

# Topic 8 Penetration Testing Reconnaissance

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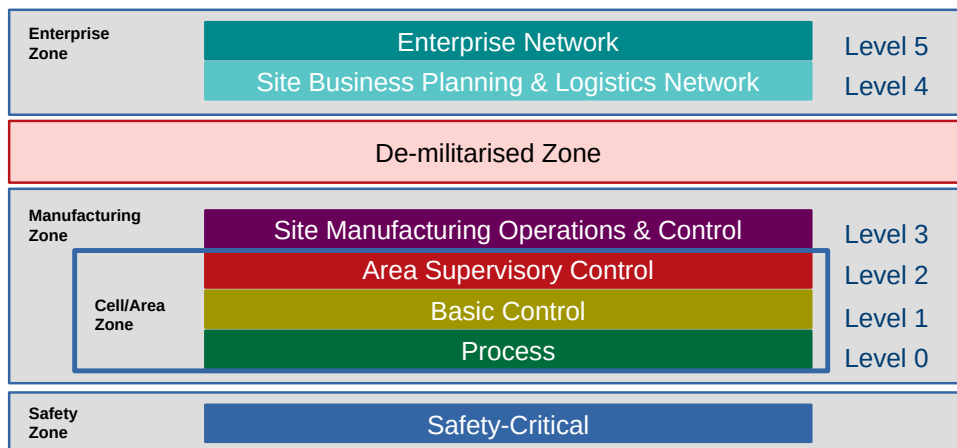
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## Learning objectives

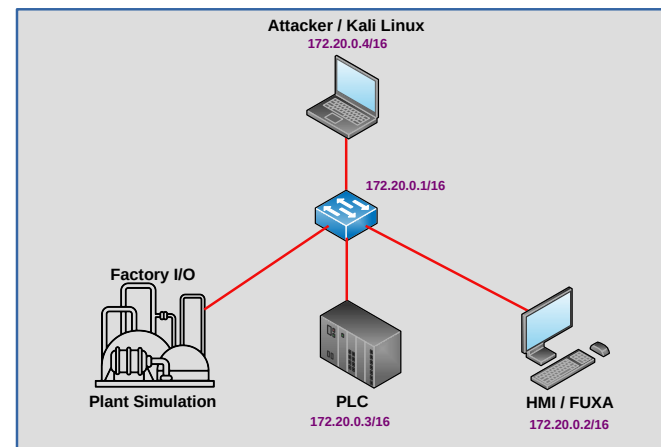
By the end of this topic, you will be able to:

- Carry out a reconnaissance on the VICSORT2 Operational Technology Simulation.

## Purdue Model



## VICSORT2 Testbed

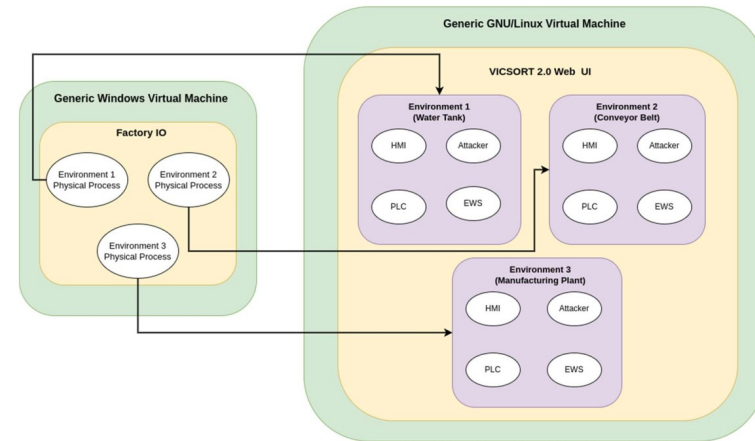


## VICSORT2 Testbed

Node	IP Address Mapping
Bridge	172.20.0.1 /16
HMI / FUXA	172.20.0.2 /16
PLC	172.20.0.3 /16
Kali Linux	172.20.0.4 /16

PLC Username: openplc	Password: openplc
Kali Username: kasm_user	Password: password

## Architecture Overview



## Installing VICSORT2 Platform

### Prerequisites

- You have downloaded the [Ubuntu 22.04 LTS](#) or [24.04 LTS](#) Desktop version VM and set it up within VirtualBox.
- Assumes a clean VM.
- Google Chrome downloaded onto the VM.

### Clone the repository

```
~$ sudo apt update && sudo apt install git -y
~$ git clone https://gitlab.com/ekisac10/vicsort2.0.git
~$ cd vicsort2.0
```

### Run Initial Setup

```
~$ sudo bash scripts/setup.sh
```

## Gunicorn Manager

- Start in background  
~\$ `./scripts/gunicorn_manager.sh start`
- Status / PID  
~\$ `./scripts/gunicorn_manager.sh status`
- Error log. Also great for monitoring Docker install progress  
~\$ `./scripts/gunicorn_manager.sh logs`
- Access log  
~\$ `./scripts/gunicorn_manager.sh logs access`
- Foreground (for live debugging)  
~\$ `./scripts/gunicorn_manager.sh foreground`
- Stop / Restart  
~\$ `./scripts/gunicorn_manager.sh stop`  
~\$ `./scripts/gunicorn_manager.sh restart`  
~\$ `sudo bash scripts/setup.sh`

## Factory I/O

- Separate Microsoft Windows based VM
- Ensure Factory I/O is running and configured for Modbus TCP Server mode.
- Note its IP address and Modbus TCP port.
- In VICSORT 2.0, configure OpenPLC to connect to the Factory I/O instance.



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## Running the VICSORT testbed

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## Create First Environment

Create New Environment → Create Blank Environment

### Blank Environment Details

Env Name \*

Description

Network Name

HMI Type

HMI Name

PLC Name

OpenPLC Editor Name



```
~$ bash ./scripts/gunicorn_manager.sh logs
```

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## Access First Environment

Environment Name: WaterTank  
Description:

[Access Environment](#) [Delete](#)

### Environment: WaterTank

Below is the current deployment summary for your environment.

Components	Image	Ports (Container: host)	Container ID
PLC	openplc/latest	8080/tcp: 8080 9090/tcp: 9090	a13d29825d
PLC Editor	vicoplcopenplc-editor:web:latest	9090/tcp: 6080	a208d8c8d9
Attacker	karmon0x0x-desktop:latest	8801/tcp: 6901	472584c9923
HMI (FUXA)	hmguiopenplc:latest	1881/tcp: 1881	691a0e0c032

PLC | [PLC Editor](#) | [HMI](#) | [Attacker](#) | [Factory IO](#) | [Deploy Log](#)

**Current Container Status: Up 45 minutes**

When "Stop PLC" is clicked, please allow some time for the Container to be stopped. You will be notified when its been successfully stopped.

If prompted for credentials, the default PLC credentials are:

username: openplc  
password: openplc

[Start PLC](#) [Stop PLC](#) [Access PLC UI](#)

NOTE: OpenPLC UI's browser upload flow can submit a POST request without the required CSRF token. This VICSORT option uploads via a server side proxy so CSRF is handled correctly. The server logs into OpenPLC with the default credentials (openplc / openplc) for that upload only. Program name and description can be set later in the OpenPLC UI if needed.

Select a file  
Browse... No file selected.

[Upload PLC Program](#)

If you click a file then `openplc@openplc:~$` that was saved or built from OpenPLC Editor (VNC), it may be owned by root on the VM. Server-side uploads (Import/Export) and tools that read the path require the file to be owned by your logged user. Fix with a `cp --chown $(whoami) $(cat /dev/urandom | tr -dc 'a-z0-9' | fold -n 40 | xargs printf '%s\n') > /tmp/.Xauthority`. The browser upload flow copies bytes into a temp file owned by the web app, so it will work once the browser can read the file.

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# PLC

PLC | PLC Editor | HMI | Attacker | Factory IO | Deploy Log

**Current Container Status: Up 47 minutes**

When "Stop PLC" is clicked, Please allow some time for the Container to be stopped.  
You will be notified when its been successfully stopped

If prompted for credentials, the default PLC credentials are:

- username: openplc
- password: openplc

Start PLC | Stop PLC | Access PLC UI

**NOTE:** OpenPLC v3's browser upload flow can submit a POST request without the required CSRF token. This VICSORT option uploads via a server-side proxy so CSRF is handled correctly. The server logs into OpenPLC with the default credentials (openplc / openplc) for that upload only. Program name and description can be set later in the OpenPLC UI if needed.

Select a .st file  
Browse... No file selected.  
Upload PLC Program

If you pick a file from ~/openplc3/bin/... that was saved or built from OpenPLC Editor (VNC), it may be owned by root on the VM. Server-side uploads (import/Deploy and tools that read that path) require the file to be owned by your login user. Fix with e.g. sudo chown \$USER:\$GROUP path/to/file.st. The browser upload here copies bytes into a temp file owned by the web app, so it still works once the browser can read the file.

# Kali Linux

PLC | PLC Editor | HMI | Attacker | Factory IO | Deploy Log

**Current Container Status: Up 1 minutes**

When "Stop Attacker" is clicked, Please allow some time for the Container to be stopped.  
You will be notified when its been successfully stopped

If prompted for credentials, the credentials are:

- username: kasm\_user
- password: password

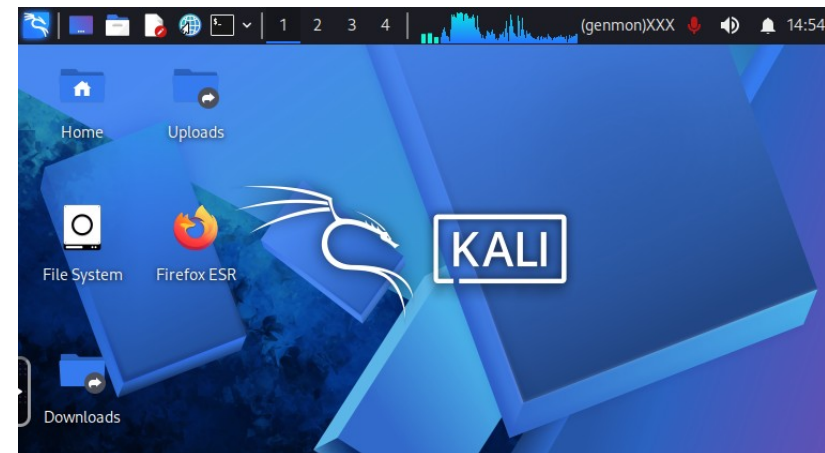
Persistent storage mounted at: /home/shared\_folder  
Host directory: ~/Kali\_Container\_Files

Start Attacker | Stop Attacker | Access Attacker UI

# Reconnaisance



# Kali Linux



## Wireshark



## Wireshark

## tshark

## tshark

```

default:~$ tshark -D
1. eth0
2. any
3. lo (Loopback)
4. bluetooth-monitor
5. nfdog
6. nfdqueue
7. dbus-system
8. dbus-session
9. ciscodump (Cisco remote capture)
10. dpauxmon (DisplayPort AUX channel monitor capture)
11. randpkt (Random packet generator)
12. sdjournal (systemd Journal Export)
13. sshdig (SSH remote syscall capture)
14. sshdump (SSH remote capture)
15. udpdump (UDP Listener remote capture)
16. wifidump (Wi-Fi remote capture)

default:~$ tshark -F pcap -v > ~/tshark_out.pcap
Capturing on 'eth0'
903 ^C [Control+C]
default:~$
    
```

## tshark



```
default:~$ head -20 ~/tshark_out.pcap
Frame 1: Packet, 110 bytes on wire (880 bits), 110 bytes captured (880 bits)
on interface eth0, id 0
Section number: 1
Interface id: 0 (eth0)
Interface name: eth0
Encapsulation type: Ethernet (1)
Arrival Time: Apr 3, 2026 15:10:34.161889543 UTC
UTC Arrival Time: Apr 3, 2026 15:10:34.161889543 UTC
Epoch Arrival Time: 1775229034.161889543
[Time shift for this packet: 0.000000000 seconds]
[Time since reference or first frame: 0.000000000 seconds]
Frame Number: 1
Frame Length: 110 bytes (880 bits)
Capture Length: 110 bytes (880 bits)
[Frame is marked: False]
[Frame is ignored: False]
[Protocols in frame: eth: ethertype:ip:tcp:tls]
Character encoding: ASCII (0)
Ethernet II, Src: b6:67:07:fb:5d:d8 (b6:67:07:fb:5d:d8), Dst: 7e:e3:58:83:5b:
1e (7e:e3:58:83:5b:1e)
Destination: 7e:e3:58:83:5b:1e (7e:e3:58:83:5b:1e)
.... LG bit: Locally administered address
( this is NOT the factory default)
```

## Netdiscover

## netdiscover



```
default:~$ sudo netdiscover -i eth0 -r 172.20.0.0/16

Currently scanning: Finished! | Screen View: Unique Hosts
2 Captured ARP Req/Rep packets, from 2 hosts. Total size: 84

-----
IP           At MAC Address      Count  Len  MAC Vendor / Hostname
-----
172.20.0.2   16:ee:df:9d:2f:7d   1      42  Unknown vendor
172.20.0.3   72:23:f9:f6:77:80   1      42  Unknown vendor
```

## p0f

- Fingerprinting technique



```
default:~$ p0f -i eth0 -d -o /root/p0f-output.txt
--- p0f 3.09b by Michal Zalewski <lcamtuf@coredump.cx> ---

[!] Consider specifying -u in daemon mode (see README).
[+] Closed 1 file descriptor.
[+] Loaded 322 signatures from '/etc/p0f/p0f.fp'.
[+] Intercepting traffic on interface 'eth0'.
[+] Default packet filtering configured [+VLAN].
[+] Log file '/home/kasm-user/p0f-output.txt' opened for writing.
[+] Daemon process created, PID 24646 (stderr not kept).

Good luck, you're on your own now!

default:~$ ps -ef | grep p0f

root      24646      1  0 16:35 ?        00:00:00 p0f -i eth0 -d -o /home/kasm-
user/p0f-output.txt
kasm-us+  24769    24032  0 16:38 pts/3    00:00:00 grep p0f
```

- Fingerprinting technique



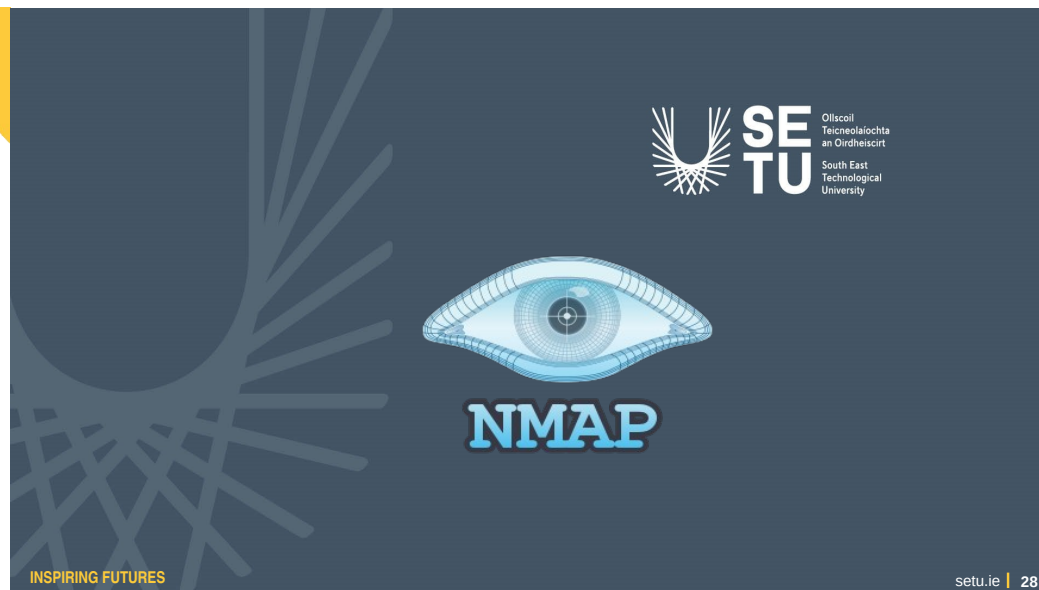
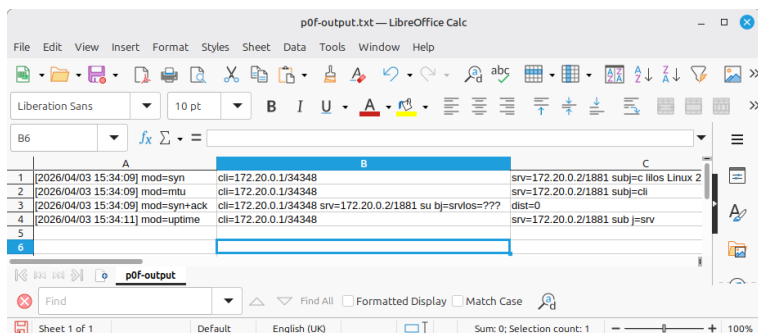
```
default:~$ sudo tail -f ~/p0f-output.txt
2026/04/03 15:34:09] mod=syn|cli=172.20.0.1/34348|srv=172.20.0
.2/1881 subj=c lilos Linux 2.2.x-3.x dist=0|params=generic|raw
_sig=4:64+0:0:1460:mss*44,10:m ss,sok,ts,nop,ws:df,id+:0
[2026/04/03 15:34:09] mod=mtu|cli=172.20.0.1/34348|srv=172.20.0
.2/1881 subj=cli|link=Ethernet or modem|raw_mtu=1500
[2026/04/03 15:34:09] mod=syn+ack|cli=172.20.0.1/34348 srv=172
.20.0.2/1881 su bj=svrlos=???|dist=0|params=none|raw_sig=4:64
+0:0:1460:mss*45,10:mss,sok,ts,n op,ws:df:0
[2026/04/03 15:34:09] mod=mtu|cli=172.20.0.1/34348 srv=172.20
.0.2/1881 subj=svr|link=Ethernet or modem|raw_mtu=1500
[2026/04/03 15:34:11] mod=uptime|cli=172.20.0.1/34348|srv=172
.20.0.2/1881 sub j=svr|uptime=43 days 6 hrs 46 min (modulo 49 days)|raw_freq=1000.00 Hz

default:~$ sudo kill -SIGKILL 24646

default:~$ ps -ef | grep p0f

default:~$ ps -ef | grep p0f
kasm-us+  25922    24032  0 16:38 pts/3    00:00:00 grep p0f
```

- Fingerprinting technique



## NMAP

- Network Mapper



```
default:~$ nmap -sn 172.20.0.0/16 --exclude 172.20.0.4

Starting Nmap 7.98 (https://nmap.org) at 2026-04-03 16:01 +0000
Nmap scan report for vicsort2-VirtualBox.local (172.20.0.1)
Host is up (0.000056s latency).
MAC Address: 7E:E3:58:83:5B:1E (Unknown)
Nmap scan report for Water_Tank_fuxa. Water_Tank_network (172.20.0.2)
Host is up (0.000024s latency).
MAC Address: 16:EE:DF:9D:2F:7D (Unknown)
Nmap scan report for Water_Tank_plc.Water_Tank_network (172.20.0.3)
Host is up (0.00012s latency).
MAC Address: 72:23:F9:F6:77:80 (Unknown)
```

## NMAP Options

- sn: Ping Scan - disable port scan.
- A: Enable OS detection, version detection, script scanning, and traceroute.
- T<0-5>: Set timing template (higher is faster).
- p: Only scan specified ports.
- p-: Scan for all 65,535 open ports on a target.
- v: Increase verbosity level (use -vv or more for greater effect)

## NMAP



```
default:~$ nmap -v -sn 172.20.0.2

Starting Nmap 7.98 (https://nmap.org) at 2026-04-03 16:04 +0000
Initiating ARP Ping Scan at 16:04
Scanning 172.20.0.2 [1 port]
Completed ARP Ping Scan at 16:04, 0.01s elapsed (1 total hosts)
Initiating Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host. at 16:04
Completed Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host. at 16:04, 0.00s elapsed
Nmap scan report for Water_Tank_fuxa.Water_Tank_network (172.20.0.2)
Host is up (0.000050s latency).
MAC Address: 16:EE:DF:9D:2F:7D (Unknown)
Read data files from: /usr/share/nmap
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.12 seconds Raw packets sent: 1 (28B) |
Rcvd: 1 (28B)
```

## NMAP



```
default:~$ nmap -v -sn 172.20.0.3

Starting Nmap 7.98 (https://nmap.org) at 2026-04-03 16:05 +0000
Initiating ARP Ping Scan at 16:05
Scanning 172.20.0.3 [1 port]
Completed ARP Ping Scan at 16:05, 0.01s elapsed (1 total hosts)
Initiating Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host. at 16:05
Completed Parallel DNS resolution of 1 host. at 16:05, 0.00s elapsed
Nmap scan report for Water_Tank_plc.Water_Tank_network (172.20.0.3)
Host is up (0.000061s latency).
MAC Address: 72:23:F9:F6:77:80 (Unknown)
Read data files from: /usr/share/nmap
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.12 seconds Raw packets sent: 1 (28B) |
Rcvd: 1 (28B)
```

# NMAP



```

default:~$ nmap -A -T4 -p- 172.20.0.2
Starting Nmap 7.98 (https://nmap.org) at 2026-04-03 16:07 +0000
Nmap scan report for Water_Tank_fuxa.Water_Tank_network (172.20.0.2)
Host is up (0.00014s latency).
Not shown: 65534 closed tcp ports (reset)
PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
1881/tcp  open  http      Node.js Express framework
|_http-title: FUXA
MAC Address: 16:EE:DF:9D:2F:7D (Unknown)
Device type: general purpose
Running: Linux 4.X15.X
OS CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel: 4 cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:5
OS details: Linux 4.15.19
Network Distance: 1 hop

TRACEROUTE
HOP  RTT      ADDRESS
1    0.14 ms  Water_Tank_fuxa.Water_Tank_network (172.20.0.2)

OS and Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at
https://nmap.org/submit/.
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 15.50 seconds
    
```

# NMAP



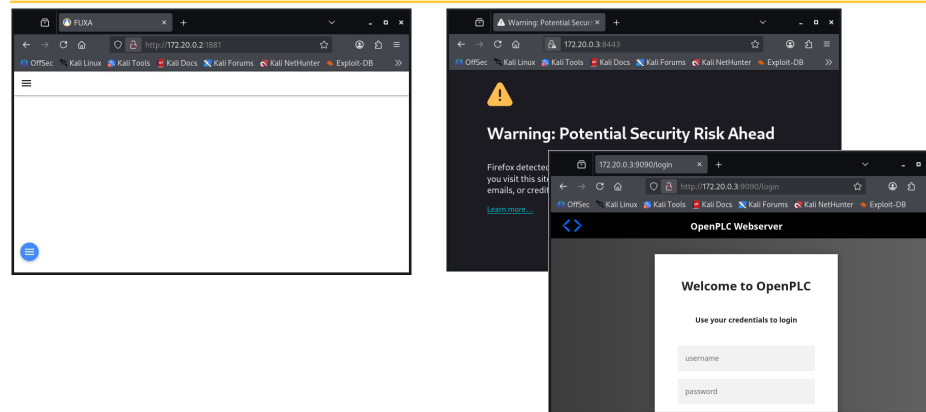
```

default:~$ nmap -A -T4 -p- 172.20.0.3
Starting Nmap 7.98 (https://nmap.org) at 2026-04-03 16:08 +0000
Nmap scan report for Water_Tank_plc.Water_Tank_network (172.20.0.3)
Host is up (0.00011s latency).
Not shown: 65533 closed tcp ports (reset)
PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
8443/tcp  open  ssl/http Werkzeug httpd 2.3.7 (Python 3.10.12)
|_ssl-date: TLS randomness does not represent time
|_ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=localhost
| Subject Alternative Name: DNS:localhost, IP Address: 127.0.0.1
| Not valid before: 2026-04-02T19:52:12
|_Not valid after: 2126-03-09T19:52:12
9090/tcp  open  http      Werkzeug httpd 2.3.7 (Python 3.10.12)
|_http-server-header: Werkzeug/2.3.7 Python/3.10.12
| http-title: Site doesn't have a title (text/html; charset=utf-8).
|_Requested resource was /login
MAC Address: 72:23:F9:F6:77:80 (Unknown)
Device type: general purpose
Running: Linux 4.X15.X
OS CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel: 4 cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel:5
OS details: Linux 4.15 5.19
Network Distance: 1 hop
TRACEROUTE
HOP  RTT      ADDRESS
1    0.11 ms  Water_Tank_plc.Water_Tank_network (172.20.0.3)
OS and Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at
https://nmap.org/submit/.
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 47.17 seconds
    
```

# NMAP

IP Address	Port	Service	Software/Platform	Role
172.20.0.2	1881	HTTP	FUXA (Node.js)	Visualisation / Dashboard
172.20.0.3	8443	HTTPS	Werkzeug (Python)	Secure Admin/API
172.20.0.3	9090	HTTP	Werkzeug (Python)	Web Login / Management

# Browse to the ports indicated from NMAP scans



## Nikto

## Nikto

- Scan web servers for known vulnerabilities

```
default:~$ sudo apt purge nikto
default:~$ sudo apt install nikto
default:~$ nikto -host 172.20.0.3 -port 9090
+ Target IP:      172.20.0.3
+ Target Hostname: 172.20.0.3
+ Target Port:    9090
+ Platform:      Unknown
+ Start Time:    2026-04-03 23:04:31 (GMT0)
-----
+ Server: Werkzeug/2.3.7 Python/3.10.12
+ No CGI Directories found (use -C all' to force check all possible dirs). C GI tests
skipped.
+ [013587]/: Suggested security header missing: referrer-policy. See: https:
//developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/HTTP/Headers/Referrer-Policy
.....
```



## metasploit

## Metasploit Framework

- Metasploit Framework is a penetration testing framework from Rapid7 and has the following key characteristics:
  - **Comprehensive Testing:** provides extensive options for penetration testing, helping identify vulnerabilities in systems and networks.
  - **Exploit Development:** aids in developing and testing exploits for identified vulnerabilities, enhancing system security.
  - **Payload Crafting:** users can create payloads to gain control over compromised systems, providing a deeper understanding of potential threats.
  - **Post-Exploitation Tools:** includes tools for extracting valuable data and maintaining access after a successful breach.
  - **Network Analysis:** offers capabilities to analyse network structures and identify potential entry points for securing the network.

## Metasploit Framework

- To get started with metasploit install the **metasploit-framework**.

```
default:~$ sudo apt update
```

- Start the Postgresql Database.

```
default:~$ service postgresql status
```

```
18/main (port 5432): down
```

```
default:~$ sudo service postgresql start
```

```
Starting PostgreSQL 18 database server: main.
```

## Metasploit Framework

- Reinitialise the database.

```
default:~$ sudo msfdb reinit
```

```
[+] Starting database
```

```
[+] Deleting configuration file
```

```
[i] Database already stopped
```

```
[+] Starting database
```

```
[+] Creating database user 'msf'
```

```
[+] Creating databases 'msf'
```

```
[+] Creating databases 'msf_test'
```

```
[+] Creating configuration file  
'/usr/share/metasploit-framework/config/database.yml'
```

```
[+] Creating initial database schema
```

## Metasploit Framework

- Start the database.

```
default:~$ sudo msfdb reinit
```

```
[+] Starting database
```

```
[i] The database appears to be already configured, skipping  
initialization
```

- Check the postgresql database.

```
default:~$ sudo msfdb status
```

```
[i] No network service running
```

```
[+] Detected configuration file  
(/usr/share/metasploit-framework/config/database.yml)
```

## Metasploit Console

```
default:~$ msfconsole
```

```
Metasploit tip: When in a module, use back to go back to the top level prompt
```

```
=[ metasploit v6.4.124-dev ]  
+ -- --=[ 2,632 exploits - 1,328 auxiliary - 1,707 payloads ]  
+ -- --=[ 431 post - 49 encoders - 14 nops - 12 evasion ]
```

```
Metasploit Documentation: https://docs.metasploit.com/  
The Metasploit Framework as a Rapid7 Open Source Project
```

```
msf >
```

## Keep Metasploit Updated

```
default:~$ sudo apt update; sudo apt install metasploit-framework
```

## Metasploit using nmap

- **nmap** exists as a module within **metasploit**, use it to get a list of IP addresses on the network. Note that this command will take some time, go for a tea break perhaps?
  - Pn**: Treat all hosts as online -- skip host discovery.
  - sS**: Use the TCP SYN scan technique.
  - A**: Enable OS detection, version detection, script scanning, and traceroute.
  - oX netscan**: Output as eXtensible Markup Language (XML) to the file **netscan**.

## Metasploit using nmap

```
msf > nmap -Pn -sS -A -OX netscan.xml 172.20.0.0/29 --exclude 172.20.0.4  
[*] exec: nmap -Pn -sS -A -OX netscan.xml 172.20.0.0/29 --exclude 172.20.0.4
```

```
Starting Nmap 7.98 (https://nmap.org) at 2026-04-11 06:43 +0000  
Nmap scan report for vicsort2-VirtualBox.local (172.20.0.1)  
Host is up (0.000099s latency).  
Not shown: 996 closed tcp ports (reset)  
PORT      STATE SERVICE          VERSION  
6901/tcp  open  ssl/jetstream?  
| ssl-cert: Subject:  
commonName=kasm/organizationName=None/stateOrProvinceName=VA/countryName=US  
| Not valid before: 2026-04-11T05:48:11  
|_Not valid after: 2036-04-08T05:48:11  
|_ssl-date: TLS randomness does not represent time  
.....
```

## Metasploit using nmap

- Import the retrieved data, in the XML file, into Metasploit

```
msf > db_import netscan.xml  
[*] Importing 'Nmap XML' data  
[*] Import: Parsing with 'Nokogiri v1.14.5'  
[*] Importing host 172.20.0.1  
[*] Importing host 172.20.0.2  
[*] Importing host 172.20.0.3  
[*] Successfully imported /root/netscan.xml
```

## Metasploit using nmap

```
msf > hosts
```

```
Hosts  
=====
```

address	mac	name	os_name	os_flavor	os_sp	purpose
172.20.0.1	52:7f:8a:cd:e1:63	vicsort2-VirtualBox.local	Linux	4.X	server	
172.20.0.2	42:5c:72:48:cd:80	Water_Tank_fuxa.Water_Tank_network	Unknown		device	
172.20.0.3	ba:d0:f6:20:21:2d	Water_Tank_plc.Water_Tank_network	Linux	4.X	server	

```
msf > hosts -o /home/kasm-user/scanned_hosts.csv
```

```
[*] Wrote hosts to /home/kasm-user/scanned_hosts.csv
```

## Metasploit using nmap

```
default:~$ cat /home/kasm-user/scanned_hosts.csv
```

```
address,mac, name, os_name,os_flavor, os_sp, purpose, info,comments  
"172.20.0.1", "52:7f:8a:cd:e1:63", "vicsort2-VirtualBox.local",  
"Linux","", "4.X", "server"  
"172.20.0.2", "42:5c:72:48:cd:80", "Water_Tank_fuxa.  
Water_Tank_network", "Unknown","", "", "device"  
" 172.20.0.3", "ba:d0:f6:a0:21:2d",  
"Water_Tank_plc.Water_Tank_network", "Linux","", "4.X", "server"  
default:~$
```

## Metasploit using nmap

```
msf > services
```

```
Services  
=====
```

host	port	proto	name	state	info
172.20.0.1	6901	tcp	ssl/jetstream	open	
172.20.0.1	8000	tcp	tcpwrapped	open	
172.20.0.1	8080	tcp	http	open	Apache Tomcat language: en
172.20.0.1	9090	tcp	http	open	Werkzeug httpd 2.3.7 Python 3.10.12
172.20.0.3	8443	tcp	ssl/http	open	Werkzeug httpd 2.3.7 Python 3.10.12
172.20.0.3	9090	tcp	http	open	Werkzeug httpd 2.3.7 Python 3.10.12

```
msf > services -o /home/kasm-user/scanned_services.csv
```

```
[*] Wrote hosts to /home/kasm-user/scanned_services.csv
```

## Metasploit using nmap

```
default:~$ cat /home/kasm-user/scanned_hosts.csv
```

```
host, port, proto, name, state, info, resource, parents  
"172.20.0.1", "6901", "tcp", "ssl/jetstream", "open",  
"172.20.0.1", "8000", "tcp", "tcpwrapped", "open","", "{}"  
" 172.20.0.1", "8080", "tcp", "http", "open", "Apache Tomcat language:  
en", "{}","", "172.20.0.1", "9090", "tcp", "http", "open", "Werkzeug httpd  
2.3.7 Python 3.10.12", "{}", ""  
"172.20.0.3", "8443", "tcp", "ssl/http", "open", "Werkzeug httpd  
2.3.7 Python 3.10.12", "" "" "172.20.0.3", "9090", "tcp", "http",  
"open", "Werkzeug httpd 2.3.7 Python 3.10.12", "{}",
```

## Searching for Modules

- A core functionality of the Metasploit Framework is its extension via modules.
- To hunt for specific modules use the command format:

```
msf > search <search-term>
```

- Replace **<search-term>** with relevant keywords or terms.

## Searching for Modules

- For example, to find exploits associated with port scanning:

```
msf > search portscan
```

```
Matching Modules
```

```
=====
```

#	Name	Disclosure Date	Rank	Check	Description
0	auxiliary/scanner/portscan/ftpbounce		normal	No	FTP Bounce Port Scanner
1	auxiliary/scanner/natpmp/natpmp_portscan		normal	No	NAT-PMP External Port Scanner
2	auxiliary/scanner/sap/sap_router_portscanner		normal	No	SAPRouter Port Scanner
3	auxiliary/scanner/portscan/xmas		normal	No	TCP "XMas" Port Scanner
4	auxiliary/scanner/portscan/ack		normal	No	TCP ACK Firewall Scanner
5	auxiliary/scanner/portscan/tcp		normal	No	TCP Port Scanner
6	auxiliary/scanner/portscan/syn		normal	No	TCP SYN Port Scanner
7	auxiliary/scanner/http/wordpress_pingback_access		normal	No	Wordpress Pingback Locator

Interact with a module by name or index. For example **info 7**, **use 7** or use **auxiliary/scanner/http/wordpress\_pingback\_access**

## Searching for Modules

- After identifying a desired module, activate it with the following command: use <number | exploit-name>

```
msf > use 6
```

```
msf auxiliary(scanner/portscan/tcp) >
```

## Configuring Module Parameters

- Before deploying a module, adjusting specific parameters, such as target IP, port, or chosen payload, is often necessary.
- List a module's configurable options:

```
msf auxiliary(scanner/portscan/tcp) > show options
```

```
Module options (auxiliary/scanner/portscan/tcp):
```

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
CONCURRENCY	10	yes	The number of concurrent ports to check per host
DELAY	0	yes	The delay between connections, per thread, in ms
JITTER	0	yes	The delay jitter factor (maximum value by which to +/-)
PORTS	8443,9090	yes	Ports to scan (e.g. 22-25,80,110-900)
RHOSTS	172.20.0.3	yes	The target host(s), see <a href="https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html">https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html</a>
THREADS	50	yes	The number of concurrent threads (max one per host)
TIMEOUT	1000	yes	The socket connect timeout in ms

View the full module info with the **info**, or **info -d** command.

## Execute the Module

```
msf auxiliary(scanner/portscan/tcp) > run
[+] 172.20.0.3:      - 172.20.0.3:9090 - TCP OPEN
[+] 172.20.0.3:      - 172.20.0.3:8443 - TCP OPEN
[*] 172.20.0.3:      - Scanned 1 of 1 hosts (100% complete)
[*] Auxiliary module execution completed
```

## Learning objectives

- Carry out a reconnaissance on the VICSORT2 Operational Technology Simulation. ✓



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