

Day 1



I wilk skip the basic installation and hello world stuff.

Lets get to the extended Day 1:

✓ What We're Building

- 1. ARP scan \rightarrow find nearby devices
- 2. Port scan (1-1024) on each device
- 3. Ping each IP \rightarrow Guess OS based on TTL

STEP 1: Setup ARP scan with scapy

```
def arp_scan(subnet="192.168.1.0/24"):
  print(f"[*] Scanning subnet: {subnet}")
  # ARP request packet to broadcast
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from scapy.all import ARP, Ether, srp

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arp = ARP(pdst=subnet)
ether = Ether(dst="ff:ff:ff:ff:ff")
packet = ether/arp
result = srp(packet, timeout=2, verbose=0)[0]
hosts = []
for sent, received in result:
  hosts.append(received.psrc)
print(f"[+] Found {len(hosts)} active hosts.")
return hosts
```

S GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Term	Meaning
Scapy	A powerful Python library used to send, sniff, and manipulate network packets
ARP	Address Resolution Protocol — used to ask "Who has this IP address?" and get their MAC address
Ether	Ethernet layer — lets you set things like destination MAC address
srp()	Send and receive packets at Layer 2 (Ethernet) — returns sent/received pairs
subnet	A group of IPs. 192.168.1.0/24 means: "Scan all 256 IPs from .1 to .254"
ff:ff:ff:ff:ff	A "broadcast" MAC address — it says: "Hey EVERYONE on this network, listen up"
packet = ether/arp	Combines the Ethernet and ARP layers into one packet
timeout	How long to wait for a reply before giving up
verbose=0	Don't print logs while sending packets (quiet mode)
psrc	The IP address from the ARP reply ("who sent this response")

Now let's dive in deep:

from scapy.all import ARP, Ether, srp

We're telling Python:

"Hey, I want to use Scapy — specifically the tools for making ARP packets (ARP), Ethernet frames (Ether), and a function to send/receive them (srp)."

- ARP = creates the "who has this IP?" question
- Ether = sets up the "send this question to everyone" part
- srp() = sends it out, waits for replies

def arp_scan(subnet="192.168.1.0/24"):

We're making a **function** called <arp_scan that:

- Takes one input: a subnet (defaults to your home network range)
- Will return a list of IPs that replied

This is how you organize logic to reuse it.

print(f"[*] Scanning subnet: {subnet}")

We're just giving feedback to the user:

"Hey, I'm scanning this range of IPs"

The $f^{""}$ is an f-string, letting you insert variables inside the string.

arp = ARP(pdst=subnet)

We're creating the **ARP packet**:

pdst = "protocol destination" = IP addresses to ask "Who are you?"

This says:

"I want to know who owns every IP in this subnet."

ether = Ether(dst="ff:ff:ff:ff:ff")

We're making the **Ethernet frame** around the ARP packet.

• ff:ff:ff:ff:ff is a broadcast address = shout to the whole network.

This line is like saying:

"Wrap my ARP question in a loud envelope so everyone hears it."

packet = ether/arp

We're stacking layers — this is how Scapy works.

We're saying:

"Send this Ethernet frame which contains an ARP request inside it."

This is like nesting letters in an envelope.

result = srp(packet, timeout=2, verbose=0)[0]

This is where magic happens:

- srp() sends the packet
- Waits up to 2 seconds for replies
- Doesn't show any logs (verbose=0)
- It returns a list of (sent, received) pairs

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"Send out my question. Tell me who responded, and forget about who didn't."

hosts = [received.psrc for sent, received in result]

This is a **list comprehension** — a compact way to build a list.

• received.psrc = the IP address of the responder

So this says:

"For every reply, extract the IP address and save it in a list called hosts."

print(f"[+] Found {len(hosts)} active hosts.")

Simple log:

"How many devices replied?"

The [+] is a convention in CLI tools — like:

- [+] = positive result
- [-] = error
- [*] = info

return hosts

We're sending that list of IPs back to whoever called the arp_scan()

That means later you can do:

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devices = arp_scan()

And devices will be a list like:

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SUMMARY:

• This function finds all devices currently online in my network by shouting:

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"Who's at 192.168.1.X?" and listening for replies
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- It uses ARP, which works at the local network level (Layer 2)
- It returns a list of IP addresses that replied

['192.168.1.1', '192.168.1.10', '192.168.1.30']

```
import socket

def scan_ports(ip, ports=range(1, 1025)):
    print(f"\n[*] Scanning ports on {ip}...")
    open_ports = []
    for port in ports:
        try:
            sock = socket.socket()
            sock.settimeout(0.5)
            sock.connect((ip, port))
            open_ports.append(port)
            sock.close()
            except:
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pass return open_ports

SECTION SERVING SERVINGS

Term	Meaning
socket	A Python module for network communication
port	A "door" into a computer (e.g., port 80 = HTTP)
socket.socket()	Opens a new network connection attempt
settimeout(0.5)	Don't wait forever — give up after 0.5 seconds
connect()	Try to connect to that IP and port
open_ports.append()	If it responds, add it to our list
sock.close()	Always close your socket after you're done
tryexcept	A way to avoid crashing if something fails

Let's explore line by line:

import socket

This pulls in Python's built-in networking library — it lets you talk to ports.

You're basically saying:

"Yo Python, I need to poke some ports. Give me low-level access to the internet stack."

def scan_ports(ip, ports=range(1, 1025)):

You're defining a function named scan_ports.

- ip = the target computer (like 192.168.1.10)
- ports=range(1, 1025) = you're saying:

"By default, scan ports 1 through 1024."

In security, these are called well-known ports — used for common services like:

- 22 → SSH
- 80 → HTTP
- 443 → HTTPS

print(f"\n[*] Scanning ports on {ip}...")

Just tells the user:

"Hey, I'm checking this IP now."

The n puts a blank line before it for visual clarity.

open_ports = []

This creates an **empty list**.

We'll add each open port we discover into this list.

for port in ports:

We're going to loop over each number from 1 to 1024 (unless you specify something else).

It's like saying:

"Let's try every possible door and see if it opens."

try:

We're about to run risky code.

If anything goes wrong (e.g., the port is closed, the host rejects us), this lets us **handle failure gracefully**.

sock = socket.socket()

This creates a new **socket object** — think of it as a "handshake attempt".

You're telling your OS:

"Please open a connection channel for me."

sock.settimeout(0.5)

By default, sockets can hang forever.

This says:

"Wait max 0.5 seconds before giving up."

It prevents your script from freezing.

sock.connect((ip, port))

This is where the actual connection is attempted.

If the port is **open**, it **won't error**.

If the port is **closed**, you'll get a ConnectionRefusedError.

So:

"Try to talk to this door. If someone answers, it's open."

open_ports.append(port)

If we got here, the connection **succeeded**.

So we add that port to our list of wins.

sock.close()

Very important: You clean up the socket (free the resource).

This avoids leaking too many open sockets in your system.

except: pass

This says:

"If any error happens (like port is closed), do nothing and keep going."

We're not logging errors here to keep the output clean — just hunting for wins.

return open_ports

After all ports are checked, we return a list of the ones that were open.

E.g.,

[22, 80, 443]

This tells us:

"Hey, this machine is running SSH, HTTP, and HTTPS!"

SUMMARY

- We wrote a function to try knocking on every port on a device.
- If it gets an answer (i.e. no error), the port is open.
- It stores all successful ports in a list and gives it back.

STEP 3: Ping IP and Guess OS from TTL

```
from scapy.all import IP, ICMP, sr1
def guess_os(ip):
  pkt = IP(dst=ip)/ICMP()
  reply = sr1(pkt, timeout=1, verbose=0)
  if reply:
    ttl = reply.ttl
     if ttl >= 128:
       return "Windows"
     elif ttl >= 64:
       return "Linux"
     else:
       return "Unknown"
  return "No response"
```

📚 Glossary Terms

Term	Meaning
IP()	Creates an IP packet. We use it to set the destination (dst=)
ICMP()	Internet Control Message Protocol – the type of packet used by ping
sr1()	Send one packet and wait for one response (like a ping)
TTL	Time To Live – every OS sets a default TTL when it sends packets. Windows \approx 128, Linux \approx 64

What Are We Trying to Do?

We're going to:

- 1. Ping a device using an ICMP packet
- 2. Look at the TTL value in the reply
- 3. Use that TTL to guess the OS:
 - TTL ≈ 128 → Probably Windows
 - TTL ≈ 64 → Probably Linux
 - Anything else → Meh, we can't tell

Line-by-Line Deep Dive

from scapy.all import IP, ICMP, sr1

We're pulling in Scapy tools again:

- P() → lets us make an IP packet
- ICMP() → gives us a ping request
- sr1() \rightarrow sends that packet and waits for exactly 1 reply

def guess_os(ip):

We're defining a function:

"Give us an IP address, and we'll try to guess the OS."

pkt = IP(dst=ip)/ICMP()

We're building the packet:

- $|P(dst=ip)| \rightarrow destination is the IP we want to ping$
- /ICMP() \rightarrow we're attaching an ICMP Echo Request to it

In Scapy, using / stacks layers — this is a complete ping packet now.

Think of it like:

Envelope: IP

Letter inside: ICMP

Sent to: the target IP

reply = sr1(pkt, timeout=1, verbose=0)

We send the packet and wait for a reply.

- timeout=1 → wait only 1 second
- verbose=0 → don't show logs

If there's no response, reply will be None.

if reply:

If we did get a response, we keep going.

If not, we return "No response" (we'll get to that at the end).

ttl = reply.ttl

We pull the TTL value out of the response.

TTL = "How many hops this packet can survive before dying"
But each OS sets a default TTL when it sends a packet:

- Windows → usually starts at 128
- Linux \rightarrow usually starts at 64

So this value clues us in to what OS the responder is using.

if ttl >= 128: return "Windows"

If TTL is 128 or more, we guess:

"This is probably Windows."

elif ttl >= 64: return "Linux"

If it's between 64 and 127, we guess:

"Looks like Linux."

else: return "Unknown"

If it's anything weird or low - like 30, 55, 12, etc. - we can't confidently say what OS it is.

return "No response"

This is the fallback.

If the host didn't respond at all, we return:

"No response" — might be offline, firewalled, or ignoring pings

🧠 Summary in Plain Words

- We build a ping packet
- We send it to the target
- \bullet If it responds, we check the TTL
- \bullet Based on that, we infer the operating system

It's not 100% accurate, but it's a **lightweight way to fingerprint devices**.

STEP 4: Combine It All

```
def main():
    subnet = "192.168.1.0/24"
    hosts = arp_scan(subnet)

for ip in hosts:
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ports = scan_ports(ip)
  os_guess = guess_os(ip)
  print(f"\n[+] {ip} - OS: {os_guess}")
  print(f" Open Ports: {ports if ports else 'None'}")

if __name__ == "__main__":
  main()
```

Explanation - Line by Line

def main():

We're defining a function called main().

This is our tool's central brain.

Just like in every team, there's a person who coordinates everything — $\frac{\text{main}()}{\text{main}}$ is that person.

It will:

- Run the ARP scan
- Loop through each IP
- Run the port scan
- Guess the OS
- Print results

subnet = "192.168.1.0/24"

We're setting the network to scan.

- 192.168.1.0/24 is a common home Wi-Fi subnet
- /24 means:

"Scan all addresses from .1 to .254"

This line defines the scope of the scan.

hosts = arp_scan(subnet)

We call the ARP scanner from earlier and pass in our subnet.

- It returns a list of IPs that replied
- We store that list in a variable called hosts

At this point, we have a list of live devices on the network.

for ip in hosts:

We now **loop** through each IP address in that list.

For example:

- IP 1: 192.168.1.1
- IP 2: 192.168.1.10
- IP 3: 192.168.1.42

We're going to scan each of them individually.

ports = scan_ports(ip)

We call our **port scanner**, sending it the IP address.

It returns a list of open ports (or an empty list).

Example:

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[22, 80, 443]
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os_guess = guess_os(ip)

We call our **OS guessing function**.

• If we get a reply, it returns "Windows", "Linux", or "Unknown"

• If nothing replies, we get "No response"

We now know:

- Who is online
- Which ports are open
- What OS they might be running

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print(f"\n[+] {ip} - OS: {os_guess}")
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We show the results:

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[+] 192.168.1.10 - OS: Windows
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The n gives a blank line for better spacing between devices.

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print(f" Open Ports: {ports if ports else 'None'}")
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We print open ports.

If the list ports has data, we show it.

If it's empty, we just say "None".

This keeps our output clean, readable, and compact.

```
if __name__ == "__main__":
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This is Python's way of saying:

"Only run main() if this file is being run directly."

If someone imports our scanner into another script later, main() won't run — which is great behavior for reusable tools.

main()

We finally run the main function — kicking off the entire flow.

Final Mental Picture

We built a tool that:

- 1. Looks around the local network
- 2. Says "Who's here?"
- 3. Tries every port on each device
- 4. Pings them and reads the TTL
- 5. Outputs:
 - IP
 - 0S
 - Open ports

That's a full-blown, real-world **recon script** — the kind used by both security engineers and attackers.

FULL SCRIPT:

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  for ip in hosts:
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