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Dancing machine tier (0) HackTheBox

Question: What does the 3-letter acronym SMB stand for?

Answer: server message block

Question: What port does SMB use to operate at?

Answer: 445

I did a scan on the target machine to see what port was the smb service running. Nmap –sV <TargetIp>. 445 was the port from where the SMB service was running on my target.



Question: What is the service name for port 445 that came up in our Nmap scan?

Answer: microsoft-ds



Question: What is the 'flag' or 'switch' that we can use with the smbclient utility to 'list' the available shares on Dancing?

Answer: -L

Question: How many shares are there on Dancing?

Answer: 4

I used the smbclient tool on my kali attacker machine smbclient –L <TargetIp> was the command I used. There were 4 shares.

Question: What is the name of the share we are able to access in the end with a blank password?

Answer: WorkShares

The **WorkShares** share is the most likely to be vulnerable. This is because.

- It is user-created and could have weaker or misconfigured permissions.
- If anonymous or guest access is allowed, attackers could exploit it to read or write data without authentication.

Question: What is the command we can use within the SMB shell to download the files we find?

Answer: get

I used this command smbclient //10.129.221.195/WorkShares to connect to the share. Then used ls command to list all the files and directories. Cd command to navigate through the file system and get command to download files to my attacker machine.

Question: Root flag

Answer: 5f61c10dffbc77a7

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(kali@ kali)-[~/Desktop]
flag.txt

[ (kali@ kali)-[~/Desktop]
5f5ic1otffbc77a704d76016a22f1664

[ (kali@ kali)-[~/Desktop]
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04d76016a22f1664

I then used cat command to view the contents of the flag.txt file Retrieved.