

ECE 435 – Network Engineering

Lecture 24

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Announcements

- Don't forget projects next week
Sent out a tentative schedule
- Don't forget HW#10 due
- Final is Thursday May 4th 1:30pm, here



HW#9 Review – Frame

- Ethernet header: MAC/MAC/IPv4
MAC addresses are 00:11:22:33:44:55 (they don't look like IP addresses)
Note not size, as it's 2048 and size must be smaller than 1500
0x800 means IPv4
- Speed Dragon – cheap 2nd ethernet card in my gateway / Pi Foundation
- MAC address is that of router



HW#9 Review – Questions

- ARP / maps IP addresses (or other) to MAC. Given IP, what's MAC. Not MAC, what's IP (that's reverse-ARP and rarely needed)
- Ethernet was cheaper
- 64 bytes ensured a collision could happen
- Maximum size of 1500 was due to cost of RAM, but also the larger it is the more likely an error can happen
- Ethernet drops things on floor if error



HW#9 Review – Investigation

- Collision count low? Most likely you're connected to a switch so there aren't any collisions. Full duplex I guess is equivalent. (few devices on network?)
- any way to tell speed?
can use `ethtool`



Network Security

As described by Tannenbaum

- Secrecy – keeping private data from others
- Authentication – being sure person is who they claim
- Nonrepudiation – signed documents, how do you prove a document is an original
- Integrity control – make sure document sent is the one that was received, unmodified

Possibly also include code mistakes/exploits.



Network Security: Which Layer?



Physical Layer Security – Air Gapping

- Just don't use network
- Move files via USB? Can that have security issues?
Stuxnet?
- Separate networks for sensitive info. What is secret?
 - Classified info
 - Credit card info
 - Secret signing keys



Physical Layer Security – TEMPEST

- Telling what computers are doing based on radiated signals
- Tell what machines are doing by radio interference
- Old CRT monitors could tell by RF, also if have view of room by brightness as screen scanned
- Interference in nearby cables, ground, parallel lines
- Blinking lights on routers
- Lasers bouncing off windows
- Soviet gift of US seal with hidden chambers that would



vibrate when people talk, modify a microwave signal shot through the room



Physical Layer Security – Side Channel Leaks

- Intentionally leaking info via side channel
 - What if paranoid and they epoxied the USB ports shut
 - Keyboard light
 - QR-codes on screen
 - Varying fan speed
 - Sound (ultrasound?)



Physical Layer Security – Other

- Using fiber – harder to tap than wired
- Don't use wifi
- Locking wiring closets
- Pressurizing cable lines (notice if someone drills in to tap)
- No cell phones/recording devices in secure areas
Cell-phone garage
- Evil USB chargers
- CANBUS in cars



Link Layer – Wired

- Switches vs Hubs
 - The move to switches massively increased security on ethernet networks
- Frames can be encrypted
- Usually have to be at least partially decrypted (to expose routing info) to get the next layer
- Attacks
 - ARP spoofing / Port Stealing
 - CAM attacks – overflow the address mapping tables



If switch doesn't have room to hold all addresses, falls back to broadcasting the packets and then everyone can see them

- DoS – ARP spoofing, convince switch that the MAC address for actual machine is a non-existent
- DHCP exhaustion
- Spanning Tree Attacks – convince network wrong switch is the root
- VLAN attacks – escape VLAN by messing with headers
- Methods
 - Lock down ports so can't be changed by ARP



- Switch can notice unknown MAC addresses and not allow connection, or ban port



Link Layer Security – Wireless

- Wireless: hidden node, deauth attack
- Eavesdropping
- Masquerading (pretending to be another)
- Traffic Analysis
- Jamming
- Ways to lock things down
 - Encryption
 - Forcing registration/authentication before allowing on network



Link Layer – POTS Phone Phreaking

- 2600 Hz, Captain Crunch
 - 2600 Hz tone would cause connection to disconnect, but you could send combinations of tones to re-route
- Blue boxes
- Steve Wozniak



Link Layer – Cellphones

- Stealing phones
- Sim / esim/ isim
- Password reset/guessing
- More Paranoid
 - Tracking
 - Firmware hacked to enable MIC even though phone off
 - Removing battery/Faraday cage shielding?



Network Layer Security

- IP security (IPSEC) (RFC 2401, 2402, 2403)
 - Add authentication/encryption at the IP level via extra headers
 - authentication header
 - HAC (hashed message authentication code), mostly made irrelevant by ESP
 - ESP (encapsulating security protocol)
 - Commonly used for site-to-site VPN
- Firewall



- VPN
- Attacks
 - BGP blackhole
 - Exploits of unpatched router vulnerabilities



Transport Layer Security

- Encryption, like SSL and ssh
- Attacks
 - See summary later



Application Layer Security

- This is where authentication, signing, etc. happens



Types of Attacks



Social Engineering

- People like being helpful
- “Not my Problem”
- Can defeat many of these at all layers
- Physical access
 - Tailgating into businesses
 - Show up with hardhat / high-vis vest
 - Dress like a UPS delivery person with package
- Telephone
 - Call and claim boss demands something



Depending on culture people not want to annoy boss

- Public directories of company employees and position, can make it sound like you know people
- e-mail
 - Fake invoices
 - Impersonate boss
- Backdoors



Network Attacks

- DoS – somehow manage to make a service unusable (often by overwhelming network and/or crashing machine)
 - botnets
 - DDoS – distributed, large number of machines contributing
 - smurf attack – send forged ICMP packet with faked source to broadcast address, all on network will reply to the forged IP



- fraggle attack – like smurf but chargen or echo ports used instead
- Syn Floods/ping flood
- ping of death
- nuke attack – send out-of-band data (with URG set?) to netbios port on windows machine, crash it
- HTTP POST attacks – make valid http post request but only very slowly send data, tying up the server
- IP fragmentation
too small or too large (confuse router)
fragment overlap (teardrop), send overlapping



fragments, can confuse OS or allow constructing final packets that bypass firewall checks

- Amplification attacks
- backscatter – due to spoofed addresses, can get reflections from attack in progress elsewhere



Vulnerabilities

- Buffer overflows
- Untrusted/Unsanitized input
- Backdoors



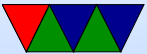
Other Issues

- cross-site scripting/XSS
- Malware
- Virus / Worms (morris worm) / Trojan
- Phishing
- MiTM
- Ransomware
- Fuzzing



Fuzzing

- TODO



Mitigations

- blackholing/sinkholing. Send all traffic to non-existent server
- firewalls



VPN/Tunnel

- Create a tunnel, TCP/IP inside of TCP/IP directly from your machine into remote network (past firewall) or network-network.
- Link layer tunnel – all Ethernet packets go through as if were local
- IPSEC – IP level tunnel, IP in certain range (or all) go through the secure IP tunnel to other side



Firewalls

- Runs on machine, intercepts all incoming packets before allowing them through.
- packet-filter based – looks at layer3/layer4 fast because addr/port fixed locations
- application-gateway – looks into protocol may be a proxy server (so can do things like filter http requests to certain websites)
- Organization – firewall to outside, extra DMZ layer where any servers might be, then an additional more



restrictive firewall to internal network. why? if servers compromised don't want free reign over rest of network.



Firewalls

- 1st generation – packet filtering. Check for port number or IP destination and drop if not OK
- 2nd generation – stateful firewall. Keep a packet history so it can make decisions based on state of connection (new connection, existing connection, etc)
- 3rd generation – application level. Can understand protocols like ftp, http, etc, and make decisions
- Deep packet inspection – can be used to block viruses and such, but also censorship



- eBPF
- DMZ



iptables

- Linux changes up firewall interface all the time
- ipfwadm (linux 1.2 - 2.2)
- ipchains (linux 2.2 - 2.4) stateless
- netfilter/iptables (2.4) – stateful firewall
can filter on lots of things. BPF filters
NAT is done via this
port forwarding
had 4 separate engines (ipv4, ipv6, ethernet, arp)
- nftables (linux 3.13) – merges things, virtual machine



(but not BPF) to speed things up

- Separate ip6tables utility for setting IPv6 rules
- Also arptables/ebtables for filtering ethernet



iptables example

```
# Flush all rules
```

```
iptables -F
```

```
iptables -t nat -F
```

```
iptables -t mangle -F
```

```
iptables -A FORWARD -i eth1 -o eth0 -m state --state ESTABLISHED,RELATED -j ACCEPT
```

```
iptables -A FORWARD -i eth0 -o eth1 -j ACCEPT
```

```
iptables -t nat -A POSTROUTING -o eth1 -j MASQUERADE
```

```
echo 1 > /proc/sys/net/ipv4/ip_forward
```

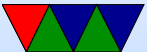
```
iptables -t nat -A PREROUTING -p tcp -i eth1 --dport 2131 -j DNAT --to-destination 1
```

```
iptables -A FORWARD -p tcp -d 192.168.8.18 --dport 22 -m state --state NEW,ESTABLISH
```



ssh security

- Fail2ban
- Nonstandard port
- Port knocking
- Call asterisk for one-time pin?
- No-password (key only)
- LCD device



encryption problems

- Keys leaked (DVD/game console issues)
- poor random numbers used (Debian problem)
- differential cryptanalysis (start with similar plaintexts and see what patterns occur in output) [DES IBM/NSA story]
- Power/Timing analysis – note power usage or timing/cache/cycles when encryption going on, can leak info on key or algorithm

