Directory Fuzzing

Now that we understand the concept of Web Fuzzing and know our wordlist, we should be ready to start using `ffuf` to find website directories.

Ffuf

`Ffuf` is pre-installed on your PwnBox instance. If you want to use it on your own machine, you can either use "`apt install ffuf -y`" or download it and use it from its GitHub Repo. As a new user of this tool, we will start by issuing the `ffuf -h` command to see how the tools can be used:

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```
MisaelMacias@htb[/htb]$ ffuf -h

HTTP OPTIONS:
  -H              Header `"Name: Value"`, separated by colon. Multiple -H flags are accepted.
  -X              HTTP method to use (default: GET)
  -b              Cookie data `"NAME1=VALUE1; NAME2=VALUE2"` for copy as curl functionality.
  -d              POST data
  -recursion      Scan recursively. Only FUZZ keyword is supported, and URL (-u) has to end in it. (default: false)
  -recursion-depth Maximum recursion depth. (default: 0)
  -u              Target URL
...SNIP...

MATCHER OPTIONS:
  -mc             Match HTTP status codes, or "all" for everything. (default: 200,204,301,302,307,401,403)
  -ms             Match HTTP response size
...SNIP...

FILTER OPTIONS:
  -fc             Filter HTTP status codes from response. Comma separated list of codes and ranges
  -fs             Filter HTTP response size. Comma separated list of sizes and ranges
...SNIP...

INPUT OPTIONS:
...SNIP...
  -w              Wordlist file path and (optional) keyword separated by colon. eg. '/path/to/wordlist:KEYWORD'

OUTPUT OPTIONS:
  -o              Write output to file
...SNIP...

EXAMPLE USAGE:
  Fuzz file paths from wordlist.txt, match all responses but filter out those with content-size 42.
  Colored, verbose output.
    ffuf -w wordlist.txt -u https://example.org/FUZZ -mc all -fs 42 -c -v
...SNIP...
```

As we can see, the `help` output is quite large, so we only kept the options that may become relevant for us in this module.

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As we can see from the example above, the main two options are `-w` for wordlists and `-u` for the URL. We can assign a wordlist to a keyword to refer to it where we want to fuzz. For example, we can pick our wordlist and assign the keyword `FUZZ` to it by adding `:FUZZ` after it:

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```
MisaelMacias@htb[/htb]$ ffuf -w /opt/useful/seclists/Discovery/Web-Content/directory-list-2.3-small.txt:FUZZ
```

Next, as we want to be fuzzing for web directories, we can place the `FUZZ` keyword where the directory would be within our URL, with:

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```
MisaelMacias@htb[/htb]$ ffuf -w <SNIP> -u http://SERVER_IP:PORT/FUZZ
```

Now, let's start our target in the question below and run our final command on it:

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```
MisaelMacias@htb[/htb]$ ffuf -w /opt/useful/seclists/Discovery/Web-Content/directory-list-2.3-small.txt:FUZZ -u http:/

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 :: Method           : GET
 :: URL              : http://SERVER_IP:PORT/FUZZ
 :: Wordlist         : FUZZ: /opt/useful/seclists/Discovery/Web-Content/directory-list-2.3-small.txt
 :: Follow redirects : false
 :: Calibration      : false
 :: Timeout          : 10
 :: Threads          : 40
 :: Matcher          : Response status: 200,204,301,302,307,401,403
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<SNIP>
blog                    [Status: 301, Size: 326, Words: 20, Lines: 10]
:: Progress: [87651/87651] :: Job [1/1] :: 9739 req/sec :: Duration: [0:00:09] :: Errors: 0 ::
```

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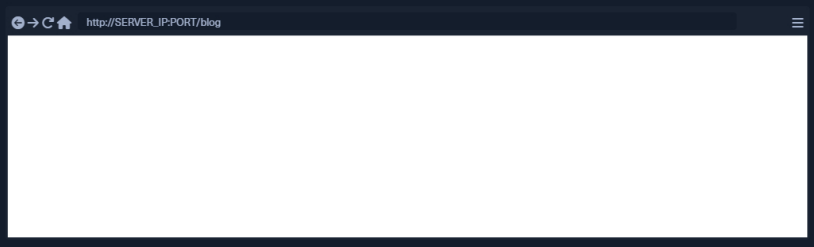
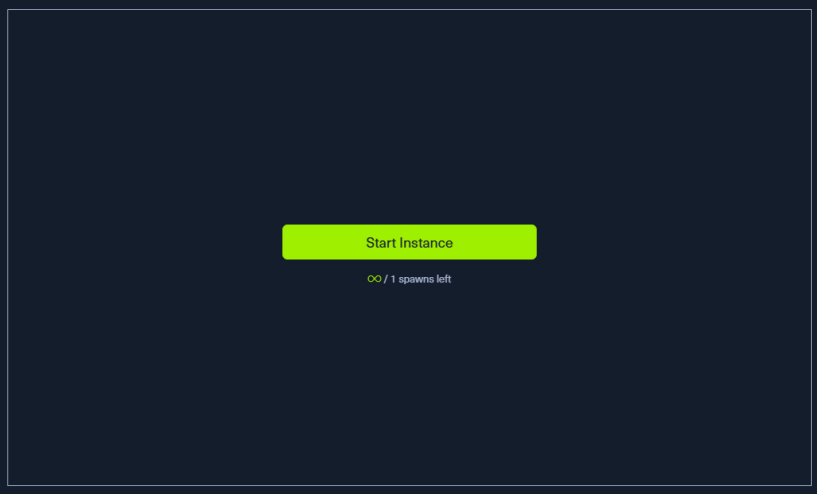
We see that `ffuf` tested for almost 90k URLs in less than 10 seconds. This speed may vary depending on your internet speed and ping if you used `ffuf` on your machine, but it should still be extremely fast.

We can even make it go faster if we are in a hurry by increasing the number of threads to 200, for example, with `-t 200`, but this is not recommended, especially when used on a remote site, as it may disrupt it, and cause a `Denial of Service`, or bring down your internet connection in severe cases. We do get a couple of hits, and we can visit one of them to verify that it exists:



We get an empty page, indicating that the directory does not have a dedicated page, but also shows that we do have access to it, as we do not get an HTTP code `404 Not Found` or `403 Access Denied`. In the next section, we will look for pages under this directory to see whether it is really empty or has hidden files and pages.



Waiting to start...