

# **Module 4**

# **Enumeration**

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## Concept :

# Enumeration

1. Enumeration :
2. Enumeration is the process of gathering detailed information about a target system.
3. It comes after scanning and is the first active phase of ethical hacking.
4. The goal is to extract specific, valuable data about the target.
5. Attackers connect directly to the target to gather information.
6. It helps to identify:
  - Users
  - Network shares
  - Services
  - Ports
  - Operating systems
  - Applications
7. Enumeration reveals information that scanning cannot show.
8. It often uses protocols like:
  - SNMP
  - LDAP
  - SMB
  - DNS
  - SMTP
  - FTP
9. The information collected helps in finding vulnerabilities. It is an important step in penetration testing and red teaming.

# 1.NetBIOS :

1 . NetBIOS stands for Network Basic Input Output System.

2 . As a ethical hacker our first step in the enumeration of a windows system is to exploit the NetBIOS API.

3 . NetBIOS enumeration allows you to collect information about the target such as a list of computers that belong to a target domain,shares on individual hosts in the target network,policies,passwords,etc

4 . Windows uses NetBIOS for file and printer sharing.

5 . A NetBIOS name is a unique computer name assigned to windows system.

6 . NetBIOS enumeration is a process of obtaining sensitive information about the target such as a list of computers belonging to a target domain,network shares,politics,etc.

## 7 . Steps :

1 . nbtstat is a Windows command-line tool used to troubleshoot and gather information about NetBIOS over TCP/IP (NetBT).It displays the information about Computer name,Workgroup/domain name,Logged-in user name,Services running under NetBIOS.

2 . here we use nbtstat -a 192.168.1.63 , -a displays the NetBIOS name table of remote computer.

3 . The result displays the NetBIOS name table of remote computer.

4 . In the same command prompt run nbtstat -c here, -c lists the content of the NetBIOS name cache of the remote computer.

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Administrator: Command Prompt
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.26100.7171]
(c) Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

C:\Windows\System32>nbstat -a 192.168.1.63
'nbstat' is not recognized as an internal or external command,
operable program or batch file.

C:\Windows\System32>nbstat -a 192.168.1.63

Ethernet 4:
Node IpAddress: [192.168.56.1] Scope Id: []

Host not found.

Ethernet 5:
Node IpAddress: [192.168.212.1] Scope Id: []

Host not found.

Ethernet:
Node IpAddress: [0.0.0.0] Scope Id: []

Host not found.

Bluetooth Network Connection:
Node IpAddress: [0.0.0.0] Scope Id: []

Host not found.

Wi-Fi:
Node IpAddress: [192.168.1.21] Scope Id: []

NetBIOS Remote Machine Name Table

Name                Type                Status
-----
MUKGHA-PC            <20>                UNIQUE            Registered
MUKGHA-PC            <00>                UNIQUE            Registered
WORKGROUP            <00>                GROUP             Registered
WORKGROUP            <1E>                GROUP             Registered

MAC Address = 08-00-27-78-64-40

Local Area Connection* 1:
Node IpAddress: [0.0.0.0] Scope Id: []

Host not found.

Local Area Connection* 2:
Node IpAddress: [0.0.0.0] Scope Id: []

Host not found.

C:\Windows\System32>nbstat -c
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5 . then run net use in the same command prompt it displays the information about the target such as connection status,shared folder/drive,and network information.

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Administrator: Command Prompt

Host not found.

C:\Windows\System32>nbstat -c

Ethernet 4:
Node IpAddress: [192.168.56.1] Scope Id: []

No names in cache

Ethernet 5:
Node IpAddress: [192.168.212.1] Scope Id: []

No names in cache

Ethernet:
Node IpAddress: [0.0.0.0] Scope Id: []

No names in cache

Bluetooth Network Connection:
Node IpAddress: [0.0.0.0] Scope Id: []

No names in cache

Wi-Fi:
Node IpAddress: [192.168.1.21] Scope Id: []

No names in cache

Local Area Connection* 1:
Node IpAddress: [0.0.0.0] Scope Id: []

No names in cache

Local Area Connection* 2:
Node IpAddress: [0.0.0.0] Scope Id: []

No names in cache

C:\Windows\System32>net use
New connections will be remembered.

There are no entries in the list.

C:\Windows\System32>
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## 2 .SNMP :

1 . SNMP stands for simple network management protocol.

2 . As a ethical hacker our next step is to carry out snmp enumeration to extract information about network resources such as host,router,devices and shares and network information such as ARP tables,routing table devices specific information and traffic statistics.

3 .Steps :

1 . Used snmpwalk but the result is Timeout: No Response from 192.168.1.63 this means SNMP is not enabled or blocked on the target machine.

2 . Navigated to Nmap scripts directory `cd /usr/share/nmap/scripts` To check SNMP-related Nmap NSE scripts.

3 . Listed SNMP scripts: `ls snmp*` Nmap provides multiple SNMP scripts like:

1 . `snmp-brute.nse`

2 . `snmp-info.nse`

3 . `snmp-interfaces.nse`

4 . `snmp-processes.nse`

4 . Run Nmap SNMP brute-force script `nmap -sU -p 161 --script snmp-brute 192.168.1.63`

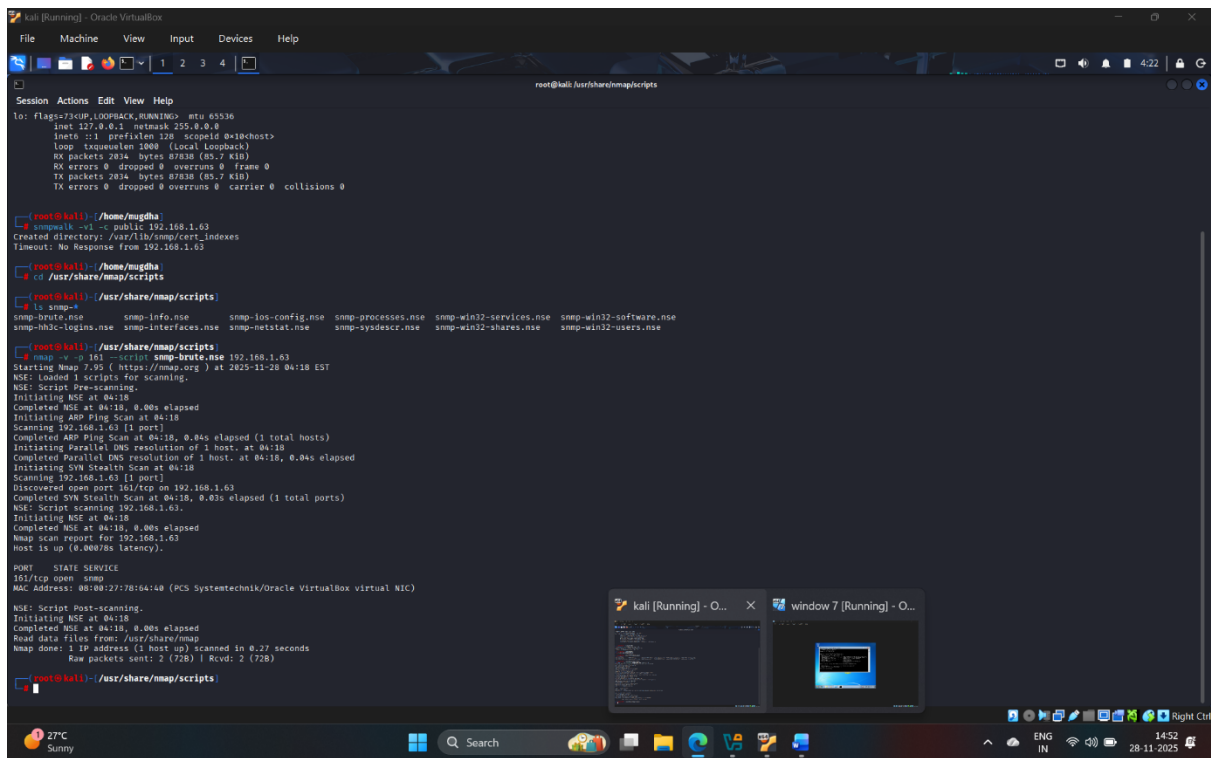
1 . `-sU` → UDP scan

2 . `-p 161` → SNMP port

3 . `--script snmp-brute` → brute-forces SNMP community strings

4 . `192.168.1.63` → target IP

5 . The result is port 161 is unreachable.



## 3 .LDAP :

1 . LDAP stands for Lightweight Directory Access Protocol.

2 . LDAP is a protocol used to access and manage directory services.

3 . It stores and retrieves information about:Users,Groups,Computers,Printers,Applications.

### 4 . Steps :

1 . `cd /usr/share/nmap/scripts` To access all Nmap NSE scripts related to LDAP for enumeration.

2 . `ls ldap*` This showed NSE scripts such as `ldap-rootdse.nse`, `ldap-search.nse`, `ldap-num.nse`, `ldap-brute.nse`, `ldap-novell-getpass.nse` these scripts are used to enumerate LDAP servers.

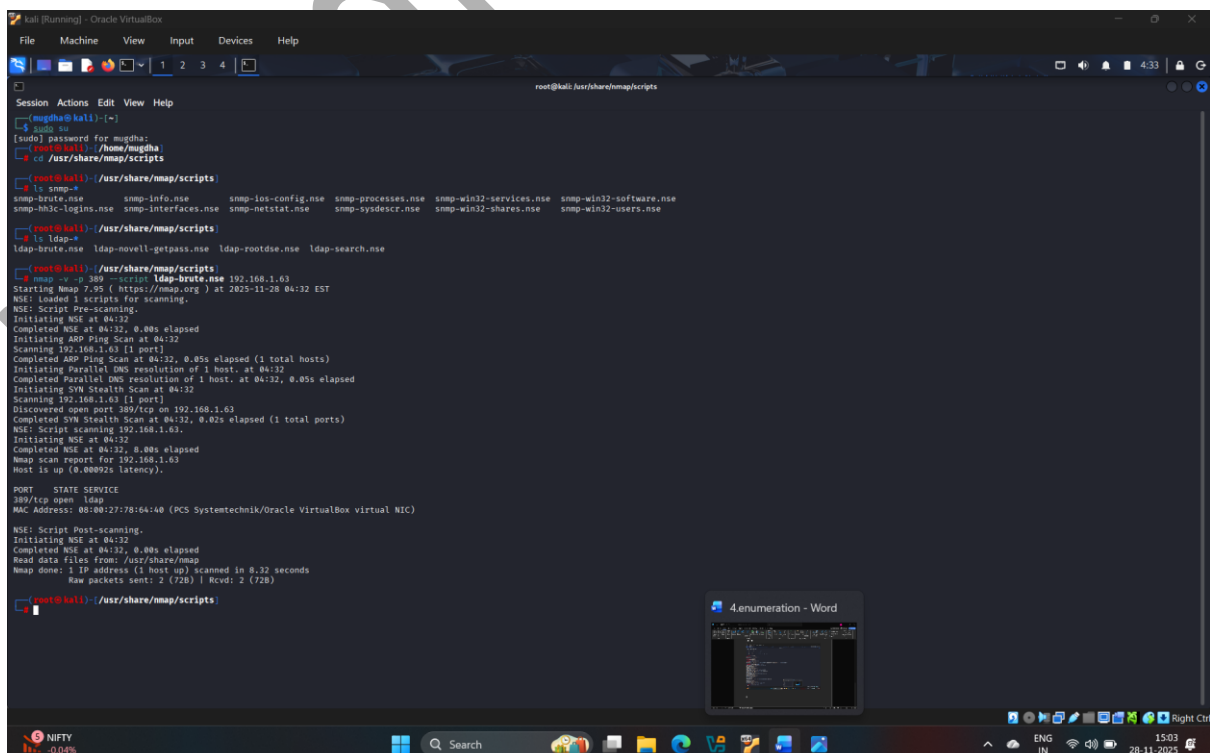
1 . `nmap -p 389 --script ldap-brute 192.168.1.63` ?

2 . `-p 389` → LDAP default port

3 . `--script ldap-brute` → Tries to brute-force LDAP username/password

4 . `192.168.1.63` → Target machine

3 . 389/tcp open ldap **SCRIPT RESULT: no login credentials found** LDAP port is open,Brute-force could not find valid username/password,Target is running LDAP but does not allow anonymous access.



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kali [Running] - Oracle VM VirtualBox
File Machine View Input Devices Help

root@kali: /usr/share/nmap/scripts
Session Actions Edit View Help
[mugsha@kali] ~
$ sudo su
[sudo] password for mugsha:
root@kali: /usr/share/nmap/scripts
$ cd /usr/share/nmap/scripts
root@kali: /usr/share/nmap/scripts
$ ls -la
total 12
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Nov 28 04:32 .
drwxr-xr-x 1 root root 4096 Nov 28 04:32 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 1014 Nov 28 04:32 ldap-brute.nse
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 1014 Nov 28 04:32 ldap-novell-getpass.nse
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 1014 Nov 28 04:32 ldap-rootdse.nse
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 1014 Nov 28 04:32 ldap-search.nse
root@kali: /usr/share/nmap/scripts
$ nmap -p 389 --script ldap-brute.nse 192.168.1.63
Starting Nmap 7.92 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-11-28 04:32 EST
NSE: Loaded 1 scripts for scanning.
NSE: Script Pre-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 04:32
Completed NSE at 04:32, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating ARP Ping Scan at 04:32
Completed ARP Ping Scan at 04:32, 0.05s elapsed (1 total hosts)
Initiating Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host at 04:32
Completed Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host at 04:32, 0.05s elapsed
Initiating SYN Stealth Scan at 04:32
Scanning 192.168.1.63 [1 port]
Discovered open port 389/tcp on 192.168.1.63
Completed SYN Stealth Scan at 04:32, 0.02s elapsed (1 total ports)
NSE: Script scanning 192.168.1.63
Initiating NSE at 04:32
Completed NSE at 04:32, 0.00s elapsed
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.63
Host is up (0.00002s latency).

PORT      STATE SERVICE
389/tcp   open  ldap
MAC Address: 08:00:27:78:64:48 (PCS Systemtechnik/Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)

NSE: Script Post-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 04:32
Completed NSE at 04:32, 0.00s elapsed
Read data files from: /usr/share/nmap
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 8.32 seconds
Raw packets sent: 2 (728) | Rcvd: 2 (728)

root@kali: /usr/share/nmap/scripts
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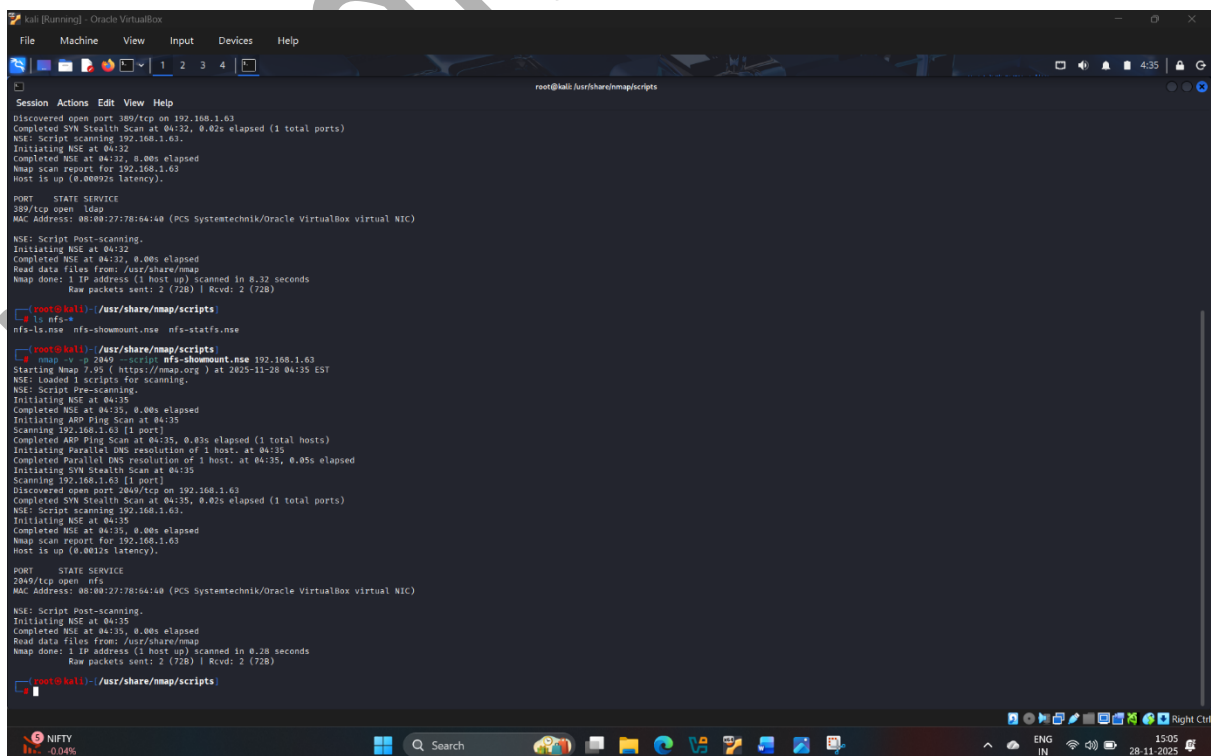


## 4 .NFS :

- 1 . NFS stands for Network File System.
- 2 . It is a protocol used to share files and folders over a network.
- 3 . Developed by Sun Microsystems for Unix/Linux systems.
- 4 . It allows a client computer to access files on a remote server as if they were local files.

### 5 . Steps :

- 1 . ls nfs\* found scripts such as nfs-ls.nse,nfs-showmount.nse,nfs-statfs.nse.These scripts help enumerate NFS shares on a target.
- 2 . nmap -p 2049 --script=nfs-ls 192.168.1.63
  - 1 . -p 2049 → NFS default port
  - 2 . --script=nfs-ls → Lists files on NFS shares (if share is open)
- 3 . 2049/tcp open nfs but the script output shows no file listing, meaning:
  - 1 . The NFS share is empty
  - 2 . The NFS share is not accessible
  - 3 . Exported directory has no read permission



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root@kali: /usr/share/nmap/scripts

Session Actions Edit View Help
Discovered open port 389/tcp on 192.168.1.63
Completed SYN Stealth Scan at 04:32, 0.02s elapsed (1 total ports)
NSE: Script scanning 192.168.1.63.
Initiating NSE at 04:32
Completed NSE at 04:32, 0.00s elapsed
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.63
Host is up (0.0002s latency).

PORT      STATE SERVICE
389/tcp    open  ldap
MAC Address: 08:00:27:78:64:40 (PCS Systemtechnik/Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)

NSE: Script Post-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 04:32
Completed NSE at 04:32, 0.00s elapsed
Read data files from: /usr/share/nmap
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.32 seconds
Raw packets sent: 2 (720) | Rcvd: 2 (720)

root@kali: /usr/share/nmap/scripts
# ls nfs-*
nfs-ls.nse  nfs-showmount.nse  nfs-statfs.nse

root@kali: /usr/share/nmap/scripts
# nmap -p 2049 --script=nfs-showmount.nse 192.168.1.63
Starting Nmap 7.95 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-11-28 04:35 EST
NSE: Loaded 1 scripts for scanning.
NSE: Script Pre-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 04:35
Completed NSE at 04:35, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating ARP Ping Scan at 04:35
Completed ARP Ping Scan at 04:35, 0.03s elapsed (1 total hosts)
Initiating Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host at 04:35
Completed Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host at 04:35, 0.05s elapsed
Initiating SYN Stealth Scan at 04:35
Scanning 192.168.1.63 [1 port]
Discovered open port 2049/tcp on 192.168.1.63
Completed SYN Stealth Scan at 04:35, 0.02s elapsed (1 total ports)
NSE: Script scanning 192.168.1.63.
Initiating NSE at 04:35
Completed NSE at 04:35, 0.00s elapsed
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.63
Host is up (0.0012s latency).

PORT      STATE SERVICE
2049/tcp  open  nfs
MAC Address: 08:00:27:78:64:40 (PCS Systemtechnik/Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)

NSE: Script Post-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 04:35
Completed NSE at 04:35, 0.00s elapsed
Read data files from: /usr/share/nmap
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.28 seconds
Raw packets sent: 2 (720) | Rcvd: 2 (720)

root@kali: /usr/share/nmap/scripts
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## 5 .DNS :

- 1 . DNS enumeration is a process that locates and lists all possible DNS records for a target domain,including usernames
- 2 . as a hacker the next step after NFS enumeration is to prform DNS enumeration.this process yields information such as DNS server names,hostnames,machine names,usernames,ip addresses
- 3 . DNS enumeration techniques are used to obtain information about the DNS servers and network infrastructure of the target organization.

### 4 . Steps :

- 1 . /usr/share/nmap/scripts ⓘ This folder contains all Nmap NSE scripts.

These scripts extend Nmap's functionality (DNS enumeration, brute force, vuln scan, etc.)

- 2 . ls dns-\*.nse This displays all scripts starting with dns-.

- 1 . dns-brute.nse → brute-force DNS subdomains
- 2 . dns-check-zone.nse → validates DNS zone
- 3 . dns-zone-transfer.nse → attempts zone transfer
- 4 . dns-recursion.nse → checks if recursion is allowed
- 5 . dns-service-discovery.nse → finds DNS services
- 6 . dns-nsec-enum.nse → enumerates DNSSEC
- 7 . dns-srv-enum.nse → enumerates SRV records

- 3 . run nmap --script=dns-nsec-enum.nse 192.168.1.63 Nmap tried to do DNSSEC NSEC enumeration.

### 4 . the result is

- 1 . Scanned in 0.29s
- 2 . NSE: Script Post-scanning
- 3 . NSE: dns-nsec-enum.nse did not find any results Target does not support DNSSEC  
OR NSEC records not configured so no data was returned (normal for most networks)

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root@kali: /usr/share/nmap/scripts

Session Actions Edit View Help
NSE: Script scanning 192.168.1.63.
Initiating NSE at 04:39
Completed NSE at 04:39, 0.00s elapsed
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.63
Host is up (0.001% latency).

PORT      STATE SERVICE
2049/tcp  open  nfs
MAC Address: 08:00:27:78:64:48 (PCS Systemtechnik/Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)

NSE: Script Post-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 04:39
Completed NSE at 04:39, 0.00s elapsed
Read data files from: /usr/share/nmap
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.28 seconds
Raw packets sent: 2 (72B) | Rcvd: 2 (72B)

root@kali: /usr/share/nmap/scripts
# ls dns-+
dns-blacklist.nse  dns-cache-snoop.nse  dns-client-subnet-scan.nse  dns-ip6-pps-scan.nse  dns-nsec-enum.nse  dns-random-srport.nse  dns-recursion.nse  dns-srv-enum.nse  dns-zustracker.nse
dns-brute.nse      dns-check-zone.nse    dns-fuzz2.nse              dns-nsec3-enum.nse   dns-msid.nse       dns-random-txid.nse   dns-service-discovery.nse  dns-update.nse     dns-zone-transfer.nse

root@kali: /usr/share/nmap/scripts
# nmap -v -p 53 --script dns-nsec-enum.nse 192.168.1.63
Starting Nmap 7.95 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-11-28 04:39 EST
NSE: Loaded 1 scripts for scanning.
NSE: Script Pre-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 04:39
Completed NSE at 04:39, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating ARP Ping Scan at 04:39
Scanning 192.168.1.63 [1 port]
Completed ARP Ping Scan at 04:39, 0.80s elapsed (1 total hosts)
Initiating Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host. at 04:39
Completed Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host. at 04:39, 0.07s elapsed
Initiating SYN Stealth Scan at 04:39
Scanning 192.168.1.63 [1 port]
Discovered open port 53/tcp on 192.168.1.63
Completed SYN Stealth Scan at 04:39, 0.03s elapsed (1 total ports)
NSE: Script scanning 192.168.1.63.
Initiating NSE at 04:39
Completed NSE at 04:39, 0.00s elapsed
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.63
Host is up (0.00033s latency).

PORT      STATE SERVICE
53/tcp    open  domain
1.dns-nsec-enum: Can't determine domain for host 192.168.1.63; use dns-nsec-enum.domains script arg.
MAC Address: 08:00:27:78:64:48 (PCS Systemtechnik/Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)

NSE: Script Post-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 04:39
Completed NSE at 04:39, 0.00s elapsed
Read data files from: /usr/share/nmap
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.29 seconds
Raw packets sent: 2 (72B) | Rcvd: 2 (72B)

root@kali: /usr/share/nmap/scripts
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## 6 .SMTP :

- 1 . SMTP stands for Simple Mail Transfer Protocol.
- 2 . It is used for sending emails from one server to another.
- 3 . Works at Application Layer of the OSI model.
- 4 . SMTP uses port numbers
  - 1 . Port 25 → Default port (non-encrypted, often blocked by ISPs)
  - 2 . Port 465 → Secure SMTP (SMTPS, with SSL)
  - 3 . Port 587 → Secure mail submission(TLS)
- 5 . as a hacker the next step is to perform SMTP enumeration. SMTP enumeration is performed to obtain a list of valid users, delivery addresses, message recipients on an SMTP server.

### 6 . Steps :

- 1 . `cd /usr/share/nmap/scripts` This folder contains all Nmap NSE scripts. You are specifically looking at SMTP-related scripts.
- 2 . `ls smtp*` This command shows all scripts whose names start with smtp. These scripts are used for SMTP enumeration, testing, and vulnerability scanning.

scripts like:

- 1 `smtp-commands.nse`
- 2 `smtp-enum-users.nse`
- 3 `smtp-open-relay.nse`
- 4 `smtp-strangeport.nse`
- 5 `smtp-vuln-cve2010-4344.nse`
- 6 `smtp-vuln-cve2011-1720.nse`
- 7 `smtp-vuln-cve2011-1764.nse`

### 3 . This script tries to detect:

- 1 SMTP NTLM authentication
- 2 Domain name
- 3 Server OS information

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root@kali: /usr/share/nmap/scripts

Session Actions Edit View Help
Completed SYN Stealth Scan at 04:39, 0.03s elapsed (1 total ports)
NSE: Script scanning 192.168.1.63.
Initiating NSE at 04:39
Completed NSE at 04:39, 0.00s elapsed
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.63
Host is up (0.00033s latency).

PORT      STATE SERVICE
53/tcp    open  domain
| dns-nsec-enum: Can't determine domain for host 192.168.1.63; use dns-nsec-enum_domains script arg.
MAC Address: 08:00:27:78:64:40 (PCS Systemtechnik/Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)

NSE: Script Post-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 04:39
Completed NSE at 04:39, 0.00s elapsed
Read data files from: /usr/share/nmap
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.29 seconds
Raw packets sent: 2 (72B) | Rcvd: 2 (72B)

root@kali) /usr/share/nmap/scripts
# ls smtp*
smtp-brute.nse smtp-commands.nse smtp-enum-users.nse smtp-ntlm-info.nse smtp-open-relay.nse smtp-strangeport.nse smtp-vuln-cve2018-4344.nse smtp-vuln-cve2011-1720.nse smtp-vuln-cve2011-1764.nse

root@kali) /usr/share/nmap/scripts
# nmap -v -p 25 --script smtp-ntlm-info.nse 192.168.1.63
Starting Nmap 7.95 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-11-28 04:42 EST
NSE: Loaded 3 scripts for scanning.
NSE: Script Pre-scanning.
Initiating NSE at 04:42
Completed NSE at 04:42, 0.00s elapsed
Initiating ARP Ping Scan at 04:42
Scanning 192.168.1.63 [1 port]
Completed ARP Ping Scan at 04:42, 0.05s elapsed (1 total hosts)
Initiating Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host at 04:42
Completed Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host at 04:42, 0.28s elapsed
Initiating SYN Stealth Scan at 04:42
Scanning 192.168.1.63 [1 port]
Discovered open port 25/tcp on 192.168.1.63
Completed SYN Stealth Scan at 04:42, 0.02s elapsed (1 total ports)
NSE: Script scanning 192.168.1.63.
Initiating NSE at 04:42
Completed NSE at 04:42, 0.00s elapsed
Read data files from: /usr/share/nmap
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.42 seconds
Raw packets sent: 2 (72B) | Rcvd: 2 (72B)

root@kali) /usr/share/nmap/scripts
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