INFORMATION GATHERING

- IP address.
- Domain name info.
- Technologies used.
- Other websites on the same server.
- DNS records.
- Files, sub-domains, directories.



SUBDOMAINS

- Domain before the actual domain name.
- Part of the main domain.

Ex:

- subdomain.target.com
- mail.google.com
- plus.google.com



DIRECTORIES

- Directories/folders inside the web root.
- Can contain files or other directories.

Ex:

- target.com/directory
- plus.google.com/discover

SUMMARY

Our crawler so far can guess:

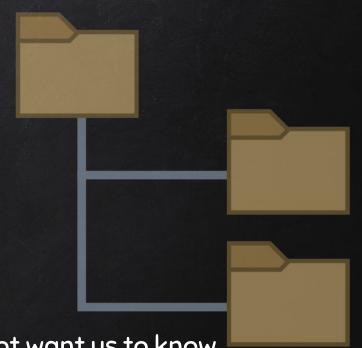
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Solution:

→ Analyse discovered paths to discover more paths.

SPIDER

Goal \rightarrow Recursively list all links starting from a base url.

- 1. Read page html.
- 2. Extract all links.
- 3. Repeat for each new link that is not already in the list

LISTS

List of values/elements, all can be stored in one variable.

Ex:

lucky_numbers_list = [3, 7, 8, 17, 24]

Python will interpret this as

index	0	1	2	3	4
value	3	7	8	17	24

Elements can be accessed using their index print(lucky_numbers_list[0]) #prints 3 print(lucky_numbers_list[1]) #prints 7 print(lucky_numbers_list[2]) #prints 8



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lucky_numbers_list.pop[2])

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WEBSITE HACKING

- 1. Information gathering.
- 2. Discover vulnerabilities.
- 3. Exploit discovered vulnerabilities.

HTTP REQUESTS

BASIC INFORMATION FLOW





- User clicks on a link.
- HTML website generates a request (client side)
- Request is sent to the server.
- Server performs the request (Server Side)
- Sends response back.



HTTP REQUESTS - GET vs POST

Two main methods used to send data to the web application:

- 1. Through the URL (Usually using GET).
 - a. http://website.com/news.php?id=1
 - b. http://website.com/?id=1

- 2. Through input elements (usually using POST):
 - a. Search boxes.
 - b. Login boxes
 - c.etc

VULNERABILITY_SCANNER

How to discover a vulnerability in a web application?



- 1. Go into every possible page.
- 2. Look for ways to send data to the web application (URL + Forms).
- 3. Send payloads to discover vulnerabilities.
- 4. Analyse the response to check of the website is vulnerable.

 \rightarrow General steps are the same regardless of the vulnerability.