

Part 4: Python Network Scanner

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Time required: 30 minutes

Network Scanner – The Final Chapter

Save your **network_scanner_3.py** as **network_scanner.py**

We have everything working. We can make it look better. Let's format our response packets and print a nice title.

- For a cleaner look, let's get rid of the feedback from the scapy.srp packet sending. **verbose=False** turns off all srp feedback.
- We added a 1 second timeout to wait for responses.
- We added a nice heading and put the IP and MAC information on the same line.

```
# srp sends and receives packets with custom layer
# returns answered and unanswered packet information in 2 lists
# [0] returns element 0 of the first list of answered packets
answered_list = scapy.srp(arp_request_broadcast,
                           timeout=1,          # timeout=1 second
                           verbose=False) [0]  # no feedback on request

# Print a nice heading
print("IP\t\tMAC Address")
print("-" * 35)

# Iterate through each element in the answered_list
for element in answered_list:
    # psrc IP source address of answer
    # hwsrc MAC source address of answer
    print(element[1].psrc + "\t" + element[1].hwsrc)
```

Example run:

IP Address	MAC Address
10.10.1.1	52:54:00:12:35:00
10.10.1.2	52:54:00:12:35:00
10.10.1.3	08:00:27:63:05:6e
10.10.1.8	08:00:27:e6:e5:59

Our finished product looks pretty good!

Passing Arguments

One last item. We have to hard code the program to get it to work. With command line programs it is common to pass arguments to change how the program functions.

python network_scanner.py -t 192.168.9.0/24

This is an example of running our scanner with a -t switch and providing a network address argument.

We are going to refactor our code a bit to make it more modular. Each function will have a specific purpose.

```
9 import scapy.all as scapy
10 import argparse
11
12
13 def get_arguments():
14     # Create a argparse object
15     parser = argparse.ArgumentParser()
16
17     # Add arguments to our parser object.
18     parser.add_argument("-t", "--target", # Argument options
19                         dest="target",    # target stores argument
20                         help="Target IP /IP range.") # help
21     # Parse the arguments given and return the value requested
22     options = parser.parse_args()
23     return options
```

This function imports the **argparse** library. This allows us to capture arguments from the command line.

```

26 def scan(ip):
27     # Create ARP request for targeted ip address
28     # pdst is Target IP address
29     arp_request = scapy.ARP(pdst=ip)
30
31     # Source MAC address is local computer
32     # dst sets destination MAC, in this case MAC broadcast address
33     broadcast = scapy.Ether(dst='ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff')
34
35     # Combine the first two packets together with scapy / operator
36     arp_request_broadcast = broadcast/arp_request
37
38     # srp sends and receives packets with custom layer
39     # returns answered and unanswered return packet information in 2 lists
40     # [0] returns element 0 of the first list of answered packets
41     answered_list = scapy.srp(arp_request_broadcast,
42                               timeout=1,          # timeout=1 second
43                               verbose=False)[0]    # no feedback on request
44
45     return answered_list

```

We have taken everything out of the scan function except the code that scans the network.

```

48 def print_result(answered_list):
49     # Print title
50     print("IP Address\tMAC Address")
51     print("-" * 35)
52     # Iterate through each element in the answered_list
53     for element in answered_list:
54         # psrc IP source address of answer
55         # hwsrc MAC source address of answer
56         print(element[1].psrc + "\t" + element[1].hwsrc)

```

The print_result function prints the results of the scan function.

```

59 def main():
60     # Get IP argument from command line
61     options = get_arguments()
62     # Use IP argument to scan network
63     scan_result = scan(options.target)
64     # Print list results
65     print_result(scan_result)

```

Example run:

```
D:\Temp>python network_scanner6.py -t 192.168.9.1/24
IP                MAC Address
-----
192.168.9.1       70:4f:57:33:05:b8
192.168.9.10      6c:0b:84:09:b4:a6
192.168.9.101     2c:f0:5d:a2:ac:3e
192.168.9.124     4c:1b:86:9a:2b:3c
192.168.9.146     cc:95:d7:8d:2f:1c
192.168.9.150     fc:f1:52:5e:52:ce
192.168.9.142     5c:cf:7f:2c:31:9c
192.168.9.110     88:c2:55:20:58:b4
192.168.9.114     58:ef:68:ea:92:a1
```

That's it, we are done. We can use this hand-built network scanner on any network.

Test your Python file on Windows and Kali Linux

Assignment Submission

Attach all program files and screenshots of your results from both operating systems to the assignment in BlackBoard.