

Lab 3

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As usual, scripts are named and put under the corresponding task folder

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This task is to test if the DNS setup was done correctly

`dig ns.attacker32.com` and `dig www.example.com` shows that the user got his answer from the local dns server.

```
root@ble0e54caaaa:/# dig www.example.com
```

```
; <<>> DiG 9.16.1-Ubuntu <<>> www.example.com
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 50459
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
; COOKIE: 0da254e130fa8211010000006523ab6b78ae6e2b34ca70f4 (good)
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;www.example.com.                IN      A

;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.example.com.                86400   IN      A      93.184.216.34

;; Query time: 1791 msec
;; SERVER: 10.9.0.53#53(10.9.0.53)
;; WHEN: Mon Oct 09 07:27:39 UTC 2023
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 88
```

USER

root@ble0e54caaaa:/# dig ns.attacker32.com

```
; <<>> DiG 9.16.1-Ubuntu <<>> ns.attacker32.com
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 26183
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
; COOKIE: 0c9c30260687a0bd010000006523ab2a9953323e1627fa32 (good)
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;ns.attacker32.com.                IN      A

;; ANSWER SECTION:
ns.attacker32.com.                259200  IN      A      10.9.0.153

;; Query time: 3 msec
;; SERVER: 10.9.0.53#53(10.9.0.53)
;; WHEN: Mon Oct 09 07:26:34 UTC 2023
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 90
```

But when we use the @ option, the IP of the dns server becomes 10.9.0.153.

root@ble0e54caaaa:/# dig @ns.attacker32.com www.example.com

```
; <<>> DiG 9.16.1-Ubuntu <<>> @ns.attacker32.com www.example.com
; (1 server found)
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 17256
;; flags: qr aa rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
; COOKIE: 511efa3119187d6b010000006523abb54a6cc0b3422f077b (good)
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;www.example.com.                IN      A

;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.example.com.                259200  IN      A      1.2.3.5

;; Query time: 0 msec
;; SERVER: 10.9.0.153#53(10.9.0.153)
;; WHEN: Mon Oct 09 07:28:53 UTC 2023
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 88
```

So the purpose of this attack is to route all user queries through 10.9.0.153 instead of 10.9.0.53, in this case, cause the IP in the answer section to become 1.2.3.5 when the user queries www.example.com

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dst IP = 10.9.0.53 (local DNS server we want to target IP)

src IP = 10.9.0.5 (user's IP)

UDP dport = 53 as it is the DNS port

UDP sport = 35573, it was taken from a packet captured on Wireshark, but can also be any random number generated by the user machine

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	2023-10-09 04:4...	02:42:c4:83:d2:bc	Broadcast	ARP	42	Who has 10.9.0.53? Tell 10.9.0.1
2	2023-10-09 04:4...	02:42:0a:09:00:35	02:42:c4:83:d2:bc	ARP	42	10.9.0.53 is at 02:42:0a:09:00:35
3	2023-10-09 04:4...	10.9.0.5	10.9.0.53	DNS	75	Standard query 0xaaaa A www.example.com
4	2023-10-09 04:4...	10.9.0.53	10.9.0.5	DNS	91	Standard query response 0xaaaa A www.example.com
5	2023-10-09 04:4...	10.9.0.5	10.9.0.53	ICMP	119	Destination unreachable (Port unreachable)

Frame 4: 91 bytes on wire (728 bits), 91 bytes captured (728 bits) on interface br-36b25ed802f2, id 0
Ethernet II, Src: 02:42:0a:09:00:35 (02:42:0a:09:00:35), Dst: 02:42:0a:09:00:05 (02:42:0a:09:00:05)
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 10.9.0.53, Dst: 10.9.0.5
User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 53, Dst Port: 35573
Domain Name System (response)
Transaction ID: 0xaaaa
Flags: 0x8180 Standard query response, No error
Questions: 1
Answer RRs: 1
Authority RRs: 0
Additional RRs: 0

The packets from Wireshark shows that there is no error in our request and it prompted a response.

There is an extra packet that says "port unreachable" as the src machine was not listening for any message on that port, which was the case since the request was sent by the attacker.

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name = www.example.com since we want to give fake DNS records from that domain

domain = example.com as implied from the name,

ns = ns.attacker32.com (attacker's nameserver) as we are spoofing a reply

The reply should be the opposite of a DNS request, UDP dport and sport are swapped,

dst IP = 10.9.0.5 (user's IP), src IP = 93.184.216.34 (www.example.com)

1	2023-10-09 06:4...	02:42:13:b5:4a:0f	Broadcast	ARP	42 Who has 10.9.0.5? Tell 10.9.0.1
2	2023-10-09 06:4...	02:42:0a:09:00:05	02:42:13:b5:4a:0f	ARP	42 10.9.0.5 is at 02:42:0a:09:00:05
3	2023-10-09 06:4...	93.184.216.34	10.9.0.5	DNS	148 Standard query response 0xaaaa A www.example.com
4	2023-10-09 06:4...	10.9.0.5	93.184.216.34	ICMP	176 Destination unreachable (Port unreachable)
5	2023-10-09 06:4...	02:42:0a:09:00:05	02:42:13:b5:4a:0f	ARP	42 Who has 10.9.0.1? Tell 10.9.0.5
6	2023-10-09 06:4...	02:42:13:b5:4a:0f	02:42:0a:09:00:05	ARP	42 10.9.0.1 is at 02:42:13:b5:4a:0f

After sending the spoofed response, Wireshark was able to capture the packet sent from www.example.com to the user IP

Again, the port is unreachable as the user was not listening on the port since the machine did not make any DNS request

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generate_dns_request:

src=10.9.0.5, dst=10.9.0.53, to create fake requests coming from 10.9.0.5 to its local-dns-server sport=355753, dport=53, sport can be any number, so I reused it. dport has to be 53 since DNS uses it

generate_dns_reply:

used `dig www.example.com +trace`, to see the route taken by the query, found that the nameserver responsible for www.example.com is `a.iana-servers.net`, IP=199.43.135.53.

```
www.example.com.      86400   IN      A       93.184.216.34
www.example.com.      86400   IN      RRSIG   A 13 3 86400 20231028192921 202310071
22139 37939 example.com. xKH5bdt6acTLeoq5Ns80Uq23kg29LAXEPSRrk9AME91rJFmVGXwH/TTn RR7
Zd40h7wCA75GHFfYvLcEm+MuIvA==
;; Received 167 bytes from 199.43.135.53#53(a.iana-servers.net) in 211 ms
```

Constructing a response packet is the same as in task 3, we have to swap the src and dst port number as well as their IP in the request packet

So, src=199.43.135.53 (IP of nameserver), dst=10.9.0.53, to create fake dns response from the TLD to the local dns server

sport=53 (same reason as above), dport=33333 as given in the configuration file

To run the attack script `attack.c`, the python codes to generate dns request and response have to create binary files with the specific query details. After which, compile `attack.c` to an output file `attack`, which will take in the binary files and start flooding the user's local-dns-server.

To increase the success rate, we have to send more packets with different transaction ids. I implemented the attack to send all possible tid (16 bits = 65535) for the same response packet. Base code was taken from the guidelines section in the lab instructions.

```
root@3529710ade13:/# rndc dumpdb -cache && grep attacker /var/cache/bind/dump.db
example.com.          777598  NS      ns.attacker32.com.
```

By running `rndc dumpdb -cache && grep attacker /var/cache/bin/dump.db`, we dumped the cache into `dump.db` file and extracted entries with the `attacker` substring. This output shows that our attack is successful.

However, this attack will only work for records that are not in the DNS cache of the user's machine. Otherwise, we will have to wait for the records to expire after their TTL becomes 0.

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The results of `dig www.example.com` and `dig @ns.attacker32.com www.example.com` are the same, which implies the attack was successful as the queries for `example.com` will go through the attacker's nameserver, and return a 1.2.3.5 IP in the answer section.

```
; <<>> DiG 9.16.1-Ubuntu <<>> www.example.com
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 63243
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
; COOKIE: 5bfb3ac51e91ca96010000006526343ee3afee6c6f4e4b0d (good)
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;www.example.com.                IN      A

;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.example.com.                259200  IN      A      1.2.3.5

;; Query time: 8 msec
;; SERVER: 10.9.0.53#53(10.9.0.53)
;; WHEN: Wed Oct 11 05:35:58 UTC 2023
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 88
```

```
root@3774d6e1bb03:/# dig @ns.attacker32.com www.example.com
```

```
; <<>> DiG 9.16.1-Ubuntu <<>> @ns.attacker32.com www.example.com
; (1 server found)
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 30230
;; flags: qr aa rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
; COOKIE: 8c518e5ab7f354a701000000065263476a72a9e8ad9713940 (good)
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;www.example.com.                IN      A

;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.example.com.                259200  IN      A      1.2.3.5

;; Query time: 0 msec
;; SERVER: 10.9.0.153#53(10.9.0.153)
;; WHEN: Wed Oct 11 05:36:54 UTC 2023
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 88
```