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# Chapter 1

## Topology and configurations

### 1.1 Overview

We structured a network composed of three zones: INSIDE, OUTSIDE and DMZ. In the INSIDE zone (internal network), there are two subnetworks. The 10.10.10.0/24 network, which we named the Admin Network, contains a VPCS with the IP address 10.10.10.2. The remaining IPs of 10.0.0.0/8 network is designated for the rest of the company terminals.

The OUTSIDE zone (Internet) consists of the 200.2.2.0/24 subnetwork with a VPCS to simulate an external device that we want to access from a company terminal.

Lastly, the DMZ zone includes the 192.1.1.0/24 subnetwork with three IP addresses. The 192.1.1.100 and 192.1.1.200 IPs are part of the DMZ-Server, the 192.1.1.200 simulates a web service accessible both internally and externally, 192.1.1.100 simulates another web service accessible only internally, which can represent an internal company web service such as an admin page. Additionally, we have instantiated a VPCS with the IP address 192.1.1.150 to simulate a DNS server.

This topology is depicted bellow with some other aspects of the network, in Figure 1.1.

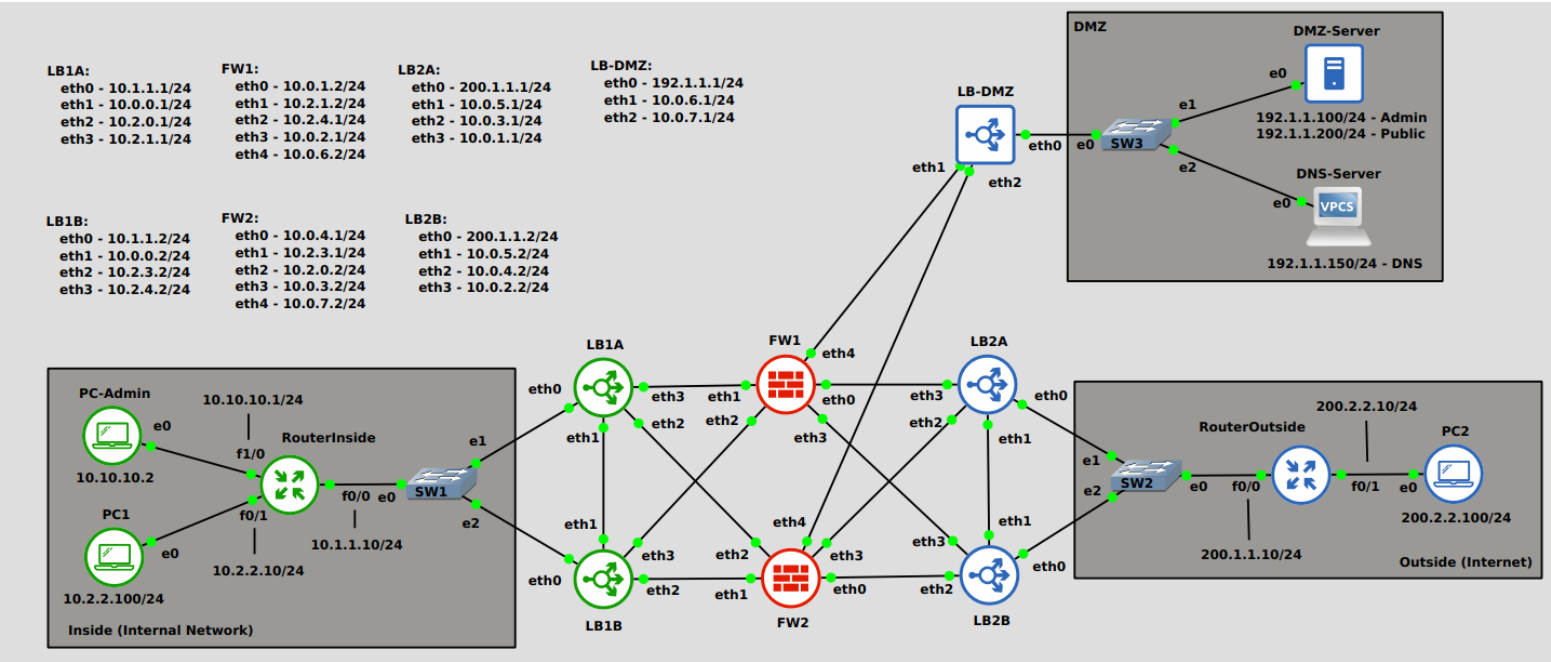


Figure 1.1: Topology of the network.

### 1.2 Configurations

#### 1.2.1 INSIDE and OUTSIDE

In the INSIDE and OUTSIDE networks, our configurations consisted in assigning the correct gateways to the VPCS (the ones directly connected and with the same subnetwork). On the RouterInside, we defined static routes for LB1A and LB1B, while on the RouterOutside, we set up static routes for LB2A and LB2B.

1.2.2 LBs and FWs

In the Load Balancers (LBs), we created static routes for the edge. For LB1A and LB1B, we set up static routes forwarding the 10.10.10.0/24 and 10.2.2.0/24 networks to the RouterInside interface (10.1.1.10). In contrast, for LB2A and LB2B, we established static routes directing traffic to the 200.2.2.0/24 network through the RouterOutside interface (200.1.1.10). This static routes configuration can be seen in lines 16 and 17 of Subsection A.1.1 and A.1.2. Additionally, all LBs have conntrack-sync configured on eth1, and load balancing on their eth2 and eth3 interfaces with equal weights, this means that the probability of forwarding a packet to an interface is 50% this is verified in Figure 1.2.



Figure 1.2: Load Balancers Synchronization and Probability.

For the Firewalls (FWs), we configured static routes from INSIDE to OUTSIDE and from OUTSIDE to INSIDE. Traffic heading to the 10.0.0.0/8 network is directed through the next-hops connected to the eth1 and eth2 interfaces, while traffic destined for the 200.2.2.0/24 network is routed through the next-hops linked to the eth0 and eth3 interfaces. This static routes configurations can be seen in lines 62 to 66 of Subsection B.1. We also activated the SSH service on port 22, gave access-control to the default user (vyos), and added a little bit of security by setting listen-address to the interface eth4, so that only devices connected to that interface would be able to access it through SSH, these configurations can be seen in lines 68 to 70 of Section B.1.

One important consideration is that the NAT pool between FWs must be distinct because there is a minimal chance that both FWs might select the same IP:PORT translation for different internal IPs, which is why we decided to separate the pools. This NAT configuration can be seen in lines 54 to 60 of Section B.1 and lines 3 to 9 of Section B.2. FW1 utilizes a pool ranging from 192.168.1.0 to 192.168.1.10, while FW2 uses a range from 192.168.1.11 to 192.168.1.20, this can be seen by the translations done by the firewall seen in Figure 1.3.

Another aspect to consider is that the LB2A and LB2B must have matching interfaces connected to the FWs. This is because the conntrack-sync records the packet that passed through the LBs and the interface on which it was received. Therefore, both LBs must have the same interface connected to the same FW, ensuring that if a request is handled by LB2B, the reply coming through LB2A can be redirected to the

FW1					FW2				
vyos@FW1:~\$ show nat source translations									
Pre-NAT		Post-NAT		Prot	Timeout	vyos@FW2:~\$ show nat source translations			
10.2.4.2	10.2.4.2	icmp	27			Pre-NAT	Post-NAT	Prot	Timeout
10.0.1.1	10.0.1.1	icmp	27			10.2.2.100	192.1.0.13	udp	178
10.0.2.2	10.0.2.2	icmp	25			10.0.4.2	10.0.4.2	icmp	25
10.2.2.100	192.1.0.3	udp	179			10.2.0.1	10.2.0.1	icmp	29
10.2.1.1	10.2.1.1	icmp	29			10.0.7.1	10.0.7.1	icmp	27
10.0.6.1	10.0.6.1	icmp	27			10.2.3.2	10.2.3.2	icmp	27
vyos@FW1:~\$					vyos@FW2:~\$				

Figure 1.3: NAT Translations.

correct FW, depicted in Figure 1.4. For LB1A and LB1B, this is not fully necessary because it does not matter which FW the request and reply go through, as there are no additional FWs between these LBs and the INSIDE network and there isn't traffic coming from the other zones to the INSIDE zone that aren't replies. The conntrack is configured in lines 19 to 23 of Subsections A.1.1 and A.1.2, while it's configured in lines 18 to 22 of Subsections A.2.1 and A.2.2.

*- [LB2A eth2 to FW2 eth3]							*- [LB2B eth2 to FW2 eth0]						
File Edit View Go Capture Analyze Statistics Telephony Wireless Tools Help													
udp													
No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info	No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
19	32.264635	200.2.2.100	192.1.0.13	UDP	98	5005 → 1002	17	29.687990	192.1.0.13	200.2.2.100	UDP	98	1002 → 5005
20	33.293978	200.2.2.100	192.1.0.13	UDP	98	5005 → 1002	20	30.714534	192.1.0.13	200.2.2.100	UDP	98	1002 → 5005
21	34.332299	200.2.2.100	192.1.0.13	UDP	98	5005 → 1002	21	31.751555	192.1.0.13	200.2.2.100	UDP	98	1002 → 5005
26	35.371425	200.2.2.100	192.1.0.13	UDP	98	5005 → 1002	22	32.788881	192.1.0.13	200.2.2.100	UDP	98	1002 → 5005
27	36.401161	200.2.2.100	192.1.0.13	UDP	98	5005 → 1002	23	33.826114	192.1.0.13	200.2.2.100	UDP	98	1002 → 5005

*- [LB1A eth2 to FW2 eth2]							*- [LB1B eth2 to FW2 eth1]						
File Edit View Go Capture Analyze Statistics Telephony Wireless Tools Help													
udp && udp.port==1002													
No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info	No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
780	1432.388018	10.2.2.100	200.2.2.100	UDP	98	1002 → 5005	749	1403.943451	200.2.2.100	10.2.2.100	UDP	98	5005 → 1002
781	1433.415604	10.2.2.100	200.2.2.100	UDP	98	1002 → 5005	750	1404.973007	200.2.2.100	10.2.2.100	UDP	98	5005 → 1002
782	1434.452602	10.2.2.100	200.2.2.100	UDP	98	1002 → 5005	751	1406.011093	200.2.2.100	10.2.2.100	UDP	98	5005 → 1002
783	1435.489979	10.2.2.100	200.2.2.100	UDP	98	1002 → 5005	756	1407.050325	200.2.2.100	10.2.2.100	UDP	98	5005 → 1002
786	1436.527171	10.2.2.100	200.2.2.100	UDP	98	1002 → 5005	757	1408.080254	200.2.2.100	10.2.2.100	UDP	98	5005 → 1002

Figure 1.4: Synchronization between Load Balancers and interface agreement.

It is important to note that in this case, the FWs do not require synchronization between them because the LBs are already synchronized. With the LBs synchronized, they can efficiently forward a reply to the FW that allowed the request to pass through. This ensures that the FWs do not need to be aware of each other's state.

### 1.2.3 DMZ

We added a LB in the DMZ because both FW1 and FW2 can send traffic to the DMZ. If we did not have an LB, we would need to use two gateways or a Router with static routes, which could cause problems since a request could come from one FW and the reply be sent to another, leading to connection issues. By introducing an LB connected to both FWs and the DMZ-Server and utilizing load-balancing and sticky connections, we can ensure that the reply always goes back to the FW that sent the request, as we can see in Figure 1.5. The DMZ's load balancer configuration can be found in Subsection A.3.

*- [LB-DMZ eth1 to FW1 eth4]						
File Edit View Go Capture Analyze Statistics Telephony Wireless Tools Help						
icmp && ip.src==10.10.10.2    ip.dst==10.10.10.2						
No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
23	43.623468	10.10.10.2	192.1.1.100	ICMP	98	Echo (ping) request
24	43.624770	192.1.1.100	10.10.10.2	ICMP	98	Echo (ping) reply
25	44.642233	10.10.10.2	192.1.1.100	ICMP	98	Echo (ping) request
26	44.643373	192.1.1.100	10.10.10.2	ICMP	98	Echo (ping) reply
31	46.680084	10.10.10.2	192.1.1.100	ICMP	98	Echo (ping) request
32	46.681327	192.1.1.100	10.10.10.2	ICMP	98	Echo (ping) reply

Figure 1.5: Sticky Connections for LB-DMZ.

# Chapter 2

## Services

We defined several services for our network. The INSIDE network can communicate with the OUTSIDE using UDP on ports 5000 to 6000. This service simulates a scenario where devices in the INSIDE need to communicate with devices in the OUTSIDE through a video conferencing system that uses UDP, for example. In this situation, the OUTSIDE network cannot initiate the communication, as we can see on Figure 2.1.

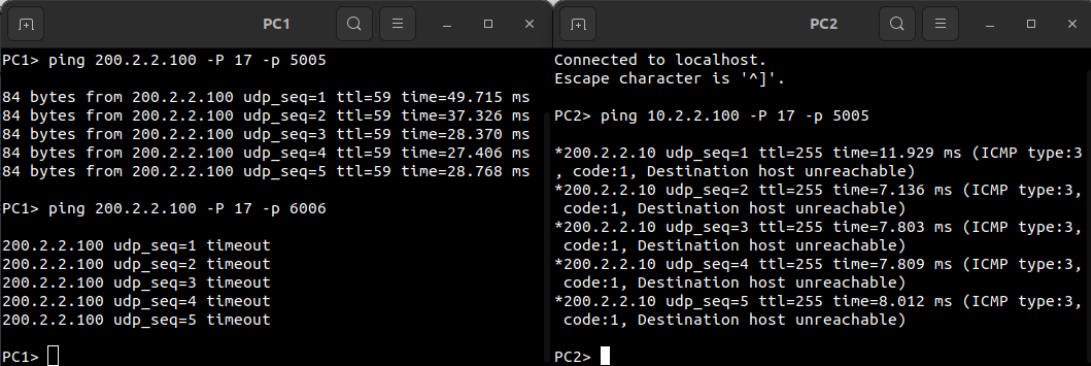


Figure 2.1: Rules of INSIDE to OUTSIDE communication.

Another service we considered was INSIDE access to the DMZ. All internal devices can ping devices in the DMZ network, communicate over UDP on port 53 (to simulate a DNS communication), and also communicate via TCP on ports 80 and 443, enabling them to access web services over HTTP and HTTPS. Additionally, only the admin network (10.10.10.0/24) can communicate with the DMZ over TCP on port 22, meaning that only administrators can establish SSH connections to the terminals within the DMZ. This can be seen in Figure 2.2

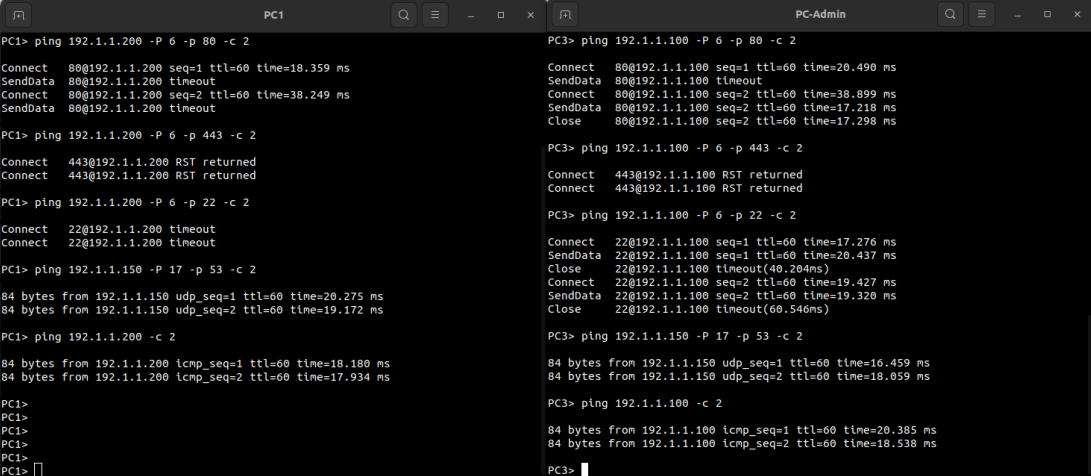


Figure 2.2: Rules of INSIDE to DMZ communication.

For the OUTSIDE network, we defined a service in which devices can only communicate with the IP address 192.1.1.200 (public page). The allowed communication methods are through pings or via TCP on port 443, which enables access over HTTPS, this behaviour can be seen in Figure 2.3.



```

PC2> ping 192.1.1.200 -c 2
84 bytes from 192.1.1.200 icmp_seq=1 ttl=60 time=19.441 ms
84 bytes from 192.1.1.200 icmp_seq=2 ttl=60 time=18.019 ms

PC2> ping 192.1.1.100 -c 2
192.1.1.100 icmp_seq=1 timeout
192.1.1.100 icmp_seq=2 timeout

PC2> ping 192.1.1.200 -P 6 -p 443 -c 2
Connect 443@192.1.1.200 RST returned
Connect 443@192.1.1.200 RST returned

PC2> ping 192.1.1.100 -P 6 -p 443 -c 2
Connect 443@192.1.1.100 timeout
Connect 443@192.1.1.100 timeout

PC2> ping 192.1.1.200 -P 6 -p 80 -c 2
Connect 80@192.1.1.200 timeout
Connect 80@192.1.1.200 timeout

```

Figure 2.3: Rules of OUTSIDE to DMZ communication.

One thing to bear in mind is that we do not allow devices from the OUTSIDE network to start a communication with the INSIDE devices and the DMZ devices do not initiate communication neither with INSIDE nor OUTSIDE devices.

```

labcom@LabComServer:~$ ping 200.2.2.100
PING 200.2.2.100 (200.2.2.100) 56(84) bytes of data.
^C
--- 200.2.2.100 ping statistics ---
3 packets transmitted, 0 received, 100% packet loss, time 48ms

labcom@LabComServer:~$ ping 10.2.2.100
PING 10.2.2.100 (10.2.2.100) 56(84) bytes of data.
^C
--- 10.2.2.100 ping statistics ---
3 packets transmitted, 0 received, 100% packet loss, time 47ms

```

Figure 2.4: Rules of DMZ to INSIDE and OUTSIDE communication.

## 2.1 Policies and rules

Based on the services previously explained, we defined this zone policies and rules.

### 2.1.1 Zone INSIDE

In this zone, we implemented 2 policies: FROM-DMZ-TO-INSIDE and FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-INSIDE. Both of them just have 1 rule, which is only accepting established and related connections, preventing the DMZ and OUTSIDE zones to initiate any type of communication with the internal network. The configuration of this rules can be found in Section B.1, from line 1 to 4 and from line 49 to 52, respectively. This rules are assigned to a zone in lines 78 and 79.

### 2.1.2 Zone OUTSIDE

In this zone, we implemented 2 policies: FROM-DMZ-TO-OUTSIDE and FROM-INSIDE-TO-OUTSIDE. The former has 1 rule, similar to the rules of the INSIDE zone, which only accepts established and related connections, preventing the DMZ to initiate any communication to the Internet. The latter also has only 1 rule that accepts UDP traffic sent from the zone INSIDE, more specifically, from the internal network restricted to the range of source ports 5000 to 6000.

The configuration of this rules can be found in Section B.1, from line 6 to 9 and from line 33 to 36, respectively. This rules are assigned to a zone in lines 84 and 85.

### 2.1.3 Zone DMZ

In this zone, we implemented 2 policies: FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ and FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-DMZ. The latter has 2 rules, the first one accepts ICMP Echo Requests from the OUTSIDE zone to the public page hosted in the DMZ server (192.1.1.200/32), while the second one allows the OUTSIDE zone to access via HTTPS (TCP on port 443) to the "public page" on the server. The former has 4 rules: the first one that accepts



ICMP Echo Requests from the INSIDE zone to all of DMZ zone, the second one that accepts HTTP, HTTPS and SSH from the Admin Network (10.10.10.0/24) to the DMZ, except for the 192.1.1.150, since it's a VPCS template used as a DNS Server, therefore doesn't support TCP communications so easily, the third rule that permits DNS (UDP using port 53) access on the DMZ from the zone INSIDE and finally, the forth rule that allows the other network in the internal network to access the DMZ zone with HTTP and HTTPS only (TCP using ports 80 and 443, respectively).

The configuration of this rules can be found in Section B.1, from line 11 to 31 and from line 38 to 47, respectively. This rules are assigned to a zone in lines 73 and 74.

## 2.2 DoS and DDoS attack denial

To simulate defense against an attack such as DoS or DDoS, we took the following steps. We created a Python script that runs on the DMZ-Server and detects IPs that send more than 10 pings within a 30-second period to the DMZ-Server IPs (192.1.1.100 or 192.1.1.200). Upon detecting such activity, the script adds the detected IP to a .txt file (blocked\_ip.list.txt) and injects rules into the FWs to block these IPs.

First, we create the address groups for the detected IPs in the INSIDE zone (INSIDE\_BLOCKED\_IPS) and the OUTSIDE zone (OUTSIDE\_BLOCKED\_IPS), and add the respective IPs depending on the network (it is part of the INSIDE network if it belongs to 10.0.0.0/8, and OUTSIDE for all others). Next, we create a rule in the firewall named FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ that blocks all access to the DMZ for the address group INSIDE\_BLOCKED\_IPS. We perform a similar action for the firewall named FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-DMZ by blocking all access to the DMZ for the address group OUTSIDE\_BLOCKED\_IPS.

We demonstrate the behaviour of our monitoring script in Figure 2.5, despite our monitor being set to trigger after a computer sends 10 pings within 30 seconds, the lengthy duration of communication with the FW allows the PC to to do another 10 pings or even more. The time it takes is so slow that we even see on the PC2 that one of the firewalls takes much longer than the other, and therefore, one of the pings still gets through the firewall that is not yet changed. After that we see that all IPs are blocked because we used an address-group on blocking rule.

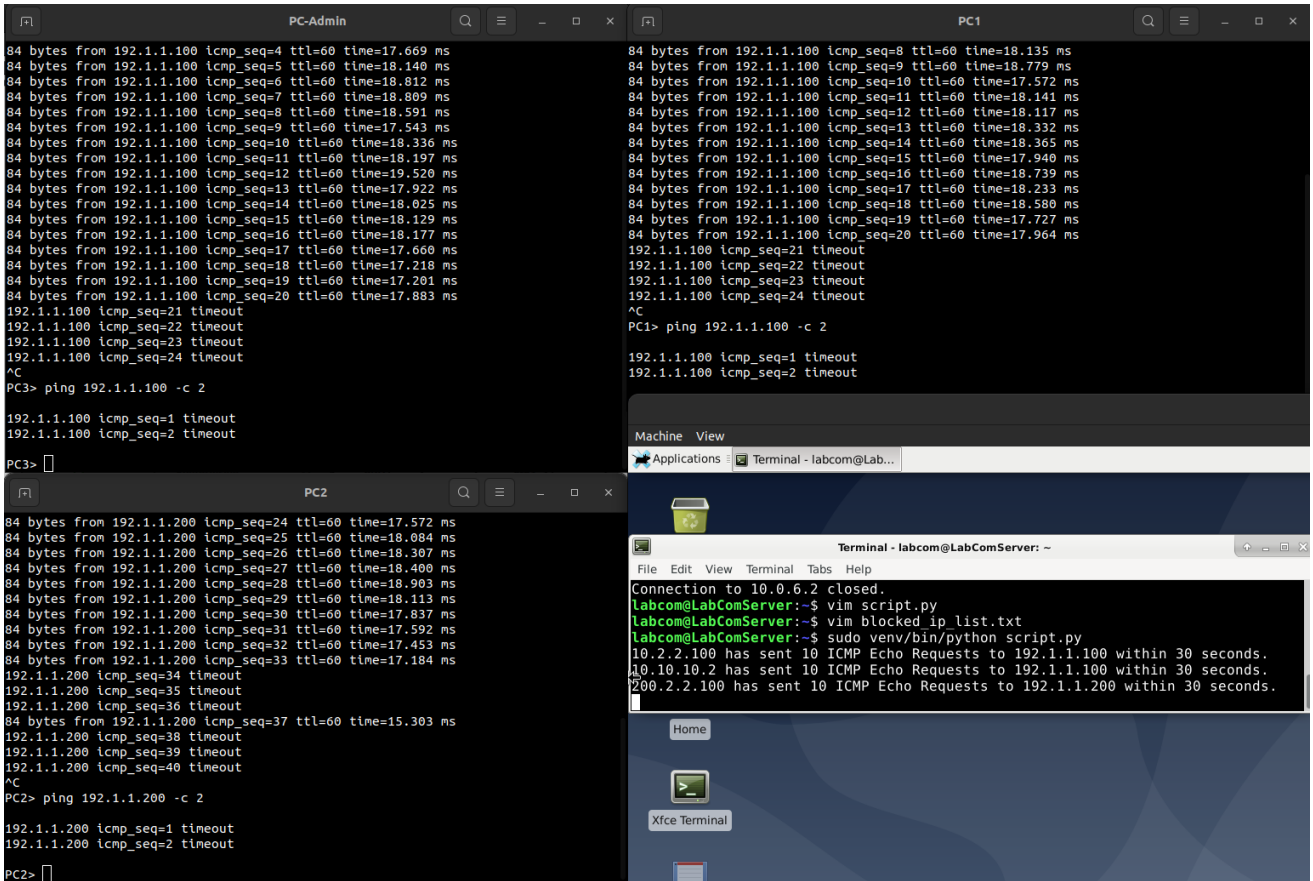


Figure 2.5: Denial of Service Protection.

To further prove that our script is working we see that firstly there are committed changes in our FWs after the script as been triggered as we can see on Figure 2.6, and on the Figure 2.7 we can see the before and after of our FWs configurations.

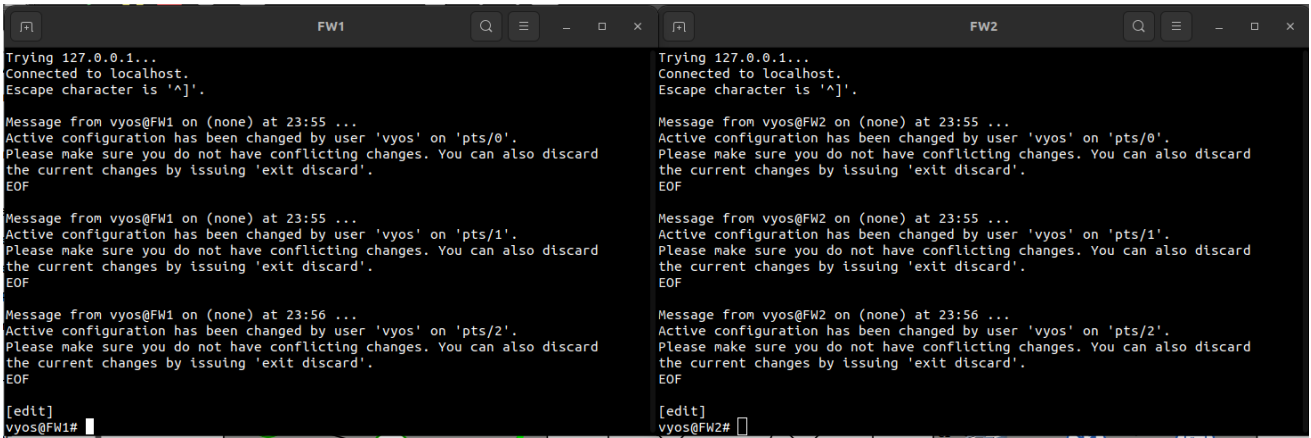


Figure 2.6: Commit being done remotely.

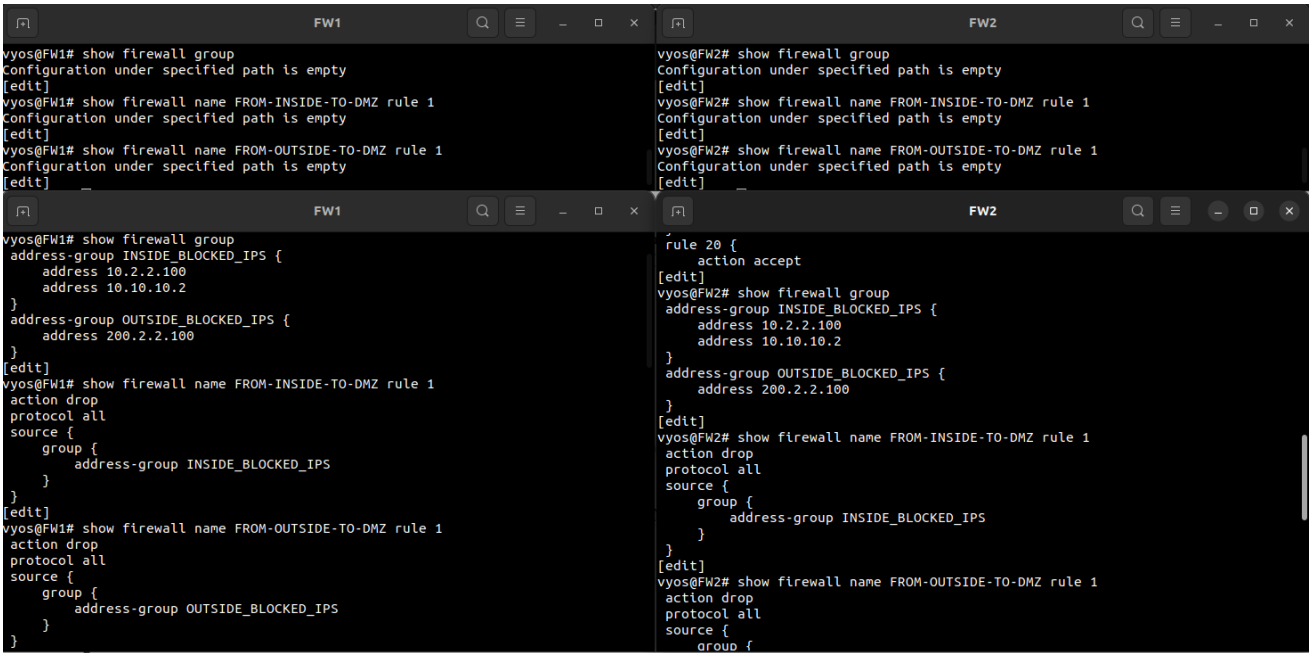


Figure 2.7: Firewalls (1 and 2) configuration before (upper) and after (lower) DDoS.

There are two considerations to keep in mind. First, the most suitable monitoring devices shouldn't be the DMZ. In an ideal scenario, this device should have access to the networks connecting the FWs to the DMZ and have a direct connection to the FWs. Its sole function would be to monitor the network with the use of the script and should only be accessible by terminals within the Admin network or, in an extreme scenario, by a specific address within the Admin network.

Another factor to consider is that if we were to change the monitoring device for detecting attacks, we would need to update the listen-address accordingly to match the new location of the monitoring device.

On a side note, it's also relevant to inform that the property of being able to block internal IPs is available for the worst-case scenario where a machine of the internal network may become compromised.

It is essential to mention that despite having prevention measures for DDoS and DoS attacks in place, the synchronization between LBs could potentially be exploited to launch an attack on the LBs themselves. The fact that the state is synchronized with conntrack-sync implies the exchange of information between LBs about the received traffic. A DDoS/DoS attack could potentially overwhelm the LBs by generating a large volume of traffic that they would need to process and synchronize, which could lead to performance issues or even a disruption of service. One solution would be to avoid synchronizing the LBs. However, to still have load-balancing, we could employ a load-balancing algorithm such as iphash. This algorithm enables the consistent distribution of traffic to the appropriate interface based on the IP address, ensuring that traffic from a specific client is always directed to the same interface, thus maintaining session persistence without the need for synchronization.

In order to do this, we developed the python script present on Section C.

# Appendix A

## Load Balancers Configuration

### A.1 Load Balancers 1

#### A.1.1 Load Balancer 1 A (LB1A)

```
1 set high-availability vrrp group LB1Cluster interface eth1
2 set high-availability vrrp group LB1Cluster rfc3768-compatibility
3 set high-availability vrrp group LB1Cluster virtual-address 10.0.0.1/24
4 set high-availability vrrp group LB1Cluster vrid 1
5 set high-availability vrrp sync-group LB1Cluster member LB1Cluster
6
7 set load-balancing wan disable-source-nat
8 set load-balancing wan interface-health eth2 nexthop 10.2.0.2
9 set load-balancing wan interface-health eth3 nexthop 10.2.1.2
10 set load-balancing wan rule 1 inbound-interface eth0
11 set load-balancing wan rule 1 interface eth2 weight 1
12 set load-balancing wan rule 1 interface eth3 weight 1
13 set load-balancing wan rule 1 protocol all
14 set load-balancing wan sticky-connections inbound
15
16 set protocols static route 10.2.2.0/24 next-hop 10.1.1.10
17 set protocols static route 10.10.10.0/24 next-hop 10.1.1.10
18
19 set service conntrack-sync accept-protocol tcp,udp,icmp
20 set service conntrack-sync disable-external-cache
21 set service conntrack-sync failover-mechanism vrrp sync-group LB1Cluster
22 set service conntrack-sync interface eth1
23 set service conntrack-sync mcast-group 225
```

#### A.1.2 Load Balancer 1 B (LB1B)

```
1 set high-availability vrrp group LB1Cluster interface eth1
2 set high-availability vrrp group LB1Cluster rfc3768-compatibility
3 set high-availability vrrp group LB1Cluster virtual-address 10.0.0.1/24
4 set high-availability vrrp group LB1Cluster vrid 1
5 set high-availability vrrp sync-group LB1Cluster member LB1Cluster
6
7 set load-balancing wan disable-source-nat
8 set load-balancing wan interface-health eth2 nexthop 10.2.3.1
9 set load-balancing wan interface-health eth3 nexthop 10.2.4.1
10 set load-balancing wan rule 1 inbound-interface eth0
11 set load-balancing wan rule 1 interface eth2 weight 1
12 set load-balancing wan rule 1 interface eth3 weight 1
13 set load-balancing wan rule 1 protocol all
14 set load-balancing wan sticky-connections inbound
15
16 set protocols static route 10.2.2.0/24 next-hop 10.1.1.10
17 set protocols static route 10.10.10.0/24 next-hop 10.1.1.10
18
19 set service conntrack-sync accept-protocol tcp,udp,icmp
20 set service conntrack-sync disable-external-cache
21 set service conntrack-sync failover-mechanism vrrp sync-group LB1Cluster
22 set service conntrack-sync interface eth1
23 set service conntrack-sync mcast-group 225
```

## A.2 Load Balancers 2

### A.2.1 Load Balancer 2 A (LB2A)

```
1 set high-availability vrrp group LB2Cluster interface eth1
2 set high-availability vrrp group LB2Cluster rfc3768-compatibility
3 set high-availability vrrp group LB2Cluster virtual-address ...
  192.168.100.1/24
4 set high-availability vrrp group LB2Cluster vrid 2
5 set high-availability vrrp sync-group LB2Cluster member LB2Cluster
6
7 set load-balancing wan disable-source-nat
8 set load-balancing wan interface-health eth2 nexthop 10.0.3.2
9 set load-balancing wan interface-health eth3 nexthop 10.0.1.2
10 set load-balancing wan rule 1 inbound-interface eth0
11 set load-balancing wan rule 1 interface eth2 weight 1
12 set load-balancing wan rule 1 interface eth3 weight 1
13 set load-balancing wan rule 1 protocol all
14 set load-balancing wan sticky-connections inbound
15
16 set protocols static route 200.2.2.0/24 next-hop 200.1.1.10
17
18 set service conntrack-sync accept-protocol tcp,udp,icmp
19 set service conntrack-sync disable-external-cache
20 set service conntrack-sync failover-mechanism vrrp sync-group LB2Cluster
21 set service conntrack-sync interface eth1
22 set service conntrack-sync mcast-group 225.0.0.50
```

### A.2.2 Load Balancer 2 B (LB2B)

```
1 set high-availability vrrp group LB2Cluster interface eth1
2 set high-availability vrrp group LB2Cluster rfc3768-compatibility
3 set high-availability vrrp group LB2Cluster virtual-address ...
  192.168.100.1/24
4 set high-availability vrrp group LB2Cluster vrid 2
5 set high-availability vrrp sync-group LB2Cluster member LB2Cluster
6
7 set load-balancing wan disable-source-nat
8 set load-balancing wan interface-health eth2 nexthop 10.0.4.1
9 set load-balancing wan interface-health eth3 nexthop 10.0.2.1
10 set load-balancing wan rule 1 inbound-interface eth0
11 set load-balancing wan rule 1 interface eth2 weight 1
12 set load-balancing wan rule 1 interface eth3 weight 1
13 set load-balancing wan rule 1 protocol all
14 set load-balancing wan sticky-connections inbound
15
16 set protocols static route 200.2.2.0/24 next-hop 200.1.1.10
17
18 set service conntrack-sync accept-protocol tcp,udp,icmp
19 set service conntrack-sync disable-external-cache
20 set service conntrack-sync failover-mechanism vrrp sync-group LB2Cluster
21 set service conntrack-sync interface eth1
22 set service conntrack-sync mcast-group 225.0.0.50
```

## A.3 Load Balancer DMZ

```
1 set load-balancing wan disable-source-nat
2 set load-balancing wan interface-health eth1 nexthop 10.0.6.2
3 set load-balancing wan interface-health eth2 nexthop 10.0.7.2
4 set load-balancing wan rule 1 inbound-interface eth0
5 set load-balancing wan rule 1 interface eth1 weight 1
6 set load-balancing wan rule 1 interface eth2 weight 1
7 set load-balancing wan rule 1 protocol all
8 set load-balancing wan sticky-connections inbound
```

# Appendix B

## Firewalls Configuration

### B.1 Firewall 1

```
1 set firewall name FROM-DMZ-TO-INSIDE rule 10 action accept
2 set firewall name FROM-DMZ-TO-INSIDE rule 10 description "Accept ...
  Established-related connections"
3 set firewall name FROM-DMZ-TO-INSIDE rule 10 state established enable
4 set firewall name FROM-DMZ-TO-INSIDE rule 10 state related enable
5
6 set firewall name FROM-DMZ-TO-OUTSIDE rule 10 action accept
7 set firewall name FROM-DMZ-TO-OUTSIDE rule 10 description "Accept ...
  Established-related connections"
8 set firewall name FROM-DMZ-TO-OUTSIDE rule 10 state established enable
9 set firewall name FROM-DMZ-TO-OUTSIDE rule 10 state related enable
10
11 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 10 action accept
12 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 10 description "Accept ICMP ...
  Echo Request to DMZ"
13 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 10 destination address ...
  192.1.1.0/24
14 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 10 icmp type 8
15 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 10 protocol icmp
16 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 20 action accept
17 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 20 description "Accept ...
  HTTP, HTTPS and SSH from Admin to DMZ"
18 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 20 destination address ...
  192.1.1.0/24
19 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 20 destination port 22,80,443
20 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 20 protocol tcp
21 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 20 source address 10.10.10.0/24
22 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 30 action accept
23 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 30 description "Allow DNS ...
  access to DMZ"
24 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 30 destination address ...
  192.1.1.0/24
25 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 30 destination port 53
26 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 30 protocol udp
27 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 40 action accept
28 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 40 description "Accept HTTP ...
  and HTTPS from INSIDE to DMZ"
29 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 40 destination address ...
  192.1.1.0/24
30 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 40 destination port 80,443
31 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 40 protocol tcp
32
33 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-OUTSIDE rule 10 action accept
34 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-OUTSIDE rule 10 description "Accept ...
  UDP from ports 5000-6000"
35 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-OUTSIDE rule 10 destination port ...
  5000-6000
36 set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-OUTSIDE rule 10 protocol udp
37
38 set firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 10 action accept
39 set firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 10 description "Accept ...
  ICMP Echo Request to Public Page"
40 set firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 10 destination address ...
  192.1.1.200/32
41 set firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 10 icmp type 8
42 set firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 10 protocol icmp
43 set firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 20 action accept
```

```

44 set firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 20 description "Accept ...
    HTTPS to Public Page"
45 set firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 20 destination address ...
    192.1.1.200/32
46 set firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 20 destination port 443
47 set firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-DMZ rule 20 protocol tcp
48
49 set firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-INSIDE rule 10 action accept
50 set firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-INSIDE rule 10 description "Accept ...
    Established-related connections"
51 set firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-INSIDE rule 10 state established enable
52 set firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-INSIDE rule 10 state related enable
53
54 set nat source rule 10 outbound-interface eth0
55 set nat source rule 10 source address 10.0.0.0/8
56 set nat source rule 10 translation address 192.1.0.1-192.1.0.10
57
58 set nat source rule 20 outbound-interface eth3
59 set nat source rule 20 source address 10.0.0.0/8
60 set nat source rule 20 translation address 192.1.0.1-192.1.0.10
61
62 set protocols static route 0.0.0.0/0 next-hop 10.0.1.1
63 set protocols static route 0.0.0.0/0 next-hop 10.0.2.2
64 set protocols static route 10.0.0.0/12 next-hop 10.2.1.1
65 set protocols static route 10.0.0.0/12 next-hop 10.2.4.2
66 set protocols static route 192.1.1.0/24 next-hop 10.0.6.1
67
68 set service ssh access-control allow user vyos
69 set service ssh listen-address 10.0.6.2
70 set service ssh port 22
71
72 set zone-policy zone DMZ description DMZ
73 set zone-policy zone DMZ from INSIDE firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ
74 set zone-policy zone DMZ from OUTSIDE firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-DMZ
75 set zone-policy zone DMZ interface eth4
76
77 set zone-policy zone INSIDE description "Inside (Internal Network)"
78 set zone-policy zone INSIDE from DMZ firewall name FROM-DMZ-TO-INSIDE
79 set zone-policy zone INSIDE from OUTSIDE firewall name ...
    FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-INSIDE
80 set zone-policy zone INSIDE interface eth1
81 set zone-policy zone INSIDE interface eth2
82
83 set zone-policy zone OUTSIDE description "Outside (Internet)"
84 set zone-policy zone OUTSIDE from DMZ firewall name FROM-DMZ-TO-OUTSIDE
85 set zone-policy zone OUTSIDE from INSIDE firewall name ...
    FROM-INSIDE-TO-OUTSIDE
86 set zone-policy zone OUTSIDE interface eth0
87 set zone-policy zone OUTSIDE interface eth3

```

## B.2 Firewall 2

```

1 -- the same firewall rules defined in Firewall 1
2
3 set nat source rule 10 outbound-interface eth0
4 set nat source rule 10 source address 10.0.0.0/8
5 set nat source rule 10 translation address 192.1.0.11-192.1.0.20
6
7 set nat source rule 20 outbound-interface eth3
8 set nat source rule 20 source address 10.0.0.0/8
9 set nat source rule 20 translation address 192.1.0.11-192.1.0.20
10
11 set protocols static route 0.0.0.0/0 next-hop 10.0.3.1
12 set protocols static route 0.0.0.0/0 next-hop 10.0.4.2
13 set protocols static route 10.0.0.0/12 next-hop 10.2.0.1
14 set protocols static route 10.0.0.0/12 next-hop 10.2.3.2
15 set protocols static route 192.1.1.0/24 next-hop 10.0.7.1
16
17 set service ssh access-control allow user vyos
18 set service ssh listen-address 10.0.7.2
19 set service ssh port 22
20
21 -- the same zones defined in Firewall 1

```

# Appendix C

## Script for attack detection

```
1 from scapy.all import *
2 from collections import defaultdict
3 from threading import Lock, Timer
4 from netmiko import ConnectHandler
5 import time
6
7 TARGET_IPS = [ '192.1.1.100' , '192.1.1.200' ]
8 THRESHOLD = 10
9 TIME_WINDOW = 30
10 BLOCKED_IP_FILE = "blocked_ip_list.txt"
11
12 icmp_counts = defaultdict (lambda: defaultdict (int))
13 icmp_times = defaultdict(lambda: defaultdict (list))
14 detected_ips = set()
15 lock = Lock()
16
17 def block_ip_on_vyos(ip):
18     fw = {
19         "device_type": "vyos",
20         "host": ip,
21         "username": "vyos",
22         "password": "vyos",
23         "port": 22
24     }
25
26     net_connect = ConnectHandler(**fw)
27
28     inside_ips = []
29     outside_ips = []
30
31     with open(BLOCKED_IP_FILE, 'r') as file:
32         for line in file:
33             ip = line.strip()
34             if ip[0:3] == "10.":
35                 inside_ips.append(ip)
36             else:
37                 outside_ips.append(ip)
38
39     if inside_ips != []:
40         config_commands = ['del firewall group address-group ...
INSIDE.BLOCKED_IPS']
41         for ip in inside_ips:
42             config_commands.append(f'set firewall group address-...
group INSIDE.BLOCKED_IPS address {ip}')
43             config_commands.append('set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ...
rule 1 action drop')
44             config_commands.append('set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ...
rule 1 protocol all')
45             config_commands.append('set firewall name FROM-INSIDE-TO-DMZ...
rule 1 source group address-group INSIDE.BLOCKED_IPS')
46             output = net_connect.send_config_set(config_commands, ...
exit_config_mode=False)
47             print (output)
48             output = net_connect.commit()
49             print(output)
50     if outside_ips != []:
51         config_commands = ['del firewall group address-group ...
OUTSIDE.BLOCKED_IPS']
52         for ip in outside_ips:
53             config_commands.append(f'set firewall group address-...
group OUTSIDE.BLOCKED_IPS address {ip}')
```



```

54     config_commands.commands('set firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-...
DMZ rule 1 action drop')
55     config_commands.commands('set firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-...
DMZ rule 1 protocol all')
56     config_commands.commands('set firewall name FROM-OUTSIDE-TO-...
DMZ rule 1 source group address-group OUTSIDE.BLOCKED_IPS')
57     output = net_connect.send_config_set(config_commands, ...
exit_config_mode=False)
58     print(output)
59     output = net_connect.commit()
60     print(output)
61
62 def reset_counts():
63     global icmp_counts
64     global icmp_times
65     with lock:
66         icmp_counts = defaultdict(lambda: defaultdict(int))
67         icmp_times = defaultdict(lambda: defaultdict(list))
68     Timer(TIMEWINDOW, reset_counts).start()
69
70 def update_blocked_ip_file(ip):
71     if not string_in_file(BLOCKED_IP_FILE, ip):
72         with open(BLOCKED_IP_FILE, "a") as f:
73             f.write(f"{ip}\n")
74
75 def string_in_file(filename, target_string):
76     with open(filename, 'r') as file:
77         for line in file:
78             if target_string in line:
79                 return False
80     return True
81
82 def monitor_icmp(packet):
83     if packet.haslayer(ICMP) and packet[ICMP].type == 8:    # ICMP ...
Echo Request
84         src_ip = packet[IP].src
85         dst_ip = packet[IP].dst
86
87         if dst_ip in TARGET_IPS:
88             with lock:
89                 icmp_counts[src_ip][dst_ip] += 1
90                 icmp_times[src_ip][dst_ip].append(time.time())
91                 icmp_times[src_ip][dst_ip] = [ t for t in icmp_times[src_ip][dst_ip] if t > (time.time() - TIMEWINDOW) ]
92
93                 if icmp_counts[src_ip][dst_ip] >= THRESHOLD:
94                     if src_ip not in detected_ips:
95                         detected_ips.add(src_ip)
96                         update_blocked_ip_file(src_ip)
97                         print(f"{src_ip} has sent {icmp_counts[src_ip][dst_ip]} ICMP Echo Requests to {dst_ip} within {TIMEWINDOW} ...
seconds.")
98
99                 block_ip_vyos1_thread = threading.Thread(target=...
block_ip_on_vyos, args=("10.0.6.2",))
100                 block_ip_vyos2_thread = threading.Thread(target=...
block_ip_on_vyos, args=("10.0.7.2",))
101                 block_ip_vyos1_thread.start()
102                 block_ip_vyos2_thread.start()
103                 block_ip_vyos1_thread.join()
104                 block_ip_vyos2_thread.join()
105                 icmp_counts[src_ip][dst_ip] = 0
106                 icmp_times[src_ip][dst_ip] = []
107
108 reset_counts()
sniff(prn=monitor_icmp)

```