

randori

A low interaction honeypot with a vengeance


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Introduction


It is not a war out there.

It is a pandemic.

 IR@KPN-CERT (NL)

 Historian (MA)

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Conception

Randori (乱取り) is a practice in which a designated aikidoka defends against multiple attackers in quick succession

- RDP brute force attack
- Attacker only has port 3389 (RDP) open
- !

Conception: github.com/avuko/aiki

```
// create a private key used by the SSHd to encrypt communications
func buildkeys() (priv_pem []byte) {
}

// set up non-bruteforceable account details
func unguessable() (username string, password string) {
}

// ssh client that can reuse captured usernames and passwords
func aiki(ip string, username string, password string) {
}

func main() {
// start fake SSHd server
config := &ssh.ServerConfig{
}

// connect back to anyone connecting to the fake SSHd server
go aiki(ip, username, password)
}
```


 <https://github.com/avuko/randori>

- Support more protocols
- Stop building “fake” services
- Scale to keep up with the bots

Techniques

- PAM for logging
- sshd/telnetd for listening
- Golang/ØMQ for randori
- SQLite/Redis/Graphviz for analysis

- ONsec-Lab gave us `pam_steal`
- Captures successful logins, I wanted failed ones

(ONsec-Lab: https://github.com/ONsec-Lab/scripts/tree/master/pam_steal)

Techniques: pam_randori

```
1  retval=pam_get_item(pamh, PAM_SERVICE, &servicename);
2  retval=pam_get_item(pamh, PAM_RHOST, &rhostname);
3  retval=pam_get_user(pamh, &username, NULL);
4  retval=pam_get_item(pamh, PAM_AUTHTOK, &password);
5  log = fopen (LOGFILE, "a");
6  [...]
7
8  fprintf(log, "%s\t%s\t%s\t%s\t%s\n", (char *) timestamp,
9          (char *) servicename, (char *) rhostname,
10         (char *) username, (char *) password);
11 fclose( log);
12 }
```

ØMQ tails this log and fans it out to randori workers

(Yes, I just copy-pasted the code from the ØMQ website)

- Telnetd just needed xinetd
- Still working on xrdp, vnc
- 31337 patching of OpenSSH

Techniques: OpenSSH (auth-pam.c)

```
diff ./auth-pam.c ../randori/deploy/auth-pam.c
```

```
820c820
```

```
<  const char junk[] = "\b\n\r\177INCORRECT";
```

```
---
```

```
>  /* const char junk[] = "\b\n\r\177INCORRECT"; */
```

```
829c829,830
```

```
<      ret[i] = junk[i % (sizeof(junk) - 1)];
```

```
---
```

```
>      /* ret[i] = junk[i % (sizeof(junk) - 1)]; */
```

```
>      ret[i] = wire_password[i];
```

Bots have a hard time handling anything:

- Authentication delays
- Connection limitations
- Max # of authentication attempts
- Strong(ish) ciphers

Techniques: Increasing attempts: telnetd

```
defaults
{
    instances = unlimited
    cps = 2000 1
    per_source = 2000
}
```

Techniques: Increasing attempts: sshd

Ciphers chacha20-poly1305@openssh.com,aes128-ctr,aes192-ctr,
aes256-ctr,aes128-gcm@openssh.com,aes256-gcm@openssh.com,
arcfour256,arcfour128,aes128-cbc

HostKeyAlgorithms ssh-rsa,rsa-sha2-512,rsa-sha2-256,
ecdsa-sha2-nistp256,ssh-ed25519

KexAlgorithms curve25519-sha256@libssh.org,ecdh-sha2-nistp256,
ecdh-sha2-nistp384,ecdh-sha2-nistp521,diffie-hellman-group1-sha1,
diffie-hellman-group14-sha1,diffie-hellman-group-exchange-sha256

MACs umac-64-etm@openssh.com,umac-128-etm@openssh.com,
hmac-sha2-256-etm@openssh.com,hmac-sha2-512-etm@openssh.com,
hmac-sha1-etm@openssh.com,umac-64@openssh.com,
umac-128@openssh.com,hmac-sha2-256,hmac-sha2-512,
hmac-sha1, hmac-sha1-96

MaxStartups 1000

MaxSessions 500

MaxAuthTries 100

Techniques: Randori principles

- Try all usernames/passwords the attacker uses
- Try only those credentials, nothing more
- Back out as early as possible
- Try not to execute code
- Resist temptation

toritelnet.go (telnet is ugly)

```
func noyoudont() {  
    // IAC: do -> don't ; will -> wont  
}  
func authcheck(ip, username, password string) (response []byte) {  
    connect()  
    noyoudont()  
    func read_and_ignore_buf()  
    func write_username()  
    func read_and_ignore_buf()  
    func write_password()  
    func read_and_ignore_buf()  
    response := read_and_store_buf()  
}  
func ip_user_pass_response_to_zeromq()
```

torissh.go (so much cleaner than telnet)

```
func authcheck(ip, username, password string) (response []byte) {
    sshconnect()
    response := get_ssh_server_version()
}
func ip_user_pass_response_to_zeromq()
```

Techniques: So much fail!

- Spent too much time trying to increase attempts
- ØMQ should not be logging into syslog
- Constant issues with disk space
- No clean way to get SSH agents/ IAC commands
- No RDP/VNC support yet

First impression, but for all the hype about IoT botnets and telnet as a vector, I'm a little disappointed at the # of sources & attempts :/

```
21 211.72.204.201
24 52.193.240.217
66 131.10.238.119
66 221.194.47.224
66 42.7.26.55
66 59.45.175.88
66 91.197.232.107
75 59.45.175.66
75 59.45.175.67
77 139.59.74.72
78 59.45.175.24
78 59.45.175.56
81 5
131 1
129 2
135 1
198 2
root@testbed:~# |sort |
1 28
1 22
2 49
2 92
68 45
83 11
83 17
84 17
```

Made an SQL mistake, had to redo everything for my talk 😞

Upside: even stronger patterns.

Downside: details changed; have to redo examples.

8:52 AM - 9 Oct 2017

```
root@testbed:~# grep -r /var/log/rasputin-*.log |
```

9:26 AM - 9 Jul 2017

Guess I should have seen that one coming:



```
syslog adm 346M Oct 8 20:26 auth.log
syslog adm 4.7G Oct 8 06:25 auth.log.1
Root utmp 8.5G Oct 8 20:26 btmp
Root utmp 12G Oct 1 06:25 btmp.1
```

Results

A ten ton catastrophe,
on a sixty pound chain

[Nick Cave, Jubilee Street]

Results: Infection vectors

57:guest:4321 60:guest:1234 60:guest:321 51:54321:enable
54:guest:654321 55:guest:admin 59:guest:friend 90:enable:
46:11111:enable 48:password:enable 51:juantech:enable 90:enable:
59:guest:54321 92:xc3511:enable 94:vizxv:enable
52:guest:123456 92:default:enable 107:admin:1234
17:root:root 10:root:openelec 90:12345:enable 84:7ujMko0vizxv:enable
94:anko:enable 109:admin:password
57:guest: 153:admin:admin 96:zlxx.:enable
97:guest:12345 104:support:support
91:1234:enable 103:admin:enable 59:guest:pass
91:guest:guest 93:123456:enable 43:Win1doW\$:enable
47:admin:7ujMko0vizxv 98:user:user 45:admin:7ujMko0admin
52:realtek:enable 51:000000:enable
52:guest:default 52:guest:user 48:root123:enable 50:654321:enable
44:00000:enable 53:guest:123

I was so focused on the war,
I forgot about the casualties

Results: hacker vs IR

Ethical hacker

Incident Responder

Botnets are a weapon of war

Botnets are a disease

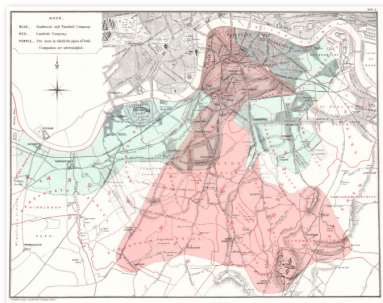
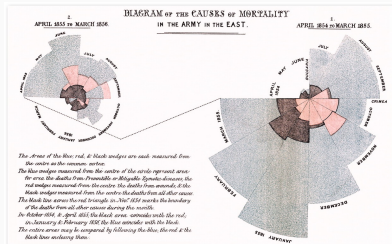
randori: Offensive/ hacking back

randori: Analyse systemic weaknesses,
catalogue infections

IoT as a battlefield

IoT epidemiology

Study botnets as pathogens living in host populations



Data visualisation by Florence Nightingale (1858), Cholera experiment by John Snow (1854)

Results: Studying botnets as pathogens

- Create a table of IPs with a string of distinct SSH clients observed

```
distinct(clients.ip),group_concat(distinct(clients.client))
```

- Create a table of IPs with a string of all user/password combos used

```
distinct(ip),group_concat(user,pass)
```

- Create an ssdeep of the ssh client strings and credentials

```
ssdeep.hash(distinct_clients + all_user_pass_combos)
```

- Context triggered piecewise hashes (CTPH)
- High tolerance for the “fuzziness” of bruteforce attacks
- Compare ssdeep hashes to see if inputs are similar

Results: Ssdeep example

```
ssdeep.hash("libssh2_1.7.0|adminasdf123adminasdf123adminasdf123  
admin1q2w3e4radmin1q2w3e4radmin1q2w3e4r")
```

```
'3:EWKv8Vz+IXLEWIXLEWIXLoi+KU9i+KU9R:EWKvEz+qwWqwWqUinU9inU9R'
```

```
ssdeep.hash("libssh2_1.7.0|adminasdf123adminasdf123adminasdf123  
adminabc123@adminabc123@adminabc123@")
```

```
'3:EWKv8Vz+IXLEWIXLEWIXLEHTuTuG:EWKvEz+qwWqwWqwy'
```

```
ssdeep.compare("3:EWKv8Vz+IXLEWIXLEWIXLEHTuTuG:EWKvEz+qwWqwWqwy",  
"3:EWKv8Vz+IXLEWIXLEWIXLoi+KU9i+KU9R:EWKvEz+qwWqwWqUinU9inU9R")
```

```
>>> 32
```

Results: Botnet strain grouping with ssdeep and Redis



<https://github.com/avuko/kathe>

ssdeep string:

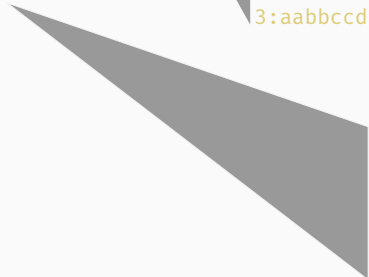
```
3:aabbccddee:ccdd...  
  aabbccd   cccd...  
  abbccdd   cdd...  
  bbccdde
```

rolling_window:

```
3:aabbccd  
...  
3:aabbccddee:ccdd  
3:aabbccdfg:ccde
```

ssdeep:

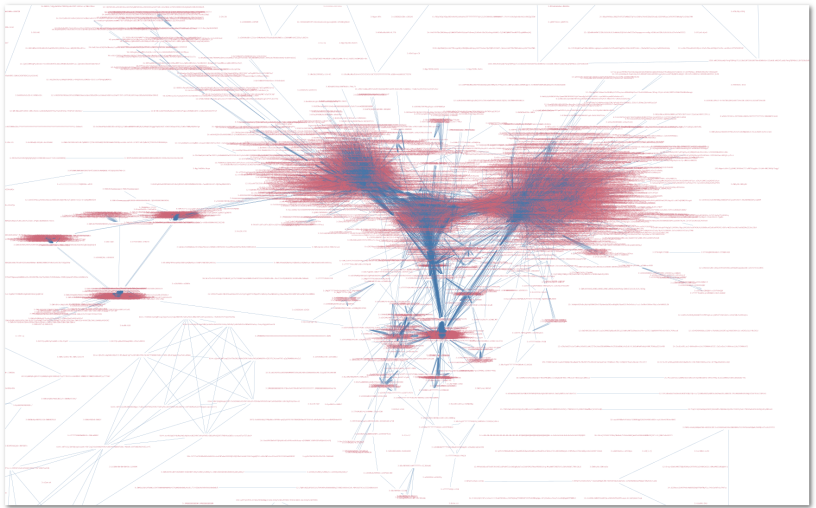
```
3:aabbccddee:ccdd  
3:aabbccdfg:ccde,9  
...  
...
```



```
info:sha256:2dbcs353adef5de...  
ssdeep:ip  
info:filename:198.51.100.2  
sha256:ssdeep  
info:ssdeep:3:aabbccddee:cc...  
sha256:ip
```

prior art: Brian Wallace, ssdeep at scale (2015), <https://github.com/bwall/ssdc>

Results: Botnet strains attacking a honeypot



Results: Left cluster

```
smembers info:ssdeep:3:B2zkdaKoIxJqK4axsdn:WUawBqn
```

```
1) "sha256:f1bd01791c71e0c8e74b8f0e245a4628bb5d90b
```

```
3a67db2d6f1a1749a1ea14d85:
```

```
filename:198.51.100.194"
```

```
select * from attacks1 where ip = '198.51.100.194';
```

```
1|2017-09-07T02:51:12+00:00|sshd|198.51.100.194|root|uClinux
```

```
1|2017-09-07T02:51:14+00:00|sshd|198.51.100.194|root|admintrup
```

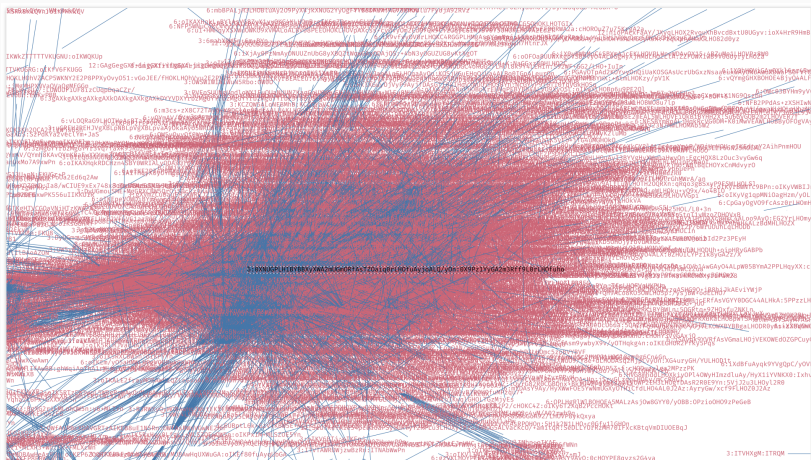
```
1|2017-09-07T02:51:16+00:00|sshd|198.51.100.194|root|admin
```

```
1|2017-09-07T02:51:17+00:00|sshd|198.51.100.194|root|Zte521
```

```
1|2017-09-07T02:51:19+00:00|sshd|198.51.100.194|root|anko
```

```
1|2017-09-07T02:51:22+00:00|sshd|198.51.100.194|root|dreambox
```

Results: Right cluster



Results: Right cluster

```
smembers info:ssdeep:6:0XNUGPLH1BYBBXyXWA2mUGmORfA  
sTZ0aiq0rLH0fuAyjoALQ/yOn:0X9Pz1YyGA2m3Rf  
f9L0rLH0fuho
```

```
1) "sha256:ada3c6cf0d498e93dc4752e3ab76a7aa63bcaa6  
a7137f37996b4eef69486f5d8:  
filename:198.51.100.251"
```

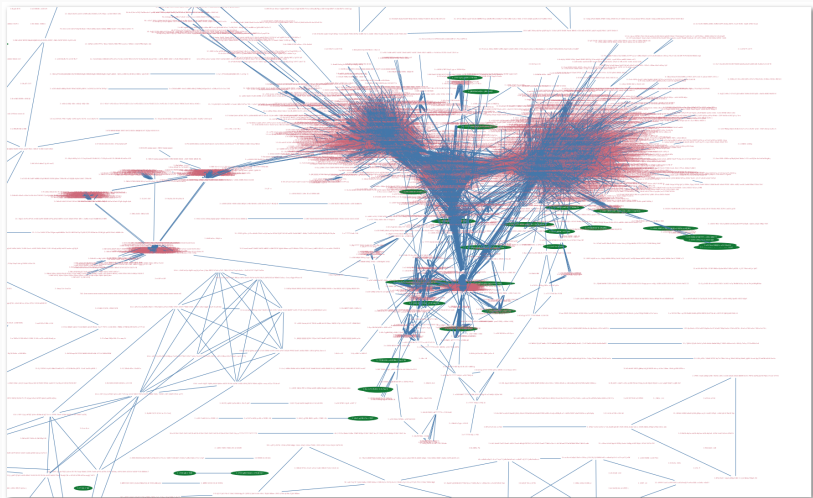
Results: Strains, right cluster (MIRAI?)

```
select * from attacks1 where ip = '198.51.100.251';
1|2017-08-11T19:25:49+00:00|login|198.51.100.251|guest|guest
1|2017-08-11T19:25:53+00:00|login|198.51.100.251|admin|1234
1|2017-08-11T19:26:17+00:00|login|198.51.100.251|1234|enable
1|2017-08-11T19:26:29+00:00|login|198.51.100.251|support|support
1|2017-08-11T19:26:54+00:00|login|198.51.100.251|default|enable
1|2017-08-11T19:27:06+00:00|login|198.51.100.251|guest|12345
1|2017-08-11T19:27:08+00:00|login|198.51.100.251|admin|password
1|2017-08-11T19:27:26+00:00|login|198.51.100.251|admin|Win1doW$
1|2017-08-11T19:27:51+00:00|login|198.51.100.251|12345|enable
1|2017-08-11T19:28:02+00:00|login|198.51.100.251|system|
1|2017-08-11T19:28:24+00:00|login|198.51.100.251||enable
1|2017-08-11T19:28:57+00:00|login|198.51.100.251|admin|enable
1|2017-08-11T19:29:09+00:00|login|198.51.100.251|user|user
1|2017-08-11T19:29:12+00:00|login|198.51.100.251|admin|7ujMko0admin
1|2017-08-11T19:29:37+00:00|login|198.51.100.251|password|enable
1|2017-08-11T19:30:10+00:00|login|198.51.100.251|zlxx.|enable
```

Results: “Hajime” botnet strains

- Hard to detect: evolving/ adapting
- “Hajime” botnet:
`pass='5up' and service='login'`

Results: "Hajime": hiding in plain sight



Results: "Hajime" sample

```
select * from attacks1 where ip = '198.51.100.42';
1|2017-08-05T05:44:26+00:00|login|198.51.100.42|admin|ERRU$
1|2017-08-05T05:44:33+00:00|login|198.51.100.42|osteam|5up
1|2017-08-05T05:44:39+00:00|login|198.51.100.42|admin|adslroot
1|2017-08-05T05:44:47+00:00|login|198.51.100.42|admin|free
1|2017-08-05T05:44:58+00:00|login|198.51.100.42|attack|enable
1|2017-08-05T05:45:03+00:00|login|198.51.100.42|admin|online
1|2017-08-05T05:45:08+00:00|login|198.51.100.42|admin|21232
1|2017-08-05T05:45:13+00:00|login|198.51.100.42|admin|263297
1|2017-08-05T05:45:18+00:00|login|198.51.100.42|user|
1|2017-08-05T05:45:23+00:00|login|198.51.100.42|admin|amvqnekk
```

Ethics

I will abstain from all intentional
wrong-doing and harm.

Whatsoever I shall see or hear I will
never divulge.

Hippocratic Oath, 500-300 BC, paraphrased

- Kill your TV/internet/baby camera
 - Think Brickerbot, perhaps Hajime
- Create my own botnet
 - This trick might already be or might become part of botnet behaviour
- Disclose credentials
 - See the work @GDI_FDN is doing trying to solve recent pastebin dumps
- Steal pictures of/ look at you or your family
 - Your ~~QNAP~~ NAS is probably part of a botnet. So is your baby monitor.

In our current "Cyberwar" model, these might be crimes:

- Investigate infected devices
 - Study infection vectors, mutations, case fatality rates, basic reproductive ratio
- Help individuals with infected devices
 - Similar to what @GDI_FDN does
- Make vendors responsible for weak security
 - Gather evidence to attribute weaknesses to vendors

Next steps

Everybody wants to be a warrior.

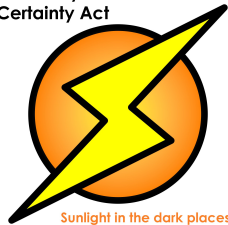
Nobody wants to be a nurse.

Next steps: “Hacking back” law?

(ACDC)

- Establish attribution of an attack
- Disrupt cyberattacks without damaging others’ computers
- Retrieve and destroy stolen files
- Monitor the behavior of an attacker
- Utilize beaconing technology

**Active Cyber Defense
Certainty Act**



Sunlight in the dark places
cyber criminals operate

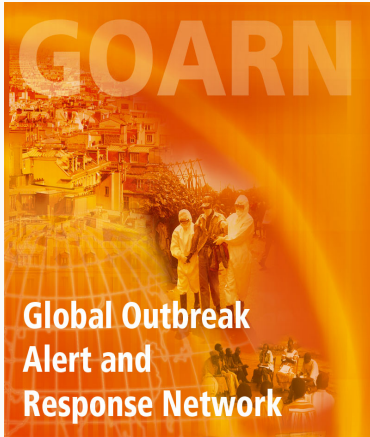
Next steps: Hacking back law (ACDC)

- “Active Cyber Defense Certainty Act”. Really?
- Again completely ignores the victims and causes

Please note the aggressive language:

“I also hope it spurs a new generation of tools and methods to level the lopsided cyber battlefield”

Rep. Tom Graves (R)



Technical expertise

On the ground where needed

Collaboration of existing institutions and networks

Constantly alert and ready to respond



**World Health
Organization**

Next steps: Shortlist

- Care for those infected
- Study global cyber issues as systemic diseases

(And also)

- Fix bugs
- Add support for more protocols
- Match device types to infections

It is not a Cyberwar out there.
It is a Cyberpandemic.

@avako @avako
at moment just before you sit down and try a hideous hack (Tech Model Railroad Club analogy) you've been chewing over.

@avako @avako
Dear lazyweb, is there a universal way telnet client to diff. between a successful/unsuccessful login, besides command execution?

@avako @avako
By the gods, telnet is <insert ugly words describing something completely insane>.
AYT?
Id rather not be...
Are You There (AYT)
Many systems provide a fun command visible (e.g., printal still up and running. This when the system is unexpect because of the unanticipated computation, an unusually large representation fo

@avako @avako
Costing me too much sleep, but the first step is done.
Many more steps to before randori is ready, but all bots are welcome until then.

@avako @avako
First impression, but for all the hype about IoT botnets and telnet as a vector, I'm a little disappointed at the # of sources & attempts :/

@avako @avako
ing, testing, one-two. Is this thing on?"
enable 0d08ba28e4f6e45229209e4797086200
#32xv enable 0d08ba28e4f6e45229209e4797086200
123456 enable 0d08ba28e4f6e45229209e4797086200
admin 1234 0d08ba28e4f6e45229209e4797086200
12345 enable 0d08ba28e4f6e45229209e4797086200
support support 0d08ba28e4f6e45229209e4797086200
guest 12345 0d08ba28e4f6e45229209e4797086200
admin admin 0d08ba28e4f6e45229209e4797086200
de fault 0d08ba28e4f6e45229209e4797086200
guest admin 0d08ba28e4f6e45229209e4797086200
user user 0d08ba28e4f6e45229209e4797086200

@avako @avako
Your system attacking my system has this instead of telnetd 🐼
It's like a jungle sometimes it makes we wonder how I keep from going under.
Your device has been infected by @SECURELAB / Linux-ATMega
We have no intent of allowing your device to have your primary for any use
Telnet and other features have been closed to avoid further infection of your device. Please disable telnet, change root:admin password, and/or update the firmware.
This software can be removed by reformatting your device, but before you take any action to secure it, it will be released again by @SECURELAB, or our security partners.
This release should fix the issue. The source code currently available at https://github.com/securelab/linx-atmega which can be used to build the device.

@avako @avako
top working passwords:
43:root:oeLinux123
51:root:1234
60:root:admin
162:admin:admin
387:root:root
oeLinux123 = 4G WIFI. Also: IoT scanbot.



@avako @avako
The first telnet attacks I'm monitoring come from Eastern Europe (RS). Wondering which device says: "The connect number is limited?"

@avako @avako
Open for business... :)}
11:20 PM - 25 Jul 2017

@avako @avako
really have to cater to those spoiled bots... so, how weak are IoT SSH services/private suites etc. to be so easily and by lame malware?

@avako @avako
Talk accepted by @hack_hic 'ol
Nerves kicking in in 3..2..1.. 0_o
1:51 PM - 26 Aug 2017
4 Retweets 18 Likes

@avako @avako
Considering a dirty, dirty, filthy hack: Likely evil user input into a shellscript as root? no PAM support. This can't be 2017, right?



@avako @avako
Not sure yet what to make of this. These are bots attacking a honeypot. Group/links=similarity (sdscdf of ssh client & bruteforce pattern.

@avako @avako
Oops... My bad.
I could have seen that one coming:
11:20 PM - 25 Jul 2017



@avako @avako
Hm. Many Dropbear SSH daemons out there think /bin/false prevents unwanted access and abuse. Apparently forgot about port forwarding :/

@avako @avako
Hey everybody, does anyone know a free Linux VNC server which supports PAM_RHOST? TigerVNC's pam support only passes username & password. :/

@avako @avako
Made an SQL mistake, had to redo everything for my task :/ :)
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