

UNIVERSITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK Faculty of Computer Science Network Security (CS4415-CS6415) – Winter 2022 Hands-on 9 – Denial of Service (DoS) Attack Dr. Arash Habibi Lashkari / Dr. Hassan Mahdikhani



Instructions: Turn on the Victim-Windows VM and find the IP (192.168.1.2)

Running Webserver on Victim-Windows:

To create a Web server, we are going to use the XAMPP and configure it with Apache service.

Instructions: Go to the Victim-Windows VM and be sure that firewall is off

- 1. Download the XAMPP from D2L (Rename to .exe)
 - → Note: use "rename" command in cmd window.
- 2. Install the XAMPP
- 3. Install Apache and start it
- Check the webserver by opening the web browser (Internet Explorer) and type http://localhost
 to make sure that web server is running

Visiting website: User from another machine (Victim-Ubuntu VM) will visit the main page of the webserver

Instructions: Turn on the Victim-Ubuntu VM:

Open web browser (Firefox web browser) and type http://192.168.1.2

Question: How can conduct the DoS attack on the webserver.

Instructions: Turn on the Attacker-Kali VM:

Download slowloris and extract it

cd sslowloris

perl slowloris -dns 192.168.1.2

Server is up or down?

Instructions: On the Victim-Ubuntu VM:

 Check the webserver of Victim-Windows VM http://192.168.1.2

* Try to monitor the network traffic on the Victim-Windows VM during the attack time using tcpdump

Extra Activities:

How can you be sure that the web-server (192.168.1.2) is available? How many connections the attacker opened for this attack? How can make the web service unavailable just to the malicious user?