



Maintaining Scanners

VULNERABILITY MANAGEMENT

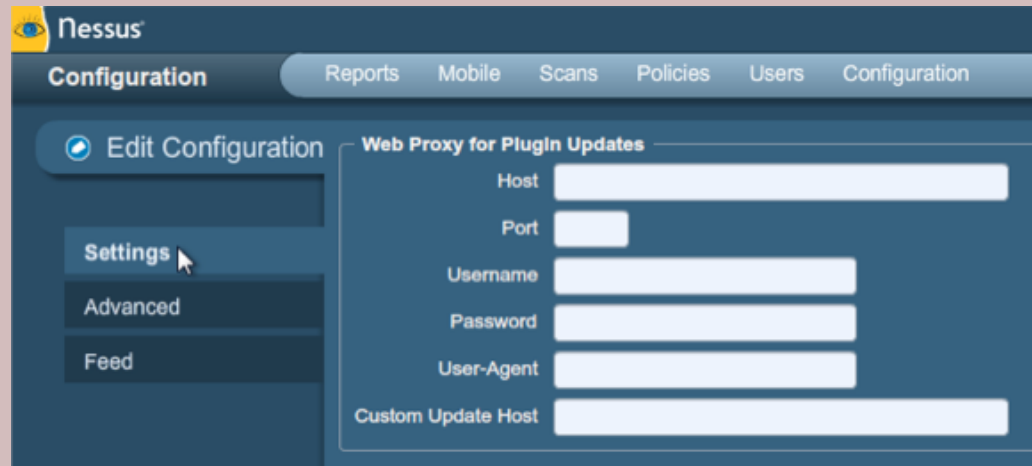
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- Vulnerability management tools are vulnerable to vulnerabilities themselves!
- You should always update the tools and its plug-ins/signatures before use
- This can be automated, as well, but check to verify the update has occurred before use



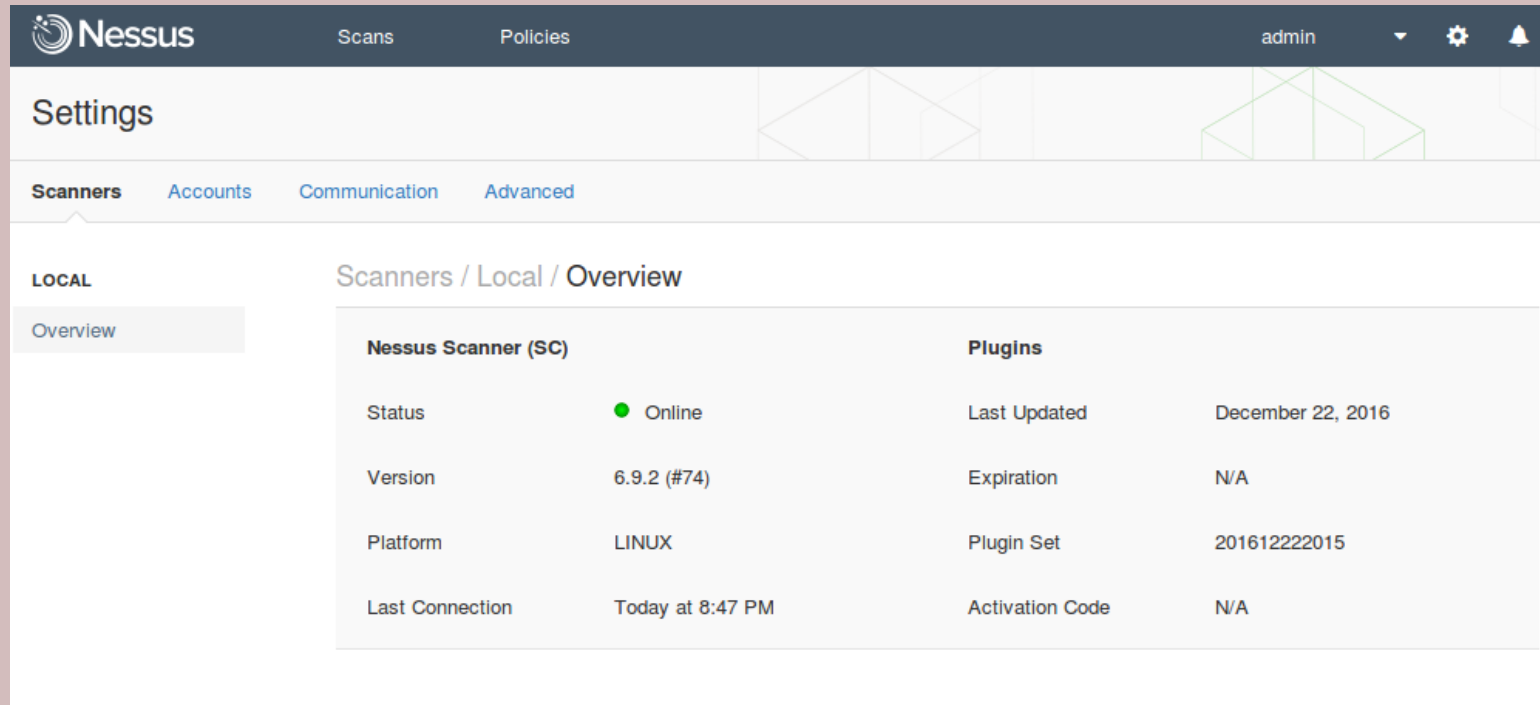
Updating Scanners

- Regular patching is critical to a secure scanner
- Implements bug fixes
- Feature enhancements
- Improves scan quality



Updating Plug-ins

- Plug-ins can be automatically set to update daily
- Provides signatures for latest vulnerabilities



The screenshot shows the Nessus web interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Nessus', 'Scans', 'Policies', and a user profile 'admin'. The 'Settings' page is active, with tabs for 'Scanners', 'Accounts', 'Communication', and 'Advanced'. Under 'Scanners', the 'LOCAL' section is expanded, showing 'Overview'. The 'Scanners / Local / Overview' section displays details for the 'Nessus Scanner (SC)' and its 'Plugins'.

Nessus Scanner (SC)		Plugins	
Status	● Online	Last Updated	December 22, 2016
Version	6.9.2 (#74)	Expiration	N/A
Platform	LINUX	Plugin Set	201612222015
Last Connection	Today at 8:47 PM	Activation Code	N/A

