110624 Connecting to Pi-hole's admin interface

SP: Moving forward, we'll continue troubleshooting an issue involved with accessing pi-hole's web interface from our local machine!



Access Pi-hole's Web Interface:

· After installation, you'll be given a URL (http:///admin) to access the Pi-hole dashboard from your browser.

Unable to access interface, so let's troubleshoot: (Refer to 11/05 for first two pictures)

Ran nmap command (Pictured above)

Confirmed port 80 is open.

Resource used: nmap commands ->

https://www.recordedfuture.com/threat-intelligence-101/tools-and-techniques/nmap-commands

Ran sudo systemctl status pihole-FTL + sudo systemctl status lighttpd

Verified both are active (2nd picture above)

FasterThanLight (FTL) = engine that handles DNS queries

Pi-hole is active.

Ran sudo lsof -i :80 (Pictured above)

Checks to see if the lightpd web server is actively listening on port 80

It's listening, so we know this isn't the issue

Ran sudo ufw status verbose

Check the status of our uncomplicated firewall (UFW), which is a program for managing a netfilter firewall.

As we can see above (2nd image), the UFW is inactive :(

Ran curl ifconfig.me

to get our public ip address, so we can retry accessing the interface.

'This site can't be reach :(

Ran curl 127.0.0.1 (Loopback address)

Checked to see if the instance is serving pages internally and there was no response. I was expecting it to serve me the admin portals html page.

Ran sudo systemctl restart lighttpd

Our webpage isn't being served locally or within the instance, so I decided to restart the web server.

Ran sudo tail -n 50 /var/log/lighttpd/error.log (Accounting/Auditing)

Checked for error messages involving port 80 to give us info on why our local host wont resolve the admin page.

2024-11-04 15:48:59: (server.c.xxxx) server started (lighttpd/1.4.63)

2024-11-04 15:50:07: (server.c.xxxx) server stopped by UID = 0 PID = 1

As we can see above, there were no issues indicated involving tcp/80.

Reboot instance

Reboot through oracle dashboard

Afterwards, I tried to access admin portal, but to no avail

Disabled local firewall

Disabled firewall in mac settings

Settings -> Network -> Firewall

Unable to connect to portal with firewall disabled

SP: After trying a variety of methods to troubleshoot this issue, we are still unable to connect to the Pi-hole dashboard on our local machine. Moving forward, we'll continue troubleshooting and are confident we'll eventually succeed 😊 .							