Cloud Blazers

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Main Idea: Cloud-Based Penetration Scanning

- Scan a large range of addresses
- Utilize multiple VMs in parallel reducing scan time and analysis
- Require authentication using cloud database technologies
- Expose vulnerabilities associated with the network (ports, OS, etc)
- Mitigation tool for developers to slow down the attacker



Technical Approach





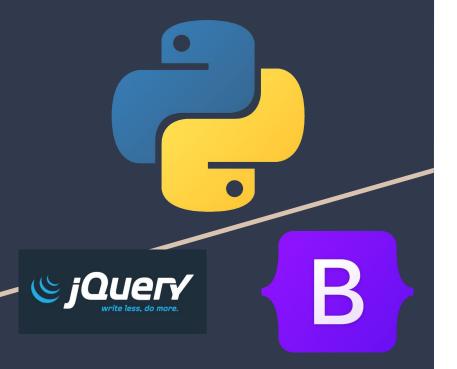
Scanning tool:

- Nmap "Network Mapper" open source tool for network discovery & security auditing
- Sublist3r Subdomain listing tool
- SSLyze SSL/TLS scanning tool
- TLS-Parser Parse TLS information
- Requests Gather metadata from the hosts





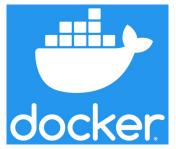
Technical Approach (Cont.)



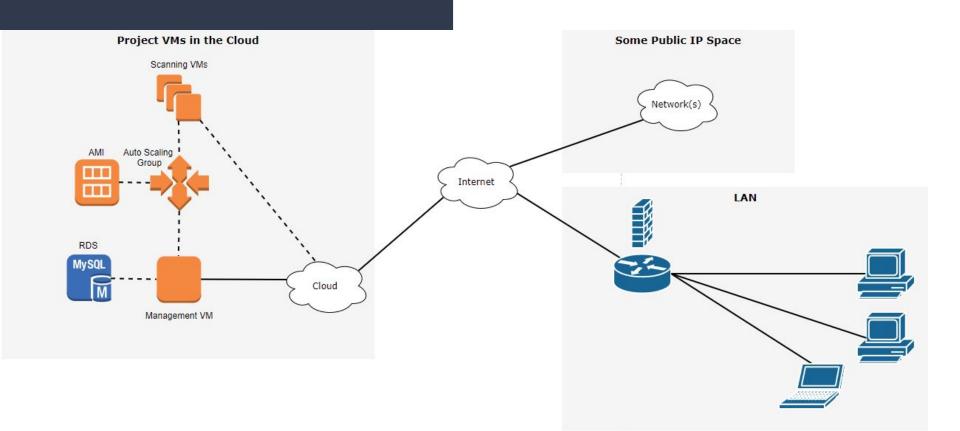
Web application:

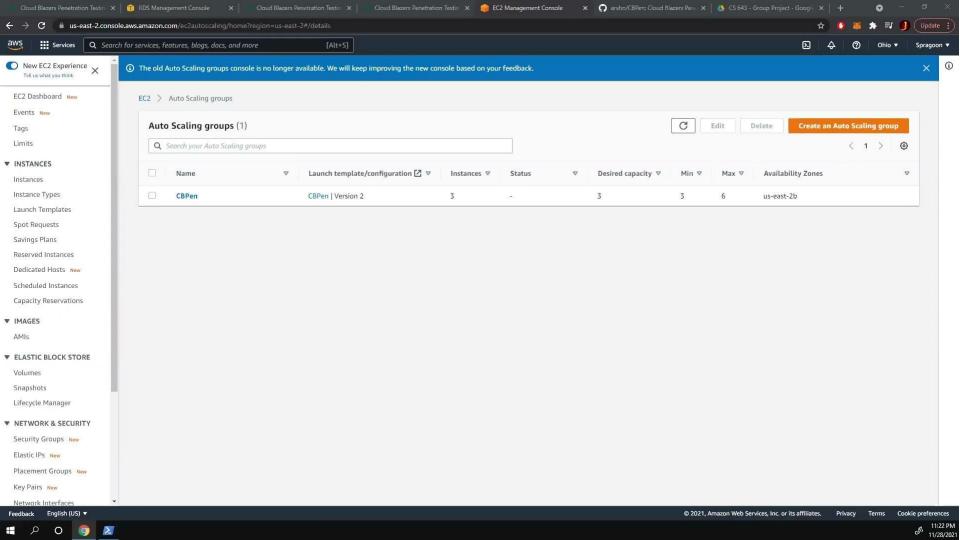
- Python & Flask Provides REST APIs for concurrent scanning from multiple VMs
- SQLAlchemy SQL Object Relational Mapper
- Cryptography Used for cryptographic algorithms and encryptions/decryptions
- Dotenv Sets environment variables based on the development or production environment
- Bootstrap & jQuery Used for developing responsive frontend
- Docker with docker-compose Creates docker containers for OS independent execution





Diagram





Lessons learned/discussion

- Additional Pentesting Tools
- Scalability
 - o AWS Auto Scaling (Elastic IPs), Elastic Beanstalk
- Scanning Through Proxy
- 2FA login system (Amazon Cognito)
- Password Reset
- Condensing libraries and tools

Task Distribution

William Austin: Meeting organizer and research additional project options for scaling (Elastic Beanstalk) & scanning (Wireshark).

Andrew Balfour: Flask development with nmap OS scanning. Creation of the login page and database, including SQLite to MySQL migration.

Jeremy Crown: Implemented, updated, and maintained VMs, autoscaling group, and RDS instance in AWS.

Trina Lin: Updated Contacts and Terms & Conditions pages and researched AWS Elastic Beanstalk and Auto Scaling.

Ahmedur Rahman Shovon: Developed backend (REST APIs) and frontend (monitor app) of the web application accommodating scanning tools in EC2.