## Palo Alto Networks Stallion Spring Seminar -Tech Track

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## **About Palo Alto Networks**



- Palo Alto Networks is the Network Security Company
- World-class team with strong security and networking experience
  - Founded in 2005 by security visionary Nir Zuk
  - Top-tier investors
- Builds next-generation firewalls that identify / control 1000+ applications
  - Restores the firewall as the core of the enterprise network security infrastructure
  - Innovations: App-ID<sup>™</sup>, User-ID<sup>™</sup>, Content-ID<sup>™</sup>
- Global footprint: 1,000+ customers in 50+ countries, 24/7 support











## **Over 1,000 Organizations Trust Palo Alto Networks**



### Government



### Education





# History of the Firewall: Security v1.0 Packet Filters

### **Traditional Applications**

Internet

- DNS
- Gopher
- SMTP
- HTTP

- Dynamic Applications
- FTP
- RPC

Port 80 Port 443

- Java/RMI
- Multimedia

- Background
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- Typically embedded in routers
- Classify individual packets
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- Challenge
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## Security v1.0 Response: Rip Holes in Firewall

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- Flawed solution was to open large groups of ports
- Opened the entire network to attack



## Security v1.5: Stateful Inspection

### **Traditional Applications**

- DNS
- Gopher
- SMTP
- HTTP



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- RPC
- Java/RMI
- Multimedia



- Background
- Innovation created Check Point in 1994
- Used state table to fix packet filter shortcomings
- Classified traffic based on port numbers but in the context of a flow
- Challenge
- Cannot identify Evasive Applications
- Embedded throughout existing security products
- Impossible to retroactively fix



## **Applications Have Changed; Firewalls Have Not**

The gateway at the trust border is the right place to enforce policy control

- Sees all traffic
- Defines trust boundary

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• Packets ≠ Content

Need to restore visibility and control in the firewall



## **Applications Carry Risk**

## Applications can be "threats"

 P2P file sharing, tunneling applications, anonymizers, media/video

## Applications carry threats

SANS Top 20 Threats – majority are application-level threats



### Applications & application-level threats result in major breaches – Pfizer, VA, US Army

## **Enterprise 2.0 Applications and Risks Widespread**

- Palo Alto Networks' Application Usage & Risk Report highlights actual behavior of 1M+ users across more than 200 organizations
  - Enterprise 2.0 applications Twitter, Facebook, Sharepoint, and blog/wiki applications both frequency and use skyrocketing – for both personal and business use. Facebook extends social networking dominance to IM and webmail
  - Bottom line: despite all having firewalls, and most having IPS, proxies, & URL filtering none of these organizations could control what applications ran on their networks





## **Technology Sprawl & Creep Are Not The Answer**



- "More stuff" doesn't solve the problem
- Firewall "helpers" have limited view of traffic
- Complex and costly to buy and maintain
- Putting all of this in the same box is just slow



## **Traditional Multi-Pass Architectures are Slow**





## The Right Answer: Make the Firewall Do Its Job

### New Requirements for the Firewall

- 1. Identify applications regardless of port, protocol, evasive tactic or SSL
- 2. Identify users regardless of IP address
- 3. Protect in real-time against threats embedded across applications
- 4. Fine-grained visibility and policy control over application access / functionality
- 5. Multi-gigabit, in-line deployment with no performance degradation









## **Identification Technologies Transform the Firewall**



## **App-ID: Comprehensive Application Visibility**



- Policy-based control more than 1000 applications distributed across five categories and 25 sub-categories
- Balanced mix of business, internet and networking applications and networking protocols
- 3 5 new applications added weekly
- App override and custom HTTP/SSL applications address internal applications

## **User-ID: Enterprise Directory Integration**



- Users no longer defined solely by IP address
  - Leverage existing enterprise directory services (Active Directory, LDAP, eDirectory) without desktop agent rollout
  - Identify Citrix users and tie policies to user and group, not just the IP address
- Manage and enforce policy based on user and/or group
- Understand user application and threat behavior based on username, not just IP
- Investigate security incidents, generate custom reports
- XML API enables integration with other user repositories



## **Content-ID: Real-Time Content Scanning**



## Detect and block a wide range of threats, limit unauthorized data transfer and control non-work related web surfing

- Stream-based, not file-based, for real-time performance
  - Uniform signature engine scans for broad range of threats in single pass
  - Vulnerability exploits (IPS), viruses, and spyware (both downloads and phone-home)
- Block transfer of sensitive data and file transfers by type
  - Looks for CC # and SSN patterns
  - Looks into file to determine type not extension based
- Web filtering enabled via fully integrated URL database
  - Local 20M URL database (78 categories) maximizes performance (1,000's URLs/sec)
  - Dynamic DB and customizable categories adapts to local, regional, or industry focused surfing patterns



### Single-Pass Parallel Processing<sup>™</sup> (SP3) Architecture



### **Single Pass**

- Operations once per packet
  - Traffic classification (app identification)
  - User/group mapping
  - Content scanning threats, URLs, confidential data
- One policy

### **Parallel Processing**

- Function-specific parallel processing hardware engines
- Separate data/control planes

### Up to 10Gbps, Low Latency

## **Content-ID Uses Stream-Based Scanning**



- Stream-based, not file-based, for real-time performance
  - Dynamic reassembly
- Uniform signature engine scans for broad range of threats
  in single pass
- Threat detection covers vulnerability exploits (IPS), virus, and spyware (both downloads and phone-home)



## **Purpose-Built Architecture: PA-4000 Series**



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## **Palo Alto Networks Next-Generation Firewalls**

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### PA-4060

- 10 Gbps FW
- 5 Gbps threat prevention
- 2,000,000 sessions
- 4 XFP (10 Gig) I/O
- 4 SFP (1 Gig) I/O

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### PA-4050

- 10 Gbps FW
- 5 Gbps threat prevention
- 2,000,000 sessions
- 16 copper gigabit
- 8 SFP interfaces

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### PA-4020

- 2 Gbps FW
- 2 Gbps threat prevention
- 500,000 sessions
- 16 copper gigabit
- 8 SFP interfaces

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### PA-2050

- 1 Gbps FW
- 500 Mbps threat prevention
- 250,000 sessions
- 16 copper gigabit
- 4 SFP interfaces

## PA-2020

- 500 Mbps FW
- 200 Mbps threat prevention
- 125,000 sessions
- 12 copper gigabit
- 2 SFP interfaces

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### **PA-500**

- 250 Mbps FW
- 100 Mbps threat prevention
- 50,000 sessions
- 8 copper gigabit

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## **PAN-OS Core Firewall Features**

### Visibility and control of applications, users and content complement core firewall features

- Strong networking foundation
  - Dynamic routing (BGP, OSPF, RIPv2)
  - Tap mode connect to SPAN port
  - Virtual wire ("Layer 1") for true transparent in-line deployment
  - L2/L3 switching foundation
  - Policy-based forwarding
- VPN
  - Site-to-site IPSec VPN
  - SSL VPN
- QoS traffic shaping
  - Max/guaranteed and priority
  - By user, app, interface, zone, & more
  - Real-time bandwidth monitor

- Zone-based architecture
  - All interfaces assigned to security zones for policy enforcement
- High Availability
  - Active / passive
  - Configuration and session synchronization
  - Path, link, and HA monitoring
- Virtual Systems
  - Establish multiple virtual firewalls in a single device (PA-4000 and PA-2000 Series only)
- Simple, flexible management
  - CLI, Web, Panorama, SNMP, Syslog

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### Enables Visibility Into Applications, Users, and Content

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Category 2 🗹	Subcategory	Technology	Risk	Characteristic
116  business-systems    123  collaboration    73  general-internet    48  media    218  networking    2  unknown	auth-service  database  database  database  finercypted-tunnel  erp-orm  general-business  pinfrastructure  fis-ip-protocol  management	41 browser-based 129 client-server 160 network-protocol 4 peer-to-peer	179 <b>1</b> 63 <b>2</b> 49 <b>3</b> 17 <b>4</b> 26 <b>5</b>	107 Vulnerabilities 55 Prone to Misuse 159 Widely used 20 Excessive Bandwidth 103 Transfers Files 53 Evasive 44 Used by Malware 61 Tunnels Other Apps

	Name 🔺	Shared	Category	Subcategory	Risk	Technology	
	3pc	~	networking	ip-protocol	1	network-protocol	
۲	active-directory	~	business-systems	auth-service	2	client-server	1
۲	activenet	¥	networking	ip-protocol	1	network-protocol	1
۲	afp	~	business-systems	storage-backup	3	client-server	
	altiris	~	business-systems	management	1	client-server	1
۲	apc-powerchute	~	business-systems	general-business	2	client-server	1
۲	apple-airport	Ý	networking	infrastructure	2	network-protocol	1
۲	apple-update	~	business-systems	software-update	3	client-server	
	argus	~	networking	ip-protocol	1	network-protocol	1
۲	aris	~	networking	ip-protocol	1	network-protocol	1
۲	asproxy	Ý	networking	proxy	5	browser-based	1
۲	avamar	~	business-systems	storage-backup	2	client-server	
	avaya-phone-ping	~	business-systems	management	2	client-server	1
۲	avocent	~	networking	remote-access	3	client-server	
۲	avoidr	Ý	networking	proxy	5	browser-based	1
۲	backup-exec	~	business-systems	storage-backup	3	client-server	
	backweb	~	business-systems	erp-crm	1	browser-based	1
۲	bbn-rcc-mon	Ý	networking	ip-protocol	1	network-protocol	
	beinsync	~	networking	remote-access	2	client-server	1

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Top 5 Spyware	
Spyware	Count
MiniBug retrieve weather information	377
Testing	
Top 5 Vulnerabilities Vulnerability	Count
Top 5 Vulnerabilities Vulnerability WStats Remote Code Execution Vulnerability	Count
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Count

No matching data found!

### Application and Threat Summary Apr 09, 2008

User Behavior Top 5 Users			
User	Sessions	Bytes	
paloaltonetwork/binahara	743,869	53,737,432,686	
paloaltonetwork\bsi	557,999	1,855,589,371	
paloaltonetworklycheng	520,748	2,109,032,430	
paloaltonetwork/mjacobsen	156,793	4,230,857,356	
paloaitonetwork/akverma	131,483	6,900,749,079	

Top 5 URL Categories

Category	Count
nknown	93,844
frastructure	23,828
ews	14,870
omputing-and-internet	14,756
dvertisements-and-popups	13,643

Top 5 Destination Countries

Destination	Count
Reserved (10.0.0.0 - 10.255.255.255)	3,267,489
United States	1,166,207
Unknown	73,266
France	70,470
China	64,917

Threat Top 5 Attackers

Address	Count
10.0.0.67	30,365
d9ynymc1.paloaltonetworks.local	21,686
binahara-xp.paloaltonetworks.local	15,956
binahara-xp.paloaltonetworks.local	12,960
pan00097.paloaltonetworks.local	3,888
Top 5 Victims	
Address	Count

10.0.0.251	34,253
pa-dc-1.paloaltonetworks.local	8,89
pa-dc-2.paloaltonetworks.local	7,823
panserver.paloaltonetworks.local	7,22
panserver2.paloaltonetworks.local	6,095

Top 5 Attacker Countries

Country	Count
Reserved (10.0.0.0 - 10.255.255.255)	101,082
United States	377

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Category	Count
business	13,790
unknown	10,893
computing-and-internet	3,807
infrastructure	2,784
news	1,985
Top 5 Applications	

Application	Sessions	Bytes
skype-probe	957,518	485,701,118
unknown-udp	81,392	20,242,917
ssl	166,063	1,157,247,715
skype	133,752	65,618,460
msrpc	817,743	218,670,488,833

Top 5 Threats

Threat	Count
MiniBug retrieve weather information	6,890
SCAN: Host Sweep	15,956
Ipswitch Mail LDAP Deerron Request Parsing Stack Overflow Vulnerability	216

Trends

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