

# Manage Snort Rulesets

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# Default Rulesets

## Connectivity over Security

**Favors performance over security controls**

## Balanced

**Default recommended policy for initial deployment**

## Security over Connectivity

**For protected networks and high security requirements**

## Maximum Detection

**Combines rules in other three rulesets**



Updating rules and rulesets  
helps detect new and  
emerging threats



**GUI-based tools**

**Cron jobs**

**Automation scripts**

**Managed platforms**

**Manual downloads and  
updates**

# Rule Management Automation





## New and Emerging Threats

**Can be detected and blocked via new and updated rules**

**IP blocklist updates also assist with detection and mitigation**

# Introducing Pulled Pork 3

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# How it's Cooked

**Originally built in Perl for Snort 2**

**Snort 3 version written in Python 3**

**Installs with mostly standard Python libraries**

**Installs on Windows, Linux, and other Unix-based systems**

**`pulledpork.conf` file is configuration file**



# Pulled Pork Configuration

## Pulledpork.conf

```
# Which Snort/Talos rulesets do you want to download
community_ruleset = true
registered_ruleset = false
LightSPD_ruleset = false
```

```
# which blocklists to download
snort_blocklist = false
et_blocklist = true
```

```
# additional blocklists to download from a
URLblocklist_urls = http://a.b.com/list.list
```

```
# Where to write the blocklist
blocklist_path = /usr/local/etc/lists/default.blocklist
```

```
ips_policy = balanced
```

```
rule_path = /usr/local/etc/rules/pulledpork.rules
```



# Demo



<https://github.com/shirkdog/pulledpork3>

**Install and validate Pulled Pork 3**



# Demo



**Use Pulled Pork 3 to modify rulesets and blocklists in real time**



# Reviewing Snort's Additional Capabilities

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**Cisco tools**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> party tools**  
**Firewall integrations**  
**SIEM integrations**

## Expanding Snort's Capabilities



# Optimizing Snort Data

**Snort output  
plugins**

**Elastic stack  
visualizations**

**Cisco Secure  
Firewall**



**HTTP Inspect**  
**sfPortscan**  
**AppID**

Additional Important  
Pre-processors



# Information About Plugins

**Introduced in Snort 1.5**

**Started as detection plugins or pre-processors**

**Detection plugins look for specific aspects of packets**

**Snort 3 has full plugin system**

**Snort 2 only provides pre-processor and output plugins**



# Additional Snort Resources



[\*\*https://www.snort.org/documents#OfficialDocumentation\*\*](https://www.snort.org/documents#OfficialDocumentation)



**Pluralsight Skill Path: Network Monitoring with Snort**



[\*\*https://blog.snort.org\*\*](https://blog.snort.org)



[\*\*https://www.snort.org/integrators\*\*](https://www.snort.org/integrators)





# Demo Placeholder



Thank You!

