Network Testing Report

Executive Summary

This phase of the project focused on identifying and analyzing network protocols, services, and traffic within a simulated lab environment using Parrot OS and Metasploitable 2. A combination of tools such as Nmap, Wireshark, and enum4linux were employed to uncover active services, test for vulnerabilities, and map out the network structure. Key services like FTP, SSH, and Telnet were detected, and traffic analysis revealed behavior patterns and potential security issues.

Protocol Testing

- Action: Ran Nmap service scan on 10.138.16.109.
- **Result**: Identified open services:
 - FTP (21) vsftpd 2.3.4
 - SSH (22) OpenSSH 4.7p1
 - o HTTP (80) Apache 2.2.8
 - o Telnet (23) Linux telnetd
 - Others: SMTP, NetBIOS, NFS, Java RMI, etc.
- Browser Check: Visiting http://10.138.16.109 reveals a vulnerable Metasploitable 2 homepage with links to:
 - o TWiki
 - o phpMyAdmin
 - Mutillidae
 - o DVWA
 - WebDAV

These indicate the presence of deliberately vulnerable applications.

X Service Enumeration

- Tool Used: enum4linux -a 10.138.16.109
- Findings:
 - Enumerated shared resources
 - Identified workgroup info (WORKGROUP)
 - NetBIOS names and user details revealed
- **Purpose**: Gather insight into SMB service and potential users or misconfigurations.

Network Mapping

• **Diagram**: (See Image Provided)

Attacker Machine: Parrot OS

o Target: Metasploitable 2

o Discovered Services: FTP, SSH, Telnet, HTTP

⚠ Access Point Identification

Servic e	Port	Vulnerability	Risk Level	Why It's Risky
FTP	21	Anonymous login allowed	High	Unauthorized access without credentials
Telnet	23	Insecure remote login	High	Sends credentials in plaintext
HTTP	80	Apache 2.2.8 outdated, directory indexing enabled	High	Many known CVEs, info disclosure
SSH	22	OpenSSH 4.7p1 (old version)	Medium	May be vulnerable to brute-force or RCE exploits

Traffic Analysis

• Tool Used: Wireshark

• Filter Applied: ip.addr == 10.138.16.109

• Captured Protocol: ICMP (ping) traffic

• Observation: Echo requests and replies confirm live host and connectivity.

• Insights:

No encrypted traffic detected in ping

Highlighted the presence of unsecured and visible traffic

Useful for host discovery and timing analysis

Recommendations

Risk Area

Suggested Mitigation

Anonymous FTP	Disable anonymous login or restrict access via firewall			
Telnet	Replace with SSH or secure access layer (e.g., VPN)			
Apache (HTTP)	Upgrade Apache version and disable directory indexing			
Old OpenSSH	Update SSH server and enforce strong password policy			
General	Segment network, monitor with IDS, apply least privilege			





