

Profiling Encrypted Network Traffic

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Visibility. Is. Crucial.

Activity Profiles

What should you be looking for in encrypted network traffic

Benign

Keep sensitive data secure (e.g. web sessions, email, data transactions)

Malicious

- C2/Data exfiltration
- Hiding of exploit delivery
- Phishing email delivery/reception

Policy

Sites/activity that aren't malicious, but pose risk to the business (HR, etc...)

Unknown

Fertile hunting grounds





Technology Overview

#TechGoals

Data

Choose your own adventure

Process Data

- Executable that spawned the process
- IPs/hosts the process is connecting to
- Hash of the executable

Network Data

- Source/destination IPs
- Monitor SSL/encrypted traffic

Signatures for Matching

Need to consolidate protocol properties to an easily defined signature



Process Data

Carbon Black

Behavioral detection

Detects applications doing things like scraping memory, key logging, spawning shells, etc.

Process and binary search of centralized data

Hash and behavior based

Process based network activity

Live Response remediation

- Allows for host isolation
- Allows you to have a terminal shell on the host to kill process, add or delete files, perform mem dumps, etc.



Carbon Black Data

```
{ [-]
   cb server: cbserver
   child_pid: 11389
   child_process_guid: 00002cbb-0000-2c7d-01d5-63281beef976
   child_suppressed: false
   childproc_type: Exec
   computer_name:
   created: false
   event_type: childproc
   md5: 0E7E5C20005BD91119F505156D0AEC6C
   parent_guid: -8740844468342649000
   path: /usr/bin/egrep
   pid: 11387
   process_guid: 00002cbb-0000-2c7b-01d5-63281bedf3c8
   sensor_id: 11451
   sha256: D8B73C8D876DFD32D0CE9AA3498B68FE8AB1DA3FA622A557018FBF55DEAA89A6
   tamper: false
   tamper_sent: false
   timestamp: 1567605201.0951192
   type: ingress.event.childproc
Show as raw text
```

```
{ [-]
  cb_server: cbserver
   computer_name:
  direction: outbound
   domain: gearssdk.opswat.com
   event_type: netconn
   local_ip:
   local_port: 0
   md5: B7E4BB821E860122F4ABB5F3D615C786
   pid: 49822
   process_guid: 00000b23-0000-c29e-01d5-63187dcefc14
  protocol: 17
   proxy: false
   remote_ip:
   remote_port: 22263
   sensor_id: 2851
   sha256: A63A2B22DC0B9C8A5C707B630467EC9187AA0217EED6929B7247FEC264D4144F
   timestamp: 1567605445.1196406
   type: ingress.event.netconn
```



Network Activity

Zeek (formerly Bro)

Open Source Network Monitoring tool

Passive IDS

Can leverage various types of signatures

Scriptable

Extend network monitoring capability

Logs everything that it sees allowing for forensics

- Common protocols: HTTP, SSL, SMTP, SSH, etc...
- Logs can be sent to Splunk



{ [-] conn_state: SF duration: 0.548862 history: ShADadFfR id.orig_h: 172 id.orig_p: 50252 id.resp_h: 50 id.resp_p: 54443 local_orig: true local_resp: false missed_bytes: 0 orig_bytes: 2406 orig_ip_bytes: 3330 orig_pkts: 18 proto: tcp resp_bytes: 6163 resp_ip_bytes: 6899 resp_pkts: 14 service: ssl ts: 2019-09-04T14:42:04.140274Z uid: CmYK2s41ua8EPSS7wh

Zeek Data

```
{ [-]
   cert_chain_fuids: [ [+]
   cipher: TLS_RSA_WITH_AES_128_CBC_SHA256
   client_cert_chain_fuids: [ [+]
   established: true
  id.orig_h: 172
  id.orig_p: 50252
  id.resp_h: 50
  id.resp_p: 54443
  issuer: CN=Go Daddy Secure Certificate Authority - G2,0U=http://certs.godaddy.com/repository/,0=GoDaddy.com\,
Inc.,L=Scottsdale,ST=Arizona,C=US
  ia3: 3bd06d9912c4f0188afe4fa96706f560
  ja3s: 80b3a14bccc8598a1f3bbe83e71f735f
   resumed: false
   server_name: conferdeploy.net
   subject: CN=*.conferdeploy.net,OU=Domain Control Validated
   ts: 2019-09-04T14:42:04.286903Z
  uid: CmYK2s41ua8EPSS7wh
   validation_status: ok
   version: TLSv12
```

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Making machine data accessible, usable and valuable to everyone.



Networking

How the packets work



SSLWhat is it?

Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) is a standard security technology for establishing an encrypted link between a server and a client.

Uses certificates issued by a trusted CA

Uses a public private key pair to establish an encrypted connection

Allows for the secure transfer of sensitive information

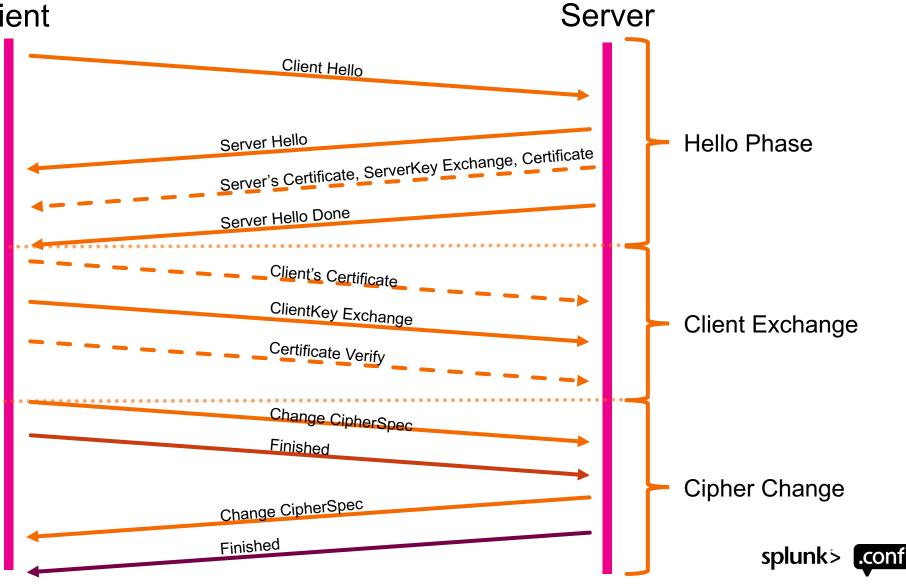
Used over TCP



SSL

Client

Setup/Negotiation



JA3 What is JA3?

JA3 is a method of fingerprinting SSL/TLS encrypted network traffic. This allows you to identify what is on your network, establish a baseline and alert on anomalous activity

Developed around Lee Brotherston's 2015 research

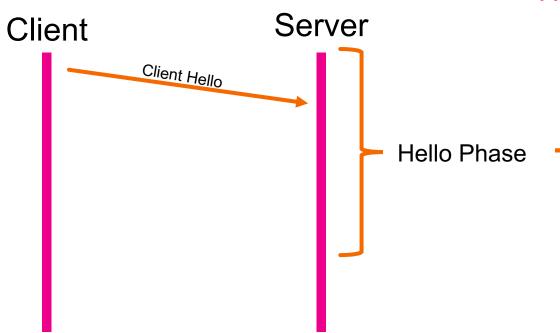
Lee's DerbyCon talk: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XX0FRAy2Mec

Allows you to identify what's on your network and establish a baseline

- Identifies potentially malicious activity without having to MITM your encrypted network traffic
- Resource: https://engineering.salesforce.com/tls-fingerprinting-with-ja3-and-ja3s-247362855967



JA3 How it works



769,255-49160-49172-...51-50-49164,,0

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86ed02e0de5a31b81cc0cd8484f90d0f

```
▼ TLSv1 Record Layer: Handshake Protocol: Client Hello
    Content Type: Handshake (22)
    Version: TLS 1.0 (0x0301)
    Length: 158
  ▼ Handshake Protocol: Client Hello
       Handshake Type: Client Hello (1)
       Length: 154
       Version: TLS 1.0 (0x0301)
     Random: 50839cfafec110ae58d1edc2f2ffc51ec3c2e7ca65221bd4...
       Session ID Length: 0
       Cipher Suites Length: 72
     ▼ Cipher Suites (36 suites)
         Cipher Suite: TLS_EMPTY_RENEGOTIATION_INFO_SCSV (0x00ff)
         Cipher Suite: TLS_ECDHE_ECDSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA (0xc00a)
         Cipher Suite: TLS_ECDHE_RSA_WITH_AES_256_CBC_SHA (0xc014)
       Compression Methods Length: 1
     ▶ Compression Methods (1 method)
       Extensions Length: 41
     Extension: server_name (len=15)
     ▶ Extension: supported_groups (len=8)
    ▼ Extension: ec_point_formats (len=2)
         Type: ec_point_formats (11)
         Length: 2
         EC point formats Length: 1
       ▼ Elliptic curves point formats (1)
            EC point format: uncompressed (0)
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     Extension: SessionTicket TLS (len=0)
```



Solution

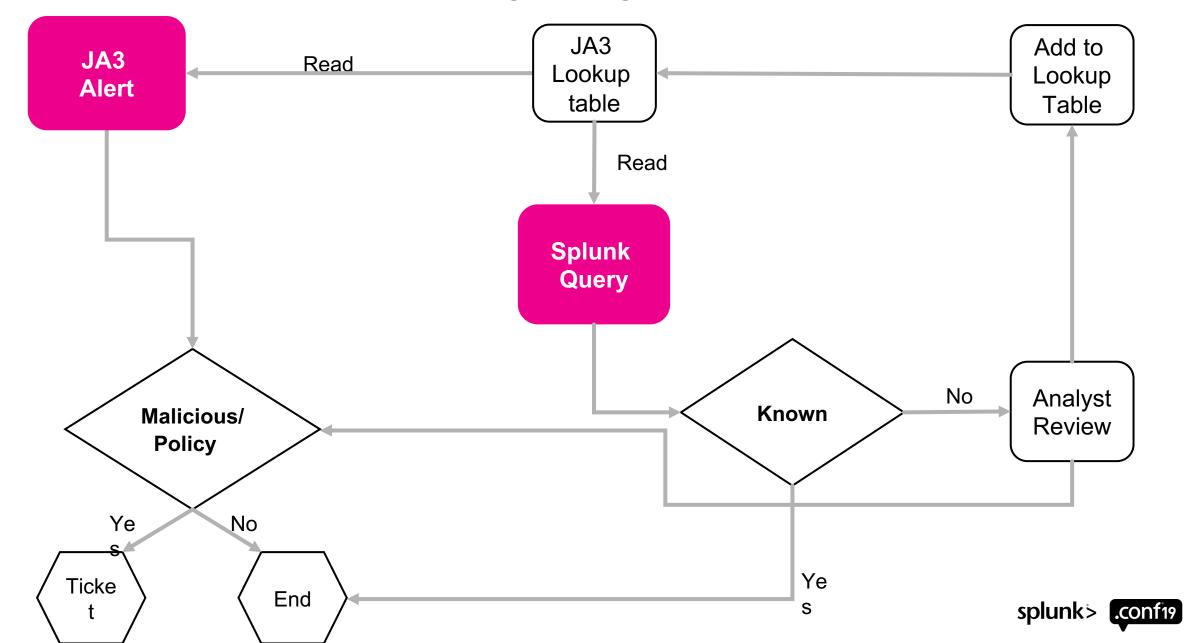
Tying it all together



Phase 1

JA3

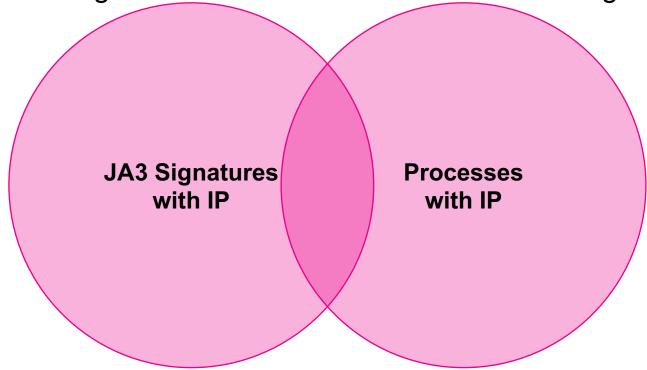
Workflow



Round 1

"JOIN"

Coming from an SQL background and Inner Join seemed like the right solution.





Problems with the Data



```
{ [-]
  cb server: cbserver
  computer_name:
  direction: outbound
  domain: fe3.delivery.mp.microsoft.com
  event_type: netconn
  local_ip: 172
  local_port: 56055
  md5: 8A0A29438052FAED8A2532DA50455756
  pid: 10112
  process_guid: 00003580-0000-2780-01d5-632dd3455b2f
  process_path: c:\windows\system32\svchost.exe
  protocol: 6
  proxy: false
  remote_ip: 64.4.54.18
  remote_port: 443
  sensor_id: 13696
   sha256: 7FD065BAC18C5278777AE44908101CDFED72D26FA741367F0AD4D02020787AB6
  timestamp: 1568129907.7368731
  type: ingress.event.netconn
```

```
{ [-]
  cb server: cbserver
  computer_name:
  direction: inbound
  domain:
  event_type: netconn
  local_ip: 172
  local_port: 63773
  md5: FF9298240EC54D396520527BAF17A2C4
  pid: 188
  process_guid: 0000381d-0000-00bc-01d5-52234ce95dca
  protocol: 17
  proxy: false
   remote_ip: 208.67.222.222
   remote_port: 443
  sensor_id: 14365
   sha256: 35F889A932FD17A94B8888A85552ADC6D2A5FB769E4709CF8D681EDE6DEBC961
   timestamp: 1568048710.225299
   type: ingress.event.netconn
```





Round 2

```
/System/Library/PrivateFrameworks/CommerceKit.framework/Versions/A/Resources/commerce
                                                      17305a56a62a10f6b0ee8edcc3b1769c
                                   184.28.20.53
                                   23.204.110.241
                                   23.35.180.89
                                                                                          /System/Library/PrivateFrameworks/CommerceKit.framework/Versions/A/Resources/commerced
01FDDAF4E453F1F08AF3AA61CC28667E
                                   184.27.28.73
                                                      17305a56a62a10f6b0ee8edcc3b1769c
                                   23.204.110.241
027F61B67421425C97E8F4BEA64836E5
                                   17.249.9.246
                                                      17305a56a62a10f6b0ee8edcc3b1769c
                                                                                          /System/Library/PrivateFrameworks/CoreParsec.framework/parsec-fbf
                                                      f6b71761263862d25b0a2759609a5850
                                                      17305a56a62a10f6b0ee8edcc3b1769c
                                                                                          c:\program files (x86)\box\box for office\upgradeservice.exe
02FE4FC137CAE0A9E8C22C2AF114C0BF
                                    107.152.24.197
                                   107.152.25.197
                                   107.152.26.197
                                   107.152.27.197
```

(index=<CB Index> netconn) OR (index=<Zeek Index> ja3) lookup ja3_dict_2.csv JA3 as ja3 output Application

where isnull(Application)

| eval remote_ip = coalesce(id.resp_h, dest_ip, remote_ip, "null")

stats values(md5) as md5 values(ja3) as ja3 values(process_path) as process_path by remote_ip

mvexpand md5

stats values(remote_ip) as remote_ip values(ja3) as ja3 by md5

| lookup threat_intel_file_hash_lookup md5 OUTPUTNEW process_path as process_path

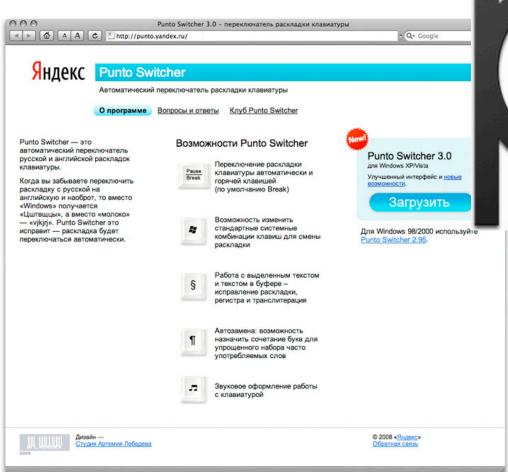
search NOT(md5="") AND ja3=*

search NOT (remote_ip=10.0.0.0/8 OR remote_ip=172.16.0.0/12 OR remote_ip=192.168.0.0/16)



Successes

What we found with this initial phase

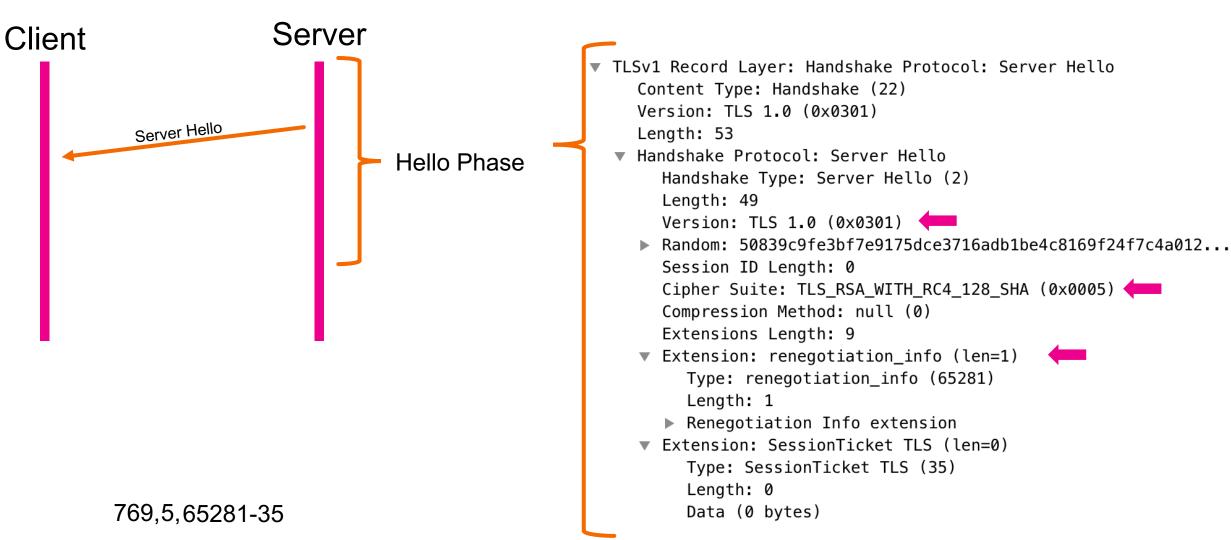


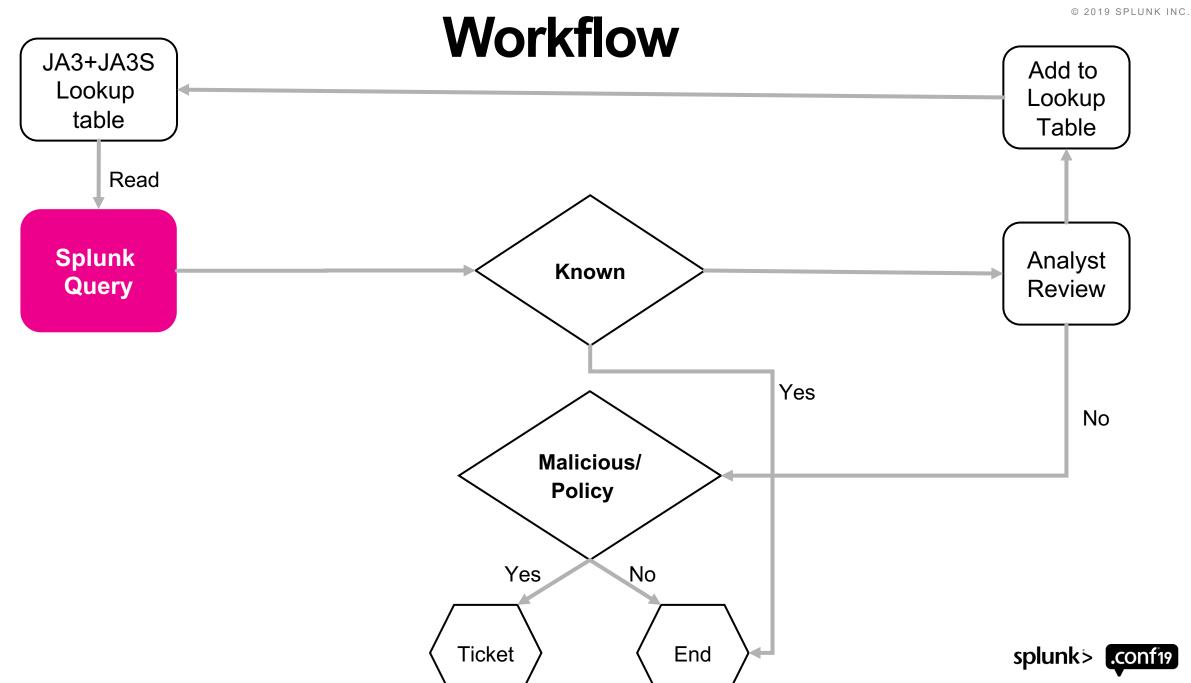




Phase 2

JA3S





JA3S Success

00d1b0d0e7f24458a3219d13fa42fa7fapi.skype.com00ddf2745f58a36d0871eb19f60c7817www14.software.ibm.com015c1ebe2352d6c942d84f5b4591acdb209.197.219.290191d81a4ad7ee1a330a1e2c51d23acebidder.criteo.com
csm.da.us.criteo.net
csm.va.us.criteo.net
dis.us.criteo.com
mesu.apple.com
pix.us.criteo.net
sslwidget.criteo.com
static.criteo.net

```
index=<Zeek Index> ja3s established="true"

NOT (dest_ip=10.0.0.0/8 OR dest_ip=172.16.0.0/12 OR dest_ip=192.168.0.0/16)
| eval dst_server = coalesce(server_name, dest_ip)
| lookup ja3s_dict.csv ja3s as ja3s output remote_server
| where isnull(remote_server)
| stats values(dst_server) as remote_server by ja3s
```



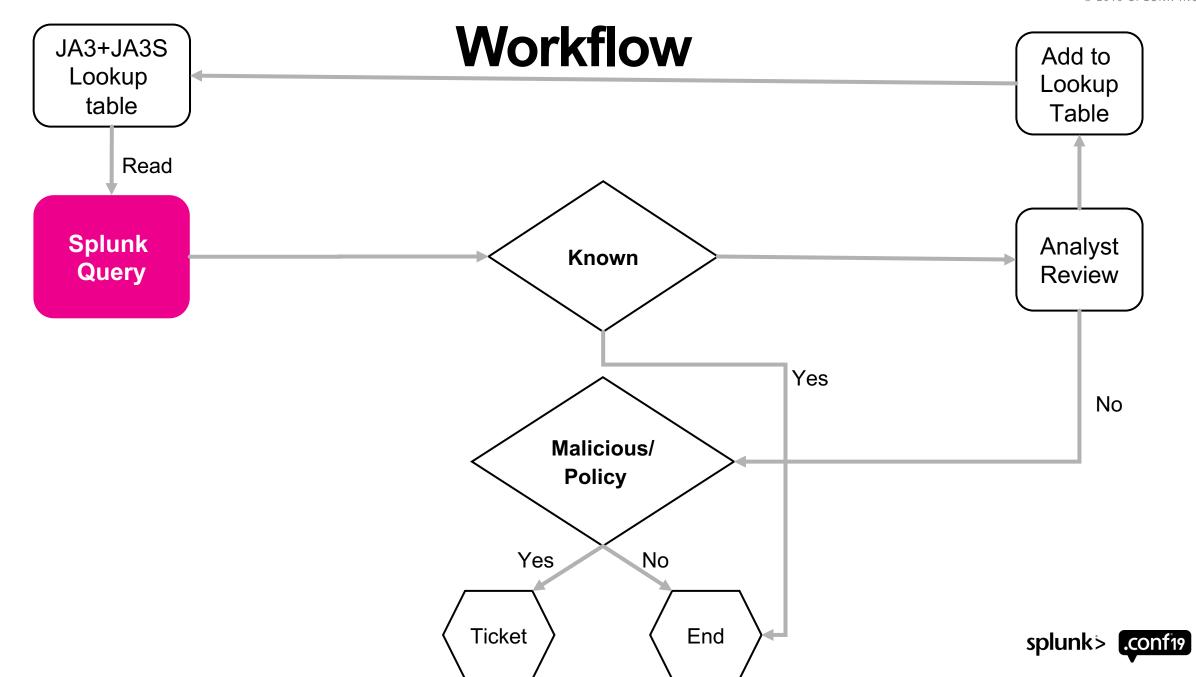


Phase 3

JA3 + JA3S

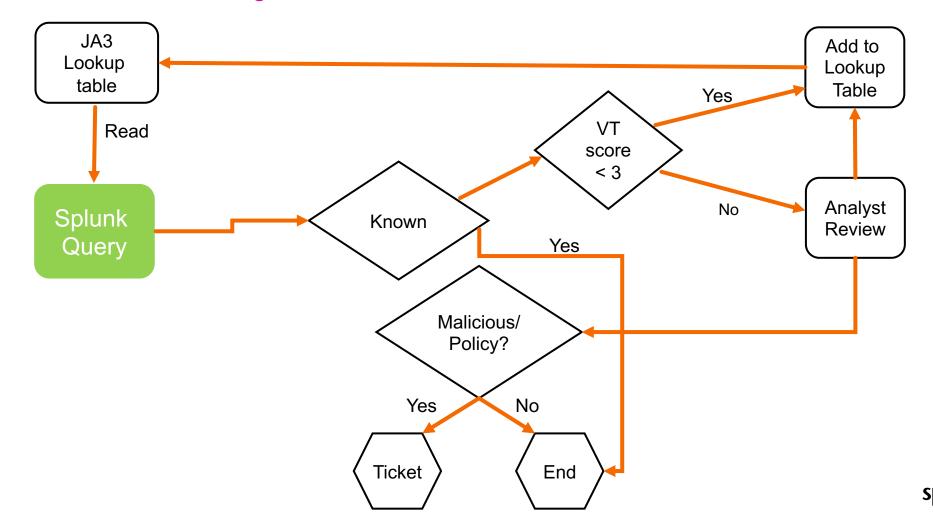
JA3+JA3S

61b05773cda43e16a78ae1150092c068:ccc514751b175866924439bdbb5bba34 DAC36A AssetCacheLocatorService 172.217.14.77 DA9765 NOT [] inputlookup "ja3-ja3s ≽սի∙evalյja3≕mvindex(ja3_lookup,0), ja3s=mvindex(ja3 lookup,1) 89D5B1 **mDNSResponder** eval ja3 lookup = ja3+":"+ja3s, dst s 7A2C4 beval remote...ip. = coalesce('id.resp_h DAC36A AddressBookSourceSync 172 . 217 . 14 . 106 stats values(md5) as md5 values(ja3 Google Chrome Helper values(process path) as prorver by remote ip mvexpand md5 com.apple.Safari.SafeBrowsing.Service stats values(remote_ip) as remote_ip values(md5) as md5 values(dstinserver) as dstruserver by ja3_lookup lookup threat intel file hash lookup md5 OUTPUTNEW process path as process path as process path as lookup md5 OUTPUTNEW pr rex field=process_path "(?P<application>[^\\\^\\/]+)\$" search NOT (md5="") AND ja3 lookup=* NOT (remote ip=10.0.0.0/8 OR remote ip=172.16.0.0/12 OR remote ip=192.168.0.0/16) stats values(dst_server) as dst_server values(md5) as md5 values(application) as application values(remote_ip) as remote_ip by ja3_lookup



Operationalizing the solution

Taking the workflow and making it real







Learnings

Notes

Take-aways and Tips

JA3 lookup validation

VT, ReversingLabs, etc...

JA3S lookup validation

Google SafeBrowing, 3rd party reputation lists, threat intel feeds

There is LOTS of value in looking at encrypted network traffic

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