

SNORT

OpenSource Intrusion Detection System

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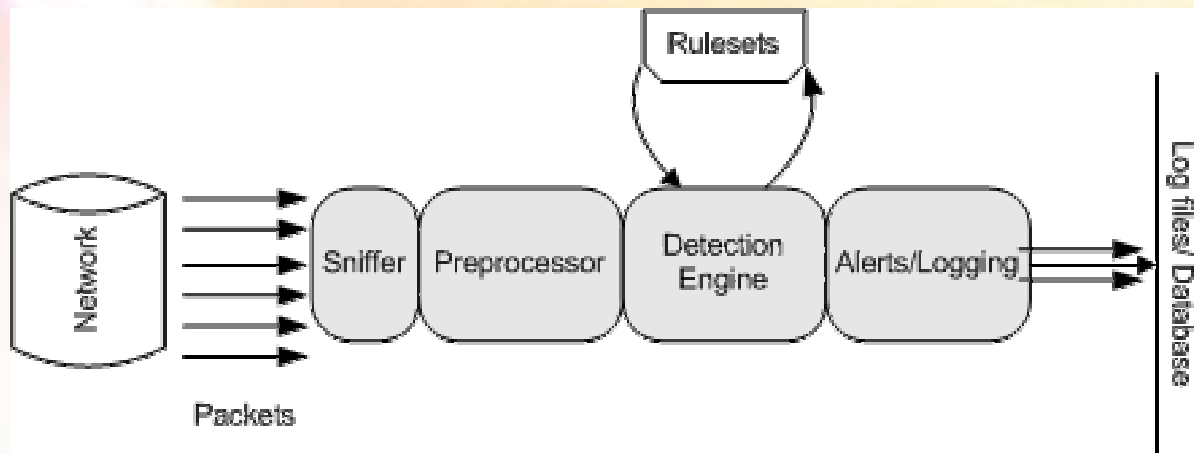
SNORT -- Introduction

- Snort runs on **multiple** platforms.
- Snort is **configurable**.
- Snort is **free**. Snort is released under the GNU GPL
Open Source network security tool.
- Snort is **constantly** updated.

SNORT -- Design

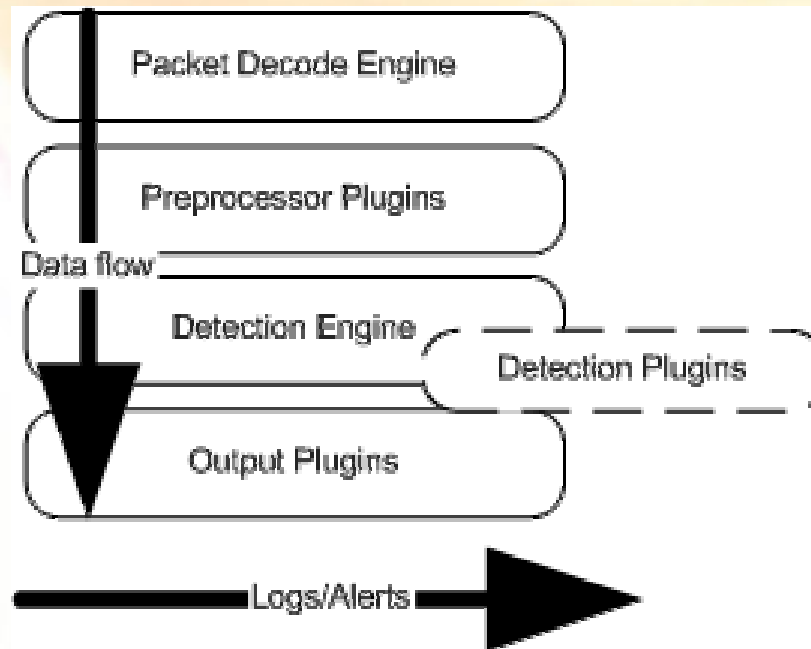
- Packet sniffing network intrusion detection system
- Libpcap-based sniffing interface
- Rules-based detection engine
- Multiple output options
 - decoded logs, tcpdump formatted logs
 - real-time alerting to syslog, file, winpopup

SNORT -- Architecture



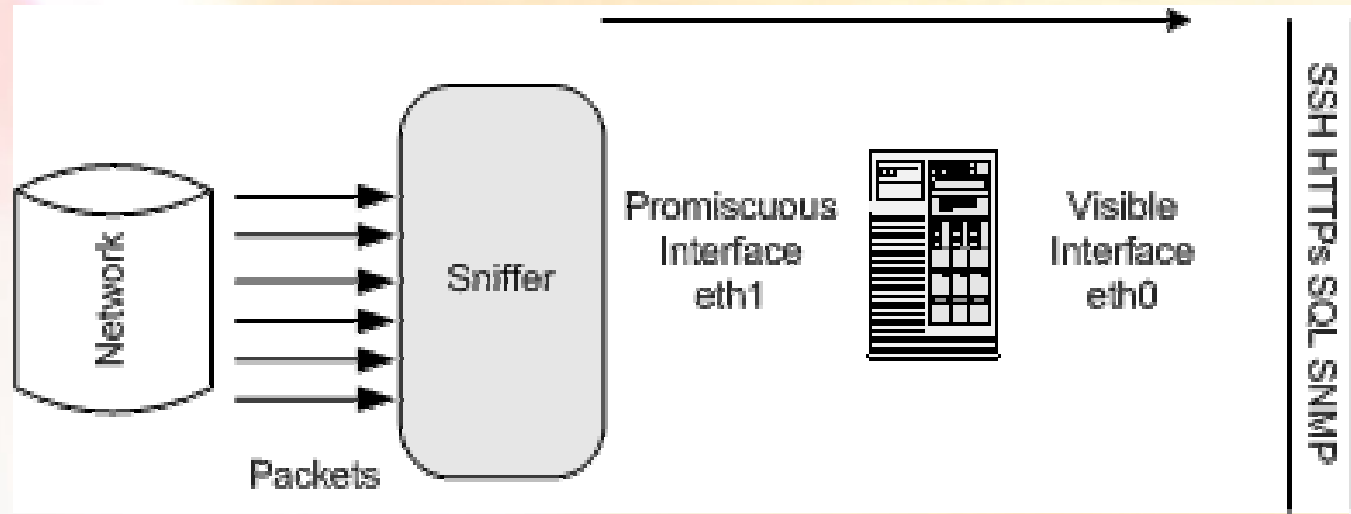
Architecture of snort

SNORT -- Components



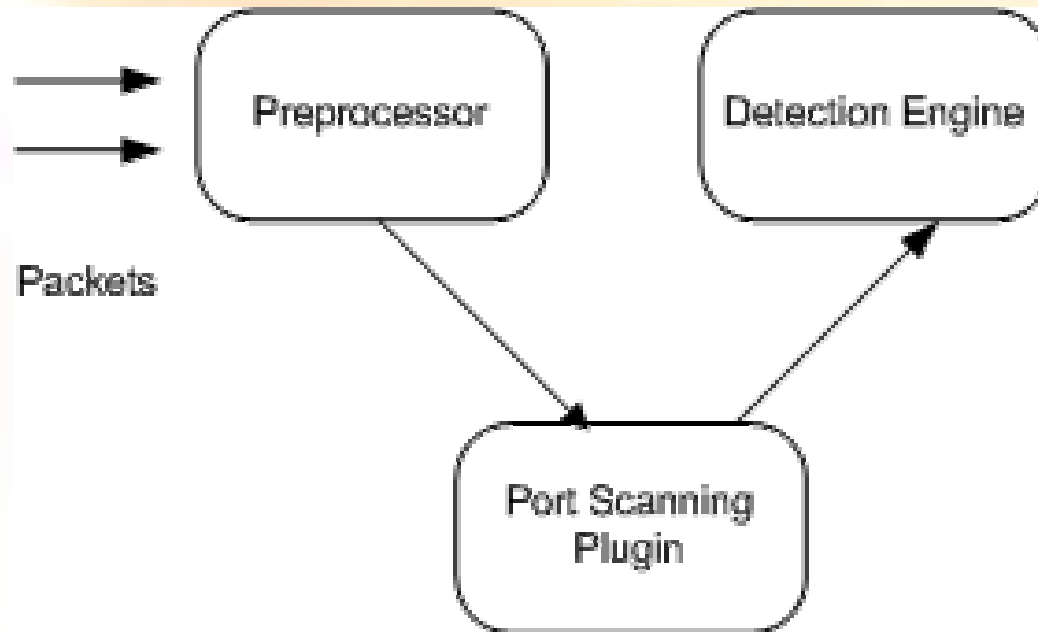
Data Flow between components

SNORT – Sniffer packet flow



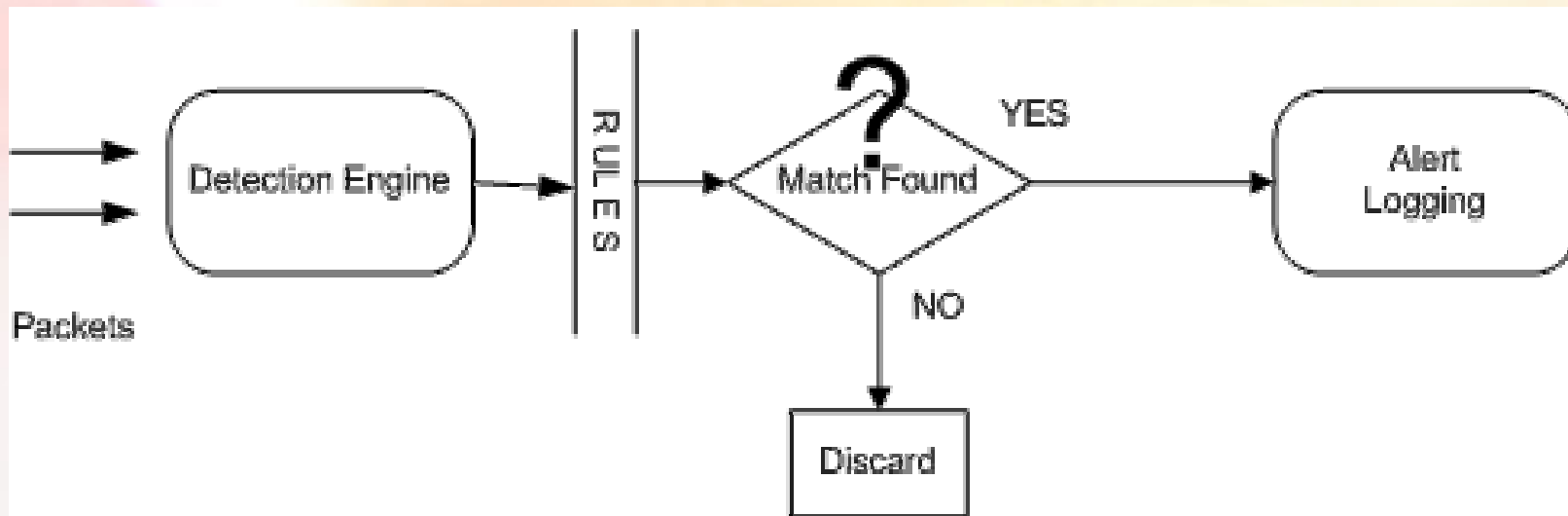
Sniffer packet flow

SNORT – Preprocessor Plugin



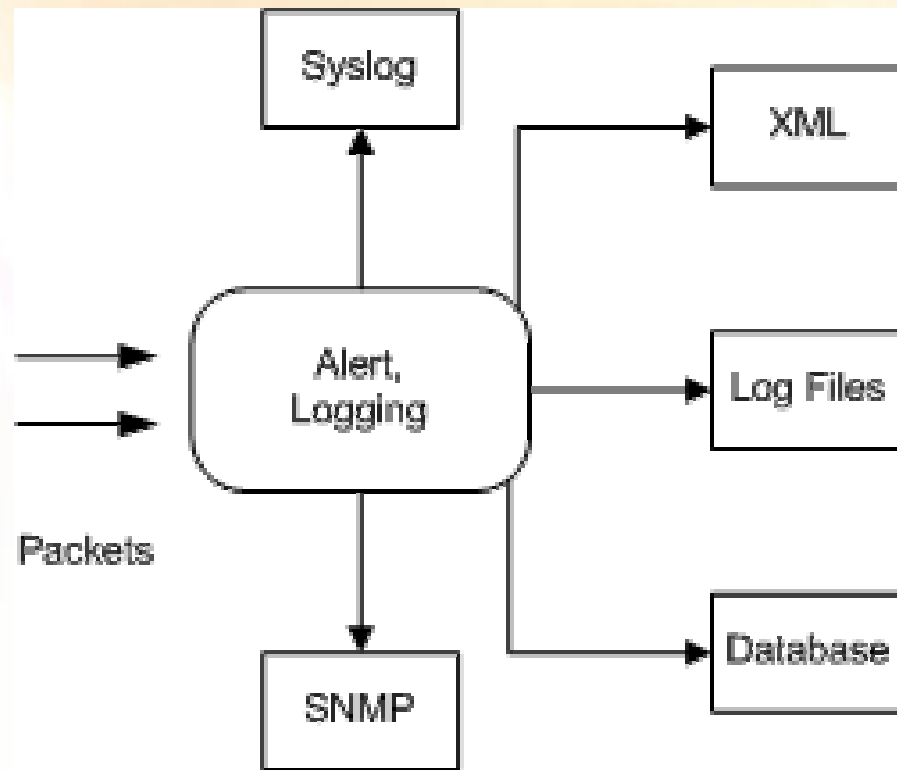
Packet flow in preprocessor plug-in

SNORT – Detection Engine



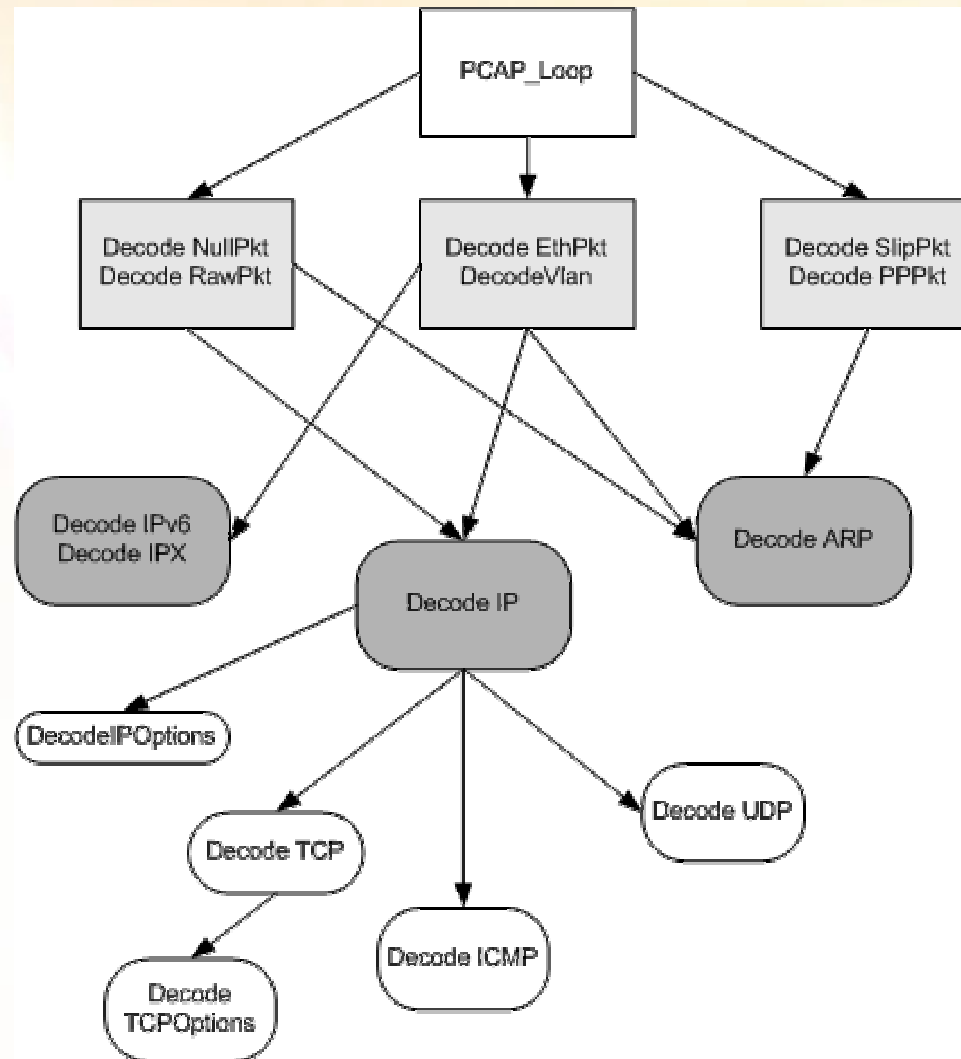
Detection engine flow

SNORT – Alert/Logging module



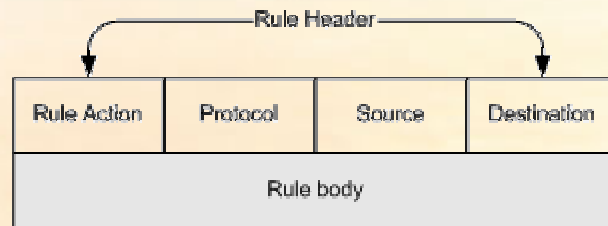
Alert/logging module

SNORT – TCP/IP protocol suite



TCP/IP protocol suite

SNORT – Rules Building



alert tcp !10.1.1.0/24 any -> 10.1.1.0/24 any (flags: SF; msg: "SYN-FIN Scan");

- Two sections to a rule
- rule header:
 alert tcp !10.1.1.0/24 any -> 10.1.1.0/24 any
- rule options:
(flags: SF; msg: "SYN-FIN Scan");
- Rule headers and options can be strung together in any combination

SNORT – Rule header

- IP addresses
 - negation, CIDR blocks
- TCP/UDP ports
 - negation, ranges, greater than/less than
- uni/bi-directional port/address consideration

SNORT – Rule options

- Content
- Content offset
- Content depth
- Session recording
- ICMP type
- ICMP code
- Alternate log files
- IP TTL
- IP ID
- Fragment size
- TCP Flags
- TCP Ack number
- TCP Seq number
- Payload size

SNORT – Uses for snort

- Standard packet sniffing NIDS
- Honeypot monitor

References

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- And of course Google :)

Thank you!

Q & A