

Project Report

Man In the Middle Attack

CompTIA Security+ (SY0-601)

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION :

You are a cyber security officer and member of the Incident Response Team.

During the summer vacation, one of the teaching staff members, Samantha, reports to the Dean about abusive and threatening messages received over an email. Dean collects the following details from her:

Complete Name: Samantha R. Collen.

Personal Email ID: samantha.collen.r@gmail.com

Official Email ID: profsamantha@pu.edu.com

Samantha also reported that during the term examination, she obstructed one of the students, Tony Lee, due to unfair means during examination.

As an investigator, your task is to identify the following:

Task 1: Obtain a scanning report of the entire network and identify how many terminals are connected with the Windows operating system and the Linux-based systems.

Solution: Start with a check of IP address on Kali linux machine (attacker machine) by using following command on terminal

#ifconfig

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Shell No. 1 Shell No. 2 Shell No. 3
root@kali:~# ifconfig
eth0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 10.0.2.4 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.0.2.255
    inet6 fe80::a00:27ff:fe47:3409 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<li
    ether 08:00:27:47:34:09 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
    RX packets 35764 bytes 45105426 (43.0 MiB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 25198 bytes 1516586 (1.4 MiB)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
    inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
    inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
    loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
    RX packets 125 bytes 12858 (12.5 KiB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 125 bytes 12858 (12.5 KiB)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

root@kali:~#
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IP address of Kali Linux machine is : 10.0.2.4

Now scan the entire network by using command netdiscover to find the IP addresses of all the terminals connected with network.

#netdiscover

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Currently scanning: Finished! | Screen View: Unique Hosts
25 Captured ARP Req/Rep packets, from 4 hosts. Total size: 1500
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| IP | At MAC Address | Count | Len | MAC Vendor / Hostname |
|-----------|-------------------|-------|-----|------------------------|
| 10.0.2.1 | 52:54:00:12:35:00 | 9 | 540 | Unknown vendor |
| 10.0.2.2 | 52:54:00:12:35:00 | 1 | 60 | Unknown vendor |
| 10.0.2.3 | 08:00:27:fa:65:77 | 8 | 480 | PCS Systemtechnik GmbH |
| 10.0.2.15 | 08:00:27:67:2b:0b | 7 | 420 | PCS Systemtechnik GmbH |

IP address of Virtual Box NIC : 10.0.2.3

IP Address of Victim machine (Windows) : 10.0.2.15

Give a try to ping the machine to confirm the connectivity of the 10.0.2.15 machine to find that host is reachable or not.

#ping 10.0.2.15

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root@kali:~# ping 10.0.2.15
PING 10.0.2.15 (10.0.2.15) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from 10.0.2.15: icmp_seq=1 ttl=128 time=0.676 ms
64 bytes from 10.0.2.15: icmp_seq=2 ttl=128 time=0.823 ms
64 bytes from 10.0.2.15: icmp_seq=3 ttl=128 time=0.881 ms
64 bytes from 10.0.2.15: icmp_seq=4 ttl=128 time=0.805 ms
64 bytes from 10.0.2.15: icmp_seq=5 ttl=128 time=0.736 ms
^C
--- 10.0.2.15 ping statistics ---
5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0% packet loss, time 4066ms
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 0.676/0.784/0.881/0.071 ms
root@kali:~#
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Host is reachable. TTL details shows that host machine **TTL value is 128** . Which describes that it could be a windows machine. So to confirm the OS and other details of this machine, Perform the NMAP scan.

#nmap -A 10.0.2.15

-A : Aggressive scan.

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root@kali:~# nmap -A 10.0.2.15
Starting Nmap 7.91 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-10-16 01:51 EDT
Nmap scan report for 10.0.2.15
Host is up (0.00051s latency).
Not shown: 996 filtered ports
PORT      STATE SERVICE        VERSION
135/tcp   open  msrpc          Microsoft Windows RPC
139/tcp   open  netbios-ssn    Microsoft Windows netbios-ssn
445/tcp   open  microsoft-ds?
5357/tcp  open  http           Microsoft HTTPAPI httpd 2.0 (SSDP/UPnP)
|_ http-server-header: Microsoft-HTTPAPI/2.0
|_ http-title: Service Unavailable
MAC Address: 08:00:27:67:2B:0B (Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)
Warning: OSScan results may be unreliable because we could not find at least 1 open and 1 closed port
Device type: general purpose
Running (JUST GUESSING): Microsoft Windows XP|7|2008 (89%)
OS CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows_xp::sp3 cpe:/o:microsoft:windows_7 cpe:/o:microsoft:windows_server_2008::sp1 cpe:/o:microsoft:windows_server_2008:r2
Aggressive OS guesses: Microsoft Windows XP SP3 (89%), Microsoft Windows XP SP2 (87%), Microsoft Windows 7 (85%), Microsoft Windows Server 2008 SP1 or Windows Server 2008 R2 (85%)
No exact OS matches for host (test conditions non-ideal).
Network Distance: 1 hop
Service Info: OS: Windows; CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows

Host script results:
|_ nbstat: NetBIOS name: DESKTOP-QTFASVJ, NetBIOS user: <unknown>, NetBIOS MAC: 08:00:27:67:2B:0B (Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)
|_ smb2-security-mode:
|_  2.02:
|_    Message signing enabled but not required
|_ smb2-time:
|_   date: 2022-10-16T05:51:39
|_  start_date: N/A

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Perform the OS and services versions scan on the windows machine.

#nmap -sV -O 10.0.2.15

-sV : versions of services

-O : for operating system scan.

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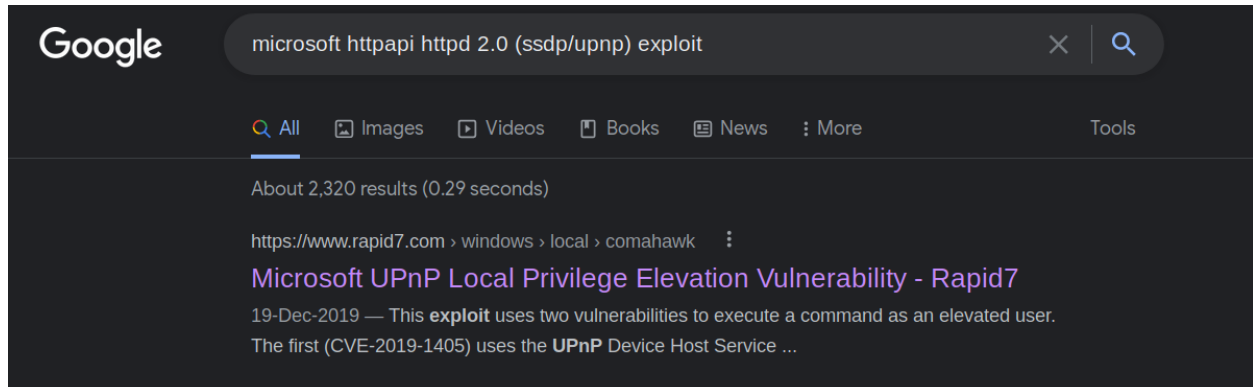
root@kali:~# nmap -sV -O 10.0.2.15
Starting Nmap 7.91 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-10-16 02:01 EDT
Nmap scan report for 10.0.2.15
Host is up (0.00054s latency).
Not shown: 996 filtered ports
PORT      STATE SERVICE        VERSION
135/tcp   open  msrpc          Microsoft Windows RPC
139/tcp   open  netbios-ssn    Microsoft Windows netbios-ssn
445/tcp   open  microsoft-ds?
5357/tcp  open  http           Microsoft HTTPAPI httpd 2.0 (SSDP/UPnP)
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From above scan we got the result that port **nos. 135, 139, 445, 5357** are open.

On port no. 5357 : http service is running.

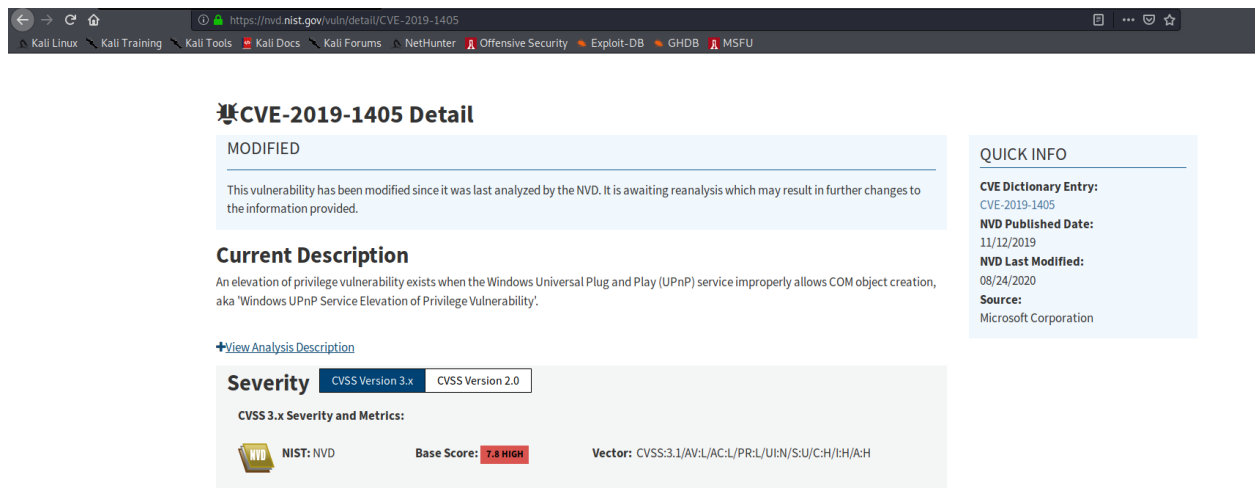
As We know this is not a secure protocol for web server. So we will target this service to find the vulnerability into this service. On this port service Microsoft HTTPAPI httpd 2.0 (SSDP/UPnP) is running. Now we will find the exploit against this service which ensures the vulnerability about this service by using google.



Find that using google about http service we found this service is vulnerable to **CVE-2019-1405** .

Task 2: Identify CVE score of the victim's vulnerability.

Solution : Now we need to find the CVE score of this vulnerability by using <https://nvd.nist.gov/>



CVE-2019-1405 Detail

MODIFIED

This vulnerability has been modified since it was last analyzed by the NVD. It is awaiting reanalysis which may result in further changes to the information provided.

Current Description

An elevation of privilege vulnerability exists when the Windows Universal Plug and Play (UPnP) service improperly allows COM object creation, aka 'Windows UPnP Service Elevation of Privilege Vulnerability'.

[View Analysis Description](#)

Severity CVSS Version 3.x CVSS Version 2.0

CVSS 3.x Severity and Metrics:

NIST: NVD **Base Score: 7.8 HIGH** **Vector: CVSS:3.1/AV:L/AC:L/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H**

QUICK INFO

CVE Dictionary Entry: CVE-2019-1405

NVD Published Date: 11/12/2019

NVD Last Modified: 08/24/2020

Source: Microsoft Corporation

Got the result about this vulnerability .

CVE Score is 7.8 High.

Which describes this is a critical vulnerability.

Task 3: Identify whether the victim's terminal is affected with MiMT attack or not and submit the incident report for the same.

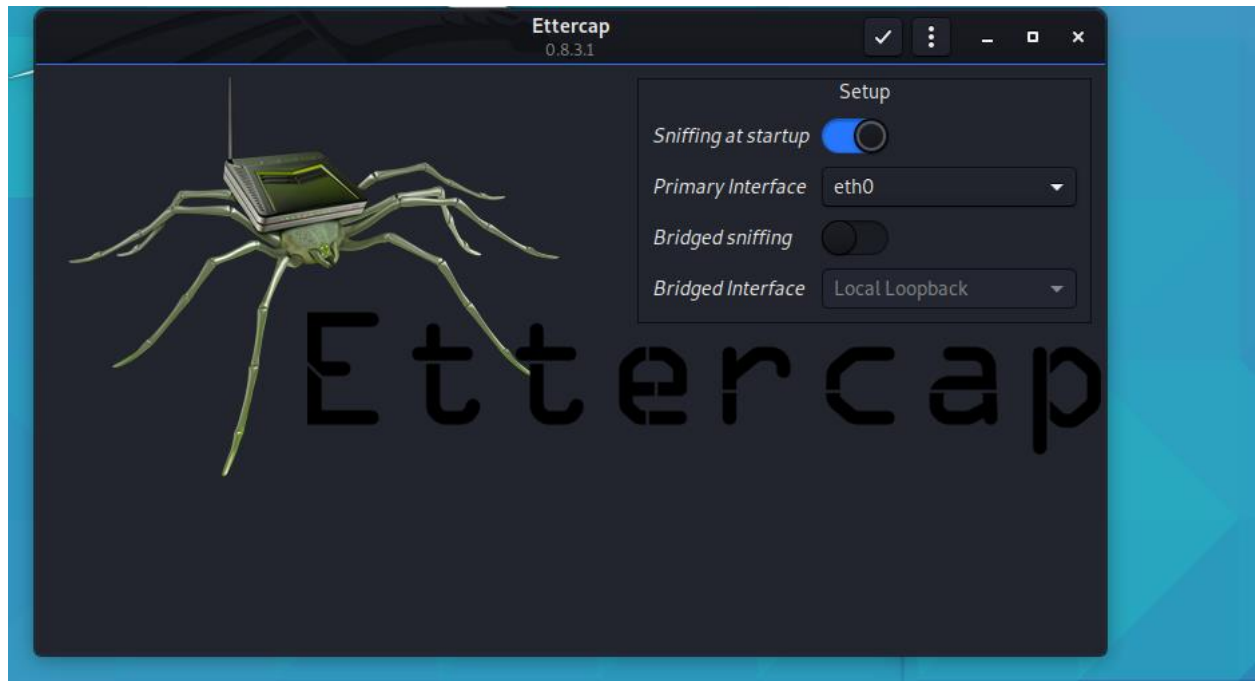
Solution : Victim system is vulnerable to MITM attack. For identification of this , we will perform following steps for MITM attack on victim system.

Step 1 : To ensure the packet flow through attacker system. We will perform the following command on attacker machine (kali terminal)

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root@kali:~# sysctl -w net.ipv4.ip_forward=1
net.ipv4.ip_forward = 1
root@kali:~#
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| Protocol | Length | Info |
|----------|--------|-----------------------|
| HTTP | 443 | GET /login.php HTTP/1 |
| HTTP | 1342 | HTTP/1.1 200 OK (tex |
| HTTP | 415 | GET /style.css HTTP/1 |
| HTTP | 450 | GET /images/logo.gif |

2. Start the **Ettercap** tool on Kali machine.



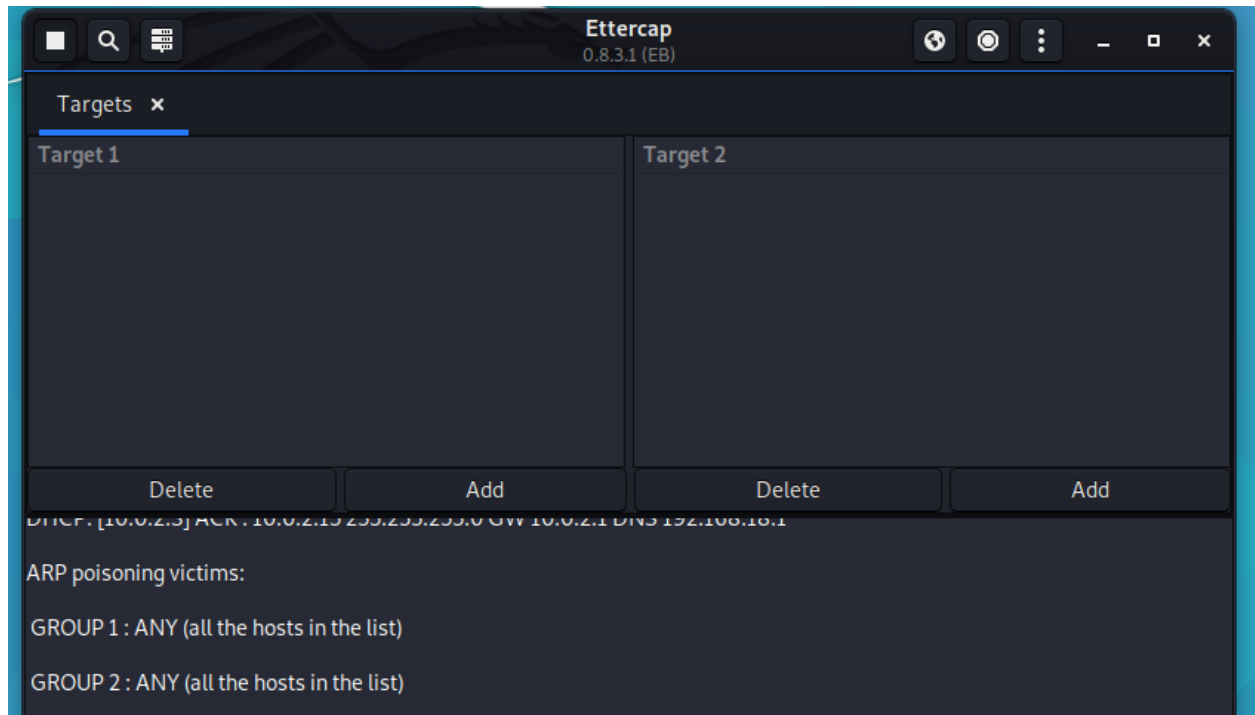
3. Set the interface as your interface name .

In my case name of Interface : eth0

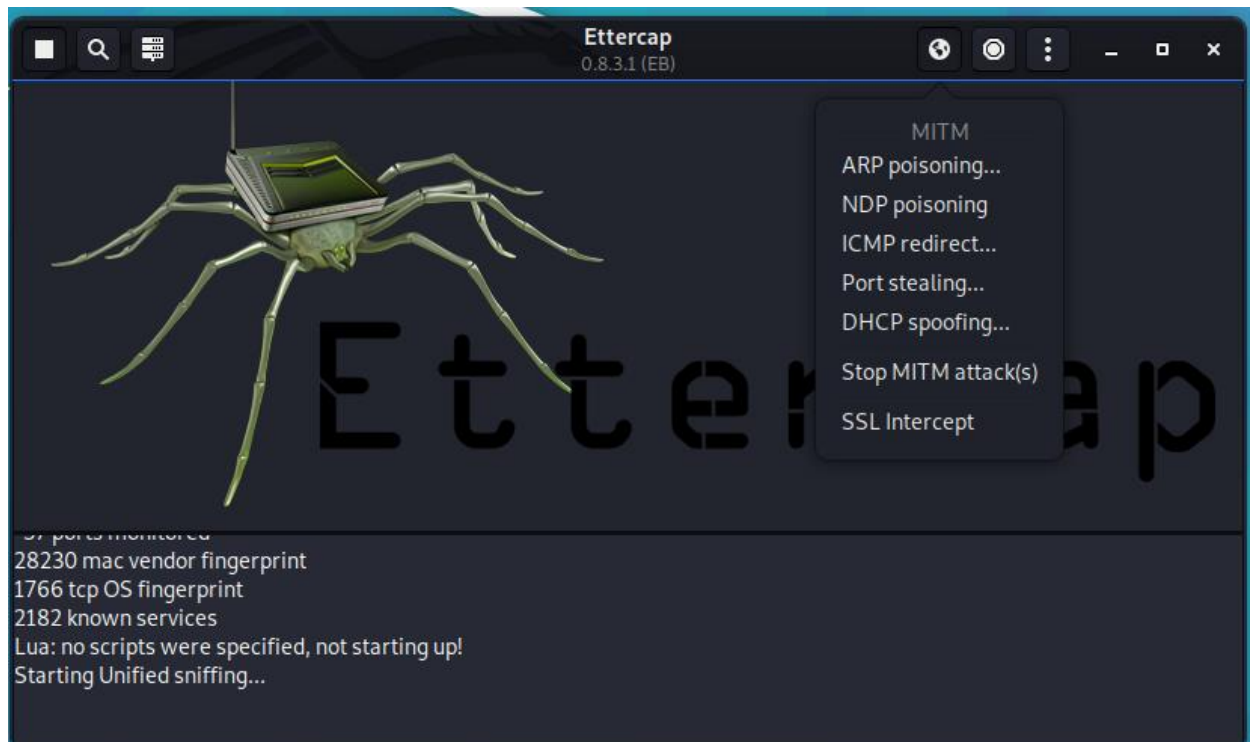
4. Select the targets :

Target 1 : Interface Ip address : 10.0.2.1

Target 2 : Victim Machine IP Address (Windows Machine) : 10.0.2.15



5. After selecting the target Select the **ARP Poisoning** from MITM menu.

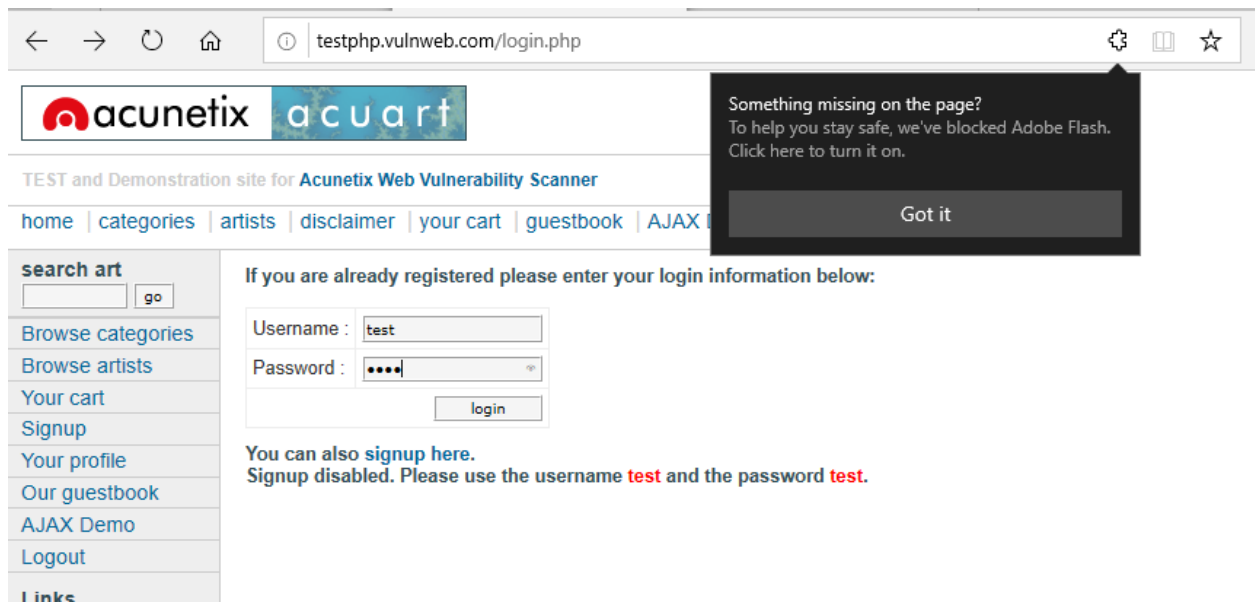


6. For sniffing the target we can start **Wireshark packet sniffing tool** on Kali Linux (attacker machine)

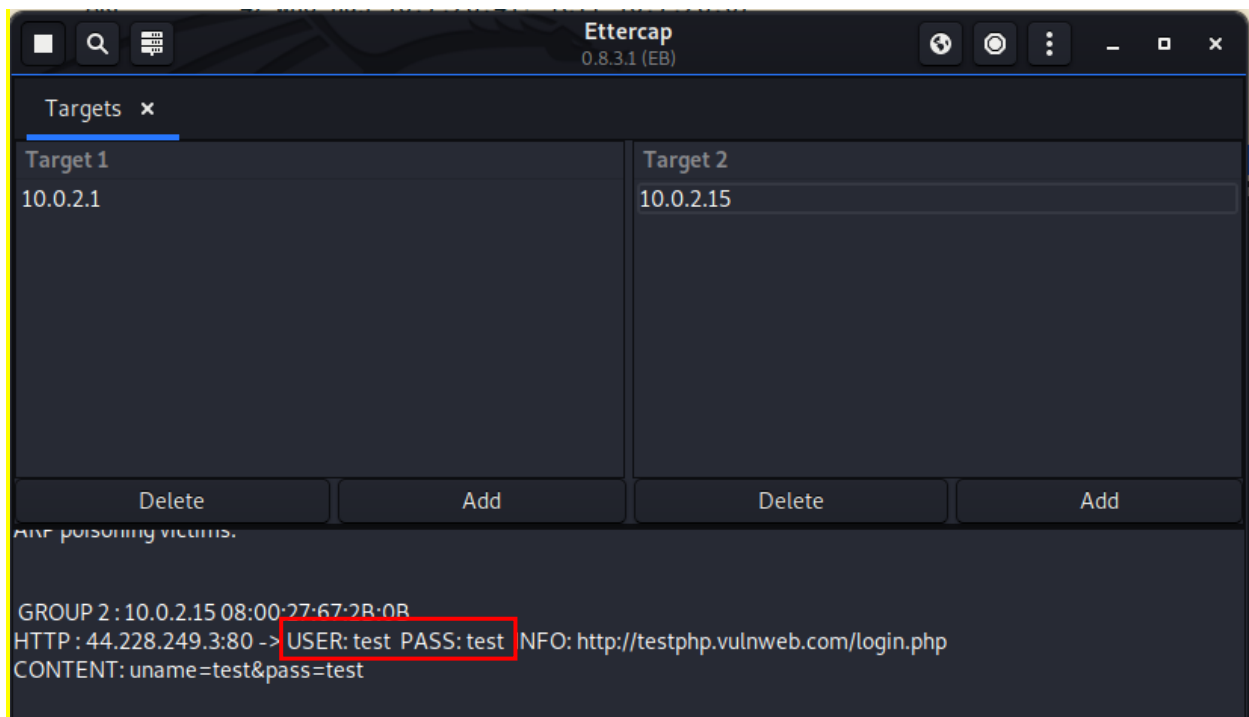
7. Now on victim machine, Open a website and put the credentials for logging in :

User name : test

Password : test



8. We can see the hard coded credentials in Ettercap window on attacker machine and also from wireshark packet capture of http.



Wireshark screen shot below for packet sniffing :

| Source | Destination | Protocol | Length | Info |
|--------------|--------------|----------|--------|---|
| 10.0.2.15 | 44.228.249.3 | HTTP | 443 | GET /login.php HTTP/1.1 |
| 44.228.249.3 | 10.0.2.15 | HTTP | 1342 | HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/html) |
| 10.0.2.15 | 44.228.249.3 | HTTP | 415 | GET /style.css HTTP/1.1 |
| 10.0.2.15 | 44.228.249.3 | HTTP | 450 | GET /images/logo.gif HTTP/1.1 |
| 44.228.249.3 | 10.0.2.15 | HTTP | 1395 | HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/css) |
| 44.228.249.3 | 10.0.2.15 | HTTP | 922 | HTTP/1.1 200 OK (GIF89a) |
| 10.0.2.15 | 44.228.249.3 | HTTP | 330 | GET /favicon.ico HTTP/1.1 |
| 44.228.249.3 | 10.0.2.15 | HTTP | 1189 | HTTP/1.1 200 OK (image/x-icon) |
| 10.0.2.15 | 44.228.249.3 | HTTP | 609 | POST /userinfo.php HTTP/1.1 (application/x-www-form-urlencoded) |
| 44.228.249.3 | 10.0.2.15 | HTTP | 1514 | HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/html) |

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Frame 42851: 1514 bytes on wire (12112 bits), 1514 bytes captured (12112 bits) on interface eth0, id 0
Ethernet II, Src: RealtekU_12:35:00 (52:54:00:12:35:00), Dst: PcsCompu_67:2b:0b (08:00:27:67:2b:0b)
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 44.228.249.3, Dst: 10.0.2.15
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 80, Dst Port: 50458, Seq: 8361, Ack: 952, Len: 1460
[2 Reassembled TCP Segments (2920 bytes): #42850(1460), #42851(1460)]
Hypertext Transfer Protocol
  HTTP/1.1 200 OK\r\n
    Server: nginx/1.19.0\r\n
    Date: Sun, 16 Oct 2022 07:07:40 GMT\r\n
    Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8\r\n
    Transfer-Encoding: chunked\r\n
    Connection: keep-alive\r\n
    X-Powered-By: PHP/5.6.40-38+ubuntu20.04.1+deb.sury.org+1\r\n
    Set-Cookie: login=test%2Ftest\r\n
    Content-Encoding: gzip\r\n
    \r\n
  [HTTP response 2/2]
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We can see the plaintext credentials in highlighted area . It ensures that MITM attack on Victim machine .

Task 4: Use email forensics analysis and identify the sender's IP address

(For project purpose I am using following dummy email ids:

dummy email id for student : sk6176808@gmail.com

Dummy email id for teaching staff member : Samantha6176808@gmail.com

Solution :

test mail Inbox x



sohail khan <sk6176808@gmail.com>

to me ▼

Hi

This is test mail .

we do not like you leave the university !!!!!

Hi, I got it.

Received your mail.

Thanks for the mail.

↩ Reply

➦ Forward

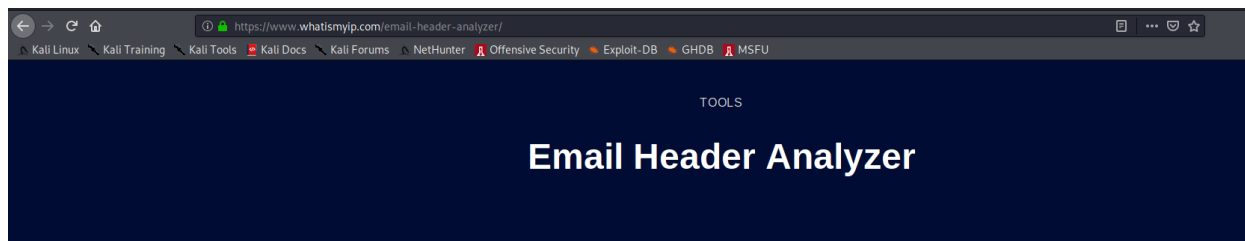
Now **Click on the Three dots on the right corner** of email. And Click on the option : **Show original**

It will display the following screen.

Delivered-To: samantha6176808@gmail.com
 Received: by 2002:a2e:82d5:0:0:0:0 with SMTP id n21csp1137964ljh;
 Sun, 16 Oct 2022 03:21:30 -0700 (PDT)
 X-Received: by 2002:a81:8cd:0:b0:360:ac94:d779 with SMTP id 196-20020a8108cd000000b00360ac94d779mr5286020ywi.370.1665915690196;
 Sun, 16 Oct 2022 03:21:30 -0700 (PDT)
 ARC-Seal: i=1; a=rsa-sha256; t=1665915690; cv=none;
 d=google.com; s=arc-20160816;
 b=Hp6wj05j3Kj0k06k99cydYx6LctfXF+6Fu2x4Z9PXY/AUxq3BjmUz90jptM//MOML
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 XwtQ==
 ARC-Message-Signature: i=1; a=rsa-sha256; c=relaxed/relaxed; d=google.com; s=arc-20160816;
 h=to:subject:message-id:date:from:mime-version:dkim-signature;
 bh=1AbkVHfMThVUokHDvt2E9yKxQkKFL31Cx8ZehzgZM=;
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 gndQ==
 ARC-Authentication-Results: i=1; mx.google.com;
 dkim=pass header.i=@gmail.com header.s=20210112 header.b=AmIEiith;
 spf=pass (google.com: domain of sk6176808@gmail.com designates 209.85.220.41 as permitted sender) smtp.mailfrom=sk6176808@gmail.com;
 dmarc=pass (p=NONE sp=QUARANTINE dis=NONE) header.from=gmail.com
 Return-Path: <sk6176808@gmail.com>
 Received: from mail-sor-f41.google.com (mail-sor-f41.google.com. [209.85.220.41])
 by mx.google.com with SMTPS id n10-20020a5b048a000000b006bebad9accasor2730754ybp.56.2022.10.16.03.21.30
 for <samantha6176808@gmail.com>
 (Google Transport Security);
 Sun, 16 Oct 2022 03:21:30 -0700 (PDT)
 Received-SPF: pass (google.com: domain of sk6176808@gmail.com designates 209.85.220.41 as permitted sender) client-ip=209.85.220.41;
 Authentication-Results: mx.google.com;
 dkim=pass header.i=@gmail.com header.s=20210112 header.b=AmIEiith;
 spf=pass (google.com: domain of sk6176808@gmail.com designates 209.85.220.41 as permitted sender) smtp.mailfrom=sk6176808@gmail.com;
 dmarc=pass (p=NONE sp=QUARANTINE dis=NONE) header.from=gmail.com

Activate Windows
Go to Settings to activate Windows.

Copy the above mentioned data and use and **online email tracker** to identify the **IP Address of Sender**.



Analyze any email header to expose the IP Address & location of the sender.

Delivered-To: samantha6176808@gmail.com
 Received: by 2002:a2e:82d5:0:0:0:0 with SMTP id n21csp1137964ljh;
 Sun, 16 Oct 2022 03:21:30 -0700 (PDT)
 X-Received: by 2002:a81:8cd:0:b0:360:ac94:d779 with SMTP id 196-20020a8108cd000000b00360ac94d779mr5286020ywi.370.1665915690196;
 Sun, 16 Oct 2022 03:21:30 -0700 (PDT)
 ARC-Seal: i=1; a=rsa-sha256; t=1665915690; cv=none;
 d=google.com; s=arc-20160816;
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 //MOML
 WHnpsBPF74u/h9mSH4ybxXfFoGZXlQHo1D2ZGCRxMn+mL1fSQietPLRZlON5h9E
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Analyze

Activate Windows
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Email Source IP Info

The email source IP address is [209.85.220.41](#)

The email source IP hostname is mail-sor-f41.google.com.

City:

Country: South Korea

Latitude: 36.5

Longitude: 127.75

By using online email tracker ,

we got the IP address of sender is : 209.85.220.41

THANK YOU