Network Security Tools Usage Report

1. Introduction

This report documents the usage of various network security tools to assess and analyze the security posture of the network. The tools used include Wireshark for packet capture and analysis, Nmap for network vulnerability scanning, and Nmap's scripting engine for penetration testing. The findings and recommendations based on the analysis are provided to enhance the network's security.

2. Wireshark Capture and Analysis

2.1 Multicast DNS (mDNS) Activity

Description:

- Frequent mDNS queries (e.g., _ipp._tcp.local, _airplay._tcp.local, _raop._tcp.local) from multiple devices (e.g., 10.138.16.77, 10.138.16.65, 10.138.16.166).
- Devices advertising services:
  - Printers: HP Color LaserJet MFP M182nw, HP OfficeJet Pro 8020 series.
  - Apple devices: MacBook Air, _companion-link, _airplay, and _raop services.

Analysis:

- mDNS is used for zero-configuration service discovery in local networks.
- Risk: Exposes device/service details to all local hosts, potentially aiding attackers in mapping the network.
- Notable Queries: _sleep-proxy._udp.local (Apple Sleep Proxy) and _rfb._tcp.local (Remote Framebuffer/VNC).

2.2 TCP/UDP Communications

Port 7000 Traffic (Packets 60–84, 199–211):

- Repeated connections from 10.138.16.136 to 10.138.20.26/27:7000.
- Risk: Port 7000 is non-standard and could indicate unauthorized file sharing or custom protocols (investigate service purpose).

QUIC/HTTP3 Traffic (Packets 159–178):

- Encrypted communication between 10.138.16.136 and Google servers (142.250.176.195).
- Risk: QUIC bypasses traditional TLS inspection tools.

2.3 Service Discovery & Broadcasts

Dropbox LAN Sync (Packets 104–105):

- Broadcast traffic from 10.138.16.249 on UDP port 17500.
- Risk: Unauthorized file synchronization could lead to data leakage.

DHCP Requests (Packets 153, 195):

- Requests from 0.0.0.0 (unconfigured clients).
- Risk: Potential for rogue DHCP servers if unmonitored.

2.4 ARP Activity

Packet 121: ARP request from 10.138.16.1 (Cisco Meraki) to resolve 10.138.16.136.

- Legitimate but could indicate spoofing if duplicated excessively.

3. Network Vulnerability Scanner Report

3.1 Nmap Vulnerability Scan

Command Used:

sudo nmap --script vuln 192.168.64.1

Output:

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Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-01-29 17:45 UTC
Nmap scan report for 192.168.64.1
Host is up (0.00036s latency).
Not shown: 998 closed tcp ports (reset)
PORT   STATE SERVICE VERSION
53/tcp open  domain  dnsmasq 2.80
|_http-server-header: dnsmasq-2.80
|_http-title: dnsmasq web interface
| vulners:
|   OS: Linux 3.10.0-1160.60.1.el7.x86_64 #1 SMP Tue Jun 22 15:55:27 UTC 2021
x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
|   dnsmasq 2.80:
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Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 206.64 seconds
Analysis:

- The vulnerability scan identified multiple CVEs associated with dnsmasq version 2.80.
- These vulnerabilities could be exploited to gain unauthorized access or disrupt services.

4. Network Penetration Testing Tool Output

4.1 Nmap Penetration Test Output

Command Used:

sudo nmap -sn 192.168.64.0/24

Output:

Starting Nmap 7.94SVN (https://nmap.org) at 2025-01-29 17:31 UTC
Nmap scan report for 192.168.64.1
Host is up (0.0010s latency).
MAC Address: 72:AE:D5:E2:81:64 (Unknown)

Nmap scan report for 192.168.64.2
Host is up.
Nmap done: 256 IP addresses (2 hosts up) scanned in 2.00 seconds

Analysis:

- The penetration test identified two active hosts within the 192.168.64.0/24 subnet.
- Further investigation is required to determine the services running on these hosts and their potential vulnerabilities.

5. Security Findings

Risk Level	Issue	Details
Medium	Excessive mDNS Broadcasts	Service discovery leaks device details (printers, Apple devices).
Low	Non-Standard Port Usage (7000)	Unclear purpose; could indicate unauthorized services.
Medium	QUIC Encryption Bypass	Limits visibility into encrypted traffic.
Low	Dropbox LAN Sync	Potential data exfiltration if unapproved.

High	Vulnerabilities in dnsmasq	Multiple CVEs identified; could lead to unauthorized access or disruption.

6. Recommendations

1. Restrict mDNS: Segment the network to limit mDNS traffic to trusted VLANs.
2. Audit Port 7000: Investigate the service running on 10.138.20.26/27:7000 for legitimacy.
3. Monitor QUIC Traffic: Deploy decryption proxies for compliance inspections.
4. Block Unapproved Services: Disable Dropbox LAN Sync if not required.
5. Implement DHCP Snooping: Prevent rogue DHCP servers.
6. Patch Vulnerabilities: Update dnsmasq to the latest version to mitigate identified vulnerabilities.

7. Conclusion

The network security assessment identified several potential risks and vulnerabilities. By implementing the recommended measures, the network's security posture can be significantly enhanced. Regular monitoring and periodic assessments are crucial to maintain a secure network environment.