

Becoming a Hacker – Part 1

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== Short Introduction ==

I live in Romania so my English is not that good, but I hope you'll understand my tutorials. If you don't I'm sorry, try reading again. "Becoming a Hacker" will be hopefully very interesting for would-be hackers, network admins, and hackers that want to improve themselves. I don't take any responsibility for bla bla bla... you know it. Let's start hacking.

== The OS ==

Are you on Linux? If the answer was “yes” then I might also ask... do you really know how to use it? Can you write a bash script? It doesn't really matter the operating system you're working with, what's important is that you really know how to use it. If you're not that good then improve yourself by reading about it. If you're good, skip this chapter.

In case you don't have Linux installed on your machine choose a Linux distribution and install it. A Unix-like operating system using the Linux kernel¹ is called a “distro” (Linux distribution). You have lots of distros to choose from:

- Fedora Core (<http://fedora.redhat.com/>)
- Mandriva (<http://www.mandriva.com/>)
- Debian (<http://www.debian.org/>)
- Suse (<http://www.opensuse.org/>)
- Slackware (<http://www.slackware.com/>)
- Ubuntu (<http://www.ubuntulinux.org/>)
- Gentoo (<http://www.gentoo.org/>)
- MEPIS (<http://www.mepis.org/>) etc.

You can also use other operating systems very similar to Linux like the ones derived from BSD² (FreeBSD, OpenBSD and NetBSD) or like those derived from UNIX³ or its successors (Solaris, HP-UX, IBM AIX etc.).

You can even use Windows if you're too familiar with it and you can't give up programs like Winamp and Windows Media Player. Windows was your choice? Well, then here's what you'll have to do:

1. Install VMware Workstation (www.vmware.com), which is virtualization software that will allow you to run other operating systems from Windows.
2. Install a distro on your VMware machine.
3. Alt-tab to it whenever you need Linux (most of the time).

You can also properly install Linux and then set up a boot menu from which to choose whatever OS you want to boot (recommended if you're a novice).

In case you have root access on a remote UNIX box, you may keep just windows installed on your system and use putty to connect to that server, which you'll use to develop your hacking skills further.

It doesn't really matter what way you will choose, what's important is that you have Linux if you're a starter in hacking. Then learn how to operate it. All the Linux screenshots you'll see in this tutorial are made in Ubuntu; I have it running on VMware.

¹ The kernel is the fundamental part of the operating system. Every OS is built on a kernel. It's a piece of software responsible for allocating hardware resources to the applications and many other basic stuff like that

² Berkeley Software Distribution refers to a particular version of the Unix operating system that was developed and distributed from the University of California at Berkeley long time ago

³ An operating system that originated at Bell Labs, 1969. It was a multi-user and multi-tasking operating system, with TCP/IP built-in, the first OS to be written in the C programming language.

== Understanding TCP/IP ==

You can't be a hacker without knowing at least some basic stuff about TCP/IP. I'm gonna help you understand its basics, but this chapter is no substitute for a real book on the subject. I'd recommend "TCP/IP Tutorial and Technical Overview" – By Adolfo Rodriguez, John Gattrell, John Karas and Roland Peschke. You can download it from here:

<http://www.absolom.ro/index.php?name=Sections&req=viewarticle&artid=7&page=1>

TCP/IP stands for Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol. It is a suite of communication protocols used to interconnect computers/devices on a network, used as a standard for the Internet and most of the private networks. Like most network protocols, TCP/IP is layered. Each layer builds upon a layer below it, adding new functionality. The lowest level protocol is concerned purely with the operation of sending and receiving raw data using available network hardware. At the top are protocols designed specifically for tasks like transferring files and delivering email. In between are levels concerned with things like routing and reliability. The main benefit that a layered protocol stack offers is that if you create a new network application or a new type of hardware, you only need to create a protocol for that application/hardware; you don't need to rewrite the whole stack. TCP/IP is modeled in four layers:

Application Layer: this is provided by the program that uses TCP/IP for communication. Examples: FTP, HTTP, SMTP...

Transport Layer: provides the end-to-end data transfer by delivering data from an application to a remote peer. The most used transport layer protocol is TCP, this being one of the reasons that lead to the entire protocols suite being called TCP/IP. The other transport layer protocol is UDP (User Datagram Protocol). TCP provides connection-oriented reliable data delivery, duplicate data suppression, congestion control and flow control, unlike UDP, which provides connectionless, unreliable but faster service. Applications using UDP will have to implement their own end-to-end integrity, flow control and congestion control, if it is desired. Usually, UDP is used by applications that need a fast transport protocol and can tolerate the loss of some data. For example: audio and video streams.

Network Layer: also called the internet layer or the internetwork layer. The best example here is the Internet Protocol (IP) which is the most important protocol in this layer, again one of the reasons for calling the entire suite of protocols TCP/IP. IP is a connectionless protocol that doesn't provide reliability, flow control, or error recovery. These functions must be provided at a higher or a lower level. IP provides a routing function that attempts to deliver transmitted messages to their destination. A message unit in an IP network is called an IP datagram. This is the basic unit of information transmitted across TCP/IP networks. Other network layer protocols are ICMP, IGMP, ARP and RARP.

Link layer: also called the network interface layer or the data-link layer, is the interface to the actual network hardware. This interface may or may not provide reliable delivery, and may be packet or stream oriented. In fact, TCP/IP does not specify any protocol here, but can use almost any network

interface available, which illustrates the flexibility of the IP layer. Examples are Ethernet, FDDI¹, X.25 etc

Here's a list with link layer standards:

IEEE² 802.2 aka the Logic Link Protocol, used in LANS.

IEEE 802.5 aka the Token Ring LAN.

IEEE 802.3 (Ethernet) has largely replaced all the other standards like token ring or FDDI. Varieties of Ethernet: 10 Mb/s Ethernet, Fast Ethernet (100 Mb/s), Gigabit Ethernet (1000 Mb/s) and 10 Gigabit Ethernet.

FDDI supports data transmission on a fiber network medium at a rate of 100 Mbps. Usually used for joining LANs together.

X.25 is typically used in the packet-switched networks (PSN) of common carriers, such as the telephone companies.

IEEE 802.11 are the WLAN standards, for example WiFi licensed by the Wi-Fi Alliance.

IEEE 802.16 are BWA (Broadband Wireless Access) standards, for example WIMAX³.

IEEE 802.15.1 -> Bluetooth.

ATM (Asynchronous Transfer Mode) offers high bandwidth (up to 155 Mbps), controlled-delay, fixed-size packet switching and transmission integrating multiple data types (video, voice, data). Uses fixed-size 53 bytes packets also known as "cells" (is often referred to as "cell relay").

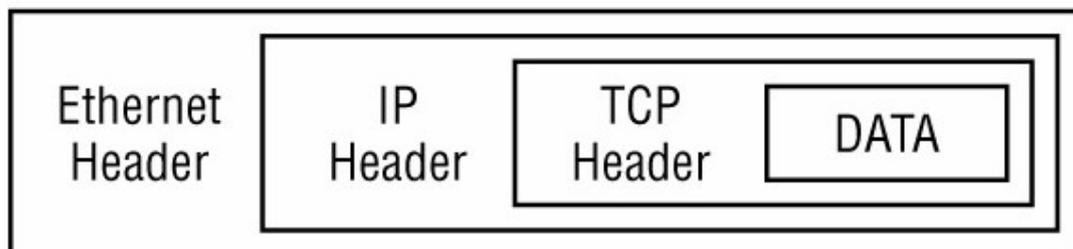
SNA (System Network Architecture) is IBM's proprietary networking architecture. Sadly this shit is still used extensively by banks and other financial transaction networks, as well as many government agencies.

PPP (Point to Point Protocol) can connect computers using serial cable, phone line, trunk line, cellular telephone, specialized radio links or fiber optic links. Is used by most of the internet service providers for dial-up access to the internet.

SLIP (Serial Line Internet Protocol) can connect computers over serial ports and modem connections. It has largely been replaced by PPP.

These link layer standards should be more than enough. This is how a network frame (synonym for network packet) will usually look:

Network Packet



¹ Fiber Distributed Data Interface

² Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers is a professional organization best known for setting transmission system standards.

³ Worldwide Interoperability for Microwave Access, provides high-throughput broadband connections over long distances

As you can see each layer adds a few bytes to the datagram. The application layer added the data (DATA), the transport layer added a TCP header (in this case the transport layer is TCP), the network layer added an IP header (in this case the network layer is IP) and finally, the link layer added an Ethernet header. If you want to have a better understanding of TCP/IP, install Ethereal.

<http://www.ethereal.com/>

This is a free network protocol analyzer for UNIX or Windows. It will allow you to capture packets received and sent by your computer in the network. You can interactively browse the captured data, viewing summary and detailed information about each packet, and that will give you a much better understanding of the network data flow. I leave that to you. Instead, I will briefly explain how TCP and UDP work.

UDP requires no connection to be made. It simply adds to the data a header with source port, destination port, length value and checksum. The IP (network layer) will add a header with source address, destination address etc then the link layer will add its header and the packet will be sent. Hopefully the datagram will arrive at its destination. No checking will be made.

This is how the UDP header (+ Data) looks like:

Source Port	Destination Port
Length	Checksum
Data...	

Source Port: Indicates the port of the sending process. It is the port to which replies should be addressed.

Destination Port: Specifies the port of the destination process on the remote host.

Length: The Length (in bytes) of this user datagram, including the header.

Checksum: The checksum of the data + the UDP header + a "pseudo header" containing IP Source Address, IP Destination Address, Protocol and UDP Length.

Here are some standard application layers that use UDP:

- Trivial File Transfer Protocol (TFTP)
- Domain Name System (DNS)
- Network File System (NFS)
- Remote Procedure Call (RPC)
- Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP)
- Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP)

TCP does much more than UDP. It first sets up a connection, and as I said before, it provides reliability, flow control and error correction. TCP is used by the most application layers. This is how a TCP header will look like:

Source Port				Destination Port				
Sequence Number								
Acknowledgment Number								
Data Offset	Reset	URG	ACK	PSH	RST	SYN	FIN	Window
Checksum				Urgent Pointer				
Options					Padding		
Data Bytes								

As you can see it's a lot more complicated than the UDP header. A TCP datagram can carry various options. The most important for us are the control bits (also called flags). You can see them in the above picture between the "Reset" and the "Window" fields. All the flags are given 2 possible values (a bit), 0 or 1. If the value is 1 we'll say that the is set. These are the possible flags:

- URG: urgent
- ACK: acknowledgement
- PSH: push
- RST: reset
- SYN: synchronize
- FIN: finish

When the application sends a TCP datagram it also expects an acknowledgement that it was received. If this doesn't come it will send the frame again. The acknowledgement will have the ACK flag set and a sequence number that will allow the server to determine what frames were received.

In TCP, before any data can be transferred, a connection has to be established between the client and the server. This is called a three-way handshake and looks likes this:

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Client          SYN ->          Server
Client          <- SYN ACK      Server
Client          ACK ->          Server

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First the client will send to the server port (let's say 80) a simple TCP datagram with the SYN flag set. If the server accepts connections on that port (in this case HTTP requests) will respond with a frame with both flags SYN and ACK set. Then the client will send a frame with the ACK flag set and the

connection is established. It may now make requests to the HTTP daemon¹ from that server.

If the server didn't accept TCP connections on that port it'll respond with RST (datagram with the reset flag set).

Client SYN -> Server

Client < - RST Server

A connection can be terminated with either FIN or RST packets.

Client FIN ACK -> Server

Client < - ACK Server

Client < - FIN ACK Server

Client ACK -> Server

or

Client RST ACK -> Server

I hope this chapter helped you. Don't forget to read more elaborate tutorials on TCP/IP. I'll get to the non-boring-side of the tutorial now.

¹ Daemon means a program that runs on a server offering a network service (for example HTTPD)

== Becoming a Hacker ==

I'll start this chapter with a famous text which every would-be hacker should read, and every hacker already read. "The Conscience of a Hacker", by Loyd Blankenship aka The Mentor. It appeared in Phrack magazine and it was written on January 8, 1986. Here's the original:

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The following was written shortly after my arrest...

\\The Conscience of a Hacker\\

by

+++The Mentor+++

Written on January 8, 1986

Another one got caught today, it's all over the papers. "Teenager Arrested in Computer Crime Scandal", "Hacker Arrested after Bank Tampering"... Damn kids. They're all alike.

But did you, in your three-piece psychology and 1950's technobrain, ever take a look behind the eyes of the hacker? Did you ever wonder what made him tick, what forces shaped him, what may have molded him?

I am a hacker, enter my world...

Mine is a world that begins with school... I'm smarter than most of the other kids, this crap they teach us bores me...

Damn underachiever. They're all alike.

I'm in junior high or high school. I've listened to teachers explain for the fifteenth time how to reduce a fraction. I understand it. "No, Ms. Smith, I didn't show my work. I did it in my head..."

Damn kid. Probably copied it. They're all alike.

I made a discovery today. I found a computer. Wait a second, this is cool. It does what I want it to. If it makes a mistake, it's because I screwed it up. Not because it doesn't like me...

Or feels threatened by me...

Or thinks I'm a smart ass...

Or doesn't like teaching and shouldn't be here...

Damn kid. All he does is play games. They're all alike.

And then it happened... a door opened to a world... rushing through the phone line like heroin through an addict's veins, an electronic pulse is sent out, a refuge from the day-to-day incompetencies is sought... a board is found.

"This is it... this is where I belong..."

I know everyone here... even if I've never met them, never talked to them, may never hear from them again... I know you all...

Damn kid. Tying up the phone line again. They're all alike...

You bet your ass we're all alike... we've been spoon-fed baby food at school when we hungered for steak... the bits of meat that you did let slip through were pre-chewed and tasteless. We've been dominated by sadists, or ignored by the apathetic. The few that had something to teach found us willing pupils, but those few are like drops of water in the desert.

This is our world now... the world of the electron and the switch, the beauty of the baud. We make use of a service already existing without paying for what could be dirt-cheap if it wasn't run by profiteering gluttons, and you call us criminals. We explore... and you call us criminals. We seek after knowledge... and you call us criminals. We exist without skin color, without nationality, without religious bias... and you call us criminals. You build atomic bombs, you wage wars, you murder, cheat, and lie to us and try to make us believe it's for our own good, yet we're the criminals.

Yes, I am a criminal. My crime is that of curiosity. My crime is that of judging people by what they say and think, not what they look like. My crime is that of outsmarting you, something that you will never forgive me for.

I am a hacker, and this is my manifesto. You may stop this individual, but you can't stop us all... after all, we're all alike.

+++The Mentor+++

The text was reprinted in Phrack 14 "in honor and sympathy for the many phreaks and hackers that have been busted recently by the Secret Service". If you'd like to read more about those times, I'd recommend a great book: Underground, by Suelette Dreyfus & Julian Assange. You can download it from here:

<http://www.absolom.ro/index.php?name=Sections&req=viewarticle&artid=4&page=1>

Now let's talk about you becoming a hacker. First you must become paranoid.

1. You shall tell to no one you've started hacking, not even to your mother or friends. You may pass the word only if you really thrust your buddies (don't ever thrust your parents though) and if you're good enough, that supposedly if FBI was to take your PC from home, they wouldn't be able to discover anything incriminating on it. They also shouldn't be able to discover anything incriminating in your house. Don't buy hacking books and put them in your fucking library. Don't write passwords on piece of papers etc.

2. You shall change your ISP as often as possible.

3. You shall encrypt your conversations if they're related to hacking. Instead of Yahoo Messenger, AIM, ICQ or whatever IM program you use, try gaim with the OTR plugin.

For gaim: <http://gaim.sourceforge.net/>

For OTR (Off-The-Record): <http://www.cypherpunks.ca/otr/>

Only connect to IRC servers that support SSL (Secure Sockets Layer). Here's an article about how to add SSL support to MIRC:

<http://www.absolom.ro/index.php?name=News&file=article&sid=3>

Encrypt you're e-mails with GnuPG.

[http://www.gnupg.org/\(en\)/download/index.html](http://www.gnupg.org/(en)/download/index.html)

Find other anonymity tools here:

<http://www.absolom.ro/index.php?name=Sections&req=listarticles&secid=7>

4. You shall use encrypted partitions to store your hacking files (even for this tutorial).

<http://www.absolom.ro/index.php?name=Sections&req=viewarticle&artid=61&page=1>

5. You shall leave no open ports on your computer. You shall use a powerful firewall and antivirus.

6. You shall encrypt your swap file.

<http://www.absolom.ro/index.php?name=Sections&req=viewarticle&artid=61&page=1>

7. You shall never delete files rather than wipe them.

<http://www.absolom.ro/index.php?name=Sections&req=viewarticle&artid=61&page=1>

8. You shall never use Telephone, Mobile Phone or VoIP to discuss about hacking.

9. If possible, you shall connect to the internet through a Wi-Fi or Bluetooth hotspot, or using a WLAN gateway you hacked by war driving, or from an

Internet Cafe, or using another's man internet connection and maybe his computer too.

10. You shall have a quick way to destroy your data. Watch The Broken Episode 3 – return of thebroken for a nice one.

<http://videos.revision3.com/thebroken/thebroken3.avi>

or

<http://www.archive.org/download/thebroken3/thebroken3.avi>

With time you'll be able to think about more paranoid things like those I just mentioned. Never be too lazy to actually use them.

== WHOIS Databases ==

Let's choose a target for our hacking adventure (you paranoid freak). You may want to make it legal so request approval from the target to try hacking it. You probably won't receive it so try anyway (just joking, don't sue me please).

For the first chapters our target will be NASA Ames Research Center. Our evil thought will be to hack any of their servers accessible from the internet, and then get access to any of their internal networks. If you just wanted to deface their website, the start would have been to open it in your browser.



But defacing is bad and useless and hopefully you knew that already. What we want to do is gather as much information as possible about the internet side of their network, without interfering too much with any of their servers. Our first tool will be the public WHOIS databases. These contain some useful records about each domain, but you can also query them sometimes for registrars, nameservers, network address spaces, etc.

You will use the WHOIS search from websites like these:

Africa Network Information Centre (Africa, portions of the Indian Ocean)

<http://www.afrinic.net/cgi-bin/whois>

American Registry for Internet Numbers (Canada, United States, islands in the Caribbean Sea and North Atlantic Ocean)

<http://ws.arin.net/cgi-bin/whois.pl>

Asia Pacific Network Information Centre (Portions of Asia, portions of Oceania)

<http://www.apnic.org/search/index.html>

Latin American and Caribbean Network Information Centre (Latin America, portions of the Caribbean)

<http://lacnic.net/cgi-bin/lacnic/whois>

Réseaux IP Européens (Europe, the Middle East, Central Asia)

<http://www.ripe.net/perl/whois/>

Internet Network Information Centre

<http://www.internic.net/whois.html>

For NASA Ames Research Center we will query ARIN since the organization is located in USA. There are two easy ways to do it: use the search engine provided by ARIN or use the Linux whois utility. We'll do it both ways.

In the first example I used this query: “-n NASA Ames Research Center”. The `-n` parameter indicates that we only want to see the network

address space record types. This means we only want to know what IP addresses are assigned to NASA ARC.

ARIN WHOIS Database Search

Relevant Links: [ARIN Home Page](#) [ARIN Site Map](#) Training: [Querying ARIN's WHOIS](#)

Search ARIN WHOIS for: -n NASA Ames Research Center

-n NASA Ames Research Center Submit Query

NASA Ames Research Center NETBLK-NSI2 (NET-198-116-2-0-1) 198.116.2.0 - 198.116.2.255
NASA Ames Research Center NETBLK-NSI1 (NET-198-116-3-0-1) 198.116.3.0 - 198.116.3.255
NASA Ames Research Center NETBLK-NSI-1 (NET-198-116-7-0-1) 198.116.7.0 - 198.116.7.255
NASA Ames Research Center ARC-OMM (NET-198-120-8-0-1) 198.120.8.0 - 198.120.8.255

In this case there are lots of IP addresses organized in 4 net blocks: 198.116.2.*, 198.116.3.*, 198.116.7.* and 198.120.8.*. This means we have about 1016 possible hosts (254×4) to attack. The IPs ending with 0 or 255 don't count because they usually are not assigned to a host, but generally it's a good idea to test them too. Those ending with 0 are reserved for the network address¹ and those ending with 255 for the broadcast address².

In Linux we could have found the netblocks with this command:
\$ whois -h whois.arin.net "NASA Ames Research Center"

```
nabu@ubuntu: ~  
File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help  
nabu@ubuntu:~$ whois -h whois.arin.net "NASA Ames Research Center"  
NASA Ames Research Center (NARC)  
NASA Ames Research Center (AS41) AMES 41  
NASA Ames Research Center (AS10888) EI-AIX 10888  
NASA Ames Research Center NETBLK-NSI2 (NET-198-116-2-0-1) 198.116.2.0 - 198.116.2.255  
NASA Ames Research Center NETBLK-NSI1 (NET-198-116-3-0-1) 198.116.3.0 - 198.116.3.255  
NASA Ames Research Center NETBLK-NSI-1 (NET-198-116-7-0-1) 198.116.7.0 - 198.116.7.255  
NASA Ames Research Center ARC-OMM (NET-198-120-8-0-1) 198.120.8.0 - 198.120.8.255  
  
# ARIN WHOIS database, last updated 2006-03-17 19:10  
# Enter ? for additional hints on searching ARIN's WHOIS database.  
nabu@ubuntu:~$
```

In other UNIX-based operating systems this could have also worked:
\$ whois -a "NASA Ames Research Center"
You should always read the manual of a command if you never used it before.
\$ man whois

¹ A network address represents the network portion of an IP address.

² A broadcast address is an IP address that allows information to be sent to all machines on a given subnet rather to a specific machine.

== Basic Tracerouting and Path Analysis ==

Now we'll try to understand the topology of the internet side of the ARC network with different tools and techniques. We'll start with a program called `traceroute` in UNIX and `tracert` in Windows. This is a TCP/IP utility which should allow us to determine the route that IP datagrams take to reach a particular host. How does traceroute work? It's simple. When you execute the traceroute command (example: `traceroute 65.161.97.151`) your machine sends out, one by one, 3 UDP packets with a TTL (Time-To-Leave) value of 1 and a destination address set to the target host (in our example 65.161.97.151). The first router that will have to forward the UDP datagram to its destination will decrease the TTL value to 0 and therefore drop it. It will send you back an ICMP Time-To-Live Exceeded message (Type 11, Code 0 – TTL exceeded in transit, check Appendix A for all ICMP Types and Codes), with a source address of itself, therefore you will know the IP address of the first hop in the path to the target host. Next, traceroute will send 3 UDP packets with a TTL value of 2, thus the first router you already know will pass it to the next router, which will drop it and send you back an ICMP message Type 11, Code 0 with its source address. You'll have the second router in the path to your target. The traceroute program will continue doing that until it reaches the final destination. Since some NASA routers/firewalls/whatever will drop incoming UDP/outgoing ICMP traffic, we won't have the complete route but we'll try to guess it by other means. This "other means" are actually those that will help us map the network, but we have to study the traditional tools first (sorry). Let's go to <http://www.traceroute.org> and select a location as close as possible to the servers we're targeting. In this case I chose <http://www.traceroute.org/#USA>, and then <http://voa.his.com/cgi-bin/trace>. First we'll request a traceroute that we know it should be successful (because we did it before and it worked). Let's say www.whitehouse.gov.

FROM voa.his.com TO www.whitehouse.gov.

```
traceroute to a1289.g.akamai.net (65.161.97.151), 64 hops max, 44 byte packets
 1  pm28-fe00.his.net (216.194.225.65)  0.801 ms  0.533 ms  0.481 ms
 2  att-kensington-ds3-1.his.net (216.194.224.6)  1.442 ms  1.334 ms  1.296 ms
 3  12.124.234.33 (12.124.234.33)  1.493 ms  1.569 ms  12.124.234.85 (12.124.234.85)
1.557 ms
 4  12.123.9.58 (12.123.9.58)  2.686 ms  2.651 ms  2.242 ms
 5  12.122.82.221 (12.122.82.221)  1.816 ms  1.556 ms  1.598 ms
 6  att-gw.dc.sprint.net (192.205.32.166)  2.599 ms  2.365 ms  2.699 ms
 7  sl-st20-ash-12-0.sprintlink.net (144.232.19.240)  2.666 ms  2.616 ms  2.580 ms
 8  65.161.97.151 (65.161.97.151)  2.632 ms  3.072 ms  2.531 ms
```

Since www.whitehouse.gov is a domain alias for a1289.g.akamai.net (65.161.97.151), we are actually tracerouting to 65.161.97.151. What is a domain alias? Well, it's a way to have separate domains pointing to the same server. I'll help you understand. When you request the White House website in your browser, what you're actually doing is that you connect to 65.161.97.151 on port 80 and request the index page for the virtual host www.whitehouse.gov. Virtual hosting is a method that web servers use to host more than one domain name on the same computer and IP address. An easy way to find aliases and other informations about a domain is the Linux dig command. We won't discuss it now because you can always read its manual if you want more informations about it.

\$ man dig

```
nabu@ubuntu:~$ dig www.whitehouse.gov

; <<>> DiG 9.3.1 <<>> www.whitehouse.gov
;; global options: printcmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->HEADER<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 54555
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 4, AUTHORITY: 9, ADDITIONAL: 9

;; QUESTION SECTION:
;www.whitehouse.gov.          IN      A

;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.whitehouse.gov.          7055    IN      CNAME   www.whitehouse.gov.edgesuite.net.
www.whitehouse.gov.edgesuite.net. 155    IN      CNAME   al289.g.akamai.net.
al289.g.akamai.net.          20      IN      A       80.86.97.88
al289.g.akamai.net.          20      IN      A       80.86.97.87

;; AUTHORITY SECTION:
g.akamai.net.                1594    IN      NS      n5g.akamai.net.
g.akamai.net.                1594    IN      NS      n6g.akamai.net.
g.akamai.net.                1594    IN      NS      n7g.akamai.net.
g.akamai.net.                1594    IN      NS      n8g.akamai.net.
g.akamai.net.                1594    IN      NS      n0g.akamai.net.
g.akamai.net.                1594    IN      NS      n1g.akamai.net.
g.akamai.net.                1594    IN      NS      n2g.akamai.net.
g.akamai.net.                1594    IN      NS      n3g.akamai.net.
g.akamai.net.                1594    IN      NS      n4g.akamai.net.

;; ADDITIONAL SECTION:
n0g.akamai.net.              235     IN      A       193.231.255.66
n1g.akamai.net.              1757    IN      A       193.231.255.74
n2g.akamai.net.              1599    IN      A       193.231.255.75
n3g.akamai.net.              235     IN      A       193.231.255.66
n4g.akamai.net.              1759    IN      A       193.231.255.74
n5g.akamai.net.              1651    IN      A       193.231.255.75
n6g.akamai.net.              401     IN      A       205.188.162.148
n7g.akamai.net.              235     IN      A       205.188.162.148
n8g.akamai.net.              401     IN      A       205.188.162.148

;; Query time: 210 msec
;; SERVER: 192.168.228.2#53(192.168.228.2)
;; WHEN: Sun Mar 19 20:47:41 2006
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 449

nabu@ubuntu:~$ █
```

Now that we know that <http://voa.his.com/cgi-bin/trace> works fine, what we want to do is traceroute every single IP from our target network. We'll do it to a few IPs to understand what's happening, then we'll make a script to automate the task. We'll start with 198.116.2.1:

FROM voa.his.com TO 198.116.2.1.

```
traceroute to 198.116.2.1 (198.116.2.1), 64 hops max, 44 byte packets
 1 pm28-fe00.his.net (216.194.225.65)  0.782 ms  0.558 ms  0.490 ms
 2 att-kensington-ds3-1.his.net (216.194.224.6)  1.501 ms  1.343 ms  1.303 ms
 3 12.124.234.33 (12.124.234.33)  1.588 ms  12.124.234.85 (12.124.234.85)  1.624 ms
12.124.234.33 (12.124.234.33)  1.478 ms
 4 12.123.9.58 (12.123.9.58)  63.419 ms  63.246 ms  63.038 ms
 5 tbr1-cl14.sl9mo.ip.att.net (12.122.10.30)  65.568 ms  65.244 ms  65.573 ms
 6 tbr2-cl12.sffca.ip.att.net (12.122.10.42)  65.378 ms  65.252 ms  65.359 ms
 7 gbr2-p40.sffca.ip.att.net (12.122.11.86)  62.948 ms  62.942 ms  63.071 ms
 8 nrl-p360.napsf.ip.att.net (192.205.31.38)  64.064 ms  63.588 ms  63.539 ms
 9 ames1.mae-west.nasa.gov (198.32.136.43)  63.777 ms  63.832 ms  63.724 ms
10 128.161.3.94 (128.161.3.94)  64.268 ms  64.096 ms  63.722 ms
```

```

11 192.150.40.245 (192.150.40.245) 376.877 ms 420.183 ms 435.923 ms
12 * * *
13 * * *
14 * * *
15 * * *
16 * * *
17 * * *
18 * * *
Etc. lots of *s

```

As you can see after the hop 11, UDP/ICMP packets are being dropped or some stupid router is sending us ICMP responses with a TTL value too low to reach us, or the PC with IP 198.116.2.1 is switched off. It doesn't really matter if it's on or off on this stage of the attack. Check hop 9. That's an IXP (Internet Exchange Point). We can discover this by searching this IP in the ARIN WHOIS database. It will show it as part of the Exchange Point Blocks. The primary purpose of an IXP is to allow networks to interconnect directly, via the exchange, rather than through one or more 3rd party networks. The advantages of the direct interconnection are numerous, but the primary reasons are cost, latency and bandwidth. We should have expected NASA networks to be interconnected with Internet Exchange Points. This is not surprising at all.

Now check hops 10 and 11. Those IPs don't have a reverse DNS entry. This means that they are not associated with a domain or subdomain (like hop 9 for example). That makes our job a bit harder because we can't easily understand the purpose of those devices or computers in the network. By querying ARIN we discover them as part of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration IP range. That's normal since for getting to them we had to go through a NASA IXP. We won't query ARIN from now on any more, unless we see other IXPs or we don't see an IXP at all. Hops 10 and 11 don't belong to any of the ARC net blocks so they're not that important to us.

Let's suppose that hop 11 was the last one and it was the IP we were trying to traceroute. Let's have a better understanding of its location by watching a map. Go to <http://www.ip2location.com/free.asp> and input the 3 addresses from the last 3 successful hops in the IP Address(es) box you'll see there. Then press the button "Find Location" and it will show you something like this:

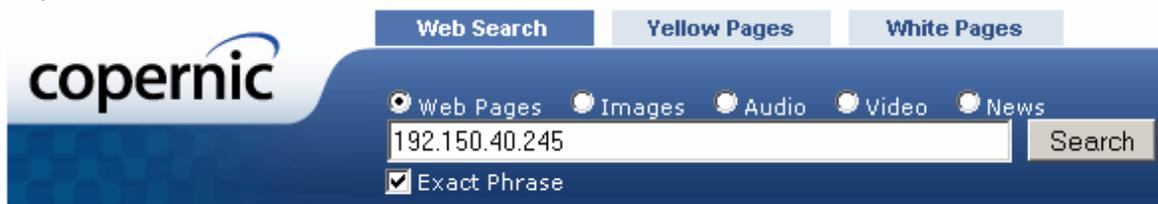
IP Address	Country (Short)	Country (Full)	Flag	Region	City	ISP	Map
198.32.136.43	US	UNITED STATES		TEXAS	WEBSTER	EXCHANGE POINT BLOCKS	
128.161.3.94	US	UNITED STATES		ALABAMA	HUNTSVILLE	NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION	
192.150.40.245	US	UNITED STATES		TEXAS	HOUSTON	NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION	

By pressing MAP on the last IP we'll know that our target computer is located near that point, in Houston, Texas.

If the real trace would have been complete we could have known the exact position of the real IP we were tracerouting (198.116.2.1), but this will happen rarely in a government address space, especially a NASA network. Putting each target IP on a map will always help us understand the structure of the internet side of a network in a better way.



If by using <http://www.copernic.com/> and searching for the two IPs from hops 10 and 11 we discover nothing interesting about them, we should not try any more, since as I said they're not part of the ARC address space anyway. But keep in mind that search engines may help you when you least expect it.



No results were found for the search term 192.150.40.245.

The advantage of www.copernic.com is that it displays results from more search engines for a single query.

Next we'll traceroute 198.116.3.1, 198.116.7.1 and 198.120.8.1 and I'll delete the unimportant hops.

```

traceroute to 198.116.3.1 (198.116.3.1), 64 hops max, 44 byte packets
 9  ames1.mae-west.nasa.gov (198.32.136.43)  63.622 ms  63.965 ms  162.181 ms
10  128.161.3.94 (128.161.3.94)  63.945 ms  63.881 ms  64.057 ms
11  128.161.1.94 (128.161.1.94)  70.668 ms  70.463 ms  70.607 ms
12  * * *
13  * * *

```

```

traceroute to 198.116.7.1 (198.116.7.1), 64 hops max, 44 byte packets
 9  ames1.mae-west.nasa.gov (198.32.136.43)  64.223 ms  65.599 ms  64.507 ms
10  128.161.3.94 (128.161.3.94)  64.540 ms  64.801 ms  64.546 ms
11  128.161.21.54 (128.161.21.54)  65.855 ms  66.596 ms  65.809 ms
12  * * *
13  * * *

```

```

traceroute to 198.120.8.1 (198.120.8.1), 64 hops max, 44 byte packets
 9  ames1.mae-west.nasa.gov (198.32.136.43)  64.621 ms  64.557 ms  64.784 ms
10  128.161.3.94 (128.161.3.94)  64.209 ms  64.224 ms  64.444 ms
11  * * *
12  * * *

```

We only see two new IPs discovered, both in US, not far away from each other, one in Huntsville, Alabama and the other in Houston, Texas (again). We're not doing a great job with this traces but we'll do an auto-trace script anyway. This might be helpful for you in the future, with other, less firewalled, networks. It will help you traceroute an IP range and when finished you'll be hopefully able to extract some interesting informations about the network you're targeting, from its logs. It might not help you too much with the ARC network but don't worry. We're just at the beginning anyway.

How do you analyze the results of a traceroute? Let's look at an example. We'll presume that our target was `www.software_for_shoes.com` and that the company had 3 IP addresses assigned: 198.1.5.55, 198.1.5.56, 198.1.5.57 and 198.1.5.58

After tracerouting to each of the 4 IPs we could discover something like this:

Traceroute from whatever host to 198.1.5.55

```
...
6 att-gw.dc.sprint.net (192.205.32.166)
7 firewall.software_for_shoes.com (198.1.5.55)
```

Traceroute from whatever host to 198.1.5.56

```
...
6 att-gw.dc.sprint.net (192.205.32.166)
7 firewall.software_for_shoes.com (198.1.5.55)
8 www.software_for_shoes.com (198.1.5.56)
```

Traceroute from whatever host to 198.1.5.57

```
...
6 att-gw.dc.sprint.net (192.205.32.166)
7 firewall.software_for_shoes.com (198.1.5.55)
8 smtp.software_for_shoes.com (198.1.5.57)
```

Traceroute from whatever host to 198.1.5.58

```
...
6 att-gw.dc.sprint.net (192.205.32.166)
7 firewall.software_for_shoes.com (198.1.5.55)
8 ns.software_for_shoes.com (198.1.5.57)
```

So now it's easy to understand that we shouldn't try to hack 198.1.5.55 since it's a firewall device/host, which protects the web server, the SMTP server and the name server. We can see that each connection to these 2 daemons will be filtered by 198.1.5.55, since our datagrams are routed through the firewall.

"att-gw.dc.sprint.net" is the router of the internet provider for "Software for Shoes", so it's of no interest for us. We can recognize the ISP as Sprintlink (sprint.net). The naming of the server also gives away informations about it:

dc is a city code – Washington DC

gw – gateway router

att –the fabricant of the router (AT&T)

I hope you understood how useful tracerouting can be in some hacking scenarios. Not let's have a look at the basic tools that can be used for tracerouting. In Windows the program is called `tracert`. In most distros you'll have `traceroute`. In Ubuntu Linux I don't have it so I'll have to install it first. I already have `tracpath` installed, but that's like the stupid version of traceroute so we won't use it.

```
$ sudo apt-get install traceroute
```

Once you have traceroute installed you should read its manual.

```
$ man traceroute
```

Using it is easy. Most of the time you'll do it like this:

```
$ traceroute www.vodafone.com
```

Or

```
$ traceroute 195.233.125.5
```

Here's another example of use:

```
$ traceroute -w 10 -q 2 -m 40 -v www.vodafone.com &>traceroute_www.vodafone.com &
```

`-w 10` means that we change the timeout interval from the default of 5 into 10 seconds. The probe has more time to come back. If it doesn't come back "*" will be printed. By default each probe is sent on each route 3 times. With `-q 2` we only send it twice. `-m 40` means that after 40 hops without reaching the destination, the program will quit. `-v` means verbose mode. `www.vodafone.com` is our target. We are saving the results of the traceroute in a file called `traceroute_www.vodafone.com` and the entire tracing process is being done in the background (&). We can check the progress anytime with the cat command:

```
$ cat traceroute_www.vodafone.com
```

You can read about tracepath too. There are just a few rows. You'll probably observe that you have `tracepath6` and `traceroute6` installed too. We won't use those because they're for IPv6¹. Play for a few minutes with the traceroute command until you truly understand it. When done continue reading... we'll be making our auto-tracerouting script.

Create a directory called mapping and inside it a file called trace.pl with the following content:

```
#!/usr/bin/perl
@tag=split(/-/,@ARGV[0]);
@ip1=split(/\./,@tag[0]);
@ip2=split(/\./,@tag[1]);
for ($a=@ip1[0]; $a<1+@ip2[0]; $a++) {
for ($b=@ip1[1]; $b<1+@ip2[1]; $b++) {
for ($c=@ip1[2]; $c<1+@ip2[2]; $c++) {
for ($d=@ip1[3]; $d<1+@ip2[3]; $d++) {
print "$a.$b.$c.$d\n";
system "lynx -dump http://voa.his.com/cgi-bin/trace?${a}.${b}.${c}.${d} &>trace_${a}.${b}.${c}.${d} &";
}}}}
}}}
```

Now there are different ways to execute it. One:

```
$ perl trace.pl 198.116.2.1-198.116.2.20
```

Or you could make it executable...

```
$ chmod +x trace.pl
```

and run it with this command:

```
$ ./trace.pl 198.116.2.1-198.116.2.20
```

Or you could copy it in a directory situated in your PATH, and run it from any directory without putting "./" in front of it.

¹ The Internet Protocol version 6 is a network layer standard which governs the addressing and routing of data packets through a network. This version of the internet protocol is destined to replace version 4, currently in use in most of the networks. It is improved upon version 4 in two main areas: much larger addresses (128 bits, allowing for exponentially more hosts on the Internet) and extensibility. The base IPv6 header is 40 bytes.

```
$ echo $PATH
```

Now choose a directory (for example “/usr/bin”) and copy it:

```
$ cp trace.pl /usr/bin
```

And run it like this:

```
$ trace.pl 198.116.2.1-198.116.2.20
```

What I’ve just said are basic Linux stuff. If you’ve read them with interest then please stop reading this tutorial for a few hours and learn how to use the Linux console.

<http://www.lowfatlinux.com/linux-basics.html>

If you want our script to work you must have perl installed. Most distros have it. Lynx is needed too. On my Ubuntu I didn’t have it installed so...

```
$ sudo apt-get install lynx
```

You probably understood what the script does. If not, take a perl tutorial and learn at least the basics. Perl is an interpreted programming language. Its main advantage is that you won’t have to compile programs made in perl. You will simply run them with the perl interpreter.

<http://www.google.com/search?hl=en&q=perl+tutorial>

Our perl script (trace.pl) takes each IP in the given range, and uses an online traceroute utility for tracerouting to that IP. It writes the result in a file called trace_IP. So by doing

```
$ ./trace.pl 198.116.2.1-198.116.2.20
```

we’ll soon end up with lots of files like these: trace_198.116.2.1, trace_198.116.2.1, trace_198.116.2.2, etc. These tracings are background processes and we don’t want to flood the server with trace requests so we’ll take a 20 IP range at a time.

First:

```
$ ./trace.pl 198.116.2.1-198.116.2.20
```

After a while we’ll use the **ps aux** command to see if the tracerouting is over. If it is, we’ll start with the next IPs.

```
$ ./trace.pl 198.116.2.21-198.116.2.40
```

And so on until you finish tracerouting your entire target network. When it’s over you’ll analyze the resulted files. I used these IP ranges as an example. Don’t use our script for any of the ARC class C networks. We won’t map them with traceroute.

Another simple way to traceroute to a certain target is using route servers¹. With their help we can also determine which networks are routed to the internet and which are not. These servers have thousands of routes. You simply connect to them using telnet, and then type “help” or “?” to be shown the available commands.

Here is an example where I connect to route-server.bti.net.ph, I do a traceroute, a ping and then I use the route server as a jump box for connecting to another server.

¹ These servers run one or more network layer routing protocols and provide users the ability to query for routing descriptions

```

nabu@altos:~$ telnet route-server.bti.net.ph
Trying 203.115.134.70...
Connected to route-server.bti.net.ph.
Escape character is '^]'.
C
*****
Welcome to the Bayan Telecommunications Inc.
Route View Server

TELNET to route-server.bti.net.ph

For comments email: IP Operations ip-ops@skyinet.net
*****

route-server.bti.net.ph>traceroute ip www.whitehouse.gov
Translating "www.whitehouse.gov"...domain server (202.78.97.2) [OK]

Type escape sequence to abort.
Tracing the route to al289.g.akamai.net (60.254.131.10)

 0  ip-ops-lan-gw.bti.net.ph (202.78.98.1) [AS 6648] 0 msec 4 msec 0 msec
 1  202.78.97.215 [AS 6648] 4 msec 4 msec 0 msec
 2  Vlan111.msfc1.QBY-Quezon.teleglobe.net (64.86.127.13) [AS 6453] 4 msec 0 msec 4 msec
 3  if-2-0-0.bb1.QBY-Quezon.teleglobe.net (64.86.127.134) [AS 6453] 0 msec 0 msec 4 msec
 4  if-2-2.core1.HK2-HongKong.teleglobe.net (216.6.95.81) [AS 6453] 36 msec 36 msec 40 msec
 5  ix-0-0.core1.HK2-HongKong.teleglobe.net (216.6.95.54) [AS 6453] 40 msec 40 msec 40 msec
 6  al289.g.akamai.net (60.254.131.10) [AS 20940] 40 msec 40 msec 40 msec
route-server.bti.net.ph>ping ip 216.239.59.104

Type escape sequence to abort.
Sending 5, 100-byte ICMP Echos to 216.239.59.104, timeout is 2 seconds:
!!!!
Success rate is 100 percent (5/5), round-trip min/avg/max = 360/365/372 ms
route-server.bti.net.ph>telnet sdf-eu.org
Trying sdf-eu.org (192.94.73.35)... Open
Kerberos: No default realm defined for Kerberos!

sdf-eu.org (ttyp7)
if new, login 'new' ..

login: bossacct
Password:
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The NetBSD Foundation, Inc. All rights reserved.
Copyright (c) 1982, 1986, 1989, 1991, 1993
The Regents of the University of California. All rights reserved.

You have new mail.
$

```

Here's another example where I connect to server.ip.att.net and I check the route table for our ARC networks.

```
nabu@altos:~$ telnet route-server.ip.att.net
Trying 12.0.1.28...
Connected to route-server.cbbtier3.att.net.
Escape character is '^]'.
CCC
##### route-server.ip.att.net #####
##### AT&T IP Services Route Monitor #####
```

This router maintains peerings with customer-facing routers throughout the AT&T IP Services Backbone:

12.123.21.243	Atlanta, GA	12.123.133.124	Austin, TX
12.123.41.250	Cambridge, MA	12.123.5.240	Chicago,IL
12.123.17.244	Dallas, TX	12.123.139.124	Detroit, MI
12.123.37.250	Denver, CO	12.123.134.124	Houston, TX
12.123.29.249	Los Angeles, CA	12.123.1.236	New York, NY
12.123.33.249	Orlando,FL	12.123.137.124	Philadelphia, PA
12.123.142.124	Phoenix, AZ	12.123.145.124	San Diego, CA
12.123.13.241	San Francisco, CA	12.123.25.245	St. Louis, MO
12.123.45.252	Seattle, WA	12.123.9.241	Washington, DC

This router has the global routing table view from each of the above routers, providing a glimpse to the Internet routing table from the AT&T network's perspective.

*** Please Note:

Ping and traceroute delay figures measured with this box are unreliable, due to the high CPU load this box experiences when complicated "show" commands are being executed.

For questions about this route-server, send email to: jayb@att.com

```
##### route-server.ip.att.net #####

route-server>show ip route | include 198.116
B   198.116.25.0/24 [20/0] via 12.123.1.236, 5w3d
B   216.198.116.0/24 [20/0] via 12.123.1.236, 7w0d
B   198.116.0.0/14 [20/0] via 12.123.1.236, 2w5d
route-server>show ip route | include 198.120
B   216.198.120.0/24 [20/0] via 12.123.1.236, 4w6d
B   198.120.0.0/14 [20/0] via 12.123.1.236, 2w5d
route-server>
```

Here are some route servers to play with. Don't waste too much time on the subject.

For IPv4:

```
route-server.belwue.de
route-views.on.bb.telus.com
route-views.ab.bb.telus.com
route-server.cerf.net
route-server.ip.tiscali.net
route-server.gblx.net
route-server.eu.gblx.net
route-server.savvis.net
public-route-server.is.co.za
route-server.twtelecom.net
route-server.as5388.net
route-server.opentransit.net
tpr-route-server.saix.net
route-views.routeviews.org
```

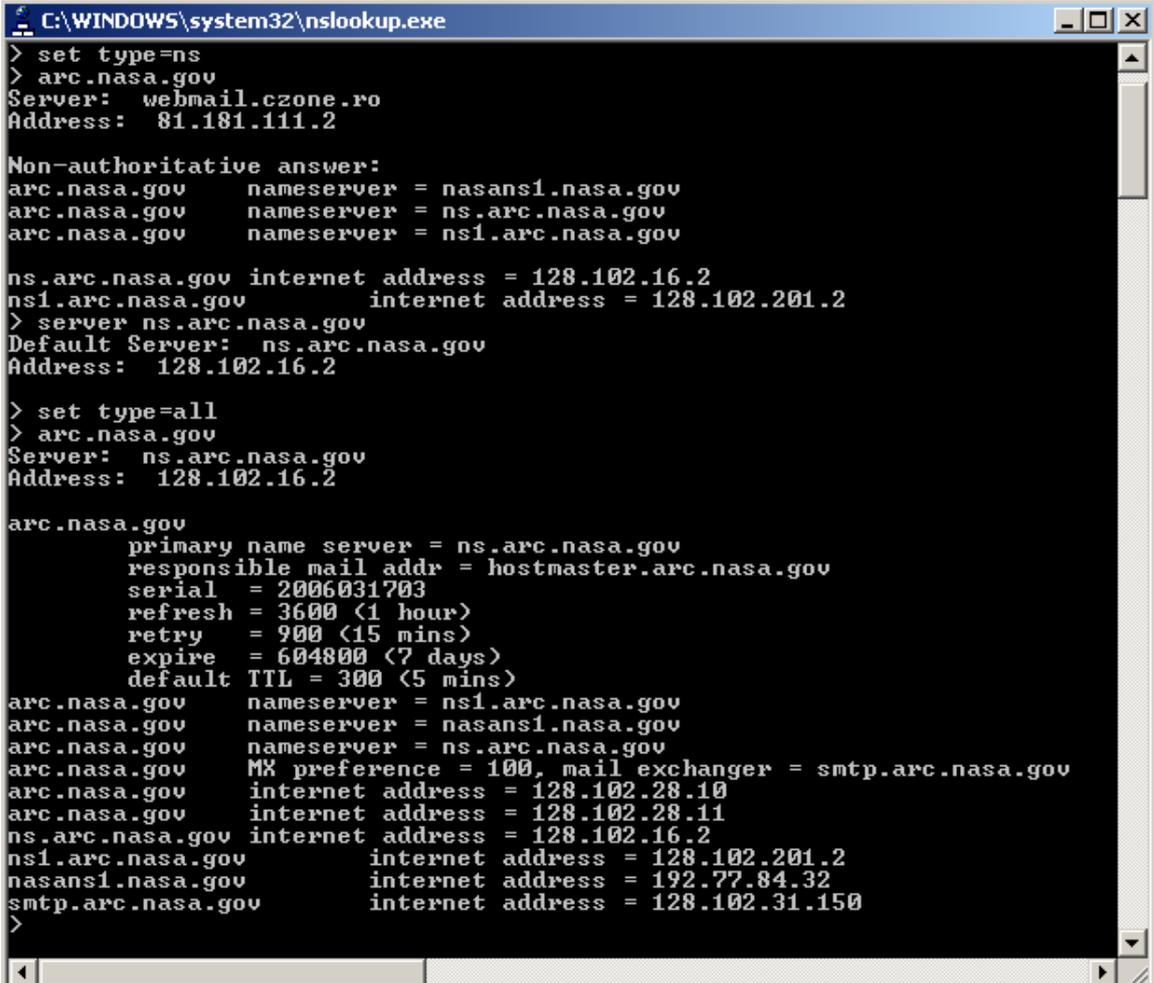
route-views2.routeviews.org
route-views3.routeviews.org
route-views.eqix.routeviews.org
route-views.isc.routeviews.org
route-views.kixp.routeviews.org
route-views.linx.routeviews.org
route-views.wide.routeviews.org
route-server.gt.ca
route-server.bti.net.ph
route-server.as6667.net
routeserver.sunrise.ch
route-server.he.net
route-server.ip.att.net
route-views.optus.net.au
route-server.wcg.net
route-server.colt.net
route-views.bmcag.net
route-server.manilaix.net.ph
route-server.host.net
route-server.central.allstream.com
route-server.east.allstream.com
route-server.west.allstream.com
route-server.mainz-kom.net
lg.sp.ptt.br
lg.rsix.tche.br
lg.ptt.ansp.br

For IPv6:

route-server.ip.tiscali.net
route-server.opentransit.net
route-views3.routeviews.org
route-views6.routeviews.org
route-views.eqix.routeviews.org
route-views.linx.routeviews.org
route-views.wide.routeviews.org
route-server.he.net
grh.sixxs.net
route-server.host.net

== Mapping with DNS and Geolocation ==

Let's learn some new basic commands. The first one is nslookup. You have it in all operating systems, but I'll use the windows version because it has more implementations. This program is for querying Internet domain name servers (DNS) (like we did with dig). This means it will connect usually on port 53 to whatever server you tell it to connect, and then you can use it in interactive mode to query that name server for informations about various hosts and domains. You can also use it with arguments, if you only want it to respond to a single query. But we don't want that. Type `nslookup` in your console and hit enter. On the first two lines it will probably show you the DNS it got connected to. That's your primary DNS. You can change the name servers that you're using by editing this file: `/etc/resolv.conf` (in Linux). The order in which you have them written in it is very important. Most of the people will put local name servers first, because you don't want reverse lookup to be laggy (delayed because of the distance between you and the server). What you should do next is type "?" to be shown the help of the nslookup command. If it's not implemented read the help with `man nslookup`. Once you've made an idea about how to use it, continue reading the tutorial. I will enter a few commands, then I'll make a screen shot and explain you what I did. Sec...



```
C:\WINDOWS\system32\nslookup.exe
> set type=ns
> arc.nasa.gov
Server:  webmail.czone.ro
Address:  81.181.111.2

Non-authoritative answer:
arc.nasa.gov      nameserver = nasans1.nasa.gov
arc.nasa.gov      nameserver = ns.arc.nasa.gov
arc.nasa.gov      nameserver = ns1.arc.nasa.gov

ns.arc.nasa.gov   internet address = 128.102.16.2
ns1.arc.nasa.gov  internet address = 128.102.201.2
> server ns.arc.nasa.gov
Default Server:  ns.arc.nasa.gov
Address:  128.102.16.2

> set type=all
> arc.nasa.gov
Server:  ns.arc.nasa.gov
Address:  128.102.16.2

arc.nasa.gov
  primary name server = ns.arc.nasa.gov
  responsible mail addr = hostmaster.arc.nasa.gov
  serial = 2006031703
  refresh = 3600 (1 hour)
  retry = 900 (15 mins)
  expire = 604800 (7 days)
  default TTL = 300 (5 mins)
arc.nasa.gov      nameserver = ns1.arc.nasa.gov
arc.nasa.gov      nameserver = nasans1.nasa.gov
arc.nasa.gov      nameserver = ns.arc.nasa.gov
arc.nasa.gov      MX preference = 100, mail exchanger = smtp.arc.nasa.gov
arc.nasa.gov      internet address = 128.102.28.10
arc.nasa.gov      internet address = 128.102.28.11
ns.arc.nasa.gov   internet address = 128.102.16.2
ns1.arc.nasa.gov  internet address = 128.102.201.2
nasans1.nasa.gov  internet address = 192.77.84.32
smtp.arc.nasa.gov internet address = 128.102.31.150
>
```

First I told to the primary DNS that I only want to see the name servers of the domain that I'm about to input (`set type=ns`). The domain was actually a subdomain... arc.nasa.gov. The primary DNS responded with the 3 nameservers used by arc.nasa.gov. I connected to one of them (`server ns.arc.nasa.gov`) and made it show me all its records (`set type=all`) related to arc.nasa.gov. Strangely none of the IPs we got were in the ARC address space. Usually at least the mail server is, but this is NASA... everything is bothersome. Anyway... supposedly we wanted to intercept e-mails sent and received by people having addresses like marvin_christensen@arc.nasa.gov... then we'd probably want to hack the mail exchanger `smtp.arc.nasa.gov`. Not an easy job, but nothing is impossible.

What we'll be doing next is called a DNS zone transfer, and there is no hacker alive to not have done this at least once in his hacking adventures. It only works when the DNS is configured by an idiot, but when it works it can be extremely useful.

```

C:\WINDOWS\system32\nslookup.exe
smtp.arc.nasa.gov      internet address = 128.102.31.150
> set type=ns
> czone.ro
Server:  ns.arc.nasa.gov
Address:  128.102.16.2

Non-authoritative answer:
czone.ro      nameserver = ns.infogate.ro

ns.infogate.ro internet address = 80.96.198.2
> server ns.infogate.ro
Default Server:  ns.infogate.ro
Address:  80.96.198.2

> ls czone.ro
[ns.infogate.ro]
czone.ro.      NS      server = ns.infogate.ro
acces         A      81.181.111.2
auth          A      81.181.111.4
auth2         A      81.181.111.5
authvpn       A      172.16.1.1
bnet          A      81.181.111.14
cs            A      81.181.111.10
cs            A      81.181.111.11
cs            A      81.181.111.12
cs            A      81.181.111.13
cs1           A      81.181.111.10
cs2           A      81.181.111.11
cs3           A      81.181.111.12
cs4           A      81.181.111.13
cs5           A      81.181.111.106
dc            A      80.96.198.7
dc-share     A      81.181.111.14
detect       A      81.181.111.3
golescu      A      80.96.198.2
hltv         A      81.181.111.10
idle         A      81.181.111.107
militari     A      81.181.104.86
ns           A      81.181.111.2
www.olz      A      81.181.111.11
www.portal   A      81.181.104.166
q3           A      81.181.111.14
setup        A      80.96.198.2
sip          A      81.181.111.110
torrents     A      80.96.198.210
war          A      81.181.111.11
webcam       A      80.96.198.118
webmail      A      81.181.111.2
wow          A      81.181.111.108
www          A      80.96.198.2
zmarandescu  A      80.96.198.2

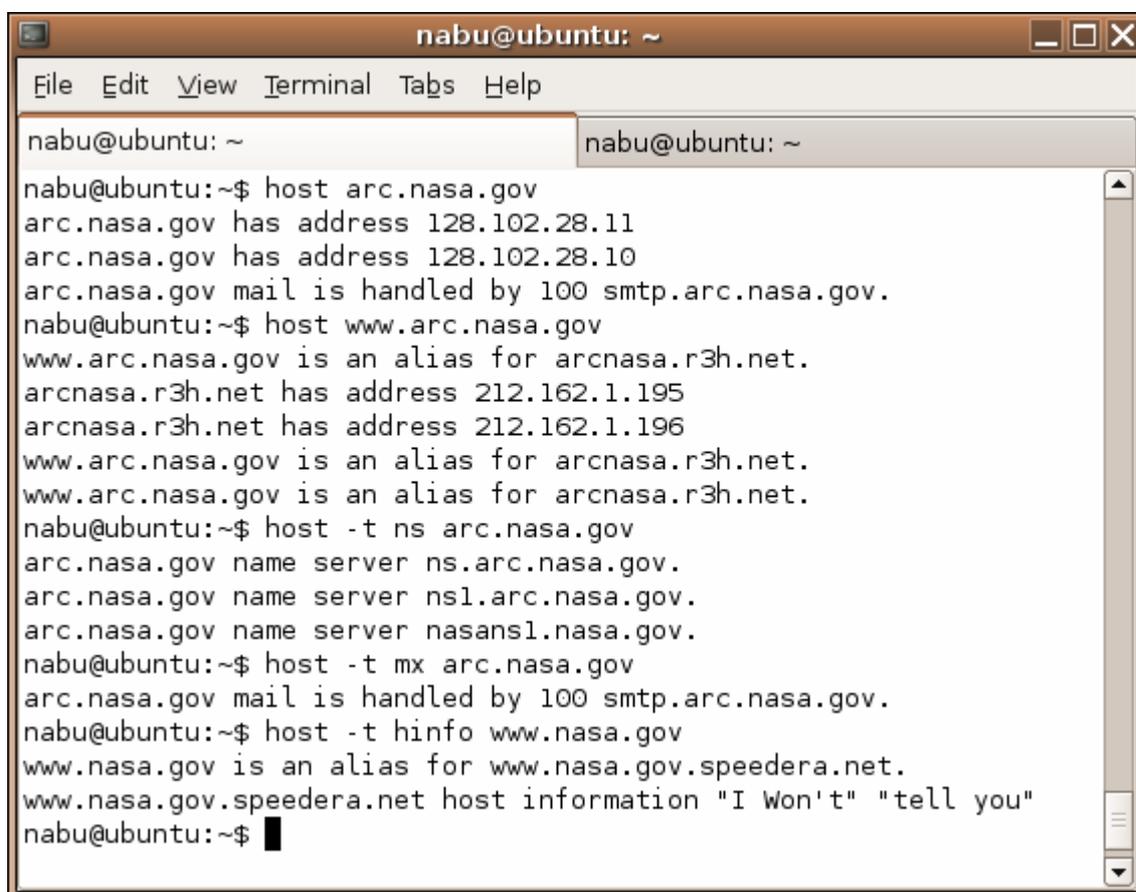
```

Here we've connected to the DNS server for the domain czone.ro, and then made it show us all its subdomains. C-zone is an internet provider. If we were evil and this was our ISP, we could have started to analyze each subdomain. Very soon we would have observed that <http://auth.czone.ro> is used for administrators' login, we would have hacked it with (let's say) SQL injection then we'd have paid for our internet service without actually paying, if you know what I mean...

Anyway... I hope you understood what could be the use of nslookup when hacking. I'll present you another tool.

\$ man host

Windows doesn't have "host", but you'll find it in any UNIX-based OS. Basically this is the modern version of nslookup and it kind of does the same things. Let's look at some examples.



```
nabu@ubuntu: ~
File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help
nabu@ubuntu: ~ nabu@ubuntu: ~
nabu@ubuntu:~$ host arc.nasa.gov
arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.28.11
arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.28.10
arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.
nabu@ubuntu:~$ host www.arc.nasa.gov
www.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for arcnasa.r3h.net.
arcnasa.r3h.net has address 212.162.1.195
arcnasa.r3h.net has address 212.162.1.196
www.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for arcnasa.r3h.net.
www.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for arcnasa.r3h.net.
nabu@ubuntu:~$ host -t ns arc.nasa.gov
arc.nasa.gov name server ns.arc.nasa.gov.
arc.nasa.gov name server ns1.arc.nasa.gov.
arc.nasa.gov name server nasans1.nasa.gov.
nabu@ubuntu:~$ host -t mx arc.nasa.gov
arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.
nabu@ubuntu:~$ host -t hinfo www.nasa.gov
www.nasa.gov is an alias for www.nasa.gov.speedera.net.
www.nasa.gov.speedera.net host information "I Won't" "tell you"
nabu@ubuntu:~$ █
```

I won't explain what I did... it's just some basic stuff. You'll understand them because I already told you about nslookup and you'll observe the similitudes. What's new is the HINFO DNS query type, which means host information. You could have done the same thing with nslookup. The website www.nasa.gov is hosted by Speedera Networks. When you see a website hosted by Speedera Networks or by Akamai Technologies you should have a second thought about hacking it if you're lame. As you can see the Speedera technicians have a sense of humor since the host information is "I Won't" "tell you". What exactly are they not telling us? The system architecture and the operating system.

Let's make another script by modifying trace.pl

```
$ cp trace.pl reverse.pl
```

```
$ vi reverse.pl
```

Here's reverse.pl:

```
#!/usr/bin/perl
@tag=split(/-/, @ARGV[0]);
@ip1=split(/\./, @tag[0]);
@ip2=split(/\./, @tag[1]);
for ($a=@ip1[0]; $a<1+@ip2[0]; $a++) {
for ($b=@ip1[1]; $b<1+@ip2[1]; $b++) {
for ($c=@ip1[2]; $c<1+@ip2[2]; $c++) {
for ($d=@ip1[3]; $d<1+@ip2[3]; $d++) {
$mwe = `host $a.$b.$c.$d`;
chop ($mwe);
chop ($mwe);
if (substr($mwe, 0, 4) ne 'Host') {
$mwe =~ s/.*pointer //g;
print "$a.$b.$c.$d = $mwe\n";
}
}}}}
}}}}
```

And run it like this:

```
$ perl reverse.pl 198.116.2.0-198.116.2.255 > reverse_ARC
```

```
$ perl reverse.pl 198.116.3.0-198.116.3.255 >> reverse_ARC
```

```
$ perl reverse.pl 198.116.7.0-198.116.7.255 >> reverse_ARC
```

```
$ perl reverse.pl 198.120.8.0-198.120.8.255 >> reverse_ARC
```

It will make us a list with all the IPs in the ARC address space that have associated a domain, and print that domain. These lines:

```
If (substr($mwe, 0, 4) ne 'Host') {
```

```
$mwe =~ s/.*pointer //g;
```

are meant to filter the responses, so that the IPs which are not reversible will not appear in the output, and the output will be in the form ip=domain. The two chops remove "." from the end of the query response. If the program doesn't work it's probably because of the filtering, so you'll have to modify it yourself. Learn perl first. I made the script in Ubuntu and it worked fine. When all the reversing is done this is how the reverse_ARC file should look like:

```
198.116.2.4=sisyphus.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.5=nsiss2.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.80=ws0.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.81=ws1.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.82=ws2.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.83=ws3.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.84=ws4.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.90=mcfpv.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.91=mchplj4.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.100=lupine.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.101=dcqmgate.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.103=mikespb.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.104=fugitive.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.105=camelot.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.106=avalon.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.107=grmiller.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.108=jeeves.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.110=phoenix.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.120=whitman.nsi.nasa.gov
```

198.116.2.211=msdoze.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.217=mcn-fbsd.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.218=mcn-ms.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.219=mcn-test1.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.2.220=mcn-test2.nsi.nasa.gov
198.116.3.21=biz.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.22=slim.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.23=jonah.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.24=aviation-server.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.25=mobydick.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.26=shamu.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.27=workbench.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.28=patient-safety.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.29=patientdb.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.30=psrs-backup.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.31=psrs-server.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.32=dbtest.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.33=titan-server.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.34=humphrey.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.35=perilog01.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.36=perilog02.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.37=perilog03.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.51=shos-dell.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.52=sues-dell.arc.nasa.gov
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198.116.3.55=harveys-dell.arc.nasa.gov
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198.116.3.57=andrews-dell.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.58=psrs-travel.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.59=eds-dell.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.60=donnas-dell.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.61=barbs-laptop.arc.nasa.gov
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198.116.3.68=dons-dell.arc.nasa.gov
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198.116.3.70=dans-dell.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.71=pauls-dell.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.72=freds-dell.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.73=steves-dell.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.76=mikes-dell.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.78=jeppview.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.79=dons-g4.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.80=marianas-g4.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.81=calvins-g4.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.82=teds-g4.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.83=chucks-g4.arc.nasa.gov
198.116.3.84=daves-g4.arc.nasa.gov
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198.116.3.87=lindas-g4.arc.nasa.gov
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198.116.7.6=mail.lmsal.com
198.116.7.7=cat4006-b252lmsal-109-a.lmsal.com
198.116.7.8=www.lmsal.com
198.116.7.10=dns.lmsal.com
198.116.7.11=sagnet.lmsal.com
198.116.7.12=sagnetp1.lmsal.com
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198.116.7.233=wap2.lmsal.com
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198.116.7.236=talofa.lmsal.com
198.116.7.237=tqcm-pc1.lmsal.com
198.116.7.238=redsox.lmsal.com
198.116.7.239=gpibenet3.lmsal.com
198.116.7.240=moonrise.lmsal.com
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198.116.7.243=GoBlue.lmsal.com
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198.120.8.39=thumper.arc.nasa.gov
198.120.8.40=skutter.arc.nasa.gov

Pretty neat eh? Choosing the first target from such a big list is not easy. But the advantage is that there are so many possible targets, that a few of them will be vulnerable for sure. We'll consider all these IPs as possible targets since ARC wouldn't have assigned a domain to an IP unless it was something there... What could that "something" be? Here's an incomplete list:

- UNIX-based Server
- NT Server
- Netware Server
- Mac Server
- WAP (Wireless Access Point)

- Firewall
- Router (forwards packets between networks)
- PBX (Private Branch Exchange – this is a telephone switching system)
- Switch
- Hub
- Terminal Server (device that allows dial-up connections to enter a network)
- Bridge (device connecting 2 networks)
- Videoconferencing Server / Webcam
- VoIP Phone / VoIP Gateway / POTS<->VoIP Adapter
- Load Balancer (distributes traffic in an optimal manner)
- Power Controller (provides reset capability to unattended equipment)
- UPS Network Management Card (manages the UPSs protecting servers and network equipment)
- Printer / Print Server
- PDA (Personal Digital Assistant – strangely you can find shit like that connected to the internet)
- Game Console
- Fileserver (a set of hard drives that make up the majority of disk space available in a network)
- Web Proxy
- VPN device (Virtual Private Network – offers a secure way to connect to a remote network as if you where actually in that network)
- Encryption Accelerator (encrypts IP packets so you don't have to encrypt them yourself. This way your processor does less thinking.)

Now let's find host information for each IP from the reverse_ARC list. The list must be in this form for our script to work:

ip1=domain1

ip2=domain2

Here's the script that will do the hinfo querying for us. We'll name it hinfo.pl:

```
#!/usr/bin/perl
$file=@ARGV[0];
open(DAT, $file) || die("Could not open file!");
@content=<DAT>;
close(DAT);
foreach $both (@content)
{
    @tag=split(/=/,$both);
    $ip=@tag[0];
    $domain=@tag[1];
    chop($domain);
    $hinfo = `host -t hinfo $domain`;
    chop($hinfo);
    if (($hinfo eq "") || (substr($hinfo, 0, 4) eq "Host")) {}
    else
    {
        print "$ip=$domain";
        $hinfo =~ s/.*host information //g;
        print " ($hinfo)\n";
    }
}
```

Let's run it:

```
$ perl hinfo.pl reverse_ARC > reverse_ARC_with_HINFO
```

The resulting file should look like this:

```
nabu@ubuntu:~/mapping$ ./hinfo.pl reverse_ARC &> reverse_ARC_with_HINFO
nabu@ubuntu:~/mapping$ cat reverse_ARC_with_HINFO
198.116.2.4=sisyphus.nsi.nasa.gov ("PC386" "Linux")
198.116.2.5=nsiss2.nsi.nasa.gov ("Sun Sparc 2" "N/A")
198.116.2.80=ws0.nsi.nasa.gov ("Temporary" "N/A")
198.116.2.81=ws1.nsi.nasa.gov ("Temporary" "N/A")
198.116.2.82=ws2.nsi.nasa.gov ("Temporary" "N/A")
198.116.2.83=ws3.nsi.nasa.gov ("Temporary" "N/A")
198.116.2.90=mcfpv.nsi.nasa.gov ("Shiva Fastpath V" "N/A")
198.116.2.91=mchplj4.nsi.nasa.gov ("HP Laserjet4si" "N/A")
198.116.2.100=lupine.nsi.nasa.gov ("Sun-4/60" "SunOS")
198.116.2.101=dcqmgate.nsi.nasa.gov ("Mac" "MACOS")
198.116.2.105=camelot.nsi.nasa.gov ("Temporary" "N/A")
198.116.2.110=phoenix.nsi.nasa.gov ("Quadra 700" "MacOS")
nabu@ubuntu:~/mapping$ █
```

Yap it's sad... they only gave us informations about a few of their hosts... and probably inaccurate informations. We'll thank them for what we have and we'll go further. Let's find the location of each IP from the reverse_ARC list. If we wanted to do it manually we had lots of methods to choose from. I've already shown you one a few pages before:

1. www.ip2location.com/free.asp

This uses the IP2Location software which is very expensive. The disadvantage when using their geolocation free service is that you can only use it 20 times per day. If you change proxy from time to time you'll be able to use it 2000 times per day, but that's illegal (who cares).

2. The most accurate method but the one that most of the time won't work is `host -t loc`. Try it in your console:

```
$ host -t loc yahoo.com
```

This works.

```
nabu@altos:~$ host -t loc yahoo.com
yahoo.com location 37 23 30.900 N 121 59 19.000 W 7.00m 100m 100m 2m
```

Now try:

```
$ host -t loc sisyphus.arc.nasa.gov
```

No response.

3. Using the GeoSelect software is also pretty accurate. Go to:

<http://www.geobytes.com/IpLocator.htm>

and input the IP address for sisyphus.arc.nasa.gov. It will give you a very detailed response, and it will also pinpoint the location on a map.

You can do the same by imputing the IP address at the end of this URL:

<http://www.geobytes.com/IpLocator.htm?GetLocation&&ipaddress=>

The same proxy thing can be done here if they block your access.

4. The NetGeo Database. Old. Inaccurate. You don't wanna use it. They should win the contest "Most Stupid Database". I only told you about NetGeo because I want you to make fun of them.

<http://netgeo.caida.org/perl/netgeo.cgi?target=198.116.2.4>

Let's make a script that will be given an IP range and will create files with the IPs in that range, followed by the location. For our script to work you'll have to install the MaxMind GeoLite City database and the perl API for it. You can find a guide that will help you to do it on the MaxMind website (www.maxmind.com). If I remember correctly all the steps, that's how I did it on my Ubuntu Linux:

```
$ mkdir other
$ cd other
$ wget http://www.maxmind.com/download/geoip/database/GeoLiteCity.dat.gz
$ gunzip GeoLiteCity.dat.gz
$ sudo mkdir /usr/local/share/GeoIP
$ sudo mv GeoLiteCity.dat /usr/local/share/GeoIP/
$ wget http://www.maxmind.com/download/geoip/api/c/GeoIP-1.3.14.tar.gz
$ tar xvfz GeoIP-1.3.14.tar.gz
$ cd GeoIP-1.3.14
$ ./configure (gave an error so I had to...)
$ sudo apt-get install zlib1g-dev
$ ./configure (now it worked)
$ make
$ sudo make install
$ cd ..
$ wget http://www.maxmind.com/download/geoip/api/perl/Geo-IP-1.27.tar.gz
$ tar xvfz Geo-IP-1.27.tar.gz
$ cd Geo-IP-1.27
$ perl Makefile.PL
$ make
$ sudo make install
$ cd ../..
$ vi geolocate.pl
```

And this is geolocate.pl:

```
#!/usr/bin/perl
use Geo::IP;
@tag=split(/-/, @ARGV[0]);
@ip1=split(/\./, @tag[0]);
@ip2=split(/\./, @tag[1]);
for ($a=@ip1[0]; $a<1+@ip2[0]; $a++) {
for ($b=@ip1[1]; $b<1+@ip2[1]; $b++) {
for ($c=@ip1[2]; $c<1+@ip2[2]; $c++) {
for ($d=@ip1[3]; $d<1+@ip2[3]; $d++) {
my $gi = Geo::IP->open("/usr/local/share/GeoIP/GeoIPCity.dat", GEOIP_STANDARD);
my $r = $gi->record_by_name("$a.$b.$c.$d");
$file=$r->city;
open(DAT,">>$file") || die("Cannot open file");
print DAT "$a.$b.$c.$d=".$r->country_name.", ".$r->city."\n";
close(DAT);
}}}}}
```

While this script will give fast and accurate results for most of the IP ranges, it won't work that well for ARC. So we won't use it. Instead we'll use methods 1 and 3. We'll discover that the first block (198.116.2.*) is located in Houston, Texas, the second (198.116.3.*) in Cupertino, California, the third (198.116.7.*) in Palo Alto, California, which is really close with Cupertino and the last one (198.120.8.*) in Arab, Alabama.

Next we'll make a script that will try to detect if our target domain has any other subdomains, maybe located in another internet block. How will it work? Well... the concept is quite simple actually. First it will ask Google with a query like this "site:target.com -site:www.target.com" (check Appendix B for Google Advanced Operators), and then will bruteforce our main DNS server using a file called subdomains.txt. You will need a Google key for it to work. Get one from here:

<http://www.google.com/apis/>

\$ vi subdomains.pl

```
#!/usr/bin/perl
use SOAP::Lite;
if ($#ARGV<0){die "perl subdomains.pl domainname\ne.g. perl subdomains.pl lmsal.com\n";}
my $company = $ARGV[0];

##### You may want to edit these lines: #####
$key = "qhHRGPdQFHlf/xiifDWsnhxshXmdHtLV";
my $service = SOAP::Lite->service("http://diva.nhki.net/blog/lib/MT/GoogleSearch.wsdl");
my $numloops=40;          #number of pages - max 100
$already_known_subdomain = "www";
$timeout = 5;
#####

my $query = "site:$company -site:$already_known_subdomain.$company";
push @allsites,DoGoogle($key,$query,$company);

## Remove duplicates
@allsites=dedupe(@allsites);
print STDOUT "\n-----\nSubdomains:\n-----\n";
foreach $site (@allsites){
    print STDOUT "$site\n";
    ## Uncomment this if... but you know why.
    ## system "host -W $timeout $site";
    $subzero = "subs_$company";
    open(DAT,">>$subzero") || die("Cannot open file.");
    print DAT "$site\n";
    close(DAT);
}

print "\n-----\nBruteforcing DNS:\n-----\n";
foreach $subdomain ( `cat subdomains.txt` )
{
    chop($subdomain);
    $subdomain = $subdomain." ".$company;
    $matrix = `host -W $timeout $subdomain`;
    if (substr($matrix, 0, 4) ne 'Host')
    {
        print "$matrix\n";
        $dns_bruteforce_results = "dnsbf_$company";
        open(DAT,">>$dns_bruteforce_results") || die("Cannot open file.");
        print DAT "$matrix\n";
        close(DAT);
    }
}
}
```

```
#####-----subs-----#####
sub dedupe{
  my (@keywords) = @_;
  my %hash = ();
  foreach (@keywords) {
    $_ =~ tr/[A-Z]/[a-z]/;
    chomp;
    if (length($_)>1){$hash{$_} = $_;}
  }
  return keys %hash;
}

sub parseURL{
  my ($site,$company)=@_;
  if (length($site)>0){
    if ($site =~ /\:\/\/([\.\w]+)[\:\.\/]{0,3}/){
      my $mined=$1;
      if ($mined =~ /$company/){
        return $mined;
      }
    }
  }
  return "";
}

sub DoGoogle{
  my ($GoogleKey,$GoogleQuery,$company)=@_;
  my @GoogleDomains="";
  for ($j=0; $j<$numloops; $j++){
    print STDERR "$j ";
    my $results = $service
      -> doGoogleSearch($GoogleKey,$GoogleQuery,(10*$j),10,"true","", "true","", "latin1","latin1");

    my $re=@{$results->{resultElements}};
    foreach my $results(@{$results->{resultElements}}){
      my $site=$results->{URL};
      my $dnsname=parseURL($site,$company);
      if (length($dnsname)>0){
        push @GoogleDomains,$dnsname;
      }
    }
    if ($re !=10){last;}
  }
  return @GoogleDomains;
}
}

```

For our script to work you'll have to install some perl libraries: LWP (<http://www.linpro.no/lwp/>), SOAP-Lite (<http://soaplite.com/download.html>) and URI (<http://www.cpan.org/modules/by-module/URI/URI-1.35.tar.gz>). Also modify the \$key variable so it would use your own Google key. Otherwise it might not work. The script uses subdomains.txt as the source for the subdomains that will try to detect. Here's the subdomains.txt file that I used, I've pasted it here on 5 columns so it would not occupy that much space. You can download it from (www.absolom.ro/downloads/tutorials/subdomains.txt).

3com	aleader	antemium	aradius	augustux
4all	alixe	antomic	asian	aurora
64studio	alt	apache	asianlinux	aurox
64_studio	altos	apodio	asianux	austrumi
a	amarok	arabbix	aslinux	auth
abuledu	amber	arabian	asp	b
accelerator	ankur	arch	asplinux	b2d
access	ankurbangla	arche	astaro	back
adios	annvix	archeos	asterisk	backtrack
admelix	annyung	archie	athene	backup
agnula	anonym	ares	atmission	base
aix	anonyms	ark	atomix	bastion

bayanihan	debxpde	ftosx	insert	livux
bck	deepwater	ftp	inside	lgp
bearops	defender	fw	install	liurex
beatrice	definity	fw-1	internal	lnxbbc
beehive	delli	fwall	internet	local
beernix	demolinux	fwe	intranet	loco
belenix	demudi	fwi	ipchains	lonix
berry	desk	g	ipcop	lorma
biadix	desktop	game	ipfw	lotus
big	desktopbsd	gate	irix	lotusdomino
biglinux	dev	gatekeeper	islack	lotusnotes
bind	devil	gateway	j	lotusserver
biobrew	dizinha	gauntlet	jamd	lrs
bioknoppix	dnalinux	geebox	jblinux	luinux
blackpanther	dns	gelecek	jet	luit
blackrhino	domino	genieos	jolinux	luminux
blag	dominoserver	gentoo	jollix	lunar
blin	download	gentooth	julex	lycoris
blue	dragonfly	gentoox	jusix	m
bluepoint	dragonflybsd	geo	k	m0n0wall
bluewall	dream	geolive	k12ltsp	mac
bonzai	dreamlinux	gibraltar	kaella	madeinlinux
border	dynasoft	ging	kalango	magic
boten	dyne	gnix	kanotix	mail
box	dynebolic	gnoppix	karamad	mailfeed
breezy	e	gnox	kate	mailgate
bridge	eadem	gnu	kateos	mailgateway
brlspeak	eagle	gnulinux	kdemar	mailgroup
bsd	e-bus	gnustep	kernel	mailhost
buffalo	e-business	goblinx	kinneret	maillist
burapha	edu	gobolinux	klax	mailmarshall
business	edubuntu	grafpup	klustrix	mailpop
byo	educd	grml	km	mailrelay
byzantine	eduknoppix	group	kmlinux	main
byzantineos	edulinux	gtw	knopils	management
c	ehad	guadalinux	knoppel	mandows
caixa	elearnix	gulicbsd	knopperdisk	mandrake
caixamagica	elive	gulic-bsd	knoppix	mandriva
caos	elix	gw	knoppix64	max
catix	email	h	knoppixmame	mayix
ccux	e-mail	h3knix	knoppixstd	mcnlive
cd	engarde	haansoft	knoppmyth	media
cdlinux	eridani	hakin9	knoscience	mediainlinux
censornet	erposs	hancm	komodo	medialab
cent	esafe	happy	kondara	medialinux
centos	e-safe	happymac	kore	mepis
chains	esware	hard	kororaa	merdeka
chinese2000	euronode	haydar	krud	miko
cisco	evilentity	hedinux	kubuntu	mimesweeper
clarkconnect	evinux	helix	kurumin	miracle
cle	external	help	l	miros
cluster	extranet	heretix	lab	mizi
clusterix	ezplanet	hikarunix	lappix	mockup
clusterknoppix	f	hispa Fuentes	lan	molinux
cobind	famelix	hiweed	las	momonga
cocreate	feather	hklpg	laser5	monoppix
college	featherweight	hoary	lba	monowall
condorux	fedora	holon	lbalinux	morphix
conectiva	fermi	honeywall	lfs	movix
console	fileserv	hop	lg3d	ms
content	filter	how-tux	lgis	msc
cool	finger	hp	libranet	msclinux
core	finnix	hpjet	liis	msproxy
corel	fire	hpsecure	linare	mssql
corporate	firebox	hpux	lineox	mumi
cosix	firewall	hp-ux	linespa	munjoy
coyote	flash	http	linnex	muriqui
cpubuilders	flonix	https	linnexos	murix
crux	foresight	hub	linpus	musix
cs	fork	hubworx	linspire	mutagenix
cvp	fox	i	linux	mx
d	foxdesktop	ibm	linux4all	my
damnsml	freebsd	ibox	linuxconsole	myah
danix	freedows	icepack	linuxeducd	myahos
dapper	freeduc	idms	linuxin	mylinux
darkstar	freeducsup	ids	linuxinstall	mysql
data	freenas	ignalum	linuxo	n
database	freepia	immunix	linuxplus	nameserver
dc	freesbie	impi	linuxppc	nas
dchub	frenzy	in	linuxxp	nasgaia
deadd	front	indlinux	list	nature
debian	frugalware	info	litrix	natures

navyn	phaeronix	samba	stress	vlan
navynos	phayoune	santafe	stresslinux	vlos
neat	phlak	scanner	stux	vm
nepalinux	phpsol	schillix	stx	vmware
net	piebox	sci	sulix	vnc
netbsd	pilot	scientific	sun	vnlinux
netware	pingo	scilinux	sunjds	voip
network	pingwinek	sco	sunos	voltalinux
netwosix	pix	screen	suse	voodoo
news	plamo	screening	switch	vpn
newsdesk	planb	secret	symphony	w
newsfeed	plan-b	secure	t	wall
newsgroup	pld	securepoint	t2	wan
newsroom	plus	seek	tablix	wap
newsserver	pocketlinux	sense	talinux	ware
nexenta	polarbear	sentinel	talk	warty
niigata	pop	sentinix	tao	wazobia
nitix	pop3	sentry	taprobane	web
nix	pophost	sentryfirewall	tech	webmail
n-ix	popmail	server	telnet	webproxy
nntp	popserver	sftp	temp	webserver
no	poseidon	shabdix	terminal	webswitch
node	power	sharing	tfm	whax
nonux	ppc	shark	thepacketmaster	whitebox
nordisknoppix	pqui	shell	thinstation	who
notes	print	site	thiz	whoppix
noteserver	printer	skole	tilix	wienux
notesserver	printspool	skolelinux	tiny	win
novell	private	slack	tinysofa	win2000
ns	progeny	slackintosh	tle	win2003
ns1	project	slackware	tmp	win2k
ns2	projectdev	slamd64	topologi	win31
ns3	protector	slampp	topologilinux	win95
nst	proxy	slavix	tpm	win98
nt	proxyserver	slax	transfer	win9x
ntalk	ptux	slix	trend	winbi
nubuntu	public	slotech	trendmicro	windows
nuxone	pud	slo-tech	triance	winme
o	puppy	slynux	trianceos	winnit
odc	q	smail	trinity	winserver
oeone	qilinux	smap	troppix	winxp
office	qpop	smartpeer	trustix	wolvix
ogoknoppix	quantian	sme	truva	womp
olivebsd	r	smeserver	trx	work
omoikane	radio	smoothwall	tugux	workstation
onebase	raptor	smp	tumix	wow
onet	rays	smpgateway	tupiserver	write
open	read	smtpgw	tuquito	ww
openbsd	redcreek	snappix	turbo	www
opendesktop	redflag	sniffer	turbolinux	x
openlab	redhat	snofrix	turkix	xandros
openlx	redoffice	snort	tux	xarnoppix
openna	redwall	soft	tv	xenoppix
openwall	remote	sol	u	xevian
oralux	resala	solaris	ubuntu	xfer
os	rescue	sonic	ufficiozero	xfld
out	rhino	sorcerer	uhu	xos
outside	rip	sot	uhu-linux	xp
overclockix	rock	source	ultima	xteam
p	rockscluster	sourcemage	underground	y
paipix	root	soyombo	united	yellow
panther	roslims	speak	unix	yellowdog
parallelnoppix	route	spectra	unseen	yes
pardus	routel	sphinx	ups	yoper
parsix	rpath	sphinxos	user	z
path	rpmilive	spool	userlinux	zen
pbx	rr4	sql	uso	zenix
pcbsd	rr64	squid	ututo	zenwalk
pc-bsd	rsh	squiggle	v	zerahstar
pclinuxos	rsync	squiggleos	vector	zeus
pda	rubix	ssh	video	zonecd
peachtree	runt	stampede	videolinux	zopix
penguinsleuth	s	startcom	vine	
pentoo	sale	station	virtual	
pequelin	salvare	storm	virux	
pfsense	sam	stream	vista	

I'll test the script with arc.nasa.gov and lmsal.com. It will print on the screen its discoveries, and will also create these files: subs_arc.nasa.gov and dnsbf_arc.nasa.gov, respectively subs_lmsal.com and dnsbf_lmsal.com. Let's see the output for arc.nasa.gov:

```
nabu@altos:~/mapping$ ./subdomains.pl arc.nasa.gov
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24
```

```
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Subdomains:
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```

```
issworkshop.arc.nasa.gov
phenomorph.arc.nasa.gov
aefts.arc.nasa.gov
lunar.arc.nasa.gov
grants.arc.nasa.gov
naccenter.arc.nasa.gov
risk.arc.nasa.gov
vams.arc.nasa.gov
ssrl.arc.nasa.gov
nai.arc.nasa.gov
aeronautics.arc.nasa.gov
robotics.arc.nasa.gov
bocachica.arc.nasa.gov
casc.arc.nasa.gov
virtualskies.arc.nasa.gov
uarc.arc.nasa.gov
ecocast.arc.nasa.gov
technology.arc.nasa.gov
clickworkers.arc.nasa.gov
researchpark.arc.nasa.gov
lstworkshop.arc.nasa.gov
externalrelations.arc.nasa.gov
biovis.arc.nasa.gov
safecopter.arc.nasa.gov
pso.arc.nasa.gov
postdoc.arc.nasa.gov
opensource.arc.nasa.gov
colorusage.arc.nasa.gov
gec2003.arc.nasa.gov
impact.arc.nasa.gov
sail.arc.nasa.gov
infotech.arc.nasa.gov
hdcp.arc.nasa.gov
cfo.arc.nasa.gov
surf.arc.nasa.gov
exp.arc.nasa.gov
x500.arc.nasa.gov
astroventure.arc.nasa.gov
appliedit.arc.nasa.gov
wingsovermars.arc.nasa.gov
ficworkproducts.arc.nasa.gov
apms.arc.nasa.gov
worldwind.arc.nasa.gov
moffetthistoric.arc.nasa.gov
topweb.arc.nasa.gov
academy.arc.nasa.gov
rotored.arc.nasa.gov
vision.arc.nasa.gov
space.arc.nasa.gov
cgbr.arc.nasa.gov
hci.arc.nasa.gov
ffc.arc.nasa.gov
quest.arc.nasa.gov
nstars.arc.nasa.gov
pbagroup.arc.nasa.gov
hamradio.arc.nasa.gov
ebpi.arc.nasa.gov
isse.arc.nasa.gov
is.arc.nasa.gov
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mail.arc.nasa.gov
pdars.arc.nasa.gov
nai1.arc.nasa.gov
marte.arc.nasa.gov
astrobionics.arc.nasa.gov
ieeenano2003.arc.nasa.gov
www.simlabs.arc.nasa.gov
environment.arc.nasa.gov
sky.arc.nasa.gov
ails.arc.nasa.gov
erc.arc.nasa.gov
geo.arc.nasa.gov
reentry.arc.nasa.gov
psa.arc.nasa.gov
halfdome.arc.nasa.gov
asm.arc.nasa.gov
robosphere.arc.nasa.gov
web99.arc.nasa.gov
ecs.arc.nasa.gov
asrs.arc.nasa.gov
mas.arc.nasa.gov
generations.arc.nasa.gov
isis.arc.nasa.gov
labcam.arc.nasa.gov
asapdata.arc.nasa.gov
webtads.arc.nasa.gov
history.arc.nasa.gov
astrobiology.arc.nasa.gov
questdb.arc.nasa.gov
ic.arc.nasa.gov
astrobiotech.arc.nasa.gov
abscicon2004.arc.nasa.gov
learn.arc.nasa.gov
procure.arc.nasa.gov
dart.arc.nasa.gov
aerospace.arc.nasa.gov
probews2.arc.nasa.gov
lis.arc.nasa.gov
leonid.arc.nasa.gov
jetstream.arc.nasa.gov
cca.arc.nasa.gov
vathena.arc.nasa.gov
encounter.arc.nasa.gov
abscicon.arc.nasa.gov
nx.arc.nasa.gov
eo.arc.nasa.gov
marsoweb.arc.nasa.gov

Bruteforcing DNS:

aix.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.37.17
aix.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

amber.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.122.83
amber.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

apache.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.73.90
apache.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

asp.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.68.239
asp.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

aurora.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for eos.arc.nasa.gov.
eos.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.119.101
aurora.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for eos.arc.nasa.gov.
aurora.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for eos.arc.nasa.gov.
eos.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

b.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.64.83
b.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

backup.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.152.48
backup.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

box.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.68.73
box.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

coyote.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.173.38
coyote.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

darkstar.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.124.73
darkstar.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

domino.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.119.176
domino.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

dragonfly.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.165.52
dragonfly.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

eagle.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.207.76
eagle.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

email.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.64.51
email.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

feather.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.147.31
feather.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

fedora.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.148.44
fedora.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

finger.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for mailstar1.arc.nasa.gov.
mailstar1.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.4.37
finger.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for mailstar1.arc.nasa.gov.
finger.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for mailstar1.arc.nasa.gov.
mailstar1.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

fire.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.73.113
fire.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

frenzy.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.74.245
frenzy.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

gate.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.102.51
gate.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

geo.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.142.10
geo.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

helix.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.117.32
helix.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

help.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.105.43
help.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

ids.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.64.133
ids.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

in.arc.nasa.gov has address 192.203.230.200
in.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

kate.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.74.92
kate.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

list.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for lists.arc.nasa.gov.
lists.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.2.23
list.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for lists.arc.nasa.gov.
list.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for lists.arc.nasa.gov.
lists.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

lunar.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.2.141
lunar.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

mail.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.31.140
mail.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

max.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.119.151
max.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

news.arc.nasa.gov has address 129.99.34.69
news.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

ns.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.16.2
ns.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

ns1.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.201.2
ns1.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

ns2.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.252.34
ns2.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

ns3.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.0.34
ns3.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

open.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for q12.arc.nasa.gov.
q12.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.205.80
open.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for q12.arc.nasa.gov.
open.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for q12.arc.nasa.gov.
q12.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

out.arc.nasa.gov has address 198.32.136.5
out.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

panther.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.67.62
panther.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

pilot.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

pop3.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for securemail.arc.nasa.gov.
securemail.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.31.141
pop3.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for securemail.arc.nasa.gov.
pop3.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for securemail.arc.nasa.gov.
securemail.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

q.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.205.74
q.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

raptor.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.174.241
raptor.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

rock.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.155.105
rock.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

sam.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.165.66
sam.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

scanner.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.122.114
scanner.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

shark.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.74.61
shark.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

smtp.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.31.150
smtp.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

snort.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.190.38
snort.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

sonic.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.67.209
sonic.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

spectra.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.121.94
spectra.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

squid.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.119.16

squid.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

storm.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.124.65
storm.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

sun.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.64.39
sun.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

t2.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.136.80
t2.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

tao.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.68.74
tao.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

trinity.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.173.20
trinity.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

united.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.128.249
united.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

unix.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.156.36
unix.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

virtual.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for biovis.arc.nasa.gov.
biovis.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.37.205
virtual.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for biovis.arc.nasa.gov.
virtual.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for biovis.arc.nasa.gov.
biovis.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

voodoo.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.119.197
voodoo.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

vpn.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for sounion.arc.nasa.gov.
sounion.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.10.115
vpn.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for sounion.arc.nasa.gov.
vpn.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for sounion.arc.nasa.gov.
sounion.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

wap.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for server-mpo.arc.nasa.gov.
server-mpo.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.195.63
wap.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for server-mpo.arc.nasa.gov.
wap.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for server-mpo.arc.nasa.gov.
server-mpo.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

web.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.2.147
web.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

webserver.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.110.23
webserver.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

win.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.66.88
win.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

windows.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.2.59
windows.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

work.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.147.61
work.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

wow.arc.nasa.gov has address 143.232.64.129
wow.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

www.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for arcnasa.r3h.net.
arcnasa.r3h.net has address 212.162.1.195
arcnasa.r3h.net has address 212.162.1.196
www.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for arcnasa.r3h.net.
www.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for arcnasa.r3h.net.

yellow.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.192.161
yellow.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

zen.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for cca.arc.nasa.gov.

cca.arc.nasa.gov has address 128.102.37.209
zen.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for cca.arc.nasa.gov.
zen.arc.nasa.gov is an alias for cca.arc.nasa.gov.
cca.arc.nasa.gov mail is handled by 100 smtp.arc.nasa.gov.

Jesus Christ... they are giving us so much informations that I'm beginning to think they want to be hacked. We have hosts like snort.arc.nasa.gov, squid.arc.nasa.gov, aix.arc.nasa.gov, sun.arc.nasa.gov etc. etc. etc. lots of them give us too much info about the host itself. If for example we had a 0day exploit for squid (that's an open source proxy daemon) we'd surely know which host is vulnerable. Let's check our script for lmsal.com and then this chapter is over.

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nabu@altos:~/mapping$ ./subdomains.pl lmsal.com
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39
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Subdomains:
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sdo.lmsal.com
blackadder.lmsal.com
ana.lmsal.com
java1.lmsal.com
zorak.lmsal.com
canopy.lmsal.com
shadow.lmsal.com

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Bruteforcing DNS:
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dns.lmsal.com has address 198.116.7.10

ftp.lmsal.com is an alias for sunbeam.lmsal.com.
sunbeam.lmsal.com has address 198.116.7.79
ftp.lmsal.com is an alias for sunbeam.lmsal.com.
ftp.lmsal.com is an alias for sunbeam.lmsal.com.

lotus.lmsal.com has address 198.116.7.247

mail.lmsal.com has address 198.116.7.6

www.lmsal.com has address 198.116.7.8
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== Basic Host Enumeration and (Basic) Techniques to Bypass Firewalls and Intrusion Detection Systems ==

OK. Now let's choose a more specific target from the ARC address space. Let's say LMSAL, the Lockheed Martin Solar and Astrophysics Laboratory. It has hosts all over block 198.116.7.0/24, which as we established earlier is located in Palo Alto.

<http://www.lmsal.com/maps.htm>

What we want to do is find out exactly what computers are powered on in this netblock, and how are they interconnected, so that we can begin hacking them. Trying to scan for open ports a computer that doesn't exist will never give results and will trigger an IDS (Intrusion Detection System) alarm because we sent too many useless packets. NASA => Ames Research Center => the Lockheed Martin Solar and Astrophysics Laboratory... we're talking about a firewalled network which should have a great protection. You don't want to make foolish steps. We have to send as few packets as possible and make it all efficient. For this, we'll install tcptraceroute

<http://michael.toren.net/code/tcptraceroute/> and hping3

<http://wiki.hping.org/download>

Tcptraceroute is a traceroute implementation using TCP datagrams. By sending out TCP SYN packets instead of UDP packets, it is able to bypass the most common firewall filters. If the host that we are tcptracerouting is not listening for incoming connections, it will respond with a RST packet indicating that the port is closed. Since most firewalls will drop our packet if it's not headed to an open port, we'll have to use open ports and existent hosts if we want a complete traceroute. In networks that are not firewalled you can use tcptraceroute however you like.

Hping3 is a packet generator and analyzer for the TCP/IP protocol. It also has TCL scripting capabilities but don't start learning TCL unless you have a lot spare time to waste. If you want to learn a programming language, learn something serious: C++ or if you want to be a software developer in the future try Java or better C# (C sharp)/Visual .NET.

Anyway, once we've installed these tools we'll take our list of target hosts and start discovering which is how.

198.116.7.0	198.116.7.19=sagnetp8.lmsal.com
198.116.7.1=atcnsifw.lmsal.com	198.116.7.20=dhcp20.lmsal.com
198.116.7.2	198.116.7.21=dhcp21.lmsal.com
198.116.7.3	198.116.7.22=dhcp22.lmsal.com
198.116.7.4	198.116.7.23=dhcp23.lmsal.com
198.116.7.5=cat2950-b206lmsal-6a1-a.lmsal.com	198.116.7.24=dhcp24.lmsal.com
198.116.7.6=mail.lmsal.com	198.116.7.25=dhcp25.lmsal.com
198.116.7.7=cat4006-b252lmsal-109-a.lmsal.com	198.116.7.26=dhcp26.lmsal.com
198.116.7.8=www.lmsal.com	198.116.7.27=dhcp27.lmsal.com
198.116.7.9	198.116.7.28=dhcp28.lmsal.com
198.116.7.10=dns.lmsal.com	198.116.7.29=dhcp29.lmsal.com
198.116.7.11=sagnet.lmsal.com	198.116.7.30=dhcp30.lmsal.com
198.116.7.12=sagnetp1.lmsal.com	198.116.7.31=dhcp31.lmsal.com
198.116.7.13=sagnetp2.lmsal.com	198.116.7.32=dhcp32.lmsal.com
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198.116.7.16=sagnetp5.lmsal.com	198.116.7.35=dhcp35.lmsal.com
198.116.7.17=sagnetp6.lmsal.com	198.116.7.36=dhcp36.lmsal.com
198.116.7.18=sagnetp7.lmsal.com	198.116.7.37=dhcp37.lmsal.com

198.116.7.38=dhcp38.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.39=dhcp39.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.40=dhcp40.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.41-198.116.7.59
 198.116.7.60=baldrick.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.61=deploy2.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.62=sundog.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.63=star.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.64=flare.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.65=codonics.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.66=tqcm-pc2.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.67=sunlab1.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.68=wap4.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.69=sxifm3b.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.70=sswmac.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.71=whitney.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.72=visitorptr.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.73=helicity.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.74=xuvpc1.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.75=xuvpc2.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.76=nlfff.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.77=monsww.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.78=evolve.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.79=sunbeam.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.80=stellar.lmsal.com
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 198.116.7.82=zorak.lmsal.com
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 198.116.7.86=eve.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.87=tracer.lmsal.com
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 198.116.7.92=dimming.lmsal.com
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 198.116.7.105=sgiconsol.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.106=r224hp4050.lmsal.com
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 198.116.7.108=secchi.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.109=xrt.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.110=dept.lmsal.com
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 198.116.7.112=sxipc1.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.113=sundown.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.114=faculae.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.115=r204hp8150.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.116=r244hp8150.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.117=cdburn.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.118=printserver.lmsal.com
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 198.116.7.124=nutflush.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.125=remnant.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.126=r204hp5500.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.127=nova.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.128=hmi.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.129=sis.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.130=fppccd1.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.131=fppccd2.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.132=mini.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.133=mhd.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.134=sag.lmsal.com
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 198.116.7.178=sxi.lmsal.com
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 198.116.7.211=darrel.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.212=roadie.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.213=dakota.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.214=theory.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.215=sxiem1.lmsal.com
 198.116.7.216=web1a.lmsal.com

198.116.7.217=soaring.lmsal.com	198.116.7.237=tqcm-pc1.lmsal.com
198.116.7.218=shimmer.lmsal.com	198.116.7.238=redsox.lmsal.com
198.116.7.219=tarbell.lmsal.com	198.116.7.239=gpibenet3.lmsal.com
198.116.7.220=shing.lmsal.com	198.116.7.240=moonrise.lmsal.com
198.116.7.221=plage.lmsal.com	198.116.7.241=shawnee.lmsal.com
198.116.7.222=horus.lmsal.com	198.116.7.242
198.116.7.223=sxiem2.lmsal.com	198.116.7.243=GoBlue.lmsal.com
198.116.7.224=hyades.lmsal.com	198.116.7.244=heman.lmsal.com
198.116.7.225=faze.lmsal.com	198.116.7.245=xuv.lmsal.com
198.116.7.226=jiba.lmsal.com	198.116.7.246=sxt1.lmsal.com
198.116.7.227=cree.lmsal.com	198.116.7.247=lotus.lmsal.com
198.116.7.228=composer.lmsal.com	198.116.7.248=shine.lmsal.com
198.116.7.229=wolfson.lmsal.com	198.116.7.249=notung.lmsal.com
198.116.7.230=hmigse1.lmsal.com	198.116.7.250=gpibenet4.lmsal.com
198.116.7.231=shadow.lmsal.com	198.116.7.251=gpibenet_em2.lmsal.com
198.116.7.232=wap3.lmsal.com	198.116.7.252=hikari.lmsal.com
198.116.7.233=wap2.lmsal.com	198.116.7.253=ccdlab.lmsal.com
198.116.7.234=solserv.lmsal.com	198.116.7.254
198.116.7.235	198.116.7.255
198.116.7.236=talofa.lmsal.com	

The most elementary discovery tool is ping. This sends an ICMP echo_request packet and listens for an ICMP echo_reply. If it comes then the host we've pinged is up. If it doesn't come our ICMP echo_request has probably been dropped by a firewall or the host is down. Usually it's a good idea to ping the broadcast address or the network address of a network. Some hosts might respond. In our case we won't do it, but this would have been the commands:

```
$ ping -b -c 1 198.116.7.0
$ ping -b -c 1 198.116.7.255
```

Let's send a simple ICMP echo_request with hping:

```
root@altos:/home/nabu# hping -V -c 1 -C 8 216.239.59.104
using eth0, addr: 192.168.228.128, MTU: 1500
HPING 216.239.59.104 (eth0 216.239.59.104): icmp mode set, 28 headers + 0 data bytes
len=46 ip=216.239.59.104 ttl=128 id=21856 tos=0 iplen=28
icmp_seq=0 rtt=109.9 ms

--- 216.239.59.104 hping statistic ---
1 packets tramitted, 1 packets received, 0% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max = 109.9/109.9/109.9 ms
root@altos:/home/nabu#
```

`-V` makes our output verbose, `-c 1` means we're sending only one packet and finally `-C 8` means we're sending ICMP type 8 (that's echo_request). I've surrounded the response of 216.239.59.104 (www.google.com) with a red rectangle.

But ICMP type 8 (echo request), isn't the only type of ICMP request. We can expect answers from other ICMP packets as well. These are: timestamp request, information request and address mask request.

Let's try to discover if nasa.gov is powered on with these 3 type of packets.

First we'll use an ICMP type 13 request (timestamp request):

```
root@altos:/home/nabu# hping -c 1 -C 13 nasa.gov
HPING nasa.gov (eth0 198.116.144.49): icmp mode set, 28 headers + 0 data bytes
len=46 ip=198.116.144.49 ttl=1 id=11658 icmp_seq=0 rtt=173.8 ms
ICMP timestamp: Originate=35182675 Receive=83520207 Transmit=83520207
ICMP timestamp RTT tsrtt=175
```

```
--- nasa.gov hping statistic ---
1 packets tramitted, 1 packets received, 0% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max = 173.8/173.8/173.8 ms
root@altos:/home/nabu# █
```

It worked. Host On. Now let's try and ICMP type 17 request (address mask request):

```
root@altos:/home/nabu# hping -c 1 -C 17 nasa.gov
HPING nasa.gov (eth0 198.116.144.49): icmp mode set, 28 headers + 0 data bytes

--- nasa.gov hping statistic ---
1 packets tramitted, 0 packets received, 100% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max = 0.0/0.0/0.0 ms
root@altos:/home/nabu# █
```

It didn't work... no surprise. But keep in mind that this "discovery request" usually works with routers. We could also try to send an ICMP type 15 request (information request), but we can't do it with hping because it doesn't have it implemented (I hope it's on the "to do" list). If you really want to try that too, get the icmpenum program.

<http://www.nmrc.org/project/misc/icmpenum-1.1.1.tgz>

or sing (Send ICMP Nasty Garbage)

http://sourceforge.net/project/showfiles.php?group_id=6994

```
root@altos:/home/nabu# sing -c 1 -info nasa.gov
SINGing to nasa.gov (198.116.144.49): 8 data bytes

--- nasa.gov sing statistics ---
1 packets transmitted, 0 packets received, 100% packet loss
root@altos:/home/nabu# █
```

All these ICMP requests can also be sent to the broadcast or the network address. Hopefully some hosts will respond.

Let's get back to our LMSAL hosts list. I hope you've read the manual of both commands (hping and tcptraceroute). If so, let's start our host discovery with the first hosts:

```
198.116.7.0
198.116.7.1=atcnsifw.lmsal.com
198.116.7.2
198.116.7.3
198.116.7.4
198.116.7.5=cat2950-b206lmsal-6a1-a.lmsal.com
198.116.7.6=mail.lmsal.com
198.116.7.7=cat4006-b252lmsal-109-a.lmsal.com
198.116.7.8=www.lmsal.com
198.116.7.9
198.116.7.10=dns.lmsal.com
```

We see 198.116.7.6=mail.lmsal.com... it surely has a SMTP daemon on port 25, 198.116.7.8=www.lmsal.com it must have a web daemon on port 80 and 198.116.7.10=dns.lmsal.com should listen for DNS requests on 53. Let's test our assumptions.

First we'll send a SYN packet for port 25 to mail.lmsal.com. It should respond with SYN ACK if it allows connections, and RST if not. In both cases we'll know the host is alive because it sent us a response back. If we would have sent our packet to another port, it probably would have been dropped by the firewall. Why? Because it surely has a rule like that:

```
Allow traffic (TCP, port 25) to mail.lmsal.com
Drop any other shit
```

```
root@altos:/home/nabu# hping -V -c 1 -S -p 25 198.116.7.6
using eth0, addr: 192.168.228.128, MTU: 1500
HPING 198.116.7.6 (eth0 198.116.7.6): S set, 40 headers + 0 data bytes
len=46 ip=198.116.7.6 ttl=128 id=22239 tos=0 iplen=44
sport=25 flags=SA seq=0 win=64240 rtt=174.6 ms
seq=2044355617 ack=1069115710 sum=789e urp=0
```

```
--- 198.116.7.6 hping statistic ---
1 packets tramitted, 1 packets received, 0% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max = 174.6/174.6/174.6 ms
root@altos:/home/nabu#
```

`-p 25` means destination port 25 and `-S` means that we're sending a TCP datagram with the SYN flag set. As we can see, 198.116.7.6=mail.lmsal.com sent us a response with flags SA (SYN ACK), so the SMTP service is available, the port is open, the host is on.

198.116.7.6=mail.lmsal.com **ON**

The same basic technique works with the other two hosts. For 198.116.7.8=www.lmsal.com we modify the command so that it will send to port 80 (`-p 80`), and for 198.116.7.10=dns.lmsal.com on port 53 (`-p 53`).

198.116.7.8=www.lmsal.com **ON**

198.116.7.10=dns.lmsal.com **ON**

Probably a better rule on the firewall for dns.lmsal.com would have been:

```
Allow traffic (UDP, port 53) to dns.lmsal.com
Drop any other shit
```

But since it responded to our TCP (SYN) datagram it probably has something like this:

```
Allow traffic (UDP and TCP, port 53) to dns.lmsal.com
Drop any other shit
```

Tcptracerouting to www.lmsal.com and dns.lmsal.com doesn't give us any other useful information except that they're all behind 192.67.126.2. You can test it yourself. In the best case it could have shown us other LMSAL hosts which were routing our packets and that would have meant they were alive.

```
root@altos:/home/nabu# tcptraceroute -f 6 -q 1 -w 10 198.116.7.6 25
Selected device eth0, address 86.107.80.114, port 1036 for outgoing packets
Tracing the path to 198.116.7.6 on TCP port 25 (smtp), 30 hops max
 6 de-fra01a-rd2-pos-5-0.aorta.net (213.46.179.6) 22.144 ms
 7 us-ewr01a-rd1-pos-4-0.aorta.net (213.46.160.146) 69.779 ms
 8 ge-6-4-210.car2.Newark1.Level3.net (4.78.20.129) 79.432 ms
 9 ae-2-54.bbr2.Newark1.Level3.net (4.68.99.97) 74.385 ms
10 ae-0-0.bbr1.Washington1.Level3.net (64.159.0.229) 75.144 ms
11 ae-11-53.car1.Washington1.Level3.net (4.68.121.82) 86.155 ms
12 4.79.228.22 82.733 ms
13 128.161.3.14 84.606 ms
14 192.150.40.253 216.661 ms
15 128.161.21.54 202.896 ms
16 192.67.126.2 204.922 ms
17 mail.lmsal.com (198.116.7.6) [open] 126.873 ms
```

```
root@altos:/home/nabu# tcptraceroute -f 6 -q 1 -w 10 www.lmsal.com 80
Selected device eth0, address 86.107.80.114, port 1037 for outgoing packets
Tracing the path to www.lmsal.com (198.116.7.8) on TCP port 80 (www), 30 hops max
 6 de-fra01a-rd2-pos-5-0.aorta.net (213.46.179.6) 18.266 ms
 7 us-ewr01a-rd1-pos-4-0.aorta.net (213.46.160.146) 85.084 ms
 8 ge-6-4-210.car2.Newark1.Level3.net (4.78.20.129) 80.467 ms
 9 ae-2-52.bbr2.Newark1.Level3.net (4.68.99.33) 82.405 ms
10 ae-0-0.bbr1.Washington1.Level3.net (64.159.0.229) 78.123 ms
11 ae-11-51.car1.Washington1.Level3.net (4.68.121.18) 80.748 ms
12 4.79.228.22 103.624 ms
13 128.161.3.14 122.620 ms
14 192.150.40.253 229.713 ms
15 128.161.21.54 245.017 ms
16 192.67.126.2 245.679 ms
17 www.lmsal.com (198.116.7.8) [open] 227.716 ms
```

```
root@altos:/home/nabu# tcptraceroute -f 6 -q 1 -w 10 dns.lmsal.com 53
Selected device eth0, address 86.107.80.114, port 1038 for outgoing packets
Tracing the path to dns.lmsal.com (198.116.7.10) on TCP port 53 (domain), 30 hops max
 6 de-fra01a-rd2-pos-5-0.aorta.net (213.46.179.6) 33.890 ms
 7 us-ewr01a-rd1-pos-4-0.aorta.net (213.46.160.146) 139.690 ms
 8 ge-6-4-210.car2.Newark1.Level3.net (4.78.20.129) 165.961 ms
 9 ae-2-52.bbr2.Newark1.Level3.net (4.68.99.33) 160.731 ms
10 as-3-0.bbr2.Washington1.Level3.net (4.68.128.206) 124.287 ms
11 ae-21-54.car1.Washington1.Level3.net (4.68.121.114) 117.777 ms
12 4.79.228.22 112.334 ms
13 128.161.3.14 112.788 ms
14 192.150.40.253 151.845 ms
15 128.161.21.54 153.563 ms
16 192.67.126.2 155.356 ms
17 dns.lmsal.com (198.116.7.10) [open] 156.602 ms
```

How can we prove that 192.67.126.2 is the firewall for all these hosts? Well, easy if it's configured by an idiot. We'll send a SYN packet with TTL (time to live) 16 to, let's say, dns.lmsal.com. Since TTL is only 16 it will only get till 192.67.126.2, which is hop 16 in the above trace. Now... if this wasn't a firewall it would send us back an ICMP Type 1 Code 0 packet (TTL exceeded in transit), whatever the port we were sending to. If this was a firewall, it would send back ICMP Type 1 Code 0 only if our packet wasn't already dropped. But remember... it would drop it if it was not destined for an open port. Check this:

```

root@altos:/home/nabu# hping -c 1 -S -t 16 -p 25 mail.lmsal.com
HPING mail.lmsal.com (eth0 198.116.7.6): S set, 40 headers + 0 data bytes
TTL 0 during transit from ip=192.67.126.2 name=UNKNOWN

```

```

--- mail.lmsal.com hping statistic ---
1 packets tramitted, 1 packets received, 0% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max = 0.0/0.0/0.0 ms

```

```

root@altos:/home/nabu# hping -c 1 -S -t 16 -p 31337 mail.lmsal.com
HPING mail.lmsal.com (eth0 198.116.7.6): S set, 40 headers + 0 data bytes

```

```

--- mail.lmsal.com hping statistic ---
1 packets tramitted, 0 packets received, 100% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max = 0.0/0.0/0.0 ms
root@altos:/home/nabu#

```

With the `-t 16` option we set the TTL value to 16. Since in the second case (when we chose a random port) 192.67.126.2 did not respond any more, this is clearly the firewall for our hosts. I hope you understood what I did; it's very easy if you pay attention. We can also use this technique to discover open ports on their hosts using their firewall! So the firewall, which should have stopped us... is actually helping. We thank NASA for its security experts since 192.67.126.2 is on one of their netblocks. Check a port discovery:

```

root@altos:/home/nabu# hping --scan 1-1024 -S -t 16 mail.lmsal.com
Scanning mail.lmsal.com (198.116.7.6), port 1-1024
1024 ports to scan, use -V to see all the replies
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
|port| serv name | flags |ttl| id | win | len |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
21:      1      68 47189 (ICMP 11 0 from 192.67.126.2)
20:      1      68 47190 (ICMP 11 0 from 192.67.126.2)
22:      1      68 47191 (ICMP 11 0 from 192.67.126.2)
25:      1      68 47192 (ICMP 11 0 from 192.67.126.2)
80:      1      68 47193 (ICMP 11 0 from 192.67.126.2)
110:     1      68 47197 (ICMP 11 0 from 192.67.126.2)
113:     1      68 47198 (ICMP 11 0 from 192.67.126.2)
143:     1      68 47203 (ICMP 11 0 from 192.67.126.2)
443:     1      68 47222 (ICMP 11 0 from 192.67.126.2)
674:     1      68 47234 (ICMP 11 0 from 192.67.126.2)
993:     1      68 47257 (ICMP 11 0 from 192.67.126.2)
All replies received. Done.

```

Funny, eh? Their firewall just “scanned” a host for us, between ports 1 and 1024 (`--scan 1-1024`). What we actually did was simply discovering the firewall rules (or the ACL - access control rules) related to mail.lmsal.com and ports 1-1024. This method is called firewalking. There's a tool that automates that, called firewalk, but there's no need to download it since you can use hping for it.

I hope you understood these simple notions, let's continue checking ON/OFF status from the beginning of the list. 198.116.7.0. This is rarely assigned to a real host as I said a few chapters before.

```

root@altos:/home/nabu# hping -c 1 -S -p 22 198.116.7.0
HPING 198.116.7.0 (eth0 198.116.7.0): S set, 40 headers + 0 data bytes

--- 198.116.7.0 hping statistic ---
1 packets tramitted, 0 packets received, 100% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max = 0.0/0.0/0.0 ms
root@altos:/home/nabu# hping -c 1 -A -p 22 198.116.7.0
HPING 198.116.7.0 (eth0 198.116.7.0): A set, 40 headers + 0 data bytes
len=46 ip=198.116.7.0 ttl=128 id=22590 sport=22 flags=R seq=0 win=32767 rtt=12.0 ms

--- 198.116.7.0 hping statistic ---
1 packets tramitted, 1 packets received, 0% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max = 12.0/12.0/12.0 ms
root@altos:/home/nabu#

```

First we sent to 198.116.7.0 a SYN on port 22. It did not give any response, nor RST or SYN ACK. So if it really was a host there, then the firewall was configured to drop our packets because they were destined for a closed port. But, as we've seen before, some people aren't able to properly configure a firewall, although they do it for a government organization. If a host receives an ACK packet, as if we were already connected to them, it will respond with a RST. Firewalls should be configured to not allow ACK packets entering the network, unless they're part of a three-way handshake or a connection has already been established by that source address with the destination address (stateful¹ firewalls can do that). Luckily for us, everything is fucked up in LMSAL's protection. We sent an ACK packet to 198.116.7.0 and the host responded with RST. Host on.

198.116.7.0 ON

Now check 198.116.7.1=atcnsifw.lmsal.com. By the name this could actually be another firewall (atcnsifw, atc = Applied Technology Center?, nsi = NASA Science Internet? or Network Solutions Incorporated?). We don't know what's protecting if it's really a firewall, but we also don't care right now. Let's send an ACK to it.

```

root@altos:/home/nabu# hping -c 1 -A -p 22 198.116.7.1
HPING 198.116.7.1 (eth0 198.116.7.1): A set, 40 headers + 0 data bytes
len=46 ip=198.116.7.1 ttl=128 id=22620 sport=22 flags=R seq=0 win=32767 rtt=9.6 ms

--- 198.116.7.1 hping statistic ---
1 packets tramitted, 1 packets received, 0% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max = 9.6/9.6/9.6 ms
root@altos:/home/nabu# █

```

Again, it worked. Nice job till now.

198.116.7.1=atcnsifw.lmsal.com ON

If we wanted to tcptraceroute to the last two IPs we could have used the `-A` parameter, which would have set the ACK flag on outgoing packets, therefore making the firewall "welcome us in the network".

I'm having a premonition that this methods will work with the rest of the hosts. As homework, make a script that will scan all the remaining hosts

¹ There are two main types of firewalls: Stateless firewalls treat each network packet (frame) in isolation. Stateful firewalls will monitor network connections and treat each packet as part of a connection.

from the LMSAL netblock in a random order. It should display something like this:

```
ON 198.116.7.0
ON 198.116.7.1=atonsifw.lmsal.com
ON 198.116.7.2
ON 198.116.7.3
ON 198.116.7.4
ON 198.116.7.5=cat2950-b206lmsal-6a1-a.lmsal.com
ON 198.116.7.6=mail.lmsal.com
ON 198.116.7.7=cat4006-b252lmsal-109-a.lmsal.com
...
OFF whatever=whatever
...
```

It should also use a delay of 20 seconds before sending each packet, because we don't want it triggering an IDS alarm.

If you want tips in making the script or there's something you didn't understand... post your question on the document's forum (www.absolom.ro/f). Also any comments, ideas etc are welcome.

== What Have We Learned and What's Coming ==

It took me about 20 hours in total to write this tutorial, I hope you enjoyed it. There are some scripts presented in it. These are not the scripts that I use in my hacking adventures; they are merely given because I wanted you to make an idea about what type of scripts you could create. Start from this scratches and make your own shit, because there's a lot of space for improvements. Be inventive.

We have learned to understand "enemy networks" and I gave you lots of basic techniques to do that. I have shown you vulnerabilities in some NASA networks and they might patch them, therefore it would be a good idea to try these techniques on other networks. Since you probably are a beginner try them on fucked up networks. You can find lots of these with Google. Search for terms like "shoe store" or "porn download". While waiting for the next parts of the tutorial make sure you've understood everything in this one, cause things will get more complicated (also much more interesting). Remember that if you won't practice what you've learned you won't fully understand it.

In the next part I guess we'll learn advanced mapping, some port discovery techniques, service detection and maybe OS fingerprinting too. This will help us have a complete image of the target network, with the services it's running, so we can begin exploiting them.

Good luck.

== Appendix A – ICMP Types & Codes ==

ICMP TYPE NUMBERS

The Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) has many messages that are identified by a "type" field.

Type	Name	Reference
----	-----	-----
0	Echo Reply	[RFC792]
1	Unassigned	[JBP]
2	Unassigned	[JBP]
3	Destination Unreachable	[RFC792]
4	Source Quench	[RFC792]
5	Redirect	[RFC792]
6	Alternate Host Address	[JBP]
7	Unassigned	[JBP]
8	Echo	[RFC792]
9	Router Advertisement	[RFC1256]
10	Router Solicitation	[RFC1256]
11	Time Exceeded	[RFC792]
12	Parameter Problem	[RFC792]
13	Timestamp	[RFC792]
14	Timestamp Reply	[RFC792]
15	Information Request	[RFC792]
16	Information Reply	[RFC792]
17	Address Mask Request	[RFC950]
18	Address Mask Reply	[RFC950]
19	Reserved (for Security)	[Solo]
20-29	Reserved (for Robustness Experiment)	[ZSu]
30	Traceroute	[RFC1393]
31	Datagram Conversion Error	[RFC1475]
32	Mobile Host Redirect	[David Johnson]
33	IPv6 Where-Are-You	[Bill Simpson]
34	IPv6 I-Am-Here	[Bill Simpson]
35	Mobile Registration Request	[Bill Simpson]
36	Mobile Registration Reply	[Bill Simpson]
37	Domain Name Request	[RFC1788]
38	Domain Name Reply	[RFC1788]
39	SKIP	[Markson]
40	Photuris	[RFC2521]
41	ICMP messages utilized by experimental mobility protocols such as Seamoby	[RFC4065]
42-255	Reserved	[JBP]

Many of these ICMP types have a "code" field. Here we list the types again with their assigned code fields.

Type	Name	Reference
----	-----	-----
0	Echo Reply	[RFC792]
	Codes	
	0 No Code	
1	Unassigned	[JBP]
2	Unassigned	[JBP]
3	Destination Unreachable	[RFC792]

Codes

- 0 Net Unreachable
- 1 Host Unreachable
- 2 Protocol Unreachable
- 3 Port Unreachable
- 4 Fragmentation Needed and Don't Fragment was Set
- 5 Source Route Failed
- 6 Destination Network Unknown
- 7 Destination Host Unknown
- 8 Source Host Isolated
- 9 Communication with Destination Network is Administratively Prohibited
- 10 Communication with Destination Host is Administratively Prohibited
- 11 Destination Network Unreachable for Type of Service
- 12 Destination Host Unreachable for Type of Service
- 13 Communication Administratively Prohibited
- [RFC1812] 14 Host Precedence Violation
- [RFC1812] 15 Precedence cutoff in effect
- [RFC1812]

4 Source Quench [RFC792]

Codes

- 0 No Code

5 Redirect [RFC792]

Codes

- 0 Redirect Datagram for the Network (or subnet)
- 1 Redirect Datagram for the Host
- 2 Redirect Datagram for the Type of Service and Network
- 3 Redirect Datagram for the Type of Service and Host

6 Alternate Host Address [JBP]

Codes

- 0 Alternate Address for Host

7 Unassigned [JBP]

8 Echo [RFC792]

Codes

- 0 No Code

9 Router Advertisement [RFC1256]

Codes

- 0 Normal router advertisement
- 16 Does not route common traffic [RFC2002]

10 Router Selection [RFC1256]

Codes

- 0 No Code

11 Time Exceeded [RFC792]

	Codes	
	0 Time to Live exceeded in Transit	
	1 Fragment Reassembly Time Exceeded	
12	Parameter Problem	[RFC792]
	Codes	
	0 Pointer indicates the error	
	1 Missing a Required Option	[RFC1108]
	2 Bad Length	
13	Timestamp	[RFC792]
	Codes	
	0 No Code	
14	Timestamp Reply	[RFC792]
	Codes	
	0 No Code	
15	Information Request	[RFC792]
	Codes	
	0 No Code	
16	Information Reply	[RFC792]
	Codes	
	0 No Code	
17	Address Mask Request	[RFC950]
	Codes	
	0 No Code	
18	Address Mask Reply	[RFC950]
	Codes	
	0 No Code	
19	Reserved (for Security)	[Solo]
20-29	Reserved (for Robustness Experiment)	[ZSu]
30	Traceroute	[RFC1393]
31	Datagram Conversion Error	[RFC1475]
32	Mobile Host Redirect	[David Johnson]
33	IPv6 Where-Are-You	[Bill Simpson]
34	IPv6 I-Am-Here	[Bill Simpson]
35	Mobile Registration Request	[Bill Simpson]
36	Mobile Registration Reply	[Bill Simpson]

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| 39 | SKIP | [Markson] |
| 40 | Photuris | [RFC2521] |

Codes

- 0 = Bad SPI
- 1 = Authentication Failed
- 2 = Decompression Failed
- 3 = Decryption Failed
- 4 = Need Authentication
- 5 = Need Authorization

The list was ripped from:

<http://www.iana.org/assignments/icmp-parameters>

== Appendix B – Google Advanced Operators ==

Google ignores common words and characters such as “where” and “how”.
+where +is Romania → will include “where” and “is” in the search, although they are common words. Google searches are not case sensitive.

“where is Romania” → will search for this exact phrase

where is Romania –Dracula → will search for pages containing the first 3 words, but not the last one

~trojan source code → will search for pages containing the word “trojan” or words related to it (backdoor, orifice, etc.) and will search only on those pages also containing the words “source” and “code”

where is Romania cache:www.google.com → will search for the first 3 words in Google’s cache

link:www.absolom.ro → will search for all the pages that contain a link to www.absolom.ro

related:www.absolom.ro → will search for all the pages similar to www.absolom.ro

define:hacker → will provide definitions to the word “hacker”, gathered from various online sources

site:absolom.ro Nabukadnezar → will search for “Nabukadnezar” on the website absolom.ro

allintitle:The Absolom Group → will search websites that have all 3 words in the title

intitle:Absolom Nabukadnezar → will search for pages having “Absolom” in their title and “Nabukadnezar” anywhere on the page

allinurl:packet storm → will search for pages having an URL containing “packet” and “storm”

inurl:absolom Nabukadnezar → will search for an URL containing “Absolom” and going to a page that contains “Nabukadnezar”

For examples on how these operators can be combined to find interesting things on the internet, check:

<http://johnny.ihackstuff.com/index.php?module=prodreviews>