

TOMORROW starts here.



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The Situation...



- Worm propagation
- DOS symptoms
- Limited endpoint security
- No IPS
- Nothing left to do but ...



The Ask...



- Identify Infected hosts
- Prevent further propagation.



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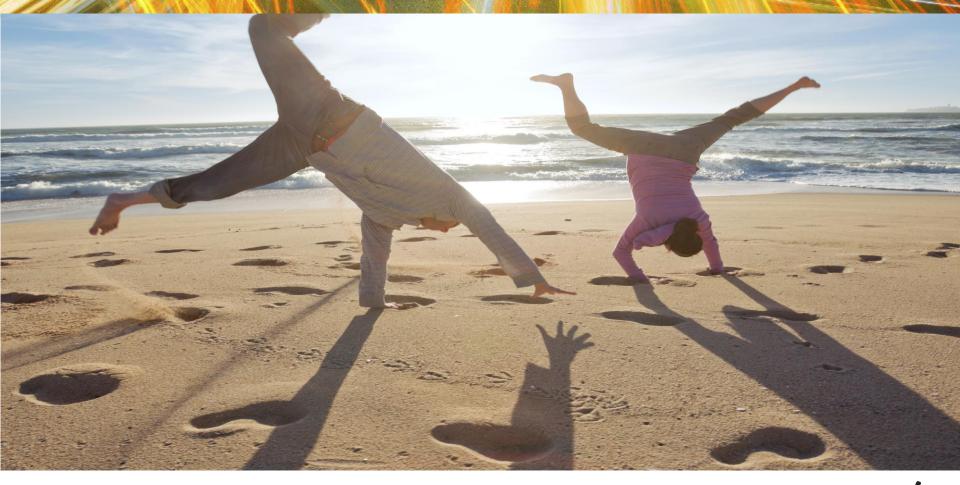
Using Network–Based Application Recognition and ACLs for Blocking the "Code Red" Worm

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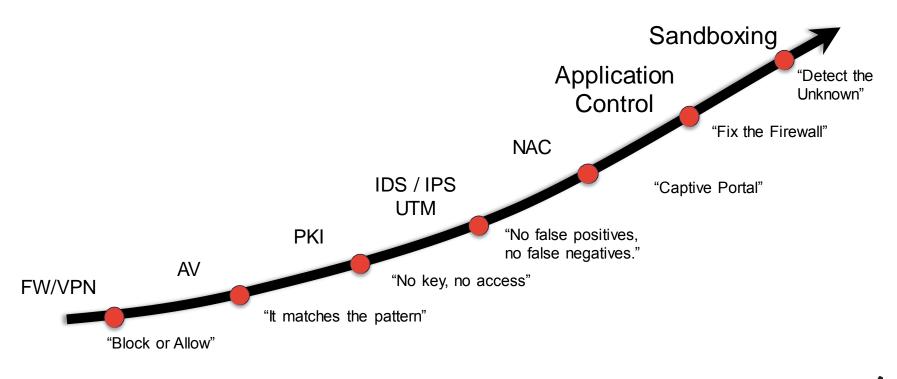
Since Then...



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The Silver Bullet Does Not Exist...





Core Challenges for Current Cyber Incident Response

- For most respondents, security incidents are on the rise
- Most incidents today are detected by people, not technology
 - Traditional SIEMs are only successful in identifying an incident 1/3 of the time
- Successful response is often impaired by
 - Insufficient skilled resources
 - Lack of threat intelligence
 - Poor information sharing
- Over 2/3 of executives believe that an effective incident response is an opportunity to enhance the company's reputation
- 70% of small firms and 80% of large firms engage external help, particularly around hardto-retain forensics skills

Source: Economist Intelligence Unit, "Cyber incident response: Are business leaders ready" (March 2014)



Breaches: Success In Hours, Undetected For Months

Breached in Minutes

- Months to Detect
- Weeks to Contain





Both Sides of Reality

Statistic	Conclusion
"The majority of likely attacks can be prevented by doing the basics"	We need to do the basics well.
"Field efficacy for AV products for new malware is closer to 50% than the 99+% claimed by testing organisations."	but we need to be ready for the rest.



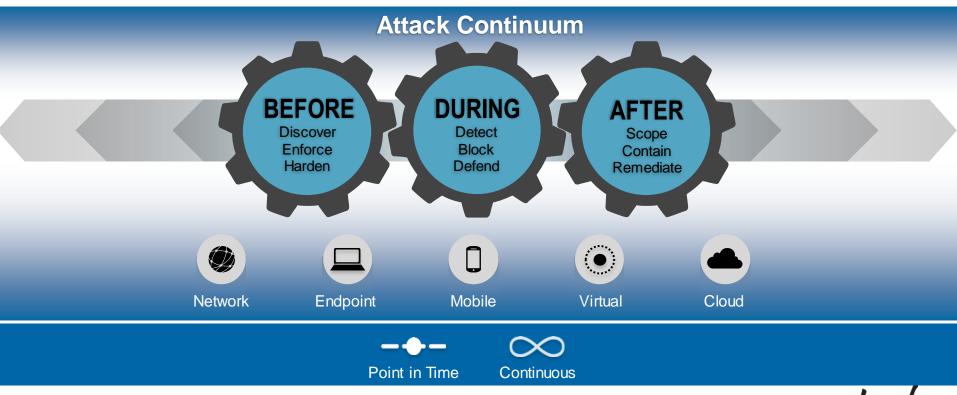
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Work with us..

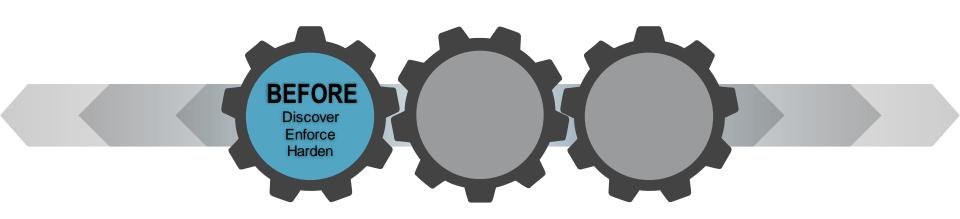
- To assess our current security posture.
- To maximise value from the tools and controls we already have.
- To deploy new technologies where required.
- To gain efficiencies by getting controls to work together
- To detect and respond to malicious behaviour more quickly.



The Threat-Centric Security Model



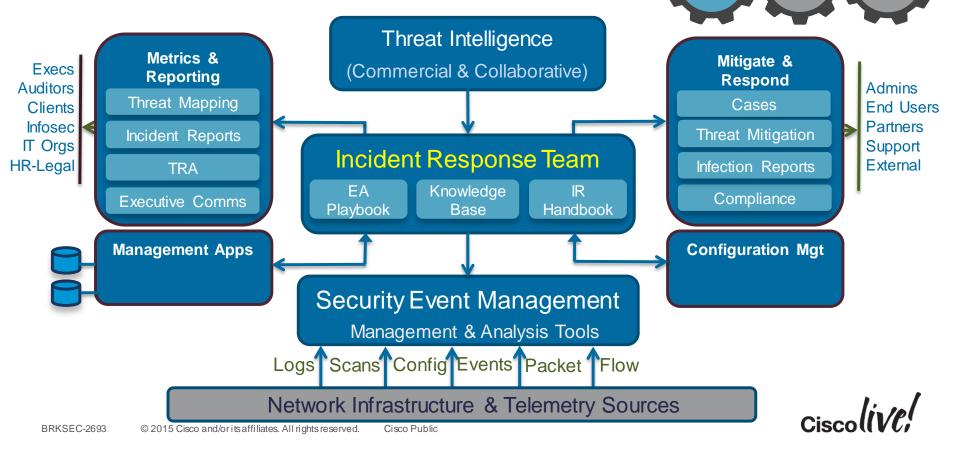


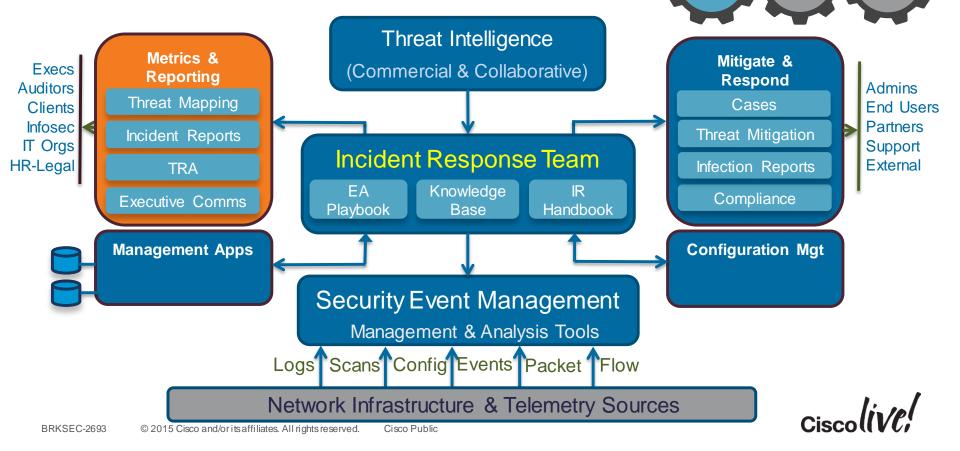


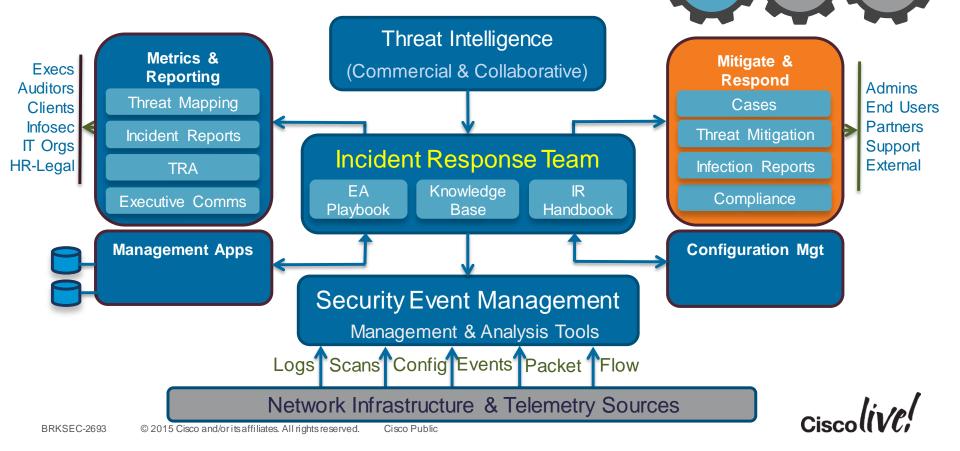


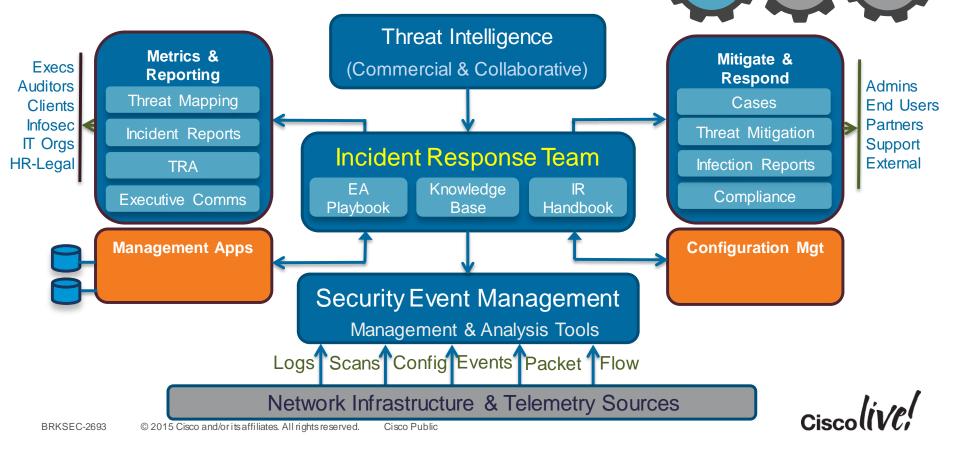


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Lets Ask Ourselves..



- What are we protecting?
- How can we see it ?
- What are the relevant threats ?
- How ready are we?





- Architecture / Designs
- Structured, Modular, Predictable
- CMDB, Asset Lists, IPAM
- Directory





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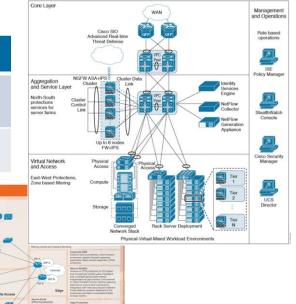


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Cisco Validated Designs	http://www.cisco.com/go/cvd

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- System and Data Changes
- Network Activity
- Authentication, Authorisation
- Resource Access
- Malware Activity
- Failure and Critical Errors

Source: SANS Top 6 Categories of Critical Log Information





SANS Categories	Sources, Patterns, and Indicators
AAA	Login Activity, Time Spent, Privileges, Endpoint Posture, AAA Logs, Directory Logs
System, Data Changes	File Hashes, AAA Logs, Host IDS, Change Records,
Network Activity	Netflow Stats, Firewall Conns, Proxy Logs, IDS Events, DNS Logs, Time Spent
Resource Access	Email Stats, Proxy Logs, Netflow, Endpoint Posture, Directory Logs,
Malware Activity	File Downloads, Email Attachments, Firewall Conns, Malware Engine Scans
Failure, Critical Errors	CPU, Memory, Disk, Process





Event Type	Source	Events
Attribution	DHCP Server	IP Assignments to machine, MAC Address
	VPN Server	IP Assignments to User, WAN Address
	Net Gateway	IP Assignment translation to RFC 1918
	802.1xAuth	IP Assignment to user, MAC Address
System Activity	Server syslog	AAA, Service Start/Stop, Config Changes, FireAmp
Web Proxy logs	Web Proxy (WSA)	Web Malware downloads, C2 Checkins
Spam Filter logs	ESA	Malicious URLs and Attachments, Policy violations
Firewall logs	ASA, WAF	Accepted and Denied Connections
Web Server logs	Web Servers	Access logs, Error logs



What Does It Look Like?



Device T	ype Protocol	Sample
ASA Firewall	Syslog	Jul 02 2014 23:14:06: %ASA-5-106100: access-list inbound denied tcp outside/193.201.30.23(135) inside/193.201.30.23(1922) hit-cnt 1 first hit [0x91c26a3, 0x0]
Email Security Appliance	SCP / FTP / Syslog	Thu Jul 02 23:15:54 2014 Info: MID 245170 Message-ID '<194961.85741.qm@web65710.mail.ac4.yahoo.com>'
Web Security Appliance	SCP / FTP / Syslog	1343913291.98 70 91.208.184.24 TCP_MISS/200 3454 GET http://www.flashgames247.com/thumb/80x70/images/
Cisco IPS	HTTPS (SDEE)	2014-07-02 17:58:34,670 - INFO - 1343894300486157000 eventid="6821322601693" hostId="ips.acme" sig_created="20061120" sig_type="other" severity="informational" app_name="sensorApp" appInstanceId="1588" signature="5575"
Generic IOS	Syslog	Jul 2 23:24:20 10.48.24.32 Aug 2 2014 13:24:20 ace.acme: %ACE-3-251008: Health probe failed for server 192.168.111.12 on port 443



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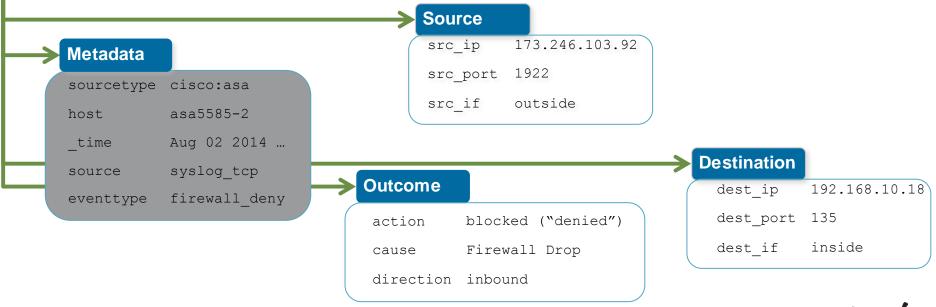


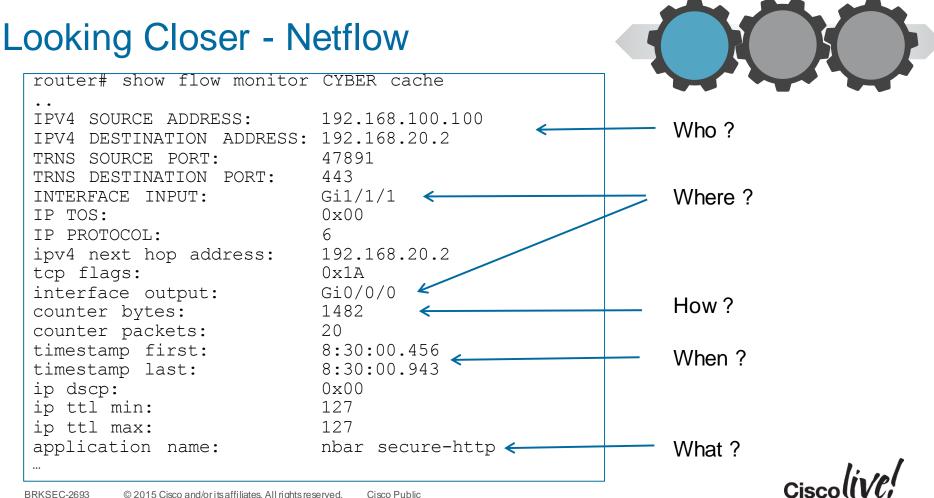
Device Type	Protocol	Sample
Sourcefire	HTTPS (eStreamer)	<pre>rec_type=400 rec_type_simple="IPS EVENT" event_sec=1409300614 event_usec=919489 sensor=10.67.34.71 event_id=258025 msg="APP-DETECT failed FTP login attempt" sid=13360 gid=1 rev=6 class_desc="Misc Activity" class=misc-activity priority=low src_ip=192.168.100.98 dest_ip=192.168.10.18</pre>
Cyber Threat Defence (Lancope)	Syslog	Aug 29 17:59:00 stl-as-n07-cyber-smc-1.cisco.com Aug 29 16:59:00 stl- as-n07-cyber-smc-1 StealthWatch[2359]: alarm_category_name="Anomaly", alarm_severity_name="Major", alarm_status="ACTIVE", alarm_type_name="High Target Index",
Wireless LAN Controller	Syslog	Aug 30 13:55:28 n07-3850-1-wlc.cisco.com 47920: 0.0.0.0: Aug 30 03:59:02.892: %EPM-6-POLICY_APP_SUCCESS: Policy Application succeded for Client [0.0.0.0] MAC [40f3.0868.59d5] AuditSession ID [0a43223754014c0600007e44] for POLICY_TYPE [URL Redirect]
Cisco ISE / TrustSec	Syslog	Aug 31 15:08:13 stl-as-n07-ise-1.cisco.com Aug 31 15:08:14 stl-as-n07- ise-1 CISE_Passed_Authentications NOTICE Passed-Authentication: Authentication succeeded, ConfigVersionId=7, Device IP Address=10.67.34.55, DestinationIPAddress=10.67.34.38,

Looking Closer - ASA



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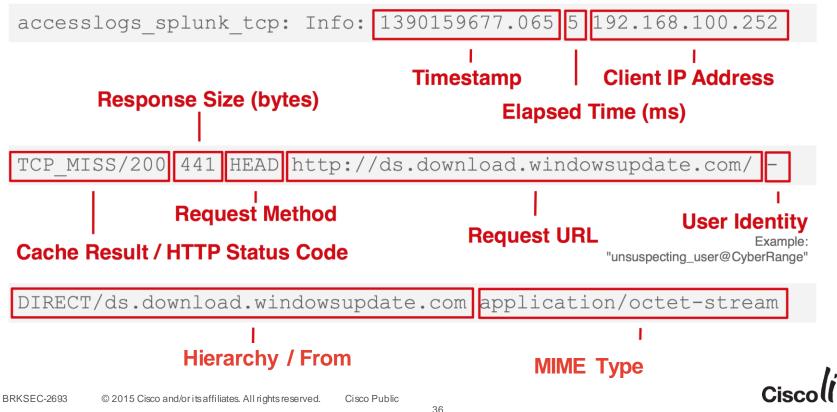
Looking Closer – Email Security



- Transactional Data
 - ICID / MID / DCID
- MTA Information
 - address <...> reverse dns host <...> verfied <...> DNS info about the sending MTA
 - SG <...> ... SBRS <...> HAT group and SenderBase score details
- SMTP Conversation Details
 - From: <...> ... To: <...> sender and recipient
- Key Message Headers
 - Message-ID | Envelope From / To | Subject | Message Size
- Processing
 - AV/AS Verdicts | DLP Verdict | Attachment Info | Content Filters

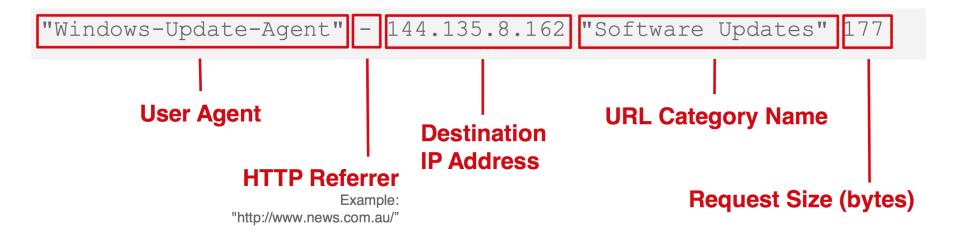
Looking Closer – Web Security











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"The art of war teaches us to rely not on the likelihood of the enemy's not coming, but on our own readiness to receive him;

not on the chance of his not attacking, but rather on the fact that we have made our position unassailable."

Sun Tsu, "The Art of War"



How Ready Are We?



- Red Team / Ethical Hack
- Configuration Standards
- Vulnerability Management
- Regular Review and Remediation Program



How Ready Are We? Configuration Standards



		Cisco Securi	ty Framework		~		
Ident	Total Visibil ity, Trust, Complian Performance Mor	ce, Event, and	Security Policy	ete Control / Enforcement and Mitigation			
Identify	Monitor	Correlate	Harden	Isolate	Enforce	Self/Joint Assessment	Gap Analysis
Identify and Assign Trust- Levels to Subscribers, Services, and Traffic	Monitor Performance, Behaviors, Events, and Compliance with Policies	Collect, Correlate, and Analyze System-Wide Events	Harden the Transport, Services, and Application Infrastructures	Isolate Subscribers, Systems, and Services to Contain and Protect	Enforce Security Policies and Mitigate Security Events	Execution Plan Sequencir	Remediation Planning
	Sec	ure, Resilient Ne	tworks and Service	es			-

http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/solutions/Enterprise/Security/Baseline_Security/securebasebook.html



How Ready Are We? Configuration Standards



Reference	URL
Security Controls Framework	http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/solutions/Enterprise/Security/CiscoSCF.html
Network Security Baseline	http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/solutions/Enterprise/Security/B aseline Security/securebasebook.html
IOS Hardening Guide	http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/docs/ip/access-lists/13608- 21.html
IOS XR Hardening Guide	http://www.cisco.com/web/about/security/intelligence/CiscoIOSXR.ht ml
NXOS Hardening Guide	http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/products/collateral/switches/nexus- 7000-series-switches/guide_c07-665160.html

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How Ready Are We? ASD Top 35 Mapping



#	Title	Compliance	Solution
1	Application Whitelisting	Meets	Application Whitelisting with FireAmp
2	Patch Applications	Assists	ISE & NAC
3	Patch OS Vulnerabilities	Meets (I)	Cisco Prime suite
4	Restrict Administrative Privileges	Meets (I)	Cisco Secure ACS
5 (18)	User Application hardening	Assists	FireSight Host Profiles
6 (new)	Dynamic analysis of email & web content in a sandbox.	Meets	AMP Sandboxing (including with Ironport, CWS)
8 (11)	Host based IDS	Assists	AMP for Endpoints
10 (7)	Network Segmentation	Meets	VLAN, VRF, VPN, ACL, SGT/SGACL, ZBF

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Туре	Description
Security Advisories	Significant, Effecting Cisco Equipment, Requiring Action
Security Responses	Responses to 3 rd party announcements
Security Notices	Medium / Low Impact

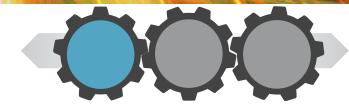
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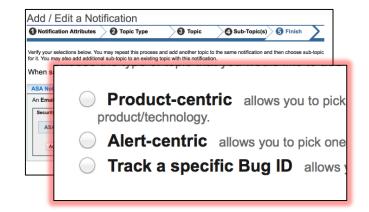
- Staying Informed
- Customisable Alerts
- Regular Review
- Make it someone's role

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		normer gerseo.com and melades.
Security Advisories & Responses		
ASA with FirePOWER Services		
Add another subtopic		





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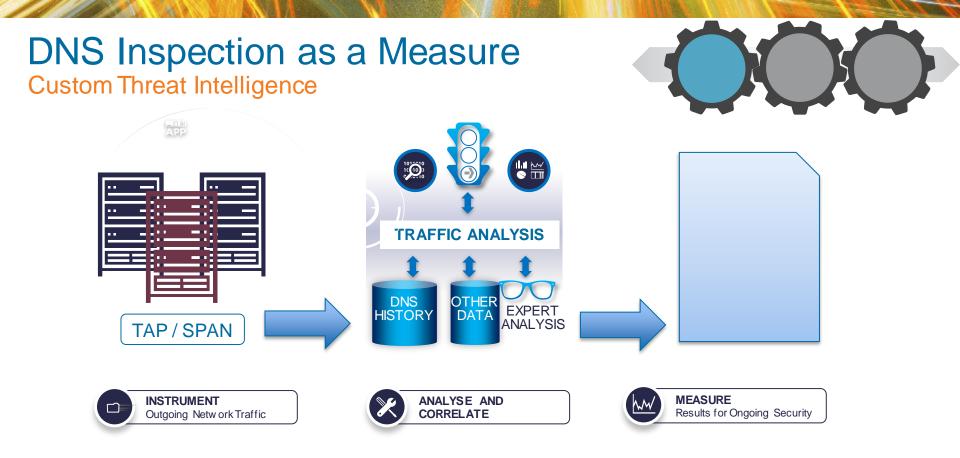
- Reacting to an Advisory
- Assess Impact Applicability
 - Hardware Model
 - Software Version
 - Feature in use
 - Regular Updates
- Fix / Workaround as required



Affected Products Cisco is currently investigating its product line to determine which products may be affected and the extent of the impact of the vulnerability on its products. Additional Cisco products will be added as the investigation progresses. The following Cisco products are currently under investigation None Vulnerable Products Products Confirmed Not Vulnerable Top of the section Close Section Details • Vulnerability Scoring Details Impact Software Versions and Fixes Workarounds Obtaining Fixed Software Exploitation and Public Announcements Status of This Notice: Final Distribution Revision History

Cisco Security Procedures





See also: https://www.icann.org/news/blog/monitor-dns-traffic-you-just-might-catch-a-rat



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DNS Inspection as a Measure

Custom Threat Intelligence



- High Threat Malware (Zeus, Palevo, SpyEye)
- Malware Distribution Sites
- Compromised Sites
- HT Parked Domains
- No Content Sites
- DNS Tunnelling
- Hate Related or other Illegal Material
- Suspect DNS Requests



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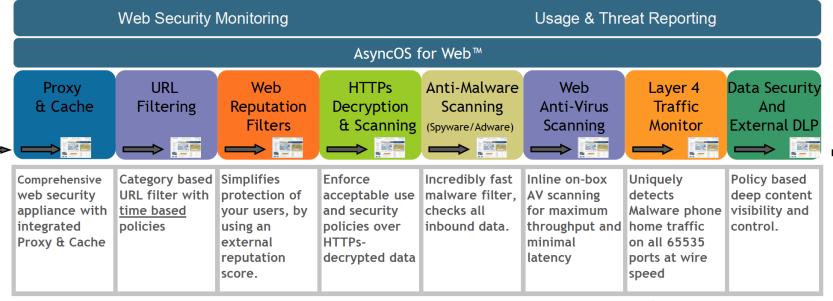


162 Distinct Objects 2 HTML Docs 4 Style Sheets 111 Images 14 Scripts 7 Flash/Adv Content 18 Errors 27 Unique Domains 29 Unique Hosts 107 Kbytes

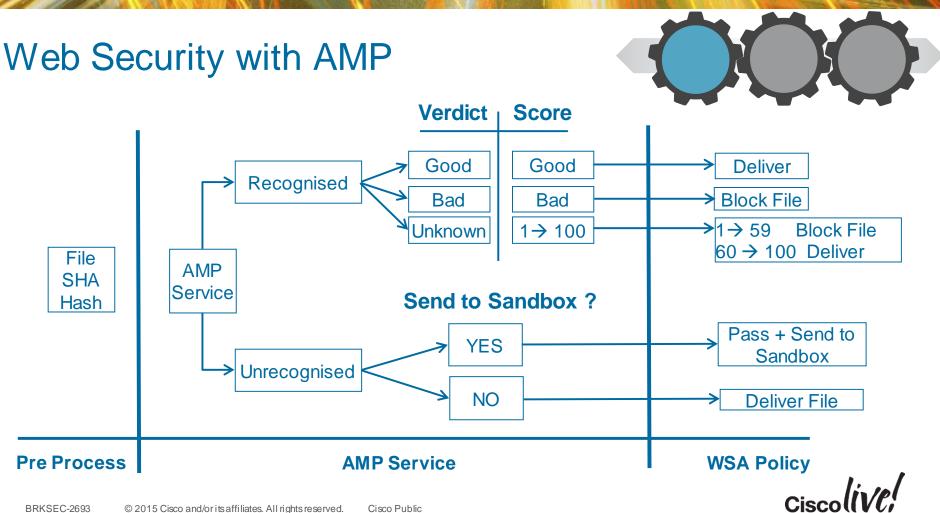
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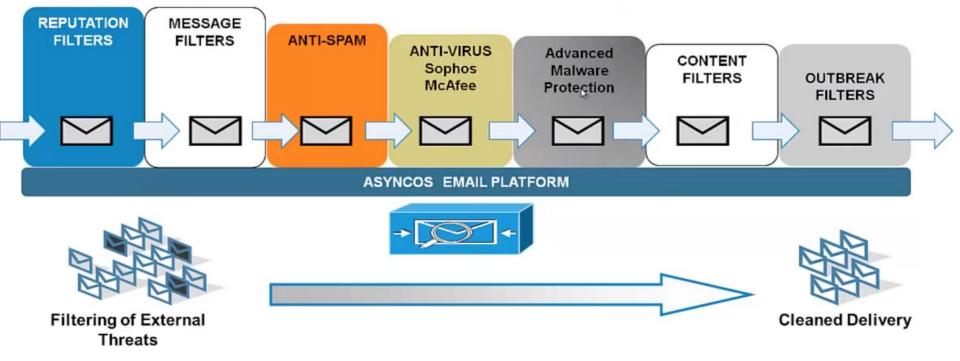


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Enforcing Email Security





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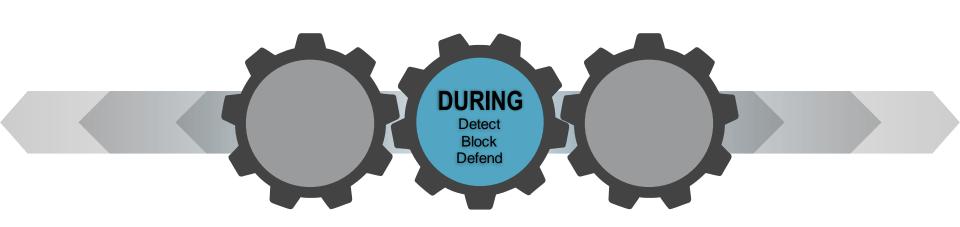
Email Security and AMP



AMP uses cloud-based services to protect against zero-day and targeted filebased threats in email attachments by:

- Obtaining each file's reputation
- Analysing the behaviour of files with unknown reputations
- Notifying you about files determined to be threats after they have entered the network.



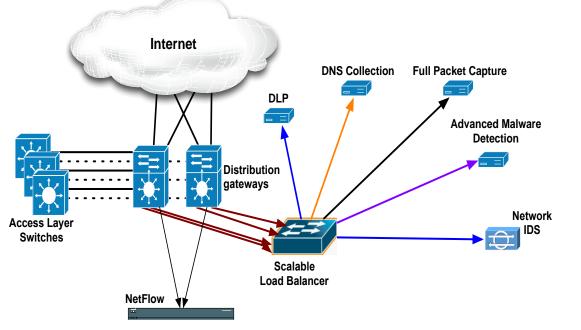




Can't See The Wood For The Trees?

Bringing it all together

- 22 TB of Traffic Inspected
- 6 million HTTP transactions
- 750 GB of logs
- 4 billion DNS Records
- 1% Blocked as Malware
- 13 Billion Netflow records
- 400+ Application Providers
- 12 Critical Data Centres







- Defines:
 - **Objective**:
 - Query: •
 - **Result Analysis:** •
 - ID, Notes: •
- Benefit: •
 - **Best Blend Human Skill & Automation** ٠
 - **Process Efficiency** ٠
 - Knowledge Sharing
 - Continuous Refinement

- Tell me if you see this happening...
- Query string used for detection
- Explanation of Logic/Approach
 - Reference and Refinement Comments



Firewall blocks suspicious probe on outside

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src_ip	173.246.103.92
direction	inbound
cause	Firewall Drop
action	dropped



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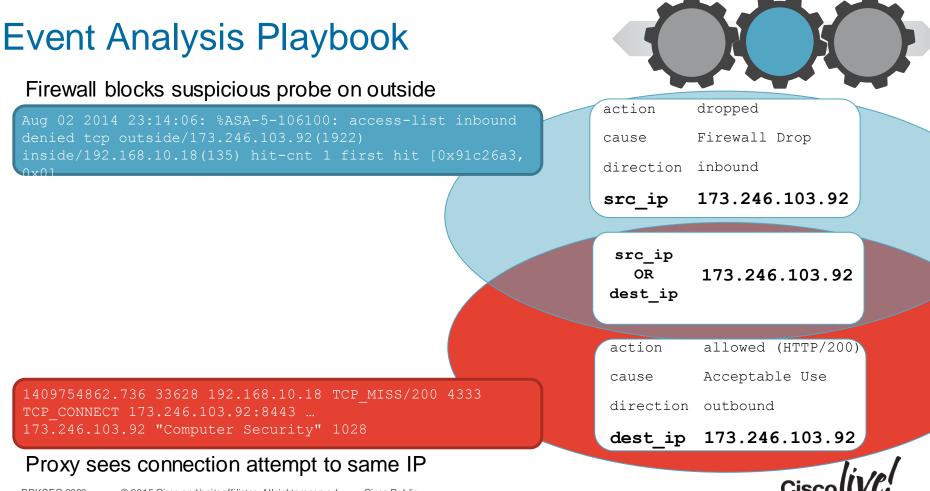


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Proxy sees connection attempt to same IP

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dest_ip	173.246.103.92
direction	outbound
cause	Acceptable Use
action	allowed (HTTP/200)



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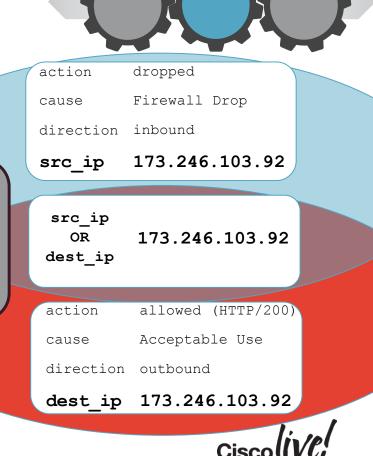
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query_id="SPL-MW-003-05"
query_description="Inbound Scan w/ Outbound Access"
incident_id="1115258_0800_20-Aug-14"
attacker_ip="173.246.103.92" severity="med"
sourcetype="cisco:wsa,cisco:asa" _time="20 Aug 2014"
raw event="<Firewall Event> ... <Web Sec Event> ..."

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Objective:

Report the top 10 IP's that continuously make HTTP request to sites with web reputation scores of -8.0 or less.

Working:

index="wsa" AND x_wbrs_score <= -8.0 AND TCP_DENIED AND NOT (tag=acns) AND earliest=-24h | stats count by c_ip | sort -count limit=10 | rename c_ip as "Source IP", count as "# of TCP DENIED to WBRS < -8.0"</pre>

An email will be sent to csirt-xxxxxx@cisco.com

Analysis: The generated report is high fidelity - about 90% of the results have been found to be infected with either malware or adware and need to be submitted to the malware remediation process. If a DC host is found, those hosts will be escalated to the on-duty investigator.







Playbook #3077: Advanced Threat

[INC-ES-0107] Suspected Malware Drop

"Auto-generated alert from Playbook Guery Payload Receipt a

The following activity was flagged for review by a Cyther Range

Liver <contractor1@cyberchco.com> was seen to have receive (Iriggered by: [ESA] Suspect Content) followed by suspicious a (Iriggered by: [WSA] Reputation) from host address a.n.n.n.ta

Original Query:

"[I] ESA has attachment OR has Lift with low reputation) AND web requests to dest_ to reputation $\ll 0$) within 4 hours"

Study the data

Suspected Phishing Attack:

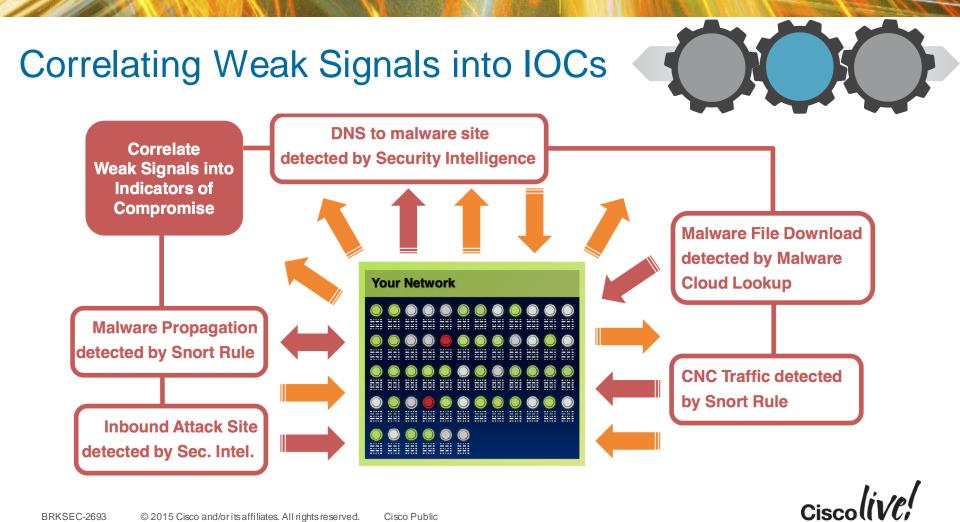
[INC-ES-0634] Confirmed Spear Phishing Attack

Sourcetype="cisco sea" OR sourcetype="cisco was"" | eral_tox_key=collector(cg_url_messes)url) | eral_tox_key=collector(cg_url_messes)url) | eral_url_key=tox_key=collector(cg_url_messes)url) | eral_url_key=tox_key=t

Build your arsenal



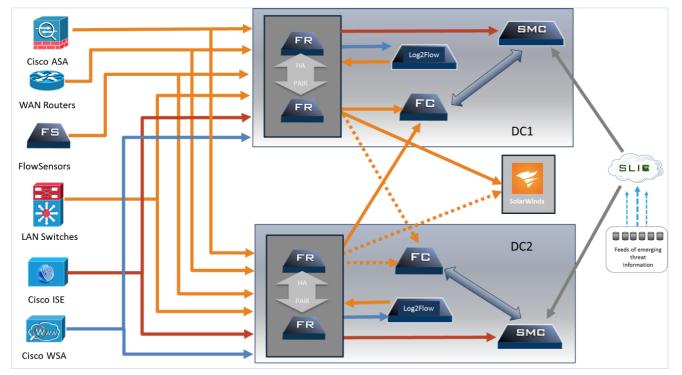
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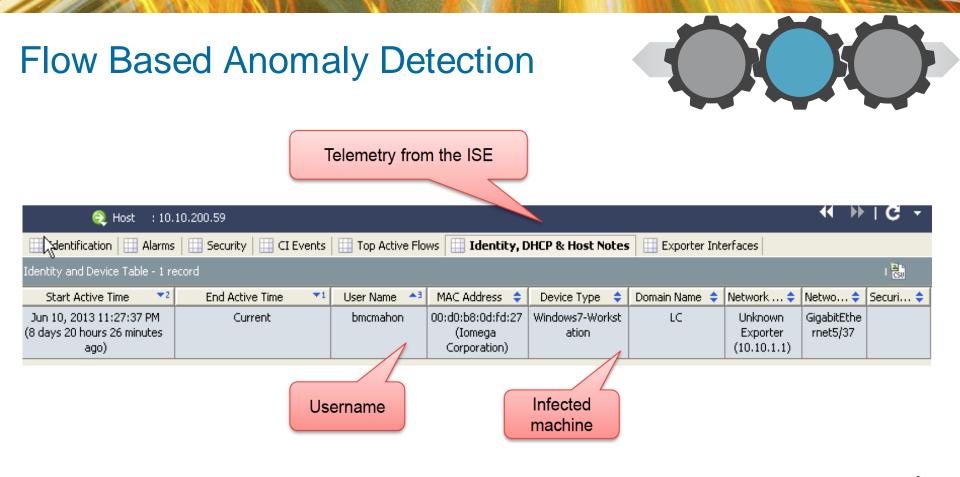
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Flow Based Anomaly Detection





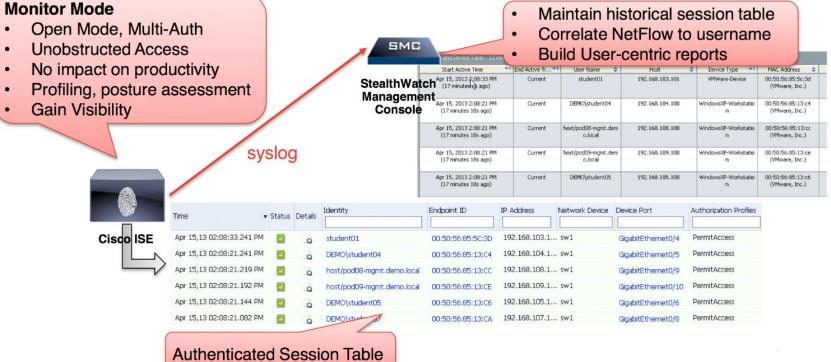
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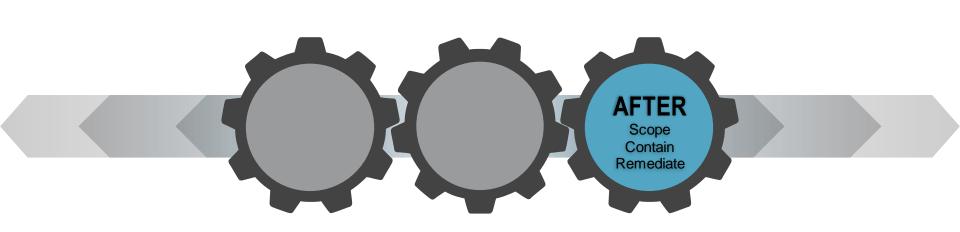


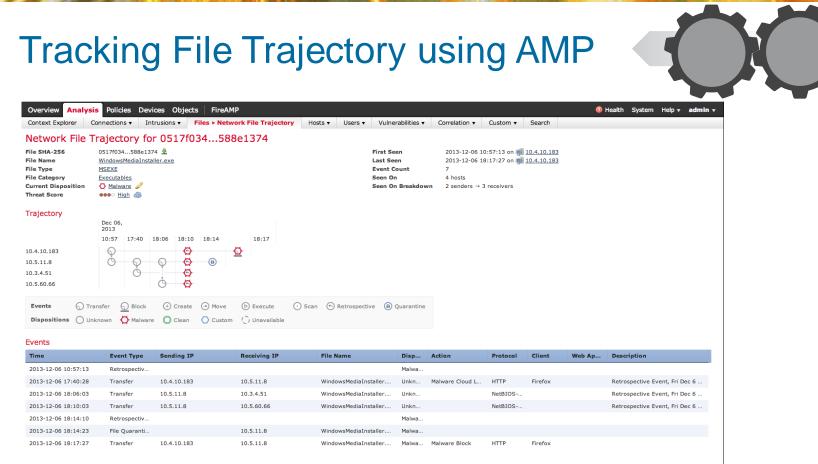
Combining Flow and Identity



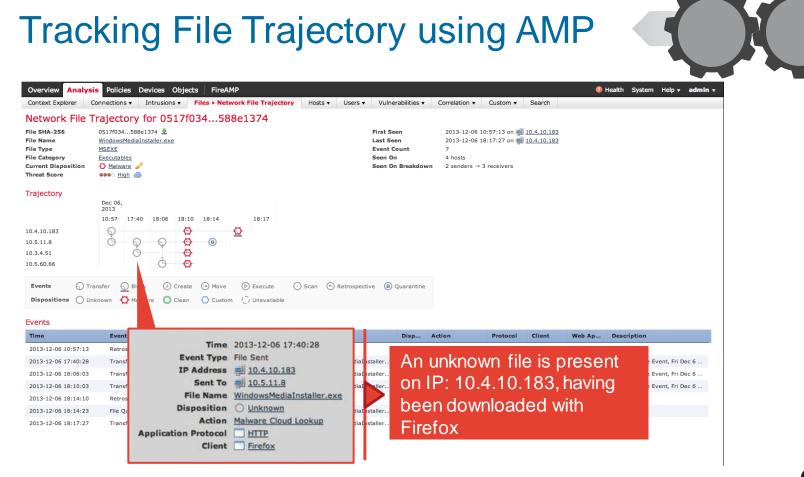




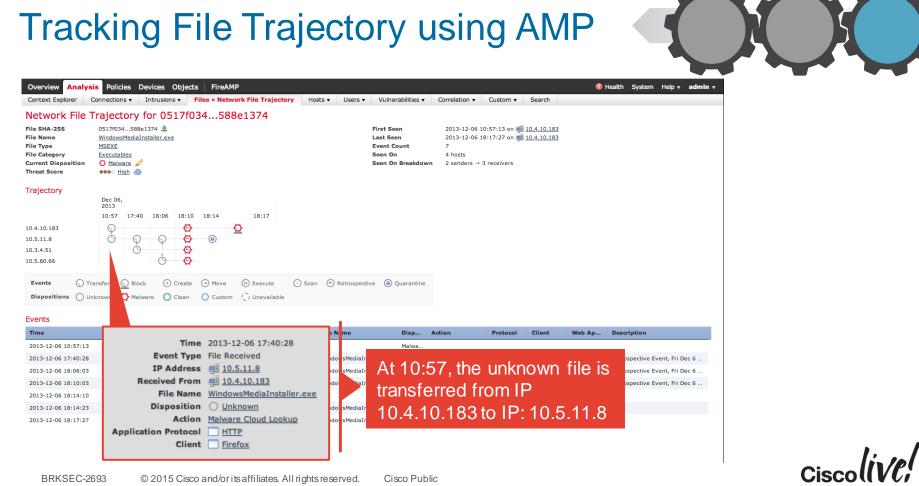


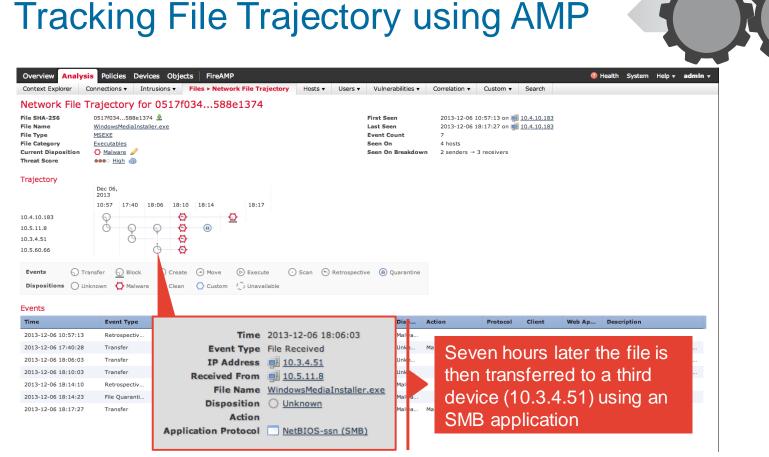




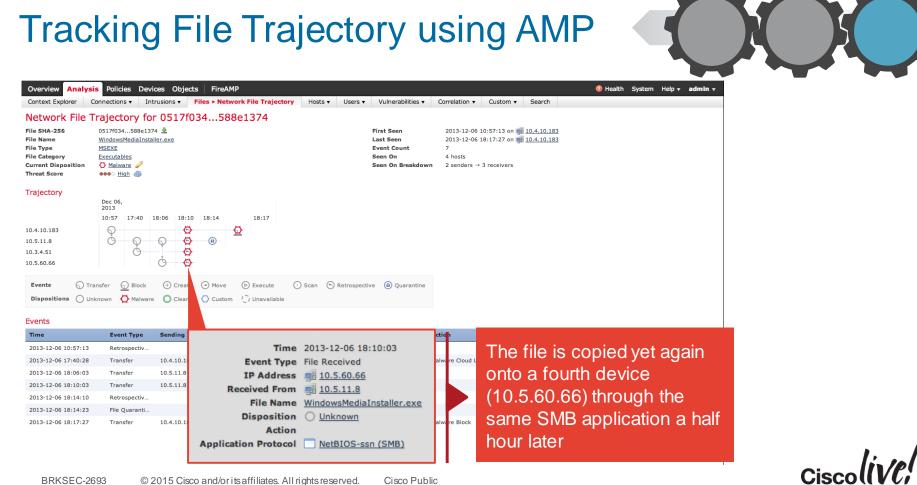


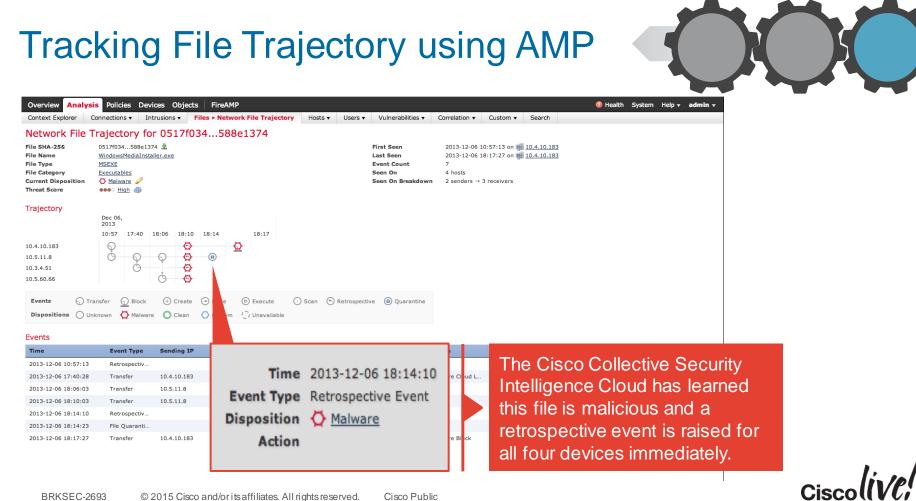


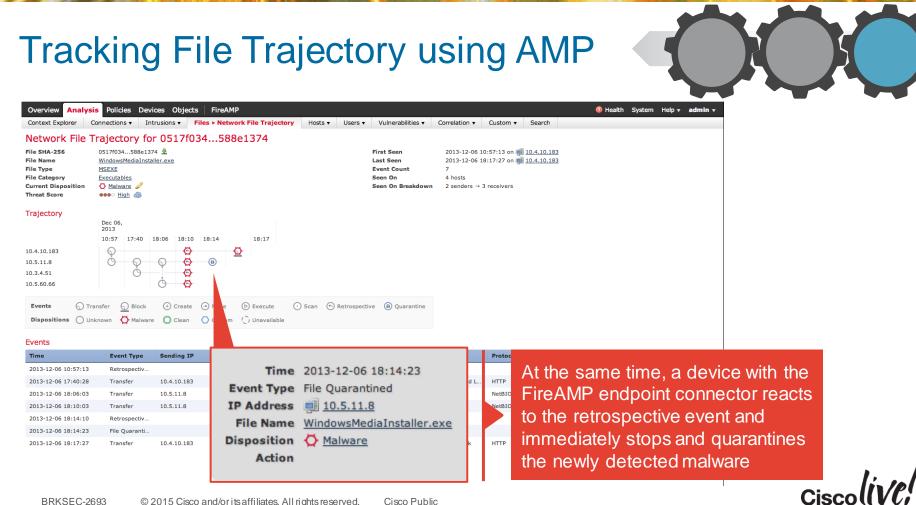


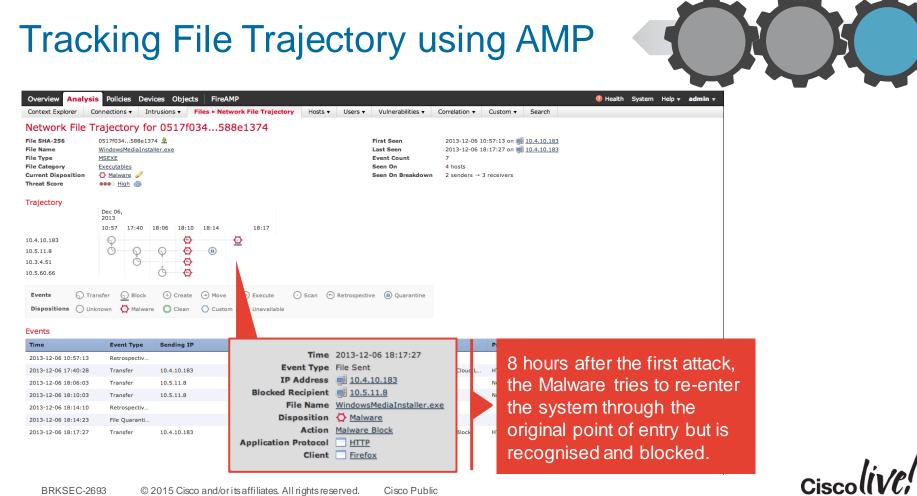


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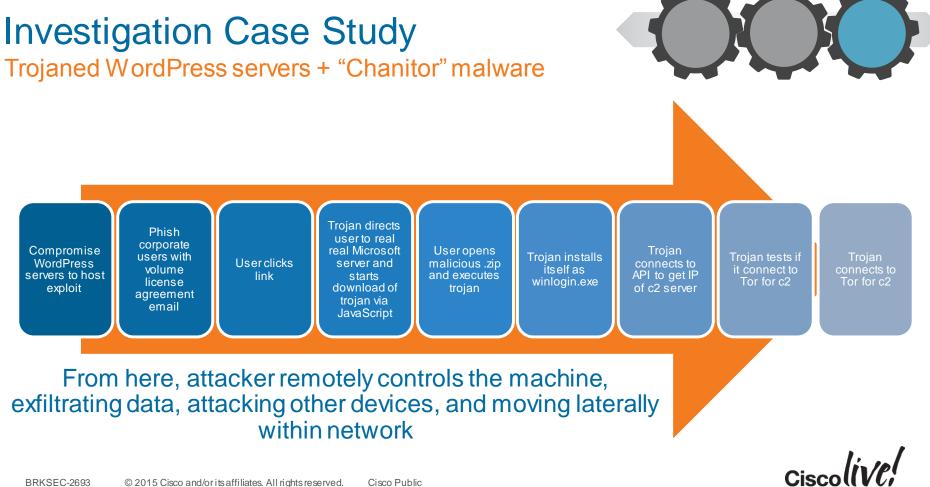












1. Attacker Sent User Phishing Email

"Congratulations...to begin registration please download..."

Real user's email address in both To: field and URL, to look more legitimate Subject: Welcome to the Microsoft Volume Licensing Service Center (VLSC)91643303:3 From: Microsoft Volume <<u>notice_message@microsoft.com</u>> Date: Thu, January 15, 2015 10:13 am To:

Welcome

ongratulations on your newly accepted Open License with Microsoft, ending in 92044. You have been assigned Administrator permissions on the Microsoft Volume Licensing Service Center (VLSC) site.

To begin registration, please download details from link below. When prompted, enter your business email as shown below:

VLSC Registration details: https://www.microsoft.com/licensing/servicecenter/registration.aspx?e=

Required Business E-mail: Type of new Licensing ID: OPEN

Once VLSC registration is complete, you will be able to:

Download licensed software
 Retrieve keys for Volume Licensing software
 View Microsoft licensing details for your organization
 Manage Software Assurance benefits
 Manage subscriptions, including MSDN and/or TechNet
 Assign others in your organization to do any of the above tasksã€"or to also be an Administrator.
 Also, within selected regions, VLSC enables the direct purchase of media kits from the Software Download Catalog.

Once you are registered, you may add any individual to your VLSC account to help manage your licenses or perform other tasks at any time. To do so, please visit the <u>My Permissions</u> link to view all details related to your VLSC permissions settings. Also visit <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u> in the Help section to learn more about what you can do in the Volume Licensing Service Center. Your new access permissions to VLSC may take up to 2 hours to become effective.

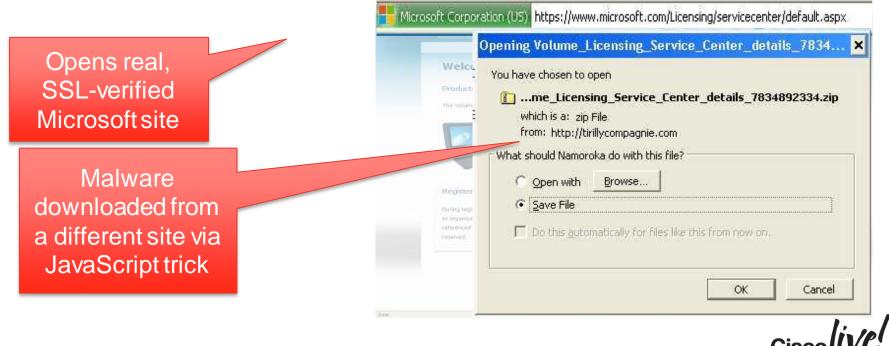
Thank you,

The Microsoft Volume Licensing Service Center Team





2. Victim Clicked Link and Received Malware Download





3. Analyst Observed Retrospective Alert for 1.php

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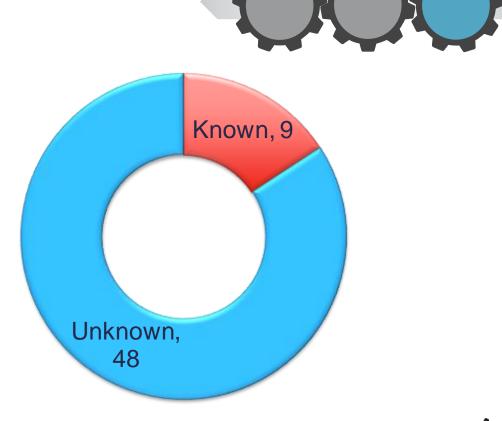
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4. Analyst Researched Threat

- Virus detection 9/57
- Sandbox execution failed
- Escalated to MTD Investigator





- All sandboxes initially called file clean
- Ran file on physical box with network and memory capture, file system monitoring



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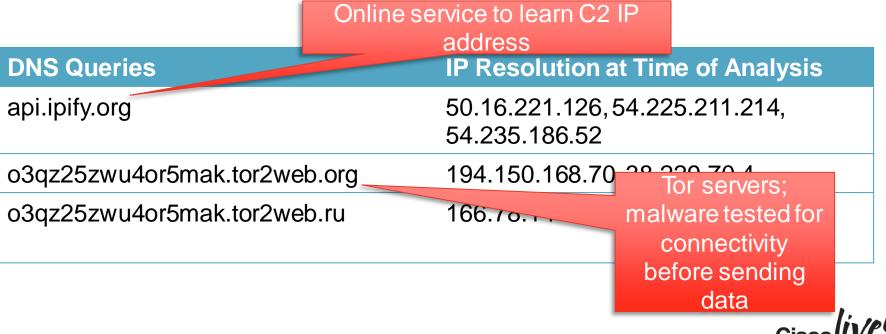
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 Investigator Conducted Forensic Analysis Discovered malware as "Chanitor"; uses sandbox evasion



6. Investigator Determined Malware C2 Servers





7. Investigator Searched for C2 Traffic

MTD Investigator searched NetFlow traffic.

Objective: Determine whether the victim was compromised and under remote control?

Result: No evidence found.





8. Investigator requested to Block Domains No successful exfiltration; malicious sites blocked

Customer guided to block the file by hash on email and web gateways, and block 3 domains used to serve the malicious files



Key Takeaways

Observation	Conclusion
Attack targeted corporate users by phishing with corporate-licensed software	Attackers after more than just personal data
Malware examination required physical forensic analysis due to sandbox evasion techniques	Sandbox technology useful but only part of solution
Attacker used Tor for C2 traffic	Tor connections should raise suspicion on corporate networks
Malware domains quickly discovered and blocked	Monitoring by senior security investigators key to protect against advanced attacks
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