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I. Introduction

A Denial-of-Service (DoS) assault is an endeavor by aggressors to keep the true blue clients from utilizing the data administration. In a DDoS assault, these endeavors originate from an extensive number of circulated hosts that organize to surge the exploited person with a plenitude of assault bundles all the while. Conveyed foreswearing of-administration (DDoS) assaults present genuine dangers to servers in the Internet. DDoS assaults include in soaking the target machine with appeals, such that it can't react to authentic movement. Such assaults for the most part prompt a server over-burden.

To dispatch a DDoS assault, the aggressors first creates a system of bargained PCs that are utilized to produce the colossal volume of activity expected to refuse any assistance to honest to goodness clients of the victimized person. At that point the aggressor introduces assault apparatuses on the bargained hosts of the assault system. The hosts running these assault apparatuses are known as zombies, and they can be utilized to complete any assault under the control of the aggressor. The vast majority of the current procedures can't segregate the DDoS assaults from the surge of honest to goodness getting to.

Generally, DDoS assaults are completed at the system layer. As of late, there are an expanding number of DDoS assaults against online administrations and Web applications.

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These assaults are focusing on the application level. Application layer DDoS assaults may concentrate on debilitating the server assets, for example, Sockets, CPU, memory, circle/database data transmission, and I/O transfer speed. These assaults are normally more productive than TCP or UDP-based assaults, obliging less system associations with accomplish their malevolent purposes. They are likewise harder to distinguish, both on the grounds that they don't include a lot of activity and in light of the fact that they appear to be like ordinary kind movement.

II. Rival Methods

- We have adopted a hidden semi-Markov process to present the behavior of Internet users .The hidden semi-Markov approach is a complex algorithm. When users visit a website, it traces and records the whole visiting history of each user.
- It is noticeable that the hidden semi-Markov method is unlikely to perform effectively in backbone traffic.
- Another typical approach against AL-DDoS attacks is to use CAPTCHA. This method requires users to recognize strings in a fuzzy picture and submit a response to a web server for authentication. However, users sometimes consider this operation as a negative experience to surf the Internet.
- The introduced wavelets to identify anomalies in network traffic. But wavelet analysis is generally a post-mortem analysis and cannot be used for online processing.

Previously proposedsignal analysis of network traffic anomalies mechanism to voluntarily increase the bandwidth utilization of legitimate users. However, this approach cannot reduce the network congestion and the load of web servers. A countermeasure that consisted of a suspicion assignment process and a DDoS-resilient scheduler.

The suspicion process assigns a continuous 'valued vs. binary' measure onto each client session. It further utilizes these values to determine if and when to schedule the requests of a session. However, this approach is still too time-consuming to detect AL-DDoS attacks in large volume traffic.

III. Proposed System

In this paper, we are motivated to design a defense system at the backbone level. This system is

able to detect AL-DDoS attacks targeting Internet web servers. Currently, most of these web servers are deployed together in a data center connecting directly to the backbones. Thus, it is critical to implement an effective method to detect AL-DDoS attacks and filter the malicious traffic in backbones before they causes detriments to the web servers. The proposed system has low complexity and can real-timely run in high volume traffic.

One way to protect from DoS attacks is to allow only authorized clients to access the web server. Compared with non-attack cases, the number of requests in a session increases significantly in a very short time period in DDoS attack cases. Considering the above two issues, a hybrid approach for countering application layer DDoSatttacks is proposed. This approach gives priority to the good (legitimate) clients, while severely limiting the access to the attackers.

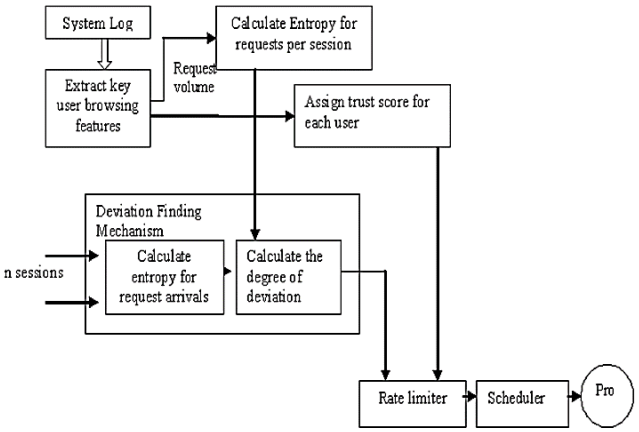
Each client is assigned with a trust value by the server based on the access behavior. A client's trust value is embedded in a HTTP cookie that is included in all server responses to the client. Using the cookie, a legitimate client can include the trust value in all its future requests to identify itself to the server. A client presenting a valid trust value to the server will be given the priority over other requests. New clients are assumed to be assigned with the lowest trust value by default by the server and updated in the response. The trust value varies according to the access pattern of the client. The trust values are assigned in such a way that

trustattacker<trustnew user <trustlegitimate user

In addition, the user's browsing behavior in multiple aspects is extracted from the system log during non-attack cases. Then the entropy of requests per session is calculated. Entropy is an information theoretical concept, which is a measure of randomness. The entropy is employed in this paper to measure changes of randomness of requests in a session for a given time interval. Entropy is applied as a second layer of filtering the suspicious flow. The second filtering mechanism is required to identify an attacker who acts like a legitimate client because, an attacker may behave benignly until it attains a highest trust value and then begin to misbehave.

The detection mechanism is deployed at the server. A session connection request first reaches the system, and then the proposed scheme either drops or forwards the requests based on the trust value obtained in the past session, calculates the entropy deviation of request rate. If the deviation is more (exceeds threshold), then drop the session immediately. Otherwise, schedule the session based on the system workload and the trust value of the user. The client who behaves better in past session will obtain higher degree of trust. The highest trust value first policy is used to schedule the requests for the server.

IV. Block Diagram



The above figure shows system architecture of the application. A session connection request first reaches the system, and then the proposed scheme either drops or forwards the requests based on the trust value obtained in the past session, calculates the entropy deviation of request rate. If the deviation is more (exceeds threshold), then drop the session immediately. Otherwise, schedule the session based on the system workload and the trust value of the user. The client who behaves better in past session will obtain higher degree of trust. The highest trust value first policy is used to schedule the requests for the server.

Analogy The detection of DDoS attack is carried out as follows:

- Initially, the client embeds its trust value ($Trust_{old}$) on the session request (rxy) and sends it to the server.
- The server, on receiving the session request, validates the trust value.
- If valid, it forwards the request (r_{xy}).
- Otherwise, the session is considered suspicious and dropped.
- Then the entropy (H(R)) for the incoming requests in a session is calculated and the degree of deviation with the predefined value is estimated.
- The greater the deviation, the more suspicious the session is.
- If the session is found suspicious, then it is assigned with the lowest trust value and dropped immediately.
- Otherwise, the requests are scheduled to get the service from the web server.
- The trust value($Trust_{new}$) is updated and embedded in the response message of the server for future use.

V. Applying Formulas & Generation of Results

a) Trust value computation

Once the request is accepted, the request is forwarded to the application. When the server sends a response to the client, it updates the trust value as follows:

Let *req* be the client's request and *res* be the corresponding response generated by the server. Let t_{rs} be the time taken by the server to respond for the request *req* and *ut* denotes the utility of the request, *req*.

In this approach, a simple benefit function[2] is used.

$$B(req) = ut - \gamma * t_{rs} \ldots. \quad (1)$$

Where γ is a tunable parameter.

Here, additive increase multiplicative decrease strategy is used to calculate the new trust value.

If B(req) > 0, then the new trust value is computed as follows:

$$Trust_{new} = trustold + \alpha * B(req) \ldots..(2)$$

Otherwise,

$$Trust_{new} = trust_{old} /(\beta(1-B(req))) \ldots.(3)$$

The additive increase ensures that the trust value slowly increases as the client behaves benignly; while the multiplicative decrease ensures that the trust value drops very quickly upon detecting a DoS attack from the client.

b) Entropy calculation

Let the request in a session be denoted as r_{xy}, where x, y I, a set of positive integers. 'x' denotes the request number in session 'y'. Let $|(r_y,t)|$ denote the number of requests per session y, at a given time t. Then,

$$|(r_y,t)| = \sum_{i=0}^{n} rxy \ldots.(4)$$

For a given interval Δt, the variation in the number of requests per session y is given as follows;

$$N_y(r_y, t+\Delta t) = |(r_y, t+\Delta t)| - |(r_y, t)| \ldots. (5)$$

The probability of the requests per session y, is given by

$$P_y(r_y) = N_y(r_y, t+\Delta t) / \sum_{x=1}^{n} \sum_{y=1}^{n} Ny(ry, t + \Delta t) \ldots(6)$$

Let R be the random variable of the number of requests per session during the interval Δt, therefore, the entropy of requests per session is given as

$$H(R) = -\sum_{y} P_y(r_y) \log P_y(r_y) \ldots(7)$$

Based on the characteristics of entropy function, the upper and lower bound of the entropy H(R) is defined as $0 \leq H(R) \leq \log N \ldots(8)$

where N is the number of the requests.

Under DoS attack, the number of request increases significantly and the following equation holds

$$|H(R) - C| > \text{threshold}, t \ldots(9)$$

Where C is the maximum capacity of the session.

c) Rate Limiter

To avoid falsely detection, rate-limiter is introduced. Once the entropy is calculated, compute the degree of deviation from the predefined entropy. The system first sets a threshold for acceptable deviation. If the computed deviation exceeds the threshold, then the session is forced to terminate immediately. Otherwise, second level filter is applied by the rate limiter. The system also defines a threshold for validating a user based on the trust score. A user is considered to be legitimate only if the trust score exceeds the threshold. Otherwise, the user is considered malicious and the session is dropped immediately. The legitimate sessions are then passed to the scheduler for getting service from the server.

d) Scheduler

If the user is legitimate, then the scheduler schedules the session based on the highest trust value first (user with highest trust value) policy. The well-behaved users will have a little or no deviation. In such case, the legitimate user gets a quicker service. In addition to the scheduling policy, system workload is also considered before scheduling the request for getting service.

e) Algorithms

Algorithm to compute the entropy from system log

Input: system log

1. Extract the request arrivals for all sessions, page viewing time and the sequence of requested objects for each user from the system log.
2. Compute the entropy of the requests per session using the formula:

$$H(R) = -\sum y\ P_y(r_y) \log P_y(r_y)$$

a. Detection Algorithm

Input the predefined entropy of requests per session.

Define the threshold for allowable deviation (Td)
For each session waiting for detection
Extract the trust value from the request
Validate the trust value
  If the trust value issued is valid
    Extract the requests arrivals
    Compute the entropy for each session using (7)

$$H_{new}(R) = -\sum y\ P_y(r_y) \log P_y(r_y)$$

Compute the degree of deviation

$$D = |H_{new}(R)| - |H(R)|$$

If the degree of deviation is less than the allowable threshold (Td), then

Allow the session to get service from the web server

Update the trust value

Embed the trust value in the response message and send it to client

Else

The session is malicious; drop it

Else

Assign the lowest trust value to the client Drop the session

b. Expected Table

Table 1: shows the results of client IP address

Client IP Address	Trust value	Degree of derivation	Policy	Attack Type
172.016.112.100	4	20%	legitimate client	no
194.027.251.021	5	10%	legitimate client	no
135.008.060.182	1	50%	suspicious	Ntis attack
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VI. Conclusion

In this paper, an effective and efficient hybrid scheme against DDoS attacks based on trust value and information metric (entropy) is proposed. This approach not only counters the illegitimate flows but also avoids the flooding of the legitimate flows. Further is add detect trust value is used to detect the legitimate user from the attackers at the first level. Then, based on the information metric of the current session, the sessions that are assumed to be suspicious are dropped. The legitimate flows are then scheduled by the scheduler based on the system workload the trust value of the client. Thus the legitimate clients gets more priority in accessing the information and services.

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