

Incident report analysis

Summary	The multimedia company recently experienced a DDoS attack, which compromised the internal network for two hours until it was resolved. The distributed denial of service attack was due to an ICMP packet flood. The response to this attack was to block incoming ICMP packets, which stopped all non-critical network services.
Identify	The malicious actor or actors targeted the company with an ICMP packet flood attack. This caused the entire internal network to be affected. All critical network resources needed to be secured and restored to a functioning state.
Protect	The cybersecurity team implemented a new firewall rule to limit the rate of incoming ICMP packets. The IDS/IPS system will now also filter out some ICMP traffic based on suspicious characteristics.
Detect	The cybersecurity team configured source IP address verification on the firewall to check for spoofed IP addresses on incoming ICMP packets and implemented network monitoring software to detect abnormal traffic patterns.
Respond	For future security events, the cybersecurity team will isolate affected systems to prevent further disruption to the network. They will attempt to restore any critical systems and services that were disrupted by the event. Then, the team will analyze network logs to check for suspicious and abnormal activity. The team will also report all incidents to upper management and appropriate legal authorities, if applicable.
Recover	To recover from a DDoS attack by ICMP flooding, access to network services need to be restored to a normal functioning state. In the future, external ICMP flood attacks can be blocked at the firewall. Then, all non-critical network

	services should be stopped to reduce internal network traffic. Next, critical
	network services should be restored first. Finally, once the flood of ICMP
	packets have timed out, all non-critical network systems and services can be
	brought back online.
Reflections/Notes:	