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ESET File Security

*Installation Manual
and User Guide*

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Chapter 1:

Introduction



Dear user, you have acquired ESET File Security - the premier security system running under the Linux/BSD/Solaris OS. As you will soon find out, ESET's state-of-the-art scanning engine has unsurpassed scanning speed and detection rates combined with a very small footprint that makes it the ideal choice for any Linux/BSD/Solaris OS server.

Key features of the system:

- The ESET antivirus scanning engine algorithms provide the highest detection rate and the fastest scanning times.
- The ESET File Security is developed to run on single-processor as well as on multi-processor units.
- It includes unique advanced heuristics for Win32 worms and back-doors.
- Built-in archivers unpack archived objects without the need for any external programs.
- To increase the speed and efficiency of the system, its architecture is based on the running daemon (resident program) where all scanning requests are sent.
- All executive daemons (except esets_dac) run under non-privileged user account to enhance security.
- The system supports selective configuration based on the user or client/server.
- Multiple logging levels can be configured to get information about system activity and infiltrations.
- Configuration, administration and license management are offered through an intuitive and user-friendly World Wide Web Interface.
- The system supports ESET Remote Administration for management in large computer networks.
- The ESET File Security installation does not require external libraries or programs except for LIBC.
- The system can be configured to notify specific users in the event of a detected infiltration or other important events.

To run efficiently, ESET File Security requires just 16MB of hard-disk space and 32MB of RAM. It runs smoothly under the 2.2.x, 2.4.x and 2.6.x Linux OS kernel versions as well as under 5.x, 6.x FreeBSD OS kernel versions.

From lower-powered, small office servers to enterprise-class ISP servers with thousands of users, ESET File Security delivers the performance and scalability you expect from a UNIX based solution, in addition to the unequalled security of ESET products.



Chapter 2:

Terminology and abbreviations



In this section we will review the terms and abbreviations used in this document. Note that a boldface font is reserved for product component names and also for newly defined terms and abbreviations. Terms and abbreviations defined in this chapter are expanded upon later in this document.

ESETS

ESET Security is a standard acronym for all security products developed by ESET, spol. s r.o. for Linux, BSD and Solaris operating systems. It is also the name (or its part) of the software package containing the products.

RSR

Abbreviation for 'RedHat/Novell(SuSE) Ready'. Note that we also support RedHat Ready and Novell(SuSE) Ready variations of the product. The *RSR* package differs from the "standard" Linux version in that it meets the FHS (File-system Hierarchy Standard defined as a part of Linux Standard Base) criteria required by the RedHat Ready and Novell(SuSE) Ready certificate. This means that the *RSR* package is installed as an add-on application—the primary installation directory is `/opt/ezet/sets/`.

ESETS daemon

The main ESETS system control and scanning daemon: **esets_daemon**.

ESETS base directory

The directory where *ESETS* loadable modules containing the virus signature database are stored. The abbreviation **@BASEDIR@** will be used for future references to this directory. The **@BASEDIR@** value for the following Operating Systems is listed below:

```
Linux: /var/lib/esets
Linux RSR: /var/opt/ezet/sets/lib
FreeBSD: /var/lib/esets
NetBSD: /var/lib/esets
Solaris: /var/opt/ezet/lib
```

ESETS configuration directory

The directory where all files related to the ESET File Security configuration are stored. The abbreviation **@ETCDIR@** will be used for future references to this directory. The **@ETCDIR@** value for the following Operating Systems is listed below:

```
Linux: /etc/esets
Linux RSR: /etc/opt/ezet/sets
FreeBSD: /usr/local/etc/esets
NetBSD: /usr/pkg/etc/esets
Solaris: /etc/opt/esets
```

ESETS configuration file

Main ESET File Security configuration file. The absolute path of the file is as follows:

```
@ETCDIR@/esets.cfg
```

ESETS binary files directory

The directory where the relevant ESET File Security binary files are stored. The abbreviation

@BINDIR@ will be used for future references to this directory. The **@BINDIR@** value for the following Operating Systems is listed below:

```
Linux: /usr/bin
Linux RSR: /opt/eset/esets/bin
FreeBSD: /usr/local/bin
NetBSD: /usr/pkg/bin
Solaris: /opt/esets/bin
```

ESETS system binary files directory

The directory where the relevant ESET File Security system binary files are stored. The abbreviation **@SBINDIR@** will be used for future references to this directory. The **@SBINDIR@** value for the following Operating Systems is listed below:

```
Linux: /usr/sbin
Linux RSR: /opt/eset/esets/sbin
FreeBSD: /usr/local/sbin
NetBSD: /usr/pkg/sbin
Solaris: /opt/esets/sbin
```

ESETS object files directory

The directory where the relevant ESET File Security object files and libraries are stored. The abbreviation **@LIBDIR@** will be used for future references to this directory. The **@LIBDIR@** value for the following Operating Systems is listed below:

```
Linux: /usr/lib/esets
Linux RSR: /opt/eset/esets/lib
FreeBSD: /usr/local/lib/esets
NetBSD: /usr/pkg/lib/esets
Solaris: /opt/esets/lib
```





Chapter 3:

Installation



After purchasing ESET File Security, you will receive your authorization data (username/password and license key). This data is necessary for both identifying you as our customer and allowing you to download updates for ESET File Security. The username/password data is also required for downloading the initial installation package from our web site. ESET File Security is distributed as a binary file:

```
esets.i386.ext.bin
```

In the binary file shown above, 'ext' is a Linux/BSD/Solaris OS distribution dependent suffix, i.e., 'deb' for Debian, 'rpm' for RedHat and SuSE, 'tgz' for other Linux OS distributions, 'fbs5.tgz' for FreeBSD 5.xx, 'fbs6.tgz' for FreeBSD 6.xx, 'nbs4.tgz' for NetBSD 4.xx and 'sol10.pkg.gz' for Solaris 10.

Note that the Linux *RSR* binary file format is:

```
esets-rsr.i386.rpm.bin
```

To install or upgrade the product, use the following command:

```
sh ./esets.i386.ext.bin
```

For the Linux *RSR* variation of the product, use the command:

```
sh ./esets-rsr.i386.rpm.bin
```

to display the product's User License Acceptance Agreement. Once you have confirmed the Acceptance Agreement, the installation package is placed into the current working directory and relevant information regarding the package's installation, un-installation or upgrade is displayed onscreen.

Once the package is installed, you can verify that the main *ESETS* service is running by using the following command:

Linux OS:

```
ps -C esets_daemon
```

BSD OS:

```
ps -ax | grep esets_daemon
```

Solaris:

```
ps -A | grep esets_daemon
```

After pressing ENTER, you should see the following (or similar) message:

```
PID TTY          TIME CMD
2226 ?             00:00:00 esets_daemon
2229 ?             00:00:00 esets_daemon
```

At least two ESETS daemon processes are running in the background. The first PID represents the process and threads manager of the system. The other represents the ESETS scanning process.



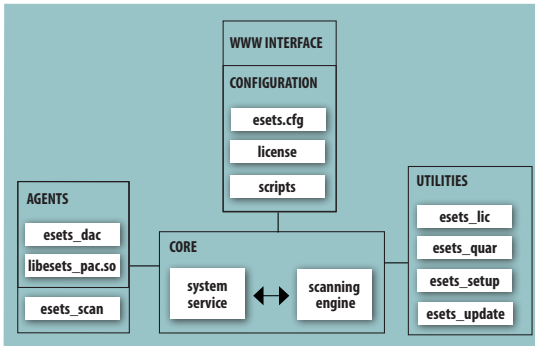
Chapter 4:

Architecture Overview



Once ESET File Security is successfully installed, you should become familiar with its architecture.

Figure 4-1. Structure of ESET File Security.



The structure of ESET File Security is shown in Figure 4-1. The system is comprised of the following parts:

CORE

The Core of ESET File Security is the ESETS daemon (`esets_daemon`). The daemon uses ESETS API library `libesets.so` and ESETS loading modules `em00X_xx.dat` to provide base system tasks such as scanning, maintenance of the agent daemon processes, maintenance of the samples submission system, logging, notification, etc. Please refer to the `esets_daemon(8)` man page for details.

AGENTS

The purpose of ESETS agent modules is to integrate ESETS with the Linux/BSD/Solaris Server environment.

UTILITIES

The utility modules provide simple and effective management of the system. They are responsible for relevant system tasks such as license management, quarantine management, system setup and update.

CONFIGURATION

Proper configuration is the most important aspect of a smooth-running security system—the remainder of this chapter is dedicated to explaining all related components. A thorough understanding of the `esets.cfg` file (page 6) is also highly recommended, as this file contains information essential to the configuration of ESET File Security.

After the product is successfully installed, all its configuration components are stored in the ESETS configuration directory. The directory consists of the following files:

@ETCDIR@/esets.cfg

This is the most important configuration file, as it controls all major aspects of the product's functionality. The `esets.cfg` file is made up of several sections, each of which contains various parameters. The file contains one global and several "agent" sections, with all section names enclosed in square brackets. Parameters in the global section are used to define configuration options for the ESETS daemon as well as default values for the ESETS scanning engine configuration. Parameters in agent sections are used to define configuration options of modules used to intercept various data flow types in the computer and/or its neighborhood, and prepare it for scanning. Note that in addition to the various parameters used for system configuration, there are also rules governing the organization of the file. For detailed information on the most effective way to organize this file, please refer to the `esets.cfg(5)` and `esets_daemon(8)` man pages, as well as relevant agents' man pages.

@ETCDIR@/certs

This directory is used to store the certificates used by the ESETS Web Interface for authentication. Please see the `esets_wwwi` man page (8) for details.

@ETCDIR@/license

This directory is used to store the product(s) license key(s) you have acquired from your vendor. Note that the ESETS daemon will check only this directory for a valid license key, unless the `'license_dir'` parameter in the ESETS configuration file is redefined.

@ETCDIR@/scripts/license_warning_script

If enabled by the ESETS configuration file parameter `'license_warn_enabled'`, this script will be executed 30 days (once per day) before product license expiration, sending an email notification about the expiration status to the system administrator.

@ETCDIR@/scripts/daemon_notification_script

If enabled by the ESETS configuration file parameter `'exec_script'`, this script is executed in the event of a detected infiltration by the antivirus system. It is used to send email notification about the event to the system administrator.



Chapter 5:

Integration with File System services

This chapter describes the On-demand and On-access scanner configuration which will provide the most effective protection from virus and worm file system infections. ESET File Security's scanning power is derived from the On-demand scanner command 'esets_scan' and the On-access scanner command 'esets_dac'. The Linux version of ESET File Security offers an additional On-access scanner technique which uses the preloaded library module `libesets_pac.so`. All of these commands are described in the following sections.

5.1. On-demand scanner

The On-demand scanner can be invoked by a privileged user (usually a system administrator) through the command line interface or by the operating system's automatic scheduling tool (e.g., cron). Thus, the term "On-demand" refers to file system objects which are scanned on user or system demand.

The On-demand scanner does not require special configuration in order to run. After the ESETS package has been properly installed and a valid license has been moved to the license keys directory (@ETCDIR/license), the On-demand scanner can be run immediately using the command line interface or scheduler tool. To run the On-demand scanner from the command line, use the following syntax:

```
@SBINDIR@/esets_scan [option(s)] FILES
```

where FILES is a list of directories and/or files to be scanned.

Multiple command line options are available using ESETS On-demand scanner. To see the full list of options, please see the `esets_scan(8)` man page.

5.2. On-access scanner powered by Dazuko

The On-access scanner is invoked by user(s) access and/or operating system access to file system objects. This also explains the term "On-access"; the scanner is triggered on any attempt to access a selected file system object.

The technique used by ESETS On-access scanner is powered by the Dazuko (da-tzu-ko) kernel module and is based on the interception of kernel calls. The Dazuko project is open source, which means that its source code is freely distributed. This allows users to compile the kernel module for their own custom kernels. Note that the Dazuko kernel module is not a part of any ESETS product and must be compiled and installed into the kernel prior to using the On-access command `esets_dac`. On the other hand the Dazuko technique makes On-access scanning independent of the file system type used. It is also suitable for controlling file system objects via Network File System (NFS), Nettalk and Samba.

IMPORTANT: Before we provide detailed information related to the On-access scanner's configuration and operation, it should be noted that the scanner has been primarily developed and tested to protect file systems mounted externally. If there are multiple file systems which are not externally mounted, they will need to be excluded from file access control in order to prevent system hang-up. An example of a typical directory to be excluded is the '/dev' directory and any directories used by ESETS.

5.2.1. Operation principle

The On-access scanner `esets_dac` (ESETS Dazuko-powered file Access Controller) is a resident

program which provides continuous monitoring and control over the file system. Every file system object is scanned based on customizable file access event types. The following event types are supported by the current version:

Open events

This file access type is activated if the word 'open' is present in the 'event_mask' parameter in the esets.cfg file ([dac] section). In this case, the ON_OPEN bit of Dazuko access mask is set to on.

Close events

This file access type is activated if the word 'close' is present in the 'event_mask' parameter in the esets.cfg file ([dac] section). In this case, the ON_CLOSE bit and ON_CLOSE_MODIFIED bit of Dazuko access mask is set to on.

NOTE: Some OS kernel versions do not support the interception of ON_CLOSE events. In these cases, close events will not be monitored by esets_dac.

Exec events

This file access type is activated if the word 'exec' is present in the 'event_mask' parameter in the esets.cfg file ([dac] section). In this case the ON_EXEC bit of Dazuko access mask is set to on.

In summary, the On-access scanner ensures that all opened, closed and executed files are scanned by the esets_daemon for viruses. Based on the result of such scans, access to given files is denied or allowed.

5.2.2. Installation and configuration

As mentioned previously, the Dazuko kernel module must be compiled and installed within the running kernel before **esets_dac** can be initialized. To compile and install Dazuko, please see: <http://www.dazuko.org/howto-install.shtml>.

Once Dazuko is installed, review and edit the [global] and [dac] sections of the ESETS configuration file (esets.cfg). Note that the proper functioning of the On-access scanner is dependent upon configuration of the 'agent_enabled' option within the [dac] section of this file. Additionally, you must define the file system objects (i.e. directories and files) that are to be monitored by the On-access scanner. This can be accomplished by defining the parameters of the 'ctl_incl' and 'ctl_excl' options, which are also located within the [dac] section. After making changes to the esets.cfg file, you can force the newly created configuration to be re-read by reloading the *ESETS daemon*.

5.2.3. Tips

To ensure that the Dazuko module loads prior to initialization of the **esets_dac** daemon, follow these steps:

Place a copy of the Dazuko module in either of the following directories, which are reserved for kernel modules:

```
    /lib/modules  
or  
    /modules
```

Use the kernel utilities 'depmod' and 'modprobe' (For BSD OS, use 'kldconfig' and 'kldload') to handle dependencies and successful initialization of the newly added Dazuko module. In the **esets_daemon** initialization script '/etc/init.d/esets_daemon', before the daemon

initialization statement, insert the following line:

```
/sbin/modprobe dazuko
```

For BSD OS's the line

```
/sbin/kldconfig dazuko
```

must be inserted into the `'/usr/local/etc/rc.d/esets_daemon.sh'` script.

Warning! It is extremely important that these steps are executed in the exact order given. If the kernel module is not located within the kernel modules directory it will not properly load, resulting in system hang-up.

5.3. On-access scanner using preload LIBC library

In previous sections we described the integration of the On-access scanner powered by Dazuko with Linux/BSD file system services. In this section we would like to point out that the technique using Dazuko may not be desired by system administrators who maintain critical systems where:

- The source code and/or configuration files related to the currently running kernel are not available
- The kernel is more monolithic than modular
- The Dazuko module simply does not support the given OS

In any of these cases, the On-access scanning technique based on the preload LIBC library should be used. See section 5.3.1 below for detailed information. Please note that this section is relevant only for Linux OS users and contains information regarding the operation, installation and configuration of the On-access scanner using the preload library `'libesets_pac.so'`.

5.3.1. Operation principle

The On-access scanner `libesets_pac.so` (ESETS Preload library based file Access Controller) is a shared objects library which is activated at system start-up. This library is used for LIBC calls by file system servers such as FTP server, Samba server etc. Every file system object is scanned based on customizable file access event types. The following event types are supported by the current version:

open events

This file access type is activated if the word 'open' is present in the 'event_mask' parameter in the `eset.cfg` file ([pac] section).

close events

This file access type is activated if the word 'close' is present in the 'event_mask' parameter in the `eset.cfg` file ([pac] section). In this case, all file descriptor and FILE stream close functions of the LIBC are intercepted.

exec events

This file access type is activated if the word 'exec' is present in the 'event_mask' parameter in the `eset.cfg` ([pac] section). In this case, all exec functions of the LIBC are intercepted.

All opened, closed and executed files are scanned by the ESETs daemon for viruses. Based on the result of such scans, access to given files is denied or allowed.

5.3.2. Installation and configuration

The `libesets_pac.so` library module is installed using a standard installation mechanism of the preloaded libraries. One has just to define the environment variable 'LD_PRELOAD' with the absolute path to the `libesets_pac.so` library. For more information, please refer to the `ld.so(8)` man page.

NOTE: It is important that the 'LD_PRELOAD' environment variable is defined only for the network server daemon processes (ftp, Samba, etc.) that will be under control of the On-access scanner. Generally, preloading LIBC calls for all operating system processes is not recommended, as this can dramatically slow the performance of the system or even cause the system to hang. In this sense, the '/etc/ld.so.preload' file should not be used, nor should the 'LD_PRELOAD' environment variable be exported globally. Both would override all relevant LIBC calls, which could lead to system hang-up during initialization.

To ensure that only relevant file access calls within a given file system are intercepted, executable statements can be overridden using the following line:

```
LD_PRELOAD=/path/to/libesets_pac.so COMMAND COMMAND-ARGUMENTS
```

where 'COMMAND COMMAND-ARGUMENTS' is the original executable statement.

Review and edit the [global] and [pac] sections of the ESETs configuration file (`esets.cfg`). In order for the On-access scanner to function correctly, you must define the file system objects (i.e. directories and files) that are required to be under control of the preload library. This can be achieved by defining the parameters of the 'ctl_incl' and 'ctl_excl' options in the [pac] section of the `esets.cfg` configuration file. After making changes to the `esets.cfg` file, you can force the newly created configuration to be re-read by reloading the ESETs daemon.

5.3.3. Tips

In order to activate the On-access scanner immediately after file system start-up, the 'LD_PRELOAD' environment variable must be defined within the appropriate network file server initialization script.

EXAMPLE: Let's assume we want to have the On-access scanner to monitor all file system access events immediately after starting the Samba server. Within the Samba daemon initialization script (`/etc/init.d/smb`), we would replace the statement

```
daemon /usr/sbin/smbd $SMBDOPTIONS
```

with the following line:

```
LD_PRELOAD=/path/to/libesets_pac.so daemon /usr/sbin/smbd $SMBDOPTIONS
```

In this way, selected file system objects controlled by Samba will be scanned at system start-up.



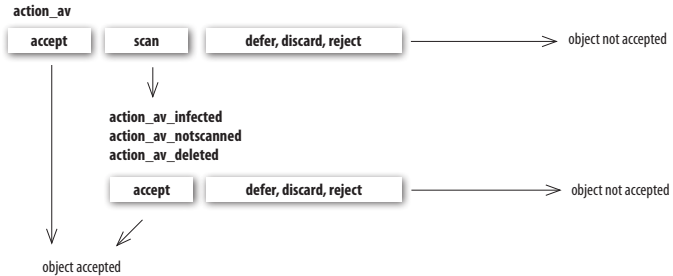
Chapter 6:

Important ESET File Security mechanisms

6.1. Handle Object Policy

The Handle Object Policy (see figure 6-1) mechanism provides filtering of scanned objects based on their status. This functionality is based on the following configuration options: 'action_av', 'action_av_infected', 'action_av_notscanned', 'action_av_deleted'. For detailed information on these options, please refer to the `esets.cfg(5)` man page.

Figure 6-1. Scheme of Handle Object Policy mechanism.



Every object processed is first handled according to the configuration of the 'action_av' option. If this option is set to 'accept' (or 'defer', 'discard', 'reject') the object is accepted (or deferred, discarded, rejected). If the option is set to 'scan' the object is scanned for virus infiltrations, and if the 'av_clean_mode' option is set to 'yes', the object is also cleaned. In addition, the configuration options 'action_av_infected', 'action_av_notscanned' and 'action_av_deleted' are taken into account to further evaluate handling of the object. If an 'accept' action has been taken as a result of these three action options, the object is accepted. Otherwise, the object is blocked.

6.2. User Specific Configuration

The purpose of the User Specific Configuration mechanism is to provide a higher degree of customization and functionality. It allows the system administrator to define *ESETS* antivirus scanner parameters based on the user who is accessing file system objects.

A detailed description of this functionality can be found in the `esets.cfg(5)` man page; in this section we will provide only a short example of a user-specific configuration.

In this example, the goal is to use the `esets_dac` module to control the `ON_OPEN` and `ON_EXEC` access events for an external disc mounted under the `"/home"` directory. The module can be configured in the `[dac]` section of the *ESETS* configuration file. See below:

```
[dac]
agent_enabled = yes
event_mask = "open"
ctl_incl = "/home"
action_av = "scan"
```

To specify scan settings for an individual user, the 'user_config' parameter must specify the

special configuration filename where the individual scanning rules will be stored. In the example shown here, the special configuration file is called 'esets_dac_spec.cfg' and is located within the ESETS configuration directory (This directory is based on your operating system. Please see page 6).

```
[dac]
agent_enabled = yes
event_mask = "open"
ctl_incl = "/home"
action_av = "scan"
user_config = "esets_dac_spec.cfg"
```

Once the 'user_config' file parameter is specified within the [dac] section, the 'esets_dac_spec.cfg' file must be created in the ESETS configuration directory. Finally, add the desired scanning rules.

```
[username]
action_av = "reject"
```

At the top of the special section, enter the username to which the individual rules will be applied. This configuration will allow all other users attempting to access the file-system to be processed normally. i.e., all file system objects accessed by other users will be scanned for infiltrations, except for the user 'username', whose access will be rejected (blocked).

6.3. Samples Submission System

The Samples submission system is an intelligent ThreatSense.NET technology that collects infected objects which have been detected by advanced heuristics and delivers them to the samples submission system server. All virus samples collected by the sample submission system will be processed by the ESET virus laboratory and if necessary, added to the ESET virus signature database.

NOTE: ACCORDING TO OUR LICENSE AGREEMENT: BY ENABLING SAMPLE SUBMISSION SYSTEM YOU ARE AGREEING TO ALLOW THE COMPUTER AND/OR PLATFORM ON WHICH THE ESETS_DAEMON IS INSTALLED TO COLLECT DATA (WHICH MAY INCLUDE PERSONAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU AND/OR THE USER OF THE COMPUTER) AND SAMPLES OF NEWLY DETECTED VIRUSES OR OTHER THREATS AND SEND THEM TO OUR VIRUS LAB. THIS FEATURE IS TURNED OFF BY DEFAULT. ALL INFORMATION COLLECTED WILL BE USED ONLY TO ANALYZE NEW THREATS AND WILL NOT BE USED FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE.

In order to activate the Samples Submission System, the samples submission system cache must be initialized. This can be achieved by enabling the 'samples_enabled' option in the [global] section of the ESETS configuration file. To allow for the actual delivery of samples to the ESET virus laboratory servers, the parameter 'samples_send_enabled' must also be enabled in the same section.

In addition, users can choose to provide the ESET virus laboratory team with supplementary information using the 'samples_provider_mail' and/or 'samples_provider_country' configuration options. The information collected using these options will assist in providing the ESET team with an overview about a given infiltration which may be spreading over the Internet.

For more information on the Samples Submission System, refer to the esets_daemon (8) man page.

6.4. Web Interface

The Web Interface allows user-friendly configuration, administration and license management of ESET Security systems. This module is a separate agent and must be explicitly enabled. To quickly configure the Web Interface, set the following options in the ESETS configuration file and then restart the ESETS daemon:

```
[wwwi]
agent_enabled = yes
listen_addr = address
listen_port = port
username = name
password = pass
```

Substitute your own values for the parameters in italics and direct your browser to 'https://address:port' (note the https). Login with 'username/pass'. Basic usage instructions can be found on the help page and technical details about `esets_wwwi` can be found on the `esets_wwwi (1)` man page.

6.5 Remote Administration

ESETS supports ESET Remote Administration for file security management in large computer networks. For more information, please read the ESET Remote Administrator Manual. This manual is located on our web site, here:

http://download.eset.com/manuals/ESET_ERA_User_Guide_EN.pdf

The ESETS Remote Administration Client is part of the main ESETS daemon. For basic set up, specify the address of your ERA Server using the 'racl_server_addr' parameter in the [global] section of the ESETS configuration file. If an ERA Console password has been established, the 'racl_password' parameter must be defined. All ERA Client variables are listed in the `esets_daemon (8)` man page.

The Unix ESETS ERA Client performs the following functions:

- Communicates with the ERA Server and provides System Information, Configuration, Protection Status and Features
- Allows client configurations to be viewed/modified using the ESET Configuration Editor and applied with a Configuration Task
- Performs On-demand scan and Update Now Tasks as requested, and sends the Scan Logs back to the ERA Server
- Sends notable scans performed by the ESETS daemon to the Threat Log
- Sends all non-debug messages to the Event Log

These functions are not supported:

- Firewall Log
- Remote installation

Chapter 7:

ESET Security system update

7.1. ESETS update utility

To maintain the effectiveness of ESET File Security, the virus signature database must be kept up to date. The `esets_update` utility has been developed for this purpose (see the `esets_update` (8) man page for details). To launch an update, the configuration options `'av_update_username'` and `'av_update_password'` must be defined in the `[global]` section of the ESETS configuration file. In the event that your server accesses the Internet via HTTP proxy, the additional configuration options `'proxy_addr'`, `'proxy_port'` must be defined. If access to the HTTP proxy requires a username and password, the `'proxy_username'` and `'proxy_password'` options must also be defined in this section. To initiate an update, enter the following command:

```
@SBINDIR@/esets_update
```

To provide the highest possible security for the end user, the ESET team continuously collects virus definitions from all over the world—new patterns are added to the virus signature database in very short intervals. For this reason, we recommend that updates be initiated on a regular basis. To specify the update frequency, the `'av_update_period'` option must be defined in the `[global]` section of the ESETS configuration file. The ESETS daemon must be up and running in order to successfully update the virus signature database.

7.2. ESETS update process description

The update process consists of two stages: First, the precompiled update modules are downloaded from the ESET server. If the option `'av_mirror_enabled'` is present in the `[global]` section of the ESETS configuration file, copies (or mirror) of these update modules are created in the following directory:

```
@BASEDIR@/mirror
```

If desired, the Mirror directory path can be redefined using the `'av_mirror_dir'` option in the `[update]` section of the ESETS configuration file. The newly created Mirror thus serves as a fully functional update server and can be used to create lower (child) Mirrors. However, the following conditions must be fulfilled. First, there must be an HTTP server installed on the lower computer where the modules will be downloaded from. Second, the update modules to be downloaded by other computers must be placed in the following directory:

```
/http-serv-base-path/eset_upd
```

In the above example, `'http-serv-base-path'` is a base HTTP server directory path—this is the first place the update utility will search for update modules.

The second stage of the update process is the compilation of modules loadable by the ESET Mail Security scanner from those stored in the local mirror. Typically, the following ESETS loading modules are created: loader module (`em000.dat`), scanner module (`em001.dat`), virus signature database module (`em002.dat`), archives support module (`em003.dat`), advanced heuristics module (`em004.dat`), etc. The modules are created in the following directory:

```
@BASEDIR@
```

This is the directory where the ESETS daemon loads modules from and thus can be redefined using the `'base_dir'` option in the `[global]` section of the ESETS configuration file.



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