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Thread: [I want to start learn hacking, what should I start learning first?](#)

yby1973 - July 27, 2020, 3:28 pm

Hello, I want to start getting into hacking, but I know that there are a lot of fields of hacking, and they all interesting me.

So my problem is that I don't know where to start.

I'm currently learning CCNA R&S, and I have basic understanding of how to use Linux distributions like Debian, Ubuntu, Kali, CentOS7. I have also some background in penetration testing (I would say amateur level - basic network attacks, server side attacks, and client side attacks, and some social engineering).

I know Python programming language and learning C right now.

I have a few goals that I want to be able to archive:

- be able to break into secure networks and systems and websites and script my own attack scripts
- be able to reverse engineer and perform binary exploitation and develop exploits (for systems and for games)
- develop malwares

I know what each field requires me to learn, but I just need a direction according to my goals, what should I start with and what to learn after?

Semmenial - July 27, 2020, 5:17 pm

In order to successfully bypass firewalls, exploit frameworks, etc, you need to understand how they work.

What I used to do, for finding vulnerabilities in forums, etc, would be to download the forums software, for example: myBB or vBulletin, and install it on a test site. Then I would proceed to find vulnerabilities within the site to try and exploit them.

Hellfire69 - August 14, 2020, 12:08 am

Id suggest learning OPSEC first and above all else.

Nativeplays - March 30, 2026, 4:29 pm

I'd suggest learning basic programming and how to understand computer networks properly.