# **Terna Engineering College**

### **Computer Engineering Department**

Class: TE Sem.: VI

**Course: System Security Lab** 

### **PART A**

(PART A : TO BE REFFERED BY STUDENTS)

## **Experiment No.7**

**A.1 Aim:** Download and install nmap. Use it with different options to scan open ports, perform OSfingerprinting, do a ping scan, tcp port scan, udp port scan, xmas scan etc.

### **A.2 Prerequisite:**

1. Basic Knowledge of Ports, TCP, UDP, Ping

#### A.3 Outcome:

After successful completion of this experiment students will be able to

Install and use nmap and use it for gathering detailed network and remote host information.

#### A.4 Theory:

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.

#### **Nmap features include:**

- Host Discovery Identifying hosts on a network. For example, listing the hosts which respond to pings or have a particular port open.
- Port Scanning Enumerating the open ports on one or more target hosts.
- Version Detection Interrogating listening network services listening on remote devices to determine the application name and version number.
- OS Detection –Remotely determining the operating system and some hardware characteristics of network devices.

#### **Basic commands working in Nmap:**

- For target specifications: nmap<target's URL or IP with spaces between them>
- For OS detection: nmap -O <target-host's URL or IP>
- For version detection: nmap -sV<target-host's URL or IP>

SYN scan is the default and most popular scan option for good reasons. It can be performed quickly, scanning thousands of ports per second on a fast network not hampered by restrictive firewalls. It is also relatively unobtrusive and stealthy since it never completes TCP connections.

#### A5.Procedure:

#### **Installation of Nmap:**

\$ sudo apt-get install nmap

#### **Commands:**

• nmap -sP<10.0.0.0/24>

Ping scans the network, listing machines that respond to ping.

• FIN scan (-sF)

Sets just the TCP FIN bit.

• -sV (Version detection).

Enables version detection, as discussed above. Alternatively, can use -A, which enables version detection among other things.

• -sO (IP protocol scan).

IP protocol scan allows you to determine which IP protocols (TCP, ICMP, IGMP, etc.)

are

supported by target machines. This isn't technically a port scan, since it cycles through IP protocol numbers rather than TCP or UDP port numbers.

### • -O (Enable OS detection).

Enables OS detection, as discussed above. Alternatively, you can use -A to enable OS detection along with other things.

### • -p port ranges (Only scan specified ports).

This option specifies which ports you want to scan and overrides the default. Individual port numbers are OK, as are ranges separated by a hyphen (e.g. 1-1023). The beginning and/or end values of a range may be omitted, causing Nmap to use 1 and 65535, respectively.

• --top-ports <integer of 1 or greater>

Scans the N highest-ratio ports found in nmap-services file.

#### • nmap –iflist

host interface and route information with nmap by using ——iflist option.

## **PART B**

### (PART B : TO BE COMPLETED BY STUDENTS)

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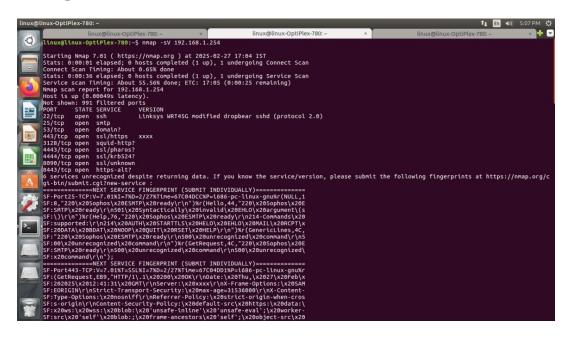
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## **B.1** Output

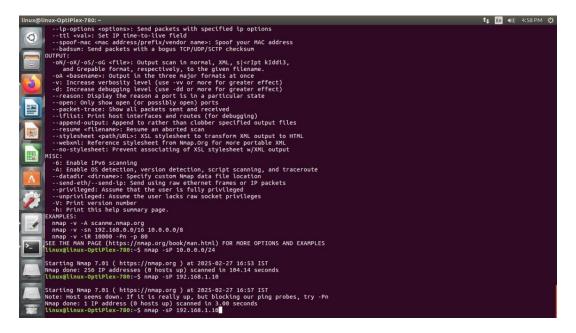
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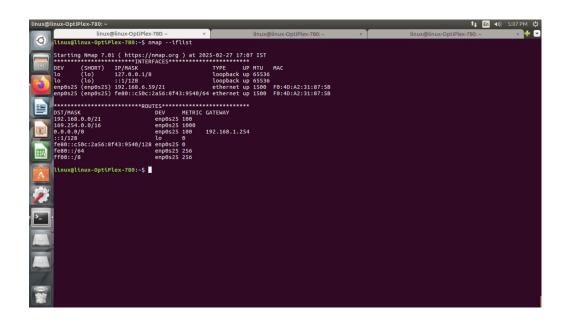
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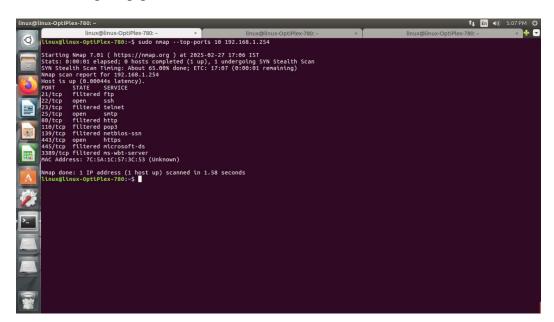
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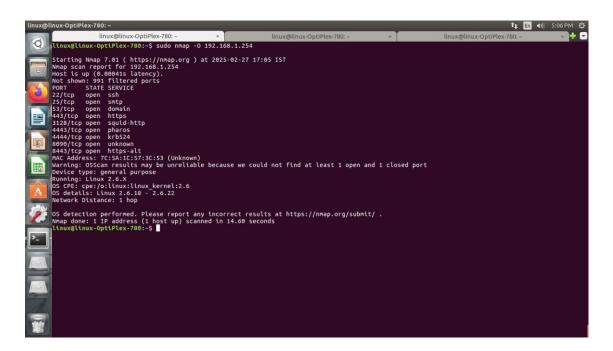
#### 4)nmap --iflist



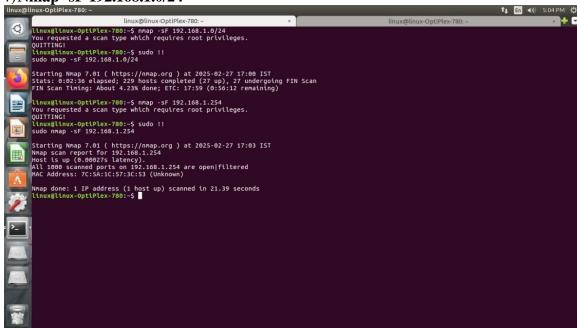
#### 5) sudo nmap -top-ports 10 192.168.1.254



### 6) sudo nmap -o 192.168.1.254



7) Nmap -sF 192.168.1.0/24



#### 8) Nmap - -sP 192.168.1.0/24

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9) sudo apt install nmap

- **B.2** Commands / tools used with syntax:
- 1) nmap -p 1-10 192.168.1.254
  - 2) nmap -sV 192.168.1.254
  - 3) nmap -sP 10.0.0.0/8
  - 4) nmap –iflist
  - 5) sudo nmap –top-ports 10 192.168.1.254
  - 6) sudo nmap -o 192.168.1.254
  - 7) Nmap -sF 192.168.1.0/24
  - 8) Nmap -sP 192.168.1.0/24
  - 9) sudo apt install nmap

## **B.3** Question of Curiosity:

What are the ethical considerations when using Nmap for scanning networks?

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2. What precautions should be taken to avoid detection when using Nmap for network scanning?

To avoid detection when using Nmap for network scanning, take these precautions:

Use Stealth Scanning – Opt for SYN scan (-sS) instead of full connect scan (-sT).

Slow Down Scans – Use --scan-delay and --max-rate to avoid triggering IDS/IPS.

Fragment Packets – Use -f to split packets and evade detection.

Use Decoys – Use -D <decoy1,decoy2> to mask your real IP.

Spoof Source IP – Use -S <spoofed IP> to disguise your real IP.

Scan Random Ports – Avoid predictable patterns with -r or --randomize-hosts.

Use Legitimate User-Agent – Modify headers in version scans (--script-args).

Encrypt Traffic – Use --data-length to obfuscate scan signatures.

Check Firewall Rules – Use -Pn to avoid being blocked by ping restrictions.

Run as Root/Admin – Some stealth features require elevated privileges.

4. ow does an Xmas scan work, and what does it detect?
An Xmas scan (-sX in Nmap) is a stealthy port scanning technique that sends TCP packets with the FIN, PSH, and URG flags set, making the packet appear "lit up" like a Christmas tree.
How It Works:
If a port is closed, the target responds with an RST (Reset) packet.
If a port is open or filtered, there is no response (as per RFC 793 behavior).

This scan works best on systems following the RFC-compliant TCP/IP stack, like older UNIX-based systems. However, Windows devices do not respond predictably to this scan, making it ineffective against them.

What It Detects:

Closed ports (which send an RST response).

Open or filtered ports (which remain silent).

Firewall rules that might block responses.

5. What is the difference between TCP and UDP port scanning?

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6. How can Nmap be used to detect firewalls and filtering devices?

Nmap can detect firewalls and filtering devices using various scanning techniques and options.

Methods to Detect Firewalls and Filtering Devices:
Ping Scan (-Pn)

If a host does not respond to a ping request, it may be behind a firewall that blocks ICMP.

TCP SYN Scan (-sS)

If all ports show as filtered (no response), a firewall is likely blocking traffic.

ACK Scan (-sA)

Used to detect stateless firewalls by sending TCP ACK packets. If all ports are filtered, a firewall is blocking the packets.

Xmas Scan (-sX) and FIN Scan (-sF)

Can identify firewalls that follow RFC-compliant behavior. If there's no response, the port is open/filtered. If an RST is received, the port is closed.

Firewalk Technique

Uses TTL (Time-To-Live) values to map out firewall rules by sending packets with incremented TTL values.

Version Detection (-sV)

Helps identify firewall brands and versions based on the responses received.

Aggressive Scan (-A)

Combines OS detection, version detection, script scanning, and traceroute to find firewall devices.

#### **B.4** Conclusion:

(Write appropriate conclusion.)

Nmap is a powerful network scanning tool used for security auditing and reconnaissance. It can identify open ports (-sS for TCP, -sU for UDP), helping detect vulnerable services. OS fingerprinting (-O) determines the target system's operating system, aiding in security assessments. Ping scans (-sn) detect live hosts without scanning ports, useful for network mapping. The Xmas scan (-sX) helps find open/filtered ports by analyzing packet responses. Firewall detection is possible using ACK scans (-sA) and analyzing response behavior. Service and version detection (-sV) helps in vulnerability assessment by identifying running services. These scans help in penetration testing, security analysis, and network troubleshooting.

