



HealthCheck Report

Data Storage Systems: Security Configuration Analysis

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Introduction

XYZ Bank invited **Continuity Software** to perform a data storage security HealthCheck on a subset of its production environment to identify data system security misconfigurations and vulnerabilities.

Data Security Advisor™ addresses the challenges of securing the vulnerable enterprise data storage IT environment. It automatically collects the up-to-date configurations of the enterprise's data storage systems and checks for security misconfigurations and vulnerabilities including violation of vendor security best practices, organizational security baseline configuration requirements, ransomware protection guidelines, non-compliance with information security standards and more. It informs the relevant IT teams of violations and how to repair them in order to close the security gaps that put critical data systems at risk.

Key benefits of Data Security Advisor:

- Meet vendor and community-driven security configuration best practices.
- Automatically validate security baseline configurations.
- Comply with information security standards (ISO, CIS, PCI, NIST, FFIEC and more).
- Provides remediation guidelines for detected misconfigurations and facilitates automatic healing.
- Support all enterprise data storage systems including SAN, NAS, Storage Network, Storage Management, Storage Virtualization, Data Protection Systems and more.
- Tracks and reports on security configuration changes.
- An enterprise-grade solution – A secure and scalable solution that can be easily customized and/or integrated with other management systems.

When a risk is discovered by DSA, a detailed description and the suggested resolution are forwarded to the right IT teams for timely action. **DSA** operation is agentless, secure and non-intrusive.

Such risks are the natural result of a large volume of ongoing changes within a highly complex technology environment. Given the nature of such environments, it is practically impossible to manually identify such issues. Automated, proactive discovery of these irregularities is critical to preventing data security risks and successfully completing Information Security audits.

Overview

- A subset of the production environment was scanned and analyzed by **DSA**.
- The one-time collection of configuration data was performed using DSA's agentless scan technology, with no impact on production and without installing any software on the target systems.
- The following systems were included in the scan scope:
 - The data systems used by **Payments, CRM and Billing** applications
 - Storage systems (block, file, object and cloud)
 - Storage virtualization and data protection appliances
 - Storage network

HealthCheck Findings

- Overall 376 storage systems scanned.
- A total of **26 risk types** were detected, consisting of **58 individual risks**.
- The data security vulnerability and compliance risks identified span all layers of the storage infrastructure, including **file and block storage, virtual SAN, storage network, storage management systems** and more.
- A detailed, prioritized listing of all 26 risks found is included in this report.

Conclusions

- Significant **data security risks identified for data systems used by Payments, Billing and CRM**.
- Detailed information is available through this report for the compliance risks, vulnerabilities and security best practice violations identified by DSA.
- It is practically impossible to manually identify such risks - though simple to repair once found.
- Similar and other issues may be present in the un-scanned portion of the production environment.
- Running a daily scan on all critical systems at XYZ Bank is highly recommended.
- This report details the risks identified and includes the corrective steps required for remediation.

Analysis Summary

The following table presents a summary of security principles examined by Data Security Advisor and the number of storage devices that have passed or failed to meet the principle.

| Category | Security principle | Pass | Fail |
|--------------------------|--|------|------|
| Access Control | Access rights granted to authorized users/hosts only | 54 | 2 |
| Access Control | Account lockout | 376 | 0 |
| Encryption | Administrative API sessions are encrypted | 186 | 0 |
| Authorization | All users are restricted by a role | 376 | 0 |
| Malware Protection | Antivirus scanning is enabled | 154 | 0 |
| Malware Protection | Antivirus server redundancy | 154 | 0 |
| Configuration Management | Approved OS release | 376 | 0 |
| Audit | Audit log configuration (Log content) | 375 | 1 |
| Audit | Audit logging is enabled | 376 | 0 |
| Audit | Authorized (secure) time source servers are used | 376 | 0 |
| Authentication | Authorized authentication servers are used | 376 | 0 |
| Audit | Authorized logging servers are used | 376 | 0 |
| Configuration Management | Authorized name servers are used | 376 | 0 |
| Authentication | Central authentication is used | 376 | 0 |
| Authentication | Central authentication server redundancy | 376 | 0 |
| Encryption | Clear-text protocols are disabled | 370 | 11 |
| Authentication | Client certification verification is mandatory | 129 | 0 |
| Encryption | Data at-rest is encrypted | 65 | 0 |
| Audit | External (central) log servers are configured | 375 | 2 |
| Access Control | Fabric access is restricted | 204 | 0 |
| Access Control | Firewall / IPfilter is enabled | 376 | 0 |
| Access Control | Guest/Anonymous user access is restricted | 98 | 3 |
| Access Control | Idle sessions are terminated | 376 | 0 |
| Access Control | Inactive user accounts are disabled | 86 | 0 |
| Encryption | In-flight data (client-server) is encrypted | 86 | 0 |
| Authentication | Initial password change required | 248 | 0 |
| Authentication | Key size meets minimum length requirement | 202 | 0 |
| Authorization | Least privilege | 341 | 0 |
| Access Control | Local user accounts should not be used | 375 | 1 |
| Audit | Logging server redundancy | 376 | 0 |
| Authentication | Maximum password lifetime is restricted | 202 | 0 |

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| Authentication | Minimum password length is enforced | 202 | 0 |
| Authentication | Minimum password lifetime is restricted | 202 | 0 |
| Configuration Management | Name server redundancy | 376 | 0 |
| Configuration Management | Name service is enabled | 376 | 0 |
| Services and Protocols | Only enable SNMP if necessary | 101 | 0 |
| Authentication | Password complexity is enforced | 202 | 0 |
| Authentication | Password reuse is limited | 202 | 0 |
| Authentication | Reject password DB updates on all switches | 210 | 0 |
| Authentication | Remove or disable all default (factory) user accounts | 374 | 2 |
| Encryption | Replication traffic is encrypted | 86 | 0 |
| Audit | Retain audit trail history | 376 | 0 |
| Services and Protocols | Secure NFS versions used | 147 | 3 |
| Access Control | Secure SAN (FC) zoning used | 198 | 4 |
| Services and Protocols | Secure SNMP versions used (SNMPv3 or its successors) | 324 | 0 |
| Access Control | Session termination (automatic logoff) | 325 | 0 |
| Services and Protocols | SNMP authentication required | 200 | 2 |
| Services and Protocols | SNMP used in read-only mode | 202 | 0 |
| Access Control | Storage network enumeration is restricted | 136 | 0 |
| Encryption | Strong password hashing algorithm used | 343 | 0 |
| Encryption | Strong SSH MAC algorithm used | 89 | 3 |
| Authentication | Strong storage management host identification | 67 | 0 |
| Audit | Synchronization with authoritative time source is enabled | 374 | 2 |
| Access Control | System use notification is presented | 376 | 0 |
| Audit | Time source server redundancy | 376 | 2 |
| Services and Protocols | Unsecure SMB versions are disabled | 136 | 0 |
| Services and Protocols | Unsecure SSH versions are disabled | 174 | 0 |
| Configuration Management | Use of standard ports | 183 | 0 |
| Authentication | Use of uppercase characters in passwords | 202 | 0 |
| Authentication | Vendor-supplied default passwords are not used | 371 | 5 |
| Malware Protection | Vulnerability identification | 366 | 10 |
| Encryption | Strong encryption used | 265 | 2 |
| Malware Protection | Ransomware protection features used | 86 | 2 |
| Authentication | Password vault used | 124 | 1 |
| ... and additional unlisted security principles | | | |
| Authentication | Password vault used | 19,463 | 58 |

Summary of Risk Types

A total of **26 risk types** were detected, consisting of 58 individual risks.

The following table lists all the risks identified, sorted by the priority ("Rating") assigned by a Continuity Software engineer, after a thorough examination of each risk.

| ID | Type | Summary | Rating | Check Name |
|----------------------|-----------------|---|--------|---|
| 611 | EMC VPLEX | Incorrect TLS level configured. | ★★★★★ | TLS Level |
| 142 | Cisco MDS | Unsecure protocols enabled. | ★★★★★ | Service status – HTTP, TELNET |
| 293 | EMC VNX | Unsecure communication between Policy manager and ESRS client. | ★★★★★ | ESRS – Policy Manager SSL Status |
| 1002 | EMC Isilon | Weak SSH message authentication code (MAC) algorithm is used. | ★★★★★ | SSH MAC strength |
| 283 | NetApp | Ransomware protection features are not enabled. | ★★★★★ | Fpolicy for ransomware |
| 543 | Brocade SAN | Zone members are configured with Domain, Port identification. | ★★★★★ | SAN Fabric - zone member identification |
| 342 | Cisco MDS | Local SNMP users are configured with the noAuth security level. | ★★★★★ | SNMP user authentication |
| 195 | EMC Isilon | EMC Isilon OneFS vulnerabilities identified (DSA-2020-045). | ★★★★★ | OneFS vulnerability scanning |
| 645 | EMC Isilon | Unsecure clear-text ftp connections are enabled. | ★★★★★ | ftp service status |
| 71 | EMC XtremIO | XtremIO XMS vulnerabilities identified (DSA-2019-172). | ★★★★★ | XtremIO vulnerability scanning |
| 282 | NetApp | Access to file shares is not restricted by client IP. | ★★★★★ | NFS export client access list |
| 125 | EMC Data Domain | NTP servers are not configured. | ★★★★★ | NTP status |
| 7 | EMC Data Domain | External syslog servers are not configured. | ★★★★★ | Centralized log server |
| 84 | Cisco MDS | External syslog servers are not configured. | ★★★★★ | Centralized log server |
| 715 | EMC VMAX | EMC Vulnerabilities identified (DSA-2019-186). | ★★★★★ | VMAX vulnerability scanning |
| 627 | NetApp | Unsecure snmp community settings. | ★★★★★ | SNMP community default string |
| 681 | VxFlex OS | VxFlex (ScaleIO) OS multiple vulnerabilities identified (DSA-2019-116, ESA-2017-094). | ★★★★★ | VxFlex OS vulnerability scanning |

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| 315 | EMC Data Domain | Un-vaulted local user accounts. | ★★★★★ | Local user account vaulting |
| 81 | NetApp | Non-default local user accounts are configured. | ★★★★★ | Non-default local user accounts |
| 223 | NetApp | UID of Unknown/Anonymous user is mapped to an admin user account. | ★★★★★ | Unknown user UID |
| 354 | EMC VMAX | Background Audit logging is disabled on EMC Storage management. | ★★★★★ | Background Audit logging (no-loss) |
| 360 | EMC Isilon | Unsecure NFS versions are enabled. | ★★★★★ | NFS versions enabled |
| 196 | Cisco MDS | Insufficient NTP server redundancy. | ★★★★★ | NTP server redundancy |
| 603 | NetApp | ONTAP Vulnerabilities identified (NTAP-20191024-0001). | ★★★★★ | ONTAP vulnerability scanning |
| 351 | RecoverPoint | RecoverPoint vulnerabilities identified (DSA-2019-078). | ★★★★★ | RecoverPoint OS vulnerability scanning |
| 755 | EMC VPLEX | Default (factory) user accounts are enabled. | ★★★★★ | root user status |