Laboratory Exercise 4-4 – Advanced Enumeration

1. Overview

For this lesson, students will use the Cyber Range: Kali Linux with Metasploitable3 Environment to complete enumeration with DNSmap, Nslookup, Enum4Linux, and DIG.

2. Resources required

This exercise requires the latest Kali Linux with Metasploitable3 Environment running in the Cyber Range.

3. Initial Setup

For this exercise, you will log in to your Cyber Range account and select the Kali Linux with Metasploitable3 Environment, then click "start" to start your environment and "join" to get to your Linux desktop login. Log in using these credentials:

Username: student Password: student

4. Tasks

Task 1: Using DNSmap to Enumerate DNS

DNSmap is a very easy to use tool. The syntax is as follows:

sudo dnsmap <target>

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(student@kali.example.com)-[~]

$ sudo su

(root@kali.example.com)-[/home/student]

# sudo dnsmap 10.1.70.221

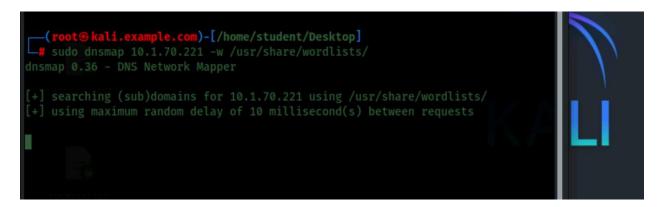
dnsmap 0.36 - DNS Network Mapper

[+] searching (sub)domains for 10.1.70.221 using built-in wordlist
[+] using maximum random delay of 10 millisecond(s) between requests

[+] 0 (sub)domains and 0 IP address(es) found
[+] completion time: 29 second(s)
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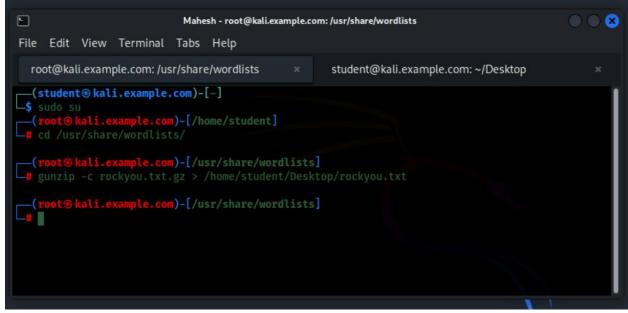
To brute force the DNS, use the following syntax:

sudo dnsmap <target> -w <path files>



For this task, we will attempt to enumerate our target2.example.com site. We will not be using a wordlist as this is out of scope; however, the rockyou.txt is a wordlist that can be used for a task like this. The wordlist is found at /usr/share/wordlists/. You will need to navigate to that directory and be root to see and extract the tar file. I have provided the syntax below for those who do not remember from previous courses. This will place the rockyou.txt on the student desktop.

• gunzip -c rockyou.txt.gz > /home/student/Desktop/rockyou.txt



Oftentimes, creating a custom wordlist is a probable solution as well. Keep in mind, that brute forcing a DNS can take days or even weeks.

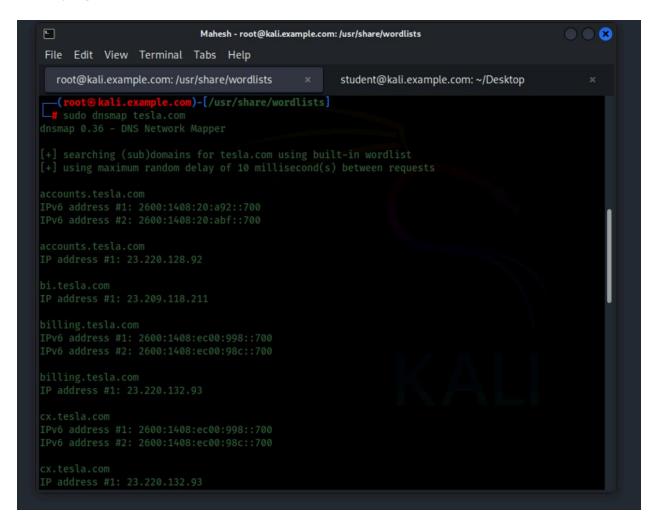
Reminder** Do NOT scan domains that you do not have permission to scan.

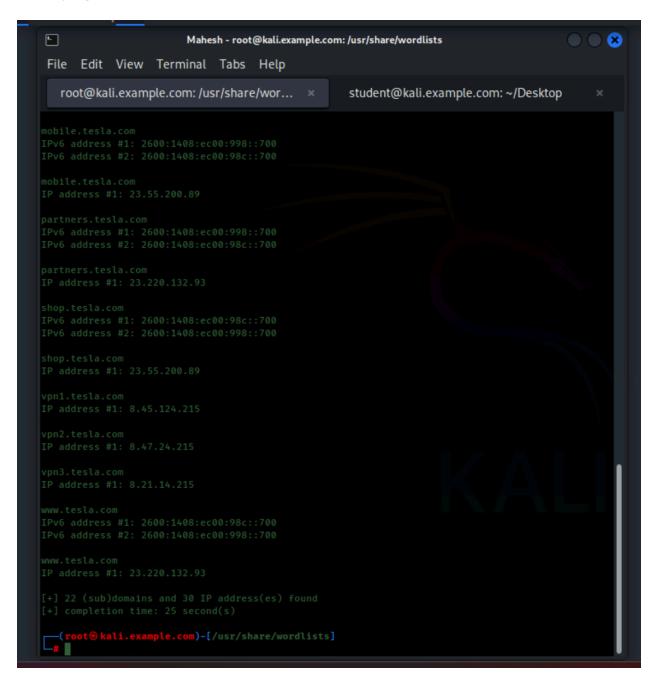
Complete the following:

 Scan tesla.com with DNSmap. Try both examples described above. Tesla has an open bug bounty program and allows scanning. The rockyou.txt file can be used. The program can be viewed at https://bugcrowd.com/teslav. The DNS brute force attempt with the rockyou.txt will take a long time. If there are no results in a reasonable amount of time, cancel the scan with CTRL+C.

Type **sudo dnsmap <target>** where <target> is tesla.com. See the image below.

```
)-[/usr/share/wordlists]
   sudo dnsmap tesla.com
dnsmap 0.36 - DNS Network Mapper
[+] searching (sub)domains for tesla.com using built-in wordlist
[+] using maximum random delay of 10 millisecond(s) between requests
accounts.tesla.com
IPv6 address #1: 2600:1408:ec00:282::700
IPv6 address #2: 2600:1408:ec00:283::700
accounts.tesla.com
IP address #1: 23.56.8.49
bi.tesla.com
IP address #1: 23.209.118.211
billing.tesla.com
IPv6 address #1: 2600:1408:ec00:981::700
billing.tesla.com
IP address #1: 23.39.184.66
cx.tesla.com
```





Now, type sudo dnsmap tesla.com -w /home/student/Desktop/rockyou.txt and hit enter. BE PATIENT: This will take some time. You can CTRL+C after some time; the main point is to see what kind of information this command will provide you as the pentester. See the image below.

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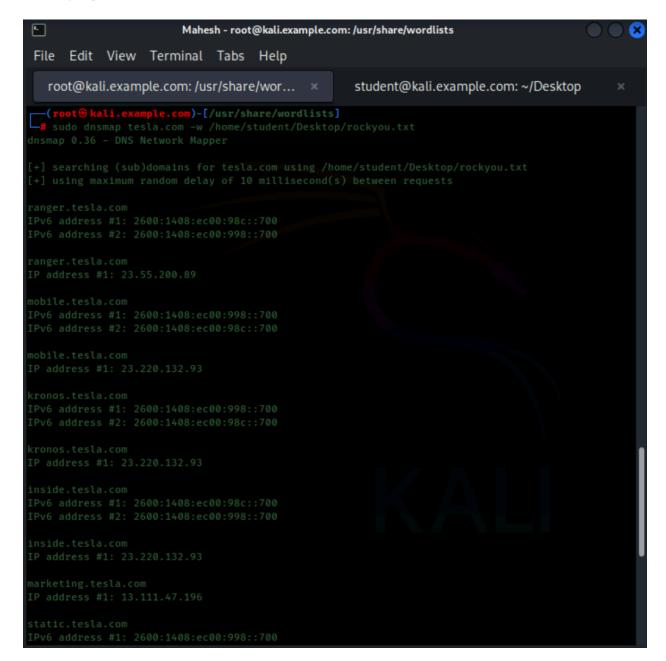
```
(root@kali.example.com)-[/usr/share/wordlists]
# sudo dnsmap tesla.com -w /home/student/Desktop/rockyou.txt
dnsmap 0.36 - DNS Network Mapper

[+] searching (sub)domains for tesla.com using /home/student/Desktop/rockyou.txt
[+] using maximum random delay of 10 millisecond(s) between requests

ranger.tesla.com
IPv6 address #1: 2600:1408:ec00:98c::700
IPv6 address #2: 2600:1408:ec00:981::700

ranger.tesla.com
IP address #1: 23.196.32.132

mobile.tesla.com
IPv6 address #2: 2600:1408:ec00:981::700
IPv6 address #2: 2600:1408:ec00:98c::700
mobile.tesla.com
IP address #1: 23.39.184.66
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static.tesla.com
IP address #1: 23.45.148.67

profile.tesla.com
IPv6 address #1: 2600:1408:ec00:998::700
IPv6 address #2: 2600:1408:ec00:98c::700

profile.tesla.com
IP address #1: 23.55.200.89

service.tesla.com
IPv6 address #1: 2600:1408:ec00:998::700
IPv6 address #2: 2600:1408:ec00:98c::700

service.tesla.com
IP address #1: 23.220.132.93

track.tesla.com
IPv6 address #1: 2600:1408:ec00:998::700
IPv6 address #1: 2600:1408:ec00:98c::700

track.tesla.com
IPv6 address #1: 23.220.132.93

hawkeye.tesla.com
IP address #1: 23.220.132.93

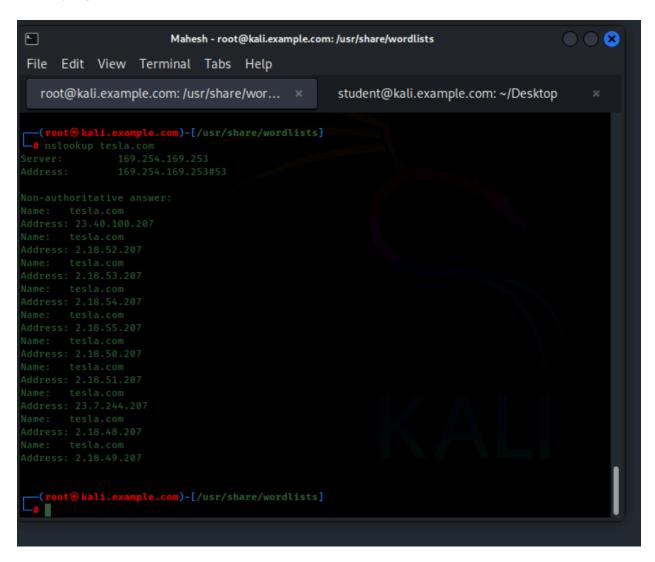
hawkeye.tesla.com
IP address #1: 199.43.255.25
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Task 2: Using Nslookup to perform DNS enumeration

Query tesla.com Domain Name Server (DNS) with the following command:

nslookup tesla.com

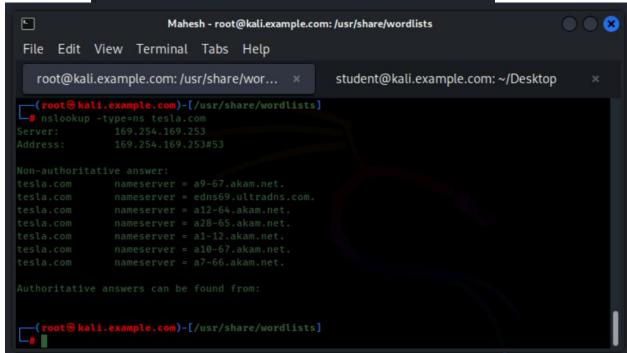




Query for name server records with the following command:

nslookup -type=ns tesla.com

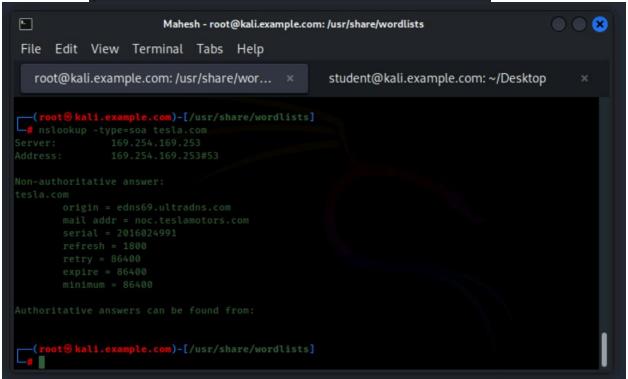
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ali.example.com)-[/usr/share/wordlists]
    nslookup -type=ns tesla.com
Server:
                169.254.169.253
Address:
                 169.254.169.253#53
Non-authoritative answer:
tesla.com
                nameserver = a10-67.akam.net.
tesla.com nameserver = a9-67.akam.net.
tesla.com nameserver = a12-64.akam.net.
tesla.com
              nameserver = edns69.ultradns.com.
                nameserver = a1-12.akam.net.
tesla.com
                nameserver = a28-65.akam.net.
tesla.com
tesla.com
                nameserver = a7-66.akam.net.
Authoritative answers can be found from:
```



Query for start of authority (SOA) records with the following command:

nslookup -type=soa tesla.com

```
n)-[/usr/share/wordlists]
    nslookup -type=soa tesla.com
Server:
                169.254.169.253
Address:
                169.254.169.253#53
Non-authoritative answer:
tesla.com
        origin = edns69.ultradns.com
        mail addr = noc.teslamotors.com
        serial = 2016024844
        refresh = 1800
        retry = 86400
        expire = 86400
        minimum = 86400
Authoritative answers can be found from:
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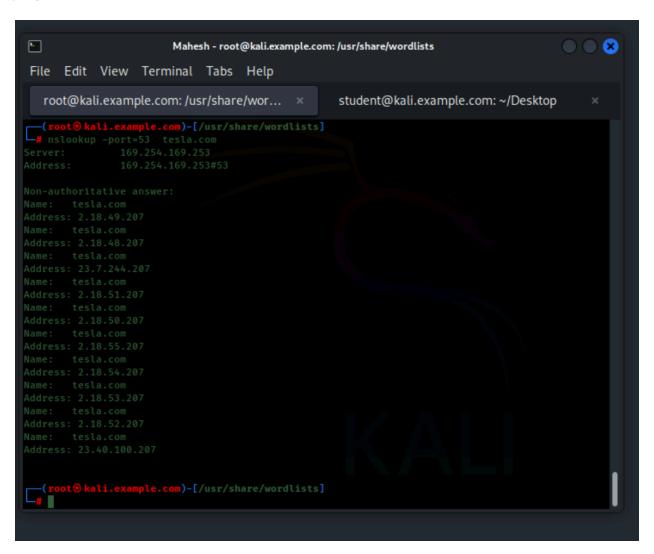
Query for specific ports with the following command:

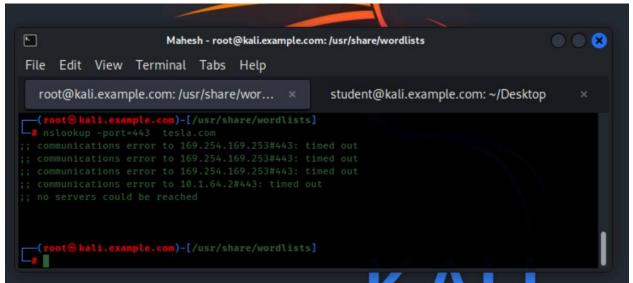
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nslookup -port=<port number> tesla.com
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Port 53 is the Nslookup default. Try a few of the common port numbers before moving on. See the image below.

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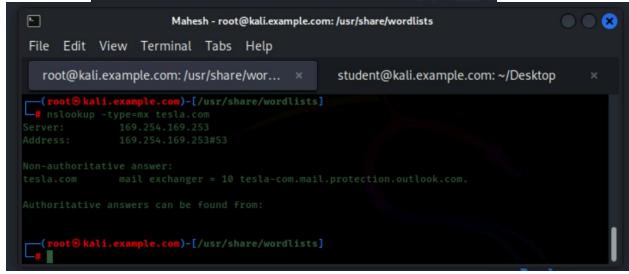
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m)-[/usr/share/wordlists
    nslookup -port=53 tesla.com
Server:
                169.254.169.253
Address:
                169.254.169.253#53
Non-authoritative answer:
Name: tesla.com
Address: 2.18.53.207
Name: tesla.com
Address: 2.18.54.207
Name: tesla.com
Address: 2.18.55.207
Name: tesla.com
Address: 2.18.50.207
Name: tesla.com
Address: 2.18.51.207
Name: tesla com
                     com)-[/usr/share/wordlists]
# nslookup -port=443 tesla.com
;; communications error to 169.254.169.253#443: timed out
;; communications error to 169.254.169.253#443: timed out
;; communications error to 169.254.169.253#443: timed out
;; communications error to 10.1.128.2#443: timed out
;; no servers could be reached
```





Query for the mail exchanger with the following command:

nslookup -type=mx tesla.com



This information provides the attacker with the domain to the email server. Tesla is using mimecast. This is an email security management system for Microsoft Exchange. So we now know that Tesla is using Microsoft O365 and Outlook. Crafting exploits will be completed with details of this information. Especially, when it comes to HTML email design.

Task 3: Enum4Linux enumeration

As shown in the PowerPoint Presentation, enum4linux is another easy-to-use enumeration tool. As a penetration tester and ethical hacker you will test systems with many tools and report what was discovered to the organization. Scans that are attempted and do not succeed are not always reported. This depends on the organization's expectations. It is important to have clear expectations before completing a job. A full options list for enum4linux can be found by using the command enum4linux and pressing enter. Many tools in Kali will provide you with help using this tactic; however, you can also type enum4linux -h or visit this link.

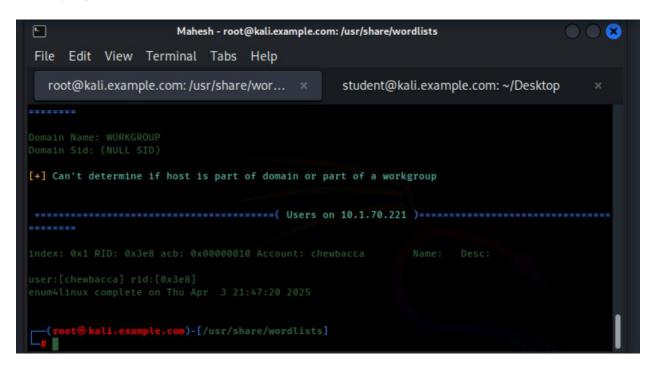
Type the following at the command prompt and then hit enter:

enum4linux -U <Metasploitable IP>

This command will discover the users on the server. See below.

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| Control boli.example.com | [/wsr/share/wordlists] | Control boli.example.com | [/wsr/share/wordlists] | Control boli.example.com | Control boli.example.co
```

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Mahesh - root@kali.example.com: /usr/share/wordlists
File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help
 root@kali.example.com: /usr/share/wor... ×
                                student@kali.example.com: ~/Desktop
-----( Target Information )-----------------
======== ( Enumerating Workgroup/Domain on 10.1.70.221 )========================
[E] Can't find workgroup/domain
[+] Server 10.1.70.221 allows sessions using username '', password ''
[+] Can't determine if host is part of domain or part of a workgroup
-----( Users on 10.1.70.221 )------
```



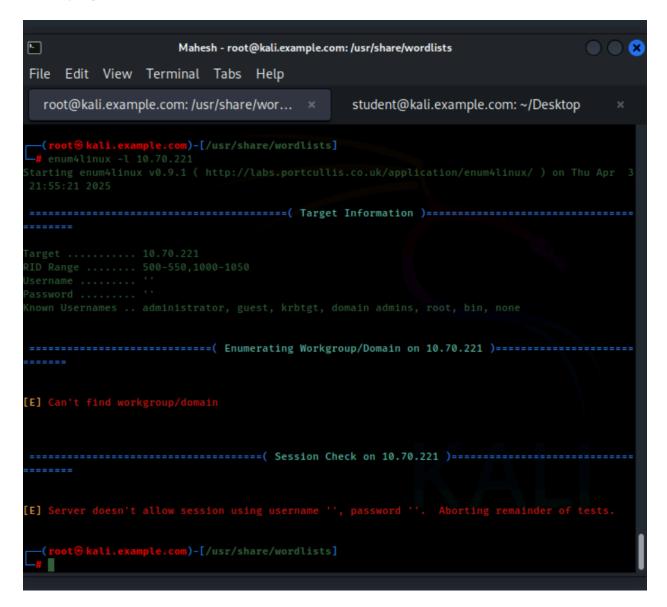
Type enum4linux -S <Metasploitable IP> at the command prompt and then hit enter. This command will discover shares. See below.

```
-[/usr/share/wordlists]
 m enum4linux -S 10.1.130.245
Starting enum4linux v0.9.1 ( http://labs.portcullis.co.uk/application/enum4linux
/ ) on Thu Jun 27 20:32:09 2024
   -----( Target Information )-----
Target ..... 10.1.130.245
RID Range ...... 300-550,1000-1050
Username ......
Password ......
Known Usernames .. administrator, guest, krbtgt, domain admins, root, bin, none
 -----( Enumerating Workgroup/Domain on 10.1.130.245 )---
    ----- ( Session Check on 10.1.130.245 )------
[+] Server 10.1.130.245 allows sessions using username '', password ''
        ----- ( Getting domain SID for 10.1.130.245 )------
Domain Name: WORKGROUP
Domain Sid: (NULL SID)
[+] Can't determine if host is part of domain or part of a workgroup
      -----( Share Enumeration on 10.1.130.245 )------
do_connect: Connection to 10.1.130.245 failed (Error NT_STATUS_IO_TIMEOUT)
         Sharename
                                   Connent
                          Type
print$ Disk Printer Drivers
public Disk WWW
IPC$ IPC IPC Service (target server (Samba, Ubuntu))
Reconnecting with SMB1 for workgroup listing.
Unable to connect with SMB1 -- no workgroup available
[+] Attempting to map shares on 10.1.130.245
//10.1.130.245/print$ Mapping: DENIED Listing: N/A Writing: N/A //10.1.130.245/public Mapping: DENIED Listing: N/A Writing: N/A
NT_STATUS_OBJECT_NAME_NOT_FOUND listing \+
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Mahesh - root@kali.example.com: /usr/share/wordlists
File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help
 root@kali.example.com: /usr/share/wor... × student@kali.example.com: ~/Desktop
-----( Target Information )------
[E] Can't find workgroup/domain
====== ( Session Check on 10.1.70.221 )=========
[+] Server 10.1.70.221 allows sessions using username '', password ''
[+] Can't determine if host is part of domain or part of a workgroup
======= ( Share Enumeration on 10.1.70.221 )=================
```

Type enum4linux -1 <Metasploitable IP> at the command prompt and then hit enter. This command will discover information using LDAP port 389. See below.

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| Cannot Nation | Description | Cannot Nation | Cannot Nation
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Task 4: Using Dig to lookup DNS records

Lookup A records with the following command:

dig tesla.com +short

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(root@kali.example.com)-[/usr/share/wordlists]
# dig tesla.com +short

2.18.54.207

2.18.50.207

2.18.52.207

2.18.48.207

2.18.51.207

23.7.244.207

23.40.100.207

2.18.55.207

2.18.49.207

2.18.53.207
```

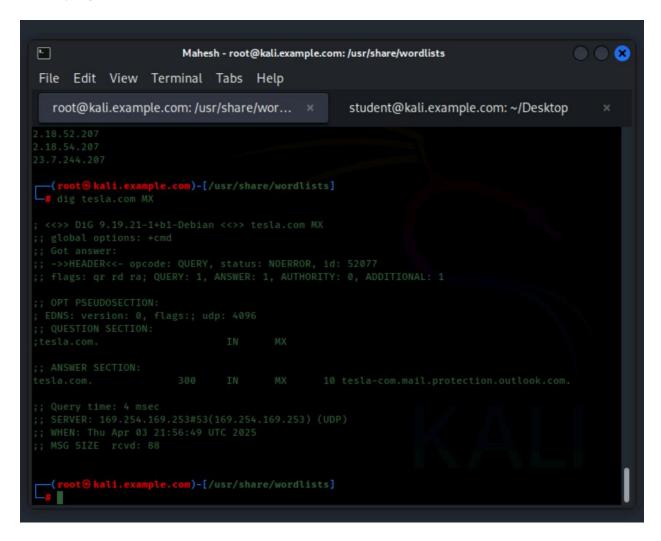
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(root⊗ kali.example.com)-[/usr/share/wordlists]

# dig tesla.com +short
23.40.100.207
2.18.50.207
2.18.55.207
2.18.49.207
2.18.49.207
2.18.51.207
2.18.53.207
2.18.52.207
2.18.54.207
2.18.54.207
2.3.7.244.207
```

Lookup MX records with the following command:

dig tesla.com MX

```
)-[/usr/share/wordlists]
   dig tesla.com MX
; <<>> DiG 9.19.21-1+b1-Debian <<>> tesla.com MX
;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 19451
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1
;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;tesla.com.
                                IN
                                        MX
;; ANSWER SECTION:
tesla.com.
                       300
                                IN
                                        MX
                                               10 tesla-com.mail.protect
ion.outlook.com.
;; Query time: 0 msec
;; SERVER: 169.254.169.253#53(169.254.169.253) (UDP)
;; WHEN: Thu Jun 27 20:42:18 UTC 2024
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 88
```



Lookup SOA record with the following command:

dig tesla.com SOA

```
(root@kali.example.com)-[/usr/share/wordlists]

# dig tesla.com SOA

; <>> DiG 9.19.21-1+b1-Debian <<>> tesla.com SOA

;; global options: +cmd
;; Got answer:
;; ->>HEADER</- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 9142
;; flags: qr rd ra; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 1, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1

;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDMS: version: 0, flags:; udp: 4096
;; QUESTION SECTION:
;tesla.com. IN SOA

;; ANSWER SECTION:
tesla.com. 39860 IN SOA edns69.ultradns.com. noc.teslamotors.com. 2016024

991 1800 86400 86400 86400

;; Query time: 20 msec
;; SERVER: 169.254.169.253#53(169.254.169.253) (UDP)
;; WHEN: Thu Apr 03 21:58:01 UTC 2025
;; MSG SIZE rcvd: 106
```

Lookup TTL record with the following command:

dig tesla.com TTL

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File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help
  root@kali.example.com: /usr/share/wor... ×
                                               student@kali.example.com: ~/Desktop
```

Lookup all DNS Records with the following command:

dig tesla.com ANY +noall +answer

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      (root⊕ kali.example.com)-[/usr/share/wordlists]

      # dig tesla.com
      ANY +noall +answer

      tesla.com
      221
      IN
      MX
      10 tesla-com.mail.protection.outlook.com.

      tesla.com
      221
      IN
      NS
      edns69.ultradns.com.

      tesla.com
      221
      IN
      NS
      a10-67.akam.net.

      tesla.com
      221
      IN
      NS
      a9-67.akam.net.

      tesla.com
      221
      IN
      NS
      a1-12.akam.net.

      tesla.com
      221
      IN
      NS
      a28-65.akam.net.

      tesla.com
      221
      IN
      NS
      a12-64.akam.net.

      tesla.com
      221
      IN
      NS
      a12-64.akam.net.
```

Task 5: Using Dig to complete a DNS zone transfer

This particular task, a zone transfer, **cannot be completed on the Cyber Range**; however, it is important to know and understand how to complete this task in a penetration test.

A zone transfer will provide an attacker with a clear understanding of the internal network.

The site https://digi.ninja/projects/zonetransferme.php is a testing site you can use for this task. First, we will need to know the name of the server. To find this information, we can use the host command. The host command is used to perform DNS lookups. We are using the -t option to specifically perform an nslookup.

host -t ns zonetransfer.me

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(root@ kali.example.com)-[/usr/share/wordlists]
# host -t ns zonetransfer.me
zonetransfer.me name server nsztm2.digi.ninja.
zonetransfer.me name server nsztm1.digi.ninja.
```

```
root⊕ kali.example.com)-[/usr/share/wordlists]

# host -t ns zonetransfer.me
zonetransfer.me name server nsztm1.digi.ninja.
zonetransfer.me name server nsztm2.digi.ninja.
```

As you can see there are two servers. To complete a zone transfer, we need to use the -l options. Type the following and press enter:

• host -l zonetransfer.me nsztml.digi.ninja

Results from Cyber Range VM:

```
(root@kali.example.com)-[/usr/share/nmap/scripts]
# host -l zonetransfer.me nsztm1.digi.ninja
;; Connection to 81.4.108.41#53(81.4.108.41) for zonetransfer.me failed: timed o
ut.
;; no servers could be reached
;; Connection to 81.4.108.41#53(81.4.108.41) for zonetransfer.me failed: timed o
ut.
;; no servers could be reached
```

```
(root⊕ kali.example.com)-[/usr/share/wordlists]

# host -l zonetransfer.me nsztm1.digi.ninja

;; Connection to 81.4.108.41#53(81.4.108.41) for zonetransfer.me failed: timed out.

;; no servers could be reached

;; Connection to 81.4.108.41#53(81.4.108.41) for zonetransfer.me failed: timed out.

;; no servers could be reached
```

Results from a Kali Linux VM OUTSIDE of the Cyber Range:

```
root@kali:~# host -l zonetransfer.me nsztml.digi.ninja
Using domain server:
Name: nsztml.digi.ninja
Address: 81.4.108.41#53
Aliases:

zonetransfer.me has address 5.196.105.14
zonetransfer.me name server nsztml.digi.ninja.
zonetransfer.me name server nsztml.digi.ninja.
14.105.196.5.IN-ADDR.ARPA.zonetransfer.me domain name pointer www.zonetransfer.me.
asfdbbox.zonetransfer.me has address 127.0.0.1
canberra-office.zonetransfer.me has address 202.14.81.230
dc-office.zonetransfer.me has address 143.228.181.132
deadbeef.zonetransfer.me has address 43.228.181.132
deadbeef.zonetransfer.me has address 74.125.206.26
home.zonetransfer.me has address 77.0.0.1
internal.zonetransfer.me name server intnsl.zonetransfer.me.
internal.zonetransfer.me name server intns2.zonetransfer.me.
intns1.zonetransfer.me has address 81.4.108.41
intns2.zonetransfer.me has address 4.23.39.254
ipv6actnow.org.zonetransfer.me has address 4.23.39.254
ipv6actnow.org.zonetransfer.me has address 207.46.197.32
altlcpportsopen.firewall.test.zonetransfer.me has address 127.0.0.1
vpn.zonetransfer.me has address 5.196.105.14
www.zonetransfer.me has address 5.196.105.14
```

There you have it, the internal network setup, and the server IP addresses (screenshot below). An attacker can use this information for further scanning, thus increasing the attack surface. This can also help the attacker know what systems to attack from both the outside and the inside if exploited.

Using the Dig tool to complete a zone transfer can reveal data including operating systems, and even notes to the administrators. As shown above, we need to complete a nslookup beforehand to obtain the server name. The syntax for the zone transfer is below.

dig axfr zonetransfer.me @nsztm1.digi.nija