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**ACCESS CONTROLS
SECURITY MONITORING
SECURITY WORKSHOP**



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ACCESS CONTROLS

- Principles of Access Controls
- Network based access controls
- Host based access controls
- Accounts based access controls
- Demo/Exercise

Principles of Access Controls

The most perhaps fundamental security control

- *Access Control domain covers mechanisms by which a system grants or revokes the right to access data or perform an action on an information system.*
- *Access Control systems include:*
 - *File permissions, such as “create,” “read,” “edit,” or “delete” on a file server.*
 - *Program permissions, such as the right to execute a program on an application server*
 - *Database access rights: No Access, Read, Read & Add, Own records only, Edit, Manage*
 - *Data rights, such as the right to retrieve or update information in a database*

Understanding Access Controls

- Types of controls (preventive, detective, corrective)
- Discretionary vs mandatory
- Identification, Authentication, Authorisation, Logging
- Decentralized/distributed access control techniques
- Authorization mechanisms
- Logging and monitoring

Understand access control attacks

- Treats and attack vectors
- Asset evaluation
- Vulnerability management
- Aggregation of multiple credentials



Types of Access Controls

- Administrative
- Technical
- Physical

- Preventive
- Detective
- Corrective
- Recovery

The Bell–LaPadula model

- A classical Access control model
- The model defines two mandatory access control (MAC) rules and one discretionary access control (DAC) rule with three security properties:
- The Simple Security Property - a subject at a given security level may not read an object at a higher security level (**no read-up**).
- The ★-property (read "star"-property) - a subject at a given security level must not write to any object at a lower security level (**no write-down**).
- The Discretionary Security Property - use of an access matrix to specify the discretionary access control.

Source: wikipedia

Access Controls for accounts

- Authentication -> weak/strong/open?
- Account locking
- Monitoring
- Processes
- EULA/Terms of use
- Abuse/CSIRT

Enforcement for privacy protection

BDSG (Attachment to §9 part 1)

1. Access control: against unauthorized physical access to IT resources
2. Access control: against unauthorized usage access to IT resources
3. Access control: Defining roles of access (provide adequate privileges (not root at all))
4. Access control: Secure transmissions and storage of data
5. Log control: Store information, who access the data (time, kind of access; storage, change, deletion)
6. Control of order-data processing: Securing access to data in accordance to terms of contracts (i.e „Outsourcing“)
7. Availability control: Guarantee that data is available and not corrupted
8. Separation control: Ensure data is not mixed if collected for different purposes

BDSG = Bundesdatenschutzgesetz (German Data Protection Law)

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Access Controls and Compliance 1 (2)

ISO/IEC 27001:2005

11.1 Business Requirement for Access Control

11.1.1 Access control Policy

11.2 User Access Management

11.2.1 User Registration

11.2.2 Privilege Measurement

11.2.3 User password management

11.2.4 Review of user access rights

11.3 User Responsibilities

11.3.1 Password Use

11.3.2 Unattended user equipment

11.3.3 Clear Desk and Clear Screen Policy

Access Controls and Compliance (2)

- 11.4 Network Access control
 - 11.4.1 Policy on use of network services
 - 11.4.2 User authentication for external connections
 - 11.4.3 Equipment identification in networks
 - 11.4.4 Remote diagnostic and configuration port protection
 - 11.4.5 Segregation in networks
 - 11.4.6 Network connection control
 - 11.4.7 Network Routing control
- 11.5 Operating System Access Control
 - 11.5.1 Secure Log-on procedures
 - 11.5.2 User identification and authentication
 - 11.5.3 Password Management system
 - 11.5.4 Use of system utilities
 - 11.5.5 Session Time-out
 - 11.5.6 Limitation of connection time
- 11.6 Application access control
 - 11.6.1 Information access restriction
 - 11.6.2 Sensitive system isolation
- 11.7 Mobile Computing and Teleworking
 - 11.7.1 Mobile computing and communication
 - 11.7.2 Teleworking



Network based Access controls

What are they?



Firewalls

- Control traffic and deny unwanted traffic concerning defined rules at the entrance to your corporate network
- Firewall requirements:
 - Should be fast enough (no time delays)
 - Mostly free communication from inside to outside, but only real needed communication from outside to inside
 - Implement as much security as possible
 - Minimize time and effort for sysadmins
 - Be sure to secure any communication path to your network
- Available solutions:
 - Different solution available. You can choose dependend on time, money, and expertise

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Personal Firewalls

- For local security policy control use Personal Firewalls and/or TCP-Wrappers
- Those can be configured to personal needs
- Allows to implement a more secure polica than for the one defined for your corporation
- Additionally implements protection against internal threats.
- Logging on host level possible

- Examples:
 - Kaspersky Virus scanner
 - Avira AntiVir
 - TCP-Wrapper
 - Windows 7-Firewall
 - Iptables for LINUX

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Iptables

Man iptables

Iptables is used to set up, maintain, and inspect the tables of IPv4 packet filter rules in the Linux kernel. Several different tables may be defined. Each table contains a number of built-in chains and may also contain user-defined chains.

Each chain is a list of rules which can match a set of packets. Each rule specifies what to do with a packet that matches. This is called a 'target', which may be a jump to a user-defined chain in the same table.

- a statefull firewall
- Ipv6tables, xtables....
- UI's, such as ufw

Iptables exercise

Login in on your host and perform the following tasks (with sufficient credential):

1. What is your current iptables rules?
2. Install apache (use yum or apt-get, depending on your platform) and start it to run on port 80
3. Check if you can access port 80 from localhost and from a remote host
4. Deny access to port 80 to your remote host
5. Check that access was denied

Iptables exercise 2

6. Allow established traffic
7. Allow ssh only from localhost and remote host; http and ICMP from everywhere, deny rest
8. Limit http to 50 connections*
9. Limit traffic to 50 established connections*

* We do this with iptables only, no need to touch httpd conf yet

Host based access controls?

What are they?



sshd_config

- Man sshd_config
- Best practices:
 - Allow only SSH2
 - Limit root access (source, keys only)
 - Disable/limit host.based authentication
 - Warning banner
 - Disable empty passwords
 - Use tcpwrappers
 - Mitigate brute-force attacks

Other host based access controls

- /etc/hosts.allow
- /etc/hosts.deny
- /etc/passwd, /etc/shadow
- /etc/groups
- Grub.conf
- /etc/login.defs
- Selinux
 - Enforcing/Permissive/Disabled
- Directory rights and ownerships

Exercise/ host based access controls

- On your host:
 - Enable sshd best practices
 - Install fail2ban ,allow five failed logins
 - Test, test ,test
 - Examine
 - Your other host based configuration
 - freeze (nologin) unnecessary accounts
 - Require 8 char passwords not older than 6 months

SECURITY MONITORING

- Availability monitoring
- Port Scans
- Integrity checks
- Penetration testing

Availability monitoring

- The A in the CIA 'formula'
- Availability is mostly way security interfaces with the rest of their organisation?
- How many 'nines' do we need? (see wikipedia ;)

Availability %	Downtime per year	Downtime per month*	Downtime per week
90% ("one nine")	36.5 days	72 hours	16.8 hours
95%	18.25 days	36 hours	8.4 hours
97%	10.96 days	21.6 hours	5.04 hours
98%	7.30 days	14.4 hours	3.36 hours
99% ("two nines")	3.65 days	7.20 hours	1.68 hours
99.5%	1.83 days	3.60 hours	50.4 minutes
99.8%	17.52 hours	86.23 minutes	20.16 minutes
99.9% ("three nines")	8.76 hours	43.8 minutes	10.1 minutes
99.95%	4.38 hours	21.56 minutes	5.04 minutes
99.99% ("four nines")	52.56 minutes	4.32 minutes	1.01 minutes
99.999% ("five nines")	5.26 minutes	25.9 seconds	6.05 seconds

Example of Availability Monitoring/EGI

NGI	Availability Aug-2013	Reliability Aug-2013	Availability Jul-2013	Availability Jun-2013		
Albania	NA	NA	NA	NA		
Armenia	98,8%	98,8%	79,1%	93,2%		
AsiaPacific	98,0%	100,0%	100,0%	99,8%		
Austria	100,0%	100,0%	100,0%	100,0%		
Belarus	NA	NA	NA	NA		
Bosnia Herzegovina	98,5%	98,5%	95,3%	99,4%		
Bulgaria	99,7%	99,7%	91,1%	99,6%		
CERN	99,9%	99,9%	98,5%	100,0%		
Croatia	100,0%	100,0%	100,0%	100,0%		
Cyprus	100,0%	100,0%	100,0%	88,3%		
Czech Republic	100,0%	100,0%	99,9%	100,0%		
Denmark	NA	NA	NA	NA		
Estonia	NA	NA	NA	NA	99.56	99.56
FYR Macedonia	97,1%	97,1%	99,2%	100,0%	96.69	96.69
Finland	NA	NA	NA	NA	100.00	100.00
	FI JYU	NGI FI			100.00	100.00
	FI LUT	NGI FI			97.22	97.22
	FI Oulu	NGI FI			100.00	100.00
	FI TUT	NGI FI			100.00	100.00
	FI UEF	NGI FI			99.86	99.86
	FI UTU	NGI FI			100.00	100.00

Port Scans

- A good tool to identify risky services
- Should be run regularly
- Use netcat, nessus, ...
- It is important to manage the results of the scans
 - Policy!
 - Who is In charge of changes

Intrusion Detection Systems

- Analyses traffic on suspicious patterns, which indicate possible attacks (e.g. port scans)
- Located somewhere in your network, so that communication streams can be read. Not able to stop traffic, only reactive behaviour (see IPS below)
- Requirements on Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS):
 - Fast, so that any traffic can be scanned
 - Always up-to-date virus database needed
 - Easy to configure (only small time efforts, well organized management)
 - Procedural analysis possible
 - Interaction with firewall appreciated
- Available solutions:
 - Different solution available. You can choose dependend on time, money, and expertise

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Intrusion Prevention Systeme

- Similar to Intrusion Detection System
- Analyses traffic on suspicious patterns, which indicate possible attacks (e.g. port scans)
- Located within communication stream, forwards data only after scanning it, i.e. proactive behaviour
- Requirements on Intrusion Prevention Systems (IPS):
 - Fast, so that any traffic can be scanned
 - Always up-to-date virus database needed
 - Easy to configure (only small time efforts, well organized management)
 - Procedural analysis needed; should work without admin interaction
 - Interaction with firewall appreciated (in principle it is a FW already)
- Available solutions:
 - Different solution available. You can choose dependend on time, money, and expertise

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Security Monitoring and Compliance

ISO/IEC 27001:2005

6.1.8 Independent review of information security

7.1 Responsibility for Assets

8.1.1 Roles and Responsibilities

8.2.1 Management Responsibility

8.2.2 Information security awareness, education and training

8.2.3 Disciplinary process

8.3 Termination or change of employment

8.3.1 Termination responsibility

8.3.2 Return of assets

8.3.3 Removal of access rights

9.1.1 Physical security Perimeter

11.2.4 Review of user access rights

... and many more!



Security Audits and Security Exercises



Internet Security Scanner (ISS) /Nessus

Objective: **To be faster than a hacker**

- Checks all/important hosts/server within your infrastructure on security vulnerability
- Automatic Up-Date of pattern database
- Automatic generation of vulnerability reports
- Analysis of hosts on admin request or automatically if a service on the host is accessible from outside
- Vulnerability report will be send to admin of system

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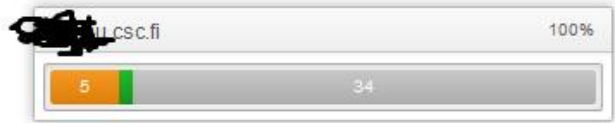


- Hosts 1
- Vulnerabilities 29
- Export Results

Hosts Summary

Sort Options

Filter Hosts



Integrity checks

- File Integrity checks
 - Tripwire
 - AIDE
 - Check www-securityfocus.com -> Tools – Auditing - > File Integrity
- Accounts
 - Compare with well known good state
- Services, mounts,
 - ps, strace, lsof, netstat, w,...
 - Compare with well known good state
- Packet integrity
 - Use your packet management tool (rpm, apt)
 - rpm -v
- If we have time: Download Nessus Vulnerability Scanner Home edition, free for personal use – and check your host!
- Use your commons sense in all exercises!

Other useful sources of information

- **Utmp** - *current* status of the system, system boot time (used by *uptime*), recording user logins at which terminals, logouts, system events etc.
- **wtmp** acts as a historical utmp
- **btmp** records failed login attempts

- **SYSLOG!**
 - Facility/severity
 - Access log
 - Error.log

Exercises/ Security Monitoring

- Do a port scan your host
 - `nc -z myhost 1-1023`
 - `# nmap -v -sS 192.168.0.0/24`
 - `# nmap -v -sT 192.168.0.0/24`
- Install and test tripwire, create a baseline
- Check network status
 - `net, ifconfig`
- Check mounted filesystems and open files
 - `Mount, lsof, ps`
- Check user accounts
 - `Id, finger, history, utmp, wtmp, last`

Policies and Best Information Security Practices for Scientific Infrastructures and Sites/ EUDAT

EUDAT Security Policy

EUDAT Security Organisation

EUDAT CSIRT and IH

EUDAT ToU and SLA

EUDAT Service Security Assessment

Incident Handling and Coordination

- EUDAT – current status