50.020 Network Security Lab 7 | Wong Chi Seng 1002853

Task 2

The IP of machine A is 10.0.2.9 while that of B is 10.0.2.11.

• Preventing VM A from doing telnet to VM B

Before inserting the kernel module with code to block out telnet traffic, we can still establish a telnet connection.

```
Trying 10.0.2.11...
Connected to 10.0.2.11.
Escape character is '^]'.
Ubuntu 16.04.2 LTS
UM login: seed
Password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 16.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.8.0-36-generic i686)

* Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
* Management: https://landscape.canonical.com
* Support: https://ubuntu.com/advantage

0 packages can be updated.
0 updates are security updates.

The programs included with the Ubuntu system are free software; the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the individual files in /usr/share/doc/*/copyright.

Ubuntu comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by applicable law.

[04/08/20]seed@VM:~$
```

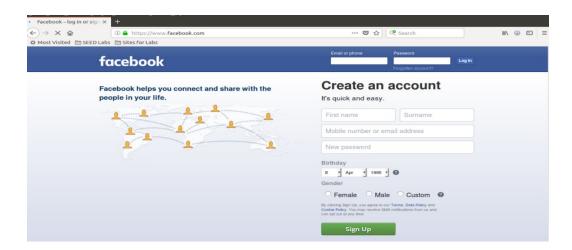
After inserting the kernel module, the connection attempt gets blocked.

Below shows a snippet of the code used to block network traffic.

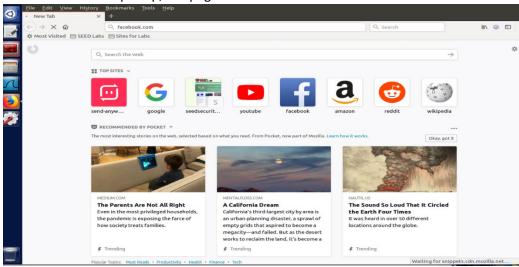
```
//Rule 1
if(iph->protocol == IPPROTO_TCP && tcph -> dest == htons(23) && iph->saddr == in_aton("10.0.2.9") && iph->daddr == in_aton("10.0.2.11")){
return NF_DROP;
}
```

Preventing VM A from visiting a website

Before the firewall is put up, we can still access the site www.facebook.com as shown below.



After the firewall is put up, the page never loads on the browser.



The IP of www.facebook.com can be found using the dig command although it changes from time to time. At that point in time, the IP address was 152.240.13.35

```
if(iph -> protocol == IPPROTO_TCP && src_ip == in_aton("10.0.2.9") && dest_ip == in_aton("157.240.13.35")){
return NF_DROP;
}
```

• Preventing VM A from doing SSH to VM B

Before the firewall is put up, SSH connections are still allowed.

```
[04/08/20]seed@VM:-$ ssh 10.0.2.11
The authenticity of host '10.0.2.11 (10.0.2.11)' can't be established.
ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:plzAio6clbI+8HDp5xa+eKRi56laFDaPE1/xqleYzCI.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added '10.0.2.11' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts.
seed@10.0.2.11' spassword:
Welcome to Ubuntu 16.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.8.0-36-generic i686)

* Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
* Management: https://landscape.canonical.com
* Support: https://landscape.canonical.com
0 packages can be updated.
0 updates are security updates.
Last login: Wed Apr 8 06:15:44 2020 from 10.0.2.9
[04/08/20]seed@VM:-$
```

After the firewall is in place, SSH connections are dropped by the machine A.

```
[04/08/20]seed@VM:~$ ssh 10.0.2.11
```

In the screenshot below, we block out outgoing traffic to port 22.

```
//Rule 3
if(iph->protocol == IPPROTO_TCP && tcph -> dest == htons(22) && src_ip == in_aton("10.0.2.9") && dest_ip == in_aton("10.0.2.11")){
return NF_DROP;
}
```

Task 3

a) Telnet to Machine B through the firewall. Please describe your observation and explain how you are able to bypass the egress filtering.

Before the firewall, we can still establish telnet connections.

After adding the rule to ufw, we cannot connect to machine B via telnet.

```
| Main |
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We can use the command ssh -L to establish a ssh tunnel through machine C with address 10.0.2.15. The command forwards our local port 8000 to port 23 on machine B through machine C.

```
[04/08/20]seed@VM:~$ ssh -L 8000:10.0.2.11:23 seed@10.0.2.15
seed@10.0.2.15's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 16.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.8.0-36-generic i686)
   Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
Management: https://landscape.canonical.com
https://ubuntu.com/advantage
0 packages can be updated.
0 updates are security updates.
Last login: Wed Apr 8 06:57:16 2020 from 10.0.2.9 [04/08/20]seed@VM:~$
```

After the tunnelling, we can establish a telnet connection to machine B.

```
After the tuninening, we can establish a terret connect
[04/08/20]seed@VM:~$ telnet localhost 8000
Trying 127.0.0.1..
Connected to localhost.
Escape character is '^]'.
Ubuntu 16.04.2 LTS
VM login: seed
Password:
Last login: Wed Apr 8 07:05:00 EDT 2020 from 10.0.2.9 on pts/17
Welcome to Ubuntu 16.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.8.0-36-generic 1686)
                                        https://help.ubuntu.com
https://landscape.canonical.com
https://ubuntu.com/advantage
   * Documentation:
  * Management:
* Support:
0 packages can be updated.
0 updates are security updates.
 [04/08/20]seed@VM:~$ pwd
```

SSH tunnelling works in this scenario as we can bind our local port 8000 to the machine C 10.0.2.15 through an SSH connection. This machine will then forward our packets to machine B's telnet port. Using this method, we can securely bidirectionally transfer telnet packets from A to B bypassing the firewall. This is also shown in the screenshot below where 10.0.2.15 forwards the packets to 10.0.2.11.

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10 2020-04-08 10:51:58.1466260... 10.0.2.15
11 2020-04-08 10:51:58.1466464... 10.0.2.9
14 2020-04-08 10:51:58.14796645... 10.0.2.11
15 2020-04-08 10:51:58.1797620... 10.0.2.15
16 2020-04-08 10:51:58.1799228... 10.0.2.15
17 2020-04-08 10:51:58.1799228... 10.0.2.9
18 2020-04-08 10:51:58.1801465... 10.0.2.9
19 2020-04-08 10:51:58.1804450... 10.0.2.15
20 2020-04-08 10:51:58.1807519... 10.0.2.15
21 2020-04-08 10:51:58.1807519... 10.0.2.11
21 2020-04-08 10:51:58.1807542... 10.0.2.11
22 2020-04-08 10:51:58.1807542... 10.0.2.15
23 2020-04-08 10:51:58.1807545... 10.0.2.15
23 2020-04-08 10:51:58.1807545... 10.0.2.15
25 2020-04-08 10:51:58.1807555... 10.0.2.15
25 2020-04-08 10:51:58.1807559... 10.0.2.15
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118 Client: Encrypted packet (lene-

78 Telnet Data ...

66 23 — 52912 [ACK] Seq=181479477

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```

b) 1. Run Firefox and go visit the Facebook page. Can you see the Facebook page? Please describe your observation.

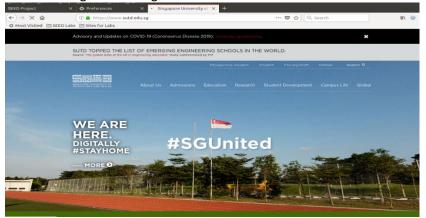
Before setting up the tunnelling we are unable to access the site.



The ssh command used to set up a dynamic SSH tunnel

```
[04/08/20]seed@VM:-$ ssh -D 9000 -C seed@10.0.2.11 seed@10.0.2.11's password: Welcome to Ubuntu 16.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.8.0-36-gen eric i686)
     Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
Management: https://landscape.canonical.com
https://ubuntu.com/advantage
     Management:
Support:
0 packages can be updated.
0 updates are security updates.
Last login: Wed Apr 8 07:07:13 2020 from 10.0.2.15 [04/08/20]seed@VM:~$
```

Instead of facebook's page, I used <u>www.sutd.edu.sg</u> for a more stable IP. We are able to access through tunnelling.

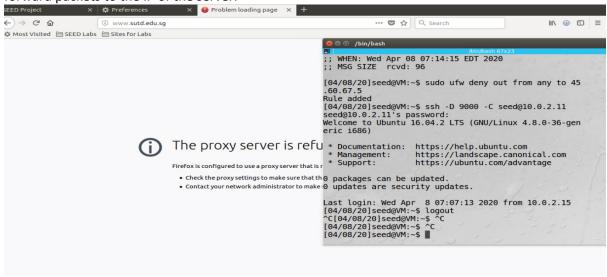


Below shows the traffic through SSH to 10.0.2.15 which is our jump server, and then to the IP of www.sutd.edu.sg to establish a connection through TCP with TLS.

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1 2020-04-08 11:00:28.4275927	10.0.2.9	10.0.2.15	SSH	1918 Client: Encrypted packet (len=1
2 2020-04-08 11:00:28.4278962	10.0.2.15	10.0.2.9	TCP	66 22 → 50188 [ACK] Seq=4213018547
3 2020-04-08 11:00:28.4280117	10.0.2.15	45.60.67.5	TLSv1.2	1862 Application Data
4 2020-04-08 11:00:28.4283700	45.60.67.5	10.0.2.15	TCP	60 443 → 38328 [ACK] Seq=32763 Ack
5 2020-04-08 11:00:29.6695750	45.60.67.5	10.0.2.15	TLSv1.2	406 Application Data
6 2020-04-08 11:00:29.6696936	10.0.2.15	45.60.67.5	TCP	60 38328 → 443 [ACK] Seq=268351438
7 2020-04-08 11:00:29.6700811	10.0.2.15	10.0.2.9	SSH	462 Server: Encrypted packet (len=3
8 2020-04-08 11:00:29.6701305	10.0.2.9	10.0.2.15	TCP	66 50188 → 22 [ACK] Seq=4265788666
9 2020-04-08 11:00:29.6731637	45.60.67.5	10.0.2.15	TCP	1514 [TCP segment of a reassembled P
10 2020-04-08 11:00:29.6733435	10.0.2.15	45.60.67.5	TCP	60 38328 → 443 [ACK] Seq=268351438
11 2020-04-08 11:00:29.6735122	45.60.67.5	10.0.2.15	TLSv1.2	1471 Application Data, Application D
12 2020-04-08 11:00:29.6735154	10.0.2.15	45.60.67.5	TCP	60 38328 → 443 [ACK] Seq=268351438
13 2020-04-08 11:00:29.6739080	10.0.2.15	10.0.2.9	SSH	2990 Server: Encrypted packet (len=2
14 2020-04-08 11:00:29.6739381	10.0.2.9	10.0.2.15	TCP	66 50188 → 22 [ACK] Seq=4265788666
15 2020-04-08 11:00:29.6753731	45.60.67.5	10.0.2.15	TCP	1514 [TCP segment of a reassembled P
16 2020-04-08 11:00:29.6754952	10.0.2.15	45.60.67.5	TCP	60 38328 - 443 [ACK] Seq=268351438
17 2020-04-08 11:00:29.6759226	10.0.2.15	10.0.2.9	SSH	1566 Server: Encrypted packet (len=1
18 2020-04-08 11:00:29.6759514	10.0.2.9	10.0.2.15	TCP	66 50188 → 22 [ACK] Seq=4265788666

2) After you get the facebook page, break the SSH tunnel, clear the Firefox cache, and try the connection again. Please describe your observation.

After cutting the connection, we are not able to access the website. This is because we are using the tunnel as a proxy and now that the tunnel has been broken, we are not able to forward packets to the IP of the server.



3) Establish the SSH tunnel again and connect to Facebook. Describe your observation.

After we establish the connection again, we are able to access the website.



4) We are able to bypass the egress filtering as seen in the earlier tasks as we are using machine C as a proxy server to tunnel our requests through port 9000 on machine C's end via SSH. This will then allow machine C to send out packets to the IP we want to visit without being restricted by the firewall on our local machine. As seen in the earlier wireshark captures, the packets get forwarded through the SSH connection and sent to the correct IP of the website.