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Practical SELinux: Writing Custom Application Policy

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Agenda

- Proactive Security
- SELinux Security Policy
- Updated Userspace with Easier Policy Customization
- SELinux Awareness
- Writing SELinux Policy
- Troubleshooting Existing Policy

Proactive Security

WHEN DO PEOPLE CARE ABOUT SECURITY?



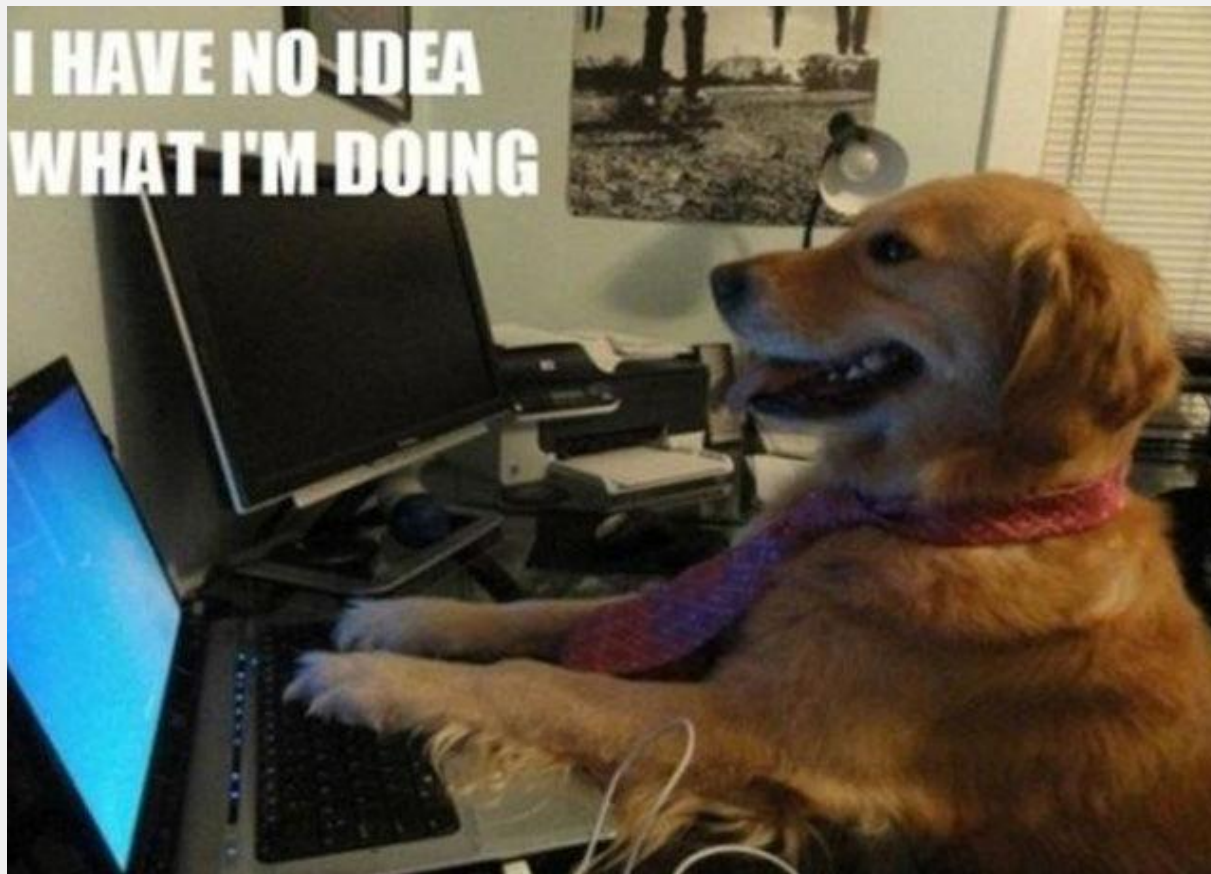
HOW DO SECURITY ISSUES AFFECT ME?

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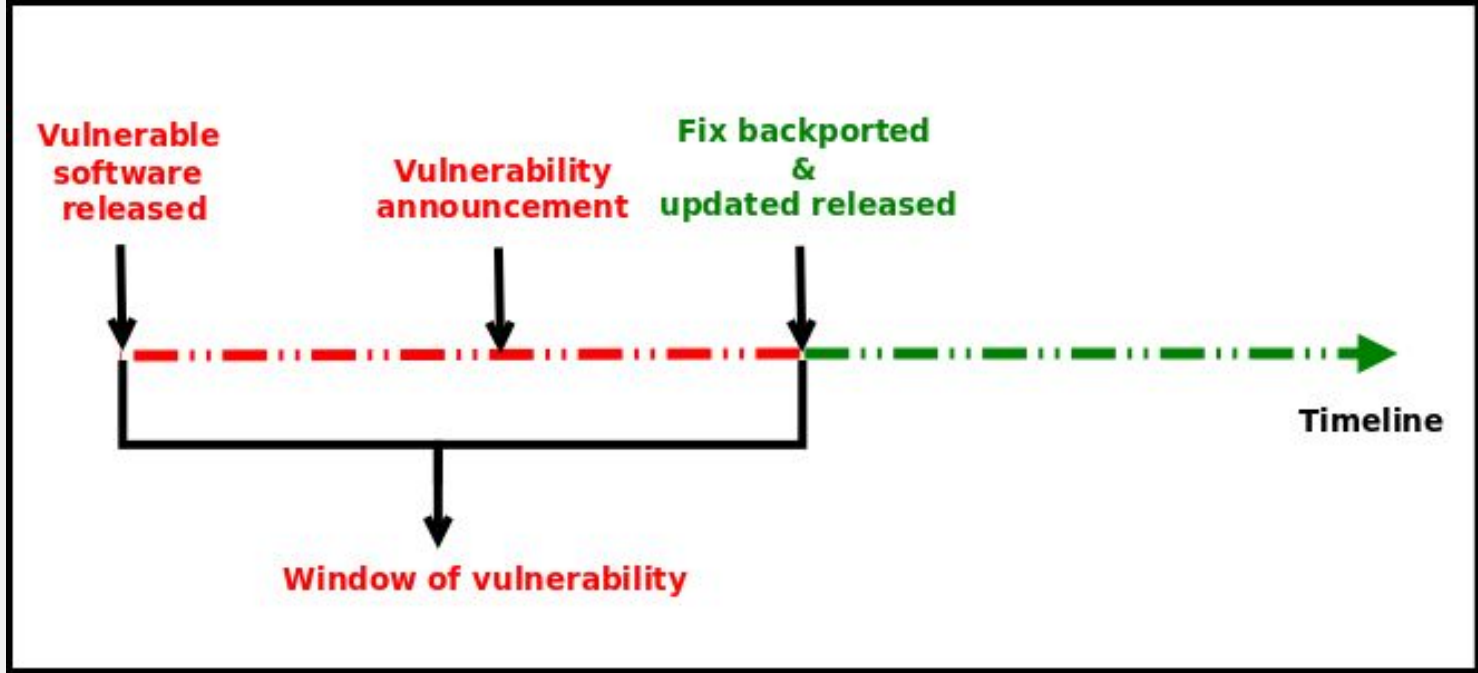
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MOBILE DEVICE PROTECTION

WHERE DO SECURITY ISSUES COME FROM?



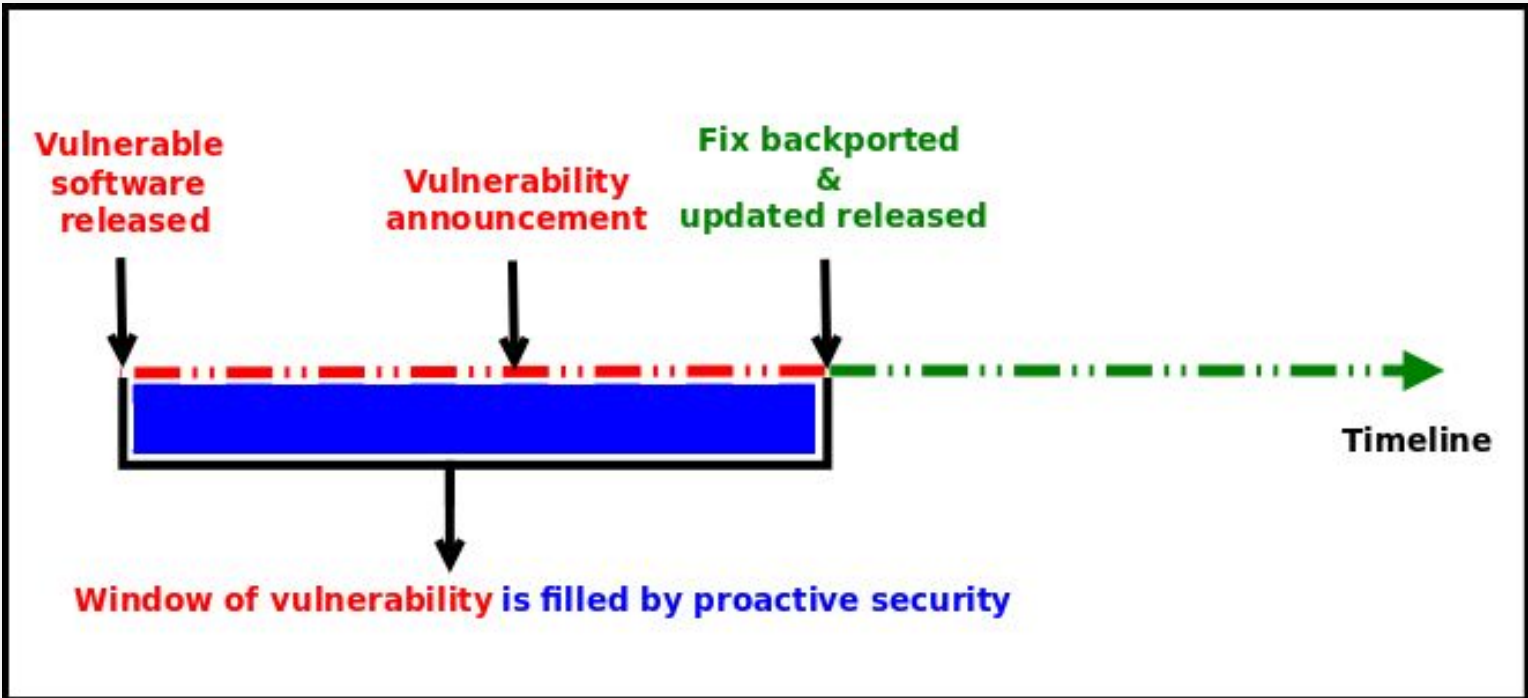
HOW ARE THEY FIXED?

REACTIVE SECURITY



YOUR SYSTEM **IS NOT PROTECTED** DURING THE
WINDOW OF VULNERABILITY!

PROACTIVE SECURITY



PROACTIVE SECURITY HELPS TO **PROTECT** YOUR
SYSTEM DURING THE WINDOW OF VULNERABILITY!

SECURITY ENHANCED LINUX IS A SECURITY
MECHANISM BRINGING PROACTIVE SECURITY FOR
YOUR SYSTEM.

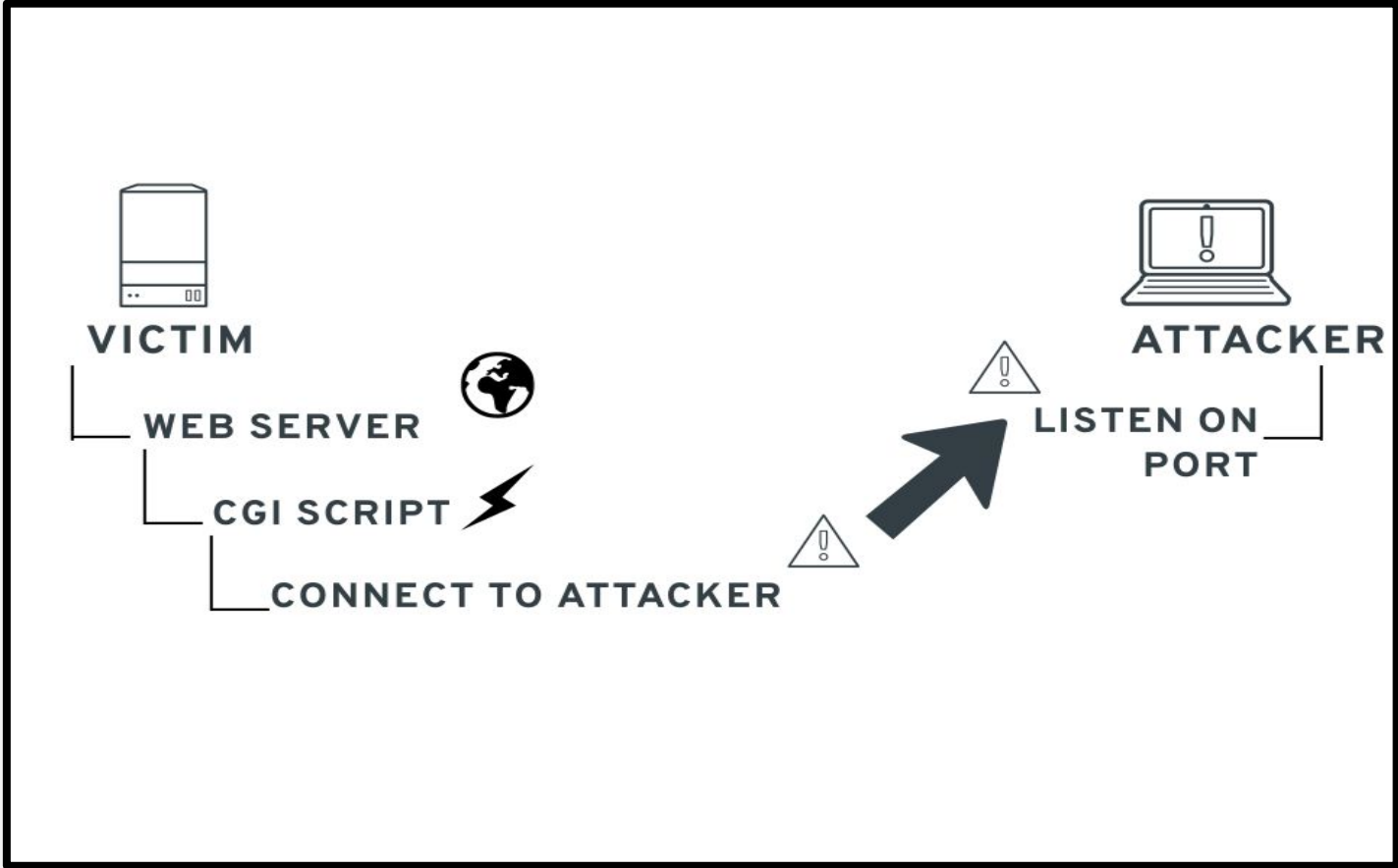
EXPLOIT EXAMPLES WHERE SELINUX HELPED TO PROTECT YOUR SYSTEM

VENOM

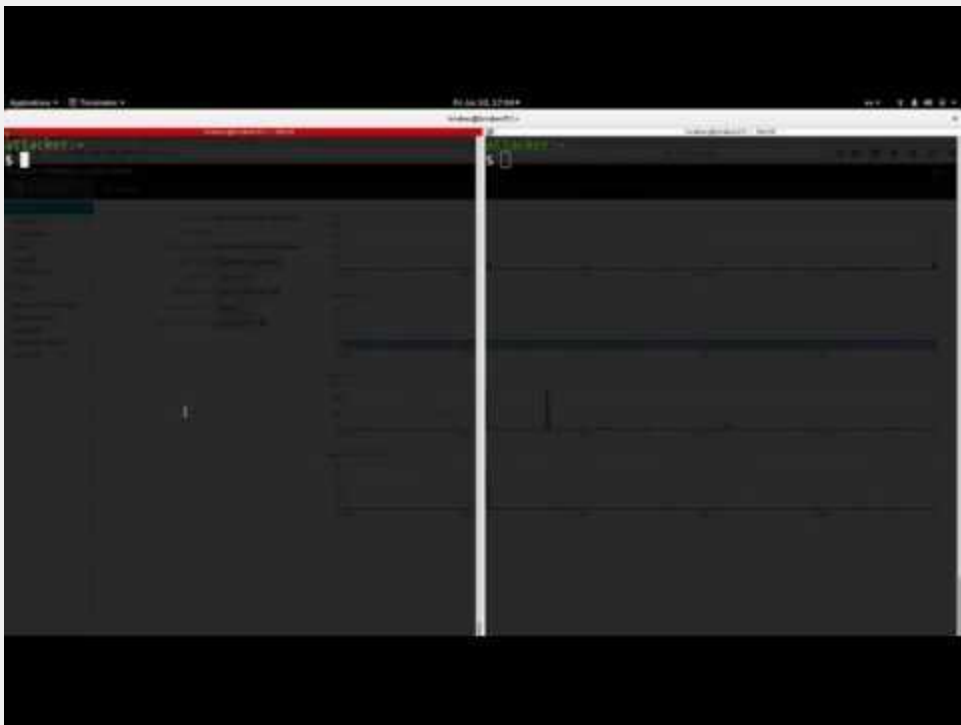
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SHELLSHOCK

HACKING TIME!



DEMO TIME!



CONCLUSION?



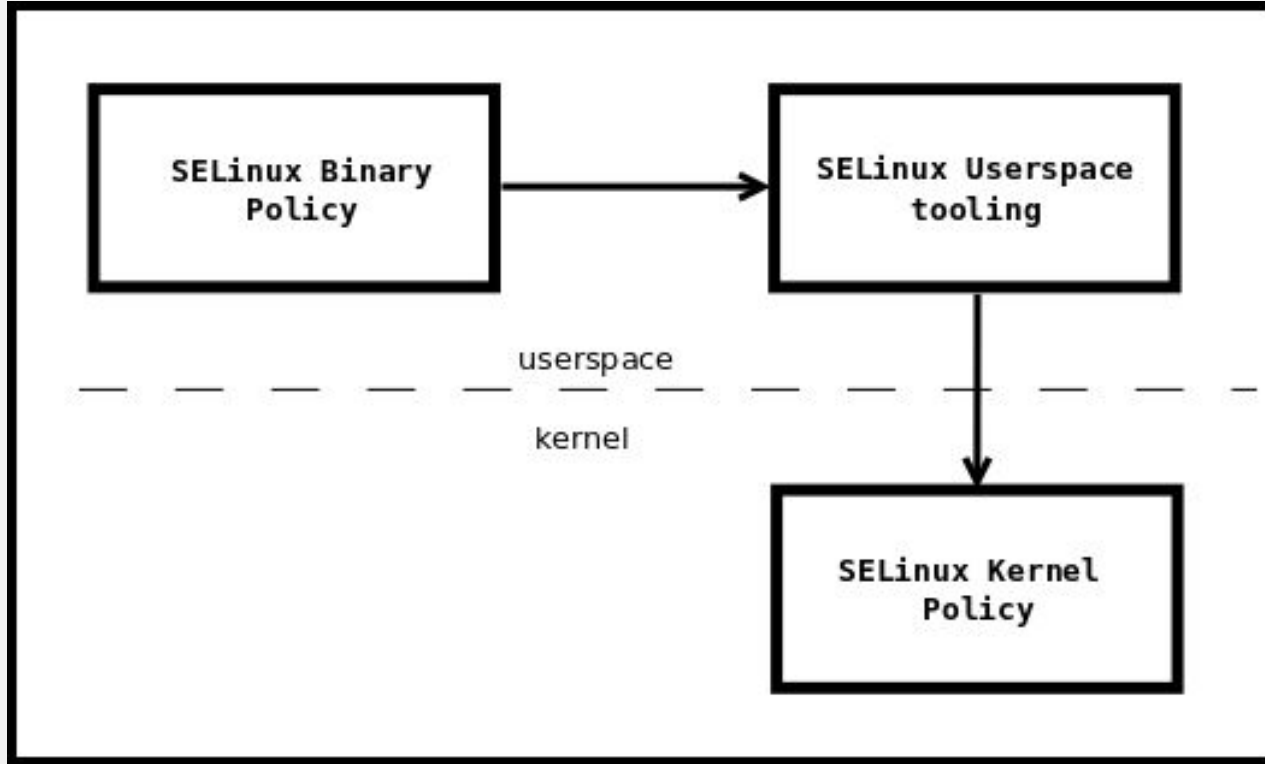
SELinux Security Policy

IS

CORE COMPONENT OF SELINUX

CORE COMPONENT OF SELINUX
COLLECTION OF SELINUX POLICY RULES

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COLLECTION OF SELINUX POLICY RULES
**LOADED INTO THE KERNEL BY SELINUX
USERSPACE TOOLS**



ENFORCED BY THE KERNEL

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**USED TO AUTHORIZE ACCESS REQUESTS ON THE
SYSTEM**

BY DEFAULT **EVERYTHING** IS DENIED AND YOU
DEFINE POLICY RULES TO ALLOW CERTAIN
REQUESTS.

SELINUX POLICY RULES

DESCRIBE AN **INTERACTION** BETWEEN PROCESSES
AND SYSTEM RESOURCES

SELINUX POLICY RULE IN HUMAN LANGUAGE

"APACHE process can READ its LOGGING
FILE"

SELINUX VIEW OF THAT INTERACTION

```
ALLOW apache_process apache_log:FILE  
      READ;
```

apache_process apache_log

ARE **LABELS**

LABELS

ASSIGNED TO PROCESSES

ASSIGNED TO PROCESSES
ASSIGNED TO SYSTEM RESOURCES

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ASSIGNED TO SYSTEM RESOURCES
BY SELINUX SECURITY POLICY

ASSIGNED TO PROCESSES
ASSIGNED TO SYSTEM RESOURCES
BY SELINUX SECURITY POLICY
**MAP REAL SYSTEM ENTITIES INTO THE SELINUX
WORLD**

LABELS IN REALITY

STORED IN EXTENDED ATTRIBUTES OF FILE SYSTEMS - EXT2,EXT3, EXT4 ...

```
# getfattr -n security.selinux /etc/passwd
getfattr: Removing leading '/' from absolute path
names
# file: etc/passwd
security.selinux="system_u:object_r:passwd_file_t:s0"

# ls -Z /etc/passwd
system_u:object_r:passwd_file_t:s0 /etc/passwd
```

SELINUX LABELS CONSIST OF **FOUR** PARTS

<user>:<role>:<type>:<MLS/MCS>

<user>:<role>:<type>:<MLS/MCS>

Not the same as Linux users

Several Linux users can be mapped to a single SELinux user

object_u is a placeholder for Linux system resources

system_u is a placeholder for Linux processes

Can be limited to a set of SELinux roles

`<user>:<role>:<type>:<MLS/MCS>`

SELinux users can have multiple roles but only one can be active

object_r is a placeholder for Linux system resources

system_r is a placeholder for system processes

Can be limited to a set of SELinux types

`<user>:<role>:<type>:<MLS/MCS>`

Security model known as **TYPE ENFORCEMENT**

In 99% you care only about TYPES
policy rules and interactions between types

`<user>:<role>:<type>:<MLS/MCS>`

Multi Level Security

Only the MCS part is used in Targeted Policy with the default `s0` level

Allow users to mark resources with compartment tags (*MCS1, MCS2*)

Used for RHEL virtualization and for container security

`s0:c1` can not access `s0:c2`

IN RHEL7 WE SHIP THE **TARGETED** SELINUX POLICY
BY DEFAULT

WE MOSTLY CARE ONLY ABOUT **TYPES**

SELINUX **ALLOW** RULE SYNTAX WITH **TYPES**

```
ALLOW TYPE1 TYPE2:OBJECT_CLASS  
PERMISSION;
```

```
ALLOW APACHE_T APACHE_LOG_T:FILE READ;
```

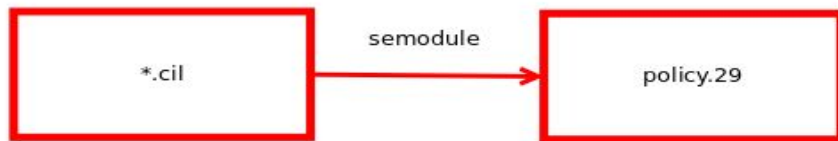
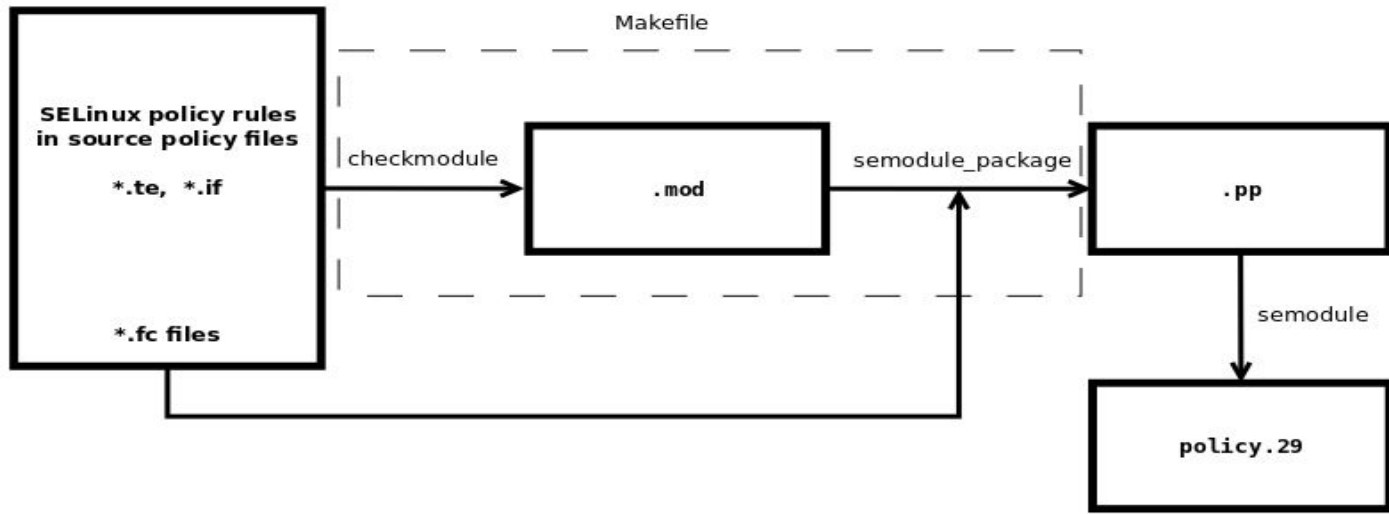

Updated Userspace with Easier Policy Customization

FRIENDLY SELINUX?

NEW SELINUX USERSPACE 2.5 INTRODUCED IN RHEL-7.3

NEW COMMON INTERMEDIATE LANGUAGE - CIL

”M4+COMPILATION” VS. CIL



PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENTS

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NEW POSSIBILITY FOR HLL

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USABILITY

LOCAL POLICY IN TWO STEPS

“I have an apache process that needs to access its log file. I would like to add SELinux policy rule reflecting the following interaction so that I am able to read important info from the apache logging file.”

```
# cat myapache.cil  
  
(allow httpd_t httpd_log_t (file (open read  
getattr)))
```

```
# semodule -i myapache.cil
```

HOW DO WE DO IT WITH M4 + COMPILATION?

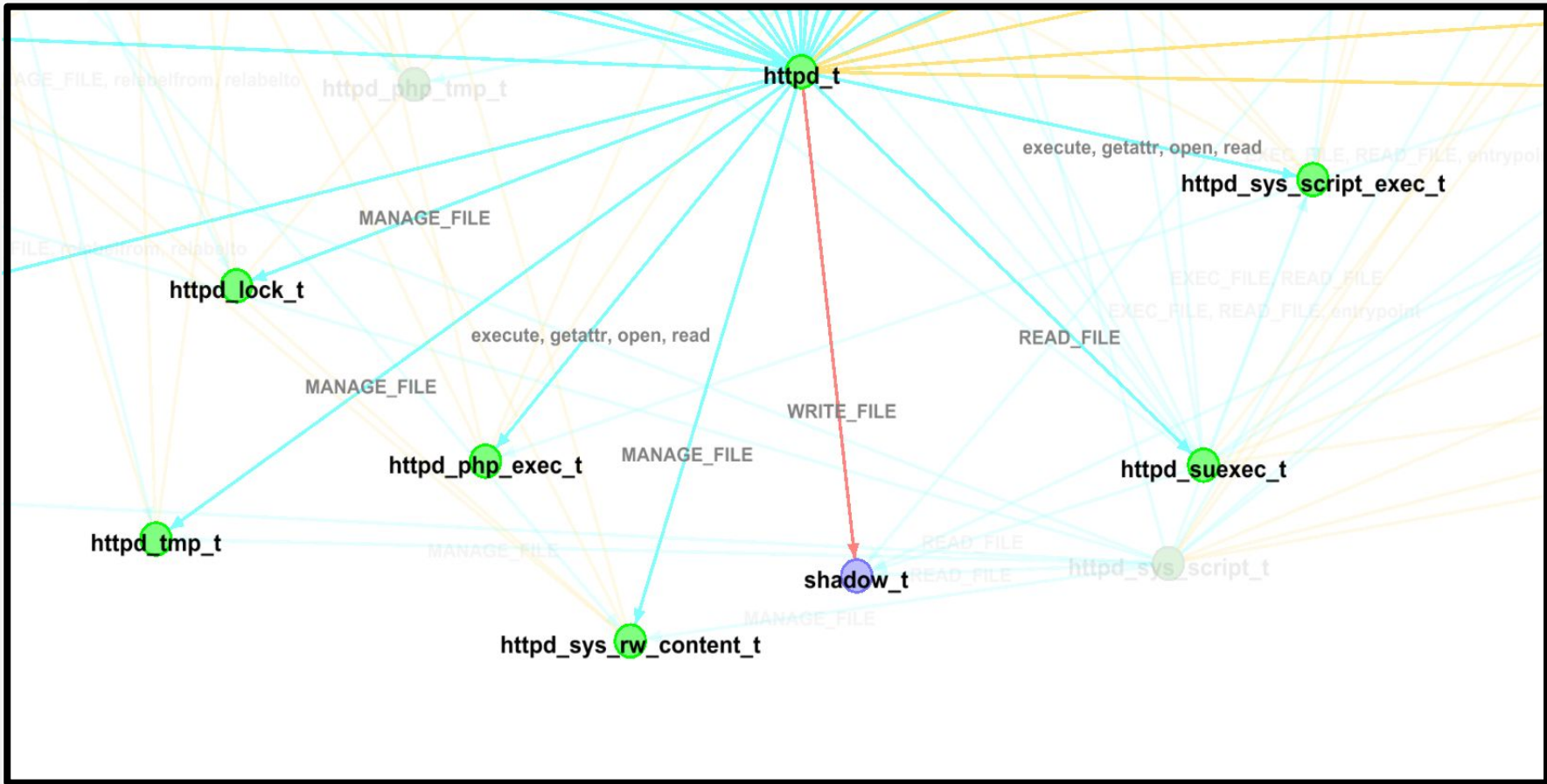
```
# cat myapache.te
require {
    type httpd_t;
    type httpd_log_t;
}

allow httpd_t httpd_log_t:file { open read
getattr };
```

```
# make -f /usr/share/selinux/devel/Makefile  
# semodule -i myapache.pp
```


FUTURE



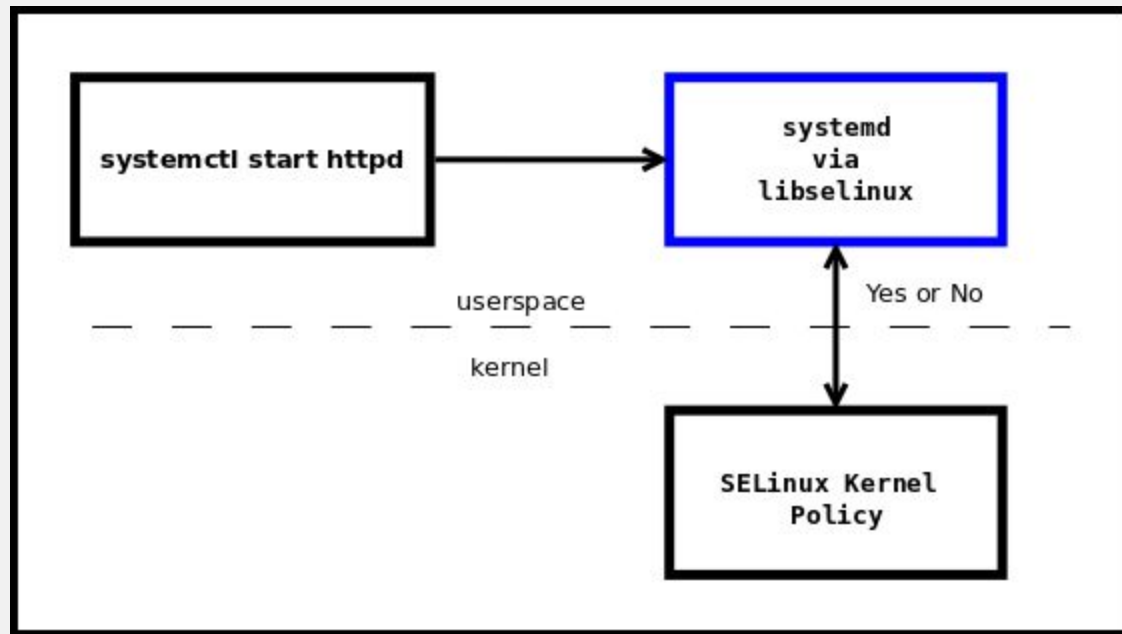


SELinux Awareness

SELINUX ENHANCING TECHNOLOGIES

SYSTEMD

SYSTEMD WORKS AS AN SELINUX ACCESS MANAGER



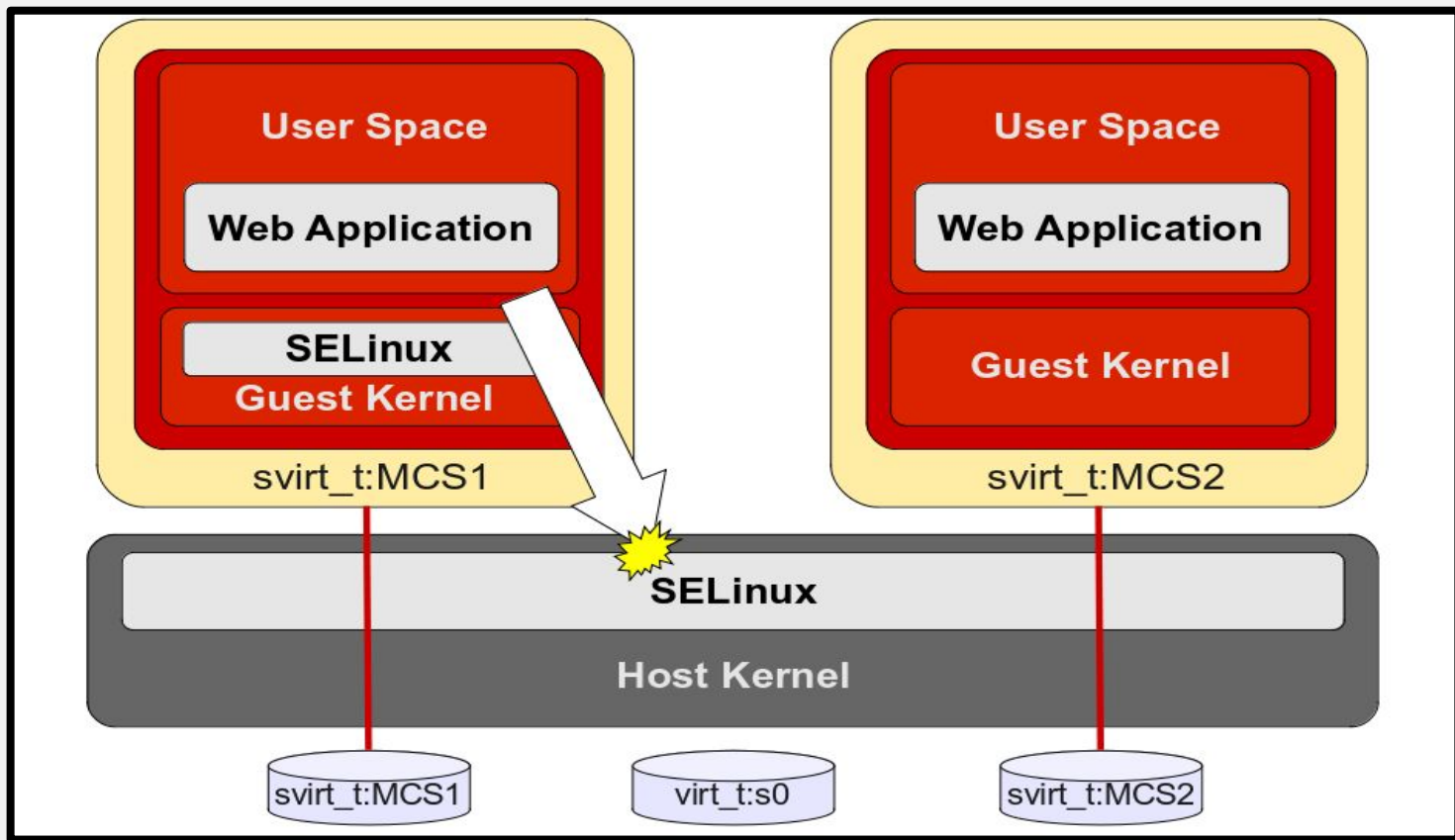
DO YOU REMEMBER SELINUX ALLOW RULE SYNTAX
WITH **TYPE ENFORCEMENT**?

```
ALLOW TYPE1 TYPE2:OBJECT_CLASS  
PERMISSION;
```

```
ALLOW HTTPD_T HTTPD_UNIT_FILE_T:SERVICE  
START;
```

SYSTEMD **SVIRT**

APPLIES MAC TO IMPROVE SECURITY WHEN USING VIRTUAL MACHINES



`SELinux user:SELinux role:SELinux type:SELinux category`

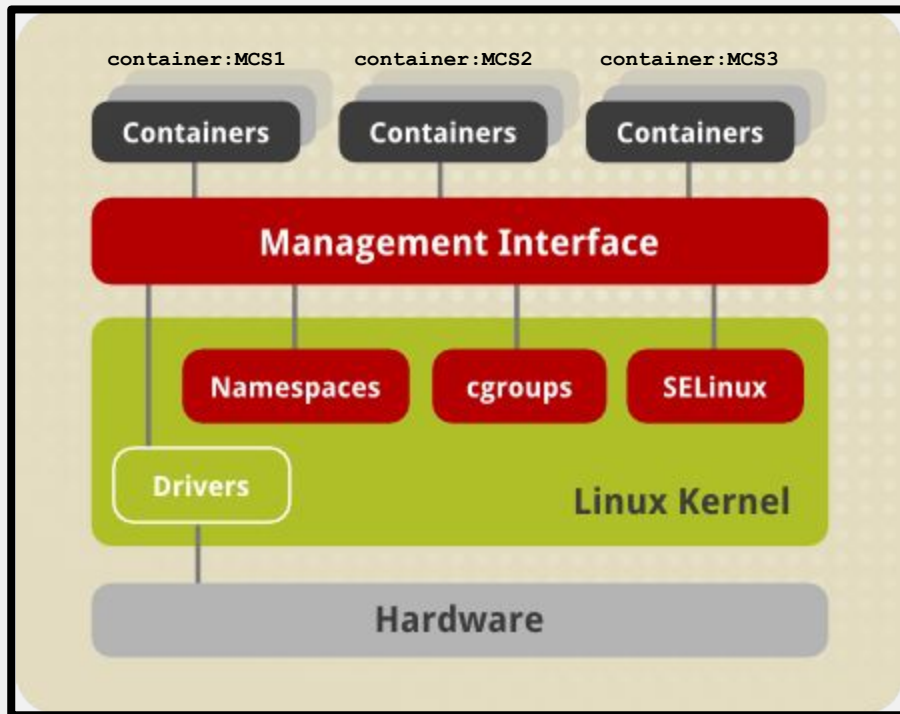
```
SELinux user:SELinux role:SELinux type:SELinux category  
system_u:object_r:svirt_t:c306,c536
```



```
SELinux user:SELinux role:SELinux type:SELinux category
system_u:object_r:svirt_t:c306,c536
system_u:object_r:svirt_t:c206,c636
```

SYSTEMD
SVIRT
CONTAINERS

SELINUX KEEPS YOUR CONTAINER IN ITS OWN SPACE



SELinux user:SELinux role:SELinux type:SELinux category

```
SELinux user:SELinux role:SELinux type:SELinux category  
system_u:object_r:container_t:c306,c536
```

SELinux user:SELinux role:SELinux type:SELinux category

system_u:object_r:container_t:c306,c536

system_u:object_r:container_t:c206,c636

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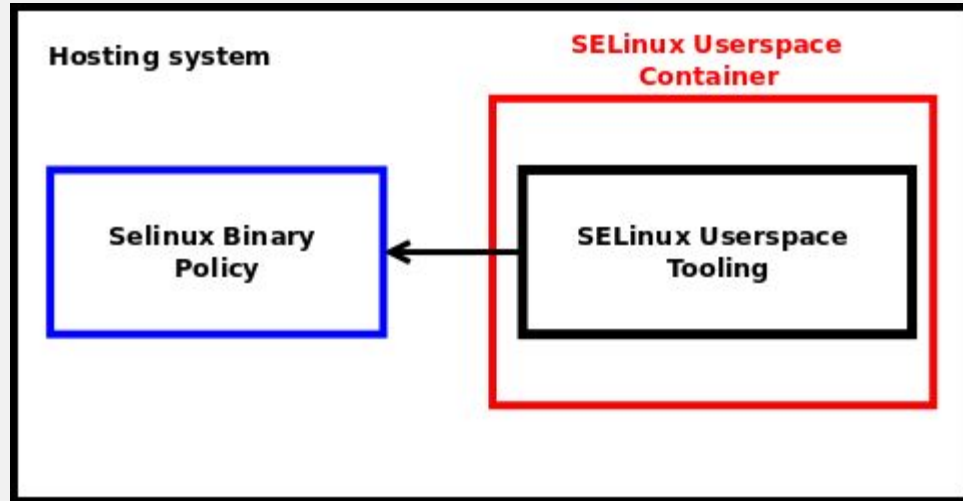
system_u:object_r:container_t:c406,c736

SELINUX MANAGEMENT

SELINUX TROUBLESHOOTING IN COCKPIT

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SELINUX USERSPACE INSIDE CONTAINER



```
$ getenforce
```

```
Permissive
```

```
$ sudo docker run --privileged -v /sys/fs/selinux:/sys/fs/selinux:rw  
-v/etc/selinux:/etc/selinux:rw -v /etc/selinux:/var/lib/selinux:rw -it  
selinux-container:latest setenforce 1
```

```
$ getenforce
```

```
Enforcing
```

SELINUX TROUBLESHOOTING COCKPIT
SELINUX USERSPACE INSIDE CONTAINER
SELINUX WITH ANSIBLE

<https://github.com/cockpit-project/system-api-roles/tree/master/roles/SELinux>

DEMO PLAYBOOK

```
$ cat > demo-playbook.yml <<EOF
---
- hosts: all
  remote_user: root
  vars:
    SELinux_type: targeted
    SELinux_mode: enforcing
    SELinux_change_running: 1
    SELinux_booleans:
      - { name: 'samba_enable_home_dirs', state: 'on' }
      - { name: 'ssh_sysadm_login', state: 'on', persistent: 'yes' }
    SELinux_file_contexts:
      - { target: '/tmp/test_dir(/.*)?', setype: 'user_home_dir_t', ftype: 'd' }
    SELinux_restore_dirs:
      - /tmp/test_dir
  roles:
    - SELinux
EOF
```

RUN THE PLAYBOOK USING SELINUX ROLES

```
$ ansible-playbook -i  
mgrepl-rhel-73.virt,mgrepl-rhel-6.virt,mgrepl-fedora-25.virt  
  , demo-playbook.yml
```

Writing SELinux Policy

SELINUX MODES

ENFORCING

ENFORCING
SELINUX SECURITY POLICY IS ENFORCED BY
KERNEL

PERMISSIVE

PERMISSIVE
SELINUX SECURITY POLICY IS NOT ENFORCED BY
KERNEL

PERMISSIVE

SELINUX SECURITY POLICY IS NOT ENFORCED BY
KERNEL

ACCESSES ARE LOGGED

LET'S SWITCH SELINUX TO PERMISSIVE TO COLLECT MORE AVC MESSAGES

AVC MESSAGES

WHERE CAN WE FIND LOGS?

```
# cat /var/log/audit/audit.log
```

```
# cat /var/log/audit/audit.log  
# ausearch -m AVC
```



```
type=AVC msg=audit(1226882925.714:136): avc: denied  
{ read } for pid=2512 comm="httpd" name="file1"  
dev=dm-0 ino=284133  
scontext=unconfined_u:system_r:httpd_t:s0  
tcontext=unconfined_u:object_r:shadow_t:s0  
tclass=file
```

HOW TO PARSE AVC MESSAGES?

ssearch

ssearch

audit2allow

```
$ ausearch -m AVC -ts recent
```

```
type=AVC msg=audit(1226882925.714:136): avc: denied { read } for  
pid=2512 comm="httpd" name="shadow" dev=dm-0 ino=284133  
scontext=unconfined_u:system_r:httpd_t:s0  
tcontext=unconfined_u:object_r:shadow_t:s0 tclass=file
```

```
$ ausearch -m AVC -ts recent | audit2allow
```

```
#===== httpd_t =====
```

```
allow httpd_t shadow_t:file read;
```

ALL NECESSARY FILES FOR WRITING CUSTOM
POLICY CAN BE FOUND IN
/USR/SHARE/SELINUX/DEVEL DIRECTORY

rhsummit.service

DUMMY LINUX DAEMON FOR TESTING PURPOSE

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ACTIONS

Connecting on port 80 tcp on lvrabec-selinux.rhcloud.com

Logging messages into journal

Creating pid file

Reading /proc/meminfo

```
# systemctl status rhsummit
```

- rhsummit.service - Testing SELinux for Red Hat Summit 2017

```
Loaded: loaded  
(/usr/lib/systemd/system/rhsummit.service; disabled;  
vendor preset: disabled)
```

```
Active: inactive (dead)
```

```
# systemctl start rhsummit

# systemctl status rhsummit
● rhsummit.service - Testing SELinux for Red Hat Summit 2017
   Loaded: loaded
          (/usr/lib/systemd/system/rhsummit.service; disabled;
          vendor preset: disabled)
   Active: active (running) since Tue 2017-04-11
16:16:47 CEST; 9s ago
   Process: 2827 ExecStart=/usr/bin/rhsummit
          (code=exited, status=0/SUCCESS)
```

NO SELINUX POLICY FOR THE *RHSUMMIT* SERVICE
MEANS THE **SERVICE IS UNCONFINED SERVICE**
FROM SELINUX POINT OF VIEW!

```
# ps -efZ | grep rhsummit
system_u:system_r:unconfined_service_t:s0 root 2828 1
0 16:16 ?      00:00:00 /usr/bin/rhsummit
unconfined_u:unconfined_r:unconfined_t:s0-s0:c0.c1023
root 2849 2344  0 16:33 pts/0 00:00:00 grep
--color=auto rhsummit
```

```
# sepolicy generate --init /usr/bin/rhsummit
```

```
Loaded plugins: product-id
```

```
Created the following files:
```

```
/root/code/policy/rhsummit.te # Type Enforcement file
```

```
/root/code/policy/rhsummit.if # Interface file
```

```
/root/code/policy/rhsummit.fc # File Contexts file
```

```
/root/code/policy/rhsummit_selinux.spec # Spec file
```

```
/root/code/policy/rhsummit.sh # Setup Script
```

```
# ./rhsummit.sh
```


HOW TO CHECK AN SELINUX STATUS FOR OUR SUMMIT SERVICE?

```
# systemctl stop rhsummit
# systemctl start rhsummit
# ps -efZ | grep summit

# ps -efZ | grep summit
system_u:system_r:rhsummit_t:s0 root          3049      1   0 17:03
?           00:00:00 /usr/bin/rhsummit
unconfined_u:unconfined_r:unconfined_t:s0-s0:c0.c1023 root
3051 2344   0 17:03 pts/0 00:00:00 grep --color=auto summit
```

RHSUMMIT SERVICE RUNS WITH **RHSUMMIT** LABEL
WHICH MEANS THAT THE SERVICE IS **CONFINED!**

IMPORTANT SELINUX POLICY FILES

rhsummit.fc file contains SELinux security context for all service objects (files, dirs, lnk_files, sockets, ...)

rhsummit.te file contains rules for rhsummit_t domain

rhsummit.if file contains interfaces to access rhsummit_t types

rhsummit.sh bash script for compiling and installing SELinux policy for rhsummit service

WHY THE RHSUMMIT SERVICE RUNS AS RHSUMMIT_T DOMAIN?

SELINUX PROCESS TRANSITION RULES!

```
# ssearch -T -s init_t -t rhsummit_exec_t
Found 1 semantic te rules:
    type_transition init_t rhsummit_exec_t : process
rhsummit_t;
```


AVCS IN AUSEARCH OUTPUTS

```
# ausearch -m AVC -ts recent
```

```
...
```

```
...
```

```
...
```

```
# ausearch -m AVC -ts recent > ~/avc_file
```

AVCS RELATED TO CREATING PID FILES

/var/run/rhsummit.pid should have custom label **rhsummit_pid_t** instead of **var_run_t**

```
type=AVC msg=audit(1491928595.618:342): avc: denied { write } for
pid=3924 comm="rhsummit" name="rhsummit.pid" dev="tmpfs" ino=35478
    scontext=system_u:system_r:rhsummit_t:s0
    tcontext=unconfined_u:object_r:var_run_t:s0 tclass=file
```

rhsummit.te

```
+ type rhsummit_pid_t;  
  
+ files_pid_file(rhsummit_pid_t)  
  
+ manage_files_pattern(rhsummit_t, rhsummit_pid_t, rhsummit_pid_t)  
  
+ files_pid_filetrans(rhsummit_t, rhsummit_pid_t, { file })
```

rhsummit.fc

```
+ /var/run/rhsummit.* -- gen_context(system_u:object_r:rhsummit_pid_t,s0)
```

AVCS RELATED TO READING /PROC

rhsummit process reads /proc/meminfo file, this access should be allowed

```
type=AVC msg=audit(1491928595.618:343): avc: denied { read }
for pid=3924 comm="rhsummit" name="meminfo" dev="proc"
ino=4026532028 scontext=system_u:system_r:rhsummit_t:s0
tcontext=system_u:object_r:proc_t:s0 tclass=file
```

rhsummit.te

```
+ kernel_read_system_state(rhsummit_t)
```

Interface can be found in

```
/usr/share/selinux/devel/include/kernel/kernel.if
```


AVCS RELATED TO NETWORK ACCESS

service connects to “lvrabec-selinux.rhcloud.com”, this should be allowed

```
type=AVC msg=audit(1491939758.424:387): avc: denied {  
  name_connect } for pid=4430 comm="rhsummit" dest=80  
  scontext=system_u:system_r:rhsummit_t:s0  
tcontext=system_u:object_r:http_port_t:s0 tclass=tcp_socket
```

rhsummit.te

```
+ corenet_tcp_connect_http_port(rhsummit_t)
```

Interface can be found in

```
/usr/share/selinux/devel/include/kernel/corenetwork.if
```

Service resolves DNS records, so access to /etc/resolv.conf is needed

```
type=AVC msg=audit(1491942725.855:436): avc: denied { read }
for pid=4874 comm="rhsummit" name="resolv.conf" dev="dm-0"
ino=5051289 scontext=system_u:system_r:rhsummit_t:s0
tcontext=system_u:object_r:net_conf_t:s0 tclass=file
```

rhsummit.te

```
+ sysnet_read_config(rhsummit_t)
```

Interface can be found in

```
/usr/share/selinux/devel/include/system/sysnetwork.if
```

AVCS RE-CHECK FOR THE *RHSUMMIT* SERVICE

```
# ausearch -m AVC -ts recent
```

```
<no matches>
```

SELINUX POLICY FOR THE *RHSUMMIT* SERVICE IS
READY!

Troubleshooting Existing Policy

MISLABELED SYSTEM I.E LABELS ON OBJECTS ARE WRONG

```
# restorecon -Rv /
```

or

```
# fixfiles onboot
```

```
# reboot
```

SELINUX MODIFICATIONS OF THE DISTRO POLICY VIA SELINUX USERSPACE TOOLING

SOMETIMES IT'S NOT NECESSARY TO CREATE
CUSTOM SELINUX POLICY, LOCAL MODIFICATION
CAN FIX IT.

APACHE HTTP SERVER WITH CHANGES IN THE DEFAULT CONFIGURATION

**httpd service configured to listen on tcp port 3131
instead of port 80**

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instead of port 80

**document root will be /var/test_www/ instead of
/var/www/**

Change in /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf

```
Listen 80 -> Listen 3131
```

```
DocumentRoot "/var/www/html" => DocumentRoot "/var/test_www/html"
```

```
<Directory "/var/www/html"> => <Directory "/var/test_www/html">
```

Change in /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf

```
# sed -i 's_Listen 80_Listen 3131_' /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf  
  
# sed -i 's_DocumentRoot "/var/www/html"_DocumentRoot  
"/var/test\_www/html"_' /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf  
  
# sed -i 's_<Directory "/var/www/html">_<Directory  
"/var/test\_www/html">_' /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf
```

APPLY CHANGES IN THE CONFIGURATION AND SEARCH FOR AVC DENIALS

```
# systemctl restart httpd  
# ausearch -m AVC -ts recent  
...
```

httpd service trying to bind on port 3131 instead of 80, this should be changed in SELinux policy

```
type=AVC msg=audit(1491948261.488:599): avc: denied { name_bind } for  
pid=5920 comm="httpd" src=3131 scontext=system_u:system_r:httpd_t:s0  
tcontext=system_u:object_r:unreserved_port_t:s0 tclass=tcp_socket
```

```
# sestatus -A -s httpd_t -t http_port_t -c tcp_socket -p name_bind
Found 1 semantic av rules:
    allow httpd_t http_port_t : tcp_socket name_bind ;

# semanage port -a -t http_port_t -p tcp 3131
# semanage port -l | grep http_port_t
http_port_t          tcp          3131, 80, 81, 443, 488, 8008,
8009, 8443, 9000
```

httpd service DocumentRoot is in /var/test_www/html and this directory has wrong label

```
type=AVC msg=audit(1491949594.146:622): avc: denied { read }  
for pid=6094 comm="httpd" name="index.html" dev="dm-0"  
ino=13485999 scontext=system_u:system_r:httpd_t:s0  
tcontext=unconfined_u:object_r:var_t:s0 tclass=file
```

```
# matchpathcon /var/test_www/html/index/html
/var/test_www/html/index/html  system_u:object_r:var_t:s0

# matchpathcon /var/www/html/index.html
/var/www/html/index.html  system_u:object_r:httpd_sys_content_t:s0

# semanage fcontext -a -t httpd_sys_content_t "/var/test_www(/.*)?"
# restorecon -Rv /var/
```



```
# semanage fcontext -l | grep httpd_sys_content_t | grep www
/var/www(/.*)?          all files
system_u:object_r:httpd_sys_content_t:s0
/var/test_www(/.*)?    all files
system_u:object_r:httpd_sys_content_t:s0
....
....
```

HTTPD SERVICE SELINUX DENIALS ARE FIXED WITHOUT WRITING CUSTOM POLICY!

LOCAL POLICY MODULE WRITTEN IN CIL

When system interface cannot be used (e.g: there is no such interface), it's possible to create local module in CIL language.

For example we have following AVC:

```
type=AVC msg=audit(1491942725.855:436): avc: denied { read }  
for pid=4874 comm="rhsummit" name="resolv.conf" dev="dm-0"  
ino=5051289 scontext=system_u:system_r:rhsummit_t:s0  
tcontext=system_u:object_r:net_conf_t:s0 tclass=file
```

```
# cat module.cil
(allow source_context target_type (class (permissions)))

# cat local_module.cil
(allow rhsummit_t net_conf_t (file (read open getattr)))

# semodule -i local_module.cil
# semodule -lfull | grep local_module
400 local_module    cil
```

QUESTIONS?

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