A day in the life doing incident response without Bro. And how it could be so much better!

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- Intro, backgrounds
- My life before Bro
- Discovering Bro
- Life after Bro
- Corelight
- Questions



Vince background













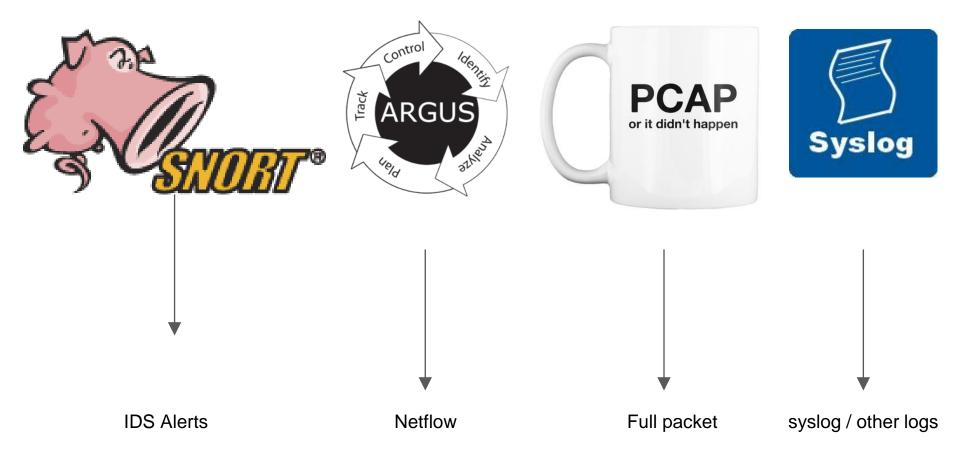
Matt Bromiley

- Incident responder/forensicator
 - Disk, network, memory forensics
 - A little bit of malware
- SANS instructor
 - FOR508
 - o FOR572
- A lover of making network analysis easier aka Bro!





Life before Bro







- Software flow generator, netflow replacement
- Easy to deploy
- Suite of command line tools for analysis and graphing
- High level metadata (no protocol analysis)
- Search for bad IPs, check connection details, etc.





- Great for matching packet signatures
- LOTS of tuning
- After a year or so I had a good system running
- Alerts + PCAP snippets

But that left me in the dark a lot!



Other logs





- DHCP
- DNS
- SMTP
- AAA/LDAP
- RADIUS
- o etc.

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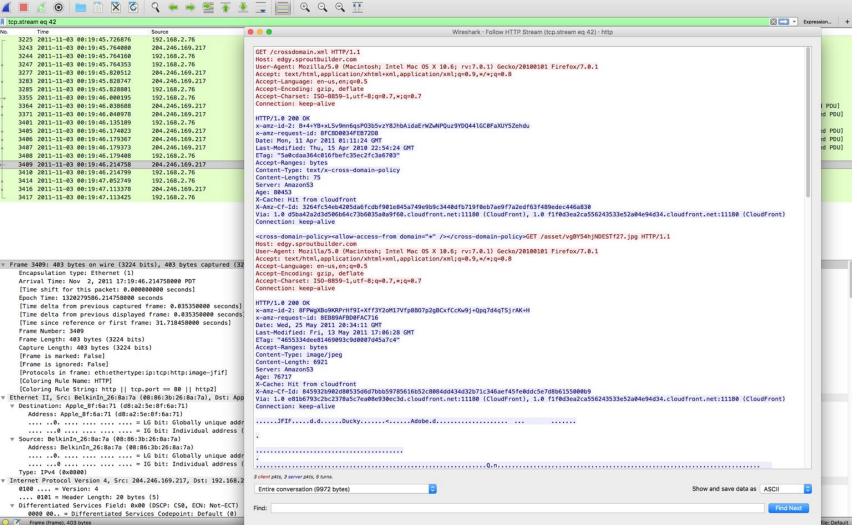
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root console
reboot ~
_mbsetupuser console
root console
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Wed Mar 8 12:54 - 12:54 (00:00)
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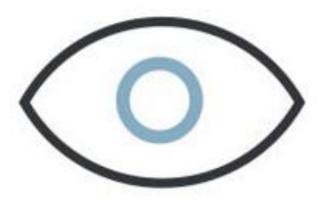
- Possible privacy concerns
- Storage problems
- How to do large-scale search and analysis?





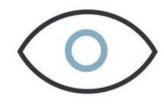


Discovery!



BRO





Wait....what is Bro?

BRO

Open-source network monitoring project created more than 22 years ago

- A standalone network monitor
- A programmable framework
- A community of operators and users

bro.org





The Bro Platform

Analysis

Network Visibility Intrusion Detection Vulnerability Management Traffic Measurement

Traffic Control

Compliance Monitoring

Platform

Programming Language

Standard Library

Packet Processing



Network

Tap

Life after Bro

```
> bro -i eth0
[ ... wait ... ]
> ls *.log
app stats.log
                                    ntlm.log
communication.log
                                    rdp.log
conn.log
                                    reporter.log
dce rpc.log
                                    signatures.log
dhcp.log
                                    smb files.log
dns.log
                                    smb mapping.log
dpd.log
                                    smtp.log
files.log
                                    socks.log
ftp.log
                                    software.log
http.log
                                    ssh.log
irc.log
                                    ssl.log
known hosts.log
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notice.log
                                    weird.log
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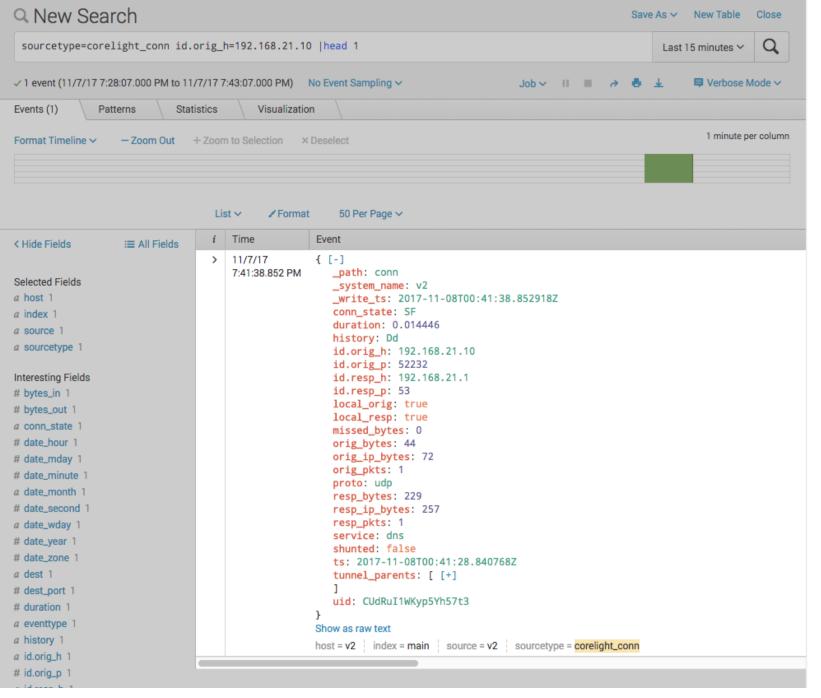


Bro's Log Files

Rich, structured, protocol specific real-time activity streams that are policy neutral.

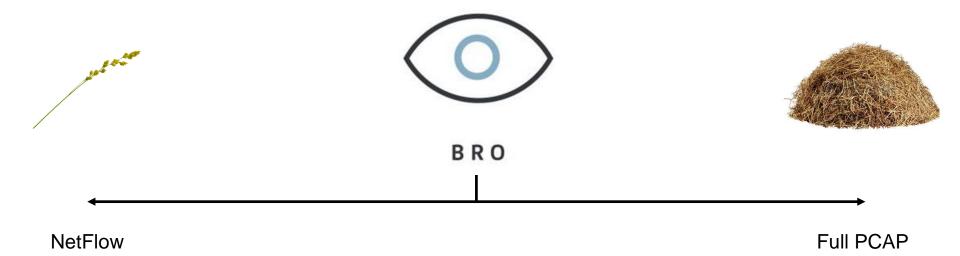
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1320279578.886650	Ceq34w3Lzr09rVwKC		52052	63.241.108.124		tcp	http	0.498720	1566	2543	SF			0	ShADadfF
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Just right...





Connection Log (selected fields)

ts	1393099415.790834	Timestamp		
uid	CSoqsg12YRTsWjYbZc	Unique ID		
id.orig_h	2004:b9e5:6596:9876:[]	Originator IP		
id.orig_p	59258	Originator Port		
id.resp_h	2b02:178:2fde:bff:[]	Responder IP		
id.resp_p	80	Responder Port		
proto	tcp	IP Protocol		
service	http	App-layer Protocol		
duration	2.105488	Duration		
orig_bytes	416	Bytes by Originator		
resp_bytes	858	Bytes by Responder		
conn_state	SF	TCP state		
local_orig	F	Local Originator?		
missed_bytes	0	Gaps		
history	ShADafF	State History		
tunnel_parents	Cneap78AnVWoA1yml	Outer Tunnels		



DNS Log (normalized)

ts	2017-10-27T20:26:04.156295Z	Timestamp
uid	CSoqsg12YRTsWjYbZc	Unique ID
id.orig_h	192.168.1.108	Originator IP
id.orig_p	59258	Originator Port
id.resp_h	192.168.1.1	Responder IP
id.resp_p	53	Responder Port
trans_id	62789	Transaction ID
query	www.test.com	Query
qclass and qclass_name	(1)C_INTERNET	Query class and name
qtype and qtype_name	(1)A	Query type and name
rcode and rcode_name	(0) NOERROR	Response code and name
answers	69.172.200.235	Answers
TTLs	977.0	TTL for answers
rejected	FALSE	Rejected?
flags	"AA":false,"TC":false,"RD":true, "RA":true,"Z":0	DNS flags

HTTP log (selected fields)

ts	1393099291.589208				
uid	CKFUW73bIADw0r9pl				
id.orig_h	2a07:f2c0:90:402:41e:c13:6cb:99c				
id.orig_p	54352				
id.resp_h	2406:fe60:f47::aaeb:98c				
id.resp_p	80				
method	POST				
host	com-services.pandonetworks.com				
uri	/soapservices/services/SessionStart				
referrer	-				
user_agent	Mozilla/4.0 (Windows; U) Pando/2.6.0.8				
status_code	200				
username	anonymous				
password	_				
orig_mime_types	application/xml				
resp_mime_types	application/xml				















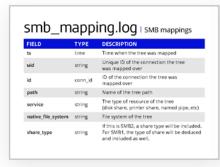
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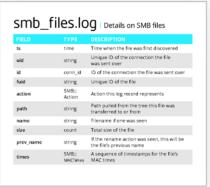


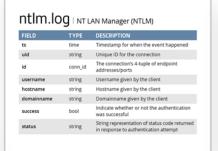
OTHERS...

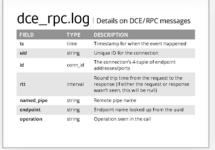
NEW SMB LOGS:

ONE COOL FEATURE AMONG MANY.













Ways to use the logs

- Incident response
- Forensics
- Threat hunting
- Tracking vulnerable software
- and more...



Bro fundamentally changed the way I did incident response

- Connection log for confirmation
- Protocol logs provide context
- UID to track connections
- Files log is amazing
- SSL log for encrypted traffic



Use case: incident response scenario

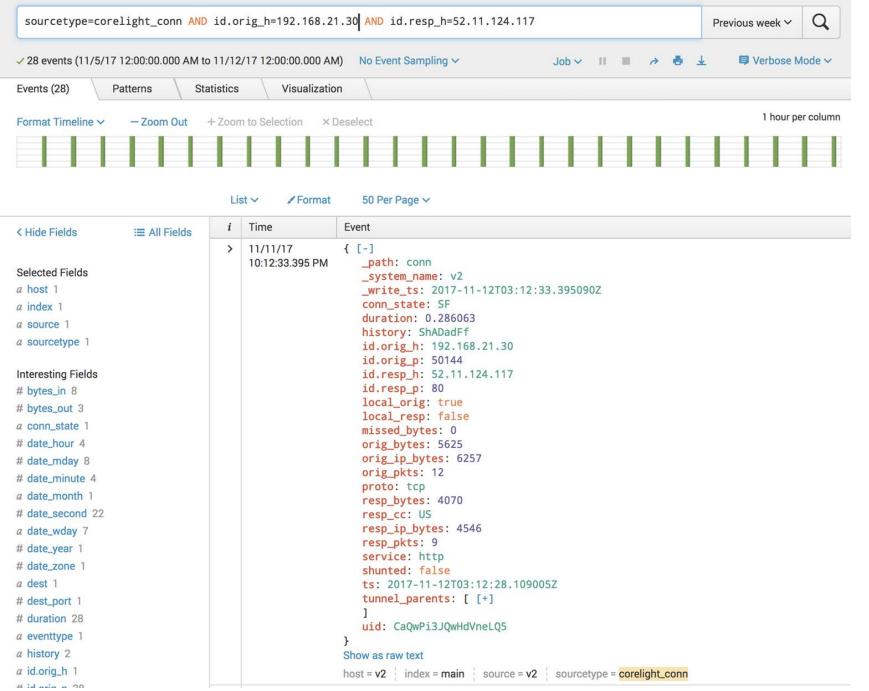
- User came back from a break and saw the machine was logged in as administrator (rarely used)
- saw a run window with a command in it
- called the security team





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UID:ONE COOL FEATURE

AMONG MANY.

FIELD	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
ts	time	Timestamp of the first packet
uid	string	Unique ID of the connection
id.orig_h	addr	Originating endpoint's IP address (Orig)
id.orig_p	port	Originating endpoint's TCP/UDP port (or ICMP code)
id.resp_h	addr	Responding endpoint's IP address (Resp)
id.resp_p	port	Responding endpoint's TCP/UDP port (or ICMP code)
proto	proto	Transport layer protocol of connection
service	string	Detected application protocol, if any
duration	interval	Connection length
orig_bytes	count	Orig payload bytes; from sequence numbers if TCP
resp_bytes	count	Resp payload bytes; from sequence numbers if TCP
conn_state	string	Connection state (see conn.log > conn_state)
local_orig	bool	Is Orig in Site::local_nets?
local_resp	bool	Is Resp in Site::local_nets?
missed_bytes	count	Number of bytes missing due to content gaps
history	string	Connection state history (see conn.log > history)
orig_pkts	count	Number of Orig packets
orig_ip_bytes	count	Number of Orig IP bytes (via IP total_length header field)
resp_pkts	count	Number of Resp packets
resp_ip_bytes	count	Number of Resp IP bytes (via IP total_length header field)
tunnel_parents	set	If tunneled, connection UID of encapsulating parent(s)
orig_I2_addr	string	Link-layer address of the originator
resp_I2_addr	string	Link-layer address of the responder
vlan	int	The outer VLAN for this connection
inner_vlan	int	The inner VLAN for this connection







Q New Search CaQwPi3JQwHdVneLQ5 ✓ 4 events (11/5/17 12:00:00.000 AM to 11/12/17 12:00:00.000 AM) No Event Sampling ~ Events (4) Statistics Visualization Patterns Format Timeline > + Zoom to Selection × Deselect - Zoom Out List V ✓ Format 50 Per Page ∨ Time Event < Hide Fields ≡ All Fields 11/11/17 { [-] 10:12:33.395 PM _path: conn Selected Fields _system_name: v2 a host 2 _write_ts: 2017-11-12T03:12:33.395090Z conn_state: SF a index 1 duration: 0.286063 a source 2 history: ShADadFf a sourcetype 3 id.orig_h: 192.168.21.30 id.orig_p: 50144 Interesting Fields id.resp_h: 52.11.124.117 id.resp_p: 80 a analyzers{} 4 local_orig: true # bytes_in 1 local_resp: false # bytes_out 1 missed_bytes: 0 a conn_state 1 orig_bytes: 5625 orig_ip_bytes: 6257 a conn_uids{} 1 orig_pkts: 12 # date_hour 1 proto: tcp # date_mday 1 resp_bytes: 4070 # date_minute 1 resp_cc: US resp_ip_bytes: 4546 a date_month 1 resp_pkts: 9 # date_second 2 service: http a date_wday 1 shunted: false # date_year 1 ts: 2017-11-12T03:12:28.109005Z tunnel_parents: [[+] # date_zone 1] # depth 1 uid: CaQwPi3JQwHdVneLQ5 a dest 1

Show as raw text

host = v2 index = main source = v2 sourcetype = corelight_conn



dest_port 1

duration 2

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11/11/17
               { [-]
10:12:28.315 PM
                  _path: http
                  _system_name: v2
                  _write_ts: 2017-11-12T03:12:28.315696Z
                  host: updates.metasploit.com
                   id.orig_h: 192.168.21.30
                   id.orig_p: 50144
                   id.resp_h: 52.11.124.117
                   id.resp_p: 80
                   method: POST
                  orig_fuids: [ [+]
                  orig_mime_types: [ [+]
                  post_body: MIME-Version: 1.0
               Content-Disposition: attachment; filename="smime.p7m"
               Content-Type: application/x-pkcs7-mime; smime-type=enveloped-data; name="smime.p7m"
               Content-Transfer-Encoding: base64
               MIIO5gYJK...
                   request_body_len: 5364
                   resp_fuids: [ [+]
                  resp_mime_types: [ [+]
                   response_body_len: 4572
                   status_code: 200
                   status_msg: OK
                   tags: [ [+]
                   trans_depth: 1
                   ts: 2017-11-12T03:12:28.209405Z
                  uid: CaQwPi3JQwHdVneLQ5
                   uri: /updateserver
                  user_agent: MSFX/4.14.0 (r2017061301; x86_64-linux; 5947d8ac-83734020-166c2f31)
                   version: 1.1
               }
               Show as raw text
               host = v2 host = updates.metasploit.com | index = main | source = v2 | sourcetype = corelight_http
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{ [-]
11/11/17
                  _path: http
10:12:28.315 PM
                  _system_name: v2
                  _write_ts: 2017-11-12T03:12:28.315696Z
                  host: updates.metasploit.com
                  id.orig_h: 192.168.21.30
                  id.orig_p: 50144
                  id.resp_h: 52.11.124.117
                  id.resp_p: 80
                  method: POST
                  orig_fuids: [ [-]
                     FaAydJ2wkN8Hzznu22
                  orig_mime_types: [ [+]
                  post_body: MIME-Version: 1.0
               Content-Disposition: attachment; filename="smime.p7m"
               Content-Type: application/x-pkcs7-mime; smime-type=enveloped-data; name="smime.p7m"
               Content-Transfer-Encoding: base64
               MIIO5gYJK...
                  request_body_len: 5364
                  resp_fuids: [ [-]
                     FWqdzr3NPg9kgGBPch
                  resp_mime_types: [ [+]
                  response_body_len: 4572
                  status_code: 200
                  status_msg: OK
                  tags: [ [+]
                  trans depth: 1
                  ts: 2017-11-12T03:12:28.209405Z
                  uid: CaQwPi3JQwHdVneLQ5
                  uri: /updateserver
                  user_agent: MSFX/4.14.0 (r2017061301; x86_64-linux; 5947d8ac-83734020-166c2f31)
                  version: 1.1
               Show as raw text
               host = v2 host = updates.metasploit.com index = main source = v2 sourcetype = corelight_http
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FILE ANALYSIS:

ONE COOL FEATURE AMONG MANY.

$files.log \mid {\sf File\ analysis\ results}$

FIELD	TYPE	DESCRIPTION
ts	time	Timestamp when file was first seen
fuid	string	Unique identifier for a single file
tx_hosts	set	Host(s) that sourced the data
rx_hosts	set	Host(s) that received the data
conn_uids	set	Connection UID(s) over which file transferred
source	string	An identification of the source of the file data
depth	count	Depth of file related to source (e.g., HTTP request depth)
analyzers	set	Set of analyzers attached during file analysis
mime_type	string	File type, as determined by Bro's signatures
filename	string	Filename, if available from source analyzer
duration	interval	The duration that the file was analyzed for
local_orig	bool	Did the data originate locally?
is_orig	bool	Was the file sent by the Originator?
seen_bytes	count	Number of bytes provided to file analysis engine
total_bytes	count	Total number of bytes that should comprise the file
missing_bytes	count	Number of bytes in file stream missed
overflow_bytes	count	Out-of-sequence bytes in the stream due to overflow
timedout	bool	If the file analysis timed out at least once
parent_fuid	string	Container file ID this was extracted from
md5/sha1	string	MD5/SHA1 hash of the file
extracted	string	Local filename of extracted files, if enabled
entropy	double	Information density of the file contents



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{ [-]
11/11/17
              _path: files
10:12:28.315 PM
                  _system_name: v2
                  write_ts: 2017-11-12T03:12:28.315696Z
                  analyzers: [ [+]
                  conn_uids: [ [+]
                  depth: 0
                  duration: 0
                  fuid: FWqdzr3NPg9kgGBPch
                  is_orig: false
                  local_orig: false
                  md5: 2d1558df89e5898b44f7de194642860d
                  mime_type: text/plain
                  missing_bytes: 0
                  overflow_bytes: 0
                  rx_hosts: [ [+]
                  seen_bytes: 4572
                  sha1: 23b88c0c0a3d36676f046ecf01e61f312025ffef
                  sha256: a9ad6c8640b13ab89b6ed3085e5c84d37b44ca022790f1d175d72da61e88f4e1
                  source: HTTP
                  timedout: false
                  ts: 2017-11-12T03:12:28.315696Z
                  tx_hosts: [ [+]
               Show as raw text
               host = v2 index = main source = v2 source = HTTP sourcetype = corelight_files
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Use case: Forensics

- Since Bro is not alert based
- Same data available back in time
- ALL of your connections, files, protocols!!!
- Query for a URI, hash, domain name, whatever





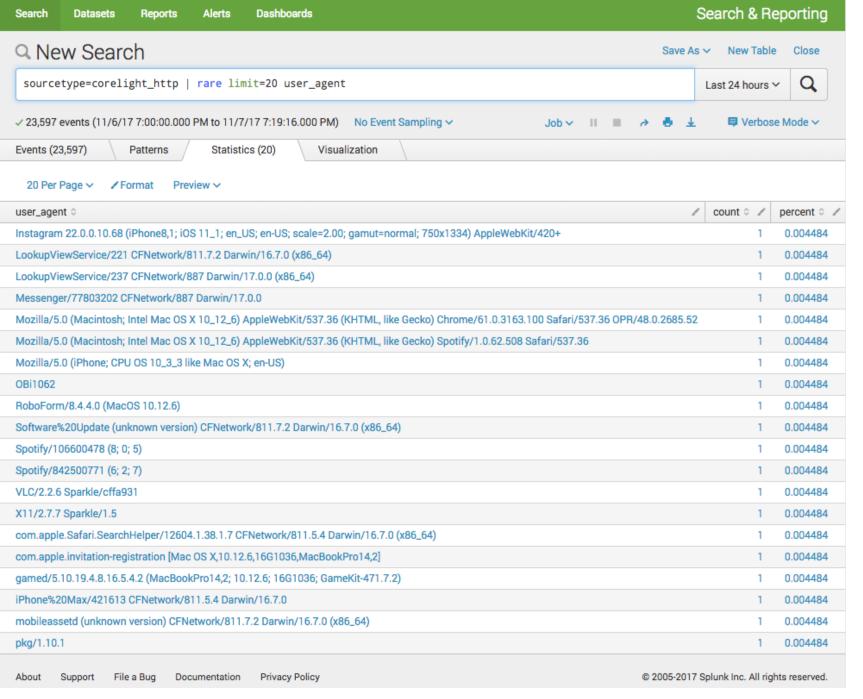
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General threat hunting with Bro

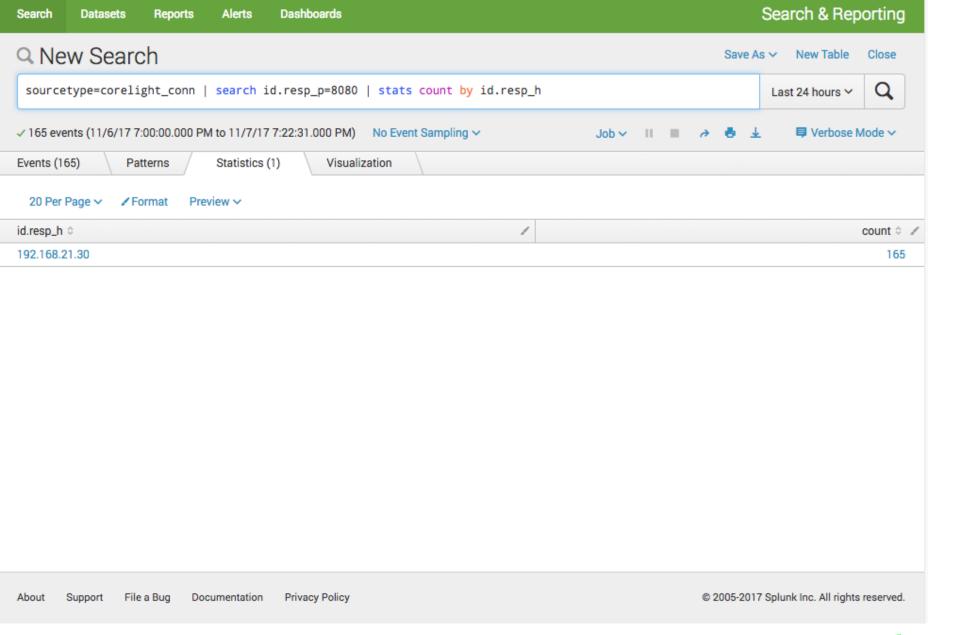
Examples:

- What are rare user agents?
- How many local servers answering on port 8080?
- How many clients are using TLSv1?

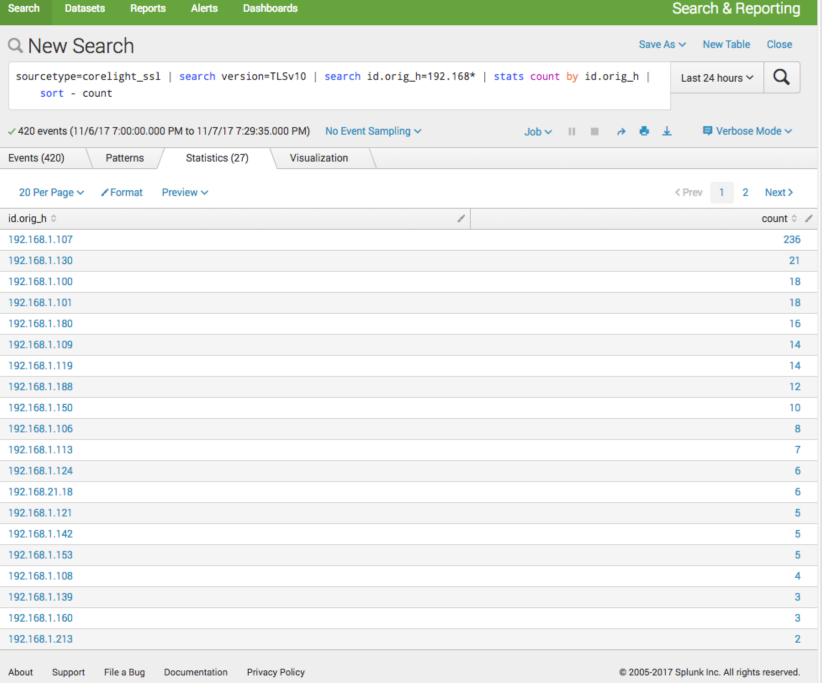














Dynamic Protocol Detection (DPD)

- DPD means that you'll see the protocol no matter what ports are used
- Don't need to be limited to searching ports
- Find off port protocol usage easily



File extraction

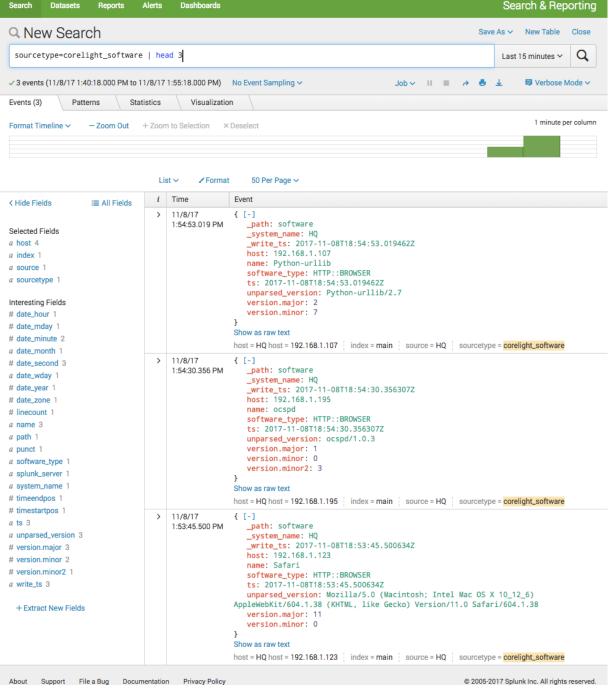
- Bro can optionally extract all the files it sees
- This can be done for forensics or integration with static or dynamic analysis
- Gets a lot closer to getting what you want out of PCAP



Use case - tracking vulnerable software

- software.log provides rich data about local software seen
- easy to search and script for response
- software log to monitor for strange versions and names







Bro scripting

- Bro is an event engine
- Bro scripting gives you a domain specific language to express simple and complex policies (scripts)
- Bro Package Manager
- So many possibilities time for another webcast!

Visit try.bro.org for a quick intro to Bro scripting



All aboard!

- Visit bro.org for docs and training
- Come to Brocon 2018 or other events!
- Most of all, install Bro and use the logs for IR
- Write or edit a Bro script
- Corelight for enterprise Bro deployment



Corelight Sensor

SCALABILITY

- 3-5x performance compared to self-engineered Bro
- · Optimized file extraction
- Multiple simultaneous exports

MANAGEMENT

- Comprehensive API
- Python Client

CUSTOM LOGIC AND APPLICATIONS

Flexible filtering, custom scripts

ENTERPRISE SUPPORT FROM THE CORE BRO TEAM





Questions??

Thank you!

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Bro Log Cheat Sheets:

https://github.com/corelight/bro-cheatsheets

