

Re: x11 apps traffic not encrypted

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Richard E. Silverman <slade@shore.net> wrote:

>>>>> "DD" == Darren Dunham <ddunham@redwood.taos.com> writes:

> DD> If it's on port 6000, then no it's not encrypted (or otherwise

> DD> being handled by ssh).

> He doesn't say on what side (client/server) he's doing the sniffing, or

> what interface he's looking at; however, as a blanket statement, this is

> false. If he's sniffing on the client side in such a way as to see

> traffic on the loopback, then he would see the plaintext X traffic between

> the SSH client and the X server.

Good point. I wasn't considering that when I wrote the response. It won't happen on solaris though. You can't snoop loopback traffic.

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