

Internship Final Report

PORT Guard

(Port Scanning Automation Tool)



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Project Title: PORT Guard (Port Scan-Automation)

Introduction:

Our Port Scanning project is an advanced web-based automation tool for Nmap (Network Mapper), the popular network scanning utility. Designed with a user-friendly interface, this tool allows users to configure and execute Nmap scans effortlessly, even if they have limited technical expertise.

Why have we used NMAP only?

We decided to automate python script for only NMAP tool as among the list of port scanning tools, NMAP stands out as the most featured and widely used tool. Below are some supporting points:

Comparison with other tools:

- **MASSCAN:**
MASSCAN is a very fast network scanner but is basic compared to Nmap. It doesn't do advanced tasks like figuring out what services are running or what operating systems are in use.
- **OpenVAS:**
OpenVAS is a powerful security scanner that can find vulnerabilities, but it's more complicated to set up and manage than Nmap, which can be a barrier for some users.
- **Zenmap:**
Zenmap is just the graphical user interface (GUI) for Nmap. It looks nicer and is easier to use but doesn't offer any additional features beyond what Nmap provides.
- **Unicornscent:**
Unicornscent is a scanning tool, but it doesn't provide as many options for detecting services or operating systems compared to Nmap.
- **Angry IP Scanner:**
Angry IP Scanner is simple and easy to use, but it's not as powerful or feature rich as Nmap, making it less suitable for detailed scanning.
- **Netcat:**
Netcat is a versatile tool for network communication but lacks the specialized scanning capabilities that Nmap offers for network discovery and assessment.
- **Hping:**
Hping is great for testing firewall settings and performing advanced network tests, but it doesn't cover as many general scanning features as Nmap does.

Summary Table:

Tool	Strengths	Weaknesses
MASSCAN	Fast scanning	No service/OS detection
OpenVAS	Vulnerability scanning	Complex setup
Zenmap	User-friendly GUI	No extra features
UnicornsCan	Unique scanning techniques	Limited service/OS detection
Angry IP Scanner	Simple and easy to use	Less powerful than Nmap
Netcat	Versatile network tool	Lacks scanning features
Hping	Firewall testing	Not as comprehensive as Nmap

Key Features:

Following are the features of our tool:

- **IP Range Scanning:**
Easily input single IP addresses or entire ranges for scanning. (e.g. 192.168.198.129 or 192.168.198.129-200)
- **Scan using Domain Name:**
User can also scan with domain name. (e.g. nu.edu.pk)
- **Mode Selection:**
Choose between Normal and Advanced scanning modes.
- **Normal Scan:**
Only tells open ports and running services.
- **Advanced Scan Options:**
 - **Scan Types:**
Select from various scan types such as TCP SYN, UDP, and more.
 - **Host Discovery:**
Customize host discovery methods.
 - **Port Selection:**
Default or custom port ranges.
 - **Service Detection:**
Determine service versions and operating systems.
 - **Firewall Evasion:**
Options for evading firewalls and intrusion detection systems.
 - **Nmap Scripting:**
Included specific Nmap scripts for enhanced functionality.

- **Output Formats:**
Multiple output formats including XML, normal text, and greppable.

How to set up?

Follow these instructions to get a copy of the project up and running on your local machine for development and testing purposes.

Prerequisites

- Python 3.6+
- pip (Python package installer)
- Nmap (required)

Installation

Step 1:

Clone the Repository

```
https://github.com/AhmadHanif12/Port-Scanning-Automation.git  
cd Port-Scanning-Automation
```

Step 2:

Open this directory

```
cd Nmap_Automation
```

Step 3:

Installing requirements

```
pip3 install requirements.txt
```

Step 4:

Run the tool

```
sudo python app.py
```

Step 5:

Visit <http://127.0.0.1:8080/> in your browser.

Now, the tool is ready for use in your browser.

Visual Representation of Each Feature:

Selected Advance mode

PORT GUARD

Enter IP address or range:

Format: 192.168.0.1 or 192.168.0.1-255 or nu.edu.pk

Select mode:

Advanced

Scan Type(s):

Select scan type:

TCP SYN port scan (Stealth scan)

Add

Host Discover

Select host discover:

TCP SYN port scan (Stealth scan)

TCP connect port scan

UDP port scan

Port scan only

Port Selection

TCP ACK port scan

TCP Null scan

TCP FIN scan

TCP Xmas scan

ARP scan

Service Version

Select service details:

1-65535

on the service running

Firewall / IDS Evasion and Spoofing Option(s):

Select firewall evasion option:

Scan using fragmented IP packets

Output Format:

Select output format:

Normal

Add

Nmap Script(s):

Select Nmap script:

HTTP Enum

Add

It detects open ports by sending SYN packets and observing responses without completing the handshake

It detects open ports by fully establishing and then terminating a TCP connection.

UDP port scan checks for open UDP ports by sending packets and analyzing responses to determine their status (open/closed).

TCP ACK port scan sends ACK packets to detect firewall rules and filtering without completing connections.

A TCP null scan sends packets with no flags set (null packets) to detect open ports by analyzing the lack of response, exploiting certain TCP/IP stack behaviors.

Open Port: If a port is open, it ignores the FIN packet, indicating its status by the lack of response.

Closed Port: If a port is closed, it responds with a TCP RST (reset) packet, indicating it is not in use.

The TCP XMAS scan uses the FIN, URG, and PSH flags in its packet.
URG (Urgent): Indicates that the packet contains urgent data.
PSH (Push): Requests that the data be pushed through to the receiving application immediately.

An ARP (Address Resolution Protocol) scan discovers devices on a network by sending ARP requests and mapping active devices using their MAC addresses.

Run Nmap

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Selected Advance mode

PORT GUARD

Enter IP address or range: Format: 192.168.0.1 or 192.168.0.1-255 or nu.edu.pk
Select mode: **Advanced** ▼

Scan Type(s):

Select scan type: **TCP SYN port scan (Stealth scan)** ▼ Add

Host Discovery Option(s):

Select host discovery option: **Disable host discovery (Port scan only)** ▼

Port Selection:

☒ Default (1-1024) ☐ Custom

Service Version and OS

Select service detection option:

Firewall / IDS Evasion and Spoofing Option(s):

Select firewall evasion option: **Scan using fragmented IP packets** ▼ Add

Output Format:

Select output format: **Normal** ▼ Add

Nmap Script(s):

Select Nmap script: **HTTP Enum** ▼ Add

It only scans for open ports without checking if hosts are active.

It sends SYN packets to port 80 to detect active hosts.

It sends ACK packets to port 80 to identify active hosts.

It uses ARP requests to discover active hosts on a local network.

It sends UDP packets to detect active hosts.

Run Nmap

PORT GUARD

Enter IP address or range: Format: 192.168.0.1 or 192.168.0.1-255 or nu.edu.pk
Select mode: Advanced

Scan Type(s):

Select scan type: TCP SYN port scan (Stealth scan)

Host Discovery Option(s):

Select host discovery option: Disable host discovery (Port scan only)

It will scan all reserved or well known ports.

Port Selection:

☐ Default (1-1024) ☒ Custom ports:

User can select custom port scans.

Service Version and OS Detection Option(s):

Select service detection option: Determine the version of the service running on port

Firewall / IDS Evasion and Spoofing Option(s):

Select firewall evasion option: Scan using fragmented IP packets

Output Format:

Select output format: Normal

Nmap Script(s):

Select Nmap script: HTTP Enum

Run Nmap

Selected Advance mode

PORT GUARD

Enter IP address or range: Format: 192.168.0.1 or 192.168.0.1-255 or nu.edu.pk
Select mode:

Scan Type(s):

Select scan type:

Host Discovery Option(s):

Select host discovery option:

Port Selection:

☐ Default (1-1024) ☒ Custom ports:

Service Version and OS Detection Option(s):

Select service detection option:

Firewall / IDS Evasion and

Select firewall evasion option:

Output Format:

Select output format:

Nmap Script(s):

Select Nmap script:

Identifies the version of the services running on open ports.

Detects the operating system of the remote host.

Increases the intensity of version detection, making it more accurate.

Only performs OS detection on likely responsive hosts to save time.

Makes Nmap more aggressive in guessing the OS when it is uncertain.

Run Nmap

Selected Advance mode

PORT GUARD

Enter IP address or range: Format: 192.168.0.1 or 192.168.0.1-255 or nu.edu.pk
Select mode:

Scan Type(s):

Select scan type:

Host Discovery Option(s):

Select host discovery option:

Port Selection:

☐ Default (1-1024) ☒ Custom ports:

Service Version and OS Detection Option(s):

Select service detection option:

Breaks the scan packets into smaller fragments to evade detection by firewalls and intrusion detection systems (IDS).

Firewall / IDS Evasion and Spoofing Option(s):

Select firewall evasion option:

Uses 10 randomly generated decoy IP addresses to disguise the real source of the scan, making it harder to trace.

Output Format:

Select output format:

Uses port 53 as the source port for the scan packets, which can sometimes bypass firewalls that allow DNS traffic.

Nmap Script(s):

Select Nmap script:

Adds extra data to each scan packet, making them 50 bytes long to evade detection by intrusion detection systems.

Selected Advance mode

PORT GUARD

Enter IP address or range: Format: 192.168.0.1 or 192.168.0.1-255 or nu.edu.pk

Select mode: Advanced

Scan Type(s):

Select scan type: TCP SYN port scan (Stealth scan)

Host Discovery Option(s):

Select host discovery option: Disable host discovery (Port scan only)

Port Selection:

☐ Default (1-1024) ☒ Custom ports:

Service Version and OS Detection Option(s):

Select service detection option: Determine the version of the service running on port

Firewall / IDS Evasion and Spoofing Option(s):

Select firewall evasion option: Scan using fragmented IP packets

Output Format:

Select output format: Normal

Nmap Script(s):

Select Nmap script: Normal

XML

Grepable

All formats

User can easily select and download required output format.

Run Nmap

Selected Advance mode

PORT GUARD

Enter IP address or range: Format: 192.168.0.1 or 192.168.0.1-255 or nu.edu.pk

Select mode:

Advanced

Scan Type(s):

Select scan type:

TCP SYN port scan (Stealth scan)

Add

Host Discovery Option(s):

Select host discovery option:

Disable host discovery (Port scan only)

Port Selection:

☐ Default (1-1024)

☒ Custom ports:

Service Version and OS Detection Option(s):

Select service detection option:

Determine the version of the service running on port

Add

Firewall / IDS Evasion and Spoofing Option(s):

Select firewall evasion option:

Scan using fragmented IP packets

Add

Output Format:

Select output format:

Normal

Add

Nmap Script(s):

Select Nmap script:

HTTP Enum

Add

HTTP Enum

FTP Anon

SMB OS Discovery

SSL Cert

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list common files and directories on a web server one by one to identify potentially interesting or sensitive content.

Checks if the FTP server allows anonymous login, which can be a security risk.

Retrieves and shows SSL certificate details from the target.

Detects the operating system using the SMB protocol, network file sharing protocol

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