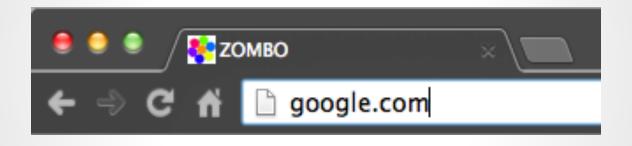
Internet I

DNS Lookup and Information Transfer

DNS Lookup



What happens when we type an address into the URL bar?

DNS (Domain Name System)

Turn www.google.com into 74.125.239.113

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BCjUbpIzRs8
- Like an address, DNS "zooms in" by analyzing parts of the URL before others
 - Before sending a package to the correct address, packages are first sent to the correct city
- What are the steps?
 - Send request to "." root DNS server
 - Send request to returned ".com" DNS server
 - Send request to returned "google.com" DNS server
 - This issues the location of "www.google.com" as 74.125.239.113
 - Save address and continue communication with the correct ip

DNS

"." Root of the Internet COM DNS Servers Palaestratraining.com DNS Server Web Server hosting 10. www.palaestratraining.com

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Question: What kind of vulnerabilities can you see with this system?

Question: What can we do to prevent such an attack?

Information Transfer

How does Alice send a message to Bob over the internet?



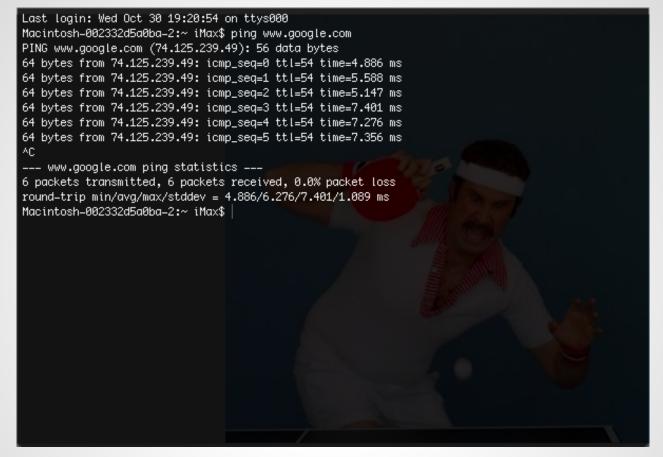
Traceroute from Lab shows all the computers your information crosses before reaching the designated website "www.google.com"

Question: How could more "hops" increase the vulnerability of your communication?

Packets

- Akin to a letter containing an address with "delivery instructions" and some amount of information ~128 bytes total
- Used to carry pieces of your data in discrete packets.
- Statistics:
 - 3MB song file requires about 24000 packets to send!
 - Over 700 billion packets sent every single second worldwide!*

^{*}Based on ~21 Exabytes global data transfer each month



From lab, Ping times how long it takes to send and receive a packet from a website.

Delays

- Packets are fast
- But not instantaneous
- Delays open window for sneaky attacks
- Packet delays limit how much information can be transferred
- Question: Can this delay compromise...
 - Reliability?
 - Confidentiality?
 - o Integrity?
 - Authenticity?



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