InSEC-Techs

Learn Ethical Hacking from "Entry to Expertise"



Module 2
"Introduction to Ethical Hacking"

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Why Ethical Hacking is necessary?



Publicly Data

Private Data

STORED DATA

MOVING DATA

Security_

Security in simple terms is taking a preventive measures against attacks so that impact of an attack is as low as possible.

In IT domain, SECURITY is creating policies, and or implementing 'defensive or offensive' strategies and or following standardized methodologies to secure IT infrastructure from the attacks that are known or un-known and attacks that are expected or unexpected, so that the impact of attack(s) is null or as low as possible.

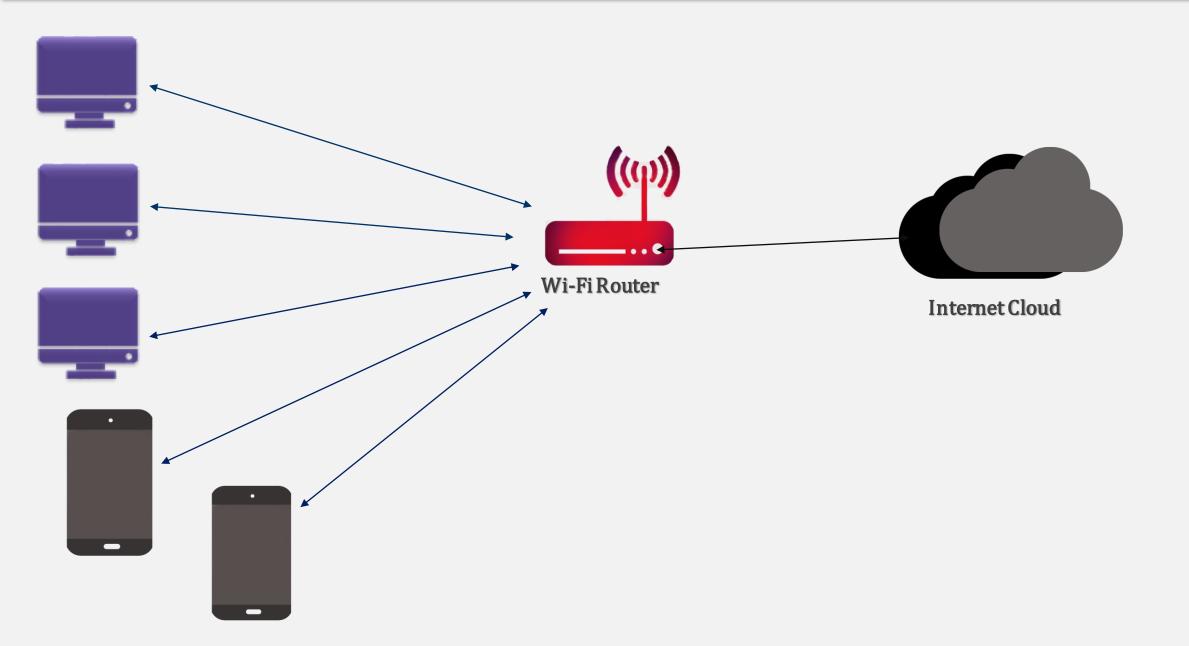
IT Security is set of strategies to prevent unauthorized access to network, services or data to maintain elements of security that are confidentiality, integrity and availability.

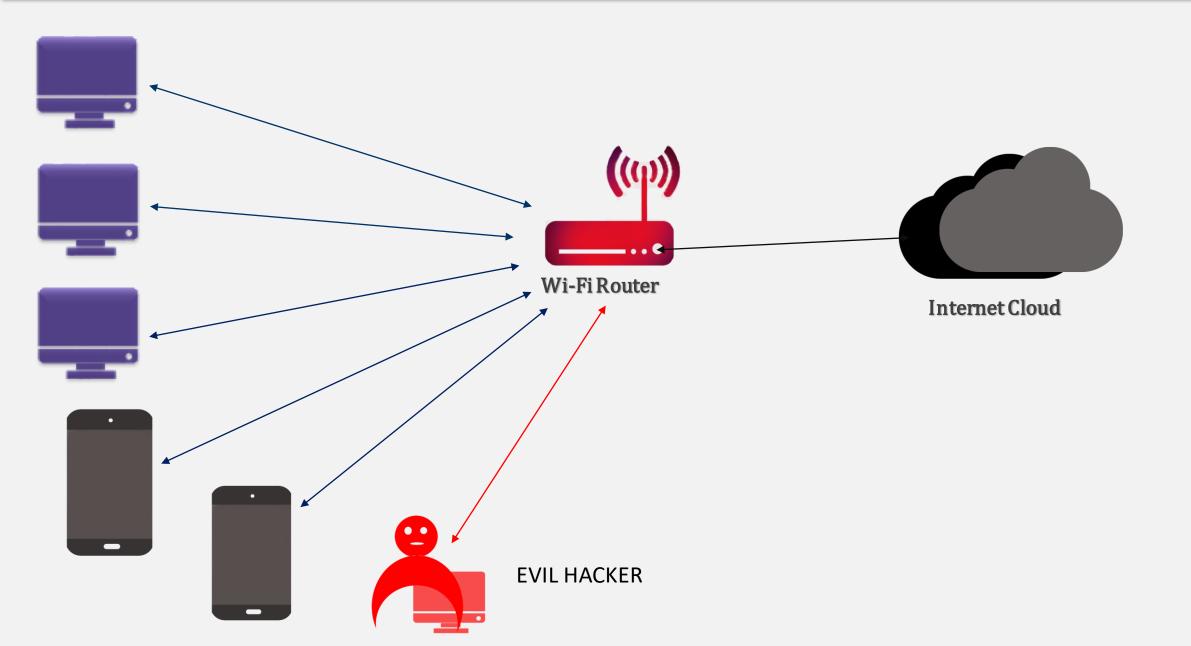
- Where is the Security implemented ?
- How strong the security ?
- Any Existing Vulnerabilities in this network (or applications?

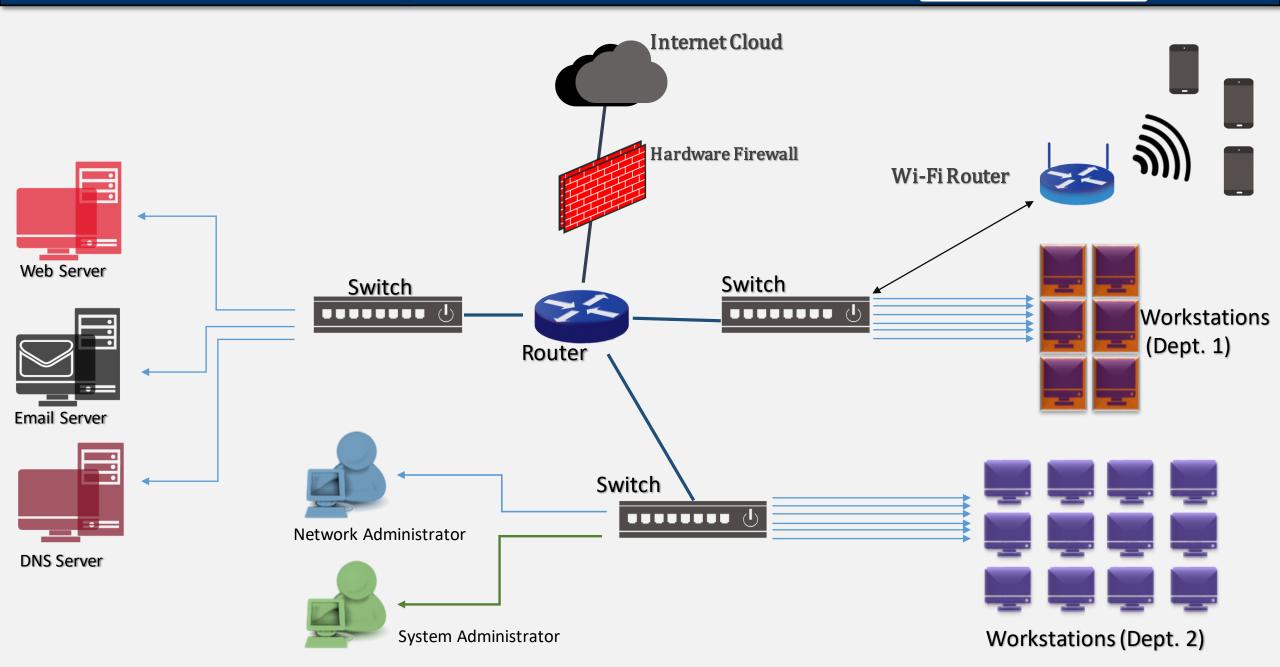


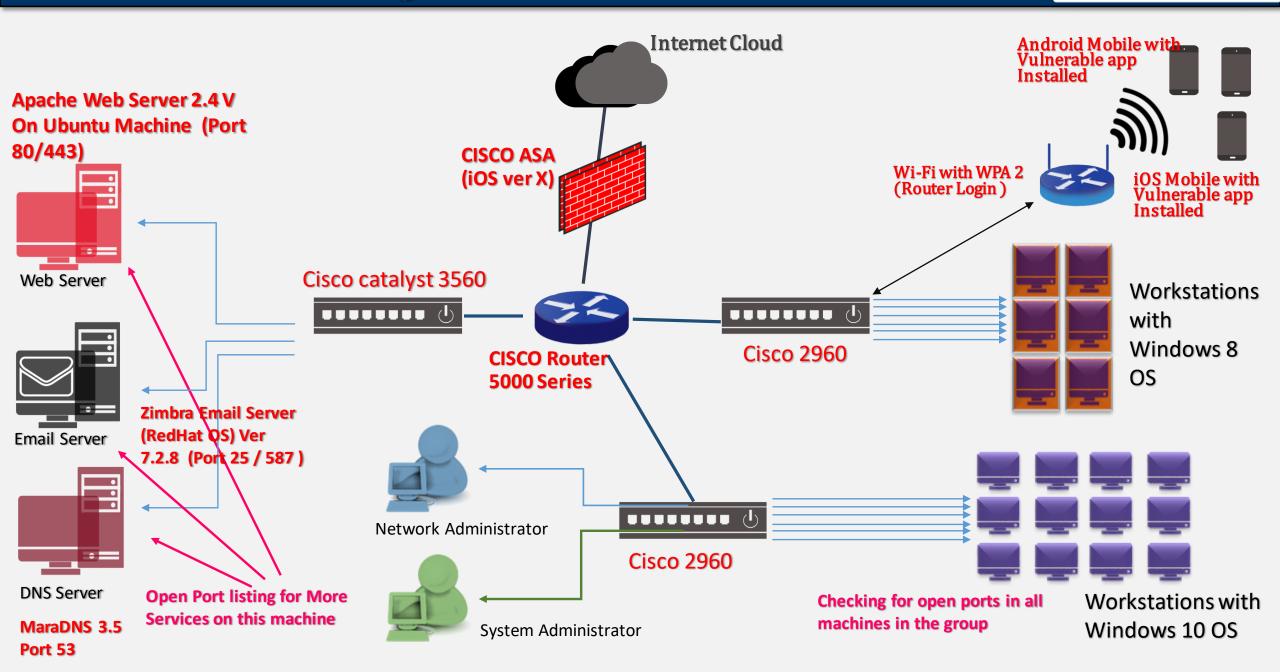












What do "Ethical Hackers" do ?

An Ethical hacker (Pen-Tester) evaluates computer infrastructure (Networks / Systems or Application) to seek answers for following..

- 1. What are the vulnerabilities in the target of Evolution (or) What an Intruder can see in the target system?
- 2. How can intruder exploit the target system?
- 3. What can intruder do with the exploited target system?
- 4. How can the attacks be stopped or how can be vulnerabilities patched?
- 5. Does anyone at target has ability to notice that attacks?



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Confidentiality

No Unauthorized Access or Modification (Equals to Privacy and Secrecy)

Confidentiality can be defined as set of rules that limits access to data. Only authorized users can access data.

Example: Data Encryption

Integrity

Data is Accurate and Trustworthy

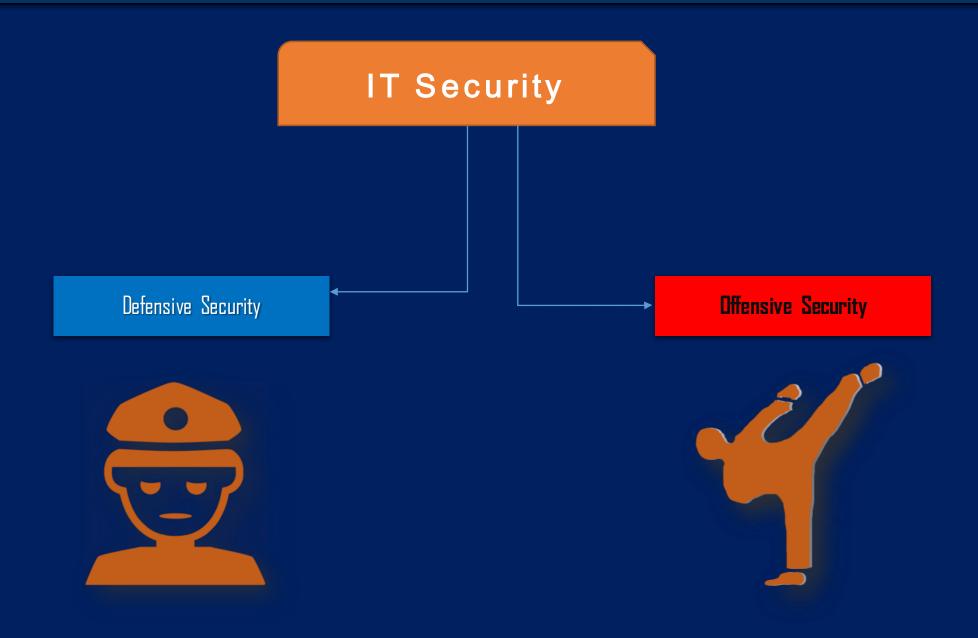
Integrity can be defined as technique that ensures Data is trustworthy and accurate.

Example: Hash values, Checksums and Data Comparsion

Availability

Availability refers to, Availability of data or resources all the time.

Availability ensures that data or network resource is available to authorized users all the time.



IT Security



Firewalls (SW & HW)

Advanced Security Appliances.

IPS (Intrusion Prevention Systems)

IDS (Intrusion Detection Systems)

WIDPS - Wireless intrusion prevention

and detection system

UTM – Unified Threat Management

NAC- Network Access Control

Proxy Server

Anti-Virus

DMZ - De-Militarized Zone

Network Security Admins/Engg

Offensive Security



Vulnerability Assessment and

Penetration Testing

Penetration Tester / Security Analyst

Phases of Ethical Hacking



Report complete Test report to the client.

Reconnaissance

Recon is a preparation phase, where you gather information Active and Passively.

Clearing Tracks

Hacker clears/deletes all activity logs to remain hidden on target to main access to Target for longer time.

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Phases of Ethical Hacking

Scanning

Pre-attack phase where you Scan targets based on information gather from Reconnaissance

Maintaining Access

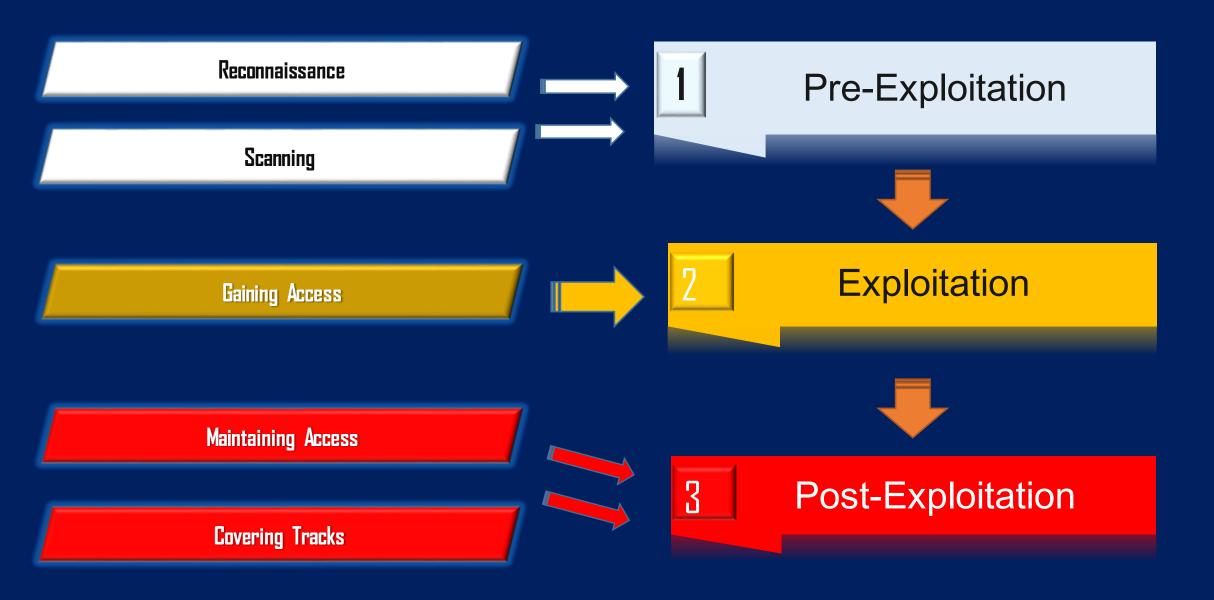
Post-attack phase where Hacker tries to maintain access
Hacked target as long as possible for installing backdoors.

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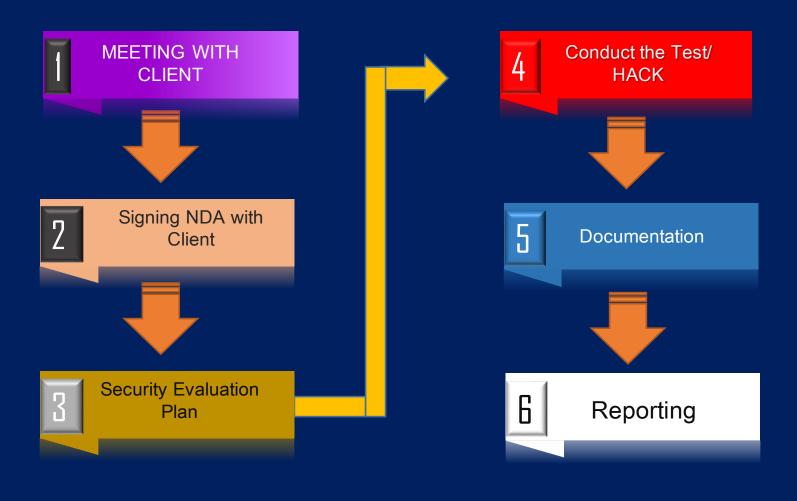
Gaining Access

An attack phase, where Hacker tries to successfully gain access to the target

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Penetration Test (On Floor Approach)_



Types of Penetration Testing

Black-Box Testing

Black box is a method of Penetration Testing, where Hacker has no knowledge of the target, except target name or IP etc. Client will not provide any information to hacker, and want Hacker to simulate real time cyber criminal attacks. These are basically External attacks.

Grey-Box Testing

Grey box is a method of Penetration Testing, where Hacker has some knowledge of the target with user level access and some knowledge shared about the target like applications information, hosted platforms, IP addresses and Range etc

White-Box Testing

White box is a method of Penetration Testing in which Hacker has complete knowledge of the target that you request using engagement tool kit and hacker will access to target machines or source code or testing application etc.

How does "Ethical Hackers" HACK?

1. Remote Network

Hacker / Tester simulates the hack from remote location over the internet as a true Cyber criminal. The Primary defence to mitigate this kind of attacks are Border Firewalls, Filtering routers & Security policies.

2. Local Network

Hacker / Tester conducts the test from local network i.e. clients internal network as an authorised and with scope of testing, The primary defence to challenge the test/hack is intranet firewalls, strong internal security policies.

3. Stolen Devices

Cyber criminals steal devices like laptop(s), Smartphones, Hard disks from targeted location or from a targeted person and extract valuable information from stolen devices. Physical security must be implemented to high valued devices.

How does "Ethical Hackers (Cyber Criminals)" HACK?

4. Social Engineering

In this type of attack, attacker target individuals of target organization or just target persons like friends or relative and extract required information from them using verbal communication, like asking personal/private information as a casual act.

5. Physical Entry

Hacker's physically intrude into organizations bypassing security guards (mostly using fake ID cards) and once inside the organization, hacker can execute attacks like stealing documents, files, devices, connecting to internal network and spying (MITM) & so on. Proper physical security with biometric identification techniques like fingerprint scanning & IRIS scanning will be helpful

Dumpster Diving: This is information gather technique used by hacker, where hacker goes to target organization's premises or inside the building and look into trashcan's for documents of vital importance.