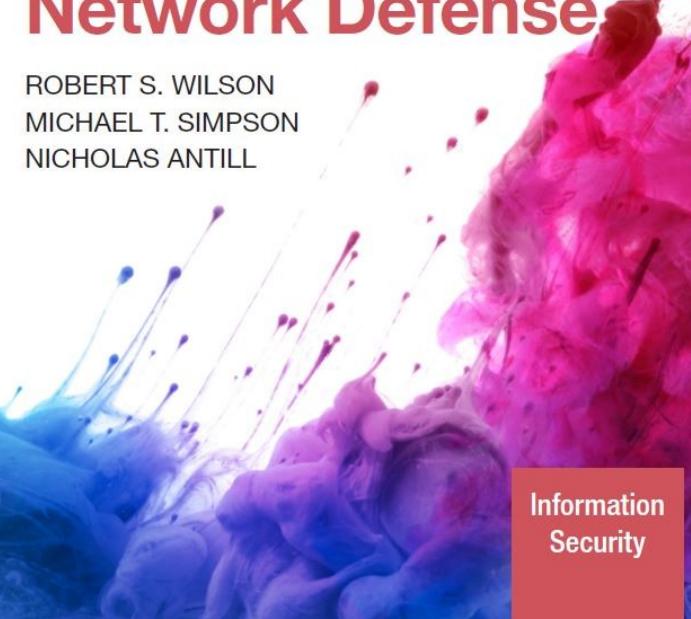


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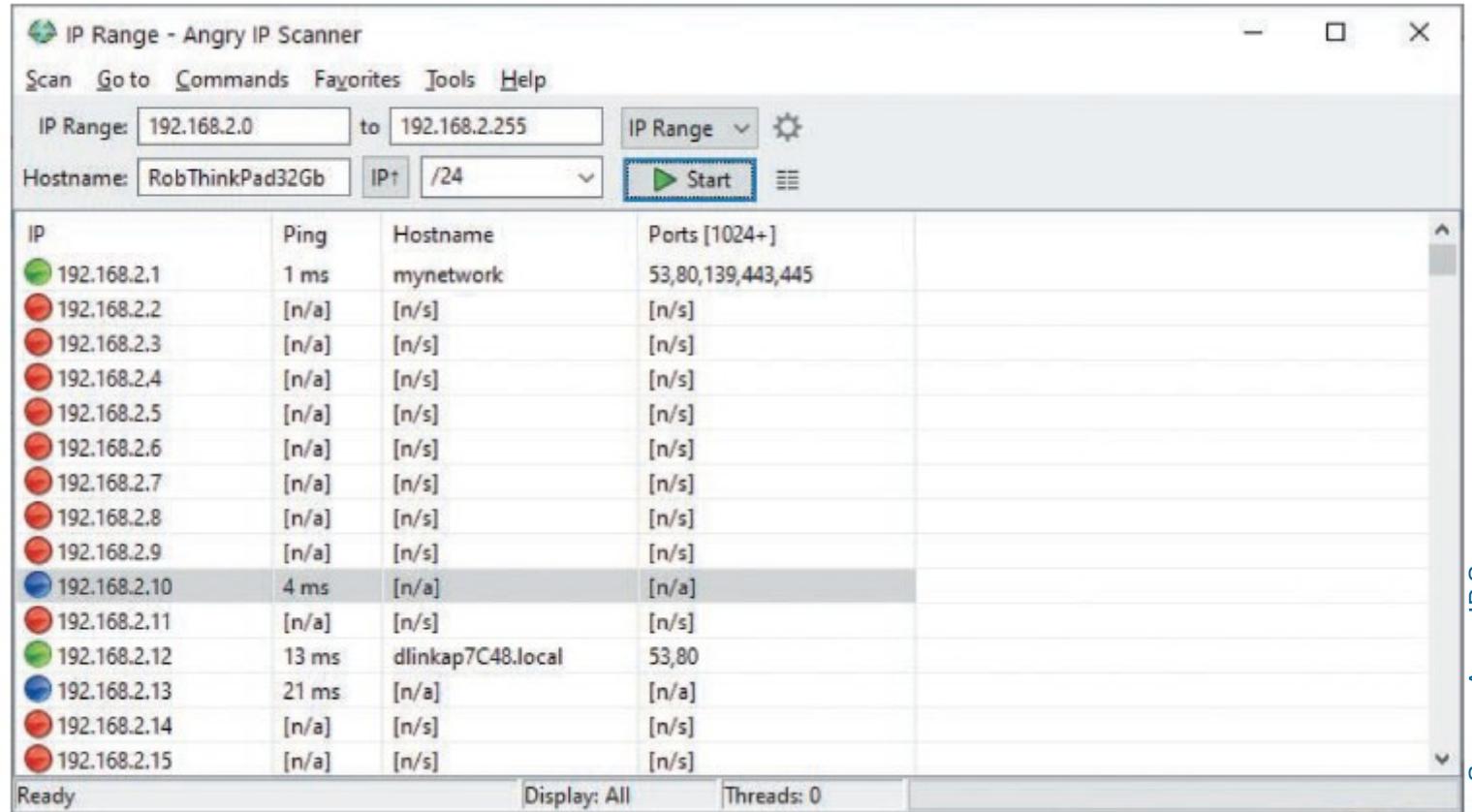
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## Module 5: Port Scanning

# Introduction to Port Scanning (1 of 3)

- **Port scanning**
  - Method of finding which services are offered by a host computer
  - Identifies vulnerabilities
- Port-scanning tools
  - Identify vulnerable open ports and launch an exploit to attack the system
- Security testers must scan all ports when testing
  - Not just well-known ports

# Introduction to Port Scanning (2 of 3)



**Figure 5-1** Angry IP port scanner interface

# Introduction to Port Scanning (3 of 3)

- Port-scanning programs report:
  - **Open ports**
    - Allow access to applications and can be vulnerable to an attack
  - **Closed ports**
    - Don't allow entry or access to a service
  - **Filtered ports**
    - Might indicate that a firewall is being used to allow specified traffic into or out of the network

# Types of Port Scans (1 of 2)

- SYN scan
  - Stealthy scan
- Connect scan
  - Completes the three-way handshake
- NULL scan
  - All packet flags are turned off
- XMAS scan
  - FIN, PSH, and URG flags are set

# Types of Port Scans (2 of 2)

- ACK scan
  - Used to get past a firewall or other filtering device
- FIN scan
  - Closed port responds with an RST packet when the FIN packet is sent to the target computer
- UDP scan
  - UDP packet is sent to the target computer
    - If port sends back an ICMP “Port Unreachable” message
      - Implies that the port is closed

# Using Port-Scanning Tools

- Port-scanning tools
  - Hundreds are available
  - Not all are accurate
    - Be familiar with a variety of tools
    - Practice often to gain proficiency
  - Do not use one tool exclusively
- Some tools include:
  - **Nmap**
  - Nessus and OpenVAS

# Nmap (1 of 2)

- Originally written for *Phrack* magazine
  - One of the most popular port-scanning tools
  - New features are frequently added
- GUI front end
  - Known as Zenmap
  - Makes working with complex options easier
- Standard port-scanning tool for security professionals
  - Command: nmap 193.145.85.201
    - Scans every port on the computer with this IP address

# Nmap (2 of 2)

```
root@kali: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
Nmap 7.60 ( https://nmap.org )
Usage: nmap [Scan Type(s)] [Options] {target specification}
TARGET SPECIFICATION:
  Can pass hostnames, IP addresses, networks, etc.
  Ex: scanme.nmap.org, microsoft.com/24, 192.168.0.1; 10.0.0-255.1-254
  -iL <inputfilename>: Input from list of hosts/networks
  -iR <num hosts>: Choose random targets
  --exclude <host1[,host2][,host3],...>: Exclude hosts/networks
  --excludefile <exclude_file>: Exclude list from file
HOST DISCOVERY:
  -sL: List Scan - simply list targets to scan
  -sn: Ping Scan - disable port scan
  -Pn: Treat all hosts as online -- skip host discovery
  -PS/PA/PY[portlist]: TCP SYN/ACK, UDP or SCTP discovery to given ports
  -PE/PP/PM: ICMP echo, timestamp, and netmask request discovery probes
  -PO[protocol list]: IP Protocol Ping
  -n/-R: Never do DNS resolution/Always resolve [default: sometimes]
  --dns-servers <serv1[,serv2],...>: Specify custom DNS servers
  --system-dns: Use OS's DNS resolver
  --traceroute: Trace hop path to each host
SCAN TECHNIQUES:
  -sS/sT/sA/sW/sM: TCP SYN/Connect()/ACK/Window/Maimon scans
  -sU: UDP Scan
  -sN/sF/sX: TCP Null, FIN, and Xmas scans
  --scanflags <flags>: Customize TCP scan flags
  -sI <zombie host[:probeport]>: Idle scan
  -sY/sZ: SCTP INIT/COOKIE-ECHO scans
:
```

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Figure 5-2 Nmap help screen

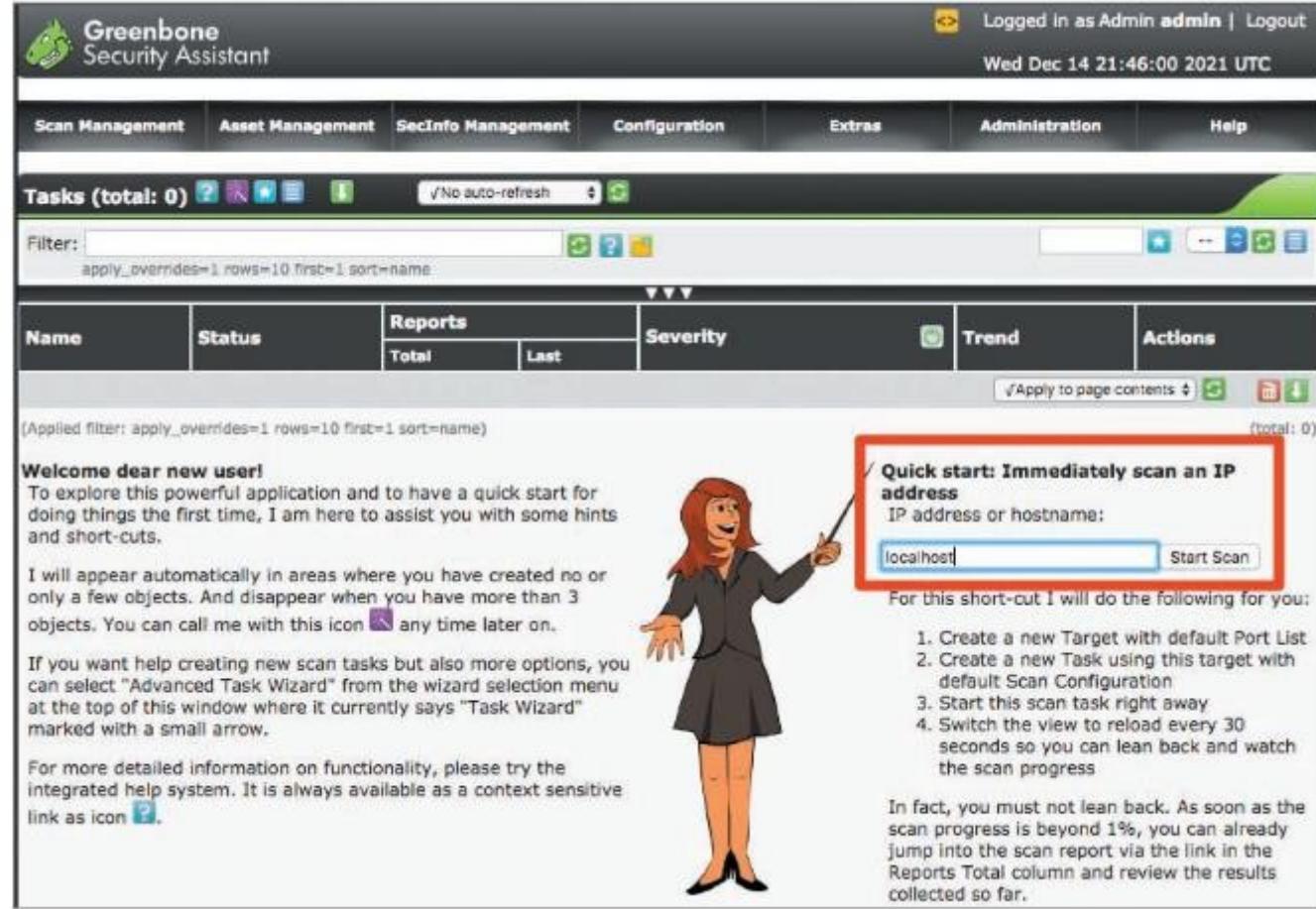
# Nessus and OpenVAS (or Greenbone Security Assistant) (1 of 4)

- **Nessus**
  - Vulnerable assessment tool from Tenable
  - Extends NMAP capabilities by analyzing open ports for specific version information
  - Provides detailed vulnerability information on the corresponding service
  - Nessus Professional
    - Product you purchase
  - Nessus Essentials
    - Provides a free version

# Nessus and OpenVAS (or Greenbone Security Assistant) (2 of 4)

- **OpenVAS**
  - Open-source fork of Nessus
  - Now branded as Greenbone Security Assistant
  - Capable of updating security check plug-ins when they become available
    - Security test program that can be selected from the client interface
    - Leaving the Safe checks enabled in the policy is advisable
    - Can also determine what vulnerabilities are associated with services

# Nessus and OpenVAS (or Greenbone Security Assistant) (3 of 4)



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**Figure 5-4** OpenVAS (Greenbone Security Assistant) home screen

# Nessus and OpenVAS (or Greenbone Security Assistant) (4 of 4)

The screenshot shows the OpenVAS interface with a list of vulnerabilities. The table has columns for Vulnerability, Severity, QoD, Host, Location, and Created. A filter bar at the top includes fields for severity (>Error), task\_id (9da59605-d528-4fb6-9e78-b922), and sort-reverse (qod). The results show 35 total vulnerabilities, with the first 10 listed below.

Vulnerability	Severity	QoD	Host	Location	Created
GSA Default Admin Credentials	10.0 (High)	100%	127.0.0.1	443/tcp	Wed Dec 14 22:02:47 2021
SSL/TLS: Report Perfect Forward Secrecy (PFS) Cipher Suites	0.0 (Low)	98%	127.0.0.1	9390/tcp	Wed Dec 14 21:49:15 2021
SSL/TLS: Report Perfect Forward Secrecy (PFS) Cipher Suites	0.0 (Low)	98%	127.0.0.1	443/tcp	Wed Dec 14 21:49:15 2021
SSL/TLS: Report Supported Cipher Suites	0.0 (Low)	98%	127.0.0.1	9390/tcp	Wed Dec 14 21:49:15 2021
SSL/TLS: Report Supported Cipher Suites	0.0 (Low)	98%	127.0.0.1	443/tcp	Wed Dec 14 21:49:15 2021
SSL/TLS: Report Medium Cipher Suites	0.0 (Low)	98%	127.0.0.1	9390/tcp	Wed Dec 14 21:50:48 2021
SSL/TLS: Report Medium Cipher Suites	0.0 (Low)	98%	127.0.0.1	443/tcp	Wed Dec 14 21:50:48 2021
SSL/TLS: Report Non Weak Cipher Suites	0.0 (Low)	98%	127.0.0.1	9390/tcp	Wed Dec 14 21:50:48 2021
SSL/TLS: Report Weak Cipher Suites	5.0 (Medium)	98%	127.0.0.1	9390/tcp	Wed Dec 14 21:50:49 2021
SSL/TLS: Report Non Weak Cipher Suites	0.0 (Low)	98%	127.0.0.1	443/tcp	Wed Dec 14 21:50:49 2021

Figure 5-5 Vulnerabilities listed in OpenVAS

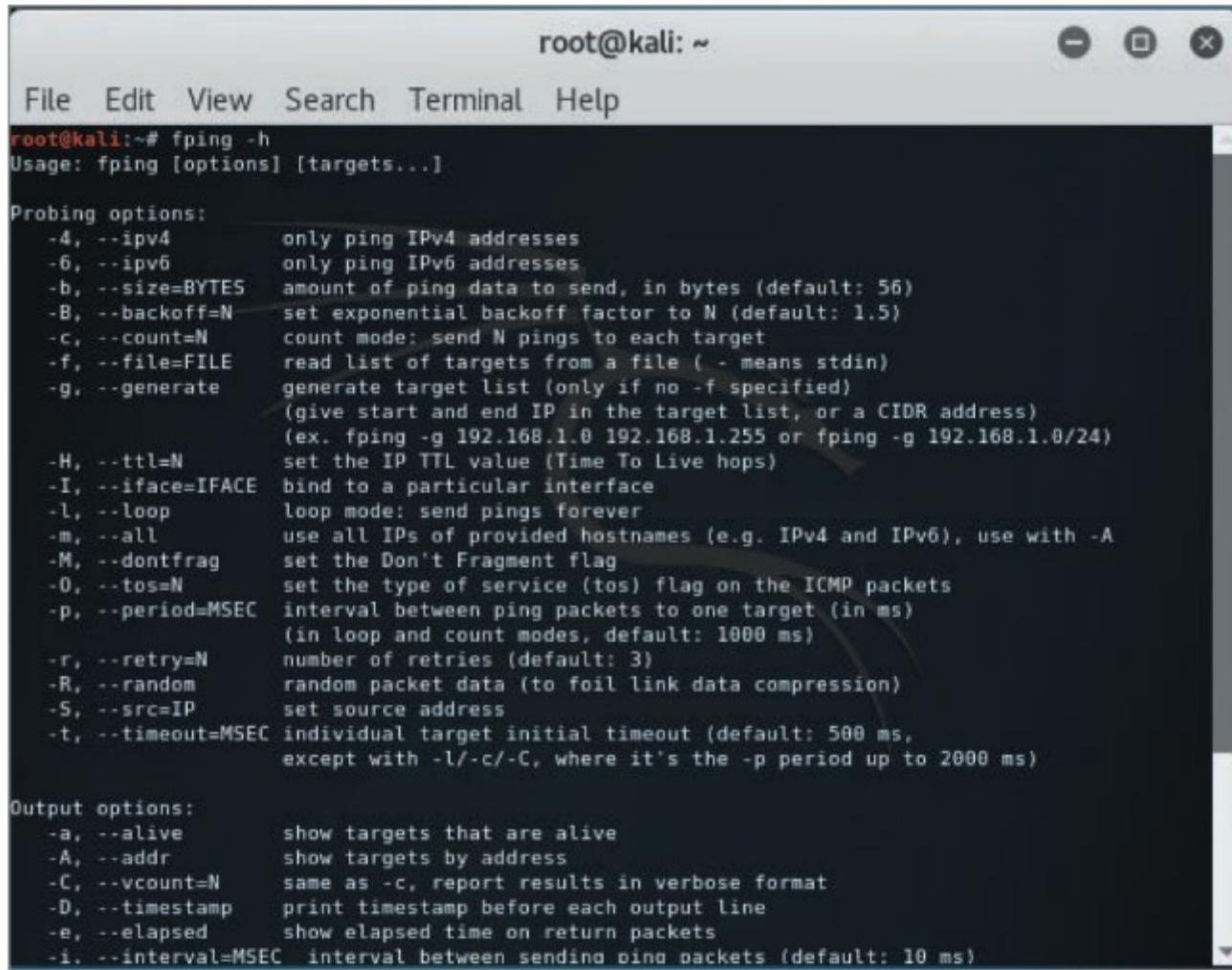
# Conducting Ping Sweeps

- **Ping sweeps**
  - Identify which IP addresses belong to active hosts
    - Ping a range of IP addresses to see what type of response is returned
- Problems
  - Might shut down computers at the time of the sweep
    - Indicates that the IP address does not belong to a live host
  - Many network administrators configure nodes to not respond to an ICMP Echo Request (type 8) with an ICMP Echo Reply (type 0)
  - Firewalls may filter out ICMP traffic

# Fping (1 of 4)

- With the **Fping** tool, you can ping multiple IP addresses simultaneously
  - Included with Kali Linux
- Accepts a range of IP addresses
  - Entered at a command prompt
  - You can create a file containing multiple IP addresses
    - Use it as input for the `Fping` command
- Input file
  - Usually created with a shell-scripting language so that you don't need to type thousands of IP addresses needed for a ping sweep

# Fping (2 of 4)



The screenshot shows a terminal window titled "root@kali: ~". The window contains the usage information and parameter descriptions for the fping command. The text is as follows:

```
root@kali:~# fping -h
Usage: fping [options] [targets...]

Probing options:
  -4, --ipv4      only ping IPv4 addresses
  -6, --ipv6      only ping IPv6 addresses
  -b, --size=BYTES amount of ping data to send, in bytes (default: 56)
  -B, --backoff=N set exponential backoff factor to N (default: 1.5)
  -c, --count=N   count mode: send N pings to each target
  -f, --file=FILE  read list of targets from a file ( - means stdin)
  -g, --generate   generate target list (only if no -f specified)
                  (give start and end IP in the target list, or a CIDR address)
                  (ex. fping -g 192.168.1.0 192.168.1.255 or fping -g 192.168.1.0/24)
  -H, --ttl=N     set the IP TTL value (Time To Live hops)
  -I, --iface=IFACE bind to a particular interface
  -l, --loop       loop mode: send pings forever
  -m, --all        use all IPs of provided hostnames (e.g. IPv4 and IPv6), use with -A
  -M, --dontfrag   set the Don't Fragment flag
  -O, --tos=N      set the type of service (tos) flag on the ICMP packets
  -p, --period=MSEC interval between ping packets to one target (in ms)
                  (in loop and count modes, default: 1000 ms)
  -r, --retry=N    number of retries (default: 3)
  -R, --random     random packet data (to foil link data compression)
  -S, --src=IP     set source address
  -t, --timeout=MSEC individual target initial timeout (default: 500 ms,
                  except with -l/-c/-G, where it's the -p period up to 2000 ms)

Output options:
  -a, --alive      show targets that are alive
  -A, --addr       show targets by address
  -C, --vcount=N   same as -c, report results in verbose format
  -D, --timestamp  print timestamp before each output line
  -e, --elapsed    show elapsed time on return packets
  -i, --interval=MSEC interval between sending ping packets (default: 10 ms)
```

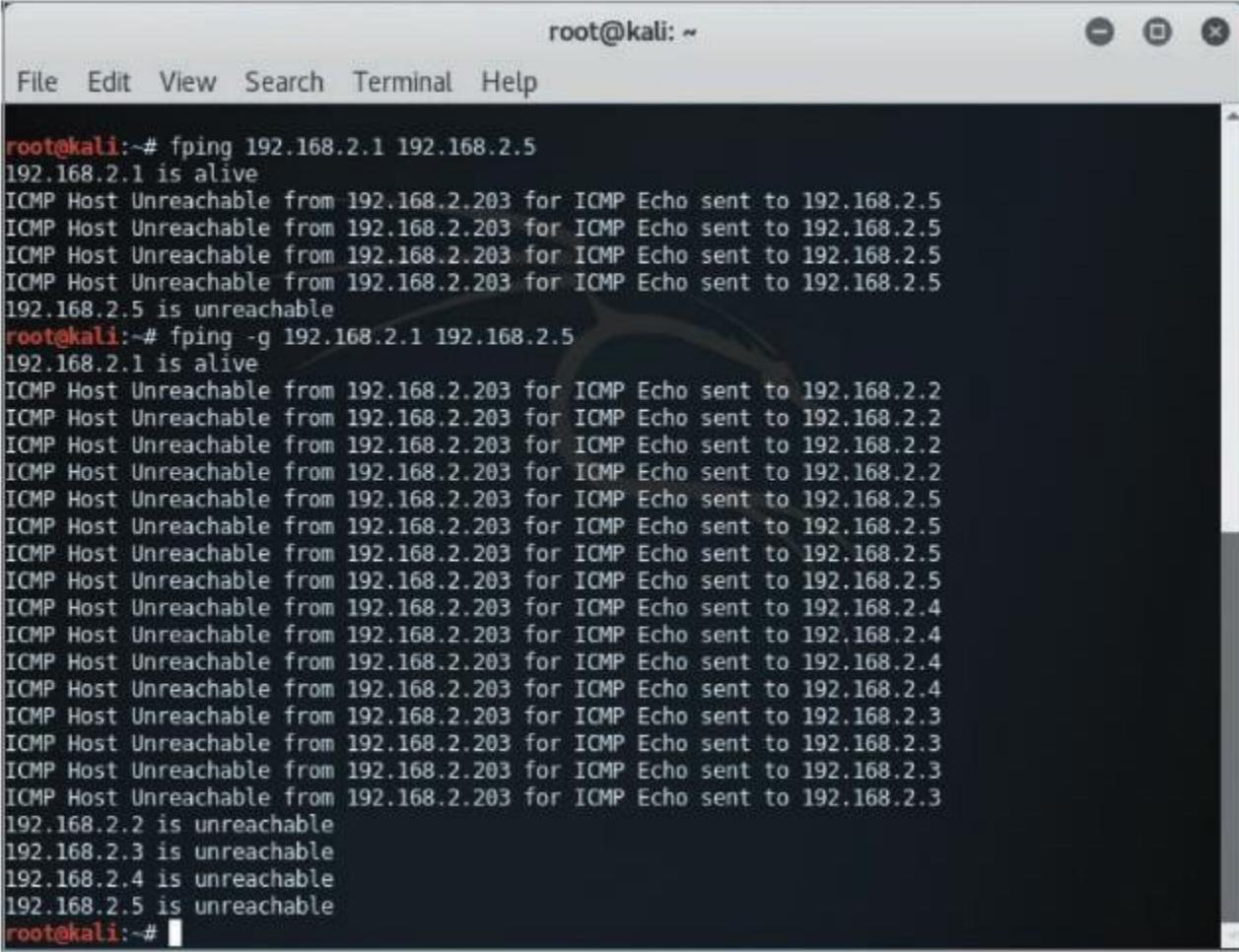
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Figure 5-6 Fping parameters

# Fping (3 of 4)

- To ping sweep a range of IP addresses without using an input file, use the command:
  - `fping -g BeginningIPAddress EndingIPAddress`
  - The `-g` parameter is used when no input file is available
  - Example:
    - `fping -g 192.168.185.1 192.168.185.5` command returns the results shown on Figure 5-6

# Fping (4 of 4)



A terminal window titled "root@kali: ~" showing the output of two fping commands. The first command, "fping 192.168.2.1 192.168.2.5", shows that 192.168.2.1 is alive and 192.168.2.5 is unreachable. The second command, "fping -g 192.168.2.1 192.168.2.5", shows that 192.168.2.1 is alive and many hosts from 192.168.2.2 to 192.168.2.5 are unreachable.

```
root@kali:~# fping 192.168.2.1 192.168.2.5
192.168.2.1 is alive
ICMP Host Unreachable from 192.168.2.203 for ICMP Echo sent to 192.168.2.5
ICMP Host Unreachable from 192.168.2.203 for ICMP Echo sent to 192.168.2.5
ICMP Host Unreachable from 192.168.2.203 for ICMP Echo sent to 192.168.2.5
ICMP Host Unreachable from 192.168.2.203 for ICMP Echo sent to 192.168.2.5
192.168.2.5 is unreachable
root@kali:~# fping -g 192.168.2.1 192.168.2.5
192.168.2.1 is alive
ICMP Host Unreachable from 192.168.2.203 for ICMP Echo sent to 192.168.2.2
ICMP Host Unreachable from 192.168.2.203 for ICMP Echo sent to 192.168.2.2
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192.168.2.2 is unreachable
192.168.2.3 is unreachable
192.168.2.4 is unreachable
192.168.2.5 is unreachable
root@kali:~#
```

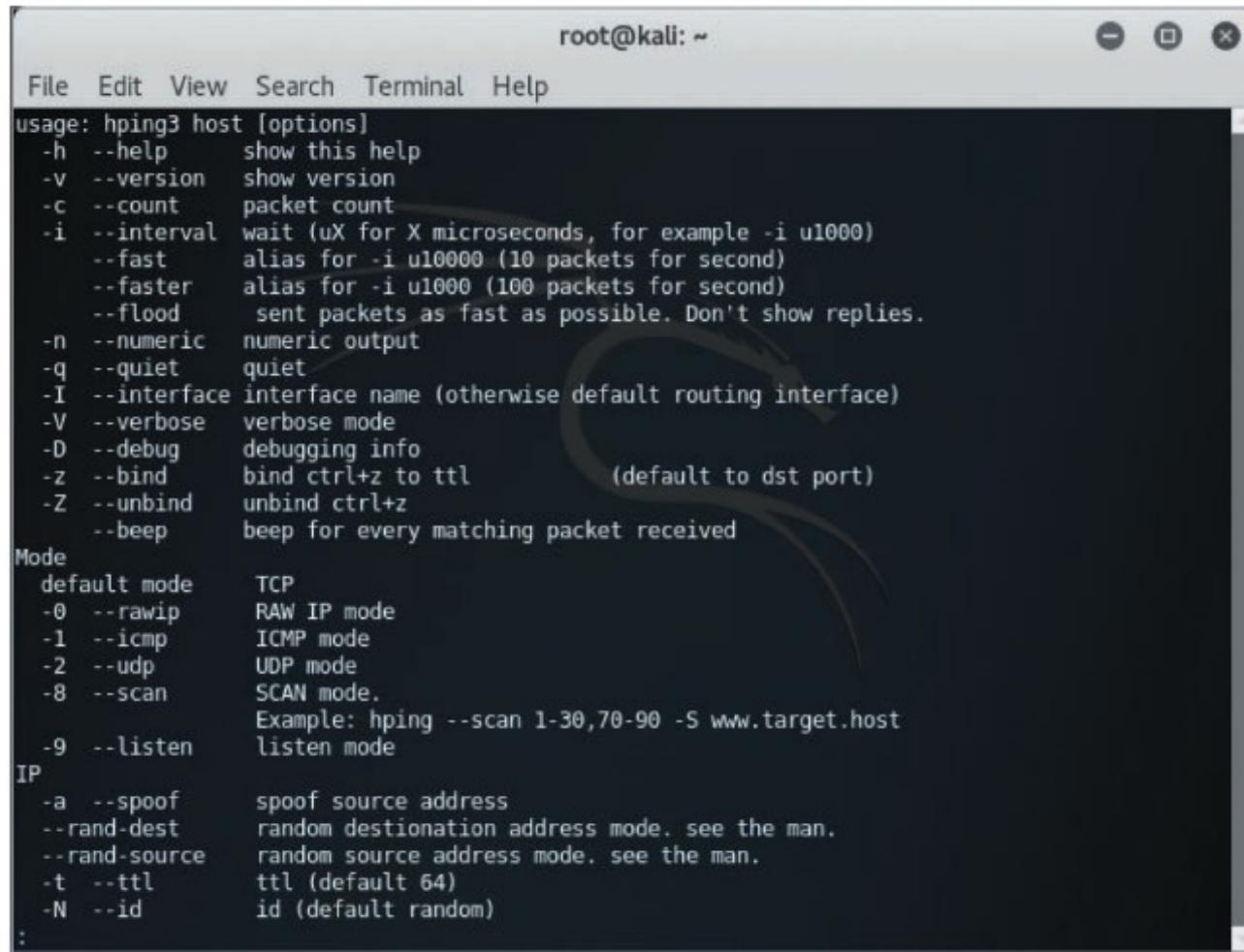
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Figure 5-7 Results of fping commands

# Hping3 (1 of 4)

- Used to:
  - Perform ping sweeps
  - Bypass filtering devices
    - Allows users to inject modified IP packets
- Advanced port-scanning tool
  - All security testers must be familiar with this tool
  - Offers a variety of features

# Hping3 (2 of 4)

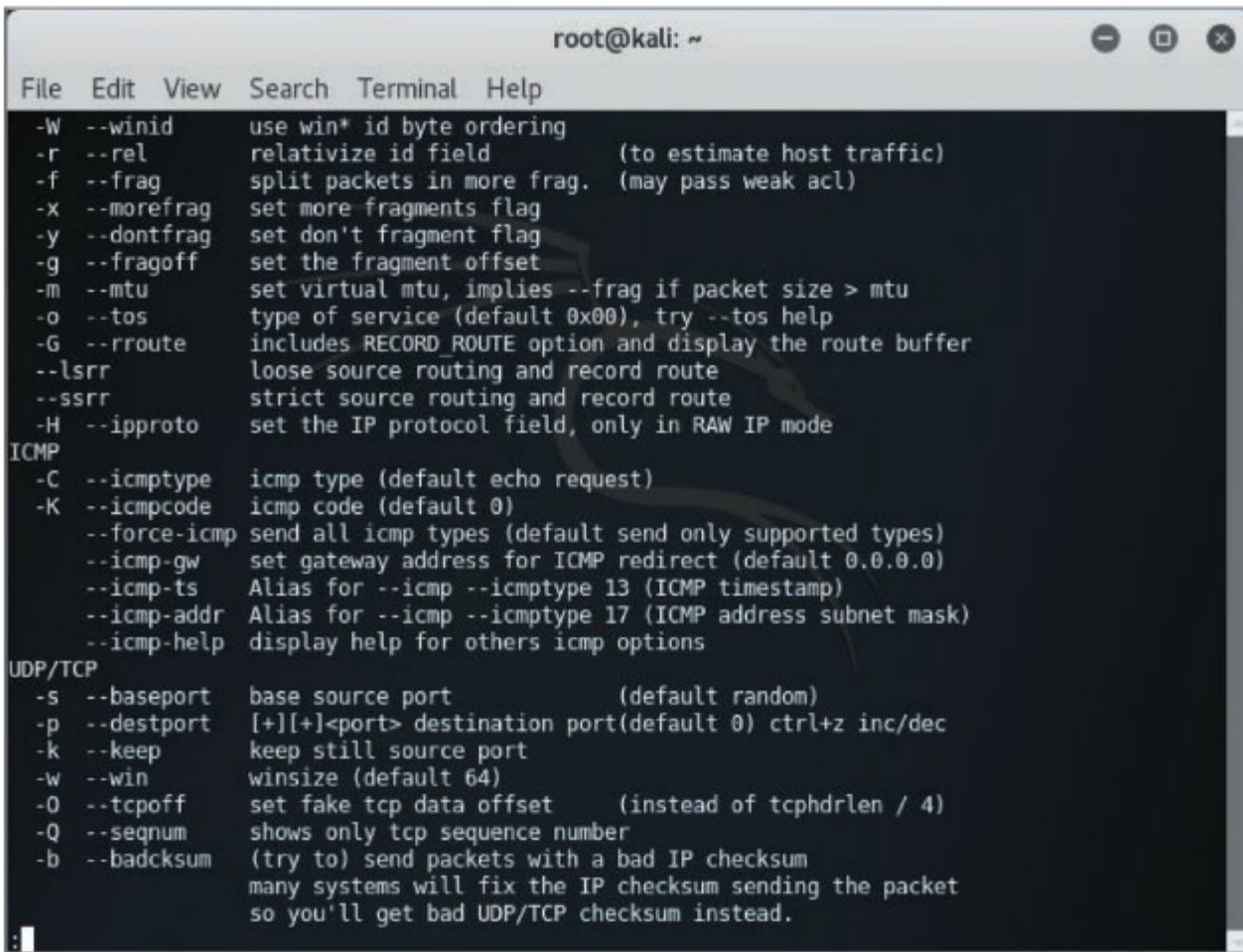


The screenshot shows a terminal window titled "root@kali: ~" displaying the help page for the hping3 command. The help text is organized into sections: "usage:", "Mode", "IP", and "Source: GNU General Public License".

```
root@kali: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
usage: hping3 host [options]
-h --help      show this help
-v --version   show version
-c --count     packet count
-i --interval wait (uX for X microseconds, for example -i u1000)
               --fast      alias for -i u10000 (10 packets for second)
               --faster    alias for -i u1000 (100 packets for second)
               --flood     sent packets as fast as possible. Don't show replies.
-n --numeric   numeric output
-q --quiet     quiet
-I --interface interface name (otherwise default routing interface)
-V --verbose   verbose mode
-D --debug    debugging info
-z --bind     bind ctrl+z to ttl          (default to dst port)
-Z --unbind   unbind ctrl+z
--beep       beep for every matching packet received
Mode
default mode  TCP
-0 --rawip    RAW IP mode
-1 --icmp    ICMP mode
-2 --udp     UDP mode
-8 --scan    SCAN mode.
             Example: hping --scan 1-30,70-90 -S www.target.host
-9 --listen   listen mode
IP
-a --spoof    spoof source address
--rand-dest   random destination address mode. see the man.
--rand-source random source address mode. see the man.
-t --ttl     ttl (default 64)
-N --id      id (default random)
:
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```

Figure 5-8 Hping3 help page 1

# Hping3 (3 of 4)



The screenshot shows a terminal window titled "root@kali: ~" displaying the help page for Hping3. The window has a standard Linux terminal interface with a dark background and light-colored text. The help page is organized into sections: "File Edit View Search Terminal Help", "IP", "ICMP", "UDP/TCP", and "Misc". Each section lists command-line options and their descriptions. For example, under the "IP" section, there are options like -W, -r, -f, -x, -y, -g, -m, -o, -G, --lsrr, --ssrr, -H, and --ipproto. Under "ICMP", there are options like -C, -K, --force-icmp, --icmp-gw, --icmp-ts, --icmp-addr, and --icmp-help. Under "UDP/TCP", there are options like -s, -p, -k, -w, -O, -Q, -b, and --badcksum. The "Misc" section contains a single option, --winid.

```
root@kali: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
IP
-W --winid      use win* id byte ordering
-r --rel        relativize id field      (to estimate host traffic)
-f --frag       split packets in more frag. (may pass weak acl)
-x --morefrag   set more fragments flag
-y --dontfrag   set don't fragment flag
-g --fragoff    set the fragment offset
-m --mtu        set virtual mtu, implies --frag if packet size > mtu
-o --tos        type of service (default 0x00), try --tos help
-G --rroute     includes RECORD_ROUTE option and display the route buffer
--lsrr         loose source routing and record route
--ssrr         strict source routing and record route
-H --ipproto   set the IP protocol field, only in RAW IP mode
ICMP
-C --icmptype  icmp type (default echo request)
-K --icmpcode   icmp code (default 0)
--force-icmp   send all icmp types (default send only supported types)
--icmp-gw     set gateway address for ICMP redirect (default 0.0.0.0)
--icmp-ts     Alias for --icmp --icmptype 13 (ICMP timestamp)
--icmp-addr   Alias for --icmp --icmptype 17 (ICMP address subnet mask)
--icmp-help    display help for others icmp options
UDP/TCP
-s --baseport   base source port      (default random)
-p --destport   [+] [+<port> destination port (default 0) ctrl+z inc/dec
-k --keep       keep still source port
-w --win        winsize (default 64)
-O --tcpoff     set fake tcp data offset  (instead of tcphdrlen / 4)
-Q --seqnum     shows only tcp sequence number
-b --badcksum   (try to) send packets with a bad IP checksum
               many systems will fix the IP checksum sending the packet
               so you'll get bad UDP/TCP checksum instead.
Misc
```

Figure 5-9 Hping3 help page 2

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# Hping3 (4 of 4)

```
root@kali: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
-b --badcksum (try to) send packets with a bad IP checksum
many systems will fix the IP checksum sending the packet
so you'll get bad UDP/TCP checksum instead.
-M --setseq set TCP sequence number
-L --setack set TCP ack
-F --fin set FIN flag
-S --syn set SYN flag
-R --rst set RST flag
-P --push set PUSH flag
-A --ack set ACK flag
-U --urg set URG flag
-X --xmas set X unused flag (0x40)
-Y --ymas set Y unused flag (0x80)
--tcpexitcode use last tcp->th flags as exit code
--tcp-mss enable the TCP MSS option with the given value
--tcp-timestamp enable the TCP timestamp option to guess the HZ/uptime
Common
-d --data data size          (default is 0)
-E --file data from file
-e --sign add 'signature'
-j --dump dump packets in hex
-J --print dump printable characters
-B --safe enable 'safe' protocol
-u --end tell you when --file reached EOF and prevent rewind
-T --traceroute traceroute mode      (implies --bind and --ttl 1)
--tr-stop Exit when receive the first not ICMP in traceroute mode
--tr-keep-ttl Keep the source TTL fixed, useful to monitor just one hop
--tr-no-rtt Don't calculate/show RTT information in traceroute mode
ARS packet description (new, unstable)
--apd-send Send the packet described with APD (see docs/APD.txt)
(END)
```

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Figure 5-10 Hping3 help page 3

# Crafting IP Packets

- Packets contain:
  - Source IP addresses
  - Destination IP addresses
  - Information about flags
- Helpful tools for crafting IP packets
  - Hping3
  - Fping

# Understanding Scripting

- Some tools might need to be modified to better suit your needs as a security tester
- Customized scripts
  - Automates tasks
  - Time-saving
  - Requires basic programming skills

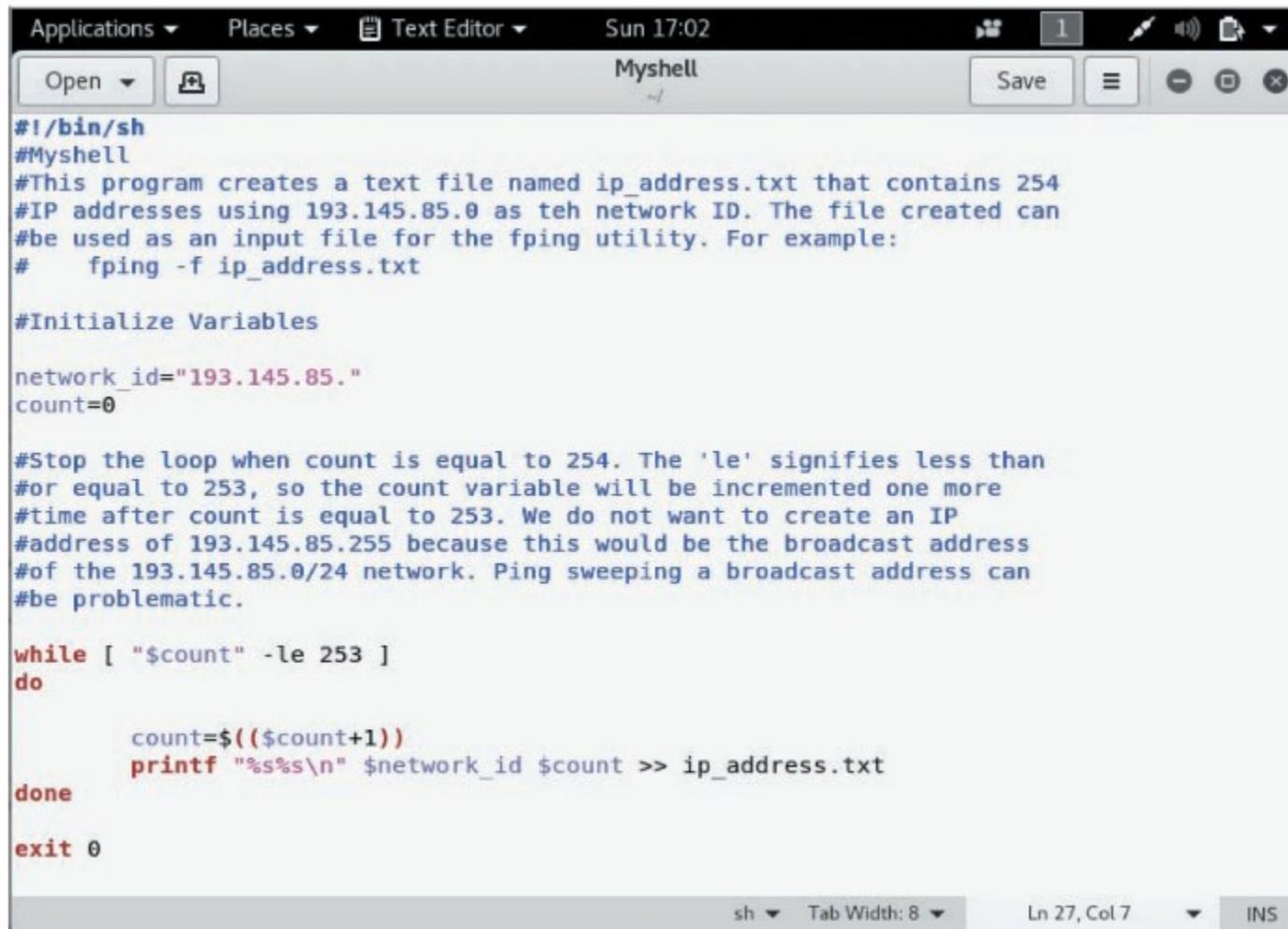
# Scripting Basics (1 of 2)

- Similar to DOS batch programming
- A script or batch file
  - Text file that contains multiple commands that are usually entered manually at the command prompt
- If you find that you are using repetitive commands to perform the same task, that task is a good candidate for scripting
- Best way to learn how to create a script
  - Create a script by doing it

# Summary of Vim Commands

vim command	Description
A	Appends text after the insertion point
I	Inserts text before the insertion point
Delete key	Overwrites the last character when in Insert mode
X	Deletes the current character
Dd	Deletes the current line
Dw	Deletes the current word
P	Replaces the previously deleted text
Wq	Writes changes and quits the edit session
ZZ	Exits vi and saves all changes

# Scripting Basics (2 of 2)



The screenshot shows a Kali Linux desktop environment with a text editor window titled "Myshell". The window contains a shell script with the following content:

```
#!/bin/sh
#Myshell
#This program creates a text file named ip_address.txt that contains 254
#IP addresses using 193.145.85.0 as the network ID. The file created can
#be used as an input file for the fping utility. For example:
#   fping -f ip_address.txt

#Initialize Variables

network_id="193.145.85."
count=0

#Stop the loop when count is equal to 254. The 'le' signifies less than
#or equal to 253, so the count variable will be incremented one more
#time after count is equal to 253. We do not want to create an IP
#address of 193.145.85.255 because this would be the broadcast address
#of the 193.145.85.0/24 network. Ping sweeping a broadcast address can
#be problematic.

while [ "$count" -le 253 ]
do

    count=$((count+1))
    printf "%s%s\n" $network_id $count >> ip_address.txt
done

exit 0
```

The status bar at the bottom of the editor shows "sh", "Tab Width: 8", "Ln 27, Col 7", and "INS".

Source: Kali Linux gedit

Figure 5-11 Shell script with comments

# Summary

- Now that the lesson has ended, you should be able to:
  - Describe port scanning and types of port scans
  - Describe port-scanning tools
  - Explain what ping sweeps are used for
  - Explain how shell scripting is used to automate security tasks