

Open questions (60%)

Provide an answer within the space allocated for each question.

1. Explain why firewall rules based on IP address blacklisting do not provide enough protection against the spoofing attack.

2. Describe how packet filtering firewalls are different from stateful firewalls.

3. List and briefly describe the chains traversed by a packet that has to be forwarded by a firewall that uses iptables.

4. Compare pros and cons of a VPN operating at Network Layer with respect to a VPN operating at Transport Layer.

5. Describe the challenges of using NAT with a VPN.

6. Enumerate and succinctly describe the messages of a SSL handshake.

7. Describe the second A of the AAA functions of RADIUS.

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6	7.947436...	100.64.100.28	100.64.100.24	TCP	94	80 → 47808 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28560
7	7.947471...	100.64.100.24	100.64.100.28	TCP	86	47808 → 80 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=28800 Len=0
8	7.947605...	100.64.100.24	100.64.100.28	HTTP	433	GET / HTTP/1.1
9	7.947695...	100.64.100.28	100.64.100.24	TCP	86	80 → 47808 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=348 Win=29696 Len=0
10	7.948401...	100.64.100.28	100.64.100.24	TCP	103	80 → 47808 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=348 Win=2969
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12	7.948535...	100.64.100.28	100.64.100.24	TCP	124	80 → 47808 [PSH, ACK] Seq=18 Ack=348 Win=296
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8. Describe what can you recognize in the captured packets of the above figure.

9. Describe what the client has to present to a resource server when using Kerberos.

10. Describe the functions of the Berkeley Packet Filters and provide two examples of their use.

Multi-choice questions (40%)

Mark all the options you think are correct.

1. In iptables:
 - A. MANGLE is a possible target
 - B. MASQUERADE is a possible target ★
 - C. DNAT is a possible target ★
 - D. another chain is a possible target ★
2. Which of the following protocol/port-number associations are correct?
 - A. LDAP/389 ★
 - B. RADIUS/1812 ★
 - C. TLS/445
 - D. ICMP/501
3. Which statement is false when considering iptables:
 - A. the PREROUTING chain is used to perform NAT
 - B. the POSTROUTING chain is used to perform NAT
 - C. the INPUT chain is used to perform filtering
 - D. the OUTPUT chain is used to perform NAT ★
4. Heartbleed is...
 - A. A mechanism to keep a TLS connection alive
 - B. A mechanism to establish a TLS connection
 - C. A bug in the TLS connection establishment
 - D. An bug in an old implementation of TLS ★
5. Which of the following steps do not occur during the establishment of a HTTPS connection?
 - A. The server send to the client the shared key that they will use to encrypt the communication. ★
 - B. The client sends to the server the shared key that they will use to encrypt the communication. ★
 - C. The client receives from the server a certificate with its public key.
 - D. Server and client generate the shared key that they will use to encrypt the communication.
6. Which of the following fields is not mentioned in the standard format of RADIUS packets?
 - A. BindRequest ★
 - B. AddRequest ★
 - C. Code
 - D. Length
7. In which directories are different from databases?
 - A. Only databases are characterized as a write-once-read-many-times service
 - B. Data that would normally be stored in an LDAP service would not be expected often
 - C. Only to query databases you need detailed knowledge of the data even if distributed among multiple servers
 - D. Only with LDAP you can have data to be consistent at all times, organization into tables, joins, primary keys and so on
8. The TLS protocol
 - A. can only be used with HTTP
 - B. is a protocol that works at the APPLICATION level
 - C. uses both symmetric and asymmetric cryptography ★
 - D. can also provide client authentication ★
9. Which of the following encryption methods are supported by Kerberos?
 - A. ECDSA
 - B. DES ★
 - C. AES ★
 - D. RSA
10. What is a firewall condition in which any traffic not specifically permitted by a previous rule in the rule set is denied?
 - A. Packet filtering
 - B. Flood guarding
 - C. Implicit deny ★
 - D. Explicit deny
11. An IP packet with the fraglag set to 1:
 - A. can be dropped by iptables ★
 - B. is automatically dropped by iptables
 - C. must have the offset field set to 0
 - D. is the last packet of a group of fragmented IP packet
12. Which of the following is true in LDAP?
 - A. A RDN must be unique for any single entry in the whole DIT
 - B. A DN must be unique for any single entry in the whole DIT ★
 - C. All the values defined by a objectclass schema are mandatory
 - D. An entry is composed by several attributes, each with one or more values ★

13. You have a firewall configured with the following iptables commands (consider the variables names as self explanatory):

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iptables -A INPUT ! -s $ADMIN_CONSOLE_IP -p tcp \
--dport 22 -j DROP
iptables -A FORWARD -i $INTERN_IFACE -p udp \
--dport 53 -j ACCEPT
iptables -A FORWARD -i $INTERN_IFACE -p udp \
-m state --state ESTABLISHED -j ACCEPT
iptables -P FORWARD DROP
iptables -A FORWARD -d $DMZ_PROXY -p tcp \
--dport 443 -j ACCEPT
iptables -A FORWARD -s $DMZ_PROXY -p tcp \
-m state --state ESTABLISHED,RELATED -j ACCEPT
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Which of the following packets will pass the set of rules?

- A. an ssh connection from \$ADMIN_CONSOLE_IP to \$EXTERNAL_FW_IP ★
 - B. a ping from \$ADMIN_CONSOLE_IP to \$EXTERNAL_FW_IP ★
 - C. a ping from \$ADMIN_CONSOLE_IP to \$INTERNAL_HOST
 - D. a DNS query from \$INTERNAL_HOST to 8.8.8.8 ★
 - E. an ssh connection from \$ADMIN_CONSOLE_IP to \$INTERNAL_HOST
 - F. an HTTPS GET request from \$INTERNAL_HOST to \$WEB_SERVER_IP
14. What is taking place when a network device uses the MAC address of another device, attempting to change the ARP tables of third device through forged traffic and the ARP table-update mechanism?
- A. MAC flooding
 - B. ARP poisoning ★
 - C. ARP flooding
 - D. MAC poisoning
15. What is the difference between transport mode and tunnel mode in IPsec?
- A. Only transport mode is unencrypted
 - B. Only tunneling mode does not encrypt the header
 - C. Only tunneling mode is unencrypted
 - D. Only transport mode does not encrypt the header ★
16. If you want to configure a firewall so that the hosts within the internal network can only browse the Internet over HTTPS and ping external hosts, which of the following rules are likely to be required, among others?

- A. accept the TCP packets with source port 80 starting from the internal network
- B. allow all ICMP traffic
- C. accept the TCP packets with destination port 443 directed to the internal network, that are part of an established connection
- D. only allow ICMP echo-requests from to the internal network to the Internet, and ICMP echo-replies directed to the internal network ★

17. Which statements are false regarding a DMZ?

- A. It is the network where the most critical servers of an enterprise are placed ★
- B. In a dual-homed host configuration, the bastion host is the only point of access to the internal network
- C. It is a type of network that encrypts all the traffic before sending it to internet ★
- D. In a screened subnet configuration, there is the need of two routers

18. In the string TLS_DH_DSS_WITH_3DES_EDE_CBC_SHA:

- A. DSS stands for Digital Secure Socket
- B. 3DES is the system required to sign
- C. CBC stands for Cipher Block Chaining ★
- D. DH stands for Diffie-Hellman key exchange ★

19. We can NOT use iptables to:

- A. filter unwanted packets
- B. perform NAT
- C. block ICMP packets
- D. establish a VPN ★

20. Considering the priorities of iptables chains

- A. NAT chain is processed before FILTER but after MANGLE ★
- B. MANGLE chain is processed before NAT but after FILTER
- C. MANGLE chain is processed before FILTER but after NAT
- D. NAT chain is processed before MANGLE but after FILTER