



Introduction to Cybersecurity
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1. Introduction

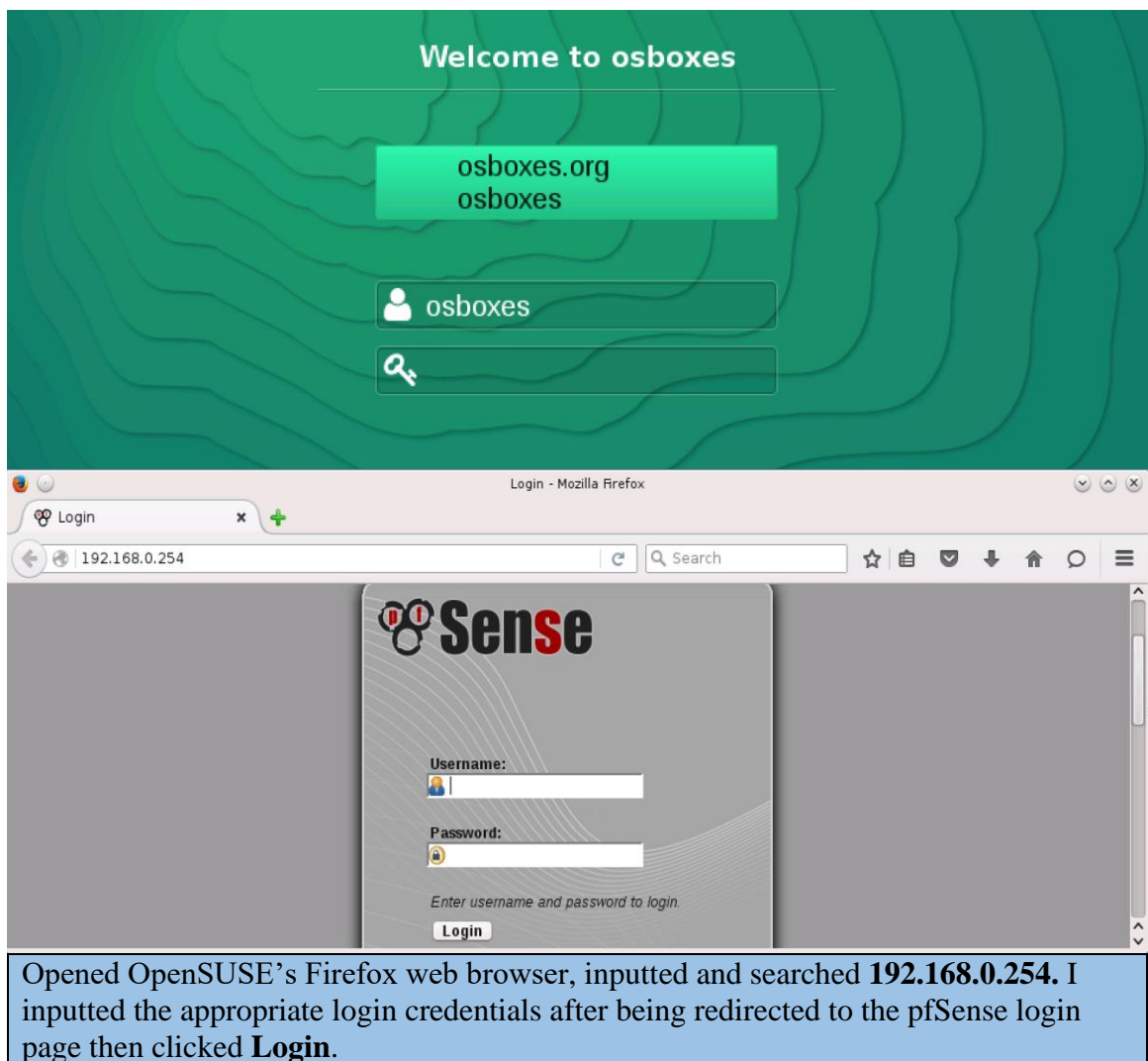
Firewall rules are important in controlling inbound and outbound traffic in a network. I will be performing the following tasks: Navigating to the pfSense Dashboard, Scanning for Firewall Rules with Firewalk, Configuring ACL Rules, and Testing Configured Firewall Rules with Firewalk.

2. Lab Results

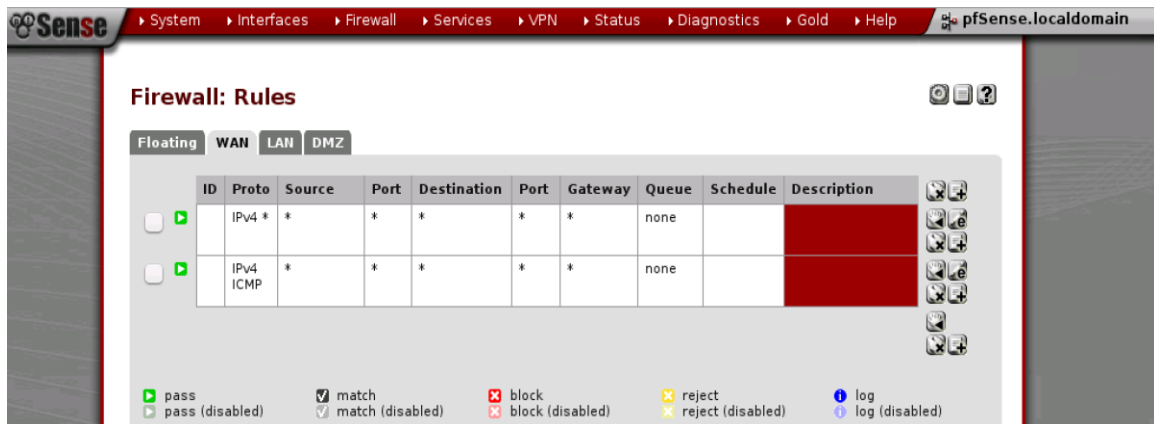
1. Navigating to the pfSense Dashboard

1. OpenSUSE Virtual Machine

2. pfSense login



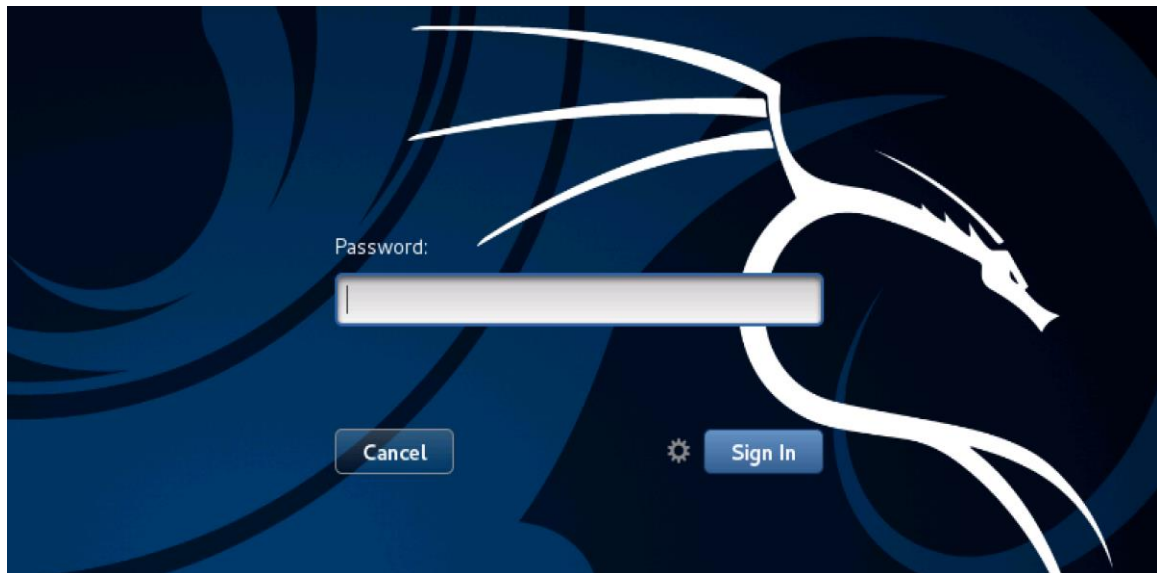
3. Firewall Rules



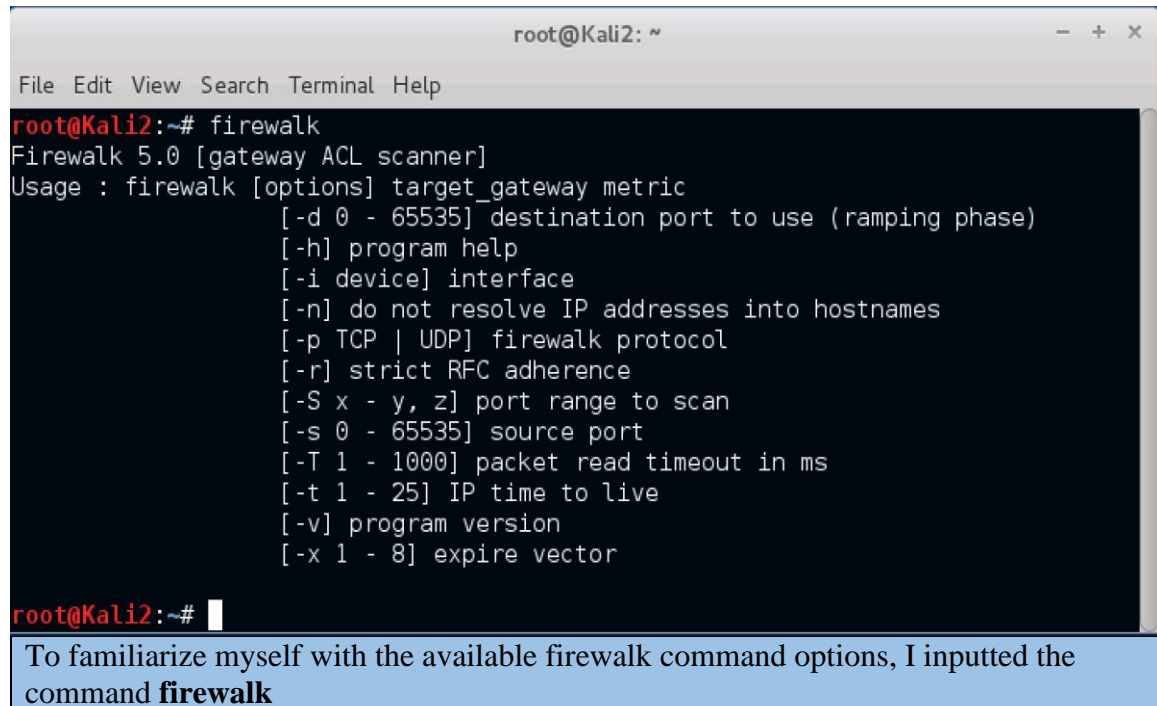
Navigated to **Firewall** > Rules. When observing the WAN rules, I noticed that all protocols are allowed to pass through.

2. Scan for Firewall Rules with Firewalk

1. Launch Kali Linux VM



2. Terminal



```
root@Kali2: ~  
File Edit View Search Terminal Help  
root@Kali2:~# firewalk  
Firewalk 5.0 [gateway ACL scanner]  
Usage : firewalk [options] target_gateway metric  
        [-d 0 - 65535] destination port to use (ramping phase)  
        [-h] program help  
        [-i device] interface  
        [-n] do not resolve IP addresses into hostnames  
        [-p TCP | UDP] firewalk protocol  
        [-r] strict RFC adherence  
        [-S x - y, z] port range to scan  
        [-s 0 - 65535] source port  
        [-T 1 - 1000] packet read timeout in ms  
        [-t 1 - 25] IP time to live  
        [-v] program version  
        [-x 1 - 8] expire vector  
  
root@Kali2:~#
```

To familiarize myself with the available firewalk command options, I inputted the command **firewalk**

3. Nmap scan



```
root@Kali2:~# nmap 192.168.9.1  
  
Starting Nmap 6.49BETA5 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-05-22 07:10 CDT  
mass_dns: warning: Unable to determine any DNS servers. Reverse DNS is disabled.  
Try using --system-dns or specify valid servers with --dns-servers  
Nmap scan report for 192.168.9.1  
Host is up (0.00013s latency).  
Not shown: 998 filtered ports  
PORT      STATE SERVICE  
53/tcp    open  domain  
80/tcp    open  http  
MAC Address: 00:50:56:9A:63:AC (VMware)  
  
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 4.20 seconds  
root@Kali2:~#
```

Attempted an Nmap scan against the firewall with **nmap 192.168.9.1** command. I noticed that there are two open ports reported by Nmap: ports **53** and **80**.

4. ACL rules

```
root@Kali2:~# firewalk -n -p TCP -S 23 -d 23 192.168.9.1 192.168.68.12
Firewalk 5.0 [gateway ACL scanner]
Firewalk state initialization completed successfully.
TCP-based scan.
Ramping phase source port: 53, destination port: 23
Hotfoot through 192.168.9.1 using 192.168.68.12 as a metric.
Ramping Phase:
 1 (TTL 1): expired [192.168.9.1]
Binding host reached.
Scan bound at 2 hops.
Scanning Phase:
port 23: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]

Scan completed successfully.

Total packets sent:          2
Total packet errors:         0
Total packets caught         2
Total packets caught of interest 2
Total ports scanned          1
Total ports open:            1
Total ports unknown:         0
root@Kali2:~#
```

Command **firewalk -n -p TCP -S 23 -d 23 192.168.9.1 192.168.68.12** was used to test if there is an ACL rule for port 23

5. ACL rules

```
root@Kali2:~# firewalk -n -p TCP -S 25 -d 25 192.168.9.1 192.168.68.12
Firewalk 5.0 [gateway ACL scanner]
Firewalk state initialization completed successfully.
TCP-based scan.
Ramping phase source port: 53, destination port: 25
Hotfoot through 192.168.9.1 using 192.168.68.12 as a metric.
Ramping Phase:
 1 (TTL 1): expired [192.168.9.1]
Binding host reached.
Scan bound at 2 hops.
Scanning Phase:
port 25: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]

Scan completed successfully.

Total packets sent:          2
Total packet errors:         0
Total packets caught         2
Total packets caught of interest 2
Total ports scanned          1
Total ports open:            1
Total ports unknown:         0
root@Kali2:~#
```

Command **firewalk -n -p TCP -S 25 -d 25 192.168.9.1 192.168.68.12** was used to test if there is an ACL rule for port 25.

6. Ports 53 to port 80

```
root@Kali2:~# firewalk -S 53-80 -n -p TCP 192.168.9.1 192.168.68.12
Firewalk 5.0 [gateway ACL scanner]
Firewalk state initialization completed successfully.
TCP-based scan.
Ramping phase source port: 53, destination port: 33434
Hotfoot through 192.168.9.1 using 192.168.68.12 as a metric.
Ramping Phase:
 1 (TTL 1): expired [192.168.9.1]
Binding host reached.
Scan bound at 2 hops.
Scanning Phase:
port 53: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 54: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 55: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 56: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 57: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 58: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 59: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 60: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 61: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 62: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 63: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 64: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 65: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 66: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 67: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 68: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 69: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 70: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 71: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 72: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 73: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 74: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 75: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 76: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 77: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 78: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 79: A! open (port not listen) [192.168.68.12]
port 80: A! open (port listen) [192.168.68.12]

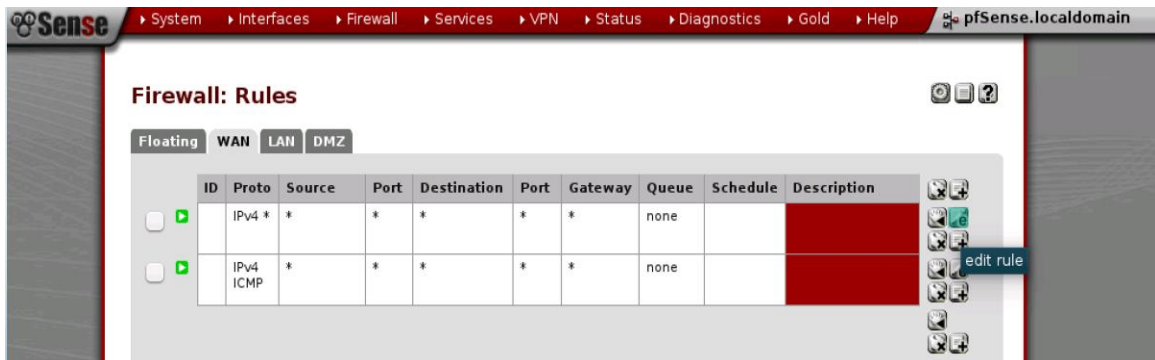
Scan completed successfully.

Total packets sent:      29
Total packet errors:     0
Total packets caught    29
Total packets caught of interest 29
Total ports scanned     28
Total ports open:       28
Total ports unknown:    0
root@Kali2:~#
```

To use firewalk against a range of ports between 53-80, I input command **firewalk -S 53-80 -n -p TCP 192.168.9.1 192.168.68.12**

3. Configuring ACL Rules

1. OpenSUSE VM



Navigated back to the OpenSUSE Virtual Machine and from the **Firewall: Rules** page, clicked the first Edit Rule icon to edit the first WAN rule.

2. Edit page

The screenshot shows the 'Edit Rule' page in pfSense. The following information is configured:

- Protocol:** TCP (selected from a dropdown menu)
- Source:** not (selected), Type: any, Address: / 127
- Destination:** not (selected), Type: any, Address: / 127
- Destination port range:** from: HTTP (80), to: HTTP (80)
- Log:** Log packets that are handled by this rule (checked)
- Description:** You may enter a description here for your reference.

At the bottom, there are 'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons.

I configured the edit page to reflect the below information:

Protocol: **TCP**





Destination port range:


from: **HTTP (80)**




to: **HTTP (80)**


I left everything else in default and I clicked **Save** after I was done inputting the necessary information

3. Apply changes

Firewall: Rules    




 The firewall rule configuration has been changed.
You must apply the changes in order for them to take effect. **Apply changes**

Firewall: Rules   







 The settings have been applied. The firewall rules are now reloading in the background.
You can also monitor the reload progress **Close**

Once the page redirects, I click on the **Apply changes** button that appears at the top of the page.

4. New rule

Firewall: Rules   

Floating **WAN** **LAN** **DMZ**

	ID	Proto	Source	Port	Destination	Port	Gateway	Queue	Schedule	Description	
<input type="checkbox"/>	▶	IPv4 TCP	*	*	*	80 (HTTP)	*	none			  
<input type="checkbox"/>	▶	IPv4 ICMP	*	*	*	*	*	none			  

add a new rule based on this one

Once the edited changes have been applied, I click the **add a new rule based on this one (+)** icon next to the first rule.

5. Firewall: Rules: Edit page

Firewall: Rules: Edit

Edit Firewall rule

Destination port range
from: HTTPS (443)
to: HTTPS (443)
Specify the port or port range for the destination of the packet for this rule.
Hint: you can leave the 'to' field empty if you only want to filter a single port

Log
☐ **Log packets that are handled by this rule**
Hint: the firewall has limited local log space. Don't turn on logging for everything. If you want to do a lot of logging, consider using a remote syslog server (see the Diagnostics: System logs: Settings page).

Description
You may enter a description here for your reference.

Save **Cancel**

Firewall: Rules

The firewall rule configuration has been changed. You must apply the changes in order for them to take effect. **Apply changes**

On the Firewall: Rules: Edit page, I chose **HTTP (443)** as the from: and to: for Destination port range and I left the rest at their default settings. Clicked the **Save** button to have my choices saved. Once the page redirected, I clicked the **Apply changes** button.

6. Firewall: Rules: Edit page

Firewall: Rules

Floating **WAN** **LAN** **DMZ**

ID	Proto	Source	Port	Destination	Port	Gateway	Queue	Schedule	Description
<input type="checkbox"/>	IPv4 TCP	*	*	*	80 (HTTP)	*	none		
<input type="checkbox"/>	IPv4 TCP	*	*	*	443 (HTTPS)	*	none		
<input type="checkbox"/>	IPv4 ICMP	*	*	*	*	*	none		

add a new rule based on this one

Clicked the **add a new rule based on this one (+)** icon next to the last rule.

7. Firewall: Rules: Edit page

Firewall: Rules: Edit

Edit Firewall rule

Protocol	<input type="text" value="UDP"/> Choose which IP protocol this rule should match. Hint: in most cases, you should specify <i>TCP</i> here.
Source	<input type="checkbox"/> not Use this option to invert the sense of the match. Type: <input type="text" value="any"/> Address: <input type="text" value=""/> / <input type="text" value="127"/> <input type="button" value="Advanced"/> - Show source port range
Destination	<input type="checkbox"/> not Use this option to invert the sense of the match. Type: <input type="text" value="any"/> Address: <input type="text" value=""/> / <input type="text" value="127"/>
Destination port range	from: <input type="text" value="DNS (53)"/> to: <input type="text" value="DNS (53)"/> Specify the port or port range for the destination of the packet for this rule. Hint: you can leave the 'to' field empty if you only want to filter a single port
Log	<input type="checkbox"/> Log packets that are handled by this rule Hint: the firewall has limited local log space. Don't turn on logging for everything. If you want to do a lot of logging, consider using a remote syslog server (see the Diagnostics: System logs: Settings page).
Description	<input type="text"/> You may enter a description here for your reference.

On the Firewall: Rules: Edit page, I configured the information to reflect:
Protocol: **UDP**
Destination port range:
from: **DNS (53)**
to: **DNS (53)**
I left everything else on default and **clicked Save**.

8. Apply changes

Firewall: Rules

The firewall rule configuration has been changed.
You must apply the changes in order for them to take effect.

Clicked **Apply changes**

4. Test Configured Firewall Rules with Firewalk

1. Kali Linux VM

```
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Firewalk 5.0 [gateway ACL scanner]
Firewalk state initialization completed successfully.
TCP-based scan.
Ramping phase source port: 53, destination port: 23
Hotfoot through 192.168.9.1 using 192.168.68.12 as a metric.
Ramping Phase:
1 (TTL 1): *no response*
2 (TTL 2): *no response*
3 (TTL 3): *no response*
4 (TTL 4): *no response*
5 (TTL 5): *no response*
6 (TTL 6): *no response*
7 (TTL 7): *no response*
8 (TTL 8): *no response*
9 (TTL 9): *no response*
10 (TTL 10): *no response*
11 (TTL 11): *no response*
```

Navigated back to the terminal and inputted the command **firewalk -n -p TCP -S 23 -d 23 192.168.9.1 192.168.68.12** to try port 23 with firewalk.

3. Port 53

```
root@Kali2:~# firewalk -n -p TCP -S 53 -d 53 192.168.9.1 192.168.68.12
Firewalk 5.0 [gateway ACL scanner]
Firewalk state initialization completed successfully.
TCP-based scan.
Ramping phase source port: 53, destination port: 53
Hotfoot through 192.168.9.1 using 192.168.68.12 as a metric.
Ramping Phase:
1 (TTL 1): *no response*
2 (TTL 2): *no response*
3 (TTL 3): *no response*
4 (TTL 4): *no response*
5 (TTL 5): *no response*
6 (TTL 6): *no response*
7 (TTL 7): *no response*
8 (TTL 8): *no response*
9 (TTL 9): *no response*
10 (TTL 10): *no response*
11 (TTL 11): *no response*
```

inputted the command **firewalk -n -p TCP -S 53 -d 53 192.168.9.1 192.168.68.12** to try port 53 with firewalk.

4. Port 53 with UDP

```
root@Kali2:~# firewalk -n -p UDP -S 53 -d 53 192.168.9.1 192.168.68.12
Firewalk 5.0 [gateway ACL scanner]
Firewalk state initialization completed successfully.
UDP-based scan.
Ramping phase source port: 53, destination port: 53
Hotfoot through 192.168.9.1 using 192.168.68.12 as a metric.
Ramping Phase:
  1 (TTL 1): expired [192.168.9.1]
Binding host reached.
Scan bound at 2 hops.
Scanning Phase:
port 53: A! unknown (unreach ICMP_UNREACH_PORT) [192.168.68.12]

Scan completed successfully.

Total packets sent:          2
Total packet errors:         0
Total packets caught         4
Total packets caught of interest 2
Total ports scanned          1
Total ports open:            0
Total ports unknown:         1
root@Kali2:~#
```

Attempted port 53 again but this time with UDP selected **firewalk -n -p UDP -S 53 -d 53 192.168.9.1 192.168.68.12**. I noticed that a response is now given, this response, ICMP_UNREACH_PORT indicates that a rule may be in place.

Reflections

1. What is the difference between Cisco Extended ACL vs Standard ACL?

With Standard ACL, source addresses are checked, and protocols are either permitted or denied. Extended ACL examines the source and destination addresses, allowing or disallowing particular protocols as well as an application's source and destination TCP and UDP ports.

2. Why is it important for an ethical hacker to learn about open ports on the firewall?

It is important for an ethical hacker to learn about open ports on the firewall because doing so helps with familiarizing themselves in determining which hacking software or program is best suited for utilizing the port that is open on the firewall.

3. Research, what is the difference between Routed Firewall vs Transparent Firewall mode?

Routed Firewall is when each firewall interface is linked to a distinct IP subnet and allocated an IP address on that subnet.

A transparent firewall mode has no IP addresses, and it cannot be detected or manipulated.