MikroTik
Reactive Intrusion Detecting System

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Objective

• To make us aware the importance of MikroTik security risk.
• Make easy to monitoring & securing our MikroTik network.
• To built intrusion detecting system by our self in mikrotik box.
Background

• Admin can not always monitor the servers directly or always login in to check the servers for intruder.
• We need firewall not just to blocking intruder, but also log and report them to admin immediately.
• In wide network with many MikroTik router, we don’t know which is under attack.
• We can report the to the IP owner of the intruders as abuse.
What is IDS

- **IDS (Intrusion Detecting System):** system that can detect intrusion, it is like the alarm system
- **Intrusion:** activities that are anomalies, incorrect, inappropriate occurring on the network or host
Know the Attack

• If you know both of yourself and your enemies, you will not be lose in a hundred battles. If you do not know yourself nor your enemies, you will be lose in every single battle. (Sun Tzu).

• Jika kamu tahu dirimu sendiri dan musuhmu, kamu tidak akan kalah di ratusan pertempuran, jika kamu tidak tahu dirimu sendiri serta musuhmu, kamu akan kalah disetiap pertempuran.
How To Know The Attack

- System Logging
- Tool Torch
- Packet Sniffer
How IDS Work

• **Passive System**
  ✓ sensor detects a potential security breach
  ✓ logs the information
  ✓ alert on the console

• **Reactive System**
  ✓ Like *Passive System*, but plus:
  ✓ auto-responds (resetting the connection or drop the traffic) from intruders
  ✓ Send the report to admin
Attack Process
Drop by IP>Firewall
Logging & Mail Report
IDS on RouterOS Work Flow

We can use it to any malicious connection either from Public or local connection like a virus, spam, malware
Malicious Connection

Kind of Malicious Connection

• From outside:
  Port Scanning, Brute Force, DDoS attack

• From inside:
  Virus, Peer to Peer Connection, Illegal Tunneling (utrasurf), Anonymous Proxy, Internet Download manager, url filtered.
Simulation

We want simulation with the following points:

- MikroTik (I am using RB 751) as IDS machine
- Attacker (my laptop) it will attack the MikroTik with different method
- Email Account there are 1 email for smtp relay and some mail as mail of administator.
MikroTik Configuration

Router Identity
Pada menu `/system identity`, set the router name, ex:

![Identity Window]

Why we must set the router id?
– If we have many router, which one is being attacked.
– Because router identity will be sent by mail to admin.
NTP Client

- Network Time Protocol is the protocol to synchronize the clock between router with other router or server.
- We need NTP to get valid date and time to know exactly when the attack occurred.
- We can use The NTP Public Services, like www.ntp.org or google public NTP IP address 8.8.8.8 or 8.8.4.4.
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Set primary NTP server to `id.pool.ntp.org`, if it is set via winbox, it will automatic resolve to an IP address of NTP server.

```
/system ntp client
```

Wait until bar status of ntp client going to “timeset”
Detecting FTP Brute Force

- Intruder that access our ftp services (port 21) continuously with incorrect username & password.
- Mikrotik routerOS will response FTP incorrect login with sending message “530 Login Incorrect”
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Configure Firewall to Add Attacker IP address in Address List

in `/ip firewall filter`, add new rule to detect ftp brute force:
allows only 10 FTP login incorrect per minute, others are put on address-list:

```plaintext
add chain=output action=accept protocol=tcp content="530 Login incorrect" dst-limit=1/1m,9,dst-address/1m
add chain=output action=add-dst-to-address-list protocol=tcp content="530 Login incorrect" address-list=ftp_blacklist address-list=ftp_blacklist timeout=5m10s
```
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Configure Firewall to block FTP brute force

in `/ip firewall filter`, rule to drop the ftp attacker in address list:

add `chain=input protocol=tcp dst-port=21 src-address-list=ftp_blacklist`  
`action=drop`  
`comment="drop ftp brute forcers"`
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Configure Send e-mail

Create mail account for the smtp relay. In this lab, we are using Gmail. In /tool e-mail, set the smtp server, username & password:

\[\text{set address}=74.125.141.108\quad \text{user}=\text{mikrotik.ids}\quad \text{password}=\text{xxxx}\]
\[\text{port}=587\]

Let's try to send some email to make sure it works.
Logging

In `/system log`, add logging for mail topics. It's make us easy to get the log if there are troubleshoot in send mail.
Mikrotik Script

Scripts can be written directly to **console** or can be stored in **Script repository**

- Example script that directly run in console:

  ```
  [admin@MikroTik]>:put(45+23+1)
  ```

- Script repository (`/system script`) can be run by running other script, on
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Configuration of the Script

```plaintext
name="send_ftp" owner="admin"
policy=ftp,reboot,read,write,policy,test,winbox,password,sniff,sensitive,api
source=
foreach a in [/ip firewall address-list find list ftp_blacklist] do
local ftpip [/ip firewall address-list get :a address]
log warning ("FTP Attack from:" .ftpip)
local sysname [/system identity get name],
local date [/system clock get date],
local time [/system clock get time];
/tool e-mail send from=""$sysname@mikrotik.ids@gmail.com"" to="rofiq.fauzi@gmail.com"
tls=yes server=74.125.127.108 port=587 password m1kr0t1k subject="FTP Attack!
body=" Dear Admin,
We have note that on $date at $time. There are FTP attack to $sysname from IP
$ftpip, and has been blocked by firewall.
See http://whois.sc/$ftpip for detail IP attacker information.
Thanks & Regards"
```

- Find match address list
- Get the IP address
- Log it on machine
- Get router id, date & time
- Link to whois.sc, who the IP owner?
- Send the report
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System Schedule

In `/system schedule` add schedule in order to run the scripts within a certain period.

Interval set to 5m, because the `ip address list time out` set to 5m 10s, it's to ensure that the IP in address-list sent once.
Attacker

- Today most of the attackers who attacked continuously usually is a machine or boot
- In this demonstration, we will use Software for testing/simulation
- For demo, We will using **Brute Force** involves systematically checking all possible code, combination, or password until the correct one is found
Test Attacker

FTP Attack

- Download brute force from [www.hoobie.net/brutus](http://www.hoobie.net/brutus) and install it to your laptop.
- Input the target IP and type of attack and port
- Start Attack
Test Attacker

What going on in our Mikrotik?
Mikrotik will detect the attack, drop it, put on address list & send it by mail.
Test Attacker

What going on in attacker?

The IP attacker or the connection will be blocked.
Test Attacker

Mail Report

Port Scan Attack!

From: Router23
To: mikrotik.ids@gmail.com

9:29 AM (0 minutes ago)

Dear Admin,

We have noted that on Feb 17, 2012 at 02:29:11, there are Port Scan attacks to Router23 from IP address 192.168.88.11, and have been blocked by firewall.

See http://whois.sc/192.168.88.11 for detailed IP attacker information.

Thanks & Regards

IP Information for 192.168.88.11

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Port Scanning Attack

Test Attacker
C:\Users\ropix>nmap 192.168.88.1
Starting Nmap 5.51 ( http://nmap.org ) at 2012-10-19 23:47 SE Asia Standard Time
Nmap scan report for 192.168.88.1
Host is up (0.00087s latency).
Not shown: 993 filtered ports
PORT   STATE SERVICE
22/tcp  open   ssh
110/tcp closed  pop3
111/tcp closed  rpcbind
135/tcp closed  msrpc
139/tcp closed  netbios-ssn
995/tcp closed  pop3s
8291/tcp open   unknown
MAC Address: D4:CA:6D:26:86:4E (Unknown)

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 4.73 seconds
Port Scanning Attack

**Test Attacker**

```
C:\Users\ropix>nmap 192.168.88.1
Starting Nmap 5.51 ( http://nmap.org ) at 2012-10-19 23:53
Nmap scan report for 192.168.88.1
Host is up (0.0011s latency).
Not shown: 999 filtered ports
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MAC Address: D4:CA:6D:26:86:4E (Unknown)

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 4.78 seconds
Another attacker

In the IP firewall we can detect any malicious like:

- Who is accessing IDM
- Who is accessing Ultra surf/ vpn client
- Who is using anonymous proxy
- Who is using Download manager
- Who is accessing one specific url (porn, sex, etc)
- Who is accessing p2p connection

Put them on address-list with different name, block the address-list & send their IP by email to us.
Conclusion

✓ We can change our mikrotik box to a smart machine that inform us if it’s attacked by intruders.
✓ We can improve this method to any malicious connection
Thank You

• All scripts & material can be downloaded at http://trainingmikrotik.com/mum
• Any question?

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