



Please open your **CSC436_Environment Kali VM!!**

Scanning with Nmap

Basic Scanning vs. Port Scanning

- Scanning
 - Mapping the network
 - Finding live systems
- Port Scanning
 - Helps figure out the purpose of a system
 - Services
 - Entry points

Ping Sweeps

- Build a list of targets we know are turned on
 - If we get a reply, it's turned on
 - If not, maybe...
- ICMP
 - What if it's blocked?
 - TCP
 - UDP

Perimeter Scanning

- The way in from the outside.
- Typically IPs found during OSINT recon phases will be perimeter IPs...they better be.
- What services do they host?
- Break through, gain access to the internal network.
- Stepping stones

How To Defend Against Scanning?

- Properly configured firewall rules
- Packet filtering
- Block ICMP at the gateway
 - Does the world really need to ping you?
 - Your webserver?
 - Internal hosts?

Nmap

- “Network Mapper”
- THE port scanner
- It’s free! <https://nmap.org>
- Widely used
 - Multi-platform
- CLI or GUI
 - CLI - you need to know this
 - GUI – fine place to start, but don’t get used to it.

Be Careful...

- This is active, get permission.
- You could crash things
 - Some systems may become flooded or crash under the additional load/traffic
 - Printers, VoIP phones, embedded things, depending on load even some servers.

Ping Scan/Host Discovery

- nmap –sP <target>
- Essentially will do the same for us as fping
- ICMP echo request
- TCP Syn to 443
- TCP ACK to 80
- ICMP timestamp request

Three Way Handshake

- Think of a phone call...
- SYN (A -> B)
- SYN-ACK (B->A)
- ACK (A->B)
- Ready for comms!



TCP Connect Scan

- The “polite” scan
- Attempts to complete a 3-way handshake with each port on a target
 - Ends with FIN packet
- Positive
 - Little chance of DoS / network flood / victim crash
 - Normal
- Negative
 - Noisy!
 - Established connection, probably logged!

TCP Connect Scan

- Possible Responses...
 - Host is Down
 - No response
 - Turned off, or firewalled well
 - Port is closed
 - No SYN-ACK
 - RESET, ICMP Port Unreachable, Nothing
 - Port is Up
 - SYN-ACK Response

TCP Connect Scan

- nmap -sT <target>
- What are the results?
- What was the downside to using a connect scan?

Before Nmap Scans Ports...

- It performs a host discovery to find active machines before heavy probing
 - Port scans, version detection, OS detection
- You can turn this off, so Nmap performs the scan you would like, without first checking if the host is up.
 - Treats all hosts as alive
 - **-Pn** switch

More Ports

- If you have time, you should scan all 65,535 ports, not just the top 1000
- -p- switch scans all the things
- -p switch
 - Specify ports
 - Nmap -sT -p 22,80

Host List

- **-iL** input list
 - Could supply a list from fping
 - Fping -a -g > fping.txt
 - Most tools allow a text file as input
 - Better chance you won't fat-finger an IP... Don't scan something you don't have permission to!

TCP SYN Scan

- Slightly stealthier
- Completes 2/3 of the 3 way handshake
 - SYN -> SYN/ACK -> RESET
 - Shutting down the connection before it's completed/started

TCP SYN Scan

- Positive
 - Basic stealth, most end systems only record completed connections
 - Firewalls/IDS/Packet Sniffers may log SYN packets!
 - Speed
- Negative
 - Target system could become flooded with outstanding SYNs
 - Nmap sends RESET to close the connection

TCP SYN Scan

- `nmap -sS <target>`

UDP Scans

- Don't overlook UDP
- UDP is connectionless, and therefore unreliable
- Used for DHCP, DNS, SNMP, TFTP, etc.
- **nmap –sU <target>**

UDP Scans

- What's the output? What's different about the reporting on ports?
- UDP... Doesn't need to send back a reply, right?
 - How do I know if the port is open or closed?
- Add in **-sV** for a bit more accuracy
- `nmap -sUV <target>`

Version Scan

- With the scans we've run to this point, we may get a report on the service that's running.
 - But we don't know what version
- sV**
- nmap -sV <target>**

TCP FIN

- FIN scans break the specification by sending unexpected packets
- FIN packets instruct the target that the connection should be torn down
 - ...but no connection has been set up!
- Target will still play by the rules
 - If port is closed, it will respond with RESET
 - If it's open or actively blocked, it won't respond.

TCP FIN

- -sF
- **nmap –sF <target>**
- Can be stealthy, but also lead to false positives.

Xmas Tree Scan

- Sends a packet to the target port with all flags/control bits set:
 - URG, ACK, PSH, RST, SYN, FIN
- Benefit
 - RFC says a packet without SYN/ACK/RST and it's closed, should respond with a RST packet. If open, ignore.
 - Some older IDS's will ignore
- Result
 - If a port is closed, target responds with RESET
 - If it's open or blocked, target responds with nothing.

Xmas Tree Scan

- `-sX`
- `nmap -sX <target>`

TCP Null Scan

- Sends TCP packets with no control bits set
- Positive
 - Very stealthy
 - Among the very minimalist port scans nmap can do
- Results
 - If port is closed, target responds with RESET
 - If port is open (or blocked) target will respond with nothing.

TCP Null Scan

- **-sN**
- **nmap –sN <target>**