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1. SUB SEVEN SCAN, SERVER LOCATED(+ ? traffic), AND CONNECTED

Time	Delta Time	Src IP	Src Port	Dest IP	Dest Port	Size	Protocol
Seq #, Ack #, Window size							
<i>SCAN</i>							
08:30:51.406308	00.000112	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2416	SCANNED1.SUB7	IP-27374	62	IP TCP
S= 72264,L= 0,A= 0,W= 8192							
08:30:51.406588	00.000280	SCANNED1.SUB7	IP-27374	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2416	64	IP TCP
S= 0,L= 0,A= 72265,W= 0							
....							
<i>CONNECT</i>							
08:30:51.425574	00.000935	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2421	SUB7.VICTIM	IP-27374	62	IP TCP
S= 72305,L= 0,A= 0,W= 8192							
08:30:51.425814	00.000240	SUB7.VICTIM	IP-27374	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2421	64	IP TCP
S= 752487162,L= 0,A= 72306,W= 8760							
08:30:51.425967	00.000153	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2421	SUB7.VICTIM	IP-27374	58	IP TCP
S= 72306,L= 0,A= 752487163,W= 8760							
08:30:51.427497	00.001530	SUB7.VICTIM	IP-27374	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2421	134	IP TCP
S= 752487163,L= 76,A= 72306,W= 8760							
08:30:51.538783	00.111286	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2421	SUB7.VICTIM	IP-27374	58	IP TCP
S= 72306,L= 0,A= 752487239,W= 8684							
<i>RETURN TO SCAN</i>							
08:30:51.839278	00.300495	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2420	SCANNED3.SUB7	IP-27374	62	IP TCP
S= 72293,L= 0,A= 0,W= 8192							
08:30:51.839440	00.000162	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2419	SCANNED2.SUB7	IP-27374	62	IP TCP
S= 72282,L= 0,A= 0,W= 8192							
08:30:51.839506	00.000066	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2416	SCANNED1.SUB7	IP-27374	62	IP TCP
S= 72264,L= 0,A= 0,W= 8192							
08:30:51.839570	00.000064	SCANNED3.SUB7	IP-27374	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2420	64	IP TCP
S= 0,L= 0,A= 72294,W= 0							
08:30:51.839649	00.000079	SCANNED1.SUB7	IP-27374	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2416	64	IP TCP
S= 0,L= 0,A= 72265,W= 0							
08:30:51.839710	00.000061	SCANNED2.SUB7	IP-27374	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2419	64	IP TCP
S= 0,L= 0,A= 72283,W= 0							
08:30:52.340048	00.500338	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2420	SCANNED3.SUB7	IP-27374	62	IP TCP
S= 72293,L= 0,A= 0,W= 8192							
08:30:52.340184	00.000136	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2419	SCANNED2.SUB7	IP-27374	62	IP TCP
S= 72282,L= 0,A= 0,W= 8192							
08:30:52.340254	00.000070	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2416	SCANNED1.SUB7	IP-27374	62	IP TCP
S= 72264,L= 0,A= 0,W= 8192							
08:30:52.340319	00.000065	SCANNED3.SUB7	IP-27374	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2420	64	IP TCP
S= 0,L= 0,A= 72294,W= 0							
08:30:52.340385	00.000066	SCANNED1.SUB7	IP-27374	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2416	64	IP TCP
S= 0,L= 0,A= 72265,W= 0							
08:30:52.340448	00.000063	SCANNED2.SUB7	IP-27374	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2419	64	IP TCP
S= 0,L= 0,A= 72283,W= 0							
08:30:52.718509	00.378061	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2421	SUB7.VICTIM	IP-27374	58	IP TCP
S= 72306,L= 0,A= 752487239,W= 8684							
08:30:52.718654	00.000145	SUB7.VICTIM	IP-27374	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2421	64	IP TCP
S= 752487239,L= 0,A= 72307,W= 8760							
08:30:52.720091	00.001437	SUB7.VICTIM	IP-27374	SUB7.MASTER	IP-2421	64	IP TCP
S= 752487239,L= 0,A= 72307,W= 8760							

08:30:52.720285 00.000194 SUB7.MASTER IP-2421 SUB7.VICTIM IP-27374 58 IP TCP
 S= 72307,L= 0,A= 752487240,W= 8684
 ????????

... 200 ARP REQUESTS FROM THE "MASTER" FOLLOWED BY 1 ARP RESPONSE FROM HERE.IAM, THEN...

08:30:54.821725 02.101440 SUB7.MASTER IP-2610 HERE.IAM IP-27374 62 IP TCP
 S= 73541,L= 0,A= 0,W= 8192

CONNECT

08:31:07.738280 12.916555 SUB7.MASTER IP-2665 SUB7.VICTIM IP-27374 62 IP TCP
 S= 73863,L= 0,A= 0,W= 8192

08:31:07.738463 00.000183 SUB7.VICTIM IP-27374 SUB7.MASTER IP-2665 64 IP TCP
 S= 752503477,L= 0,A= 73864,W= 8760

08:31:07.738624 00.000161 SUB7.MASTER IP-2665 SUB7.VICTIM IP-27374 58 IP TCP
 S= 73864,L= 0,A= 752503478,W= 8760

08:31:07.740106 00.001482 SUB7.VICTIM IP-27374 SUB7.MASTER IP-2665 134 IP TCP
 S= 752503478,L= 76,A= 73864,W= 8760

08:31:07.862265 00.122159 SUB7.MASTER IP-2665 SUB7.VICTIM IP-27374 58 IP TCP
 S= 73864,L= 0,A= 752503554,W= 8684

1. Source of trace:
 - a. This trace was collected on a lab network.
2. Detect was generated by:
 - a. It was collected with Etherpeek and saved into .txt format.
3. Probability the source address was spoofed:
 - a. In this case I know that the address is not spoofed, but Sub 7 does have a GUI means of using a "victims" (Sub7 server running) computer to scan for more victims.
4. Description of attack:
 - a. In this lab case I simply downloaded Sub7, created/edited the server with default setting (most notably the port #), saved the server to a disk, physically executed the server on the victim's machine and then just scanned for it from the client.
5. Attack mechanism
 - a. The Sub7 client scans the range of addresses (IP or ICQ #'s) that are set by the user and with the results of the scan, allows the user to connect to any systems that responded to the scan
 - b. The significance of this Trojan horse is that there is very little that you cannot do once you are connected, and that it is currently the most popular Trojan that I am scanned for. The author has taken great steps to make this Trojan very easy to use and very functional (lethal) as well as taking steps to change the signature of the server in an effort to stay ahead of the anti-virus companies.
6. Correlations:
 - a. This is a very common Trojan horse scan. Around the new year (2000) Sub7 became the most popular Trojan to be scanned for. Remote scanning ability is a large part of that popularity.
7. Evidence of active targeting:

- a. The first section of the trace (deleted all after the first host scanned) are just the client (Master) scanning for active servers (victims) on the default port 27374, and would not indicate any active targeting.
 - b. The second section is what you never what to see; the scanning client (Master), finding an active server (Victim)
 - c. The third section is the master returning to scan the addresses that were previously scanned (and that I cut out for space from the 1st section).
 - d. The fourth section has a time gap of 2 seconds where almost 200 ARP requests went out from the Master, with one ARP response from HERE.I.A.M. Followed immediately with the scan of HERE.I.A.M. I believe that HERE.I.A.M is a router.
 - e. Finally, the last section is the client (Master) connecting to the server (Victim); definitely don't want to ever see this.
 - f. Honestly, there is more traffic here than is necessary for the job. I wouldn't run this test on your home system.
8. Severity: = (Criticality + lethality) - (System + Net Countermeasures)
- a. Criticality – 3; No specific machines were targeted
 - b. Lethality – 5; Extremely lethal to a Win 95/98 machine, if exploited
 - c. System – 3; Server executed on Win98 box; Server will not work on patched NT; client will
 - d. Countermeasures – 1; Lab had no defenses for this (air-gapped for testing/security)
 - e. Severity = 8 – 4 = 4
9. Defensive recommendations:
- a. Educating users on security (physical and executing attachments) is the first line of defense against Trojans. Screening for the default port 27374 at the firewall will keep the real Kiddies out (port is easily changed though). Monitor traffic leaving your system in response to a scan.
10. Multiple choice test question:
- a. Is there anything to be concerned about the second section of trace above?
 - i. No, this is simply a standard TCP connection
 - ii. Not really, this is a simple scan
 - iii. Yes, assume that Victim is completely compromised and respond accordingly.
 - iv. Be careful, this is a scan of a popular Trojan, but no emergency yet.

Ans: iii

2. SOCKS SCAN

Date	Time	Delta Time	Src IP	Src Port	
Dest IP	Dest Port	Size	Protocol	Seq #, Ack #, Window size	
06/07/2000	18:41:50.143000		IP-208.25.49.212	IP-1299	IP-
Sensor1.DSL	IP-1080 66	IP TCP	S=2605484196,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8760
06/07/2000	18:41:53.728000	03.585000	IP-208.25.49.212	IP-1299	IP-
Sensor1.DSL	IP-1080 66	IP TCP	S=2605484196,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8760
06/07/2000	18:41:53.754000	00.026000	IP-208.25.49.212	IP-1299	IP-

Sensor1.DSL	IP-1080	66	IP TCP	S=2605484196,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8760
06/07/2000	18:41:53.754000		00.000000	IP-208.25.49.212	IP-1299	IP-
Sensor1.DSL	IP-1080	66	IP TCP	S=2605484196,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8760
06/07/2000	18:44:30.725000			IP-208.25.49.212	IP-1408	IP-
Sensor2.DSL	IP-1080	66	IP TCP	S=2621329189,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8760

1. Source of trace:
 - a. This was collected by two DSL connection, within the same providers address space.
2. Detect was generated by:
 - a. BlackIce Defender and then analyzed with Etherpeek. Output is .txt format from Etherpeek.
3. Probability the source address was spoofed:
 - a. Unlikely, though the SOCKS scan is generally looking for sites that they can bounce through, to hide their identity.
4. Description of attack:
 - a. This is a scan for port 1080, the SOCKS port.
5. Attack mechanism:
 - a. The scan is looking to establish a three-way-handshake, or at least get a Syn-Ack back so that it knows that port 1080 is open.
 - b. WinGate is the most common application to have this vulnerability. It allows multiple systems to access the Internet from one IP address, but is not picky about allowing outside addresses in.
 - c. The significance of this scan is that the SOCKS port and the application running on it are common bounce sites, and must be configured carefully.
6. Correlations:
 - a. This scan was seen from two different sensors, within a few minutes of each other. It is likely that this is a large “search” for systems to use as a launching point for other attacks.
 - b. IRC Chat Servers do scan for the SOCKS port open so that they can kick those people off of their service.
7. Evidence of active targeting:
 - a. This looks like a general scan of the network.
 - i. Though I was trace routed from this Sprint network space the following day; that was probably a wrong number; but still...
8. Severity: = (Criticality + lethality) - (System + Net Countermeasures)
 - a. Criticality – 3; No specific machines were targeted
 - b. Lethality – 3; Could be used as a launching site for hacking/cracking
 - c. System – 4; Win98 box with updated patches
 - d. Countermeasures – 5; Firewall/IDS and port 1080 is not used.
 - e. Severity = 6 – 9 = -3

9. Defensive recommendations:

- a. None now.

10. Multiple choice test question:

- a. What is the vulnerability if this system responds to this scan?
 - i. Possible Trojan horse.
 - ii. There is no known vulnerability associated with this scan
 - iii. System could be used as a bounce site for attackers
 - iv. This is a simple host scan.

Ans: iii

3. TCP OS FINGERPRINT SCAN

Date	Time	Src IP	Src Port	Dest IP	Dest Port
Size	Protocol	Seq #, Ack #, Window size			
06/07/2000	08:39:22.524000	IP-24.1.104.76	IP-53	SENSOR3.DSL	IP-53
64	TCP DNS	S=1249258219,L= 0,A=2125068537,W= 1028			
06/07/2000	08:43:13.891000	IP-24.1.104.76	IP-53	SENSOR2.DSL	IP-53
64	TCP DNS	S= 893990728,L= 0,A= 28437962,W= 1028			

1. Source of trace:

- a. This was collected on two DSL connections, within the same providers address space.

2. Detect was generated by:

- b. BlackIce Defender and then analyzed with Etherpeek. Output is .txt format from Etherpeek.

3. Probability the source address was spoofed:

- a. Unlikely that the address is spoofed

4. Description of attack:

- a. This scan is solely designed to get the host system to respond to an unusual packet. This response is then compared with a known database of responses to determine the OS and version that the host is running.
- b. Though I cannot show it in these traces, the Fin flag is set in both of these packets.
- c. This scan is looking for a DNS (port 53).

5. Attack mechanism:

- a. RFC 793 states that when an open port is hit with a Fin packet, there should be no response. There are OS/versions that will send back a Reset (i.e. MS win); this is what the sender of this scan is looking for.
- b. The significance of this is that if the attacker knows what OS/version the target system is, he can be much smarter on what tools/techniques he uses to exploit it.
- c. The fact that the target is a DNS (system listening on port 53) makes this a significant scan.

6. Correlations:
 - a. This is not a unique scan. Most systems that do OS fingerprinting will send Fin packets as one of the means of determining the OS.
 - b. Though Nmap is far from the only OS fingerprinting scanner on the market (this scan is definitely not Nmap; too few packets) it has become the “Swiss Army Knife” of the scanning world due to its speed, stealth, and strong OS fingerprinting capabilities.
7. Evidence of active targeting:
 - a. Again, this is likely a large-scale scan due to the fact that two different sensors picked it up within a few minutes of each other.
8. Severity: = (Criticality + lethality) - (System + Net Countermeasures)
 - a. Criticality – 5; DNS targeted
 - b. Lethality – 1; No DNS here
 - c. System – 4; Win98 box with updated patches
 - d. Countermeasures – 5; Firewall/IDS and port 1080 is not used.
 - e. Severity = 6 – 9 = -3
9. Defensive recommendations:
 - a. None at this time because I do not have a DNS running at this site. If there was a DNS running at this site, I would like to see how it would respond to a Fin scan.
10. Multiple choice test question:
 - a. Is there any reason to be concerned about the above trace (Fin flags are set in both traces)?
 - i. No, just the average scans
 - ii. Yes, scan for OS fingerprinting of DNSs
 - iii. Yes, buffer overflow attempt
 - iv. No, mis-configured router trace

Ans: ii

4. UDP TROJAN HORSE SCAN (HACK’A’TACK)

Date Size	Time Protocol	Srce IP	Srce Port	Dest IP	Dest Port
05/12/2000 64	22:21:22.756000 IP UDP	IP-200.53.160.182	IP-31790	CONNECTED.DSL	IP-31789

1. Source of trace:
 - a. This was collected on a DSL connection.
2. Detect was generated by:
 - a. BlackIce Defender and then analyzed with Etherpeek. Output is .txt format from Etherpeek.
3. Probability the source address was spoofed:

- a. Unlikely that the address is spoofed, but the scanner may be bouncing through another system in order to stay anonymous.
4. Description of attack:
 - a. Based on the UDP port number (Default for Hack'A'Tack Trojan), this is most likely the Hack'A'Tack client scanning for active Hack'A'Tack servers.
 - b. Hack'A'Tack uses the following default scanning protocols/ports: TCP ports 31785, 31787 and UDP ports 31789, 31791
5. Attack mechanism:
 - a. First the Attacker needs to get the Trojan server running on a target machine or attempt to steal someone else's victim.
 - b. Then the Scanner looks to find the executed servers by scanning for the specific protocol/port that the server was set to (often times the default).
 - c. UDP when scanned, if the port is open or blocked at the firewall, there will be no response from the port. If the port is closed the Scanner should get, "ICMP Destination Port Unreachable".
 - d. The redundant response of open and blocked UDP ports is often why TCP scanning is done in conjunction with UDP scanning, though not apparently in this case. (TCP scans are often blocked at the firewall.).
 - e. If the port is determined to be open, then the client will attempt to connect to it and if it is successful, the user of the client "owns" that machine.
 - f. The significance of this scan is the same for all Trojan horses; if they are exploited on your machine, they "own" your machine!
6. Correlations:
 - a. This is not a unique scan. Though Hack'A'Tack is not the most popular Trojan on the market, it is easy to find on the web.
7. Evidence of active targeting:
 - a. There is no evidence of active targeting and it is likely that this was a random scan.
8. Severity: = (Criticality + lethality) – (System + Net Countermeasures)
 - a. Criticality – 3; Random scan
 - b. Lethality – 5; Extremely lethal to a Win 95/98 machine, if exploited
 - c. System – 4; Server executed on Win98 box; Server will not work on a NT machine.
 - d. Countermeasures – 5; Firewall/IDS and current anti-virus.
 - e. Severity = 8 – 9 = -1
9. Defensive recommendations:
 - a. None at this time, other than be careful about what software/executables are loaded on machine.
10. Multiple choice test question:
 - a. What type of response will the source IP expect from this trace if the destination UDP port is open?
 - i. "ICMP Destination Port Unreachable"
 - ii. TCP Syn/Ack
 - iii. No response at all

iv. TCP Reset

Ans: iii

5. SHIELDSUP.GRC.COM SCAN

Date	Time	Delta Time	Srce IP	Srce Port	Dest IP
Dest Port	Size	Protocol	Seq #, Ack #, Window size		
06/03/2000	21:26:51.110000		IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1148	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-139	64	TCP NetBIOS	S=1147831401,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:26:54.015000	02.905000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1148	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-139	64	TCP NetBIOS	S=1147831401,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:27:00.615000	06.600000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1148	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-139	64	TCP NetBIOS	S=1147831401,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:27:12.720000	12.105000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1148	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-139	64	TCP NetBIOS	S=1147831401,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:31:37.300000	04:24.580000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1687	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-21	64	TCP FTPCtI	S=1148117415,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:31:47.435000	10.135000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1687	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-21	64	TCP FTPCtI	S=1148117415,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:31:47.435000	00.000000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1687	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-21	64	TCP FTPCtI	S=1148117415,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:31:58.079000	10.644000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1687	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-21	64	TCP FTPCtI	S=1148117415,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:32:23.739000	25.660000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1796	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-23	64	TCP TELNET	S=1148162487,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:32:25.619000	01.880000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1796	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-23	64	TCP TELNET	S=1148162487,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:32:31.140000	05.521000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1796	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-23	64	TCP TELNET	S=1148162487,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:32:43.235000	12.095000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1796	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-23	64	TCP TELNET	S=1148162487,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:33:07.255000	24.020000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1897	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-25	64	TCP SMTP	S=1148207542,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:33:10.525000	03.270000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1897	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-25	64	TCP SMTP	S=1148207542,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:33:17.230000	06.705000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1897	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-25	64	TCP SMTP	S=1148207542,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:33:28.310000	11.080000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1897	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-25	64	TCP SMTP	S=1148207542,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:33:52.261000	23.951000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1949	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-79	64	TCP Finger	S=1148252687,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:34:00.885000	08.624000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1949	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-79	64	TCP Finger	S=1148252687,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:34:01.260000	00.375000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1949	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-79	64	TCP Finger	S=1148252687,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:34:13.845000	12.585000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-1949	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-79	64	TCP Finger	S=1148252687,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192

06/03/2000	21:36:07.495000	01:53.650000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-2170	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-113	64	IP TCP	S=1148387851,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:36:09.095000	01.600000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-2171	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-139	64	TCP NetBIOS	S=1148389419,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:36:12.055000	02.960000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-2171	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-139	64	TCP NetBIOS	S=1148389419,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:36:17.985000	05.930000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-2171	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-139	64	TCP NetBIOS	S=1148389419,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:36:30.410000	12.425000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-2171	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-139	64	TCP NetBIOS	S=1148389419,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:37:40.365000	01:09.955000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-2345	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-443	64	TCP HTTPS	S=1148479419,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:37:42.435000	02.070000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-2345	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-443	64	TCP HTTPS	S=1148479419,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:37:48.165000	05.730000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-2345	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-443	64	TCP HTTPS	S=1148479419,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
06/03/2000	21:38:00.130000	11.965000	IP-207.71.92.221	IP-2345	SENSOR1.DSL
IP-443	64	TCP HTTPS	S=1148479419,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192

1. Source of trace:
 - b. This was collected on my home DSL connection.
2. Detect was generated by:
 - c. BlackIce Defender and then analyzed with Etherpeek. Output is .txt format from Etherpeek.
3. Probability the source address was spoofed:
 - a. Unlikely. I went to this web site and requested that it scan my system and test for vulnerabilities. (Not a recommended tactic, but I wanted to see what the trace would look like. I bet they collect quite a database of information.)
4. Description of attack:
 - a. This is a simple TCP scan of commonly used ports.
5. Attack mechanism:
 - a. This site will TCP port scan the requesting system and give the requesting system feedback on what the scan could "see".
 - b. The feedback it gives is based on the following:
 - i. "Stealthy" – if the TCP packet is dropped, and no reply is sent to GRC. They cannot tell if the host system exists.
 - ii. "Closed" – if TCP Reset is sent back they know that the process is not available, but that the host exists.
 - iii. "Open" – if a TCP Syn/Ack is sent back, they know the process and the host are present.
 - c. There is no difference between the two scans of the NetBIOS ports, other than the Src Port and the Seq #. It must be GRC's assumption that a majority of the systems that will use this service would be windows machines and therefore pay particular attention to port 139.

- d. I assume that the scan is slow to keep from Syn Flooding the requesting system.
6. Correlations:
 - a. You should not see this very obvious signature unless you have requested it from the named web site.
7. Evidence of active targeting:
 - a. Yes, I requested that it scan my address.
8. Severity: = (Criticality + lethality) – (System + Net Countermeasures)
 - a. Criticality – 4; Targeted scan (though by request)
 - f. Lethality – 3; Could have a list of processes available on a machine
 - g. System – 4; Win98 box with patches
 - h. Countermeasures – 5; Firewall and IDS. All ports were “stealthy”, except 139 was “closed”
 - i. Severity = 7 – 9 = -2
9. Defensive recommendations:
 - a. None. Don’t request this service unless you are willing to have the outcome possibly used against you.
10. Multiple choice test question:
 - a. Why shouldn’t you have an external system, that you have no control over, scan your system?
 - i. The scanning system may be collecting a vulnerability database
 - ii. The scanning system may tell you that your system is secure, so that they can exploit the vulnerabilities that they found
 - iii. A sniffer placed just outside the scanning site, could collect all of the data that the scanning site collects.
 - iv. All of the above

Ans: iv

6. LINUXCONF PORT PROBE

Date	Time	Delta Time	Src IP	Src Port	
Dest IP	Dest Port	Size	Protocol	Seq #, Ack #, Window size	
05/17/2000	05:08:56.064000		IP-202.88.131.3	IP-2039	IP-
SENSOR1.DSL	IP-98	78	IP TCP	S=2902566021,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120
05/17/2000	05:08:56.953000	00.889000	IP-202.88.131.3	IP-2039	IP-
SENSOR1.DSL	IP-98	78	IP TCP	S=2902566021,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120

1. Source of trace:
 - a. This trace was collected on a DSL connection to the Internet.
2. Detect was generated by:

- a. BlackIce Defender and then analyzed with Etherpeek. Output is .txt format from Etherpeek
3. Probability the source address was spoofed:
 - a. It is unlikely that this is a spoofed address.
4. Description of attack:
 - a. This is a scan for an open port 98. There is a rumored vulnerability in Linux 6.0-6.1 in the LinuxConf to a buffer overflow through this port. There has been a significant rise in the scanning for this port in the past 6 months to a year.
 - b. Notice the very large window size.
5. Attack mechanism
 - a. LinuxConf is a configuration utility (A user interface to do configuration tasks) and an activator. It is rumored that with the appropriate script (easy to find on web), that you can cause LinuxConf to crash with a buffer overflow. Though I have not seen this for myself, there has been enough traffic scanning for this port to lead me to believe that something constructive (that is, destructive) can be done with it.
6. Correlations:
 - a. This has become a common port to scan for in the past year or so (less).
7. Evidence of active targeting:
 - a. Unlikely. I am not running Linux nor have port 98 open, on the destination machine.
8. Severity: = (Criticality + lethality) - (System + Net Countermeasures)
 - a. Criticality – 2; No specific machines were targeted
 - b. Lethality – 1; Will not work against Win machines
 - c. System – 4; Win 98 with patches
 - d. Countermeasures – 5; Firewall and IDS. Port 98 is closed.
 - e. Severity = 3 – 9 = -6
9. Defensive recommendations:
 - a. None necessary.
10. Multiple choice test question:
 - a. The LinuxConf vulnerability takes advantage of:
 - i. A buffer overflow vulnerability on Linux machines
 - ii. A Trojan horse for Linux machines
 - iii. A configuration error in LILO
 - iv. None of the above

Ans: i

7. BACK ORIFICE PING

Date	Time	Delta Time	Srce IP	Srce Port	Dest IP
	Dest Port	Size	Protocol		

04/28/2000	23:11:13.309000		IP-209.138.20.128	IP-31338	SENSOR3.DSL
	IP-31337	65	IP UDP		
04/28/2000	23:11:17.992000	04.683000	IP-209.138.20.128	IP-31338	SENSOR3.DSL
	IP-31337	65	IP UDP		
05/02/2000	02:30:13.563000		IP-209.138.23.151	IP-31338	SENSOR3.DSL
	IP-31337	65	IP UDP		
05/02/2000	02:30:13.975000	00.412000	IP-209.138.23.151	IP-31338	SENSOR3.DSL
	IP-31337	65	IP UDP		

1. Source of trace:
 - a. This trace was collected on a DSL connection.
2. Detect was generated by:
 - a. BlackIce Defender and then analyzed with Etherpeek. Output is .txt format from Etherpeek.
3. Probability the source address was spoofed:
 - a. Unlikely that the address is spoofed, but the scanner may be bouncing through another system in order to stay anonymous.
4. Description of attack:
 - a. Based on the UDP port number (31337[ELITE] is the default for the BO Trojan), this is most likely the Back Orifice client scanning for active BO servers.
5. Attack mechanism:
 - a. First the Attacker needs to get the Trojan server running on a target machine or attempt to steal someone else's victim.
 - b. Then the Scanner (in the client) looks to find the executed servers by scanning for the specific protocol/port that the server was set to (often times the default, but can be set by the user).
 - c. With UDP, if the port is open or blocked at the firewall, there will be no response from the port. If the port is closed the Scanner should get, "ICMP Destination Port Unreachable".
 - d. If the port is determined to be open, then the client will attempt to connect to it and if it is successful, the user of the client "owns" that machine.
6. Correlations:
 - a. This is not a unique scan. In this case, the same machine (evident from the MAC address (not in this trace)), with a different IP (DHCP) has repeated this scan twice, in a couple days.
 - b. BO used to be the most popular Trojan but it seems to have given the title over to Sub7.
 - c. Originally reported to Cert in Oct 98 (http://www.cert.org/vul_notes/VN-98.07.backorifice.html)
7. Evidence of active targeting:
 - a. There is no evidence of active targeting and it is likely that this was a random scan.
8. Severity: = (Criticality + lethality) – (System + Net Countermeasures)

- a. Criticality – 3; Random scan
 - j. Lethality – 5; Extremely lethal
 - k. System – 4; Server executed on Win98 box; Server will not work on a NT machine.
 - l. Countermeasures – 5; Firewall/IDS and current anti-virus.
 - m. Severity = 8 – 9 = -1
9. Defensive recommendations:
- a. None at this time, other than be careful about what software/executables are loaded on machine and keep anti-virus updated.
10. Multiple choice test question:
- a. If your machine is infected with the BO server, what can the controlling client do?
 - i. Edit your registry
 - ii. Shut down processes and/or the system (hard or soft)
 - iii. Log keystrokes (including passwords)
 - iv. All of the above

Ans: iv

8. SYN FLOOD

Date	Time	Delta Time	Src IP	Src Port	Dest IP
Dest Port	Flag	Size	Seq #, Ack #, Window size		
(R=Runt: <64 bytes long)					
...					
04/10/2000	21:40:31.128000	00.083000	IP-63.29.248.61	IP-1951	IP-Sensor2.DSL
IP-133	R	62	S= 1066875,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
04/10/2000	21:40:31.155000	00.027000	IP-63.29.248.61	IP-1952	IP-Sensor2.DSL
IP-134	R	62	S= 1066883,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
04/10/2000	21:40:31.183000	00.028000	IP-63.29.248.61	IP-1953	IP-Sensor2.DSL
IP-135	R	62	S= 1066885,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
04/10/2000	21:40:31.238000	00.055000	IP-63.29.248.61	IP-1954	IP-Sensor2.DSL
IP-136	R	62	S= 1066893,L=	0,A=	0,W= 8192
04/10/2000	21:40:31.650000	00.412000	IP-63.29.248.61	IP-1955	IP-Sensor2.DSL
IP-137	R	62	TCP NB NamSvc	S= 1066902,L=	0,A= 0,W= 8192
04/10/2000	21:40:31.650000	00.000000	IP-63.29.248.61	IP-1956	IP-Sensor2.DSL
IP-138	R	62	TCP NetBIOS	S= 1066915,L=	0,A= 0,W= 8192
04/10/2000	21:40:31.732000	00.082000	IP-63.29.248.61	IP-1957	IP-Sensor2.DSL
IP-139	R	62	TCP NetBIOS	S= 1066928,L=	0,A= 0,W= 8192
04/10/2000	21:40:31.759000	00.027000	IP-63.29.248.61	IP-1958	IP-Sensor2.DSL
IP-1080	R	62	IP TCP	S= 1066945,L=	0,A= 0,W= 8192
04/10/2000	21:40:31.842000	00.083000	IP-63.29.248.61	IP-1959	IP-Sensor2.DSL
IP-3128	R	62	IP TCP	S= 1066962,L=	0,A= 0,W= 8192
04/10/2000	21:40:31.952000	00.110000	IP-63.29.248.61	IP-1960	IP-Sensor2.DSL
IP-6667	R	62	IP TCP	S= 1066967,L=	0,A= 0,W= 8192
...					

Averaged ~ 10 packets per second for 5 minutes

Sometimes 80 per second, then a 15 second delay, then again.

1. Source of trace:
 - a. This was collected on a DSL connection.
2. Detect was generated by:
 - a. BlackIce Defender and then analyzed with Etherpeek. Output is .txt format from Etherpeek.
3. Probability the source address was spoofed:
 - a. Highly likely. For this DoS to work, the source IP must be a spoofed address that no one will respond (Syn/Ack) to.
4. Description of attack:
 - a. The attacker spoofs a non-responding IP address and sends a flood of Syn packets at the victim. For each Syn that is received by the victim, an allotment of memory is dedicated until the 3-way handshake is completed. The handshake is never completed and eventually all of the resources (tcp.maxsyn) that the victim has are used up, and it will not respond to any legitimate traffic, until the existing memory times-out.
5. Attack mechanism:
 - a. This attack takes advantage of the connection-oriented communication of TCP and limited memory space to keep track of the state of connections. The significance of this attack is that legitimate traffic will be denied while the memory queue is full with connections waiting to be completed (that never will be) or to time-out.
6. Correlations:
 - a. This is not that common of a detect today due to many current OS's can deny this DoS from being successful.
7. Evidence of active targeting:
 - a. Yes, the victim needs to be actively targeted.
8. Severity: = (Criticality + lethality) – (System + Net Countermeasures)
 - a. Criticality – 4; Targeted scan
 - n. Lethality – 4; Could have complete DoS
 - o. System – 4; Win98 box with patches
 - p. Countermeasures – 4; Firewall and IDS. All ports were “stealthy”, except 139 was “closed”
 - q. Severity = 8 – 8 = 0
9. Defensive recommendations:
 - a. Have updated and patched OS
 - b. Increase value of tcp.maxsyn
 - c. Decrease memory time-out value
 - d. Run system that will auto kill syn flood connections

10. Multiple choice test question:

- a. Why is a syn flood DoS almost always from a spoofed address?
 - i. So that the attackers identity is kept secret
 - ii. So that there is no one to respond to the Syn/Acks coming from the victim
 - iii. Because UDP is connectionless-oriented
 - iv. So there is no echo response

Ans: ii

9. RPC PORT PROBE

Date	Time	Delta	Time	Src IP	Src Port	
Dest IP	Dest Port	Size	Protocol	Seq #, Ack #, Window size		
06/08/2000	11:25:59.817000			IP-24.17.96.120	IP-1992	IP-
SENSOR1.DSL	IP-111	78	TCP RPC	S=3072953087,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120	
06/08/2000	11:26:01.290000	01.473000		IP-24.17.96.120	IP-1992	IP-
SENSOR1.DSL	IP-111	78	TCP RPC	S=3072953087,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120	
06/08/2000	11:30:46.560000			IP-24.17.96.120	IP-4129	IP-
SENSOR2.DSL	IP-111	78	TCP RPC	S=3138043308,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120	
06/08/2000	11:30:46.577000	00.017000		IP-24.17.96.120	IP-4129	IP-
SENSOR2.DSL	IP-111	78	TCP RPC	S=3138043308,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120	

1. Source of trace:
 - a. This was collected on two DSL connections, within the same providers address space.
2. Detect was generated by:
 - a. BlackIce Defender and then analyzed with Etherpeek. Output is .txt format from Etherpeek.
3. Probability the source address was spoofed:
 - a. Unlikely that the address is spoofed
4. Description of attack:
 - a. The scanning system is likely scanning thousands of systems looking for Unix systems that are running the Remote Procedure Call (RPC) on port 111. RPC is developed by Sun and is a very popular way of building network applications.
5. Attack mechanism:
 - a. Once identifying systems that are running RPC, that attacker would likely next attempt an RPC portmapper dump, which would list all the RPC programs on that machine and tell the intruder if there are any he/she can exploit.

- b. The significance of this is that if this port is not blocked behind a firewall or other means, and a RPC portmapper dump is allowed by outsiders, the “keys to the kingdom” are in the attackers hands, for all practical purposes.
6. Correlations:
 - a. Since September 1999, there has been a dramatic rise in the number of scans for this port. This is due to the [rpc.cmsd overflow](#) exploit (Cert: CA-99-08-cmsd). Vulnerability has been discovered in this RPC service, so hackers are scouring the Internet looking for this service so they can exploit it to break into the system.
 7. Evidence of active targeting:
 - a. This is likely a large-scale scan due to the fact that two different sensors picked it up within a few minutes of each other.
 8. Severity: = (Criticality + lethality) - (System + Net Countermeasures)
 - a. Criticality – 3; Unix systems
 - b. Lethality – 1; Not Unix
 - c. System – 4; Win98 box with updated patches
 - d. Countermeasures – 5; Firewall/IDS and port 111 is not used (not Unix)
 - e. Severity = 4 – 9 = -5
 9. Defensive recommendations:
 - a. None; not running Unix
 10. Multiple choice test question:
 - a. If you are responsible for a NT/2000 network, does the above trace concern you?
 - i. Yes, I need to be concerned about all traces
 - ii. Yes, it is obviously targeting my network
 - iii. No, my network is not vulnerable to the exploit this trace is looking for
 - iv. No, my automated response system takes care of all my concerns

Ans: iii

10. PROXY PORT PROBE (followed immediately by SOCKs and TCP port probe)

Date	Time	Delta Time	Src IP	Src Port	Dest IP
Dest Port	Protocol	Seq #, Ack #, Window size			
04/27/2000	20:53:13.975000		IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30007	IP-USA.DSL
IP-8080	TCP HTTP Proxy	S=1580732156,L= 0,A= 0,W= 512			
04/27/2000	20:53:16.982000	03.007000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30007	IP-USA.DSL
IP-8080	TCP HTTP Proxy	S=1580732156,L= 0,A= 0,W=32120			
04/27/2000	20:53:18.458000	01.476000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30007	IP-USA.DSL
IP-8080	TCP HTTP Proxy	S=1580732156,L= 0,A= 0,W= 512			
04/27/2000	20:53:18.458000	00.000000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30007	IP-USA.DSL
IP-8080	TCP HTTP Proxy	S=1580732156,L= 0,A= 0,W=32120			
04/27/2000	20:53:23.218000	04.760000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30007	IP-USA.DSL
IP-8080	TCP HTTP Proxy	S=1580732156,L= 0,A= 0,W=32120			

04/27/2000	20:53:23.224000	00.006000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30007	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-8080	TCP HTTP Proxy	S=1580732156,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120	
04/27/2000	20:53:35.358000	12.134000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30009	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-3128	IP TCP	S=1146331294,L= 0,A=	0,W= 512	
04/27/2000	20:53:35.358000	00.000000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30009	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-3128	IP TCP	S=1146331294,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120	
04/27/2000	20:53:35.364000	00.006000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30009	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-3128	IP TCP	S=1146331294,L= 0,A=	0,W= 512	
04/27/2000	20:53:35.364000	00.000000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30009	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-3128	IP TCP	S=1146331294,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120	
04/27/2000	20:53:40.961000	05.597000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30009	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-3128	IP TCP	S=1146331294,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120	
04/27/2000	20:53:47.004000	06.043000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30009	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-3128	IP TCP	S=1146331294,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120	
04/27/2000	20:53:49.970000	02.966000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30193	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-1080	IP TCP	S=2956186160,L= 0,A=	0,W= 512	
04/27/2000	20:53:50.069000	00.099000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30193	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-1080	IP TCPS=2956186160,L= 0,A=	0,W= 512		
04/27/2000	20:53:52.964000	02.895000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30193	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-1080	IP TCP	S=2956186160,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120	
04/27/2000	20:53:54.874000	01.910000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30193	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-1080	IP TCP	S=2956186160,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120	
04/27/2000	20:53:58.965000	04.091000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30193	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-1080	IP TCP	S=2956186160,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120	
04/27/2000	20:54:06.653000	07.688000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30193	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-1080	IP TCPS=2956186160,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120		
04/27/2000	20:54:22.080000	15.427000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30549	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-81	IP TCP	S=2821575098,L= 0,A=	0,W= 512	
04/27/2000	20:54:22.087000	00.007000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30549	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-81	IP TCP	S=2821575098,L= 0,A=	0,W= 512	
04/27/2000	20:54:23.960000	01.873000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30549	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-81	IP TCP	S=2821575098,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120	
04/27/2000	20:54:23.965000	00.005000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30549	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-81	IP TCPS=2821575098,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120		
04/27/2000	20:54:29.962000	05.997000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30549	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-81	IP TCP	S=2821575098,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120	
04/27/2000	20:54:49.203000	19.241000	IP-193.232.248.11	IP-30549	IP-USA.DSL
	IP-81	IP TCP	S=2821575098,L= 0,A=	0,W=32120	

This analysis will only cover the 1st section of this trace, the Proxy port probe, but I thought this entire trace was interesting. It was of particular interest because it occurred on three different occasions, within a two-day period, from two different international locations.

1. Source of trace:
 - a. This was collected on a DSL connection.
2. Detect was generated by:

- a. BlackIce Defender and then analyzed with Etherpeek. Output is .txt format from Etherpeek.
3. Probability the source address was spoofed:
 - a. Likely. If not spoofed, at least used a proxy to remain anonymous. Particularly because proxies are the target as well.
4. Description of attack:
 - a. This scan (the 1st section) is simply a TCP scan to see if anything is listening on port 8080. This is a common port to have a proxy server on.
5. Attack mechanism:
 - a. The reason for this attack would be to allow the scanner to find a proxy to use to make his exploits anonymous.
 - b. The significance of this attack is that if the scanner detects a proxy, and can exploit it, he can remove his “source IP” address from all further exploits, once he goes through the proxy.
 - i. The SOCKs scan could be used in a similar manner.
 - c. This could also be a US citizen who is using a “Minsk” (whois lookup) proxy, in order to find a more local proxy, for performance or secrecy reasons.
6. Correlations:
 - a. I have not seen this trace before, except that it occurred to me 3 times, in 2 days, by 2 different international addresses.
7. Evidence of active targeting:
 - a. Unlikely. None of these processes are running in the target system.
8. Severity: = (Criticality + lethality) - (System + Net Countermeasures)
 - a. Criticality – 3;
 - b. Lethality – 1; Processes not available
 - c. System – 4; Win98 box with updated patches
 - d. Countermeasures – 5; Firewall/IDS and port 1080 is not used.
 - e. Severity = 4 – 9 = -5
9. Defensive recommendations:
 - a. None.
10. Multiple choice test question:
 - a. What is the scanner looking for with this scan?
 - i. An active Trojan horse server
 - ii. A system with a buffer overflow vulnerability
 - iii. A system to make himself anonymous with
 - iv. A system that can synchronize time with

Ans: iii