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Penetration Testing Practice Seminar

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Agenda

- Response to the Exit Ticket from Last Week
- Solution of Homework 1
- Tools for Penetration Testing
- Penetration Testing Practice in a Team

Exit tickets from last week

- **Q: How should we have approached this website vulnerability finding?**
- **A:** Optimally, choose a methodology (OWASP) and follow its steps. An excellent checklist excel table can be found [here](#).

- **Q: Do pentesting tools entirely replace manual checks?**
- **A:** Some tools are just convenience wrappers; thus, I would count using them as manual checking. If you mean autonomous tools, those are not complete replacements. They can cover much ground, find common vulnerabilities, and exploit them – they are a great starting point.

Solution of Homework 1

– Presented only in class.

Goals of this seminar

- **Do the actual penetration testing.**
- **Share your findings** with your team members.
- **Store your findings** in a shared document.

Penetration Testing Practice

Start your sandbox using steps from the last week.

Update from last week:

It seems that an older version of VirtualBox at nymfe was a root cause of instable virtual machines in sandboxes. VirtualBox has been updated to a newer version. Please report us any issues.

Tools for Penetration Testing

Tooling Overview

- Network Scanning Tools

- WEB

- Recon
- Enumeration and Crawling
- Vulnerability Scanning
- Proxying

- MSF

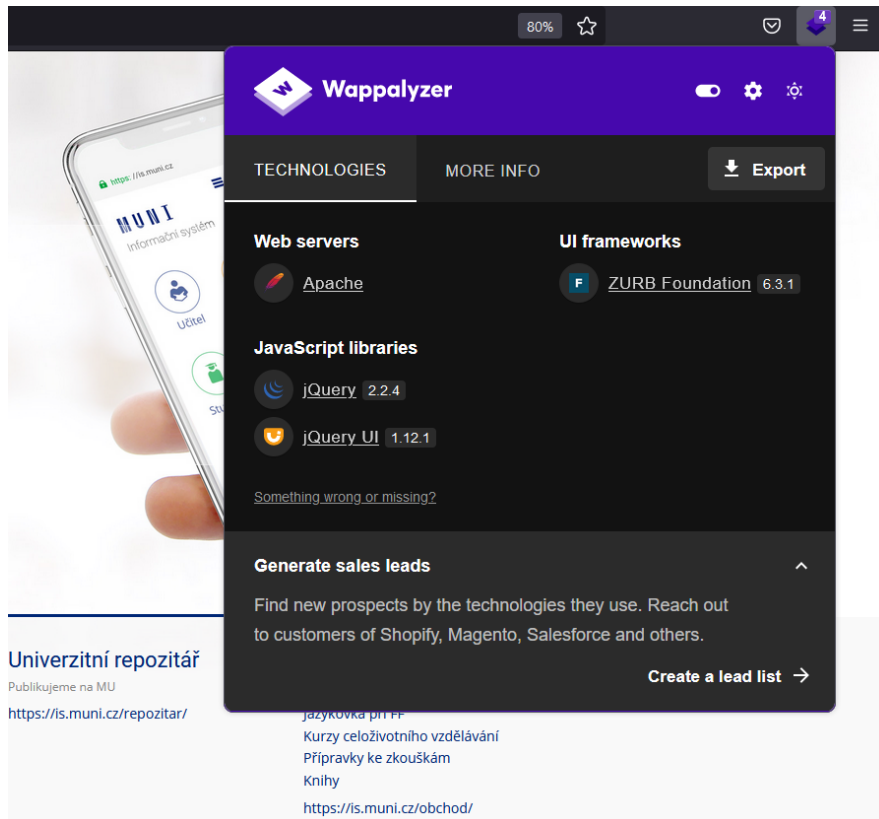
Network Scanning Tools

- Nmap, RustScan
- To find open ports, identify services, and scan vulnerabilities.

WEB – Browsers

- Browser developer tools are the most available and basic web penetration testing tools.

WEB – Technology Reconnaissance



- [WhatWeb](#)
- [Wappalyzer](#)
- For enumerating web technologies.

WEB – Crawling and Enumeration

- Gather and follow linked pages.
 - [OWASP ZAP](#)
 - [Burp Suite](#) Pro
- Enumerating pages with brute-force or wordlists:
 - [Fuff](#), [dirb](#), [Dirbuster](#), [gobuster](#), [Nikto](#)

WEB – Vulnerability Scanning

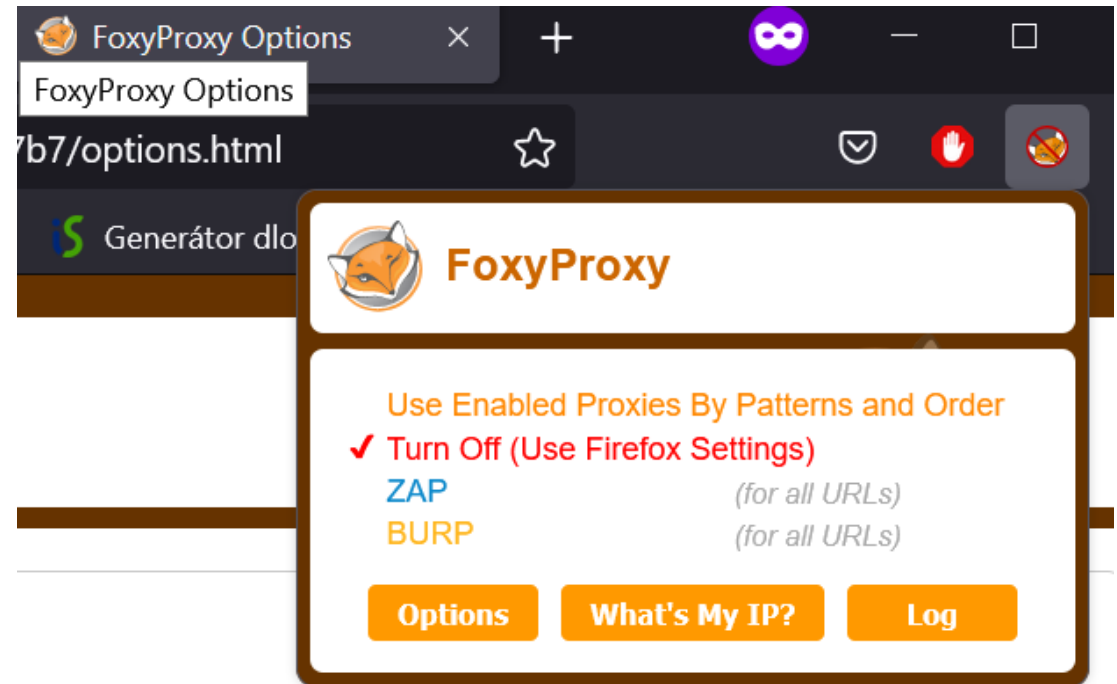
- Nikto
- Burp Suite Pro
- OWASP ZAP

WEB – Proxies

- Intercepts web data between your browser and the website.
- Allows changing data and headers – thus bypassing browser and client-side limitations.
- Other convenience features – repeating, encoder/decoder, HTTP history registry.
- Scriptability.
- Burp (Community or Pro), OWASP ZAP

WEB – Proxies: Convenience

- [FoxyProxy](#)
- Convenience tool that saves you the trouble of setting up and changing proxies.



Metasploit Framework

- The “Swiss army knife” of penetration testing:
 - Vulnerability scanners.
 - Exploits.
 - Payloads.
 - Post-exploitation tools.



Penetration Testing Practice

Your task for today

- **Work in a team, and share what you find with other team members.**
- **Refresh the rules** of engagements and **scope** of the test (see last week).
- Next week: **Report** your results, including **homework**.

- From now on, we are here for **consultations** till the end of the seminar.
- Take a break any time you need.
- Feel free to leave when you are done.

Scoping matters – real-life example

- Police Presidium hired 3rd party to run penetration testing on their systems.
- Ministry of Interior was unaware of these tests and accused the 3rd party of intruding on their systems and manipulating data.
- Source: <https://denikn.cz/986275/zadrzeni-sefa-cermatu-inspekce-resi-prolomeni-systemu-ministerstva-vnitra/> (paywall, in Czech)

How was it today?

And what is your progress?

Please fill in an **anonymous** exit ticket:

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