

# TryHackMe

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# 1 Introduction

- 1.1 What networking constructs are used to direct traffic to the right application on a server ?

Ports

- 1.2 How many of these are available on any network-enabled computer ?

65535

- 1.3 [Research] How many of these are considered "well-known" ? (These are the "standard" numbers mentioned in the task)

1024

# 2 Nmap Switches

- 2.1 What is the first switch listed in the help menu for a 'Syn Scan' (more on this later!) ?

-sS

- 2.2 Which switch would you use for a "UDP scan" ?

-sU

- 2.3 If you wanted to detect which operating system the target is running on, which switch would you use ?

-O

- 2.4 Nmap provides a switch to detect the version of the services running on the target. What is this switch ?

-sV

- 2.5 The default output provided by nmap often does not provide enough information for a pentester. How would you increase the verbosity ?

-v

2.6 Verbosity level one is good, but verbosity level two is better ! How would you set the verbosity level to two ?

-vv

2.7 What switch would you use to save the nmap results in three major formats ?

-oA

2.8 What switch would you use to save the nmap results in a "normal" format ?

-oN

2.9 A very useful output format : how would you save results in a "grepable" format ?

-oG

2.10 How would you activate this setting ?

-A

2.11 How would you set the timing template to level 5 ?

-T5

2.12 How would you tell nmap to only scan port 80 ?

-p 80

2.13 How would you tell nmap to scan ports 1000-1500 ?

-p 1000-1500

2.14 How would you tell nmap to scan all ports ?

-p-

2.15 How would you activate a script from the nmap scripting library (lots more on this later ! ) ?

-script

**2.16** How would you activate all of the scripts in the "vuln" category?

`-script=vuln`

### **3 [Scan Types] TCP Connect Scans**

**3.1** Which RFC defines the appropriate behaviour for the TCP protocol?

RFC 793

**3.2** If a port is closed, which flag should the server send back to indicate this?

RST

### **4 [Scan Types] SYN Scans**

**4.1** There are two other names for a SYN scan, what are they?

Half-Open, Stealth

**4.2** Can Nmap use a SYN scan without Sudo permissions (Y/N)?

N

### **5 [Scan Types] UDP Scans**

**5.1** If a UDP port doesn't respond to an Nmap scan, what will it be marked as?

`open|filtered`

**5.2** When a UDP port is closed, by convention the target should send back a "port unreachable" message. Which protocol would it use to do so?

ICMP

## 6 [Scan Types] NULL, FIN and Xmas

### 6.1 Which of the three shown scan types uses the URG flag?

xmas

### 6.2 Why are NULL, FIN and Xmas scans generally used?

Firewall Evasion

### 6.3 Which common OS may respond to a NULL, FIN or Xmas scan with a RST for every port?

Microsoft Windows

## 7 [Scan Types] ICMP Network Scanning

### 7.1 How would you perform a ping sweep on the 172.16.x.x network (Netmask : 255.255.0.0) using Nmap? (CIDR notation)

`nmap -sn 172.16.0.0/16`

## 8 [NSE Scripts] Overview

### 8.1 What language are NSE scripts written in?

Lua

### 8.2 Which category of scripts would be a very bad idea to run in a production environment?

intrusive

## 9 [NSE Scripts] Working with the NSE

### 9.1 What optional argument can the ftp-anon.nse script take?

maxlist

## 10 [NSE Scripts] Searching for Scripts

10.1 What is the filename of the script which determines the underlying OS of the SMB server ?

smb-os-discovery.nse

10.2 Read through this script. What does it depend on ?

smb-brute

## 11 Firewall Evasion

11.1 Which simple (and frequently relied upon) protocol is often blocked, requiring the use of the -Pn switch ?

ICMP

11.2 [Research] Which Nmap switch allows you to append an arbitrary length of random data to the end of packets ?

-data-length

## 12 Practical

12.1 Does the target (MACHINE\_IP) respond to ICMP (ping) requests (Y/N) ?

N

12.2 Perform an Xmas scan on the first 999 ports of the target – how many ports are shown to be open or filtered ?

999

12.3 Perform a TCP SYN scan on the first 5000 ports of the target – how many ports are shown to be open ?

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12.4 Deploy the ftp-anon script against the box. Can Nmap login successfully to the FTP server on port 21 ? (Y/N)

Y