
Subject: Re: anyone looking to rent server PLEASE READ!!!

Posted by [xptek](#) on Sat, 30 Sep 2006 19:52:30 GMT

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fI00d3d wrote on Sat, 30 September 2006 15:36 IRC is too easy to sniff out, easy to abuse, easy to hijack, spam, etc. It is the reason why so many worms are successful and is the playground for hackers.

Seriously. What are you talking about?

Here's how IRC works:

Server listens on a port.

Client connects to server.

Client joins a channel.

Client PRIVMSGs channel.

Other clients in the channel receive the message.

There's nothing that makes it more susceptible to being "sniffed out" than any other plaintext chat protocol. Most IRCds these days support SSL anyway.

Quote:I definitely would not consider myself a "designer of protocols" though I do know a bit about a lot of stacks, but if I were to take a stab at a new IRC

Okay. This is where things go batshit insane.

Quote:(which I think they're doing for IPv6?)

What does IPv6 have to do with the IRC protocol? At all?

Quote:I would definitely put more control information in the header of each packet so you can prevent the endless number of problems that IRC has in its history. You can't possibly think that IRC is secure, I hope....

Are you talking about TCP/IP or something? It seems like you're a bit confused.

Look at http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/OSI_model some time or something, because IRC has nothing to do with "headers" or whatever the hell you're talking about.