

Network Security Treasures

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The saga continues!



Holistic identitybased networking security approach

An irreducible dichotomy between reality and expectations

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http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EBi1x1Mg5XE

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The Artichoke of an Attack



Why Not an Onion?

- The typical "Onion Layer" of security has worked for a quite some time and should not be thrown out yet
- Attacks have always been targeted to where the data is
- Attackers just ride the leaves
- Blurred Perimeter, SaaS, Clouds ... this is a different world



Security is made up of layers but these layers don't always overlap!

The Artichoke resemblance...

- The heart is where the data sits
- Each leaf provides a layer of protection
- ...but also a perfect avenue to attack
- Not every leaf needs to be removed in order to get at the heart of the artichoke
- All I need is a little taste

Artichokishly Delicious Example

- A server is hosting your company's blog
- It's behind firewalls, intrusion prevention modules, tiered infrastructure, secured servers etc.
- An SQL Injection vulnerability is found in Wordpress, the software running the blog
- SQL Injection leaf bypasses other leaves and executes commands directly on the database tier
- When the attacker is inside the database tier, what else can they see?

Stories from the Production

- Total Number of IP's in sample data: 6,216
- 9 Hosts vulnerable to MS06-040 (Netapi)
- 16 Hosts vulnerable to MS04-012 (DCOM)
- 8 Hosts vulnerable to SADMIN Overflow
- 57 Hosts vulnerable to MS05-047 (PNP)
- 49 Hosts vulnerable to MS05-039 (PNP)!

May not seem like large numbers, but **it only takes one hos**t to give up the keys to the kingdom!

Network-Based Attacks

- 5 IOS HTTP Auth bypasses
- 16 Default passwords
- 160 Weak or easily guessed passwords
- 230 Weak SNMP community strings Why is this bad?

Man in the Middle

ARP Poisoning/Spoofing

The basis of most Network-focused MITM attacks Focused on a Layer 2 broadcast domain Not impossible to protect

• Packet Interception and Misdirection

Cleartext protocol sniffing

Encrypted protocol negotiation interception

Secure SHell, Secure Socket Layer, etc.

BRKSEC-2202 - Understanding and Preventing Layer 2 Attacks in IPv4 and IPv6 networks (2013 London) https://www.ciscolive365.com/connect/sessionDetail.ww?SESSION_ID=3001&backBtn=true

• Applies for IPv4 and IPv6 yet different in details.

CONFidence 2013 - IPv6 insecurities at First Hop http://www.data.proidea.org.pl/confidence/10edycja/materialy/prezentacje/GawelMikolajczyk_IPv6.pdf

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EAP IN CHAINS



IEEE 802.1X Provides Port-Based Access Control Using Authentication





Identifying the Machine AND the User

The next chapter of authentication: EAP-Chaining

• IETF EAP Method Update (EMU) working group is in process of standardizing on **Tunneled EAP (TEAP).**

Next-Generation EAP method that provides all benefits of current EAP Types. Also provides EAP-Chaining.

http://tools.ietf.org/html/draft-ietf-emu-eap-tunnel-method-06

Machine and User Authentication complexity





Why Identify BOTH Machine and User?

The need: provide differentiated access for IT-managed systems



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User and Machine Policies

I Know Who You Are, But are You Logging In from a Managed Device?

• User identity ...

Username/password credentials (802.1X or WebAuth) User certificate (802.1X)

 Machine "identity" … MAC Address? Machine certificate?

How credible is the information used?

• How do I tie the two together in a single policy?





How to Enforce Machine and User Authentication

Option 1: Machine Access Restrictions (MAR)

- The RADIUS attribute [31] Calling-Station-Id is a must from the NAD.
- The machine authenticates successfully and RADIUS Server caches its MAC address in the so called MAR cache.
- For user authentication to pass, on top of valid user credentials/certificate, the RADIUS attribute [31] Calling-Station-Id in the RADIUS access-request must contain a valid MAC address from the MAR cache.



Identifying the Machine AND the USER

Machine Access Restrictions (MAR)

- MAR provides a mechanism for the RADIUS server to search the previous authentications and look for a machine-authentication with the same Calling-Station-ID.
- This means the machine must do authenticate before the user. i.e. Must log out, not use hibernate, etc....
- More possible limitations.



Machine Access Restrictions (MAR)

Limitations

• Potential Issues with MAR:

Wired/WiFi transitions: Calling-Station-ID (MAC address) is used to link machine and user authentication; MAC address will change when laptop moves from wired to wireless breaking the MAR linkage.

Machine state caching: The state cache of previous machine authentications is not persistent across RADIUS Server reboots.

Hibernation/Standby: 802.1X fails when the endpoint enters sleep/hibernate mode and then moves to a different location, or comes back into the office the following day, where machine auth cache is not present in new RADIUS server or has timed out.



Machine Access Restrictions (MAR)

Potential Issues with MAR

• **Spoofing**: Linkage between user authentication and machine authentication is tied to MAC address only. It is possible for endpoint to pass user authentication only using MAC address of previously machine-authenticated endpoint.



Enter EAP-Chaining

• EAP Chaining includes both 'machine' and 'user' identities in a single EAP transaction

Mar 24,12 07:25:42.316 PM 🖉 🍙 jeppich >> host/labstation F0:DE:F1:94:65:9C 3750x both_user_&_machine_credentials_p...

Authentication methods such as EAP-FAST, PEAP provide separate EAP transactions

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May 14,12 05:45:29.560 PM	 	Q	host/labstation	F0:DE:F1:94:65:9C	switch	PermitAccess



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EAP-FAST Method

- EAP-FAST is an EAP method that enables secure communication between a peer and a server by using the Transport Layer Security (TLS) to establish a mutually authenticated tunnel.
- EAP-FAST has three phases:

- **Phase 0** - PAC Provisioning- Provisions tunnel PAC to client for subsequent tunnel establishment using TLS Session resumption

- **Phase 1** - Negotiates the EAP-method type, EAP-FAST version, TLS ciphers, and authenticate the server to establish a protected tunnel

- **Phase 2** - Once the tunnel is established, authenticates the client based on the identity and credentials transferred inside the tunnel using other EAP methods.

Let's compare using EAP-FAST

Separate EAP Transactions for "Machine" and "user"

Phase 0 – PAC Provisioning

Phase 1- tunnel establishment

Phase 2- user credentials sent through tunnel using inner method of authentication



Phase 0 – PAC Provisioning

Phase 1- tunnel establishment

Phase 2- machine credentials sent through tunnel using inner method of authentication

EAP-FAST with EAP MS-CHAPv2



EAP-FAST – Machine

- PAC files will be used instead of certificates for mutual authentication between client and server.
- Phase 0: PAC provisioning Machine PAC to client.
- Phase 1: Negotiates the EAP-method, EAP version and employs TLS handshake to negotiate TLS ciphers and authenticate the server to establish the tunnel.
- Phase 2: Server authenticates the client based on the identity and credentials based inside the tunnel

	Established connection	Established se	ecure connection	ction	
•	EAP-Payload- TLV (EAP Request- Identity) EAP Inner Ide	entity//Hostname Req		
	EAP-Payload- TLV (EAP Response-Identi	ity) EAP Inner Ident	tity/Hostname Req		
	EAP-Payload- TLV (EAP Request EAP M	S-CHAPv2 Challenge)	MSC	HAPv2	
	EAP-Payload- TLV (EAP Response/Host	Credentials, EIP MS-CHAPv2	2 Challenge)	MSCHAPv2	
	EAP-Payload- TLV (EAP Response/Hash	ed Credentials, success)	Protected Password		
	EAP-Payload- TLV (EAP Response succe	ess)			
	Crypto Binding TLV (none, Compound M	AC), Result TLV			
	Crypto Binding TLV (none, Compound M/	AC), Result TLV			
	EAP Success Aut	h EAP Success	/		

EAP-FAST – User

- PAC files will be used instead of certificates for mutual authentication between client and server.
- Phase 0: PAC provisioning provision Tunnel /Machine PAC to client.

Established connection

- Phase 1: Negotiates the EAP-method, EAP version and employs TLS handshake to negotiate TLS ciphers and authenticate the server to establish the tunnel.
- Phase 2: Server authenticates the client based on the identity and credentials based inside the tunnel

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EAP-Payload- TLV	(EAP Request- Identity)	EAP Inner	Identity//Username	e Req		
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EAP-Payload- TLV	(EAP Response/Host Credent	Pv2 Challenge)	MSCHAPv2			
EAP-Payload- TLV	(EAP Response/Hashed Cred	Pr	Protected Password			
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Established secure connection

EAP-FAST Summary

- Secure EAP method using PAC files for mutual authentication between client and server.
- PAC files are used for secure TLS establishment and for user/machine authorization.
- Separate EAP transactions for machine and user identities
- Cannot prove 'ownership' the user is logging into the same system.

EAP-Chaining Details

Optional **Identity-Type TLV** is employed at the at the start of the second phase of EAP-FAST authentication, **indicate EAP** Chaining:

The Server sends the Identity-Type TLV, request identity to the client.

Identity-Type TLV (Machine or User Type), EAP Payload-TLV (EAP Request-Identity)

The client responds back with either the same identity request or proposes another identity-type.

Identity-Type TLV (Machine Type), EAP Payload-TLV (EAP Response Identity)

Client can also respond back with no Identity-Type TLV to indicate non-support of EAP Chaining (*Will fall back to EAP-FAST EAP method*)



EAP-Chaining Flow (1)





EAP-Chaining Flow (2)



EAP-Chaining Summary

- Secure EAP method using PAC files for mutual authentication between client and server.
- PAC files are used for secure TLS establishment and for user/machine authorization.
- Single EAP transaction for machine and user identities
- Prove 'ownership' the user is logging into the same system.
- Based upon intermediate results for user & machine, can have different authorization policies:

'user failed and machine succeeded'
'user succeeded and machine succeeded'
'machine failed and user succeeded'
'both user and machine failed'

If EAP Chaining is not supported on the device, the fall back is for EAP-FAST.

EAP-Chaining | TEAP Call To Action

- Evaluate the technology based on EAP-FAST today.
- It is deployable on selected platforms since almost a year.
- The TEAP will follow. You will be ready.

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MACSEC OF THE STORM





Saving the L2 Confidentiality

- MACSec is a Layer 2 encryption mechanism (Ratified in 2006) 802.1AE defines the use of AES-GCM-128 as the encryption cipher. Works to extend to AES-GCM-256. Need hardware support.
- Builds on 802.1X for Key Management, Authentication, and Access Control
- 802.1X-2013 defines the use of MACSec, MACSec Key Agreement (MKA) (Previously 802.1AF), and 802.1AR (Ratified in 2013)
- Authenticated Encryption with Associated Data (AEAD)
- HW implementations run are very efficient
 1G and 10G line rate crypto currently deployed
- Intel AES-NI support in CPU (FIPS 140-2 Validated)

Encrypting everything Hop-by-Hop

- Physical MiTM into the access link is a feasible attack using very small factor PC and others
- The attacks have been demonstrated (DEFCON19 – A Bridge Too Far).
- 802.1X EAP authentication phase is used to derive the 802.1AE session key for encryption.
- Encryption can be done in software and in hardware on the endpoint.
- Switch crypto support in hardware is necessary



AES Galois/Counter Mode (GCM)

- Block cipher mode of operation for Authenticated Encryption with Associated Data (AEAD)
- High speed, low latency, low cost Most efficient mode for packet networks
- Widely adopted in the industry Layer 3+: IPSec, TLS, DLTS, SSH, SRTP Layer 2: 802.1AE MACSec, Gigabeam, 802.11 Storage encryption: 1619.1, LTO-4 Inside commercial crypto silicon NIST SP 800-38D



Massively Scalable Encrypted DC InterConnect

Dual Access with EoMPLS Connectivity

DC-1

DC-2



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THE ART OF PROFILING



Profiling in Networking Security

- What Profiling is:
 - Dynamic classification of every device that connects to network using the infrastructure.
 - Provides the context of "What" is connected independent of user identity for use in access policy decisions



PCs	Non-PCs			
	UPS	Phone	Printer	AP

- What Profiling is NOT:
 - An authentication mechanism.
 - An exact science for device classification.

Central Profiler: 3 Steps



Profiling Probes – the sources

- Profiler could use various sources to identify devices.
- RADIUS
- HTTP | Captive Portal
- DHCP | DHCP SPAN
- SNMP Query | Trap
- Network Scan (nmap)
- DNS
- NetFlow
- CDP | LLDP

Distributed Device Sensors

• Device Classifier and Analyzers – achieving scale





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RAINING FLOWS



Threat Defense – the network-centric approach

- Get the identity from the 802.1X | Webauth | MAB authenticated machines
- Collect all the possible flows from the infrastructure can generate the flows in hardware | software can use Flow generation tools from raw network traffic (SPAN et al.)

LITERALLY EVERYTHING.

- Correlate those two for:
- 1. Detecting data loss
- 2. Detecting network reconnaissance
- 3. Detecting internally operating contagion
- 4. Detecting command and control channels

Detecting Data Loss



Detecting Internally Operating BotNets



Network-Centric Paradigm shift

- Artificial intelligence advances
- Detection algorithms

Minnesota Intrusion Detection System (MINDS) algorithm [Ertoz et al, 2004] processes data from a number of flows.

Xu et al. algorithm [Xu, Zhang et al, 2005] classifies traffic sources.

The **volume prediction algorithm** [Lakhina et al, 2004] uses the Principal Components Analysis (PCA) methodology

The **entropy prediction algorithm** [Lakhina et al, 2005] predicts the entropy of source and destination ports and destination IPs.

The **TAPS algorithm** [Sridharan et al, 2006] targets a specific class of attacks by classifying a subset of suspicious traffic sources

 The focus is shifting from mainly applying signature-based techniques to defend against known threats to leveraging new techniques in artificial intelligence based real-time analytics to detect the unknown threats that are already proliferating inside our networks.

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What is Advanced Cryptography today?

- Upgrade to all crypto algorithms and key sizes Authenticated Encryption Elliptic Curve Cryptography
- Scales well to

High security levels High throughput High numbers of connections

• Anticipates industry trends for IPSec VPNs

Compatible with security and scalability requirements of next decade Current products must meet these requirements and also interoperate with future products

• Compatible with Industry | Government Standards Algorithms only get weaker over time due to advances in cryptanalysis Industry is at the cusp of an algorithm transition, which is needed to keep computational costs down

Cryptographic Suite



Encryption

Data Authentication

Key Establishment

Signatures



Hashing

Crypto Recommendations

Now	Soon
AES-128-GCM, AES-128-CCM	AES-128-GCM, AES-128-CCM
HMAC-SHA-256	HMAC-SHA-256
DH-2048, RSA-2048	ECDH-P256
RSA-2048	ECDSA-P256
SHA-256	SHA-256

Elliptic Curve Cryptography

- Alternative crypto mathematics
 - Invented in 1985
 - Promoted by NSA
 - Adopted in some niches (e.g. Smart Grid)
- More efficient than RSA at higher security levels Current commercial security (96 or 112 bits) - ECC slower 128 bits strength – ECC operations faster 256 bits strength – ECC much faster

ECC History

Many ECC patents

Slow adoption

- RFC 6090 Fundamental Algorithms of ECC Subset of basic ECC that predates patents Simplifies IPR analysis
- Closely based on pre-1994 references
 Security: survived > 17 years of review

ECC Efficient at High Security





DoD Suite B Standards

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- NSA (National Security Agency) oversees and sets standards for DoD and other federal organizations
- NSA defines Suite B –a set of cryptographic algorithms
- Suite B for IPsec VPN is defined in RFC 4869
- Chart shows NSA's recommendation of algorithms to be used to protect data at different levels



Algorithm Recommendations

Suite B Components

Encryption	Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) – FIPS PUB 197 (with keys sizes of 128 and 256 bits) http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/PubsFIPS.html
Key Exchange	Elliptic Curve Diffie-Hellman (ECDH) – NIST Special Publication 800-56A (using the curves with 256 and 384-bit prime moduli) http://csrc.nist.gov/groups/ST/toolkit/documents/SP800-56Arev1_3-8- 07.pdf
Digital Signature	Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA) – FIPS PUB 186-3 (using the curves with 256 and 384-bit prime moduli) http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/fips/fips186-3/fips_186-3.pdf
Hashing	Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA) – FIPS PUB 180-3 (using SHA-256 and SHA-384) http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/fips/fips180-3/fips180-3_final.pdf

NIST SUITE B - <u>http://www.nsa.gov/ia/programs/suiteb_cryptography/</u>

Cryptographic Strength



Enter IKEv2 – in a few words

- Defined in RFC 4306 updated by RFC 5996
 No interoperability with IKEv1
 Not widespread ... yet
- Both are using the same basic structure aiming at
 - Privacy Integrity
 - Authentication
- Both run over UDP 500/4500

Key Comparisons



Coalesces important specifications under a single RFC



Key differentiators

	IKEv1	IKEv2
Auth messages	6 max	Open ended
First IPsec SA	9 msgs min	~ 4-6 msgs min
Authentication	pubkey-sig, pubkey-encr, PSK	Pubkey-sig, PSK, EAP
Anti-DOS	Never worked	Works!
IKE rekey	Requires re-auth (expensive)	No re-auth
Notifies	Fire & Forget	Acknowledged

The anti-clogging cookie



- The first two packets only exchange cookies and proposals
- The cookies are used to prevent DoS attack (anti-clogging)
- Cookies are used when-needed and may increase the number of initial messages

IKEv2 exchanges overview



Informational Exchanges

- Mostly used for housekeeping

 Delete notifies
 Liveness checks
 Initial Contact
 Error reporting (various notifications)
- Must be acknowledged

Will be retransmitted otherwise (until give up)

Cryptographically protected

Only after Initial Exchange

Used for Configuration Exchange
 Similar to Mode-Config
Extensible Authentication Protocol (EAP)

- No X-AUTH in IKEv2; EAP instead
- EAP authentication framework that provides common functions for various methods:
 - Tunneling EAP-TLS, EAP/PSK, EAP-PEAP...
 - Non-tunneling EAP-MSCHAPv2, EAP-GTC, EAP-MD5,...
- Implemented as additional IKE_AUTH exchanges
- Only used to authenticate the initiator to responder
- Responder MUST use Certificate
- Can severely increase number of messages (12-16)
- EAP comes with caveats RTFM approach applies.



Next-Gen Crypto – Call To Action

 NGE with IKEv2 is deployable today for: Remote Access VPN Static Site-to-Site VPN Dynamic Site-to-Site VPN

Consider **migrating** your overlay IPSec VPNs in the near future.

Use in all your new, green-field non-SSL VPN deployments today.

Start Artichokes EAP-Chain MACSec Profiling Flows Crypto End





Thank you!

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