

## 1. 1. SEC555.1: SIEM Architecture

### SEC555.2: Service Profiling with SIEM

- Detection methods and relevance to log analysis
  - Attacker patterns
  - Attacker behaviors
  - Abnormalities
- Analyzing common application logs that generate tremendous amounts of data
  - DNS
    - Finding new domains being accessed
    - Pulling in addition information such as domain age
    - Finding randomly named domains
    - Discover domain shadowing techniques
    - Identifying recon
    - Find DNS C2 channels
  - HTTP
    - Use large datasets to find attacks
    - Identify bot traffic hiding in the clear
    - Discover requests that users do not make
      - Find ways to filter out legitimate noise
    - Use attacker randomness against them
    - Identify automated activity vs user activity
    - Filter approved web clients vs unauthorized
    - Find HTTP C2 channels
  - HTTPS
    - Alter information for large scale analysis
    - Analyze certificate fields to identify attack vectors
    - Track certificate validity
    - Apply techniques that overlap with standard HTTP
    - Find HTTPS C2 channels
  - SMTP
    - Identify where unauthorized email is coming from
    - Find compromised mail services
    - Fuzzy matching likely phishing domains
    - Data exfiltration detection
- Apply threat intelligence to generic network logs
- Active Dashboards and Visualizations
  - Correlate network datasets
  - Build frequency analysis tables
  - Establish network baseline activity

### SEC555.3: Advanced Endpoint Analytics

- Endpoint logs

- Understanding value
- Methods of collection
  - Agents
  - Agentless
  - Scripting
- Adding additional logging
  - EMET
  - Sysmon
  - Group Policy
- Windows filtering and tuning
- Analyze critical events based on attacker patterns
  - Finding signs of exploitation
  - Find signs of internal reconnaissance
  - Finding persistence
  - Privilege escalation
  - Establishing a foothold
  - Cleaning up tracks
- Host-based firewall logs
  - Discover internal pivoting
  - Identify unauthorized listening executables
  - See scan activity
- Credential theft and reuse
  - Multiple failed logons
  - Unauthorized account use
- Monitor PowerShell
  - Configure PowerShell logging
  - Identify obfuscation
  - Identify modern attacks

#### **SEC555.4: Baseline and User Behavior Monitoring**

- Identify authorized and unauthorized assets
  - Active asset discovery
    - Scanners
    - Network Access Control
  - Passive asset discovery
    - DHCP
    - Network listeners such as p0f, bro, and prads
    - NetFlow
    - Switch CAM tables
  - Combining asset inventory into a master list
  - Adding contextual information
    - Vulnerability data
    - Authenticated device vs unauthenticated device
- Identify authorized and unauthorized software
  - Source collection

- Asset inventory systems
    - Patching management
    - Whitelisting solutions
    - Process monitoring
  - Discovering unauthorized software
- Baseline data
  - Network data (from netflow, firewalls, etc)
    - Use outbound flows to discover unauthorized use or assets
    - Compare expected inbound/outbound protocol
    - Find persistence and beaconing
    - Utilize geolocation and reverse dns lookups
    - Establish device-to-device relationships
    - Identify lateral movement
    - Configure outbound communication thresholds
  - Monitor logons based on patterns
    - Time-based
    - Concurrency of logons
      - # logons by user
      - # logons by source device
      - Multiple geo locations
  - Endpoint baseline monitoring
    - Configure enterprise wide baseline collection
    - Large scale persistence monitoring
    - Finding abnormal local user accounts
    - Discover dual-homed devices

### **SEC555.5: Tactical SIEM Detection and Post-Mortem Analysis**

- Centralize NIDS and HIDS alerts
- Analyze endpoint security logs
  - Provide alternative analysis methods
  - Configure tagging to facilitate better reporting
- Augment intrusion detection alerts
  - Extract CVE, OSVDB, etc for further context
  - Pull in rule info and other info such as geo
- Analyze vulnerability information
  - Setup vulnerability reports
  - Correlate CVE, OSVDB, and other unique IDs with IDS alerts
  - Prioritize IDS alerts based on vulnerability context
- Correlate malware sandbox logs with other systems to identify victims across enterprise
- Monitor Firewall Activity
  - Identify scanning activity on inbound denies
  - Apply auto response based on alerts
  - Find unexpected outbound traffic
  - Baseline allow/denies to identify unexpected changes

- Apply techniques to filter out noise in denied traffic
- SIEM tripwires
  - Configure systems to generate early log alerts after compromise
    - Identify file and folder scan activity
    - Identify user token stealing
    - Operationalize virtual honeypots with central logging
    - Allow phone home tracking
- Post mortem analysis
  - Re-analyze network traffic
    - Identify malicious domains and IPs
    - Look for beaconing activity
  - Identify unusual time-based activity
  - Use threat intel to reassess previous data fields such as user-agents
  - Utilize hashes in log to constantly re-evaluate for known bad files

### **SEC555.6: Capstone: Design, Detect, Defend**

Defend-the-Flag Challenge - Hands-on Experience