

Quick Blocking Operation of IDS/SDN Cooperative Firewall Systems by Reducing Communication Overhead

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Abstract—An Intrusion Detection System (IDS) / Software Defined Networking (SDN) cooperative firewall system has attracted much attention recently because it has many advantages of dynamic network configuration with SDN and scalable IDS hosts. In the IDS/SDN cooperative firewall system, an SDN switch relays traffic between a client and a server and mirrors traffic from a client to an IDS host. The IDS host monitors the mirrored traffic and notifies the SDN switch to block malicious traffic according to the detection of the attack. At this point, malicious packets reach the server until the IDS detects the attack and notifies it. In this paper, we propose a method to speed up mirroring and notification by integrating IDS and SDN switch hosts as a method to shorten the blocking time and compare it with existing methods. The experimental system was constructed using Raspberry Pi3 B+ and 4B boards. As a result, it was confirmed that the proposed method completes the blocking operation faster than the existing method. We also investigated the breakdown of the blocking time to confirm the effect of the proposed method.

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