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# Recent Advances in Bro Intrusion Detection System

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# What is input framework

- Framework for importing data
  - Adaptable to different sources
    - digest any kind of data feed
  - Simple, yet flexible user interface
    - allows you to manipulate data line by line eg.  
<http://www.badurl.co.cc/baddir/badexe.jpg>

# Input framework

- Asynchronous operation
- Real-time operation
  - Handles 50,000 events/sec with increase in system load levels of .2%
  - updates and deletes from data files will get propagated to the right tables automatically
- Data processing outside of main thread
- Injection interleaved with packet processing
- Already deployed and being used

# 1: Input Framework - Leveraging the intelligence from the Community

## Integrating Feeds from

- DoE CIRC, REN-ISAC (CIF), IID
  - IP address
  - Host names
  - URLs
  - MD5
  - Subject
  - Attachment
  - Sender
  - From
  - To (Mail\_to, Reply\_to)

# Input-Framework -> Intel-Framework

Date: Sat, 20 Oct 2012 08:50:01 -0700 (PDT)

From: Big Brother <bro@bro.lbl.gov>

To: alert@lbl.gov

Subject: [IR (stomp) deep-bro] **Intel::SMTP\_Malicious\_Mailto**

Message: Malicious to:: [indicator=info@info.com,  
description=/cpp/tippers/JC3-689315-Federal-Tax-Phish/mail], info@info.com

Sub-message: info@info.com

Connection: 198.63.37.121:62484 -> 128.3.41.120:25

Connection uid: **7gw6BLZZNQb**

Email Extensions

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orig/src hostname: bananabusaruba.com

resp/dst hostname: mailgate.lbl.gov

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[Automatically generated]

# More details

Oct 20 08:49:55 7gw6BLZZNQb 198.63.37.121 62484 128.3.41.120 25  
1 bananabuseruba.com <test@bananabuseruba.com>  
<JOHNDOE@lbl.gov> Sat, 20 Oct 2012 15:49:53 +0000 "Mrs. Safia  
Farkash Gaddafi" <test@bananabuseruba.com> info@info.com  
mrssafiagaddafi2011libya@yahoo.com.ph

<20121020154954.66309.qmail@bananabuseruba.com> - From Mrs. Safia  
Farkash Gaddafi.... - (qmail 66310 invoked by uid 9593); 20 Oct 2012  
15:49:54 -0000 - 250 ok: Message 88725239 accepted  
128.3.41.120,198.63.37.121 MIME::Lite 3.0104 (F2.72; T1.15; A1.47; B3.01;  
Q3.01) F



# Input-Framework -> Intel-Framework

From: Big Brother <bro@stomp.lbl.gov>

Subject: [IR (stomp) deep-bro] **Intel::JC3\_SensitiveDNS\_Lookup**

To: alerts@lbl.gov

Message: [host\_host=XXXXXXXX.cloudfront.net, host\_added=2012-09-21 21:11:02, host\_updated=2012-09-21 21:15:39, indicator\_active=Yes, indicator\_added=2012-09-21 21:11:02, indicator\_changed=0000-00-00 00:00:00, indicator\_removed=0000-00-00 00:00:00, indicator\_state=block\_and\_report, threat\_level=<uninitialized>, indicator\_source=circ\_\_jc3circ\_soc\_\_manual\_entry] XXXXXXXX

Sub-message: d1ros97qkrwjf5.cloudfront.net

Connection: XXXXXXXXXXXX:64708 -> 128.3.34.186:53

Connection uid: lsbX50qvxg7

Email Extensions

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orig/src hostname: XXXXXXXXX-xp.dhcp.lbl.gov

resp/dst hostname: ns1.lbl.gov

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[Automatically generated]

# Input-Framework -> Intel-Framework

Oct 22 23:17:31 zePVN7xbtY8 2001:400:613:18::b5d 63687  
2620:83:8000:140::3 53 udp Intel::JC3\_SensitiveDNS\_Lookup

[host\_host=beacon-1.newrelic.com, host\_added=2012-09-21 21:11:02,  
host\_updated=2012-09-21 21:15:39, indicator\_active=Yes,  
indicator\_added=2012-09-21 21:11:02, indicator\_changed=0000-00-00  
00:00:00, indicator\_removed=0000-00-00 00:00:00,  
indicator\_state=block\_and\_report, threat\_level=<uninitialized>,  
indicator\_source=circ\_\_jc3circ\_soc\_\_manual\_entry]

# Software framework

```
redef Software::vulnerable_versions += {  
  ["Flash"] = [$major=11,$minor=4,$minor2=402,$addl="264"],  
  ["Java"] = [$major=1,$minor=6,$minor2=0,$addl="34"],  
  ["adobe_reader"] [$major=9,$minor=4,$minor2=6,$addl=""],  
};
```

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PHP, Wordpress, Mail clients, Android\*, Apache...  
(862 Unique applications identified with precise  
versions in today's logs)

**Spear phishing: Looking for the targeted stuff**

# Spear phishing: Looking for the targeted stuff

- Came across: [www.malware-tracker.com](http://www.malware-tracker.com)
- Ran some of the embedded pdf's and word documents collected over a period of time against it
- Needed some engineering to address volumes
  - python script - multiple buckets for clean, suspicious, infected
- At-least two new signatures issued by sophos after detection

# Sample spear phish

Rating: EXPLOIT :1 MALWARE :1 SEVERITY :30 HITS :0 HAS\_EXE :1

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Time: 1342007556.302290

From: <agulbra@nvg.unit.no>

To: <JOHNDOE@lbl.gov>

when\_ts Wed, 11 Jul 2012 12:52:38 +0100

**Subject: Re: Is that your document?**

1342007557.718325 fPUHmL6ke86 212.58.56.90 64369 128.3.x.x 25 1 **part6.zip**  
29832 application/zip **bb19060fde6e92bfaf5c585e56e3cb8e**

**/home/users/bro/extract/smtp-entity\_212.58.56.90:64369-128.3.x.x:25\_1.dat** (empty)

1342007556.302290 fPUHmL6ke86 212.58.56.90 64369 128.3.x.x 25 1 lbl.gov  
<agulbra@nvg.unit.no> <johndoe@lbl.gov> Wed, 11 Jul 2012 12:52:38 +0100 agulbra@nvg.unit.no  
johndoe@lbl.gov -

- - Re: Is that your document? - - - 250 ok: Message 80405646 accepted  
128.3.41.146,212.58.56.90

**IPv6**

# IPv6 monitoring

- LBL has Production wireless on IPv6
  - (LBLnet service, ACS, cluster on border
- Ability to monitor IPv6 traffic
  - http, dns smtp irc, ftp, ....
- Monitor IPv6 headers
- ICMPv6
  - icmp\_router\_solicitation, icmp\_router\_advertisement, icmp\_neighbor\_solicitation, icmp\_neighbor\_advertisement, icmp\_redirect
- Constantly developing for for new attacks/trends and capabilities



# 4: IPV6 - Trying to find unknowns

- IP/mac address binding for dhcp jailing
  - ISC - yes, no, ummm, nah, not really, may be ....
- Tracker Ticket #833 extract the mac-address from the ICMPV6 using events
  - icmp\_neighbor\_advertisement
  - icmp\_neighbor\_solicitation
- Alerts on attacks on ICMPv6 protocol eg.
  - Rogue routers for fake router advertisements, build neighbor caches
  - Proactive response where a rogue RA results in another packet injected with lifetime of 0

# **Tunnel Decapsulation**

# Decapsulating tunnels via new tunnel framework

- Currently monitor
  - Teredo, AYIYA, IP-in-IP (both IPv4 and IPv6), and SOCKS
- Logs the outer tunnel connections are in both conn.log and tunnel.log,
- Proceed to analyze the inner payload as if it were not tunneled, while maintaining a new tunnel\_parents column pointing back to the outer connection(s)

Tunnel.log:

Oct 22 23:59:59 **iqQAPRcFG37** 206.238.131.210 11437  
131.243.168.204 65535 Tunnel::TEREDO Tunnel::CLOSE

Connections:

Child:

Oct 22 23:58:59 YEUXT7vEmzl  
2001:0:519d:e224:4db2:d352:3111:7c2d 3104  
2002:7c0c:5733::7c0c:5733 11447 udp **iqQAPRcFG37**  
worker-2

Parent: Oct 22 23:58:59 **iqQAPRcFG37** 206.238.131.210  
11437 131.243.168.204 65535 udp teredo 0.009993  
worker-2

# **Instrumented SSH**

# Instrumented SSH

- Keystrokes entered and responses sent with this version of SSHd is sent for analysis to Bro.
  - Sensitive information, such as passwords, is filtered out.
- Using various signatures, some complex and some fairly simple, Bro is able to alert us when an account appears compromised.
- Furthermore, once a compromise is confirmed, the logs from this version of SSH will help us determine the extent of the compromise and what, precisely, the intruder did.
- Code available at: <http://code.google.com/p/auditing-sshd/>

# **SSL Analysis**

# SSL Analysis

- Certificate extraction.
- Very flexible certificate validation.
- Full protocol parsing.
- Identification on any port.
- Support for SSL 2.0 - TLS 2.1
- Flag on things like
  - certificate has expired
  - self signed certificate
  - self signed certificate in certificate chain
  - unable to get local issuer certificate

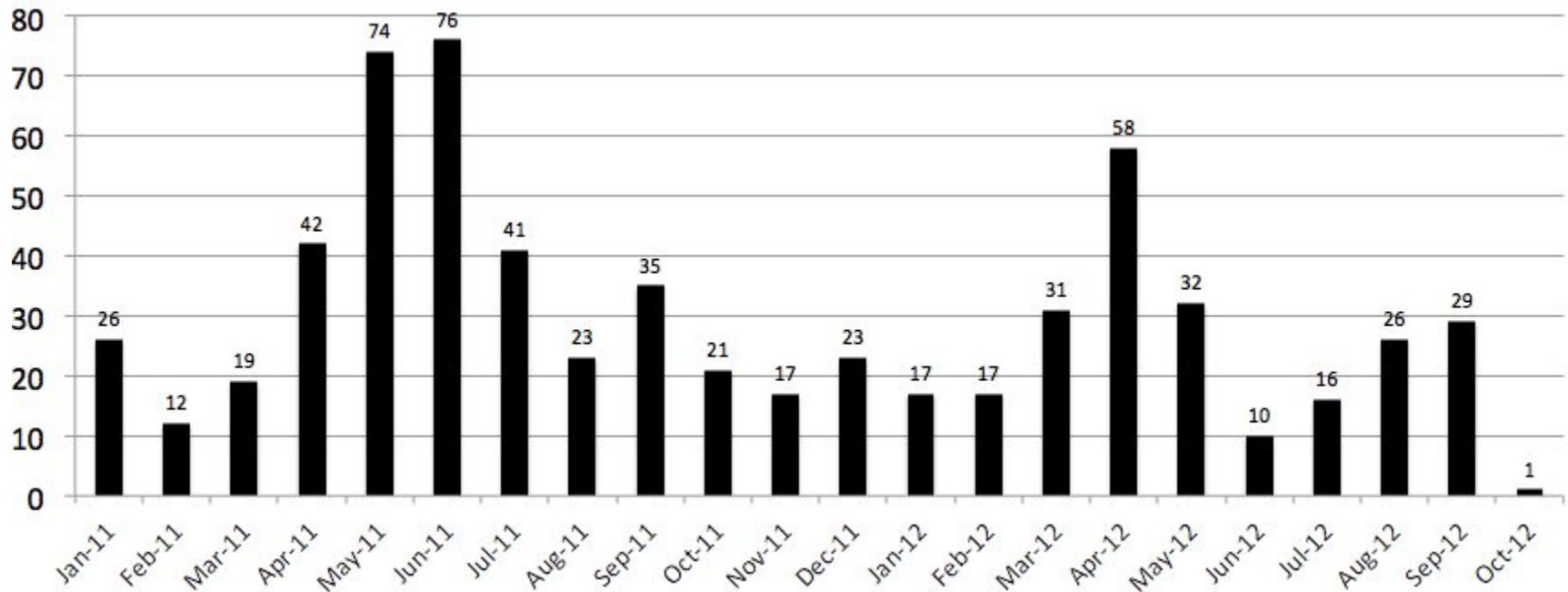


# **Vulnerability Detection**

# Bro software framework

- Know what software is running on your network
- Use this to prioritize your patching and vulnerability management
  - Java
  - Flash

# Drive-by-download infections



Aggressive patching and additional Influence of external factors:

- Google taking down various domains,
- New version of flash with auto-updates,
- Active blocking, RPZ of malicious domains etc

# Example

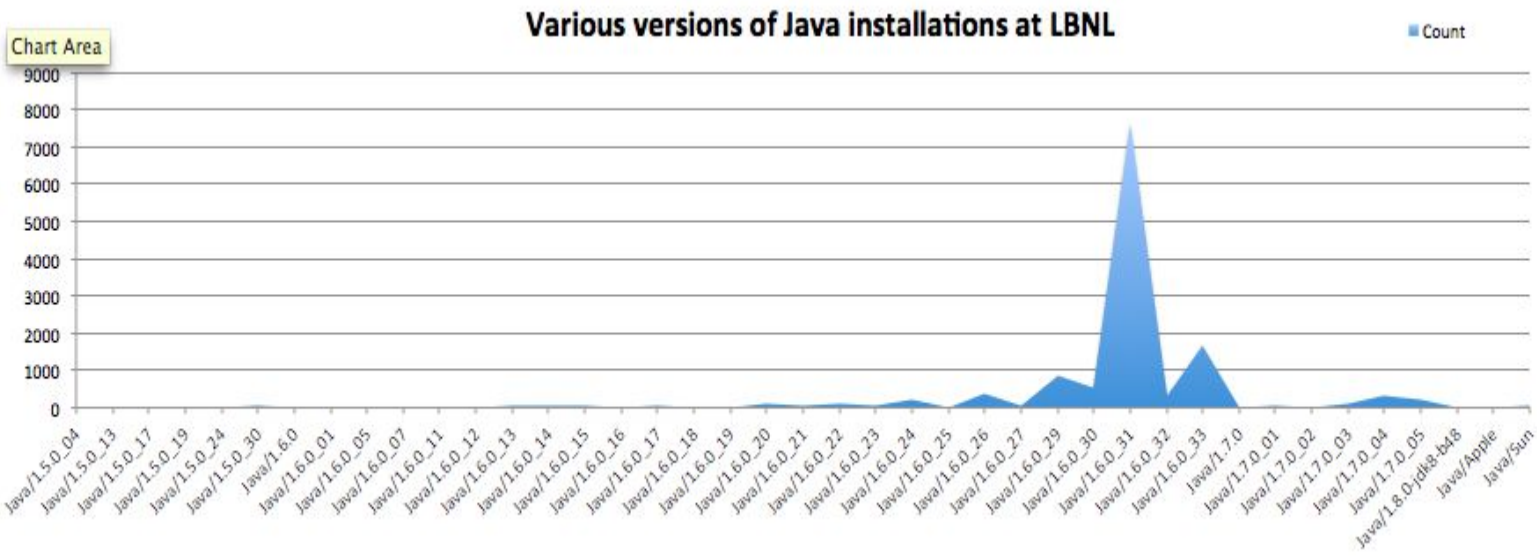
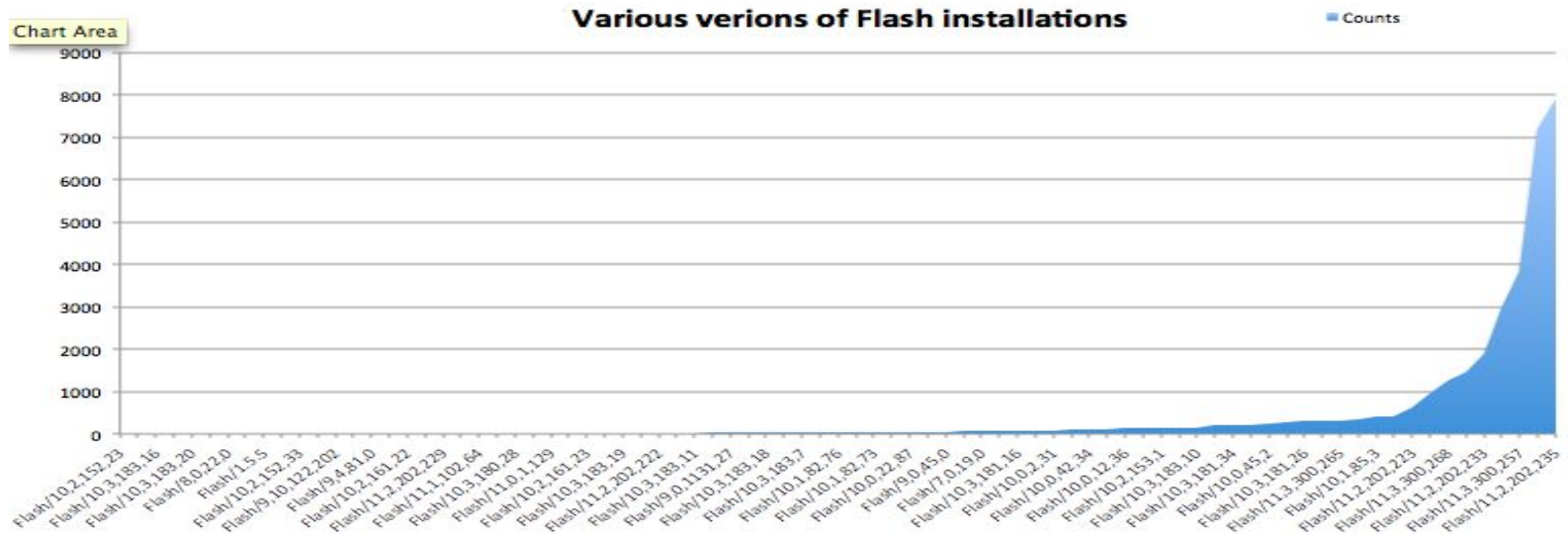
Oct 23 09:29:48

Software::Vulnerable\_Version vulnerable: Flash  
10.3.183-18 user\_agent: Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 7.0;  
Windows NT 6.1; WOW64; Trident/5.0; SLCC2; .NET CLR  
2.0.50727; .NET CLR 3.5.30729; .NET CLR 3.0.30729;  
.NET4.0C; .NET4.0E; NP06; InfoPath.2) -  
128.3.182.219

Oct 23 07:41:18

Software::Vulnerable\_Version vulnerable: Java 1.6.0-31  
user\_agent: Java/1.6.0\_31

# Java and Flash installations

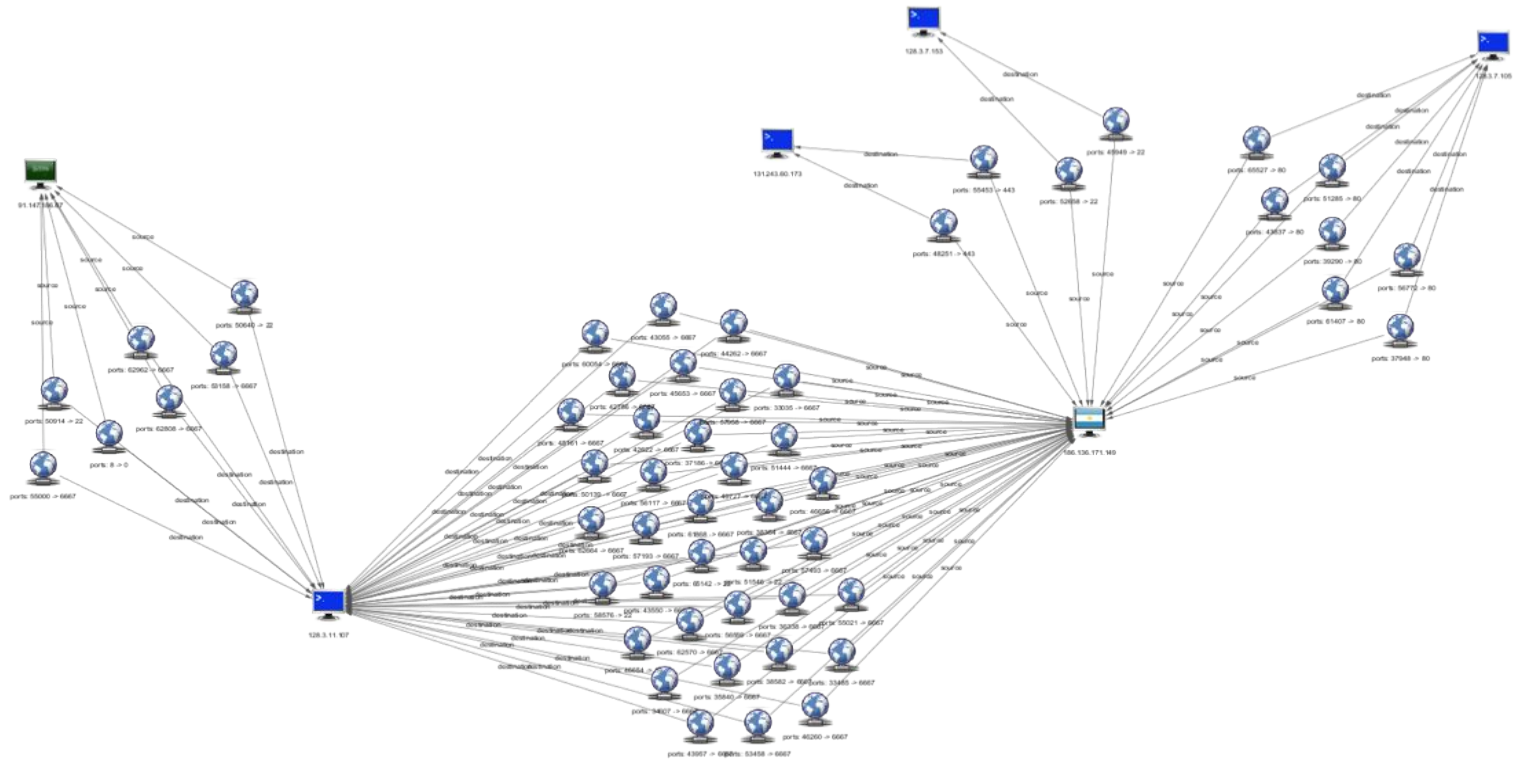


# syslog2bro

- Block bruteforce SSH scanner on border
- Slightly more sophisticated attackers use a botnet where they would try one account per host/ip
- feed syslog data to bro - let it make correlations and initial drops
- Bro-2.0 has limited (udp) capability to sniff syslog on the wire - eliminating the need to feed it syslog

**Got data, now what ?**

# 7. Lynxeon - visual analysis of Bro



Built-in Analytics +

Timeline +

Connection graphs +

Scriptable - similar to the bro policy + -

Bro policies work on the wire, While lynxeon provides a capability to run the policy on the logs



# 8. Searching bro logs

Goal, search 6 months in < 10 sec

- **fgrep**
  - 30+ mins - 2 hours
- **GNU parallel - try it +++**
  - 2-10 mins
- **Hadoop - Fail**
- **Oracle database - Fail**
- **Biggest fastest disk array - Fail**
- **SSD - Fail**

# Searching bro logs

- Google BigQuery
  - < 10s
  - Presently 10 billion conn logs (6 months)
- Problems
  - new columns in the table ? Reindex ?
  - Multiple-Columns, inner-join/outer-join ?
- Pricing
  - woha! I just ran a \$22,143.99 query ?

# 100 Gb Roadmap

- Using bro cluster approach - solved problem
- Break 100Gb into multiple 10Gb feeds
- Exploring tapping infrastructure capabilities
  
- Various questions
  - Time machine ?
  - Identify & subsequently ignore very large "big data" transfers or subnets.

# Internal Bro cluster

Q: Can we cluster Bro inside of the network

A: Yes

Q: Can we run bro on every subnet?

A: Ummm

Q: How about at-least the important subjects

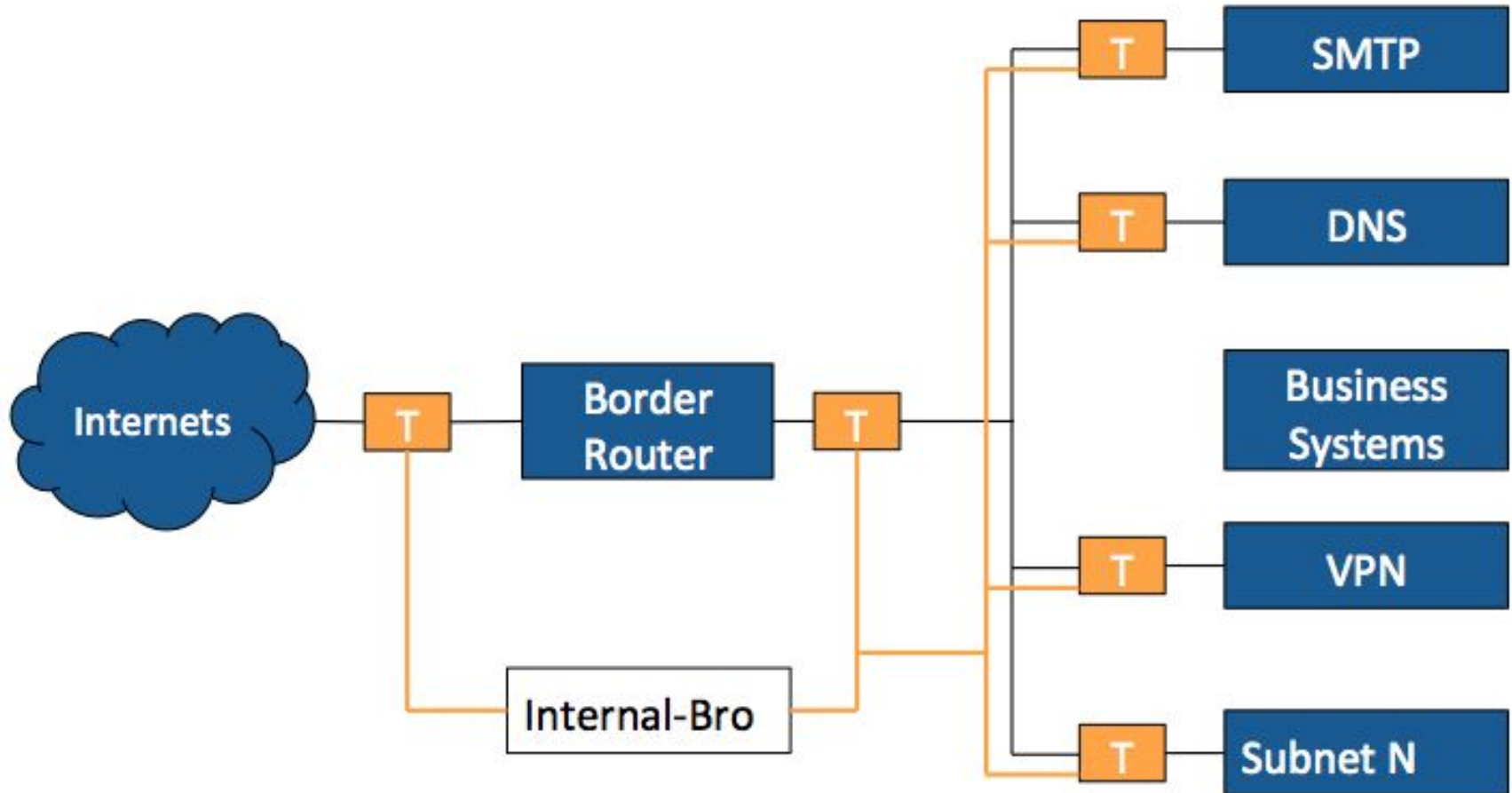
A: Yes

Pilot: convert the ~4 subnet Bro to become part of a cluster

Initially watching 4 subnets but target is to expand to another 12 subnets this FY

Good defense-in-depth strategy.

# Internal Bro



# Questions