

Internal Linux: IP configuration

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Connected (unencrypted) to: Xen-int-lin_new_base135

Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT 4 packets, 328 bytes)
  pkts bytes target    prot opt in     out     source               destination

vlab-debian:~# ifconfig
eth0      Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 02:00:87:b6:0d:01
          inet addr:10.20.111.2  Bcast:10.20.111.255  Mask:255.255.255.0
          inet6 addr: fe80::87ff:feb6:d01/64 Scope:Link
          UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST  MTU:1500  Metric:1
          RX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
          TX packets:36 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:1000
          RX bytes:0 (0.0 B)  TX bytes:1728 (1.6 KiB)
          Interrupt:32 Base address:0x4000

lo        Link encap:Local Loopback
          inet addr:127.0.0.1  Mask:255.0.0.0
          inet6 addr: ::1/128 Scope:Host
          UP LOOPBACK RUNNING  MTU:16436  Metric:1
          RX packets:18 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
          TX packets:18 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:0
          RX bytes:1520 (1.4 KiB)  TX bytes:1520 (1.4 KiB)

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Initial IP Table:

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Connected (unencrypted) to: Xen-int-lin_new_base135

vlab-debian:~# iptables -nVL
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT 4 packets, 384 bytes)
  pkts bytes target    prot opt in     out     source               destination

Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT 0 packets, 0 bytes)
  pkts bytes target    prot opt in     out     source               destination

Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT 8 packets, 656 bytes)
  pkts bytes target    prot opt in     out     source               destination

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PART A

1) [15 pts] The internal machine should respond to a ping from 10.10.111.0/24:

-> iptables -A INPUT -s 10.10.111.0/24 -m conntrack --ctstate NEW,ESTABLISHED -j ACCEPT

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Connected (unencrypted) to: Xen-int-lin_new_base135
vlab-debian:~# iptables -L
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target     prot opt source                destination            ctstate NEW,ESTABLISHED
ACCEPT     all  --  10.10.111.0/24         anywhere               SHED

Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT)
target     prot opt source                destination

Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target     prot opt source                destination
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TCP Packet sent from BT5 and monitored using WIRESHARK

The image shows a Wireshark packet capture interface. The top section displays a list of four packets. Packet 4 is selected, showing details for a TCP RST, ACK packet from 10.20.111.2 to 10.10.111.106. The bottom section shows the raw packet data in hexadecimal and ASCII format.

| No. | Time | Source | Destination | Protocol | Info |
|-----|----------|-------------------|-------------------|----------|--|
| 1 | 0.000000 | 10.10.111.106 | 10.20.111.2 | TCP | ftp-data > ndmp [SYN] Seq=0 Win=8192 Len=0 |
| 2 | 0.007880 | 02:00:87:d2:0f:01 | Broadcast | ARP | Who has 10.10.111.106? Tell 10.10.111.2 |
| 3 | 0.007937 | 02:00:87:46:05:01 | 02:00:87:d2:0f:01 | ARP | 10.10.111.106 is at 02:00:87:46:05:01 |
| 4 | 0.009118 | 10.20.111.2 | 10.10.111.106 | TCP | ndmp > ftp-data [RST, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=0 Len=0 |

Frame 4: 60 bytes on wire (480 bits), 60 bytes captured (480 bits)

Ethernet II, Src: 02:00:87:d2:0f:01 (02:00:87:d2:0f:01), Dst: 02:00:87:46:05:01 (02:00:87:46:05:01)

Internet Protocol, Src: 10.20.111.2 (10.20.111.2), Dst: 10.10.111.106 (10.10.111.106)

Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: ndmp (10000), Dst Port: ftp-data (20), Seq: 1, Ack: 1, Len: 0

0000 02 00 87 46 05 01 02 00 87 d2 0f 01 08 00 45 00 ...F... ..E.
0010 00 28 00 00 40 00 3f 06 49 46 0a 14 6f 02 0a 0a .(..@.?.. IF..O..
0020 6f 6a 27 10 00 14 00 00 00 00 00 00 01 50 14 oj'.....P..
0030 00 00 96 21 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 ..!.....

eth0: <live capture in progress> Filter: Packets: 4 Displayed: 4 Marked: 0 Profile: Default

2) [15 pts] The internal machine (10.20.111.2) should accept all incoming SSH and http requests from 10.10.111.0/24.

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-> iptables -A INPUT -p tcp -dport ssh -d 10.20.111.2 -s 10.10.111.0/24 -m conntrack --ctstate NEW,ESTABLISHED -j ACCEPT
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-> iptables -A INPUT -p tcp --dport 80 -d 10.20.111.2 -s 10.10.111.0/24 -m conntrack --ctstate NEW,ESTABLISHED -j ACCEPT
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-> iptables -A INPUT -j DROP {to drop any other request other than SSH and WWW}
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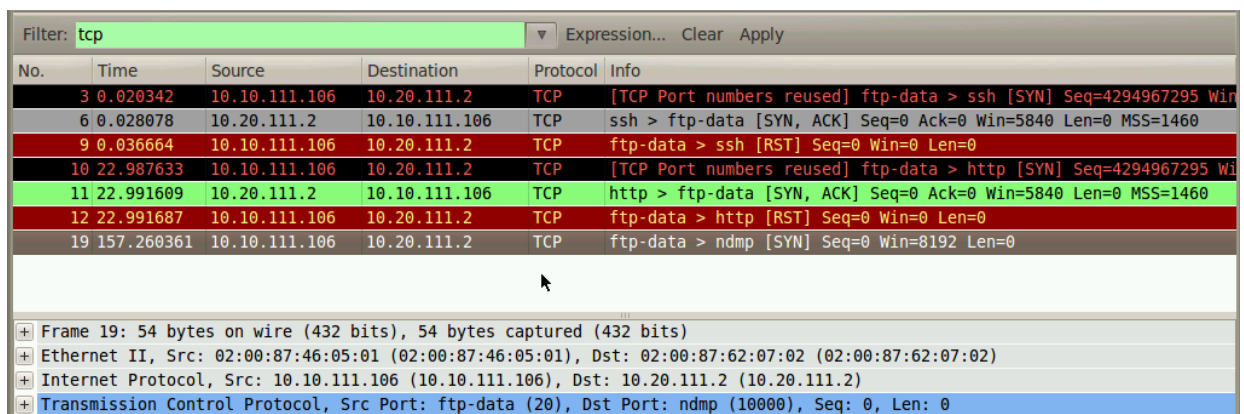
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Connected (unencrypted) to: Xen-int-lin_new_base135
vlab-debian:~# iptables -L -v
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT 7 packets, 635 bytes)
  pkts bytes target     prot opt in     out     source            destination
    0     0 ACCEPT     tcp  --  any    any    10.10.111.0/24    10.20.111.2
      tcp dpt:ssh ctstate NEW,ESTABLISHED
    0     0 ACCEPT     tcp  --  any    any    10.10.111.0/24    10.20.111.2
      tcp dpt:www ctstate NEW,ESTABLISHED
    0     0 DROP       all  --  any    any    anywhere          anywhere

Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT 0 packets, 0 bytes)
  pkts bytes target     prot opt in     out     source            destination

Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT 28 packets, 2048 bytes)
  pkts bytes target     prot opt in     out     source            destination
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After sending 3 packets to the internal linux router i.e., at port 22(SSH), port 80(WWW) and port 10000, we received response for the first 2 packets but no response for the last one as the iptable has DROP entry for anything other than port 22 and port 80.

Wireshark shows the same in below screenshot



3) [20 pts] The internal machine should accept telnet connections from the BT Machine only.

-> iptables -A INPUT -p tcp -dport telnet -d 10.20.111.2 -s 10.10.111.106 -m conntrack -ctstate NEW,ESTABLISHED -j ACCEPT

-> iptables -A INPUT -j DROP {to drop any other request other than TELNET}

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Connected (unencrypted) to: Xen-int-lin_new_base135
vlab-debian:~# iptables -L
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target     prot opt source                destination
ACCEPT     tcp  --  10.10.111.106          10.20.111.2          tcp dpt:telnet ctst
ate NEW,ESTABLISHED
DROP       all  --  anywhere              anywhere

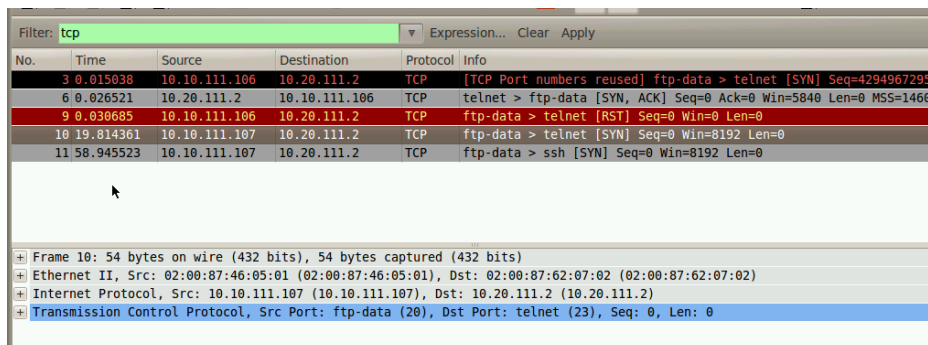
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT)
target     prot opt source                destination

Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target     prot opt source                destination
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First packet sent with BT5 IP address i.e., 10.10.111.106 to port 23 and in Wireshark it is observed that a response is obtained from Internal Linux machine.

Other than this 2 more packets were sent one with IP address 10.10.111.107 and one with IP address as 10.10.111.107, port=22, for both of the packet no response obtained from the Linux machine as we have used Drop which drops all the packets that are not from BT5 and to port 23.

Wireshark shows the same in the below screenshot.



PART B

-> iptables -t nat -A POSTROUTING -o eth0 -j MASQUERADE

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Connected (unencrypted) to: Xen-int-lin_new_base135
vlab-debian:~# iptables -t nat -L
Chain PREROUTING (policy ACCEPT)
target     prot opt source               destination

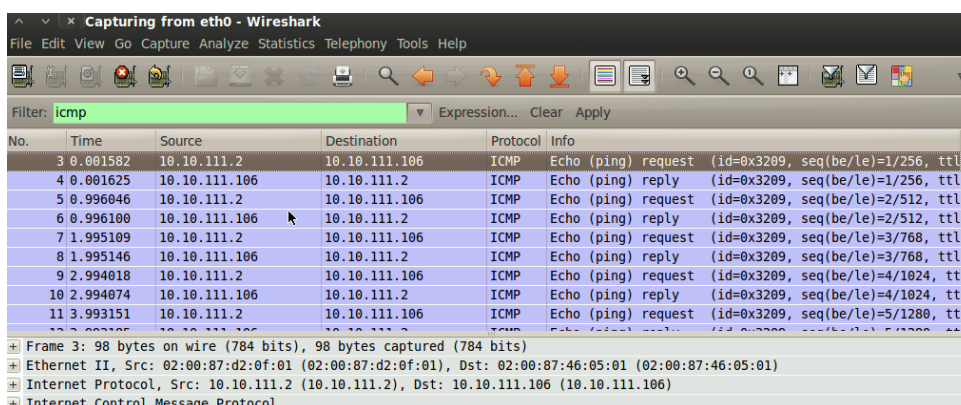
Chain POSTROUTING (policy ACCEPT)
target     prot opt source               destination
MASQUERADE all  --  anywhere             anywhere

Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target     prot opt source               destination
vlab-debian:~# _
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ICMP packets were sent using PING from Linux machine (10.20.111.2) to my BT5 machine (10.10.111.106) using command 'ping 10.10.111.106'.

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Connected (unencrypted) to: Xen-int-lin_new_base135
vlab-debian:~# ping 10.10.111.106
PING 10.10.111.106 (10.10.111.106) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from 10.10.111.106: icmp_seq=1 ttl=63 time=8.68 ms
64 bytes from 10.10.111.106: icmp_seq=2 ttl=63 time=3.39 ms
64 bytes from 10.10.111.106: icmp_seq=3 ttl=63 time=3.58 ms
64 bytes from 10.10.111.106: icmp_seq=4 ttl=63 time=3.27 ms
64 bytes from 10.10.111.106: icmp_seq=5 ttl=63 time=3.28 ms
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For the internal router interface eth0 has IP (10.10.111.2)



The image shows a Wireshark packet capture window titled "Capturing from eth0 - Wireshark". The filter is set to "icmp". The packet list shows several ICMP Echo (ping) requests and replies. The source IP for all requests is 10.10.111.2 and the destination is 10.10.111.106. The packet details pane shows the structure of an ICMP Echo request, including the type, code, identifier, and sequence number.

| No. | Time | Source | Destination | Protocol | Info |
|-----|----------|---------------|---------------|----------|--|
| 3 | 0.001582 | 10.10.111.2 | 10.10.111.106 | ICMP | Echo (ping) request (id=0x3209, seq(be/le)=1/256, ttl=63) |
| 4 | 0.001625 | 10.10.111.106 | 10.10.111.2 | ICMP | Echo (ping) reply (id=0x3209, seq(be/le)=1/256, ttl=63) |
| 5 | 0.996046 | 10.10.111.2 | 10.10.111.106 | ICMP | Echo (ping) request (id=0x3209, seq(be/le)=2/512, ttl=63) |
| 6 | 0.996100 | 10.10.111.106 | 10.10.111.2 | ICMP | Echo (ping) reply (id=0x3209, seq(be/le)=2/512, ttl=63) |
| 7 | 1.995109 | 10.10.111.2 | 10.10.111.106 | ICMP | Echo (ping) request (id=0x3209, seq(be/le)=3/768, ttl=63) |
| 8 | 1.995146 | 10.10.111.106 | 10.10.111.2 | ICMP | Echo (ping) reply (id=0x3209, seq(be/le)=3/768, ttl=63) |
| 9 | 2.994018 | 10.10.111.2 | 10.10.111.106 | ICMP | Echo (ping) request (id=0x3209, seq(be/le)=4/1024, ttl=63) |
| 10 | 2.994074 | 10.10.111.106 | 10.10.111.2 | ICMP | Echo (ping) reply (id=0x3209, seq(be/le)=4/1024, ttl=63) |
| 11 | 3.993151 | 10.10.111.2 | 10.10.111.106 | ICMP | Echo (ping) request (id=0x3209, seq(be/le)=5/1280, ttl=63) |

The packets reached at BT5 seen using Wireshark shows the source IP for ICMP as 10.10.111.2 which is the IP of the eth0 interface of the internal router.

PART C

1) [5 pts] In your own words describe how iptables works?

Ans: IPTables consists of set of rules which governs the network traffic at the firewall. Every packet that reaches the firewall must match the rules mentioned in the iptables to pass through. If the packet does not match any rule, the packet is rejected or dropped based on the iptables settings.

When the packet matches any rule, the action takes place that is mentioned in the rule as target.

2) [5 pts] What is the difference between input, output and forward chains?

Ans: INPUT: This chain handles all the packets that are addressed to your server.

OUTPUT: This chain handles the response/traffic generated by your server

FORWARD: This chain is used to deal with traffic destined for other servers that are not created on your server.

3) [5 pts] What is the difference between deny, reject and accept?

Ans: DENY(DROP): This is the target mentioned in the IPTables, the packet matching the rules containing this as target will drop the packet without any reply to the sender.

REJECT: This is the target mentioned in the IPTables, the packet matching the rules containing this as target will drop the packet but will also send a reply to the sender mentioning the packet is rejected.

ACCEPT: This the target mentioned in the IPTables, the packet matching the rule containing this as target will accept the packet and will perform the action based on the type of chain.