

## Lab 2 – Kevin Martin

### Task 1 Using Firewall

To prevent Machine A from doing telnet to Machine B, I will set up a rule to Machine A's iptables explicitly blocking Machine B. First, a successful telnet of Machine B to Machine A:

```
[10/26/20]seed@VM:~$ ifconfig
enp0s3 Link encap:Ethernet HWaddr 08:00:27:e8:d3:35
          inet addr: 10.0.2.15 Bcast:10.0.2.255 Mask:255.255.255.0
                         ...
inet6 addr: fe80::ec48:64fb:9763:ae78/64 Scope:Link
UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST MTU:1500 Metric:1
RX packets:122 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
TX packets:143 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
collisions:0 txqueuelen:1000
RX bytes:26790 (26.7 KB) TX bytes:16458 (16.4 KB)

lo      Link encap:Local Loopback
inet6 addr: ::1/128 Scope:Host
UP LOOPBACK RUNNING MTU:65536 Metric:1
RX packets:203 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
TX packets:203 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
collisions:0 txqueuelen:1
RX bytes:38166 (38.1 KB) TX bytes:38166 (38.1 KB)

[10/26/20]seed@VM:~$ 
```

```
[10/26/20]seed@VM:~$ telnet 10.0.2.15
Trying 10.0.2.15...
Connected to 10.0.2.15.
Escape character is '^]'.
Ubuntu 16.04.2 LTS
VM login: seed
Password:
Last login: Wed Oct 21 15:23:04 EDT 2020 from 10.0.2.4 on pts/17
Welcome to Ubuntu 16.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.8.0-36-generic i686)

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```

Note how Machine A is 10.2.15 (left VM), and machine B (10.0.2.4, right VM) was able to successfully telnet in. Now, the rule will be added to Machine A, and Machine B will try to establish a connection:

```
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Connected to 10.0.2.15.
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```

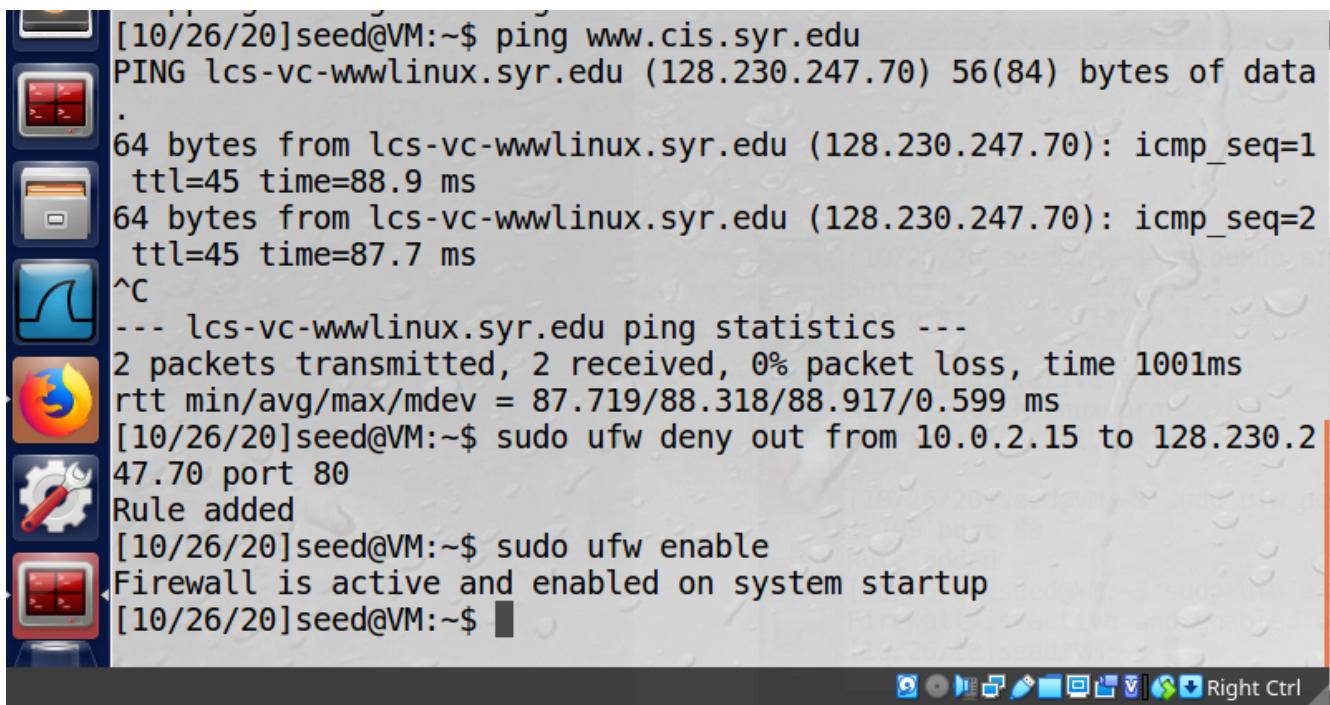
The rule from Machine A successfully prevented the same connection from Machine B. Now Machine A will prevent itself from being able to telnet into Machine B:

The screenshot shows a Linux desktop environment with a terminal window open. The terminal window title is '/bin/bash' and its content is as follows:

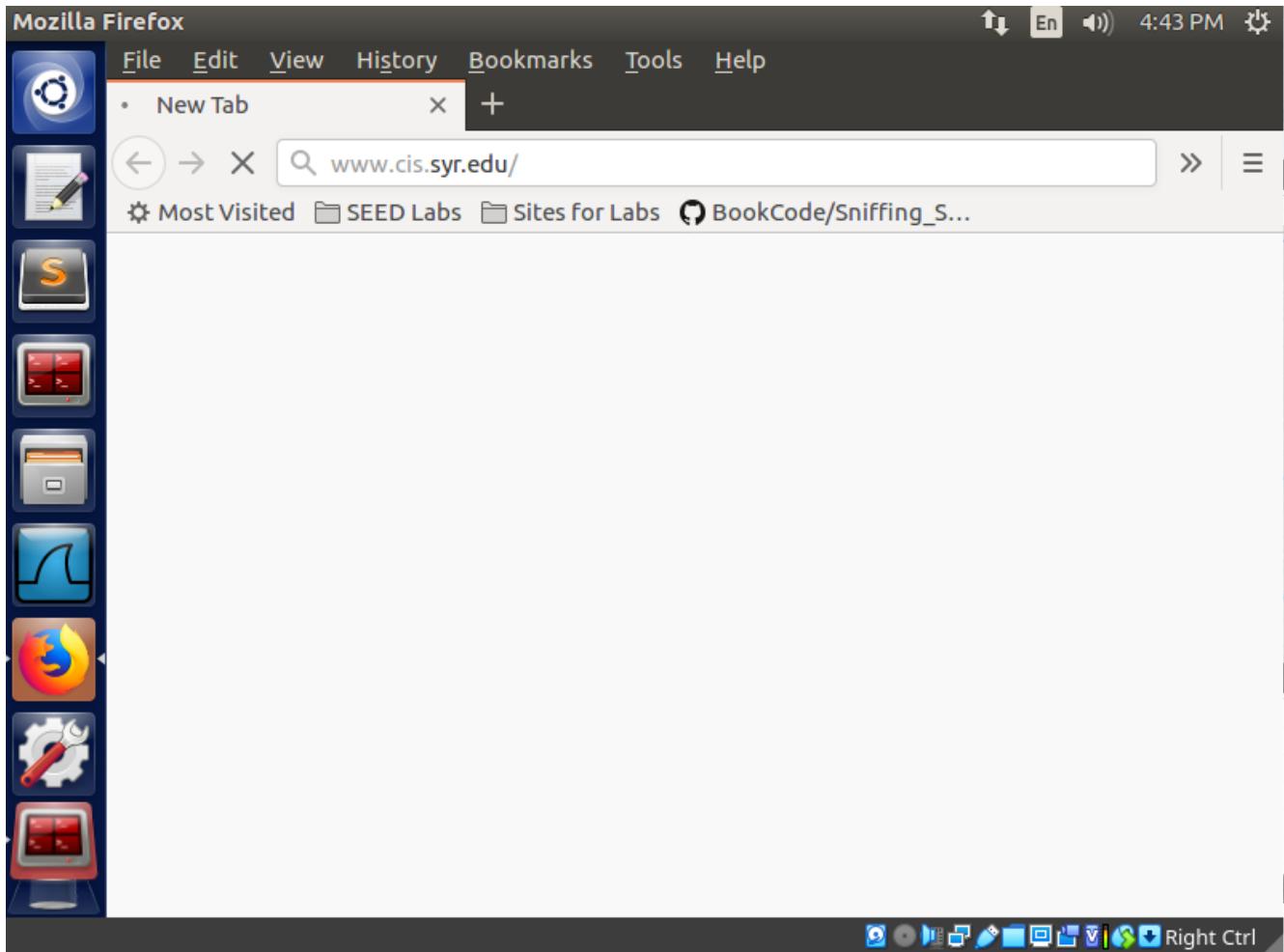
```
inet addr:127.0.0.1 Mask:255.0.0.0
inet6 addr: ::1/128 Scope:Host
      UP LOOPBACK RUNNING MTU:65536 Metric:1
      RX packets:204 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
      TX packets:204 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
      collisions:0 txqueuelen:1
      RX bytes:38222 (38.2 KB) TX bytes:38222 (38.2 KB)

[10/26/20]seed@VM:~$ sudo ufw deny in from 10.0.2.4 to 10.0.2.15 p
ort 23
Rules updated
[10/26/20]seed@VM:~$ sudo ufw enable
Firewall is active and enabled on system startup
[10/26/20]seed@VM:~$ sudo ufw deny out from 10.0.2.15 to 10.0.2.4
port 23
Rule added
[10/26/20]seed@VM:~$ sudo ufw enable
Firewall is active and enabled on system startup
[10/26/20]seed@VM:~$ telnet 10.0.2.4
Trying 10.0.2.4...
^C
[10/26/20]seed@VM:~$
```

Finally, I will prevent A from visiting an external website (Syracuse server). First, a successful ping to the page to get the IP address, then a new rule added, and finally the successful block:



[10/26/20]seed@VM:~\$ ping www.cis.syr.edu  
PING lcs-vc-wwwlinux.syr.edu (128.230.247.70) 56(84) bytes of data  
.  
64 bytes from lcs-vc-wwwlinux.syr.edu (128.230.247.70): icmp\_seq=1  
ttl=45 time=88.9 ms  
64 bytes from lcs-vc-wwwlinux.syr.edu (128.230.247.70): icmp\_seq=2  
ttl=45 time=87.7 ms  
^C  
--- lcs-vc-wwwlinux.syr.edu ping statistics ---  
2 packets transmitted, 2 received, 0% packet loss, time 1001ms  
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 87.719/88.318/88.917/0.599 ms  
[10/26/20]seed@VM:~\$ sudo ufw deny out from 10.0.2.15 to 128.230.2  
47.70 port 80  
Rule added  
[10/26/20]seed@VM:~\$ sudo ufw enable  
Firewall is active and enabled on system startup  
[10/26/20]seed@VM:~\$



The site will never load now, it just sits here. Note that after this, I ran “sudo ufw reset” to remove the previously set firewalls. I will most likely forget they are there otherwise.

## Task 2: Implementing a Simple Firewall

To implement a firewall, I’m using code from the book and modifying to capture more scenarios. It is compiled with “make” and I’m using the standard Makefile provided. The code:

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Makefile Filter.c

```

1 #include <linux/kernel.h>
2 #include <linux/module.h>
3 #include <linux/netfilter.h>
4 #include <linux/netfilter_ipv4.h>
5 #include <linux/ip.h>
6 #include <linux/tcp.h>
7
8 static struct nf_hook_ops telnetFilterHook;
9
10 unsigned int dropPacketTo(const struct iphdr *iph){
11     printk(KERN_INFO "Dropping packet to %d.%d.%d.%d\n",
12           ((unsigned char *)&iph->daddr)[0],
13           ((unsigned char *)&iph->daddr)[1],
14           ((unsigned char *)&iph->daddr)[2],
15           ((unsigned char *)&iph->daddr)[3]);
16     return NF_DROP;
17 }
18
19
20 unsigned int dropPacketFrom(const struct iphdr *iph){
21     printk(KERN_INFO "Dropping packet from %d.%d.%d.%d\n",
22           ((unsigned char *)&iph->saddr)[0],
23           ((unsigned char *)&iph->saddr)[1],
24           ((unsigned char *)&iph->saddr)[2],
25           ((unsigned char *)&iph->saddr)[3]);
26     return NF_DROP;
27 }
28
29
30 unsigned int telnetFilter(void *priv, struct sk_buff *skb,
31                         const struct nf_hook_state *state)
32 {
33     struct iphdr *iph;
34     struct tcphdr *tcph;
35
36     iph = ip_hdr(skb);
37     tcph = (void *)iph+iph->ihl*4;
38
39     if (iph->protocol == IPPROTO_TCP && tcph->dest == htons(23)) {
40         dropPacketTo(iph);
41     }else if (iph->protocol == IPPROTO_TCP && tcph->source == htons(23)) {
42         dropPacketFrom(iph);
43     }else if(tcph->dest==htons(80)){
44         dropPacketTo(iph);
45     } else if(tcph->dest==htons(443)){
46         dropPacketFrom(iph);
47     }else if(iph->protocol==IPPROTO_ICMP){
48         dropPacketFrom(iph);
49     }
50     else {
51         return NF_ACCEPT;
52     }
53 }
54
55
56 int setUpFilter(void) {
57     printk(KERN_INFO "Registering a Telnet filter.\n");
58     telnetFilterHook.hook = telnetFilter;
59     telnetFilterHook.hooknum = NF_INET_POST_ROUTING;
60     telnetFilterHook(pf = PF_INET;
61     telnetFilterHook.priority = NF_IP_PRI_FIRST;
62
63     // Register the hook.
64     nf_register_hook(&telnetFilterHook);
65     return 0;
66 }
67

```

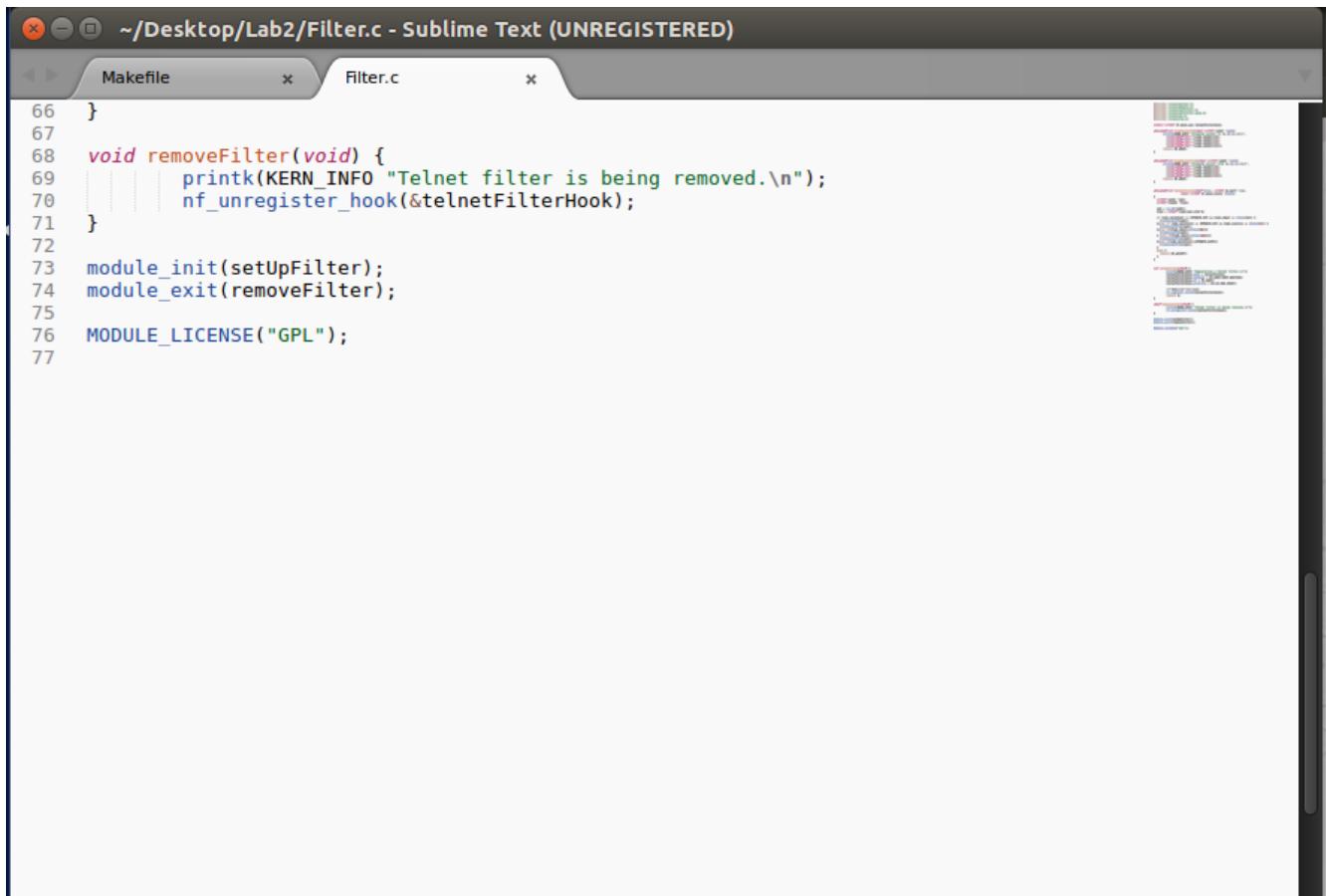
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```

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63     // Register the hook.
64     nf_register_hook(&telnetFilterHook);
65     return 0;
66 }
67

```



A screenshot of the Sublime Text editor interface. The title bar says "~/Desktop/Lab2/Filter.c - Sublime Text (UNREGISTERED)". Below the title bar are two tabs: "Makefile" and "Filter.c". The main code editor area contains the following C code:

```

66 }
67
68 void removeFilter(void) {
69     printk(KERN_INFO "Telnet filter is being removed.\n");
70     nf_unregister_hook(&telnetFilterHook);
71 }
72
73 module_init(setUpFilter);
74 module_exit(removeFilter);
75
76 MODULE_LICENSE("GPL");
77

```

To run, the code is invoked with “insmod” and stopped with “rmmod”. I first ping 8.8.8.8 and note no issues. Then run the code, and now the ping requests do not go through:

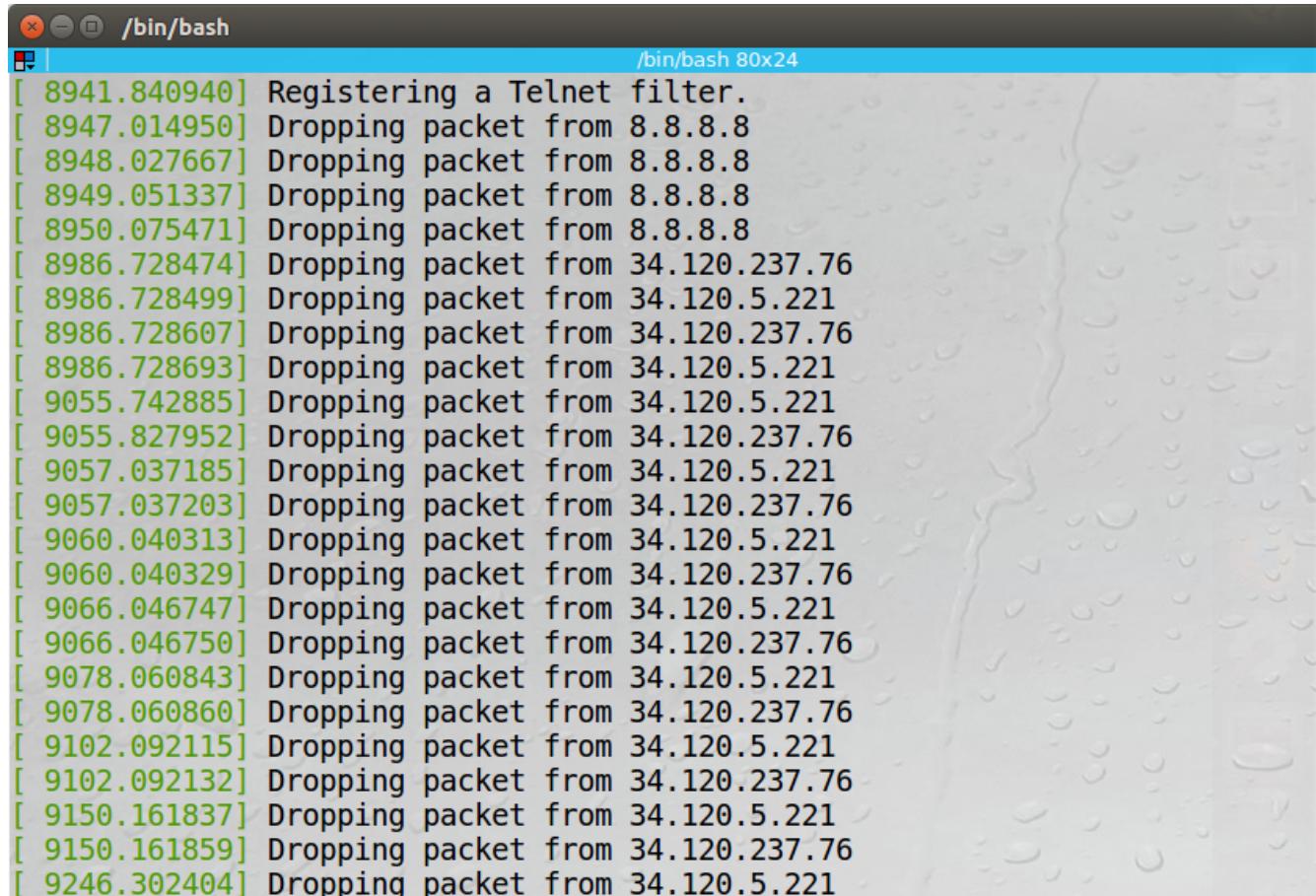
```

[10/27/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab2$ ping 8.8.8.8
PING 8.8.8.8 (8.8.8.8) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from 8.8.8.8: icmp_seq=1 ttl=114 time=11.9 ms
64 bytes from 8.8.8.8: icmp_seq=2 ttl=114 time=9.49 ms
^C
--- 8.8.8.8 ping statistics ---
2 packets transmitted, 2 received, 0% packet loss, time 1001ms
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 9.498/10.744/11.990/1.246 ms
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab2$ sudo insmod Filter.ko
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab2$ ping 8.8.8.8
PING 8.8.8.8 (8.8.8.8) 56(84) bytes of data.
^C
--- 8.8.8.8 ping statistics ---
4 packets transmitted, 0 received, 100% packet loss, time 3060ms

[10/27/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab2$ █

```

Finally, the dmesg output showing the packets being dropped. Note that after pinging 8.8.8.8 I tried to load google.com, and you can see the packets there were also dropped (the webpage timed out in the browser):



```
[ 8941.840940] Registering a Telnet filter.  
[ 8947.014950] Dropping packet from 8.8.8.8  
[ 8948.027667] Dropping packet from 8.8.8.8  
[ 8949.051337] Dropping packet from 8.8.8.8  
[ 8950.075471] Dropping packet from 8.8.8.8  
[ 8986.728474] Dropping packet from 34.120.237.76  
[ 8986.728499] Dropping packet from 34.120.5.221  
[ 8986.728607] Dropping packet from 34.120.237.76  
[ 8986.728693] Dropping packet from 34.120.5.221  
[ 9055.742885] Dropping packet from 34.120.5.221  
[ 9055.827952] Dropping packet from 34.120.237.76  
[ 9057.037185] Dropping packet from 34.120.5.221  
[ 9057.037203] Dropping packet from 34.120.237.76  
[ 9060.040313] Dropping packet from 34.120.5.221  
[ 9060.040329] Dropping packet from 34.120.237.76  
[ 9066.046747] Dropping packet from 34.120.5.221  
[ 9066.046750] Dropping packet from 34.120.237.76  
[ 9078.060843] Dropping packet from 34.120.5.221  
[ 9078.060860] Dropping packet from 34.120.237.76  
[ 9102.092115] Dropping packet from 34.120.5.221  
[ 9102.092132] Dropping packet from 34.120.237.76  
[ 9150.161837] Dropping packet from 34.120.5.221  
[ 9150.161859] Dropping packet from 34.120.237.76  
[ 9246.302404] Dropping packet from 34.120.5.221
```

### Task 3a: Evading Egress Filtering

I am going to add the firewall on VM A. Note that I removed the rules at the end of Task 1. First, I reinstate them, then show that they are active (VM A is 10.0.2.15) and that VM A cannot telnet to VM B (10.0.2.4):

```
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab2$ sudo ufw deny out from 10.0.2.15 to any port 23
Rule added
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab2$ sudo ufw deny out from 10.0.2.15 to 31.13.65.36
Rule added
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab2$ sudo ufw enable
Firewall is active and enabled on system startup
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab2$ sudo ufw status numbered
Status: active

      To          Action    From
      --          -----   -----
[ 1] 23           DENY OUT   10.0.2.15          (out)
[ 2] 31.13.65.36  DENY OUT   10.0.2.15          (out)

[10/27/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab2$ telnet 10.0.2.4
Trying 10.0.2.4...
^C
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab2$ █
```

Next, I build an SSH Tunnel from VM A to VM C (10.0.2.5):

```
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab2$ telnet 10.0.2.4
Trying 10.0.2.4...
^C
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~/.../Lab2$ ssh -L 8000:10.0.2.5:23 seed@10.0.2.4
The authenticity of host '10.0.2.4 (10.0.2.4)' can't be established.
ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:plzAio6c1bI+8HDp5xa+eKRi561aFDaPE1/xqleYzCI.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added '10.0.2.4' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts.
seed@10.0.2.4's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 16.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.8.0-36-generic i686)

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applicable law.

[10/27/20]seed@VM:~$ █
```

Finally, I open a second terminal window on VM A and telnet into machine B (via the localhost, provided by C):

```
/bin/bash
[10/27/20]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:
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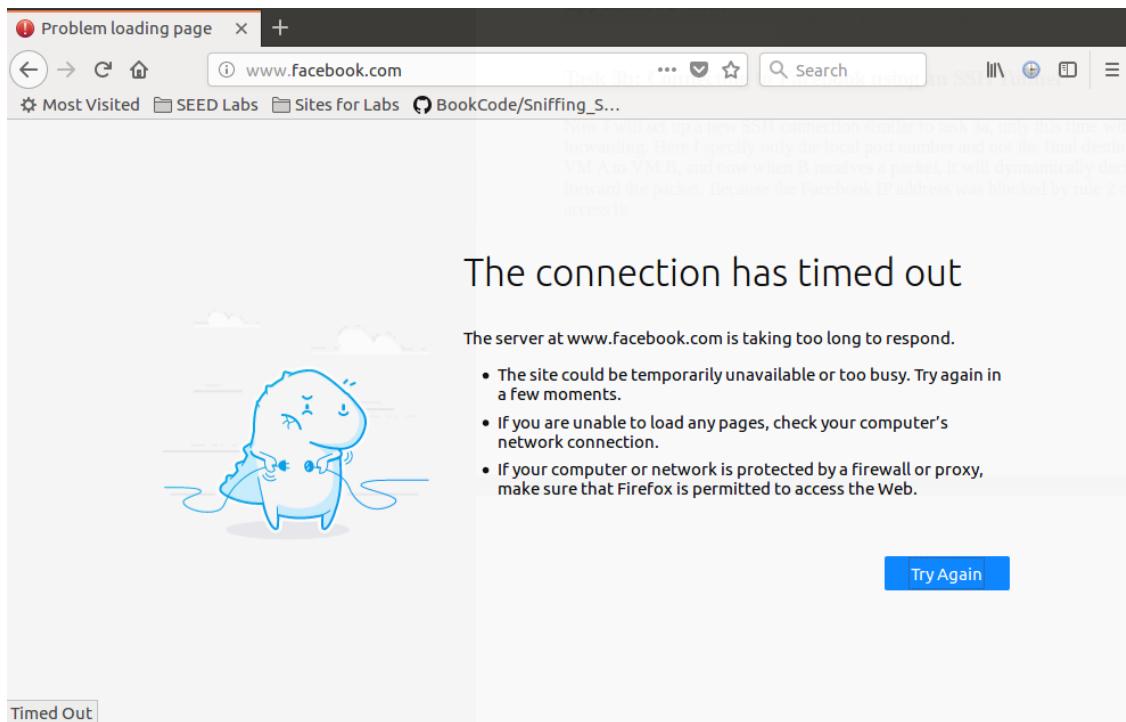
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### Task 3b: Connecting to Facebook using an SSH Tunnel

Now I will set up a new SSH connection similar to task 3a, only this time with dynamic port forwarding. Here I specify only the local port number and not the final destination. I will SSH from VM A to VM B, and now when B receives a packet, it will dynamically decide where it should forward the packet. Because the Facebook IP address was blocked by rule 2 of my firewall, we cannot access it:



Next, the SSH connection from VM A to VM B:

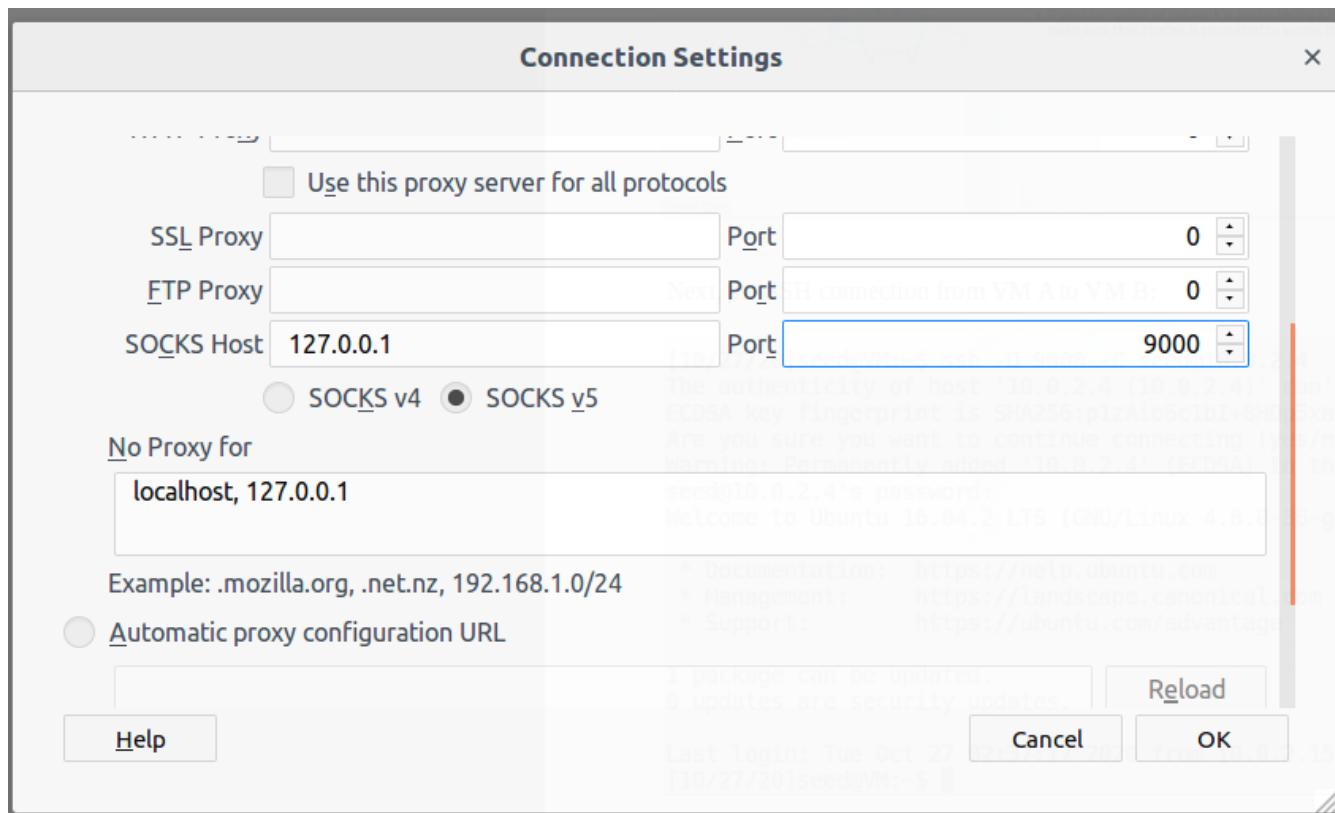
```
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~$ ssh -D 9000 -C seed@10.0.2.4
The authenticity of host '10.0.2.4 (10.0.2.4)' can't be established.
ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:plzAio6c1bI+8HDp5xa+eKRi561aFDaPE1/xq1eYzCI.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added '10.0.2.4' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts.
seed@10.0.2.4's password:
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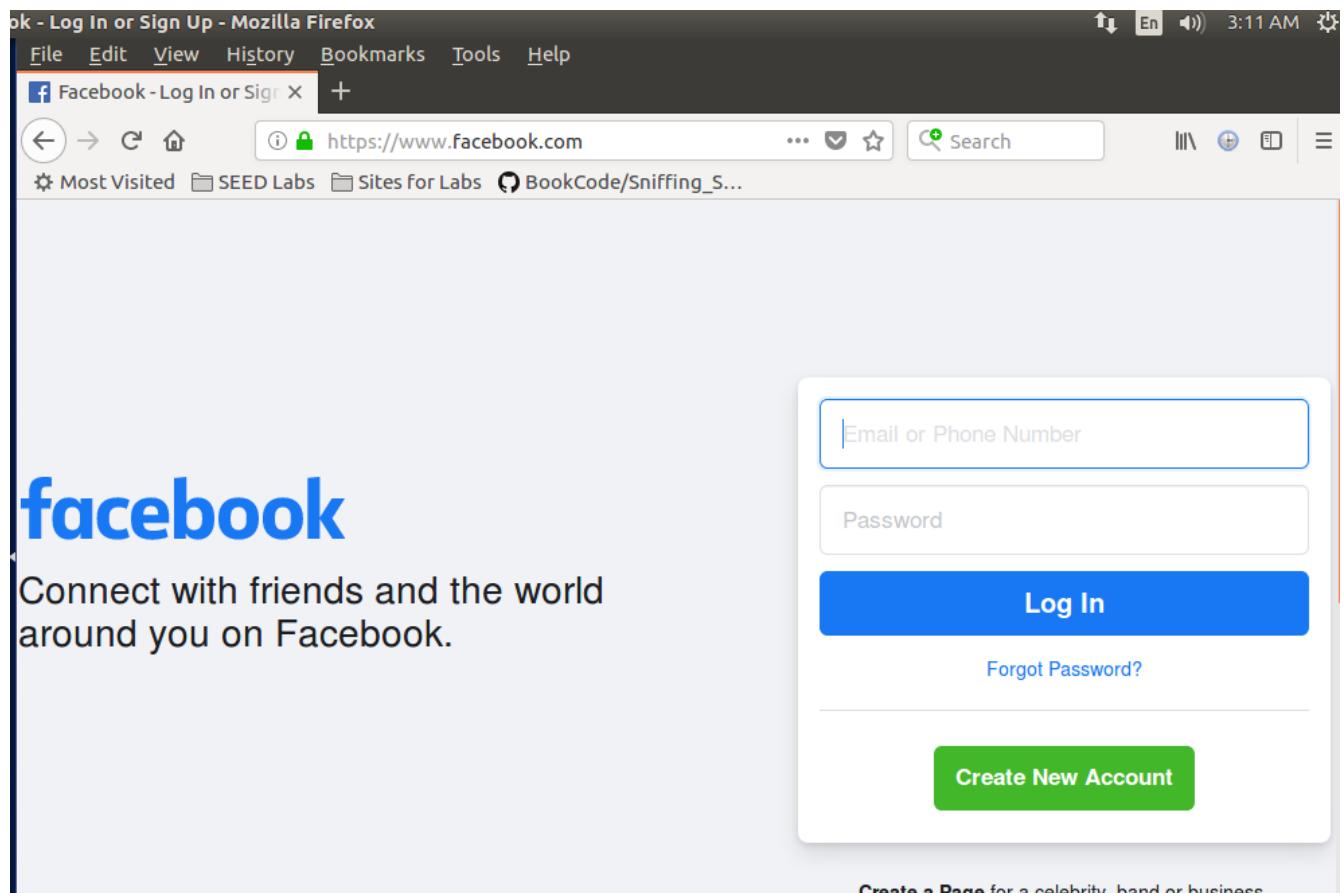
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Last login: Tue Oct 27 02:37:17 2020 from 10.0.2.15
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~$
```

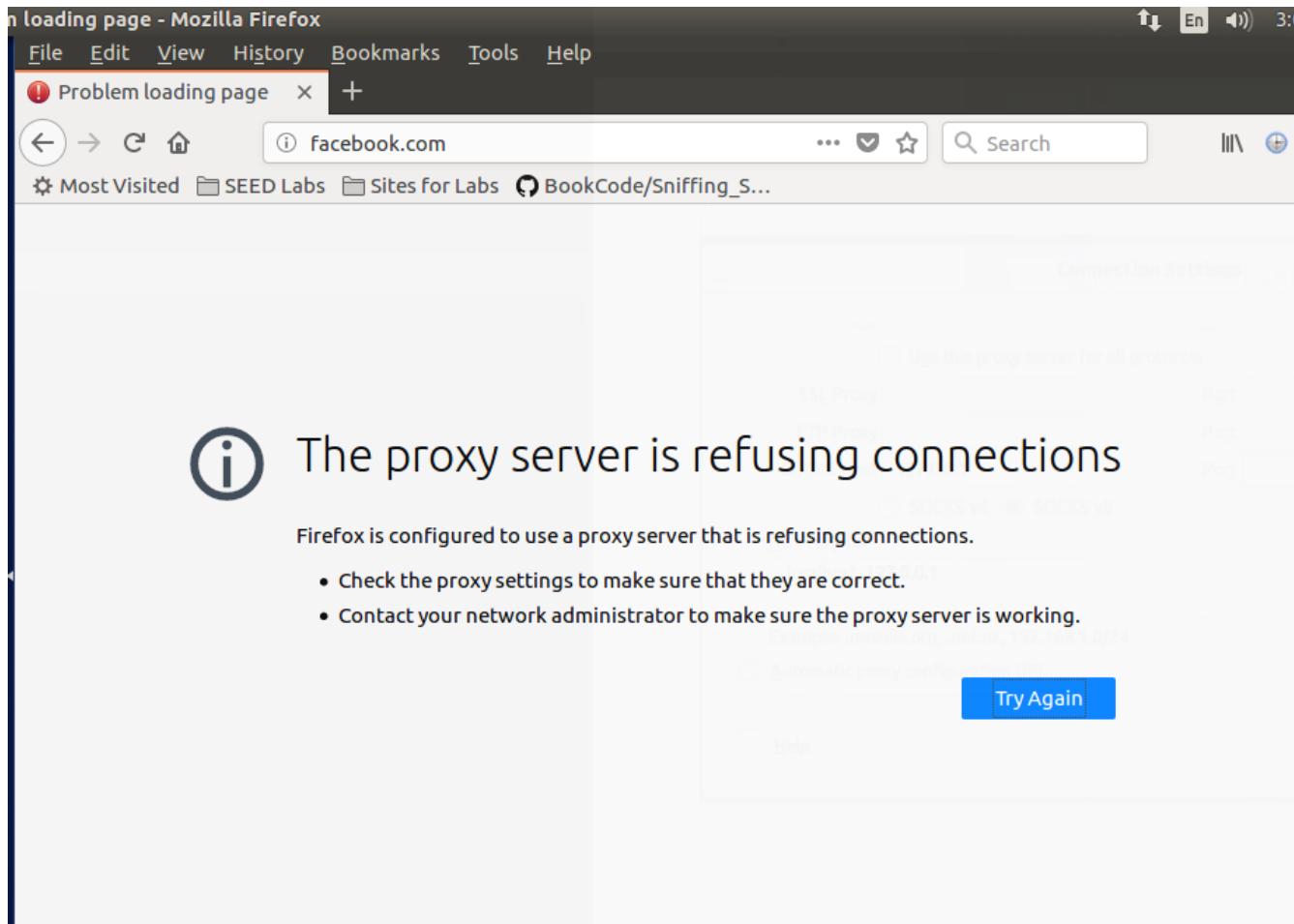
Once the connection is established, we force Firefox to connect to localhost:9000, which allows traffic from VM A to be transferred through the SSH tunnel to VM B. Firefox proxy:



After establishing the tunnel:



And after breaking the tunnel, we lose access again:



To recap, after adding the firewall to VM A, it could no longer telnet or access Facebook (as identified by a specific IP address). Creating an SSH tunnel to a third VM, which did not have a firewall restriction, allowed access to the target second VM. As for Facebook, dynamically forwarding the ports to the second VM (which again, did not have any restrictions) allowed access to the server via an SSH tunnel.

## Task 4: Evading Ingress Filtering

Now I will set up a firewall blocking VM B from accessing VM A through port 80 and 22. See firewall from VM A:

```
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~$ sudo ufw deny in from 10.0.2.4 to 10.0.2.15 port 80
Rules updated
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~$ sudo ufw deny in from 10.0.2.4 to 10.0.2.15 port 22
Rules updated
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~$ sudo ufw enable
Command may disrupt existing ssh connections. Proceed with operation (y|n)? y
Firewall is active and enabled on system startup
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~$ sudo ufw status numbered
Status: active

      To          Action    From
      --          -----   ---
[ 1] 10.0.2.15 80    DENY IN    10.0.2.4
[ 2] 10.0.2.15 22    DENY IN    10.0.2.4

[10/27/20]seed@VM:~$ █
```

Note the existing SSH connection from the previous section was interrupted. To confirm, a new (failed) ping attempt from VM B to VM A:

```
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~$ ping 10.0.2.15
PING 10.0.2.15 (10.0.2.15) 56(84) bytes of data.
^C
--- 10.0.2.15 ping statistics ---
4 packets transmitted, 0 received, 100% packet loss, time 3075ms

[10/27/20]seed@VM:~$ █
```

To bypass, we will use a reverse SSH tunnel from VM A to VM B, and then try the SSH again. First, the reverse SSH to an unallocated port 19999:

```
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~$ ssh -R 19999:localhost:22 seed@10.0.2.4
seed@10.0.2.4's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 16.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.8.0-36-generic i686)

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Last login: Tue Oct 27 03:36:33 2020 from 10.0.2.4
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~$
```

And finally, from VM B, a successful SSH back into VM A using the local host and specified port:

```
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~$ ssh localhost -p 19999
The authenticity of host '[localhost]:19999 ([127.0.0.1]:19999)' can't be established.
ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:p1zAio6c1bI+8HDp5xa+eKRi561aFDaPE1/xq1eYzCI.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added '[localhost]:19999' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts

seed@localhost's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 16.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.8.0-36-generic i686)

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Last login: Tue Oct 27 03:48:01 2020 from 10.0.2.4
[10/27/20]seed@VM:~$
```