

Advanced Threat Analytics

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Sobering statistics

243

The average number of days that attackers reside within a victim's network before detection



76%

of all network intrusions are due to compromised user credentials



\$500B

The total potential cost of cybercrime to the global economy



\$3.5M

The average cost of a data breach to a company



The frequency and sophistication of cybersecurity attacks are getting worse.

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The problem

Traditional IT security tools are typically:

▶ Complex

Initial setup, fine-tuning, creating rules and thresholds/baselines can take a long time.

▶ Prone to false positives

You receive too many reports in a day with several false positives that require valuable time you don't have.

▶ Designed to protect the perimeter

When user credentials are stolen and attackers are in the network, your current defenses provide limited protection.

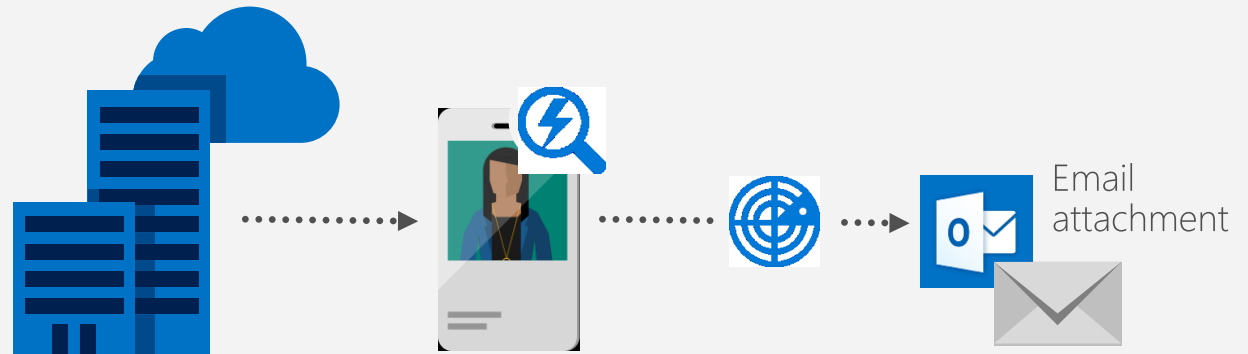
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Comparison:

- Credit card companies monitor cardholders' behavior.
- If there is any abnormal activity, they will notify the cardholder to verify charge.

Microsoft Advanced Threat Analytics brings this concept to IT and users of a particular organization



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Behavioral
Analytics



Detection for known
attacks and issues



Advanced Threat
Detection

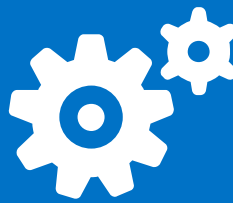
Advanced Threat Analytics Benefits

Detect threats fast with Behavioral Analytics



No need for creating rules, fine-tuning or monitoring a flood of security reports, the intelligence needed is ready to analyze and self-learning.

Adapt as fast as your enemies



ATA continuously learns from the organizational entity behavior (users, devices, and resources) and adjusts itself to reflect the changes in your rapidly-evolving enterprise.

Focus on what is important fast using the simple attack timeline



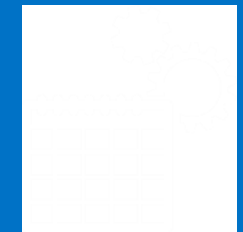
The attack timeline is a clear, efficient, and convenient feed that surfaces the right things on a timeline, giving you the power of perspective on the "who-what-when-and how" of your enterprise.

Reduce the fatigue of false positives



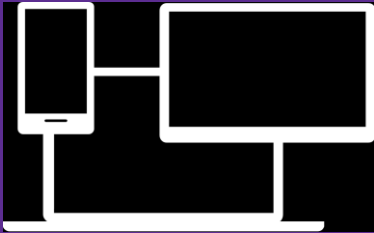
Alerts only happen once suspicious activities are contextually aggregated, not only comparing the entity's behavior to its own behavior, but also to the profiles of other entities in its interaction path.

Prioritize and plan for next steps



For each suspicious activity or known attack identified, ATA provides recommendations for the investigation and remediation.

Key features



Mobility support

- Witnesses all authentication and authorization to the organizational resources within the corporate perimeter or on mobile devices



Integration to SIEM

- Works seamlessly with SIEM
- Provides options to forward security alerts to your SIEM or to send emails to specific people

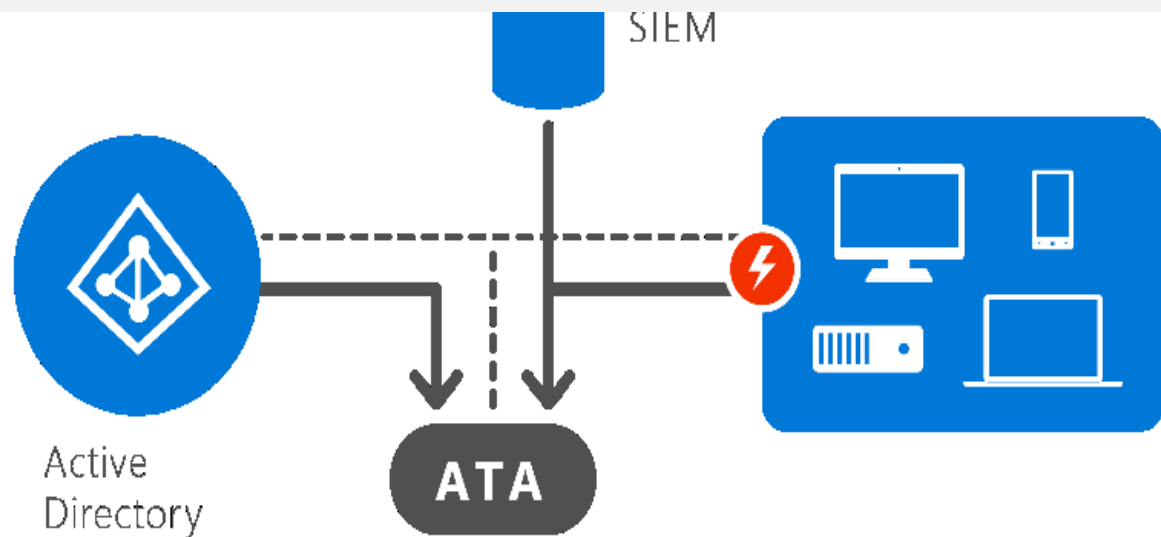


Seamless deployment

- Functions as an appliance hardware or virtual
- Utilizes port mirroring to allow seamless deployment alongside AD
- Does not affect existing network topology

How Microsoft Advanced Threat Analytics works

1 Analyze

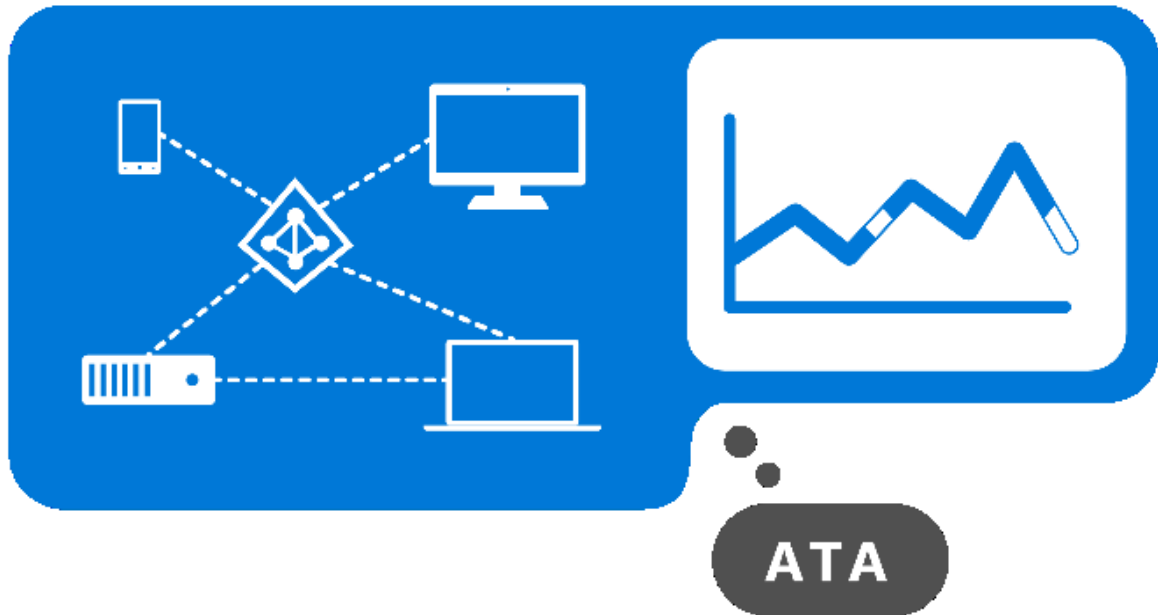


After installation:

- Simple non-intrusive port mirroring configuration copies all AD-related traffic
- Remains invisible to the attackers
- Analyzes all Active Directory traffic
- Collects relevant events from SIEM and other sources

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2 Learn



ATA:

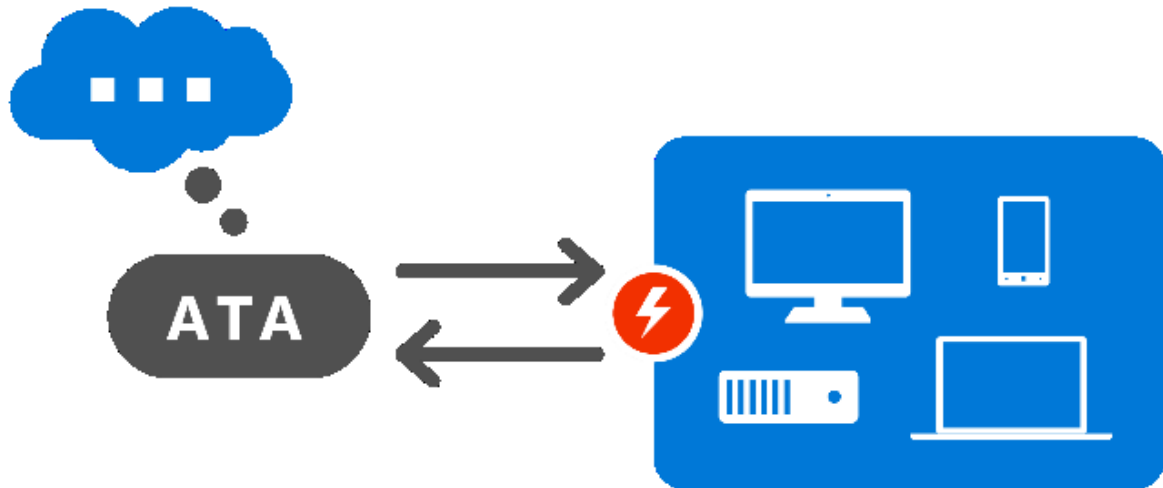
- Automatically starts learning and profiling entity behavior
- Identifies normal behavior for entities
- Learns continuously to update the activities of the users, devices, and resources

What is entity?

Entity represents users, devices, or resources

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3 Detect



Microsoft Advanced Threat Analytics:

- Looks for abnormal behavior and identifies suspicious activities
- Only raises red flags if abnormal activities are contextually aggregated
- Leverages world-class security research to detect known attacks and security issues (regional or global)

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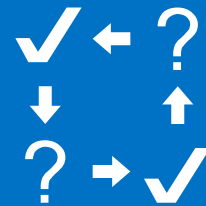
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4 Alert

ATA reports all suspicious activities on a simple, functional, actionable attack timeline



ATA identifies
Who?
What?
When?
How?



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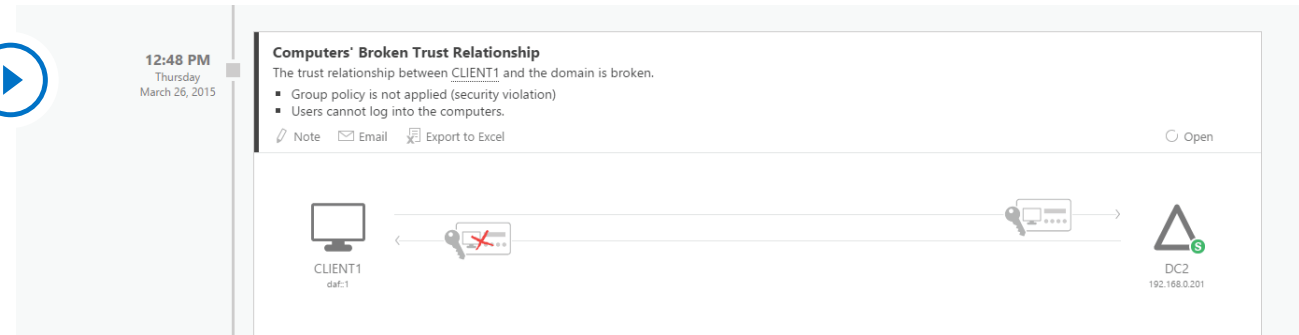


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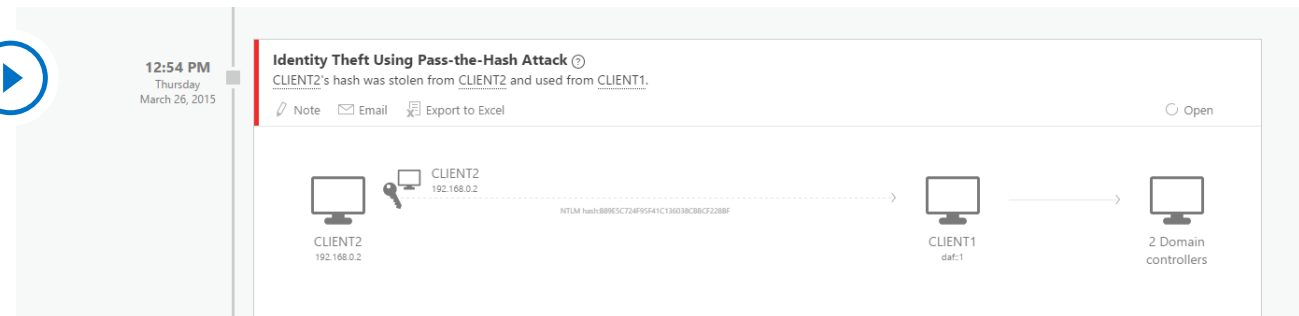
Security issues and risks

- Broken trust
- Weak protocols
- Known protocol vulnerabilities



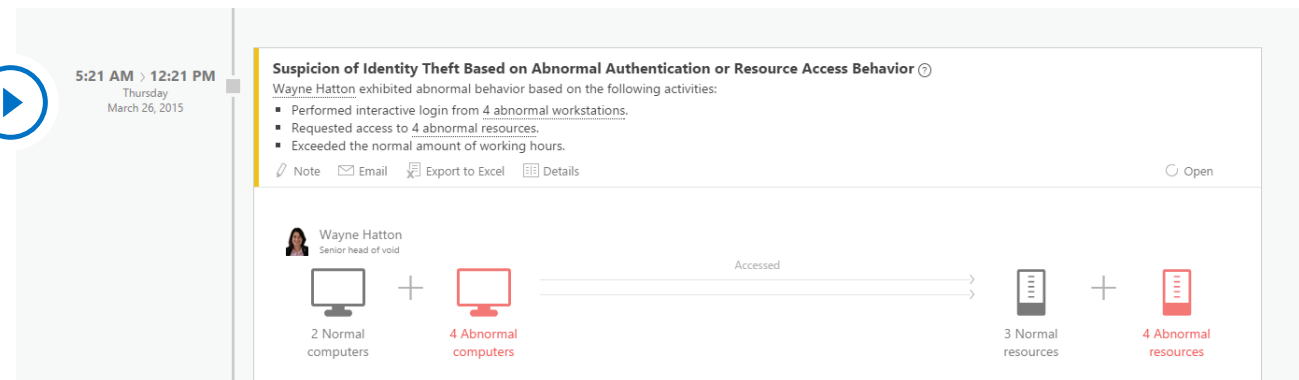
Malicious attacks

- Pass-the-Ticket (PtT)
- Pass-the-Hash (PtH)
- Overpass-the-Hash
- Forged PAC (MS14-068)
- Golden Ticket
- Skeleton key malware
- Reconnaissance
- BruteForce

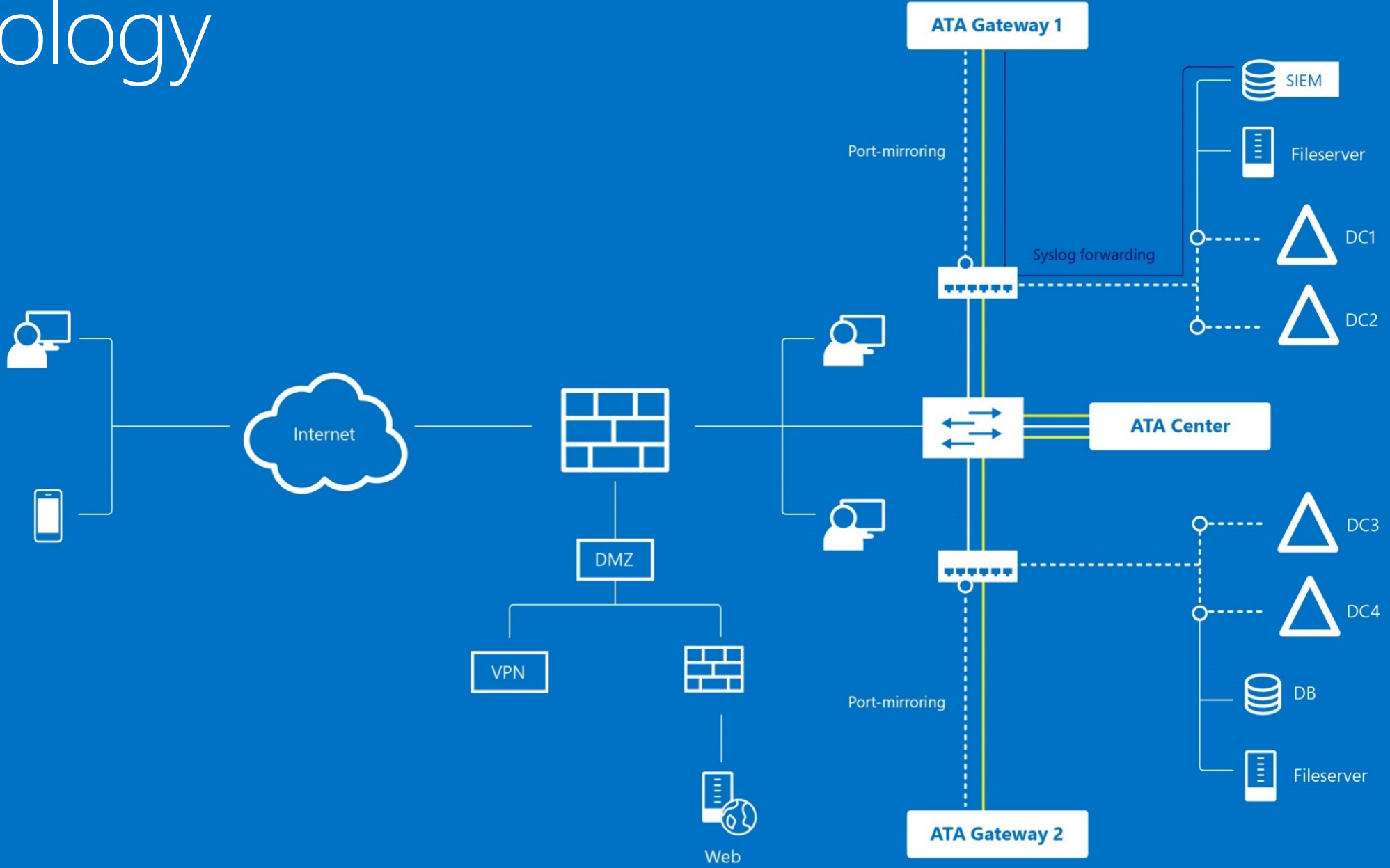


Abnormal Behavior

- Anomalous logins
- Remote execution
- Suspicious activity
- Unknown threats
- Password sharing
- Lateral movement

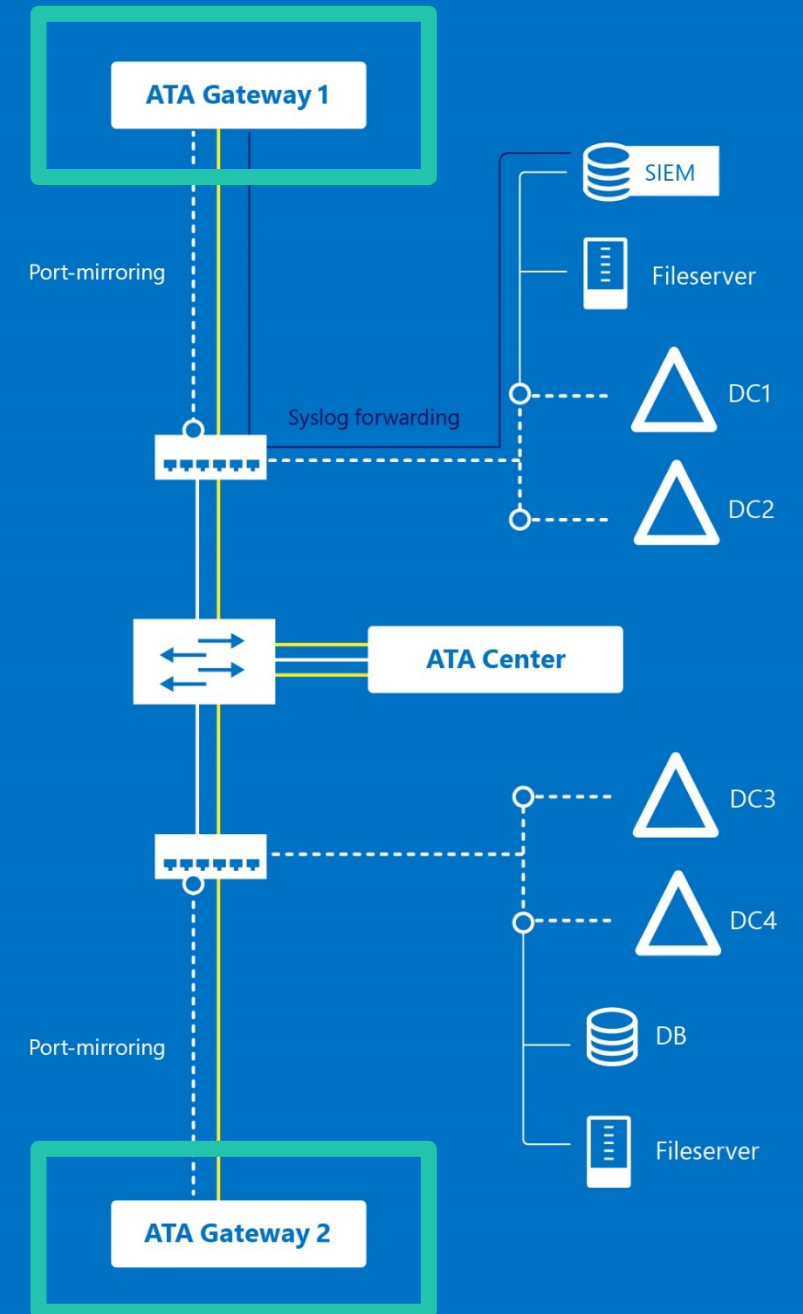


Topology



Topology - Gateway

- ▶ Captures and analyzes DC network traffic via port mirroring
- ▶ Listens to multiple DCs from a single Gateway
- ▶ Receives events from SIEM
- ▶ Retrieves data about entities from the domain
- ▶ Performs resolution of network entities
- ▶ Transfers relevant data to the ATA Center



Resources

- Advanced Threat Analytics - <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/server-cloud/products/advanced-threat-analytics/>
- EMS beyond BYOD - <https://mva.microsoft.com/en-US/training-courses/enterprise-mobility-suite-beyond-bring-your-own-device-15707>
- Microsoft Advanced Threat Analytics - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V57I-EAvdL4>
- ATA Prerequisites - <https://technet.microsoft.com/en-US/library/dn707709.aspx>
- Microsoft ATA Technet Library - <https://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/dn707706.aspx>
- 90 day ATA evaluation version - <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/evalcenter/evaluate-microsoft-advanced-threat-analytics>

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