DNS Security Tool - Step-by-Step Workflow

1. Initialization

- The tool starts execution by setting up required libraries and initializing components.
- A Rich Console instance is created for formatted and visually appealing output.
- The script uses **argparse** to handle command-line arguments:
 - o dns_ip: Specifies the DNS server IP address to be assessed.
 - o domain: Specifies the domain to be analyzed for vulnerabilities.

2. Display Tool Information

• The tool displays a header panel (rich.Panel) containing its name and details using the rich library.

3. Geolocation Check (Tool's Machine)

- The script leverages the requests library to fetch the geolocation of the executing machine by querying https://ipinfo.io.
- It extracts key details such as city, region, country, and IP address.
- The formatted information is displayed using rich.Panel.

4. DNS Security Assessments

4.1 Zone Transfer Check

- Uses dns.zone.from xfr() to determine whether a Zone Transfer is permitted.
- Zone Transfers allow attackers to retrieve entire DNS records, posing a security risk.
- If successful → Warning: Zone Transfer is enabled and should be restricted.
- If failed → Info: Zone Transfer is restricted, ensuring security.

4.2 DNSSEC Validation Check

- Uses dns.resolver to query DNSKEY records, which validate DNS Security Extensions (DNSSEC).
- If DNSSEC is enabled → Displays the retrieved DNSKEY records.
- If DNSSEC is not enabled → Warns that the domain lacks security protections.

4.3 Cache Snooping Check

- Uses dns.resolver to assess whether the DNS server is vulnerable to cache snooping.
- Attackers can exploit cache snooping to determine if a domain has been queried before.
- If cache snooping is possible → Warning: The server is susceptible.
- If cache snooping is not possible → **Safe** message displayed.

4.4 Wildcard Injection Check

- Uses the socket library to generate random subdomains and resolve their IP addresses.
- If multiple subdomains resolve to different IPs → Warning: Wildcard injection detected.
- If subdomains resolve consistently → **Safe** message displayed.

4.5 DNS Amplification Check

- Uses dns.message.make_query() to send an ANY query, which requests all available records.
- If the response size is much larger than the request size → **Warning**: The DNS server may be vulnerable to amplification attacks.
- Otherwise → **Safe** message displayed.

4.6 NXDOMAIN Attack Detection

- Generates a random subdomain and queries it to test how the DNS server handles nonexistent domains.
- If NXDOMAIN error is returned → Safe message.
- If other responses occur → Potential attack warning indicating DNS poisoning or hijacking.

4.7 DNS Rebinding Check

- Queries A records from the target DNS server and analyzes their responses.
- If an IP resolves to **127.x.x.x or 0.x.x.x** → **Warning**: DNS rebinding detected, which could allow attackers to bypass security controls.
- If responses contain only external IPs → Safe message displayed.

4.8 DNS Reflection Check

Sends a small DNS query and compares the size of the response to the request.

- If the response is disproportionately larger → Warning: The server can be used for DNS reflection attacks.
- Otherwise → Safe message displayed.

4.9 Open Recursion Check

- Queries version.bind using dns.resolver to determine if open recursion is enabled.
- If an answer is returned → Warning: Open recursion is enabled, which may allow abuse.
- If NXDOMAIN or timeout occurs → Safe message displayed.

5. Completion and Results Display

- The script consolidates all security assessment results and presents them using **Rich Formatting** (rich.table, rich.panel).
- A final summary message is displayed before the tool terminates.

Libraries Used and Their Roles

Rich

Used for enhanced console output with tables, panels, and color formatting.

Argparse

Handles command-line argument parsing for user input.

Requests

• Fetches external data, such as the IP geolocation of the executing machine.

DNS Python (dnspython)

Provides DNS querying capabilities to check DNSSEC, Zone Transfers,
Amplification, and other security vulnerabilities.

Socket

• Used to resolve domain names and check for wildcard injection issues.

Threading & Time

Helps manage execution timing and potential concurrency if needed.

This document now provides an in-depth explanation of each step and the libraries used. Let me know if further refinements are needed!