

Plugin Functionality Analysis: Plugin Workflow:

Initialization: Plugins activate based on scan configurations like target selection and scan types.

Discovery: Nessus identifies active hosts, open ports, and services on the network.

Execution: Plugins execute vulnerability checks, compliance audits, etc., against discovered services.

Identification: Plugins scan for known vulnerabilities, misconfigurations, and threats using signature databases.

Scripting & Custom Checks: Some plugins support custom scripts for specific checks or configurations.

Exploitability Testing: Certain plugins simulate attacks to confirm vulnerability severity.

Protocol-Specific Scans: Plugins detect vulnerabilities unique to various protocols (HTTP, SMTP, etc.).

Reporting: Identified vulnerabilities are compiled into reports with details and recommended fixes.

Feature Examination:

Scripting: Assess plugins allowing custom script creation for tailored checks.

Exploitability Checks: Explore plugins simulating attacks to confirm and measure potential risks.

Protocol-Specific Detection: Review plugins targeting vulnerabilities specific to particular protocols.

Deep Scans: Evaluate plugins offering extensive system-level or privileged-access scans.

Custom Policies: Analyze plugins allowing custom risk scoring or compliance settings.

CVE/CPE Integration: Plugins leveraging CVE/CPE databases for accurate vulnerability identification.

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Host Discovery

A simple scan to discover live hosts and open ports.

Basic Network Scan

A full system scan suitable for any host.

Advanced Scan

Configure a scan without using any recommendations.

Advanced Dynamic Scan

Configure a dynamic plugin scan without recommendations.

Malware Scan

Scan for malware on Windows and Unix systems.

Mobile Device Scan

Assess mobile devices via Microsoft Exchange or an MDM.

Web Application Tests

Scan for published and unknown web vulnerabilities using Nessus Scanner.

Credentialed Patch Audit

Authenticate to hosts and enumerate missing updates.

Intel AMT Security Bypass

Remote and local checks for CVE: 2017-5689.

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Status: Running

Severity Base: CVSS v3.0

Scanner: Local Scanner

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Start: 2023-12-30 at 4:07 PM

End: 2023-12-30 at 4:39 PM

Elapsed: 31 minutes

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