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Protocol Attacks

Objectives:

- List and describe common types of Protocol DoS/DDoS attacks
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- Give us some info about common Protocol-based DoS/DDoS attacks.
 - SYN Flood
 - Remember TCP 3-way handshake
 - What does the SYN packet do? (starts to establish a connection)
 - The target must track partially open connections (**listen queue**)
 - Listen Queue tracks for at least 75 seconds
 - Attacker sends multiple SYN request
 - Never responds to the SYN/ACK (SYN/ACK flood is similar to this attack)
 - `sudo hping3 --syn --flood -p RPORT RHOST`
 - Target's listen queue is overwhelmed
 - Target can no longer service connection requests
 - ACK / PSH-ACK Flood
 - Send a bunch of ACK or PSH-ACK packets to target
 - LOIC DEMO (tcp attack is a PSH-ACK attack)
 - Fragmentation
 - Attacker sends large number of fragmented packets
 - Target's resources are consumed as it is overwhelmed trying to reassemble fragmented packets
 - Attack is more effective if fragments are randomized
 - Can bypass firewalls/IDS/IPS solutions