

Red Team

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▼ 1. Passive Recon

▼ Definition

- attempt to gain info about targeted computers and networks without actively engaging with the systems

▼ Tools

▼ Google Hacking/Dorking

- Filter:
 - site: - results on this site
 - filetype: - results with this file-type
 - inurl: - results with this term in url
 - intitle: - results with this term in the title
- Operators:
 - FILTER_OR_TERM - exclude this
 - (FILTERS_OR_TERMS) - group these filters and/or terms
 - FILTER | FILTER - results for this or this, can use OR instead of |
 - FILTER AND FILTER - results that meet both this and this

▼ theharvester

- finding emails from an org
- open source tool for acquiring emails from different major resources

▼ whois

- domain registration, track record of ownership
- info includes registrar, name server and, sometimes, full contact info

▼ netcraft

- hording website of info regarding any particular website
- info includes general background, networking, DNS, tracking info, CDNs, CMS, and more

▼ recon-ng

- can be used for both passive and active

- module load <module_name>
options list
options set <option_name value>
run

▼ Summary

- passive recon relies on being able to gather info about the target without directly contacting the target
- can gather info through whois and other large DBs that acquire info about particular sites
- tools such as recon-ng and theharvester allow us to gain some pertinent info including potential email targets for our future exploit
- don't forget to check all different sources including GitHub when searching for info and misconfig
- Basic methodology:
info gathering
gaining initial access
priv esc
post exploitation

▼ 2. Active Recon

▼ Definition

- type of computer attack in which an intruder engages with the targeted system to gather info about vulns

▼ Understanding the target

- -machine or network?
-how many machines on the network?
-which machines should i target to find out info about the network?
-which machines will give me the most access to the rest of the network?
-which machines are the lowest hanging fruit?
- -lets write a bash script to find out which machines are on this network
-lets write a bash script to find out which machines are running web servers on default TCP port 80

▼ nmap

- -Be aware of how much data your scans can use
-Be aware of how long scans can take
-Always start minimum then expand

- Use cases:
 - check machines available on network
 - check ports open on a machine
 - enumerate services and versions that are running on any particular machine
 - determine OS and other metadata
 - run scripts that check if the machine is vulnerable against particular attacks
 - so much more

▼ key options

- -p
search a particular set of ports on targets, -p- for all ports
- -O
enable OS detection
- -sV
probe open ports to determine service/version info
- --script=
run a particular script against target(s)
- -Pn
treat all hosts as if they're online
- -sU
perform UDP scan
- -A
enable OS detection, version detection, script scanning, and traceroute

▼ DNS enumeration

- -consider DNS servers to be first thought when accessing a local network
 - ping prods can be disabled on any particular machine and firewalls may prevent access
 - getting a true network map is essentially like putting all of your targets on a silver platter
 - many tools here: host, dig, nslookup, dnsenum, dnsrecon, and more
- -what we want: a DNS server willing to give us all the info regarding available hosts on a network
 - what do we need: the domain name and DNS server

▼ Service Enumeration

▼ SMB

- -Operates on TCP 139, 445
 - allows comms between multiple machines and serves up info pertaining to password policies, usernames, group names, machine names, user and host SIDs and more

- good service if authenticated, if not - we are able to this maliciously
- enum4linux = tool for enumerating info from Windows and Samda systems

▼ SMTP

- -server often used to send mail
- -supports several commands such as VRFY and EXPN
- -good tools = python scripts and smtp-user-enum

▼ SNMP

- -UDP based
- -overlooked in machines since we tend to focus on TCP switches
- -management info base (MIB)
- -sometimes uses default community string
- -MID values correspond to certain SNMP params
- -can use onesixtyone and snmpwalk

▼ Web Enumeration

- -enumerate available paths/URLs on a website by using dirbuster and nikto
- tools:
 - gobuster/dirbuster
 - nikto
 - burp suite
 - curl
 - your eyes and thoughts

▼ gobuster

- gobuster dir -u URL -w WORDLIST (x32 - 2018-)
- dirb URL wordlist

to start, use the command, dirbuster

- nikto
- niklto - h URL

▼ Summary

- with active recon, we are throwing our first pokes at our target
- be aware how we are poking and what effect this may have on the system
- look for particular services that we can further enumerate for more information

▼ 3. Shells & Payloads

▼ Shells

- user interface for access to an OS's services

- ▼ Types:
 - Bash, Zsh, Sh, Web shells, shells through other services, interactive shells
 - command prompt
#Meterpreter
- ▼ Payloads
 - the executable code, often contains a shell
 - Shell payloads:
 - BIND - shell to be shared is bound by the listener, we are responsible for connecting to it
 - REVERSE - shell to be shared is bound by the connector, we are responsible for opening a port and listening for an incoming connection
 - with nc, use -e option
 - ▼ Generation:
 - Target OS, target architecture, type of payload, type of shell, destination of file execution, connection type
 - OS:
 - Win, Lin, OSX, Unix, Android, IOS
 - Arch:
 - x86, x64
 - ▼ Root
 - Windows Executable
 - Linux Elf
 - Bash
 - Web Service / Other Network Service
 - ▼ Types
 - ▼ Unstaged
 - -entire payload is sent at one time
 - can be caught by nc or metasploit
 - generate a ton of traffic
 - fairly eas to detect by firewall or AC
 - ▼ Staged
 - -payloads are initially incomplete
 - require mechanism to distribute remainder of payload over time
 - good for avoiding AV and firewall detection
 - must be caught my metasploit
- ▼ msfvenom

- -p
set a payload
-p linux/x64/shell_reverse_tcp
- -f
output format/file type
elf, exe, py, c, etc
- LPORT=
ip of port to connect back to on connecting machine or IP of port to open on
host machine (bind shells)
- LHOST=
ip of machine to connect back to (usually your IP address)
- --list
list options in a particular category
--list payloads

▼ Summary

- active recon = poking target
- be aware how poking is impacting the system/network
- look for services to further enum for more info

▼ 4. Web

▼ Fundamental Concerns

▼ Authentication

- trusting that someone is who they say they are

▼ Communication

- transferring data through potentially unreliable middlemen

▼ Authorization

- giving resource access to the right people

▼ Control

- limiting or understanding the capabilities of agents

▼ OWASP Top 10

▼ injection

▼ server-side code exec

- -assume attacker is non-admin client
- -defense vulnerable if client can execute code on a server

- ▼ broken authentication
 - ▼ allows for impersonation
 - identity theft
 - assume attacker has access to middlemen and db
 - defense vulnerable if comm or storage exposes passwords
- ▼ XSS
 - ▼ client-side code execution
 - ▼ -assume attacker is non-admin client
 - defense vulnerable if client can execute code on another client
 - stored and reflected
 - Stored

persistent XSS, is the more damaging of the two, It occurs when a malicious script is injected directly into a vulnerable web application, the application instead stores the input and embeds it into a later response in an unsafe way
 - Reflected

reflecting of a malicious script off of a web application, onto a user's browser, when an application takes some input from an HTTP request and embeds that input into the immediate response in an unsafe way
 - ▼ direct reference
 - access control can be circumvented
 - ▼ security misconfig
 - ▼ vulnerable default/inherited settings
 - -assume attacker has access to codebase
 - defense is vulnerable if secrets are easy to discover, files are improperly shared
 - bad stuff: app impersonation, decryption
 - ▼ data exposure
 - data is insecurely transmitted, stored, or overshared
 - ▼ missing access control
 - ▼ users can do things they shouldn't be allowed to do
 - -assume attacker is client
 - defense vulnerable if client can act outside of authorization
 - frontend access control = good UX
 - true access control come from backend, considerations: requested resource, requested action, agent making the request

- ▼ XSRF
 - ▼ abuse target website's trust in the browser
 - also known as one-click attack or session riding and abbreviated as CSRF or XSRF, is a type of malicious exploit of a website where unauthorized commands are submitted from a user that the web application trusts
 - ▼ vulnerable components
 - 3p tools are vulnerable
 - ▼ unvalidated redirects
 - abusible open-ended forwarding
- ▼ HTTPS
 - ▼ SSL(encryption + authentic server) = HTTPS
 - Authentic Server
 - has SSL cert
 - digitally signed
 - forms a web of trust
 - self-signed in development
- ▼ Good Auth
 - -comms are secure
 - -storage is secure
 - -cannot set priv via signup
 - -logging in requires username and pass
 - -data is not inadvertently shared
- ▼ Things to look for
 - ▼ Default creds
 - did i try admin admin?
 - ▼ request freedom
 - can i just try to upload a file with a post request?
 - ▼ improper authorization
 - can i just try to upload a file with a standard user account?
 - ▼ data over exposure
 - is there a way i can see something im not supposed to
 - ▼ injection opportunities
 - can i use any termination characters to attempt to write my own code?

- ▼ XSS opportunities

- can i write code that will impact another user?

- ▼ File Inclusion

- when the attack tricks web server into including and unintended file, file must be in a language the server speaks to be executed
 - purpose
 - allows attacker to access sensitive files and execute malicious code

- ▼ Two types

- LFI - included file is hosted on the web server
 - RFI - included file is hosted remotely (anywhere)
 - RFI example
 - attacker injects malicious script to webapp
 - malicious code is executed from attacker's website
 - server download malicious file from attacker's website
 - attacker gets control over the webapp

- ▼ SQLi

- ▼ common SQL keywords

- ▼ SELECT

- which COLUMNS to include in output table (shrinks results horizontally)

- ▼ FROM

- which TABLE to pull data from

- ▼ JOIN

- another TABLE to glue/concatenate to the output

- ▼ ON

- what COLUMNS must match when joining two tables

- ▼ WHERE

- which ROWS to include in the output table (shrinks the result vertically)

- ▼ **5. Attacks**

- ▼ Passwords

- ▼ Hashing

- plain text > hash function > hashed text

- -one-way functions
- DBs and other password storage mediums should hash their passwords
- good hash funcs avoid collisions, have high entropy, and involve salting
- SHA
- NTLM
- LM
- MD
- can gather password hashed and try to crack them
- ▼ Attack methods
 - ▼ Brute Force
 - -tries a pass, compares to hash
 - can be used against salted passwords
 - works for local and remote
 - small (computed at run time)
 - can take a very long time
 - ▼ Rainbow table
 - -list of pre-computed hashes linking password to hash
 - potentially extremely large
 - very quick with a big enough list
 - can NOT be used against salted passwords
- ▼ tools
 - ▼ Wordlists
 - rockyou.txt
 - cewl
 - crunch
 - ▼ Crackers
 - john
 - hashcat
 - hydra
 - medusa
 - ▼ Rainbows
 - crackstation.net
- ▼ Exploit finding & Metasploit
 - ▼ what are exploits?

- a piece of software, chunk of data, or a sequence of commands that takes advantage of a bug or vulnerability to cause unintended or unanticipated behavior to occur on computer software, hardware, or something electronic
- ▼ where can i find exploits?
 - exploitdb.com
 - searchsploit
 - google
 - metasploit
- ▼ ms
 - ▼ -comprehensive hacking framework consisting of thousands of modules
 - requires postgresql to cache exploits and improve performance
 - console run: msfconsole
 - postgres: service postgresql start
 - cache in the console: db_rebuild_cache
- ▼ composition
 - ▼ exploits
 - use search func, can also download modules online
 - ▼ auxiliary
 - -set of tasks that are generally not used to compromise systems
 - can be used to verify, check, soft/hard test, scope out, and more
 - over 1000 aux modules
 - ▼ post
 - -generally use post exploitation
 - can assist in recon or escalation
 - additional tools
- ▼ Command format
 - ▼ use
 - load a module into ms
 - ▼ exploit
 - launch a module
 - ▼ show
 - show some particular thing within ms, show payloads, show options
 - ▼ set

- set a value of an option within ms
- ▼ sessions
 - bring up list off current sessions within ms

▼ 6. Priv Esc

- ▼ act of exploiting a bug, design flaw, or config oversight in an os or app to gain elevated access to resources that are normally protected from an app or user
 - -use everything found in recon
 - pay attention to versions
 - transfer helper tools over to your machine
/use/share/windows-resources
 - upgrade to a meterpreter shell
 - find writeable directories:
lin: /tmp
win: %TEMP% , %PUBLIC%
- ▼ compiling exploits
 - ▼ many written in C or C++, generally dont just find .exe or .elf laying around
 - be aware of how exploit is written, read instructions for compilation from exploit, was is written originally from lin or win? do you need dos2unix?
 - how do we compile?
linux - gcc or g++
win - ARCH-ming32-gcc or ARCH-ming32-g++
apt update && apt upgrade
install mingw-w64
- ▼ general techniques
 - ▼ kernel exploit
 - typically involves making a syscall with arguments designed specially to cause unintended behavior, despite the syscall attempting to only allow valid arguments
 - ▼ often intended result is spawning a root shell
 - can also affect certain kernel defenses (modify permissions or /etc/shadow)
 - helps to check for missing patches: wmic qme get Caption, Description, HotFixID, InstalledOn
 - ▼ service exploit
 - ▼ takes advantage of a service that is running with higher permissions

- can i run certain services with higher privs?
- linux
 - sudo -l (also check /etc/groups)
- win
 - net localgroup administrators
- ▼ this service can be running already or started as another user with a SUID bit
 - trick the service into doing something it shouldnt
 - lin
 - ps aux
 - win
 - tasklist
- ▼ pass dumping / cracking / reuse
 - pwddump/fgdump/secretsdump
 - pass the hash
- ▼ mimikatz
 - priv escalate
 - more modules at the github
- ▼ data leaking
 - did you look in all of the .xtx/.doc/.docx/.pdf files?
 - ▼ did you look for cookies or stores passwords?
 - Windows: C:
 - \Users\username\AppData\Roaming\Microsoft\Windows\Cookies
 - Metasploit: enum_ie, enum_crome
 - did you look at all of the log files you can see?
 - did you look for config files (.conf), data files (.json / .xml), or initialization files (.sql)?
 - ▼ did you try locally connecting to the db?
 - use built-in mysql command, maybe there is just a username and no password?
- ▼ misconfigured permissions
 - ▼ did you check which apps you can run without a password?
 - did you check what programs have an SUID bit set as root?

- on windows: icacLS
- ▼ process hijacking (usually win only)
 - ▼ attempt to gain control of a service that has higher permissions
 - unquoted service path
 - HotPotato / JuicePotato
- ▼ Powershell
 - Empire
 - ▼ PowerUp
 - powershell.exe -exec bypass
 - Import-Module .\PATH-TO-FILE\PowerUp.ps1
 - Invoke-AllChecks