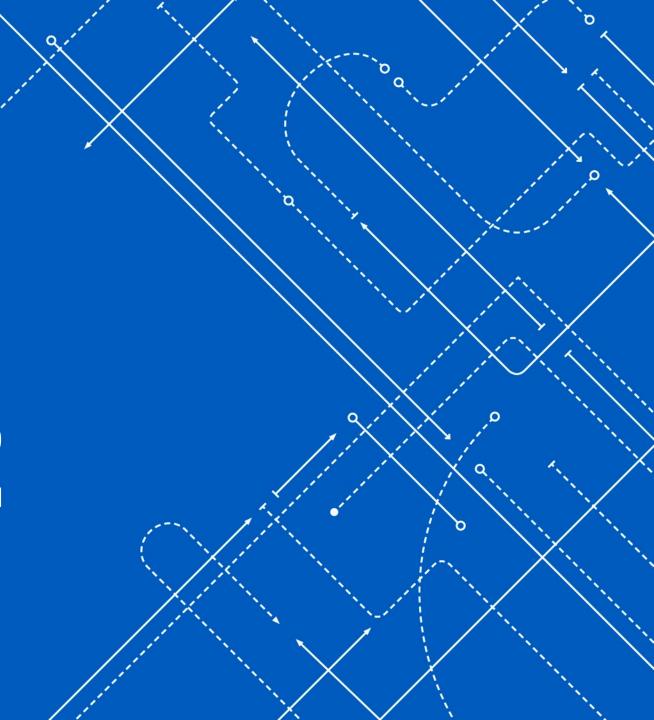
# TRIPWIRE ENTERPRISE SERVER

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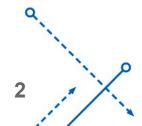
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# What is Tripwire?

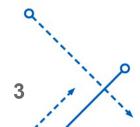
- Enterprise Security Configuration Management (SCM) tool
- Standards Compliance software
- File Integrity Management (FIM)
- Client/Server agent based change detection software
- https://www.tripwire.com/





#### What can be monitored?

- Most major OSes: Windows, Red Hat, CentOS, Ubuntu, SUSE and Debian
- Many vendor-specific OSes: AIX, Solaris, HP-UX, etc.
- Directory Services: Active Directory, LDAP, etc.
- Network Devices: Firewall, IPS and IDS configurations, routers, etc.
- Databases: Oracle, MS SQL, DB2 and PostgreSQL
- Virtual and Cloud Environments
- Tripwire's list of supported platforms



### How does Tripwire monitor hosts?

#### **Agentless**

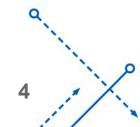
Polled monitoring over standard protocols

#### **Tripwire Agent client**

- software downloaded from Tripwire.com
- installed on hosts
- real time monitoring

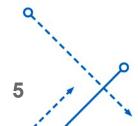
#### **Tripwire Axon agent**

newer, lighter weight agent software



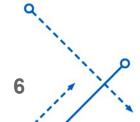
# Who is using Tripwire at UB?

- Enterprise Infrastructure Services
- School of Public Health and Health Professionals
- School of Social Work
- College of Arts and Sciences
- School of Dental Medicine
- Center for Computational Research



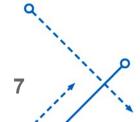
### How does EIS use Tripwire?

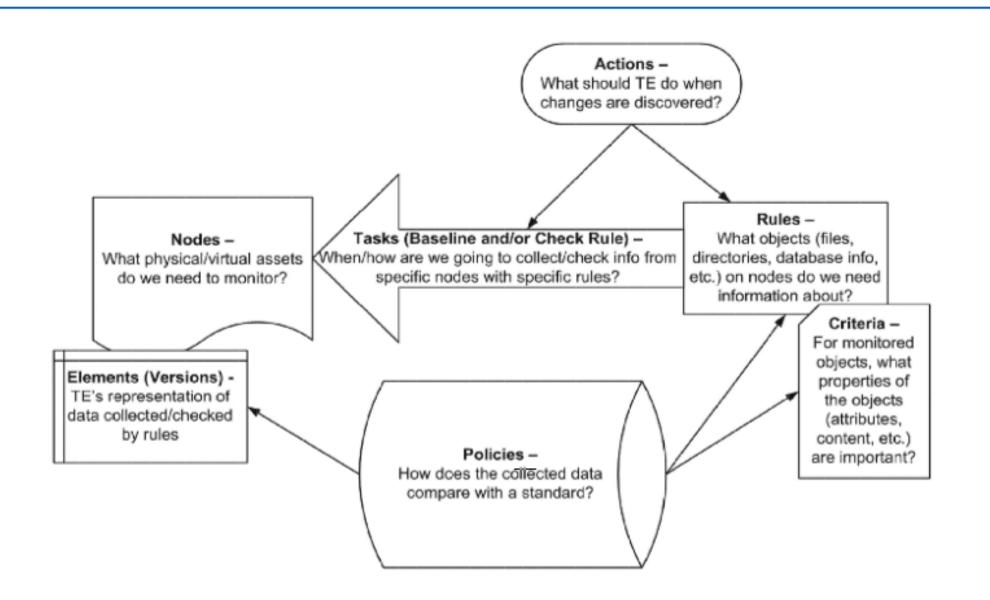
- EIS has a number of security tools that complement and overlap
- We have been using it since 2006
- Our focus is File Integrity Management
- 2 Tripwire Enterprise Servers for different groups
- We have a Campus Licensing Agreement based on student population which covers the entire campus for as many servers and nodes as we need



### **EIS Tripwire Process**

- An agent is installed on all our hosts (nodes)
- Initial server baseline of a known good state of all monitored objects (elements)
- The server runs tasks that collect information from the agents about system changes outside the baseline
- The changes are parsed through rules defined on any number of criteria (O/S, Application, Role, etc.)
- Reports are generated and sent to the system administrators about the changes
- The system administrators log on to the Tripwire server to review and approve changes (adding them to the systems baseline)







# Tripwire Enterprise Server for your group

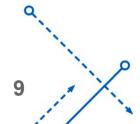
You can run your own Tripwire Enterprise Server in 10 easy steps!

Full requirements can be found on the UBIT Information Security site

http://www.buffalo.edu/ubit/information-for-it-staff/information-security/tripwire.html

#### Basic requirements:

- Server (Windows or Linux)
- Certificate
- External Database instance
- List of Tripwire administrators



# **Support and Training**

The EIS Tripwire team can answer basic questions, but....

- As part of the onboarding process names and emails for the support staff will be added to the Tripwire support portal
- Full documentation for the product is available at the customer support portal
- Tripwire offers <u>training</u> both in classroom and on line
- Tripwire has virtual user groups a couple times a year which are valuable sessions
  where they talk about the state of their products, have the experts give demonstrations
  for features, and take customer questions and feedback

# **QUESTIONS?**



