PROJECT REPORT TITLE :

HONEYPOT SERVER TO DETECT ATTACT PATTERNS

Cyber Security Mini Project

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18 Introduction

A Honeypot is a security mechanism that simulates vulnerable services to lure attaker and study their behavior.

The goal is to collect intelligence on attack patterns without compromising real system. Goal of high-interaction honeypot is to gain root—or administrator level— access to the server and then monitor the attacker'S activity.

2 Objective

Simulate fake SSH/FTP services

Log attacker attempt and commands

Analays repeated intrusion patterns

No Block threats using fail2ban

Visualize attacker IP geolocation

Tools & Technologies Used



🐍 Python

Cowrie

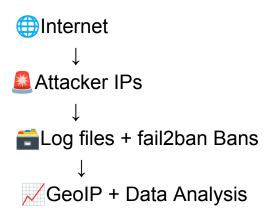
Sfail2ban

MaxMind GeoIIP

Purpose

Scripting & automation
SSH/FTP honeypot emulation
Auto IP blocking
IP Geolocation

4★ System Architecture



5 Implementation Steps

A) Poploy Honeypot on VM

- Installed Ubuntu on VirtualBox
- Set up Cowrie or custom python SSH server
- Enabled ports (22/21) for emulated services

B) 📩 Log Connection

- IP Address
- —♦Username tried
- __ Command attempted

C) Analyze Log Files

- Parsed logs with python script
- Detected brute-force patterns
- Counted top attacking IPs

D) N Block with fail2ban

- fail2ban setup to read logs
- Regex filters for Cowrie
- Auto ban via iptables

E) **OVISUALIZE IP Geolocation**

- Used GeoIP2 with IP logs
- created maps with folium

6 Sample Logs & Analysis

Top 5 Attacking IPs:

⊕IP Address	Attempts
102.22.34.55	48
185.234.123.10	33
182.75.65.20	25
196.52.20.18	19
203.0.113.77	17

7 IP Geolocation Map

- Using folium, attacker IPs were plotted
- Yellow = Medium
- Green = Low

- 🐮 Cowrie: https://github.com/cowrie/cowrie
- i fail2ban: https://www.fail2ban.org
- NaxMind: https://www.maxmind.com
- Python Docs: https://docs.python.org