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## **Experiment 09**

**Aim:** Design personal firewall using iptables

### **Theory:**

A firewall can be defined as a special type of network security device or a software program that monitors and filters incoming and outgoing network traffic based on a defined set of security rules. It acts as a barrier between internal private networks and external sources (such as the public Internet).

The primary purpose of a firewall is to allow non-threatening traffic and prevent malicious or unwanted data traffic for protecting the computer from viruses and attacks. A firewall is a cybersecurity tool that filters network traffic and helps users block malicious software from accessing the Internet in infected computers.

Functions of firewalls:

- Network Threat Prevention
- Application and Identity-Based Control
- Hybrid Cloud Support
- Scalable Performance
- Network Traffic Management and Control
- Access Validation

IPTABLES Firewall:

The iptables firewall operates by comparing network traffic against a set of rules. The rules define the characteristics that a packet must have to match the rule, and the action that should be taken for matching packets.

These rules are organized into groups called chains. A chain is a set of rules that a packet is checked against sequentially. When the packet matches one of the rules, it executes the associated action and is not checked against the remaining rules in the chain.

A user can create chains as needed. There are three chains defined by default. They are:

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

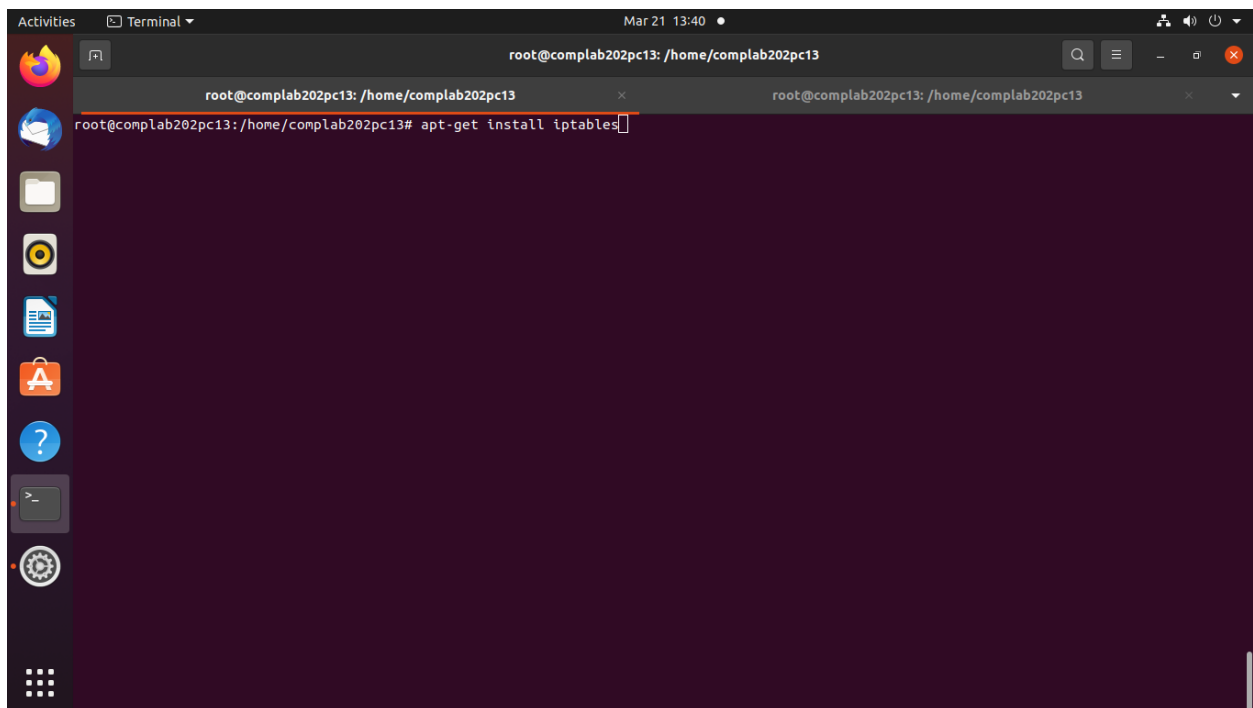
OUTPUT: This chain contains rules for traffic created by your server.

FORWARD: This chain is used to deal with traffic destined for other servers

that are not created on your server. This chain is basically a way to configure your server to route requests to other machines.

## Output:

Install the package iptables

A screenshot of a Linux terminal window. The window has a dark theme with a purple background. The title bar at the top shows 'Activities', 'Terminal', and the date 'Mar 21 13:40'. The terminal prompt is 'root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13'. The command 'apt-get install iptables' has been entered, and the cursor is at the end of the line. The left sidebar of the terminal window shows various application icons, including a file manager, a web browser, and a terminal icon. The bottom of the window shows a grid of application icons.

Next get your IP by typing down ifconfig and in another window ping your IP

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Activities Terminal Mar 21 13:43
root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13

root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13# ifconfig
enp1s0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 192.168.34.21 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.168.34.255
    inet6 fe80::3074:8c5c:f6d:d6de prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
    ether a4:ae:12:84:7f:e7 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
    RX packets 59596 bytes 75324908 (75.3 MB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 20 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 26005 bytes 2892572 (2.8 MB)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
    inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
    inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
    loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
    RX packets 1331 bytes 138439 (138.4 KB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 1331 bytes 138439 (138.4 KB)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13# iptables -L
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target prot opt source destination

Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT)
target prot opt source destination

Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target prot opt source destination
root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13#
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## Performing a DROP, REJECT request

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Activities Terminal Mar 21 13:47
root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13

root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13# iptables -I OUTPUT -s 192.168.34.21 -p icmp -j DROP
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Activities Terminal Mar 21 13:47
root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13

root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=61 ttl=64 time=2.16 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=62 ttl=64 time=2.16 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=63 ttl=64 time=2.14 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=64 ttl=64 time=2.15 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=65 ttl=64 time=2.14 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=66 ttl=64 time=2.14 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=67 ttl=64 time=2.17 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=68 ttl=64 time=2.17 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=69 ttl=64 time=2.16 ms
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64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=77 ttl=64 time=1.48 ms
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64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=85 ttl=64 time=2.16 ms
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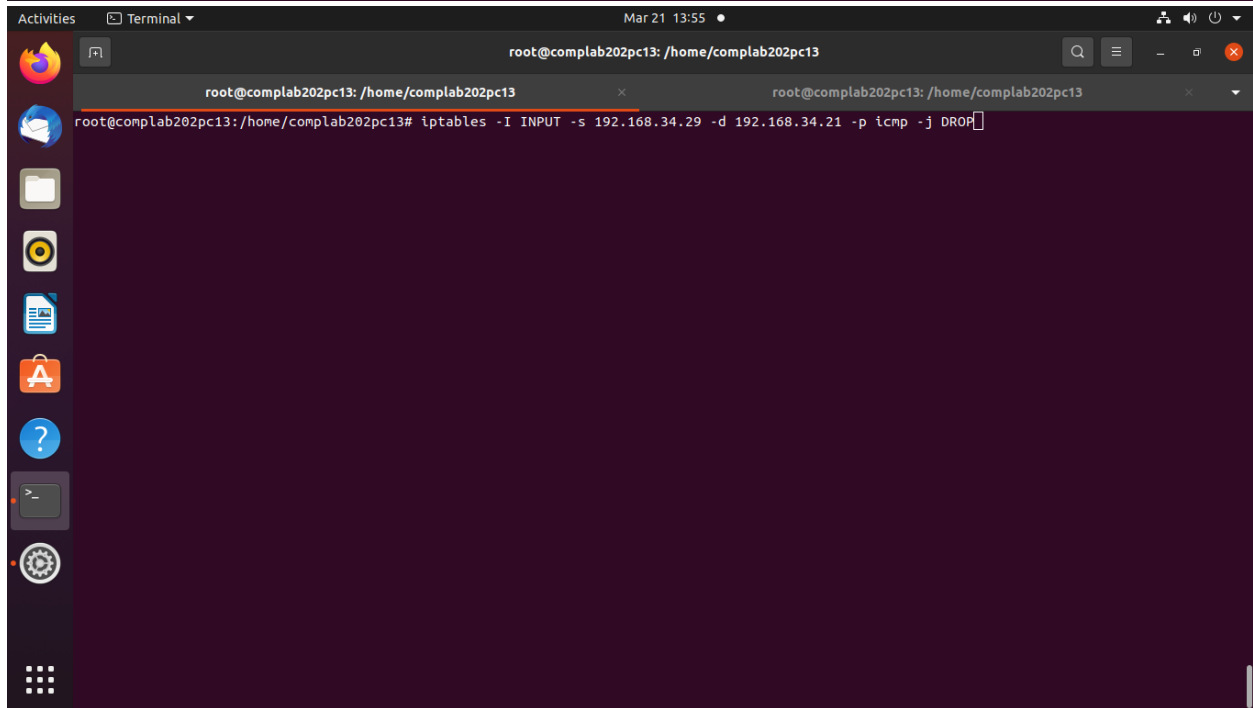
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Activities Terminal Mar 21 13:47
root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13

root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13
root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13# iptables -I OUTPUT -s 192.168.34.21 -p icmp -j DROP
root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13# iptables -L
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target prot opt source destination
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT)
target prot opt source destination
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target prot opt source destination
DROP icmp -- complab202pc13 anywhere
root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13#
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Activities Terminal Mar 21 13:50 root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13
root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13
root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13# iptables -I OUTPUT -s 192.168.34.21 -p icmp -j DROP
root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13# iptables -L
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target prot opt source destination
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT)
target prot opt source destination
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target prot opt source destination
DROP icmp -- complab202pc13 anywhere
root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13# iptables -I OUTPUT -s 192.168.34.21 -p icmp -j ACCEPT
root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13# iptables -L
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target prot opt source destination
Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT)
target prot opt source destination
Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target prot opt source destination
ACCEPT icmp -- complab202pc13 anywhere
DROP icmp -- complab202pc13 anywhere
root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13# iptables -I OUTPUT -s 192.168.34.21 -p icmp -j REJECT
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Activities Terminal Mar 21 13:50 root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13
root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=250 ttl=64 time=2.15 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=251 ttl=64 time=2.16 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=252 ttl=64 time=2.16 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=253 ttl=64 time=2.19 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=254 ttl=64 time=2.16 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=255 ttl=64 time=2.15 ms
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64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=275 ttl=64 time=2.15 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=276 ttl=64 time=2.18 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=277 ttl=64 time=1.46 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=278 ttl=64 time=1.45 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp_seq=279 ttl=64 time=2.16 ms
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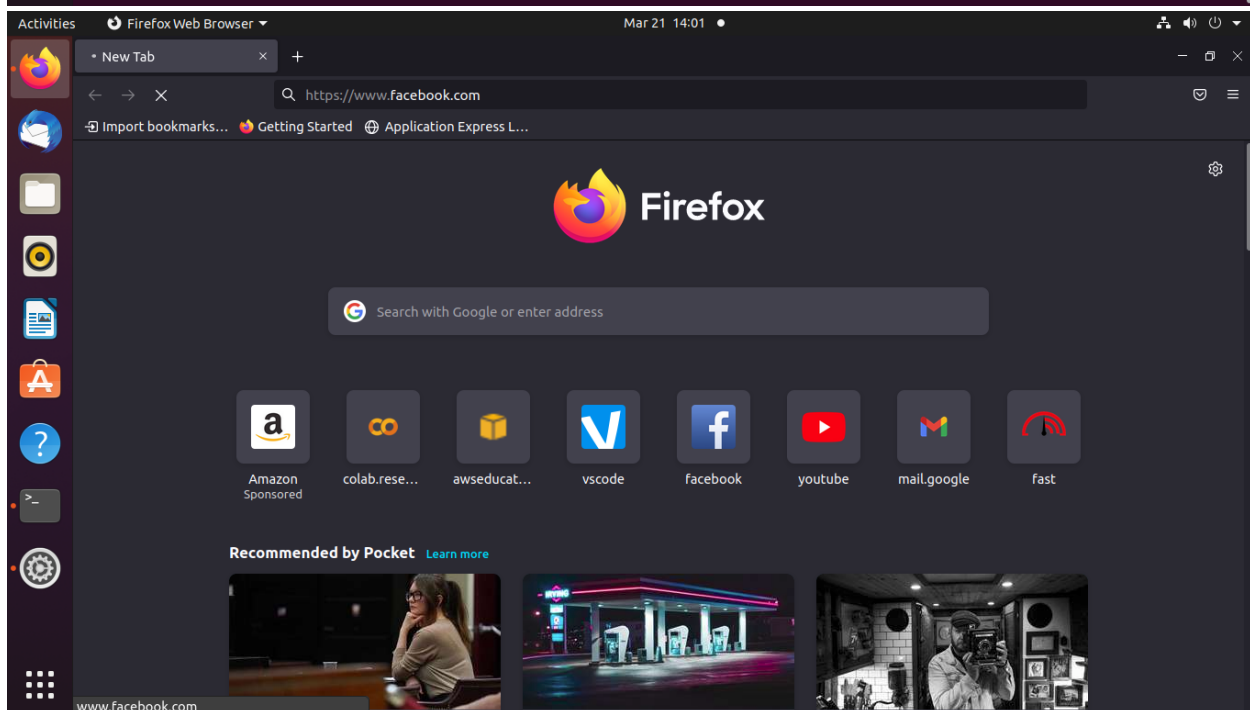
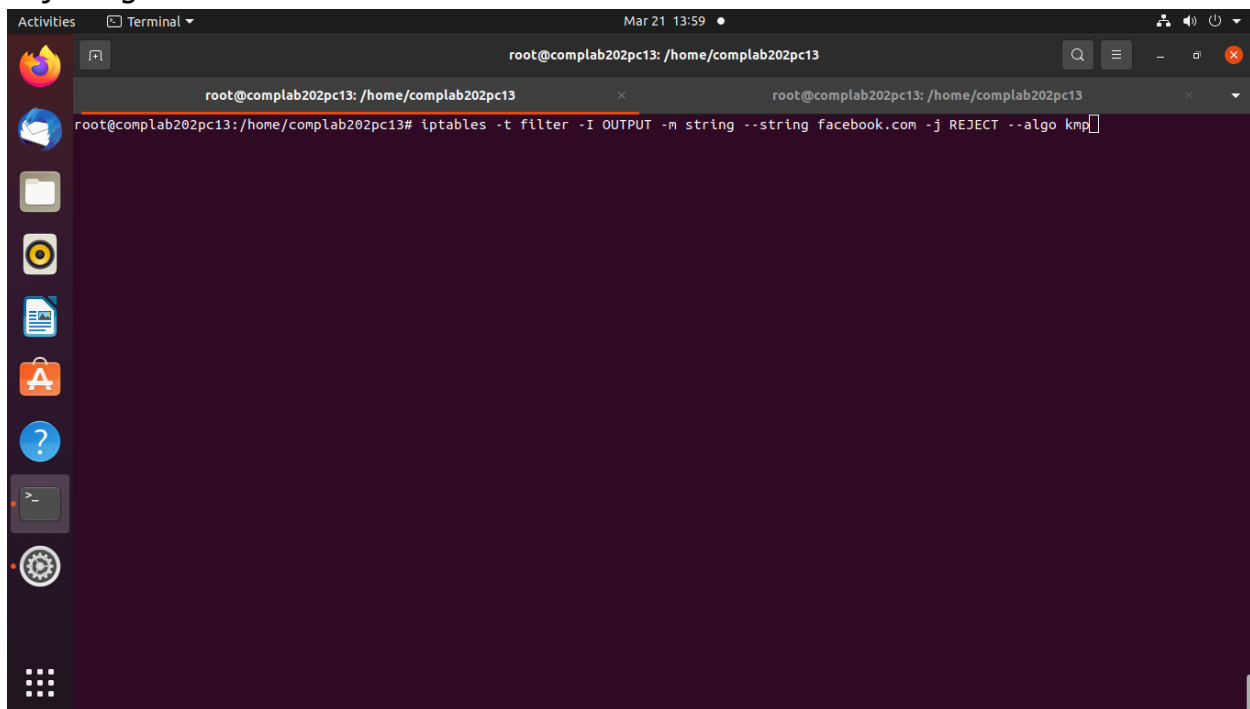
The image shows a Kali Linux desktop environment. At the top, there is a taskbar with icons for the Dash, Terminal, and a clock showing 13:56 on Mar 21. The main window is a terminal titled "root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13". The terminal output shows a series of "ping: sendmsg: Operation not permitted" messages, followed by a series of "64 bytes from 192.168.34.29: icmp\_seq=641 ttl=64 time=2.16 ms" messages. The terminal window has a dark background and a light-colored text. The desktop background is dark with various icons on the left side, including a file manager, a web browser, and a terminal icon. The overall appearance is that of a standard Linux desktop environment.

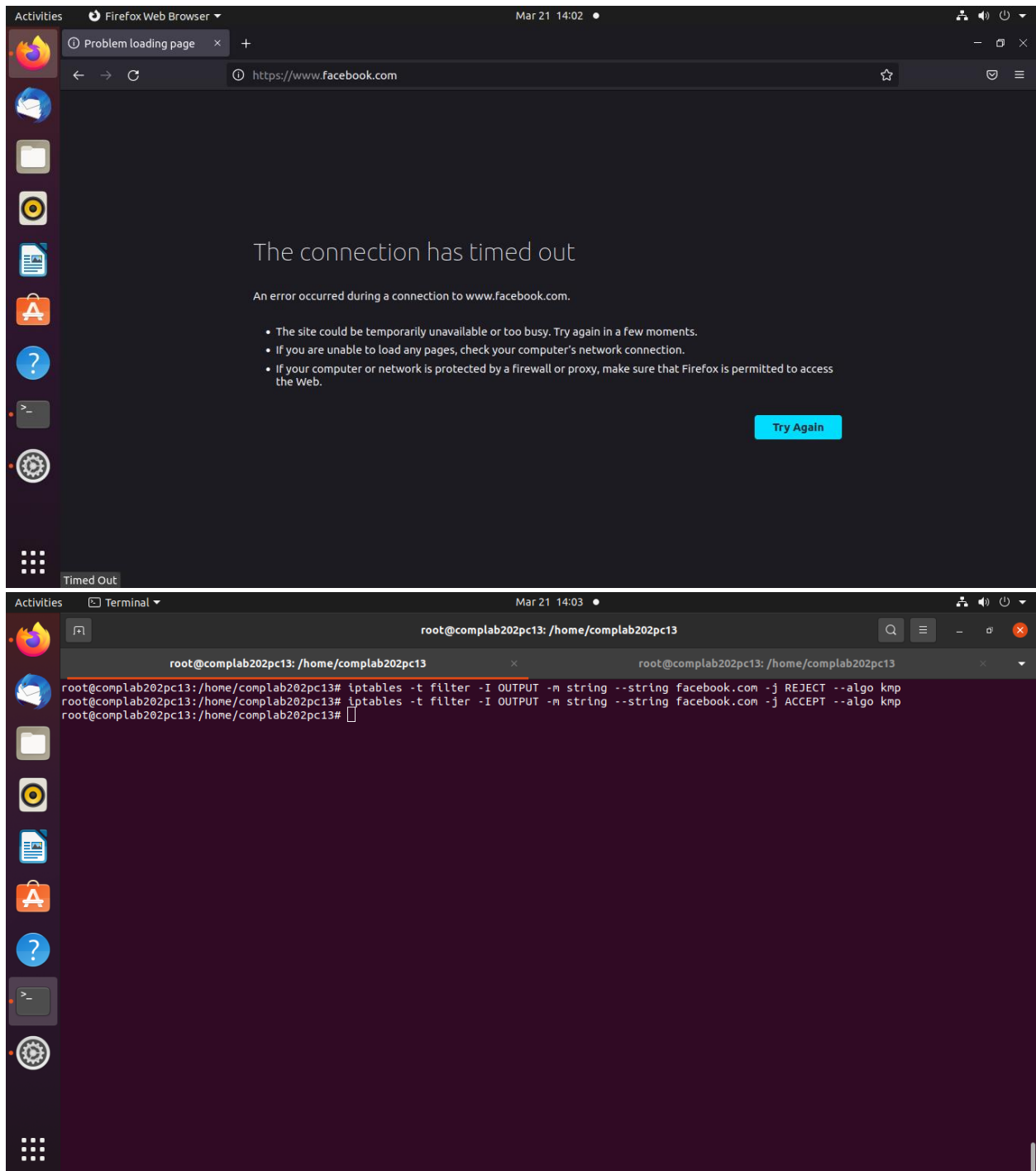
The screenshot shows a Kali Linux desktop environment. At the top, there is a taskbar with icons for Activities, Terminal, and a clock showing 13:57 on Mar 21. The main window is a terminal titled 'root@complab202pc13: /home/complab202pc13'. The terminal displays a list of 24 ICMP ping results, each showing the source IP (192.168.34.29), the sequence number (icmp\_seq), the TTL (64), and the time taken (time=). The sequence numbers range from 641 to 716, and the times are mostly between 2.13 ms and 2.18 ms.

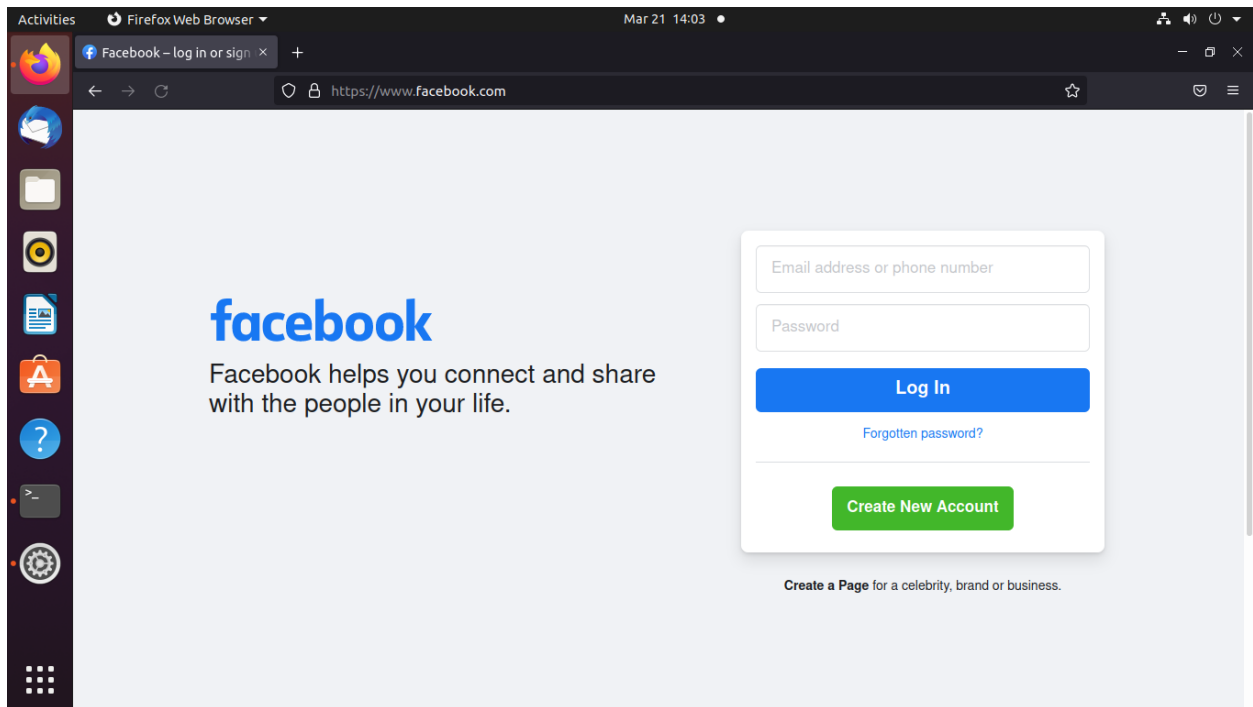
Sequence Number	TTL	Time (ms)
641	64	2.16
642	64	2.23
643	64	2.16
644	64	2.17
645	64	2.15
646	64	2.15
647	64	2.18
648	64	2.16
649	64	2.14
650	64	2.16
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653	64	2.16
654	64	2.16
655	64	2.16
656	64	2.15
657	64	2.18
658	64	2.16
659	64	2.15
660	64	2.17
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662	64	2.14
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706	64	2.15
707	64	2.16
708	64	2.17
709	64	2.14
710	64	2.17
711	64	2.16
712	64	2.15
713	64	2.18
714	64	2.15
715	64	2.16
716	64	2.13



## Rejecting all connections to facebook.com







**Conclusion:** Implemented firewall using iptables. Understood the functions and importance of a firewall. Successfully defined rules for certain ips to accept or reject them.