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Securing FTP on VSE

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RFC 959

The File Transfer Protocol

- The objectives of FTP are:
 - to promote sharing of files and encourage use of remote computers
 - to shield a user from variations in file storage systems among hosts
 - to transfer data reliably and efficiently

RFC 959

The File Transfer Protocol

- **Protocol is a set of rules**
- **Following the rules allows totally different systems to talk to each other**

FTP Clients

- **All ftp transfers have a single client, also referred to as the control connection**
- **FTP clients use the telnet protocol to send commands and receive replies to a local and foreign FTP server**

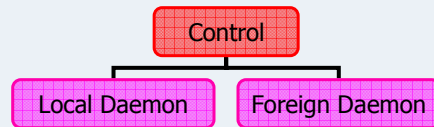
FTP Clients

- **Examples of clients**
 - // EXEC FTPBATCH
 - // EXEC FTP
 - WS_FTP Pro
 - MS-DOS FTP command
 - VM FTP command

FTP Clients

- **Client opens connection to a:**
 - Local FTP server(daemon)
 - Foreign FTP server(daemon)
 - Both usually require a userid and password
 - Clients often:
 - mask actual commands(DIR=LIST)
 - issue commands to each server at the same time
 - Both the foreign and local servers must support the standard set of commands as defined in RFC959

FTP Protocol



FTP Automatic Security

- **No Need to code a security exit!!!**
 - SECURITY ON
 - AUTO=ON
 - BATCH=ON
 - MODE=FAIL LOGGING=FAIL

FTP Automatic Security

- DATA=YYNNNNNNYNNNNNYYNNNNNNNNYNNNNNNNNNN
- SXTYPASS EQU 1 - Password Check
- SXTYREAD EQU 2 - Read Check
- SXTYWRIE EQU 3 - Write Check
- SXTYUPDT EQU 4 - Update Check
- SXTYCMD EQU 9 - SITE Command check
- SXTYDEL EQU 10 - Delete check
- SXTYREN EQU 11 - Rename check
- SXTYCRT EQU 12 - Create check
- SXTYEXEC EQU 13 - EXEC command check

FTP Automatic Security

- DATA=YYNNNNNNYNNNNNYYNNNNNNNNYNNNNNNNNNN
- SXTYAPPE EQU 14 - APPEND check
- SXTYOPDI EQU 15 - OPDIR check
- SXTYRDD EQU 16 - RDDIR check
- SXTYCWD EQU 17 - CWD Check
- SXTYLOGI EQU 20 - Daemon LOGIN request
- SXTYMKD EQU 24 - Make directory
- SXTYRMD EQU 25 - Remove directory
- SXTYCWDL EQU 26 - Last CWD
- SXTYFCMD EQU 29 - FTPD command

FTP Automatic Security

- Suppose you want to stop any new ftp sessions from being established on VSE
- Simply issue a:
 - **ASEcurity FTPD=NO**
 - No 220-welcome to VSE msg will be sent out to anyone connecting into VSE on the ftp port(usually 21)

HFS Encrypted Files

- **File can be stored on VSE with FTP encrypted!!!**
 - Simply use the DEFINE FILE command
 - **DEFINE FILE**
 - **DLBL=HFSTST,**
 - **PUBLIC=HFSTST**
 - **TYPE=HFS,RECFM=S,LRECL=4096**
 - **CIPHER=SDESCBCSHA1**
 - **CIPHERKEY=CIALHFSK**

HFS Encrypted Files

- **File can be stored on VSE with FTP weak or strong cryptography and hashing for integrity**
 - CIPHER=NULL-NULL
 - CIPHER=SDESCBC-SHA1
 - Single DES
 - CIPHER=TDESCBC-SHA1
 - Triple DES
 - CIPHER=AES128C-SHA1
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HFS Encrypted Files

- **Allows complete control of keys and ciphers used**
 - CIPHERKEY=CIALHFSK
 - CIPHERKEY=user_defined
 - CIPHER=KEYMASTER

FTP Security and Integrity

- **Transmits commands, responses, and data in the clear with no:**
 - Authentication
 - Privacy
 - Integrity
- **Hey, wait a minute aren't the FTP USER and PASS commands good enough?**
- **What about a truncation attack?**

FTP Security and Integrity

- **So how can I ?**
 - **Authenticate sender/receiver**
 - **Guarantee Privacy of confidential data**
 - **Guarantee Integrity of the data**

Secure FTP

- **Internet Engineering Task Force(IETF)**
- **October 2002 draft document:**
 - **Securing FTP with TLS**
 - **Widely accepted de-facto standard for securely transmitting files with the FTP protocol.**
- **October 2005 became an official Internet standard**
 - **RFC 4217 Securing FTP with TLS**

Secure FTP

- **Secure FTP provides:**
 - **User authentication**
 - **Privacy**
 - **Integrity**
- **By using industry standard cryptographic functions :**
 - **RSA digitally signed certificates**
 - **DES encryption**
 - **SHA-1 secure hash functions.**

Secure FTP

- Protection for commands and data transmitted for the FTP protocol
- By implementing the SSL protocol for FTP clients and servers running on the VSE platform
- Secure FTP implements both the SSL 3.0 and TLS 1.0 standards for security

Secure FTP

- **Allow interoperation across platforms**
 - RFC-959 defines the FTP protocol
 - RFC-2228 FTP Security Extensions
 - RFC-2389 Feature Negotiation Mechanism for FTP
 - RFC-2246 defines the TLS protocol
 - RFC-2577 FTP Security Considerations
 - RFC-4217 Securing FTP with TLS

Secure FTP

- **New FTP commands:**
 - FEAT
 - AUTH
 - PBSZ
 - PROT

Secure FTP

- **FEAT command**
 - RFC2389 allows clients to find out what features the FTP daemon supports
 - 211-Extensions supported
 - AUTH SSL
 - PBSZ
 - PROT
 - 211 END

Secure FTP

- **AUTH SSL command**
 - Issued by client
 - Causes a SSL session to be negotiated
 - Must be first command after OPEN
 - All other commands rejected until SSL enabled FTP daemon gets this!
 - Protects the control/command connection to the foreign FTP daemon
 - AUTH TLS also allowed as synonym
 - SSL is self-negotiating...

Secure FTP

- **PBSZ command**
 - RFC2228 Protection Buffer Size
 - Required Prior to PROT command
 - Not coded by end-user
 - Like when you do a PUT, internally FTP issues PORT, RETR, STOR
 - Not really used for anything but is still required...because...

Secure FTP

- **RFC2246 TLS/SSL protocol max buffer size is 32k, because...**
 - 2 byte length in TLS record header
 - Cryptos use block ciphers DES-CBC, etc.
 - DEFINE FTPD transfer buffer size
 - 1.5E = 64k dedicated buffers

Secure FTP

- **PROT command**
 - Defines security for the data connection
 - You can just secure command connection
 - Data Connection can be:
 - PROT C – Clear No Privacy or Integrity
 - PROT P – Private Privacy and Integrity
 - PROT S – Safe No Privacy, but Integrity
 - PROT E – Confidential Privacy, but no Integrity

Secure FTP

- **All controlled by Server Policy that may:**
 - Deny any commands before SSL negotiation
 - Define level of SSL/TLS to be used
 - Define cipher suites to be used
 - Allow SSL/TLS client authentication instead of USER/PASS, or require both!
 - Insist on data connection security

Questions?