



Information Gathering

Steps in **hacking**

- Information Gathering
- Exploitation
- Maintaining Access
- Clearing tracks

Steps in **pentesting**

- Information Gathering
- Exploitation
- ~~Maintaining Access~~
- ~~Clearing tracks~~
- Documentation
- Report writing

Why we need to know the target?

- Speed up the process of finding vulnerabilities
- Increase the chance of a successful exploitation

What do we want to know?

- Address of our target
- OS type
- Running services
- What type of service software
- Any info on the target



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URL vs Internet address

- URL – Uniform Resource Locator
 - For human
 - Translated to Internet Address through DNS
 - E.g. www.google.com
- Internet Address
 - For machines (and human)
 - The address being used for internet communication
 - E.g. 66.249.89.104

Internet address

- IP address
 - Internet protocol address
- Two versions
 - IPv4 = 66.249.89.104 (decimal)
= 255.255.255.255
 - IPv6 = 2001:4860:0:1001::68 (hexadecimal)
= ffff: ffff: ffff: ffff: ffff: ffff: ffff: ffff

IPv4

- Many forms of IPv4

- Decimal

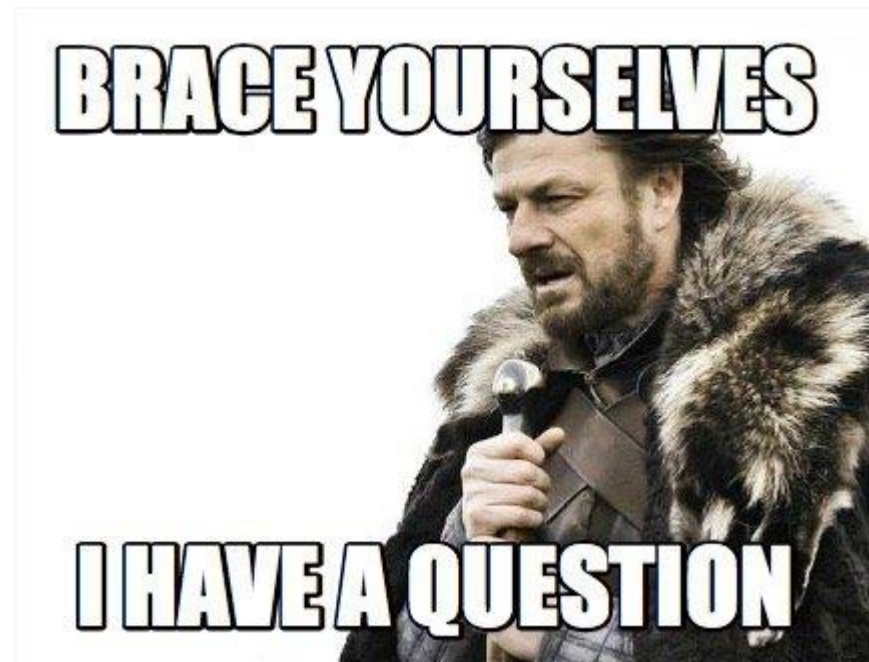
- 66.249.89.104

- Hexadecimal

- 0x42F95968

Question

- What tool can we use to get the IP address of a host?



Favourite answer

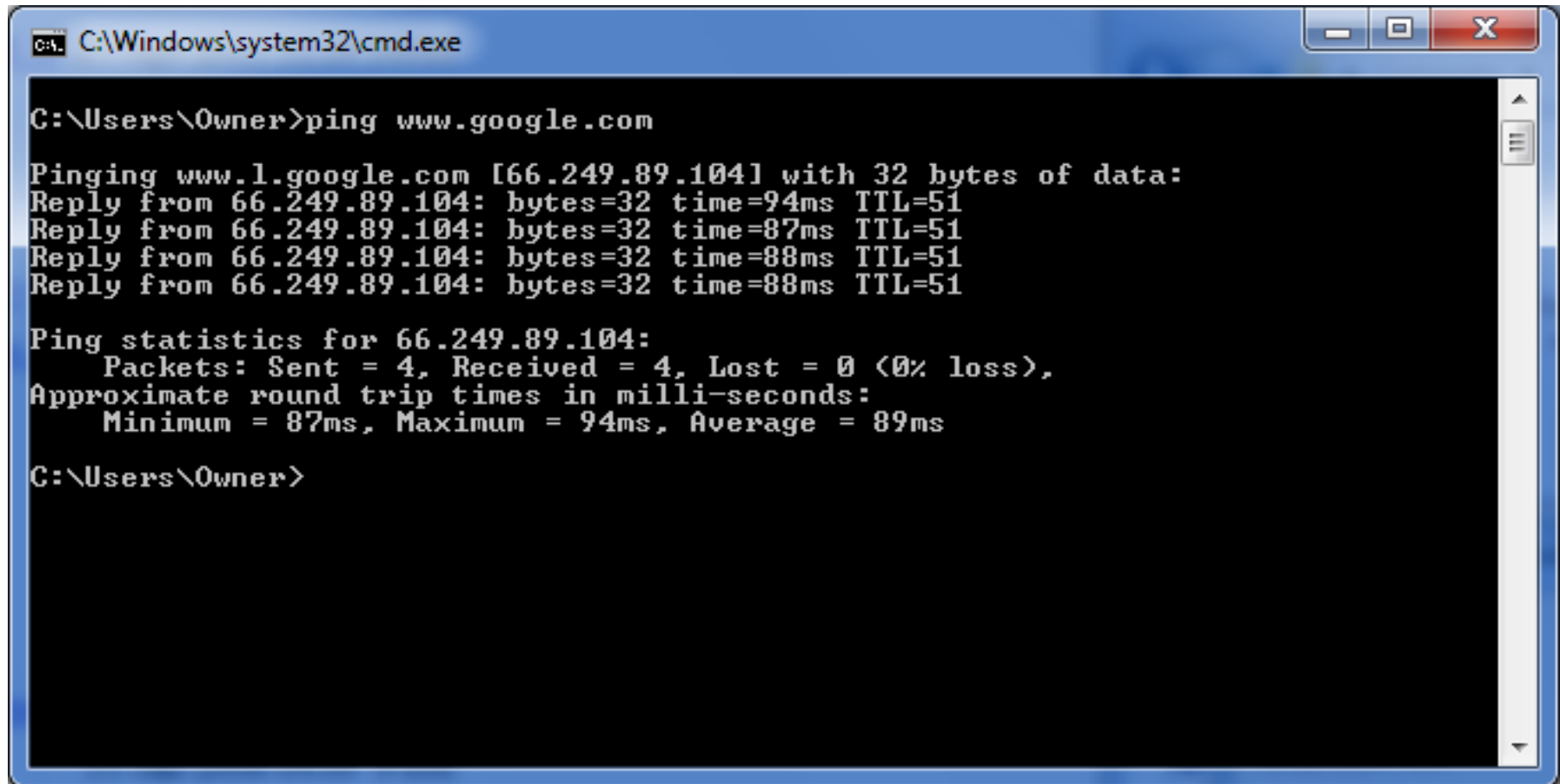
PING

ping

- **ping** is a utility that sends an ICMP echo packet to usually used to check for the availability of a host
- Usage: `ping <host>`
- Example:

`ping www.google.com`

ping in action



A screenshot of a Windows command prompt window. The title bar at the top reads "C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe". The command prompt shows the user typing "C:\Users\Owner>ping www.google.com". The output of the command is displayed as follows:

```
C:\Users\Owner>ping www.google.com

Pinging www.l.google.com [66.249.89.104] with 32 bytes of data:
Reply from 66.249.89.104: bytes=32 time=94ms TTL=51
Reply from 66.249.89.104: bytes=32 time=87ms TTL=51
Reply from 66.249.89.104: bytes=32 time=88ms TTL=51
Reply from 66.249.89.104: bytes=32 time=88ms TTL=51

Ping statistics for 66.249.89.104:
    Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),
    Approximate round trip times in milli-seconds:
        Minimum = 87ms, Maximum = 94ms, Average = 89ms

C:\Users\Owner>
```

ping pros & cons

- Pros:
 - Easy to use
 - Available on all platforms (built-in tool)
- Cons:
 - Cannot change default nameserver (within the tool)
 - Some server might block ICMP echo packets
 - Might only get partial result

Tools to check IP address

- nslookup
- host
- dig



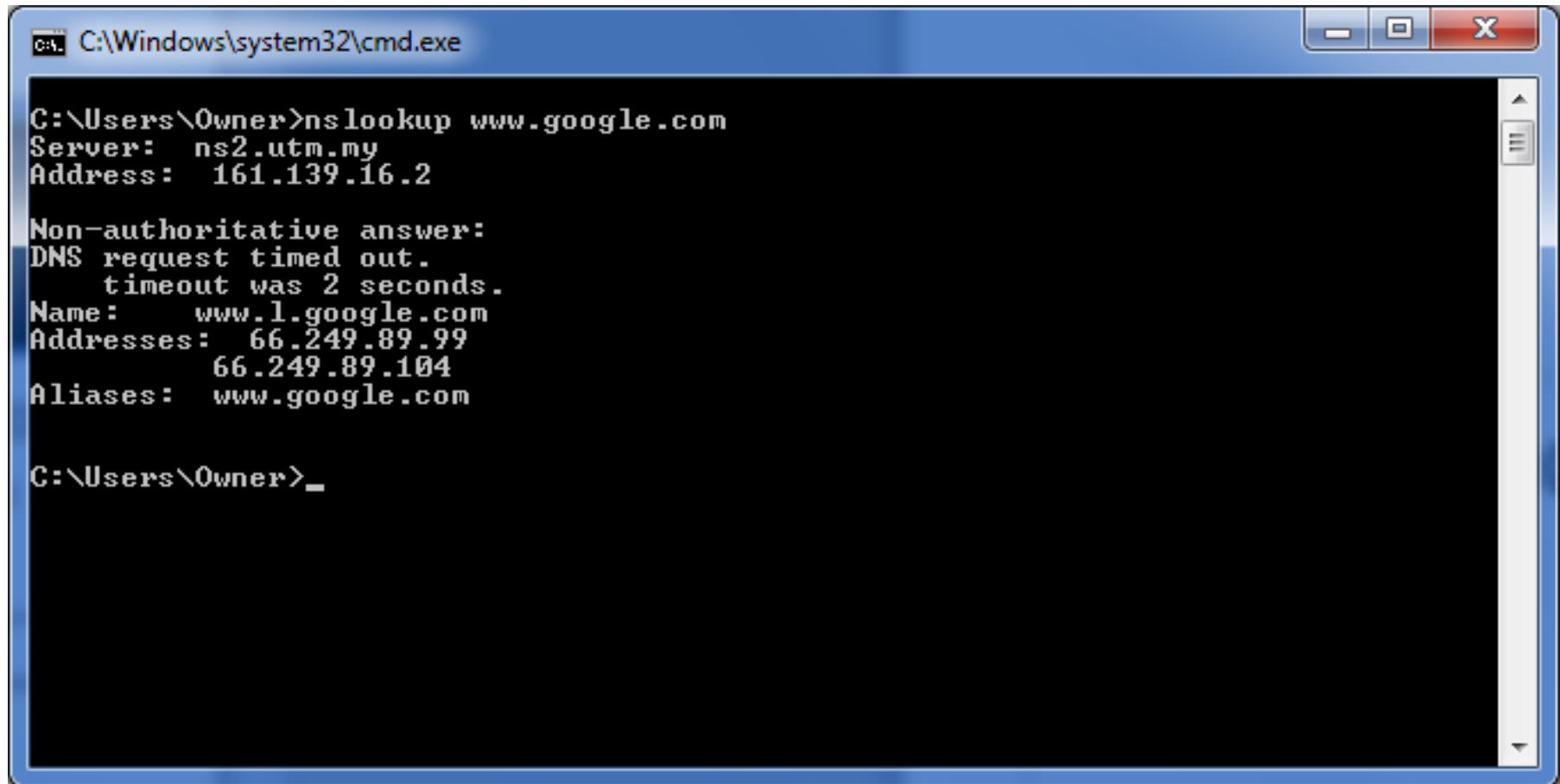
nslookup

- Usage: `nslookup <host> [dns-server]`
- Examples:

```
nslookup www.google.com
```

```
nslookup www.google.com 8.8.8.8
```


nslookup in action

A screenshot of a Windows command prompt window. The title bar at the top reads "C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe". The command prompt shows the user "Owner" at the "C:\Users\Owner" directory. The command "nslookup www.google.com" has been entered. The output shows the server used is "ns2.utm.my" with IP "161.139.16.2". It then displays a "Non-authoritative answer:" followed by a "DNS request timed out." message with a "timeout was 2 seconds." It then lists the "Name:" as "www.l.google.com", "Addresses:" as "66.249.89.99" and "66.249.89.104", and "Aliases:" as "www.google.com". The prompt ends with "C:\Users\Owner>_".

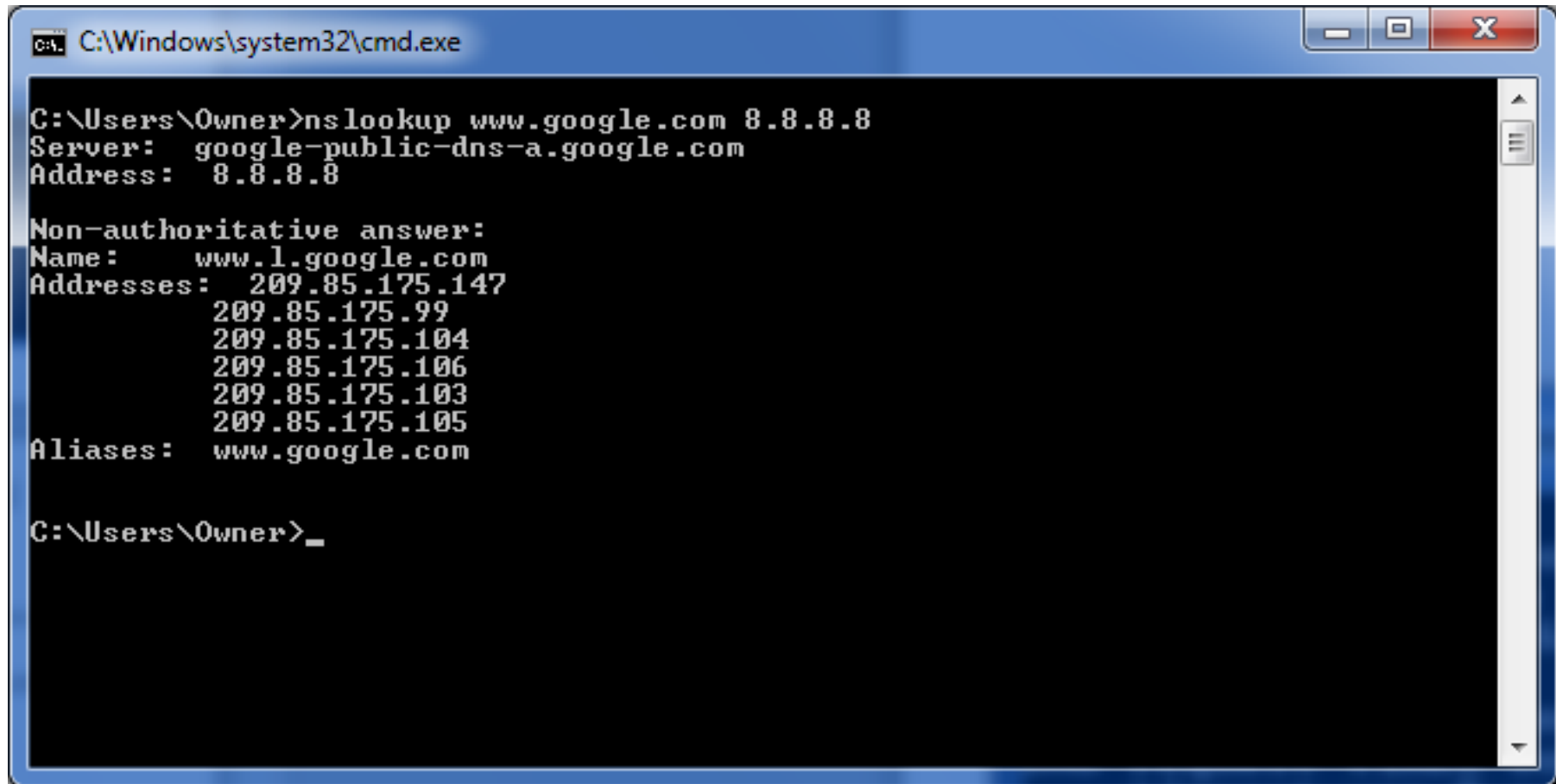
```
C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe

C:\Users\Owner>nslookup www.google.com
Server:  ns2.utm.my
Address:  161.139.16.2

Non-authoritative answer:
DNS request timed out.
    timeout was 2 seconds.
Name:     www.l.google.com
Addresses: 66.249.89.99
           66.249.89.104
Aliases:  www.google.com

C:\Users\Owner>_
```

nslookup in action (cont.)

A screenshot of a Windows command prompt window. The title bar at the top reads "C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe". The command prompt shows the user "Owner" at the "C:\Users\Owner" directory. The command entered is "nslookup www.google.com 8.8.8.8". The output shows the DNS server used is "google-public-dns-a.google.com" and the IP address is "8.8.8.8". It then displays a "Non-authoritative answer:" for "www.l.google.com" with several IP addresses: "209.85.175.147", "209.85.175.99", "209.85.175.104", "209.85.175.106", "209.85.175.103", and "209.85.175.105". The aliases are listed as "www.google.com". The prompt ends with "C:\Users\Owner>_".

```
C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe

C:\Users\Owner>nslookup www.google.com 8.8.8.8
Server:  google-public-dns-a.google.com
Address:  8.8.8.8

Non-authoritative answer:
Name:     www.l.google.com
Addresses: 209.85.175.147
           209.85.175.99
           209.85.175.104
           209.85.175.106
           209.85.175.103
           209.85.175.105
Aliases:  www.google.com

C:\Users\Owner>_
```

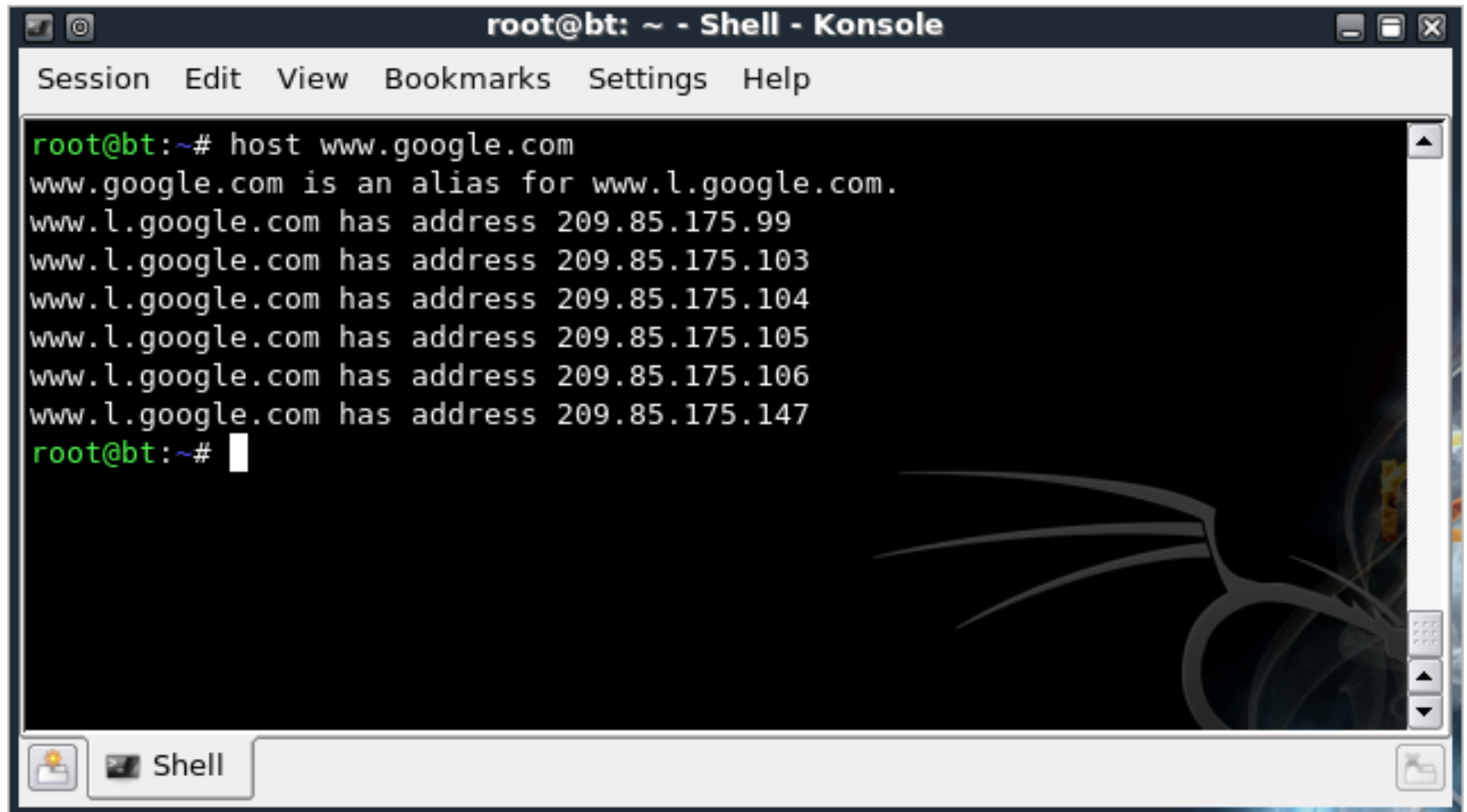
host

- Usage: `host <host> [dns-server]`
- Examples:

```
host www.google.com
```

```
host www.google.com 8.8.8.8
```

host in action



```
root@bt: ~ - Shell - Konsole
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root@bt:~# host www.google.com
www.google.com is an alias for www.l.google.com.
www.l.google.com has address 209.85.175.99
www.l.google.com has address 209.85.175.103
www.l.google.com has address 209.85.175.104
www.l.google.com has address 209.85.175.105
www.l.google.com has address 209.85.175.106
www.l.google.com has address 209.85.175.147
root@bt:~#
```

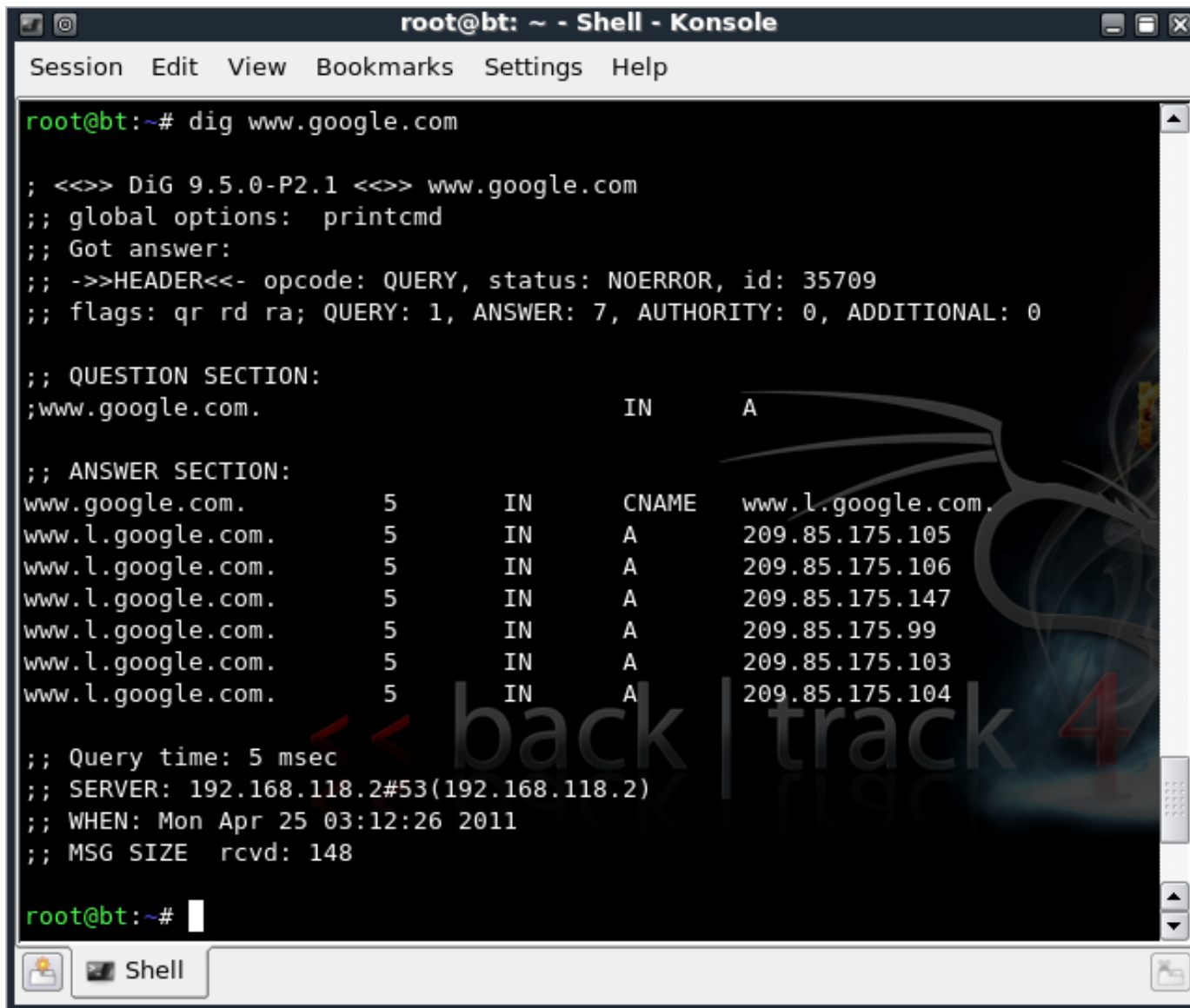
dig

- Usage: `dig [host] [@dns-server]`
- Examples:

```
dig www.google.com
```

```
dig www.google.com @8.8.8.8
```

dig in action

A screenshot of a terminal window titled "root@bt: ~ - Shell - Konsole". The terminal shows the execution of the "dig www.google.com" command. The output includes the DiG version (9.5.0-P2.1), global options (printcmd), and the query details (opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 35709). It also shows the QUESTION SECTION and the ANSWER SECTION, which lists several IP addresses for www.l.google.com. The query time is 5 msec, the server is 192.168.118.2#53, and the message size is 148. A large, semi-transparent watermark "back | track 4" is visible across the bottom half of the terminal output.

```
root@bt: ~ - Shell - Konsole
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root@bt:~# dig www.google.com

; <<>> DiG 9.5.0-P2.1 <<>> www.google.com
;; global options: printcmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 35709
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 7, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 0

;; QUESTION SECTION:
;www.google.com.                IN      A

;; ANSWER SECTION:
www.google.com.                5       IN      CNAME   www.l.google.com.
www.l.google.com.              5       IN      A        209.85.175.105
www.l.google.com.              5       IN      A        209.85.175.106
www.l.google.com.              5       IN      A        209.85.175.147
www.l.google.com.              5       IN      A        209.85.175.99
www.l.google.com.              5       IN      A        209.85.175.103
www.l.google.com.              5       IN      A        209.85.175.104

;; Query time: 5 msec
;; SERVER: 192.168.118.2#53(192.168.118.2)
;; WHEN: Mon Apr 25 03:12:26 2011
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 148

root@bt:~#
```

Which tool to use?

- Depends on availability and personal preference
- Suggestion:
 - `ping` NOT RECOMMENDED !
 - Go for `nslookup` / `host` / `dig`

What do we want to know?

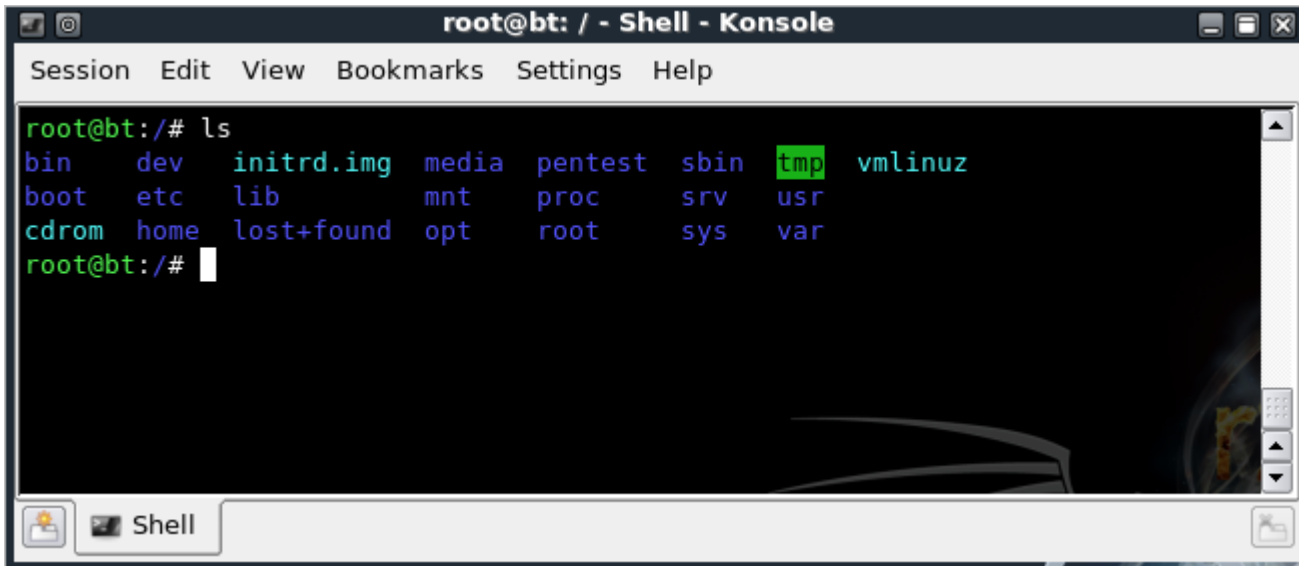
- Address of our target
- **OS type**
- Running services
- Exact version of software
- Any info on the target



Operating Systems

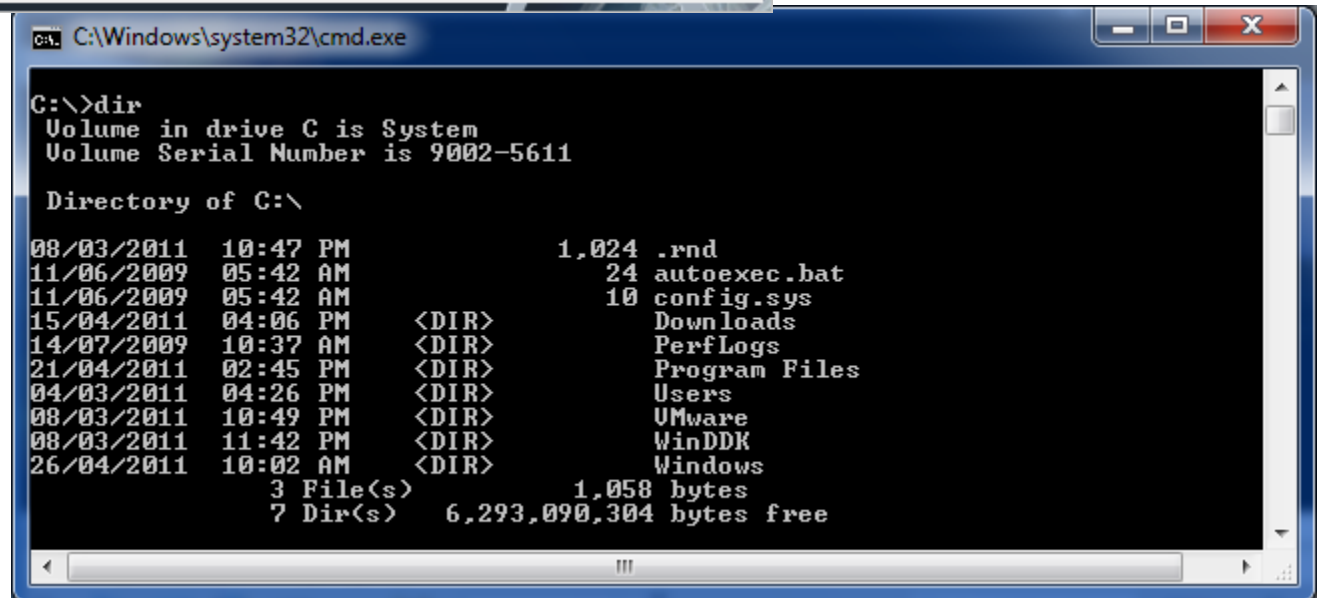
- OS – Software that runs/manages the computer and its services
- Different OS uses different sets of command and may do things differently
- Example:
 - Show list of files:
 - **ls** = linux/unix
 - **dir** = windows

ls vs dir



```
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root@bt:/# ls
bin    dev    initrd.img  media  pentest  sbin  tmp  vmlinuz
boot   etc    lib         mnt    proc     srv   usr
cdrom  home   lost+found  opt    root     sys   var
root@bt:/#
```



```
C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe

C:\>dir
Volume in drive C is System
Volume Serial Number is 9002-5611

Directory of C:\

08/03/2011  10:47 PM                1,024 .rnd
11/06/2009  05:42 AM                  24 autoexec.bat
11/06/2009  05:42 AM                 10 config.sys
15/04/2011  04:06 PM                <DIR> Downloads
14/07/2009  10:37 AM                <DIR> PerfLogs
21/04/2011  02:45 PM                <DIR> Program Files
04/03/2011  04:26 PM                <DIR> Users
08/03/2011  10:49 PM                <DIR> VMware
08/03/2011  11:42 PM                <DIR> WinDDK
26/04/2011  10:02 AM                <DIR> Windows
               3 File(s)              1,058 bytes
               7 Dir(s)  6,293,090,304 bytes free
```

Why we need to know the OS?

- Lets say that we found a vulnerability in a system that allows us to execute commands on the remote OS
- We send the command:
net user hacker 123456 /add
- However, we scratch our head wondering why the command didn't work
- Hint: The target is a linux machine

Tools to OS fingerprinting

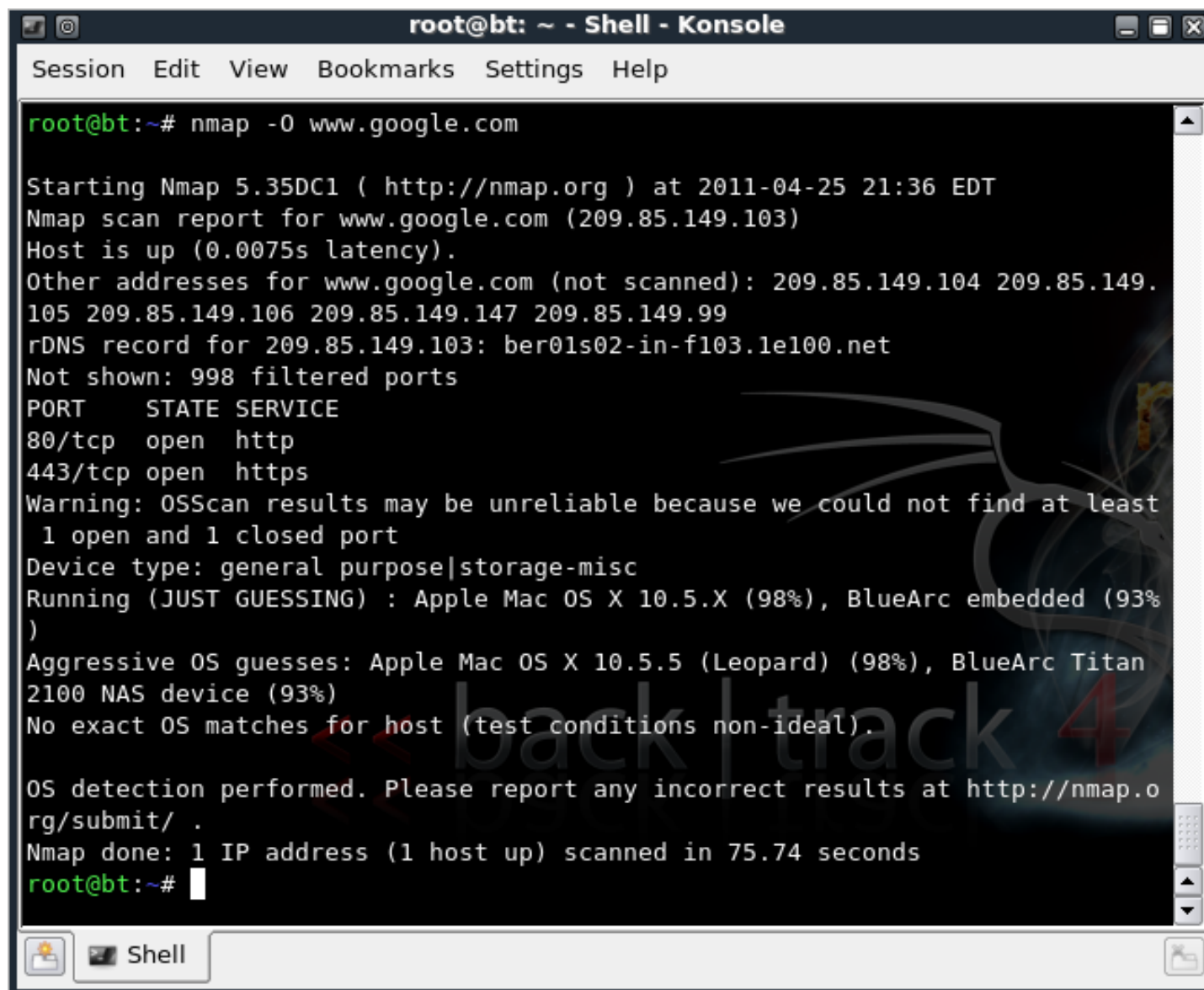
- **nmap**
- **xprobe2**

nmap

- **nmap** - network **m**apper
- a multipurpose tool for OS detection, port scanning, & service software detection
- Option -O (capital 'O') is for OS detection
- Usage: `nmap [options] <host>`
- Example:

`nmap -O www.google.com`

nmap in action



The image shows a terminal window titled "root@bt: ~ - Shell - Konsole". The terminal displays the output of an nmap scan command: `nmap -O www.google.com`. The output includes the Nmap version (5.35DC1), the scan time (2011-04-25 21:36 EDT), the target IP (209.85.149.103), and a list of other addresses for the domain. It also shows the rDNS record (ber01s02-in-f103.1e100.net) and a list of open ports (80/tcp and 443/tcp) with their corresponding services (http and https). A warning is issued about the reliability of OS scan results. The terminal also shows the device type (general purpose|storage-misc) and the results of OS detection (Apple Mac OS X 10.5.X (98%), BlueArc embedded (93%), Apple Mac OS X 10.5.5 (Leopard) (98%), BlueArc Titan 2100 NAS device (93%)). The scan is completed in 75.74 seconds. A large, semi-transparent watermark "back|track 4" is visible across the terminal output.

```
root@bt:~# nmap -O www.google.com

Starting Nmap 5.35DC1 ( http://nmap.org ) at 2011-04-25 21:36 EDT
Nmap scan report for www.google.com (209.85.149.103)
Host is up (0.0075s latency).
Other addresses for www.google.com (not scanned): 209.85.149.104 209.85.149.105 209.85.149.106 209.85.149.147 209.85.149.99
rDNS record for 209.85.149.103: ber01s02-in-f103.1e100.net
Not shown: 998 filtered ports
PORT      STATE SERVICE
80/tcp    open  http
443/tcp   open  https
Warning: OSscan results may be unreliable because we could not find at least
  1 open and 1 closed port
Device type: general purpose|storage-misc
Running (JUST GUESSING) : Apple Mac OS X 10.5.X (98%), BlueArc embedded (93%)
Aggressive OS guesses: Apple Mac OS X 10.5.5 (Leopard) (98%), BlueArc Titan
2100 NAS device (93%)
No exact OS matches for host (test conditions non-ideal).

OS detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at http://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 75.74 seconds
root@bt:~#
```

xprobe2

- **xprobe2** is an OS fingerprinting tool
- uses multiple approaches for OS detection
- Usage: `xprobe2 <host>`
- Example:

`xprobe2 www.google.com`

xprobe2 in action

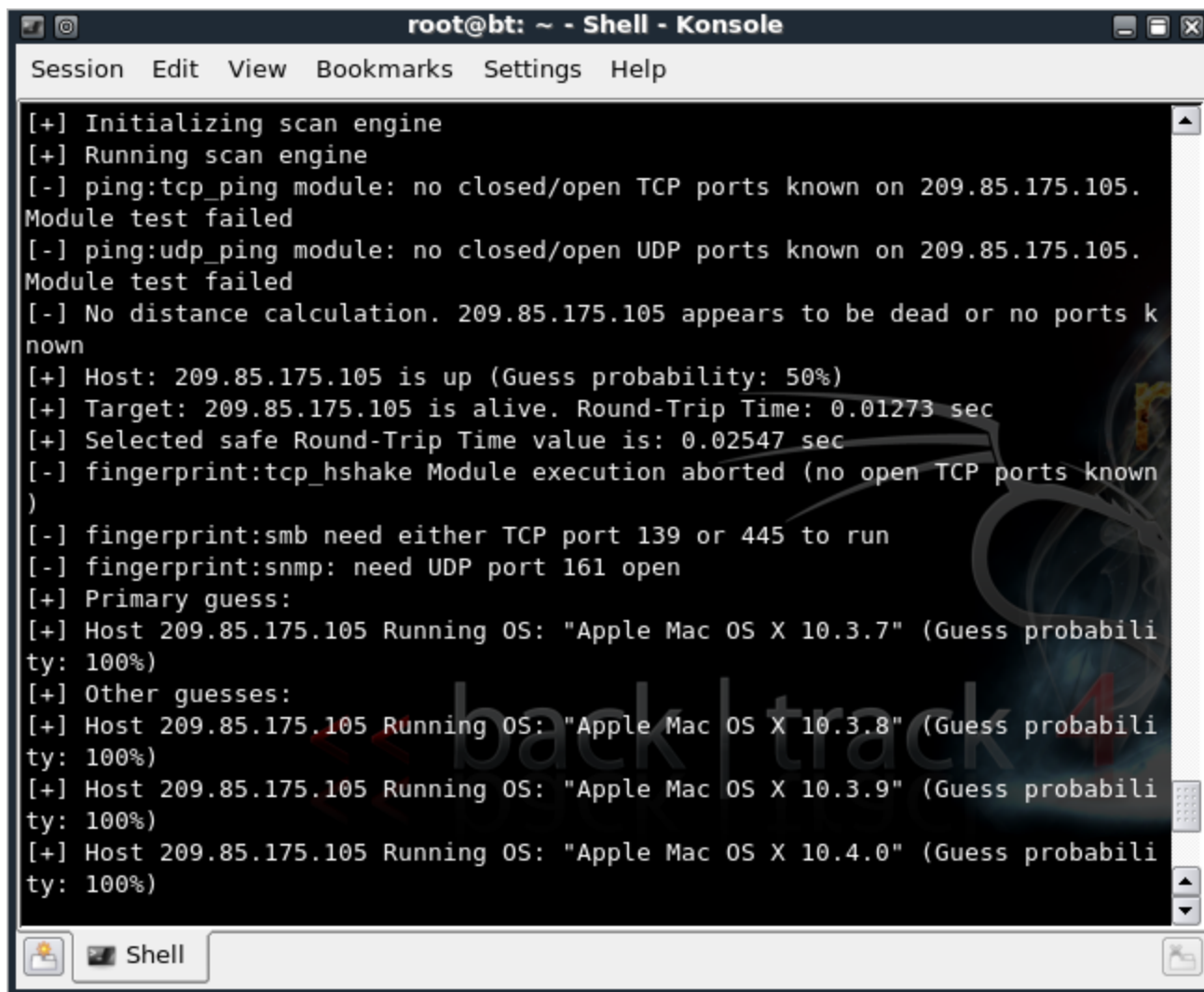
A screenshot of a terminal window titled "root@bt: ~ - Shell - Konsole". The terminal shows the execution of the "xprobe2 www.google.com" command. The output displays the version (v.0.3), copyright information (2002-2005), and a list of 13 modules loaded for the scan. The modules include ping modules (icmp_ping, tcp_ping, udp_ping), infogather modules (ttl_calc, portscan), and various fingerprinting modules (icmp_echo, icmp_tstamp, icmp_amask, icmp_port_unreach, tcp_hshake, tcp_rst, smb, snmp). The terminal also shows a "back | track 4" watermark.

```
root@bt:~# xprobe2 www.google.com

Xprobe2 v.0.3 Copyright (c) 2002-2005 fyodor@o0o.nu, ofir@sys-security.com,
meder@o0o.nu

[+] Target is www.google.com
[+] Loading modules.
[+] Following modules are loaded:
[x] [1] ping:icmp_ping - ICMP echo discovery module
[x] [2] ping:tcp_ping - TCP-based ping discovery module
[x] [3] ping:udp_ping - UDP-based ping discovery module
[x] [4] infogather:ttl_calc - TCP and UDP based TTL distance calculation
[x] [5] infogather:portscan - TCP and UDP PortScanner
[x] [6] fingerprint:icmp_echo - ICMP Echo request fingerprinting module
[x] [7] fingerprint:icmp_tstamp - ICMP Timestamp request fingerprinting module
[x] [8] fingerprint:icmp_amask - ICMP Address mask request fingerprinting module
[x] [9] fingerprint:icmp_port_unreach - ICMP port unreachable fingerprinting module
[x] [10] fingerprint:tcp_hshake - TCP Handshake fingerprinting module
[x] [11] fingerprint:tcp_rst - TCP RST fingerprinting module
[x] [12] fingerprint:smb - SMB fingerprinting module
[x] [13] fingerprint:snmp - SNMPv2c fingerprinting module
[+] 13 modules registered
```


xprobe2 in action (cont.)



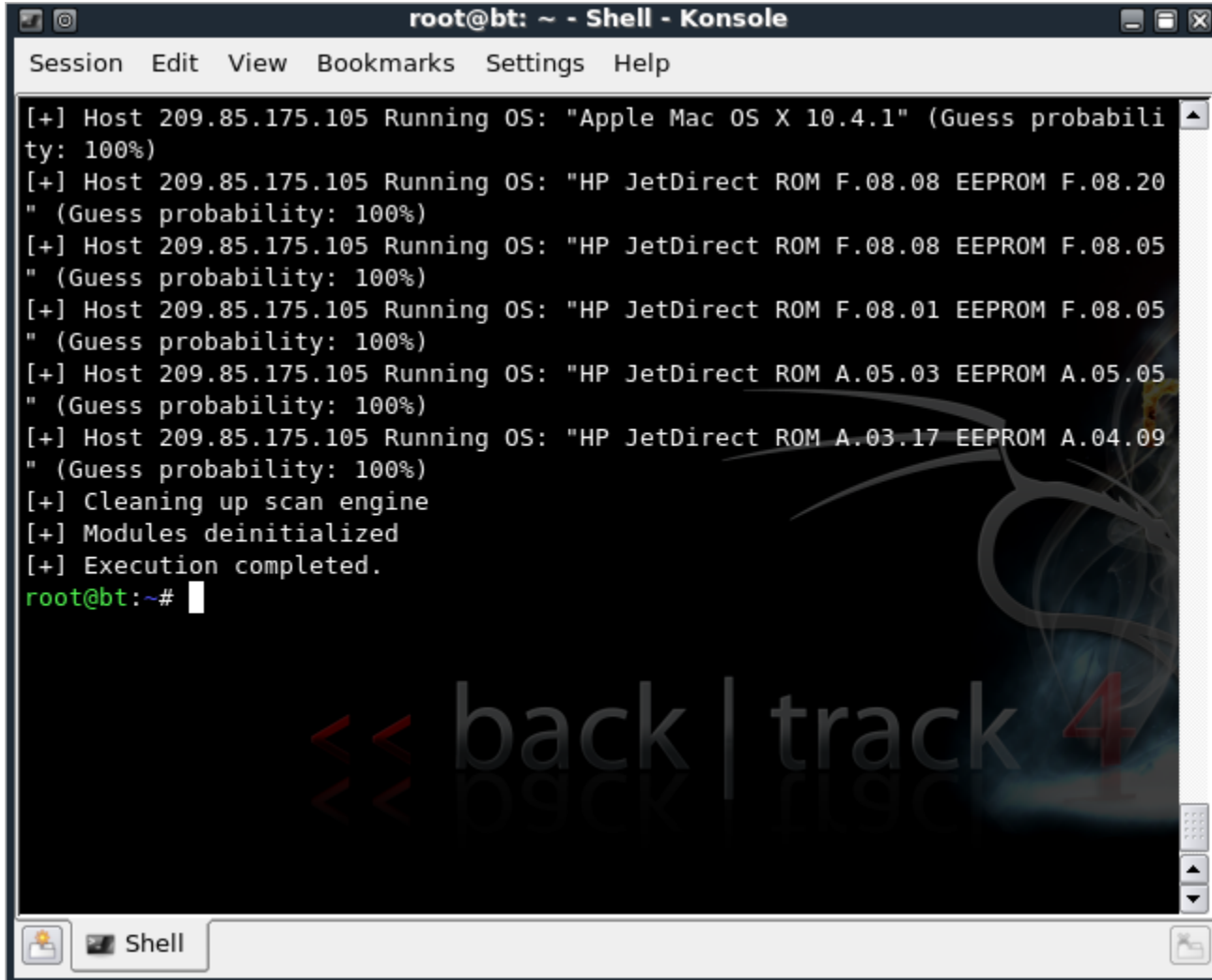
The screenshot shows a terminal window titled "root@bt: ~ - Shell - Konsole". The terminal displays the output of an xprobe2 scan. The scan engine initializes and runs. It reports that the TCP ping module failed because no closed/open TCP ports are known on 209.85.175.105, and the UDP ping module also failed for the same reason. Consequently, no distance calculation is performed, and the host is considered dead or has no known ports. However, the host is still marked as "up" with a 50% guess probability. The round-trip time is measured as 0.01273 seconds, and a safe value of 0.02547 seconds is selected. Fingerprinting modules for TCP handshake, SMB, and SNMP are reported as needing specific ports to run. The primary guess is that the host is running Apple Mac OS X 10.3.7 with 100% probability. Other guesses for OS versions 10.3.8, 10.3.9, and 10.4.0 are also listed, each with 100% probability.

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[+] Initializing scan engine
[+] Running scan engine
[-] ping:tcp_ping module: no closed/open TCP ports known on 209.85.175.105.
Module test failed
[-] ping:udp_ping module: no closed/open UDP ports known on 209.85.175.105.
Module test failed
[-] No distance calculation. 209.85.175.105 appears to be dead or no ports k
nown
[+] Host: 209.85.175.105 is up (Guess probability: 50%)
[+] Target: 209.85.175.105 is alive. Round-Trip Time: 0.01273 sec
[+] Selected safe Round-Trip Time value is: 0.02547 sec
[-] fingerprint:tcp_hshake Module execution aborted (no open TCP ports known
)
[-] fingerprint:smb need either TCP port 139 or 445 to run
[-] fingerprint:snmp: need UDP port 161 open
[+] Primary guess:
[+] Host 209.85.175.105 Running OS: "Apple Mac OS X 10.3.7" (Guess probabili
ty: 100%)
[+] Other guesses:
[+] Host 209.85.175.105 Running OS: "Apple Mac OS X 10.3.8" (Guess probabili
ty: 100%)
[+] Host 209.85.175.105 Running OS: "Apple Mac OS X 10.3.9" (Guess probabili
ty: 100%)
[+] Host 209.85.175.105 Running OS: "Apple Mac OS X 10.4.0" (Guess probabili
ty: 100%)

Shell
```

xprobe2 in action (cont.)



```
root@bt: ~ - Shell - Konsole
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[+] Host 209.85.175.105 Running OS: "Apple Mac OS X 10.4.1" (Guess probability: 100%)
[+] Host 209.85.175.105 Running OS: "HP JetDirect ROM F.08.08 EEPROM F.08.20" (Guess probability: 100%)
[+] Host 209.85.175.105 Running OS: "HP JetDirect ROM F.08.08 EEPROM F.08.05" (Guess probability: 100%)
[+] Host 209.85.175.105 Running OS: "HP JetDirect ROM F.08.01 EEPROM F.08.05" (Guess probability: 100%)
[+] Host 209.85.175.105 Running OS: "HP JetDirect ROM A.05.03 EEPROM A.05.05" (Guess probability: 100%)
[+] Host 209.85.175.105 Running OS: "HP JetDirect ROM A.03.17 EEPROM A.04.09" (Guess probability: 100%)
[+] Cleaning up scan engine
[+] Modules deinitialized
[+] Execution completed.
root@bt:~#
```

back | track 4

nmap vs xprobe2

- **nmap** output is a lot cleaner, less info
- **xprobe2** spills out tons of info, most of it about it's configuration
- Suggestion:
 - Go for **nmap**

What do we want to know?

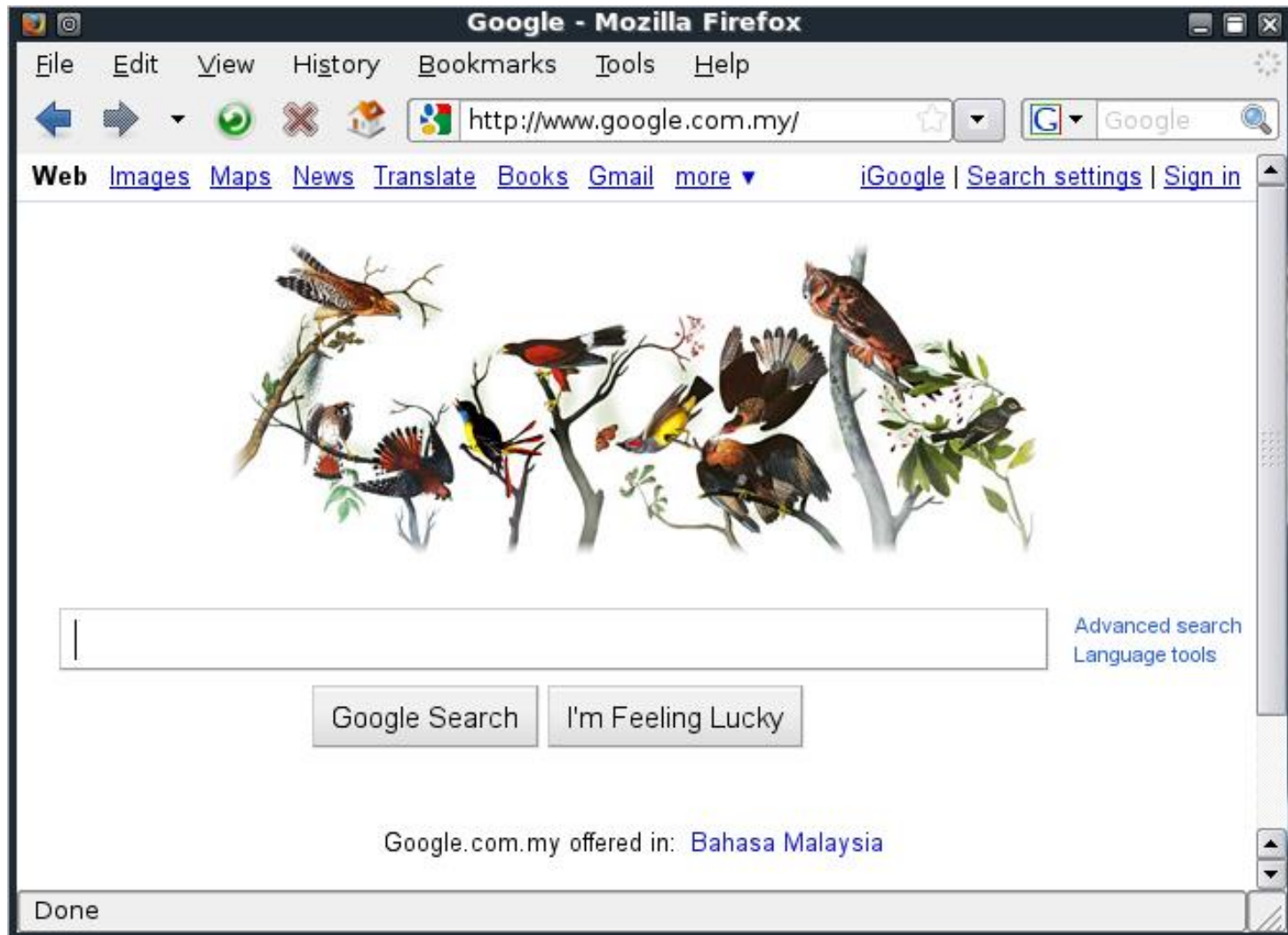
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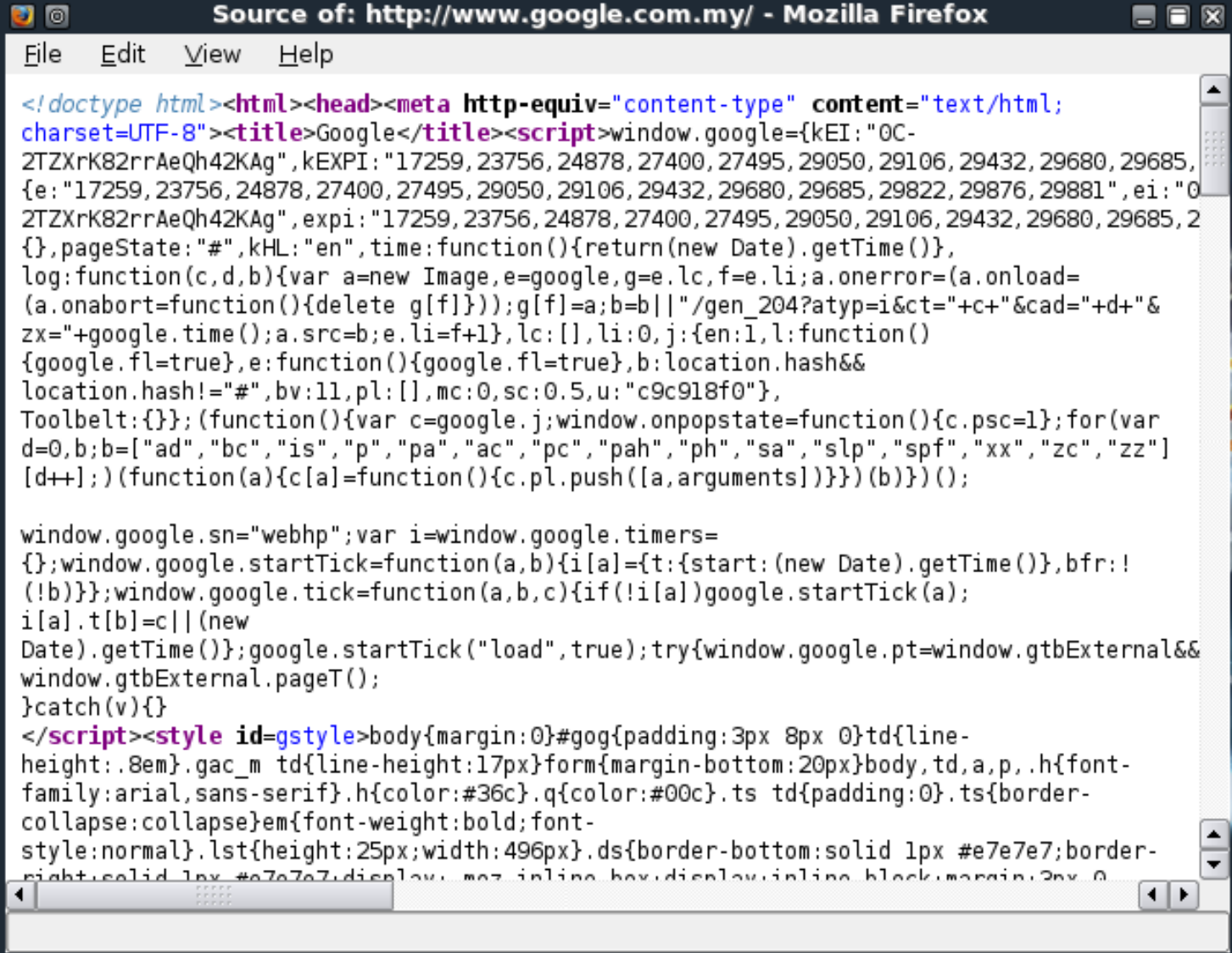
What are services ?

- Services as the name implies – what the computer can do for you
- Runs at a particular port address (number)
- Example:
 - http : 80
 - https : 443
 - ftp : 20 & 21 (for active mode)
 - MySQL : 3306

Normal access to http service



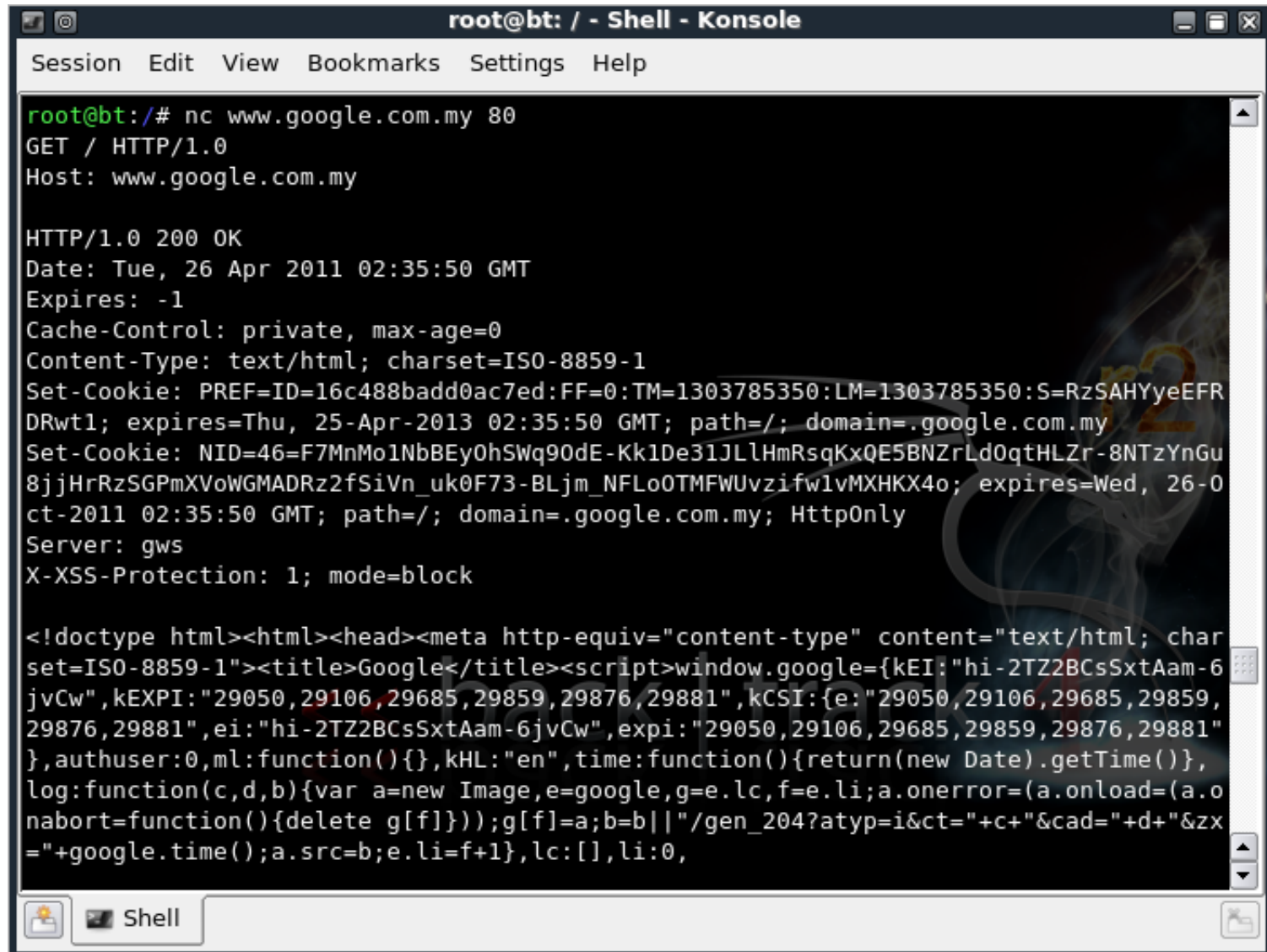
View source



The screenshot shows a Mozilla Firefox browser window with the title bar "Source of: http://www.google.com.my/ - Mozilla Firefox". The menu bar includes "File", "Edit", "View", and "Help". The main content area displays the source code of a Google page, which is a mix of HTML and JavaScript. The code includes a meta tag for content type, a title "Google", and a large script block. The script defines a window object with various properties and methods, including a timer and a function to handle the page load. The code is color-coded: HTML tags are in blue, attributes in purple, and JavaScript code in black. The script block is enclosed in a style tag with the id "gstyle".

```
<!doctype html><html><head><meta http-equiv="content-type" content="text/html; charset=UTF-8"><title>Google</title><script>window.google={kEI:"0C-2TZxrK82rrAeQh42KAg",kEXPI:"17259,23756,24878,27400,27495,29050,29106,29432,29680,29685,{e:"17259,23756,24878,27400,27495,29050,29106,29432,29680,29685,29822,29876,29881",ei:"02TZxrK82rrAeQh42KAg",expi:"17259,23756,24878,27400,27495,29050,29106,29432,29680,29685,2{,pageState:"#",kHL:"en",time:function(){return(new Date).getTime()}},log:function(c,d,b){var a=new Image,e=google,g=e.lc,f=e.li;a.onerror=(a.onload=(a.onabort=function(){delete g[f]}));g[f]=a;b=b||"/gen_204?atyp=i&ct="+c+"&cad="+d+"&zx="+google.time();a.src=b;e.li=f+1,lc:[],li:0,j:{en:l,l:function(){google.fl=true},e:function(){google.fl=true},b:location.hash&&location.hash!="#",bv:11,pl:[],mc:0,sc:0.5,u:"c9c918f0"},Toolbelt:{}};(function(){var c=google.j;window.onpopstate=function(){c.psc=1};for(var d=0;b=b["ad","bc","is","p","pa","ac","pc","pah","ph","sa","slp","spf","xx","zc","zz"] [d++];)(function(a){c[a]=function(){c.pl.push([a,arguments])}})(b)}());window.google.sn="webhp";var i=window.google.timers={};window.google.startTick=function(a,b){i[a]={t:{start:(new Date).getTime()},bfr:!(b)}};window.google.tick=function(a,b,c){if(!i[a])google.startTick(a);i[a].t[b]=c||(new Date).getTime());google.startTick("load",true);try{window.google.pt=window.gtbExternal&&window.gtbExternal.pageT();}catch(v){}</script><style id=gstyle>body{margin:0}#gog{padding:3px 8px 0}td{line-height:.8em}.gac_m td{line-height:17px}form{margin-bottom:20px}body,td,a,p,.h{font-family:arial,sans-serif}.h{color:#36c}.q{color:#00c}.ts td{padding:0}.ts{border-collapse:collapse}em{font-weight:bold;font-style:normal}.lst{height:25px;width:496px}.ds{border-bottom:solid 1px #e7e7e7;border-right:solid 1px #e7e7e7;display:moz inline-block;display:inline-block;margin:2px 0
```

Manual access to http service



```
root@bt: / - Shell - Konsole
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root@bt:/# nc www.google.com.my 80
GET / HTTP/1.0
Host: www.google.com.my

HTTP/1.0 200 OK
Date: Tue, 26 Apr 2011 02:35:50 GMT
Expires: -1
Cache-Control: private, max-age=0
Content-Type: text/html; charset=ISO-8859-1
Set-Cookie: PREF=ID=16c488badd0ac7ed:FF=0:TM=1303785350:LM=1303785350:S=RzSAHYyeEFR
DRwt1; expires=Thu, 25-Apr-2013 02:35:50 GMT; path=/; domain=.google.com.my
Set-Cookie: NID=46=F7MnMo1NbBEy0hSWq90dE-Kk1De31JlHmRsQKxQE5BNZrLd0qtHLZr-8NTzYnGu
8jjHrRzSGPmXVoWGMADRz2fSiVn_uk0F73-BLjm_NFL00TMFWUvzifwlvMXHKX4o; expires=Wed, 26-0
ct-2011 02:35:50 GMT; path=/; domain=.google.com.my; HttpOnly
Server: gws
X-XSS-Protection: 1; mode=block

<!doctype html><html><head><meta http-equiv="content-type" content="text/html; char
set=ISO-8859-1"><title>Google</title><script>>window.google={kEI:"hi-2TZ2BCsSxtAam-6
jvCw",kEXPI:"29050,29106,29685,29859,29876,29881",kCSI:{e:"29050,29106,29685,29859,
29876,29881",ei:"hi-2TZ2BCsSxtAam-6jvCw",expi:"29050,29106,29685,29859,29876,29881"
},authuser:0,ml:function(){},kHL:"en",time:function(){return(new Date).getTime()},
log:function(c,d,b){var a=new Image,e=google,g=e.lc,f=e.li;a.onerror=(a.onload=(a.o
nabort=function(){delete g[f]}));g[f]=a;b=b||"/gen_204?atyp=i&ct="+c+"&cad="+d+"&z
x="+google.time();a.src=b;e.li=f+1},lc:[],li:0,
```


Tools to scan for services

- **nmap**
 - Scans for open ports
- **amap**
 - Scans services on nonstandard ports

nmap scan options

- Soooo many scan options:

- TCP

- TCP Connect Scan (-sT)
 - SYN scan (-sS)
 - FIN scan (-sF)
 - XMAS scan (-sX)
 - NULL scan (-sN)



Unreliable

- UDP

- UDP Scan (-sU)

nmap: which one to choose?

- TCP port scanning
 - Fast scan (but noisy): **TCP connect**
 - Stealthy (but very slow) : **SYN scan**
- UDP port scanning
 - **UDP scan** (no other options)

nmap usage

- Usage: `nmap [options] <host>`
- Example:

- TCP Connect scan

`nmap -sT www.google.com`

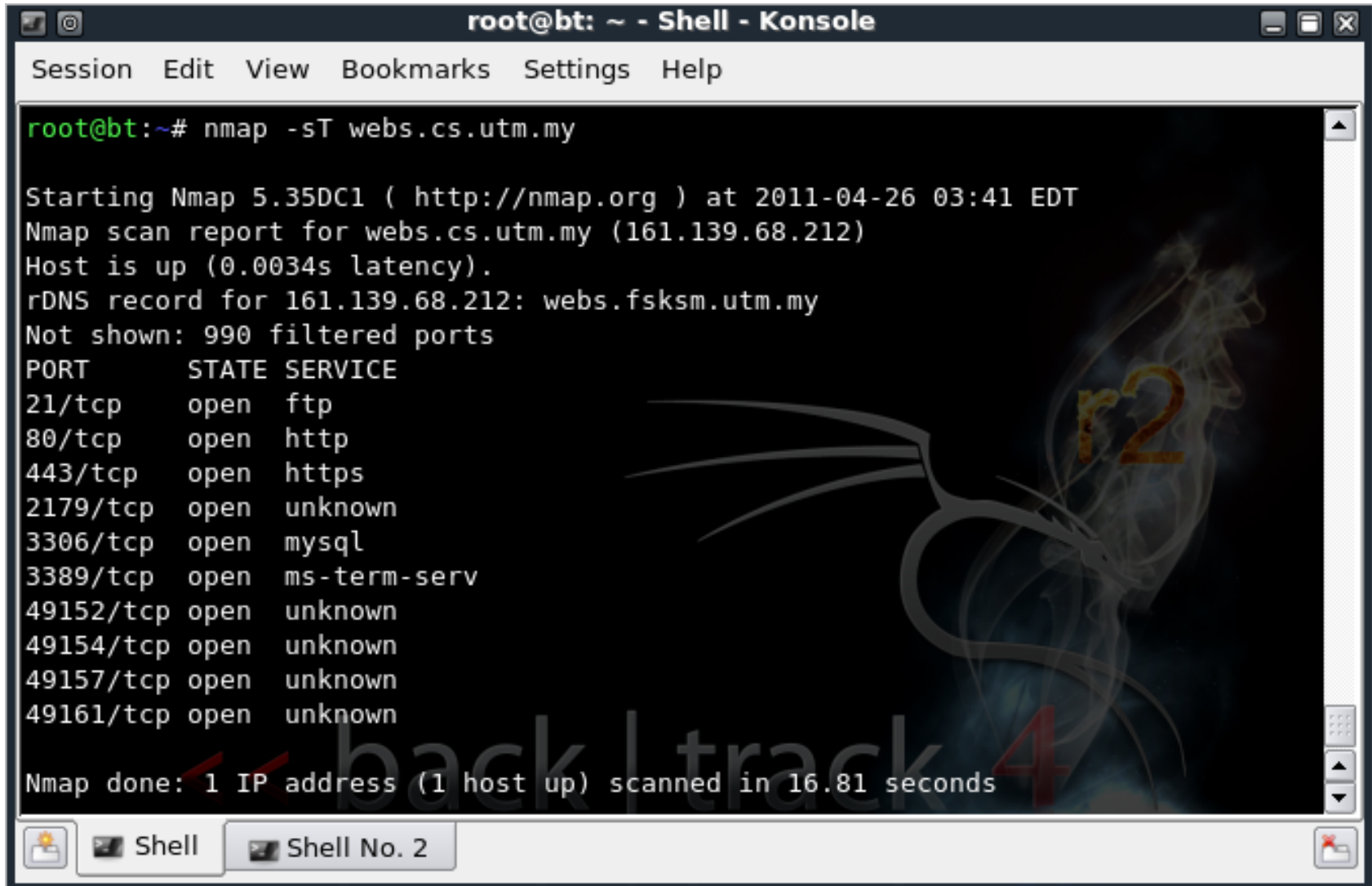
- SYN scan

`nmap -sS www.google.com`

- UDP scan

`nmap -sU www.google.com`

nmap TCP connect scan



```
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root@bt:~# nmap -sT webs.cs.utm.my

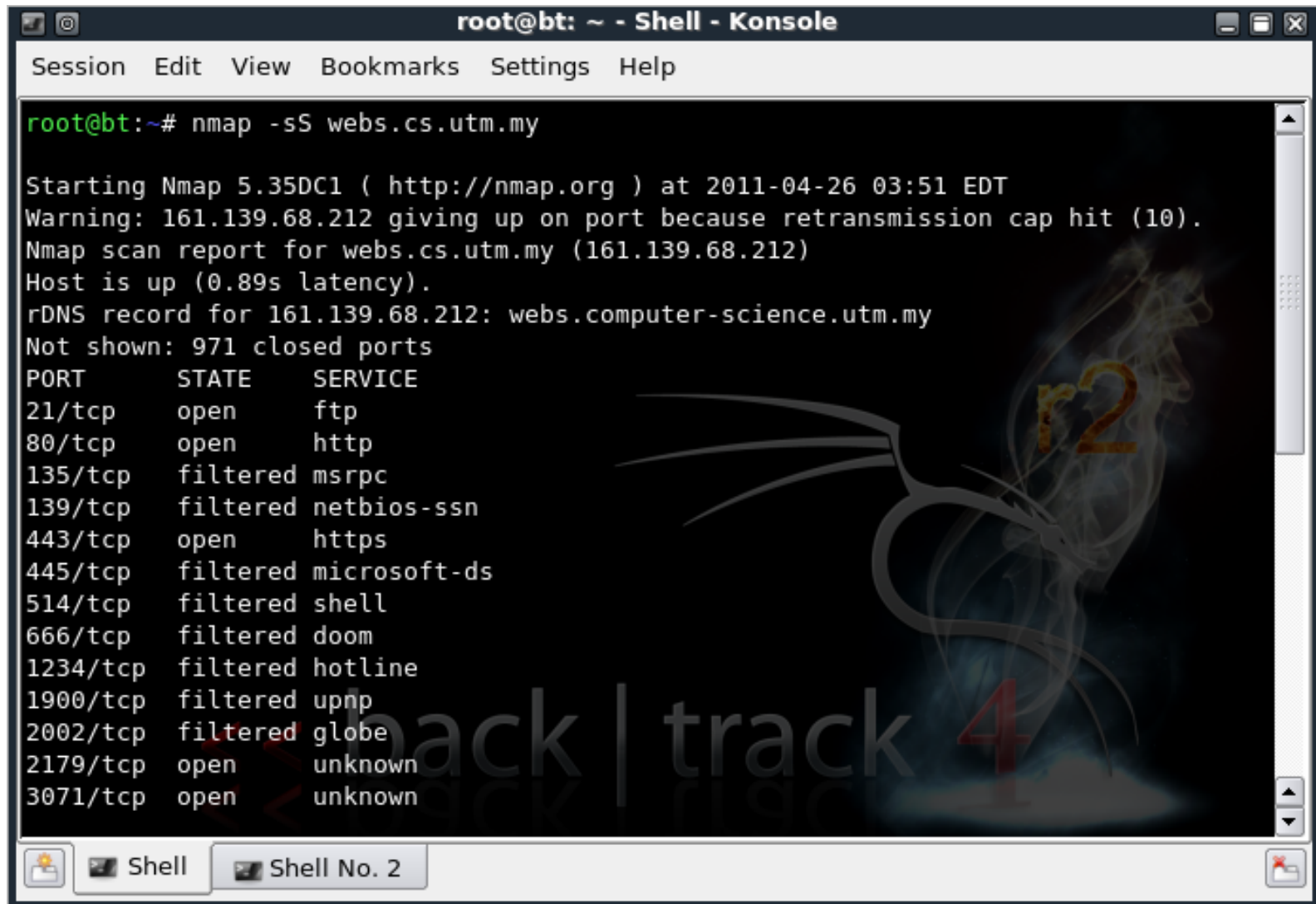
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Nmap scan report for webs.cs.utm.my (161.139.68.212)
Host is up (0.0034s latency).
rDNS record for 161.139.68.212: webs.fsksm.utm.my
Not shown: 990 filtered ports
PORT      STATE SERVICE
21/tcp    open  ftp
80/tcp    open  http
443/tcp   open  https
2179/tcp  open  unknown
3306/tcp  open  mysql
3389/tcp  open  ms-term-serv
49152/tcp open  unknown
49154/tcp open  unknown
49157/tcp open  unknown
49161/tcp open  unknown

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 16.81 seconds
```

The screenshot shows a terminal window titled "root@bt: ~ - Shell - Konsole". The terminal displays the output of an nmap TCP connect scan on the host webs.cs.utm.my (161.139.68.212). The scan results show several open ports and their corresponding services. A watermark "r2" is visible in the background of the terminal output, and "back | track 4" is visible at the bottom.

PORT	STATE	SERVICE
21/tcp	open	ftp
80/tcp	open	http
443/tcp	open	https
2179/tcp	open	unknown
3306/tcp	open	mysql
3389/tcp	open	ms-term-serv
49152/tcp	open	unknown
49154/tcp	open	unknown
49157/tcp	open	unknown
49161/tcp	open	unknown

nmap SYN scan



```
root@bt: ~ - Shell - Konsole
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root@bt:~# nmap -sS webs.cs.utm.my

Starting Nmap 5.35DC1 ( http://nmap.org ) at 2011-04-26 03:51 EDT
Warning: 161.139.68.212 giving up on port because retransmission cap hit (10).
Nmap scan report for webs.cs.utm.my (161.139.68.212)
Host is up (0.89s latency).
rDNS record for 161.139.68.212: webs.computer-science.utm.my
Not shown: 971 closed ports
PORT      STATE      SERVICE
21/tcp    open       ftp
80/tcp    open       http
135/tcp   filtered  msrpc
139/tcp   filtered  netbios-ssn
443/tcp   open       https
445/tcp   filtered  microsoft-ds
514/tcp   filtered  shell
666/tcp   filtered  doom
1234/tcp  filtered  hotline
1900/tcp  filtered  upnp
2002/tcp  filtered  globe
2179/tcp  open       unknown
3071/tcp  open       unknown
```

back | track 4

nmap SYN scan (cont.)



The screenshot shows a terminal window titled "root@bt: ~ - Shell - Konsole". The window contains the output of an nmap SYN scan. The results are listed in a table-like format with three columns: port, state, and service. The ports range from 3128 to 65000. The states are either "filtered" or "open". The services identified include squid-http, mysql, ms-term-serv, irc, and several unknown services. At the bottom, a summary line states "Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 4054.27 seconds". The prompt "root@bt:~#" is visible. The terminal background features a dark theme with a faint, stylized dragon logo and the text "back | track" and "r2".

```
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3128/tcp filtered squid-http
3306/tcp open mysql
3389/tcp open ms-term-serv
6667/tcp filtered irc
8873/tcp filtered unknown
8888/tcp filtered sun-answerbook
9898/tcp filtered unknown
12345/tcp filtered netbus
31337/tcp filtered Elite
49152/tcp open unknown
49153/tcp open unknown
49154/tcp open unknown
49155/tcp open unknown
49157/tcp open unknown
49161/tcp open unknown
65000/tcp filtered unknown

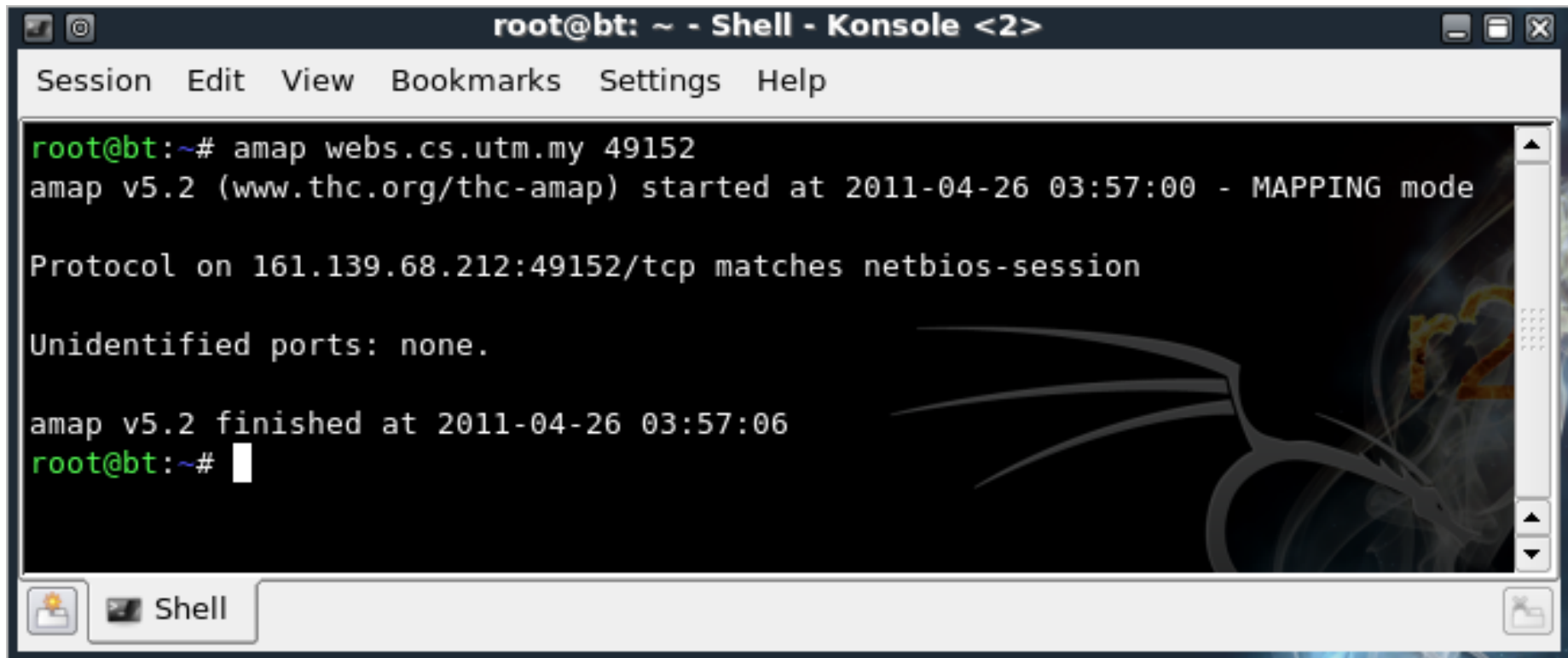
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 4054.27 seconds
root@bt:~#
```

amap

- **nmap** scans sometimes resulted in a number of unknown ports
- These ports can be examined further by using **amap**
- Usage: `amap <host> <port>`
- Example:

```
amap webs.cs.utm.my 49152
```


amap scan



```
root@bt: ~ - Shell - Konsole <2>
Session Edit View Bookmarks Settings Help

root@bt:~# amap webs.cs.utm.my 49152
amap v5.2 (www.thc.org/thc-amap) started at 2011-04-26 03:57:00 - MAPPING mode

Protocol on 161.139.68.212:49152/tcp matches netbios-session

Unidentified ports: none.

amap v5.2 finished at 2011-04-26 03:57:06
root@bt:~#
```

What do we want to know?

- Address of our target
- OS type
- Running services
- **Exact version of software**
- Any info on the target



But why?

- Enables faster identification of known or 0-day vulnerabilities

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The Apache HTTP Server through 2.4.23 follows RFC 3875 section 4.1.18 and therefore does not protect applications from the presence of untrusted client data in the HTTP_PROXY environment variable, which might allow remote attackers to redirect an application's outgoing traffic to an arbitrary proxy server via a crafted Proxy header in an HTTP request, aka an "httpoxy" issue. NOTE: the vendor states that mitigation has been assigned the identifier CVE-2016-5387; in other words, this is not a CVE ID for a vulnerability.

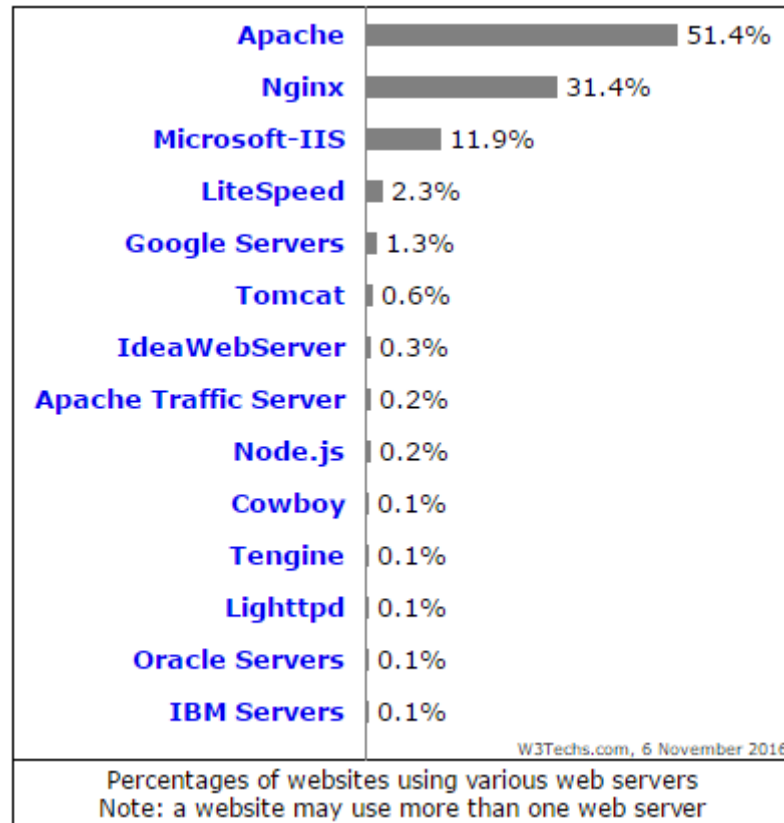
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The Apache HTTP Server 2.4.18 through 2.4.20, when mod_http2 and mod_ssl are enabled, does not properly recognize the "SSLV3 require" directive for HTTP/2 request authorization, which allows remote attackers to bypass intended access restrictions by leveraging the ability to send multiple requests over a single connection and aborting a renegotiation.

Service and Software

Service	Software
HTTP	Apache
	IIS
	nginx
	lighttpd
FTP	FileZilla
	ProFTPD
	Wu-ftp

Usage share of webserver



Server (software)

- Different server (software) does things differently
- Some are cross platform (e.g. Apache), some are not (e.g. IIS)
- It is important to identify it because we can understand :
 - how it works
 - **how to exploit it !**

Service software detection tool

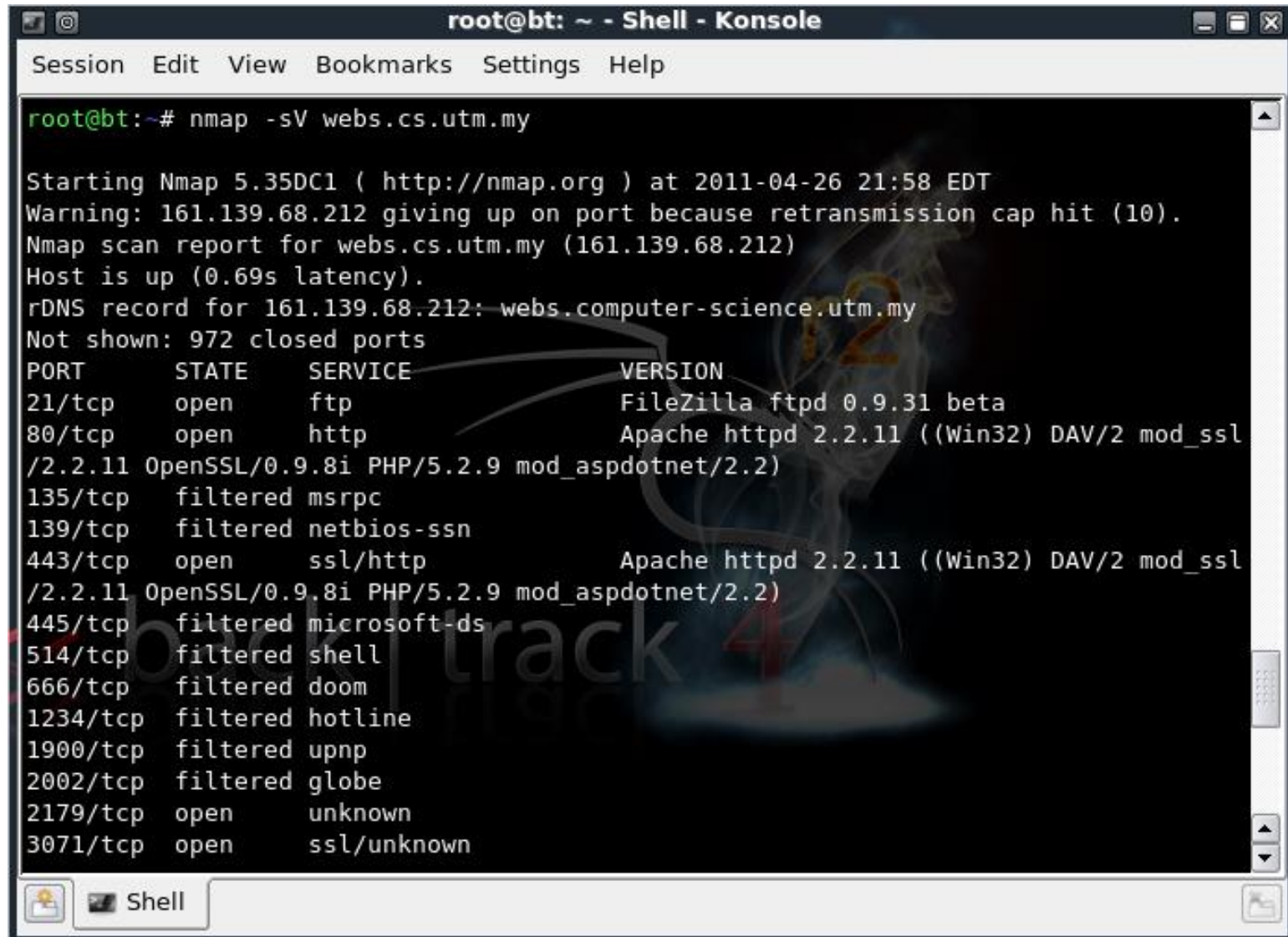
- Automated:
 - **nmap** (scan option: -sV)
- Manual:
 - **nc / telnet** (text based services)
 - **openssl** (text based services + SSL)

Using nmap for service detection

- Command: `nmap -sV <host>`
- Example:

```
nmap -sV www.google.com
```


nmap service detection



```
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root@bt:~# nmap -sV webs.cs.utm.my

Starting Nmap 5.35DC1 ( http://nmap.org ) at 2011-04-26 21:58 EDT
Warning: 161.139.68.212 giving up on port because retransmission cap hit (10).
Nmap scan report for webs.cs.utm.my (161.139.68.212)
Host is up (0.69s latency).
rDNS record for 161.139.68.212: webs.computer-science.utm.my
Not shown: 972 closed ports
PORT      STATE      SERVICE      VERSION
21/tcp    open      ftp          FileZilla ftpd 0.9.31 beta
80/tcp    open      http        Apache httpd 2.2.11 ((Win32) DAV/2 mod_ssl
/2.2.11 OpenSSL/0.9.8i PHP/5.2.9 mod_aspdotnet/2.2)
135/tcp   filtered  msrpc
139/tcp   filtered  netbios-ssn
443/tcp   open      ssl/http     Apache httpd 2.2.11 ((Win32) DAV/2 mod_ssl
/2.2.11 OpenSSL/0.9.8i PHP/5.2.9 mod_aspdotnet/2.2)
445/tcp   filtered  microsoft-ds
514/tcp   filtered  shell
666/tcp   filtered  doom
1234/tcp  filtered  hotline
1900/tcp  filtered  upnp
2002/tcp  filtered  globe
2179/tcp  open      unknown
3071/tcp  open      ssl/unknown
```

nmap service detection (cont.)

```
root@bt: ~ - Shell - Konsole
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3128/tcp filtered squid-http
3306/tcp open mysql MySQL 5.1.33-community
3389/tcp open microsoft-rdp Microsoft Terminal Service
6667/tcp filtered irc
8888/tcp filtered sun-answerbook
9898/tcp filtered unknown
12345/tcp filtered netbus
31337/tcp filtered Elite
49152/tcp open msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC
49153/tcp open msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC
49154/tcp open msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC
49155/tcp open ssl/megaraid-monitor MegaRaid Monitoring Agent
49157/tcp open msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC
49161/tcp open msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC
65000/tcp filtered unknown
Service Info: OS: Windows

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at http://nmap.o
g/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 3894.12 seconds
root@bt:~#
```

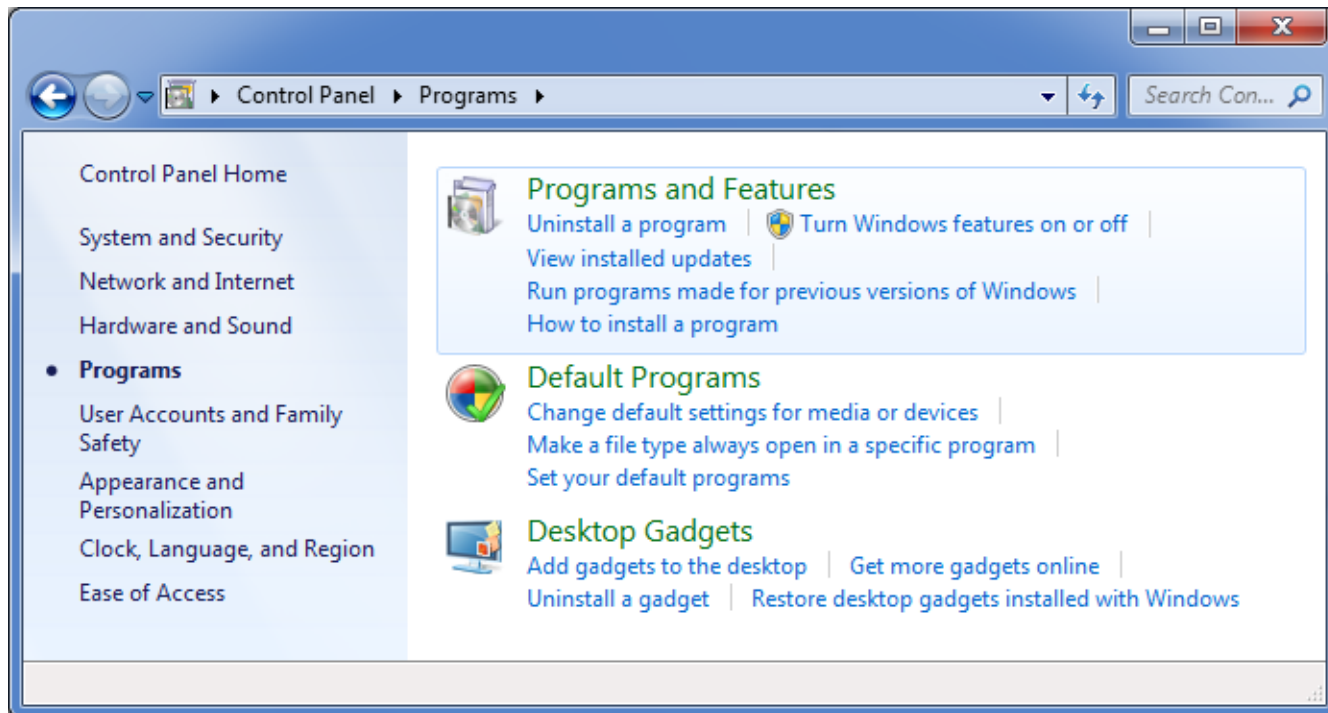
nc

- **nc** (netcat) is available by default in popular linux distributions
- netcat command: `nc <host> <port>`
- Example:

```
nc www.google.com 80
```

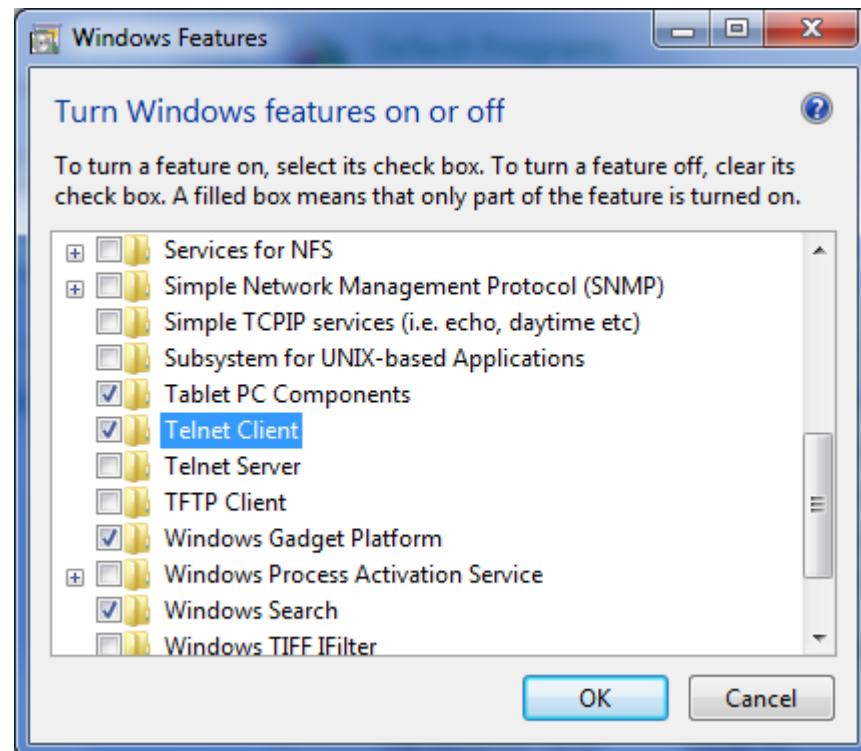
telnet

- telnet is not available by default in Windows Vista, Windows 2008 and Windows 7
- To enable it, go to Control Panel -> Programs



telnet (cont.)

- Click on 'Turn Windows features on or off'
- Check on 'Telnet Client' and click 'OK' and restart your PC.



telnet (cont.)

- telnet usage: telnet <host> <port>
- Example:

```
telnet www.google.com 80
```

nc or telnet

- **nc** has a lot more features than **telnet**
- Both will do for **banner grabbing**

Banner grabbing

- Banner grabbing – grabbing a service software greeting info (banner)
- Service software usually greets newly connected clients by displaying a banner with **useful information** (for hackers of course !)
- Service software banner is **normally not shown** in client application

Banner grabbing

- Banner info may include:
 - OS type
 - Service Software name
 - Service Software version
 - Local time information

HTTP banner grabbing

- Example:

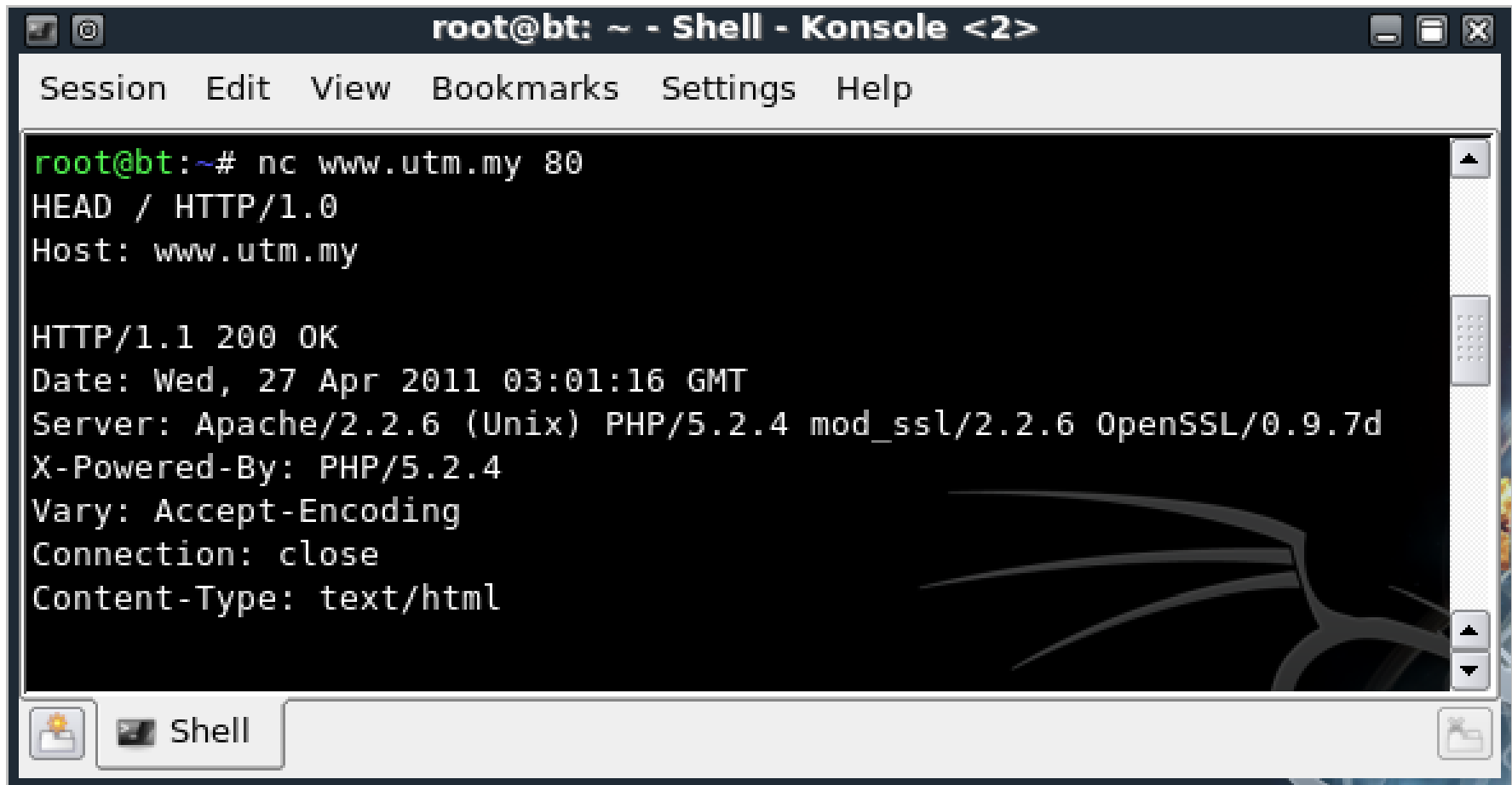
```
nc www.google.com 80 ↵  
HEAD / HTTP/1.0 ↵  
Host: www.google.com ↵  
↵
```

or

```
telnet www.google.com 80 ↵  
HEAD / HTTP/1.0 ↵  
Host: www.google.com ↵  
↵
```

↵ = Enter

HTTP banner grabbing (cont.)

A screenshot of a terminal window titled "root@bt: ~ - Shell - Konsole <2>". The window has a menu bar with "Session", "Edit", "View", "Bookmarks", "Settings", and "Help". The terminal content shows a netcat connection to www.utm.my on port 80. The client sends a HEAD request, and the server responds with an HTTP 200 OK status and various headers including Date, Server, X-Powered-By, Vary, Connection, and Content-Type. The terminal background features a faint dragon-like graphic on the right side. The bottom of the window has a taskbar with a "Shell" icon and a file manager icon.

```
root@bt:~# nc www.utm.my 80
HEAD / HTTP/1.0
Host: www.utm.my

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Wed, 27 Apr 2011 03:01:16 GMT
Server: Apache/2.2.6 (Unix) PHP/5.2.4 mod_ssl/2.2.6 OpenSSL/0.9.7d
X-Powered-By: PHP/5.2.4
Vary: Accept-Encoding
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/html
```

HTTPS banner grabbing using nc?

- HTTPS is different from HTTP
 - Uses SSL for encrypted communication
 - Runs on port 443
- **nc** cannot be used since it only supports plain text communication (no SSL support)
- Time for a new tool **openssl**

OpenSSL for banner grabbing

- Usage:

```
openssl s_client -connect <host>:<port>
```

- Example:

```
openssl s_client -connect www.google.com:443
```

HTTPS banner grabbing

- Example:

```
openssl s_client -connect www.google.com:443 ↵  
HEAD / HTTP/1.0 ↵  
Host: www.google.com ↵  
↵
```

HTTPS banner grabbing (cont.)

```
root@bt: ~ - Shell - Konsole
Session Edit View Bookmarks Settings Help

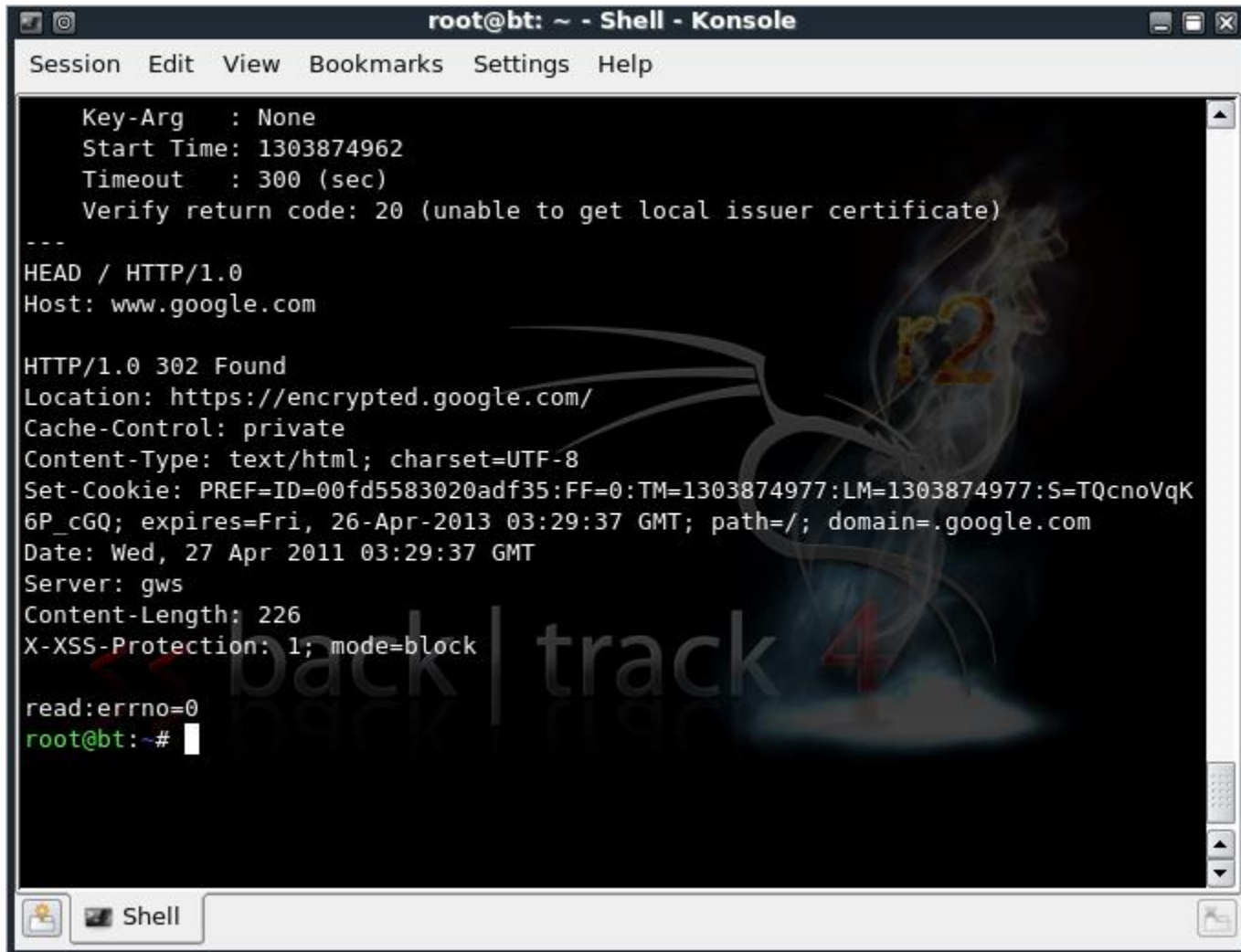
root@bt:~# openssl s_client -connect www.google.com:443
CONNECTED(00000003)
depth=1 /C=ZA/O=Thawte Consulting (Pty) Ltd./CN=Thawte SGC CA
verify error:num=20:unable to get local issuer certificate
verify return:0
---
Certificate chain
 0 s:/C=US/ST=California/L=Mountain View/O=Google Inc/CN=www.google.com
  i:/C=ZA/O=Thawte Consulting (Pty) Ltd./CN=Thawte SGC CA
 1 s:/C=ZA/O=Thawte Consulting (Pty) Ltd./CN=Thawte SGC CA
  i:/C=US/O=VeriSign, Inc./OU=Class 3 Public Primary Certification Authority
---
Server certificate
-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----
MIIDITCCAoqgAwIBAgIQL9+89q6RUm0PmqPfQDQ+mjANBgkqhkiG9w0BAQUFADBMMQswCQYDVQQGEwJaQTElMCMGA1UEChMcVGhhd3RlIENvbnN1bHRpbmcgKFB0eSkgTHRkLjEwMBQGA1UEAxMNVGhhd3RlIFNHQYBDQTAeFw0wOTEyMTgwMDAwMDBaFw0xMTEyMTgyMzU5NTIwMGgxMzU5NTIwMGgxMzU5NTIwMGgxMzU5NTIwMGgxMzU5NTIwMRYwFAYDVQQHFA1Nb3VudGFpbWV3MRMwEQYDQKFApHb29nbGUgSW5jMRcwFQYDVQQDFA53d3cuZ29vZ2x1LmNvbTCBnzANBgkqhkiG9w0BAQEFAA0BjQAwYkCgYEA6PmGD5D6htffvXImttDEA0N4c9kCK0+IRTn7E0h8rqk41XXG00sKFQebg+jNgtXj9xVoRaELGYW84u+E593y17iYwqG7tcFR39SDAqc9BkJb4SLD3muFXxzW2k6L05vuuWciKh0R73mkszeK9P4Y/bz5RiNQL/0s/CRGK1w7t0UCAwEAAaOB5zCB5DAMBgNVHRMBAf8EAjAAMDYGA1UdHwQvMC0wK6ApoCeGJWh0dHA6Ly9jcmwudGhhd3RlLmNvbS9UaGF3dGVTR0NDQS5jcmwvKAYDVR0lBCEwHwYIKwYBBQUHAWEGCCsGAQUF
```

HTTPS banner grabbing (cont.)

```
root@bt: ~ - Shell - Konsole
Session Edit View Bookmarks Settings Help

BwMCBglghkgBhvCBAEwcgYIKwYBBQUHAQEEZjBkMCIGCCsGAQUFBzABhhZodHRw
0i8vb2NzcC50aGF3dGUuY29tMD4GCCsGAQUFBzACHjJodHRw0i8vd3d3LnRoYXd0
ZS5jb20vcvVwb3NpdG9yeS9UaGF3dGVfU0dDX0NBLmNydDANBgkqhkiG9w0BAQUF
AA0BgQCfQ89bxFapsb/isJr/aiEdLRDLLE5a+RLizrmCUi3nHX4adpaQedEkUjh5
u20NgJd8IyAPkU0Wueru9G2Jysa9zCR0lknBzipYvzwY40A8Ys+WAI0oR1A04Se6
z5nRUP8pJcA2NhUzUnC+MY+f6H/nEQyNv4SgQhqAibAxWEEHXw==
-----END CERTIFICATE-----
subject=/C=US/ST=California/L=Mountain View/O=Google Inc/CN=www.google.com
issuer=/C=ZA/O=Thawte Consulting (Pty) Ltd./CN=Thawte SGC CA
---
No client certificate CA names sent
---
SSL handshake has read 1765 bytes and written 304 bytes
---
New, TLSv1/SSLv3, Cipher is RC4-SHA
Server public key is 1024 bit
Compression: NONE
Expansion: NONE
SSL-Session:
  Protocol : TLSv1
  Cipher   : RC4-SHA
  Session-ID: F30A26C1EBE802A315EAC55A7245346676387B709B6974FBFF5C74C0F9D9D50F
  Session-ID-ctx:
  Master-Key: 44D0C16FB8DE3BDFCF0DA44505CD7EDBE853995C10440312F832AD14A5F9BD3E
02B1787945E2F6C385BB830A6149C6
```


HTTPS banner grabbing (cont.)



```
root@bt: ~ - Shell - Konsole
Session Edit View Bookmarks Settings Help

Key-Arg : None
Start Time: 1303874962
Timeout : 300 (sec)
Verify return code: 20 (unable to get local issuer certificate)
---
HEAD / HTTP/1.0
Host: www.google.com

HTTP/1.0 302 Found
Location: https://encrypted.google.com/
Cache-Control: private
Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8
Set-Cookie: PREF=ID=00fd5583020adf35:FF=0:TM=1303874977:LM=1303874977:S=TQcnoVqK
6P_cGQ; expires=Fri, 26-Apr-2013 03:29:37 GMT; path=/; domain=.google.com
Date: Wed, 27 Apr 2011 03:29:37 GMT
Server: gws
Content-Length: 226
X-XSS-Protection: 1; mode=block

read:errno=0
root@bt:~#
```

nmap vs nc/telnet/openssl

- **nmap**
 - Easier to use
 - Very noisy (not stealthy)
 - Could be very slooow
- **nc / telnet**
 - Need to understand target protocol
 - Could be stealthy (if we faking a particular client)
 - Superfast !

What do we want to know?

- Address of our target
- OS type
- Running services
- Exact version of software
- **Any info on the target**



More info?

- We already know
 - Server IP address
 - OS type
 - Running service
 - Service Software
- Isn't that enough already ? **NO**

More info = better chance

- Additional ways to get information
 - Google
 - Error messages
 - Directory brute force

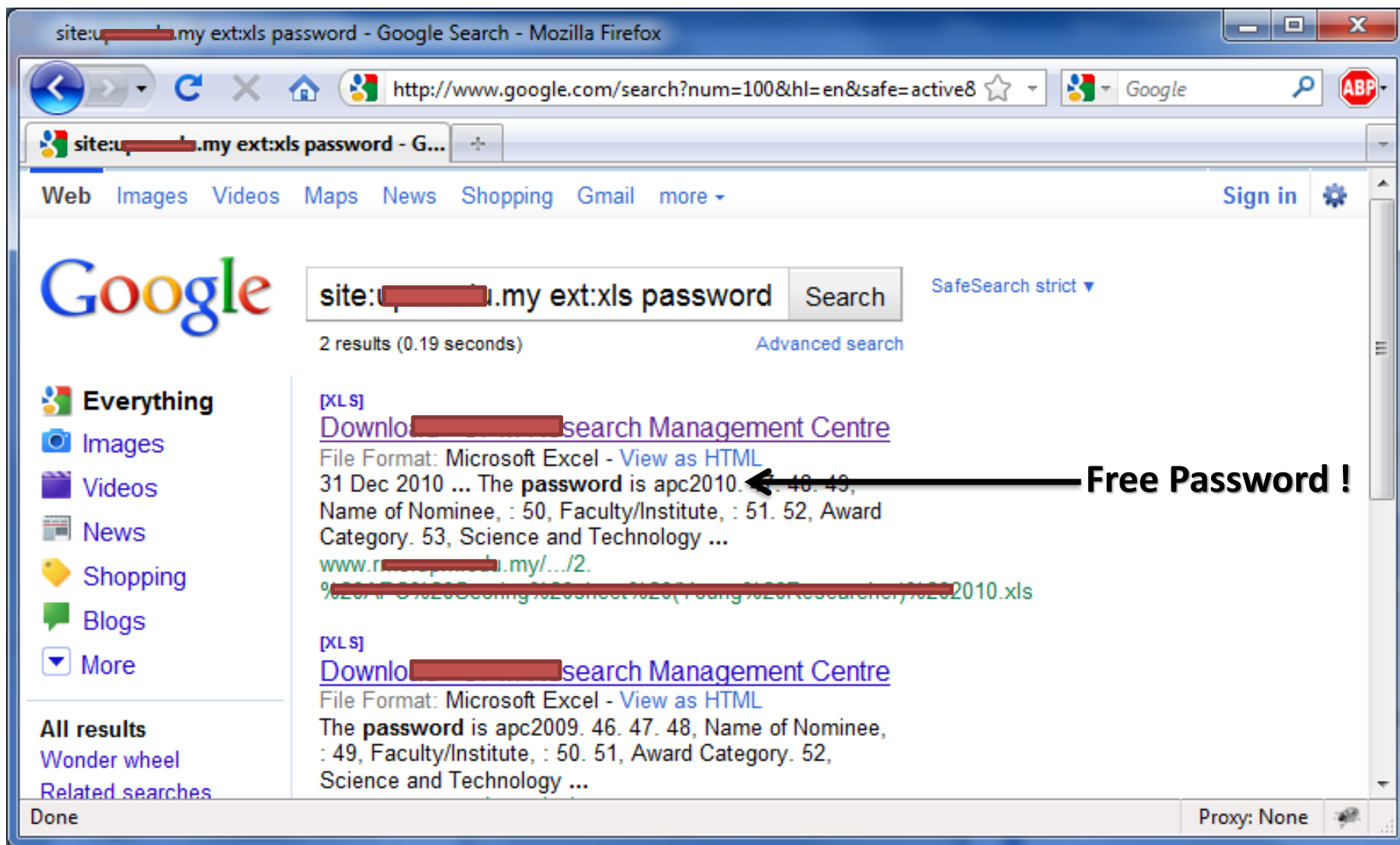
Google for hacking ?

- **Google hacking** - the art of explicit google searching using advanced keywords (dork)
- Useful advanced search keywords:
 - **site:** = search within this website
 - **ext:** = file extension to search for
 - **inurl:** = word is in the URL
 - **intitle:** = word is in the title page

Google hacking

- Scenario: searching **website.com** for an excel file (**XLS**) that contains **password**
- Example:
`site:website.com ext:xls password`

Google hacking example



More dorks


- Searching for login page

site:website.com inurl:login.php

- Searching for certain pattern (e.g. &controller)

site:website.com inurl:&controller

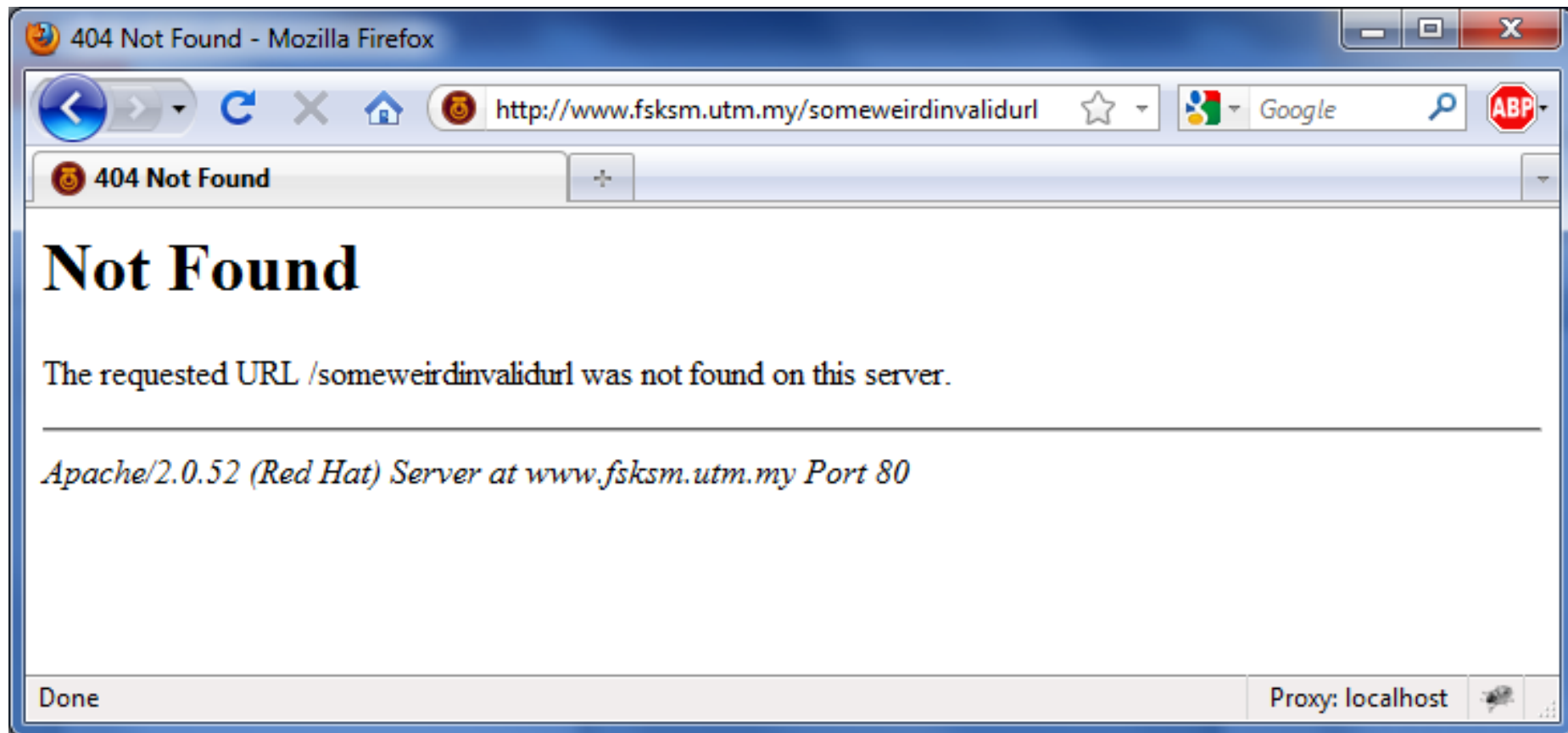
Error message ?

- Error message is a hacker's best friend
 - Common methods to cause an error in web applications:
 - Invoking invalid URLs
 - Modifying GET/POST parameter
 - Modifying cookie values
- 

Will be covered in later
chapters Insya-Allah

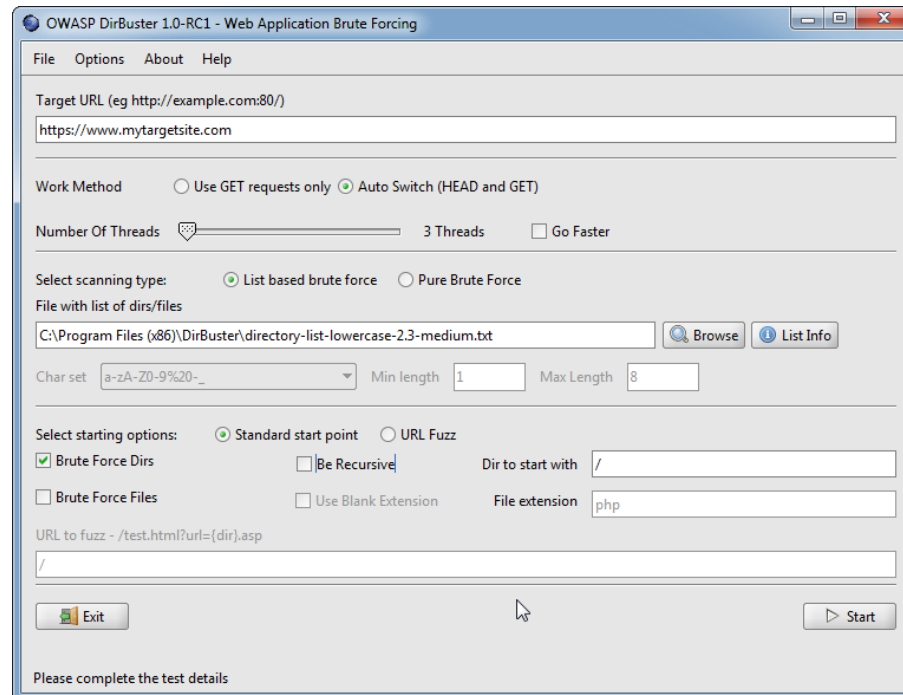
Invoking invalid URLs

- Example: `http://abc.com/<type anything>`



Directory brute forcing

- Find directories which are not referred to by any web page links
- Tool example: DirBuster



DirBuster sample output

OWASP DirBuster 0.12 - Web Application Brute Forcing

File Options About Help

http://192.168.56.101:80/

List View Tree View

Type	Found	Response	Size	Include	Status
Dir	/docs/	200	1117	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Waiting
Dir	/icons/	200	178	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Waiting
Dir	/web/	200	200	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Waiting
Dir	/doc/	403	480	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Waiting
File	/docs/DVWA-Documentation.pdf	200	498801	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Dir	/external/	200	1095	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Waiting
Dir	/logout/	302	352	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Waiting
Dir	/external/phpids/	200	1112	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Waiting
Dir	/config/	200	1106	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Waiting
Dir	/external/phpids/0.6/	200	1912	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Waiting
Dir	/setup/	200	3863	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Waiting
File	/config/config.inc.php	200	191	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Dir	/logs/	200	191	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Waiting
Dir	/vulnerabilities/	200	3303	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Waiting

Current speed: 210 requests/sec (Select and right click for more options)





Average speed: (T) 247, (C) 234 requests/sec

Parse Queue Size: 126

Total Requests: 5439/76429657

Current number of running threads: 10

Time To Finish: 3 Days

 Back  Pause  Stop  Report

DirBuster Stopped /Intro/

Done ?

- Information gathering is an art
- Techniques for information gathering evolve with technology
- Hackers will always try to find clever ways to gather enough information for an attack
- Never stop learning !

Thank you !

Appendix A

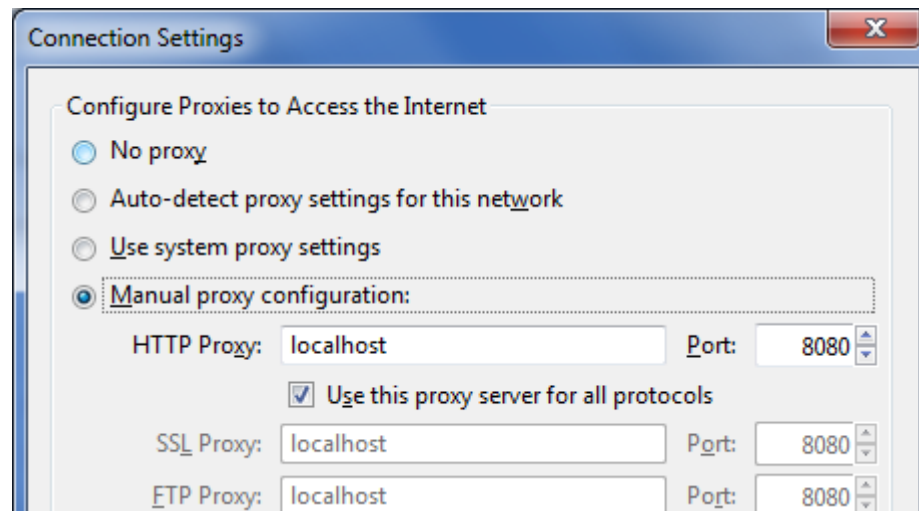
- Proxy

Paros

- Paros is a web proxy
- By default, listens (run) at localhost (127.0.0.1) at port 8080
- How to use:
 1. Configure browser to use proxy
(HTTP Proxy: localhost) (Port: 8080)
 2. Browse target website using the browser

Browser proxy configuration

- Firefox
 - (On Windows) Tools -> Options -> Advanced -> Network -> Settings
 - (On Linux) Edit -> Preferences -> Advanced -> Network -> Settings



Paros in operation

