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Introduction:

This goal of this report is to conduct a port scan on the MOP site, both the site being hosted that was provided to us for testing purposes: https://react-test-6najyje5cq-uc.a.run.app/
As well as the MOP site that is linked on the official Github: https://melbourne-open-playground.vercel.app/

Most of the information on how we will run these port scans is provided by the nmap official book about port scanning.

Tools used:

- Kali Linux
- Nmap

Scope of Testing

The scope of our testing will be solely the MOP site, which we will not have any prior knowledge of the inner workings of the site, nor GCP access to the site, all tests will be performed as an outsider with no permissions with the intention of identifying open ports and potential vulnerabilities of the network the website is hosted on.

Methodology

Firstly we are going to be running basic entry scans on both MOP sites, which as outlined in the documentation for nmap is as simple as calling nmap with the url you want to scan.

Example 4.2. Simple scan: nmap scanme.nmap.org

After we will run nmap with more advanced flags also provided in the nmap tutorial which will use:

[&]quot;-p0-" – making nmap scan every possible TCP port

[&]quot;-v" – run nmap in verbose mode to provide us more information with each scan

[&]quot;-A" – enable aggressive tests such as remote OS detection

[&]quot;-T4" – enables a more aggressive timing policy which speeds up the scan.

Results

Firstly the simple scans on both MOP sites:

```
(kali® kali)-[~]
$ nmap react-test-6najyje5cq-uc.a.run.app
Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-04-18 07:52 EDT
Nmap scan report for react-test-6najyje5cq-uc.a.run.app (216.239.36.53)
Host is up (0.0059s latency).
Other addresses for react-test-6najyje5cq-uc.a.run.app (not scanned): 216.239.38.53 216.239.32
.53 216.239.34.53 2001:4860:4802:38::35 2001:4860:4802:32::35 2001:4860:4802:34::35 2001:4860:4802:36::35
Not shown: 998 filtered tcp ports (no-response)
PORT STATE SERVICE
80/tcp open http
443/tcp open https
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 4.82 seconds
```

Other then port 80 and port 443, nothing else identified, which is normal.

```
(kali® kali)-[~]
$ nmap melbourne-open-playground.vercel.app
Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-04-18 07:53 EDT
Nmap scan report for melbourne-open-playground.vercel.app (76.76.21.164)
Host is up (0.0072s latency).
Other addresses for melbourne-open-playground.vercel.app (not scanned): 76.76.21.9
Not shown: 998 filtered tcp ports (no-response)
PORT STATE SERVICE
80/tcp open http
443/tcp open https
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 5.12 seconds
```

Once again nothing found other then port 80 and port 443, so both sites are looking secure on the open port front, but let's run our advanced tests to identify maybe something the simple scan missed:

```
Completed NSE at 07:56, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 07:56
Completed Ping Scan at 07:56
Initiating Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host, at 07:56
Completed Ping Scan at 07:56
Initiating Connect Scan at 07:56
Completed Ping Scan at 07:56
Initiating Connect Scan at 07:56
Increasing send delay for 216:239:34.53
Increasing send delay for 216:239:34.53 from 0 to 5 due to 11 out of 17 dropped probes since l ast increase.
Connect Scan Timing: About 8.15% done; ETC: 08:08 (0:12:05 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 2.04% done; ETC: 08:10 (0:13:09 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 26.48% done; ETC: 08:10 (0:11:39 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 26.48% done; ETC: 08:10 (0:10:39 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 26.48% done; ETC: 08:10 (0:10:002 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 37.07% done; ETC: 08:10 (0:10:002 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 37.07% done; ETC: 08:10 (0:00:002 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 37.07% done; ETC: 08:11 (0:00:002 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 48.64% done; ETC: 08:11 (0:00:002 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 48.64% done; ETC: 08:11 (0:00:002 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 48.64% done; ETC: 08:11 (0:00:002 remaining)
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Connect Scan Timing: About 48.64% done; ETC: 08:11 (0:00:002 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 48.64% done; ETC: 08:11 (0:00:002 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 64.65% do
```

The advanced scan took over 16 minutes and yet unfortunately for us, but fortunately for the MOP site no additional open ports were detected.

This was using the MOP site we were provided:

https://react-test-6najyje5cquc.a.run.app/ Once again, the advanced test took a little extra, and despite deep dive it attempted, no other ports other then 80 and 443 were identified.

This was using the MOP site identified on the GitHub:

https://melbourne-open-playground.vercel.app/

```
Initiating Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host. at 10:45
Completed Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host. at 10:45, 0.01s elapsed
Initiating Connect Scan at 10:45
Scanning melbourne-open-playground.vercel.app (76.76.21.9) [65536 ports]
Discovered open port 43/tcp on 76.76.21.9
Discovered open port 80/tcp on 76.76.21.9
Finereasing send delay for 76.76.21.9 from 0 to 5 due to 11 out of 17 dropped probes since la st increase.
Connect Scan Timing: About 4.22% done; ETC: 10:57 (0:11:44 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 79.78 done; ETC: 10:59 (0:12:51 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 16.90% done; ETC: 10:59 (0:12:51 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 29.47% done; ETC: 11:00 (0:01:24) remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 29.47% done; ETC: 11:00 (0:01:24) remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 29.47% done; ETC: 11:00 (0:01:24) remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 49.55% done; ETC: 11:00 (0:09:47 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 48.55% done; ETC: 11:00 (0:09:47 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 51.23% done; ETC: 11:00 (0:08:12 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 51.23% done; ETC: 11:00 (0:08:12 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 51.23% done; ETC: 11:00 (0:06:36 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 51.23% done; ETC: 11:00 (0:06:36 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 61.63% done; ETC: 11:00 (0:06:36 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 61.63% done; ETC: 11:00 (0:06:312 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 71.56% done; ETC: 11:00 (0:06:312 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 71.56% done; ETC: 11:00 (0:08:12 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 82.85% done; ETC: 11:00 (0:08:12 remaining)
Connect Scan Timing: About 82.85% done; ETC: 11:00 (0:08:12 remaining)
Stats: 0:12:54 elapsed; 0 hosts completed (1 up), 1 undergoing Connect Scan
Connect Scan Timing: About 84.75% done; ETC: 11:00 (0:02:19 remaining)
Stats: 0:12:54 elapsed; 0 hosts completed (1 up), 1 undergoing Connect Scan
Connect Scan Timing: About 84.76% done; ETC: 11:00 (0:02:19 remaining)
Stats: 0:12:54 elapsed; 0 hosts completed (1 up),
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Recommendations & Conclusions

Using the results of our testing it is clear to see that when it comes to open ports there are no vulnerabilities on either MOP site, with only port 80 and port 443 being open, for standard and encrypted traffic respectively which is the normal for a website, and as such there are no recommendations I can offer regarding this matter.

In conclusion the security of the network might be vulnerable via other methods but an attack using an open port other then 80 or 443 is just not possible as they all seem to be closed, so MOP passes the port vulnerability test.

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