**Denial Of Service Attack via Ping**

**Description 1**

A vulnerability exists with systems receiving oversized ICMP datagrams which may cause the system to crash, freeze, or reboot. An intruder may use ping command to construct oversized ICMP datagrams (which are encapsulated in IP packet) [1]

**Note: attack description is very similar to ping of death. It can be considered as a specific kind of ping of death.**

**Reference**

[1] [**http://www.securityfocus.com/advisories/968**](http://www.securityfocus.com/advisories/968)