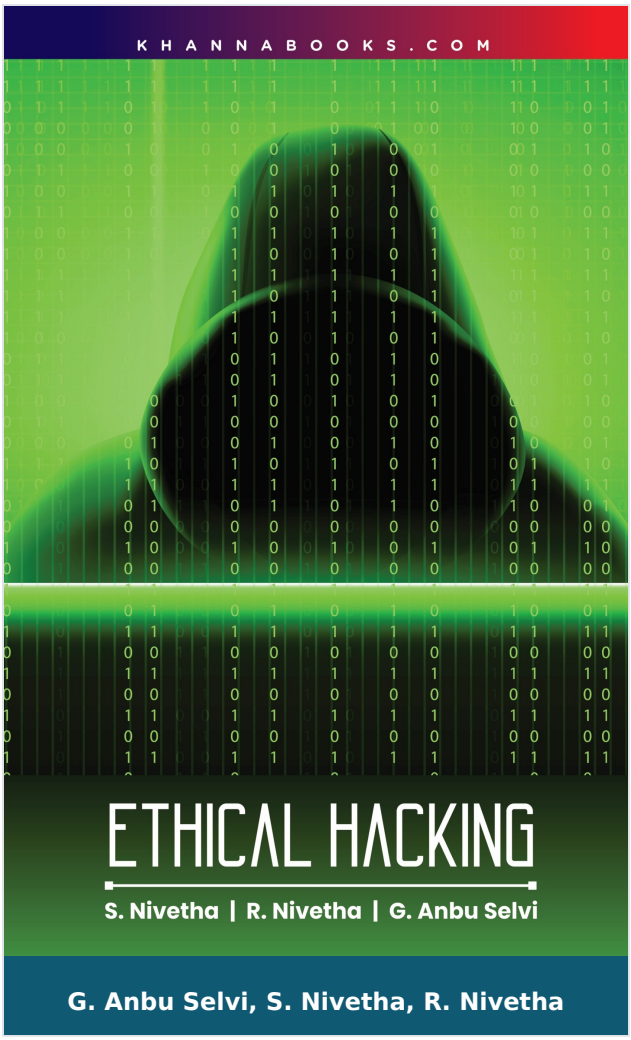

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In the rapidly evolving digital landscape, where cyber threats are increasing in complexity and frequency, Ethical Hacking stands as an indispensable guide for mastering proactive cybersecurity defense. This book is meticulously designed to introduce readers to the fundamental concepts and practical methodologies of Ethical Hacking and Penetration Testing. It is structured to align with a dedicated cybersecurity curriculum, making it an ideal resource for students in Computer Science and related fields, as well as cybersecurity enthusiasts and IT professionals aiming to enhance their skills.

The core theme of the text is to transform the reader into an authorized "White Hat" hacker, equipping them with the technical expertise and ethical mindset required to fortify digital infrastructures. It achieves this by delving into crucial, real-world topics such as the phases of ethical hacking, detailed penetration testing methodologies, information gathering, enumeration, vulnerability scanning, and network sniffing. Beyond theoretical knowledge, the book emphasizes hands-on experience, featuring practical exercises and case studies that allow readers to apply knowledge in live cybersecurity scenarios.

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