Events Management or How to Survive Security Incidents

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Agenda

- Today's Situation
- How to implement a solution
- How to handle security incidents
- Examples & tools
- Q & A

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Introduction

- Some scenarios
 - Present
 - Source: Real-time alerts
 - Action: Immediate investigation
 - Past (during last week or month)
 - Source: Reporting
 - Action: Adapt procedures & infrastructure
 - Investigations (smoke signal)
 - Source: Specific Request
 - Action: Forensics

Today's Issues

- Technical
 - Networks are complex
 - Based on non-heterogeneous components (firewalls, IDS, proxies, etc)
 - Millions of daily events
 - Lot of consoles/tools
 - Protocols & applications



Today's Issues (next)

- Economical
 - "Time is Money"
 - Investigations must be performed in real-time
 - Downtime may have a huge business impact
 - Reduced staff & budgets
 - Happy Shareholders

Today's Issues (next)

- Legal
 - Compliance requirements
 - PCI-DSS, SOX, HIPAA, etc
 - Initiated by the group or business
 - Local laws
 - Due diligence & due care
 - Security policies must be enforced!



Current Situation

- Organizations are using good security perimeters based on proven solutions
- But without a clear view and control of the infrastructure
- Attacks become more and more sophisticated and frequent
- Not prepared to deal with security incidents

Requirements

To handle security incidents properly organization must rely on:

- Tools
- Procedures
 - Upstream
 - Downstream
 - Continuous (!)
- Event Management != Big Brother



Visibility

- More integration, more sources, more chances to detect a problem
- Integration of external source of information could help the detection of incidents
 - Automatic vulnerability scans
 - Import of vulnerabilities database
- Awareness

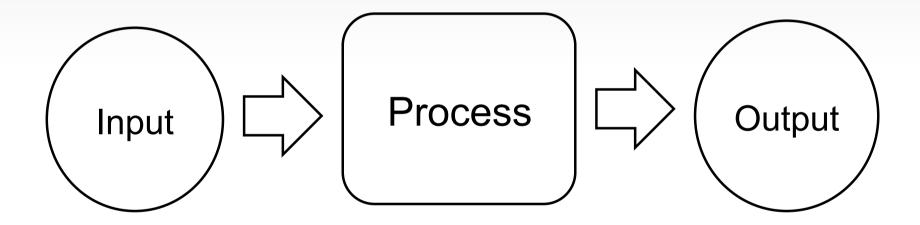
Know your Network

- Inventory
 - Devices
 - Protocols
 - Users
- Behavior
 - Bandwidth Usage
 - EPS (Events per Second)



Procedures

- Boring but required!
- Back to the Basics:



- Input → Change management
- Output → Incident management

Change Management

- New devices are connected
- Old devices are decommissioned
- Users provisioning
- New applications are deployed
- Security perimeter? Still valid?



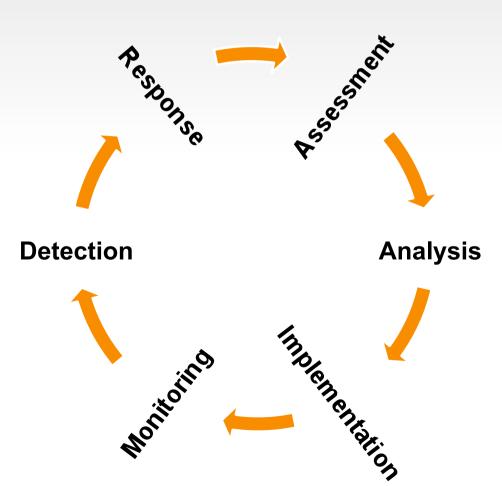
Incident Management

- Business first! (MTTR)
- Avoid decisions made urgently
- Keywords
 - Understand
 - Protect
 - Recover
 - Investigate



Prevention

- Recurrent process!
- Security lifecycle
- Require time
- Informations
 - Forums
 - Blogs
 - Conferences



A Security Incident?

- Definitions
 - An event is "an observable change to the normal behavior of a system, environment, process, workflow or person (components)."
 - Incident is "a series of events that adversely affects the information assets of an organization"
- Examples? Read the press! ;-)
- You will face one!



Security Convergence

- Physical Security + Logical Security
- Example
 - Geolocalization
 - Users authentication + badge control



A Four-Steps Process

- Collection
- Normalization
- Index
- Storage

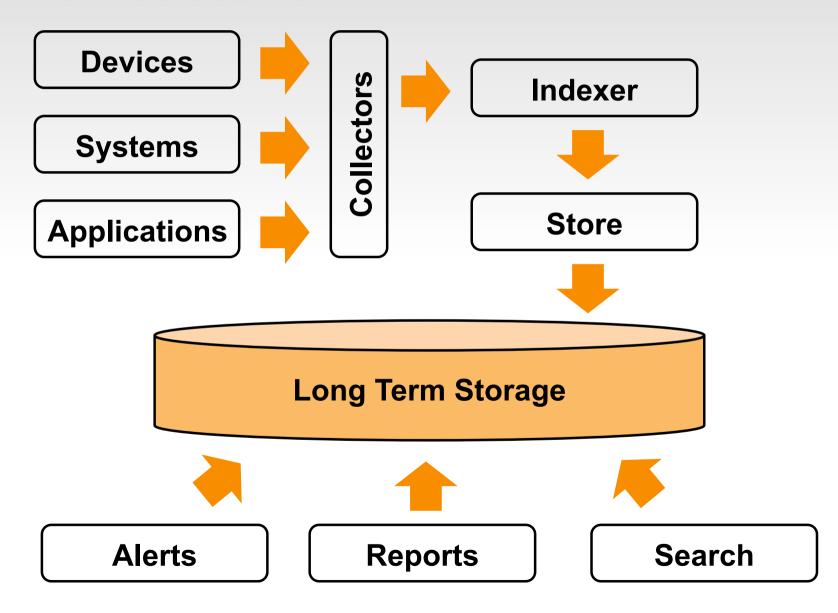


Three Actions

- Real-time alerts
- Reports
- "Forensics" or "smoke signals"



Architecture



Need of a SOC?

- Yes but ...
- SOC or SPoC
- Directly depending on your organization size
- Starting with a dedicated person is enough
- Investments (time & money)
- Roles: Alerts, Reports, Investigate



Communication

- Mandatory step in the process
- Do not lie!
- Be transparant
- Online reputation
 - Must be properly managed
 - Think about shareholders
 - The press
 - Customers



Examples

- To follow...
 - Apache
 - Google
 - Splunk
- To avoid...
 - The "Belgian Juweler"



Examples & Tools

- OSSEC
- OSSIM
- Apache mod_dlp
- Ngrep for basic DLP



Thank You!

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