

Reconnaissance Mitigation Through NGFW (Next Generation Firewall)

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Reconnaissance

Reconnaissance refers to the process of gathering information about a target network or system to identify vulnerabilities and potential points of entry.

Types of Reconnaissance Attacks:

- **Passive Reconnaissance:** Collecting information without directly interacting with the target.
- **Active Reconnaissance:** Involves engaging with the target system, like scanning for open ports and services.

Importance of Detection and Prevention:

- Early detection of reconnaissance activities is crucial to thwart potential cyber threats.
- A robust security strategy should include measures to prevent and mitigate reconnaissance attempts.

NGFW (Next Generation Firewall)

Definition and Characteristics:

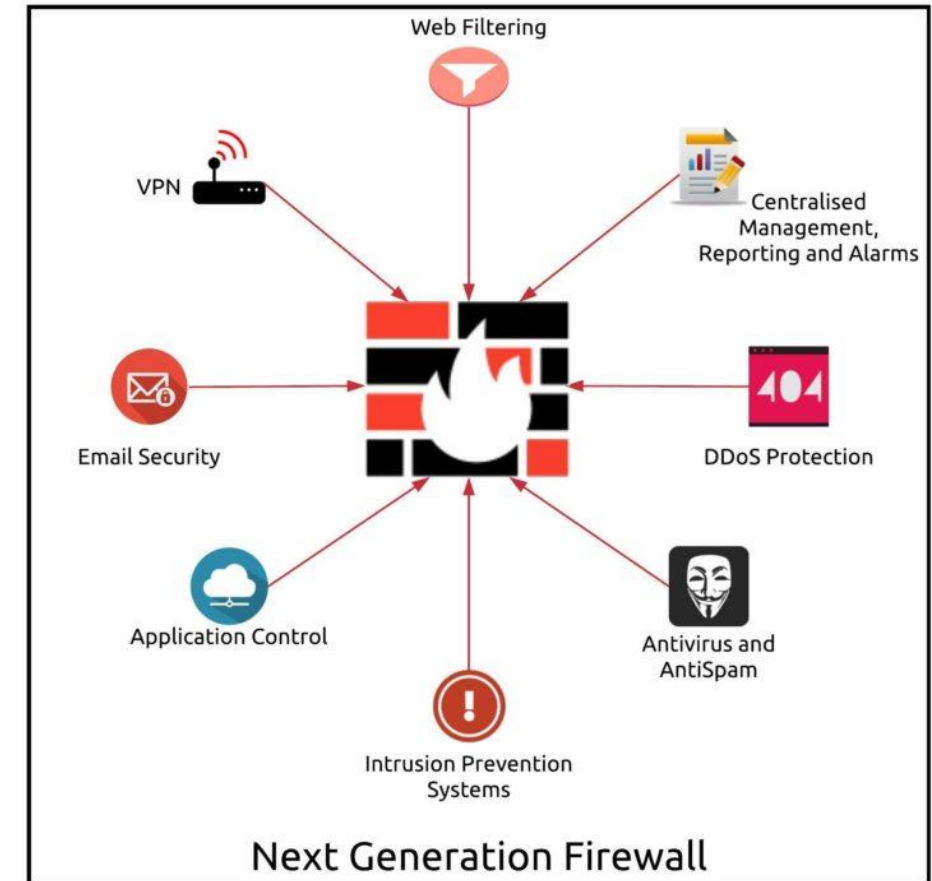
- NGFWs combine traditional firewall capabilities with advanced security technologies.
- They offer deep inspection of network traffic, allowing granular control over applications and user activities.

Capabilities Beyond Traditional Firewalls:

- Intrusion Prevention System (IPS) capabilities for real-time threat prevention.
- Application-layer filtering to control and monitor application usage.
- SSL and TLS inspection to detect threats hidden within encrypted traffic.

Integration of Advanced Security Features:

- NGFWs often include features like antivirus, sandboxing, and threat intelligence integration.
- These advanced features enhance the firewall's ability to identify and block sophisticated threats.



Palo Alto Firewall Systems



Overview of Palo Alto Networks:

- Palo Alto Networks is a leading cybersecurity company known for its cutting-edge firewall technologies.
- The company's commitment to innovation is reflected in its comprehensive security platforms.

Unique Features and Capabilities:

- Their approach emphasizes the importance of a prevention-first mindset, disrupting threats before they can cause harm.

Role in Protecting Against Reconnaissance:

- Palo Alto Firewalls play a vital role in detecting and preventing reconnaissance activities.
- The integration of threat intelligence and continuous updates ensures Palo Alto's systems stay ahead of emerging threats.

Demo

- 1) Practical Demonstration of NGFW in Action
- 2) Showcase of Reconnaissance Prevention

Conclusion

- Reconnaissance is the first phase of cyber attacks
- NGFW provides the means to detect and mitigate Reconnaissance
- This project utilized Palo Alto NGFW to detect and mitigate Reconnaissance