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Advanced topics in DNS Administration

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- PAM (part of Linux System Administration tutorial)
- Cfengine (workshop)

Pluggable Authentication Modules



Is for example login program using PAM?

```
$ ldd /bin/login
....
libpam.so.0 => /lib/libpam.so.0 (0x40050000)
libpam\_misc.so.0 => /lib/libpam\_misc.so.0 (0x4005c000)
....
```


PAM modules are shared libs



`/lib/security` (Linux - RedHat)

`/usr/lib/security` (Solaris)

`/etc/pam.conf` (Solaris)

`/etc/pam.d/<service>` (Linux - RedHat)

example:

`/etc/pam.d/login`

```
auth    required /lib/security/pam_unix_auth.so
account required /lib/security/pam_unix_account.so
password required /lib/security/pam_unix_passwd.so
session required /lib/security/pam_unix_session.so
```

= Normal unix-like login

Extra Modules example 1



/etc/pam.d/login

```
auth          required      /lib/security/pam_unix_auth.so
auth          required      /lib/security/pam_nologin.so
account       required      /lib/security/pam_unix_account.so
password      required      /lib/security/pam_unix_passwd.so
session       required      /lib/security/pam_unix_session.so
```

If /etc/nologin exists only root is allowed to login, all users and root are shown the contents of /etc/nologin.

Extra Modules example 2



/etc/pam.d/passwd

```
auth      required /lib/security/pam_unix_auth.so likeauth nullok
account  required /lib/security/pam_unix_account.so
password required /lib/security/pam_cracklib.so retry=3
password required /lib/security/pam_unix_passwd.so nullok use_auth
session  required /lib/security/pam_unix_session.so
```

Only when cracklib can't crack the new user-password the user password is changed.
Other 'interesting' possibility: ldap-module

Cfengine



What is cfengine:

- Agent based configuration and maintenance
- Minimal user intervention
- Predictable, convergent behavior
- Keep things simple

Cfengine



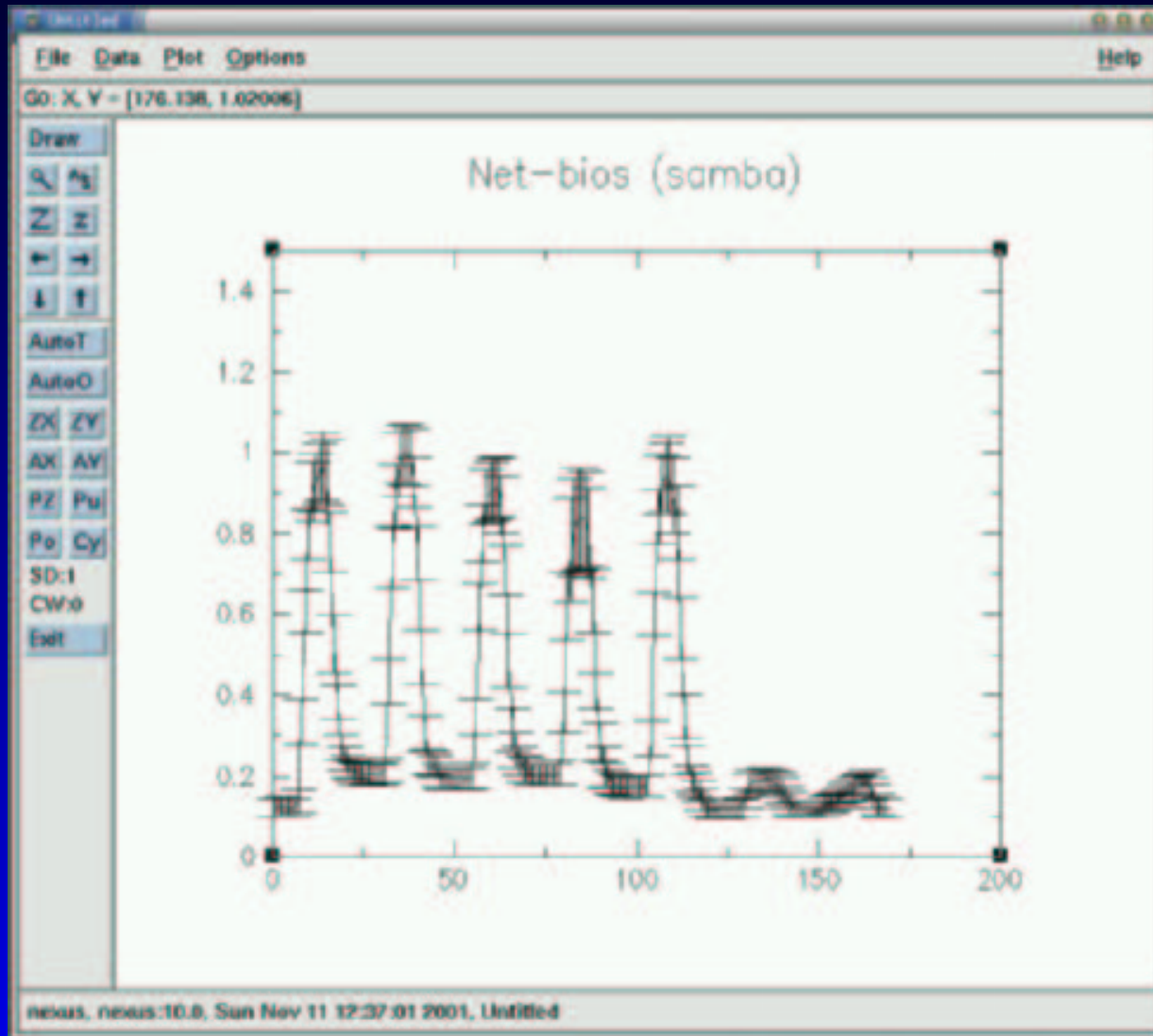
- New version 2.0 "almost there"(cfengine-2.0a16)
- Name changes of program and daemons
- New: Environment Daemon
- Gaming engine

Environment daemon 1



- Collects compressed statistics over months
- Just a few MB of data!
- Average and std-dev
- Sets classes and variables

Environment daemon 2



Environment daemon 3



- Paper and Lecture:
 - Simulation of User-Driven Computer Behavior
- Simulation of users using 8 different kind of user parameters.
- Output is number of processes running
- Use Real-life data to get correct parameter values (from environment daemon cfengine)
- Change parameter values of simulation to see "what happens if..."

Gaming engine 1



- Strategies (random)
- Probabilistic classes

```
strategies:
```

```
    OnTheHour::
```

```
        { spread_load
```

```
            percent_10: "1"      # 1/10
```

```
            percent_30: "3"      # 3/10
```

```
            percent_60: "6"      # 6/10
```

```
        }
```

Gaming engine 2



- Paper and Lecture:
 - Scheduling Partially Ordered Events in a Randomized Framework
- Conclusions:
 - Randomized schedules are more efficient
 - Difficult to identify the model = difficult to make predictions
- (security?)

Questions



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- See also:

PAM:

<http://www.us.kernel.org/pub/linux/libs/pam/>

<http://www.sun.com/solaris/pam/>

Cfengine:

<http://www.cfengine.org>

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Using Cryptography and
Authentication for
Mail Transport and Sendmail

Waarom authenticatie



- Waarom authenticatie voor versturen van mail?
- Misbruik van de mailserver als spamrelay
- MUA's (Mail User Agents) en MTA's (Mail Transfer Agents) moeten zich authenticeren bij de MTA voor doorsturen van mail.

Authentication



- Voor sendmail bestaat er vanaf versie 8.10 de AUTH extensie. (RFC 2554 "SMTP Service Extension for Authentication")
- Om dit te bereiken gebruikt Sendmail de SASL library. ("Simple Authentication and Security Layer").

SASL terminologie



- userid (authorization-id). Definieert permissies.
- authid (authenticatie-id). Definieert credentials.
- realm. Een groep users of systemen die binnen een zelfde authenticatie omgeving vallen.
- mechanism. Het authenticatie mechanisme wat gebruikt wordt.

SASL authenticatie



- KERBEROS_V4, Kerberos 5 (GSSAPI)
- PLAIN
- Shared secret (CRAM-MD5 en DIGEST-MD5)
Opgeslagen in /etc/sasldb.db

Installatie Sendmail + SASL



- FreeBSD: sendmail-sasl, cyrus-sasl
- Debian/GNU Linux: sendmail, libsasl7, sasl-bin, libsasl-digestmd5

Configuratie SASL



- Via `/usr/lib/sasl/appname.conf` (bv. `Sendmail.conf`)
- Beschikbare opties:
- `pwcheck_method` (`passwd`, `shadow`, `kerberos_v4`, `pam`, `sasldb`, `pwcheck`, `mysql`, `ldap`) (Voor PLAIN authenticatie)
- `auto_transition`. Als een client met PLAIN inlogt, voeg toe aan `sasldb`.
- `srvtab`. Kerberos 4 keys.
- Aanmaken `/etc/sasldb.db`. Via `saslpasswd` commando.

Overzicht users



Overzicht users in /etc/sasldb.db

```
# sasldblistusers
user: jan    realm: mta-server mech: PLAIN
user: piet  realm: mta-server mech: DIGEST-MD5
user: klaas realm: mta-server mech: DIGEST-MD5
user: piet  realm: mta-server mech: PLAIN
user: piet  realm: mta-server mech: CRAM-MD5
user: klaas realm: mta-server mech: PLAIN
user: klaas realm: mta-server mech: CRAM-MD5
user: jan   realm: mta-server mech: CRAM-MD5
user: jan   realm: mta-server mech: DIGEST-MD5
```

Aanzetten AUTH in Sendmail



```
define('confAUTH_MECHANISMS',  
      'DIGEST-MD5 CRAM-MD5')
```

```
TRUST_AUTH_MECH('DIGEST-MD5')
```

Controleren AUTH



Telnet naar poort 25 van de mailserver.

Geef 'ehlo' (Extended Hello) commando:

```
220 mta-server.mail.nl ESMTP Sendmail 8.12.1/8.12.1; Tue, 5 Feb 2002 21:08:42 +0100 (CET)
```

```
ehlo client
```

```
250-mta-server.mail.nl Hello klaas@client.mail.nl [192.168.0.2], pleased to meet you
```

```
250-ENHANCEDSTATUSCODES
```

```
250-PIPELINING
```

```
250-8BITMIME
```

```
250-SIZE
```

```
250-DSN
```

```
250-ETRN
```

```
250-AUTH DIGEST-MD5 CRAM-MD5 PLAIN
```

```
250-DELIVERBY
```

```
250 HELP
```

AUTH activeren (client)



Via de access map.

```
FEATURE(access_db, 'hash -T<TMPF>  
/etc/mail/access')
```

```
AuthInfo:mta-server.mail.nl "U:klaasP:password  
R:mta-server" "M:DIGEST-MD5"
```

Opletten, juiste realm gebruiken.

Voor de access map: `makemap hash access < access`

Client ondersteuning



Veel mail clients gebruiken een lege realm
(Netscape/Eudora)

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Topics in UNIX and Linux System Administration

Policy and Politics

Types of Policies and Procedures



- User Policies
- SysAdmin Policies
- Emergencies
- Security Policies
- Hiring and Firing

User Policies



- Logins
- Acceptable
- Software
- Email
- Hacking

User Policy – Logins 1



- Who gets a login
 - Who decides
 - What happens when they leave
- Password Policy
 - Password Ageing
 - Teach your users to use good passwords
- Remote access
 - ssh only
 - telnet/ftp allowed ?
 - imap/pop without security allowed?

User Policy – Logins 2



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 - "root" is a groups account

User Policy – Acceptable Use



- Personal email OK?
- Web OK
 - Browsing for fun
 - Work use only
- Hacking
 - Cracking passwords
 - Breaking into other machines
 - Disrupting Service
- What are the consequences of violating the acceptable use policy

User Policy – Software



- Supported vs. Unsupported
- Very hard to police
 - Especially on desktop systems
 - Requires a software audit to see what's there:
Hmm, we paid for 3 copies of Reflection but we seem to have it installed on 300 machines

User Policies – Email



- SPAM
 - Incoming; Filter at mail gateway, let users filter for themselves
 - Outgoing; A problem for ISP's
- Attachment and viruses
 - Instructions to users not to open attachments from strangers (Just doesn't work)
 - Filter attachments and refuse them at mail gateway. Types .vba .dot .exe .com .reg are suspect Return mail with message saying why you rejected it

System Administrator Policies 1



- Sysadmin policy – root access
- Need "su" to do their job
- Allows access to all data
 - Allows access to log files and accounting data that might record inappropriate use
- sudo, super, run as alternatives to "su" or logging in as root

System Administrator Policies 2



- Limited "su" via sudo program from University of Colorado
 - ftp from ftp.cs.colorado.edu in pub/sysadmin/utilities
 - Allows fine grain control of root privileges:
 - 1 per user
 - 2 per host
 - 3 per command and its arguments
 - Logs all uses via syslog

System Administrator Policies 3



- Backups
 - Often data IS the company's assets where are backup tapes stored safe from physical harm, flood, earthquake, fire etc safe from malicious harm, disgruntled employee, competitor, terrorists
- Purchasing Policies
 - Are sysadmins involved in the purchasing process
 - They need to be with a veto power
 - List of supported hardware/software
 - End of life policy
- Maintenance Policy
 - Vendor contracts or third party maintenance

Emergencies 1



- Catastrophe vs. attack vs. sysadmin on vacation
- Offline Documentation
 - Telephone numbers: Staff Hardware support
Software support CERT – Computer
Emergency Response Team
 - Machine Configurations Disk partitions Boot
procedures Locations
 - Backups Location of backup tapes Dump
sequence, dump dates

Emergencies 2



- Backup/failover machines, data centers
 - WTC disaster tested everyones Y2K preparations
 - Mostly worked fine
 - Example: Morgan Stanley's data center was in WTC. Backup 10 miles away Failed over fine, a bit of trouble keeping up with volume once market opened
- In real emergency sysadmins must have dictorial powers
 - to shut down machines
 - To disconnect from networks
 - To kill running programms

Emergencies 3



- Who is in charge
 - Need chain of command, known and agreed to before emergency occurs
 - Dealing with media; Don't especially if emergency is occurring in real time Good job for a boss type person
- What is an emergency
 - Definition depends on your site
 - Usually includes:
 - 1 Threat to data stored at site
 - 2 Unauthorized use of computing resources at site
 - 3 Impersonating your site
 - Natural disasters

Security Policy/Procedures



- Everyday hygiene
 - All accounts with passwords
 - Run security monitoring tools (cops, tripwire, snort)
 - Actually read reports they generate
 - Monitor machines that have network packet filters installed very carefully
- Don't assume that a firewall at your router will protect you
 - Make each hosts secure, shutdown services
 - Use good password programm
 - Remove inactive accounts
 - Don't allow guest accounts with no password or password "guest"

Hiring, Firing, Training



- Who to hire
 - Experienced sysadmins
 - Beginners and grow them
- Evaluation schemes
 - Self evaluation, scale 1 (never heard of it) to scale 5 (could teach it)
 - technical evaluation
 - Include bogus questions
- Listen very carefully to former employers and other references
- Fire early, during initial trial period if possible – it's easy then