



Confining Spacewalk with SELinux

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What is Spacewalk?

- System management system, with WebUI and XMLRPC API.
- The project is the upstream for Red Hat Network Satellite product (and SuSE Manager).
- Written in Java, Python, and Perl.
- Daemons running are tomcat, httpd with mod_perl and mod_python/mod_wsgi, monitoring, cobbler, database, jabberd, osa-dispatcher.
- 700+ thousand lines of code.
- <http://spacewalk.redhat.com/>
- <https://fedorahosted.org/spacewalk/>

What is SELinux?

- Another access control mechanism.
- Orthogonal to Un*x users, groups, and access rights.
 - You can have Unix user `adelton` run process as `unconfined_t`.
 - You can have `root`'s process run as `httpd_t`.
- We use targeted policy, so we only care about types.
- What is not explicitly allowed is denied.

The goal

- All daemons should run in their domains or just use domains native in the OS.
 - `httpd_t`
 - `java_t`
 - `spacewalk_monitoring_t` (`swmon_t`)
 - `oracle_db_t`
 - `osa_dispatcher_t`
- And there should be no AVC denials.
 - Yes, we will see one in a minute.
- You get to love Z. You get to love iterative work.

Make things run in their domains

```
policy_module(swmon,1.0)
```

```
type swmon_t;  
domain_type(swmon_t);  
type swmon_exec_t;  
files_type(swmon_exec_t);
```

```
init_daemon_domain(swmon_t, swmon_exec_t)
```

```
/etc/rc\.d/np\.d/step
```

```
gen_context(system_u:object_r:swmon_exec_t,s0)
```



Check the transition

```
# cp /bin/sleep .
# chcon -t swmon_exec_t sleep
# cat init.sh
#!/bin/bash
./sleep 10 &
ps --no-headers -Zp $! | awk '{print $1}'
# chmod a+x init.sh
# chcon -t initrc_exec_t init.sh
# ./init.sh
unconfined_u:system_r:swmon_t:s0
#
```

Make it possible to restart

```
require {  
    type java_t;  
    type initrc_t;  
}  
  
type sw_initrc_exec_t;  
domain_entry_file(initrc_t, sw_initrc_exec_t)  
domain_auto_trans(java_t, sw_initrc_exec_t,  
                    initrc_t)  
  
/sbin/rhn-sat-restart-silent  
gen_context(system_u:object_r:sw_initrc_exec_t,s0)
```

Oracle RDBMS

- Source not available.
- Prime target for confining.
- Oracle SELinux policy module written by Rob Myers.
- We ended up splitting the file contexts .fc to separate module:

```
# semodule -l | grep oracle
oracle-nofcontext 1.1.2
oracle-port 1.1.2
oracle-xe 10.2.0.19.1
```


AVC denial

- In `/var/log/audit/audit.log`

```
avc:  denied  { append } for  pid=3941  
comm="httpd"  
path="/var/log/rhn/rhn-installation.log"  
dev=dm-0 ino=774447  
scontext=root:system_r:httpd_t:s0  
tcontext=root:object_r:var_log_t:s0  
tclass=file
```

Addressing AVC denials

- Not always is the solution to allow.
- Only run `audit2allow` to get nicer overview:
`allow httpd_t var_log_t:file { ioctl append };`
- Even `audit2allow -R` might not be correct:
`logging_write_generic_logs(httpd_t)`
- Often it's correct that SELinux stopped us from doing what we shouldn't have done.
- Maybe there is already a boolean for our problem:
`getsebool -a | grep http`

Tackle them one by one

- New types might be needed for files:

```
require {  
    type httpd_t;  
}  
type sw_install_log_t;  
logging_log_file(sw_install_log_t)  
allow httpd_t sw_install_log_t:file {append ioctl};  
  
/var/log/rhn/rhn-installation\*.log  
    gen_context(system_u:object_r:sw_install_log_t,s0)
```

- Do not forget to restorecon:

```
# The following is simply a touch  
local *X;  
open X, '>', INSTALL_LOG_FILE and close X;  
system('/sbin/restorecon', INSTALL_LOG_FILE);
```

More AVC examples

Script in /etc

```
avc: denied { execute } for pid=6322  
comm="httpd" name="satidmap.pl"  
dev=dm-0 ino=742377  
scontext=root:system_r:httpd_t:s0  
tcontext=root:object_r:etc_t:s0 tclass=file
```

Connect to port

```
avc: denied { name_connect } for pid=5587  
comm="httpd" dest=1521  
scontext=root:system_r:httpd_t:s0  
tcontext=system_u:object_r:oracle_port_t:s0  
tclass=tcp_socket
```

More AVC examples (cont'd)

Restart Spacewalk via WebUI

```
avc: denied { read } for pid=9882  
comm="httpd" path="pipe:[30334]" dev=pipefs ino=30334  
scontext=root:system_r:httpd_t:s0  
tcontext=root:system_r:java_t:s0  
tclass=fifo_file
```

Sendmail run to send error mail

```
avc: denied { read } for pid=9737  
comm="sendmail"  
path="/var/log/rhn/rhn_upload_package_push.log"  
dev=dm-0 ino=516406  
scontext=root:system_r:system_mail_t:s0  
tcontext=root:object_r:spacewalk_httpd_log_t:s0  
tclass=file
```

More AVC examples (cont'd)

A daemon wants to read /proc/meminfo

```
avc: denied { read } for pid=15987  
comm="jabberd" name="meminfo" dev=proc  
ino=-268435454 scontext=root:system_r:jabberd_t:s0  
tcontext=system_u:object_r:proc_t:s0 tclass=file
```

Process cannot read its own pid file

```
avc: denied { read } for pid=3169  
comm="osa-dispatcher" name="osa-dispatcher.pid"  
dev=dm-0 ino=516358  
scontext=unconfined_u:system_r:osa_dispatcher_t:s0  
tcontext=unconfined_u:object_r:osa_dispatcher_var_run_t:s0  
tclass=file
```

More AVC examples (cont'd)

Daemon wants to connect to the PostgreSQL database

```
avc: denied { write } for pid=28271  
comm="osa-dispatcher" name=".s.PGSQL.5432"  
dev=dm-0 ino=28622  
scontext=unconfined_u:system_r:osa_dispatcher_t:s0  
tcontext=unconfined_u:object_r:postgresql_tmp_t:s0  
tclass=sock_file  
avc: denied { connectto } for pid=28271  
comm="osa-dispatcher" path="/tmp/.s.PGSQL.5432"  
scontext=unconfined_u:system_r:osa_dispatcher_t:s0  
tcontext=unconfined_u:system_r:postgresql_t:s0  
tclass=unix_stream_socket
```

Possible solutions

Script in /etc

Mark is as CGI script:

```
/etc/rhn/satellite-httpd/conf/satidmap\.  
gen_context(system_u:object_r:httpd_sys_script_exec_t,s0  
restorecon -vv /etc/rhn/satellite-httpd/conf/satidmap.pl  
setsebool -P httpd_enable_cgi 1
```

Connect to port

Just allow it:

```
allow httpd_t oracle_port_t:tcp_socket name_connect;
```

But also consider putting it to a boolean.

Possible solutions (cont'd)

Restart Spacewalk via WebUI

```
-/sbin/rhn-satellite restart &> /dev/null  
+/sbin/rhn-satellite restart &> /dev/null < /dev/null
```

Do not give it the stdin filehandle.

Sendmail run to send error mail

Close the filehandle on exec:

```
+def set_close_on_exec(fd):  
+     s = fcntl.fcntl(fd, fcntl.F_GETFD)  
+     fcntl.fcntl(fd, fcntl.F_SETFD, \  
+                 s | fcntl.FD_CLOEXEC)  
+     [...]   
+         self.fd = open(self.file, "a+", 1)  
+         set_close_on_exec(self.fd)
```

Possible solutions (cont'd)

A daemon wants to read /proc/meminfo

Just allow it, with a macro:

```
kernel_read_system_state(jabberd_t)
```

Process cannot read its own pid file

It does not need to read it:

```
- fd = os.open(pid_file, \
-             os.O_RDWR | os.O_CREAT, 0644)
+ fd = os.open(pid_file, \
+             os.O_WRONLY | os.O_APPEND | os.O_CREAT, 0644)
```

Possible solutions (cont'd)

Daemon wants to connect to the PostgreSQL database

Allow, with nice macro:

```
postgresql_stream_connect(osa_dispatcher_t)
```

Closing remarks

- <https://fedorahosted.org/spacewalk/wiki/Features/SELinux>
- We put the exact AVC denial to commit message which addresses the problem in Spacewalk git repo.
 - For our reference.
 - It also makes it easy for you to search through our fixes.
 - Comments and patches most welcome.
- Thank you for your attention.