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**Aim:** Comprehending security tools

**Resources needed:** Kali Linux Documentation, Kali Linux Forums, Burp Suite Documentation, Wireshark User Guide, Wireshark Sample Captures

# **Pre Lab/ Prior Concepts:**

Students should have prior knowledge of Networking Basics, Linux Fundamentals, Web Technologies, Network Packet Analysis, Linux Command-Line Skills, Web Application Basics, Understanding of HTTP and HTTPS, Virtualization, Basic Security Concepts.

# Theory:

Security tools serve different purposes but are often used together in security assessments to ensure a thorough examination of both web application and network security. In the dynamic landscape of cybersecurity, comprehending and mastering security tools is paramount for professionals engaged in ethical hacking, penetration testing, and network analysis. Three key tools—Kali Linux, Burp Suite, and Wireshark—stand out as indispensable assets in the cybersecurity arsenal.

# 1. Kali Linux: The Swiss Army Knife of Security

Kali Linux provides a comprehensive environment for ethical hackers and security professionals to test and assess the security of systems. Kali Linux, a Debian-based distribution, is purpose-built for penetration testing and security auditing. It encompasses a vast array of pre-installed tools, categorized for diverse tasks, ranging from network reconnaissance to exploitation. Its strength lies not only in its comprehensive suite of tools but also in its community-driven ethos, ensuring constant updates and adaptability to emerging threats. Professionals delve into Kali Linux to explore vulnerabilities, assess network defenses, and simulate real-world attacks in a controlled environment.

#### **Purpose:**

Kali Linux, a specialized Linux distribution, is meticulously crafted for the primary purpose of facilitating penetration testing, ethical hacking, and security auditing. Originally derived from Debian, Kali Linux has evolved into a comprehensive platform that provides security professionals, ethical hackers, and enthusiasts with a robust and versatile toolkit for identifying vulnerabilities, conducting security assessments, and fortifying systems against potential threats.

#### **Features of Kali Linux**

- 1. Vast Toolset
- 2. Open Source
- 3. Community-Driven Development
- 4. Targeted for Penetration Testing
- 5. Versatility in Deployment

- 6. Live Boot Capability
- 7. User-Friendly Interface
- 8. Security and Privacy Tools
- 9. Extensive Documentation

# 2. Burp Suite: The Web Application Security Champion

Burp Suite helps in identifying and fixing vulnerabilities in web applications by intercepting and manipulating HTTP/S traffic. Burp Suite emerges as a cornerstone in web application security testing. Its capabilities extend from mapping application architecture to identifying vulnerabilities, enabling ethical hackers to assess the security posture of web applications. The suite includes tools for scanning, crawling, and manipulating web requests, providing a robust platform for understanding, exploiting, and fortifying web-based systems. Its extensibility through custom plugins further enhances its adaptability to various testing scenarios.

# **Purpose of Burp Suite:**

Burp Suite is a leading cybersecurity tool designed for web application security testing. Its primary purpose is to assist security professionals, ethical hackers, and penetration testers in identifying and addressing vulnerabilities within web applications. Burp Suite provides a comprehensive platform for manual and automated testing of web applications' security, helping organizations enhance their overall security posture.

# **Features of Burp Suite:**

- 1. Intercept and Modify Requests
- 2. Automated Crawling and Discovery
- 3. Automated Vulnerability Scanner
- 4. Automated Attack Patterns
- 5. Manual Request Modification and Resubmission
- 6. Session Token and Cryptographic Analysis
- 7. Encoding and Decoding of Data
- 8. Comparison of Responses
- 9. Customization through Extension
- 10. Automated Analysis of Web Application
- 11. Detection of Out-of-Band Vulnerabilities

# 3. Wireshark: Unveiling the Secrets of Network Traffic

Wireshark, on the other hand, captures and analyzes network packets, enabling users to examine the flow of data and troubleshoot network issues. Wireshark, a powerful network protocol analyzer, provides a lens into network communication's intricacies. From capturing and analyzing packets to deciphering protocols and detecting anomalies, Wireshark is an invaluable tool for understanding network behavior. Security professionals leverage Wireshark to identify potential security threats, troubleshoot network issues, and gain insights into the flow of data. Its graphical interface and extensive filtering capabilities make it accessible to both novices and seasoned analysts.

# **Purpose of Wireshark**:

Wireshark is a powerful open-source network protocol analyzer designed for network troubleshooting, analysis, software and communication protocol development, and education. Its primary purpose is to capture and examine the data traveling back and forth on a network, providing deep insights into network activity, performance, and potential security issues. Wireshark allows users to analyze and interpret packet-level data to diagnose network problems, understand network behavior, and ensure the efficient operation of networked systems.

# **Features of Wireshark**

- 1. Real-Time Traffic Analysis
- 2. Examine Captured Files
- 3. Customize Views with Filters
- 4. Wide Range of Supported Protocols
- 5. Inspect Packet Contents

- 6. Visual Identification of Packets
- 7. Analyze Network Statistics
- 8. Reassemble TCP Streams
- 9. Voice over IP (VoIP) Analysis
- 10. Investigate Security Incidents

#### **Procedure:**

Kali Linix: Exploring Kali Linux involves getting familiar with its interface, understanding basic commands, and exploring the pre-installed tools.

# **Stepwise Procedure to Explore Kali Linux:**

- 1. **Boot into Kali Linux**: Start by booting system into Kali Linux Familiarize with the Desktop Environment: Kali Linux typically uses the GNOME desktop environment
- 2. **Open Terminal and Learn Basic Commands**: Open the terminal, either by clicking on the terminal icon. Some essential commands include ls (list files), cd (change directory), pwd (print working directory), and sudo (execute commands with superuser privileges).
- 3. **Explore System Information:** Use commands like uname -a to display system information, df -h to show disk space usage, and free -m to view available memory.
- 4. **Check Network Configuration**: Use the ifconfig command to display network interface configurations. Explore the ping command to test network connectivity.
- 5. **Navigate through File System**: Use the cd command to navigate through the file system. Explore directories and files using ls and cd commands. Understand the concept of the root directory (/), home directory (~), and other essential directories.
- 6. **Explore Pre-Installed Tools**: Kali Linux comes with a plethora of pre-installed security tools. Explore the tools categorized in the Kali menu.

**Burp Suite:** Exploring Burp Suite involves familiarizing with its interface, understanding key features, and learning how to perform basic tasks related to web application security testing. Stepwise Procedure to Explore Burp Suite:

- 1. **Download and Install Burp Suite**: Start by downloading Burp Suite from the official website (PortSwigger). Follow the installation instructions provided for operating system.
- 2. **Launch Burp Suite**: Once installed, launch Burp Suite. The interface consists of various tabs, including Proxy, Target, Intruder, Repeater, and more.
- 3. **Configure Browser to Use Burp Proxy**: To intercept and analyze HTTP/S traffic, configure web browser to use the Burp Proxy. Set the browser's proxy settings to match Burp Suite's proxy settings. The default proxy listener in Burp Suite is on 127.0.0.1 (localhost) and port 8080.
- 4. **Explore the Proxy Tab**: Go to the "Proxy" tab in Burp Suite. Observe the intercepted requests and responses in real-time. Get familiarize with the various options, such as turning interception on/off, forwarding requests, and responding to intercepted requests.
- 5. **Use the Target Tab**: Navigate to the "Target" tab. This tab provides information about the target web application, including site map, discovered content, and scope. Learn how to add a target, configure scope, and view the site map to understand the structure of the web application.
- 6. **Perform Basic Intruder and Repeater Tasks**: Explore the "Intruder" and "Repeater" tabs. In the "Intruder" tab to automate attacks such as brute force or fuzzing. In the "Repeater" tab, manually modify and re-send individual requests to observe their impact on the application.
- 7. **Review Other Essential Tabs**: Spend time exploring other essential tabs such as "Scanner," "Sequencer," and "Decoder." The "Scanner" tab allows automated scanning for common vulnerabilities, "Sequencer" analyzes the randomness of tokens, and "Decoder" assists in encoding and decoding data.

**Wireshark:** Exploring Wireshark involves capturing and analyzing network traffic to gain insights into communication protocols, troubleshoot network issues, and identify potential security threats. Stepwise Procedure to Explore Wireshark:

- 1. **Download and Install Wireshark**: Start by downloading Wireshark from the official website (Wireshark Download). Follow the installation instructions provided for operating system.
- 2. **Launch Wireshark**: Once installed, launch Wireshark. The main interface will display a list of available network interfaces for capturing traffic. Select the appropriate interface for network connection.
- 3. **Start Capturing Packets**: Click on the selected interface to start capturing packets to see a live stream of captured packets displayed in real-time. Observe the various columns containing information such as source and destination addresses, protocols, and packet lengths.
- 4. **Filter Packets**: Utilize Wireshark's powerful filtering capabilities to focus on specific packets. Use display filters (e.g., ip.addr == 192.168.1.1) to narrow down the displayed packets based on criteria such as source/destination addresses, protocols, or specific keywords.
- 5. **Analyze Packet Details**: Select a packet from the captured list to view detailed information about its contents. Wireshark provides a hierarchical view of packet data, including protocol layers. Explore the dissected details to understand the structure of different protocols within the packet.
- 6. **Follow TCP Streams**: Use the "Follow TCP Stream" feature to reconstruct and display the entire conversation between two endpoints for a specific TCP stream. This is particularly useful for understanding the content and context of communication.
- 7. **Apply Colorization and Marking**: Wireshark uses colorization to highlight different types of packets, making it easier to identify and analyze specific types of network traffic. Take note of the color-coded packets to distinguish between various protocols and activities.

# **Output (Code with result Snapshot)**

## Kali-Linux

1) Boot into Kali Linux:



2) Open Terminal and Learn Basic Commands:

- ls- Displaying various directories and files using 'ls' command.
- cd Changing directory to desktop
- pwd- printing current working directory.
- sudo -V Displaying version information using (Super Users do command)

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                                            keyur@kali: ~/Desktop
  -(keyur⊛kali)-[~]
Desktop
           Downloads Pictures Templates
                                              file.txt
                       Public
                                  Videos
  -(keyur⊛kali)-[~]
└<mark>$ cd Desktop</mark>
  —(keyur⊛kali)-[~/Desktop]
_$ pwd
/home/keyur/Desktop
  -(keyur⊛kali)-[~/Desktop]
∟$ <u>sudo</u> -V
Sudo version 1.9.15p5
Sudoers policy plugin version 1.9.15p5
Sudoers file grammar version 50
Sudoers I/O plugin version 1.9.15p5
Sudoers audit plugin version 1.9.15p5
   -(keyur®kali)-[~/Desktop]
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#### 3) Explore System Information:

- uname -a: Displaying detailed information about system like kernel name, network node hostname, kernel release, kernel version, machine hardware architecture, and the operating system.
- df -h: This command is used in Unix-like operating systems to display information about disk space usage on mounted filesystems in a human-readable format.
- free -m: This command is used in Unix-like operating systems to display information about system memory usage.
- df -a: This command in Unix-like operating systems is used to display information about all filesystems, including those with 0 blocks (i.e., pseudo filesystems like /proc).

```
ş aname ~a
Linux kali 6.5.0-kali3-amd64 #1 SMP PREEMPT_DYNAMIC Debian 6.5.6-1kali1 (2023-10-09) x86_64 GNU/
Linux
Filesystem
                 Size Used Avail Use% Mounted on
                                      0% /dev
1% /run
                 1.9G
                             1.9G
                 392M 1.2M 391M
tmpfs
                                    49% /
0% /dev/shm
/dev/sda1
                  33G
                         15G
                               16G
                 2.0G
5.0M
                              2.0G
tmpfs
tmpfs
                              5.0M
                                      0% /run/lock
                 392M 112K 392M
                                      1% /run/user/1000
tmpfs
  -(keyur⊛kali)-[~]
                                                       shared buff/cache
                total
                              used
                                                                              available
                               1241
                                            2346
                                                                       543
Mem:
                 3912
                                                                                    2671
Swap:
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```
df: /run/user/1000/doc: Operation not permitted
Filesystem
                  1K-blocks
                                  Used Available Use% Mounted on
                                           0 - /sys
0 - /proc
1961736 0% /dev
sysfs
                           0
                           0
                                      0
proc
udev
                    1961736
devpts
                                                 ø
                                                        - /dev/pts
                           0
                                           0 - /dev,
399472 1% /run
                     400684
                                  1212
tmpfs
/dev/sda1
                   33794748 15562584
                                        16483276 49% /
                                          104832/0 49% /
0 - /sys/kernel/security
2003404 0% /dev/shm
5120 0% /run/lock
0 - /sys/fs/cgroup
0 - /sys/fs/pstore
securityfs
                           0
tmpfs
                    2003404
tmpfs
                       5120
                                      0
cgroup2
                          0
                           0
                                      0
pstore
                                                        - /sys/fs/bpf
bpf
                           0
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systemd-1
                                                        - /proc/sys/fs/binfmt_misc
debugfs
                                                        - /sys/kernel/debug
                                                       /dev/hugepages/sys/kernel/tracing/dev/mqueue
hugetlbfs
                           0
                                      0
tracefs
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mqueue
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configfs
                                                        - /sys/kernel/config
                           0
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                                                        - /sys/fs/fuse/connections
fusectl
                           0
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                                                        - /proc/sys/fs/binfmt_misc
binfmt_misc
                                      0
                                                  0
                                                        - /run/rpc_pipefs
sunrpc
                                                       1% /run/user/1000
tmpfs
                     400680
                                            400568
gvfsd-fuse
                                                        - /run/user/1000/gvfs
```

# 4) Check Network Configuration:

- Ifconfig: The ifconfig command is used in Unix-like operating systems to display and configure network interfaces on a system. It provides information about the current network configuration, including IP addresses, network masks, hardware addresses (MAC addresses), and more.
- ping google.com: The ping command is used to test the reachability of a host on an Internet Protocol (IP) network.

```
-(keyur�kali)-[~]
 -$ ifconfig
eth0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
       inet 192.168.0.103 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.168.0.255
       inet6 fe80::a00:27ff:fe2d:5ef8 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
       ether 08:00:27:2d:5e:f8 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
       RX packets 126 bytes 25439 (24.8 KiB)
       RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0
       TX packets 70 bytes 7808 (7.6 KiB)
       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 24 bytes 1440 (1.4 KiB)
       RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0
                                           frame 0
       TX packets 24 bytes 1440 (1.4 KiB)
       TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

```
-(keyur⊕kali)-[~]
└$ ping 192.168.0.103
PING 192.168.0.103 (192.168.0.103) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from 192.168.0.103: icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=0.113 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.0.103: icmp_seq=2 ttl=64 time=0.030 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.0.103: icmp_seq=3 ttl=64 time=0.047 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.0.103: icmp_seq=4 ttl=64 time=0.039 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.0.103: icmp_seq=5 ttl=64 time=0.043 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.0.103: icmp_seq=6 ttl=64 time=0.044 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.0.103: icmp_seq=7 ttl=64 time=0.041 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.0.103: icmp_seq=8 ttl=64 time=0.042 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.0.103: icmp_seq=9 ttl=64 time=0.037 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.0.103: icmp_seq=10 ttl=64 time=0.041 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.0.103: icmp_seq=11 ttl=64 time=0.046 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.0.103: icmp_seq=12 ttl=64 time=0.049 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.0.103: icmp_seq=13 ttl=64 time=0.031 ms
64 bytes from 192.168.0.103: icmp_seq=14 ttl=64 time=0.040 ms
^z
zsh: suspended
                ping 192.168.0.103
```

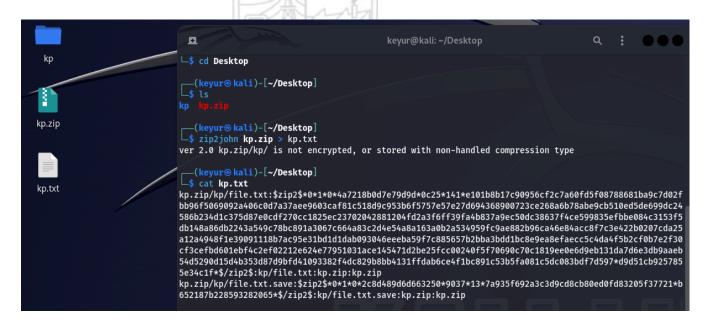
```
—(keyur⊛kali)-[~]
  -$ ping google.com
PING google.com (142.250.183.46) 56(84) bytes of data.
64 bytes from bom12s11-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.46): icmp_seq=1 ttl=52 time=10.5 ms
64 bytes from bom12s11-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.46): icmp_seq=2 ttl=52 time=10.2 ms
64 bytes from bom12s11-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.46): icmp_seq=3 ttl=52 time=20.5 ms
64 bytes from bom12s11-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.46): icmp_seq=4 ttl=52 time=10.5 ms 64 bytes from bom12s11-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.46): icmp_seq=5 ttl=52 time=9.84 ms
64 bytes from bom12s11-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.46): icmp_seq=6 ttl=52 time=52.7 ms
64 bytes from bom12s11-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.46): icmp_seq=7 ttl=52 time=75.4 ms
64 bytes from bom12s11-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.46): icmp_seq=8 ttl=52 time=27.6 ms
64 bytes from bom12s11-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.46): icmp_seq=9 ttl=52 time=14.7 ms
64 bytes from bom12s11-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.46): icmp_seq=10 ttl=52 time=32.0 ms
64 bytes from bom12s11-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.46): icmp_seq=11 ttl=52 time=45.2 ms
64 bytes from bom12s11-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.46): icmp_seq=12 ttl=52 time=10.6 ms 64 bytes from bom12s11-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.46): icmp_seq=13 ttl=52 time=13.9 ms
64 bytes from bom12s11-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.46): icmp_seq=14 ttl=52 time=10.2 ms
64 bytes from bom12s11-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.46): icmp_seq=15 ttl=52 time=9.68 ms 64 bytes from bom12s11-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.46): icmp_seq=16 ttl=52 time=8.04 ms
64 bytes from bom12s11-in-f14.1e100.net (142.250.183.46): icmp_seq=17 ttl=52 time=9.86 ms
zsh: suspended ping google.com
```

#### 5) Navigate through File System:

- cd changing directories to documents and desktop.
- cd .. previous directory
- Is -a listing directory and files.

```
-(keyur⊛kali)-[~]
        Documents Downloads Music Pictures Public Templates Videos file.txt
  -(keyur⊛kali)-[~]
—$ cd Documents
 —(keyur⊛kali)-[~/Documents]
AUTORUN.INF
                        VBoxDarwinAdditionsUninstall.tool VBoxWindowsAdditions.exe
                        VBoxLinuxAdditions.run
                                                           autorun.sh
                        VBoxSolarisAdditions.pkg
                        VBoxWindowsAdditions-amd64.exe
TRANS.TBL
                                                           runasroot.sh
VBoxDarwinAdditions.pkg VBoxWindowsAdditions-x86.exe
                                                           windows11-bypass.reg
 —(keyur⊛kali)-[~/Documents]
_$`cd ..
  —(keyur⊛kali)-[~]
_$ cd Desktop
  -(keyur®kali)-[~/Desktop]
  -(keyur®kali)-[~/Desktop]
_$ ls -a
  -(keyur�kali)-[~/Desktop]
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6) Explore Pre-Installed Tools:
John The Ripper(Password cracking for a simple zip file)



```
-(keyur⊛kali)-[~/Desktop]
└$ john kp.txt
Using default input encoding: UTF-8
Loaded 2 password hashes with 2 different salts (ZIP, WinZip [PBKDF2-SHA1 128/128 SSE2 4x])
Loaded hashes with cost 1 (HMAC size) varying from 19 to 321
Will run 3 OpenMP threads
Proceeding with single, rules:Single
Press 'q' or Ctrl-C to abort, almost any other key for status
Almost done: Processing the remaining buffered candidate passwords, if any.
Proceeding with wordlist:/usr/share/john/password.lst
                 (kp.zip/kp/file.txt)
(kp.zip/kp/file.txt.save)
hello123
hello123
2g 0:00:00:03 DONE 2/3 (2024-02-12 23:28) 0.6024g/s 28158p/s 29086c/s 29086C/s 123456..mobydick
Use the "--show" option to display all of the cracked passwords reliably
Session completed.
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The yellow text is password for zip file 'kp'.

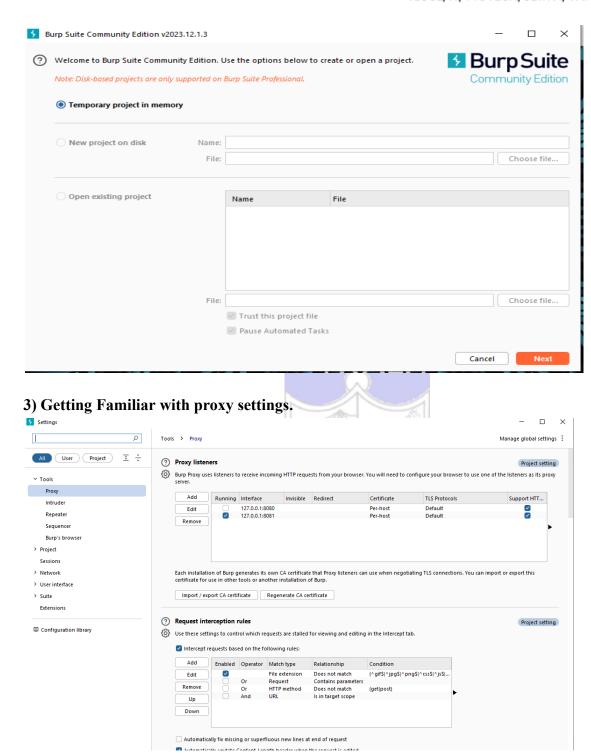
# **Burpsuite:**

1. Launch Burp Suite:

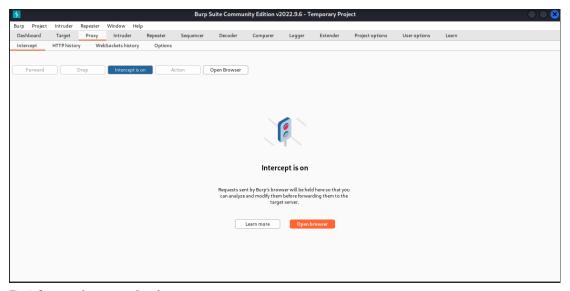
# Burp Suite

Community Edition

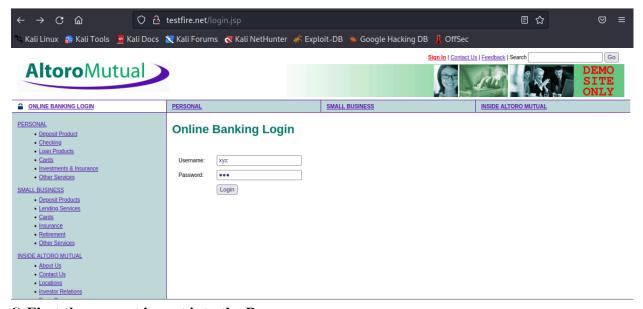
2. Creating a new project.



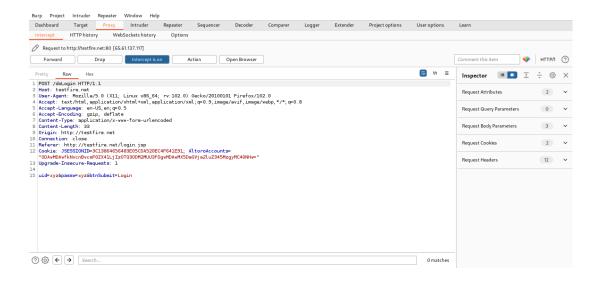
4) After setting it up we start the intercept:



5) After going to a login page:



6) First the request is sent into the Burp:



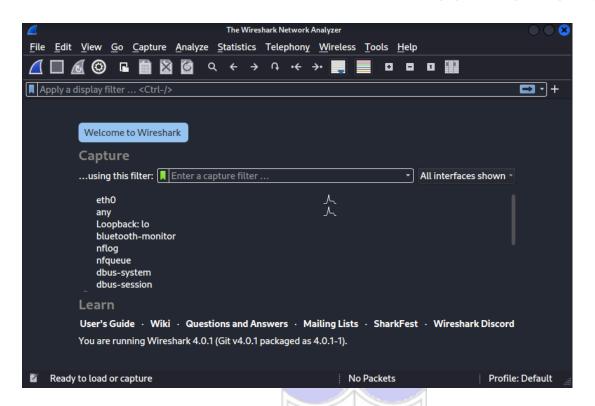
# 7) Manually changing the UID and Password:

.4 .5 uid=admin&passw=admin<mark>&btnSubmit=Login</mark>

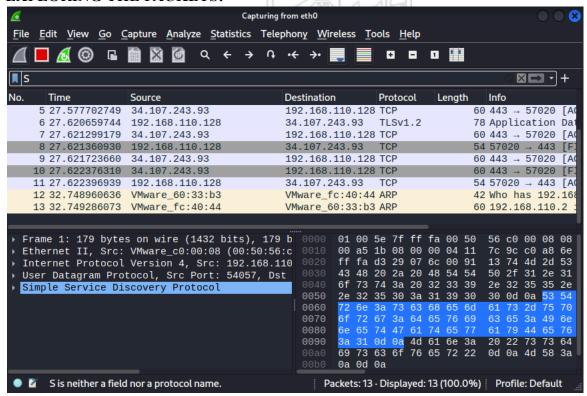
# 8) Forward the Request:



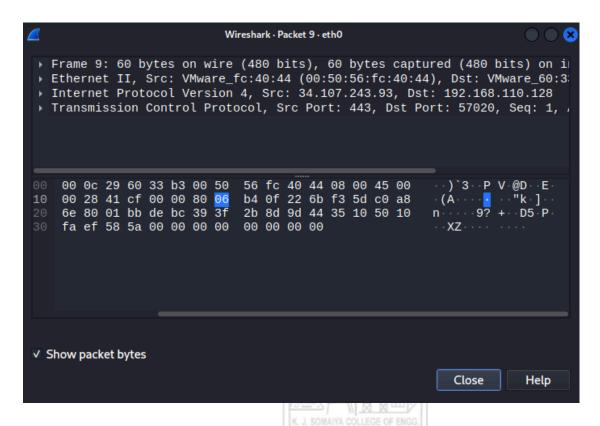
# Wireshark:



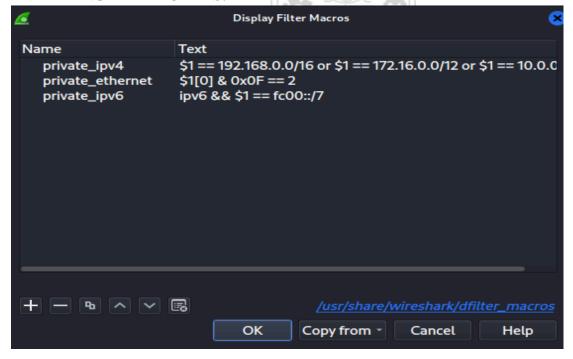
#### **EXPLORING THE PACKETS:**



#### **SHOWING A PACKET DETAILS:**



# **ANALYZING THE PACKETS:**



#### **FOLLOWING TCP Streams:**

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Wireshark · Follow TCP Stream (tcp.stream eq 0) · eth0
               .c..CT>..4.t.WC...>.M...4.0{G....+./....,.0.
. . . . . . . . . . . [ .
        .....(.&..#content-
signature-2.cdn.mozilla.net......
   .....h2.http/1.1.....
          .....0...0.fr.0
        *.H..
                ..U....US1.0...U.
.....021.0
Let's Encrypt1.0 ..U....R30..
240114120452Z.
240413120451Z0.1,0*..U...#content-signature-2.cdn.mozilla.net0.."0
        *.H..
.....t.y.Q.....2.b.T...:\}.q.H.2.\}.v..3..[..gh9..!
t...^.F.eK(....;"H............^.A..l......-P.\G
t...^.F.eK(....;"H... ....!.....^.A..l....-P.}G...L..r.w..
1..;.@>.....2.8D8...E.a..*..L6M+....F..d
8...II..`.d.}..N.Y7.G...l............LC..Q.99.....>...x....2.../
o.Ii......LQ..Q...s?...._s.2.y......&0.."0...U........
0...U.%..0...+......+....+....0...U......
10 client pkts, 7 server pkts, 10 turns.
Entire conversation (11 kB) Show data as ASCII
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#### Post Lab Ouestions: -

1. Describe a specific scenario to utilize Kali Linux tools for a penetration testing engagement. Identify at least two tools from Kali's arsenal and explain their roles in addressing security vulnerabilities. How to approach a simulated network assessment using these tools?

Ans: Sure, let's consider a scenario where a company has hired you to perform a penetration testing engagement on their internal network to identify and address potential security vulnerabilities. For this simulation, we'll focus on using Kali Linux tools to conduct the assessment

#### Scenario:

You have been given the task to assess the security of a company's internal network, which includes servers, workstations, and network infrastructure. The goal is to identify vulnerabilities that could be exploited by malicious actors.

#### Kali Linux Tools and Their Roles:

# 1. Nmap (Network Mapper):

- Role: Nmap is a powerful network scanning tool that can be used to discover hosts, services, and open ports on a network.
- **Utilization**: Start with an initial reconnaissance by running an Nmap scan on the target network to identify live hosts and open ports. This information will help you understand the network topology and potential entry points.

# 2. Metasploit:

- Role: Metasploit is a penetration testing framework that allows you to develop, test, and execute exploits against a target system.
- Utilization: After identifying open ports and services with Nmap, use Metasploit to find and exploit vulnerabilities. For example, if a vulnerable version of a service is running on a target machine, Metasploit can automate the process of exploiting it.

Simulated Network Assessment Approach:

#### 1. Reconnaissance:

- Use Nmap to conduct an initial scan to identify live hosts and open ports on the target network.
- Gather information about the target systems, such as operating systems and services running on open ports.

# 2. Vulnerability Scanning:

• Utilize tools like OpenVAS or Nessus from Kali Linux to perform vulnerability scans on the identified hosts.

• Identify potential weaknesses and prioritize them based on their severity.

#### 3. Exploitation:

- Use Metasploit to exploit known vulnerabilities on the target systems.
- Gain access to vulnerable machines and escalate privileges if possible.

#### 4. Post-exploitation:

- Once access is gained, perform post-exploitation activities to assess the extent of the compromise.
- Evaluate the security measures in place to detect and respond to the intrusion.

#### 5. Documentation:

- Document the findings, including identified vulnerabilities, exploited systems, and recommendations for remediation.
- Provide a detailed report to the client, outlining the security posture of their network and suggesting improvements.

It's crucial to conduct penetration testing within a legal and authorized framework. Always ensure you have explicit permission from the client before attempting any penetration testing activities.

2. In a web application security testing scenario, outline the steps to be taken using Burp Suite's Proxy and Scanner modules. How does intercepting and modifying requests contribute to the assessment, and what types of vulnerabilities can the automated scanner detect? Provide a step-by-step walkthrough.

#### Ans:

- 1. Configure Browser to Use Burp Proxy:
- Set up your browser to use Burp Suite as a proxy. Configure the browser's proxy settings to point to Burp's proxy listener (default is usually `127.0.0.1:8080`).

#### 2. Enable Intercept in Burp Proxy:

• In Burp Suite, go to the "Proxy" tab and make sure the "Intercept is on" button is clicked. This allows you to intercept and modify HTTP requests and responses.

#### 3. Explore the Application:

• Navigate through the web application, allowing Burp to capture and display requests and responses in the "Proxy" tab. This helps you understand the application's functionality and flow.

#### 4. Intercept and Modify Requests:

- Identify interesting requests (login, form submissions, etc.) and intercept them using Burp.
- Modify parameters, headers, or other data in the request to observe how the application responds.
- This helps in identifying potential security flaws such as injection vulnerabilities.

#### 5. Use Burp Scanner:

- In Burp Suite, go to the "Scanner" tab and configure your scan settings (target, scope, etc.).
- Start an automated scan using the Burp Scanner to identify common web application vulnerabilities

#### 6. Review Scanner Findings:

- Burp Scanner will perform automated checks for various vulnerabilities such as SQL injection, cross-site scripting (XSS), and more.
- Review the scanner findings in the "Scanner" tab, and verify the identified vulnerabilities manually.

#### **Intercepting and Modifying Requests:**

- **Purpose:** Intercepting requests allows you to observe and modify data before it reaches the server. This is crucial for identifying security vulnerabilities, such as injection attacks or insecure direct object references.
- Example: SQL Injection
  - Intercept a login request.
  - Modify the username or password field by injecting SQL code to see if the application is vulnerable.
  - Analyze how the application responds to manipulated input.

# **Automated Scanner Capabilities:**

#### 1. SQL Injection (SQLi):

- Automated scanner checks for SQL injection vulnerabilities by injecting malicious SQL code into input fields.

# 2. Cross-Site Scripting (XSS):

- Identifies places where user input is not properly sanitized, allowing for the injection of malicious scripts.

# 3. Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF)

- Detects potential CSRF vulnerabilities by analyzing how the application handles state-changing requests.

## 4. Security Misconfigurations:

- Scans for misconfigurations in the web application or server settings that could expose sensitive information.

#### 5. Out-of-date Software:

- Identifies outdated software components or libraries that may have known vulnerabilities.

By following these steps and combining automated scanning with manual testing, you can comprehensively assess the security of a web application using Burp Suite.

3. Explain how Wireshark could be instrumental in identifying the root cause of the network connectivity issue. Provide specific examples of network anomalies or errors that Wireshark can help uncover and the corresponding steps to be taken form mitigation.

**Ans:** Wireshark is a powerful network protocol analyzer that allows you to capture and inspect the traffic on a network. It can be instrumental in identifying the root cause of network connectivity issues by analyzing the packets exchanged between devices. Here are some examples of network anomalies or errors that Wireshark can help uncover and steps to mitigate them:

#### **Example Scenarios and Mitigation Steps:**

#### 1. Packet Loss:

- **Symptoms:** Users report intermittent connectivity issues or slow network performance.

# - Wireshark Analysis:

- Capture traffic and look for a high number of retransmissions, duplicate ACKs, or ICMP messages indicating packet loss.

## - Mitigation:

- Identify and resolve the cause of packet loss, which could be due to network congestion, faulty hardware, or interference.

# 2. Network Latency:

- Symptoms: Users experience delays when accessing applications or services.

# - Wireshark Analysis:

- Analyze round-trip times (RTTs) in the captured packets to identify delays.
- Look for TCP handshake delays or delayed responses from servers.

# - Mitigation:

- Optimize network configurations, address routing issues, or consider upgrading network infrastructure to reduce latency.

#### 3. DNS Resolution Issues:

- Symptoms: Users report difficulty accessing websites or services by domain names.

# - Wireshark Analysis:

- Look for DNS queries and responses to identify any delays or failed resolutions.

# - Mitigation:

- Investigate DNS server configurations, check for DNS server availability, and resolve any issues affecting DNS resolution.

# 4. TCP Connection Failures:

- **Symptoms:** Users encounter errors when trying to establish TCP connections to specific services.

# - Wireshark Analysis:

- Inspect TCP handshake packets and check for any anomalies in the connection establishment process.

## - Mitigation:

- Address firewall rules, network ACLs, or routing issues that may be blocking the establishment of TCP connections.

#### 5. Broadcast Storms:

- Symptoms: Network becomes slow or unresponsive for all users.

# - Wireshark Analysis:

- Observe a high volume of broadcast or multicast traffic in the captured packets.

# - Mitigation:

- Identify and isolate the source of the broadcast storm, which could be caused by a misconfigured device or a malfunctioning network component.

# 6. ARP Spoofing or Poisoning:

- **Symptoms:** Unexpected network behavior, such as unauthorized access or man-in-the-middle attacks.

#### - Wireshark Analysis:

- Monitor Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) traffic for unusual or inconsistent MAC address mappings.

# - Mitigation:

- Implement ARP spoofing detection tools or use static ARP entries to prevent unauthorized address resolutions.

# **General Steps for Mitigation:**

# 1. Identify the Root Cause:

- Use Wireshark to pinpoint the specific network anomaly or error causing connectivity issues.

2. Isolate the Affected Componen
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- Determine whether the issue is localized to a specific device, network segment, or application.

# 3. Address Configuration Issues:

- Correct misconfigurations in routers, switches, firewalls, or DNS servers identified through Wireshark analysis.

# 4. Optimize Network Infrastructure:

- Upgrade hardware, address bandwidth limitations, and optimize routing to improve overall network performance.

# **5. Implement Security Measures:**

- Apply security measures to mitigate issues such as broadcast storms, ARP spoofing, or other security-related anomalies.

#### 6. Monitor and Test:

- Continuously monitor the network and perform periodic tests to ensure that the identified issues have been resolved.

Wireshark serves as a valuable tool in the troubleshooting process by providing detailed insights into network traffic, helping network administrators identify and resolve connectivity issues effectively.

#### **Outcomes:**

**CO 1:** Realize that premise of vulnerability analysis and penetration testing (VAPT).

Conclusion: (Conclusion to be based on the objectives and outcomes achieved)

Learned the different types and uses of multiple vulnerability tools and also setting them up to understand the different uses and functions of them.

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