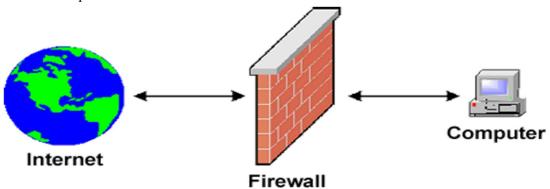
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Aim: Understand the concept of firewall and configure the State full Packet Inspection (SPI) firewall IPTABLES.

Firewall:

A firewall is a network security system, either hardware or software based, that controls incoming and outgoing network traffic based on a set of rules. Acting as a barrier between a trusted network and other un-trusted networks such as the Internet or less-trusted networks such as a retail merchant's network outside of a cardholder data environment a firewall controls access to the resources of a network through a positive control model. This means that the only traffic allowed onto the network defined in the firewall policies all other traffic is denied.



- ➤ The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) 800-10 divides firewalls into three basic types:
 - 1. Packet filters
 - 2. Stateful inspection
 - 3. Proxys

1. Packet filters

The earliest firewalls functioned as packet filters, inspecting the packets that are transferred between computers on the Internet. When a packet passes through a packet-filter firewall, its source and destination address, protocol, and destination port number are checked against the firewall's rule set. Any packets that aren't specifically allowed onto the network are dropped (i.e., not forwarded to their destination). For example, if a firewall is configured with a rule to block Telnet access, then the firewall will drop packets destined for TCP port number 23, the port where a Telnet server application would be listening.

Packet-filter firewalls work mainly on the first three layers of the OSI reference model (physical, data-link and network), although the transport layer is used to obtain the source and destination port numbers. While generally fast and efficient, they have no ability to tell whether a packet is part of an existing stream of traffic. Because they treat each packet in isolation, this makes them vulnerable to spoofing attacks and also limits their ability to make more complex decisions based on what stage communications between hosts are at.

2. Stateful firewalls

In order to recognize a packet's connection state, a firewall needs to record all connections passing through it to ensure it has enough information to assess whether a packet is the start of a new connection, a part of an existing connection, or not part of any connection. This is what's called "stateful packet inspection." Stateful inspection was first introduced in 1994 by Check Point Software in its FireWall-1 software firewall, and by the late 1990s, it was a common firewall product feature. This additional information can be used to grant or reject access based on the packet's history in the state table, and to speed up packet processing; that way, packets that are part of an existing connection based on the firewall's state table can be allowed through without further analysis. If a packet does not match an existing connection, it's evaluated according to the rule set for new connections.

3. Proxy firewalls

Firewall proxy servers also operate at the firewall's application layer, acting as an intermediary for requests from one network to another for a specific network application. A proxy firewall prevents direct connections between either sides of the firewall; both sides are forced to conduct the session through the proxy, which can block or allow traffic based on its rule set. A proxy service must be run for each type of Internet application the firewall will support, such as an HTTP proxy for Web services.

> IP Tables

IPtables is an extremely flexible firewall utility built for Linux operating systems. IPtables is a command-line firewall utility that uses policy chains to allow or block traffic. When a connection tries to establish itself on our system, iptables looks for a rule in its list to match it to. If it doesn't find one, it resorts to the default action.

> Types of Chains

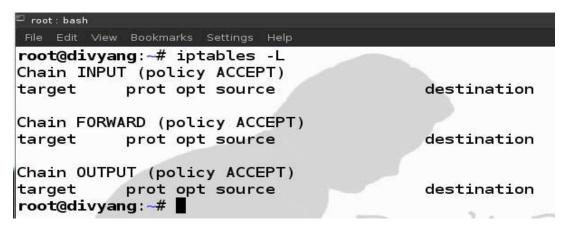
IPtables uses three different chains: input, forward, and output.

- Input: This chain is used to control the behavior for incoming connections. For example, if a user attempts to SSH into your PC/server, iptables will attempt to match the IP address and port to a rule in the input chain.
- Forward: This chain is used for incoming connections that aren't actually being delivered locally. Think of a router data is always being sent to it but rarely actually destined for the router itself; the data is just forwarded to its target. Unless you're doing some kind of routing, NATing, or something else on your system that requires forwarding, you won't even use this chain.
- Output: This chain is used for outgoing connections. For example, if you try to ping howtogeek.com, iptables will check its output chain to see what the rules are regarding ping and howtogeek.com before making a decision to allow or deny the connection attempt.

• To see if iptables is running

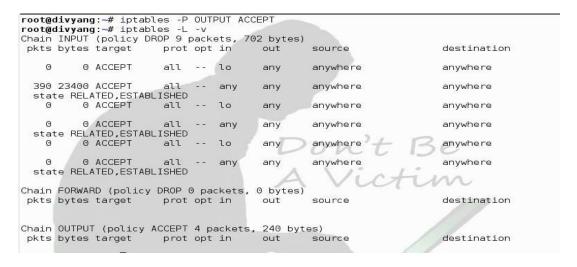
iptables -L

It is list the rules in chain or all chains.



> Setup a SPI firewall that:

- 1. Allow all outgoing connection
- 2. Block all unwanted incoming connection



iptables –**F**: switch to flush all existing rules so we start with a clean state from which to add new rules

iptables -P INPUT DROP: -P switch sets the default policy on the specified chain which sets the default policy on the INPUT table to drop. If an incoming packet does not match one of the following rules it will be dropped. iptables -P FORWARD DROP: set the default policy on the FORWARED chain to DROP since we're not using our computer as a router, there should not be any packets passing through our computer

iptables -P OUTPUT ACCEPT: set the default policy on the OUTPUT chain to accept. This allow outgoing traffic

iptables –**A INPUT** –**i lo** –**j ACCEPT**: -A switch to append (or add) a rule to specific chain, the INPUT chain in this instance. –i switch (for interface) to specify Packed matching or destined for the lo(or localhost, 127.0.0.1) interface –**j** (jump) to the target action for packet maching the rule – in case ACCEPT.

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➤ Allow incoming only from one IP

```
root@divyang:~# iptables -A INPUT -s 10.10.10.130 -j ACCEPT
root@divyang:~# iptables -L -v
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT 217 packets, 13828 bytes)
                     prot opt in
pkts bytes target
                                     out
                                                                 destination
                                             source
                                             10.10.10.130
   6 360 ACCEPT
                     all -- any
                                     anv
                                                                 anywhere
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT 0 packets, 0 bytes)
pkts bytes target
                    prot opt in out
                                                                 destination
                                            source
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT 389 packets, 23340 bytes)
pkts bytes target
                     prot opt in
                                     out
root@divvang:~#
```

iptables –A INPUT –s 10.10.10.130 –j ACCEPT

```
root@divyang:~# iptables -A INPUT -s 10.10.10.130 -j ACCEPT
root@divyang:~# iptables -L -v
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT 217 packets, 13828 bytes)
 pkts bytes target
                         prot opt in
                                             out
                                                                                destination
        360 ACCEPT
                                                       10.10.10.130
                         all -- anv
                                                                                anvwhe re
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT 0 packets, 0 bytes)
                                                                                destination
 pkts bytes target prot opt in out
                                                    source
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT 389 packets, 23340 bytes)
 pkts bytes target
                        prot opt in
                                             out
                                                    source
                                                                                destination
root@divyang:-#
root@divyang:~# iptables -A INPUT -s 10.10.10.127 -j ACCEPT root@divyang:~# iptables -A INPUT -s 10.10.10.131 -j ACCEPT root@divyang:~# iptables -P INPUT DROP
root@divyang:~# iptables -L -v
Chain INPUT (policy DROP 1 packets, 28 bytes)
pkts bytes target prot opt in out
                                                             source
                                                                                         destinatio
     0
             O ACCEPT
                                                             10.10.10.127
                              all -- anv
                                                                                         anvwhere
                                                   anv
     0
             O ACCEPT
                              all --
                                          anv
                                                   any
                                                             10.10.10.131
                                                                                         anywhere
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT 0 packets, 0 bytes)
                                                                                         destinatio
pkts bytes target prot opt in out
                                                           source
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT 44 packets, 3132 bytes) pkts bytes target prot opt in out source
                                                             source
                                                                                         destinatio
root@divyang:~#
```

After applying rules result from Different Machines are as bellow:

From Another system which are not listed in Rules

```
C:\Users\dp>ping 10.10.10.135

Pinging 10.10.10.135 with 32 bytes of data:
Request timed out.
Ping statistics for 10.10.10.135:
Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 0, Lost = 4 (100% loss),
```

iptables –A INPUT –s 10.10.10.100/24 –j ACCEPT(For whole Subnet)

```
root@divyang:~# iptables -A INPUT -s 10.10.10.100/24 -j ACCEPT
root@divyang:~# iptables -L -v
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT 0 packets, 0 bytes)
pkts bytes target
                     prot opt in
                                    out
                                            source
                                                                destinatio
   0
         0 ACCEPT
                                            10.10.10.0/24
                     all -- any
                                    anv
                                                                anywhere
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT 0 packets, 0 bytes)
pkts bytes target prot opt in
                                    out
                                                                destinatio
                                            source
n
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT 71 packets, 5244 bytes)
                     prot opt in out source
pkts bytes target
                                  A Victim
root@divyang:~#
```

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Accept packet from trusted IP address with MAC

Rules for Accept packet from trusted IP address with MAC are described in image.

```
root@divyang: → iptables -A INPUT -s 10.10.10.127 -i ethl -m mac --mac 18:AB:CO:03:18:11 -j ACCEPT
root@divyang: # iptables -A INPUT -s 10.10.10.131 -i eth1 -m mac --mac 18:AB:C0:03:18:13 -j ACCEPT
root@divyang: ~# iptables -P INPUT DROP
root@divyang: -# iptables -L -v
Chain INPUT (policy DROP 0 packets, 0 bytes)
pkts bytes target
                      prot opt in
                                    out
                                              source
                                                                   destination
   0
         0 ACCEPT
                      all -- ethl anv
                                              10.10.10.127
                                                                   anywhere
                                                                                      MAC 18: AB: C0: 03:18:11
         0 ACCEPT
                      all -- ethl any
                                             10.10.10.131
                                                                   anywhere
                                                                                      MAC 18: AB: C0: 03:18:13
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT 0 packets, 0 bytes)
 pkts bytes target
                     prot opt in
                                                                   destination
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT 92 packets, 6645 bytes)
pkts bytes target
                      prot opt in
                                                                   destination
root@divyang: #
```

After applying rules we got the following output.

1. With Same ip and mac address

2. Same IP but Different mac Address.

▶ Port Address Filtering

Single port

iptables –A INPUT –p tcp --dport 21 –j ACCEPT we can also set rules for Prot Range by applying iptables –A INPUT –p tcp - -dport 6881:6890 –j ACCEPT

LAB Assignments:

1. Block ICMP ping using OUTPUT and echo-reply Solution:

```
root@divyang: # iptables -A OUTPUT -p icmp --icmp-type echo-reply -s 10.10.10.135 -d 10.10.10.131 -j DROP
root@divyang:~# iptables -L -v
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT 77 packets, 5834 bytes)
pkts bytes target prot opt in
                                                               destination
                                  out
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT 0 packets, 0 bytes)
pkts bytes target prot opt in out source
                                                               destination
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT 276 packets, 20331 bytes)
                                                               destination
pkts bytes target prot opt in out source
       180 DROP
                                                                                  icmp echo-reply
                     icmp -- any any
                                            10.10.10.135
                                                               10.10.10.131
root@divyang: #
```

After applying the rules result are as bellow.

1. From given Destination IP

2. From another IP

2. Block ICMP ping using INPUT and echo-request Solution 1

```
root@divyang: # iptables -A INPUT -p icmp --icmp-type echo-reply -s 10.10.10.127 -d 10.10.10.135 -j DROP
root@divyang: -# iptables -L
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target
           prot opt source
                                           destination
           icmp -- 10.10.10.127
DROP
                                          10.10.10.135
                                                               icmp echo-reply
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT)
target
           prot opt source
                                           destination
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target prot opt source root@divyang:~#
                                          destination
```

Solution 2

```
root@divyang: -# iptables -A INPUT -p icmp --icmp-type echo-reply -j DROP
root@divyang: ~# iptables -L -v
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT 620 packets, 45190 bytes)
pkts bytes target
                      prot opt in
                                      out
                                                                    destination
                                               source
         O DROP
                                               anywhere
                                                                    anywhere
                                                                                        icmp echo-reply
   0
                      icmp -- any
                                       any
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT 0 packets, 0 bytes)
                                                                    destination
 pkts bytes target
                      prot opt in
                                       out
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT 776 packets, 53243 bytes)
pkts bytes target
                                                                    destination
                       prot opt in
                                      out
root@divyang: -#
```

After applying the rules result are as bellow.

For Solution 1

1. from another Machine.

```
C:\Users\dp>ping 10.10.10.135

Pinging 10.10.10.135 with 32 bytes of data:
Reply from 10.10.10.135: bytes=32 time<1ms TTL=64
Reply from 10.10.10.135: bytes=32 time=1ms TTL=64
Reply from 10.10.10.135: bytes=32 time=1ms TTL=64
Reply from 10.10.10.135: bytes=32 time=1ms TTL=64
Ping statistics for 10.10.10.135:

Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),
Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:

Minimum = 0ms, Maximum = 1ms, Average = 0ms

C:\Users\dp>
```

2. From Linux Machine on which firewall rules applie

```
root@divyang:~# ping 10.10.10.127
PING 10.10.10.127 (10.10.10.127) 56(84) bytes of data.
^Z
[1] +
      Stopped
                                ping 10.10.10.127
root@divyang:~#
root@divyang:~# ping 10.10.10.131
PING 10.10.10.131 (10.10.10.131) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from 10.10.10.131: icmp_seq=1 ttl=128 time=1.55 ms
64 bytes from 10.10.10.131: icmp_seq=2 ttl=128 time=1.80 ms
64 bytes from 10.10.10.131: icmp_seq=3 ttl=128 time=1.65 ms
64 bytes from 10.10.10.131: icmp seq=4 ttl=128 time=1.66 ms
[1]+ Stopped
                             ping 10.10.10.131
root@divyang:~#
```

For Solution 2

```
root@divyang:~# ping 10.10.10.131
PING 10.10.10.131 (10.10.10.131) 56(84) bytes of data.
^Z
[1]+ Stopped ping 10.10.10.131
root@divyang:~# ping 10.10.10.127
PING 10.10.10.127 (10.10.10.127) 56(84) bytes of data.
^Z
[2]+ Stopped ping 10.10.10.127
root@divyang:~# ■
```

3. Block FTP using OUTPUT or INPUT (allow ftp server for your subnet only) Solution 1(For INPUT)

```
root@divyang:-# iptables -A INPUT -m state --state ESTABLISHED,RELATED -j ACCEPT
root@divyang:-# iptables -A INPUT -m state --state ESTABLISHED,RELATED -j ACCEPT
root@divyang:-# iptables -A INPUT -p tcp --dport 21 -s 10.10.10.10/24 -m state --state NEW -j ACCEPT
root@divyang:-# iptables -L -V

Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT 796 packets, 56561 bytes)
pkts bytes target prot opt in out source destination
123 7380 ACCEPT all -- any any anywhere anywhere state RELATED,ESTABLISH
ED

0 0 ACCEPT tcp -- any any 10.10.10.0/24 anywhere tcp dpt:ftp state NEW

Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT 0 packets, 0 bytes)
pkts bytes target prot opt in out source destination
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT 938 packets, 63083 bytes)
pkts bytes target prot opt in out source destination
111 6660 ACCEPT all -- any any anywhere anywhere state RELATED,ESTABLISH
ED

root@divyang:-# ■
```

After applying the rules result are as bellow.

```
root@divyang:~# ftp 10.10.10.127
Connected to 10.10.10.127.
220-Microsoft FTP Service
220 Hi..FTP BY DIVYANG ON XP Server.
Name (10.10.10.127:root): dp
331 Password required for dp.
Password:
230-WELCOME..
230 User dp logged in.
Remote system type is Windows_NT.
ftp>
```

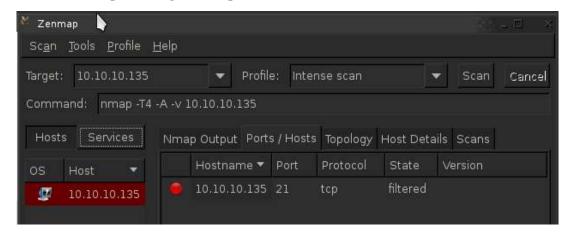
Solution 2 (For OUTPUT)

```
root@divyang: ~# iptables -F
root@divyang: # iptables -A OUTPUT -p tcp --dport 21 -s 10.10.10.10/24 -m state --state NEW -j DROP
root@divyang:~# iptables -L
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT)
          prot opt source
                                          destination
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT)
          prot opt source
                                          destination
target
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT)
                                          destination
target
           prot opt source
DROP tcp -- 10.10.10.0/24 root@divyang: #
                                          anywhere
                                                              tcp dpt:ftp state NEW
```

Result after applying the Rules.

```
root@divyang:~# ftp 10.10.10.127
ftp: connect: Connection timed out
ftp> ■
```

Checked the port using Zen map tools



4. ALLOW ssh using INPUT

Solution

```
root@divyang:~# iptables -A INPUT -p tcp --dport 22 -j ACCEPT
root@divyang: # iptables -P INPUT DROP
root@divyang: -# iptables -L -v
Chain INPUT (policy DROP 2 packets, 120 bytes)
pkts bytes target
                      prot opt in
                                              source
                                                                   destination
                                      out
         0 ACCEPT
                                                                   anywhere
                                                                                       tcp dpt:ssh
   0
                      tcp -- any
                                      any
                                              anywhere
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT 0 packets, 0 bytes)
                                                                   destination
pkts bytes target
                      prot opt in
                                      out
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT 1671 packets, 107K bytes)
pkts bytes target
                      prot opt in
                                      out
                                                                   destination
root@divyang: #
```

5. Block TELNET using OUTPUT and INPUT. Solution 1 (For INPUT)

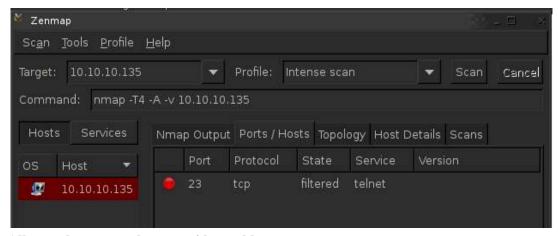
```
root@divyang:~# iptables -F
root@divyang: # iptables - A INPUT -p tcp --dport 23 -j DROP
root@divyang:~# iptables -L -v
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT 43 packets, 2548 bytes)
pkts bytes target
                      prot opt in
                                      out
                                              source
                                                                    destination
   0
         0 DROP
                      tcp -- any
                                      any
                                              anywhere
                                                                    anywhere
                                                                                        tcp dpt:t
elnet
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT 0 packets, 0 bytes)
pkts bytes target
                      prot opt in
                                                                   destination
                                      out
                                              source
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT 42 packets, 2520 bytes)
pkts bytes target
                      prot opt in
                                       out
                                                                   destination
root@divyang: #
```

Solution 1 (For OUTPUT)

```
root@divyang: ~# iptables -F
root@divyang: # iptables - A OUTPUT -p tcp --sport 23 -j DROP
root@divyang:~# iptables -L -v
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT 138 packets, 8270 bytes)
pkts bytes target
                      prot opt in
                                                                    destination
                                       out
                                               source
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT 0 packets, 0 bytes)
                                                                    destination
pkts bytes target
                      prot opt in
                                       out
                                               source
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT 133 packets, 7980 bytes)
pkts bytes target
                      prot opt in
                                                                    destination
                                      out
                                               source
          O DROP
   0
                       tcp -- any
                                       any
                                               anywhere
                                                                    anywhere
                                                                                        tcp spt:t
elnet
root@divyang: #
```

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After applying the rules result are as bellow.



6. Allow web server only to outside world. Solution using bash file

```
#!/bin/bash

iptables -F
iptables -A INPUT -p tcp --dport 80 -j ACCEPT
iptables -A INPUT -p tcp --dport 443 -j ACCEPT
iptables -A INPUT -p tcp --dport 443 -j ACCEPT
iptables -A INPUT -s 10.10.0/24 -j DROP
iptables -P INPUT DROP
iptables -L -v
```

After applying the rules result are as bellow.

```
root@divyang: ~# chmod 755 iptables.bash
root@divyang: # ./iptables.bash
Chain INPUT (policy DROP 0 packets, 0 bytes)
 pkts bytes target
                         prot opt in
                                           out
                                                    source
                                                                           destination
                         tcp -- any
tcp -- any
all -- any
    0
          0 ACCEPT
                                           any
                                                    anywhere
                                                                           anywhere
                                                                                                  tcp dpt:www
          0 ACCEPT
                                                                           anywhere
    0
                                           any
                                                    anywhere
                                                                                                  tcp dpt:https
                                                    10.10.10.0/24
    0
          0 DROP
                                           any
                                                                           anywhere
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT 0 packets, 0 bytes)
pkts bytes target
                                                                           destination
                         prot opt in
                                           out
                                                    source
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT 28 packets, 1932 bytes)
                                                                           destination
pkts bytes target
                         prot opt in
                                           out
                                                    source
root@divyang: -#
```