

Task 1

Objective: Learn to discover open ports on devices in your local network to understand network exposure.

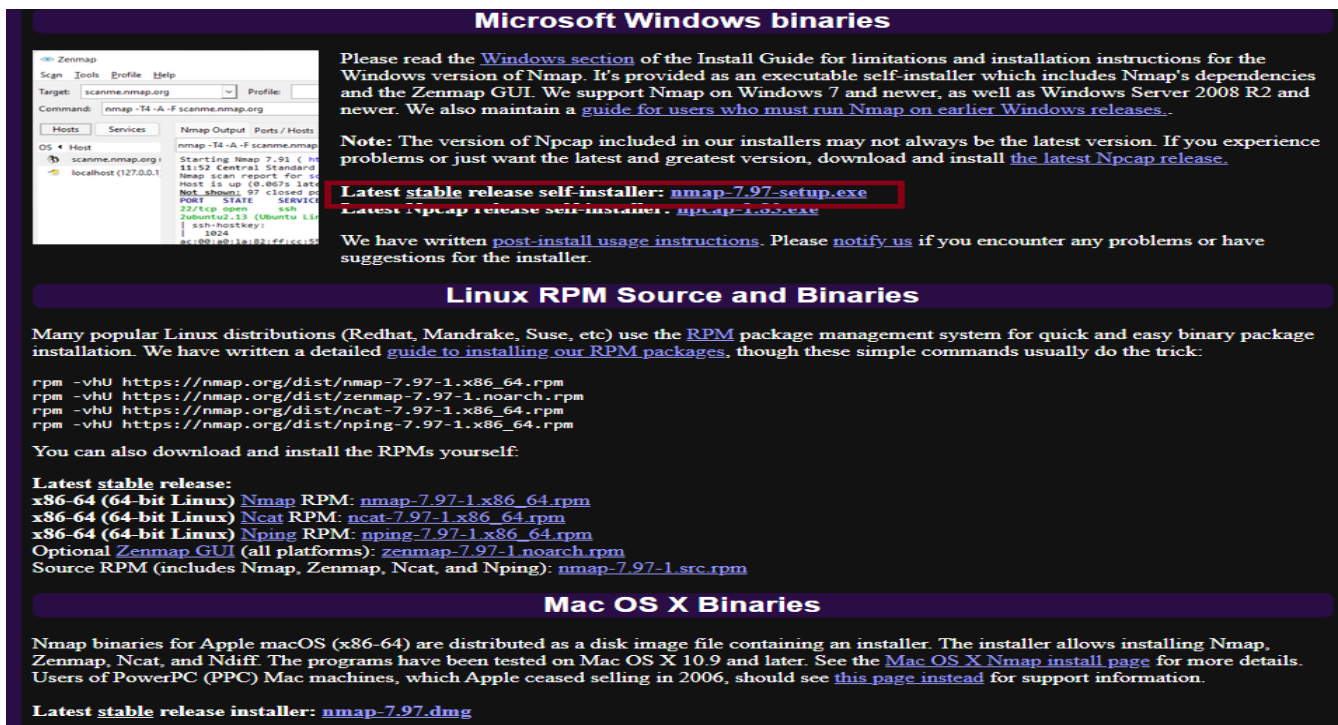
Tools: Nmap, Wireshark, Kali Linux (OS).

Key Concepts: Port scanning, TCP SYN scan, IP ranges, network reconnaissance, open ports, network security basics

Execution:

Note: I completed the task in kali linux (Debian based OS, installed in windows through virtual box)

Step-1: Installing Nmap from official website. For windows, we have to install it from the official site. But in Kali Linux Nmap is already registered. Make sure it is update to latest level.



The screenshot displays the Nmap website's installation page. It is divided into two main sections: 'Microsoft Windows binaries' and 'Linux RPM Source and Binaries'. The Windows section includes a Zenmap GUI screenshot, a link to the Windows section of the Install Guide, and a note about the Npcap version. It highlights the 'Latest stable release self-installer: nmap-7.97-setup.exe' and the 'Latest Npcap release self-installer: npcap-1.95.exe'. The Linux section provides instructions for installing Nmap using RPM packages, listing URLs for various RPMs and a list of RPMs for x86-64 Linux. It also mentions the Zenmap GUI and source RPMs. The 'Mac OS X Binaries' section describes the distribution of Nmap binaries for macOS as a disk image file, mentioning compatibility with Mac OS X 10.9 and later, and providing a link to the Mac OS X Nmap install page. The latest stable release installer for Mac OS X is listed as 'nmap-7.97.dmg'.

(Fig. 1)

Step-2: Once updated, we can find our local IP range. Use *ifconfig* command to get the IP range.

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boogeyman@kali:~$ ifconfig
eth0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 192.168.1.1 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.168.1.255
    inet6 2401:4900:8fd2:9810:bfc7:d8d9:6518:927b prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x0<global>
    inet6 2401:4900:8fd2:9810:a00:27ff:fe2d:5546 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x0<global>
    inet6 fe80::a00:27ff:fe2d:5546 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
    ether 08:00:27:2d:55:46 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
    RX packets 1248 bytes 100292 (97.9 KiB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 619 bytes 53490 (52.2 KiB)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
    inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
    inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
    loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
    RX packets 8 bytes 480 (480.0 B)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 8 bytes 480 (480.0 B)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

boogeyman@kali:~$
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(Fig. 2)

Step-3: Now for the perform TCP Syn scan. Use *sudo nmap -sS 192.168.1.0/24*. The command “sudo” is required to execute commands that requires administrator level permission.

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boogeyman@kali:~$ sudo nmap -sS 192.168.1.0/24
[sudo] password for boogeyman:
Starting Nmap 7.95 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-08-04 15:05 IST
Stats: 0:00:03 elapsed; 0 hosts completed (0 up), 255 undergoing ARP Ping Scan
ARP Ping Scan Timing: About 60.00% done; ETC: 15:05 (0:00:02 remaining)
Nmap scan report for Unit (192.168.1.1)
Host is up (0.014s latency).
Not shown: 985 filtered tcp ports (no-response), 2 filtered tcp ports (port-unreach)
PORT      STATE SERVICE
22/tcp    closed ssh
443/tcp    open  https
631/tcp    closed ipp
8099/tcp   closed unknown
49152/tcp  closed unknown
49154/tcp  closed unknown
49155/tcp  closed unknown
49156/tcp  closed unknown
49157/tcp  closed unknown
49158/tcp  closed unknown
49159/tcp  closed unknown
49160/tcp  closed unknown
49161/tcp  closed unknown
MAC Address: A0:91:CA:64:8D:C1 (Unknown)

Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.7
Host is up (0.00063s latency).
All 1000 scanned ports on 192.168.1.7 are in ignored states.
Not shown: 1000 filtered tcp ports (no-response)
MAC Address: 74:4C:A1:5F:88:73 (Liteon Technology)

Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.8
Host is up (0.021s latency).
Not shown: 999 closed tcp ports (reset)
PORT      STATE SERVICE
7/tcp     filtered echo
MAC Address: 4A:EB:6A:7B:D1:96 (Unknown)
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(Fig.3)

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Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.9
Host is up (0.037s latency).
All 1000 scanned ports on 192.168.1.9 are in ignored states.
Not shown: 1000 closed tcp ports (reset)
MAC Address: E6:20:68:3F:52:65 (Unknown)

Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.10
Host is up (0.0067s latency).
Not shown: 996 closed tcp ports (reset)
PORT      STATE SERVICE
8008/tcp   open  http
8009/tcp   open  ajp13
8443/tcp   open  https-alt
9000/tcp   open  cslistener
MAC Address: 52:64:92:5B:B3:AD (Unknown)

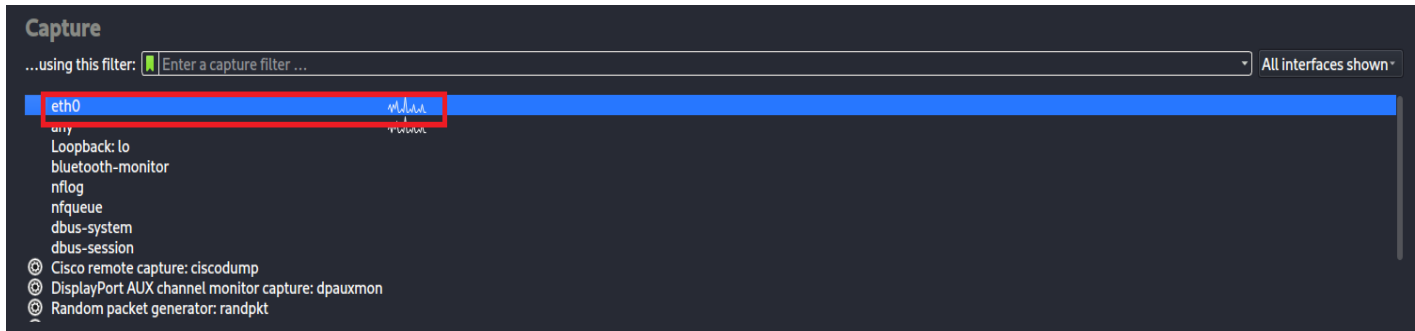
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.35
Host is up (0.000018s latency).
Not shown: 998 closed tcp ports (reset)
PORT      STATE SERVICE
22/tcp    open  ssh
80/tcp    open  http

Nmap done: 256 IP addresses (6 hosts up) scanned in 113.81 seconds
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(Fig. 4)

Step-4: Now for packet analysis, we need to sue **wireshark**. We can install wireshark from official website for windows. For Kali linux, it is preinstalled. Make sure it is update to latest level.

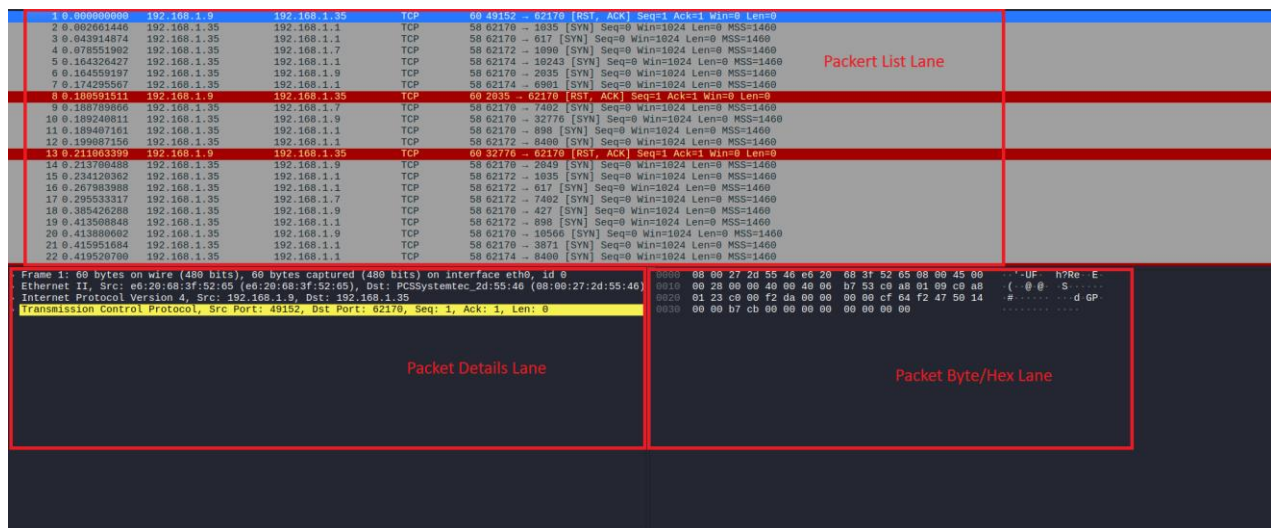
Step-5: We can start wireshark from terminal or we can start it from start option.



(Fig. 5)

Note: The eth0 is the interface for our localhost to capture packets.

Step-7: After selecting the *eth0* interface, the packet capturing starts.



(Fig. 6)

Note: The highlighted region in the wireshark interface described in the image. The packets coloured in red at the *rst* flag/request.

Step-6: Some common services running on those ports. The open ports are Ssh (Secure Shell) on port 22 and Apache2 on port 80.

- The SSH (Secure Shell) is a cryptographic network protocol primarily used for securely accessing and managing devices and servers over an unsecured network. It is widely used by system administrators and developers for several purposes.
- Apache2 (Apache HTTP Server), which operates on port 80, is a crucial component of web hosting. Port 80 is the standard port for HTTP (Hypertext Transfer Protocol) traffic on the web. When one enters a web address (e.g., <http://example.com>) in your web browser, your web browser is connected to the web server on port 80 by default.

Step-7: Identification of potential security risks from open ports

1. Port 22 (SSH) –
 - a. Brute-Force Attacks: Attackers might try guessing passwords and usernames through automated brute-force scripts.
 - b. Taking advantage of Vulnerabilities: If SSH server software is outdated, known vulnerabilities can be exploited to obtain unauthorized access.
 - c. Weak Authentication: Utilizing weak passwords or password-based authentication (rather than key-based) poses threat.
2. Port 80 (HTTP) –
 - a. **Threats Unencrypted Traffic:** All, such as credentials or sensitive data, is sent in plaintext and can be intercepted and therefore insecure against man-in-the-middle or sniffing attacks.
 - b. **Web Application Vulnerabilities:** Open port 80 usually refers to a web server (i.e., Apache). If the web site or server software is vulnerable (e.g., XSS, SQL injection, code execution vulnerabilities), these can be exploited by attackers.
 - c. Reconnaissance involves attackers probing the web server to obtain version information and known vulnerabilities, thereby preparing for targeted attacks.

Step-8: Save scan results as a text or HTML file.

The scan results are saved in a file named `nmap_res.txt`