# **Information Gathering**

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#### **×** Definition

✗ Footprinting is the process of collecting as much information as possible about a target network, for identifying various ways to intrude into an organization's network system

#### **×** Objectives

★ The major objectives of footprinting include collecting the target's network information, system information, and the organizational information.

#### **×** Steps

- ✗ 1. Collect basic information about the target and its network
- ✗ 2. Determine the operating system used, platforms running, web server versions, etc.
- ✗ 3. Perform techniques such as Whois, DNS, network and organizational queries
- ★ 4. Find vulnerabilities and exploits for launching attacks

#### **×** Collect Network Information

- ✗ Domain name / Internal domain names
- × Network blocks
- **x** IP addresses of the reachable systems
- **x** Rogue websites / private websites
- **X** TCP and UDP services running
- ✗ Access control mechanisms and ACLs
- Networking protocols
- **×** VPN points
- **×** ACLs
- IDSes running
- **x** Analog/digital telephone numbers
- **×** Authentication mechanisms
- **x** System enumeration

## **×** Collect Organization's Information

- **x** Employee details
- ✗ Organization's website
- Company directory
- **x** Location details
- **×** Address and phone numbers
- **X** Comments in HTML source code
- Security policies implemented
- **×** Web server links relevant to the organization
- **x** Background of the organization
- News articles/press releases

## **×** Footprinting Threats

- Social Engineering
- ✗ System and Network Attacks
- **x** Information Leakage
- Privacy Loss
- Corporate Espionage
- **×** Business Loss

# **×** Footprinting Methodology

- **x** Footprinting through Search Engine
- **X** Website Footprinting
- **★** E-Mail Footprinting
- **x** Competitive Intelligence
- **x** Footprinting using Google
- **X** WHOIS Footprinting
- DNS Footprinting
- Network Footprinting
- **×** Footprinting through Social Engineering
- **✗** Footprinting through Social Networking Sites

#### **×** Definition

- ★ Network scanning refers to a set of procedures for identifying hosts, ports, and services in a network
- × Network scanning is one of the components of intelligence gathering an attacker uses to create a profile of the target organization

### **×** Objectives

- **✗** Discovering live hosts, IP address, and open ports of live hosts running on the network
- **×** Discovering open ports
- × Discovering operating systems and system architecture of the targeted system
- **x** Identifying the vulnerabilities and threats
- Detecting the associated network service of each port

# **×** Scanning Methodology

- Check for Live Systems
- Check for Open Ports
- Scanning Beyond IDS
- **x** Banner Grabbing
- Scan for Vulnerability
- ✗ Draw Network Diagrams
- **x** Prepare Proxies
- Scanning Pen Testing

#### **×** Scanning Tools

- X Nmap
  - X Nmap is a security scanner for network exploration and hacking
  - It allows you to discover hosts and services on a computer network, thus creating a "map" of the network
  - X Network administrators can use Nmap for network inventory, managing service upgrade schedules, and monitoring host or service uptime
  - \* Attackers use Nmap to extract information such as live hosts on the network, services (application name and version), type of packet filters/firewalls, operating systems, and OS versions
- x Hping2 / Hping3
  - ➤ HPing2/HPing3 is a command-line-oriented TCP/IP packet assembler/analyzer that sends ICMP echo requests and supports TCP, UDP, ICMP, and raw-IP protocols

#### **×** Scanning Techniques

- ✗ TCP Connect / Full Open Scan
- ★ Stealth Scans: SYN Scan (Half-open Scan); XMAS Scan, FIN Scan, NULL Scan
- × IDLE Scan
- ✗ ICMP Echo Scanning / List Scan
- **★** SYN / FIN Scanning Using IP Fragments
- **x** UDP Scanning
- Inverse TCP Flag Scanning
- ACK Flag Scanning

#### **×** Definition

- ✗ Enumeration is defined as the process of extracting user names, machine names, network resources, shares, and services from a system
- ✗ In the enumeration phase, the attacker creates active connections to the system and performs directed queries to gain more information about the target

### **×** Information Enumerated by Intruders

- × Network resources and shares
- Users and groups
- **x** Routing tables
- **×** Auditing and service settings
- **X** Machine names
- **×** Applications and banners
- ★ SNMP and DNS details



### **×** Techniques for Enumeration

- **x** Extract user names using E-mail IDs
- **x** Extract user names using SNMP
- **x** Extract user groups for Windows
- **x** Extract information using the default passwords
- **x** Brute force Active Directory
- **x** Extract information using DNS Zone Transfer

#### **×** Services and Ports to Enumerate

- ✗ TCP 23 : Telnet Protocol
- ★ TCP 25 : Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP)
- **★** TCP 53 : DNS zone transfer
- ★ TCP 80 : Hyper-text Transfer Protocol (HTTP)
- ★ TCP 135 : Microsoft RPC Endpoint Mapper
- ★ TCP 137 : NetBIOS Name Service (NBNS)
- ★ TCP 139 : NetBIOS Session Service (SMB over NetBIOS)
- ★ UDP 161 : Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP)
- ✗ TCP/UDP 389 : Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP)
- **★** TCP 445 : SMB over TCP (Direct Host)
- ★ TCP/UDP 3368 : Global Catalog Service
- ✗ TCP 3389 : Remote Desktop Protocol (RDP)
- ★ TCP 5800/5900 : Virtual Network Computing (VNC)

