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Threat Hunting

Objectives:

- Discover data breaches through the careful examination of computer systems
- Define categories of Indicators of Compromise(IoCs)
- · List common IoCs
- What is threat hunting?
 - · Assuming a breach has already occurred
 - o 200 days before breaches are discovered
- How do we perform threat hunting?
 - o Hypothesize the most likely attack
 - Look for suspicious/malicious/risky activity based on that hypothesis
 - o Threat hunting can generate Indicators of Compromise (IoC) and alerts
- Can you explain the concept of an IoC?
 - o Evidence on a device that points to a security breach
 - Usually gathered AFTER a suspicious incident or security event
 - IoC data can be
 - Atomic
 - Self-contained data
 - IP address
 - Email address
 - Computed
 - Derived data
 - Hash values
 - Reg ex
 - Behavioral
 - Logically combining Atomic and Computed
- What are the IoC categories?
 - Email
 - Comprised of email artifacts
 - Sender's email address
 - Subject line
 - Attachments
 - Links
 - Network
 - Artifacts

- Domain info
- IP address
- Host-Based
 - Artifacts
 - File names
 - Hash values
 - Registry entries
 - Drivers
- Behavioral
 - Artifacts
 - Macros running PowerShell
 - Service accounts running commands like a user would
- Can you give us a few concrete examples of IoC?
 - o Anomalies found in Privileged User Activity
 - Red flags found in log-in activity
 - o Deviant DNS requests
 - Web traffic with inhuman behavior
 - Unusual activity in outbound network traffic
 - Geographical abnormalities
 - o Increased database read volume
 - Unusual HTML response sizes
 - o Changes in mobile device profiles
 - Signs of DDoS activity
 - Wrongly placed data bundles
 - Conflicting port-application traffic
 - More requests than usual for the same file
 - Unusual changes in registry and/or system files
 - o Abrupt patching of systems