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Reminder: Snort

- ▶ Network intrusion detection and prevention service
- ▶ 3 modes
 - ▶ Sniffing, logging and intrusion detection
- ▶ Rules consist of a header and options

Header

- ▶ action
- ▶ protocol
- ▶ IP+netmask and port

action protocol IP+netmask port

DIRECTION IP+netmask port

Options

- ▶ message
- ▶ sd_pattern

(option: ...; option2: ...; ...)

Credit Card Numbers

```
alert tcp $HOME_NET any  
-> $EXTERNAL_NET [80,20,25,143,110]  
(msg:"SENSITIVE-DATA Credit Card Numbers";  
sd_pattern:2,credit_card; )
```

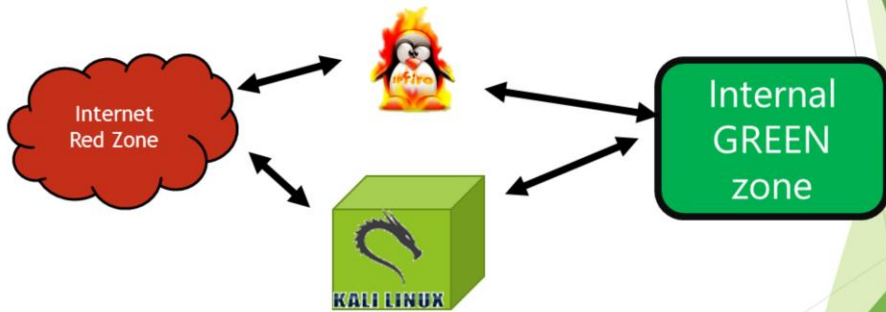
Guardian + Snort

- ▶ Guardian is part of IPFire
- ▶ Guardian blocks IP based on Snort logs
 - ▶ Blocks by adding a rule in the firewall (IPFire)
- ▶ Detection -> Prevention

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New content!

Topology



Configuration Files

- ▶ Include rules and other files
- ▶ Declare variables
 - ▶ ipvar, portvar, var
 - ▶ VARTYPE VARNAME VARVALUE
 - ▶ ipvar HOME_NET [192.168.1.0/24, 10.1.1.0/24]
- ▶ Specify when running snort

Header Actions

- ▶ alert
- ▶ log
- ▶ pass
- ▶ drop
- ▶ sdrop
- ▶ reject

- alert - generate an alert using the selected alert method, and then log the packet
- log - log the packet
- pass - ignore the packet
- drop - block and log the packet
- reject - block the packet, log it, and then send a TCP reset if the protocol is TCP or an ICMP port unreachable message if the protocol is UDP.
- sdrop - block the packet but do not log it.

Option Types

- ▶ General
 - ▶ message, metadata
- ▶ Payload detection
 - ▶ content, length, ssl_version
- ▶ Non-payload detection
 - ▶ id, ttl, flow
- ▶ Post-detection
 - ▶ activates, activated_by, count

More about Rules

- ▶ Static rules
 - ▶ Have an immediate and consistent action
- ▶ Dynamic rules
 - ▶ Events differ based on what other rules are triggered

Dynamic Rules

- ▶ actions
 - ▶ dynamic
 - ▶ remain idle until activated by an activate rule , then act as a log rule
 - ▶ (...; activated_by: id; count: ##)
 - ▶ activate
 - ▶ alert and then turn on another dynamic rule
 - ▶ (...; activates: id)

Dynamic Rules

- ▶ non-payload detection option
 - ▶ flow bits
 - ▶ sets "states" and avoid logging
 - ▶ `flowbits:set,logged_in; flowbits:noalert;`
 - ▶ checks state, and logs if it matches
 - ▶ `flowbits:isset,logged_in;`

Dynamic Rules

- ▶ post-detection option

- ▶ tags

- ▶ once a rule is triggered, all subsequent traffic from the same host or session is logged for a specified period