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Module	Content																																				
Credential Storage	<div><div>Linux :</div><div><div>/etc/shadow => fields :</div><div><p>The <code>/etc/shadow</code> file has a unique format in which the entries are entered and saved when new users are created.</p><table><tr><td>htb-student:</td><td>\$y\$j9T\$3QSBB6CbHEu...SNIP...f8Ms:</td><td>18955:</td><td>0:</td><td>99999:</td><td>7:</td><td>:</td><td>:</td></tr><tr><td><username>:</td><td><encrypted password>:</td><td><day of last change>:</td><td><min age>:</td><td><max age>:</td><td><warning period>:</td><td><inactivity period>:</td><td><expiration date>:</td></tr></table><p>The encryption of the password in this file is formatted as follows:</p><table><tr><td>\$ <id></td><td>\$ <salt></td><td>\$ <hashed></td></tr><tr><td>\$ y</td><td>\$ j9T</td><td>\$ 3QSBB6CbHEu...SNIP...f8Ms</td></tr></table></div><div><div>/etc/passwd => fields</div><div><p>Djerbien@htb[/htb]\$ cat /etc/passwd</p><p>...SNIP...</p><p>htb-student:x:1000:1000:,,,:/home/htb-student:/bin/bash</p><table><tr><td>htb-student:</td><td>x:</td><td>1000:</td><td>1000:</td><td>,,,:</td><td>/home/htb-student:</td><td>/bin/bash</td></tr><tr><td><username>:</td><td><password>:</td><td><uid>:</td><td><gid>:</td><td><comment>:</td><td><home directory>:</td><td><cmd executed after logging in></td></tr></table><p>The <code>x</code> in the password field indicates that the encrypted password is in the <code>/etc/shadow</code> file. However, the redirection to the <code>/etc/shadow</code> file does not make the users on the system invulnerable because if the rights of this file are set incorrectly, the file can be manipulated so that the user <code>root</code> does not need to type a password to log in. Therefore, an empty field means that we can log in with the username without entering a password.</p></div></div><div>Windows</div><div>LSASS</div><div><div>%SystemRoot%\System32\Lsass.exe</div><div>This service is responsible for the local system security policy, user authentication, and sending security audit logs to the Event log.</div><div>SAM Database</div><div><div>%SystemRoot%/system32/config/SAM</div> is mounted on <div>HKLM/SAM.</div></div></div></div></div>	htb-student:	\$y\$j9T\$3QSBB6CbHEu...SNIP...f8Ms:	18955:	0:	99999:	7:	:	:	<username>:	<encrypted password>:	<day of last change>:	<min age>:	<max age>:	<warning period>:	<inactivity period>:	<expiration date>:	\$ <id>	\$ <salt>	\$ <hashed>	\$ y	\$ j9T	\$ 3QSBB6CbHEu...SNIP...f8Ms	htb-student:	x:	1000:	1000:	,,,:	/home/htb-student:	/bin/bash	<username>:	<password>:	<uid>:	<gid>:	<comment>:	<home directory>:	<cmd executed after logging in>
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- If the system has been assigned to a **workgroup**, it handles the **SAM database** locally and stores all existing users locally in this database.
- However, if the system has been joined to a **domain**, the Domain Controller (DC) must validate the credentials from the Active Directory database (ntds.dit), which is stored in **%SystemRoot%\ntds.dit**.

Credential Manager

PS **C:\Users\[Username]\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Vault\Credentials**

Credential Manager is a feature built-in to all Windows operating systems that **allows users to save the credentials they use to access various network resources and websites**. Saved credentials are stored based on user profiles in each user's **Credential Locker**. Credentials are **encrypted** and **stored** in the path above

There are various methods to decrypt credentials saved using Credential Manager. We will practice hands-on with some of these methods in this module.

NITDS

Each Domain Controller hosts a file called NTDS.dit that is kept synchronized across all Domain Controllers with the exception of Read-Only Domain Controllers. NTDS.dit is a database file that stores the data in Active Directory, including but not limited to:

- User accounts (**username & password hash**)
- Group accounts
- Computer accounts
- Group policy objects

John the ripper

Cracking Modes

Single Crack Mode is one of the most common John modes used when attempting to crack passwords using a single password list. **It is a brute-force attack**, meaning **all passwords on the list are tried, one by one, until the correct one is found**.

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$ john --format=<hash_type> <hash or hash_file>
$ john --format=sha256 hashes_to_crack.txt
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When we run the command, John will read the hashes from the specified file, and then it will try to crack them **by comparing them to the words in its built-in wordlist** and **any additional wordlists** specified with the **--wordlist** option. Additionally, It will use any rules set with the **--rules** option (if any rules are given) to generate further candidate passwords.

John will output the cracked passwords to the console and the file **"john.pot" (~/.john/john.pot)** to the current user's home directory

Hash Format	Example Command	Description
Afs	john --format=afs hashes_to_crack.txt	AFS (Andrew File System) password hashes
Bfegg	john --format=bfegg hashes_to_crack.txt	bfegg hashes used in Eggdrop IRC bots
Bf	john --format=bf hashes_to_crack.txt	Blowfish-based crypt(3) hashes
Bsdi	john --format=bsdi hashes_to_crack.txt	BSDi crypt(3) hashes
crypt(3)	john --format=crypt hashes_to_crack.txt	Traditional Unix crypt(3) hashes
Des	john --format=des hashes_to_crack.txt	Traditional DES-based crypt(3) hashes
Dmd5	john --format=dmd5 hashes_to_crack.txt	DMD5 (Dragonfly BSD MD5) password hashes
Dominosec	john --format=dominosec hashes_to_crack.txt	IBM Lotus Domino 6/7 password hashes
EPiServer SID hashes	john --format=episerver hashes_to_crack.txt	EPiServer SID (Security Identifier) password hashes
Hdaa	john --format=hdaa hashes_to_crack.txt	hdaa password hashes used in Openwall GNU/Linux
hmac-md5	john --format=hmac-md5 hashes_to_crack.txt	hmac-md5 password hashes

Hmailserver	john --format=hmailserver hashes_to_crack.txt	hmailserver password hashes
lpb2	john --format=lpb2 hashes_to_crack.txt	Invision Power Board 2 password hashes
Krb4	john --format=krb4 hashes_to_crack.txt	Kerberos 4 password hashes
Krb5	john --format=krb5 hashes_to_crack.txt	Kerberos 5 password hashes
LM	john --format=LM hashes_to_crack.txt	LM (Lan Manager) password hashes
lotus5john	--format=lotus5 hashes_to_crack.txt	Lotus Notes/Domino 5 password hashes
Mscash	john --format=mscash hashes_to_crack.txt	MS Cache password hashes
Mscash2	john --format=mscash2 hashes_to_crack.txt	MS Cache v2 password hashes
Mschapv2	john --format=mschapv2 hashes_to_crack.txt	MS CHAP v2 password hashes
Mskrb5	john --format=mskrb5 hashes_to_crack.txt	MS Kerberos 5 password hashes
Mssql05	john --format=mssql05 hashes_to_crack.txt	MS SQL 2005 password hashes
Mssql	john --format=mssql hashes_to_crack.txt	MS SQL password hashes
mysql-fast	john --format=mysql-fast hashes_to_crack.txt	MySQL fast password hashes
Mysql	john --format=mysql hashes_to_crack.txt	MySQL password hashes
mysql-sha1	john --format=mysql-sha1 hashes_to_crack.txt	MySQL SHA1 password hashes
NETLM	john --format=netlm hashes_to_crack.txt	NETLM (NT LAN Manager) password hashes
NETLMv2	john --format=netlmv2 hashes_to_crack.txt	NETLMv2 (NT LAN Manager version 2) password hashes
NETNTLM	john --format=netntlm hashes_to_crack.txt	NETNTLM (NT LAN Manager) password hashes
NETNTLMv2	john --format=netntlmv2 hashes_to_crack.txt	NETNTLMv2 (NT LAN Manager version 2) password hashes
NEThalfLM	john --format=nethalfm hashes_to_crack.txt	NEThalfLM (NT LAN Manager) password hashes
Md5ns	john --format=md5ns hashes_to_crack.txt	md5ns (MD5 namespace) password hashes
Nsldap	john --format=nsldap hashes_to_crack.txt	nsldap (OpenLDAP SHA) password hashes
Ssha	john --format=ssha hashes_to_crack.txt	ssha (Salted SHA) password hashes
NT	john --format=nt hashes_to_crack.txt	NT (Windows NT) password hashes
Openssha	john --format=openssha hashes_to_crack.txt	OPENSSH private key password hashes
Oracle11	john --format=oracle11 hashes_to_crack.txt	Oracle 11 password hashes
Oracle	john --format=oracle hashes_to_crack.txt	Oracle password hashes
Pdf	john --format=pdf hashes_to_crack.txt	PDF (Portable Document Format) password hashes
phpass-md5	john --format=phpass-md5 hashes_to_crack.txt	PHPass-MD5 (Portable PHP password hashing framework) password hashes
Phps	john --format=phps hashes_to_crack.txt	PHPS password hashes
pix-md5	john --format=pix-md5 hashes_to_crack.txt	Cisco PIX MD5 password hashes
Po	john --format=po hashes_to_crack.txt	Po (Sybase SQL Anywhere) password hashes
Rar	john --format=rar hashes_to_crack.txt	RAR (WinRAR) password hashes
raw-md4	john --format=raw-md4 hashes_to_crack.txt	Raw MD4 password hashes
raw-md5	john --format=raw-md5 hashes_to_crack.txt	Raw MD5 password hashes
raw-md5-unicode	john --format=raw-md5-unicode hashes_to_crack.txt	Raw MD5 Unicode password hashes
raw-sha1	john --format=raw-sha1 hashes_to_crack.txt	Raw SHA1 password hashes
raw-sha224	john --format=raw-sha224 hashes_to_crack.txt	Raw SHA224 password hashes
raw-sha256	john --format=raw-sha256 hashes_to_crack.txt	Raw SHA256 password hashes
raw-sha384	john --format=raw-sha384 hashes_to_crack.txt	Raw SHA384 password hashes

raw-sha512	john --format=raw-sha512 hashes_to_crack.txt	Raw SHA512 password hashes
salted-sha	john --format=salted-sha hashes_to_crack.txt	Salted SHA password hashes
Sapb	john --format=sapb hashes_to_crack.txt	SAP CODVN B (BCODE) password hashes
Sapg	john --format=sapg hashes_to_crack.txt	SAP CODVN G (PASSCODE) password hashes
sha1-gen	john --format=sha1-gen hashes_to_crack.txt	Generic SHA1 password hashes
Skey	john --format=skey hashes_to_crack.txt	S/Key (One-time password) hashes
Ssh	john --format=ssh hashes_to_crack.txt	SSH (Secure Shell) password hashes
Sybasease	john --format=sybasease hashes_to_crack.txt	Sybase ASE password hashes
Xsha	john --format=xsha hashes_to_crack.txt	xsha (Extended SHA) password hashes
Zip	john --format=zip hashes_to_crack.txt	ZIP (WinZip) password hashes

Tool	Description
Pdf2john	Converts PDF documents for John
Ssh2john	Converts SSH private keys for John
Mscash2john	Converts MS Cash hashes for John
Keychain2john	Converts OS X keychain files for John
Rar2john	Converts RAR archives for John
Pfx2john	Converts PKCS#12 files for John
truecrypt_volume2john	Converts TrueCrypt volumes for John
Keepass2john	Converts KeePass databases for John
Vncpcap2john	Converts VNC PCAP files for John
Putty2john	Converts PuTTY private keys for John
Zip2john	Converts ZIP archives for John
Hccap2john	Converts WPA/WPA2 handshake captures for John
Office2john	Converts MS Office documents for John
Wpa2john	Converts WPA/WPA2 handshakes for John

More tools can be found using ;

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$ locate *2john*

$ <tool> <file_to_crack> > file.hash

$ pdf2john server_doc.pdf > server_doc.hash

$ john server_doc.hash
# OR
$ john --wordlist=<wordlist.txt> server_doc.hash
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