

CYSE 301: Cybersecurity Technique and Operations

Assignment 3: Sword vs. Shield

In this assignment, you will act as an attacker to identify the vulnerabilities in the LAN network and a defender to apply proper countermeasures. You need to provide a screenshot for each task below.

Task A: Sword - Network Scanning (20+ 20 = 40 points)

Power on the listed VMs and complete the following steps from the **External Kali** (you can use either nmap or zenmap to complete the assignment)

- External Kali
- pfSense
- Ubuntu
- Windows Server 2008

Make sure you didn't add/delete any firewall policy before continuing.

1. Use Nmap to profile the basic information about the **subnet** topology (including open ports information, operation systems, etc.) You need to get the **service** and **backend software** information associated with each opening port in each VM.
2. Run Wireshark in Ubuntu VM while External Kali is scanning the network. Discuss the traffic pattern you observed. What do you find? **Please write a 200-word essay to discuss your findings.**

Task B: Shield – Protect your network with firewall (10 + 10+ 20 + 20 = 60 points)

In order to receive full credits, you need to fill the table (add more rows if needed), implement the firewall rule(s), show me the screenshot of your firewall table, and verify the results.

1. Configure the pfSense firewall rule to block the ICMP traffic from External Kali to Ubuntu VM.

Rule #	Interface	Action	Source IP	Destination IP	Protocol (port # if applicable)

2. Clear the previous firewall policies and configure the pfSense firewall to block all ICMP traffic from External Kali to the LAN side.

Rule #	Interface	Action	Source IP	Destination IP	Protocol (port # if applicable)

3. Clear the previous firewall policies and configure the pfSense firewall to block ALL traffic from External Kali to the LAN side, except for the FTP protocol towards Windows Server 2008.

Rule #	Interface	Action	Source IP	Destination IP	Protocol (port # if applicable)

4. Keep the firewall policies you created in Task B.3 and repeat Task A.1. What's the difference?

Extra credit (15 points): Use NESSUS to enumerate the security vulnerabilities of Microsoft Windows Server 2008 VM in the CCIA network.