

Re: Can one stop attachments to prevent DOS attack?

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In article <c99d2c79.0309260509.460f2193@posting.google.com>, see_my_signature_for_my_real_address@hotmail.com (Dr. David Kirkby) writes:
> "Dr. David Kirkby" <see-my-signiture-for-email-address@nowhere.com> wrote in message news:<3F6E6096.73106623@nowhere.com>...

>> Hi,

>> I'm running a Sun Ultra 80 with Solaris 9. I only has a slow internet connection (56 k), as there is no economic way to obtain a faster one in this rural location.

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>> For the last few days I have noticed the LED on the modem which lights during downloads, is on nearly all the time. Now I'm getting emails from my ISP saying my mailbox is nearly full.

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>> I've now traced the problem. I'm getting sent the blinking Microsoft Security Update patches on average about every 4 minutes.

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> Does anyone have a clue when (if) this frigging thing is likely to stop ?

When it does something will take its place.... maybe even worse.

> Despite the fact I've posted to nesgroups with this email address for only a few days, the hotmail account is already overfull, so messages are bouncing.

WadeA minute – You hate M\$ almost as much as I do but you have a hotmail account?? I already suggested using netscape.net. Admittedly the 5 MB limit and 2 MB attachment limit might be unacceptable..

> Hopefully if enough messages get bounced from everywhere, the ISP's like NTL who are happpy to forward on the viruses will wake up and realise it's not in their interest to do nothing.

Aparently they dont care or havent the infrastructure/expertise to do anything about it.