# Scanning Networks

Module 03











## Module Objectives

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- Banner Grabbing
- Vulnerability Scanning
- Drawing Network Diagrams

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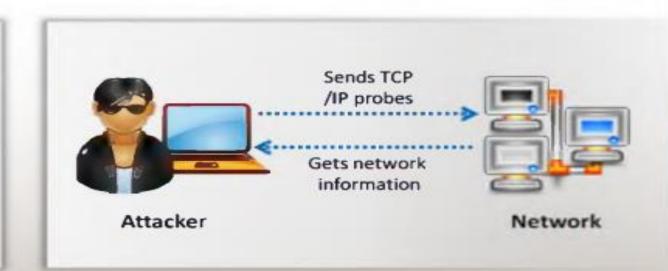






## Overview of Network Scanning

- Network scanning refers to a set of procedures for identifying hosts, ports, and services in a network
- Network scanning is one of the components of intelligence gathering an attacker uses to create a profile of the target organization



### **Objectives of Network Scanning**

To discover live hosts, IP address, and open ports of live hosts



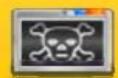
To discover operating systems and system architecture



To discover services running on hosts



To discover vulnerabilities in live hosts



## Scanning Methodology



# Checking for Live Systems - ICIMP Scanning

- Ping scan involves sending ICMP ECHO requests to a host. If the host is live, it will return an ICMP ECHO reply
- This scan is useful for locating active devices or determining if ICMP is passing through a firewall



## The ping scan output using Nmap:



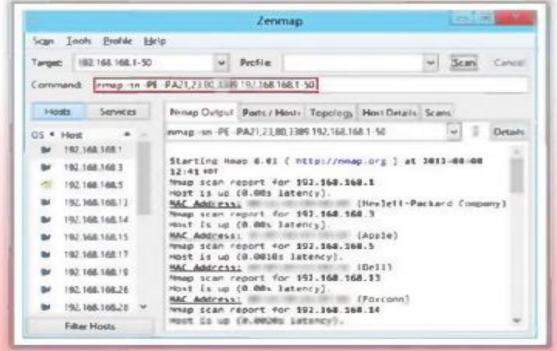


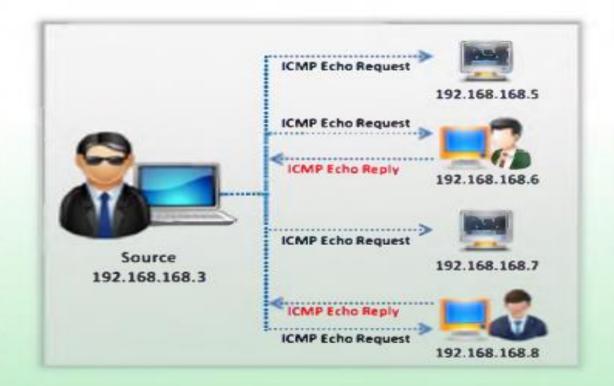
## Ping Sweep

- Ping sweep is used to determine the live hosts from a range of IP addresses by sending ICMP ECHO requests to multiple hosts. If a host is live, it will return an ICMP ECHO reply
- Attackers calculate subnet masks using Subnet Mask Calculators to identify the number of hosts present in the subnet
- Attackers then use ping sweep to create an inventory of live systems in the subnet



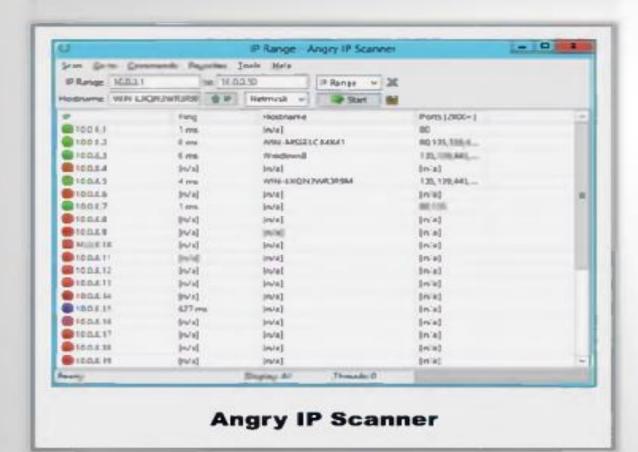
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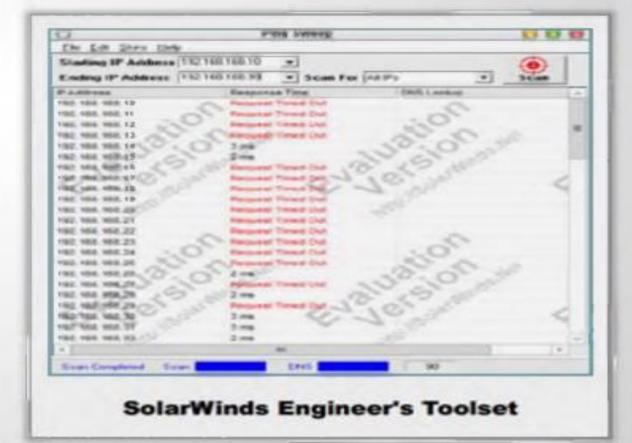


## Ping Sweep Tools

Angry IP Scanner pings each IP address to check if it's alive, then optionally resolves its hostname, determines the MAC address, scans ports, etc.



SolarWinds Engineer Toolset's Ping Sweep enables scanning a range of IP addresses to identify which IP addresses are in use and which ones are currently free. It also performs reverse DNS lookup.



## Ping Sweep Tools

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Colasoft Ping Tool

http://www.colosoft.com



PacketTrap MSP

http://www.packettrap.com



Visual Ping Tester - Standard

http://www.pingtester.net



Ping Sweep

http://www.whatsupgold.com



Ping Scanner Pro

http://www.digilextechnologies.com



**Network Ping** 

http://www.greenline-soft.com



**Ultra Ping Pro** 

http://ultraping.webs.com



**Ping Monitor** 

http://www.niliand.com



PingInfoView

http://www.nirsoft.net



#### Pinkie

http://www.ipuptime.net

## Scanning Methodology

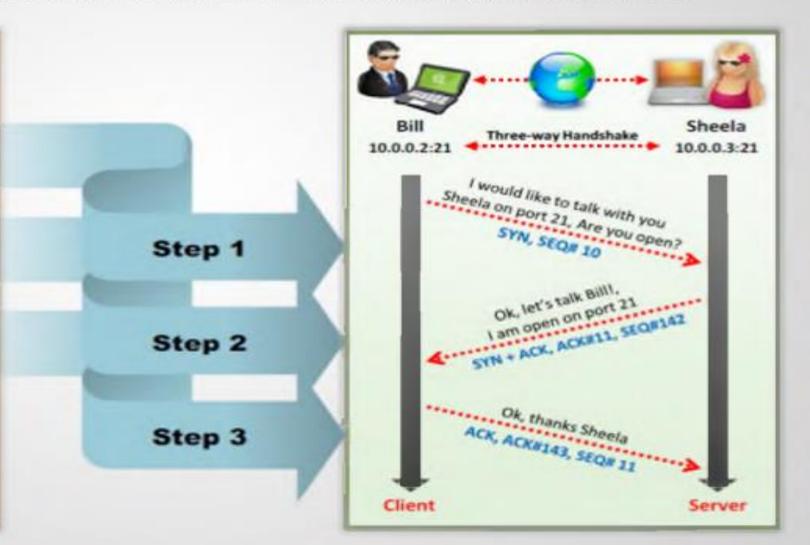


## Three-Way Handshake

TCP uses a three-way handshake to establish a connection between server and client

### Three-way Handshake Process

- The Computer A (10.0.0.2) initiates a connection to the server (10.0.0.3) via a packet with only the SYN flag set
- The server replies with a packet with both the SYN and the ACK flag set
- For the final step, the client responds back to the server with a single ACK packet
- If these three steps are completed without complication, then a TCP connection is established between the client and the server



## Scanning IPv6 Network

IPv6 increases the IP address size from 32 bits to 128 bits, to support more levels of addressing hierarchy

Traditional network scanning techniques will be computationally less feasible due to larger search space (64 bits of host address space or 2<sup>64</sup> addresses) provided by IPv6 in a subnet

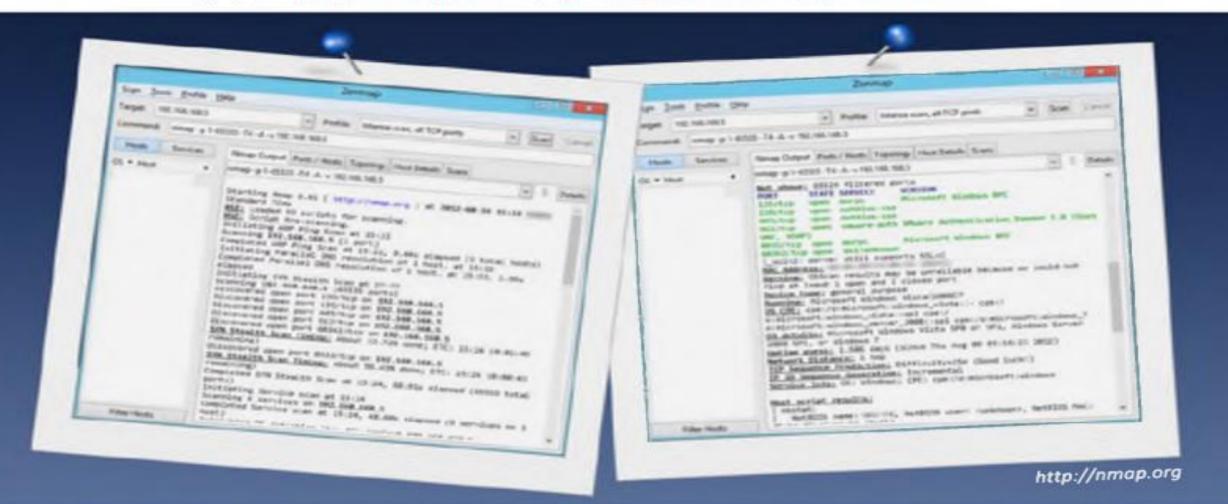
Scanning in IPv6 network is more difficult and complex than the IPv4 and also major scanning tools such as Nmap do not support ping sweeps on IPv6 networks

Attackers need to harvest IPv6 addresses from network traffic, recorded logs or Received from: and other header lines in archived email or Usenet news messages

Scanning IPv6 network, however, offers a large number of hosts in a subnet if an attacker can compromise one host in the subnet; attacker can probe the "all hosts" link local multicast address

## Scanning Tool: Nmap

- Network administrators can use Nmap for network inventory, managing service upgrade schedules, and monitoring host or service uptime
- Attacker uses Nmap to extract information such as live hosts on the network, services (application name and version), type of packet filters/firewalls, operating systems and OS versions



## Scanning Tools



PRTG Network Monitor

http://www.paessler.com



**Net Tools** 

http://mabsoft.com



IP Tools

http://www.ks-soft.net



MegaPing

http://www.magnetosoft.com



Network Inventory Explorer

http://www.10-strike.com



## Global Network Inventory Scanner

http://www.magnetosoft.com



#### SoftPerfect Network Scanner

http://www.softperfect.com



#### Advanced Port Scanner

http://www.radmin.com



#### Netifera

http://netifera.com



#### Free Port Scanner

http://www.nsauditor.com

## **Port Scanning Countermeasures**

Configure firewall and IDS rules to detect and block probes



Use custom rule set to lock down the network and block unwanted ports at the firewall

Hide sensitive information from public view



Filter all ICMP messages (i.e. inbound ICMP message types and outbound ICMP type 3 unreachable messages) at the firewalls and routers

Ensure that mechanism used for routing and filtering at the routers and firewalls respectively cannot be bypassed using particular source ports or source-routing methods



Perform TCP and UDP scanning along with ICMP probes against your organization's IP address space to check the network configuration and its available ports

Ensure that the router, IDS, and firewall firmware are updated to their latest releases



Ensure that the anti scanning and anti spoofing rules are configured

## **Banner Grabbing**

Banner grabbing or OS fingerprinting is the method to determine the operating system running on a remote target system. There are two types of banner grabbing: active and passive.



### **Active Banner Grabbing**

- Specially crafted packets are sent to remote OS and the response is noted
- The responses are then compared with a database to determine the OS
- Response from different OSes varies due to differences in TCP/IP stack implementation







### **Passive Banner Grabbing**

- Banner grabbing from error messages: Error messages provide information such as type of server, type of OS, and SSL tool used by the target remote system
- Sniffing the network traffic:
   Capturing and analyzing packets from the target enables an attacker to determine OS used by the remote system
- Banner grabbing from page extensions: Looking for an extension in the URL may assist in determining the application version Example: .aspx => IIS server and Windows platform

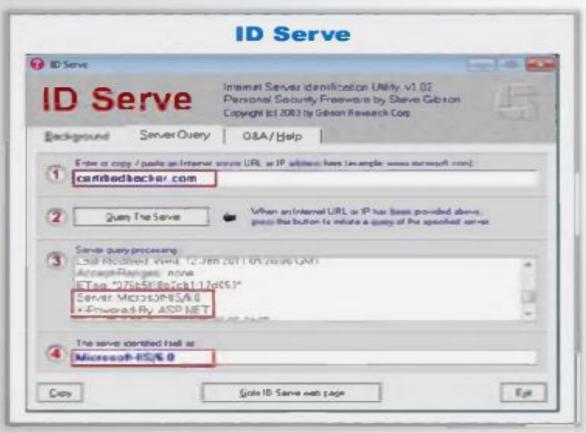
### Why Banner Grabbing?

Identifying the OS used on the target host allows an attacker to figure out the vulnerabilities the system posses and the exploits that might work on a system to further carry out additional attacks



## Banner Grabbing Tools

- ID Serve is used to identify the make, model, and version of any web site's server software
- It is also used to identify non-HTTP (non-web) Internet servers such as FTP, SMTP, POP, NEWS, etc.



Netcraft reports a site's operating system, web server, and netblock owner together with, if available, a graphical view of the time since last reboot for each of the computers serving the site



http://www.grc.com

## Banner Grabbing Tools

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## Netcat

This utility reads and writes data across network connections, using the TCP/IP protocol

- 1. # nc -vv www.juggyboy.com 80 press[Enter]
- 2. GET / HTTP/1.0 Press [Enter] twice

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### Teinet

This technique probes
HTTP servers to
determine the Server
field in the HTTP
response header

- 1. telnet www.certifiedhacker.com 80 press[Enter]
- 2. GET / HTTP/1.0 Press [Enter] twice



# Banner Grabbing Countermeasures: Disabling or Changing Banner



Display false banners to misguide the attackers



Turn off unnecessary services on the network host to limit the information disclosure



IIS users can use these tools to disable or change banner information

- IIS Lockdown Tool (http://microsoft.com)
- ServerMask (http://www.port80software.com)



Apache 2.x with mod\_headers module - use a directive in httpd.conf file to change banner information Headerset Server "New Server Name"



Alternatively, change the ServerSignature line to ServerSignature Off in httpd.conf file

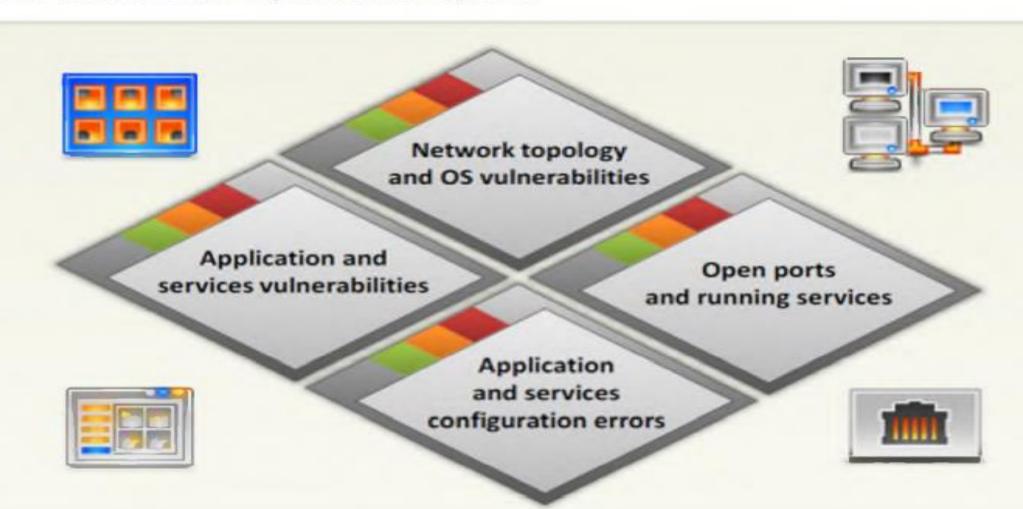
# Hiding File Extensions from Web Pages





## **Vulnerability Scanning**

Vulnerability scanning identifies vulnerabilities and weaknesses of a system and network in order to determine how a system can be exploited

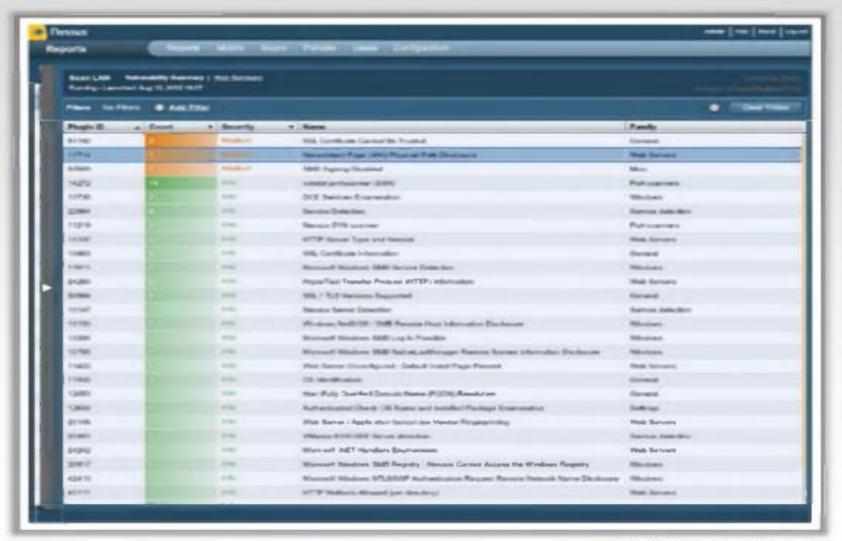


# Vulnerability Scanning Tool: Nessus

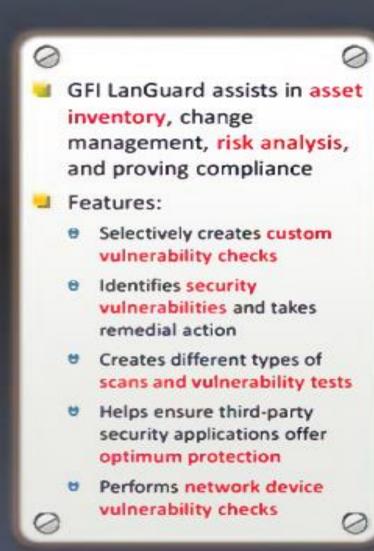
Nessus is the vulnerability and configuration assessment product

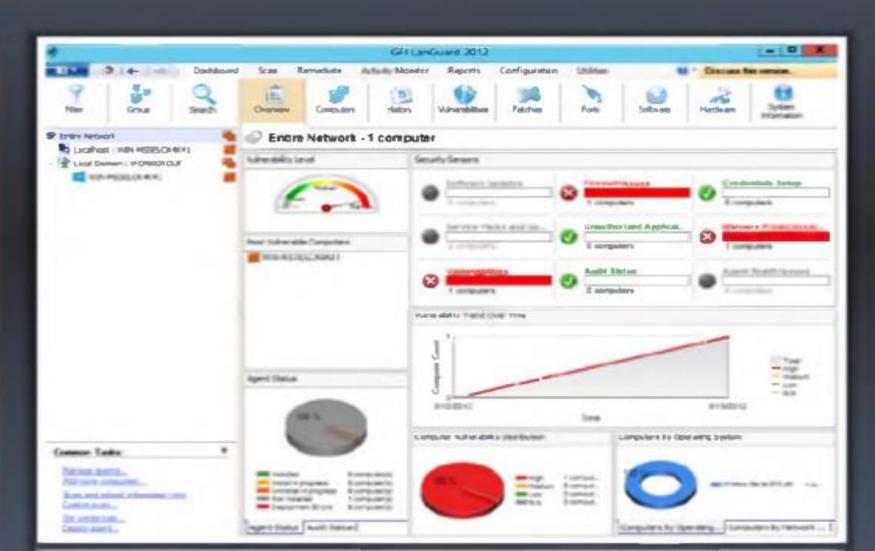
#### **Features**

- Agentless auditing
- Compliance checks
- Content audits
- Customized reporting
- High-speed vulnerability discovery
- In-depth assessments
- Mobile device audits
- Patch management integration
- Scan policy design and execution



# Vulnerability Scanning Tool: GFI LanGuard





## **Network Vulnerability Scanners**



Retina CS http://go.eeye.com



Core Impact Professional http://www.coresecurity.com



MBSA http://www.microsoft.com



Shadow Security Scanner
http://www.safety-lab.com



Nsauditor Network Security Auditor http://www.nsauditor.com



OpenVAS http://www.openvas.org



Security Manager Plus



Nexpose http://www.rapid7.com



QualysGuard http://www.qualys.com



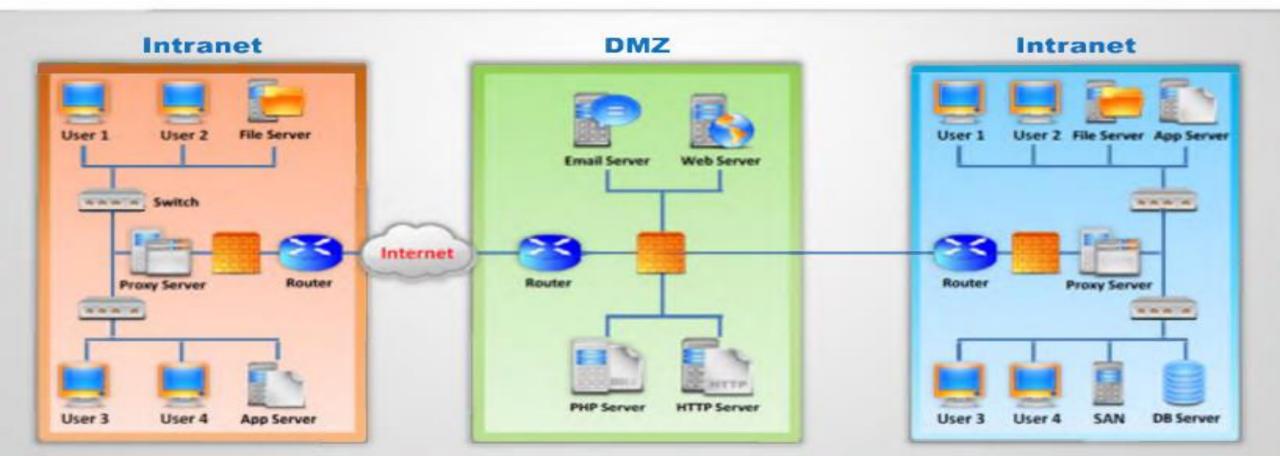
Security Auditor's Research
Assistant (SARA)
http://www-arc.com

## Scanning Methodology



## Drawing Network Diagrams

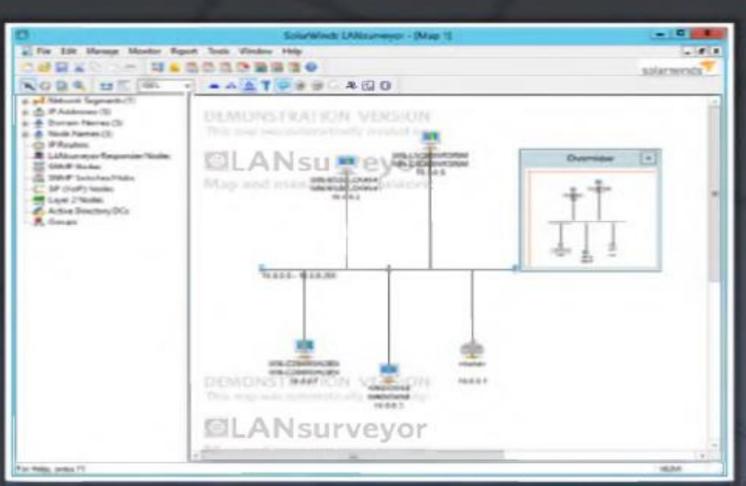
- Drawing target's network diagram gives valuable information about the network and its architecture to an attacker
- Network diagram shows logical or physical path to a potential target



# Network Discovery Tool: LANsurveyor

LANsurveyor discovers a network and produces a comprehensive network diagram that integrates OSI Layer 2 and Layer 3 topology data





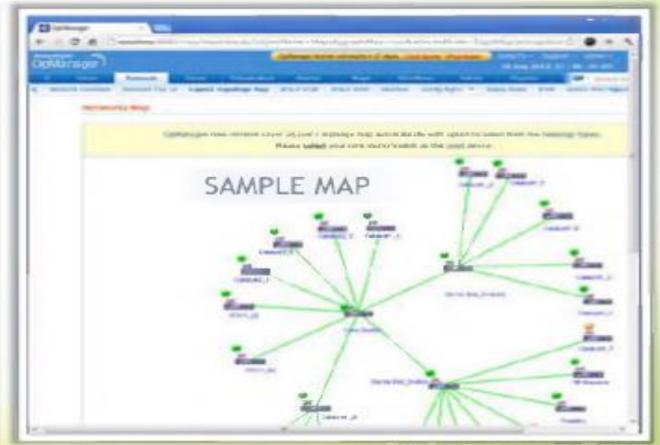
# Network Discovery Tool: OpManager

OpManager is a network monitoring software that offers advanced fault and performance management functionality across critical IT resources such as routers, WAN links, switches, firewalls, VoIP call paths, physical servers, virtual servers, domain controllers, and other IT infrastructure devices

### **Features**

- Availability and Uptime Monitoring
- Network Traffic Analysis
- IP Address Management
- Switch Port Mapper
- Network Performance Reporting
- Network Configuration Management
- Exchange Server Monitoring
- Active Directory Monitoring
- Hyper-V Monitoring
- SQL Server Monitoring

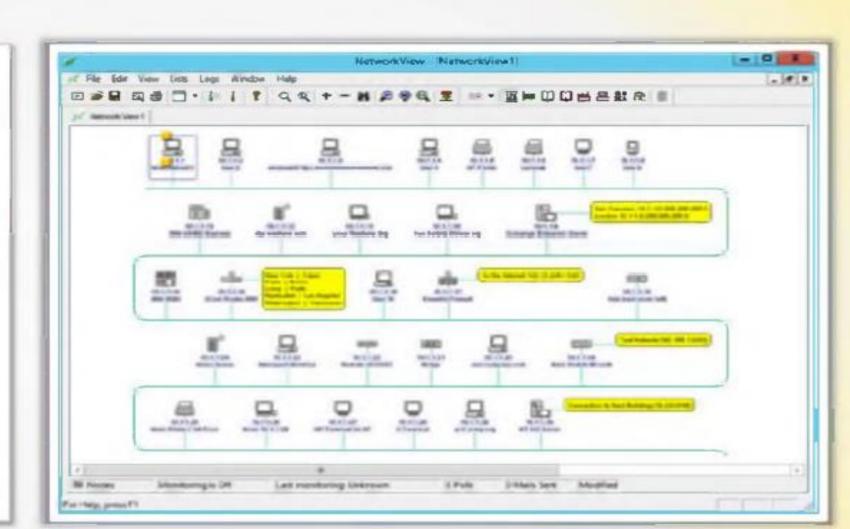




# Network Discovery Tool: Network View

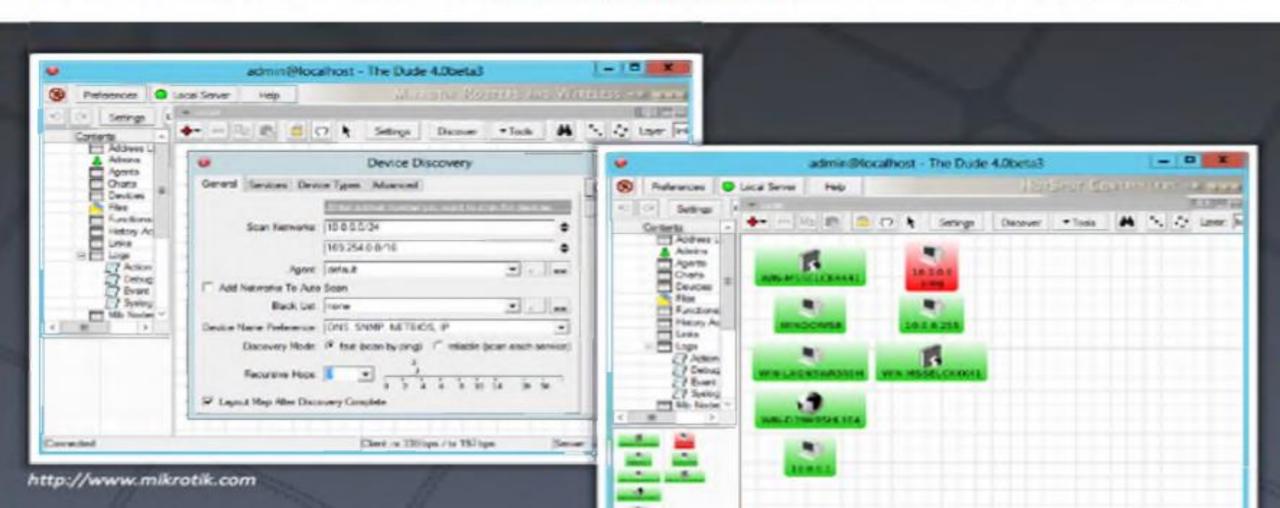
- NetworkView is a network discovery and management tool for Windows
- Discover TCP/IP nodes and routes using DNS, SNMP, ports, NetBIOS, and WMI





# Network Discovery Tool: The Dude

The Dude sniffer scans all devices within the specified subnets and draws a detailed layout map



# Network Discovery and Mapping Tools



**LANState** 

http://www.10-strike.com



FriendlyPinger

http://www.kilievich.com



Ipsonar

http://www.lumeta.com



CartoReso

http://cartoreso.campus.ecp.fr



Switch Center Enterprise

http://www.lan-secure.com



### HP Network Node Manager i Software

http://www8.hp.com



NetMapper

http://www.opnet.com



### NetBrain Enterprise Suite

http://www.netbraintech.com



Spiceworks-Network Mapper

http://www.spiceworks.com



#### NetCrunch

http://www.adremsoft.com

## Scanning Methodology



## **Proxy Servers**

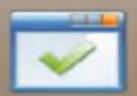
A proxy is a network computer that can serve as an intermediary for connecting with other computers



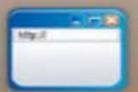


As a firewall, a proxy protects the local network from outside access As an IP addresses multiplexer, a proxy allows the connection of a number of computers to the Internet while having only one IP address



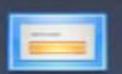


Specialized proxy servers can filter out unwanted content Proxy servers can be used (to some extent) to anonymize web surfing



## Why Attackers Use Proxy Servers?

To hide the source IP address so that an attacker can hack without any legal corollary



To mask the actual source of the attack by impersonating a fake source address of the proxy



To remotely access intranets and other website resources that are normally off limits



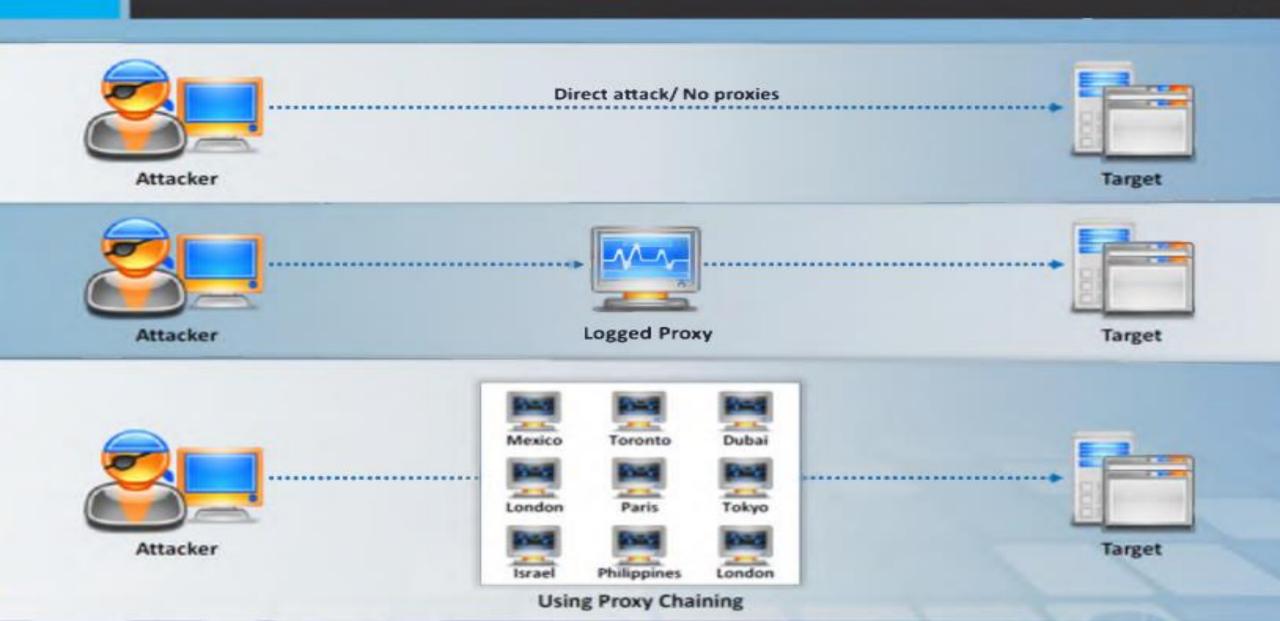
To interrupt all the requests sent by an attacker and transmit them to a third destination, hence victims will only be able to identify the proxy server address



5 Attackers chain multiple proxy servers to avoid detection



## Use of Proxies for Attack

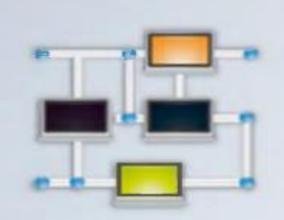


## **Proxy Chaining**





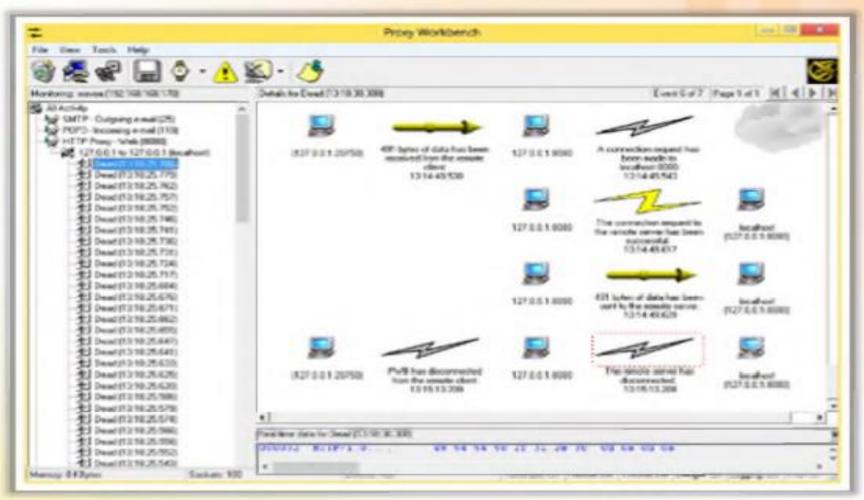
- 1. User requests a resource from the destination
- Proxy client at the user's system connects to a proxy server and passes the request to proxy server
- The proxy server strips the user's identification information and passes the request to next proxy server
- 4. This process is repeated by all the proxy servers in the chain
- 5. At the end unencrypted request is passed to the web server



## **Proxy Tool: Proxy Workbench**

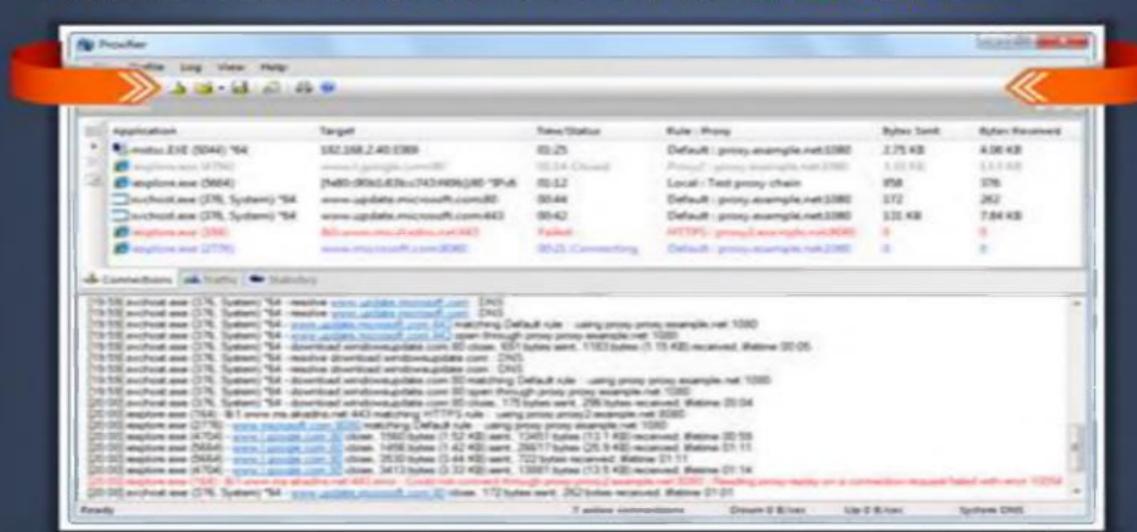
Proxy Workbench is a proxy server that displays data passing through it in real time, allows you to drill into particular TCP/IP connections, view their history, save the data to a file, and view the socket connection diagram





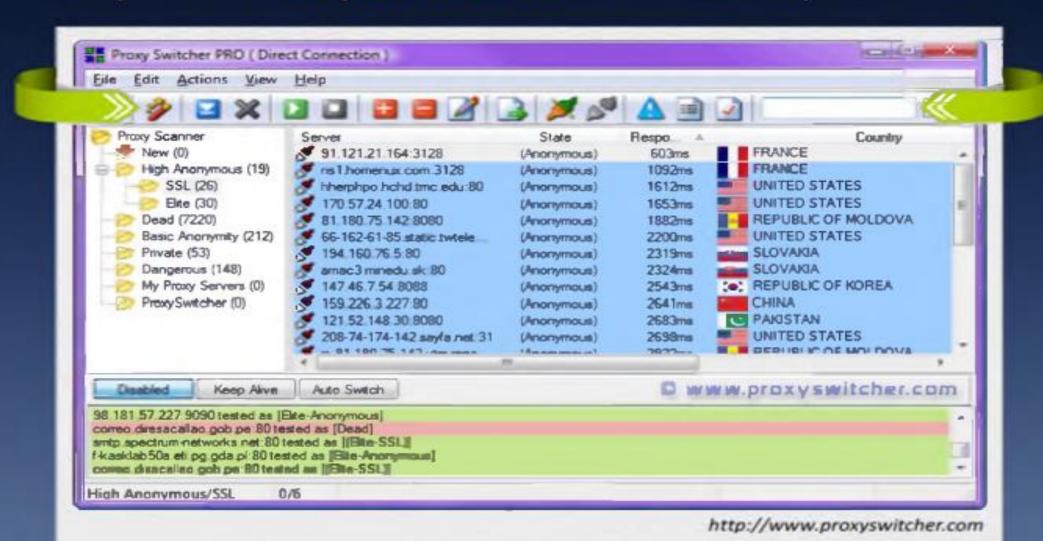
# Proxy Tool: Proxifier

Proxifier is a program that allows network applications that do not support working through proxy servers to operate through an HTTPS or SOCKS proxy or a chain of proxy servers



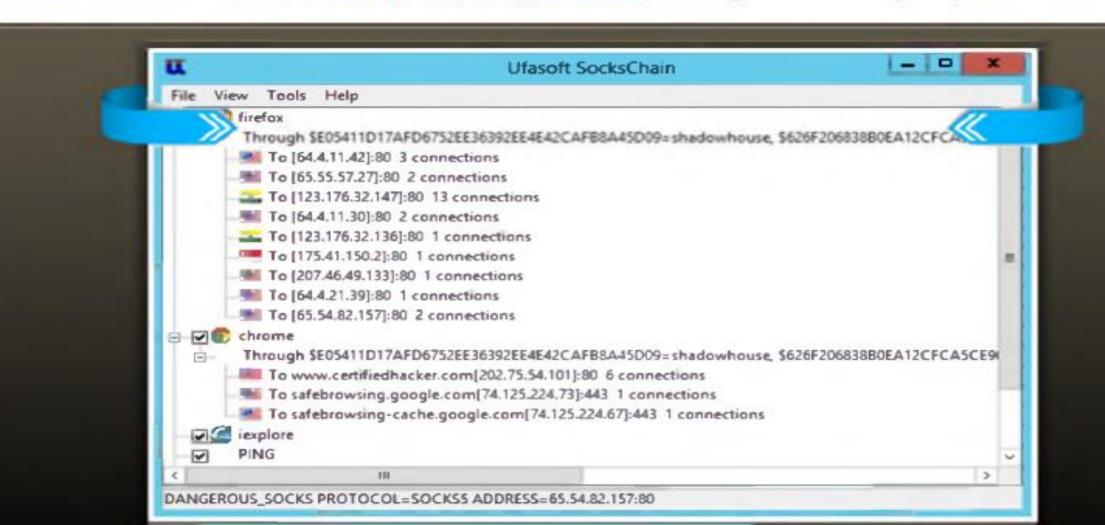
# **Proxy Tool: Proxy Switcher**

Proxy Switcher hides your IP address from the websites you visit



# Proxy Tool: SocksChain

SocksChain transmits the TCP/IP applications through a chain of proxy servers



# Proxy Tool: TOR (The Onion Routing)

### Anonymity

Provides anonymous communication over Internet

### Encryption

Encrypts and decrypts all data packets using public key encryption

### Privacy

Ensures the privacy of both sender and recipient of a message

### **Proxy Chain**

Uses cooperating proxy routers throughout the network

### Security

Provides multiple layers of security to a message

### **Tor Proxy**

The initiating onion router, called a "Tor client" determines the path of transmission



# Proxy Tools



Burp Suite http://www.portswigger.net



Proxy Commander http://www.dlao.com



Proxy Tool Windows App http://webproxylist.com



Gproxy http://gpass1.com



Fiddler http://www.fiddler2.com



Proxy http://www.analogx.com



Protoport Proxy Chain



Proxy+ http://www.proxyplus.cz



FastProxySwitch http://affinity-tools.com



ProxyFinder http://www.proxy-tool.com

# Proxy Tools

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ProxyFinder Enterprise

http://www.proxy-tool.com



ezProxy

http://www.ock.org



JAP Anonymity and Privacy

http://anon.inf.tu-dresden.de/index en.html



**CC Proxy Server** 

http://www.youngzsoft.net



FoxyProxy Standard

https://addons.mozilla.org



**Socks Proxy Scanner** 

http://www.mylanviewer.com



Charles

http://www.charlesproxy.com



UltraSurf

http://www.ultrasurf.us



WideCap

http://widecap.ru



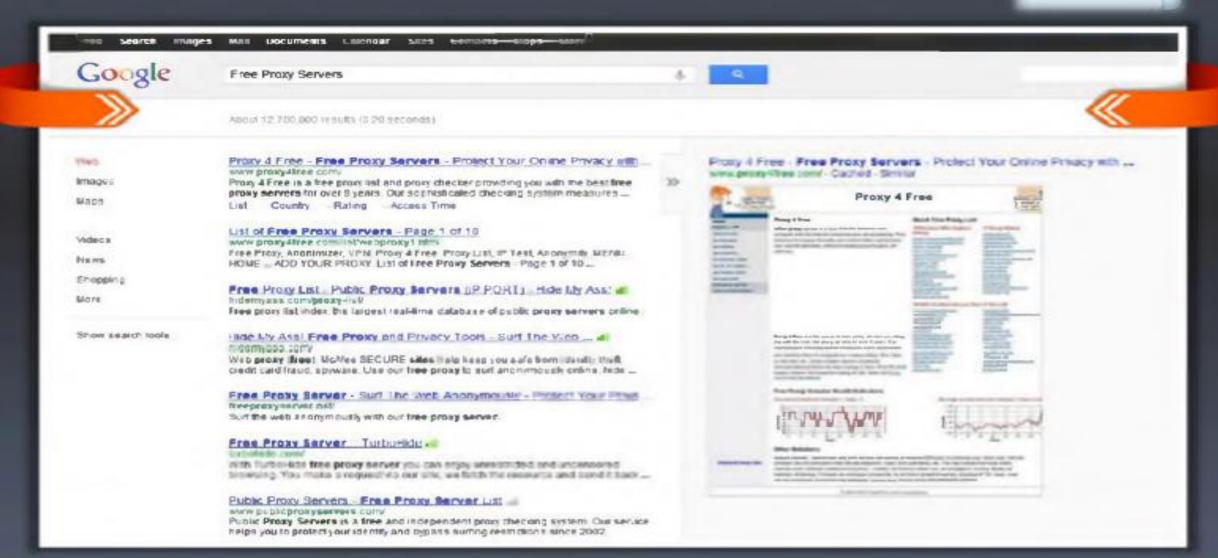
#### ProxyCap

http://www.proxycop.com

# Free Proxy Servers

A search in Google lists thousands of free proxy servers

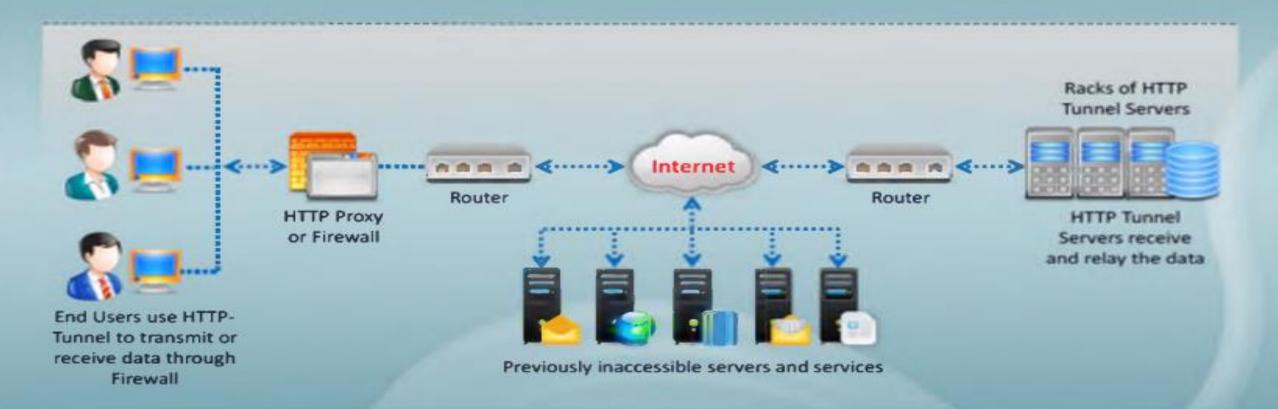




## **HTTP Tunneling Techniques**

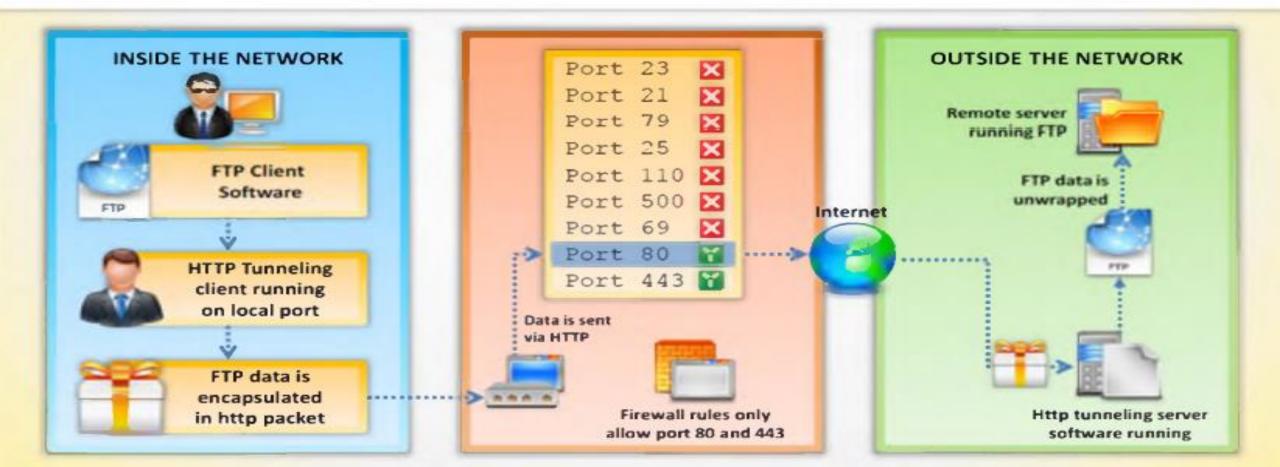
- HTTP Tunneling technology allows users to perform verious internet tasks despite the restrictions imposed by firewalls
- Encapsulates data inside HTTP traffic (port 80)





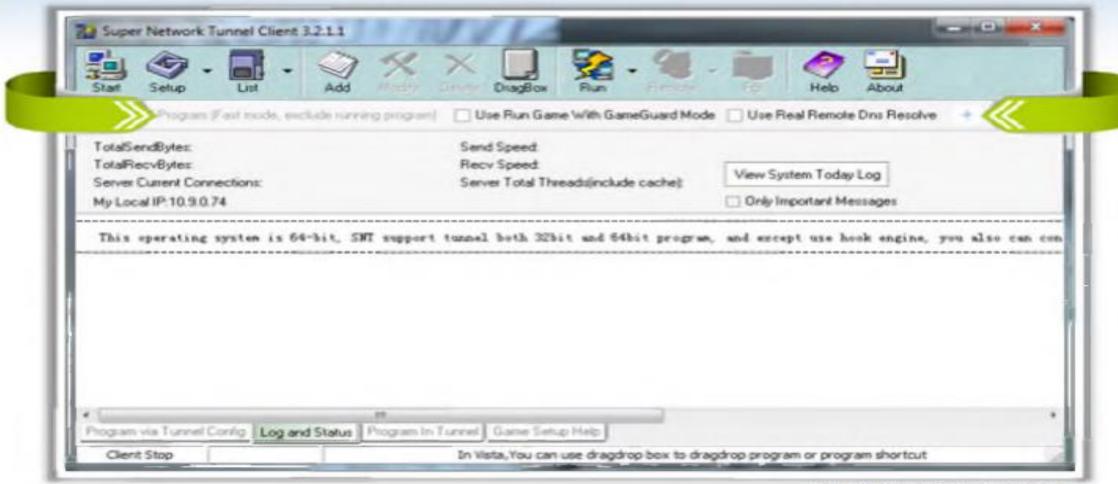
## Why do I Need HTTP Tunneling

- Organizations firewall all ports except 80 and 443, and you may want to use FTP
- HTTP tunneling will enable use of FTP via HTTP protocol



# HTTP Tunneling Tool: Super Network Tunnel

- A two-way http tunnel software connecting two computers
- Works like VPN tunneling but uses HTTP protocol to establish a connection



# Anonymizers

- An anonymizer removes all the identifying information from the user's computer while the user surfs the Internet
- Anonymizers make activity on the Internet untraceable
- Anonymizer tools allow you to bypass Internet censored websites





# Case: Bloggers Write Text Backwards to Bypass Web Filters in China

Bloggers and journalists in China are using a novel approach to bypass Internet filters in their country – they write backwards or from right to left

The content therefore remains readable by human beings but defeats the web filtering software

China is implementing

'packet filtering' to detect TCP

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packets containing controversial

keywords such as Tibet,

keywords such as Tibet,

Democracy, Tiananmen, etc.

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# Censorship Circumvention Tool: Psiphon

- Psiphon is a censorship circumvention system that allows users to bypass firewalls and access blocked sites in countries where the Internet is censored
- It uses a secure, encrypted HTTP tunnel connection to receive requests from psiphonite to psiphonode which in turn transports the results back to the requested psophonite
- It acts as a web proxy for authenticated psiphonites, even works on mobile devices
- It bypass the content-filtering systems of countries like China, North Korea, Iran, Saudi Arabia, Egypt and others

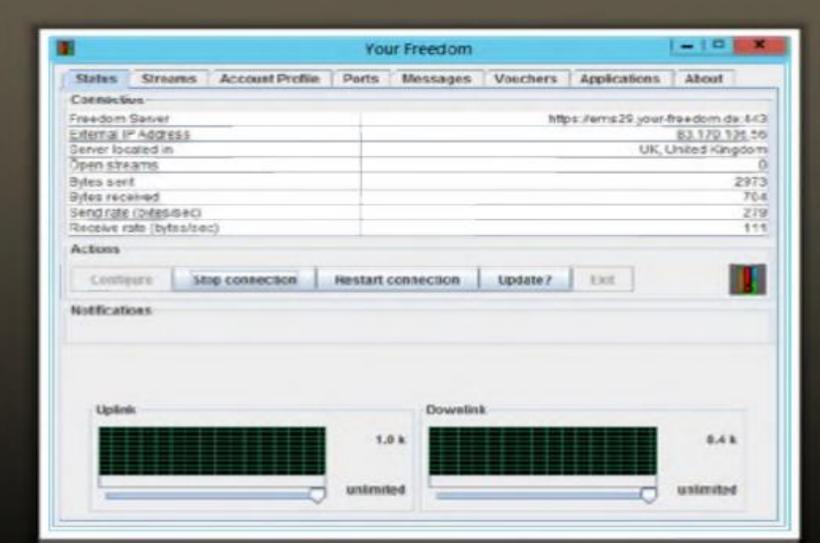




# Censorship Circumvention Tool: Your-Freedom

- Freedom services makes accessible what is inaccessible to you, and it hides your network address from those who do not need to know
- It turns your own PC into an uncensored, anonymous web proxy and an uncensored, anonymous SOCKS proxy that your applications can use

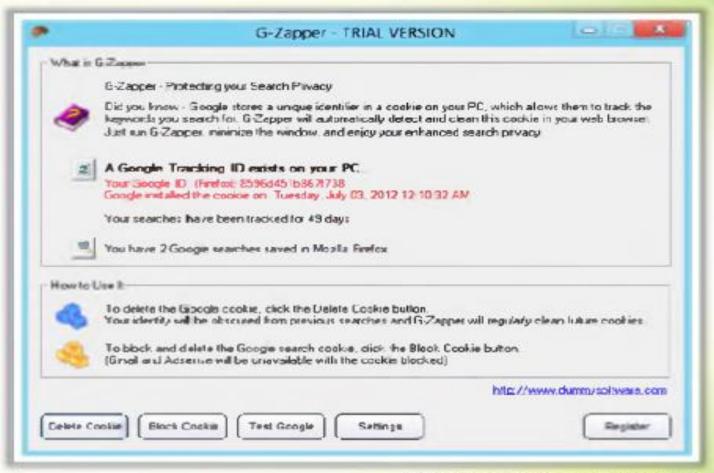




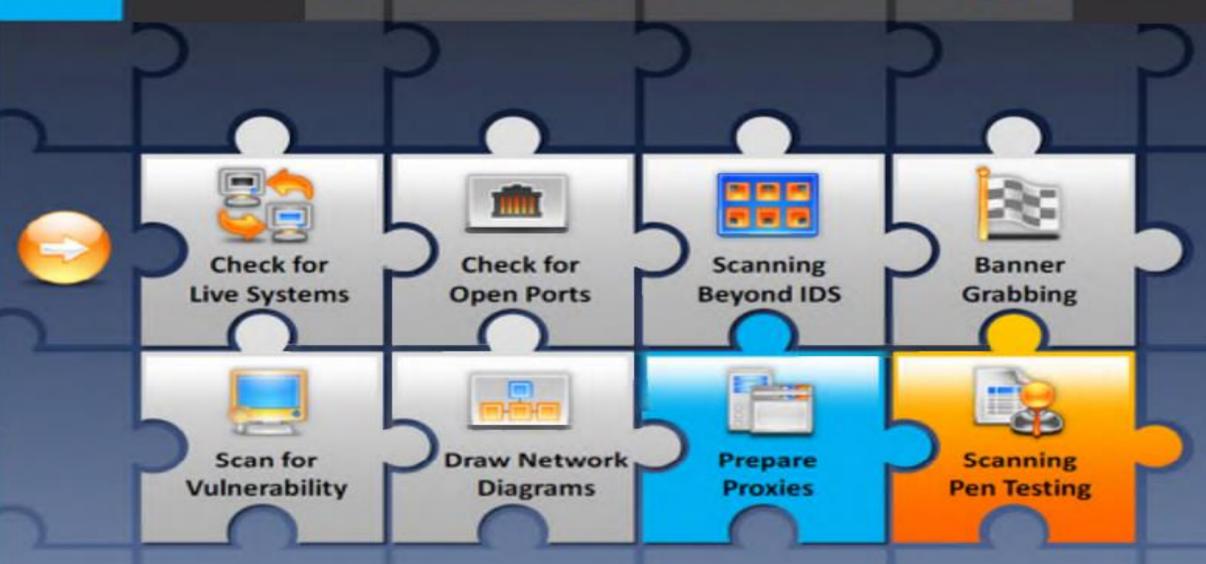
# G-Zapper

## **G-Zapper**

- Google sets a cookie on user's system with a unique identifier that enables them to track user's web activities such as:
  - Search Keywords and habits
  - Search results
  - Websites visited
- Information from Google cookies can be used as evidence in a court of law



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# Scanning Pen Testing



Pen testing a network for scanning vulnerabilities determines the network's security posture by identifying live systems, discovering open ports, associating services and grabbing system banners to simulate a network hacking attempt

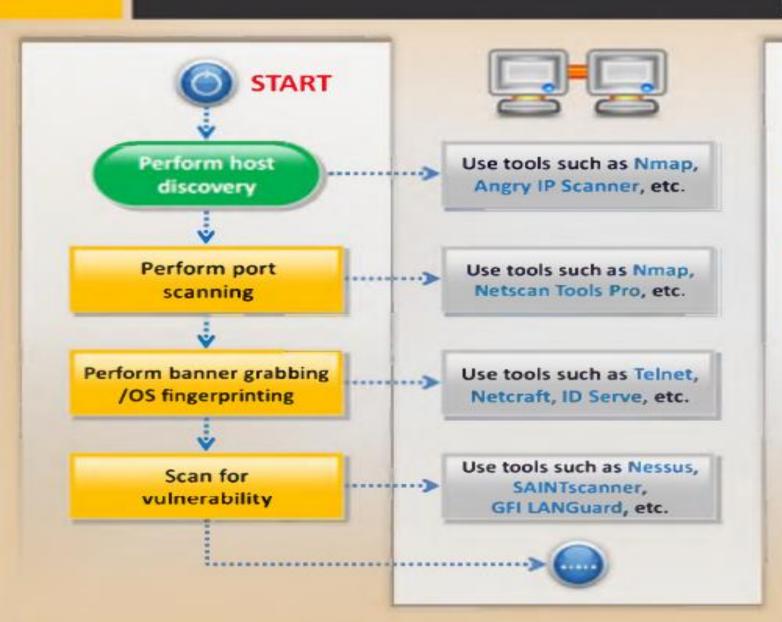


The penetration testing report will help system administrators to:



# Scanning Pen Testing

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- Check for the live hosts using tools such as Nmap, Angry IP Scanner, SolarWinds Engineer's toolset, Colasoft Ping Tool, etc.
- Check for open ports using tools such as Nmap, Netscan Tools Pro, PRTG Network Monitor, Net Tools, etc.
- Perform banner grabbing/OS fingerprinting using tools such as Telnet, Netcraft, ID Serve, etc.
- Scan for vulnerabilities using tools such as Nessus, GFI LANGuard, SAINTscanner, Core Impact Professional, Retina CS Management, MBSA, etc.





# Scanning Pen Testing

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- Draw network diagrams of the vulnerable hosts using tools such as LAN surveyor, OpManager, NetworkView, The Dude, FriendlyPinger, etc.
- Prepare proxies using tools such as Proxy Workbench, Proxifier, Proxy Switcher, SocksChain, TOR, etc.
- Document all the findings

## **Module Summary**

The objective of scanning is to discover live systems, active/running ports, the operating systems, and the services running on the network Attacker determines the live hosts from a range of IP addresses by sending ICMP ECHO requests to multiple hosts Attackers use various scanning techniques to bypass firewall rules and logging mechanism, and hide themselves as usual network traffic Banner grabbing or OS fingerprinting is the method to determine the operating system running on a remote target system Drawing target's network diagram gives valuable information about the network and its architecture to an attacker HTTP Tunneling technology allows users to perform various Internet tasks despite the restrictions imposed by firewalls Proxy is a network computer that can serve as an intermediary for connecting with other computers A chain of proxies can be created to evade a traceback to the attacker