Task - 1 Report

Task overview:

In this task we are going to perform nmap port scan on the vulnerable machine and analyze the network traffic through the wireshark and next going through the open ports and services and its versions and their risks

Common services found:

FTP (File Transfer Protocol), 21:

The victim machine using the FTP version of **vsftpd 2.3.4** which is much lower than the present version **vsftpd 3.0.5.** This version of FTP is vulnerable to the backdoor of the system

And this leads to unauthenticated privilege access to the unknown uses, and the machine is enabled with anonymous login, which is a default misconfiguration.

SSH (secure shell), 22:

The victim machine using the SSH version of OpenSSH 4.7p1 which is much older which is released in 2007, it lacks modern cryptographic techniques to encrypt and decrypt and allowed to brute force, so there is no rate limiting

In some cases it can release the host keys and server software information , and algorithm using . So it posses the major threat to the server

SMTP ,25:

The open port 25/tcp running Postfix SMTP server on your target indicates an email service is exposed. This can introduce multiple security risks, like some vulnerable commands are enabled it leads to user enumeration and Relay abuse means that allow unauthenticated external users to send emails to other domains

Netbios-ssh (139,445):

The services running on TCP ports 139 and 445 are Samba (SMB) — a protocol used for file and printer sharing over a network. The versions you have detected are known to be highly vulnerable

- 1. Remote Code Execution: Samba 3.0.20 allows attackers to run arbitrary commands as root
- 2. Anonymous Access: Guest login can expose sensitive shared files without authentication
- 3. SMB Relay Attacks: Without SMB signing, attackers can intercept and relay credentials

Mysql (3306):

The services running on TCP port 3306 are MySQL a service used for running database server. The versions you have detected are known to be highly vulnerable.

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- 2. Remote Access: If exposed to the network without proper firewall or bind-address restriction, attackers can attempt brute-force or dictionary attacks

Bindshell, 1524:

A bind shell is a shell that listens on a specific port on the victim machine. An attacker can then connect to that port remotely to gain control.

Now, in the victim machine there is a Bindshell is present that means we already have the port number and ip address in this case we can get root access

- 1. Unauthenticated Remote Root Access: Anyone can connect and get a root shell without credentials.
- 2. No Logging or Monitoring: Bind shells often bypass system logging, making detection difficult.
- 3. Persistence for Attackers: Can be used to maintain backdoor access to the system.
- 4. Full System Compromise: Root access allows modification, data theft, or lateral movement.

POC (proof of completion):

Command: arp-scan –l

This command help us to find the live hosts in our network, it works using the ARP(address resolution protocol) sends the ARP packets when we get the reply packets, then the host is said to be alive.

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(kali@ kali)-[~]
$ sudo arp-scan -l
[sudo] password for kali:
Interface: eth0, type: EN10MB, MAC: 00:0c:29:f1:5a:d0, IPv4: 192.168.94.128
WARNING: Cannot open MAC/Vendor file ieee-oui.txt: Permission denied
WARNING: Cannot open MAC/Vendor file mac-vendor.txt: Permission denied
Starting arp-scan 1.10.0 with 256 hosts (https://github.com/royhills/arp-scan)
192.168.94.1 00:50:56:c0:00:01 (Unknown)
192.168.94.129 00:0c:29:39:6e:d3 (Unknown)
192.168.94.254 00:50:56:f0:f9:88 (Unknown)
3 packets received by filter, 0 packets dropped by kernel
Ending arp-scan 1.10.0: 256 hosts scanned in 3.382 seconds (75.69 hosts/sec). 3 responded
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Wireshark analysis:

.40010120 102.100.04.120	102.100.04.120	101	00 00000 - 1720 [01M] 004 0 MIN 1024 E0H 0 100 1400
.48593049 192.168.94.128	192.168.94.129	TCP	58 38989 - 5900 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=1024 Len=0 MSS=1460
.48614989 192.168.94.128	192.168.94.129	TCP	58 38989 → 80 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=1024 Len=0 MSS=1460
.48686453 192.168.94.129	192.168.94.128	TCP	60 445 → 38989 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=5840 Len=0 MSS=1460
.48686633 192.168.94.129	192.168.94.128	TCP	60 8888 → 38989 [RST, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=0 Len=0
.48686723 192.168.94.129	192.168.94.128	TCP	60 113 → 38989 [RST, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=0 Len=0
.48686803 192.168.94.129	192.168.94.128	TCP	60 53 - 38989 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=5840 Len=0 MSS=1460
.48686884 192.168.94.129	192.168.94.128	TCP	60 25 → 38989 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=5840 Len=0 MSS=1460
/87/1586 192 168 9/ 128	192 168 94 129	TCP	54 38989 . 445 [PST] Seg=1 Win=0 Len=0

We are doing the TCP SYN scan, so we know that it is a half handshake, means the TCP connection won't be completed, the sender sends TCP SYN, and receiver sends SYN ACK, next thats it from there there is no connection of no packets are forworded, but the sender gets to know that the victim machine is up, and open to connect on TCP.

Through out the TCP SYN scan, the same pattern will be followed for the every TCP protocol eg. Ssh, ftp, etc..