

CY201 PROJECT REPORT



- **COURSE NAME:** CYBER SECURITY CONCEPTS AND PRINCIPLES
- **COURSE CODE :** CY201
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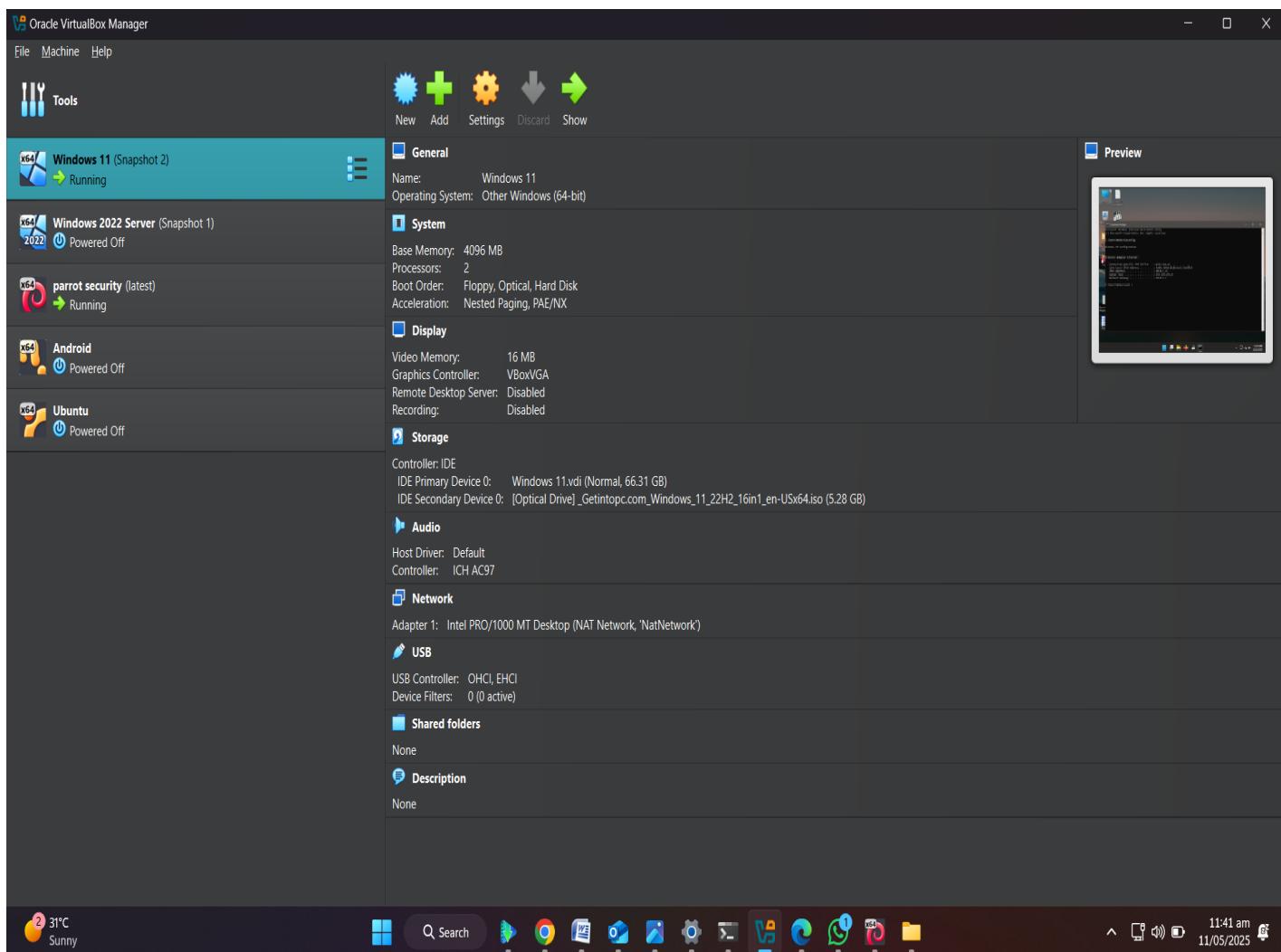
- **ASSIGNED LAB MODULES:**
 1. SNIFFING (MODULE 8)
 2. SOCIAL ENGINEERING (MODULE 9)

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SNIFFING (MODULE 8)

➤ VIRTUAL MACHINES REQUIRED:

1. PARROT SECURITY OS
2. WINDOWS 11 VM
3. WINDOWS SERVER 2022
4. ANDROID VM
5. UBUNTU OS



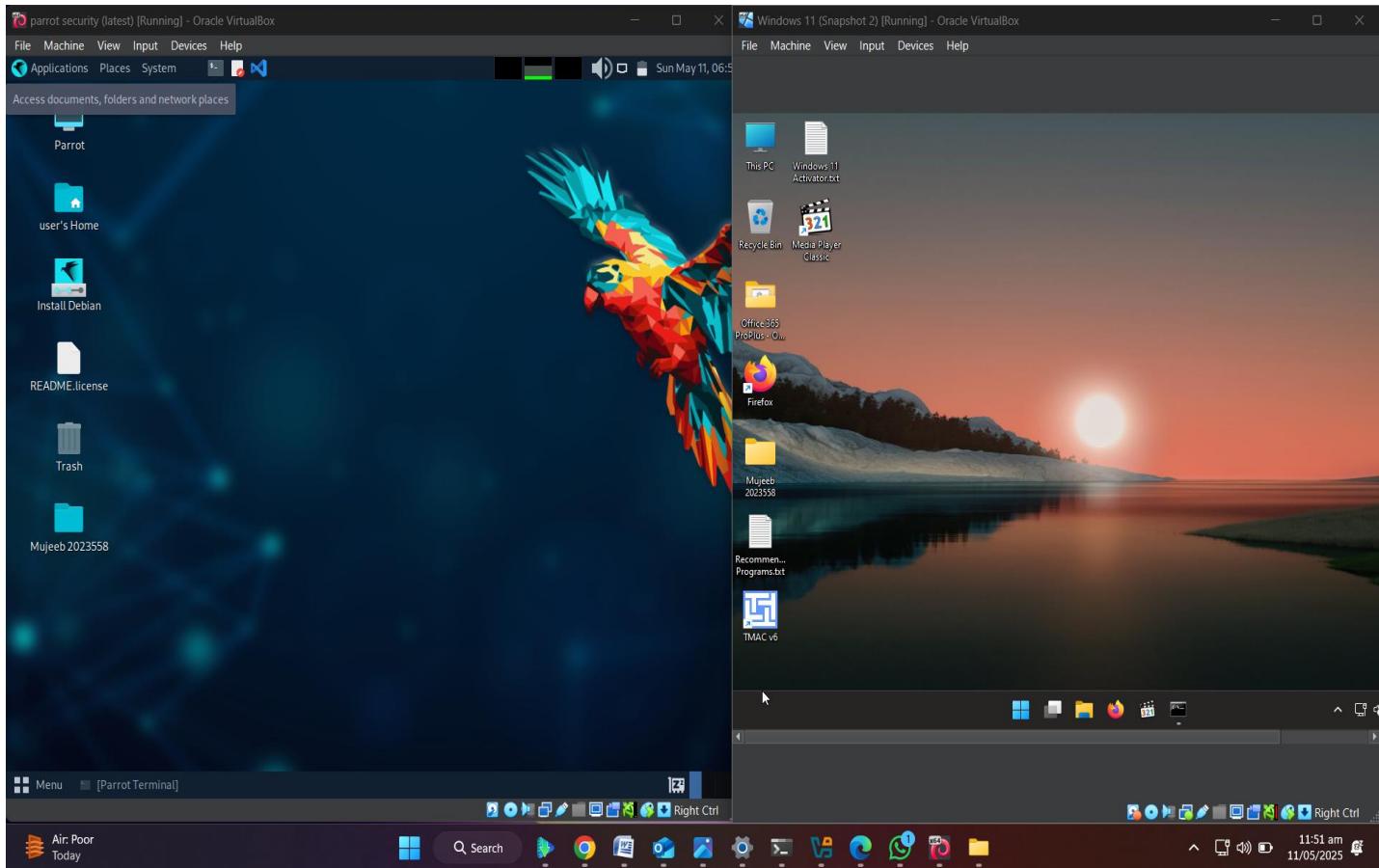
LAB 1 (PERFORM ACTIVE SNIFFING):

Lab Objectives :

1. Perform MAC flooding using macof
2. Perform a DHCP starvation attack using Yersinia
3. Perform ARP poisoning using arpspoof
4. Spoof a MAC address using TMAC and SMAC
5. Spoof a MAC address of Linux machine using macchanger

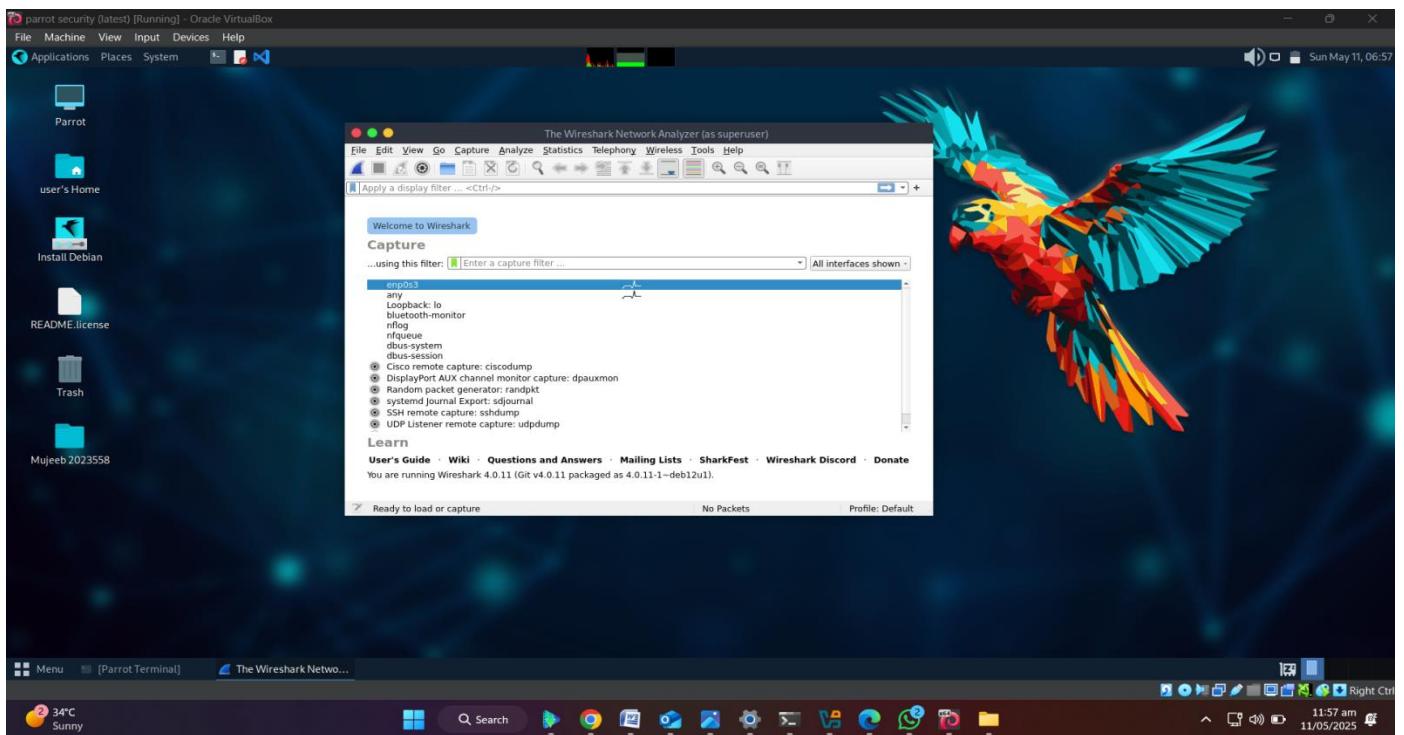
Task 1: Perform MAC Flooding using macof

➤ STEP 1: Turn on the Parrot Os and Windows 11 Virtual machines :

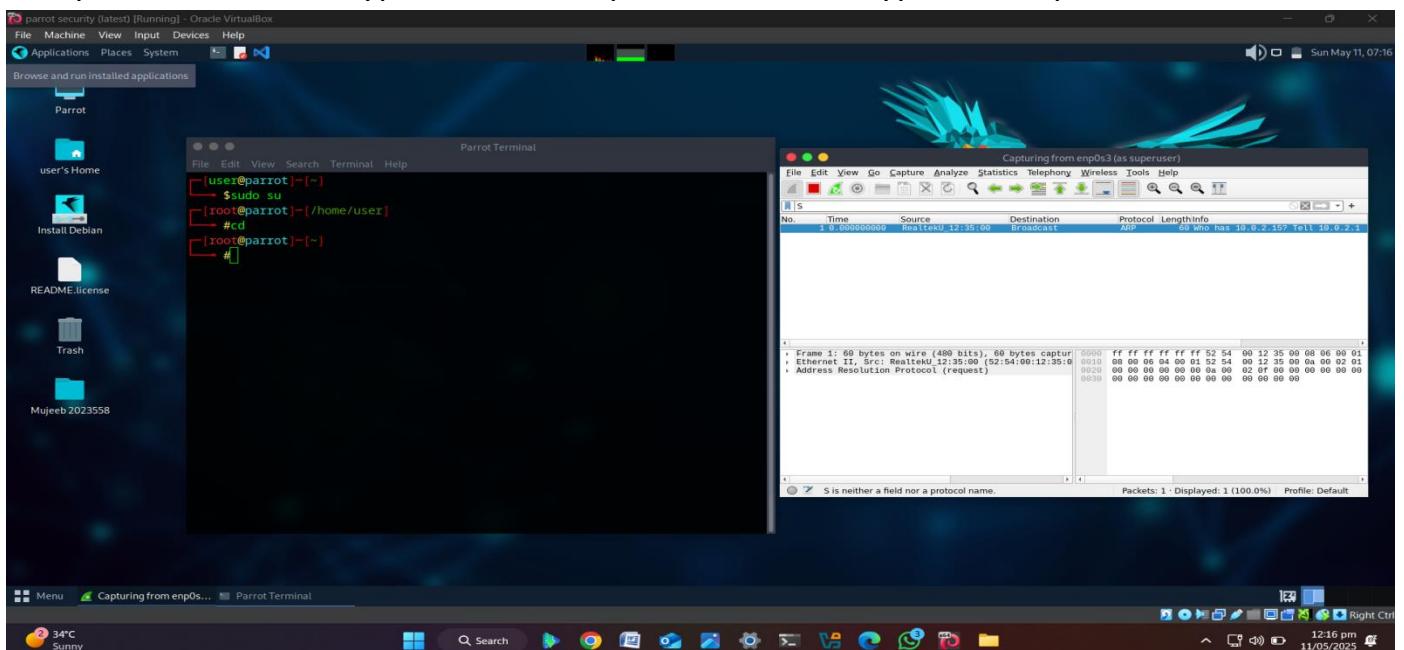


➤ Step 2 (Open Wireshark in Parrot Os) :

1. Click Applications in the top-left corner of Desktop and navigate to Pentesting
-> Information Gathering ->wireshark.



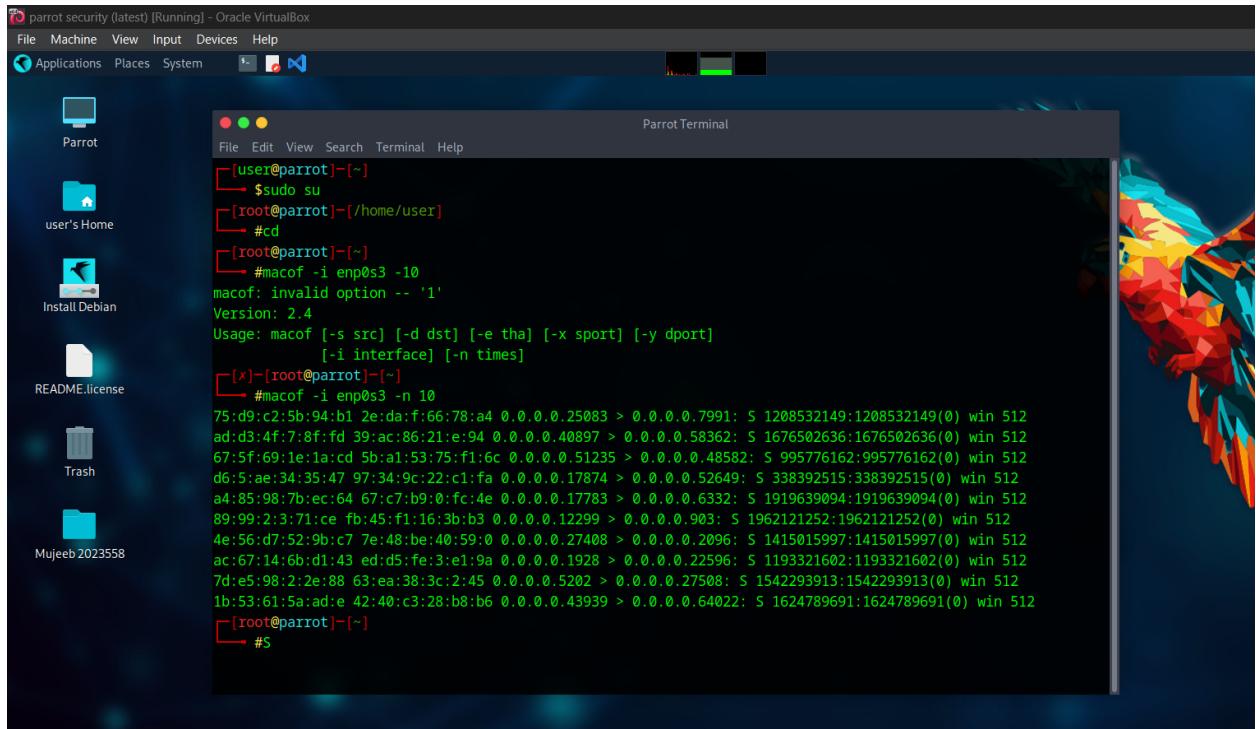
2. Double click on enp0s3 and leave the wireshark runningin background.
3. Open Terminal and type **sudosu** and press enter then type **cd** and press enter.



➤ STEP 3 (Type command for MAC Flooding in terminal):

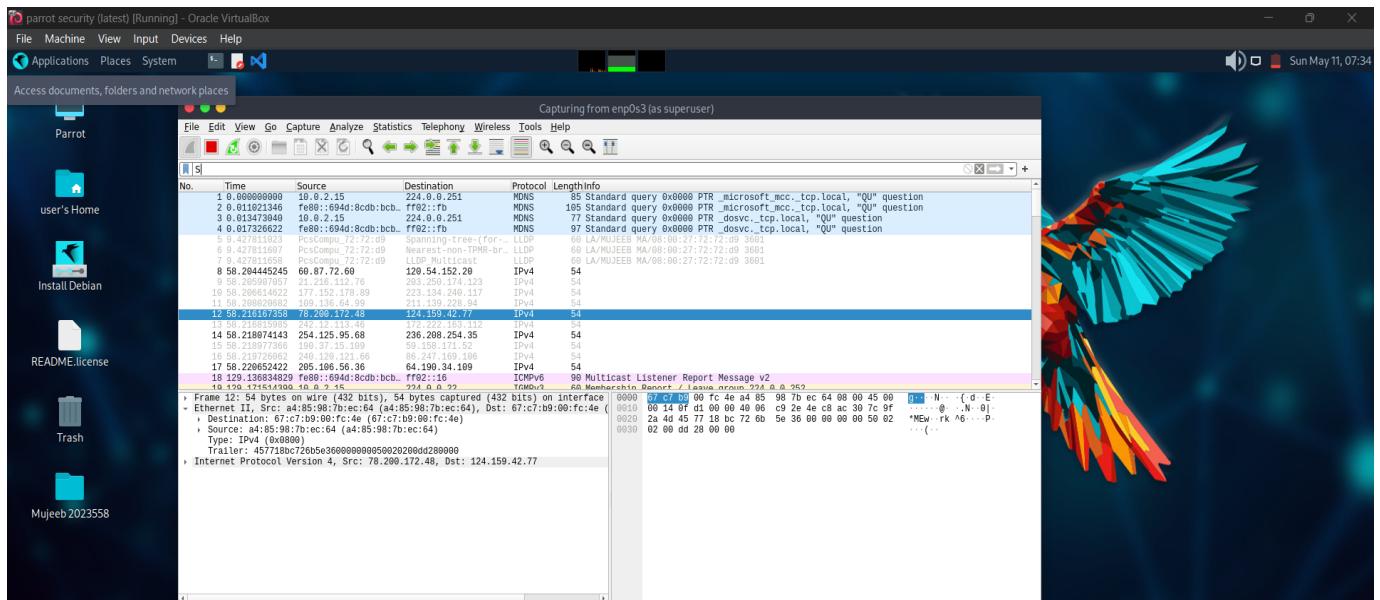
The Parrot Terminal window appears; type **macof -i enp0s3 -n 10** and press Enter.

Note: -i specifies the interface and -n: specifies the number of packets to be sent (here,10).



➤ STEP 4(ANALYZE PACKETS):

Open **WireShark** and Click on **IP4** packets captured and Click on **Ethernet 2** and see the **Source** and **Destination** IP address and **MAC address**.

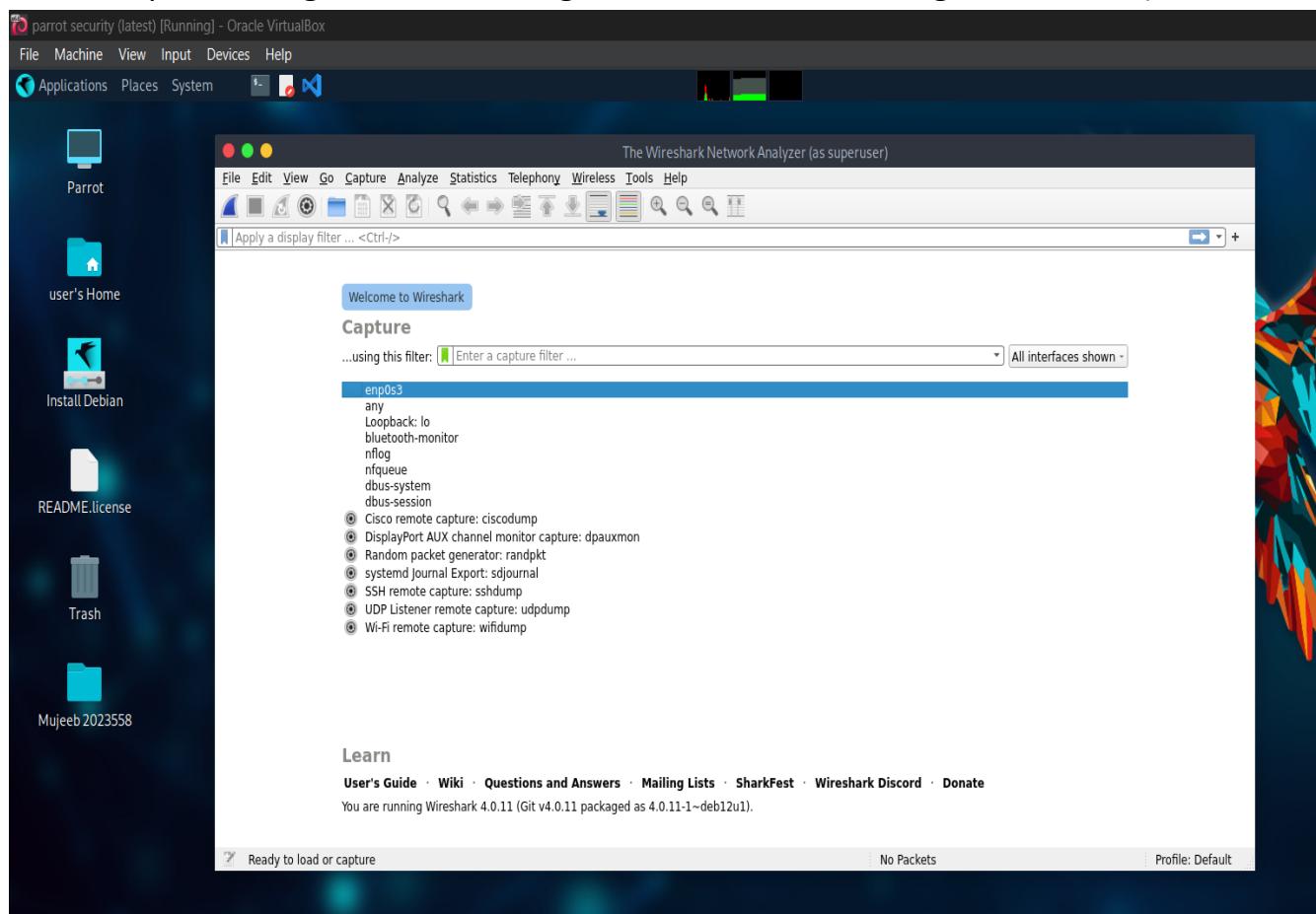


- Macof sends the packets with random MAC and IP addresses to all active machines in the local network. If you are using multiple targets, you will observe the same packets on all target machines.
- Close the wireshark and save the packets if you want.

TASK 2 : Perform a DHCP Starvation Attack using Yersinia

➤ Step 1 (Turn Machines On) :

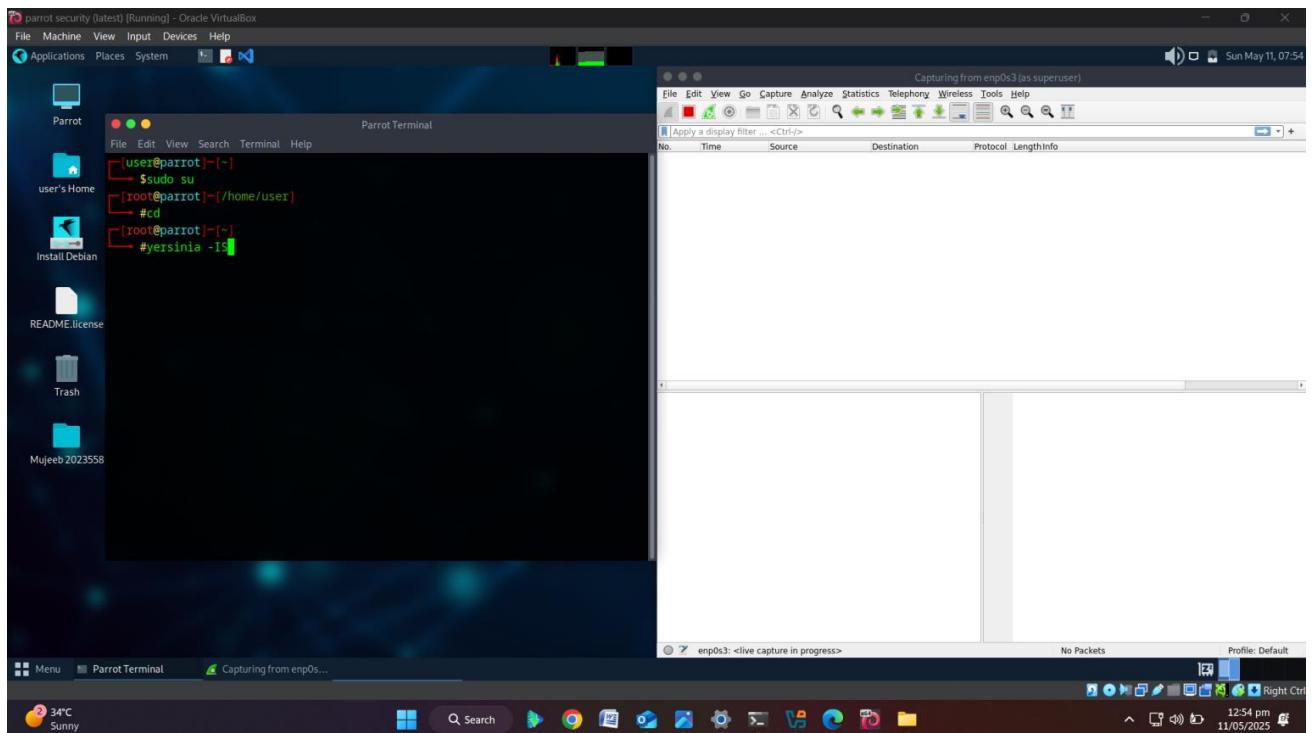
1. Turn on Parrot Os and Open Wireshark (click Applications in the top-left corner of Desktop and navigate to Pentesting-> Information Gathering ->wireshark.)



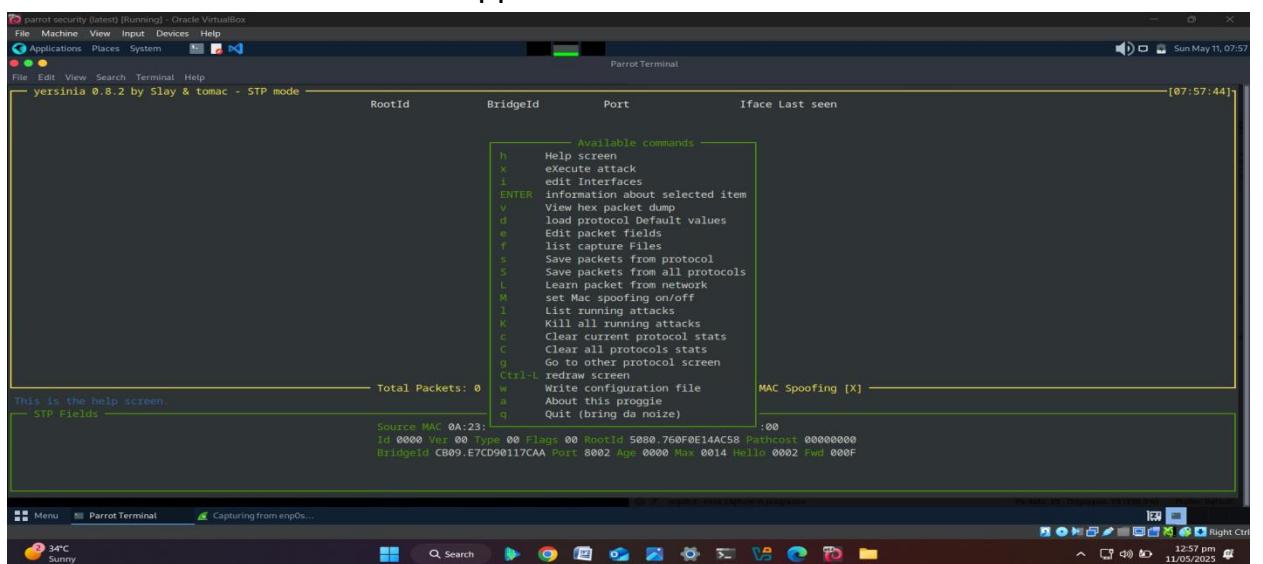
2. Double click enp0s3 and leave the Wireshark Running in the background.

➤ STEP 2 (Perform Attack) :

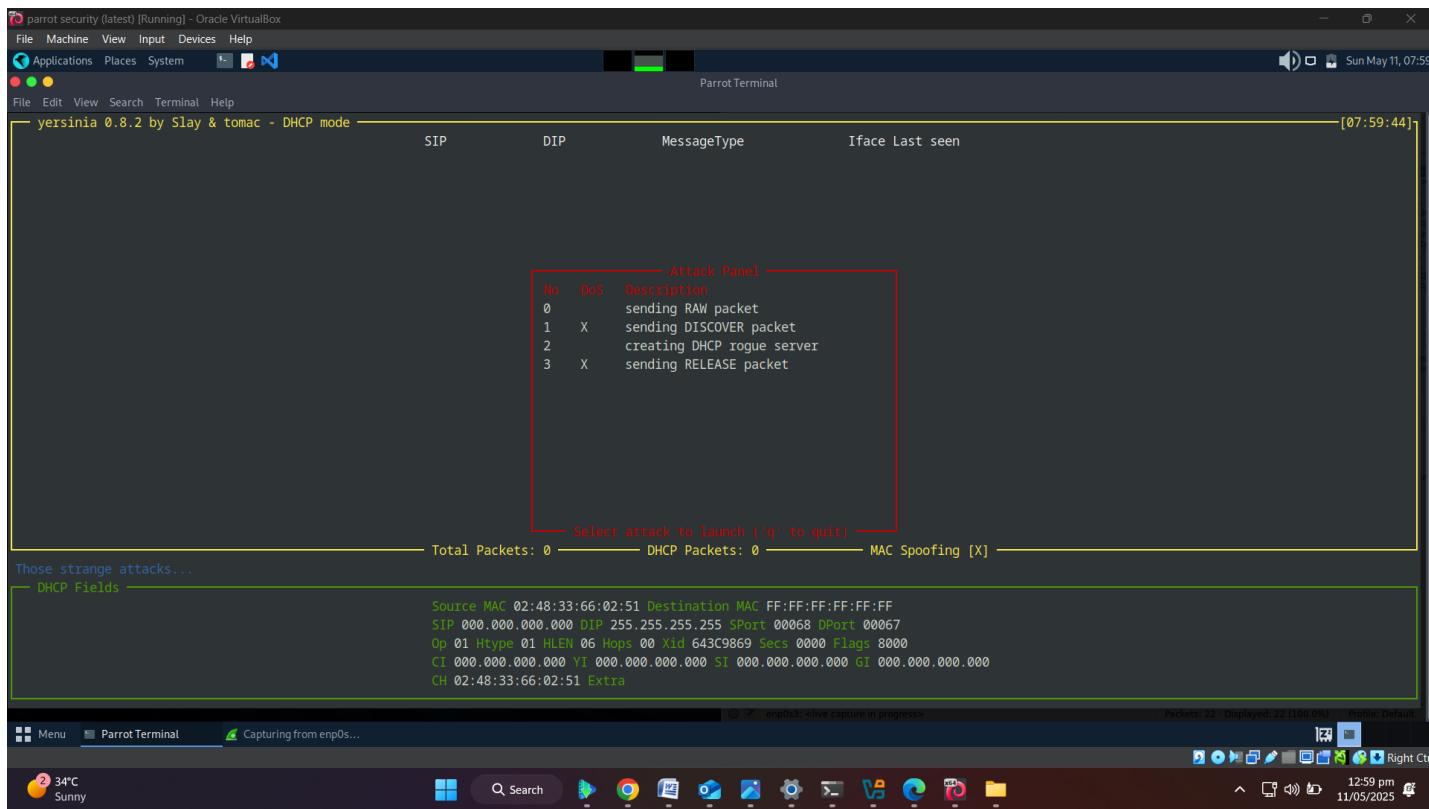
1. Open **Terminal** , Type **sudosu** and press enter and then type cd to jump into root directory.
2. Type **yersinia -I** and press Enter to open Yersinia in interactive mode. Note:
-I: Starts an interactive session.



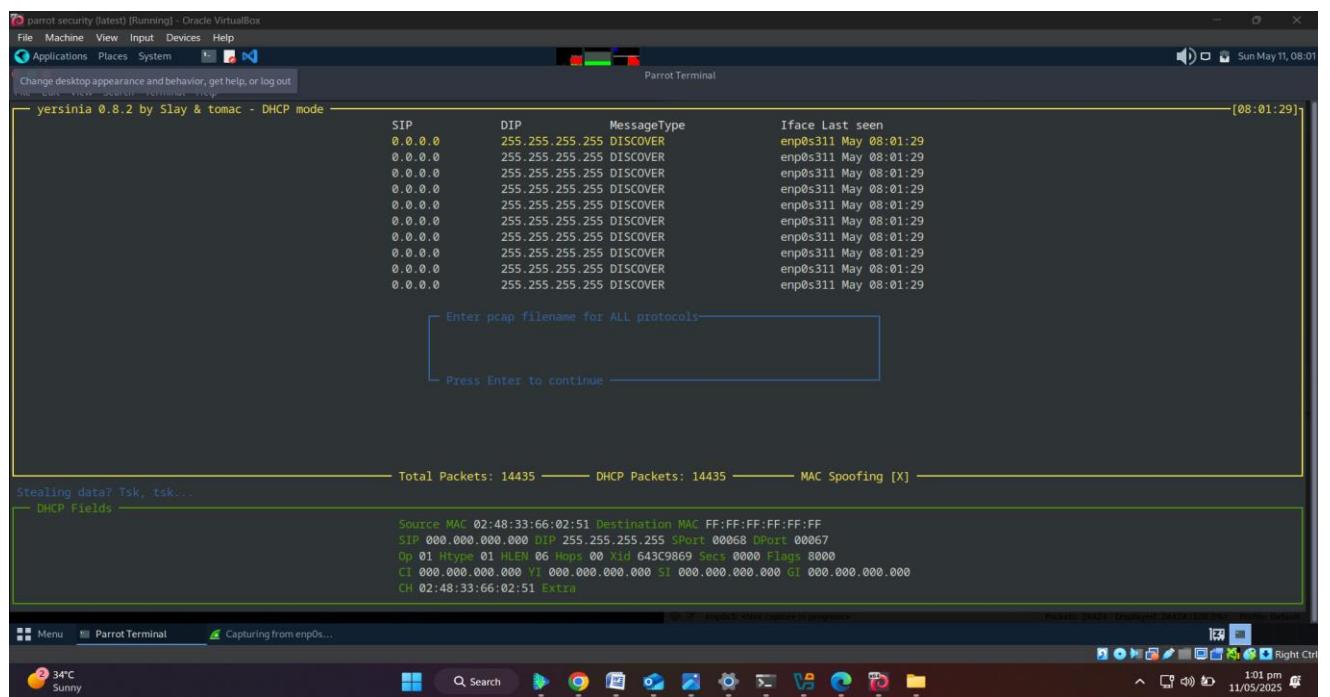
3. Yersinia Interactive mode will appear:



4. Press f2 To enter the DHCP mode and then press x to execute the attack.

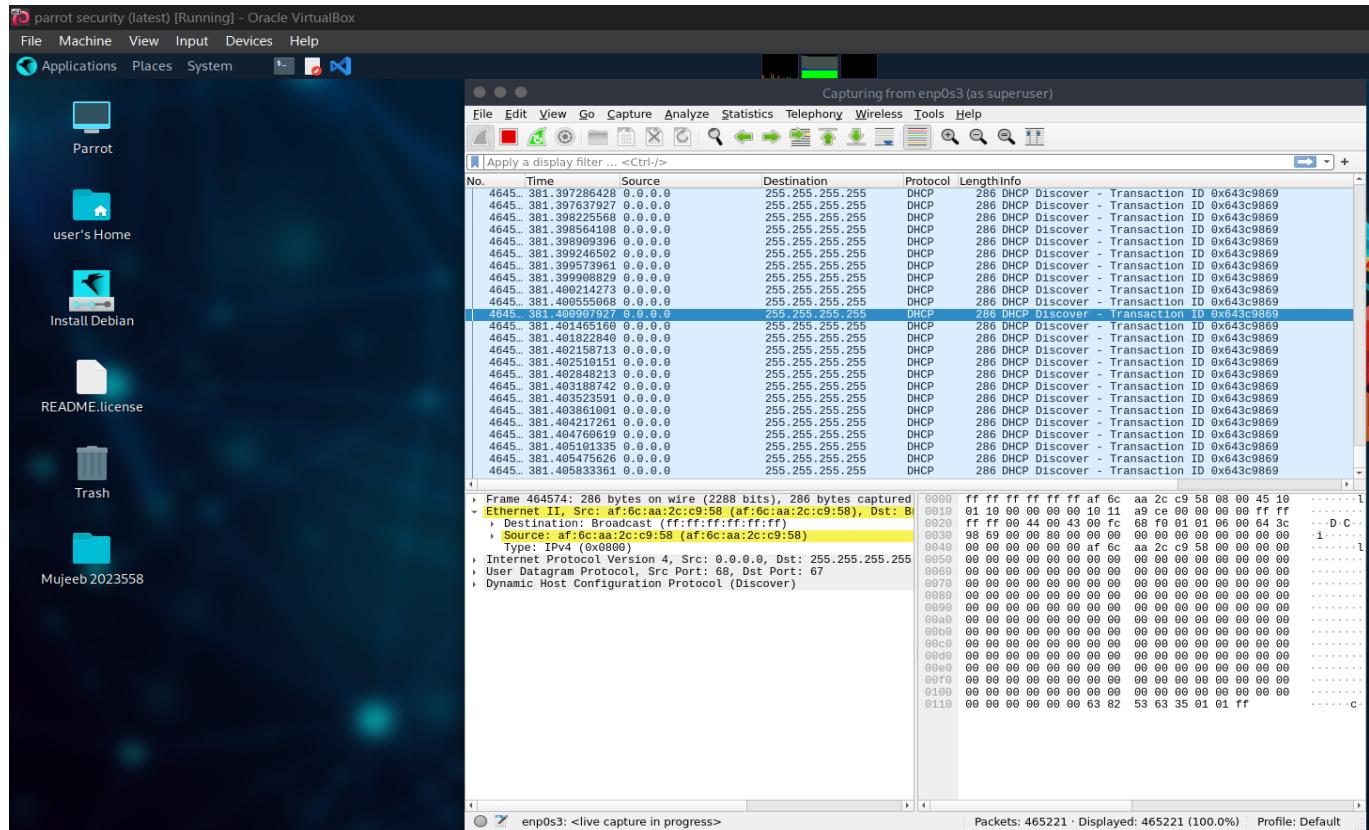


5. The Attack Panel window appears; press 1 to start a DHCP starvation attack.



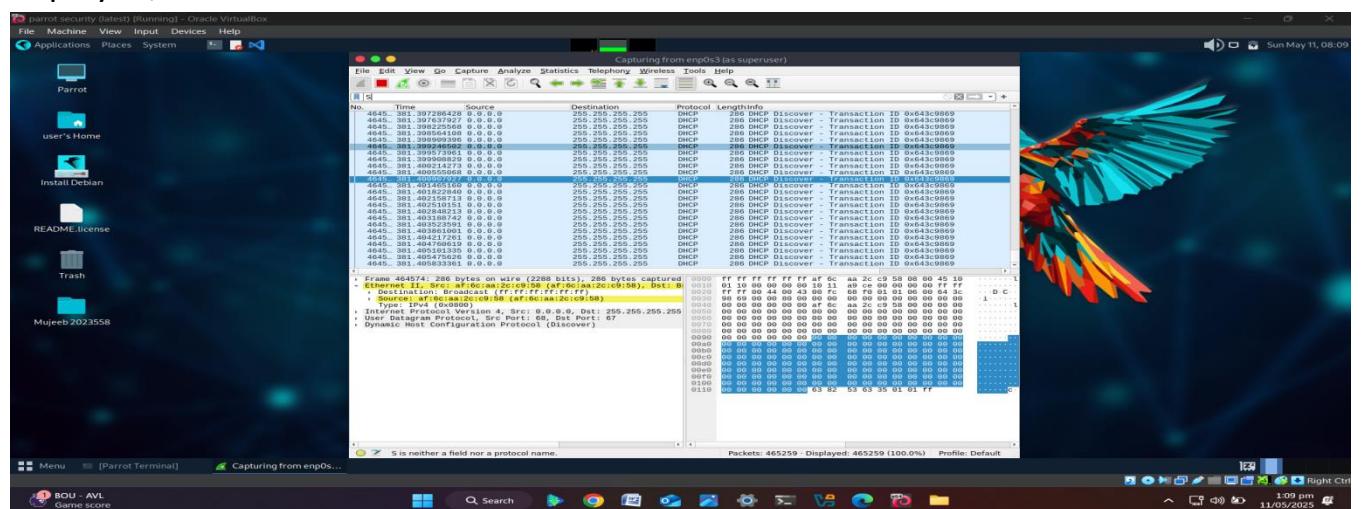
6. Press q to Stop the attack.

7. Now, switch to the Wireshark window and observe the huge number of captured DHCP packets, as shown in the screenshot.



➤ Step 3 (Analyze Attack):

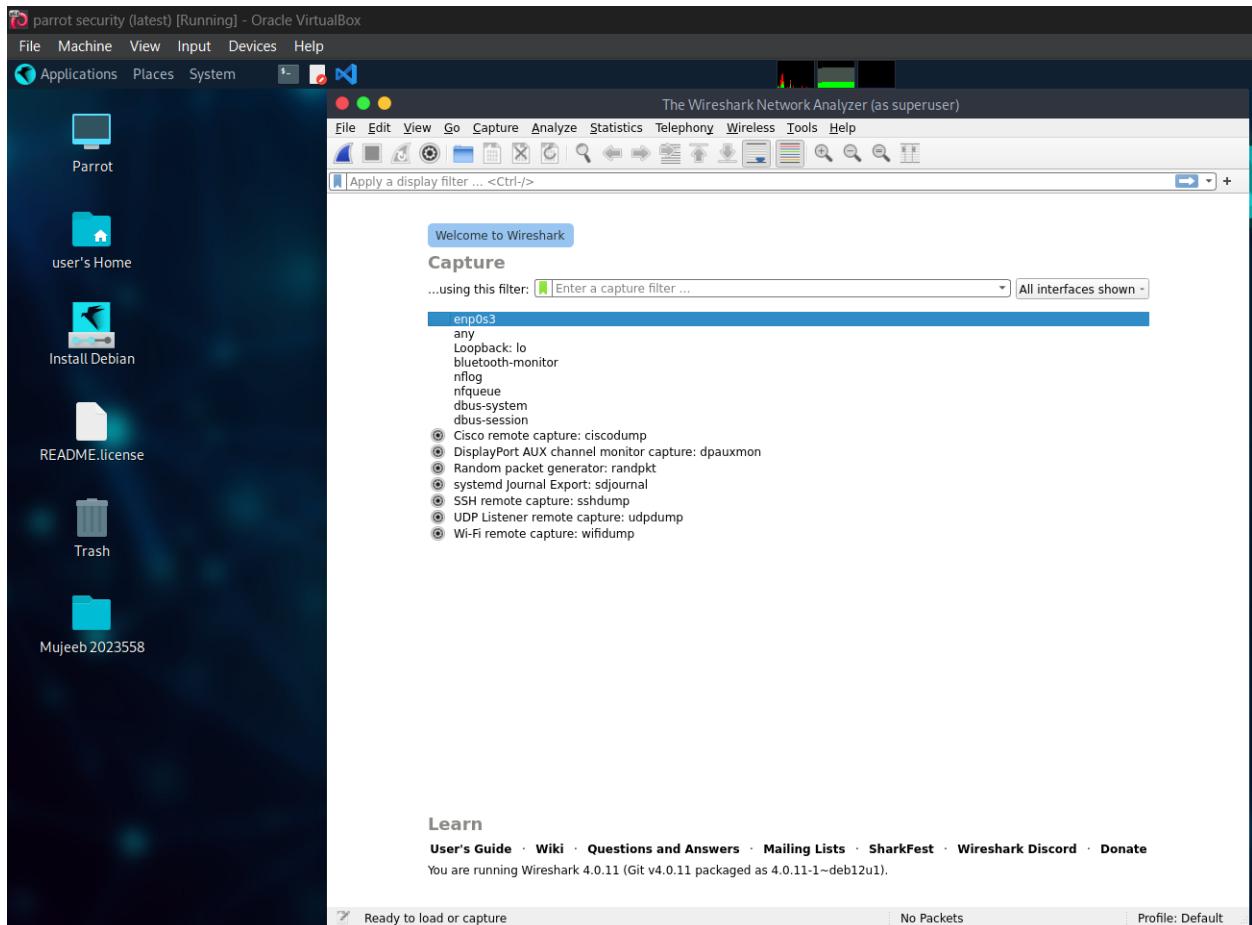
Click on any DHCP packet and expand the Ethernet II node in the packet details section. Information regarding the source and destination MAC addresses is displayed, as shown in the screenshot.



Task 3: Perform ARP Poisoning using arpspoof

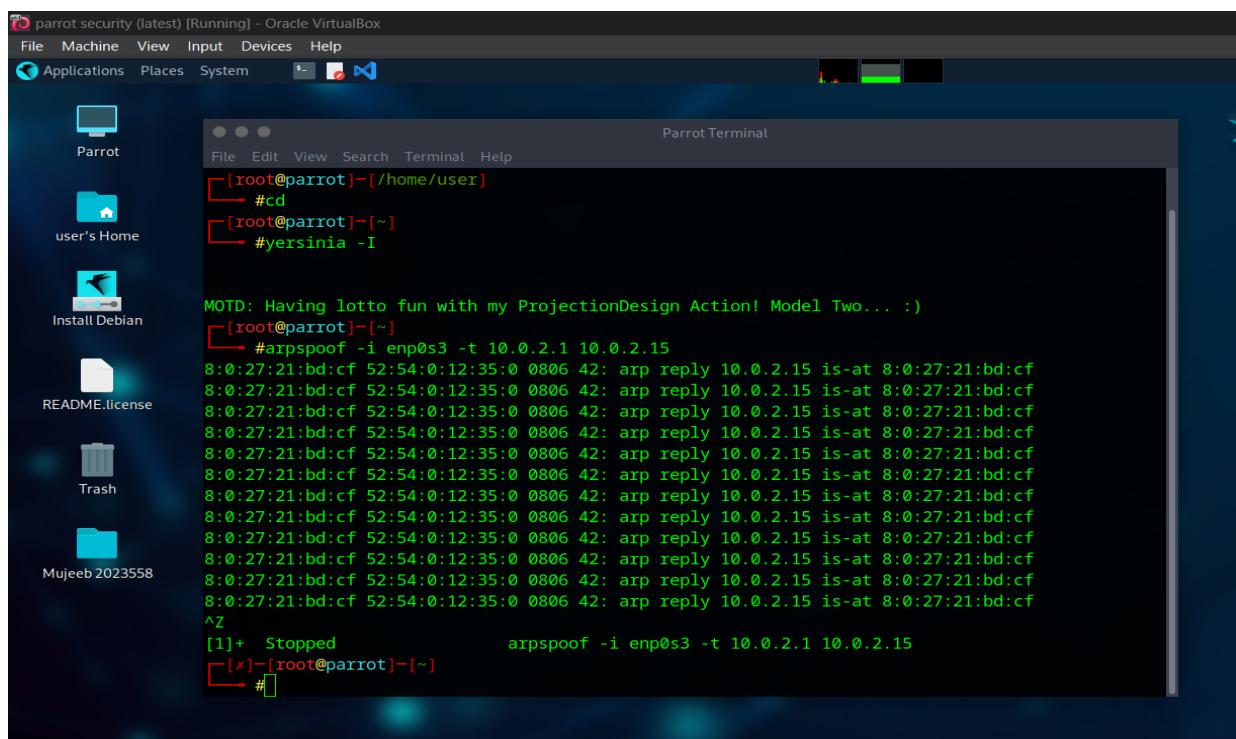
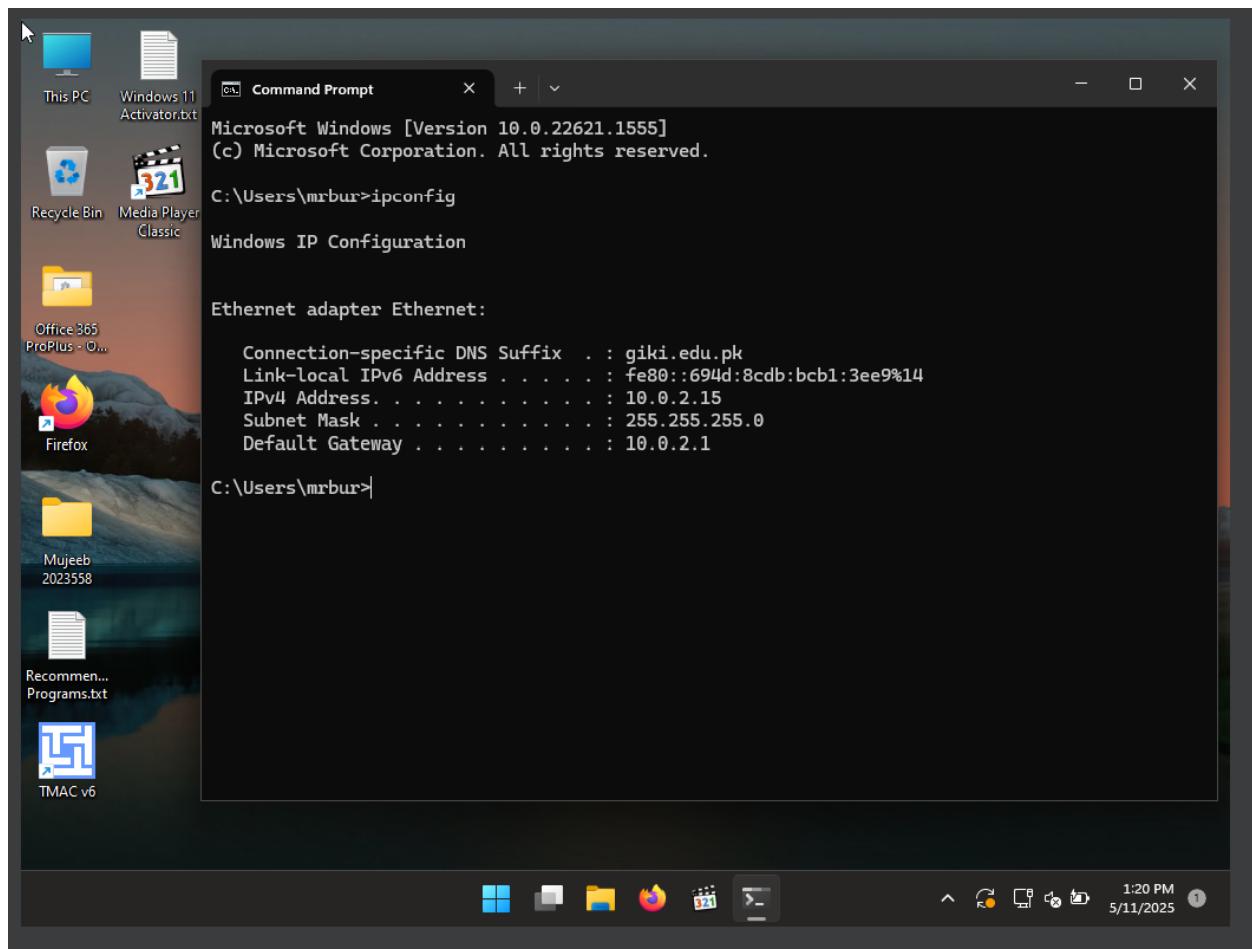
➤ Step 1 (turn on the machines):

1. Turn On the parrot Os and Windows 11.
2. Open Wireshark in Parrot OS.
3. Double click the enp0s3 and leave the wireshark open in background.

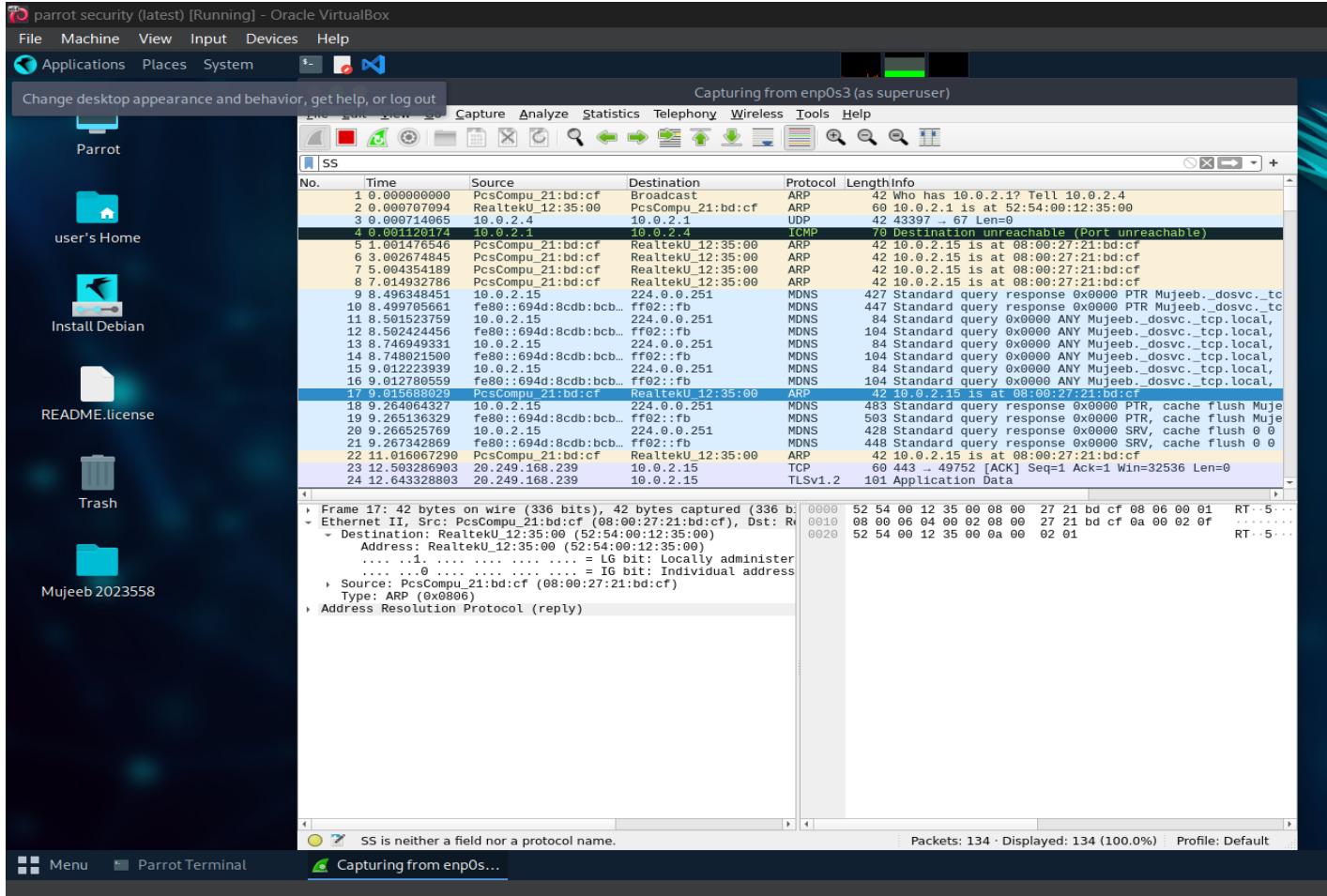


➤ Step 2 (Perform Attack):

1. Open **Terminal**, Type **sudosu** and press enter and then type **cd** to jump into root directory.
2. In the Terminal window, type **arpspoof -i enp0s3 -t 10.0.2.1 10.0.2.15** and press Enter. (Here, **10.0.2.15** is IP address of the target system [Windows 11], and **10.0.2.1** is IP address of the access point or gateway) Note: **-i:** specifies network interface and **-t:** specifies target IP address.



3. Switch to the Wireshark window and you can observe the captured ARP packets, as shown in the screenshot.



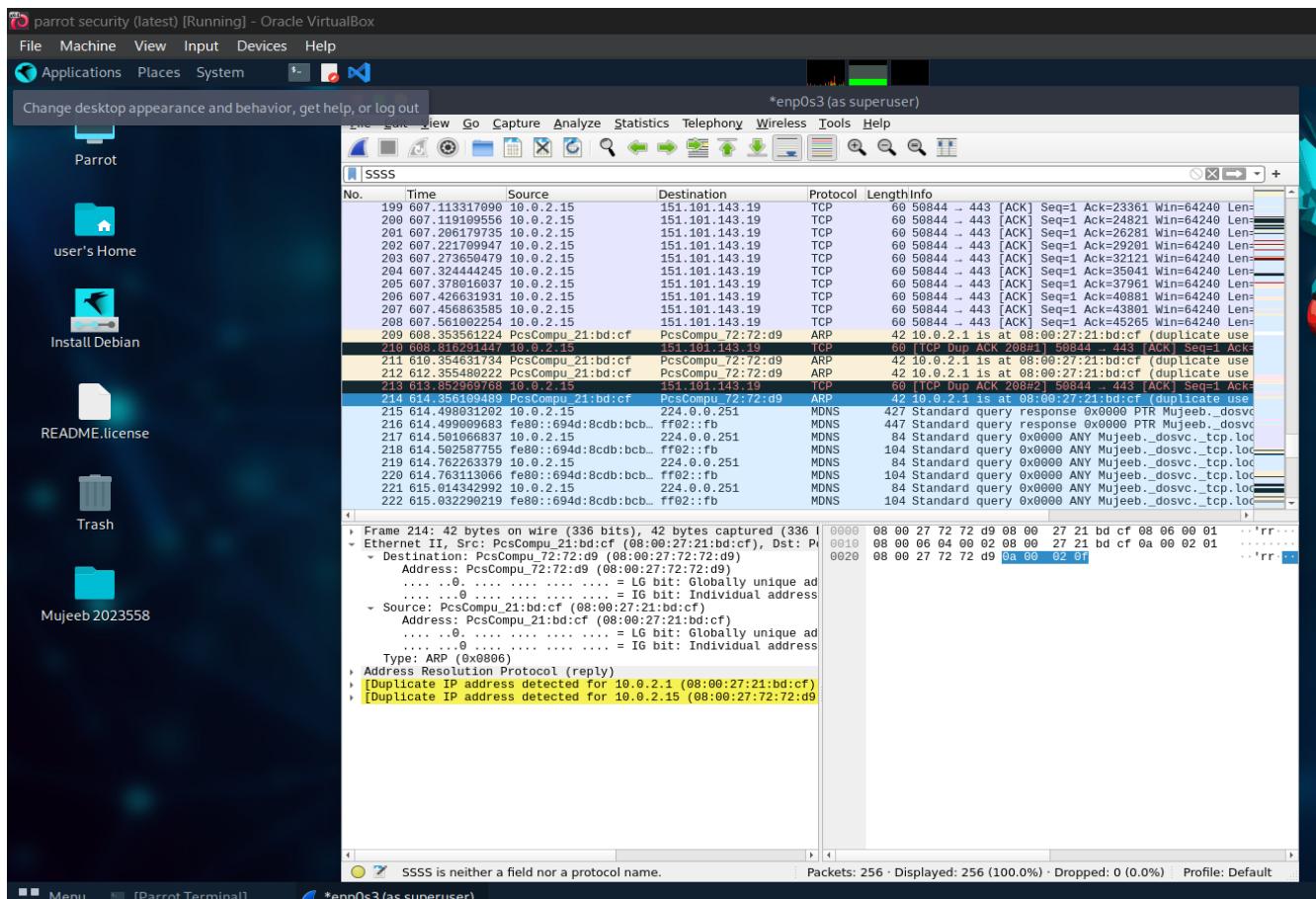
4. Switch back to the terminal window where arpspoof was running. Type `arpspoof -i enp0s3 -t 10.10.1.11 10.10.1.1` and press Enter.
5. Through the above command, the host system informs the target system (10.10.1.11) that it is the access point (10.10.1.1)
6. After sending a few packets, press **CTRL + z** to stop sending the ARP packets.

The screenshot shows a Parrot OS desktop environment. The terminal window displays the following command and its execution:

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arpspoof -i enp0s3 -t 10.0.2.1 10.0.2.15
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The terminal output shows multiple arp reply messages being sent from the interface enp0s3 to the target IP 10.0.2.15, indicating a successful spoofing attempt.

7. In Wireshark, you can observe the ARP packets with an alert warning “**duplicate use of 10.0.2.15 detected!**”



Note: You can navigate to the Windows 11 machine and see the IP addresses and their corresponding MAC addresses. You will observe that the MAC addresses of IP addresses 10.0.2.1 and 10.0.2.15 are the same, indicating the occurrence of an ARP poisoning attack, where 10.0.2.14 is the Parrot Security machine and 10.0.2.1 is the access point.

TASK 4 (Spoof a MAC Address using TMAC and SMAC)

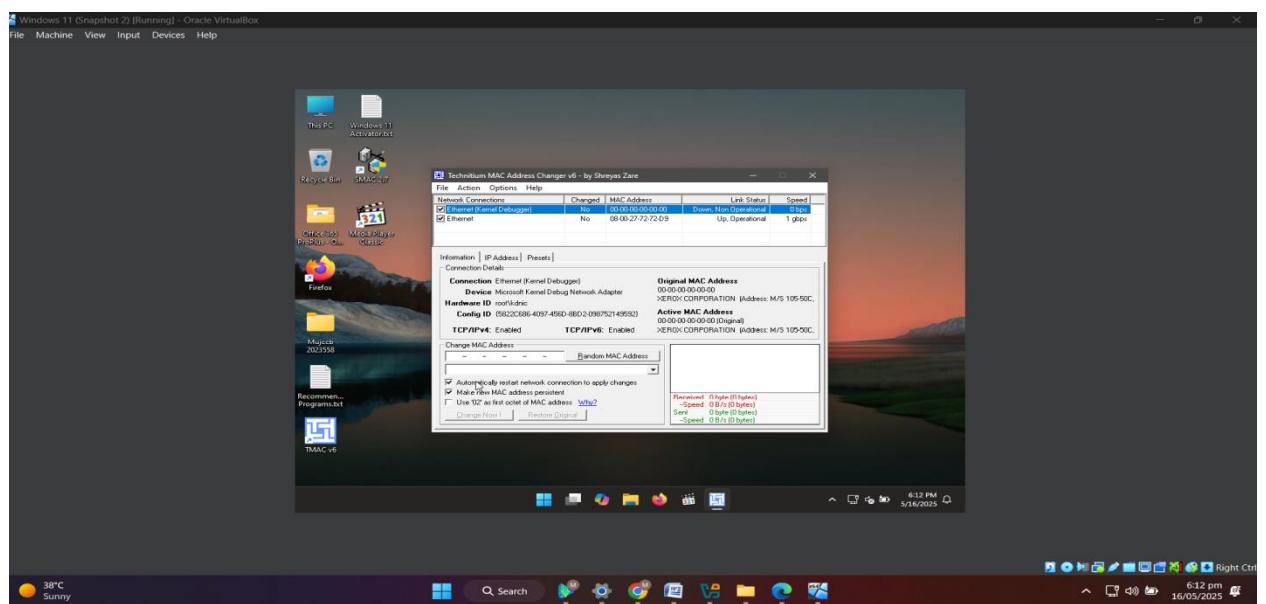
➤ Step 1 (Turn on machine):

1. Turn on the windows 11 VM, And Install TMAC and SMAC.

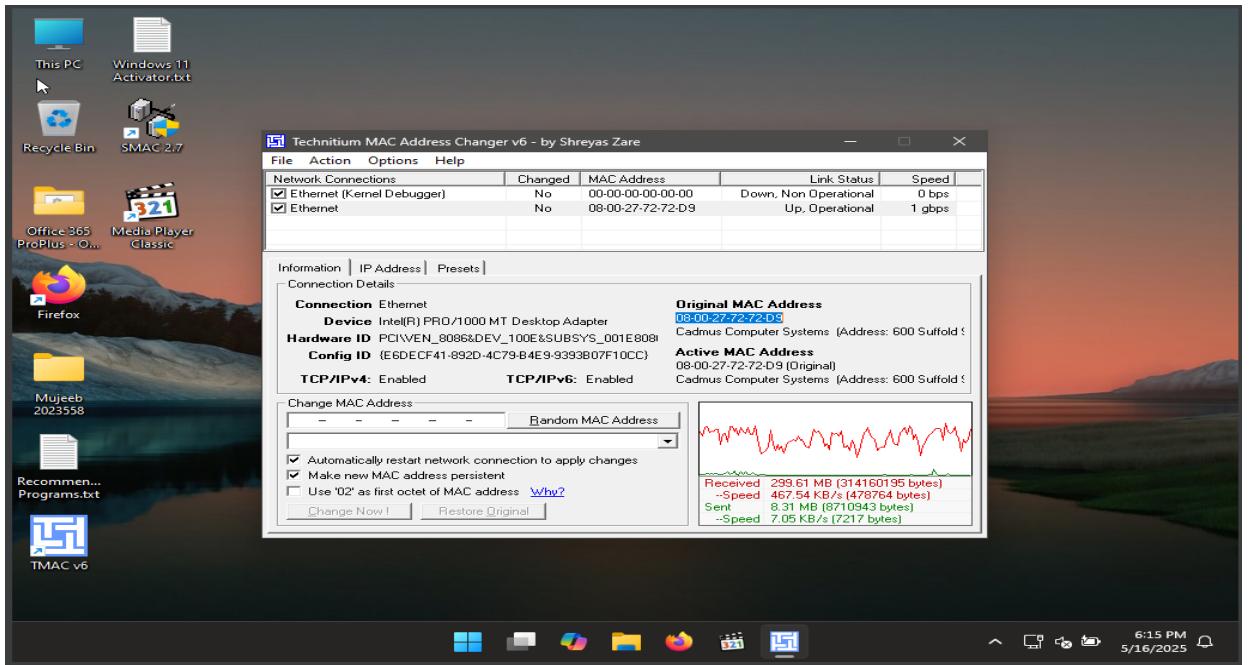


➤ Step 2 (Spoof MAC Address using TMAC):

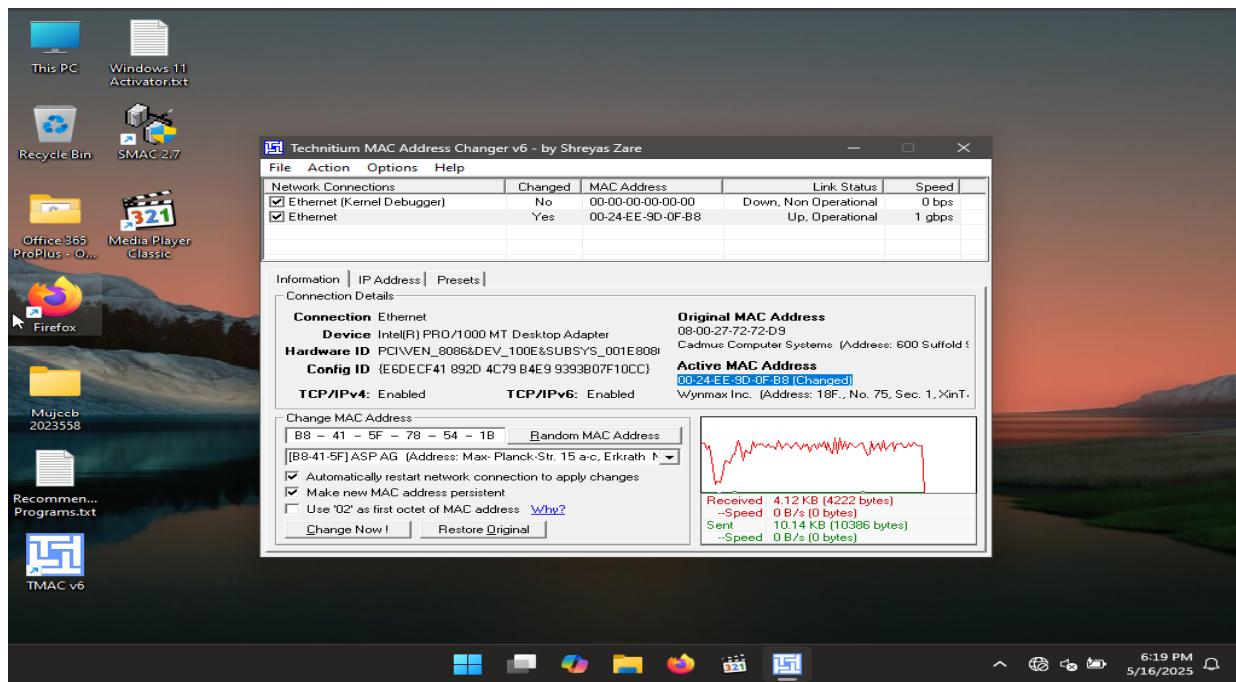
1. Open TMAC application.



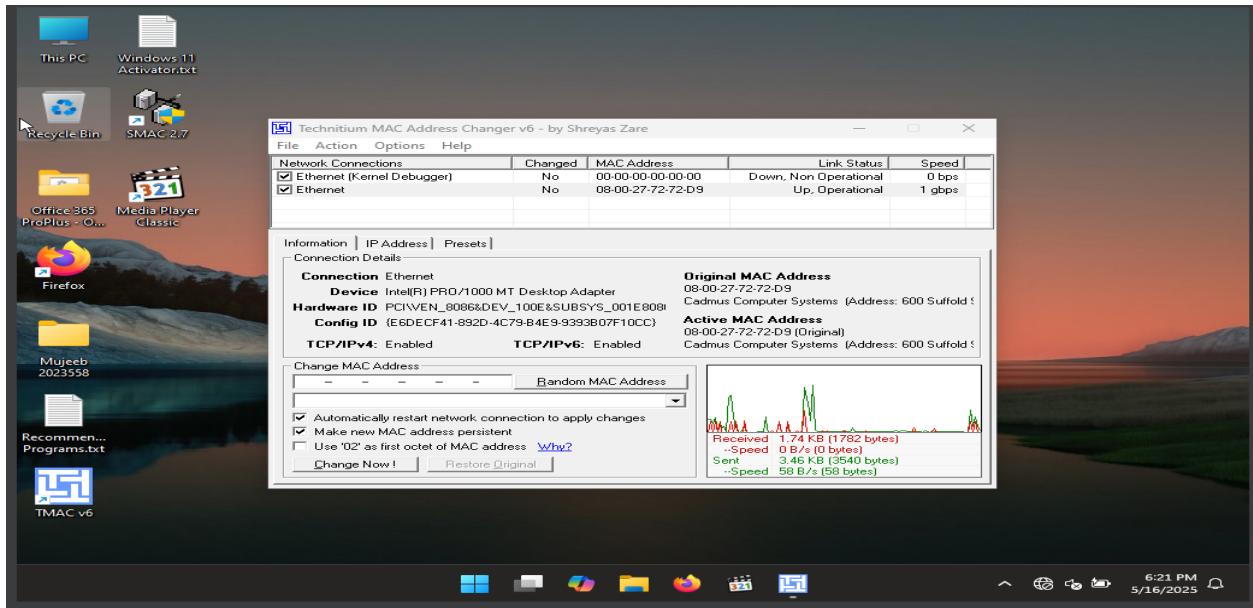
2. Select the connected Network Adapter (Here Ethernet). (Original Mac Address Selected).



3. Click the Random MAC Address button under the Change MAC Address option to generate a random MAC address for the network adapter and then click (change now).

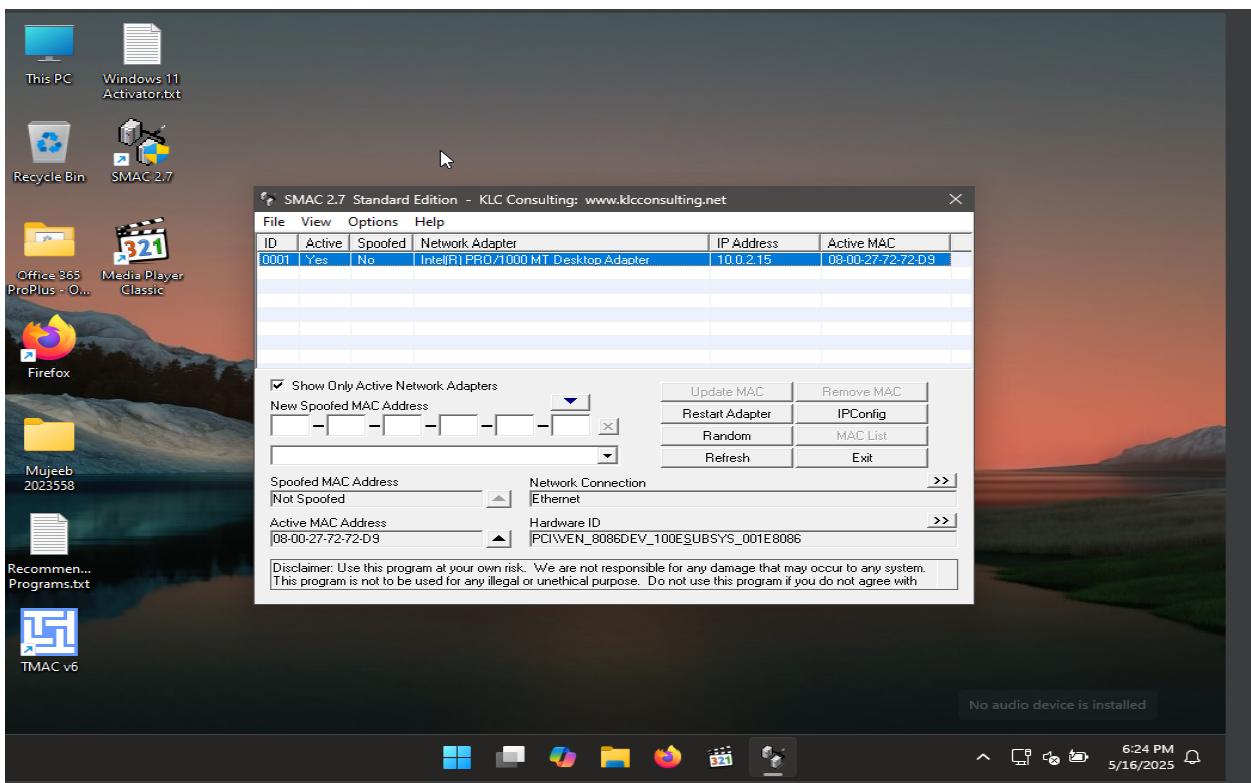


4. Spoofed Mac address is shown under (Active MAC Address).
5. Click Restore Original to bring back the original mac.

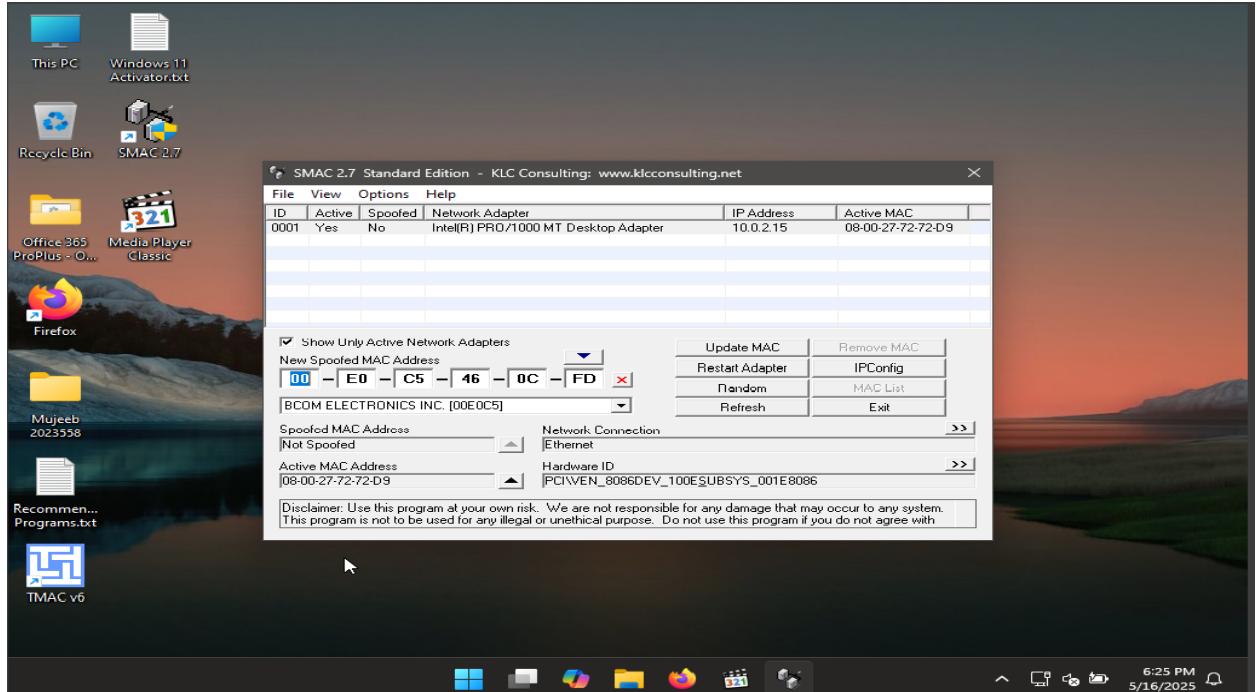


➤ Step 3 (MAC Spoofing by SMAC) :

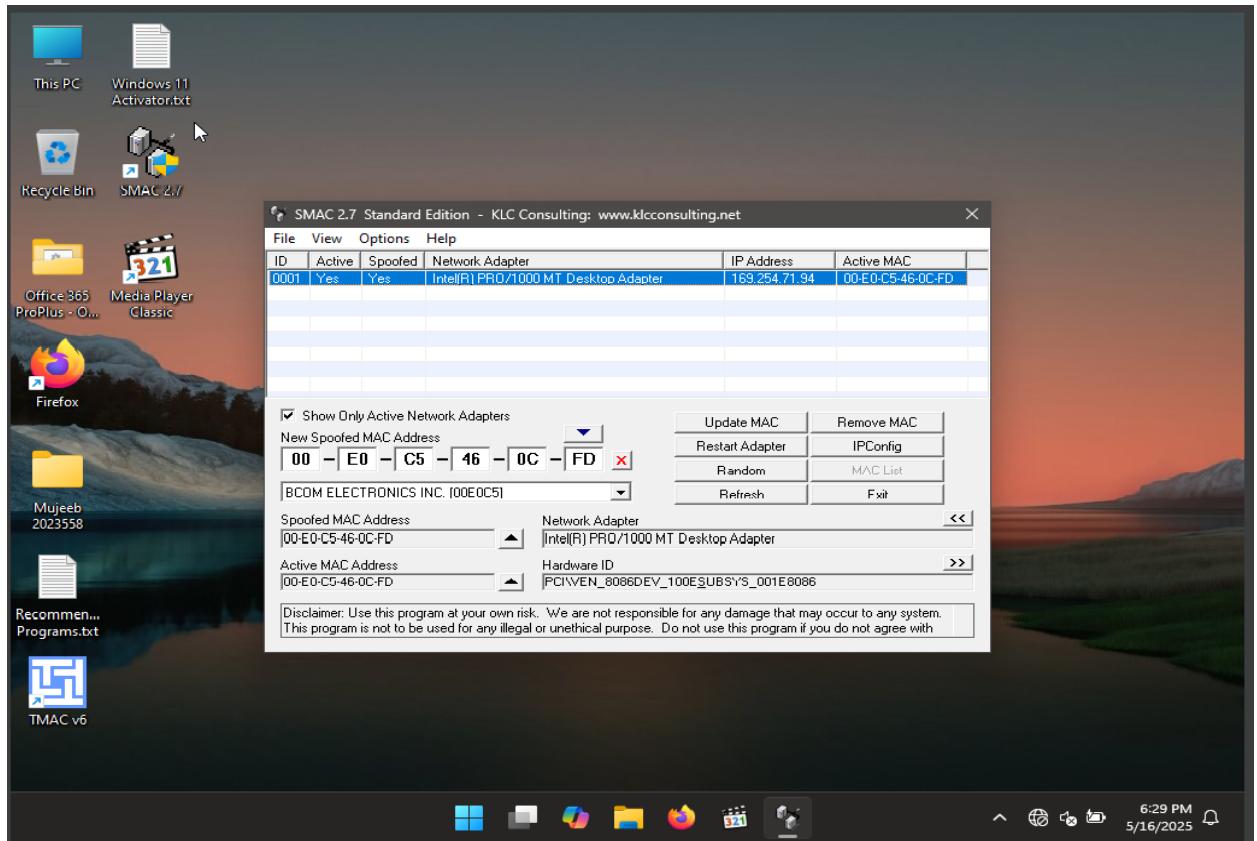
1. Open SMAC , Select the network adapter whose MAC is being spoofed .



2. Click on Random to generate Random MAC address.



3. Click on update MAC (Random MAC will be assigned to adapter).

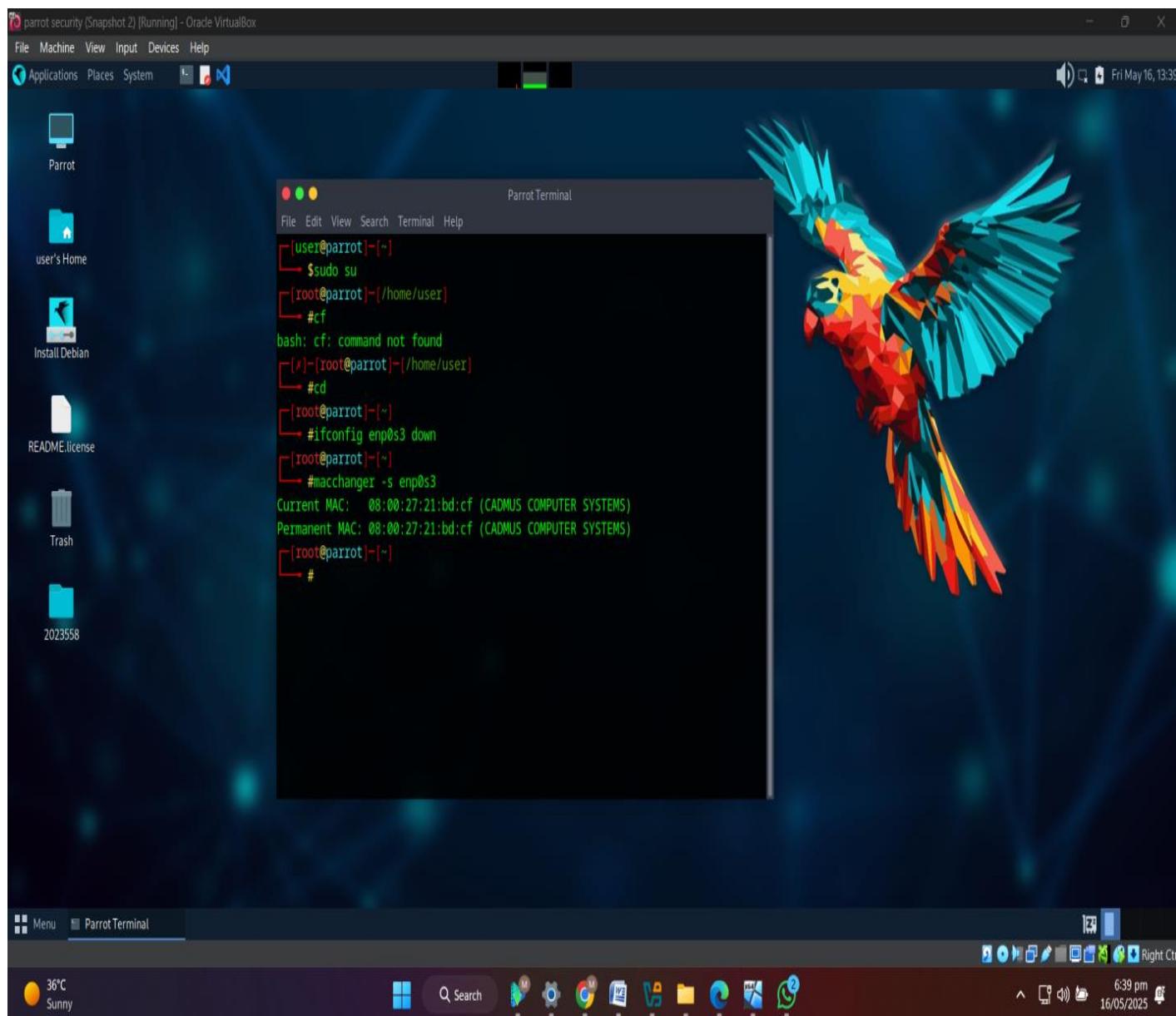


4. Click on Remove MAC to Restore Original.

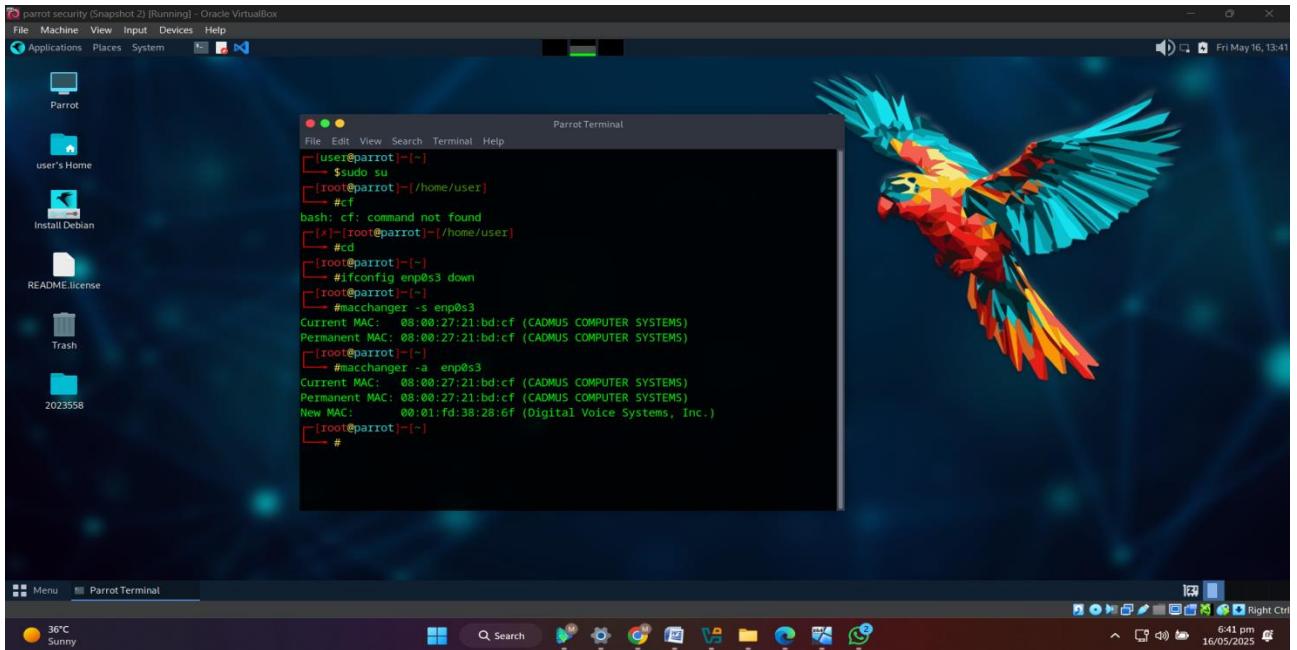
TASK 5 (Spoof a MAC Address of Linux Machine using macchanger):

➤ Step 1: Turn On Parrot Os, Open Terminal.

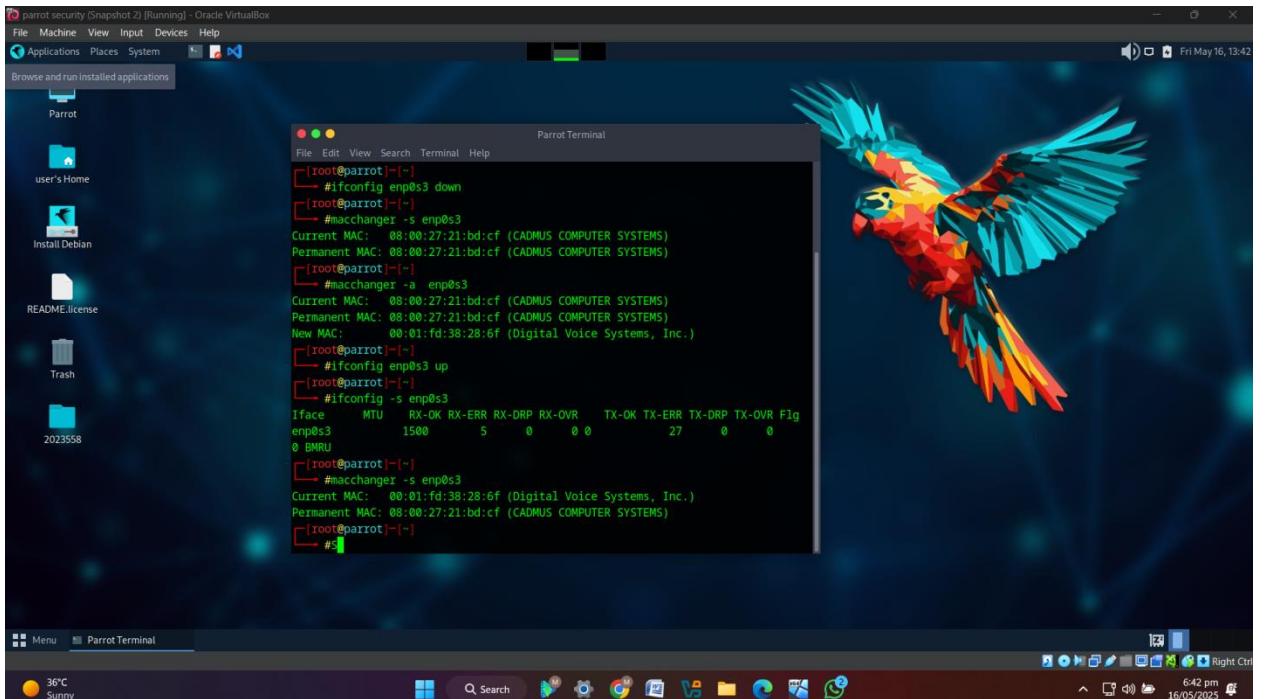
1. Type ifconfig enp0s3 down and press Enter, to turn off the network interface.
2. To see the current MAC address of the Parrot Security machine, type macchanger -s enp0s3 and press Enter.



3. In the terminal type, macchanger -a enp0s3 and press Enter, to set a random vendor MAC address to the network interface.



4. Check the current MAC Address by macchanger –s enp0s3.



5. New MAC is Assigned to the Machine.

LAB 2 (Perform Network Sniffing using Various)

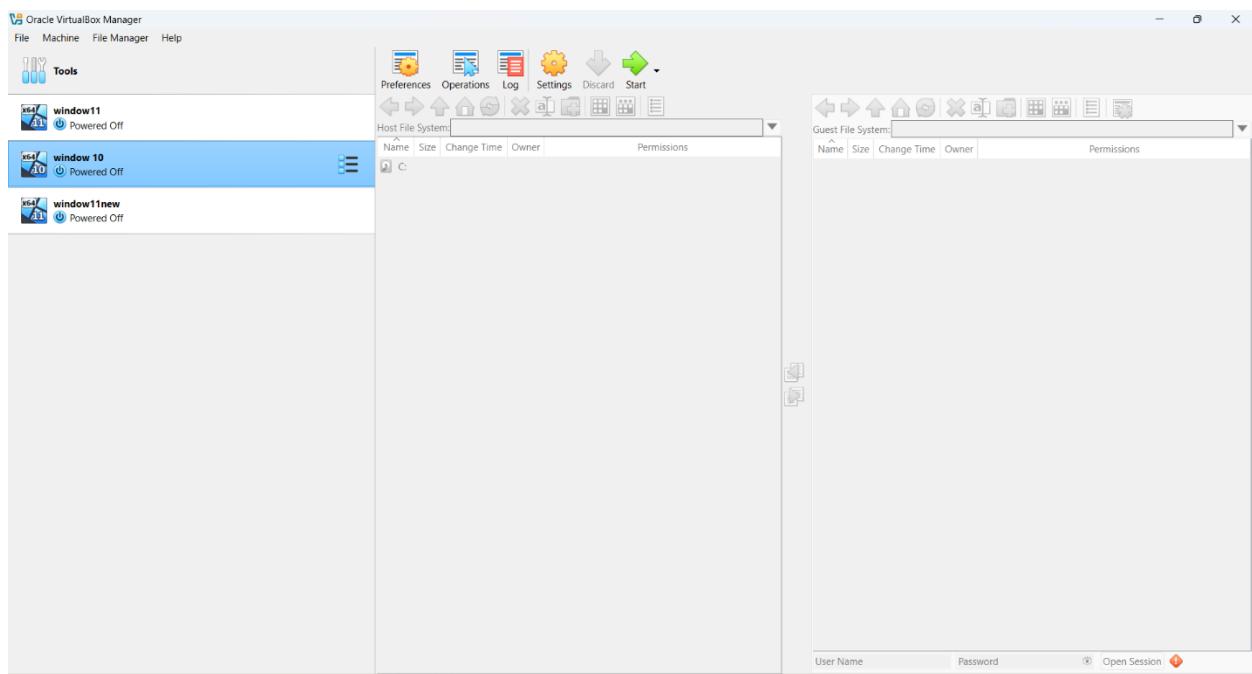
➤ VIRTUAL MACHINE REQUIRED:

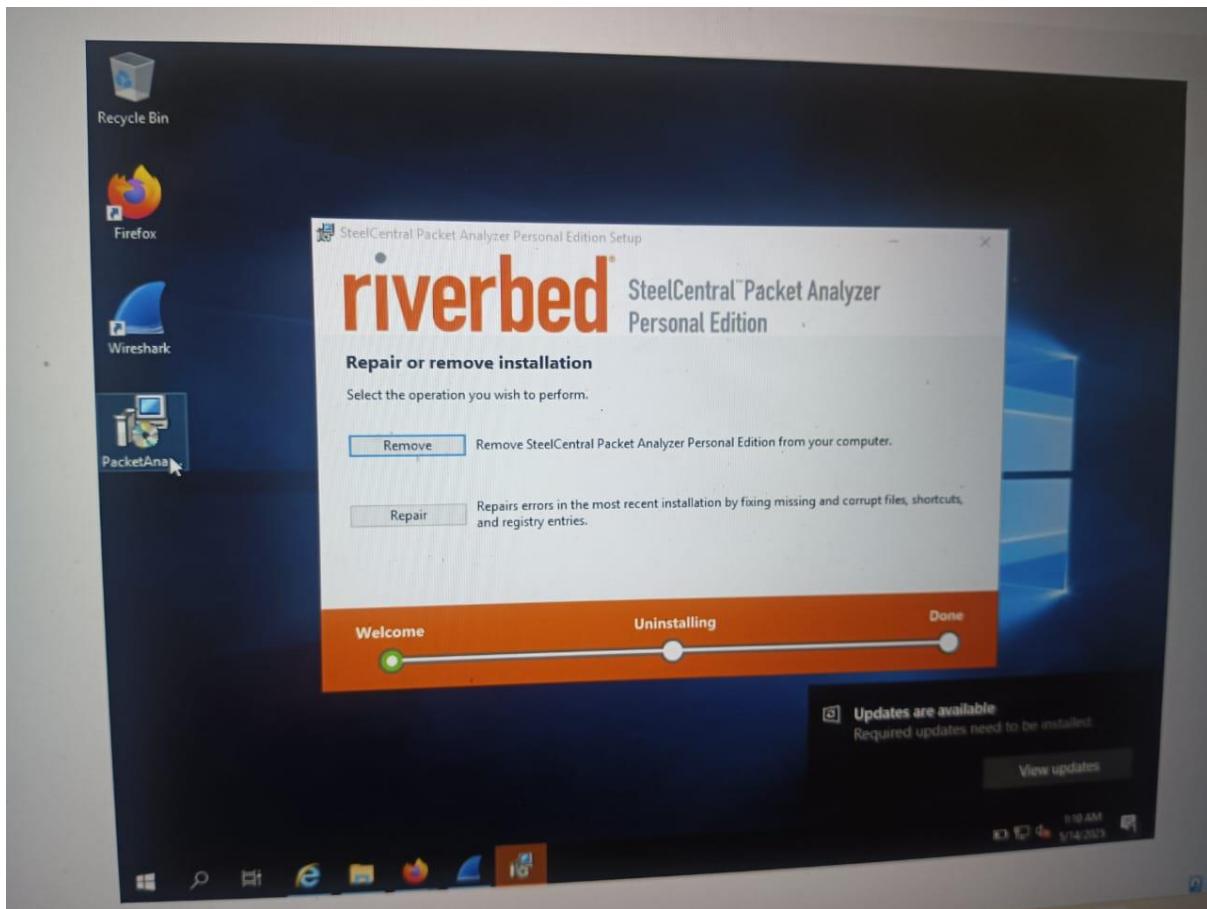
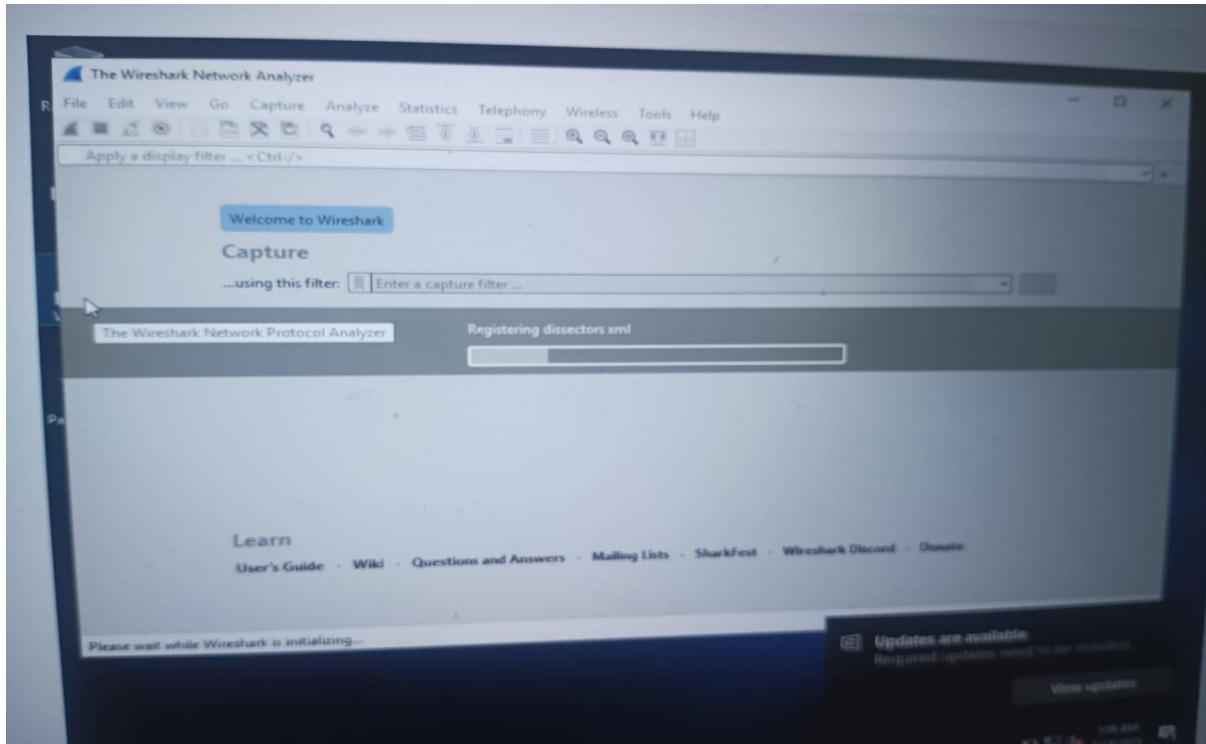
1. WINDOW SERVER 2019
2. WINDOW 11

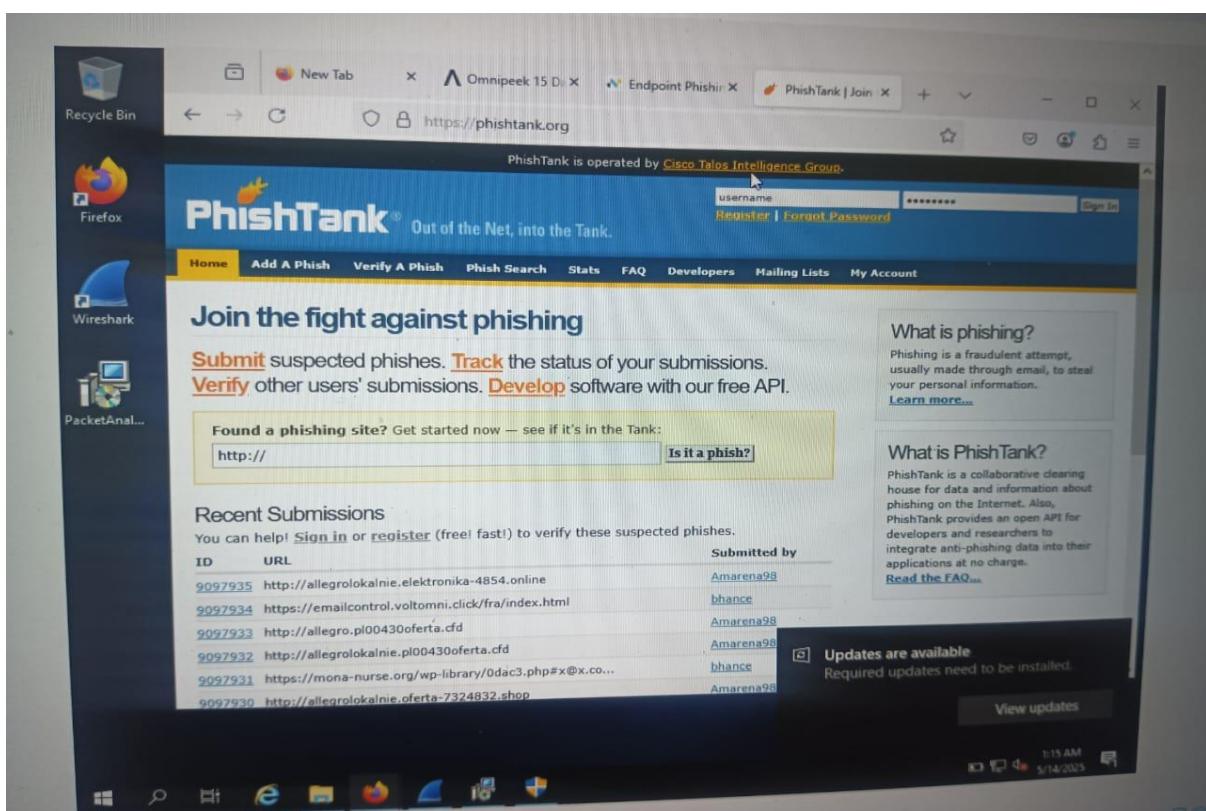
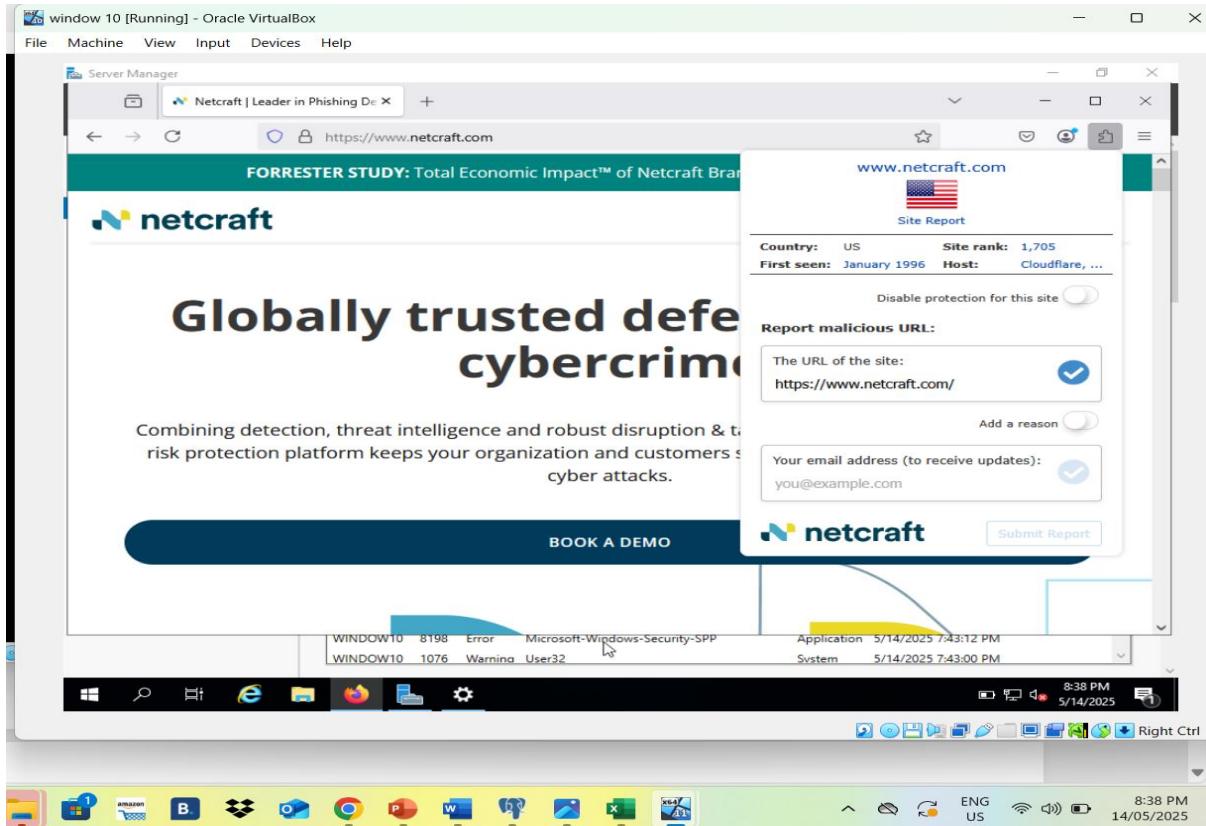
➤ TOOLS REQUIRED:

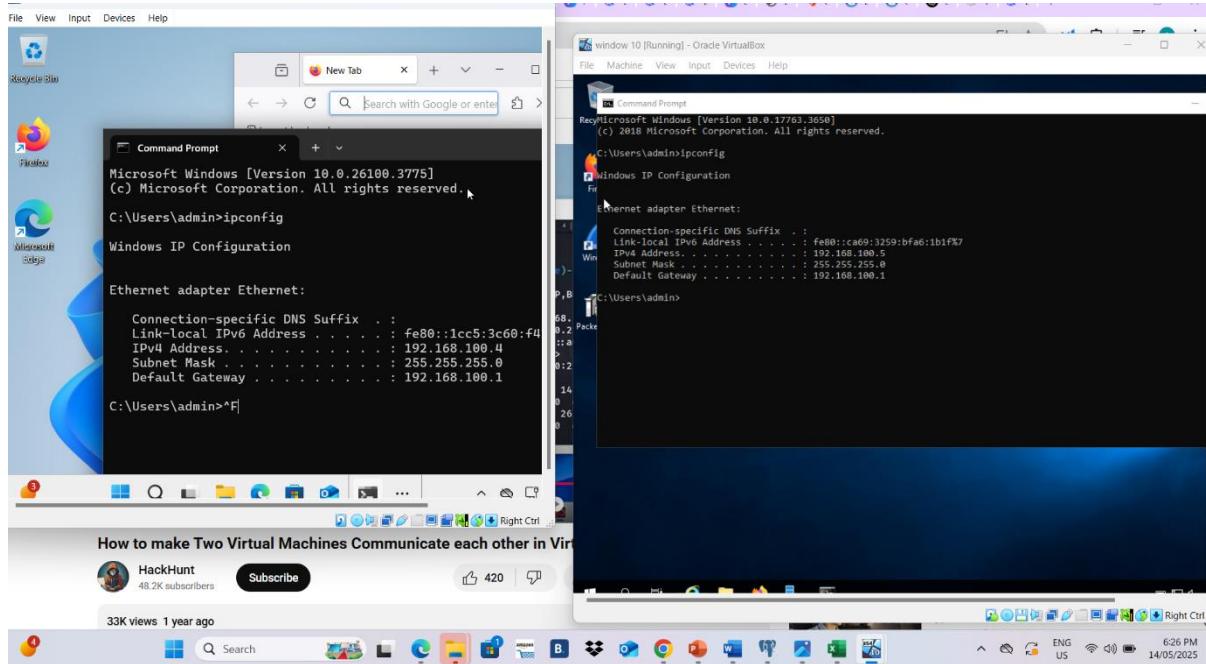
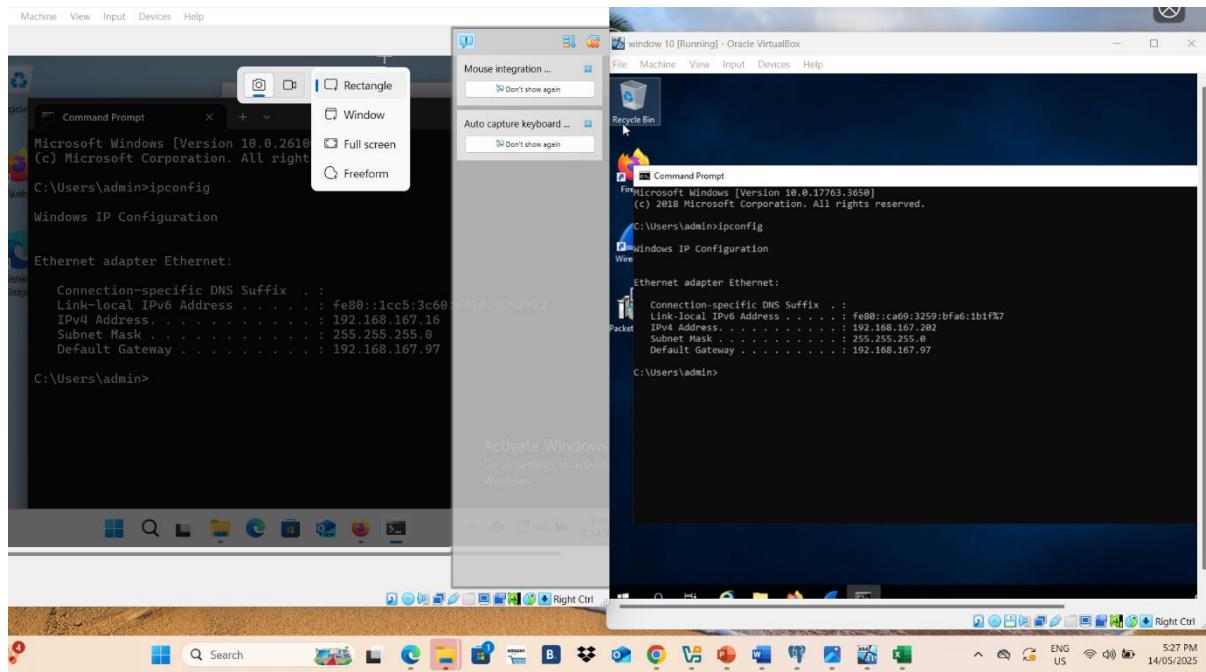
1. WIRESHARK
2. OMNIPEEK
3. PHISHTANK
4. NETCRAFT

➤ SETTING UP VIRTUAL MACHINE AND TOOLS









- **TASK PERFORMANCE:**
- **CONNECTING TWO VIRTUAL MACHINES:**

First, I created the same interface for both VMs, then configured a NAT Network and assigned IP addresses — 192.168.100.4 to one VM and 192.168.100.5 to the other. Finally, I used Command Prompt to successfully ping between them and verify connectivity.

Netcraft is a cybersecurity tool that helps detect phishing, fraudulent, and malicious websites.

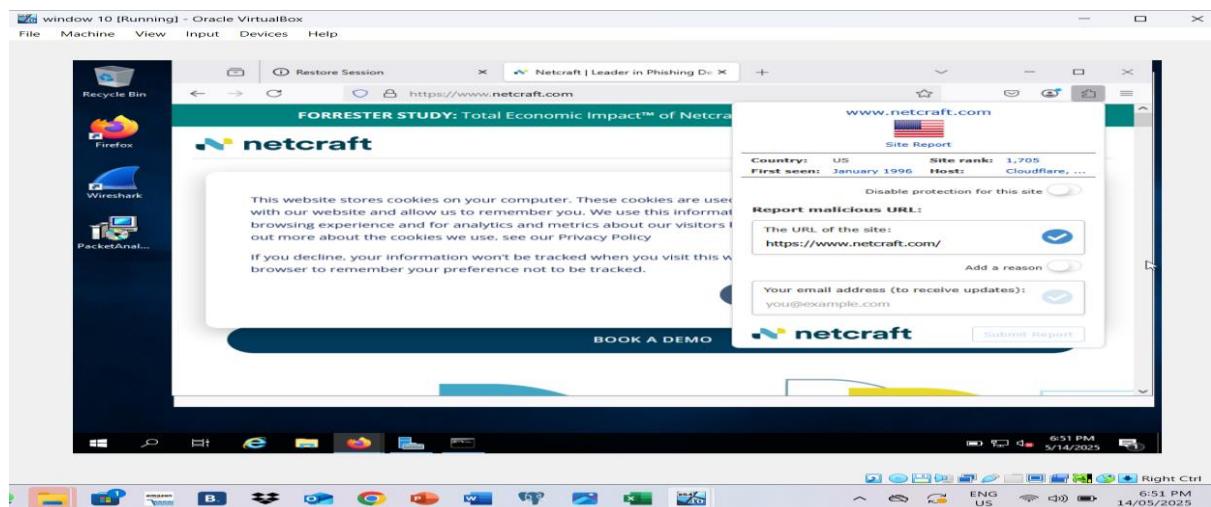
I used the Netcraft extension to check the authenticity of websites by reporting suspicious ones, helping me avoid phishing attacks.

- **OBJECTIVES:**

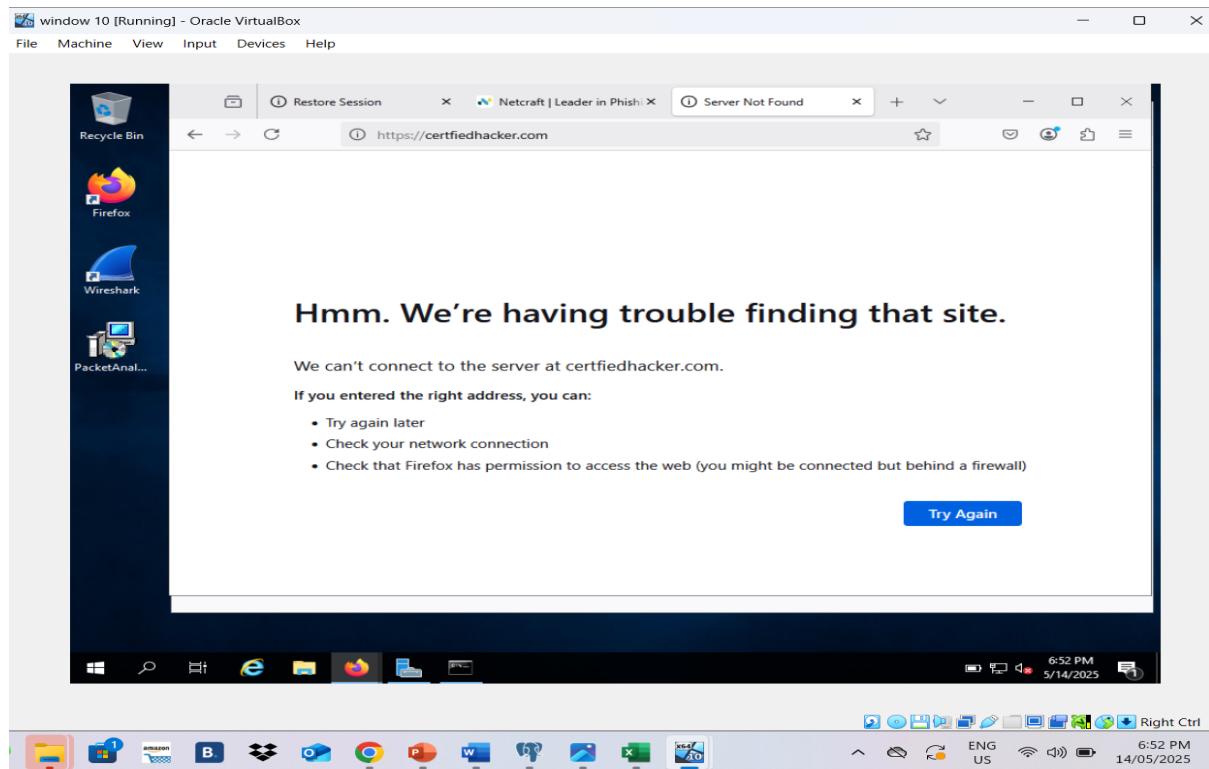
- *Use Netcraft to check site reports and verify website authenticity.*
- *Use PhishTank to check if a site is flagged as phishing.*
- *Report suspicious websites to PhishTank for public safety.*
- *Help users avoid fake or phishing websites.*
- *Promote safe browsing through regular site verification.*

TASK PERFORMANCE:

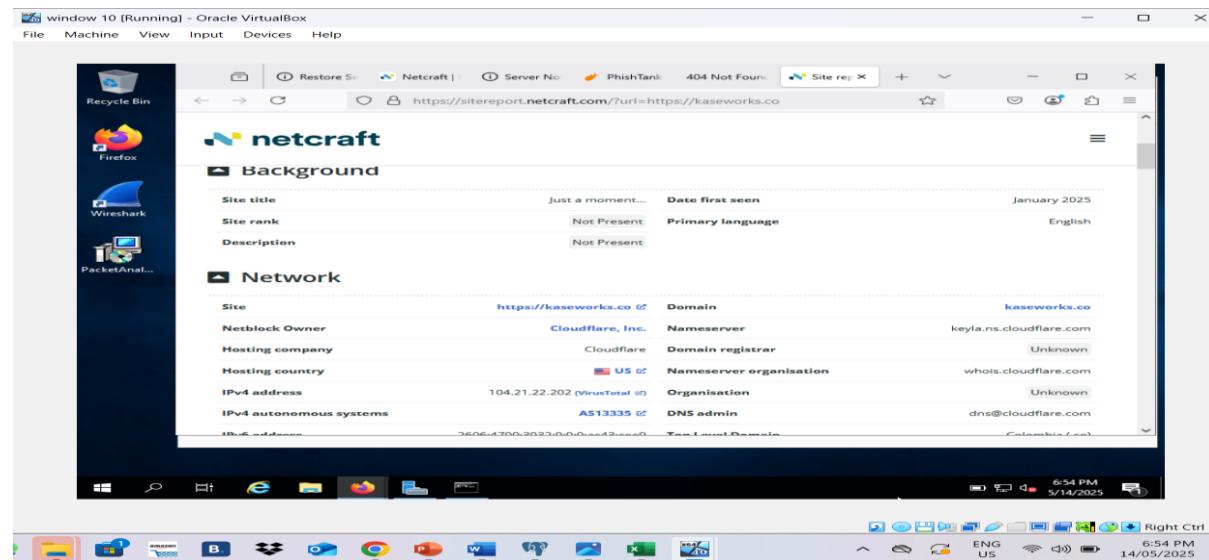
- 1) First I downloaded netcraft extension on my window.

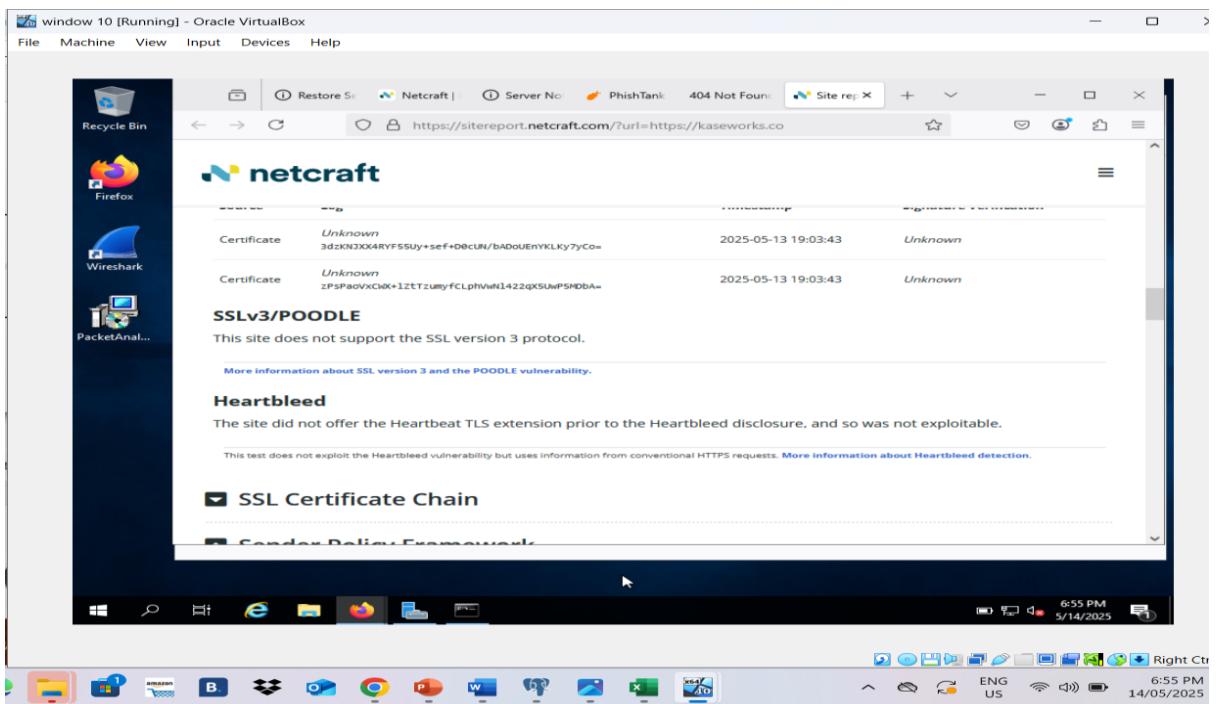


2) Then I opened any specific website to check it.

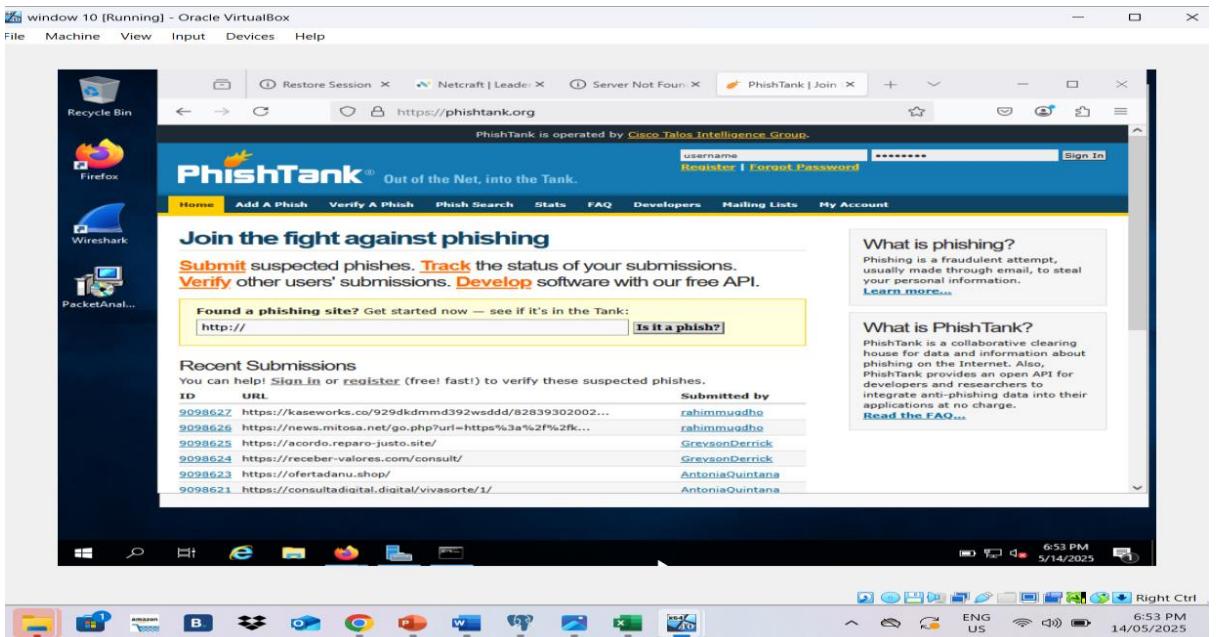


3) I used an **authentic website** and clicked on **Site Report**, where I found details such as the **network's geographical location** and the **protocol used by the website**.





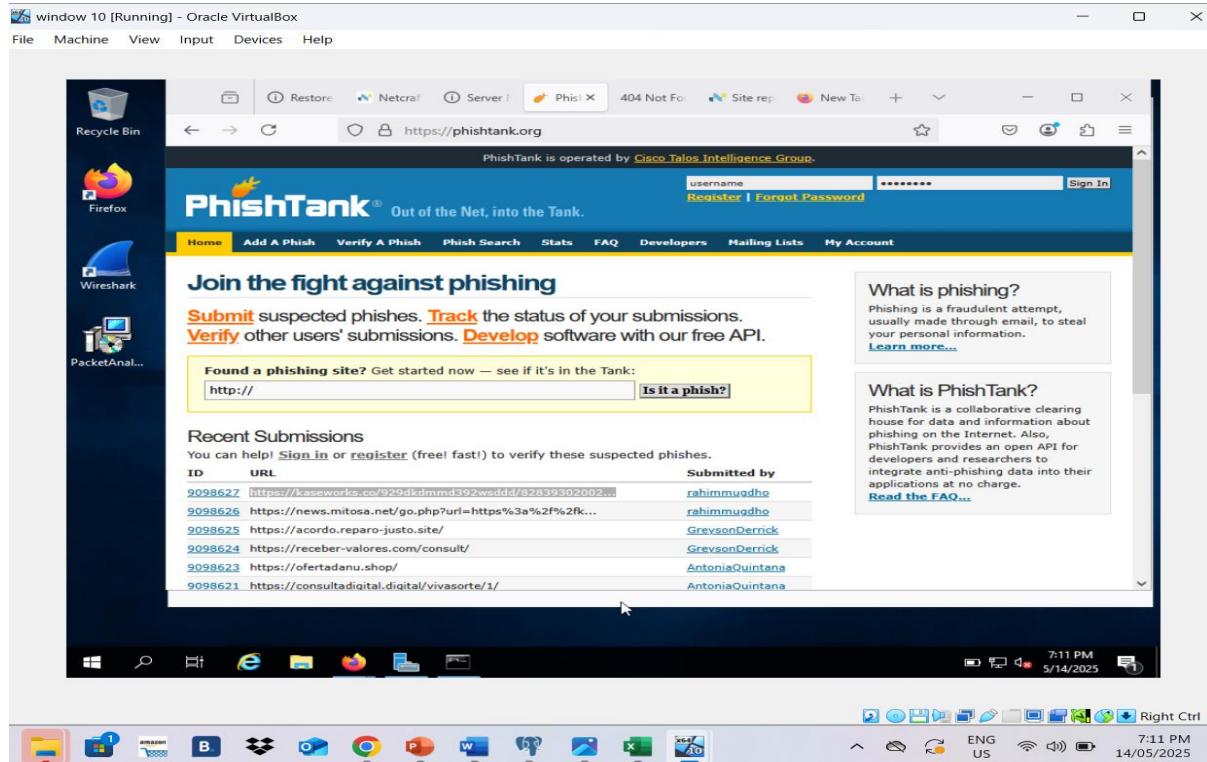
4) Then I found a **phishing** site from the **PhishTank** website and tried to **report** the site using **Netcraft**.



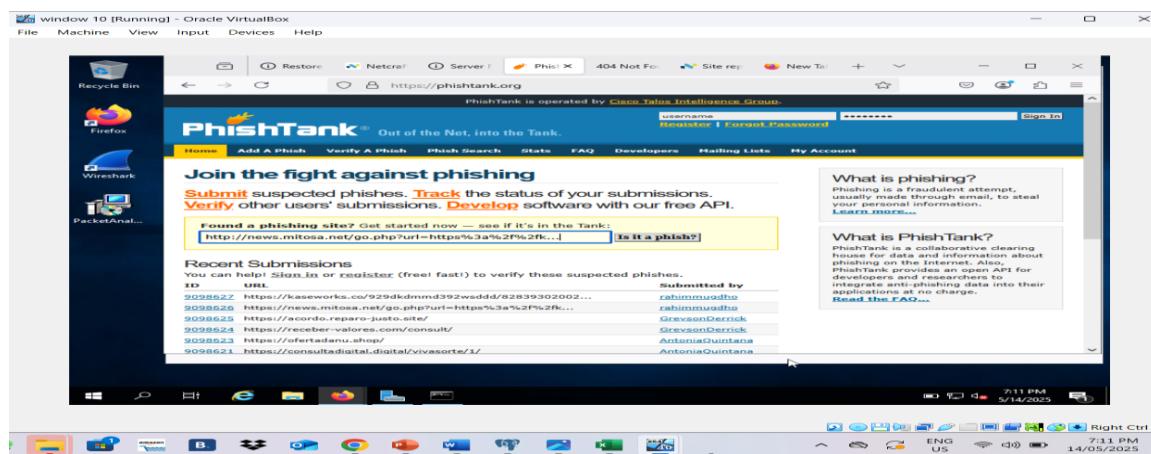


- **Phish Tank** is a community-based tool that identifies and tracks phishing websites.
- I used Phish Tank to search suspicious links and confirm if they were reported as phishing, helping me stay safe online.
- Using **PhishTank** to analyze whether a website is **authentic or fake** to stay safe from sharing personal data.

1. opened the PhishTank website and found many websites submitted by others as phishing websites.



- 2) Then I picked one website that seemed fake or not authentic to check if it was a **phishing site** or not.
- 3) I inserted the website into the **search bar** and clicked on the '**Is it a Phish?**'



4) Then it told me whether the site was **phishing or not**, so I could **avoid using or browsing** such websites.

The screenshot shows the PhishTank website interface. At the top, it says "PhishTank is operated by Cisco Talos Intelligence Group." Below the header, there's a login form with fields for "username" and "password", and buttons for "Sign In", "Register", and "Forgot Password". The main content area displays a submission titled "Submission #2205890 is currently offline". It includes a timestamp: "Submitted Jan 2nd 2014 10:56 AM by [knack](#) (Current time: Apr 12th 2022 10:27 AM UTC)". Below this, the URL "http://be-ride.ru/confirm/" is listed. A large red banner indicates "Verified: Is a phish" with a 100% confidence level. It also notes "As verified by [buaya caulch](#) NotBuyingIt phishhacker". Below the banner, there's a progress bar showing 100% completion for "Is a phish" and 0% for "Is NOT a phish". There are several navigation links: "Screenshot of site", "View site in frame", "View technical details", and "View site in new window". A "Log in" button is also present. The bottom of the page shows a Windows taskbar with various icons and the date/time "14/05/2025 7:13 PM".

➤ Importance of Cyber Tools (Netcraft & PhishTank)

- **Detect Phishing Attacks:** Identify fake or malicious websites trying to steal personal data.
- **Verify Website Authenticity:** Help confirm if a website is genuine or suspicious.
- **Protect User Privacy:** Prevent users from sharing sensitive information on unsafe sites.
- **Raise Cyber Awareness:** Educate users about online threats and safe browsing.
- **Contribute to Public Safety:** Reporting phishing sites helps protect the global online community.
- **Prevent Financial Loss & Data Theft:** Early detection avoids scams and frauds.

➤ LAB 3 (Detecting Network Sniffing in Promiscuous Mode and Switch-Based Network)

- **Objective:**

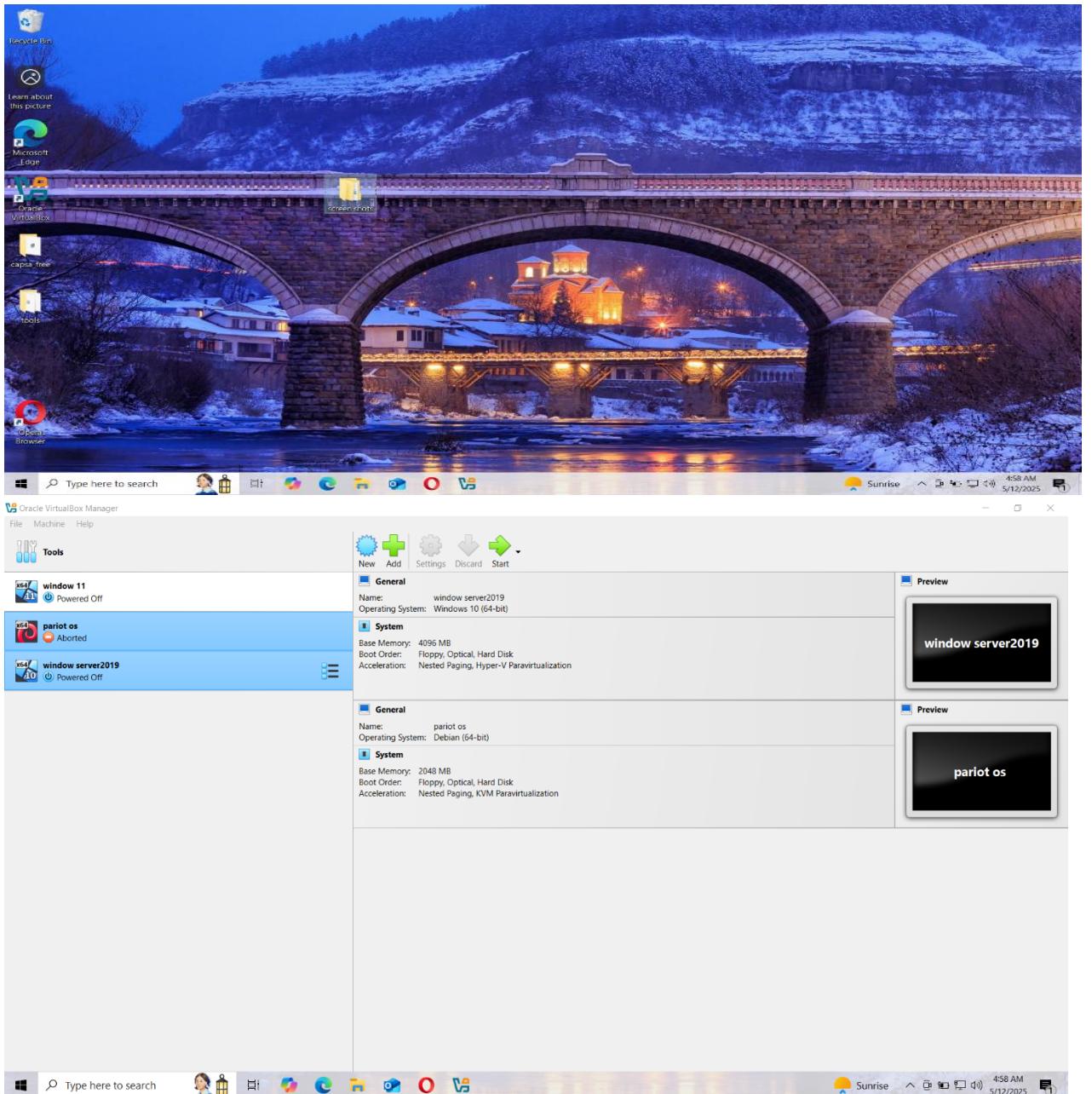
The objective of this lab is to detect network sniffing activities, specifically ARP poisoning and promiscuous mode, in a switch-based network using tools like Wireshark, Cain & Abel, and Nmap. Network sniffing is a common attack where an attacker captures network traffic to extract sensitive information. Detecting such activities helps in securing the network against unauthorized access.

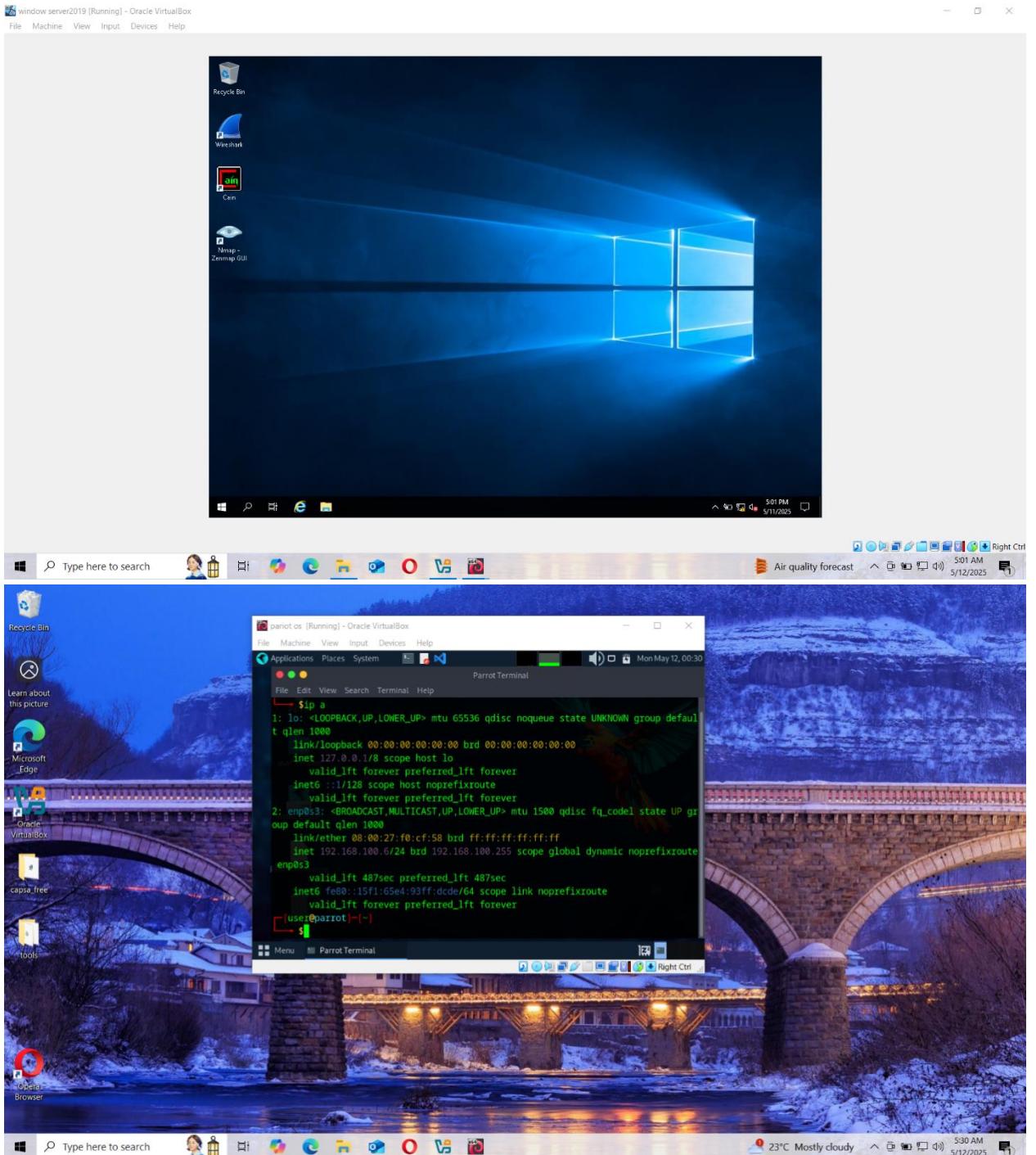
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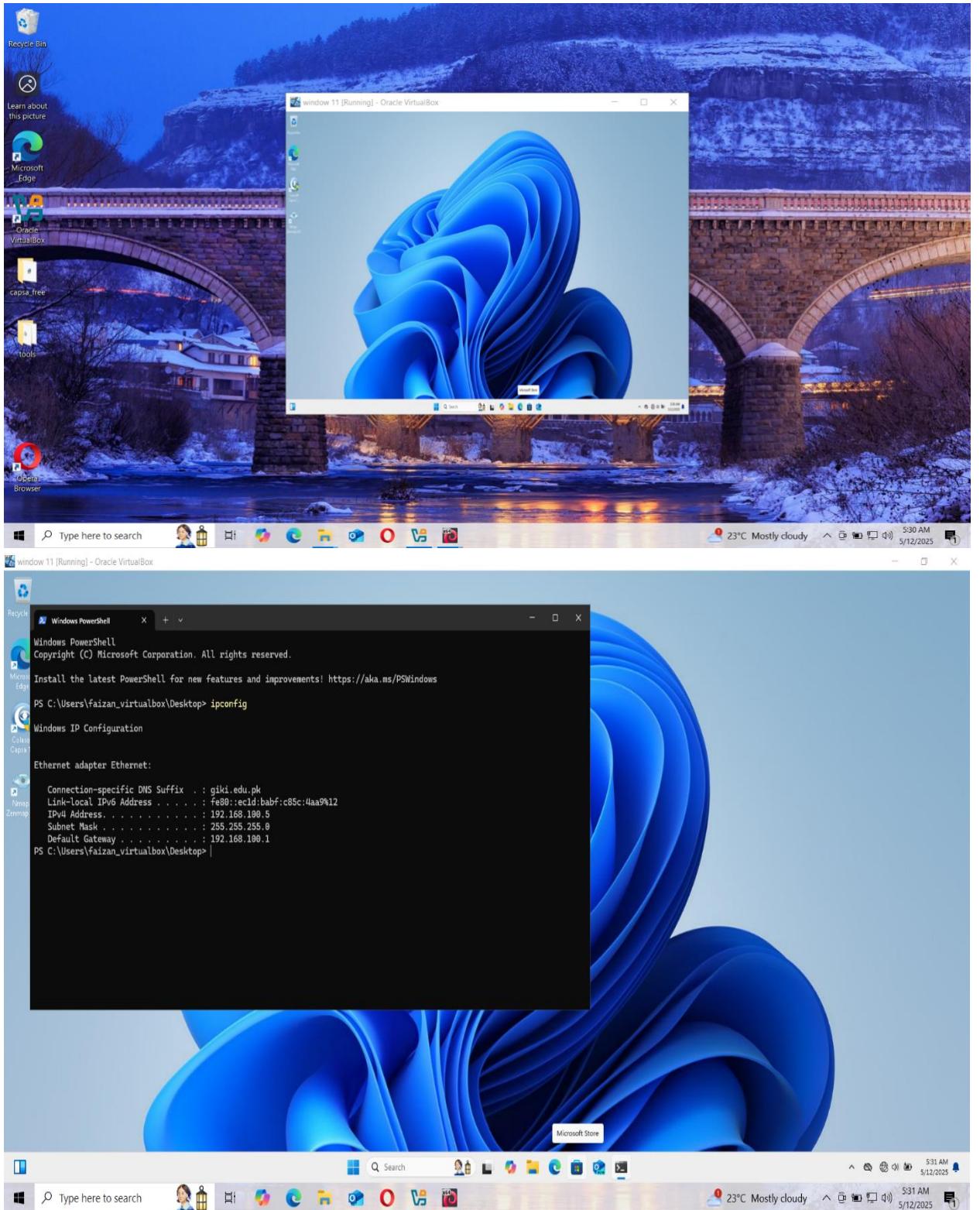
- Tools Used:
 - Wireshark (Network Traffic Analyzer)
 - Cain & Abel (ARP Poisoning)
 - Nmap (Promiscuous Mode Detection)
- Virtual Machines:
 - Windows 11
 - Windows Server 2019
 - Parrot Security

Task 1: Detecting ARP Poisoning and Promiscuous Mode in a Switch-Based Network

Screenshots of IP configuration different machines .





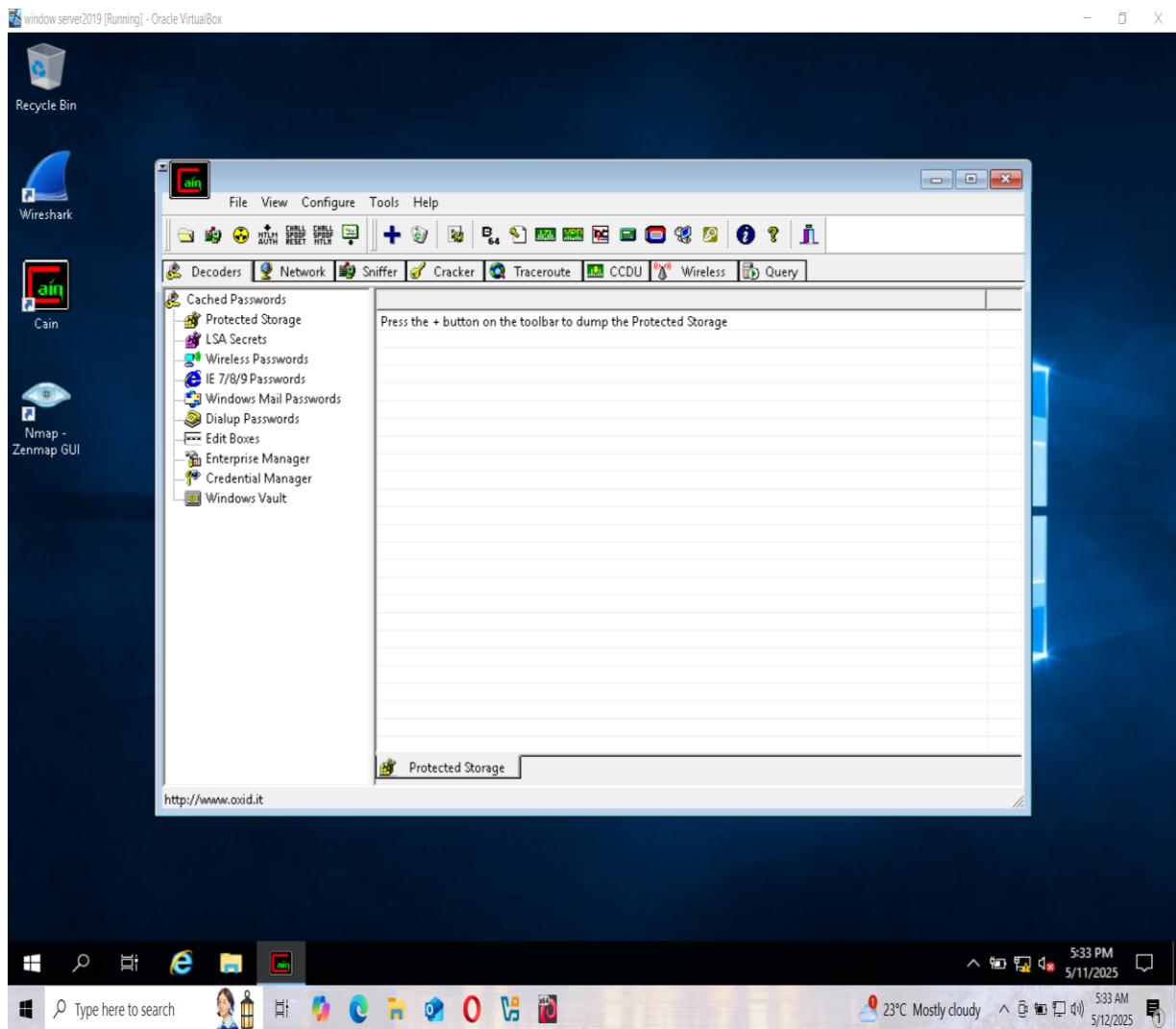


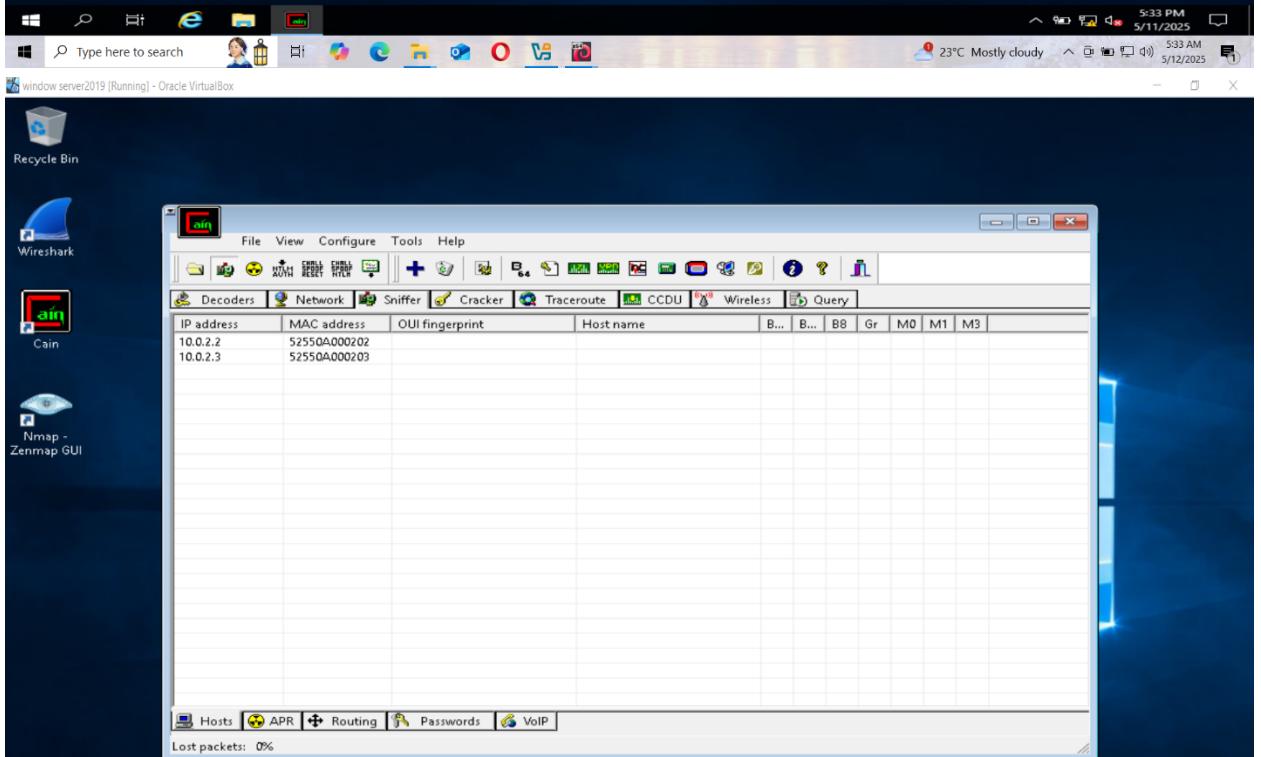
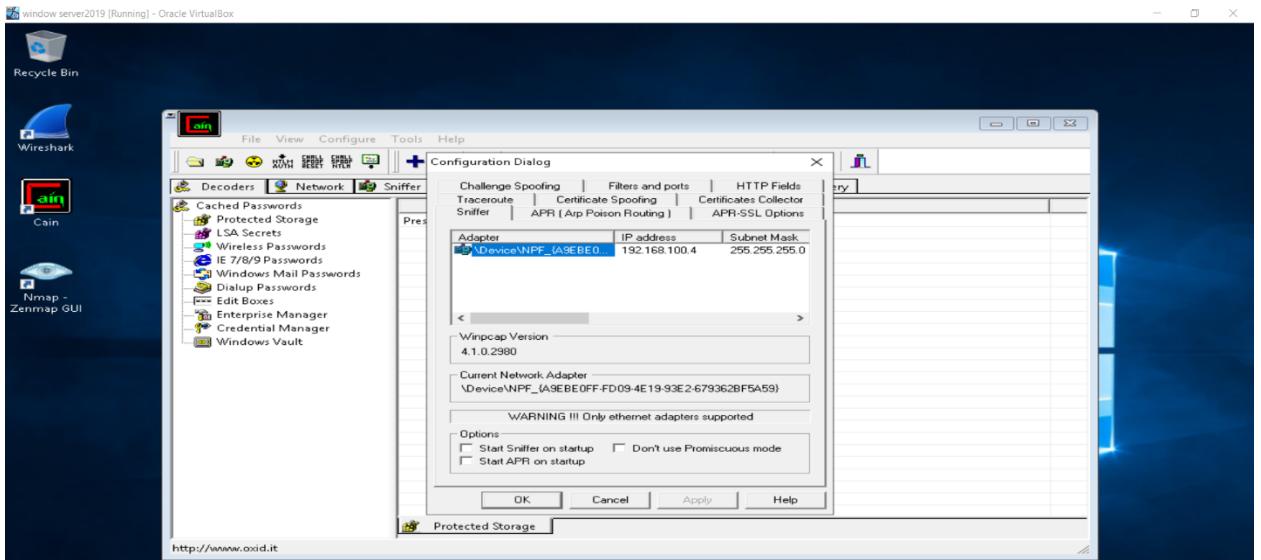
➤ Step 1: Launch Cain & Abel for ARP Poisoning Detection.

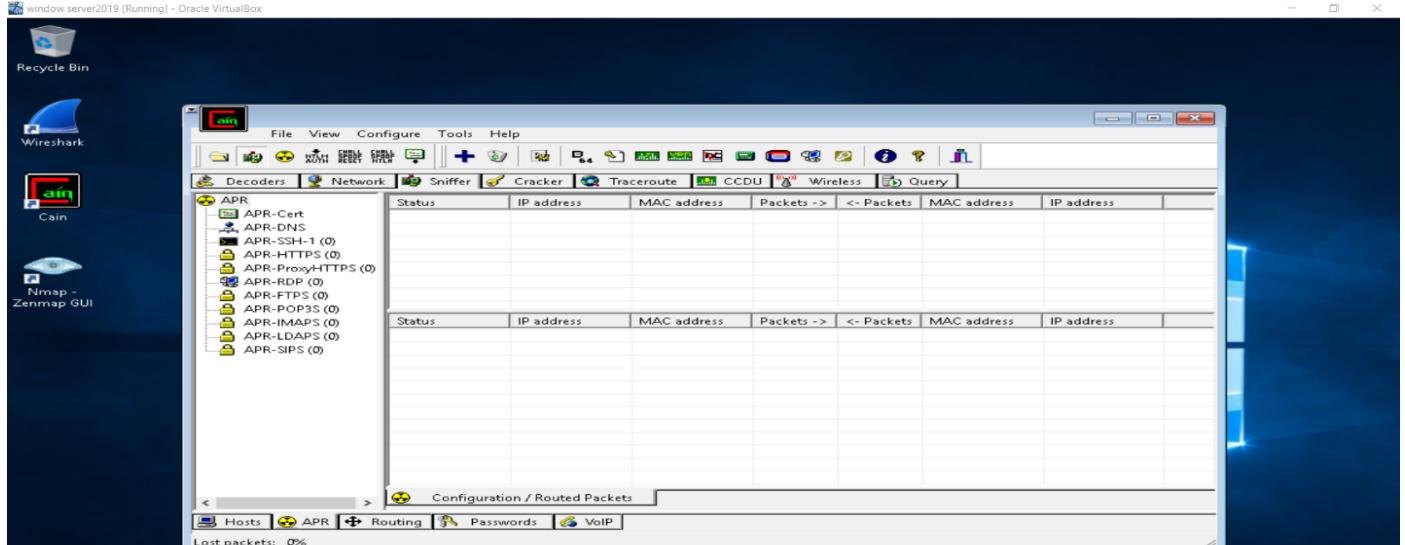
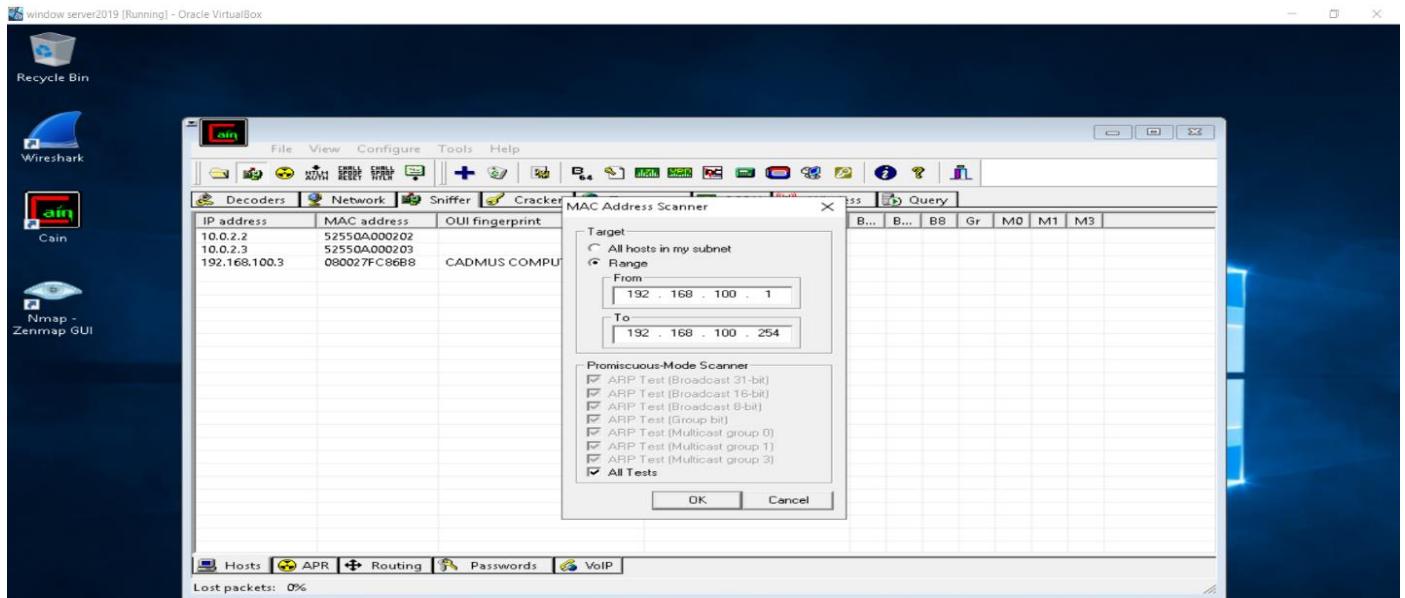
1. Open Cain & Abel on Windows Server 2019.
2. Start the Sniffer to capture network traffic.

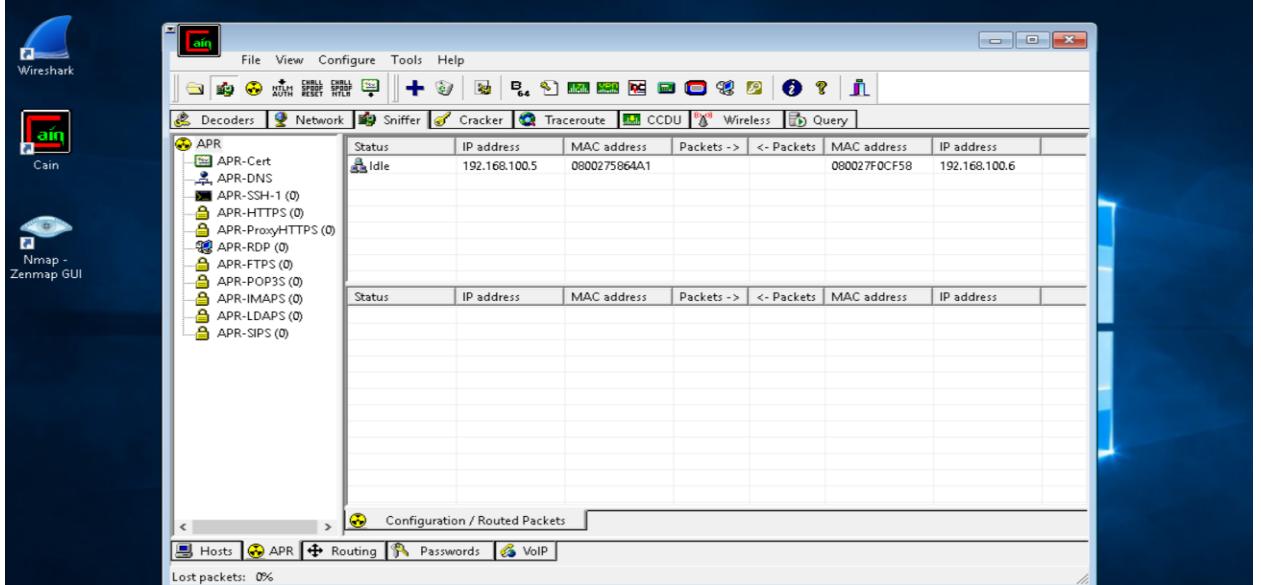
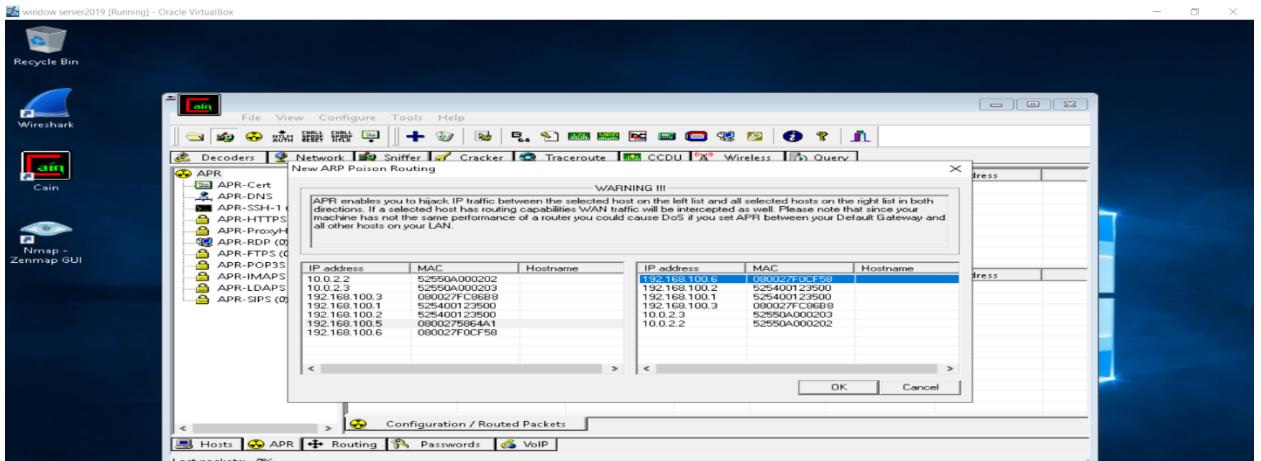
Sniffing tools like Cain & Abel intercept packets in promiscuous mode, allowing detection of ARP spoofing.

3. Scan MAC Addresses to identify connected hosts.
 - Why? This helps in mapping IP-MAC relationships to detect anomalies.



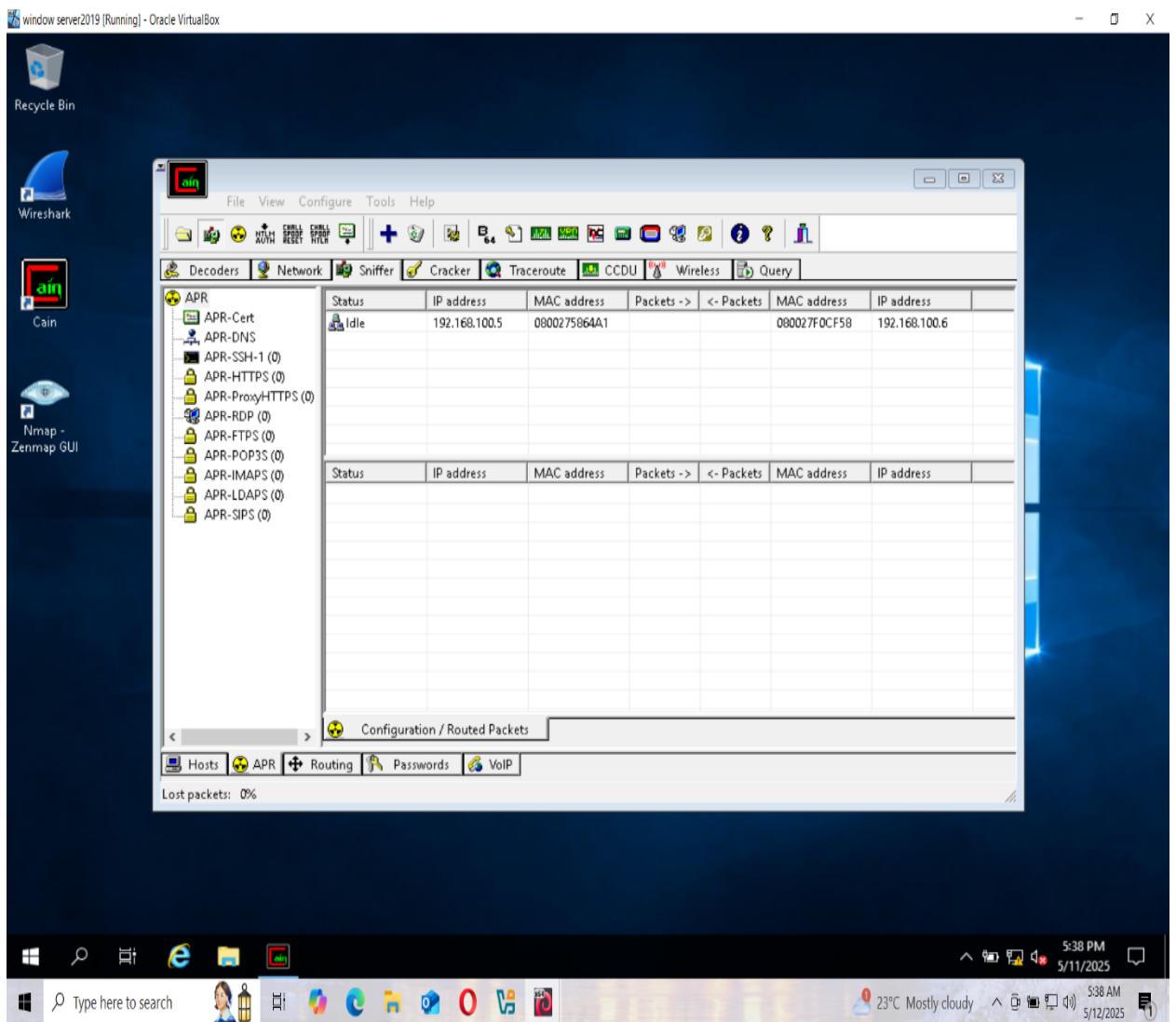


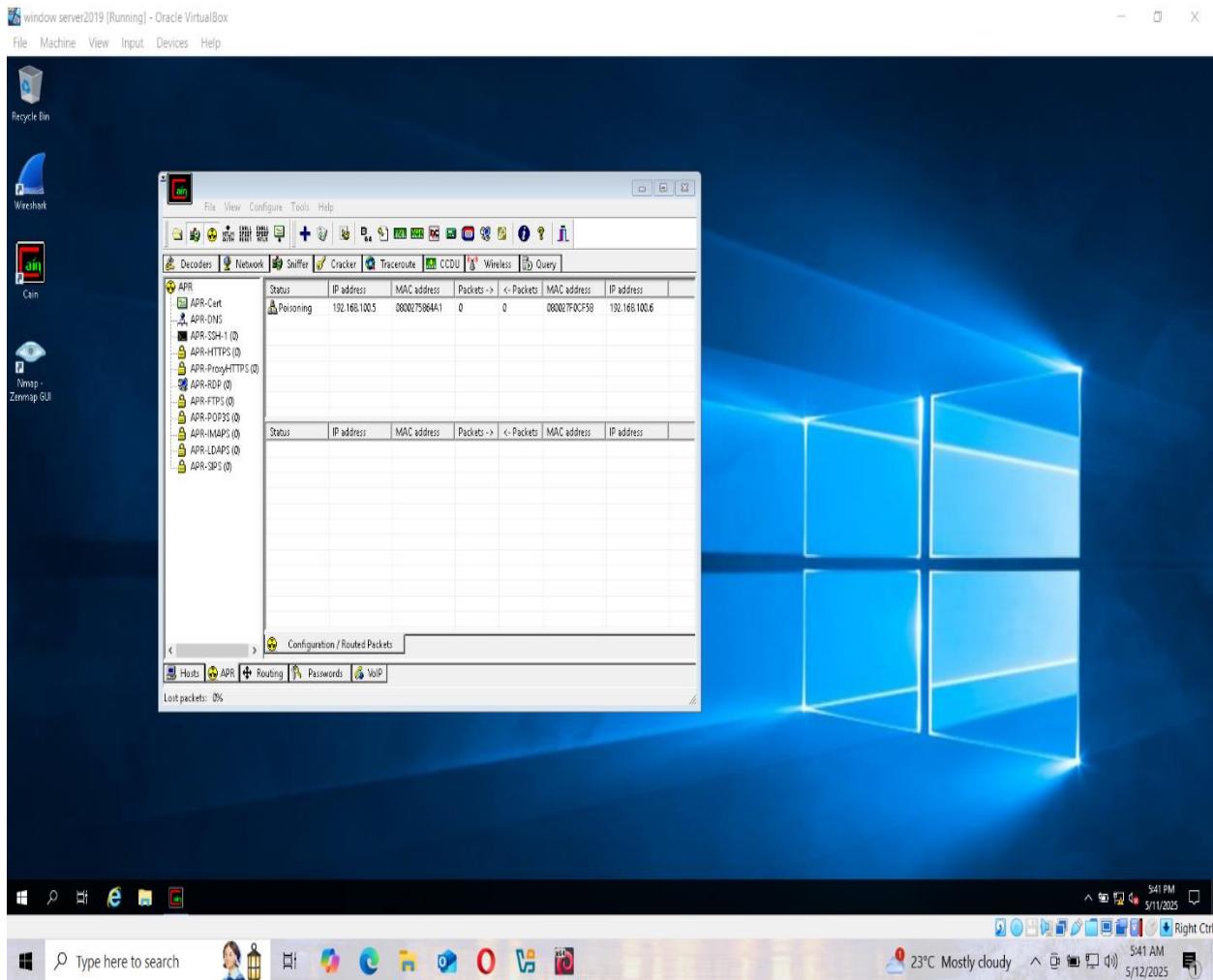




➤ Step 2: Perform ARP Poisoning Attack

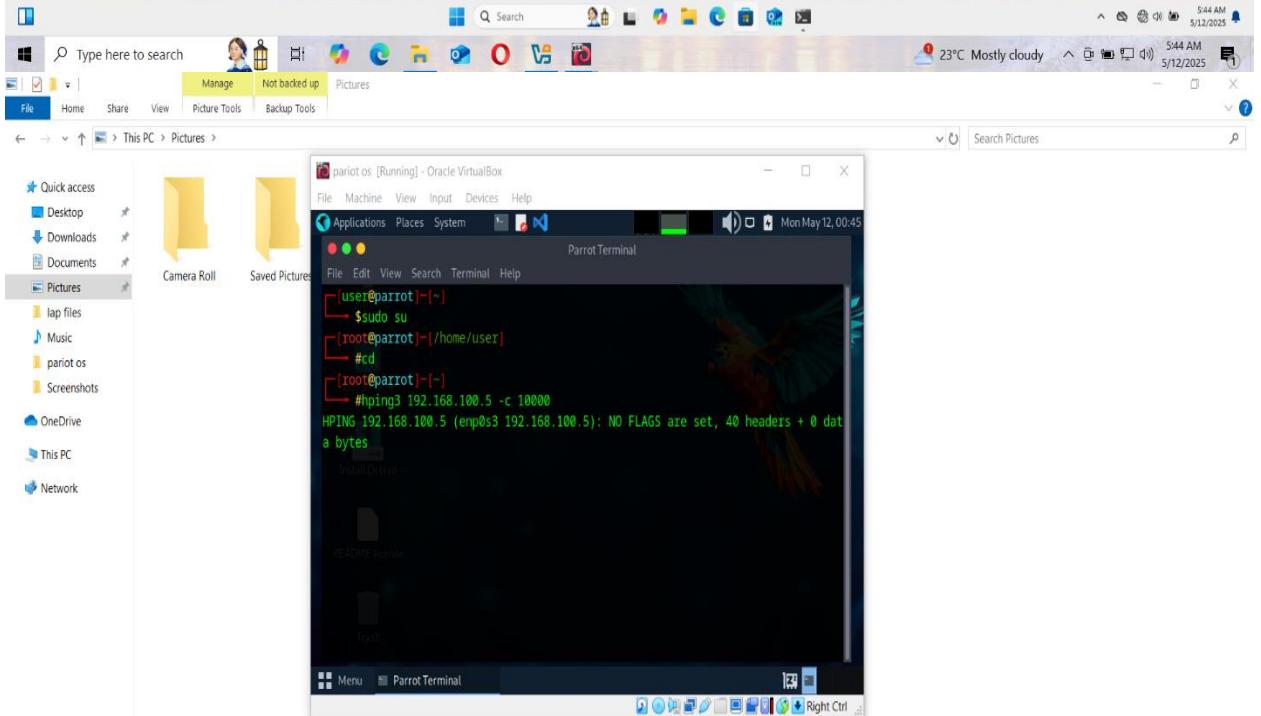
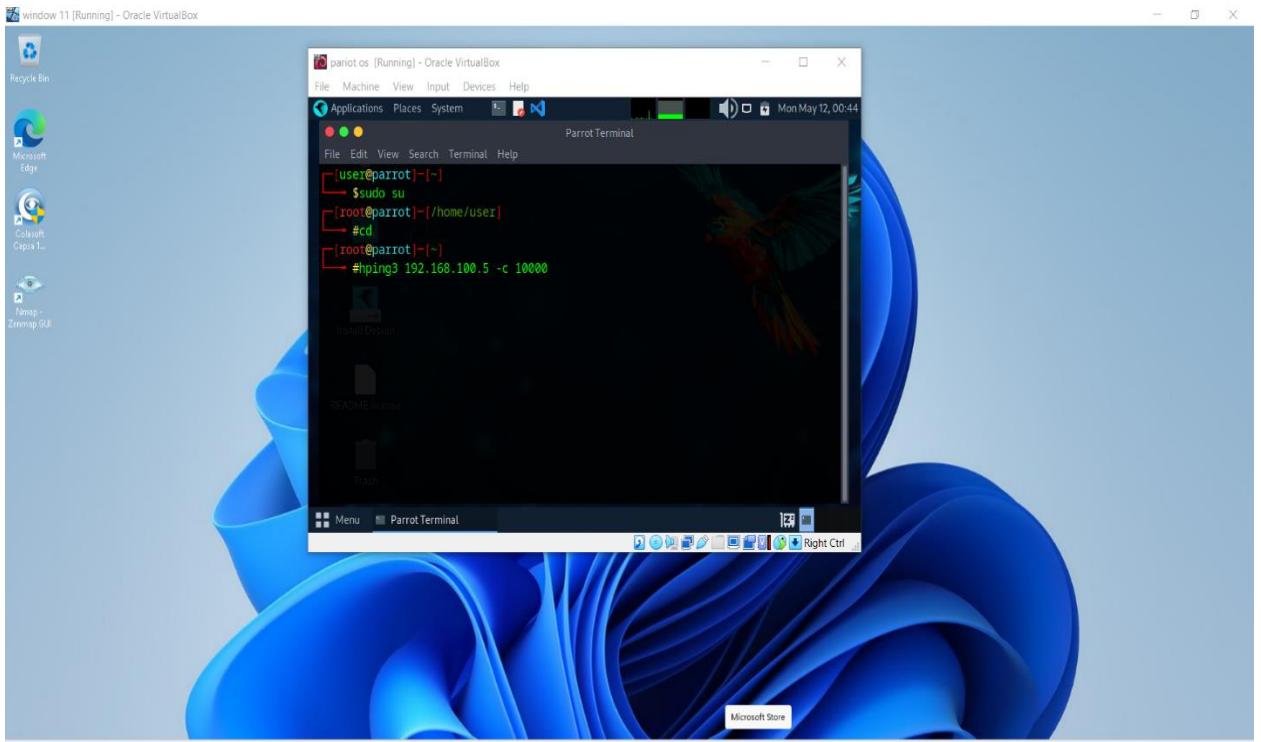
1. Select Target IPs (Windows 11 and Parrot Security).
2. Activate ARP Poisoning to redirect traffic.
 - Why? ARP poisoning tricks devices into sending data to the attacker instead of the legitimate destination.

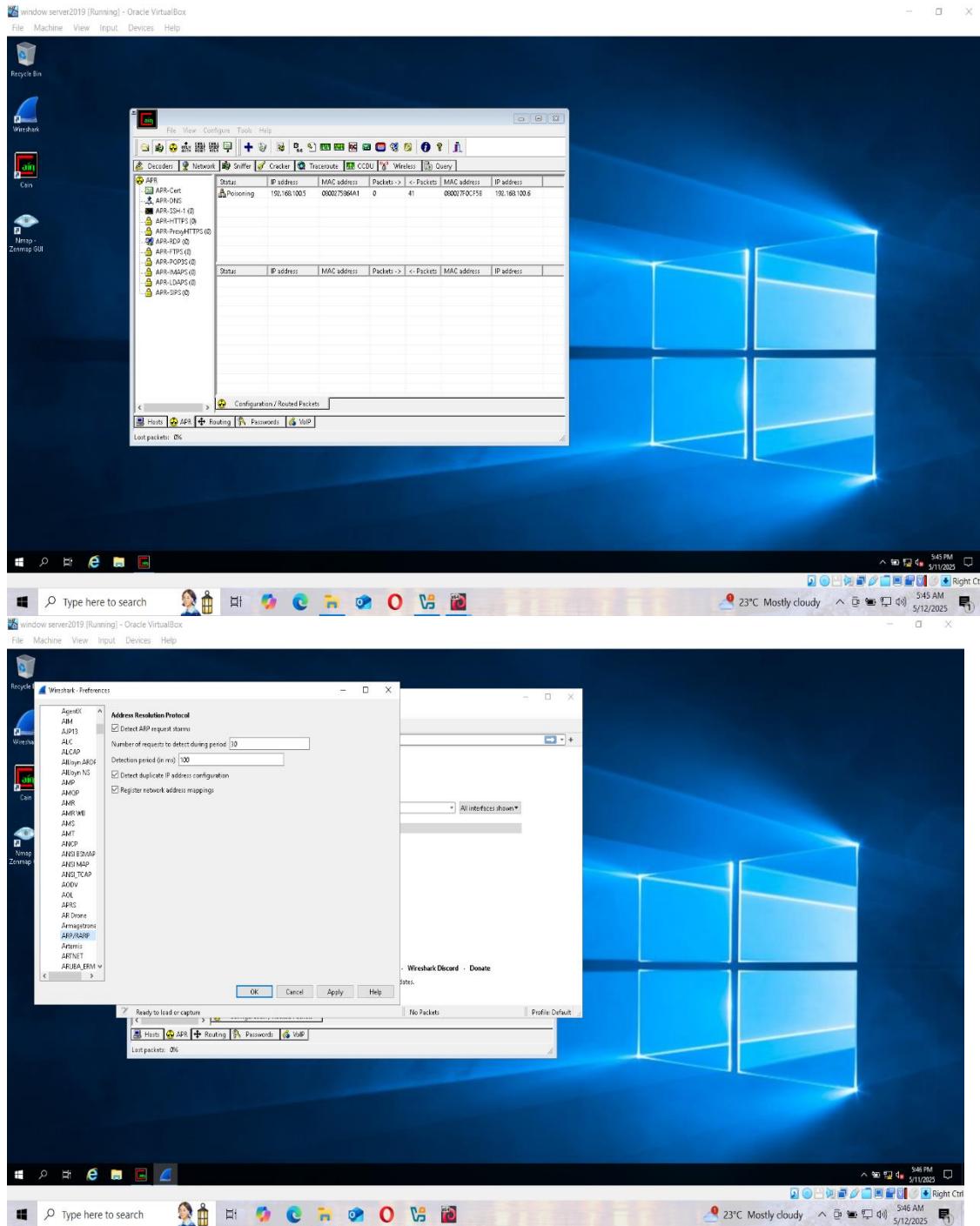


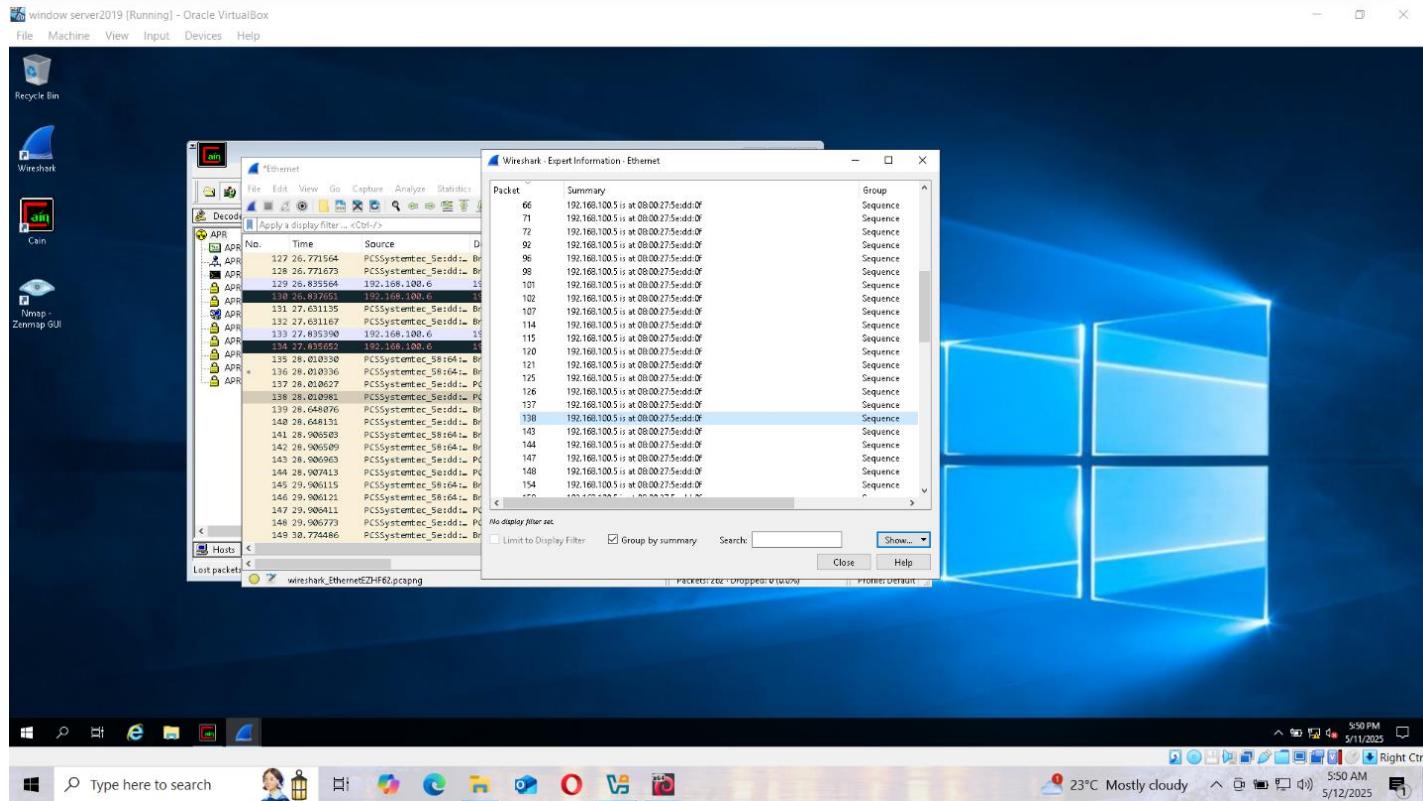
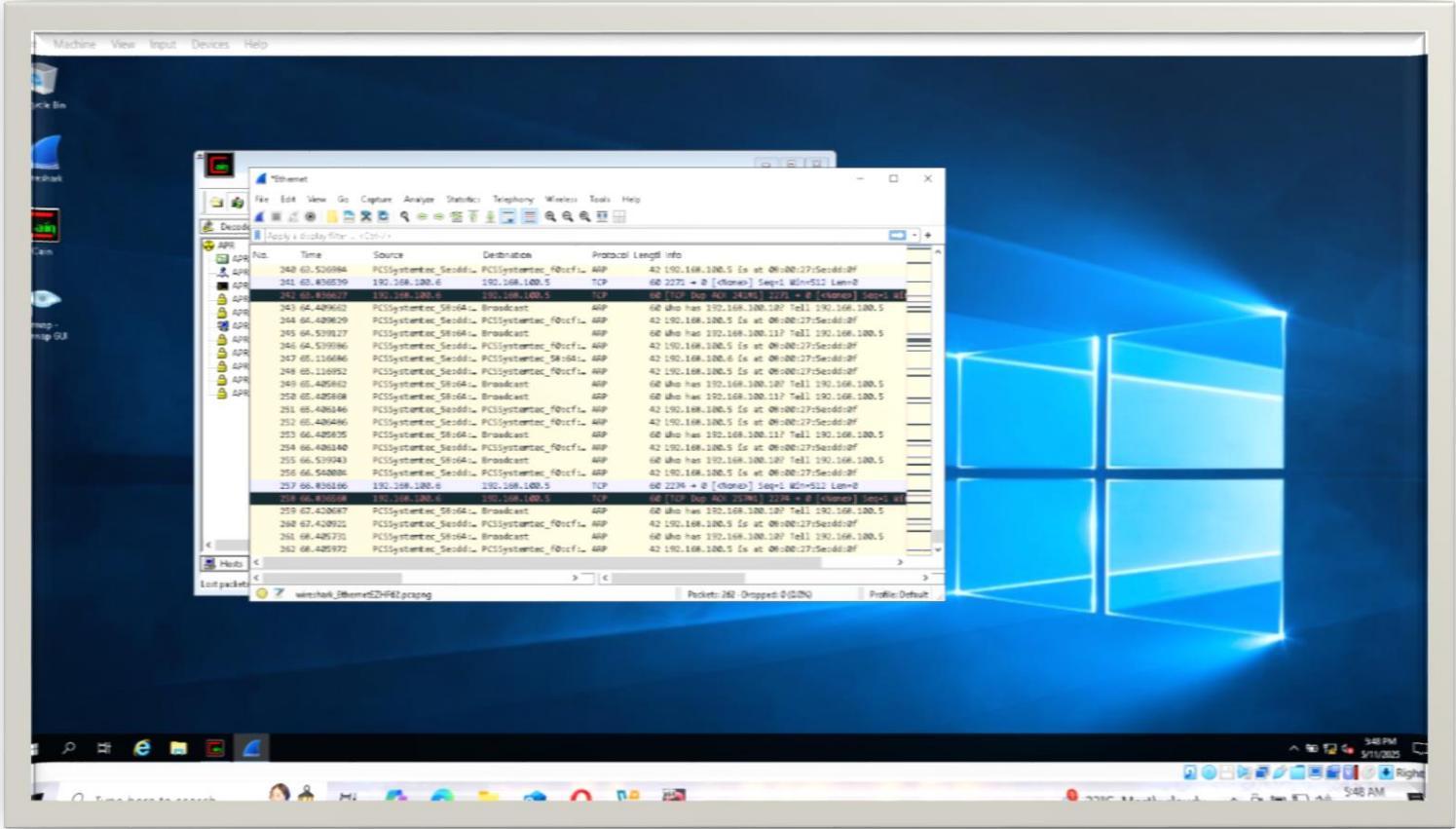


Step 3: Detect ARP Poisoning Using Wireshark

1. Open Wireshark on Windows Server 2019.
 2. Filter for ARP Packets (arp filter).
 3. Look for Duplicate IP-MAC Entries (indicating ARP spoofing).
 - o Why? Legitimate networks should not have multiple MACs for the same IP



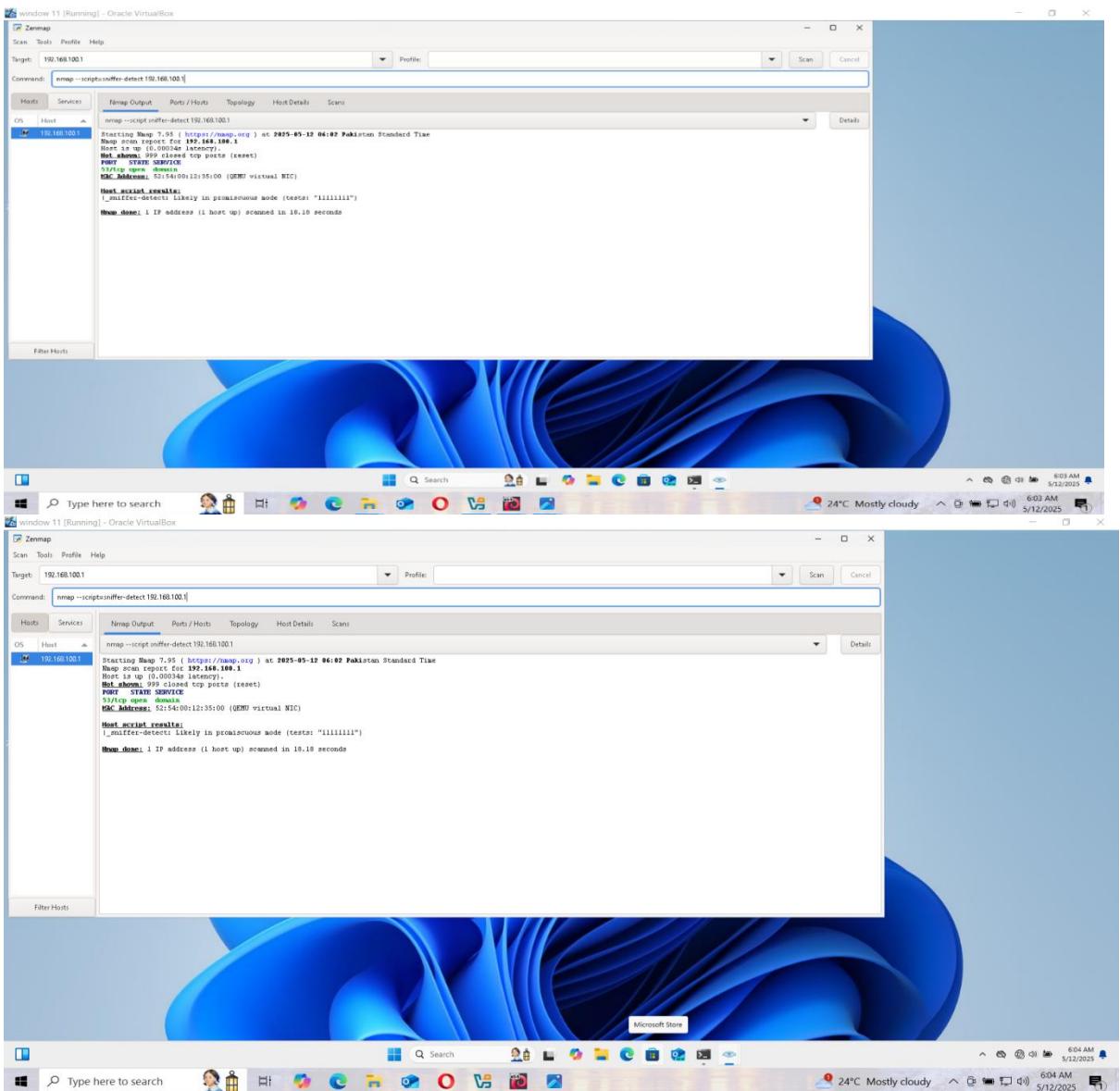




➤ Task 2: Detecting Promiscuous Mode Using Nmap

➤ Step 1: Check for Promiscuous Mode on Windows 11

1. Open Zenmap (Nmap GUI) on Windows 11.
2. Run Command: nmap --script=sniffer-detect [Target IP]
3. Analyze Results: If "Likely in promiscuous mode" appears, the target is sniffing traffic.
 - Why? Promiscuous mode allows a NIC to capture all traffic, not just intended packets.



➤ Lab Analysis & Conclusion

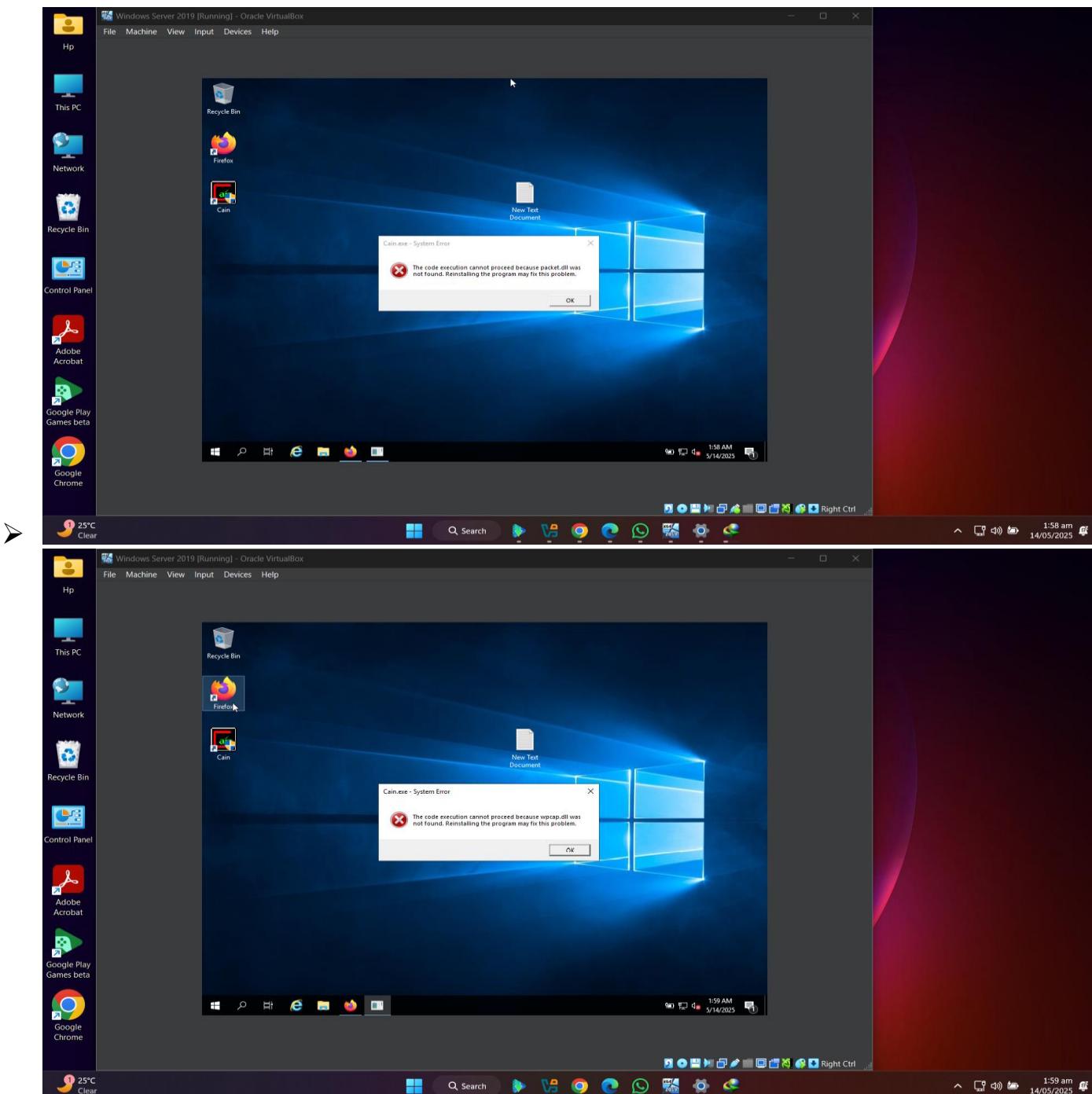
- **Findings:**
 - ARP poisoning was successfully detected using Wireshark (duplicate ARP responses).
 - Promiscuous mode was identified via Nmap's sniffer-detect script.
 - **Security Implications:**
 - ARP poisoning can lead to Man-in-the-Middle (MITM) attacks.
 - Promiscuous mode enables unauthorized traffic capture.
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➤ Final Notes:

This lab demonstrated how attackers exploit ARP poisoning and promiscuous mode for sniffing, and how defenders can detect such activities using Wireshark, Cain & Abel, and Nmap. Implementing network monitoring and hardening measures is crucial to prevent such attacks.

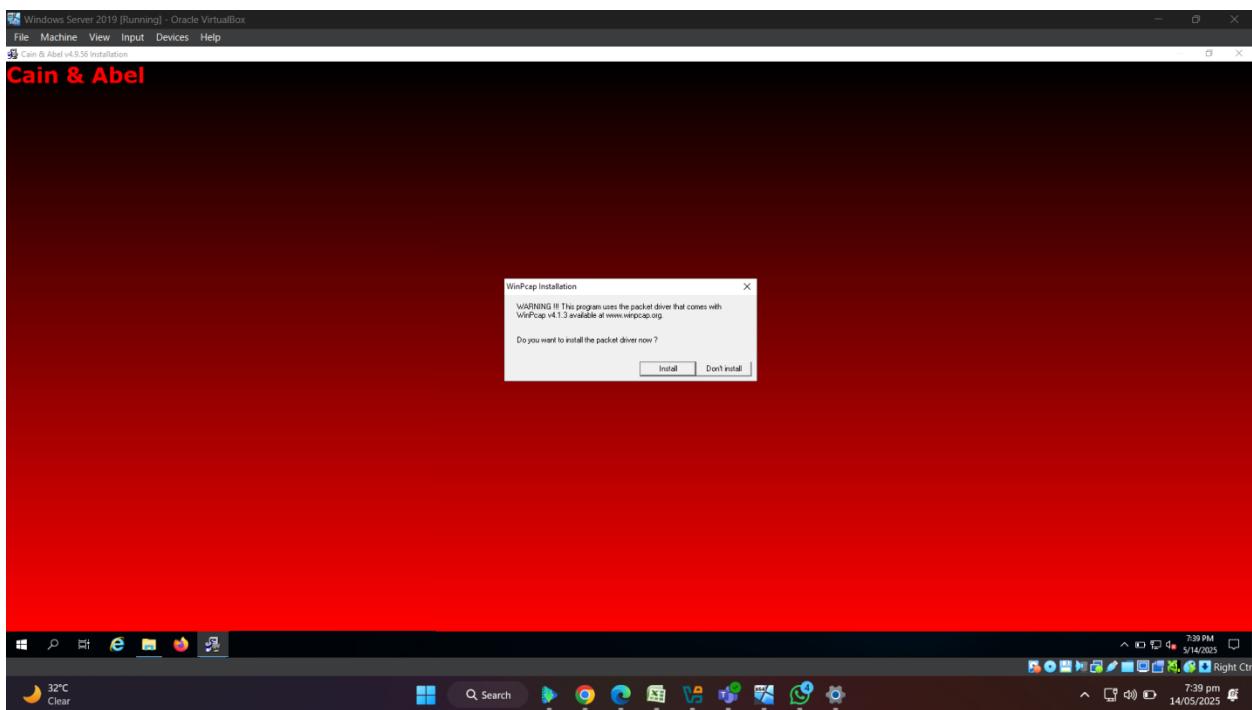
➤ ERRORS FACED DURING PERFORMANCE OF LABS

- **Error 1: Compatibility Issues with Windows Server 2019:**
 - The lab environment used Windows Server 2019 on Oracle VirtualBox. Cain & Abel installation failed due to compatibility issues (e.g., "data not found" or missing files like "words all was not found").
 - The program referenced an unsupported OS version ("Windows 9.1.3.2" in resolved.png), likely a typo or misconfiguration.



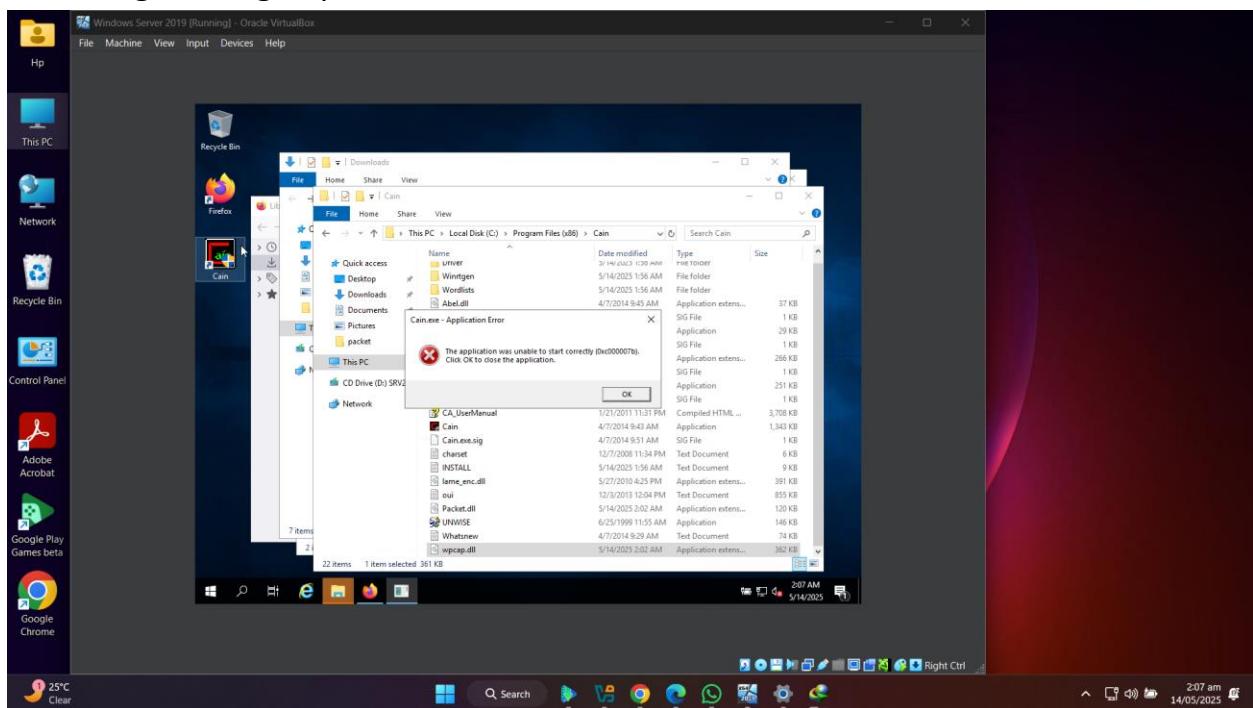
➤ Solution:

- Switched to a compatible OS (e.g., Windows 10 or Windows 7 VM) for Cain & Abel.
- Verified VM settings in Oracle VirtualBox to ensure proper resource allocation (RAM, storage).



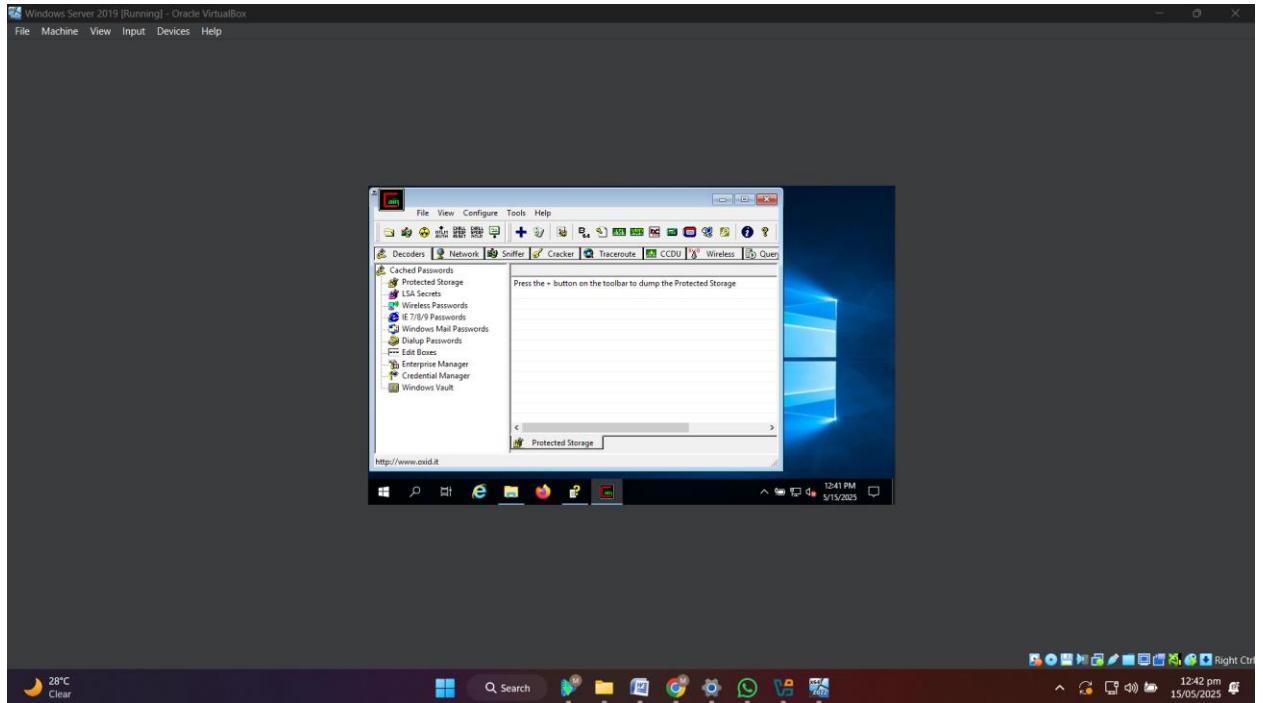
➤ Error 2: Missing Dependencies/Packets

- **Issue Observed (resolved.png):**
 - The installer prompted: "Do you want to install the packet after now?" indicating missing dependencies.



➤ Solution:

- Installed required frameworks like .NET Framework 3.5/4.0 and WinPcap manually before running Cain & Abel.
- Downloaded the correct version of Cain & Abel compatible with the OS.



➤ FINAL LEARNING:

Performing social engineering and sniffing labs underscored the critical intersection of human and technical vulnerabilities in cybersecurity. Social engineering tactics revealed how psychological manipulation can bypass even robust technical defenses, emphasizing the need for continuous user education to combat phishing and pretexting. Sniffing attacks (e.g., ARP poisoning, MAC spoofing) demonstrated the ease of intercepting unencrypted traffic, reinforcing the necessity of encryption (HTTPS, VPNs) and network monitoring tools. These labs highlighted that security is a layered effort—combining technical safeguards like DHCP snooping, static ARP entries, and MAC filtering with human-centric policies. Ethically, these exercises stress the importance of using such skills responsibly to fortify defenses rather than exploit weaknesses. Ultimately, proactive mitigation and awareness are pivotal in defending against both technical exploits and human-targeted attacks.