

Project Report

Implementing SSH HoneyPot to Study Potential Attackers for Network Security

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Introduction to the SSH Honeypot

A security tool known as an SSH honeypot is made to identify, thwart, or investigate efforts to obtain unauthorized access to information systems via the Secure Shell (SSH) protocol. Secure SSH access is essential to preventing unwanted access and potential security breaches since SSH is frequently used for secure remote system administration. It makes it possible to examine malevolent behavior in a regulated setting. Our goal is to construct a realistic SSH honeypot that will draw in potential attackers and allow us to examine their techniques.

The question arises why we have chosen to build SSH Honeypot

The major reason is to build that it identifies and monitor potential threats and attack patterns. After the whole analysis it comes to an end that after doping so, we can study the behavior of the attackers and will be able to understand the emerging threats.

The SSH Honeypot can benefits in many ways and some of them are:

1. **Detection of Attackers:** SSH honeypots are used to detect and draw in malevolent parties looking to enter a system without authorization. The honeypot attracts attackers by mimicking a weak or alluring SSH server, which enables security experts to research their strategies.
2. **Able to understand the Attack Patterns:** SSH honeypots assist security professionals in examining the methods and approaches used by attackers. This knowledge is useful for creating stronger defenses and enhancing security protocols.
3. **Policy Enforcement:** SSH honeypots detect and stop unwanted access attempts, which can assist enterprises in enforcing security standards. This is especially crucial for businesses with stringent access control procedures in place.
4. **Legal and Ethical Research:** SSH honeypots can be used by organizations and security researchers for morally and legally sound research. Staying ahead of developing threats requires an understanding of hostile actors' methods.

Talking about what are the functionalities of SSH Honeypot

The functionalities of the SSH Honeypot are divided into two sub categories:

SSH Honeypot Script

1. Emulates an SSH server to attract potential attackers.

When an SSH honeypot "emulates an SSH server to attract potential attackers," it means that the honeypot is designed to mimic the behaviour of a legitimate SSH server to entice and interact with individuals or automated tools attempting to gain unauthorized access.

2. Monitors and logs commands sent by attackers.

It indicates that its purpose is to record and intercept any activities made by possible bad actors who try to access the system without authorization by using the SSH protocol.

3. Detects predefined honeytokens to identify malicious activity.

It is intended to deceive adversaries into interacting with purposefully inserted false information. After then, the honeypot examines these exchanges to spot and report any possibly dangerous activities. By taking a proactive stance, security experts can better recognize and counter possible security threats by gaining insight into the strategies and techniques used by attackers.

Flask Web Interface

1. Establishes communication with the honeypot script.

The purpose of the Flask web interface is to communicate with the honeypot script. Through this communication, the web interface can instruct the honeypot script to change its settings or transmit commands, as well as receive updates or information from the script.

2. Allows users to interact with the honeypot through simulated connections.

The Flask web interface enables users, such as security professionals or system administrators, to interact with the SSH honeypot. This interaction may include tasks such as monitoring the activity within the honeypot, viewing logs, analyzing attempted connections, and adjusting configuration settings. The term "simulated connections" describes the construction of fictitious or dummy exchanges that imitate genuine SSH connections. These simulated connections are intended to mimic the actions of authentic users or possible attackers trying to gain access to the system within the framework of an SSH honeypot.

3. Provides a user-friendly interface for monitoring real-time logs.

The Flask web interface provides a visually intuitive platform for monitoring real-time logs, which improves the usefulness of the SSH honeypot. This enhances the

effectiveness and ease of use for security experts who are responsible for examining and addressing behaviours in the honeypot setting.

The implementation of Frontend HTML

The technology used to implement the frontend of the SSH Honeypot are HTML, CSS, and JavaScript.

The process of designing a user interface that closely resembles the look and feel of a computer terminal. Terminals are text-based user interfaces that are frequently used for command-line operations, system administration, and server interaction.

In frontend development, user interaction refers to giving users a fun and easy-to-use interface when they interact with the program. This covers operations such as interacting with the UI, submitting forms, and clicking buttons.

In frontend development, responsive layout refers to creating an interface that can adjust to different screen sizes and devices. This guarantees a unified and intuitive user experience on tablets, smartphones, and PCs.

The implementation of SSH Honeypot Script

The SSH Honeypot build in such a way that it is user-friendly and the development of interface is sober and simple to understand and one can operate easily.

Utilizes Python Threading for concurrent execution.

Parallelism in a program is achieved by concurrent execution using Python threading. A program's various components can operate independently and concurrently thanks to threading. The threading module in Python offers a method for managing and creating threads.

Some of the major reasons why we used python threading:

- **Responsive User Interface:** Threading is frequently used in graphical user interface (GUI) programs to maintain the interface's responsiveness while carrying out background operations. The main thread is kept free to process user input and update the GUI by dividing time-consuming tasks into different threads, which keeps the application from becoming sluggish.
- **Concurrency in I/O-Bound Tasks:** For I/O-bound operations, where a large amount of time is spent waiting for input or output procedures to finish, threading works effectively. Because several threads can execute I/O tasks simultaneously, the software can utilize its resources more effectively.
- **Asynchronous Programming:** In asynchronous programming, threading is frequently used to control concurrent execution without the requirement for explicit parallelism. Threading is used by asynchronous frameworks like asyncio to provide concurrency without using blocking calls.

Log rotation ensures effective log management.

Effective log management in SSH honeypots and other systems requires log rotation. It entails the archiving, compression, and deletion of log files on a regular basis to guarantee that historical data is kept for analysis and that the logs don't take up too much disk space. A vital component of log management in SSH honeypots is log rotation, which reduces the possibility of attacker-caused log modification while preserving system health, performance, and historical data.

Implementation of Flask Web Interface

Flask Routes for various functionalities: By designing routes that correlate to various capabilities or aspects inside the application, the goal is to organize the Flask application. Every route has a unique URL endpoint that it is connected to, and when a user visits that endpoint, the functionality that goes along with it is activated.

Separating Simulated Connections and Real-time Log Retrieval: Using this method, routes are arranged according to whether they manage real-time log retrieval or simulated connections, or interactions with the honeypot. When it comes to simulated connections, this could involve logging in to the honeypot using SSH and retrieving logs in real-time.

Implementation of Real-Time Log Updates

JavaScript and AJAX (Asynchronous JavaScript and XML) are used in web development to accomplish dynamic updates in real-time, which allows for log updates to be completed without the need for a page refresh. This approach makes use of asynchronous data fetching and updating technologies to create an immersive experience, enabling users to watch actions quickly. In order to ensure effective resource usage and minimal latency in real-time updates, optimization strategies are essential for seamless functioning. By giving consumers quick feedback and enabling them to stay updated about ongoing activities without the need for manual involvement, this improves the user experience. Moreover, these streamlined updates support effective resource usage, lower server load, and scalability even with an increasing user base. Thus, the combination of optimization techniques, AJAX, and JavaScript creates a responsive and scalable online environment, making more beneficial for an user's engagement and operational efficiency.

Main aspects related to Security Measures

Security Deployment: Install the SSH honeypot in a secured area with limited access. To facilitate monitoring, keep links to reliable sources to a minimum. Utilize network segmentation and firewalls to separate the honeypot and stop illegal access to other vital systems. This containment technique aids in reducing any possible risks related to the installation of honeypots.

Regular Updates: To handle new security risks, make sure the dependencies and honeypot script are updated on a regular basis. Use the most recent security updates and patches to

get rid of vulnerabilities. Frequent upkeep improves the honeypot environment's overall security posture and lowers the danger of exploitation.

Logging and Analysis: Analyze honeypot logs on a regular basis to spot trends and possible dangers. Examine log data to learn about the tactics and actions of attackers. To improve threat detection efficiency, use automated analytical techniques like machine learning algorithms or intrusion detection systems (IDS). Promptly address detected patterns in order to fortify defenses and avert possible security breaches.

Integration with Security System: To take use of the advantages of an all-encompassing security approach, integrate the honeypot into the current security infrastructure. Provide data to security monitoring systems so they can do a thorough investigation. By ensuring that the honeypot's findings are included into a larger security plan, this integration makes it possible to mount a more effective defense against changing threats.

Snippets of the Code

HTML file for the frontend development:

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index.html X enhanced_honeypot.py main.py 1
templates > index.html > ...
1 <!DOCTYPE html>
2 <html lang="en">
3 <head>
4 <meta charset="UTF-8">
5 <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
6 <title>SSH HoneyPot</title>
7 <style>
8   body {
9     font-family: 'Arial', sans-serif;
10    background-color: #1e1e1e; /* Dark background color */
11    color: #ffff; /* White text color */
12    margin: 20px;
13  }
14
15  h1, h2 {
16    color: #61dafb; /* Light blue heading color */
17  }
18
19  button {
20    padding: 10px 20px;
21    font-size: 16px;
22    background-color: #007bff;
23    color: #ffff;
24    border: none;
25    cursor: pointer;
26  }
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28  button:hover {
29    background-color: #0056b3;
30  }
31
32  #real-time-logs {
33    border: 1px solid #61dafb; /* Light blue border */
34    padding: 10px;
35    max-height: 300px;
36    overflow-y: auto;
37    background-color: #002b36; /* Dark terminal-like background color */
38    margin-top: 20px;
39    color: #00ff00; /* Green text color for logs */
40  }
41
42  #real-time-logs li {
43    list-style-type: none;
44    margin: 5px 0;
45  }
46 </style>
47 </head>
48 <body>
49 <h1>SSH HoneyPot</h1>
50
51 <form action="/simulate-connection" method="post">
52   <button type="submit">Simulate Connection</button>
53 </form>
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templates > index.html > ...
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55 <h2>Real-time Logs</h2>
56 <ul id="real-time-logs">
57   <!-- Display real-time logs here -->
58 </ul>
59
60 <button onclick="updateRealTimeLogs()">Get Real-time Logs</button>
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63 <div>
64   <h2>What is SSH HoneyPot?</h2>
65   <p>SSH HoneyPot is a security mechanism designed to emulate an SSH server, attracting potential attackers and logging their activities. It acts as a decoy, diverting attention away from actual systems and services.</p>
66
67   <h2>Why SSH HoneyPot is Useful?</h2>
68   <p>SSH HoneyPot serves several purposes in cybersecurity, including:</p>
69   <ul>
70     <li><b>Detection:</b> Identifying and monitoring potential threats and attack patterns.</li>
71     <li><b>Analysis:</b> Studying attacker behavior and understanding emerging threats.</li>
72     <li><b>Security:</b> Enhancing overall network security by diverting and mitigating potential attacks.</li>
73   </ul>
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75   <h2>Where SSH HoneyPot is Used?</h2>
76   <p>SSH HoneyPots are commonly deployed in environments such as:</p>
77   <ul>
78     <li><b>Enterprise Networks:</b> To safeguard critical infrastructure and sensitive data.</li>
79     <li><b>Research Environments:</b> For studying cyber threats and developing countermeasures.</li>
80     <li><b>Public-Facing Systems:</b> To protect servers and services exposed to the Internet.</li>
81   </ul>
82 </div>
83
84 <script>
85   // Function to update real-time logs dynamically
86   function updateRealTimeLogs() {
87     fetch('/get-real-time-logs')
88       .then(response => response.json())
89       .then(data => {
90         const logsContainer = document.getElementById('real-time-logs');
91         logsContainer.innerHTML = ''; // Clear existing logs
92
93         data.forEach(log => {
94           const listItem = document.createElement('li');
95           listItem.textContent = log;
96           logsContainer.appendChild(listItem);
97         });
98       });
99
100   // Update logs every 2 seconds (adjust as needed)
101   setInterval(updateRealTimeLogs, 2000);
102 </script>
103 </body>
104 </html>
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Python file with enhanced honeypot functionality:

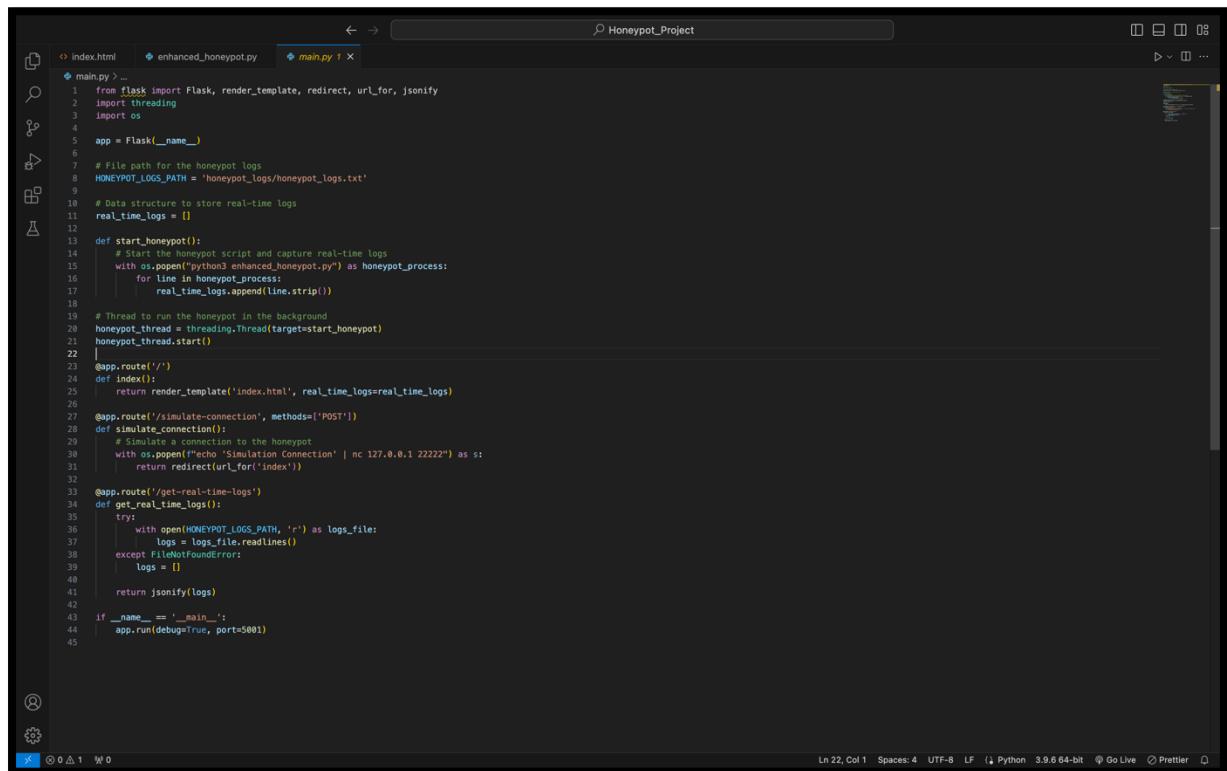
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enhanced_honeypot.py > ...
1 import socket
2 import threading
3 import logging
4 import os
5 import time
6
7 # Configuration constants
8 HOST = '0.0.0.0' # Listen on all available interfaces
9 PORT = 22222 # SSH port
10
11 # Set up logging
12 log_directory = 'honeypot_logs'
13 if not os.path.exists(log_directory):
14     os.makedirs(log_directory)
15
16 log_file_path = os.path.join(log_directory, 'honeypot_logs.txt')
17
18 # Log rotation configuration
19 log_rotation_threshold = 10 # MB
20 log_rotation_interval = 24 # hours
21
22 logging.basicConfig(filename=log_file_path, level=logging.INFO, format='%(asctime)s - %(levelname)s - %(message)s')
23
24 # Dictionary to store honeypot tokens and their access timestamps
25 honeypot_tokens = {}
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29 def log_connection(client_socket, request, log_message):
30     # Log the connection attempt
31     log_entry = f"Connection from: {client_socket.getpeername()} - {request.decode('utf-8').strip()} - {log_message}\n"
32     logging.info(log_entry)
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37 def handle_client(client_socket):
38     try:
39         # This function handles the interaction with a single client
40         request = client_socket.recv(1024) # Receive the initial client request
41
42         # Log the connection attempt
43         log_connection(client_socket, request, "Initial request")
44
45         # Emulate an SSH server response (you can make this more sophisticated)
46         response = "SSH-2.0-OpenSSH_7.9p1 Debian-10+deb10u2\r\n"
47         client_socket.send(response.encode())
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49         # Log the key exchange attempt
50         key_request = client_socket.recv(1024).decode('utf-8').strip()
51         log_connection(client_socket, request, f"Key exchange attempt: {key_request}")
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53         # Emulate an SSH server response for key exchange
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53         # Emulate an SSH server response for key exchange:
54         key_response = "SSH-2.0-OpenSSH_7.9p1 Debian-10+deb10u2\r\n"
55         client_socket.send(key_response.encode())
56
57         # Log the command attempts
58         while True:
59             command_bytes = client_socket.recv(1024)
60             if not command_bytes:
61                 break
62
63             command = command_bytes.decode('utf-8').strip()
64             log_message = f"Command: {command}"
65
66             # Log the connection attempt
67             log_connection(client_socket, request, log_message)
68
69             # Check if specific commands are detected and respond accordingly
70             command_responses = {
71                 "rm -rf": "Permission denied: Deleting everything is not allowed!\r\n",
72                 "sudo": "Permission denied: Superuser access is not allowed!\r\n",
73                 "wget": "Permission denied: Downloading files is not allowed!\r\n",
74                 "curl": "Permission denied: Downloading files is not allowed!\r\n",
75                 "nc": "Permission denied: Network commands are not allowed!\r\n",
76                 "netcat": "Permission denied: Network commands are not allowed!\r\n",
77                 "chmod": "Permission denied: Changing file permissions is not allowed!\r\n",
78                 "passwd": "Permission denied: Changing passwords is not allowed!\r\n",
79                 "mkdir": "Permission denied: Creating directories is not allowed!\r\n",
80                 "echo": "Permission denied: Echoing commands is not allowed!\r\n",
81                 "kill": "Permission denied: Killing processes is not allowed!\r\n",
82                 "ifconfig": "Permission denied: Viewing network interfaces is not allowed!\r\n",
83                 "ls": "Permission denied: Listing directory contents is not allowed!\r\n",
84                 "cat": "Permission denied: Viewing file contents is not allowed!\r\n",
85                 "grep": "Permission denied: Searching through files is not allowed!\r\n",
86                 "vi": "Permission denied: Text editing is not allowed!\r\n",
87                 "nano": "Permission denied: Text editing is not allowed!\r\n",
88                 "echo *": "Permission denied: Wildcard expansion is not allowed!\r\n",
89                 "find": "Permission denied: Searching for files is not allowed!\r\n",
90                 "ps": "Permission denied: Viewing processes is not allowed!\r\n",
91                 "top": "Permission denied: Viewing system processes is not allowed!\r\n",
92                 "whoami": "Permission denied: Identifying the current user is not allowed!\r\n",
93                 "uname": "Permission denied: Retrieving system information is not allowed!\r\n",
94                 "df": "Permission denied: Displaying disk space is not allowed!\r\n",
95                 "du": "Permission denied: Displaying file and directory space usage is not allowed!\r\n",
96                 "ping": "Permission denied: Network ping is not allowed!\r\n",
97                 "traceroute": "Permission denied: Tracing network routes is not allowed!\r\n",
98                 "ssh": "Permission denied: SSH connections are not allowed!\r\n",
99             }
100
101             for cmd, response_message in command_responses.items():
102                 if cmd in command:
103                     client_socket.send(response_message.encode())
104                     break
105             else:
106                 # If no specific command is found, respond with a generic denial
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105         else:
106             # Default response for other commands
107             response_message = "Command not found\r\n"
108             client_socket.send(response_message.encode())
109
110         # Check if a honeypot is triggered
111         if command in honeytokens:
112             log_message = f"Honeypot triggered: {command}"
113             log_connection(client_socket, request, log_message)
114
115     except socket.error as se:
116         if se.errno == 107: # Transport endpoint is not connected
117             pass # Ignore this specific error
118         else:
119             logging.error(f"Socket error: {se}")
120     except Exception as e:
121         logging.error(f"Error handling client: {e}")
122
123     finally:
124         # Close the client socket
125         client_socket.close()
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129 def start_honeypot():
130     try:
131         # Create a socket to listen for incoming connections
132         server = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
133         server.bind((HOST, PORT))
134         server.listen(5)
135
136         logging.info(f"[*] Listening on {HOST}:{PORT}")
137
138         # Log rotation variables
139         last_rotation_time = time.time()
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141         while True:
142             # Check for log rotation
143             if os.path.getsize(log_file_path) > (log_rotation_threshold * 1024) or (time.time() - last_rotation_time) > (log_rotation_interval * 3600):
144                 logging.info("Performing log rotation.")
145                 logging.handlers.RotatingFileHandler(log_file_path, backupCount=5, maxBytes=log_rotation_threshold * 1024 * 1024)
146                 last_rotation_time = time.time()
147
148             # Accept incoming connections
149             client, addr = server.accept()
150
151             # Handle each connection in a separate thread
152             client_handler = threading.Thread(target=handle_client, args=(client,))
153             client_handler.start()
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155     except socket.error as se:
156         logging.error(f"Socket error: {se}")
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Main python file in which threading and flask are built for the web interface:



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1 from flask import Flask, render_template, redirect, url_for, jsonify
2 import threading
3 import os
4
5 app = Flask(__name__)
6
7 # File path for the honeypot logs
8 HONEYPOT_LOGS_PATH = 'honeypot_logs/honeypot_logs.txt'
9
10 # Data structure to store real-time logs
11 real_time_logs = []
12
13 def start_honeypot():
14     # Start the honeypot script and capture real-time logs
15     with os.popen("python3 enhanced_honeypot.py") as honeypot_process:
16         for line in honeypot_process:
17             real_time_logs.append(line.strip())
18
19 # Thread to run the honeypot in the background
20 honeypot_thread = threading.Thread(target=start_honeypot)
21 honeypot_thread.start()
22
23 @app.route('/')
24 def index():
25     return render_template('index.html', real_time_logs=real_time_logs)
26
27 @app.route('/simulate-connection', methods=['POST'])
28 def simulate_connection():
29     # Simulate a connection to the honeypot
30     with os.popen('echo "Simulation Connection" | nc 127.0.0.1 22222') as s:
31         return redirect(url_for('index'))
32
33 @app.route('/get-real-time-logs')
34 def get_real_time_logs():
35     try:
36         with open(HONEYPOT_LOGS_PATH, 'r') as logs_file:
37             logs = logs_file.readlines()
38     except FileNotFoundError:
39         logs = []
40
41     return jsonify(logs)
42
43 if __name__ == '__main__':
44     app.run(debug=True, port=5001)
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Snippets of an User Interface

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Simulate Connection

Real-time Logs

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2023-11-25 02:45:00,021 - INFO - [*] Listening on 0.0.0.0:22222
2023-11-25 02:45:00,192 - ERROR - Socket error: [Errno 98] Address already in use
2023-11-25 02:45:12,189 - INFO - Connection from: (*127.0.0.1, 33738) - Simulation Connection - Initial request
2023-11-25 02:45:21,489 - INFO - Connection from: (*127.0.0.1, 43284) - Simulation Connection - Initial request
2023-11-25 02:45:59,211 - INFO - Connection from: (*127.0.0.1, 41674) - sudo - Initial request
2023-11-25 02:46:04,040 - INFO - Connection from: (*127.0.0.1, 41674) - sudo - Key exchange attempt: wget
2023-11-25 02:46:06,685 - INFO - Connection from: (*127.0.0.1, 41674) - sudo - Command: wget
2023-11-25 02:46:10,053 - INFO - Connection from: (*127.0.0.1, 41674) - sudo - Command: kill
2023-11-25 02:46:12,886 - INFO - Connection from: (*127.0.0.1, 41674) - sudo - Command: rm -rf
2023-11-25 02:46:19,382 - INFO - Connection from: (*127.0.0.1, 41674) - sudo - Command: netstat
2023-11-25 02:46:40,698 - INFO - Connection from: (*127.0.0.1, 41674) - sudo - Command: grep
2023-11-25 02:46:43,223 - INFO - Connection from: (*127.0.0.1, 41674) - sudo - Command: vi
2023-11-25 02:46:46,477 - INFO - Connection from: (*127.0.0.1, 41674) - sudo - Command: nano
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Get Real-time Logs

What is SSH HoneyPot?

SSH HoneyPot is a security mechanism designed to emulate an SSH server, attracting potential attackers and logging their activities. It acts as a decoy, diverting attention away from actual systems and allowing administrators to study and analyze malicious behavior.

Why SSH HoneyPot is Useful?

SSH HoneyPot serves several purposes in cybersecurity, including:

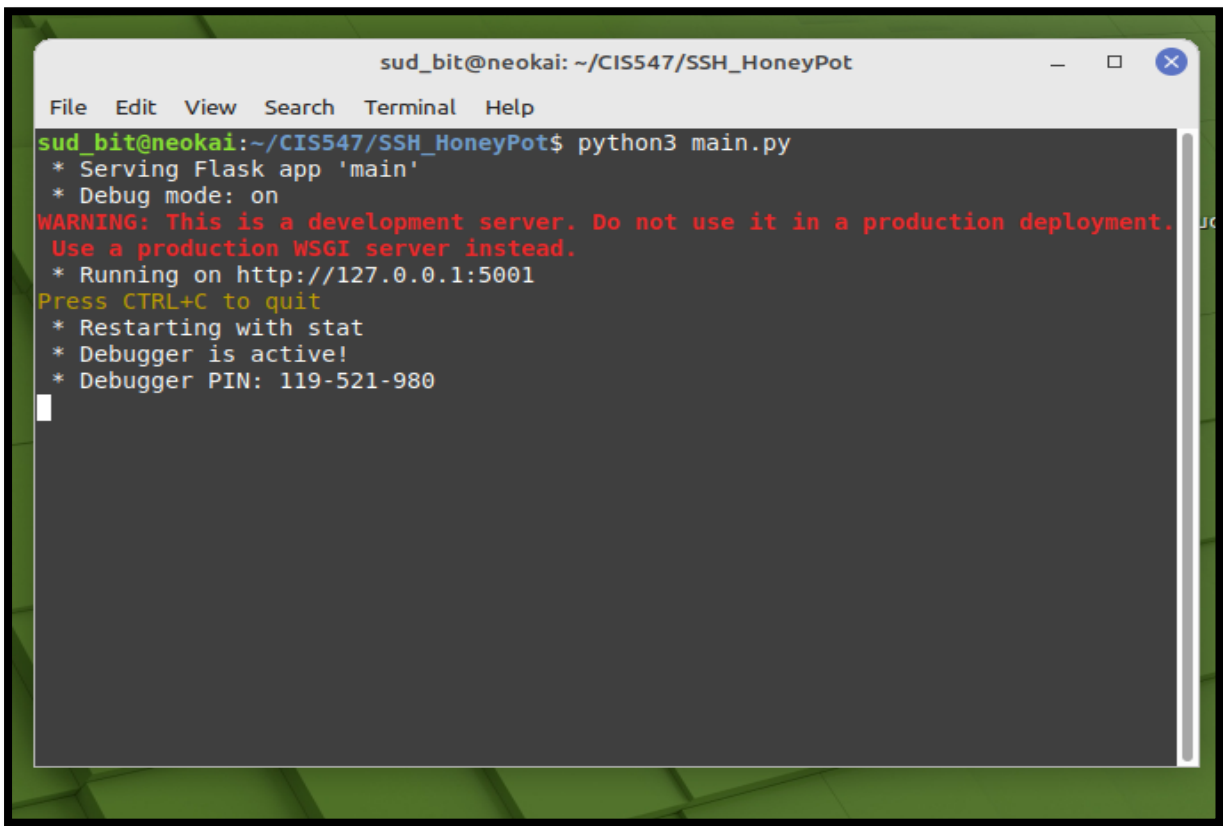
- **Detection:** Identifying and monitoring potential threats and attack patterns.
- **Analysis:** Studying attacker behavior and understanding emerging threats.
- **Security:** Enhancing overall network security by diverting and mitigating potential attacks.

Where SSH HoneyPot is Used?

SSH HoneyPots are commonly deployed in environments such as:

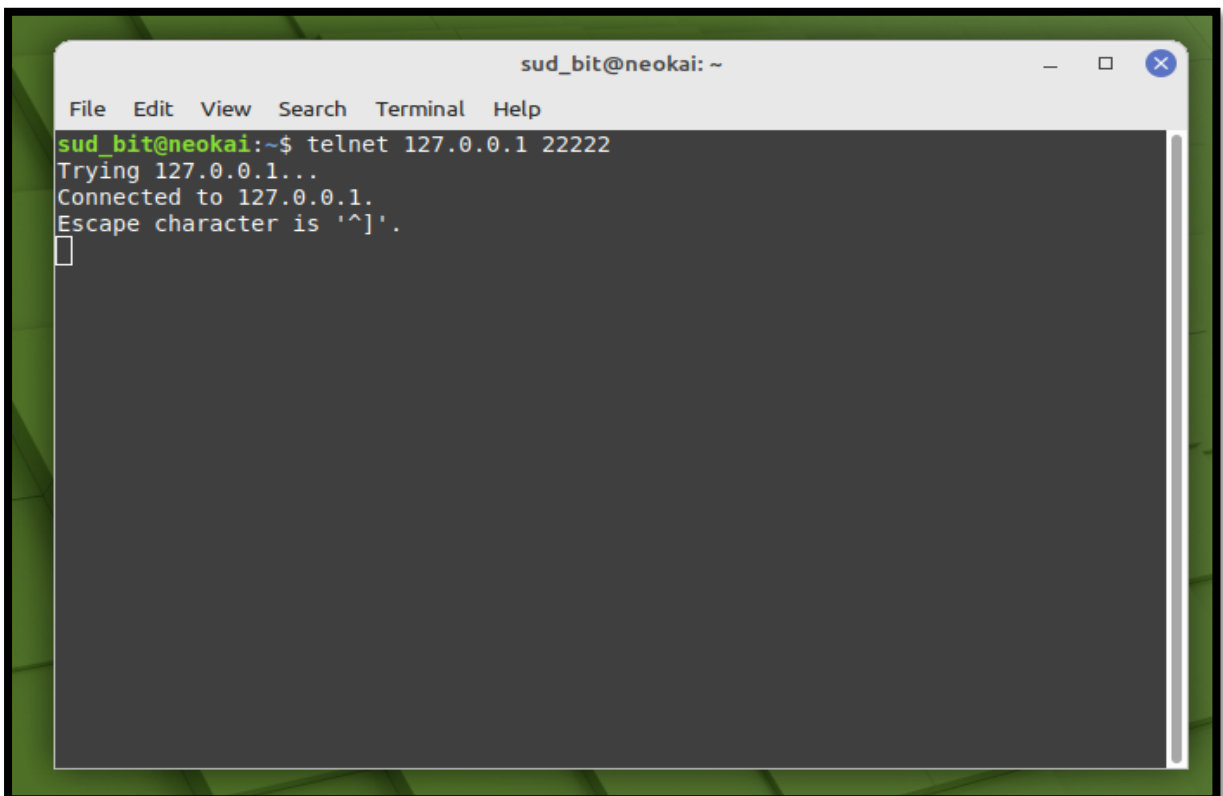
- **Enterprise Networks:** To safeguard critical infrastructure and sensitive data.
- **Research Environments:** For studying cyber threats and developing countermeasures.
- **Public-Facing Systems:** To protect servers and services exposed to the Internet.

Snippets for an Output

A terminal window titled 'sud_bit@neokai: ~/CIS547/SSH_HoneyPot' with a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Search, Terminal, Help). The terminal shows the command 'python3 main.py' being executed. The output includes: '* Serving Flask app 'main'', '* Debug mode: on', a red warning message 'WARNING: This is a development server. Do not use it in a production deployment. Use a production WSGI server instead.', '* Running on http://127.0.0.1:5001', 'Press CTRL+C to quit', and '* Restarting with stat', '* Debugger is active!', '* Debugger PIN: 119-521-980'. A cursor is visible on the line following the PIN.

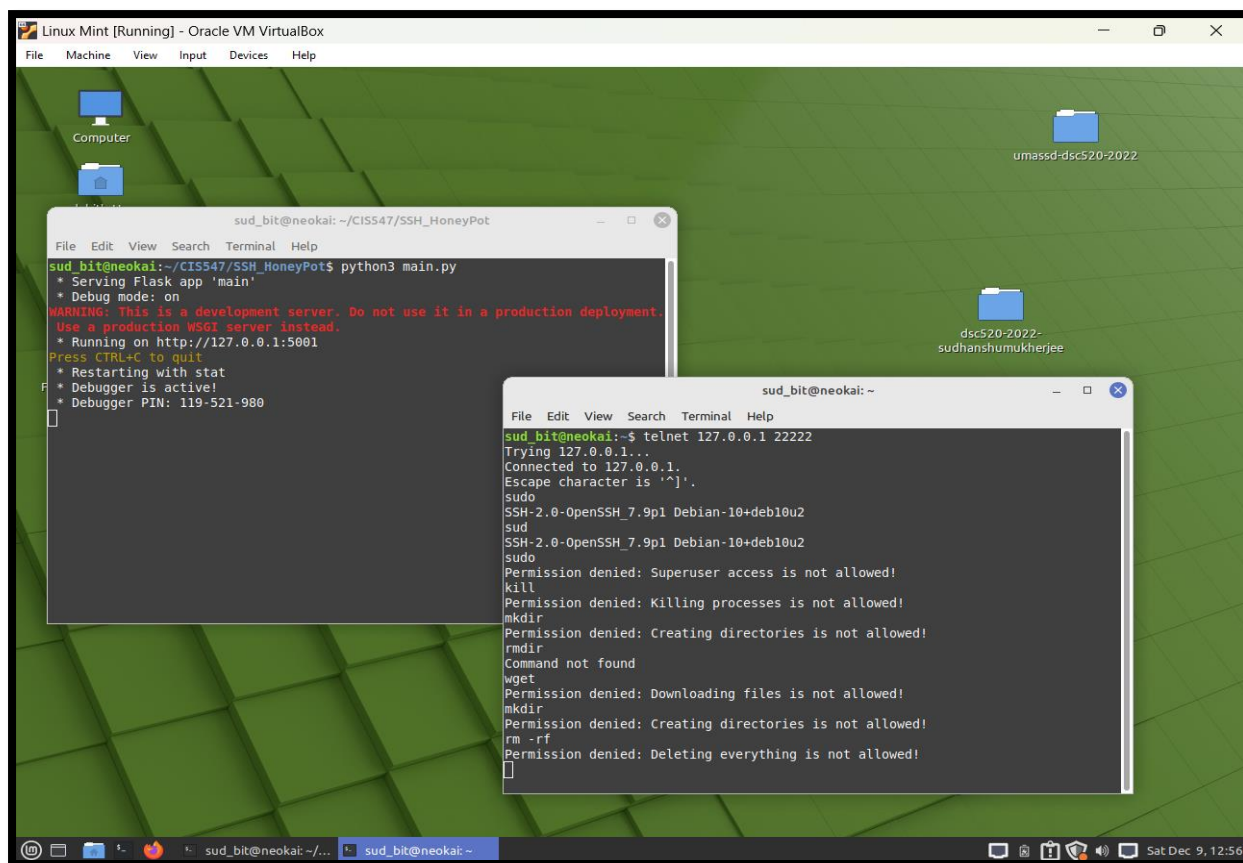
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sud_bit@neokai: ~/CIS547/SSH_HoneyPot
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
sud_bit@neokai:~/CIS547/SSH_HoneyPot$ python3 main.py
* Serving Flask app 'main'
* Debug mode: on
WARNING: This is a development server. Do not use it in a production deployment.
Use a production WSGI server instead.
* Running on http://127.0.0.1:5001
Press CTRL+C to quit
* Restarting with stat
* Debugger is active!
* Debugger PIN: 119-521-980

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A terminal window titled 'sud_bit@neokai: ~' with a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Search, Terminal, Help). The terminal shows the command 'telnet 127.0.0.1 22222' being executed. The output includes: 'Trying 127.0.0.1...', 'Connected to 127.0.0.1.', and 'Escape character is '^[''. A cursor is visible on the line following the escape character message.

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sud_bit@neokai: ~
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
sud_bit@neokai:~$ telnet 127.0.0.1 22222
Trying 127.0.0.1...
Connected to 127.0.0.1.
Escape character is '^['.

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Conclusion

In the realm of cybersecurity, understanding the tactics employed by potential attackers is crucial for fortifying our defenses. Our SSH HoneyPot project has been a journey into the world of deception and detection, offering a proactive approach to identifying and thwarting malicious activities.

Through the deployment of our SSH HoneyPot, we've created an environment that entices would-be attackers with simulated vulnerabilities and false assets. By closely monitoring the interactions with our decoy system, we gain valuable insights into the methods and intentions of malicious actors. The project's success lies in its ability to act as an early warning system, allowing us to detect, analyze, and respond to security threats before they can escalate.

The key features of our SSH HoneyPot include a dynamic response mechanism to various commands, a robust logging and analysis system, and the integration of HoneyTokens for an added layer of deception. The enhanced honeypot not only logs connection attempts but also responds strategically to specific commands, limiting the potential actions of attackers and providing valuable intelligence on their intent.

By incorporating elements like HoneyTokens, we've introduced a level of sophistication to our deception strategy. These fake pieces of information, strategically placed within our honeypot,

serve as tripwires, alerting us to unauthorized access attempts and potential security breaches. The project's success is not only measured by the incidents it detects but also by the deterrent effect it imposes on attackers, who may be hesitant to distinguish between real and decoy systems.

As we conclude our SSH HoneyPot project, we recognize that the cybersecurity landscape is dynamic and ever-evolving. Our honeypot serves as a testament to the importance of proactive defense measures, leveraging deception as a powerful tool to stay one step ahead of adversaries. By continuously refining and expanding our honeypot's capabilities, we contribute to the collective effort of securing digital landscapes and fostering a safer online environment.

Our SSH HoneyPot project stands as a foundation for future endeavors in understanding, mitigating, and adapting to the evolving threat landscape.