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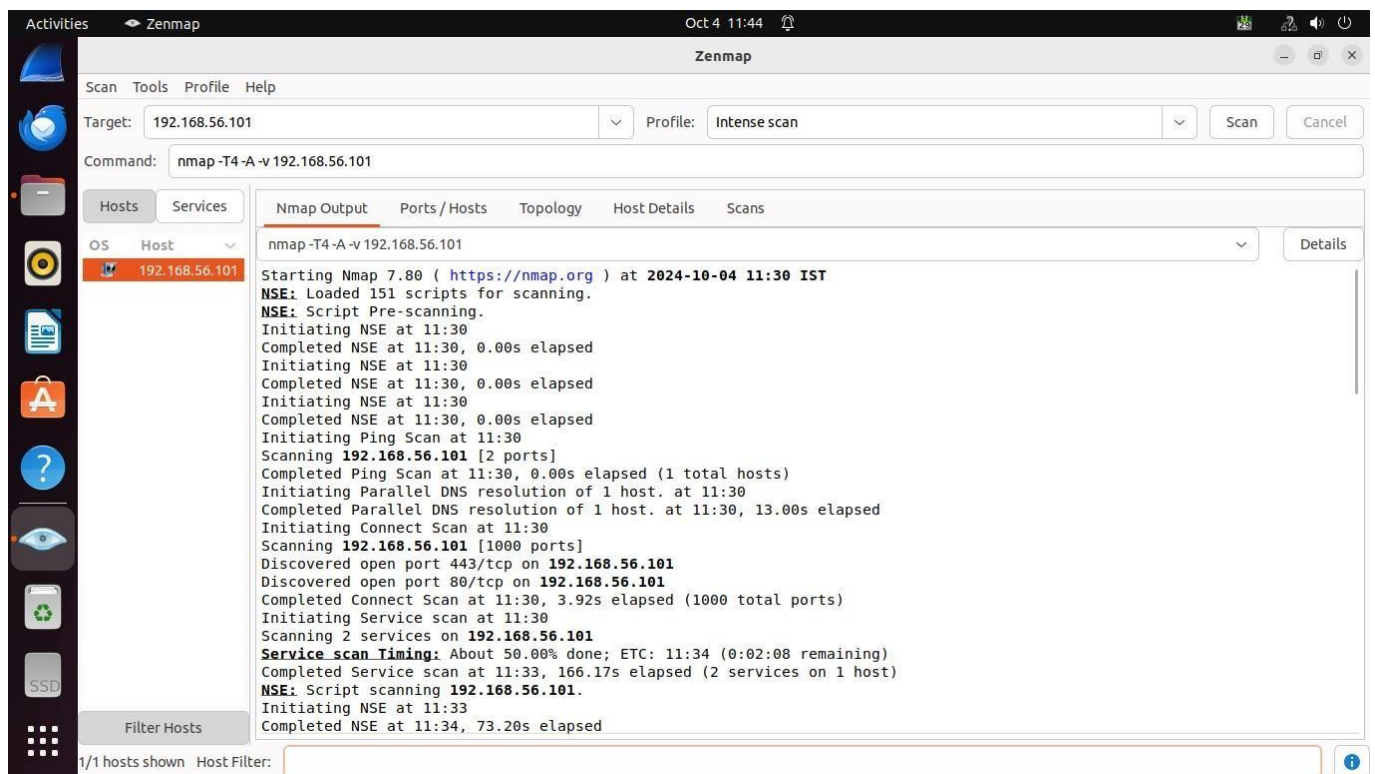
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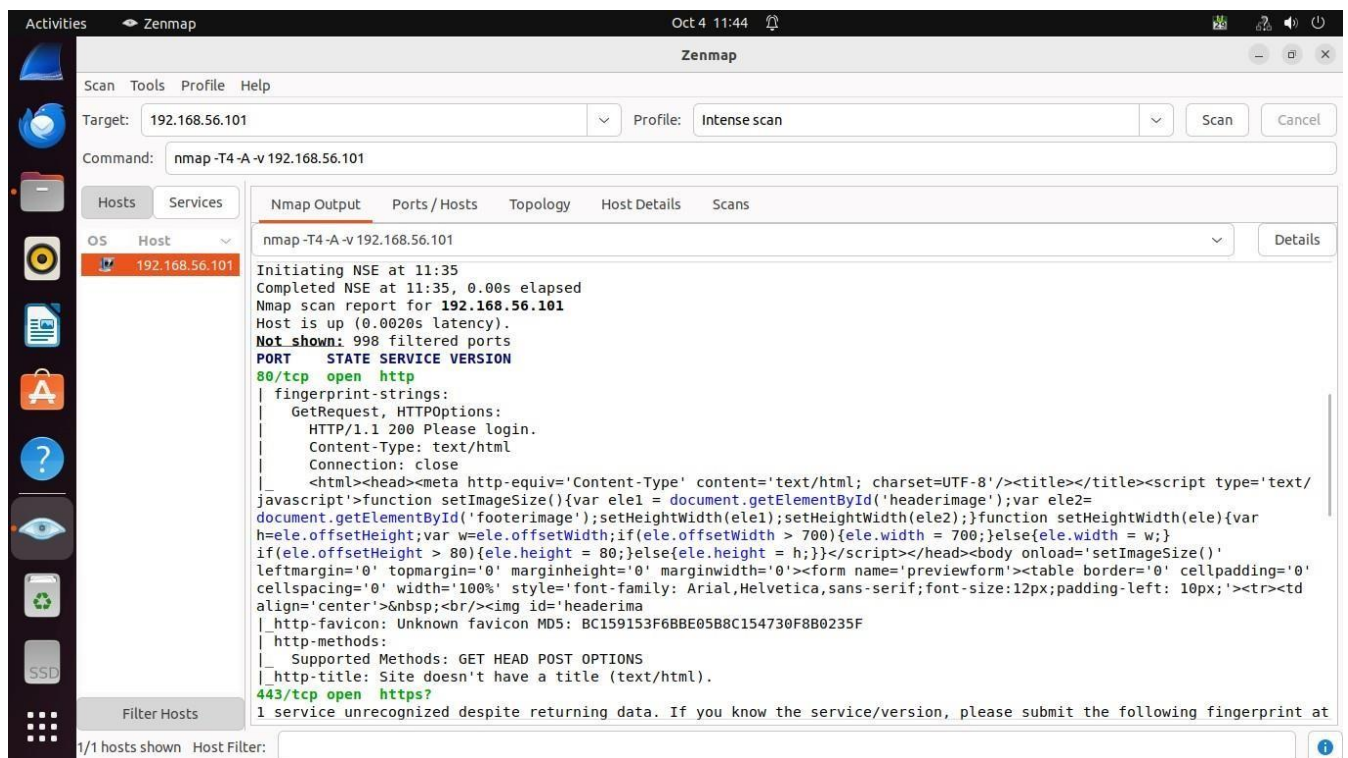
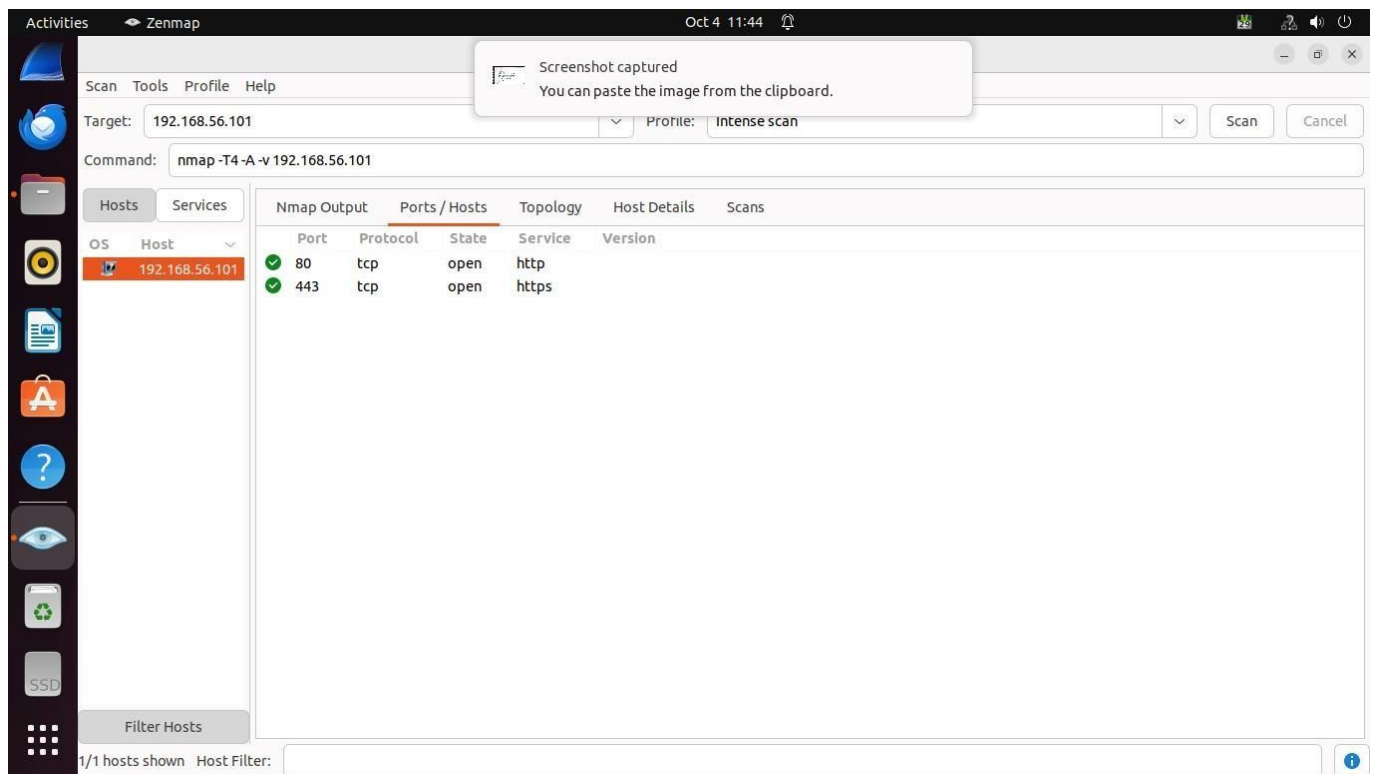
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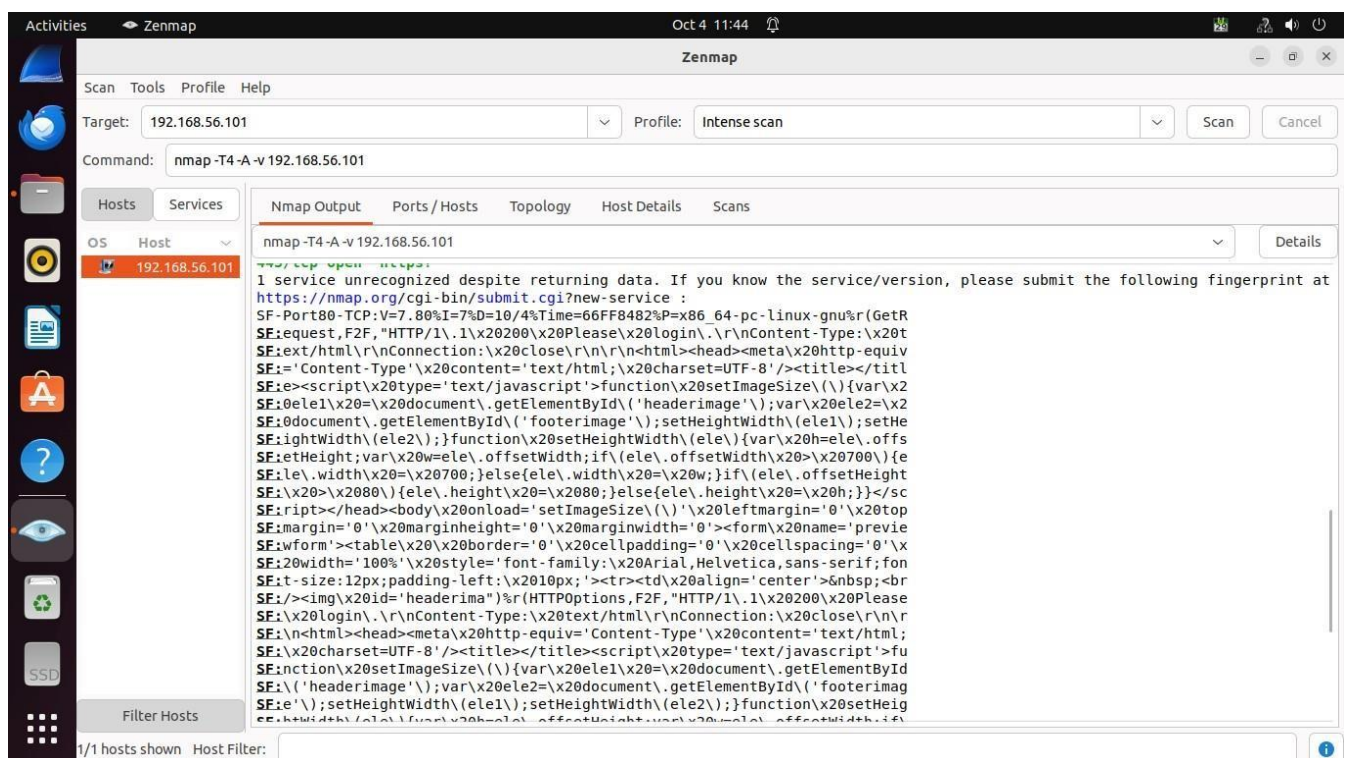
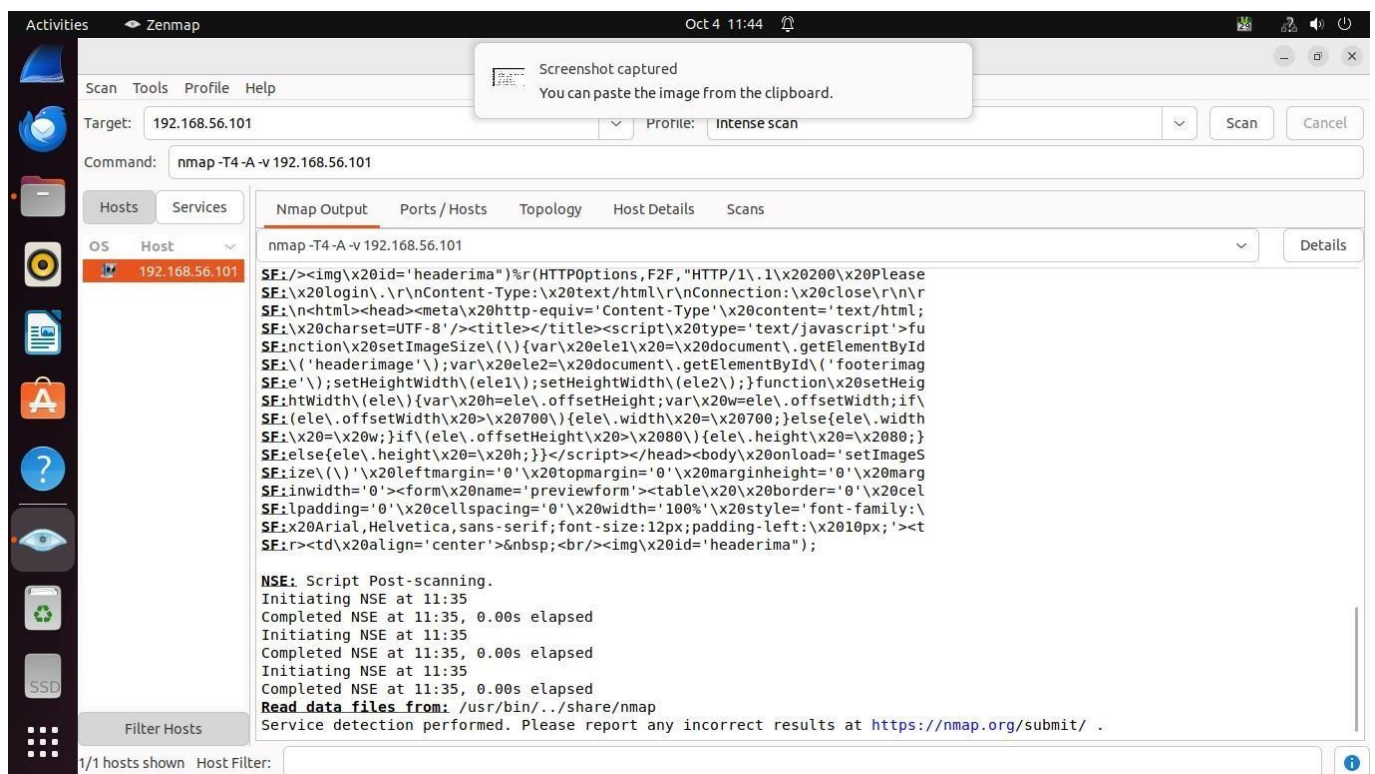
EXPERIMENT NO.4

AIM: Perform network discovery using discovery tools (eg. Nmap, mrtg)

Nmap (Network Mapper) is a security scanner originally written by Gordon Lyon (also known by his pseudonym Fyodor Vaskovich) used to discover hosts and services on a computer network, thus creating a "map" of the network. To accomplish its goal, Nmap sends specially crafted packets to the target host and then analyzes the responses. Unlike many simple port scanners that just send packets at some predefined constant rate, Nmap accounts for the network conditions (latency fluctuations, network congestion, the target interference with the scan) during the run. Also, owing to the large and active user community providing feedback and contributing to its features, Nmap has been able to extend its discovery capabilities beyond simply figuring out whether a host is up or down and which ports are open and closed; it can determine the operating system of the target, names and versions of the listening services, estimated uptime, type of device, and presence of a firewall.







CONCLUSION: We have explored various methods for scanning ports, with Nmap standing out as a robust network scanning tool developed by Gordon Lyon. It works by sending specialized packets and interpreting the responses to map network structures. Nmap's strength lies in its ability to adjust to varying network conditions, supported by an active community. In addition to determining host availability and port status, it can also detect

operating systems, service versions, uptime, device types, and firewalls, making it an all-encompassing solution for network discovery and security evaluations.