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# FOCAL POINT - NETWORK FORENSICS AND INVESTIGATION I

Course Code: 100216

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*Focal Point - Network Traffic Analysis* will teach you to differentiate between normal and abnormal network traffic, track the flow of packets through a network, and attribute conversations and actions taken over a network segment to specific hosts or users. This course focuses on research, filtering, and comparative analysis to identify and attribute the different types of activity on a network. You will learn how to follow conversations across a wide range of protocols and through redirection, as well as how to develop custom filters for non-dissected protocols. On Day 5 of the course, you will participate in a team-based capture-the-flag exercise to test your new skills.

#### Learn more about this topic. View the recorded webinar From Analyst to Threat Hunter.

What You'll Learn

- Create a baseline of the protocols, hosts and interactions in a network environment
- Identify anomalous network traffic using a combination of in-depth packet analysis and high-level statistical analysis
- Reconstruct event timelines and accurately correlate, or distinguish between, event threads
- Identify and extract network artifacts for further forensic analysis
- Compare observed network traffic to expected topology
- Research and analyze unknown (non-dissected) protocols
- Track web activity at the user or session level via HTTP header analytics

#### **Student Practical:**

Using the tools, skills, and methodologies taught in Days 1 - 4, on day 5 of the course students will participate in a competitive capture-the-flag exercise that includes various categories, including a simulated SCADA attack scenario. Designed to challenge the participants, each correctly completed milestone will unlock a

successively more difficult challenge.

### **Course Outline:**

- 1. Building Blocks
- 2. OSI &TCP/IP Review
- 3. Wireshark Tutorial
- 4. Day in the Life (Common Protocols)
- 5. Extracting Objects
- 6. TCP A Deeper Look
- 7. Analytic Approach
- 8. Internet Research
- 9. Isolating Traffic
- 10. Routing Principles
- 11. Traceroute Analysis
- 12. Standards and Protocol Analysis
- 13. Start-to-Finish Protocol
- 14. Analysis (Email Example)
- 15. Analysis Beyond Wireshark
- 16. Secure Protocols
- 17. HTTP Header Analytics
- 18. Big Capture
- 19. More Tools and Tricks

## Labs:

- 1. Wireshark Filtering (Part 1, Part 2)
- 2. A Day in the Life (Common Protocols)
- 3. Exporting Objects
- 4. TCP/IP Analysis
- 5. Internet Research
- 6. Isolate Event #1
- 7. Isolate Event #2
- 8. Isolate Event #3
- 9. Isolate Event #4
- 10. Isolate Event #5
- 11. RFC Research
- 12. Meta-data Analysis
- 13. Non-Dissected Protocol Analysis
- 14. Encrypted Traffic Analysis Referer
- 15. User-Agents
- 16. Web Request Tracking
- 17. Large Capture Investigation

## Who Needs to Attend

- Network analysts seeking to develop security-related skills
- Incident responders needing to quickly address system security breaches
- Penetration testers looking to reduce their detectability

- Threat operations analysts seeking a better understanding of network intrusions
- All network administrators needing a better understanding of network security

### Prerequisites

- A broad understanding of TCP/IP and associated protocols
- Knowledge of network hardware and segment types
- Previous exposure to Wireshark or other protocol analysis software is also recommended

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