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Abstract

- Attacks on industrial control systems and critical infrastructure are on the rise.

 Important systems and devices like programmable logic controllers are at risk due to outdated technology and ad-hoc security measures.
- Virtual honeypots mitigate the unreasonable cost of hardware-replicated honeypots,
 these systems often suffer from a lack of authenticity due to proprietary hardware and
 network protocols.
- The result is a software tool which can be readily integrated into existing honeypot frame-works for improved performance finally, of the proposed proxy synchronization algorithms, templock and its minimal variant are found to provide the best overall performance.

Introduction

A honeypot is an information system resource whose value lies in unauthorized or illicit use of that resource.

They are different types of honeypot:

- 1. Production honeypots
- 2. Research honeypots
- 3. Database honeypot
- 4. Client Honeypots
- 5. Malware honeypots
- 6. High-interaction honeypots
- 7. Low-interaction honeypots
- 8. Medium-interaction honeypots

Literature Survey

- Jiang & Xu proposed the idea of catering honeypots architecture called BAIT-TRAP
- It, discussed ways at which virtual honeypots such as Honeyd can be camouflaged by designing a honey-pot that supports link latency in the order of one microsecond (µs) instead of the original one millisecond default, to avoid timing signature profiles that attackers might profile against the honeypot hence launching timing attacks against it
- Chowdhary and wagner uses machine learning technique as an approach for implementing an intelligent mechanism in dynamic honeypot.

Existing System

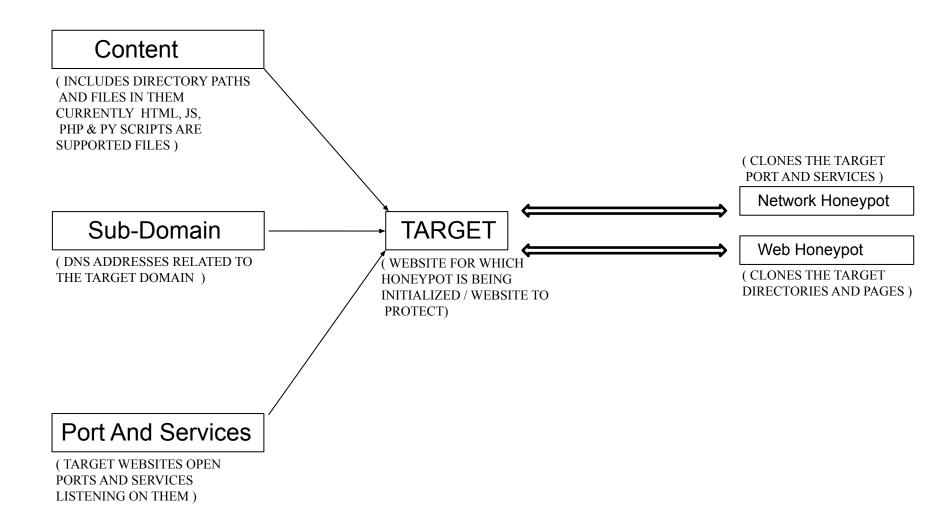
- Wordpot is a Wordpress honeypot which detects probes for plugins, themes, timthumb and other common files used to fingerprint a wordpress installation. It is developed by Gianluca Brindisi in the year 2012. Other then this no other web honeypot is created and this honeypot was also designed for wordpress only websites.
- Ironbee is a network honeypot which can only open one port mentioned by the user, it can't clone the services running on them and can't launch multiple instances which means we won't be able to open multiple ports with this honeypot.

Proposed System

- Our project plan is to combine a web honeypot and network honeypot to make our local host machine's services and address to look exactly like the target website.
- First step will be to enumerate all the target's open ports and services running on them and also enumerate the web directories and files in them(html, php, js).
- We have designed a network honeypot which can open multiple ports according to the enumerated open ports from the target address.
- Npot also has a feature to check if the enumerated pages are valid or not and if they are valid then it will create the same folder structure in local machine and place the files(html, php, js) accordingly.
- For wordpress website we have created a separate program which is forked from wordpot, we have initialize a template generator which records the original valid templates with selenium and then use these templates in our program.
- At last all these activities will be recorded in log files and also the live traffic analysis can be done.

Design Methodology of Proposed Work

- . This is a Linux based honeypot. Python ,ruby and shell scripting is used to develop Npot.
- . The network based honeypot is designed to open the same ports is the local machine as on the target address. Then it also clones the services running on the port.
- . Requests made to these ports are recorded in a separate log file and also displayed in terminal for live analysis.
- . For wordpress related targets we have designed a forked version of wordpot honeypot.
- . Net data is a tool used to monitor the local system's resources.
- . The activities of network based honeypot and web based honeypot will be saved in separate log files and also the live activity will be displayed in separate terminals.
- . A firewall is also use to secure networks.



Resources and Tools

Hardware and Software Requirements:

Hardware

Processor: 2GHz

RAM: 4GB or Above

ROM: 500 MB

Graphics: 2GB

Software

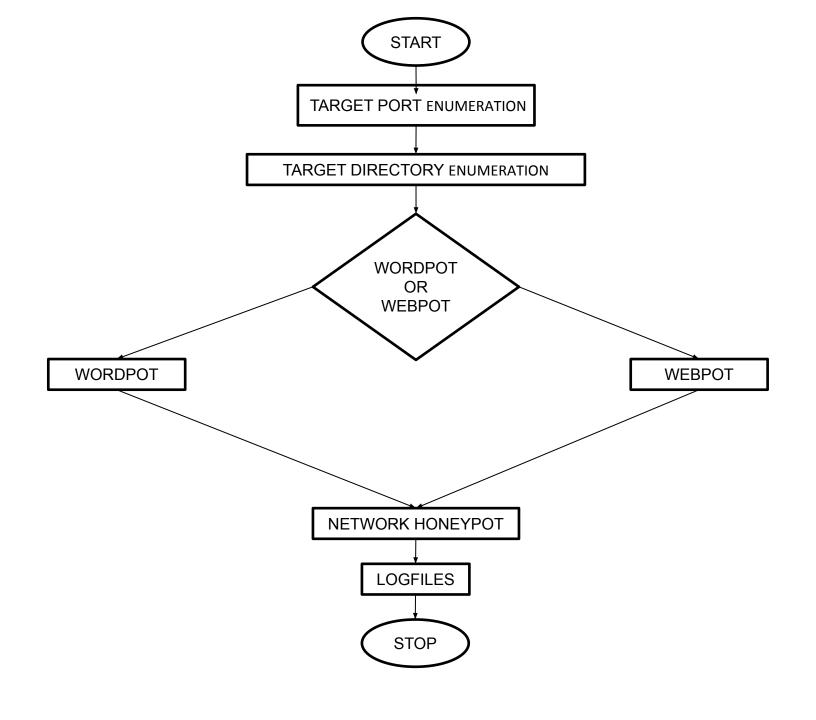
OS Linux/Ubuntu

Language Used Python3, Ruby

Tools Required PIP, Code Editor, Virtual Apache Server, Net Data, Namp, Dirbuster

Terms Used In Flowcharts

- 1. Target port enumeration Nmap is a tool which we will use to enumerate the target port and services listening on them.
- 2. Target Directory enumeration Dirbuster is tool which will be used to list the avail avail directory of the target website.
- 3. Wordpot A forked version of the original Wordpot with some changes for better cloning purposes.
- 4. Webpot A web honeypot which will be used to clone non-wordpress based websites. Working principle for both wordpot and webpot are similar.
- 5. Network honeypot A network based honeypot used for cloning the open ports and the services according to nmap enumeration results.
- 6. Logfile All the possible unknown requests will be stored here.



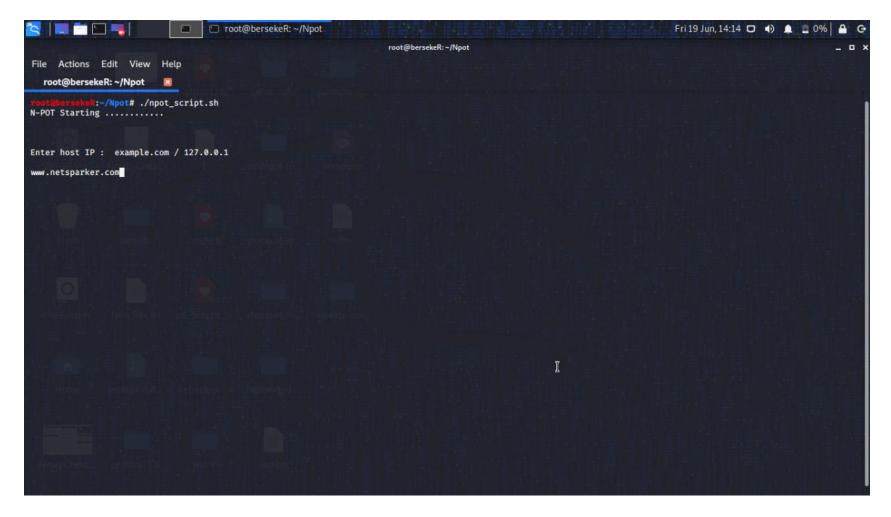
<u>Implementation</u>

- We have used apache web server for the local host machine and as mentioned previously the entire honeypot Npot is divided in two parts network honeypot and web honeypot.
- When the attacker will interact with our honeypot, we have applied VPN blocking or proxy blocking using third party.
- We have implemented Nmap tool to enumerate the target's open ports and the services listening on them.
- Dirbuster tool has been implemented to enumerate the website directory
- For wordpress based websites we have created a separate program which is originally forked from wordpot.
- We will be using sublistr tool to enumerate all the target's DNS record and copying them to the local host DNS record.

<u>Implementation</u>

- Net Data tool will be used to monitor the local machine's resources incase of a DOS attack scenario it will be useful.
- Net Data will be operated on port 5555 by default.
- The live traffic for the webserver of the local machine will be displayed in a terminal for live analysis and with filtering all the known/valid request all other request will be saved in a log file for further analysis and these unknown/invalid request will not be processed as well.
- A firewall will be deployed with modified rules to isolate the local host from the entire network.

Results with snap shots/Test Cases etc.

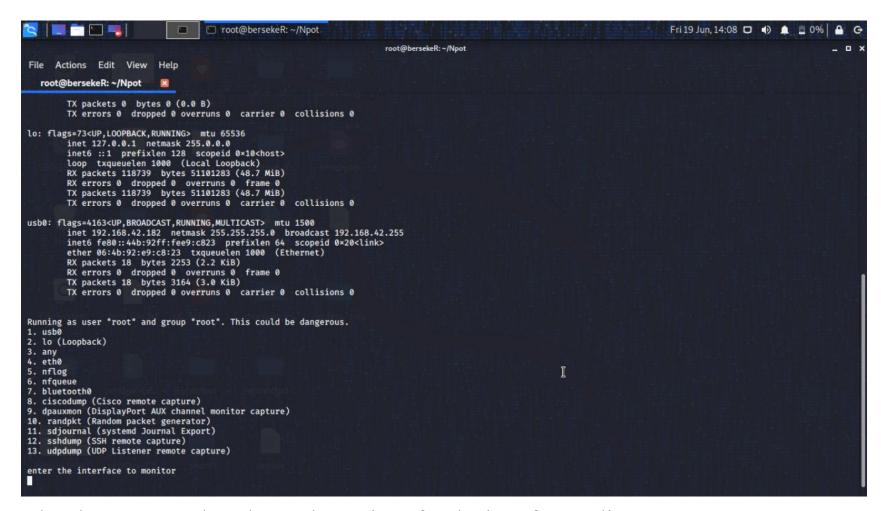


This above screenshot is the starting of the script.

Here we have used <u>www.netsparker.com</u>

For example as a host to initialize the honey-pot.

Results with snap shots/Test Cases etc.

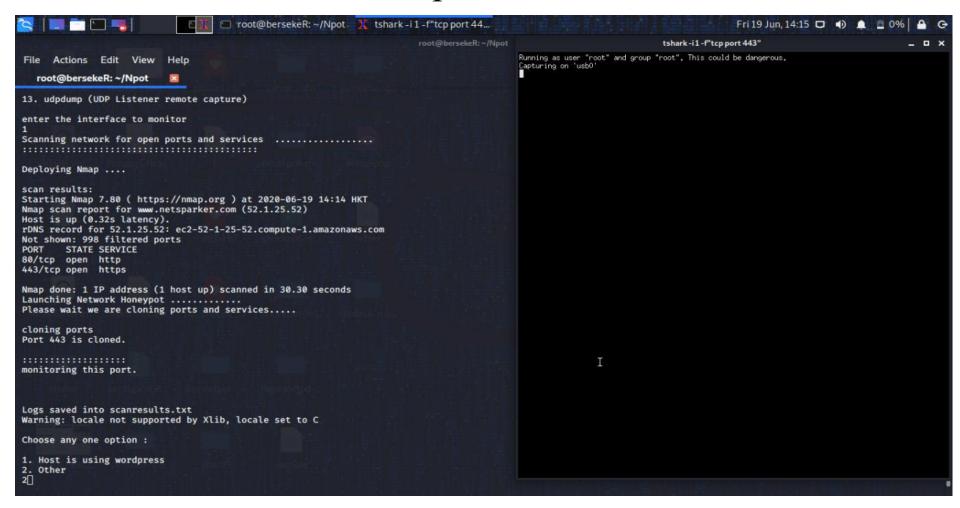


The above screenshot shows the options for the interface to listen on.

Here usb0 is selected as it is connected to internet.

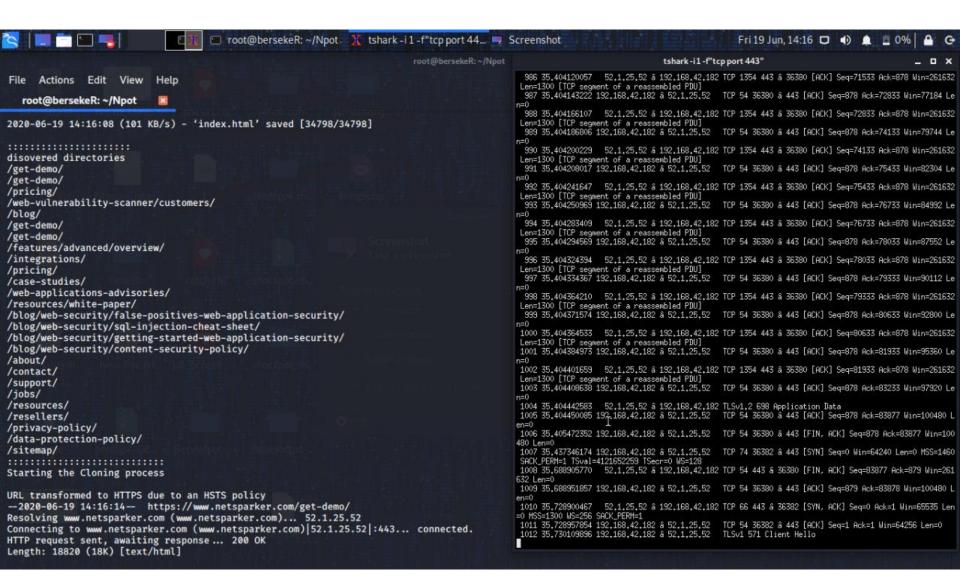
This is important as while listing to the webserver and other ports the interface name is needed

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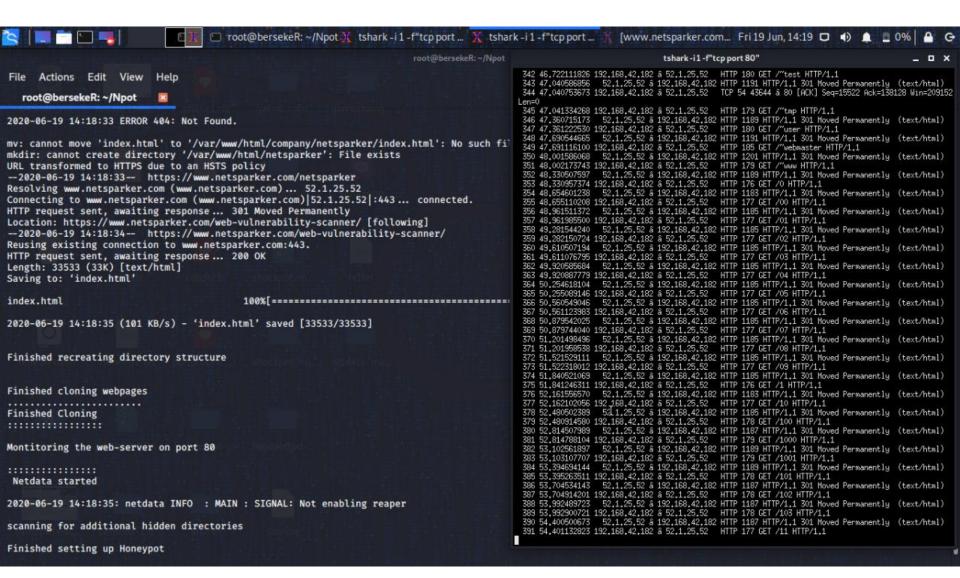


This screenshot shows the result of nmap scan on netsparker.com, below the output of nmap we can se that the ports are cloned

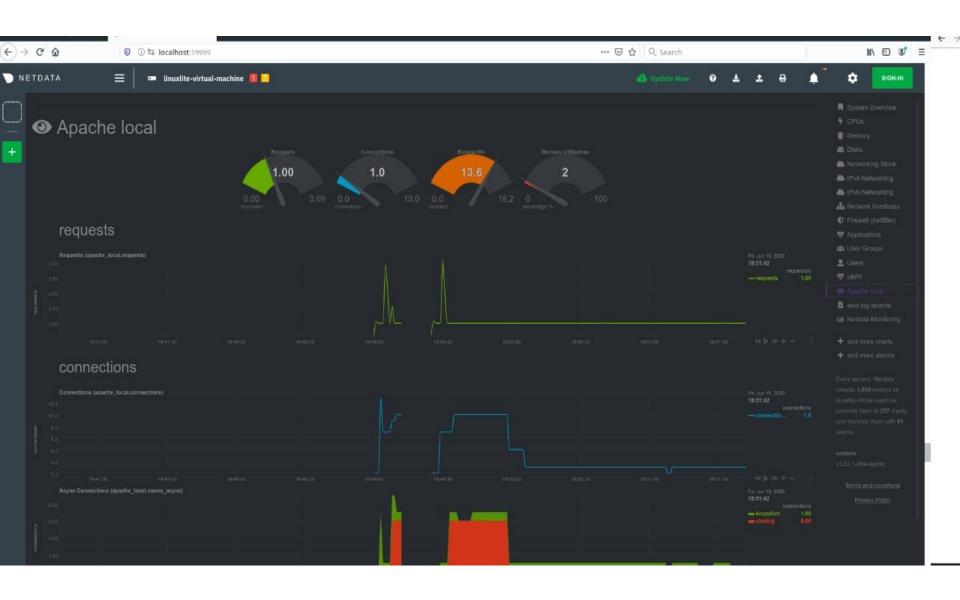
Except port 80, on the right side of the screen we can see the monitoring window for port 443.



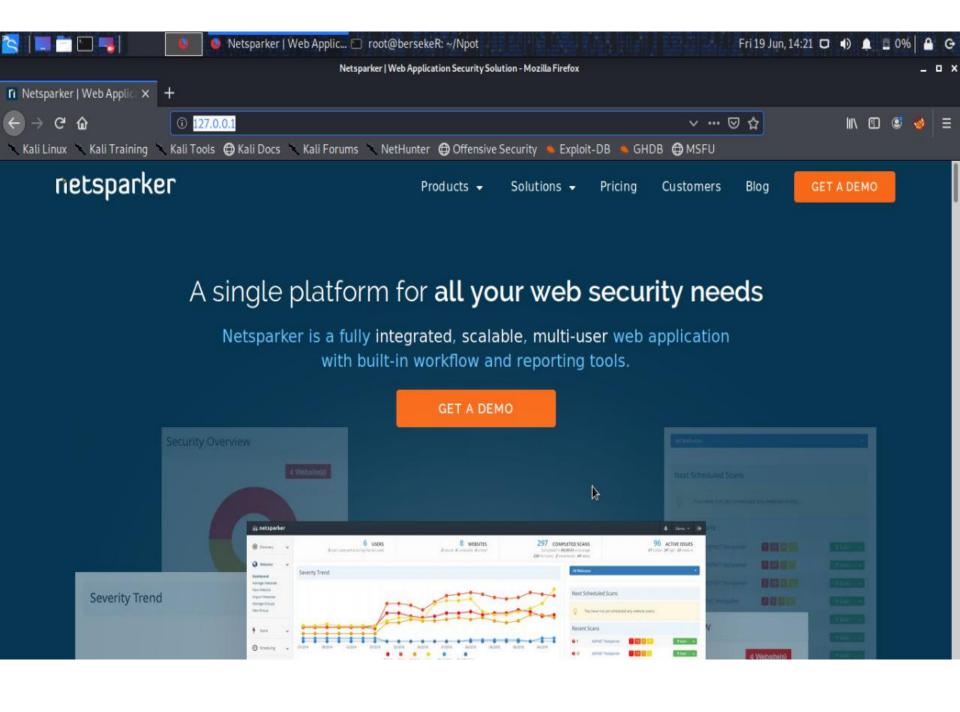
The above screenshot shows that the directories of netsparker.com have been enumerated and cloning process has also started.

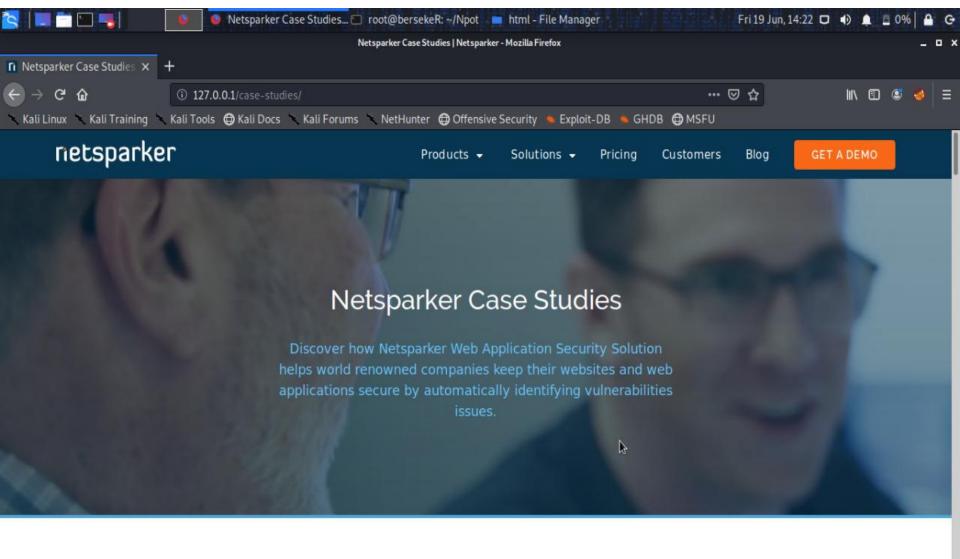


This screenshot shows the cloning process is completed, net data has started and on the right hand side we can see the panel for monitoring on webserver has been spawned as well.



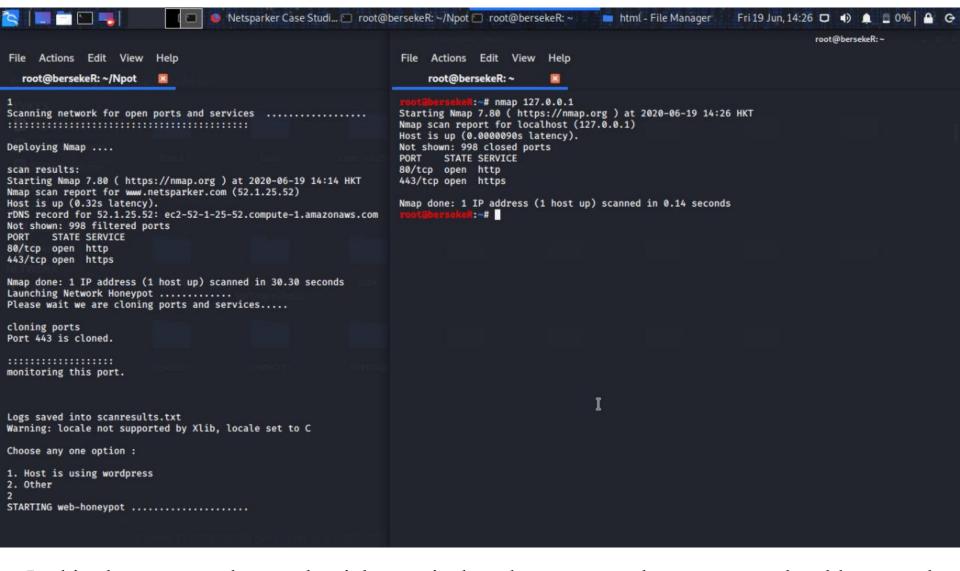
The above screenshot shows net data is working properly on tits assigned port.





How Sycom Uses Netsparker to Automate Their Web Security

The above two screenshot shows that the website is cloned successfully on our local host. If we check the URL bar of these two screenshots, it clearly shows that the web-directories and contents are cloned successfully.



In this above screenshot on the right terminal we have executed nmap on our local host, and on the left side we have nmap

Results for the host address. Comparing both of them we can successfully conclude that our honeypot has not only cloned port

But the services as well.

Conclusion

- In this paper we have proposed a honeypot system for websites. This honeypot mainly focuses on cloning the target as much as possible as by doing this it will confuse the attacker and also works as an excellent bait system.
- To summarize everything Npot is a combination of a network honeypot and web honeypot, network honeypot is used to mimic web services and open ports of the target while the web honeypot is used to mimic the directory structure of the target website and also clones the content avail avail in the target directories.
- Future goal of this project will be to clone more sophisticated web application, build a ML algorithm that can differentiate between false positive and true positive attacks with help of text classification and pattern recognition algorithms, we would also add an additional features of cloning security certificates.
- This project has also been uploaded on github as a contribution towards open source community.