 - ElcomSoft's Distributed Password Recovery
 - Zip2John
 - ...numerous others...



Log Viewers

- Used to analyze log files from collected system images
- Can create timelines and visualize the data





Training and Certification

CYBER INCIDENT RESPONSE

Importance of Training and Certification

- Full-time forensic personnel should be properly trained and certified
- If not, evidence might not be able to be used in court
- Forensic experts and their credentials are called into question by the defense



Industry Certifications

CCE	Certified Computer Examiner
CFCE	Certified Forensic Computer Examiner
CHFI	Computer Hacking Forensic Investigator
GCFA	GIAC Certified Forensic Analyst
GCFE	GIAC Certified Forensic Examiner
CSFA	Cybersecurity Forensic Analyst
ACE	AccessData Certified Examiner (FTK)
EnCE	EnCase Certified Examiner
DMC	Digital Media Collector
DFE	Digital Forensic Examiner





Forensic Investigation Process

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Forensic Investigation Process

1. Determine what you want to find out
2. Determine location to find that info
3. Document your plan
4. Acquire/preserve the evidence needed
5. Perform initial analysis (log actions)
6. Conduct deeper analysis (log actions)
7. Report on your findings



Order of Volatility (Data Collection Priorities)

CPU Cache, Registers, Running Processes, and Memory

Network Traffic

Hard Disk Drives and USB Drives

Backups, Printouts, Optical Media



What do you do when you find something you don't expect?

- There's always a risk you will find what you didn't want to find...



...Employee breaking the AUP

...Evidence of illegal activities



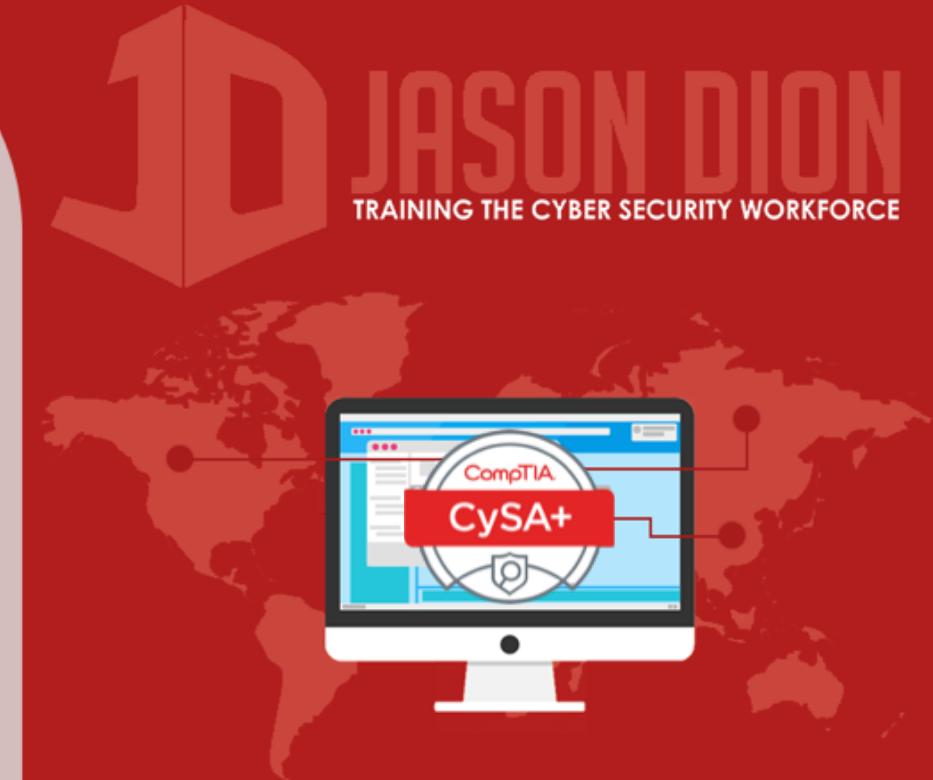
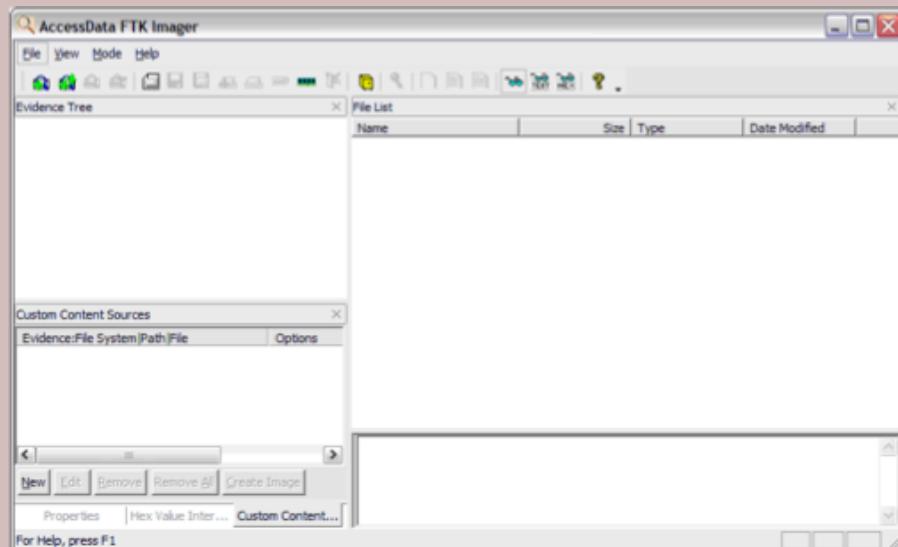


Disk Imaging

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Imaging Media and Drives

- Bit by bit copy of a drive, including the slack space and unallocated space
- FTK Imager
- EnCase Imager
- dd



dd

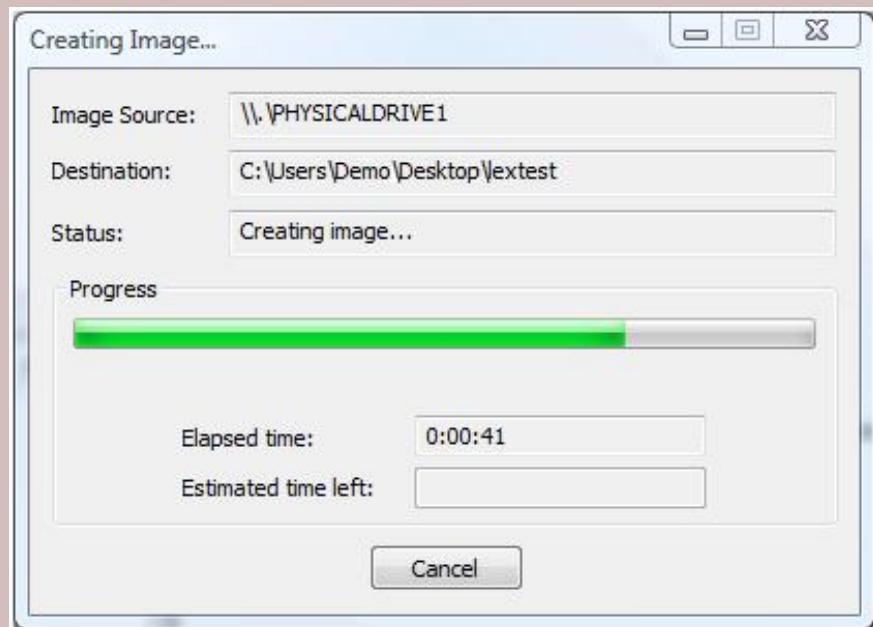
- Standard Linux and UNIX tool
- Can clones drives using bit-by-bit copy

```
# dd bs=64k if=/dev/disk1/sda1 of=/mnt/usb1/sda1.img
```



FTK Imager

- Commercial product that is free to use
- Documents chain of custody, adds hash, and creates metadata tags for later analysis



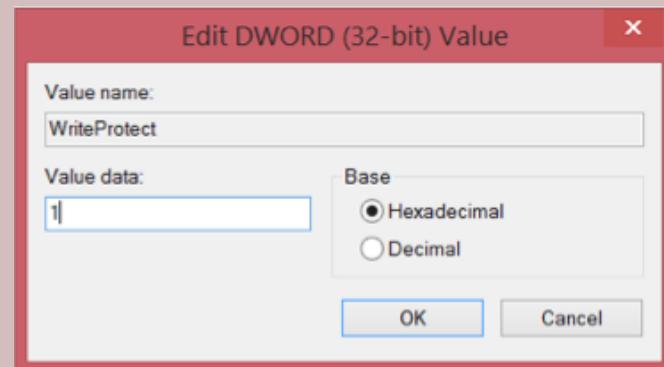
Forensic Drive Duplicators

- Very expensive, dedicated devices
- Creates images, hashes, and chain of custody metadata



Write Blockers

- Maintain data integrity on the source disk
- Hardware write blockers should be used for best forensic integrity



Encrypted Drives

- Try to find the password because brute forcing is VERY slow (if possible)
- Capture the computer while logged in to bypass drive encryption when possible





Incident Containment

CYBER INCIDENT RESPONSE

Incident Containment

- Perform this as quickly as possible
- Isolate the issue
- Stop the spread of the incident



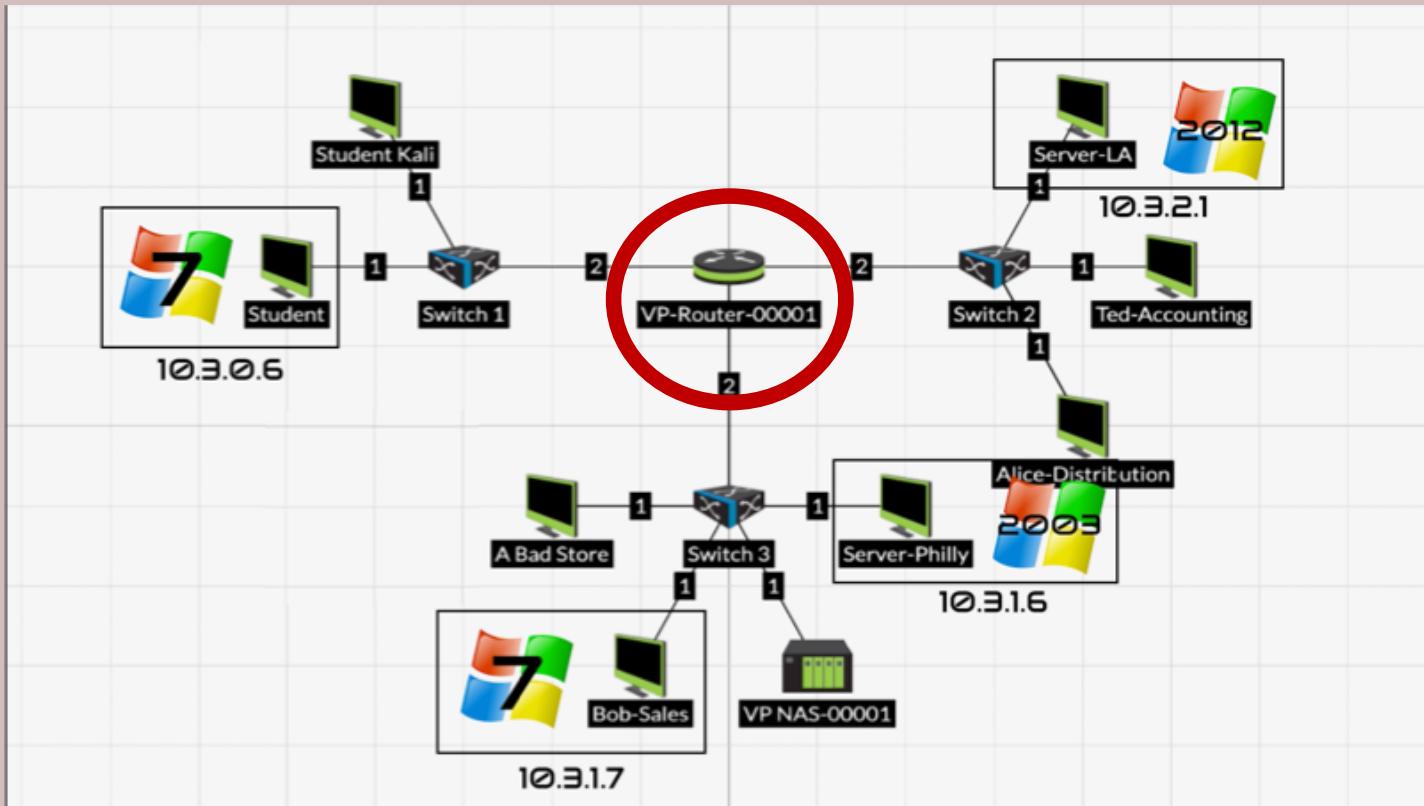
Containment Considerations

- Containment isn't perfect...
it is quick and dirty
- Can cause some loss of business
functionality
- Coordinate with stakeholders before you
take actions



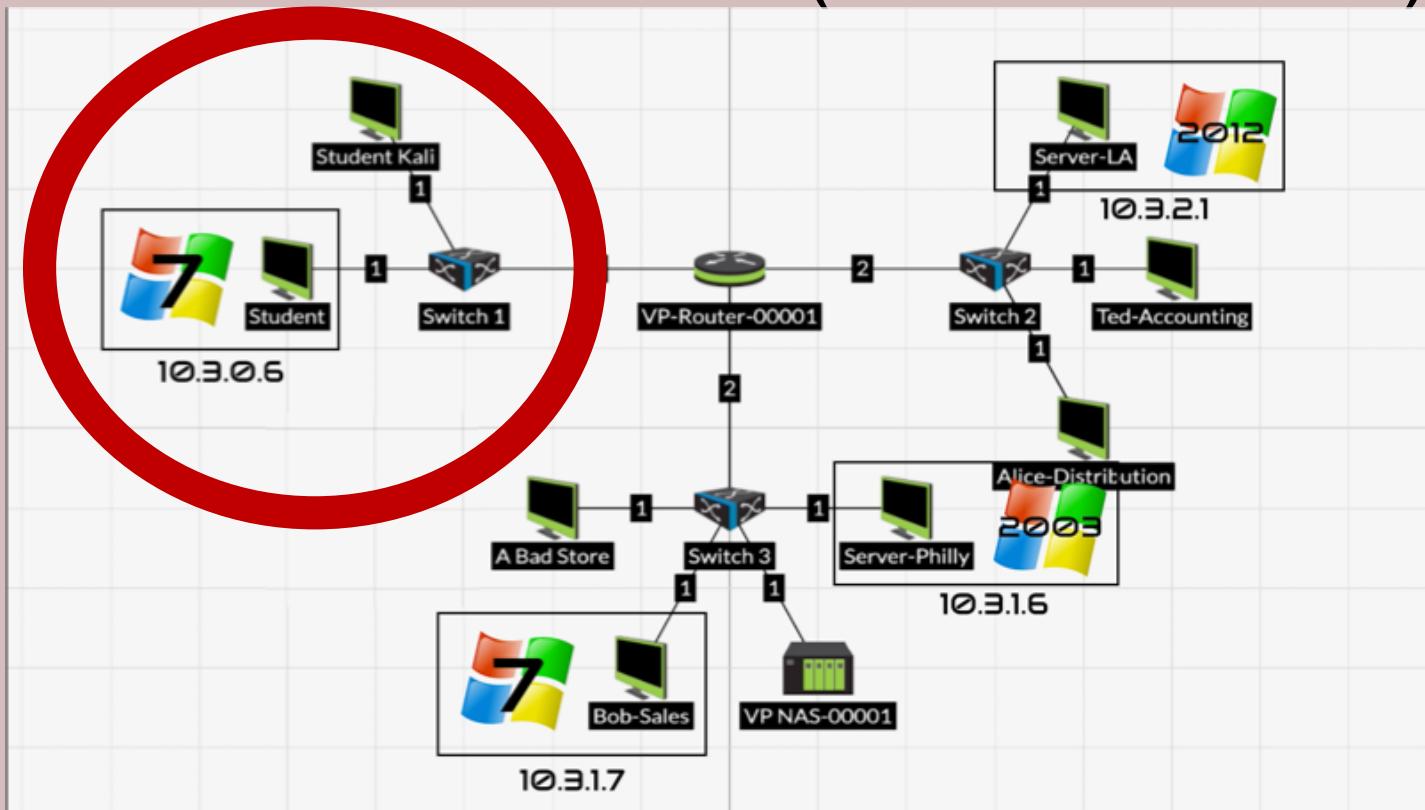
Segmentation

- Proactive strategy to prevent spread from one part of network to another



Isolation or Removal

- Remove a system from your network and directly connect to internet
- Remove the attacker (disconnect PC)



Objective of Containment

- Limit the damage to the organization
- Provide incident handlers an opportunity to collect evidence and repair issue
- Maintain and operate services for your customers to use



Identifying Attackers

- Do you need to identify the attacker?
- Is there a good business reason why?
- Attackers cover their tracks well, and identifying them can take a lot of time and resources, where your goal is simply to minimize business impact...
- Law enforcement has a different viewpoint on this, though...





Eradication and Recovery

CYBER INCIDENT RESPONSE

Eradication and Recovery

- Remove any artifacts of the incident
- Restore the network to full functionality
- Correct any security deficiencies
- Remove malicious code, sanitize compromised media, and fix any of the affected user accounts



What Recovery is Not...

- Not a rebuilding of the entire network...
- Not a full redesign of the system...
- Not a reason to buy all new equipment...



Reconstruction and Reimaging

- Once an attacker touches your system, consider it compromised
- Reconstruct or reimagine the system from a known good backup
- Consider the root cause of the incident so that the system isn't susceptible to the same attack vector again



Patching

- Patch any systems that may be vulnerable to the same attack vector
- This is a good time to rescan and patch ALL of your systems...

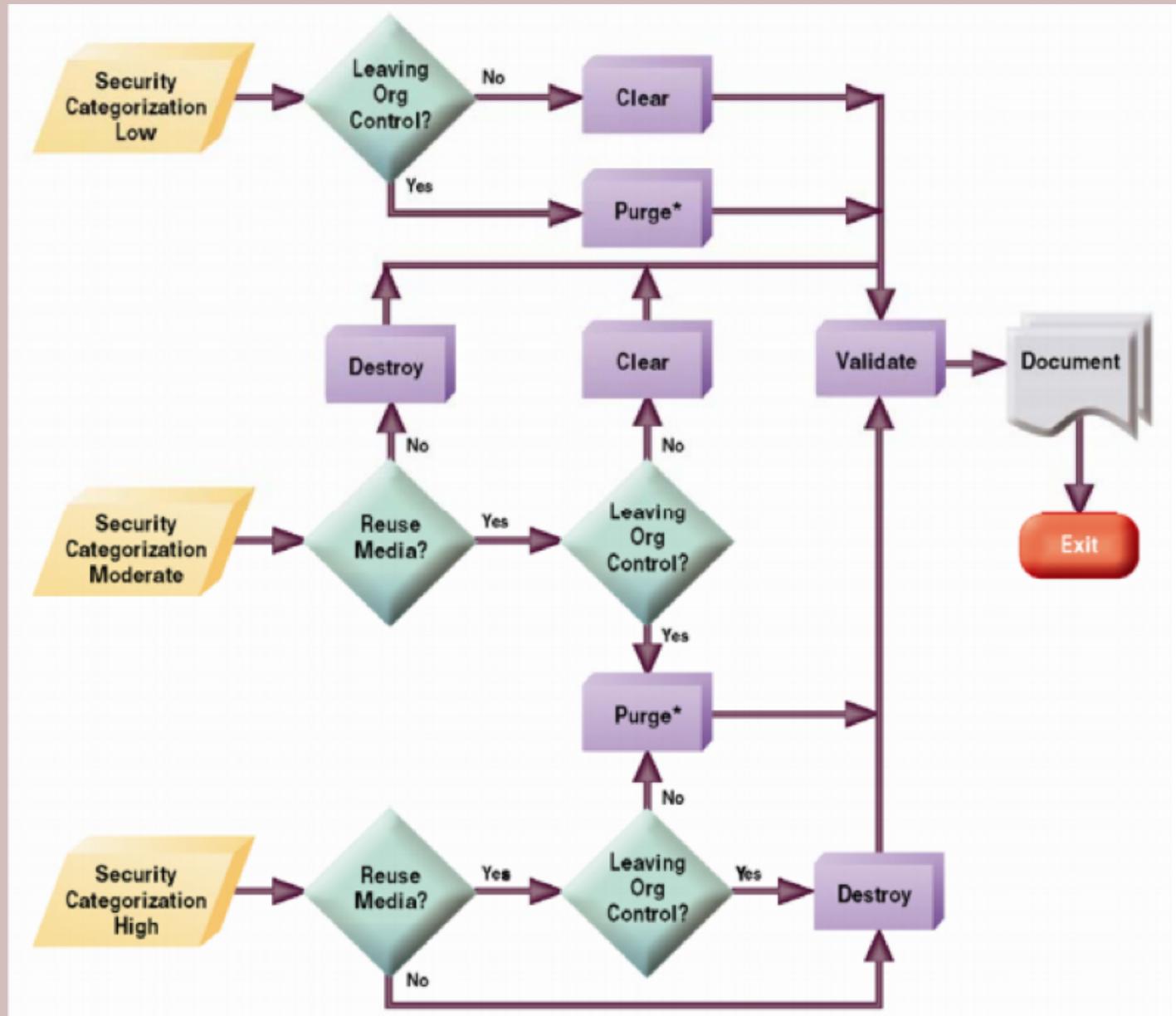


Sanitization and Disposal

- Clear
 - Logical techniques used to sanitize data (reset to factory state or overwriting a disk with all 0s)
- Purge
 - Physical or logical techniques to make data recovery from a disk infeasible using newest techniques (degaussing or overwrite 0s 35x)
- Destroy
 - Data recovery infeasible and disk drive unusable for storage (melting, incinerating, destroying)



Sanitization and Disposal



Validation Effort

- Only authorized user accounts exist on each system in the network
- Verify permission assigned to each user
- Verify all systems are logging correctly
- Verify vulnerability scans on all systems are routinely conducted





Finishing the Response

CYBER INCIDENT RESPONSE

Finishing the Response

- Change Management Process
- Lessons-Learned
- Final Report



Change Management Process

- Emergency Change Management Board may have authorized numerous actions during the incident response
- Follow-up to ensure all changes have been documented properly
- Need to ensure that network diagrams and vulnerability scan profiles updated



Lessons-Learned

- Documents the details, the root cause, and the solution to a security incident
- Fact-finding meetings should be conducted as close to the end of an incident response as possible
- Needed changes identified during the lessons-learned process should be fed into the resourcing and Change Management process



Final Report

- Every incident should finish with a compiled written report
- Established organizational “memory”
- Can serve as documentation in case further legal action occurs in the future
- Can identify other deficiencies in the incident response that need to be addressed by management



Final Report Includes...

- Timeline of incident and response events
- Root cause of incident
- Location and description of evidence
- Actions taken to contain, eradicate, and recovery (and the reasoning for them)
- Estimated impact to organization (\$,time)
- Post-recovery validation effort results
- Documentation of lessons-learned

