

# Security with open source solutions

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Trust is good  
*control is better*



# Outline of talk

- Description and comparison of standard security controls
  - Linux, FreeBSD, OpenBSD and (Open)Solaris
- Description of advanced/extended features
- Example hardened network service - DNS server
- Fun stuff you could do: log handling, honeypot



# Important security concepts

- Hardening (Less is more)
- Simplicity beats complexity (Kiss)
- Defence in depth (Layered protection)
- There is always someone there to get you...



# Operating systems features

- Standard file protection
- Standard process execution environment protection
- Standard user protection
- Standard network protection



# Other security features

- Kerberos
  - MIT or Heimdal
- RBAC
  - TrustedBSD/FreeBSD
  - Linux: grsec, SE-Linux (RH), AppArmor (Suse)
  - Solaris (8-10)



# *Slick* security features

- FreeBSD portaudit(1)

- makes sure you're always up to date

```
rot13# portaudit -F
auditfile.tbz                               100% of 39 kB 38 kBps
New database installed.
rot13# portaudit
0 problem(s) in your installed packages found.
```

- Check all your systems from a central point

```
rot13# ssh some_remote_host pkg_info | awk '{ print $1 }' | xargs portaudit
```



# *Slick security features*

- Lock downs / Virtualizations
  - Unix generic - `chroot` (8)
  - FreeBSD - `jail` (8)
  - Open/NetBSD - `systrace` (8)
  - Linux - `uml`, `xen`
  - Solaris - `zones`



# *Slick* security features

- Solaris capabilities / privileges
  - Fine grained authorization - Better than the binary `root` vs *user* separation
  - Enables removal of `setuid`
  - Analyze applications need of capability with `ppriv`



# Ideas for security solutions

- Secured DNS server
- Honeypot
- Centralized log server



# Secured DNS server

- Based on OpenBSD + bind
- Hardened OS dist
- Have several partitions in /var

<b>A</b>	/dev/wd0a	/	ffs	rw,softdep	1	1
	/dev/wd0e	/home	ffs	rw,nodev,nosuid,softdep,noexec	1	2
	/dev/wd0d	/tmp	ffs	rw,nodev,nosuid,softdep,noexec	1	2
	/dev/wd0f	/usr	ffs	rw,nodev,softdep	1	2
	/dev/wd0k	/var	ffs	rw,nodev,nosuid,softdep,noexec	1	2
	/dev/wd0g	/var/local	ffs	ro,nodev,nosuid	1	2
<b>B</b>	/dev/wd0h	/var/local/named	ffs	<b>ro,nodev,nosuid,noexec</b>	1	2
	/dev/wd0i	/var/local/named/bin	ffs	ro,nodev,nosuid	1	2
<b>C</b>	/dev/wd0j	/var/local/named/tmp	ffs	<b>rw,nodev,nosuid,noexec</b>	1	2
	/dev/wd0l	/var/log	ffs	rw,nodev,nosuid,noexec,softdep	1	2
<b>D</b>	/dev/wd0b	/var/local/named/dev/	<b>mfs union</b>	rw,nosuid,noexec		
	/dev/wd0b	/var/local/named/tmp/	<b>mfs union</b>	rw,nosuid,noexec		



# Secured DNS server

- Run bind with chroot + low priv user

```
named -t /var/local/named/ -u named
```

- Use systrace to tighten down what bind can do

```
systrace -i -a -d /root/.systrace/ named -t  
/var/local/named/ -u named
```

- Create systrace policy by using *systrace -A named ...*
- Edit systrace policy to be more restrictive than created by wizard



# Secured DNS server

- Enable NTP for time synchronization
- Use SSH/Kerberos for remote admin
- Setup local firewall with pf
- Patch and update frequently



# Internal honeypots

- Attach honeypots to strategical places on the internal network
- Honeyd can emulate a single machine or subnets of machines
  - IP stacks
  - Network services

```
bind source ip = 192.168.0.0/16 10.0.0.5 cisco  
bind source ip = 10.0.0.0/8 10.0.0.5 juniper
```

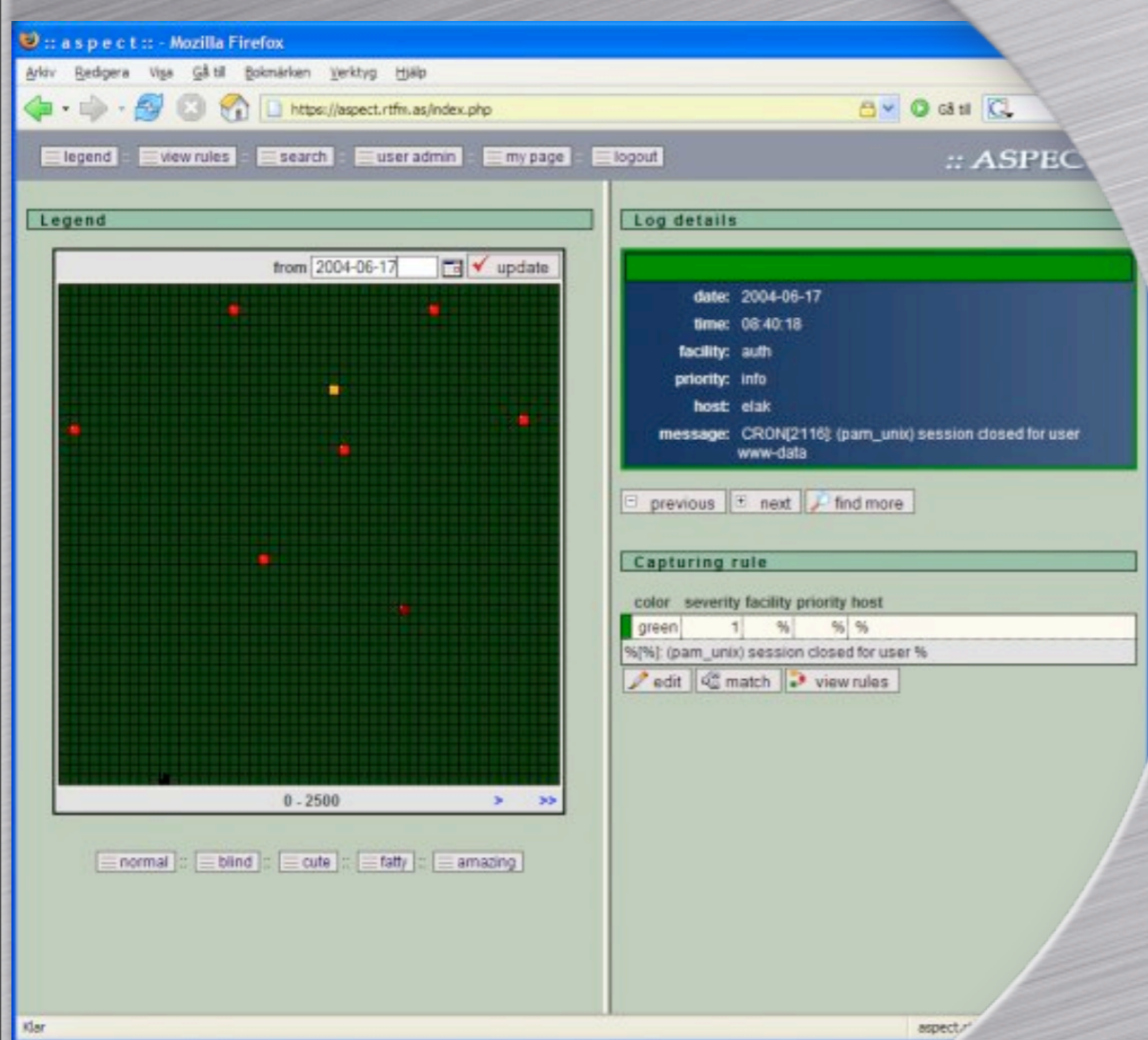


# Internal honeypots

- Can be great *early warning component* (in a larger security solution)
- Good use of old (little used) hardware which is too limited to be useful for other functions (e.g. IDS, firewall, proxies) that requires computing power



# Log handling



- Aspect tool for better *manageability* of logs
- Tool to visually inspect syslog entries
- Built on LAMP concept



# Log handling

- syslog-ng / msyslog
- TCP based logging
- signatures
- Filtering / script possibilities

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```



# Cool distros



- Backtrack
- Pentoo
- VMWares virtual appliances
- OPHCrack Live-CD



# Summary

- Many tools exist for creation of good / cool security solutions
- Create complete solutions, enhance existing solutions or just pick a single function that is nice to have/use



FreeBSD säkerhet

[www.freebsd.org/  
doc/en\\_US.ISO8859-1/  
books/handbook/  
securing-freebsd.html](http://www.freebsd.org/doc/en_US.ISO8859-1/books/handbook/securing-freebsd.html)

OpenBSD  
säkerhetsutökningar

[www.openbsd.org/](http://www.openbsd.org/)

Linux kernel  
säkerhetsutökningar

[www.grsecurity.net](http://www.grsecurity.net)  
[www.nsa.gov/selinux](http://www.nsa.gov/selinux)

Honungsfällor

[www.honeyd.org/](http://www.honeyd.org/)

Logghantering

[aspect.sourceforge.net](http://aspect.sourceforge.net)

[www.balabit.com/  
products/syslog\\_ng/](http://www.balabit.com/products/syslog_ng/)

Virtuella appliance

[www.vmware.com/  
vmtn/appliances/  
directory/](http://www.vmware.com/vmtn/appliances/directory/)

OPHCrack Live-CD

[ophcrack.sourceforge  
.net/](http://ophcrack.sourceforge.net/)