

Penetration Testing and Intrusion Detection of Firewall Policy Implementation (including SNORBY)

Part A: – Vulnerability Scanning using Zenmap and Nessus¹

1. Overview

Penetration testing in general and vulnerability scanning in particular is the process of assessing computer systems, networks and applications for vulnerabilities (weaknesses). It is a part of the overall process required to secure a computer system, network or application. This part of the security policy, implementation and testing involves the use of tools such as Nmap – and in particular a GUI version called Zenmap, Nessus, FileZilla and SNORBY which is a detection and analysis tool. These tools provide an insight into penetration testing at the network layer thus providing verification of the accuracy of the policy implementation and associated configuration. In particular they are designed to detect errors, omissions, accidental mis-configuration and to detect vulnerabilities that might otherwise be under the radar.

1.1 Port Scanning

A port in an operating system is specific to an application or a process and serves as a communication endpoint. It is associated with the IP address of the host machine as well as the protocol used in the communication. Each address and protocol can be identified by a port together with its port number. The port number is a 16-bit unsigned integer and hence ranges from 0 to 65535. The lower numbered ports are “well known” and commonly used for familiar applications (see following page). Ports above 200 may or may not be well known, they may be proprietary or they may be used at random as and when required by an application. Thus the admin host (204.137.98.145) may be scanned to check for active ports and the services running on them. This information is valuable in providing a final check that the firewall’s configuration is ready for service and can be used to assist in preventing attacks on known vulnerabilities of those services.

There are two key stages in port scanning and penetration testing, viz: (i) is a port available upon which a service might operate and (ii) if we attempt to exploit such a port, can we actually run a service on the target machine. For example an FTP port might be available but that does not necessarily mean that an FTP service can be initiated externally on this port. Or – more simply – is there a door there? If so, can I open it?

Port scans can be of several types depending on their use for detection of different protocols being used or for transmitting custom packets. Tools commonly used for port scanning are *nmap* (www.nmap.org), *Zenmap*, (www.nmap.org/zenmap) and *hping* (www.hping.org).

hping is a command-line oriented TCP/IP packet assembler/analyser. The interface supports not only ICMP echo requests but TCP, UDP, and RAW-IP protocols, has a traceroute mode, the ability to send files between a specified ports.

Important components of the Penetration Testing regime include:

- Port scanning (as above)
- Firewall testing (can we penetrate the firewall - and if so - under what circumstances?)
- Network testing, using different protocols and fragmentation

¹ Ensure that the firewall is disabled on both base machine and the Virtual Machine that you are running

- Remote OS fingerprinting – determining what Operating Systems (and versions) are available.
- Fuzzing (separate workshop on this)
- TCP/IP stack analysis and penetration
- Basic network and system tools including:

tracert, arp, netstat (e.g.netstat -a), nslookup, ifconfig/ipconfig, ping, netcat

Such tools can provide information for other vulnerability scanners such as Nessus as we will see in this part of the laboratory.

Commonly used **ports** can be found at **C:\WINDOWS\system32\drivers\etc\services** and a subset of these are:

echo	7/tcp/udp	
ftp-data	20/tcp	FTP data
ftp	21/tcp	FTP control
ssh	22/tcp	Secure Shell
telnet	23/tcp	
smtp	25/tcp	Simple Mail Transfer Protocol
time	37/tcp/udp	timserver
nameserver	42/tcp/udp	Host Name Server
nicname	43/tcp	whois
domain	53/tcp/udp	Domain Name Server
bootps	67/udp dhcps	Bootstrap Protocol Server
bootpc	68/udp dhcpc	Bootstrap Protocol Client
tftp	69/udp	Trivial File Transfer
finger	79/tcp	
http	80/tcp	World Wide Web
kerberos	88/tcp/udp	krb5 kerberos-sec Kerberos
hostname	101/tcp	hostnames NIC Host Name Server
rtelnet	107/tcp	Remote Telnet Service
pop2	109/tcp	Post Office Protocol - Version 2
pop3	110/tcp	Post Office Protocol - Version 3
auth	113/tcp	Identification Protocol
ntp	123/udp	Network Time Protocol
epmap	135/tcp/udp	DCE endpoint resolution
imap	143/tcp imap4	Internet Message Access Protocol
snmp	161/udp	SNMP (Simple Network Management Protocol)
irc	194/tcp	Internet Relay Chat Protocol
ldap	389/tcp	Lightweight Directory Access Protocol
https	443/tcp/udp	MCom
microsoft-ds	445/tcp/udp	
isakmp	500/udp ike	Internet Key Exchange
exec	512/tcp	Remote Process Execution
login	513/tcp	Remote Login
who	513/udp	whod
cmd	514/tcp	shell
syslog	514/udp	
ldaps	636/tcp sldap	LDAP over TLS/SSL
doom	666/tcp/udp	Doom Software
kerberos-adm	749/tcp/udp	Kerberos administration
wins	1512/tcp/udp	Microsoft Windows Internet Name Service
l2tp	1701/udp	Layer Two Tunneling Protocol
pptp	1723/tcp	Point-to-point tunnelling protocol
radius	1812/udp	RADIUS authentication protocol

1.2 Network Scanning/Enumeration

Network scanning or enumeration is the method of collecting information about a network, chiefly its topology, number of live hosts, services, protocols being used by the hosts etc. The goal being to start with no information and then to gather as much information as possible about the network and the connected hosts. This information can then be used to identify vulnerabilities in the network and possibly mistakes or omissions made during implementation.

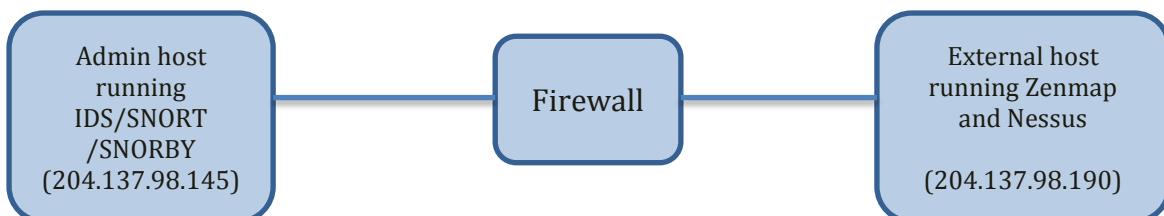
Steps involved in network scanning relevant for this workshop are:

- ping sweeps: used to check if hosts are live or not; commonly done by using ICMP pings.
- Traceroute: used to provide a basic map of the target network architecture
- OS identification: used to predict which services might be running on a system and hence the port scans can be modified accordingly
- port scanning: used to provide a list of open ports and thus potential running applications
- application enumeration: uses banner grabbing to identify the services running on a port

Most commonly used applications identify themselves and hence can be readily recognised. If the active applications are known, then their vulnerabilities can be guarded against.

1.3 Workshop Setup

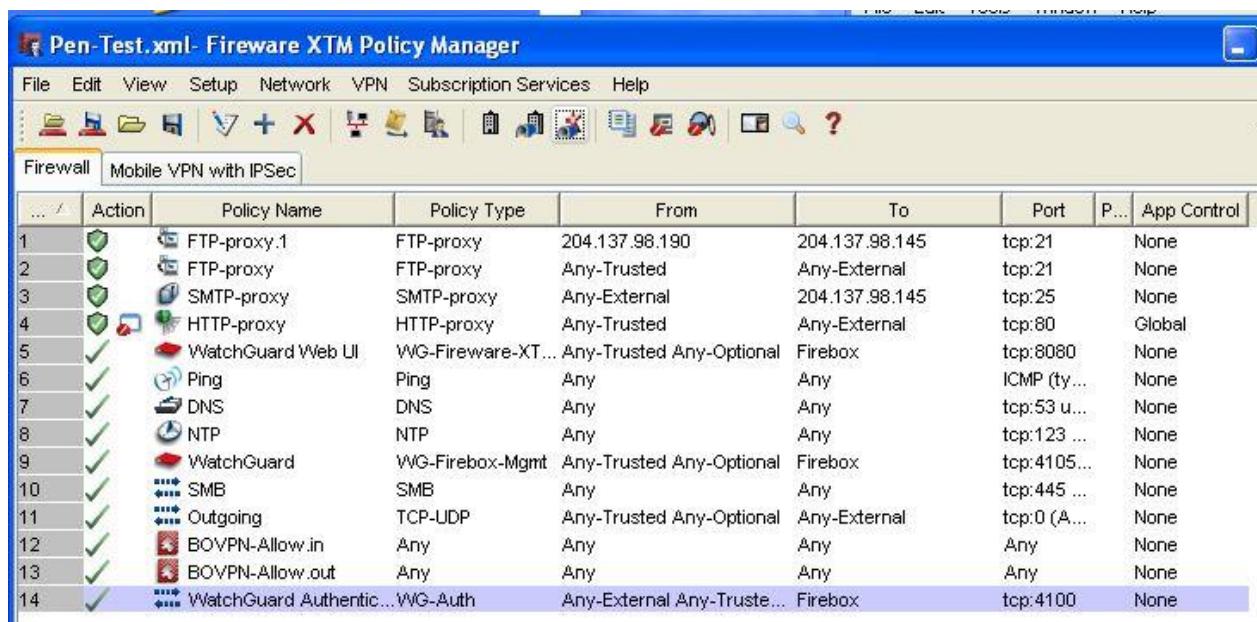
The workshop setup has will continue as before with the admin host (204.137.98.145) to be subject to penetration testing through the firewall, thus verifying the filters and proxies activated and their respective configurations. This host is essentially a bank server which runs a MYSQL database for its customer accounts and thus provides a very practical and realistic study. Thus we commence by scanning for potential vulnerabilities. Often the external host can be referred to as the “attacker” and the admin host as the “victim”².



To make the results of this penetration test more interesting we are going to add some additional services as shown in the following diagram. Thus if not already configured, load the file pen-test.xml on to the firewall.

Firewall Policies							
Auto-Order mode is disabled		Enable					
Action	Policy Name	Policy Type	From	To	Port	PBR	Application Control
✓	FTP-proxy.1	FTP-proxy	204.137.98.190	204.137.98.145	tcp:21		None
✓	FTP-proxy	FTP-proxy	Any-Trusted	Any-External	tcp:21		None
✓	SMTP-proxy	SMTP-proxy	Any-External	204.137.98.145	tcp:25		None
✓	HTTP-proxy	HTTP-proxy	Any-Trusted	Any-External	tcp:80		Global
✓	WatchGuard Web UI	WG-Fireware-XTF	Any-Trusted	Any-Optic	Firebox	tcp:8080	None
✓	Ping	Ping	Any	Any	ICMP (type: 8, code: 0)		None
✓	DNS	DNS	Any	Any	tcp:53 udp:53		None
✓	NTP	NTP	Any	Any	tcp:123 udp:123		None

² Check that the bank’s server is running. MySQL Server (MYSQL57) on Rays Bank Server (204.137.98.145) from Control Panel > Administrative Tools > Services > Start (if not already running)



The screenshot shows a Windows application window titled "Pen-Test.xml- Firewall XTM Policy Manager". The menu bar includes File, Edit, View, Setup, Network, VPN, Subscription Services, and Help. Below the menu is a toolbar with various icons. The main area has two tabs: "Firewall" (selected) and "Mobile VPN with IPSec". A table lists 14 firewall policies:

...	Action	Policy Name	Policy Type	From	To	Port	P...	App Control
1	✓	FTP-proxy.1	FTP-proxy	204.137.98.190	204.137.98.145	tcp:21	None	
2	✓	FTP-proxy	FTP-proxy	Any-Trusted	Any-External	tcp:21	None	
3	✓	SMTP-proxy	SMTP-proxy	Any-External	204.137.98.145	tcp:25	None	
4	✓	HTTP-proxy	HTTP-proxy	Any-Trusted	Any-External	tcp:80	Global	
5	✓	WatchGuard Web UI	WG-Fireware-XT...	Any-Trusted	Any-Optional	Firebox	tcp:8080	None
6	✓	Ping	Ping	Any	Any	ICMP (ty...)	None	
7	✓	DNS	DNS	Any	Any	tcp:53 u...	None	
8	✓	NTP	NTP	Any	Any	tcp:123 ...	None	
9	✓	WatchGuard	VWG-Firebox-Mgmt	Any-Trusted	Any-Optional	Firebox	tcp:4105...	None
10	✓	SMB	SMB	Any	Any	tcp:445 ...	None	
11	✓	Outgoing	TCP-UDP	Any-Trusted	Any-Optional	Any-External	tcp:0 (A...)	None
12	✓	BOVPN-Allow.in	Any	Any	Any	Any	None	
13	✓	BOVPN-Allow.out	Any	Any	Any	Any	None	
14	✓	WatchGuard Authentic...	WG-Auth	Any-External	Any-Trusted...	Firebox	tcp:4100	None

The applications include the following:

Packet Filters:

- DNS (Domain Name Service) on port 53
- NTP (Network Time Protocol) on port 123
- SMB/CIFS (Server Message Block/Common Internet File System) on ports 137 & 138 (UDP) and 139 (TCP) and 445 (UDP & TCP)

Proxies:

- FTP (File Transfer Protocol) on port 21
- SMTP (Simple Mail Transport Protocol) on port 25

2. Zenmap

Nmap has a GUI version called **Zenmap** that is user friendly and presents information more easily read than the command line version. Use the following steps to carry out scans on your administration host in the trusted network (204.137.98.145) using Zenmap:

1. Check the respective IP address and ping to make sure that you have connectivity
2. Start Zenmap from the desktop shortcut (bottom of Windows 10 screen) on the external host (204.137.98.190)
3. Enter the admin host IP address (204.137.98.145) in the target field of Zenmap and select “Quick Scan” from the Profile drop down options.
4. The Quick Scan will show if the target machine is running and whether you have access through the firewall. The MAC address will be displayed and approximately the 100 most commonly used ports will be scanned.
5. Provide a brief summary of the information you have obtained in the box below.

In general Quick Scan displays –

Nmap output (starting time, date and location, DNS warning, number of filtered ports including ports open/closed and services they support).

Ports/Hosts – Displays port number, protocol status, service and version. From this information we can analyse valid and invalid ports

Topology – displays topology settings and from here we can setup host viewer

Host details – all IP information demonstrating what details might be exposed to a hacker.

The *Quick Scan* has prompted the following messages /details:

Closed ports from amongst 100 scanned ports) which include:

Open ports including— 21 (ftp), 80 (http), 135 (msrpc), 139 (netbios), 443 (https), 445 (Microsoft-ds) and others.

Zenmap

Scan Tools Profile Help

Target: 204.137.98.145

Command: nmap -T4 -F 204.137.98.145

Hosts Services Nmap Output Ports / Hosts Topology Host Details Scans

OS Host

204.137.98.145

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Starting Nmap 7.12 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2016-08-08 15:24 F
Nmap scan report for 204.137.98.145
mass_dns: warning: Unable to determine any DNS servers. Rever:
dns-servers
Host is up (0.016s latency).
Not shown: 85 closed ports
PORT      STATE    SERVICE
21/tcp    open     ftp
80/tcp    open     http
111/tcp   filtered rpcbind
135/tcp   open     msrpc
139/tcp   open     netbios-ssn
443/tcp   open     https
445/tcp   open     microsoft-ds
513/tcp   filtered login
514/tcp   filtered shell
2049/tcp  filtered nfs
3306/tcp  open     mysql
5357/tcp  open     wsdapi
6000/tcp  filtered X11
6001/tcp  filtered X11:1
8000/tcp  filtered http-alt

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 1.47 seconds

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This should raise alarms !!

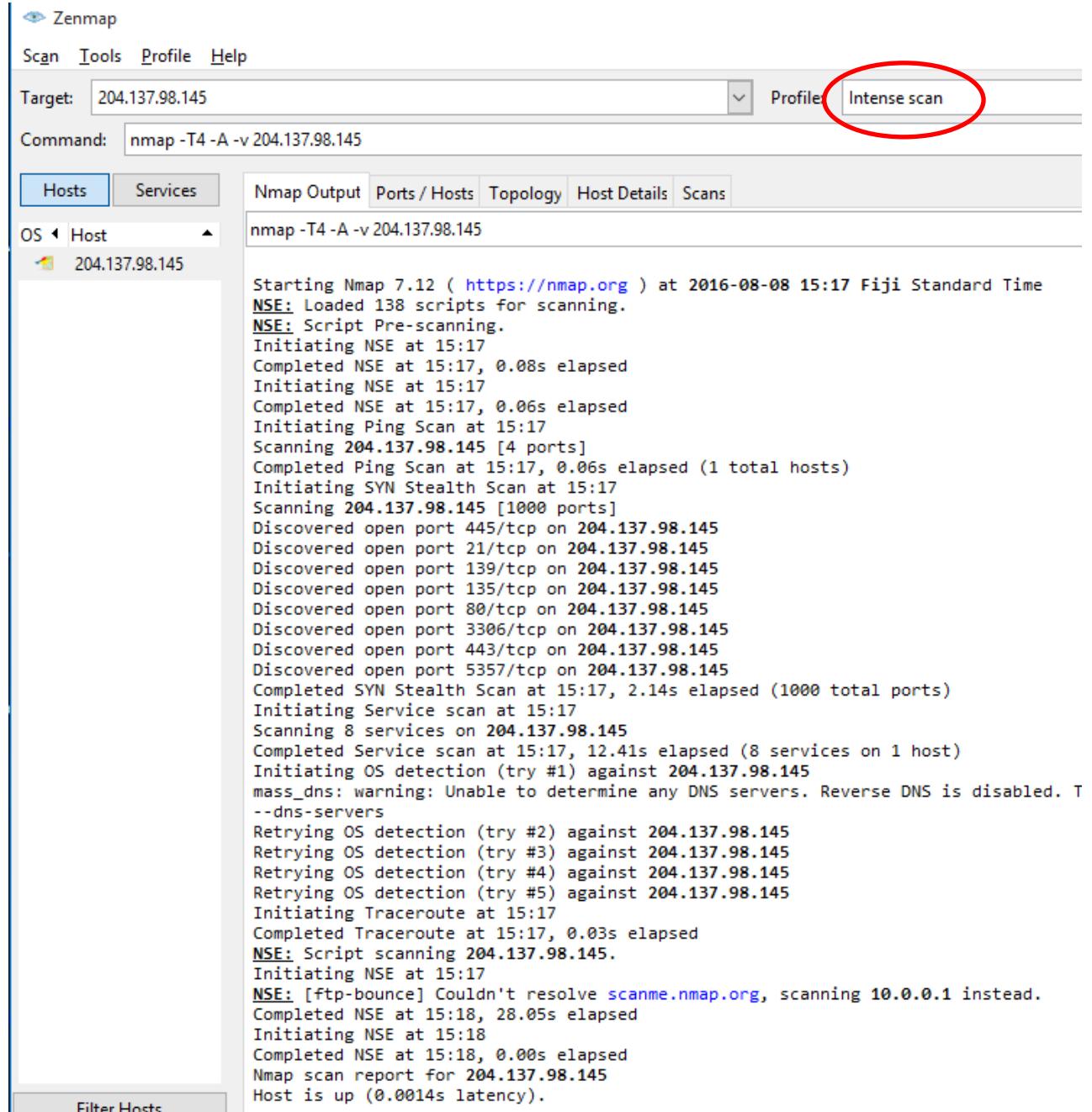
The state of a port can be: *open*, *filtered*, *closed*. *Open* means that an application on the target machine is listening for connections/packets on that port. *Filtered* means that a firewall is likely blocking the port so that Zenmap cannot tell whether it is open or closed.

It is most interesting to note that port 3306 is open as this is the clients' access to the MYSQL database and this will be examined in more detail later.

Experiment with the other buttons – Ports/Host, topology etc to see things like:

	Port	Protocol	State	Service	Version
●	445	tcp	open	microsoft-ds	Microsoft Windows XP microsoft-ds
●	139	tcp	open	netbios-ssn	
●	135	tcp	open	msrpc	Microsoft Windows RPC
●	53	tcp	closed	domain	
●	25	tcp	open	smtp-proxy	WatchGuard smtp proxy
●	21	tcp	open	ftp	Microsoft ftpd

Next use the “Intensive Scan” option from the Profile drop down list and scan the administration host machine. This will take a longer time than Quick Scan (couple more minutes) to complete as more ports are scanned and further information extracted. All the information will be displayed after the scan is over. Navigate to the Ports/Hosts tab or the Host Details (see examples below) tab to see more information. The information gathered can be used to identify the vulnerabilities and take necessary steps to secure the system.



The screenshot shows the Zenmap interface. At the top, there's a menu bar with Scan, Tools, Profile, and Help. Below the menu is a toolbar with a target field set to 204.137.98.145, a dropdown for Profile (with 'Profile' and 'Intense scan' options), and a Command field containing 'nmap -T4 -A -v 204.137.98.145'. The main window has tabs for Hosts (selected), Services, Nmap Output, Ports / Hosts, Topology, Host Details, and Scans. The Nmap Output tab is active, displaying the following command and its execution log:

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nmap -T4 -A -v 204.137.98.145

Starting Nmap 7.12 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2016-08-08 15:17 Fiji Standard Time
NSE: Loaded 138 scripts for scanning.
NSE: Script Pre-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 15:17
Completed NSE at 15:17, 0.08s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 15:17
Completed NSE at 15:17, 0.06s elapsed
Initiating Ping Scan at 15:17
Scanning 204.137.98.145 [4 ports]
Completed Ping Scan at 15:17, 0.06s elapsed (1 total hosts)
Initiating SYN Stealth Scan at 15:17
Scanning 204.137.98.145 [1000 ports]
Discovered open port 445/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 21/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 139/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 135/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 80/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 3306/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 443/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 5357/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Completed SYN Stealth Scan at 15:17, 2.14s elapsed (1000 total ports)
Initiating Service scan at 15:17
Scanning 8 services on 204.137.98.145
Completed Service scan at 15:17, 12.41s elapsed (8 services on 1 host)
Initiating OS detection (try #1) against 204.137.98.145
mass_dns: warning: Unable to determine any DNS servers. Reverse DNS is disabled. T
--dns-servers
Retrying OS detection (try #2) against 204.137.98.145
Retrying OS detection (try #3) against 204.137.98.145
Retrying OS detection (try #4) against 204.137.98.145
Retrying OS detection (try #5) against 204.137.98.145
Initiating Traceroute at 15:17
Completed Traceroute at 15:17, 0.03s elapsed
NSE: Script scanning 204.137.98.145.
Initiating NSE at 15:17
NSE: [ftp-bounce] Couldn't resolve scanme.nmap.org, scanning 10.0.0.1 instead.
Completed NSE at 15:18, 28.05s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 15:18
Completed NSE at 15:18, 0.00s elapsed
Nmap scan report for 204.137.98.145
Host is up (0.0014s latency).

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NSE: Nmap Scripting engine

Zenmap

Scan Tools Profile Help

Target: 204.137.98.145 Profile: Intense scan

Command: nmap -T4 -A -v 204.137.98.145

Hosts	Services	Nmap Output	Ports / Hosts	Topology	Host Details	Scans
OS Host		nmap -T4 -A -v 204.137.98.145				
204.137.98.145		<pre> PORT STATE SERVICE VERSION 1/tcp filtered tcpmux 21/tcp open ftp Microsoft ftpd _ftp-anon: Anonymous FTP login allowed (FTP code 230) 07-30-99 04:02AM 106496 center.exe 05-15-08 03:13PM 14310 datepicker.js 04-15-08 12:00AM 760748 Highway_Blues.wma 01-26-15 10:44PM 0 nessus_test _10-06-12 08:57PM 22 test.txt _ftp-bounce: server forbids bouncing to low ports <1025 80/tcp open http Microsoft IIS httpd 10.0 http-methods: Supported Methods: OPTIONS TRACE GET HEAD POST Potentially risky methods: TRACE _http-server-header: Microsoft-IIS/10.0 _http-title: 403 - Forbidden: Access is denied. 111/tcp filtered rpcbind 135/tcp open msrpc Microsoft Windows RPC 139/tcp open netbios-ssn Microsoft Windows 98 netbios-ssn 443/tcp open ssl/http Microsoft IIS httpd 10.0 http-methods: Supported Methods: OPTIONS TRACE GET HEAD POST Potentially risky methods: TRACE _http-server-header: Microsoft-IIS/10.0 ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=WIN-9F1DI8ATOC5 Issuer: commonName=WIN-9F1DI8ATOC5 Public Key type: rsa Public Key bits: 2048 Signature Algorithm: sha1WithRSAEncryption Not valid before: 2016-07-28T23:36:13 Not valid after: 2017-07-29T00:00:00 MD5: 2d07 fe92 5b53 b18f e9b7 d651 c3a9 e537 _SHA-1: 240d 728f fb56 3977 2dce 107a ddd8 1a99 9cae ecf8 _ssl-date: 2016-08-08T03:18:51+00:00; +58s from scanner time. 445/tcp open microsoft-ds Microsoft Windows 10 microsoft-ds 513/tcp filtered login 514/tcp filtered shell 2049/tcp filtered nfs 3306/tcp open mysql MySQL 5.7.13-log mysql-info: Protocol: 53 Version: .7.13-log </pre>				
Filter Hosts						

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nmap -T4 -A -v 204.137.98.145
[...]
|_ Some Capabilities: LongPassword, Support41Auth, ODBCClient, InteractiveClient, Speaks41ProtocolOld, LongColumnFlag
|_ IgnoreSigpipes, ConnectWithDatabase, IgnoreSpaceBeforeParenthesis, SupportsLoadDataLocal, SupportsTransactions,
|_ DontAllowDatabaseTableColumn, Speaks41ProtocolNew, SupportsCompression, FoundRows
|_ Status: Autocommit
|_ Salt: .8LK7ub,(p,\x1C\0\eww9d
5357/tcp open  http Microsoft HTTPAPI httpd 2.0 (SSDP/UPnP)
|_http-server-header: Microsoft-HTTPAPI/2.0
|_http-title: Service Unavailable
6000/tcp filtered X11
6001/tcp filtered X11:1
6002/tcp filtered X11:2
6003/tcp filtered X11:3
6004/tcp filtered X11:4
6005/tcp filtered X11:5
7100/tcp filtered font-service
8000/tcp filtered http-alt
No exact OS matches for host (If you know what OS is running on it, see https://nmap.org/submit/).
TCP/IP fingerprint:
OS:SCAN(V=7.12%#=%4D=8/8%OT=21%CT=3%CU=36046%PV=N&DS=2%DC=1%G=YSTM=57A7F9F9
OS:;%P=i686-pc-windows-windows)SEQ(SP=103%CD=1%ISR=10B%TI=1%II=1%TS=U)SEQ(I
OS:I=1)OPS(OI=W1N1M578NN%02=M578NN%03=W1N1M280NN%04=W1N1M578NN%05=W1N1M218N
OS:1NS%06=M109NN%01)WIN(W1=FFFF%W2=FFFF%W3=FFFF%W4=FFFF%W5=FFFF%W6=FFFF)ECN(R=
OS:Y%DF=N%T=41%#=FFFF%O=W1N1M578NN%CC=N%Q=)T1(R=Y%DF=N%T=41%#=O%A=S+F#A$SR
OS:D=0%Q=)T2(R=N)T3(R=N)T4(R=N)T5(R=Y%DF=Y%T=80%#=0%S=Z%A=S+F#A=R%O=R%D=0%Q
OS:i=T6(R=N)T7(R=N)U1(R=Y%DF=N%T=80%IPL=1648UN=0%RIPL=G%RID=G%RIPCK=G%RUCK-
OS:G%RUD=G)IE(R=Y%DFI=N%T=80%CD=Z)

Network Distance: 2 hops
TCP Sequence Prediction: Difficulty=259 (Good luck!)
IP ID Sequence Generation: Incrementing by 2
Service Info: OSs: Windows, Windows 98, Windows 10; CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows, cpe:/o:microsoft:windows_98, cpe:/o:microsoft:windows_10

Host script results:
| nbstat: NetBIOS name: WIN-9F1DI8ATOCS, NetBIOS user: <unknown>, NetBIOS MAC: 00:0c:29:b2:6f:91 (VMware)
| Names:
|   WIN-9F1DI8ATOCS<20> Flags: <unique><active>
|   WIN-9F1DI8ATOCS<00> Flags: <unique><active>
|   WORKGROUP<00> Flags: <group><active>
|   WORKGROUP<1e> Flags: <group><active>

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nmap -T4 -A -v 204.137.98.145
[...]
TCP Sequence Prediction: Difficulty=259 (Good luck!)
IP ID Sequence Generation: Incrementing by 2
Service Info: OSs: Windows, Windows 98, Windows 10; CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows, cpe:/o:microsoft:windows_98, cpe:/o:microsoft:windows_10

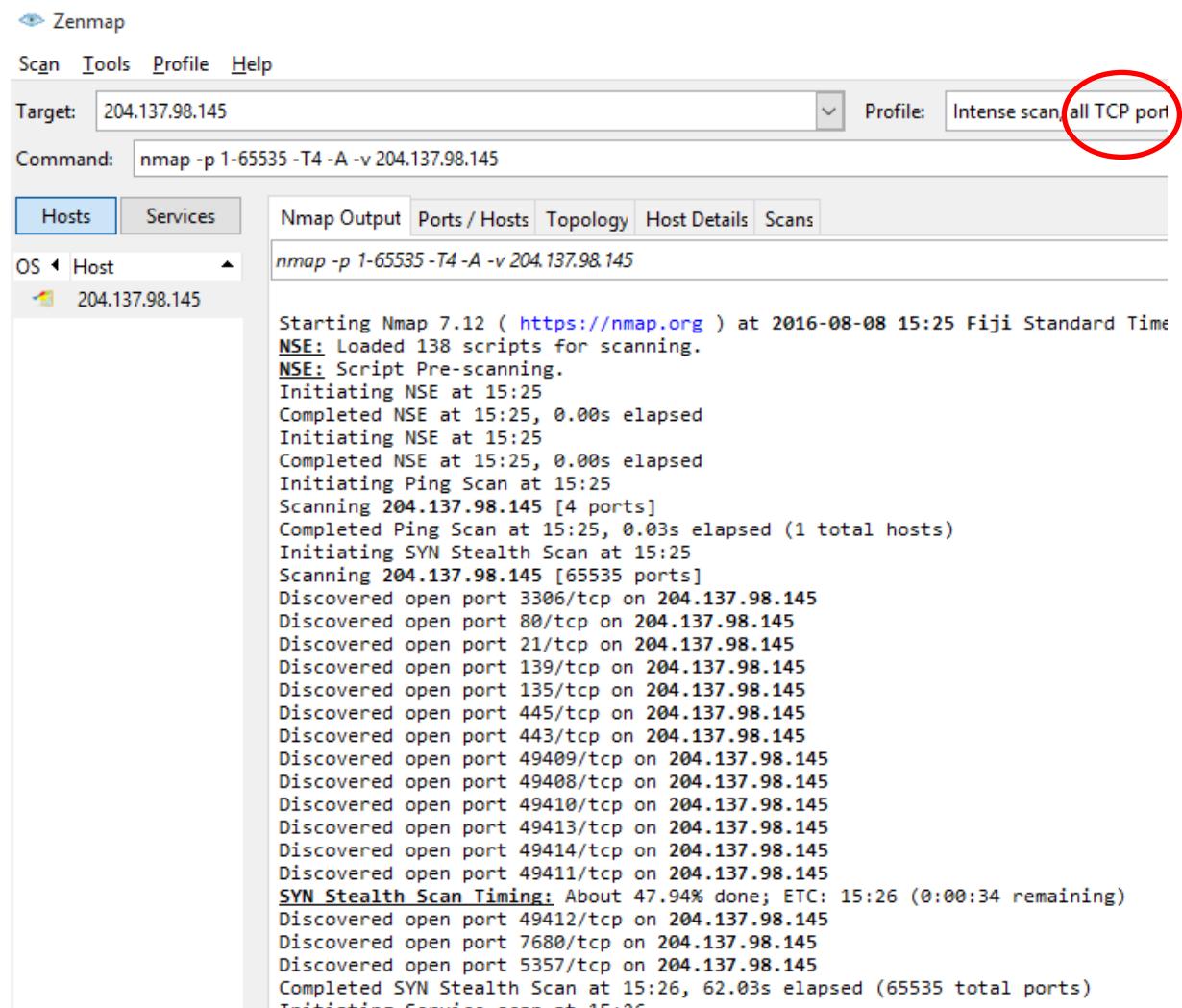
Host script results:
| nbstat: NetBIOS name: WIN-9F1DI8ATOCS, NetBIOS user: <unknown>, NetBIOS MAC: 00:0c:29:b2:6f:91 (VMware)
| Names:
|   WIN-9F1DI8ATOCS<20> Flags: <unique><active>
|   WIN-9F1DI8ATOCS<00> Flags: <unique><active>
|   WORKGROUP<00> Flags: <group><active>
|   WORKGROUP<1e> Flags: <group><active>
| smb-os-discovery:
|   OS: Windows 10 Pro 10240 (Windows 10 Pro 6.3)
|   OS CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows_10:-
|   NetBIOS computer name: WIN-9F1DI8ATOCS
|   Workgroup: WORKGROUP
|   System time: 2016-08-08T15:18:49+12:00
| smb-security-mode:
|   account_used: guest
|   authentication_level: user
|   challenge_response: supported
|   message_signing: disabled (dangerous, but default)
|   _smbv2-enabled: Server supports SMBv2 protocol

TRACEROUTE (using port 993/tcp)
HOP RTT ADDRESS
1  0.00 ms  204.137.98.189
2  11.00 ms 204.137.98.145

NSE: Script Post-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 15:18
Completed NSE at 15:18, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 15:18
Completed NSE at 15:18, 0.00s elapsed
Read data files from: C:\Program Files\Nmap
OS and Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/.
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 67.88 seconds
    Raw packets sent: 1218 (58.898KB) | Rcvd: 1057 (45.562KB)

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Another type of scan is the TCP Port Scan as follows:



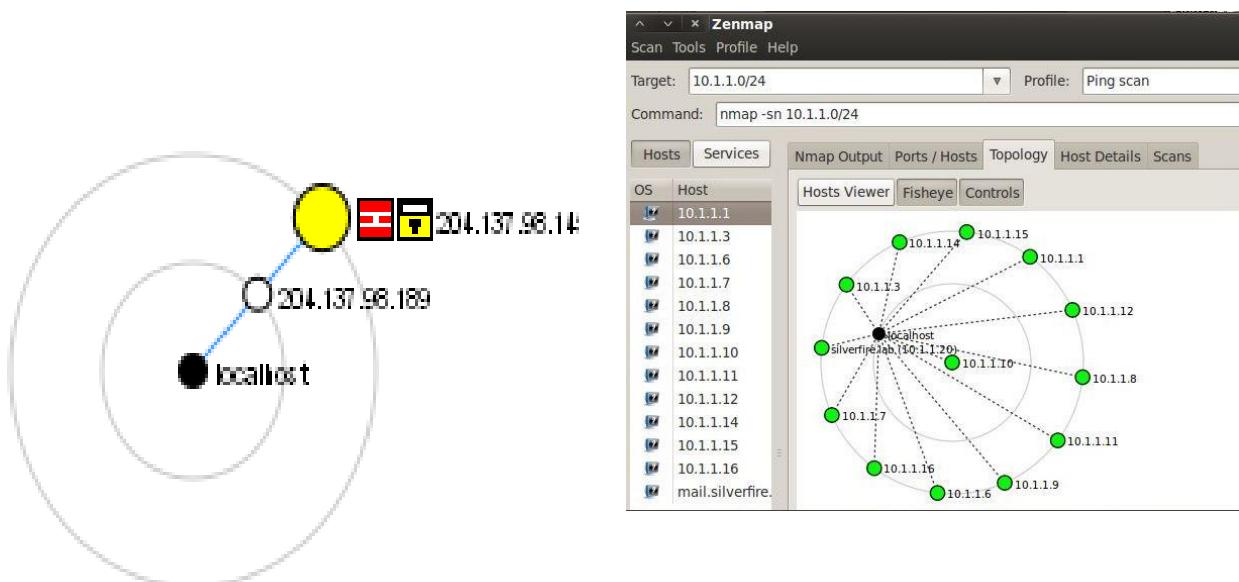
Zenmap interface showing an Intense scan (all TCP ports) on target 204.137.98.145. The Nmap output shows the results of the scan, including open ports 3306, 80, 21, 139, 135, 445, 443, 49409, 49408, 49410, 49413, 49414, 49411, 49412, 7680, and 5357/tcp.

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Starting Nmap 7.12 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2016-08-08 15:25 Fiji Standard Time
NSE: Loaded 138 scripts for scanning.
NSE: Script Pre-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 15:25
Completed NSE at 15:25, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating NSE at 15:25
Completed NSE at 15:25, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating Ping Scan at 15:25
Scanning 204.137.98.145 [4 ports]
Completed Ping Scan at 15:25, 0.03s elapsed (1 total hosts)
Initiating SYN Stealth Scan at 15:25
Scanning 204.137.98.145 [65535 ports]
Discovered open port 3306/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 80/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 21/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 139/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 135/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 445/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 443/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 49409/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 49408/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 49410/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 49413/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 49414/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 49411/tcp on 204.137.98.145
SYN Stealth Scan Timing: About 47.94% done; ETC: 15:26 (0:00:34 remaining)
Discovered open port 49412/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 7680/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Discovered open port 5357/tcp on 204.137.98.145
Completed SYN Stealth Scan at 15:26, 62.03s elapsed (65535 total ports)

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The diagrams below show the Zenmap / Topology for a set of connected devices in a subnet.



Zenmap scans showing interconnection of Backtrack/Kali engines, Androids and SMTP Server for Android Vulnerability Lab

It is necessary to be clear as to what all this scanning information means – for Quick, Intense and TCP Port scans. In particular in the box below is an explanation of what each of these scans shows you which the others do not – accepting of course that there is some degree of overlap.

In particular, your explanation must clearly include the following – saying what these mean and why they may be important (or not) which appear in some of these scans.

- Stealth Scan
- What is NSE?
- FTP Bounce
- TCP/IP Fingerprint
- OS Detection
- Anonymous FTP files
- Implications of ports 135/139 being accessible
- RSA encryption algorithm details for port 443
- MYSQL server information
- TCP Sequence Prediction
- Host Script Results

For the Intense scan (as well as Nessus to follow) firewall autoblock may be an issue here. Set an autoblocking exception for the IP address of 204.137.98.190 or equivalent. However it may be necessary to re-IP the penetration testing machine and make sure that such a new IP address is in the external range (.177 - .188). Check other notes for ping issues.

The Intense Scan shows the following items which the Quick Scan did not:

- i) *version* of the open/closed ports being used such as by port 21 (ftp) which uses Microsoft ftpd etc. (as shown on previous page – page 4)
- ii) information on TCP sequence numbers, IP ID sequence and TCP TS sequence which can be seen by expanding the entries in the diagram above. TCP Sequence (Index 258; value = drop down), IP ID Sequence (class = Increments 1); TCP TS Sequence (class: non returned (unsupported)). Also shows information about Oss and devices.
- iii) host name and workgroup details – for example host script results such as NetBios name, group which can be used to clone machine.
- iv) large number of scanned ports, i.e. 1000 ports, compared to Quick Scan with a total of 100 ports only.
- v) displays Traceroute information
- vi) shows source of read data files

Run Wireshark to show the packets originating from Nmap scans (Quick and Intensive). To select a filter right click on a source address in a trace and add it to the filter. Alternatively select “Apply a filter”. We need to obtain a filter of the form source == a.b.c.d or ip.src == a.b.c.d or ip.dst == a.b.c.d Briefly detail your Wireshark results in the box below *comparing* the results obtained between the two scans. Referring to the Wireshark traces, give three examples of protocols and processes being carried out by the Intensive Scan that were not carried out by the Quick Scan.

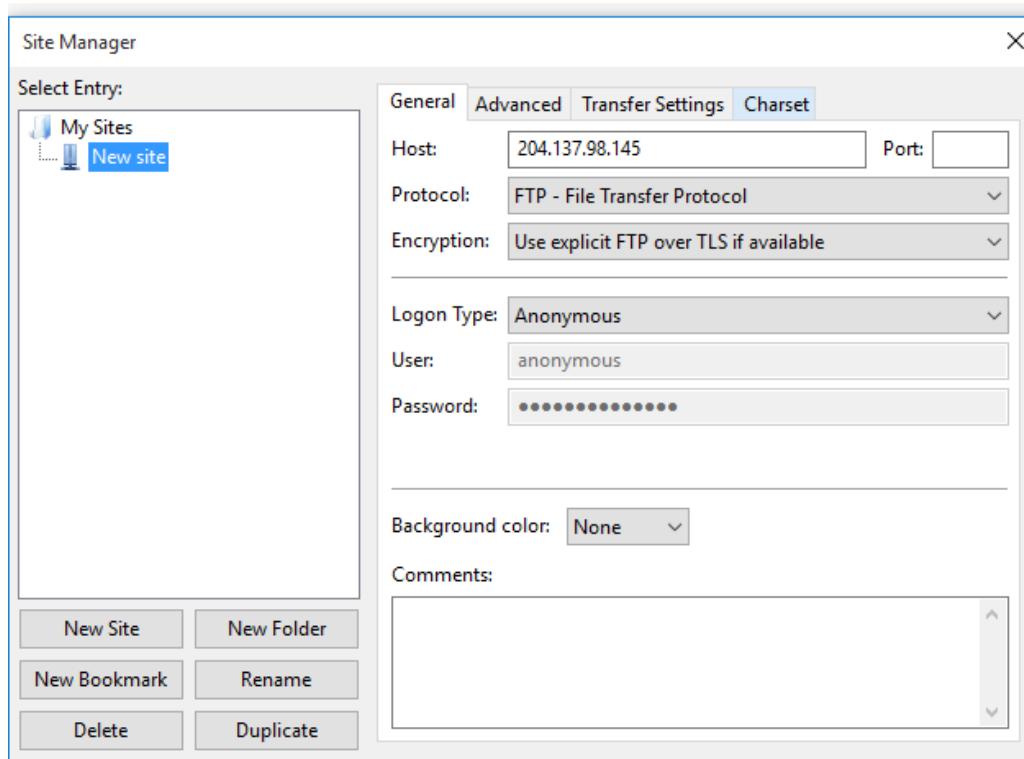
From Wireshark, the Intensive Scan provides more comprehensive details compared to the Quick Scan which normally only checks to see if a port is open while the Intensive Scan attempts to access the port to obtain details about service and machine. The Quick Scan showed port availability, but the detailed scan was much more through. To gain information on FTP, NetBIOS, configurations, the Intensive Scan also queried the victim using the query services (read-only) of the FTP and NetBIOS protocols.

Examples of protocol details in the Intensive Scan include:

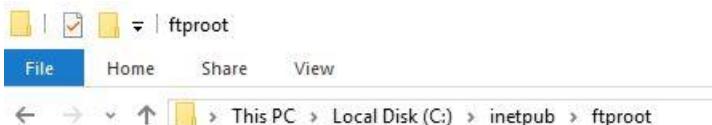
- i) NBNS – query of NetBios name of victim’s machine (Intensive only)
- ii) SMB – session setup and response to initiate remote login (Quick & Intensive but more detail, e.g. logon attempt)
- iii) FTP – scanned in both Quick and Intensive but tested in Intensive
- iv) Also possible are UDP / TCP / ICMP

3. Filezilla

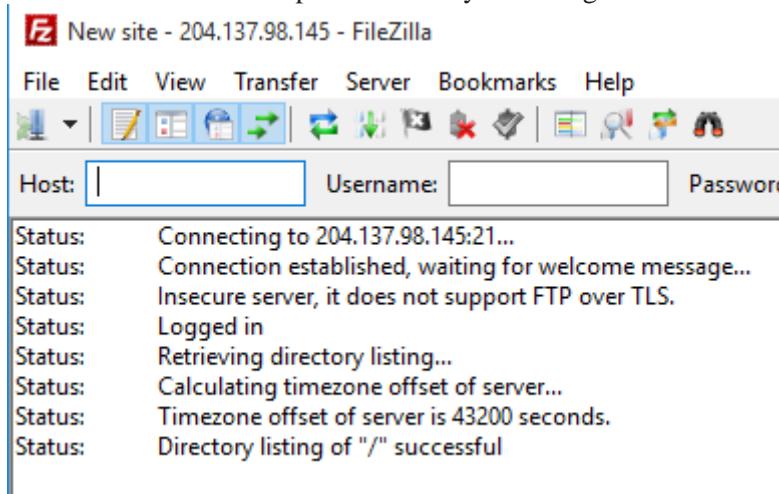
FileZilla is a cross-platform FTP application which can be used for Penetration Testing. It can test for anonymous access as well as the uploading/downloading of files. FTP is a very common service found on almost every server and the risks resulting from this need to be carefully tested.



From the external Penetration testing machine open Filezilla in the bottom row on Windows 10 and select File > Site Manager > New site and enter the necessary parameters as in the diagram above (204.137.98.145, FTP and anonymous/guest) and connect. If the FTP service is exposed then it may be possible to access ftproot via Port 21 as follows:



Now see if you can detect the files in the ftp root directory as in diagrams below:



Filename	Filesize	Filetype
..		
center.exe	106,496	Application
datepicker.js	14,310	JavaScript File
Highway_Blues.wma	760,748	WMA File
nessus_test	0	File
test.txt	22	Text Document

5 files. Total size: 881,576 bytes

4. Nessus

Login: Ray / P#ssw0rd

Having gained initial experience with Nmap (Zenmap) we will now use Nessus which is a valuable and widely used commercial comprehensive vulnerability scanner. It can be used for performing not just port scans but detailed vulnerability assessments using custom policies. The following steps show how to use Nessus:

On the external host machine (204.137.98.190) click on the desktop Nessus Web Client (If Microsoft Edge does not work try Chrome and enter <https://localhost:8834>) and login in with Ray / P#ssw0rd. You will see an earlier scan entitled “Bank Server Scan” which can be referred to later.

Nessus home

Ray

.....

Remember Me **Sign In**

Nessus Home / Scans

Scans | Policies | Ray | Settings | Notifications

Scans

New Scan

Scans / My Scans

Name: Bank Server Scan | Schedule: On Demand | Last Modified: August 9

My Scans

Trash

All Scans

New Folder

Upload

Search Scans

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Select *New Scan* and then choose *Basic Network Scan* from the Scan library.

The screenshot shows the Nessus interface with the 'Scan Library' selected. The 'Scanner' tab is active. A red circle highlights the 'Basic Network Scan' template, which is described as a 'full system scan suitable for any host'. Other templates visible include 'Advanced Scan', 'Audit Cloud Infrastructure', 'Badlock Detection', 'Bash Shellshock Detection', 'Host Discovery', 'Internal PCI Network Scan', 'Malware Scan', 'MDM Config Audit', 'Mobile Device Scan', 'Offline Config Audit', 'PCI Quarterly External Scan', 'Policy Compliance Auditing', and 'Web Application Tests'.

Consider these scan options which are available (above) and which may be important to your industry or commercial operation.

A number of the CVEs (Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures) can be found at www.cve.mitre.org – for example:

CVE-2016-2118 (<https://cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2016-2118>)

CVE-2016-0128 (<https://cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2016-0128>)

CVE-2016-0800 (<https://cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2016-0800>)

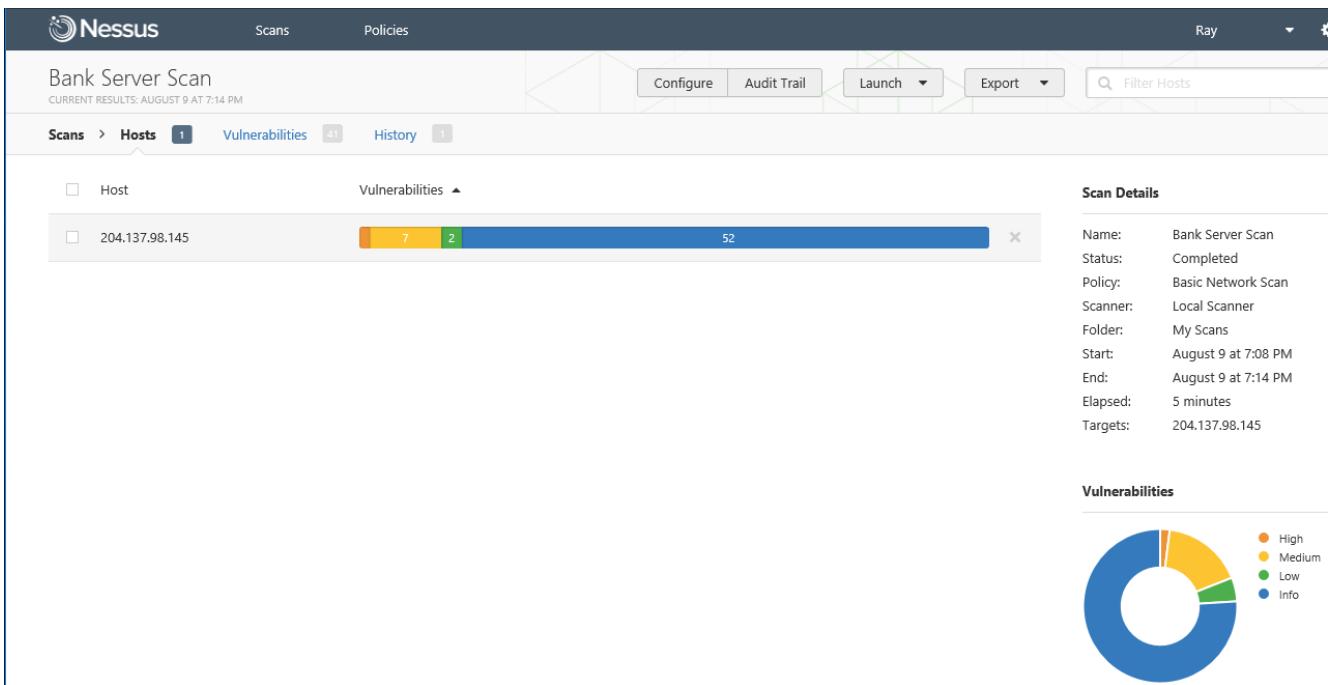
Now provide the credentials for your scan of Ray's Bank server and save:

The screenshot shows the Nessus interface for setting up a new network scan. The top navigation bar includes 'Scans' and 'Policies'. Below the title 'New Scan / Basic Network Sc...' is a breadcrumb trail: 'Scan Library > Settings > Credentials'. A left sidebar under 'BASIC' has sections for General, Schedule, Notifications, DISCOVERY, ASSESSMENT, REPORT, and ADVANCED. The 'General' section is selected. The main content area displays 'Settings / Basic / General' with fields for Name ('Scan of Ray's Bank'), Description ('Search for access to vulnerable services running on this bank server'), Folder ('My Scans'), and Targets ('204.137.98.145'). Buttons for 'Upload Targets' and 'Add File' are at the bottom. At the very bottom are 'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons.

Select the Scan then > More > Launch as in diagram below

The screenshot shows the Nessus interface for managing scans. The top navigation bar includes 'Scans' and 'Policies'. The left sidebar shows 'Scans' with options for 'New Scan', 'My Scans' (which is selected), 'Trash', and 'All Scans'. The main content area shows 'Scans / My Scans' with a table containing one row: 'Name' (checkbox) and 'Bank Server Scan' (checkbox checked). A context menu is open over the 'Bank Server Scan' row, with options: 'More', 'Configure', 'Copy to', 'Launch', 'Mark Unread', and 'Move to'.

When the scan is complete (typically takes 10-15 minutes) examine the vulnerability window and explain what you see.



Click on the colour bar showing the number of severity at each of the levels and explain what you see. Rather than explain each potential vulnerability in turn, they are grouped to provide an explanation of the relevance and importance for each of the vulnerabilities in the group.

For each category of severity – High, Medium, Low, Information – consider the meaning and significance of a vulnerability and in what way it does/does not affect your banks security.

Now go back to your Zenmap scan and compare with this Nessus scan. Are there issues raised in one which have not been discovered in the other? You may have to examine the Nessus scans in more detail to identify port numbers which are explicitly stated in the Zenmap scan but are more buried within each vulnerability description in Nessus.

Feel free to *export* your scan so that you can analyse it later.

Bank Server Scan
CURRENT RESULTS: AUGUST 9 AT 7:14 PM

Hosts > 204.137.98.145 > Vulnerabilities 41

<input type="checkbox"/> Severity ▲	Plugin Name	Plugin Family	Count
<input type="checkbox"/> HIGH	FTP Privileged Port Bounce Scan	FTP	1
<input type="checkbox"/> MEDIUM	Anonymous FTP Enabled	FTP	1
<input type="checkbox"/> MEDIUM	SMB Signing Disabled	Misc.	1
<input type="checkbox"/> MEDIUM	SSL Certificate Cannot Be Trusted	General	1
<input type="checkbox"/> MEDIUM	SSL Certificate Signed Using Weak Hashing Algorithm	General	1
<input type="checkbox"/> MEDIUM	SSL Self-Signed Certificate	General	1
<input type="checkbox"/> MEDIUM	SSL Version 2 and 3 Protocol Detection	Service detection	1
<input type="checkbox"/> MEDIUM	SSLv3 Padding Oracle On Downgraded Legacy Encryption Vulnerability (POODLE)	General	1
<input type="checkbox"/> LOW	FTP Supports Cleartext Authentication	FTP	1
<input type="checkbox"/> LOW	SSL RC4 Cipher Suites Supported (Bar Mitzvah)	General	1
<input type="checkbox"/> INFO	DCE Services Enumeration	Windows	9
<input type="checkbox"/> INFO	Nessus SYN scanner	Port scanners	7
<input type="checkbox"/> INFO	Service Detection	Service detection	4
<input type="checkbox"/> INFO	HTTP Methods Allowed (per directory)	Web Servers	2

Nessus

Scans Policies Configure

Bank Server Scan
CURRENT RESULTS: AUGUST 9 AT 7:14 PM

Hosts > 204.137.98.145 > Vulnerabilities 41

MEDIUM SSL Self-Signed Certificate

Description

The X.509 certificate chain for this service is not signed by a recognized certificate authority. If the remote host is a public host in production, this nullifies the use of SSL as anyone could establish a man-in-the-middle attack against the remote host.

Note that this plugin does not check for certificate chains that end in a certificate that is not self-signed, but is signed by an unrecognized certificate authority.

Solution

Purchase or generate a proper certificate for this service.

Output

```
The following certificate was found at the top of the certificate chain sent by the remote host, but is self-signed and was not found in the list of known certificate authorities :
|--Subject : CN=WIN-9F1DI8ATOCS
```

Port ▾	Hosts
443 / tcp / www	204.137.98.145

Both Zenmap and Nessus identify significant vulnerabilities associated with ports upon which SMB/CIFS operate (135, 137, 139, 445) as detailed below.

SMB/CIFS (Server Message Block/Common Internet File System) on ports 137 & 138 (UDP) and 139 (TCP) and 445 (UDP & TCP) all allow file and print sharing – frequently with no log in requirements. While convenient – this is security vulnerability?

The significant vulnerabilities are:

- a. A printer sharing service using CIFS provides shared access to the port which an attacker can exploit.
- b. Retrieving operating system details of the host remotely.
- c. Remotely logging into a host running a CIFS server without authentication (under the correct conditions).
- d. Remote registry access is disabled using *winreg* meaning the Nessus tool cannot scan the registry (in penetration testing situations).
- e. It is possible to gain a list of nearby Windows hosts.

Other possibilities include:

Remote host can be accessed by a NULL session

OS version, LAN manager, host name can all be retrieved from remote machine

Browse list can be obtained from remote host, i.e. list of shared files and directions are available.

Notes: You may find a few unfamiliar acronyms in the scan report:

CVSS – Common Vulnerability Scoring System

CVE – Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures

BID – Bugtraq ID

OSVDB – Open Source Vulnerability Database

Part B: – Intrusion Detection System using SNORT/SNORBY

1 Overview

Most attacks on computers were determined by manually checking the audit logs for unusual or malicious behaviour. However, with the increase in sophistication and volume of data generated, real-time analysis of these logs was needed. Intrusion detection systems were created to analyse audit logs as they were generated. As we covered in the accompanying lectures, based on the method used for detection, the approaches can be either misuse detection or anomaly detection.

- Misuse detectors look for sets of events that match a predefined pattern of a known attack. These patterns are also called signatures and so misuse detectors are also called signature-based detectors. Misuse detectors generate a low rate of false-positives. However, they need to be constantly upgraded with the signatures of the attacks that need to be detected.
- Anomaly detectors operate on the assumption that attacks are significantly different from legitimate activity and by detecting these differences the attacks can be identified. They construct profiles representing legitimate activity of users, hosts and network devices over a period of time. Currently threshold detection and statistical measures are widely used in the anomaly detection. Other measures like neural networks, genetic algorithms etc are less frequently used. However, anomaly detectors produce a large number for false positives and also require a large number of legitimate activities to be trained to recognise valid actions.

Based on their information source intrusion detection systems (IDS) can be classified into:

- network-based IDSS
- host-based IDSS
- hybrid IDSS
- application based IDSS (subset of host-based IDSS)

Most commercial IDSSs are network-based. They detect attacks by capturing and analysing network packets. They have the advantage of covering a large network with a few well-placed IDSSs. They are usually passive devices and can be made invisible to attackers and hence are very secure against attacks. However, network-based IDSSs do not always perform well under high network loads.

Host-based IDSSs are installed on an individual computer system and collect information from that system with greater precision and reliability. They typically use system logs and operating system audit trails to check for intrusions. They can view attacks that a network based IDS cannot. However, host-based IDS are harder to manage and have a processing cost on the system that they monitor.

Application-based IDSSs are actually a subset of Host-based IDSSs that monitor a software application by analysing its transaction log files. Application-based IDSSs can directly trace unauthorised activity to the responsible users. However, they are also more vulnerable to false analysis as the application logs are not well-protected. Also, they cannot detect and guard against Trojan horse malware. They are always used in combination with Host-based and Network-based IDSSs.

2. SNORT

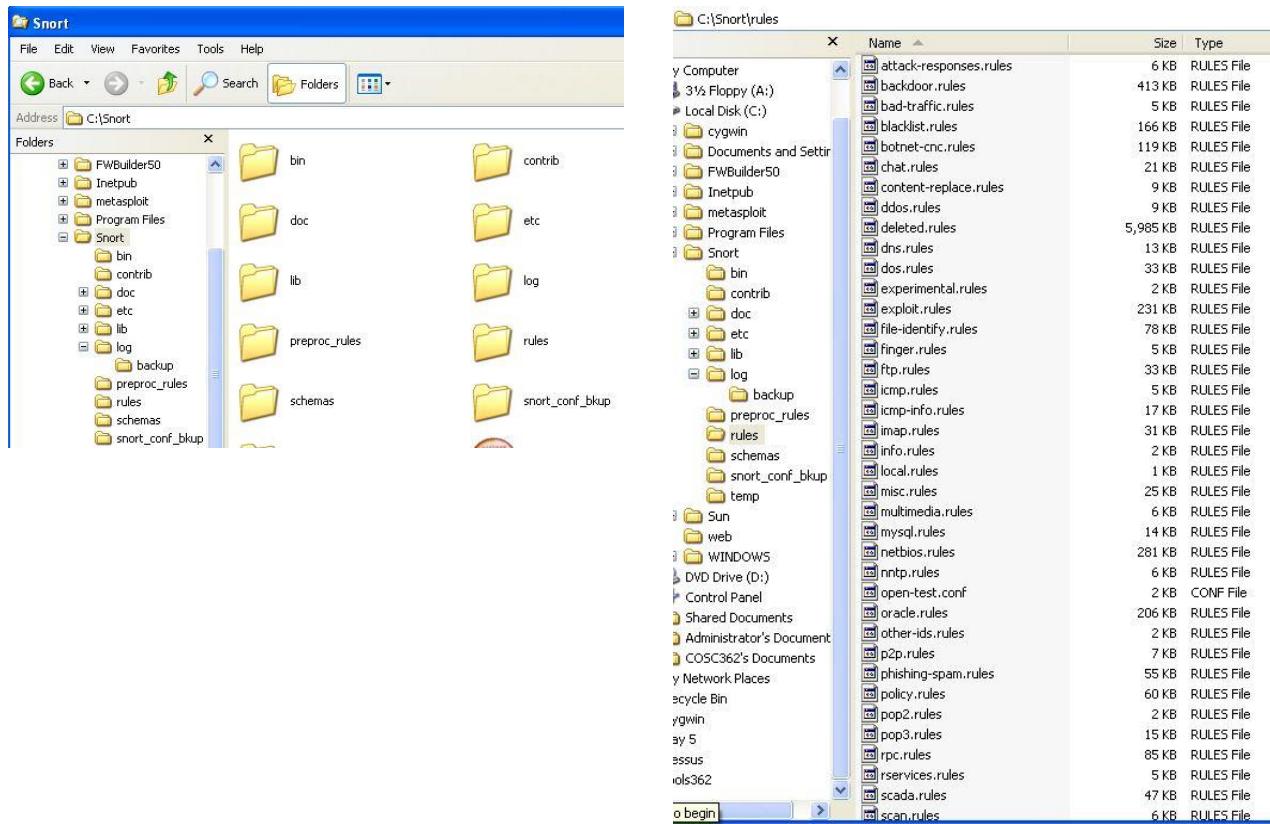
Snort is an open source network intrusion prevention system (NIPS) and network intrusion detection system (NIDS), with the ability to perform real-time traffic analysis and packet logging. Snort performs protocol analysis, content searching, and content matching. The program can also be used to detect probes and attacks, including operating system fingerprinting attempts, common gateway interface attacks, buffer overflows, server message block probes, and stealth port scans.

Snort can be configured in three main modes: - sniffer, packet logger, and network intrusion detection but we will use it in intrusion detection mode in this workshop.

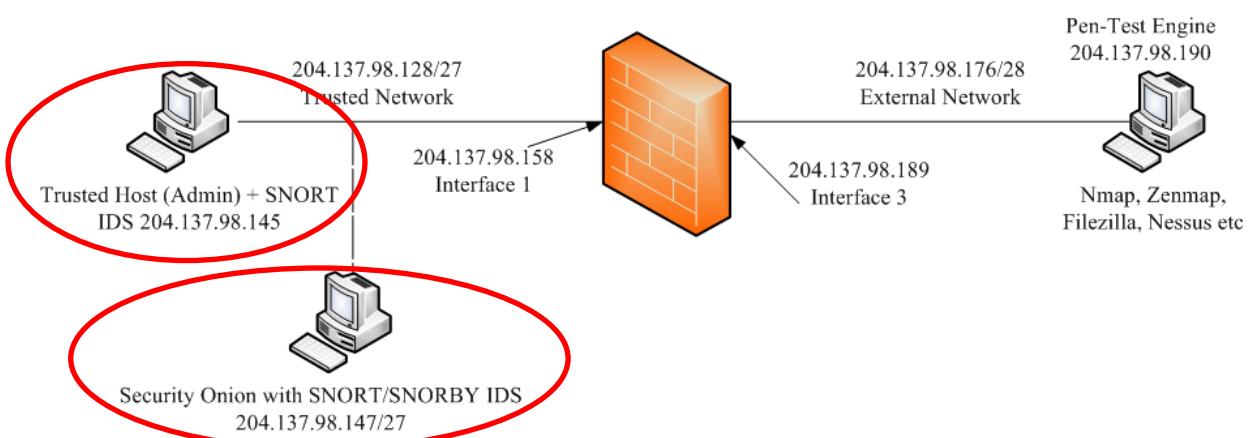
- In *sniffer mode*, the program will read network packets and display them on the console.
- In *packet logger mode*, the program will log packets to the disk.
- In *intrusion detection mode*, the program will monitor network traffic and analyse it against a rule set defined by the user. The program will then perform a specific action based on what has been identified.

There are two ways that we can use SNORT in this workshop:

1. Installation on current server. This is a 100 MB IDS engine and only produces text-based (non-graphical) output. This installation includes a detailed set of schemes and rules which need to be regularly updated to remain current and a sample is shown below.



2. SNORBY which is a graphical version of SNORT and a commercial tool widely used in practice. It is run on a separate machine in the same network as the server being monitored by the IDS process and monitors the server's interfaces for intrusions. It is a 5GB Graphical engine compared with the SNORT Installation in 1 above which is only 100MB in comparison.



This lab will involve running both of these IDS options for experience and comparison. In both cases the server under investigation is Ray's Bank (204.137.98.145). In each case we will analyse the basic concepts of intrusion detection systems – involving penetration testing and analysis at both the network and application level. SNORT is a very useful tool as it combines both network vulnerability analysis which then can then lead to vulnerabilities in the upper (application) layer.

3. Configuring SNORT on the Ray's Bank on the trusted network

Use the following steps to set up SNORT on Ray's Bank (204.137.98.145):

1. From the previous penetration testing laboratories, both 204.137.98.190 and 204.137.98.145 should be able to ping each other thus confirming connectivity.
2. For background information the following has been done but is included as background. On the bank machine ensure that the snort.conf file has the correct IP Address (trusted network). C: > SNORT > etc. Navigate to the snort.conf file in the snort folder and about line 45 check that the IP Address is the same as your current machine upon which SNORT is running. If it is not, right click and edit with Notepad++.

(Note also for editing ipvar HOME_NET 204.137.98.128/27 and ipvar EXTERNAL_NET any)

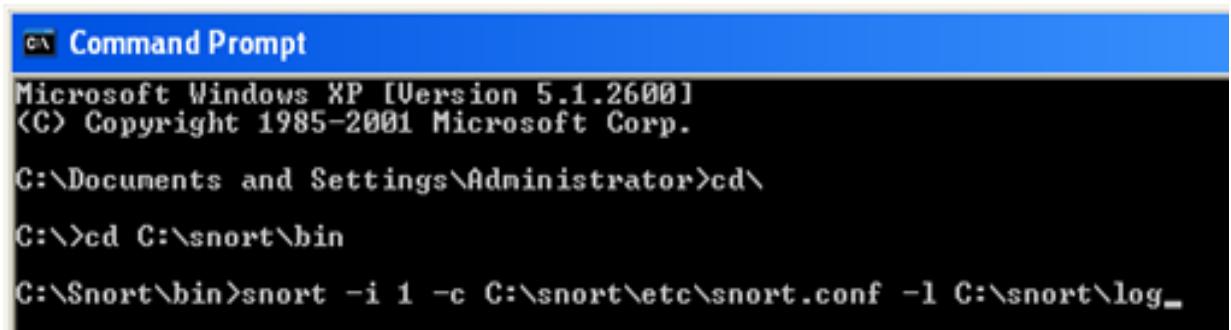
3. We will now set up SNORT to run as an IDS on this bank server. Click on the Command Prompt icon on the desktop to start up a terminal. Next navigate to C:\snort\bin using the commands:

```
> cd\  
> cd C:\snort\bin
```

4. Now enter the following command but enter (do not copy and paste this command as hidden characters can cause errors) carefully into the console **but do not press enter yet**:

```
> snort -i 1 -c C:\snort\etc\snort.conf -l C:\snort\log  
-i 1           specifies interface number 1  
-c C:\snort     specifies the configuration file  
-l C:\snort     specifies the log directory (note that it is l and not 1 !!)
```

Note: be very clear where we are referring to a “1” one interface and “l” for log fie location.



```
Command Prompt  
Microsoft Windows XP [Version 5.1.2600]  
(C) Copyright 1985-2001 Microsoft Corp.  
C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator>cd\  
C:\>cd C:\snort\bin  
C:\Snort\bin>snort -i 1 -c C:\snort\etc\snort.conf -l C:\snort\log_
```

Snort startup Command on bank server in trusted network

5. Next navigate to C:\snort\log in the windows explorer and delete any files you find there – apart from the Backup Folder as these will have resulted from previous IDS activity and new files will be created when SNORT runs this time.
6. Now go to the external machine (204.137.98.190) and start-up FileZilla (this is a useful FTP program with a GUI to make operation easier) and enter the IP address of the bank server machine in the host field of the initial window in FileZilla **but do not attempt to connect yet**. Also start up Zenmap (for the port scan) on this same external machine and enter the IP

address of 204.137.98.145 in the target field, choose to run a profile - *Intense scan but do not start the scan yet.*

- At this stage you can review what is being set up. The external machine will be running a port scan (Zenmap) and the victim bank server will detect and log this activity using SNORT. Next – having discovered vulnerabilities in this part of the exercise – we will further investigate sample vulnerabilities which will have become identified in the IDS port scans and alertlogs. Bear in mind these techniques and approaches are directed to network rather than application security which will be better addressed using the SNORBY GUI engine.

Part I: (IDS tracking of port scan by SNORT)

- From the bank server enter to commence the SNORT pre-processor engine. When SNORT starts up you should see a similar output to the screen image below and finally it will start processing the network packets and display as shown in the following diagram. SNORT has not fully loaded until you see “Commencing packet processing (pid=xxxx)”. (See in window below).

```
Snort! <-->
Version 2.9.2.1-ODBC-MySQL-WIN32 IPv6 GRE <Build 107>
By Martin Roesch & The Snort Team: http://www.snort.org/snort/snort-t
eam
Copyright (C) 1998-2012 Sourcefire, Inc., et al.
Using PCRE version: 8.10 2010-06-25
Using ZLIB version: 1.2.3

Rules Engine: SF_SNORT_DETECTION_ENGINE Version 1.15 <Build 18>
Preprocessor Object: SF_SSLPP <IPV6> Version 1.1 <Build 4>
Preprocessor Object: SF_SSH <IPV6> Version 1.1 <Build 3>
Preprocessor Object: SF_SMTP <IPV6> Version 1.1 <Build 9>
Preprocessor Object: SF_SIP <IPV6> Version 1.1 <Build 1>
Preprocessor Object: SF_SDF <IPV6> Version 1.1 <Build 1>
Preprocessor Object: SF_REPUTATION <IPV6> Version 1.1 <Build 1>
Preprocessor Object: SF_POP <IPV6> Version 1.0 <Build 1>
Preprocessor Object: SF_MODBUS <IPV6> Version 1.1 <Build 1>
Preprocessor Object: SF_IMAP <IPV6> Version 1.0 <Build 1>
Preprocessor Object: SF_GTP <IPV6> Version 1.1 <Build 1>
Preprocessor Object: SF_FTPTELNET <IPV6> Version 1.2 <Build 13>
Preprocessor Object: SF_DNS <IPV6> Version 1.1 <Build 4>
Preprocessor Object: SF_DNP3 <IPV6> Version 1.1 <Build 1>
Preprocessor Object: SF_DCERPC2 <IPV6> Version 1.0 <Build 3>

Commencing packet processing <pid=3340>
```

SNORT Startup Screen

- You are about to connect to the bank server using FileZilla which requires anonymous FTP access to be allowed on this machine (and will already be available from your earlier experiments). Check that this is in fact the case by (on bank server) going to IIS services from the shortcut on the desktop or by going Start → Control Panel → Administrative Tools → IIS Server (XP) or the equivalent on Windows 10. Naturally anonymous FTP should have been allowed for this to work.
- Next go to the external host and click on Quickconnect in FileZilla to use anonymous FTP to connect to the FTP folder in the bank server. After the connection is successful start the Zenmap scan from the external machine.
- Do a normal ping from a DOS prompt and then start the Zenmap scan and allow it to run to completion (takes some minutes) then navigate to the SNORT log folder on the bank server.
- C:\Snort\log and see what information has been captured by SNORT and logged in the *postscan* and *alertlog* file as these are the most significant of the four files created.

Part II: (IDS tracking by SNORT of exploits resulting from discovery in Part I)

13. Navigate to the log folder on the bank server (204.137.98.145), i.e. C:\Snort\log but SNORT will have to be terminated (CTL C) before viewing *alertlog*.

There will be folders/files named:

- *alertlog* (*open this file with notepad and not wordpad*)
- *Portscan* (*open with notepad*)
- *merged*
- *tcpdump.log.xxxxxxx* (*open this file with Wireshark which is on your server*)

14. Draw a diagram showing the machine upon which Zenmap and Nessus runs, the firewall and the machine upon which SNORT runs. Include all IP addresses so you demonstrate a clear and logical picture of the penetration testing and intrusion detection activities.

Victim machine 204.137.98.145 machine running SNORT
.. connected to
Firewall interface 204.137.98.158 – internal and 204.137.98.189 – external
Attack machine 204.137.98.190 running Zenmap and Nessus

15. Open the *Portscan* file using Notepad and examine the results resulting from SNORT's detection of the Zenmap scan and operation of FileZilla. List the open ports through which this scan has come and which have been detected by SNORT noting the source and destination addresses.

Open ports from 204.137.98.190 (source) to 204.137.98.145 (destination) are:
21, 445, 139, 25, 135, 1062

Two other open ports 1157 and 1158 likely to be logging ports to firewall administration logging host.

There is a UDP port sweep at end on 169.254.163.160 -> 169.254.255.255 but this is likely to be related to underlying VM platform.

16. Next open up *alertlog* using Notepad.

- i) Observe how SNORT has reported on your ping as well as the ping resulting from running Zenmap. Use Wireshark and examine the protocol details of the two ping methods. From the alertlog file how does SNORT identify that a particular ping emanates from a tool like Zenmap in comparison with a normal ping?
- ii) What has SNORT observed about the use of FTP anonymous access and what port numbers were used at each end?
- iii) For what reason does SNORT class SMB (ports 137-8, 445) as potentially bad traffic?
- iv) SNORT has a classification of vulnerabilities by priority number. What priority levels did you observe? (See Snort Priority Classifications on following page)

- (i) In alertlog a normal ping has a payload of about 32 bytes (abcdefg....) of padded data and the hex code is 0x0200. For the ping from Zenmap there is no payload and the identifier is 0x02e9. Check which is 0x2d49 too. SNORT also provided a warning for ICMP pings as possible “attempted information leakage”
- (ii) SNORT has detected FTP anonymous access between ports 4604 (varies) on 204.137.98.190 and port 21 on 204.137.98.145
- (iii) File sharing possible without login ID and password
- (iv) See further details below but examples are classification of activities, UDP port sweep filtered at end of report, port scan with classification – attempted information leak – priority =2, NMAP ping with classification – attempted information leak – priority =2. There is also a Priority 0 for the FTP anonymous login!

17. Open the final file in the SNORT log folder (tcpdump.log.xxxxx) with Wireshark. Explain what you see from the traces of the packet exchanges and how this relates to what you observed in the Portscan and alertlog files.

Wireshark reports the details of each packet captured and transferred between source and destination IP addresses in a structured form which cannot be seen in the SNORT port scan and alertlog files, although detected connection attempts can be seen in both cases. There are some details captured by SNORT but not displayed in Wireshark.

The Wireshark packet exchanges show the actual information whereas SNORT port scan and alertlog files report on the potential harm / issues with these packets.

While SNORT alerted us to the different “perceived attacks” in the alertlog and port scanning operations in the portscan file, the corresponding Wireshark packet capture includes the actual traffic which flowed through the firewall.

The actual ICMP ping packets and the FTP traffic which arrived can be seen in the SNORT files. SNORT thus takes a packet capture at the time of perceived malicious activity while Wireshark provides a continuous window on all traffic which flows between specified IP addresses.

18. When you have finished using SNORT – navigate to the terminal window running SNORT and use Ctrl+C to shut it down.

Snort Priority Classifications (1 to 4)		
SNORT User Manual 2.9.6 (http://manual.snort.org/snort_manual.html)		
Classtype	Description	Priority
attempted-admin	Attempted Administrator Privilege Gain	high (1)
attempted-user	Attempted User Privilege Gain	high
inappropriate-content	Inappropriate Content was Detected	high
policy-violation	Potential Corporate Privacy Violation	high
shellcode-detect	Executable code was detected	high
successful-admin	Successful Administrator Privilege Gain	high
successful-user	Successful User Privilege Gain	high
trojan-activity	A Network Trojan was detected	high
unsuccessful-user	Unsuccessful User Privilege Gain	high
web-application-attack	Web Application Attack	high
attempted-dos	Attempted Denial of Service	medium (2)
attempted-recon	Attempted Information Leak	medium
bad-unknown	Potentially Bad Traffic	medium
default-login-attempt	Attempt to login by a default username and password	medium
denial-of-service	Detection of a Denial of Service Attack	medium
misc-attack	Misc Attack	medium
non-standard-protocol	Detection of a non-standard protocol/event	medium
rpc-portmap-decode	Decode of an RPC Query	medium
successful-dos	Denial of Service	medium
successful-recon-largescale	Large Scale Information Leak	medium
successful-recon-limited	Information Leak	medium
suspicious-filename-detect	A suspicious filename was detected	medium
suspicious-login	An attempted login using a suspicious username was detected	medium
system-call-detect	A system call was detected	medium
unusual-client-port-connection	A client was using an unusual port	medium
web-application-activity	Access to a potentially vulnerable web application	medium
icmp-event	Generic ICMP event	low (3)
misc-activity	Misc activity	low
network-scan	Detection of a Network Scan	low
not-suspicious	Not Suspicious Traffic	low
protocol-command-decode	Generic Protocol Command Decode	low
string-detect	A suspicious string was detected	low
unknown	Unknown Traffic	low
tcp-connection	A TCP connection was detected	very low (4)

Snorby and Security Onion

Security Onion is a Linux distribution for intrusion detection, network security monitoring, and log management. It is based on Ubuntu and contains:

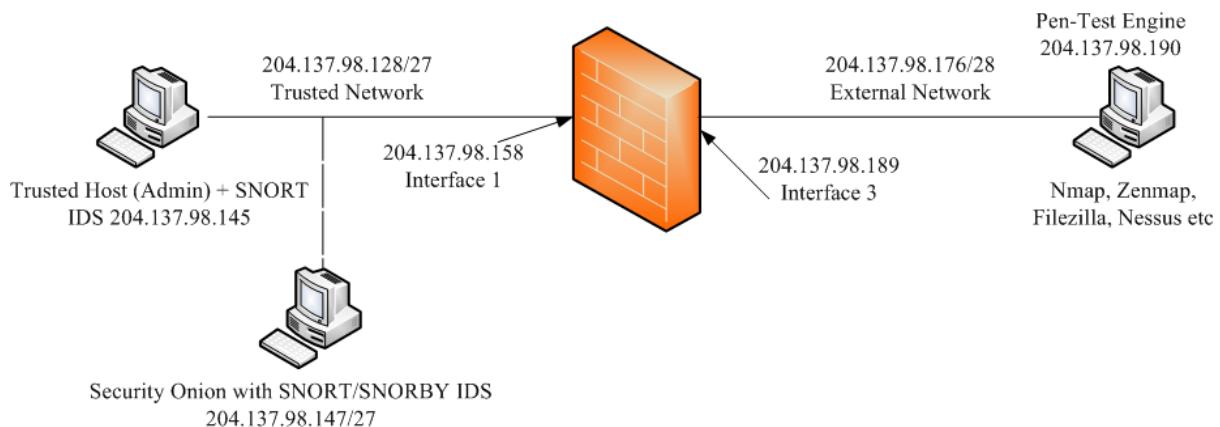
- Snort – is an open source network intrusion prevention system (NIPS) and network intrusion detection system (NIDS), with the ability to perform real-time traffic analysis and packet logging. Snort performs protocol analysis, content searching, and content matching. The program can also be used to detect probes and attacks, including operating system fingerprinting attempts, common gateway interface attacks, buffer overflows, server message block probes, and stealth port scans.
- Suricata – a recent variation on Snort.
- Bro – an open source Unix based network monitoring framework. Often compared to a Network Intrusion Detection System (NIDS), Bro can be used to build a NIDS and can also be used for collecting network measurements, conducting forensic investigations and for traffic analysis. Bro has elements of tcpdump, Snort, and netflow (CISCO).
- Sguil – a collection of software components for Network Security Monitoring (NSM) which operates by collection, analysis, and escalation of indications and warnings to detect and respond to intrusions as well as event driven analysis of IDS alerts. The Sguil client is written in Tcl/Tk. Sguil integrates alert data from Snort, session data from SANCP (Security Analyst Network Connection Profiler www.metre.net), and full content data from a second instance of Snort running in packet logger mode. Sguil's main component is an intuitive GUI that provides access to realtime events, session data, and raw packet captures.
- Squert – used to view NIDS/HIDS (Network/Host IDS) alerts and HTTP logs. Squert is a web application that is used to query and view event data stored in a Sguil database (typically IDS alert data). Squert is a visual tool that attempts to provide additional context to events through the use of metadata, time series representations and weighted and logically grouped result sets.
- Snorby – views and annotates Snort IDS alerts. It uses a Ruby on Rails application for network security monitoring and links to many of the items in this list and produces elaborate GUI displays to be studied in the workshop.
- ELSA – (Enterprise Log and Search Archive) which searches logs (IDS, Bro, syslog)
- Xplico –processes .pcap files in a similar way to NetworkMiner and Wireshark
- NetworkMiner – is a Network Forensic Analysis Tool (NFAT) for Windows. It can be used as a passive network sniffer/packet capturing tool in order to detect operating systems, sessions, hostnames and open ports without putting any traffic on the network. NetworkMiner can also parse .pcap files for off-line analysis and to regenerate/reassemble transmitted files and certificates from .pcap files.

Security Onion is a platform that permits the monitoring of a network for security alerts. It is simple enough to run in small environments without many issues and allows advanced users to deploy distributed systems that can be used in network enterprise type environments. However its construction in to Virtual Machines and to get it operating is very complex.

Configuration

In the previous exercise the *Snort intrusion detection system* produced output via text files (Alertlog and Portscan). Although it is possible to feed these files into Snorby via the Security Onion suite – it is a complex and difficult process. Therefore we will run Snorby/Snort on a separate virtual machine (204.137.98.147) but still monitoring the trusted host (204.137.98.145). The following diagrams describe how to establish the Snort/Snorby engine.

Make sure that you still have the *pen-test.xml* configuration file loaded onto the firewall. Build and ping test this network below to match the following configuration diagram.



Start up the Snorby VM entitled *Snorby_Master*

In answer to I moved it or I copied it respond: I *moved* it, as it is not a CentOS VM.



Login into Security Onion with ID/PW *snorby/P#ssw0rd*

Ensure that the management interface is configured to: eth1: 204.137.98.147/27 and the monitoring interface (server) is configured to eth0: 204.137.98.145/27. Snorby runs a monitoring interface for traffic sent to 204.137.98.145.

Ensure that you can ping between the two Security Onion interfaces (204.137.98.145, 204.137.98.147), and the firewall interfaces (204.137.98.158). As a rule, Snorby does not respond to pings from external devices.

Click on and open the Snorby engine in Security Onion and login with ID/PW of ***snorby@snorby.org/password*** (different from previous password above!). You should now have the Snorby Dashboard displayed. With graphs displaying counts of High, Medium and Low Snort severity events.



Re running the FileZilla and Zenmap

Go back to what you did before prepare FileZilla and Zenmap but without starting immediately. This relates to Steps 6 & 7 on p21-22. Now the FileZilla and Zenmap tests are directed at the server (204.137.98.145) and Snorby (204.137.98.147) is monitoring the 204.137.98.145 address and detecting intrusion according to the Snort rules and will now produce some interesting graphical output.

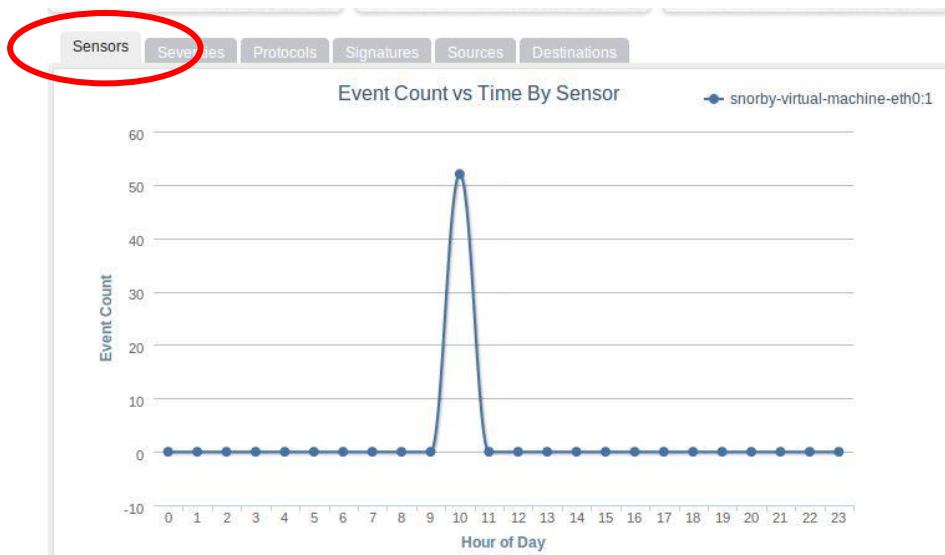
You may not see the High, Medium and Low Snort severity events graphs start immediately as there is always delay because of the very complex processing. If the message “current caching” is being displayed then processing is underway and you will have to wait. Remember that this is a 4.5GB full commercial graphical process in engine.

However it is possible to generate updating by selecting:

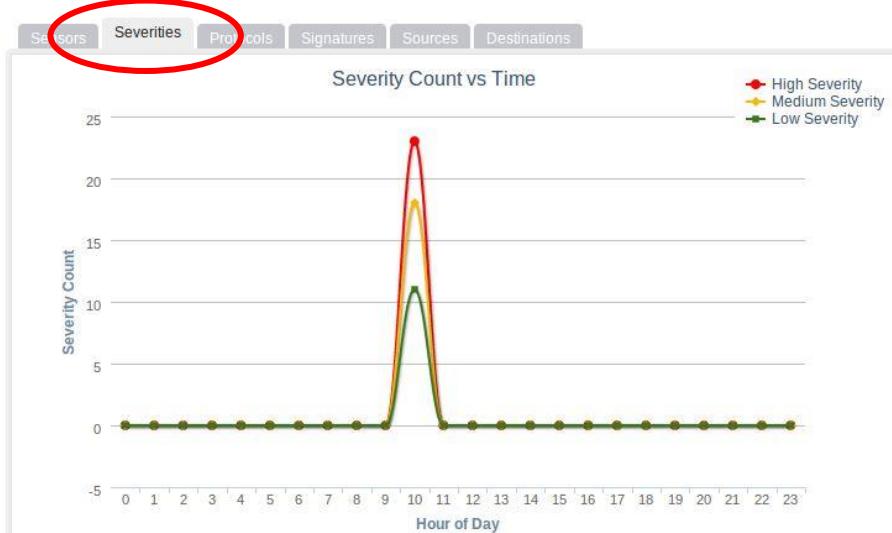
Once FileZilla and Intense Nmap scan has finished, you should see graphs along the lines of:

The screenshot shows the Snorby dashboard interface. At the top, there are three large boxes displaying event counts by severity: High Severity (23), Medium Severity (18), and Low Severity (11). Below these are tabs for Sensors, Severities, Protocols, Signatures, Sources, and Destinations. To the right, there are sections for 'TOP 5 SENSOR' (snorby-virtual-machine-eth0:1), 'TOP 5 ACTIVE USERS' (Administrator), and 'LAST 5 UNIQUE EVENTS' (ET POLICY FTP Login Success, GPL WEB_SERVER 403 Forbidden, ET SCAN Nmap Scripting Engine...).

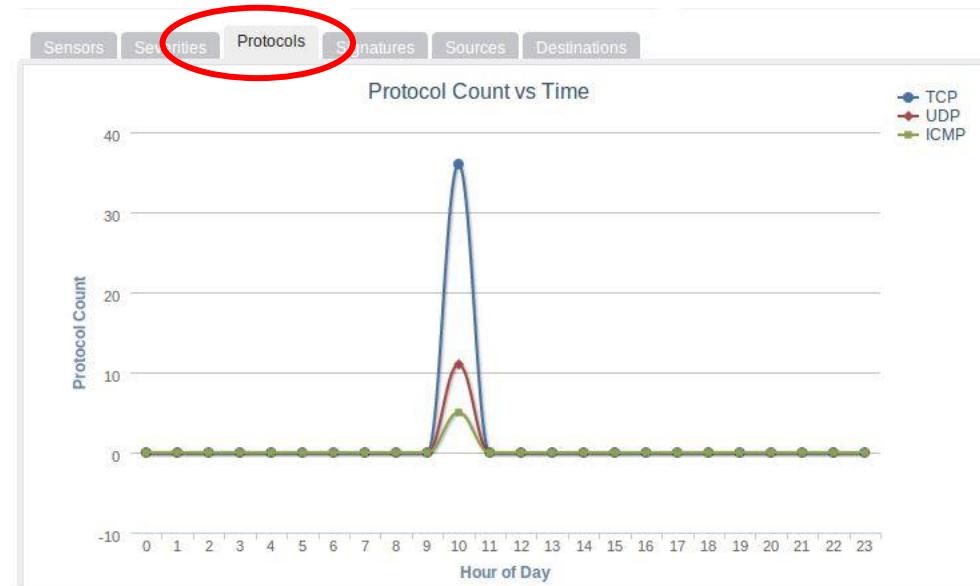
Dashboard – High, Medium, Low Severity



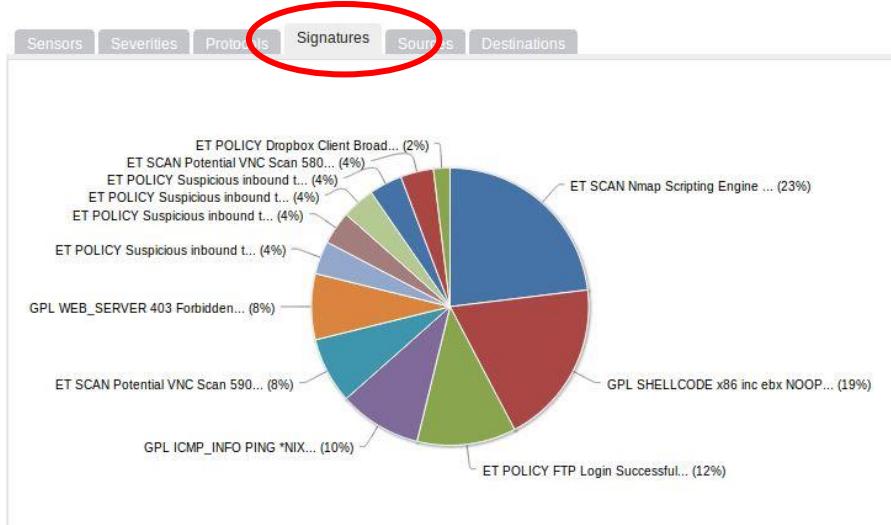
Event Count from eth0 Interface (204.137.98.145)



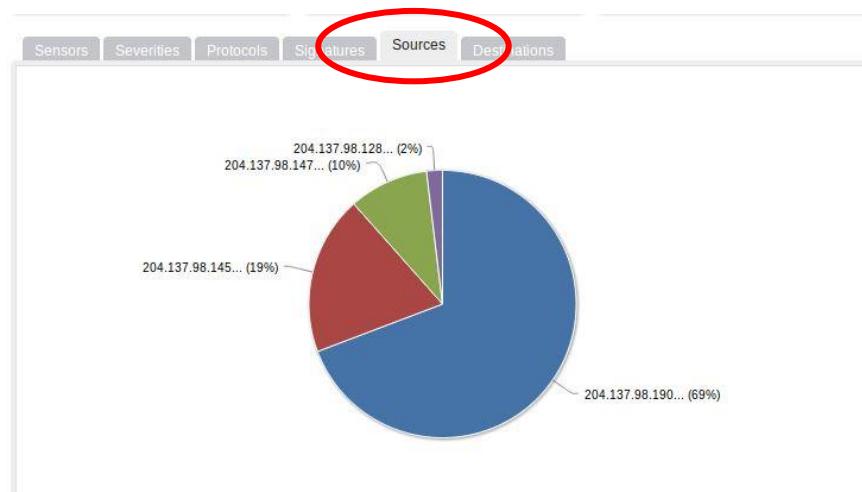
Severity (High, Medium, Low) Count from eth0 Interface



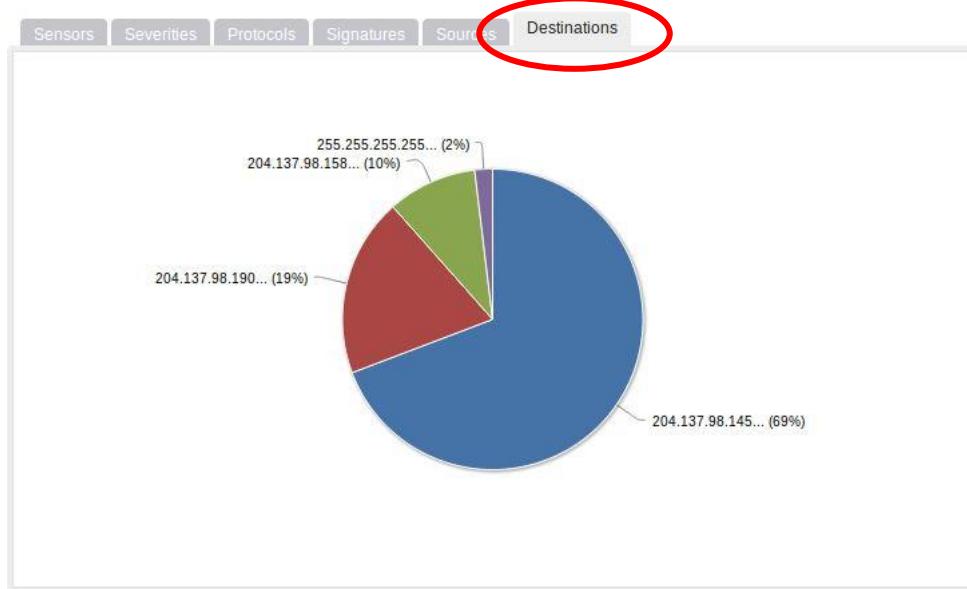
Protocols of Intrusion Scans at eth0 Interface



Signatures of Intrusion Scans at eth0 Interface



IP Source Addresses of Intrusion Scans at eth0 Interface

*IP Destination Addresses of Intrusion Scans at eth0 Interface*

Note 1: Because these statistics are cumulative and it is very difficult to reset Snorby counters and statistics, it is best to make a copy of your graph with the snipping tool and then compare it with the results at a later stage.

Note 2: ET Scan (Emerging Threat Scan)

Note 3: NoOp (NOOP) is the short form of No Operation and is a simple command that does not do anything to the results list, but can assist as a blind helper for some operations. Examples:

The first example checks the environment variable greeting to see whether it is set to HelloWorld, and if so, lets the scanner skip the following 10 lines during scans. The second example operates similarly, but tests only for the existence of an environment variable before skipping.

NoOp:"chkenv=greeting:HelloWorld,skipcount=10"

NoOp:"isenv=greeting,skipcount=10"

Exercises to be carried out.

1. Each scan e.g. intense, quick, regular, slow comprehensive, ping, quick traceroute etc and different uses of FileZilla will produce different responses from the Snorby engine. Capture your own dashboard statistics along with event severity count, protocols, signatures and IP addresses. Explain the risks (low, medium, high) based upon the statistics that you have collected in order that you can make a quantitative risk assessment. Try not to just produce a replica scan of the examples above. Now start the Nessus scan (page 7) and noting the new time, see if different or similar intrusions can be detected. Are there new signatures detected for example?
2. Include your own captured Severity Settings table (example below)

Severity Settings						
ID	Name	Background	Text	Signature Count	Event Count	Example
1	High Severity	#ff0000	#fffff	15	4,649	1
2	Medium Severity	#fab908	#fffff	34	633	2
3	Low Severity	#3a781a	#fffff	4	17	3

Snorby's three security settings (cf Snort Priority Classifications (1 to 4))

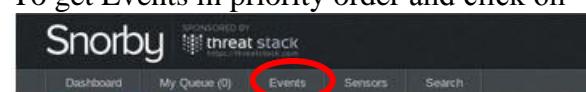
Now choose *three different* types of high, medium and low security events and explain why these intrusions might cause our network to be at risk. Make sure that each such event is of a different type. You will likely have to carry out some research to answer this question adequately.

The diagram below demonstrates one such example – viz that of a high (Priority 1) security event involving the GPL MISC RSH root signature.

The screenshot shows two instances of a GPL MISC rsh root event. The top instance is a summary table with columns: Sev., Sensor, Source IP, Destination IP, Event Signature, and Timestamp. It shows a priority 1 event from 'snorby-virtual-' to '204.137.98.146' with timestamp '09/10/2014'. The bottom instance is a detailed view with tabs for IP Header Information, Signature Information, TCP Header Information, References, Payload, and Notes. The IP Header table shows source and destination IPs, version 4, header length 5, type of service 0, total length 53, ID 65259, flags 0, offset 0, TTL 128, protocol 6, and checksum 40352. The Signature Information table shows generator ID 2100610, sig. ID 6, activity 0.09%, category attempted-admin, and links to Query Signature Database and View Rule. The TCP Header table shows source port 1023, destination port 514, sequence number 1617352482, acknowledgement number 271147592, offset 5, reserved 0, flags 24, window size 64240, checksum 30578, and urgent pointer 0. The References table lists 'arachNIDS' with value 391. The Payload section shows hex data 0000000: 72 6f 6f 74 00 72 6f 6f 74 00 69 64 00 and ASCII text 'root.root.id.'. A note at the bottom says 'Note: This event was generated by Snorby's own internal ruleset.'

The first diagram below shows an example of Priority 1 events which need careful attention while the second diagram shows the last five categories of unique events and how many such events there were in each of these categories.

To get Events in priority order and click on “sev” in the top row to reorder:



Listing Sessions (69 unique unclassified sessions)						Hotkeys	Classify Event(s)	Filter Options
	Sev.	Sensor	Source IP	Destination IP	Event Signature	Timestamp	Sessions	
		1 snorby-virtual-	204.137.98.190	204.137.98.145	GPL WEB_SERVER viewcode access	10:46 AM	1	
		1 snorby-virtual-	204.137.98.190	204.137.98.145	GPL EXPLOIT ISAPI .idq attempt	10:45 AM	2	
		1 snorby-virtual-	204.137.98.190	204.137.98.145	GPL EXPLOIT iissamples access	10:45 AM	9	
		1 snorby-virtual-	204.137.98.145	204.137.98.190	ET SCAN Potential FTP Brute-Force attempt	10:44 AM	3	
		1 snorby-virtual-	204.137.98.190	204.137.98.145	ET WEB_SERVER Barracuda Spam Firewall img.pl Remote D...	10:46 AM	1	
		1 snorby-virtual-	204.137.98.190	204.137.98.145	GPL WEB_SERVER perl post attempt	10:45 AM	1	
		1 snorby-virtual-	204.137.98.190	204.137.98.145	ET WEB_SERVER Script tag in URI, Possible Cross Site Scrip...	10:46 AM	89	
		1 snorby-virtual-	204.137.98.128	255.255.255.255	ET POLICY Dropbox Client Broadcasting	10:08 AM	1	
		1 snorby-virtual-	204.137.98.190	204.137.98.145	GPL WEB_SERVER iisadmin access	10:45 AM	1	

The screenshot shows the Snorby Administration dashboard with the following sections:

- TOP 5 SENSOR:** snorby-virtual-machine-eth0:1 (970 events)
- TOP 5 ACTIVE USERS:** Administrator (0 events)
- LAST 5 UNIQUE EVENTS:**
 - ET SCAN Nessus FTP Scan d... (62 events)
 - GPL FTP CWD Root director... (1 event)
 - ET POLICY FTP Login Succes... (70 events)
 - GPL FTP CWD ... (10 events)
 - GPL FTP CWD attempt (1 event)
- ANALYST CLASSIFIED EVENTS:**
 - Unauthorized Root Access (0 events)
 - Unauthorized User Access (0 events)

Use “more options” and select *Force Cache Update* to refresh dashboard.

Speed Guide Port Analysis for SNORBY – you will need access to the Internet for this, e.g.

<http://www.speedguide.net/port.php?port=80>

Put in port number:

- 1433 Microsoft SQL Server
- 3306 MYSQL database server connection
- 5432 Postgres SQL database
- 1521 Oracle database default listener port for SQL

These ports can be seen from Administration → Signatures and they are grouped. Various port numbers can be seen. Also the pdf report (More Options → Export to pdf).

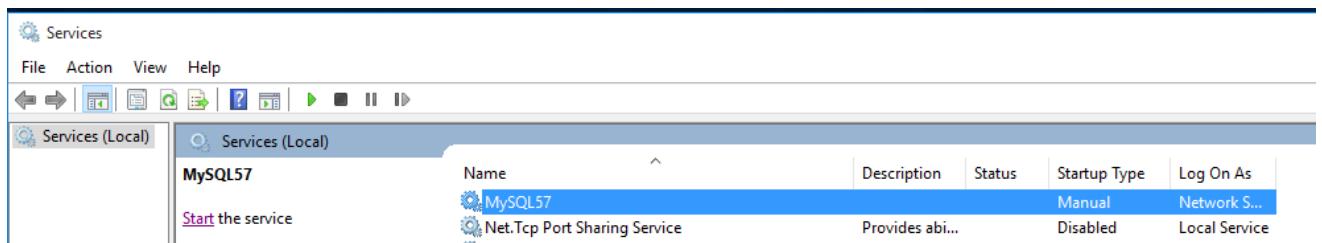
To get Events in priority order – select Events from the top row and click on “sev” in the top row of this screen to reorder.

An interesting questions is – “What response do we get from these ports on attempted connection?”

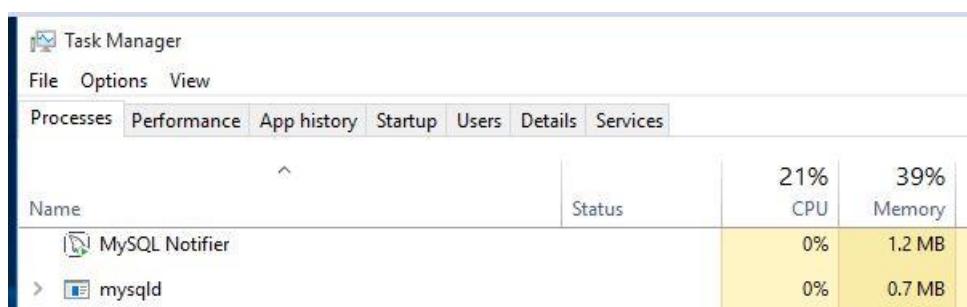
Experiment for access to an accessible service. Port 3306. MYSQL database server connection

Ensure you can ping between 204.137.98.145 and 204.137.98.190 through firewall.

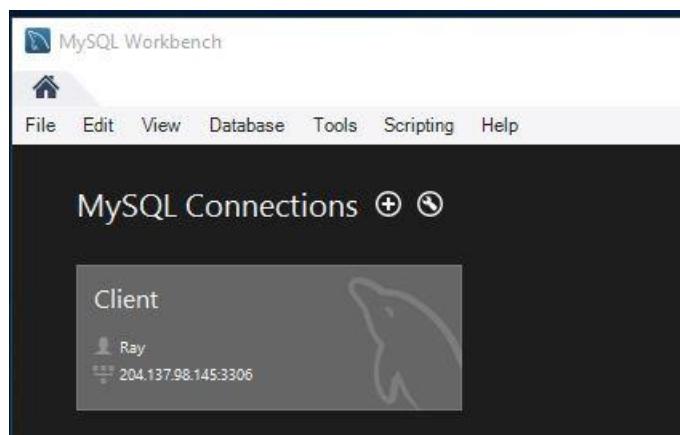
If not already running, startup MySQL Server (MYSQL57) on Rays Bank Server (204.137.98.145) from Control Panel > Administrative Tools > Services



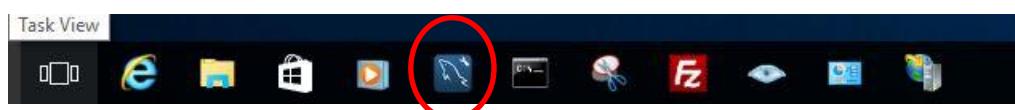
Check that MySQL Notifier and mysqld services are running on the server side from viewing Processes in Task Manager accessible from the Task Bar.

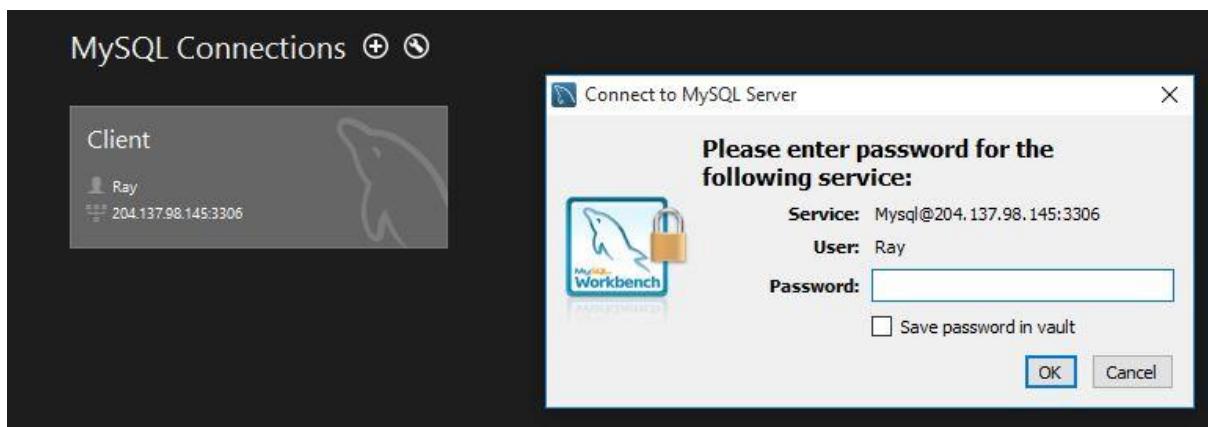


At a DOS prompt `netstat -a` should show port 3306 as listening. At this stage the server should be running without further action but one can double click on MySQL icon on the Task bar and bring up as follows:



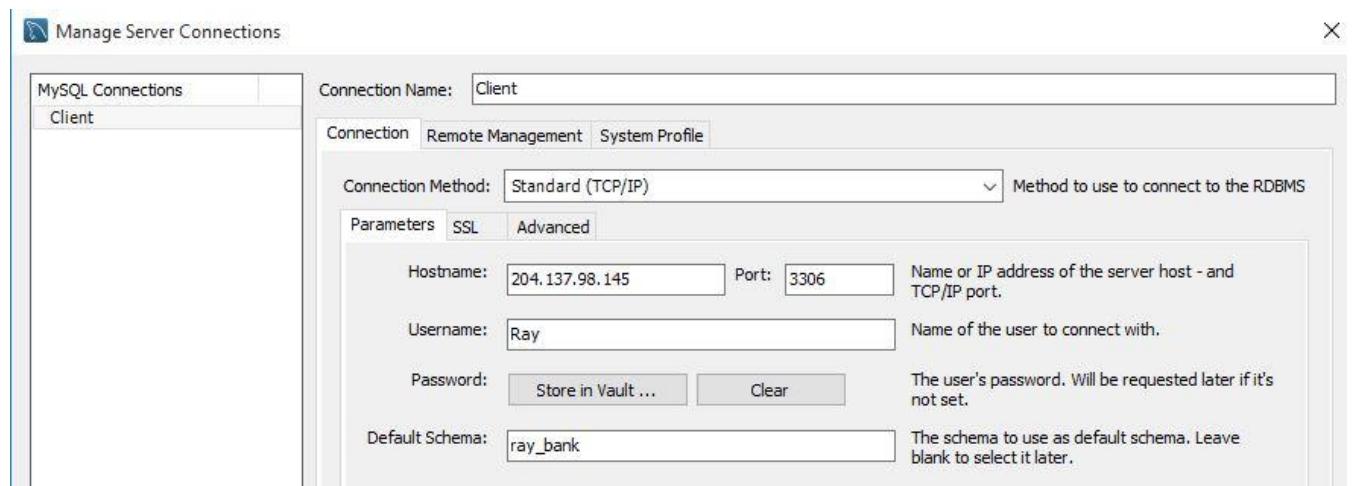
Now from Pen Testing machine (204.137.98.190) start client from task bar at bottom of screen then click on the Client gray box in the diagram below.





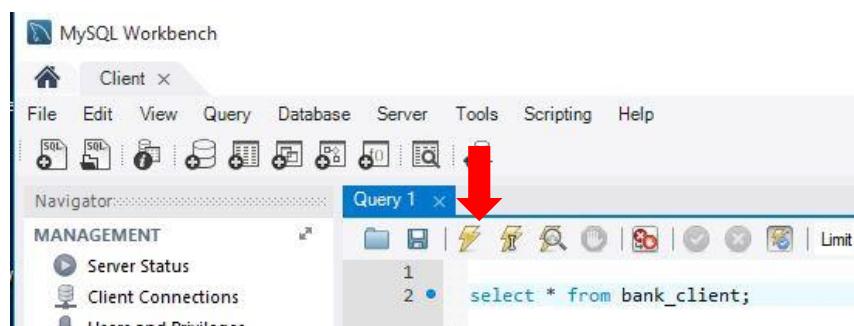
.. and enter P#ssw0rd. This password is the only security control between Ray's bank and the outside world! **If connection fails try stopping and restarting the server on the bank (145).**

To check the details of this client connection right click and edit connection on grey box above:

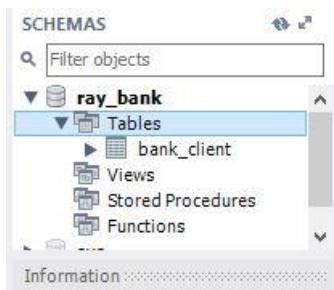


Notice the IP address of the bank server, port 3306, User name = Ray, Default Schema ray_bank.

Click on connection to Rays Bank (gray box above) and this bring up a window on the SQL server. From here show the databases first (highlight second line (`show databases;`) and use execute arrow – red pointer) and then the clients in the database.



The *schema* bottom left is *ray_bank* but the *table* which holds the client's records is *bank_client*:



One can see the list of schema databases by selecting the whole line: (*show databases;*)

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Query 1 ×
1
2 • select * from bank_client;
3 ✘ show databases; ←

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Database
information_schema
mysql
performance_schema
ray_bank ←
sys

Highlight the line *select * from bank_client;* (notice ; at end of line) and click on the icon pointed to by the vertical red arrow shown in the earlier figure. At the lower part of this screen the details of two bank clients can be seen.

	client_id	first_name	last_name	address	account_number	account_balance
▶	1	Ray	Hunt	The White House	12345	100
	2	Elton	John	Kensington Palace	6789	1000