# Lab 3 – Service Discovery and Vulnerability Assessment

### 1. Service Discovery

#### Tools:

Nmap: A powerful network scanner used to discover hosts and services on a computer network by sending packets and analyzing the responses.

Masscan: Like Nmap but designed for speed and can scan the entire Internet in under 6 minutes.

# 2. OS and Application Fingerprinting

#### **Tools:**

Nmap: Beyond port scanning, Nmap can be used for OS detection.

### 3. Vulnerability Scanning

#### Tools:

Nikto: A web server scanner which performs comprehensive tests against web servers for multiple items, including potentially dangerous files and programs.

Nmap: Nmap has a set of scripts categorized under vuln, which can be used to detect common vulnerabilities.

OpenVAS: A full-featured vulnerability scanner.

Metasploit Framework: Useful for validating identified vulnerabilities through exploitation attempts.

#### 4. Documentation

Creating a table summarizing findings.

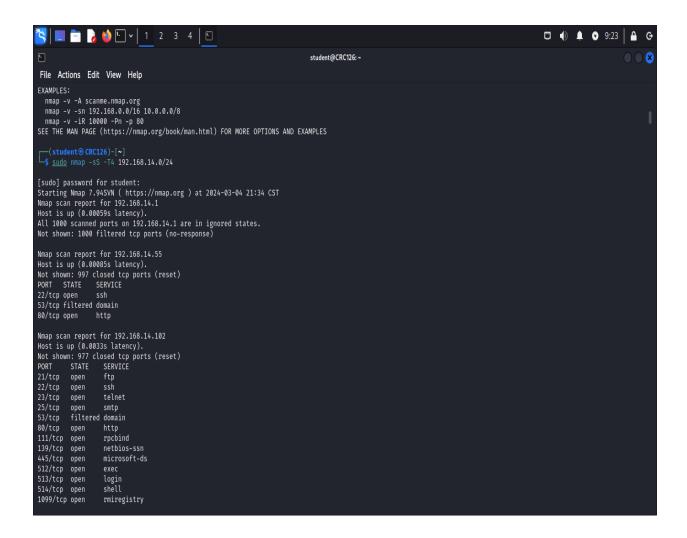
IP Address: List the IP addresses of the discovered hosts.

Open Services/Applications: List of the services/applications found on each host.

Vulnerability: Vulnerabilities detected.

Detection Method: Tools and methods used for detection (like, Nmap, Nikto, OpenVAS).

Nmap performs a SYN scan over all 65535 ports across all the hosts in the network. The -T4 option speeds up the scanning process.



Nmap Aggressive scan that includes service detection, OS detection, traceroute, and common scripts:

### Nmap Scan results: -

IP Address	Identified Services	Vulnerable Services
192.168.14.1	All 1000 scanned ports are in ignored states.	N/A
192.168.14.55	- SSH (22/tcp): OpenSSH 7.6p1 Ubuntu 4ubuntu0.3 HTTP (80/tcp): Apache httpd 2.4.29 (Ubuntu)	SSH (OpenSSH 7.6p1 HTTP (Apache 2.4.29)
		FTP (vsftpd 2.3.4): Vulnerable to backdoor entry, CVE-2011-2523.  SSH (OpenSSH 4.7p1): Older version, potential vulnerabilities including
	FTP (21/tcp): vsftpd 2.3.4 SSH (22/tcp): OpenSSH 4.7p1 Debian 8ubuntu1 Telnet (23/tcp): Linux telnetd SMTP (25/tcp): Postfix smtpd	username enumeration (CVE-2018-15473) and others. <b>Telnet</b> : Insecure protocol, susceptible to interception and unauthorized access.
	HTTP (80/tcp): Apache httpd 2.2.8 (Ubuntu) DAV/2 Samba (139/tcp, 445/tcp)	SMTP (Postfix): Older versions may be vulnerable to various attacks. HTTP (Apache 2.2.8): Multiple
	MySQL (3306/tcp): MySQL 5.0.51a-3ubuntu5 PostgreSQL (5432/tcp): PostgreSQL DB 8.3.0 - 8.3.7	vulnerabilities including CVE-2008-2364 (cross-site scripting), CVE-2009-1890 (mod proxy reverse proxy bypass), etc.
192.168.14.102	Others (rpcbind, nfs, vnc, etc.)	Samba, MySQL, PostgreSQL.

IP Address	Identified Services	Vulnerable Services
		FTP (vsftpd 3.0.2): Anonymous FTP
		login allowed, which poses a security risk.
		SSH (OpenSSH 6.6.1): Possible
		vulnerabilities include CVE-2016-0777
		and CVE-2016-0778 (roaming feature vulnerabilities).
		SMTP (Postfix): Some older versions
		may be vulnerable to various attacks.
	FTP (21/tcp): vsftpd 3.0.2	HTTP (Apache 2.4.7): Known
	SSH (22/tcp): OpenSSH 6.6.1p1 Ubuntu	vulnerabilities such as CVE-2014-0226
	2ubuntu2	(mod_status memory access), CVE-2014-
	SMTP (25/tcp): Postfix smtpd	0118 (mod_deflate denial of service), and
	HTTP (80/tcp): Apache httpd 2.4.7 (Ubuntu)	others.
	POP3, IMAP (110/tcp, 143/tcp): Dovecot pop3d,	
	Dovecot imapd	configurations and check for updates.
	RPC, NFS (111/tcp, 2049/tcp)	MySQL, PostgreSQL: Unauthorized
	NetBIOS, SMB (139/tcp, 445/tcp): Samba smbd	access indicates misconfigurations or
	MySQL (3306/tcp): Unauthorized access	vulnerabilities; ensure strong
	PostgreSQL (5432/tcp): PostgreSQL DB 9.3.3 -	authentication and update to the latest
	9.3.5	versions.
192.168.14.104	Others (CUPS, SSL/POP3, etc.)	Samba.

# Summary of some vulnerabilities: -

#### 192.168.14.1

No specific vulnerabilities were reported in the scan results for this IP.

### 192.168.14.55

No specific vulnerabilities were identified for this host. It mainly revealed open ports and services but didn't detail exploitable vulnerabilities directly.

### 192.168.14.102

- 1. FTP (vsftpd 2.3.4): Known for a backdoor vulnerability (CVE-2011-2523).
- 2. SSH (OpenSSH 4.7p1 Debian 8ubuntu1): May have vulnerabilities specific to its version; newer versions have fixed several issues.
- 3. Telnet (Linux telnetd): Telnet is inherently insecure as it transmits data in plaintext, making it susceptible to eavesdropping.

- 4. HTTP (Apache httpd 2.2.8): Older versions of Apache have multiple vulnerabilities. For instance, CVE-2007-6750 is a Slowloris DOS attack vulnerability.
- 5. Samba (smbd 3.X 4.X): Certain versions of Samba are vulnerable to various exploits, including remote code execution vulnerabilities.
- 6. Bindshell (Metasploitable root shell on 1524/tcp): Indicates a backdoor access vulnerability.
- 7. IRC (UnrealIRCd): Known vulnerabilities include backdoors and remote execution flaws, especially in older versions.

#### 192.168.14.104

- 1. FTP (vsftpd 3.0.2): Generally considered stable, but configuration and anonymous access should be reviewed for potential security issues.
- 2. SSH (OpenSSH 6.6.1p1): Vulnerabilities like CVE-2016-0777 and CVE-2016-0778 (roaming feature vulnerabilities) could affect this version.
- 3. SMTP (Postfix smtpd): While generally secure, configuration and known vulnerabilities for the specific version should be checked.
- 4. HTTP (Apache httpd 2.4.7): Known for vulnerabilities like CVE-2014-0226 (mod\_status memory access issue) and CVE-2014-0118 (mod\_deflate module DOS).
- 5. Samba (smbd 3.X 4.X): Vulnerable to various exploits depending on the version, including potential for remote code execution.
- 6. PostgreSQL (9.3.3 9.3.5): Specific vulnerabilities should be checked, as database versions often have targeted exploits.
- 7. Apache Tomcat/Coyote JSP engine 1.1 on port 8080: Known for various vulnerabilities depending on configuration and version.

#### Software used to detect vulnerable services: -

#### Nmap

For Nmap: - Basic Vulnerability Scan I used command: --script=vuln 192.168.14.0/24

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$\ \text{nmap} --\text{script=vuln} 192.168.14.0/24

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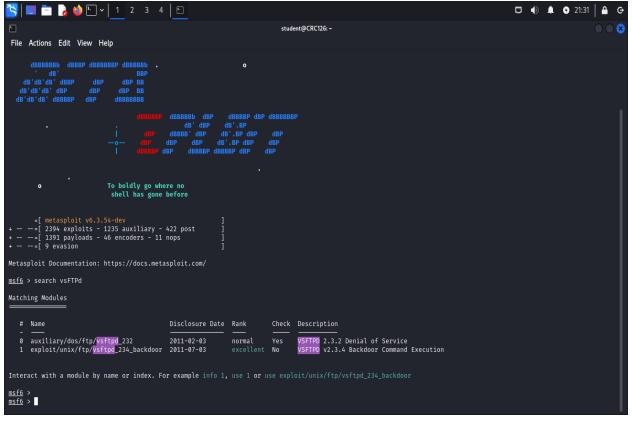
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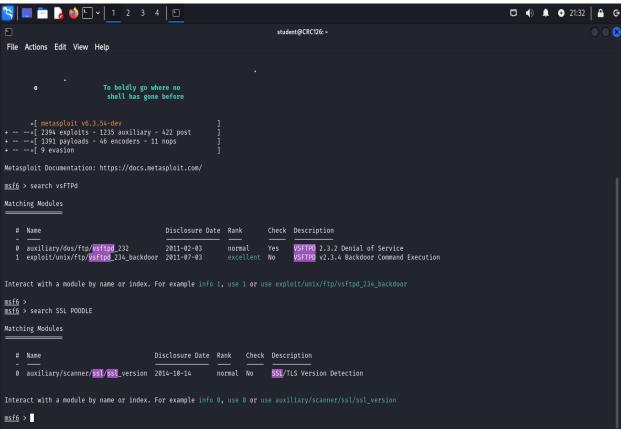
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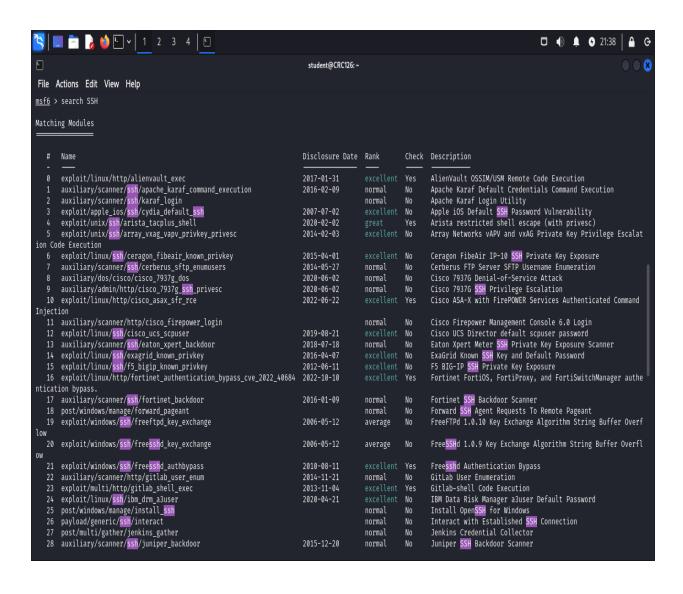
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\text{PORT STATE SERVICE}
  PORT STATE SERVICE
22/tcp open ssh
   53/tcp filtered domain
  80/tcp open http
|_http-csrf: Couldn't find any CSRF vulnerabilities.
| http-slowloris-check:
              VULNERABLE:
            Slowloris DDS attack
State: LIKELY VULNERABLE
IDs: CVE:CVE-2007-6750
Slowloris tries to keep many connections to the target web server open and hold
                      them open as long as possible. It accomplishes this by opening connections to
the target web server and sending a partial request. By doing so, it starves
the http server's resources causing Denial Of Service.
                 Disclosure date: 2009-09-17
                       http://ha.ckers.org/slowloris/
   |_ https://cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2007-6750
|_http-stored-xss: Couldn't find any stored XSS vulnerabilities.
|_http-dombased-xss: Couldn't find any DOM based XSS.
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21/tcp open ftp
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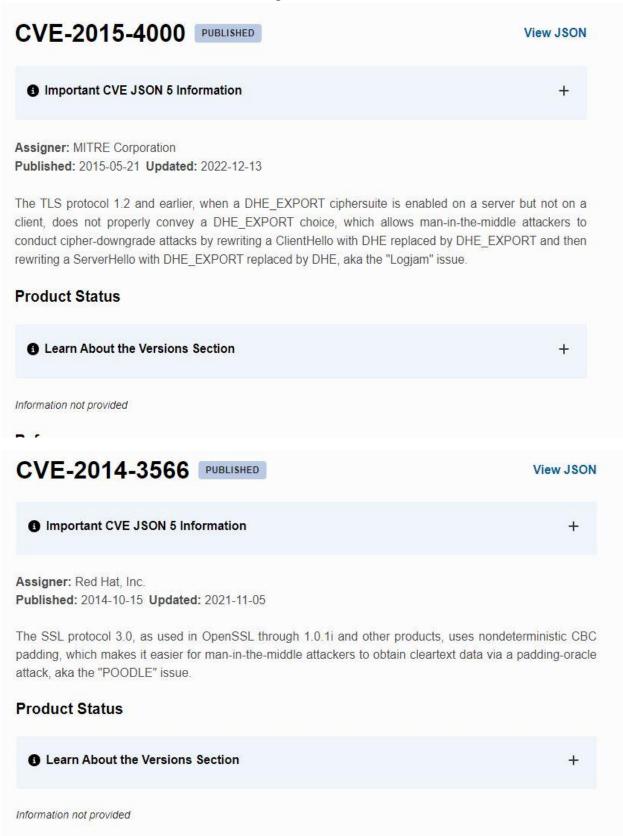
I also used Metasploit Framework to search for vulnerable services: -







I checked the online database with CVE.org also: -





Below is an explanation of each vulnerability, providing insights into why these services may be considered vulnerable and potentially exploitable:

#### 1. FTP (vsftpd 2.3.4)

Vulnerability: Backdoor vulnerability (CVE-2011-2523)

Details: This specific version of vsftpd was compromised, and a backdoor was introduced in the software. When triggered, this backdoor allows an attacker to gain remote command execution on the affected server. The vulnerability is activated by attempting to log in with a username containing a smiley face:). Once the backdoor is opened, it listens on TCP port 6200 for incoming connections, providing shell access to the attacker.

Mitigation: Upgrade to a version of vsftpd that does not contain this backdoor.

### 2. SSH (OpenSSH 4.7p1 Debian 8ubuntu1)

Vulnerability: Multiple vulnerabilities due to version

Details: This version of OpenSSH is outdated and may contain several vulnerabilities that have been fixed in later releases. These vulnerabilities range from information disclosure to authentication bypasses and code execution. The specific vulnerabilities would depend on the exact version and compilation options.

Mitigation: Upgrade to the latest version of OpenSSH and ensure that all patches have been applied.

### 3. Telnet (Linux telnetd)

Vulnerability: Inherent protocol weakness

Details: Telnet transmits all data, including passwords, in plaintext. This makes it susceptible to interception and eavesdropping, especially if the communication is not encrypted with a secondary protocol. The use of Telnet over an unsecured network exposes sensitive information to anyone capable of packet sniffing.

Mitigation: Replace Telnet with SSH or another secure protocol that encrypts the communication, preventing eavesdropping and ensuring data confidentiality and integrity.

# 4. HTTP (Apache httpd 2.2.8)

Vulnerability: Slowloris DOS attack vulnerability (CVE-2007-6750)

Details: The Slowloris attack allows a single machine to take down another machine's web server with minimal bandwidth by opening multiple connections to the web server and keeping them open as long as possible. Apache httpd 2.2.8 is vulnerable to such attacks, which can lead to a denial of service.

Mitigation: Upgrade to a newer version of Apache that includes fixes for Slowloris and other DOS vulnerabilities. Consider implementing rate limiting and connection timeouts.

### 5. Samba (smbd 3.X - 4.X)

Vulnerability: Remote code execution vulnerabilities

Details: Certain versions of Samba are vulnerable to remote code execution, allowing an attacker to execute arbitrary code on the affected system. Examples include CVE-2017-7494, where a malicious client can upload a shared library to a writable share, and then cause the server to load and execute it.

Mitigation: Upgrade to a version of Samba that has been patched against known vulnerabilities.

# 6. Bindshell (Metasploitable root shell on 1524/tcp)

Vulnerability: Backdoor access vulnerability

Details: The presence of a bind shell listening on a port like 1524/tcp is indicative of a backdoor, potentially installed by an attacker for easy access. This allows anyone who knows about it to connect and gain shell access, typically with root privileges.

Mitigation: Identify and remove any unauthorized services or applications. Conduct a thorough investigation to understand how the backdoor was installed and address any security breaches.

# 7. IRC (UnrealIRCd)

Vulnerability: Backdoors and remote execution flaws

Details: Older versions of UnrealIRCd have been found to contain backdoors and vulnerabilities that allow remote code execution. For example, a known issue allowed attackers to execute arbitrary commands due to improperly sanitized input.

Mitigation: Upgrade to a secure and updated version of UnrealIRCd. Regularly monitor and apply security patches. Ensure that IRC services, if necessary, are run with the least privileges to limit the impact of a compromise.