

## OSI Network Protocol Stack

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|   | OSI          | TCP/IP      |
|---|--------------|-------------|
| 7 | Application  | Application |
| 6 | Presentation |             |
| 5 | Session      |             |
| 4 | Transport    | Transport   |
| 3 | Network      | Internet    |
| 2 | Data link    | Data link   |
| 1 | Physical     | Physical    |

## Port Scanning—Nmap

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To find services (*exploitable communication channels*) running on your machine.

### TCP header

|  |   |   |   |          |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |        |   |                  |   |   |   |   |   |         |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
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| 1  | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5        | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9    | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3      | 4 | 5                | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 1       | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Source port                                    |   |   |   |          |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |        |   | Destination port |   |   |   |   |   |         |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Sequence number                                |   |   |   |          |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |        |   |                  |   |   |   |   |   |         |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Acknowledgement number (1 + last byte # recvd) |   |   |   |          |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |        |   |                  |   |   |   |   |   |         |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Hdr len  |   |   |   | Reserved |   |   |   | Code |   |   |   | Window |   |                  |   |   |   |   |   |         |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Checksum                                       |   |   |   |          |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |        |   | Urgent pointer   |   |   |   |   |   |         |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| Options if any                                 |   |   |   |          |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |        |   |                  |   |   |   |   |   | padding |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| DATA   |   |   |   |          |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |        |   |                  |   |   |   |   |   |         |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |

CODE is 6 bits, from left to right: URG, ACK, PSH, RST, SYN, FIN.

- ▶ TCP connect scanning. Can result in application-level logging.
- ▶ TCP SYN scanning aka Stealth mode. Leads to denial of service in many OSes. Could be logged.
- ▶ TCP FIN scanning.
- ▶ Fragmentation scanning. Split TCP header (SYN) into multiple packets.
- ▶ UDP ICMP port unreachable scanning. May be limited by the host's error limit rate.
- ▶ Ping sweeps.
- ▶ IP Protocol scanning.
- ▶ Xmas tree scan: FIN|URG|PSH.

## Remote OS detection via TCP/IP Stack Fingerprinting

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Why?

- ▶ Many security holes dependent on OS version.
- ▶ Scan a network for (OS,svc) pairs and wait for next exploit.
- ▶ Social engineering.

How?

- ▶ Just telnet to the machine.
- ▶ Telnet to the ftp port.
- ▶ DNS host info record.
- ▶ snmpwalk.

Basically, look for things that are different among OSes and write a probe for the difference.

- ▶ FIN scan to known open port. Windows boxes will send RST back.
- ▶ BOGUS flag returned on some Linuxes. (SYN+BOGUS) returns (ACK + BOGUS).
- ▶ ISN sampling. Some always use the same ISN! Random increments, true “random”, time-dependent model,...
- ▶ Don't Fragment bit in the IP header.
- ▶ TCP Initial window size (during handshake or on RST packets). AIX = 16165!
- ▶ ACK value on RST returned on a FIN|PSH|URG sent to a closed port?
- ▶ ICMP error message rate. Some systems such as Linux will rate limit the returned error messages.
- ▶ ICMP message quoting size. How much of the offending packet is returned. Only header+64 bits returned or more or the whole packet.

- ▶ TOS on ICMP port unreachable. Overlapping fragments for TCP.
- ▶ Fragmentation handling.
- ▶ TCP options, which ones supported, order of return,...

### Examples of Nmap configuration

- ▶ T5 (DF=N%W=0%ACK=S++%Flags=AR%0ps=) - SYN to a closed port.
- ▶ T6 (DF=N%W=0%ACK=0%Flags=R%0ps=) - ACK to a closed port.

### IP header

|                   |   |   |   |          |   |   |   |          |   |   |   |              |   |   |   |              |   |             |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|-------------------|---|---|---|----------|---|---|---|----------|---|---|---|--------------|---|---|---|--------------|---|-------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1                 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5        | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9        | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3            | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7            | 8 | 9           | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| vers              |   |   |   | hlen     |   |   |   | svc type |   |   |   |              |   |   |   | total len    |   |             |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| ident             |   |   |   |          |   |   |   |          |   |   |   |              |   |   |   | flags        |   | frag offset |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| ttl               |   |   |   | protocol |   |   |   |          |   |   |   | hdr checksum |   |   |   |              |   |             |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| source ip addr    |   |   |   |          |   |   |   |          |   |   |   |              |   |   |   | dest ip addr |   |             |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| ip options if any |   |   |   |          |   |   |   |          |   |   |   |              |   |   |   | padding      |   |             |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| DATA              |   |   |   |          |   |   |   |          |   |   |   |              |   |   |   |              |   |             |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |

## Software Forensics

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Adapted from <http://www.fish.com/tct/help-when-broken-into>.

Reconstructing the past based on current evidence.

- ▶ Secure & Isolate. Simply disconnect the system from the network.
- ▶ Record the scene.
- ▶ Search for evidence. *Can you trust the tools?* [Reflections on Trusting Trust—Ken Thompson.]

## Do you suspect that you've been broken into

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Adapted from [HLK01, pg. 61].

- ▶ Web page defacement.
- ▶ Dramatic increase in disk space.
- ▶ High network usage.
- ▶ Promiscuous network interfaces.
- ▶ Contact from other administrators.
- ▶ Wiped or truncated logs.
- ▶ Strange processes running.
- ▶ Local users have had remote accounts cracked.
- ▶ Things just “seem funny”.

## Have you been broken into—Use logging effectively

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Adapted from the CERT Intruder Detection Checklist.

► Connections from unusual locations.

- utmp, man(5). Binary file that contains a record for every active *tty* line i.e., information about who is currently using the system.

```
-rw-rw-r-- 1 root utmp 6528 Mar 15 13:43 /var/run/utmp
```

Used by *who*, *w*, *users*, *finger*.

- wtmp. Keeps track of both logins and logouts.

```
-rw-rw-r-- 1 root utmp 65664 Mar 18 02:07 /var/log/wtmp
```

Used by *last*.

```
ftp      ftpd945      csa.iisc.ernet.i Fri Mar 8 14:35 - 14:35 (00:00)
reboot   system boot  2.4.7-10        Fri Mar 8 14:34      (6+20:03)
s-kumar  pts/5                Thu Mar 7 16:40 - 13:30 (20:50)
ftp      ftpd2548      csa.iisc.ernet.i Thu Mar 7 14:08 - 14:08 (00:00)
```

- lastb

- Process Accounting. */var/log/pacct\** on RH Linux. No command args and no cwd. Used by *lastcomm*.

```
logrotate      S      root    ??      0.02 secs Mon Mar 18 04:02
gzip           root    ??      1.13 secs Mon Mar 18 04:02
sh             root    ??      0.01 secs Mon Mar 18 04:02
accton        S      root    ??      0.00 secs Mon Mar 18 04:02
```

- syslog man syslog, */etc/syslog.conf*. (Facility, Level, Action)

```
authpriv.*      /var/log/secure
mail.*          /var/log/maillog
cron.*          /var/log/cron
*.emerg         *
news.=err       /var/log/news/news.err
*.info;mail.none;news.none;cron.none /var/log/messages
```

Facilities: authpriv, cron, daemon, kern, lpr, mail, news, user,...

Level: emerg, alert, crit, err, warning, notice, info, debug.

```
Mar 17 08:37:19 suk ftpd[24314]: ANONYMOUS FTP LOGIN FROM csa.iisc.ernet.in [144.16.67.8],
anarchie@csa.iisc.ernet.in
```

- tcpwrappers
  - Apache access log (`/var/log/httpd/access_log*`). What sites have been contacting and which files have been downloaded.
- ▶ Setuid and setgid files.
- ```
find / -user root -perm -4000 -xdev -print
```
- ▶ Check system binaries for alteration – mods, content. Save them on a WORM device, on a different machine. Tripwire, AIDE, Nabou. Protecting modes are needed because:
- Log files can be made readable.
  - System programs/startup scripts could be made writable.
  - Sticky bit could be unset to allow for symlink race condition attacks.
  - Writable setuid programs.
- ▶ Check for unauthorized use of network monitoring program.
- ▶ Examine all files run by “cron” and “at”.
- ▶ Check `/etc/inetd.conf` (`/etc/xinetd.conf`) for unauthorized additions or changes. On kohinoor, a sample entry in `inetd.conf` is:
- ```
ftp      stream  tcp      nowait  root    /usr/sbin/tcpd  /usr/sbin/in.ftpd
```
- The *nowait* specifies that `inetd` should spawn `tcpd` on receiving a connection and returning to listening on new connections on the ftp port, i.e., to *not wait* for `tcpd` to exit. The *wait* option is mostly for UDP based services.
- ▶ Check `/etc/passwd` for new accounts, accounts with no passwords, uid changes to existing accounts.
- ▶ Check network configuration files `/etc/hosts.equiv`, `~/ .rhosts`, `/etc/hosts.lpd`. The format of entries in `/etc/hosts.equiv` is `[+—-] [hostname] [user-name]`. Ex:

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| nirvana  | allow like-named users on nirvana to access localhost without password.                |
| +nirvana | allow any user in nirvana access to access localhost without password.                 |
| +skumar  | allow skumar from any host to any account on localhost (except root) without password. |
| -nirvana | always require password from nirvana.  |
| +        | allow any host/any user access to your system without password.                        |

- ▶ Look for hidden or unusual files—'...', '.. ', '..^G' etc.
- ▶ Examine all machines on the local network.

## What to do now?

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Adapted from <http://www.fish.com/tct/help-when-broken-into>.

- ▶ Create a security policy.
  - No modem connections, wireless or otherwise.
  - No connection of non-Sun OSes on SWAN.
  - Regular password changes.
  - No compilation or running of outside untested programs.
- ▶ Install any and all vendor patches.
- ▶ Turn off all unneeded network services.
- ▶ Learn your system better.
- ▶ Turn on logging and accounting.
- ▶ Create a baseline.
- ▶ Regularly audit or at least examine your systems.

### Future

- ▶ Keep your eyes open and learn from your mistakes.
- ▶ Keep good recoverable backups.

## References

- [HLK01] Brian Hatch, James Lee, and George Kurtz. *Hacking Linux Exposed: Linux Security Secrets & Solutions*. Osborne/McGraw-Hill, 2001.