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Solaris Hardening –

What's new, what's old in the world of
Unix hardening...

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Expectations

- **This talk's objective is to give the audience a brief overview of basic security steps that can be performed to help mitigate certain risks. This is not a complete 'hardening document', but should guard you from common hacker attacks while giving you time to read more security related material without feeling insecure.**
 - Definitions and examples of threats
 - Security from remote attacks
 - Operating system security
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Definitions

- Remote compromise
 - Local compromise
 - Blended network compromise
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What to do about blended attacks? – Hardening part 1.

Hardening methodology

- Step 1 - What can we harden from the installation and boot up process?
 - Step 2 - Turning off defaults & remote compromise
 - Step 3 - File system hardening
 - Step 4 - Auditing and Logging
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- We won't cover everything, but I hope this gives insight in what areas you can protect and why.
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Startup & physical security controls – 2 types



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Openboot

- Protect against physically booting to a cdrom to reset passwords.
- Protect against what an attacker can do with Stop-A from a terminal!

Partition Security

- Set controls on what can be performed on certain partition spaces
(eg nosuexec for normal user accounts)
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OpenBoot Continued

□ OpenBoot Security Levels

None - no password required - this is a default

Command - all commands except for boot and go require password, - system can boot automatically but when someone performs a stop-a, they must have a password

Full - all commands except go (continue booting) require a password.



Openboot setup

- Setting passwords from file system
 - eeprom security-password
 - Setting passwords from eeprom (stop-a)
 - ok password
 - Setting security levels
 - eeprom security-mode=command
or
 - ok setenv security-mode command
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Openboot creativity

- Add some banners 😊

ok setenv oem-banner? true

ok setenv oem-banner "Stealing sucks"

In the beginning there was a partition!



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- There are a large amount of attacks you can limit.

 - Goal – upon install plan out your partitions.
 - Recommendations -
 - Setup separate partition for /var/, /tmp/, /usr/,/home
 - Setup nosuid on /tmp and /home
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Tools you can use with partition security

□ Tools

- man mnttab
 - man mount_ufs
 - man fstab
 - Man mount_file-system-type
 - Man fsck
 - man mount
 - df -k or df -h
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Useful Partition options

- nosuid** **Do not allow set-user-identifier or set-group-identifier bits to take effect. Note: this option is worthless if a public available suid or sgid wrapper like `suidperl(1)` is installed on your system. It is set automatically when the user does not have super-user privileges.**
- ro** **read only file system**
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Secure /etc/mnttab (partition configuration)

/etc/mnttab

**/dev/dsk/c0d0s7 /tmp ufs
ro,nosuid,intr,largefiles,logging,xattr,onerror=panic**

Package Management: (pkgrm)

SUNWadmr

SUNWatfsr

SUNWcg6

SWUNWdtcor

SUNWkey

SUNWnistr

SUNWnisu

SUNWpcelx

SUNWpcmci

SUNWpcmcu

SUNWpcmem

SUNWpcser

SUNWpsdpr

SUNWsolnm

SUNWxwdv

SUNWxwmod

Package Management: (pkgadd -d)

SUNWdoc

SUNWfns

SUNWlibC

SUNWman

SUNWtoo

SUNWadmcm

SUNWadmfw

SUNWscpu

SUNWast

--- Compiler ---

SUNWarc

SUNWbtool

SUNWhea

SUNWsprot

SUNWlibm



Step 1, Fix SUID / SGID

```
find / -perm -4000 -print > /var/tmp/SUID
find / -perm -2000 -print > /var/tmp/SGID
ls -l `cat /var/tmp/SUID` > /var/tmp/SUID.long
ls -l `cat /var/tmp/SGID` > /var/tmp/SGID.long
chmod -s `cat /var/tmp/SUID`
chmod g-s `cat /var/tmp/SGID`
```

Now we will put back and selectively fix the mode on some of the files.

```
chmod 4555 /usr/bin/login
chmod 6555 /usr/bin/passwd
chmod 4555 /usr/bin/sparcv7/ps
chmod 4555 /usr/bin/sparcv7/uptime
chmod 4555 /usr/bin/sparcv7/w
```

More local file work:

Remove Group Write permission from /etc
`chmod -R g-w /etc`

Verify permissions on /var/adm/utmp and change if necessary:

`Chmod 644 /var/adm/utmp`

Find any world-writable directories (only tmp should have it.)

`find / -perm -0002 -type d`

Step 2 – Turn off remotely accessible services



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- Turning off the defaults
If you don't need it, turn it off!

Solaris is horrible about this, they have all sorts of junk you need to turn off!

- Shutting down startup scripts
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Shutting down startup scripts

- Start with `/etc/rc2.d` – View each startup script that starts with `S*`. Evaluate whether or not you `_need_` these daemons running.
 - Example items to turn off –
 - `mv /etc/rc2.d/S47pppd /etc/rc2.d/OldS47ppd`
 - `mv /etc/rc2.d/S73cachefs.daemon /etc/rc2.d/OldS73cachefs.daemon`
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Recommended disabled services



/etc/rc2.d/S47pppd - pppd – used for dialup

/etc/rc2.d/S72slpd - p

/etc/rc2.d/S73cachefs.daemon

/etc/rc2.d/S80lp – printer services

/etc/rc2.d/S88sendmail - sendmail

/etc/rc2.d/S99dtlogin – gui login – why there is gui for a server, I don't know

/etc/rc2.d/S90wbem

/etc/rc2.d/S71rpc – rpc

/etc/rc3.d/S15nfs.server – file sharing

/etc/rc3.d/S77dmi

/etc/rc3.d/S76snmpdx – snmp (simple network hacking protocol)

/etc/rc3.d/S90samba – samba/cifs file sharing

/etc/rc3.d/S80miagent

/etc/rc2.d/S73nfs.client



Remote service

- ❑ Edit `/etc/inetd.conf` or simply turn off `inetd`.
 - ❑ Turn off unneeded startup scripts
 - This can be done by
 - `mv /etc/rc2.d/S73cachefs.daemon`
`/etc/rc2.d/Offcachefs.daemon`
 - ❑ Test services being off –
 - `Netstat -an|grep LISTEN`
or
`ps -ef`
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Disable incoming syslog

- /etc/default/syslogd
 - Change
 - LOG_FROM_REMOTE=syslogd
to
 - LOG_FROM_REMOTE=NO

Setting up appropriate perms on files created

Tools

■ Umask -

- Set /etc/profile set the umask to 027.
 - 027 = file perm 750 to be set for all files created by user x.
 - For root set umask to 077 (000)
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Brief Kernel security

- Generic Buffer overflow protection (not supported in all solaris)
 - /etc/system
 - set noexec_user_stack=1
 - set noexec_user_stack_log=1
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Brief Kernel security

- TCP Sequence numbers
 - /etc/default/inetinit
 - TCP_STRONG_ISS=2

 - This makes the system use a better randomized algorithm for generating TCP sequence numbers which can help prevent hijacking attacks.
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Tune the TCP Stack: *Reboot!*

```
touch /etc/rc.local
```

Add the following lines:

```
ndd -set /dev/ip ip_respond_to_echo_broadcast 0
ndd -set /dev/ip ip_forward_directed_broadcasts 0
ndd -set /dev/ip ip_repond_to_timestamp 0
ndd -set /dev/ip ip_respond_to_timestamp_broadcast 0
ndd -set /dev/ip ip_forward_src_routed 0
ndd -set /dev/ip ip_ignore_redirect 1
ndd -set /dev/ip ip_respond_to_address_mask_broadcast 0
ndd -set /dev/ip ip_ignore_redirect 1
ndd -set /dev/ip ip_respond_to_address_mask_broadcast 0
ndd -set /dev/ip ip_ignore_redirect 1
ndd -set /dev/ip ip_send_redirects 0
ndd -set /dev/ip ip_forwarding 0
ndd -set /dev/ip ip_strict_dst_multihoming 1
ndd -set /dev/ip tcp_conn_req_max_q0 4096
ndd -set /dev/ip tcp_conn_req_max_q 1024
```

Make the file executable:

```
chmod 755 /etc/rc.local
```

```
echo "sh /etc/rc.local" >>/etc/rc2.d/S69inet
```

Logging & alerting

Basic Logging

■ Kernel

- /etc/security/bsmconv (starts bsm logging)
 - Tuning is up to you.

■ System

- vi /etc/rc2.d/S71perf
 - Uncomment lines in this file
 - sar -A
 - Create cron script
- ```
#!/bin/sh
sys -c "/usr/lib/sa/sadc /var/adm/sa/sa`date +%d`"
```

BSM Reading

<http://www.deer-run.com/~hal/sysadmin/SolarisBSMAuditing.html>

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# Real world recommendations

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- ❑ - Disable openssh, and enable ssh from ssh.com. The software is commercial, but is better for administrative overhead.
  - ❑ - Disable syslogd and enable syslog-ng. You can do allot of cool remote syslogging options with syslog-ng.
  - ❑ - Think about implementing this on your Jumpstart server.  
<http://www.sun.com/software/security/jass>
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# Now that the system is "secure" ...

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- Apply latest operating system patches

- download from

- <ftp://sunsolve.sun.com/pub/patches>

or visit

[bigadmin.com](http://bigadmin.com)

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# Integrity Checking

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You are going to want to check if something has changed. So lets create an MD5 Hash of everything on our secure server:

```
#!/bin/sh
```

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#
```

```
for i in `find / -name proc -prune -o type f -print`;
```

```
do
```

```
 path_to_bin/md5sum $i >>/var/tmp/MD5SUMS
```

```
done
```

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# Automated Security Enhancement Tool: aset

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Checks ownership and permissions of files  
and contents of system files.

vi /usr/aset/asetenv and comment out  
"noprogram=false"

Create a root cron:

```
0 0 * * * /usr/aset/aset -l med -n admin@domain.com -u /etc/aset_users
```

Note: Place additional users, other than root, into the aset\_users file.

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# Sources

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- “Solaris Security” – Gregory Peter
  - “Solaris System Administration Guide” – Janice Winsor
  - CISESECURITY – Solaris Benchmark
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# Thank you!

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