

CYBER SECURITY INTERNSHIP (Elevate Labs)

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Note: I am using Ubuntu as my operating system.

Task – 1: Scan Your Local Network for Open Ports

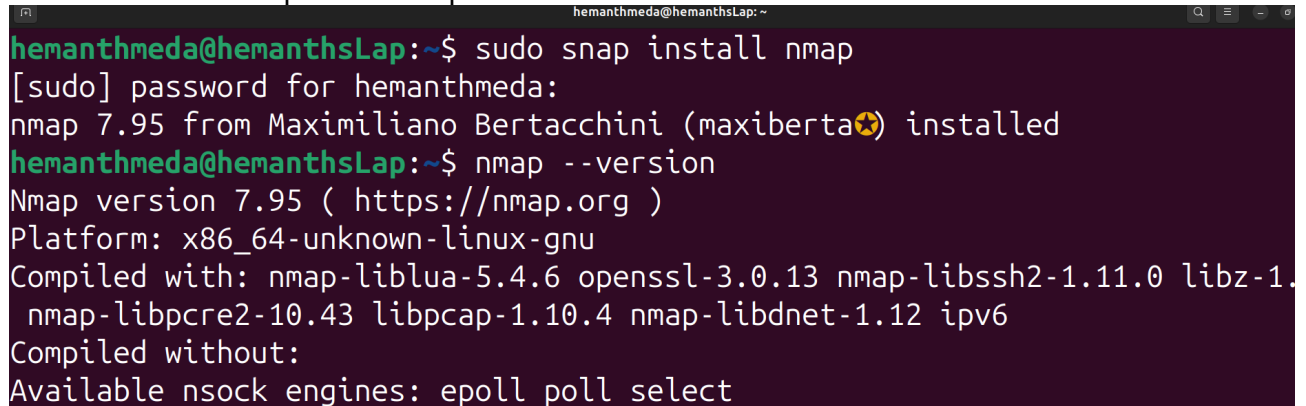
Objective: Learn to discover open ports on devices in your local network to understand network exposure.

Tools: Nmap (free), Wireshark (optional)

Task Implementation:

1. Installation of Nmap:

Command: sudo snap install nmap



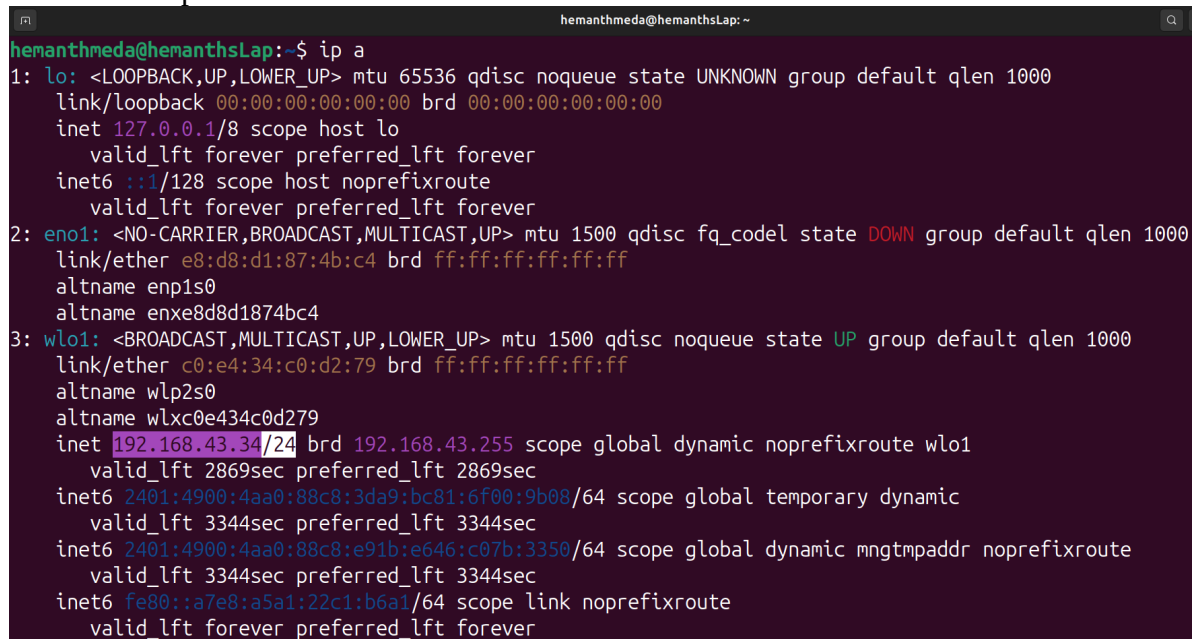
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hemanthmeda@hemanthsLap:~$ sudo snap install nmap
[sudo] password for hemanthmeda:
nmap 7.95 from Maximiliano Bertacchini (maxiberta🌟) installed
hemanthmeda@hemanthsLap:~$ nmap --version
Nmap version 7.95 ( https://nmap.org )
Platform: x86_64-unknown-linux-gnu
Compiled with: nmap-liblua-5.4.6 openssl-3.0.13 nmap-libssh2-1.11.0 libz-1.
nmap-libpcap-1.10.4 nmap-libdnet-1.12 ipv6
Compiled without:
Available nsock engines: epoll poll select
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2. Check installation of Nmap:

Command: nmap --version

3. Find local IP range.

Command: ip a



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hemanthmeda@hemanthsLap:~$ ip a
1: lo: <LOOPBACK,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 65536 qdisc noqueue state UNKNOWN group default qlen 1000
    link/loopback 00:00:00:00:00:00 brd 00:00:00:00:00:00
    inet 127.0.0.1/8 scope host lo
        valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
    inet6 ::1/128 scope host noprefixroute
        valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
2: eno1: <NO-CARRIER,BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP> mtu 1500 qdisc fq_codel state DOWN group default qlen 1000
    link/ether e8:d8:d1:87:4b:c4 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
    altname enp1s0
    altname enx8d8d1874bc4
3: wlo1: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc noqueue state UP group default qlen 1000
    link/ether c0:e4:34:c0:d2:79 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
    altname wlp2s0
    altname wlc0e434c0d279
    inet 192.168.43.34/24 brd 192.168.43.255 scope global dynamic noprefixroute wlo1
        valid_lft 2869sec preferred_lft 2869sec
    inet6 2401:4900:4aa0:88c8:3da9:bc81:6f00:9b08/64 scope global temporary dynamic
        valid_lft 3344sec preferred_lft 3344sec
    inet6 2401:4900:4aa0:88c8:e91b:e646:c07b:3350/64 scope global dynamic mngtmpaddr noprefixroute
        valid_lft 3344sec preferred_lft 3344sec
    inet6 fe80::a7e8:a5a1:22c1:b6a1/64 scope link noprefixroute
        valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
```

here my local IP range is 192.168.43.34/24

4. Scan the network for live hosts

Command: nmap -sn 192.168.43.0/24

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hemanthmeda@hemanthsLap: ~  
hemanthmeda@hemanthsLap:~$ nmap -sn 192.168.43.0/24  
Starting Nmap 7.95 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-05-26 17:19 IST  
Nmap scan report for _gateway (192.168.43.1)  
Host is up (0.0051s latency).  
Nmap scan report for hemanthsLap (192.168.43.34)  
Host is up (0.00021s latency).  
Nmap done: 256 IP addresses (2 hosts up) scanned in 2.59 seconds  
hemanthmeda@hemanthsLap:~$
```

only two active hosts on my network found:

one is Wi-Fi router gateway: 192.168.43.1

other is my laptop: 192.168.43.34

5. Scan for open ports using a TCP SYN Scan

Command: sudo nmap -sS 192.168.43.0/24

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hemanthmeda@hemanthsLap: ~  
hemanthmeda@hemanthsLap:~$ sudo nmap -sS 192.168.43.0/24  
Starting Nmap 7.95 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-05-26 17:20 IST  
Nmap scan report for _gateway (192.168.43.1)  
Host is up (0.012s latency).  
Not shown: 999 closed tcp ports (reset)  
PORT      STATE SERVICE  
53/tcp    open  domain  
MAC Address: 62:8E:08:3C:74:2E (Unknown)  
  
Nmap scan report for hemanthsLap (192.168.43.34)  
Host is up (0.0000040s latency).  
All 1000 scanned ports on hemanthsLap (192.168.43.34) are in ignored states.  
Not shown: 1000 closed tcp ports (reset)  
  
Nmap done: 256 IP addresses (2 hosts up) scanned in 2.55 seconds  
hemanthmeda@hemanthsLap:~$
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open ports found : port – 53/tcp
 state – open
 service – domain(DNS)

Indicates router is running a DNS server.

6.For analyzing packet capture on Wireshark

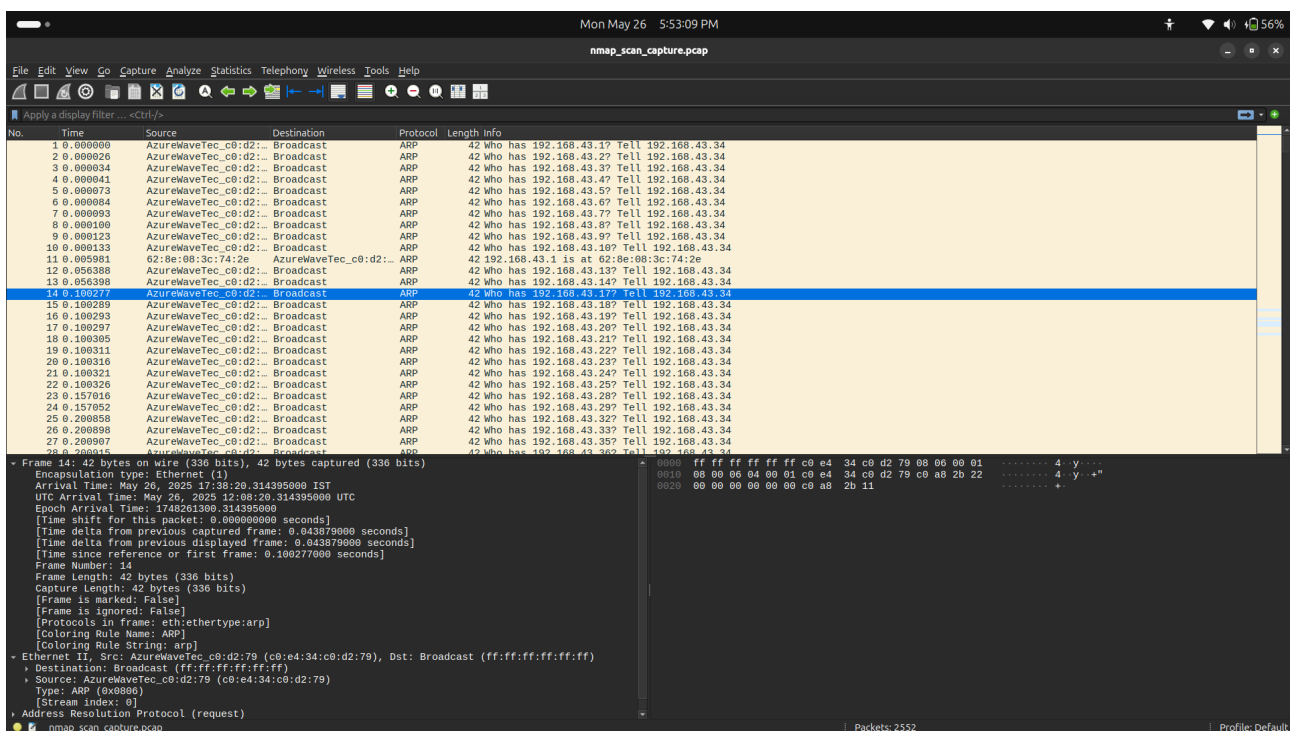
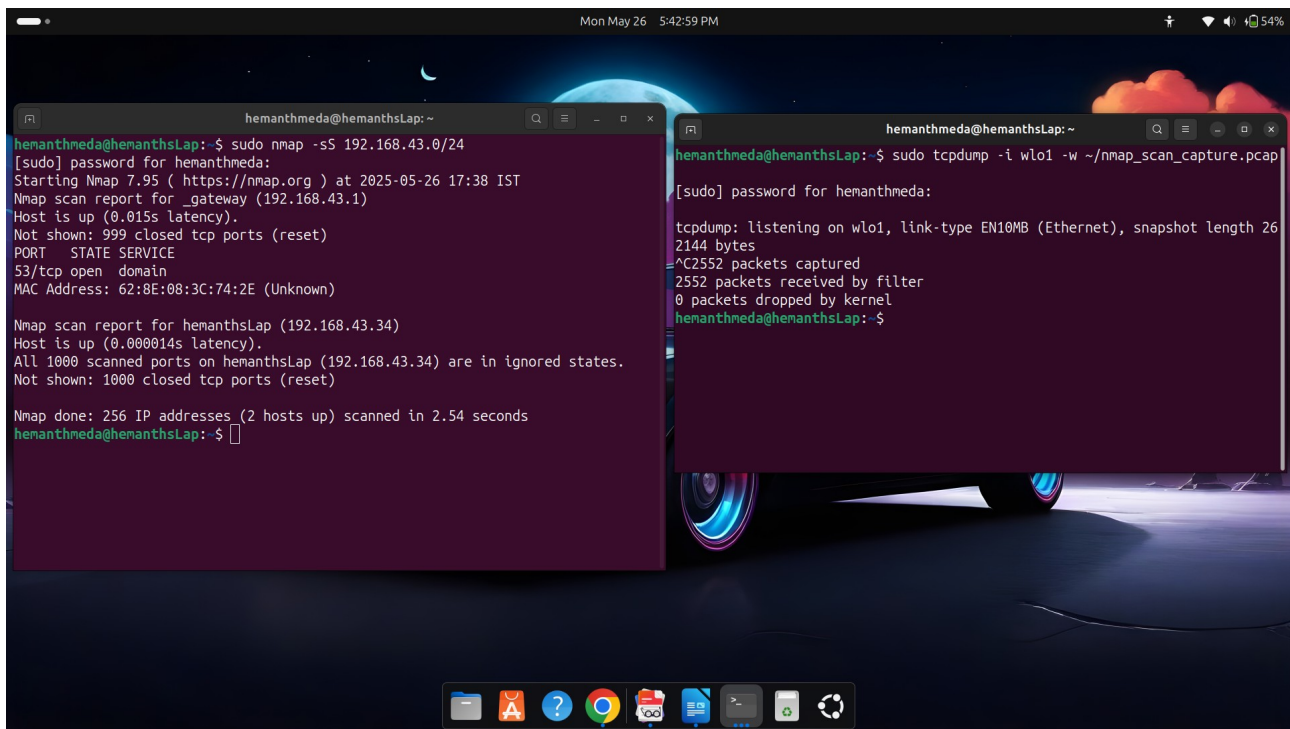
Wireshark accepts .pcap files but nmap can't generate directly these files so here I have used another tool called **tcpdump**

Command: sudo tcpdump -i wlo1 -w ~/nmap_scan_capture.pcap

start it and open another terminal to run nmap script

Command:sudo nmap -sS 192.168.43.0/24

start it and after completion of nmap scan stop the tcpdump scan also by typing ^c then open the capture file with Wireshark.



7. Common services running on ports

port 53/tcp → domain(DNS) → DNS(Domain Name System) services translates domain names to IP addresses. Usually runs on routers pr dedicated DNS servers.

Common related ports and services:

80/tcp → HTTP → Web servers

443/tcp → HTTPS → Secure Web servers

22/tcp → SSH → Secure Shell for remote management

25/tcp → SMTP → Email sending service

53/udp → DNS → UDP variant for DNS queries (fast and connectionless)

21/tcp → FTP → File transfer protocol

445/tcp → SMB → Windows file sharing
23/tcp → telnet → Unencrypted remote login

8. Potential security risks from open ports.

1) Port 53/tcp (DNS):

- if exposed externally or misconfigured, can be exploited for DNS amplification/ reflection attacks (DdoS)
- Can leak network infrastructure information if zone transfers are allowed without restrictions.
- Internal exposure is usually less risky but still worth monitoring

No other open ports found with this IP.

9. Scanning results as text files

Command: `nmap -oN scan_results.txt 192.168.43.0/24`

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hemanthmeda@hemanthslap: ~  
hemanthmeda@hemanthslap:~$ nmap -oN scan_results.txt 192.168.43.0/24  
Starting Nmap 7.95 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-05-26 19:18 IST  
Nmap scan report for _gateway (192.168.43.1)  
Host is up (0.092s latency).  
Not shown: 999 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)  
PORT      STATE SERVICE  
53/tcp    open  domain  
  
Nmap scan report for hemanthslap (192.168.43.34)  
Host is up (0.000054s latency).  
All 1000 scanned ports on hemanthslap (192.168.43.34) are in ignored states.  
Not shown: 1000 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)  
  
Nmap done: 256 IP addresses (2 hosts up) scanned in 3.47 seconds  
hemanthmeda@hemanthslap:~$ cat scan_results.txt  
# Nmap 7.95 scan initiated Mon May 26 19:18:49 2025 as: /snap/nmap/3885/usr/bin/nmap -oN scan_results.txt 192.168.43.0/24  
Nmap scan report for _gateway (192.168.43.1)  
Host is up (0.092s latency).  
Not shown: 999 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)  
PORT      STATE SERVICE  
53/tcp    open  domain  
  
Nmap scan report for hemanthslap (192.168.43.34)  
Host is up (0.000054s latency).  
All 1000 scanned ports on hemanthslap (192.168.43.34) are in ignored states.  
Not shown: 1000 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)  
  
# Nmap done at Mon May 26 19:18:53 2025 -- 256 IP addresses (2 hosts up) scanned in 3.47 seconds  
hemanthmeda@hemanthslap:~$
```

10. Scanning results in HTML format

Command: `nmap -oN scan_results.html 192.168.43.0/24`

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hemanthmeda@hemanthslap:~$ nmap -oN scan_results.html 192.168.43.0/24  
Starting Nmap 7.95 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-05-26 19:20 IST  
Nmap scan report for _gateway (192.168.43.1)  
Host is up (0.0093s latency).  
Not shown: 999 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)  
PORT      STATE SERVICE  
53/tcp    open  domain  
  
Nmap scan report for hemanthslap (192.168.43.34)  
Host is up (0.000061s latency).  
All 1000 scanned ports on hemanthslap (192.168.43.34) are in ignored states.  
Not shown: 1000 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)  
  
Nmap done: 256 IP addresses (2 hosts up) scanned in 3.47 seconds  
hemanthmeda@hemanthslap:~$ cat scan_results.html  
# Nmap 7.95 scan initiated Mon May 26 19:20:22 2025 as: /snap/nmap/3885/usr/bin/nmap -oN scan_results.html 192.168.43.0/24  
Nmap scan report for _gateway (192.168.43.1)  
Host is up (0.0093s latency).  
Not shown: 999 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)  
PORT      STATE SERVICE  
53/tcp    open  domain  
  
Nmap scan report for hemanthslap (192.168.43.34)  
Host is up (0.000061s latency).  
All 1000 scanned ports on hemanthslap (192.168.43.34) are in ignored states.  
Not shown: 1000 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)  
  
# Nmap done at Mon May 26 19:20:26 2025 -- 256 IP addresses (2 hosts up) scanned in 3.47 seconds  
hemanthmeda@hemanthslap:~$
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