Jupysec: Auditing Jupyter to Improve Al Security

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Agenda

- What is AI Security?
- How does Jupyter fit in?
- What are we defending against?
- Why is security hard?
- What's the working solution?

Machine Learning Operations and AI Security Methodology



Did you mean Jupiter?

- Julia, Python, and R
- Notebooks, but more than notebooks
 - Client/server architecture for running kernels

architecture

```
In [1]: print("Hello World")
```

Hello World

```
In [2]: from scripts.kernel import get_kernel
    get_kernel()
```

```
Out[2]: ('/Users/x26393/Library/Jupyter/runtime/kernel-bab546e8-93aa-4964-990d-a75f2b42
9fb6.json',
```

```
{'shell_port': 49910,
    'iopub_port': 49911,
    'stdin_port': 49912,
    'control_port': 49914,
    'hb_port': 49913,
    'ip': '127.0.0.1',
    'key': '2c800523-5bb32c965f3db898dc0e5f9a',
    'transport': 'tcp',
    'signature_scheme': 'hmac-sha256',
    'kernel_name': 'python3',
    'jupyter_session': '/Users/x26393/troopers/Presentation.ipynb'})
```

But this base architecture model is encapsulated in several different applications:

- Jupyter Notebooks
- JupyterLab
- JupyterHub

The Cloud

- AWS SageMaker
- Azure Machine Learning Studio
- Google Collab

And various wrappers on these

- Kaggle
- NVIDIA NGC

Configuration

Misconfiguration was responsible for 21% of error-related breaches in 2022. Verizon DBIR

And since the jupyter ecosystem is so nicely decoupled, the configuration space and complexity is *large*.

JupyterHub Config

What are we defending against?

Runtime injection





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Startup Execution



Start a docker image running jupyterLab

```
client = docker.from_env()
client.containers.run(image="jlab:latest", ports={'8888': 5000}, detach=True)
# Let the application start
time.sleep(5)
# Get the token from inside the container
(client.containers.list(filters={"status": "running"})[0]
.exec_run('/home/joe_shmoe/.local/bin/jupyter server list'))
```

Audit

- So Jupyter is powerful and flexible. How do we audit our instances' security?
 - Security of our configuration decisions
 - Verify that our running config is what we intended

The problem: Given a running instance, how do we assess its security posture?

Config files: necessary, but not sufficient

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Conclusion

If you're running some flavor of Jupyter:

- 1. How can you tell that you're following "best practices"?
- 2. How can you tell that your running instance is configured the way you thought it was?

How do we set reasonable security expectations with minimal impact to velocity (especially early in R&D)?

Extra

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In []: