
DATA INTEGRITY

Identifying and Protecting Assets Against Ransomware and Other Destructive Events

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This document describes a problem that is relevant to many industry sectors. NCCoE cybersecurity experts will address this challenge through collaboration with a community of interest, including vendors of cybersecurity solutions. The resulting reference design will detail an approach that can be incorporated across multiple sectors.

ABSTRACT

Ransomware, destructive malware, insider threats, and even honest user mistakes present ongoing threats to organizations. Organizations' data, such as database records, system files, configurations, user files, applications, and customer data, are all potential targets of data corruption, modification, and destruction. Formulating a defense against these threats requires two things: a thorough knowledge of the assets within the enterprise, and the protection of these assets against the threat of data corruption and destruction. The NCCoE, in collaboration with members of the business community and vendors of cybersecurity solutions, will build an example solution to address these data integrity challenges.

Multiple systems need to work together to identify and protect an organization's assets against the threat of corruption, modification, and destruction. This project explores methods to effectively identify assets (devices, data, and applications) that may become targets of data integrity attacks, as well as the vulnerabilities in the organization's system that facilitate these attacks. It also explores methods to protect these assets against data integrity attacks using backups, secure storage, integrity checking mechanisms, audit logs, vulnerability management, maintenance, and other potential solutions.

KEYWORDS

Data integrity, malware, ransomware, attack vector, malicious actor, data protection, asset awareness

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1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Purpose

To develop a successful defense against data integrity attacks, crucial steps must be taken before an attack ever takes place. Assets must be inventoried; backups must be made; audit procedures must be in place; asset integrity information must be recorded; and potential attack vectors must be identified and mitigated. With the exception of zero-day exploits and malicious privileged insiders, many data integrity attacks are preventable.

The project described in this document could help organizations identify and protect their assets from data integrity attacks. NCCoE projects include an architectural description and a reference design—an example solution—that addresses a technical challenge. Reference designs integrate commercial and open source products to demonstrate an implementation of standards and best practices. This project will result in a publicly available NIST Cybersecurity Practice Guide, a detailed implementation guide of the practical steps needed to implement a cybersecurity reference design that addresses this challenge.

Scope

This project will answer specific questions pertaining to identifying and protecting assets from data integrity attacks:

- What systems, users, applications, data sources, and other entities are on the network?
- What attack vectors are present?
- What protection is available for data prior to an attempted attack on data integrity?
- What processes can be implemented prior to an attack to ease detection, mitigation, and recovery later on?

This project will address:

- An inventory solution to allow for the identification of systems, applications, data sources, users, and other relevant entities that may be targets or facilitators of data integrity attacks.
- A file integrity solution to baseline these assets prior to an attack.
- A backup solution to pre-emptively protect assets against attack.
- A secure storage solution to pre-emptively protect assets (and backups) against attack.
- An audit log solution to collect activity during normal operations, which will help in comparisons against activity during an attack.
- A vulnerability management solution to identify and analyze vulnerabilities prior to an attack.
- A maintenance solution to manage software versioning and patch distribution.

This project will not address:

- Data security issues related to confidentiality or availability.

Assumptions/Challenges

Identifying Vulnerabilities

Zero-day vulnerabilities will be a challenge to this project. Because of the constant development and patching of existing systems and applications, vulnerability identification systems are constantly updating their databases to provide the best possible security for the systems they are analyzing. But often, vulnerabilities are not discovered in existing systems and applications until *after* they have been exploited. These types of attacks, zero-day exploits, rely on undetected vulnerabilities. A solution that aims to protect systems through the analysis of known vulnerabilities will inherently be vulnerable to zero-day attacks. Some solutions exist to detect zero-day vulnerabilities, but they cannot provide perfect security for a system: the creation of custom enterprise applications, the introduction of new platforms, and new malware obfuscation techniques will inevitably frustrate even the best vulnerability detection systems.

Protecting Against Insider Threats

Insider threats that cause data integrity events, whether accidentally or intentionally, are difficult to prevent. Pre-emptive measures can be taken to ensure that the impact of a malicious insider is recorded, and this guide will demonstrate those measures through audit logs and file integrity mechanisms. Secure storage and backups serve as an extra defense against insider threats. Access controls, which are the primary mechanism for preventing insider threats, are out of the scope of this project, which will focus on data, not users. Projects at the NCCoE that focus on access controls include NIST SP 1800-2: *Identity and Access Management*, NIST SP 1800-3: *Attribute Based Access Controls, Revision 2*, and NIST SP 1800-9: *Access Rights Management*, as well as other upcoming projects.

Implementation Decisions

There is a trade-off between the strength of protections on data and the time and resources spent maintaining those protections. Organizations should make decisions as to what data should be considered sensitive and warrant extra protections. This project will assume organizations can identify their sensitive data and tune the final reference architecture to suit their needs. We will aim to include, as part of the reference architecture, tools that will allow organizations to classify data as sensitive. However, we will not be able to provide guidance as to what data should be considered sensitive.

Background

In May 2017, the WannaCry ransomware infected more than 200,000 systems worldwide, causing widespread data loss. The ransomware exploited a vulnerability for which a patch was publicly released two months earlier. The Petya ransomware, which was discovered in 2016, used a vulnerability in an update system as an initial attack vector, and infected email attachments as a propagation vector. It attempted to encrypt both the user's files and the Master Boot Record (MBR). Solutions exist to scan email attachments, and proper maintenance and vulnerability management would have prevented the execution of this malware as soon as the exploit used was discovered. Furthermore, solutions exist to protect MBRs from modification, which could have mitigated the damage done by the Petya ransomware. In June 2017, Petya came back, and began using the *same* exploit that the WannaCry ransomware used, attacking servers worldwide, but having the most impact in Ukraine and Russia. Solutions exist that provide asset awareness and vulnerability management to prevent these types of attacks.

This project is a follow-on project to NCCoE's first Data Integrity project, NIST SP 1800-11, "Data Integrity: Recovering from Ransomware and Other Destructive Events." That project began by

working with organizations across a set of critical infrastructure industries. The NCCoE also met with representatives of the Financial Services Information Sharing and Analysis Center (FS-ISAC) for guidance, and worked with the FS-ISAC Destructive Malware Data Integrity Task Force to help scope the first project's challenge. These collaborations identified the need for a data integrity solution focused on recovery.

Additionally, the NCCoE held a workshop to identify key issues that affect consumer data protection, with workshop proceedings encapsulated in NISTIR 8050. Workshop participants identified data integrity (among other items) as a key cybersecurity issue that needs to be addressed, with many noting that malicious actors are continuously devising methods of corrupting data within organizations. The data corruption includes data modification as well as data destruction.

As this first project matured, additional topics arose that fell outside of the "Recover" phase of a data integrity attack, and aligned better with either "Identify," "Protect," "Detect," or "Respond" functions of the NIST Framework for Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity (referred to as the Cybersecurity Framework, or CSF). Thus, the evolution of the next two data integrity projects began. These projects have been broken into: (1) Identify and Protect and (2) Detect and Respond. The grouping was created due to the lifecycle of a data integrity attack. In the stages prior to the attack, organizations must be able to identify their infrastructure and develop a protection capability. During an attack, organizations must be able to detect the occurrence and respond in accordance with their response plan. After an attack, organizations must be able to recover. The data integrity projects have been developed in accordance to this methodology.

2 SCENARIOS

The example scenarios below illustrate some of the challenges this project will address. The relevant functions and categories from the CSF that can be employed to mitigate the events throughout the attack are listed below. The specific CSF subcategories are listed in parentheses in each table.

Scenario 1: Ransomware

For financial gain, an organized crime group has set up a seemingly legitimate domain with destructive malware disguised as a legitimate virus-scanning program. Once installed, it encrypts the organization's file system and demands a ransom payment to decrypt the files. Left unmitigated, the malware on one system is designed to move laterally within the network to other client and server systems within an organization's network, encrypting those systems and demanding ransom in exchange for their files.

The project addresses Identify and Protect CSF categories.

- Before ransomware is downloaded from a phishing site.
 - Identify:
 - Inventory of systems (ID.AM-1, ID.AM-2)
 - Identification of vulnerabilities (ID.RA-1, ID.RA-2, ID.RA-5, DE.CM-8)
 - Protect:
 - Network vulnerabilities are mitigated (PR.IP-12, RS.MI-3).
 - Host vulnerabilities are mitigated (PR.IP-12, RS.MI-3).
 - Create backups (PR.IP-4, PR.DS-1).
 - Utilize secure storage (PR.DS-1).
 - File system integrity information is baselined (PR.DS-6).
 - Logs of normal activity are captured (PR.PT-1).
 - Maintenance infrastructure for vulnerability mitigation is operational (PR.MA-2).

The project does not address these Detect, Respond, and Recover categories.

- User visits a phishing site.
 - Detect: Phishing site is identified as malicious (PR.DS-6, DE.AE-5, DE.CM-5, DE.DP-2, RS.CO-2).
 - Respond: Download is stopped (PR.DS-6, DE.AE-5, DE.CM-5, DE.DP-2, RS.CO-2).
 - Detect/Respond: Malware scans are performed to identify impact (DE.AE-2, DE.AE-3, DE.AE-4, RS.AN-1, RS.AN-2, RS.AN-3, RS.AN-4).
 - Respond: Phishing site is added to list of blocked sites (RS.RP-1, RS.MI-1, RS.MI-2).
- Ransomware is downloaded from the phishing site.
 - Detect: Ransomware executable is identified as malicious (DE.AE-5, DE.CM-4, DE.CM-7, DE.DP-2, RS.CO-2).
 - Detect/Respond: Ransomware executable is contained, sandboxed, and analyzed (DE.AE-2, DE.AE-3, DE.AE-4, RS.AN-1, RS.AN-2, RS.AN-3, RS.AN-4).
 - Respond: Ransomware executable is added to blacklist or blocked by whitelist, and security is notified of breach (RS.RP-1, RS.MI-1, RS.MI-2).
- Ransomware executes and attempts to move laterally and communicate with home server.
 - Detect: Ransomware communication is intercepted (DE.AE-1, DE.AE-5, DE.CM-1, DE.CM-7, DE.DP-2, RS.CO-2).
 - Respond: Network movement is analyzed and contained, and malware is removed from affected systems (DE.AE-2, DE.AE-3, DE.AE-4, RS.AN-1, RS.AN-2, RS.AN-4, RS.RP-1, RS.MI-1, RS.MI-2).

Scenario 2: Data Destruction Malware

An adversary wishing to impact organization's operations leaves several infected Universal Serial Bus (USB) drives in the parking lot of the building. When an unsuspecting employee plugs in the drive, it immediately modifies text files and deletes media files on the user's machine.

The project addresses Identify and Protect CSF categories.

- Before a USB containing destructive malware is inserted.
 - Identify:
 - Inventory of systems (ID.AM-1, ID.AM-2)
 - Identification of vulnerabilities (ID.RA-1, ID.RA-2, ID.RA-5, DE.CM-8)
 - Protect:
 - Network vulnerabilities are mitigated (PR.IP-12, RS.MI-3).
 - Host vulnerabilities are mitigated (PR.IP-12, RS.MI-3).
 - Create backups (PR.IP-4, PR.DS-1).
 - Utilize secure storage (PR.DS-1).
 - File system integrity information is baselined (PR.DS-6).
 - Logs of normal activity are captured (PR.PT-1).
 - Maintenance infrastructure for vulnerability mitigation is operational (PR.MA-2).

The project does not address these Detect, Respond, and Recover categories.

- User inserts an infected USB drive.
 - Detect: USB is identified as malicious (DE.AE-5, DE.CM-4, DE.CM-7, DE.DP-2, RS.CO-2).
 - Respond: Autorun is halted (DE.AE-5, DE.CM-4, DE.CM-7, DE.DP-2, RS.CO-2).
- The USB drive attempts to execute the malware.
 - Detect/Respond: USB's executable is contained, sandboxed, and analyzed (DE.AE-2, DE.AE-3, DE.AE-4, RS.AN-1, RS.AN-2, RS.AN-3, RS.AN-4).
 - Respond: USB's executable is added to blacklist or blocked by whitelist, and security is notified of breach (RS.RP-1, RS.MI-1, RS.MI-2).
- Malware executes and attempts to modify the system's files.
 - Respond: Malware origin is identified and USB is removed (RS.RP-1, RS.MI-1, RS.MI-2).
 - Recover: Backups are used to remediate the damage (RC.RP-1).

Scenario 3: Virtual Machine Data Loss

A privileged user running automatic maintenance on the organization's virtual machines (VMs) accidentally deletes one of the VMs. The user does not immediately notice the accidental deletion.

The project addresses Identify and Protect CSF categories.

- Before the accidental change happens.
 - Identify:
 - Inventory of virtual machines (ID.AM-2)
 - Protect:
 - Create virtual machine backups (PR.IP-4, PR.DS-1).
 - Utilize secure storage (PR.DS-1).
 - Logs of normal virtual activity are captured (PR.PT-1).

The project does not address these Detect, Respond, and Recover categories.

- Maintenance script deletes a VM.
 - Detect: VM deletion is identified as abnormal (DE.AE-5, DE.CM-3, DE.CM-7, DE.DP-2, RS.CO-2).
 - Detect/Respond: Impact of VM deletion is analyzed (DE.AE-2, DE.AE-3, DE.AE-4, RS.AN-1, RS.AN-2, RS.AN-3, RS.AN-4).
 - Respond: Security team is notified about VM deletion (RS.RP-1, RS.MI-1, RS.MI-2).
 - Recover: Virtual Machine backups are used to remediate the damage (RC.RP-1).

Scenario 4: Server Permissions Change

An adversary wishing to gain access to an organization's operations launches a spear-phishing campaign against privileged individuals in the target organization, using an infected email attachment. When one of the users opens the attachment, the malware immediately begins creating back doors for the adversary to use at a later point.

The project addresses Identify and Protect CSF categories.

- Before the spear-phishing email is received.
 - Identify:
 - Inventory of systems (ID.AM-1, ID.AM-2)
 - Inventory of account structure (ID.AM-2, ID.AM-3)
 - Identification of vulnerabilities (ID.RA-1, ID.RA-2, ID.RA-5, DE.CM-8)
 - Protect:
 - Network vulnerabilities are mitigated (PR.IP-12, RS.MI-3).
 - Host vulnerabilities are mitigated (PR.IP-12, RS.MI-3).
 - Create system state backups (PR.IP-4, PR.DS-1).
 - Utilize secure storage for these backups (PR.DS-1).
 - Logs of administrator activity are captured (PR.PT-1).

The project does not address these Detect, Respond, and Recover categories.

- User receives spear-phishing email.
 - Detect: Email is identified as a phishing email (PR.DS-6, DE.AE-5, DE.CM-5, DE.DP-2, RS.CO-2).
 - Detect/Respond: Malware scans are performed to identify impact (DE.AE-2, DE.AE-3, DE.AE-4, RS.AN-1, RS.AN-2, RS.AN-3, RS.AN-4).
 - Respond: Security team is notified about phishing attempt and email is automatically moved to spam across the enterprise (RS.RP-1, RS.MI-1, RS.MI-2).
- User downloads infected email attachment.
 - Detect: Attachment is identified as infected (DE.AE-2, DE.AE-3, DE.AE-4, RS.AN-1, RS.AN-2, RS.AN-3, RS.AN-4).
 - Detect/Respond: Attachment executable is contained, sandboxed, and analyzed (DE.AE-2, DE.AE-3, DE.AE-4, RS.AN-1, RS.AN-2, RS.AN-3, RS.AN-4).
 - Respond: Attachment is added to blacklist or blocked by whitelist, and security is notified of potential breach (RS.RP-1, RS.MI-1, RS.MI-2).
- User opens infected email attachment and malware executes.
 - Detect: Back door creation is logged and flagged as suspicious (DE.AE-2, DE.AE-3, DE.AE-4, RS.AN-1, RS.AN-2, RS.AN-3, RS.AN-4).
 - Detect: Network activity related to these back doors is intercepted (RS.RP-1, RS.MI-1, RS.MI-2).
 - Respond: Security is notified of suspicious activity and back doors are disabled (RS.RP-1, RS.MI-1, RS.MI-2).
 - Recover: System state backups are used to restore the account structure (RC.RP-1).

Scenario 5: Database Metadata Change

An insider working for a competitor seeking to disrupt an organization's operations makes changes to the database structure. These changes leave the applications relying on the affected database tables unable to function properly.

The project addresses Identify and Protect CSF categories.

- Before the insider makes changes to the database structure.
 - Identify:
 - Inventory of database structure (ID.AM-2)
 - Inventory of systems relying on the database (ID.AM-1, ID.AM-2)
 - Identification of vulnerabilities (ID.RA-1, ID.RA-2, ID.RA-5, DE.CM-8)
 - Protect:
 - Network vulnerabilities are mitigated (PR.IP-12, RS.MI-3).
 - Host vulnerabilities are mitigated (PR.IP-12, RS.MI-3).
 - Create database backups (PR.IP-4, PR.DS-1).
 - Logs of queries are captured (PR.PT-1).
 - Database structure is baselined with integrity monitoring tool (PR.DS-6).

The project does not address these Detect, Respond, and Recover categories.

- Insider changes directory structure.
 - Detect/Respond: Structure changes to the database and the associated user are noticed and reported (DE.AE-5, DE.CM-3, DE.CM-7, DE.DP-2, RS.CO-2).
 - Detect/Respond: Errors in connecting to the database and other impacted systems are noticed and reported (DE.AE-2, DE.AE-3, DE.AE-4, RS.AN-1, RS.AN-2, RS.AN-3, RS.AN-4).
 - Respond: Security is notified of abnormal user activity (RS.RP-1, RS.MI-1, RS.MI-2).
 - Recover: Database backups are used to restore the database structure (RC.RP-1).

Scenario 6: Insider File Changes

An insider seeking to gain shares in the company acquires the credentials of an administrator. Using these credentials, he searches for his name in the company records and backup records, attempting to increase the number of shares he receives as part of his yearly salary.

The project addresses Identify and Protect CSF categories.

- Before the insider makes changes to the records.
 - Identify:
 - Inventory of systems (ID.AM-1, ID.AM-2)
 - Inventory of account structure (ID.AM-2, ID.AM-3)
 - Identification of vulnerabilities (ID.RA-1, ID.RA-2, ID.RA-5, DE.CM-8)
 - Protect:
 - Network vulnerabilities are mitigated (PR.IP-12, RS.MI-3).
 - Host vulnerabilities are mitigated (PR.IP-12, RS.MI-3).
 - Create backups of data (PR.IP-4, PR.DS-1).
 - Backups are encrypted and protected (PR.IP-4, PR.DS-1).
 - Logs of file changes are captured (PR.PT-1).
 - File changes are baselined by integrity monitoring tool (PR.DS-6).

The project does not address these Detect, Respond, and Recover categories.

- Insider changes organization's records.
 - Detect/Respond: Changes to the file and the associated user are noticed and reported (DE.AE-5, DE.CM-3, DE.CM-7, DE.DP-2, RS.CO-2).
 - Detect/Respond: Impact of file change is analyzed (DE.AE-2, DE.AE-3, DE.AE-4, RS.AN-1, RS.AN-2, RS.AN-3, RS.AN-4).
 - Respond: Security is notified of abnormal user activity (RS.RP-1, RS.MI-1, RS.MI-2).
 - Recover: Backups are used to restore the files (RC.RP-1).

Scenario 7: Compromised Update Server

During routine machine updates, an update is downloaded and installed that contains a back door. A malicious outsider then uses this back door to gain unauthorized access to the machine.

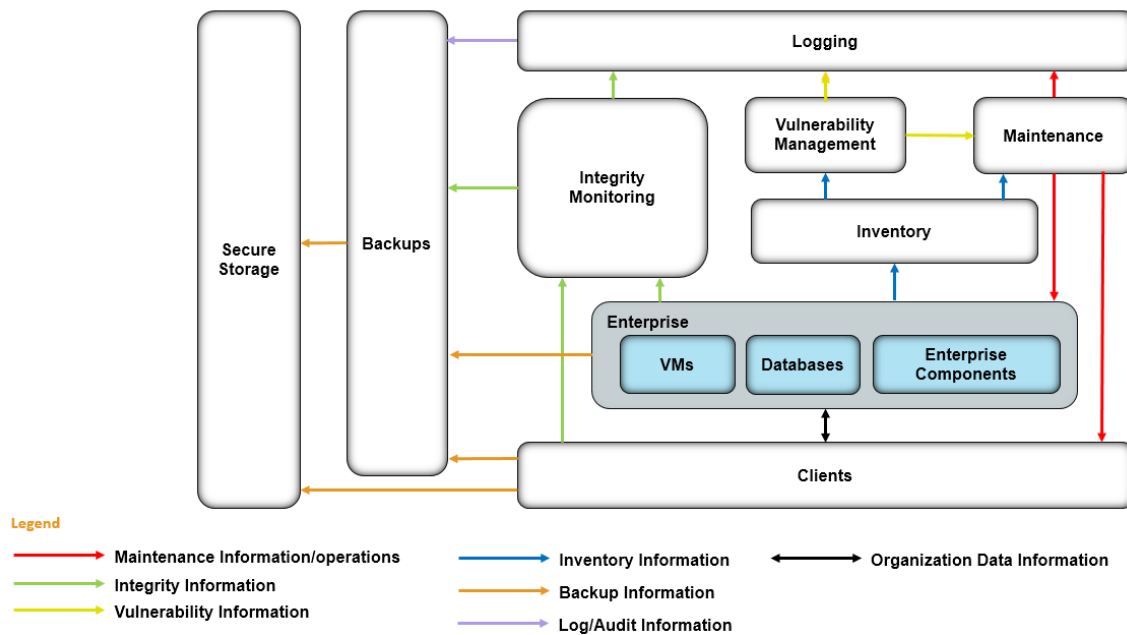
The project addresses these Identify and Protect CSF categories.

- Before the compromised update is downloaded and installed.
 - Identify:
 - Inventory of systems (ID.AM-1, ID.AM-2)
 - Identification of vulnerabilities (ID.RA-1, ID.RA-2, ID.RA-5, DE.CM-8)
 - Protect:
 - Network vulnerabilities are mitigated (PR.IP-12, RS.MI-3).
 - Host vulnerabilities are mitigated (PR.IP-12, RS.MI-3).
 - Create backups of data (PR.IP-4, PR.DS-1).
 - Backups are encrypted and protected (PR.IP-4, PR.DS-1).
 - Logs of file changes are captured (PR.PT-1).
 - File changes are baselined by integrity monitoring tool (PR.DS-6)
 - Maintenance infrastructure for vulnerability mitigation is operational (PR.MA-2).

The project does not address these Detect, Respond, and Recover categories.

- Compromised update is downloaded.
 - Detect: Update site is identified as malicious (PR.DS-6, DE.AE-5, DE.CM-5, DE.DP-2, RS.CO-2).
 - Respond: Download is stopped (PR.DS-6, DE.AE-5, DE.CM-5, DE.DP-2, RS.CO-2).
 - Detect/Respond: Malware scans are performed to identify impact (DE.AE-2, DE.AE-3, DE.AE-4, RS.AN-1, RS.AN-2, RS.AN-3, RS.AN-4).
 - Respond: Update is added to list of blocked downloads (RS.RP-1, RS.MI-1, RS.MI-2).
- Compromised update is installed.
 - Detect: Update is identified as malicious (DE.AE-5, DE.CM-4, DE.CM-7, DE.DP-2, RS.CO-2).
 - Detect/Respond: Update is contained, sandboxed, and analyzed (DE.AE-2, DE.AE-3, DE.AE-4, RS.AN-1, RS.AN-2, RS.AN-3, RS.AN-4).
 - Respond: Update is added to blacklist or blocked by whitelist, and security is notified of breach (RS.RP-1, RS.MI-1, RS.MI-2).
 - Recover: Backups are used to remediate the damage (RC.RP-1).
- Malicious outsider accesses the machine using the backdoor.
 - Detect: Unauthorized communication is intercepted (DE.AE-1, DE.AE-5, DE.CM-1, DE.CM-7, DE.DP-2, RS.CO-2).
 - Respond: Update is removed from affected systems (DE.AE-2, DE.AE-3, DE.AE-4, RS.AN-1, RS.AN-2, RS.AN-4, RS.RP-1, RS.MI-1, RS.MI-2)

3 HIGH-LEVEL ARCHITECTURE



The above figure identifies a high-level architecture of the enterprise system and the associated components for this project. During the development of the laboratory environment implementing this project, the figure will be refined to describe detailed components and mapped to the physical architecture in the lab environment for the specific scenario being implemented. A goal of this figure is to help spur identification of project participants and hardware and software components for collaborative use in a laboratory environment to build open, standards-based, modular, end-to-end reference designs.

Component List

Data integrity solutions for this project include, but are not limited, to:

- secure storage
- file integrity checking mechanisms
- backup capability for databases, VMs, and file systems
- vulnerability management and identification software
 - signature based vulnerability detection
 - behavior based vulnerability detection
 - zero-day vulnerability detection
- log collection software
- network defense
 - network mapping
 - network segmentation
- asset inventory software
 - asset management
 - asset discovery

- maintenance software
 - software versioning
 - software distribution
 - update verification

Desired Solution Characteristics

To address the scenarios in Section 2, this project will use a selection of commercially available technologies to demonstrate the security and functional characteristics of a data integrity solution designed to satisfy the Identify and Protect functions of the CSF. The solution shall:

- inventory assets, both part of the enterprise and the solution itself
- be secure against integrity attacks against hosts
- be secure against integrity attacks that occur on the network
- support secure backups
- provide protected network and remote access
- provide audit capabilities

4 RELEVANT STANDARDS AND GUIDANCE

- Office of Management and Budget Circular Number A-130 – Managing Information as a Strategic Resource
<https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/sites/default/files/omb/assets/OMB/circulars/a130/a130revised.pdf>
- NIST FIPS 140-2 – Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules
<http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/fips/fips140-2/fips1402.pdf>
- NIST SP 800-37 Rev. 1 – Guide for Applying the Risk Management Framework to Federal Information Systems: A Security Lifecycle Approach
<http://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/SpecialPublications/NIST.SP.800-37r1.pdf>
- NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 – Security and Privacy Controls for Federal Information Systems and Organizations
<http://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/SpecialPublications/NIST.SP.800-53r4.pdf>
- NIST SP 800-57 Part 1 Revision 4 – Recommendation for Key Management: Part 1 – General
<http://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/SpecialPublications/NIST.SP.800-57pt1r4.pdf>
- NIST SP 800-61 Rev. 2 – Computer Security Incident Handling Guide
<http://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/SpecialPublications/NIST.SP.800-61r2.pdf>
- NIST SP 800-83 Rev. 1 – Guide to Malware Incident Prevention and Handling
<http://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/SpecialPublications/NIST.SP.800-83r1.pdf>
- NIST SP 800-150 – Guide to Cyber Threat Information Sharing
<http://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/SpecialPublications/NIST.SP.800-150.pdf>
- NIST SP 800-160 – Systems Security Engineering: An Integrated Approach to Building Trustworthy Resilient Systems
<http://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/SpecialPublications/NIST.SP.800-160.pdf>

- NIST SP 800-184 – Guide for Cybersecurity Event Recover for Federal Information and Information Systems
<http://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/SpecialPublications/NIST.SP.800-184.pdf>
- NIST Framework for Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity, Draft Version 1.1
<https://www.nist.gov/sites/default/files/documents/draft-cybersecurity-framework-v1.11.pdf>

5 SECURITY CONTROL MAP

This table maps the characteristics of the commercial products that the NCCoE will apply to this cybersecurity challenge to the applicable standards and best practices described in the Framework for Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity (CSF), and other NIST activities. This exercise is meant to demonstrate the real-world applicability of standards and best practices, but does not imply that products with these characteristics will meet your industry's requirements for regulatory approval or accreditation.

Table 1: Security Control Map

Solution Characteristic	NIST CSF Category	Informative References	Relevant Industry Standards
Inventory assets both part of the enterprise and the solution itself	ID.AM-1, ID.AM-2	CCS CSC 1, 2 COBIT 5 BAI09.01, BAI09.02, BAI09.05 ISA 62443-2-1:2009 4.2.3.4 ISA 62443-3-3:2013 SR 7.8 ISO/IEC 27001:2013 A.8.1.1, A.8.1.2 NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 CM-8	
Be secure against integrity attacks against hosts	ID.RA-1, ID.RA-2, ID.RA-5, DE.CM-8, PR.DS-1, PR.DS-6, PR.IP-1, PR.IP-3, PR.IP-5, PR.IP-9, PR.IP-10, PR.IP-12, PR.MA-1, PR.PT-2, RS.MI-3	CCS CSC 3, 4, 10, 17 COBIT 5 APO12.01, APO12.02, APO12.03, APO12.04, APO13.01, BAI01.06, BAI03.10, BAI06.01, BAI09.03, BAI10.01, BAI10.02, BAI10.03, BAI10.05, DSS01.04, DSS04.03, DSS05.02, DSS05.05 ISA 62443-2-1:2009 4.2.3, 4.2.3.1, 4.2.3.7, 4.2.3.9, 4.2.3.12, 4.3.2.5.3, 4.3.2.5.7, 4.3.3.3.1, 4.3.3.3.2, 4.3.3.3.3, 4.3.3.3.5, 4.3.3.3.6, 4.3.3.3.7, 4.3.4.3.2, 4.3.4.3.3, 4.3.4.5.1, 4.3.4.5.11 ISA 62443-3-3:2013 SR 2.3, SR 3.1, SR 3.3, SR 3.4, SR 3.8, SR 7.6 ISO/IEC 27001:2013 A.6.1.4, A.8.2.2, A.8.2.3, A.8.3.1, A.8.3.3, A.11.1.2, A.11.1.4, A.11.2.1, A.11.2.2, A.11.2.3, A.11.2.4, A.11.2.5, A.11.2.9, A.12.1.2, A.12.2.1, A.12.5.1, A.12.6.1, A.12.6.2, A.14.1.2, A.14.1.3,	PCI-DSS 5.1.1, 5.2, 6.1, 6.5, 11.5 HIPAA 164.312.c.1, 164.312.c.2

		A.14.2.2, A.14.2.3, A.14.2.4, A16.1.1, A.17.1.1, A.17.1.2, A.17.1.3, A.18.2.3, A.18.2.2 NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 CA-2, CA-7, CA-8, CM-2, CM-3, CM-4, CM-5, CM-6, CM-7, CM-9, CP-2, CP-4, IR-3, IR-8, MA-2, MA-3, MA-5, MP-2, MP-4, MP-5, MP-7, PM-14, PM-15, PM-16, RA-2, RA-3, RA-5, SA-5, SA-10, SA-11, SI-2, SI-4, SI-5, SI-7	
Be secure against integrity attacks that occur on the network	PR.AC-5, PR.DS-2, PR.IP-9, PR.IP-10, PR.MA-2, PR.PT-4	CCS CSC 7, 17 COBIT 5 APO01.06, APO13.01, DSS04.03, DSS05.02, DSS05.04, DSS06.06 ISA 62443-2-1:2009 4.3.2.5.3, 4.3.2.5.7, 4.3.3.4, 4.3.3.6.5, 4.3.3.6.6, 4.3.3.6.7, 4.3.4.5.1, 4.3.4.5.11, 4.4.4.6.8 ISA 62443-3-3:2013 SR 3.1, SR 3.3, SR 3.8, SR 4.1, SR 4.2 ISO/IEC 27001:2013 A.8.2.3, A.11.2.4, A.13.1.1, A.13.1.3, A.13.2.1, A.14.1.2, A.14.1.3, A.15.1.1, A.15.2.1, A.16.1.1, A.17.1.1, A.17.1.2, A.17.1.3 NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 CP-2, CP-4, IR-3, IR-8, MA-4, PM-14, SC-8	PCI-DSS 4.1 HIPAA 164.312.e.1
Support secure backups	PR.IP-4, PR.DS-1	CCS CSC 17 COBIT 5 APO07.03, APO13.01 ISA 62443-2-1:2009 4.3.2.4.2, 4.3.4.3.9 ISA 62443-3-3:2013 SR 3.4, SR 4.1, SR 7.3, SR 7.4 ISO/IEC 27001:2013 A.8.2.3, A.12.3.1, A.17.1.2A.17.1.3, A.18.1.3 NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 CP-4, CP-6, CP-9, SC-28	HIPAA 164.308.a.7.ii.A
Provide protected network and remote access	PR.AC-1, PR.AC-3, PR.AC-4, PR.AC-5, PR.MA-2, PR.PT-3, PR.PT-4	CCS CSC 12, 15, 16 COBIT 5 APO13.01, DSS01.04, DSS05.02, DSS05.03, DSS05.04, DSS06.03 ISA 62443-2-1:2009 4.3.3.5.1, 4.3.3.5.2, 4.3.3.5.3, 4.3.3.5.4, 4.3.3.5.5, 4.3.3.5.6, 4.3.3.5.7, 4.3.3.5.8, 4.3.3.6.1, 4.3.3.6.2, 4.3.3.6.3, 4.3.3.6.4, 4.3.3.6.5, 4.3.3.6.6, 4.3.3.6.7, 4.3.3.6.8, 4.3.3.6.9, 4.3.3.7.1, 4.3.3.7.2, 4.3.3.7.3, 4.3.3.7.4, 4.4.4.6.8	PCI-DSS 7.1 HIPAA 164.308.a.3.ii.B, 164.312.a.1

		<p>ISA 62443-3-3:2013 SR 1.1, SR 1.2, SR 1.3, SR 1.4, SR 1.5, SR 1.6, SR 1.7, SR 1.8, SR 1.9, SR 1.10, SR 1.11, SR 1.12, SR 1.13, SR 2.1, SR 2.2, SR 2.3, SR 2.4, SR 2.5, SR 2.6, SR 2.7</p> <p>ISO/IEC 27001:2013 A.6.1.2, A.6.2.2, A.9.1.2, A.9.2.1, A.9.2.2, A.9.2.3, A.9.2.4, A.9.3.1, A.9.4.1, A.9.4.2, A.9.4.3, A.9.4.4, A.11.2.4, A.13.1.1, A.13.2.1, A.15.1.1, A.15.2.1</p> <p>NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 AC-2, AC-3, AC-5, AC-6, AC-16, AC-17, AC-19, AC-20, CM-7, IA Family, MA-4</p>	
Provide audit capabilities	PR.PT-1	<p>CCS CSC 14</p> <p>COBIT 5 APO11.04</p> <p>ISA 62443-2-1:2009 4.3.3.3.9, 4.3.3.5.8, 4.3.4.4.7, 4.4.2.1, 4.4.2.2, 4.4.2.4</p> <p>ISA 62443-3-3:2013 SR 2.8, SR 2.9, SR 2.10, SR 2.11, SR 2.12</p> <p>ISO/IEC 27001:2013 A.12.4.1, A.12.4.2, A.12.4.3, A.12.4.4, A.12.7.1</p> <p>NIST SP 800-53 Rev. 4 AU Family</p>	<p>PCI-DSS 10.1, 10.2</p> <p>HIPAA 164.308.a.5.ii.C, 164.312.b</p>

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APPENDIX B ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Provide a list of alphabetized acronyms and abbreviations spelled out here, using a borderless table.

CSF	Cybersecurity Framework
FIPS	Federal Information Processing Standard
FS-ISAC	Financial Sector Information Sharing and Analysis Center
ISAC	Information Sharing and Analysis Center
MBR	Master Boot Record
NCCoE	National Cybersecurity Center of Excellence
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
SP	Special Publication
USB	Universal Serial Bus
VM	Virtual Machine

APPENDIX C GLOSSARY

Access Control	<p>The process of granting or denying specific requests to 1) obtain and use information and related information processing services, and 2) enter specific physical facilities (e.g., federal buildings, military establishments, border crossing entrances).</p> <p>SOURCE: FIPS 201; CNSSI-4009</p>
Adversary	<p>Individual, group, organization, or government that conducts or has the intent to conduct detrimental activities.</p> <p>SOURCE: SP 800-30</p>
Analysis	<p>The examination of acquired data for its significance and probative value to the case.</p> <p>SOURCE: SP 800-72</p>
Asset	<p>A major application, general support system, high-impact program, physical plant, mission-critical system, personnel, equipment, or a logically related group of systems.</p> <p>SOURCE: CNSSI-4009</p>
Attack	<p>Any kind of malicious activity that attempts to collect, disrupt, deny, degrade, or destroy information system resources or the information itself.</p> <p>SOURCE: CNSSI-4009</p>
Audit Log	<p>A chronological record of system activities. Includes records of system accesses and operations performed in a given period.</p> <p>SOURCE: CNSSI-4009</p>
Back Door	<p>Typically unauthorized hidden software or hardware mechanism used to circumvent security controls.</p> <p>SOURCE: CNSSI-4009</p>
Backup	<p>A copy of files and programs made to facilitate recovery.</p> <p>SOURCE: SP 800-34; CNSSI-4009</p>
Baselining	<p>Monitoring resources to determine typical utilization patterns so that significant deviations can be detected.</p> <p>SOURCE: SP 800-61</p>
Blacklist	<p>A list of discrete entities, such as hosts or applications, that have been previously determined to be associated with malicious activity.</p> <p>SOURCE: SP 800-94</p>
Cybersecurity	<p>The ability to protect or defend the use of cyberspace from cyber attacks.</p>

	SOURCE: CNSSI-4009
Data	A subset of information in an electronic format that allows it to be retrieved or transmitted. SOURCE: CNSSI-4009
Data Integrity	The property that data has not been changed, destroyed, or lost in an unauthorized or accidental manner. SOURCE: CNSSI-4009
Data Loss	The alteration or deletion of proprietary, sensitive, personal, or otherwise critical data. Note: The definition in NIST IR 7298 describes data loss as a loss of confidentiality, for example, where data is stolen and leaked. Here, we refer to data loss as data being destroyed in some way.
Decryption	Conversion of ciphertext to plaintext through the use of a cryptographic algorithm. SOURCE: FIPS 185
Encryption	Conversion of plaintext to ciphertext through the use of a cryptographic algorithm. SOURCE: FIPS 185
Enterprise	An organization with a defined mission/goal and a defined boundary, using information systems to execute that mission, and with responsibility for managing its own risks and performance. An enterprise may consist of all or some of the following business aspects: acquisition, program management, financial management (e.g., budgets), human resources, security, and information systems, information and mission management. SOURCE: CNSSI-4009
Incident	A violation or imminent threat of violation of computer security policies, acceptable use policies, or standard security practices. SOURCE: SP 800-61
Impact	The magnitude of harm that can be expected to result from the consequences of unauthorized disclosure of information, unauthorized modification of information, unauthorized destruction of information, or loss of information or information system availability. SOURCE: SP 800-60
Malware	A program that is inserted into a system, usually covertly, with the intent of compromising the confidentiality, integrity, or availability of the victim's data, applications, or operating system or of otherwise annoying or disrupting the victim. SOURCE: SP 800-83

Master Boot Record	A section of partitioned drives that describes how information is stored on the drive. It also usually loads the installed operating system.
Mobile Code	<p>Software programs or parts of programs obtained from remote information systems, transmitted across a network, and executed on a local information system without explicit installation or execution by the recipient.</p> <p>Note: Some examples of software technologies that provide the mechanisms for the production and use of mobile code include Java, JavaScript, ActiveX, VBScript, etc.</p> <p>SOURCE: CNSSI-4009</p>
Phishing	<p>Tricking individuals into disclosing sensitive personal information through deceptive computer-based means.</p> <p>SOURCE: SP 800-83</p>
Quarantine	<p>Storing files containing malware in isolation for future disinfection or examination.</p> <p>SOURCE: SP 800-69</p>
Ransomware	A type of malware that encrypts data on a system, usually with the goal of selling the data back to the owner for money.
Security	<p>A condition that results from the establishment and maintenance of protective measures that enable an enterprise to perform its mission or critical functions despite risks posed by threats to its use of information systems. Protective measures may involve a combination of deterrence, avoidance, prevention, detection, recovery, and correction that should form part of the enterprise's risk management approach.</p> <p>SOURCE: CNSSI-4009</p>
Threat	<p>Any circumstance or event with the potential to adversely impact organizational operations (including mission, functions, image, or reputation), organizational assets, individuals, other organizations, or the nation through an information system via unauthorized access, destruction, disclosure, modification of information, and/or denial of service.</p> <p>SOURCE: SP 800-53; SP 800-53A; SP 800-27; SP 800-60; SP 800-37; CNSSI-4009</p>
Virus	<p>A computer program that can copy itself and infect a computer without permission or knowledge of the user. A virus might corrupt or delete data on a computer, use email programs to spread itself to other computers, or even erase everything on a hard disk.</p> <p>SOURCE: CNSSI-4009</p>

Vulnerability	Weakness in an information system, system security procedures, internal controls, or implementation that could be exploited or triggered by a threat source. SOURCE: SP 800-53; SP 800-53A; SP 800-37; SP 800-60; SP 800-115; FIPS 200
Zero-day Exploit	An attack on an information system that makes use of a zero-day vulnerability.
Zero-day Vulnerability	A vulnerability in an existing system or application that is unknown to the vendor.