# Firewalls

## **Defining Firewalls**

Aim to protect your network and devices connected to it

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- Any security system protecting the boundary of an internal network
- Typically uses packet filters and/or proxies

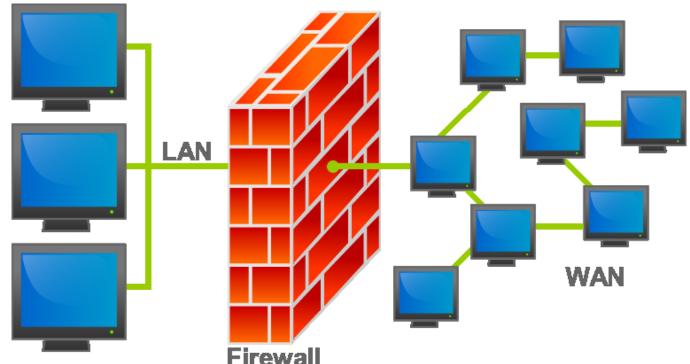
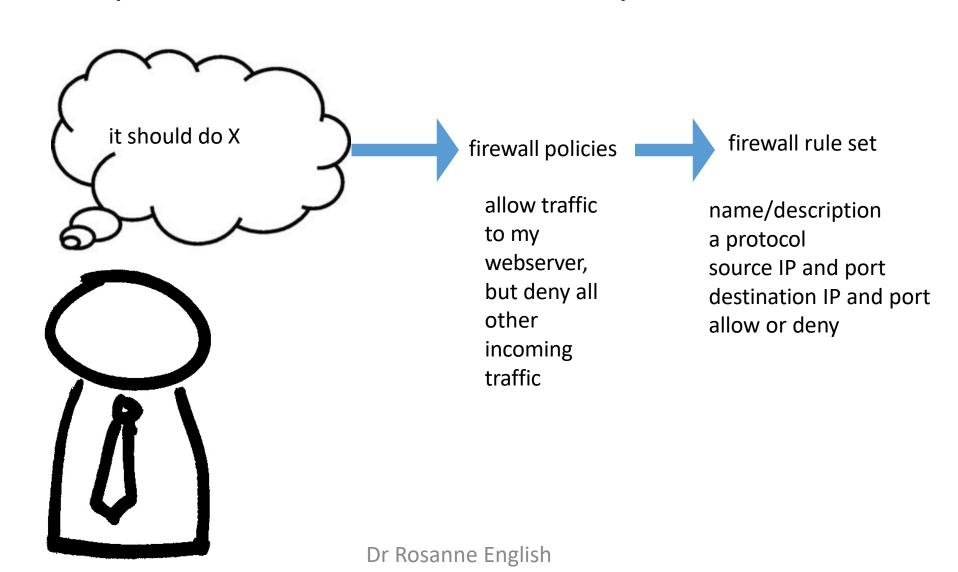


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### Packet Filtering

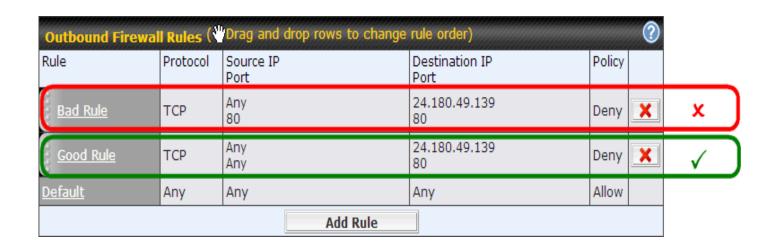
- Can be based on
  - Source address e.g. packets from internet with internal IP
  - Destination address e.g. only allow packets to bastion host
  - Protocol e.g. Telnet, SSH etc. ports
- Custom rules inbound/outbound
- Accepted | Denied | Dropped

### Firewall policies and rule sets process



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Only looks for requests from port 80 to port 80, but we could have HTTP requests from any port between 1024-65535



### Good or bad rules?

- Conflating policies
- Default rule

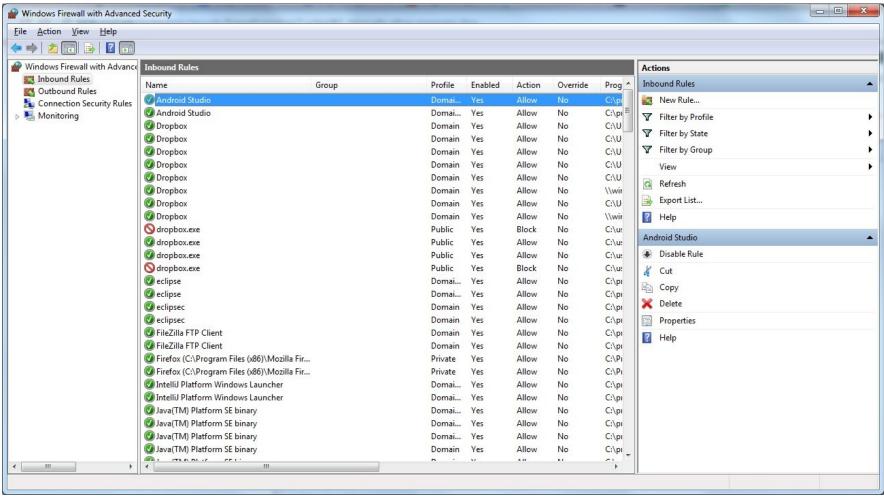


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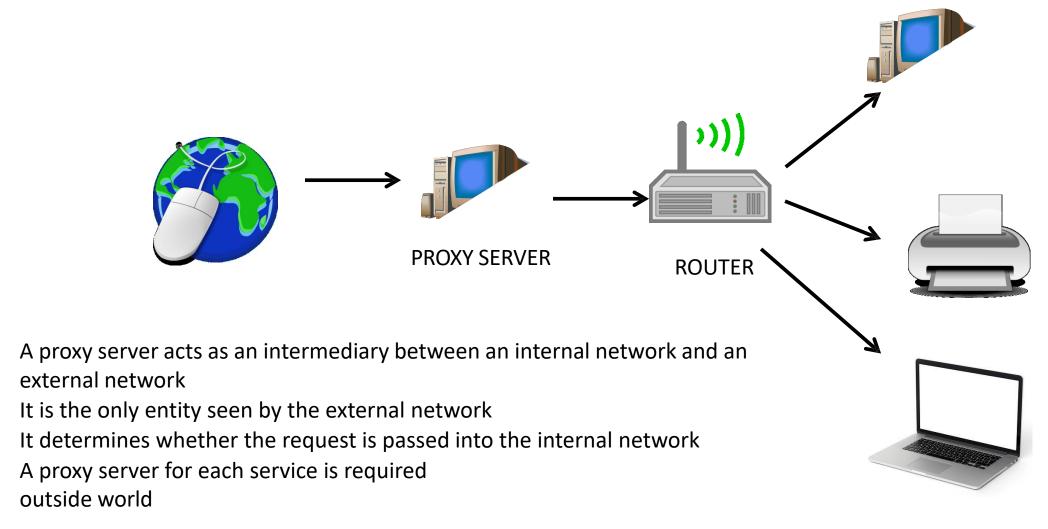
#### Common Policies

- Deny everything which hasn't been specifically allowed (white listed)
- Allow everything not specifically denied (black listed)

### Windows Firewall



#### Proxies



# Proxy Firewall Operations

- Host IP address hiding
- Header destruction
- Protocol enforcement