## **Mac Flooding**

A MAC flooding is a technique employed to compromise the security of network switches. The attack works by forcing legitimate MAC table contents out of the switch and forcing a unicast flooding behavior potentially sending sensitive information to portions of the network where it is not normally intended to go.

The goal of this lab is to intercept and decrypt messages exchanged between two hosts (from our GNS3 lab) performing a MAC Flooding attack. Let's call the first host H1 and the second one H2.

In this scenario we have to act as the **Attacker**. More in detail, we have to build a Python3 script able to spoof packet using **MAC Flooding** techniques. In order to do that, we have to send many ARP messages onto a local area network using many different (random) mac address with the aim to fill the switch mac address table. In this way, the traffic meant for our victim (H2) will be sent in broadcast and thus the attacker will be able to intercept its messages.

## **Prerequisites**

- Download and run the packetSenderMac.py on host\_1 H1
- Execute the script on H1

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packetSenderMac.py <HOST_1_SRC_IP> <HOST_2_DST_IP>
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## Hints:

- In order to send ARP messages onto local area network using Python3, install scapy python module
- Arp messages can be sent using the following function:
  - o sendp(Ether(src=<<MAC\_ADDRESS>>, dst=<<MAC\_ADDRESS>>)/ARP(op=2, psrc="<<IP\_ADDRESS(Or subnet)>>", hwdst="<<BROADCAST\_MAC\_ADDRESS>>"), loop=1)
- A random mac address can be generated using RandMac() function in scapy
- Data can be filtered using tshark
- Remember that data collected from tshark are in byte, thus they must be converted in base64
- Some data are in plaintext, some other are crypted. Decrypt data using discovered password and encryption algorithm openssl enc -a <ALGORITHM> -k <KEY> -d -pbkdf2 -base64