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Network Security: Design and Attack Mitigation

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- Security Design Overview
- Integrated Security Solution
- Distributed Security Solution
- High-End Resilient Security Solution
- Conclusion

Historical Hacks Sprinkled Throughout to Keep Everyone Awake!

History Hack #1: Vladimir Levin and Citibank

- In 1994 broke into Citibank's Customer Cash Management Account system and transferred funds to friends totaling up to around \$4 million dollars over a period of 3 months (\$10 million by some accounts)
- Broke in through phone system, not Internet, and apparently eavesdropped to capture PINS/passwords, then used them to gain access to accounts and conduct transactions
- Transfers conducted during off-hours for target accounts, and noticed by chance due to late night banking activity
- Rumors abound about insider involvement, though none proven
- Moral of the story? Secure identity systems matter

Collage of Sources Including:

http://www.discovery.com/area/technology/hackers/levin.html http://www.arraydev.com/commerce/JIBC/9601-07.htm



Vladimir Levin

Overall Security Design Goals



- "Network security is a system"
- Security throughout the infrastructure
- Secure management and reporting
- Authentication of key users and operators
- Intrusion detection for critical areas
- Accommodation of emerging network apps

Functional Design Requirements

Solution should provide:

 Internet access
 Site-to-site VPN
 Remote access
 Campus connectivity
 Wireless LAN
 IP telephony



Design Considerations

General considerations

Integrated vs. dedicated security functions

Device specific

Network wide

IDS architecture

Logging architecture

- Wireless LAN
- IP telephony



Integrated vs. Dedicated

Performance

Software vs. hardware

- Management
 Net ops or Sec ops
- Risk mitigation Multi-vendor, multi-device Statistical probabilities
- Configuration

Routers and switches default open Most security devices default closed

- Resilience considerations
- Complexity

Topology vs. device configuration





Device Specific Security: Routers

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Potentially a hacker's best friend

Effect availability of network, not just end-point services (DDoS)

Eavesdropping, man-in-the-middle

- Protection should include:
 - **Constraining telnet access**
 - **SNMP read-only**
 - Administrative access with TACACS+
 - ACLs to specify the management station
 - **Turning off unneeded services**
 - Logging unauthorized access attempts
 - Authentication of routing updates

Secure command and control where possible (SSH, IPSec)

• www.cisco.com/warp/public/707/21.html



Device Specific Security: Switches

- Protection needs are similar to routers
- VLANs create additional concerns: Remove user ports from auto-trunking Use non-user VLANs for trunk ports
 Set unused ports to a non-routed VLAN
 Ensure VLAN separation where appropriate
- Remember a switch is designed to enable communications

Device Specific Security: Hosts

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High visibility makes them easy targets (2001 CSI/FBI Survey)

47% respondents offer WWW site for e-commerce

23% respondents had unauthorized access or misuse to sites (27% don't know)

58% of these reported 10+ incidents

- Ensure that host components are compatible and at the latest version
 - Hardware platform Operating system and updates Standard applications, patches, and scripts
- Limit running services to only what's necessary
- Audit trails matter
- Trust considerations

Between services on the host and between hosts

Protect applications

Complexity of applications makes them prone to human error Timely patching Public domain, commercial, or self-developed?



Network Wide Security Considerations

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Contain IP spoofing

Prevent inappropriate ingress of nonregistered addressing (RFC 1918 and 2827)

Filter valid IP addresses at the access and distribution layers

- DDoS attacks cannot be stopped by the victim network alone
- Layer 2 considerations (switch vs. hub, ARP and MAC issues)

Intrusion Detection Systems

Host and network

Both have their place

- **False positives**
- **Placement**
- Alarm or enforce?



Internal Services

Logging Architecture

- Device priority
- Where to log (multiple servers? One for historical, one for tactical? Tiered?)
- What to log (log levels)
- Some servers are log protocol and/or function specific (post office vs. syslog)
- Scaling considerations (per server, per network device, filtered display based on alarm level)



Design Considerations

- General considerations
- Wireless LAN
 - Wireless networks are targets
 - WLANs are weapons
 - **AP** security options
 - **LEAP WLAN design**
 - **VPN WLAN design**
- IP telephony

Wireless Networks Are Targets

- IT can't keep up with deployments
- WLAN devices ship with all security features disabled
- Generic 802.11b devices don't have effective security options
- WindowsXP informs users of available WLAN networks
- 2.4 GHz jamming is trivial (cordless phones, baby monitors, microwave ovens, bluetooth devices)
- Most WLAN APs have only clear-text management options

Wireless Networks Are Targets

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Access point security recommendations:

Enable user authentication for the management interface Choose strong community strings for Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) and change them often Consider using SNMP read only if your management infrastructure allows it

Disable any insecure and nonessential management protocol provided by the manufacturer

Limit management traffic to a dedicated wired subnet

Encrypt all management traffic where possible

Enable wireless frame encryption where available

Client security recommendations:

Disable ad hoc mode

Enable wireless frame encryption where available

WLANs Are Weapons

- APs are small and cheap
- Physical building security is weak (tailgaters)
- Most buildings allow campus connectivity on all ports
- All this adds up to a cheap, effective, and anonymous hacking opportunity
- Consider the following:

MAC address limitations on switches Conference rooms use wireless access with authentication and privacy Perform regular physical and RF sweeps for APs



WEP WLAN Design Be Aware of the Limitations

Virus Scanning **Static WEP Key** Inter-Subnet Filtering **WEP Enhancements RFC 2827 Filtering** Wireless **DHCP/RADIUS** Computer **Servers** DHCP/RADIUS ✻ **Access Point** 000000 Servers Static WEP Key **WEP Enhancements**

LEAP WLAN Design



VPN WLAN Design

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AP Security Options

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Feature	LEAP	IPsec	WEP
Key Length (Bits)	128	168	128
Encryption Algorithm	RC4	3 DES	RC4
Packet Integrity	CRC32/MIC	MD5-HMAC/SHA-HMAC	CRC32/MIC
Device Authentication	None	Pre-Shared Secret or Certificates	None
User Authentication	Username/Password	Username/Password or OTP	None
User Differentiation	Νο	Yes	No
Transparent User Experience	Yes	No	Yes
ACL Requirements	None	Substantial	N/A
Additional Hardware	Authentication Server	Authentication Server and VPN Gateway	Νο
Per User Keying	Yes	Yes	No
Protocol Support	Any	IP Unicast	Any
Client Support	PCs and High End PDAs; Wide Range of OSs Supported From Cisco	PCs and High End PDAs ;Wide Range of OSs Supported from Cisco and 3 rd Party Vendors	All Clients Supported
Open Standard	Νο	Yes	Yes
Time Based Key Rotation	Configurable	Configurable	No
Client Hardware Encryption	Yes	Available, Software is Most Common Method	Yes
Additional Software	No	IPSec Client	No

History Hack #2: Captain Crunch and the Origin of "2600"

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- Back in the early 70s phone lines did both signaling and regular voice traffic over the same line
- Using a "Captain Crunch" cereal toy whistle it was possible to generate a sound at 2600Hz which allowed signaling data to be sent to "Ma Bell"
- Building on what was learned with the whistle, tones could then be sent using a "blue box" to call anywhere else for free
- Steve Wozniak even used a "blue box" to call the Pope posing as then Secretary of State Henry Kissinger
- Moral of the story? Security through obscurity is not security (unauthenticated control channels are bad)

http://www.webcrunchers.com/crunch





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Design Considerations

- General considerations
 - Wireless LAN
 - IP telephony
 - The state of IP telephony
 - **Voice attacks**
 - Data and voice segmentation

The State of IP Telephony

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Today there is no single widely deployed standard for call signaling

Virtually all vendors rely on proprietary protocols

Standards-based protocols lack features or have feature disparity

Voice protocols are still relatively new

Hackers are not familiar with them yet

There are not many documented attacks

• Security and IP telephony are in the initial integration phase

Most protocols today do not support confidentiality or strong device/user authentication features

However, there are many issues than we can address today with existing technologies

Voice Attacks

Packet sniffing/call eavesdropping

A rogue device has access to the voice stream between the two talking endpoints

VOMIT or "voice over misconfigured Internet telephones" assembles tcpdumps of conversations into wave files

• Toll fraud

A rogue user performs theft of telephony service Unattended valid IP phone Rogue IP phone placed in the network Rogue voice gateway placed in the network

Data and Voice Segmentation

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 Use the same access, core, and distribution layers for the two segments

Technologies such as layer 3 access control, stateful firewall, and VLANs make this possible



Let's Talk about VOMIT

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 The majority of IP telephony devices don't support confidentiality

Data-voice segmentation and a switched infrastructure will greatly reduce the likelihood of eavesdropping by tools such as Vomit



Data and Voice Segmentation II

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• IP phones typically provide access to both segments

IP phones support a "data port" for the local PC so that only a single cable is necessary

Make sure that the phone supports separation of the two segments (e.g. via VLAN support)

We don't recommend you rely solely on VLANs for separation, in the interest of layered security you should also provide layer 3 filtering at the access layer



Data and Voice Segmentation III

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Deploy a stateful firewall to broker the data-voice segment interaction

Provides dynamic pinpoint access and mitigation against TCP connection starvation, UDP flood, and spoofing attacks

Feasible in front of voice services

Placement of voice and related services is key

Make certain the stateful firewall vendor you chose supports stateful inspection of the voice protocols you decided to deploy



Data and Voice Segmentation IV

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Use private address space for data-voice segments, such as RFC 1918

Partitioned addressing facilitates filtering and recognition

1918 is not routeable (well, most of the time) which reduces the likelihood of reconnaissance scans even if NAT is misconfigured

Spoof mitigation filtering virtually guarantees that hosts are who they claim to be in local segments

This also eases manageability and troubleshooting



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Integrated Detailed Model



Security throughout the infrastructure

Secure management and reporting Authentication of key users and operators

Intrusion detection for critical areas

Accommodation of emerging network apps (WLAN, IPT)

Minimize cost

Integration of features

Design considerations

Performance

Single point of security compromise

Configuration complexity

Integrated Detailed Model—Appliance FW



- Common design
- General considerations

Remote access VPN issues

WAN considerations

Feature set

 When require voice, consider the following Voice needs inter-VLAN filtering, rarely available in low-end firewalls

Note the router with stateful VoIP protocol support

Attack Mitigation


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Distributed Security Design Goals

- Security throughout the infrastructure
- Secure management and reporting
- Authentication of key users and operators
- Intrusion detection for critical areas
- Accommodation of emerging network apps
- Performance
- Separation of security function
- No single point of total compromise

Distributed Security Design Considerations

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Management

- Configuration complexity
- Cost

Distributed Security Detailed Model



Distributed Security Detailed Model: Corporate Internet



Distributed Security Detailed Model: Campus and WAN



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High-End Resilient Design Goals

- Security throughout the infrastructure
- Secure management and reporting
- Authentication of key users and operators
- Intrusion detection for critical areas
- Accommodation of emerging network apps
- Performance
- Resilience
- Scalability
- Out-of-band management
- No single point of total compromise
- Separation of security function

High-End Resilient Design Considerations

- Complexity of design
- Number of devices
- Asymmetric routing vs. state awareness
- Management infrastructure
- Administrative roles
- Cost

High-End Resilient Modules



High-End Resilient Campus Detail



History Hack #3: Robert Morris's Internet Worm

- Self-replicating worm built to infect machines and replicate itself
- Took down 10% of the Internet in 1988 (about 6,000 hosts)
- Not malicious, but what if it was?
- Error in programming caused it to run more than once on the same system
- Took advantage of weaknesses in Sun 3 and VAX systems running 4 BSD UNIX
- <u>http://www2.ncsu.edu:8010/eos/info/computer_ethics/abuse/wvt/worm/darby/worm.html</u>
- Moral of the story? Patch apps, OSs and review code where possible



M. Okoniewski/AP File

Robert Morris's Internet Worm

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• All the following events occurred on the evening of Nov. 2, 1988

6:00 PM at about this time the worm is launched

8:49 PM the worm infects a VAX 8600 at the University of Utah (cs.utah.edu)

9:09 PM the worm initiates the first of its attacks to infect other computers from the infected VAX

9:21 PM the load average on the system reaches 5 (load average is a measure of how hard the computer system is working; at 9:30 at night, the load average of the VAX is usually 1; any load average higher than 5 causes delays in data processing)

9:41 PM the load average reaches 7

10:01 PM the load average reaches 16

10:06 PM at this point there are so many worms infecting the system that no new processes can be started; no users can use the system anymore

10:20 PM the system administrator kills off the worms

10:41 PM the system is reinfested and the load average reaches 27

10:49 PM the system administrator shuts down the system; the system is subsequently restarted

11:21 PM reinfestation causes the load average to reach 37

Campus Network Section

- Management module
- Building access and distribution
- Core and server modules
- Edge distribution module

Management Channel Security

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In-band in the clear

Optionally with strong authentication

In-band secured

Application layer encryption (SSH, SSL)

Network layer encryption (IPSec)

Good for non config protocols

Syslog, TFTP, SNMP

 Out-of-band management Strongest security Beware topo sensitive NMS

Management Module Design Goals

Out-of-band management

Separate physical networks

Separate address space (i.e. 192.168.25x.xxx)

Use IPSec if physical separation is not possible

 Firewall between management subnet and managed-device subnet

Design Goals (Cont.)

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- Isolate managed ports to minimize impact of compromised device
- NIDS and HIDS on the management subnet
- One-time passwords for authentication of administrators
- SNMP read-only

snmp-server community Txo~QbW3XM RO 98
access-list 98 permit host
192.168.253.51

Attack Mitigation Roles for Management Module



Management Firewall— Stateful Packet Filtering



Managed Device Subnet

interface FastEthernet0/23
port protected
no cdp enable
!
interface FastEthernet0/24
no cdp enable

To Dedicated Management LAN Port on Each Device

OOB Mgmt Access Control

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! Access control configuration for all managed routers
I Inbound ACL
access-list 101 permit icmp any any
! Required for Tacacs+
access-list 101 permit tcp 192.168.253.0 0.0.0.255 host 192.168.254.13 established
! Required for TFTP
access-list 101 permit udp 192.168.253.0 0.0.0.255 host 192.168.254.13 gt 1023
! Other Management Access
access-list 101 permit tcp 192.168.253.0 0.0.0.255 host 192.168.254.13 eq telnet
access-list 101 permit udp host 192.168.253.51 host 192.168.254.13 eq snmp
access-list 101 permit udp host 192.168.253.53 host 192.168.254.13 eq tftp
access-list 101 permit udp host 192.168.254.57 host 192.168.254.13 eq ntp
access-list 101 deny
                     ip any any log
! Outbound ACL (local router isn't affected by ACLs)
access-list 102 deny ip any any log
! Management Interface Settings
interface FastEthernet0/0
 ip address 192.168.254.13 255.255.255.0
 ip access-group 101 in
 ip access-group 102 out
 no cdp enable
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Building and Distribution Design Goals

 Using VLANs, layer 2 separation for: Data and voice ports

Ports between corporate departments

- Host virus scanning
- Layer 3 access-control at distribution prevents IP spoofing and filters traffic

Attack Mitigation Roles for Building and Distribution Modules



Campus Network Section

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Core and Server Module Design Goals

L3 switching with authenticated routing protocol

- Private VLANs between servers that do not need communication
- Layer 3 access control
- HIDS and NIDS to protect server resources

Attack Mitigation Roles for Core and Server Modules

To Building Distribution Module



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Edge Distribution Module Design Goals

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- Aggregation of four edge functions
- Similar to building distribution except:

Layer 3 filtering can be more extensive since types of access are different

Can partially rely on firewall functions in edge functional areas

Last line of defense prior to reaching campus resources

Attack Mitigation Roles for Edge Distribution Module














History Hack #4: Kevin Mitnick vs. Tsutomu Shimomura

- Step 1: recon
- Step 2: fill x-server's connection queue
- Step 3: predict x-terminal's TCP ISN generation method
- Step 4: spoof session to x-terminal from x-server
- Step 5: change .rhosts to permit any user from any host
- Step 6: install tool to grant access to pre-authenticated session from xterminal to target
- Moral of the story? Trust relationships matter...a lot (and spoof mitigation matters too)







Server

Enterprise Edge Detail—Part 1



Enterprise Edge Detail—Part 2



Edge Network Section

- Corporate Internet module
- Remote access VPN module
- Extranet module
- WAN module
- E-commerce module

Corporate Internet Module Design Goals

- Resilient firewall pair
- Three security points

 Ingress from ISP
 Public host DMZ
 Internal corporate network
- Security applications
 SMTP content filtering
 URL inspection

Corporate Internet Module—Detail



Attack Mitigation Roles for Corporate Internet Module



Stateful Packet Filtering: Internet to DMZ, Corporate Network

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Stateful Packet Filtering: Corporate Network to DMZ and URL Filter



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Remote Access VPN Module Design Goals

- Resilient firewall pair
- Three different security requirements
 Classic (PSTN) remote access
 VPN remote access
 - Site-to-site VPN connectivity

Remote Access VPN Module—Detail



Attack Mitigation Roles for Remote Access VPN Module



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Extranet Module Design Goals

 Terminate business partner connections

Remote access IPsec

Site to site IPsec

- Mitigate application server attacks
- Prevent extranet as launch-point into campus

Extranet Module—Detail



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Classic WAN Module: Detail and Attack Mitigation



- Classic WAN not often addressed in security context
- ISP initiated man-in-the-middle attacks can be mitigated by several IOS features:

Layer 3/4 access-control

IPSec encryption—needed if level of trust for layer 2 WAN technology is not high

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Edge Network Section

- Corporate Internet module
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- E-commerce module

E-Commerce Module Design Goals

- Highest visibility = largest attack target
- Tiered resilient FW design
- Layered host and network IDS
- Proper trust model

E-Commerce Module—Detail



Attack Mitigation Roles for E-Commerce Module



- Who: 359,104 hosts in 13 hours
- What: Internet worm affecting IIS web servers
- Where: Everywhere
- When: July 19
- How: Buffer overflow attack in Microsoft's Index Server (a part of IIS)
- \$1.2 billion in damages; estimates from Computer Economics (Carlsbad, CA)



 Two versions: CRv1 and CRv2 both affect WIN2K and NT

> CRv1—used random number generator using static seed to generate new IP addresses; static seed meant that limited number of machines would be hit

CRv2—better random number generator; more machines hit; at peak, CRv2 infected 2,000 hosts/minute

 Code-Red II—affects only WIN2K; more likely to attack systems that shared portion of infected system's IP address; installed minimal back-doors into systems (copies of cmd.exe, new file shares, etc.)









Crunchy on the Outside... Crunchy in the Middle



Implementing Security: Where Do I Start?

- "Network security is a system"
- Develop a security policy based on business requirements and likely threats
- Perform a network vulnerability analysis
- Use a modular approach to designing and deploying a security solution
- Maintain security posture through disciplined system and network administration

Other Sessions of Interest

- Risk and Threat Model —SEC-200
- Security on Ethernet Switches SEC-307
- Security on Routers—SEC-211
- Understanding and Deploying Intrusion Detection Systems—SEC-204
- Advanced Concepts in Security Threats—SEC-400
- Surviving a DoS Attack—SEC 301

Further Reading

 <u>http://www.cisco.com/warp/public/cc/so/cuso/epso/</u> sqfr/safe_wp.htm

www.cisco.com/go/safe

www.cisco.com/go/security

www.cisco.com/go/evpn

www.cisco.com/go/securityassociates

Networking Professionals Connection (forums.cisco.com)

Improving Security on Cisco Routers

http://www.cisco.com/warp/public/707/21.html

Essential IOS Features Every ISP Should Consider

http://www.cisco.com/warp/public/707/ EssentialIOSfeatures_pdf.zip

Increasing Security on IP Networks (oldie but a goodie)

http://www.cisco.com/cpress/cc/td/cpress/ ccie/ndcs798/nd2016.htm



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